

## 4.3 Reverse Bits

Reverse bits of a given 32 bits unsigned integer (LeetCode)

def reverse(n):

result = 0

pos = 31 # for 32 bits

while n:

result += (n & 1) << pos

n = n >> 1

pos -= 1

return result

reverse bits one by one

1. extract the right most bit

(Use AND operation here)

2. append to the result variable

- Iterate through the bit string of the input integer, from right to left (i.e.  $n = n \gg 1$ ). To retrieve the right-most bit of an integer, we apply bit AND operation ( $n \& 1$ )
- For each bit, we reverse it to the correct position (i.e.  $(n \& 1) \ll \text{power}$ ) then we accumulate this reversed bit to the result variable

$O(1)$  Time Complexity  $\rightarrow$  since the input is the integer of fixed-size (32 bits)

$O(1)$  space Complexity