

Integers

Computer Systems Organization

Today

Integers

- Representation: unsigned and signed
- Conversion, casting
- Expanding

How are **Unsigned Integers** Represented in a Computer?

Unsigned Numbers

- An unsigned number is represented as a sequence of bits
- 0 is represented as



- For the following numbers, add 0001
- With 4 bit, 16 values can be represented (i.e., 0 to 15)

Bits	Values
0000	0
0001	1
0010	2
0011	3
0100	4
0101	5
0110	6
0111	7
1000	8
1001	9
1010	10
1011	11
1100	12
1101	13
1110	14
1111	15

Binary <-> Unsigned Integers

■ Translate a binary to an unsigned number



$$1*1 + 1*2 + 0*4 + 1*8 + 0*16 + 0*32 + 1*64 + 0*128 + 0*256 = 75$$

■ Binary to Unsigned

$$B2U(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{w-1} x_i \cdot 2^i$$

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Binary <-> Signed Integers

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Sign bit

256	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1

- 1*256

$$1*1 + 1*2 + 0*4 + 1*8 + 0*16 + 0*32 + 1*64 + 0*128 - 1*256 = -181$$

■ This is called the **two's complement** representation

■ **Binary to two's complement**

$$B2T(X) = -x_{w-1} \cdot 2^{w-1} + \sum_{i=0}^{w-2} x_i \cdot 2^i$$

↖ Sign Bit

Two's Complement

- To calculate the two's complement of a positive number
 - Set the most significant bit to 1
 - Flip all the other bits
 - Add 1

Two's Complement

■ Example: calculate the two's complement of +3

0	0	1	1
---	---	---	---

+3

1	0	1	1
---	---	---	---

Set the most significant bit to 1

1	1	0	0
---	---	---	---

Flip the other bits

1	1	0	1
---	---	---	---

Add 1

Why Two's Complement?

- Another representation: the signed magnitude
- The most significant bit indicates whether a number is positive or negative

Signed Magnitude

■ Example: -2 is represented as follows

0	0	1	0	+2
1	0	1	0	-2

■ Let's see the result of adding +2 and -2

	0	0	1	0	+2
+	1	0	1	0	-2
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	1	1	0	0	-4

■ The sum is not 0

Two's Complement

0	0	1	1	+3	
1	1	0	1	-3	Two's complement
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Two's Complement

0	0	1	1	+3	
1	1	0	1	-3	Two's complement
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0	0	0	0	0	

- The sum is 0
- Two's complement avoids the previous problem of signed magnitude
- More details: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z3mswCN2FJs>

Encoding Integers

Unsigned

$$B2U(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{w-1} x_i \cdot 2^i$$

```
short int x = 15213;  
short int y = -15213;
```

Two's Complement

$$B2T(X) = -x_{w-1} \cdot 2^{w-1} + \sum_{i=0}^{w-2} x_i \cdot 2^i$$

Sign
Bit

■ C short 2 bytes long

	Decimal	Hex	Binary
x	15213	3B 6D	00111011 01101101
y	-15213	C4 93	11000100 10010011

■ Sign Bit

- For 2's complement, most significant bit indicates sign
 - 0 for nonnegative
 - 1 for negative

Numeric Ranges

■ Unsigned Values

- $UMin = 0$
000...0
- $UMax = 2^w - 1$
111...1

■ What is the range of two's complement values?

■ Two's Complement Values

- $TMin = -2^{w-1}$
100...0
- $TMax = 2^{w-1} - 1$
011...1

Values for $W = 16$

	Decimal	Hex	Binary
UMax	65535	FF FF	11111111 11111111
TMax	32767	7F FF	01111111 11111111
TMin	-32768	80 00	10000000 00000000
-1	-1	FF FF	11111111 11111111
0	0	00 00	00000000 00000000

Values for Different Word Sizes

	W			
	8	16	32	64
UMax	255	65,535	4,294,967,295	18,446,744,073,709,551,615
TMax	127	32,767	2,147,483,647	9,223,372,036,854,775,807
TMin	-128	-32,768	-2,147,483,648	-9,223,372,036,854,775,808

■ C Programming

- `#include <limits.h>`
- Declares constants, e.g.,
 - `ULONG_MAX`
 - `LONG_MAX`
 - `LONG_MIN`
- Values platform specific

Unsigned & Signed Numeric Values

X	$B2U(X)$	$B2T(X)$
0000	0	0
0001	1	1
0010	2	2
0011	3	3
0100	4	4
0101	5	5
0110	6	6
0111	7	7
1000	8	-8
1001	9	-7
1010	10	-6
1011	11	-5
1100	12	-4
1101	13	-3
1110	14	-2
1111	15	-1

■ Equivalence

- Same encodings for nonnegative values

■ Uniqueness

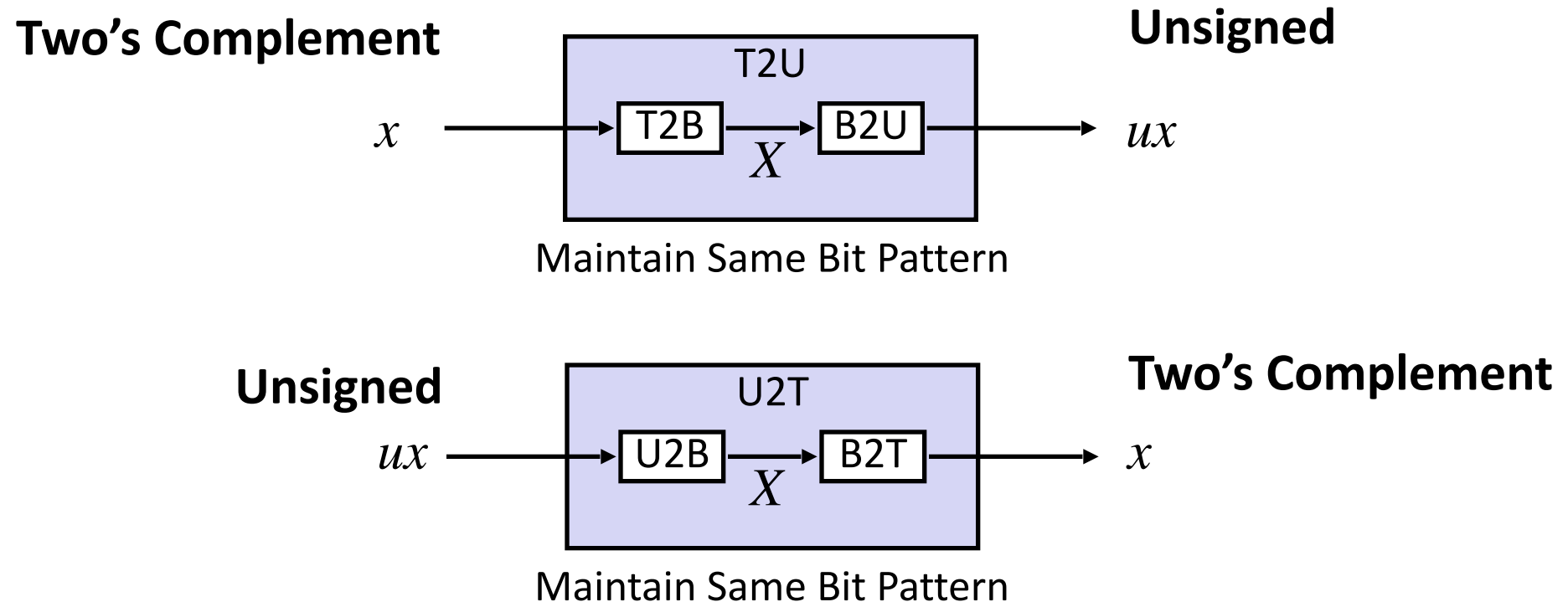
- Every bit pattern represents unique integer value
- Each representable integer has unique bit encoding

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Mapping Between Signed & Unsigned



- Mappings between unsigned and two's complement numbers:
Keep bit representations and reinterpret

Mapping Signed \leftrightarrow Unsigned

Bits	Signed		Unsigned
0000	0		0
0001	1		1
0010	2		2
0011	3		3
0100	4		4
0101	5	→ T2U →	5
0110	6		6
0111	7		7
1000	-8	← U2T ←	8
1001	-7		9
1010	-6		10
1011	-5		11
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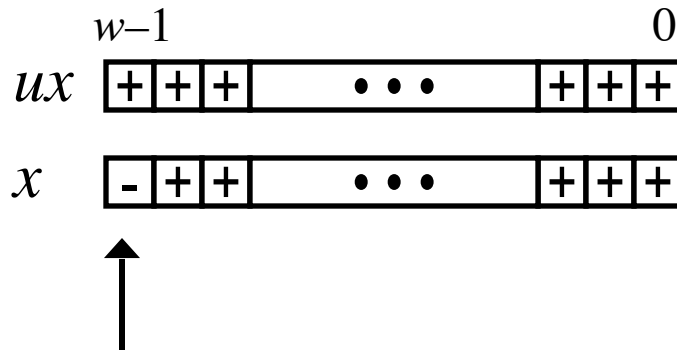
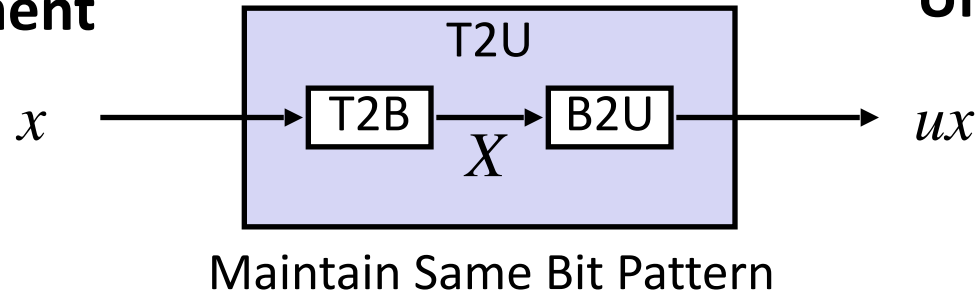
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0000	0	\longleftrightarrow =	0
0001	1		1
0010	2		2
0011	3		3
0100	4		4
0101	5		5
0110	6		6
0111	7		7
1000	-8	\longleftrightarrow +/- 16	8
1001	-7		9
1010	-6		10
1011	-5		11
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Relation between Signed & Unsigned

Two's Complement

Unsigned



Large negative weight

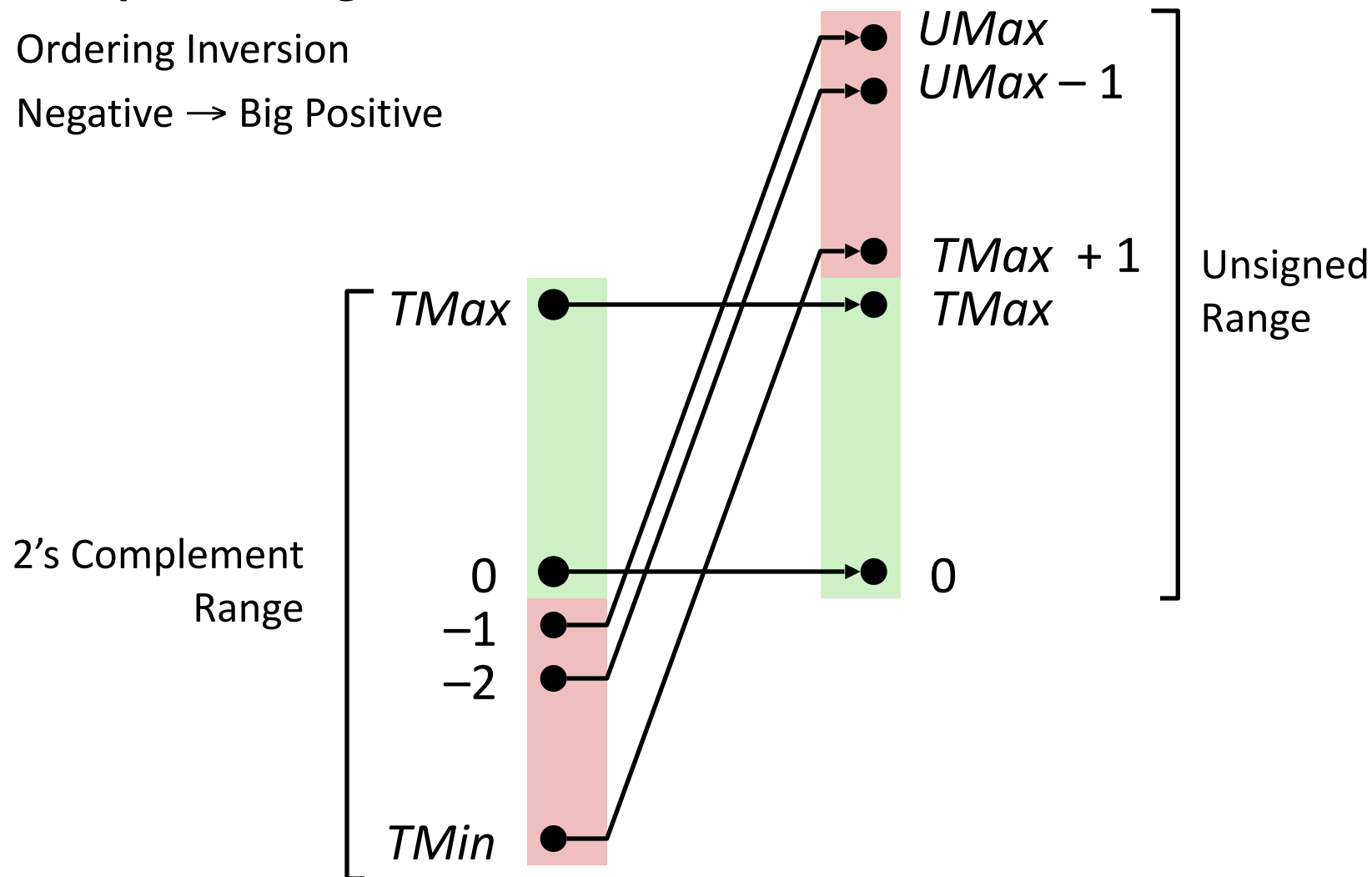
becomes

Large positive weight

Conversion Visualized

■ 2's Comp. → Unsigned

- Ordering Inversion
- Negative → Big Positive



Demo Code (loop_unsigned_iterator.c)

```
int main(void)
{
    unsigned i;

    for (i = 10; i >= 0; i--)
        printf(" i = %u \n", i);

    return 0;
}
```

What would be the result?

Signed vs. Unsigned in C

■ Constants

- By default are considered to be signed integers
- Unsigned if have “U” as suffix

`0U, 4294967259U`

■ Casting

- Explicit casting between signed & unsigned same

```
int tx, ty;  
unsigned ux, uy;  
tx = (int) ux;  
uy = (unsigned) ty;
```

- Implicit casting also occurs via assignments and procedure calls

```
tx = ux;  
uy = ty;
```

Casting Surprises

■ Expression Evaluation

- If there is a mix of unsigned and signed in single expression,
signed values implicitly cast to unsigned
- Including comparison operations <, >, ==, <=, >=

■ Constant ₁	Constant ₂	Relation	Evaluation
0	0U		
-1	0		
-1	0U		
2147483647	-2147483647-1		

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}
```

When i reaches 0 and is decremented, it becomes -1 which is interpreted as UMAX since i is unsigned

Find the bug in this code

```
float sum_elements(float a[], unsigned length)
{
    int i;
    float result = 0;

    for (i = 0; i <= length-1; i++)
        result += a[i];

    return result;
}
```

If `length = 0`, the upper bound in the loop condition becomes `-1`, but since `length` is unsigned, the whole expression is interpreted as an unsigned number. When `-1` is interpreted as an unsigned number it becomes `UMAX`. Any `i` value is always `<= UMAX`, so this loop will never stop

Case Study - Ariane 5

Youtube video: <https://bit.ly/3bQJzma>



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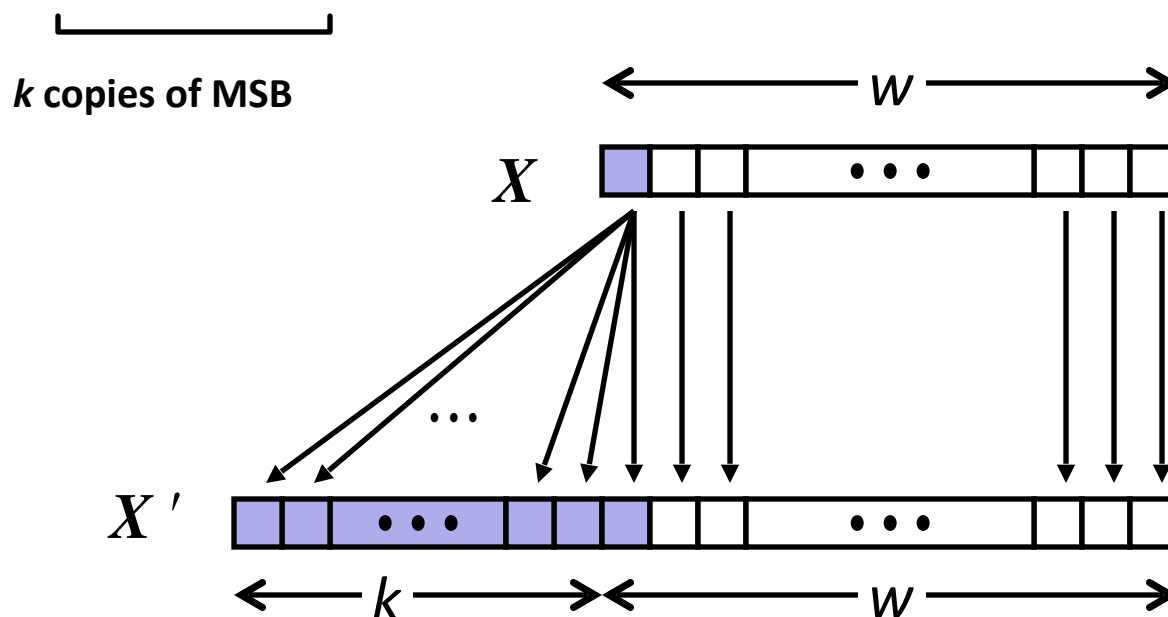
Sign Extension

■ Task:

- Given w -bit signed integer x
- Convert it to $w+k$ -bit integer with same value

■ Rule:

- Make k copies of sign bit:
- $X' = \underbrace{x_{w-1}, \dots, x_{w-1}}_{k \text{ copies of MSB}}, x_{w-1}, x_{w-2}, \dots, x_0$



Sign Extension Example

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short int x = 15213;  
int      ix = (int) x;  
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int      iy = (int) y;
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iy	-15213	FF FF C4 93	11111111 11111111 11000100 10010011

- Converting from smaller to larger integer data type
- C automatically performs sign extension