

Divide Two Integers

This problem is tricky because multiplication and modulus operators are disallowed. We must handle signs, overflow and efficiently carefully.

- [Key Points:]
1. Constraints: 32-bit signed integer range $[-2^{31}, 2^{31}-1]$
 2. Truncate toward zero (same as integer division in C++)
 3. Special Case: $\text{INT_MIN} / -1$ overflows \rightarrow return INT_MAX

[Optimal Approach: Bit Manipulation / Repeated Doubling]:

- [Idea:] Use subtraction, but optimized with bit shifts (doubling strategy) for $O(\log n)$ complexity:
- Repeatedly subtract the largest multiple of divisor (power of 2 factor) from dividend.
 - Accumulate the result.

- [Steps:]
1. Handle overflow ($\text{INT_MIN} / -1$).
 2. Determine sign of the result.
 3. Work with absolute values (long long to avoid overflow during abs).
 4. While dividend \geq divisor:
 - Find largest power of two multiple of divisor that fits into dividend.
 - Subtract it and add the multiple to result.
 5. Apply sign and clamp to 32-bit range.

[Complexity:]

- Time: $O(\log(|\text{dividend}|))$ - doubling reduces dividend quickly.
- Space: $O(1)$.