

Bitmania

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Chapter 1

Bitmania

1.1 Bitmania V1.2 (07/03/95) - By Luca Ferraris

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1.2 Bitmania / Introduction

Bitmania V1.2 - By Luca Ferraris

Bitmania V1.2 is a simple student oriented program which allows user to convert a number in an other format.
This is an improved version of Bitmania (the last version is V1.0).

Features:

- Decimal -> Binary
- Binary -> Decimal
- Binary -> Hexadecimal
- Hexadecimal -> Binary
- Decimal -> Hexadecimal
- Hexadecimal -> Decimal

Bitmania is also able to convert a binary number in a code.
Supported codes are:

- BCD (four types, see Use for them..)

- Grey

Others Features are:

- Factorial of a number
- Fibonacci's numbers
- Arithmetical operations
- Complements (for binary numbers only!)

Bitmania V1.2 has been written completly in AMOS Pro.

1.3 Bitmania/ What's new!

New Features

- BCD 8-4-2-1 Corrected! (Sorry for the last wrong version...)
- BCD 2-4-2-1 New BCD code
- BCD Excess 3 An other BCD code...
- Corrected bugs

1.4 Bitmania / Requirements

Requirements

There are no particular requirements. I think Bitmania works fine on all Amigas.

1.5 Bitmania / Installation

Installation

Bitmania can be launched from disk but it can be easily installed on an hard drive. There are no file of support and so,if you want to install bitmania on your hard disk, copy the main file.
It's all!

1.6 Bitmania / Use

Use

Bitmania is very easy to use.
If you press the right mouse button, a menu will appear on the screen. You simply have to choice an option. There are five menus.

The first is called Programs. It has only an option that quit

from program.

The second is called Conversions. This menu allows you to insert a number to convert in an other format.

EX. From Binary To Decimal

Third menu is called Calculations.
There are six voices under this menu:

- Sum
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division
- Complement to 1
- Complement to 2

The first four options allows you to execute simple operations.
The last two are to calculate complements of a binary number.

COMPLEMENT To 1

Complement to 1 work in this way.
It is defined such as:

$$((r^n) - 1 - X)$$

where r is the base and X is your number.
For binary numbers, complement to 1 is very simple. Every bit is tested and it is changed to its negative (0→1 1→0).

Positive numbers are represented with their module.
Negative numbers are represented with the complement of the correspondent positive number, sign bit included.
There are two representations of number 0

+0	0
-0	1

COMPLEMENT To 2

Complement to 2 is similar to complement to 1.
In this case, it is defined like:

$$((r^n) - X)$$

where r is the base and X is the number to complement.
For binary numbers complement to 2 work in this way:
from right to left, every bit is unchanged till the bit to test is equal to 1 (this bit is also unchanged). All the others bit from the first bit setted to 1 are changed to their negative.

Positive numbers are represented with their module, and the sign bit is setted to 1.
Negative numbers are represented with the complement of the correspon-

dent positive number, sign bit included.

Example.

+4 0100

-4 0100 --> 1100

+20 00100

-20 11100

There is only a representation for number 0 (because number 0 doesn't contain bit setted to 1 and so is impossible to complement it!)

The fourth menu is called Others.

There are two voices under it:

- Factorial
- Fibonacci

Factorial allows you to calculate factorial of a number.

EX. Factorial of 3 is 6 ($3! = 1 \times 2 \times 3$)

Fibonacci's numbers are numbers growing faster than normal.
The grow is based on a simple formula:

$$F(n+2) = F(n) + F(n+1)$$

$$F(0) = 0 : F(1) = 1 : F(2) = 2 : F(3) = 3$$

$$F(3+2) = F(3) + F(3+1) \rightarrow F(5) = 3 + 5 = 8$$

The last menu is called Codes.

In this version are supported four codes. They are:

- BCD 8-4-2-1
- BCD 2-4-2-1
- BCD Excess 3
- Grey

BCD 8-4-2-1

A decimal number is converted to BCD code in a simple way.
Every decimal digit is converted in the equivalent binary number.
There are 10 decimal digits ranging between 0 & 9 and so there are 10 binary numbers.

EX.

973 ----> 1001 0111 0011

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9	7	3

BCD 2-4-2-1

This BCD code is based on complement to 1.

Numbers from 0 to 4 are converted to the equivalent binary numbers and numbers >4 are the complement of a previous number.

Formula is:

Ad=x ac=bin(x)

9-x=y $y=\overline{ac}$

EX:

Ad=2 ac=0010

9-2=7 $ac=\overline{0010}$
 ac=1101

So, there is a table like this:

Decimal digit	Binary Code
0	0000
1	0001
2	0010
3	0011
4	0100
5	1011
6	1100
7	1101
8	1110
9	1111

BCD Excess 3

To convert a decimal number in this code, every decimal digit is incremented by 3 and after it is converted in the equivalent binary number.

EX. 184 ----> 4 11 7 ----> 0100 1011 0111

GREY

For the Grey code is supported the conversion from binary to Grey. This conversion is based on a simple algorithm:

- 1) Add a 0 to the left of the binary number
- 2) Check every couple of bit and convert them in the correspondent Grey value:

BIT	GREY
00	0
01	1
10	1

11 0

This is a simple EX-OR operation.

1.7 Bitmania / History

Program History

* Version 1.0 The first version of Bitmania.
 It came out on 28/02/95.
 Main features:

- Conversions
- Operations
- BCD & Grey codes
- Other

 In that version there was a wrong code conversion (BCD).

* Version 1.2 This! A lot of things have been corrected and added.

1.8 Bitmania / Next Versions

Next Versions

Next versions of Bitmania will include more features.
In this version the number of supported codes has been incremented
and so there are only few things to do :-)

- Shift and rotate options
- Octal numbers
- Printing options
- Debugging

Look out on Aminet for them!

1.9 Bitmania / Author

Author

Well, i'm Luca Ferraris and i was born on 1974. I'm studying
at the department of Computer's Science at Turin, Italy.
I'm an happy owner of an A500 standard with two floppy drives
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ming languages, C,Basic, GWBasic (all basic!), Pascal... but
my favourite is AMOS Pro (i know it better than others!) and
i'm working on a lot of projects.

At this time, you can find my Pattern Generator V1.1 Demo on

Aminet in directory gfx/fract. It's shareware and i think it's a good product (it was my first AMOS Pro program). I'm working on version 1.9, but currently i have problems with an Out Of Memory Error and so i think it will be released very later.

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I hope you will enjoy with Bitmania. Hallo!

1.10 Bitmania / Copyrights

Copyrights

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