

Flow of an 8-Bit BCD Adder

1. Input Breakdown:

- Inputs are 8-bit numbers, $A[7:0]$ and $B[7:0]$.
- Split the inputs into **two 4-bit groups**:
 - **Low nibble** (least significant 4 bits): $A[3:0]$ and $B[3:0]$.
 - **High nibble** (most significant 4 bits): $A[7:4]$ and $B[7:4]$.

2. Step 1: Low Nibble Addition:

- Add the low nibbles: $A[3:0] + B[3:0]$.
- If the sum is greater than 9 (invalid BCD), correct it by adding 6 (BCD adjustment).

3. Carry from Low Nibble:

- If there is an overflow (carry) from the low nibble addition, pass it as a carry (C_{low}) to the high nibble addition.

4. Step 2: High Nibble Addition:

- Add the high nibbles: $A[7:4] + B[7:4] + C_{low}$ (carry from the low nibble).
- If the sum is greater than 9 (invalid BCD), correct it by adding 6.

5. Carry from High Nibble:

- If there is an overflow (carry) from the high nibble addition, it becomes the **final carry out**.

6. Output Assembly:

- Combine the adjusted high nibble and low nibble to form the final 8-bit BCD result.

7. Outputs:

- **Sum**: 8-bit BCD result.
- **Carry**: Final carry out, indicating overflow beyond 2 digits.