
DIGITAL ARITHMETIC

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Chapter 1: Review of the Basic Number Representations and Algorithms

- General-purpose processors
 - ◊ Main use: numerical computations
 - ◊ Address calculations
 - basic operations
 - fixed point and floating point
 - IEEE standard
 - vector processors
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- Special-purpose (application-specific) processors
 - for numerically intensive applications
 - single computation or classes of computations

Application-specific processor

- Areas of application:
 - signal processing
 - embedded systems
 - matrix computations
 - graphics, vision, multi-media
 - cryptography and security
 - robotics, instrumentation; others?
- Features:
 - better use of technology
 - improvement in speed, area, power
 - flexibility in
 - * implementation; decomposition into modules
 - * number systems and data formats; algorithms
- Need good design tools; difficult to change; FPGAs?

GENERAL-PURPOSE VS. APPLICATION-SPECIFIC

- Flexibility
- Matching specific applications
- Use of VLSI and special technology
- Use of hardware-level parallel processing
- Lower software overhead

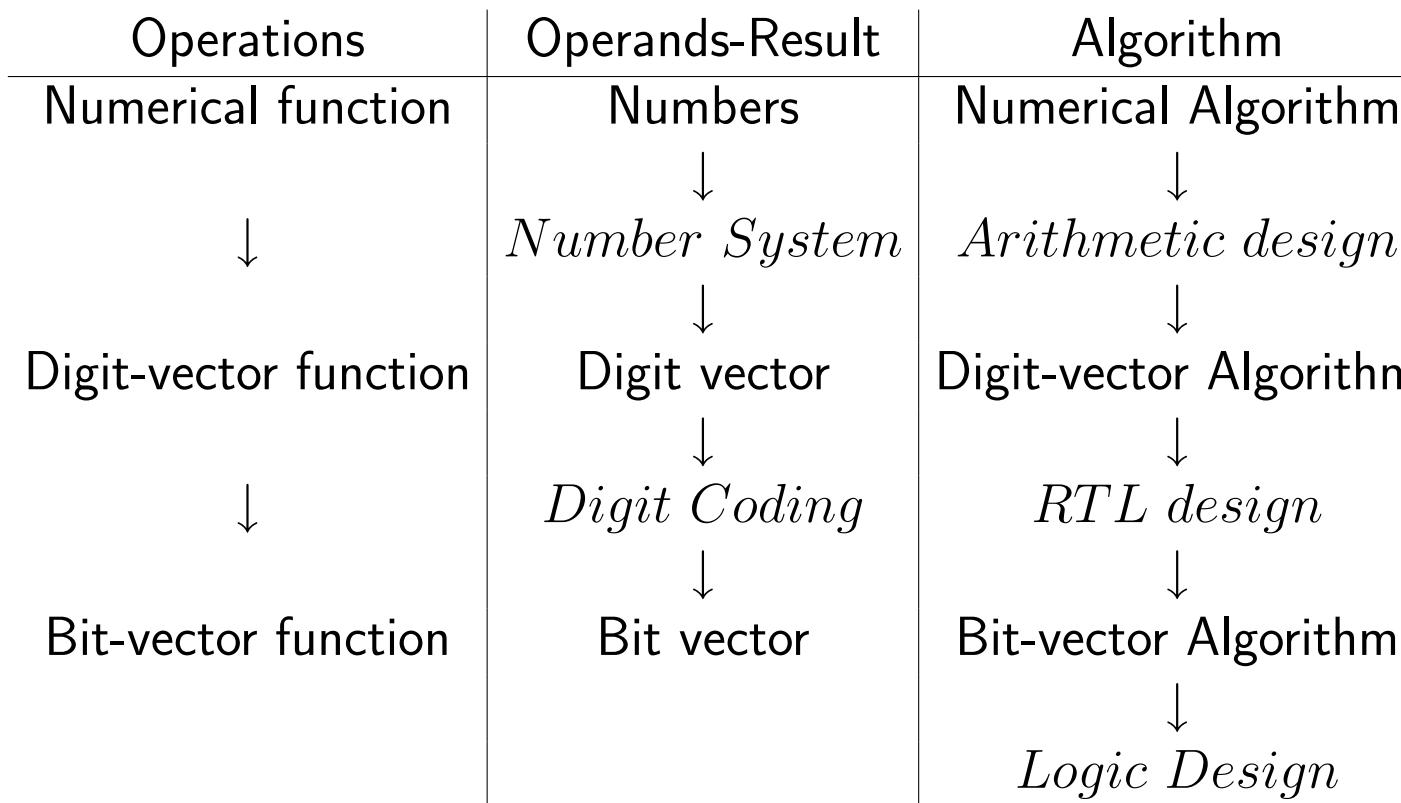
ARITHMETIC PROCESSORS: USER'S VIEW

AP = (operands, operation, results, conditions, singularities)

- Numerical operands and results specified by
 - Set of numerical values $x \in N$ (finite and ordered set)
 - Range $V_{min} \leq x \leq V_{max}$
 - Precision
 - Number representation system (NRS)
- Set of operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication, division
- Conditions: values of the results – zero, negative, etc.
- Singularities: Illegal results – overflow, underflow, Nan, etc.

LEVELS OF DESCRIPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION

- Numerical computations (applications)
- Algorithms
- Arithmetic operations



NUMBER REPRESENTATION SYSTEMS

value: $x \in N \Rightarrow \text{NRS} \Rightarrow X \in V$: digit vector

- Digit Vector

$$X = (x_a, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_b)$$

- indexing:

Leftward Zero Origin (LZ) (integers)

$$X = (x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_0)$$

Rightward One Origin (RO) (fractions)

$$X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

- Digit set D_i - set of values for digit x_i (usually consecutive)

NUMBER REPRESENTATION (cont.)

- Number of (unambiguously) representable numbers

$$|N| \leq \prod |D_i|$$

- Number representation system

$$F : N \rightarrow V$$

- Choose NRS to

- allow efficient computation(s)
- suitable interface with other systems

- Different implementation-performance constraints

⇒ variety of NRS

SOME CHARACTERISTICS OF NRS

- a) Range: finite set of digit-vector values
- b) Unambiguity: two numbers should not have same representation

If $x \in N$, $y \in N$, $x \neq y$ then $F(x) \neq F(y)$

- c) Nonredundant/redundant

Redundant: $F^{-1}(X) = F^{-1}(Y)$

WEIGHTED NUMBER REPRESENTATION SYSTEM

Integer x represented by digit vector $X = (x_{n-1} \dots, x_0)$,

$$x = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \cdot w_i$$

where

$W = (w_{n-1}, \dots, w_0)$ weight vector

Define

$R = (r_{n-1}, \dots, r_0)$ radix vector

so that

$$w_0 = 1 \quad w_i = w_{i-1} r_{i-1}$$

WEIGHTED NUMBER REPRESENTATION (cont.)

- Fixed-radix NRS

$$r_i = r$$

Then $w_i = r^i$ so that

$$x = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i r^i$$

- Canonical digit set

$$D_i = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, |r_i| - 1\}$$

- Conventional number system

- Fixed radix positive
- Canonical digit set

NON-CONVENTIONAL FIXED-RADIX SYSTEM

- Negative radix

$$r = -2, x = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i (-2)^i$$

$$1011 = (-8) + 0 + (-2) + 1 = -9$$

$$0111 = 0 + 4 + (-2) + 1 = 3$$

- Complex radix

$$r = 2j, j = \sqrt{-1}, x_i \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$$
 (Knuth's quarter imaginary)

$$\text{W: } -8j -4 +2j +1$$

$$1231 \implies 1 \times (-8j) + 2 \times (-4) + 3 \times (2j) + 1 \times 1 = -7 - 2j$$

- Non-canonical digit set, $r = 2, \{-1, 0, 1\}$ or $\{0, 1, 2\}$

Example: radix 4 $D = \{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3\}$

$x = 27$ represented by $(1, 2, 3)$ or $(2, -2, 3)$

REDUNDANT NRS

- Fixed radix r
- Non-canonical digit set

$$D = \{-a, -a + 1, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots, b - 1, b\}$$

- Symmetric if $a = b$
- Redundant $a + b + 1 > r$ ($a, b \leq r - 1$)
 - "standard" $a, b \leq r - 1$
 - over-redundant $a, b > r - 1$
 - Redundancy factor

$$\rho = \frac{a}{r - 1}, \quad \rho > \frac{1}{2}$$

EXAMPLES OF REDUNDANT DIGIT SETS

r	a	Digit set	ρ	Comment
2	1	{ -1, 0, 1}	1	minimally/maximally redundant
4	2	{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2}	2/3	minimally redundant
4	3	{-3, -2, ..., 2, 3}	1	maximally redundant
4	4	{-4, ..., 4}	4/3	over-redundant
9	4	{-4, ..., 4}	1/2	non-redundant
10	5	{-5, ..., 5}	5/9	minimally redundant
10	6	{-6, ..., 6}	2/3	redundant
10	9	{-9, ..., 9}	1	maximally redundant
10	13	{-13, ..., 13}	13/9	over-redundant

MIXED-RADIX NUMBER SYSTEM

- $r_i \neq r_j$
- Example: Representation of time $R = (31, 24, 60, 60)$
- Example: Factorial number system

$$\begin{aligned}r_i &= i + 2, \quad i = 0, \dots, n - 1 \\R &= (n + 1, n, \dots, 3, 2) \\w_i &= (i + 1)!\end{aligned}$$

Canonical digit set

Integers in range $0 \leq x \leq (n + 1)! - 1$

NON-WEIGHTED NUMBER SYSTEMS: RESIDUE (RM)

- Base vector B of moduli m_i

$$B = (m_{n-1}, m_{n-2}, \dots, m_0)$$

m_i positive integers and pairwise relatively prime

- Integer x is represented by vector

$$X = (x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_0)$$

where $x_i = x \bmod m_i$

- Represents uniquely integers in the range

$$0 \leq x < \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} m_i$$

(more later)

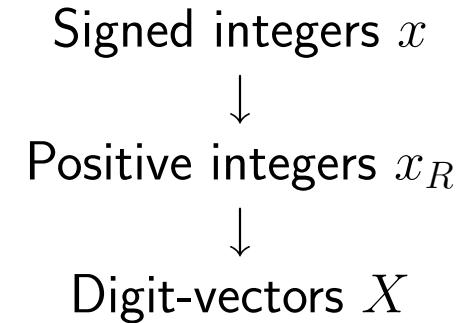
REPRESENTATION OF SIGNED INTEGERS

A. Directly in the number representation

Examples: Signed-Digit Number System

B. With an extra symbol: Sign-and-magnitude

C. Additional mapping on positive integers



Examples:

- True-and-Complement (TC):
 - 2's complement
 - 1s' complement
- Biased representation

TRUE-AND-COMPLEMENT SYSTEM

- $-k \leq x \leq k$ signed integer (implicit value)
- x_R positive integer (representation value)
- C – complementation constant
- Mapping $x_R = x \bmod C$
- Unambiguous if $k < C/2$
- Equivalent to

$$x_R = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ C - |x| & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

- Converse mapping

$$x = \begin{cases} x_R & \text{if } x_R < C/2 \\ x_R - C & \text{if } x_R > C/2 \end{cases}$$

NUMBER REPRESENTATION (cont.)

- x_R represented in any number system
- In fixed-radix system two common choices:
 - 2's complement: $C = r^n$ (Range-complement system)
 - 1s' complement: $C = r^n - 1$ (Diminished-radix-complement)

BIASED REPRESENTATION

- B – bias
- $-k \leq x \leq k$
- $x_R = x + B$
- $B \geq k$

TYPES OF ARITHMETIC ALGORITHMS

- Bottom-up development

Primitives

- + Addition/subtraction
- + Multioperand addition
- + Arithmetic shifts
- + Multiplication by digit
- + Result-digit selection (PLA)
- + Table look-up
- + Multiplication

- Algorithms

- + Composition of primitives

TYPES (cont.)

- (Digit) Recurrences (continued sums)

- ◊ Residual recurrence: $R[i + 1] = f(R[i], X, Y, Z[i], z_{i+1})$

- Uses: Add/sub, single-position shifts, multiplication by digit

- ◊ Output digit selection: $z_{i+1} = g(R[i], X, Y, Z[i])$
(keep $R[i + 1]$ bounded)

- Uses: Comparisons, PLA

- ◊ Result recurrence

$$Z[i + 1] = Z[i] + z_{i+1}r^{i+1} \text{ (continued sum)}$$

- Uses: Concatenation

- Examples:

- ◊ multiplication $R[i + 1] = \frac{1}{r}(R[i] + X \cdot r^n y_i)$

- ◊ division $R[i + 1] = rR[i] - q_{i+1}Y \quad q_{i+1} = g(R[i + 1], Y)$

Types of algorithms

- Continued product recurrences

$$R[i+1] = f(R[i], X, Y, Z[i], z_{z+1})$$

Uses: Add/sub, variable shifts, mult. by digit

$$z_{i+1} = g(R[i], X, Y, Z[i]) \text{ (keep } R[i+1] \text{ bounded)}$$

Uses: Comparisons, PLA

$$Z[i+1] = Z[i](1 + z_{i+1}r^{-(i+1)}) \text{ (continued product)}$$

Uses: Variable shift, addition

- Example:

◇ division

$$\begin{aligned} R[i+1] &= rR[i](1 + q_{i+1}r^{-(i+1)}) + q_{i+1} \\ q_{i+1} &= g(R[i], Y) \\ Q[i+1] &= Q[i](1 + q_{i+1}r^{-(i+1)}) \end{aligned}$$

TYPES (cont.)

- Iterative Approximations

$$Z[i + 1] = f(Z[i], X, Y) \text{ until } g(Z(i)) < \varepsilon$$

Example:

◇ reciprocal

$$Z[i + 1] = Z[i](2 - Z[i]X)$$

- Polynomial Approximations

$$z = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots$$

PERFORMANCE

- Measures
 - + Execution time
 - + Throughput
- Improving speed
 - a) Arithmetic level
 - + Reducing number of steps
 - Example: higher radix
 - Example: combinational instead of sequential
 - + Reducing time of step
 - Example: carry-save adder instead of carry-propagate
 - + Overlap steps (concurrency/pipelining)
 - Example: multiple generation and addition (in mult.)
 - Example: simultaneous additions (in mult.)
 - b) Implementation level
 - + Reduce number of logic levels

POWER AND COST

- Measures

- + Packaging
- + Interconnection complexity
- + Number of pins
- + Number of chips and types of chips
- + Number of gates and types of gates
- + Area
- + Design cost; verification and testing cost
- + Power dissipation
- + Power consumption

- Reduction of cost