



Assignment 1: Data Representation

Starting point 2

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Answers

Question 1:

a) The hexadecimal representation of the decimal value **675**

Divide the number by base and take the remainder

$$675/16 = 42 \text{ (remainder: 3)}$$

$$42/16 = 2 \text{ (remainder: 10)}$$

$$2/16 \text{ (remainder: 2)}$$

| <i>base^{position}</i> | 16^2 | 16^1 | 16^0 |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| 0x | 2 | A | 3 |

⇒ **0x2A3**

b) The 8-bit two's complement representation of the negative decimal value **-78**

Divide the positive counterpart of the number by base of 2^n and continue with the remainder

$$78/64 = 1 \text{ (remainder: 14)}$$

$$14/8 = 1 \text{ (remainder 6)}$$

$$6/4 = 1 \text{ (remainder 2)}$$

$$2/2 = 1 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

| <i>base^{position}</i> | 128 | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
|--------------------------------|-----|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|
| 0b | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

⇒ Positive counterpart in binary: 0b01001110

⇒ One complement (flipping all the bits to make a negative number):
0b10110001

⇒ Two complement (add 1): **0b10110010**

c) The IEEE 754 single precision floating point representation of the decimal value **114.5**

$$114.5 = 114 + 0.5$$

Positive number \Rightarrow Sign = 0

Convert the decimal number of 114 into binary:

$$114/2 = 57 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

$$57/2 = 28 \text{ (remainder: 1)}$$

$$28/2 = 14 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

$$14/2 = 7 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

$$7/2 = 3 \text{ (remainder: 1)}$$

$$3/2 = 1 \text{ (remainder: 1)}$$

$$1/2 \text{ (remainder: 1)}$$

| <i>base^{position}</i> | 128 | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
|--------------------------------|-----|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|
| 0b | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

$$\Rightarrow 114 \text{ (dec)} = 0b01110010$$

Convert the fraction number of 0.5 into binary:

$$0.5 * 2 = 1$$

$$0.0 * 2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.5 \text{ (dec)} = 0b0.1$$

$$\Rightarrow 114.5 \text{ decimal in binary is } 0b01110010.1000000$$

$$0b01110010.1000000 * 2^6 \text{ (move 6 decimal places)} = 1.11001010000000$$

$$\text{mantissa} = 11001010000000$$

$$\text{exponent} = 127 + 6 = 133$$

Convert 133 into binary:

$$133/2 = 66 \text{ (remainder: 1)}$$

$$66/2 = 33 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

$$33/2 = 16 \text{ (remainder: 1)}$$

$$16/2 = 8 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

$$8/2 = 4 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

$$4/2 = 2 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

$$2/2 = 1 \text{ (remainder: 0)}$$

$$1/2 \text{ (remainder: 1)}$$

| <i>base^{position}</i> | 128 | 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
|--------------------------------|-----|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|
| 0b | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

$$\Rightarrow 133 \text{ (dec)} = 0b10000101$$

Answer in IEEE 754 single precision floating point: **0 10000101 11001010000000**

Question 2:

Given the 16-bit binary string: **0101 0111 1010 0110**

a) Convert to a hexadecimal value

Hexadecimal is 16-based, while binary is 2-based. With $2^4 = 16$, we can group every 4 bits of the binary string to represent that value in hexadecimal.

| | | | | | |
|-------------|--------|------|------|--------|------|
| Binary | 0b | 0101 | 0111 | 1010 | 0110 |
| Hexadecimal | signed | 5 | 7 | 10 = A | 6 |

$$\Rightarrow 0b 0101 0111 1010 0110 = \mathbf{0x57A6}$$

b) Convert to two 8-bit unsigned integers as decimal values

- First number: 0b 0101 0111

$$(1 * 2^0) + (1 * 2^1) + (1 * 2^2) + (0 * 2^3) + (1 * 2^4) + (0 * 2^5) + (1 * 2^6) + (0 * 2^7) = \mathbf{87}$$

- Second number: 0b 1010 0110
 $(0 * 2^0) + (1 * 2^1) + (1 * 2^2) + (0 * 2^3) + (0 * 2^4) + (1 * 2^5) + (0 * 2^6) + (1 * 2^7) = 166$

c) Convert to two 8-bit unsigned integers (two's complement) as decimal values

- First number: 0b 0101 0111

The first digit is 0 => this is a positive number => does not change for two's complement

0b 0101 0111 = **87** (dec)

- Second number: 0b 1010 0110

The first digit is 1 => this is a negative number => subtract 1

$1010\ 0110 - 1 = 1010\ 0101$

Flip: 0101 1010

Convert to decimal: $(0 * 2^0) + (1 * 2^1) + (0 * 2^2) + (1 * 2^3) + (1 * 2^4) + (0 * 2^5) + (1 * 2^6) + (0 * 2^7) = 90$

Since this is a negative number, therefore it is **-90** (dec)

d) Convert to one half-precision (16 bit) floating point value as a decimal value

0 | 10101 | 1110100110

Sign = 0 => Positive number

Exponent bias = $2^{5-1} - 1 = 16 - 1 = 15$

Exponent = 0b 10101 – Exponent bias = $(1 * 2^0) + (0 * 2^1) + (1 * 2^2) + (0 * 2^3) + (1 * 2^4) - 15 = 1 + 4 + 16 - 15 = 6$

Mantissa = 1.1110100110 = $(1 * 2^0) + (1 * 2^{-1}) + (1 * 2^{-2}) + (1 * 2^{-3}) + (0 * 2^{-4}) + (1 * 2^{-5}) + (0 * 2^{-6}) + (0 * 2^{-7}) + (1 * 2^{-8}) + (1 * 2^{-9}) + (0 * 2^{-10}) = \frac{979}{512} = 1.912109375$

$$\text{Number} = (-1)^{\text{sign}} * \text{Mantissa} * 2^{\text{exponent}} = (-1)^0 * 1.912109375 * 2^6 = 122.375$$

Question 3:

c2 b9 f0 9d 9f ba 39 e2 a0 a1

Convert UTF-8 to binary

| UTF-8 | Hexadecimal | First digit to binary | Second digit to binary | Adding 2 digits together |
|--------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| U+00C2 | C2 | 0xC = 0b1100 | 0x2 = 0b0010 | 1100 0010 |
| U+00B9 | B9 | 0xB = 0b1011 | 0x9 = 0b1001 | 1011 1001 |
| U+00F0 | F0 | 0xF = 0b1111 | 0x0 = 0b0000 | 1111 0000 |
| U+009D | 9D | 0x9 = 0b1001 | 0xD = 0b1101 | 1001 1101 |
| U+009F | 9F | 0x9 = 0b1001 | 0xF = 0b1111 | 1001 1111 |
| U+00BA | BA | 0xB = 0b1011 | 0xA = 0b1010 | 1011 1010 |
| U+0039 | 39 | 0x3 = 0b0011 | 0x9 = 0b1001 | 0011 1001 |
| U+00E2 | E2 | 0xE = 0b1110 | 0x2 = 0b0010 | 1110 0010 |
| U+00A0 | A0 | 0xA = 0b1010 | 0x0 = 0b0000 | 1010 0000 |
| U+00A1 | A1 | 0xA = 0b1010 | 0x1 = 0b0001 | 1010 0001 |

UTF-8 number of bytes

| From | To | # bytes | Bits used | Byte 1 | Byte 2 | Byte 3 | Byte 4 |
|---------|----------|---------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| U+0000 | U+007F | 1 | 7 | 0xxxxxxx | | | |
| U+0080 | U+07FF | 2 | 11 | 110xxxxx | 10xxxxxx | | |
| U+0800 | U+FFFF | 3 | 16 | 1110xxxx | 10xxxxxx | 10xxxxxx | |
| U+10000 | U+10FFFF | 4 | 21 | 11110xxx | 10xxxxxx | 10xxxxxx | 10xxxxxx |

- C2 and B9 are represented by a 2-byte UTF-8 single Unicode character as it has 110xxxxx format: 110 00010 10 111001
- F0, 9D, 9F and BA are represented by a 4-byte UTF-8 single Unicode character as it has 11110xxx format: 11110 000 10 011101 10 011111 10 111010
- 39 is represented by a 1-byte UTF-8 single Unicode character as it has 0xxxxxxx format: 0 0111001

- E2, A0, and A1 are represented by a 3-byte UTF-8 single Unicode character as it has 1110xxxx format: 1110 0010 10 100000 10 100001

⇒ First character: 0b0000 0000 1011 1001 => 00B9

⇒ Second character: 0b0001 1101 0111 1111 1010 => 1D7FA

⇒ Third character: 0b0000 0000 0011 1001 => 0039

⇒ Fourth character: 0b0010 1000 0010 0001 => 2821

Adding U+ to the beginning:

U+00B9, U+1D7FA, U+0039, U+2821