

Number Systems

(Sec. 2.5)

A) The Decimal System

- Used in everyday life to represent numbers
- based on 10 digits {0, 1, 2, ..., 9}
- Consider, for example, the number 9734
(Nine thousands, 7 hundreds, thirty four):

$$9734 = (9 \times 1000) + (7 \times 100) + (3 \times 10) + 4$$

$$= 9 \times 10^3 + 7 \times 10^2 + 3 \times 10 + 4 \times 10^0$$

- * The base (radix) is 10 \rightarrow each digit in the number is multiplied by 10 raised to a power corresponding to that digit's position.
- Same thing holds for decimal fractions but -ve powers of 10 are used.

$$0.485 = 4 \times 10^{-1} + 8 \times 10^{-2} + 5 \times 10^{-3}$$

- In general:

$$X = \dots d_2 d_1 d_0 \cdot d_{-1} d_{-2} d_{-3}$$

$$= \left(\sum_i d_i \times 10^i \right)_{10} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{notation to} \\ \text{indicate decin} \end{matrix}$$

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B) Other Number Systems (•)

<u>System</u>	<u>Radix</u>	<u>digits</u>
Decimal	10	0, 1, 2, ..., 9
Binary	2	0, 1
Octal	8	0, 1, 2, ..., 7
Hexadecimal	16	0, 1, 2, ..., 9, A, B, C, D, E, F

Ex. 1 Convert $(735)_8$ to decimal.

Soln $(735)_8 = 7 \times 8^2 + 3 \times 8^1 + 5 \times 8^0 = (477)_{10}$

Ex. 2 Convert $(A3.F2)_{16}$ to decimal.

Soln $(A3.F2)_{16} = 10 \times 16^2 + 3 \times 16^1 + 15 \times 16^0 + 2 \times 16^{-1}$
 $= (163.9453125)_{10}$

Ex. 3 Convert $(10110.011)_2$ to decimal.

Soln $(10110.011)_2 = 1 \times 2^4 + 0 \times 2^3 + 1 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 0 \times 2^0$
 $\quad \quad \quad 0 \times 2^{-1} + 1 \times 2^{-2} + 1 \times 2^{-3}$
 $= (22.375)_{10}$

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c) Converting from Decimal to Binary:

$$(\cdot)_{10} \longrightarrow (\cdot)_2$$

- The binary system is used to represent number in the computer since it uses only 2 digits (0, 1 called bits) and therefore simpler to represent using 2 voltage levels (High, Low). Besides it requires simpler circuits to manipulate binary numbers.
- To convert a number from decimal to binary, the integer part is handled in a different way than the fraction part

$$(30)_{10} = 0.73_{10} \quad X = (\underbrace{\dots d_4 d_3 d_2 d_1 d_0}_{\text{integer part}} \cdot \underbrace{d_{-1} d_{-2} d_{-3} \dots}_{\text{fraction part}})_{10}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 30 \\ 15 \\ 7 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \mid \begin{array}{l} 0 = 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^2 + 2^1 \\ \downarrow \text{repeated division by 2 and record the remainders in order of appearance from the decimal point and moving left} \end{array}$$

repeated multiplication by 2 and record the integer part from decimal pt and moving right

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Ex. 4Convert $(23.375)_{10}$ to binary.Solⁿ

$$\begin{array}{r} 23 \\ 2 \Big| 11 R_1 \\ 2 \Big| 5 R_1 \\ 2 \Big| 2 R_1 \\ 2 \Big| 1 R_0 \\ 2 \Big| 0 R_1 \\ \hline & 1011 \end{array}$$

↑ remainders

$$\begin{array}{l} 0.75 = 2 \times 0.375 \\ 1.5 = 2 \times 0.75 \\ 1.0 = 2 \times 0.5 \\ 0.0 = 2 \times 0.0 \\ \hline 0110... \end{array}$$

Thus, $(23.375)_{10} = (1011.011)_2$

Ex. 5Convert $(9.2)_{10}$ to binary.Solⁿ

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ 2 \Big| 1 \\ 4 \Big| 0 \\ 2 \Big| 0 \\ 1 \Big| 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ 2 \Big| 4 R_1 \\ 2 \Big| 2 R_0 \\ 2 \Big| 1 R_0 \\ 2 \Big| 0 R_1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{cases} 0.4 = 2 \times 0.2 \\ 0.8 = 2 \times 0.4 \\ 1.6 = 2 \times 0.8 \\ 1.2 = 2 \times 0.6 \\ 0.4 = 2 \times 0.2 \end{cases}$$

it repeats afterwards

$$\therefore (9.2)_{10} = (1001. \overline{0011})_2$$

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Ex. 6 (Used to be a job interview question at a major software company).

Consider the following program segment:

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num = 0.0 ;
for i=1 to 10 do
    num = num + 0.1 ;
    if (num = 1)
        print("OK");
    else
        print("Not OK");
    
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$0.2 = 2 \cdot 0.1$
 $0.4 = 2 \cdot 0.2$
 $0.8 = 2 \cdot 0.4$
 $1.6 = 2 \cdot 0.8$
 $1.2 = 2 \cdot 0.6$
 $= ? \cdot 0$

$(0.1)_{10} = \overline{00011}$

What should the program print?

Soln The program prints "Not OK". The reason is that the fraction part $(0.\underline{1})_{10}$ has no exact binary representation (see previous example) and is subject to truncation error due to finite precision. Adding $(0.\underline{1})_{10}$ ten times will therefore result in a value $< (1.0)_{10}$.

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D) Operations in Binary Number System

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \\ + 0 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \\ + 1 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ + 0 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 1 \\ + 1 \\ \hline \text{carry} \quad 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \\ - 0 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ - 0 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ - 1 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \xrightarrow{\text{borrow}} 10 \\ \cancel{0} \\ - 1 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \\ \times 0 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ \times 0 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \\ \times 1 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ \times 1 \\ \hline 1 \end{array}$$

Ex. 7 Carry out the following operations in binary system:

i)

$$\begin{array}{r} 11 \\ 1011.01 \\ + 110.1 \\ \hline 10001.11 \end{array}$$

16 4 1

$$\begin{array}{r} 8_2 21 \\ 16 \\ \hline 17 \end{array}$$

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ii) $100101 - 1011$

$$\begin{array}{r} \cancel{0} \cancel{10} \cancel{10} \cancel{0} \cancel{10} \\ \times \cancel{0} \cancel{0} \cancel{X} \cancel{0} 1 \\ \hline 1 0 1 1 \\ - \hline 1 1 0 1 0 \end{array}$$

iii) 11101×101

$$\begin{array}{r} 11101 \\ \times 101 \\ \hline 11101 \\ 00000 \\ + 11101 \\ \hline 10010001 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ \cancel{0} \cancel{10} \cancel{0} \cancel{10} \\ \times \cancel{0} \cancel{0} \cancel{X} \cancel{0} 1 \\ \hline 1011 \\ - \hline 11010 \end{array}$$

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iv) $10010001 \div 101$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 & & & 1 \\
 & & & \boxed{11101} \\
 \hline
 101 & \overline{)10010001} \\
 - & 101 \\
 \hline
 & 1000 \\
 - & 101 \\
 \hline
 & 0110 \\
 - & 101 \\
 \hline
 & 101 \\
 - & 101 \\
 \hline
 & 0
 \end{array}$$

Thus, $10010001 \div 101 = 11101$

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$$\begin{array}{r}
 1011 \\
 11 \times 1 \\
 \hline
 999 \\
 \hline
 12
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 1110 \\
 1010 \\
 \hline
 1000 \\
 101 \\
 \hline
 011
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 & & 1 \\
 & & 10 \\
 & & 10 \\
 1010 & \overline{)10010001} \\
 - & 101 \\
 \hline
 & 0110
 \end{array}$$