



## COMP-2650 Computer Architecture I: Digital Design Fall 2024

Lab#	Date	Title	<b>Due Date</b>	Grade Release Date
Lab 07	Week 07	Signed 2's Complement	Oct. 29, Tuesday Midnight	Nov. 04

This lab's objectives will be to master the topics in number systems, especially arithmetic, by implementing the algorithms with a programming language, herein, C/C++.

# Step 1. Environment Setup

Our programming environment is the same as the first lab (Lab 01). We want to extend our program to calculate the addition or subtraction of two binary numbers in signed-2's-complement system.

As we discussed in the lectures, there are different ways to represent negative and positive numbers. In signed-radix-complement, we use positive numbers to show the negative numbers. So, there is no position for the sign. However, we can show that the bit in the most significant position in signed-2's-complement binary system acts as a sign bit (not the same, though!). This is because, given n bits, the maximum number divided by 2 is  $(2^n-1)\div 2=2^{n-1}$  which is equal to the largest number given n-1 bits, i.e., 0111...111. So, all binary numbers equal or below this number is positive, having 0 in the n-th bit. This number plus 1 becomes 1000...000. All numbers equal or above this are negative and have 1 which is non-zero in the n-th bit. In summary, positive numbers have 0, and negative numbers have 1 in the n-th bit. The only non-zero value in base-2 is 1. So, the n-th bit indicates the sign similar to the signed-magnitude. *This is the nice property of base-2, not other bases!* 

In C/C++, you can define a variable that can store negative and positive numbers as signed. Indeed, any numeric variable in C/C++ is in signed-2's-complement by default, and using the keyword signed is optional, as seen below! Please pay attention to the format specifier for signed variables in scanf and printf, which is "%d".

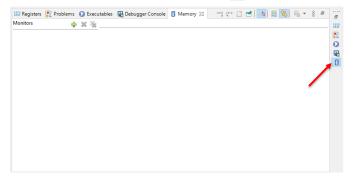
```
01 #include <stdio.h>
02 int main(void) {
03
04
      setbuf(stdout, NULL);
05
      signed int a; //you can drop 'signed' keyword
06
07
     printf("Enter an integer number:\n");
08
     scanf("%d", &a);
09
10
     printf("The number is: \n");
     //printf("Binary: %b \n", a); There is no option for binary!
11
     printf("Octal: %o \n", a);
12
     printf("Decimal: %d \n", a);
13
     printf("Hexadecimal: \%x \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ ); // Alphabet in small letters
14
15
     printf("HEXAdecimal: %X \n", a); //Alphabet in capital letters
16
      return 0;
17 }
```

You can check how the positive and negative numbers are stored in C/C++ using signed-2's-complement by looking at memory locations. This can be done in Eclipse in Debug mode by using Memory and Monitors. To Debug your code, you can click on and run each line step-by-step using . You might be asked to locate the source code. Then, select the main.cpp from the src folder.

For instance, I ran the program in Debug mode and put a breakpoint when the program wants to print the output:

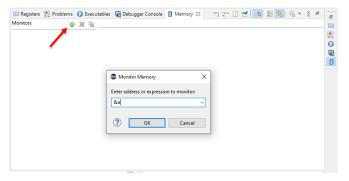


Basically, the program execution is stopped at the line with a breakpoint and the program is waiting for you to click on 👨 to execute the next statement. At this point, you are able to open the Memory to see the actual memory location for variables and the content. The Memory option is usually available in the right side of the Eclipse and looks like 👔 .

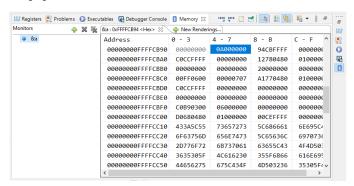


When the Memory panel opens, you have the option to enter an address of a memory location to see the content in the Monitors area.

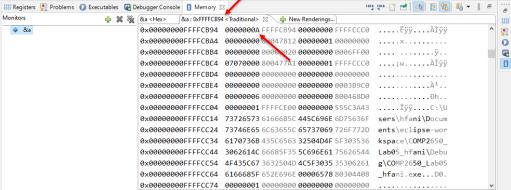




In our sample program, we ask the user to enter a signed number and we store the number is a variable called a in line# 08. So, in order to see what the actual value in the memory location for the variable a is, we need to find the address of the variable a. This can be done by & operator in C/C++ language.



You can define different renderings of the memory locations by clicking on the New Renderings. I did so and chose Traditional:



You can see that at the address &a (0xFFFCB94), the memory content is 00000000A in the hexadecimal system, equal to +10 in the decimal system. Unfortunately, Eclipse does not allow you to see the bits since it would be a very long stream of bits (32 bits). Nonetheless, we already knew that 0000000A is equal to 00...0001010 in the binary system.

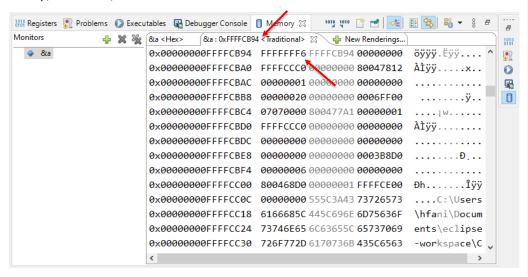
Let's run the program for -10:



```
42
43 #include <limits.h>
 44⊖ int main(void) {
           setbuf(stdout, NULL);
          signed int a;
int* a_ptr = &a;
           printf("Enter a signed integer number between %d and %d:\n", INT_MIN, INT_MAX);
           scanf("%d", &a);
           printf("The number is: \n");
          //printf("Binary: %b \n", a); There is no option for binary! printf("Octal: %o \n", a); printf("Decimal: %d \n", a);
          printf("Hexadecimal: %x \n", a);
printf("HEXAdecimal: %X\n", a);
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■ Console ⋈
COMP2650_Lab05_hfani.exe [C/C++ Application]
Enter a signed integer number between -2147483648 and 2147483647:
The number is:
Octal: 3777777766
```

In the second run, the variable a has the same memory location<sup>1</sup>. As you can see, -10 is represented as FFFFFF6 or 11...11110110. We expect that, as in C/C++ the signed numbers are in the signed-2's-complement system. So, -10 is represented as the 2's-complement of +10:

2's-comp(00...000001010) = 11...1110110



You may be tempted to explore what has been stored in other memory locations—probably, peeking at other programs running in the memory. Is it possible? In the Operating System course, you learn how an OS gives memory to a program to run and more.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  In this course, we can assume that this is a coincidence that different runs of the same program has same memory locations. However, in Operating System course, you will learn that this is not a coincidence.



```
this in the following program:
00 #include imits.h>
01 #include <stdio.h>
02 int main(void) {
03
04
      setbuf(stdout, NULL);
05
     int a;
06
     printf("Enter a signed integer number between %d and %d:\n", INT_MIN, INT_MAX);
07
08
     scanf("%d", &a);
10
     printf("The number is: \n");
     //printf("Binary: %b \n", a); There is no option for binary! printf("Octal: %o \n", a);
11
12
13
     printf("Decimal: %d \n", a);
     printf("Hexadecimal: \%x \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ ); // Alphabet in small letters
15
     printf("HEXAdecimal: %X \n", a); //Alphabet in capital letters
     return 0;
17 }
From the library limits.h>, we can find the minimum and maximum for a given type in C/C++. Here, we used INT_MAX for the maximum and INT_MIN for the minimum signed integer, which is equal to 2147483647 and -2147483648 in C/C++:
Enter a signed integer number between -2147483648 and 2147483647:
2147483647
The number is:
Octal: 3777777777
Decimal: 2147483647
Hexadecimal: 7fffffff
HEXAdecimal: 7FFFFFFF
Enter a signed integer number between -2147483648 and 2147483647:
The number is:
Octal: 20000000000
Decimal: -2147483648
Hexadecimal: 80000000
HEXAdecimal: 80000000
Now, let's create an overflow by entering the maximum number + 1:
Enter a signed integer number between -2147483648 and 2147483647:
The number is:
Octal: 20000000000
Decimal: -2147483648
Hexadecimal: 80000000
HEXAdecimal: 80000000
This number would be 32 bits with the highest bit equal to 1 and all other remaining bits equal to 0. Why? Simply increment the
maximum signed integer by one unit in base-2. However, this number is equal to -2147483648, which is the negative number
1000...0000 or 800...000 in C/C++. The addition of two positive numbers becomes a negative number in signed-2's-complement,
which is an overflow. You see that the program did not raise any error or exception about an overflow, though.
Let's create an overflow by entering the minimum number minus 1:
Enter an unsigned integer number between -2147483648 and 2147483647:
-2147483649
The number is:
Octal: 1777777777
Decimal: 2147483647
Hexadecimal: 7fffffff
HEXAdecimal: 7FFFFFF
The minimum signed number (e.q. minimum negative number) minus 1 is equal to (given 32 bits):
= 100...0000 - 1
```

Regarding overflow, C/C++ does not raise an error or exception when an overflow happens in signed numeric variables. We explain



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= 100...0000 + 2's-comp(00...0001)
= 100...0000 + 11...1111 (sum of two negative number)
= (carry=1)011...1111
= ignore carry \rightarrow 011...1111 (positive number)
```

As seen, the result is the maximum positive number. The sum of two negative numbers (note: after the 2's complement and change the subtraction to addition) becomes a positive number. This is an instance of overflow, but the program did not raise any error or exception.

Since our program stores the input bits in an array of integers in this lab, we cannot use C/C++'s signed-2's-complement directly. We have to either *i)* implement the signed-2's-complement algorithm for addition and subtraction, or *ii)* convert the input bits stored in the integer arrays to an integer variable and then use the built-in addition or subtraction in C/C++. Also, we want to let the user know whether an overflow happens.

# Step2. Writing Modular Programs

In Lab05, we added header arithmetic.h and a source file arithmetic. Let's add new functions to the header file and the source file to implement all functions related to arithmetic in signed-2's-complement number systems.

#### arithmetic.l

```
void func_signed_2s_addition(int a[], int b[], int result[]);
void func_signed_2s_subtraction(int a[], int b[], int result[]);
arithmetic.cpp
#define MAX 8//Byte = 8 bits
void func_signed_2s_addition(int a[], int b[], int result[]){...}
void func_signed_2s_subtraction(int a[], int b[], int result[]){...}
```

As seen, header files contain only the signatures of the functions and not the bodies. Please look at the ';' at the end of each function. For subtracting b from a, we use the addition function to add a with 2's-complement of b. We already have 2's-complement function in complement.h and complement.c.

Now we are ready to add the headers to our main program and use the functions in each separate file:

```
00 #include <stdio.h>
01 #include "arithmetic.h"
02
03 #include "complement.h"
04 #define MAX 8//Byte = 8 bits
05 int main(void) {
     setbuf(stdout, NULL);
06
07
08
     int x[MAX];
09
     int y[MAX];
10
11
     printf("Enter the first binary number:\n");
     for(int i=0; i < MAX; i = i + 1){
12
       scanf("%d", &x[i]);
13
14
     printf("Enter the second binary number:\n");
15
     for(int i=0; i < MAX; i = i + 1){
16
17
        scanf("%d", &y[i]);
18
19
     int z[MAX];
21
22
     func_signed_2s_addition(x, y, z);
     printf("The first number AND second binary yield:\n");
24
25
     for(int i=0; i < MAX; i = i + 1){
26
        printf("%d", z[i]);
27
28
29
    return 0;
30}
```



### Advanced!

We know the following facts:

- i) 2's-complement of a binary is 1's-complement plus 1.
- ii) 1's-complement of a binary number is equal to NOT of each bit.
- iii) XOR of each binary variable b with 1 make it NOT b: b⊕1=b'
- iv) XOR of each binary variable b with 0 makes no change: b⊕0=b
- v) In C/C++, the XOR operator is '^'. So, b^1=b' and b^0=b

So, the 2's-complement of b is  $(b^{-1}) + 1$ . A nice trick would be to have one single function for both addition and subtraction:

$$(b^{n})+m = \begin{cases} 2's - comp(b) & \text{if } m = 1\\ b & \text{if } m = 0 \end{cases}$$

void func signed 2s arithmetic(int a[], int b[], int m, int result[]){...}

Then,

 $\label{lem:condition} func\_signed\_2s\_arithmetic(a, b, 0, result) \# addition \\ func\_signed\_2s\_arithmetic(a, b, 1, result) \# subtraction$ 

# Lab Assignment

You should complete the above program that firstly outputs a menu of commands as follows:

Enter the command number:

- 0) Exit
- 1) Addition in signed-2's-complement
- 2) Subtraction in signed-2's-complement

The program should then ask for the two inputs based on the user's chosen number of commands. After that, the program asks to what base the user wants to see the results. Then, it applies the command and prints out the result in the requested base. For instance, if a user selects (1), the program should accept two inputs in signed-2's-complement as follows:

Enter the first binary number:

x0 = x1 = 0

... x7 =

Enter the second binary number:

y0 =

y1 =

y7 =

When the user enters the two binary numbers, the program asks for a base number to print out the result:

Enter the output base:

- Binary
- 2) Octal
- 3) Decimal
- 4) Hexadecimal

Then the program adds x and y in signed-2's-complement, prints the result on the selected base, and returns to the main menu. Other commands should follow the same flow. If the user selects (0), the program ends. Please restrict the user to enter inputs within the range {0,1}. For instance, if the user enters 2, -1, ..., print out an error message and come back to ask for correct inputs. Also, print an error/warning message whether an overflow happened during the arithmetic. Do not try to fix the overflow. It is required to write a modular program.

It is required to write a *modular* program. For arithmetic in signed-2's-complement, you can re-use the 2's-complement function in complement.h or any other functions you already developed.

# Deliverables

Prepare and submit the program in one single zip file lab07\_uwinid.zip containing the following items:

- 1. The code file (main.c or main.cpp) and executable file (main.exe in Windows or main in Unix/macOS)
- 2. The result of the four commands in the file results.pdf/png/jpg. Simply make a screenshot of the results.
- 3. [Optional and if necessary] A readme document in a txt file readme.txt. It explains how to build and run the program as well as any

**Commented [A1]:** It should be in r's complement. So, 11111111 is 77777777 or FFFFFFFF and is not 377 or FF



prerequisites that are needed. Please note that if your program cannot be built and run on our computer systems, you will lose marks.

# lab07\_hfani.zip

- (05%) complement.c, complement.h
- (10%) comprehence, comprehench (10%) conversion.c, conversion.h (45%) arithmetic.c, arithmetic.h → (15%) Addition, (15%) Subtraction, (15%) Overflow (10%) main.c → Must be compiled and built with no error! (05%) main.exe or main

- (10%) results.pdf/jpg/png → Must match with the program output! (Optional) readme.txt

(10%) Modular Programming (using separate header and source files) (05%) Files Naming and Formats

Please follow the naming convention as you lose marks otherwise. Instead of uwinid, use your own UWindsor account name, e.g., mine is hfani@uwindsor.ca, so, lab07\_hfani.zip