

# NWEN241 Low-Level Programming

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# **This Lecture**

• Bitwise operators, masks and how to use them

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## **Bitwise Operators**

Logical operators

```
- ~: complement (turns "1" to "0" and "0" to "1")
```

- &: and
- ^: exclusive or
- |: inclusive or

а	b	a&b	a^b	a b
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1

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- Complement operator (~)
  - Representing negative integer in binary notation

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/* 00000000 00000000 00000000 000000000 */
/* 10000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 */
/* leftmost bit set to 0 means... */
/* leftmost bit set to 1 means... */
```

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/* leftmost bit set to 0 means positive */
/* leftmost bit set to 1 means negative */
```

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/* \sim a = -(a + 1) */
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Shift operators

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- <<
- >>
int a = 1;
/* 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000001 */
```

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```
int a = n;  /* a = -(~a + 1) */

a = 11111111 11111111 11111111 11111011

~a = 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000100

a = -(~a + 1) = -(101) = -5

a = -5
```

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## **Bitwise Operators**

Shift operators

```
- <<
->>
int a = 1;
/* 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000001 */
a = a << 31;
/* 10000000 00000000 00000000 00000000 */</pre>
```

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- >>
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/* for int, system dependent */
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/* 00001000 00000000 00000000 00000000 */
```

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Two popular masks

```
-1: 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000001

int a = 5, low_order_bit, mask = 1;

low_order_bit = a & mask; /* 1 */

/* only the low-order bit is retained */

/* if we want to find the value of a */

/* particular bit, shift the mask */

int second bit = (a & (mask << 1)) >> 1;
```

• Two popular masks

```
- 1:     00000000 00000000 000000001
int a = 5, low_order_bit, mask = 1;
low_order_bit = a & mask;     /* 1 */
/* only the low-order bit is retained */
/* if we want to find the value of a */
/* particular bit, shift the mask */
int second_bit = (a & (mask << 1)) ? 1 : 0;</pre>
```

**Masks** 

• Two popular masks

```
- 255: 00000000 00000000 00000000 11111111
int a = 261, low_order_byte, mask = 255;
low_order_byte = a & mask; /* ? */
/* only the low-order byte is retained */
```

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## **Masks**

Two popular masks

```
- 255: 00000000 00000000 00000000 11111111
int a = 261, low_order_byte, mask = 255;
low_order_byte = a & mask; /* 5 */
/* only the low-order byte is retained */
```

## **Masks**

• An example (print an int in bits)

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Packing/unpacking data

```
/* pack a structure into an integer */
```

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Packing/unpacking data

```
/* pack a structure into an integer */
typedef struct student {
  int id;
  int age;
  char gender;
  char classrep;
} Student;
int pack(int id, int age, char cr, char g);
Student unpack(int stu);
void bitprint(int a);
```

### **Masks**

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Packing/unpacking data

```
- Packing (for you to do)
```

```
/* id(23bits), age(7bits), */
/* gender(1bit), classrep(1bit) */
/* implement pack with following prototype */
int pack(Student *);
```

#### **Masks**

Packing/unpacking data

```
- Packing
/* id(23bits), age(7bits), */
/* gender(1bit), classrep(1bit) */
int pack(int id, int age, char g, char cr)
{ int student = 0; /* 00000000 ... 00000000 */
  student |= (q=='M' || q=='m')? 1:0;
  student |= ((cr=='Y' || cr=='y')? 1:0) << 1;
  student |= age << 2;
 student |= id << 9;
 return student; /* contain packed info */
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```

#### **Masks**

Packing/unpacking data

```
    Unpacking
```

```
/* id(23), age(7), gender(1), classrep(1) */
Student unpack(int stu)
{ Student a;
  int mask1=1, mask2 = 127, mask3 = 8388607;
     /* what should the masks look like??? */
  a.gender = ((stu&mask1)? 'M':'F');
  a.classrep = ((stu&(mask1<<1))>>1)? 'Y':'N';
  a.age = ((stu&(mask2<<2))>>2);
  a.id = ((stu&(mask3<<9))>>9);
  return a;
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```

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### **Next Week/Lecture**

- File handling
- Writing large programs

#### **Masks**

· Packing/unpacking data

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