Data Representation

Types of Data:

Name	Base	Digits Used
Decimal	10	0 - 9
Binary	2	0, 1
Octal	8	0 - 7
Hexadecimal	16	0 - 9, A - F

- Convert Decimal to another base:
 - 1. Divide number by base and find the remainders until 0 is reached
 - 2. Reverse remainder
 - E.g. convert 19 to binary

Divisor: Base 2	Dividend & Quotient	Remainder
2	19	-
2	9	1
2	4	1
2	2	0
2	1	0
_	0	1

- \circ 19 in base 2 = 1 0 0 1 1 (Go up the table of remainders)
- Convert from another base to Decimal:
 - 1. Find position of each digit
 - 2. Sum all (digit x base^position)
 - o E.g. convert binary (1 1 0 1) to decimal

Binary Digit	1	1	0	1
Position	3	2	1	0
Value	1 x 2^3 = 8	1 x 2^2 = 4	0 x 2^1 = 0	1 x 2^0 = 1

- \circ Binary(1 1 0 1) = 8 + 4 + 1 = 13 in decimal
- Convert from Binary to Octal:
 - 1. Form groups of 3 digits from the back
 - 2. Add 0s to the front if not enough digits
 - 3. Convert to base 8
 - E.g. convert Binary(1 0 1 1 0 = 0 1 0 1 1 0) to Octal

Group into 3s	010	110

Octal Value	$0 + 1 \times 2^1 + 0 = 2$	$1 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 0 = 6$

 \circ Binary(10110) = Octal(26)

• Convert from Binary to other bases:

Octal: group into 3s

O Hexadecimal: group into 4s

ASCII

• American Standard Code for Information Interchange

• 7 or 8 bit code that defined 128 or 256 character set

• 8 bits used for each character (1 byte)

• One of the bits used for check bit (parity bit)

• 2⁷ = 128 different characters available

• Mirrors available characters on the keyboard

• ord() and chr() converts characters to and from ASCII

Unicode

Code for universal language and usage

• 16 or 32 bit code

• 2¹⁶ = 65536 characters

Includes ASCII codes

Used for characters not found in ASCII