

**Instructions:** In-class exercises are meant to introduce you to a new topic and provide some practice with the new topic. **Work in a team of up to 4 people to complete this exercise.** You can work simultaneously on the problems, or work separate and then check your answers with each other. **Turn in one copy of the exercise per group.**

**Names:**

## Number Theory: Representations of Integers

### Digits

For the decimal number 2,368, we can write this as its individual digits:

Thousands ( $10^3$ )	Hundreds ( $10^2$ )	Tens ( $10^1$ )	Ones ( $10^0$ )
2	3	6	8

And then we can build out 2,368 as the mathematical equation:

$$2 \cdot 10^3 + 3 \cdot 10^2 + 6 \cdot 10^1 + 8 \cdot 10^0$$

Likewise, for the binary number 0101 1001, we can write it as:

$2^7$	$2^6$	$2^5$	$2^4$	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$
0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1

And into the equation:

$$1 \cdot 2^6 + 1 \cdot 2^4 + 1 \cdot 2^3 + 1 \cdot 2^0$$

### Hexadecimal Digits

Hexadecimal numbers go from 0 to 15, but the two-digit numbers (10 through 15) are usually represented with letters so that you can write out a hex number with single characters.

A = 10

B = 11

C = 12

D = 13

E = 14

F = 15

### Question 1

Expand each of the following numbers as a mathematical equation. Make sure to pay attention to the *base* value.

- a. Write out the equation for  $(19)_{10}$

$10^1$	$10^0$

- b. Write out the equation for  $(0010\ 1101)_2$  and calculate the decimal equivalent by expanding the equation and calculating the result.

$2^7$	$2^6$	$2^5$	$2^4$	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$

- c. Write out the equation for  $(FA6)_{16}$  and calculate the decimal equivalent by expanding the equation and calculating the result.

$16^2$	$16^1$	$16^0$

## Converting between bases

### Algorithm for converting a decimal number to base $b$ :

1. Input a natural number  $n$
2. While  $n > 0$ , do the following:
  - (a) Divide  $n$  by  $b$  and get a quotient  $q$  and remainder  $r$ .
  - (b) Write  $r$  as the next (right-to-left) digit.
  - (c) Replace the value of  $n$  with  $q$ , and repeat.

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### Question 2

Convert the following between bases:

a. Convert  $(35)_{10}$  to binary (base-2)       $n = 35, b = 2$

b. Convert  $(125)_{10}$  to binary (base-2)       $n = 125, b = 2$

**Hexadecimal to Binary**

Often in computers, we write binary strings as hexadecimal to save space and make it easier to read.

Hex	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Binary	0000	0001	0010	0011	0100	0101	0110	0111
Hex	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
Binary	1000	1001	1010	1011	1100	1101	1110	1111

**Example:** Convert 11001 from binary to hexadecimal

1. Write out in chunks of four. Add leading 0's to the left side.

0001 1001

2. Swap out each “nibble” with hexadecimal

0001 = 1      1001 = 9

So,  $(0001\ 1001)_2 = (19)_{16}$

**Example:** Convert  $DAD$  from hexadecimal to binary

1. Convert each digit back to binary.

D = 1101      A = 1010      D = 1101

So,  $(DAD)_{16} = (1101\ 1010\ 1101)_2$

**Question 3**

Do the following conversions

- a. Convert  $(1F0B)_{16}$  to binary:

- b. Convert  $(0100\ 0110)_2$  to hexadecimal:

**Conversion cheat sheet**

**1. Converting from base  $b$  to base 10:** Expand the number in base  $b$  to its digit-spaces and create an equation.

**Example: Convert  $(121)_3$  to base 10**

$3^2$	$3^1$	$3^0$
1	2	1

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 1 \cdot 3^2 + 2 \cdot 3^1 + 1 \cdot 3^0 \\
 &= 9 + 6 + 1 \\
 &= 16
 \end{aligned}$$

**2. Converting between Binary and Hexadecimal:** For converting between base-2 and base-16 (ONLY) you can use this table to swap out 4 bits at a time:

Hex	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Binary	0000	0001	0010	0011	0100	0101	0110	0111
Hex	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
Binary	1000	1001	1010	1011	1100	1101	1110	1111

**Example: Convert  $(ABC)_{16}$  to binary**

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= 1010 & B &= 1011 & C &= 1100 \\
 (ABC)_{16} &= (1010\ 1011\ 1100)_2
 \end{aligned}$$

**Example: Convert  $(1111\ 1010\ 0010)_2$  to hexadecimal**

$$\begin{aligned}
 1111 &= F & 1010 &= A & 0010 &= 2 \\
 (1111\ 1010\ 0010)_2 &= (FA2)_{16}
 \end{aligned}$$

**3. Convert decimal to binary:** Use the algorithm!

**Question 4**

Convert each of the following using the appropriate methods.

a.  $(10)_{10}$  to base-2.

b.  $(67)_{10}$  to base-2.

c.  $(1111\ 1010\ 1100\ 1110)_2$  to base-16.

d.  $(1111\ 1010\ 1100\ 1110)_2$  to base-10.

e.  $(1EE7)_{16}$  to base-2.

f.  $(1EE7)_{16}$  to base-10.