# 2 Representation of Integer

# 2.0 Why binary?

Scales: Binary (二进制), Octal (八进制), Decimal (十进制), Hexadecimal (十六进制).

Given a number N, we can use R-scale to represent it, that will cost  $\log_R N$  digits. The basic number of R-scale  $(0,1,\ldots,R-1)$  should be represent in different ways, so each digit should cost R space, then the total space cost D can be represented as:

$$D = R \log_R N = \ln N \frac{R}{\ln R}$$
  $\frac{\partial D}{\partial R} = \ln N \cdot \frac{\ln R - 1}{(\ln R)^2}$ 

When R=e=2.71828...,  $\frac{\partial D}{\partial R}=0$ , which means D reaches its minimum.

Since  $R \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can get the optimal solution: R = 2 or R = 3.

Binary is more convenient for circuit design than ternary, so we choose binary to represent data in computer.

# 2.1 Encoding of Integer

$$m = X_0 X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$$

- Signed magnitude (原码)
  - $\circ X_0$  represent the sign of the integer m (0: non-negative, 1: non-positive).
  - $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$  is the binary form of |m|.
  - As a result, the number 0 has two codes 100...00 or 000...00.
  - Not convenient for calculation.
- One's complement (反码)
  - $X_0$  represent the sign of the integer m (0: non-negative, 1: non-positive).
  - $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$  is the binary form of the number m if  $X_0 = 0$ ;
  - $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$  is the bitwise NOT of the binary form of the number -m if  $X_0 = 1$ .
  - As a result, the number 0 has two codes 000...00 or 111...11.
  - Not convenient enough for calculation, either.
- Two's complement (补码)
  - $X_0$  represent the sign of the integer m (0: non-negative, 1: non-positive).
  - $X_1X_2...X_n$  is the binary form of the number m if  $X_0=0$ ;
  - $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$  is 1 plus the bitwise NOT of the binary form of the number -m if  $X_0 = 1$ .
  - Actually,  $X_1X_2...X_n$  is the binary form of the number  $(2^n+m)$  if  $X_0=1$ , so  $X_0X_1X_2...X_n$  is actually  $(2^{n+1}+m)$ . That is,

$$[m]_{TC} = [m]_2 \quad (0 \le m < 2^n)$$
  $[m]_{TC} = [2^{n+1} + m]_2 \quad (-2^n \le m < 0)$ 

**The two's complement** has the same effect as  $mod 2^{n+1}$ .

- As a result, the number 0 only has one code 000...00.
- How to write a negative number in two's complement?

- From the lowest digit of its absolute number's binary code, when we encounter 0 and the first 1, we do not change their digits; then we change the digits after the first 1 to their opposite numbers (0 to 1, 1 to 0). (从其绝对值的二进制编码的最低位开始,遇到的0和第一个1不变,之后的所有数取反。)
- **CAN NOT** compare two numbers in two's complement directly.

$$\circ [X]_{TC} + [-X]_{TC} = 2^{n+1} = [0]_{TC}$$

$$(X+Y)_{TC} = [X]_{TC} + [Y]_{TC}$$
$$[X-Y]_{TC} = [X]_{TC} + [-Y]_{TC}$$

[Example] (different encoding methods in computer)

$$[-102]_{10} = [11100110]_S = [10011001]_{OC} = [10011010]_{TC}$$

where S stands for Signed magnitude, OC stands for One's complement and TC stands for Two's complement.

So -102 has the code of 10011010 in two's complement, as a result, it is stored as  $[9A]_H=[9A]_{16}$  in computer.

[Example] The encoding method of int in the computer is two's complement.

 $[100...00]_{TC} = -2147483648 = -2^{31}, [011...11]_{TC} = 2147483647$ , so the range of *int* in computer is [-2147483648, 2147483647].

# 2.2 Encoding of Unsigned Integer

$$m = X_0 X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$$

The range is  $[0, 2^{n+1} - 1]$ , it is also same as  $mod 2^{n+1}$ .

The two's complement of a signed number can also be regard as a unsigned number, which means the code does not change! But the meaning of the code changes, a negative number becomes a quite big positive number.

[Example] **Warning** In C compiler, if the two operands are a signed number and an unsigned number, the signed number will be implicitly transformed to unsigned number.

```
unsigned int length = 0;
for (int i = 0; i <= length - 1; ++ i)
   // do something ...</pre>
```

In the program above, <code>length</code> is an unsigned number while <code>i</code> and <code>l</code> are a signed number, the compiler will automatically transform <code>l</code> to unsigned number, and calculate <code>length</code> - <code>l</code> which is <code>0-1</code> in unsigned number, so the result will be  $2^{32}-1$ , which is the maximum number of *unsigned int*. The comparison between <code>i</code> and <code>length</code> - <code>l</code> will also be treated as unsigned number comparison, so the loop will never end because all the *unsigned int* number is not greater than  $2^{32}-1$ .

How to use unsigned in programming?

- Use unsigned int to represent set (subset).
- Use unsigned int as a modulo system.

# 2.3 Bitwise Operators

Operator &, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||, ||,

• Masking (掩码): Use operator & to extract some certain digit of an number:

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[Example] 0x8c \& 0x0F = 0x0C extract the digit C; 0x238c \& 0x0FF0 = 0x0380 extract the digits 38.
```

• Set or check in certain digits: Use operator & or 1 to set 1 or 0 in some certain digit, or check if certain digit is 0 or 1.

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[Example] 0x0c \mid 0xF0 = 0xFC; 0x238C \& 0x0FFF = 0x038C;
Check if the last binary digit of x is 1: x & 1.
```

• Represent a set: The i-th binary digit represent whether  $p_j$  is in the set. The & operator can be used to get the *intersection* of two sets; the || operator can be used to get the *union* of two set; the || operator can be used to get the *symmetric difference* of two sets.

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[Example] \{1,2,4,6\} can be represent as 01010110, \{1,3,5\} can be represent as 00101010; 01010110 & 00101010 = 01111110 represent \{1,2,3,4,5,6\} = \{1,2,4,6\} \cup \{1,3,5\}.
```

- Digit-extension (位扩展): the C programming language will do it automatically, after the extension, the number **WILL NOT** change.
  - o 0-extension (0扩展): the transformation of *unsigned* numbers, all the extension digit will be filled with 0.
  - o signed-extension (带符号扩展): the transformation of *signed* numbers, all the extension digit will be filled with the sign digit of the original number.

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[Example]

(unsigned short)111...11 = (int)000..00111...11

(short)011...11 = (int)000...00011...11

(short)111...11 = (int)111...11111...11
```

• Digit-truncation (位截断): the C programming language will do it automatically. Force to truncate, so the meanings may be different.

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[Example]
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int i = 32768;
short j = (int) i;
int k = (short) j;
```

Both i and j have code of 0x8000 in the two's complement, which represent the number of -32768 in *signed short*. When cast to *int* again, the number is still -32768 according to the digit-extension rules, that is, k have a code of 0xFFFF8000 in the two's complement, which is different from original number 32768.

- Shift-truncation (移位): the C programming language has the operator << and >>.
  - o Left-shift (左移): throw away the high digits, and filled the low digits with 0. Usually, x << 1 has the same effect as x \* 2. Left-shift may cause overflow and get the wrong result.

o Right-shift (右移): throw away the low digits, and filled the high digits with 0 (logic right-shift (逻辑右移)); or throw away the low digits, and filled the high digits with the sign digit of original number (arithmetic right-shift(算术右移)). Just like digitextension, compiler will automatically choose one of the methods. Similarly, x >> 1 has the same effect as x / 2 usually.

[Example]

x >> y get the result  $\lfloor x/2^y \rfloor$ , so if x is negative, we may get unexpected result (because the result is not zero-correction(向零取整)), that is, the result is different from x / (1 << y).

Let's say y = 2, when x is negative, the result of x >> 2 may be different from x / 4.

• **Warning**: In the shift operator  $x \ll y$  or  $x \gg y$ , if y is greater than the digit-length of x, then the C compiler / MIPS will automatically do the modulo operation in y.

[Example] If the x has 32 digits, the result will be  $x \gg (y\%32)$ .

# 2.4 Logic Operators

Logic Operators &&, | | , ! only get the result *true* (not 0) or *false* (0).

[Example] Short-circuit evaluation in logic operator: true | | p == 1, we don't need to check if p==1, we can get the result is true.

## The Comparison between Logic Operators and Bitwise Operators:

- Logic Operators: only has *true* or *false*, don't care about the actual numbers.
- Bitwise Operators: are operations between actual numbers.

# 2.5 The +/- Operators

Suppose the digit numbers of the operands are w.

# **Unsigned Addition Operation**

Unsigned addition operation is same as addition operation under modulo  $2^w$ , that is,

$$UAdd_w(u,v) = (u+v) \ mod \ 2^w$$

## **Signed Addition Operation (TC)**

According to the addition formula in two's complement, we still have:

$$TAdd_w(u,v) = (u+v) \ mod \ 2^w$$

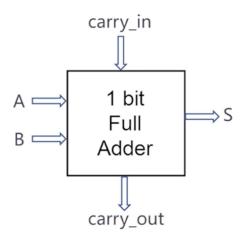
That means, in the following program, sum1 is equal to sum2.

```
int u, v;
int sum1 = (int)((unsigned int)u + (unsigned int v);
int sum2 = u + v;
```

**Explanation** The numbers are the same, only the ways we look at the numbers change.

#### **Serial Carry Adder**

So the addition operation can be implemented with many 1-bit Full Adders (一位全加器).



where, *A* and *B* are operands, *carry\_in* is the carry of lower digits, *carry\_out* is the carry of higher digits, *S* is the result of this digit.

We can have:

```
S = A ^ B ^ carry_in

carry_out = (A & B) | (A & carry_in) | (B & carry_in)
```

With many 1-bit full adders connected together, we get a **serial carry adder** (simple but slow).

# **Unsigned Subtraction Operation**

Unsigned subtraction operation is same as substract operation under modulo  $2^w$ , that is,

$$USub_w(u,v) = u - v = u - v + 2^w = u + (2^w - v) = u + \overline{v} + 1$$

### **Signed Subtraction Operation (TC)**

According to the addition formula in two's complement,

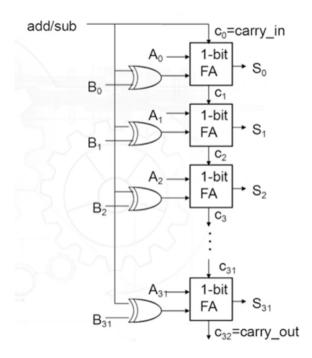
$$[A-B]_{TC}=[A+(-B)]_{TC}=[A]_{TC}+[-B]_{TC}.$$
 And we know that  $[B]_{TC}+[-B]_{TC}=0$ , so we have  $[-B]_{TC}=0-[B]_{TC}=\overline{[B]_{TC}}+1.$ 

$$TSub_w(u,v) = u - v = u + \overline{v} + 1$$

## **Arithmetic/Logic Unit**

Thus, we can design a serial carry adder-subtracter (串行加减法器) in the following structure.

When doing addition operation, the signal add/sub is 0; when doing subtraction operation, the signal is 1.



We use a *xor-gate* to implement the bitwise NOT operation in the subtraction.

This unit can also do other logic/arithmetic things, so we call it **ALU** (**Arithmetic/Logic Unit**).

# **Carry Lookahead Adder**

We summarize the carry signals, then we get:

We can use some notations to make the formulas simpler.

$$g_i \stackrel{\Delta}{=} x_i \text{ and } y_i$$
 $p_i \stackrel{\Delta}{=} x_i \text{ or } y_i$ 

then we have:

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c1 = g0 | (p0 & c0);

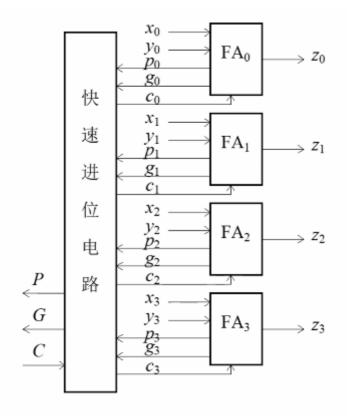
c2 = g1 | (p1 & g0) | (p1 & p0 & c0);

c3 = g2 | (p2 & g1) | (p2 & p1 & g0) | (p2 & p1 & p0 & c0);

c4 = g3 | (p3 & g2) | (p3 & p2 & g1) | (p3 & p2 & p1 & g0) |

(p3 & p2 & p1 & p0 & c0);
```

With the formulas above, we can calculate carry of 4 digits in one special unit, which speed up the process of calculation. We call it **Carry Lookahead Adder** (**CLA**).



# 2.6 Overflow

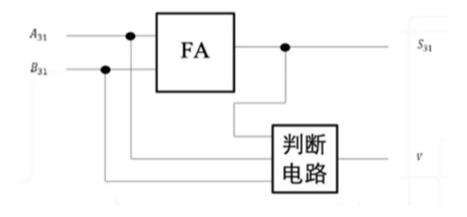
**Overflow**: the result of operation is out of the range of number.

Two number with the opposite sign in addition operation or two number with the same sign in subtraction operation **CAN NOT** cause *overflow*. Only two number with the same sign in addition operation or two number with the opposite sign in subtraction operation **MAY** cause *overflow*.

Operation	Operand A	Operand B	Overflow Result
C = A + B	$A \geq 0$	$B \ge 0$	C < 0
C = A + B	A < 0	B < 0	$C \ge 0$
C = A - B	$A \geq 0$	B < 0	C < 0
C = A - B	A < 0	$B \ge 0$	$C \geq 0$

# How to check if overflow happens?

ullet Check the sign digit: suppose the highest digit number is 31 (n=32).



```
Overflow_Sign = (A31 & B31 & (~ S31)) | ((~ A31) & (~ B31) & S31);

Overflow_Sign = (A(n-1) & B(n-1) & ~ (S(n-1))) | (~ (A(n-1)) & ~ (B(n-1)) & C(n-1));
```

- Check the carry of the highest digit  $c_{n-1}$  and the carry of the second-highest digit  $c_n$ .
  - If  $c_{n-1} = c_n$ , then **NO** overflow.
  - $\circ$  If  $c_{n-1} \neq c_n$ , then **OVERFLOW**.

 $c_{n-1}$  is the carry\_in of (n-1) digit and  $c_n$  is the carry\_out of (n-1) digit.

P.S: We count the digit from 0 to (n-1).

So we can add a *xor-gate* between carry\_in and carry\_out of the digit (n-1), that is,

```
Overflow_Sign = carry_in(n-1) ^ carry_out(n-1);
```

• Double sign-digit. Extend the sign digit to 2 digits, and use 00 to represent positive and 11 to represent negative. Then if the result's sign digits are 01 or 10, overflow happens.

# 2.7 The \* Operator

## **Multiplication Operation with Signed magnitude**

When consider only one digit, we can use an *and-gate* to get the answer simply, so we can use *ALU* and *and-gate* to implement the multiplication operation.

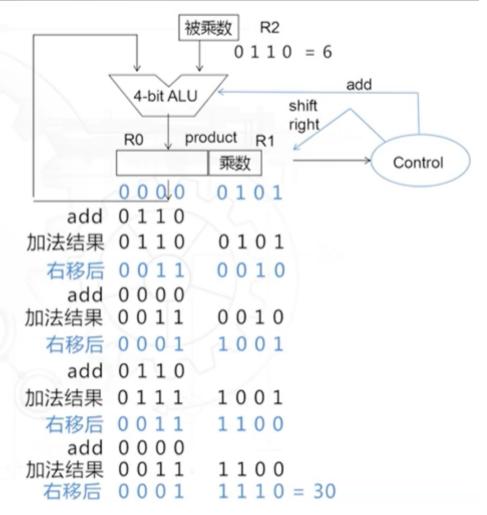
We can also design a more specific circuit to finish the task.

- If the last digit of R1 is 0, do nothing (R0 plus 0)
- If the last digit of R1 is 1, then set R0 to R0 plus R2.

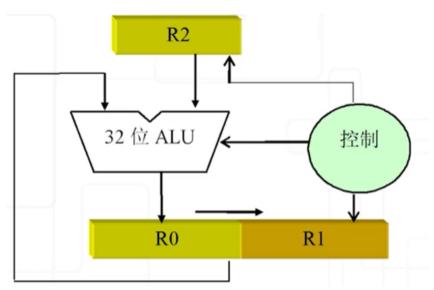
After addition operation end, do the right-shift to R0 and R1.

**NOTE**: when doing *right-shift*, treat R0 and R1 as a total!

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With the method above, we can design a circuit to do 32-bit multiplication operation of signed magnitude.



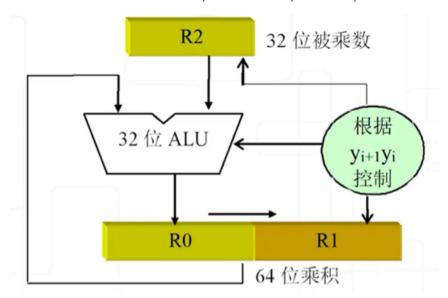
**NOTE**: the sign digit is **NOT** involved in the calculation above!

## Multiplication Operation with Two's Complement: Booth Algorithm

With the method above, we use the last two digit of R1 to control the operation:

- If the last two digit of R1  $y_{i+1}y_i$  is 00 or 11, do nothing.
- If the last two digit of R1  $y_{i+1}y_i$  is 01, then set R0 to R0 plus R2.
- If the last two digit of R1  $y_{i+1}y_i$  is 10, then set R0 to R0 minus R2.

We can use the same structure above to complete the multiplication operation.



#### **Correctness Proof**

Suppose 
$$[x]_{TC}=x_nx_{n-1}\dots x_1x_0, [y]_{TC}=y_ny_{n-1}\dots y_1y_0$$
, then 
$$result=(0-y_0)x\times 2^0+(y_0-y_1)x\times 2^1+(y_1-y_2)x\times 2^2+\dots+(y_{30}-y_{31})x\times 2^{31}$$
 So,

$$result = x(-y_{31} \times 2^{31} + y_{30} \times 2^{30} + y_{29} \times 2^{29} + \dots + y_0 \times 2^0)$$

 $y_{31}$  is the sign digit of y, so whether y is positive or negative, we have:

$$y = (-y_{31} \times 2^{31} + y_{30} \times 2^{30} + y_{29} \times 2^{29} + \dots + y_0 \times 2^0)$$

As a result, result = xy, the algorithm is correct!

Suppose the digit numbers of the operands are w.

# **Unsigned Multiplication Operation**

Unsigned multiplication operation is same as multiplication operation under modulo  $2^w$ , that is,

$$UMult_w(u,v) = (u \cdot v) \ mod \ 2^w$$

## **Signed Multiplication Operation (TC)**

We can find that the formula still works:

$$Tmult_w(u,v) = (u\cdot v)\ mod\ 2^w$$

# **Compiler Optimization in Multiplication Operation**

Use << or >> and + or - to optimize:

[Example] The following code can be optimized.

```
long mul12(long x) {
    return x * 12;
}
```

After compiling with optimization, we can get:

```
leaq (%rax, %rax, 2), %rax
salq $2, %rax
```

which means:

```
t = x + x * 2;
return (t << 2);
```

[Example] When the compiler optimize division operation, a correct term may be added.

We have mentioned before that the result of x >> y and x / (1 << y) may be different. The compiler will automatically optimize the code x / (1 << y) as (x + (1 << y) - 1) >> y, that is,  $\lfloor (x + (2^y - 1))/2^y \rfloor$ , then the two results are the same.

## **Overflow**

The multiplication operation usually **DO NOT** have an overflow-check feature, and the compiler **MAY NOT** check the overflow problem of multiplying.