CS1800 (Discrete Structures) Prof Higger



Agenda:

- Make some friends
- What does it take to be effective at math?
- how to be successful in CS1800
- Admin stuff:
 - syllabus review
 - please use piazza!
- Numbers in different bases

Welcome everyone!

It tends to be a bit more full on day one, please don't leave any extra seats between you (it may be a full house today)

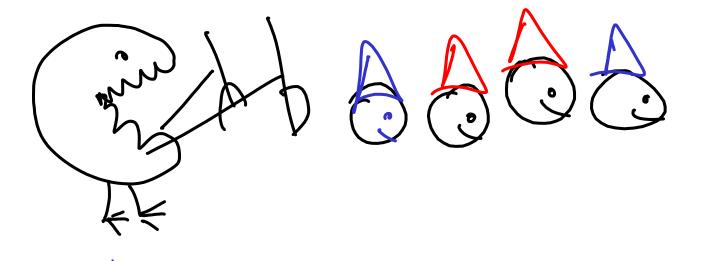
Take the opportunity to make a friend :)

I'd be happy to chat about any individual questions you may have before we start, just come on down

(we'll start a minute or two late, just today, there is an activity I want to make sure nobody misses, thanks for waiting a bit) Make some friends :)

(I have some instructions)

My garden gnome friend is having a problem, can you help him out?



Garden Gnome Problem (please avoid working on this before day1, thank you!)

Given an arbitrary lineup of gnomes with red or blue hats:

A monster starts at the back of the line and asks each, "What color is your hat?": correct response ----> gnome lives incorrect response ---->gnome is eaten!

Where all the gnomes can:

- see all the gnomes in front of them
- hear the response (red / blue) and outcome (eaten / not eaten) of each response behind them

How can the gnomes use *only the responses to signal each other to maximize gnome survival?

In Class Activity 1 (no submissions for any in class activity)

Take 5 to 7 minutes and work on the gnome problem in a small group (no more than 5 please) of your new friends.

Be mindful of how you feel* during the course of the problem. I'll ask a few folks to share this (individually and collectively) just afterwards.

*yes I mean the touchy-feely stuff: e.g. confident, uncomfortable, embaressed, frustrated, excited, angry, fatigued, proud



Being an effective math student:

- Being confused is part of doing a math problem, you're welcome to be confused!

- Hard feelings (frustration, self-doubt, fatigue) will tax our motivation / sharpness:

- work with a good friend (and be a good math friend)
 - be generous and patient helping each other
- take care of your circumstances:
 - eat / sleep well
 - start work early to allow more time if needed

- Don't ignore hard thoughts (e.g. "that HW grade is much lower than I would've liked"), take productive steps for yourself (visit me in office hours!)

- Have fun! (really, no joke: math can be fun). Fun will sustain you while you're working



- 1. Attend all classes in person
- 2. Work hard and be super friendly / cooperative in recitation
- 3. Start your HW early
 - (read it on the day assigned)
- 4. Make use of office hours

(tip: further from due date its super quick to get an appointment)

If you're doing all of this and you'd still like more support, know that we'll be starting a small group TA-led weekly HW tutor session. (details on website, will share shortly)

<website / syllabus policy review & q/a>

(there's some fun math coming just after, I promise!)

no coincidence: "digits" are anatomical and numerical

ANATOMY

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NUMBERS

0, 1, 2, 3, ..., 9 ARE OUR 10 DIGITS

Base 2 - Binary: INTUITION
WHAT VALUE DOES (1011011) REPRESENT?
$$\frac{64}{10} \frac{33}{10} \frac{16}{10} \frac{8}{10} \frac{4}{10} \frac{3}{10} \frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{1$$

Base-10 (Decimal): Representes Values a) 10 Divity
190 = 100.1 + 10.9 + 1.3
=
$$10^{3} \cdot 1 + 10^{4} \cdot 9 + 10^{3} \cdot 3$$

Eavy Place VALUE REPRESENTS A VALUE OF 10⁴

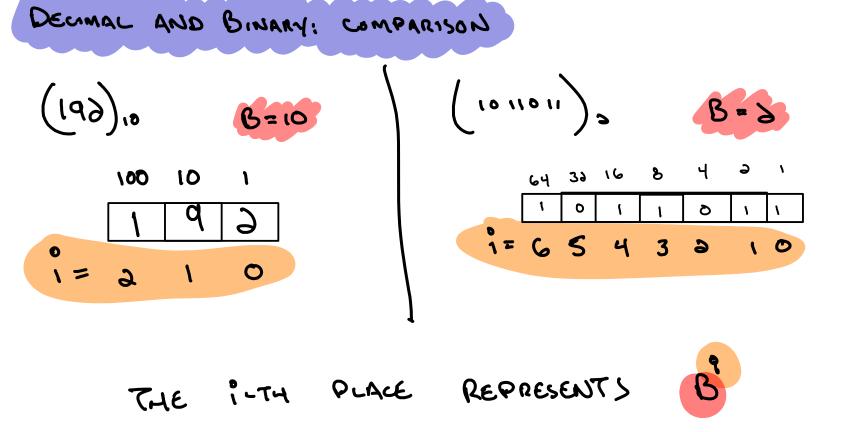
Base-2 (BNARY): REPRESENTING VALUES W/ 2 DIGITS

$$(110)_{2} = 4.1 + 2.1 + 1.0 = 6$$

$$= 2.1 + 2.1 + 2.0$$
Notice:
- We use PARENTHASES W/ SOBSCRIPT TO INDICATE
BINARY (Assume Dase-10 otherwise)
- DINARY Was ONLY 2 DIGITS 8 01

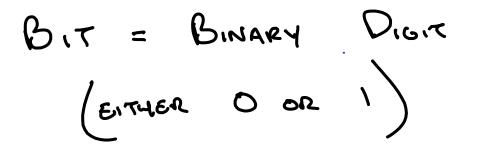






BASE 16 (HEXADECIMAL) REPRESENTING VALVES W/ 16 DIGITS

$$(13F)_{16} = 1.16^{3} + 3.16' + 15.16^{\circ}$$





- What is the smallest and largest value you can represent with 3 binary digits (bits)?
- What are all the values you can represent with 3 binary digits? (11),
- If you wrote these all out in a big column, the smallest on top and largest on bottom, what patterns do you notice?

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Stuck?

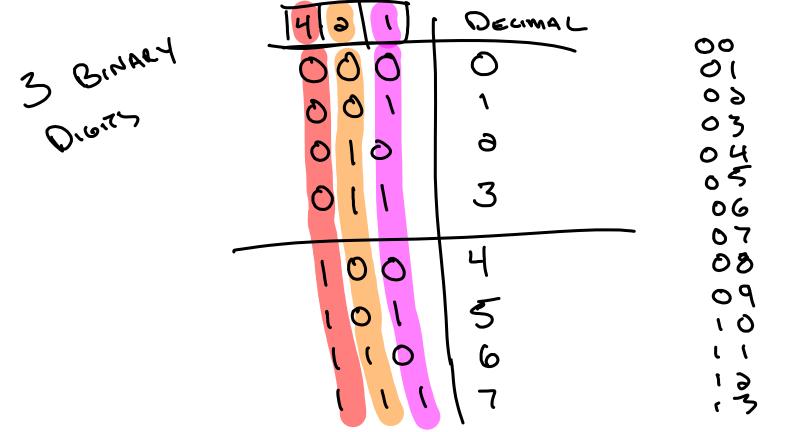
- Try solving a simpler problem by changing "binary" to "base-10" above.

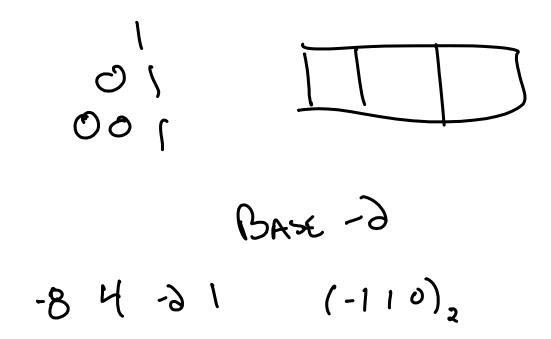
- Ask for help (and check if your new friends need any), cooperation encouraged!

(++ if you still have time)

- What are all the values you can represent with N binary digits?

- What are all the values you can represent with N digits in base b?





IDEA BIGGEST VALUE YOU CAN MARE IS 2^{N-1}

3 2 20

10°10°10°10° 103,45