



# Embedded Programming

Cortex M : STM32L152RE

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## Agenda

1. Introduction to microcontrollers ecosystem, Memory, binary and hex numbers, basic operations (OR, AND, XOR)
2. Numbers representation (2's complement), shift operations, basic architecture
3. ALU, basic instructions, registers
4. Assembly language
5. GPIOs, basics in electronics (push-pull/Open Drain), polling vs interrupt, mapping of peripherals
6. Peripherals: timers, PWM, purpose of PWM
7. Basics of C programming
8. Standard communication (I2C/SPI/UART), ADC



# PART 1: Embedded Programming STM32

Introduction to microcontrollers ecosystem, Memory,  
binary and hex numbers, basic operations (OR, AND, XOR)

## What is a microcontroller

A microcontroller is a computer. All computers – whether you are talking about a personal desktop computer or a large mainframe computer or a microcontroller- have several things in common

- ✓ CPU
- ✓ Memory
- ✓ Input and output communication

# What is a microcontroller

Another way to see a microcontroller

- ✓ A small computer
- ✓ A Single IC
- ✓ Processor core, memory and input/output peripherals

## MicroControllers are everywhere

- Industrial

- PLC
- Inverters
- Printers, scanners
- Industrial networking
- Solar inverters



- Medical

- Glucose meters
- Portable medical care
- VPAP, CPAP
- Patient monitoring



- Buildings and security

- Alarm systems
- Access control
- HVAC
- Power meters



- Appliances

- 3-phase motor drives
- Application control
- User interfaces
- Induction cooking



- Consumer

- Home audio
- Gaming
- PC peripherals
- Digital cameras, GPS





# Common Characteristics of µControllers

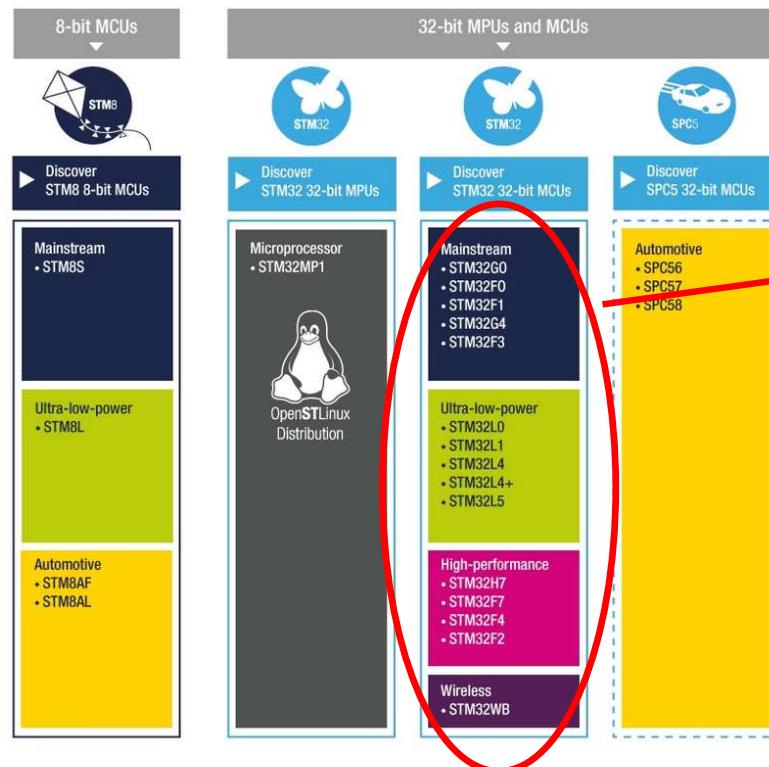
- ✓ µControllers are dedicated
- ✓ µControllers are low-power devices
- ✓ µControllers often take an input to perform an action
- ✓ µControllers are often small and low cost (from 10 cents to 10USD)
- ✓ µControllers are often ruggedized (temperature for instance)

## Cost Constraints

Engineers not only solve a technical constraint. They ALWAYS have a trade-off solution/cost

- ✓ If program is not optimized and you request a µController 10 cents more expensive...
- ✓ In automotive application where in average, a car manufacturer orders around 5 million pieces of a given µController / year
- ✓ Do you think your employer will spend 500k\$ because your code is not optimized?
- ✓ ... and a car can have easily 1,000 µController/car

## ST Microcontrollers Portfolio

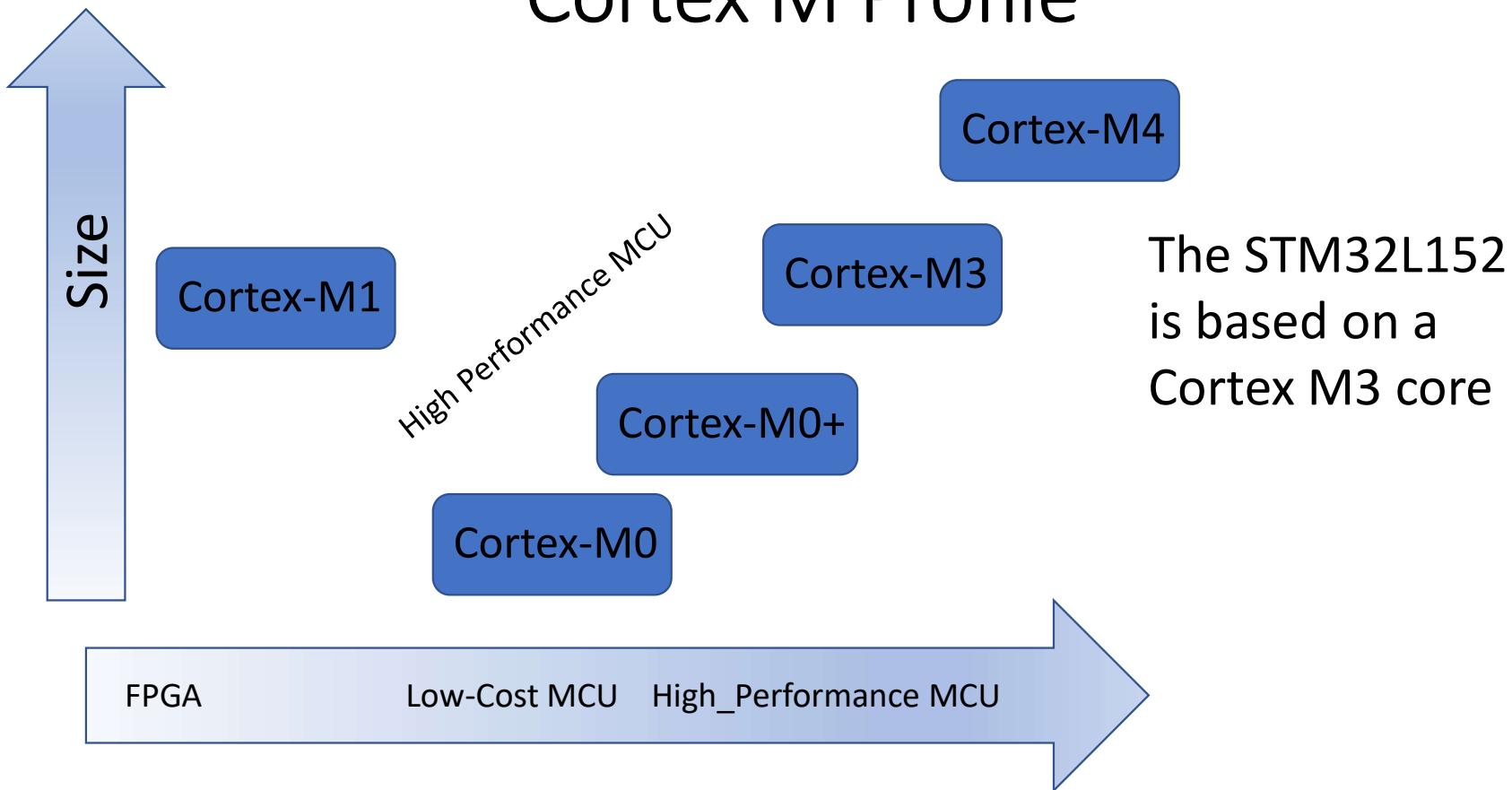


Microcontrollers  
based on Cortex M

## Various Processor Cores

Company	Core Name	Data Bus Size	Comments
Atmel	AVR	8-bit	Used for Arduino
Microchip	PIC	8-bit	Bought Atmel
Renesas		8-bit	
STMicroelectronics	STM8	8-bit	
TI	MSP	16-bit	
ARM	Cortex	32-bit	Licence core, not a silicon vendor

## Cortex M Profile



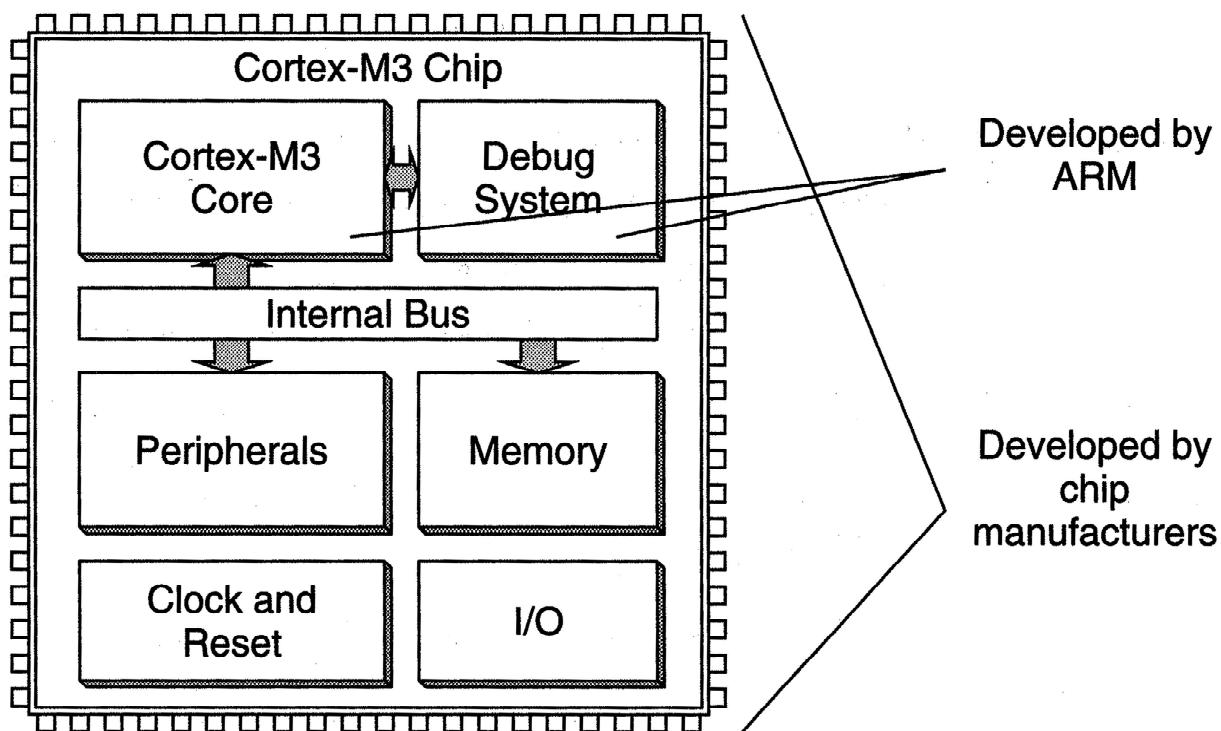
# Comparison Clock Cycles

**Table 1.1: Number of Cycles Taken for a 16 × 16 Multiply against Typical 8- and 16-bit Architectures**

8-Bit Example (8051)	16-Bit Example	ARM Cortex-M
<pre> MOV A, XL ; 2 bytes    MUL AB; 1 byte MOV B, YL ; 3 bytes    ADD A, R1; 1 byte MUL AB; 1 byte        MOV R1, A; 1 byte MOV R0, A; 1 byte      MOV A, S; 2 bytes MOV R1, B; 3 bytes      ADDC A, S2; 1 bytes MOV A, XL ; 2 bytes    MOV R2, A; 1 byte MOV B, YH ; 3 bytes    MOV A, XH ; 2 bytes MUL AB; 1 byte        MOV B, YH ; 3 bytes ADD A, R1; 1 byte      MOV R1, A; 1 byte MOV R1, A; 1 byte      MUL AB; 1 byte MOV A, B ; 2 bytes     ADD A, R2; 1 byte ADDC A, #0 ; 2 bytes   MOV R2, A; 1 byte MOV R2, A; 1 byte      MOV A, S ; 2 bytes MOV A, XH ; 2 bytes    ADDC A, #0 ; 2 bytes MOV B, YL ; 3 bytes    MOV R3, A; 1 byte </pre>	<pre> MOV R1, &amp;MulOp1 MOV R2, &amp;MulOp2 MOV SumLo, R3 MOV SumHi, R4  (Memory mapped  multiply unit) </pre>	<pre>MULS r0,r1,r0</pre>
<b>Time:</b> 48 clock cycles* <b>Code size:</b> 48 bytes	<b>Time:</b> 8 clock cycles <b>Code size:</b> 8 bytes	<b>Time:</b> 1 clock cycle <b>Code size:</b> 2 bytes

\*cycle count for a single cycle 8051 processor.

## Cortex M is licenced by ARM



## Microcontrollers Makers

### TOP 7

- STMicroelectronics, French-italian
- Cypress semiconductor (bought by Infineon), USA
- Infineon technologies ,Germany
- NXP, Germany
- Renesas, USA
- TI, USA
- Microchip



## Microcontrollers Market

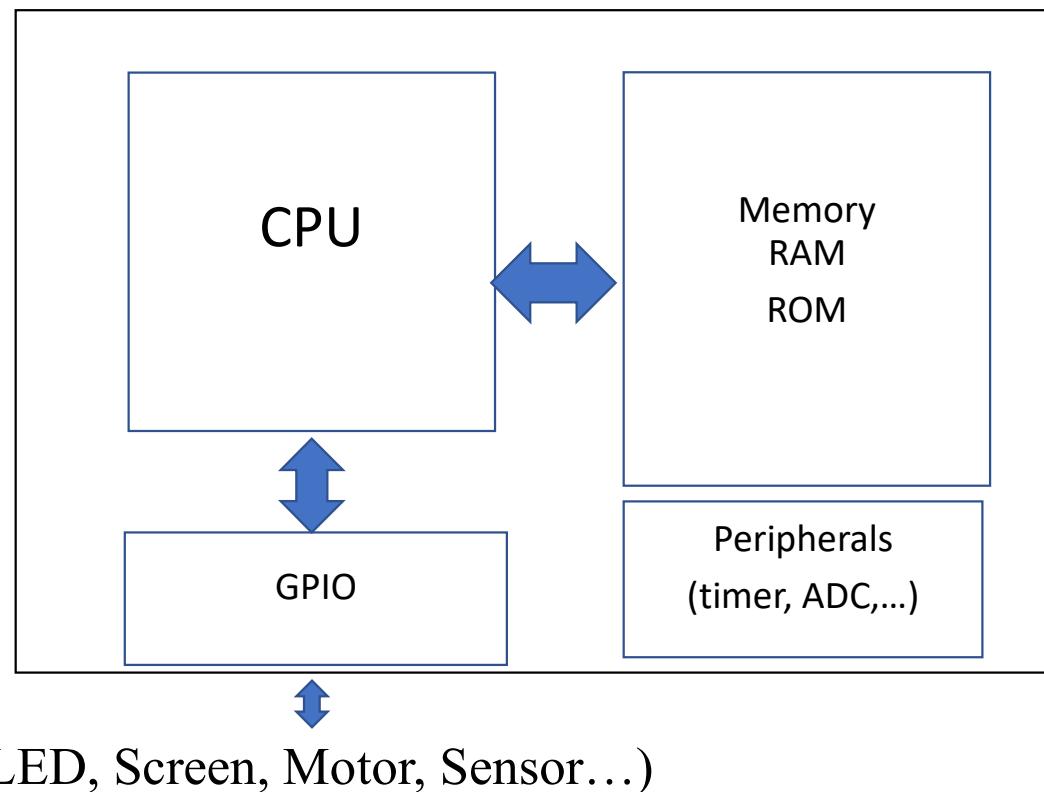


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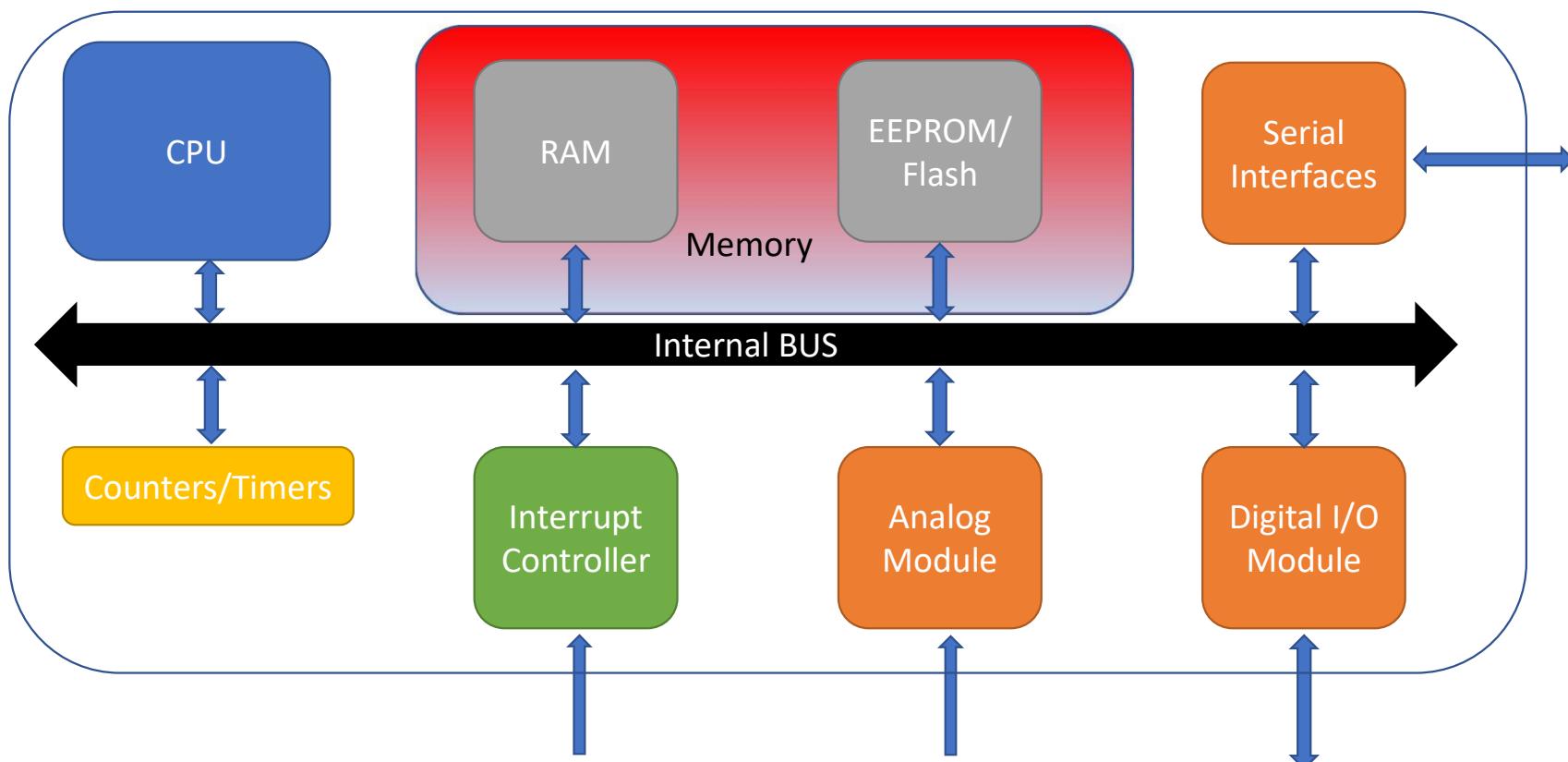
## Large Ecosystem around µControllers



## μController in One Shot



## μController Global Architecture

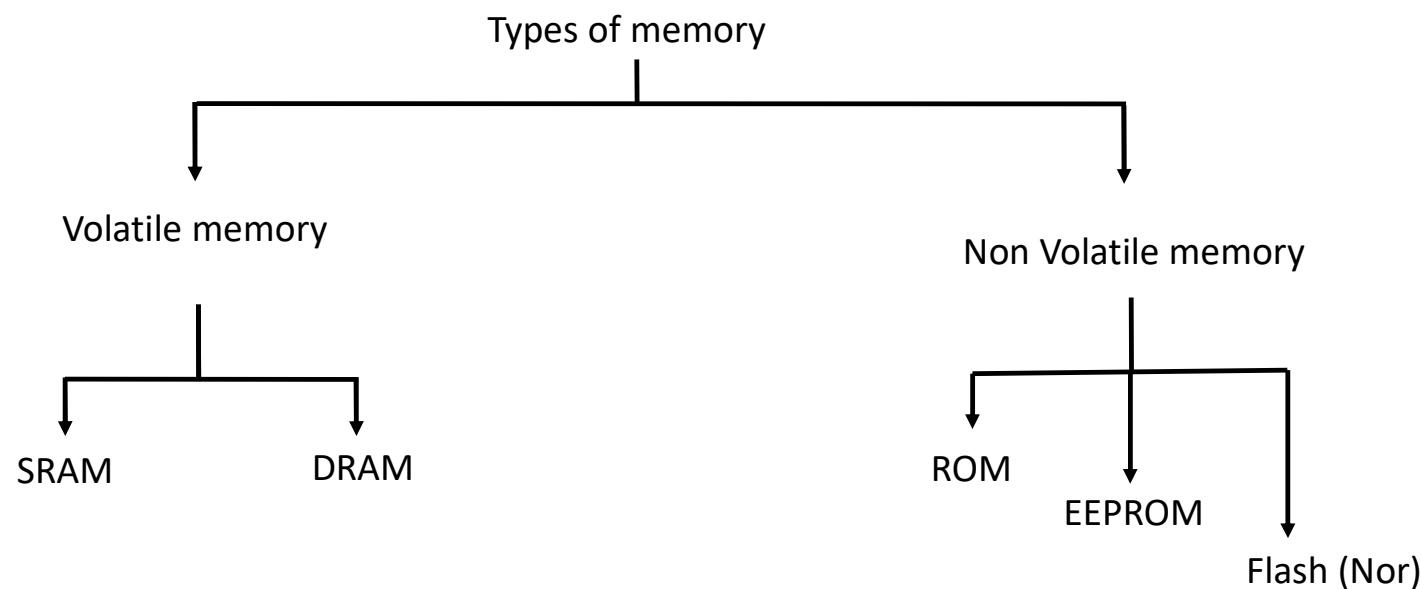




## Memory Parameters

- ✓ Volatility (able to keep data if Vcc is On or Off)
- ✓ Granularity in read and write cycle
- ✓ Endurance
- ✓ Access time to read and write
- ✓ Size / Cost

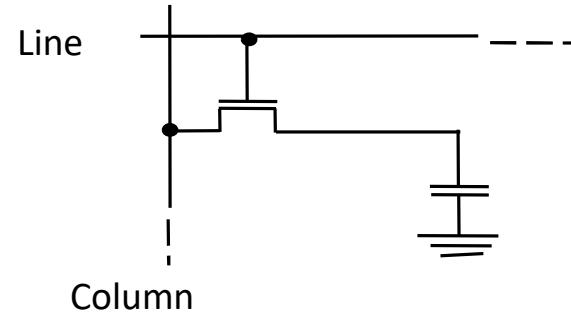
## Memory types



## DRAM Characteristics

DRAM stands for Dynamic Random Access Memory

- ✓ Volatile
- ✓ 8-bit granularity in read and write cycle
- ✓ Unlimited Endurance
- ✓ Fast access time to read and write
- ✓ Large Size / Low Cost
- ✓ High Current Consumption (must be refreshed)

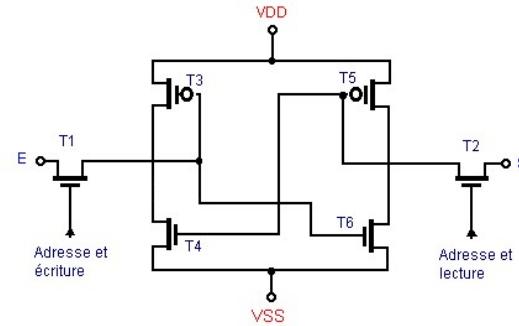


Not Used in  
μControllers

## SRAM Characteristics

SRAM stands for Static Random Access Memory

- ✓ Volatile
- ✓ 8-bit granularity in read and write cycle
- ✓ Unlimited Endurance
- ✓ Fast access time to read and write
- ✓ Large Size / High Cost
- ✓ Low Current Consumption

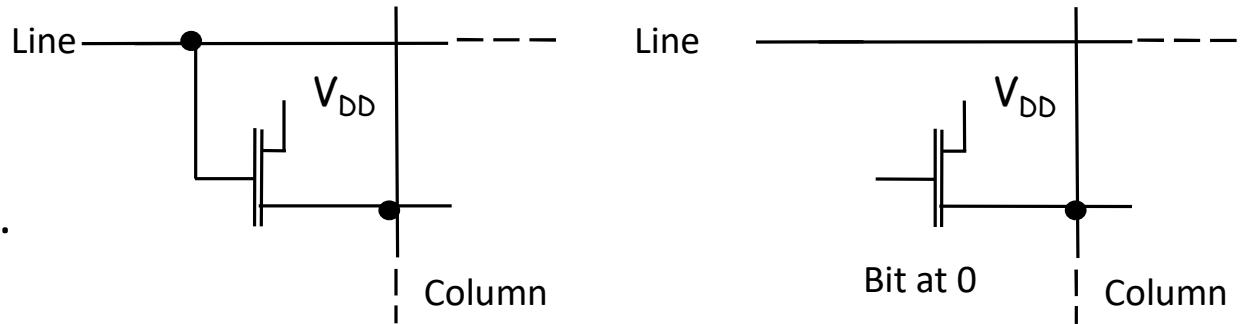


Always Used in  
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## ROM Characteristics

ROM stands for Read Only Memory

- ✓ Non-Volatile
- ✓ 8-bit granularity in read cycle.
- ✓ Unlimited Endurance
- ✓ Fast access time to read
- ✓ Large Size / Low Cost
- ✓ Impossible to Write

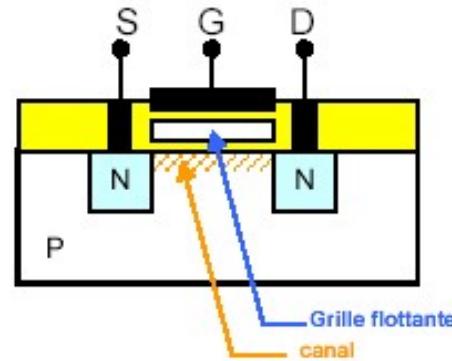


Specific Use in  
 $\mu$ Controllers for  
final Mask

## EEPROM Characteristics

EEPROM stands for electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory

- ✓ Non-Volatile
- ✓ 8-bit granularity in read / write cycle.
- ✓ limited Endurance in write cycle
- ✓ Slow access time to read / write cycle
- ✓ Medium Size / Low Cost

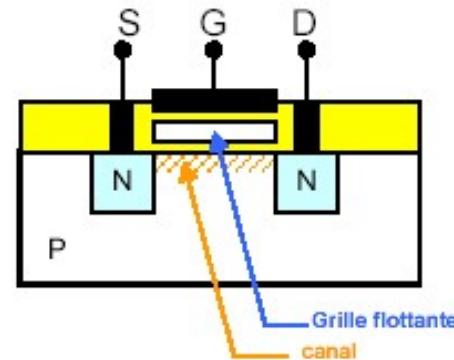


Often used in  
 $\mu$ Controllers

## FLASH (NOR) Characteristics

EEPROM stands for electrically Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory

- ✓ Non-Volatile
- ✓ 8-bit granularity in read cycle. Must write in pages (block of bytes)
- ✓ limited Endurance in write cycle
- ✓ Very Slow access time in write cycle
- ✓ Medium Size / Lower Cost than EEPROM



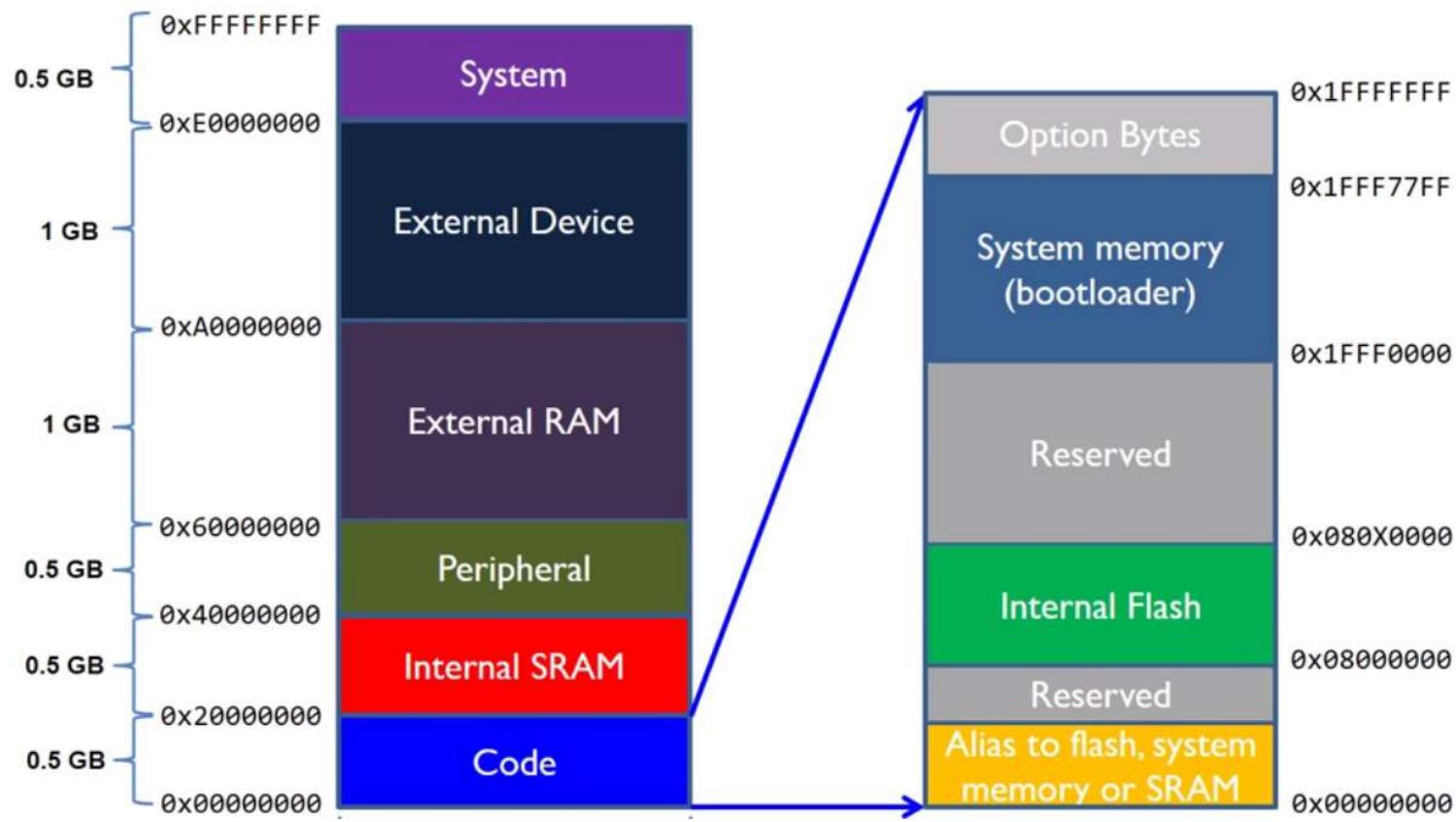
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# Other Memory Types

- ✓ Nand Flash
- ✓ SDRAM
- ✓ PSRAM
- ✓ MRAM
- ✓ FRAM

These memories are not used in Microcontroller application (a little bit for FRAM)

# STM32 Memory Organization



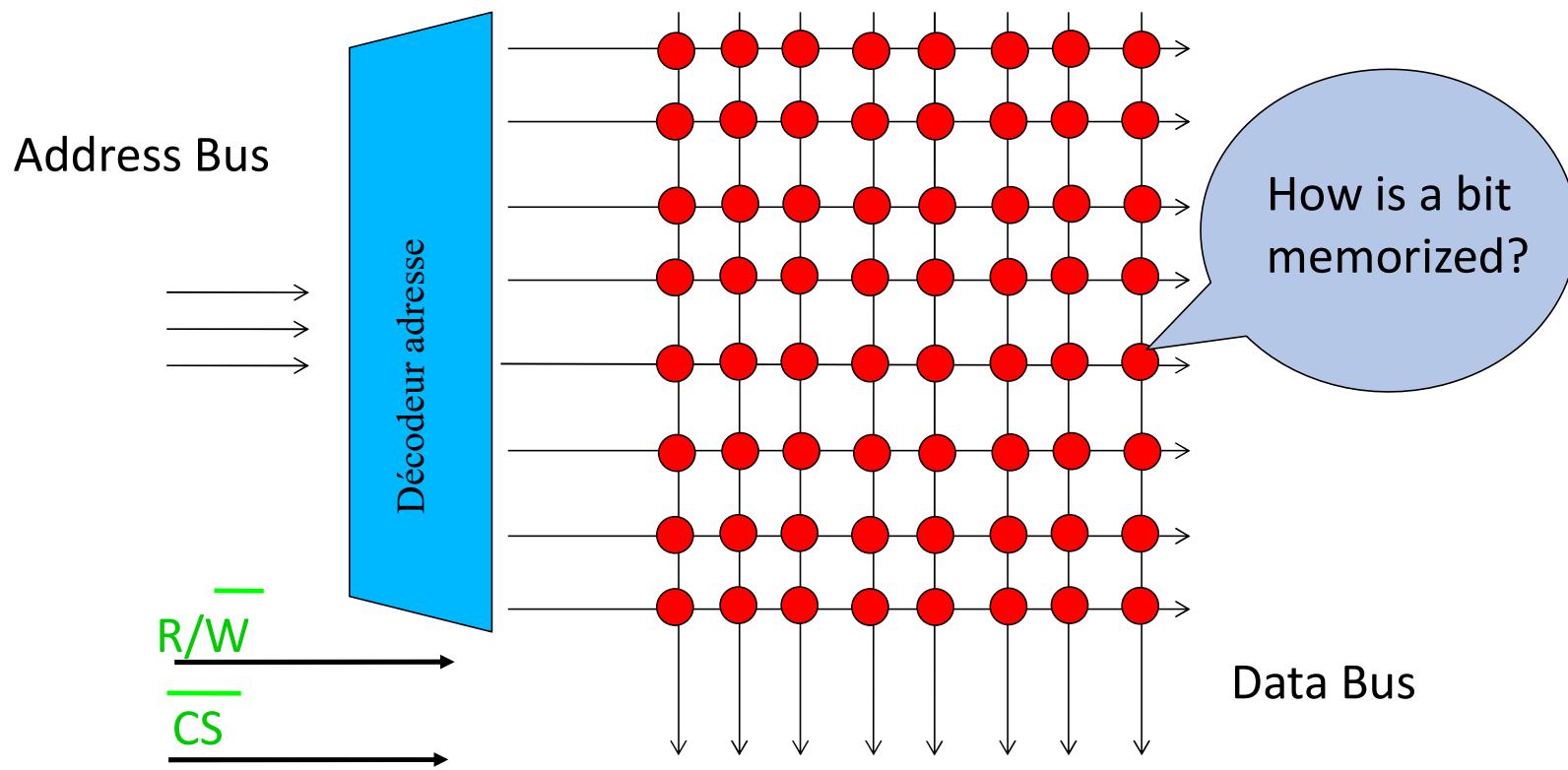
## Summary Memory Usage in µControllers

Memory	Usage
FLASH (NOR)	Store Program
EEPROM	Parameters and data
SRAM	Stack

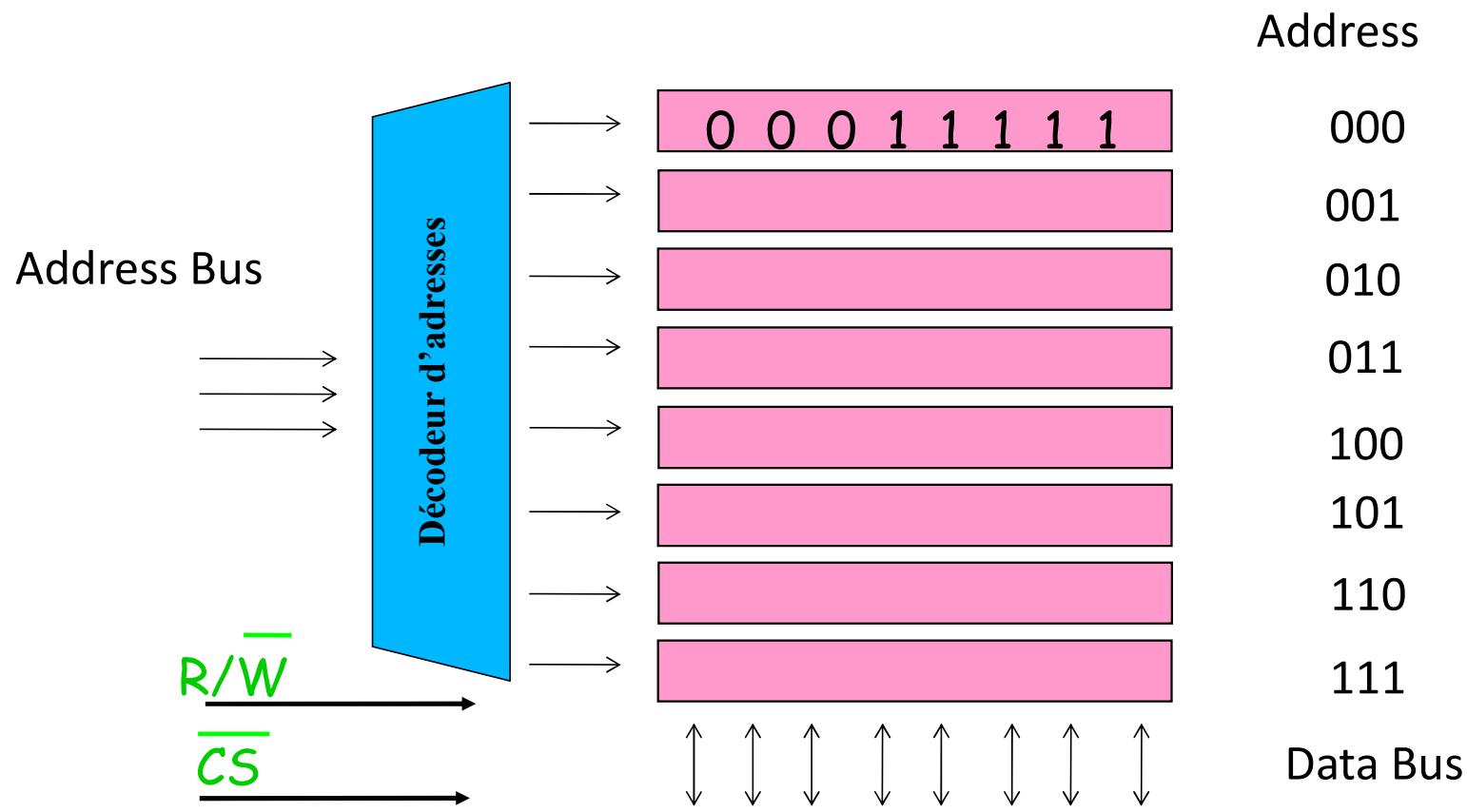
# Reason Memory Usage in µControllers

Memory	Usage	Reason
FLASH (NOR)	Store Program	✓ Non-volatile ✓ Cheaper than EEPROM
EEPROM	Parameters and data	✓ Non-volatile ✓ 8-bit granularity
SRAM	Stack	✓ Volatile ✓ 8-bit granularity ✓ Fast access ✓ Unlimited endurance

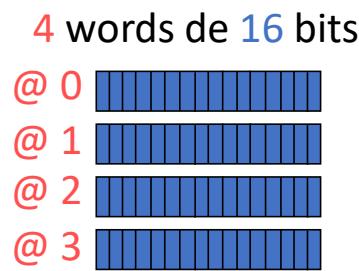
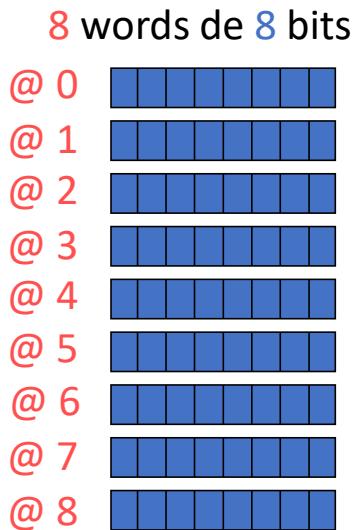
## Memory as a Matrix



## Memory Organization (8 bytes)

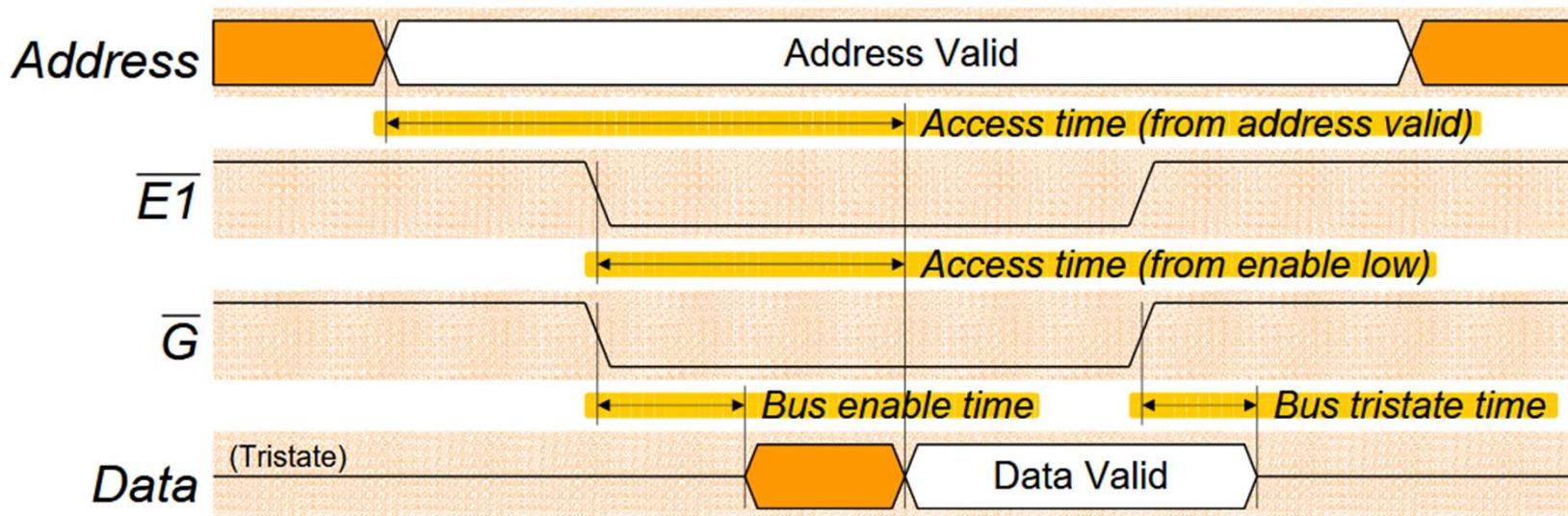


## 64-bit memory



Memory can be organized with various widths.  
In the STM32, memory is organized by 8 bits

# Reading Asynchronous SRAM



Time is required to read and write in memory

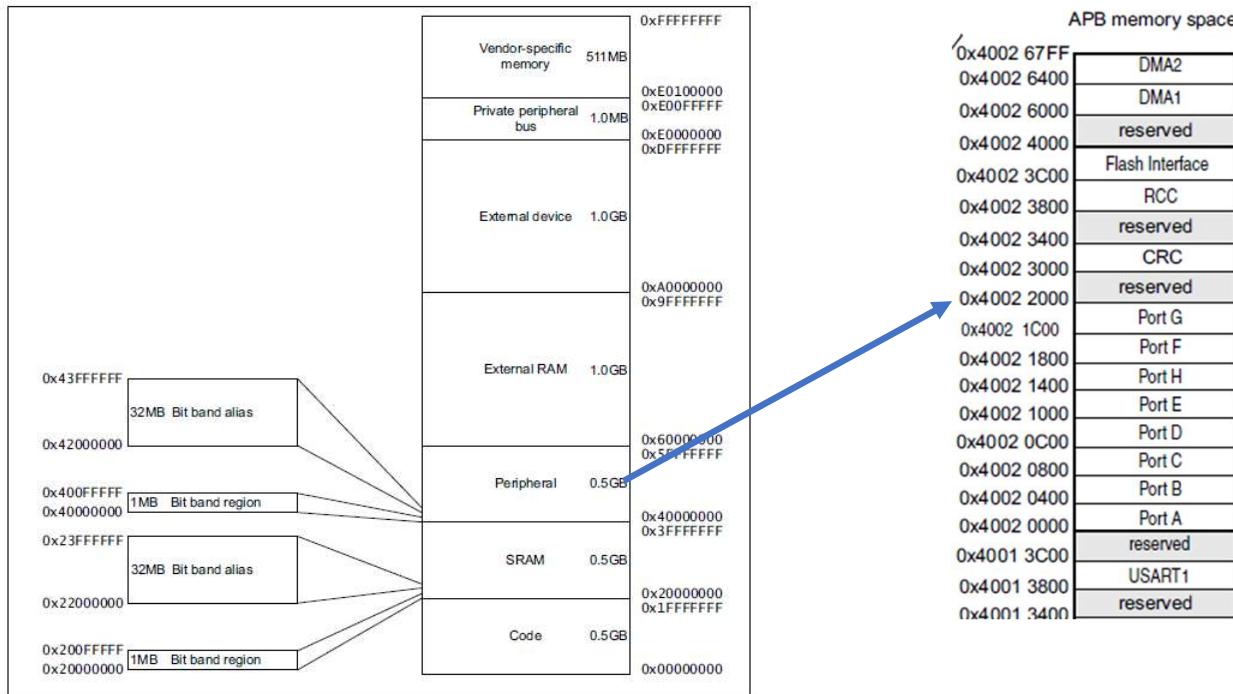
## STM32 Memory Organization

### 4GB Memory Map

The Cortex-M processors have 32-bit memory addressing and therefore have 4GB memory space. The memory space is unified, which means instructions and data share the same address space. The 4GB memory space is divided into a number of regions.

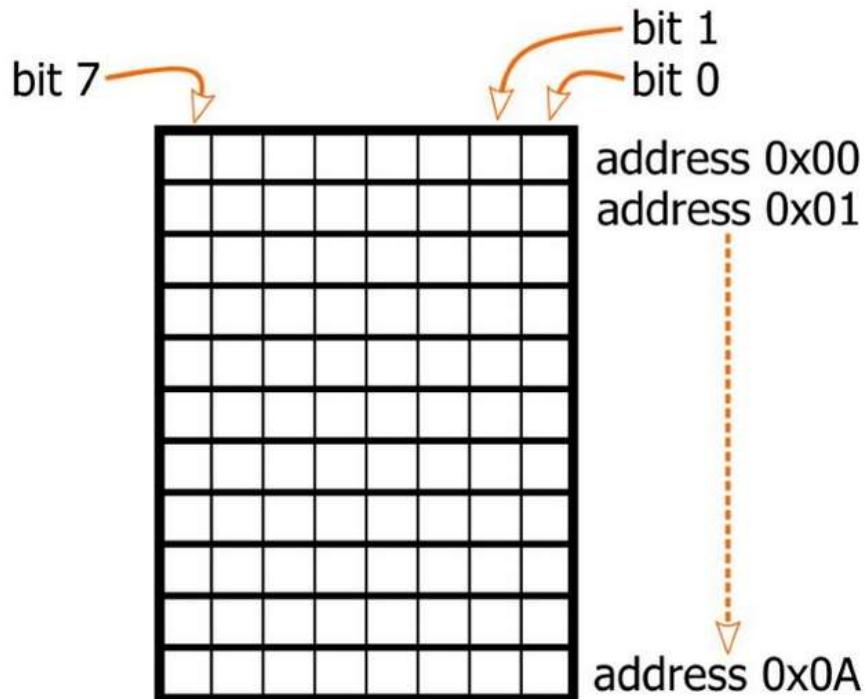
Vendor Specific	
Private peripheral bus - external	
Private peripheral bus- internal	
External Device	1.0GB
External RAM	1.0GB
Peripheral	0.5GB
SRAM	0.5GB
Code	0.5GB

## STM32 Memory Map



The configuration of a microcontroller is done through registers that are read as a memory with its address.

## Endianness



- ✓ Let's assume we want to store a 32-bit variable (4 bytes)
- ✓ It makes sense to store them in contiguous memory location
- ✓ But where to store the MSB?

# Big Vs Little Endianess

big endian

D <sub>31</sub>	D <sub>30</sub>	D <sub>29</sub>	D <sub>28</sub>	D <sub>27</sub>	D <sub>26</sub>	D <sub>25</sub>	D <sub>24</sub>
D <sub>23</sub>	D <sub>22</sub>	D <sub>21</sub>	D <sub>20</sub>	D <sub>19</sub>	D <sub>18</sub>	D <sub>17</sub>	D <sub>16</sub>
D <sub>15</sub>	D <sub>14</sub>	D <sub>13</sub>	D <sub>12</sub>	D <sub>11</sub>	D <sub>10</sub>	D <sub>9</sub>	D <sub>8</sub>
D <sub>7</sub>	D <sub>6</sub>	D <sub>5</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>0</sub>

0x00  
0x01  
0x02  
0x03

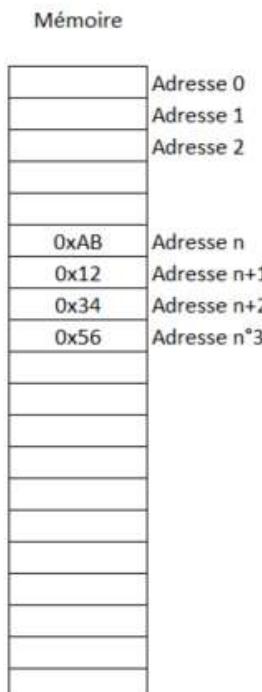
little endian

D <sub>7</sub>	D <sub>6</sub>	D <sub>5</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	D <sub>3</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>0</sub>
D <sub>15</sub>	D <sub>14</sub>	D <sub>13</sub>	D <sub>12</sub>	D <sub>11</sub>	D <sub>10</sub>	D <sub>9</sub>	D <sub>8</sub>
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0x00  
0x01  
0x02  
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'D' refers to the 32-bit data word and the subscript numbers indicate the individual bits from MSB (D<sub>31</sub>) to LSB (D<sub>0</sub>)

# Endianness

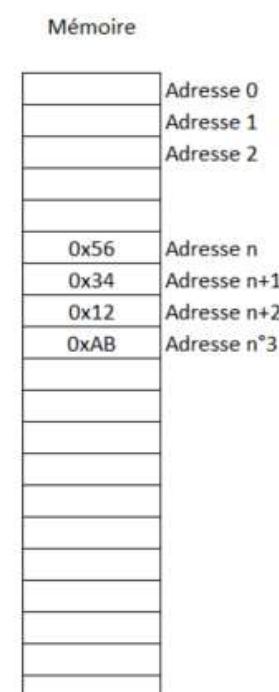


The number 0xAB123456 (2870096982) occupies 4 bytes in memory

With Big Endian, The MSB is at the lowest address.

With Little Endian, the LSB is at the lowest address.

## BIG ENDIAN



LITTLE ENDIAN

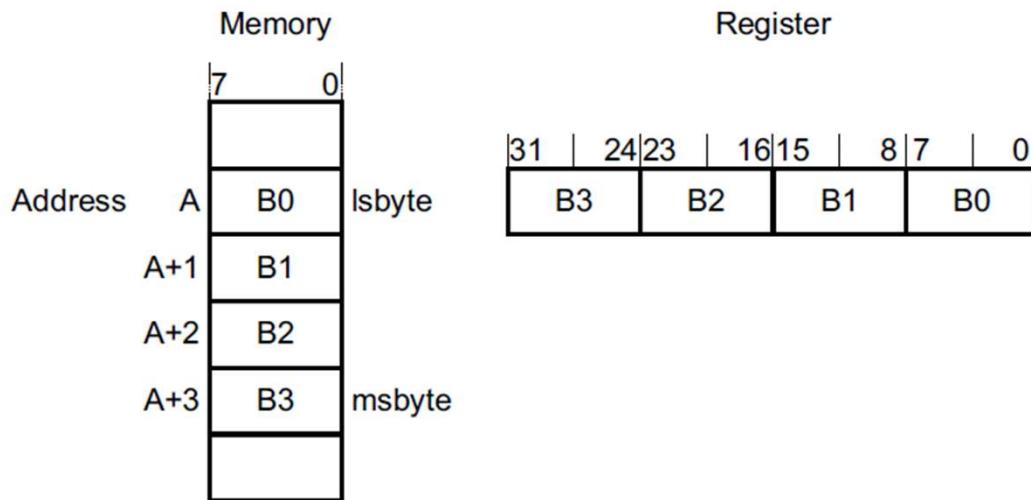
Cortex M can be little or big Endian. Read the specifications to confirm the endianness

## STM32 Endianness

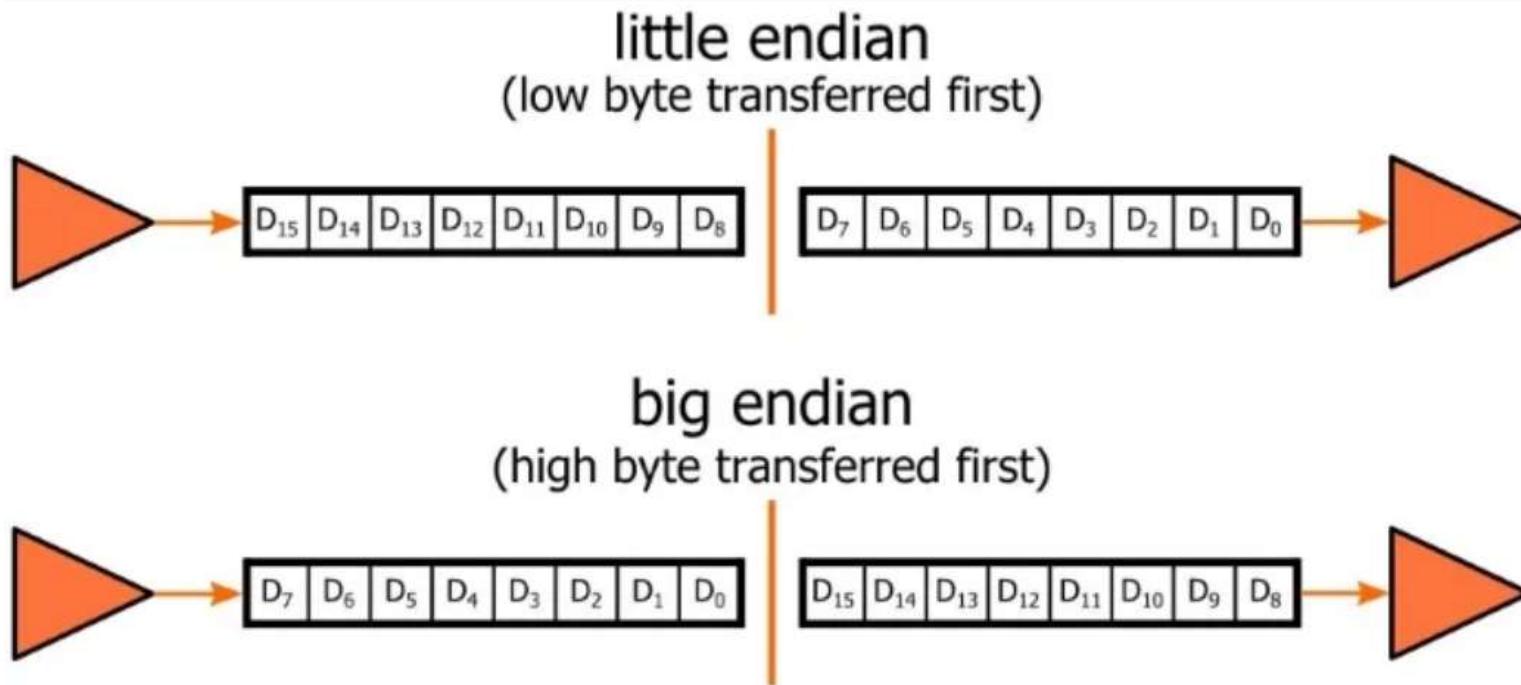
Cortex M can accept big-endian and little-endian format. Silicon vendors choose their format. Information is given in the programming manual.

The STM32L152 is designed with a little-endian format

Figure 6. Little-endian format example

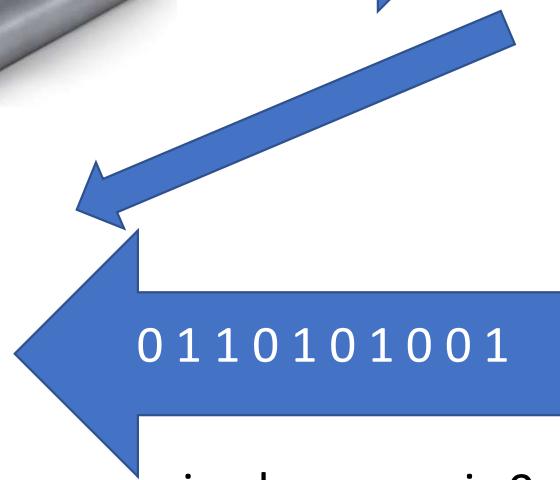
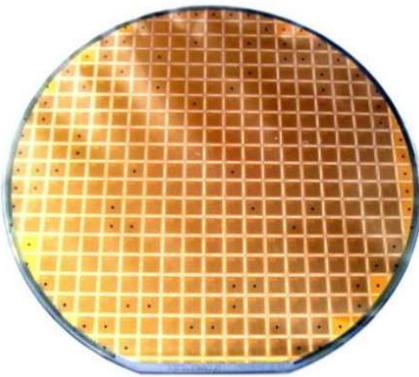


## Endianness During Communication



# Programming Language of μController

Microcontrollers are manufactured on a silicon wafer with a CMOS technology.



0 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 0 1

Programming language is 0 and 1



# Example of Memory

# This is the beginning of a program in the STM8L152

## Représentation des Nombres Base 10

### Système décimal:

Les nombres en base 10 sont constitués de 10 chiffres possibles (0-9).

Chaque chiffre d'un nombre est associé à une puissance de 10 selon sa position dans le nombre.

Par exemple :

$$123 = 1 \times 10^2 + 2 \times 10^1 + 3 \times 10^0$$

## Représentation des Nombres Base 2

Dans un ordinateur, les programmes et les données sont codées en binaire (base 2). Il n'y a donc que 2 chiffres utilisés: 0 et 1.

### Système binaire:

Les nombres en base 2 sont constitués de 2 chiffres (0 et 1).

Chaque chiffre d'un nombre est associé à une puissance de 2 selon sa position dans le nombre.

Par exemple :

$$\begin{aligned}10011 &= 1 \times 2^4 + 0 \times 2^3 + 0 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0 \\&= 16 + 2 + 1 = 19\end{aligned}$$

Les bits sont numérotés  $b_0$  à  $b_n$ , de la droite vers la gauche. Le bit de droite est le bit 0 ou Least Significant Bit.

Le bit le plus à gauche est le Most Significant Bit.

## Changement de Base (1/2)

Si on veut connaitre la valeur des chiffres décimaux constituant un nombre,  
il suffit d'effectuer plusieurs divisions par 10.

Exemple: pour 9876

$9876 / 10 = 987$  reste 6 , 6 est le chiffre des unités

$987 / 10 = 98$  reste 7, 7 est le chiffre des dizaines

$98 / 10 = 9$  reste 8, 8 est le chiffre des centaines et 9 celui des milliers

## Changement de Base (2/2)

De même pour avoir la représentation binaire d'un nombre, il suffit d'effectuer plusieurs divisions par 2

$25 / 2 = 12$  reste 1, 1 est la valeur du bit 0

$12 / 2 = 6$  reste 0, 0 est la valeur du bit 1

$6 / 2 = 3$  reste 0, 0 est la valeur du bit 2

$3 / 2 = 1$  reste 1, 1 est la valeur du bit 3

$1 / 2 = 0$  reste 1, 1 est la valeur du bit 4

25 est représenté en binaire par 11001

NB: en langage assembleur, un nombre binaire est précédé de %: ex %11001

en langage C, un nombre binaire est précédé de 0b: ex 0b11001

## Système de Représentation des Nombres

Changement de base (décimale -> binaire) :

Division successive par 2

Exemple :

$$\begin{array}{r} 35 \quad |2 \\ 17 \quad |2 \\ 8 \quad |2 \\ 4 \quad |2 \\ 2 \quad |2 \\ 1 \quad |2 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

LSB                    MSB

$$35 = \%100011$$

## Addition Binaire

A	B	S	C
0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1

$$\begin{array}{r} 0101 \\ + 0011 \\ \hline 1000 \end{array}$$

S = somme

C = retenue (carry)



## Basic Operations

In a microcontroller, the principle is to perform binary operations.  
The basics ones are:

- ✓ AND
- ✓ OR
- ✓ XOR

## ET (AND)

A	B	AND
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

$$\begin{array}{r}
 & 01010011 \\
 \text{And} & \underline{00110101} \\
 = & 00010001
 \end{array}$$

Application pratique:

- le ET sert à mettre un bit à 0 sans changer les autres bits
- Exemple: %xxxxxxxxx and %11011111=%xx0xxxxx

## OU (OR)

A	B	OR
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

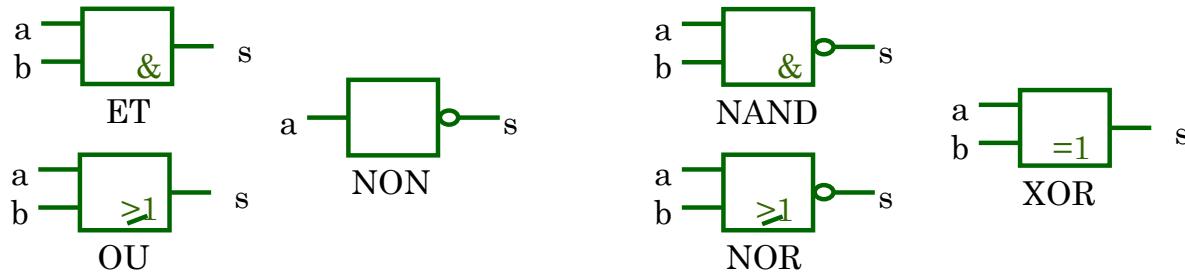
$$\begin{array}{r} 01010011 \\ \text{OR} \quad 00110101 \\ \hline = \quad 01110111 \end{array}$$

## OU Exclusif (XOR)

A	B	OR
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

$$\begin{array}{r} 01010011 \\ \text{XOR } 00110101 \\ = 01100110 \end{array}$$

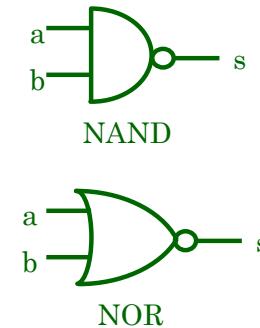
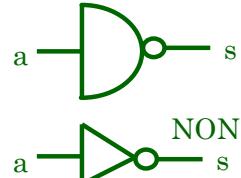
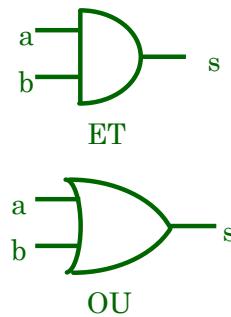
## Graphiques Portes Logiques (1/2)



La représentation française est utilisée en symboles logiques

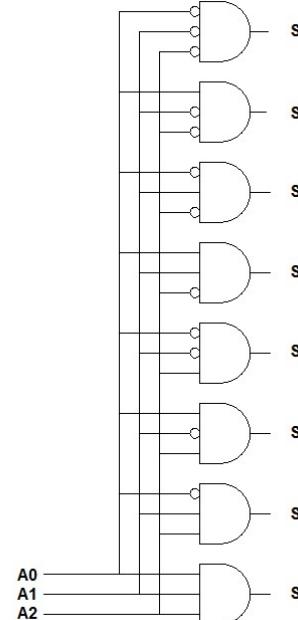
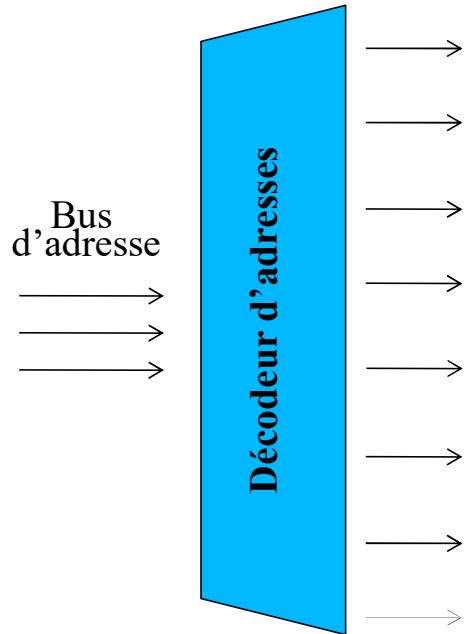
Norme ANSI/IEEE Std: 91-1984 : Standard Graphic Symbols for Logic Functions

## Graphiques Portes Logiques



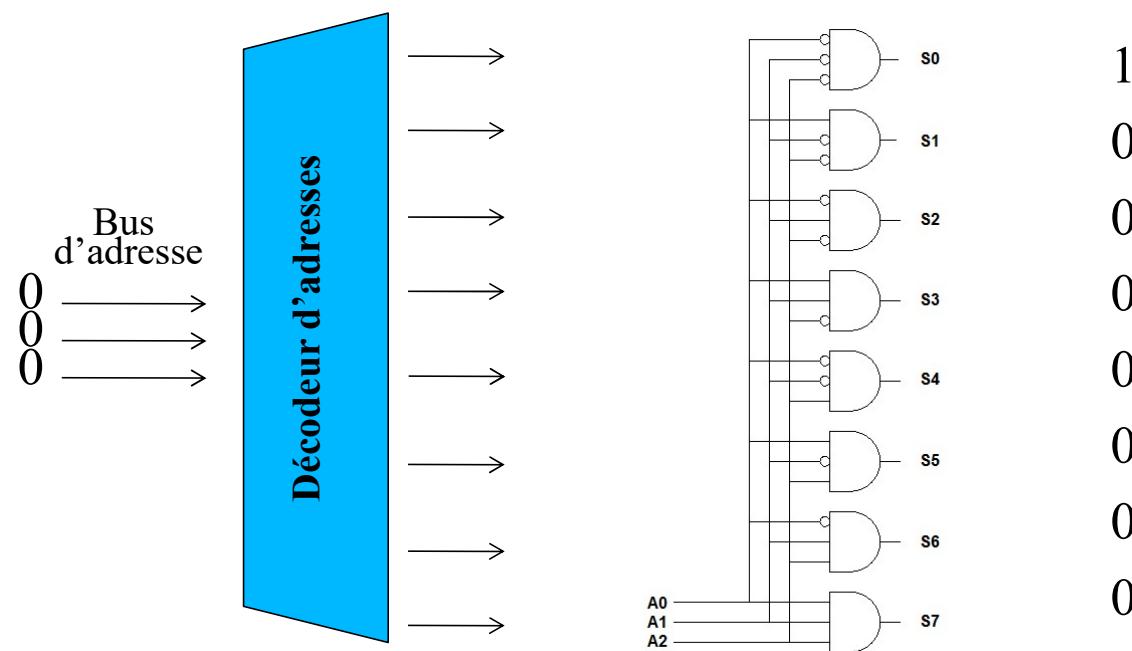
La norme américaine est la norme utilisée dans les « datasheets » pour dessiner les diagrammes (schémas) logiques.

## Memory Decoding

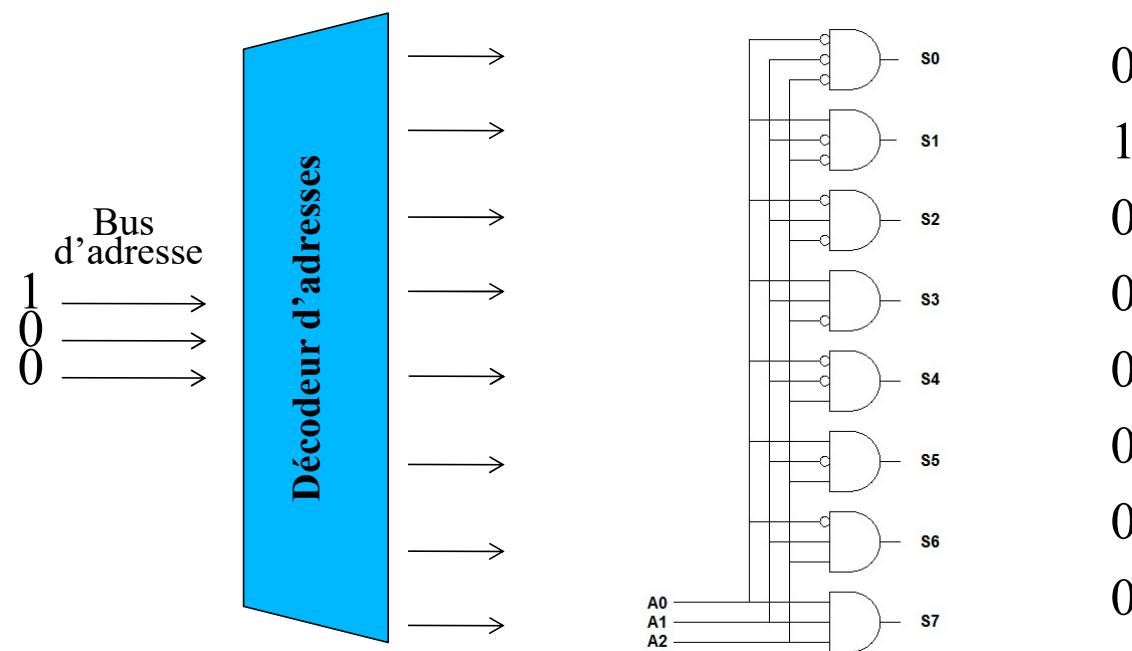


The larger the address bus is, the more complex the electronics is

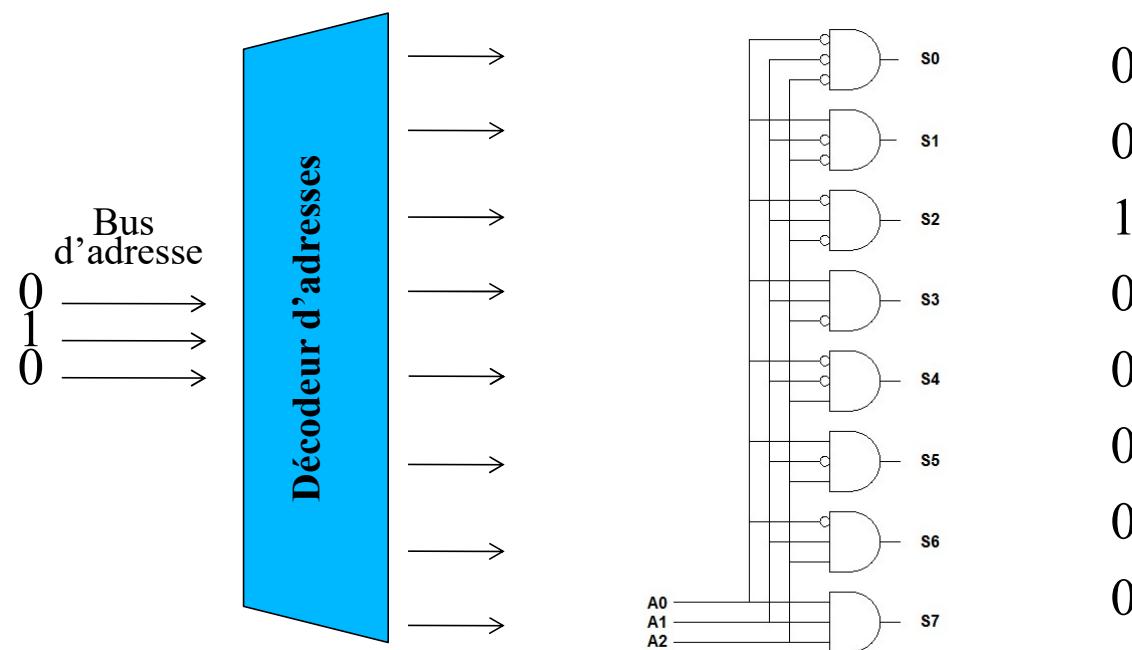
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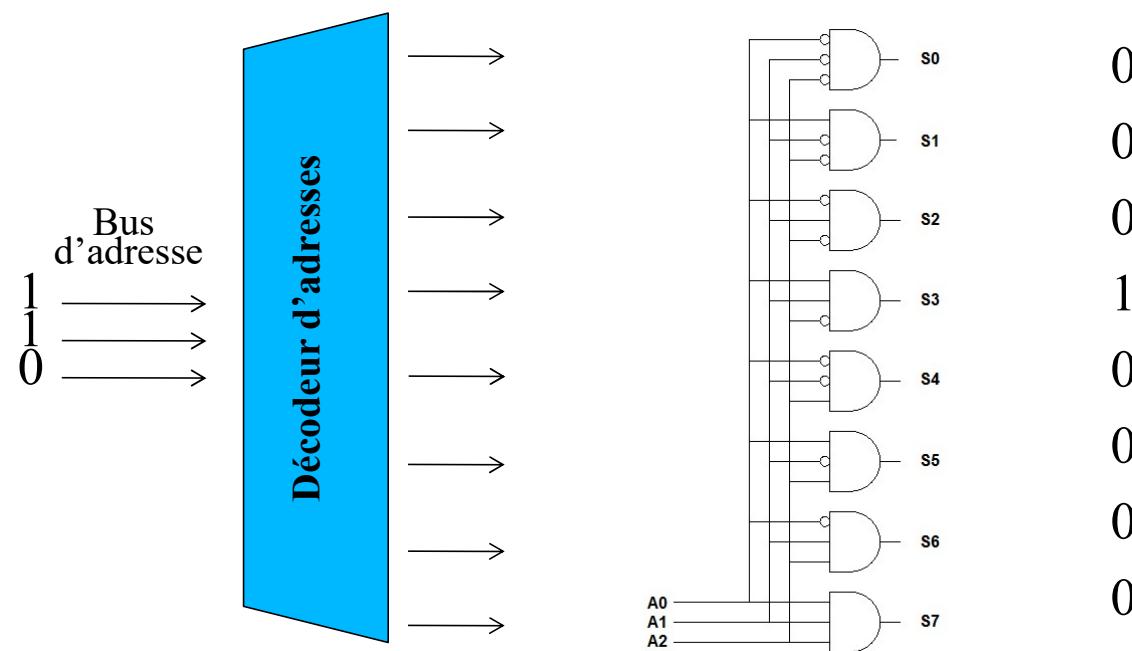
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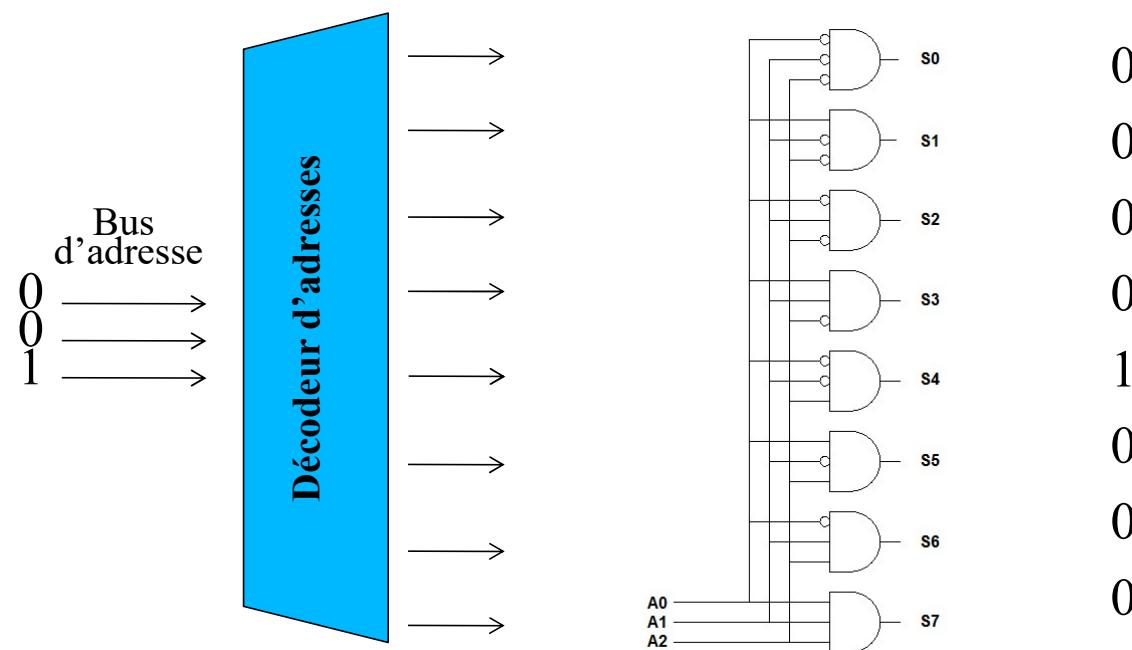
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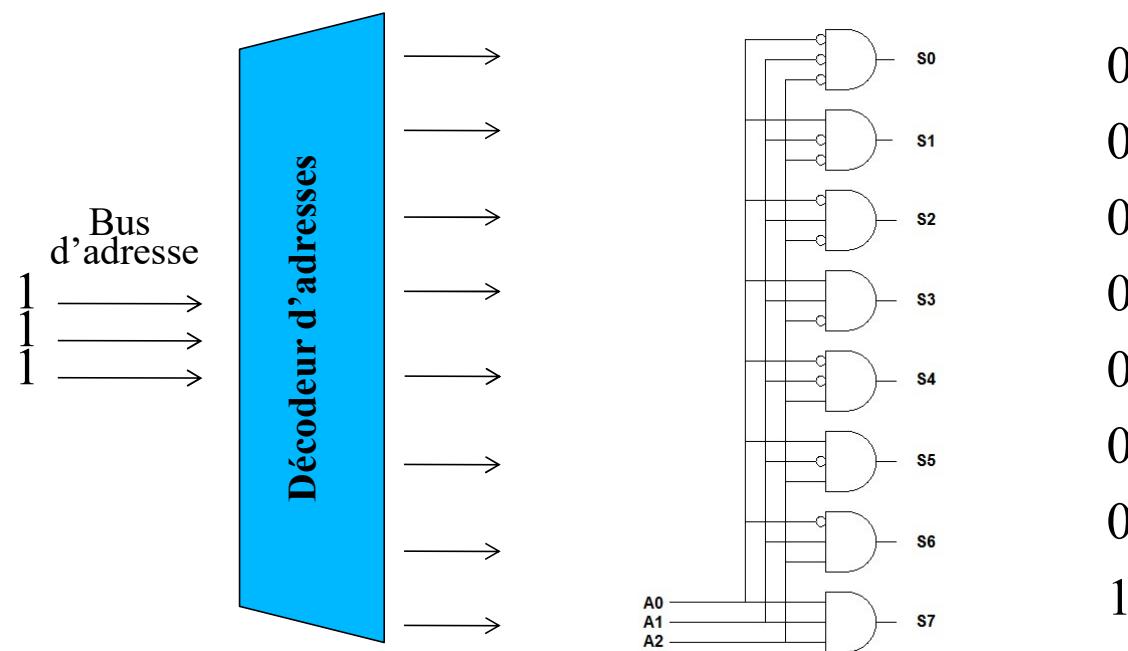
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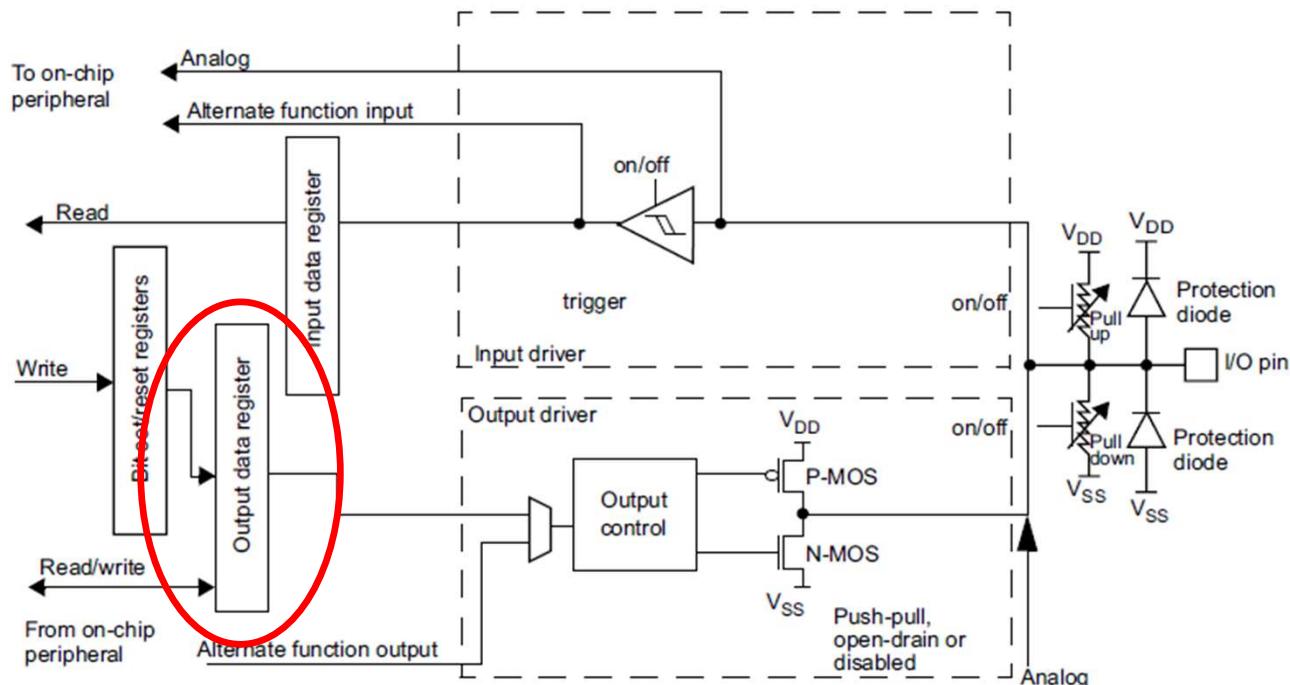
## Memory Decoding / 100



## Memory Decoding / 111



## GPIO Schematic STM32



Every peripheral is configured thanks to registers. GPIO peripheral has an Output Data Register to drive the level of a pin

## GPIO ODR STM32

### 7.4.6 GPIO port output data register (GPIOx\_ODR) (x = A..H)

Address offset: 0x14

Reset value: 0x0000 0000

31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16
Reserved															
15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
ODR15	ODR14	ODR13	ODR12	ODR11	ODR10	ODR9	ODR8	ODR7	ODR6	ODR5	ODR4	ODR3	ODR2	ODR1	ODR0
rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw	rw

Bits 31:16 Reserved, must be kept at reset value.

Bits 15:0 **ODRy**: Port output data (y = 0..15)

These bits can be read and written by software.

*Note: For atomic bit set/reset, the ODR bits can be individually set and reset by writing to the GPIOx\_BSRR register (x = A..H).*

The Output Data Register of a General Purpose Input Output is to drive the level of a pin. Each bit represents a pin → Requirement to change the value of one bit → Requirement of bit Masking

## Bit Masking

Bit masking has the following purpose

- ✓ Masking bits to 1
- ✓ Masking bits to 0
- ✓ Querying the status of a bit
- ✓ Toggling bit values

## Masking bits to 1

To turn some bits on, the bitwise **OR** operation is used. Following the principle that

$$Y \text{ OR } 1 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad Y \text{ OR } 0 = Y$$

Therefore, to make sure a bit is ON, OR can be used with a '1'. To leave a bit unchanged, OR is used with a '0'.

X	Y	X OR Y
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

masking on the  
higher nibble  
(bits 4, 5, 6, 7)

	<b>1001 0101</b>
OR	1111 0000
=	1111 0101

masking on the  
lower nibble  
(bits 0, 1, 2, 3)

	<b>1010 0101</b>
OR	0000 1111
=	1010 1111

# Masking bits to 0

To turn certain bits off, the bitwise **AND** operation can be used. Following the principle that

$$Y \text{ AND } 0 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad Y \text{ AND } 1 = Y$$

Therefore, to make sure a bit is OFF, AND can be used with a '0'. To leave a bit unchanged, AND is used with a '1'.

X	Y	X AND Y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

masking on the  
higher nibble  
(bits 4, 5, 6, 7)

	<b>1001 0101</b>
AND	0000 1111
=	0000 0101

masking on the  
lower nibble  
(bits 0, 1, 2, 3)

	<b>1010 0101</b>
AND	1111 0000
=	1010 0000

# Querying Status Bit

To check the state of individual bits regardless of the other bits, all the other bits use the bitwise AND to be turned off. Then the value is compared with '1'. If it is equal to '0', then the bit was off ('0')

X	Y	X AND Y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Check Status bit 3

	<b>1001 1101</b>
AND	0000 1000
=	0000 1000

	<b>1001 0101</b>
AND	0000 1000
=	0000 0000

## Toggling a Bit

In order to toggle, you need to perform an exclusive OR called XOR

If  $X = 0$ , Y is conserved

If  $X = 1$ , Y is toggled

X	Y	$X \text{ XOR } Y$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Toggling one byte

	<b>1001 1101</b>
XOR	1111 1111
=	0110 0010

Toggling on the lower nibble  
(bits 0, 1, 2, 3)

	<b>1001 1101</b>
XOR	0000 1111
=	1001 0010

## Numération en Hexadécimal Base 16

It's easier to manipulate large number in hexadecimal format

Numbers in base 16 have 16 available symbols

0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, A, B, C, D, E, F

Hex numbers from 0 to 32

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F

10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 1A 1B 1C 1D 1E 1F

20 ....



## Hex Numbers Notation

- ✓ In assembly language, an hex number is written with an '\$' sign: e.i. \$1AB
- ✓ In C language, an hex number is written with an '0x' sign: i.e. 0x1AB
- ✓ Binary numbers is written with a '0b' sign: i.e. 0b1000
- ✓  $0b1000\ 1010 = 0x4A$

## Conversion Hexadecimal-decimal

$$\begin{aligned}\$1A2B &= 1 \times 16^3 + 10 \times 16^2 + 2 \times 16^1 + 11 \times 16^0 \\ &= 1 \times 4096 + 10 \times 256 + 2 \times 16 + 11 \\ &= 6699\end{aligned}$$

## Conversion Decimal-Hexadecimal

e.i. : 5567

$$\begin{array}{r} 5567 \quad |16 \\ 15 \quad 347 \quad |16 \\ 11 \quad 21 \quad |16 \\ 5 \quad 1 \quad |16 \\ 1 \quad 0 \end{array}$$

$$5567 = \$15BF$$

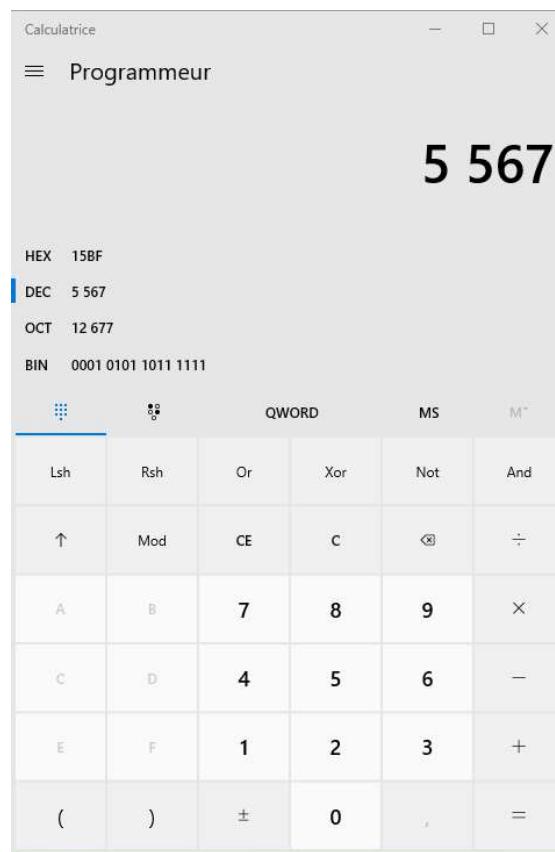
# Conversion Decimal-Hexadecimal

<i>décimal</i>	<i>binaire</i>	<i>hexadécimal</i>
<b>0</b>	0000	0
<b>1</b>	0001	1
<b>2</b>	0010	2
<b>3</b>	0011	3
<b>4</b>	0100	4
<b>5</b>	0101	5
<b>6</b>	0110	6
<b>7</b>	0111	7

<i>décimal</i>	<i>binaire</i>	<i>hexadécimal</i>
<b>8</b>	1000	8
<b>9</b>	1001	9
<b>10</b>	1010	A
<b>11</b>	1011	B
<b>12</b>	1100	C
<b>13</b>	1101	D
<b>14</b>	1110	E
<b>15</b>	1111	F

## Conversions in Calculator

Windows calculator Program



# Conversion Dec-Hex in IDE

