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## Lecture 3

# Sign and Unsigned Numbers



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# n-bit Unsigned Numbers



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**Unsigned number** = positive number

8-bits unsigned numbers



from 0 to 255

**n-bit unsigned numbers  
range from 0 to  $2^n - 1$**

Binary  
0000 0000

0000 0001

0000 0010

...

...

1111 1101

1111 1110

1111 1111

Decimal

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# Signed Numbers – First Attempt



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How do we represent negative integers in binary?



In decimal we represent numbers by prefixing them with a “–” sign  
 $(-0110)_2 = (-)$  **not** work on computers!!

There is no (–) sign

But we could still use

**sign bit** and **magnitude**

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0 for positive  
1 for negative

0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
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$(6)_{10}$

1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
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$(-6)_{10}$

sign bit      magnitude

Difficult to add two numbers

- Check signs: if both signs are the same, add both numbers ...
- ... if not compare magnitudes: subtract smaller number from larger one ...
- ... decide on the sign of the result

**Yikes! We need to do better!**

# Signed Numbers & Complements



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The sign and magnitude method does not work well on computers



not for integers or fixed point arithmetic

Modern computers use 2's complement for signed numbers

Both 1's and 2's complement work only in context of a **fixed word length**

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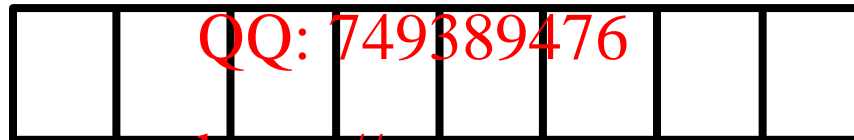
Two ingredients for complements:

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1.  $n$  = word length in bits

= size of the register

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$n = 8$  bits

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2.  $N$  = Binary number we want to complement

# n-bit Ones' Complement



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**n-bit 1's complement** of a binary number is obtained by flipping its bits



Given binary number  $N$  and size  $n$

- fill the register – i.e., zero the number as needed to have  $n$  bits
- flip all bits – i.e., swap a 0 with a 1 and vice versa

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e.g.  $N = 101101$      $n = 8$  bits     $\Rightarrow$  **8-bit ones' complement**

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$N = 101101$

0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

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8-bit ones'  
complement

1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
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Same idea for  $n = 16$  bits – only more bits to fill and toggle




# Ones' Complement

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Why is it called **ones' complement**?

$N = 101101$

8-bit ones'  
complement  
of  $N$



1	0	1	1	0	1
---	---	---	---	---	---

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1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

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all ones  
 $2^8 - 1$

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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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n-bit ones  
complement of  $N = 2^n - 1 - N$

# Ones' Complement



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What purpose does the one's complement serve?

⇒ Not much – at least in computers



However, some earlier computers used 1's complement for signed numbers  
i.e., to express  $-41$  use 1's complement of 41,  $N = 101001$

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Does it work? Yes, it does. But there are some issues

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e.g., normally  $41 + (-41) = 0$  Email: [tutorcs@163.com](mailto:tutorcs@163.com)

with ones' complement method

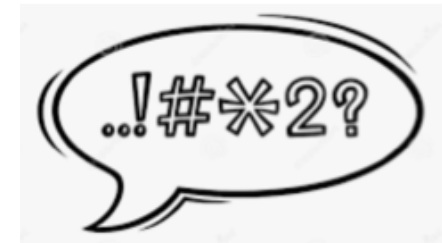
$$00101001 + 11010110 = 11111111$$

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there are two representations of zero with ones' complement

00000000 and 11111111





# Two's Complement



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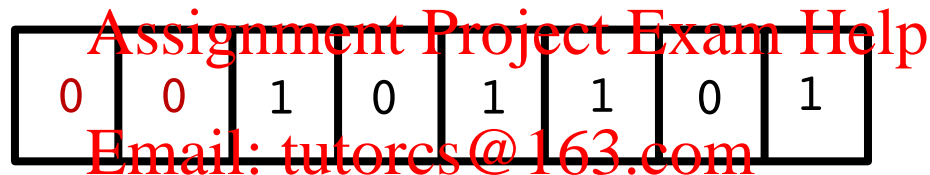
The **2's complement** of a binary number is obtained by adding 1 to its ones' complement

Given binary number  $N$  and size  $n$

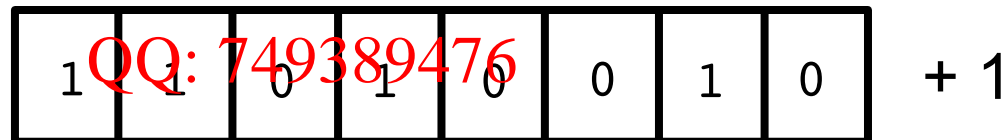
- fill the register – i.e., zero the number as needed to have  $n$  bits
- flip all bits – i.e.,  $0 \leftrightarrow 1$
- **add 1**

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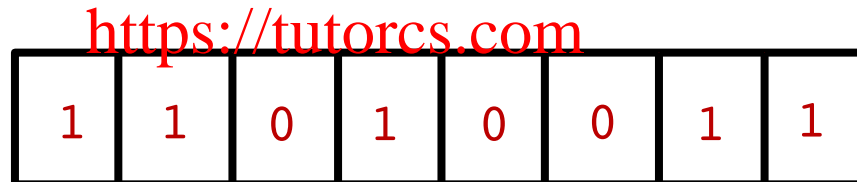
$N = 101101$



8-bit ones' complement



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⇒ **8-bit two's complement**

# 2's Complement – The Shortcut



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There is a shortcut to write the **2's complement** of a binary number



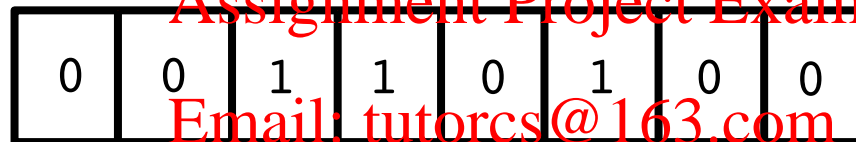
Given binary number  $N$  and size  $n$

- fill the register – i.e., zeros – to the number as needed to have  $n$  bits
- **leave the least significant zeros and first 1 unchanged**
- **flip all remaining bits**

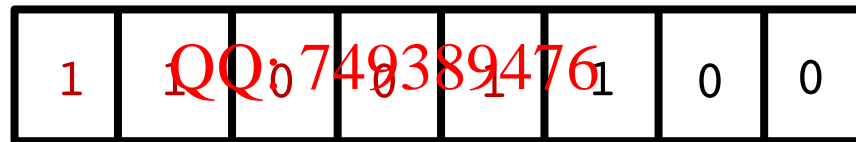
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$N = 110100$



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**flip**

**leave  
unchanged**

⇒ **8-bit two's  
complement**



# Two's Complement

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Why is it called **two's complement**?

**Power of two's complement**

$N = 101101$

8-bit two's complement



1	0	1	1	0	1		
---	---	---	---	---	---	--	--

+

1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

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**Power of 2**

1

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

$= 2^8$

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$n\text{-bit two's complement of } N$   
 $= 2^n - N$

if  $N \neq 0$

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# Two's Complement



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A better definition of **two's complement**

n-bit two's  
complement of N



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$$2^n - N \quad \text{if } N \neq 0$$

$$0 \quad \text{if } N = 0$$

Compare to ones' complement

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n-bit ones'  
complement of N

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$$= 2^n - 1 - N$$

We see:

$$2\text{'s complement} = 1\text{'s complement} + 1$$

Works for zero  
when restricted  
to n-bits

# Signed Numbers w/ 2's Complement



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Use **two's complement representation** for signed numbers

modern c — including our MCU — use this method



- If a number N is positive, binary representation of N
- If N is negative, use two's complement of absolute value of N

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e.g. +/- 43

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43

0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
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- 43

+

1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

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2's complement  
of |-43|

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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# Does this work?

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Is this consistent with the rules of arithmetic?

- $N + (-N) = 0$



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- $-(-N) = N$



We get the original N when we complement twice

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- Successors and predecessor relationships are consistent with incrementing and decrementing

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$$(1)_{10} = 0001$$

$$(-1)_{10} = 1111$$

$$(2)_{10} = 0010$$

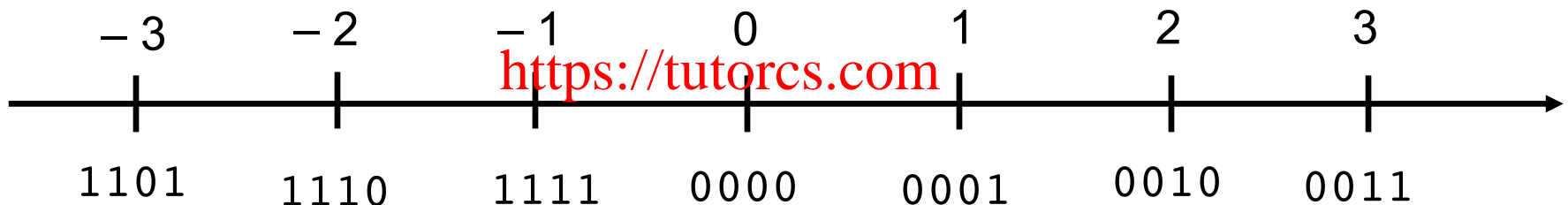
$$(-2)_{10} = 1110$$

$$(3)_{10} = 0011$$

$$(-3)_{10} = 1101$$

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# Signed Numbers



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8-bits can represent 256 distinct values

8-bit unsigned numbers range from 0 to 255

**n-bit signed numbers**  
–  $2^{n-1}$  to  $2^{n-1} - 1$



**not** sign-  
magnitude

Decimal

**negative  
numbers**  
start with a “1”

1000 0000 -128

1000 0001 -127

1111 1110 -2

1111 1111 -1

2's complement  
of the absolute value

**positive  
numbers**  
start with a “0”

0000 0000 0

0000 0001 1

0111 1110 126

0111 1111 127

binary representation  
of the number

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# Signed Numbers



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Given 2's complement signed numbers find the decimal values

- 0110 1001

Positive Number 105



- 1101 0001

Negative Number  $(11010001)_2 = 209$

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-47

2's complement is  $256 - 209 = 47$

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2's complement of 11010001 is 00101111

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- 0010 1010

Positive Number 42

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- 1110 1110

Negative Number - 18



# Addition of Signed/Unsigned Numbers



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Computers add all numbers using the same hardware – they do not



distinction between signed or unsigned numbers

Unsigned Number  
Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{r} 43 \\ + 18 \\ \hline 61 \end{array}$$

overflow possible  
did not happen

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00101011

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Signed Number  
Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{r} 43 \\ + 18 \\ \hline 61 \end{array}$$

overflow possible  
did not happen

# Addition of Signed/Unsigned Numbers



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Computers add all numbers using the same hardware – they do not



distinction between signed or unsigned numbers

Unsigned Number  
Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{r} 213 \\ + 18 \\ \hline 231 \end{array}$$

overflow possible  
did not happen

Signed Number  
Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{r} 11010101 \\ + 00010010 \\ \hline 11100111 \end{array}$$

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overflow **not** possible!

# Addition of Signed/Unsigned Numbers



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Unsigned Number  
Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{r} 43 \\ + 238 \\ \hline 281 \end{array}$$

**overflow!**

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Signed Number  
Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{r} 43 \\ + -18 \\ \hline 25 \end{array}$$

overflow **not** possible!

carry out of “sign bit”

# Addition of Signed/Unsigned Numbers



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Computers add all numbers using the same hardware – they do not



distinction between signed or unsigned numbers

Unsigned Number  
Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{r} 213 \\ + 238 \\ \hline 451 \end{array}$$

**overflow!**

Signed Number  
Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{r} -43 \\ + -18 \\ \hline -61 \end{array}$$

overflow possible  
did not happen

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