

1 Number systems

Binary:

0000

0001

0010

0011

...

Sign magnitude binary: most significant bit is the magnitude, 0 = + 1 = -.

Thus, 6 = 0110, -6 = 1110.

However, addition doesn't work here, adding these two would get 10001 \neq 17. Instead, we have the 2's complement, where the most significant bit is a negative number.

Then, $-6 = 1010 - 8 + 2 = 6$.

To take the two's complement, flip all the bits and add one.

6 = 0110, so $-6 = 1001 + 1 = 1010$.

0110

1010

Extending a number if its unsigned would be

1111 (15) = 00001111.

But signed, 1111 (-1) = 11111111 (-1).

To extend a signed number, look at the most significant bit. Put zeros in front, if its a 1 put ones in front.