

Overflow

- When adding 2 n-bit numbers it is possible to get a n+1 bit result if there is a carry out.
- The rule is, if the carry-in to the sign bit position differs from the carry-out position of the sign bit, then an overflow has occurred.

Example 1: Add (+70) to (+80) is:

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Carries 0 1 — overflow
+70 0 100 0110
+80 0 101 0000
+150 1 001 0110
```

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Example 2: Add (-70) and (-80)

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Carries 1 0 → overflow
-70 1 011 1010
-80 1 011 0000
-150 0 110 1010
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• The circuit

