

CS-341 Lecture 6

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Assigning Numeric Values to 4-bit Numbers

Binary	Unsigned	Sign-Magnitude	Biased (8)	One's Complement	Two's Complement
0000	0	+0	-8	+0	0
0001	1	+1	-7	+1	+1
0010	2	+2	-6	+2	+2
0011	3	+3	-5	+3	+3
0100	4	+4	-4	+4	+4
0101	5	+5	-3	+5	+5
0110	6	+6	-2	+6	+6
0111	7	+7	-1	+7	+7
1000	8	-0	0	-7	-8
1001	9	-1	+1	-6	-7
1010	10	-2	+2	-5	-6
1011	11	-3	+3	-4	-5
1100	12	-4	+4	-3	-4
1101	13	-5	+5	-2	-3
1110	14	-6	+6	-1	-2
1111	15	-7	+7	0	-1

Two's Complement Encoding

- Using n bits to represent values, the range is -2^{n-1} to $+2^{n-1}-1$
- Consider the leftmost bit to have a negative weight.
 - Useful when changing word size: *sign extension*.
 - Also makes it easy to evaluate numbers.
- Negate by subtracting from zero
 - Equivalent to "flip bits and add 1"
- Subtract by negating minuend and adding
- Carry is normal and usually ignored.
- Overflow is when correct value cannot be represented in n bits.

The Leftmost Bit Has a Negative Weight

- $1101 = -2^3 + 2^2 + 2^0$
 - $\square = -8 + 4 + 1$
 - $\square = -3$
- $11101 = -2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^0$
 - $\square = -16 + 8 + 4 + 1$
 - $\square = -3$
 - Because $-8 \equiv -16 + 8$

Sign Extension

- $1111\ 1111\ 1111\ 1111\ 1111\ 1111\ 1001_2$
 - Same as 1001_2 (-7)

BUT:

- $1011\ 1111\ 1111\ 1111\ 1111\ 1111\ 1001_2$
 - Equals $-2^{31} + 2^{29} + 2^{28} + 2^{27} + 2^{26} + 2^{25} + \dots$

Negate by Subtracting from Zero

- $(0 - X) = -X$
- In n bits, zero is the same as 2^n
 - For example, 2^4 is 10000_2
- For any n 2^n-1 is n -many ones.
 - For example, 2^4-1 is 15, which is 1111_2
- If you subtract from 2^n-1 , there will never be any borrows.
 - Only two cases: $1-0$ is 1 and $1-1$ is 0

Two's Complement Negation

- When using two's complement encoding for numbers, "taking the two's complement" means to negate the value of a number.
- Subtract from zero, which is the same as subtracting from $2^n - 1$ and adding 1, which is the same as flipping the bits and adding 1.
 - Positive numbers become negative
 - Negative numbers become positive
 - Zero becomes zero
 - But -2^{n-1} becomes ... -2^{n-1}

Two's Complement Subtraction

- Negate the minuend (second operand), and add.
 - $X - Y = X + (-Y)$
- ALU design: just one circuit for adding, plus a small amount of logic for negating the minuend instead of a whole other circuit for subtracting.
 - Simpler to design *and* faster execution.
- A carry out of the leftmost position is normal, and may be ignored.
 - May be used for multiple-precision arithmetic.

Two's Complement Overflow

- If the result of an addition is bigger than $+2^{n-1} - 1$ or less than -2^{n-1} , the correct answer cannot be represented with n bits, and *overflow* has occurred.
- Carry into the leftmost position will be unequal to the carry out of the leftmost position *iff* overflow occurs.
 - Adding a positive value to a negative value cannot overflow.
 - Add two positives: sign bit of 1 indicates overflow
 - Add two negatives: sign bit of 0 indicates overflow

Floating-Point Encoding

- Real numbers: range from $-\infty$ to $+\infty$
 - Infinitely many values between any two points on the number line.
- Many schemes, but virtually all computers now use IEEE-754 encoding.
- All schemes based on scientific notation
 - Signed fraction * base^{Signed exponent}
 - The base doesn't have to be encoded
 - It's always base two for IEEE-754

IEEE-754 Encoding

- Two formats, using 32 and 64 bits
 - Correspond to Java's float and double data types.
 - Sign of fraction: 1 bit
 - Signed exponent: 8 bits (biased-127) or 11 bits (biased-1023) for 32 and 64-bit formats.
 - Value of fraction: 23 or 52 bits for 32 and 64-bit formats.