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Is it divisible by 3?

Design a circuit that, given an input sequence of bits, determines whether the binary number represented by the input sequence received so far is divisible by 3.

The circuit reads a new binary digit every clock cycle, corresponding to the least significant digit of the number read so far. At each clock cycle, the circuit must assert signal d if the number formed by the sequence received so far is divisible by 3.

Cycle	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
in	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
d	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0

In cycle 2, the sequence received is 110; d is 1 because the binary number is divisible by 3. However, in cycle 5, the sequence received is 110100 and d is 0 because the binary number is not divisible by 3.

Specification

module div3(in, d, clk, rst);
input in, clk, rst;
output d;

Hint

Try not to store the entire binary number, because it might be infinitely long. Also remember that 0 is divisible by 3.

Input

- *clk* is the clock signal.
- *rst* is the synchronous reset signal.
- *in* receives the input sequence of digits.

Output

• *d* is the output that indicates when the received number is divisible by 3.

Problem information

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