

# **Chapter 1:**

## **Integer representations in computer systems (Review)**

### **Topics:**

**Unsigned representations**

**Signed representations**

**Signed binary and hexadecimal arithmetic**

**Reading: Patterson and Hennessy 2.4, 3.2**

# Internal Representation of Integers

Unsigned integers (non-negative)

signed integers

Fixed number of digits

## Decimal number system

\* base (or radix) = 10

\* digits: 0, 1, 2, ... , 9

**Example:**

$$(739)_{10}$$

$$= 7 \times 10^2 + 3 \times 10^1 + 9 \times 10^0$$

**Rules:**

1) number digit positions 0,1,2..., right to left

2) multiply by radix to (digit position) power

## Binary number system

- \* base 2
- \* digits: 0, 1
- \* binary digit: **bit**

### **Example:**

Convert this binary number to decimal:

$$(1011)_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1 \times 2^3 + 0 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0 \\ &= 8 + 0 + 2 + 1 \\ &= 11 \end{aligned}$$

Useful information: powers of 2 are...

$$2^4 = 16, 2^5 = 32, 2^6 = 64, 2^7 = 128$$

$$2^8 = 256, 2^9 = 512, 2^{10} = 1024$$

**Table 1: All possible unsigned 4-bit binary numbers**

binary	decimal
0000	0
0001	1
0010	2
0011	3
0100	4
0101	5
0110	6
0111	7
1000	8
1001	9
1010	10
1011	11
1100	12
1101	13
1110	14
1111	15

## **Example: 8-bit unsigned binary number**

$$(10010101)_2$$

Convert to decimal:

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2^7 + 2^4 + 2^2 + 2^0 \\ &= 128 + 16 + 4 + 1 \\ &= 149 \end{aligned}$$

**Computer hardware is based on digital logic circuits; data is represented using binary system.**

## Convert decimal numbers to binary numbers

### **Method 1 (slow but intuitive):**

break up into sum of powers of 2

### **Example:**

$$(249)_{10}$$

$$= 128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 1$$

$$= 2^7 + 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^0$$

$$= (1111\ 1001)_2$$

## Convert decimal numbers to binary numbers

### **Method 2 (shortcut):**

- 1) divide by 2
- 2) write down remainder
- 3) repeat until quotient = 0
- 4) combine remainders in reverse order (bottom to top)

### **Example:**

$$(249)_{10}$$

$$249/2 = 124; \text{ rem} = 1$$

$$124/2 = 62; \text{ rem} = 0$$

$$62/2 = 31; \text{ rem} = 0$$

$$31/2 = 15; \text{ rem} = 1$$

$$15/2 = 7; \text{ rem} = 1$$

$$7/2 = 3; \text{ rem} = 1$$

$$3/2 = 1; \text{ rem} = 1$$

$$1/2 = 0; \text{ rem} = 1$$

$$249 = (1111\ 1001)_2$$

## Hexadecimal (hex) number system

\* base 16

\* digits: 0, 1, 2, ..., 9, A, B, C, D, E, F

(shorthand for binary)

**Example: (0x means base 16)**

Convert 3-digit hex int to decimal:

**$0x38F$**

$$= 3 \times 16^2 + 8 \times 16^1 + 15 \times 16^0$$

$$= 3 \times 256 + 8 \times 16 + 15$$

$$= 911$$



## Convert unsigned decimal int to hex

Method 1: break into sums of powers of 16

**305**

$$= 1 \times 256 + 3 \times 16 + 1$$

$$= 1 \times 16^2 + 3 \times 16^1 + 1 \times 16^0$$

$$= 0x131$$

Method 2: divide repeatedly by 16

**305**

$$305/16 = 19, \text{ rem} = 1$$

$$19/16 = 1, \text{ rem} = 3$$

$$1/16 = 0, \text{ rem} = 1$$

$$305 = 0x131$$

## Convert hexadecimal numbers to binary numbers

one hexadecimal digit = 4 bits

start at least significant (rightmost) digit

**Example:**

**0x5B3**

5 = 0101, B = 1011, 3 = 0011

0x5B3 = (0101 1011 0011)<sub>2</sub>

**Convert binary ints to hex (reverse):**

**group bits into groups of 4**

**start at right most bit**

## Octal number system

- \* base 8

- \* digits: 0, 1, 2, ..., 7

Convert octal to decimal:

- 1) number digit positions 0,1,2... right to left

- 2) multiply each digit by radix to (digit position) power

Convert octal to binary:

each octal digit = 3 bits

## Unsigned integer addition

Binary:

$$\begin{array}{r} 0110 \\ + 0011 \\ \hline 1001 \end{array}$$

Hexadecimal:

$$\begin{array}{r} 3de \\ + 782 \\ \hline b60 \end{array}$$

## Unsigned integer subtraction

Binary:

$$\begin{array}{r} 1010 \\ - 0100 \\ \hline 0110 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 01001011 \\ - 00110100 \\ \hline 00010111 \end{array}$$

## Systems for representing signed integers:

1. sign-magnitude (SM)
2. one's complement (OC) (*skip*)
3. two's complement (TC)

## Binary Sign-magnitude

### **Rules:**

- 1) most significant (leftmost) bit is sign bit  
non-negative if sign bit = 0,  
negative if sign bit = 1
- 2) non-negative numbers same as unsigned
- 3) rest of bits represents magnitude of integer

## Convert 8-bit binary SM to decimal:

$$0010\ 0101 = +\ 010\ 0101 = 32 + 4 + 1 = 37$$

Convert binary SM to decimal:

$$1110\ 0101 = -\ 0110\ 0101$$

$$= -\ (64 + 32 + 4 + 1)$$

$$= -\ 101$$

## Convert decimal to 8-bit binary SM:

$$X = -13 = ??$$

$$-X = 13 = 0000\ 1101$$

$$X = 1000\ 1101$$

Dirty zero problem in SM:

$$(0000)_2 = 0$$

$$(1000)_2 = -0 = 0$$

**Two different representations for zero**  
**Not suitable for fast hardware implementa-**  
**tions**

## One's Complement (OC):

### **Rules:**

1) most significant (leftmost) bit is sign bit  
non-negative if sign bit = 0,  
negative if sign bit = 1

2) non-negative numbers same as unsigned

3) to negate a OC binary int:

flip/complement each bit



## Convert 8-bit OC binary to decimal:

$$(1100\ 0101)_2 = - (0011\ 1010)_2 \\ = - (32+16+8+2) = - 58$$

## Convert decimal to 8-bit OC binary:

$$-58 = ??$$

$$\text{Let } X = -58$$

$$-X = 58 = (0011\ 1010)_2$$

$$X = (1100\ 0101)_2$$

Dirty zero problem in OC:

$$(0000)_2 = 0$$

$$(1111)_2 = -0 = 0$$

# Two's complement

## Rules:

- 1) most significant (leftmost) bit is sign bit  
non-negative if sign bit = 0,  
negative if sign bit = 1
- 2) non-negative numbers same as unsigned
- 3) to negate a two's complement binary number,
  - i. complement (or flip) each bit
  - ii. add 1 (**discard carry out**)

### **Example:**

Convert 8-bit TC binary int to decimal:

$$(00100110)_2$$

$$= 32 + 4 + 2 = 38$$

### **Example:**

Negate TC binary int:

$$(00100110)_2$$

$$X = (0010\ 0110)_2$$

$$-X = (1101\ 1001)_2 + 1 = (1101\ 1010)_2$$

## Example:

Convert -29 to 8-bit TC binary:

Let  $X = -29$

$-X = 29 = 0001\ 1101$

$X = 1110\ 0010 + 1 = 1110\ 0011$

## Shortcut for negating binary TC int:

- 1) look for rightmost bit == 1
- 2) complement each bit to the left
- 3) (all other bits stay the same)

Example:

$X = (1011\ \underline{1}000)_2$  [rightmost 1 is underlined]

$-X = (01001000)_2$

## Another way to convert TC binary int to decimal:

\* for n-bit ints, digit position n-1 is  $-2^{(n-1)}$

Examples:

$$\begin{aligned} X &= (1110\ 0011)_2 \\ &= -128 + 64 + 32 + 2 + 1 = -29 \end{aligned}$$

### **No dirty zeros in TC:**

$$(0000)_2 = 0$$

Try to construct negative zero:

$$-(0000)_2 = (1111)_2 + 1 = 1\ 0000$$

Discard carryout:  $-0 = (0000)_2$  !

### **Sign-extension in TC:**

(writing the same integer, but with more bits)

$$4\text{-bit to } 8\text{-bit: } (0101)_2 = (0000\ 0101)_2$$

$$4\text{-bit to } 8\text{-bit: } (1101)_2 = (1111\ 1101)_2$$

Extend (or duplicate) the sign bit.

## Comparison of four integer systems (4 bits):

	Unsigned	SM	OC	TC
0000	0	0	0	0
0001	1	1	1	1
0010	2	2	2	2
0011	3	3	3	3
0100	4	4	4	4
0101	5	5	5	5
0110	6	6	6	6
0111	7	7	7	7
1000	8	0	-7	-8
1001	9	-1	-6	-7
1010	10	-2	-5	-6
1011	11	-3	-4	-5
1100	12	-4	-3	-4
1101	13	-5	-2	-3
1110	14	-6	-1	-2
1111	15	-7	0	-1

## Range of binary integer representations:

Unsigned:

4-bit: 0 to 15 = 0 to  $(2^4 - 1)$

N-bit: 0 to  $(2^N - 1)$

SM:

4-bit: -7 to 7 =  $-(2^3 - 1)$  to  $(2^3 - 1)$

N-bit:  $-(2^{N-1} - 1)$  to  $(2^{N-1} - 1)$

TC:

4-bit: -8 to 7 =  $(-2^3)$  to  $(2^3 - 1)$

N-bit:  $(-2^{N-1})$  to  $(2^{N-1} - 1)$

## Range of integer data types:

short (usually 16 bits)

$(-2^{16-1})$  to  $(2^{16-1} - 1)$ , or  
-32768 to 32767

int (usually 32 bits)

$(-2^{32-1})$  to  $(2^{32-1} - 1)$ , or  
-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647

long (usually 64 bits)

$(-2^{64-1})$  to  $(2^{64-1} - 1)$



## Two's complement arithmetic

similar to unsigned

- 1) treat sign bit as numeric bit
- 2) if carry out is produced, discard it
- 3) check for overflow

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{r} 11010110 \\ + 11100001 \\ \hline 110110111 \\ \text{discard carryout: ans} = 10110111 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 01111111 \\ + 00000001 \\ \hline 10000000 \end{array}$$

sum of two non-negative numbers cannot give negative result! *Overflow* occurred.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10000000 \\
 + 11111111 \\
 \hline
 1\ 01111111
 \end{array}$$

sum of two negative integers cannot give non-negative result! *Overflow* occurred.

## Definition of overflow:

Overflow is an error condition in which the result of a computation does not fit into the available number of bits.

In TC arithmetic:

- 1) if we add 2 positive integers and get a negative result, or
  - 2) if we add 2 negative integers and get a positive result,
- we have overflow.

Consider Java code:

```
int sum = 0, i;  
for (i=0; i<10; i++) {  
    sum = sum + 1000000000;  
    System.out.println(sum);  
}
```

Compile and run; program output:

```
1000000000  
2000000000  
-1294967296  
-294967296 [etc etc]
```

## Two's complement subtraction

$$X - Y = X + (-Y)$$

**Example:**

$$X = 1001\ 0010$$

$$Y = 0101\ 1111$$

$$-Y = 1010\ 0001$$

$$X - Y = 1001\ 0010 + 1010\ 0001$$

$$= 1\ 00110011$$

Discard carryout; result = 0011 0011

overflow occurred

[Note: for subtraction, check  $X + (-Y)$ , using the overflow check for addition!]

## Two's complement hexadecimal

### Rules:

- 1) most significant (leftmost) digit is sign digit  
non-negative if sign digit =  
negative if sign digit =
- 2) non-negative integers same as unsigned
- 3) to negate a two's complement hex int,
  - i. subtract each digit from f
  - ii. add 1 (**discard carry out**)

## Examples:

Convert 2-digit TC hex int to decimal

**X = 0xab**

$$-X = 0xff - 0xab + 1 = 0x55$$

$$= 5 \times 16 + 5 = 85$$

$$X = -85$$

Convert decimal int to 2-digit TC hex:

**X = -73**

$$-X = 73 = 4 \times 16 + 9 = 0x49$$

$$X = 0xff - 0x49 + 1 = 0xb6 + 1 = 0xb7$$

## TC hex addition/subtraction:

0x5678 + 0x432b

0x5678

0x432b

0x99a3, overflow

0xdcba + 0xe2f3

0xdcba

0xe2f3

0x1bfad

discard carryout; result = 0xbfad

0x1cba - 0xbd0d

= 0x1cba + - (0xbd0d)

= 0x1cba + 0xffff - 0xbd0d + 1

= 0x1cba + 0x42f3

0x1cba

0x42f3

0x5fad

(CSc 256 Lab manual:

<http://unixlab.sfsu.edu/~whsu/csc256/LABS/>)

Lab exercises for Chapter 1:

Lab 1.1: Binary and hexadecimal exercises

Lab 1.2: Setting up spim / xspim (ready soon!)



## CSc 256 Lab 1.1: Practice Exercise #1 on arithmetic

This file can be found at

<http://unixlab.sfsu.edu/~whsu/csc256/LABS/DOCS/ex1.txt>

For problems 1-9, solutions can be found in

<http://unixlab.sfsu.edu/~whsu/csc256/LABS/DOCS/ex1soln.txt>

1) Consider the 16-bit binary integer  $X = 1001\ 0000\ 0000\ 0011$ .

Convert  $X$  to decimal if  $X$  is

- a. unsigned   b. in sign-magnitude notation
- c. in one's complement notation   d. in two's complement notation

For problems 2-6, assume all integers are in binary and in two's complement notation. Remember to indicate overflow if necessary.

2)  $0110\ 1010 + 1001\ 1110 = ?$

3)  $1001\ 1111 + 1001\ 0001 = ?$

4)  $1000\ 1111 - 0001\ 0000 = ?$

5)  $0001\ 0010 - 0010\ 1111 = ?$

6)  $1111\ 1010 - 1110\ 1110 = ?$

For problems 7-9, assume all integers are in hexadecimal and two's complement notation. Remember to indicate overflow if necessary.

7)  $0x2AF6 + 0x7017 = ?$

8)  $0x345E + 0xFFAB = ?$

9)  $0x966A - 0x6996 = ?$