# **Storing Information Digitally**

Read: Sections 2.4, 3.1, 3.2

## **Binary Basics**:

- Why binary numbers?
  - In a digital computer, all information is represented using the binary number system.
  - It is easy to build fast electronic circuits that operate on the basis of two states: on and off.
- Number systems:
  - Labeling the columns, representing nine hundred forty-two in base 10 (decimal):

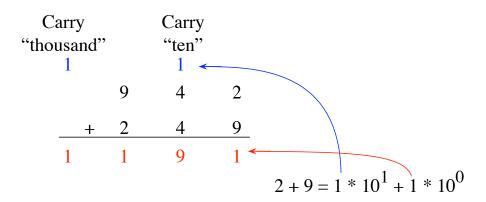
Hundreds	Tens	Units
9	4	2
$10^{2}$	$10^{1}$	$10^{0}$
$9*10^{2}$	$4 * 10^{1}$	$2*10^{0}$

## Binary Basics (continued):

- Range of possible values:
  - For a three-digit number, the maximum is:

Hundreds	Tens	Units
9	9	9
$10^{2}$	$10^{1}$	$10^{0}$
$9*10^{2}$	9 * 101	9 * 100

- One less than one thousand  $(10^3)$ .
- In general, for an N-digit number, the range is 0 to  $10^N$  1.
- Addition:



## Binary Basics (continued):

• Let's consider an 8 digit binary number: 1010 1011

• Label the columns starting at the right in increasing powers of 2:

1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	
2 7	2 6	2 5	2 4	2 3	2 2	2 1	2 0	
128's	64's	32's	16's	8's	4's	2's	1's	

• To convert to decimal, add the decimal values for each place that has a 1:

$$= 128 + 32 + 8 + 2 + 1 = 171_{\text{ten}}$$
.

- Range of an N-digit, binary number: 0 .. 2<sup>N</sup> 1
- For an 8-digit number, this would be  $0000\ 0000_{two}$  to  $1111\ 1111_{two}$ , or  $0\ ...\ 2^8$  -1, or  $0_{ten}$  to  $255_{ten}$ .

## • <u>Terminology</u>:

- Each binary digit is called a bit.
- Eight binary digits make up a *byte*.
- Four binary digits thus make a *nibble* (really! :-)
- The left most bit is called the *most significant bit*, or *MSB*.
- The right most bit is called the <u>least significant bit</u>, or <u>LSB</u>.

#### **Binary Addition**:

#### Binary Addition, again:

#### **Overflow:**

- Computing devices can only represent binary numbers up to a fixed number of bits.
  - Machines are finite.
- This introduces the problem of *overflow*.
- Binary Addition if we only have 8 bits (1 byte) to hold each number:

- We can "solve" the problem by using more than 8 bits.
  - Most systems use (at least) 32 bits, 4 bytes, to represent an integer.
    - The MIPS architecture that we will be using does this.
  - Can still have an overflow problem:

## **Signed and Unsigned Numbers**:

- Sometimes we only want to represent positive numbers and zero.
  - Best example: Addresses located in the computer's memory.
- Other times, we need to represent both positive and negative numbers.
- The basic idea: Use one bit to represent the sign.
  - Want to represent a range of positive numbers, and a range of negative numbers, and zero.
- Three methods have been used for representing negative numbers:
  - Sign and Magnitude.
  - One's Complement.
  - Two's Complement.
- None of these is "perfect".

# Signed and Unsigned Numbers (continued):

# • Sign and Magnitude:

- Use the left most bit to signal whether the number is positive or negative.
- Left most bit is then the *sign bit*.
- Range:  $-(2^{N-1}-1) ... + (2^{N-1}-1)$
- Problems:
  - Need separate electronic circuits for manipulating the sign bits.
  - Two distinct representations of zero.
    - Causes problems with comparing a number to zero.
      - Results in two comparisons.
      - Comparison to zero happens a lot!!

8-bit, Sign and Magnitude Values

Positive Numbers	Nagatiya numbara
Fositive Numbers	Negative numbers
$0000\ 0000 = 0_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 0000 = -0_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 0001 = 1_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 0001 = -1_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 0010 = 2_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 0010 = -2_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 0011 = 3_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 0011 = -3_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 0100 = 4_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 0100 = -4_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 0101 = 5_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 0101 = -5_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 0110 = 6_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 0110 = -6_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 0111 = 7_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 0111 = -7_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 1000 = 8_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 1000 = -8_{\text{ten}}$
$0000\ 1001 = 9_{\text{ten}}$	$1000\ 1001 = -9_{\text{ten}}$
$0111\ 1111 = 127_{ten}$	$1111\ 1111 = -127_{\text{ten}}$

$$0111 1111 = 127$$
+ 1
1000 0000 = ???

# <u>Signed and Unsigned Numbers</u> (continued):

# • One's Complement:

- Any pattern whose sign bit is 1 represents a negative value.
- Change (complement) every 1 to 0 and every 0 to 1.
- Range:  $-(2^{N-1}-1) ... + (2^{N-1}-1)$ 
  - Same as Sign and Magnitude.
- Advantage over Sign and Magnitude:
  - Easier to design circuits which perform arithmetic on numbers represented in this form.
  - Especially: easy to convert a positive number to a negative number (and vice versa).

#### • Problem:

• Two distinct representations of zero (still!).

8-bit, One's Complement Values

Positive Numbers	Negative numbers
$00000000 = 0_{\text{ten}}$	$111111111 = -0_{\text{ten}}$
$00000001 = 1_{\text{ten}}$	$111111110 = -1_{\text{ten}}$
$00000010 = 2_{\text{ten}}$	$11111101 = -2_{\text{ten}}$
$00000011 = 3_{\text{ten}}$	$11111100 = -3_{\text{ten}}$
$00000100 = 4_{\text{ten}}$	$11111011 = -4_{\text{ten}}$
$00000101 = 5_{\text{ten}}$	$11111010 = -5_{\text{ten}}$
$00000110 = 6_{\text{ten}}$	$11111001 = -6_{\text{ten}}$
$00000111 = 7_{\text{ten}}$	$11111000 = -7_{\text{ten}}$
$00001000 = 8_{\text{ten}}$	$11110111 = -8_{\text{ten}}$
$00001001 = 9_{\text{ten}}$	$11110110 = -9_{\text{ten}}$
•••	•••
$011111111 = 127_{\text{ten}}$	$10000000 = -127_{\text{ten}}$

## Signed and Unsigned Numbers (continued):

#### • Two's Complement:

- To switch between the positive and negative, there are two steps:
  - Invert: each 1 to a 0 and each 0 to a 1,
  - Then, add 1 to get the final value.
- E.g.,

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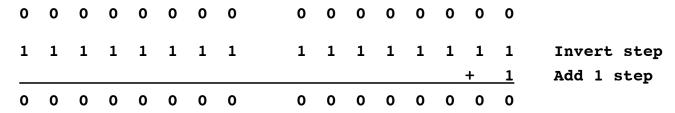
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$00000011 = 3_{\text{ten}}$	$11111101 = -3_{\text{ten}}$
$00000100 = 4_{\text{ten}}$	$11111100 = -4_{\text{ten}}$
$00000101 = 5_{\text{ten}}$	$11111011 = -5_{\text{ten}}$
$00000110 = 6_{\text{ten}}$	$11111010 = -6_{\text{ten}}$
$00000111 = 7_{\text{ten}}$	$11111001 = -7_{\text{ten}}$
$00001000 = 8_{\text{ten}}$	$11111000 = -8_{\text{ten}}$
$00001001 = 9_{\text{ten}}$	$11110111 = -9_{\text{ten}}$
01111111 = 127 <sub>ten</sub>	$10000000 = -128_{\text{ten}}$

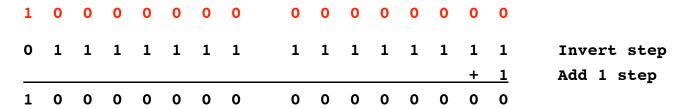
• Same as One's Complement, but you add an extra one (hence, *Two's* Complement).

# Signed and Unsigned Numbers (continued):

• Only one zero. Apply Two's Complement to zero (16-bit version shown):



- We "lost" the 1 that carried out past the left side in that addition (did you notice?).
- Solves the problem of two representations of zero.
- However, the negative value 10000000 00000000 does not have an equivalent positive representation:



- Range is therefore:  $-(2^{N-1}) .. + (2^{N-1} 1)$ 
  - For 8-bit values: -128<sub>ten</sub> .. +127<sub>ten</sub>
  - For 16-bit values: -32,768<sub>ten</sub> .. +32,767<sub>ten</sub>
  - For 32-bit values: -2,147,483,648<sub>ten</sub> .. +2,147,483,647<sub>ten</sub>

## **Sign Extension**:

- Often you will have a number that needs to be padded out to a larger number of bits. For example, an 8-bit value to place in a 16-bit storage location; or, a 16-bit value in a 32-bit location; etc.
- Put the number in the least significant bits of the location and pad to the left by replicating the <u>sign bit</u>.
- For example, starting with an 8-bit representation of  $-6_{ten}$ :

- Analogously for positive numbers: extend the zero on the left.
- For example, starting with a 16-bit representation of 312<sub>ten</sub>:

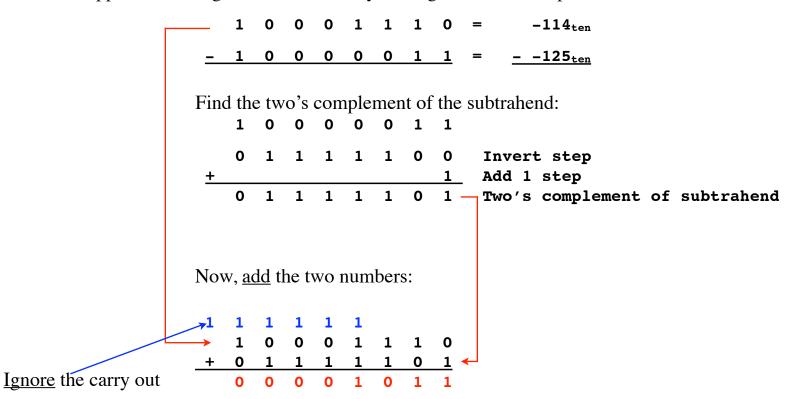
# **Binary Arithmetic**:

• Addition:

• Subtraction:

#### Binary Arithmetic (continued):

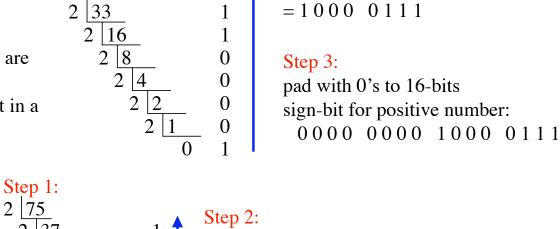
• Easier approach: Change the subtrahend by finding its Two's Complement, then Add the two values:



# **Converting Decimal to Binary:**

- Successive Division:
  - Keep dividing by two.
  - The remainders form the binary result.
  - Note the order in which the remainders are collected!
  - (16-bit example, since 135<sub>ten</sub> will not fit in a signed 8-bit number):

For a negative number, find its positive representation, then find its Two's Complement:



Step 2:
= 1 0 0 1 0 1 1
Step 3:
pad to 16-bits with zero
sign-bit for positive number:
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 1
Step 4:
Two's complement to get
negative number:
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 1 0 0

+ 1
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 0 1 0 1

Step 2:

Step 1:

2 | 135

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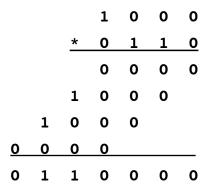
## **Converting Decimal to Binary** (continued):

- <u>Successive Subtraction</u>: Subtract powers of two (16-bit example):
  - Convert 135<sub>ten</sub> to binary:
  - For 16-bit, signed value, we start with  $2^{14} = 16,384$ :

```
subtract 16,384
135 we can't 0
                 subtract 8,192
135 we can't 0
135 we can't 0
                 subtract 4,096
                 subtract 2,048
135 we can't 0
135 we can't 0
                 subtract 1,024
135 we can't 0
                 subtract 512
135 we can't 0
                 subtract 256
                 subtract 128 (remainder 7)
135 we can 1
  7 we can't 0
                 subtract 64
  7 we can't 0
                 subtract 32
  7 we can't 0
                 subtract 16
                                            =000000000010000111
  7 we can't 0
                 subtract 8
  7 we can 1
                subtract 4 (remainder 3)
                 subtract 2 (remainder 1)
  3 we can 1
  1 we can 1 \downarrow subtract 1 (remainder 0)
```

# **Multiplication in Binary**:

• 4-bit example:



- Note: we ended up with more than a 4-bit answer.
  - In general, to multiply two N-bit binary numbers, you need to allow for <u>up to 2 \* N bits in the answer.</u> For example:

#### Multiplication in Binary (continued):

• Multiplying by two is a "shift left" operation:

	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
*							1	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	
0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0

- Works with both signed and unsigned integers.
  - Unsigned:

0 0 1 0 1 1 0 1 = 
$$2^5 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^0 = 32 + 8 + 4 + 1 = 45_{ten}$$
  
0 1 0 1 1 0 1 0 =  $2^6 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^1 = 64 + 16 + 8 + 2 = 90_{ten}$   
1 0 1 1 0 1 0 0 =  $2^7 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^2 = 128 + 32 + 16 + 4 = 180_{ten}$ 

- What happens when we shift left again?
- Signed:

1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 = 
$$-32_{\text{ten}}$$
  
1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 =  $-64_{\text{ten}}$   
1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 = ??

• If we shift left again?

# **Division in Binary**:

• 
$$85_{ten} / 6_{ten} = 14 \%$$

• Dividing by two is a "shift right" operation:

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 $= 14_{ten}$ 

# <u>Division in Binary</u> (continued):

- Signed number:
  - How does shift right maintain the correct result for dividing by 2?
  - Arithmetic shift right: replicate the sign bit when shifting:

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• -31_{ten} = 1110 0001_{two}
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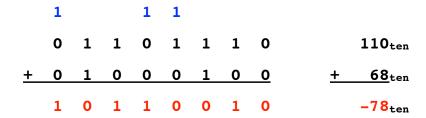
• Shift right: 1111 0000 two

```
    0000 1111 Invert step
    + 1 Add one
    0001 0000 = 2<sup>4</sup> = 16<sub>ten</sub>
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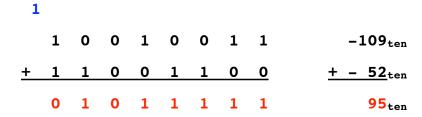
• -16<sub>ten</sub> is the correct result.

#### <u>Signed Numbers — Detecting Overflow:</u>

- No overflow possible when adding a positive and a negative number: positive + negative negative + positive
- No overflow possible when the signs are the same for subtraction: positive positive negative
- Overflow occurs when the answer <u>makes the sign wrong</u>:
  - Examples using 8-bit, Two's Complement integers:
    - Overflow: adding two positives yields a "negative" (answer should be positive)



• Overflow: adding two negatives gives a "positive" (answer should be negative)



Note: With <u>signed</u> numbers, whether there is, or is not, a carry-out on the left tells you <u>nothing</u> about whether overflow did or did not occur!

## <u>Signed Numbers — Detecting Overflow</u> (continued):

• Overflow: subtract a negative from a positive and get a negative (should be positive).

• Overflow: subtract a positive from a negative and get a positive (should be negative).

• Figure 3.2, page 226:

Operation	Operand A	Operand B	Result indicating overflow
A + B	≥ 0	≥ 0	< 0
A + B	< 0	< 0	≥ 0
A - B	≥ 0	< 0	< 0
A - B	< 0	≥ 0	≥ 0

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### <u>Signed Numbers — Detecting Overflow</u> (continued):

- Okay, so do we really care?
  - Sometimes, we do not!
    - Ignore any overflows that occur.
    - Java example:

```
public class Zap {
   public static void main (String args[]) {
      int i, j;
      for (i = 2147483640, j = 0; j < 15; i++, j++)
            System.out.println("i = " + i + " j = " + j);
      } // main
} // class Zap</pre>
```

- Sometimes, we do
  - Duplicate versions of assembly language instructions that cause an "exception" when overflow occurs.
  - MIPS uses this approach:
    - add, addi, sub cause exceptions on overflow.
    - addu, addiu, subu do not cause exceptions on overflow.

# **Hexadecimal and Octal**:

- Binary can be difficult to read and write (for us humans :-).
- An alternative is to use octal notation.
  - Octal = base 8.
  - 3 binary digits = 1 octal digit.

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

- Counting exercise: What ten numbers follow:
  - 75, 76,
  - 376,

- Converting octal to/from <u>binary</u>:
  - Group the binary number into groups of three digits, starting from the <u>right</u>.
    - Examples:

```
00 110 111_{two} = 067_{octal}

10 101 001_{two} = 251

11 111 111_{two} = 377

01 110 100 010 101 011 111 010 010 101 100_{two} = 164253
```

- Converting octal to/from <u>decimal</u>:
  - My preference: convert to binary first:

```
117_{\text{octal}} = 001 \ 001 \ 111 = 64 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 = 79_{\text{ten}}
```

• But, you can do it directly:

```
2,143_{\text{octal}} = 010\ 001\ 100\ 011 = 2^10 + 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^1 + 2^0 = 1024 + 64 + 32 + 2 + 1 = 1123_{\text{ten}}
```

$$2,143_{\text{octal}} = 2 * 8^3 + 1 * 8^2 + 4 * 8^1 + 3 * 8^0 = 2 * 512 + 64 + 32 + 3 = 1,123_{\text{ten}}$$

- Converting octal to/from decimal (continued):
  - Convert 1,293<sub>ten</sub> to octal

# My preference:

Convert to binary, then to octal:

Can be done directly using successive division:

Conversion Exercises:

- 1. Convert 3,724<sub>octal</sub> to decimal.
- 2. Convert 1,562<sub>ten</sub> to octal.

• More common today: base 16 (hexadecimal):

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

- Counting exercise: What ten hexadecimal numbers follow:
  - 97, 98, 99, 9A, 9B, 9C, ..., 9F, A0, A1, A2, ..., FD, FE, FF, 100
  - 2F9, 2FA, 2FB, 2FC, 2FD, 2FE, 2FF, 300,
  - largest hexadecimal value that will fit in an unsigned, 8-bit byte: FF

- Convert hexadecimal to/from binary:
- Group the binary number in groups of four digits, starting from the <u>right</u>.
- Examples:

```
1001 = 8 + 1; 	 1111 = 8 + 4 + 2 + 1
0100 	 1001_{two} = 49_{hex}
1111 	 1111_{two} = FF_{hex}
0110 	 1100_{two} = ??_{hex}
1001 	 1000 	 1101 	 1011 	 1100 	 0100 	 0101 	 0011_{two} =
```

- Converting hexadecimal to/from decimal:
  - My preference: convert to binary first:

AC8E<sub>hex</sub> = 1010 1100 1000 1110<sub>two</sub> = 
$$2^{15} + 2^{13} + 2^{11} + 2^{10} + 2^{7} + 2^{3} + 2^{2} + 2^{1} =$$

$$32,768 2^{15} 8,192 2^{13} 2,048 2^{11} 1,024 2^{10} 128 2^{7} 8 2^{3} 4 2^{2} 44,174_{ten}$$

• But, you can do it directly:

- Converting hexadecimal to/from decimal (continued):
  - Convert 3,164<sub>ten</sub> to hexadecimal.

# My preference:

Convert to binary, then to hexadecimal:

Can be done directly using successive division:

Conversion Exercises:

- 1. Convert 5B C7<sub>hex</sub> to decimal.
- 2. Convert 9,127<sub>ten</sub> to hexadecimal.

- Multiplication table for hexadecimal:
  - Complete the rows for 4 and 8 (they are useful) and F (for fun :-)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	В	С	D	E	F
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	В	С	D	E	F
2	0	2														
3	0	3														
4	0	4														
5	0	5														
6	0	6														
7	0	7														
8	0	8														
9	0	9														
A	0	A														
В	0	В														
С	0	U														
D	0	D														
E	0	E														
F	0	F														

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# **Floating Point** (a brief look).

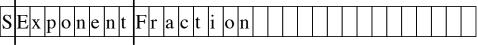
- Read: Section 3.5 pages 196-222 (5th ed.), 242-254 (4th ed.)
- Need a way to represent:
  - Numbers with fractions: 3.1415926536
  - Very small numbers:  $0.00000000000132 = 1.32 * 10^{-13}$
  - Very large numbers: 6.023 \* 10<sup>23</sup>
  - Negative versions of these as well.
- Review:
  - $6.023 * 10^{23}$
  - 6.023 is the *mantissa*.
    - .023 is the *fraction*.
  - 10 is the *base* (or *radix*).
  - 23 is the *exponent*.
- In binary, it is exactly the same, except the base is two, not ten
- Computer arithmetic that supports this form is called *floating point* arithmetic.

# **Floating Point Representation**:

- Floating point numbers are stored in <u>binary</u>, not decimal!
- Example: 176,128.75<sub>ten</sub>
  - $176,128_{\text{ten}} = 131,072 + 32,768 + 8,192 + 4,096 = 2^{17} + 2^{15} + 2^{13} + 2^{12} = 10\ 1011\ 0000\ 0000\ 0000\ 0000\ two$
  - $0.75_{ten} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = 2^{-1} + 2^{-2} = 0.11_{two}$
  - $176,128.75_{\text{ten}} = 10\ 1011\ 0000\ 0000\ 0000.11_{\text{two}}$
- Normal format is 1.m \* 2e
  - $176,128.75_{\text{ten}} = 10\ 1011\ 0000\ 0000\ 0000.11_{\text{two}} = 1.0\ 1011\ 0000\ 0000\ 0000\ 11\ *\ 2^{17}$
  - $\bullet$  = 1.0 1011 0000 0000 0000 11 \* 2<sup>10001</sup>
- If we have a fixed amount of space (and we always do!), we have to trade off the number of bits among m and e:
  - More bits for m = greater accuracy.
  - More bits for e = greater range.
  - Historically, there have been many different representations
    - They differ (mainly) in the values of m and e.

- IEEE 754 A Standard for Floating Point Numbers.
  - Bits for m = 23. Bits for e = 8.
  - Plus one bit for the Sign.
- Exponent.
  - With 8 bits for the exponent we can represent numbers from approximately 2-127 .. 2127
    - $2^{-127} \approx 10^{-38}$ ;  $2^{127} \approx 10^{38}$ .
- Mantissa.
  - Since the first digit of the Mantissa is always 1 in binary (what is it in decimal?), we can optimize (save space) by not storing it (but remembering it is there).

- Laying out Floating Point Numbers.
  - Basic layout:



- S = 1 bit, Exponent = 8 bits, Fraction = 23 bits.
- There is a strong motivation to enable comparisons to be made using integer compares:
  - Compare the signs.
  - Compare the exponents.
  - Compare the fractions.
- Problem with comparing exponents: -127 appears to be larger than +127 (when both are written as Two's Complement binary numbers).
- Solution: bias the exponent so positive exponents occupy the upper-half of the exponent range.
- In IEEE 754, 127<sub>ten</sub> is used to bias the exponent.
  - For an exponent of  $+1_{\text{ten}}$  use  $1 + 127 = 128_{\text{ten}} = 1000\ 0000_{\text{two}}$
  - For an exponent of  $+12_{\text{ten}}$  use  $12 + 127 = 139_{\text{ten}} = 1000 \ 1011_{\text{two}}$

• For 
$$-4_{\text{ten}}$$
:  $-4 + 127 = 123_{\text{ten}} = 0111 \ 1011_{\text{two}}$ 

• For 
$$-33_{\text{ten}}$$
:  $-33 + 127 = 94_{\text{ten}} = 0101 \ 1110_{\text{two}}$ 

- Completing the example:
  - $176,128.75_{\text{ten}} = 1.0\ 1011\ 0000\ 0000\ 0000\ 11 * 2^{17}$
  - Sign: 0 (positive)
  - Exponent:
    - 17
    - Add the bias:  $17 + 127 = 144 = 128 + 16 = 1001 \ 0000_{\text{two}}$
    - Suppose the exponent was  $12 + 127 = 139 = 1000 \ 1011_{\text{two}}$
    - Suppose the exponent was -17:  $-17 + 127 = 110_{ten} = 0110 \ 1110$
  - Fraction (without the 1 to the left of the decimal): 010 1100 0000 0000 0011 0000
  - Result:
    - S Expo nent Fra ctio n 0 1001 0000 010 1100 0000 0000 0011 0000

- When converting **from decimal to binary**:
  - Add the bias (always).
  - Does not matter whether the exponent in decimal is positive or negative, <u>always add</u>.

- Example of a Floating Point number:
  - 0 01101000 101 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
  - S Exponent Fra ctio n
  - Sign bit is **o**, so the number is positive.
  - Exponent: 8 digits
    - 0110 1000 $_{two} = 104_{ten}$
    - Biased:  $104_{\text{ten}} 127_{\text{ten}} = -23_{\text{ten}}$
  - Fraction: 23 digits
    - 101 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
    - 1.101<sub>two</sub> \* 2<sup>-23</sup> .0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0011 01
    - $1.101_{\text{two}} = 1 + (1*2^{-1} + 0*2^{-2} + 1*2^{-3}) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} = 1 + \frac{5}{8} = 1.625_{\text{ten}}$
  - Number:  $1.625 * 2^{-23}$ , which is approximately  $1.937 * 10^{-7}$ .

- When converting from binary to decimal:
  - **Subtract** the bias (always).
  - Does not matter whether the exponent in binary starts with 1 or 0, always subtract.

- There are three problems to handle:
  - Zero: The standard uses all o's for the exponent and all o's for the fraction:
    - 0 0000 0000 000 0000 0000 0000 0000
    - S Expo nent Fra ctio n
    - The sign bit can be **0** or **1**.
  - <u>Infinity</u>: The standard uses all **1**'s for the exponent and all **0**'s for the fraction:
    - 0 1111 1111 000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
    - S Expo nent Fra ctio n
    - The sign bit can be o or 1. Supports positive and negative infinity.
  - NaN: Not a Number. For operations such as **o** / **o** or subtracting infinity infinity.
    - The standard uses all 1's for the exponent and some (any) nonzero value for the fraction.

      - S Expo nent Fra ctio n
    - The sign bit can be **o** or **1**.

- Exponent:
  - $-126_{\text{ten}}$  to  $+127_{\text{ten}}$  can be represented.

$$\bullet$$
 -126 + 127 = 1<sub>ten</sub> = 0000 0001<sub>two</sub>

• 
$$+127 + 127 = 254_{ten} = 1111 \ 1110_{two}$$

- When the exponent is all **o**'s:
  - If the fraction is all **o**'s, the bit pattern represents **O**<sub>ten</sub>.
  - If the fraction is nonzero, the fraction does <u>not</u> have an implied leading 1.
    - Called "denormalized" values.
    - Allows representation of values closer to zero.
- Figure 3.13, page 199 (partial), Single Precision:

Exponent	Fraction	Object represented
0	0	0
0	nonzero	+/- denormalized number
1 - 254	anything	+/- floating-point number
255	0	+/- infinity
255	nonzero	NaN (Not a Number)

Exponent:  $2^{-127}$  to  $2^{+127}$ 

$$1.1 * 2^{-127} =$$

$$-127 + 127 = 0000 0000$$

0 0000 0000 100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000

$$1.101 * 2^{-143} =$$

$$0.0000\ 0000\ 0000\ 0001\ 101 * 2^{-127} =$$

0 0000 0000 0000 0000 0001 1010 000

$$1.101 * 2^{-137} =$$

$$0.0000\ 0000\ 0110\ 1*2^{-127} =$$

0 0000 0000 0000 0000 0110 1000 0000 000

$$1.101 * 2^{-148} =$$

$$0.00000000000000000000001101 * 2^{-127} =$$

0 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0110+

$$1.101 * 2^{-150} =$$

$$0.00000000000000000000001101 * 2^{-127} =$$

0 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 000<del>1101</del>

- Example:
  - Decimal:  $-0.75 = -3/4 = -(1/2 + 1/4) = -(1*2^{-1} + 1*2^{-2})$
  - Binary:  $-0.11 = -1.1 * 2^{-1}$
  - Floating point:
    - Sign bit for negative value: 1
    - Exponent:
      - $-1_{\text{ten}} + \text{bias} = -1_{\text{ten}} + 127_{\text{ten}} = 126_{\text{ten}} = 0111 \ 1110_{\text{two}}$
    - Fraction: 1.1
      - 1.100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
      - Implicit 1 at the start not part of the stored number.
      - Fraction is thus: 100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
  - - S Exponent Fraction

- Example:
  - 4.2 \* 10<sup>3</sup> into binary (IEEE format).
  - $4.2 * 10^3 = 4200_{\text{ten}}$
  - $4200_{\text{ten}} = 1\ 0000\ 0110\ 1000_{\text{two}}$
  - "Normalize it"
    - Need to move the binary decimal point 12 places:
      - 1.000 0011 0100 0 \* 2<sup>12</sup>
  - Result:
    - Sign bit for positive number: **o**
    - Exponent:
      - $12_{\text{ten}} + 127_{\text{ten}} = 139_{\text{ten}} = 128_{\text{ten}} + 8_{\text{ten}} + 2_{\text{ten}} + 1_{\text{ten}} = 1000$  **1011**<sub>two</sub>
    - Fraction: 1.000001101000, we drop the implicit 1, to get:
      - 000 0011 0100 0000 0000 0000, extra zero's needed on the right to fill out the 23 digits
      - 0 1000 1011 000 0011 0100 0000 0000 0000
      - S Expo nent Fra ctio n

# **Floating Point Addition**:

- Have to make the exponents the same (align the floating decimal point).
- Base 10 example:
  - $4.2*10^3 + 4.2*10^5 = 0.042*10^5 + 4.2*10^5 = 4.242*10^5$
- Binary example:
  - We converted 4.2 \* 10<sup>3</sup> earlier (see previous slide): **0** 1000 1011 000 0011 0100 0000 0000
  - $4.2 * 10^5 = 420,000_{\text{ten}} = 110 \ 0110 \ 1000 \ 1010 \ 0000_{\text{two}} = 1.1001101000101*2^{18}$ 
    - Sign, number is positive: **o**
    - Exponent:  $18_{\text{ten}} + 127_{\text{ten}} = 145_{\text{ten}} = 1001$  0001<sub>two</sub>
    - Fraction: 100 1101 0001 0100 0000 0000
  - Result:
    - 0 1001 0001 100 1101 0001 0100 0000 0000
    - S Expo nent Fra ctio n

### Floating Point Addition (continued):

• Adding:

• Shift the second number six places to the right to align the exponents:

- Have to put the implicit one into the second number when we shift it right!
- Result:

• Checking the result to see if it matches (approximates) the decimal result:

```
Exponent: 1001 0001 = 128 + 16 + 1 = 145_{ten} - 127_{ten} = 18_{ten}
1.100 1111 0010 0001 * 2^{18} = 110 0111 1001 0000 1000_{two} = 67,908_{hex} = 6*16^4 + 7*16^3 + 9*16^2 + 8*16^0 = 6*65,536 + 7*4,096 + 9*256 + 8 = 393,216 + 28,672 + 2,304 + 8 = 424,200
```

# Floating Point (continued):

- IEEE 754 Floating Point standard:
  - Single precision:
    - Sign bit.
    - Exponent: 8 bits, bias 127.
    - Fraction: 23 bits.
  - Double precision:
    - Sign bit.
    - Exponent: 11 bits, bias 1023.
    - Fraction: 52 bits.

# **Floating Point Complexities**:

- Operations are somewhat more complicated than integer operations (see text).
- In addition to overflow, we can have "underflow":
  - Value too close to zero to be represented.
- Accuracy can be a **big** problem.
  - IEEE 754 uses two extra bits during operations: guard and round to round intermediate answers.
  - Four rounding modes.
  - Positive divided by zero yields "infinity".
  - Zero divided by zero yields "Not a Number".
  - Other complexities...
- Implementing the standard can be tricky.
- MIPS uses separate floating-point registers (not part of the 32 general-purpose registers that are used for integer operations) see discussion in the text.
  - We will come back to this point later.
- Not using the standard can be even worse.
  - See the text (4th ed: pages 272-279; 5th ed: pages 231-232) for description of the 80x86 floating-pt operations and the Pentium divide bug!

## **Representation of Characters**:

- Characters such as 'A' '?' 'p' 'u' '5' (and the characters in this document :-) must also be represented.
- Standard representation (<u>ASCII</u> code) 4th edition: Figure 2.15, page 122.

```
0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 = A
0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 = B
0 1 1 0 0 0 0 1 = a
0 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 = b
```

- Also have to represent numbers as characters; e.g. '5', but note these are not the same as 5.
  - 5 (the number, as an 8-bit, signed integer) =  $\mathbf{0}$   $\mathbf{0}$   $\mathbf{0}$   $\mathbf{0}$   $\mathbf{0}$   $\mathbf{1}$
  - '5' (the character) = 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1
  - 55 (the number, as an 8-bit, signed integer) = **0 0 1 1 0 1 1 1**
  - '5' '5' (two characters, need 16-bits, 8 bits for each '5') = **0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 1**
- How many bits would it take to represent 1,000,000<sub>ten</sub> in ASCII?
- How many bits would it take to represent 1,000,000<sub>ten</sub> as an unsigned integer?

• ASCII in various bases (taken from "man ascii" in OS X):

#### The decimal set:

0	nul	1	soh	2	stx	3	etx	4	eot	5	enq	6	ack	7	bel
8	bs	9	ht	10	nl	11	vt	12	np	13	cr	14	so	15	si
16	dle	17	dc1	18	dc2	19	dc3	20	dc4	21	nak	22	syn	23	etb
24	can	25	em	26	sub	27	esc	28	fs	29	gs	30	rs	31	us
32	sp	33	!	34	"	35	#	36	\$	37	%	38	&	39	•
40	(	41	)	42	*	43	+	44	,	45	-	46	•	47	/
48	0	49	1	50	2	51	3	52	4	53	5	54	6	55	7
56	8	57	9	58	:	59	;	60	<	61	=	62	>	63	?
64	@	65	A	66	В	67	С	68	D	69	E	70	F	71	G
72	H	73	I	74	J	75	K	76	L	77	M	78	N	79	0
80	P	81	Q	82	R	83	S	84	T	85	U	86	v	87	W
88	x	89	Y	90	Z	91	[	92	\	93	]	94	^	95	_
96	`	97	а	98	b	99	C	100	đ	101	е	102	f	103	g
104	h	105	i	106	j	107	k	108	1	109	m	110	n	111	0
112	p	113	q	114	r	115	s	116	t	117	u	118	v	119	W
120	x	121	У	122	z	123	{	124	- 1	125	}	126	~	127	del

• ASCII in various bases (continued):

#### The hexadecimal set:

00	nul	01	soh	02	stx	03	etx	04	eot	05	enq	06	ack	07	bel
80	bs	09	ht	0a	nl	0b	vt	0c	np	0d	cr	0e	so	Of	si
10	dle	11	dc1	12	dc2	13	dc3	14	dc4	15	nak	16	syn	17	etb
18	can	19	em	1a	sub	1b	esc	1c	fs	1d	gs	1e	rs	1f	us
20	sp	21	1	22	"	23	#	24	\$	25	%	26	&	27	•
28	(	29	)	2a	*	2b	+	2c	,	2d	-	2e	•	2f	/
30	0	31	1	32	2	33	3	34	4	35	5	36	6	37	7
38	8	39	9	3a	:	3b	;	3c	<	3d	=	3e	>	3 <b>f</b>	?
40	@	41	A	42	В	43	С	44	D	45	E	46	F	47	G
48	H	49	I	4a	J	4b	K	4c	L	4d	M	4e	N	4 <b>f</b>	0
50	P	51	Q	52	R	53	S	54	T	55	U	56	V	57	W
58	X	59	Y	5a	Z	5b	[	5c	\	5d	]	5e	^	5f	_
60	•	61	a	62	b	63	С	64	đ	65	е	66	f	67	g
68	h	69	i	6a	j	6b	k	6c	1	6d	m	6e	n	6f	0
70	p	71	q	72	r	73	s	74	t	75	u	76	v	77	W
78	x	79	Y	7a	z	7b	{	7c	1	7d	}	7e	~	7 <b>f</b>	del

• ASCII in various bases (continued):

## The octal set:

000	nul	001	soh	002	stx	003	etx	004	eot	005	enq	006	ack	007	bel
010	bs	011	ht	012	nl	013	vt	014	np	015	cr	016	so	017	si
020	dle	021	dc1	022	dc2	023	dc3	024	dc4	025	nak	026	syn	027	etb
030	can	031	em	032	sub	033	esc	034	fs	035	gs	036	rs	037	us
040	sp	041	!	042	"	043	#	044	\$	045	%	046	&	047	•
050	(	051	)	052	*	053	+	054	,	055	_	056	•	057	/
060	0	061	1	062	2	063	3	064	4	065	5	066	6	067	7
070	8	071	9	072	:	073	;	074	<	075	=	076	>	077	?
100	@	101	A	102	В	103	C	104	D	105	E	106	F	107	G
110	H	111	I	112	J	113	K	114	L	115	M	116	N	117	0
120	P	121	Q	122	R	123	S	124	T	125	U	126	v	127	W
130	X	131	Y	132	Z	133	[	134	\	135	]	136	^	137	_
140	`	141	а	142	b	143	C	144	d	145	е	146	f	147	g
150	h	151	i	152	j	153	k	154	1	155	m	156	n	157	0
160	p	161	q	162	r	163	s	164	t	165	u	166	v	167	W
170	x	171	y	172	z	173	{	174	1	175	}	176	~	177	del

- ASCII printable and non-printable characters:
- Printable:
  - Characters from the blank space to the tilde character.
    - Decimal: values between 32 and 126, inclusive.
- Non-Printable:
  - Characters from the **nul** character (ascii value 0) to the **us** character (**us** = unit separator, ascii value 31).
  - And, the **del** character: (ascii value 127).
- Interesting non-printable characters:
  - Ascii values 1 to 26 are the control characters: control-A through control-Z.
  - Some are tied to keys:
    - Control-I, ascii 9, ht, "horizontal tab", is the tab key.
    - Control-H, ascii 8, bs, "backspace", is the backspace key.
    - Ascii 27, "escape", is the **ESC** key.
  - Networking use, in low-level message protocols:
    - soh, "start of heading", stx, "start of text", etx, "end of text".

- Interesting non-printable characters (continued):
  - There are two ascii characters that can control advancing to the next line:
    - Control-J, ascii 10, 1f, "line feed".
    - Control-M, ascii 13, cr, "carriage return".
    - Windows puts both characters at the end of a line. In Java, when you use '\n', you get both cr and 1f.
    - Unix puts only the 1f character at the end of a line. In Java, when you use '\n', you get only 1f.
      - Linux and Mac OS X follow the Unix convention.

- <u>Unicode</u>.
  - Of course, 128 is not very many possibilities when you have to represent all the characters in the world.
    - Think different alphabets here.
    - East Asian, Cyrillic, Arabic, Greek, Tibetan, Cherokee, ...
  - Many systems use Unicode. 16 bits for each character.
    - Java specifies the use of Unicode.
  - 2<sup>16</sup> allows for 65,536 characters.
  - The first 128 characters in Unicode are the ASCII characters, of course. (Why "of course"?)

### **Summary**:

- Numbers and characters may be represented using binary.
  - And other items as well (assembly language instructions, for example).
  - We always have to know how to interpret a bit pattern -- the pattern alone is not sufficient!
- Variety of techniques for representing negative numbers, floating point numbers, etc.
- Can perform arithmetic on binary numbers.
- Can (easily?) convert between more readable hexadecimal (or octal) and binary notation.
- How do we tell from looking at a bit pattern what it represents?
  - Often cannot tell from the pattern alone (see the homework).
  - Can sometimes eliminate some possibilities.
  - Need context to determine what the bit pattern means...