

# CHAPTER 4

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Applications of Boolean Algebra/  
Minterm and Maxterm Expansions

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# Objective

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- Conversion of English Sentences to Boolean Equations
- Combinational Logic Design Using a Truth Table
- Minterm and Maxterm Expansions
- General Minterm and Maxterm Expansions
- Incompletely Specified Functions (Don't care term)
- Examples of Truth Table Construction
- Design of Binary Adders(Full adder) and Subtractors

## 4.1 Conversion of English Sentences to Boolean Equations

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### - Steps in designing a single-output combinational switching circuit

1. Find switching function which specifies the desired behavior of the circuit
2. Find a simplified algebraic expression for the function
3. Realize the simplified function using available logic elements

1. F is 'true' if A and B are both 'true'  $\rightarrow F=AB$

## 4.1 Conversion of English Sentences to Boolean Equations

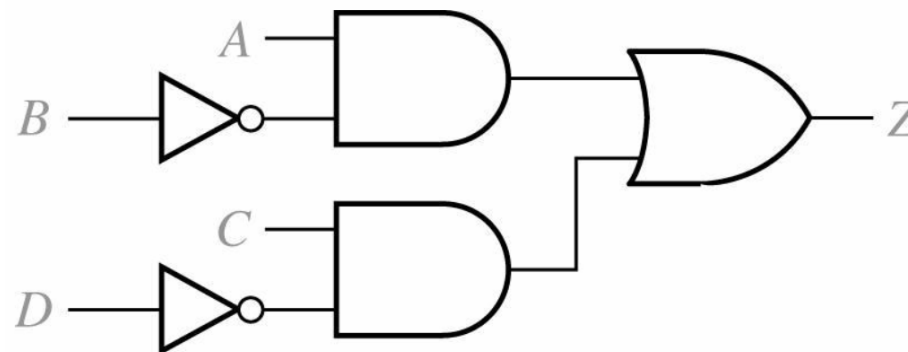
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1. The alarm will ring( $Z$ ) iff the alarm switch is turned on( $A$ ) *and* the door is not closed( $B'$ ), *or* it is after 6PM( $C$ ) and window is not closed( $D'$ )

2. Boolean Equation

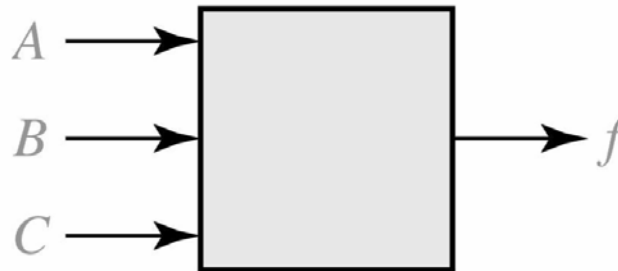
$$Z = AB' + CD'$$

3. Circuit realization



## 4.2 Combinational Logic Design Using a Truth Table

### - Combinational Circuit with Truth Table



(a)

A	B	C	f	f'
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	0

(b)

When expression for  $f=1 \rightarrow$

$$f = A'BC + AB'C' + AB'C + ABC' + ABC$$

## 4.2 Combinational Logic Design Using a Truth Table

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Original equation →

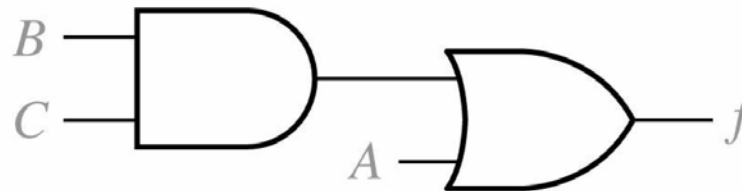
$$f = A'BC + AB'C' + AB'C + ABC' + ABC$$

Simplified equation →

$$f = A'BC + AB' + AB = A'BC + A = A + BC$$

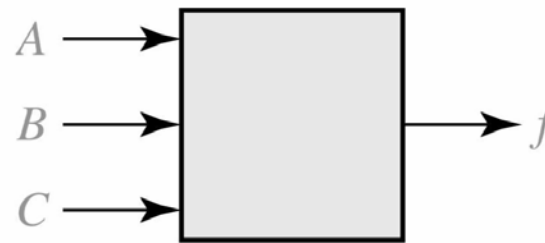
Proof:  $F = A'BC + AB'(C' + C) + AB(C' + C)$  (eq. 2-8, p.38)  
 $= A'BC + AB' + AB = A'BC + A(B' + B)$  (eq. 2-8, p.38)  
 $= A'BC + A = A + BC$  (eq. 2-14D, p.41)

Circuit realization →



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

(b)

When expression for  $f=0 \rightarrow$

$$f = (A + B + C)(A + B + C')(A + B' + C)$$

$$f = (A + B)(A + B' + C) = A + B(B' + C) = A + BC$$

When expression for  $f'=1 \rightarrow$

and take the complement of  $f'$

$$f' = A'B'C' + A'B'C + A'BC'$$

$$\longrightarrow f = (A + B + C)(A + B + C')(A + B' + C)$$



## 4.3 Minterm and Maxterm Expansions

- *literal* is a variable or its complement (e.g.  $A$ ,  $A'$ )

- **Minterm, Maxterm** for three variables

Row No.	A B C	Minterms	Maxterms
0	0 0 0	$A' B' C' = m_0$	$A + B + C = M_0$
1	0 0 1	$A' B' C = m_1$	$A + B + C' = M_1$
2	0 1 0	$A' B C' = m_2$	$A + B' + C = M_2$
3	0 1 1	$A' B C = m_3$	$A + B' + C' = M_3$
4	1 0 0	$A B' C' = m_4$	$A' + B + C = M_4$
5	1 0 1	$A B' C = m_5$	$A' + B + C' = M_5$
6	1 1 0	$A B C' = m_6$	$A' + B' + C = M_6$
7	1 1 1	$A B C = m_7$	$A' + B' + C' = M_7$

## 4.3 Minterm and Maxterm Expansions

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- *Minterm* of  $n$  variables is a product of  $n$  literals in which each variable appears exactly once in either true ( $A$ ) or complemented form ( $A'$ ), but not both. ( $\rightarrow m_0$ )

- Minterm expansion,

- Standard Sum of Product  $\rightarrow$

$$f = A'BC + AB'C' + AB'C + ABC' + ABC$$

$$f(A, B, C) = m_3 + m_4 + m_5 + m_6 + m_7$$

$$f(A, B, C) = \sum m(3, 4, 5, 6, 7)$$

## 4.3 Minterm and Maxterm Expansions

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- *Maxterm* of  $n$  variables is a sum of  $n$  literals in which each variable appears exactly once in either true ( $A$ ) or complemented form ( $A'$ ), but not both. ( $\rightarrow M_0$ )

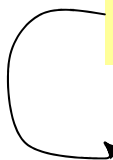
- Maxterm expansion,
- Standard Product of Sum  $\rightarrow$

$$f = (A + B + C)(A + B + C')(A + B' + C)$$

$$f(A, B, C) = M_0 M_1 M_2$$

$$f(A, B, C) = \prod M(0, 1, 2)$$

## 4.3 Minterm and Maxterm Expansions

$$f(A, B, C) = m_3 + m_4 + m_5 + m_6 + m_7$$

$$f' = m_0 + m_1 + m_2 = \sum m(0,1,2)$$

$$f(A, B, C) = M_0 M_1 M_2 \longrightarrow f' = \prod M(3,4,5,6,7) = M_3 M_4 M_5 M_6 M_7$$

- *Minterm* and *Maxterm* expansions are complement each other

$$f' = (m_3 + m_4 + m_5 + m_6 + m_7)' = m'_3 m'_4 m'_5 m'_6 m'_7 = M_3 M_4 M_5 M_6 M_7$$

$$f' = (M_0 M_1 M_2)' = M'_0 + M'_1 + M'_2 = m_0 + m_1 + m_2$$

By Using DeMorgan's Law (eq. 2-21, 2-22, p.45)

## 4.4 General Minterm and Maxterm Expansions

A B C	F
0 0 0	$a_0$
0 0 1	$a_1$
0 1 0	$a_2$
0 1 1	$a_3$
1 0 0	$a_4$
1 0 1	$a_5$
1 1 0	$a_6$
1 1 1	$a_7$

-General truth table  
for 3 variables

-  $a_i$  is either '0' or '1'

- Minterm expansion for general function

$$F = a_0m_0 + a_1m_1 + a_2m_2 + \dots + a_7m_7 = \sum_{i=0}^7 a_i m_i$$

$a_i=1$ , minterm  $m_i$  is present

$a_i=0$ , minterm  $m_i$  is not present

- Maxterm expansion for general function

$$F = (a_0 + M_0)(a_1 + M_1)(a_2 + M_2) \dots (a_7 + M_7) = \prod_{i=0}^7 (a_i + M_i)$$

$a_i=1$ ,  $a_i + M_i=1$ , Maxterm  $M_i$  is not present

$a_i=0$ , Maxterm is present

## 4.4 General Minterm and Maxterm Expansions

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$$F' = \left[ \prod_{i=0}^7 (a_i + M_i) \right]' = \sum_{i=0}^7 a'_i M'_i = \sum_{i=0}^7 a'_i m_i$$

→ All minterm which are not present in  $F$  are present in  $F'$

$$F' = \left[ \sum_{i=0}^7 a_i m_i \right]' = \prod_{i=0}^7 (a'_i + m'_i) = \prod_{i=0}^7 (a'_i + M_i)$$

→ All maxterm which are not present in  $F$  are present in  $F'$

$$F = \sum_{i=0}^{2^n-1} a_i m_i = \prod_{i=0}^{2^n-1} (a_i + M_i)$$
$$F' = \sum_{i=0}^{2^n-1} a'_i m_i = \prod_{i=0}^{2^n-1} (a'_i + M_i)$$

## 4.4 General Minterm and Maxterm Expansions

*If  $i$  and  $j$  are different,  $m_i m_j = 0$*

$$f_1 = \sum_{i=0}^{2^n-1} a_i m_i \qquad f_2 = \sum_{j=0}^{2^n-1} b_j m_j$$

$$f_1 f_2 = \left( \sum_{i=0}^{2^n-1} a_i m_i \right) \left( \sum_{j=0}^{2^n-1} b_j m_j \right) = \sum_{i=0}^{2^n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{2^n-1} a_i b_j m_i m_j = \sum_{i=0}^{2^n-1} a_i b_i m_i$$

Example

$$f_1 = \sum m(0,2,3,5,9,11) \quad \text{and} \quad f_2 = \sum m(0,3,9,11,13,14)$$

$$f_1 f_2 = \sum m(0,3,9,11)$$

# Conversion between minterm and maxterm expansions of $F$ and $F'$

	Minterm Expansion of $F$	Maxterm Expansion of $F$	Minterm Expansion of $F'$	Maxterm Expansion of $F'$
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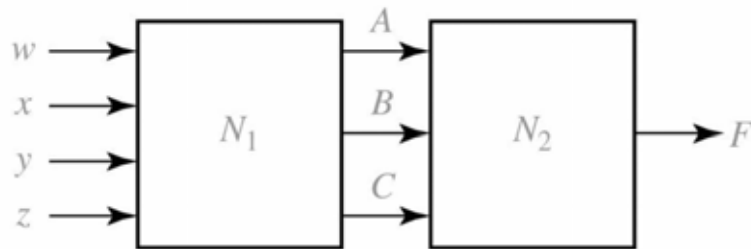
Table 4-3

## Example

	Minterm Expansion of $f$	Maxterm Expansion of $f$	Minterm Expansion of $f'$	Maxterm Expansion of $f'$
$f = \sum m(3,4,5,6,7)$		$\prod M(0,1,2)$	$\sum m(0,1,2)$	$\prod M(3,4,5,6,7)$
$f = \prod M(0,1,2)$	$\sum m(3,4,5,6,7)$		$\sum m(0,1,2)$	$\prod M(3,4,5,6,7)$



## 4.5 Incompletely Specified Functions



If  $N_1$  output does not generate all possible combination of  $A, B, C$ , the output of  $N_2(F)$  has 'don't care' values.

Truth Table with Don't Cares

A	B	C	F
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	X
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	X
1	1	1	1

## 4.5 Incompletely Specified Functions

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Finding  
Function:

Case 1: assign '0' on X's

$$F = A'B'C' + A'BC + ABC = A'B'C' + BC$$

Case 2: assign '1' to the first X and '0' to the second 'X'

$$F = A'B'C' + A'B'C + A'BC + ABC = A'B' + BC$$

Case 3: assign '1' on X's

$$F = A'B'C' + A'B'C + A'BC + ABC' + ABC = A'B' + BC + AB$$

→ The case 2 leads to the simplest function

## 4.5 Incompletely Specified Functions

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- Minterm expansion for incompletely specified function

$$F = \sum m(0,3,7) + \sum d(1,6)$$

Don't Cares

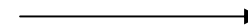
- Maxterm expansion for incompletely specified function

$$F = \prod M(2,4,5) \prod D(1,6)$$

## 4.6 Examples of Truth Table Construction

### Example 1 : Binary Adder

a	b	Sum	
0	0	0 0	0+0=0
0	1	0 1	0+1=1
1	0	0 1	1+0=1
1	1	1 0	1+1=2

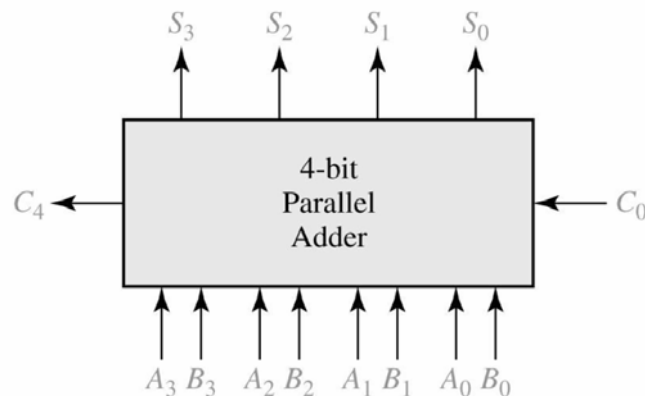


A	B	X	Y
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

$$X = AB, Y = A'B + AB' = A \oplus B$$

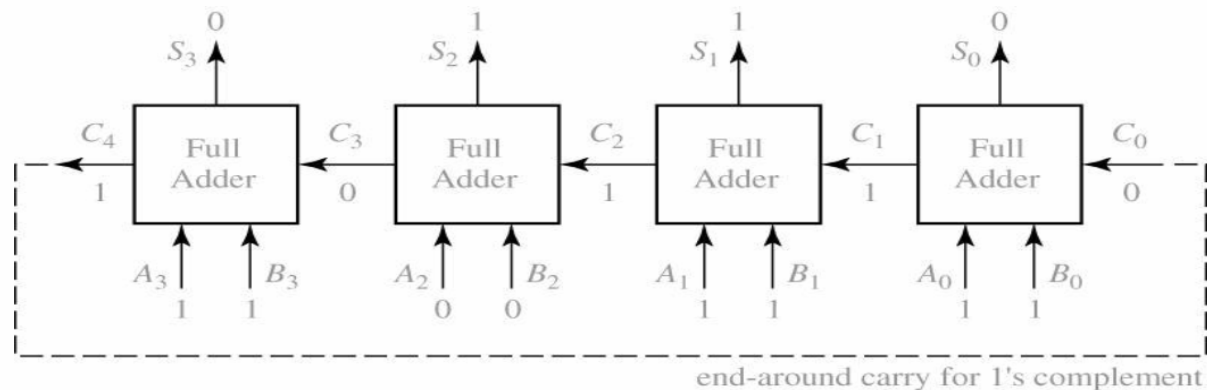
## 4.7 Design of Binary Adders and Subtractors

### Parallel Adder for 4 bit Binary Numbers

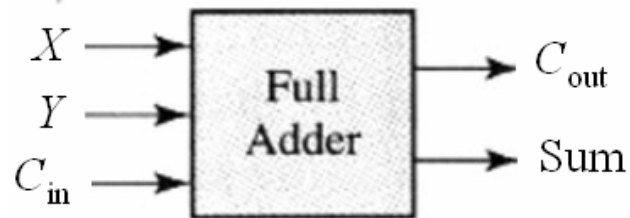


$$\begin{array}{r} 10110 \text{ (carries)} \\ 1011 \\ + 1011 \\ \hline 10110 \end{array}$$

Parallel adder composed of four full adders  $\leftarrow$  Carry Ripple Adder (slow!)



## 4.7 Design of Binary Adders and Subtractors



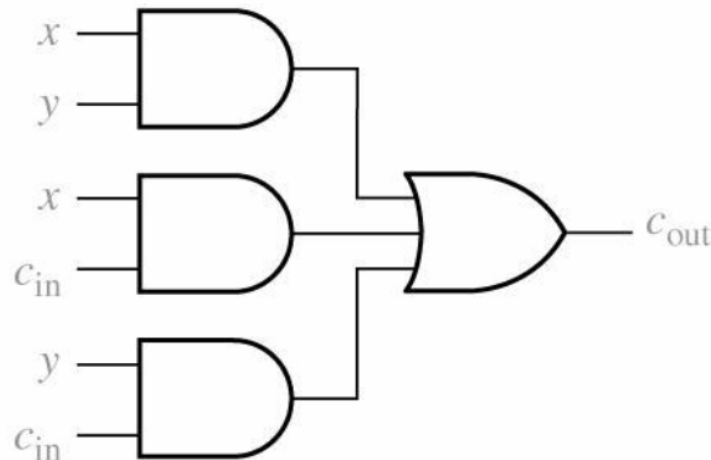
Truth Table for a Full Adder

$X$	$Y$	$C_{in}$	$C_{out}$	$Sum$
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

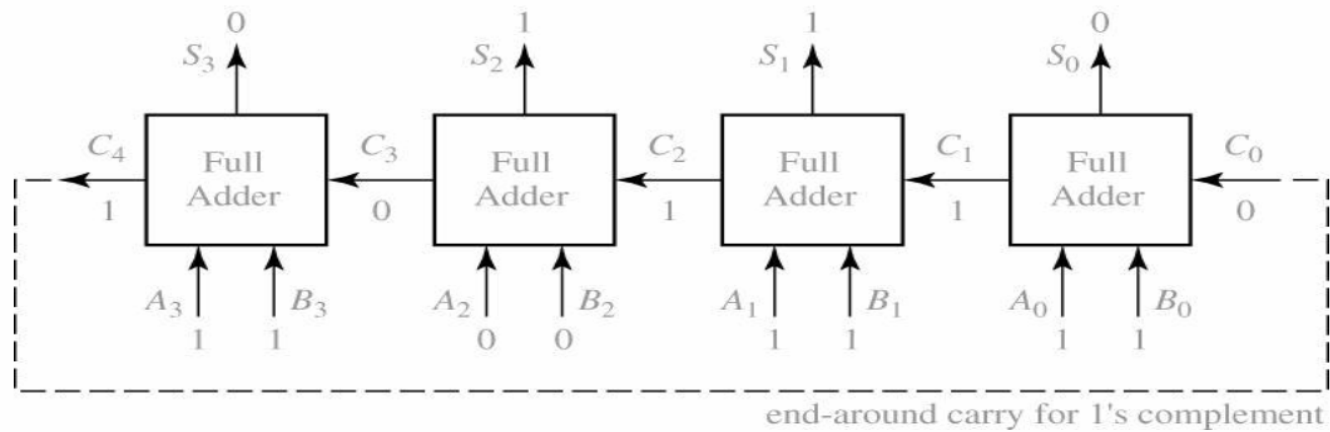
## 4.7 Design of Binary Adders and Subtractors

$$\begin{aligned} Sum &= X'Y'C_{in} + X'YC'_{in} + XY'C'_{in} + XYC_{in} \\ &= X'(Y'C_{in} + YC'_{in}) + X(Y'C'_{in} + YC_{in}) \\ &= X'(Y \oplus C_{in}) + X(Y \oplus C_{in})' = X \oplus Y \oplus C_{in} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_{out} &= X'YC_{in} + XY'C_{in} + XYC'_{in} + XYC_{in} \\ &= (X'YC_{in} + XYC_{in}) + (XY'C_{in} + XYC'_{in}) + (XYC'_{in} + XYC_{in}) \\ &= YC_{in} + XC_{in} + XY \end{aligned}$$



When 1's complement is used, the end-around carry is accomplished by connecting C4 to C0 input.



Overflow(V) when adding two signed binary number

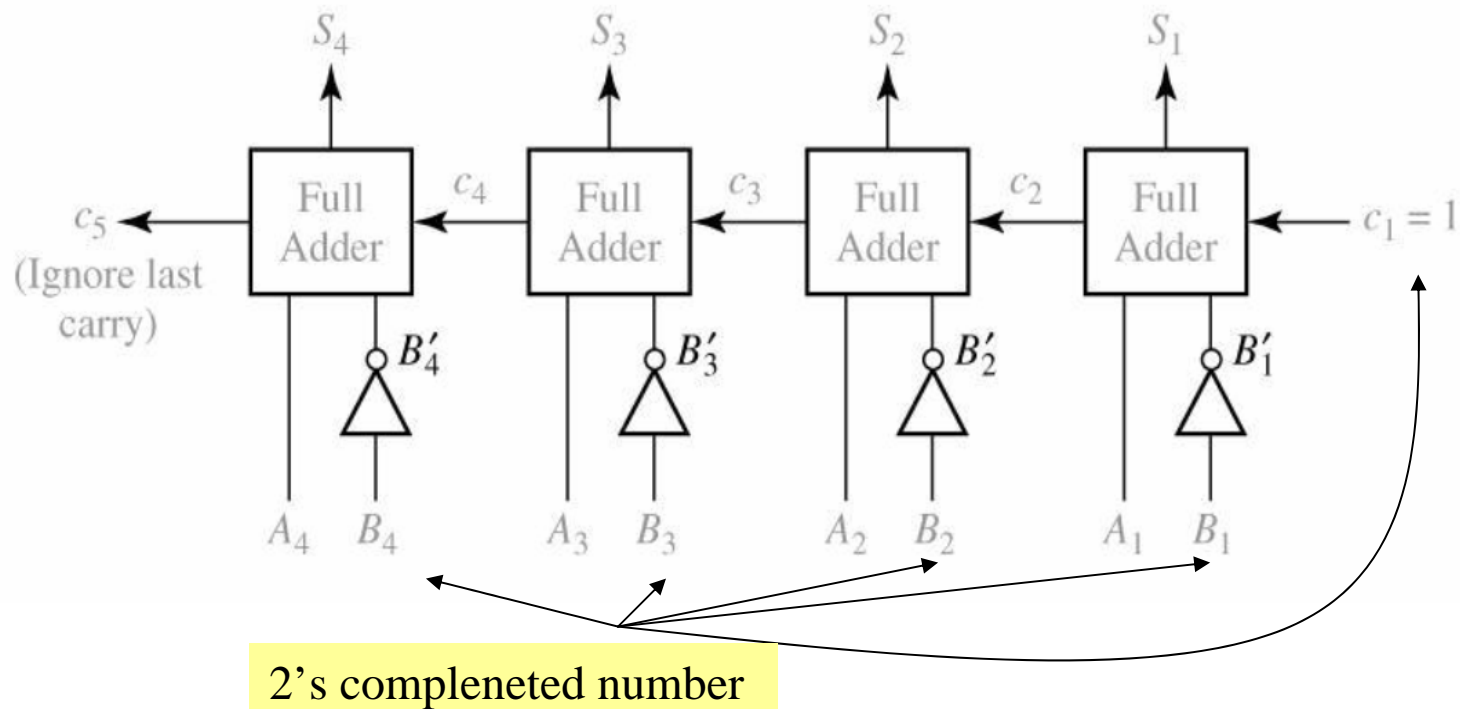
$$V = A'_3 B'_3 S_3 + A_3 B_3 S'_3$$



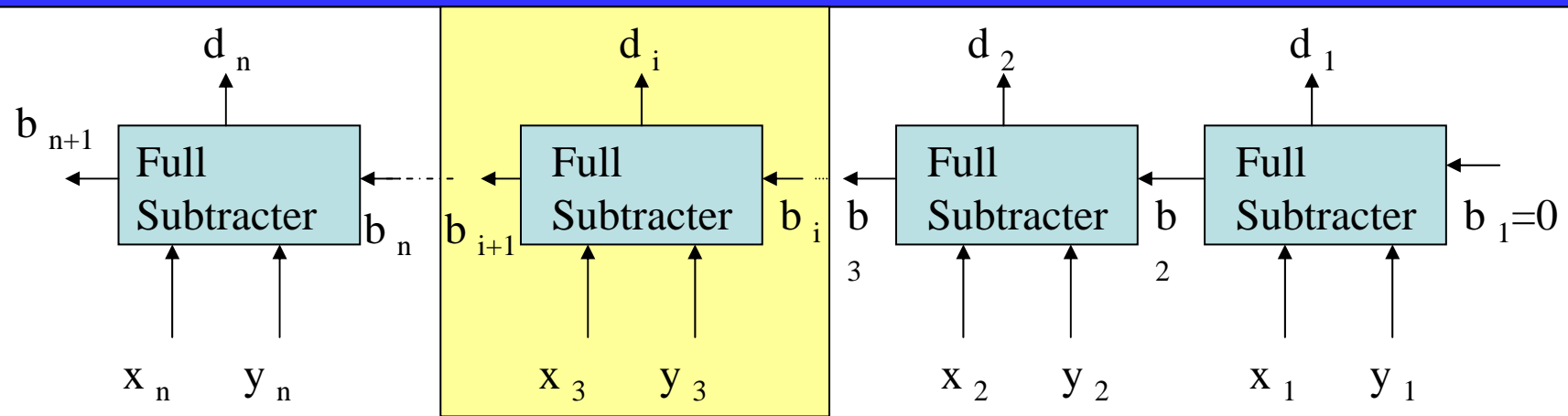
# Subtractors

## Binary Subtractor using full adder

- Subtraction is done by adding the 2's complemented number to be subtracted



# Subtractors- using Full Subtractor



Truth Table for a Full Subtractor

$x_i$	$y_i$	$b_i$	$b_{i+1}$	$d_i$
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1