

Bit Manipulation

🔥 ठीक है bhai, ab full Google-level BIT BASICS padhate hain — ek-ek cheez tod ke, logic + use + code (Java) + comments ke saath.

Ye foundation hai, agar ye clear ho gaya to XOR, Bitmasking, Trie, DP sab aasan lagega.

🧠 PART 1: Binary Representation

◆ Binary kya hota hai?

Computer **sirf 0 aur 1** samajhta hai.

Decimal	Binary
5	0101
7	0111
10	1010

👉 Har position ka weight hota hai:

```
Binary: 1 0 1 0
Index:  3 2 1 0
Value:  8 4 2 1
```

◆ Unsigned Binary

- Sirf **positive numbers**
- Example: 8-bit

```
11111111 = 255
```

◆ Signed Binary (IMPORTANT)

Java me `int` **32-bit signed** hota hai.

[sign bit][rest bits]

- **MSB (Most Significant Bit)** = sign
- 0 → positive
- 1 → negative

PART 2: 2's Complement (NEGATIVE NUMBERS)

👉 Negative number ka binary = 2's Complement

Steps:

- 1 Positive number ka binary lo
- 2 Sab bits invert karo (1 → 0, 0 → 1)
- 3 +1 add karo

Example: 5

+5 = 00000101
Invert → 11111010
+1 → 11111011 ✓ (-5)

👉 Isi wajah se:

$$\sim x + 1 == -x$$

⚠ **Google favorite question:** why `Integer.MIN_VALUE` ka positive nahi hota?
(kyunki range asymmetric hoti hai)

PART 3: Left Shift <<

Meaning:

$$x \ll n == x * (2^n)$$

Example:

5 << 1 = 10
Binary:
0101 → 1010

👉 Use cases:

- Fast multiply
- Bit masking
- Power of two generation

PART 4: Right Shift >> & >>>

>> (Arithmetic Right Shift)

- Sign bit copy hota hai

-8 >> 1 = -4

>>> (Logical Right Shift)

- Zero fill hota hai (even for negative)

-8 >>> 1 = big positive number

👉 Google asks difference 🤖

PART 5: MSB & LSB

◆ LSB (Least Significant Bit)

- Rightmost bit
- Even / Odd check

$x \& 1$

◆ MSB (Most Significant Bit)

- Leftmost bit
- Sign decide karta hai

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLES (Java + Line by Line)

🟢 EASY — Check Even / Odd

Logic:

- $LSB = 0 \rightarrow \text{Even}$
- $LSB = 1 \rightarrow \text{Odd}$

```
class Solution {
    public static boolean isEven(int n) {

        // n & 1 checks last bit
        // If last bit is 0 → even
        return (n & 1) == 0;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(isEven(10)); // true
        System.out.println(isEven(7)); // false
    }
}
```

🟡 MEDIUM — Find MSB position of a number

Example:

n = 18 → 10010
MSB index = 4

```
class Solution {  
    public static int findMSB(int n) {  
  
        int pos = -1;  
  
        // Jab tak number 0 nahi ho jata  
        while (n > 0) {  
  
            // Right shift number  
            n = n >> 1;  
  
            // Position increase  
            pos++;  
        }  
  
        return pos;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(findMSB(18)); // 4  
    }  
}
```

Why works?

Right shift se number chhota hota jata hai → jitni baar shift hua wahi MSB index.

HARD — Check if number is power of 2 (WITHOUT loop)

Property:

Power of 2 → only ONE bit set

$n \& (n-1) == 0$

Example:

8 = 1000
7 = 0111
& = 0000

```
class Solution {  
    public static boolean isPowerOfTwo(int n) {  
  
        // Negative & zero case  
        if (n <= 0) return false;  
  
        // Single set bit check  
        return (n & (n - 1)) == 0;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(isPowerOfTwo(16)); // true  
        System.out.println(isPowerOfTwo(18)); // false  
    }  
}
```

🔥 Google + LeetCode #231

UNSOLVED PRACTICE (Try yourself 😈)

Practice 1 (Easy)

👉 Find **LSB position** of a number

Input: 10 (1010)

Output: 1

Practice 2 (Medium)

👉 Without using `+ - * /`, add two integers



Practice 3 (Hard)

👉 Given an integer, **toggle its MSB**

Example:

10 → 1010

Toggle MSB → 0010 → 2



Next Step

Bhai ye clear ho gaya to next level unlock:

➡ **XOR PATTERNS (Google ka favourite weapon)**

➡ **Bit Masking (subset / permissions)**

Bas bol:

| "XOR patterns padha de Google level"

Aur fir dekh magic 🤖🔥

😓👉 **sahi pakda bhai** — jab tak `>>` aur `>>>` **dimaag ke andar picture ban ke clear** nahi hote, tab tak bit manipulation half-cooked hi rehta hai.

Ab main **slow + visual + dry run + real use** ke saath samjha raha hoon. Ye wahi level hai jo **Google interview me bol ke explain** kar sakta hai.



STEP 0: 32-bit INT ka REAL STRUCTURE (Java)

Java ka `int` = 32 bits

[b31][b30][b29] ... [b1][b0]



- **b31 = MSB (sign bit)**
- `0` → positive
- `1` → negative

STEP 1: RIGHT SHIFT (Arithmetic Right Shift)

Kya karta hai?

- Bits ko **right side shift**
- **Left side me sign bit copy** karta hai

Isliye:

- Positive → left me  bhar deta hai
- Negative → left me  bhar deta hai

Example 1: Positive Number

10 >> 1

Decimal: 10

Binary : 00000000 00000000 00000000 00001010

>> 1

00000000 00000000 00000000 00000101

 Result = 5

 **Formula:**

$$x \gg n \approx x / (2^n)$$

Example 2: Negative Number (IMPORTANT)

10 >> 1

Step 1: +10 ka binary

10 = 00000000 00000000 00000000 00001010

Step 2: 2's complement (for -10)

```
Invert → 11111111 11111111 11111111 11110101  
+1   → 11111111 11111111 11111111 11110110 (-10)
```

Step 3: Right shift >> 1

```
11111111 11111111 11111111 11110110  
>>  
11111111 11111111 11111111 11111011
```

👉 Result = -5

🔥 **Notice:** left me 1 fill hua (sign preserved)

🧠 USE CASE of >>

- ✓ Fast divide
- ✓ Math operations
- ✓ MSB nikalna
- ✓ Sign-preserving operations

🧠 STEP 2: LOGICAL RIGHT SHIFT >>>

👉 Kya karta hai?

- Bits right shift
- Left me hamesha 0 bharta hai
- Sign ignore karta hai

⚠️ Java me sirf >>> hota hai (C++ me nahi)

💎 Example 3: Same number, different result

```
10 >>> 1
```

Original -10:

```
11111111 11111111 11111111 11110110
```

```
>>> 1
```

```
01111111 11111111 11111111 1111011
```

👉 Result = **2147483643** 🤖 (huge positive)

🧠 DIFFERENCE TABLE

Operator	Name	Sign Preserve?	Left Fill
>>	Arithmetic Right Shift	YES	MSB
>>>	Logical Right Shift	NO	0

🧠 STEP 3: REAL INTERVIEW USE CASES

🔥 Use Case 1: Check sign (positive / negative)

```
int sign = n >> 31;
```

Result	Meaning
0	Positive
-1	Negative

🔥 Use Case 2: Convert negative to positive bits

```
int unsigned = n >>> 0;
```

Used in:

- ✓ Hashing
- ✓ Bit masking
- ✓ Low-level operations

Use Case 3: MSB position using `>>>`

Example: `n = 18`

10010

Dry Run:

```
18 >>> 1 = 9
9 >>> 1 = 4
4 >>> 1 = 2
2 >>> 1 = 1
1 >>> 1 = 0
```

Count = **4** → MSB index

FULL CODE with DRY RUN COMMENTS

```
class Solution {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        int n = -10;

        // Arithmetic Right Shift
        int a = n >> 1;

        // Logical Right Shift
        int b = n >>> 1;

        System.out.println(a); // -5
        System.out.println(b); // 2147483643
    }
}
```



DRY RUN SUMMARY

$n = -10$

Binary = 11111111 11111111 11111111 11110110

$n \gg 1$

→ sign bit copied

→ stays negative

$n \ggg 1$

→ zero fill

→ becomes positive

PRACTICE (UNSOLVED – GOOGLE STYLE)

- 1 Without using if/else, find if number is negative
- 2 Find MSB position using only `>>>`
- 3 Implement divide by 2^k using bit operators (handle negative)




Next Level?

Ab tu bol:

| "XOR patterns + dry run padha de"

Fir asli Google wale sawal shuru honge  

 **arey bhai shaant, ab full package milega**

Starting se **binary** → **2's complement** → **>> >>>** → **MSB/LSB**

 **HAR solved example ke saath:**

- concept
- dry run (bit-by-bit)

- Java full code (line-by-line comments)
- **LeetCode / Codeforces reference**
- end me **unsolved practice**

Socha tha skip kar dunga, par ab **Google-ready bana ke chhodunga** 🤖🔥

PART 1: Binary Representation (SIGNED / UNSIGNED)

◆ Binary kya hota hai?

Computer base-2 me kaam karta hai.

Example:

Decimal: 13
Binary : 1101

👉 Position wise value:

Bit: 1 1 0 1
Index: 3 2 1 0
Value: 8 4 2 1
Sum = 8 + 4 + 1 = 13

◆ Signed vs Unsigned (Java POV)

Java me `int`:

- **32-bit**
- **signed**
- MSB = sign bit

0xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx → positive
1xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx → negative

PART 2: 2's Complement (NEGATIVE NUMBERS)

? Question: Computer **5** kaise store karta hai?

Step 1: +5 ka binary

```
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000101
```

Step 2: Invert bits

```
11111111 11111111 11111111 1111010
```

Step 3: +1

```
11111111 11111111 11111111 1111011 → -5
```

👉 Ye hi 2's complement hai

🔥 Property (INTERVIEW GOLD)

$$-X = \sim X + 1$$

PART 3: LSB & MSB (USE + DRY RUN)

◆ LSB (Least Significant Bit)

- Rightmost bit
- Even / Odd batata hai

```
n & 1
```

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE 1 (EASY)

◆ Check Even / Odd

📌 LeetCode 258 – Add Digits (LSB logic use hota hai)

📌 CF: 4A – Watermelon

Dry Run:

n = 6 → 110
LSB = 0 → even

n = 7 → 111
LSB = 1 → odd

Java Code (FULL COMMENTED)

```
class Solution {  
  
    // Function to check even or odd  
    static boolean isEven(int n) {  
  
        // n & 1 checks the last bit (LSB)  
        // If last bit is 0 → even  
        // If last bit is 1 → odd  
        return (n & 1) == 0;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(isEven(6)); // true  
        System.out.println(isEven(7)); // false  
    }  
}
```

◆ MSB (Most Significant Bit)

- Leftmost 1
- Power, range, sign sab batata hai

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE 2 (MEDIUM)

◆ Find MSB position

📌 LeetCode 231 – Power of Two

📌 CF: 1368A – C+=

Example:

```
n = 18
Binary = 10010
MSB index = 4
```

Dry Run:

```
18 >> 1 = 9  (1001)
9  >> 1 = 4  (100)
4  >> 1 = 2  (10)
2  >> 1 = 1  (1)
1  >> 1 = 0  stop
count = 4
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    static int findMSB(int n) {

        int pos = -1;

        // Keep shifting right until number becomes 0
        while (n > 0) {
            n = n >> 1; // divide by 2
            pos++;      // count shifts
        }

        return pos;
    }
}
```



```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    System.out.println(findMSB(18)); // 4  
}  
}
```

PART 4: RIGHT SHIFT `>>` vs `>>>`

`>>` (Arithmetic Right Shift)

- Sign bit copy hota hai
- Negative negative hi rehta hai

`>>>` (Logical Right Shift)

- Left me **0 fill**
- Sign ignore karta hai

SOLVED EXAMPLE 3 (HARD / CONFUSING)

Compare `>>` and `>>>`

 LeetCode 190 – Reverse Bits

Example:

n = -8
Binary = 11111111 11111111 11111111 11110000

`n >> 1`

11111111 11111111 11111111 11111100 → -4

`n >>> 1`

01111111 11111111 11111111 11111100 → 2147483644

Java Code (Clear Difference)

```
class Solution {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        int n = -8;  
  
        // Arithmetic shift (sign preserved)  
        int a = n >> 1;  
  
        // Logical shift (zero fill)  
        int b = n >>> 1;  
  
        System.out.println(a); // -4  
        System.out.println(b); // 2147483644  
    }  
}
```



GOOGLE FAVORITE SOLVED EXAMPLE



Power of Two

 LeetCode 231

 CF: 702A

Logic:

```
n = 8 → 1000  
n-1 = 7 → 0111  
AND = 0
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    public boolean isPowerOfTwo(int n) {  
  
        // Power of two must be positive  
        if (n <= 0) return false;  
  
        // Only one bit should be set  
        return (n & (n - 1)) == 0;  
    }  
}
```



UNSOLVED PRACTICE (TRY YOURSELF



Practice 1 (Easy)



LC 191 – Number of 1 Bits



Count set bits using right shift



Practice 2 (Medium)



LC 476 – Number Complement



Flip all bits of a number



Practice 3 (Hard)



LC 201 – Bitwise AND of Numbers Range



MSB concept use hota hai



NEXT STEP

Agar ye clear ho gaya na bhai,
to next bolega:

| "XOR patterns full detail + dry run + LC questions"

Fir tu boleaga:

"abe bit manipulation to easy nikla" 🤖🔥

🤖🔥 ab asli BIT MANIPULATION ka engine start hota hai

Ye **CORE OPERATORS** samajh aa gaye na bhai, to **Google / LeetCode / Codeforces** ke 70% bit questions yahin se ho jaate hain.

Main **starting se, truth table, real-life analogy, dry run, SOLVED examples (Easy-Medium-Hard) + Java full code with comments + LC / CF numbers + unsolved practice** sab dunga.

📖 CORE BIT OPERATORS (MUST-MASTER)

1 AND (&)

2 OR (|)

3 XOR (^)

4 NOT (~)

1 AND OPERATOR (&)

💠 Truth Table

A	B	A & B
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

👉 Rule:

Dono bits 1 honi chahiye

◆ Binary Example

```
a = 10 → 1010
b = 6 → 0110
-----
a&b = 0010 → 2
```

🔥 REAL USE CASES (IMPORTANT)

- ✅ Even / Odd check
- ✅ Check ith bit set or not
- ✅ Clear bits
- ✅ Power of two check

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE 1 (EASY)

◆ Check ith bit set or not

📌 LeetCode 231 – Power of Two (AND logic)

Problem:

👉 Check whether **3rd bit** of number `n` is set

Logic:

```
mask = 1 << i
if (n & mask) != 0 → bit set
```

Dry Run:

```
n = 10 → 1010
i = 1
mask = 0010

1010
0010
```

0010 != 0 → bit is set

Java Code (Fully Commented)

```
class Solution {  
  
    static boolean isBitSet(int n, int i) {  
  
        // Create mask by shifting 1 to ith position  
        int mask = 1 << i;  
  
        // AND operation checks if ith bit is 1  
        return (n & mask) != 0;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(isBitSet(10, 1)); // true  
        System.out.println(isBitSet(10, 2)); // false  
    }  
}
```

2 OR OPERATOR (|)

◆ Truth Table

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

👉 Rule:

Koi ek bhi bit 1 hui → result 1

◆ Binary Example

```
a = 10 → 1010
b = 6 → 0110
-----
a|b = 1110 → 14
```

🔥 REAL USE CASES

- ✅ Set ith bit
- ✅ Permissions / flags
- ✅ Feature enable logic

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE 2 (MEDIUM)

◆ Set ith bit of a number

📌 **Codeforces: 1760A – Medium style bit usage**

Problem:

👉 Set **2nd bit** of number `n`

Logic:

```
n | (1 << i)
```

Dry Run:

```
n = 8 → 1000
i = 2
mask = 0100

1000
0100
----
1100 → 12
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    static int setBit(int n, int i) {  
  
        // Shift 1 to ith position  
        int mask = 1 << i;  
  
        // OR operation sets the bit  
        return n | mask;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(setBit(8, 2)); // 12  
    }  
}
```

3 XOR OPERATOR (^) 🔥🔥🔥 (GOOGLE FAVORITE)

◆ Truth Table

A	B	A ^ B
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

👉 Rule:

Same bits → 0

Different bits → 1

🔥 GOLDEN PROPERTIES

$x \oplus x = 0$
 $x \oplus 0 = x$
 $x \oplus y \oplus x = y$

🔥 REAL USE CASES

- ✅ Find single number
- ✅ Toggle bits
- ✅ Swap numbers
- ✅ Missing number problems

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE 3 (MEDIUM – CLASSIC)

💠 Find single number

📌 LeetCode 136 – Single Number

📌 CF: 1915E

Problem:

👉 Array me har number **2 baar**, ek **1 baar**

Logic:

$ans = a \oplus a \oplus b \oplus b \oplus c = c$

Dry Run:

nums = [4,1,2,1,2]

ans = 0

$0 \oplus 4 = 4$

$4 \oplus 1 = 5$

$5 \oplus 2 = 7$

$7 \oplus 1 = 6$

$6 \oplus 2 = 4$

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    public int singleNumber(int[] nums) {  
  
        int ans = 0;  
  
        // XOR all numbers  
        for (int num : nums) {  
            ans = ans ^ num;  
        }  
  
        // Remaining number is unique  
        return ans;  
    }  
}
```

4 NOT OPERATOR (~)

◆ Truth Table

A	~A
0	1
1	0

👉 All bits flip ho jaati hain

◆ Example

```
n = 5 → 00000101  
~n   → 11111010 → -6
```

👉 Why -6?

$$\sim n = -(n + 1)$$

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE 4 (HARD-ish)

◆ Number Complement

📌 LeetCode 476

Problem:

👉 Flip only **significant bits**

Example:

$n = 5 \rightarrow 101$
Complement $\rightarrow 010 \rightarrow 2$

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    public int findComplement(int num) {  
  
        int mask = 0;  
        int temp = num;  
  
        // Create mask with all bits set till MSB  
        while (temp > 0) {  
            mask = (mask << 1) | 1;  
            temp = temp >> 1;  
        }  
  
        // XOR with mask flips only required bits  
        return num ^ mask;  
    }  
}
```



UNSOLVED PRACTICE (MUST TRY)



Easy

📌 LC 191 – Number of 1 Bits



Medium

📌 LC 268 – Missing Number



Hard

📌 LC 201 – Bitwise AND of Numbers Range



NEXT STEP (VERY IMPORTANT)

Ab bol bhai:

| “XOR patterns full deep dive + 10 Google questions”

Fir bit manipulation tera **weapon** ban jaayega 🐱🔥

😎🔥 bhai ab Google ka favourite zone aa gaya

Ye **Power & Bit Checks** aise topics hain jinke bina **FAANG interviews** incomplete hote hain.

Main **starting se, formula + dry run + fully commented Java code, LC + CF references**, aur end me **unsolved practice** de raha hoon.



POWER & CHECKS (GOOGLE LOVES THESE)

Topics Covered

- 1 Check even / odd using bit
- 2 Check power of 2
- 3 Check power of 4
- 4 Check ith bit set or not
- 5 Set ith bit

6 Unset (clear) ith bit

7 Toggle ith bit

1 Check EVEN / ODD using BIT

◆ Logic

👉 **LSB (last bit)** decide karta hai

- 0 → even
- 1 → odd

$n \& 1$

✓ SOLVED (EASY)

📌 **Codeforces: 4A – Watermelon**

📌 **LC usage: everywhere (fundamental)**

Dry Run

$n = 10 \rightarrow 1010$
LSB = 0 → even

$n = 7 \rightarrow 111$
LSB = 1 → odd

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    static boolean isEven(int n) {  
  
        // AND with 1 checks last bit  
        return (n & 1) == 0;  
    }  
}
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    System.out.println(isEven(10)); // true  
    System.out.println(isEven(7)); // false  
}  
}
```

2 Check POWER OF 2 🔥🔥

◆ Concept (VERY IMPORTANT)

Power of 2 → only ONE bit set

```
n & (n - 1) == 0
```

Dry Run

```
n = 8 → 1000  
n-1=7 → 0111  
AND → 0000 ✓
```

✓ SOLVED (MEDIUM)

📌 LeetCode 231 – Power of Two

📌 CF: 702A – Maximum Increase (logic use hota hai)

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    public boolean isPowerOfTwo(int n) {  
  
        // Power of 2 must be positive  
        if (n <= 0) return false;
```

```
// Only one bit set
return (n & (n - 1)) == 0;
}
}
```

3 Check POWER OF 4 (Google Twist 😈)

◆ Concept

- Power of 2 ✓
- AND **odd position bit** (0,2,4...)

```
n & (n - 1) == 0
AND
(n & 0x55555555) != 0
```

Dry Run

```
n = 16 → 10000
Mask → 10101
AND → non-zero ✓
```

✓ SOLVED (MEDIUM)

📌 LeetCode 342 – Power of Four

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    public boolean isPowerOfFour(int n) {

        if (n <= 0) return false;

        // Check power of 2 AND odd position bit
```

```
        return (n & (n - 1)) == 0 && (n & 0x55555555) != 0;
    }
}
```

4 Check ITH BIT SET OR NOT

◆ Logic

```
mask = 1 << i
n & mask
```

Dry Run

```
n = 10 → 1010
i = 1
mask = 0010

AND → 0010 ✓ (set)
```

✓ SOLVED (EASY)

📌 CF: 1742E – Scuza (bit checking idea)

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    static boolean isIthBitSet(int n, int i) {

        int mask = 1 << i;

        return (n & mask) != 0;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
```



```
        System.out.println(islthBitSet(10, 1)); // true
        System.out.println(islthBitSet(10, 2)); // false
    }
}
```

5 SET ITH BIT

◆ Logic

$$n \mid (1 \ll i)$$

✓ SOLVED (EASY)

📌 CF: 1760A – Medium Number

Dry Run

$n = 8 \rightarrow 1000$
 $i = 2$
mask = 0100

OR $\rightarrow 1100 \rightarrow 12$

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    static int setBit(int n, int i) {

        return n | (1 << i);
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(setBit(8, 2)); // 12
    }
}
```

```
}  
}
```

6 UNSET (CLEAR) ITH BIT

◆ Logic

```
n & ~(1 << i)
```

✓ SOLVED (MEDIUM)

📌 LC 190 – Reverse Bits (clearing bits idea)

Dry Run

```
n = 10 → 1010  
i = 1  
mask = ~(0010) → 1101  
  
AND → 1000 → 8
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    static int clearBit(int n, int i) {  
  
        return n & ~(1 << i);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(clearBit(10, 1)); // 8  
    }  
}
```

7 TOGGLE ITH BIT 🔥

◆ Logic

```
n ^ (1 << i)
```

✓ SOLVED (MEDIUM)

📌 CF: 1805A – We Need the Zero

Dry Run

```
n = 10 → 1010  
i = 1  
mask = 0010  
  
XOR → 1000 → 8
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    static int toggleBit(int n, int i) {  
  
        return n ^ (1 << i);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(toggleBit(10, 1)); // 8  
        System.out.println(toggleBit(8, 3)); // 0  
    }  
}
```

UNSOLVED PRACTICE (GOOGLE LEVEL)

 Easy

 LC 191 – Number of 1 Bits

 Medium

 LC 268 – Missing Number


 Hard

 LC 201 – Bitwise AND of Numbers Range

NEXT LEVEL

Ab bhai bolega to next unlock hoga:


| “XOR PATTERNS (single, missing, two unique, range xor)”

Uske baad bit manipulation **game** ban jaayega  

  **BHAI AB ASLI SONA**

Agar **XOR patterns** solid ho gaye na, to **Google / Amazon / Microsoft** ke aadhe bit questions *automatic* ho jaate hain.

Main bilkul **zero se, properties → pattern → dry run → solved examples (LC + CF) → full Java code with line-by-line comments → unsolved practice** sab de raha hoon.

 Ye section dhyaan se padhna, yahin se bit manipulation click karta hai.

XOR PATTERNS (SUPER IMPORTANT)

Topics:

- 1 XOR properties
- 2 Find single number
- 3 Find missing number

4 Two non-repeating numbers

5 XOR from 1 to N trick

1 XOR PROPERTIES (FOUNDATION)

◆ Truth Table

A	B	A ^ B
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

👉 Same → 0, Different → 1

◆ GOLDEN PROPERTIES (YAAD KAR LE 🔥)

$$x \wedge x = 0$$

$$x \wedge 0 = x$$

$$x \wedge y \wedge x = y$$

XOR is commutative & associative

👉 Order matter nahi karta

🧠 Real-life analogy

👉 XOR = pair cancel karne ki machine

2 FIND SINGLE NUMBER (CLASSIC)

◆ Problem


Array me:


- Har number **2 baar**
- Ek number **1 baar**

Idea

```
a ^ a = 0  
0 ^ b = b
```

SOLVED EXAMPLE (EASY)

 **LeetCode 136 – Single Number**

 **CF: 1915E – XOR and Array**

Example

```
nums = [4,1,2,1,2]
```

Dry Run

```
ans = 0  
0 ^ 4 = 4  
4 ^ 1 = 5  
5 ^ 2 = 7  
7 ^ 1 = 6  
6 ^ 2 = 4
```

 **Answer = 4**

Java Code (FULL COMMENTED)

```
class Solution {  
  
    public int singleNumber(int[] nums) {  
  
        int ans = 0; // start with 0  
  
        // XOR all numbers  
        for (int num : nums) {  
            ans = ans ^ num; // duplicate numbers cancel out  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```

    }

    // remaining number is unique
    return ans;
}
}

```

3 FIND MISSING NUMBER (0 to N)

◆ Problem

Array size = `n`

Numbers = `0 to n`

Ek number missing

🧠 Idea

$$(0 \wedge 1 \wedge 2 \wedge \dots \wedge n) \wedge (\text{array XOR})$$

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE (MEDIUM)

📌 LeetCode 268 – Missing Number

📌 CF: 1552A – Subsequence Permutation (idea)

Example

```

nums = [3,0,1]
n = 3

```

Dry Run

```

xorAll = 0^1^2^3 = 0
xorArr = 3^0^1 = 2
missing = 0 ^ 2 = 2

```

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    public int missingNumber(int[] nums) {  
  
        int xor = 0;  
        int n = nums.length;  
  
        // XOR all indices and values  
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
            xor = xor ^ i ^ nums[i];  
        }  
  
        // finally XOR with n  
        xor = xor ^ n;  
  
        return xor;  
    }  
}
```

4 TWO NON-REPEATING NUMBERS 🔥🔥

◆ Problem

Array me:

- Sab numbers **2 baar**
- **2 numbers sirf 1 baar**

🧠 Idea (INTERVIEW FAVORITE)

- 1 XOR all → `xor = a ^ b`
- 2 Find rightmost set bit
- 3 Divide numbers into 2 groups

4 XOR separately

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE (HARD)

📌 LeetCode 260 – Single Number III

📌 CF: 1918C – XOR and Or

Example

```
nums = [1,2,1,3,2,5]
```

Dry Run

```
xor = 1^2^1^3^2^5 = 6 (110)
rightmost set bit = 2 (010)
```

Groups:

```
Group 1: [2,2,3]
Group 2: [1,1,5]
```

Results:

```
3 and 5
```

Java Code (FULL)

```
class Solution {

    public int[] singleNumber(int[] nums) {

        int xor = 0;

        // Step 1: XOR all numbers
        for (int num : nums) {
            xor ^= num;
        }
    }
}
```

```

// Step 2: rightmost set bit
int diffBit = xor & (-xor);

int a = 0, b = 0;

// Step 3: divide into two groups
for (int num : nums) {
    if ((num & diffBit) == 0)
        a ^= num;
    else
        b ^= num;
}

return new int[]{a, b};
}
}

```

5 XOR FROM 1 TO N TRICK ⚡

◆ Pattern (VERY IMPORTANT)

N % 4	XOR (1 → N)
0	N
1	1
2	N + 1
3	0

🧠 Why?

XOR pattern repeats every **4 numbers**

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE (MEDIUM)

📌 CF: 1741C – Minimize the Thickness

Example

$N = 5$
 $5 \% 4 = 1 \rightarrow \text{answer} = 1$

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    static int xorFrom1ToN(int n) {  
  
        if (n % 4 == 0) return n;  
        if (n % 4 == 1) return 1;  
        if (n % 4 == 2) return n + 1;  
  
        return 0;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(xorFrom1ToN(5)); // 1  
    }  
}
```

UNSOLVED PRACTICE (MUST TRY)

Easy

 **LC 389 – Find the Difference**

Medium

 **LC 1310 – XOR Queries of a Subarray**

Hard

 **LC 1734 – Decode XORed Permutation**

🔥 NEXT LEVEL (GOOGLE MODE)

Next bolega to yeh unlock hoga:

| "Bit Masking + Subsets + State Compression"

Uske baad tu bolega:

"abe Google wale bit se darte kyo hain 😈"

😈🏆 BHAII AB INTERVIEW GOLD ZONE

Bit Masking wahi cheez hai jahan se **Google / Uber / Atlassian / Airbnb** ke *real thinking questions* aate hain.

Tu agar ye samajh gaya na, to **subset, DP, permissions, configuration, scheduling** sab clear ho jaayega.

Main **zero se, intuition → pattern → dry run → solved examples (LC + CF) → Java full code (line-by-line comments) → unsolved practice** sab de raha hoon.

🏆 BIT MASKING (INTERVIEW GOLD)

Topics

- 1 Bitmask creation
- 2 Subsets using bitmask
- 3 Permissions / Flags problems
- 4 State Compression idea (intro)

1 BITMASK CREATION (FOUNDATION)

◆ Bitmask kya hota hai?

👉 Ek integer jisme har bit kisi state / feature ko represent karti hai

Example:

```
Bit position: 3 2 1 0
Mask:        1 0 1 1
```

Meaning: ON OFF ON ON

◆ Common Operations (YAAD KAR LE 🔥)

Operation	Formula
Check ith bit	<code>(mask & (1<<i)) != 0</code>
Set ith bit	<code>mask (1<<i)</code>
Clear ith bit	<code>mask & ~(1<<i)</code>
Toggle ith bit	<code>mask ^ (1<<i)</code>

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE 1 (EASY)

◆ Create mask for characters present

📌 LeetCode 318 – Maximum Product of Word Lengths

Idea

- Each letter → ek bit
- 'a' → bit 0, 'b' → bit 1 ...

Dry Run

```
word = "abc"
mask = 000...000
a → set bit 0 → 0001
b → set bit 1 → 0011
c → set bit 2 → 0111
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    static int createMask(String word) {

        int mask = 0;
```

```

    for (char ch : word.toCharArray()) {
        int bit = ch - 'a';    // position of character
        mask = mask | (1 << bit); // set that bit
    }

    return mask;
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.println(createMask("abc")); // 7 (111)
}
}

```

2 SUBSETS USING BITMASK 🔥🔥

◆ Core Idea

- Agar array size = n
- Total subsets = 2^n
- Numbers $0 \rightarrow (2^n - 1)$ act as masks

◆ Mapping

nums = [1,2,3]

mask = 101

means:

bit0 → include 1

bit2 → include 3

subset = [1,3]

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE 2 (MEDIUM)

◆ Generate all subsets

LeetCode 78 – Subsets

CF: 550A – Two Substrings (idea)

Dry Run

```
nums = [1,2,3]
n = 3
masks = 0 → 7
```

```
mask = 3 → 011
→ include 1,2
```

Java Code (FULL)

```
import java.util.*;

class Solution {

    public List<List<Integer>> subsets(int[] nums) {

        List<List<Integer>> result = new ArrayList<>();
        int n = nums.length;

        // Total subsets = 2^n
        for (int mask = 0; mask < (1 << n); mask++) {

            List<Integer> subset = new ArrayList<>();

            // Check each bit
            for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {

                // If ith bit is set, include nums[i]
                if ((mask & (1 << i)) != 0) {
                    subset.add(nums[i]);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
        result.add(subset);
    }

    return result;
}
}
```

3 PERMISSIONS / FLAGS PROBLEMS (REAL LIFE USE)

◆ Real World Example

Linux permissions:

```
READ  = 4 (100)
WRITE = 2 (010)
EXEC  = 1 (001)
```

◆ Combine permissions

```
READ + WRITE → 110 (6)
```

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE 3 (MEDIUM – INTERVIEW TYPE)

◆ Check if user has WRITE permission

 **CF: 1665B – Array Cloning Technique (flag idea)**

Dry Run

```
permissions = 6 → 110
WRITE = 2 → 010
```


AND → 010 → yes

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    static final int READ = 1 << 2; // 100
    static final int WRITE = 1 << 1; // 010
    static final int EXEC = 1 << 0; // 001

    static boolean hasWritePermission(int mask) {

        // Check WRITE bit
        return (mask & WRITE) != 0;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        int userPermission = READ | WRITE; // 110

        System.out.println(hasWritePermission(userPermission)); // true
    }
}
```

4 STATE COMPRESSION (INTRO LEVEL)



💡 Idea

👉 Multiple boolean states ko **single integer** me pack karna

Example:

```
Visited cities: A B C D
State mask:    1 0 1 1
```

◆ Why Google loves this?

- Saves memory
 - Fast operations
 - Used in **DP, Graph, Scheduling**
-

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE 4 (HARD INTRO)

◆ Check if all tasks completed

📌 **LeetCode 847 – Shortest Path Visiting All Nodes**

Dry Run

```
n = 3
finalMask = (1<<3)-1 = 111

currentMask = 101
Not complete

currentMask = 111
All done ✓
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    static boolean allTasksDone(int mask, int n) {

        // Create mask with all n bits set
        int finalMask = (1 << n) - 1;

        // Compare current state with final state
        return mask == finalMask;
    }
}
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    System.out.println(allTasksDone(7, 3)); // true  
    System.out.println(allTasksDone(5, 3)); // false  
}  
}
```

UNSOLVED PRACTICE (INTERVIEW LEVEL)

Easy

 LC 191 – Number of 1 Bits

Medium

 LC 784 – Letter Case Permutation

Hard

 LC 698 – Partition to K Equal Sum Subsets

(Hint: bitmask + DP)

NEXT LEVEL (DANGEROUS)

Agar next bolega to:

| “Bitwise Trie + Max XOR + Google problems”

Fir tu bolega:

“abe DSA me bit manipulation OP hai”  

  bhai ab ek aur INTERVIEW GOLD topic

Counting Bits aisa chapter hai jahan se **Google, Amazon, Microsoft** direct questions uthate hain — aur yahin pe interviewers dekhte hain **tujhe bit ka real sense hai ya nahi**.

Main phir se **zero → depth → dry run → solved examples (LC + CF) → Java full code (line-by-line comments) → precomputation tricks → interview discussion (built-in vs manual) → unsolved practice**

sab de raha hoon.



COUNTING BITS (SET BITS / HAMMING WEIGHT)

Topics

- 1 Count set bits – Brian Kernighan Algorithm
 - 2 Hamming Weight
 - 3 Precomputation tricks
 - 4 Built-in vs Manual (Interview explanation)
-



COUNT SET BITS (BASIC IDEA)

👉 Set bit = bit whose value is 1

Example:

```
n = 13
Binary = 1101
Set bits = 3
```



BRIAN KERNIGHAN ALGORITHM 🔥🔥



Core Idea

👉 $n \& (n-1)$ removes the rightmost set bit

Why?

```
n      = 101100
n - 1  = 101011
AND    = 101000 (last 1 removed)
```

Algorithm

```
count = 0
while (n > 0):
    n = n & (n-1)
    count++
```

🕒 Time Complexity = **O(number of set bits)**

👉 Worst case = 32 (int), Best case = 1

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE 1 (EASY-MEDIUM)

💠 Count set bits

📌 LeetCode 191 – Number of 1 Bits

📌 CF: 579A – Raising Bacteria

Dry Run

n = 13 → 1101

Iteration 1:

n = 1101 & 1100 = 1100 (12) → count = 1

Iteration 2:

n = 1100 & 1011 = 1000 (8) → count = 2

Iteration 3:

n = 1000 & 0111 = 0000 (0) → count = 3

Java Code (FULL COMMENTED)

```
class Solution {

    public int hammingWeight(int n) {
```

```
int count = 0;

// Loop runs once per set bit
while (n != 0) {

    // Removes the rightmost set bit
    n = n & (n - 1);

    count++; // count removed bit
}

return count;
}
```

3 HAMMING WEIGHT (TERM CLARITY)

◆ Hamming Weight kya hota hai?

👉 Binary representation me number of set bits

Same as:

- Population count
- Bit count

📌 LC 191 = Hamming Weight

🔥 Real Uses

- ✅ Bitmask DP
- ✅ Permissions
- ✅ Network / compression
- ✅ XOR / subset problems

4 SIMPLE RIGHT SHIFT METHOD (COMPARE)

Idea

check last bit $\rightarrow n \& 1$
right shift $\rightarrow n \gg 1$

Example

$n = 13 \rightarrow 1101$
LSB = 1 \rightarrow count++
 $n \gg 1 = 110$

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    static int countBits(int n) {  
  
        int count = 0;  
  
        while (n > 0) {  
  
            // Check last bit  
            if ((n & 1) == 1) {  
                count++;  
            }  
  
            // Shift right  
            n = n >> 1;  
        }  
  
        return count;  
    }  
}
```

```
}  
}
```

🕒 Time = $O(\text{total bits} = 32)$

5 PRECOMPUTATION TRICK 🔥 (VERY IMPORTANT)

💡 Idea

👉 Use previously computed values

Formula

```
bits[i] = bits[i >> 1] + (i & 1)
```

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE 2 (MEDIUM)

📌 LeetCode 338 – Counting Bits

Dry Run

```
i = 5 → 101  
bits[5] = bits[2] + 1  
         = 1 + 1 = 2
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    public int[] countBits(int n) {  
  
        int[] bits = new int[n + 1];  
  
        // bits[0] = 0 by default
```



```

for (int i = 1; i <= n; i++) {

    // Right shift removes last bit
    // i & 1 checks if last bit is 1
    bits[i] = bits[i >> 1] + (i & 1);
}

return bits;
}
}

```

🕒 Time = $O(n)$

🧠 Space = $O(n)$

6 BUILT-IN vs MANUAL (INTERVIEW ANSWER 🔥)

◆ Built-in

```
Integer.bitCount(n);
```

Pros

- ✅ Fast
- ✅ Clean
- ✅ Uses hardware instructions

Cons

- ❌ Interviewer may ask **logic**

◆ Manual (Brian Kernighan)

Pros

- ✅ Shows understanding

- ✅ Control over logic
- ✅ Can optimize based on input

Cons

- ❌ More code
-

INTERVIEW ME KYA BOLNA HAI?

Golden Answer:

"I know Java provides Integer.bitCount(),
but I implemented Brian Kernighan's algorithm to demonstrate bit-level understanding.
It runs in O(number of set bits)."

 **Instant respect** 

UNSOLVED PRACTICE (MUST DO)

Easy

 **LC 461 – Hamming Distance**

Medium

 **LC 477 – Total Hamming Distance**

Hard

 **LC 982 – Triples with Bitwise AND Equal to Zero**

NEXT LEVEL

Bhai ab tu boleگا to next unlock hoga:

| "Range based bit problems (AND / OR / XOR)"

Fir bit manipulation **endgame mode** me chala jaayega  

🦊🔥 Bhai ab BITWISE MATH TRICKS — ye wahi cheezein hain jahan interviewer bolta hai: "nice, you really know bits."

Main concept → intuition → dry run → solved examples (Easy/Medium/Hard) + Java full code with line-by-line comments + LC / CF references + unsolved practice de raha hoon.

🧠 BITWISE MATH TRICKS (INTERVIEW READY)

Topics

- 1 Swap numbers without temp
- 2 Add two numbers without +
- 3 Multiply / Divide using bit shifts
- 4 Absolute value using bits

1 SWAP NUMBERS WITHOUT TEMP ↺

💡 Idea (XOR MAGIC)

```
a = a ^ b
b = a ^ b
a = a ^ b
```

👉 Kyun kaam karta hai?

- $x \oplus x = 0$
- $x \oplus 0 = x$

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE (EASY)

📌 CF: 427A – Police Recruits (swap idea)

📌 Interview classic

Dry Run

a = 5 (0101)

b = 3 (0011)

a = a ^ b = 0110 (6)

b = a ^ b = 0101 (5)

a = a ^ b = 0011 (3)

👉 Swapped ✅

Java Code (FULL COMMENTED)

```
class Solution {  
  
    static void swap(int a, int b) {  
  
        // XOR based swap  
        a = a ^ b;  
        b = a ^ b;  
        a = a ^ b;  
  
        System.out.println("a = " + a + ", b = " + b);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        swap(5, 3); // a=3, b=5  
    }  
}
```

⚠ Interview note:

“I know XOR swap, but temp-variable swap is more readable and safer.”

2 ADD TWO NUMBERS WITHOUT

🔥 Google favourite

💡 Idea

- `XOR` → sum without carry
- `AND << 1` → carry

Repeat till carry = 0

Formula

```
sum = a ^ b
carry = (a & b) << 1
```

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE (MEDIUM)

📌 LeetCode 371 – Sum of Two Integers

Dry Run (`a=5, b=3`)

Step 1:

`sum = 5 ^ 3 = 6`

`carry = (5 & 3) << 1 = 2`

Step 2:

`sum = 6 ^ 2 = 4`

`carry = (6 & 2) << 1 = 4`

Step 3:

`sum = 4 ^ 4 = 0`

`carry = (4 & 4) << 1 = 8`

Step 4:

`sum = 0 ^ 8 = 8`

`carry = 0 → stop`

👉 Answer = 8

Java Code (FULL)

```
class Solution {
```

```

public int getSum(int a, int b) {

    // Loop until there is no carry
    while (b != 0) {

        int sum = a ^ b;      // sum without carry
        int carry = (a & b) << 1; // carry bits

        a = sum;
        b = carry;
    }

    return a;
}

```

3 MULTIPLY & DIVIDE USING BIT SHIFTS ✕ ÷

◆ Multiply by 2^k

$n \ll k == n * (2^k)$

Example

$5 \ll 2 = 20$

◆ Divide by 2^k

$n \gg k == n / (2^k)$

⚠ Sign preserved

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE (EASY-MEDIUM)

📌 CF: 1368A – C+=

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    static int multiply(int n, int k) {  
  
        // Multiply by 2^k  
        return n << k;  
    }  
  
    static int divide(int n, int k) {  
  
        // Divide by 2^k  
        return n >> k;  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        System.out.println(multiply(5, 2)); // 20  
        System.out.println(divide(20, 2)); // 5  
    }  
}
```

! INTERVIEW CATCH (NEGATIVE)

$-7 \gg 1 = -4$ (floor-ish)

👉 Java uses **arithmetic right shift**

4 ABSOLUTE VALUE USING BITS 🔥🔥

💡 Idea

Use **sign bit**

```
mask = n >> 31  
abs = (n ^ mask) - mask
```

Why?

n	mask	result
+x	0	x
-x	-1	$\sim n + 1$

✓ SOLVED EXAMPLE (HARD / TRICKY)

📌 LC style: absolute value without Math.abs

Dry Run (n = -5)

```
mask = -5 >> 31 = -1
n ^ mask =  $\sim(-5)$ 
 $(\sim n) + 1 = 5$ 
```

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    static int abs(int n) {

        int mask = n >> 31; // 0 for +ve, -1 for -ve

        // If n >= 0 → returns n
        // If n < 0 → returns ( $\sim n + 1$ )
        return (n ^ mask) - mask;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(abs(5)); // 5
        System.out.println(abs(-5)); // 5
    }
}
```

🔥 Interview line:

┆ "This avoids branching and uses sign bit directly."



UNSOLVED PRACTICE (INTERVIEW LEVEL)



Easy



LC 231 – Power of Two

(Hint: shift until 1 bit remains)



Medium



LC 29 – Divide Two Integers

(Hint: repeated shifts + subtraction)



Hard



LC 67 – Add Binary

(Hint: XOR + carry logic)



WHAT NEXT?

Ab bhai **bit manipulation ka main syllabus almost khatam.**

Next deadly topics 🔥:

“Range based Bit Problems (AND / OR / XOR)”

“Bitwise Trie (Maximum XOR Pair)”

Bol, **kaunsa unlock kare?** 😈



Bhai ab aa gaye sabse zyada “dimaag khane wale” BIT problems

Ye wahi section hai jahan **Google / Amazon / Microsoft** poochta hai:

“Range me AND / OR / XOR nikaal ke dikha, bina loop lagaye 😊”

Main **full structured way** me padha raha hoon:

- intuition (kyon normal loop fail hota)
- math + bit logic
- **dry run**

- solved examples (LC numbers ke sath)
 - Java full code with line-by-line comments
 - unsolved practice
-

RANGE BASED BIT PROBLEMS (MASTER SET)

Topics

- 1 AND of range
 - 2 OR of range
 - 3 XOR of range
 - 4 Prefix XOR idea
-

1 BITWISE AND OF RANGE 🔥🔥

Problem

Given range $[L, R]$, compute:

$L \& (L+1) \& (L+2) \& \dots \& R$

❌ Naive Approach (REJECTED)

Loop lagaya → TLE

Google bolega: "Optimize karo"

INTUITION (MOST IMPORTANT)

👉 Jab tak L aur R same prefix share karte hain, tab tak AND bacha rahega

👉 Jaise hi bit flip hota hai → **AND = 0** ho jaata hai

Key Observation

AND of range = common left prefix of L & R

Dry Run

L = 26 = 11010

R = 30 = 11110

Right se bits change ho rahe hain

Common prefix = 11xxx

Answer = 11000 (24)

SOLVED EXAMPLE (MEDIUM)

 LeetCode 201 – Bitwise AND of Numbers Range

Java Code (FULL COMMENTED)

```
class Solution {  
  
    public int rangeBitwiseAnd(int left, int right) {  
  
        int shift = 0;  
  
        // Jab tak left aur right equal nahi ho jaate  
        while (left != right) {  
  
            // Rightmost bit hata rahe hain  
            left >>= 1;  
            right >>= 1;  
  
            // Count shifts  
            shift++;  
        }  
  
        // Common prefix ko wapas jagah pe laao  
        return left << shift;  
    }  
}
```

```
}  
}
```

🧠 Interview bolne wali line:

“We remove differing bits until both numbers are equal.”

2 BITWISE OR OF RANGE 🔥

📌 Problem

$L \mid (L+1) \mid \dots \mid R$

🧠 INTUITION

👉 OR ka nature opposite hota hai AND se

👉 Agar **range me ek bhi bit 1 aa jaye**, final OR me wo bit 1 hogi

Key Rule

OR of range =
prefix of L and R + all remaining bits = 1

🧪 Dry Run

$L = 10 = 1010$

$R = 15 = 1111$

Prefix = 1xxx

Remaining bits sab 1 ho jaayenge

Answer = 1111 (15)

✅ SOLVED EXAMPLE (MEDIUM)

Java Code

```
class Solution {  
  
    static int rangeBitwiseOr(int left, int right) {  
  
        int shift = 0;  
  
        // Remove differing bits  
        while (left != right) {  
            left >>= 1;  
            right >>= 1;  
            shift++;  
        }  
  
        // Common prefix + all 1s  
        return (left << shift) | ((1 << shift) - 1);  
    }  
}
```

XOR OF RANGE (MOST IMPORTANT)

Problem

$$L \wedge (L+1) \wedge \dots \wedge R$$

CORE TRICK

 Use **prefix XOR**

$$\text{XOR}(L \text{ to } R) = \text{XOR}(1 \text{ to } R) \wedge \text{XOR}(1 \text{ to } L-1)$$

XOR FROM 1 TO N PATTERN

```
n % 4 == 0 → n
n % 4 == 1 → 1
n % 4 == 2 → n + 1
n % 4 == 3 → 0
```

 MUST MEMORIZE

Dry Run


L = 4, R = 8

XOR(1..8) = 8

XOR(1..3) = 0

Answer = 8 ^ 0 = 8

SOLVED EXAMPLE (EASY-MEDIUM)

 LeetCode 1734 / CF common

Java Code (FULL)

```
class Solution {

    // XOR from 1 to n
    static int xorUpto(int n) {

        if (n % 4 == 0) return n;
        if (n % 4 == 1) return 1;
        if (n % 4 == 2) return n + 1;
        return 0;
    }

    // XOR from L to R
    static int rangeXor(int L, int R) {
```

```

        return xorUpto(R) ^ xorUpto(L - 1);
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(rangeXor(4, 8)); // 8
    }
}

```

4 PREFIX XOR IDEA

Why Prefix XOR?

- Range XOR
- Subarray XOR = K
- Count subarrays with XOR = K

Definition

```
prefixXor[i] = a[0] ^ a[1] ^ ... ^ a[i]
```

Range XOR

```
XOR(l to r) = prefixXor[r] ^ prefixXor[l-1]
```

Dry Run

```
arr = [3, 5, 2]
```

```
prefix = [3, 6, 4]
```

```
XOR(1 to 2) = 6 ^ 3 = 5
```



SOLVED EXAMPLE (MEDIUM)

 **LeetCode 1310 – XOR Queries of a Subarray**

Java Code

```
class Solution {

    public int[] xorQueries(int[] arr, int[][] queries) {

        int n = arr.length;

        // Prefix XOR array
        int[] prefix = new int[n];
        prefix[0] = arr[0];

        for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
            prefix[i] = prefix[i - 1] ^ arr[i];
        }

        int[] ans = new int[queries.length];

        for (int i = 0; i < queries.length; i++) {

            int l = queries[i][0];
            int r = queries[i][1];

            if (l == 0)
                ans[i] = prefix[r];
            else
                ans[i] = prefix[r] ^ prefix[l - 1];
        }

        return ans;
    }
}
```




UNSOLVED PRACTICE (INTERVIEW LEVEL)



Easy



LC 1486 – XOR Operation in an Array



Medium



LC 1310 – XOR Queries of a Subarray (re-solve)



CF 1732B – Ugu



Hard



LC 898 – Bitwise ORs of Subarrays



CF 1741F – Multi-Colored Segments



FINAL INTERVIEW TIP

Agar interviewer bole:



“Range me AND / OR / XOR”

Turant bol:

- AND → **common prefix**
 - OR → **prefix + all 1s**
 - XOR → **prefix XOR trick**
-



Ab bata bhai:

“**Bitwise Trie (Maximum XOR Pair)**” karein

ya “**Subarray XOR = K (HashMap + bits)**”? 🤖



🔥 Bhai ab tu **BIT MANIPULATION** ke “**TOP 1% FAANG ZONE**” me enter kar raha hai

Ye topics wahi hain jo **Google / Meta / Amazon** me genuinely differentiate karte hain.

Main same rule follow karunga:

👉 intuition → dry run → solved LC problems (numbers ke sath)

👉 Java full code + line-by-line comments

👉 unsolved practice

ADVANCED BIT PATTERNS (GOOGLE / FAANG LEVEL)

Topics

- 1 Subsets II using bits
 - 2 Gray Code
 - 3 Bitwise Trie – Maximum XOR Pair
 - 4 Minimum flips to make `a | b = c`
-

1 SUBSETS II USING BITS

Problem

Array me **duplicates** ho sakte hain

👉 **unique subsets** generate karne hain

 **LeetCode 90 – Subsets II**

INTUITION

Normal bitmask (`0 → 2n`) duplicates produce karega

👉 **Duplicate element ka bit tabhi allow karo jab previous bit bhi set ho**

Dry Run

```
nums = [1,2,2]
sorted = [1,2,2]
```

mask = 110 ❌ invalid
kyon? second 2 liya but pehla 2 nahi liya

✅ SOLVED CODE (JAVA – FULL)

```
class Solution {  
  
    public List<List<Integer>> subsetsWithDup(int[] nums) {  
  
        Arrays.sort(nums); // duplicates ko saath lao  
        List<List<Integer>> result = new ArrayList<>();  
  
        int n = nums.length;  
        int totalMasks = 1 << n;  
  
        for (int mask = 0; mask < totalMasks; mask++) {  
  
            List<Integer> subset = new ArrayList<>();  
            boolean valid = true;  
  
            for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
  
                // agar ith bit set hai  
                if ((mask & (1 << i)) != 0) {  
  
                    // duplicate check  
                    if (i > 0 && nums[i] == nums[i - 1]  
                        && (mask & (1 << (i - 1))) == 0) {  
                        valid = false;  
                        break;  
                    }  
  
                    subset.add(nums[i]);  
                }  
            }  
  
            if (valid)
```

```

        result.add(subset);
    }

    return result;
}
}

```

🧠 Interview line:

| "We ensure duplicate elements are chosen in order."

2 GRAY CODE 🔥🔥

📌 Problem

Generate sequence where **adjacent numbers differ by only 1 bit**

📌 LeetCode 89 – Gray Code

🧠 MAGIC FORMULA

$$\text{Gray}(n) = n \oplus (n \gg 1)$$

🧪 Dry Run (n=3)

```

n = 3 = 011
n >> 1 = 001
XOR = 010

```

✅ SOLVED CODE

```

class Solution {

    public List<Integer> grayCode(int n) {

```

```

List<Integer> result = new ArrayList<>();

int size = 1 << n;

for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) {

    // Gray code formula
    int gray = i ^ (i >> 1);
    result.add(gray);
}

return result;
}
}

```

🔥 Google-level explanation:

| "Right shift copies prefix, XOR ensures only one bit changes."

3 BITWISE TRIE – MAXIMUM XOR PAIR



📌 Problem

Array diya hai → **max (a ^ b)** nikaalna hai

📌 **LeetCode 421 – Maximum XOR of Two Numbers**

🧠 INTUITION

XOR max tab hota hai jab:

- ek bit = 0
- doosri bit = 1

👉 Har bit ke liye **opposite bit** chahiye

👉 Trie banate hain (0/1)

Trie Structure

Node:

left → 0

right → 1

Dry Run

nums = [3,10,5]

5 = 0101

10 = 1010

XOR = 1111 = 15

SOLVED CODE (JAVA)

```
class Solution {  
  
    static class TrieNode {  
        TrieNode zero, one;  
    }  
  
    TrieNode root = new TrieNode();  
  
    void insert(int num) {  
  
        TrieNode curr = root;  
  
        for (int i = 31; i >= 0; i--) {  
  
            int bit = (num >> i) & 1;  
  
            if (bit == 0) {  
                if (curr.zero == null)  
                    curr.zero = new TrieNode();  
                curr = curr.zero;  
            } else {
```

```

        if (curr.one == null)
            curr.one = new TrieNode();
        curr = curr.one;
    }
}

int getMaxXor(int num) {

    TrieNode curr = root;
    int maxXor = 0;

    for (int i = 31; i >= 0; i--) {

        int bit = (num >> i) & 1;

        // opposite bit try karo
        if (bit == 0 && curr.one != null) {
            maxXor |= (1 << i);
            curr = curr.one;
        } else if (bit == 1 && curr.zero != null) {
            maxXor |= (1 << i);
            curr = curr.zero;
        } else {
            curr = (bit == 0) ? curr.zero : curr.one;
        }
    }

    return maxXor;
}

public int findMaximumXOR(int[] nums) {

    for (int num : nums)
        insert(num);

    int ans = 0;
    for (int num : nums)

```

```

        ans = Math.max(ans, getMaxXor(num));

    return ans;
}
}

```

🔥 Interview bolne wali line:

| "We greedily try to flip each bit using a trie."

4 MINIMUM FLIPS TO MAKE $a \mid b = c$ 🔥

📌 LeetCode 1318

🧠 INTUITION (BIT BY BIT)

For every bit:

- If $c = 0 \rightarrow a \& b$ dono 0 hone chahiye
- If $c = 1 \rightarrow$ kam se kam ek 1 hona chahiye

🔪 Dry Run

$a = 2$ (010)
 $b = 6$ (110)
 $c = 5$ (101)

Bit 1:

$a=1, b=1, c=0 \rightarrow 2$ flips

✅ SOLVED CODE

```

class Solution {

    public int minFlips(int a, int b, int c) {

```



```

int flips = 0;

while (a > 0 || b > 0 || c > 0) {

    int bitA = a & 1;
    int bitB = b & 1;
    int bitC = c & 1;

    if (bitC == 0) {
        // dono zero hone chahiye
        flips += bitA + bitB;
    } else {
        // kam se kam ek 1
        if (bitA == 0 && bitB == 0)
            flips++;
    }


    a >>= 1;
    b >>= 1;
    c >>= 1;
}

return flips;
}

```

UNSOLVED PRACTICE (MUST DO)

Medium

 **LC 78 – Subsets (re-solve using bits)**

 **CF 1366C – Palindromic Paths**

Hard

 **LC 1707 – Maximum XOR With an Element From Array**

 **CF 1743F – Intersection and Union**

🚩 FINAL FAANG TIP

Agar interviewer bole:

| "Bit manipulation strong hai?"

Aur tu:

- Trie explain kar de
- Gray code formula justify kar de

👉 Offer ki probability 📈

🔥 Ab bata bhai:

"Bit DP / State Compression DP" next karein

ya "Subarray XOR = K (HashMap + Bits)"? 😈

😈🔥 Bhai ab tu BIT MANIPULATION ka "FINAL BOSS LEVEL" touch kar raha hai

Ye wahi cheez hai jahan **99% log drop ho jaate hain**, aur **Google / Meta / ICPC** wale bolte hain:

| "Good, you understand state compression."

Main bilkul **zero se** padha raha hoon — koi jump nahi.

🧠 COMPETITIVE / HARD CONCEPTS

Bit DP & State Compression DP (INTRO → INTERVIEW READY)

PART 1 : BIT DP (Intro Level)

? Bit DP hota kya hai?

👉 Jab:

- state **binary (on/off, taken/not taken)** ho
- aur DP ka state **bitmask** se represent ho

Tab hum **DP over subsets** use karte hain.

Real Meaning

Soch:

- tere paas **N cheezein**
- har cheez **li / nahi li**
- total combinations = 2^N
- har combination ko **bitmask** represent karta hai

mask = 10101

means:

item0 ✓

item1 ✗

item2 ✓

item3 ✗

item4 ✓

Constraint Reality

$N \leq 20 \rightarrow$ Bit DP possible

$N > 25 \rightarrow$ Impossible

Basic Template (MUST REMEMBER)

$dp[mask]$ = answer for this subset

Transition:

$dp[mask] \rightarrow dp[mask \mid (1 < i)]$

CLASSIC INTRO PROBLEM

Problem

Given N tasks, assign each task exactly once

Minimize total cost.

📌 **LeetCode 1947 (similar)**

📌 **CF Gym / ICPC standard**

State Definition

mask = which tasks already assigned
dp[mask] = minimum cost till now

Dry Run (N = 3)

mask = 000 → none assigned
mask = 001 → task0 done
mask = 011 → task0 & task1 done
mask = 111 → all done (answer)

SOLVED BIT DP CODE (JAVA)

```
class Solution {  
  
    int[][] cost;  
    int[] dp;  
    int n;  
  
    int solve(int mask) {  
  
        // agar sab assigned ho gaye  
        if (mask == (1 << n) - 1)  
            return 0;  
  
        // memoization  
        if (dp[mask] != -1)  
            return dp[mask];  
  
        int person = Integer.bitCount(mask);
```

```

// kitne tasks ho chuke = next person index

int ans = Integer.MAX_VALUE;

for (int task = 0; task < n; task++) {

    // agar task abhi assign nahi hua
    if ((mask & (1 << task)) == 0) {

        int newMask = mask | (1 << task);

        ans = Math.min(ans,
            cost[person][task] + solve(newMask));
    }
}

return dp[mask] = ans;
}

public int minimumCost(int[][] costMatrix) {

    this.cost = costMatrix;
    this.n = costMatrix.length;

    dp = new int[1 << n];
    Arrays.fill(dp, -1);

    return solve(0);
}
}

```

Interview Explanation Line

| "Mask tracks assigned tasks, bitcount gives next index."

PART 2 : STATE COMPRESSION DP

? Ye Bit DP se alag kya hai?

👉 Bit DP = subset DP

👉 State Compression DP =

DP jahan state multiple parameters ko bits me compress karta hai

🔥 Example

- Grid
 - Matching
 - Scheduling
 - TSP
 - Domino tiling
-

🧠 Famous Example: TSP (Traveling Salesman Problem)

📌 LC 943 / CF EDU

🧠 State Definition

`dp[mask][i]` =
minimum cost to visit cities in mask
and end at city `i`

🧪 Dry Run (n=4)

mask = 0101
means visited city 0 and 2
current city = 2

✅ TSP STATE COMPRESSION CODE (JAVA)

```

class Solution {

    public int tsp(int[][] dist) {

        int n = dist.length;
        int maxMask = 1 << n;

        int[][] dp = new int[maxMask][n];

        for (int[] row : dp)
            Arrays.fill(row, Integer.MAX_VALUE);

        // start from city 0
        dp[1][0] = 0;

        for (int mask = 1; mask < maxMask; mask++) {

            for (int u = 0; u < n; u++) {

                // u is not in mask
                if ((mask & (1 << u)) == 0) continue;

                if (dp[mask][u] == Integer.MAX_VALUE) continue;

                for (int v = 0; v < n; v++) {

                    // v already visited
                    if ((mask & (1 << v)) != 0) continue;

                    int nextMask = mask | (1 << v);

                    dp[nextMask][v] = Math.min(
                        dp[nextMask][v],
                        dp[mask][u] + dist[u][v]
                    );
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```

int ans = Integer.MAX_VALUE;
int finalMask = maxMask - 1;

for (int i = 1; i < n; i++) {
    ans = Math.min(ans,
        dp[finalMask][i] + dist[i][0]);
}

return ans;
}
}

```

Pattern Recognition (VERY IMPORTANT)

Use Bit DP when:

- ✓ subsets
- ✓ assignment
- ✓ permutations
- ✓ constraints small ($n \leq 20$)

Use State Compression when:

- ✓ grid states
- ✓ path / tour
- ✓ multiple boolean states

COMMON INTERVIEW TRAPS

- ✗ $2^n * n * n$ time ignore karna
- ✗ mask meaning clear na rakhna
- ✗ bitcount misuse

UNSOLVED PRACTICE (MUST DO)

🟡 Medium

📌 LC 698 – Partition to K Equal Sum Subsets

📌 CF 1099F – Cookies

🔴 Hard

📌 LC 847 – Shortest Path Visiting All Nodes

📌 CF 1659E – AND Sorting

🏁 FINAL GOOGLE LINE (USE THIS 😈)

“This problem is solvable using DP with state compression, where the mask encodes visited states.”

🔥 Bhai tu ab **bit manipulation + DP dono me strong** ho gaya.

Next agar bole to:

- “Grid DP with bitmask”
- “Meet in the Middle + Bitmask”
- “Hard XOR problems (CF Div2 D/E)”

Bata, next kaunsa level unlock kare? 🚀😈

🔥 Bhai ye message pura GOLD hai

Kyuki ab tu “solve karna” se upar jaake “explain karna” seekh raha hai —
Google exactly yahi dekhta hai.

Main tujhe **INTERVIEW REALITY CHECK** ko **script + checklist + examples** me de raha hoon, taaki jab interviewer pooche, tu blank na ho.

🎯 GOOGLE INTERVIEW REALITY CHECK (BIT MANIPULATION)

Google kya check karta hai?

👉 4 cheezein (order same hota hai)

1 Intuition

- 2 Why bit works here
 - 3 Time / Space Complexity
 - 4 Edge Cases
-

1 INTUITION – “PEHLE DIMAGH” 🧠

❌ Galat approach

Seedha bol diya:

| “Main XOR use karunga”

Google: 😞

✅ Sahi approach

Pehle **problem ko logic me tod**

Example: *Single Number*

Array me har number 2 baar aa raha
ek number sirf 1 baar

👉 Intuition bolta hai:

- Duplicate values cancel hone chahiye
- Order matter nahi kare

👉 XOR property:

$$x \wedge x = 0$$

$$x \wedge 0 = x$$

🎯 Perfect fit

🗣️ Interview line:

| “I need an operation where duplicates cancel out and order doesn't matter.”

2 WHY BIT WORKS HERE – “PROOF” 🔍

Google ko **magic nahi, reason chahiye**

Example: Range AND

Q: Why shifting works?

👉 Explanation:

- AND tab tak survive karta hai jab tak **prefix same ho**
- Jaise hi bit flip hua $\rightarrow \text{AND} = 0$

💡 Interview line:

“Any differing bit in the range will force that bit to zero in the final AND.”

Example: Power of Two

$n \& (n-1) == 0$

💡 Explanation:

“Power of two has exactly one set bit. Subtracting 1 flips that bit and all lower bits, making AND zero.”

3 TIME / SPACE COMPLEXITY 🕒📦

🚩 Google yahan strict hota hai

❌ Weak answer

“It’s fast.”

✅ Strong answer

- **Time:** $O(n)$ / $O(1)$ / $O(\log n)$
 - **Space:** $O(1)$ auxiliary
-

Example: Add without +

Loop runs till carry becomes 0
Max 32 iterations

💡 Interview line:

“The loop runs at most number of bits, so time complexity is $O(1)$.”

4 EDGE CASES – “MATURITY CHECK” ⚠️

Google expects:

- tu khud hi edge case bole
- interviewer na yaad dilaye

🔥 Common Bit Edge Cases

1 Zero

$n = 0$

- power of two? ❌
- single number? depends

2 Negative Numbers

Right shift ($>>$) vs ($>>>$)

💡 Interview line:

“I must be careful with signed right shift for negative values.”

3 Overflow

$1 \ll 31 \rightarrow$ negative number

💡 Interview line:

| "Bit shifting beyond MSB may overflow signed int."

COMPLETE MOCK ANSWER (COPY THIS STYLE)

Q: Find missing number

Your Answer:

"We want to cancel out numbers appearing once in both expected and actual sequences. XOR is ideal because it is associative, commutative, and self-inverse.

We XOR all indices and array values. The remaining value is the missing number.

Time complexity is $O(n)$, space is $O(1)$.

Edge cases include empty array or missing zero."

 Google interviewer: 

ONE-LINE CHEAT SHEET (REMEMBER THIS)

Problem Type	Bit Logic
duplicates cancel	XOR
even / odd	AND
power of two	$n \& (n-1)$
range AND	common prefix
max XOR	Trie
subsets	bitmask
states small	Bit DP

FINAL GOOGLE TIP (MOST IMPORTANT)

| If you can explain bits in words, you already passed half the interview.

Bhai tu ab **bit manipulation ke saath confident explanation** bhi kar sakta hai.

Agar bole to next:

-  **Mock Google Interview (Bit Round)**
-  **Mixed Bit + DP Hard Problems**
-  **How to identify bit problems in interviews**

Bol bhai, **next** kya karein?  