# **CS222: Computer Architecture**

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#### Number Systems

- Numbers we can represent using binary representations
  - Positive numbers
    - Unsigned binary
  - Negative numbers
    - Two's complement
    - Sign/magnitude numbers





#### Numbers with Fractions

- Two common notations:
  - Fixed-point: binary point fixed
  - Floating-point: binary point floats to the right of the most significant 1



#### **Fixed-Point Numbers**

• 6.75 using 4 integer bits and 4 fraction bits:

01101100 0110.1100  $2^{2} + 2^{1} + 2^{-1} + 2^{-2} = 6.75$ 

- Binary point is implied
- The number of integer and fraction bits must be agreed upon beforehand



#### Fixed-Point Number Example

• Represent  $7.5_{10}$  using 4 integer bits and 4 fraction bits.



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01111000



#### Signed Fixed-Point Numbers

- Representations:
  - Sign/magnitude
  - Two's complement
- Example: Represent -7.5<sub>10</sub> using 4 integer and 4 fraction bits
  - Sign/magnitude:
  - Two's complement:



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#### Signed Fixed-Point Numbers

- Representations:
  - Sign/magnitude
  - Two's complement
- Example: Represent -7.5<sub>10</sub> using 4 integer and 4 fraction bits
  - Sign/magnitude:
    - 11111000
  - Two's complement:

1. +7.5:	011110	000
2. Invert bits:	10000	111
3. Add 1 to 1sb:	+	1
	10001000	



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# **Floating-Point Numbers**

- Binary point floats to the right of the most significant 1
- Similar to decimal scientific notation
- For example, write  $273_{10}$  in scientific notation:  $273 = 2.73 \times 10^2$
- In general, a number is written in scientific notation as:  $\pm \mathbf{M} \times \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{E}}$ 
  - **M** = mantissa
  - $-\mathbf{B} = base$
  - $-\mathbf{E} = exponent$
  - In the example, M = 2.73, B = 10, and E = 2



#### Floating-Point Numbers



• **Example:** represent the value  $228_{10}$  using a 32-bit floating point representation

We show three versions –final version is called the **IEEE 754 floating-point standard** 



#### **Floating-Point Representation 1**

1. Convert decimal to binary (don't reverse steps 1 & 2!):

 $\mathbf{228}_{10} = \mathbf{11100100}_2$ 

2. Write the number in "binary scientific notation":

 $11100100_2 = 1.11001_2 \times 2^7$ 

- 3. Fill in each field of the 32-bit floating point number:
  - The sign bit is positive (0)
  - The 8 exponent bits represent the value 7
  - The remaining 23 bits are the mantissa

Sign	Exponent	Mantissa	
0	00000111	11 1001 0000 0000 0000 0000	
1 bit	8 bits	23 bits	



#### **Floating-Point Representation 2**

- First bit of the mantissa is always 1:
  - $228_{10} = 11100100_2 = 1.11001 \times 2^7$
- So, no need to store it: *implicit leading 1*
- Store just fraction bits in 23-bit field





#### **Floating-Point Representation 3**

Positive and Negative exponents.

- *Biased exponent*:  $bias = 127 (01111111_2)$ 
  - Biased exponent = bias + exponent
  - Exponent of 7 is stored as:

 $127 + 7 = 134 = 0 \times 10000110_2$ 

• The IEEE 754 32-bit floating-point representation of 228<sub>10</sub>

<u>1 bit</u>	8 bits	23 bits
0	10000110	110 0100 0000 0000 0000 0000
Sign	Biased Exponent	Fraction
in hexadecimal: <b>0x43640000</b>		



# **Floating-Point Example**

Write  $-58.25_{10}$  in floating point (IEEE 754)

1. Convert decimal to binary:

 $58.25_{10} = 111010.01_2$ 

2. Write in binary scientific notation:

#### $1.1101001 \times 2^{5}$

3. Fill in fields:

Sign bit: 1 (negative) 8 exponent bits:  $(127 + 5) = 132 = 10000100_2$ 

23 fraction bits: 110 1001 0000 0000 0000 0000

in hexadecimal: <b>0xC2690000</b>			
Sign	Exponent	Fraction	
1	100 0010 0	110 1001 0000 0000 0000 0000	
1 bit	8 bits	23 bits	





#### **Floating-Point: Special Cases**

Number	Sign	Exponent	Fraction
0	X	00000000	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
$\infty$	0	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
- ∞	1	11111111	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
NaN	X	11111111	non-zero



#### **Floating-Point Precision**

- Single-Precision:
  - 32-bit
  - 1 sign bit, 8 exponent bits, 23 fraction bits
  - bias = 127
- Double-Precision:
  - 64**-**bit
  - 1 sign bit, 11 exponent bits, 52 fraction bits
  - bias = 1023

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# **Floating-Point: Rounding**

- Overflow: number too large to be represented
- Underflow: number too small to be represented
- Rounding modes:
  - Down
  - Up
  - Toward zero
  - To nearest
- Example: round 1.100101 (1.578125) to only 3 fraction bits
  - Down: 1.100
  - Up: 1.101
  - Toward zero: 1.100
  - To nearest: 1.101 (1.625 is closer to 1.578125 than 1.5 is)



## **Floating-Point Addition**

- 1. Extract exponent and fraction bits
- 2. Prepend leading 1 to form mantissa
- 3. Compare exponents
- 4. Shift smaller mantissa if necessary
- 5. Add mantissas
- 6. Normalize mantissa and adjust exponent if necessary
- 7. Round result
- 8. Assemble exponent and fraction back into floating-point format



#### **Floating-Point Addition Example**

Add the following floating-point numbers: 0x3FC00000 0x40500000



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#### **Floating-Point Addition Example**

#### 1. Extract exponent and fraction bits

<u>1 bit</u>	8 bits	23 bits
0	01111111	100 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
Sign	Exponent	Fraction
1 bit	8 bits	23 bits
1 bit 0	8 bits 10000000	23 bits 101 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000

For first number (N1): For second number (N2): S = 0, E = 127, F = .1

S = 0, E = 128, F = .101

- 2. Prepend leading 1 to form mantissa
  - N1: 1.1
  - N2: 1.101



## **Floating-Point Addition Example**

- 3. Compare exponents
  - 127 128 = -1, so shift N1 right by 1 bit
- 4. Shift smaller mantissa if necessary shift N1's mantissa: 1.1 >> 1 = 0.11 (× 2<sup>1</sup>)
- 5. Add mantissas  $0.11 \times 2^{1}$   $+ 1.101 \times 2^{1}$ 
  - $10.011 \times 2^{1}$



# Floating Point Addition Example

- 6. Normalize mantissa and adjust exponent if necessary  $10.011 \times 2^1 = 1.0011 \times 2^2$
- 7. Round resultNo need (fits in 23 bits)
- 8. Assemble exponent and fraction back into floating-point format

 $S = 0, E = 2 + 127 = 129 = 10000001_2, F = 001100..$ 

in hexadecimal: 0x40980000			
Sign	Exponent	Fraction	
0	10000001	001 1000 0000 0000 0000 0000	
1 bit	8 bits	23 bits	





#### Counters

• Increments on each clock edge

**Symbol** 

- Used to cycle through numbers. For example,
  - 000, 001, 010, 011, 100, 101, 110, 111, 000, 001...
- Example uses:
  - Digital clock displays
  - Program counter: keeps track of current instruction executing

Implementation





#### Shift Registers

- Shift a new bit in on each clock edge
- Shift a bit out on each clock edge
- Serial-to-parallel converter: converts serial input  $(S_{in})$  to parallel output  $(Q_{0:N-1})$





## Shift Register with Parallel Load

- When *Load* = 1, acts as a normal *N*-bit register
- When Load = 0, acts as a shift register
- Now can act as a *serial-to-parallel converter* ( $S_{in}$  to  $Q_{0:N-1}$ ) or a *parallel-to-serial converter* ( $D_{0:N-1}$  to  $S_{out}$ )





#### Memory Arrays

- Efficiently store large amounts of data
- 3 common types:
  - Dynamic random access memory (DRAM)
  - Static random access memory (SRAM)
  - Read only memory (ROM)
- *M*-bit data value read/ written at each unique *N*-bit address







#### Memory Arrays

- 2-dimensional array of bit cells
- Each bit cell stores one bit
- *N* address bits and *M* data bits:
  - $-2^N$  rows and *M* columns
  - Depth: number of rows (number of words)
  - Width: number of columns (size of word)
  - Array size: depth  $\times$  width =  $2^N \times M$





Address —

Array

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Data



#### Memory Array Example

- $2^2 \times 3$ -bit array
- Number of words: 4
- Word size: 3-bits
- For example, the 3-bit word stored at address 10 is 100







#### Memory Arrays





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#### Memory Array Bit Cells







#### Memory Array

#### • Wordline:

- like an enable
- single row in memory array read/written
- corresponds to unique address
- only one wordline HIGH at once





## Types of Memory

- Random access memory (RAM): volatile
- Read only memory (ROM): nonvolatile



#### **RAM: Random Access Memory**

- Volatile: loses its data when power off
- Read and written quickly
- Main memory in your computer is RAM (DRAM)

Historically called *random* access memory because any data word accessed as easily as any other (in contrast to sequential access memories such as a tape recorder)



## **ROM: Read Only Memory**

- Nonvolatile: retains data when power off
- Read quickly, but writing is impossible or slow
- Flash memory in cameras, thumb drives, and digital cameras are all ROMs

Historically called *read only* memory because ROMs were written at manufacturing time or by burning fuses. Once ROM was configured, it could not be written again. This is no longer the case for Flash memory and other types of ROMs.



#### Types of RAM

- **DRAM** (Dynamic random access memory)
- SRAM (Static random access memory)
- Differ in how they store data:
  - DRAM uses a capacitor
  - SRAM uses cross-coupled inverters



#### Robert Dennard, 1932 -

- Invented DRAM in 1966 at IBM
- Others were skeptical that the idea would work
- By the mid-1970's DRAM in virtually all computers





#### DRAM

- Data bits stored on capacitor
- *Dynamic* because the value needs to be refreshed (rewritten) periodically and after read:
  - Charge leakage from the capacitor degrades the value
  - Reading destroys the stored value





#### DRAM







#### **SRAM**







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#### Memory Arrays Review



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#### **ROM:** Dot Notation





#### Fujio Masuoka, 1944 -

- Developed memories and high speed circuits at Toshiba, 1971-1994
- Invented Flash memory as an unauthorized project pursued during nights and weekends in the late 1970's
- The process of erasing the memory reminded him of the flash of a camera
- Toshiba slow to commercialize the idea; Intel was first to market in 1988
- Flash has grown into a \$25 billion per year market





#### **ROM Storage**





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# ROM Logic



 $Data_{2} = A_{1} \oplus A_{0}$  $Data_{1} = \overline{A_{1}} + A_{0}$  $Data_{0} = \overline{A_{1}}\overline{A_{0}}$ 



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#### Example: Logic with ROMs

Implement the following logic functions using a  $2^2 \times 3$ -bit ROM:





#### Logic with Any Memory Array



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#### Logic with Memory Arrays

Implement the following logic functions using a  $2^2 \times 3$ -bit memory array:





#### Logic with Memory Arrays

Called *lookup tables* (LUTs): look up output at each input combination (address)



4-word x 1-bit Array



#### **Multi-ported Memories**

- **Port:** address/data pair
- 3-ported memory
  - 2 read ports (A1/RD1, A2/RD2)
  - 1 write port (A3/WD3, WE3 enables writing)
- Register file: small multi-ported memory



