

# Digital Systems

## Principles and Applications

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## Chapter 2 Objectives

- *Selected areas covered in this chapter.*
  - Converting between number systems.
    - Decimal, binary, hexadecimal.
  - Advantages of the hexadecimal number system.
    - Counting in hexadecimal.
  - Representing decimal numbers using the BCD code.
    - Pros and cons of using BCD.
    - Differences between BCD and straight binary.
  - Purpose of alphanumeric codes such as ASCII code.
  - Parity method for error detection.
    - Determine the parity bit to be attached to a digital data string.

## 2-1 Binary to Decimal Conversion

- Convert binary to decimal by summing the positions that contain a 1:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 1 & & 1 & & 0 & & 1 & & 1_2 \\ 2^4 & + & 2^3 & + & 0 & + & 2^1 & + & 2^0 \\ & & & & & & & & = 16 + 8 + 2 + 1 \\ & & & & & & & & = 27_{10} \end{array}$$

- An example with a greater number of bits:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccc} 1 & & 0 & & 1 & & 1 & & 0 & & 1 & & 0 & & 1_2 \\ 2^7 & + & 0 & + & 2^5 & + & 2^4 & + & 0 & + & 2^2 & + & 0 & + & 2^0 \\ & & & & & & & & & & & & & & = 181_{10} \end{array}$$

## ● 2-1 Binary to Decimal Conversion

- The double-dabble method avoids addition of large numbers:
  - Write down the left-most 1 in the binary number.
  - Double it and add the next bit to the right.
  - Write down the result under the next bit.
  - Continue with steps 2 and 3 until finished with the binary number.

## 2-1 Binary to Decimal Conversion

- Binary numbers verify the double-dabble method:

Given:	1	1	0	1	$1_2$
Results:	$1 \times 2 = 2$				
		$+ 1$			
		$3 \times 2 = 6$			
			$+ 0$		
			$6 \times 2 = 12$		
				$+ 1$	
				$13 \times 2 = 26$	
					$+ 1$
					$27_{10}$

## 2-1 Binary to Decimal Conversion

- Reverse process described in 2-1.
  - Note that all positions must be accounted for.

$$\begin{aligned} 45_{10} &= 32 + 8 + 4 + 1 = 2^5 + 0 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 0 + 2^0 \\ &= 1 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad 1_2 \end{aligned}$$

- Another example:

$$\begin{aligned} 76_{10} &= 64 + 8 + 4 = 2^6 + 0 + 0 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 0 + 0 \\ &= 1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad 0_2 \end{aligned}$$

## 2-1 Binary to Decimal Conversion

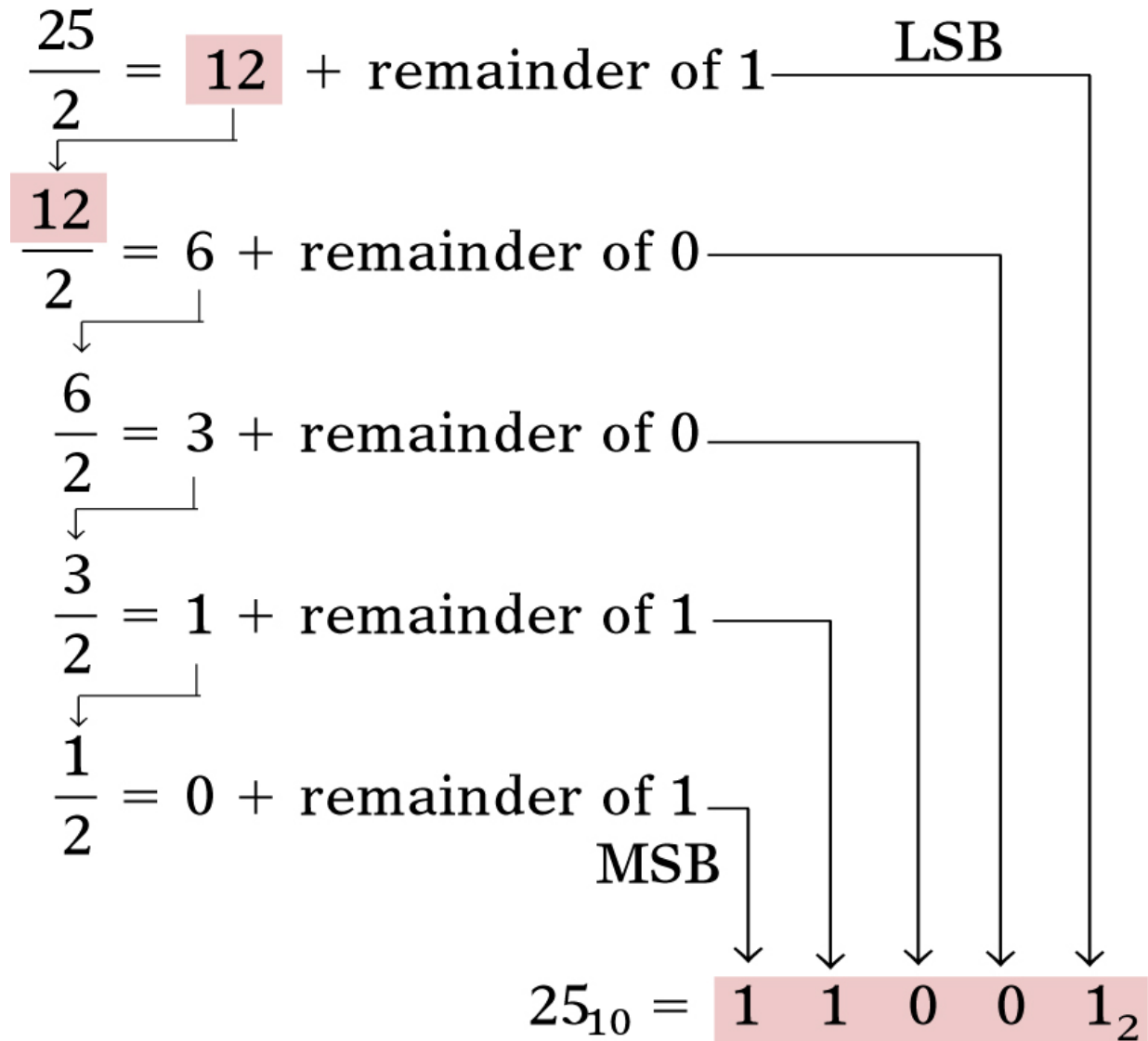
### Repeated Division

Divide the decimal number by 2.

Write the remainder after each division until a quotient of zero is obtained.

The first remainder is the LSB.

The last is the MSB.

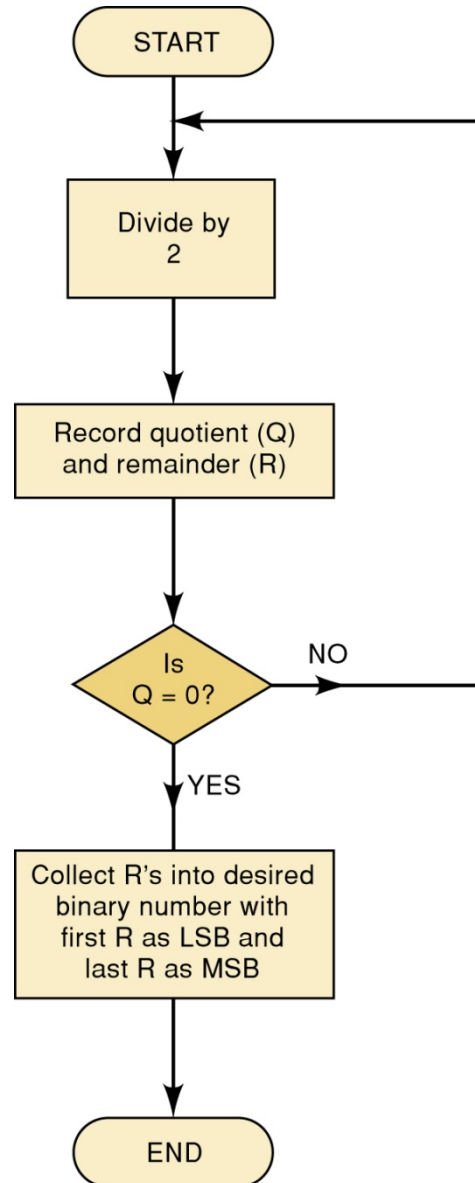




## 2-2 Decimal to Binary Conversion

### Repeated Division

This flowchart describes the process and can be used to convert from decimal to any other number system.





## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System

- Convert  $37_{10}$  to binary:

$$\begin{array}{rcll} \frac{37}{2} = 18.5 & \longrightarrow & \text{remainder of 1 (LSB)} \\ \downarrow & & \\ \frac{18}{2} = 9.0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \frac{9}{2} = 4.5 & \longrightarrow & 1 \\ \frac{4}{2} = 2.0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \frac{2}{2} = 1.0 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} = 0.5 & \longrightarrow & 1 \text{ (MSB)} \end{array}$$

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System

- Hexadecimal allows convenient handling of long binary strings, using groups of 4 bits—Base 16
  - 16 possible symbols: 0-9 and A-F

$16^4$	$16^3$	$16^2$	$16^1$	$16^0$	$16^{-1}$	$16^{-2}$	$16^{-3}$	$16^{-4}$
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Hexadecimal point

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System

**Relationships between hexadecimal, decimal, and binary numbers.**

Hexadecimal	Decimal	Binary
0	0	0000
1	1	0001
2	2	0010
3	3	0011
4	4	0100
5	5	0101
6	6	0110
7	7	0111
8	8	1000
9	9	1001
A	10	1010
B	11	1011
C	12	1100
D	13	1101
E	14	1110
F	15	1111

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System – Hex to Decimal

- Convert from hex to decimal by multiplying each hex digit by its positional weight.

$$\begin{aligned} 356_{16} &= 3 \times 16^2 + 5 \times 16^1 + 6 \times 16^0 \\ &= 768 + 80 + 6 \\ &= 854_{10} \end{aligned}$$

- In a 2<sup>nd</sup> example, the value 10 was substituted for A and 15 substituted for F.

$$\begin{aligned} 2AF_{16} &= 2 \times 16^2 + 10 \times 16^1 + 15 \times 16^0 \\ &= 512 + 160 + 15 \\ &= 687_{10} \end{aligned}$$

**For practice, verify that  $1BC2_{16}$  is equal to  $7106_{10}$**

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System – Decimal to Hex

- Convert from decimal to hex by using the repeated division method used for decimal to binary conversion.
- Divide the decimal number by 16
  - The first remainder is the LSB—the last is the MSB.

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System – Decimal to Hex

- Convert  $423_{10}$  to hex:

$$\begin{array}{l} \frac{423}{16} = 26 + \text{remainder of } 7 \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{26}{16} = 1 + \text{remainder of } 10 \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{1}{16} = 0 + \text{remainder of } 1 \end{array}$$

$423_{10} = 1A7_{16}$

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System – Decimal to Hex

- Convert  $214_{10}$  to hex:

$$\begin{array}{l} \frac{214}{16} = 13 + \text{remainder of } 6 \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{13}{16} = 0 + \text{remainder of } 13 \end{array}$$

$214_{10} = \text{D6}_{16}$



## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System – Hex to Binary

- Leading zeros can be added to the left of the MSB to fill out the last group.

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccccc} 9 & F & 2 & & & & & & & & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & & & & \downarrow & & \\ = & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ = & 10011110010_2 \end{array}$$

For practice, verify that  $BA6_{16} = 101110100110_2$

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System – Binary to Hex

- Convert from binary to hex by grouping bits in four starting with the LSB.
  - Each group is then converted to the hex equivalent
- The binary number is grouped into groups of four bits & each is converted to its equivalent hex digit.

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & & \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & & & \end{array} = \begin{array}{cccccccccccc} & & & & & & & & & & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ & & & & & & & & & & \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}} & \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}} & \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}} & & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & & & & 3 & A & 6 & & & & & & & & & \end{array}$$
$$= 3A6_{16}$$

**For practice, verify that  $10101111_2 = 15F_{16}$**

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System – Decimal to Hex to Binary

- Convert decimal 378 to a 16-bit binary number by first converting to hexadecimal.

$$\begin{array}{l} \frac{378}{16} = 23 + \text{remainder of } 10_{10} = A_{16} \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{23}{16} = 1 + \text{remainder of } 7 \\ \downarrow \\ \frac{1}{16} = 0 + \text{remainder of } 1 \end{array}$$

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System

**To perform conversions between hex & binary, it is necessary to know the four-bit binary numbers (0000 - 1111), and their equivalent hex digits.**

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

## 2-3 Hexadecimal Number System – Counting in Hex

- When counting in hex, each digit position can be incremented (increased by 1) from 0 to F.
  - On reaching value F, it is reset to 0, and the next digit position is incremented.

### Example:

**38 , 39 , 3A , 3B , 3C , 3D , 3E , 3F , 40 , 41 , 42**

**When there is a 9 in a digit position, it becomes an A when it is incremented.**

**With three hex digits, we can count from  $000_{16}$  to  $FFF_{16}$  which is  $0_{10}$  to  $4095_{10}$  — a total of  $4096 = 16^3$  values.**

## 2-4 BCD Code

- Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) is a widely used way to present decimal numbers in binary form.
  - Combines features of both decimal and binary systems.
    - Each digit is converted to a binary equivalent.
- BCD is *not* a number system.
  - It is a decimal number with each digit encoded to its binary equivalent.
- A BCD number is *not* the same as a straight binary number.
  - The primary advantage of BCD is the relative ease of converting to and from decimal.

## 2-4 BCD Code

- Convert the number  $874_{10}$  to BCD:
  - Each decimal digit is represented using 4 bits.
    - Each 4-bit group can never be greater than 9.

8	7	4	(decimal)
↓	↓	↓	
1000	0111	0100	(BCD)

- Reverse the process to convert BCD to decimal.

9	4	3	(decimal)
↓	↓	↓	
1001	0100	0011	(BCD)



## 2-4 BCD Code

- Convert 0110100000111001 (BCD) to its decimal equivalent.

0110 1000 0011 1001  
6 8 3 9

**Divide the BCD number into four-bit groups and convert each to decimal.**

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- Convert BCD 0111100001 to its decimal equivalent.

0111 1100 0001  
7     ↓     1

**The forbidden group represents  
an error in the BCD number.**

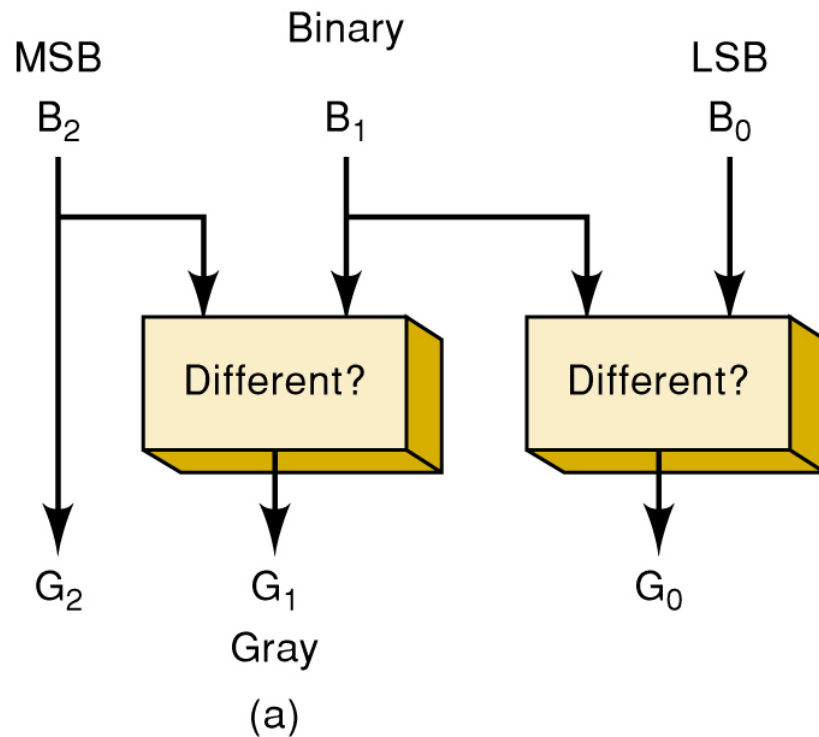
## 2-5 The Gray Code

- The Gray code is used in applications where numbers change rapidly.
  - Only one bit changes from each value to the next.

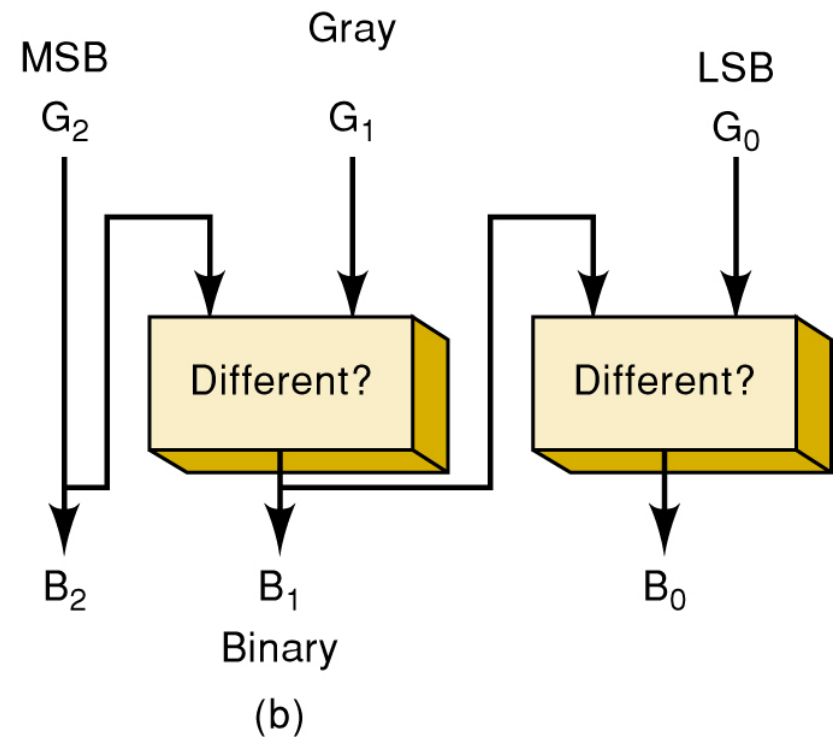
**Three bit binary  
and Gray code  
equivalents.**

B <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>0</sub>	G <sub>2</sub>	G <sub>1</sub>	G <sub>0</sub>
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0	0

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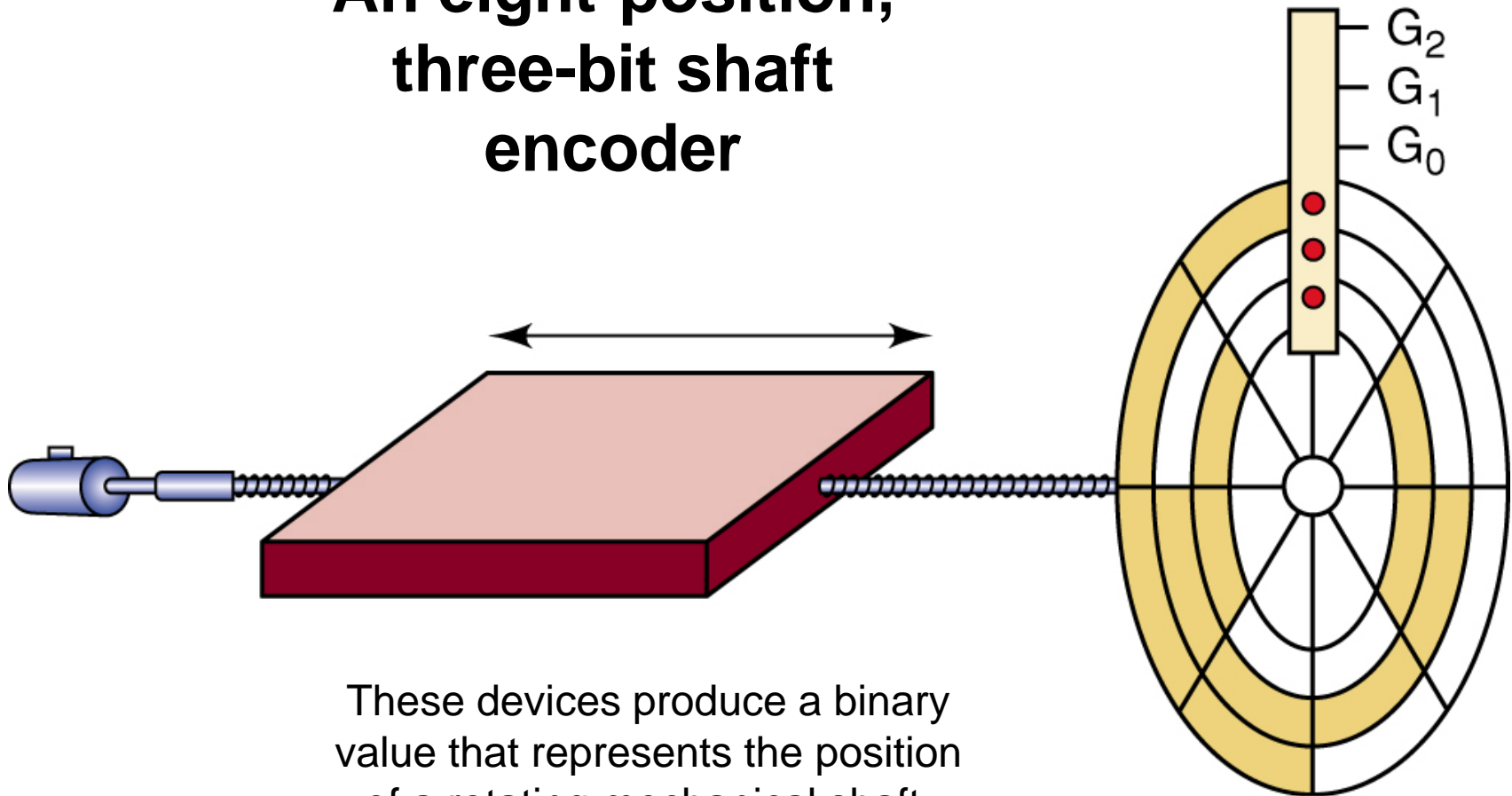


**Binary to Gray**



**Gray to Binary**

### An eight-position, three-bit shaft encoder



These devices produce a binary value that represents the position of a rotating mechanical shaft.

## 2-6 Putting It All Together

### Decimal numbers 1 – 15 in binary, hex, BCD, Gray

Decimal	Binary	Hexadecimal	BCD	GRAY
0	0	0	0000	0000
1	1	1	0001	0001
2	10	2	0010	0011
3	11	3	0011	0010
4	100	4	0100	0110
5	101	5	0101	0111
6	110	6	0110	0101
7	111	7	0111	0100
8	1000	8	1000	1100
9	1001	9	1001	1101
10	1010	A	0001 0000	1111
11	1011	B	0001 0001	1110
12	1100	C	0001 0010	1010
13	1101	D	0001 0011	1011
14	1110	E	0001 0100	1001
15	1111	F	0001 0101	1000



## 2-7 The Byte, Nibble, and Word

- Most microcomputers handle and store binary data and information in groups of eight bits.
  - 8 bits = 1 byte.
    - A byte can represent numerous types of data/information.
- Binary numbers are often broken into groups of four bits.
  - Because a group of four bits is half as big as a byte, it was named a **nibble**.
- A **word** is a group of bits that represents a certain unit of information.
  - **Word size** can be defined as the number of bits in the binary word a digital system operates on.
    - PC word size is eight bytes (64 bits).

## 2-8 Alphanumeric Codes

- Represents characters and functions found on a computer keyboard.
  - 26 lowercase & 26 uppercase letters, 10 digits, 7 punctuation marks, 20 to 40 other characters.
- ASCII – American Standard Code for Information Interchange.
  - Seven bit code:  $2^7 = 128$  possible code groups
  - Examples of use: transfer information between computers; computers & printers; internal storage.

## 2-8 Alphanumeric Codes

# ASCII – American Standard Code for Information Interchange

Character	HEX	Decimal	Character	HEX	Decimal	Character	HEX	Decimal	Character	HEX	Decimal
NUL (null)	0	0	Space	20	32	@	40	64	.	60	96
Start Heading	1	1	!	21	33	A	41	65	a	61	97
Start Text	2	2	"	22	34	B	42	66	b	62	98
End Text	3	3	#	23	35	C	43	67	c	63	99
End Transmit.	4	4	\$	24	36	D	44	68	d	64	100
Enquiry	5	5	%	25	37	E	45	69	e	65	101
Acknowledge	6	6	&	26	38	F	46	70	f	66	102
Bell	7	7	`	27	39	G	47	71	g	67	103
Backspace	8	8	(	28	40	H	48	72	h	68	104
Horiz. Tab	9	9	)	29	41	I	49	73	i	69	105
Line Feed	A	10	*	2A	42	J	4A	74	j	6A	106
Vert. Tab	B	11	+	2B	43	K	4B	75	k	6B	107
Form Feed	C	12	,	2C	44	L	4C	76	l	6C	108
Carriage Return	D	13	-	2D	45	M	4D	77	m	6D	109
Shift Out	E	14	.	2E	46	N	4E	78	n	6E	110

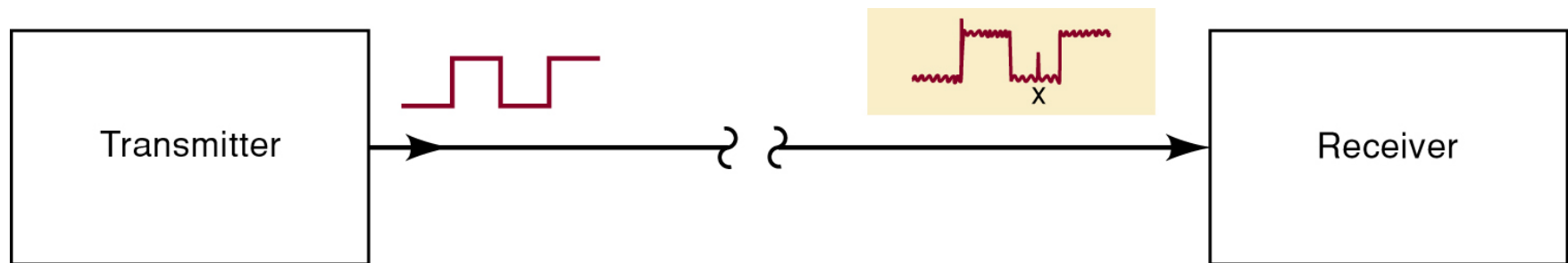
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## ● 2-9 Parity Method for Error Detection

- Binary data and codes are frequently moved between locations:
  - Digitized voice over a microwave link.
  - Storage/retrieval of data from magnetic/optical disks.
  - Communication between computer systems over telephone lines, using a modem.

## 2-9 Parity Method for Error Detection

- Electrical noise can cause errors during transmission.
  - Spurious fluctuations in voltage or current present in all electronic systems.



- Many digital systems employ methods for error detection—and sometimes correction.
  - One of the simplest and most widely used schemes for error detection is the **parity method**.

## 2-9 Parity Method for Error Detection

- The parity method of error detection requires the addition of an extra bit to a code group.
  - Called the parity bit, it can be either a 0 or 1, depending on the number of 1s in the code group.
- There are two parity methods, even and odd.
  - The transmitter and receiver must “agree” on the type of parity checking used.
    - Even seems to be used more often.

## 2-9 Parity Method for Error Detection

- Even parity method—the total number of bits in a group *including* the parity bit must add up to an *even* number.
  - The binary group **1 0 1 1** would require the addition of a parity bit **1**, making the group **1 1 0 1 1**.
    - The parity bit may be added at either end of a group.

**1** 1 0 0 0 0 1 1  
↑  
\_\_\_\_\_ added parity bit★



## 2-9 Parity Method for Error Detection

- Odd parity method—the total number of bits in a group *including* the parity bit must add up to an *odd* number.
  - The binary group **1 1 1 1** would require the addition of a parity bit **1**, making the group **1 1 1 1 1**.

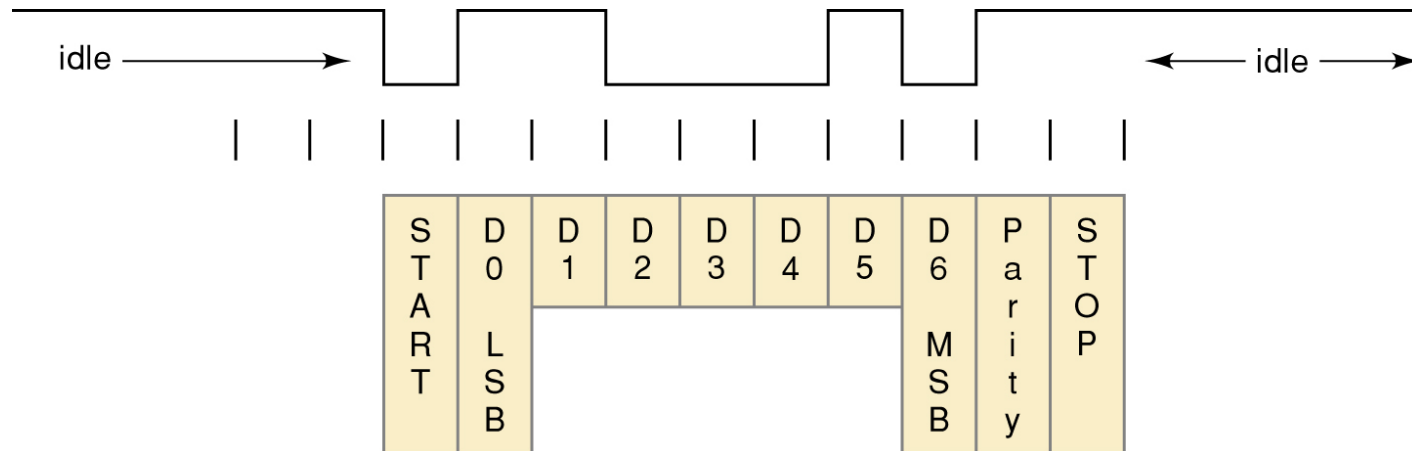
**The parity bit becomes a part of the code word.  
Adding a parity bit to the seven-bit ASCII  
code produces an eight-bit code.**

## ● 2-10 Applications

- When ASCII characters are transmitted there must be a way to tell the receiver a new character is coming.
  - There is often a need to detect errors in the transmission as well.
- The method of transfer is called asynchronous data communication.

## 2-10 Applications

- An ASCII character must be “framed” so the receiver knows where the data begins and ends.
  - The first bit must always be a start bit (logic 0).
- ASCII code is sent LSB first and MSB last.
  - After the MSB, a parity bit is appended to check for transmission errors.
  - Transmission is ended by sending a stop bit (logic 1).



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