

# Let's get started !

Q: How do people and computers represent numbers ?

## Base 10

$$238 = 2 \cdot 10^2 + 3 \cdot 10^1 + 8 \cdot 10^0$$

$$m = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} a_i 10^i$$

$$= (a_{k-1} \ a_{k-2} \ \dots \ a_2 \ a_1 \ a_0)_{\text{ten}}$$

## Base 2

$$\begin{aligned} 11010 &\equiv 1 \cdot 2^4 + 1 \cdot 2^3 + 0 \cdot 2^2 \\ &\quad + 1 \cdot 2^1 + 0 \cdot 2^0 \\ &= 16 + 8 + 2 = 26 \end{aligned}$$

$$m = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i 2^i$$

$$= (b_{n-1} b_{n-2} \dots b_2 b_1 b_0)_{\text{two}}$$

# Counting in binary

decimal

0

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

⋮

binary

0

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1 0

1 1

1 0 0

1 0 1

1 1 0

1 1 1

1 0 0 0

⋮

binary

0 0 0 0

0 0 0 1

0 0 1 0

0 0 1 1

0 1 0 0

0 1 0 1


0 1 1 0

0 1 1 1

1 0 0 0

To convert from binary to decimal, you need to know the powers of 2.

$n$	$2^n$
0	1
1	2
2	4
3	8
4	16
5	32
6	64
7	128
8	256
9	512
10	1024
$\vdots$	$\vdots$



memorize

How can we convert  $m$  from decimal to binary?

Idea 1:

Find the biggest power of two less than or equal to  $m$ , and subtract it from  $m$ .

Repeat until done.

(Requires memorizing powers of 2.)

How can we convert **m** from decimal to binary?

Idea 2: Consider familiar idea from base 10:

$$238 = 230 + 8$$

$$m = (m / 10) \times 10 + m \% 10$$

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integer division

Same idea works in base 2.

$$m = (m / 2) \times 2 + m \% 2$$

Example:

$$m = (10011)_{\text{two}}$$

$$m / 2 = 1001$$

$$m \% 2 = 1$$



$$m = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} b_i 2^i$$

$$= (b_{n-1} b_{n-2} \dots b_2 b_1 b_0)_{\text{two}}$$

$$m/2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} b_i 2^{i-1}$$

$$= (b_{n-1} b_{n-2} \dots b_2 b_1)_{\text{two}}$$

$$m \% 2 = b_0$$

# Algorithm:

given  $m$  in decimal, convert it to binary.

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i ← 0
while m > 0 {
    bi ← m % 2
    m ← m / 2
    i ← i + 1
}
```

# Example

$$m = 241 = (11110001)_{\text{two}}$$

<u>m</u>	<u>b<sub>i</sub></u>
241	
$= 120 \times 2 + 1$	
60	0
30	0
15	0
7	1
3	1
1	1
0	1

m

(1111 0001)<sub>two</sub>

1111 000

1111 00

1111 0

1111

111

11

1

bi

1

0

0

0

↓

1

1

1

Q: How to add two numbers in binary ?

Addition (base 10)

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{101} \quad \leftarrow \text{carry} \\ 2343 \\ + 5819 \\ \hline 8162 \end{array}$$

You need to memorize single digit sums to do this.

# Addition (base 2)

0 0 1 1 0 1 0	
0 0 0 1 1 0 1 0	← 26
0 0 0 1 1 0 1 1	← 27
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0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1	← 53

# Subtraction (base 10)

$$\begin{array}{r} 2343 \\ - 5819 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

ASIDE: the grade school algorithm doesn't work when the bigger number is on the bottom. To take the difference using the grade school algorithm, you put the bigger number on top and take the negative of the result.

$$a - b$$

$$= a + (-b)$$

Next class we will learn how to represent *negative numbers in binary* which allows us to perform this sum.