

# **CSC 252: Computer Organization**

## **Spring 2023: Lecture 5**

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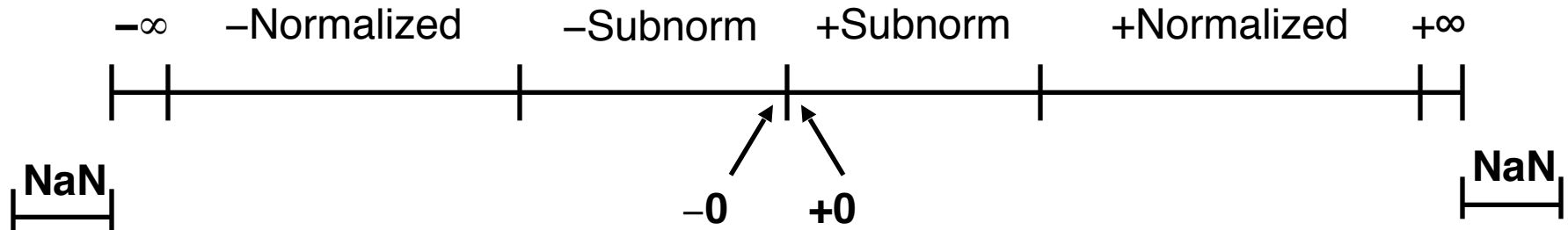
- Programming Assignment 1 is out
  - Details: <https://www.cs.rochester.edu/courses/252/spring2023/labs/assignment1.html>
  - Due on Jan. 27, 11:59 PM
  - You have 3 slip days

15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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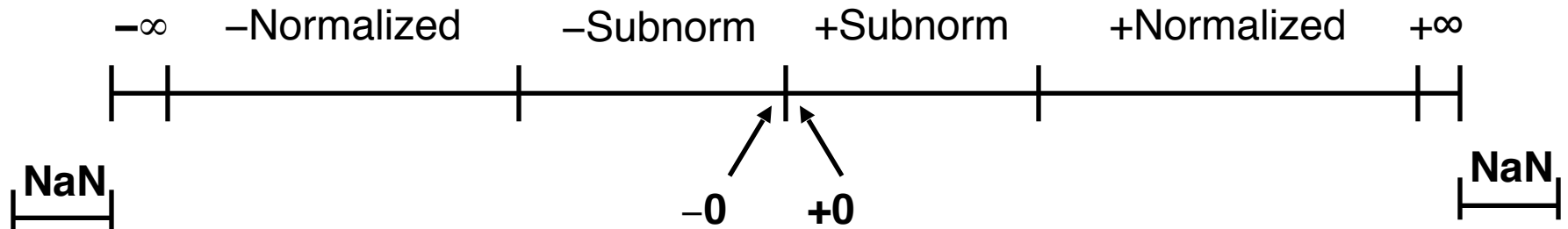
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- Programming assignment 1 is in C language. Seek help from TAs.
- TAs are best positioned to answer your questions about programming assignments!!!
- Programming assignments do NOT repeat the lecture materials. They ask you to synthesize what you have learned from the lectures and work out something new.

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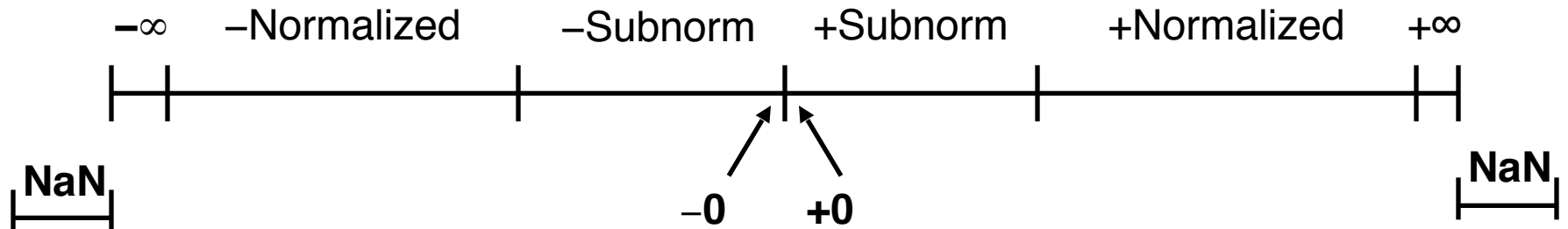
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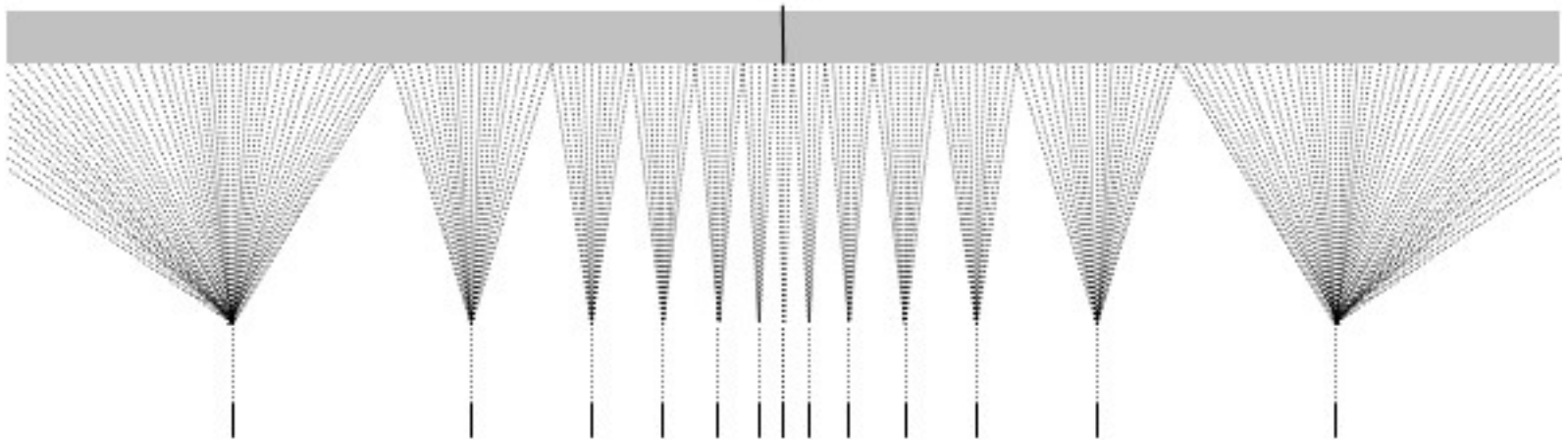
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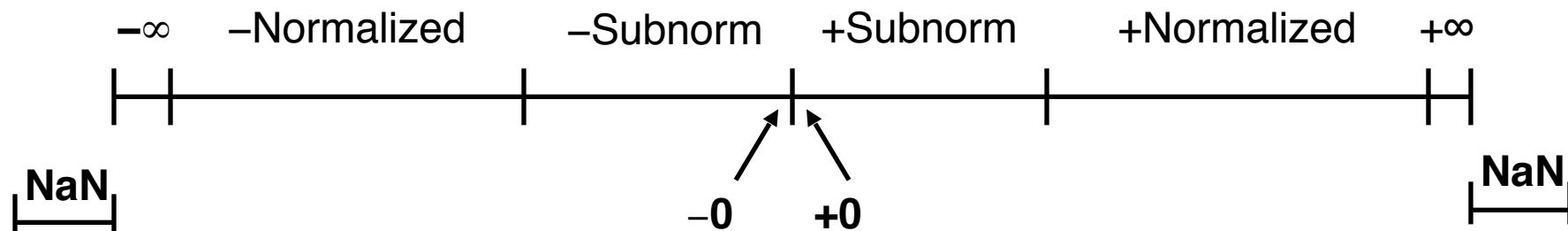


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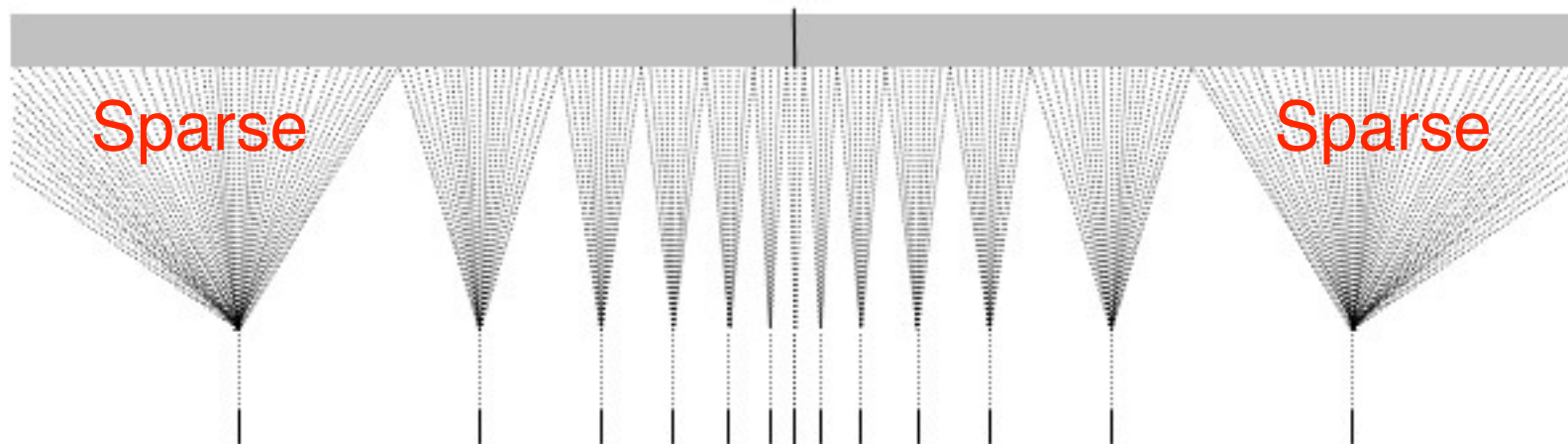


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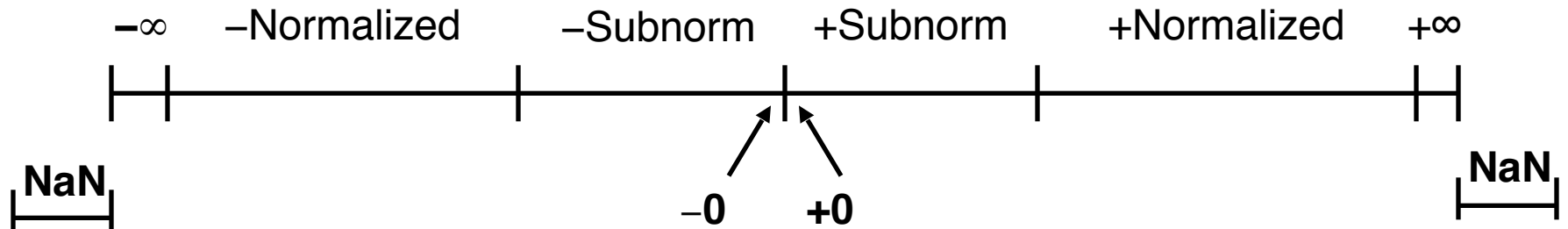


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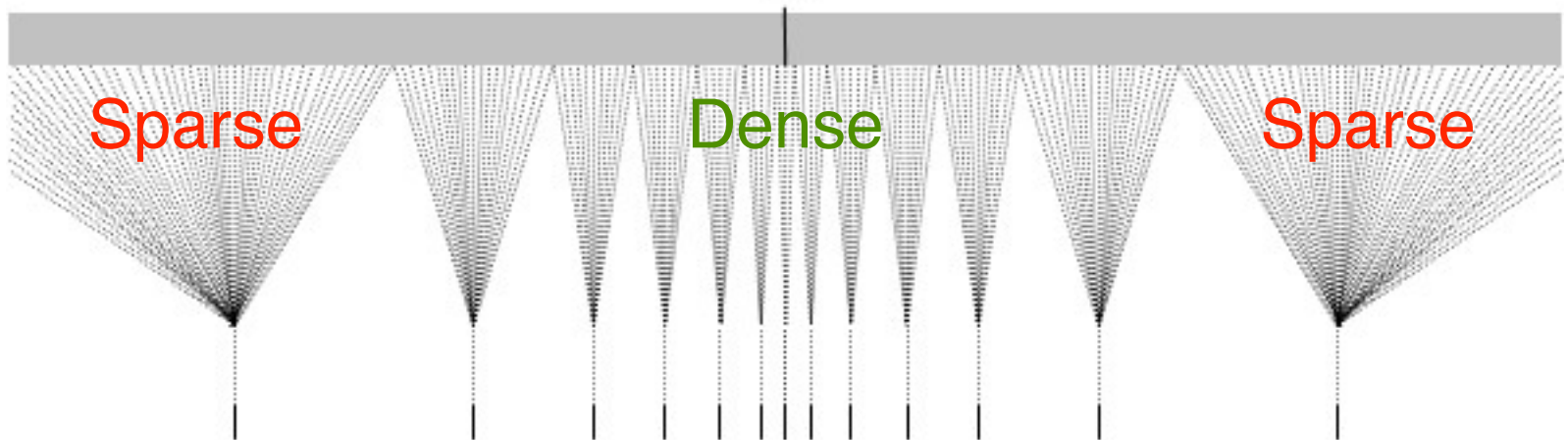


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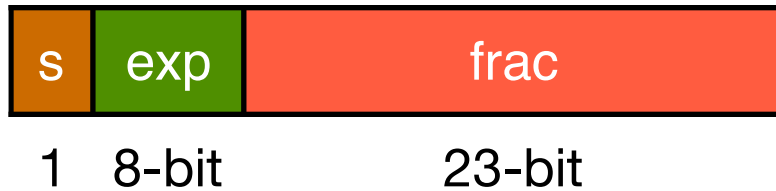


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- **IEEE 754 standard**
- Rounding, addition, multiplication
- Floating point in C
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- Single precision: 32 bits



- Double precision: 64 bits



# IEEE Floating Point

- **IEEE Standard 754**
  - Established in 1985 as uniform standard for floating point arithmetic
    - Before that, many idiosyncratic formats
  - Supported by all major CPUs (and even GPUs and other processors)
- **Driven by numerical concerns**
  - Nice standards for rounding, overflow, underflow
  - Hard to make fast in hardware
    - Numerical analysts predominated over hardware designers in defining standard

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- The problem: Computing on floating point numbers might produce a result that can't be precisely represented
- Basic idea
  - We perform the operation & produce the infinitely **precise** result
  - Make it fit into desired precision
    - Possibly **overflow** if exponent too large
    - Possibly **round** to fit into frac

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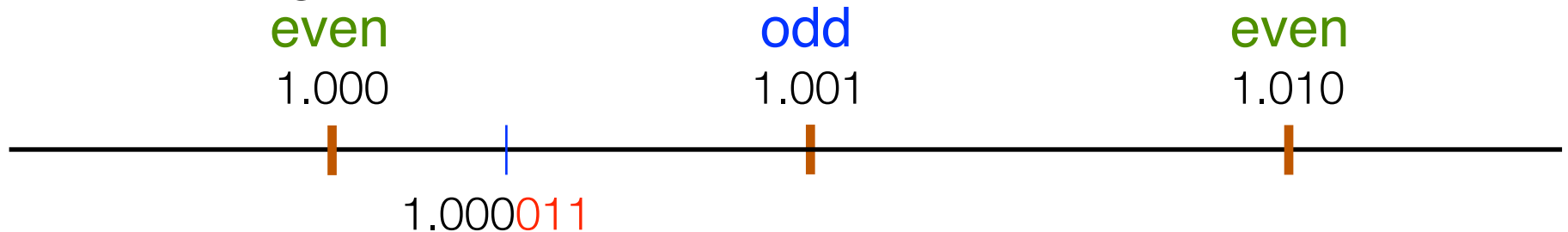
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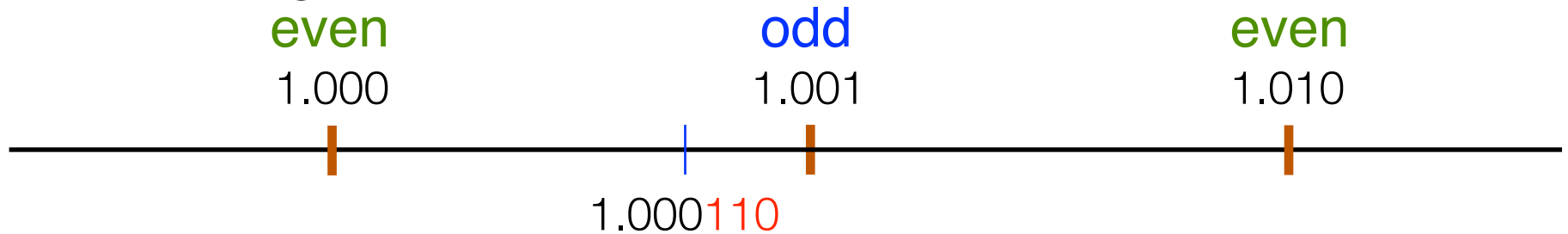


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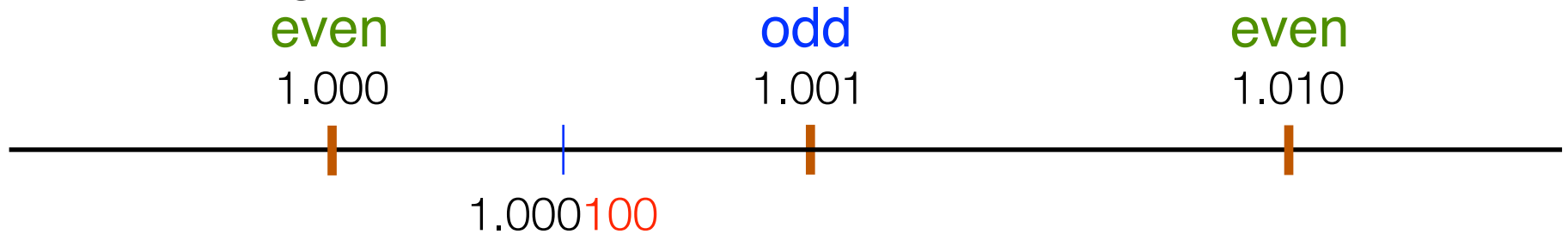


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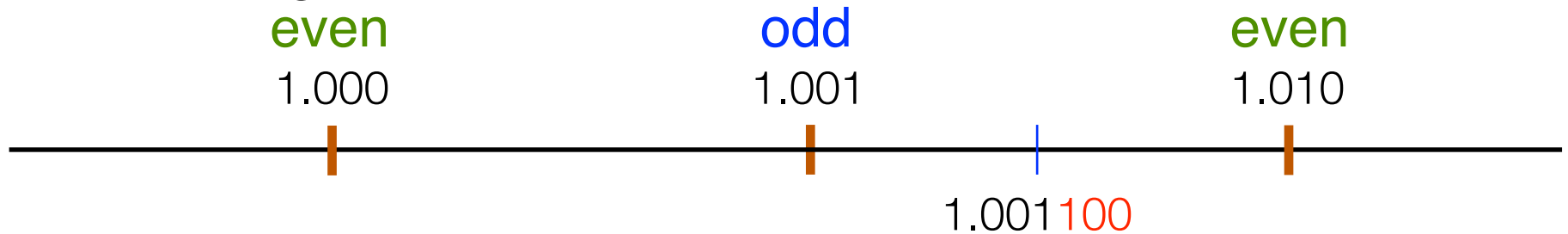


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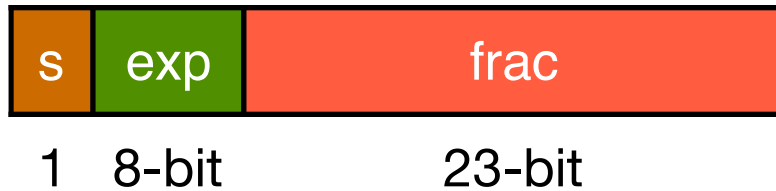
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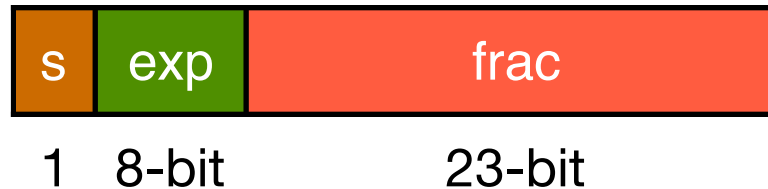
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- In floating-point, we directly encode the exponent
  - Floating point is based on scientific notation
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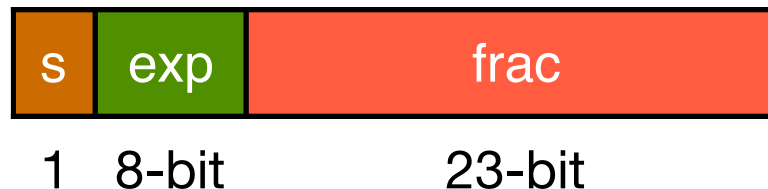
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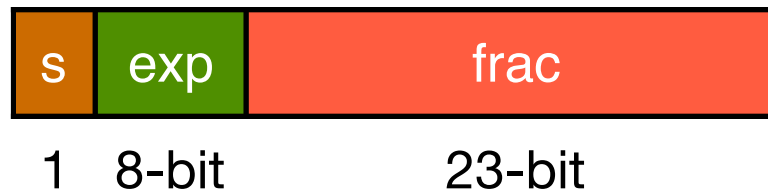
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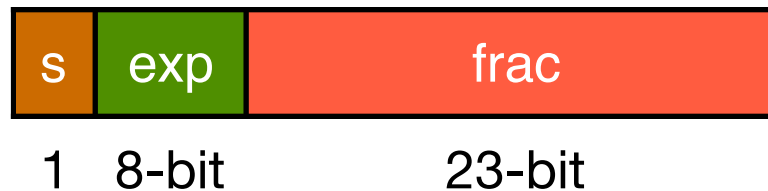
# Floating Point Conversions/Casting in C

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- Not defined when out of range or NaN

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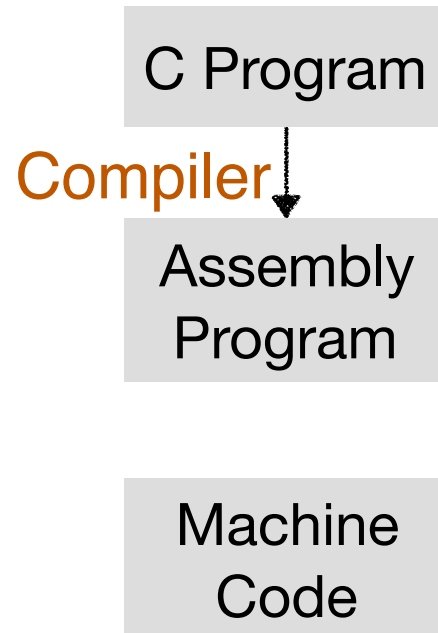


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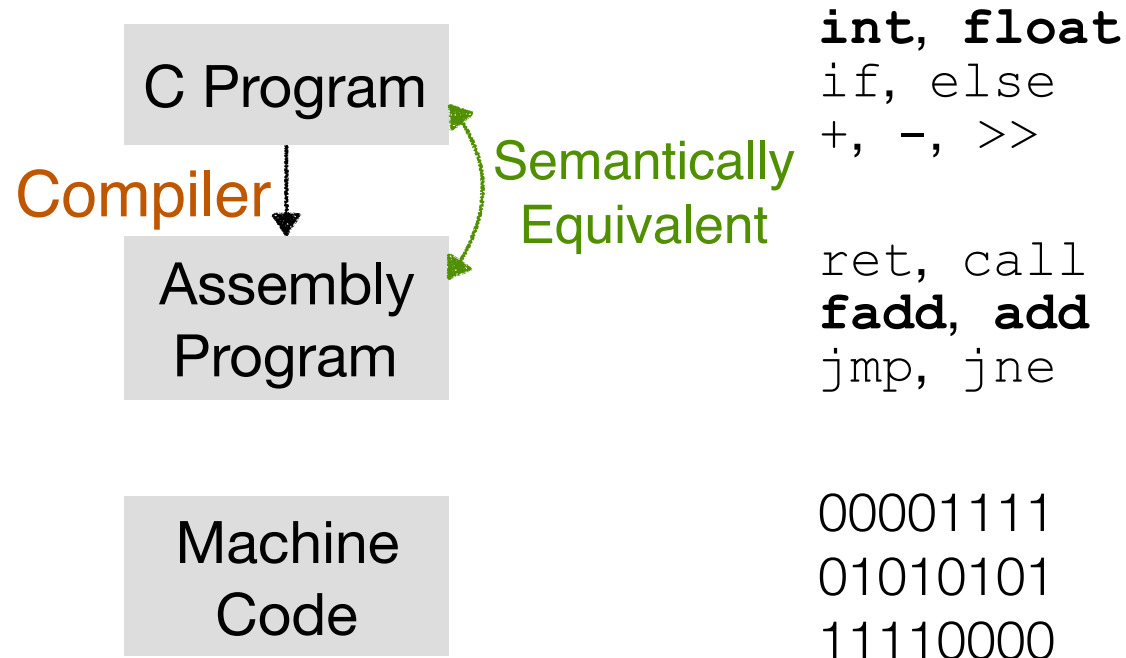


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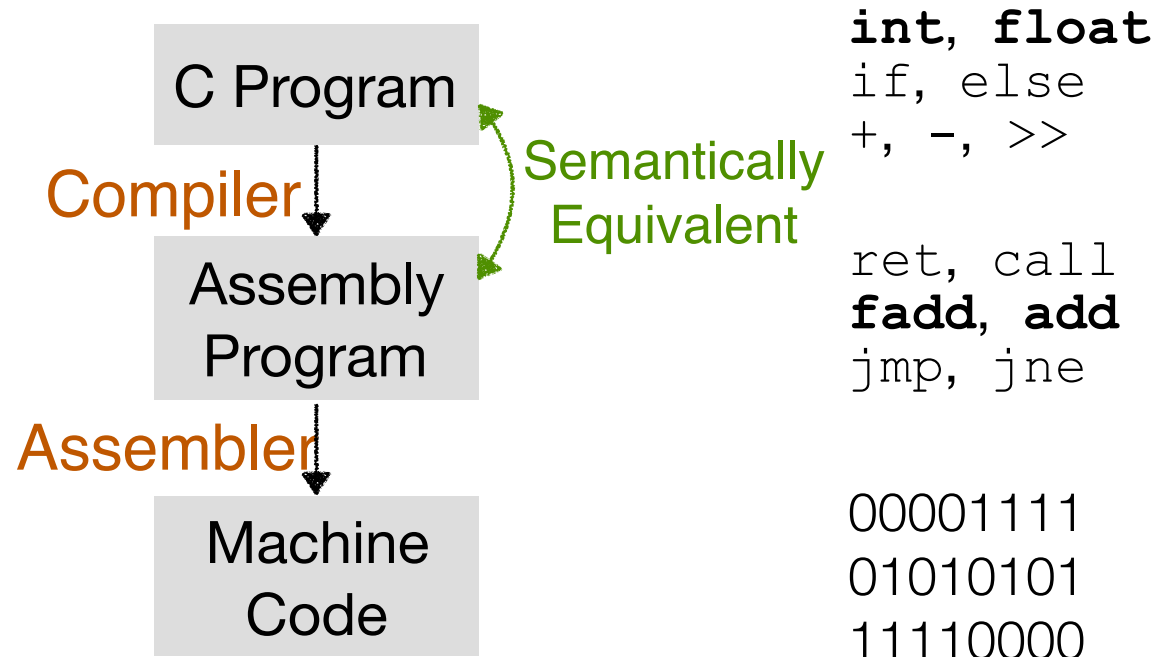
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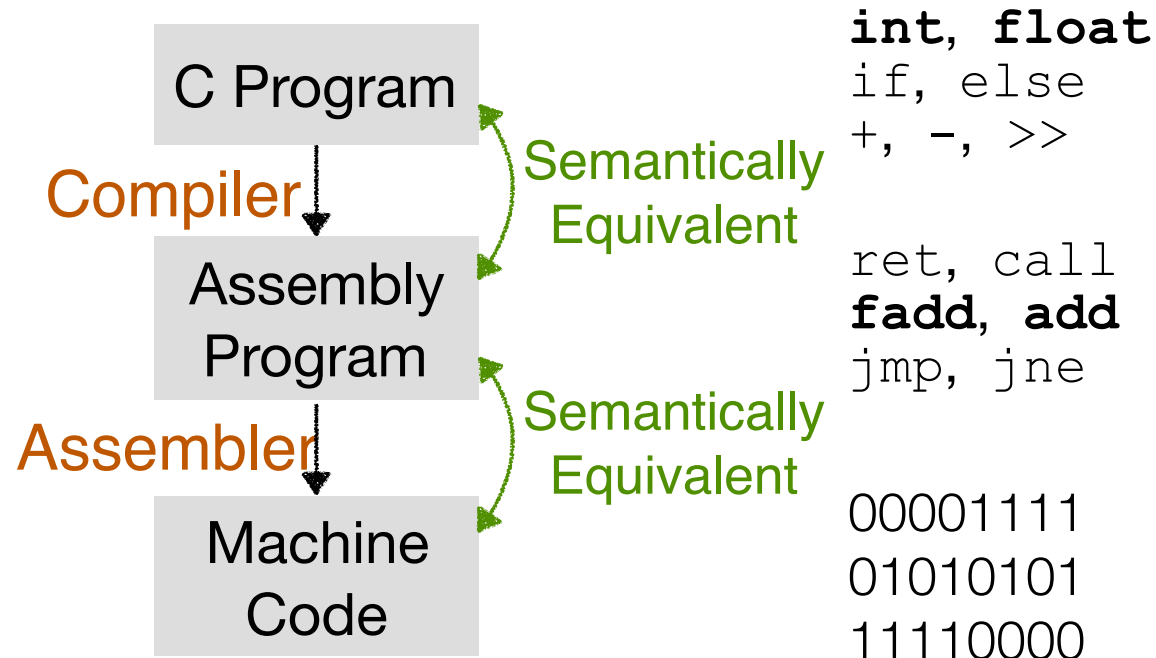
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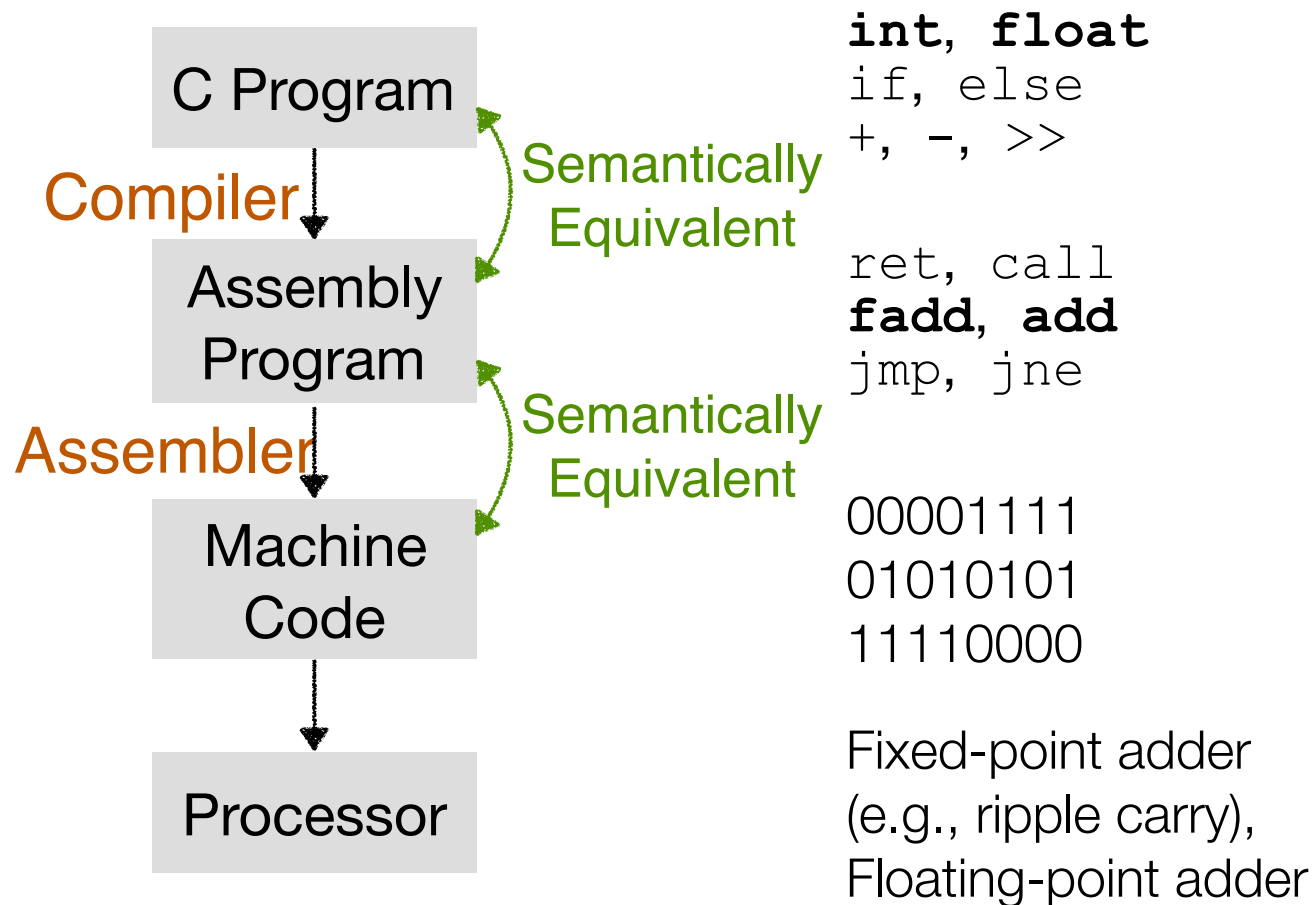
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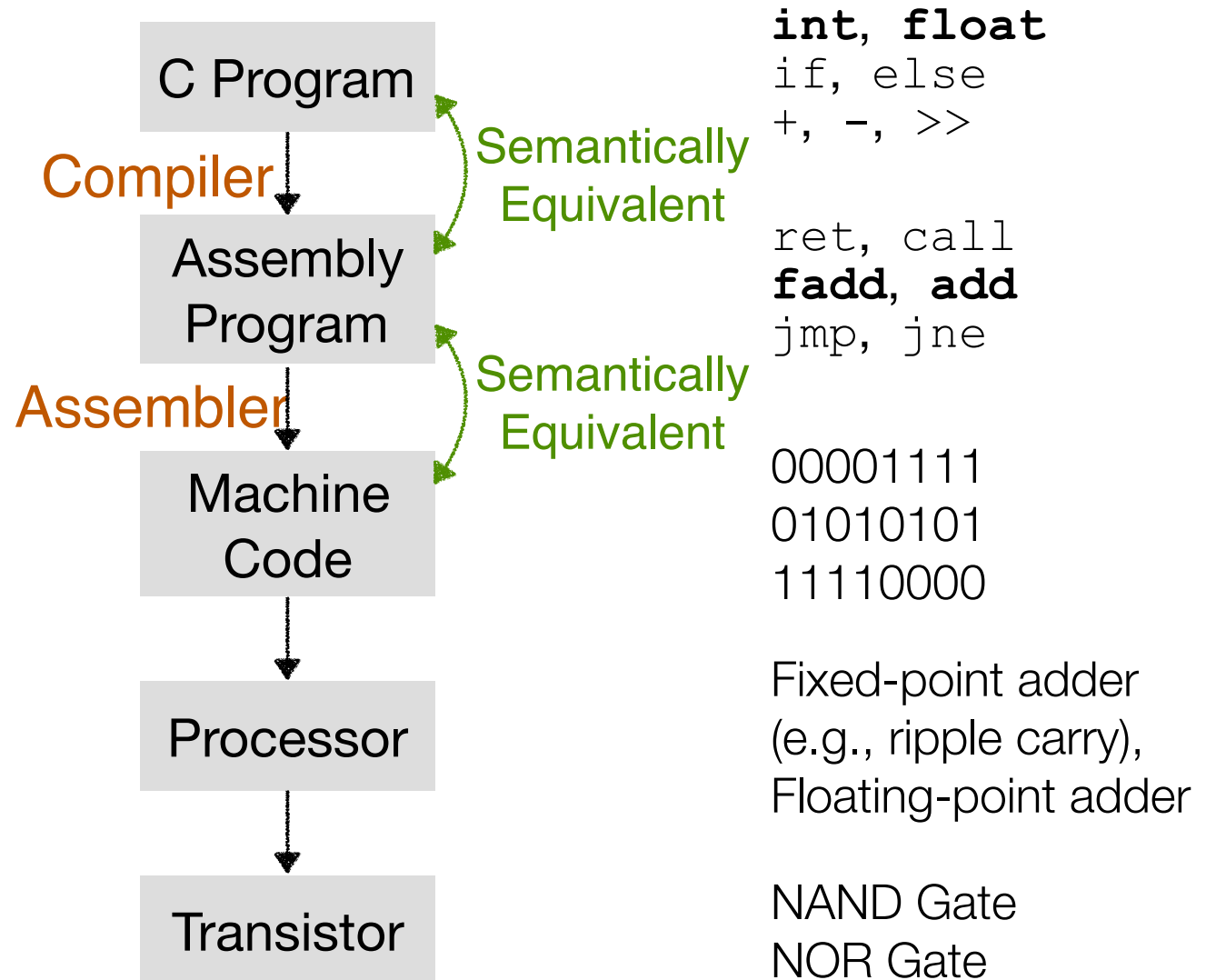
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Transistor

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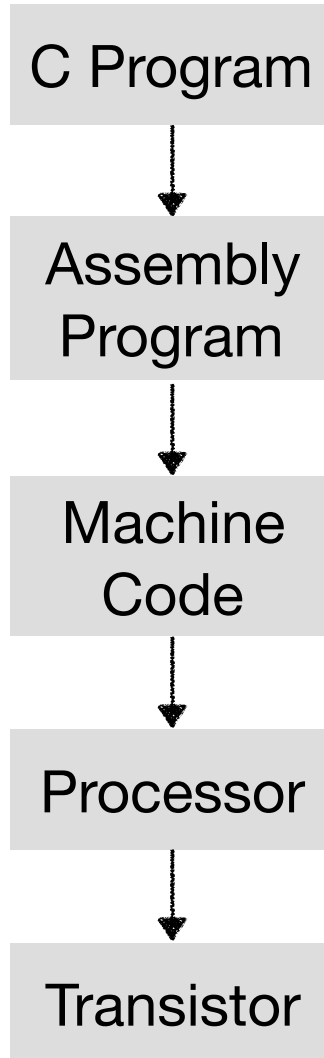
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- **Assembly Programming**

- Explain how various C constructs are implemented in assembly code
- Effectively translating from C to assembly program manually
- Helps us understand how compilers work
- Helps us understand how assemblers work

- **Microarchitecture is the topic of the next module**

# Today: Assembly Programming I: Basics

- Different ISAs and history behind them
- C, assembly, machine code
- Move operations (and addressing modes)

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- ISA is lucrative business: ARM's Business Model
  - Patent the ISA, and then license the ISA
  - Every implementer pays a royalty to ARM
  - Apple/Samsung pays ARM whenever they sell a smartphone

The ARM Diaries, Part 1: How ARM's Business Model Works: <https://www.anandtech.com/show/7112/the-arm-diaries-part-1-how-arms-business-model-works>

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# Aside: Dynamic Binary Translation

**macOS Monterey**

Version 12.0.1

MacBook Pro (16-inch, 2021)

Chip **Apple M1 Pro**

Memory 16 GB

Serial Number VQ4GVYVN6F

- Apple M1 is based on the Arm ISA. A program compiled to x86 ISA is dynamically translated to Arm ISA by Rosetta.
- Not the first time Apple plays this trick.



**Fast performance**  
**Translated at install time**  
**Dynamic translation for JITs**  
**Transparent to user**



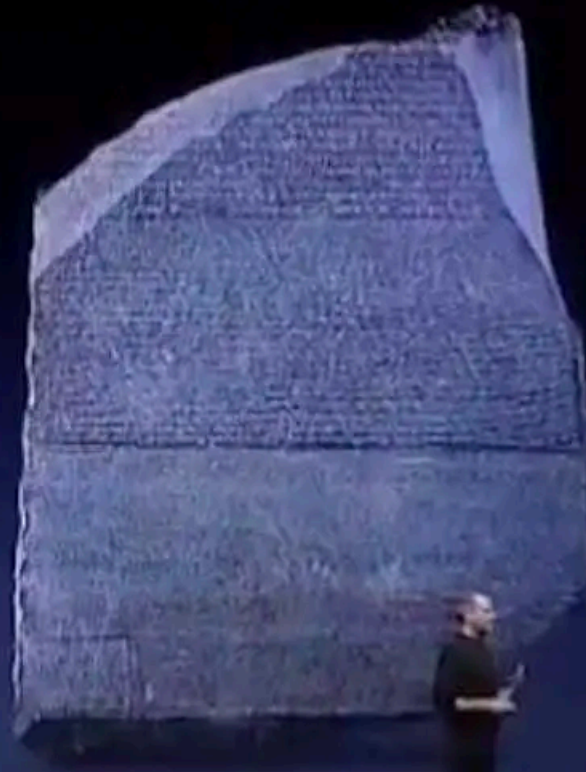
**Rosetta 2**

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Circa 2006: PowerPC to x86 translation

# Rosetta

Translates PowerPC to Intel



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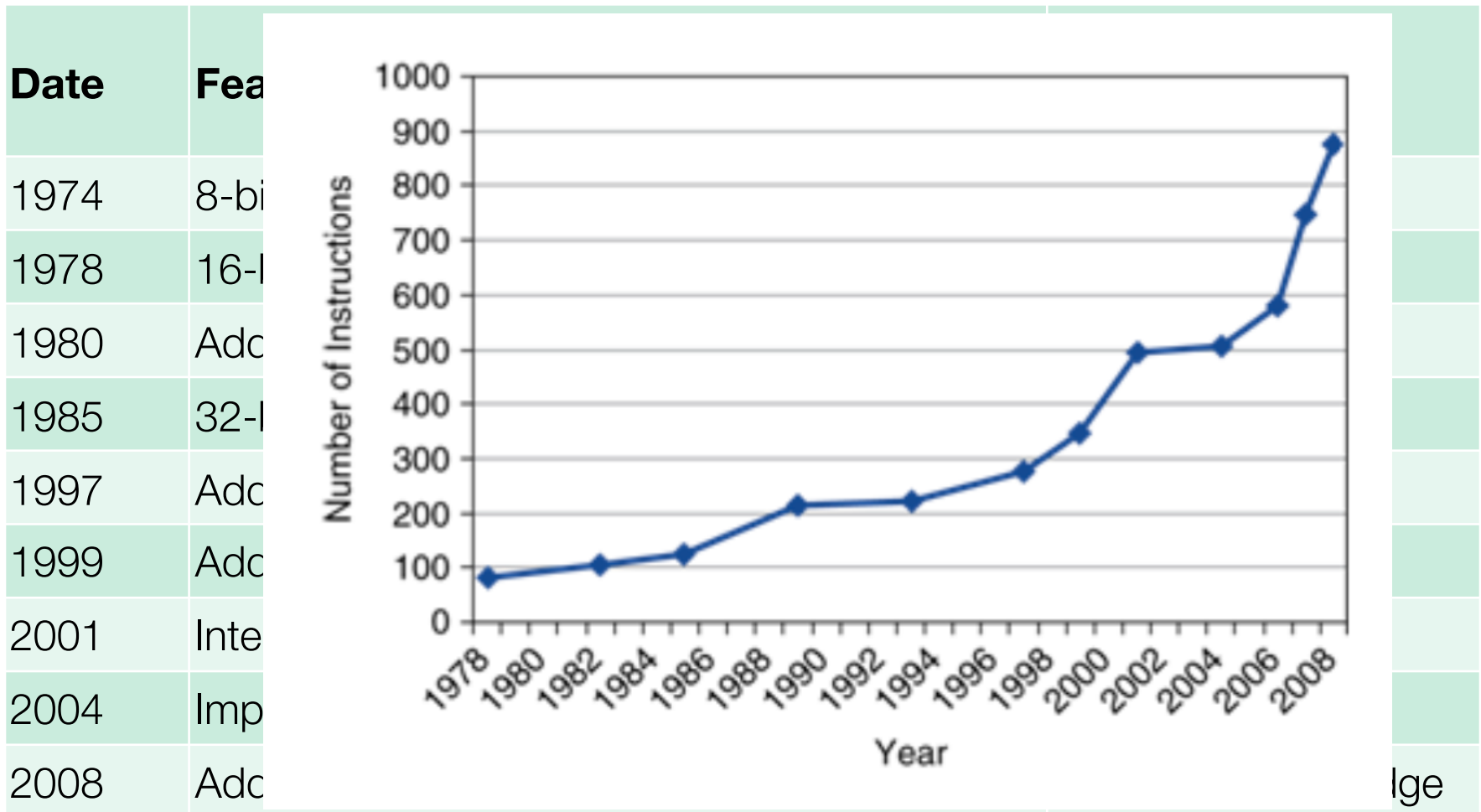
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Date	Feature	Notable Implementation
1974	8-bit ISA	8080
1978	16-bit ISA (Basis for IBM PC & DOS)	8086
1980	Add Floating Point instructions	8087
1985	32-bit ISA (Refer to as IA32)	386
1997	Add Multi-Media eXtension (MMX)	Pentium/MMX
1999	Add Streaming SIMD Extension (SSE)	Pentium III
2001	Intel's first attempt at 64-bit ISA (IA64, failed)	Itanium
2004	Implement AMD's 64-bit ISA (x86-64, AMD64)	Pentium 4E
2008	Add Advanced Vector Extension (AVE)	Core i7 Sandy Bridge

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# Backward Compatibility

- Binary executable generated for an older processor can execute on a newer processor
- Allows legacy code to be executed on newer machines
  - Buy new machines without changing the software
- **x86 is backward compatible up until 8086 (16-bit ISA)**
  - i.e., an 8086 binary executable can be executed on any of today's x86 machines
- **Great for users, nasty for processor implementers**
  - Every instruction you put into the ISA, you are stuck with it *FOREVER*

# x86 Clones: Advanced Micro Devices (AMD)



- **Historically**

- AMD build processors for x86 ISA
- A little bit slower, a lot cheaper

- **Then**

- Recruited top circuit designers from Digital Equipment Corp. and other downward trending companies
- Developed x86-64, their own 64-bit x86 extension to IA32
- Built first 1 GHz CPU
- **Intel felt hard to admit mistake or that AMD was better**
- **2004: Intel Announces EM64T extension to IA32**
  - Almost identical to x86-64!
  - Today's 64-bit x86 ISA is basically AMD's original proposal

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High	29.88	P/E ratio	9.17	52-wk low	24.59
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