

COMP10002 Workshop Week 11

Representation of integers and floats, Ex. 13.1

File Operations: Ex13.2

1. Try your hand at Exercise 11.3, **time limit: 10 minutes**
2. Assignment 2:
 1. make progress & ask questions,
 2. submit on Gradescope

A number can be written using different base

Base 10 (decimal system) uses 10 digits 0..9

Base 2 (binary) uses 2 digits 0..1

Base 16 (hexadecimal) uses 16 digits 0..9, A..F

10 is written using 2 digits: 10

2 is written using 2 digits: 10

16 is written using 2 digits: 10

the number

... $d_3 \ d_2 \ d_1 \ d_0.$ $d_{-1} \ d_{-2} \dots$ (B) (in base B)

has the value

... + $d_3 \times B^3 + d_2 \times B^2 + d_1 \times B^1 + d_0 + d_{-1} \times B^{-1} + d_{-2} \times B^{-2} \dots$

Examples:

$$1011.101_{(2)} = ?_{(10)}$$

$$3A.2_{(16)} = ?_{(10)}$$

Practical advice: for conversions, remember:

128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1	0.5	0.25	0.125
2^7	2^6	2^5	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	2^{-1}	2^{-2}	2^{-3}

Note: Converting between bases 2 and 16 is easy!

$16=2^4 \rightarrow$ 1 hexadecimal digit is equivalent to 4 binary digits.

$110101101_{(2)}$	\Leftrightarrow	$1\ 1010\ 1101_{(2)}$	\Leftrightarrow	$1AD_{(16)}$
11111011011	\Leftrightarrow		\Leftrightarrow	?
111.110001	\Leftrightarrow		\Leftrightarrow	?
?	\Leftrightarrow		\Leftrightarrow	5F.B6

Notes: hexadecimal is normally used for writing binary numbers in a shorter format

Exercises: Converting Decimal → Binary

Recap:

To change a decimal x to binary: represent x as the sum of power of two.

Example: $23.375 = 16 + 0 \times 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 + 0 \times 0.5 + 0.25 + 0.125$

$$2^4 + 2^2 + 2^1 + 2^0 + + 2^{-1} + 2^{-2}$$

So: $23.375 =$

$$10111.011_{(2)}$$

Exercises: $132 \rightarrow_{(2)}$
 $89.375 \rightarrow_{(2)}$

Representation of integers (in computers) using w bits

- Note that we use a fixed amount of bits w
- Make difference between `unsigned` and `signed` integers
(`unsigned int` and `int` in C)

`unsigned` integers :

Range: $0 \dots 2^w - 1$ ($0 \dots 255$ for $w=8$)

Representation: Just convert to binary, then add `0` to the front to have enough w bits.

Examples: represent `89` and `257` as `unsigned int` with $w=8$

Representation of signed integers using w bits

signed integer range: -2^{w-1} to $2^{w-1}-1$
 $(-128 \dots +127 \text{ for } w=8)$
 $(-2^{31} \dots +2^{31}-1 \text{ for } w=32)$

- To represent **signed** integers x :
 - Positive numbers ($x \geq 0$):
 - just like **unsigned**: the binary representation of x in w bits,
 - → the first bit will always be 0 .
 - Popular Method for negative numbers ($x < 0$):
 - using *twos-complement* of $|x|$ in w bit,
 - → the first bit will always be 1 .

Negative int: Finding twos-complement representation in w bits in 3 steps

Suppose that we need to find the twos-complement representation for $-x$, where x is positive, in $w=16$ bits. Do it in 3 steps:

- 1) Write binary representation of $|x|$ in w bits
- 2) Find the **rightmost one-bit**
- 3) Inverse (ie. flip 1 to 0, 0 to 1) all bits on the left of that **rightmost one-bit**

<i>find the 2-comp repr of -40</i>	Bit sequence			
1) bin repr of 40 in 16 bits	0000	0000	0010	1000
2) find the rightmost 1	0000	0000	0010	1000
3) inverse its left	1111	1111	1101	1000

Why? Think about finding $(-x)$ so that $x + (-x) = 0$, where x is a bit pattern.

Ex. 13.01

Suppose that a computer uses $w= 6$ bits to represent integers. Calculate the two-complement representations for 0, 4, 19, -1, -8, and -31; Verify that $19-8 = 11$;

value	representation
0	
4	
19	
35	
-1	
-8	
-31	

verify!		
	19	
+		-8
=	11	

Representation of floats

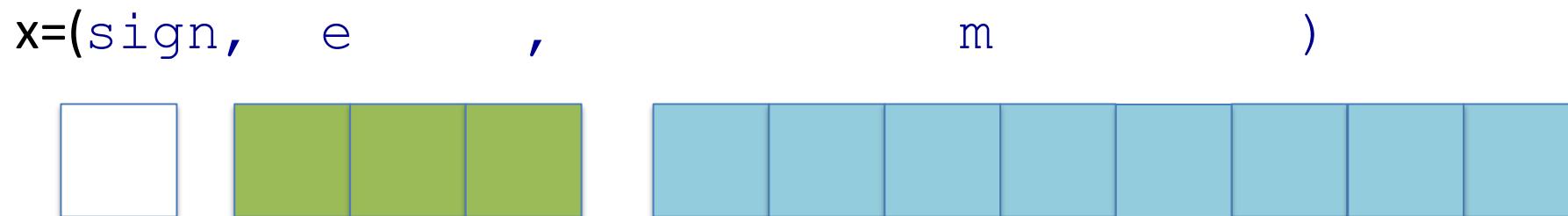
Many different ways! We learnt 2 formats:

- *format-1*: using 16 bits, as described in [lec09.pdf](#) and in the text book
- *format-2* : using 32 bits, which is an [IEEE standard](#), that
 - is employed in most of modern computers for type `int`,
 - is demonstrated in the lecture, and
 - you can experiment with using the program `floatbits.c` ([lec09.pdf](#), around page 26).

General Principle for representing a float x ? (for example, $x = -20.75$) :

- to get rid of the sign (+ or -) and the dot (.) by replacing x with 3 integers: sign s , mantissa m , exponent e so that:
 - s is 0 (for positive) or 1 (for negative)
 - $|x|$ is equivalent to $0.m \times 2^e$ (*format-1*) or $1.m \times 2^e$ (*format-2*)

Representation of floats (format-1: w=16, as described in lec09.pdf)



1 bit

sign

w_e bits

two-compl of e

w_m bits

representation of first n bits of mantissa m

Convert $|x|$ to binary form, and transform so that:

$$|x| = 0.b_0b_1b_2\dots \times 2^e \text{ where } b_0 = 1$$

e is called exponent, $m = b_0b_1b_2\dots$ is called mantissa

x is represented as the triple (sign, e, m) as shown in the diagram.

$|x|$ is equivalent to $0.m \times 2^e$

Ex. 13.02

Suppose $w_s=1$, $w_e=3$, $w_m=12$, what's the representation of 2.0, -2.5, 7.875 ?

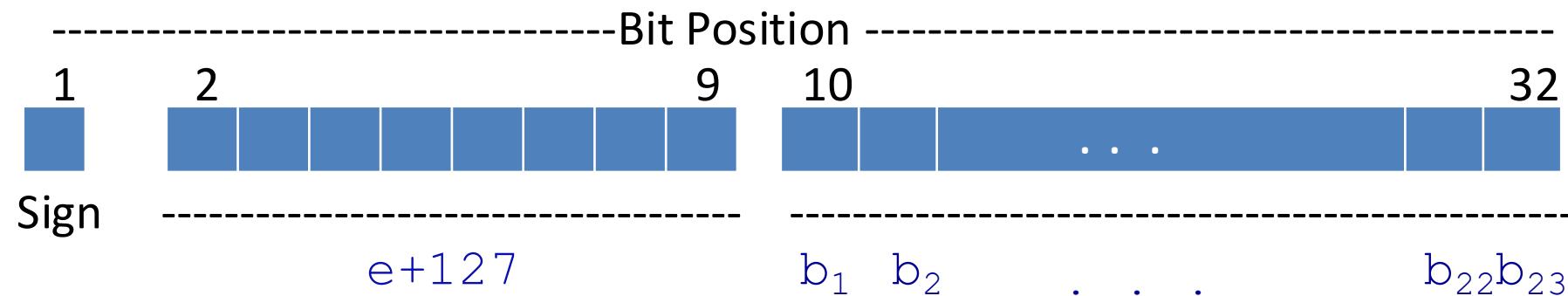
value	binary form	s= ?	m= ?	e= ?	representation
2.0	10.0				
-0.375					
7.875					

Representation of 32-bit float: (format-2: IEEE 754, as in floatbits.c)

$w_s=1$, $w_e=8$, $w_m=23$

$$|x| = 1.b_1b_2\dots \times 2^e$$

$|x|$ is equivalent to $1.m \times 2^e$



Here:

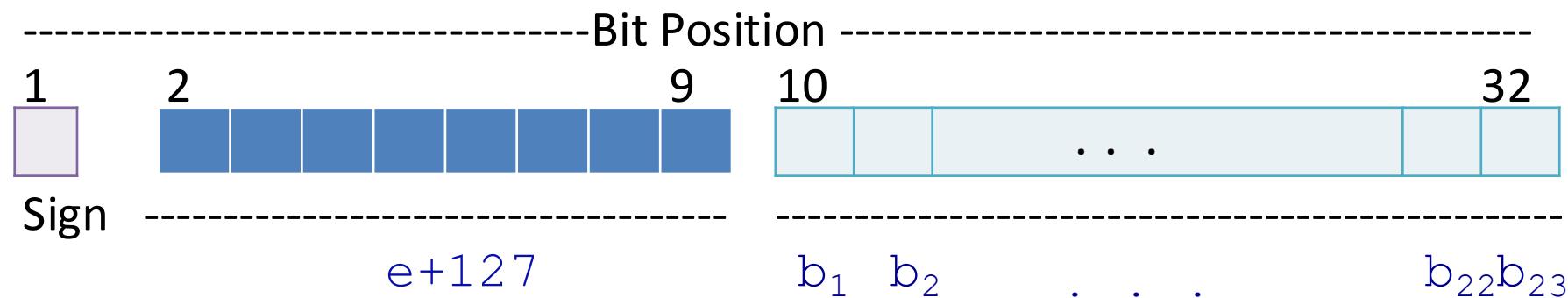
- The sign bit is 0 or 1 as in the previous case
- e is represented in the excess-127 format: as the unsigned value $e+127$ in $w_e=8$ bits
- The integer part 1 is omitted from the representation, and the mantissa is represented as just $b_1b_2\dots b_{23}$

Class Exercise: IEEE representation for -3.375, 0.125

Note: There are 256 possible values for e . But valid e is $-126 \rightarrow +127$, corresponding to bit patterns values 0000 0001 \rightarrow 1111 1110

Representation of 32-bit float: (IEEE 754, as in floatbits.c)

$w_e=8$



Un-important note on the exponent part:

- Valid e is -126 \rightarrow +127, corresponding to bit patterns `0000 0001` \rightarrow `1111 1110`
- Pattern `0000 0000` used for representing `0.0`,
- Pattern `1111 1111` used to represent `infinity`,
- And, `0.0` is all 32 zero-bit, and `infinity` is all 32 one-bit.

Class Exercise: IEEE representation for 3.5

Representation of 32-bit float: (IEEE 754, as in floatbits.c)

- $w_s=1, w_e=8, w_m=23$
- $|x| = 1.m \times 2^e$

Example: $x = -3.5$

In binary: $x = -11.1 \rightarrow |x| = 1.11 \times 2^1$

→ sign bit: 1

→ $e=1$ is represented as $e+127=128$ in 8 bits

→ e is represented as

→ m= 23-bit mantissa: 110 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000

→ Final representation:

0100 0000 0110 0000 0000 0000 0000

or 4 0 6 0 0 0 0 0 (16)

LAB TIME: Assignment 2 + exercise 11.3

- **2b|~2b** : do exercise 11.3 in less than 10 minutes
- Work on assignment 2, ask questions

LAB: (Do Assignment 2 || Do Ex 11.3) && Q&A for Assignment 2

Ex 11.3: The Unix `tee` command writes its `stdin` through to `stdout` in the same way that the `cat` command does. But it also creates an additional copy of the file into each of the filenames listed on the command-line when it is executed.

Implement a simple version of this command.

Hint: you will need an array of files all opened for writing.

```
./program file1 file2
```

```
Hello world!
```

```
[^D]
```

```
Hello world!
```

[The program will also create two files named `file1` and `file2`, both containing "Hello world!\n" as the file content.]

```
// here is an implementation of command cat
// change it to that for tee
```

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    char c;

    while ( (c=getchar()) != EOF) {
        putchar(c);
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Additional Slides

Decimal \rightarrow Binary: A procedure for converting Integer Part

Changing integer x to binary: Just divide x and the subsequent quotients by 2 until getting zero. The sequence of remainders, in reverse order of appearance, is the binary form of x .

Example: 23

operation	quoation	remainder
$23 : 2$	11	1
$11 : 2$	5	1
$5 : 2$	2	1
$2 : 2$	1	0
$1 : 2$	0	1

$$\text{So: } 23 = 10111_{(2)} \quad 11 = ?_{(2)} \quad 46 = ?_{(2)}$$

Decimal → Binary: General Method for the Fraction Part

Problem: Converting fraction could be complicated

$$0.1 = 0 \times 0.5 + 0 \times 0.25 + 0 \times 0.125 + 0.0625 + 0.0375 (= \dots)$$

Easy method: Multiply it, and subsequent fractions, by 2 until getting zero.
Result = sequence of integer parts of results, in appearance order. Examples:

0.375			0.1		
operation	int	fraction	operation	int	fraction
.375 × 2	0	.75	.1 × 2	0	.2
.75 × 2	1	.5	.2 × 2	0	.4
.5 × 2	1	.0	.4 × 2	0	.8
			.8 × 2	1	.6
			.6 × 2	1	.2

$$\text{So: } 0.375 = 0.\mathbf{011}_{(2)}$$

$$0.1 = 0.\mathbf{00011(0011)}_{(2)}$$

part inside () is repeated indefinitely