## 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: Binary digit

## 2 Binary Numbers

 $\begin{array}{c|c|c|c} \bullet & \text{Powers of two:} \\ 2^0 = 1 & 2^5 = 32 & 2^{10} = 1024 \\ 2^1 = 2 & 2^6 = 64 & 2^{11} = 2048 \\ 2^2 = 4 & 2^7 = 128 & 2^{12} = 4096 \\ 2^3 = 8 & 2^8 = 256 & 2^{13} = 8192 \\ 2^4 = 16 & 2^9 = 512 & 2^{14} = 16384 \\ \end{array}$ 

• 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<sub>10</sub> to binary

- Binary values and range
  - -N-digit decimal number
    - \* How many values:  $10^N$
    - \* Range:  $[0, 10^N 1]$
    - \* Example (3-digit number):  $10^3 = 1000$  possible values, range: [0, 999]
  - -N-bit binary number
    - \* How many values:  $2^N$

- \* Range:  $[0, 2^N 1]$
- \* Example (3-digit number):  $2^3 = 8$  possible values, range: $[0,7] = [000_2 \text{ to } 111_2]$
- 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	В	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...

$$\underbrace{ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 001011 & 0 & 1001 & 0110 \\ \text{MSB} & \text{LSB} & \text{nibble} & \text{MSB} & \text{LSB} \end{array} }_{\text{Byte}} \underbrace{ \begin{array}{cccc} \text{E} & \text{BF9A} & \text{D7} \\ \text{MSB} & \text{LSB} & \text{LSB} \end{array} }_{\text{Byte}}$$

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  $\pm 6$ :
      - +6 = 0110
      - -6 = 1110
    - \* Range of an N-bit sign/magnitude number:  $[-(2^{N-1}-1), 2^{N-1}-1]$
    - \* Problems:
      - · Addition doesn't work
      - · Two representations of 0 ( $\pm 0$ ): 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)

$2^7$	$2^6$	$2^5$	$2^4$	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$	801)	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	=	$\frac{1}{2}$	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:
    - $\cdot$  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
  - $\cdot$  Most negative 4-bit number: 1000
- \* The most significant bit still indicates the sign (1=neg., 0=pos.)
- \* Range of an  $N-{\rm bit}$  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 = 0011
      - $\cdot$  8-bit sign-extended value: **00000**011
    - \* Example 2:
      - · 4-bit representation of -5 = 1011
      - $\cdot$  8-bit sign-extended value: **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:  $00000011_2 = 3_{10}$
    - \* 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  $100W/cm^2$
  - 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

- Building blocks for microchips
  - Conductors: Metals (Aluminium, Copper)
  - Insulators: Glass (SiO<sub>2</sub>), Air
  - Semiconductors: Silicon (Si), Germanium (Ge)
- N-type Doping: Add extra electron (negatively charged), zone becomes negatively charged
- P-type Doping: Remove electron, zone becomes positively charged
- Semiconductors:
  - You can "Engineer" its properties, i.e.
    - \* Make it P type by injecting type-III elements (b, Ga, In)
    - \* Make it N type by injecting elements from type-V (P, As)
  - You can combine P and N regions to each other, from a pure semiconductor
  - Allows you to make interesting electrical devices (Diodes, Transistors, Thrystors)
- pMOS is a P type transistor, nMOS an N type transistors; combined they are a CMOS
- CMOS (Properties)
  - No input current: Capacitive input, no resistive path from the input
  - No current when output is at logic levels: Little static power, current is needed only when switching
  - Electrical properties determined directly by geometry: A transistor that is 2 times larger drives twice the current
  - Very simple to manufacture: pMOS and nMOS can be manufactures on the same substrate

#### • CMOS Gate Structure

- The general form used to construct any inverting logic, such as: NOT, NAND, NOR
  - \* The networks may consist of transistors in series or parallel
  - $\ast$  When transistors are in parallel, the network is ON if either transistor is ON
  - $\ast$  When transistors are in series, the network is ON only if all transistors are ON
- In a proper logic gate: One of the networks should be ON and the other OFF at any given time
- Use the rule of conduction complements:
  - \* When nMOS transistors are in series, the pMOS transistor must be in parallel

Maybe add a definition or a better explanation  $\ast$  When nMOS transistors are in parallel, the pMOS transistors must be in series

### Add picture on slide 34, 03 - EEPerspective

- Logic Gates
  - Perform logic functions: Inversion (NOT), AND, OR, NAND, NOR, etc.
  - Single input: NOT gate, buffer
  - Two-input: AND, OR, XOR, NAND, NOR, XNOR

Buffer	AND	OR	XOR
A — Z	A B z	$\frac{A}{B}$ $\longrightarrow$ $z$	A - Z
A Z 0 0 1 1	A B Z 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 1 1 1	A B Z 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1	A B Z 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 0
Inverter	NAND	NOR	XNOR
A — Z	A Do- z	A Do- z	A - D - z
A Z 0 1 1 0	A B Z 0 0 1 0 1 1 1 0 1	A B Z 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0	A B Z 0 0 1 0 1 0 1 0 0

- Multiple-Input:
  - \* 3, 4, or even more input AND, OR, XOR gates
  - \* Compound gates
    - · AND-OR
    - · OR-AND
    - · AND-OR-INVERT
    - · OR-AND-INVERT
  - \* Other cells: Multiplexers and Adders
- Logic Levels
  - Define ranges of discrete voltages to represent 1 and 0 (i.e. 0 for ground and 1 for 5V  $(V_{DD})$ ) and allow for noise.
- Noise: Is anything that degrades the signal (i.e. resistance, power supply noise, etc.)
- Moore's Law
  - "Number of transistors that can be manufactured doubles roughly every 18 months." Gordon Moore, 1965
- How do we keep Moore's Law:

- Manufacturing smaller structures: some structures are already a few atoms in size
- Developing materials with better properties
- Optimizing the manufacturing steps
- New technologies
- Power consumption
  - Power = Energy consumed per unit time
  - Two types of power consumption:
    - 1. Dynamic power consumption: Power to charge transistor gate capacitances

$$P_{\rm dynamic} = \frac{1}{2}CV_{DD}^2 f$$

2. Static power consumption: Power consumed when no gates are switching, caused by the leakage current

$$P_{\text{static}} = I_{DD}V_{DD}$$

## 4 Combinational Circuits: Theory

- Circuit elements. A circuit consists of:
  - Inputs
  - Outputs
  - Nodes (wires): Connections between I/O and circuit elements. To count them, look at
    - \* Outputs of every circuit elements
    - \* Inputs to the entire circuit
  - Circuit elements
- Types of Logic Circuits
  - Combinational Logic
    - \* Memoryless
    - \* Outputs determined by current values of inputs
    - \* In some books called Combinatorial Logic
  - Sequential Logic
    - \* Has Memory
    - \* Outputs determined by previous and current values of inputs
- Rules of Combinational Composition
  - Every circuit element is itself combinational
  - Every node of the circuit is either
    - \* Designated as an input to the circuit
    - \* Connects to exactly one output terminal of a circuit element

- The circuit contains no cyclic paths: Every path through the circuit visits each node at most once
- Boolean  $\rm Equations^1$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For a more in depth look, use the material from Diskrete Mathematik