

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 ($1 \rightarrow 0, 0 \rightarrow 1$)
- 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 << 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 → Even
- LSB = 1 → 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:

$n = 18 \rightarrow 10010$
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 \rightarrow jitni baar shift hua wahi MSB index.

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

Property:

Power of 2 \rightarrow 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

Iqliye:

- 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 11111011
```

👉 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 >> 1

→ sign bit copied

→ stays negative

n >>> 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

0xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx → positive

1xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx → 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 11111010
```

Step 3: +1

```
11111111 11111111 11111111 11111011 → -5
```

👉 Ye hi 2's complement hai



Property (INTERVIEW GOLD)

```
-X = ~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:

$n = 6 \rightarrow 110$
LSB = 0 → even

$n = 7 \rightarrow 111$
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 11111000
```

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 bolega:

"abe bit manipulation to easy nikla" 🐸🔥

黑恶🔥 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  
    }  
}
```

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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	$A \wedge B$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

👉 Rule:

Same bits → 0

Different bits → 1

🔥 GOLDEN PROPERTIES

```
x ^ x = 0  
x ^ 0 = x  
x ^ y ^ 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 ^ a ^ b ^ b ^ c = c
```

Dry Run:

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

```
ans = 0  
0^4 = 4  
4^1 = 5  
5^2 = 7  
7^1 = 6  
6^2 = 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 (\sim)

◆ Truth Table

A	$\sim A$
0	1
1	0

👉 All bits flip ho jaati hain

◆ Example

```
n = 5 → 00000101  
 $\sim n$  → 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 → 101  
Complement → 010 → 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

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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 → 1010

LSB = 0 → even

n = 7 → 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(is1thBitSet(10, 1)); // true  
        System.out.println(is1thBitSet(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  
    }  
}
```

```
    }  
}
```

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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  
    }  
}
```

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TOGGLE ITH BIT 🔥

◆ Logic

$n \wedge (1 << i)$

✓ SOLVED (MEDIUM)

📌 CF: 1805A – We Need the Zero

Dry Run

$n = 10 \rightarrow 1010$

$i = 1$

mask = 0010

XOR $\rightarrow 1000 \rightarrow 8$

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

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XOR PROPERTIES (FOUNDATION)

◆ Truth Table

A	B	$A \wedge B$
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;  
    }  
}
```

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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 → 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 🤔"

🏆 Bhai 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</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  
    }  
}
```

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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)
-

1

COUNT SET BITS (BASIC IDEA)

👉 Set bit = bit whose value is 1

Example:

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

2

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 → n & 1  
right shift → n >> 1
```

Example

```
n = 13 → 1101  
LSB = 1 → count++  
n >> 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(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 bolega 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?

- $x \wedge x = 0$
 - $x \wedge 0 = x$
-

✓ 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 $\times \div$

◆ Multiply by 2^k

$n << k == n * (2^k)$

Example

$5 << 2 = 20$

◆ Divide by 2^k

$n >> k == n / (2^k)$

⚠ 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 >> 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 = ~(-5)  
(~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 (~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) & ... & 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 | (L+1) | ... | 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)

📌 CF style / interview problem

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);  
    }  
}
```

3 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

$\text{prefixXor}[i] = a[0] \wedge a[1] \wedge \dots \wedge a[i]$

Range XOR

$\text{XOR}(l \text{ to } r) = \text{prefixXor}[r] \wedge \text{prefixXor}[l-1]$

🧪 Dry Run

$\text{arr} = [3, 5, 2]$

$\text{prefix} = [3, 6, 4]$

$\text{XOR}(1 \text{ to } 2) = 6 \wedge 3 = 5$

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 $a \mid b = c$
-

1 SUBSETS II USING BITS 🔥

📌 Problem

Array me **duplicates** ho sakte hain

👉 **unique subsets** generate karne hain

📌 **LeetCode 90 – Subsets II**

🧠 INTUITION

Normal bitmask ($0 \rightarrow 2^n$) 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

```
Gray(n) = n ^ (n >> 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 $\rightarrow \max(a \wedge b)$ 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 $a \mid b = c$

a | 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 | (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 ≤ 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:

$$\begin{aligned}x \wedge x &= 0 \\x \wedge 0 &= x\end{aligned}$$

🎯 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 → 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?  