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Session 1 – Number Systems I: Radix

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Session Outline

The topics to be treated in this lecture are:

- Radix
- Signals
- Forms of Number System
 - Decimal
 - Binary
 - Octal
 - Hexadecimal
 - BCD
- Number Conversions
- Application of Number Systems

Topic One

NUMBER SYSTEMS I: RADIX

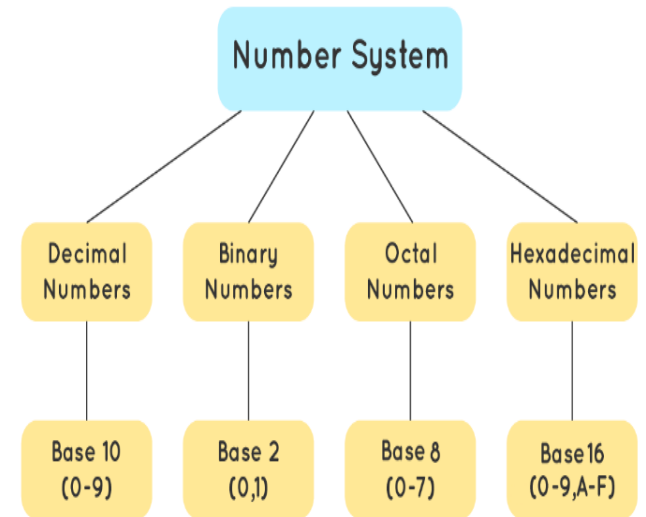
Introduction

- Decimal or base (radix) ten is used by humans
- Binary or radix two is used by computers
 - Since it only comprehends two states
 - High voltage (+5V) denoted by 1
 - Low voltage (0V) denoted by 0
- Hence, there is the need to convert a number from decimal to binary and vice versa.



Radix in Number Systems

- Number System:
 - naming, representing or expressing numbers in a particular format using digits or symbols.
 - E.g.: Decimal Number System, Binary Number System, etc.
- Radix or Base:
 - number of digits or symbols in a given number system.
 - E.g.: Radix 10, Radix 2, etc.



Why study Number Systems?

1

Understand how the computer represents data before processing

2

Understand the language of the Digital Computer System

3

Convert numbers from one form to another

4

Perform arithmetic computation in any form

5

Analyze and design digital electronics



Application of Number Systems (NS)

- Decimal NS:
 - Counting, measuring and labeling items
 - Performing arithmetic calculations
 - Used in communication systems such as phone numbers, zip codes, etc
- Binary NS:
 - Used to represent and process data in computers
 - Performing binary arithmetic computations
 - Image manipulation and computer graphics
 - Binary operations extract specific information from images



Application of Number Systems (NS)

- Octal NS:
 - Represent file permissions in UNIX OS (Linux and Mac OS)
 - Used for error detection caused by noise or other transmission issues
 - Used to distinguish different aircraft on a radar based on "squawk" codes
- Hexadecimal NS:
 - Large numbers can be represented using fewer digits
 - MAC addresses are represented using Hex
 - Colours are represented in Hex for graphic design



Application of Number Systems (NS)

- Binary Coded Decimal NS:
 - For encoding product codes using barcodes
 - Used in digital clocks and timekeeping systems
 - Employed in error detection and corrections techniques
 - E.g.: checksums and parity bits
 - For analog-to-digital conversions
 - Used in accounting systems for accurate manipulation of monetary values



Analog vs Digital Signals

- Signal refers to data values converted into electrical pulse readily available for transmission and processing.
 - Signals are used for
 - arithmetic computation
 - communication
 - networking
- Forms of numerical value representation
 - Analog signal
 - Digital signal

Analog

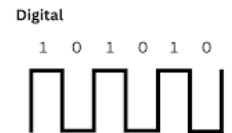


Digital



Analog vs Digital Signals

- Analog signal
 - represents numerical values or figures of a quantity between two expected extreme values.
 - provides an output which is continuous
 - E.g.: Temp from 0°C – 100°C
- Digital signal
 - express numerical values or figures of a quantity into steps of values.
 - provides an output which is discrete
 - E.g.: Temp of 9°C as 00001001

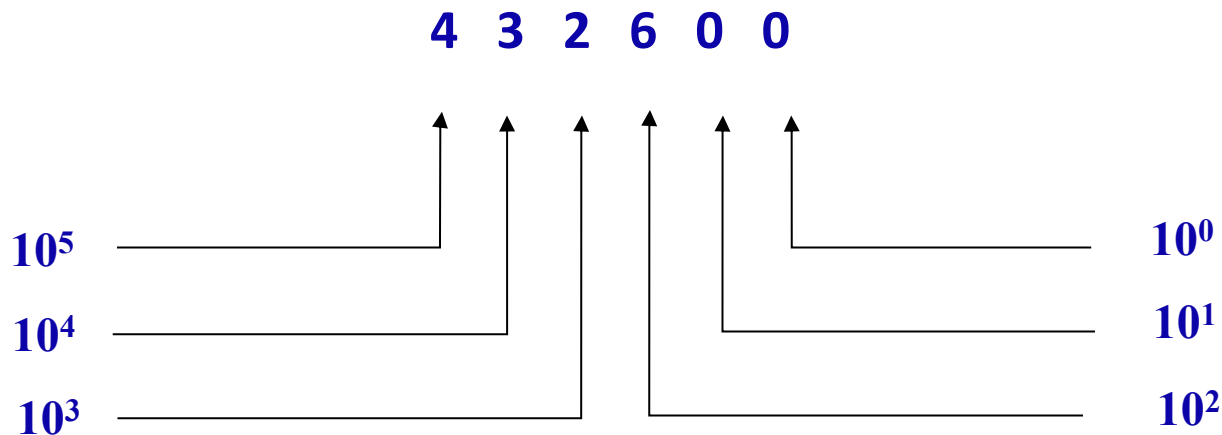


Decimal Number System

- Radix ten or Decimal System

– {0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9}

E.g.: 432,600



Powers of ten:

$$10^0 = 1$$

$$10^4 = 10000$$

$$10^1 = 10 \quad 10^3 = 1000$$

$$10^5 = 100000$$

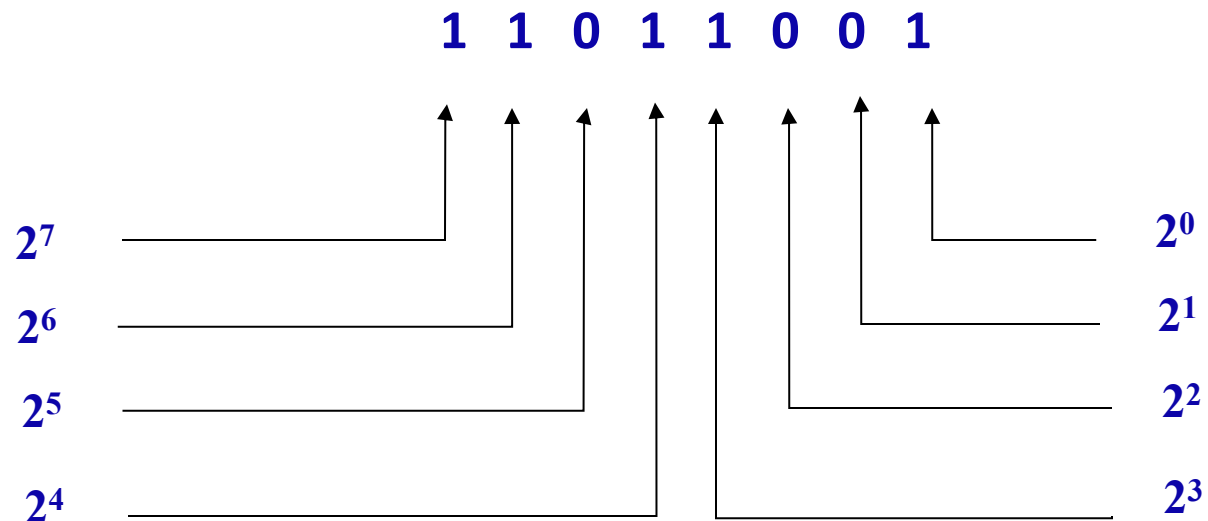


Binary Number System (Radix 2) {0, 1}

Binar	Decimal
0	0
1	1
10	2
11	3
100	4
101	5
110	6
111	7
1000	8
1001	9
1010	10



Example



Binary to Decimal

Convert 1101 1001 to decimal

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \times 2^7 = 128 \\ + 1 \times 2^6 = 64 \\ + 1 \times 2^4 = 16 \\ + 1 \times 2^3 = 8 \\ + 1 \times 2^0 = 1 \\ \hline 217 \end{array}$$

Try this!

1. What is 10011010 in decimal?
2. What is 00101001 in decimal?

Solution:

1. 154
2. 41



Decimal to Binary

Steps:

- 1. Determine the greatest power of two that is less than the number
- 2. Deduct the number from that power of two.
- 3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 for the updated outcome until you get to zero.
- 4. Write the binary number

E.g.: Convert 574 to radix 2

- $2^9 = 512$
- $574 - 512 = 62$
- $2^5 = 32$ $62 - 32 = 30$
- $2^4 = 16$ $30 - 16 = 14$
- $2^3 = 8$ $14 - 8 = 6$
- $2^2 = 4$ $6 - 4 = 2$
- $2^1 = 2$ $2 - 2 = 0$
- 1000111110



Decimal to Binary Conversion

- Example: 144
- $2^7 = 128$ $144 - 128 = 16$
- $2^4 = 16$ $16 - 16 = 0$
- Result: 10010000
- 53
 - = $32 + 16 + 4 + 1$
 - = $2^5 + 2^4 + 2^2 + 2^0$
 - = 110101 in binary
 - = 0011 0101 as a full byte in binary
- Exx. Convert 211 to binary
 - 1101 0011



Fraction(Decimal) to Binary

- ◆ Use Radix to multiply the number
- ◆ Pick the 0 or 1 integer as a partial result
- ◆ Pick the fraction part and repeat the process

Example: $(0.625)_{10}$

	Integer	Fraction	Result
0.625	* 2 = 1	. 25	$x_1 = 1$
0.25	* 2 = 0	. 5	$x_2 = 0$
0.5	* 2 = 1	. 0	$x_3 = 1$

Result: $(0.x_1 x_2 x_3)_2 = (0.101)_2$



In-Class Exercise

1. For a given binary number system, list the first sixteen digits.
2. Let 0, 1 and X be the independent digits in any arbitrary number system.
 - (a) What is this number system's radix?
 - (b) In this number system, list the first ten numbers.

Please try it!

Solution:

1. 0, 1, 10, 11, 100, 101, 110, 111, 1000, 1001, 1010, 1011, 1100, 1101, 1110 and 1111

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- 2(a). The radix of the proposed number system is 3

- 2(b). The first 10 numbers in this number system would be 0, 1, X, 10, 11, 1X, X0, X1, XX and 100



Octal (Radix 8)

- Has eight different digits because its radix is 8.
- The 8 digits are as follows:
 $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$
- The place values in this number system are
 - $8^0, 8^1, \dots, 8^7$ (integer)
 - $8^{-1}, 8^{-2}, \dots, 8^{-7}$ (fraction)
- Exercise:
 - Write the next 10 numbers that follow '7'

Solution: 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20 and 21



Decimal to Octal

- Convert 175.3125_{ten} to radix of 8

Converting the integer part: 175_{ten}

	Partial Quotient	Partial Remainder	Result
$175 / 8 =$	21	7	$x_0 = 7$
$21 / 8 =$	2	5	$x_1 = 5$
$2 / 8 =$	0	2	$x_2 = 2$
$175_{\text{ten}} = (x_2 x_1 x_0)_8 = 257_8$			

Converting the fraction part: 0.3125_{ten}

	Partial Integer	Partial Fraction	Result
$0.3125 \times 8 =$	2	. 5	$x_{-1} = 2$
$0.5 \times 8 =$	4	. 0	$x_{-2} = 4$
$0.3125_{\text{ten}} = (0.x_{-1} x_{-2})_8 = (0.24)_8$			

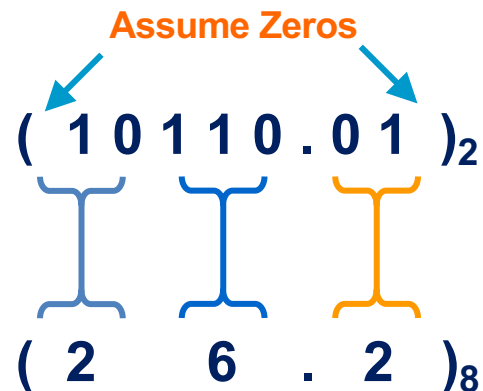
$$175.3125_{\text{ten}} = 257.24_{\text{eight}}$$



Binary to Octal

- ◆ $8 = 2^3$
- ◆ An octal digit is represented by group of 3 bits

Example:



Octal	Binary
0	0 0 0
1	0 0 1
2	0 1 0
3	0 1 1
4	1 0 0
5	1 0 1
6	1 1 0
7	1 1 1

Works **both** ways (Binary to Octal & Octal to Binary)



Hexadecimal (Radix 16)

- ◆ A hex digit is represented by group 4 bits
{0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F}
- ◆ Decimal to Hexadecimal equivalents shown in Table

Dec	Hex	Dec	Hex
0	0	8	8
1	1	9	9
2	2	10	A
3	3	11	B
4	4	12	C
5	5	13	D
6	6	14	E
7	7	15	F



Example: Hexadecimal to Decimal

3 B 6 E

16^3 16^2 16^1 16^0

$$\begin{aligned} 3 * 16^3 &= 12,288 \\ 11 * 16^2 &= 2,816 \\ 6 * 16^1 &= 96 \\ 14 * 16^0 &= 14 \end{aligned}$$

= 15214



Hexadecimal to Binary

$$16 = 2^4$$

Each hexadecimal digit will be represented by 4 bits (nibble)

Binary	Hex	Binary	Hex
0000	0	1001	9
0001	1	1010	A
0010	2	1011	B
0011	3	1100	C
0100	4	1101	D
0101	5	1110	E
0110	6	1111	F
0111	7		
1000	8		



Binary to Hexadecimal

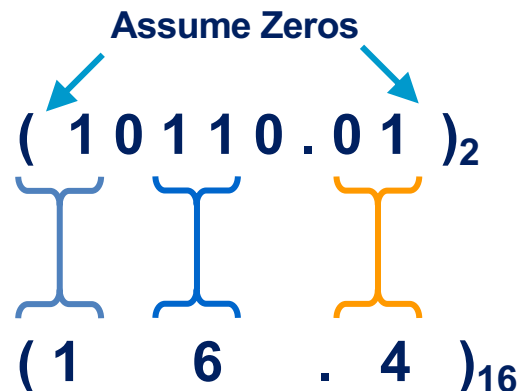
- Put binary numbers in groups of four (nibbles)
 - 1101 1001 0110
- Translate each nibble's representation into hex
- 1101 1001 0110
 - D 9 6



Binary to Hexadecimal

◆ $16 = 2^4$

Example:



Can be done in both ways

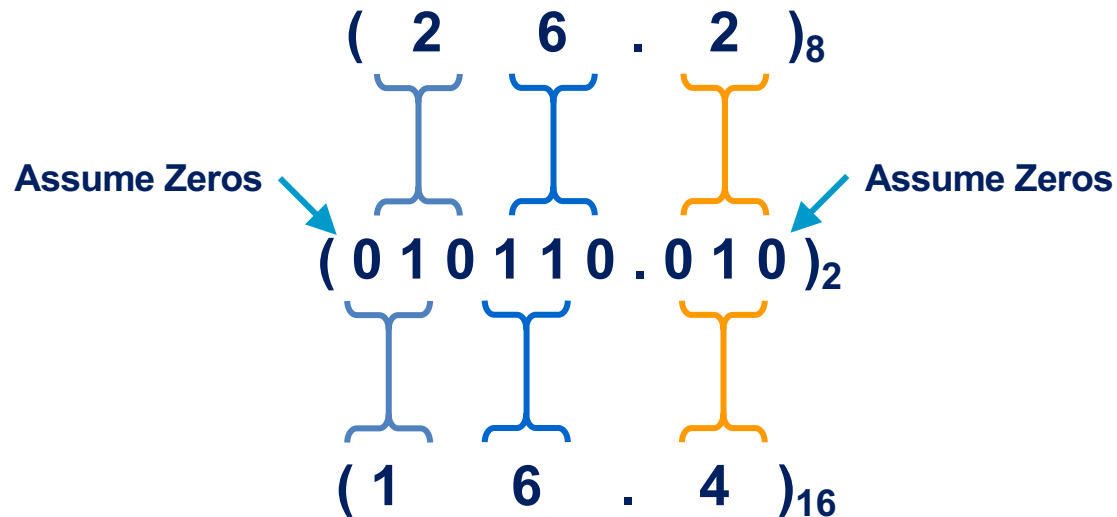
Hex	Binary
0	0000
1	0001
2	0010
3	0011
4	0100
5	0101
6	0110
7	0111
8	1000
9	1001
A	1010
B	1011
C	1100
D	1101
E	1110
F	1111



Octal to Hexadecimal

- ◆ Convert to Binary as a baseline step

Example:



Can be done in both ways



Decimal to Hexadecimal

- Eg. 284

- $16^2 = 256$ $284 - 256 = 28$
- $16^1 = 16$ $28 - 16 = 12$ (Hex C)
- Result: 1 1 C
- **Repeated Division Approach:**

	Quotient	Remainder	Coefficient
$284 / 16 =$	17	12	$a_0 = \mathbf{C}$
$17 / 16 =$	1	1	$a_1 = \mathbf{1}$
$1 / 16 =$	0	1	$a_2 = \mathbf{1}$

Answer: $(284)_{10} = (a_2 a_1 a_0)_{16} = (11\mathbf{C})_{16}$

- Exercise: Try 1054
- Result: 4 1 E



Hexadecimal to Decimal

- Convert 2DB in hex to radix of ten

Place Value	16^2		16^1		16^0
Hexadecimal	2	D		B	
	$(16^2 \times 2)$	$(16^1 \times 13)$		$(16^0 \times 11)$	
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Decimal, Binary, Octal and Hexadecimal

Decimal	Binary	Octal	Hex
00	0000	00	0
01	0001	01	1
02	0010	02	2
03	0011	03	3
04	0100	04	4
05	0101	05	5
06	0110	06	6
07	0111	07	7
08	1000	10	8
09	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



Application Example

- **ASCII** (American Standard Code for Information Interchange)
 - assigns standard binary codes to letters, numerals, punctuation marks, and other characters used in computers.
 - is a 7-bit character set containing 128 characters
 - the 8th bit is often used for error detection (parity bit)
 - **E.g.:** Use the ASCII codes to represent **Digital**

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



BCD Number System

- The Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) replaces each decimal digit with a four-bit binary code.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

- E.g.: Convert 469_{ten} to BCD
- Answer:

$(\begin{array}{c} 4 \\ \text{┌───┐} \\ \text{└───┘} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 6 \\ \text{┌───┐} \\ \text{└───┘} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 9 \\ \text{┌───┐} \\ \text{└───┘} \end{array})_{\text{ten}}$

$(\text{0100} \quad \text{0110} \quad \text{1001})_{\text{BCD}}$



BCD Number System

- Ex.: Find the decimal equivalent of $0110\ 0100\ 1011_{BCD}$

Answer:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (0110 & 0100 & 1011)_{BCD} \\ \text{┌───┐} & \text{┌───┐} & \text{┌───┐} \\ \text{└───┘} & \text{└───┘} & \text{└───┘} \\ (6 & 4 & \#)_{ten} \end{array}$$

- not possible because 1011 is not a valid BCD

- Assignment:
 - Convert $(9750)_{10}$ to BCD
 - Answer: $(9750)_{10} = (1001011101010000)_{BCD}$



Summary

- Digital electronics use base-two (binary)
 - +5 voltage (1) and 0V voltage (0)
 - High and Low
- Analog electronics operate on continuously varying electrical/physical magnitudes – temperature, pressure, velocity, etc.
- Number conversions
 - Binary, Octal, Hexadecimal, BCD

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Chapter 1



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