## floating point multiplication:

- 1) to multiply 2 floating point numbers, if the signs are the same the sign of the result will be positive or 0, if they are different the sign of the result will be negative or 1. (essentially XOR the signs to get the final sign)
- 2) un-bias the two exponents add the true numbers and then bias the result. This is your tentative exponent for your result. actual exponent (#1) = bias exponent (#1) 127 actual exponent (#2) = bias exponent (#2) 127

tentative exponent of the result = actual exponent (#1) + actual exponent (#2) + 127

- 3) then multiple the two 8 bit (including the hidden bit) unsigned fractional parts. since the most significant bits of the numbers you are multiplying are 1's your result will always be either 15 or 16 bits.
- --> If the 16th bit is a 1 add 1 to the tentative exponent and this gives you the exponent for your result.
- --> If the 16th bit is a 0 the tentative exponent is the exponent of your result.
- \* take the eight most significant bits from the multiplication result (starting with the left most bit). This is your fractional part including the hidden bit. Assemble the result.

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-8.5 =>
    8.5 = 1000.1 = 1.0001 * 2^3
    1 - 10000010 (1) 0001000
   sign exponent magnitude
    0.51
    1.0 \mid 1 < -- (1.0 > = 1)
+3.125 =>
    3.125 = 11.001 = 1.1001 * 2^1
    0 - 10000000 (1) 1001000
   sign exponent magnitude
    0.1251
    0.2501 1
    0.5001 0
                <-- (1.0 >= 1)
    1.0001 1
(-8.5) * (+3.125) = -26.5625 (expected)
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tentative exponent = 3 + 1 = 4
    sign of result = 1 XOR \emptyset = 1 <-- negative
        (1) 0001000
       (1) 1001000
   8 bit * 8 bit = 16 bits result
    carry:
                1
            0000 0000 0000 0000
           0000 0000 0000 0000
           0000 0000 0000 0000
           0000 0100 0100 0000
           0000 0000 0000 0000
           0000 0000 0000 0000
           0010 0010 0000 0000
           0100 0100 0000 0000
           0110 1210 0100 0000
   %2
           0110 1010 0100 0000
    16th bit is 0, which means that the tentative exponent is the final exponent.
   Note:
        * if 16th bit was 1, then final exponent would be tentative exponent + '1'
   thus, final exponent = tentative exponent = 4
    result => 1 - 10000011 (1) 1010100
    check result to make sure it is correct:
       1.1010100 * 2^4 =
       11010.100 * 2^0 =
       11010.100
                           <== -26.5 (correct, close enough)
Example 2:
       +2.5
      +3.5
       +8.75 (expected)
   2.5 \Rightarrow 10.1 \Rightarrow 1.01 * 2^1 \Rightarrow 0 - 10000000 (1) 0100000
   3.5 \Rightarrow 11.1 \Rightarrow 1.11 * 2^1 \Rightarrow 0 - 10000000 (1) 1100000
    sign of the result \Rightarrow 0 XOR 0 = 0 <-- positive
   tentative exponent \Rightarrow 1 + 1 = 2
        (1) 0100000
                               10100000
       (1) 1100000
                               11100000
    --> result should be 16 bits (8+8 = 16)
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111
                              <-- carry
       0000 0000 0000 0000
       0000 0000 0000 0000
       0000 0000 0000 0000
       0000 0000 0000 0000
       0000 0000 0000 0000
       0001 0100 0000 0000
       0010 1000 0000 0000
       0101 0000 0000 0000
       1222 1100 0000 0000
   %2: 1000 1100 0000 0000
   there is a 1 in 16th bit, hence, add one to tentative exponent
   tentative exponent \Rightarrow 2 + 1 = 3
   result => 1.0001100 * 2^3 = 1000.1100 => 0 - 10000010 (1) 0001100 <= +8.750 (expected)
Example 3:
       +15.33
      +7.77
       +119.1141 (expected)
   15.33 \Rightarrow 1111.0101 = 1.1110101 * 2^3
       .3301
       .6601 0
       .3321 1
       .6641 0
       .3381 1
   7.77 \Rightarrow 111.1100 = 1.1111000 * 2^2
       .7701
       .5401 1
       .0801 1
       .1601 0
       .3201 0
       .6401 0
   15.33 => 0 - 10000010 (1) 1110101
   7.77
          => 0 - 10000001 (1) 1111000
   sign of the result \Rightarrow 0 XOR 0 = 0 <-- positive
   tentative exponent \Rightarrow 2 + 3 = 5
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(1) 1110101
                         11110101
     (1) 1111000
                         11111000
   --> result should be 16 bits (8+8 = 16)
      1233 3322 11
      0000 0000 0000 0000
      0000 0000 0000 0000
      0000 0000 0000 0000
      0000 0111 1010 1000
      0000 1111 0101 0000
      0001 1110 1010 0000
      0011 1101 0100 0000
      0111 1010 1000 0000
   _____
      1356 7765 4321 1000
   %2: 1110 1101 0101 1000
   there is a 1 in 16th bit, hence, add one to tentative exponent
   tentative exponent \Rightarrow 5 + 1 = 6
   result => 1.1101101 * 2^6 = 1110110.1 => 0 - 10000101 (1) 1101101 <= +118.5 (expected)
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