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Number System

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Number System

System	Base	Symbols	Used by humans?	Used in computers?
Decimal	10	0, 1, 9	Yes	No
Binary	2	0, 1	No	Yes
Octal	8	0, 1, 7	No	No
Hexa- decimal	16	0, 1, 9, A, B, F	No	No

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POSITIONAL NUMBER SYSTEMS

In a positional number system, the position a symbol occupies in the number determines the value it represents. In this system, a number represented as:

$$\pm (S_{k-1} ... S_2 S_1 S_0. S_{-1} S_{-2} ... S_{-l})_b$$

has the value of:

$$n = \pm S_{k-1} \times b^{k-1} + \dots + S_1 \times b^1 + S_0 \times b^0 + S_{-1} \times b^{-1} + S_{-2} \times b^{-2} + \dots + S_{-l} \times b^{-l}$$

in which S is the set of symbols, b is the base (or radix).

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The decimal system (base 10)

The word decimal is derived from the Latin root decem (ten). In this system the base b = 10 and we use ten symbols

$$S = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$$

The symbols in this system are often referred to as decimal digits or just digits.

Integers

$$N = \pm S_{k-1} \times 10^{k-1} + S_{k-2} \times 10^{k-2} + \dots + S_2 \times 10^2 + S_1 \times 10^1 + S_0 \times 10^0$$

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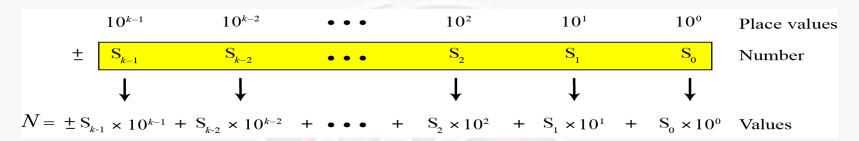


Fig: Place values for an integer in the decimal system

Example

The following shows the place values for the integer +224 in the decimal system.

$$10^{2}$$
 10^{1} 10^{0} Place values
2 2 4 Number
 $N = + 2 \times 10^{2} + 2 \times 10^{1} + 4 \times 10^{0}$ Values

Note that the digit 2 in position 1 has the value 20, but the same digit in position 2 has the value 200. Also note that we normally drop the plus sign, but it is implicit.

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Example

The following shows the place values for the decimal number –7508. We have used 1, 10, 100, and 1000 instead of powers of 10.

$$N = -(7 \times 1000 + 5 \times 100 + 0 \times 10 + 8 \times 1)$$
 Place values Number

Note that the digit 2 in position 1 has the value 20, but the same digit in position 2 has the value 200. Also note that we normally drop the plus sign, but it is implicit.

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Reals

Integral part Fractional part
$$R = \pm S_{k-1} \times 10^{k-1} + ... + S_1 \times 10^1 + S_0 \times 10^0 + S_{-1} \times 10^{-1} + ... + S_{-l} \times 10^{-l}$$

Example

The following shows the place values for the real number +24.13.

$$10^{1}$$
 10^{0} 10^{-1} 10^{-2} Place values
2 4 • 1 3 Number
 $R = +$ 2×10 + 4×1 + 1×0.1 + 3×0.01 Values

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The binary system (base 2)

The word binary is derived from the Latin root bini (or two by two). In this system the base b = 2 and we use only two symbols,

$$S = \{0, 1\}$$

The symbols in this system are often referred to as binary digits or bits (binary digit).

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Integers

$$N = \pm S_{k-1} \times 2^{k-1} + S_{k-2} \times 2^{k-2} + \dots + S_2 \times 2^2 + S_1 \times 2^1 + S_0 \times 2^0$$

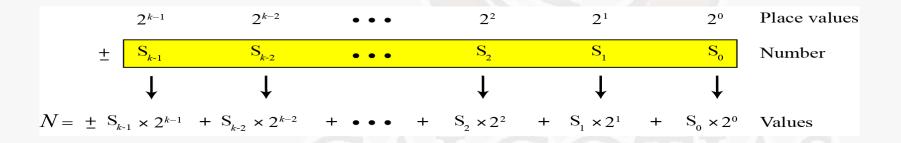


Figure: Place values for an integer in the binary system

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Example

The following shows that the number $(11001)_2$ in binary is the same as 25 in decimal. The subscript 2 shows that the base is 2.

$$2^4$$
 2^3 2^2 2^1 2^0 Place values
1 1 0 0 1 Number
 $N = 1 \times 2^4 + 1 \times 2^3 + 0 \times 2^2 + 0 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0$ Decimal

The equivalent decimal number is N = 16 + 8 + 0 + 0 + 1 = 25.

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