1 Organization and Introduction

- The Art of managing complexity
  - Abstraction: Hiding details when they are not important
  - Discipline: Intentionally restricting your design choices to that you can work more productively at higher abstraction levels
  - The three -Y's
    - Hierarchy: A system is divided into modules of smaller complexity
    - Modularity: Having well defined functions and interfaces
    - Regularity: Encouraging uniformity, so modules can be easily re-used
- Bit: **B**inary dig**it**

2 Binary Numbers

- Powers of two:

$2^0 = 1$	$2^5 = 32$	$2^{10} = 1024$
$2^1 = 2$	$2^6 = 64$	$2^{11} = 2048$
$2^2 = 4$	$2^7 = 128$	$2^{12} = 4096$
$2^3 = 8$	$2^8 = 256$	$2^{13} = 8192$
$2^4 = 16$	$2^9 = 512$	$2^{14} = 16384$

- Binary to decimal conversion

$$\begin{aligned} 10011_2 &= 2^4 \times 1 + 2^3 \times 0 + 2^2 \times 0 + 2^1 \times 1 + 2^0 \times 1 \\ &= 16 \times 1 + 8 \times 0 + 4 \times 0 + 2 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 \\ &= 16 + 0 + 0 + 2 + 1 = 19_{10} \end{aligned}$$

- Convert decimal to binary (roughly). Example with 47_{10} to binary

$2^6 = 64$	is $64 \leq 47$?	no	0	do nothing
$2^5 = 32$	is $32 \leq 47$?	yes	1	47-32=15
$2^4 = 16$	is $16 \leq 15$?	no	0	do nothing
$2^3 = 8$	is $8 \leq 15$?	yes	1	15-8=7
$2^2 = 4$	is $4 \leq 7$?	yes	1	7-4=3
$2^1 = 2$	is $2 \leq 3$?	yes	1	3-2=1
$2^0 = 1$	is $1 \leq 1$?	yes	1	1-1=0; done!

$\Rightarrow 47_{10}$ to binary is 0101111_2

- Binary values and range

	How many values?	Range?	Example: 3-digit number
$N-$digit decimal number	10^N	$[0, 10^N - 1]$	$10^3 = 1000$ possible values, range:$[0, 999]$
$N-$bit binary number	2^N	$[0, 2^N - 1]$	$2^3 = 8$ possible values, range:$[0, 7] = [000_2$ to $111_2]$

- Hexadecimal (Base-16) Numbers

Decimal	Hexadecimal	Binary		Decimal	Hexadecimal	Binary
0	0	0000		8	8	1000
1	1	0001		9	9	1001
2	2	0010		10	A	1010
3	3	0011		11	B	1011
4	4	0100		12	C	1100
5	5	0101		13	D	1101
6	6	0110		14	E	1110
7	7	0111		15	F	1111

- Bits, Bytes, Nibbles...

$$\underbrace{1}_{\text{MSB}}001011\underbrace{0}_{\text{LSB}}\quad\overbrace{1001\underbrace{0110}_{\text{nibble}}}^{\text{Byte}}\quad\underbrace{\text{CE}}_{\text{MSB}}\text{BF9A}\underbrace{\text{D7}}_{\text{LSB}}$$

  Where MSB=Most significant Bit and LSB=Least significant Bit

- Addition in base two works exactly the same as in base 10, using carries
- Overflow
  - Digital systems operate on a fixed number of bits
  - Addition overflows when the result is too big to fit in the available number of bits
- Signed Binary Numbers
  - Sign/Magnitude Numbers
    - 1 sign bit, $N-1$ magnitude bits
    - Sign bit is the most significant (left-most) bit
    - Example: 4-bit sign/mag repr. of ± 6:
      - $+6 = \mathbf{0}110$
      - $-6 = \mathbf{1}110$
    - Range of an $N-$bit sign/magnitude number: $\left[-\left(2^{N-1}-1\right), 2^{N-1}-1\right]$
    - Problems:
      - Addition doesn't work
      - Two representations of 0 (± 0): 1000 and 0000
      - Introduces complexity in the processor design
  - One's Complement Numbers
    - A negative number is formed by reversing the bits of the positive number (MSB still indicates the sign of the integer)

2^7	2^6	2^5	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0		One's Compl.	Unsigned
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	=	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	=	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	=	2	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	=	127	127
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	=	-127	128
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	=	-126	129
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	=	-2	253
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	=	-1	254
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	=	-0	255

    - Range of $n-$bit number: $[-2^{n-1}-1, 2^{n-1}-1]$, 8 bits:$[-127, 127]$
    - Addition: Done using binary addition with end-around carry. If there is a carry out of the MSB of the sum, this bit must be added to the LSB of the sum
  - Two's Complement Numbers
    - Don't have same problems as sign/magnitude numbers:
      - addition works
      - Single representation for 0
    - Has advantages over one's complement:
      - Has a single 0 representation
      - Eliminates the end-around carry operation required in one's complement addition.
    - A negative number is formed by reversing the bits of the positive number (MSB still indicates the sign of the integer) and adding 1:

2^7	2^6	2^5	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0		Two's Compl.	Unsigned
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	=	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	=	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	=	2	2
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	=	127	127
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	=	-128	128
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	=	-127	129
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	=	-3	253
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	=	-2	254
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	=	-1	255

    - Same as unsigned binary, but the most significant bit (MSB) has value of -2^{N-1}
      - Most positive 4-bit number: 0111
      - Most negative 4-bit number: 1000
    - The most significant bit still indicates the sign (1=neg., 0=pos.)
    - Range of an $N-$bit two's comp. number: $[-2^{N-1}, 2^{N-1}-1]$, 8 bits:$[-128, 127]$

- Increasing bit width (assume from N to M, with $M > N$):

  - Sign-extension
    * Sign bit is copied into MSB
    * Number value remains the same
    * Give correct result for two's compl. numbers
    * Example 1:
      · 4-bit representation of $3 = \mathbf{0}011$
      · 8-bit sign-extended value: $\mathbf{00000}011$
    * Example 2:
      · 4-bit representation of $-5 = \mathbf{1}011$
      · 8-bit sign-extended value: $\mathbf{11111}011$
  - Zero-extension
    * Zeros are copied into MSB
    * Value will change for negative numbers
    * Example 1:
      · 4-bit value: $0011_2 = 3_{10}$
      · 8-bit zero-extended value: $\mathbf{0000}0011_2 = 3_{10}$
    * Example 2:
      · 4-bit value: $1011_2 = -5_{10}$
      · 8-bit zero-extended value: $\mathbf{0000}1011_2 = 11_{\mathbf{10}}$

3 Short Introduction to Electrical Engineering (EE Perspective)

- The goal of circuit design is to optimize:
  - Area: Net circuit area is proportional to the cost of the device
  - Speed/Throughput: We want circuits that work faster, or do more
  - Power/Energy
    * Mobile devices need to work with a limited power supply
    * High performance devices dissipate more than $100\text{W}/cm^2$
  - Design time
    * Designers are expensive
    * The competition will not wait for you
- (Frank's) Principles for engineering
  - Good engineers are lazy: They do not want to work unnecessarily, be creative
  - They know how to ask the question "why"?: take nothing for granted
  - Engineering is not a religion: Use what works best for you
  - Keep it simple and stupid: Engineers' job is to manage complexity