

# L1 (CHAPTER 2)

## Data Representation Exercises ANS

## Decimal, Binary and Hex

Decimal	Binary	Hex
0	0000	0x0
1	0001	0x1
2	0010	0x2
3	0011	0x3
4	0100	0x4
5	0101	0x5
6	0110	0x6
7	0111	0x7
8	1000	0x8
9	1001	0x9
10	1010	0xA
11	1011	0xB
12	1100	0xC
13	1101	0xD
14	1110	0xE
15	1111	0xF

Prefix 0x denotes hex

## Question: Number Conversion

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- ▶ Q: Convert 0x3A56E2F8 into binary
- ▶ Q: Convert binary number 111010 into hex

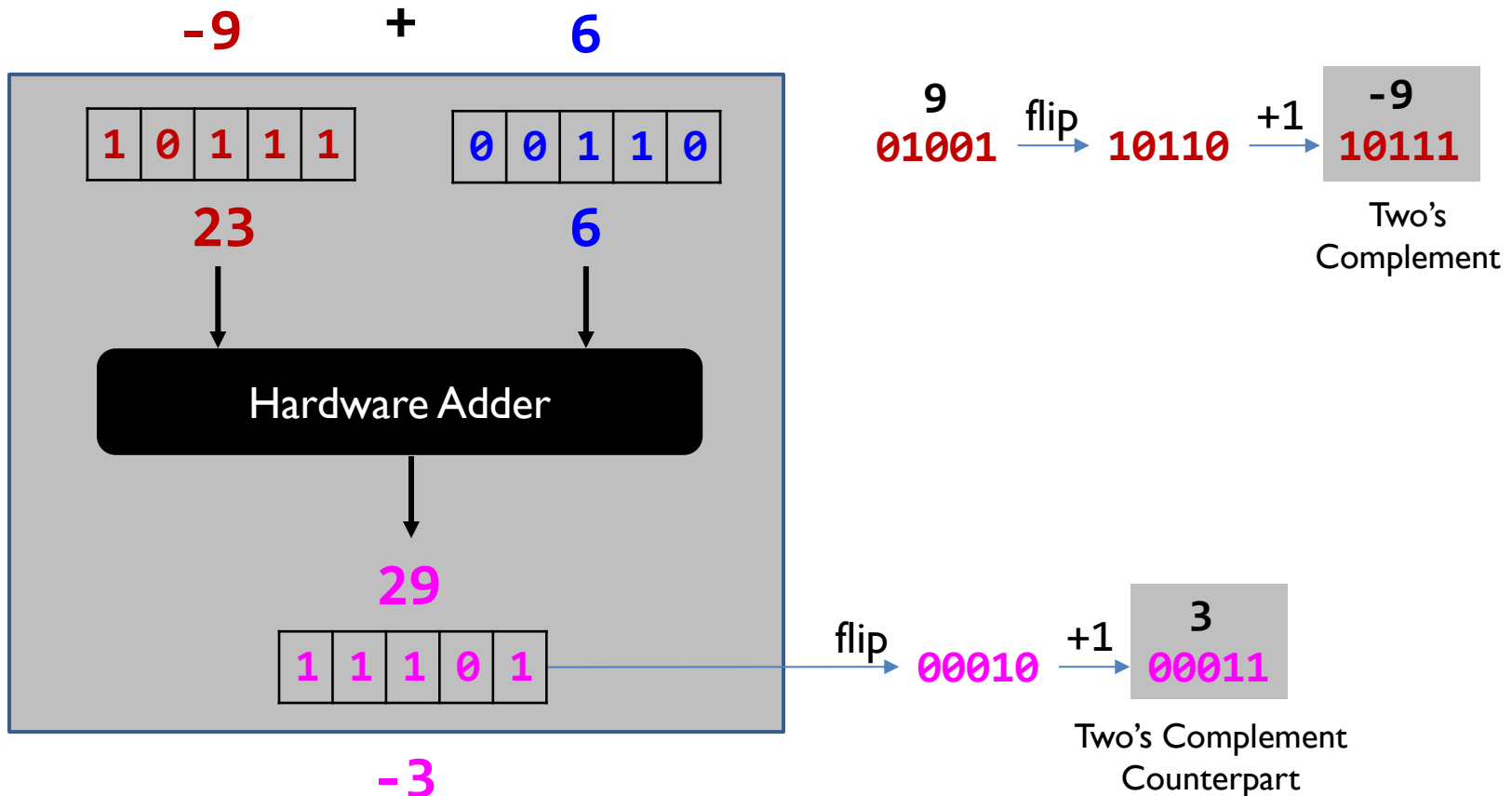
## Answer: Number Conversion

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- ▶ Q: Convert 0x3A56E2F8 into binary
- ▶ A: 0011 1010 0101 0110 1110 0010 1111 1000 (simple table lookup for each hex symbol)
- ▶ Q: Convert binary number 111010 into hex
- ▶ A: 0x3A (group 111010 into two parts 0011 1010, followed by table lookup)

## Review

# Adding two integers



- ▶ Same bit patterns, different interpretation.

- ▶ Unsigned addition:  $23+6=29$

- ▶ Signed addition:  $-9+6=-3$

- ▶ This example shows that the hardware adder for adding unsigned numbers, also works correctly for adding signed numbers.

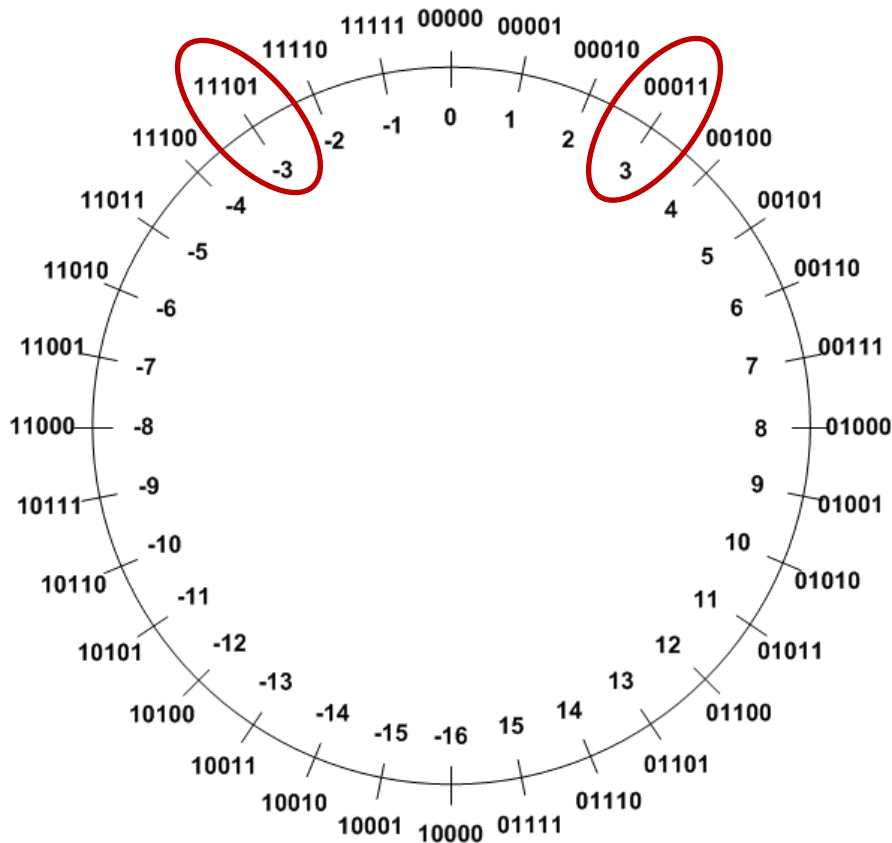
## Review

# Signed Integers

## Method 3: Two's Complement

**Two's Complement ( $\bar{\alpha}$ ):**

$$\alpha + \bar{\alpha} = 2^n$$



**TC of a number can be obtained by its bitwise NOT plus one.**

**Example 1: TC(3)**

	Binary	Decimal
Original number	00011	3
Step 1: Invert every bit	11100	
Step 2: Add 1	+ 00001	
Two's complement	11101	-3

# Signed Integer Representation

## Overview

- Three ways to represent signed binary integers:
  - Signed magnitude
    - $value = (-1)^{sign} \times \text{Magnitude}$
  - One's complement ( $\tilde{\alpha}$ )
    - $\alpha + \tilde{\alpha} = 2^n - 1$
  - Two's complement ( $\bar{\alpha}$ )
    - $\alpha + \bar{\alpha} = 2^n$

	Sign-and-Magnitude	One's Complement	Two's Complement
Range	$[-2^{n-1} + 1, 2^{n-1} - 1]$	$[-2^{n-1} + 1, 2^{n-1} - 1]$	$[-2^{n-1}, 2^{n-1} - 1]$
Zero	Two zeroes ( $\pm 0$ )	Two zeroes ( $\pm 0$ )	One zero
Unique Numbers	$2^n - 1$	$2^n - 1$	$2^n$

## Question: 2's Complement

- For each of the following binary numbers, give the corresponding binary number of the negative of its value, for 2's-complement system
- (a)  $x=01010101$
- (b)  $x=10101010$
- (c)  $x=10000000$



## Answer: 2's Complement

- For each of the following binary numbers  $x$ , give the corresponding binary number of  $-x$  in 2's-complement representation?
- (a)  $x=01010101$ 
  - $-x = 10101011$
- (b)  $x=10101010$ 
  - $-x = 01010110$
- (c)  $x=10000000$ 
  - $-x=10000000$

## Question: Number Conversion

- Q: What is the decimal value of binary number  $x=10100111$  as either unsigned int, or signed int in 2's complement representation?
- What about  $x=11100001$ ?
- What about  $x=10000000$ ?

## Answer: Number Conversion

- Q: What is the decimal value of binary number  $x=10100111$  as either unsigned int, or signed int in 2's complement representation?
- A: if unsigned int, then  $x=2^7+2^5+2^2+2^1+2^0=167$
- If signed int, then it is a negative number, since leftmost sign bit is 1. First convert it into its positive counterpart of bitwise NOT plus one to get 01011001, which is equal to decimal  $2^6+2^4+2^3+2^0=89$ . Hence  $x=-89$
- Similarly, for  $x=11100001$  (unsigned int 225), first convert it into its positive counterpart of bitwise NOT plus one to get 00011111, which is equal to decimal 31. Hence  $x=-31$
- Similarly, for  $x=10000000$  (unsigned int 128), first convert it into its positive counterpart of bitwise NOT plus one to get 10000000, which is equal to decimal  $2^7$ . Hence  $x=-2^7=-128$

	uint	Int
10100111	167	-89
11100001	225	-31
10000000	128	-128

## Question: Number Conversion

- Q: Which number is larger: 1001 or 0011 in binary?
- Q: Which number is larger: 0xFFFFFFFF or 0x00000001 in hex?

## Answer: Number Conversion

- Q: Which number is larger: 1001 or 0011 in binary?
- A: depends on the number system.
  - If unsigned int, then 1001 is 9, and 0011 is 3 in decimal, and  $9 > 3$
  - If signed int, then 1001 is -7 (negative of 0111), and 0011 is 3 in decimal, and  $-3 < 3$
- Q: Which number is larger: 0xFFFFFFFF or 0x00000001 in hex?
- Q: depends on the number system.
  - If unsigned int, then 0xFFFFFFFF is  $2^{32}-1$ , and 0x00000001 is 1 in decimal, and  $2^{32}-1 > 1$
  - If signed int, then 0xFFFFFFFF is -1 (negative of 0x00000001), and 0x00000001 is 1 in decimal, and  $-1 < 1$

## Question: Number Range

- Which range of decimals can be expressed with a 6-bit number (assuming Two's complement representation)?

Answer	Range
A	-32 ... 32
B	-64 ... 63
C	-31 ... 32
D	-16 ... 15
E	-32 ... 31

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$$[-2^{n-1}, 2^{n-1} - 1] = [-2^5, 2^5 - 1] = [-32, 31]$$

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- Which range of decimals can be expressed with a 6-bit unsigned integer?

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## Answer: Number Range

- Which range of decimals can be expressed with a 6-bit unsigned integer?

Answer	Range
A	-32 ... 32
B	-64 ... 63
C	-31 ... 32
D	-16 ... 15
E	0 ... 63

$$[0, 2^n - 1] = [0, 2^6 - 1] = [0, 63]$$

## Question: Integer arithmetic

- Q: What is the result of  $1001 + 0011$ ?

## Answer: Integer arithmetic

- Q: Consider a 4-bit system. What is the result of  $1001 + 0011$ ?
- A:  $1001 + 0011 = 1100$
- Value of 1100 depends on the number system.
  - If unsigned int, then 1100 is 12, which is equal to 9 (1001) + 3 (0011)
  - If signed int, then 1100 is -4 (negative of 0100), which is equal to -7 (1001) + 3 (0011) in decimal

# Summary of Carry and Overflow Flags

Bit	Name	Meaning after add or sub
N	negative	result is negative
Z	zero	result is zero
V	overflow	signed overflow
C	carry	unsigned overflow

Carry flag C = 1 upon an **unsigned** addition if the answer is wrong (true result  $> 2^n - 1$ )

Carry flag C = 0 (Borrow flag = 1) upon an **unsigned** subtraction if the answer is wrong (true result  $< 0$ )

Overflow flag V = 1 upon a **signed** addition if the answer is wrong (true result  $> 2^{n-1} - 1$  or true result  $< -2^{n-1}$ )



CPSR (Current Program Status Register)

# Signed or unsigned

- Whether the carry flag or the overflow flag should be used depends on the programmer's intention.

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uint a;  
uint b;  
...  
c = a + b  
...
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C Program

**Check the carry flag**  
for unsigned addition

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int a;  
int b;  
...  
c = a + b  
...
```

C Program

**Check the overflow flag**  
for signed addition

## Question: Addition

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- ▶ Q: Consider a 4-bit system. What is the result of addition  $1011 + 0110$ , assuming either unsigned integers, or signed integers in 2's-complement representation?

## Answer: Addition

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- ▶ Q: Consider a 4-bit system. What is the result of addition  $1011 + 0110$ , assuming either unsigned integers, or signed integers in 2's-complement representation?
- ▶ A: A 4-bit unsigned int has the range  $[0, 2^4 - 1] = [0, 15]$ ; a 4-bit signed int has the range  $[-2^3, 2^3 - 1] = [-8, 7]$
- ▶  $1011$  is 11 in decimal as unsigned int; -5 in decimal as signed int;  $0110$  is 6 as either unsigned or signed int.
- ▶  $1011 + 0110 = 10001$ ; the extra leftmost bit is discarded, so the result is  $0001$  (1 in decimal) for both cases.
- ▶ For unsigned addition, true result should be  $11 + 6 = 17$  in decimal. Since  $17 > 15$ , the result is wrong, and Carry flag is set to 1.
- ▶ For signed addition, true result should be  $-5 + 6 = 1$  in decimal. So the result is correct.

## Question: Subtraction

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- ▶ Q: Q: Consider a 4-bit system. What is the result of subtraction  $1011 - 0110$ , assuming either unsigned integers, or signed integers in 2's-complement representation?



## Answer: Subtraction

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- ▶ Q: Consider a 4-bit system. What is the result of subtraction  $1011 - 0110$ , assuming either unsigned integers, or signed integers in 2's-complement representation?
- ▶ A:  $1011 - 0110 = 0101$  (carry bit discarded), so the computed result is  $0101$  (5 in decimal) for both cases.
- ▶ For unsigned subtraction, true result should be  $11 - 6 = 5$  in decimal. So the result is correct
- ▶ For signed subtraction, true result should be  $-5 - 6 = -11$ . Since  $-11 < -8$ , the result of 5 is wrong, and Overflow flag is set to 1.

## Question: Subtraction

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- ▶ Q: Consider a 4-bit system. What is the result of subtraction  $0110 - 1011$ , assuming either unsigned integers, or signed integers in 2's-complement representation?

## Answer: Subtraction

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- ▶ Q: Consider a 4-bit system. What is the result of subtraction  $0110 - 1011$ , assuming either unsigned integers, or signed integers in 2's-complement representation?
- ▶ A:  $0110 - 1011 = 1011$  (borrow bit discarded), so the computed result is 11 in decimal for unsigned, or -5 in decimal for signed.
- ▶ For unsigned subtraction, true result should be  $6 - 11 = -5$  in decimal. Since  $-5 < 0$ , the result is wrong, and Carry flag is 0 (Borrow flag is 1).
- ▶ For signed subtraction, true result should be  $6 - (-5) = 11$ . Since  $11 > 7$ , the result is wrong, and Overflow flag is set to 1.

## Question: True or False

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- ▶ 1. Overflow is impossible when subtracting one unsigned number from another.
- ▶ 2. Overflow is impossible when subtracting two signed operands of the same sign.
- ▶ 3. There are two representations of zero in 2's complement representation.
- ▶ 4. In 2's complement, the absolute values of full-scale negative and full-scale positive are identical

## Answer: True or False

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- ▶ 1. Borrow=1 is impossible when subtracting one unsigned number from another. **False**
- ▶ 2. Overflow=1 is impossible when subtracting two signed operands of the same sign. **True**
- ▶ 3. There are two representations of zero in 2's complement representation. **False**
- ▶ 4. In 2's complement, the absolute values of smallest negative and largest positive numbers are identical. **False**