

CHAPTER 3: Number Systems

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Counting and Arithmetic

- Decimal or base 10 number system
 - Origin: counting on the fingers
 - "Digit" from the Latin word digitus meaning "finger"
- Base: the number of different digits, including zero, in the number system
 - Example: Base 10 has 10 digits, 0 through 9
- Binary or base 2
 - Bit (short for binary digit): 2 digits, 0 and 1
- Octal or base 8: 8 digits, 0 through 7
- Hexadecimal or base 16: 16 digits, 0 through F
- Examples: $10_{10} = A_{16}$; $11_{10} = B_{16}$



Why Binary?

- Early computer design was decimal
 - Mark I and ENIAC
- John von Neumann proposed binary data processing (1945)
 - Simplified computer design
 - Used for both instructions and data
- Natural relationship between on/off switches and calculations using Boolean logic

On	Off
True	False
Yes	No
1	0



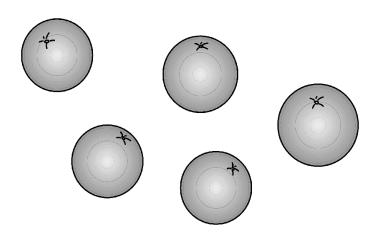
Keeping Track of the Bits

- Bits commonly stored and manipulated in groups
 - 8 bits = 1 byte
 - 4 bytes = 1 word (in many systems)
- Number of bits used in calculations
 - Affects accuracy of results
 - Limits size and range of numbers manipulated by the computer



Numbers: Physical Representation

- Different numerals, same number of oranges
 - Cave dweller: IIIII
 - Roman: V
 - Arabic: 5
- Different bases, same number of oranges
 - **5**₁₀
 - **101**₂
 - 12₃





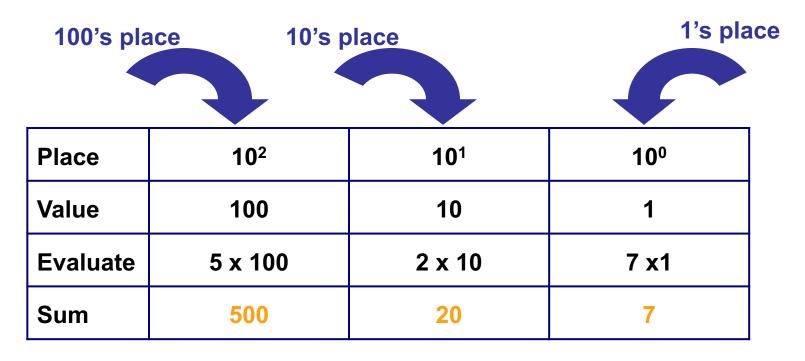
Number Systems

- Roman: position independent, simple additive system
 - Example: XII is a ten and two ones, i.e. 12
- Modern systems: based on positional notation (place value)
 - Decimal system: based on powers of 10
 - Binary system: based powers of 2
 - Octal system: based on powers of 8
 - Hexadecimal system: based powers of 16



Positional Notation: Base 10

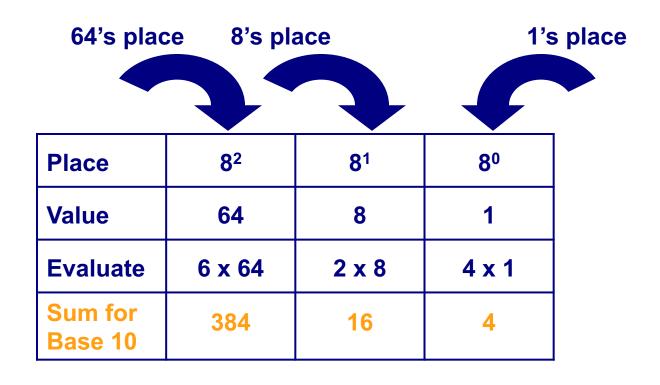






Positional Notation: Octal

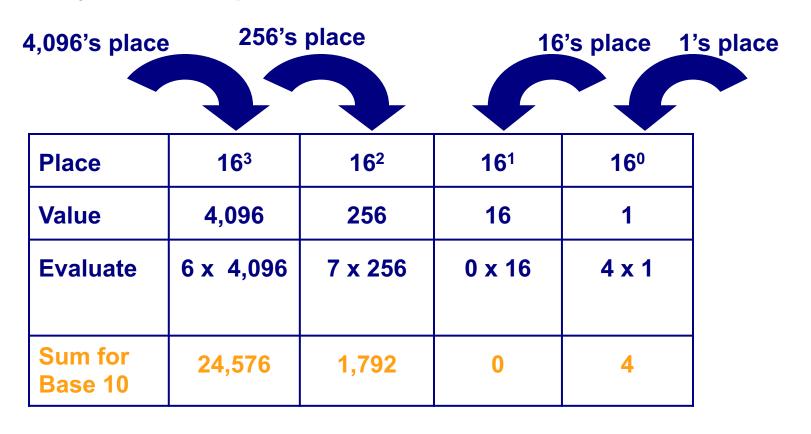
$$624_8 = 404_{10}$$





Positional Notation: Hexadecimal

$$6,704_{16} = 26,372_{10}$$





Positional Notation: Binary

 $1101\ 0110_2 = 214_{10}$

Place	2 ⁷	2 ⁶	2 ⁵	24	2 ³	2 ²	2 ¹	2 ⁰
Value	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
Evaluate	1 x 128	1 x 64	0 x 32	1 x16	0 x 8	1 x 4	1 x 2	0 x 1
Sum for Base 10	128	64	0	16	0	4	2	0



Range of Possible Numbers

- R = BK
 - R = range
 - B = base
 - K = number of digits
- Example #1: Base 10, 2 digits
 - $R = 10^2 = 100$ different numbers (0...99)
- Example #2: Base 2, 16 digits
 - $R = 2^{16} = 65,536 \text{ or } 64K$
 - 16-bit number can represent 65,536 different number values



Decimal Range for Bit Widths

Bits	Digits	Range
1	0+	2 (0 and 1)
4	1+	16 (0 to 15)
8	2+	256
10	3	1,024 (1K)
16	4+	65,536 (64K)
20	6	1,048,576 (1M)
32	9+	4,294,967,296 (4G)
64	19+	Approx. 1.6 x 10 ¹⁹
128	38+	Approx. 2.6 x 10 ³⁸



Different Number Bases

- Base:
 - The number of different symbols required to represent any given number
- The *larger* the base, the *more* symbols are required
 - Base 10: 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9
 - Base 2: 0,1
 - Base 8: 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7
 - Base 16: 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F



Number of Symbols vs. Number of Digits

- For a given number, the larger the base
 - the more symbols required
 - but the fewer digits needed
- Example #1:
 - **■** 65₁₆ 101₁₀ 145₈ 110 0101₂
- Example #2:
 - 11C₁₆ 284₁₀ 434₈ 1 0001 1100₂



Counting in Base 2

Binary		Decimal			
Number	8's (2 ³)	4's (2 ²)	2's (21)	1's (2 ⁰)	Number
0				0 x 2 ⁰	0
1				1 x 2 ⁰	1
10			1 x 2 ¹	0 x 2º	2
11			1 x 2 ¹	1 x 2 ⁰	3
100		1 x 2 ²			4
101		1 x 2 ²		1 x 2 ⁰	5
110		1 x 2 ²	1 x 2 ¹		6
111		1 x 2 ²	1 x 2 ¹	1 x 2 ⁰	7
1000	1 x 2 ³				8
1001	1 x 2 ³			1 x 2 ⁰	9
1010	1 x 2 ³		1 x 2 ¹		10



Base 10 Addition Table

3 ₁₀ +	$6_{10} = 9$	9 ₁₀								
+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
4	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13



Base 8 Addition Table

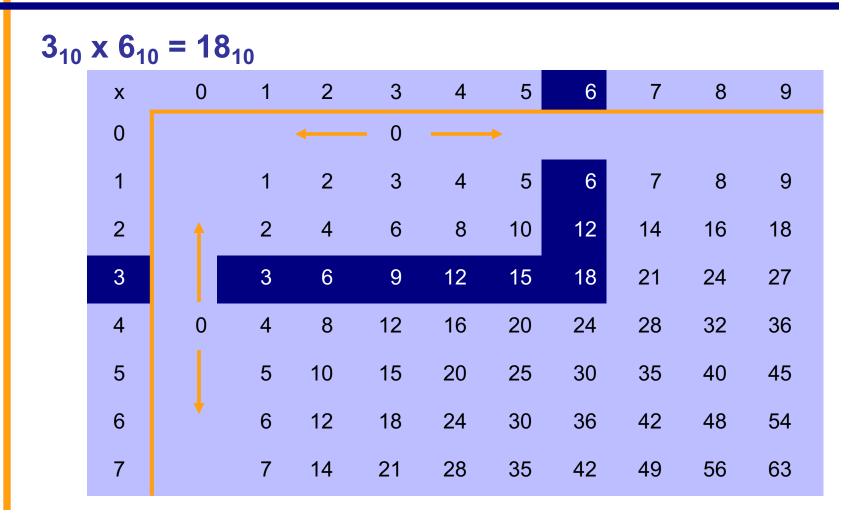
$$3_8 + 6_8 = 11_8$$

+	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	10
2	2	3	4	5	6	7	10	11
3	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12
4	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13
5	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14
6	6	7	10	11	12	13	14	15
7	7	10	11	12	13	14	15	16

(no 8 or 9, of course)

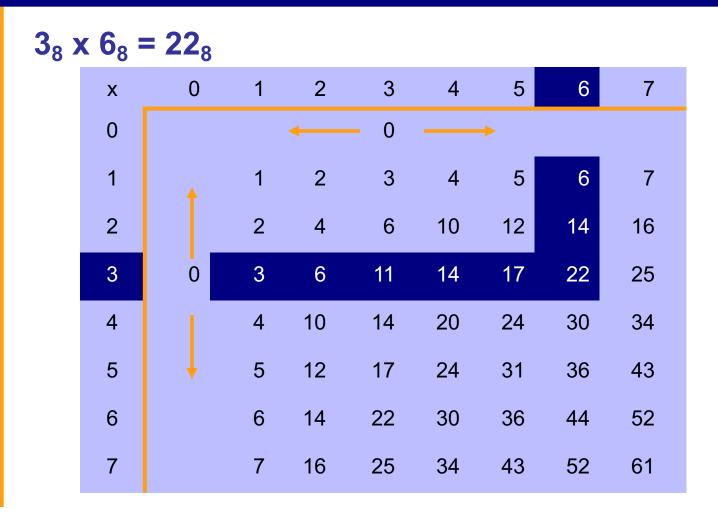


Base 10 Multiplication Table





Base 8 Multiplication Table





Addition

Base	Problem	Largest Single Digit
Decimal	6 <u>+3</u>	9
Octal	6 <u>+1</u>	7
Hexadecimal	6 <u>+9</u>	F
Binary	1 <u>+0</u>	1

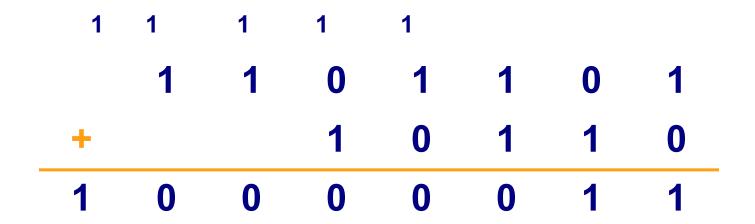


Addition

Base	Problem	Carry	Answer
Decimal	6 <u>+4</u>	Carry the 10	10
Octal	6 <u>+2</u>	Carry the 8	10
Hexadecimal	6 <u>+A</u>	Carry the 16	10
Binary	1 <u>+1</u>	Carry the 2	10



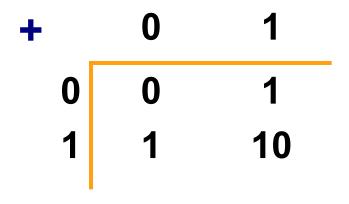
Binary Arithmetic

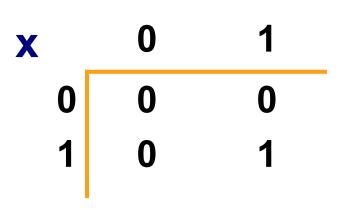




Binary Arithmetic

- Addition
 - Boolean using XOR and AND
- Multiplication
 - AND
 - Shift left
- Division
 - Subtraction or complement
 - Shift right

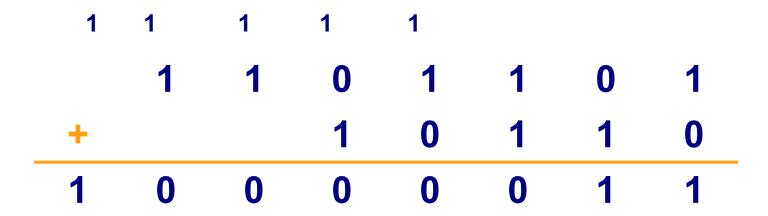






Binary Arithmetic: Boolean Logic

- Boolean logic without performing arithmetic
 - EXCLUSIVE-OR
 - Output is "1" only if either input, but not both inputs, is a "1"
 - AND (carry bit)
 - Output is "1" if and only both inputs are a "1"



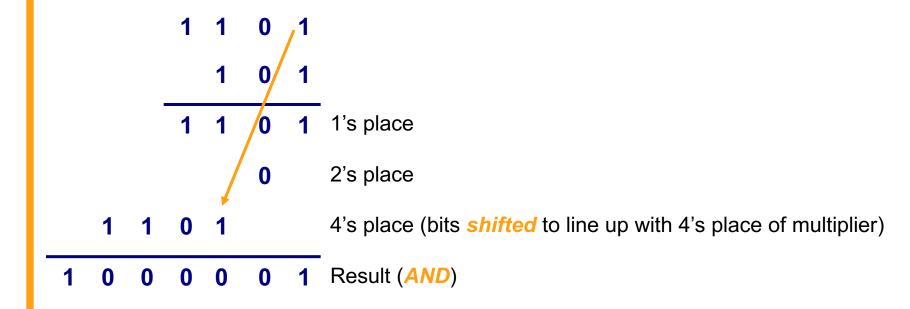


Binary Multiplication

- Boolean logic without performing arithmetic
 - AND (carry bit)
 - Output is "1" if and only both inputs are a "1"
 - Shift
 - Shifting a number in any base *left* one digit multiplies its value by the base
 - Shifting a number in any base *right* one digit *divides* its value by the base
 - Examples:
 - □ 10_{10} shift *left* = 100_{10} □ 10_{10} shift *right* = 1_{10}
 - 10_2 shift **left** = 100_2 10_2 shift **right** = 1_2



Binary Multiplication





Converting from Base 10

Powers Table

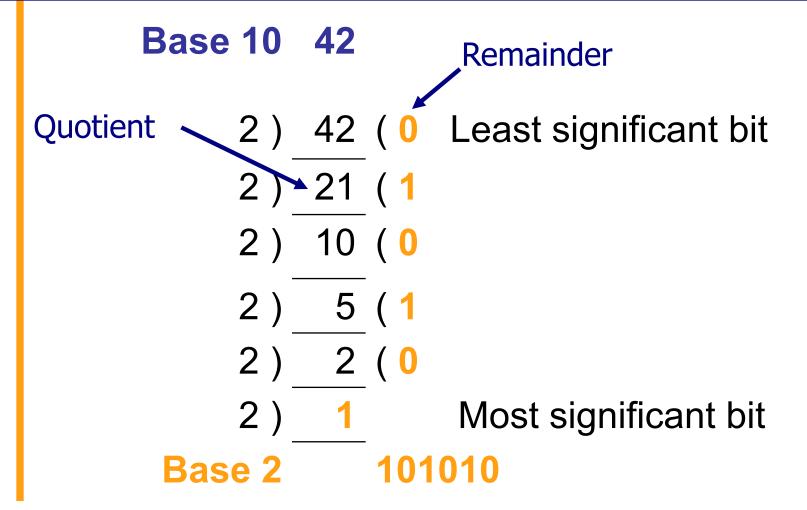
Power Base	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
2	256	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
8				32,768	4,096	512	64	8	1
16					65,536	4,096	256	16	1



$$42_{10} = 101010_2$$

Power Base	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
2	64	32	16	8	4	2	1
		1	0	1	0	1	0
Integer		42/32 = 1	10/16 = 0	10/8 = 1	2/4 = 0	2/2 = 1	0/1 = 0
Remainder		10	10	2	2	0	0



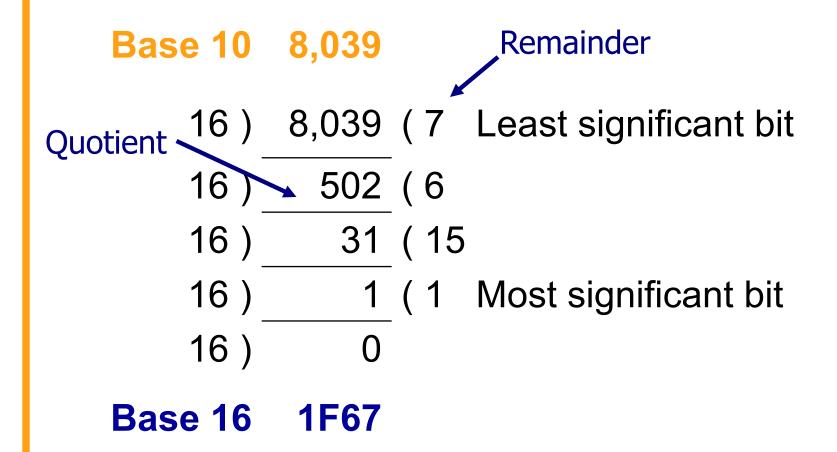




$$5,735_{10} = 1667_{16}$$

Power Base	4	3	2	1	0
16	65,536	4,096	256	16	1
		1	6	6	7
Integer		5,735 / 4,096 = 1	1,639 / 256 = 6	103 /16 = 6	7
Remainder		5,735 - 4,096 = 1,639	1,639 - 1,536 = 103	103 - 96 = 7	







$$7263_8 = 3,763_{10}$$

Power	8 ³	8 ²	8 ¹	80
	512	64	8	1
	x 7	x 2	x 6	x 3
Sum for Base 10	3,584	128	48	3



$$7263_{8} = 3,763_{10}$$

$$7$$

$$x 8 \over 56 + 2 = 58$$

$$x 8 \over 464 + 6 = 470$$

$$x 8 \over 3760 + 3 = 3,763$$



- Why hexadecimal?
 - Hex easier to read and write than binary
 - Modern computer operating systems and networks present variety of troubleshooting data in hex format
- The nibble approach

Base 16	1	F	6	7
Base 2	0001	1111	0110	0111



Fractions

- Number point or radix point
 - Decimal point in base 10
 - Binary point in base 2
- No exact relationship between fractional numbers in different number bases
 - Exact conversion may be impossible, such as in the case of 1/3 or 0.3333333...



Decimal Fractions

- Move the number point one place to the right
 - Effect: multiplies the number by the base number
 - Example: 139.0_{10} = 1390₁₀
- Move the number point one place to the left
 - Effect: divides the number by the base number
 - Example: 139.0₁₀
 13.9₁₀



Fractions: Base 10 and Base 2

$$.2589_{10} = 2 \times 10^{-1} + 5 \times 10^{-2} + 8 \times 10^{-3} + 9 \times 10^{-4}$$

Place	10 ⁻¹	10 ⁻²	10 ⁻³	10 ⁻⁴
Value	1/10	1/100	1/1000	1/10000
Evaluate	2 x 1/10	5 x 1/100	8 x 1/1000	9 x1/1000
Sum	.2	.05	.008	.0009

$$.101011_2 = 0.671875_{10}$$

Place	2-1	2 -2	2 -3	2-4	2 -5	2 -6
Value	1/2	1/4	1/8	1/16	1/32	1/64
Evaluate	1 x 1/2	0 x 1/4	1x 1/8	0 x 1/16	1 x 1/32	1 x 1/64
Sum	.5		0.125		0.03125	0.015625



Fractions: Base 10 and Base 2

- No general relationship between fractions of types 1/10^k and 1/2^k
 - Therefore a number representable in base 10 may not be representable in base 2
 - But the converse is true: all fractions of the form 1/2^k can be represented in base 10
- Fractional conversions from one base to another are stopped
 - If there is a rational solution or
 - When the desired accuracy is attained



Mixed Number Conversion

- Integer and fractional parts must be converted separately
- Radix point: fixed reference for the conversion
 - Digit to the left is a unit digit in every base
 - B⁰ is always equal to 1 regardless of the base



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