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Here is a summary of the process being used in the program:

Overflow Testing

This function runs test_overflow() for various C++ primitive types (char, int, float, etc.). Each call to test_overflow() calculates the result of adding a large increment multiple times to a starting value of 0. The add_numbers() is responsible for performing the addition step by step. It detects if an overflow will occur before each addition and if detected, it returns a sentinel value (std::numeric_limits<T>::max()) to signal that an overflow occurred. The result is printed for the case before and after the overflow.

Underflow Testing

This function runs test_underflow() on the same types. Each call to test_underflow() calculates the result of subtracting a large decrement multiple times from a starting value. The subtract_numbers() performs the subtraction step by step and checks if an underflow will occur before each subtraction. If detected, it prevents the underflow by returning the sentinel value (std::numeric_limits<T>::min()). The result is printed for the case right before and after the underflow.

Both the add_numbers and subtract_numbers functions use a sentinel value (the maximum or minimum possible values for the type) to detect and prevent numeric overflow and underflow. These sentinel values signal a calculation failure, which is then communicated to the user through the console.

I have something weird happening with the underflow detection. The char, short, int, long, and __int64 types are not underflowing as they should be. It might have something to do with rounding, although I don't know enough about what is happening to determine why that might be the case.

Screenshots of the console are included below:

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Microsoft Visual Studio Debu X
Starting Numeric Underflow / Overflow Tests!
**************
*** Running Overflow Tests ***
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Overflow Test of Type = char
          Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 25, 5) = 125
          Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 25, 6) = Overflow detected!
127
Overflow Test of Type = wchar_t
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 13107, 5) = 65535
Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 13107, 6) = Overflow detected!
65535
Overflow Test of Type = short
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 6553, 5) = 32765
Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 6553, 6) = Overflow detected!
32767
Overflow Test of Type = int
          Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 429496729, 5) = 2147483645
          Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 429496729, 6) = Overflow detected!
Overflow Test of Type = long
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 429496729, 5) = 2147483645
          Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 429496729, 6) = Overflow detected!
2147483647
Overflow Test of Type = __int64
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 1844674407370955161, 5) = 9223372036854775805
Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 1844674407370955161, 6) = Overflow detected!
9223372036854775807
Overflow Test of Type = unsigned char
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 51, 5) = 255
Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 51, 6) = Overflow detected!
Overflow Test of Type = unsigned short
          Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 13107, 5) = 65535
          Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 13107, 6) = Overflow detected!
Overflow Test of Type = unsigned int
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 858993459, 5) = 4294967295
Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 858993459, 6) = Overflow detected!
Overflow Test of Type = unsigned long
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 858993459, 5) = 4294967295
Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 858993459, 6) = Overflow detected!
Overflow Test of Type = unsigned __int64
          Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 3689348814741910323, 5) = 18446744073709551615
          Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 3689348814741910323, 6) = Overflow detected!
18446744073709551615
Overflow Test of Type = float
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 6.80565e+37, 5) = 3.40282e+38
          Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 6.80565e+37, 6) = Overflow detected!
3.40282e+38
Overflow Test of Type = double
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 3.59539e+307, 5) = 1.79769e+308
Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 3.59539e+307, 6) = Overflow detected!
Overflow Test of Type = long double
         Adding Numbers Without Overflow (0, 3.59539e+307, 5) = 1.79769e+308
Adding Numbers With Overflow (0, 3.59539e+307, 6) = Overflow detected!
1.79769e+308
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 **************
*** Running Underflow Tests ***
 ****************
Underflow Test of Type = char
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (127, 25, 5) = 2
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (127, 25, 6) = -23
Underflow Test of Type = wchar_t
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (65535, 13107, 5) = 0
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (65535, 13107, 6) = Underflow detected!
Underflow Test of Type = short
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (32767, 6553, 5) = 2
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (32767, 6553, 6) = -6551
Underflow Test of Type = int
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (2147483647, 429496729, 5) = 2
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (2147483647, 429496729, 6) = -429496727
Underflow Test of Type = long
Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (2147483647, 429496729, 5) = 2
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (2147483647, 429496729, 6) = -429496727
Underflow Test of Type = __int64
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (9223372036854775807, 1844674407370955161, 5) = 2
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (9223372036854775807, 1844674407370955161, 6) = -1844674407370955159
Underflow Test of Type = unsigned char
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (255, 51, 5) = 0
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (255, 51, 6) = Underflow detected!
Underflow Test of Type = unsigned short
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (65535, 13107, 5) = 0
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (65535, 13107, 6) = Underflow detected!
Underflow Test of Type = unsigned int
Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (4294967295, 858993459, 5) = 0
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (4294967295, 858993459, 6) = Underflow detected!
Underflow Test of Type = unsigned long
Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (4294967295, 858993459, 5) = 0
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (4294967295, 858993459, 6) = Underflow detected!
Underflow Test of Type = unsigned __int64
Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (18446744073709551615, 3689348814741910323, 5) = 0
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (18446744073709551615, 3689348814741910323, 6) = Underflow detected!
Underflow Test of Type = float
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (3.40282e+38, 6.80565e+37, 5) = 0
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (3.40282e+38, 6.80565e+37, 6) = Underflow detected!
1.17549e-38
Underflow Test of Type = double
             Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (1.79769e+308, 3.59539e+307, 5) = 9.9792e+291
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (1.79769e+308, 3.59539e+307, 6) = Underflow detected!
2.22507e-308
Underflow Test of Type = long double
Subtracting Numbers Without Overflow (1.79769e+308, 3.59539e+307, 5) = 9.9792e+291
Subtracting Numbers With Overflow (1.79769e+308, 3.59539e+307, 6) = Underflow detected!
2.22507e-308
All Numeric Underflow / Overflow Tests Complete!
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