CSC 252: Computer Organization Fall 2021: Lecture 3

Arithmetic Overflow Fixed point numbers Converting between signed and unsigned Binary arithmetic with logic gates

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Announcement

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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With only 3 bits, $3 + 1$ becomes -4 because we don't have enough bits to hold the correct answer

(This is called overflow. More on it later.)

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\begin{array}{c|cc}\n & 011 & & 3 \\
+ & 001 & & \\
\hline\n & 100 & & -4\n\end{array}
$$

Can We Represent Fractions in Binary?

Yes, in several ways. Here is "Fixed point" notation:

What does 10.01 mean?

 $12.45 = 1*10¹ + 2*10⁰ + 4*10⁻¹ + 5*10⁻²$ $10.01_2 = 1*2^1 + 0*2^0 + 0*2^{-1} + 1*2^{-2} = 2.25_{10}$

Integer Arithmetic Still Works!

Fixed-Point Representation

Fixed interval between two representable numbers as long as the binary point stays fixed

Each bit represents 0.25_{10}

Fixed-point representation of numbers

Next lecture will cover floating point, which is more useful and actually corresponds to C types

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Why bother with unsigned variables? Sometimes you need that extra bit for larger positive values

Even when you don't, it makes things more clear and may prevent strange bugs!

C Language #include <limits.h> Declares constants, e.g., ULONG_MAX LONG_MAX LONG_MIN Values platform specific

One Bit Sequence, Two Interpretations

A sequence of bits can be interpreted as either a signed integer or an unsigned integer

Signed vs. Unsigned Conversion in C

What happens when we convert between signed and unsigned numbers?

Casting (In C terminology) Explicit casting between signed & unsigned

> **int tx, ty = -4; unsigned ux = 7, uy; tx = (int) ux; // U2T uy = (unsigned) ty; // T2U**

Implicit casting

e.g., assignments, function calls $tx = ux;$

 $uy = ty;$

Mapping Between Signed & Unsigned

Mappings between unsigned and two's complement numbers: Keep bit representations and reinterpret

This is "correct" for positive values at least

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Conversion Visualized

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Signed 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
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What about extending unsigned numbers?

 unsigned short x = 47981; unsigned int ux = x;

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Truncating (e.g., int to short)

C's implementation: leading bits are truncated, results reinterpreted

So can't always preserve the numerical value

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Unsigned Addition in C

• • • • • • *u* + *v* $u + v$ • • • True Sum: *w*+1 bits Operands: *w* bits Discard Carry: *w* bits UAdd*^w* (*u* , *v*)

Two's Complement Addition

Has identical bit-level behavior as unsigned addition (a big advantage over sign-magnitude) Overflow can also occur

Negative Overflow Positive Overflow

Signed Binary

0 000

1 001

2 010

3 011

-4 100

Two's Complement Addition in C

Is This an Overflow?

This is not an overflow by definition Because the actual result can be represented using the bit width of the datatype (3 bits here)

Basic Logic Gates

NOT

AND

NAND

Half Adder

Add two bits, produce one bit

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Full (1-bit) Adder

Add two bits and carry-in, produce one-bit sum and carry-out. \bf{A} \bf{B} \bf{C}_{in} \bf{S} \bf{C}_{out}

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Logic Design

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Was used in many historically important computers including the PDP-11, on which Unix was developed

The 74181 ALU

