

ECE 486/586

Computer Architecture

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Outline

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 - Binary Arithmetic (Unsigned binary operands)
 - Signed number representations
 - Signed Magnitude
 - Diminished Radix Complement (Ones Complement)
 - Radix Complement (Twos Complement)
 - Binary Arithmetic Revisited and Overflow
 - Sign Extension
 - IEEE 754 Floating Point

Binary Arithmetic

Rules for “carry” same as in decimal

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \\ + 0 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \\ + 1 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ + 0 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \leftarrow \text{carry} \\ 1 \\ + 1 \\ \hline 10 \end{array}$$

Unsigned Binary (UB) Addition

- Examples (4-bit word)

$2 + 6$

$$\begin{array}{r} 11 \\ 0010 \\ + 0110 \\ \hline 1000 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{r} 2 \\ + 6 \\ \hline 8 \end{array}$$

$$11 + 6$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \textcircled{1} \ 1 \ 1 \\
 1011 \\
 + \quad 0110 \\
 \hline
 \textcircled{1} 0001
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{r}
 11 \\
 + \quad 6 \\
 \hline
 17
 \end{array}$$

Overflow $17 > 2^4 - 1$

Overflow (Underflow)

Definition:

Result of an arithmetic operation is too large (or small) to be represented in number of bits available

Detection:

Varies with the representation. For unsigned binary, it's determined by a carry out of the MSB

$$\begin{array}{r} \textcircled{1} \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \\ 10101101 \\ + \ 01101100 \\ \hline 100011001 \end{array}$$

8 bit operands

Signed Numbers

- Have been assuming non-negative numbers
 - Unsigned Binary (UB)
- Several representations for signed numbers
 - Sign Magnitude (SM)
 - Diminished Radix Complement (DRC)
 - 1s Complement
 - Radix Complement (RC)
 - 2s Complement

Sign Magnitude

MSB functions as sign bit

0 = positive

1 = negative

Range of numbers:

$-(2^{n-1} - 1)$ to $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$

$n = 6$

Two representations for 0

Negative formed by

complementing sign bit

$15_{10} = 001111_{SM}$

$-15_{10} = 101111_{SM}$

$010100_{SM} = 20_{10}$

$110100_{SM} = -20_{10}$

SM number						Decimal number
d_5	d_4	d_3	d_2	d_1	d_0	
0	1	1	1	1	1	$+31 = +(2^5 - 1)$
0	1	1	1	1	0	+30
0	1	1	1	0	1	+29
0	1	1	1	0	0	+28
\vdots						
0	0	0	0	1	0	+2
0	0	0	0	0	1	+1
0	0	0	0	0	0	+0
1	0	0	0	0	0	-0
1	0	0	0	0	1	-1
1	0	0	0	1	0	-2
\vdots						
1	1	1	1	0	0	-28
1	1	1	1	0	1	-29
1	1	1	1	1	0	-30
1	1	1	1	1	1	$-31 = -(2^5 - 1)$

Diminished Radix Complement (DRC)

Called “Ones Complement”

MSB indicates sign

0 = positive

1 = negative

(but not a sign bit!)

Range of numbers:

$-(2^{n-1} - 1)$ to $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$

Two representations for 0

Negative formed by complementing entire word
(called “taking the ones complement”)

$$15_{10} = 001111_{\text{DRC}}$$

$$-15_{10} = 110000_{\text{DRC}}$$

$$010100_{\text{DRC}} = 20_{10}$$

$$101011_{\text{DRC}} = -20_{10}$$

DRC number						Decimal number
d_5	d_4	d_3	d_2	d_1	d_0	
0	1	1	1	1	1	+31 = $+(2^5 - 1)$
0	1	1	1	1	0	+30
0	1	1	1	0	1	+29
0	1	1	1	0	0	+28
\vdots						
0	0	0	0	1	0	+2
0	0	0	0	0	1	+1
0	0	0	0	0	0	+0
1	1	1	1	1	1	-0
1	1	1	1	1	0	-1
1	1	1	1	0	1	-2
\vdots						
1	0	0	0	1	1	-28
1	0	0	0	1	0	-29
1	0	0	0	0	1	-30
1	0	0	0	0	0	-31 = $-(2^5 - 1)$

Radix Complement (RC)

Called "Twos Complement"

MSB indicates sign

0 = positive

1 = negative

(but not a sign bit)

Range of numbers:

$$-(2^{n-1}) \text{ to } +(2^{n-1} - 1)$$

Only one representation for 0

Negative formed by complementing entire word and adding 1 (called "taking the twos complement")

$$15_{10} = 001111_{\text{RC}}$$

$$-15_{10} = 110001_{\text{RC}}$$

$$010100_{\text{RC}} = 20_{10}$$

$$101100_{\text{RC}} = -20_{10}$$

RC number						Decimal number
d_5	d_4	d_3	d_2	d_1	d_0	
0	1	1	1	1	1	+31 = $+(2^5 - 1)$
0	1	1	1	1	0	+30
0	1	1	1	0	1	+29
0	1	1	1	0	0	+28
⋮						
0	0	0	0	1	0	+2
0	0	0	0	0	1	+1
0	0	0	0	0	0	+0
0	0	0	0	0	0	-0
1	1	1	1	1	1	-1
1	1	1	1	1	0	-2
⋮						
1	0	0	1	0	0	-28
1	0	0	0	1	1	-29
1	0	0	0	1	0	-30
1	0	0	0	0	1	-31
1	0	0	0	0	0	-32 = -2^5

Twos Complement – Special Cases

Example: Take Twos Complement (RC)
of 0000 (0_{10})

0000

1 1 1

1111 ← Complement

+ 1 ← Add One

0000

Ignore carry out of MSB

Twos Complement – Special Cases

Example: Take Twos Complement (RC)
of 1000 (-8_{10}) (most negative)

1000

1 1 1

0111 ← Complement

+ 1

← Add One

1000

Can't represent
abs(most negative number)

Conversions of Signed Representations

- From decimal
 - Represent the absolute value of the number in UB
 - Use the correct number of bits (add leading 0s)
 - If the decimal number is negative, use the appropriate rule to negate the representation
 - S/M – complement the sign bit
 - DRC (ones complement) – complement every bit
 - RC (twos complement) – complement every bit, add 1
- To decimal
 - If number is +, convert from UB to decimal (done!)
 - If number is - use appropriate rule to negate it (obtain its absolute value)
 - S/M – complement the sign bit
 - DRC (ones complement) – complement every bit
 - RC (twos complement) – complement every bit, add 1
 - Convert this (positive) number as though UB to decimal
 - Add a negative sign

Why do we use RC (Twos Complement)?

- Only one representation for zero
- Simplified Addition
 - Sign Magnitude Addition
 - Must consider two operands without sign bits
 - If sign bits same: perform add, check overflow
 - If sign bits different: subtract (two cases)
 - $+A$ and $-B \rightarrow A - B$
 - $-A$ and $+B \rightarrow B - A$
 - Generate correct sign bit for sum
 - Radix Complement (Twos Complement) Addition
 - Just add!
- Simple Subtraction
 - Done via addition
 - $A + B$
 - $A - B = A + (-B)$
 - Caution: Can't take negative of most negative number

Binary Arithmetic

- Unsigned Binary (UB)
- Signed Binary (SB)
- Diminished Radix Complement (DRC) ← Rarely used
 - 1s complement
- Radix Complement (RC)
 - 2s complement

Radix Complement (RC) or Twos Complement Addition

- Examples (4-bit word)

$$7 + (-2)$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overset{1}{\textcircled{1}} \overset{1}{1} \overset{1}{1} \\
 0111 \qquad 7 \\
 + \quad \underline{1110} \quad + (-2) \\
 \textcircled{1}0101 \qquad 5
 \end{array}$$

$$5 + (-7)$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \overset{1}{0}101 \qquad 5 \\
 + \quad \underline{1001} \quad + (-7) \\
 1110 \qquad (-2)
 \end{array}$$

Ignore carry out of MSB

Radix Complement (RC) or Twos Complement Addition

- Examples (4-bit word)

$$-7 + (-2)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ \textcircled{1}001 \quad -7 \\ + \textcircled{1}110 \quad + (-2) \\ \hline \textcircled{1}0111 \quad -9 \end{array}$$

Ignore carry out of MSB

We added two
negative numbers
and got a positive
result!

Overflow!!

$$-9 < -(2^3)$$

Carry and Overflow

Is this an overflow condition?

$$\begin{array}{r} \textcircled{1} 1\ 1\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 0 \\ 10101101 \\ + \quad \underline{01101100} \\ \textcircled{1} 00011001 \end{array}$$

If this is an unsigned binary (UB) number – Yes!

Carry and Overflow

Is this an overflow condition?

$$\begin{array}{r} 1\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 0 \\ 10101101 \\ +\ 01101100 \\ \hline 100011001 \end{array}$$

If this is a radix complement (RC) number – No!

A negative number plus a positive number cannot produce an overflow

Carry and Overflow

Radix Complement (2s Complement)

- Consider:
 - Positive + Negative \rightarrow Never overflow
 - Negative + Negative \rightarrow Overflow possible
 - Positive + Positive \rightarrow Overflow possible
- Detecting Overflow:
 - If signs of addends are same and sign of sum is different
 - Equivalent to $C_{SBP} \neq C_{SBP+1}$

Carry and Overflow

The diagram illustrates a binary addition operation. The first number is 1101100, with its first two bits (11) circled in red. Red arrows point from these circled bits to labels C_{SBP+1} and C_{SBP} above them. The second number is 01101100. A horizontal line is drawn under the second number. The result of the addition is 100011001. The first two bits of the first number are circled in red, and red arrows point from them to labels C_{SBP+1} and C_{SBP} above them.

$$\begin{array}{r} 1101100 \\ + 01101100 \\ \hline 100011001 \end{array}$$

C – Carry
SBP – Sign Bit Position

Radix Complement (RC) Addition

- Examples (4-bit word)

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{C}_{\text{SBP}+1} \quad \text{C}_{\text{SBP}} \\
 \textcircled{1} \textcircled{0} 0 0 \\
 1001 \quad -7 \\
 + \quad \underline{1110} \quad + (-2) \\
 \underline{10111} \quad -9
 \end{array}$$

$$\text{C}_{\text{SBP}+1} \neq \text{C}_{\text{SBP}}$$

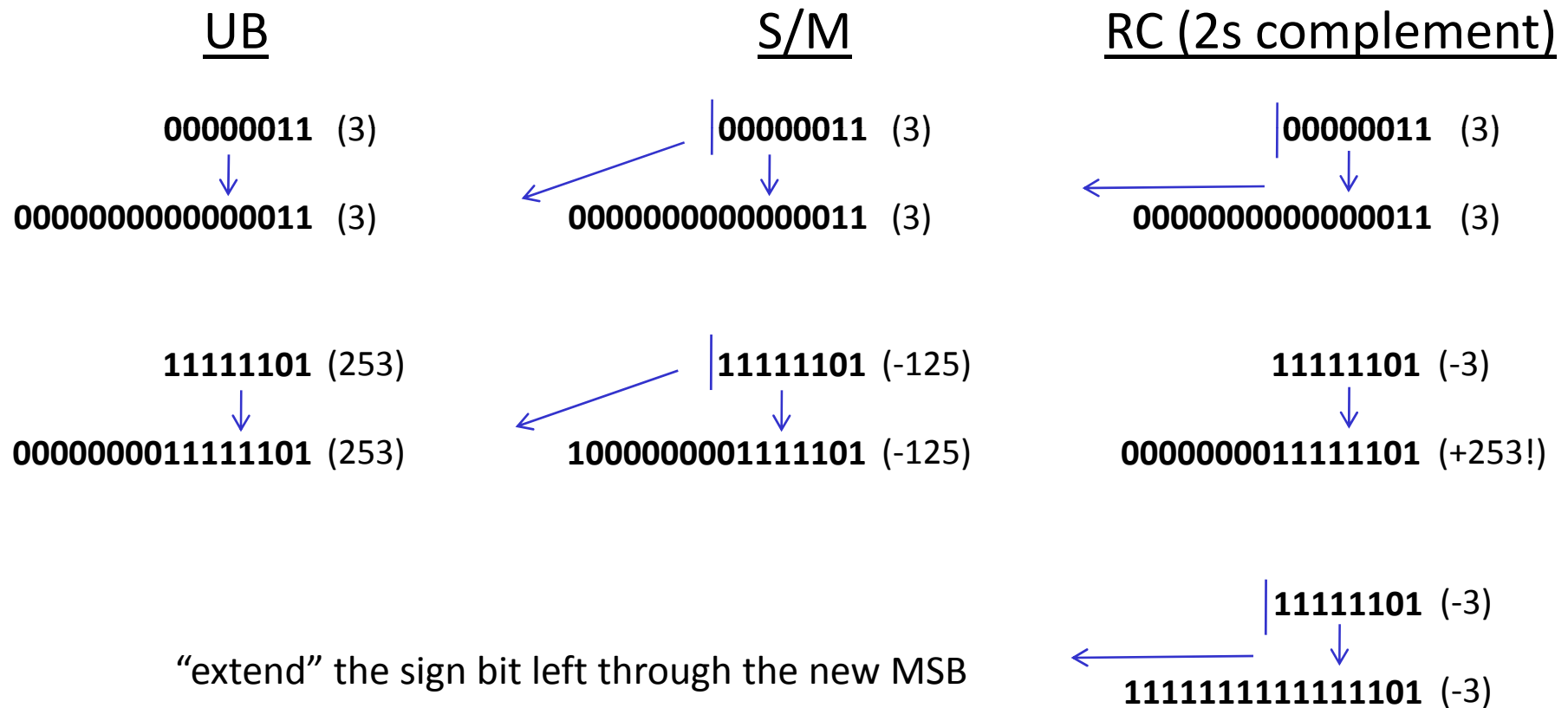
We added two
negative numbers
and got a positive
result!

Overflow!

$$-9 < -(2^3)$$

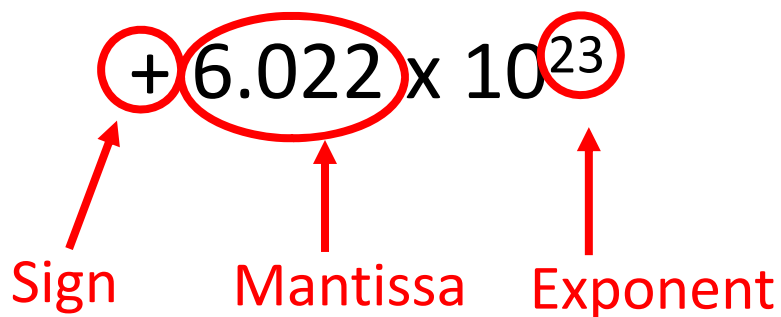
Sign Extension

What happens when you move a number from a smaller word size to a larger one?



Floating Point

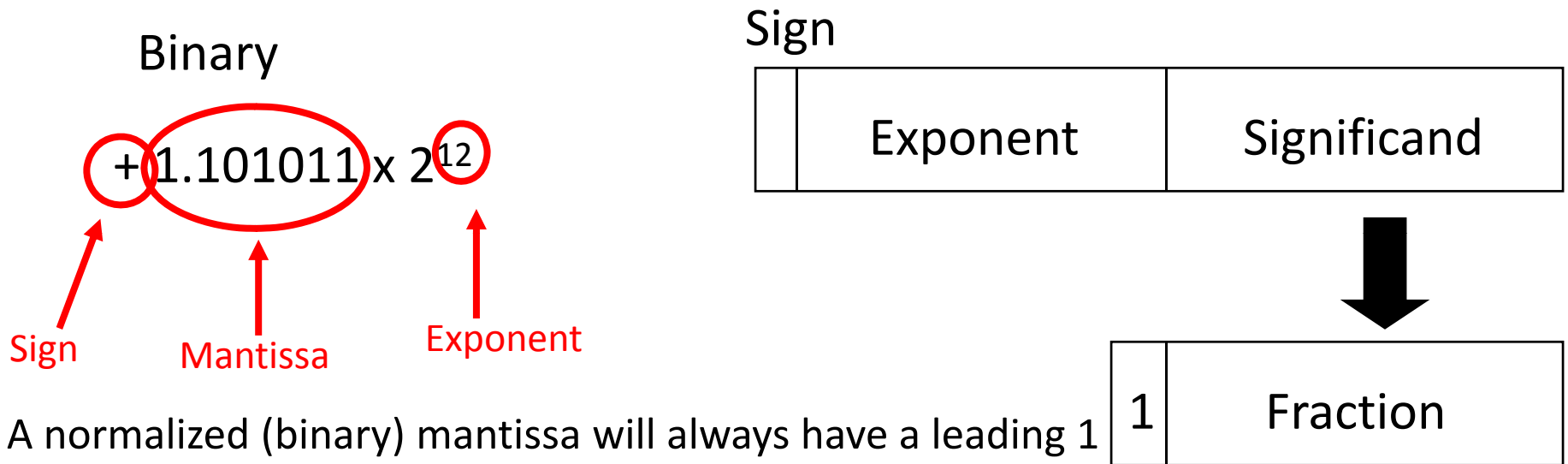
- Need to represent “real” numbers
- Fixed point too restrictive for precision and range
- Not unlike familiar “scientific notation”

The diagram shows the scientific notation $+6.022 \times 10^{23}$. The plus sign, the mantissa '6.022', and the exponent '23' are each circled in red. Red arrows point from the labels 'Sign', 'Mantissa', and 'Exponent' below to their respective circled parts in the notation.

Sign Mantissa Exponent

Normalized mantissa – single digit to left of decimal point

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A normalized (binary) mantissa will always have a leading 1 so we can assume it and get an extra bit of precision instead

Exponents are stored with a bias which is added to the exponent before being stored (allows fast magnitude compare)

Universally used on virtually all computers

Several levels of precision/range: Single, Double, Double-Extended

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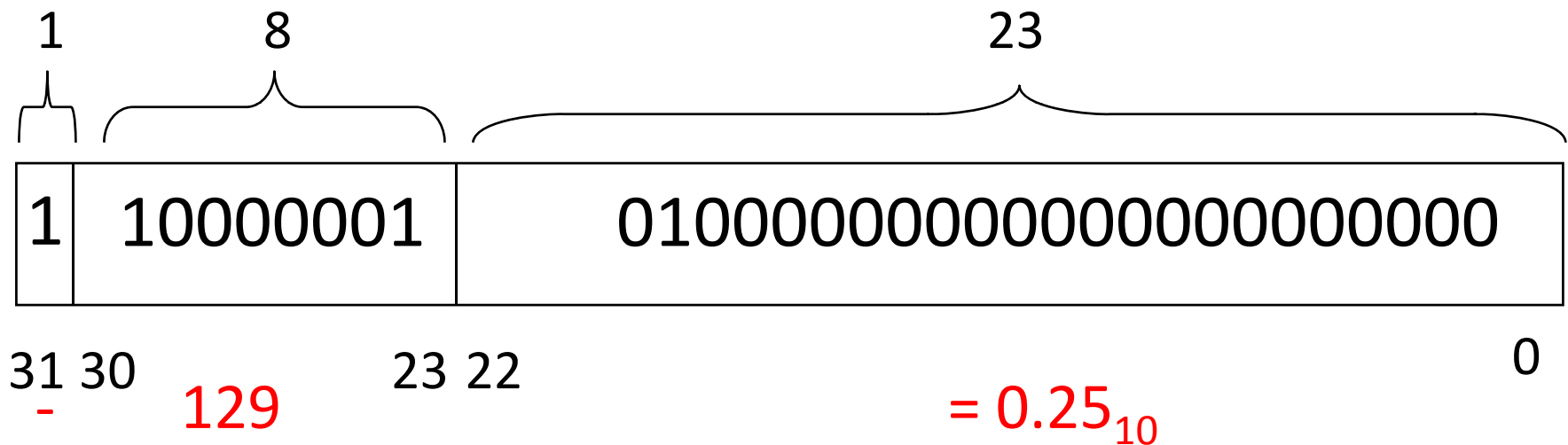
- Single Precision – 32 bits, Bias = 127



$$F = -1^{\text{Sign}} \times (1 + \text{Significand}) \times 2^{(\text{Exponent} - \text{Bias})}$$

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- Example $F = -1^{\text{Sign}} \times (1 + \text{Significand}) \times 2^{(\text{Exponent} - \text{Bias})}$

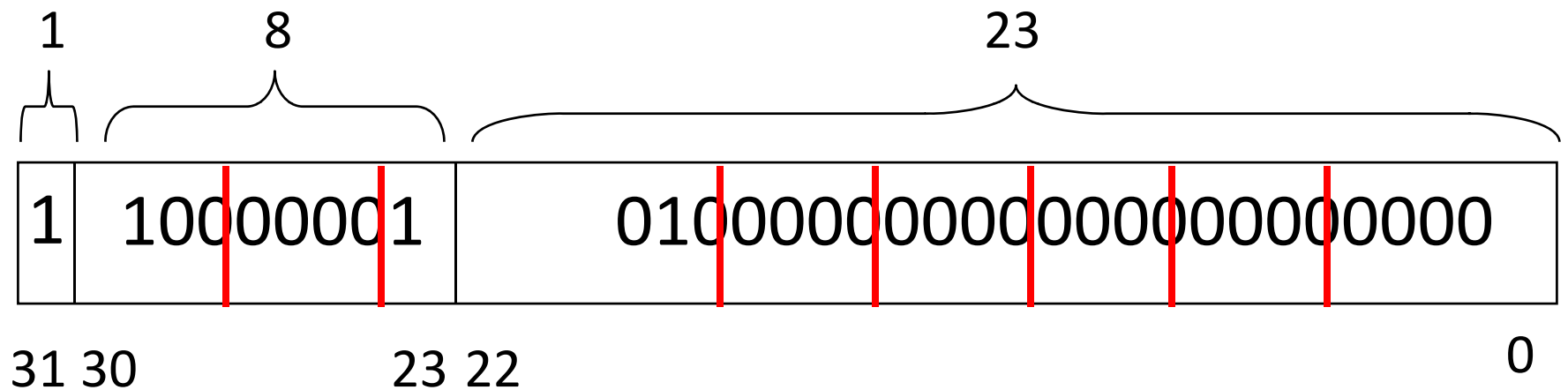


$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -1.01_2 \times 2^{(129-127)} \\
 &= -1.25 \times 2^{(129-127)} \\
 &= -1.25 \times 2^2 \\
 &= -1.25 \times 4 \\
 &= -5.0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= -1.01_2 \times 2^{(129-127)} \\
 &= -1.01_2 \times 2^2 \\
 &= -101_2 \\
 &= -5.0
 \end{aligned}$$

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- Will commonly see these expressed as hex



C0A00000

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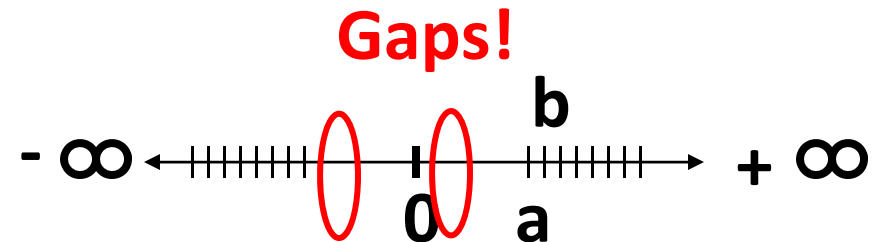
- Some Special Cases
 - Zero (no assumed leading 1)
 - Exponent = 0, Significand = 0
 - NaN (Not a Number), e.g. ∞
 - Exponent = 255
 - Denormalized numbers
 - Exponent = 0, Significand $\neq 0$

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- Why do we need denormalized numbers?
 - Addresses gap caused by implicit leading 1
 - Smallest positive number (a) is $1.000...000 \times 2^{-126}$
 - Next number (b) is $1.000...001 \times 2^{-126} = (2^{-126} + 2^{-149})$

S	Exponent	Significand
1	8	23

0 00000000 000000000000000000000000	= 0
0 00000000 000000000000000000000001	= $1.00000000000000000000000001 \times 2^{-127}$
0 00000000 000000000000000000000010	= $1.00000000000000000000000010 \times 2^{-127}$
0 00000000 000000000000000000000011	= $1.00000000000000000000000011 \times 2^{-127}$
0 00000000 000000000000000000000100	= $1.00000000000000000000000100 \times 2^{-127}$



Distance from zero to smallest positive number is $1.000000000000000000000001 \times 2^{-127} \approx 2^{-127}$

Distance to next number is $0.000000000000000000000001 \times 2^{-127} = 2^{-23} \times 2^{-127} = 2^{-150}$ 29

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- Denormalized Numbers
 - Solution – Non-normalized form
 - Exponent = 0, Significand $\neq 0$
 - Implicit Exponent of -126
 - $F = -1^{\text{Sign}} \times (\text{Significand}) \times 2^{(-126)}$
 - Smallest positive number (a) = $0.000\dots001 \times 2^{-126} = 2^{-149}$
 - Next smallest number (b) = $0.000\dots010 \times 2^{-126} = 2^{-148}$