# Binary Digits (bits)

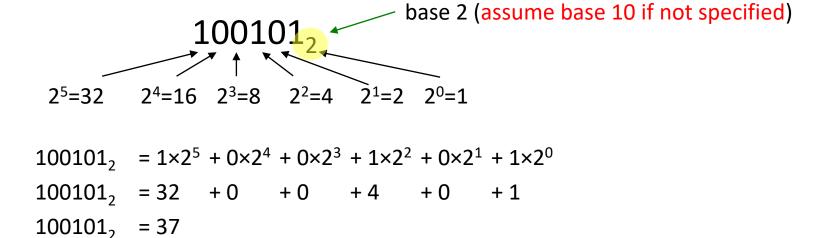
- data within a computer system are stored in one of 2 physical states (hence the use of binary digits)
  - 0V and 5V
  - charge / NO charge on a transistor gate
  - ferrite core magnetised clockwise or counter clockwise
  - ...
- binary digits (bits) and are represented by the values 0 and 1
- binary digits are normally grouped together so they are easier to work with

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    4 bits = nibble or nybble intel 16 bits = WORD
    8 bits = byte (or 2 nibbles) 32 bits = DWORD (double word) 01101001
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- 16 bits = halfword (or 2 bytes) 01111000 01001011
- 32 bits = word (or 4 bytes) 11101101 01111101 01100111 01100101

# Unsigned Binary Integers

- unsigned == positive integers ONLY
- converting binary to decimal



similar decimal calculation (base 10)

$$37 = 3 \times 10^{1} + 7 \times 10^{0}$$
  
 $403 = 4 \times 10^{2} + 0 \times 10^{1} + 3 \times 10^{0}$ 

# Converting a positive decimal integer to binary

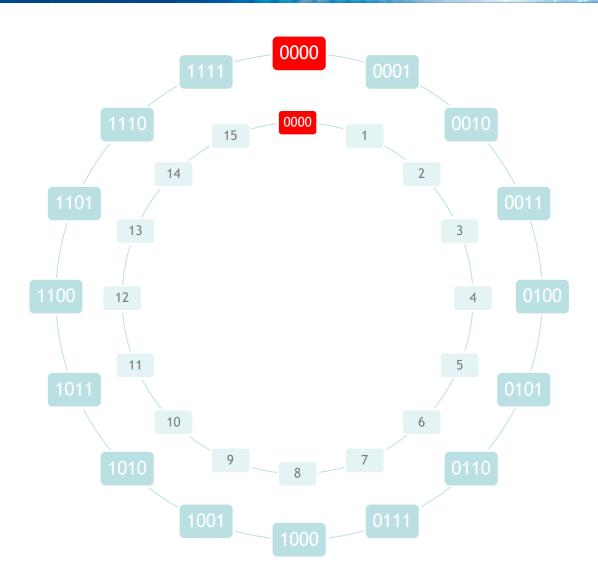
- keep dividing by 2 until 0 and remember remainders
- convert 37 to binary

- what is 42 in binary? 0010 1010<sub>2</sub>
- what is 16 in binary? 0001 0000<sub>2</sub>

- pictorial view of a 4 bit unsigned binary integer
- 4 bit unsigned binary integer range

 n bit unsigned binary integer range

0 to 2<sup>n</sup>-1



There are 10 types of people in the world: those who understand binary and those who don't.

# **Signed Binary Integers**

- SIGNED = positive and negative integers
- 2's complement notation
- convert +5 to -5 by taking the 2's complement (invert bits and add 1)

5	01012
invert bits	10102
add 1	00012
-5	10112
invert bits	01002
add 1	00012
5	01012

#### Signed Binary Integers

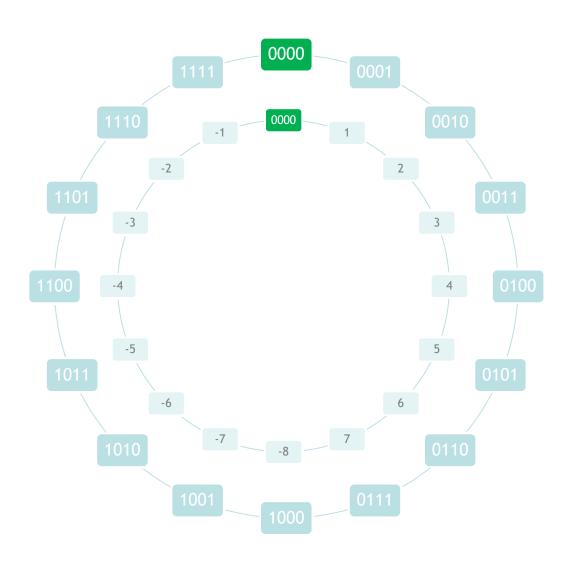
same effect achieved by subtracting from 0 (modulo 16 in this case)

zero	00002
subtract 5	01012
-5	10112

ignore bits beyond the first 4

- 4 bit signed binary integer
  - positive range 0000<sub>2</sub> to 0111<sub>2</sub> 0 to 7
     negative range 1111<sub>2</sub> to 1000<sub>2</sub> -1 to -8
- **n** bit signed binary integer range:  $-2^{n-1}$  to  $2^{n-1} 1$
- most significant bit (MSB) indicates sign (0 positive, 1 negative)
- note asymmetrical range only one zero (do have a +0 and a -0)

- pictorial view of a 4 bit signed binary integer
- if <u>unsigned</u>, inner ring would have values 0 to 15
- value depends whether the binary numbers are interpreted as unsigned or signed (the programmer should know!)
- 2's complement notation used because the <u>same</u>
   CPU hardware can perform unsigned and signed binary arithmetic simultaneously



# Try these

what is -42 in binary?

+42 0010 1010<sub>2</sub>

invert bits and add 1 1101 0110<sub>2</sub>

what is -16 in binary?

+16 0001 0000<sub>2</sub>

invert bits and add 1 1111 0000<sub>2</sub>

#### **Hexadecimal Notation**

- base 16
- easier to handle large binary numbers by grouping 4 binary bits into a hexadecimal digit (starting at the least significant bit)
- consider the following 16 bit <u>unsigned</u> binary integer

1111 1010 1100 1110<sub>2</sub> = FACE<sub>16</sub>  

$$F \times 16^3 + A \times 16^2 + C \times 16^1 + E \times 16^0$$
  
 $15 \times 16^3 + 10 \times 16^2 + 12 \times 16^1 + 14 \times 16^0$   
 $15 \times 4096 + 10 \times 256 + 12 \times 16 + 14 \times 1$   
64,206

what about?

0000 1011 1010 1101<sub>2</sub> = 0BAD<sub>16</sub>  

$$0\times16^3 + 11\times16^2 + 10\times16^1 + 13\times16^0$$
  
2,989

BINARY	DEC	<u>Hex</u>
0000	0	0
0001	1	1
0010	2	2
0011	3	3
0100	4	4
0101	5	5
0110	6	6
0111	7	7
1000	8	8
1001	9	9
1010	10	Α
1011	11	В
1100	12	С
1101	13	D
1110	14	Е
1111	15	F

# Try this

- what decimal value is FACE<sub>16</sub> if interpreted as a 16 bit <u>signed</u> integer?
- MSB is 1, hence negative so take 2's complement by inverting bits and adding 1

	FACE <sub>16</sub>
invert bits	0531 <sub>16</sub>
add 1	0532 <sub>16</sub>

convert 0532<sub>16</sub> to decimal

$$0 \times 16^3 + 5 \times 16^2 + 3 \times 16^1 + 2 \times 16^0$$
  
1,330

• FACE<sub>16</sub> when interpreted as a 16 bit <u>signed</u> integer = -1,330

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#### Decimal to hexadecimal conversion

- convert 20,085 to hexadecimal
- keep dividing by 16 until 0 and remember remainders

convert -20,085 to hexadecimal (assume 16 bit signed integer)

20,085	4E75 <sub>16</sub>
invert bits	B18A <sub>16</sub>
add 1	0001 <sub>16</sub>
-20,085	B18B <sub>16</sub>

<b>BINARY</b>	DEC	<u>Hex</u>
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#### Alternative notation

 when writing ARM Assembly Language, can use the following notion for decimal, hexadecimal and binary integers

1000	no prefix usually means decimal
0x1000	hexadecimal (also used by C/C++ and Java)
&1000	alternative hexadecimal notation
2_1000	binary
n_1000	base n eg. 8_777 is octal (base 8)

# **Adding Hexadecimal Numbers**

compute 0xA89F + 0x09A1

		unsigned	signed
	A89F <sub>16</sub>	43,167	-22,369
+	09A1 <sub>16</sub>	2,465	2,465
	B240 <sub>16</sub>	45,632	-19,904

remember hexadecimal/binary numbers can be interpreted as being unsigned or signed

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# **Subtracting Hexadecimal Numbers**

compute 0xA89F - 0x09A1

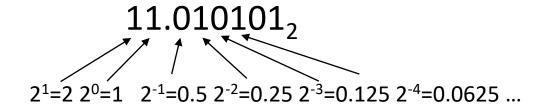
		unsigned	signed
	A89F <sub>16</sub>	43,167	-22,369
-	09A1 <sub>16</sub>	2,465	2,465
	9EFE <sub>16</sub>	40,702	-24,834

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# **Real Binary Numbers**

- binary point (rather than a decimal point)
- what is the value of the following binary number?



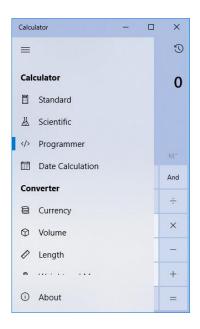
- 2 + 1 + 0.25 + 0.0625 + 0.015625 = 3.328125
- shows how real numbers can be represented as floating point binary numbers inside a computer, but further detail is beyond the scope of CS1021

### Larger units

- larger units of information
  - 1 kilobyte (KB) = 2<sup>10</sup> bytes = 1,024 bytes
  - 1 megabyte (MB) = 1024 x 1024 bytes = 1,024 KB = 2<sup>20</sup> bytes = 1,048,576 bytes
  - 1 gigabyte (GB) = 1,024 MB =  $2^{30}$  bytes = 1,073,741,824 bytes
  - 1 terabyte (TB) =  $1024 \text{ GB} = 2^{40} \text{ bytes} = 1,099,511,627,776 bytes}$
- the following units are used when expressing data rates (eg. Mb/s note the lowercase b)
  - 1 kilobit (Kb/s) = 1,000 bits per second
  - 1 megabit (Mb/s) = 1,000 kilobits = 1,000,000 bits per second
- IEC prefixes KiB, MiB, GiB, ... used to differentiate between 1000 and 1024
  - technically 1KB = 1000 bytes and 1KiB = 1024bytes (although KB is often used to mean 1024)

# **Programmer Calculator**

 many calculators have a programmer mode (eg. Windows 10 calculator) for performing binary and hexadecimal arithmetic





- don't use one until you know how to do the calculations "by hand"
- calculators NOT allowed in the CS1021 mid-term test or exams