

CS 31: Introduction to Computer Systems

03: Binary Arithmetic and Introduction to C

01-28-2025



Announcements

- Register your clicker! <https://forms.gle/YBFvNWPTXgiySMHx5>
- Reading quizzes count from this week!
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- HW 1 is out! – [New Due Date is Monday Feb 3rd](#)
- Please give me your accommodation forms this week

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
vote status light will indicate success

What we will learn this week

1. Operations on binary data (continued from last week)

- 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

2. Introduction to C

- Comparison of C vs. Python
- Basics of C programming
- Data organization and strings

What is a computer system?

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

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

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

Two's Complement Representation (for four bit values)

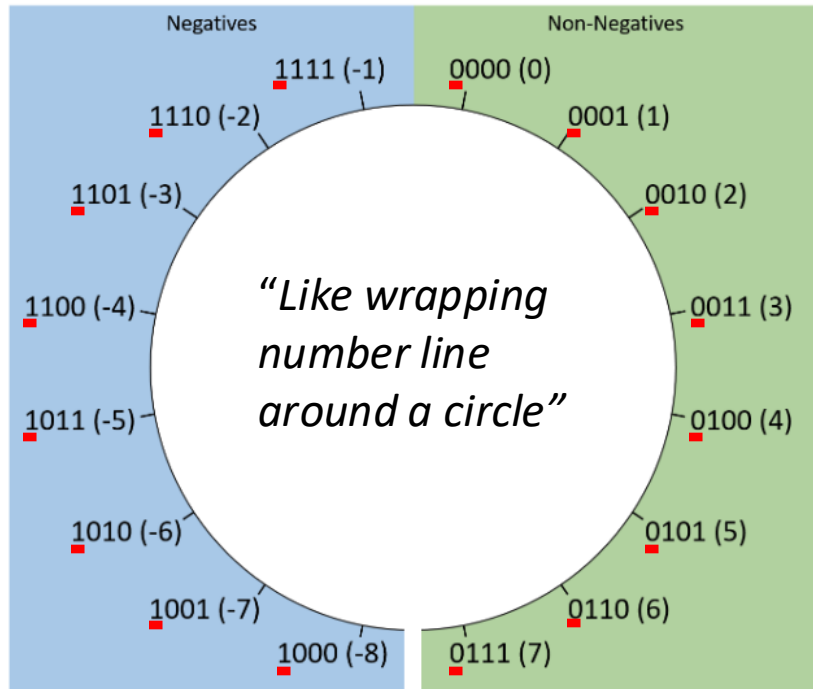
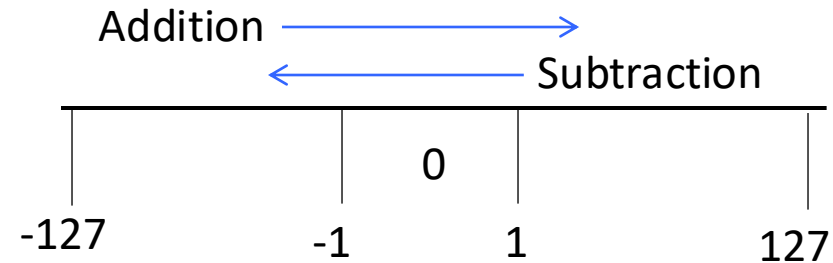


Figure 2. A logical layout of two's complement values for bit sequences of length four.

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.



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 (4th bit is the sign bit)

0110

1110

8 bit numbers (8th bit is the sign bit)

00001010

11111111

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4 bit numbers (4th bit is the sign bit)

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

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

8 bit numbers (8th bit is the sign bit)

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

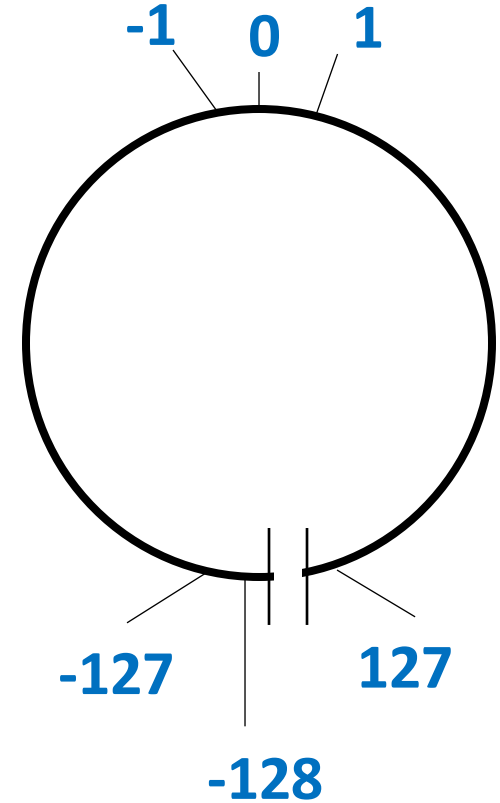
$$\begin{aligned} 11111111 = & -2^7 \times 1 + 2^6 \times 1 + 2^5 \times 1 + 2^4 \times 1 \\ & + 2^3 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 1 + 2^1 \times 1 + 2^0 \times 1 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

“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**)

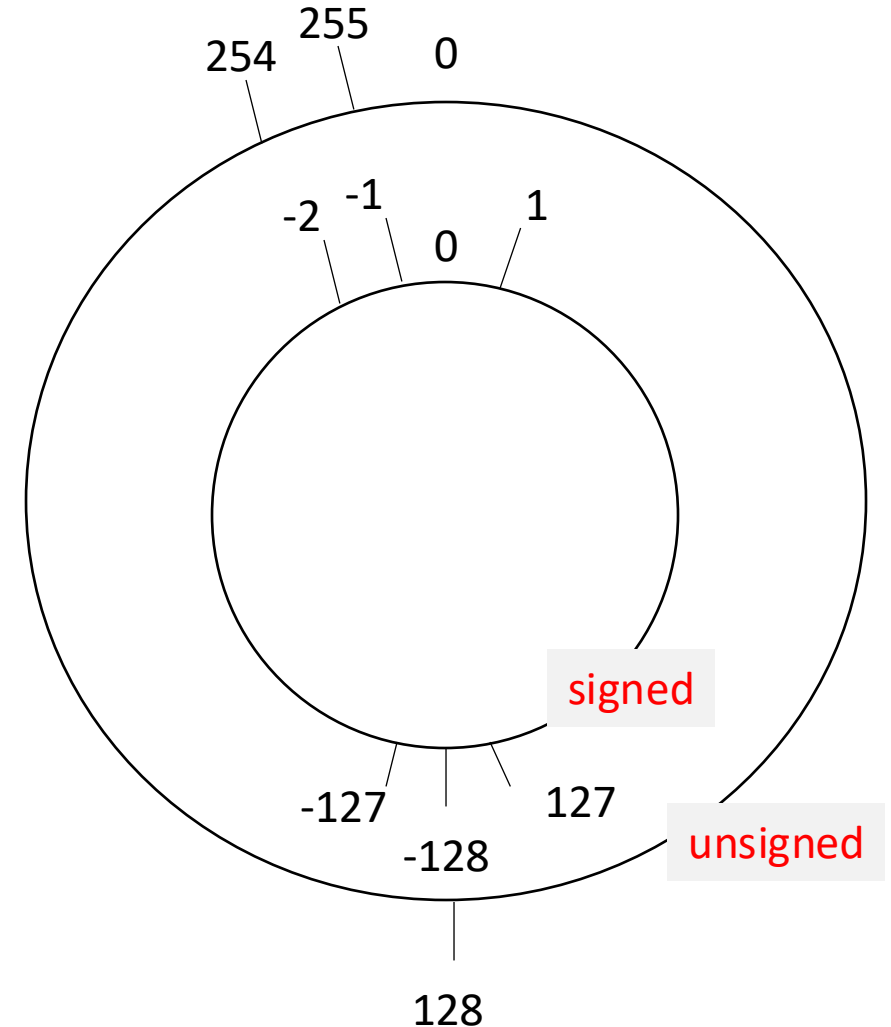
Two's Complement Negation

- 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 unsigned binary is 11010010 = -46

46: 00101110

Flip the bits: 11010001

Add 1

+ 1

-46:

11010010

Negation Summary: 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: $11111100+1 = 11111101 = -3$

What is the 8-bit, two's complement representation for -7?

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- A. 11111001
- B. 00000111
- C. 11111000
- D. 11110011

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-7 = (1) 7: 00000111

(2) negate: 11111000 + 1 = 11111001

Addition & Subtraction

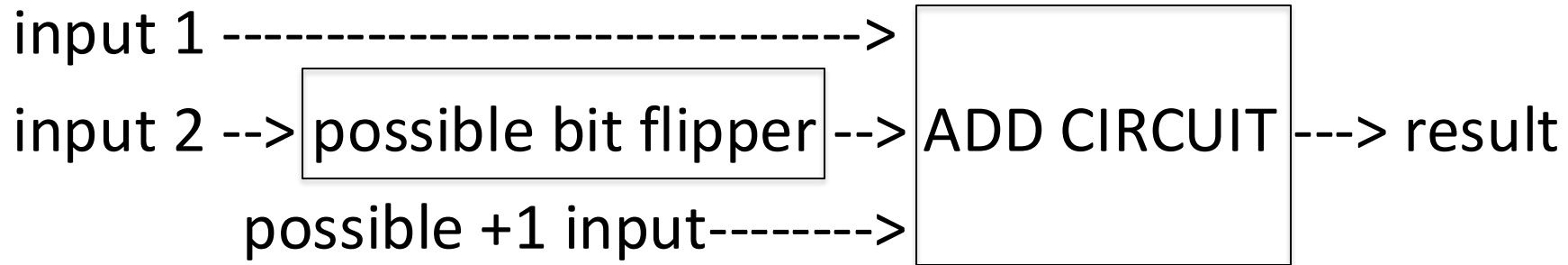
- Addition is the same as for unsigned
 - One exception: **different rules for overflow**
 - Can use the same hardware for both
- Subtraction is the same operation as addition
 - Just need to **negate the second operand...**
- $6 - 7 = 6 + (-7) = 6 + (\sim 7 + 1)$
 - ~ 7 is shorthand for “flip the bits of 7”

Subtraction Hardware

Negate and add 1 to second operand:

Can use the same circuit for add and subtract:

$$6 - 7 == 6 + \sim 7 + 1$$



↑
Let's call this possible +1 input: "Carry in"
(0: on add, 1: on subtract)

4-bit signed Examples:

Subtraction via Addition:

– $a-b$ is same as $a + \sim b + 1$

Subtraction: flip bits and add 1

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 - 6 = 0011 \\ \quad \quad \quad \color{red}{1001} \quad \quad (6: 0110 \quad \sim 6: 1001) \\ + \quad \quad \quad \color{red}{\underline{1}} \\ \hline 1101 = -3 \end{array}$$

Addition:

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 + -6 = 0011 \\ \quad \quad \quad + \quad \color{red}{\underline{1010}} \\ \hline 1101 = -3 \end{array}$$

Signed & Unsigned 4-bit Subtraction:

Unsigned subtraction: flip bits and add 1

$$13 - 1 =$$

Signed subtraction: flip bits and add 1

$$-3 - 1 =$$

A. 1100 & 1100

B. 1100 & 1010

C. 1010 & 1010

D. 1001 & 1100

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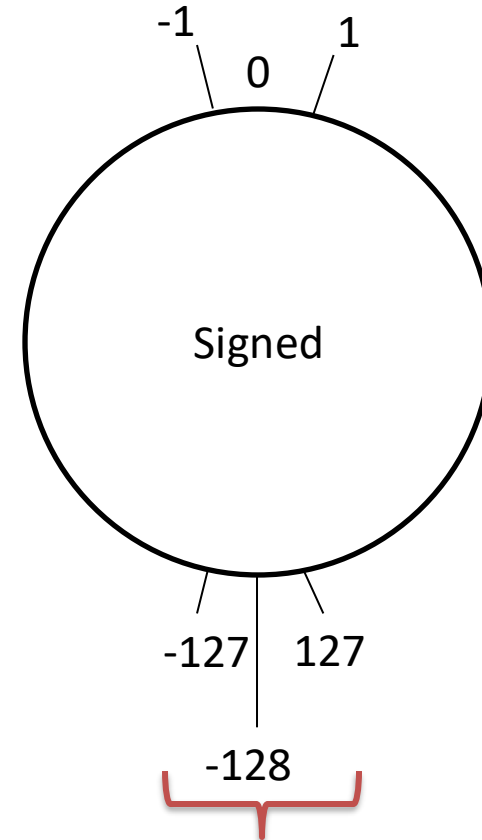
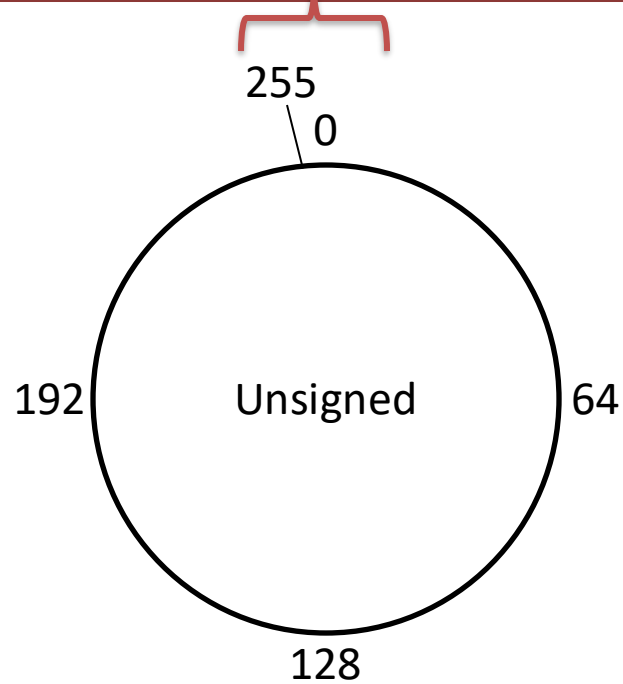
$$\begin{array}{r} 13 - 1 = 1101 \\ \quad \quad \quad 1110 \quad (1: 0001 \quad \sim 1: 1110) \\ \quad \quad \quad + \quad \underline{1} \\ 1 \quad \quad \quad 1100 = 12 \end{array}$$

Signed subtraction: flip bits and add 1

$$\begin{array}{r} -3 - 1 = 1101 \\ \quad \quad \quad 1110 \\ \quad \quad \quad + \quad \underline{1} \\ 1 \quad \quad \quad 1100 = -4 \end{array}$$

Overflow, Revisited

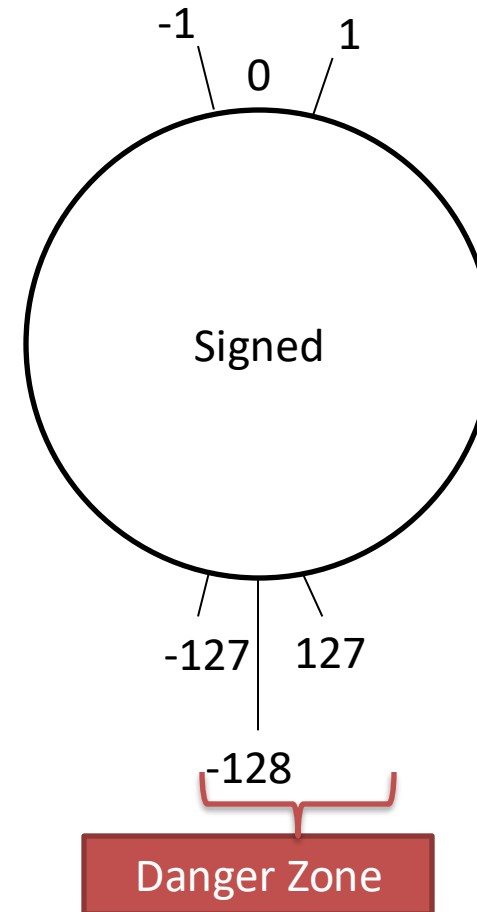
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Danger Zone: adding two large negative values

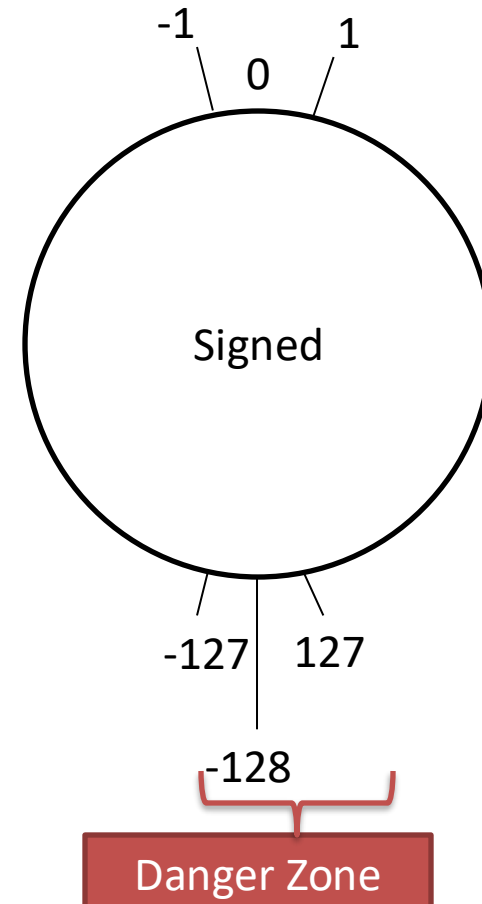
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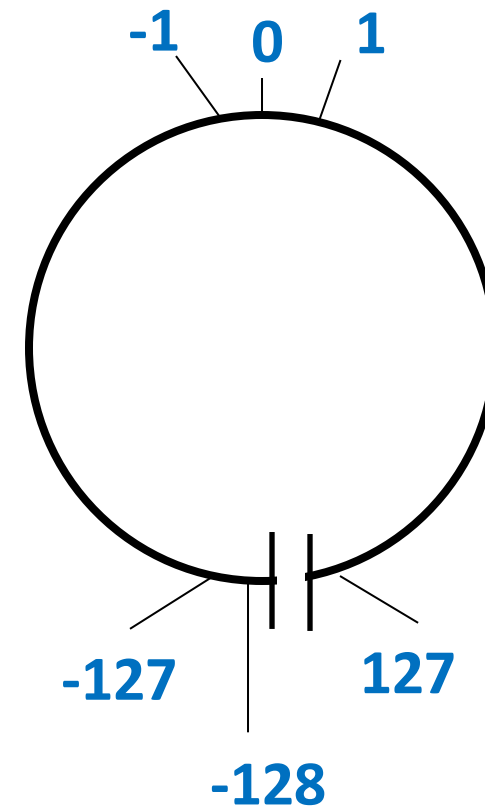


Two's Complement Overflow For Addition

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- Not enough bits to store result!

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no overflow	
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0011	1110
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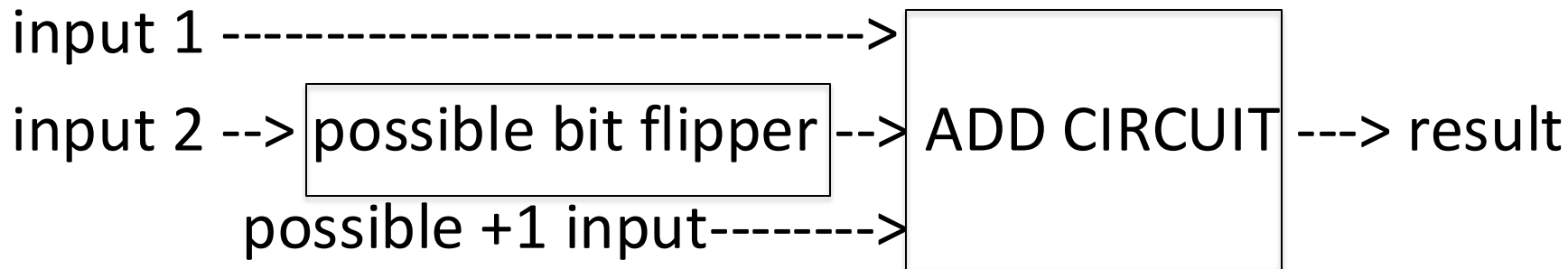
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$+0111$	$+1000$
1011	$1\ 0010$

Recall: Subtraction Hardware

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Let's call this possible +1 input: "Carry in"
(0: on add, 1: on subtract)

How many of these unsigned operations have overflowed?

Interpret these as 4-bit unsigned values (valid range 0 to 15):

Addition (carry-in = 0)

						carry-in	carry-out
9	+	11	=	1001	+	1011	+ 0 = 1 0100
9	+	6	=	1001	+	0110	+ 0 = 0 1111
3	+	6	=	0011	+	0110	+ 0 = 0 1001

Subtraction (carry-in = 1)

6	-	3	=	0110	+	$\overbrace{1100}^{(-3)}$	+ 1 = 1 0011
3	-	6	=	0011	+	$\underbrace{1001}_{(-6)}$	+ 1 = 0 1101

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4
- E. 5

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					↓	↓			
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9	+	6	=	1001	+	0110	+	0 = 0	1111 = 15
3	+	6	=	0011	+	0110	+	0 = 0	1001 = 9

Subtraction (carry-in = 1)

6	-	3	=	0110	+	$\overbrace{1100}^{(-3)}$	+	1 = 1	0011 = 3
3	-	6	=	0011	+	$\underbrace{1001}_{(-6)}$	+	1 = 0	1101 = 13

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Subtraction (carry-in = 1)

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 - 3 = 0110 + \overbrace{1100}^{(-3)} + 1 = 1 \ 0011 = 3 \\ 3 - 6 = 0011 + \underbrace{1001}_{(-6)} + 1 = 0 \ 1101 = 13 \end{array}$$

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Overflow Rule Summary

Unsigned: overflow

- The **carry-in bit is different** from the carry-out.

C_{in}	C_{out}	C_{in}	XOR	C_{out}
0	0		0	
0	1		1	
1	0		1	
1	1		0	

Two's Complement Overflow For Subtraction

Subtraction Overflow Rules Summarized:

- Overflow occurs IFF the sign bits of the subtraction operands are different, and the sign bit of the Result and Subtrahend are **the same** as shown below:
 - Minuend - Subtrahend = Result
 - If positive – negative = negative (overflow)
 - If negative – positive = positive (overflow)

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Two's Complement Overflow For Subtraction

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Subtrahend and Result have different sign bits

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$-2 - (3) = -5$ $\begin{array}{r} 1110 \\ -0011 \\ \hline 1110 \\ +1101 \\ \hline 1 \underline{1}011 \end{array}$	$-3 - (4) = -7$ $\begin{array}{r} 1101 \\ -0100 \\ \hline 1101 \\ +1100 \\ \hline 1 \underline{1}001 \end{array}$
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overflow

$-2 - (7) = -9$ $\begin{array}{r} 1110 \\ -0111 \\ \hline 1110 \\ +1001 \\ \hline 1 \underline{0}111 \end{array}$	$-4 - (7) = -11$ $\begin{array}{r} 1100 \\ -0111 \\ \hline 1100 \\ +0111 \\ \hline 1 \underline{0}011 \end{array}$
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★ Overflow Rule Summary ★

- Signed overflow:
 - The sign bits of operands are the same, but the **sign bit of result is different.**
- Unsigned: overflow
 - The **carry-in bit is different** from the carry-out.

C_{in}	C_{out}	C_{in}	XOR	C_{out}
0	0		0	
0	1		1	
1	0		1	
1	1		0	

So far, all arithmetic on values that were the same size. What if they're different?

Sign Extension

When combining signed values of different sizes, expand the smaller value to equivalent larger size:

```
char y = 2, x = -13;  
short z = 10;
```

```
z = z + y;
```

```
00000000000001010  
+      00000010  
0000000000000010
```

```
z = z + x;
```

```
00000000000000101  
+      11110011  
1111111111110011
```

Fill in **high-order bits** with **sign-bit** value to get same numeric value in larger number of bytes.

Let's verify that this works

4-bit signed value, sign extend to 8-bits, is it the same value?

0111 ---> 0000 0111 obviously still 7

1010 ---> 1111 1010 is this still -6?

$$-128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 0 + 2 + 0 = -6 \quad \text{yes!}$$

Operations on Bits

- For these, it doesn't matter how the bits are interpreted (signed vs. unsigned)
- Bit-wise operators (AND, OR, NOT, XOR)
- Bit shifting

Bit-wise Operators

- Bit operands, Bit result (interpret as appropriate for the context)

& (AND) | (OR) ~(NOT) ^(XOR)

A	B	A & B	A B	~A	A ^ B
0	0	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0	0

01101010	01010101	10101010	<u>~10101111</u>
& <u>10111011</u>	<u>00100001</u>	^ <u>01101001</u>	01010000
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More Operations on Bits (Shifting)

Bit-shift operators: << left shift, >> right shift

```
01010101 << 2 is 01010100
                2 high-order bits shifted out
                2 low-order bits filled with 0
```

```
01101010 << 4 is 10100000
```

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01010101 >> 2 is 00010101
```

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01101010 >> 4 is 00000110
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10101100 >> 2 is 00101011 (logical shift)
                or 11101011 (arithmetic shift)
```

Arithmetic right shift: fills high-order bits w/sign bit

C automatically decides which to use based on type: signed: arithmetic, unsigned: logical

Try some 4-bit examples:

bit-wise operations:

- $0101 \& 1101$
- $0101 | 1101$

Logical (unsigned) bit shift:

- $1010 \ll 2$
- $1010 \gg 2$

Arithmetic (signed) bit shift:

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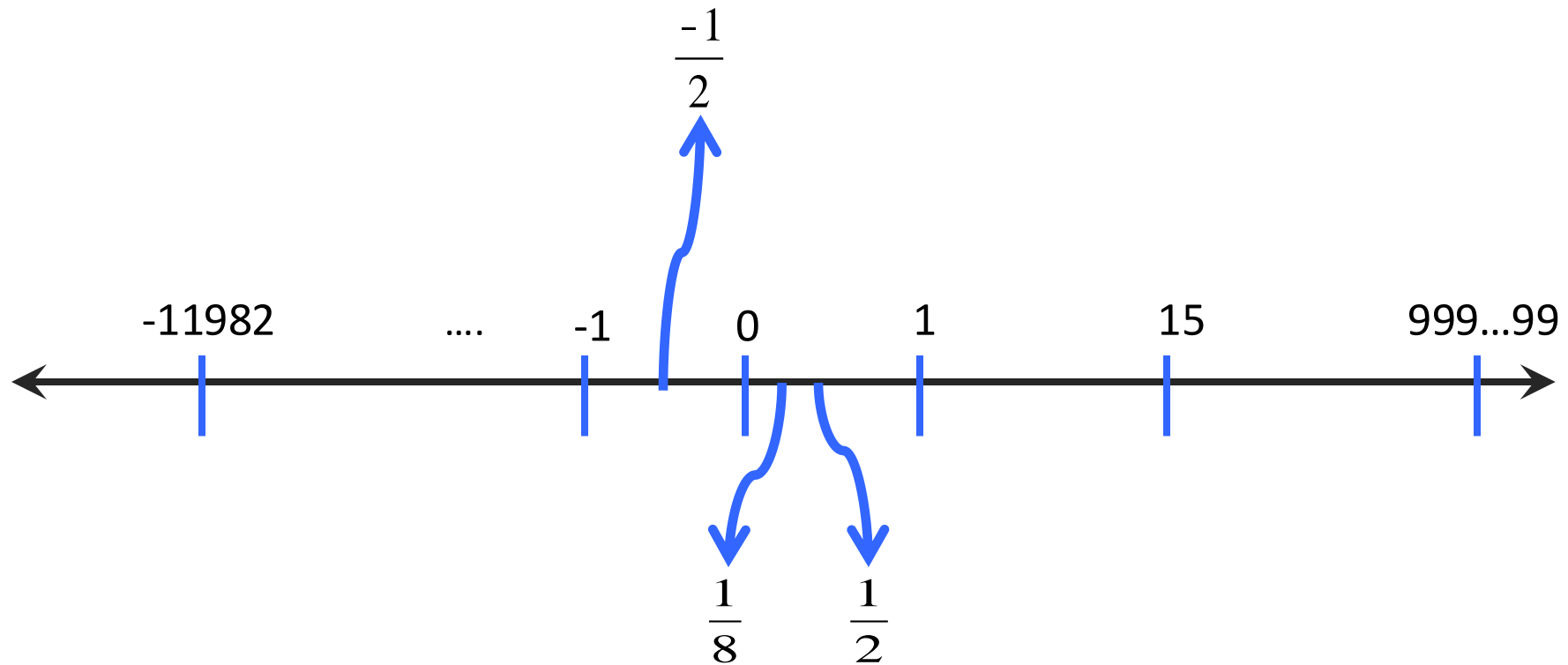
- $1010 \ll 2 = 1000$
- $1010 \gg 2 = 0010$

Arithmetic (signed) bit shift:

- $1010 \ll 2 = 1000$
- $1010 \gg 2 = 1110$

Additional Info: (not assessable) Fractional binary numbers

How do we represent fractions in binary?



Additional Info: (not assessable) 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

$$\begin{aligned} 0x40ac49ba: & \quad 0 \ 10000001 \quad 01011000100100110111010 \\ & \quad \text{sign} = 0 \ \text{exp} = 129 \quad \text{fraction} = 2902458 \\ & \quad = 1 * 1.2902458 * 2^2 = 5.16098 \end{aligned}$$

You're 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).