

## **L5 practice problems**

### **Answers:**

1.    a)     $\underline{0} \ 001 \ 0110 = 38_{10}$   
      b)     $\underline{0} \ 111 \ 1111 = 127_{10}$   
      c)     $\underline{1} \ 000 \ 0001 = -127_{10}$   
      b)     $\underline{1} \ 111 \ 1111 = -1_{10}$

2.    a)    2 numbers of opposite signs being added, there is no overflow.
- b)    A subtraction that involves 2 numbers of opposite signs has a potential for overflow:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{0} \ 1011000 - \underline{1} \ 0000010 \\ & = \underline{0} \ 1011000 + \underline{0} \ 1111110 \\ & = \underline{1} \ 1010110 \end{aligned}$$

Overflow because the correct result should be positive.

- c)    An addition that involves 2 numbers of the same sign has a potential for overflow:

$$\underline{0} \ 1111111 + \underline{0} \ 0000010 = \underline{1} \ 000 \ 0001$$

Sign bit of result = 1 indicates overflow because adding two positive numbers cannot produce a negative result.

An overflow has occurred.

- d)    A subtraction that involves 2 numbers of the same sign has no overflow.

3. (a)  $E2 + 42 = 24$  (hex) – ignore carry out bit  
Adding two numbers of opposite sign => no overflow
- (b)  $58 - 82 = 58 + 7E = D6$  (hex)  
58 and 7E are both positive but D6 is negative => overflow
- (c)  $7F + 02 = 81$  (hex)  
7F and 02 are both positive but 81 is negative => overflow
- (d)  $E1 - FD = E1 + 03 = E4$  (hex)  
Subtracting two numbers of same sign => no overflow