

Data encoding

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Binary data

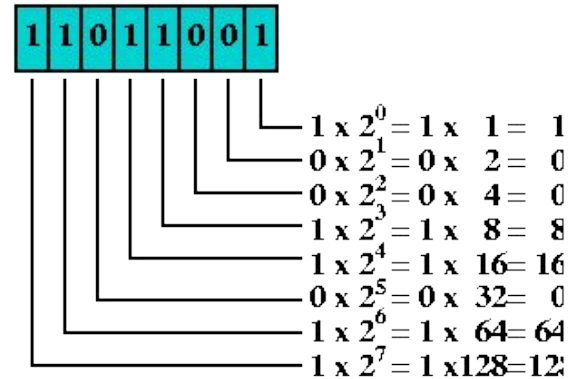
- Binary can represent
 - Letters of alphabet, plain-text files
 - Integers, floating-point numbers (of finite precision)
 - Pixels, images, video
 - Audio samples
- Could be stored in processor registers, RAM, harddisk, transmitted over network etc
- Quantization, quantization error

Binary encoding

Word															
Byte 1 (High)								Byte 0 (Low)							
Nibble 3				Nibble 2				Nibble 1				Nibble 0			
Bit 15	Bit 14	Bit 13	Bit 12	Bit 11	Bit 10	Bit 9	Bit 8	Bit 7	Bit 6	Bit 5	Bit 4	Bit 3	Bit 2	Bit 1	Bit 0

Binary to decimal

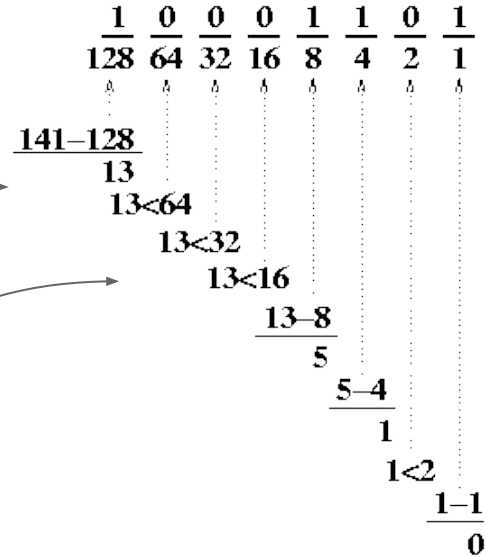
- Bit indexing starts from 0
- Least significant bit is usually on the right
- Each bit has weight of 2^n
- Multiply each bit with it's weight
- Add the multiplications



$$1 + 8 + 16 + 64 + 128 = 217$$

Decimal to binary

- If weight can be subtracted, bit corresponds to one
- If the number is smaller than next weight, bit corresponds to zero



Bit order

High order bit

also known as most significant bit (MSB)



Low order bit

least significant bit (LSB)



2^7

2^6

2^5

2^4

2^3

2^2

2^1

2^0

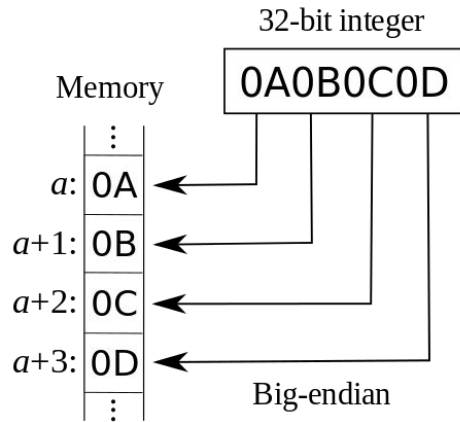
Hexadecimal representation

- Each hexadecimal digit corresponds to nibble (4-bits)
- Hexadecimal retains alignment to binary data opposed to decimal

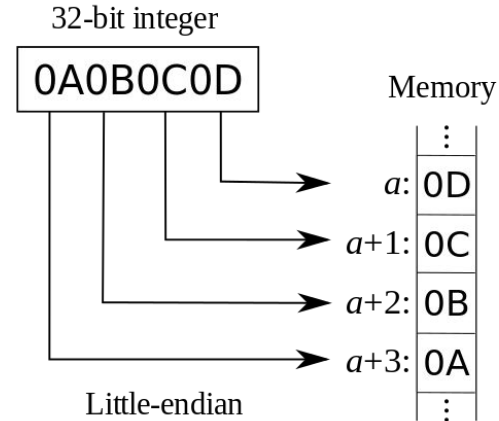
binary	hexadecimal	decimal
0000	=> 0	=> 0
0001	=> 1	=> 1
0010	=> 2	=> 2
0011	=> 3	=> 3
0100	=> 4	=> 4
0101	=> 5	=> 5
0110	=> 6	=> 6
0111	=> 7	=> 7
1000	=> 8	=> 8
1001	=> 9	=> 9
1010	=> A	=> 10
1011	=> B	=> 11
1100	=> C	=> 12
1101	=> D	=> 13
1110	=> E	=> 14
1111	=> F	=> 15

Endianess

Motorola 68k (Macintosh)



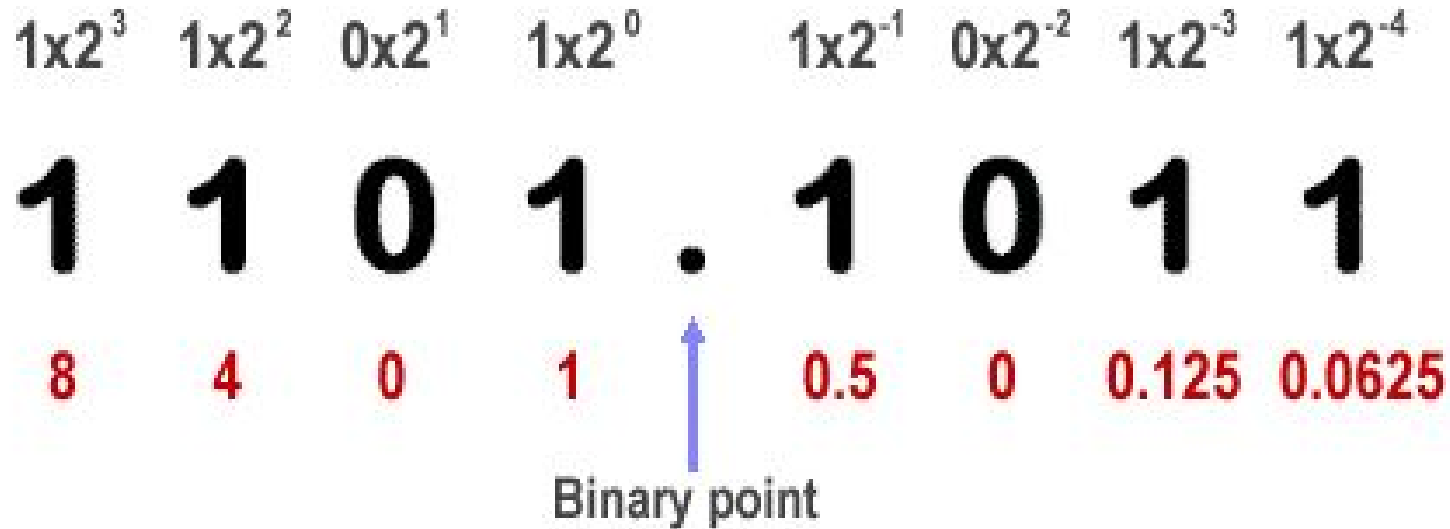
Intel x86 (PC-s)



Integer representation

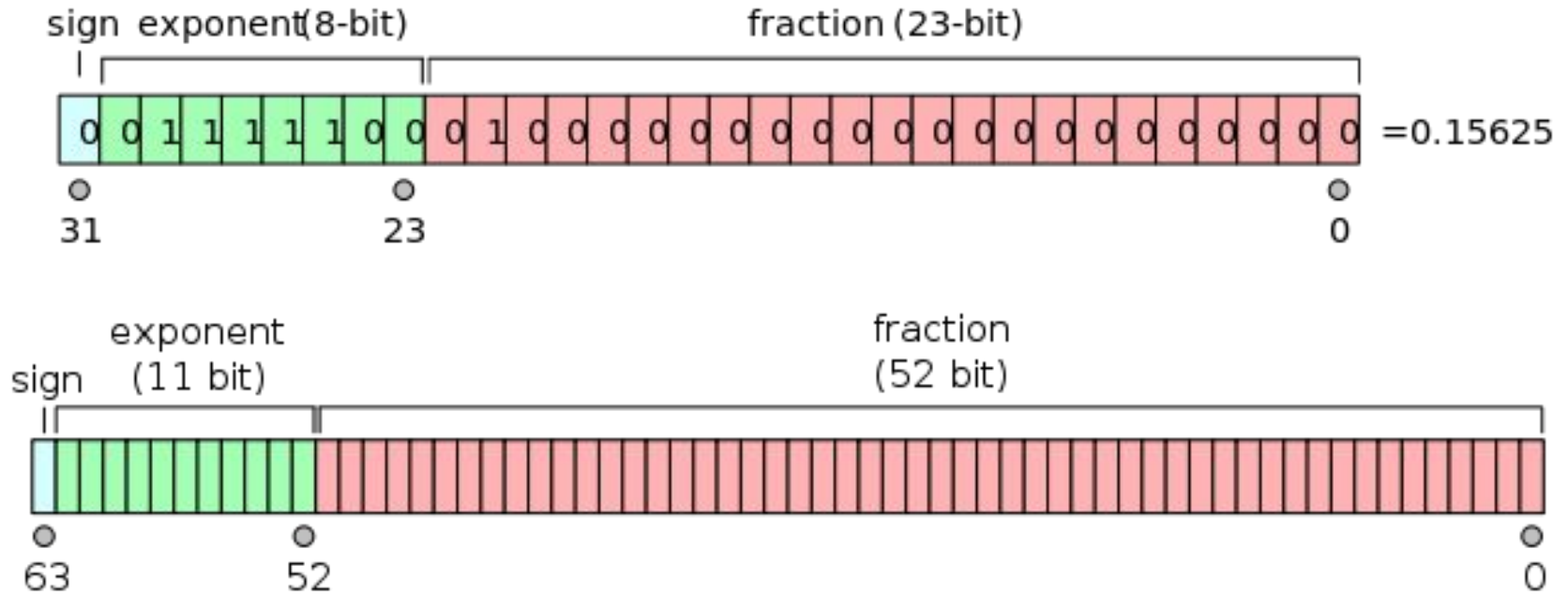
- Number 42 (decimal) could be represented as
 - 0b101010 (binary)
 - 0x2a (hexadecimal)
 - 052 (octal)
 - 0o52 (also octal)
- Check out <http://baseconvert.com>

Fixed-point numbers



$$8 + 4 + 0 + 1 + 0.5 + 0 + 0.125 + 0.0625 = 13.6875 \text{ (Base 10)}$$

IEEE754 floating point numbers



Text encoding

ASCII, Unicode

The ASCII code

American Standard Code for Information Interchange

www.theasciicode.com.ar

ASCII control characters

DEC	HEX	Simbolo ASCII	
00	00h	NULL	(carácter nulo)
01	01h	SOH	(inicio encabezado)
02	02h	STX	(inicio texto)
03	03h	ETX	(fin de texto)
04	04h	EOT	(fin transmisión)
05	05h	ENQ	(enquiry)
06	06h	ACK	(acknowledgement)
07	07h	BEL	(timbre)
08	08h	BS	(retroceso)
09	09h	HT	(tab horizontal)
10	0Ah	LF	(salto de línea)
11	0Bh	VT	(tab vertical)
12	0Ch	FF	(form feed)
13	0Dh	CR	(retorno de carro)
14	0Eh	SO	(shift Out)
15	0Fh	SI	(shift In)
16	10h	DLE	(data link escape)
17	11h	DC1	(device control 1)
18	12h	DC2	(device control 2)
19	13h	DC3	(device control 3)
20	14h	DC4	(device control 4)
21	15h	NAK	(negative acknowle.)
22	16h	SYN	(synchronous idle)
23	17h	ETB	(end of trans. block)
24	18h	CAN	(cancel)
25	19h	EM	(end of medium)
26	1Ah	SUB	(substitute)
27	1Bh	ESC	(escape)
28	1Ch	FS	(file separator)
29	1Dh	GS	(group separator)
30	1Eh	RS	(record separator)
31	1Fh	US	(unit separator)
127	20h	DEL	(delete)

ASCII printable characters

DEC	HEX	Simbolo	DEC	HEX	Simbolo	DEC	HEX	Simbolo
32	20h	espacio	64	40h	@	96	60h	`
33	21h	!	65	41h	A	97	61h	a
34	22h	"	66	42h	B	98	62h	b
35	23h	#	67	43h	C	99	63h	c
36	24h	\$	68	44h	D	100	64h	d
37	25h	%	69	45h	E	101	65h	e
38	26h	&	70	46h	F	102	66h	f
39	27h	'	71	47h	G	103	67h	g
40	28h	(	72	48h	H	104	68h	h
41	29h	)	73	49h	I	105	69h	i
42	2Ah	*	74	4Ah	J	106	6Ah	j
43	2Bh	+	75	4Bh	K	107	6Bh	k
44	2Ch	,	76	4Ch	L	108	6Ch	l
45	2Dh	-	77	4Dh	M	109	6Dh	m
46	2Eh	.	78	4Eh	N	110	6Eh	n
47	2Fh	/	79	4Fh	O	111	6Fh	o
48	30h	0	80	50h	P	112	70h	p
49	31h	1	81	51h	Q	113	71h	q
50	32h	2	82	52h	R	114	72h	r
51	33h	3	83	53h	S	115	73h	s
52	34h	4	84	54h	T	116	74h	t
53	35h	5	85	55h	U	117	75h	u
54	36h	6	86	56h	V	118	76h	v
55	37h	7	87	57h	W	119	77h	w
56	38h	8	88	58h	X	120	78h	x
57	39h	9	89	59h	Y	121	79h	y
58	3Ah	:	90	5Ah	Z	122	7Ah	z
59	3Bh	;	91	5Bh	[123	7Bh	{
60	3Ch	<	92	5Ch	\	124	7Ch	
61	3Dh	=	93	5Dh]	125	7Dh	}
62	3Eh	>	94	5Eh	^	126	7Eh	~
63	3Fh	?	95	5Fh	-			

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Extended ASCII characters

DEC	HEX	Simbolo	DEC	HEX	Simbolo	DEC	HEX	Simbolo	DEC	HEX	Simbolo
128	80h	Ç	160	A0h	á	192	C0h	Ł	224	E0h	Ó
129	81h	ü	161	A1h	í	193	C1h	ł	225	E1h	ó
130	82h	é	162	A2h	ó	194	C2h	ł	226	E2h	ô
131	83h	â	163	A3h	ú	195	C3h	ł	227	E3h	õ
132	84h	ä	164	A4h	ñ	196	C4h	ł	228	E4h	ö
133	85h	à	165	A5h	Ñ	197	C5h	ł	229	E5h	ÿ
134	86h	â	166	A6h	ª	198	C6h	ł	230	E6h	µ
135	87h	ç	167	A7h	º	199	C7h	ł	231	E7h	þ
136	88h	è	168	A8h	¿	200	C8h	ł	232	E8h	ð
137	89h	è	169	A9h	®	201	C9h	ł	233	E9h	þ
138	8Ah	è	170	AAh	¬	202	CAh	ł	234	EAh	Û
139	8Bh	ï	171	ABh	½	203	CBh	ł	235	EBh	Ü
140	8Ch	ï	172	ACH	¼	204	CAh	ł	236	ECh	Ý
141	8Dh	ï	173	ADh	ı	205	CDh	ł	237	EDh	Ÿ
142	8Eh	Ä	174	AEh	«	206	CEh	ł	238	Eeh	ˆ
143	8Fh	Å	175	AFh	»	207	CFh	ł	239	Efh	˙
144	90h	É	176	B0h	ˆ	208	D0h	ł	240	F0h	±
145	91h	æ	177	B1h	ˆ	209	D1h	ł	241	F1h	±
146	92h	Æ	178	B2h	ˆ	210	D2h	ł	242	F2h	ˆ
147	93h	ø	179	B3h	ˆ	211	D3h	ł	243	F3h	¼
148	94h	ø	180	B4h	ł	212	D4h	ł	244	F4h	¶
149	95h	ø	181	B5h	ł	213	D5h	ł	245	F5h	§
150	96h	ø	182	B6h	ł	214	D6h	ł	246	F6h	÷
151	97h	ù	183	B7h	ł	215	D7h	ł	247	F7h	ˆ
152	98h	ÿ	184	B8h	ł	216	D8h	ł	248	F8h	ˆ
153	99h	Û	185	B9h	ł	217	D9h	ł	249	F9h	ˆ
154	9Ah	Ü	186	BAh	ł	218	DAh	ł	250	FAh	ˆ
155	9Bh	ø	187	BBh	ł	219	DBh	ł	251	FBh	ˆ
156	9Ch	£	188	BCh	ł	220	DCh	ł	252	FCh	ˆ
157	9Dh	Ø	189	BDh	ł	221	DDh	ł	253	FDh	ˆ
158	9Eh	x	190	BEh	ł	222	DEh	ł	254	FEh	ˆ
159	9Fh	f	191	BFh	ł	223	DFh	ł	255	FFh	ˆ

ISO8859-13 (Baltic)

- Portion of extended ASCII replaced with letters from Baltic languages

	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	0A	0B	0C	0D	0E	0F
80																
	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143
90																
	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159
A0		”	€	£	€	”	|	§	Ø	©	Ŕ	«	¬	-	®	Æ
	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175
B0	°	±	²	³	“	μ	¶	•	ø	ı	ı	»	¼	½	¾	æ
	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191
C0	Ą	Į	Ā	Č	Ā	Ā	Ē	Ĉ	É	Ž	È	Ģ	Ķ	Ī	Ļ	
	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207
D0	Š	Ņ	Ņ	Ó	Õ	Õ	Õ	×	Ū	Ł	Ś	Ū	Ū	Ž	Ž	ß
	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223
E0	ą	į	ā	č	ā	ā	ē	ĉ	é	ž	è	ģ	ķ	ī	ļ	
	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233	234	235	236	237	238	239
F0	š	ņ	ņ	ó	õ	õ	õ	÷	ų	ł	ś	ū	ū	ž	ž	’
	240	241	242	243	244	245	246	247	248	249	250	251	252	253	254	255

Problems

- Impossible to mix documents of different character sets
- 8-bits not enough to describe alphabets of different languages

Unicode

- More than million characters are described
- Unicode code point refers to a index of symbol:
0x00000 to 0x10FFFF
- How it gets mapped to bits is different story:
 - UTF-8 - Variable length coding (1 to 4 bytes)
 - UTF-16 - Also variable-length coding (2 or 4 bytes)
 - UTF-32 - Only fixed-width coding (4 bytes)

Unicode

- ASCII was used for source code, text files etc.
- Has been replaced by UTF-8
- In-memory data structures different

A	Ω	語	𠄎
00000041	000003A9	00008A9E	00010384

UTF-32

A	Ω	語	𠄎
0041	03A9	8A9E	D800 DF84

UTF-16

A	Ω	語	𠄎
41	CE A9	E8 AA 9E	F0 90 8E 84

UTF-8

Python 2.x str is ASCII

```
>>> type("γεια σας")  
<type 'str'>
```

```
>>> len("γεια σας")  
15
```

```
>>> type(u"γεια σας")  
<type 'unicode'>
```

```
>>> len(u"γεια σας")  
8
```

Python 3.x str is Unicode

```
>>> type("γεια σας")
<class 'str'>
>>> len("γεια σας")
8
>>> type(b"γεια σας")
File "<stdin>", line 1
SyntaxError: bytes can only contain ASCII literal characters.
>>> "γεια σας".encode("utf-8")
b'\xce\xbf\xce\xbf\xce\xbf\xce\xbf \xcf\x83\xce\xbf\xcf\x82'
>>> type(b"hello world")
<class 'bytes'>
```

Data types in Java

Primitive Types					
Type Name	Wrapper class	Value	Range	Size	Default Value
byte	<code>java.lang.Byte</code>	integer	-128 through +127	8-bit (1-byte)	0
short	<code>java.lang.Short</code>	integer	-32,768 through +32,767	16-bit (2-byte)	0
int	<code>java.lang.Integer</code>	integer	-2,147,483,648 through +2,147,483,647	32-bit (4-byte)	0
long	<code>java.lang.Long</code>	integer	-9,223,372,036,854,775,808 through +9,223,372,036,854,775,807	64-bit (8-byte)	0
float	<code>java.lang.Float</code>	floating point number	$\pm 1.401298E-45$ through $\pm 3.402823E+38$	32-bit (4-byte)	0.0
double	<code>java.lang.Double</code>	floating point number	$\pm 4.94065645841246E-324$ through $\pm 1.79769313486232E+308$	64-bit (8-byte)	0.0
boolean	<code>java.lang.Boolean</code>	Boolean	true or false	8-bit (1-byte)	false
char	<code>java.lang.Character</code>	UTF-16 code unit (BMP character or a part of a surrogate pair)	'\u0000' through '\uFFFF'	16-bit (2-byte)	'\u0000'

Data types in C (x86)

```
sizeof(bool) == 1      # 8-bit boolean
sizeof(char) == 1     # 8-bit ASCII char or byte
sizeof(short) == 2    # 16-bit integer
sizeof(int) == 4      # 32-bit integer
sizeof(long) == 4     # 32-bit integer
sizeof(long long) == 8 # 64-bit integer
sizeof(float) == 4    # 32-bit floating point number
sizeof(double) == 8   # 64-bit floating point number
sizeof(void*) == 4    # 32-bit pointer
```

Data types in C (armhf)

```
sizeof(bool) == 1
sizeof(char) == 1
sizeof(short) == 2
sizeof(int) == 4
sizeof(long) == 4
sizeof(long long) == 8
sizeof(float) == 4
sizeof(double) == 8
sizeof(void*) == 4
```

Data types in C (x86-64)

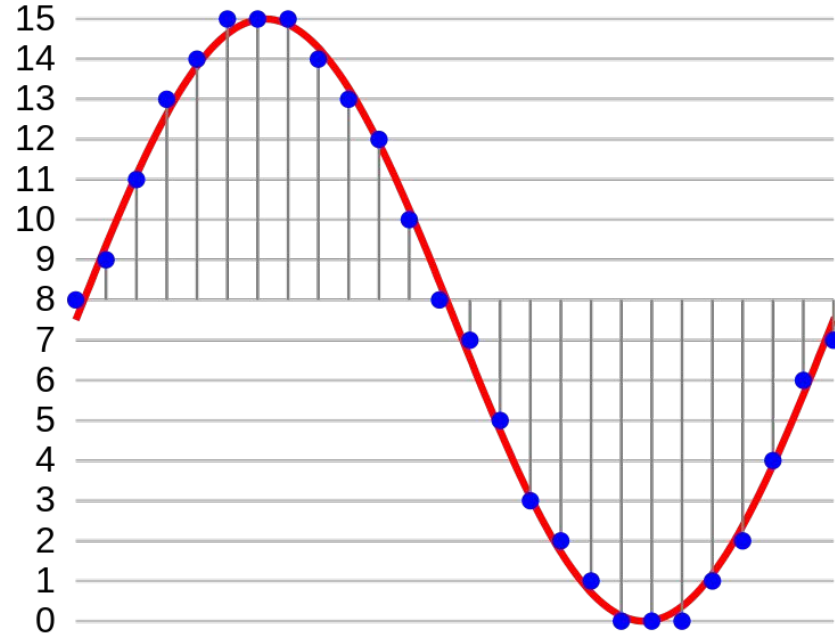
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sizeof(short) == 2    # 16-bit integer
sizeof(int) == 4      # 32-bit integer
sizeof(long) == 8     # 64-bit integer (!)
sizeof(long long) == 8 # 64-bit integer
sizeof(float) == 4    # 32-bit floating point number
sizeof(double) == 8   # 64-bit floating point number
sizeof(void*) == 8    # 64-bit pointer
```

Audio encoding

Resolution, sampling rate

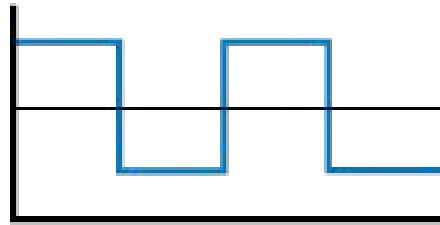
Pulse-coded modulation (PCM)

- Common bit depths are 8, 16 and 24 bits
- Example on the right uses 4 bits per channel

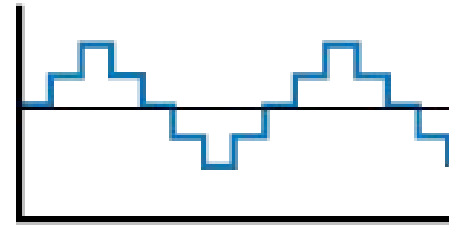


Audio resolution

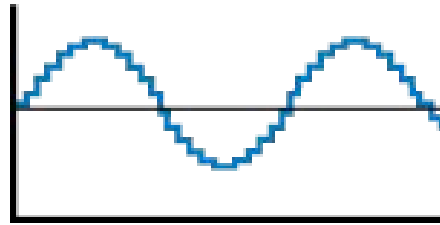
- How accurately audio signal can be represented
- Speaker cone displacement measuring precision
- Audio CD: 16-bits/ch



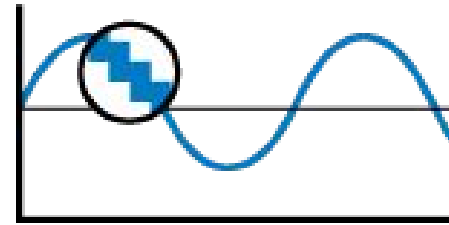
1-bit



2-bit



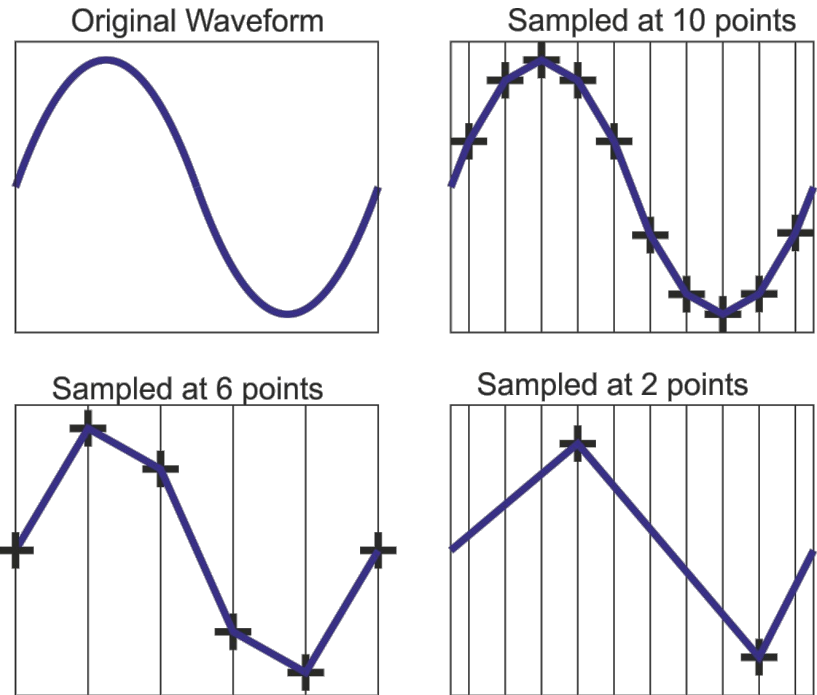
4-bit



16-bit

Audio sampling rate

- How accurately audio signal can be represented
- Frequency of speaker cone displacement measurement
- Audio CD: 44.1kHz



Digital-to-analog conversion

- Each output bit is connected to bit weight resistor
- Resistances are aggregated
- Op-amp amplifies the final voltage

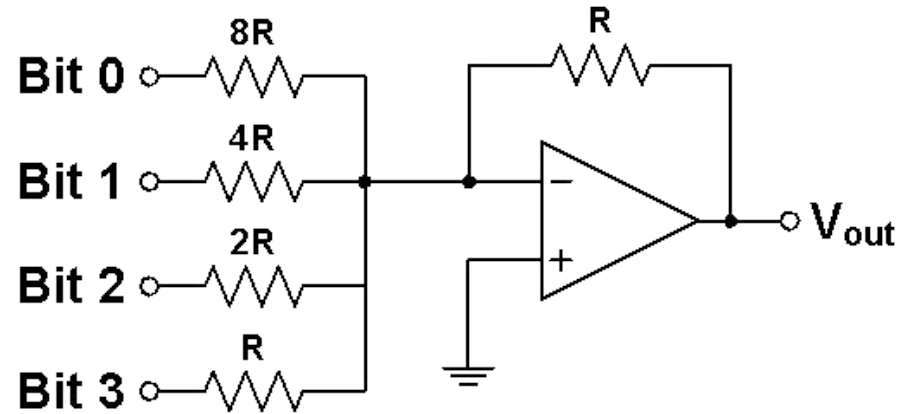


Image encoding

Pixels, color depth, resolution

Color models



- + additive color model
- + creating white light by combining colors
- + combo of red green blue



- + subtractive color model
- + taking white light away by combining colors
- + combo of cyan magenta yellow



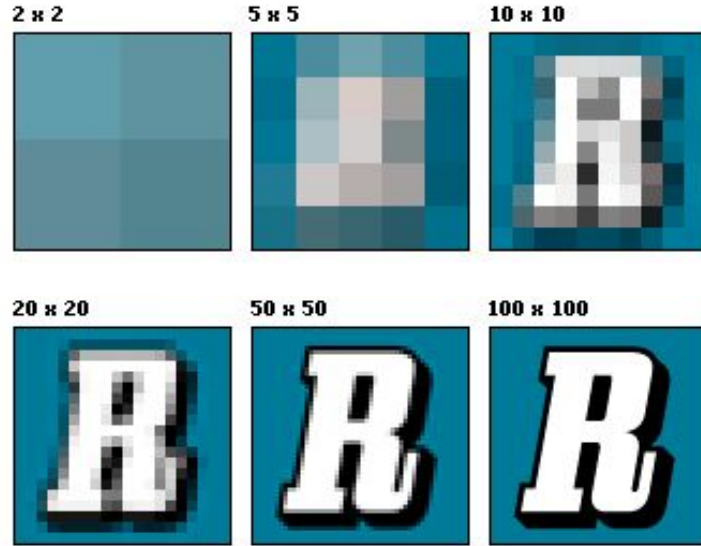
Images

- Picture element usually known as *pixel*
- Red, green, blue channels represent intensity
- Alpha channel represents transparency
- Different modes: RGB, BGR, ARGB, RGBA, ABGR, ...

Sample Length:	8								8								8								8							
Channel Membership:	Alpha								Red								Green								Blue							
Bit Number:	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

Resolution

- How many pixels
 - Horizontally
 - Vertically
- DPI (dots per inch)
- The more pixels, the better it looks



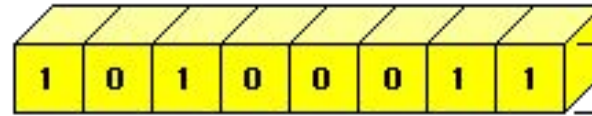
Indexed colors

- Video card contains the look up table
- Each pixel is the index in the lookup table
- RGB values computed on the fly at video output

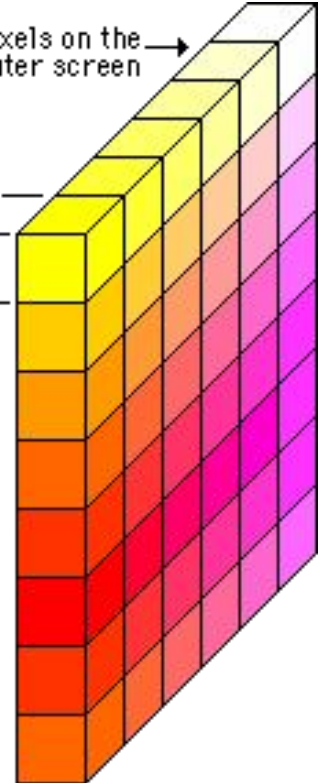
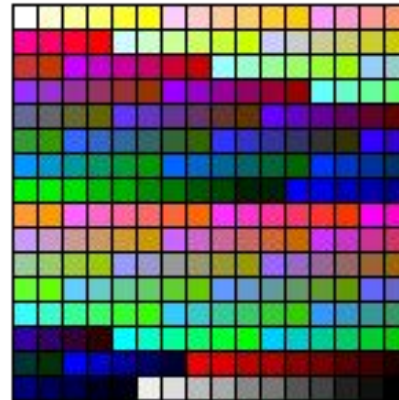
8-bit or 256 color displays

Pixels on the computer screen

Each screen pixel is represented by eight bits of memory.



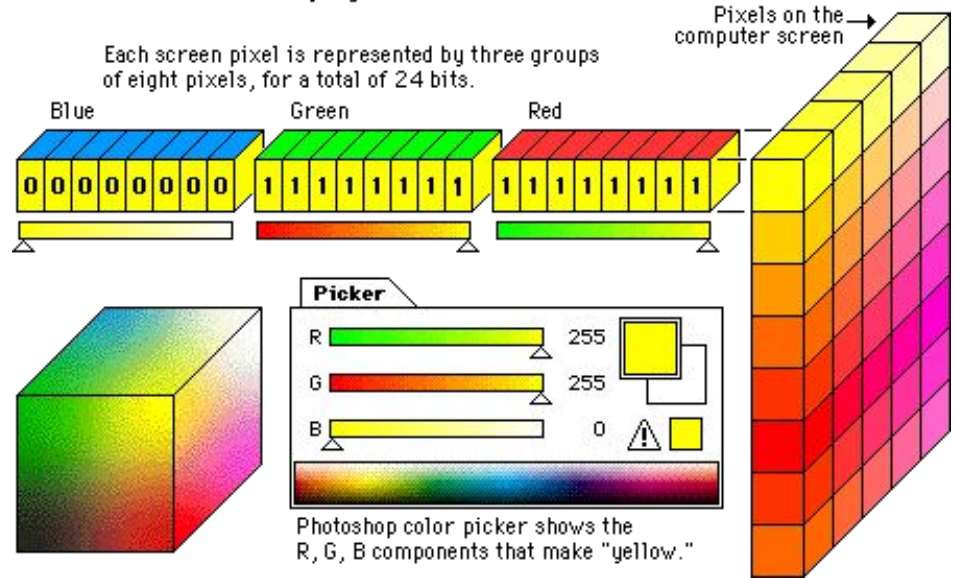
256 colors (Color Look Up Table)



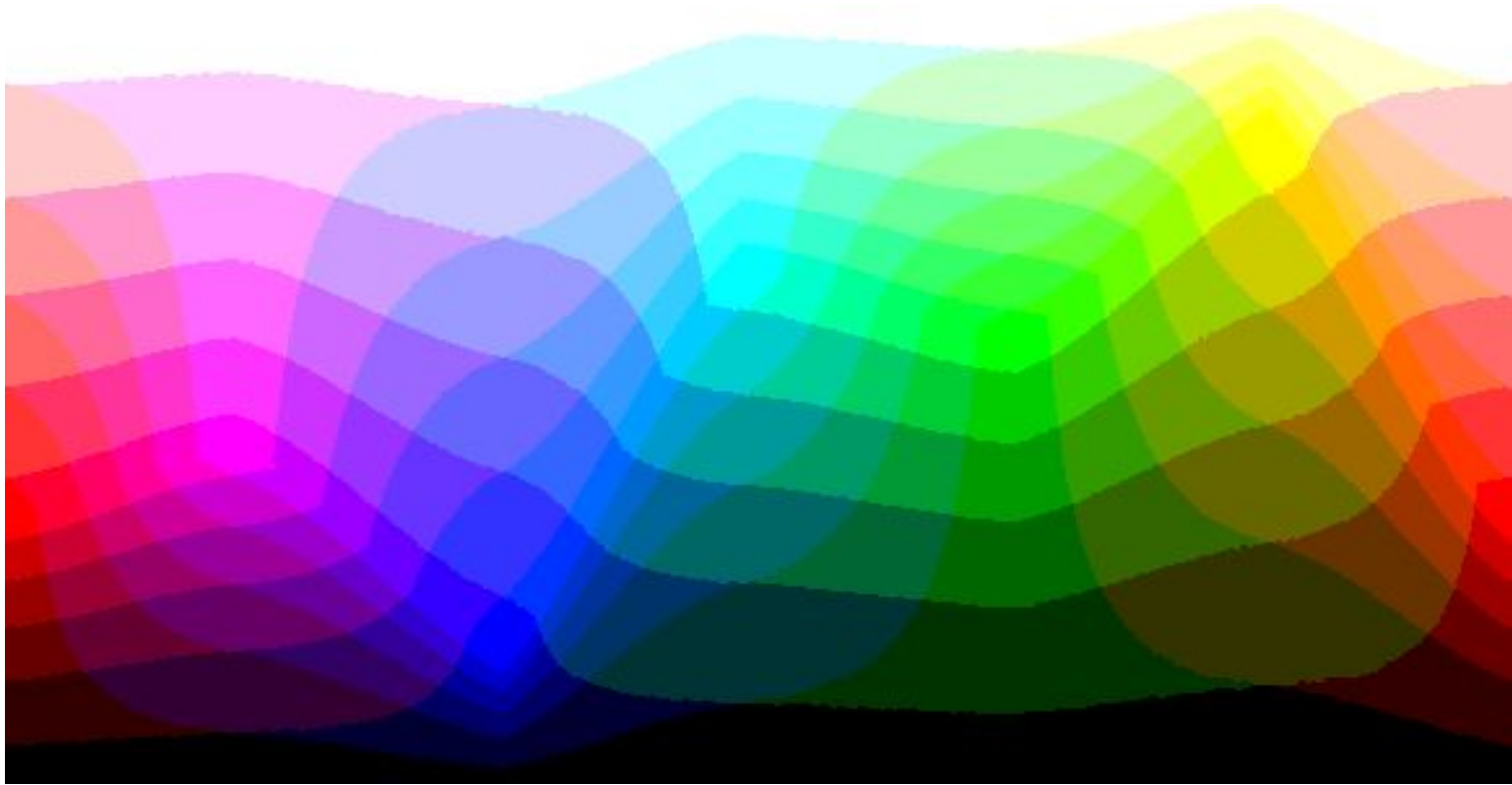
True color

- Each pixel contains actual RGB data
- RGB 8:8:8 corresponds to $2^{24} = 16777216$ colors
- RGB 5:6:5 corresponds to $2^{16} = 65536$ colors

24-bit "true color" displays



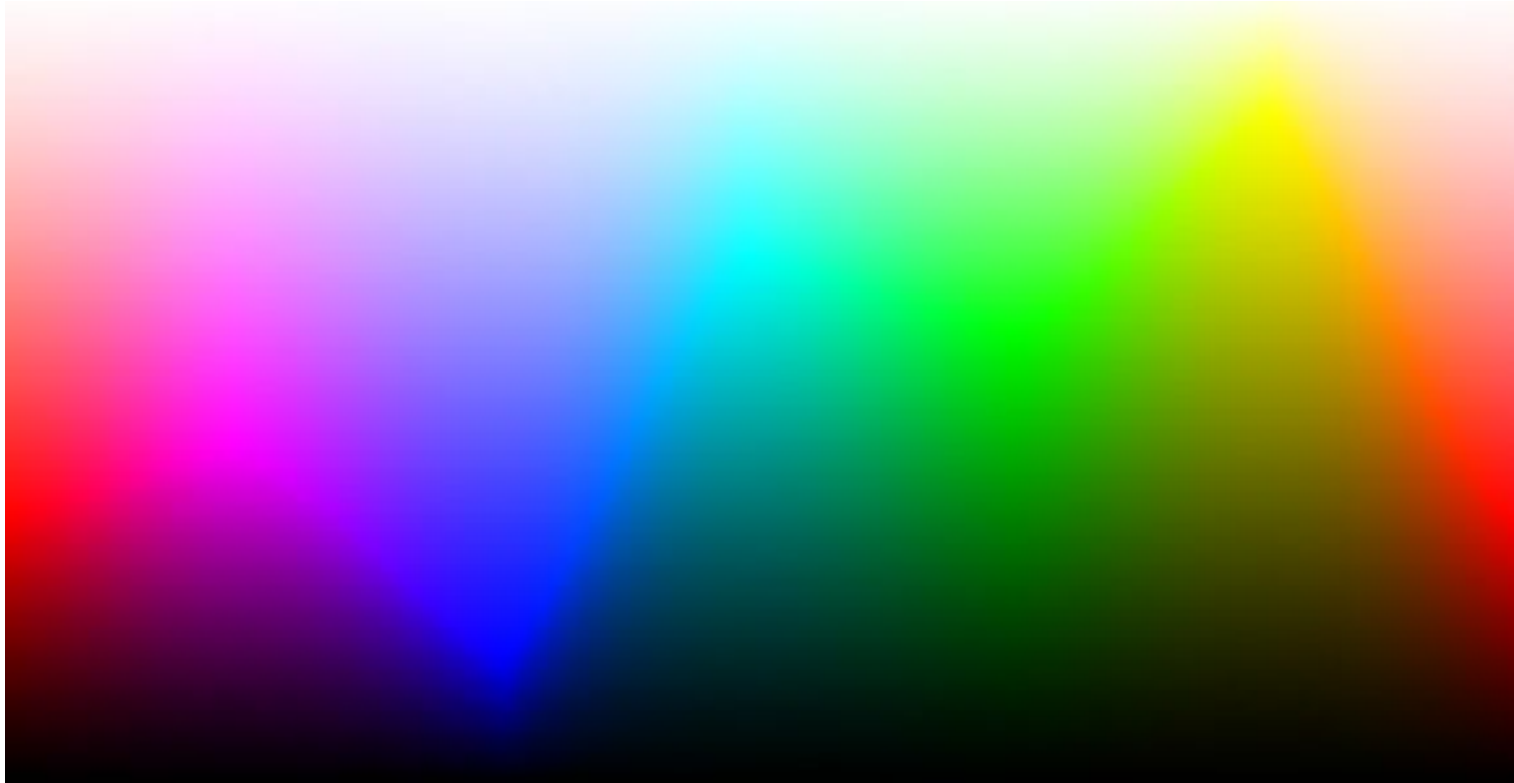
256 colors



16 bits per pixel (RGB 5:6:5)

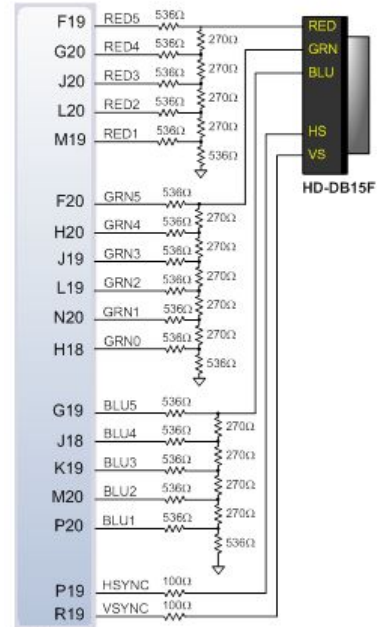
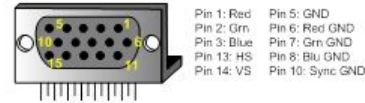


24 bits per pixel (RGB 8:8:8)



Video DAC

- The simplest/cheapest use resistor ladder similar to audio DAC



Zynq-7

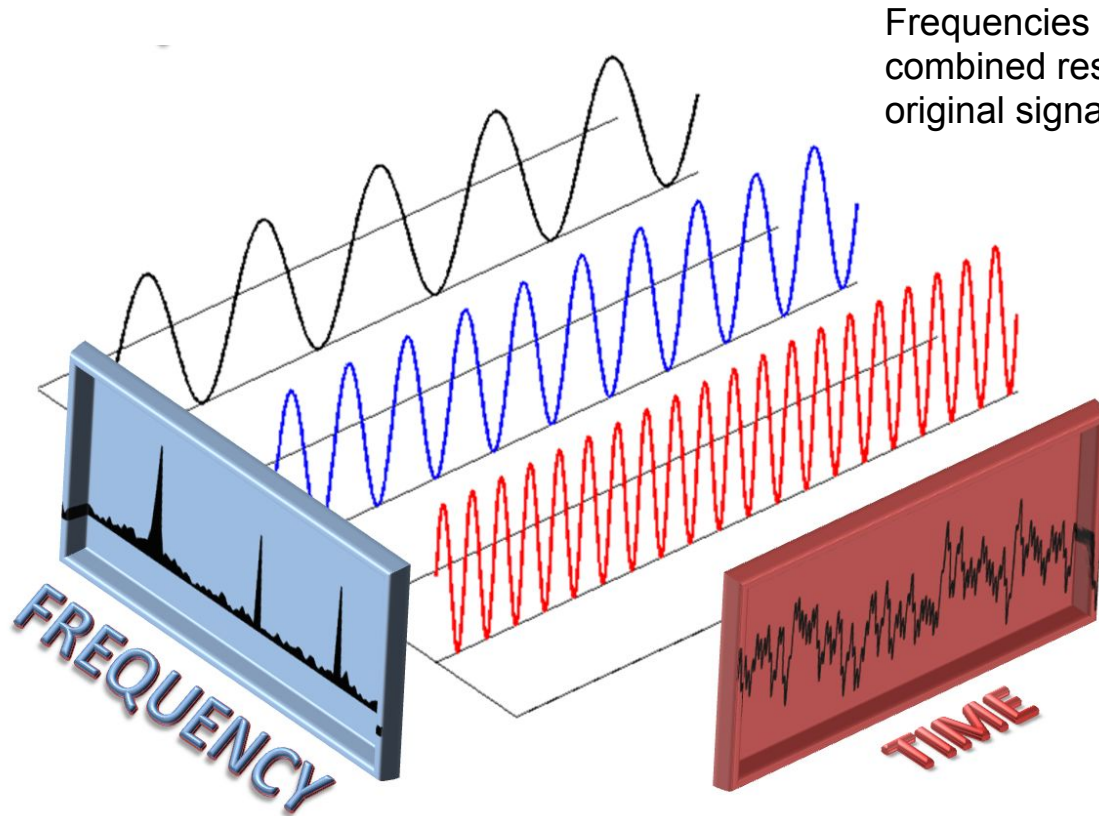
Compression

Fourier transform, RLE, Huffman encoding

Audio compression

- Frames (group of audio samples) are converted from time domain to frequency domain
- Frequencies with low energy are discarded
- Peaking frequencies are rounded
- Adjacent peaks are merged
- Phase offset information is lost

Fourier transform



Frequency domain representation (frequencies and their amplitudes)

Time domain representation (samples)

Image compression

- Photographs
 - High correlation between RGB channels
 - No independent pixels
 - A lot of gradients
- Computer graphics eg. screenshots
 - Adjacent pixels of same color
 - Some pixels occur more frequently than others

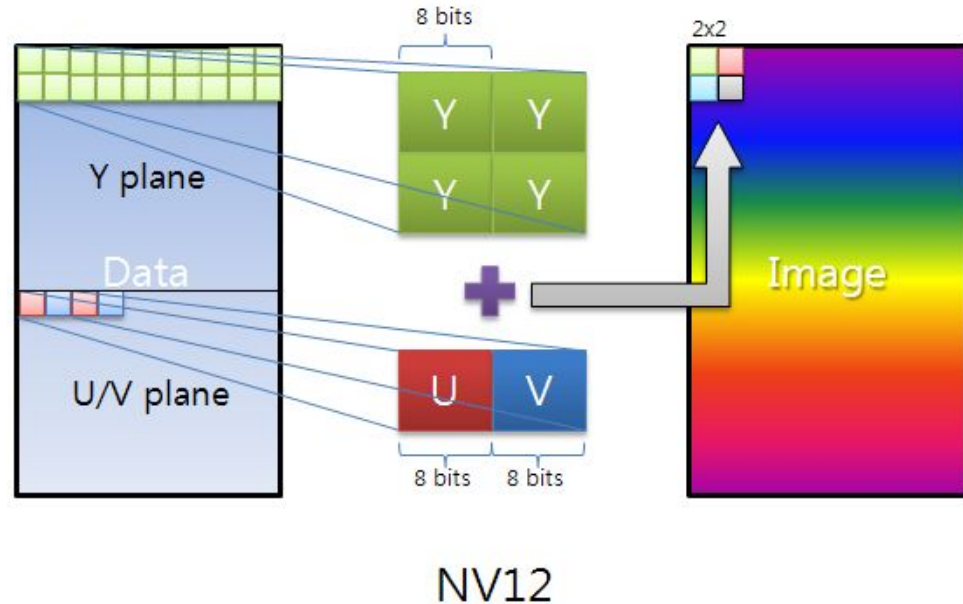
Other colorspace

- YUV or YCbCr used in image/video
- Luma and chroma information instead of RGB
- Less resolution and bit depth for chroma
- No perceived image quality degradation



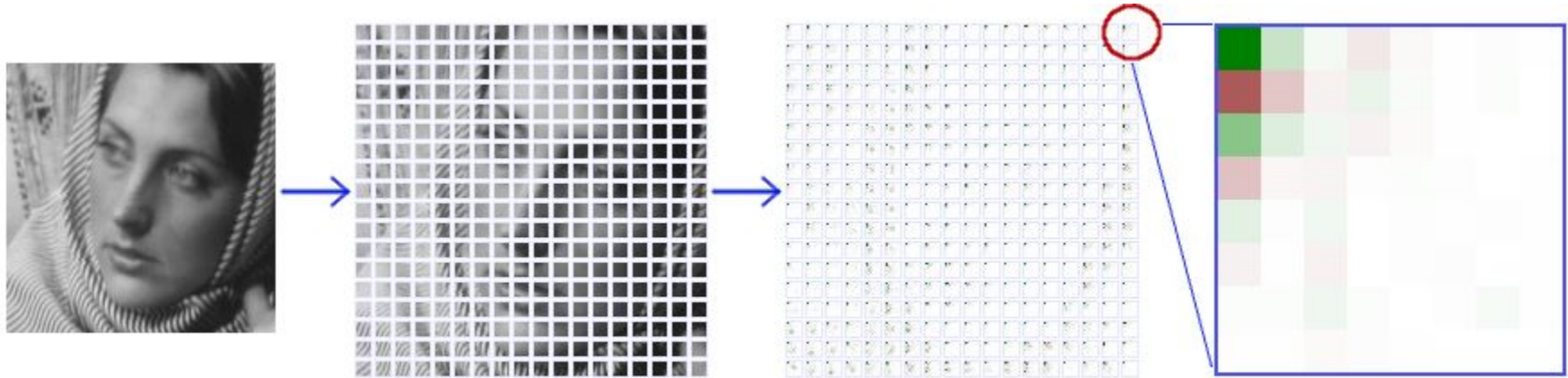
RGB vs YUV

- RGB (8:8:8) representation would result in 12 bytes per 4 pixels
- The representation on right would result in 6 bytes per 4 pixels



Discrete cosine transform

- Used in JPEG, MPEG
- A simplified case of Fourier transform



Original image

*Pixel blocks
(8x8 pixels)*

DCT coefficient blocks

Single coefficient block

Running length encoding

Substitute group of identical numbers:

- How many?
- What number?

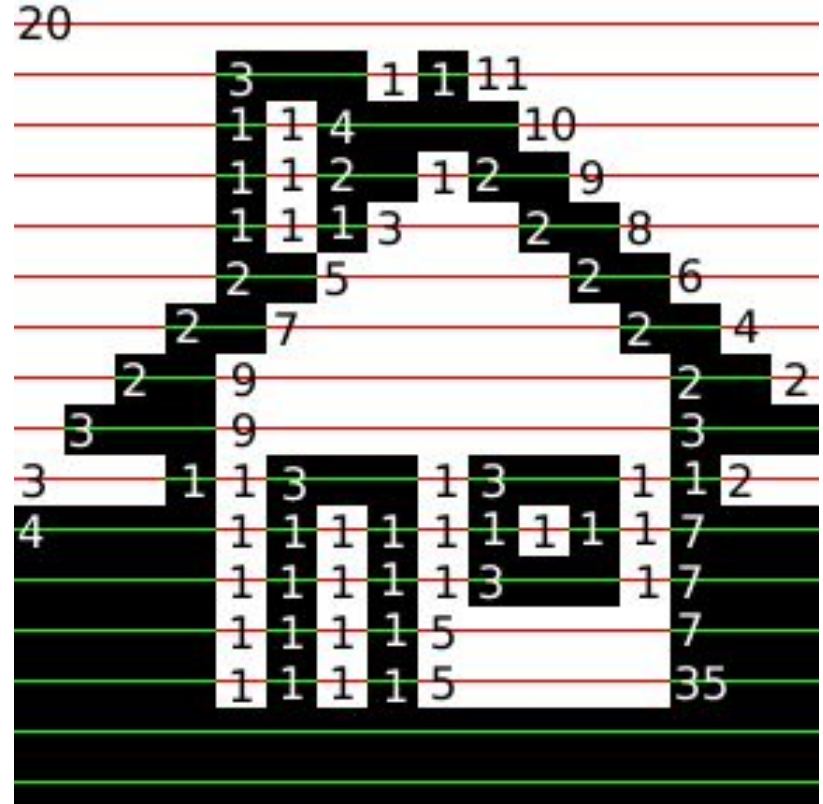


Photo compression with JPEG

- Colorspace transformation from RGB to YCbCr
- Downsampling by discarding chroma bits
- Block splitting usually to 8x8 pixel blocks
- DCT to convert pixels to waves
- Quantization, round off insignificant coefficients
- Running length encoding
- Huffman encoding, use less bits to represent frequently occurring bit sequences

Potential exam questions

- What is 0xFF, 0xFFFF, 0xFFFFFFFF in decimal?
- What is 0755 in binary?
- How many bits are required to describe integer range -63 to 64?
- What integer range / how many colors can be described using 24 bits?
- What color is 0x88FF8800 (ARGB)?

Potential exam questions

- Describe simplest 8-bit stereo DAC
- Describe RGB (4:4:4) DAC
- What is the minimum audio CD capacity assuming stereo sound at 44.1kHz sampling rate and 16-bits per channel for 80 minute album?
- What is the bitrate for 7.1 sound system sampled at 96kHz and 24-bits per channel?

Potential exam questions

- What is the significance of Fourier transform?
- What is time domain representation?
- What is frequency domain representation?
- What is running length encoding?
- What is Huffman encoding?

Where are we know

- We know how to install and run OS
- We know how to use command-line
- We know how to invoke a program
- We know how to represent in binary
 - Plain text, integers, floating point numbers
 - Audio and images
 - How to store them efficiently

What next?

- How is an actual CPU processing the data?