



Computer Arithmetic

- **Number systems**
- **Integers**
- **Floats**

Number Systems

- There are 10 types of people: those who understand binary and those who don't.
- Normally, we are using a positional number system with the base 10, but the base can be changed. (Most common are 2,8,16)
- A number $\dots a_3 a_2 a_1 a_0 . a_{-1} a_{-2} \dots$ with base b equals
$$\sum_i (a_i \cdot b^i)$$
- Example:
$$1001.101_2 = 2^3 + 2^0 + 2^{-1} + 2^{-3} = 9.625_{10}$$

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- Now, N can be expressed as

$$N_m \cdot b^m + R_{m-1} \cdot b^{m-1} + \dots + R_2 \cdot b^2 + R_1 \cdot b^1 + R_0 \cdot b^0$$

- This corresponds to the number

$$(N_m R_{m-1} \dots R_2 R_1 R_0)_b$$

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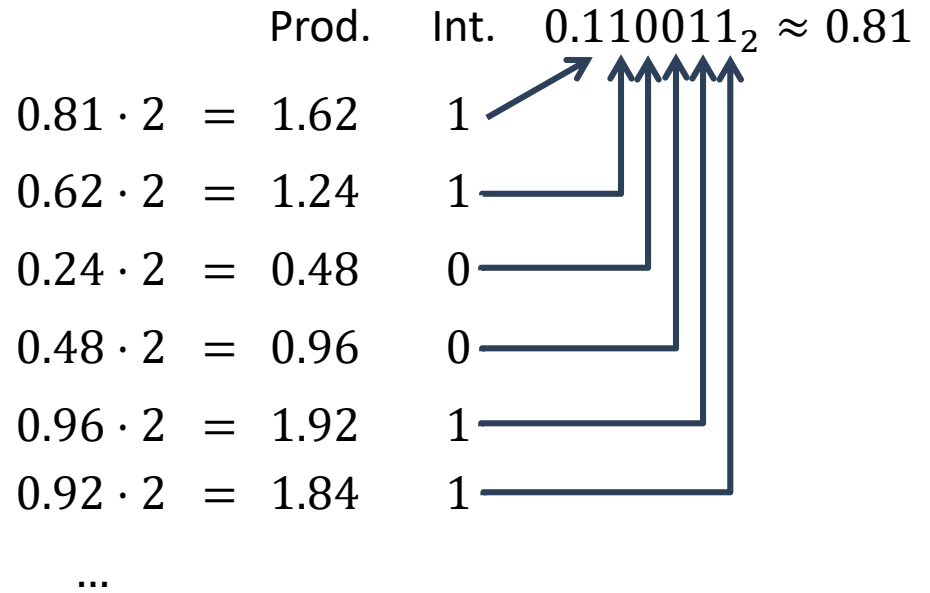
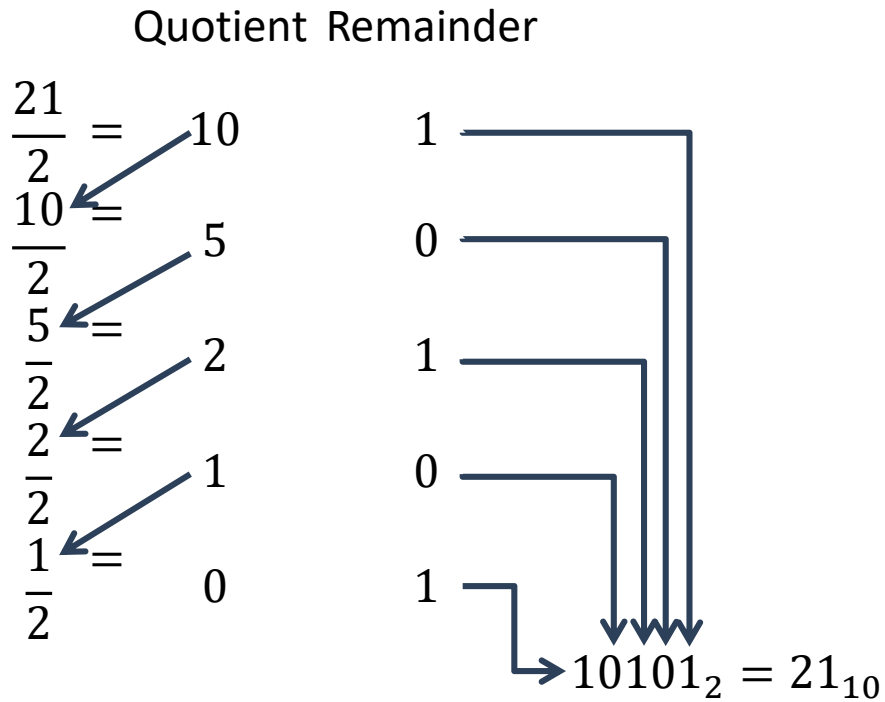
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- Analogous to before, we can say that

$$b \cdot F = b_{-1} + F_1$$

- Calculating $b \cdot F_1$ gives us b_{-2} and F_2 and so on ...

Examples



Hexadecimal

- Base 16
- Often used to look at binary code as a byte can be displayed as a two digit hexadecimal number
- Extremely easy to convert between binary and hex

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



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Representing Numbers

- With binary numbers, we can represent arbitrary numbers:
$$-1101.0101_2 = -13.3125_{10}$$
- But: On a computer, we are limited to only 0 and 1:
 - No sign-symbol
 - No radix point
- Limited space
- In the remainder:
 - LSB = Least Significant Bit
 - MSB = Most Significant Bit

Representing Negative Numbers

Sign-Magnitude Method

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- Use MSB as sign

+18	=	0001	0010
-18	=	1001	0010

- Drawback: Two representations of zero

+0	=	0000	0000
-0	=	1000	0000

- Thus, it is more complicated to check for zero (very often used)

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Twos Complement

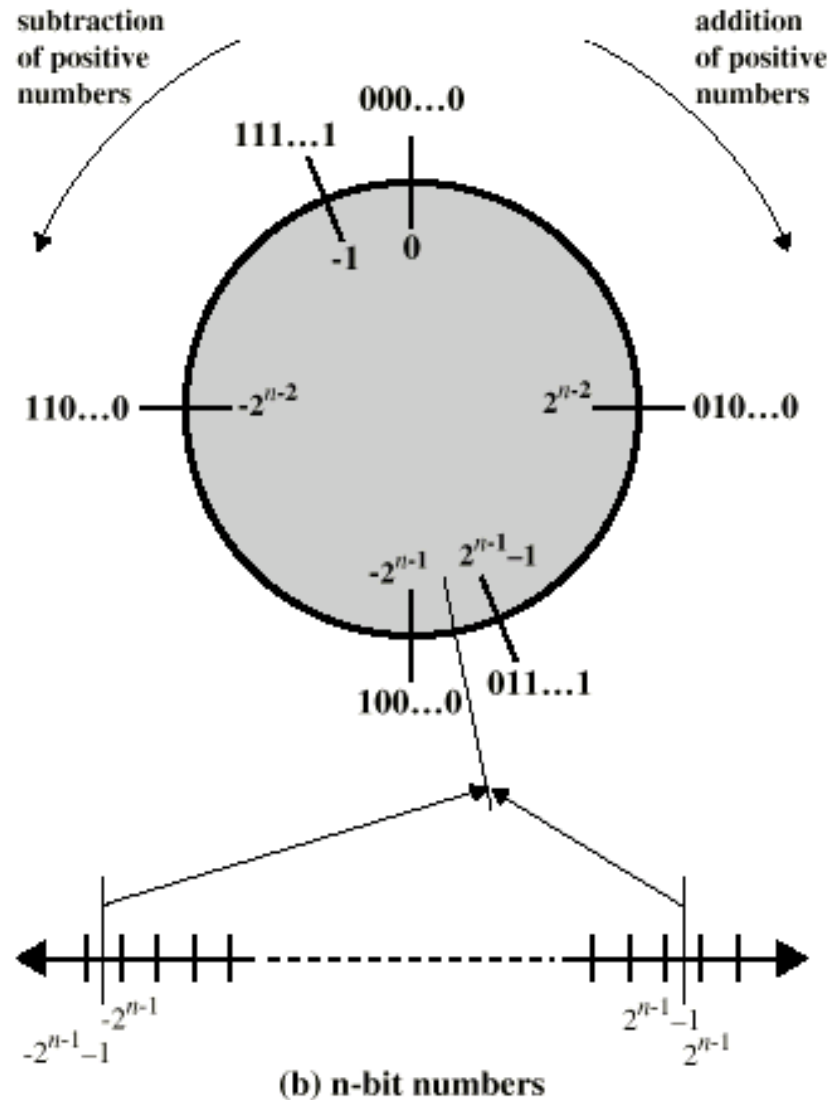
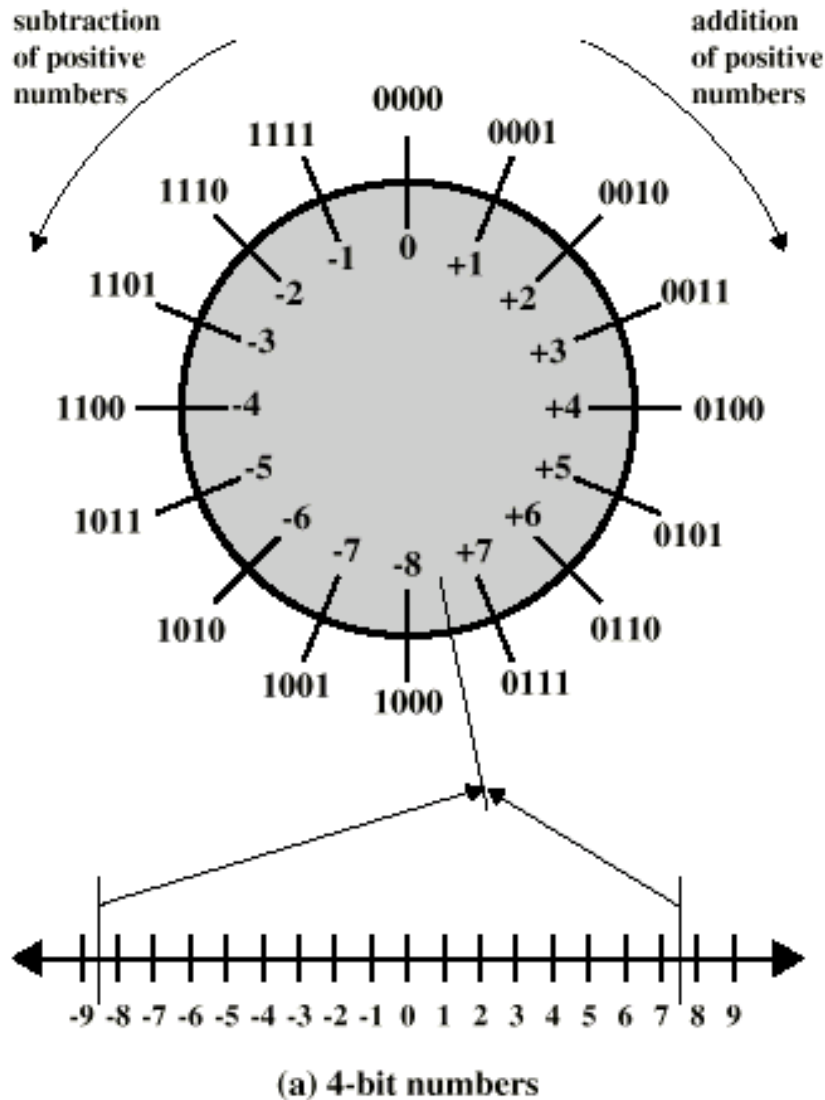
- Only one zero
- Arithmetic works pretty easy (We see that later)
- Negating is fairly simple
 - Compliment number
 - Add 1

	+18 =	0001	0010
Compliment		1110	1101
Add 1			1

	-18 =	1110	1110

- Range $2^{n-1} - 1$ through -2^{n-1}

Geometric Depiction of Twos Complement Numbers



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- Now, the twos complement works, as we have a limited number of bits to represent an integer

18	=	0001	0010
+ -18	=	1110	1110

0	=	10000	0000
		0000	0000

- More formally: The twos representation of a number equals

$$A = -2^{n-1}a_{n-1} + \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} 2^i a_i$$

Addition and Subtraction

- Subtraction is done by adding the two's complement of the subtrahend to the minuend

- $5 - 7$:

5	0101
-7	+1001

	1110
- $-4 - 1$:

-4	1100
-1	+1111

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- Overflow Rule

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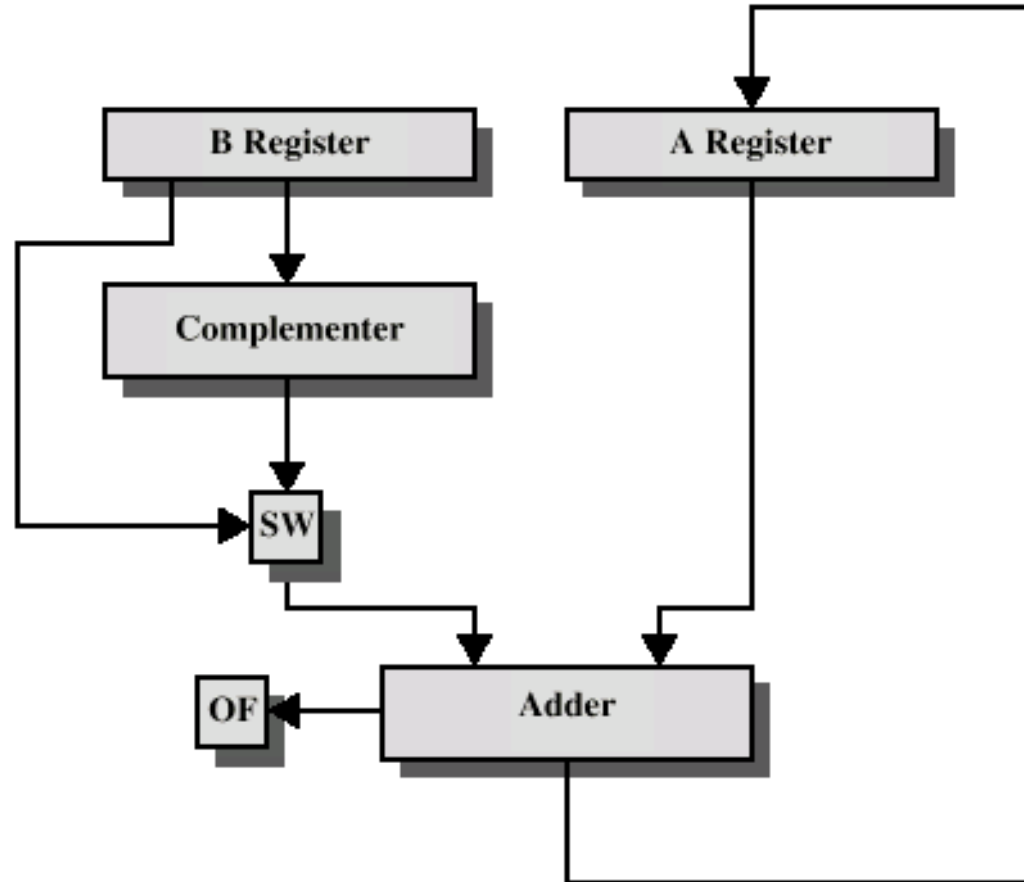
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Block Diagram for a Hardware Adder



OF = overflow bit

SW = Switch (select addition or subtraction)

Multiplication

- More complicated than adding
- Several methods exist. We first concentrate on uints
- We look at a small example

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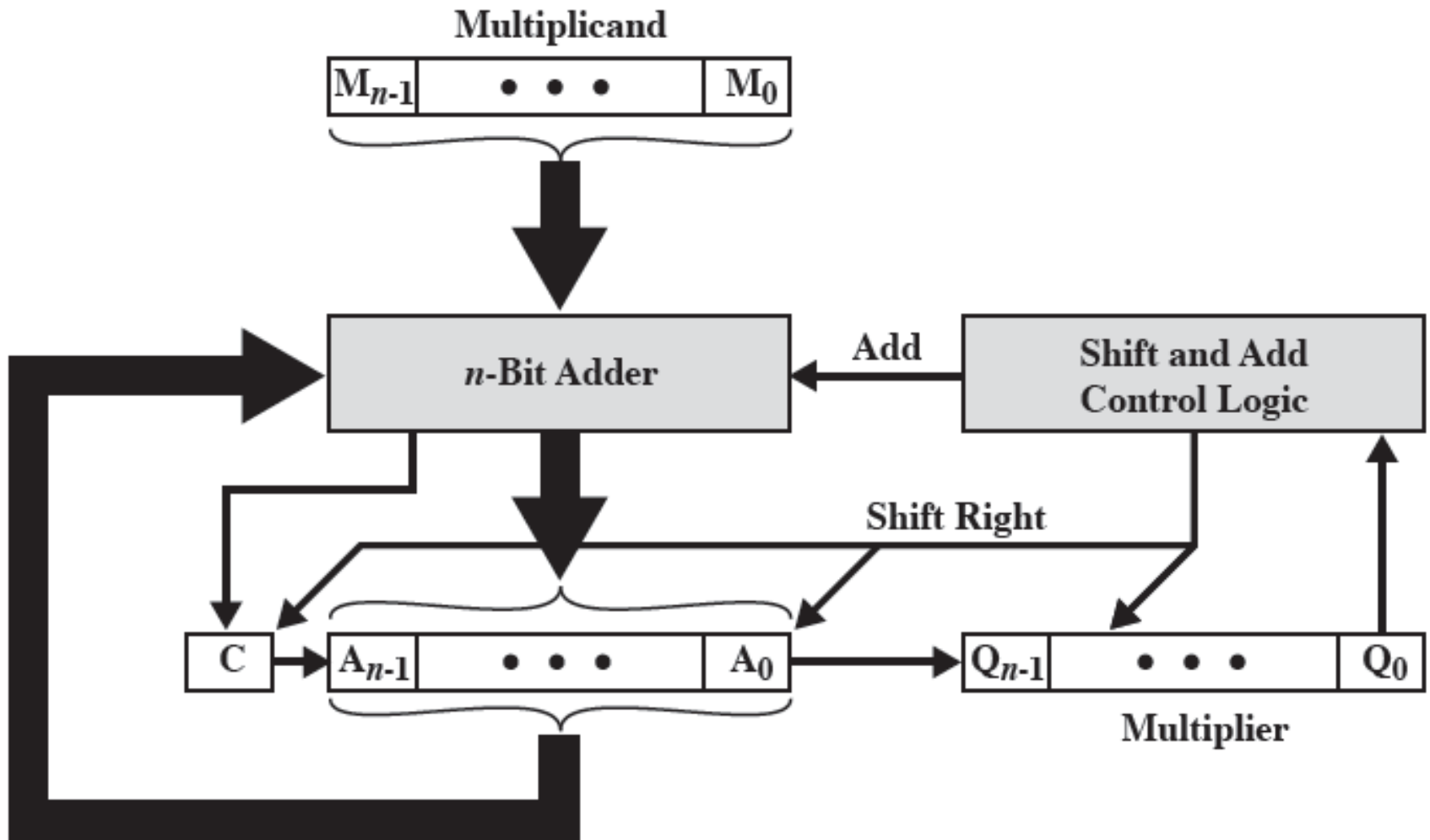
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Observations

- The partial products are either 0 or the multiplicand
- Basically only two operations needed: Add and Shift
- The multiplication of two n -bit binary integers results in a product of up to $2n$ bits in length
- We don't need to store the each partial sum
- Possible Implementation:
 - Multiplier and multiplicand are loaded into two registers (Q and M)
 - A, a third register, is initially set to 0.
 - The 1-bit C register, stores a carry bit of the multiplication
 - In order to save registers, Q will hold the results in the end, thus the multiplier gets destroyed

Hardware Implementation



Add and Shift

C	A	Q	M
0	0000	1101	1011
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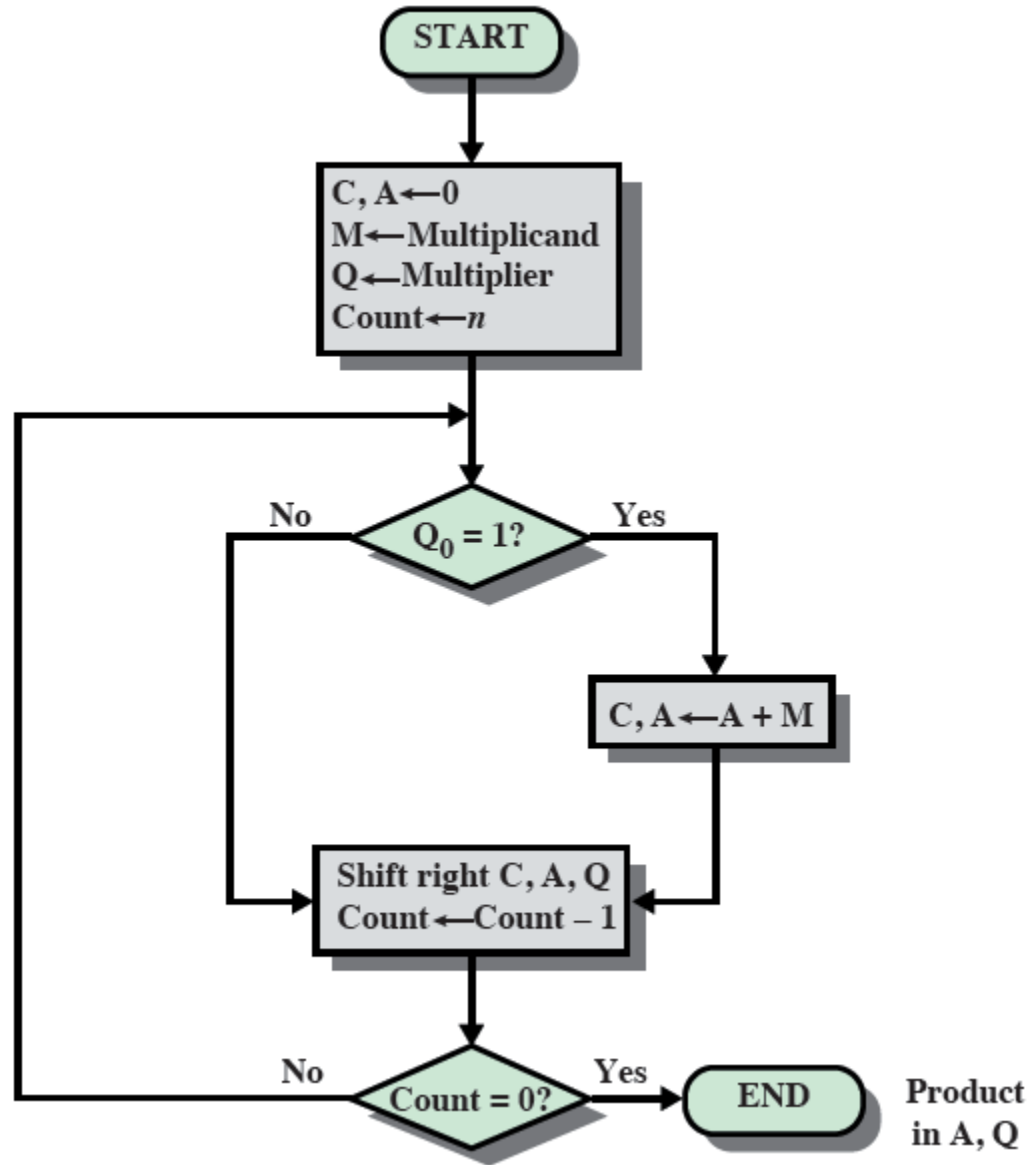
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Flow Chart of the Implementation



Twos Complement Multiplication

- With Addition and Subtraction we treated twos complements as unsigned integers, which doesn't work anymore
- The multiplication of $-7 \cdot 3$, when interpreted as unsigned int corresponds to the multiplication of $9 \cdot 3$

1001	(9)	
x0011	(3)	
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00001001	1001	$\times 2^0$
00010010	1001	$\times 2^1$
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00011011	(27)	

- The result is 27 and not -21

Twos Complement Multiplication

- What if we extend the negative number to a $2n$ bit negative number?
- Extending a signed int is done by filling the new bits with the sign

0011 -> 00000011

1001 -> 11111001

- Our Example from before:

1001	(-7)	
×0011	(3)	
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11111001	(-7) × 2 ⁰	= (-7)
11110010	(-7) × 2 ¹	= (-14)
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11101011		(-21)

- Now it seems to work

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- Unfortunately, it doesn't!
- Calculating $3 \cdot (-7)$:

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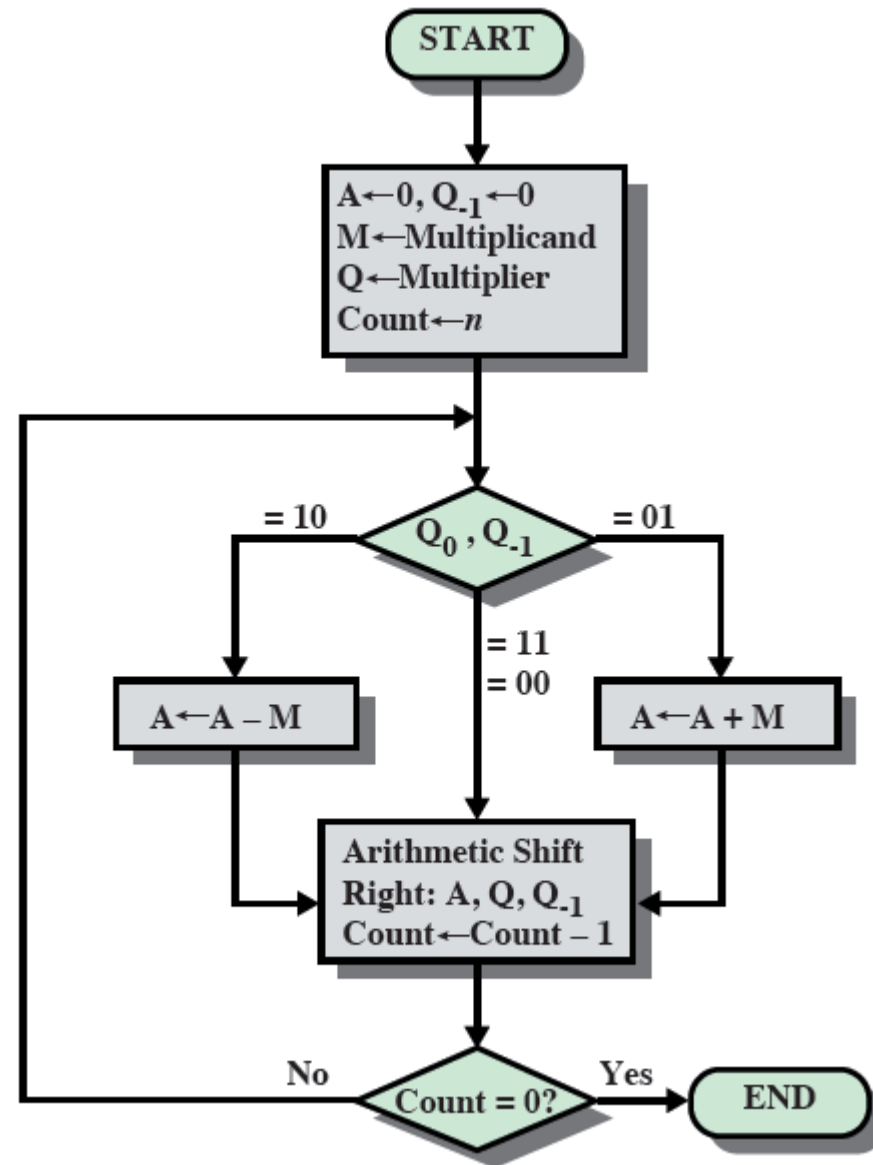
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0011 (3)	
$\times 1001 (-7)$	
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00000011 (3)	$\times 2^0 = (3)$
00000000	
00000000	
00011000 (3)	$\times 2^3 = (24)$
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00011011 (27)	

- Damn, still not working!

The Solution: Booth's Algorithm

- As before, Multiplicand is in M, Multiplier in Q
- We have an additional 1-Bit register Q_{-1}
- The Algorithm now decides to add or subtract M from A
 - Adding: $Q_0, Q_{-1} = 0, 1$
 - Subtracting: $Q_0, Q_{-1} = 1, 0$
 - Only Shifting: $Q_0, Q_{-1} = 1, 1$ or $0, 0$
- The shift is an arithmetic shift, i.e., it preserves the sign



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- This works also for blocks of size 1:

$$M \cdot 2^k = M \cdot (2^{k+1} - 2^k)$$

Booth's Algorithm: Why Does it Work?

- Booth's Algorithm uses exactly this trick
- Whenever such a block is “opened” ($Q_0, Q_{-1} = 1, 0$) we subtract
- Whenever a such a block is “closed” ($Q_0, Q_{-1} = 0, 1$) we add
- Within a block or outside, we only shift
- Does this work with negative multipliers?
 - Yes, there is a proof in the book
 - We just look at an example
- Normally, it is even more efficient than the unsinged method (worst case are the same number of additions/subtractions)

Negative Multipliers

- Let's Multiply M with -6 (11111010):

$$-6 = -2^7 + 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^1$$

- Now, using the openings and closing of Booth's algorithm:

11111010

- **Openings:** 2^3 and 2^1

- **Closings:** 2^2

- Together (openings are subtracted, closings added):

$$M \cdot (-2^3 + 2^2 - 2^1) = M \cdot (-2^3 + 2^1) = M \cdot (-6)$$

Divisions

- $\frac{147}{11} = 13$ with a remainder of 4:

10010011 / 1011

Quotient (Result)

Divisions

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$$\begin{array}{r} \textcolor{red}{1}0010011 \ / \ 1011 \\ \underline{-1011} \end{array} \qquad \textcolor{red}{1011} > 1$$

Quotient (Result)

Divisions

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	$\textcolor{red}{1011} > 10$
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Divisions

- $\frac{147}{11} = 13$ with a remainder of 4:

$\begin{array}{r} \textcolor{red}{100}10011 \text{ / } 1011 \\ \underline{-1011} \end{array}$	$1011 > 100$
$\hline 00$	Quotient (Result)

Divisions

- $\frac{147}{11} = 13$ with a remainder of 4:

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-1011	
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000	Quotient (Result)

Divisions

- $\frac{147}{11} = 13$ with a remainder of 4:

$\begin{array}{r} \textcolor{red}{1001}0011 \text{ / } 1011 \\ \underline{-1011} \end{array}$	$\textcolor{red}{1011} > \textcolor{red}{1001}$
$\underline{}$	
000	Quotient (Result)

Divisions

- $\frac{147}{11} = 13$ with a remainder of 4:

$\begin{array}{r} 10010011 \text{ / } 1011 \\ -1011 \\ \hline \end{array}$	
$\begin{array}{r} 0000 \\ \hline \end{array}$	Quotient (Result)

Divisions

- $\frac{147}{11} = 13$ with a remainder of 4:

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Divisions

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<u>-1011</u>	
111	Partial Remainder
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00001	Quotient (Result)

Divisions

- $\frac{147}{11} = 13$ with a remainder of 4:

$\begin{array}{r} 10010\textcolor{red}{0}11 \\ \underline{-1011} \\ \textcolor{red}{1110} \\ \underline{-1011} \\ 00001 \end{array}$	<p>Partial Remainder $1011 < 1110$</p>
00001	Quotient (Result)

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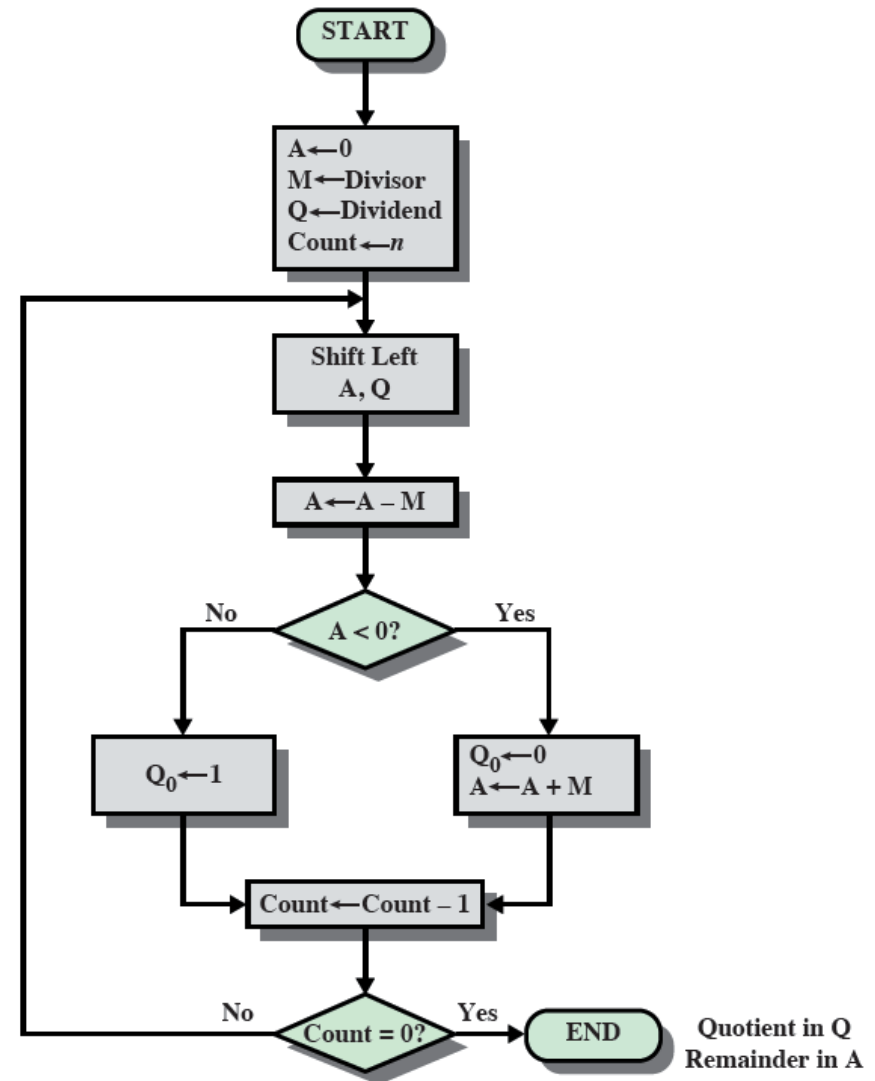
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001111	Partial Remainder
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100	Remainder
<u>00001101</u>	Final Result

Flow Chart of the Division

- The Divisor is placed in M, the Dividend in Q.
- A stores the partial Remainders
- At the end, Q holds the Quotient, A the remainder.



Step for Step: 7/3

A	Q	M	
0000	0111	0011	Initial Values

Step for Step: 7/3

A	Q	M	
0000	0111	0011	Initial Values
0000	1110	0011	Shift

Step for Step: 7/3

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0001	1100	0011	Restore, set Q0 = 0
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<u>+1101</u>			Subtract, result positive
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1110			
0001	0010	0011	Remainder, Result

Negative Numbers

- This approach could be extended to work with negative numbers
- In practice, it is calculated only with positive numbers
- At the end, the signs of the result and the remainder are assigned



Computer Arithmetic

- Number systems
- Integers
- **Floats**

Fixed Point Representation

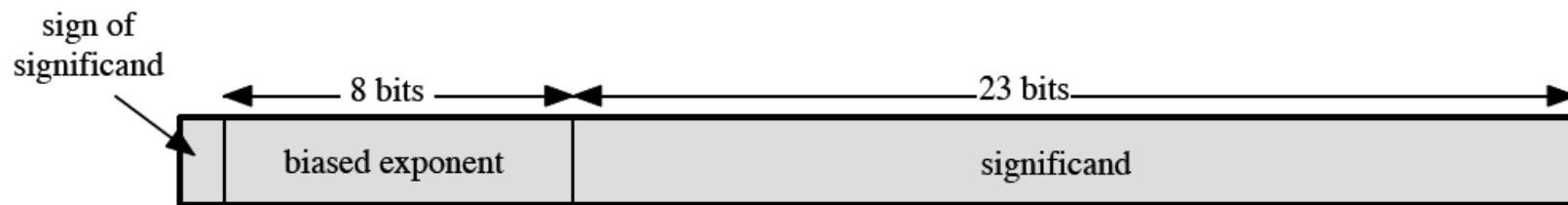
- With a fixed-point notation it is possible to represent a range of positive and negative integers centered on or near 0
- By assuming a fixed binary or radix point, this format allows the representation of numbers with a fractional component as well
- Limitations:
 - Very large numbers cannot be represented nor can very small fractions
 - The fractional part of the quotient in a division of two large numbers could be lost

Floating Point Numbers

- Aim: We want to store extremely large and small numbers with as little overhead as possible
- Questions:
 - Do we really care about all digits in a number?
- Answer:
 - Most of the time, we don't.
- Idea:
 - Store as number of fixed length (Significand S) with an exponent E :

$$\pm S \cdot B^{\pm E}$$

Typical 32-Bit Representation



(a) Format

$$\begin{aligned}
 1.1010001 \times 2^{10100} &= 0 \ 10010011 \ 101000100000000000000000 = 1.6328125 \times 2^{20} \\
 -1.1010001 \times 2^{10100} &= 1 \ 10010011 \ 101000100000000000000000 = -1.6328125 \times 2^{20} \\
 1.1010001 \times 2^{-10100} &= 0 \ 01101011 \ 101000100000000000000000 = 1.6328125 \times 2^{-20} \\
 -1.1010001 \times 2^{-10100} &= 1 \ 01101011 \ 101000100000000000000000 = -1.6328125 \times 2^{-20}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Examples

Biased Exponent

- The exponent value is stored in k bits.
- The representation used is known as a biased representation:
 - A fixed value, called the bias, is subtracted from the field to get the true exponent value.
 - Typically, the bias equals $2^{k-1} - 1$
- Example for 8 Bit Exponent:
 - A bit can represent numbers from 0 through 255.
 - The Bias is $2^7 - 1 = 127$
 - The true exponent values are in the range -127 to +128
- Why aren't we using the twos complement for E ?

The Significand

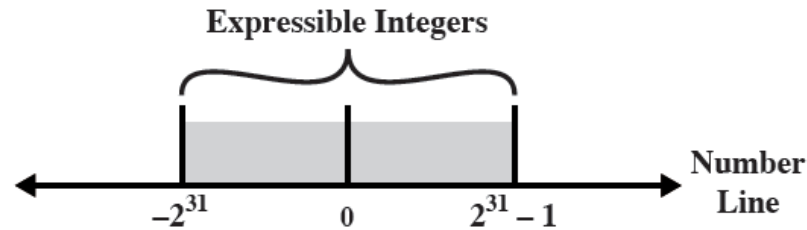
- The final portion of the word
- Any floating-point number can be expressed in many ways:
 - All these numbers are equivalent:

$$\begin{aligned}0.110 \cdot 2^5 \\ 110 \cdot 2^2 \\ 0.0110 \cdot 2^6\end{aligned}$$

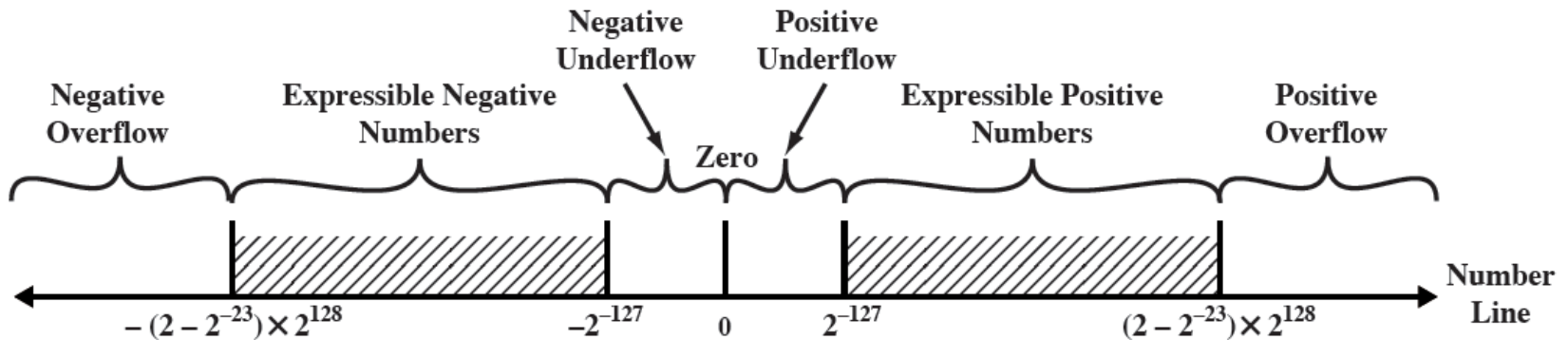
- *Normal number*
 - The most significant digit of the significand is nonzero

$$\pm 1. bbb \dots b \cdot 2^{\pm E}$$

Expressible Numbers



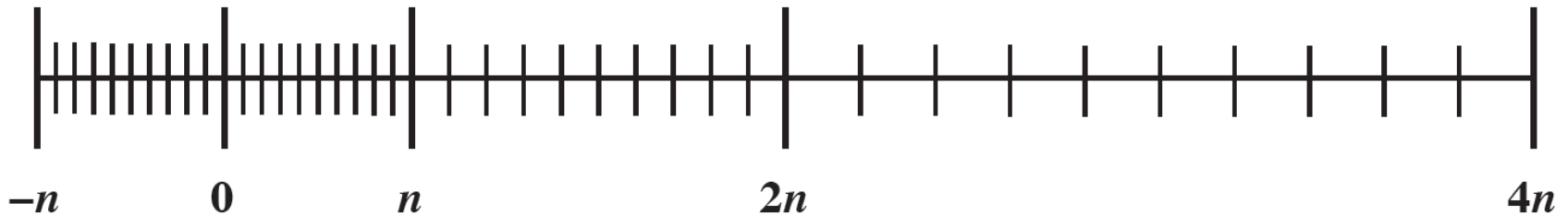
(a) Two's Complement Integers



(b) Floating-Point Numbers

- Floats cover an enormous range of numbers
- But not with the same density

Density of Floating-Point Numbers



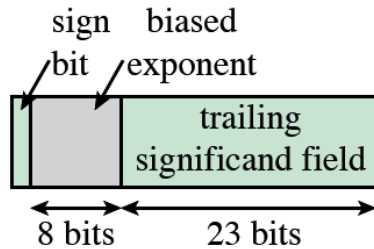
- The closer to zero, the finer the coverage, the further away, the sparser
- Float often don't produce exact numbers
- But this is okay:
 - If you look at your bank account, you are interested in all numbers
 - If you look at the US national debt, you don't care about the single dollar anymore

IEEE Standard 754

- Adopted in 1985 and revised in 2008
- Most important floating-point representation is defined
- Ensures the portability of programs from one processor to another
- Standard has been widely adopted and is used on virtually all contemporary processors and arithmetic coprocessors
- IEEE 754-2008 covers both **binary** and decimal floating-point representations

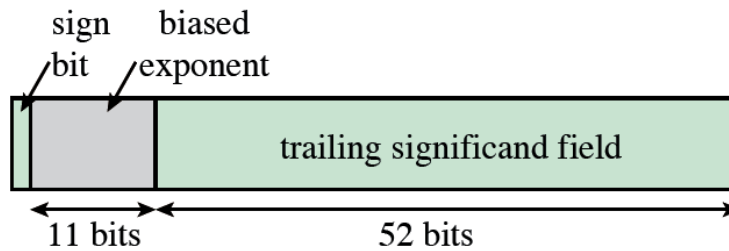
The Binary Basic Formats

Single



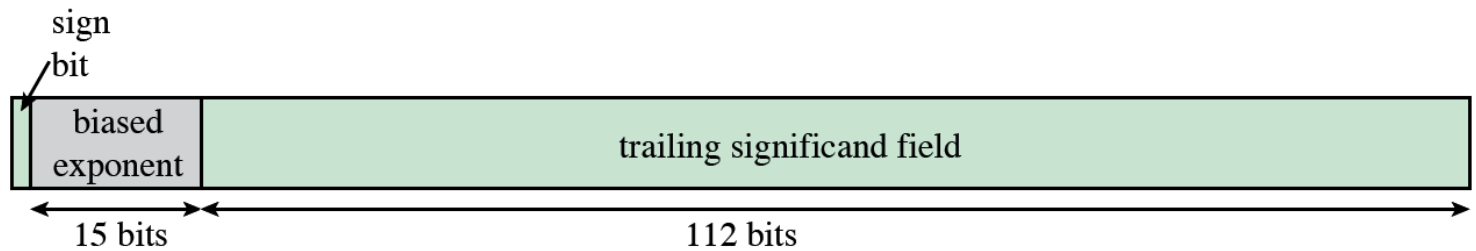
(a) **binary32 format**

Double



(b) **binary64 format**

Quadruple



(c) **binary128 format**

Binary Format Parameters

Parameter	Format		
	binary32	binary64	binary128
Storage width (bits)	32	64	128
Exponent width (bits)	8	11	15
Exponent bias	127	1023	16383
Maximum exponent	127	1023	16383
Minimum exponent	-126	-1022	-16382
~ normal number range (base 10)	$10^{-38}, 10^{+38}$	$10^{-308}, 10^{+308}$	$10^{-4932}, 10^{+4932}$
Trailing significand width (bits)*	23	52	112
Number of exponents	254	2046	32766
Number of fractions	2^{23}	2^{52}	2^{112}
Number of values	$1.98 \cdot 2^{31}$	$1.99 \cdot 2^{63}$	$1.99 \cdot 2^{128}$
Smallest positive normal number	2^{-126}	2^{-1022}	2^{-16362}
Largest positive normal number	$2^{128} - 2^{104}$	$2^{1024} - 2^{971}$	$2^{16384} - 2^{16271}$
Smallest subnormal magnitude	2^{-149}	2^{-1074}	2^{-16494}

Special Values for 32Bit float

	Sign	Biased exponent	Fraction	Value
positive zero	0	0	0	0
negative zero	1	0	0	- 0
plus infinity	0	all 1s	0	∞
minus infinity	1	all 1s	0	$-\infty$
quiet NaN	0 or 1	all 1s	$\neq 0$; first bit = 1	qNaN
signaling NaN	0 or 1	all 1s	$\neq 0$; first bit = 0	sNaN
positive normal nonzero	0	$0 < e < 255$	f	$2^{e-127}(1.f)$
negative normal nonzero	1	$0 < e < 255$	f	$-2^{e-127}(1.f)$
positive subnormal	0	0	$f \neq 0$	$2^{e-126}(0.f)$
negative subnormal	1	0	$f \neq 0$	$-2^{e-126}(0.f)$

- For other binary floats, only the numbers for the exponent changes accordingly
- The different exceptions are explained later

Additional Formats of IEEE 754

- Extended precision formats
 - Provide additional bits in the exponent (extended range) and in the significand (extended precision)
 - Lessens the chance of a final result that has been contaminated by excessive roundoff error
 - Lessens the chance of an intermediate overflow aborting a computation whose final result would have been representable in a basic format
 - Intel FPUs use internally 80-Bit representations
- Extendable Precision Format
 - Precision and range are defined under user control
 - May be used for intermediate calculations but the standard places no constraint on format or length

Floating Point Arithmetic

Floating Point Numbers	Arithmetic Operations
$X = X_S \cdot B^{X_E}$ $Y = Y_S \cdot B^{Y_E}$	$\left. \begin{aligned} X + Y &= (X_S \cdot B^{X_E - Y_E} + Y_S) \cdot B^{Y_E} \\ X - Y &= (X_S \cdot B^{X_E - Y_E} - Y_S) \cdot B^{Y_E} \end{aligned} \right\} X_E \leq Y_E$
	$X \cdot Y = (X_S \cdot Y_S) \cdot B^{X_E + Y_E}$ $\frac{X}{Y} = \left(\frac{X_S}{Y_S} \right) \cdot B^{X_E - Y_E}$

- **Exponent overflow:** A positive exponent exceeds the maximum possible exponent value.
- **Exponent underflow:** A negative exponent is less than the minimum possible exponent value.
- **Significand underflow:** In the process of aligning significands, digits may flow off the right end of the significand.
- **Significand overflow:** The addition of two significands of the same sign may result in a carry out of the most significant bit.

Examples

$$X = 0.3 \cdot 10^2 = 30$$
$$Y = 0.2 \cdot 10^3 = 200$$

$$X + Y = (0.3 \cdot 10^{2-3} + 0.2) \cdot 10^3 = 0.23 \cdot 10^3 = 230$$

$$X - Y = (0.3 \cdot 10^{2-3} - 0.2) \cdot 10^3 = (-0.17) \cdot 10^3 = -170$$

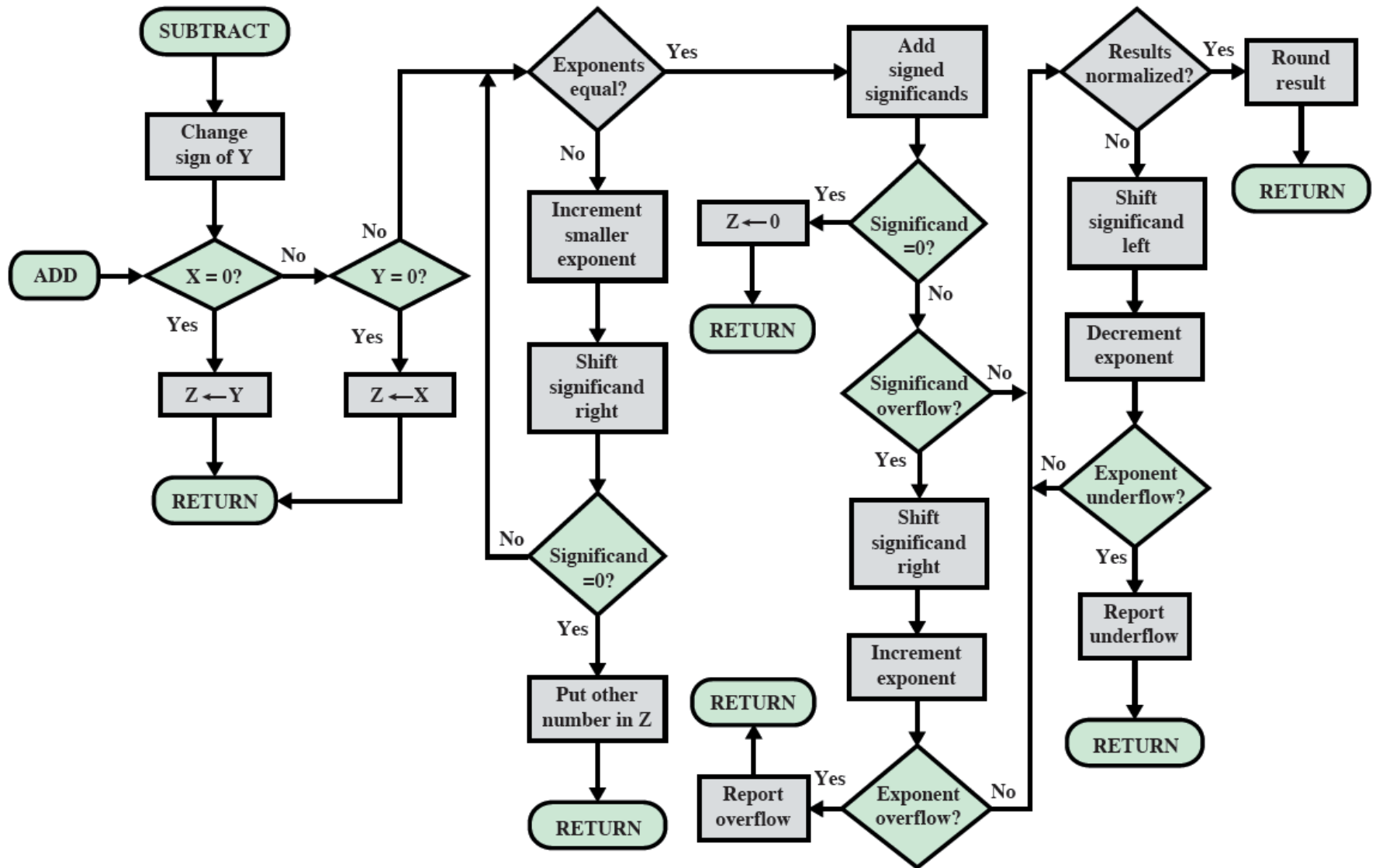
$$X \cdot Y = (0.3 \cdot 0.2) \cdot 10^{2+3} = 0.06 \cdot 10^5 = 6000$$

$$\frac{X}{Y} = \left(\frac{0.3}{0.2} \right) \cdot 10^{2-3} = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-1} = 0.15$$

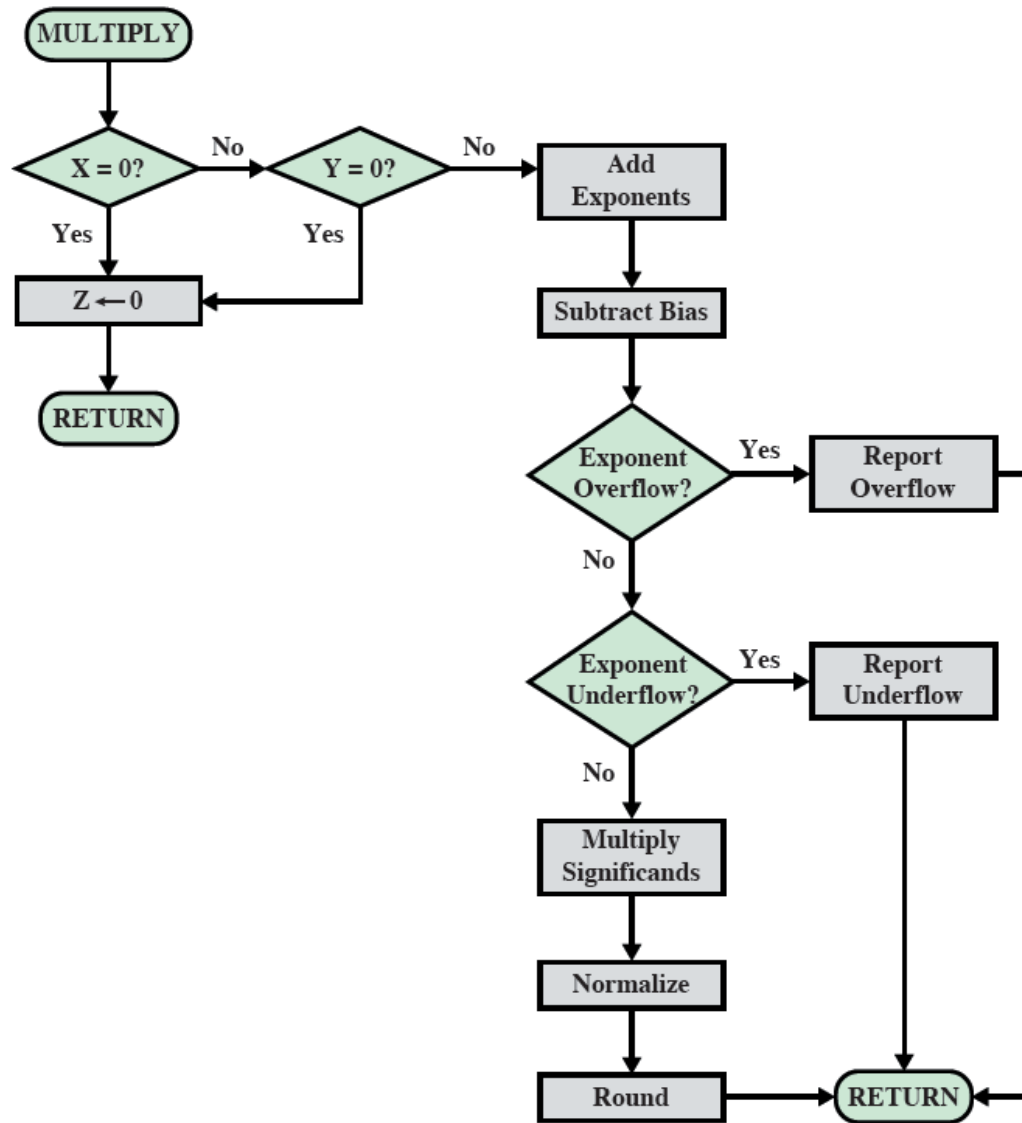
Floating Point Arithmetic

- In floating-point arithmetic, addition and subtraction are more complex than multiplication and division. This is because of the need for alignment.
- The four basic steps are:
 - 1. Check for zeros.
 - 2. Align the significands.
 - 3. Add or subtract the significands.
 - 4. Normalize the result.

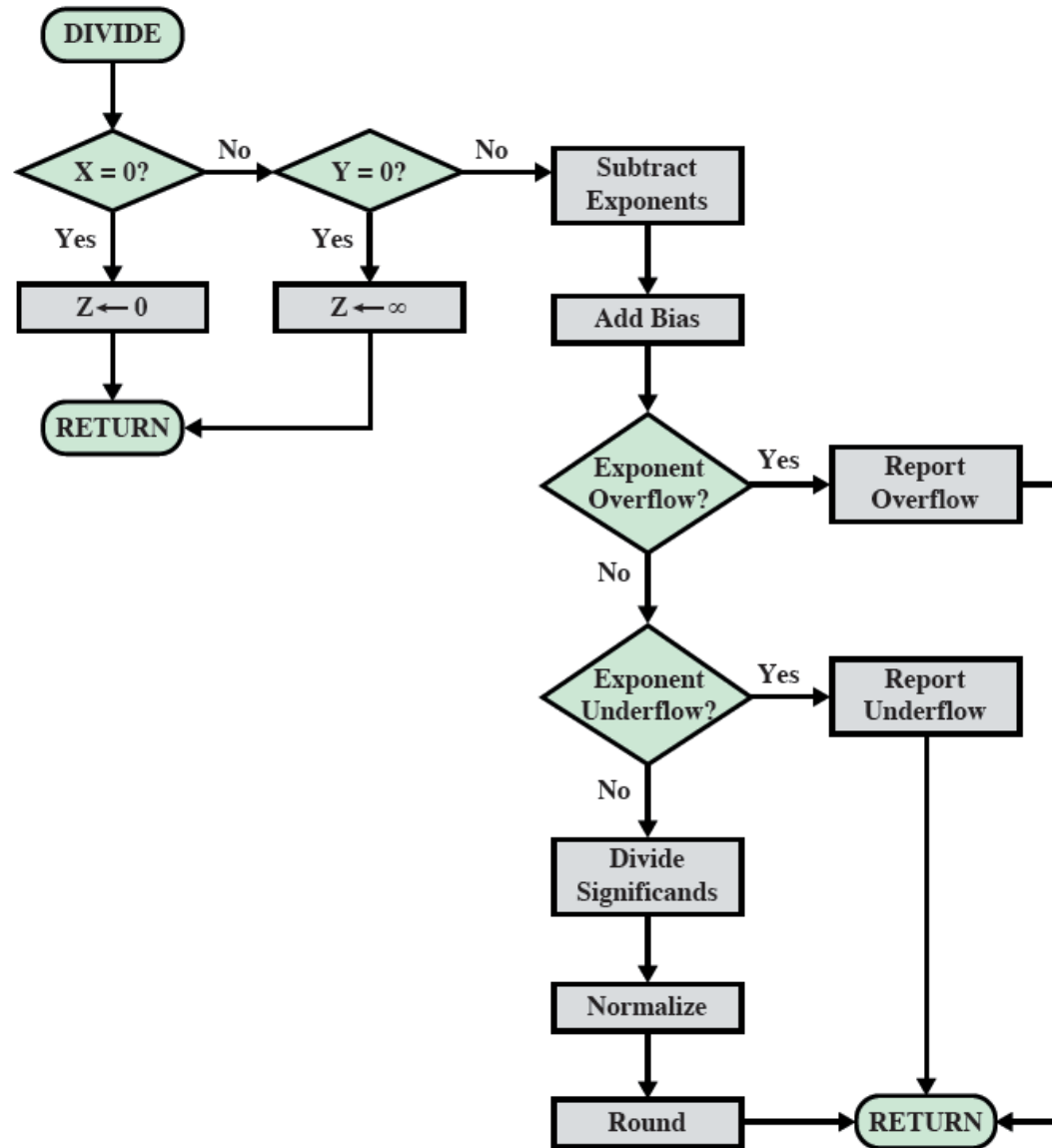
Flowchart Addition



Flowchart Multiplication



Flowchart Division



Precision: Guard Bits

- Consider the subtraction of very close numbers:

$$\begin{array}{r} x = 1.000\dots00 \times 2^1 \\ -y = 1.111\dots11 \times 2^0 \\ \hline x = 1.000\dots00 \times 2^1 \\ -y = 0.111\dots11 \times 2^1 \text{ Align Significand} \\ \hline z = 0.000\dots01 \times 2^1 \\ = 1.000\dots00 \times 2^{-22} \text{ Normalize} \end{array}$$

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 \hline
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 = 1.000\dots00 \times 2^{-22} \text{ Normalize}
 \end{array}$$

- Guard Bits are used to pad out the right side of the Significand

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x = 1.000\dots00 \text{ } 0000 \times 2^1 \\
 -y = 1.111\dots11 \text{ } 0000 \times 2^0 \\
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 \end{array}$$

- The same calculation leads to different results by factor 2!

Round to Nearest

- The extra bits are used to decide (assume we have 5):
 - Extra bits > 10000 : Round up (add one to the significand)
 - Extra bits < 10000 : Round down (truncate the extra bits)
- What is with the special case 10000?
 - Always round up/down?
 - This introduces a small but cumulative bias over time
 - Randomly decide?
 - This would prevent the bias, but does not produce predictable, reproduceable results
 - Round to even numbers (IEEE):
 - Rounded up if LSB is 1
 - Rounded down (truncate) if LSB is 0

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Infinity

- Is treated as the limiting case of real arithmetic, with the infinity values given the following interpretation:

$$-\infty < (\text{every finite number}) < +\infty$$

- Any operation involving infinity yields the expected results

$$5 + (+\infty) = +\infty$$

$$5 - (+\infty) = -\infty$$

$$5 + (-\infty) = -\infty$$

$$5 - (-\infty) = +\infty$$

$$5 \cdot (+\infty) = +\infty$$

$$5 \div (+\infty) = +0$$

$$(+\infty) + (+\infty) = +\infty$$

$$(-\infty) + (-\infty) = -\infty$$

$$(-\infty) - (+\infty) = -\infty$$

$$(+\infty) - (-\infty) = +\infty$$

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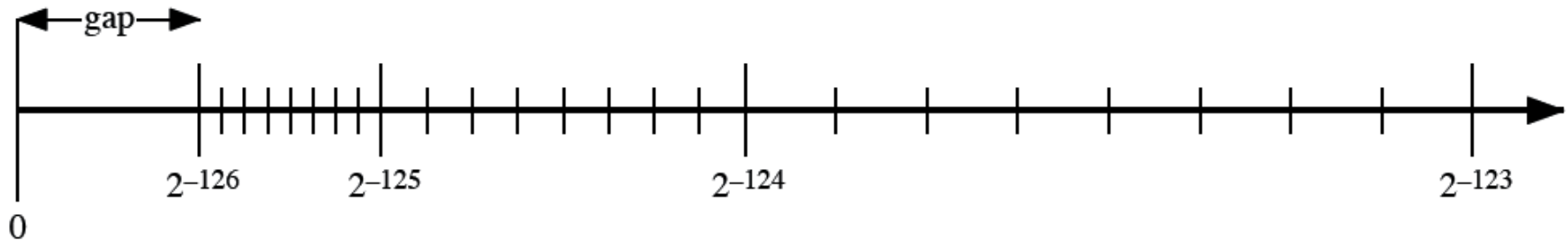
Quiet and Signaling NaNs

- Signaling NaN signals an invalid operation exception whenever it appears as an operand
- Quiet NaN propagates through almost every arithmetic operation without signaling an exception
- Division by zero (± 0) produces infinity ($\pm\infty$)

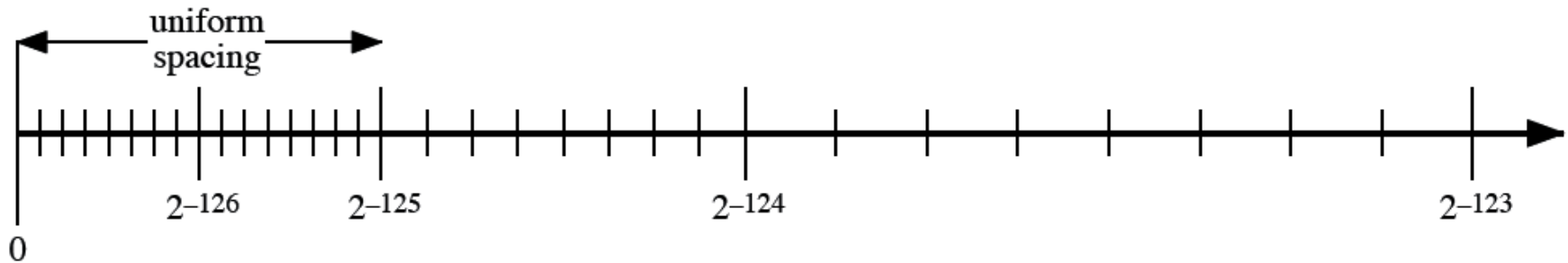
Operation	Quiet NaN Produced by
Any	Any operation on a signaling NaN
	Magnitude subtraction of infinities:
	$(+\infty) + (-\infty)$
Add or subtract	$(-\infty) + (+\infty)$
	$(+\infty) - (+\infty)$
	$(-\infty) - (-\infty)$
Multiply	$0 \cdot \infty$
Division	$0/0$ or ∞/∞
Remainder	$x \text{ REM } 0$ or $\infty \text{ REM } y$
Square root	\sqrt{x} with $x < 0$

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Subnormal Numbers



(a) 32-bit format without subnormal numbers



(b) 32-bit format with subnormal numbers