

# ICS Lab Report #1

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## Problem Setting

Here we are using LC3 assembly language to detect whether a 16-bit integer at address x3100 contains 3 consequent 1's in its binary form. If it contains, we set register R2 to 1, or set to 0 if does not.

## Algorithm Specification

Here is a pseudocode representation of my program.

```
1 R1 <- input
2 R4 <- 0
3 for i = 0 to 15
4   if R1 & (2^i) == 0
5     R4 <- 0
6   else
7     R4 <- R4 + 1
8     if R4 == 3
9       R2 <- 1
10      halt
11 R2 <- 0
12 halt
```

This main idea of the program:

Test the bits of the input one by one. If consequent 1's count(represented by R4) is 3, then set R2 to 1 and halt. If never find such sequence, set R2 to 0 and halt.

## LC3 Implementation

```
1 LOOP
2 AND R5, R1, R2 ;R2 has been set to 1. Use AND to test the bit.
3 ADD R2, R2, R2 ;Let R2 multiplied by 2.
4 ADD R5, R5, #0 ;Recollect the AND result
5 BRZ NOT1
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6 ADD R4, R4, #1; Or let R4 added by 1
7 ADD R7, R4, #-3
8 BRZ RET1 ;If R4 reached 3, set R2 and halt.
9 BRNZP LOOPCDT; or skip to next loop
10 NOT1
11 AND R4, R4, #0 ;If resulting 0, then set counter(R4) to 0
12 LOOPCDT ;next loop
13 ADD R3, R3, #1
14 ADD R7, R3, #-16
15 BRN LOOP ;If all bits tested, exit.
```

This segment presents the **for** part of the pseudocode.

## Check Problem

Q: If test 3 bits per iteration in LOOP, then how many iterations needed?

A: 14 iterations in theory. However, LC3 doesn't really have a right shift instruction so testing 3 bits using a similar idea to the program is hard to implement.