Lab 9: A Binary Calculator with Doubly Linked Lists

CSE/IT 113

Success breeds complacency. Complacency breeds failure. Only the paranoid survive.

Andy Groves, one of the founders of Intel.

1 Introduction

This lab is a continuation of last week's lab on linked lists, but this time you will implement a binary calculator using doubly linked lists.

You will ask the user for the word size, a value from 1 to 64, whether the word is an unsigned or signed value, and enter a binary expression. Once you parse the expression, you will evaluate the expression, display the result of the calculation and set various flags as a result of the calculation just like your processor does.

2 Overview

Expressions are of the form a op b where a and b are binary bit strings less than or equal to the word size and op is one of the following operators: ADD (+), SUBTRACT (-), AND (&), OR (|), or XOR $(\hat{})$.

You are simulating binary expressions on a two's complement machine. You will use three registers (r1, r2, and r3) and a user-defined word-size to evaluate the expressions. You will model registers with a doubly linked list. For all registers the most significant bit (MSB) is at the head of the list and the least significant bit (LSB) is at the tail of the list. The MSB on a two's complement machine is the sign bit.

2.1 The Register

Registers consist of n-bits, where n is the word-size. You are going to model a bit with a node, a self-referential structure:

```
struct bit_t {
    unsigned char n; /* store either 0 or 1 not '0' or '1' */

struct bit_t *prev;
struct bit_t *next;
6 };
```

n-bit_t structures are strung together via a doubly linked list to create a register of word-size n.

Since we just going to model binary expressions, we will use three registers r1, r2 and r3. r1 will hold a; r2 will hold b; and r3 will hold the result of a op b.

2.2 The CPU

We are going to model a CPU using a structure that contains pointers to the head and tail of each of the registers, and integers for the flags and word_size. Flags are set as a result of an operation.

```
1 struct cpu_t {
           int word_size;
           int unsign; //0 -- signed, 1 for unsigned
3
           //flags
           int overflow;
           int carry;
           int sign;
           int parity;
           int zero;
9
           struct bit_t *r1_head;
10
           struct bit_t *r1_tail;
11
           struct bit_t *r2_head;
12
           struct bit_t *r2_tail;
13
14
           struct bit_t *r3_head;
           struct bit_t *r3_tail;
15
<sub>16</sub> };
```

The cpu_t structure creates a sentinel node for the three registers. The meaning of each member of the structure is defined below.

2.2.1 word_size

Registers consists of *n*-bits and for our purposes here we are calling *n* the word size. Your code must allow varying word sizes of $1 \le n \le 64$.

FYI: Intel considers a word to be 16 bits. A 32-bit processor than has registers that are double words and a 64-bit processor has registers that are quad words.

Note: in all examples below the word-size is 4-bits.

2.2.2 unsign

This is for the *interpretation* of the decimal representation of the bit values. A CPU doesn't care if binary numbers are signed or unsigned. The CPU carries out the same operation for both. However, if unsigned == 1 then for the decimal representation of the number the most significant bit (MSB; the head of the list) is considered positive and if unsigned == 0, i.e. signed and which is the default case, the MSB is considered a negative value on a two's complement machine.

For example, unsigned $1111_2 = 15_{10}$, while for signed $1111_2 = -1_{10}$.

It is important to understand that whether or not unsign is set or not has no bearing on how the CPU evaluates expressions or does it have any impact on how flags are set. It only affects the interpretation of the number.

2.2.3 Overflow Flag (OF)

The CPU doesn't care if overflow occurred or not but you as a programmer can check to see if the overflow flag (OF) is set to determine if an error occurred in the arithmetic. Overflow applies to errors with signed numbers.

You set the overflow flag with the following rules:

1. If the sum of two numbers with both sign bits set to 0 yields a number with the sign bit set to 1, the overflow flag is set to 1.

Two positive integers should yield a positive integer not a negative integer. For example, 0100 + 0100 = 1000 sets the overflow flag. Even if the data is considered unsigned the overflow flag would still be set. You just ignore it.

2. If the sum of two numbers with both sign bits set to 1 yields a number with the sign bit set to 0, the overflow flag is set to 1.

Adding two negative integers should yield a negative number, but the answer is positive or zero and an error occurred. For example, 1000 + 1000 = 0000 and the overflow flag is set to 1. Again, the overflow flag is set even if the integers are considered unsigned. You just ignore it for unsigned values.

3. In all other cases the overflow flag is set to 0.

2.2.4 Carry Flag (CF)

The carry flag (CF) is used to indicate if during addition of two numbers a carry out occurred in the MSB. For example, 1111 + 0001 = 0000 and the carry flag is set to 1 (true). 0111 + 0001 = 1000 and the carry flag is set to 0 (false).

If you are using unsigned values – remember it is up to you to provide that interpretation not the machines – then you check the carry flag to see if an error occurred in the arithmetic or not.

2.2.5 Sign Flag (SF)

The sign flag (SF) is set if the result of the operation sets the MSB to 1. Whether the integer is signed or unsigned has no bearing on setting this flag.

2.2.6 Parity Flag (PF)

The parity flag (PF) is set to 1 if the number of 1's in the result register (r3) is even otherwise it is set to 0. For example, 1100 + 0000 = 1100 sets the PF = 1; while 1010 + 0100 = 1110 sets the PF = 0.

2.2.7 Zero Flag (ZF)

The zero flag (ZF) is set if all bits in the result register (r3) are set to 0. 1000 + 1000 = 0000 and ZF = 1; while 1111 + 1111 = 1110, and ZF = 0.

2.2.8 Head and Tail Pointers

The head and tail pointers point to the head and tail of each register. The tail points to the least significant bit (the bit in the 1's column), and the head points to the Most Significant Bit (MSB).

2.3 Operators

These are the operators you need to implement. The setting of flags follows how Intel does it.

2.3.1 Addition

You implement addition bit by bit and from right to left as you need the carry from the lower order bits. You are modeling the behavior of a full adder so you need bit inputs (A and B) and a carry (C_{in}) and the result of the addition results in a sum (S) and a carry out (C_{out}) . The truth table for addition is:

A	В	C_{in}	S	C_{out}
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1 1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

Addition sets the OF, CF, SF, PF, and ZF.

2.3.2 Subtraction

Carry out subtraction like a machine. On a two's complement machine you find the complement of the number (bit flip and add 1) to convert the subtraction to an addition. For example 1111 - 1111 = 1111 + 0001 = 0000.

Subtraction sets the OF, CF, SF, PF, and ZF.

Sample Output for Subtraction. Note the switch to displaying a + sign and finding and displaying the complement of the number.

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```
enter word size: 4
unsigned values [y/N]:
enter binary expression: 1111 - 1111
1111
+
0001
----
0000
flags
0F: 0
CF: 1
SF: 0
PF: 0
ZF: 1
decimal: 0
do you want to continue [Y/n]?: n
Goodbye
```

2.3.3 And

AND (&) is performed bitwise, but whether you perform AND left to right (LTR) or right to left (RTL) is immaterial. The truth table for AND (&) is, where A and B are bits:

A	В	A & B
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

The OF and CF flags are cleared; the SF, ZF, and PF flags are set according to the result.

2.3.4 Or

OR (|) is performed bitwise and, like the and operator, the order in which you perform the bitwise OR is immaterial. The truth table for OR is, where A and B are bits:

A	В	A B
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

The OF and CF flags are cleared; the SF, ZF, and PF flags are set according to the result.

2.3.5 Xor

XOR (^) is performed bitwise and, like the and operator, the order in which you perform the bitwise XOR is immaterial. The truth table for XOR is, where A and B are bits:

A	В	A ^ B
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

The OF and CF flags are cleared; the SF, ZF, and PF flags are set according to the result.

2.4 The logic of the program

The outline of the program's logic is:

- 1. Grab the word size, whether the integer is signed (default) or unsigned, and the binary expression.
- 2. Error check the input (see below).
- 3. As users do not need to enter the leading zeros, you need to zero pad the input so the length of the string matches the length of the register. That is, you need to add the leading zeros to the strings that the user didn't. For example, if the user entered 111 and the word_size is 8, the string should be 00000111.
- 4. Create all registers of length word_size (doubly linked lists) and copy the strings into registers r1 and r2.
- 5. Carry out the expression, store in register r3, and set the appropriate flags.
- 6. Pretty print the result (see below).
- 7. Either repeat or exit the program. In either case, free all memory you allocated for the registers and if you repeat make sure to set the CPU structure to appropriate default values.

3 Lab Specifications

Make sure you follow these requirements:

- 1. Use the structures bit_t and cpu_t as is.
- 2. Use strtok to parse the expression.
- 3. Where appropriate use default items for input. The user should be able just to hit "enter" to accept the default case, which is indicated by the capital letter. In fact, any other input except for the non-default case, results in the default case.
- 4. Error processing is to be coded as demonstrated in class: switch statements and #defines.
- 5. Use strncat and strncpy to zero pad the string.
- 6. Registers use and store the numbers 0 and 1, not the characters '0' and '1'.
- 7. You perform subtraction via addition. That is you find the complement before carrying out the addition.
- 8. Make sure you print out the decimal equivalent of the binary number. This is where you will use the value of unsign to correctly print out decimal equivalent of the binary number.
- 9. If a user wants to continue, use a goto to repeat the loop.
- 10. Check that you free all memory correctly with valgrind.
- 11. Separate the code into logical units across multiple source code files. You should have at least three files: one for the logic of the program; and a header and a *.c file to implement the logic. You can have more than this, but at least three files.
- 12. Use a makefile for your compilation.

3.1 Error Checking

You need to check for errors in the input otherwise bad things will happen. You need to error check the following:

- the word size is between $1 \leq word_size \leq 64$
- that the bit strings contain only the characters '0' and '1'
- that the bit strings are less than or equal to the word size
- that the operator is a valid operator: +, -, &, |, ^

If an occurs, tell the user what the error is and ask for new input.

Sample Error Output:

\$./lab10

```
enter word size: -1
error in word size, must be between 1 and 64
enter word size: 0
error in word size, must be between 1 and 64
enter word size: 68
error in word size, must be between 1 and 64
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```
enter word size: 4
unsigned values [y/N]:
enter binary expression: 1234 + 111
error in input -- something other than a 1 or 0 entered
error in first operand. retry
enter word size: 4
unsigned values [y/N]:
enter binary expression: 111111 + 1111
error in input -- length is greater than the word size
error in first operand. retry
enter word size: 4
unsigned values [y/N]:
enter binary expression: 1111 > 1111
error in operator. retry
enter word size: 4
unsigned values [y/N]:
enter binary expression: 11 + 11111111
error in input -- length is greater than the word size
error in second operand. retry
enter word size:
```

3.2 Pretty Print

Follow the sample below for your input and output. Note how the number of dashes changes with word size and we are printing out zero padded strings.

\$./lab10

```
enter word size: 1
unsigned [y/N]: y
enter binary expression: 1 + 1
1
flags
carry: 1
sign: 0
parity: 0
zero: 1
unsigned decimal: 0
do you want to continue [Y/n]?:
enter word size: 64
unsigned [y/N]:
flags
carry: 0
sign: 0
```

parity: 0
zero: 0

decimal: 67108894

do you want to continue [Y/n]?: n

Goodbye

3.3 Script

Your script should capture all the error processing, all the operations, and the result of running all the operations in valgrind. Vary the word size from 1 to 64. Make sure to include word size of 1 and 64 in your tests.

3.4 README

Write a standard README as in other labs, but make sure to add a section that compares and contrasts singly and doubly linked lists.

4 Submission Guidelines

Tar the source code, script, Makefile, and README into a tarball named csell3_firstname_lastname_lab9.tar.gz and upload to Canvas before the due date.