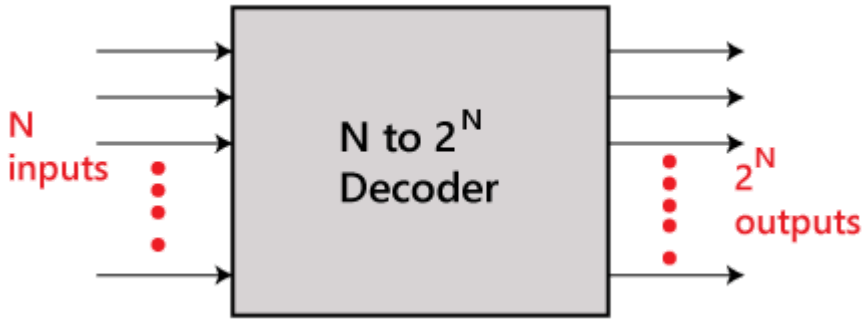
Decoder

The combinational circuit that change the binary information into 2^N output lines is known as **Decoders.** The binary information is passed in the form of N input lines. The output lines define the 2^N-bit code for the binary information. In simple words, the **Decoder** performs the reverse operation of the **Encoder**. At a time, only one input line is activated for simplicity. The produced 2^N-bit output code is equivalent to the binary information.

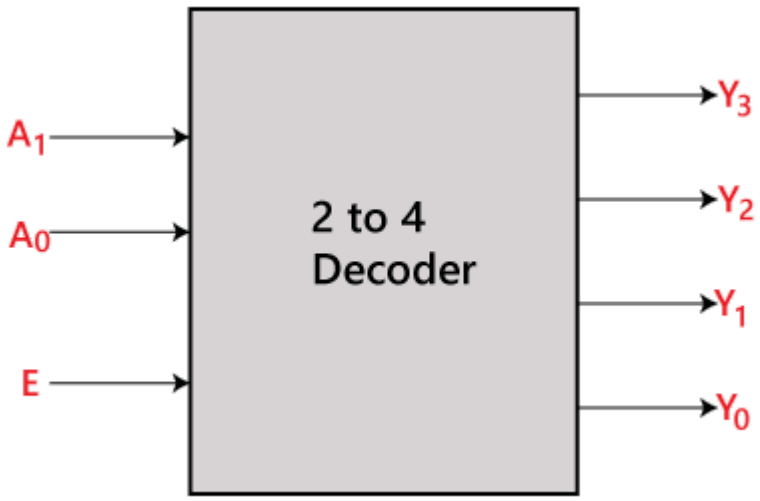


There are various types of decoders which are as follows:

2 to 4 line decoder:

In the 2 to 4 line decoder, there is a total of three inputs, i.e., A_0, and A_1 and E and four outputs, i.e., Y_0, Y_1, Y_2, and Y_3. For each combination of inputs, when the enable 'E' is set to 1, one of these four outputs will be 1. The block diagram and the truth table of the 2 to 4 line decoder are given below.

Block Diagram:



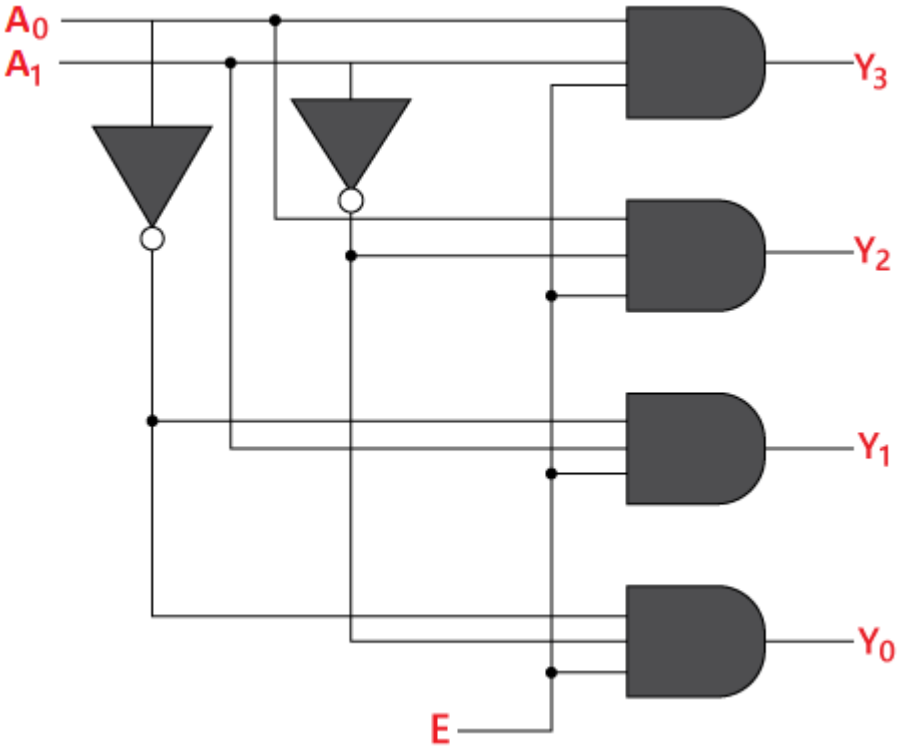
Truth Table:

Enable	INPUTS		OUTPUTS			
E	A_1	A_0	Y_3	Y_2	Y_1	Y_0
0	X	X	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	0

The logical expression of the term Y0, Y0, Y2, and Y3 is as follows:

$Y_3=E.A_1.A_0$
$Y_2=E.A_1.A_0'$
$Y_1=E.A_1'.A_0$
$Y0=E.A_1'.A_0'$

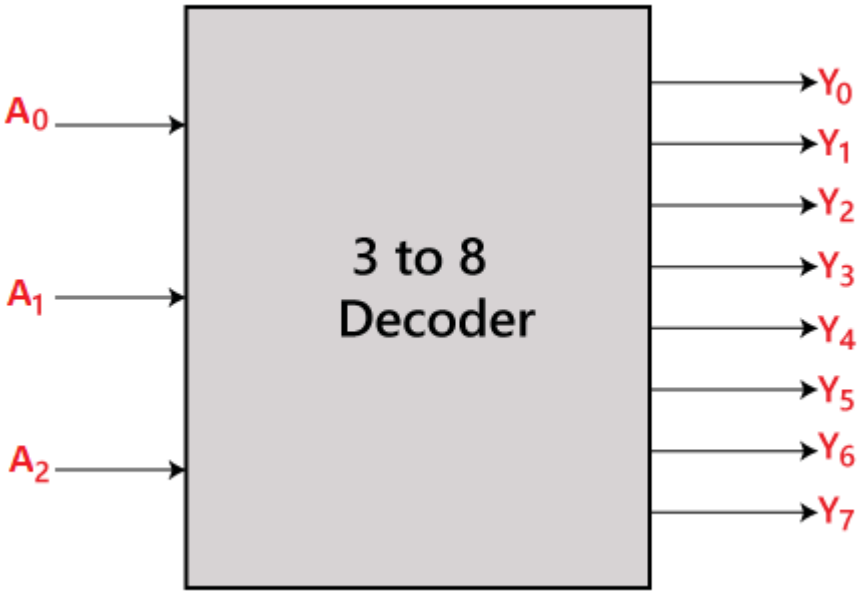
Logical circuit of the above expressions is given below:



3 to 8 line decoder:

The 3 to 8 line decoder is also known as **Binary to Octal Decoder**. In a 3 to 8 line decoder, there is a total of eight outputs, i.e., Y_0, Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4, Y_5, Y_6, and Y_7 and three outputs, i.e., A_0, A1, and A_2. This circuit has an enable input 'E'. Just like 2 to 4 line decoder, when enable 'E' is set to 1, one of these four outputs will be 1. The block diagram and the truth table of the 3 to 8 line encoder are given below.

Block Diagram:



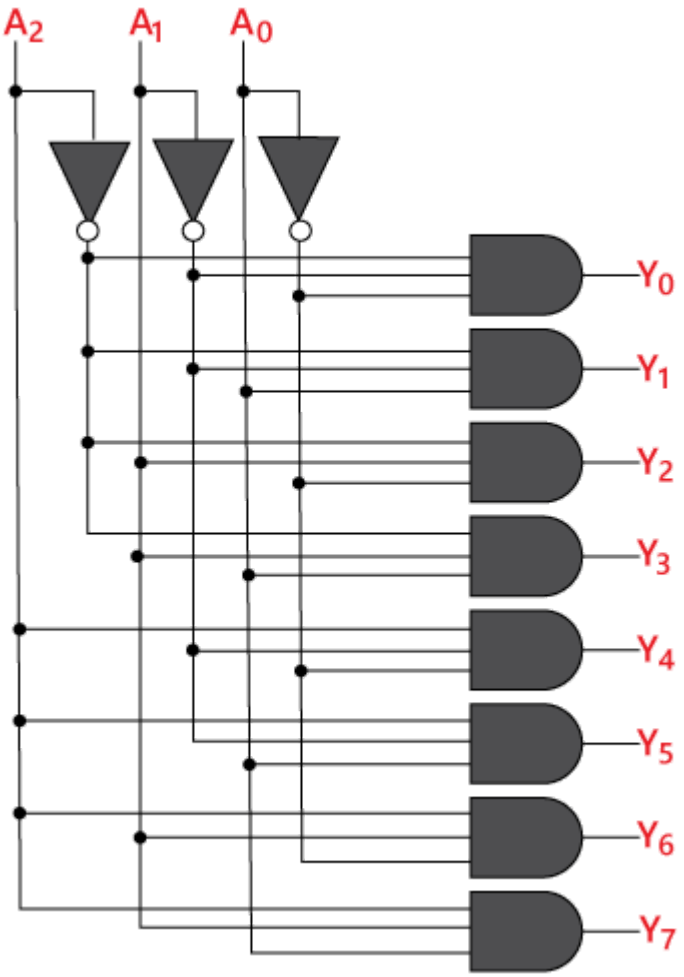
Truth Table:

Enable	INPUTS			Outputs							
E	A_2	A_1	A_0	Y_7	Y_6	Y_5	Y_4	Y_3	Y_2	Y_1	Y_0
0	x	x	x	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

The logical expression of the term Y_0, Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4, Y_5, Y_6, and Y_7 is as follows:

$Y_0=A_0'.A_1'.A_2'$
$Y_1=A_0.A_1'.A_2'$
$Y_2=A_0'.A_1.A_2'$
$Y_3=A_0.A_1.A_2'$
$Y_4=A_0'.A_1'.A_2$
$Y_5=A_0.A_1'.A_2$
$Y_6=A_0'.A_1.A_2$
$Y_7=A_0.A_1.A_2$

Logical circuit of the above expressions is given below:



4 to 16 line Decoder

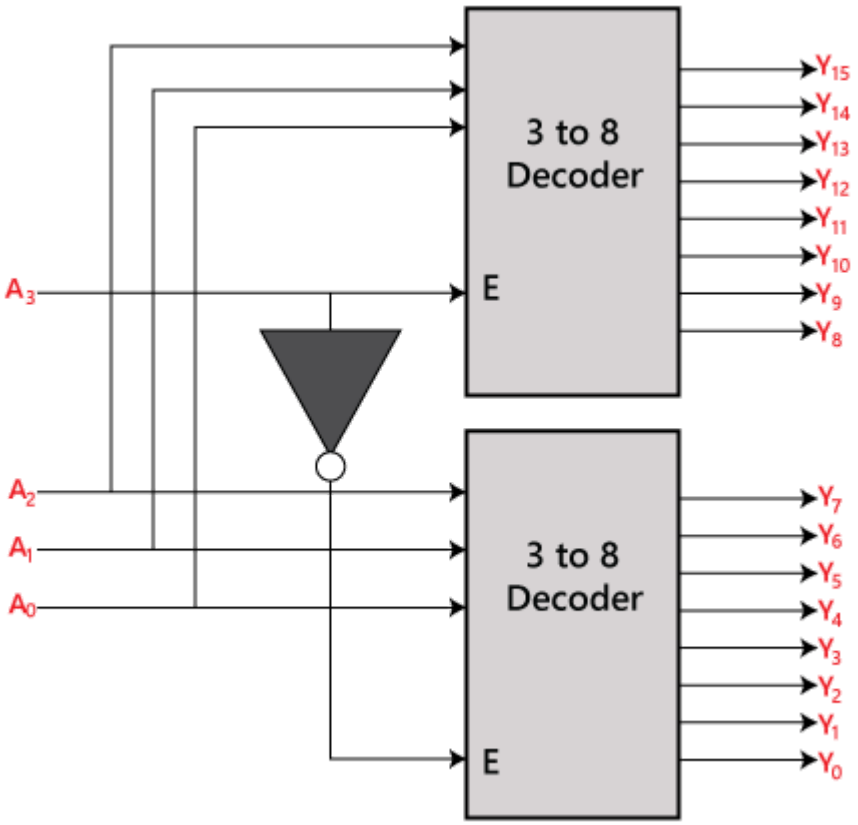
In the 4 to 16 line decoder, there is a total of 16 outputs, i.e., Y_0, Y_1, Y_2,....., Y_{16} and four inputs, i.e., A_0, A1, A_2, and A_3. The 3 to 16 line decoder can be constructed using either 2 to 4 decoder or 3 to 8 decoder. There is the following formula used to find the required number of lower-order decoders.

Required number of lower order decoders=m_2/m_1

$m_1 = 8$
$m_2 = 16$

Required number of 3 to 8 decoders= $\frac{16}{8}$ =2

Block Diagram:



Truth Table:

INPUTS				OUTPUTS															
A_3	A_2	A_1	A_0	Y_{15}	Y_{14}	Y_{13}	Y_{12}	Y_{11}	Y_{10}	Y_9	Y_8	Y_7	Y_6	Y_5	Y_4	Y_3	Y_2	Y_1	Y_0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
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1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

The logical expression of the term A0, A1, A2,..., A15 are as follows:

$Y_0=A_0'.A_1'.A_2'.A_3'$
$Y_1=A_0'.A_1'.A_2'.A_3$
$Y_2=A_0'.A_1'.A_2.A_3'$
$Y_3=A_0'.A_1'.A_2.A_3$
$Y_4=A_0'.A_1.A_2'.A_3'$
$Y_5=A_0'.A_1.A_2'.A_3$
$Y_6=A_0'.A_1.A_2.A_3'$
$Y_7=A_0'.A_1.A_2.A_3$
$Y_8=A_0.A_1'.A_2'.A_3'$
$Y_9=A_0.A_1'.A_2'.A_3$
$Y_{10}=A_0.A_1'.A_2.A_3'$
$Y_{11}=A_0.A_1'.A_2.A_3$
$Y_{12}=A_0.A_1.A_2'.A_3'$
$Y_{13}=A_0.A_1.A_2'.A_3$
$Y_{14}=A_0.A_1.A_2.A_3'$
$Y_{15}=A_0.A_1.A_2'.A_3$

Logical circuit of the above expressions is given below: