

Course Overview + From Bits to Integers

18-213/18-613 Introduction to Computer Systems

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Scope:

(Systems) Knowledge is Power!

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- Computer organization (instruction-set architecture and assembly programming, etc)
- Software development tool chain (ABI, compilers, linkers, debuggers, etc)
- Memory hierarchy (types of memory, locality, caching)
- Virtual memory
- Processes and process management
- Exceptions, signals, and other exceptional control flow
- Files, File systems, and File I/O
- Networking and Network programming
- Concurrency and concurrency control (synchronization)

Course Perspective

Most Systems Courses are Builder-Centric

- Computer Architecture: Design pipelined processor in Verilog
- Operating Systems: Implement sample portions of operating system
- Compilers: Write compiler for simple language
- Networking: Implement and simulate network protocols

Our Course is Programmer-Centric

- By knowing more about the underlying system, you can be more effective as a programmer:
 - Write programs that are more reliable and efficient
 - Incorporate features that require hooks into OS
 - E.g., concurrency, signal handlers
- There is material in this course that you won't see elsewhere
- We bring out the hacker in everyone!

It's Important to Understand How Things Work

Why do I need to know this stuff?

Abstraction is good, but don't forget reality

Most CS courses emphasize abstraction

- (CE courses less so)
- Abstract data types
- Asymptotic analysis

These abstractions have limits

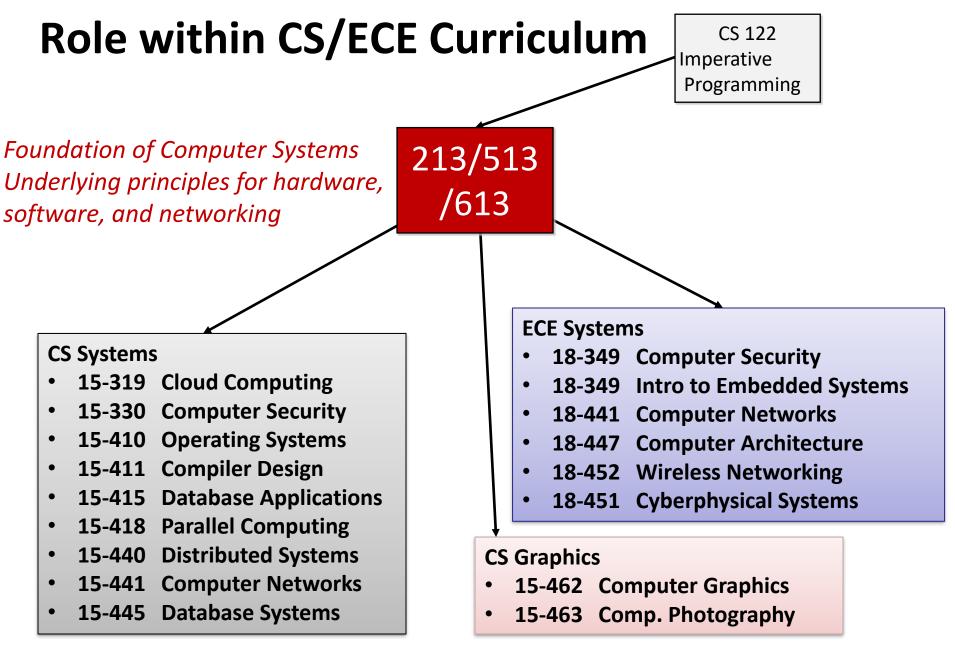
- Especially in the presence of bugs
- Need to understand details of underlying implementations
- Sometimes the abstract interfaces don't provide the level of control or performance you need

Important foundation for downstream courses, industry, etc.

Course Components

Lectures

- Higher level concepts
- In-class quizzes could tilt you to a higher grade if borderline
- Labs (8)
 - 1-2+ weeks each
 - Provide in-depth understanding of an aspect of systems
 - Programming and measurement
 - Done via Autolab
- Weekly Assignments (drop lowest two)
 - Done via Canvas
 - Reinforce concepts
 - Take-home midterm exam counts as a double homework
- Final Exam
 - Test your understanding of concepts & mathematical principles
 - Covers content from the whole semester
 - Small student groups (weekly)



Getting Help

Class Web pages:

http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~18213 for 18-213/18-613

- Complete schedule of lectures, exams, and assignments
- Copies of lectures, assignments, exams, solutions
- FAQ

Piazza

- Best place for questions about assignments
- We will fill the FAQ and Piazza with answers to common questions
- Be careful about public posts: Remember the AIV policy

Canvas

- Recorded lectures
- In-class quizzes
- Written assignments

Getting Help

Email

- Send email to individual instructors or TAs only to schedule appointments
 - (Kesden is the exception, and you can feel free to email or call, he is sometimes hard to reach otherwise)

Office hours

- TAs: Sun-Thurs 6-10 pm
- Instructor: <u>https://www.andrew.cmu.edu/~gkesden/schedule.html</u>

1:1 Appointments

You can schedule 1:1 appointments with any of the teaching staff

Small Student Groups

- Replaces recitation
- Begins next week during scheduled recitation time
- Goal: Descale the course, making it more personal and personally supportive
 - Also taming office hours, which could get crazy at times in the past.
- Groups of 5 students + 1 TA facilitator
 - Meet for 1 hour each week (Mandatory)
 - Maintain a group chat (Slack, GroupMe, Hangouts, WeChat, whatever)
 - Try to develop a good social bond, like 5 friends going through class
 - And a TA who really knows you and how to support you
 - TAs have time reserved for helping their group members, hopefully reducing dependency upon global office hours

TA Office Hours

6-10pm, Sundays – Thursdays

- Plus special office hours for CMU-SV students at the CMU-SV campus
- 6-8pm, Local or Remote; 8-10pm, Remote (via Zoom) only
- Starts soon, standby for announcement

No queue, sign up for time in 15 minute intervals

- Can sign up for as many as you'd like
 - But you can only have one outstanding appointment at a time
 - Once you finish the appointment, you can make another.
- Often times slots are immediately available
 - Even on busy days, it seems to take less than 45minutes
- Sign-ups open at a random time in the morning.
 - Don't sign up "just in case".
- Local: Ansys A050
 - Need to reserve a slot; don't stalk TAs.
- Remote: https://office-hours-01.andrew.cmu.edu:4443/
 - Via Zoom. Link in OH Page.
 - Will be in waitroom until TA is ready

Textbooks

Randal E. Bryant and David R. O'Hallaron,

- Computer Systems: A Programmer's Perspective, Third Edition (CS:APP3e), Pearson, 2016
- http://csapp.cs.cmu.edu
- This book really matters for the course!
 - How to solve labs
 - Practice problems typical of exam problems
- Electronic editions available (Don't get paperback version!)
- On reserve in Sorrells Library

Brian Kernighan and Dennis Ritchie,

- *The C Programming Language*, Second Edition, Prentice Hall, 1988
- Still the best book about C, from the originators
- Even though it does not cover more recent extensions of C
- On reserve in Sorrells Library

Autolab (https://autolab.andrew.cmu.edu)

Labs are provided by the CMU Autolab system

- Project page: <u>http://autolab.andrew.cmu.edu</u>
- Developed by CMU faculty and students
- Key ideas: Autograding and Scoreboards
 - Autograding: Providing you with instant feedback.
 - Scoreboards: Real-time, rank-ordered, and anonymous summary.
- Used by over 3,000 students each semester

With Autolab you can use your Web browser to:

- Download the lab materials
- Handin your code for autograding by the Autolab server
- View the class scoreboard
- View the complete history of your code handins, autograded results, instructor's evaluations, and gradebook.
- View the TA annotations of your code for Style points.

Facilities

Labs will use the Intel Computer Systems Cluster

- The "shark machines"
- linux> ssh shark.ics.cs.cmu.edu
- 21 servers donated by Intel for 213/513/613
 - 10 student machines (for student logins)
 - 1 head node (for instructor logins)
 - 10 grading machines (for autograding)
- Each server: Intel Core i7: 8 Nehalem cores, 32 GB DRAM, RHEL 6.1
- Rack-mounted in Gates machine room
- Login using your Andrew ID and password

Policies: Grading

Labs (50%): weighted according to effort

- Final Exam (25%)
- Written Assignments (20%): drop lowest 2
- Small group participation (5%)

Final grades based on a straight scale (90/80/70/60)

Timeliness

Grace days

- 5 grace days for the semester
- Limit of 0, 1, or 2 grace days per lab used automatically
- Covers scheduling crunch, out-of-town trips, illnesses, minor setbacks

Lateness penalties

- Once grace day(s) used up, get penalized 15% per day
- No handins later than 3 days after due date (See lab page for details)

Catastrophic events

- Major illness, death in family, ...
- Formulate a plan (with your academic advisor) to get back on track

Advice

- Once you start running late, it's really hard to catch up
- Try to save your grace days until the last few labs

Cheating/Plagiarism: Description

http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~18213/academicintegrity.html

What is NOT cheating?

- Explaining how to use systems or tools
- Helping others with high-level design issues
 - High means very high
- Using code supplied by us
 - Starter code, class examples
- Using code from the CS:APP web site

Attribution Requirements

- Starter code: No
- Other allowed code (course, CS:APP): Yes
- Indicate source, beginning and end

Some Concrete Examples:

This is Cheating:

- Searching the internet with the phrase 15-213, 15213, 213, 18213, malloclab, etc.
 - That's right, just entering it in a search engine
- Looking at someone's code on the computer next to yours
- Giving your code to someone else, now or in the future
- Posting your code in a publicly accessible place on the Internet, now or in the future
- Hacking the course infrastructure

This is OK (and encouraged):

- Googling a man page for fputs
- Asking a friend for help with gdb (but not with your code)
- Asking a TA or course instructor for help, showing them your code, ...
- Using code examples from book (with attribution)
- Talking about a (high-level) approach to the lab with a classmate

Cheating: Consequences

Penalty for cheating:

- Best case: -100% for assignment
 - You would be better off to turn in nothing
- Worst case: Removal from course with failing grade
 - This is the default
- Permanent mark on your record
- Loss of respect by you, the instructors and your colleagues
- If you do cheat come clean asap!

Detection of cheating:

- We have sophisticated tools for detecting code plagiarism
- In Fall 2015, 20 students were caught cheating and failed the course.
 - Some were expelled from the University
- In January 2016, 11 students were penalized for cheating violations that occurred as far back as Spring 2014.
- In May 2019, we gave an AIV to a student who took the course in Fall 2018 for unauthorized coaching of a Spring 2019 student. His grade was changed retroactively.

Don't do it!

- Manage your time carefully
- Ask the staff for help when you get stuck

Why It's a Big Deal

This material is best learned by doing

- Even though that can, at times, be difficult and frustrating
- Starting with a copy of a program and then tweaking it is very different from writing from scratch
 - Planning, designing, organizing a program are important skills

We are the gateway to other system courses

Want to make sure everyone completing the course has mastered the material

Industry appreciates the value of this course

 We want to make sure anyone claiming to have taken the course is prepared for the real world

Working in teams and collaboration is an important skill

- But only if team members have solid foundations
- This course is about foundations, not teamwork

How to Avoid AIVs

Start early

Don't rely on marathon programming sessions

- Your brain works better in small bursts of activity
- Ideas / solutions will come to mind while you're doing other things

Plan for stumbling blocks

- Assignment is harder than you expected
- Code doesn't work
- Bugs hard to track down
- Life gets in the way
 - Minor health issues
 - Unanticipated events

Bits, Bytes, and Integers

Representing information as bits

Bit-level manipulations

Integers

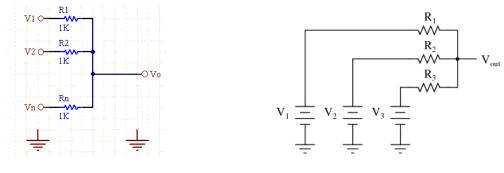
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Analog Computers

Before digital computers there were analog computers.

Consider a couple of simple analog computers:

- A simple circuit can allow one to adjust voltages using variable resistors and measure the output using a volt meter:
- A simple network of adjustable parallel resistors can allow one to find the average of the inputs.



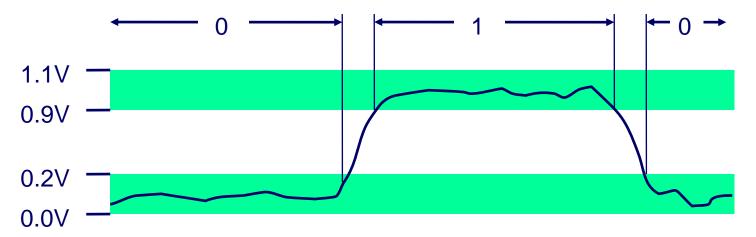
https://www.daycounter.com/Calculators/Voltage-Summer/Voltage-

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https://www.quora.com/What-is-the-most-basic-voltage-adder-circuitwithout-a-transistor-op-amp-and-any-external-supply

Needing Less Accuracy, Precision is Better

- We don't try to measure exactly
 - We just ask, is it high enough to be "On", or
 - Is it low enough to be "Off".
- We have two states, so we have a binary, or 2-ary, system.
 - We represent these states as 0 and 1
- Now we can easily interpret, communicate, and duplicate signals well enough to know what they mean.



Binary Representation

Binary representation leads to a simple binary, i.e. base-2, numbering system

- 0 represents 0
- 1 represents 1
- Each "place" represents a power of two, exactly as each place in our usual "base 10", 10-ary numbering system represents a power of 10

By encoding/interpreting sets of bits in various ways, we can represent different things:

- Operations to be executed by the processor, numbers, enumerable things, such as text characters
- As long as we can assign it to a discrete number, we can represent it in binary

Binary Representation: Simple Numbers

- For example, we can count in binary, a base-2 numbering system
 - 000, 001, 010, 011, 100, 101, 110, 111, ...
 - $000 = 0^{2^{2}} + 0^{2^{1}} + 0^{2^{0}} = 0$ (in decimal)
 - $001 = 0^{*}2^{2} + 0^{*}2^{1} + 1^{*}2^{0} = 1$ (in decimal)
 - $010 = 0^{2^{2}} + 1^{2^{1}} + 0^{2^{0}} = 2$ (in decimal)
 - $011 = 0^{*}2^{2} + 1^{*}2^{1} + 1^{*}2^{0} = 3$ (in decimal)
 - Etc.

For reference, consider some base-10 examples:

- $000 = 0*10^2 + 0*10^{1} + 0*10^{0}$
- $001 = 0*10^2 + 0*10^{1} + 1*10^{0}$
- $357 = 3*10^2 + 5*10^{1} + 7*2^{0}$

Hexadecimal and Octal

Writing out numbers in binary takes too many digits

We want a way to represent numbers more densely such that fewer digits are required

But also such that it is easy to get at the bits that we want

Any power-of-two base provides this property

- Octal, e.g. base-8, and hexadecimal, e.g. base-16 are the closest to our familiar base-10.
- Each has been used by "computer people" over time
- Hexadecimal is often preferred because it is denser.

Hexadecimal

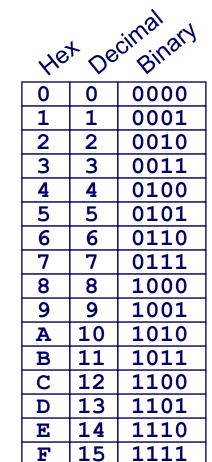
Hexadecimal 00₁₆ to FF₁₆

- Base 16 number representation
- Use characters '0' to '9' and 'A' to 'F'

Consider 1A2B in Hexadecimal:

- $1*16^3$ + $A*16^2$ + $2*16^1$ + $B*16^0$
- $1*16^3 + 10*16^2 + 2*16^1 + 11*16^0 = 6699$ (decimal)
- The C Language prefixes hexadecimal numbers with "0x" so they aren't confused with decimal numbers
- Write FA1D37B₁₆ in C as
 - 0xFA1D37B

• 0xfa1d37b5213: 0011 1011-0110



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Boolean Algebra

Developed by George Boole in 19th Century

- Algebraic representation of logic
 - Encode "True" as 1 and "False" as 0

And

• A&B = 1 when both A=1 and B=1 $\frac{\& 0 1}{0 0 0}$

Not

~A = 1 when A=0

Or

A | B = 1 when either A=1 or B=1

I
0
1

0
0
1

1
1
1

Exclusive-Or (Xor)

• $A^B = 1$ when either A=1 or B=1, but not both $\begin{array}{r} & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$

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General Boolean Algebras

Operate on Bit Vectors

Operations applied bitwise

	01101001	01101001	01101001	
&	01010101	01010101	<u>^ 01010101</u>	<u>~ 01010101</u>
	01000001	01111101	00111100	10101010

All of the Properties of Boolean Algebra Apply

Example: Representing & Manipulating Sets

Representation

- Width w bit vector represents subsets of {0, ..., w-1}
- $a_j = 1$ if $j \in A$
 - 01101001 { 0, 3, 5, 6 }
 - 7<u>65</u>4<u>3</u>210
 - 01010101 { 0, 2, 4, 6 }
 - 7<u>6</u>5<u>4</u>3<u>2</u>10

Operations

Intersection 01000001 {0,6} ■ & Union 01111101 {0, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6} Symmetric difference 00111100 { 2, 3, 4, 5 } Δ Complement 10101010 { 1, 3, 5, 7 } \sim

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Bit-Level Operations in C

Operations &, |, ~, ^ Available in C

- Apply to any "integral" data type
 - long, int, short, char, unsigned
- View arguments as bit vectors
- Arguments applied bit-wise

Examples (Char data type)

- ∼0x41 →
- ∼0x00 →
 - •
- 0x69 & 0x55 →

■ 0x69 | 0x55 →

-	Het Decimal Binary		
He	r Oe	Birry	
0		0000	
1 2 3	1 2 3	0001	
2	2	0010	
3		0011	
4	4	0100	
5 6 7	5	0101	
6	6	0110	
7	7	0111	
8	8	1000	
9	9	1001	
Α	10	1010	
В	11	1011	
С	12	1100	
D	13	1101	
E	14	1110	
F	15	1111	

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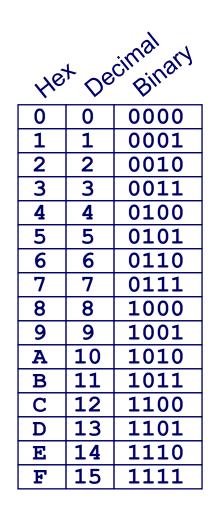
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- ~0x00 → 1111 1111

0x69 & 0x55:	0x69 0x55:	
0110 1001	0110 1001	
& 0101 0101	0101 0101	
0100 0001	0111 1101	



Contrast: Logic Operations in C

Contrast to Bit-Level Operators

- Logic Operations: &&, ||, !
 - View 0 as "False"
 - Anything nonzero as "True"
 - Always return 0 or 1
 - Early termination

Examples (char data type)

- !0x41 → 0x00
- $!0x00 \rightarrow 0x01$
- I:!0x41→ 0x01
- $0x69 \&\& 0x55 \rightarrow 0x01$
- $0x69 \mid \mid 0x55 \rightarrow 0x01$
- p && *p (avoids null pointer access)

Watch out for && vs. & (and || vs. |)... Super common C programming pitfall!

Shift Operations

Left Shift: x << y

- Shift bit-vector x left y positions
 - Throw away extra bits on left
 - Fill with 0's on right

■ Right Shift: x >> y

- Shift bit-vector x right y positions
 - Throw away extra bits on right
- Logical shift
 - Fill with 0's on left
- Arithmetic shift
 - Replicate most significant bit on left

Undefined Behavior

Shift amount < 0 or ≥ word size</p>

Argument x	<mark>01100010</mark>	
<< 3	00010 <i>000</i>	
Log. >> 2	<i>00</i> 011000	
Arith. >> 2	<i>00</i> 011000	

Argument x	10100010
<< 3	00010 <i>000</i>
Log. >> 2	<i>00</i> 101000
Arith. >> 2	<i>11</i> 101000

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- Representing information as bits
- Bit-level manipulations

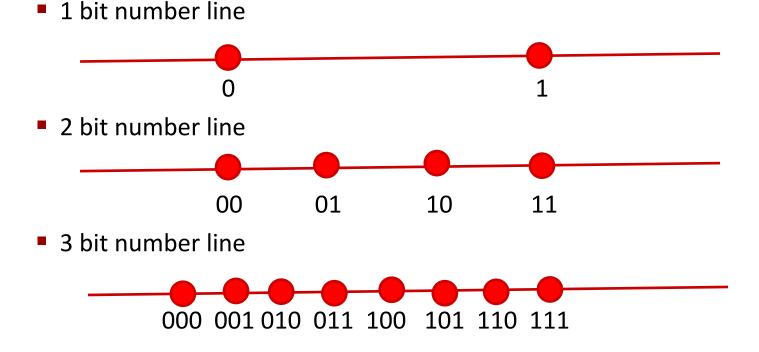
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Binary Number Lines

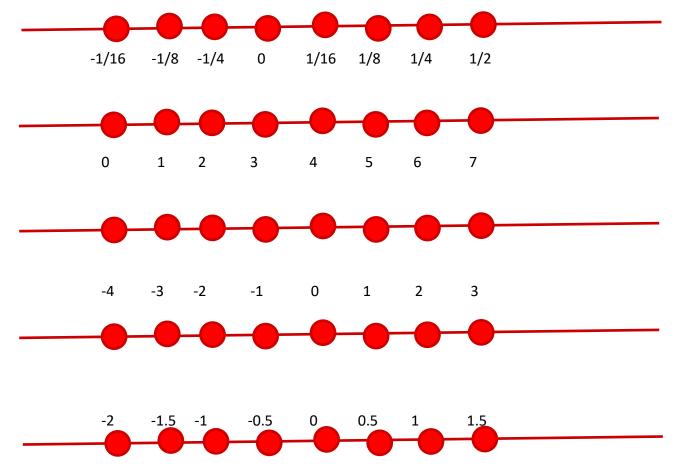
- In binary, the number of bits in the data type size determines the number of points on the number line.
 - We can assign the points any meaning we'd like

Consider the following examples:



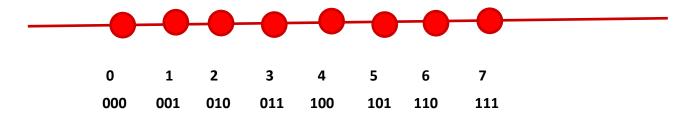
Some Purely Imaginary Examples

3 bit number line



Overflow

Let's consider a simple 3 digit number line:



What happens if we add 1 to 7?

In other words, what happens if we add 1 to 111?

111+ 001 = 1 000

- But, we only get 3 bits so we lose the leading-1.
- This is called overflow

The result is 000

Modulus Arithmetic

Let's explore this idea of overflow some more

- $111 + 001 = 1\ 000 = 000$
- 111 + 010 = 1001 = 001
- 111 + 011 = 1010 = 010
- -111 + 100 = 1011 = 011
- •
- 111 + 110 = 1 101 = 101
- 111 + 111 = 1 110 = 110

So, arithmetic "wraps around" when it gets "too positive"

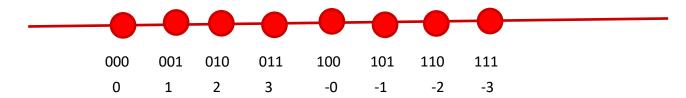
Unsigned and Non-Negative Integers

- We'll use the term "ints" to mean the finite set of integer numbers that we can represent on a number line enumerated by some fixed number of bits, i.e. *bit width*.
- We normally represent unsigned and non-negative int using simple binary as we have already discussed
 - An "unsigned" int is any int on a number line, e.g. of a data type, that doesn't contain any negative numbers
 - A non-negative number is a number greater than or equal to (>=) 0 on a number line, e.g. of a data type, that does contain negative numbers

How represent negative Numbers?

• We could use the leading bit as a *sign bit*.

- 0 means non-negative
- 1 means negative



This has some benefits

- It lets us represent negative and non-negative numbers
- 0 represents 0

It also has some drawbacks

- There is a -0, which is the same as 0, except that it is different
- How to add such numbers 1 + -1 should equal 0
 - But, by simple math, 001 + 101 = 110, which is -2?

A Magic Trick!

Let's just start with three ideas:

- 1 should be represented as 1
- -1 + 1 = 0
- We want addition to work in the familiar way, with simple rules.

■ We want a situation where "-1" + 1 = 0

Consider a 3 bit number:

- 001 + "-1" = 0
- 001 + 111 = 0
 - Remember 001 + 111 = 1 000, and the leading one is lost to overflow.

■ "-1" = 111

Yep!

Negative Numbers

Well, if 111 is -1, what is -2?

- **-**1 1
- 111 001 = 110

Does that really work?

- If it does -2 + 2 = 0
- -110 + 010 = 1000 = 000

-2 + 5 should be 3, right?

110 + 101 = 1011 = 011

Finding –x the easy way

- Given a non-negative number in binary, e.g. 5, represented with a fixed bit width, e.g. 4
 - 0101

We can find its negative by flipping each bit and adding 1

- 0101 This is 5
- I010 This is the "ones complement of 5", e.g. 5 with bits flipped
- 1011 This is the "twos complement of 5", e.g. 5 with the bits flipped and 1 added
- $\bullet 0101 + 1011 = 10000 = 0000$
- -x = ~x+1

Because of the fixed width, the "two's complement" of a number can be used as its negative.

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Why Does This Work?

- Consider any number and its (ones) complement:
 - 0101
 - **1010**
- They are called complements because complementary bits are set. As a result, if they are added, all bits are necessarily set:
 - 0101 + 1010 = 1111
- Adding 1 to the sum of a number and its complement necessarily results in a 0 due to overflow
 - $\bullet (0101 + 1010) + 1 = 1111 + 1 = 10000 = 0000$

And if x + y = 0, y must equal –x

Why Does This Work? Cont.

- If x + y = 0
 - y must equal –x

So if x + (Complement(x) + 1) = 0

Complement(x) + 1 must equal –x

Another way of looking at it:

- if x + (Complement(x) + 1) = 0
- x + Complement(x) = -1
- x = -1 Complement(x)
- -x = 1 + Complement(x)

Visualizing Two's Complement

Numbers "wrap around" with -1 at the very end



000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
0	1	2	3	-4	-3	-2	-1

A few things to note:

- All negative numbers start with a "1"
 - E.g. 100 is "-4"
- You can view the leading "1" as introducing a "-4"
 - E.g. 101 = 1*-4+0*2+1*1= -3
 - But 010 = 0*-4+1*2+0*1 = 2
- -4 is missing a positive partner

Complement & Increment Examples

x = **0**

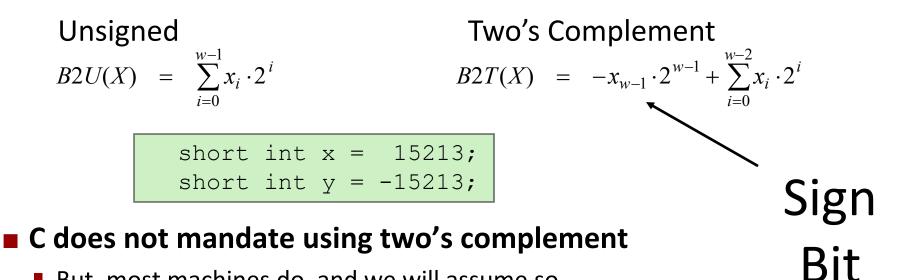
	Decimal	Hex	Binary
0	0	00 00	0000000 0000000
~0	-1	FF FF	11111111 11111111
~0+1	0	00 00	0000000 0000000

x = Tmin (The most negative two's complement number)

	Decimal	Hex	Binary
x	-32768	80 00	1000000 0000000
~x	32767	7F FF	01111111 11111111
~x+1	-32768	80 00	1000000 0000000

Canonical counter example

Encoding Integers: Dense Form



But, most machines do, and we will assume so

C short 2 bytes long

	Decimal	Hex	Binary				
х	15213	3B 6D	00111011 01101101				
У	-15213	C4 93	11000100 10010011				

Sign Bit

- For 2's complement, most significant bit indicates sign
 - 0 for nonnegative

1 for negative
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Numeric Ranges

- Unsigned Values
 - UMin = 0
 000...0
 - $UMax = 2^w 1$

111...1

- Two's Complement Values
 - $TMin = -2^{w-1}$ 100...0
 - $TMax = 2^{w-1} 1$

011...1

Minus 1

111...1

Values for W = 16

	Decimal	Hex	Binary				
UMax	65535	FF FF	11111111 11111111				
TMax	32767	7F FF	01111111 11111111				
TMin	-32768	80 00	1000000 0000000				
-1	-1	FF FF	11111111 11111111				
0	0	00 00	0000000 0000000				

Quiz Time!

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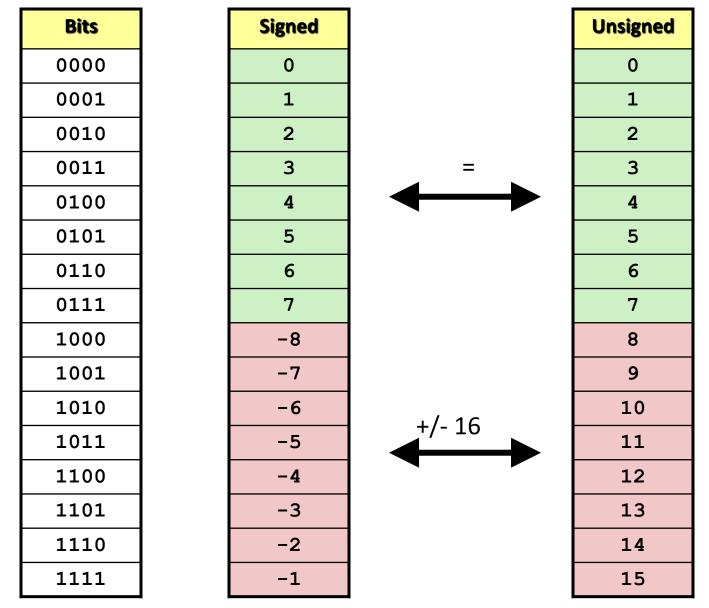
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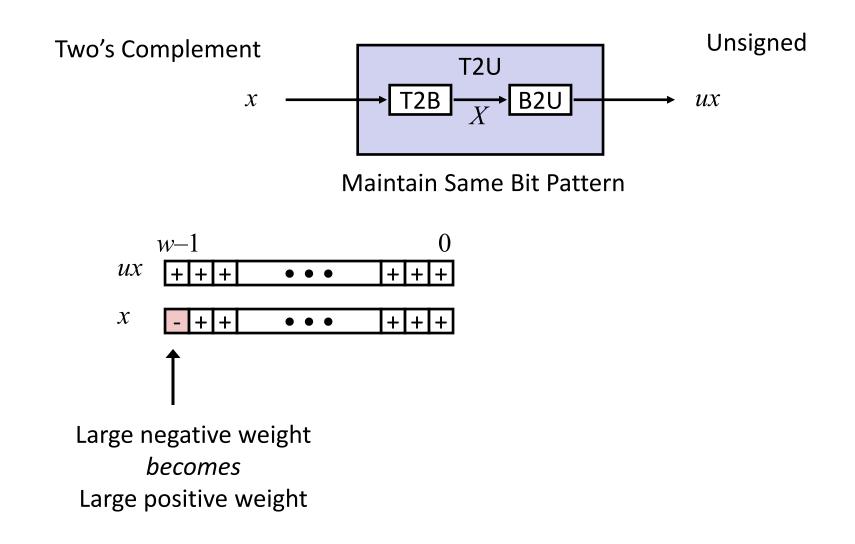
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Mapping Signed ↔ Unsigned



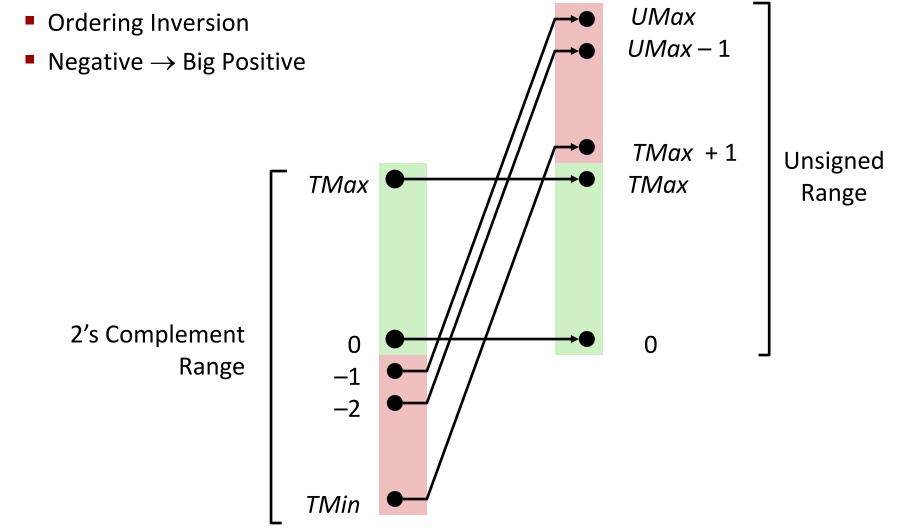
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Relation between Signed & Unsigned



Conversion Visualized

2's Comp. \rightarrow Unsigned



Signed vs. Unsigned in C

Constants

- By default are considered to be signed integers
- Unsigned if have "U" as suffix

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Casting

- Explicit casting between signed & unsigned same as U2T and T2U int tx, ty;
 unsigned ux, uy;
 tx = (int) ux;
 uy = (unsigned) ty;
- Implicit casting also occurs via assignments and procedure calls
 tx = ux;
 int fun(unsigned u);
 uy = ty;
 uy = fun(tx);

Casting Surprises

Expression Evaluation

If there is a mix of unsigned and signed in single expression, signed values implicitly cast to unsigned

- Including comparison operations <, >, ==, <=, >=
- Examples for W = 32: TMIN = -2,147,483,648, TMAX = 2,147,483,647

Constant ₁	Constant ₂	Relation	Evaluation
0	0U	==	unsigned
-1	0	<	signed
-1	0U	>	unsigned
2147483647	-2147483647-1	>	signed
2147483647U	-2147483647-1	<	unsigned
-1	-2	>	signed
(unsigned)-1	-2	>	unsigned
2147483647	2147483648U	<	unsigned
2147483647	(int) 2147483648U	>	signed

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Summary Casting Signed 4 Unsigned: Basic Rules

- Bit pattern is maintained
- But reinterpreted
- Can have unexpected effects: adding or subtracting 2^w

Expression containing signed and unsigned int

int is cast to unsigned!!

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Sign Extension

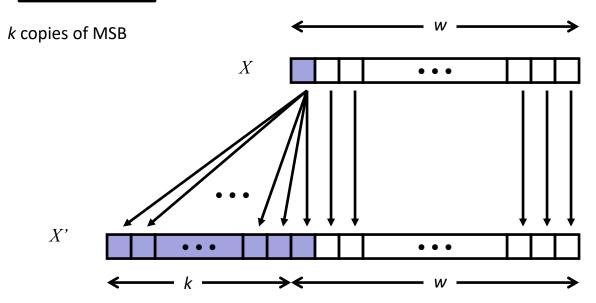
Task:

- Given w-bit signed integer x
- Convert it to w+k-bit integer with same value

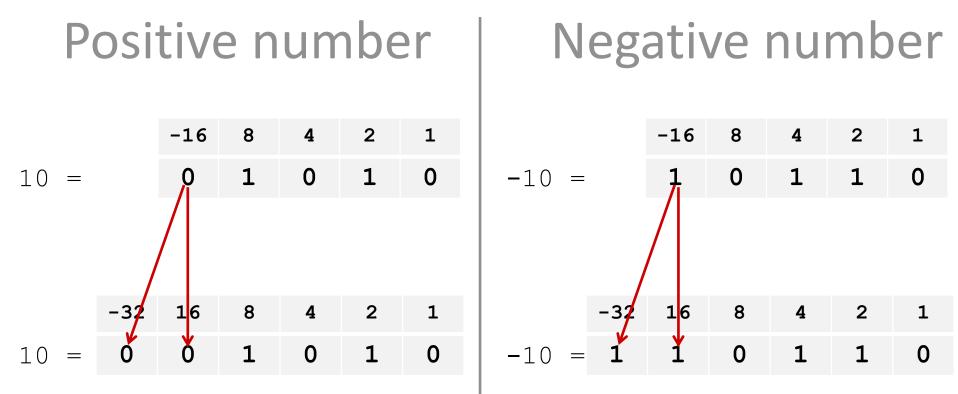
Rule:

• Make *k* copies of sign bit:

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$$X' = x_{w-1}, ..., x_{w-1}, x_{w-1}, x_{w-2}, ..., x_0$$



Sign Extension: Simple Example



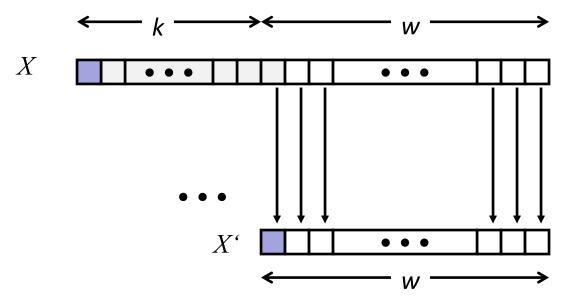
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Task:

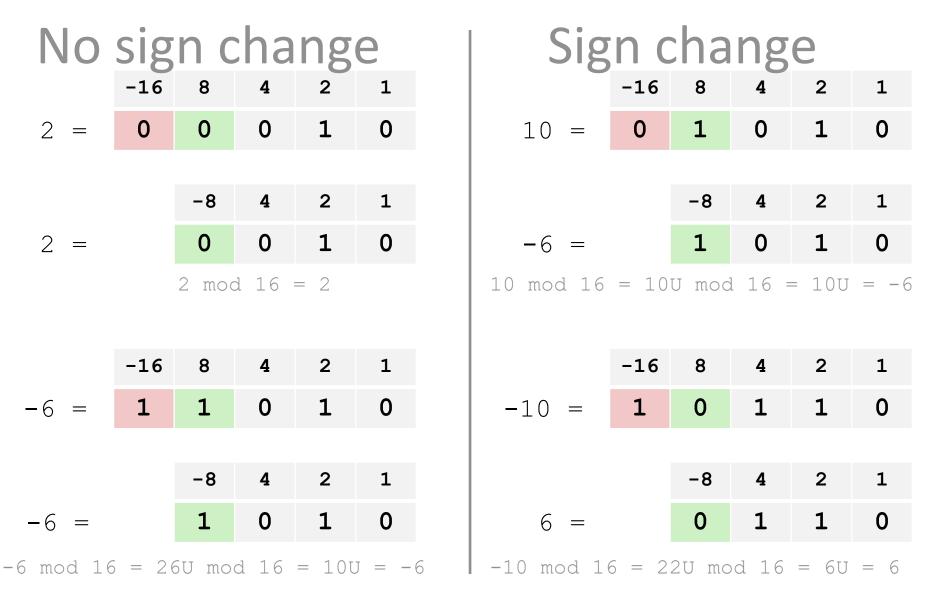
- Given k+w-bit signed or unsigned integer X
- Convert it to w-bit integer X' with same value for "small enough" X

Rule:

- Drop top k bits:
- $X \square = x_{w-1}, x_{w-2}, ..., x_0$



Truncation: Simple Example



Summary: Expanding, Truncating: Basic Rules

Expanding (e.g., short int to int)

- Unsigned: zeros added
- Signed: sign extension
- Both yield expected result

Truncating (e.g., unsigned to unsigned short)

- Unsigned/signed: bits are truncated
- Result reinterpreted
- Unsigned: mod operation
- Signed: similar to mod
- For small (in magnitude) numbers yields expected behavior

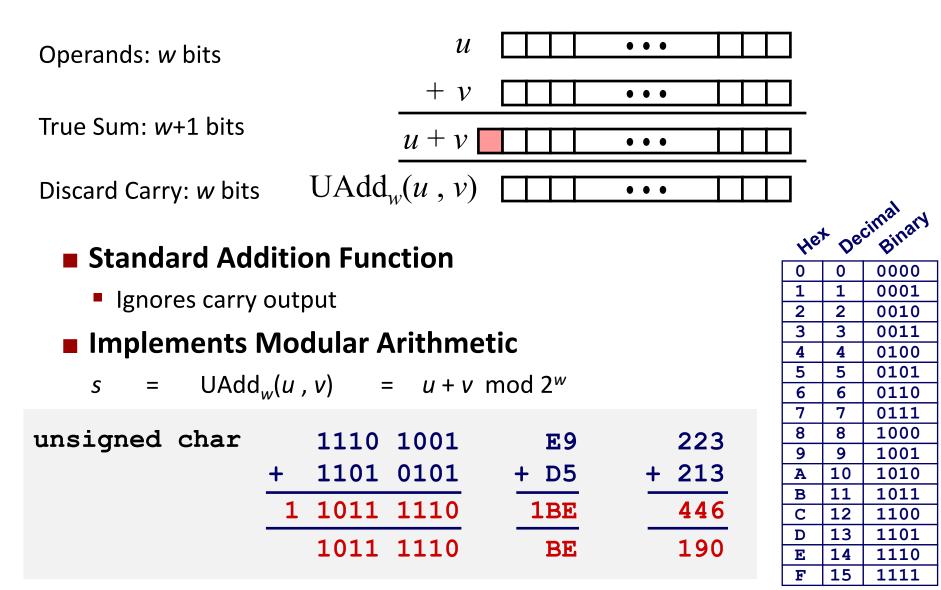
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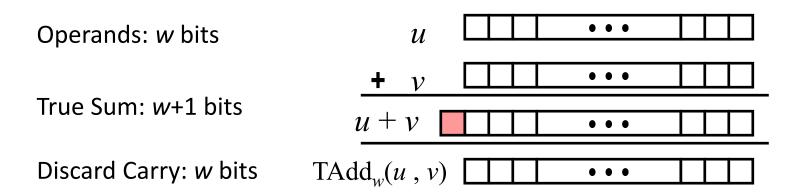
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Unsigned Addition

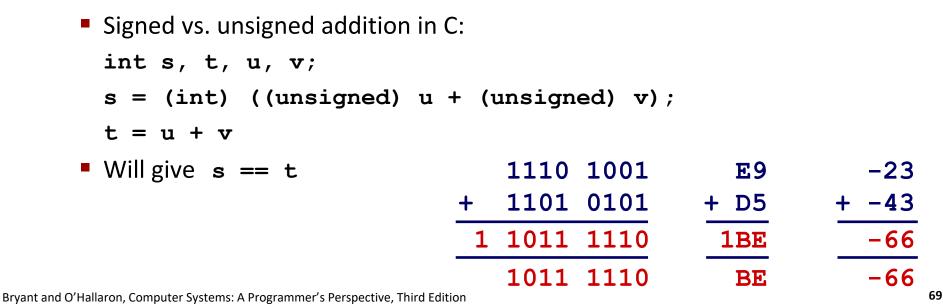


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Two's Complement Addition



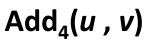
TAdd and UAdd have Identical Bit-Level Behavior

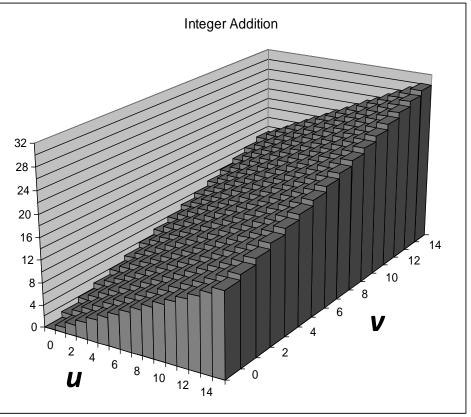


Visualizing "True Sum" Integer Addition

Integer Addition

- 4-bit integers *u*, *v*
- Compute true sum
 Add₄(*u*, *v*)
- Values increase linearly with *u* and *v*
- Forms planar surface



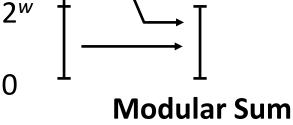


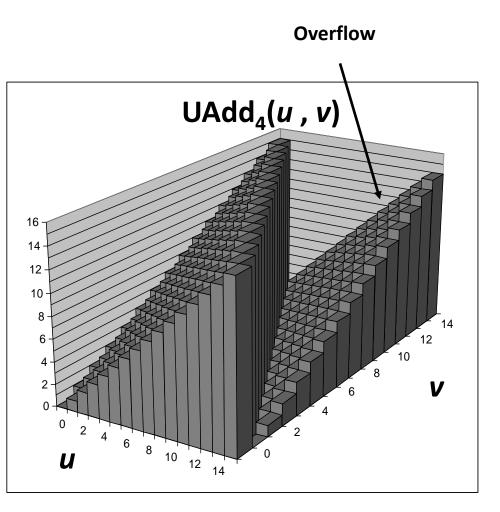
Visualizing Unsigned Addition

Wraps Around

- If true sum $\geq 2^{w}$
- At most once

True Sum 2^{w+1} Overflow 2^{w}





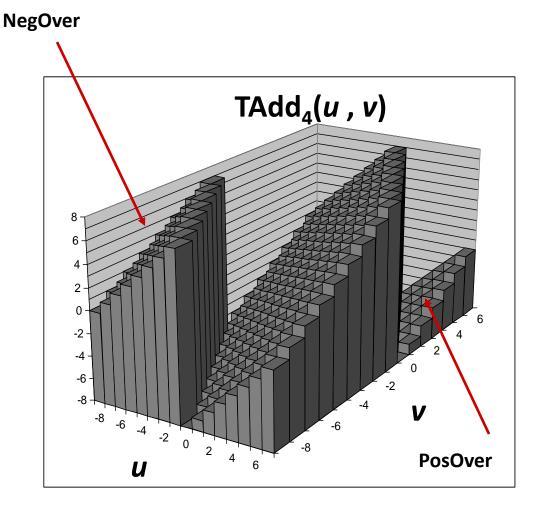
Visualizing 2's Complement Addition

Values

- 4-bit two's comp.
- Range from -8 to +7

Wraps Around

- If sum $\geq 2^{w-1}$
 - Becomes negative
 - At most once
- If sum < -2^{w-1}
 - Becomes positive
 - At most once



Multiplication

Goal: Computing Product of *w*-bit numbers *x*, *y*

- Either signed or unsigned
- Result: Same as computing ideal, exact result x*y and keeping w lower bits.

Ideal, exact results can be bigger than w bits

- Worst case is up to 2w bits
 - Unsigned, because all bits are magnitude
 - Signed, but only for Tmin*Tmin, because anything added to Tmin reduces its magnitude and Tmax is less than Tmin.

So, maintaining exact results...

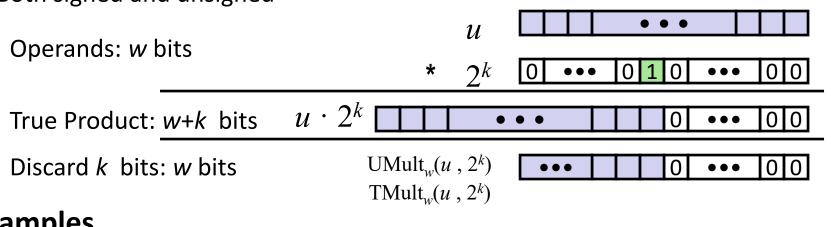
- would need to keep expanding word size with each product computed
- Impossible in hardware (at least without limits), as all resources are finite
- In practice, is done in software, if needed
 - e.g., by "arbitrary precision" arithmetic packages

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Power-of-2 Multiply with Shift

Operation

- u << k gives u * 2^k
- Both signed and unsigned

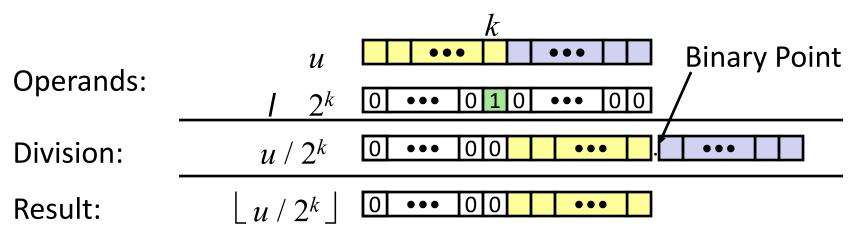


- Examples
 - u << 3 == u * 8
 - $(u \ll 5) (u \ll 3) == u \ast 24$
 - Most machines shift and add faster than multiply
 - Compiler generates this code automatically

Unsigned Power-of-2 Divide with Shift

Quotient of Unsigned by Power of 2

- $\mathbf{u} \gg \mathbf{k}$ gives $\lfloor \mathbf{u} / 2^k \rfloor$
 - Uses logical shift

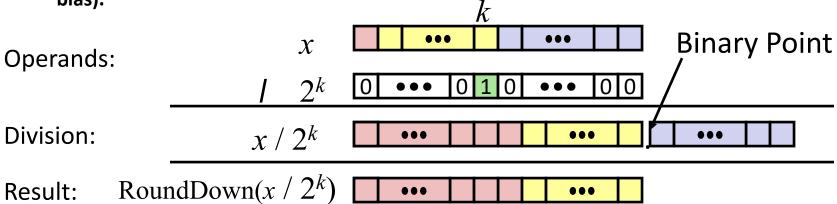


	Division	Computed	Hex	Binary
x	15213	15213	3B 6D	00111011 01101101
x >> 1	7606.5	7606	1D B6	00011101 10110110
x >> 4	950.8125	950	03 B6	00000011 10110110
x >> 8	59.4257813	59	00 3B	0000000 00111011

Signed Power-of-2 Divide with Shift

Quotient of Signed by Power of 2

- $\mathbf{x} \gg \mathbf{k}$ gives $\lfloor \mathbf{x} / 2^k \rfloor$
 - Uses arithmetic shift
 - Rounds to the left, not towards zero (Unlikely to be what is expected, introduces a bias).



	Division	Computed	Hex	Binary
x	-15213	-15213	C4 93	11000100 10010011
x >> 1	-7606.5	-7607	E2 49	1 1100010 01001001
x >> 4	-950.8125	-951	FC 49	1111 100 01001001
x >> 8	-59.4257813	-60	FF C4	1111111 11000100

Round-toward-0 Divide

Quotient of Negative Number by Power of 2

- Want $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} / \mathbf{2}^k \end{bmatrix}$ (Round Toward 0)
- Compute as [(x+(2^k−1)) / 2^k]
 - In C: (x + (1<<k)-1) >> k
 - Biases dividend toward 0

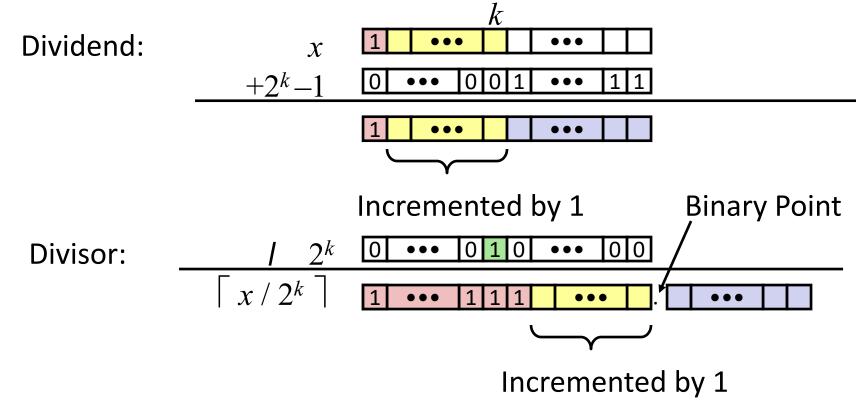
Case 1: No rounding k Dividend: 0 00 11 $+2^{k}-1$ 0 01011 ... **Binary Point** 2^k 00 0 Divisor: 0 () ... $|u/2^k|$

Biasing has no effect

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Correct Power-of-2 Divide (Cont.)

Case 2: Rounding



Biasing adds 1 to final result

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- So, how are the bytes within a multi-byte word ordered in memory?
- Conventions
 - Big Endian: Sun (Oracle SPARC), PPC Mac, Internet
 - Least significant byte has highest address
 - Little Endian: x86, ARM processors running Android, iOS, and Linux
 - Least significant byte has lowest address
- Becomes a concern when data is communicated
 - Over a network, via files, etc.

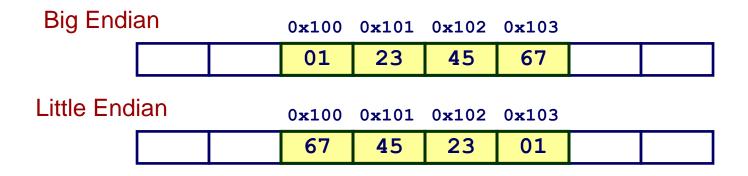
Important notes

- Bits are not reversed, as the low order bit is the reference point.
- Doesn't affect chars, or strings (arrays of chars), as chars are only one byte

Byte Ordering Example

Example

- Variable x has 4-byte value of 0x01234567
- Address given by &x is 0x100

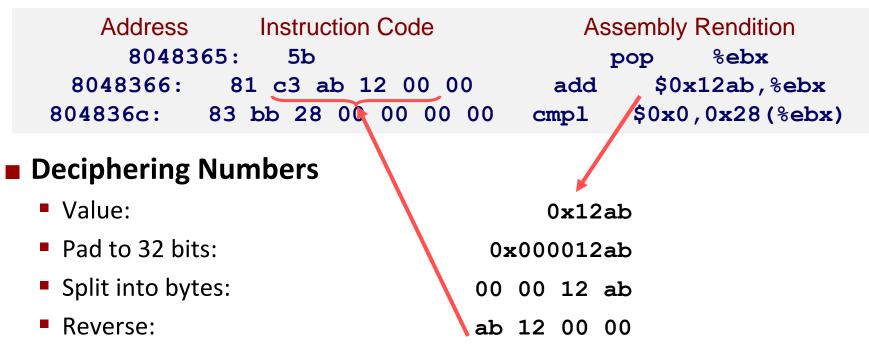


Reading Byte-Reversed Listings

Disassembly

- Text representation of binary machine code
- Generated by program that reads the machine code

Example Fragment



Thanks!

Questions?

- See you for office hours!
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