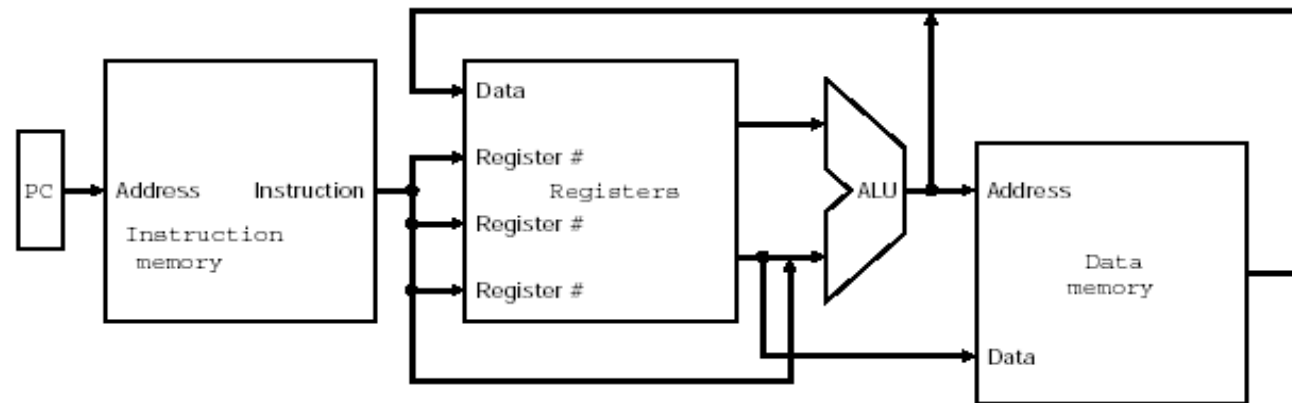


# CPU



**CPU = datapath + control**

**ALU: arithmetic/logic unit**

**performs operations to execute arithmetic and logical instructions**

## ALU: 1-bit

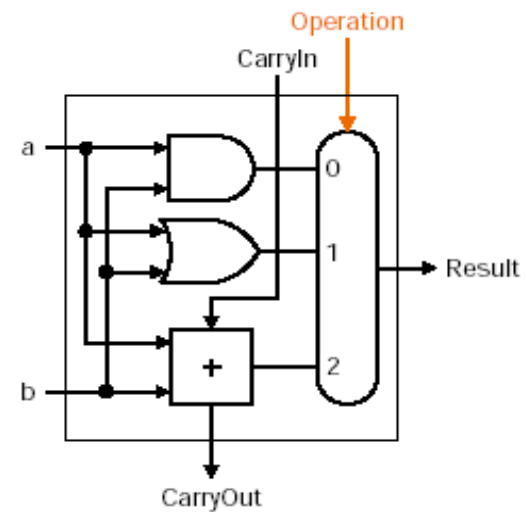
We now have the ingredients for a simple 1-bit arithmetic-logic unit (ALU)

**Operations:**    **ADD**         $a + b + c_{in}$   
                  **AND**         $a \text{ AND } b$   
                  **OR**          $a \text{ OR } b$

**Inputs:**        **data:**         $a, b, c_{in}$   
                  **control:**     $con_1, con_2$

**Outputs:**        **result, c<sub>out</sub>**

**Components:**   **AND gate**  
                      **OR gate**  
                      **Full adder**  
                      **4-1 MUX**



1-bit ALU (Fig. 4.14)

(Operation is 2-bit control  $con_1, con_2$ )

Can construct k-bit ALU by combining k 1-bit ALUs

What other operations could we have?

## ALU: 1-bit

How about subtraction?

We can use the adder to add the negated form of the operand

$$a - b = a + (-b)$$

Add an inverter to the circuit to negate b

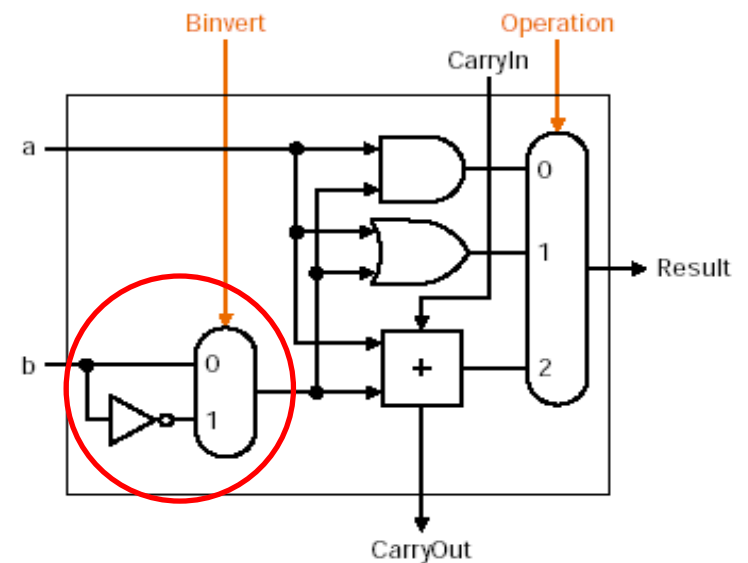
This gives 1's complement

How do we get 2C value?

Use  $c_{in} = 1$  for least significant bit

$$a + \sim b + 1 = a + (\sim b + 1) = a + (-b) = a - b$$

Another MUX with control input Binvert  
can select b or -b



1-bit ALU with subtraction  
(Fig. 4.16)

## ALU: 1-bit

This ALU can perform most of the data operations in the MIPS instruction set

Another operation, useful for branching: set on less than (`slt`)

Set the `lsb` to 1 if `rs < rt`, and 0 otherwise

If  $(a-b)$  is negative, then  $a < b$ :  $(a - b) < 0$

$$(a - b) + b < 0 + b$$

$$a < b$$

Result is same as sign bit from subtraction: Connect sign bit from adder to `lsb` of output

Unfortunately, we can only do 1 ALU operation at a time (`add` or `slt`)

Need a new 1-bit ALU for the `msb`

with an extra output from adder

Extra output: `Set`

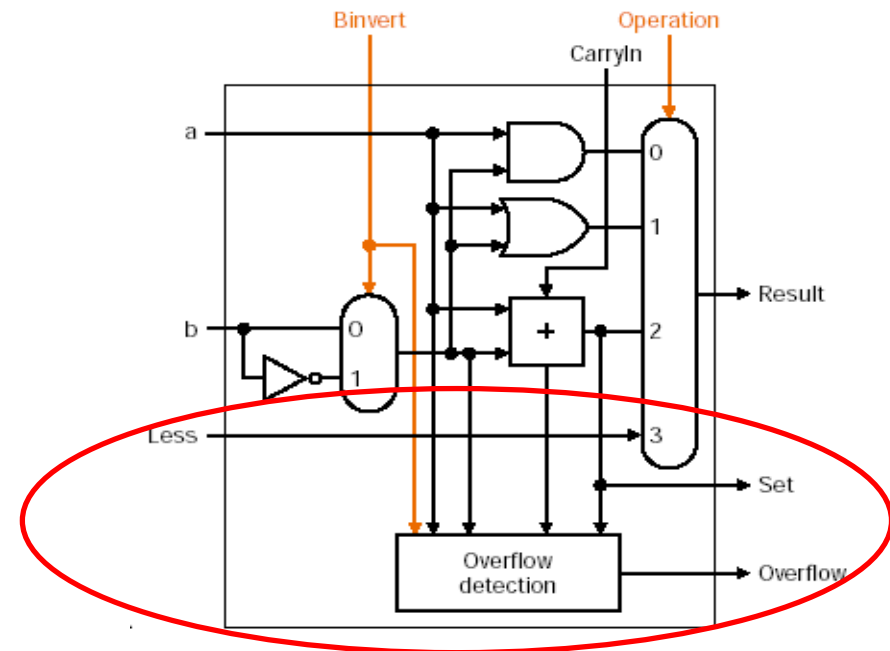
Additional MUX data input: `Less`

0 for all except `lsb`

Set value for `lsb`

Also add overflow detection

1-bit ALU with set on less than  
(Fig. 4.17b)



## ALU: k-bit

To operate on k-bit values,  
we can connect k 1-bit ALU's

32-bit ALU is constructed using 32  
1-bit ALU's

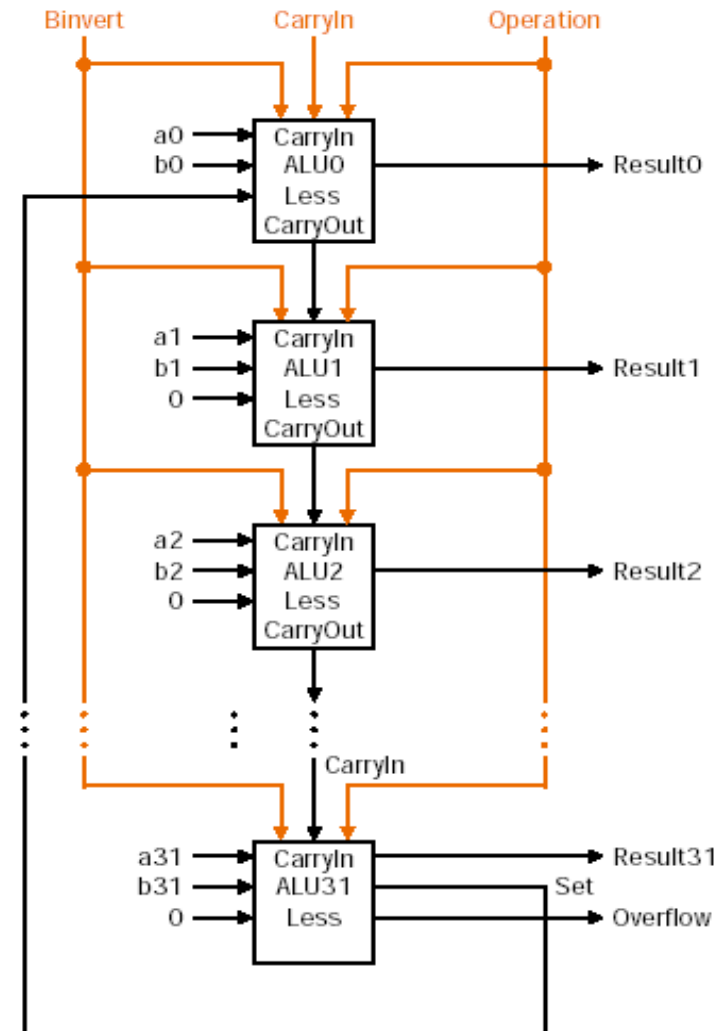
Input bits are connected in pairs  
Control bits (Binvert, Operation)  
are connected to each ALU

$c_{out}$  from each ALU is connected to  
 $c_{in}$  of next most significant bit ALU  
(ripple carry)

$c_{in}$  for lsb is 1 for subtract operation  
set from ALU31 (msb) is connected  
to Less input of ALU0 (lsb)  
(0 input for all other ALUs)

Overflow from ALU31 is additional output

32-bit ALU (Fig. 4.18)



## ALU: k-bit

What about conditional branch?

Branch if 2 values are either equal or not equal

Easiest way to test if  $a == b$ : subtract, test result:

OR all result bits together and complement

One more refinement: combine Binvert and CarryIn control values into Bnegate:

subtract: both are 1

add or logical ops: both are 0

Bnegate (1 bit) and Operation (2 bits) are 3-bit control for MUX:

control	function
000	AND
001	OR
010	ADD
110	SUB
111	SLT

## ALU: k-bit

**Additions:**

**Bnegate control input**  
to subtract

**Zero output:**  
inverted OR of  
all outputs

**Input: a, b**

**Control:**

**Bnegate**

**Operation**

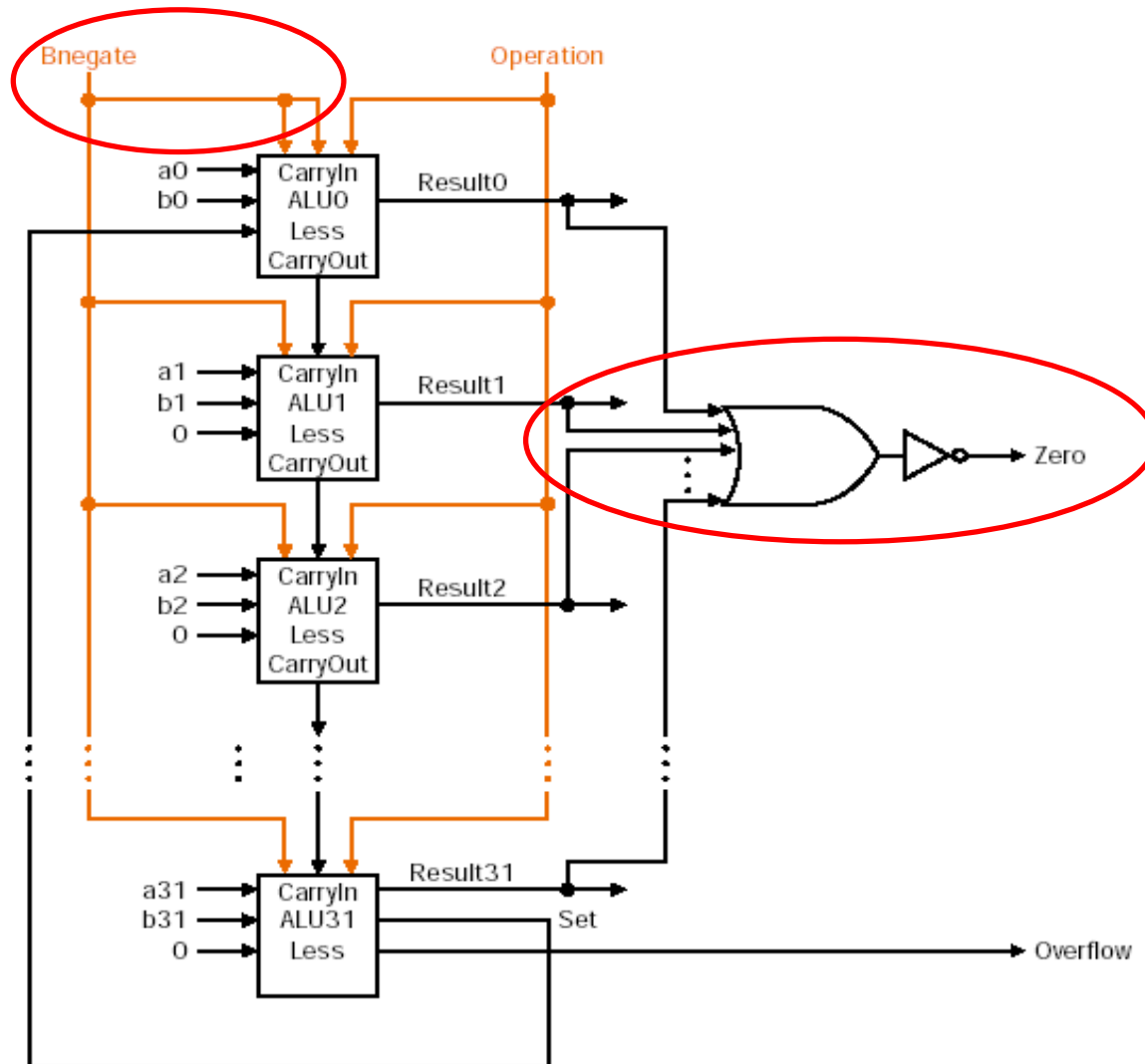
**Output:**

**Result**

**Zero**

**Overflow**

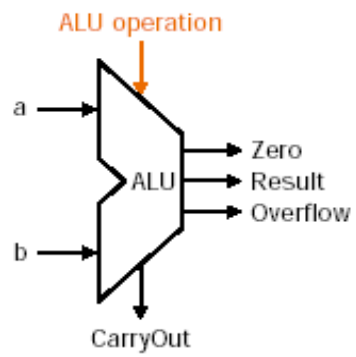
**32-bit ALU with zero  
detection  
(Fig. 4.19)**



## ALU: k-bit

Universal symbol to represent ALU

Can also be used for adder alone, so labeled accordingly



(Fig. 4.21)



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