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# Embedded Microprocessors



**Text Book: TI's Teaching ROMs**

**References: MSP 430 family data sheets  
and user's guides**

**<http://www.ti.com/ww/eu/university/roms.html>**



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# MSP430 Teaching Materials



## Lecture 1 Introductory Overview





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# MSP430 IDEs (1/2)



- ❑ **Main characteristics of the MSP430 Integrated Development Environments (IDEs);**
- ❑ **Available both from TI and third parties;**
- ❑ **Special attention will be given to:**
  - Code Composer Essentials v3;
  - IAR Embedded Workbench (EWB) IDE.
- ❑ **Using an IDE:**
  - Basic functions;
  - Step by step project development;
    - Structure and management (source files; compiling, assembling and linking operations) of projects developed both in C and/or Assembly language.

## ❑ A range of software tools are available for the generation of MSP430 source code:

- **Code Composer Essentials (TI)**
- **IAR EWB - Kickstart ed. (IAR Systems);**
- CrossStudio (Rowley Associates);
- MSPGCC (*open-source community*)...
- SwiftX (Forth, Inc.);
- HI-TECH (HI-TECH software);
- ANSI C (ImageCraft);
- Project-430 (Phyton, Inc.);
- AQ430 (Quadravox);
- ...



## ❑ TI's MSP430 IDE:

## ❑ It is available as:

- A free upgrade for existing v2 users;
- Professional version (\$499), the main features being:
  - Unlimited code size;
  - Can be ordered from the MSP430 web page;
  - Supported by TI Software Support.
- Evaluation Version (Free):
  - 16 kB Limit on C/ASM code size;
  - Download from MSP430 web page;
  - Supported by TI Software Support.







# Code Composer Essentials v3 (2/2)



## ❑ **New features include:**

- Free 16 kB code-limited version;
- Support for large memory model (Place data >64k);
- Enhanced Compatibility with IAR C-code:
  - `#pragma` (ISR declarations), most intrinsics;
- GDB Debugger replaced by TI proprietary debugger that allows faster single stepping;
- Hardware Multiplier libraries (16 bits and 32 bits);
- CCE v2 project support (auto convert);
- Breakpoints:
  - EEM support via unified breakpoint manager;
  - Use of Enhanced Emulation Module (EEM), with predefined Use Cases;
  - Unlimited Breakpoints.

# Starter kit: Experimenter's board



## ❑ Features:

- MSP430F2013;
- MSP430F5438;
- Compatible with TI's wireless evaluation modules.

## ❑ Combining 2 MCUs provides nearly every MSP430 peripherals available.

## ❑ Needs a MSP-FET430 for development





# Starter kit: eZ430-F2013



- ❑ **All 14 input/output pins on the MSP430F2013 are accessible on the MSP-EZ430D target board for easy debugging and interfacing to peripherals;**
  
- ❑ **One of these input/output pins is connected to an LED for visual feedback;**
  
- ❑ **Device features and integrated peripherals:**
  - 16-MIPS performance;
  - 16-bit Sigma Delta ADC;
  - 16-bit timer;
  - Watchdog timer;
  - Brownout detector;
  - USI module supporting SPI and I2C;
  - 5 low power modes (0.5  $\mu$ A standby).



# Starter kit: MSP-EXP430F5438 (1/5)



- ❑ **MSP-EXP430F5438:**
  - MSP430F5438.
  
- ❑ **New features:**
  - Power Management Module (PMM);
  - Unified Clock System (UCS);
  - System (SYS) modules;
  - Expanded memory/peripheral mapping
  - Peripheral module enhancements.
  
- ❑ **Enhanced performance**
  - 20 bit address capability;
  - 32 bit Hardware Multiplier.
  
- ❑ **This board provides the wide range of F5438 peripherals.**



# Starter kit: MSP-EXP430F5438 (2/5)



## ❑ **Device features and integrated peripherals**

- Device: MSP430F5438:
  - 256 kB + 512 kB flash memory; 16 kB RAM.
  
- Integrated peripherals:
  - Three 16-bit timers;
  - 12-bit SAR Analogue-to-Digital Converter;
  - Direct Memory Access (DMA);
  - Hardware multiplier (supporting 32-Bit operations);
  - Universal Serial Communication Interfaces (USCI): Enhanced UART Supporting Auto-Baudrate; IrDA Encoder and Decoder; Synchronous SPI; I2C™;
  - Real time clock module with alarm capabilities;
  - Temperature sensor;
  - Up to 87 I/O pins.



# Starter kit: MSP-EXP430F5438 (3/5)



- ❑ **The MSP430F5438 supports I2C and SPI protocols using the USCI and the USI peripherals;**
  - This protocol is used for inter-processor communication;
  - The link can be disconnected in hardware allowing these peripherals to be used for other communication purposes.
  
- ❑ **Programming and Debugging:**
  - Can be programmed using any MSP430 Flash Emulation Tool (MSP-FET430xIF);
  
- ❑ **Wireless expansion:**
  - Compatible with TI Wireless CCxxxXEMK Evaluation Modules, such as the CC2500EMK.
  - Compatible with TI eZ-RF2500.

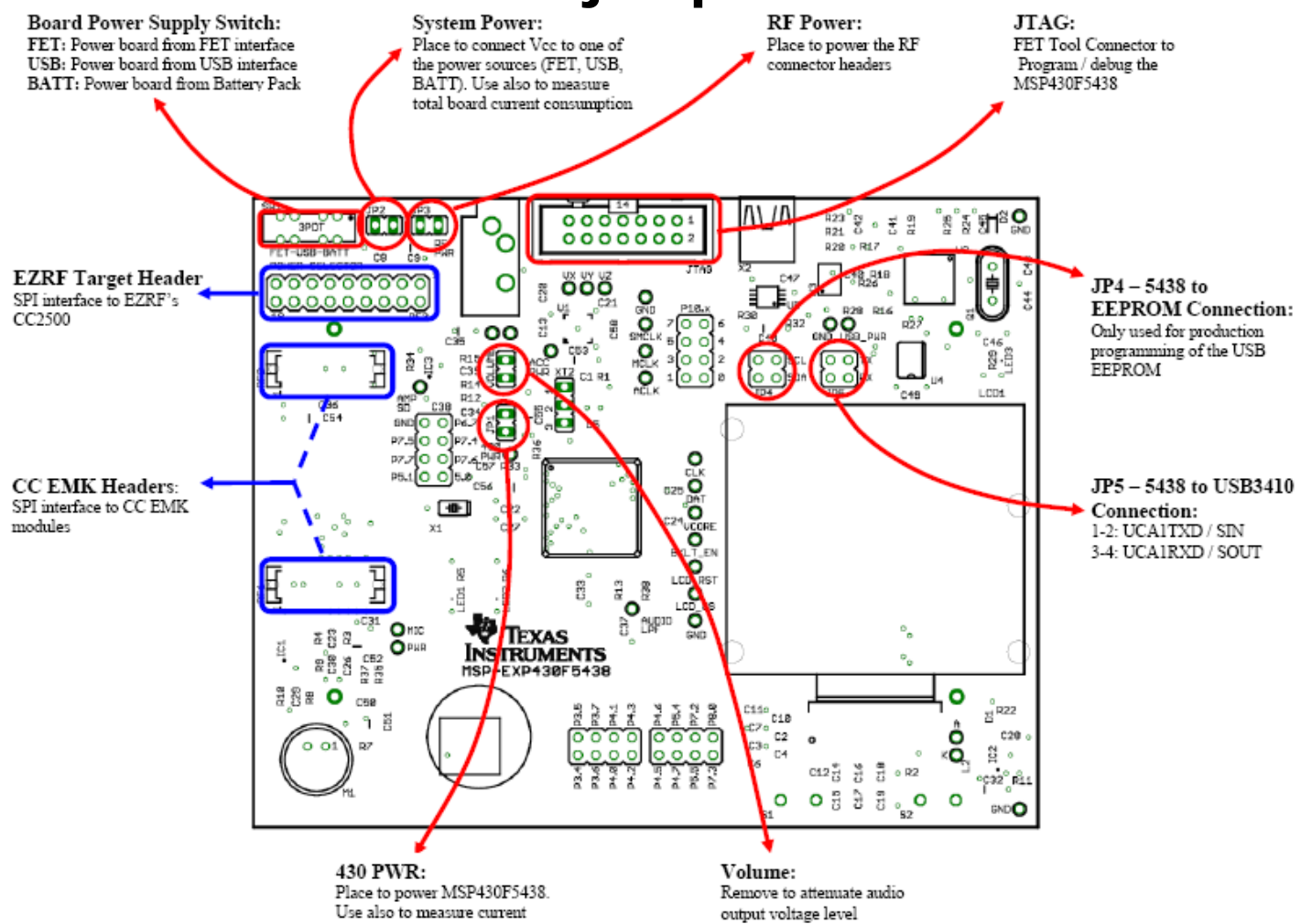


# Starter kit: MSP-EXP430F5438 (4/5)



- ❑ **The demo board has various system clock options that support low and high frequencies.**
  
- ❑ **The MSP430F5438 has integrated an Unified Clock System that provides different clock sources:**
  - Three low-frequency sources:
    - LFXT1;
    - Internal Very Low Power/Low Frequency Oscillator (VLO);
    - Internal Reference Oscillator (REFO).
  - Internal Digitally Controlled Oscillator (DCO) / Frequency Locked Loop (FLL) for highspeed operation:
    - FLL reference selectable from LFXT1, REFO, or XT2.
  - ACLK/SMCLK/MCLK can all be driven from any source;
  - Dedicated MODOSC (internal) used for modules like Flash controller, ADC, among others.

## ❑ MSP-EXP430F5438 demo board jumper and connectors locations:







# Wireless expansion (Chipcon's RF transceiver chip)



- ❑ **CC2500EMK Evaluation Module 2.4 GHz:**
  - The CC2500EM evaluation modules are provided with antennas;
  - These evaluation modules are add-on daughter boards that require a CC2500 development kit for evaluation and development;
  - It allows to do range testing (PER testing) and transfer data from one PC to another using the SmartRF®04DK, in order to evaluate how well the SmartRF®04 products fit the intended application;
  - It allows performing RF measurements.

- ❑ **The flash emulation tool (FET) allow the application development on the MSP430 MCU;**
  
- ❑ **There are available two debugging interfaces:**
  - USB port: MSP-FET430UIF;
  - Parallel port: MSP-FET430PIF.
  
- ❑ **MSP-FET430UIF flash emulation tool:**





# MSP-FET430 Flash Emulation Tool (2/2)



- ❑ **Are used to program and debug the MSP430 in-system through the:**
  - 4-wire JTAG interface: MSP-FET430PIF and MSP-FET430UIF;
  - 2-wire JTAG interface (Spy Bi-Wire): MSP-FET430UIF.
  
- ❑ **These debugging tools interface the previously presented MSP430 hardware development tools to the included integrated software environment (CCE or IAR) and include code to start an application.**
  
- ❑ **Both MSP-FET430 supports development with all MSP430 flash devices.**

- ❑ **Manufacturers of electronic components provide datasheets containing the specifications detailing the part/device characteristics;**
  
- ❑ **Datasheets give the electrical characteristics of the device and the pin-out functions, but without detailing the internal operation;**
  
- ❑ **More complex devices are provided with documents that aid the development of applications, such as:**
  - Application notes;
  - User's guides;
  - Designer's guides;
  - Package drawings, etc...



# How to Read Datasheets (2/6)

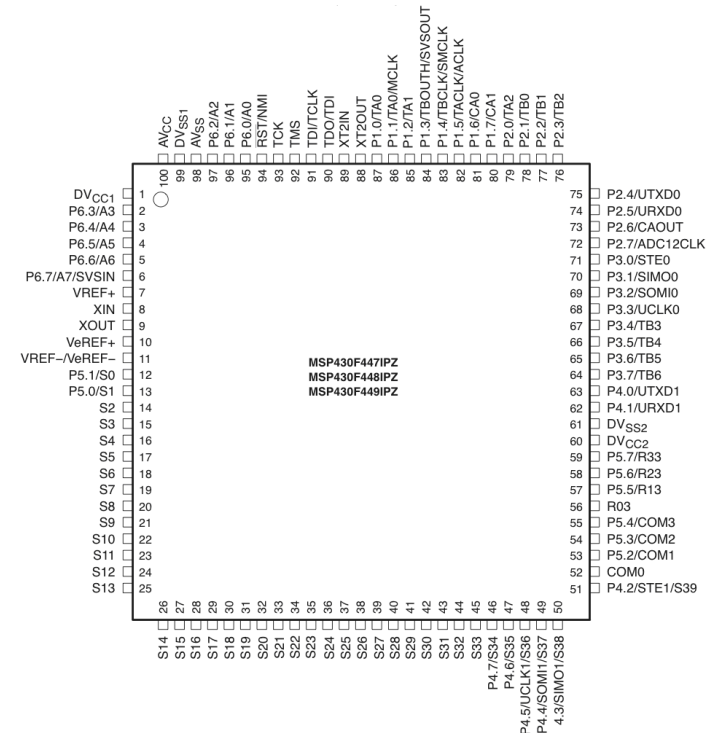


## ❑ Datasheets include information:

- Concerning the part number of the device or device series;
- Electrical characteristics:
  - Maximum and minimum operating voltages;
  - Operating temperature range e.g. 0 to 70 degrees C;
  - Output drive capacity for each output pin, as well as an overall limit for the entire chip;
  - Clock frequencies;
  - Pin out electrical characteristics (capacitance, inductance, resistance);
  - Noise tolerance or the noise generated by the device itself;
  - Physical tolerances...

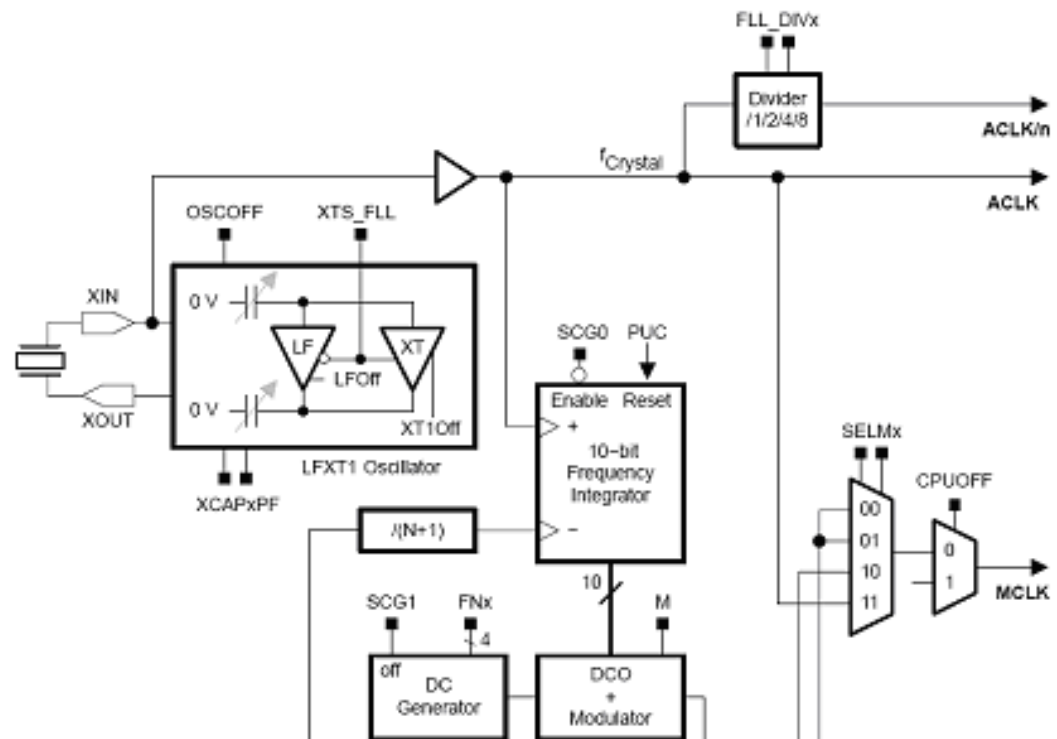
## ❑ MSP430 device datasheet:

- Device has a large number of peripherals;
- Each input/output pin usually has more than one function;
- It has a table with the description of each pin function;
- Example, Pin number 2 = P6.3/A3;
  - Digital Input/Output Port 6 bit 3;
  - 3rd analogue input.



## ❑ MSP430 User's Guide:

- Most peripherals are represented by Block Diagrams.
- Example: Part of the MSP430F44x clock module block diagram:



## ❑ MSP430 User's Guide:

- Example: Part of the MSP430F44x clock module block diagram:  
Detail SELMx;



- Multiplexed block: (4 inputs and 1 output):
  - SELMx = 00: Output routed to the 1st multiplexer output;
  - SELMx = 01: Output routed to the second one and so on;
  - SELMx is a 2-bit *mnemonic*: SELM1 (MSB), SELM0 (LSB).
- To use the peripheral, it is necessary to find out how the register(s) need to be configured:
  - SELMx is in the FLL\_CTL1 register.



## ❑ MSP430 User's Guide:

- SELMx are the 3rd and 4th bits of FLL\_CTL1 control register.

### FLL\_CTL1, FLL+ control register 1

7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	
-	SMCLKOFF	XT2OFF	SELMx		SELS	FLL_DIVx		
Bit	Description							
6	SMCLKOFF	Disable the submain clock signal (SMCLK):						
		SMCLKOFF = 0		⇒	SMCLK active			
		SMCLKOFF = 1		⇒	SMCLK inactive			
5	XT2OFF	Disable the second crystal oscillator (XT2):						
		XT2OFF = 0		⇒	XT2 active			
		XT2OFF = 1		⇒	XT2 inactive			
4-3	SELMx	Select the master clock (MCLK) source:						
		SELM1 SELM0 = 0 0		⇒	DCO			
		SELM1 SELM0 = 0 1		⇒	DCO			
		SELM1 SELM0 = 1 0		⇒	XT2			
		SELM1 SELM0 = 1 1		⇒	LFXT1			
2	SELS	Select the submain clock (SMCLK) source:						
		SELS = 0		⇒	DCO			
		SELS = 1		⇒	XT2			
1-0	FLL_DIVx	Select the auxiliary clock (ACLK) signal divider:						
		FLL_DIV_0 = 0 0		⇒	Divider factor: /1			
		FLL_DIV_1 = 0 1		⇒	Divider factor: /2			
		FLL_DIV_2 = 1 0		⇒	Divider factor: /4			
		FLL_DIV_3 = 1 1		⇒	Divider factor: /8			



# Good software practices for low power consumption (1/2)



## ❑ **C coding tips:**

- Use local variable as much as possible (Local variables use CPU registers whereas global variables use RAM);
- Use unsigned data types where possible;
- Use pointers to access structures and unions;
- Use “static const” class to avoid run-time copying of structures, unions, and arrays;
- Avoid modulo;
- Count down “for” loops.



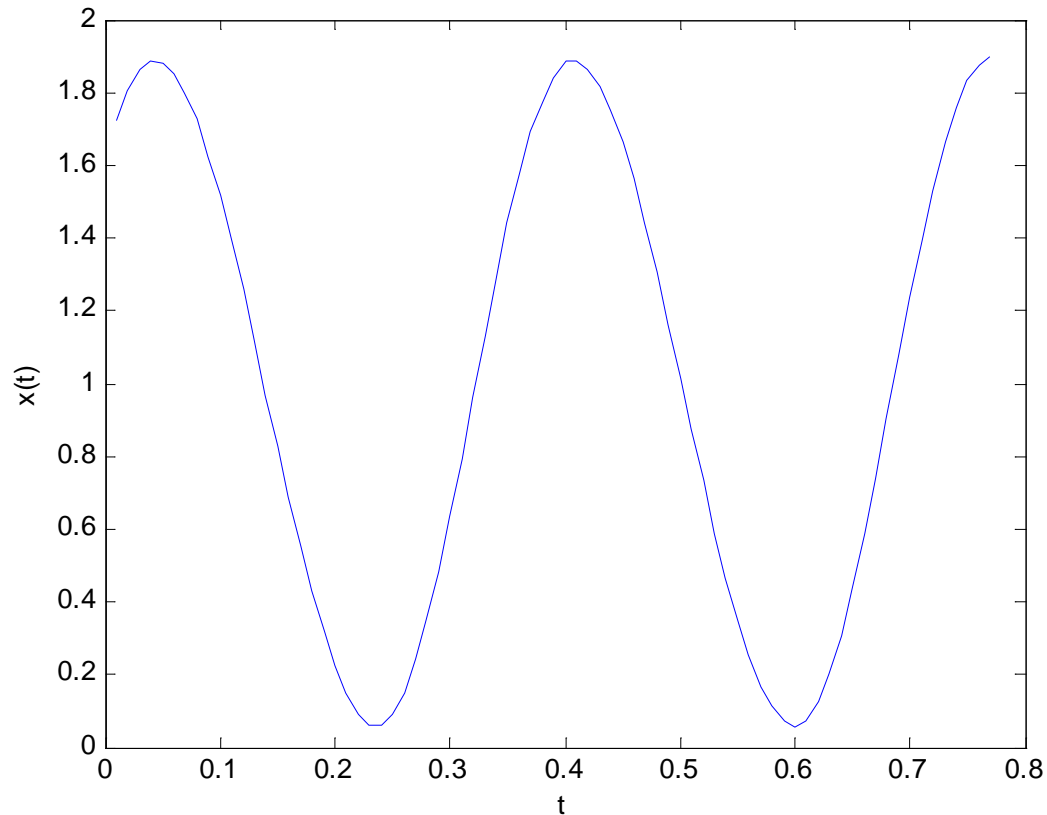
# Good software practices for low power consumption (2/2)



- ❑ **Principles for low power applications:**
  - Maximize the time in standby;
  - Use interrupts to control program flow;
  - Replace software functions with peripheral hardware;
  - Manage the power of internal peripherals;
  - Manage the power of external devices;
  - Device choice can make a difference;
  - Effective code is a must. Every unnecessary instruction executed is a portion of the battery wasted that will never return.

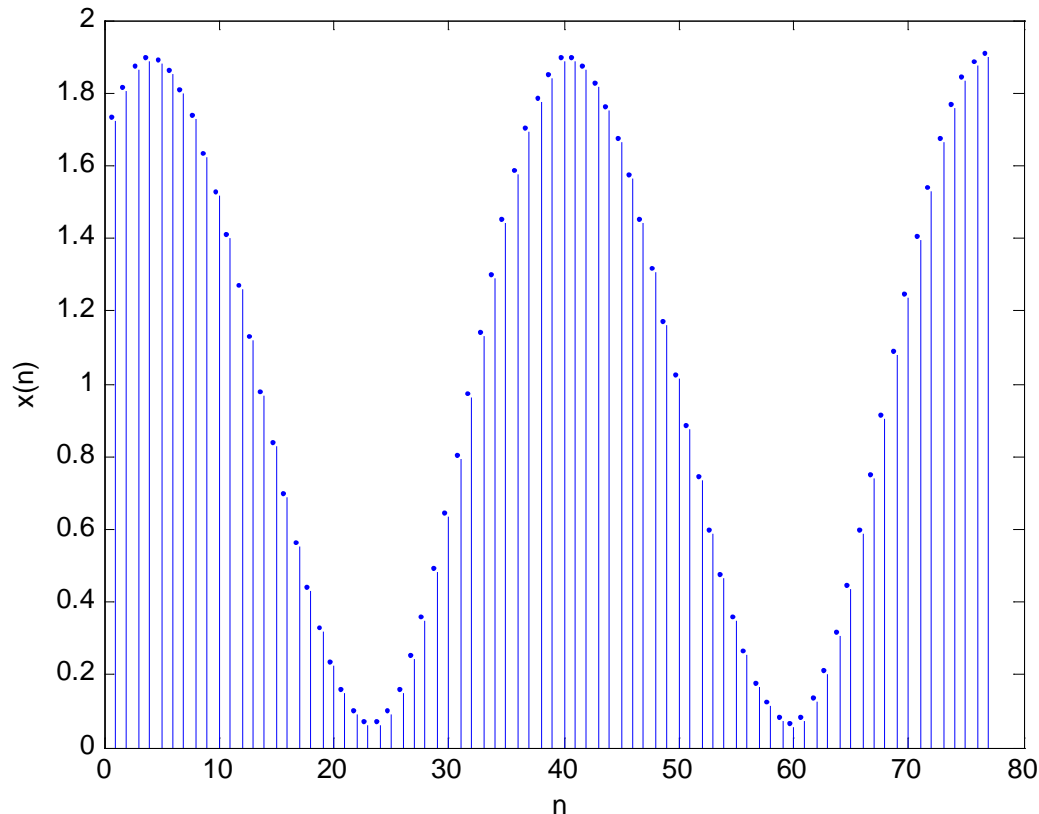
- ❑ **In nature, any measurable quantity in time or in space can be considered a signal;**
  - Example: The velocity of a body, as function of time or as function of position, can be represented by a signal.
  
- ❑ **Analogue signal can:**
  - Represent every value possible;
  - Swing through a “continuum” of values;
  - Provide information at every instant of time.
  
- ❑ **A digital signal assumes only a finite number of values at only specific points in time.**

## □ Example: analogue signal:



## □ Example: discrete analogue signal:

- This analogue signal can be discretized in time, using a sampling period,  $T$ :





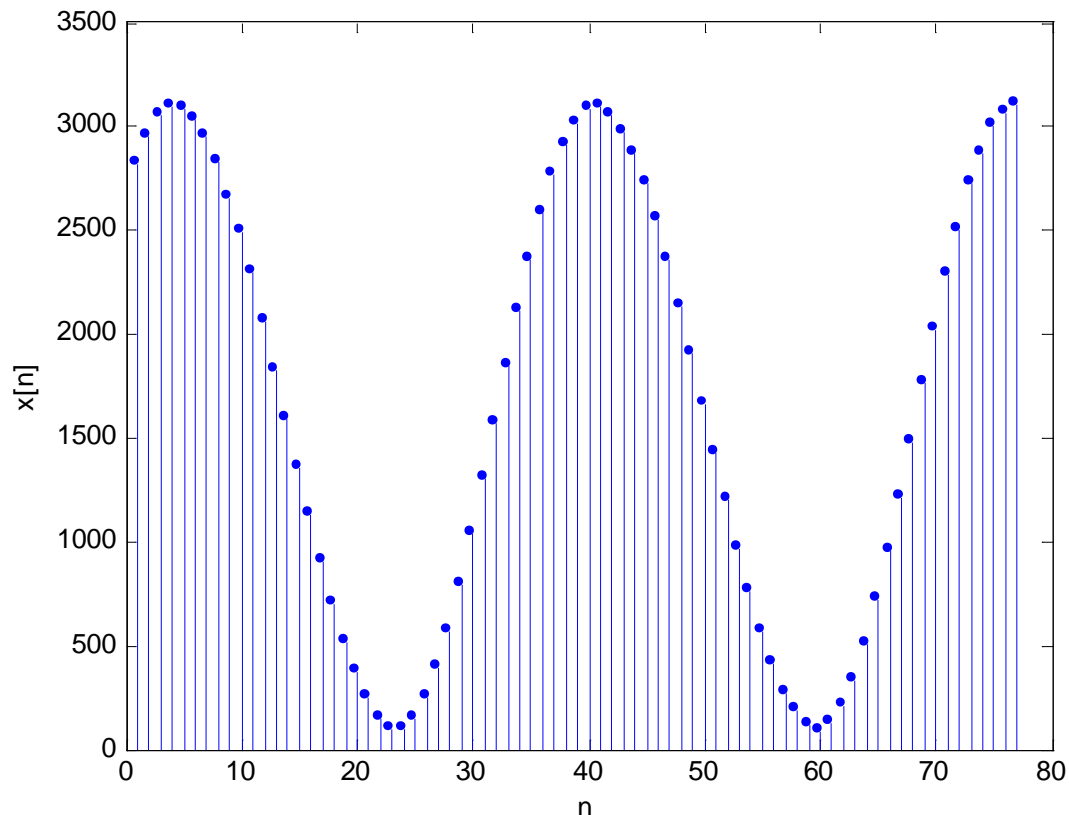
# Analogue and Digital Signals (4/5)



- ❑ **The information contained in the signal only can be used by a computer if an amplitude conversion from the analogue domain to the digital domains is performed;**
  
- ❑ **Digital signal:**
  - Rounds off all values to a certain precision or a certain number of digits.
  
- ❑ **Digital signal advantage:**
  - Easiness of data storage and manipulation.

## □ Example: quantized digital signal:

- Result of the analogue signal conversion, performed by a 12-bit Analogue-to-Digital Converter (ADC) with 2.5 V full-scale:







# Mathematical Notations (1/16)



- ❑ **A base number is a notation that through symbols represents a consistent numerical value.**
  
- ❑ **Depending on the numerical basis, the representation 11 may correspond to:**
  - Eleven for the base decimal (or radix decimal);
  - Three for the base binary;
  - Or some other number, depending on the base used.

## □ Decimal numerical base representation review:

$$1234_{10} = 1 \times 10^3 + 2 \times 10^2 + 3 \times 10^1 + 4 \times 10^0$$

- Each of the symbols is multiplied by a weight of base 10;
- As it moves from right to left the weight is increased.

## □ General form for a number in base $b$ :

$$a_{n-1}b^{n-1} + a_{n-2}b^{n-2} + \dots + a_0b^0$$

- $n$  is the length of the numerical representation;
- $\{a_{n-1}, a_{n-2}, \dots, a_0\}$  is the numerical representation ordered increasingly (natural numbers of the set  $\{0, \dots, b-1\}$ ).

## □ Binary Number Base System:

- Computers can only take two states, so they use the base binary (base 2 );
- The states allowed are "open" or "closed", "high" or "low", "1" or "0 ";

- Example:  $010100_2$

$$= 0 \times 2^5 + 1 \times 2^4 + 0 \times 2^3 + 1 \times 2^2 + 0 \times 2^1 + 0 \times 2^0 = 20_{10}$$

- Representation:

Position	5	4	3	2	1	0
Weight	$2^5$	$2^4$	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$
	32	16	8	4	2	1
Base 2	0	1	0	1	0	0



## ❑ Hexadecimal Number Base System:

- A difficulty that arises from the binary system is that it is verbose;
- To represent the value  $202_{10}$  in base 2 (binary) requires eight binary digits;
- The decimal version requires only three decimal digits and so represents numbers much more compactly;
- The hexadecimal (base 16) numbering system solves these problems.
  - Hexadecimal numbers are very compact;
  - It is easy to convert from hexadecimal to binary and binary to hexadecimal.



# Mathematical Notations (5/16)



## □ Hexadecimal Number Base System:

- Set:  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, A, B, C, D, E, F\}$ ;
- Representation comes directly from the binary representation.
- Example:  $010100_2$ 
  - Split the value  $010100_2$  in groups of 4 bits from right to left.
  - Pad out the short group with zeros at the front of the second group:  
 $0001\ 0100_2 = 0x14$  or  $(14_{16})$
- Example:  $0x0ABCD$ 
  - Convert each hexadecimal digit to its binary counterpart:  
 $= 0000\ 1010\ 1011\ 1100\ 1101_2$

## ❑ Decimal to Binary Conversion:

- **Example 1:** Decimal number  $721_{10}$  to binary conversion:

$$721_{10} = 700 + 20 + 1 = 7 \times 10^2 + 2 \times 10^1 + 1 \times 10^0$$

$2^{10} = 1024_{10}$  (Higher than 3rd power decimal value,  $10^3$ );

$2^9 = 512_{10}$  (MSB:  $1 \times 2^9$ ):  $721 - 512 = 209$ ;

$2^8 = 256_{10}$  (Higher than 209, the 2nd bit:  $0 \times 2^8$ );

$2^7 = 128_{10}$  (3rd bit is:  $1 \times 2^7$ ):  $209 - 128 = 81$ ;

$2^6 = 64_{10}$  (4th bit is:  $1 \times 2^6$ ):  $81 - 64 = 17$ ;

$2^5 = 32_{10}$  (Higher than 17, the 5th bit is:  $0 \times 2^5$ );

$2^4 = 16_{10}$  (6th bit is:  $1 \times 2^4$ ):  $17 - 16 = 1$ ;

$2^3 = 8_{10}$  (Higher than 1, the 7th bit:  $0 \times 2^3$ )

$2^2 = 4_{10}$  (Higher than 1, the 8th bit:  $0 \times 2^2$ );

$2^1 = 2_{10}$  (Higher than 1, the 9th bit:  $0 \times 2^1$ );

$2^0 = 1_{10}$  (10th bit - LSB):  $1 \times 2^0$ ;

Result:  $721_{10} = 1011010001_2$



# Mathematical Notations (7/16)



- This conversion method consists of continuously subtracting the highest power of 2 not higher than the remainder. If it can be subtracted, mark the corresponding position with '1', else with '0'.

## □ **Decimal to Binary Conversion:**

- Other method: Continuously divide by 2. The division remainder value is the corresponding position binary digit.

$$103_{10} = 100 + 3 = 1 \times 10^2 + 0 \times 10^1 + 3 \times 10^0$$

$$103/2 = 51 \quad \text{Remainder: 1 (LSB)}$$

$$51/2 = 25 \quad \text{Remainder: 1}$$

$$25/2 = 12 \quad \text{Remainder: 1}$$

$$12/2 = 6 \quad \text{Remainder: 0}$$

$$6/2 = 3 \quad \text{Remainder: 0}$$

$$3/2 = 1 \quad \text{Remainder: 1}$$

$$1/2 = 0 \quad \text{Remainder: 1 (MSB)}$$

$$\text{Result: } 103_{10} = 1100111_2$$

## ❑ Binary to Decimal Conversion:

- **Example 2:** Convert the binary number  $1010111_2$  to decimal notation.
- This method is the inversion of method presented in example 1.

The binary number was 7 bits:

MSB:	1	=	1	x	$2^6$	=	64
6th bit:	0	=	0	x	$2^5$	=	0
5th bit:	1	=	1	x	$2^4$	=	16
4th bit:	0	=	0	x	$2^3$	=	0
3rd bit:	1	=	1	x	$2^2$	=	4
2nd bit:	1	=	1	x	$2^1$	=	2
LSB:	1	=	1	x	$2^0$	=	1
							+
							<hr/>
							87 <sub>10</sub>

Result:  $1010111_2 = 87_{10}$





## ❑ Binary to Hexadecimal Conversion:

- The conversion from an integer binary number to hexadecimal is accomplished by:
  - Breaking the binary number into 4-bit sections from the LSB to MSB;
  - Converting the 4-bit binary number to its hexadecimal equivalent.
- **Example 3:** Convert the binary value  $1010111110110010_2$  to hexadecimal notation.

1010	1111	1011	0010
A	F	B	2

**Result:**  $1010111110110010_2 = 0xAFB2$



# Mathematical Notations (10/16)



## ❑ Hexadecimal to Binary Conversion:

- The conversion from an integer hexadecimal number to binary is accomplished by:
  - Converting the hexadecimal number to its 4-bit binary equivalent;
  - Combining the 4-bit sections by removing the spaces.
- **Example 4:** Convert the hexadecimal value  $0x0AFB2$  to binary notation.

Hexadecimal:	A	F	B	2
Binary:	1010	1111	1011	0010

Result:  $0xAFB2 = 1010111110110010_2$

## ❑ Hexadecimal to Decimal Conversion:

- To convert from Hexadecimal to Decimal, multiply the value in each position by its hexadecimal weight and add each value;
- **Example 5:** Convert the hexadecimal number 0x0AFB2 to decimal notation.

$A * 16^3$	$F * 16^2$	$B * 16^1$	$2 * 16^0$	
$10 * 4096$	$15 * 256$	$11 * 16$	$2 * 1$	
40960	+ 3840	+ 176	+ 2	= 44978 <sub>10</sub>

**Result:** 0x0AFB2 = 44978<sub>10</sub>



# Mathematical Notations (12/16)



## □ **Decimal to Hexadecimal Conversion (Repeated Division by 16):**

- **Example 6:** Convert the decimal number  $44978_{10}$  to hexadecimal notation.

Division	Quotient	Remainder	Hexadecimal
$44978/16$	2811	2	2
$2811/16$	175	11	B2
$175/16$	10	15	FB2
$10/16$	0	10	0AFB2

Result:  $44978_{10} = 0x0AFB2$



# Mathematical Notations (13/16)



## □ Example:

- Sum of two binary numbers:

$$\begin{array}{r} 01011101_2 \\ + 00010110_2 \\ \hline 01110011_2 \end{array}$$

- Multiplication of two binary numbers:

$$\begin{array}{r} 01011101_2 \\ \times 0110_2 \\ \hline 00000000 \\ 01011101 \\ 01011101 \\ + 00000000 \\ \hline 01000101110_2 \end{array}$$



# Mathematical Notations (14/16)



## ❑ **Negative numbers representation:**

- One's complement notation;
- Two's complement notation.

## ❑ **One's complement:**

- Complement each bit of the number represented;
- Example:  $0001\ 0100_2$ ;
- One's complement  $\rightarrow 1110\ 1011_2$ ;
- MSB = 1, means that the representation corresponds to a negative number;
- However, this representation cannot be used directly to carry out mathematical operations – it gives wrong results.



# Mathematical Notations (15/16)



## ❑ **Two's complement:**

- Perform one's complement and then add 1 to the result;
- The task "subtract two numbers" has been transformed into "add the complement" - so a total different operation 'ADD' instead of 'SUB' is used.

- **Example:**  $0001\ 0100_2$ ;

- Two's complement  $\rightarrow 1110\ 1011 + 1 = 1110\ 1100_2$ ;

- Example: Subtraction operation:

$$0101\ 1101_2 - 0001\ 0100_2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0101\ 1101_2 \\ + 1110\ 1100_2 \\ \hline 0100\ 1001_2 \end{array} \quad \leftarrow \text{Two's complement representation} \right. \\ \left. \text{(Positive result: MSB = 0)} \right.$$



# Mathematical Notations (16/16)



## ❑ **Two's complement:**

- Eliminates the double representation of the zero value;
- Allows addition and subtraction operations to be carried out without need to take the sign of the operands into account;
- Example: Subtraction operation:

$$1010\ 0011_2 - 0001\ 0110_2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1010\ 0011_2 \\ + \underline{1110\ 1010_2} \\ \hline 1000\ 1101_2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \leftarrow \text{Two's complement} \\ (\text{Negative result: MSB} = 1) \end{array}$$





- ❑ **Representation of fractional numbers:**
  
- ❑ **Two different ways:**
  - Fixed-point;
  - Floating-point.
  
- ❑ **Fixed-point representation:**
  - Allows us to represent the fractional part;
  - Consumes less processing resources than floating-point;



## □ Representation of fractional numbers (continued):

### ▪ Binary base signed numbers representation:

- In the sign and absolute value notation:
  - MSB is reserved to the sign (0: positive; 1: negative);
  - Magnitude of the value is represented by the others bits;
  - Value of zero has two representations.

### ▪ Fixed point representation notation: signed numbers:

Binary value	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
Sign and absolute value	+0	+1	+2	+3	-0	-1	-2	-3
One's complement	+0	+1	+2	+3	-3	-2	-1	-0
Two's complement	+0	+1	+2	+3	-4	-3	-2	-1

## □ Representation of fractional numbers (continued):

### ▪ Fixed-point numerical representation:

- Easily implemented within a short memory space;
- Rapid to implement;
- Suited to real-time applications that do not have a floating point coprocessor.

### ▪ A fixed point integer value, $A$ , with $n$ bits, is given by the notation ( $UQ_{p.q}$ ):

- $U$ : unsigned (no sign bit)
- $p + q = n$  identifies an unsigned number
- $p$  bits: integer component;
- $q$  bits: fractional component.

$$a_u = \frac{A}{2^q}$$

- Limits:  $0 \leq a_u \leq \frac{2^{p+q} - 1}{2^q}$
- Resolution:  $r = 2^{-q}$



## ❑ Representation of fractional numbers (continued):

### ▪ Fixed point numerical representation:

Format	Minimum	Maximum	$r$	$n$	$p$	$q$
(UQ16.)	0	$2^{16}-1$	1	16	16	0
(UQ.16)	0	$1-2^{-16}$	$2^{-16}$	16	0	16
(Q15.)	$-2^{15}$	$2^{15}-1$	1	16	15	0
(Q.15)	-1	$1-2^{-15}$	$2^{-15}$	16	0	15
(UQ16.16)	0	$2^{16}-1$	$2^{-16}$	32	16	16
(Q15.16)	$-2^{15}$	$2^{15}-2^{-16}$	$2^{-16}$	32	15	16



## □ Representation of fractional numbers: Fixed-point

### ▪ Example 1:

▪ Convert the decimal number  $123.045_{10}$  into hexadecimal.

• Decimal representation:  $123.045_{10}$

• Integer component:  $123_{10} = 7B_{16}$

• Fractional component:  $0.045_{10} = 0.0B8_{16}$

• Result:  $123.045_{10} = 7B.0B8_{16}$



## □ Representation of fractional numbers: Fixed-point (cont.)

### ▪ **Example 2:**

- Convert the decimal number  $8751.135_{10}$  into a hexadecimal representation.

- Integer component:  $8751_{10} = 222F_{16}$

- Fractional component:  $0.135_{10} = 0.228_{16}$

- Result:  $8751.135_{10} = 222F.228_{16}$



## □ Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point

- In floating-point number representation, the radix point position can float relatively to the significant digits of the number;
- This detail allows the support of a much wider range of values when compared with the fixed point number representation;
- Before 1958 IEEE 754 standard, the floating-point representation of numerical values was made through different formats and word widths;
- Nowadays, the IEEE 754 standard is accepted almost by all kind of computers.



- ❑ **Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point (cont.)**
  - From the set of formats supported by IEEE 754 standard, the most widely used are the single-precision (32-bit) and double-precision (64-bit);
  - Moreover, the standard also establishes others kinds of formats: "quad" binary and decimal floating-point (128-bit); and double decimal floating-point (64-bit);
  - Less used are the extended precision (80-bit) and half-precision (16-bit) formats. The last one appears in the IEEE 754r proposed revision;
  - Standard current version is IEEE 754-2008, which was published in August 2008.



## □ Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point (cont.)

- In the data structure of floating-point numbers, the most significant bit is the sign bit (S), followed by the exponent that is biased;
- The mantissa without the most significant bit is stored after the exponent in the fraction field:



- The exponent is biased by the  $(2^e - 1) - 1$ , where  $e$  is the exponent number of bits;
- This solution was adopted because exponents must be signed, and the two's complement representation will require extra computational work if it was used.



- ❑ **Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point (cont.)**
  - The value of the biased exponent and mantissa determines the data meaning:
    - The number is said to be *normalized* (most significant bit of the mantissa is 1), if exponent ranges between 0 and  $2^e - 1$ ;
    - The number is said to be *de-normalized* (most significant bit of the mantissa is 0), if the exponent is 0 and fraction is not 0.



## □ Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point (cont.)

- The value of the biased exponent and the mantissa determines the data meaning:
  - The number is  $\pm 0$  (depending on the sign bit), if exponent is 0 and fraction is 0;
    - $+0.0$ :  $0x0000$ ;
    - $-0.0$ :  $0x8000$ ;
  - The number is  $\pm$ infinity (depending on the sign bit), if exponent =  $2^e - 1$  and fraction is 0;
  - The number being represented is not a number (NaN), if exponent =  $2^e - 1$  and fraction is not 0.

## □ Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point (cont.)

- The IEEE 754 binary formats have the following organization:

Format	Sign	Exponent	Exponent bias	Mantissa	Total number of bits
Half	1	5	15	10	16
Single	1	8	127	23	32
Double	1	11	1023	52	64
Quad	1	15	16383	112	128

- A number X has the value:

$$X = (-1)^S \times 2^{\text{exponent} - \text{exponent bias}} \times \text{mantissa}$$

- **Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point (cont.)**
  - **Example 3:** Consider the decimal number  $14.2352_{10}$ .
  - The number integer part can be converted to the binary value  $1110_2$ , while the fractional number part is converted to the binary value  $0.00111100001010001111_2$ .
  - The number can be represented in the binary base as:

$1110.00111100001010001111_2$

## □ Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point (cont.)

- The number normalization requires that the radix is moved to the left:

$$1.11000111100001010001111_2 \times 2^3$$

- We can now code the floating-point representation in the single format (32-bit) as:
  - Sign (1-bit): 0 (the number is positive);
  - Exponent (8-bit):  $127 + 3 = 130 = 10000010$ ;
  - Fraction (23-bit): 11000111100001010001111 (fractional part of the mantissa).



## ❑ Representation of fractional numbers: Floating-point (cont.)

- Finally, the floating-point code:

Sign	Exponent	Fraction
0	10000010	11000111100001010001111

- The floating-point code in hexadecimal:  $0x4163C28F$