CS 340

#2: Character Encodings and Binary Math

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Representing Letters: ASCII

Representing numbers is great -- but what about words? Can we make sentences with binary data?

- **Key Idea:** Every letter is _____ binary bits.* (This means that every letter is hex digits.)
- Global standard called the American Standard Code for **Information Interchange (ASCII)** is a for translating numbers to characters.

ASCII Character Encoding Examples:									
Binar	y Hex	Char.	Binary	Hex	Char.				
0b 0100 000	1 0x41	Α	0b 0110 0001	0x61	а				
0b 0100 001	0x42	В	0b 0110 0010	0x62	b				
		С			С				
		D			d				
0b0010 010	0x24	\$	0b0111 1011	0x7b	{				

...and now we can form sentences!

Q: Are there going to be any issues with ASCII?

Representing Letters: Other Character Encodings

Since ASCII uses only 8 bits, we are limited to only 256 unique characters. There's far more than 256 characters -- and what about EMOJIs??

- Many other character encodings exist other than ASCII.
- The most widely used character encoding is known as Unicode Transformation Format (8-bit) or
- Standard is **ISO/IEC 10646** (Updated annually!).

Technical Details of UTF-8 Encoding

UTF-8 uses a -bit design where each character by be any of the following:

Length	Byte #1	Byte #2	Byte #3	Byte #4
1-byte	0			
2-bytes:	110	10		
3-bytes:	1110	10	10	
4-bytes:	1111 0	10	10	10

Unicode characters are represented by U+## (where ## is the hex value of the character encoding data) and all 1-byte characters match the ASCII character encoding:

• 'a' is ASCII _____, or _____.

Example: ε (epsilon) is defined as **U+03b5**. How do we encode this?

Example: I received the following binary message encoded in UTF-8: 0100 1000 0110 1001 1111 0000 1001 1111 1000 1110 1000 1001

- 1. What is the hexadecimal representation of this message?
- **2.** What is the **byte length** of this message?
- **3.** What is the **character length** of this message?
- **4.** What does the message say?

```
02/utf8-binary.c
unsigned char message[] = {
  0b01001000, 0b01101001, 0b11110000,
  0b10011111, 0b10001110, 0b10001001, 0
printf("%s\n", message);
```

Bit Manipulation: Binary Addition

For the past two lectures we have focused on the first foundation: **DATA**. Today, we are going to begin the transition away from data and into how data applies to the **CPU**. Binary addition work just like decimal addition, but with only **0**s and **1**s:

	0b	010011		0b	0011
+	0b	<u>001001</u>	+	0b	0111

Negative Numbers:

Two's Complement

The Two's Complement is a way to represent signed (ex: positive vs. negative) numbers in a way _______!

For simplicity, let's imagine running on an **7-bit machine**:

-4 =

Overflow Detection in Two's Complement:

Towards Multiplication

With Two's Complement, we can add and subtract numbers! What about more complex operations?

$$10 \times 2 =$$

$$10 \times 4 =$$

$$10 \times 9 =$$

Bit Shift Operations:

- 1. [Left Shift]:
- 2. [Right Shift]: