

CS241

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1. BINARY AND HEXADECIMAL NUMBERS

- (1) bit – binary digits 1 and 0 (all computer understands)
- (2) byte – 8 bits
- (3) word
 - (a) machine specific grouping of bits
 - (b) assume 32-bit architecture
 - (c) 1 word = 32 bits = 4 bytes
- (4) nibble – 4 bits half a byte

1.1. **Given a byte(or word) in memory what does it mean?** Could mean many things.

- (1) A number