

CS1021 Tutorial #8 Solution

Bit-Wise Operations

1 Basic Bit Manipulation

(i) Use AND or BIC.

```
1  LDR R9, =0xFFFFF00      ; Mask with 0s in the bits we want to clear
2  AND R0, R0, R9
```

or

```
1  BIC R0, R0, #0x00000FF ; Mask with 1s in the bits we want to clear
```

(ii) Use AND. (Mask cannot be represented as an immediate operand so there is no advantage in using BIC.)

```
1  LDR R9, =0xFFFFEF6F      ; Mask with 0s in bits 4, 7 and 12
2  AND R4, R4, R9
```

(iii) Use EOR.

```
1  LDR R9, =0x80000000      ; Mask with a 1 in the MSB and 0s elsewhere
2  EOR R2, R2, R9
```

Alternatively, we can specify the mask as an immediate value.

```
1  EOR R2, R2, #0x80000000
```

(iv) Use EOR.

```
1  LDR R9, =0x00FFFF00      ; Load mask into R9
2  EOR R3, R3, R9            ; Apply mask using EOR to invert
```

(v) Use OR.

```
1  ORR R5, R5, #0x000001C    ; Could have used LDR ... ORR but for masks
2                               ; that the assembler can store as an
3                               ; immediate operand, this is a little more
4                               ; efficient
```

(vi) Extract bytes, swap them and merge them into new location.

```
1  AND R4, R3, #0x000000FF ; Isolate LS-byte
2  AND R5, R3, #0xFF000000 ; Isolate MS-byte
3  LDR R9, =0x00FFFF00      ; Clear old LS- and MS-bytes
4  AND R3, R3, R9           ;
5  MOV R4, R4, LSL #24      ; Move old LS-byte to new MS position
6  MOV R5, R5, LSR #24      ; Move old MS-byte to new LS position
7  ORR R3, R3, R4           ; Combine new MS byte with middle two bytes
8  ORR R3, R3, R5           ; Combine new LS byte to finish
```

or

```
1  MOV R4, R3, LSL #24      ; Isolate LS-byte and shift to new position
2  MOV R5, R3, LSR #24      ; Isolate MS-byte and shift to new position
3  LDR R9, =0x00FFFF00      ; Clear old LS- and MS-bytes
4  AND R3, R3, R9           ;
5  ORR R4, R4, R5           ; Combine new LS- and MS-bytes
6  ORR R4, R4, R4           ; Combine with old value
7                           ; (i.e. middle two bytes)
```

(vii) Clear the 2nd least significant byte and then merge in the new value.

```
1  BIC R4, R4, #0x0000FF00 ; Clear 2nd byte
2  LDR R5, =0x44           ; Load new value
3  ORR R4, R4, R5, LSL #8  ; Combine (using OR), while first shifting new
4                           ; value into correct position (2nd byte)
```

2 Shift-and-Add Multiplication by a Constant

(i) 10

```
1  MOV R0, R1, LSL #3      ; a*8
2  ADD R0, R0, R1, LSL #1  ; + a*2 = a*10
```

(ii) 15

```
1  MOV R0, R1, LSL #3      ; a*8
2  ADD R0, R0, R1, LSL #2  ; + a*4 = a*12
3  ADD R0, R0, R1, LSL #1  ; + a*2 = a*14
4  ADD R0, R0, R1          ; + a = a*15
```

or

```
1  RSB R0, R1, R1, LSL #4  ; a*16 - a = a*15
```

(iii) 17

```
1  MOV R0, R1, LSL #4      ; a*16
2  ADD R0, R0, R1          ; + a = a*17
```

or

```
1  ADD R0, R1, R1, LSL #4 ; a + a*16 = a*17
```

(iv) 25 (this could be shortened by one instruction!)

```
1  MOV R0, R1, LSL #4 ; a*16
2  ADD R0, R0, R1, LSL #3 ; + a*8 = a*24
3  ADD R0, R0, R1 ; +a = a*25
```

(v) 100

```
1  MOV R0, R1, LSL #6 ; a*64
2  ADD R0, R0, R1, LSL #5 ; + a*32 = a*96
3  ADD R0, R0, R1, LSL #2 ; + a*4 = a*100
```

3 64-bit Shift

When shifting by n bits, n bits will need to be moved from one end of R0/R1 to the other end of R1/R0. The direction of the transfer will depend on the direction of the shift.

```
1  CMP R2, #0
2  BEQ shiftEnd
3  BLT shiftLeftN
4
5  ; shift right
6  RSB R4, R2, #32 ; oppShift = 32-n
7  MOV R3, R1, LSL R4 ; tmp = upr << oppShift
8  MOV R0, R0, LSR R2 ; lwr = lwr >> n
9  ORR R0, R0, R3 ; lwr = lwr | tmp
10 MOV R1, R1, LSR R2 ; upr = upr >> n
11 B shiftEnd
12 shiftLeftN
13 ; shift left
14 RSB R2, R2, #0 ; n = -n
15 RSB R4, R2, #32 ; oppShift = 32-n
16 MOV R3, R0, LSR R4 ; tmp = lwr >> oppShift
17 MOV R1, R1, LSL R2 ; upr = upr << n
18 ORR R1, R1, R3 ; upr = upr | tmp
19 MOV R0, R0, LSL R2 ; lwr = lwr << n
20 shiftEnd
```