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CSE 2441 – Introduction to Digital Logic	Fall Semester 2012
Lab Number 7 An Introduction to Flip Flops	
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## AN INTRODUCTION TO FLIP-FLOPS

# (100 POINTS)

#### **PURPOSE/OUTCOMES:**

To study the logical characteristics of type D and type J-K flip-flops and their use in basic shift registers and counters. After completing this laboratory, you'll have an understanding of how D and JK flip-flops work and be able to design basic registers and counters.

### BACKGROUND:

Flip-flops and latches are used as memory devices in sequential logic circuits. The D and JK flip-flop are the most commonly used flip-flops in synchronous sequential circuits. The figures below show pin-out diagrams for SN7474 and SN7476 implementations of D and JK flip-flops, respectively. Note that each package contains two flip-flops and that each flip-flop has data inputs, D or JK, clock inputs, clear and preset inputs, and complementary outputs.



#### **PROCEDURE:**

Complete each of the exercises detailed below, and record your results and answers in your laboratory notebook. Have the lab instructor check your work after each part.

#### Part 1 – Learn the functionality of an SN7474 D Flip-flop.

Experimentally derive the state table of an SN7474 D flip-flop. Include the D, CK, PR, and CLR inputs in your table. Use Pulse Switch A of the IDL-800 to drive the clock (CK) input of the 7474.

## Part 2 – Learn the functionality of an SN7476 JK Flip-flop.

Experimentally derive the state table of an SN7476 JK flip-flop. Include the J, K, CK, PR, and CLR inputs in your table. Use Pulse Switch A of the IDL-800 to drive the clock (CK) input of the 7476.

## Part 3 – Implement a Basic Shift Register on the IDL 800 Using D Flip-flops.

- a. Complete construction of the circuit shown below.
- b. The circuit that you constructed is a simple 4-bit, serial-in, serial/parallel-out shift register. Develop a procedure for testing the circuit.
- c. Experimentally verify the functioning of the circuit using your test procedure.



## Part 4 – Implement a Four-Bit Twisted Ring Counter on the IDL 800.

A four-bit twisted-ring counter can be realized from the circuit constructed above by connecting the complemented output of the last stage flip flop to the D input of the first stage.

- a. Make the connection described above.
- b. Place the shift-register in the all-0 state. Then experimentally derive the state sequence of the circuit, i.e.,  $0000 \rightarrow 1000 \rightarrow 1100 \rightarrow 1110 \rightarrow 1111 \rightarrow \dots$ . List the complete sequence.
- c. Place the shift-register in a state not found in the sequence observed above.
- d. Experimentally verify the state sequence that results from this starting state. Record your results.
- e. Which of the above sequences represents the state sequence of a twisted-ring counter?
- f. How many states does an *n*-bit twisted-ring counter have?