Decimal Representation

Can interpret decimal number 4705 as:

$$4 \times 10^3 + 7 \times 10^2 + 0 \times 10^1 + 5 \times 10^0$$

- The base or radix is 10
 Digits 0 9
- Place values:

$$\cdots$$
 1000 100 10 1 \cdots 10³ 10² 10¹ 10⁰

- Write number as 4705₁₀
 - Note use of subscript to denote base

Binary Representation

• In a similar way, can interpret binary number 1011 as:

$$1 \times 2^3 + 0 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0$$

- The base or radix is 2
 Digits 0 and 1
- Place values:

$$\cdots$$
 8 4 2 1 \cdots 2^3 2^2 2^1 2^0

Write number as 1011₂
 (= 11₁₀)

Hexadecimal Representation

Can interpret hexadecimal number 3AF1 as:

$$3\times 16^3 + 10\times 16^2 + 15\times 16^1 + 1\times 16^0$$

- The base or radix is 16
 Digits 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F
- Place values:

$$\cdots$$
 4096 256 16 1 \cdots 16³ 16² 16¹ 16⁰

Write number as 3AF1₁₆
 (= 15089₁₀)

Binary to Hexadecimal

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

- Idea: Collect bits into groups of four starting from right to left
- "pad" out left-hand side with 0's if necessary
- Convert each group of four bits into its equivalent hexadecimal representation (given in table above)

Binary to Hexadecimal

• Example: Convert 10111111000101001₂ to Hex:

1011	1110	0010	10012
В	E	2	9 ₁₆

• Example: Convert 101111010111002 to Hex:

00 10	1111	0101	1100
2	F	5	C ₁₆

Hexadecimal to Binary

- Reverse the previous process
- Convert each hex digit into equivalent 4-bit binary representation
- Example: Convert AD5₁₆ to Binary:

Α	D	5
1010	1101	01012

Bits in Bytes in Words

Values that we normally treat as atomic can be viewed as bits, e.g.

- char = 1 byte = 8 bits ('a' is 01100001)
- short = 2 bytes = 16 bits (42 is 000000000101010)
- int = 4 bytes = 32 bits (42 is 0000000000...0000101010)
- double = 8 bytes = 64 bits

The above are common sizes and don't apply on all hardware e.g. sizeof(int) might be 2, 4 or 8.

C provides a set of operators that act bit-by-bit on pairs of bytes.

E.g. (10101010 & 11110000) == 10100000 (bitwise AND)

C bitwise operators: & | ^ ~ << >

Binary Constants

Literal numbers in decimal, hexadecimal, octal, binary. In hexadecimal, each digit represents 4 bits

	0100	1000	1111	1010	1011	1100	1001	0111
0x	4	8	F	Α	В	C	9	7

In octal, each digit represents 3 bits

In binary, each digit represents 1 bit

0b010010001111101010111110010010111