

15-213 "The Class That Gives CMU Its Zip!"

Bits, Bytes, and Integers August 27, 2009

Topics

- Representing information as bits
- Bit-level manipulations
 - Boolean algebra
 - Expressing in C
- Representations of Integers
 - Basic properties and operations
 - Implications for C

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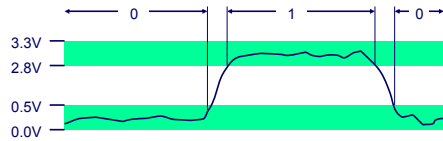
Binary Representations

Base 2 Number Representation

- Represent 15213_{10} as 11101101101101_2
- Represent 1.20_{10} as $1.0011001100110011[0011]..._2$
- Represent 1.5213×10^4 as $1.1101101101101_2 \times 2^{13}$

Electronic Implementation

- Easy to store with bistable elements
- Reliably transmitted on noisy and inaccurate wires



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Encoding Byte Values

Byte = 8 bits

- Binary 00000000_2 to 11111111_2
- Decimal: 0_{10} to 255_{10}
- Hexadecimal 00_{16} to FF_{16}
 - Base 16 number representation
 - Use characters '0' to '9' and 'A' to 'F'
 - Write $FA1D37B_{16}$ in C as $0xFA1D37B$
 - » Or $0xfa1d37b$

Hex	Decimal	Binary
0	0	0000
1	1	0001
2	2	0010
3	3	0011
4	4	0100
5	5	0101
6	6	0110
7	7	0111
8	8	1000
9	9	1001
A	10	1010
B	11	1011
C	12	1100
D	13	1101
E	14	1110
F	15	1111

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Back to bits: 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 $B=1$
- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |

Or

- $A|B = 1$ when either $A=1$ or $B=1$
- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

Not

- $\sim A = 1$ when $A=0$
- | | |
|---|---|
| | |
| 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 |

Exclusive-Or (Xor)

- $A \wedge B = 1$ when either $A=1$ or $B=1$, but not both
- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |

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General Boolean Algebras

Operate on Bit Vectors

- Operations applied bitwise

```

01101001  01101001  01101001
& 01010101 | 01010101 ^ 01010101 ~ 01010101
01000001  01111101  00111100  10101010
    
```

All of the Properties of Boolean Algebra Apply

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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)

- $\sim 0x41 \rightarrow 0xBE$
 $\sim 01000001_2 \rightarrow 10111110_2$
- $\sim 0x00 \rightarrow 0xFF$
 $\sim 00000000_2 \rightarrow 11111111_2$
- $0x69 \& 0x55 \rightarrow 0x41$
 $01101001_2 \& 01010101_2 \rightarrow 01000001_2$
- $0x69 | 0x55 \rightarrow 0x7D$
 $01101001_2 | 01010101_2 \rightarrow 01111101_2$

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Contrast: Logic Operations in C

Contrast to Logical Operators

- `&&`, `||`, `!`
 - View 0 as "False"
 - Anything non-zero as "True"
 - Anything non-zero as "True"

Exam Watch out for `&&` vs. `&` (and `||` vs. `|`)... one of the more common oopsies in C programming

- `0x69 && 0x55 --> 0x01`
- `0x69 || 0x55 --> 0x01`
- `p && *p` (avoids null pointer access)

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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

Argument x	01100010
<< 3	00010000
Log. >> 2	00010000
Arith. >> 2	00010000

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 right

Argument x	10100010
<< 3	00010000
Log. >> 2	00010000
Arith. >> 2	11100000

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Memory organization

Programs refer to data by address

- address space viewed as a large array of bytes
- an address is like an index into that array

Any given computer has a "Word Size"

- nominal size of integer-valued data
 - and, usually, of addresses
- 32 bits is still most common
 - though 64 bits is emerging

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Data Representations

Sizes of C Objects (in Bytes)

C Data Type	Typical 32-bit	Intel IA32	x86-64
● unsigned [int]	4	4	4
● int	4	4	4
● long int	4	4	4
● char	1	1	1
● short	2	2	2
● float	4	4	4
● double	8	8	8
● long double	-	10/12	10/12
● char *	4	4	8

» Or any other pointer

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Encoding Integers

Unsigned

$$B2U(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{w-1} x_i \cdot 2^i$$

Two's Complement

$$B2T(X) = -x_{w-1} \cdot 2^{w-1} + \sum_{i=0}^{w-2} x_i \cdot 2^i$$

```
short int x = 15213;
short int y = -15213;
```

- C short 2 bytes long

	Decimal	Hex	Binary
x	15213	3B 6D	00111011 01101101
y	-15213	C4 93	11000100 10010011

Sign Bit

Sign Bit

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

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Encoding Example (Cont.)

```
x = 15213: 00111011 01101101
y = -15213: 11000100 10010011
```

Weight	15213	-15213
1	1	1
2	0	1
4	1	0
8	1	0
16	0	1
32	1	0
64	1	0
128	0	1
256	1	0
512	1	0
1024	0	1
2048	1	0
4096	1	0
8192	1	0
16384	0	1
-32768	0	1
Sum	15213	-15213

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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

Other Values

- 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	10000000 00000000
-1	-1	FF FF	11111111 11111111
0	0	00 00	00000000 00000000

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Signed vs. unsigned ints in C

Constants

- By default, considered to be signed integers
- Unsigned if have "U" as suffix
0U, 4294967259U

Casting

- Can explicitly cast between signed & unsigned
int tx, ty;
unsigned ux, uy;
tx = (int) ux;
uy = (unsigned) ty;
- Implicit casting also occurs via assignments (and function calls)
tx = ux;
uy = ty;

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Casting Surprises

Expression Evaluation

- If mix unsigned and signed in single expression, signed values implicitly cast to unsigned
- Including comparison operations <, >, ==, <=, >=
- Examples for $W = 32$

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

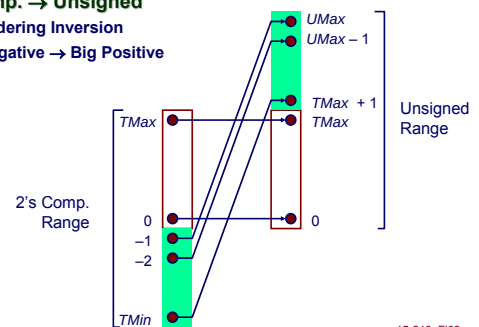
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Visual of casting

2's Comp. → Unsigned

- Ordering Inversion
- Negative → Big Positive



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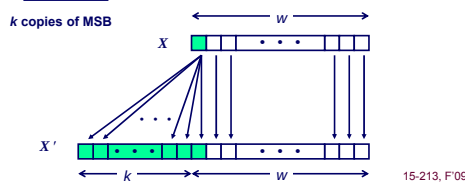
Sign Extension

Task:

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

Rule:

- Make k copies of sign bit:
- $X' = \underbrace{X_{w-1}, \dots, X_{w-1}}_{k \text{ copies of MSB}}, X_{w-1}, X_{w-2}, \dots, X_0$



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Sign Extension Example

```
short int x = 15213;
int ix = (int) x;
short int y = -15213;
int iy = (int) y;
```

	Decimal	Hex	Binary
x	15213	3B 6D	00111011 01101101
ix	15213	00 00 3B 6D	00000000 00000000 00111011 01101101
y	-15213	C4 93	11000100 10010011
iy	-15213	FF FF C4 93	11111111 11111111 11000100 10010011

- Converting from smaller to larger integer data type
- C automatically performs sign extension

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Unsigned Addition



Standard Addition Function

- Ignores carry output

Implements Modular Arithmetic

$$s = UAdd_w(u, v) = u + v \bmod 2^w$$

$$UAdd_w(u, v) = \begin{cases} u + v & u + v < 2^w \\ u + v - 2^w & u + v \geq 2^w \end{cases}$$

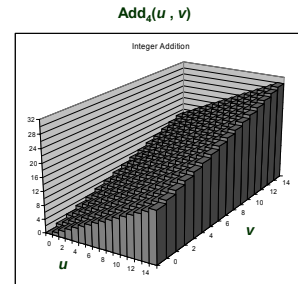
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Visualizing what should happen

Integer Addition

- As in, actual math, not computer math
- 4-bit integers u, v
- Compute true sum $Add_4(u, v)$
- Values increase linearly with u and v
- Forms planar surface



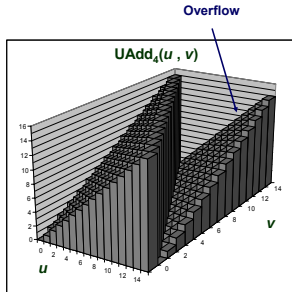
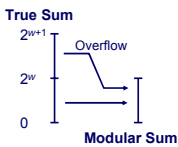
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Visualizing actually happens

Wraps Around

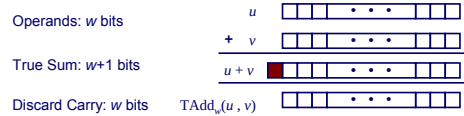
- If true sum $\geq 2^w$
- At most once



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Two's Complement Addition



TAdd and UAdd have Identical Bit-Level Behavior

- Signed vs. unsigned addition in C:

```
int s, t, u, v;
s = (int) ((unsigned) u + (unsigned) v);
t = u + v;
```
- Will give $s == t$

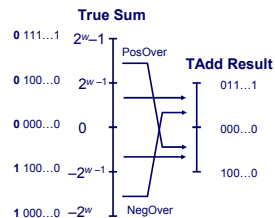
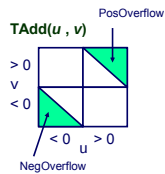
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Characterizing TAdd

Functionality

- True sum requires $w+1$ bits
- Drop off MSB
- Treat remaining bits as 2's comp. integer



$$TAdd_w(u, v) = \begin{cases} u + v + 2^{w-1} & u + v < TMin_w \text{ (NegOver)} \\ u + v & TMin_w \leq u + v \leq TMax_w \\ u + v - 2^{w-1} & TMax_w < u + v \text{ (PosOver)} \end{cases}$$

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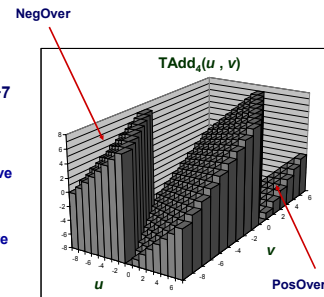
Visualizing what actually happens

Values

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

Wraps Around

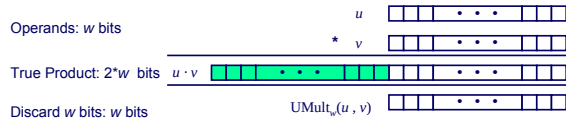
- If sum $\geq 2^{w-1}$
 - Becomes negative
 - At most once
- If sum $< -2^{w-1}$
 - Becomes positive
 - At most once



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Unsigned Multiplication in C



Standard Multiplication Function

- Ignores high order w bits

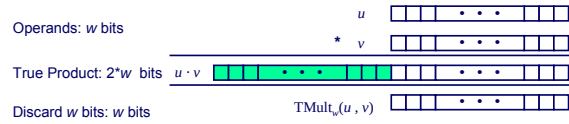
Implements Modular Arithmetic

$$UMult_w(u, v) = u \cdot v \bmod 2^w$$

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Signed Multiplication in C



Standard Multiplication Function

- Ignores high order w bits
- Some of which are different for signed vs. unsigned multiplication
- Lower bits are the same

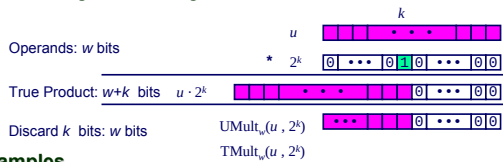
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Power-of-2 Multiply with Shift

Operation

- $u \ll k$ gives $u * 2^k$
- Both signed and unsigned



Examples

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

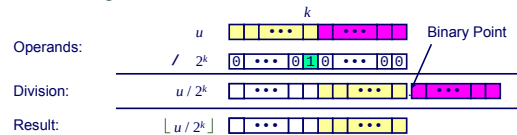
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Unsigned Power-of-2 Divide with Shift

Quotient of Unsigned by Power of 2

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



	Division	Computed	Hex	Binary
x	15213	15213	3B 6D	00111011 01101101
$x \gg 1$	7606.5	7606	1D B6	00011101 10110110
$x \gg 4$	950.8125	950	03 B6	00000011 10110110
$x \gg 8$	59.4257813	59	00 3B	00000000 00111011

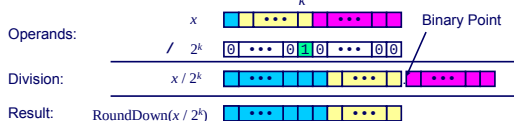
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Signed Power-of-2 Divide with Shift

Quotient of Signed by Power of 2

- $x \gg k$ gives $\lfloor x / 2^k \rfloor$
- Uses arithmetic shift
- Rounds wrong direction when $u < 0$



	Division	Computed	Hex	Binary
y	-15213	-15213	C4 93	11000100 10010011
$y \gg 1$	-7606.5	-7607	E2 49	11100010 01001001
$y \gg 4$	-950.8125	-951	FC 49	11111100 01001001
$y \gg 8$	-59.4257813	-60	FF C4	11111111 11000100

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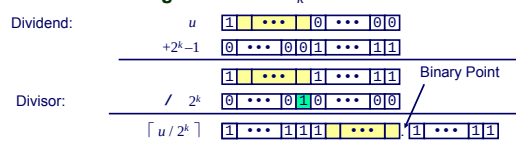
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Correct Power-of-2 Divide

Quotient of Negative Number by Power of 2

- Want $\lceil x / 2^k \rceil$ (Round Toward 0)
- Compute as $\lfloor (x + 2^k - 1) / 2^k \rfloor$
 - In C: $(x + (1 \ll k) - 1) \gg k$
 - Biases dividend toward 0

Case 1: No rounding



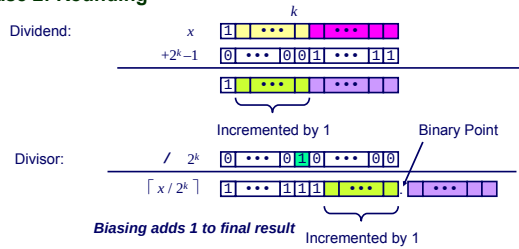
Biasing has no effect

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Correct Power-of-2 Divide (Cont.)

Case 2: Rounding



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Representing Strings

Strings in C

char S[6] = "15213";

- Represented by array of characters
- Each character encoded in ASCII format
 - Standard 7-bit encoding of character set
 - Character "0" has code 0x30
 - Digit i has code $0x30+i$
- String should be null-terminated
 - Final character = 0

31
35
32
31
33
00

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What's next

Recitation on Monday

- autolab, fish machines, datalab
- get started on lab #1 before then...

Floating point (Tues): representations and arithmetic

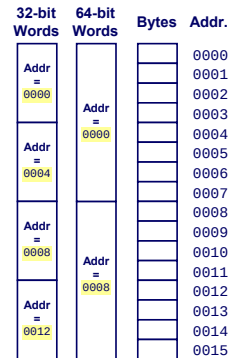
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Word-Oriented Memory Organization

Addresses Specify Byte Locations

- Address of first byte in word
- Addresses of successive words differ by word size
 - e.g., 4 (32-bit) or 8 (64-bit)



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Byte ordering in multi-byte "words"

Big Endian (e.g., SPARC, Power PC)

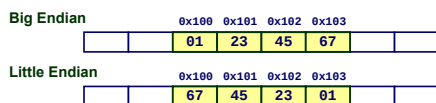
- Least significant byte has highest address

Little Endian (e.g., x86)

- Least significant byte has lowest address

Example

- Variable x has 4-byte representation 0x01234567
- Address given by $\&x$ is 0x100



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Examining Data Representations

Code to Print Byte Representation of Data

- Casting pointer to unsigned char * creates byte array

```
typedef unsigned char *pointer;

void show_bytes(pointer start, int len)
{
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < len; i++)
        printf("%x%p\t0x%.2x\n",
               start+i, start[i]);
    printf("\n");
}
```

Printf directives:
 %p: Print pointer
 %x: Print Hexadecimal

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show_bytes Execution Example

```
int a = 15213;
printf("int a = 15213;\n");
show_bytes((pointer) &a, sizeof(int));
```

Result (Linux):

```
int a = 15213;
0x11ffffcb8 0x6d
0x11ffffcb9 0x3b
0x11ffffcba 0x00
0x11ffffcbb 0x00
```

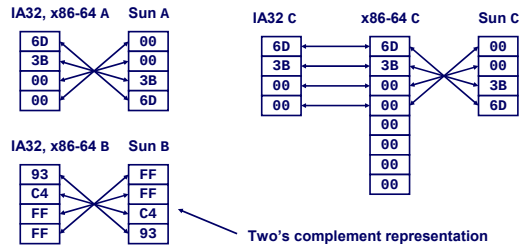
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Representing Integers

```
int A = 15213;
int B = -15213;
long int C = 15213;
```

Decimal: 15213
Binary: 0011 1011 0110 1101
Hex: 3 B 6 D



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Reading Byte-Reversed Listings

Disassembly

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

Example Fragment

Address	Instruction Code	Assembly Rendition
8048365:	5b	pop %ebx
8048366:	81 c3 ab 12 00 00	add \$0x12ab,%ebx
804836c:	83 bb 28 00 00 00	cmpl \$0x0,0x28(%ebx)

Deciphering Numbers

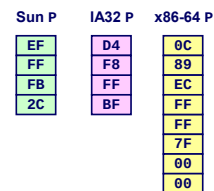
- Value: 0x12ab
- Pad to 4 bytes: 0x000012ab
- Split into bytes: 00 00 12 ab
- Reverse: ab 12 00 00

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Representing Pointers

```
int B = -15213;
int *P = &B;
```



Different compilers & machines assign different locations to objects

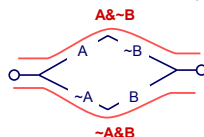
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Application of Boolean Algebra

Applied to Digital Systems by Claude Shannon

- 1937 MIT Master's Thesis
- Reason about networks of relay switches
 - Encode closed switch as 1, open switch as 0



Connection when

$A \sim B \mid \sim A \& B$

$= A \wedge B$

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Integer C Puzzles

- Assume 32-bit word size, two's complement integers
- For each of the following C expressions, either:
 - Argue that is true for all argument values
 - Give example where not true

Initialization

```
int x = foo();
int y = bar();
unsigned ux = x;
unsigned uy = y;
```

- $x < 0 \Rightarrow ((x*2) < 0)$
- $ux \geq 0$
- $x \& 7 == 7 \Rightarrow (x < 30) < 0$
- $ux > -1$
- $x > y \Rightarrow -x < -y$
- $x * x \geq 0$
- $x > 0 \&\& y > 0 \Rightarrow x + y > 0$
- $x \geq 0 \Rightarrow -x \leq 0$
- $x \leq 0 \Rightarrow -x \geq 0$
- $(x|-x) > 31 == -1$
- $ux \gg 3 == ux/8$
- $x \gg 3 == x/8$
- $x \& (x-1) != 0$

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	W			
	8	16	32	64
UMax	255	65,535	4,294,967,295	18,446,744,073,709,551,615
TMax	127	32,767	2,147,483,647	9,223,372,036,854,775,807
TMin	-128	-32,768	-2,147,483,648	-9,223,372,036,854,775,808

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Mathematical Properties

Modular Addition Forms an Abelian Group

- Closed under addition
 $0 \leq \text{UAdd}_w(u, v) \leq 2^w - 1$
- Commutative
 $\text{UAdd}_w(u, v) = \text{UAdd}_w(v, u)$
- Associative
 $\text{UAdd}_w(t, \text{UAdd}_w(u, v)) = \text{UAdd}_w(\text{UAdd}_w(t, u), v)$
- 0 is additive identity
 $\text{UAdd}_w(u, 0) = u$
- Every element has additive inverse
 - Let $\text{UComp}_w(u) = 2^w - u$
 $\text{UAdd}_w(u, \text{UComp}_w(u)) = 0$

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Mathematical Properties of TAdd

Isomorphic Algebra to UAdd

- $\text{TAdd}_w(u, v) = \text{U2T}(\text{UAdd}_w(\text{T2U}(u), \text{T2U}(v)))$
 - Since both have identical bit patterns

Two's Complement Under TAdd Forms a Group

- Closed, Commutative, Associative, 0 is additive identity
- Every element has additive inverse

$$\text{TComp}_w(u) = \begin{cases} -u & u \neq \text{TMin}_w \\ \text{TMin}_w & u = \text{TMin}_w \end{cases}$$

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Multiplication

Computing Exact Product of w-bit numbers x, y

- Either signed or unsigned

Ranges

- Unsigned: $0 \leq x * y \leq (2^w - 1)^2 = 2^{2w} - 2^{w+1} + 1$
 - Up to 2w bits
- Two's complement min: $x * y \geq (-2^{w-1}) * (2^{w-1} - 1) = -2^{2w-2} + 2^{w-1}$
 - Up to 2w-1 bits
- Two's complement max: $x * y \leq (2^{w-1} - 1)^2 = 2^{2w-2} - 2^{w-1} + 1$
 - Up to 2w bits, but only for $(\text{TMin}_w)^2$

Maintaining Exact Results

- Would need to keep expanding word size with each product computed
- Done in software by “arbitrary precision” arithmetic packages

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Compiled Multiplication Code

C Function

```
int mul12(int x)
{
    return x*12;
}
```

Compiled Arithmetic Operations

```
leal (%eax,%eax,2), %eax
sall $2, %eax
```

Explanation

```
t <- x+x*2
return t << 2;
```

- C compiler automatically generates shift/add code when multiplying by constant

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Compiled Unsigned Division Code

C Function

```
unsigned udiv8(unsigned x)
{
    return x/8;
}
```

Compiled Arithmetic Operations

```
shrl $3, %eax
```

Explanation

```
# Logical shift
return x >> 3;
```

- Uses logical shift for unsigned

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- Logical shift written as >>>

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Compiled Signed Division Code

C Function

```
int idiv8(int x)
{
    return x/8;
}
```

Compiled Arithmetic Operations

```
testl %eax, %eax
js L4
L3:
    sarl $3, %eax
    ret
L4:
    addl $7, %eax
    jmp L3
```

Explanation

```
if x < 0
    x += 7;
# Arithmetic shift
return x >> 3;
```

- Uses arithmetic shift for int

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- Arith. shift written as >>

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Properties of Unsigned Arithmetic

Unsigned Multiplication with Addition Forms Commutative Ring

- Addition is commutative group
- Closed under multiplication
 $0 \leq \text{UMult}_w(u, v) \leq 2^w - 1$
- Multiplication Commutative
 $\text{UMult}_w(u, v) = \text{UMult}_w(v, u)$
- Multiplication is Associative
 $\text{UMult}_w(t, \text{UMult}_w(u, v)) = \text{UMult}_w(\text{UMult}_w(t, u), v)$
- 1 is multiplicative identity
 $\text{UMult}_w(u, 1) = u$
- Multiplication distributes over addition
 $\text{UMult}_w(t, \text{UAdd}_w(u, v)) = \text{UAdd}_w(\text{UMult}_w(t, u), \text{UMult}_w(t, v))$

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Properties of Two's Comp. Arithmetic

Isomorphic Algebras

- Unsigned multiplication and addition
 - Truncating to w bits
- Two's complement multiplication and addition
 - Truncating to w bits

Both Form Rings

- Isomorphic to ring of integers mod 2^w

Comparison to Integer Arithmetic

- Both are rings
- Integers obey ordering properties, e.g.,
 - $u > 0 \Rightarrow u + v > v$
 - $u > 0, v > 0 \Rightarrow u \cdot v > 0$
- These properties are not obeyed by two's comp. arithmetic
 - $TMax + 1 == TMin$
 - $15213 * 30426 == -10030$ (16-bit words)

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Integer C Puzzles Revisited

```

• x < 0          ⇒ ((x*2) < 0)
• ux >= 0
• x & 7 == 7     ⇒ (x<<30) < 0
• ux > -1
• x > y          ⇒ -x < -y
• x * x >= 0
• x > 0 && y > 0 ⇒ x + y > 0
• x >= 0         ⇒ -x <= 0
• x <= 0         ⇒ -x >= 0
• (x|-x)>>31 == -1
• ux >> 3 == ux/8
• x >> 3 == x/8
• x & (x-1) != 0
    
```

Initialization

```

int x = foo();
int y = bar();
unsigned ux = x;
unsigned uy = y;
    
```

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