



Numbers and Computers (practice)

ICS312 Machine-Level and Systems Programming

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(q1) Conversion

- What is 52_{10} in binary?

(q1) Solution

- What is 52_{10} in binary?
- Systematic method:
 - $52 = 26 \cdot 2 + 0$
 - $26 = 13 \cdot 2 + 0$
 - $13 = 6 \cdot 2 + 1$
 - $6 = 3 \cdot 2 + 0$
 - $3 = 1 \cdot 2 + 1$
 - $1 = 0 \cdot 2 + 1$
 - Answer: 110100
- Intuitive method (for “small” numbers)
 - 52 is lower than 64, so it's 32 + something
 - $32 + 16$ is 48, so 52 is $32 + 16 + \text{something}$
 - $52 - 48 = 4$, so: $52 = 32 + 16 + 4$
 - Therefore: 110100
 - We have 32, 16, not 8, 4, not 2, not 1



(q2) Conversion

- What is 2049_{10} in binary?

(q2) solution

- What is 2049_{10} in binary?
- The systematic method is really long here
 - simple though, but tedious
- It's easier to see that 2049_{10} is $2048_{10} + 1_{10}$
 - 2048_{10} is $2^{11} = 1000000000000_2$
 - 1 is $2^0 = 1_2$
- Therefore
 - $2049_{10} = 1000000000001_2$
- In general, one likes to find “nearby” powers of 2



(q3) Conversion

- What is 1021_{10} in binary?

(q3) Solution

- What is 1021_{10} in binary?
- 1021_{10} is “close to” 1024_{10}
- We know that 1024_{10} is 1000000000_2
- More useful: 1023_{10} is 11111111_2
- So we can “count backwards”
- 11111110_2 comes before 11111111_2 , and therefore it is 1022_{10}
- 11111101_2 comes before 11111110_2 , and therefore it is 1021_{10}
- Answer: 11111101_2

(q4) Conversions

- What is $B8_{16}$ in binary?

(q4) Solution

- Just “glue” the 2 4-bit conversions together
 - $B_{16} = 1011_2$, $8_{16} = 1000_2$
 - Answer: 10111000

- How do I know that $B_{16} = 1011_2$?
 - Just go back to decimal
 - $B_{16} = 11_{10}$
 - $11_{10} = 1011_2$

(q5) Conversions

- What is 51_{10} in hexadecimal?

(q5) Solution

- What is 51_{10} in hexadecimal?
 - $51 = 3 \cdot 16 + 3$
 - Answer: 33

(q6) Conversion

- What is 0110_2 in hexadecimal?

(q6) Solution

- What is 0110_2 in hexadecimal?
 - $0110_2 = 6_{10} = 6_{16}$
 - Answer: 6

More Conversions

- (q7) What is 123_{10} in binary?
- (q8) What is $F3EA_{16}$ in binary?
- (q9) What is 111_{10} in hexadecimal?
- (q10) What is 100110_2 in hexadecimal?

Solutions

■ Conversions:

- (q7) What is 123_{10} in binary?

1111011 (127 - 4)

- (q8) What is $F3EA_{16}$ in binary?

1111001111101010

- (q9) What is 111_{10} in hexadecimal?

6F (112 - 1)

- (q10) What is 100110_2 in hexadecimal?

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Always try to find simple “tricks” if you can



(q11) Binary addition

- What is: $10101101 + 11001011$?

(q11) Solution

- What is: $10101101 + 11001011$?

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{c} \quad \text{cccc} \\ 10101101 \\ + 11001011 \\ = 101111000 \end{array}$$



(q12) Hex addition

- What is: $A5F + E32$?

(q12) Solution

- What is: $A5F + E32$?

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{c} \quad \text{c} \\ A5F \\ + \quad E32 \\ = \quad 1891 \end{array}$$

- Small “trick”: adding F to a digit takes that digit 1 lower and generates a carry
 - $F + 7 = 6$ and a carry
 - $F + E = D$ and a carry

Another binary addition (no poll)

- What is $1010111 + 1110111$?

Solution

- What is $1010111 + 1110111$?

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{ccc} \text{ccc} \\ 1010111 \\ + 1110111 \\ = 11001110 \end{array}$$



Another hex addition (no poll)

- What is $AF3F + EE8D$?

Solution

- What is $AF3F + EE8D$?

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{C C} \\ AF3F \\ + EE8D \\ = 19DCC \end{array}$$

(q13) Two's complement

- What is the 2's complement 2-byte representation of -153_{10} in hexadecimal?

(q13) Solution

- What is the 2's complement 2-byte representation of -153_{10} in hexadecimal?
 - $153_{10} = 0099_{16}$
 - complement: FF66
 - add 1 to get the answer: **FF67**

(q14) Two's complement

- What is the 2's complement 2-byte representation of 96_{10} in hexadecimal?

(q14) Solution

- What is the 2's complement 2-byte representation of 96_{10} in hexadecimal?
 - $96_{10} = 60_{16}$
 - It's a positive number, so its 2's complement representation is simply its 2-byte binary representation
 - answer: **0060**



(q15) Two's complement

- What is the decimal value of FF4A, a 2-byte (hex) number stored in 2's complement fashion?

(q15) Solution

- What is the decimal value of FF4A, a 2-byte (hex) number stored in 2's complement fashion?
 - $FF4A = 1\dots_2$
 - Therefore it represents a negative number, let's invert it
 - Invert: 00B5
 - Add 1: $00B6 = B6$
 - $B6_{16} = 11 \cdot 16 + 6 = 176 + 6 = 182_{10}$
 - Therefore, in 2's complement representation, FF4A is -182_{10}

(q16) Two's complement

- What is the 2's complement 1-byte representation of -81_{10} in hexadecimal?

(q16) Solution

- What is the 2's complement 1-byte representation of -81_{10} in hexadecimal?
 - $81_{10} = 51_{16}$
 - complement: AE
 - add 1: AF



(q17) Two's complement

- What is the decimal value of 76 (hex), a 1-byte number stored in 2's complement fashion?

(q17) Solution

- What is the decimal value of 76h, a 1-byte number stored in 2's complement fashion?
 - It's a positive number, so 76 is simply the hex value of the integer
 - Answer: $7 \cdot 16^1 + 6 \cdot 16^0 = 118_{10}$

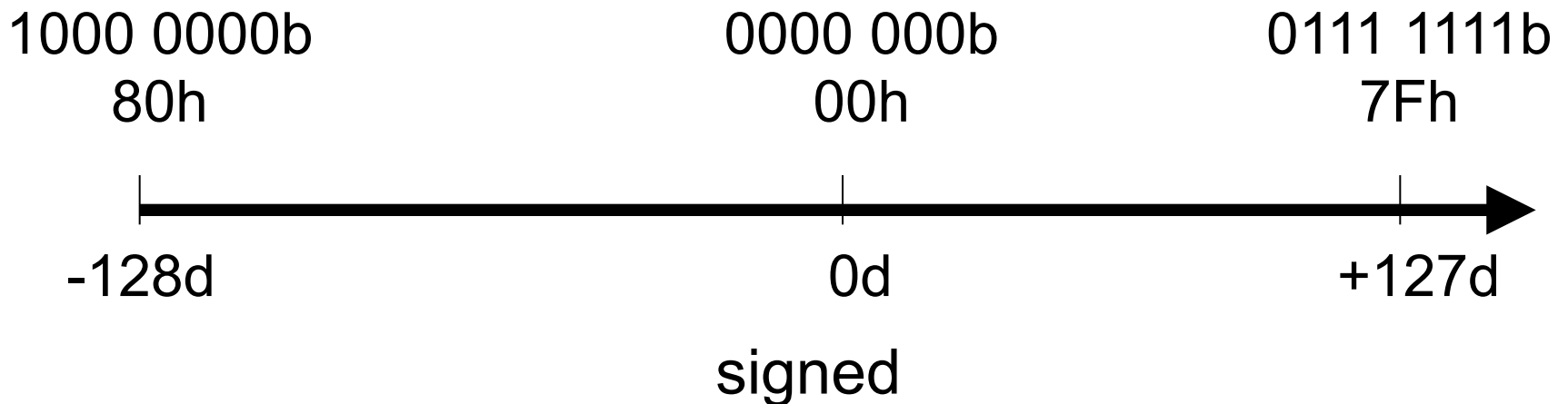
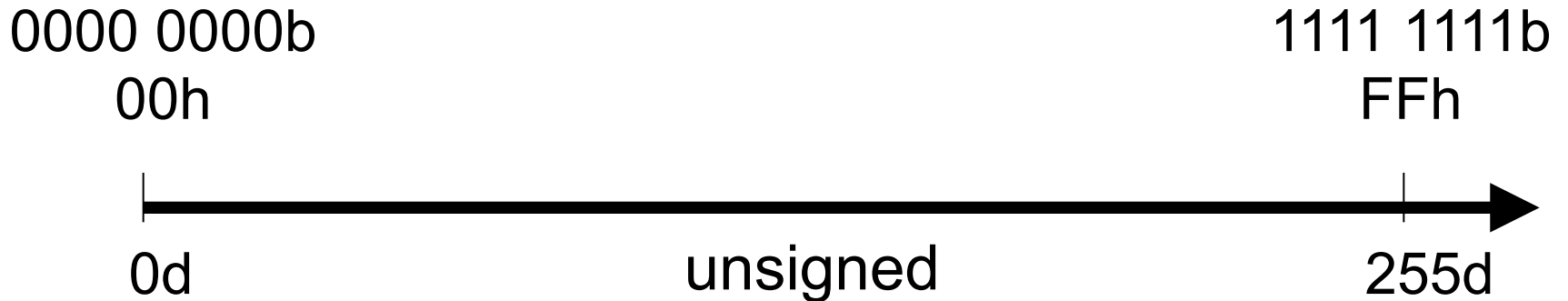
(q18) Ranges of numbers

- What is the largest **unsigned** decimal number that can be encoded with 8 bits?
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- What is the 2's complement representation of -1_{10} with 32 bits?

(q18) Solutions

- What is the largest **unsigned** decimal number that can be encoded with 8 bits?
 - 255 (i.e., FF in 2's complement representation)
- What is the smallest **unsigned** decimal number that can be encoded with 8 bits?
 - 0 (i.e., 00 in 2's complement representation)
- What is the largest **signed** decimal number that can be encoded with 8 bits?
 - Largest that isn't negative: 7F in 2's complement representation = 127_{10}
- What is the smallest **signed** decimal number that can be encoded with 8 bits?
 - Smallest that isn't positive: 80 in 2's complement representation = -128_{10}
- What is the 2's complement representation of -1_{10} with 32 bits?
 - $1 = 00000001$; complement: FFFFFFFE; add one: FFFFFFFF

1-byte Ranges



Conclusion

- I have posted a practice quiz on Laulima (without answers). This is just some extra material you can use to practice.
- **Homework #1** is all about this, let's look at it
- Yes, this is a lot of number arithmetic practice
- But as Computer Scientists you cannot afford to not be extremely comfortable with all this
 - No, you won't use it everyday at all
 - But when you need to use it, not being good at it is really, really embarrassing
 - Especially since these things pop up at job interviews!