
The CS:APP Data Lab

Directions to Students

Your goal is to modify your copy of `bits.c` so that it passes all the tests in `btest` without violating any of the coding guidelines.

0. Files:

Makefile - Makes `btest`, `fshow`, and `ishow`

README - This file

`bits.c` - The file you will be modifying and handing in

`bits.h` - Header file

`btest.c` - The main `btest` program

`btest.h` - Used to build `btest`

`decl.c` - Used to build `btest`

`tests.c` - Used to build `btest`

`tests-header.c` - Used to build `btest`

`dlc*` - Rule checking compiler binary (data lab compiler)

[driver.pl*](#) - Driver program that uses `btest` and `dlc` to autograde `bits.c`

[Driverhdrs.pm](#) - Header file for optional "Beat the Prof" contest

`fshow.c` - Utility for examining floating-point representations

`ishow.c` - Utility for examining integer representations

1. Modifying `bits.c` and checking it for compliance with `dlc`

IMPORTANT: Carefully read the instructions in the `bits.c` file before you start. These give the coding rules that you will need to follow if you want full credit.

Use the `dlc` compiler (`./dlc`) to automatically check your version of `bits.c` for compliance with the coding guidelines:

```
unix> ./dlc bits.c
```

dlc returns silently if there are no problems with your code. Otherwise it prints messages that flag any problems. Running dlc with the -e switch:

```
unix> ./dlc -e bits.c
```

causes dlc to print counts of the number of operators used by each function.

Once you have a legal solution, you can test it for correctness using the ./btest program.

2. Testing with btest

The Makefile in this directory compiles your version of bits.c with additional code to create a program (or test harness) named btest.

To compile and run the btest program, type:

```
unix> make btest
unix> ./btest [optional cmd line args]
```

You will need to recompile btest each time you change your bits.c program. When moving from one platform to another, you will want to get rid of the old version of btest and generate a new one. Use the commands:

```
unix> make clean
unix> make btest
```

Btest tests your code for correctness by running millions of test cases on each function. It tests wide swaths around well known corner cases such as Tmin and zero for integer puzzles, and zero, inf, and the boundary between denormalized and normalized numbers for floating point puzzles. When btest detects an error in one of your functions, it prints out the test that failed, the incorrect result, and the expected result, and then terminates the testing for that function.

Here are the command line options for btest:

```
unix> ./btest -h
Usage: ./btest [-hg] [-r <n>] [-f <name> [-1|-2|-3 <val>]*] [-T <time limit>]
```

-1 <val> Specify first function argument
-2 <val> Specify second function argument
-3 <val> Specify third function argument
-f <name> Test only the named function
-g Format output for autograding with no error messages
-h Print this message
-r <n> Give uniform weight of n for all problems
-T <lim> Set timeout limit to lim

Examples:

Test all functions for correctness and print out error messages:

```
unix> ./btest
```

Test all functions in a compact form with no error messages:

```
unix> ./btest -g
```

Test function foo for correctness:

```
unix> ./btest -f foo
```

Test function foo for correctness with specific arguments:

```
unix> ./btest -f foo -1 27 -2 0xf
```

Btest does not check your code for compliance with the coding guidelines. Use dlc to do that.

3. Helper Programs

We have included the ishow and fshow programs to help you decipher integer and floating point representations respectively. Each takes a single decimal or hex number as an argument. To build them type:

```
unix> make
```

Example usages:

```
unix> ./ishow 0x27
Hex = 0x00000027,      Signed = 39,      Unsigned = 39

unix> ./ishow 27
Hex = 0x0000001b,      Signed = 27,      Unsigned = 27

unix> ./fshow 0x15213243
Floating point value 3.255334057e-26
Bit Representation 0x15213243, sign = 0, exponent = 0x2a, fraction = 0x213243
```

Normalized. $+1.2593463659 \times 2^{-85}$

```
linux> ./fshow 15213243
```

Floating point value $2.131829405e-38$

Bit Representation 0x00e822bb, sign = 0, exponent = 0x01, fraction = 0x6822bb

Normalized. $+1.8135598898 \times 2^{-126}$