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Chapter 2

Number Systems and Data Representation

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Chapter 2-1

# Number systems

## Outline

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- Count in binary, octal and hexadecimal number systems.
- Understand the weighting structure of numbers.
- Perform base conversion of various number systems.
- Carry out arithmetic operations with binary numbers.

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# Number System

- ❑ Digital systems process data in binary format.
  - ❑ Need to represent information in binary
  - ❑ For manipulation in electronic hardware
- ❑ A number system consists of an ordered set of symbols called digits.
  - ❑ Total number of digits = base (radix, R) of a number system
  - ❑ The range of numbers is 0 to (R - 1).
  - ❑ The number can have 2 parts:
    - Integer
    - Fractional
    - Separated by a **radix point** (.)
    - E.g.  $(a_{n-1} a_{n-2} \dots a_1 a_0 . a_{-1} a_{-2} \dots a_{-m})_R$
- Commonly used number systems in digital electronics field of study
  - Decimal number system:
    - Digits {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9}
    - R = 10.
  - Binary number system:
    - Digits {0, 1}
    - R = 2.
  - Hexadecimal number system:
    - Digits {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, A, B, C, D, E, F}
    - R = 16.
  - Octal number system:
    - Digits {0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7}
    - R = 8.

| Decimal | Binary | Octal | Hexadecimal |
|---------|--------|-------|-------------|
| 0       | 0      | 0     | 0           |
| 1       | 1      | 1     | 1           |
| 2       | 10     | 2     | 2           |
| 3       | 11     | 3     | 3           |
| 4       | 100    | 4     | 4           |
| 5       | 101    | 5     | 5           |
| 6       | 110    | 6     | 6           |
| 7       | 111    | 7     | 7           |
| 8       | 1000   | 10    | 8           |
| 9       | 1001   | 11    | 9           |
| 10      | 1010   | 12    | a           |
| 11      | 1011   | 13    | b           |
| 12      | 1100   | 14    | c           |
| 13      | 1101   | 15    | d           |
| 14      | 1110   | 16    | e           |
| 15      | 1111   | 17    | f           |
| 16      | 10000  | 20    | 10          |

## Counting in Binary

- How to count in binary?

|      |   |
|------|---|
| 0    | First column is full                          |
| 1    | Reset first column and add 1 to second column |
| 10   | First two columns are full                    |
| 11   | Reset and add 1 to third column               |
| 100  |   |
| 101  |   |
| 110  |   |
| 111  | First three columns are full                  |
| 1000 | Reset and add 1 to fourth column              |
| 1001 |   |

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- With N bits, can count up to  $(2^N - 1)$  for a total of  $2^N$  different numbers

# Weighting Structure of Numbers

- A positive number, N written in **positional notation**

$$N = (a_{n-1} a_{n-2} \dots a_1 a_0 . a_{-1} a_{-2} \dots a_{-m})_R$$

$$= a_{n-1} R^{n-1} + a_{n-2} R^{n-2} + \dots + a_1 R^1 + a_0 R^0 + a_{-1} R^{-1} + a_{-2} R^{-2} + \dots + a_{-m} R^{-m}$$

Where

. = radix point. E.g binary point, hex point, decimal point.

R = radix or base - any positive integer where  $R > 1$

n = number of integer digits (left of radix pt)

m = number of fractional digits (right of radix pt)

$a_{n-1}$  = most significant digit (MSD)

$a_{-m}$  = least significant digit (LSD)

- Each digit's position is multiplied by a weighting factor (an integral power of R depending on the position)

- Example,  $N = 251.41_{10}$ .

$$= (2 \times 10^2) + (5 \times 10^1) + (1 \times 10^0) + (4 \times 10^{-1}) + (1 \times 10^{-2})$$

| $10^{n-1}$ | ..... | $10^2$ | $10^1$ | $10^0$ | . | $10^{-1}$ | $10^{-2}$ | ..... | $10^{-n}$ |
|------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---|-----------|-----------|-------|-----------|
|            |       | 2      | 5      | 1      | . | 4         | 1         |       |           |

# Weighting Structure of Numbers

- Example, binary weight structure

$$2^{n-1} \dots 2^2 2^1 2^0 . 2^{-1} 2^{-2} \dots 2^{-n}$$

| Positive Powers of 2<br>(Integer Number) |       |       |       |       |       |       |       | Negative Powers of 2<br>(Fractional number) |          |          |          |          |          |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| $2^7$                                    | $2^6$ | $2^5$ | $2^4$ | $2^3$ | $2^2$ | $2^1$ | $2^0$ | $2^{-1}$                                    | $2^{-2}$ | $2^{-3}$ | $2^{-4}$ | $2^{-5}$ | $2^{-6}$ |
| 128                                      | 64    | 32    | 16    | 8     | 4     | 2     | 1     | 1/2   | 1/4      | 1/8      | 1/16     | 1/32     | 1/64     |

- Right-most bit is the **LSB** (Least Significant Bit).
- Left-most bit is the **MSB** (Most Significant Bit).

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## Base Conversion: Convert Base N to Decimal (Base 10)

- Example 1

Convert  $1010.101_2$  to  $?_{10}$ .

Solution 1

$$\begin{aligned} 1010.101_2 &= (1 \times 2^3) + (0 \times 2^2) + (1 \times 2^1) + (0 \times 2^0) + (1 \times 2^{-1}) + (0 \times 2^{-2}) + (1 \times 2^{-3}) \\ &= 8_{10} + 0 + 2_{10} + 0 + 0.5_{10} + 0 + 0.125_{10} \\ &= 10.625_{10} \end{aligned}$$

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- Example 2

Convert  $627_8$  to  $?_{10}$ .

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Solution 2

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$$\begin{aligned} 627_8 &= (6 \times 8^2) + (2 \times 8^1) + (7 \times 8^0) \\ &= 384_{10} + 16_{10} + 7_{10} \\ &= 407_{10} \end{aligned}$$

## Base Conversion: Convert Integer Decimal (Base 10) to Base N

- Example 1: Method 1

Convert  $49_{10}$  to a binary number.

Solution 1

$$49 - 32 = 17$$

$$17 - 16 = 1$$

$$1 - 1 = 0 \text{ (conversion completed)}$$

| 64 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|
|    | 1  | 1  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

Therefore,  $49_{10} = 110001_2$

- Example 2: Method 2 - Divide-by-radix

Convert  $49_{10}$  to a binary number.

Solution 2

$$49 / 2 = 24 \quad \text{remainder 1 (LSB)}$$

$$24 / 2 = 12 \quad \text{remainder 0}$$

$$12 / 2 = 6 \quad \text{remainder 0}$$

$$6 / 2 = 3 \quad \text{remainder 0}$$

$$3 / 2 = 1 \quad \text{remainder 1}$$

$$1 / 2 = 0 \quad \text{remainder 1 (MSB)}$$

Therefore,  $49_{10} = 110001_2$

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## Base Conversion: Convert Base N to Base M

- Requires an intermediate conversion step
  - First convert base N to base 10
  - Then base 10 to base M.

- Example 1:

Convert  $18_9$  to  $?_{11}$ .

Solution 1

Convert  $18_9$  to base 10:

$$\begin{aligned}18_9 &= (1 \times 9^1) + (8 \times 9^0) \\&= 9 + 8 \\&= 17_{10}\end{aligned}$$

Convert from base 10 to base 11 using the divide-by-radix method:

$$17 / 11 = 1 \quad \text{remainder } 6$$

$$1 / 11 = 0 \quad \text{remainder } 1$$

Therefore,  $18_9 = 16_{11}$

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## Base Conversion: Convert Base N to Base M When $M = NK$

- Example 1:

Convert  $1011011_2$  to base 8.

2, 4, 8, 16

### Solution 1

Since  $8 = 2^3$ , we can group three binary digits for each octal digit.

Therefore,  $1_011_011_2 = 133_8$

- Example 2

Convert  $AF_{16}$  to base 8.

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### Solution 2

Since 16 is not a power of base 8. But both bases are a power of 2.

Therefore, we can convert  $AF_{16}$  to base 2 and then convert to base 8.

$$16 = 2^4$$

Firstly, each hex digit is replaced by 4 bin digits.

$$AF_{16} = 1010\_1111_2$$

Then convert the bin number to base 8.

$$10\_101\_111_2 = 257_8$$

Therefore,  $AF_{16} = 257_8$ .

6 10 10 5 1 1 1 1 2  
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## Binary Arithmetic

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- 4 basic types of binary arithmetic:
  - Binary addition
  - Binary subtraction
  - Binary multiplication
  - Binary division

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# Binary Addition

- Example 1

Add 11110 and 1100.

Solution 1

|    |    |    |    |    |    |  |         |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|--|---------|
|    | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1  | 0  |  | Augend  |
|    |    |    |    |    |    |  | Carries |
| 1← | 1← | 1← | 0← | 0← | 0← |  | Addend  |
| +  | 0  | 1  | 1  | 0  | 0  |  | Sum     |
|    | 0  | 1  | 0  | 1  | 0  |  |         |

- How does the above information relate to circuit?

- Understand the process of binary addition leads to constructing an adder circuit for each bit
- Then combine the adders to compute two n-bit numbers
- Need to capture the info into an intermediate form first e.g. truth table before proceed to adder circuit design.

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- When two n-bit numbers are added, the result is a (n+1)-bit number

| Inputs   |   |   | Outputs   |     |
|----------|---|---|-----------|-----|
| Carry-in | A | B | Carry-out | Sum |
| 0        | 0 | 0 | 0         | 0   |
| 0        | 0 | 1 | 0         | 1   |
| 0        | 1 | 0 | 0         | 1   |
| 0        | 1 | 1 | 1         | 0   |
| 1        | 0 | 0 | 0         | 1   |
| 1        | 0 | 1 | 1         | 0   |
| 1        | 1 | 0 | 1         | 0   |
| 1        | 1 | 1 | 1         | 1   |

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Chapter 2-2

Computer codes

## Outline

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- Understand the concept of computer codes.
- Recognise the commonly used digital codes such as ASCII, Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) and Gray code.
- Express decimal numbers in BCD form.
- Convert between the binary system and the Gray code.

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## Computer Codes

- ❑ A code is the use of a number system for representing information
- ❑ Binary system is widely used as codes to represent numbers, text, pictures, etc.
  - ❑ Since computers process all info in binary – the most efficient electronic form.
- ❑ Several types of well-known codes.
  - ❑ Codes to represent numeric.
  - ❑ Codes to represent character.
  - ❑ Codes for detecting and correcting errors.
  - ❑ Codes for serial data transmission and storage.

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# Binary Coded Decimal (BCD)

- ❑ BCD code is used to represent the decimal digits 0 - 9.
  - ❑ Always 4 bits.
  - ❑ BCD is a type of *weighted code*
    - Each bit position is **weighted** with 8, 4, 2, 1 from MSB to LSB
    - Hence, also called 8-4-2-1 code

- ❑ Note that 1010, 1011, 1100, 1101, 1110 and 1111 are not used.
  - ❑ They are invalid in 8421 BCD code.

- ❑ Example of applications:

- ❑ Used to encode numbers for output to numerical displays
- ❑ Used in processors that performs decimal arithmetic.

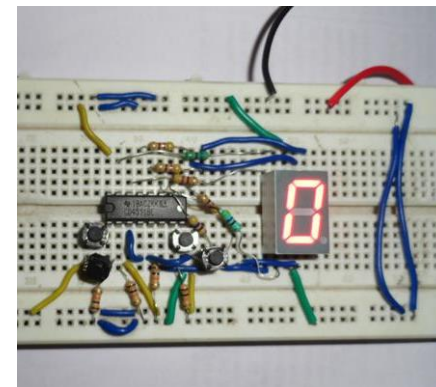
- ❑ BCD system is not binary system. They are not the same.

| Decimal Digit | BCD code<br>(8-4-2-1 Code) |
|---------------|----------------------------|
| 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                    |

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< BCD to 7 segment display

## Binary Coded Decimal (BCD)

### □ Example 1:

Encode the decimal number  $N = 9750_{10}$  in BCD.

Solution 1

9 -> 1001

7 -> 0111

5 -> 0101

0 -> 0000

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Then the individual codes are concatenated to give

$9750_{10} = 1001011101010000_{\text{BCD}}$

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In binary system,  $9750_{10} \Rightarrow 10011000010110_2$

# Gray Code

- Gray code is unweighted
  - Cannot be used for arithmetic operations
  - Commonly used in data transfer applications
  - Gray code can be any length

Example, a 4-bit Gray code

| Gray code<br>G[3:0] | Binary<br>B[3:0] | Decimal<br>Value |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 0000                | 0000             | 0                |
| 0001                | 0001             | 1                |
| 0011                | 0010             | 2                |
| 0010                | 0011             | 3                |
| 0110                | 0100             | 4                |
| 0111                | 0101             | 5                |
| 0101                | 0110             | 6                |
| 0100                | 0111             | 7                |
| 1100                | 1000             | 8                |
| 1101                | 1001             | 9                |
| 1111                | 1010             | 10               |
| 1110                | 1011             | 11               |
| 1010                | 1100             | 12               |
| 1011                | 1101             | 13               |
| 1001                | 1110             | 14               |
| 1000                | 1111             | 15               |

- Gray code important feature:
  - Its natural sequence exhibits a single bit change between successive code words.
- Useful for reducing error rate in data transfer applications
  - Lesser bit change while data is being transferring – chances of wrong bit transfer to the other side is lesser.

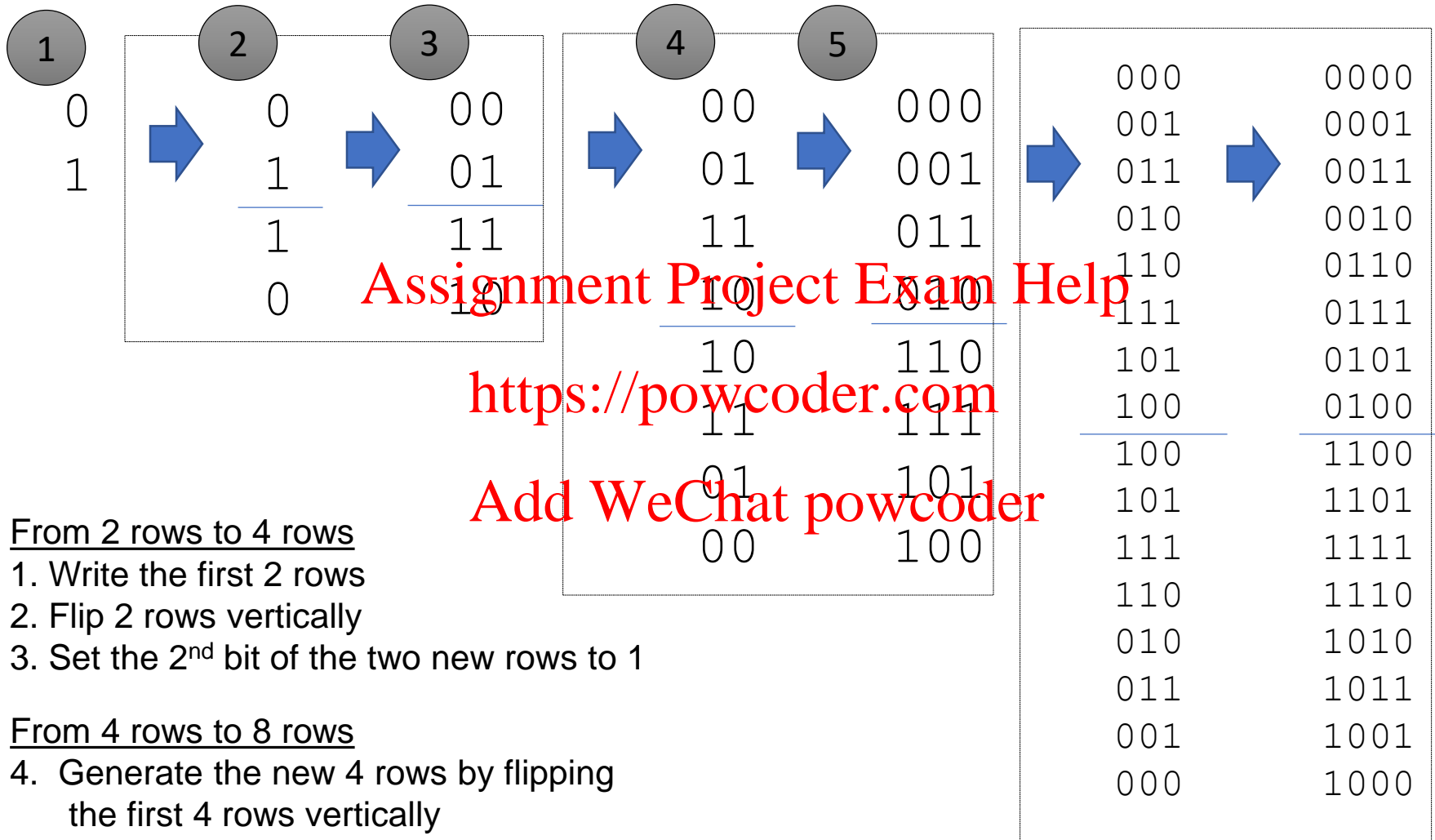
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## How to Generate Gray Code

*How to ensure only one bit changes between two adjacent numbers?*



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### From 2 rows to 4 rows

1. Write the first 2 rows
2. Flip 2 rows vertically
3. Set the 2<sup>nd</sup> bit of the two new rows to 1

### From 4 rows to 8 rows

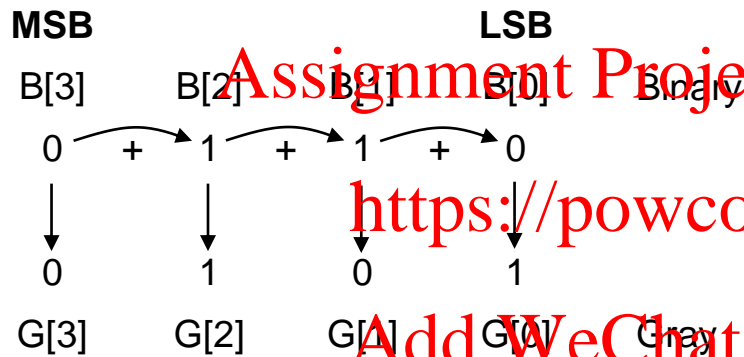
4. Generate the new 4 rows by flipping the first 4 rows vertically
5. Set the 3<sup>rd</sup> bit of the new four rows to 1

Repeat the same procedure for the remaining rows

## Gray Converters: Binary-to-Gray Converter

- In terms of algorithm:

- The MSB in the Gray code is the same as the MSB in the binary code.
- From left to right, add each adjacent pair of binary code bits to get the next Gray code bit. Discard carries.
- E.g.



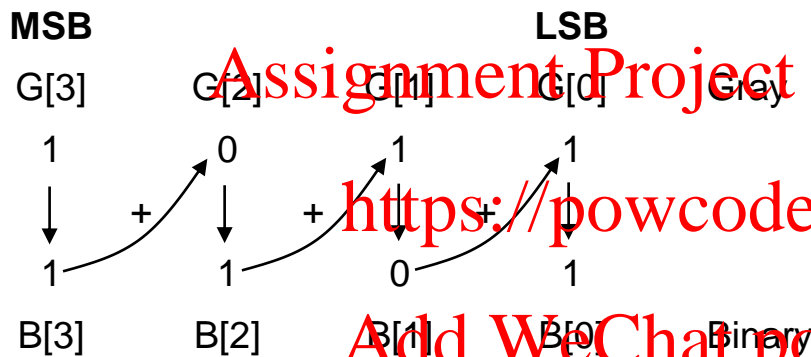
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## Gray Converters: Gray-to-Binary Converter

- In terms of algorithm:
  - The MSB in the binary code is the same as the MSB in the Gray code.
  - Add each binary code bit generated to the Gray code bit in the next adjacent position. Discard carries.
  - E.g.



# ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange)

- ASCII is a set of binary codes
- Used to represent the alphanumeric symbols.
- Widely used in data communication.
- An extra bit (parity bit) is attached to an ASCII code during transmission for error detection purpose

| Dec | Hx | Oct | Char                        | Dec | Hx | Oct | Html  | Chr   | Dec | Hx | Oct | Html  | Chr | Dec | Hx | Oct | Html   | Chr               |
|-----|----|-----|-----------------------------|-----|----|-----|-------|-------|-----|----|-----|-------|-----|-----|----|-----|--------|-------------------|
| 0   | 0  | 000 | NUL (null)                  | 32  | 20 | 040 | &#32; | Space | 64  | 40 | 100 | &#64; | @   | 96  | 60 | 140 | &#96;  | `                 |
| 1   | 1  | 001 | SOH (start of heading)      | 33  | 21 | 041 | &#33; | !     | 65  | 41 | 101 | &#65; | A   | 97  | 61 | 141 | &#97;  | a                 |
| 2   | 2  | 002 | STX (start of text)         | 34  | 22 | 042 | &#34; | "     | 66  | 42 | 102 | &#66; | B   | 98  | 62 | 142 | &#98;  | b                 |
| 3   | 3  | 003 | ETX (end of text)           | 35  | 23 | 043 | &#35; | #     | 67  | 43 | 103 | &#67; | C   | 99  | 63 | 143 | &#99;  | c                 |
| 4   | 4  | 004 | EOT (end of transmission)   | 36  | 24 | 044 | &#36; | \$    | 68  | 44 | 104 | &#68; | D   | 100 | 64 | 144 | &#100; | d                 |
| 5   | 5  | 005 | ENQ (enquiry)               | 37  | 25 | 045 | &#37; | %     | 69  | 45 | 105 | &#69; | E   | 101 | 65 | 145 | &#101; | e                 |
| 6   | 6  | 006 | ACK (acknowledge)           | 38  | 26 | 046 | &#38; | &     | 70  | 46 | 106 | &#70; | F   | 102 | 66 | 146 | &#102; | f                 |
| 7   | 7  | 007 | BEL (bell)                  | 39  | 27 | 047 | &#39; | '     | 71  | 47 | 107 | &#71; | G   | 103 | 67 | 147 | &#103; | g                 |
| 8   | 8  | 010 | BS (backspace)              | 40  | 28 | 050 | &#40; | (     | 72  | 48 | 110 | &#72; | H   | 104 | 68 | 150 | &#104; | h                 |
| 9   | 9  | 011 | TAB (horizontal tab)        | 41  | 29 | 051 | &#41; | )     | 73  | 49 | 111 | &#73; | I   | 105 | 69 | 151 | &#105; | i                 |
| 10  | A  | 012 | LF (NL line feed, new line) | 42  | 2A | 052 | &#42; | *     | 74  | 4A | 112 | &#74; | J   | 106 | 6A | 152 | &#106; | j                 |
| 11  | B  | 013 | VT (vertical tab)           | 43  | 2B | 053 | &#43; | +     | 75  | 4B | 113 | &#75; | K   | 107 | 6B | 153 | &#107; | k                 |
| 12  | C  | 014 | FF (NP form feed, new page) | 44  | 2C | 054 | &#44; | ,     | 76  | 4C | 114 | &#76; | L   | 108 | 6C | 154 | &#108; | l                 |
| 13  | D  | 015 | CR (carriage return)        | 45  | 2D | 055 | &#45; | -     | 77  | 4D | 115 | &#77; | M   | 109 | 6D | 155 | &#109; | m                 |
| 14  | E  | 016 | SO (shift out)              | 46  | 2E | 056 | &#46; | .     | 78  | 4E | 116 | &#78; | N   | 110 | 6E | 156 | &#110; | n                 |
| 15  | F  | 017 | SI (shift in)               | 47  | 2F | 057 | &#47; | /     | 79  | 4F | 117 | &#79; | O   | 111 | 6F | 157 | &#111; | o                 |
| 16  | 10 | 020 | DLE (data link escape)      | 48  | 30 | 060 | &#48; | 0     | 80  | 50 | 120 | &#80; | P   | 112 | 70 | 160 | &#112; | p                 |
| 17  | 11 | 021 | DC1 (device control 1)      | 49  | 31 | 061 | &#49; | 1     | 81  | 51 | 121 | &#81; | Q   | 113 | 71 | 161 | &#113; | q                 |
| 18  | 12 | 022 | DC2 (device control 2)      | 50  | 32 | 062 | &#50; | 2     | 82  | 52 | 122 | &#82; | R   | 114 | 72 | 162 | &#114; | r                 |
| 19  | 13 | 023 | DC3 (device control 3)      | 51  | 33 | 063 | &#51; | 3     | 83  | 53 | 123 | &#83; | S   | 115 | 73 | 163 | &#115; | s                 |
| 20  | 14 | 024 | DC4 (device control 4)      | 52  | 34 | 064 | &#52; | 4     | 84  | 54 | 124 | &#84; | T   | 116 | 74 | 164 | &#116; | t                 |
| 21  | 15 | 025 | NAK (negative acknowledge)  | 53  | 35 | 065 | &#53; | 5     | 85  | 55 | 125 | &#85; | U   | 117 | 75 | 165 | &#117; | u                 |
| 22  | 16 | 026 | SYN (synchronous idle)      | 54  | 36 | 066 | &#54; | 6     | 86  | 56 | 126 | &#86; | V   | 118 | 76 | 166 | &#118; | v                 |
| 23  | 17 | 027 | ETB (end of trans. block)   | 55  | 37 | 067 | &#55; | 7     | 87  | 57 | 127 | &#87; | W   | 119 | 77 | 167 | &#119; | w                 |
| 24  | 18 | 030 | CAN (cancel)                | 56  | 38 | 070 | &#56; | 8     | 88  | 58 | 130 | &#88; | X   | 120 | 78 | 170 | &#120; | x                 |
| 25  | 19 | 031 | EM (end of medium)          | 57  | 39 | 071 | &#57; | 9     | 89  | 59 | 131 | &#89; | Y   | 121 | 79 | 171 | &#121; | y                 |
| 26  | 1A | 032 | SUB (substitute)            | 58  | 3A | 072 | &#58; | :     | 90  | 5A | 132 | &#90; | Z   | 122 | 7A | 172 | &#122; | z                 |
| 27  | 1B | 033 | ESC (escape)                | 59  | 3B | 073 | &#59; | :     | 91  | 5B | 133 | &#91; | [   | 123 | 7B | 173 | &#123; | :                 |
| 28  | 1C | 034 | FS (file separator)         | 60  | 3C | 074 | &#60; | :     | 92  | 5C | 134 | &#92; | \   | 124 | 7C | 174 | &#124; | !                 |
| 29  | 1D | 035 | GS (group separator)        | 61  | 3D | 075 | &#61; | :     | 93  | 5D | 135 | &#93; | }   | 125 | 7D | 175 | &#125; | !                 |
| 30  | 1E | 036 | RS (record separator)       | 62  | 3E | 076 | &#62; | :     | 94  | 5E | 136 | &#94; | ^   | 126 | 7E | 176 | &#126; | !                 |
| 31  | 1F | 037 | US (unit separator)         | 63  | 3F | 077 | &#63; | :     | 95  | 5F | 137 | &#95; | _   | 127 | 7F | 177 | &#127; | DEL <sup>26</sup> |

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# ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange)

- Example 1:

ASCII code representation of the word "Digital" is shown

| Character | Binary Code | Hexadecimal Code |
|-----------|-------------|------------------|
| D         | 1000100     | 44               |
| i         | 1101001     | 69               |
| g         | 1100111     | 67               |
| i         | 1101001     | 69               |
| t         | 1110100     | 74               |
| a         | 1100001     | 61               |
| l         | 1101100     | 6C               |

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Chapter 2-3

Signed and unsigned numbers

## Outline

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- Represent signed binary numbers in sign-magnitude and 2's complement format.

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# Unsigned versus Signed Number Representation

- ❑ So far, we have considered only *unsigned* binary numbers that represent positive range of numbers.
- ❑ Sometimes programmers want to deal with both negative and positive range of numbers, which requiring a different binary number system.
- ❑ Signed binary numbers can be represented using:
  - ❑ Sign-magnitude number system.
  - ❑ Two's complement number system.
- ❑ You will probably deal with the terms:
  - *zero extension* (for unsigned numbers)
  - *sign extension* (for signed numbers)

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# Sign-Magnitude Binary Number System

- A number, N is written as:

$$N = (s a_{n-1} a_{n-2} \dots a_1 a_0 . a_{-1} a_{-2} \dots a_{-m})_{\text{rsm}}$$

where  $s \Rightarrow$  sign-bit;

$a \Rightarrow$  magnitude

- $s = 0$ : N is positive.
- $s = 1$ : N is negative.

- N-bit number correspond to decimal range.  
 $-(2^{n-1} - 1)$  to  $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$ .

- Example

Determine the binary sign-magnitude code for  
N = -13, expressed as a 5-bit binary number.

Solution:

$$N = -13$$

$$= -1101_2$$

$$= \textcircled{1}1101_{2\text{sm}}$$

To represent  
negative sign

Sign-magnitude code  
to represent -13

| Decimal Number System | Sign-Magnitude Number System (4-bit system) |
|-----------------------|---|
| +7                    | 0111  |
| +6                    | 0110  |
| +5                    | 0101  |
| +4                    | 0100  |
| +3                    | 0011  |
| +2                    | 0010  |
| +1                    | 0001  |
| +0                    | 0000  |
| -0                    | 1000  |
| -1                    | 1001  |
| -2                    | 1010  |
| -3                    | 1011  |
| -4                    | 1100  |
| -5                    | 1101  |
| -6                    | 1110  |
| -7                    | 1111  |
| -8                    | -   |

2 possible representations of zero  
- can complicate testing for zero - problems for programmers.

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# Sign-Magnitude Binary Number System

- ❑ The implementation of the method is costly in terms of:
  - ❑ Circuitry (large arithmetic circuit)
  - ❑ Computation time (takes more time to produce the result).
- ❑ It is slightly odd to have both +0 and -0 exist.
- ❑ Ordinary binary addition does not work. For example,  $-5_{10} + 5_{10}$  gives  $1101_2 + 0101_2 = 10010_2$ , which is nonsense.
- ❑ Not popular in practice for representing signed numbers.

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# 2's Complement Number System (2cns)

## 2cns consists of:

- Positive range
  - $0 \leq N \leq (2^{n-1} - 1)$
  - Same as sign-magnitude number system
- Negative range
  - $-1 \geq N \geq (-2^{n-1})$
  - using complement of the negative numbers

E.g. an 8-bit digital system can only operate on values between -128 to 127.

## Why use 2cns?

- Like binary system, natural numbering system for digital circuits.
- The codes are arranged in such a way that is easy to build hardware to perform signed arithmetic operations (through complement arithmetic method).

| Decimal Number System | Sign-Magnitude Number System | 2's Complement Number System |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| +7                    | 0111                         | 0111                         |
| +6                    | 0110                         | 0110                         |
| +5                    | 0101                         | 0101                         |
| +4                    | 0100                         | 0100                         |
| +3                    | 0011                         | 0011                         |
| +2                    | 0010                         | 0010                         |
| +1                    | 0001                         | 0001                         |
| +0                    | 0000                         | 0000                         |
| -0                    | 1000                         | -                            |
| -1                    | 1001                         | 1111                         |
| -2                    | 1010                         | 1110                         |
| -3                    | 1011                         | 1101                         |
| -4                    | 1100                         | 1100                         |
| -5                    | 1101                         | 1011                         |
| -6                    | 1110                         | 1010                         |
| -7                    | 1111                         | 1001                         |
| -8                    | -                            | 1000                         |

The MSB is sign bit.  
 0 => pos numbers.  
 1 => neg numbers.  
 For negative numbers, the rest of the bits DO NOT represent magnitude

E.g. does not represent -6

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# Method to Obtain 2's Complement Representation

## □ Algorithm to obtain the 2's complement of N:

1. Find the binary equivalent of N.
2. Complement each bit (that is, invert 0's to 1's and 1's to 0's).
3. Add 1.

## □ Example 1

Find the 2's complement of  $-2_{10}$  as a 4-bit two's complement number.

Solution

1.  $+2_{10}$  is  $0010_2$ .
2. Inverting  $0010_2$  produces  $1101_2$ .
3.  $1101_2 + 1 = 1110_{2c}$ .

So  $-2_{10}$  is  $1110_{2c}$ .

## □ Example 2

Find the 2's complement of  $N = -110_2$  if a 5-bit number is used.

Solution

$$\begin{array}{r} N_2 \quad 00110_2 \\ \hline 11001 \quad \leftarrow \text{Invert (1's complement)} \\ + 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{Add 1} \\ \hline [N]_2 \quad 11010_{2c} \quad \text{(2's complement)} \end{array}$$



# 2's Complement Representation

## □ Example 3

Given an 8-bit digital system, find the decimal number value of  $N = 1111\ 1010_{2c}$ . Also find the equivalent sign-magnitude representation.

## □ Solution

First, check if the number is negative or positive by looking at the sign bit. If it is positive, simply convert it to decimal. If it is negative, invert the bits and add a 1.

From the MSB (sign bit),  $N$  is a negative number.

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$$\begin{array}{r} [1111\_1010]_{2c} = 0000\_0101_2 + 1 \\ = 0000\_0110_2 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{r} 1\ 1\ 1\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 1\ 0_{2c} \\ \hline 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{Invert} \\ \phantom{0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 1} + 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{Add 1} \\ \hline 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 0_2 \end{array}$$

$1111\_1010_{2c}$  represents  $-0000\_0110_2$  or  $-6$ .

The equivalent sign-mag representation of  $-6 = 1000\_0110_{2sm}$ .

## Example

### • Example 4

Convert the following numbers to the required number system. Show your steps to obtain the answers.

- (i) Convert  $DA_{16}$  to binary, then to decimal
- (ii) Find the 2's complement for  $-0101\ 1101_2$  (answer in 8-bit).
- (iii) Find the BCD equivalence for  $85_{10}$
- (iv) Convert  $0110\ 1100_{\text{Gray}}$  to binary (answer in 8-bit).
- (v) Convert  $1110\ 0100_2$  to Gray code (answer in 8-bit).

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Solution

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$$\begin{aligned}\text{(i)} \quad DA_{16} &= 1101\ 1010_2 \\ &= (2^7 + 2^6 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^1)_{10} \\ &= 218_{10}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(iv)} \quad 0110\ 1100_{\text{Gray}} = 0100\ 1000_2$$

$$\text{(v)} \quad 1110\ 0100_2 = 1001\ 0110_{\text{Gray}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{(ii)} \quad 0101\ 1101_2 \\ \text{1's complement} &= 1010\ 0010 \\ \text{2's complement} &= 1010\ 0011\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(iii)} \quad 85_{10} = 1000\ 0101_{\text{BCD}}$$

# Floating point number systems\*

- Floating-point number system allows the representation of very large and very small numbers with a *sign*, *mantissa (M)*, *base (B)*, and *exponent (E)*.

$$\pm M \times B^E$$

□ Example:  $4000 = 4 \times 10^3$

- A single precision floating point value is represented by 32 bits: 1 sign bit, 8 exponent bits, and 23 mantissa bits.

- Example: **Assignment Project Exam Help**

Floating-point representation of decimal number 228.

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- Solution:

- Convert decimal to binary.

$$228_{10} = 11100100_2 = 1.11001_2 \times 2^7$$

Answer:

|       |          |                              |
|-------|----------|------------------------------|
| 1 bit | 8 bits   | 23 bits                      |
| 0     | 00000111 | 111 0010 0000 0000 0000 0000 |
| Sign  | Exponent | Mantissa                     |

In reality, floating point representation follows the following form:

## IEEE 754 floating-point standard

$$(-1)^S \times (1 + \text{Fraction}) \times 2^{(\text{Exponent} - \text{Bias})}$$

where Single Precision Bias = 127,  
Double Precision Bias = 1023.