

Let's look at Floating Point multiplication
Again, we will start with decimal and
Then do binary.

Multiply $1.110 \times 10^{10} \times 9.200 \times 10^{-5}$

1. Add exponents, so $10 + (-5) = 5$
2. Multiply significands

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1.110 \\
 \times 9.200 \\
 \hline
 0000 \\
 0000 \\
 2220 \\
 9990 \\
 \hline
 10.212000 \Rightarrow 10.212000 \times 10^5
 \end{array}$$

3. Normalize and check for over/underflow

a) 1.0212×10^6

b) can we represent 6?
yes, so no overflow

4. Round and renormalize if need

1.0212×10^6
but, we only have 3 significant digits
to the right of the decimal point in
the original numbers. We round to
3 digits $\Rightarrow 1.021 \times 10^6$

5. Figure sign, both positive, so +

Let's do this with binary numbers

$$1.000_2 \times 2^{-1} \quad (0.5) \\ \times -1.110_2 \times 2^{-2} \quad (-0.4375)$$

1. Add exponents

$$-1 + (-2) \Rightarrow -3$$

See text book on page 219 for discussion on adding biased exponents.

2. Multiply

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.000 \\ \times 1.110 \\ \hline 0000 \\ 1000 \\ 1000 \\ 1000 \\ \hline 1.110000 \end{array}$$

$$1.110000 \times 2^{-3}$$

3. Normalize & check for over/under flow, & round

$$1.110 \times 2^{-3}$$

4. Determine sign
+ve \times -ve \Rightarrow -ve

$$5. \text{ Answer } 1.110_2 \times 2^{-3} \Rightarrow -0.21875_{10}$$