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# Arithmetic for Computers 1

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- Lab 4 underway...

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- **Syllabus (Schedule Section) has been updated**

# Midterm Exam (Wed. 2/12)

## What's on It?

- Everything we've covered in lecture from start to Monday, 2/10

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## What Else?

- Closed book – some notes (desktops to follow)
- Random seat assignments – come to class EARLY!

# Lecture Outline

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- MIPS Instructions: Arrays vs. Pointers

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- Arithmetic
  - Addition / Subtraction
  - Multiplication / Division

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# Arrays vs. Pointers

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- Array indexing involves
  - Multiplying index by element size
  - Adding to array base address
- Pointers correspond directly to memory addresses
  - Can avoid indexing complexity

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## Example: Clearing an Array (the classic way)

```
clear1(int array[], int size) {  
    int i;  
    for (i = 0; i < size; i += 1)  
        array[i] = 0;  
}
```

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```
loop1: move $t0,$zero    # i = 0  
       slti $t1,$t0,$a1 # $t1 = i * 4  
       add $t2,$a0,$t1  # $t2 =  
                        # &array[i]  
       sw $zero, 0($t2) # array[i] = 0  
       addi $t0,$t0,1   # i = i + 1  
       slt $t3,$t0,$a1  # $t3 =  
                        # (i < size)  
       bne $t3,$zero,loop1 # if (...)  
                        # goto loop1
```

## Example: Clearing an Array (using a pointer)

```
clear2(int *array, int size) {  
    int *p;  
    for (p = &array[0]; p < &array[size];  
        p = p + 1)  
        *p = 0;  
}
```

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```
move $t0,$a0      # p = & array[0]  
sll $t1,$t1,2     # $t1 = size * 4  
add $t2,$a0,$t1   # $t2 =  
                  # &array[size]  
loop2: sw $zero,0($t0) # Memory[p] = 0  
addi $t0,$t0,4    # p = p + 4  
slt $t3,$t0,$t2   # $t3 =  
                  # (p<&array[size])  
bne $t3,$zero,loop2 # if (...)  
                  # goto loop2
```

# Comparison of the Two...

```
move    $t0,$zero      # i = 0
loop1: sll    $t1,$t0,2   # $t1 = i * 4
add     $t2,$a0,$t1     # $t2 = &array[i]
sw      $zero, 0($t2)    # array[i] = 0
addi    $t0,$t0,1       # i = i + 1
slt     $t3,$t0,$a1     # $t3 = (i < size)
bne     $t3,$zero,loop1 # if ( ) go to loop1

move    $t0,$a0        # p = & array[0]
loop2: sll    $t1,$a1,2   # $t1 = size * 4
add     $t2,$a0,$t1     # $t2 = &array[size]
sw      $zero, 0($t2)    # Memory[p] = 0
addi    $t0,$t0,4       # p = p + 4
slt     $t3,$t0,$t2     # $t3=(p<&array[size])
bne     $t3,$zero,loop2 # if ( ) go to loop2
```

- Version on the left must have the "multiply" and add inside the loop
- Memory pointer version on the right increments the pointer p directly.
- Moves the scaling shift and the array bound addition outside the loop
- It reduces instructions executed per iteration from 6 to 4.
- This is how a lot of compilers optimize code like this.



# Arithmetic Overview 1

- Addition / subtraction

- Carry out vs. Overflow - remember the difference!

**Examples in 8-bit adders:**

- $0x24 + 0xB0$        $0xD4, C = 0, V = 0$

- $0x7F + 0x66$        $0xE5, C = 0, V = 1$

- $0x15 + 0xFB$        $0x10, C = 1, V = 0$

- $0x87 + 0xAA$        $0x31, C = 1, V = 1$

# Dealing with Overflow in C/C++

- Some languages (e.g., C/C++, Java) ignore overflow
- What happens when you do:

0x87000000 + 0xAA000000 in C++?  
(i.e. -2,030,043,136 + -1,442,840,576?)

- You get 822,083,584... discuss... <https://tutorcs.com>

- In MIPS, you'd use **addu, addui, subu** instructions to not trigger overflow  
(this is what a C/C++ compiler would issue)

- Why?
  - Checking for overflow for every calculation can be demanding on CPU run time

# Dealing with Overflow in Other Languages

- Other languages (e.g., Ada, Fortran – older ones) require raising an exception

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- In MIPS, you'd use MIPS **add**, **addi**, **sub** instructions

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- What actually happens?

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- On overflow, an “exception handler” is invoked
- PC is saved in exception program counter (EPC) register
- Jump executed to predefined handler address
- **mfc0** (move from coprocessor reg) instruction can retrieve EPC value, to return after corrective action

# Arithmetic Overview 2

- Multiplication

- Left bit shifting by N bits  $\leftrightarrow$  Multiplying by  $2^N$
- Using **mult** / **multu** and **mflo** (or **mfhi**)

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- Division

- Right bit shifting by N bits  $\leftrightarrow$  Integer divide by  $2^N$
- Using **div** / **divu** (again, with **mflo** or **mfhi**)
  - No checking for overflow or divide-by-zero
- Raises questions about floating point...
  - Will be coming up...

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# Multiplication in Computers: The Algorithm using a Decimal Example

- Let **P** be the partial *product*,  
**M** be the *multiplicand*,  
and **N** be the *multiplier*
  - i.e.  $P$  eventually will be  $= M * N$

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Initially,  $P$  is 0

Loop:

If  $N$  is 0, then  $P$  = the result, exit Loop

Else,  $P +=$  (the rightmost digit of  $N$ ) times  $M$

Shift  $N$  right once, and  $M$  left once

Repeat Loop

# Example with Decimals

$803 * 151$  (which we expect to be 121,253)

P	M	N
0	803	151

1. N is not 0

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2.  $P += (\text{rightmost digit of } N_{[1]}) * M_{[803]}$

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Shift N right once, M left once

N is not 0

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3.  $P += (\text{rightmost digit of } N_{[5]}) * M_{[8030]}$

Shift N right once, M left once

N is not 0

4.  $P += (\text{rightmost digit of } N_{[1]}) * M_{[80300]}$

Shift N right once, M left once

**N IS 0 ; END**

# Example with Decimals

$803 * 151$  (which we expect to be 121,253)

P	M	N
0	803	151
803	8030	15
40953	80300	1
121253	803000	0

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1. N is not 0

2.  $P += (\text{rightmost digit of } N_{[1]}) * M_{[803]}$

Shift N right once, M left once

N is not 0

3.  $P += (\text{rightmost digit of } N_{[5]}) * M_{[8030]}$

Shift N right once, M left once

N is not 0

4.  $P += (\text{rightmost digit of } N_{[1]}) * M_{[80300]}$

Shift N right once, M left once

**N IS 0 ; END**

# Multiplication in Computers:

## The Algorithm using a **Binary** Example

- ...Even easier than the decimal example:  
Shown here for 32 bits  
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Initially, P is 0

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Loop 32 times:

If  $N_{\text{bit}0} = 1$ , then  $P += M$

Shift N right once, and M left once



# Simple Example using 8 bits

$M = 0x04 = 0000\ 0100$  (multiplicand)

$N = 0x05 = 0000\ 0101$  (multiplier)

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- $P = 0$

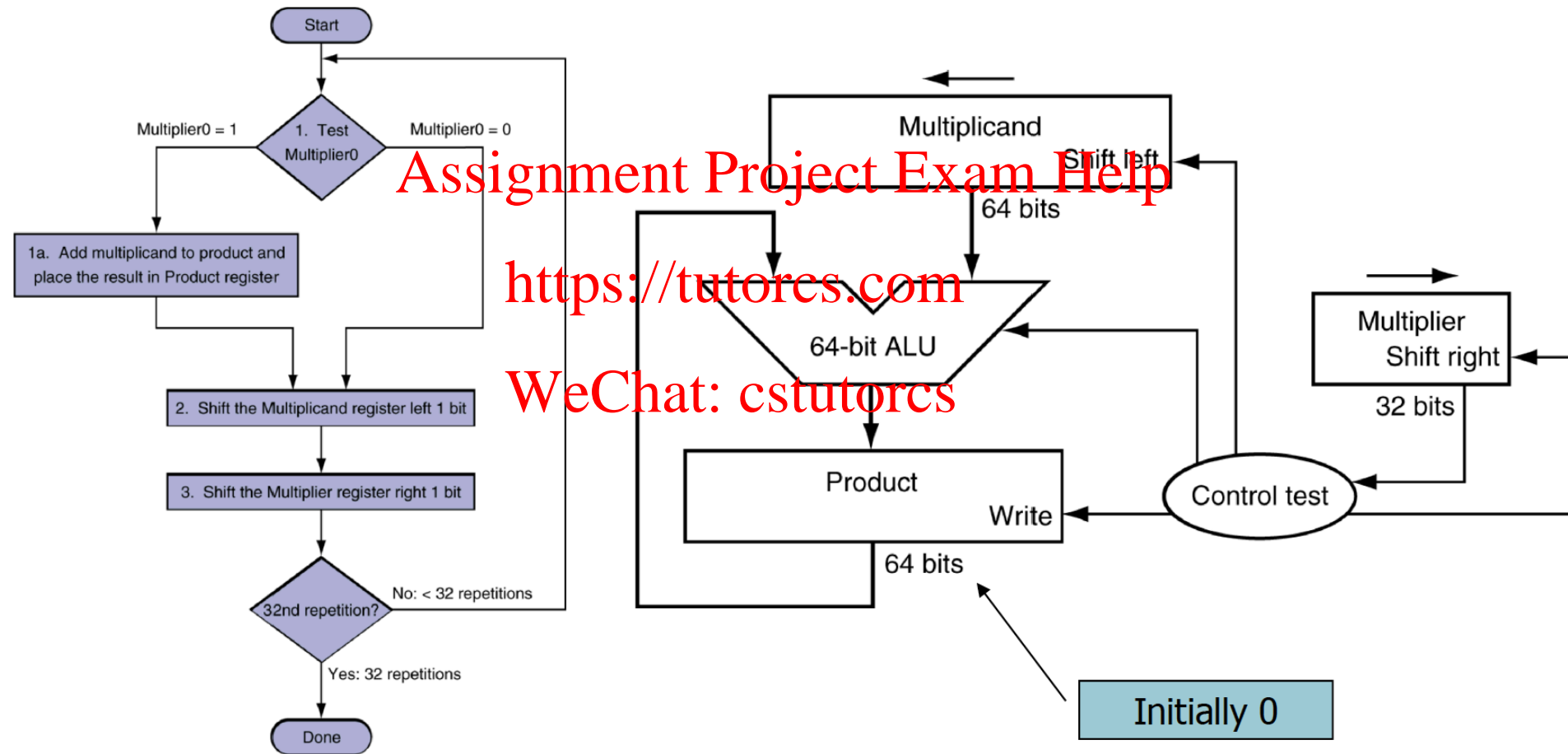
- $N_0 = 1 \rightarrow P += 0x04 = 0x04$ ,  $N = 0000\ 0010$ ,  $M = 0000\ 1000$

- $N_0 = 0 \rightarrow P = 0x04$  (unchanged),  $N = 0000\ 0001$ ,  $M = 0001\ 0000$

- $N_0 = 1 \rightarrow P += 0x10 = 0x14$ ,  $N = 0000\ 0000$ ,  $M = 0010\ 0000$

- Exit with  **$P = 0x14$**  (correct answer, since  $0x14 = 20$ )

# Multiplication Hardware

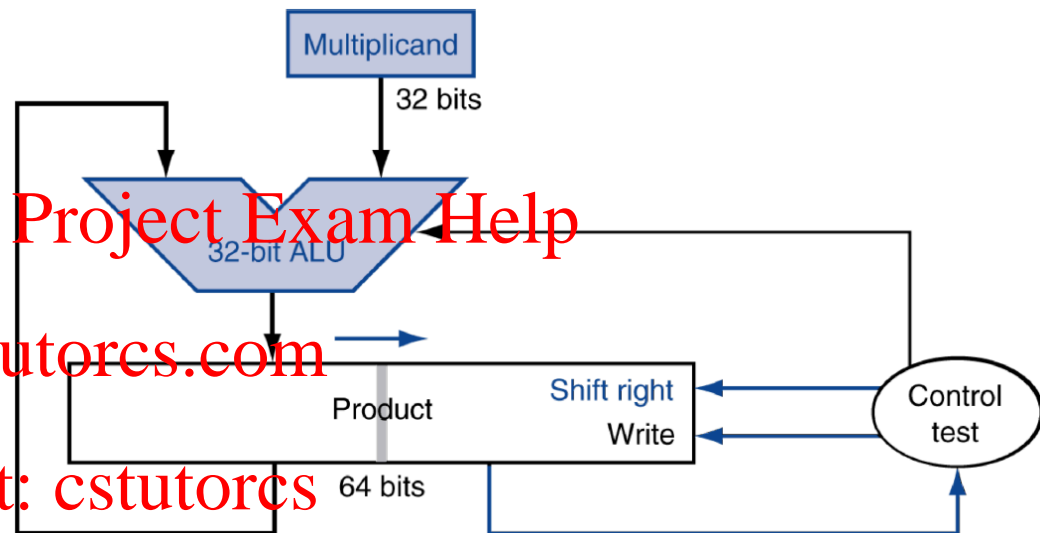


*Can be further optimized with added HW*

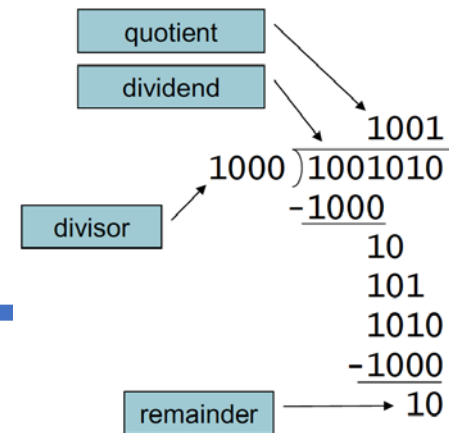
# Optimization of HW for Multiplication

- You can perform some steps in parallel: add/shift

- One cycle per partial-product addition is ok to do, if frequency of multiplications in program is low



# Division in Computers: The Algorithm



- Dividend (N)  $\div$  Divisor (D) = Quotient, Remainder

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Initially,  $R = N$

Loop 32 times:

$R = R - D$

If  $R \geq 0$ , then

shift Q to left 1 bit

set LSB to 1 (that is,  $Q \mid 1$ )

Else

$R = R + D$

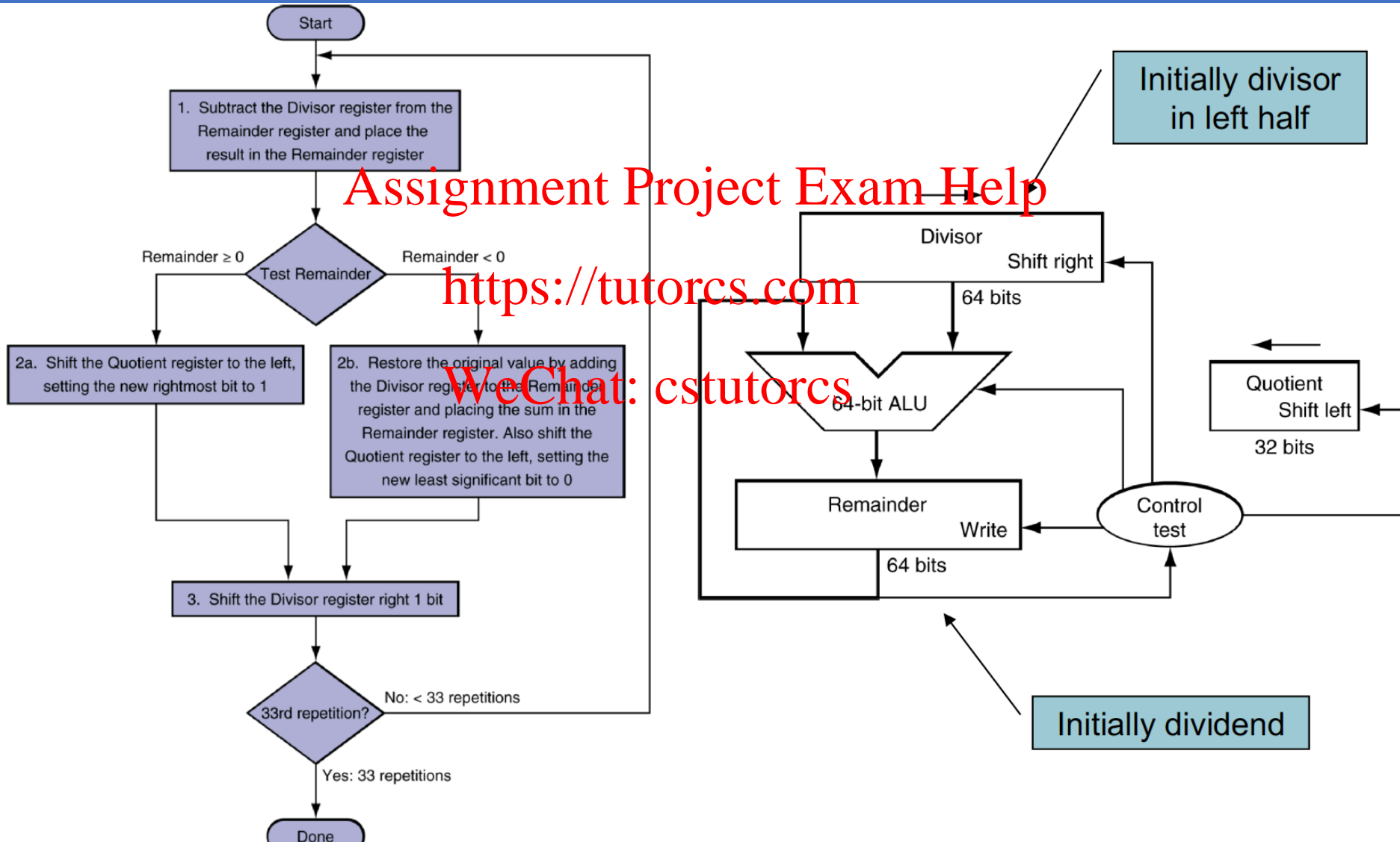
shift Q to left 1 bit

Shift D 1 bit to right,

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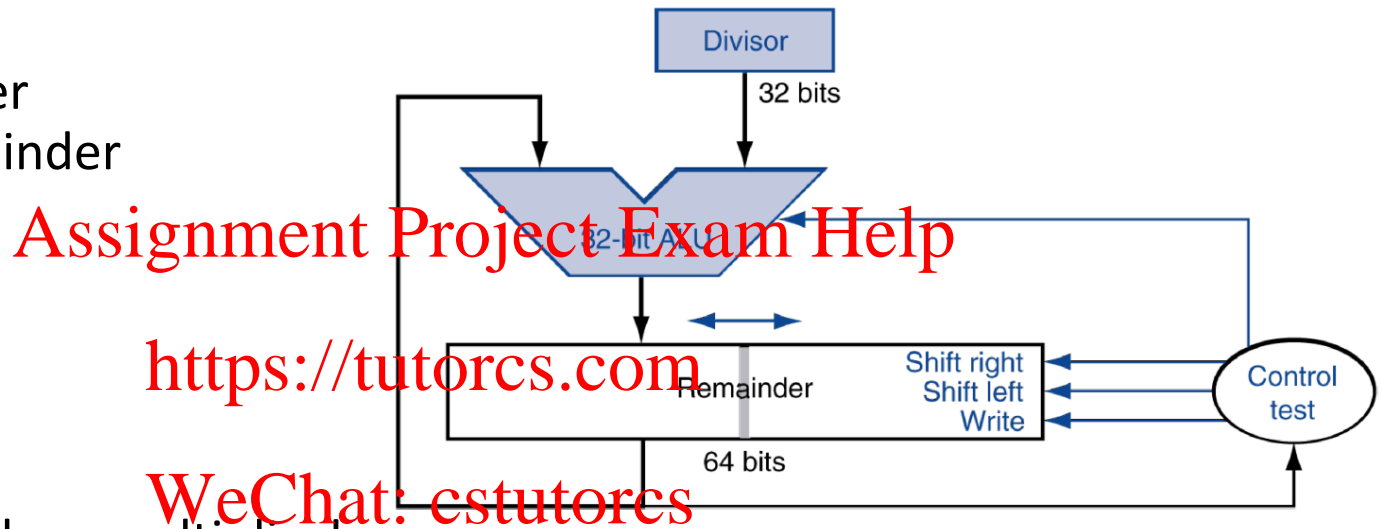
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# Division Hardware



# Optimization of HW for Division

- One cycle per partial-remainder subtraction



- Looks a lot like a multiplier!
- In fact, we can use the same hardware for both...

# Floating Point

- Representation for non-integral numbers
- Including very small and very large numbers

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- Usually follows some "normalized" form of scientific notation
- Example:  $-2.34 \times 10^6$  (ok) vs.  $-234 \times 10^4$  (not ok)

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- In binary, the form is:  $\pm 1.\text{xxxxxxx}_{(\text{base } 2)} \times 2^{\text{yyyy}}$
- Types `float` and `double` in C/C++
- More in next lecture...

# YOUR TO-DOs for the Week

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- Readings!

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- Work on Lab 4!

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