# Number Systems and Number Representation



### **Goals of these Lectures**

### Help you learn (or refresh your memory) about:

- The binary, hexadecimal, and octal number systems
- Finite representation of unsigned integers
- Finite representation of signed integers
- Finite representation of rational numbers (if time)

### Why?

• A power programmer must know number systems and data representation to fully understand C's **primitive data types** 

### Agenda

**Number Systems (Lecture 1)** 

Finite representation of unsigned integers (Lecture 2)

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Finite representation of rational numbers (Lecture 4)

### **The Decimal Number System**

#### Name

"decem" (Latin) => ten

**Characteristics** 

- Ten symbols
  - 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
- Positional
  - 2945 ≠ 2495
  - $\cdot 2945 = (2*10^3) + (9*10^2) + (4*10^1) + (5*10^0)$

(Most) people use the decimal number system

# **The Binary Number System**

#### Name

• "binarius" (Latin) => two

**Characteristics** 

- Two symbols
  - 0 1
- Positional
  - $1010_{\rm B} \neq 1100_{\rm B}$

Most (digital) computers use the binary number system

### Terminology

- Bit: a binary digit
- Byte: (typically) 8 bits

# **Decimal-Binary Equivalence**

Decimal	Binary
0	0
1	1
2	10
3	11
4	100
5	101
6	110
7	111
8	1000
9	1001
10	1010
11	1011
12	1100
13	1101
14	1110
15	1111

Decimal	Binary
16	10000
17	10001
18	10010
19	10011
20	10100
21	10101
22	10110
23	10111
24	11000
25	11001
26	11010
27	11011
28	11100
29	11101
30	11110
31	11111
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### **Decimal-Binary Conversion**

Binary to decimal: expand using positional notation

 $100101_{B} = (1*2^{5}) + (0*2^{4}) + (0*2^{3}) + (1*2^{2}) + (0*2^{1}) + (1*2^{0})$ = 32 + 0 + 0 + 4 + 0 + 1 = 37

# **Decimal-Binary Conversion**

### Decimal to binary: do the reverse

• Determine largest power of 2 ≤ number; write template

 $37 = (?*2^5) + (?*2^4) + (?*2^3) + (?*2^2) + (?*2^1) + (?*2^0)$ 

• Fill in template

 $37 = (1*2^{5}) + (0*2^{4}) + (0*2^{3}) + (1*2^{2}) + (0*2^{1}) + (1*2^{0})$  -325 -41
100101<sub>B</sub> -10

# **Decimal-Binary Conversion**

### Decimal to binary shortcut

• Repeatedly divide by 2, consider remainder



Read from bottom to top:  $100101_{B}$ 

### **The Hexadecimal Number System**

#### Name

- "hexa" (Greek) => six
- "decem" (Latin) => ten

### **Characteristics**

- Sixteen symbols
  - 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F
- Positional
  - $A13D_{H} \neq 3DA1_{H}$

Computer programmers often use the hexadecimal number system

### **Decimal-Hexadecimal Equivalence**

Decimal	Hex	Decimal H	ex	Decimal	Hex
0	0	16	LO	32	20
1	1	17	L1	33	21
2	2	18	L2	34	22
3	3	19	L3	35	23
4	4	20	L4	36	24
5	5	21	L5	37	25
6	6	22	L6	38	26
7	7	23	L7	39	27
8	8	24	L8	40	28
9	9	25	L9	41	29
10	A	26	LA	42	2A
11	В	27	LB	43	2B
12	С	28	LC	44	2C
13	D	29	LD	45	2D
14	Е	30	LE	46	<b>2E</b>
15	F	31	LF	47	2F
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### **Decimal-Hexadecimal Conversion**

Hexadecimal to decimal: expand using positional notation

$$25_{\rm H} = (2*16^{1}) + (5*16^{0})$$
  
= 32 + 5  
= 37

Decimal to hexadecimal: use the shortcut

37 / 16 = 2 R 5 2 / 16 = 0 R 2 Read from bottom to top: 25<sub>H</sub>

### **Binary-Hexadecimal Conversion**

#### Observation: $16^1 = 2^4$

• Every 1 hexadecimal digit corresponds to 4 binary digits

**Binary to hexadecimal** 

**1010**00100111101<sub>B</sub> **A** 1 3 D<sub>H</sub>

Hexadecimal to binary

Digit count in binary number not a multiple of 4 => pad with zeros on left

Discard leading zeros from binary number if appropriate

# **The Octal Number System**

#### Name

"octo" (Latin) => eight

**Characteristics** 

- Eight symbols
  - 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
- Positional
  - $1743_{\circ} \neq 7314_{\circ}$

Computer programmers often use the octal number system

# **Decimal-Octal Equivalence**

Decimal	Octal	Decimal	Octal	Decimal	Octal
0	0	16	20	32	40
1	1	17	21	33	41
2	2	18	22	34	42
3	3	19	23	35	43
4	4	20	24	36	44
5	5	21	25	37	45
6	6	22	26	38	46
7	7	23	27	39	47
8	10	24	30	40	50
9	11	25	31	41	51
10	12	26	32	42	52
11	13	27	33	43	53
12	14	28	34	44	54
13	15	29	35	45	55
14	16	30	36	46	56
15	17	31	37	47	57

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### **Decimal-Octal Conversion**

Octal to decimal: expand using positional notation

$$37_{0} = (3*8^{1}) + (7*8^{0})$$
  
= 24 + 7  
= 31

Decimal to octal: use the shortcut

31 / 8 = 3 R 7 3 / 8 = 0 R 3 Read from bottom to top: 37<sub>0</sub>

# **Binary-Octal Conversion**

#### Observation: $8^1 = 2^3$

• Every 1 octal digit corresponds to 3 binary digits

Binary to octal

Digit count in binary number not a multiple of 3 => pad with zeros on left

Octal to binary

 Discard leading zeros from binary number if appropriate

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# **BitwiseAND**

- Similar to logical AND (& &), except it works on a bit-by-bit manner
- Denoted by a single ampersand: &

(1001 & 0101) = 0001

# **Bitwise OR**

- Similar to logical OR (||), except it works on a bit-by-bit manner
- Denoted by a single pipe character: |

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(1001 |
0101) =
1101
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### **Bitwise XOR**

- Exclusive OR, denoted by a carat: ^
- Similar to bitwise OR, except that if both inputs are 1 or 0 then the result is 0

 $(1001 ^{0}) = 1100$ 

### **Bitwise NOT**

- Similar to logical NOT (!), except it works on a bit-by-bit manner
- Denoted by a tilde character: ~

~1001 = 0110

### **BitwiseOperations as Masks**

X: it is an unknown binary number and can be either 0 or 1

AND (&) Operation:

X & 0 = 0 & X = **0** X & 1 = 1 & X = X X & X = X

OR (|) Operation:

XOR (^) Operation:

 $X ^ 1 = 1 ^ X = ^ X$  $X ^ 0 = 0 ^ X = X$  $X ^ X = 0$ 

# **Mask Example**

Specify the mask you would need to isolate bit 0 of the unknown number. The result of the operation should be **0 (0x0000) if bit 0 is 0, and non-zero if bit 0 is 1**. Express it as a 4-digit hexadecimal number.

#### Answer:

We know that 1 hexadecimal digit = 4 bits in binary

 $15... \quad ..... 3 2 1 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{ Bit position} \\ \text{XXXX XXXX XXXX XXXX} \quad \leftarrow \text{Unknown number} \\ \text{Operation --> ? ???? ???? ???? ????} \quad \leftarrow \text{Mask} \\ \text{if bit 0 is 0 } 0000 0000 0000 0000 \leftarrow \text{ zero (0x0000)} \\ \text{if bit 0 is 1 } 0000 0000 0000 0001 \leftarrow \text{ nonzero (0x0001)} \\ \end{array}$ 

In this case, we can use AND operation (**&**) and then the mask(16 bits) will be as 0000 0000 0000 0001 => 0001 in hexadecimal

Therefore, the answer is answer & as the operation and 0x0001 as the mask.

# Mask Example

Specify the mask you would need to **set bit 1 of the unknown number to zero**. That is, the result of this operation results in a new number, which the unknown number will be subsequently set to. Express it as a 4-digit hexadecimal number.



# Unsigned Data Types: Java vs. C

### Java has type

- int
  - Can represent signed integers

### C has type:

- signed int
  - Can represent signed integers
- int
  - Same as signed int
- unsigned int
  - Can represent only unsigned integers

To understand C, must consider representation of both unsigned and signed integers

# **Representing Unsigned Integers**

### **Mathematics**

• Range is 0 to ∞

### **Computer programming**

- Range limited by computer's word size
- Word size is n bits => range is 0 to  $2^n 1$
- Exceed range => overflow

### Nobel computers with gcc217

• n = 32, so range is 0 to  $2^{32} - 1(4,294,967,295)$ 

### **Pretend computer**

• n = 4, so range is 0 to  $2^4 - 1(15)$ 

### Hereafter, assume word size = 4

• All points generalize to word size = 32, word size = n

# **Representing Unsigned Integers**

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signed	
teger	Rep
0	0000
1	0001
2	0010
3	0011
4	0100
5	0101
6	0110
7	0111
8	1000
9	1001
10	1010
11	1011
12	1100
13	1101
14	1110
15	1111

### **Adding Unsigned Integers**

### Addition

	1	
3	0011 <sub>B</sub>	
+ 10	+ 1010 <sub>B</sub>	
13	1101 <sub>B</sub>	



Start at right column Proceed leftward Carry 1 when necessary

Beware of overflow

Results are mod 2<sup>4</sup>

# **Subtracting Unsigned Integers**

### Subtraction

	12	
	0202	
10	1010 <sub>B</sub>	
- 7	- 0111 <sub>B</sub>	
3	0011 <sub>B</sub>	

Start at right column Proceed leftward Borrow 2 when necessary

	2	
3	0011 <sub>B</sub>	
- 10	- 1010 <sub>B</sub>	
9	1001 <sub>B</sub>	

Beware of overflow

Results are mod 2<sup>4</sup>














#### **Multiplication**

- Shifting left N positions multiplies by (base) N
- Multiplying by 2 or 4 is often necessary (shift left 1 or 2 positions, respectively)
- Often a whooole lot faster than telling the processor to multiply







# **Shift Right as Division**

- Question: If shifting left multiplies, what does shift right do?
  - Answer: divides in a similar way, but truncates result

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## **Shifting Unsigned Integers**





What is the effect arithmetically? (No fair looking ahead)

Bitwise left shift (<<): fill on right with zeros





#### **Other Operations on Unsigned Ints**

#### Bitwise NOT (~)

• Flip each bit

$$\sim 10 \implies 5$$
  
 $1010_{\rm B} \quad 0101_{\rm B}$ 

#### Bitwise AND (&)

Logical AND corresponding bits

10	1010 <sub>B</sub>
& 7	& 0111 <sub>B</sub>
2	0010 <sub>B</sub>

Useful for setting selected bits to 0

# **Other Operations on Unsigned Ints**

#### Bitwise OR: (|)

Logical OR corresponding bits

10	1010 <sub>B</sub>
1	0001 <sub>B</sub>
11	1011 <sub>B</sub>

Useful for setting selected bits to 1

#### Bitwise exclusive OR (^)

• Logical exclusive OR corresponding bits

10	1010 <sub>B</sub>
^ 10	^ 1010 <sub>B</sub>
0	0000 <sub>B</sub>

x ^ x sets all bits to 0

The binary **XOR** operation will always produce a **1** output if either of its inputs is **1** and will produce a **0** output if both of its inputs are **0** or **1**.

#### **Aside: Using Bitwise Ops for Arith**

Can use <<, >>, and & to do some arithmetic efficiently  $x * 2^{y} == x << y$ Fast way to **multiply**  $\cdot 3*4 = 3*2^2 = 3 << 2 => 12$ by a power of 2 0011<sub>B</sub> 1100<sub>B</sub>  $x / 2^{y} == x >> y$ Fast way to **divide**  $\cdot 13/4 = 13/2^2 = 13 >> 2 => 3$ by a power of 2 1101<sub>B</sub> 0011<sub>B</sub> Fast way to **mod**  $x \& 2^{y} == x \& (2^{y}-1)$ by a power of 2  $\cdot 13\%4 = 13\%2^2 = 13\&(2^2-1)$ = 13&3 => 113 1101<sub>B</sub> & 3 & 0011<sub>B</sub> 0001<sub>B</sub> 1 48



#### **Answer... Sort of**

 Arithmetic form is intended for numbers in two's complement (next lecture), whereas the non-arithmetic form is intended for unsigned numbers

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# **Signed Magnitude**

Integer	Rep	Definition
-7	1111	High order bit indicates sign
-6	1110	Figh-order bit indicates sign
-5	1101	0 => positive
-4	1100	1 => negative
-3	1011	Domoining bits indicate magnitude
-2	1010	Remaining bits indicate magnitude
-1	1001	$1101_{_{\rm B}} = -101_{_{\rm B}} = -5$
-0	1000	$0101_{\rm p} = 101_{\rm p} = 5$
0	0000	
1	0001	
2	0010	
3	0011	
4	0100	
5	0101	Sign
6	0110	Magnitude Bits
7	0111	RII

## Signed Magnitude (cont.)

<u>Integer</u> -7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1 -0 0 1 2 3 4 5 6	Rep111111101101100110111001100110000000000100100011010001010101	<pre>Computing negative neg(x) = flip high order bit of x neg(0101<sub>B</sub>) = 1101<sub>B</sub> neg(1101<sub>B</sub>) = 0101<sub>B</sub></pre> Pros and cons + easy for people to understand + symmetric - two reps of zero - one of the bit patterns is wasted. - addition doesn't work the way we want it to.
5 6 7	0101 0110 0111	

#### Signed Magnitude (cont.)

**Problem #1:** "The Case of the Missing Bit Pattern":

How many possible bit patterns can be created with 4 bits?

Easy, we know that's 16. In unsigned representation, we were able to represent

16 numbers: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15.

But with signed magnitude, we are only able to represent 15 numbers: -7, -6, -5,

-4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

There's still 16 bit patterns, but one of them is either not being used or is duplicating a number. That bit pattern is '1000B'.

When we interpret this pattern, we get '-0' which is both nonsensical (negative zero? come on!) and redundant (we already have '0000B' to represent 0).

# Signed Magnitude (cont.)

**Problem #2:** "Requires Special Care and Feeding": Remember we wanted to have negative binary numbers so we could use our binary addition algorithm to simulate binary subtraction. How does signed magnitude fare with addition? To test it, let's try subtracting 2 from 5 by adding 5 and -2. A positive 5 would be represented with the bit pattern '0101B' and -2 with '1010B'. Let's add these two numbers and see what the result is:

0101 +1010

#### 1111

Now we interpret the result as a signed magnitude number. The sign is '1' (negative) and the magnitude is '7'. So the answer is a negative 7. But, wait a minute, 5-2=3! This obviously didn't work.

Conclusion: signed magnitude doesn't work with regular binary addition algorithms.

## **One's Complement**

Integer	Rep	Definition
-7	1000	High-order bit has weight $-7(-2^n + 1)$
-6	1001	
-5	1010	
-4	1011	$1010_{B} = (1*-7)+(0*4)+(1*2)+(0*1)$
-3	1100	= -5
-2	1101	0010 - (0*-7) + (0*4) + (1*2) + (0*1)
-1	1110	$  0010_{\rm B} - (0^{-1}) + (0^{-1}) + (1^{-2}) + (0^{-1})  $
-0	1111	= 2
0	0000	
1	0001	
2	0010	
3	0011	
4	0100	
5	0101	
6	0110	
7	0111	

## **One's Complement (cont.)**

Integer	Rep	Computing negative
-7	1000	neq(x) = -x
-6	1001	$p_{0} = \frac{1}{101} - \frac{1010}{100}$
-5	1010	$\operatorname{Heg}(\operatorname{OIOI}_{\mathrm{B}}) = \operatorname{IOIO}_{\mathrm{B}}$
-4	1011	$neg(1010_{B}) = 0101_{B}$
-3	1100	
-2	1101	Computing negative (alternative)
-1	1110	$neq(x) = 1111_{p} - x$
-0	1111	$r_{B} = \frac{110}{100} (101) - \frac{1111}{100} = 0.01$
0	0000	$\operatorname{neg}(\operatorname{OIOI}_{B}) = \operatorname{IIII}_{B} - \operatorname{OIOI}_{B}$
1	0001	$= 1010_{B}$
2	0010	$neg(1010_{p}) = 1111_{p} - 1010_{p}$
3	0011	
4	0100	$= 0101_{B}$
5	0101	Pros and cons
6	0110	
		+ symmetric
		- two reps of zero

## **Two's Complement**

Integer	Rep	Definition
-8	1000	High-order bit has weight -8 (-2 <sup>n</sup> )
-7	1001	
-6	1010	$1010_{_{\mathrm{B}}} = (1*-8) + (0*4) + (1*2) + (0*1)$
-5	1011	= -6
-4	1100	0010 - (0+0) + (0+1) + (1+0) + (0+1)
-3	1101	$  0010_{\rm B} = (0^{-8}) + (0^{4}) + (1^{2}) + (0^{1})$
-2	1110	= 2
-1	1111	
0	0000	
1	0001	
2	0010	
3	0011	
4	0100	
5	0101	
6	0110	
7	0111	
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## Two's Complement (cont.)

-8       1000         -7       1001         -6       1010         -5       1011         -4       1100         -3       1101         -2       1110         -1       1111         -2       1110         -1       1111         Pros and cons         -       not symmetric         +       one rep of zero	Integer	Rep	Computing negative
$\begin{array}{cccc} -7 & 1001 \\ -6 & 1010 \\ -5 & 1011 \\ -4 & 1100 \\ -3 & 1101 \\ -2 & 1110 \\ -1 & 1111 \\ 2 & 0000 \\ 1 & 0001 \\ 2 & 0010 \\ 1 & 0001 \\ 4 & 0100 \\ 5 & 0101 \\ 6 & 0110 \\ 7 & 0111 \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{neg}(x) = \text{onescomp}(x) + 1 \\ \text{neg}(0101_B) = 1010_B + 1 = 1011_B \\ \text{neg}(1011_B) = 0100_B + 1 = 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0100_B + 1 = 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0100_B + 1 = 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0100_B + 1 = 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0100_B + 1 = 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0100_B + 1 \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0101_B \\ -1 & 0100_B \\ -1 & 0100_$	-8	1000	neg(x) = -x + 1
$\begin{array}{cccccc} -6 & 1010 \\ -5 & 1011 \\ -4 & 1100 \\ -3 & 1101 \\ -2 & 1110 \\ -1 & 1111 \\ 2 & 0000 \\ 1 & 0001 \\ 2 & 0010 \\ 3 & 0011 \\ 4 & 0100 \\ 5 & 0101 \\ 6 & 0110 \\ 7 & 0111 \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} 1010 \\ 1000 $	-7	1001	neq(x) = onescomp(x) + 1
$\begin{array}{ccccccc} -5 & 1011 & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & $	-6	1010	ncg(x) = 0nc3c0mp(x) + 1
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	-5	1011	$\operatorname{neg}(\operatorname{UIUI}_{B}) = \operatorname{IUIU}_{B} + 1 = \operatorname{IUII}_{B}$
-3       1101         -2       1110         -1       1111         0       0000         1       0001         2       0010         3       0011         4       0100         5       0101         6       0110         7       0111	-4	1100	$neg(1011_B) = 0100_B + 1 = 0101_B$
-2       1110         -1       1111         0       0000         1       0001         2       0010         3       0011         4       0100         5       0101         6       0110         7       0111	-3	1101	
-1       1111       Pros and cons         0       0000       - not symmetric         1       0001       + one rep of zero         3       0011       - not symmetric         4       0100       - one rep of zero         5       0101       - one rep of zero         7       0111       - one rep of zero	-2	1110	
0       0000       - not symmetric         1       0001       + one rep of zero         2       0010       - not symmetric         3       0011       - one rep of zero         4       0100       - 0101         6       0110       - 0111	-1	1111	Pros and cons
1 0001 2 0010 + one rep of zero 3 0011 4 0100 5 0101 6 0110 7 0111	0	0000	- not symmetric
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3       0011         4       0100         5       0101         6       0110         7       0111	2	0010	+ one rep of zero
4       0100         5       0101         6       0110         7       0111	3	0011	
5 0101 6 0110 7 0111	4	0100	
6 0110 7 0111	5	0101	
7 0111	6	0110	
	7	0111	

#### Two's Complement (cont.)

Almost all computers use two's complement to represent signed integers

#### Why?

- Arithmetic is easy
- Will become clear soon

Hereafter, assume two's complement representation of signed integers

#### **Two's Complement**

- Way to represent positive integers, negative integers, and zero
- If 1 is in the most significant bit (generally leftmost bit in this class), then it is negative














































## **Core Concepts**

- We have a "primitive" notion of adding single digits, along with an idea of *carrying* digits
- We can build on this notion to add numbers together that are more than one digit long





•	Chaining the Carry • Also need to account for any input carry							
0	0		0	4	0			
0	0		1		1			
+0	+1		+0		+1			
0	1		1		0	Carry:		
1	1		1		1			
0	0		1		1			
+0	+1		+0		+1			
1	0	Carry: 1	0	Carry: 1	1	Carry:		























## **Output Carry Bit Significance**

- For unsigned numbers, it indicates if the result did not fit all the way into the number of bits allotted
- May be an error condition for software









# **Adding Signed Integers**



pos +	pos	(overflow)	
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	111
7	0111 <sub>B</sub>
+ 1	+ 0001 <sub>B</sub>
-8	1000 <sub>B</sub>

neg + neg (overflow)								
		1 1						
	-6	1010 <sub>B</sub>						
	+ -5	+ 1011 <sub>B</sub>						
	5	<b>1</b> 0101 <sub>B</sub>						

### **Subtracting Signed Integers**



# **Shifting Signed Integers**

Bitwise (logical/arithmetic) left shift (<<): fill on right with zeros



Bitwise arithmetic right shift: fill on left with sign bit



# Shifting Signed Integers (cont.)

Bitwise logical right shift: fill on left with zeros

6 >> 1 => 3 0110<sub>B</sub> 0011<sub>B</sub> -6 >> 1 => 5 1010<sub>B</sub> 0101<sub>B</sub>

#### Right shift (>>) could be logical or arithmetic

- Compiler designer decides
- Logical shift is ideal for unsigned binary numbers
- Arithmetic shift is ideal for signed two's complement binary numbers
# **Other Operations on Signed Ints**

#### Bitwise NOT (~)

Same as with unsigned ints

#### Bitwise AND (&)

Same as with unsigned ints

#### Bitwise OR: (|)

Same as with unsigned ints

#### Bitwise exclusive OR (^)

Same as with unsigned ints

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### **Number Systems**

- So far, we have studied the following integer number systems in computer
  - Unsigned numbers
  - Sign/magnitude numbers
  - Two's complement numbers
- What about rational numbers?
  - A rational number is one that can be expressed as the ratio of two integers
  - Infinite range and precision
  - For example, 2.5, -10.04, 0.75 etc

#### **Rational Numbers**

- Two common notations to represent rational numbers in computer
  - Fixed-point numbers
  - Floating-point numbers

#### **Computer science**

- Finite range and precision
- Approximate using **floating point** number
  - Binary point "floats" across bits

### **Fixed-Point Numbers**

- Fixed point notation has an implied binary point between the integer and fraction bits
  - The binary point is not a part of the representation but is implied
  - Example:
    - Fixed-point representation of 6.75 using 4 integer bits and 4 fraction bits:

01101100 0110.1100  $2^{2} + 2^{1} + 2^{-1} + 2^{-2} = 6.75$ 

- The number of integer and fraction bits must be agreed upon by those generating and those reading the number
  - There is no way of knowing the existence of the binary point except through agreement of those people interpreting the number

# **Signed Fixed-Point Numbers**

- As with whole numbers, negative fractional numbers can be represented in two ways
  - Sign/magnitude notation
  - Two's complement notation
- Example:
  - -2.375 using 8 bits (4 bits each to represent integer and fractional parts)
    - 2.375 = 0010.0110
    - Sign/magnitude notation: 1010 0110
    - Two's complement notation:

1. flip all the bits:	1101	1001
2. add 1:	+	1
	1101	1010

• Addition and subtraction works easily in computer with 2's complement notation like integer addition and subtraction

### Example

- Suppose that we have 8 bits to represent a number
  - 4 bits for integer and 4 bits for fraction
- Compute 0.75 + (-0.625)
  - -0.75 = 0000 1100
  - **0.625** = 0000 1010
  - -0.625 in 2's complement form: 1111 0110

0.75	0000	1100
+ - 0.625	1111	0110
0.125	0000	0010

#### **Fixed-Point Number Systems**

- Fixed-point number systems have a limitation of having a constant number of integer and fractional bits
- Some low-end digital signal processors support fixed-point numbers
  - Example: TMS320C550x TI (Texas Instruments) DSPs: www.ti.com



# **Floating-Point Numbers**

- Floating-point number systems circumvent the limitation of having a constant number of integer and fractional bits
  - They allow the representation of very large and very small numbers
- The binary point floats to the right of the most significant 1
  - Similar to decimal scientific notation
  - For example, write 273<sub>10</sub> in scientific notation:
    - Move the decimal point to the right of the most significant digit and increase the exponent:

 $273 = 2.73 \times 10^2$ 

• In general, a number is written in scientific notation as:

 $\pm M imes B^E$ 

Where,

- M = mantissa
- B = base
- E = exponent
- In the example, M = 2.73, B = 10, and E = 2 (that is,  $+2.73 \times 10^2$ )

# **Floating-Point Numbers**

- Floating-point number representation using 32 bits
  - 1 sign bit
  - 8 exponent bits
  - 23 bits for the mantissa.



- The following slides show three versions of floatingpoint representation with 228<sub>10</sub> using a 32-bit
  - The final version is called the IEEE 754 floating-point standard

### Floating-Point Representation #1

- First, convert the decimal number to binary
  - $228_{10} = 11100100_2 = 1.11001 \times 2^7$
- Next, fill in each field in the 32-bit:
  - The sign bit (1 bit) is positive, so 0
  - The exponent (8 bits) is 7 (111)
  - The mantissa (23 bits) is 1.11001

<u>1 bit</u>	8 bits	23 bits
0	00000111	11 1001 0000 0000 0000 0000
Sign	Exponent	Mantissa / Fraction

## **Floating-Point Representation #2**

- You may have noticed that the first bit of the mantissa is always 1, since the binary point floats to the right of the most significant 1
  - Example:  $228_{10} = 11100100_2 = 1.11001 \times 2^7$
- Thus, storing the most significant 1 (also called the implicit leading 1) is redundant information
- We can store just the fraction parts in the 23-bit field
  - Now, the leading 1 is implied

<u>1 bit</u>	8 bits	23 bits
0	00000111	110 0100 0000 0000 0000 0000
Sign	Exponent	Mantissa / Fraction

### Floating-Point Representation #3

- The exponent needs to represent both positive and negative
- The final change is to use a biased exponent
  - The IEEE 754 standard uses a bias of 127
  - Biased exponent = bias + exponent
    - For example, an exponent of 7 is stored as  $127 + 7 = 134 = 10000110_2$
- Thus ,  $228_{10}$  using the IEEE 754 32-bit floating-point standard is  $228_{10} = 11100100_2 = 1.11001 \times 2^7$

8 bits	23 bits
10000110	110 0100 0000 0000 0000 0000
Biased Exponent	Mantissa / Fraction
	8 bits 10000110 Biased Exponent

Most general purpose processors (including Intel and AMD processors) provide hardware support for double-precision floating-point numbers and operations

# **IEEE Floating Point Representation**

Common finite representation: IEEE floating point

• More precisely: ISO/IEEE 754 standard

Using 32 bits (type float in C):

- 1 bit: sign (0=>positive, 1=>negative)
- 8 bits: exponent + 127
- 23 bits: binary fraction of the form 1.dddddddddddddddddddddddddd

Using 64 bits (type double in C):

- 1 bit: sign (0=>positive, 1=>negative)
- 11 bits: exponent + 1023
- 52 bits: binary fraction of the form

<u>1 bi</u>	t 8 bits	23 bits
0	10000001	001 1000 0000 0000 0000 0000
Sigr	n Exponent	Mantissa / Fraction

# Example

- Represent -58<sub>10</sub> using the IEEE 754 floating-point standard
  - First, convert the decimal number to binary
    - $58_{10} = 111010_2 = 1.1101 \times 2^5$
  - Next, fill in each field in the 32-bit number
    - The sign bit is negative (1)
    - The 8 exponent bits are  $(127 + 5) = 132 = 10000100_{(2)}$
    - The remaining 23 bits are the fraction bits: 11010000...000<sub>(2)</sub>

Sign	Exponent	Fraction
1	10000100	110 1000 0000 0000 0000 0000
<u>1 bit</u>	8 bits	23 bits

• It is 0xC2680000 in the hexadecimal form

## **Double Precision Example**

- Represent -58<sub>10</sub> using the IEEE 754 double precision
  - First, convert the decimal number to binary
    - $58_{10} = 111010_2 = 1.1101 \times 2^5$
  - Next, fill in each field in the 64-bit number
    - The sign bit is negative (1)
    - The 11 exponent bits are  $(1023 + 5) = 1028 = 10000000100_{(2)}$
    - The remaining 52 bits are the fraction bits: 11010000...000<sub>(2)</sub>

#### **Floating-Point Numbers: Special Cases**

• The IEEE 754 standard includes special cases for numbers that are difficult to represent, such as 0 because it lacks an implicit leading 1

Number	Sign	Exponent	Fraction
0	Х	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
ω	0	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
- ∞	1	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
NaN	Х	11111111	non-zero

NaN is used for numbers that don't exist, such as  $\sqrt{-1}$  or log(-5)

# **Floating Point Example**

Sign (1 bit): 32-bit representation • 1 => negative Exponent (8 bits): •  $10000011_{\rm B} = 131$  $\cdot 131 - 127 = 4$ Fraction (23 bits): • 1 +  $(1*2^{-1}) + (0*2^{-2}) + (1*2^{-3}) + (1*2^{-4}) + (0*2^{-5}) + (1*2^{-6}) + (1*2^{-7})$ = 1.7109375

Number:

•  $-1.7109375 * 2^4 = -27.375$ 

# **Floating Point Example** 263.3



IEEE754 floating-point standard can't represent

# **Floating Point Example**



# **Binary Coded Decimal (BCD)**

- Since floating-point number systems can't represent some numbers exactly such as 0.3, some application (calculators) use BCD (Binary coded decimal)
  - BCD numbers encode each decimal digit using 4 bits with a range of 0 to 9

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Decimal	BCD Digit	
0	0000	
1	0001	
2	0010	
3	0011	BCD fixed-point notation examples
4	0100	1.7 = 0001 . 0111
5	0101	4.9 = 0100 . 1001
6	0110	6.75 = 0110.01110101
7	0111	
8	1000	
9	1001	

 BCD is very common in electronic systems where a numeric value is to be displayed, especially, in systems consisting solely of digital logic (not containing a microprocessor) - Wiki

#### **Examples**

1- Convert Decimal to Floating Point (IEEE 754) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8afbTaA-gOQ

2- Convert Floating Point (IEEE 754) to Decimal https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LXF-wcoeT00

#### Converting Between Decimal and Binary Floating-Point Numbers

https://mebrahimii.github.io/comp122-summer2021/lecture/week\_2/floating\_point\_interconversions.html

# Summary

The binary, hexadecimal, and octal number systems Finite representation of unsigned integers Finite representation of signed integers Finite representation of rational numbers

#### Essential for proper understanding of

- C primitive data types
- Assembly language
- Machine language

# **Backup Slides**

# **Floating-Point Numbers: Rounding**

- Arithmetic results that fall outside of the available precision must round to a neighboring number
- Rounding modes
  - Round down
  - Round up
  - Round toward zero
  - Round to nearest
- Example
  - Round 1.100101 (1.578125) so that it uses only 3 fraction bits
    - Round down: 1.100
    - Round up: 1.101
    - Round toward zero: 1.100
    - Round to nearest: 1.101
      - 1.625 is closer to 1.578125 than 1.5 is

#### Floating-Point Addition with the Same Sign

- Addition with floating-point numbers is not as simple as addition with 2's complement numbers
- The steps for adding floating-point numbers with the same sign are as follows
  - 1. Extract exponent and fraction bits
  - 2. Prepend leading 1 to form mantissa
  - 3. Compare exponents
  - 4. Shift smaller mantissa if necessary
  - 5. Add mantissas
  - 6. Normalize mantissa and adjust exponent if necessary
  - 7. Round result
  - 8. Assemble exponent and fraction back into floating-point format

Add the following floating-point numbers:

1.5 + 3.25

$$1.5_{(10)} = 1.1_{(2)} \times 2^{0}$$
  
 $3.25_{(10)} = 11.01_{(2)} = 1.101_{(2)} \times 2^{1}$ 

 $1.1_{(10)} = 0x3FC00000$  in IEEE 754 single precision  $3.25_{(10)} = 0x40500000$  in IEEE 754 single precision

#### 1. Extract exponent and fraction bits

<u>1 bit</u>	8 bits	23 bits
0	01111111	100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
Sign	Exponent	Fraction
<u>1 bit</u>	8 bits	23 bits
1 bit 0	8 bits 10000000	23 bits 101 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000

For first number (N1): S = 0, E = 127, F = .1For second number (N2): S = 0, E = 128, F = .101

- 2. Prepend leading 1 to form mantissa
  - N1: 1.1 N2: 1.101

3. Compare exponents

127 - 128 = -1, so shift N1 right by 1 bit

- 4. Shift smaller mantissa if necessary shift N1's mantissa: 1.1 >> 1 = 0.11 (× 2<sup>1</sup>)
- 5. Add mantissas

 $\begin{array}{rrr} 0.11 & \times 2^{1} \\ + & 1.101 \times 2^{1} \\ \hline 10.011 \times 2^{1} \end{array}$ 

- 6. Normalize mantissa and adjust exponent if necessary  $10.011 \times 2^1 = 1.0011 \times 2^2$
- 7. Round result

No need (fits in 23 bits)

8. Assemble exponent and fraction back into floating-point format

 $S = 0, E = 2 + 127 = 129 = 1000001_2, F = 001100..$ 

Sign	Exponent	Fraction
0	10000001	001 1000 0000 0000 0000 0000
<u>1 bit</u>	8 bits	23 bits

 $4.75_{(10)} = 0x40980000$  in the hexadecimal form