

## Signed Binary Arithmetic

- In the “real world” of mathematics, computers must represent both positive and negative binary numbers.
- For example, even when dealing with positive arguments, mathematical operations may produce a negative result:
  - **Example:  $124 - 237 = -113$ .**
- Thus needs to be a consistent method of representing negative numbers in binary computer arithmetic operations.
- There are various approaches, but they all involve using one of the digits of the binary number to represent the sign of the number.
- **Two methods are the sign/magnitude representation and the one's complement method of representation.**

## Binary Sign Representations

- **Sign-magnitude:** The left bit is the sign (0 for + numbers and 1 for – numbers).

  All bits to right are the number magnitude

↑  
Left bit is the sign bit

Advantages to sign-magnitude:

- Simple to implement.
- Useful for floating point representation.

(Big) Disadvantage of sign-magnitude:

- Sign bit independent of magnitude; can be both + 0 and – 0! (Makes math hard to do).

- **One's complement:** The negative number of the same magnitude as any given positive number is its one's complement.
  - If  $m = 01001100$ , then  $m$  complement (or  $\bar{m}$ ) = 10110011
  - The most significant bit is the sign, and is 0 for + binary numbers and – for negative numbers.
  - Note the problem: If  $m = 00000000$ , then  $\bar{m} = 11111111$ ; there are two zeros in this method as well.

## Two's Complement Negative Binary Numbers

- Due to the problems with sign/magnitude and 1's complement, another approach has become the standard for representing the sign of a fixed-point binary number in computer circuits.
- Consider the following definition: “**The two's complement of a binary integer is the 1's complement of the number plus 1.**”
- **Thus if  $m$  is the 2's complement of  $n$ , then:  $m = \overline{n} + 1$**
- **Examples:**
  - $n = 0101\ 0100$ , then  $m = 1010\ 1011 + 1 = 1010\ 1100$
  - $n = 0101\ 1111$ , then  $m = 1010\ 0000 + 1 = 1010\ 0001$
  - $n = 0111\ 1111$ , then  $m = 1000\ 0000 + 1 = 1000\ 0001$
  - $n = 0000\ 0001$ , then  $m = 1111\ 1110 + 1 = 1111\ 1111$
- **Note that to properly represent 2's complement binary numbers, the full group of numbers showing the range of representation must be retained, because the left-most bit is the sign (0 = +, 1 = -).**

## Two's Complement Negative Binary Numbers (2)

- For integer 2's complement representation **addition and subtraction of both + and – numbers always work out correctly (within the range of representation), and there is only one 0.**
- As noted on the previous slide, the left-most bit is always 1 for a negative number, always 0 for a positive number.
- This means that an n-bit binary number in two's complement can represent a magnitude range of  $\pm 2^{n-1} - 1$ .
- In an n-bit representation, there are no extra bits! If adding 2 n-bit numbers results in n+1 bits, the left most bit is discarded! Thus:
  - Let  $n = 0000\ 0000$ . Then  $m = n + 1 = 1111\ 1111 + 1 = (1)\ 0000\ 0000 = 0000\ 0000$ . The 1 is discarded, since in the computer, there are no extra columns. There are only 8-bits, so the (9th-column) 1 is “thrown away.”
  - Therefore, the 2's complement of 0 is 0.

## Finding Two's Complements: Examples

- In the following, remember that for any n-bit computing system, there are no extra bit positions.
- To convert a negative decimal number to 2's complement binary:
  - Convert the decimal number to a positive binary number.
  - Take the 1's complement of that binary number and add 1.
- Converting negative numbers (still using a single 8-bit byte length):
  - **50:**             **$50 = 0011\ 0010$ ; 1's C. =  $1100\ 1101$ ; 2's C. =  $1100\ 1110$ .**
  - **127:**            **$127 = 0111\ 1111$ ; 1's C. =  $1000\ 0000$ ; 2's C. =  $1000\ 0001$ .**
  - **1:**               **$1 = 0000\ 0001$ ; 1's C. =  $1111\ 1110$ ; 2's C. =  $1111\ 1111$ .**
- But: **Positive decimal numbers are converted simply to positive binary numbers as before (no 2's complement).**

**Example: +67 (using method of successive div.)  $\rightarrow$  0100 0011**

## Two's Complement Binary to Decimal

- Converting the “other direction” (2's complement to decimal) is also simple. Simply do the following:
  - Check the sign bit (left-most bit).
  - If the sign bit is 0 (positive number), simply convert the number directly to a positive decimal number as we learned previously.
  - If the sign bit is 1, the number is a 2's complement negative number. To convert this number to decimal:
    - Take the 2's complement of the negative binary number.
    - Convert the resulting + number to decimal and add a negative sign.

## Two's Complement Binary to Decimal (2)

- Binary 2's complement-to-decimal examples, negative numbers:

**1**111 1111  $\rightarrow$  0000 0000+1 = 0000 0001 = 1;  $\rightarrow$  - 1.

**1**010 0011  $\rightarrow$  0101 1100+1 = 0101 1101 = 93;  $\rightarrow$  - 93.

**1**000 1111  $\rightarrow$  0111 0000+1 = 0111 0001 = 113;  $\rightarrow$  - 113.

**1**000 0010  $\rightarrow$  0111 1101+1 = 0111 1110 = 126;  $\rightarrow$  - 126.

- But for a positive binary number:

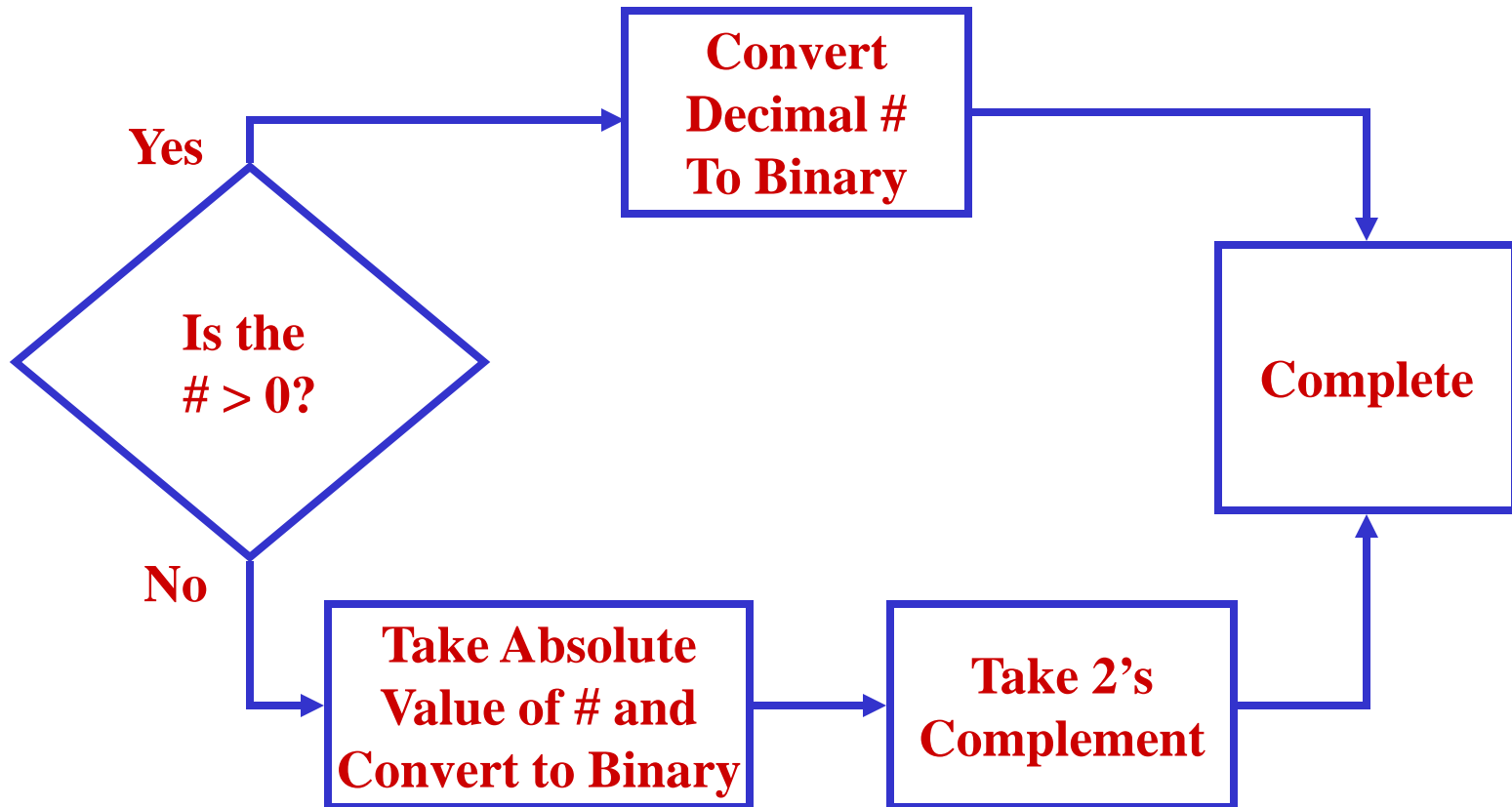
**0**000 0001  $\rightarrow$  Not a negative number  $\rightarrow$  1.

**0**000 1111  $\rightarrow$  Not a negative number  $\rightarrow$  15.

**0**110 1100  $\rightarrow$  Not a negative number  $\rightarrow$  108.

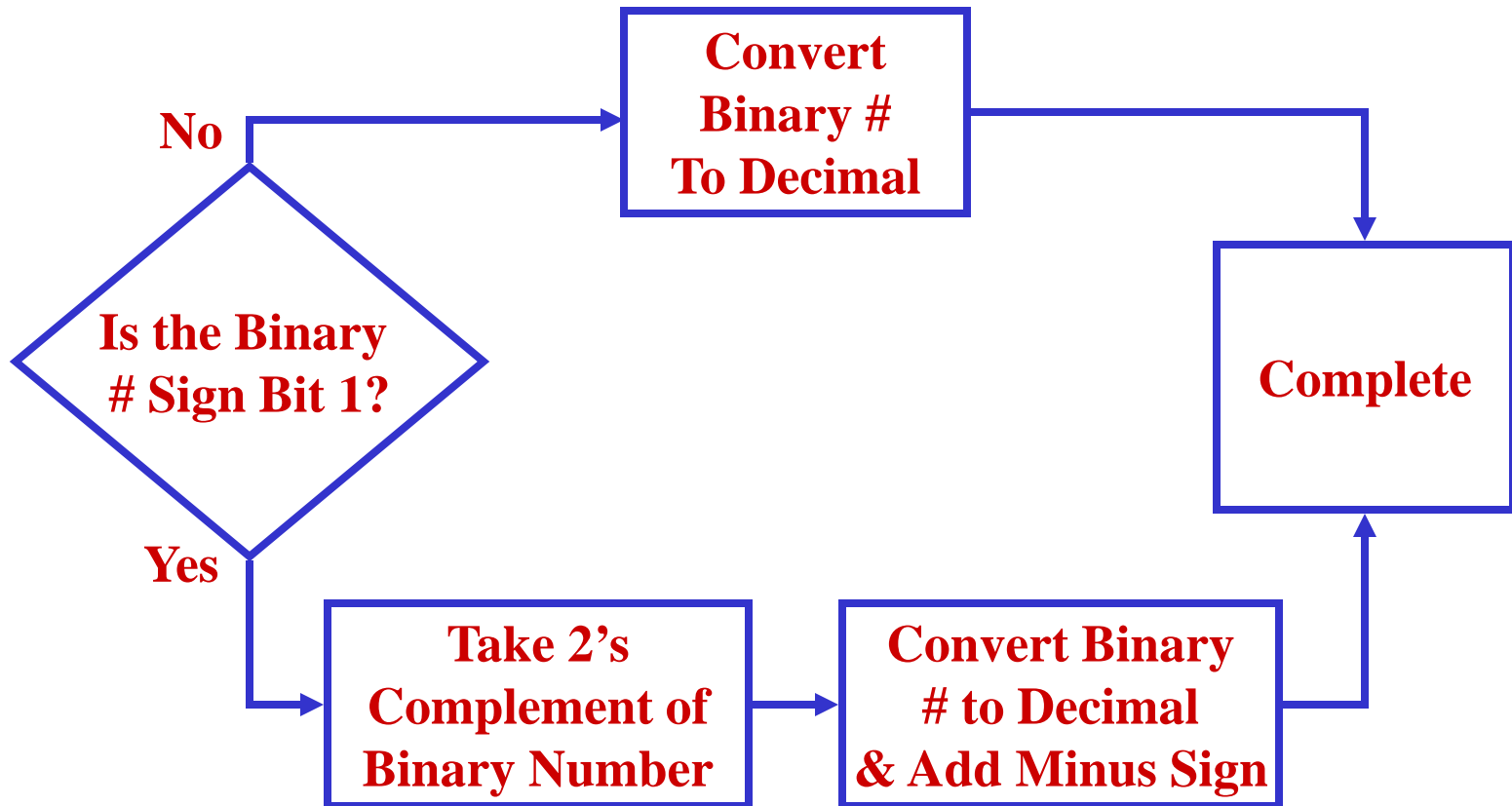
**0**111 1111  $\rightarrow$  Not a negative number  $\rightarrow$  127.

## Decimal $\rightarrow$ 2's Complement Binary





## 2's Complement Binary → Decimal



## Exercise 1

- Convert the following:

78 -----

– 106 -----

11101011 -----

11000010 -----

01010101 -----

## Two's Complement Binary Math

- If we represent binary numbers in 2's complement form, simple addition and subtraction is easy.
- To subtract binary number **b** from **a**, simply take the 2's complement of **b**, and add to **a**. That is:  
$$\mathbf{a - b = a + (2's\ comp.\ of\ b) = a + (\bar{b} + 1) = a + \bar{b} + 1}$$
- Adding numbers is the same as decimal addition. To add a positive and negative number, simply perform the addition and the minus sign (i.e., the left-most bit in the number) will take care of itself (assuming the result is within the range of representation).

# Two's Complement Math

- Subtract 0111 0101 from 0111 1100:

The 2's complement of 0111 0101 is  $1000\ 1010 + 1 = 1000\ 1011$ .

Adding:	0111 1100	Check:	124
	+ 1000 1011		<u>-117</u>
“Thrown away”	(1)0000 0111		007

- Add 1100 0001 + 0110 1110:

Note that the 2's complement of 1100 0001 is 0011 1111, so the first number is equivalent to - 63 decimal.

Adding:	1100 0001	Check:	- 63
	+ 0110 1110		<u>+110</u>
“Thrown away”	(1)0010 1111		+ 47

## Two's Complement Binary Math (2)

- **Subtract 1101 1101 from 0101 1100 (note we are subtracting a negative number):**

**Adding:** 0101 1100

2's complement + 0010 0011

of 1101 1101. 0111 1111

**Check:**

$$\begin{array}{r} 92 \\ -(-35) \\ \hline \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{r} 92 \\ + 35 \\ \hline + 127 \end{array}$$

- **Add 1000 0001 + 0111 0010:**

**Adding:**

	0111	0010
+	<u>1000</u>	<u>0001</u>
	1111	0011

**Check:**

$$\begin{array}{r} 114 \\ + (-127) \\ - 13 \end{array}$$

## Check!

**Check: 2's C of 1111 0011 = 0000 1101 = 13, so the number = - 13.**

## “Outside the Range of Representation”

- A number is “**outside the range of representation**,” when it cannot be represented by the bits available.
- For 8-bit, 2’s complement numbers (since left-most bit is the sign bit):
  - **Biggest + number to be represented = 0111 1111 (+127).**
  - **Biggest negative number possible is 1000 0001 (= − 127, 2’s C of 0111 1111).**
- **Numbers outside the range of representation of n bits may only be represented by adding more bits.**

### Examples:

$$\begin{array}{r} 0111\ 0011 \\ +\ 0011\ 1111 \\ \hline 1011\ 0010 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 115 \\ +\ 63 \\ \hline 178 \end{array}$$

→ = − 78!!!

$$\begin{array}{r} 1001\ 0000 \\ 1110\ 0000 \\ \hline 0111\ 0000 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} -112 \\ -32 \\ \hline -144 \end{array}$$

→ = + 112!!!

## Summary: 2's Complement Binary Math

- For integral mathematics in all modern computers, 2's complement arithmetic is the customary approach.
  - No ambiguous values crop up in CPU operations.
  - A binary adder can subtract with minor modifications.
  - The 2's complement binary math unit is simple.
- For 2's complement subtraction, the algorithm is very simple:
  - Take the 2's complement of the number being subtracted.
  - Add the two numbers together.
  - Note that the sign takes care of itself (“assuming the answer is within the range of representation”).

## Exercise 2

- Two 2's comp. problems:

$$\begin{array}{r} 0101\ 0101 \\ + \underline{1011\ 0110} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1111\ 1100 \\ - \underline{0101\ 0001} \end{array}$$





## Binary Codes

- Computers also use binary numbers to represent non-numeric information, such as text or graphics.
- Binary representations of text, (letters, textual numbers, punctuation symbols, etc.) are called codes.
- In a binary code, the binary number is a symbol and does not represent an actual number.
- A code normally cannot be “operated on” in the usual fashion – mathematical, logical, etc. That is, one cannot usually add up, for example, two binary codes. It would be like attempting to add A and G!



## The ASCII Alphanumeric Code

- **ASCII code** represents alphanumeric data in most computers (“American Standard Code for Information Interchange”).
  - Data on this transparency is coded in ASCII.
  - ASCII codes are used for virtually all printers today.
  - In the basic ASCII code that we will study, a single byte is used for each character. The least significant 7 bits represent the character. The eighth bit (the most significant bit, or MSB) may be used for error checking.
- “**Super ASCII**” codes can use all 8 bits (or more) for even more elaborate codes, such as other alphabets and character sets (Greek, Katakana, etc.).

## ASCII Code (2)

- There are 128 basic ASCII characters,  $0-127_{10}$ , or  $0-7f_{16}$  (0000 0000 to 0111 1111 binary).
- Each ASCII code is unique, for example:
  - $M = 0100\ 1101 = 77_{10} = 4D_{16}$ .
  - $m = 0110\ 1101 = 109_{10} = 6D_{16}$ .
  - Note that the small letters are exactly  $32_{10}$  (20 hex) larger in numerical value than the capital letters.
- ASCII characters are stored as **bytes** in the computer.
- ASCII characters are normally represented as pairs of hex numbers (since 1 byte = 2 nibbles = 2 hex numbers).



## **Another Binary Code: EBCDIC**

- **EBCDIC (Extended Binary Coded Decimal Information Code) is an eight-bit character set developed by International Business Machines (IBM) and used on most IBM computers through the 1970's. It was a precursor code to ASCII.**
- **IBM PC's have used ASCII code from the first models. Most other computer makers have also used the ASCII system since it was developed in the 1960s.**
- **EBCDIC is still used in some IBM computer equipment, mainly in systems with “legacy code” (very old software developed years ago) that was written in the days of EBCDIC.**
- **EBCDIC is an 8-bit code like ASCII, but the assignment of characters is very different. A few examples on the next slide.**



## **EBCDIC and ASCII Hex Codes**

<u><b>Character</b></u>	<u><b>EBCDIC</b></u>	<u><b>ASCII</b></u>
<b>A</b>	<b>C1</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>C2</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>a</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>b</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>F1</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>F7</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>.</b>	<b>4B</b>	<b>2E</b>
<b>,</b>	<b>6B</b>	<b>2C</b>
<b>“</b>	<b>7F</b>	<b>22</b>



## Summary

- Binary numbers are the numbers of computing. **In EE 2310, students must master binary numbers.**
- Since we live in a decimal world, it is also crucial to understand binary/decimal conversions.
- Hexadecimal numbers are also important, since many computer systems use hex readouts to ease the problem of interpreting 32- and 64- bit binary numbers.
- Binary codes are numbers that have a different meaning than their simple numerical value.
- **ASCII is the default text code in most computer systems.**
- The basic ASCII code set is shown at the end of these notes.
- Remember: **“There are only 10 types of people in the world – those that understand binary and those that don’t!”**



## **Exercise 3**

- **Decode the following ASCII message:**

**47-6f-2c-20-55-54-44-20-43-6f-6d-65-74-73-21**

**All numbers are ASCII characters in hex. Hint: We might say this if we had a football team.**

## Homework

- **As was discussed last lecture, a good idea is to write down the two or three important things you learned today. Add these to the list you made last time (you did make a list last time, right?).**
- **Write down two or three things you did not clearly understand, as was mentioned before also.**
- **After finishing the assigned reading, if you still have questions, see me during office hours.**





# ASCII Codes

Dec	Hex	Char	Dec	Hex	Char	Dec	Hex	Char	Dec	Hex	Char
0	00	Null	32	20	Space	64	40	@	96	60	`
1	01	Start of heading	33	21	!	65	41	A	97	61	a
2	02	Start of text	34	22	"	66	42	B	98	62	b
3	03	End of text	35	23	#	67	43	C	99	63	c
4	04	End of transmit	36	24	\$	68	44	D	100	64	d
5	05	Enquiry	37	25	%	69	45	E	101	65	e
6	06	Acknowledge	38	26	&	70	46	F	102	66	f
7	07	Audible bell	39	27	'	71	47	G	103	67	g
8	08	Backspace	40	28	(	72	48	H	104	68	h
9	09	Horizontal tab	41	29	)	73	49	I	105	69	i
10	0A	Line feed	42	2A	*	74	4A	J	106	6A	j
11	0B	Vertical tab	43	2B	+	75	4B	K	107	6B	k
12	0C	Form feed	44	2C	,	76	4C	L	108	6C	l
13	0D	Carriage return	45	2D	-	77	4D	M	109	6D	m
14	0E	Shift out	46	2E	.	78	4E	N	110	6E	n
15	0F	Shift in	47	2F	/	79	4F	O	111	6F	o
16	10	Data link escape	48	30	0	80	50	P	112	70	p
17	11	Device control 1	49	31	1	81	51	Q	113	71	q
18	12	Device control 2	50	32	2	82	52	R	114	72	r
19	13	Device control 3	51	33	3	83	53	S	115	73	s
20	14	Device control 4	52	34	4	84	54	T	116	74	t
21	15	Neg. acknowledge	53	35	5	85	55	U	117	75	u
22	16	Synchronous idle	54	36	6	86	56	V	118	76	v
23	17	End trans. block	55	37	7	87	57	W	119	77	w
24	18	Cancel	56	38	8	88	58	X	120	78	x
25	19	End of medium	57	39	9	89	59	Y	121	79	y
26	1A	Substitution	58	3A	:	90	5A	Z	122	7A	z
27	1B	Escape	59	3B	;	91	5B	[	123	7B	{
28	1C	File separator	60	3C	<	92	5C	\	124	7C	
29	1D	Group separator	61	3D	=	93	5D	]	125	7D	}
30	1E	Record separator	62	3E	>	94	5E	^	126	7E	~
31	1F	Unit separator	63	3F	?	95	5F	_	127	7F	□