

Written Problems

Problem 1

(1) What is the binary for the decimal numeral 255, using 8 bits?

$$255 = 128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 = 2^7 + 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 + 2^0 \\ = \mathbf{1111\ 1111}$$

(2) What is the binary for the decimal numeral 127, using 8 bits?

$$127 = 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 = 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 + 2^0 \\ = \mathbf{0111\ 1111}$$

(3) What is the binary for the decimal numeral 126, using 8 bits?

$$126 = 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 = 2^6 + 2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 \\ = \mathbf{0111\ 1110}$$

(4) What is the most significant bit in the binary numeral 1001 0000?

1

(5) What is the least significant bit in the binary numeral 1001 0000?

0

(6) What decimal numeral is represented by the binary numeral 1001 0000?

$$1001\ 0000 = 2^7 + 2^4 = 128 + 16 = \mathbf{144}$$

Problem 2: Consider 01101000 01101001 00100001 01100001 01101100 01101100
11110100 00100001.

(1) Suppose each byte above is the ISO-88591 encoding of a character. What do the characters spell out?

$$0110\ 1000 = 64 + 32 + 8 = 104 \rightarrow \mathbf{h}$$

$$0110\ 1001 = 64 + 32 + 8 + 1 = 105 \rightarrow \mathbf{i}$$

$$0010\ 0001 = 32 + 1 = 33 \rightarrow !$$

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$$0110\ 1100 = 64 + 32 + 8 + 4 = 108 \rightarrow l$$

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$$1111\ 0100 = 128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 4 = 244 \rightarrow \hat{o}$$

$$0010\ 0001 = 32 + 1 = 33 \rightarrow !$$

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(2) Suppose the seventh byte is the 8-bit signed base-2 representation of the integer x . What is the signed base-10 representation of x ? Now suppose the seventh byte is the 8-bit unsigned base-2 representation of x ? What is the signed base-10 representation of x ?

$$1111\ 0100 = -(64 + 32 + 16 + 4) = \mathbf{-116}$$

$$1111\ 0100 = 128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 4 = \mathbf{244}$$

(3) Suppose the seventh byte is the 8-bit twos-complement representation of the integer x . What is the signed base-10 representation of x ? Explain your calculation.

$$\text{decrement: } 1111\ 0100 - 1 = 1111\ 0011$$

$$\text{complement: } 1111\ 0011 \rightarrow 0000\ 1100$$

$$\text{positive decimal value: } 0000\ 1100 = 8 + 4 = 12$$

-12

$$\text{check: } 256 - 12 = 244 = 1111\ 0100$$