

1+1 = 2 ... in hardware!

CS 3410: Computer System Organization and Programming



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What is 2^{10} ?

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- Number representations
 - How to translate between different **bases**
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Number Representations

Most computers represent exactly 2 symbols:

- "high voltage" = 1 = true; "low voltage" = 0 = false

Recall:

assembler

	10	x0	x5	op = addi
RISC-V	000000001010 00000000 001010010011			
machine	000000000010001010010010010011111			
language	000000001111 00101000 001010010011			
	15	x5	x5	op = addi

EVERYTHING IS A NUMBER!



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How do we represent numbers in Binary? (base 2)

How do we do it for decimal? (base 10)

hundreds
tens
ones

Base 10

$$637_{10} = 6 \cdot 10^2 + 3 \cdot 10^1 + 7 \cdot 10^0 = 637$$

four's
two's
ones

Base 2

$$101_2 = 1 \cdot 2^2 + 0 \cdot 2^1 + 1 \cdot 2^0 = 5$$



Counting in Different Bases

DEC (Base 10)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
BIN (Base 2)	0	1	10	11	100	101	110	111	1000	1001	1010	1011	1100	1101	1110	1111	10000	10001	10010
OCT (Base 8)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	20	21	22
HEX (Base 16)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F	10	11	12



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0b 1111 1111 = 255

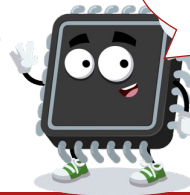
0b 1 0000 0000 = 256

0x ff = 255

0x 100 = 256

0o 77 = 63

0o 100 = 64



PRO TIP!

4 binary digits = 1 hex digit
3 binary digits = 1 octal digit



Converting between bases: $637_{10} \rightarrow \text{octal}$

Approach #1: Left to Right

$$637 - 1 \times 512 = 125$$

$$125 - 1 \times 64 = 61$$

$$61 - 7 \times 8 = 5$$

8^3	8^2	8^1	8^0
512	64	8	1
1	1	7	5

Approach #2: Right to Left (repetitive division)

$$637 / 8 = 79 \text{ remainder } 5$$

$$79 / 8 = 9 \text{ remainder } 7$$

$$9 / 8 = 1 \text{ remainder } 1$$

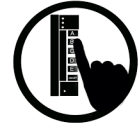
$$1 / 8 = 0 \text{ remainder } 1$$

lsb (least significant bit*)

msb (most significant bit*)

$$637 = 0o1175$$





Poll Everywhere Question #2:

Convert the number 657_{10} to base 16
What is the least significant digit of this number?

- a) D
- b) F
- c) 0
- d) 1
- e) 11



$657 = 0x291$

Answer is D: 1

Convert the number 657_{10} to base 16. What is the least significant digit? 0

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Convert from Binary to other powers of 2

3 binary digits = 1 octal
4 binary digits = 1 hex



- **Binary** to **Octal**

- 3 bits (000—111) have values 0...7 = 1 octal digit

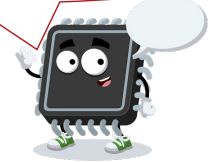
example: **0b** 1 001 111 101
 1 **1** **7** **5** → **0o1175**

- **Binary** to Hexadecimal

- **Nibble** (0000—1111) has values 0...15 = 1 hex digit

example: **0b** **10** **0111** **1101**
 2 **7** **d** → **0x27d**

4 binary digits = 1 hex = *nibble*
8 binary digits = 2 hex = *byte!*



Ask class to convert from binary to octal

637 = 0o1175 = 0b10 0111 1101 = 0x27D

oct: 637 : 79 : 9 : 1 : 0

bin: 637 : 318 : 159 : 79 : 39 : 19 : 9 : 4 : 2 : 1 : 0

hex: 637 : 39 : 2 : 0

Achievement Unlocked!

There are 10 types of people in the world:

- Those who understand binary
- And those who do not
- *And* those who know this joke is in base 3



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Binary Addition

Addition works the same for all bases

- Add the digits in each position
- Propagate the carry

Binary addition is pretty easy

- Combine two bits at a time
- Along with a carry

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 183 \\ + 254 \\ \hline 437 \end{array}$$

Carry-in
(of 4th bit)

$$\begin{array}{r} 111 \\ 001110 \\ + 011100 \\ \hline 101010 \end{array}$$

Carry-out
(of 3rd bit)



Talk about Cin (carry in) and Cout (carry out)

Animate this better

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So we need two numbers, the sum, carry in, and carry out

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