

# Basics of Number System

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# Recap: Basics of Number System

## Binary Numbers

- Binary to Decimal Conversion
- Decimal to Binary Conversion

## Hexadecimal Numbers

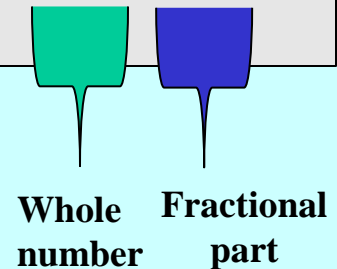
- Binary to Hexadecimal Conversion
- Hexadecimal to Binary Conversion

# Binary Numbers

- The binary number system has base 2.
- The value of digit is determined by its position in the number.
- The two binary digits are: 1 and 0.
- The weights in a binary number are based on powers of two.

Example of a binary full number: 101

Example of a binary fractional number: 101.01



**Whole  
number**   **Fractional  
part**

**TABLE 2-1**

Decimal Number	Binary Number			
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	1	1
4	0	1	0	0
5	0	1	0	1
6	0	1	1	0
7	0	1	1	1
8	1	0	0	0
9	1	0	0	1
10	1	0	1	0
11	1	0	1	1
12	1	1	0	0
13	1	1	0	1
14	1	1	1	0
15	1	1	1	1

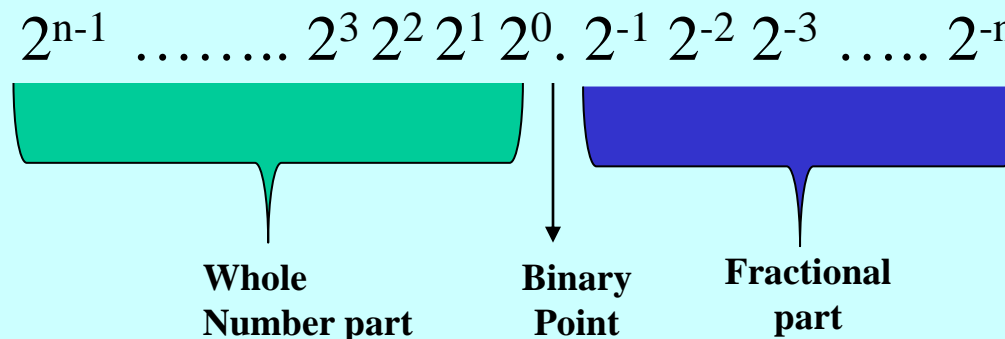
**TABLE 2-2**

Binary weights.

Positive Powers of Two (Whole Numbers)									Negative Powers of Two (Fractional Number)					
$2^8$	$2^7$	$2^6$	$2^5$	$2^4$	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$	$2^{-1}$	$2^{-2}$	$2^{-3}$	$2^{-4}$	$2^{-5}$	$2^{-6}$
256	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1	1/2	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64
									0.5	0.25	0.125	0.625	0.03125	0.015625

# The Weighting Structure of Binary Number

- A binary number is a weighted number. The right most bit is the LSB (least significant bit) in a binary whole number and has a weight of  $2^0=1$ . For whole numbers, the weights are positive powers of two that increases from right to left.
- Fractional decimal digits are placed to the right of decimal point. The left most bit is MSB in a binary fractional number and a weight of  $2^{-1}$ . For fractional numbers, the weights are negative powers of two that decreases from left to right.
- The weight structure of a binary number is:



Example 1: Convert 1101 to decimal.

Weights:	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$
Binary Digit:	1	1	0	1

$$\begin{aligned} 1101 &= 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^0 \\ &= 8 + 4 + 1 = 13 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2: Convert 10.111 to decimal number.

Weights:	$2^1$	$2^0$	.	$2^{-1}$	$2^{-2}$	$2^{-3}$
Binary Digit:	1	0	.	1	1	1

$$\begin{aligned} 10.111 &= 2^1 + 2^{-1} + 2^{-2} + 2^{-3} \\ &= 2 + 0.5 + 0.25 + 0.125 = 2.875 \end{aligned}$$

# Converting whole decimal numbers to binary (Sum-of-weights Method)

- Determine the set of binary weights whose sum is equal to the decimal number.
- Place 1's and 0's on the appropriate weight positions determines the binary number for that decimal number.
- An easy way to remember binary weights is that the lowest is 1, which is  $2^0$ , and that doubling any weight, you get the next higher weight. A list of seven binary weights :

Weights: 64	32	16	8	4	2	1
Weights: $2^6$	$2^5$	$2^4$	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$

# Converting 9 to binary number

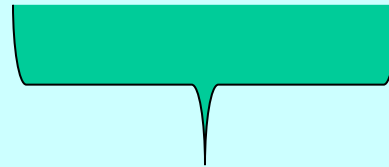
- Step 1: The set of binary weights 8 and 1, whose sum is equal to the decimal number.

Weights: 64   32   16   **8**   4   2   **1**

- Step 2: Place 1's and 0's on the appropriate weight positions determines the binary number for that decimal number.

Weights: ~~64~~   ~~32~~   ~~16~~   8   4   2   1

1   0   0   1



**Desired binary  
number**



Example 1: Convert decimal number 25 to binary using Sum-of-Weights Method.

$$25 = 16 + 8 + 4 + 1$$

Weights:	16	8	4	2	1
Weights:	$2^4$	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$
	1	1	0	0	1
Binary value =	11001				

Example 2: Convert decimal number 58 to binary using Sum-of-Weights Method.

$$58 = 32 + 16 + 8 + 2$$

Weights:	32	16	8	4	2	1
Weights:	$2^5$	$2^4$	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$
	1	1	1	0	1	0
Binary value =	111010					

# Hexadecimal Numbers

- The hexadecimal number system has sixteen characters; it is used primarily as a compact way of displaying or writing binary numbers because it is very easy to convert between binary and hexadecimal.
- As you are probably aware, long binary numbers are difficult to read and write because it is easy to drop or transpose a bit.
- The hexadecimal number system has a base of sixteen; that is, it is composed of 16 numeric and alphabetic characters.
- Most digital systems process binary data in groups that are multiples of four bits, making the hexadecimal number very convenient because each hexadecimal digit represents a 4-bit binary number

# Hexadecimal Numbers

**TABLE 2-3**

Decimal	Binary	Hexadecimal
0	0000	0
1	0001	1
2	0010	2
3	0011	3
4	0100	4
5	0101	5
6	0110	6
7	0111	7
8	1000	8
9	1001	9
10	1010	A
11	1011	B
12	1100	C
13	1101	D
14	1110	E
15	1111	F

# Binary-to-Hexadecimal Conversion

- Simply break the binary number into 4-bit groups, starting at the right-most bit and replace each 4-bit group with the equivalent hexadecimal symbol.

Convert the following binary numbers to hexadecimal:

(a) 1100101001010111 (b) 111111000101101001

## Solution

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{(a)} & 1100 & 1010 & 0101 & 0111 & & \\ & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & & \\ & C & A & 5 & 7 & = & \mathbf{CA57}_{16} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \text{(b)} & 0011 & 1111 & 1000 & 1011 & 0100 & 1 & & \\ & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow & & & \\ & 3 & F & 1 & 6 & 9 & = & \mathbf{3F169}_{16} \end{array}$$

Two zeros have been added in part (b) to complete a 4-bit group at the left.

# Hexadecimal-to-Binary Conversion

- To convert from a hexadecimal number to a binary number, reverse the process and replace each hexadecimal symbol with the appropriate four bits.

Determine the binary numbers for the following hexadecimal numbers: (a)  $10A4_{16}$  (b)  $CF8E_{16}$

## Solution

(a)  $1 \quad 0 \quad A \quad 4$   
↓ ↓ ↓ ↓  
 $1000010100100$

(b)  $C \quad F \quad 8 \quad E$   
↓ ↓ ↓ ↓  
 $1100111110001110$

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