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Consider numbers having a binary representation consisting of an infinite string of the form $0.yyy\ldots$, where y is a k -bit sequence. For example, the binary representation of $\frac{1}{3}$ is $0.01010101\ldots$ ($y = 01$), while the representation of $\frac{1}{5}$ is $0.001100110011\ldots$ ($y = 0011$).

A. Let $Y = \text{B2U}_k(y)$, that is, the number having binary representation y . Give a formula in terms of Y and k for the value represented by the infinite string. Hint: Consider the effect of shifting the binary point k positions to the right.

Formula:

Let $\text{value} = 0.yyy\ldots$, $Y = \text{unsigned}(y)$.

Shift the binary point k positions to the right, $y.yyy\ldots = \text{value} * 2^k$.

Also, $\text{value} + Y = y.yyy\ldots = \text{value} * 2^k$.

It gives :

$$\text{value} = \frac{Y}{2^k - 1}$$

B. What is the numeric value of the string for the following values of y ?

(a) 001

$$\text{value} = \frac{1}{2^3 - 1} = \frac{1}{7}$$

(b) 1001

$$\text{value} = \frac{9}{2^4 - 1} = \frac{9}{15} = \frac{3}{5}$$

(c) 000111

$$\text{value} = \frac{7}{2^6 - 1} = \frac{7}{63} = \frac{1}{9}$$

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Intel-compatible processors also support an “extended precision” floating-point format with an 80-bit word divided into a sign bit, $k = 15$ exponent bits, a single *integer* bit, and $n = 63$ fraction bits. The integer bit is an explicit copy of the implied bit in the IEEE floating-point representation. That is, it equals 1 for normalized values and 0 for denormalized values. Fill in the following table giving the approximate values of some “interesting” numbers in this format:

Description	Extended precision	
	Value	Decimal
Smallest positive denormalized	$2^{-63} \times 2^{-16382}$	3.645×10^{-4951}
Smallest positive normalized	2^{-16382}	3.362×10^{-4932}
Largest normalized	$(2 - 2^{-63}) \times 2^{16383}$	1.190×10^{4932}

$$\text{bias} = 2^{\{14\}} - 1 = 16383$$

Smallest positive denormalized:

$$E = 1 - 16383 = -16382, M = 0.00 \dots 1 = 2^{\{-63\}}$$

Smallest positive normalized:

$$\text{Exp} = 000 \dots 1 = 1, E = \text{exp} - 16383 = -16382, M = 1.000 \dots 0 = 1$$

Largest normalized:

$$\text{Exp} = 11 \dots 10, E = \text{exp} - 16383 = 0111 \dots 11 = 2^{\{14\}} - 1 = 16383, M = 1.1111 \dots 111 = 2 - 2^{\{-63\}}$$

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Consider the following two 9-bit floating-point representations based on the IEEE floating-point format.

1. Format A

There is one sign bit.

There are $k = 5$ exponent bits. The exponent bias is 15.

There are $n = 3$ fraction bits.

2. Format B

There is one sign bit.

There are $k = 4$ exponent bits. The exponent bias is 7.

There are $n = 4$ fraction bits.

Below, you are given some bit patterns in Format A, and your task is **to convert them to the closest value in Format B**. If rounding is necessary, you should *round toward $+\infty$* . In addition, give the values of numbers given by the Format A and Format B bit patterns. Give these as whole numbers (e.g., 17) or as fractions (e.g.,

$\frac{17}{64}$ or $\frac{17}{2^6}$).

Format A		Format B	
Bits	Value	Bits	Value
1 01110 001	$-\frac{9}{16}$	1 0110 0010	$-\frac{9}{16}$
0 10110 101	208	0 1110 1010	208
1 00111 110	$-\frac{7}{1024}$	1 0000 0111	$-\frac{7}{1024}$
0 00000 101	$\frac{5}{2^{17}}$	0 0000 0001	$\frac{1}{1024}$
1 11011 000	$-2^{12} = -4096$	1 1110 1111	-248
0 11000 100	$3 \times 2^8 = 768$	0 1111 0000	$+\infty$

Format A

bias = $2^4 - 1 = 15$,

1 01110 001, $s=1$, $E=14-15=-1$, $M=1.001=9/8$

0 10110 101, $s=0$, $E=22-15=7$, $M=1.101=13/8$

1 00111 110, $s=1$, $E=7-15=-8$, $M=1.110=14/8$

0 00000 101, $s=0$, $E=1-15=-14$, $M=0.101=5/8$

1 11011 000, $s=1$, $E=27-15=12$, $M=1.000=8/8$

0 11000 100, $s=0$, $E=24-15=9$, $M=1.100=12/8=3/2$

Format B

bias = $2^3 - 1 = 7$

1 0110 0010, $s=1$, $E=6-7=-1$, $M=1.0010=9/8$

0 1110 1010, $s=0$, $E=14-7=7$, $M=1.1010=13/8$

1 0000 0111, $s=1$, $E=1-7=-6$, $M=0.0111=7/16$

0 0000 0001, $s=0$, $E=1-7=-6$, $M=0.101=1/16$

1 1110 1111, $s=1$, $E=14-7=7$, $M=1.1111=31/16$

0 1111 0000, inf