## CSEE 3827: Fundamentals of Computer Systems

## Lecture 1

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## Agenda

- Administrative details
- Course introduction
- Information representation and definitions


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## Textbooks

Logic and Computer Design Fundamentals, 4th ed, by M. Morris Mano and Charles Kime


Computer Organization and Design, The Hardware/Software Interface, 4th ed, by David A. Patterson and John L. Hennessy


## Grading formula

## Final Exam <br> - early May (scheduled by University) <br> - covers 2nd half of course

## Eight problem sets

- handful of practice problems
- one week to complete


Midterm Exam

- early March (before spring break)
- covers 1st half of course


## Problem sets

Due at start of class on due date.

Collaboration policy: In working on the problem sets, feel free to discuss the problems with your classmates. However, no collaboration is allowed in writing up the solutions. Each student is to write up his or her own solution and is expected to be able to explain and reproduce the work she or she submits.

## Course webpage

http://www1.cs.columbia.edu/~martha/courses/3827/sp09/

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## What does this ...


[Source: http://ftp.arl.army.mil/~mike/comphist]

## ... have in common with this?



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growth in performance = growth in raw resources + system design innovation
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## growth in performance $=$ growth in raw resources + system design innovation

## CPU Transistor Counts 1971-2008 \& Moore's Law


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## Number systems: Base 10 (Decimal)

- 10 digits $=\{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9\}$
- example: $4537.8=(4537.8)$

$$
\begin{gathered}
4 \\
\times 10^{3} \times 10^{2} \times \frac{3}{410^{1} \times 10^{0} \times 10^{-1}} \\
4000+500+40+7+8 \\
\times 10
\end{gathered}
$$

Number systems: Base 2 (Binary)

- 2 digits $=\{0,1\}$
- example: $1011.1=(1011.1)_{2}$


## Number systems: Base 8 (Octal)

- 8 digits $=\{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7\}$
- example: (2365.2) ${ }_{8}$



## Number systems: Base 16 (Hexadecimal)

- 16 digits $=\{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9, A, B, C, D, E, F\}$
- example: $(26 \mathrm{BA})_{16} \quad$ [alternate notation for hex: $\left.0 \times 26 \mathrm{BA}\right]$



## Hexadecimal (or hex) is often used for addressing

## fssm32.exe

fssm32.exe has encountered a problem and needs to close. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

If you were in the middle of something, the information you were working on might be lost.

Please tell Microsoft about this problem.
We have created an error report that you can send to us. We will treat this report as confidential and anonymous.

To see what data this error report contains, click here.

fssm32.exe - Application Error
The instruction at " $0 \times 1000228$ " referenced memory at " $0 \times 08 f 3 \mathrm{~d} 920$ ". The memory could not be "read".
Click on OK to terminate the program
Click on CANCEL to debug the program
$\square$ Cancel

## Number ranges

- Map infinite numbers onto finite representation for a computer
- How many numbers can I represent with ...
... 5 digits in decimal?

$$
10^{5} \text { possible values }
$$

... 8 binary digits?

$$
2^{8} \text { possible values }
$$

... 4 hexadecimal digits?

$$
16^{4} \text { possible values }
$$

Need a bigger range?

- Change the encoding.
- Floating point (used to represent very large numbers in a compact way)
- A lot like scientific notation:

$$
5.4 \times 10^{5} \text { exponent }
$$

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- Except that it is binary:

$$
1001 \times 2^{\underline{1011}}
$$

## What about negative numbers?

- Change the encoding.
- Sign and magnitude
- Ones compliment
- Twos compliment


## Sign and magnitude

- Most significant bit is sign
- Rest of bits are magnitude

$$
0110=(6)_{10} \quad 1110=(-6)_{10}
$$

- Two representations of zero

$$
0000=(0)_{10} \quad 1000=(-0)_{10}
$$

## Ones compliment

- Compliment bits in positive value to create negative value
- Most significant bit still a sign bit

$$
0110=(6)_{10} \quad 1001=(-6)_{10}
$$

- Two representations of zero

$$
0000=(0)_{10} \quad 1111=(-0)_{10}
$$

## Twos compliment

- Compliment bits in positive value and add 1 to create negative value
- Most significant bit still a sign bit

$$
0110=(6)_{10} \quad 1001+1=1010=(-6)_{10}
$$

- One representation of zero

$$
0000=(0)_{10} \quad 1000=(-8)_{10} \quad 1111=(-1)_{10}
$$

- One more negative number than positive

$$
\mathrm{MIN}: 1000=(-8)_{10} \quad \mathrm{MAX}: 0111=(7)_{10}
$$

## How about letters?

- Change the encoding.
$\square$ TABLE 1-5
American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII)

| $\mathbf{B}_{4} \mathbf{B}_{3} \mathbf{B}_{2} \mathbf{B}_{1}$ | $\mathrm{B}_{7} \mathrm{~B}_{6} \mathrm{~B}_{5}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 000 | 001 | 010 | 011 | 100 | 101 | 110 | 111 |
| 0000 | NULL | DLE | SP | 0 | @ | P | - | p |
| 0001 | SOH | DC1 | ! | 1 | A | Q | a | q |
| 0010 | STX | DC2 | " | 2 | B | R | b | r |
| 0011 | ETX | DC3 | \# | 3 | C | S | c | S |
| 0100 | EOT | DC4 | \$ | 4 | D | T | d | t |
| 0101 | ENQ | NAK | \% | 5 | E | U | e | u |
| 0110 | ACK | SYN | \& | 6 | F | V | f | v |
| 0111 | BEL | ETB | , | 7 | G | W | g | w |
| 1000 | BS | CAN | ( | 8 | H | X | h | x |
| 1001 | HT | EM | ) | 9 | I | Y | i | y |
| 1010 | LF | SUB | * | : | J | Z | j | Z |
| 1011 | VT | ESC | + | ; | K | [ | k | \{ |
| 1100 | FF | FS | , | $<$ | L | 1 | 1 | , |
| 1101 | CR | GS | - | $=$ | M | ] | m | \} |
| 1110 | SO | RS | . | > | N | $\wedge$ | n | $\sim$ |
| 1111 | SI | US | 1 | ? | O | - | o | DEL |

## Some definitions

- bit $=\mathbf{a}$ binary digit
- byte $=8$ bits
- word = a group of bytes
a 16 -bit word $=2$ bytes e.g., 1001110111000101
a 32 -bit word $=4$ bytes e.g., 100111011100010101110111000101

Next class: binary logic, logic gates

