Recitation 2: A Bit About Bytes

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Converting between binary and decimal

To easily convert a number represented in binary notation, such as $10100_{[2]}$, we can employ *Horner's algorithm*. At each step, we multiply the previous result by 2, and add the next bit in the number. To convert in the other direction, we divide by 2 and write the remainder at each step from bottom to top. We can see the conversion between $10100_{[2]}$ and 20 (or $20_{[10]}$ to be extra-decimaly) below.

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$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \times 2 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} 1$	× 2 + =	× 2 + =
$\underline{1} \times 2 + \underline{0} = \underline{2}$	× 2 + =	× 2 + =
$\underline{} 2 \times 2 + \underline{} 1 = \underline{} 5$	× 2 + =	× 2 + =
$_{\underline{}}$ 5 \times 2 + $_{\underline{}}$ 0 $_{\underline{}}$ = $_{\underline{}}$ 10	× 2 + =	× 2 + =
$10 \times 2 + 0 = 20$	× 2 + =	× 2 + =

Checkpoint 0

What is the decimal representation of $1111010_{[2]}$?

What is the binary representation of $49_{[10]}$?

Hexadecimal notation

Hex is useful because every hex digit corresponds to exactly 4 binary digits (bits). Base 8 (octal) is similarly useful: each octal digit corresponds to exactly 3 bits. However, hex more evenly divides up a 32-bit integer. In C0 we indicate we are using base 16 with an 0x prefix, so $7f2c_{[16]}$ is 0x7f2c.

$_{\mathrm{Hex}}$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
Bin.	0000	0001	0010	0011	0100	0101	0110	0111	1000	1001	1010	1011	1100	1101	1110	1111
Dec.	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

Convert the binary number 10111111010101101_[2] to hex.

Convert the hexadecimal number 0x20 to decimal.

Why wouldn't it make sense to write a C0 function that converts hex numbers to decimal numbers?

Bit manipulation

and		or		xor	(ex	clusive or)	(comple	ment
& 1 (1	0	^	1	0	-	- 1	0
1 1 0	$\overline{}$ $\overline{}$ $\overline{}$	1	<u> </u>	1	0	1	_		1
0 0 0	$\overline{0}$ $\overline{0}$	1	0	0	1	0			

There are also shift operators. They take a number and shift it left (or right) by the specified number of bits. In C0, right shifts *sign extend*. This means that if the first digit was a 1, then 1s will be copied in as we shift.

 $1101\ 1111\ 0101\ 0010_{[2]} >> 8 = \mathbf{1111}\ \mathbf{1111}\ 1101\ 1111_{[2]}$

Checkpoint 1

What does $(0001\ 0101_{[2]}\ \&\ 0011\ 0101_{[2]})\ |\ (1010\ 1010_{[2]}\ ^{\circ}\ 0001\ 1110_{[2]})\ evaluate to?$

What does $(5_{[10]} | 13_{[10]}) \land (28_{[10]} \& 10_{[10]})$ evaluate to?

What is the difference between logical and bitwise operators?

Two's complement

Because C0's **int** type only represents integers in the range $[-2^{31}, 2^{31})$, addition and multiplication are defined in terms of modular arithmetic. As a result, adding two positive numbers may give you a negative number!

Checkpoint 2

Write a function that returns 1 if the sign bit is 1, and 0 otherwise. That is, write a function that returns the sign bit shifted to be the least significant bit. Your solution can use any of the bitwise operators, but will not need all of them.

```
int getSignBit(int x)
//@ensures \result == 0 || \result == 1;

return
}
```

Checkpoint 3

What assertion would you need to write to ensure that an addition would give a result without overflowing (in other words, to ensure that the result you get in C0 is the same as the result you get with true integer arithmetic).

```
int safe_add(int a, int b)
/*@requires

@*/
{ return a + b; }
```

What about multiplication? For simplicity, you can assume both numbers are non-negative.

```
int safe_mult(int a, int b)
/*@requires a >= 0 && b >= 0 &&
@*/
{ return a * b; }
```

ARGB representation of color

In C0 we use 32-bit **int**s to represent a single integer. However, it's possible to use the bits in other ways: as 32 separate Boolean values or as 4 separate 8-bit numbers in the range [0, 255]. This lets us represent a color (red, green, and blue intensities, plus transparency or "alpha") as an **int**:

Sample Length:		8									8								8								8								
Channel Membership:	Alpha							Red							Green								Blue												
Bit Number:	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0			