

Chapter 1

Sequential Logic

1.1 Latches and Flip-flops

Latches and flip-flops are fundamental building blocks in digital electronics used for storing binary information.

These bistable devices have two stable states, representing either a binary 0 or 1.

1.2 SR Latch

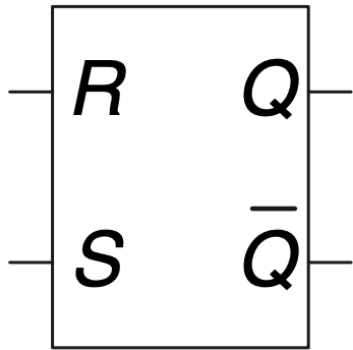
The SR (Set-Reset) Latch is a simple storage device that holds one bit of data.

It features:

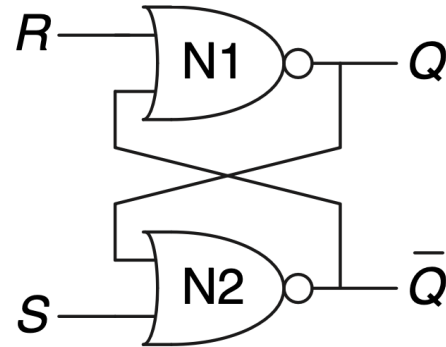
- Two inputs: S (Set) and R (Reset)
- Two outputs: Q and Q'
- Function: Set input sets output to 1, Reset input resets output to 0

Note:-

Avoid simultaneous activation of S and R to prevent undefined states



(a) SR Latch Symbol



(b) SR Latch Schematic

1.3 D Latch

The D (Data or Delay) Latch captures input at specific times.

Key characteristics include:

- Single data input (D) and a clock input
- When clock is active: Output Q follows input D
- When clock is inactive: Output Q holds its last state

Note:-

D Latches are useful for data synchronization

1.4 D Flip-flop

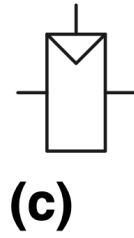
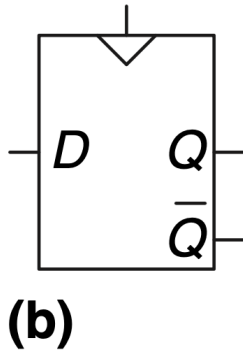
The D Flip-flop is an edge-triggered device ideal for synchronous circuits.

Characteristics include:

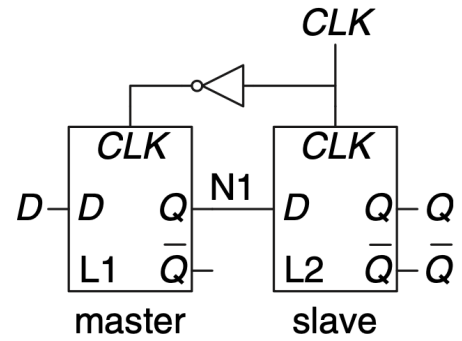
- Changes state only at clock signal edge (rising or falling)
- Captures D input value at clock edge
- Holds value until next clock edge

Note:-

D Flip-flops ensure precise timing in digital systems



(a) D Flip-flop Symbol



1.5 Register

A Register is composed of multiple flip-flops and is used to store and manipulate data.

Features include:

- Stores multiple bits of data
- Applications: data storage, transfer, and manipulation
- Configurable for operations like shifting, loading, and clearing

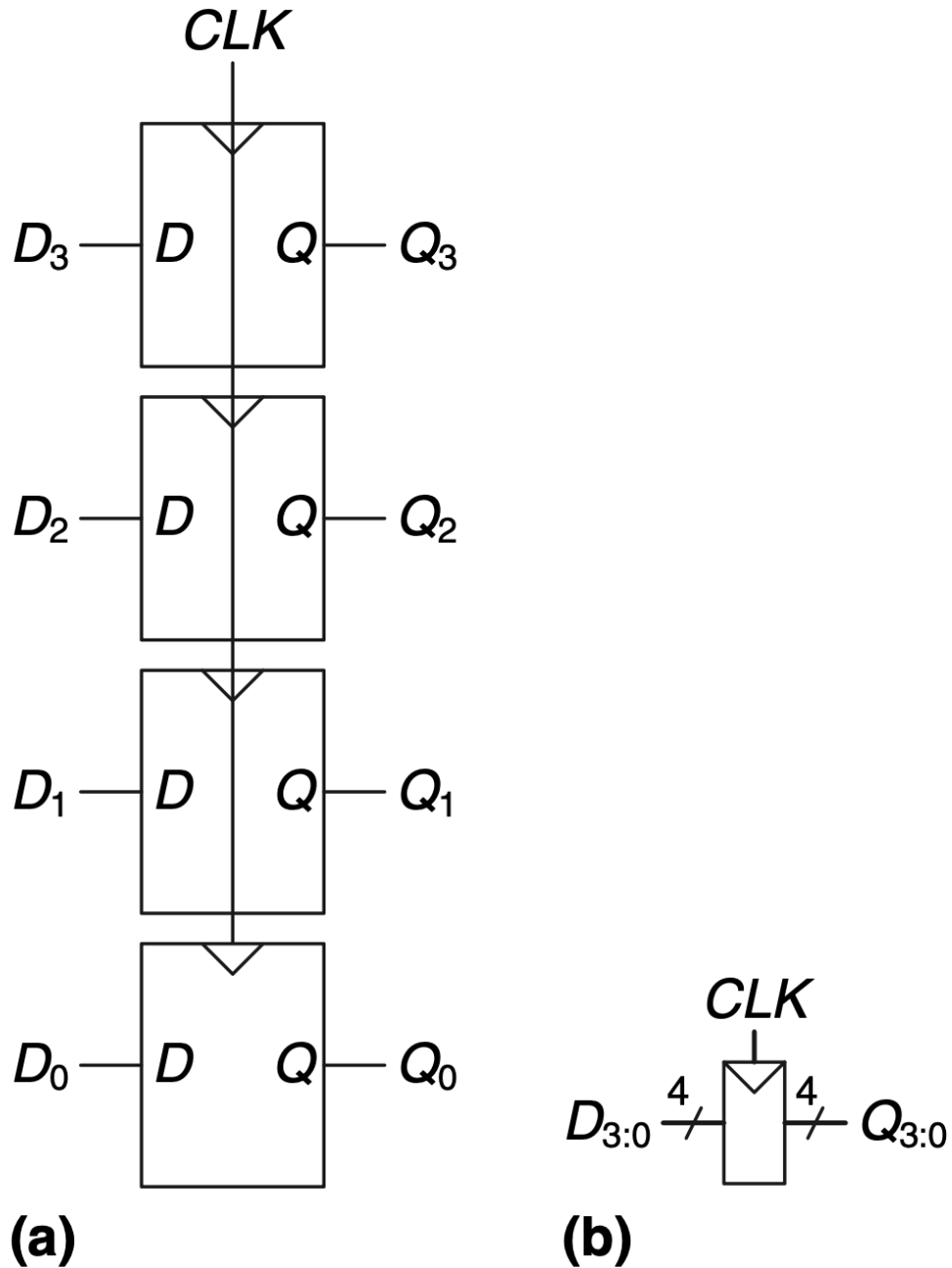


Figure 1.3: Register Schematic and Symbol

1.6 Enabled Flip-flop

The Enabled Flip-flop adds control over data acceptance.

It includes:

- An enable input

- Enable active: Captures input data at clock edge
- Enable inactive: Retains current state regardless of input

1.7 Resettable Flip-flop

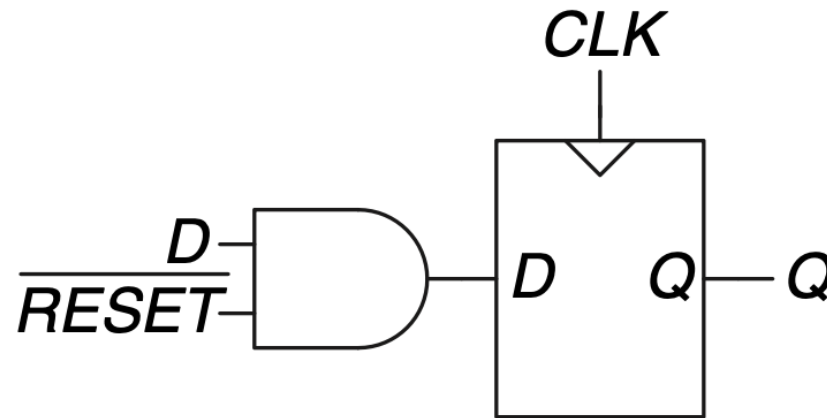
A Resettable Flip-flop allows forced state changes.

It features:

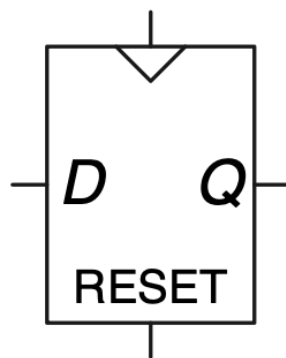
- A reset input
- Can force flip-flop to a known state (typically 0)

Note:-

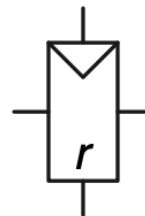
Resettable Flip-flops are useful for circuit initialization during power-up or specific conditions



(a)



(b)



(c)

Figure 1.4: Resettable Flip-flop Schematic and Symbol

1.8 Counter

Counters are sequential circuits for tracking events.

Characteristics include:

- Progresses through predetermined state sequence
- Implemented using flip-flops
- Can count up, down, or in specific patterns

Note:-

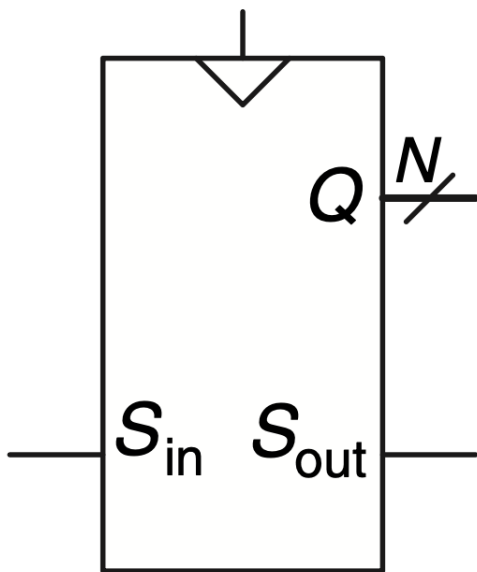
Counters are used for event occurrence counting

1.9 Shift Register

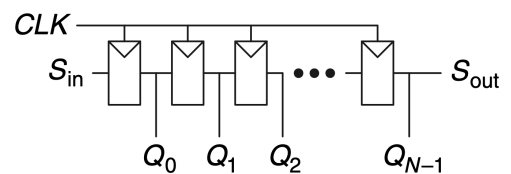
Shift Registers enable serial data manipulation.

Features include:

- Allows serial shifting of data in or out
- Composed of flip-flops in a chain
- Applications: data storage, transfer, and format conversion



(a) Shift Register Symbol



(b) Shift Register Schematic

1.9.1 Scan Chains

Scan Chains are crucial for digital circuit testing.

They are:

- Series of flip-flops connected in a chain
- Enables shifting of test data into and out of the circuit

Note:-

Scan Chains are used to test internal circuit states and ensure correct operation