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Number Systems & Representation

Number System : *The Basics*

- We are accustomed to using the so-called **decimal number system**

- Ten digits :: 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
- Every digit position has a weight which is a power of 10
- **Base** or **radix** is 10

- Example:

$$234 = 2 \times 10^2 + 3 \times 10^1 + 4 \times 10^0$$

$$250.67 = 2 \times 10^2 + 5 \times 10^1 + 0 \times 10^0 + 6 \times 10^{-1} + 7 \times 10^{-2}$$

Binary Number System

- Two digits:

- 0 and 1
- Every digit position has a weight which is a power of 2
- **Base** or **radix** is 2

- Example:

$$110 = 1 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 0 \times 2^0$$

$$101.01 = 1 \times 2^2 + 0 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0 + 0 \times 2^{-1} + 1 \times 2^{-2}$$

Positional Number Systems (General)

Decimal Numbers:

- ❖ 10 Symbols {0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9}, Base or Radix is 10
- ❖ $136.25 = 1 \times 10^2 + 3 \times 10^1 + 6 \times 10^0 + 2 \times 10^{-1} + 5 \times 10^{-2}$

Binary Numbers:

- ❖ 2 Symbols {0,1}, Base or Radix is 2
- ❖ $101.01 = 1 \times 2^2 + 0 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0 + 0 \times 2^{-1} + 1 \times 2^{-2}$

Octal Numbers:

- ❖ 8 Symbols {0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7}, Base or Radix is 8
- ❖ $621.03 = 6 \times 8^2 + 2 \times 8^1 + 1 \times 8^0 + 0 \times 8^{-1} + 3 \times 8^{-2}$

Hexadecimal Numbers:

- ❖ 16 Symbols {0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F}, Base is 16
- ❖ $6AF.3C = 6 \times 16^2 + 10 \times 16^1 + 15 \times 16^0 + 3 \times 16^{-1} + 12 \times 16^{-2}$

Binary-to-Decimal Conversion

- Each digit position of a binary number has a weight

- Some power of 2

- A binary number:

$$B = b_{n-1} b_{n-2} \dots b_1 b_0 . b_{-1} b_{-2} \dots b_{-m}$$

- Corresponding value in decimal:

$$D = \sum_{i=-m}^{n-1} b_i 2^i$$

Examples

$$101011 \rightarrow 1x2^5 + 0x2^4 + 1x2^3 + 0x2^2 + 1x2^1 + 1x2^0 \\ = 43$$

$$(101011)_2 = (43)_{10}$$

$$.0101 \rightarrow 0x2^{-1} + 1x2^{-2} + 0x2^{-3} + 1x2^{-4} \\ = .3125$$

$$(.0101)_2 = (.3125)_{10}$$

$$101.11 \rightarrow 1x2^2 + 0x2^1 + 1x2^0 + 1x2^{-1} + 1x2^{-2} \\ = 5.75$$

$$(101.11)_2 = (5.75)_{10}$$

Decimal to Binary: Integer Part

- Consider the integer and fractional parts separately.
- For the integer part:
 - Repeatedly divide the given number by 2, and go on accumulating the remainders, until the number becomes zero.
 - Arrange the remainders in reverse order.

Base	Num	Rem
2	89	
2	44	1
2	22	0
2	11	0
2	5	1
2	2	1
2	1	0
	0	1

$$(89)_{10} = (1011001)_2$$



2	66	
2	33	0
2	16	1
2	8	0
2	4	0
2	2	0
2	1	0
	0	1

$$(66)_{10} = (1000010)_2$$

2	239	
2	119	1
2	59	1
2	29	1
2	14	1
2	7	0
2	3	1
2	1	1
	0	1

$$(239)_{10} = (11101111)_2$$

Decimal to Binary: Fraction Part

- Repeatedly multiply the given fraction by 2.
 - Accumulate the integer part (0 or 1).
 - If the integer part is 1, chop it off.
- Arrange the integer parts in the order they are obtained.

Example: 0.634

$$.634 \times 2 = 1.268$$

$$.268 \times 2 = 0.536$$

$$.536 \times 2 = 1.072$$

$$.072 \times 2 = 0.144$$

$$.144 \times 2 = 0.288$$

⋮

⋮

$$(.634)_{10} = (.10100\dots)_2$$

Example: 0.0625

$$.0625 \times 2 = 0.125$$

$$.1250 \times 2 = 0.250$$

$$.2500 \times 2 = 0.500$$

$$.5000 \times 2 = 1.000$$

$$(.0625)_{10} = (.0001)_2$$

$$(37)_{10} = (100101)_2$$

$$(.0625)_{10} = (.0001)_2$$

$$(37.0625)_{10} = (100101.0001)_2$$

Hexadecimal Number System

- A compact way of representing binary numbers
- 16 different symbols (radix = 16)

0 → 0000	8 → 1000
1 → 0001	9 → 1001
2 → 0010	A → 1010
3 → 0011	B → 1011
4 → 0100	C → 1100
5 → 0101	D → 1101
6 → 0110	E → 1110
7 → 0111	F → 1111

Binary-to-Hexadecimal Conversion

- For the integer part,
 - Scan the binary number from **right to left**
 - Translate each group of four bits into the corresponding hexadecimal digit
 - Add **leading** zeros if necessary

- For the fractional part,
 - Scan the binary number from **left to right**
 - Translate each group of four bits into the corresponding hexadecimal digit
 - Add **trailing** zeros if necessary

Example

$$1. \quad (\underline{1011} \ \underline{0100} \ \underline{0011})_2 = (\text{B43})_{16}$$

$$2. \quad (\underline{10} \ \underline{1010} \ \underline{0001})_2 = (\text{2A1})_{16}$$

$$3. \quad (\underline{.1000} \ \underline{010})_2 = (\text{.84})_{16}$$

$$4. \quad (\underline{101} \ . \ \underline{0101} \ \underline{111})_2 = (\text{5.5E})_{16}$$

Hexadecimal-to-Binary Conversion

- Translate every hexadecimal digit into its 4-bit binary equivalent

- Examples:

$$(3A5)_{16} = (0011\ 1010\ 0101)_2$$

$$(12.3D)_{16} = (0001\ 0010 . 0011\ 1101)_2$$

$$(1.8)_{16} = (0001 . 1000)_2$$

Unsigned Binary Numbers

- An n-bit binary number

$$B = b_{n-1}b_{n-2} \dots b_2b_1b_0$$

- 2^n distinct combinations are possible, 0 to 2^n-1 .

- For example, for $n = 3$, there are 8 distinct combinations

□ 000, 001, 010, 011, 100, 101, 110, 111

- Range of numbers that can be represented

n=8 → 0 to 2^8-1 (255)

n=16 → 0 to $2^{16}-1$ (65535)

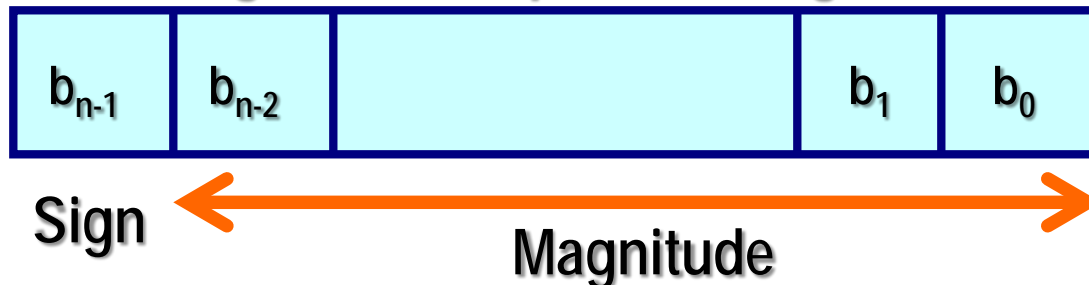
n=32 → 0 to $2^{32}-1$ (4294967295)

Signed Integer Representation

- Many of the numerical data items that are used in a program are signed (positive or negative)
 - Question:: How to represent sign?
- Three possible approaches:
 - Sign-magnitude representation
 - One's complement representation
 - Two's complement representation

Sign-magnitude Representation

- For an n-bit number representation
 - The most significant bit (MSB) indicates sign
 - 0 → positive
 - 1 → negative
 - The remaining n-1 bits represent magnitude



- Range of numbers that can be represented:
 - Maximum :: $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$
 - Minimum :: $-(2^{n-1} - 1)$
- A problem: *Two different representations of zero*
 - +0 → 0 000....0
 - 0 → 1 000....0

One's Complement Representation

- Basic idea:
 - Positive numbers are represented exactly as in sign-magnitude form
 - Negative numbers are represented in 1's complement form
- How to compute the 1's complement of a number?
 - Complement every bit of the number ($1 \rightarrow 0$ and $0 \rightarrow 1$)
 - MSB will indicate the sign of the number
 - 0 \rightarrow positive
 - 1 \rightarrow negative

Example :: n=4

0000 → +0

0001 → +1

0010 → +2

0011 → +3

0100 → +4

0101 → +5

0110 → +6

0111 → +7

1000 → -7

1001 → -6

1010 → -5

1011 → -4

1100 → -3

1101 → -2

1110 → -1

1111 → -0

To find the representation of, say, -4, first note that

$$+4 = 0100$$

$$-4 = 1\text{'s complement of } 0100 = 1011$$

Example (Contd.)

- Range of numbers that can be represented:

Maximum :: $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$

Minimum :: $-(2^{n-1} - 1)$

- A problem:

Two different representations of zero.

+0 → 0 000....0

-0 → 1 111....1

- Advantage of 1's complement representation
 - Subtraction can be done using addition
 - Leads to substantial saving in circuitry

Two's Complement Representation

- Basic idea:
 - Positive numbers are represented exactly as in sign-magnitude form
 - Negative numbers are represented in 2's complement form
- How to compute the 2's complement of a number?
 - Complement every bit of the number ($1 \rightarrow 0$ and $0 \rightarrow 1$), and then **add one** to the resulting number
 - MSB will indicate the sign of the number
 - 0 \rightarrow positive
 - 1 \rightarrow negative

Example : n=4

0000 → +0

0001 → +1

0010 → +2

0011 → +3

0100 → +4

0101 → +5

0110 → +6

0111 → +7

1000 → -8

1001 → -7

1010 → -6

1011 → -5

1100 → -4

1101 → -3

1110 → -2

1111 → -1

To find the representation of, say, -4, first note that

$$+4 = 0100$$

$$-4 = 2\text{'s complement of } 0100 = 1011+1 = 1100$$

Rule : Value = $- \text{msb} * 2^{(n-1)} + [\text{unsigned value of rest}]$

Example: $0110 = 0 + 6 = 6$

$$1110 = -8 + 6 = -2$$

Example (Contd.)

- Range of numbers that can be represented:

Maximum :: $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$

Minimum :: -2^{n-1}

- Advantage:

- Unique representation of zero

- Subtraction can be done using addition

- Leads to substantial saving in circuitry

- Almost all computers today use the 2's complement representation for storing negative numbers

Examples from C

■ In C

□ short int

- 16 bits → $+(2^{15}-1)$ to -2^{15}

□ int or long int

- 32 bits → $+(2^{31}-1)$ to -2^{31}

□ long long int

- 64 bits → $+(2^{63}-1)$ to -2^{63}

Adding Binary Numbers

■ Basic Rules:

- $0+0=0$
- $0+1=1$
- $1+0=1$
- $1+1=0$ (carry 1)

■ Example:

01101001

00110100

10011101

Subtraction Using Addition :: 1's Complement

■ How to compute $A - B$?

□ Compute the 1's complement of B (say, B_1).

□ Compute $R = A + B_1$

□ If the carry obtained after addition is '1'

■ Add the carry back to R (called *end-around carry*)

■ That is, $R = R + 1$

■ The result is a positive number

Else

■ The result is negative, and is in 1's complement form

Example 1 :: 6 - 2

1's complement of 2 = 1101

6	::	0110	A
-2	::	1101	B ₁
		<hr/>	R
		1 0011	
		1	
		<hr/>	
		0100	

→ +4 →

End-around carry

Assume 4-bit representations

Since there is a carry, it is added back to the result

The result is positive

Example 2 :: 3 - 5

1's complement of 5 = 1010

3	::	0011	A
-5	::	<u>1010</u>	B ₁
		1101	R



-2

Assume 4-bit representations

Since there is no carry, the result is negative

1101 is the 1's complement of 0010, that is, it represents -2

Subtraction Using Addition :: 2's Complement

■ How to compute $A - B$?

□ Compute the 2's complement of B (say, B_2)

□ Compute $R = A + B_2$

□ If the carry obtained after addition is '1'

■ Ignore the carry

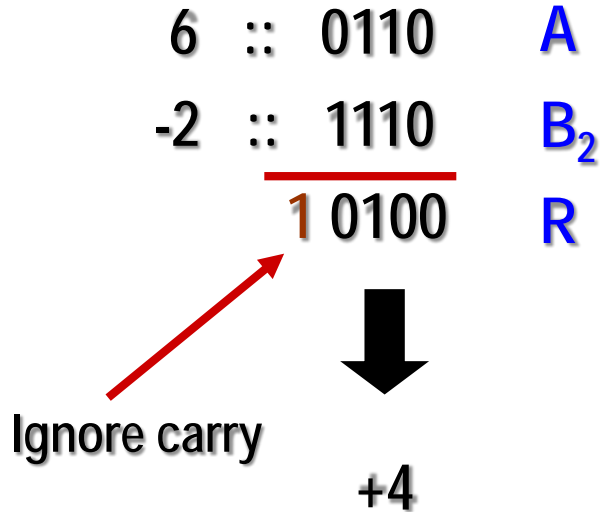
■ The result is a positive number

Else

■ The result is negative, and is in 2's complement form

Example 1 :: 6 - 2

2's complement of 2 = 1101 + 1 = 1110



Assume 4-bit representations

Presence of carry indicates that the result is positive

No need to add the end-around carry like in 1's complement

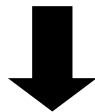
Example 2 :: 3 - 5

2's complement of 5 = $1010 + 1 = 1011$

3 :: 0011 A

-5 :: 1011 B₂

1110 R



-2

Assume 4-bit representations

Since there is no carry, the result is negative

1110 is the 2's complement of 0010, that is, it represents -2

2's complement arithmetic: More Examples

- **Example 1:** $18 - 11 = ?$
- 18 is represented as 00010010
- 11 is represented as 00001011
 - 1's complement of 11 is 11110100
 - 2's complement of 11 is 11110101
- Add 18 to 2's complement of 11

```
00010010
+ 11110101
-----
00000111 (with a carry of 1
           which is ignored)
```

00000111 is 7

2's complement arithmetic: More Examples

- **Example 2:** $7 - 9 = ?$
- 7 is represented as 00000111
- 9 is represented as 00001001
 - 1's complement of 9 is 11110110
 - 2's complement of 9 is 11110111
 - Add 7 to 2's complement of 9

```
00000111
+ 11110111
-----
11111110 (with a carry of 0
           which is ignored)
```

11111110 is -2

Overflow and Underflow

Adding two +ve (-ve) numbers should not produce a -ve (+ve) number. If it does, overflow (underflow) occurs

Another equivalent condition : carry in and carry out from Most Significant Bit (MSB) differ.

```
(64) 01000000
( 4)  00000100
-----
(68) 01000100
```

carry (out)(in)
0 0

```
(64) 01000000
(96) 01100000
-----
(-96) 10100000
```

carry out in
0 1

differ:
overflow



Thank You!