

# CS 31: Introduction to Computer Systems

## 02: Introduction & Data Representation

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# Announcements

- Register your clicker! <https://forms.gle/YBFvNWPTXgiySMHx5>
- Submit Lab 0!
- Reading quizzes count from next week!
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# Reading Quiz

- Note the red border!
- 1 minute per question
- No talking, no laptops, phones during the quiz

## Check your frequency:

- Iclicker2: frequency AA
- Iclicker+: green light next to selection

For new devices this should be okay,  
For used you may need to reset frequency

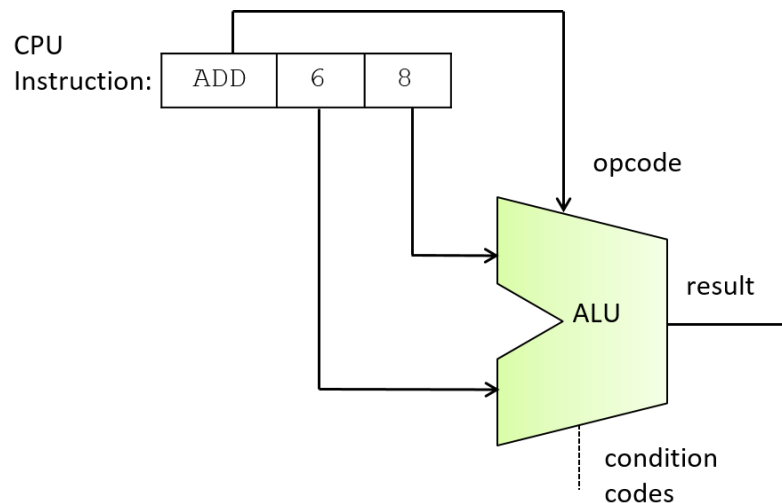
## Reset:

1. hold down power button until blue light flashes (2secs)
2. Press the frequency code: AA  
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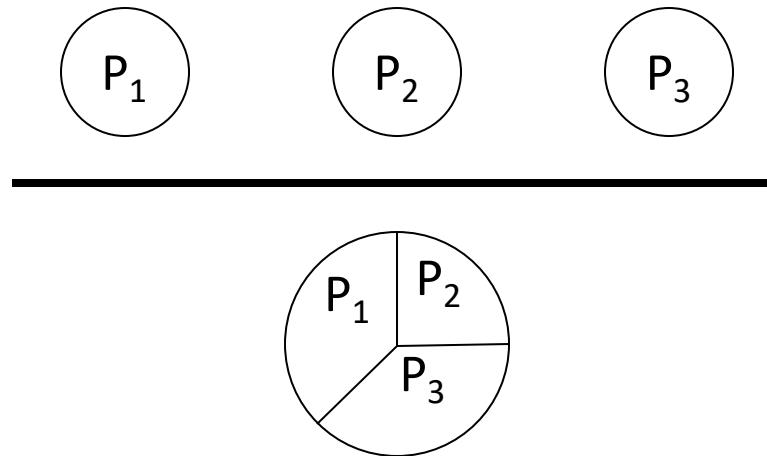
# What is a computer system?

**Hardware (HW) & Special Systems Software (OS)** that work together to run application programs

- HW executes program instructions
- OS that manages the computer HW
- OS also provides abstractions to the programs/users



**Computer Hardware**



**Operating System**  
CPU | Memory | Storage

C program:

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// example C program
void main() {
    int authenticate;
    scanf("Enter your
    username and pwd:");
}
```

**Program**

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What are the goals of our system? **Correctness**

- Is  $x^2 \geq 0$ ?
  - Floating point values: Yes!
  - Integers
    - $40000 * 40000 = 1600000000$
    - $50000 * 50000 = ??$

# What we will learn this week

1. Binary Representation of program data types ex. 6, -4, 'a'
  - C data types and sizes, bit, byte, word
  - signed and unsigned representation
2. Operations on binary data
  - Addition and Subtraction on integer types. (e.g.:  $6 + 12$     $15 - 5$     $-9 + 12$ )
  - Some other operations on bits
  - Bit shifting, bit-wise OR, AND and NOT

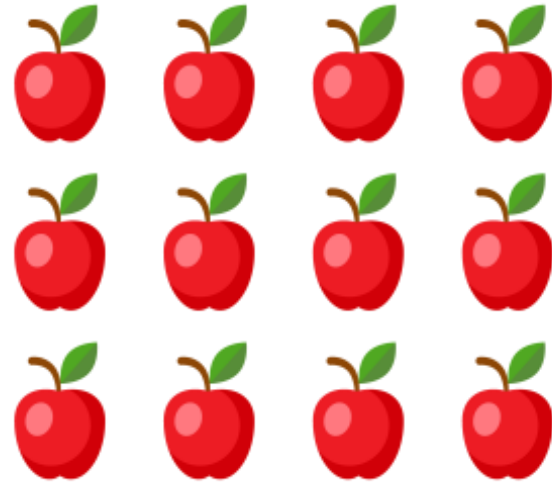
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How many apples are there?

A. 12

B. 1100

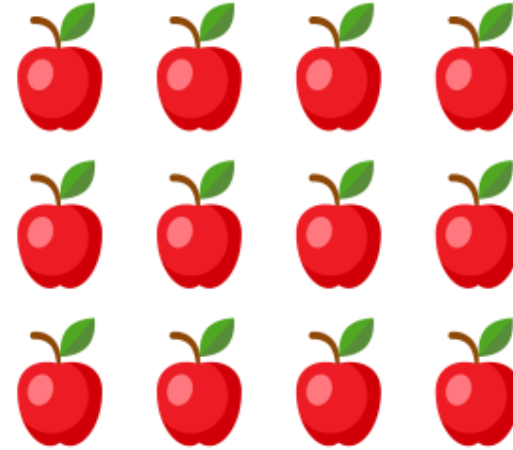
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- A. 12 (decimal, base 10)
- B. **0b**1100 (binary, base 2)
- C. **0xc** (hexadecimal, base 16)
- D. **all of these**



We are using different number systems to represent the concept of twelve

- to be clear about which representation:
  - prefix binary with **0b**
  - prefix hex with **0x**

**E.g.:** Without a prefix what does “10” refer to?

decimal: 10, binary: 0b10 = 2 hex: 0x10 = 16!



# Different Representations

- Binary: base 2 digits [0,1]
- Decimal: base 10 digits [0, 1, ..., 9]
- Hexadecimal: base 16 digits [0, ...,9,a,b,c,d,e,f]

Relationship between Binary and Hexadecimal: 16 is  $2^4$

- each hex digit is unique permutation of 4 binary digits

0000: 0	0001: 1	0010: 2	0011: 3	0100: 4	0101: 5	0110: 6	0111: 7
1000: 8	1001: 9	1010: a	1011: b	1100: c	1101: d	1110: e	1111: f

Why hex? Shorthand for binary that is easier for humans to read

0011111011111010 -> 0011 1110 1111 1010 -> 0x 3 e f a

# Positional Notation: Decimal Base 10

A number, written as the sequence of digits

$$d_n d_{n-1} \dots d_2 d_1 d_0$$

where  $d$  is in  $\{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9\}$ ,

represents the value:

$$[d_n * 10^n] + [d_{n-1} * 10^{n-1}] + \dots + [d_2 * 10^2] + [d_1 * 10^1] + [d_0 * 10^0]$$

64025 =

$$6 * 10^4 + 4 * 10^3 + 0 * 10^2 + 2 * 10^1 + 5 * 10^0$$

$$60000 + 4000 + 0 + 20 + 5$$

## Binary: Base 2

Used by computers: Indicated by prefixing number with **0b**

A number, written as the sequence of digits in {0,1}

$$[d_n * 2^n] + [d_{n-1} * 2^{n-1}] + \dots + [d_2 * 2^2] + [d_1 * 2^1] + [d_0 * 2^0]$$

- 10101:  $1*2^4 + 0*2^3 + 1*2^2 + 0*2^1 + 1*2^0$   
 $= 16 + 0 + 4 + 0 + 1 = 21$

What is the value of 0x1B7 in decimal?

A. 397

B. 409

C. 419

D. 437

E. 439

$$[d_n * 16^n] + [d_{n-1} * 16^{n-1}] + \dots +$$

$$[d_2 * 16^2] + [d_1 * 16^1] + [d_0 * 16^0]$$

$$16^2 = 256$$

DEC	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
HEX	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F



# High-level Takeaway

- You can represent the same value in a variety of number systems / bases.
- It's **all** stored as binary in the computer.
  - Presence/absence of voltage.

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# Converting Decimal $\rightarrow$ Binary

- Two methods:
  - division by two remainder
  - powers of two and subtraction



# Method 1: decimal value $D$ , binary result $b$ ( $b_i$ is $i$ th bit):

## Example: Converting 105 from Binary to Decimal

idea:	$D$	example:	$D = 105$	$b_0 = 1$
	$D = D/2$		$D = 52$	$b_1 = 0$
	$D = D/2$		$D = 26$	$b_2 = 0$
	$D = D/2$		$D = 13$	$b_3 = 1$
	$D = D/2$		$D = 6$	$b_4 = 0$
	$D = D/2$		$D = 3$	$b_5 = 1$
	$D = D/2$		$D = 1$	$b_6 = 1$
	$D = 0$ (done)		$D = 0$	$b_7 = 0$

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i = 0
while (D > 0)
    if D is odd
        set  $b_i$  to 1
    if D is even
        set  $b_i$  to 0
    i++
    D = D/2
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105 = 01101001

## Method 2: Subtraction by powers of 2

- $2^0 = 1$ ,  $2^1 = 2$ ,  $2^2 = 4$ ,  $2^3 = 8$ ,  $2^4 = 16$ ,  $2^5 = 32$ ,  $2^6 = 64$ ,  $2^7 = 128$

To convert 105:

- Find largest power of two that's less than 105 (64)
- Subtract 64 ( $105 - 64 = \underline{41}$ ), put a 1 in  $d_6$
- Subtract 32 ( $41 - 32 = \underline{9}$ ), put a 1 in  $d_5$
- Skip 16, it's larger than 9, put a 0 in  $d_4$
- Subtract 8 ( $9 - 8 = \underline{1}$ ), put a 1 in  $d_3$
- Skip 4 and 2, put a 0 in  $d_2$  and  $d_1$
- Subtract 1 ( $1 - 1 = \underline{0}$ ), put a 1 in  $d_0$  (Done)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \frac{1}{d_6} & \frac{1}{d_5} & \frac{0}{d_4} & \frac{1}{d_3} & \frac{0}{d_2} & \frac{0}{d_1} & \frac{1}{d_0} \end{array}$$

What is the value of 357 in binary?

8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

→ digit position

A. 1 0110 0011

B. 1 0110 0101

C. 1 0110 1001

D. 1 0111 0101

E. 1 1010 0101

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$$357 - 256 = 101$$

$$101 - 64 = 37$$

$$37 - 32 = 5$$

$$5 - 4 = 1$$

$\frac{1}{d_8}$   $\frac{0}{d_7}$   $\frac{1}{d_6}$   $\frac{1}{d_5}$   $\frac{0}{d_4}$   $\frac{0}{d_3}$   $\frac{1}{d_2}$   $\frac{0}{d_1}$   $\frac{1}{d_0}$

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## So far: Unsigned Integers

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We can always add 0's to the front of a number without changing it:

10110 = 010110 = 00010110 = 0000010110

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With N bits, can represent values: 0 to  $2^n-1$

- 1 byte: char, unsigned char
- 2 bytes: short, unsigned short
- 4 bytes: int, unsigned int, float
- 8 bytes: long long, unsigned long long, double
- 4 or 8 bytes: long, unsigned long

# Unsigned Integers

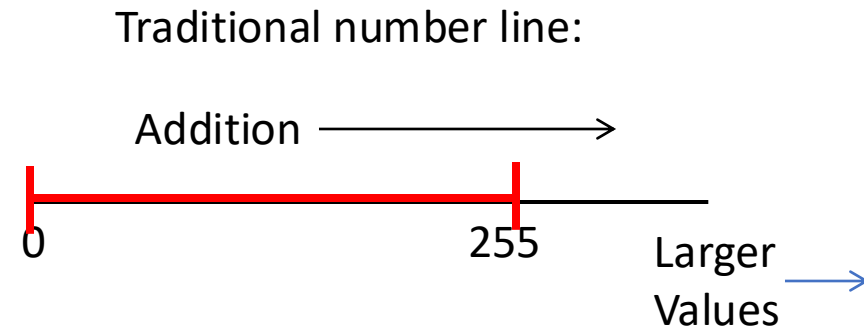
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Car odometer “rolls over”.



Any time we are dealing with a finite storage space we cannot represent an infinite number of values!



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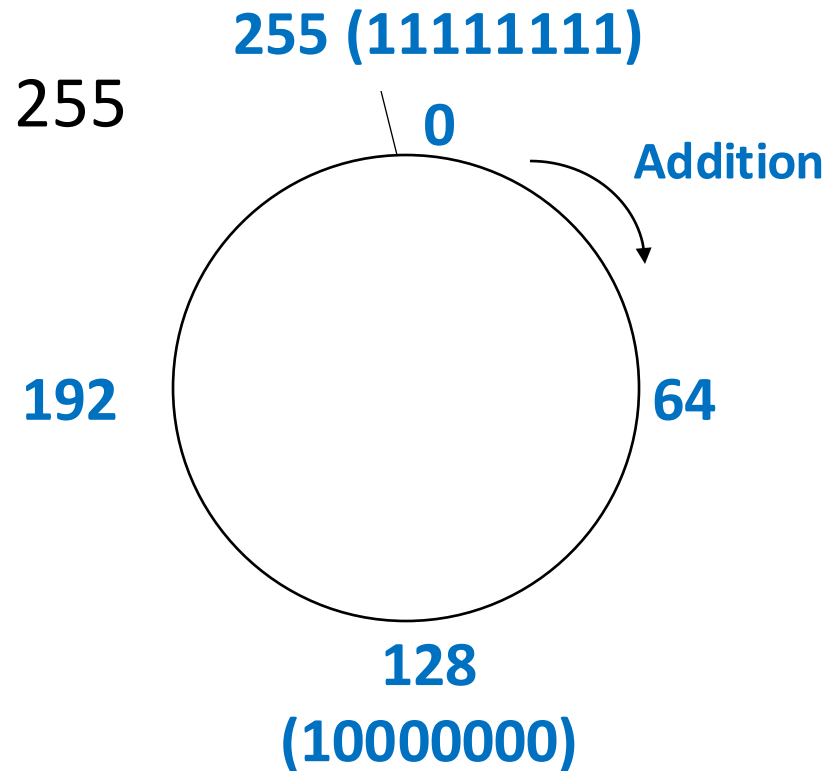
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Modular arithmetic: Here, all values are modulo 256.

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Works just like grade school addition

1. Add corresponding digits, starting with  $d_0$  digits
2. Carry if result is greater than or equal to the base

Let's try  $(6 + 4)$  in unsigned binary

$$6 = 0110 \quad (2^3 \times 0 + 2^2 \times 1 + 2^1 \times 1 + 2^0 \times 0)$$

$$4 = 0100 \quad (2^3 \times 0 + 2^2 \times 1 + 2^1 \times 0 + 2^0 \times 0)$$

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+ 0100	+ 4	+ 1010	+10
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1010	10	1 0110	6
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Four bits give us range: 0 - 15

Overflow!

Carry out is indicative of something having gone wrong when adding unsigned values

Let's try some more examples (note down if you get a carry out)

$$\begin{array}{r} 0100 \\ + 0100 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 4 \\ + 4 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 1111 \\ + 0001 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 15 \\ + 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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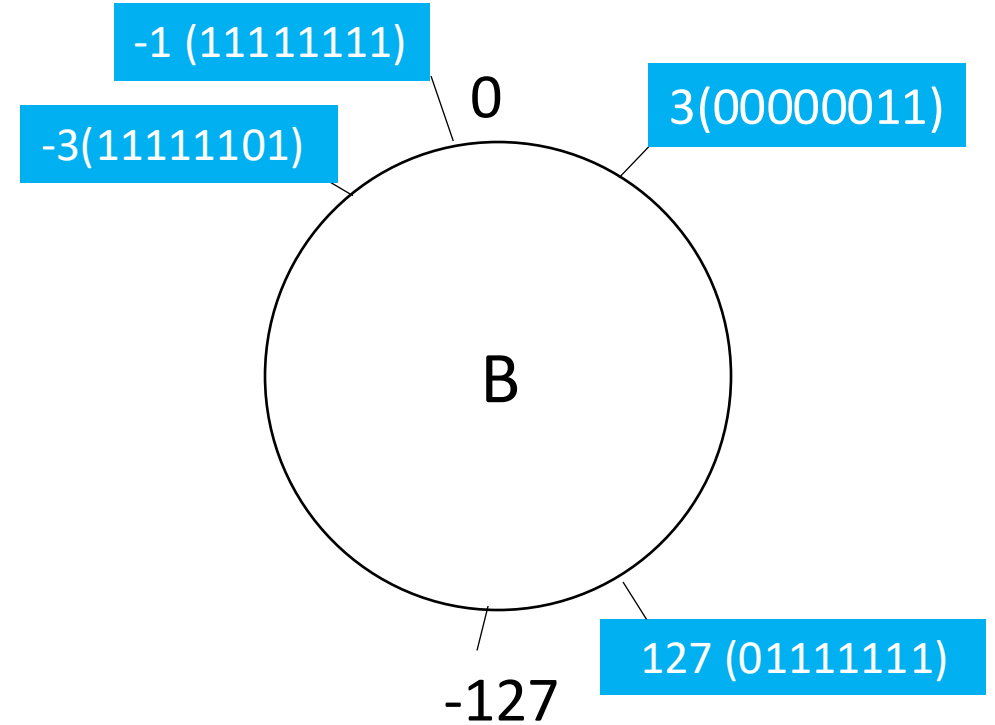
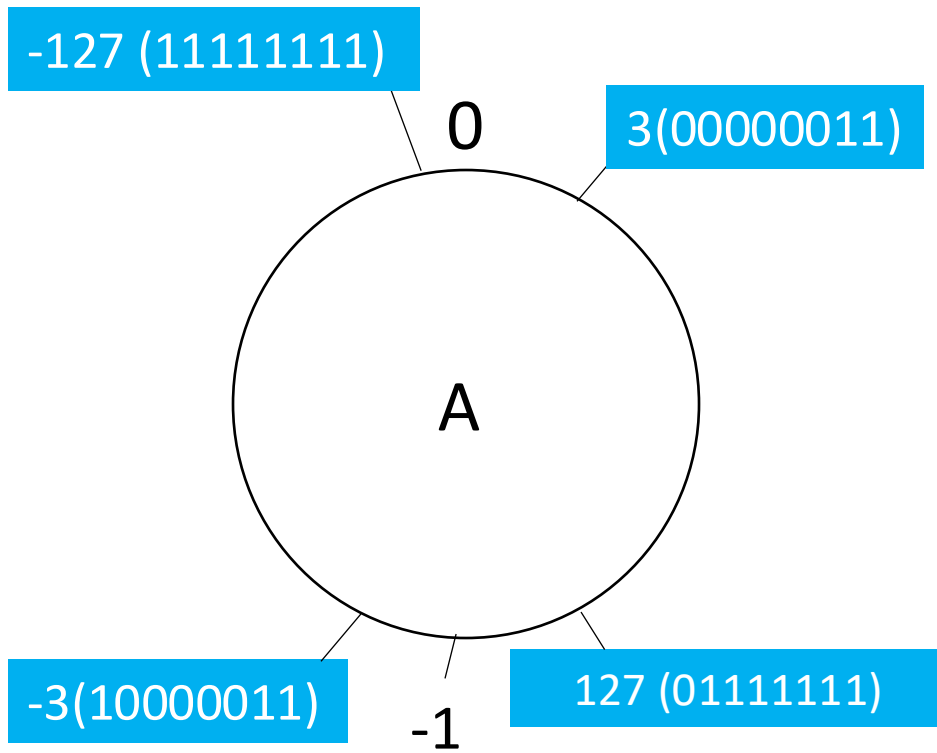
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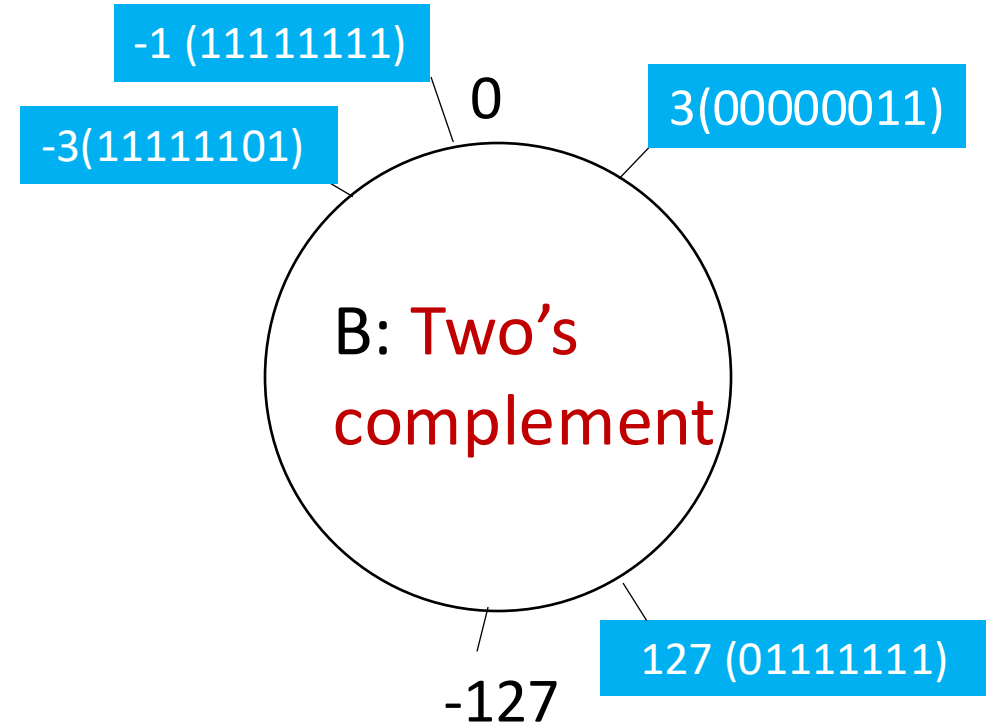
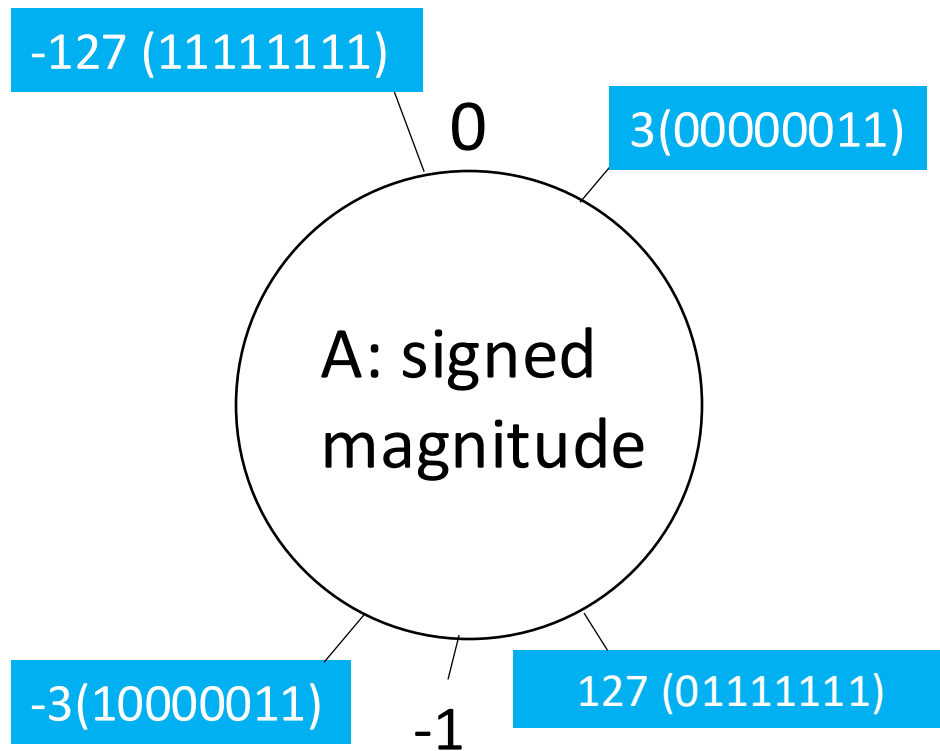
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# Two's Complement Representation (for four bit values)

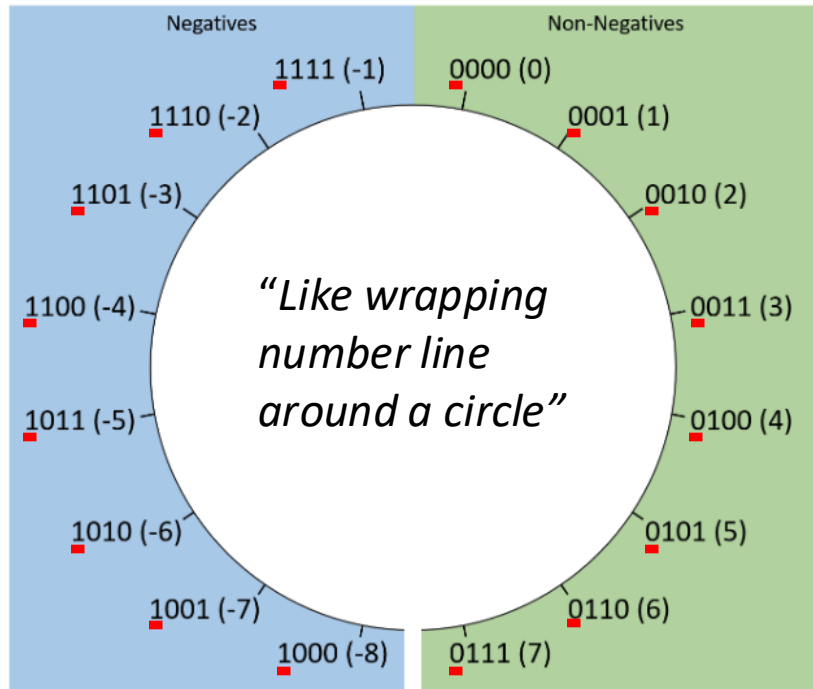
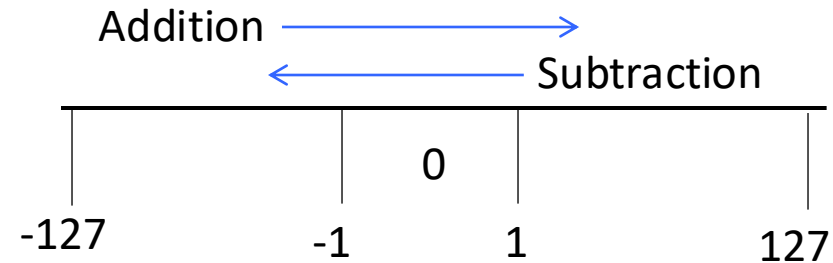


Figure 2. A logical layout of two's complement values for bit sequences of length four.

For an 8 bit range we can express 256 unique values:

- 128 non-negative values (0 to 127)
- 128 negative values (-1 to -128)

Borrow nice property from number line:



Only one instance of zero!

Implies: -1 and 1 on either side of it.

- Addition moves to the right
- Subtraction moves to the left.



# Two's Complement

- Only one value for zero
- Adding positive and negative just like unsigned addition

$$\begin{array}{r} 11111111 \quad (-1) \\ + \underline{00000001} \quad (1) \\ \hline 00000000 \quad (0) \end{array}$$

- With N bits, can represent the range:  
–  $-2^{N-1}$  to  $2^{N-1} - 1$
- Most significant (first) bit still designates positive (0) /negative (1)
- Negating a value is slightly more complicated:  
 $1 = \underline{0}0000001, \quad -1 = \underline{1}1111111$

From now on, unless we explicitly say otherwise, we'll assume all integers are stored using two's complement! This is the standard!

# Two's Complement

Each two's complement number is now:

$$[-2^{n-1} * d_{n-1}] + [2^{n-2} * d_{n-2}] + \dots + [2^1 * d_1] + [2^0 * d_0]$$



Note the negative sign on just on the higher-order bit.

High-order bit is the sign-bit: encodes if number is negative or positive

(The other digits are unchanged and carry the same meaning as unsigned.)

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- B. -7
- C. -9
- D. -25

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## “If we interpret...”

- What is the decimal value of 1100?
- ...as unsigned, 4-bit value: 12 (%u)
- ...as signed (two's complement), 4-bit value: -4 (%d)
- ...as an 8-bit value: 12  
(i.e., **00001100**)

## Let's try some more examples

High order bit is the sign bit, otherwise just like unsigned conversion. 4-bit and 8-bit examples:

4 bit numbers (4<sup>th</sup> bit is the sign bit)

0110

1110

8 bit numbers (8<sup>th</sup> bit is the sign bit)

00001010

11111111



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$$0110 = -2^3 \times 0 + 2^2 \times 1 + 2^1 \times 1 + 2^0 \times 0 = 6$$

$$1110 = -2^3 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 1 + 2^1 \times 1 + 2^0 \times 0 = -2$$

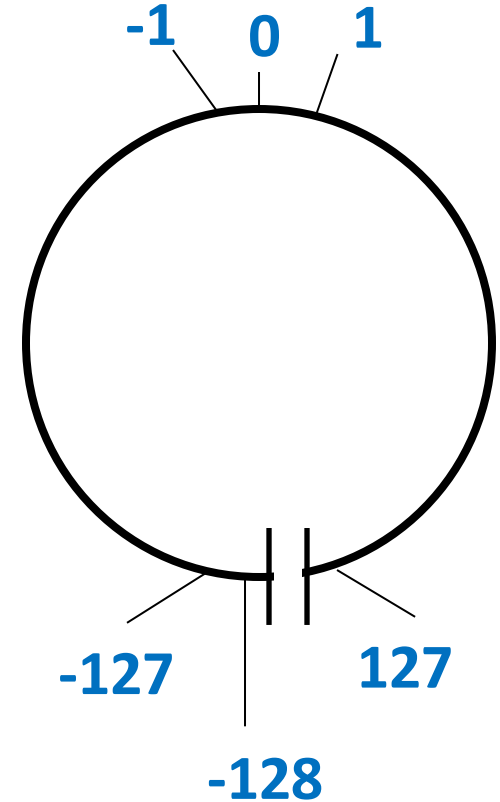
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$$\begin{aligned} 00001010 = & -2^7 \times 0 + 2^6 \times 0 + 2^5 \times 0 + 2^4 \times 0 \\ & + 2^3 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 0 + 2^1 \times 1 + 2^0 \times 0 = 10 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 11111111 = & -2^7 \times 1 + 2^6 \times 1 + 2^5 \times 1 + 2^4 \times 1 \\ & + 2^3 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 1 + 2^1 \times 1 + 2^0 \times 1 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

# Two's Complement Negation

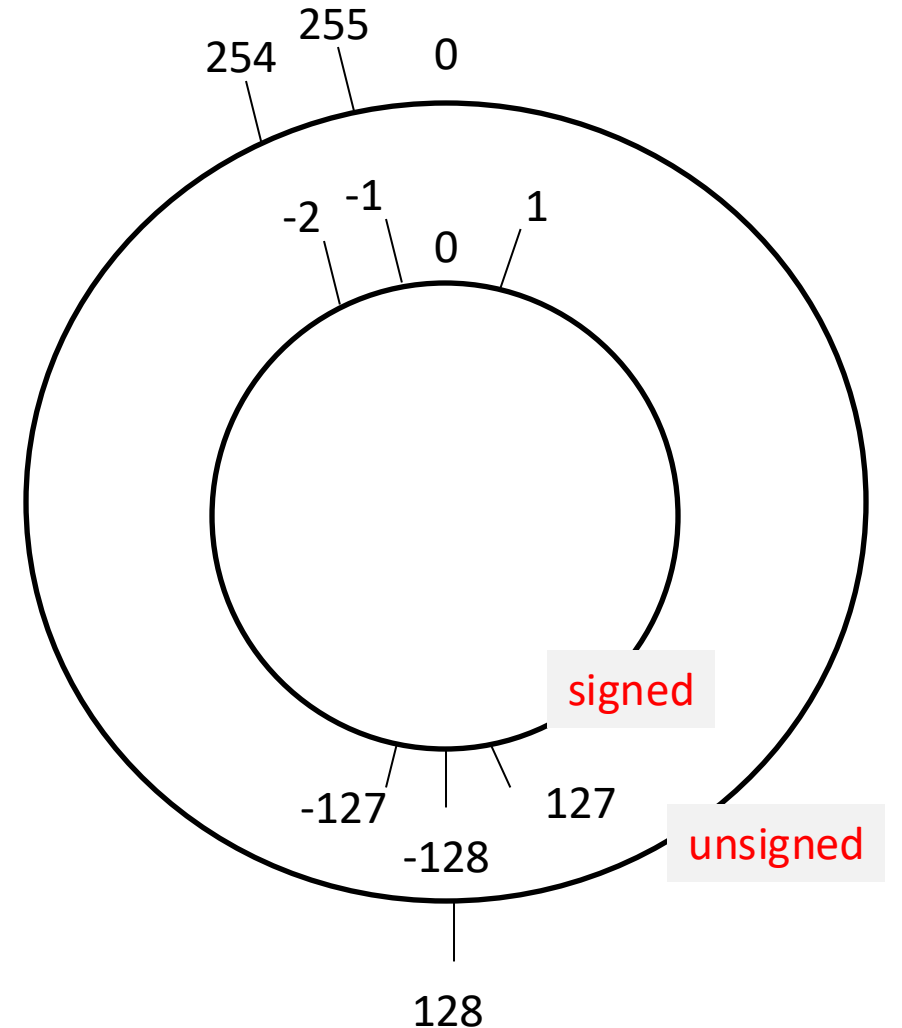
- To negate a value  $x$ , we want to find  $y$  such that  $x + y = 0$ .
- For  $N$  bits,  $y = 2^N - x$



# Negation Example (8 bits)

- For N bits,  $y = 2^N - x$
- Negate 00000010 (2)
  - $2^8 - 2 = 256 - 2 = 254$
- Our wheel only goes to 127!
  - Put -2 where 254 would be if wheel was unsigned.
  - 254 in binary is 11111110

Given 11111110, it's 254 if interpreted as unsigned and -2 interpreted as signed.



# Negation Shortcut

- A much **easier, faster** way to negate:
  - Flip the bits (0's become 1's, 1's become 0's)
  - Add 1
- Negate 00101110 (46)
  - $2^8 - 46 = 256 - 46 = 210$
  - 210 in binary is 11010010

46:	00101110
Flip the bits:	11010001
Add 1	<hr/>
<u>+ 1</u>	
<b>-46:</b>	<b>11010010</b>

# Negation Two Ways

4-bit Examples			
x	-x	$2^4 - x$	Bit flip + 1
0000	0000	$10000 - 0000 = 0000$	$1111 + 1 = 0000$
0001	1111	$10000 - 0001 = 1111$	$1110 + 1 = 1111$
0010	110	$10000 - 0010 = 1110$	$1101 + 1 = 1110$
0111	1001	$10000 - 0111 = 1001$	$1000 + 1 = 1001$

# Decimal to Two's Complement with 8-bit values

(high-order bit is the sign bit)

For positive values, use same algorithm as unsigned

For example, 6:  $6 - 4 = 2$  ( $4:2^2$ )

$2 - 2 = 0$  ( $2:2^1$ ): 00000110

For negative values:

1. convert the equivalent positive value to binary
2. then negate binary to get the negative representation

For example, -3:

3: 00000011

negate:  $11111100+1 = 11111101 = -3$

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- A. 11111001
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B. 00000111

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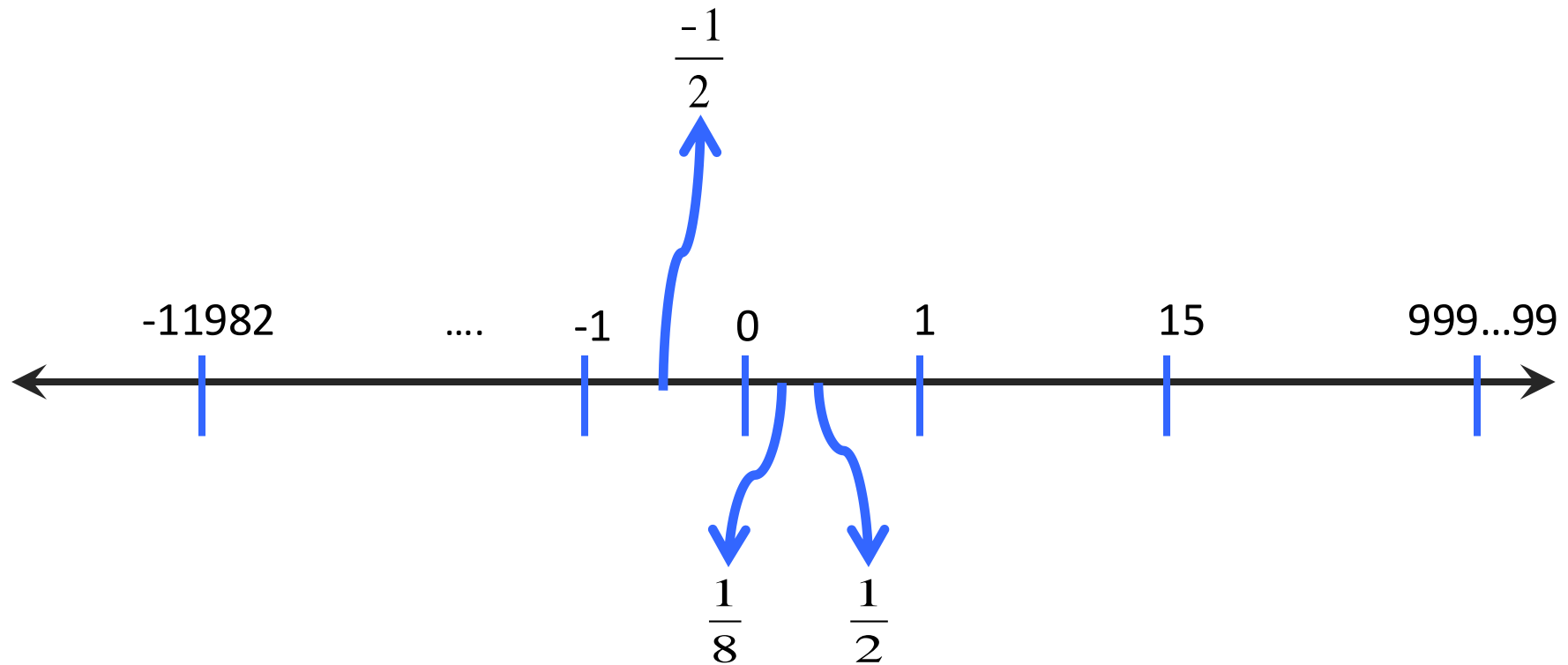
-7 = (1) 7: 00000111

(2) negate: 11111000 + 1 = 11111001



# Additional Info: Fractional binary numbers

How do we represent fractions in binary?



# Additional Info: Floating Point Representation

1 bit for sign      sign | exponent | fraction |

8 bits for exponent

23 bits for precision

$$\text{value} = (-1)^{\text{sign}} * 1.\text{fraction} * 2^{(\text{exponent}-127)}$$

let's just plug in some values and try it out

0x40ac49ba: 0 10000001      01011000100100110111010

sign = 0 exp = 129      fraction = 2902458

$$= 1 * 1.2902458 * 2^2 = 5.16098$$

You are not expected to memorize this

# Summary

- Images, Word Documents, Code, and Video can be represented in bits.
- Byte or 8 bits is the smallest addressable unit
- N bits can represent  $2^N$  unique values
- A number is written as a sequence of digits: in the decimal base system
  - $[d_n * 10^n] + [d_{n-1} * 10^{n-1}] + \dots + [d_2 * 10^2] + [d_1 * 10^1] + [d_0 * 10^0]$
  - For any base system:
    - $[d_n * b^n] + [d_{n-1} * b^{n-1}] + \dots + [d_2 * b^2] + [d_1 * b^1] + [d_0 * b^0]$
- Hexadecimal values (represent 16 values): {0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F}
  - Each hexadecimal value can be represented by 4 bits. ( $2^4=16$ )
- A finite storage space we cannot represent an infinite number of values. For e.g., the max unsigned 8 bit value is 255.
  - Trying to represent a value >255 will result in an overflow.
- Two's Complement Representation: 128 non-negative values (0 to 127), and 128 negative values (-1 to -128).

# Aside: Signed Magnitude Representation (for 4 bit values)

- One bit (usually left-most) signals:
  - 0 for positive
  - 1 for negative

For one byte:

1 = 00000001, -1 = 10000001

Pros: Negation (negative value of a number) is very simple!

For one byte:

0 = 00000000

What about 10000000?

Major con: Two ways to represent zero!