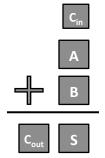


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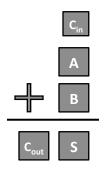
A Full Adder



Α	В	C _{in}	C _{out}	S
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0	1	0		
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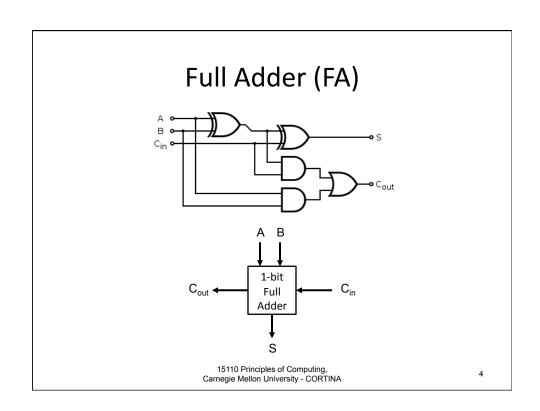


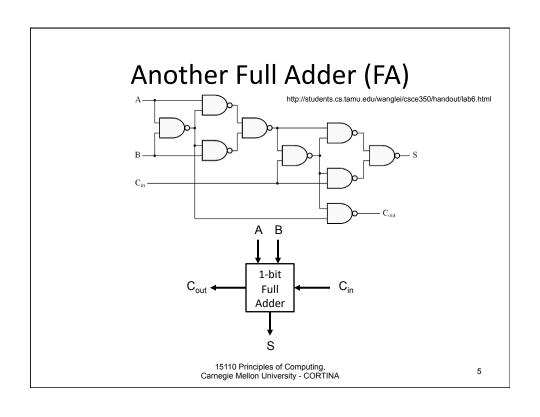
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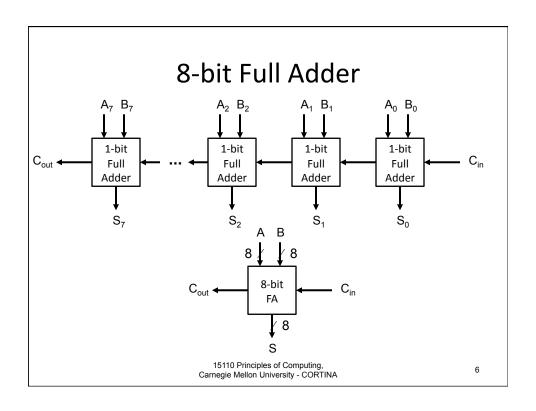
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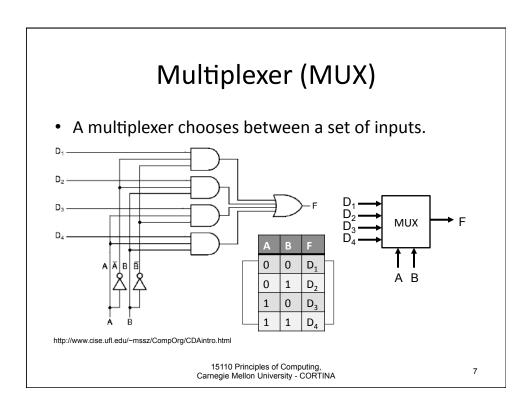
$$C_{out} = ((A \oplus B) \land C) \lor (A \land B)$$

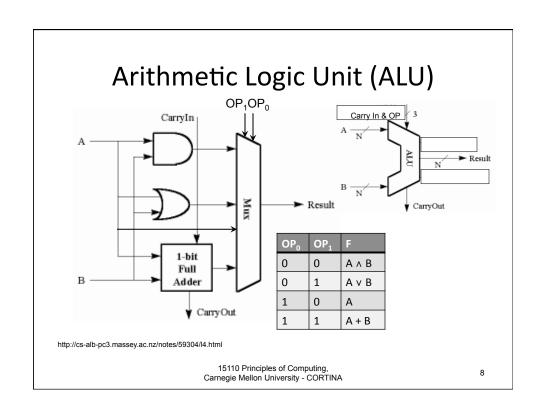
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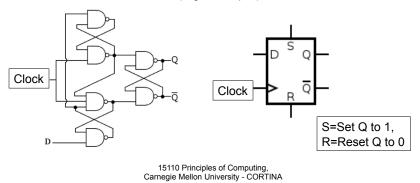






Flip Flop

- A flip flop is a sequential circuit that is able to maintain (save) a state.
 - Example: D (Data) Flip-Flop sets output Q to input D when clock turns on. (Images from Wikipedia)



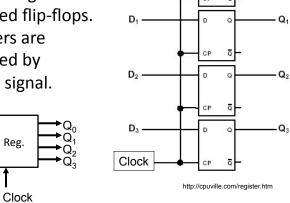
Registers

A register is just

 a set of edge triggered flip-flops.

 Registers are

 triggered by
 a clock signal.



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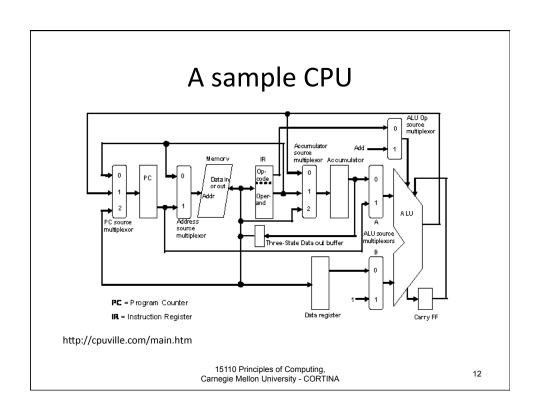
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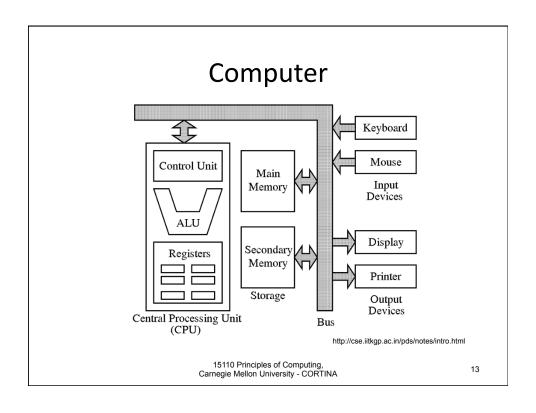
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Central Processing Unit (CPU)

- · A CPU contains:
 - Arithmetic Logic Unit to perform computation
 - Registers to hold information
 - Instruction register (current instruction being executed)
 - Program counter (to hold location of next instruction in memory)
 - Accumulator (to hold computation result from ALU)
 - Data register(s) (to hold other important data for future use)
 - Control unit to regulate flow of information and operations that are performed at each instruction step

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Abstraction

- We can use layers of abstraction to hide details of the computer design.
- We can work in any layer, not needing to know how the lower layers work or how the current layer fits into the larger system.
 - -> transistors
 - -> gates
 - -> circuits (adders, multiplexors, flip-flops)
 - -> central processing units (ALU, registers, control)
 - -> computer

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von Neumann Architecture

- Most computers follow the fetch-decodeexecute cycle introduced by John von Neumann.
 - Fetch next instruction from memory.
 - Decode instruction and get any data it needs (possibly from memory).
 - Execute instruction with data and store results (possibly into memory).
 - Repeat.

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Programming a Machine

- All instructions for a program are stored in computer memory in binary, just like data.
- A program is needed that translates human readable instructions (e.g. in Ruby) into binary instructions ("machine language").
 - An interpreter is a program that translates one instruction at a time into machine language to be executed by the computer.
 - A compiler is a program that translates an entire program into machine language which is then executed by the computer.

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