

EXPERIMENT – 8

AIM

To study and design a 4-bit BCD adder.

PLATFORM/TOOL USED

- Simulator: <https://circuitverse.org/simulator>

THEORY

The digital systems handle the decimal number in the form of **binary coded decimal numbers (BCD)**. A BCD Adder Circuit that adds two BCD digits and produces a sum digit also in BCD. BCD numbers use 10 digits, 0 to 9 which are represented in the binary form 0 0 0 0 to 1 0 0 1, i.e., each BCD digit is represented as a 4-bit binary number. When we write BCD number say 526, it can be represented as

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & 5 & \\
 & \downarrow & \\
 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & & 2 & \\
 & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & \\
 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & & 6 & \\
 & & & & & & \downarrow & \\
 & & & & & & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0
 \end{array}$$

Suppose we have two 4-bit numbers A and B. The value of A and B can vary from 0(0000 in binary) to 9(1001 in binary) because we are considering decimal numbers.

The output will vary from 0 to 18 if we are not considering the carry from the previous sum. But if we are considering the carry, then the maximum value of output will be 19 (i.e., $9+9+1 = 19$).

The BCD addition procedure as follows:

1. Add two BCD numbers using ordinary binary addition.
2. If four-bit sum is equal to or less than 9, no correction is needed. The sum is in proper BCD form.
3. If the four-bit sum is greater than 9 or if a carry is generated from the four-bit sum, the sum is invalid.
4. To correct the invalid sum, add 0110₂ to the four-bit sum. If a carry results from this addition, add it to the next higher-order BCD digit.

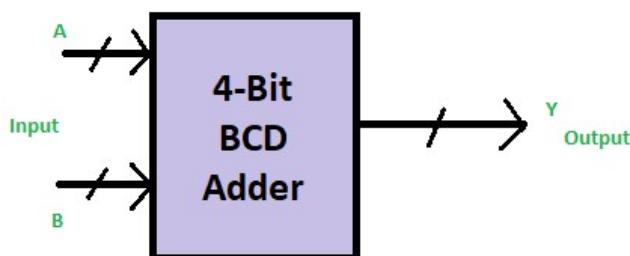
Thus, to implement BCD Adder Circuit we require:

- 4-bit binary adder for initial addition
- Logic circuit to detect sum greater than 9 and
- One more 4-bit adder to add 0110₂ in the sum if sum is greater than 9 or carry is 1.

The logic circuit to detect sum greater than 9 can be determined by simplifying the Boolean expression of given BCD Adder Truth Table.

The Logic Diagram and Truth Table of a 4-bit BCD Adder is given in the table.

Block Diagram for BCD Adder



Truth Table for BCD ADDER

Decimal	Binary Sum					BCD Sum				
	C'	S ₃ '	S ₂ '	S ₁ '	S ₀ '	C	S ₃	S ₂	S ₁	S ₀
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
5	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
6	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
7	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
8	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
9	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
10	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
11	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
12	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
13	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
14	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
15	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1
16	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
17	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
18	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
19	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1

The K-map for the expression to check whether the BCD sum values greater than 9, up to decimal number 15 is given below:

K-Map for BCD Adder

For Y

		I ₁ I ₀	00	01	11	10
		I ₃ I ₂	00	0	0	0
00	00	0	0	0	0	0
01	01	0	0	0	0	0
11	11	1	1	1	1	1
10	10	0	0	1	1	1

$$Y = S_3S_2 + S_3S_1$$

For Binary sum values greater than 15, the carry bit is 1 (high), which updates the expression obtained to –

$$Y = C' + S_3S_2 + S_3S_1$$

The Boolean Expressions for the conditions detecting that the Binary Sum is greater than 9 to convert it to BCD by considering the carry bit as 1 in BCD representation for the ten's place BCD digit.

Boolean Expressions for BCD Adder

$$S_3S_1 = 1d \text{ (Condition 10 and 11)}$$

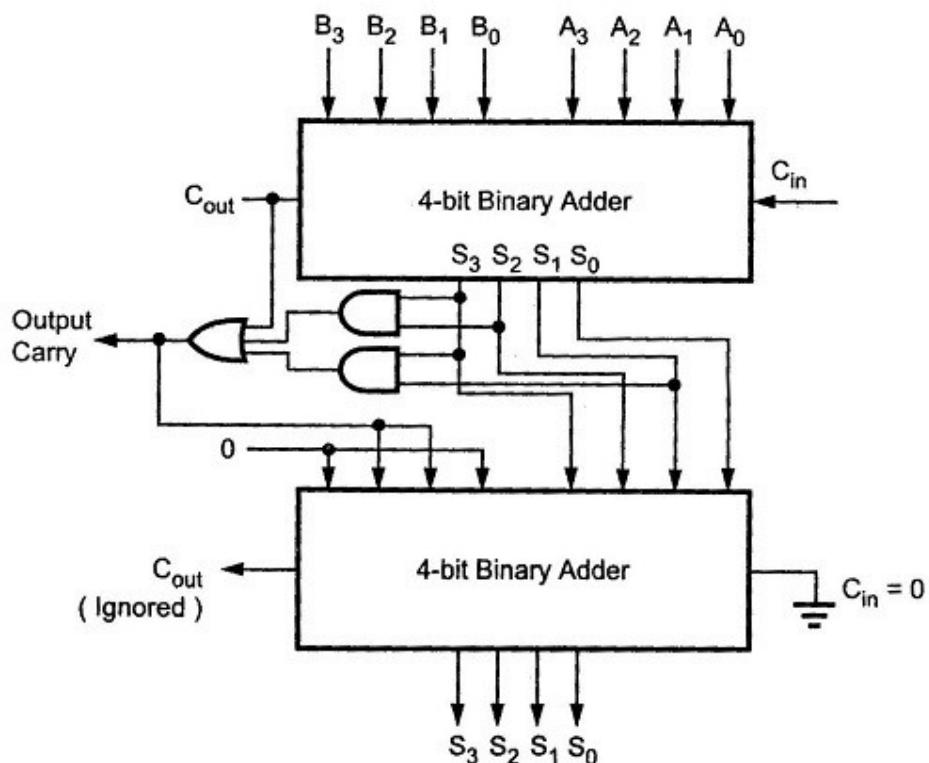
$$S_3S_2 = 1 \text{ (Condition for 12 – 15)}$$

$$C' = 1 \text{ (Condition for 16 – 19)}$$

Logic for the checking the INVALID SUM (greater than 9)

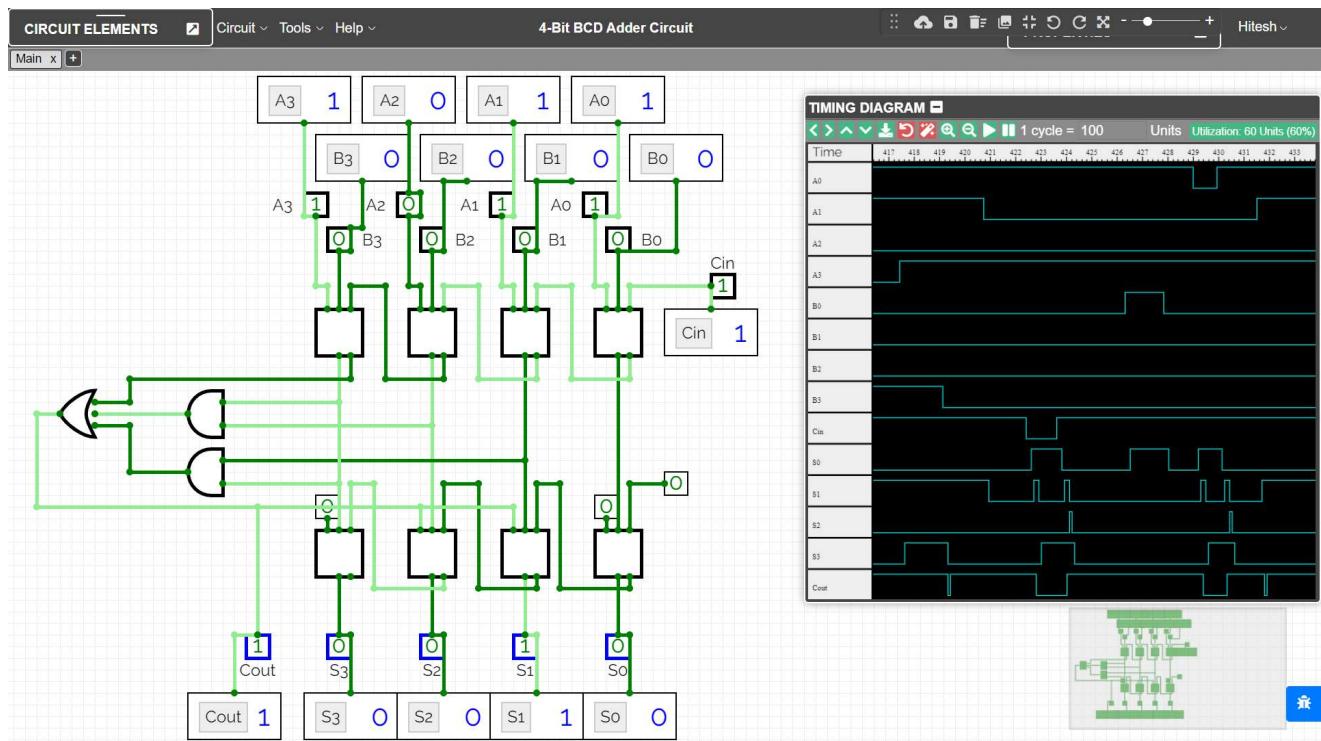
$$Y = C' + S_3S_2 + S_3S_1$$

Logic Diagram for BCD Adder



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SIMULATED OUTPUT



RESULT

The Working of 4-bit Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) Adder combinational circuit have been analysed and the Truth Table and Boolean Expression of BCD Adder using Full Adders and OR & AND gates have been studied and verified using the online simulator.

CRITERIA	TOTAL MARKS	MARKS OBTAINED	COMMENTS
Concept (A)	2		
Implementation (B)	2		
Performance (C)	2		
Total	6		