

Task 1B: Bit Operations using Operators and Control Structures

Objective:

To understand bitwise operations in C by implementing functions to:

- Count number of set bits
- Get a specific bit
- Set a specific bit
- Toggle a specific bit

Using different control structures.

1. C Program Used

Below is the C program written for this task.

A screenshot of the code editor showing the complete program.

Screenshot :

GNU nano 6.2

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
/* Count set bits using while loop */
```

```
int countBits_while(int n) {
```

```
    int count = 0;
```

```
    while (n) {
```

```
        count += n & 1;
```

```
        n >>= 1;
```

```
    }
```

```
    return count;
```

```
}
```

```
/* Count set bits using for loop */
```

```
int countBits_for(int n) {
```

```
    int count = 0;
```

```
    for (; n; n >>= 1) {
```

```
        count += n & 1;
```

```
    }
```

```
    return count;
```

```
}
```

```
/* Get specific bit (0 or 1) */
```

```
int getBit(int n, int pos) {
```

```
    return (n >> pos) & 1;
```

```
}
```

```
/* Set a specific bit */
```

```
int setBit(int n, int pos) {
```

```
    return n | (1 << pos);
```

```
}
```

```
/* Toggle a specific bit */
```

```
int toggleBit(int n, int pos) {
```

```
    return n ^ (1 << pos);
```

```

}

int main() {
    int num = 10;    // Binary: 1010
    int pos = 1;

    printf("Number: %d\n", num);
    printf("Count bits (while): %d\n", countBits_while(num));
    printf("Count bits (for): %d\n", countBits_for(num));
    printf("Bit at position %d: %d\n", pos, getBit(num, pos));
    printf("After setting bit %d: %d\n", pos, setBit(num, pos));
    printf("After toggling bit %d: %d\n", pos, toggleBit(num, pos));

    return 0;
}

```

2. Compilation

Compile the program using gcc.

Command:

gcc bit_operations.c -o bit_operations

Screenshot :

```

student@student-virtual-machine:~/25SUB4508_LSP/25SUB4508_56133/ClassWork/day10$ gcc bit_operations.c -o bit_operations
student@student-virtual-machine:~/25SUB4508_LSP/25SUB4508_56133/ClassWork/day10$

```

3. Program Execution

Run the compiled program.

Command:

./bit_operations

Screenshot :

```

student@student-virtual-machine:~/25SUB4508_LSP/25SUB4508_56133/ClassWork/day10$ ./bit_operations
Number: 10
Count bits (while): 2
Count bits (for): 2
Bit at position 1: 1
After setting bit 1: 10
After toggling bit 1: 8
student@student-virtual-machine:~/25SUB4508_LSP/25SUB4508_56133/ClassWork/day10$

```

4. Explanation of Functions

Functions implemented:

1. `countBits_while()` – Uses while loop
2. `countBits_for()` – Uses for loop
3. `getBit()` – Gets value of specific bit
4. `setBit()` – Sets a bit to 1
5. `toggleBit()` – Toggles bit value

5. Conclusion

This task demonstrates how bitwise operators work internally and how different control structures can be used to solve the same problem.