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LAB 3 : SYNCHRONOUS DIGITAL COUNTER

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Lab #3

Identifying the Properties of a Synchronous Counter

A. Aims

- 1) Expose the student with experience on constructing synchronous counter circuit using Flip-Flop IC, Basic Gate ICs, Breadboard and ETS-5000 Digital Kit.
- 2) Promote critical thinking among students by analysing the given circuit and identifying the behaviour of the digital circuit.

B. Objectives

The objectives of this lab activity are to:

- 1) Implement a synchronous counter circuit into physical circuit using Breadboard, Flip-Flops, Basic Gates and Switches.
- 2) Completing the next-state table of the counter circuit.
- 3) Sketch the state diagram of the counter circuit.
- 4) Identify the properties of the counter.

C. Materials And Equipment

Materials and equipment required for this lab are as follows:

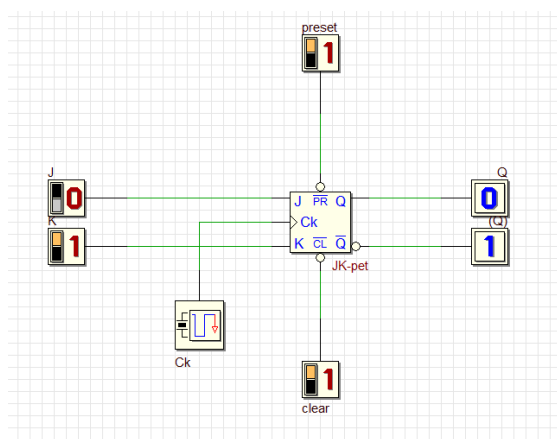
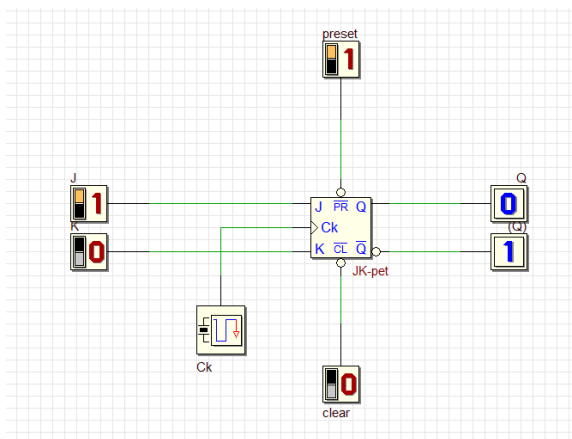
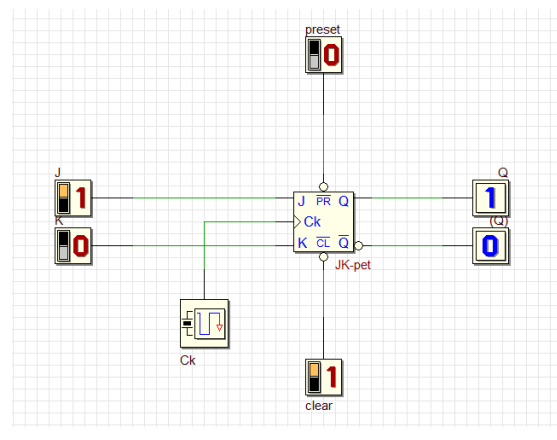
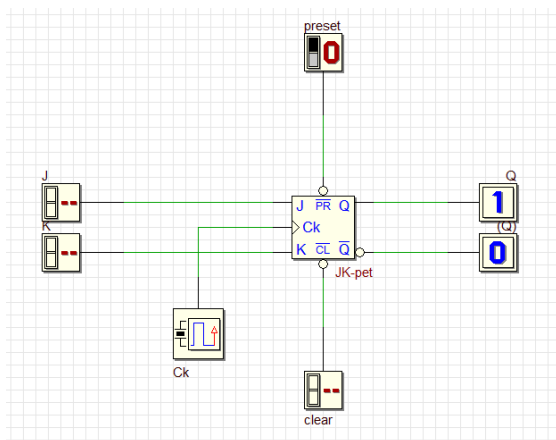
Item Name	Number of Item
1. Breadboard	1
2. 7408 Quad 2-Input AND	1
3. 7404 Hex Inverter	1
4. 7432 Quad 2-input OR	1
5. 7476 Dual J-K Flip Flop	1
6. ETS-5000 Digital Kit	1

D. Preliminary Works

- 1) Determine the logic level for each input combinations in Table 1 so that the desired result can be realized.

Table 1

Desired Result	$\overline{PRE}$	$\overline{CLR}$	J	K	CLK	Q
Set initial value Q = 1	0	1	X	X	--	1
Output Q stays the same	1	1	0	0	↓	1
Output Q become 0, no change in asynchronous input	1	1	0	1	↓	0
Output Q is not the previous Q	1	1	1	1	↓	1
RESET Q	1	1	0	1	↓	0
SET Q	1	1	1	0	↓	1



2) Answer all questions.

a) Which state that JK flip-flop has, but not on SR flip-flop.

Invalid state in SR flip-flop when ($S=1, R=1$) is transformed into toggle state when ($J=1, K=1$)

JK flip-flop has toggle state which is not present in SR flip-flop.

b) Identify whether the JK flip flop in 7476, is a positive-edge triggered or negative-edge triggered flip flop.

The JK flip flop in 7476 is negative-edge triggered flip flop.

E. Lab Activities

1) You are given a counter circuit as shown in Figure 4.

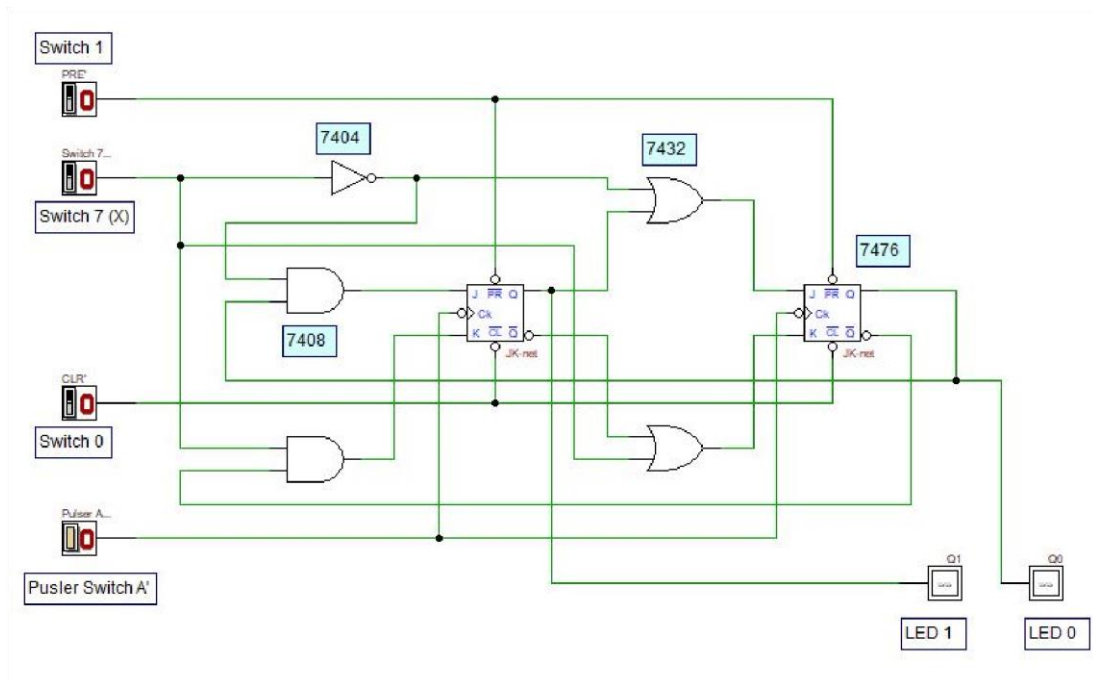
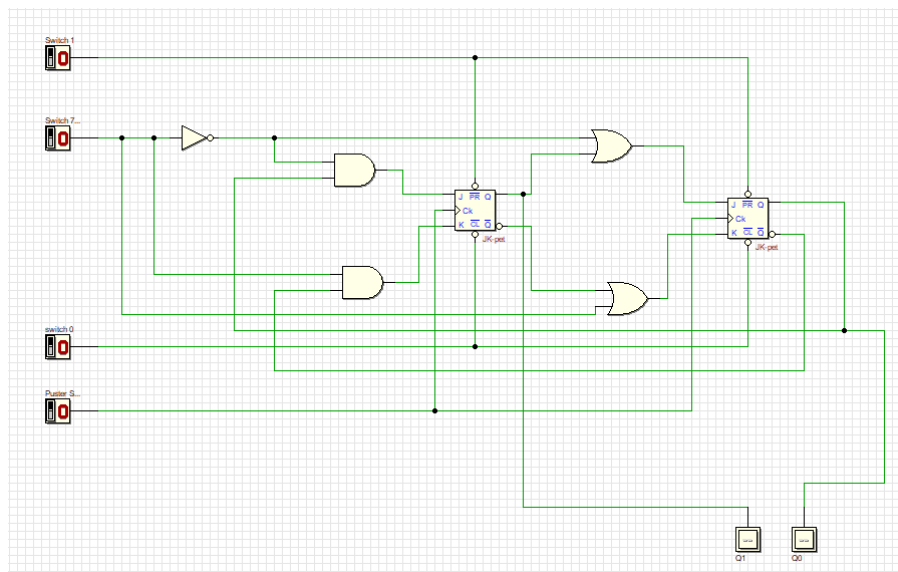


Figure 4: A Synchronous Counter Circuit

2) By using all materials and equipment's listed in section C, construct the physical circuit of Figure 4. (Make sure all ICs are connected to Vcc and GND).

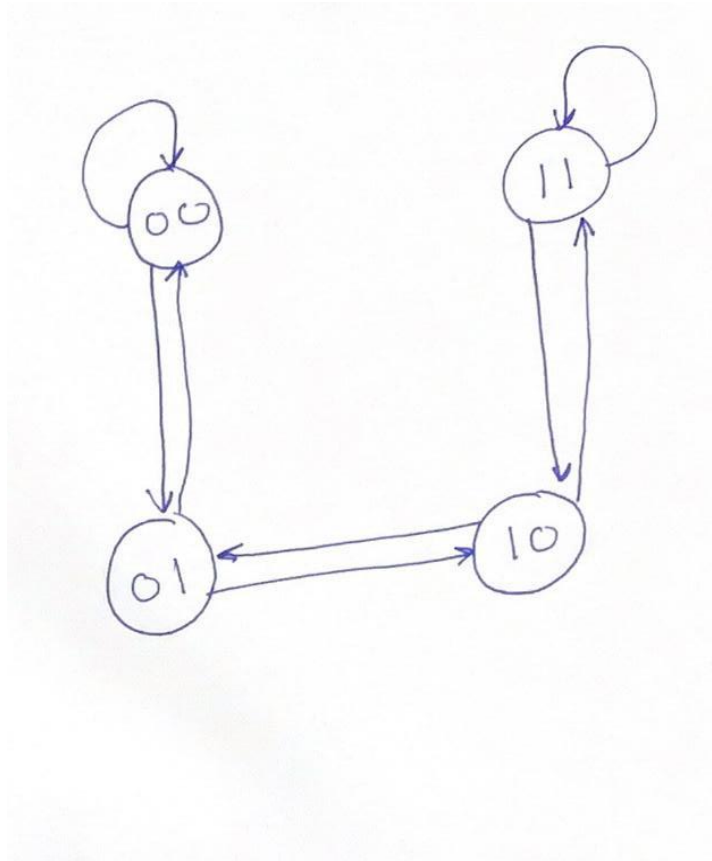


- 3) Investigate the behaviour of the counter by observing the next state of the counter for all combination of *Present State* and *X* values. Complete the *NextState* table of the counter in Table 2. Ensure the Switch 0 is in HIGH state.
(0=LOW, 1=HIGH)

Table 2

Switch 7	Present State		Next State	
X	Q1 LED 1	Q0 LED 0	Q1 LED 1	Q0 LED 0
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	0

- 4) By referring to the *Next-State* in Table 2, sketch the state diagram of the counter.



5) By referring to the *Next-State* in Table 2 and the state diagram in (4), answer all questions.

a) What is the main indicator to decide that the counter is a synchronous counter?

The main indicator for the synchronous counter is the clock input of the Flip-Flops because they are all clocked together at the same time with the same clock signal. Due to this common clock pulse all output states switch or change simultaneously.

b) How many states are available for the counter and what are they?

four



change, no change,
reset, set

c) What is the function of Switch 7 (X) in the circuit?

Switch 7 shows if the counter is counting up or down

d) What is the function of Switch 0 and Switch 1 in the circuit?

Switch 0 $\longrightarrow$ reset (0,0) Switch 1 $\longrightarrow$ load the data (1,1)

e) Is the counter a saturated counter or recycle counter?

It is a saturated counter

6) Referring to state diagram in 4, draw and built a synchronous counter using D flip-flop.

a) Built the next state and transition table using the header in Table 3

Table 3

Input X	Present State		Next State		JK FF Transition	
	Q1	Q0	Q1+	Q0+	D1	D0
0	0	0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	0
0	1	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0	1	0

b) Get the optimized Boolean expression.

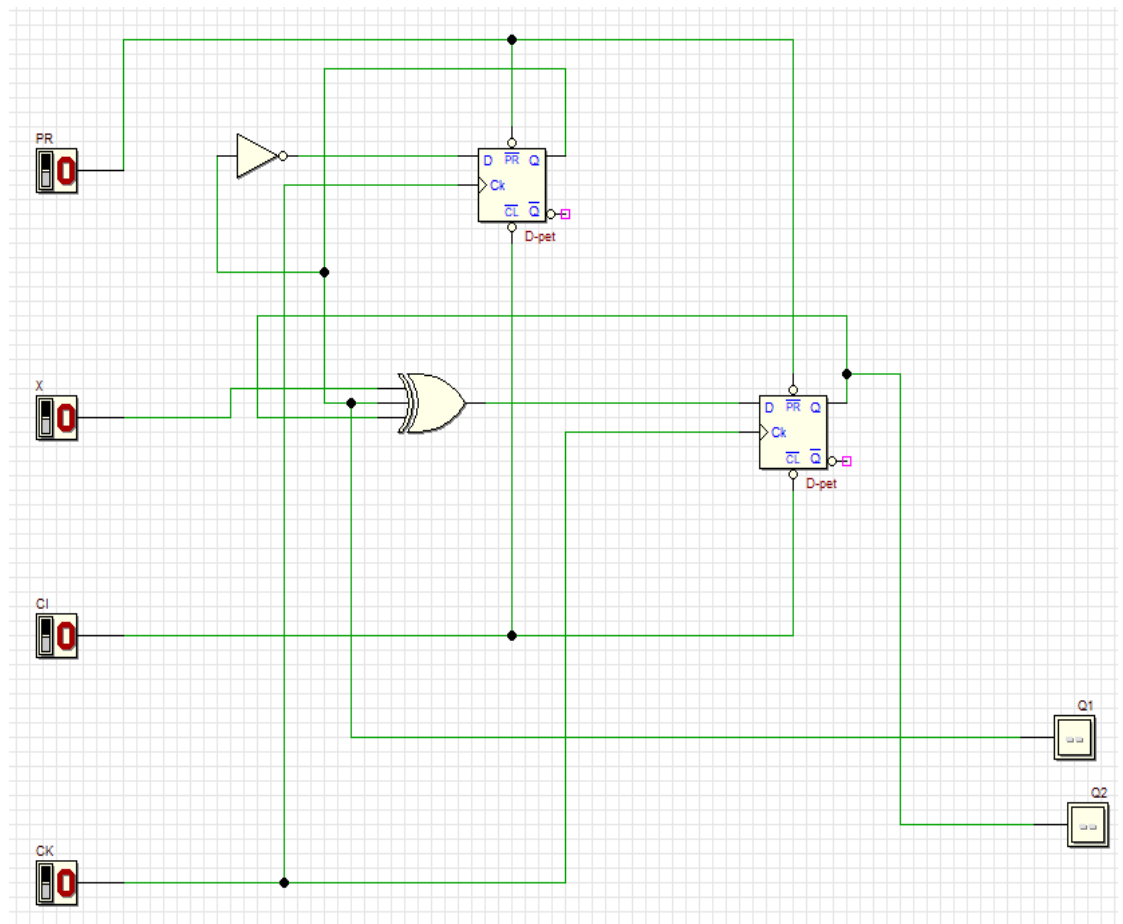
x\Q1Q0	00	01	11	10
0	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	0	1

$$D0 = Q0'$$

x\Q1Q0	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	1	0

$$D1 = X \oplus Q1 \oplus Q0$$

c) Draw the complete final circuit design in Deeds.



7) Repeat steps in Q(6) using T flip-flop.

Input X	Present State		Next State		JK FF Transition	
	Q1	Q0	Q1+	Q0+	D1	D0
0	0	0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	0	0	1
1	1	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	0	0	1

B) Get optimized Boolean expression

x\Q1Q0	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1

$$D0 = X' Q1 + xQ2$$

x\Q1Q0	00	01	11	10
0	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1

$$D1 = XQ1Q0$$

C) Draw the complete final circuit design in Deeds

