

Project Report:

Design and Implementation of a 4-bit ALU

1. Introduction

An **Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU)** is a key part of a CPU that performs arithmetic and logical operations. This project involves designing and simulating a **4-bit ALU** in Logisim, supporting:

- **Arithmetic Operations:** Addition, Subtraction
- **Logical Operations:** AND, OR, XOR, NOT
- **Comparison Operations:** Equality, Greater Than, Less Than

2. ALU Design Overview

Key Components:

Input Registers (A, B) – Two 4-bit inputs

Control Unit – Decodes operation selection

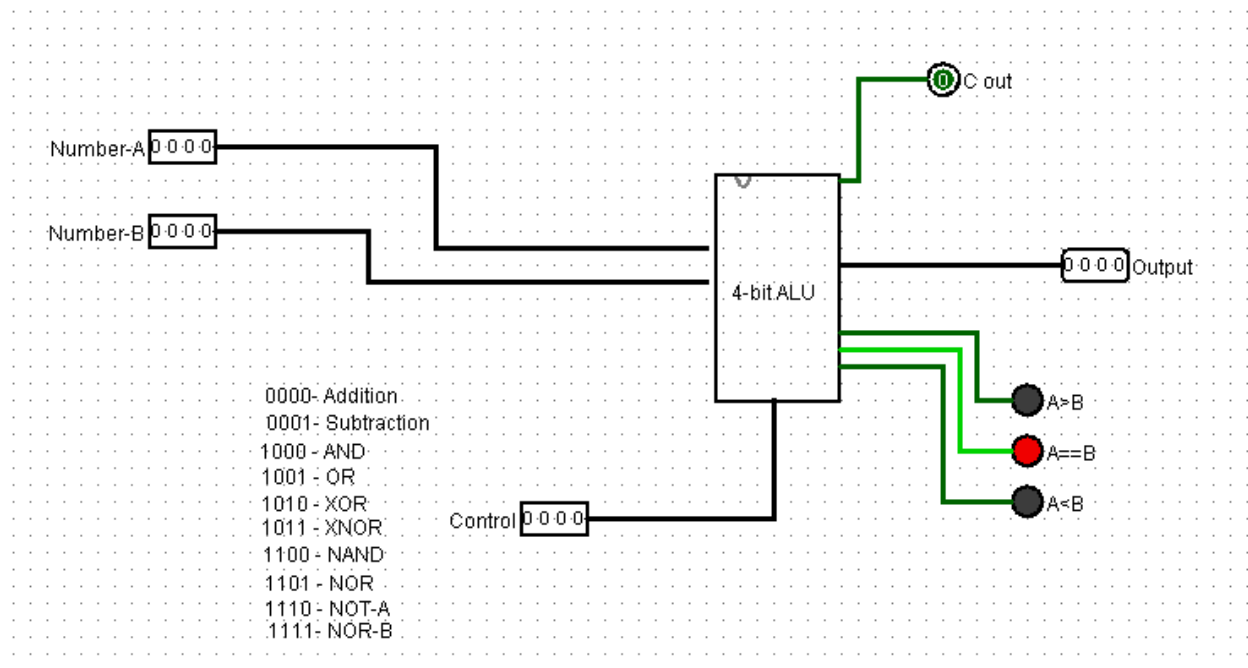
Arithmetic Unit – Handles addition/subtraction

Logic Unit – Performs AND/OR/XOR/NOT

Comparison Unit – Checks A vs B

Multiplexer (MUX) – Selects output based on control signal

Block Diagram:

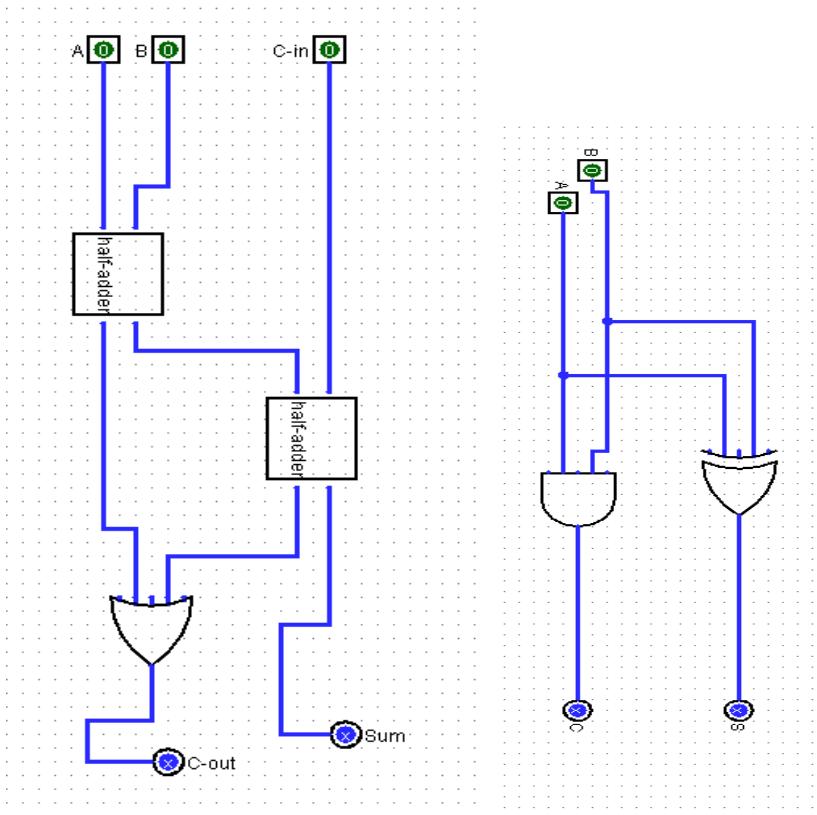
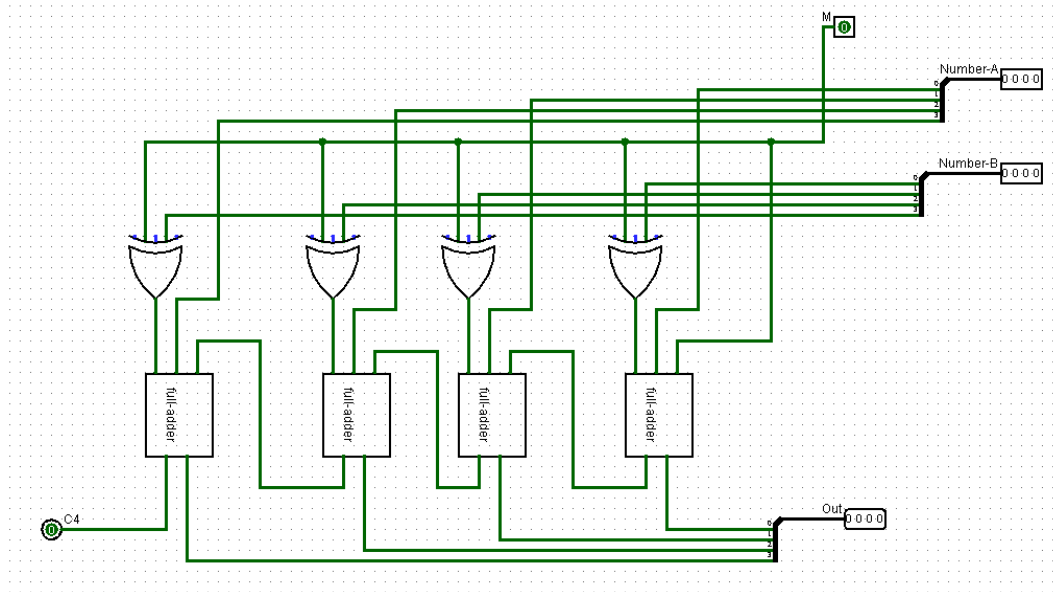


3. Functional Description

3.1 Arithmetic Operations

Addition ($A + B$): 4-bit ripple-carry adder

Subtraction ($A - B$): 2's complement method



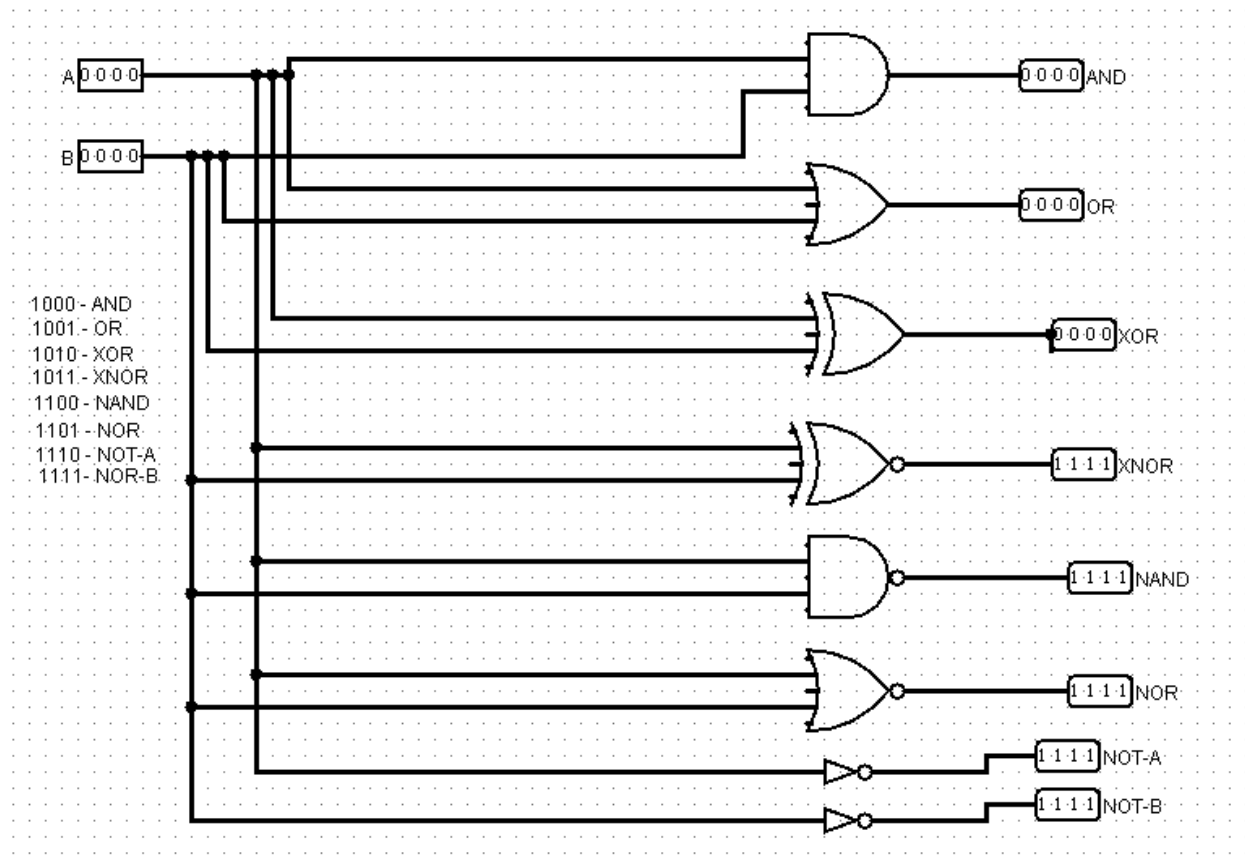
Full- Adder

Half-Adder

3.2 Logical Operations

AND, OR, XOR: **Bitwise operations**

NOT: **Inverts input A**

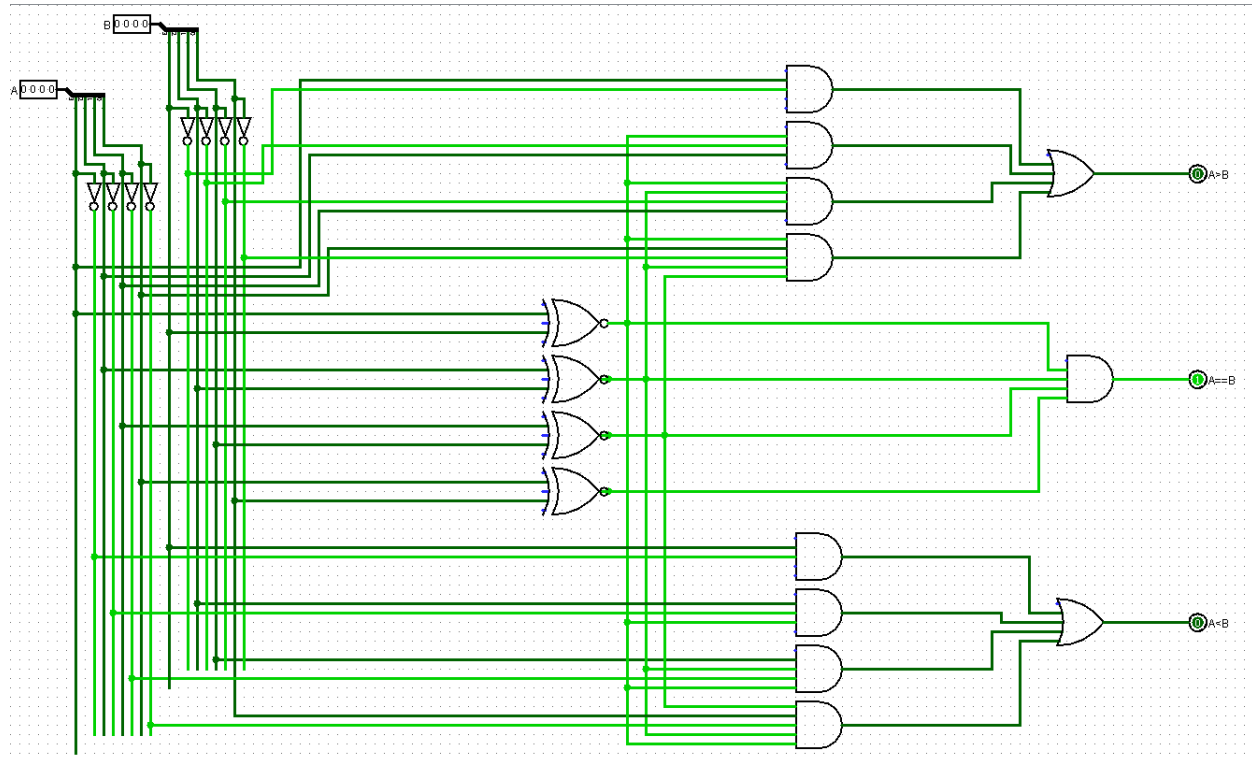


3.3 Comparison Operations

Equality ($A == B$): XOR gates check bits

Greater Than ($A > B$): Checks subtraction sign

Less Than ($A < B$): Opposite of Greater Than



4. Logisim Implementation

4.1 Control Signal Encoding

0000- Addition

0001- Subtraction

1000 - AND

1001 - OR

1010 - XOR

1011 - XNOR

1100 - NAND

1101 - NOR

1110 - NOT-A

1111- NOT-B

4.2 Circuit Components

Basic Logic Gates (AND, OR, XOR, NOT)

4-bit Adder/Subtractor

Multiplexers (MUX) for operation selection

Output LEDs/Displays

5. Simulation Results

A	B	Operation	Result	Pass?
0101	0011	ADD (0000)	1000 (8)	✓
0110	0010	SUB (0001)	0100 (4)	✓
1100	1010	AND (0010)	1000 (8)	✓
1100	1010	OR (0011)	1110 (14)	✓
1100	1010	XOR (0100)	0110 (6)	✓
1100	----	NOT (0101)	0011 (3)	✓
0101	0101	EQ (0110)	1 (True)	✓
0111	0011	GT (0111)	1 (True)	✓
0101	1011	LS (0000)	1 (True)	✓
—	1100	NOT (1001)	0011 (3)	✓
1100	1010	XOR (0100)	0110 (6)	✓

6. Conclusion

- Successfully designed a **4-bit ALU** in Logisim.
- Verified all operations via simulation.