
CHAPTER 2

Number Systems

(Solutions to Odd-Numbered Problems)

Review Questions

1. A number system shows how a number can be represented using distinct symbols.
3. The base (or radix) is the total number of symbols used in a positional number system.
5. The binary system is a positional number system that uses two symbols (0 and 1) to represent a number. The word binary is derived from the Latin root *bini* (two by two) or *binarius* (related to two). In the binary system, the base is 2.
7. The hexadecimal system is a positional number system with sixteen symbols. The word hexadecimal is derived from the Greek root *hex* (six) and the Latin root *decem* (ten). To be consistent with decimal and binary, it should have been called *sexadecimal*, from Latin roots *sex* and *decem*. In the hexadecimal system, the base is 16.
9. Four bits in binary is one hexadecimal digit.

Multiple-Choice Questions

11. c 13. b 15. a 17. b 19. c 21. b

Exercises

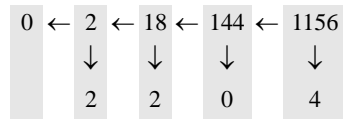
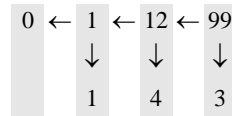
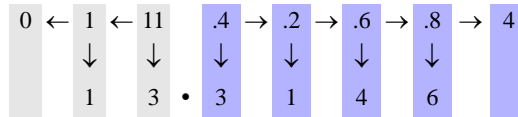
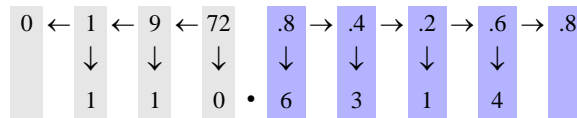
23.

Place values	64	32	16	8	4	2	1	1/2	1/4	1/8	
$(01101)_2 =$			0	8	4	0	1				= 13
$(1011000)_2 =$	64	0	16	8	0	0	0				= 88
$(011110.01)_2 =$		0	16	8	4	2	0	0	1/4		= 30.25
$(11111.111)_2 =$		32	16	8	4	2	1	1/2	1/4	1/8	= 63.875
	2										

25.

Place values	512	64	8	1	1/8	1/64	
$(237)_8 =$		$+ 2 \times 64$	$+ 3 \times 8$	$+ 7 \times 1$			$= 159$
$(2731)_8 =$	2×512	$+ 7 \times 64$	$+ 3 \times 8$	$+ 1 \times 1$			$= 1497$
$(617)_8 =$		$+ 6 \times 64$	$+ 1 \times 8$	$+ 7 \times 1$	$+ 7 \times 1/8$		$= 399.875$
$(21.11)_8 =$			$+ 2 \times 8$	$+ 1 \times 1$	$+ 1 \times 1/8$	$+ 1 \times 1/64$	≈ 17.141

27.

a. $1156 = (2204)_8$ as shown below:b. $99 = (134)_8$ as shown below:c. $11.4 = (13.3146)_8$ as shown below:d. $72.8 = (110.6314)_8$ as shown below:

29.

$(514)_8 =$	101	001	100		=	1	0100	1100		=	(14C) ₁₆	
$(411)_8 =$	100	001	001		=	1	0000	1001		=	(109) ₁₆	
$(13.7)_8 =$		001	111	•	111	=	00	1011	•	1110	=	(B.E) ₁₆
$(1256)_8 =$	001	010	101	110	=	0010	0101	1110		=	(25E) ₁₆	

31.

$$\begin{array}{rclcl}
 (01101)_2 & = & 001 & 101 & = & (15)_8 \\
 (1011000)_2 & = & 001 & 011 & 000 & = & (130)_8 \\
 (011110.01)_2 & = & 011 & 110 & \bullet & 010 & = & (36.2)_8 \\
 (111111.111)_2 & = & 111 & 111 & \bullet & 111 & = & (77.7)_8
 \end{array}$$

33.

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 121 & = & 0 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 0 + 0 + 1 = (0111001)_2 \\
 78 & = & 0 + 64 + 0 + 0 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 0 = (01001110)_2 \\
 255 & = & 128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 = (1111111)_2 \\
 214 & = & 128 + 64 + 0 + 16 + 0 + 4 + 2 + 0 = (11010110)_2
 \end{array}$$

35.

- a. binary: $2^6 - 1 = 63$
 b. decimal: $10^6 - 1 = 999,999$
 c. hexadecimal: $16^6 - 1 = 16,777,215$
 d. octal: $8^6 - 1 = 262,143$

37.

- a. $\lceil 5 \times (\log 2) / (\log 10) \rceil = \lceil 16.6 \rceil = 2$
 b. $\lceil 3 \times (\log 8) / (\log 10) \rceil = \lceil 16.6 \rceil = 3$
 c. $\lceil 3 \times (\log 16) / (\log 10) \rceil = \lceil 16.6 \rceil = 4$

39. Using the result of previous exercise, we can find the equivalent as:

- a. $7.1875 = (111)_2 + (0.001)_2 + (0.0001)_2 = (111.0011)_2$
 b. $12.540625 = (1100)_2 + (0.1)_2 + (0.001)_2 + (0.000001)_2 = (1100.101001)_2$
 c. $11.40625 = (1011)_2 + (0.01)_2 + (0.001)_2 + (0.00001)_2 = (1011.01101)_2$
 d. $0.375 = (0.01)_2 + (0.001)_2 = (0.011)_2$

41.

- a. $\lceil \log_2 1000 \rceil = \lceil \log 1000 / \log 2 \rceil = \lceil 9.97 \rceil = 10$
 b. $\lceil \log_2 100,000 \rceil = \lceil \log 100,000 / \log 2 \rceil = \lceil 16.6 \rceil = 17$
 c. $\lceil \log_2 64 \rceil = \lceil \log_2 2^6 \rceil = \lceil 6 \times \log_2 2 \rceil = \lceil 6 \rceil = 6$
 d. $\lceil \log_2 256 \rceil = \lceil \log_2 2^8 \rceil = \lceil 8 \times \log_2 2 \rceil = \lceil 8 \rceil = 8$

43.

- a. $17 \times 256^3 + 234 \times 256^2 + 34 \times 256^1 + 14 \times 256^0 = 300,556,814$
 b. $14 \times 256^3 + 56 \times 256^2 + 234 \times 256^1 + 56 \times 256^0 = 238,611,000$
 c. $110 \times 256^3 + 14 \times 256^2 + 56 \times 256^1 + 78 \times 256^0 = 1,864,425,678$
 d. $24 \times 256^3 + 56 \times 256^2 + 13 \times 256^1 + 11 \times 256^0 = 406,326,539$

- 45.
- 15
 - 27
 - This is not a valid Roman Numeral (V cannot come before L)
 - 1157
- 47.
- Not valid because I cannot come before M
 - Not valid because I cannot come before C
 - Not valid because V cannot come before C
 - Not valid because 5 is written as V not VX
- 49.
- First, we convert the three numbers to base 60 as shown below:

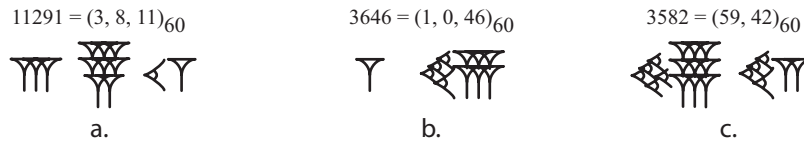
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		↓		↓		↓
		3		8		11

0	←	1	←	60	←	3646
		↓		↓		↓
		1		0		46

0	←	59	←	3582
		↓		↓
		59		42

The equivalent Babylonian numerals are shown in Figure S2.49

Figure S2.49 Exercise 49



- In Babylonian numerals, they used extra space when a zero was needed in the middle of the number. When a zero was needed at left, they did not use anything; They probably recognized it from the context.