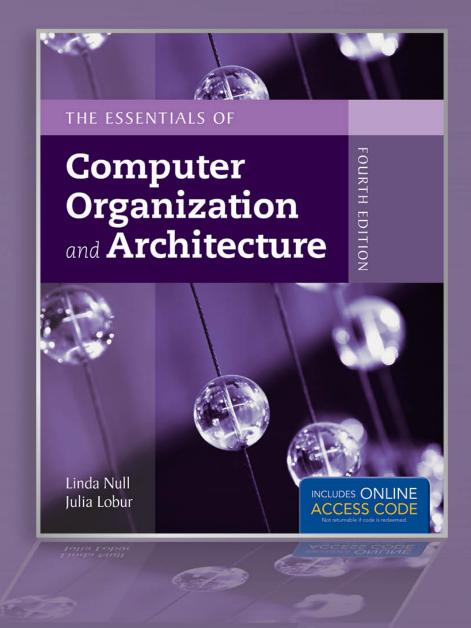
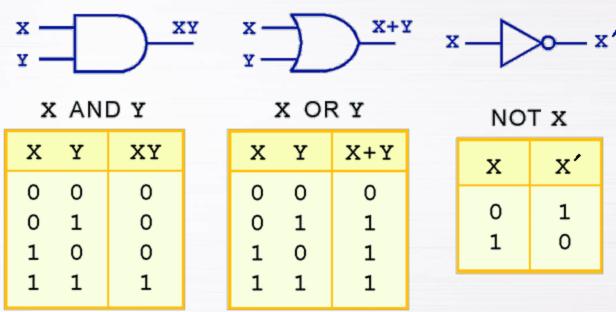
Chapter 3

Boolean Algebra and Digital Logic



- Boolean algebra is an abstract system.
- In this section, we see that Boolean functions can be implemented in digital circuits consisting of gates.
- A gate is an electronic device that produces a result based on two or more input values.

The three simplest gates are the AND, OR, and NOT gates.

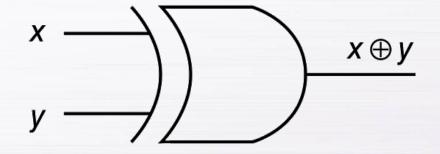


 They correspond directly to their respective Boolean operations, as you can see by their truth tables.

- Another very useful gate is the exclusive OR (XOR) gate.
- The output of the XOR operation is true only when the values of the inputs differ.

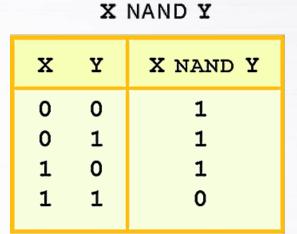
X XOR Y

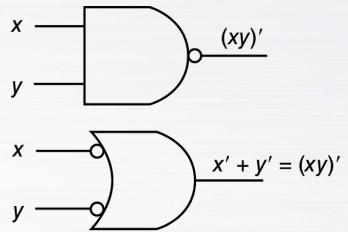
x	Y	$X \oplus X$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0



Note the special symbol \oplus for the XOR operation.

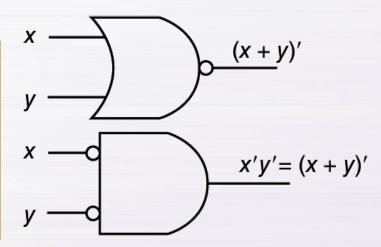
 NAND and NOR are two very important gates. Their symbols and truth tables are shown at the right.



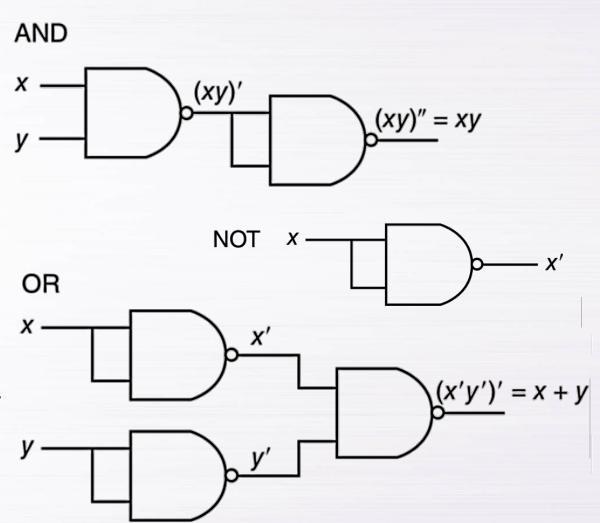


X NOR Y

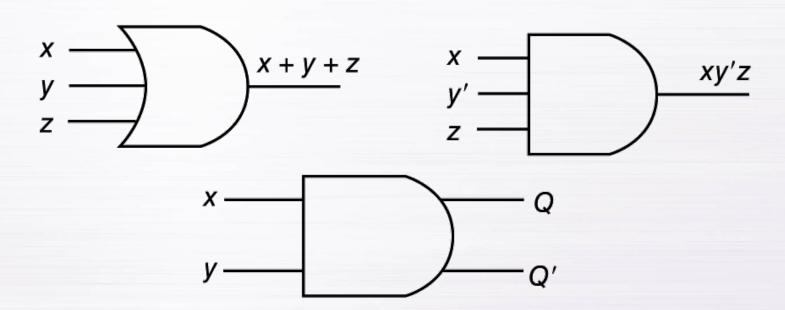
x	Y	X NOR Y
0	0	1
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1	0	0
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NAND and **NOR** are known as universal gates because they are cheap to manufacture and any Boolean function can be constructed using only **NAND** or only NOR gates.

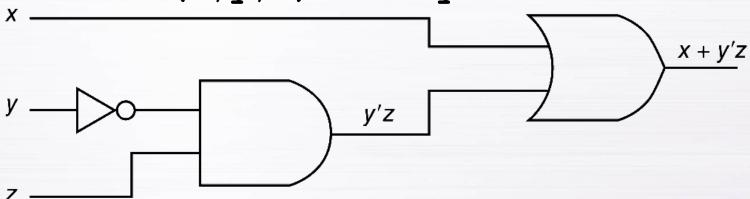


- Gates can have multiple inputs and more than one output.
 - A second output can be provided for the complement of the operation.



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We simplify our Boolean expressions so that we can create simpler circuits.

 We have designed a combinational circuit that implements the Boolean function:

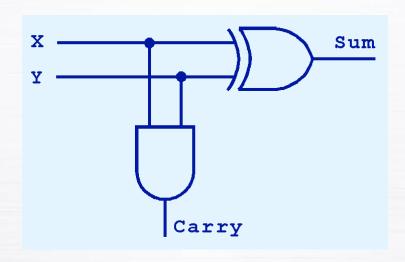
$$F(X,Y,Z) = X+YZ$$

- Combinational logic circuits produce a specified output (almost) at the instant when input values are applied.
 - In a later section, we will explore circuits where this is not the case.

- Combinational logic circuits give us many useful devices.
- One of the simplest is the half adder, which finds the sum of two bits.
- We can gain some insight as to the construction of a half adder by looking at its truth table, shown at the right.

Inputs		Outputs		
х	Y	Sum	Carry	
0	0	0	0	
0	1	1	0	
1	0	1	0	
1	1	0	1	

 As we see, the sum can be found using the XOR operation and the carry using the AND operation.

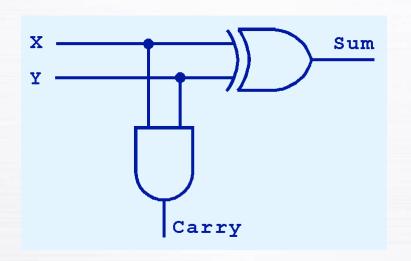


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х	Y	Sum	Carry	
0	0	0	0	
0	1	1	0	
1	0	1	0	
1	1	0	1	

- We can extend our half adder to to a full adder by including gates for processing the carry bit.
- The truth table for a full adder is shown at the right.

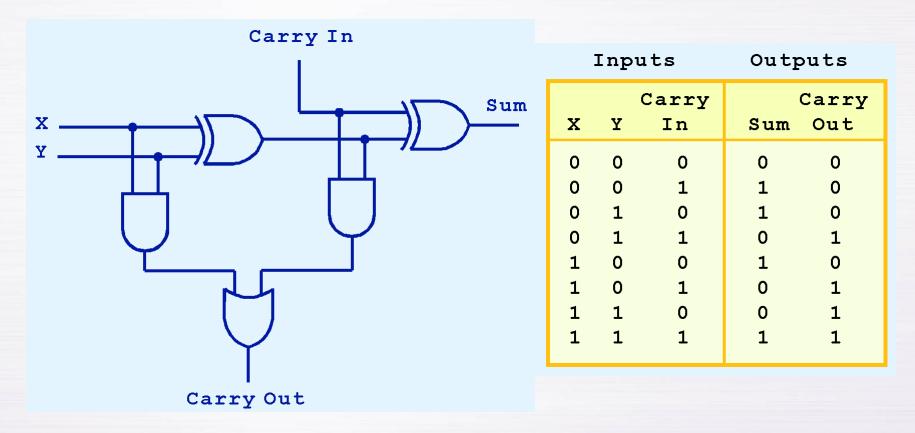
Inputs			Outputs		
х	Y	Carry In	Carry Sum Out		
0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	1	1	0	
0	1	0	1	0	
0	1	1	0	1	
1	0	0	1	0	
1	0	1	0	1	
1	1	0	0	1	
1	1	1	1	1	

 How can we change the half adder shown below to make it a full adder?

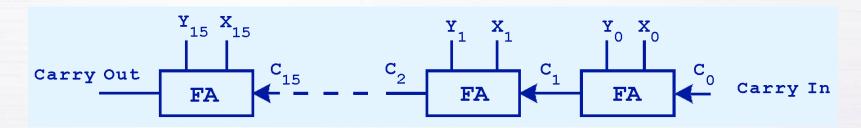


Inputs			Outputs	
х	Y	Carry In	Sum	Carry Out
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

Here's our completed full adder.



- Just as we combined half adders to make a full adder, full adders can connected in series.
- The carry bit "ripples" from one adder to the next; hence, this configuration is called a ripplecarry adder.



- Decoders are another important type of combinational circuit.
- Among other things, they are useful in selecting a memory location according a binary value placed on the address lines of a memory bus.

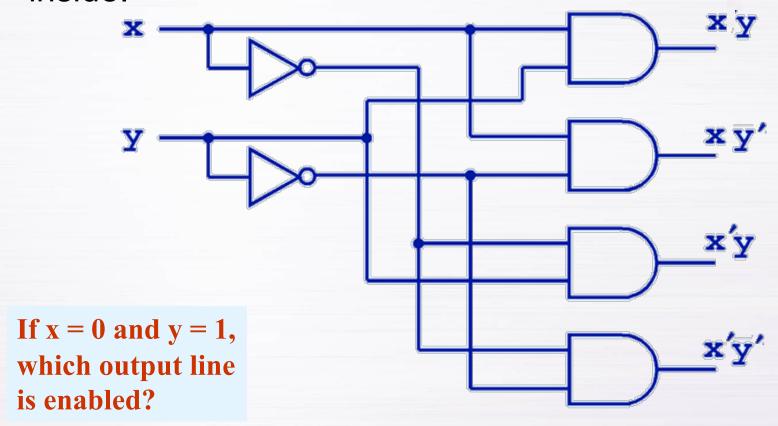
Address decoders with *n* inputs can select any of

2ⁿ locations.

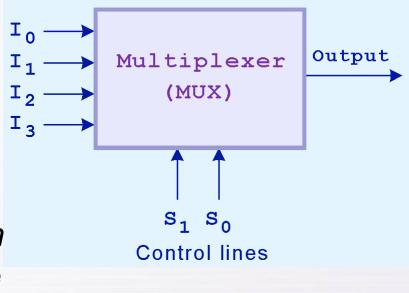
This is a block diagram for a decoder.



This is what a 2-to-4 decoder looks like on the inside.

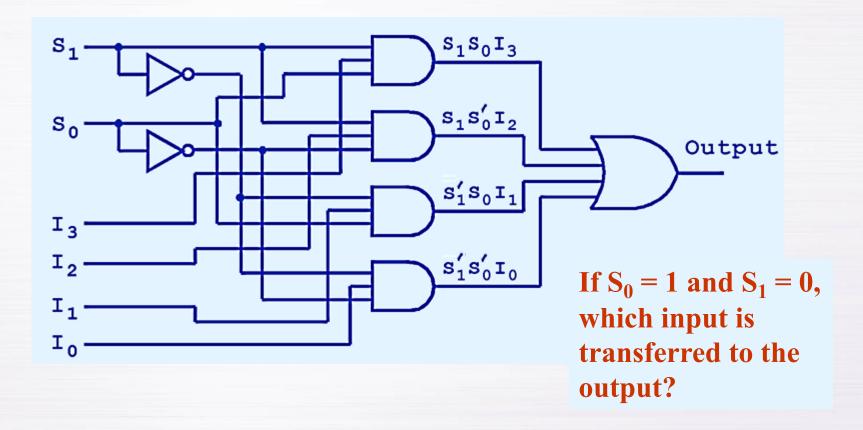


- A multiplexer selects a single output from several inputs.
- The particular input chosen for output is determined by the value of the multiplexer's control lines.
- To be able to select among n inputs, log₂n control lines are needed.

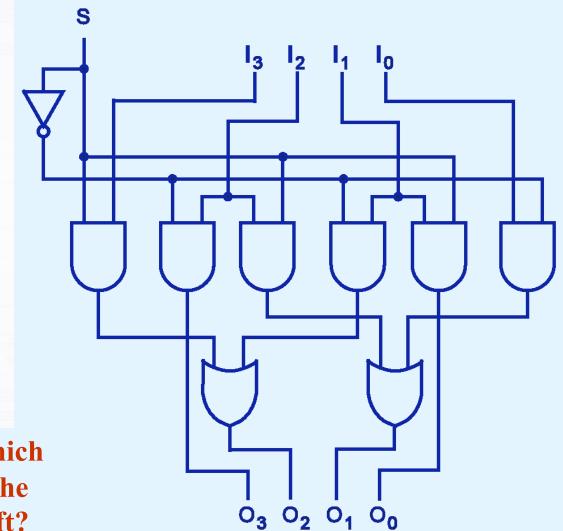


This is a block diagram for a multiplexer.

This is what a 4-to-1 multiplexer looks like on the inside.



This shifter
moves the
bits of a
nibble one
position to the
left or right.



If S = 0, in which direction do the input bits shift?