



CSC101

Introduction to ICT

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Lecture - 6

Computer Codes



Data Types

- ⚽ Numeric data consists of only numbers, 0, 1, 2, ..., 9
- ⚽ Alphabetic data consists of only letters A, B, C, ..., Z, in both uppercase and lowercase, and blank character
- ⚽ Alphanumeric data is a string of symbols where a symbol may be one of the letters A, B, C, ..., Z, in either uppercase or lowercase, or one of the digits 0, 1, 2, ..., 9, or a special character such as + - * / (= etc.



Bit, Byte, and Words

- ⚽ In binary coding, every symbol that appears in the data is represented by a group of bits (Binary Digits)
- ⚽ The group of bits used to represents a symbol is called a byte
- ⚽ As most modern coding schemes use 8 bits to represents a symbol, the term byte is often used to mean a group of 8 bits
- ⚽ To differentiate between bits and bytes, bit is written with a small 'b' while byte with a capital 'B'



Bit, Byte, and Words

- ⚽ A binary number represented using 8 bits is called a byte
- ⚽ A less common, 4 bits representation is called nibble
- ⚽ 16 bits is a word, 32 bits is a double word, and 64 bits is called a quadruple word

⚽ Other quantifiers:

⚽ KILO $1K = 2^{10}$

⚽ MEGA $1M = 2^{20}$

⚽ GIGA $1G = 2^{30}$

⚽ TERA $1T = 2^{40}$

⚽ PETA $1P = 2^{50}$



Computer Codes

- ⚙ Computer codes are used for internal representation of data in computers
- ⚙ As computers use binary numbers for internal data representation, computers codes use binary coding schemes
- ⚙ Commonly used computer codes are BCD, EBCDIC, ASCII and Unicode



Computer Codes

- ⚽ BCD or Binary Coded Decimal
- ⚽ It is one of the early computer codes
- ⚽ It uses 6 bits to represents a symbol
- ⚽ It can represents 64 (2^6) different characters



Computer Codes

Char	BCD Code		Octal
	Zone	Digit	
A	11	0001	61
B	11	0010	62
C	11	0011	63
D	11	0100	64
E	11	0101	65
F	11	0110	66
G	11	0111	67
H	11	1000	70
I	11	1001	71
J	10	0001	41
K	10	0010	42
L	10	0011	43
M	10	0100	44

Char	BCD Code		Octal
	Zone	Digit	
N	10	0101	45
O	10	0110	46
P	10	0111	47
Q	10	1000	50
R	10	1001	51
S	01	0010	22
T	01	0011	23
U	01	0100	24
V	01	0101	25
W	01	0110	26
X	01	0111	27
Y	01	1000	30
Z	01	1001	31

Character	BCD Code		Octal Equivalent
	Zone	Digit	
1	00	0001	01
2	00	0010	02
3	00	0011	03
4	00	0100	04
5	00	0101	05
6	00	0110	06
7	00	0111	07
8	00	1000	10
9	00	1001	11
0	00	1010	12



Computer Codes



Example:

The binary digits used to record the word BASE in BCD

B = 110010

A = 110001

S = 010010

E = 110101



So, 110010 110001 010010 110101 will record BASE in BCD



Computer Codes

- ⚽ EBCDIC or Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code
- ⚽ It uses 8 bits to represents a symbol
- ⚽ It can represents 256 (2^8) different characters



Computer Codes

Char	EBCDIC Code		Hex
	Digit	Zone	
A	1100	0001	C1
B	1100	0010	C2
C	1100	0011	C3
D	1100	0100	C4
E	1100	0101	C5
F	1100	0110	C6
G	1100	0111	C7
H	1100	1000	C8
I	1100	1001	C9
J	1101	0001	D1
K	1101	0010	D2
L	1101	0011	D3
M	1101	0100	D4

Char	EBCDIC Code		Hex
	Digit	Zone	
N	1101	0101	D5
O	1101	0110	D6
P	1101	0111	D7
Q	1101	1000	D8
R	1101	1001	D9
S	1110	0010	E2
T	1110	0011	E3
U	1110	0100	E4
V	1110	0101	E5
W	1110	0110	E6
X	1110	0111	E7
Y	1110	1000	E8
Z	1110	1001	E9

Character	EBCDIC Code		Hexadecimal Equivalent
	Digit	Zone	
0	1111	0000	F0
1	1111	0001	F1
2	1111	0010	F2
3	1111	0011	F3
4	1111	0100	F4
5	1111	0101	F5
6	1111	0110	F6
7	1111	0111	F7
8	1111	1000	F8
9	1111	1001	F9



Computer Codes

⚽ Example:

The binary digits used to record the word BIT in EBCDIC

B = 11000010

I = 11001001

T = 11100011

⚽ So, 11000010 11001001 11100011 will record BIT in EBCDIC



Computer Codes

- ⚽ ASCII or American Standard Code for Information Interchange
- ⚽ It is of type types, ASCII-7 and ASCII-8
- ⚽ ASCII-7 uses 7 bits (2^7) and ASCII-8 uses 8 bits (2^8) to represents a symbol
- ⚽ First 128 characters in both ASCII-7 and ASCII-8 are same



Computer Codes

Character	ASCII-7 / ASCII-8		Hexadecimal Equivalent
	Zone	Digit	
A	0100	0001	41
B	0100	0010	42
C	0100	0011	43
D	0100	0100	44
E	0100	0101	45
F	0100	0110	46
G	0100	0111	47
H	0100	1000	48
I	0100	1001	49
J	0100	1010	4A
K	0100	1011	4B
L	0100	1100	4C
M	0100	1101	4D

Character	ASCII-7 / ASCII-8		Hexadecimal Equivalent
	Zone	Digit	
N	0100	1110	4E
O	0100	1111	4F
P	0101	0000	50
Q	0101	0001	51
R	0101	0010	52
S	0101	0011	53
T	0101	0100	54
U	0101	0101	55
V	0101	0110	56
W	0101	0111	57
X	0101	1000	58
Y	0101	1001	59
Z	0101	1010	5A

Character	ASCII-7 / ASCII-8		Hexadecimal Equivalent
	Zone	Digit	
0	0011	0000	30
1	0011	0001	31
2	0011	0010	32
3	0011	0011	33
4	0011	0100	34
5	0011	0101	35
6	0011	0110	36
7	0011	0111	37
8	0011	1000	38
9	0011	1001	39



Computer Codes

⚽ Example:

The binary digits used to record the word BOY in ASCII-7

B = 1000010

O = 1001111

Y = 1011001

⚽ So, 100010 1001111 1011001 will record BOY in ASCII-7



Computer Codes

⚽ Example:

The binary digits used to record the word SKY in ASCII-8

S = 01010011

K = 01001011

Y = 01011001

⚽ So, 01010011 01001011 01011001 will record SKY in ASCII-8



Computer Codes

- ⚽ Unicode or Universal Code, provides a consistent way to encoding multilingual plain text
- ⚽ Defines codes for characters used in all major languages of the world
- ⚽ Defines codes for special characters, mathematical symbols, technical symbols and diacritics
- ⚽ Capacity to encode as many as million characters
- ⚽ Assigns each character a unique numeric value and name
- ⚽ Reserves a part of the code space for private use
- ⚽ Affords simplicity and consistency for ASCII, even corresponding characters have same code
- ⚽ Specifies an algorithm for the presentation of text with bi-directional behavior
- ⚽ Unicode Transformation Format – UTF-8, UTF-16 and UTF-32 variants
- ⚽ Read more about Unicode at <https://unicode-table.com/en/>

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