## **Extra Credit 1 - Two's Complement**

Recall the method of converting a two's complement number to it's opposite (i.e. to convert a positive number to it's negative complement, and vice versa).

- Start from the right side (i.e. the lowest order bit).
- Read the bit and copy it to the new number in the same position, then move to the bit to its left.
- Continue in this fashion until you copy the first 1 (this could happen on the first bit).
- Copy that first 1, but from then on flip the bits when you copy them (replace a 1 with a 0, and replace a 0 with a 1.

Take a four bit number system as an example:

```
0111 | 7
0110 | 6
0101 | 5
0100 | 4
0011 | 3
0010 | 2
0001 | 1
0000 | 0
1111 | -1
1110 | -2
1101 | -3
1100 | -4
1011 | -5
1010 | -6
1001 | -7
1000 | -8
```

Now convert 6 to negative 6:

- Start with 0110 and copy the first bit: 0
- Move to the next bit and copy it: 10
- We have copied our first 1, so from now on we flip the bits.
- Move to the third bit and flip it: 010.
- Now flip the final bit: 1010 which is -6.

## **Your Task**

- Write a function called complement(bits) which takes a string of ones and zeroes called 'bits', converts it from a positive two's complement number to a negative (or vice versa), and returns the complementary value.
- Save your function in a file named excred\_1.py
- You may submit this at any time during the quarter
- This extra credit assignment is worth a 1% bonus on your final grade (to compare, your quizzes vary from 1% to 2% of your final grade, so this assignment can help wipe out a bad quiz grade).