Number System Conversions

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a) $(1001101010)_2$ to Decimal

Solution:

Converting from Binary to Decimal involves multiplying each binary digit with it's place value. Place values in binary are in powers of 2, so

$$D = 1 \times 2^9 + 1 \times 2^6 + 1 \times 2^5 + 1 \times 2^3 + 1 \times 2^1$$

$$D = 618$$

b) $(490)_{10}$ to Octal

Solution:

Dividing by 8 and reading the remainders upwards gives us the Octal number

Hence,
$$(490)_{10} = (752)_8$$

c) $(576)_8$ to Hexadecimal

Solution:

An easy way to convert between two number systems where the place values are powers of 2 is to first convert to binary, then group the numbers together. This works, because the place values being powers of 2, play along nicely.

$$(576)_8 = (\underline{101}\,\underline{111}\,\underline{110})_2$$

 $(\underline{1}\,\underline{0111}\,\underline{1110})_2 = (17E)_{16}$

Hence,
$$(576)_8 = (17E)_{16}$$

d) $(B9C0)_{16}$ to Binary

Solution:

simple in-place conversion of individual hex digits to binary works, since the base (16) is a power of 2.

$$(B9C0)_{16} = (\underline{1011}\,\underline{1001}\,\underline{1100}\,\underline{0000})_2$$

e) $(6537)_8$ to Binary

Solution:

proceed similar to the above:

$$(6537)_8 = (\underline{110}\,\underline{101}\,\underline{011}\,\underline{111})_2$$

f) $(445)_{10}$ to Octal

Solution:

proceed similar to problem ${\bf b}$

8	445	5
8	55	7
8	6	6
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Hence, $(445)_{10} = (675)_8$

g) $(11001)_2$ to Decimal

Solution:

proceed similar to problem a

$$D = 1 \times 2^4 + 1 \times 2^3 + 1 \times 2^0$$

$$D = 25$$

h) $(4AD)_{16}$ to Decimal

Solution:

This is similar to converting from Binary to Decimal: take the face value of each digit (in base 10) and multiply that with the place value of that digit

$$D = 4 \times 16^2 + 10 \times 16^1 + 13 \times 16^0$$

$$D = 1197$$