

## DIGITAL LOGIC SYSTEMS : ASSIGNMENT 3

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### Exercise 1.

Suggest an algorithm for computing the binary representation of a number  $x \in [0, 2^k - 1]$  using  $k$ -bit strings. Your algorithm should compute the representation from the LSB to the MSB.

### Solution 1.

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**Algorithm 1** An algorithm for computing the binary representation of a number using  $k$ -bit strings.

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1: Let  $i = 0$ 
2: Let  $B[(k - 1) : 0] = 0$ 
3: while  $i < k$  do
4:    $B[i] = (x \% 2)$ 
5:    $x = \left\lfloor \frac{x}{2} \right\rfloor$ 
6:    $i++$ 
7: return  $B[(k - 1) : 0]$ 
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### Exercise 2.

This question deals with the conversion of a hexadecimal string to a binary string such that both strings represent the same natural number. Let  $H[k - 1 : 0]$  denote a  $k$ -digit hexadecimal string. Let  $X_H[n - 1 : 0]$  denote an  $n$ -bit binary string. Answer the following questions.

1. Define the conversion, i.e., define the binary string  $X_H$  as a function of the hexadecimal string  $H$ .
2. Let  $h$  denote the number represented by the hexadecimal string  $H$ . Prove that

$$\langle X_H \rangle = h$$

**Solution 2.**

1. Let hex – to – bin( $h$ ) be a function defined as

$$\text{hex – to – bin}(h) = \begin{cases} 0000 & ; & h = 0 \\ 0001 & ; & h = 1 \\ 0010 & ; & h = 2 \\ 0011 & ; & h = 3 \\ 0100 & ; & h = 4 \\ 0101 & ; & h = 5 \\ 0110 & ; & h = 6 \\ 0111 & ; & h = 7 \\ 1000 & ; & h = 8 \\ 1001 & ; & h = 9 \\ 1010 & ; & h = A \\ 1011 & ; & h = B \\ 1100 & ; & h = C \\ 1101 & ; & h = D \\ 1110 & ; & h = E \\ 1111 & ; & h = F \end{cases}$$

Assuming that  $X_H$  and  $H$  represent the same number,

$$X_H [(n-1) : (n-4)] = \text{hex – to – bin} (H[k-1])$$

2.  $\langle X_H \rangle$  is the number represented by  $X_H$ . By definition,  $h$  is the number represented by  $H$ .  
Therefore, by the initial assumptions,  $X_H$  and  $H$  represent the same number.