

15-213 Recitation: Data Lab

Your TAs
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Introduction

- Welcome to 15-213/18-213/15-513!
- Recitations are for...
 - Reviewing lectures
 - Discussing homework problems
 - Interactively exploring concepts
 - Previewing future lecture material
- Please, **please** ask questions!

Course Details

- How do I get help?
 - Course website: <http://cs.cmu.edu/~213>
 - Office hours: **5:30-9:30PM** from Sun-Fri in GHC 5207(Monday: 6:30-9:30)
 - Piazza
 - *Definitely* consult the course textbook
 - **Carefully read the assignment writeups!**
- All labs are submitted on Autolab.
- All labs should be worked on using the **shark machines.**

Data Lab: Getting Started

- Clone the lab

```
(github.com/cmu15213f19/datalab-f19-<id>)
```

- `cd <my course directory>`

- `git clone`

- Upload `bits.c` file to Autolab for submission

Data Lab: Running your code

- `dlc`: a modified C compiler that interprets *ANSI C only*
- `btest`: runs your solutions on random values
- `bddcheck`: exhaustively tests your solutions
 - Checks all values, formally verifying the solution
- `driver.pl`: Runs both `dlc` and `bddcheck`
 - Exactly matches Autolab's grading script
 - You will likely only need to submit once
- For more information, **read the writeup**
 - Available under assignment page as **"View writeup"**
 - **Read it. Read the writeup... please.**

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{
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    int y = 5;

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Within two braces, all *declarations* must go before any *expressions*.

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Data Lab: Reminders

- Casting between **int** and **long** is ok, in either direction
- Be aware of operations and their types!
 - **!** returns an **int** *even if the argument is a long*
- Good idea to append “L” suffix to every integer constant
 - $(1\mathbf{L} \ll 63)$ is not the same as $1 \ll 63$
 - $(!\mathbf{x} \ll 63)$ is not the same as $((\mathbf{long}) !\mathbf{x}) \ll 63$

Form Groups of 3 - 4

- Series of exercises
 - Operators
 - Floating point
 - Puzzle

Floating Point: Rounding

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*In the below examples,
imagine the underlined part
as a fraction.*

- **Guard Bit**: the least significant bit of the resulting number
- **Round Bit**: the first bit removed from rounding
- **Sticky Bits**: all bits after the round bit, OR'd together

Examples of rounding cases, including rounding to nearest even number

- 1.10|11: More than $\frac{1}{2}$, round up: 1.11
- 1.10|10: Equal to $\frac{1}{2}$, round down *to even*: 1.10
- 1.01|01: Less than $\frac{1}{2}$, round down: 1.01
- 1.01|10: Equal to $\frac{1}{2}$, round up *to even*: 1.10
- 1.01|00: Equal to 0, do nothing: 1.01
- 1.00|00: Equal to 0, do nothing: 1.00

All other cases involve either rounding up or down - *try them!*

Questions?

- Remember, data lab is due this Thursday!
 - You really should have started already!
- Read the lab writeup.
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 - » Please. :)