



CS 240

Foundations of Computer Systems



Arithmetic Logic

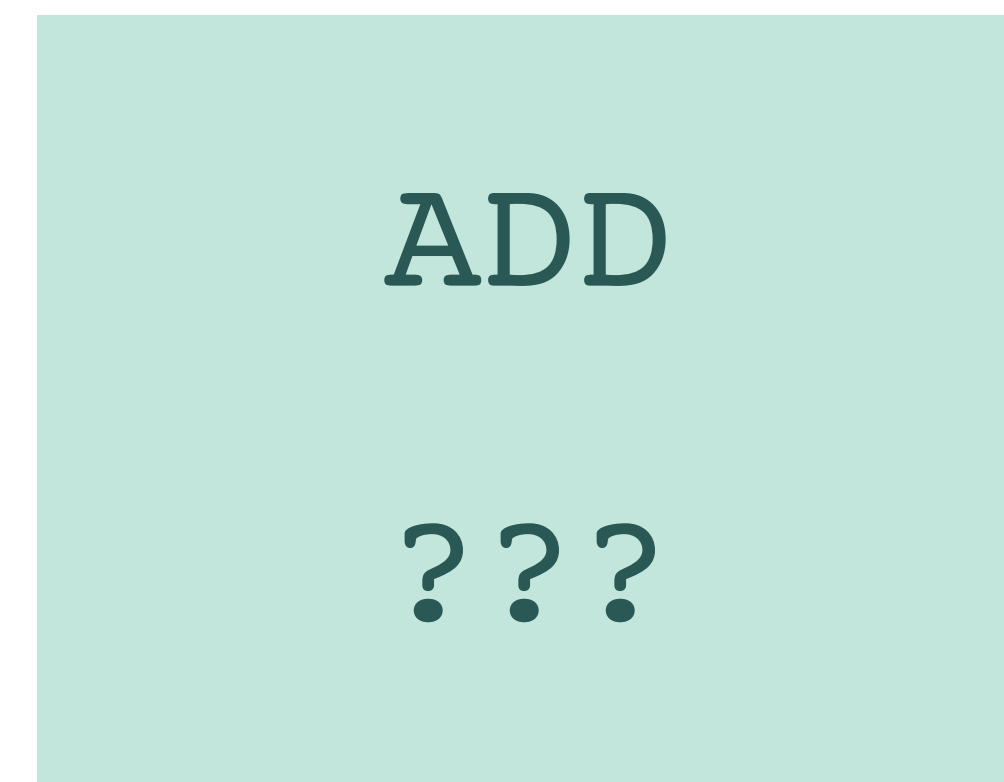
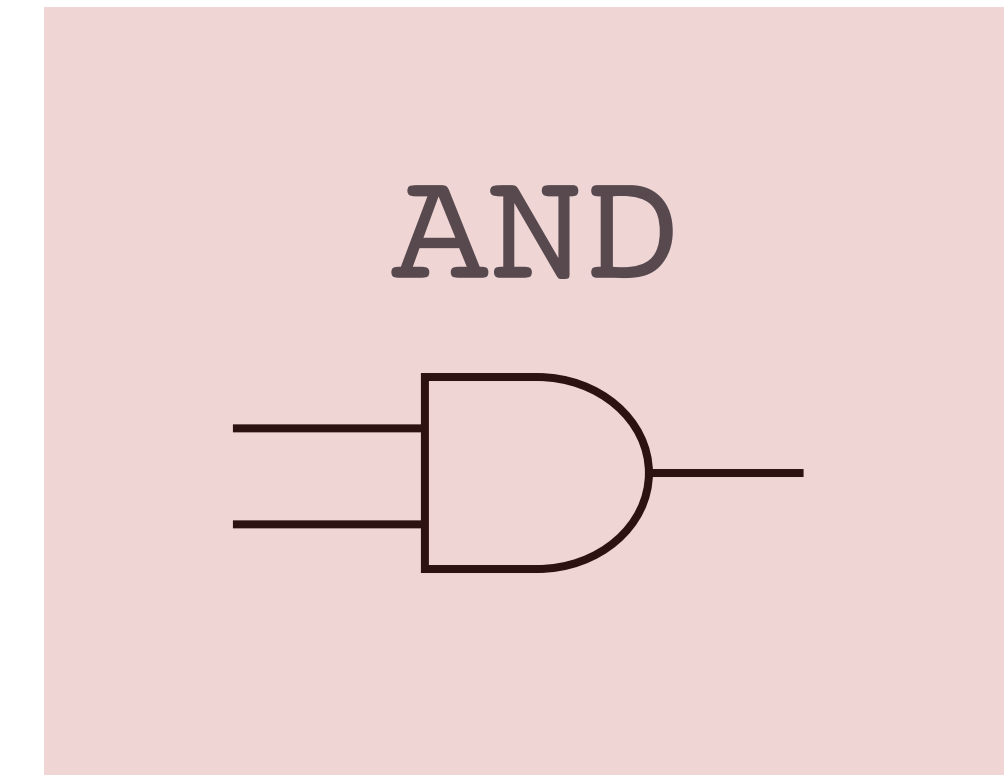
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Arithmetic Logic Unit

Implementing our carry algorithm
with hardware

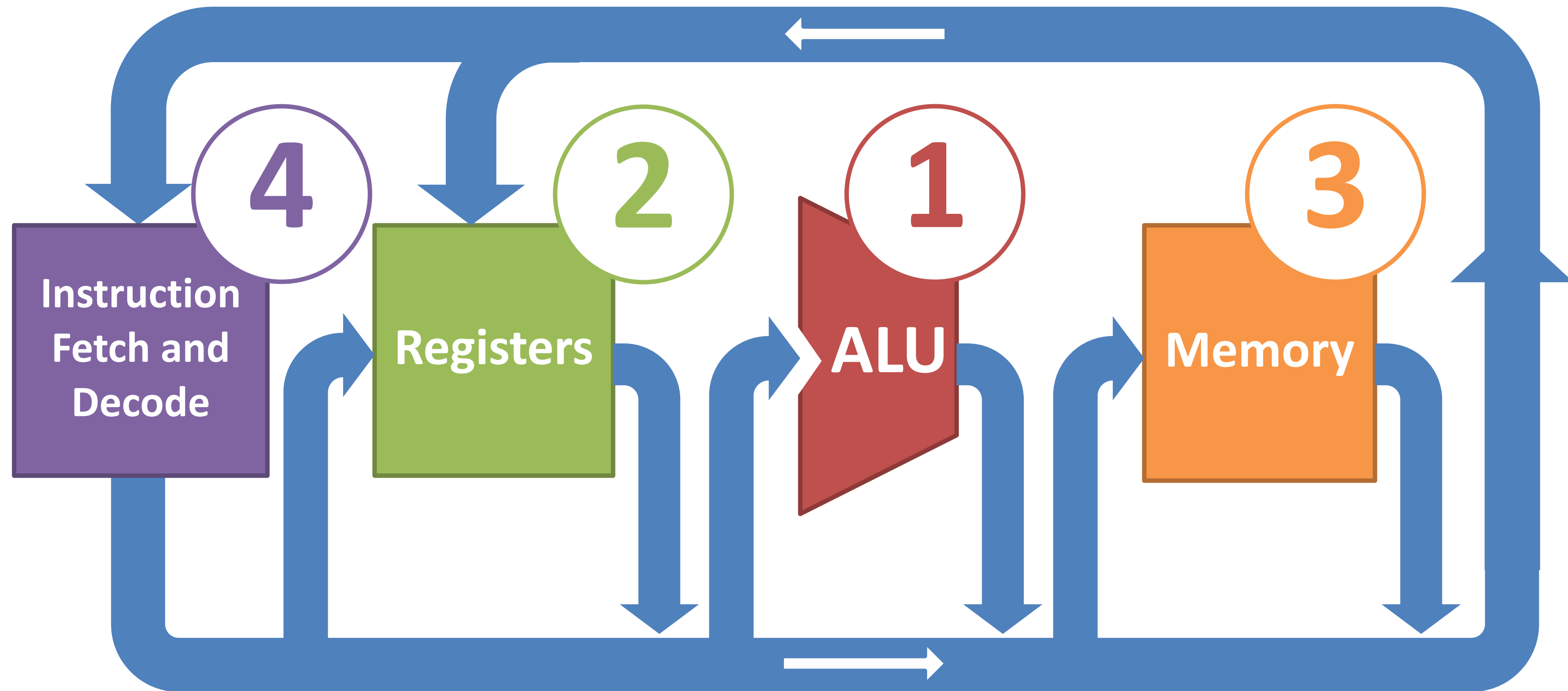
Motivation: how do we go from **code** to **gates**?

```
int count_odds(int array[10]) {  
    int count = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
        count += array[i] & 0x1;  
    }  
    return count;  
}
```



Processor Components

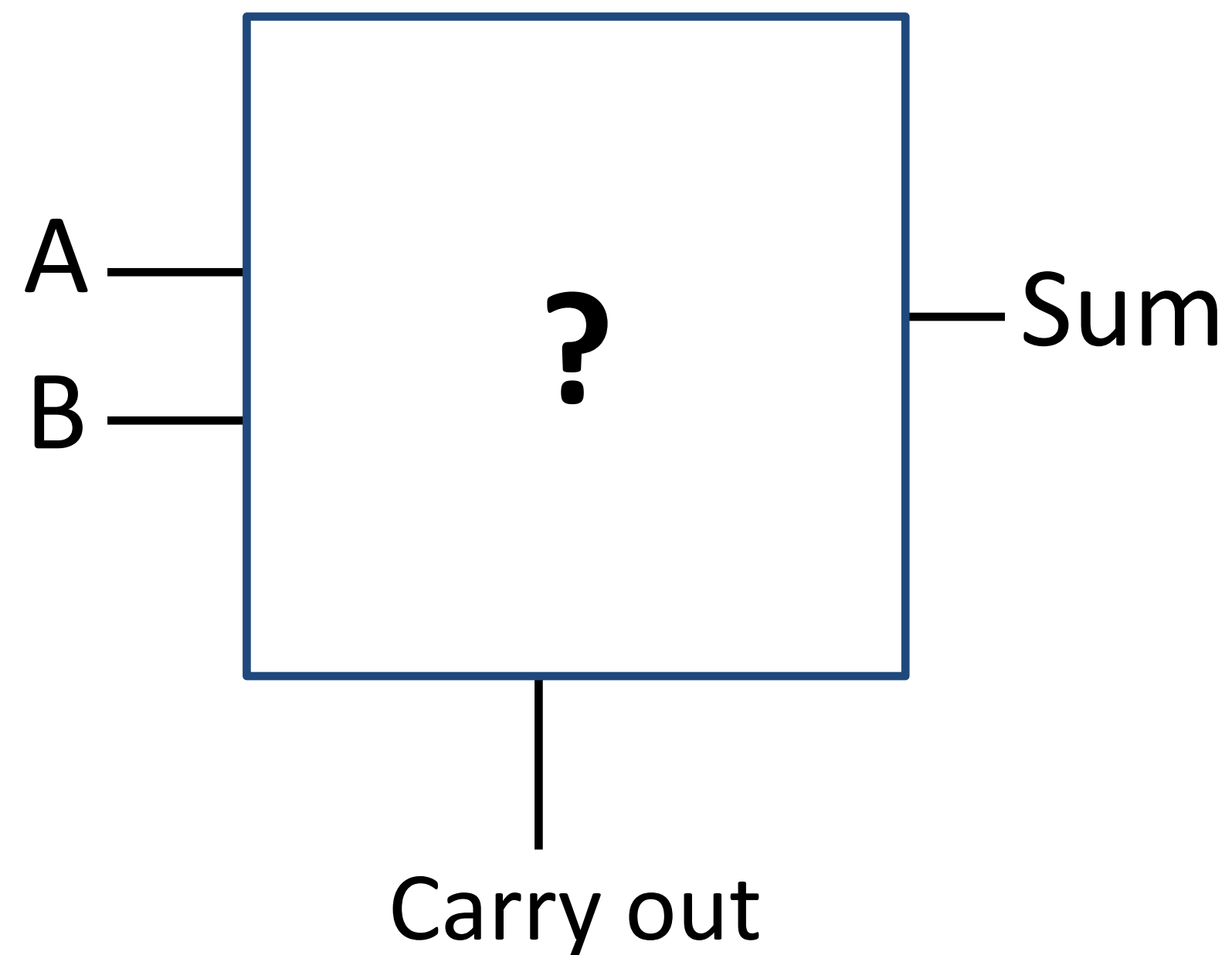
Abstraction!



Addition: 1-bit *half* adder

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Our carry algorithm requires this truth table when there is no carry in.
How can we build this with gates?



A	B	Carry Out	Sum
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

Hint: the smallest solution uses 2 gates from: AND, OR, XOR, NOT, NAND, NOR

Which two gates match "Carry Out" and "Sum", respectively?

✓ 0

AND; NAND

AND; XOR

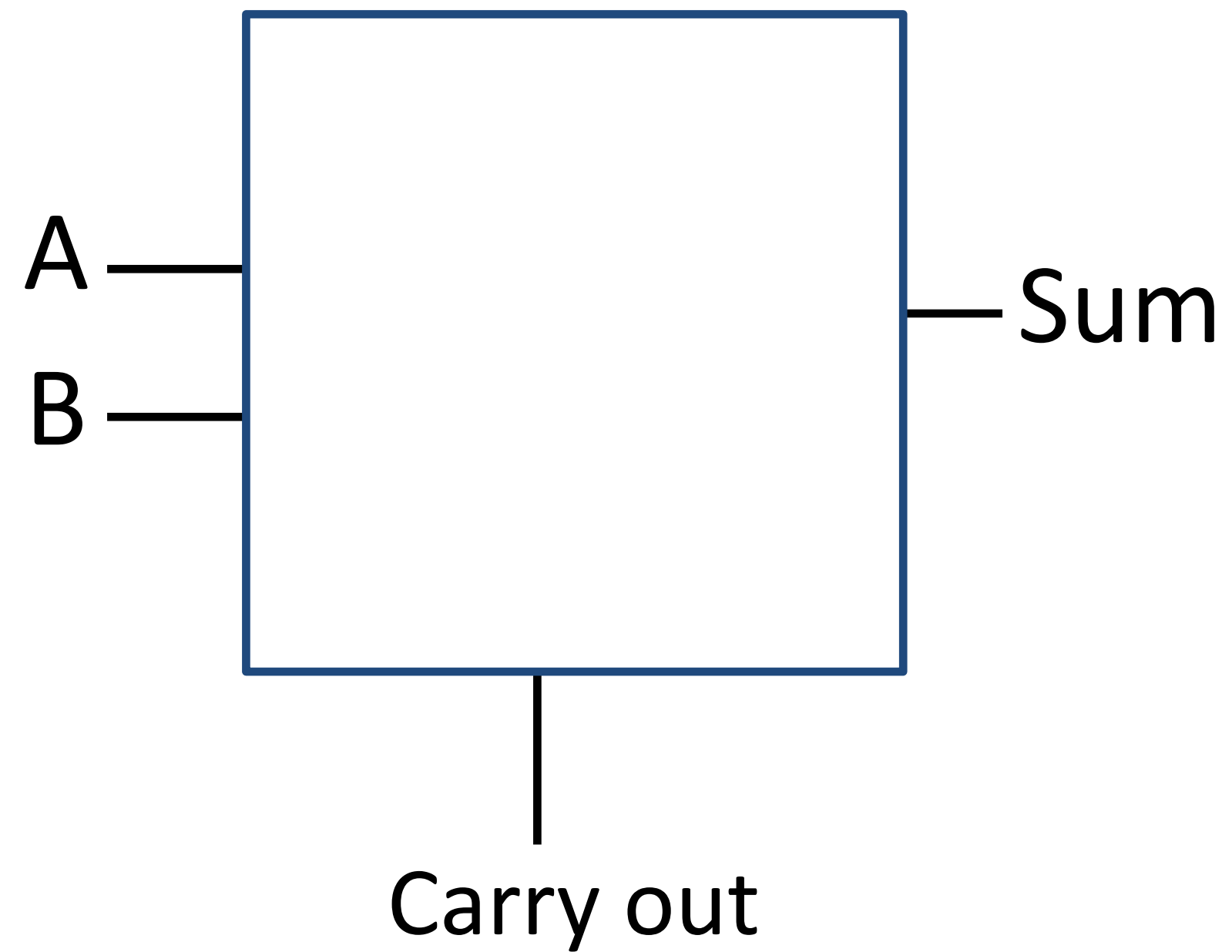
OR; NOR

OR; NAND

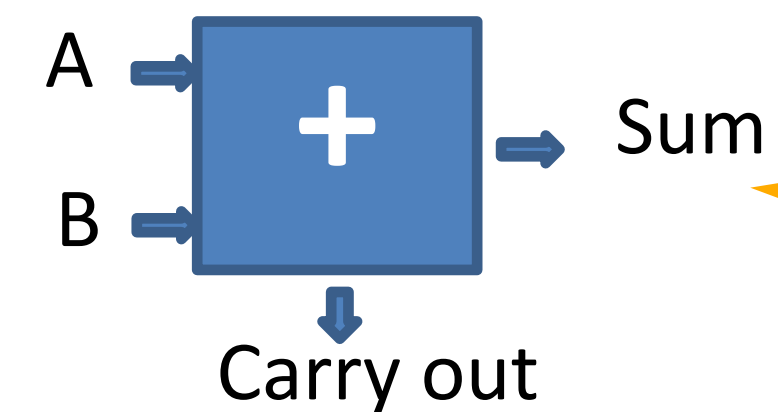
None of the above

Addition: 1-bit *half* adder

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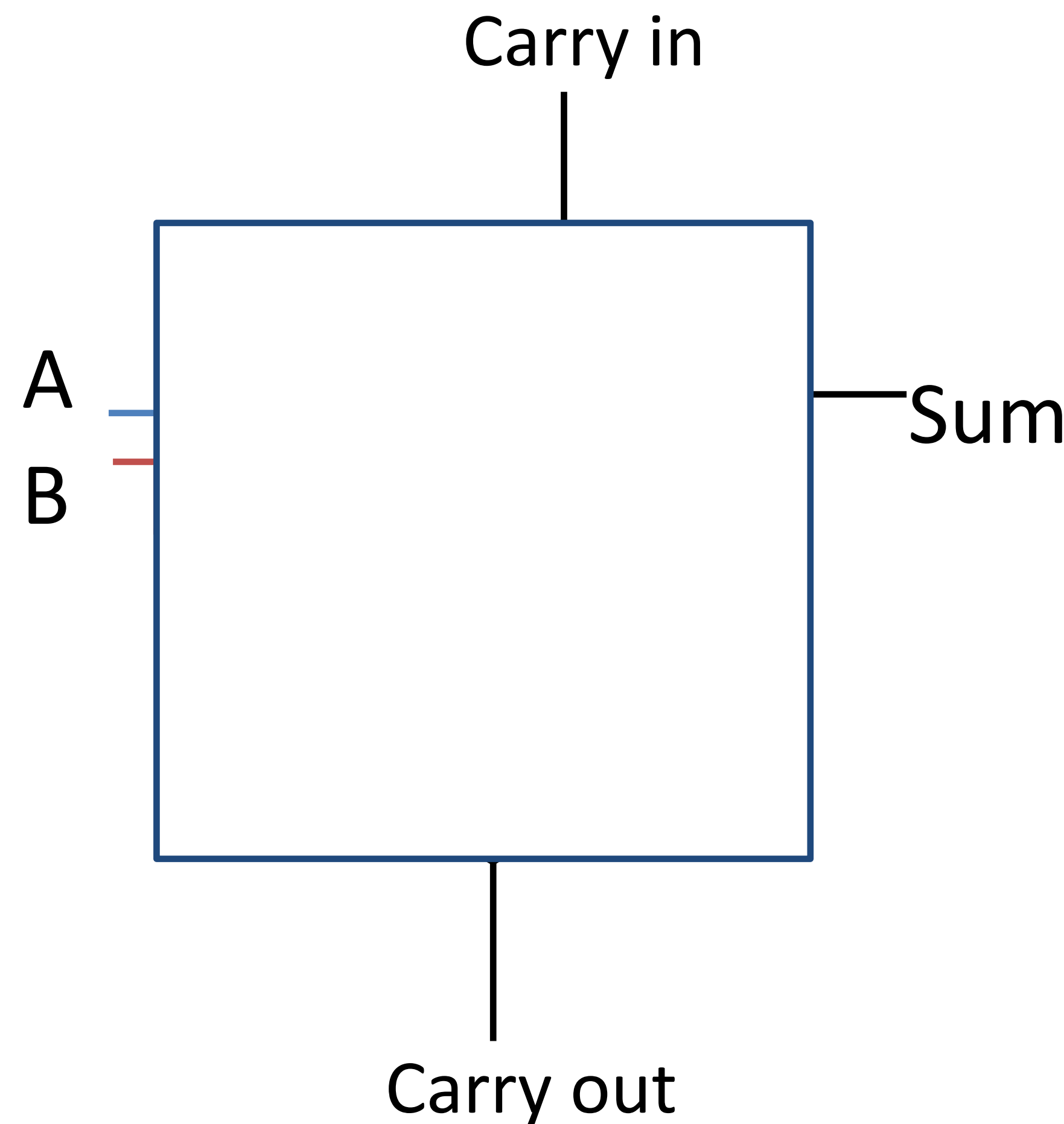
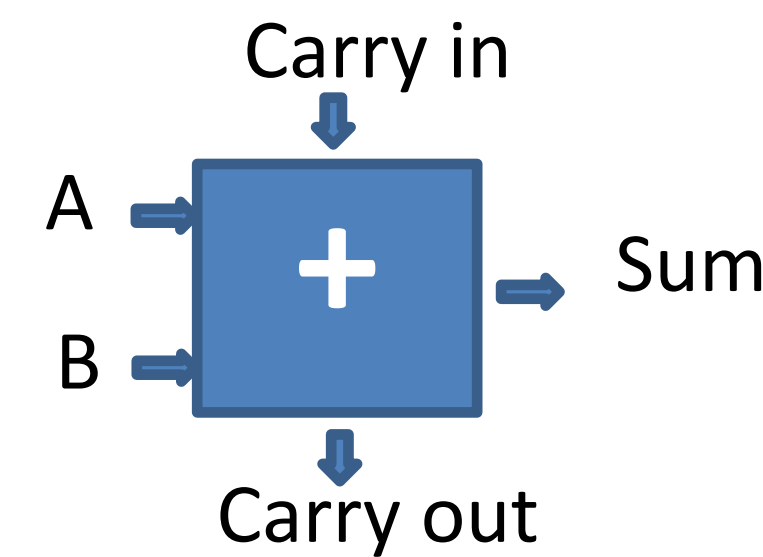
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0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0



Abstraction!

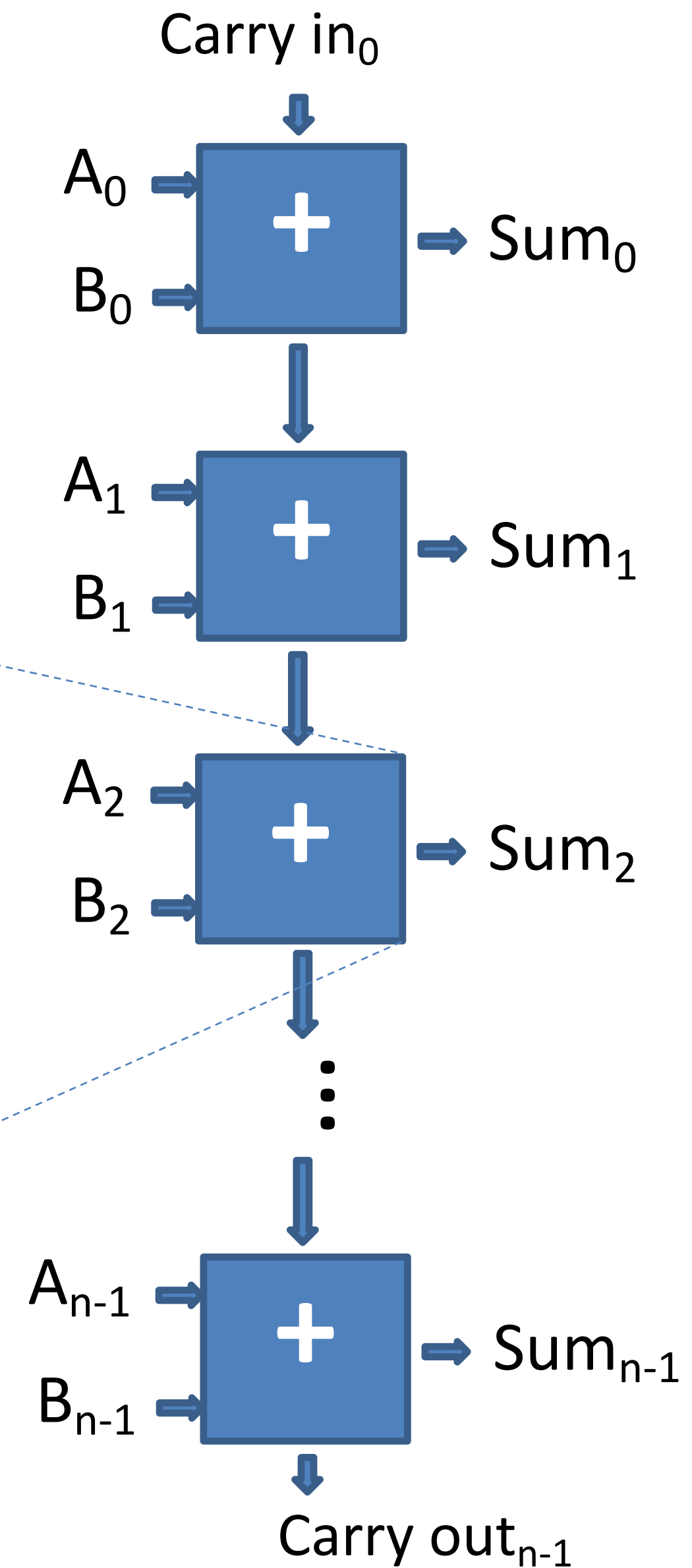
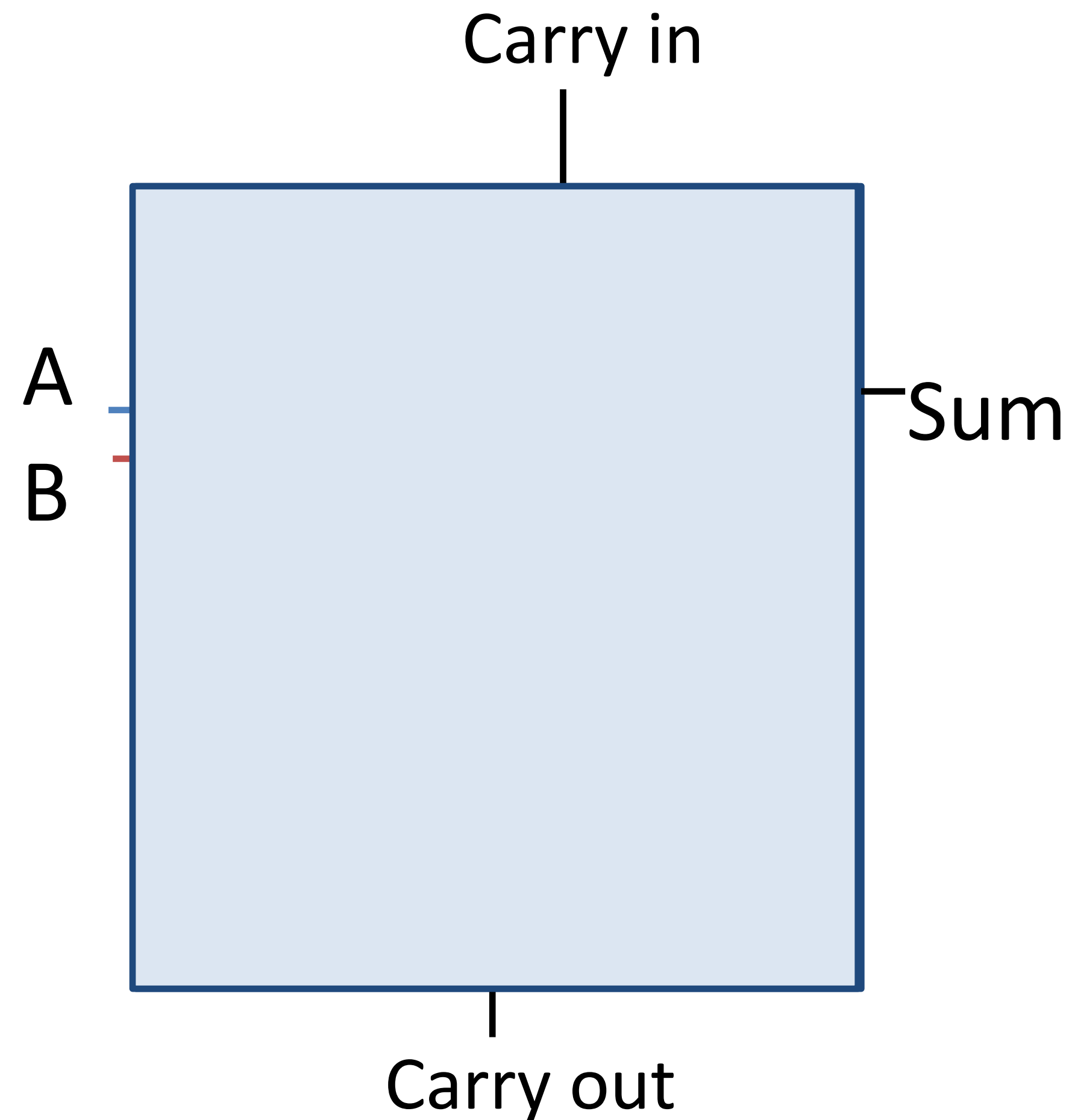
Addition: 1-bit *full* adder

What about when there *is* a carry in?



Carry in	A	B	Carry Out	Sum
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1

Addition: *n*-bit *ripple-carry* adder

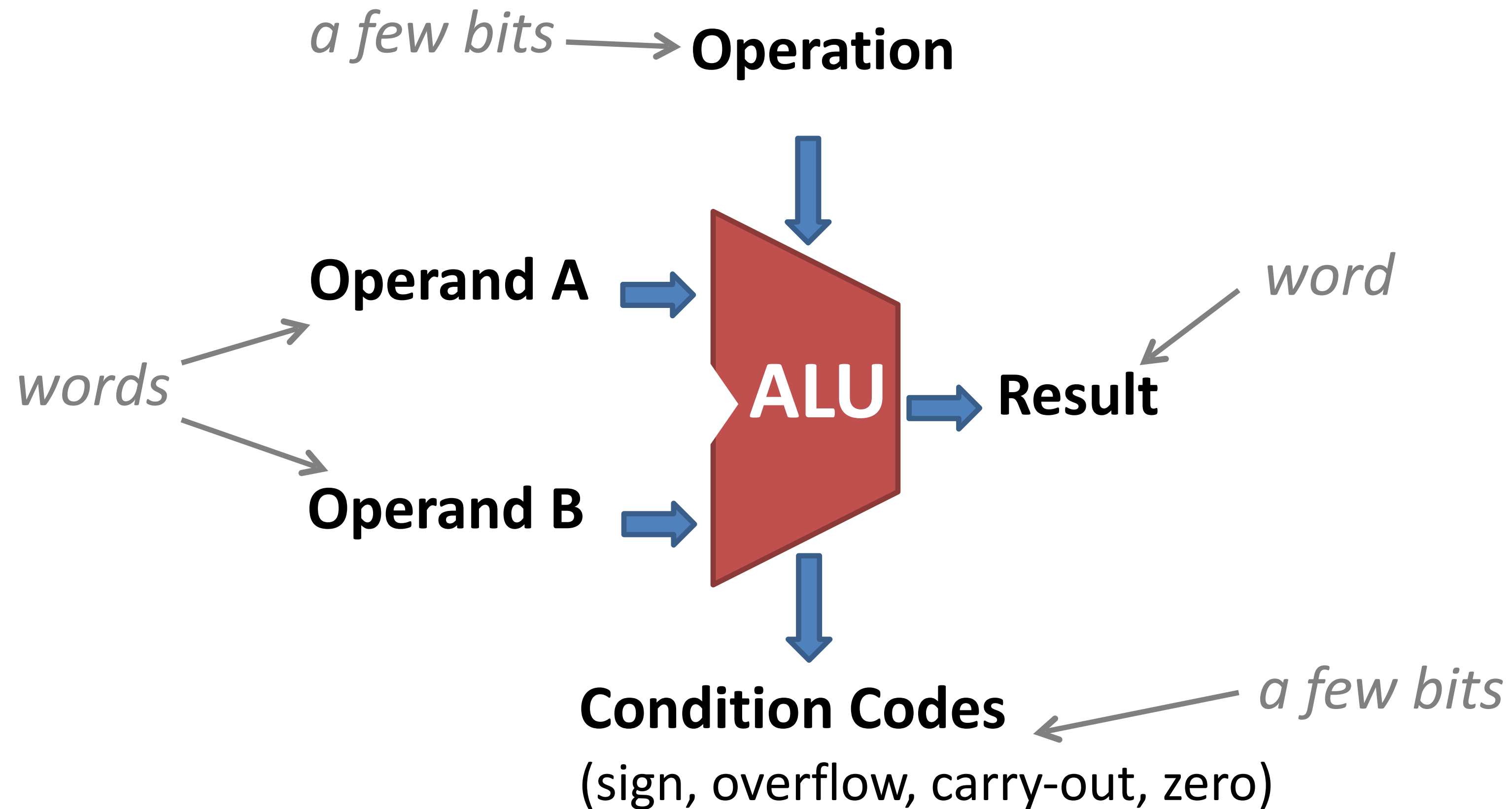


There are faster, more complicated ways too, but they aren't required for CS240

Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU)

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Goal for this section: build support for this abstraction

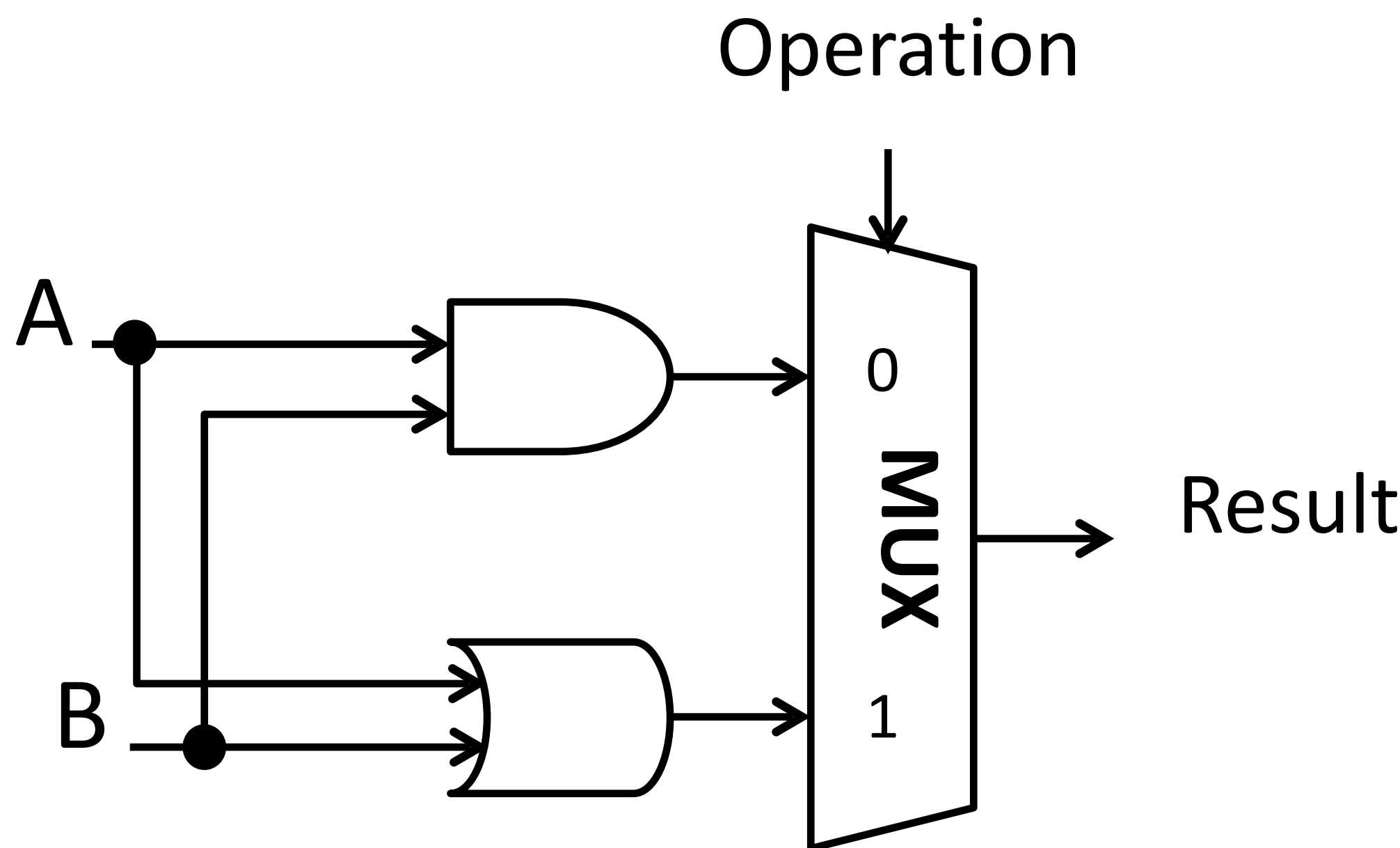


Hardware unit for arithmetic and bitwise operations.

1-bit ALU for bitwise operations

We will use n 1-bit ALUs to build an n -bit ALU.
Each bit i in the result is computed from the corresponding bit i in the two inputs.

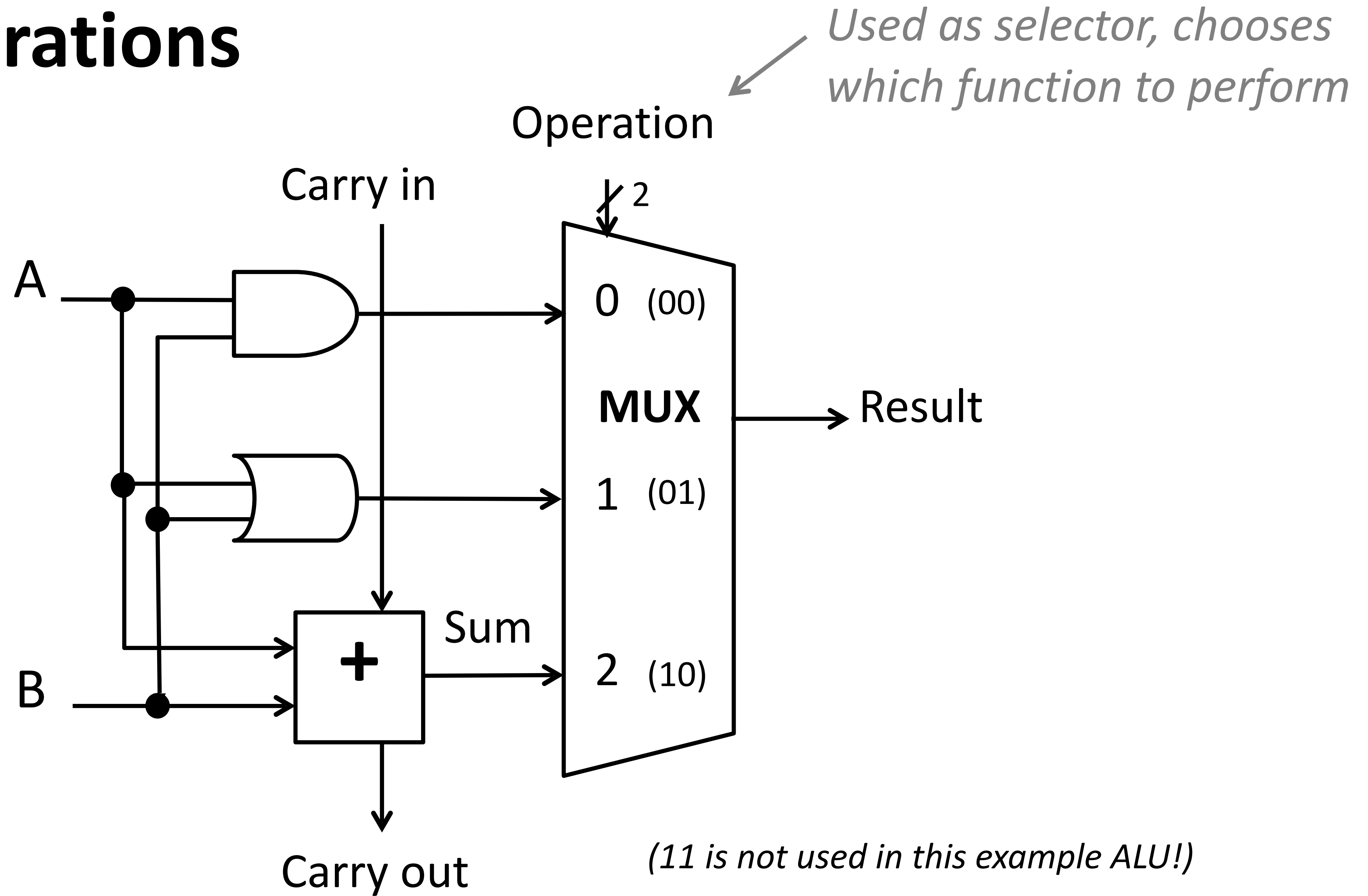
An example (simplified) 1-bit ALU



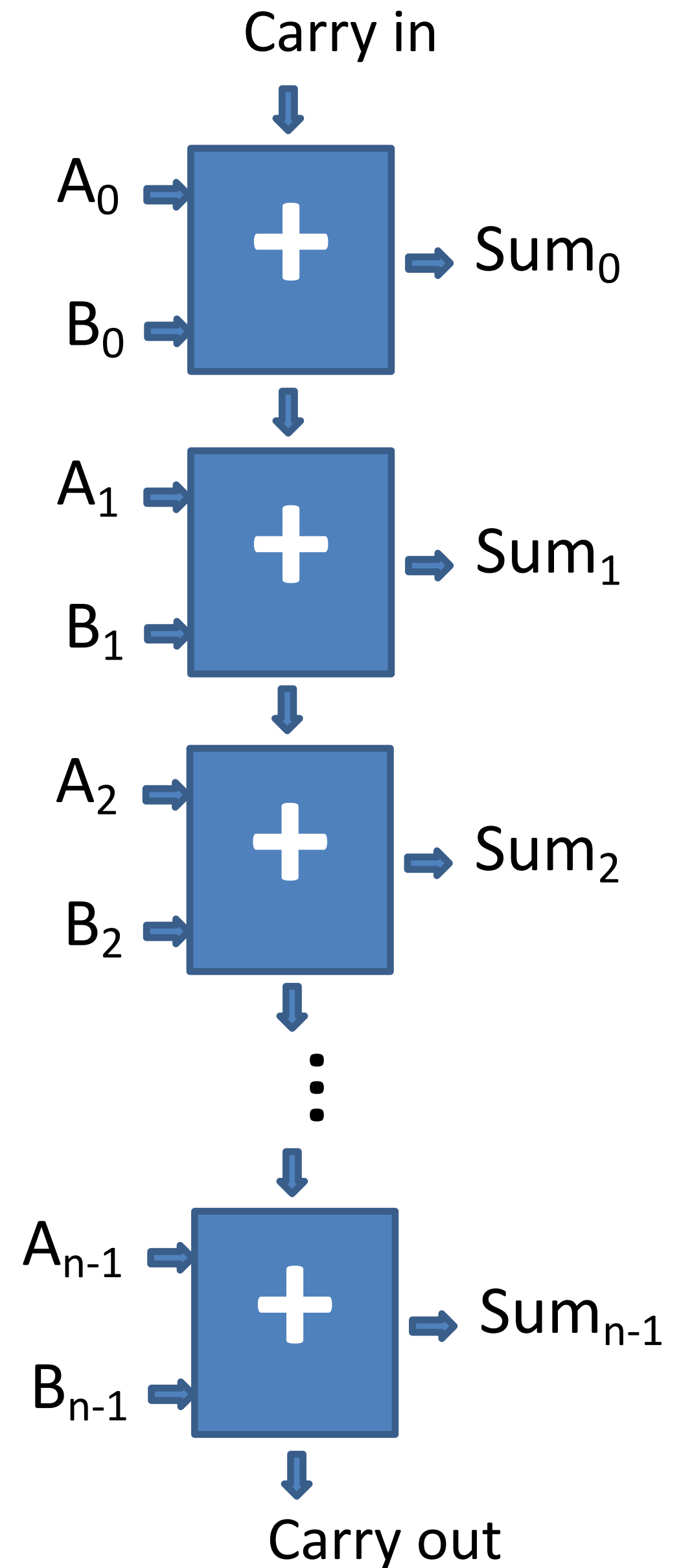
Op	A	B	Result
0	0	0	
0	0	1	
0	1	0	
0	1	1	
1	0	0	
1	0	1	
1	1	0	
1	1	1	



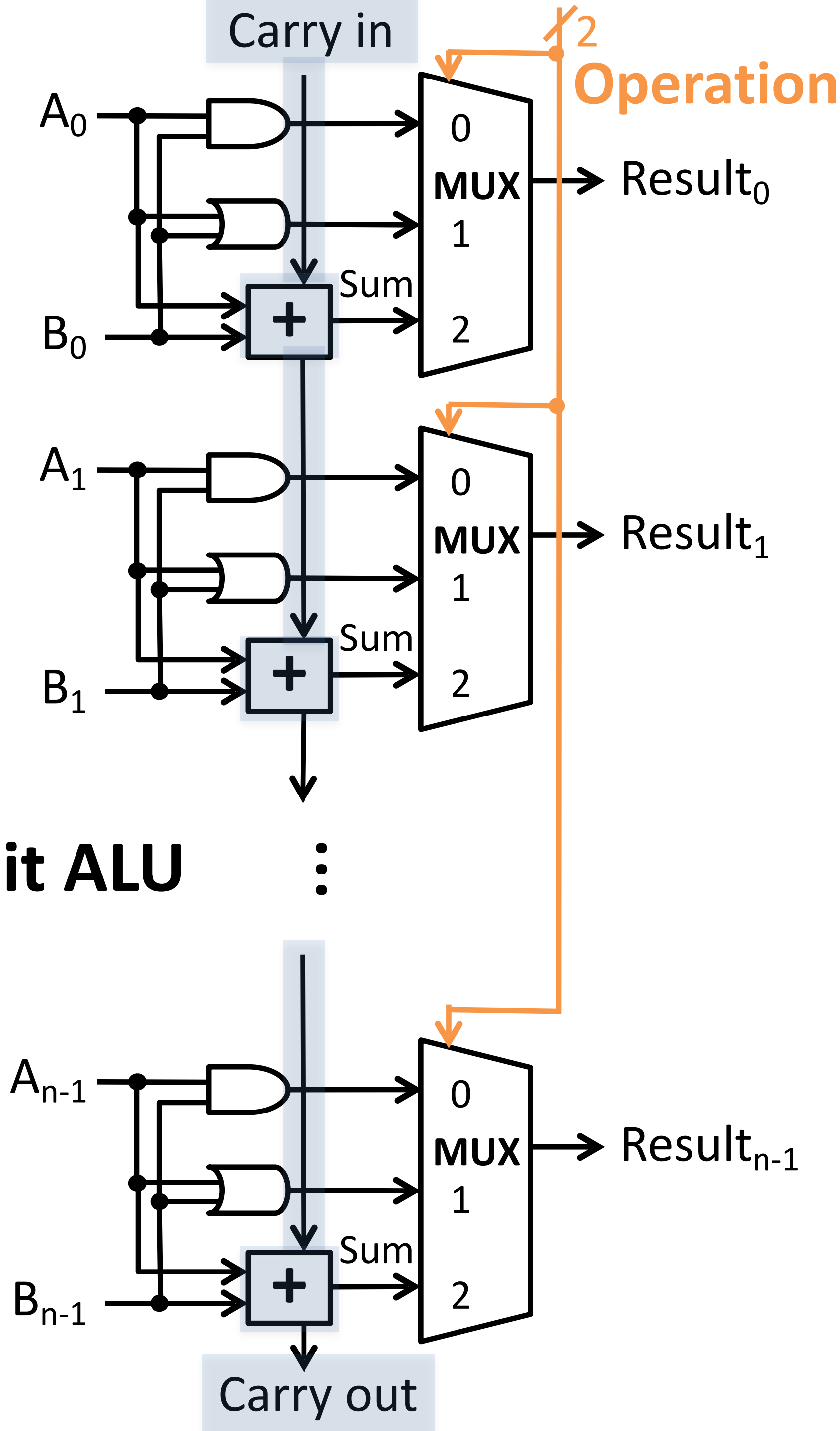
1-bit ALU: 3 operations



n-bit ripple carry adder



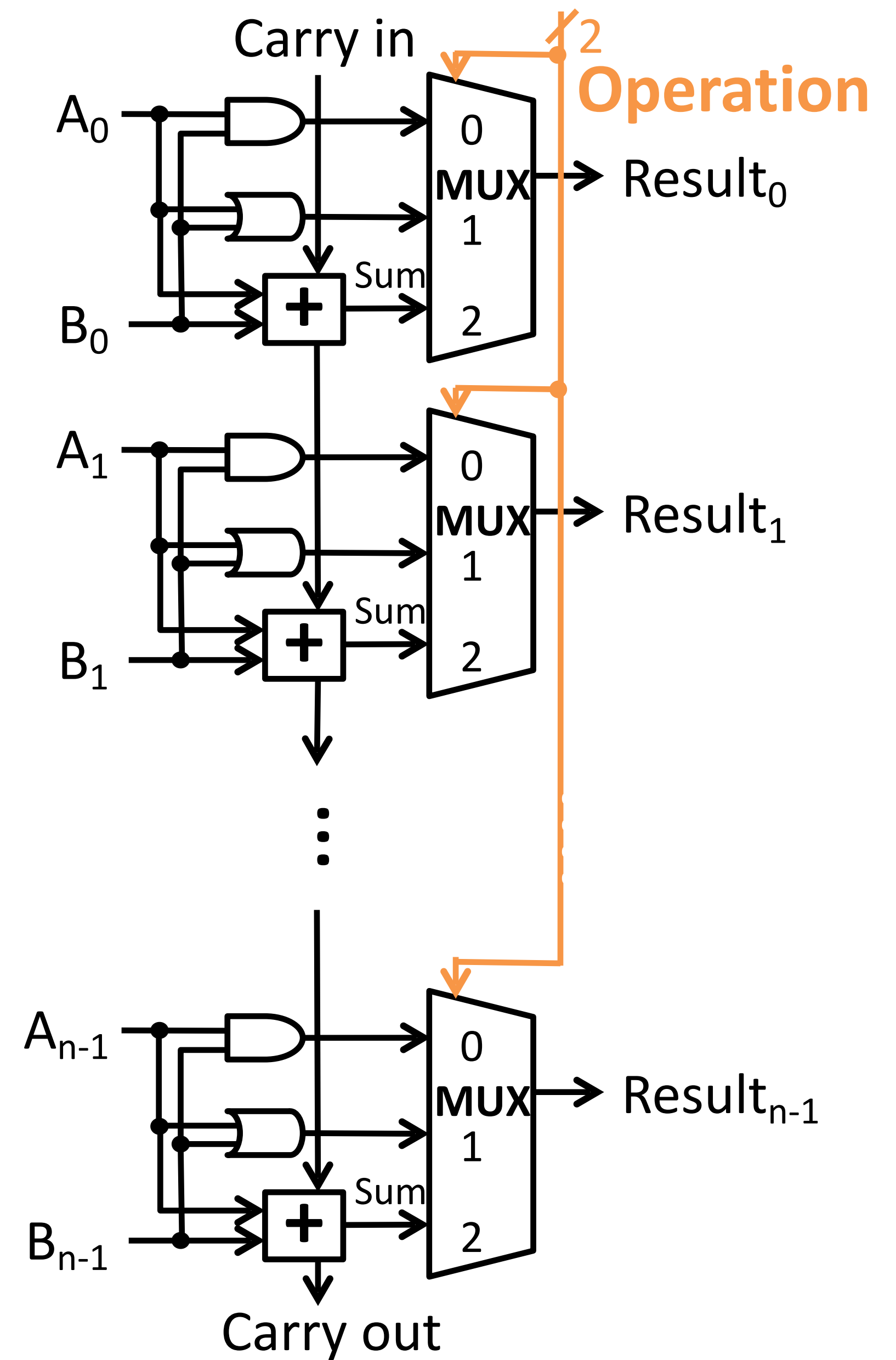
n-bit ALU



Operation ← Use the same selector for every 1-bit ALU

Controlling the ALU

ALU control lines	Function
00	AND
01	OR
10	add



Include subtraction

How can we control ALU inputs
or add minimal new logic
to **also compute $A-B$** ?

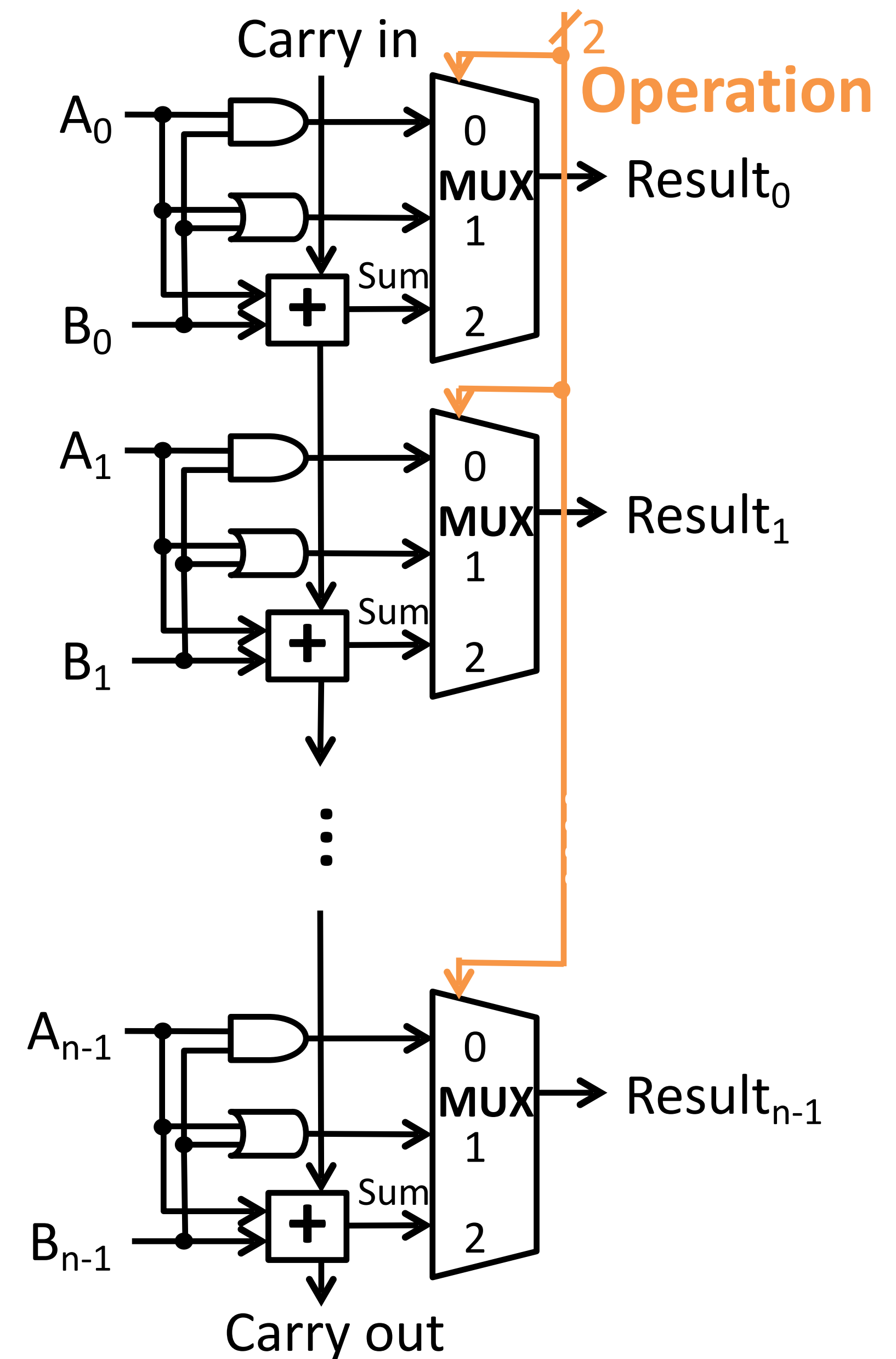
Recall:

$$\begin{aligned} A - B &= A + (-B) \\ &= A + (\sim B + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Plan:

Feed bitwise-not B into the adder

Add an extra 1: how?



Include subtraction

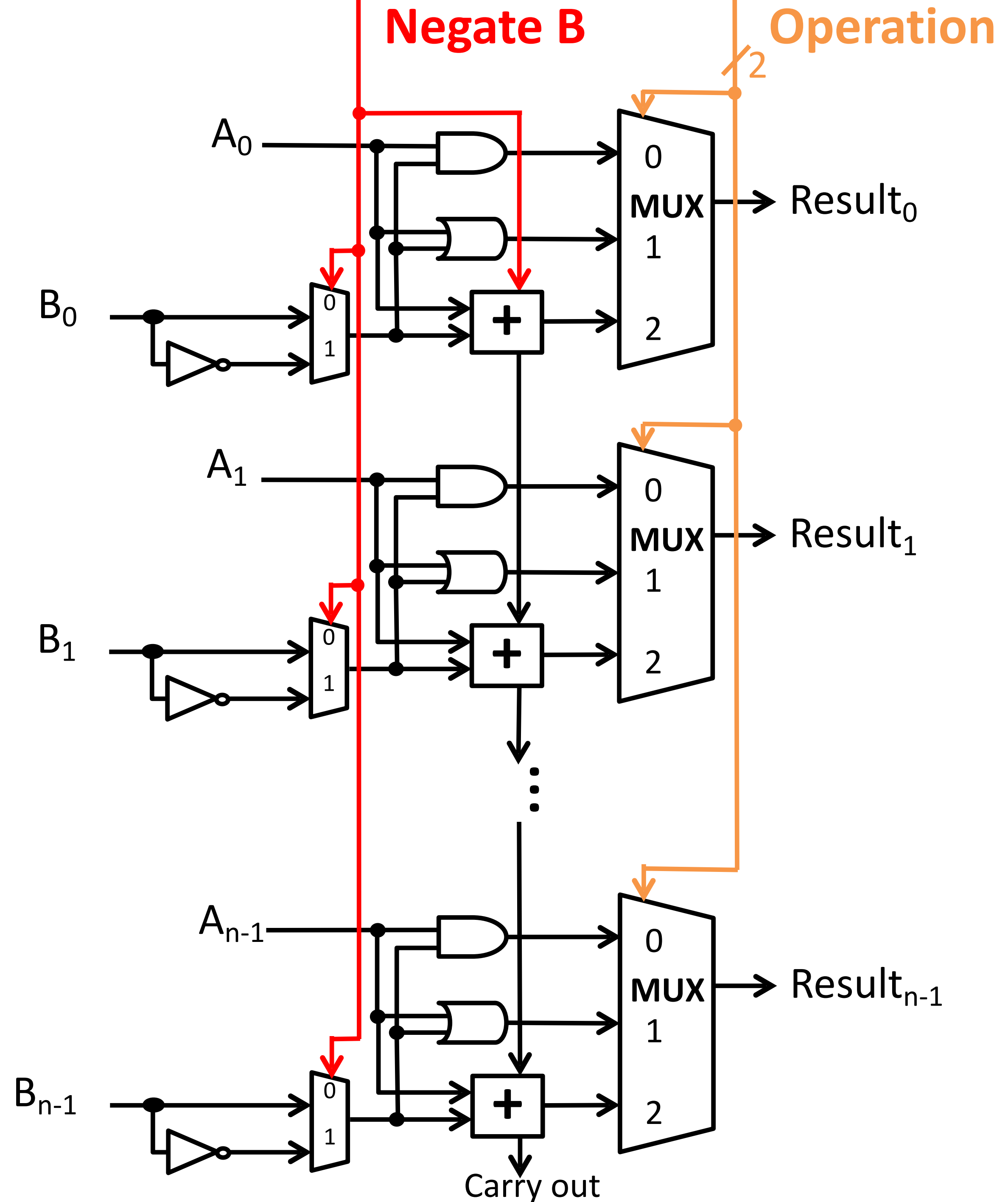
Plan to compute $A-B$:

1. Feed bitwise-not B into the adder
2. Add an extra 1

Key insight:

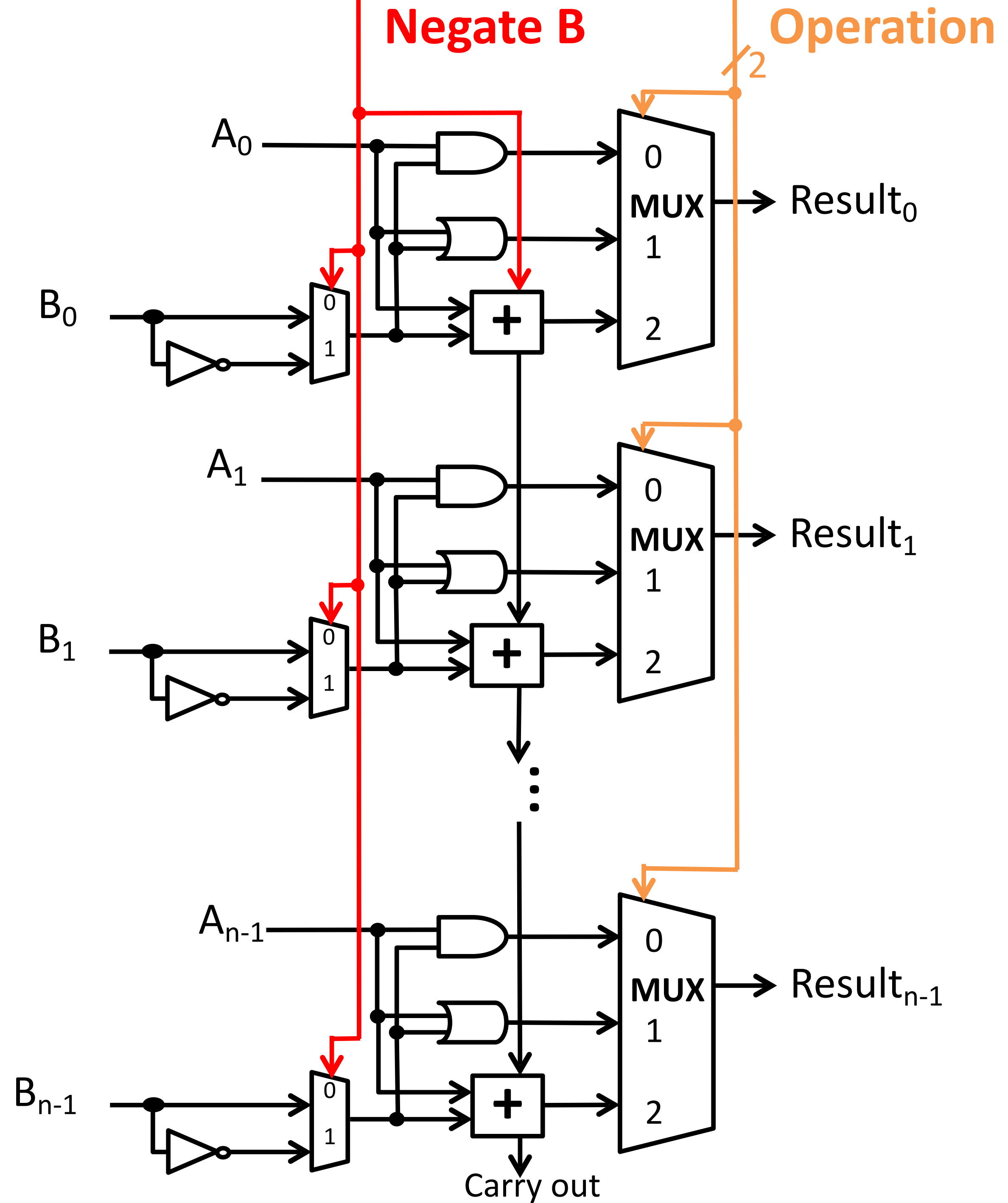
The *same* selector bit (0 or 1) can be used for both!

1. Feed the selector into a new 2:1 mux to choose B or $\sim B$
2. Feed the selector in as the carry in to the least significant bit



Include subtraction

ALU control lines	Function
000	AND
001	OR
010	add
110	subtract
...	...



More operations

A NAND B

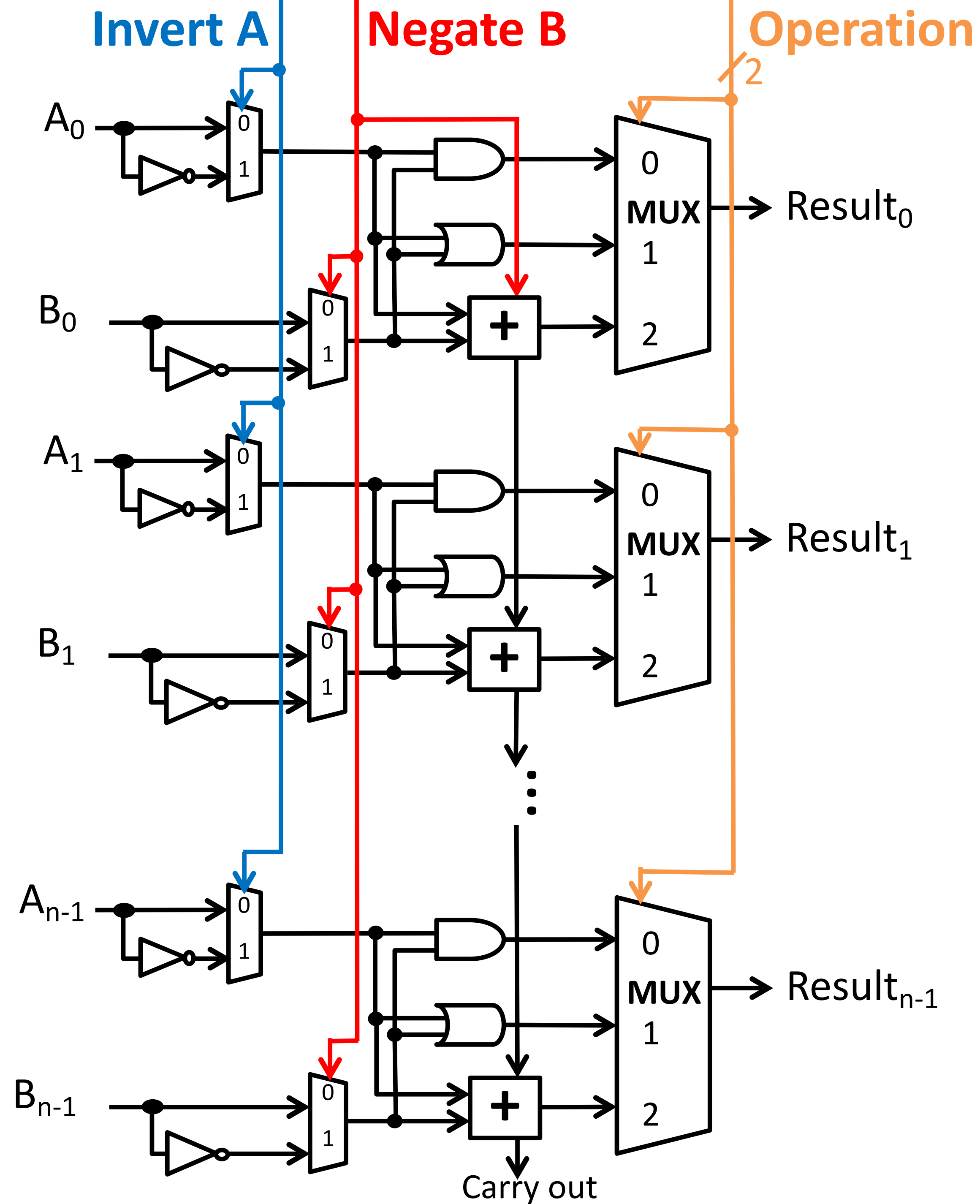
A NOR B

A < B

A == B

How can we control ALU inputs or add minimal new logic to compute each?

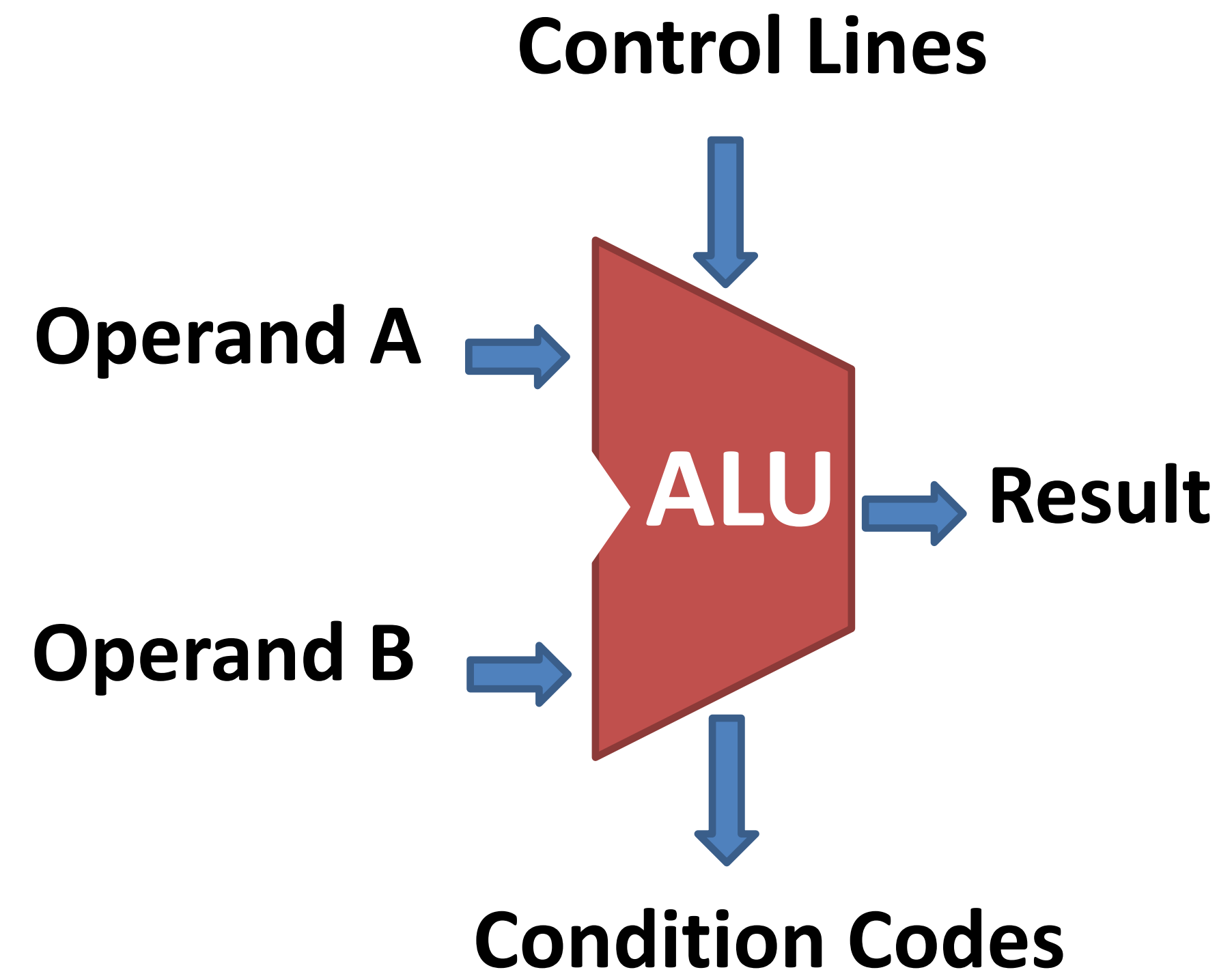
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Controlling the ALU

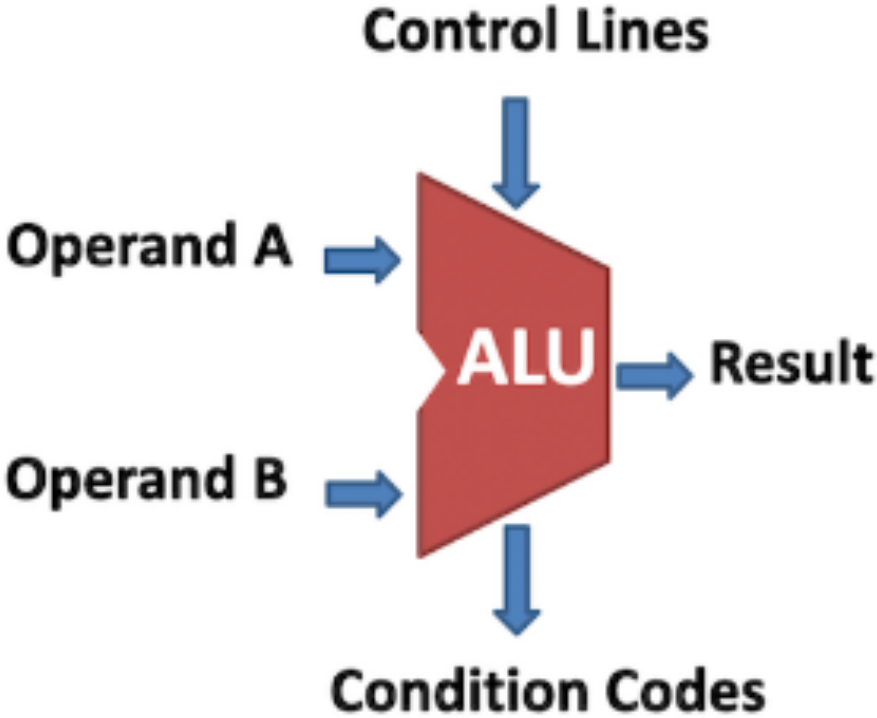
Abstraction!

ALU control lines	Function
0000	AND
0001	OR
0010	add
0110	subtract
...	...



How many different functions (operations) could this ALU theoretically perform?

ALU control lines	Function
0000	AND
0001	OR
0010	add
0110	subtract
...	...



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None of the above

ALU conditions (additional outputs)

Extra ALU outputs

describing properties of result.

Zero Flag:

1 if result is 00...0 else 0

Sign Flag:

1 if result is negative else 0

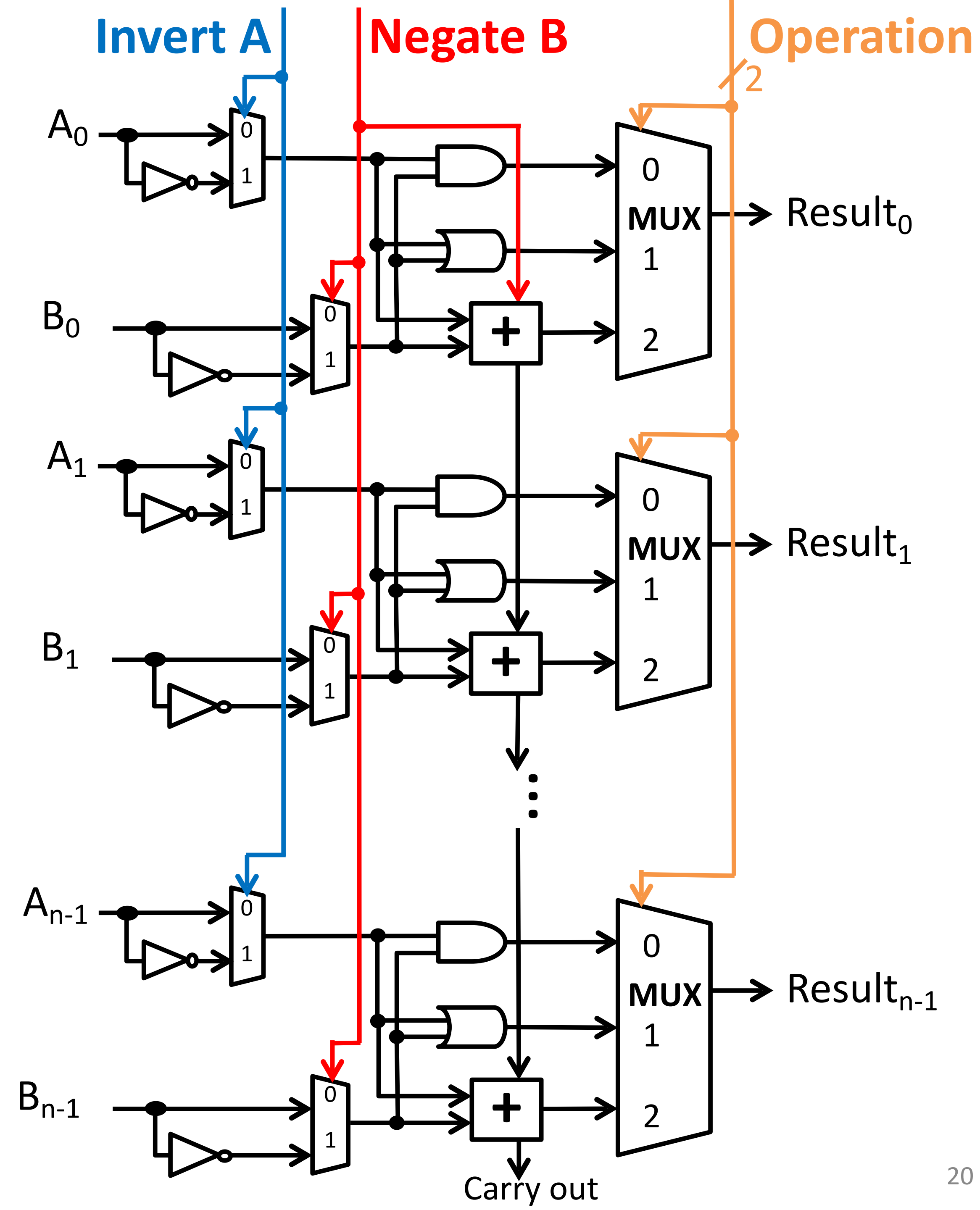
Carry Flag:

1 if carry out else 0

(Signed) Overflow Flag:

1 if signed overflow else 0

You will implement these in the Arch Assignment!



ALU control lines	Function
0000	AND
0001	OR
0010	add
0110	subtract
????	NAND
????	NOR
????	less than
????	equals

