

Simplified Theorem in Number System Conversion

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ABSTRACT

Numbers found on computer were represented in 0s and 1s or bits, from *binary digits*. These numbers are identified from their bases. They can be converted from one number to another number. The researcher innovates a simplified theorem in conversion of these numbers in simple mathematical operation. Conversion of these numbers were presented in conventional and exhausted manner in most references, it involves two or more variety of operation. This innovative tool is very easy to learn and very efficient. Three attributes; usability, reliability, and efficiency were employed to ascertain the applicability of the simplified theorem as tool for instruction.

General Terms

Conversion, Conventional, Decimal, Simplified

Keywords

Binary, Base, Efficiency, Hexadecimal, Octal, Innovative Tool, Number System, Reliability, Simplified Theorem, Usability.

1. INTRODUCTION

Education is a light that shows the mankind the right direction to surge. The purpose of education is not just making student literate but adds rationale thinking, knowledge ability, and self sufficiency. When there is a willingness to change, there is hope for progress in any field. Creativity can be developed and innovation benefits both students and teachers (Damodharanan, 2013).

There are many innovative and interesting proof techniques in the history of mathematics. One that comes to mind is the technique of diagonalization introduced by Cantor in his work on cardinalities of sets. Diagonalization is powerful, as it lets us prove non-existence results. Diagonalization has been used e.g. in the theory of computational complexity to show “gap theorems”. It is also the key to proving Godel’s famous incompleteness theorem, (Hyttel, 2013).

Another theory developed in the discipline of mathematics is the multiple intelligence by Gardner. Howard Gardner (1991, p 12) argues in favor of approaching a discipline in a variety of ways that accommodate multiple learning styles, thereby facilitating the learning process more effectively, “The broad spectrum of students-and perhaps the society as a whole-would be better served if disciplines could be presented in a numbers of ways and learning could be assessed through a variety of means.” One strategy involves approaching multiplication facts in different way. Instead of having students commit all the multiplication facts to memory through repetition, the teacher could write one multiplication fact on the board (e.g. $6 \times 4 = 24$). Then the students could begin working with this fact in a variety of ways. The

logical/mathematical learners would be able to write down all eight facts in the family, focusing on the logical relations of the facts. The verbal-linguistic learners would be able to write the multiplication fact using only words. They would also be able a word problem that requires the multiplication fact given in order to solve the word problem. The Visual-spatial learners would be able to draw a picture to represent the multiplication fact (Gardner, 1991).

Number system consist of four numbers; binary numbers, decimal numbers, octal numbers, and hexadecimal numbers. Numbers were clearly presented in Discrete Structures and Discrete Mathematics computing courses.

Khan (2013) narrated, “digital computer represents all kinds of data and information in the binary system. Binary Number System consists of two digits 0 and 1. Its base is 2. Each digit or bit in binary number system can be 0 or 1. A combination of binary numbers may be used to represent different quantities like 100. The Decimal Number System consists of ten digits from 0 to 9. These digits can be used to represent any numeric value. The base of decimal number system is 10. It is the most widely used number system. Octal Number System consists of eight digits from 0 to 7. The base of octal system is 8. Each digit position in this system represents a power of 8. Any digit in this system is always less than 8. Octal number system is used as a shorthand representation of long binary numbers. The Hexadecimal Number System consists of 16 digits from 0 to 9 and A to F. The alphabets A to F represent decimal numbers from 10 to 15. The base of this number system is 16. Each digit position in hexadecimal system represents a power of 16.”

These number can be converted from one number to another. Conversion of these numbers are presented in conventional and exhausted manner in most references, it involves two or more variety of operations. The researcher innovates a simplified theorem in conversion for these numbers in single mathematical operation. Hence, conformed this study.

2. OBJECTIVES

The study aimed to (1) come-up a simplified theorem in number system conversion; and (2) evaluate the innovative tool using the attributes of reliability, usability, and efficiency.

3. SIMPLIFIED THEOREM

General Instruction: Give attention the 1s or 1 bit.

Simplified theorem. Express the decimal value per binary number, add those with 1s.

1	1	1	1
...8	4	2	1

From:

$$\dots 2^3 = 8; 2^2 = 4; 2^1 = 2; 2^0 = 1$$

(1.) Conversion of binary numbers to decimal numbers.

Apply the theorem.

Example: $1001_2 = (?)_{10}$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$= 8 + 1 = 9$$

Therefore; $1001_2 = 9_{10}$

(2) Conversion of binary numbers to octal numbers.

Cluster the bits in 3bits/group, in right to left direction, and add 0s for the missing bit in to complete the group. Apply the theorem.

Example: $1110012 = (?)_8$

$$111 \ 001 =$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$= 4 + 2 + 1 = 7 \qquad \qquad \qquad = 1$$

Therefore; $111001_2 = 71_8$

(3) Conversion of binary numbers to hexadecimal numbers.

Apply conversion (2) using 4 bits/groups.

Example: $100111102 = (?)_{16}$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$= 8 + 1 = 9$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$= 8 + 4 + 2 = 14 \text{ (E)}$$

Therefore; $10011110_2 = 9E_{16}$

(4) Conversion from decimal numbers to binary numbers.

Apply theorem, write 1s below the decimal numbers, such that the sum is equal to the given decimal numbers.

Example: $25_{10} = (?)_2$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 16 & 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$= 16 + 8 + 1 = 25$$

Therefore; $25_{10} = 11001_2$

(5) Conversion from decimal numbers to octal numbers.

Express the binary numbers of the given decimal, and apply conversion (2).

Example: $25_{10} = (?)_8$

$$11001 = 011 \ 001$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$= 2 + 1 = 3 \qquad \qquad \qquad = 1$$

Therefore; $25_{10} = 31_8$

(6) Conversion from decimal numbers to hexadecimal.

Express the binary values of the given decimal, Apply conversion (3).

Example: $25_{10} = (?)_{16}$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 11001 & & & \\ 0001 & & & 1001 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 = 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 = 8 + 1 = 9 \end{array}$$

$$= 8 + 1 = 9$$

Therefore; $25_{10} = 19_{16}$

(7) Conversion from octal numbers to binary numbers.

Apply conversion (4).

Example: $4618 = (?)_2$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 = 4 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 = 6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 = 1 \end{array}$$

Therefore; $4618_8 = 100110001_2$

(8) Conversion from octal numbers to decimal numbers.

Apply conversion (7), and conversion (1).

Example: $358 = (?)_{10}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 011(3) & & 101(5) \\ 011101 & & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 32 & 16 & 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$= 16 + 8 + 4 + 1 = 29$$

Therefore; $35_8 = 29_{10}$

(9) Conversion from octal numbers to hexadecimal numbers.

Apply conversion (7), and conversion (3).

Example: $358 = (?)_{16}$

$011101 =$ re-group in right to left, four bits/group, add 0s to complete the group.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0011(\text{group2}) & & 1101(\text{group1}) \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 8 & 4 & 1 & 13 \end{array}$$

$$= 2 + 1 = 3 \qquad \qquad \qquad = 1 + 2 + 1 = 3$$

$$= 1 + 1 + 0 = 1 \qquad \qquad \qquad = 1 + 8 + 4 + 1 = 13 \text{ (D)}$$

Therefore; $35_8 = 3D_{16}$

(10) Conversion from hexadecimal numbers to binary numbers.

Express the binary number in each hexadecimal, and combined.

Example: $3D_{16} = (?)_2$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 3 & & \\ 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 = 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} D(13) & & \\ 8 & 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 = 13 \text{ (D)} \end{array}$$

Therefore; $3D_{16} = 00111101_2$ or 111101_2

(11) Conversion from hexadecimal to octal numbers.

Express the binary number in each hexadecimal, combined, and used conversion (3).

Example: $A716 = (?)_8$

A
8 4 2 1
1 0 1 0 = A (10)
7
8 4 2 1
0 1 1 1 = 7

1 1 1(group1)
3 2 1 = 7
1 0 0(group2)
3 2 1=3
0 1 0(group3)
3 2 1=2

Therefore; $A716 = 237_8$

(12) Conversion from hexadecimal to decimal.

Express the binary number in each hexadecimal, combined, and apply conversion (1).

Example: $3D16 = (?)_{10}$

111101
1 1 1 1 0 1
32 16 8 4 2 1
= 32 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 1
=61

Therefore; $3D_{16} = 61_{10}$

4. MATERIALS & PROCEDURES

4.1 Respondents

Study was conducted in Eastern Samar State University, Main Campus, Borongan City, Eastern Samar. Respondents were 15 faculty members in the College of Computer Studies, and 85 students from junior and senior students attaining the degree in Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, and Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering.

4.2 Instrument

Survey questionnaire in instructional assessment tool was employed using the attributes of reliability, usability, and efficiency. Description from these attributes are based in instructional evaluation system template by Glade 2015-2016.

4.3 Statistical treatment

Average weighted mean was used in determining the extent of applicability of simplified theorem from the described attributes, while frequency percentage distribution was applied on the applicability of the theorem as instruction.

The following mean values and qualitative descriptions were used to determine its extent of applicability of the attributes described.

Mean Value	Qualitative Description
4.10 – 5.00	Strongly Agree
3.10 - 4.00	Agree
2.10 – 3.00	Slightly Agree
1.10 – 2.00	Disagree
0.00-1.00	Strongly Disagree

5. RESULTS & DISCUSSION

Table 1.0. Frequency Distribution of Respondent’s Perception on the Attributes of the Simplified Theorem

Metrics of Theorem Attributes	Rating						Weighted Mean	Interpretation
	SA (5)	A (4)	SLA (3)	D (2)	SD (1)			
Optional Parameters								
Reliability								
The theorem is free from errors in conversion.	73	18	8	1	0	4.63	Strongly Agree	
The theorem validates inputs.	87	10	1	2	0	4.82	Strongly Agree	
The theorem provides accurate and timely information.	79	20	1	0	0	4.78	Strongly Agree	
The theorem engage in continuing improvement of knowledge and skills.	88	10	2	0	0	4.86	Strongly Agree	
The theorem can keep abreast of developments in instructional methodology, learning theory, and course content.	63	20	15	2	0	4.44	Strongly Agree	
Usability								
The theorem is acceptable.	95	5	0	0	0	4.95	Strongly Agree	
The theorem is easy to learn and to operate.	99	1	0	0	0	4.99	Strongly Agree	
The theorem works with	85	10	5	0	0	4.80	Strongly Agree	

or without technical support.							
Efficiency							
The theorem measures the extent to which input is well used for an intended operation of number system conversion.	80	12	5	3	0	4.69	Strongly Agree
Has an attribute to comprise the capability of a specific application of effort to produce a specific outcome with a minimum amount or quantity of waste of time or unnecessary effort.	85	15	0	0	0	4.85	Strongly Agree
The theorem assist students in accessing, interpreting, and evaluating information from multiple sources.	82	15	3	0	0	4.79	Strongly Agree
The theorem provide quality work for students which is focused on meaningful, relevant, and engaging learning experiences.	95	5	0	0	0	4.95	Strongly Agree

The theorem foster student's responsibility in working course assessment.	98	2	0	0	0	4.92	Strongly Agree
The theorem used appropriate techniques and strategies to enhance the application of critical, creative, and evaluative thinking capabilities of students.	95	5	0	0	0	4.95	Strongly Agree
The theorem adhere to standards or conventions relating to efficiency.	84	10	6	0	0	4.78	Strongly Agree

Table 2.0. Average Weighted Mean of Respondent's Perception on the Attributes of the Simplified Theorem

Theorem Attributes	Average Weighted Mean	Interpretation
Reliability	4.70	Strongly Agreed
Usability	4.92	Strongly Agreed
Efficiency	4.85	Strongly Agreed

The simplified theorem is very useful in Discrete Structures and Discrete Mathematics in computing courses. Easy to learn and to apply. In fact the usability attribute of the theorem got the highest average weighted mean among the three attributes. Moreover, the simplified theorem characteristically reliable, usable, and efficient. From description of the attributes of the simplified theorem interpreted as “strongly agree”.

Table 3.0 Percentage Distribution of Respondents' on the instruction applicability of the theorem

Mandatory Parameter	Yes	No	Interpretation
Simplified theorem is applicable instruction in the College.	98%	2%	Applicable

The innovated simplified theorem is applicable as instruction to the College of Computer Studies gleaned above average of 98%.

6. CONCLUSION

Based on students and teachers comments the researcher received during the theorem assessment activity, it was concluded that they prefer to use the innovative simplified theorem rather than what is on the book of references. Innovative theorem was applicable to general education courses and programs, even to non-computing courses for the same purpose. Time efficient and enhanced creative thinking.

The formula supports and supplied the computation to another computation or formula. Secondary curriculum can adapt the uncomplicated tool for instruction purposes.

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