

UNIT – 1 BASIC CONCEPTS OF COMPUTERS

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Unit 1 Contents



Basic Concepts of computers: Architecture of computer, Types of Processor, Primary Storage, Secondary Storage, Number Systems, Data Representation-Signed, Unsigned, one's complement, two's complement, Floating point, char, String. Introduction to system software: Operating system, Editor, Compiler, Assembler, Linker, Loader.

Introduction to Computer



□ Computer:

- The word computer comes from the word "compute", which means, "to calculate"
- Computer is an electronic device that can perform arithmetic and logical operations at high speed
- A computer is also called a data processor because it can store, process, and retrieve data whenever desired
- Data is raw material used as input and information is processed data obtained as output of data processing

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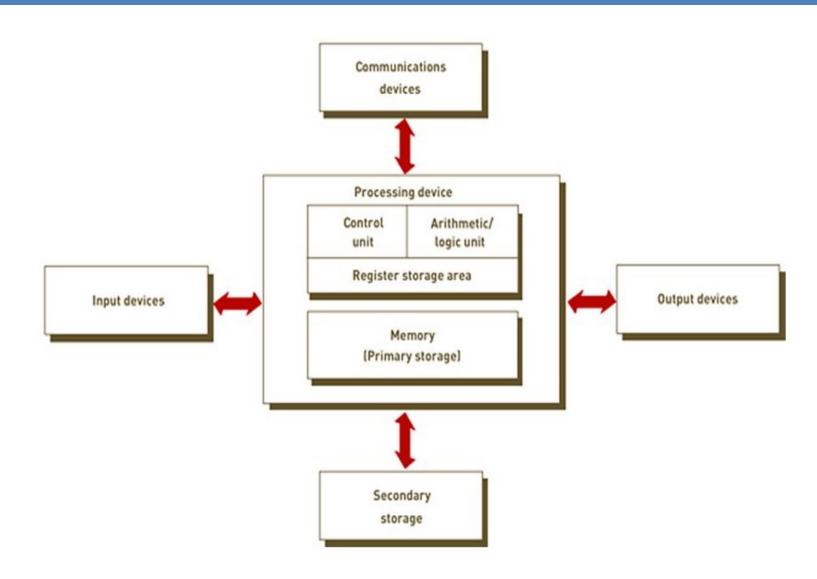
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Architecture of Computer system





Generation of Computers



- □ "Generation" in computer talk is a step in technology
- It provides a framework for the growth of computer industry
- Originally it was used to distinguish between various hardware technologies, but now it has been extended to include both hardware and software
- Till today, there are five computer generations

Generation of Computers



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Generation (Period)	Key hardware technologies	Key software technologies	Key characteristi
First (1942-1955)	 Vacuum tubes Electromagnetic relay memory Punched cards secondary storage 	 Machine and assembly languages Stored program concept Mostly scientific applications 	 Bulky in size Highly unreliable Limited comruse and costly Difficult comr production Difficult to use
Second (1955-1964)	 Transistors Magnetic cores memory 	 Batch operating system High-level 	 Faster, smaller, reliable and eas program than pr

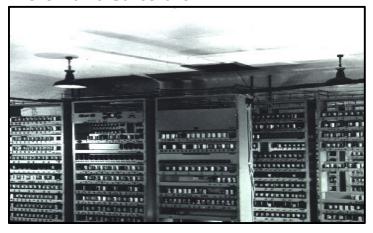
Some First Generation Computers MIT-WP



ENIAC: Electronic Numerical Integrator and Calculator



EDSAC: Electronic Delay Storage Automatic Calculator



EDVAC: Electronic Discrete Variable Automatic Computer



UNIVAC: Universal Automatic Computer



Generation of Computers



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Generation	Key hardware	Key software	Key
(Period)	technologies	technologies	characteristics
Third (1964-1975)	 ICs with SSI and MSI technologies Larger magnetic 	 Timesharing operating system 	 Faster, smaller, n reliable, easier ar cheaper to produ
	 cores memory Larger capacity	 Standardization	 Commercially, ea
	disks and	of high-level	to use, and easie
	magnetic tapes	programming	upgrade than
	secondary	languages Unbundling of	previous generati
	storage	software from	systems Scientific, comme

Note:

- □ SSI: Small Scale Integration
- MSI: Medium Scale Integration
- PDP: Personal Data Processors
- CDC: Control Data Corporation

Generation of Computers



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Generation	Key hardware	Key software technologies	Key
(Period)	Technologies		character
Fourth (1975-1989)	 ICs with VLSI technology Microprocessors; semiconductor memory Larger capacity hard disks as in-built secondary storage Magnetic tapes and floppy disks as portable storage media Personal computers Supercomputers based on parallel vector 	 Operating systems for PCs with GUI and multiple windows on a single terminal screen Multiprocessing OS with concurrent programming languages UNIX operating system with C programming language Object-oriented design and programming 	 Small, aff reliable, a to use PCs More and mainframe systems supercomp Totally purpose m Easier to commercial Easier to use a single commercial

Note:

VLSI: Very Large Scale Integration

□ VAX: Virtual Address Extension

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Generation of Computers



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Generation	Key hardware	Key software	Key
(Period)	technologies	technologies	characteristics
Fifth (1989- Present)	 ICs with ULSI technology Larger capacity main memory, hard disks with RAID support Optical disks as portable read-only storage media Notebooks, powerful desktop PCs and workstations 	 Micro-kernel based, multithreading, distributed OS Parallel programming libraries like MPI & PVM JAVA World Wide Web Multimedia, Internet applications More complex 	 Portable computer Powerful, cheaper reliable, and easing to use desktomachines Powerful supercomputers High uptime due hot-pluggable components Totally generous purpose machines Easier to produ

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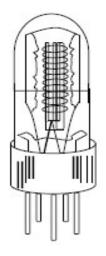
- □ ULSI: Ultra Large Scale Integration
- PVM: Parallel Virtual Machine

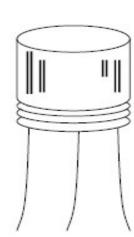
- SGI: Silicon Graphics Inc.
- PARAM: Parallel Machine

Generation of Computers



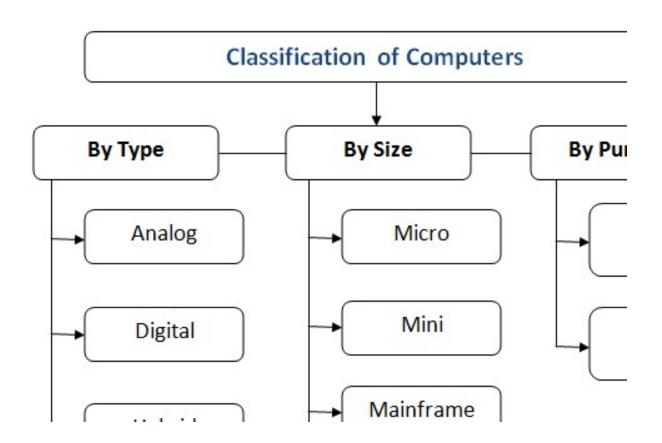
Electronic Devices Used in Computers of Different Generations







Computers can be classified as follows:





1. According to Type

i. Digital Computer

A computer that performs calculations and logical operations with quantities represented as digits, usually in the binary number system



ii. Analog Computer

An analog computer is a form of computer that uses continuous physical phenomena such as electrical, mechanical, or hydraulic quantities to model the problem being solved



iii. Hybrid Computer

Exhibit features of analog and digital computers



2. According to Size (capabilities)

i. Mini computer

A midsized computer. In size and power, minicomputers lie between workstations and mainframes.

ii. Micro computer

- **Desktop Computer**: A personal or micro-mini computer sufficient to fit on a desk
- Laptop Computer: A portable computer complete with an integrated screen and keyboard. It is generally smaller in size than a desktop computer and larger than a notebook computer
- Palmtop Computer/Digital Diary /Notebook /PDAs: A hand-sized computer. Palmtops have no keyboard but the screen serves both as an input and output device

iii. Mainframes

A very large and expensive computers capable of supporting hundreds, or even thousands, of users simultaneously









2. According to Size (capabilities)

iv. Super Computer

- The fastest and most powerful type of computer
- Supercomputers are very expensive and are employed for specialized applications that require immense amounts of mathematical calculations
- For example, weather forecasting requires a supercomputer



v. Workstations

- A terminal or desktop computer in a network
- In this context, workstation is just a generic term for a user's machine (client machine) in contrast to a "server" or "mainframe"



3. According to Purpose

i. General Purpose

General purpose computers are designed to perform a range of tasks e.g. Personal Computer



ii. Special Purpose

Specific purpose computers are designed to handle a specific problem or to perform a specific task

e.g. Computers that control aircraft and satellites



Types of Processor



- □ A processor, or "microprocessor," is a small chip that resides in computers and other electronic devices
- A processor performs arithmetical, logical, input/output (I/O) and other basic instructions that are passed from an operating system (OS)
- Types of processor depends on the architecture of processor

Type of Architecture	Features	
	 Large instruction set 	
CISC (Complex Instruction Set Computer)	 Variable-length instructions 	M
	 Variety of addressing modes 	p
	 Complex & expensive to produce 	С
	 Small instruction set 	

Types of Processor



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Type of Architecture	Features	
EDIC (Evolicitly	 Allows software to communicate explicitly to the processor when operations are parallel 	
EPIC (Explicitly Parallel Instruction Computing)	 Uses tighter coupling between the compiler and the processor 	Mo hi ar

Types of Processor



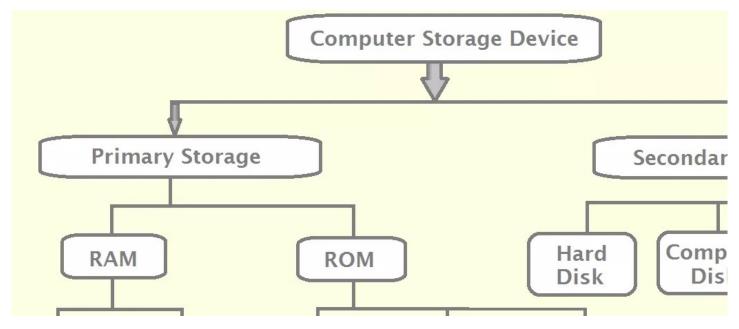
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A	Type of rchitecture	Features	
	Multi-Core Processor	 Processor chip has multiple cooler-running, more energy-efficient processing cores Improve overall performance by handling more work in parallel can share architectural 	h aı

Computer Storage



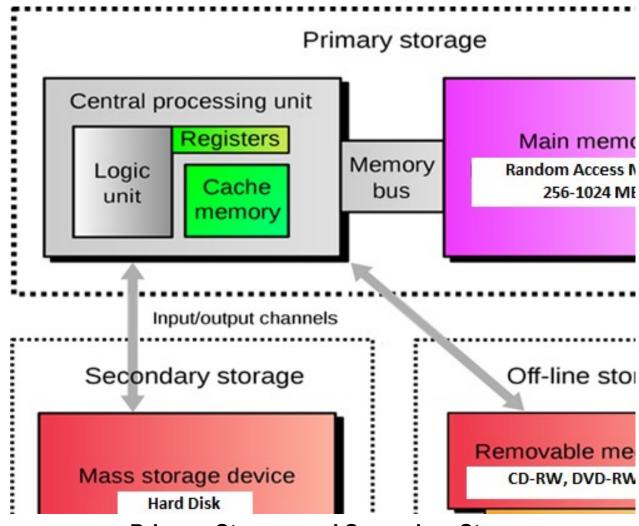
- A storage device is any computing hardware that is used for storing and extracting data
- It can hold and store information both temporarily and permanently, and can be internal or external to a computer, server or any similar computing device
- There are two main types of storage devices: Primary and Secondary



Types of Computer Storage

Computer Storage





Primary Storage and Secondary Storage

Primary Storage



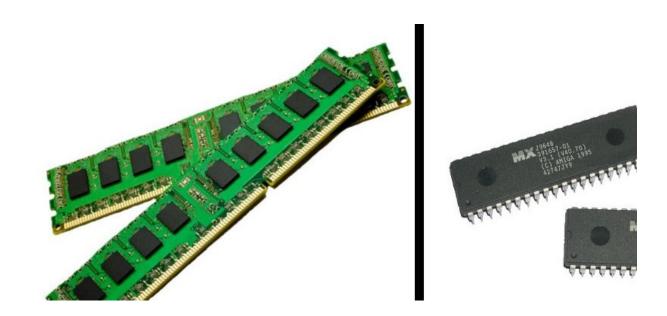
Primary storage (also known as main storage or memory) is the area in a computer in which data is stored for quick access by the computer's processor. It consists of Registers, Cache and Main Memory

 These are located inside the processor. Each regi word of data (often 32 or 64 bits Registers are the fastest of all forms of computer Registers ٦e It is an intermediate stage between ultra-fast regist slower main memory. Most actively used information in the main memory Cache the cache memory, which is faster, but of much less Main memory is directly or indirectly connected to the

Primary Storage



 Main Memory consists of Random Access Memory (RAM) and Read Only Memory (ROM)



Random Access Memory (RAM)



- \square It is a read/write (R/W) memory which is volatile
- This means when power is turned off, all the contents are destroyed
- It can be accessed randomly: that is, any byte of memory can be accessed without touching the preceding bytes
- RAM is the most common type of memory found in computers and other devices such as printers
- □ There are two basic types of RAM:
 - Dynamic RAM (DRAM)
 - Static RAM(SRAM)

Types of RAM



DRAM:

- DRAM needs to be refreshed thousands of times per second
- DRAM stores a bit of data using a transistor and capacitor pair, which together comprise a memory cell
- The capacitor holds a high or low charge (1 or 0, respectively), and the transistor acts as a switch that lets the control circuitry on the chip read the capacitor's state of charge or change it
- As this form of **memory is less expensive** to produce than SRAM, it is the predominant form of computer memory used in modern computers.

□ SRAM:

- SRAM does not need to be refreshed, which makes it faster, but it is more expensive than DRAM
- In SRAM, a bit of data is stored using the state of a flip-flop
- This form of RAM is more expensive to produce, but is generally faster and requires less power than DRAM and, in modern computers, is often used as cache memory for the CPU

Read Only Memory (ROM)



- ROM is non-volatile which means it retains the stored information even if power is turned off
- It is used to store programs that boot the computer and perform diagnostics
- □ Different types of ROM as follows:
 - Programmable ROM (PROM)
 - Erasable Programmable ROM (EPROM)
 - Electrically Erasable Programmable ROM (EEPROM)

Types of ROM



PROM (Programmable ROM):

- A PROM is a memory chip on which data can be written onto only once. Once a program is written onto a PROM chip, it remains there forever
- Unlike RAM, PROM retains its contents when the computer is turned off
- The difference between a PROM and a ROM is that a PROM is manufactured as blank memory and programmed later with a special device called PROM programmer or the PROM burner, whereas the ROM is programmed during manufacturing process.
- The process of programming a PROM is sometimes called burning a PROM

EPROM (Erasable Programmable ROM):

- An EPROM is a special type of PROM that can be erased by exposing it to ultraviolet light
- Once erased, it can be reprogrammed. An EPROM is similar to a PROM except that it requires ultraviolet radiation to be erased

Types of ROM



- EEPROM (Electrically Erasable Programmable ROM):
 - EEPROM is a special type of PROM that can be erased by exposing it to an electrical charge
 - Like other types of PROM, EEPROM retains its contents even when the power is turned off
 - Also, like other types of ROM, EEPROM is not as fast as RAM
 - EEPROM is similar to Flash Memory (sometimes called flash EEPROM)
 - The principal difference is that EEPROM requires data to be written or erased one byte at a time whereas flash memory allows data to be written or erased in blocks



- Secondary Storage is alternatively referred to as external memory, secondary memory or auxiliary storage
- Secondary storage device is a non-volatile device that holds data until it is deleted or overwritten

Primary storage

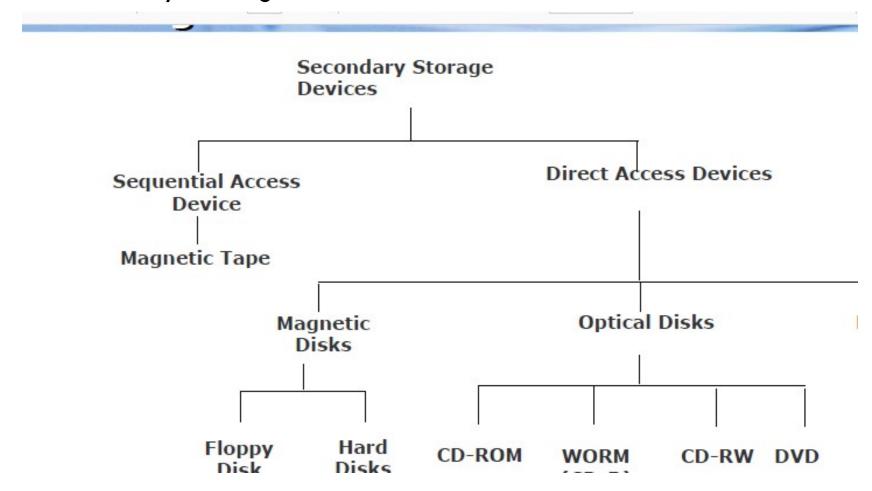
- Volatile
- Temporary
- It loses all of its contents when power to the system unit is shut off

Secondary storage

- Nonvolatile
- Permanent
- Writing: is the process of saving information
- Reading: is the process of accessing information



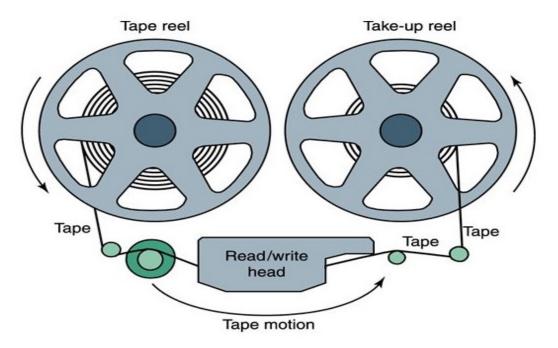
Secondary Storage devices are classified as follows:





Sequential-access Storage Devices

- Arrival at the desired storage location may be preceded by sequencing through other locations
- Data can only be retrieved in the same sequence in which it is stored
- Magnetic tape is a typical example of such a storage device

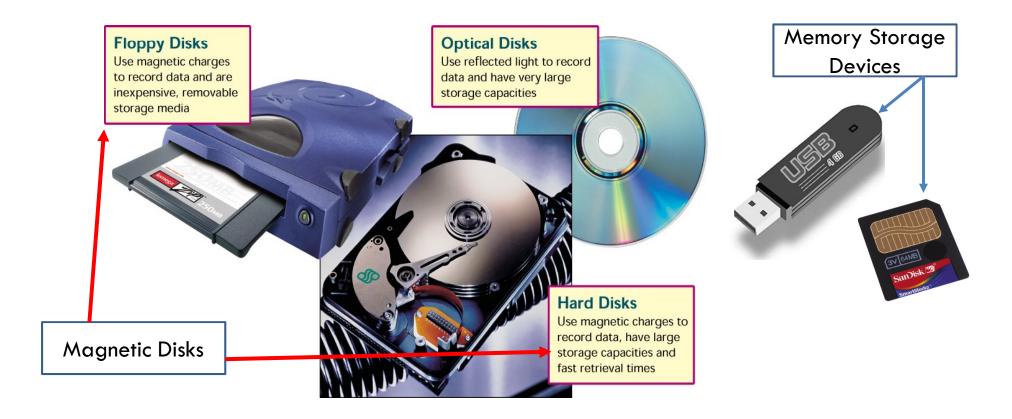


A magnetic tape storage mechanism



Direct-access Storage Devices

- Devices where any storage location may be selected and accessed at random
- Permits access to individual information in a more direct or immediate manner
- Magnetic and optical disks are typical examples of such a storage device



Number System



 A number system is a collection of various symbols which are called digits

- Two types of number systems are:
 - Non-positional Number Systems
 - Positional Number Systems

Non-positional Number System



Characteristics

- □ Use symbols such as I for 1, II for 2, III for 3 etc
- Each symbol represents the same value regardless of its position in the number
- The symbols are simply added to find out the value of a particular number

Difficulty

■ It is difficult to perform arithmetic with such a number system

Positional Number System



Characteristics

- Use only a few symbols called digits
- These symbols represent different values depending on the position they occupy in the number
- The value of each digit is determined by:
 - 1. The digit itself
 - 2. The position of the digit in the number
 - 3. The base of the number system (Base = total number of digits in the number system)
- The maximum value of a single digit is always equal to one less than the value of the base

Positional Number System



 There are four Positional Number Systems: Binary, Decimal, Octal and Hexadecimal

Binary	
0000	
0001	
0010	
0011	
0100	
0101	
0110	
0111	
1000	
1001	
1010	
1011	
1100	
1101	

Decimal	Octal
00	0
01	1
02	2
03	2 3
04	
05	4 5
06	6
07	7
08	10
09	11
10	12
11	13
12	14
12	15

Binary Number System



Characteristics:

- \blacksquare Has only 2 symbols or digits (0 and 1). Hence its base = 2
- The maximum value of a single digit is 1 (one less than the value of the base)
- Each position of a digit represents a specific power of the base (2)
- This number system is used in computers

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$$10101_2 = (1 \times 2^4) + (0 \times 2^3) + (1 \times 2^2) +$$

Decimal Number System



Characteristics:

- \blacksquare Has 10 symbols or digits (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,8, 9). Hence, its base = 10
- The maximum value of a single digit is 9 (one less than the value of the base)
- Each position of a digit represents a specific power of the base (10)
- We use this number system in our day-to-day life

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$$2586_{10} = (2 \times 10^3) + (5 \times 10^2) + (8 \times 10^3)$$

Octal Number System



Characteristics:

- \blacksquare Has total 8 symbols or digits (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7). Hence, its base = 8
- The maximum value of a single digit is 7 (one less than the value of the base)
- Each position of a digit represents a specific power of the base (8)
- Since there are only 8 digits, 3 bits ($2^3 = 8$) are sufficient to represent any octal number in binary
 - sufficient to represent any octal numb

$$2057 = (2 \times 8^3) + (0 \times 8^2) + (5$$

Hexadecimal Number System



Characteristics:

- Has total 16 symbols or digits (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,8, 9, A, B, C, D, E, F). Hence its base = 16
- The symbols A, B, C, D, E and F represent the decimal values 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 respectively
- The maximum value of a single digit is 15 (one less than the value of the base)
- Each position of a digit represents a specific power of the base (16)
- Since there are only 16 digits, 4 bits (2⁴ = 16) are sufficient to represent any sufficient to represent any he binary

$$1AF_{16} = (1 \times 16^2) + (A \times 16^1)$$



Decimal to Binary

Here is an example of using repeated division to convert 1792

decimal to binary:

Here is an example of using repeated division to

Decimal Number	Operation	Quotie
1792	÷ 2 =	89
896	÷ 2 =	44
448	÷ 2 =	22
224	÷ 2 =	1:
112	÷ 2 =	ŗ
56	÷ 2 =	2
28	÷ 2 =	1
14	÷ 2 =	

- □ Reverse the remainders, we get 11100000000
- \Box $(1792)_{10} = (11100000000)_2$



- Decimal to Octal
- Here is an example of using repeated division to convert 1792 decimal to octal:

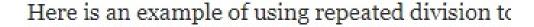
Decimal to Octal

Here is an example of using repeated division to

- □ Reverse the remainders, we get 3400
- \square $(1792)_{10} = (3400)_8$



- Decimal to Hexadecimal
- Here is an example of using repeated division to convert 1792 decimal to hexadecimal:



Decimal Number Operation Quotien

$$1792 \div 16 = 11$$

 $112 \div 16 =$

- Reverse the remainders, we get 700
- \square $(1792)_{10} = (700)_{16}$



The only addition to the algorithm when converting from decimal to hexadecimal is that a table must be used to obtain the hexadecimal digit if the remainder is greater than decimal 9.

be used to obtain the hexadecimal digit if the remainder is gr

Decimal:	0	1	2	3	4	5
Hexadecimal:	0	1	2	3	4	5

□ For example, 590 decimal converted to hex is:

Decimal Number	Operation	Quotient	Remainder	Hexadecimal Result
590	÷ 16 =	36	14	Е
36	÷ 16 =	2	4	4
2	÷ 16 =	0	2	2
0	done.			

- Reverse the remainders, we get 24E
- \Box (590)₁₀ = (24E)₁₆

Conversion from other to decimal number system



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Example

Example

 $2057 = (2 \times 8^3) + (0 \times 8^2) + (5 \times 8^3)$ sufficient to represent any he binary

$$1AF_{16} = (1 \times 16^2) + (A \times 16^1)$$

Conversion from Binary to octal



- □ **Step 1** − Divide the binary digits into groups of three (starting from the right).
- Step 2 Convert each group of three binary digits to one octal digit.
- Example

Binary Number - 10101₂

Calculating Octal Equivalent -

Step	Binary Number	Octal Number
1.	10101 ₂	010 101
2.	10101 ₂	2 ₈ 5 ₈
3.	10101 ₂	25 ₈

Binary Number $-10101_2 = Octal Number - 25_8$

Conversion from octal to Binary



- □ **Step 1** − Convert each octal digit to a 3 digit binary number (the octal digits may be treated as decimal for this conversion).
- Step 2 Combine all the resulting binary groups (of 3 digits each) into a single binary number.
- Example

Binary Number - 10101₂

Calculating Octal Equivalent -

Step	Octal Number	Binary Number
1.	25 ₈	2 ₁₀ 5 ₁₀
2.	25 ₈	010 ₂ 101 ₂
3.	25 ₈	0101012

Octal Number -25_8 = Binary Number -10101_2

Conversion from binary to Hexadecimal



- □ **Step 1** − Divide the binary digits into groups of four (starting from the right).
- Step 2 Convert each group of four binary digits to one hexadecimal symbol.
- Example

Binary Number - 10101₂

Calculating Octal Equivalent -

Step	Binary Number	Hexadecimal Number
1.	10101 ₂	0001 0101
2.	10101 ₂	1 ₁₀ 5 ₁₀
3.	10101 ₂	15 ₁₆

Binary Number – 10101_2 = Hexadecimal Number – 15_{16}

Conversion from Hexadecimal to binary



- □ **Step 1** − Convert each hexadecimal digit to a 4 digit binary number (the hexadecimal digits may be treated as decimal for this conversion).
- Step 2 Combine all the resulting binary groups (of 4 digits each) into a single binary number.
- Example

Step	Hexadecimal Number	Binary Number
1.	15 ₁₆	51 ₁₀₁₀
2.	15 ₁₆	0001201012
3.	15 ₁₆	000101012

Hexadecimal Number -15_{16} = Binary Number -10101_2

Octal to Hexadecimal



- When converting from octal to hexadecimal, it is often easier to first convert the octal number into binary and then from binary into hexadecimal.
- □ For example, to convert 345 octal into hex:(from the previous example)
- Octal =345Binary =011 100 101

Drop any leading zeros or pad with leading zeros to get groups of four binary digits (bits):

Binary 011100101 = 11100101

Then, look up the groups in a table to convert to hexadecimal digits.

 \square Binary = 1110 0101 Hexadecimal = E5 = E5 hex



Binary	
0000	
0001	
0010	
0011	
0100	
0101	
0110	
0111	
1000	
1001	
1010	
1011	
1100	
1101	

Decimal	Octal
00	0
01	1
02	2
03	2 3
04	4 5 6
05	5
06	6
07	7
08	10
09	11
10	12
11	13
12	14
13	15

Hexadecimal to Octal



- When converting from hexadecimal to octal, it is often easier to first convert the hexadecimal number into binary and then from binary into octal.
- For example, to convert A2DE hex into octal:
- Hexadecimal = AΕ
- =1010 0010 1101 1110 = 1010001011011110 Binary
- Add leading zeros or remove leading zeros to group into sets of three binary digits.
- Then, look up each group in a table:

Binary	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
Octal	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Binary =0010100010110111110 Octal =121336

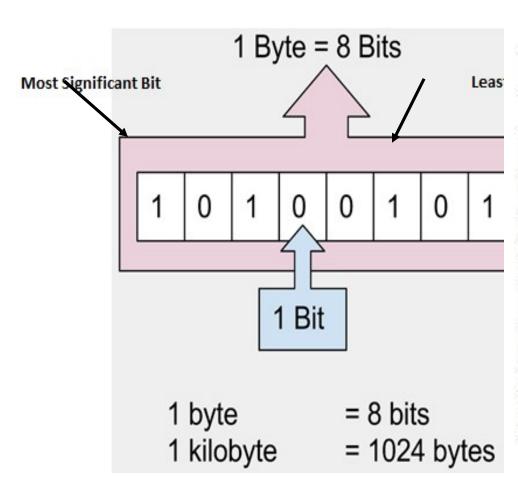
Data Representation



- Computer uses a fixed number of bits to represent a piece of data, which could be a number, a character, or others
- A n-bit storage location can represent up to 2ⁿ distinct entities
- For example, a 3-bit memory location can hold one of these eight binary patterns: 000, 001, 010, 011, 100, 101, 110, or 111
- Hence, it can represent at most 8 distinct entities. You could use them to represent:
 - □ Numbers 0 to 7
 - Characters 'A' to 'H'
 - 8 kinds of fruits like apple, orange, banana
 - or 8 kinds of animals like lion, tiger, etc.

Data Representation





Multiples of Bytes			
Unit (Symbol)	Value (SI)	Value (Binary	
Kilobyte (kB)	10 ³	2 ¹⁰	
Megabyte (MB)	10 ⁶	2 ²⁰	
Gigabyte (GB)	10 ⁹	2 ³⁰	
Terabyte (TB)	10 ¹²	2 ⁴⁰	
Petabyte (PB)	10 ¹⁵	2 ⁵⁰	
Exabyte (EB)	10 ¹⁸	2 ⁶⁰	
Zettabyte (ZB)	1021	2 ⁷⁰	
Yottabyte (YB)	1024	280	

Memory Units

Data Representation: Signed and Unsigned



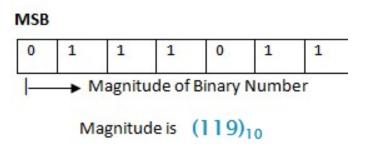
- Integers, for example, can be represented in 8-bit, 16-bit, 32-bit or 64-bit
- Besides bit-lengths, there are two representation schemes for integers:
 - 1. Unsigned Integers: can represent zero and positive integers
 - 2. Signed Integers: can represent zero, positive and negative integers

Data Representation: Unsigned



 Unsigned integers can represent zero and positive integers, but not negative integers.

The value of an unsigned integer is interpreted as "the magnitude of its underlying binary pattern".



Example 1:

Suppose n=8 and

binary pattern is 0100 0001B

Value of this unsigned integer is:

$$1 \times 2^{0} + 1 \times 2^{4} = 17D$$

Example 2:

Suppose n=16 and

binary pattern is **0001 0000 0000 1000B**

Value of this unsigned integer is:

Data Representation: Unsigned



An n-bit pattern can represent 2ⁿ distinct integers. An n-bit unsigned integer can represent integers from 0 to (2ⁿ)-1, as tabulated below:

n	Minimum	Maximum
8	0	(2^8)-1 (=255)
16	0	(2^16)-1 (=65,535)
32	0	(2^32)-1 (=4,294,967,295)
64	0	(2^64)-1 (=18,446,744,073,709,551,615)

• An 8-bit unsigned integer has a range of 0 to 255

Maximum value = 255
128+64+32+16+8+4+2+1 = 255

128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

■ Minimum value = 0

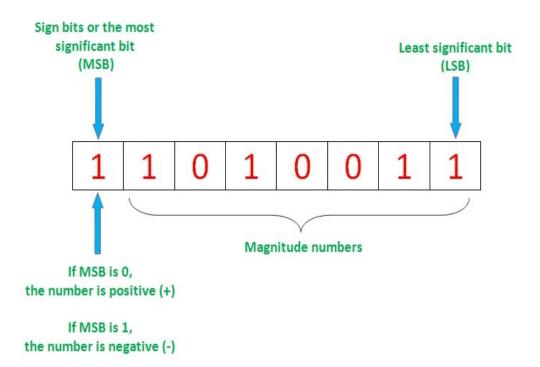
128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Data Representation: Signed

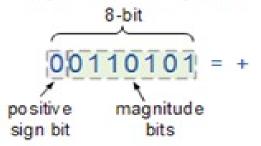


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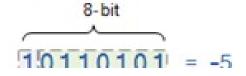
- The Most-significant Bit (MSB) is the sign bit, with value of 0 representing positive integer and 1 representing negative integer.
- The remaining n-1 bits represents the magnitude (absolute value) of the integer.
- The absolute value of the integer is interpreted as "the magnitude of the (n-1)bit binary pattern".



Positive Signed Binary Nur



Negative Signed Binary Nu



Data Representation: Signed



Example 1:

Suppose n=8 and binary representation is

0 100 0001B

Sign bit is $0 \Rightarrow$ positive

Absolute value is $100\ 0001B = 65D$

Hence, the integer is +65D

Example 2:

Suppose n=8 and binary representation is 1 000 0001B

Sign bit is $1 \Rightarrow$ negative

Absolute value is 000 0001B = 1D

Hence, the integer is -1D

Example 3:

Suppose n=8 and binary representation is **0 000 0000B**

Sign bit is $0 \Rightarrow$ positive

Absolute value is 000 0000B = 0D

Hence, the integer is +0D

Example 4:

Suppose n=8 and binary representation is **1 000 0000B**

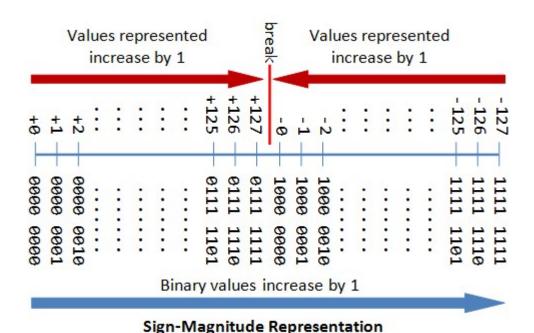
Sign bit is $1 \Rightarrow$ negative

Absolute value is 000 0000B = 0D

Hence, the integer is -0D

Data Representation: Signed





The drawbacks of sign-magnitude representation are:

- 1. There are two representations (0000 0000B and 1000 0000B) for the number zero, which could lead to inefficiency and confusion.
- 2. Positive and negative integers need to be processed separately.

Complement of a number



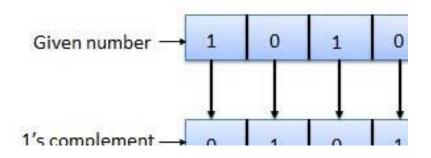
 Complements are used in the digital computers in order to simplify the subtraction operation and for the logical manipulations

Binary system complements

 \blacksquare As the binary system has base r=2. So the two types of complements for the binary system are 2's complement and 1's complement

□ 1's complement

■ The 1's complement of a number is found by changing all 1's to 0's and all 0's to 1's. Example of 1's Complement is as follows:

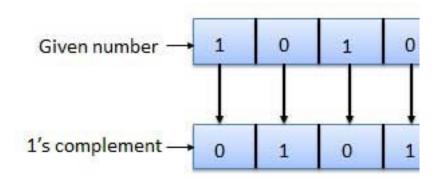


Complement of a number

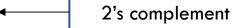


2's complement

- The 2's complement of binary number is obtained by adding 1 to the Least Significant Bit (LSB) of 1's complement of the number.
- 2's complement = 1's complement + 1
- Example of 2's Complement is as follows:



Add 1 +



Data Representation: Floating point



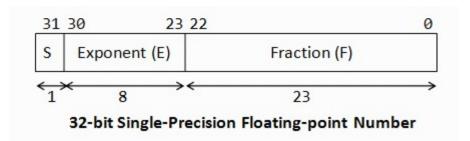
- In computers, floating-point numbers are represented in scientific notation of fraction (F) and exponent (E) with a radix of 2, in the form of F×2^E
- □ Both E and F can be positive as well as negative
- Modern computers adopt IEEE 754 standard for representing floating-point numbers
- There are two representation schemes:
 - 32-bit single-precision
 - 64-bit double-precision

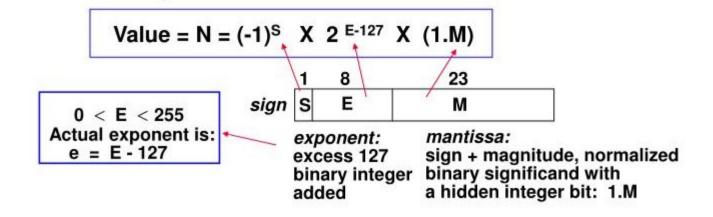
Data Representation: Floating point



32-bit Single-Precision Floating-Point Numbers

- The most significant bit is the sign bit (S), with 0 for positive numbers and 1 for negative numbers
- The following 8 bits represent exponent (E)
- The remaining 23 bits represents fraction (F) / Mantissa (M)





Examples of Single-Precision Floating-Point Numbers



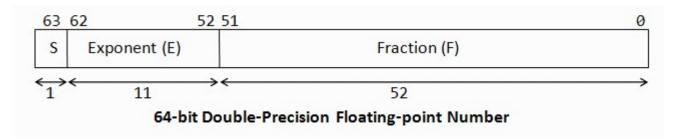
- What is the decimal value of this Single Precisic 011111100010000000000000000000000000
- Solution:
 - ♦ Sign = 1 is negative
 - \Rightarrow Exponent = $(011111100)_2 = 124$, E bias = 124 127
 - \Rightarrow Significand = (1.0100 ... 0)₂ = 1 + 2⁻² = 1.25 (1. is imp
 - \Rightarrow Value in decimal = -1.25 × 2⁻³ = -0.15625
- What is the decimal value of?
 - 0000100100110001100000000000000000
- Solution:

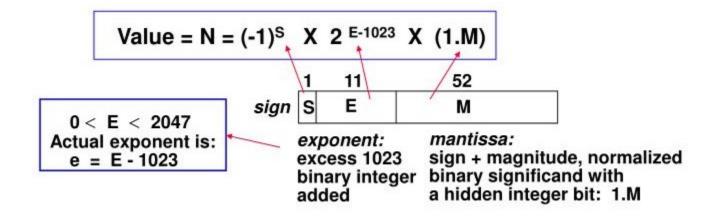
Data Representation: Floating point



In 64-bit Double-Precision Floating-Point Numbers

- The most significant bit is the sign bit (S), with 0 for positive numbers and 1 for negative numbers
- The following 11 bits represent exponent (E)
- The remaining 52 bits represents fraction (F) / Mantissa (M)

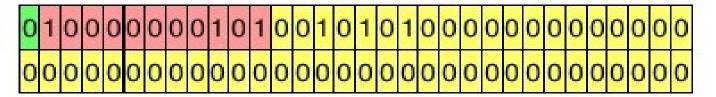




Examples of Double-Precision Floating-Point Numbers



What is the decimal value of this Double Precis



- Solution:
 - ♦ Value of exponent = (10000000101)₂ Bias = 1029
 - \Rightarrow Value of double float = $(1.00101010 \dots 0)_2 \times 2^6 (1.18)_2 \times (1.001010.10 \dots 0)_2 \times 2^6 \times (1.18)_2 \times (1.18$
- What is the decimal value of ?
 - 1011111110001000000000000000000000

Data Representation: char



- In computer memory, character are "encoded" (or "represented") using a chosen "character encoding schemes"
- It is important to note that the representation scheme must be known before a binary pattern can be interpreted
- e.g. the 8-bit pattern "0100 0010B" could represent anything under the sun known only to the person encoded it
- □ The most commonly-used character encoding schemes are:
 - 7-bit ASCII
 - Unicode

ASCII



- □ It is an acronym for the American Standard Code for Information Interchange
- □ It is a standard **seven-bit code** that was first proposed by the American National Standards Institute or ANSI in 1963, and finalized in 1968 as ANSI Standard X3.4
- □ In the **ASCII character set**, each binary value between 0 and 127 represents a specific character
- Most computers extend the ASCII character set to use the full range of 256 characters available in a byte

ASCII



- An uppercase "A," for example, is represented by the decimal number 65."
- By looking at the ASCII table, you can clearly see a one-to-one correspondence between each character and the ASCII code used.

Name	Hex	Dec	
. (period)	2E	046	
0	30	048	
1	31	049	
2	32	050	
3	33	051	
4	34	052	
5	35	053	
6	36	054	
7	37	055	
8	38	056	
9	39	057	

Name	Hex	Dec
А	41	065
В	42	066
С	43	067
D	44	068
Е	45	069
F	46	070
G	47	071
Н	48	072
1	49	073
J	4Α	074
К	4B	075

Name	Нех	Dec
L	4C	076
М	4D	077
N	4E	078
0	4F	079
Р	50	080
Q	51	081
R	52	802
S	53	083
Т	54	084
U	55	085
٧	56	086

Name	Нех	Dec
W	57	087
Х	58	088
Υ	59	089
Z	5A	090

- For example, 32 is the ASCII code for a space
- Code numbers
- 65 to 90 represents 'A' to 'Z'
- 97 to 122 represents 'a' to 'z'
- 48 to 57 represents '0' to '9'

ASCII - Binary Character Table (Sample) _____

Letter	ASCII Code	Binary	Letter	ASCII
a	097	01100001	Α	06
h	098	01100010	R	06

Unicode



- In the pre-Unicode environment, we had 8-bit characters, which limited us to a maximum limit of 256 characters
- No single encoding could contain enough characters to cover all the languages
- Many encoding schemes are in conflict of each other, i.e., the same code number is assigned to different characters
- Unicode aims to provide a standard character encoding scheme, which is universal, efficient, uniform and unambiguous.
- Unicode is a computing industry standard for the consistent encoding, representation and handling of text expressed in most of the world's writing systems
- □ Unicode provides a unique number for every character:
 - no matter what the platform
 - no matter what the program
 - no matter what the language

Unicode



Where is Unicode Used?

- The Unicode standards has been adopted by many software and hardware vendors
 - Most OSs support Unicode
 - Unicode is required for international document and data interchange
 - Programming languages such as Java, C#, Perl, Python
 - Markup Languages such as XML, HTML, XHTML, JavaScript

Unicode Transformation Format (UTF)

- An algorithmic mapping from virtually every Unicode code point to a unique byte sequence
- UTF Encodings Types
 - UTF-8
 - UTF-16
 - UTF-32

Data Representation: String



- Being able to represent individual characters in specified memory locations is very useful, but it is not very convenient for the way we normally want to work with text information.
- Typically, when we work with text, we work with "strings" of characters.
- The obvious way to represent a string in memory is as a sequence of ASCII codes and this is exactly what is done.

Endianess (or byte-order):

- For a multi-byte character, you need to take care of the order of the bytes in storage.
- In big endian, the most significant byte is stored at the memory location with the lowest address (big byte first).
- In little endian, the most significant byte is stored at the memory location with the highest address (little byte first).

Software



- Software refers to a collection of programs
- ☐ There are two types of software:
 - 1. System Software
 - 2. Application Software
- System software are designed to control the operation and extend the processing capability of a computer system
 - e.g. Operating System, Compiler, Assembler, Linker, Loader
- Application software are designed to solve a specific problem or to do a specific task
 - e.g. MS Word, Paint, Web Browsers (like Chrome, Mozilla Firefox etc.)



- System Software are programs that are designed specifically for running the hardware on a personal computer
- This means that system software is designed to communicate with the internal parts of your computer such as the hard drive, RAM, ROM, cache, microprocessors, etc. so that the user doesn't have to.
- System software can be separated into two different categories, Utility Programs and Operating Systems
 - The OS boots up the computer and makes sure everything is operational.
 - Utility programs perform a very specific task, to either enhance or manage your computer, for example your virus protection program



HARDWARE

(Physical devices/components of the computer system)

SYSTEM SOFTWARE

(Software that constitute the operating and programming environment of the computer system)

APPLICATION SOFTWARE

(Software that do a specific task or solve a specific pro

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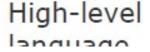
Editor:

- A program that enables you to create and edit text files
- **Source Code Editor** is an standalone application required for writing or editing the source code. A source code editor checks for syntaxes while user writes a code and immediately warns of syntax errors.
- **Text Editor** is a simple application required for editing plain text such as notepad.



Compiler:

- It is a program which translates a high level language program into a machine language program.
- A compiler is more intelligent than an assembler. It checks all kinds of limits, ranges, errors etc.







Assembler:

- A computer will not understand any program written in a language,
 other than its machine language
- The programs written in other languages must be translated into the machine language
- Such translation is performed with the help of software
- A program which translates an assembly language program into a machine language program is called an assembler

of a computer



Linker:

- In high level languages, some built in header files or libraries are stored
- These libraries are predefined and these contain basic functions which are essential for executing the program
- These functions are linked to the libraries by a program called Linker
- If linker does not find a library of a function then it informs to compiler and then compiler generates an error
- The compiler automatically invokes the linker as the last step in compiling a program



Loader:

- Loader is a program that loads machine codes of a program into the system memory
- In Computing, a loader is the part of an Operating System that is responsible for loading programs
- It is one of the essential stages in the process of starting a program, because it places programs into memory and prepares them for execution
- Loading a program involves reading the contents of executable file into memory
- Once loading is complete, the operating system starts the program by passing control to the loaded program code

Steps to execute a High Level Program



Example: C Program Execution

