

### Terminology for K-maps

- Implicant: A product term (grouping of 1's) that covers a subset of cases where  $F=1$ 
  - the product term is said to “imply”  $F$  because if the product term evaluates to ‘1’ then  $F=1$
- Prime Implicant: The largest grouping of 1's (smallest product term) that can be made
- Essential Prime Implicant: A prime implicant (product term) that is needed to cover all the 1's of  $F$

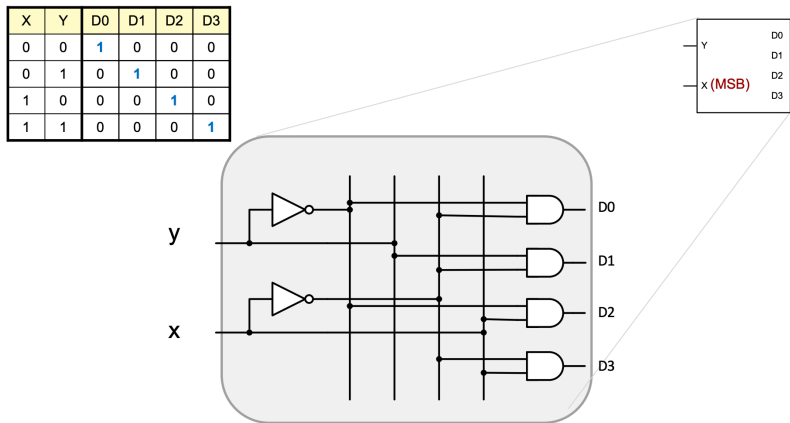
### Common Logic Structures

- Decoder
- Multiplexer
- Adder
- Register

### Decoder

- Takes in an  $n$ -bit binary number as input
- Decodes that binary number and activates the corresponding output
- Individual outputs for ALL  $2^n$  input combinations

- Complete the design of a 2-to-4 decoder



### Enables

- In a normal decoder exactly one output is active at all times
- It may be undesirable to always have an active output
- We can add an extra input (called an enable) that can independently force all the outputs to their inactive values

### General Tree Decoder Approach

- Step 1: Outputs of one stage should connect to the enables of the next stage
- Step 2: All decoders in a stage (level) should decode the same bit(s)
  - Usually, the MSB is connected to the first stage and LSB to the last stage

### Multiplexer

- Multiplexers are one of the most common digital circuits
- Anatomy:  $n$  data inputs,  $\log_2 n$  select bits, 1 output
- A multiplexer (“mux” for short) selects one data input and passes it to the output

## Exercise: Build a 4-to-1 mux

- Complete the 4-to-1 mux to the right by drawing wires between the 2-to-4 decoder and the AND gates

