

# Week 1

## Question 9.

int x; // variable at address 1000 with initial value 0.  
int \*p; // variable at address 2000 with initial value 0.

statement	x value	p value (p points to)	x address	p address
initial.	0	0	1000	2000
a. p = &x;	0	1000	1000	2000
b. x = 5;	5	1000	1000	2000
c. *p = 3;	3	1000	1000	2000
d. x = (int)p;	1000	1000	1000	2000
e. x = (int)&p;	2000	1000	1000	2000
f. p = NULL;	? 2000	NULL	1000	2000
g. *p = 1;	fail	because p is NULL		

&p = 2000

2000 | P 1000

1000 | x 5

## Question 6.

when to use \* and/or malloc for structs?  
struct node a;

see code  
a.b.

struct node \* b;

what does malloc do?

Struct  
can hold different  
variable types

fields are  
accessed by  
names

Array  
only one  
type

fields are  
accessed by  
indexes

# Week 2

int  $\rightarrow$  any # of bytes (at least 2 bytes)

1. When should the types in `stdint.h` be used?

$\Rightarrow$  what is the type uint8\_t?  
 unsigned int that is 8 bits

how is it different to int8\_t?  
 not unsigned

2. How are the bases [decimal (base 10), hexadecimal (base 16), octal (base 8) and binary (base 2)] denoted in C?

hexadecimal: starts with 0x  
 octal: starts with 0  
 decimal: any other case  
 binary:  $\rightarrow$  0b  $\rightarrow$  not standard  $\rightarrow$  don't use !!

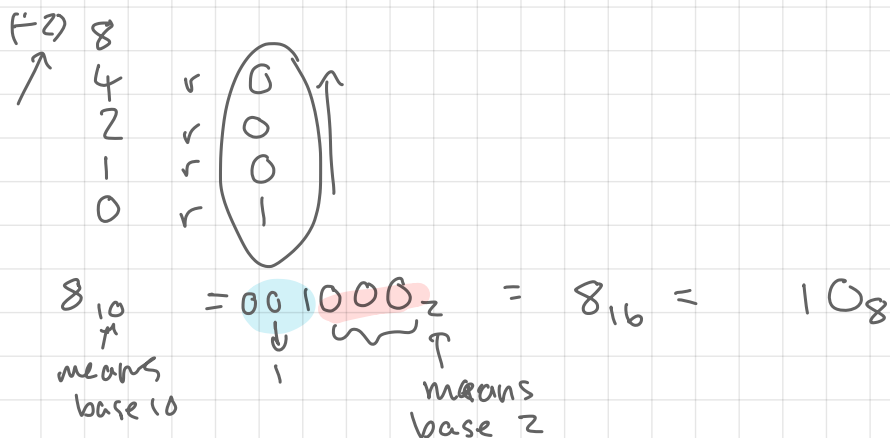
	decimal	binary	octal	hexadecimal
a.	1	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	0 0 1	0 1
b.	8	0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0	0 1 0	0 8
c.	10			
d.	15	0 0 0 0   1 1 1 1 $2^0 \quad 2^2 \quad 2^1 \quad 2^0$	0 1 7	0 F
e.	16			
f.	100			
g.	127			
h.	200			

15  
 7 r 1  
 3 r 1  
 1 r 1  
 0 r 1

Decimal	Hexadecimal	Binary
0	0	0000
1	1	0001
2	2	0010
3	3	0011
4	4	0100
5	5	0101
6	6	0110
7	7	0111

Decimal	Hexadecimal	Binary
8	8	1000
9	9	1001
10	A	1010
11	B	1011
12	C	1100
13	D	1101
14	E	1110
15	F	1111

decimal  $\rightarrow$  binary (by hand)



binary  $\rightarrow$  hex

4 digits of binary are equal to 1 digit in hex.   
  $\uparrow$  hexadecimal

$\begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2^3 & 2^2 & 2^1 & 2^0 \end{matrix}$ 
  
 $15 = F$ 
  
 $\uparrow$ 
  
 $\begin{matrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2^3 & 2^2 & 2^1 & 2^0 \end{matrix}$ 
  
 $2^3 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 0 + 2^1 \times 1 + 2^0 \times 1$

(bin  $\rightarrow$  dec)

binary  $\rightarrow$  octal

same as bin  $\rightarrow$  hex but 3 digits

$111_2 = 7$

### 3. Bitwise Operations

	A	B	OR	AND &	XOR ^		A	NOT ~
1.	0	0	0	0	0		0	1
2.	0	1	1	0	1		1	0
3.	1	0	1	0	1			
4.	1	1	1	1	0			
	True = 1 False = 0		at least one is 1	need both to be 1	only one can be 1			invert the input

a)  $0x5555 \mid 0xAAAA$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 0101 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \\ 1010 & 1010 & 1010 & 1010 \end{array} \quad \text{0x0000}$$

1 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111

b)  $0x5555 \& 0xAAAA$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 0101 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \\ 1010 & 1010 & 1010 & 1010 \end{array} \quad \text{0x0000}$$

& 0000 0000 0000 0000

c)  $0x5555 \wedge 0xAAAA$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 0101 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \\ 1010 & 1010 & 1010 & 1010 \end{array} \quad \text{0x0000}$$

1111 1111 1111 1111

d)  $0x5555 \& \sim 0xAAAA$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 0101 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \\ 0101 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \end{array} \quad \text{0x5555}$$

0101 0101 0101 0101

e)  $0x0001 \ll 6$

bitwise shift (to) left

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 0000 & 0000 & 0000 & 0001 \\ 00 & 0000 & 000100 & 0000 \end{array}$$

pad w/ 0's

f)  $0x5555 \gg 4$

always use unsigned vars!!

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 0101 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \\ 0000 & 0101 & 0101 & 0101 \end{array}$$

g)  $0x5555 \& (0xAAAA \ll 1)$

h)  $0xAAAA \mid 0x0001$

i)  $0xAAAA \& \sim 0x0001$

$$1000$$

$2^3$

Given a variable  $X$ ...

Copy / extract the value of a specific bit:  $X \& \text{mask}$

Set a specific bit to 1:  $X \mid \text{mask}$

Set a specific bit to 0:  $X \& \sim \text{mask}$

invert a specific bit:  $X \wedge \text{mask}$

set a specific bit to 1.

mask:  $\begin{array}{cc} 0011 & 0000 \\ 0000 & 0100 \end{array}$

want:  $\begin{array}{cc} 0011 & 0100 \\ 0011 & 0100 \end{array}$

↑ want to set the original value to 1 @ this digit

↑ good

$\begin{array}{cc} 0011 & 0100 \\ 0000 & 0100 \\ \hline 0011 & 0000 \end{array}$

↑

is  $a \wedge b == a \& \sim b$ ?

a	b	$\sim b$	$a \wedge b$	$a \& \sim b$
0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0

no, they're different (2)

$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$

$00000 = 0$

1000

$i = 31$   
 $\text{extract} = 31$   
 $\text{setting} = 31 - 31 = 0$

$i = 28$   
 $\text{extract} = 28$   
 $\text{setting} = 31 - 28 = 3$

set a specific bit to 0.

a orig  $\begin{array}{cc} 0110 & 1000 \\ 0010 & 0001 \end{array}$

b mask  $\begin{array}{cc} 0110 & 1000 \\ 0010 & 0001 \end{array}$

$a \& \sim b$   $\begin{array}{cc} 0100 & 1000 \\ 0000 & 0000 \end{array}$

copy specific bit:

orig mask  $\begin{array}{cc} 0110 & 1010 \\ 0011 & 0000 \end{array}$

want:  $\begin{array}{cc} 0010 & 0000 \\ 0010 & 0000 \end{array}$

try &  $\begin{array}{cc} 0010 & 0000 \\ 0010 & 0000 \end{array}$

# Week 3

!! weekly tests start this week !!

## Negative Values

How are signed values represented?

X X X X X X X X X X X X X X

0 = positive

1 = negative

representing a number with 2's complement

\* for positive values:

we don't use 2's comp.

same representation (normal binary)

\* for negative values:

use 2's complement

for a int8-t variable

Eg.  $5_{10}$ :

0000 0101<sub>2</sub>

vs  $-5_{10}$ :

Use 2's complement: invert all binary digits and then add 1.

1111 1010 + 1 = 1111 1011  
signifying that this is negative.

$100_{10}$ :

0110 0100

vs  $-100_{10}$ :

invert 1001 1011

add 1: 1001 1100<sub>2</sub>

$-28$ :  $28_{10} = 0001 1100_2$   
 $\therefore -28_{10} = 1110 0100_2$   
invert find 1st 1 from RHS keep the same

convert 16-bit representation to the corresponding decimal value:

•  $0x0013$

0000 0000 0001 0011  
+ve  
 $\therefore$  read as normal  
 $2^4 + 2^1 + 2^0 = 19_{10}$

•  $0xffff$   $\Rightarrow f = 1111$

1111 1111 1111 1111  
-ve  
two's complement.  
= -1

in order to get the magnitude original, apply 2's comp. again:

0000 0000 0000 0001 = 1

0x 800f

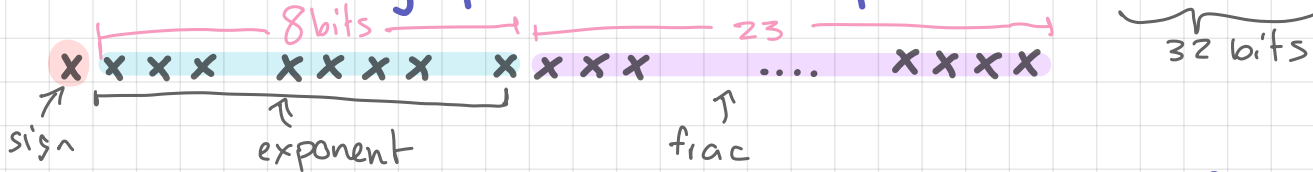
<sup>2<sup>3</sup></sup>  
= 1000 0000 0000 1111  
↳ ∴ negative ←

∴ we need 2's complement.  
⇒ 0111 1111 1111 0001

= -32753

# Floating Point Values

How are floating point values represented? (IEEE 754)



from this we can calculate the value with the formula:

$$\text{sign} \times (1 + \text{frac}) \times 2^{\text{exp} - 127}$$

note: we don't use two's complement here.

Eg: Convert the following to decimal numbers

f) 0 100030000 0110...0

sign: = 1 (∴ positive)

exp: =  $2^7 = 128$

frac: =  $2^{-2} + 2^{-3} = 0.375$

value =  $1 \times (1 + 0.375) \times 2^{128-127} = 2.75$

2<sup>5</sup> 2<sup>4</sup> 2<sup>3</sup> 2<sup>2</sup> 2<sup>1</sup> 2<sup>0</sup> . 2<sup>-1</sup> 2<sup>-2</sup> 2<sup>-3</sup> ...

c) 0 0 111111 10000000 -1

sign: 1

exp: 127

frac: 0.5

value =  $1 \times (1 + 0.5) \times 2^{127-127} = 1.5$

a) 0 00000000 000...0

sign: 1

exp: 0

frac: 0

value =  $1 \times (1 + 0) \times 2^{0-127} = 2^{-127} \approx 0$

b) 1 00000000 000...0

sign: -1

exp: 0

frac: 0

value =  $-1 \times (1 + 0) \times 2^{0-127} = -2^{-127} \approx -0$

denormal

in c we're looking mostly

(a) float not double



Eg 2: Convert the following to IEEE 754 encoded bit strings:

a)  $2.5 \div 2^1 = 1.25 \Leftrightarrow 2.5 = 1.25 \times 2^1$   
 sign: 1x (bit = 0 to show +ve)  
 exp:  $1 = \text{exp} - 127 \Rightarrow \text{exp} = 128$   
 frac:  $0.25_{10}$   
 bits = 0 1000 0000 0100000000...0

first express the number  
in the form:  
 $\pm (1 + \text{frac}) \times 2^n$

$$n = \text{exp} - 127$$

b)  $0.375 \times 2^2 = 1.5 \Rightarrow 0.375 = 1.5 \times 2^{-2}$   
 sign: bit = 0  
 exp:  $-2 = \text{exp} - 127 \Rightarrow \text{exp} = 125$   
 frac:  $0.375_{10} = 0.011_2$   
 bits = 0 011 1101 0110 ....0

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

1000 0000

c) 27.0  
 sign:  
 exp:  
 frac:  
 bits =

next  
page.

d) 100  
 sign:  
 exp:  
 frac:  
 bits =

to convert frac to  
binary  
 (x2) 0.25  
 0.5  
 1.0  
 .0

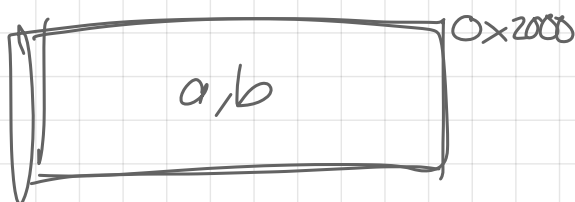
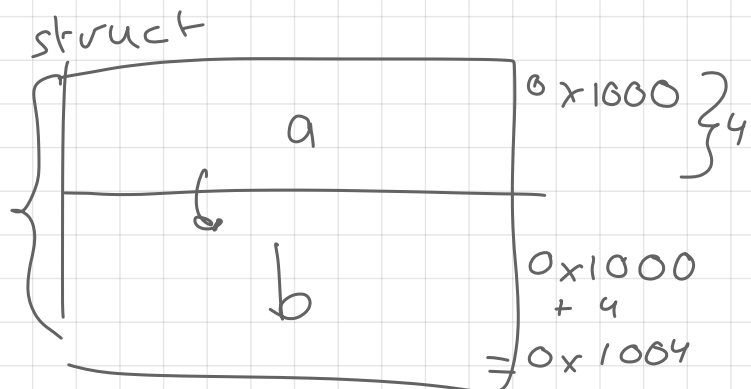
## Structs vs Unions

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struct {
    int a;
    float b;
} x1;
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&x1 = 0x1000  
 &(x1.a) = 0x1000  
 &(x1.b) = 0x1004

```
union {
    int a;
    float b;
} x2;
```

&x2 = 0x2000  
 &(x2.a) = 0x2000  
 &(x2.b) = 0x2000



$$\begin{array}{r}
 0.\overline{375}_{10} \\
 (\times 2) \downarrow 0.\overline{75} \\
 1.\overline{5} \\
 \downarrow 1.\overline{0} \\
 \boxed{.011}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 27 \div 2^4 &= 1.6875 \\
 \Rightarrow 27 &= (1 + 0.6875) \times 2^{\textcircled{4}} \\
 n &= 4 \quad \swarrow \text{frac}
 \end{aligned}$$

c) 27.0

**sign:** bit = 0  $\because$  positive

**exp:**  $n = \text{exp} - 127; n=4 \therefore \text{exp} = 127 + 4 = 131_{10}$

**frac:** 0.6875  $= 1000\ 0011_2$

**bits =** 0 1000 0011 10110...0

$$\begin{array}{r}
 (\times 2) \downarrow 0.6875 \\
 1.375 \\
 0.75 \\
 1.5 \\
 1.0
 \end{array}$$