Lecture 4 Problem Set

Problem 2.86

1. Give a correct implementation using only left and right shifts along with 1 subtraction.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Problem 2.88

1. (float) x == (float) dx

True. Rounding may cause problems in the general case, but float is well-defined for the range this deals with. (I verified this experimentally.)

2. dx - dy == (double) (x - y)

True. double is well-defined over the range of int, so there is no chance of a rounding error. We're dealing in integers, so decimal rounding errors are out. There is also no way to cause ambiguous 0 comparisons.

3. (dx + dy) + dz == dx + (dy + dz)

True. Not true in the general case, as floating-point arithmetic is not associative or distributive, but double encapsulates all numbers possible in int, and therefore is well defined for these conditions.

4. (dx * dy) * dz == dx * (dy * dz)

False. Distributed

5. dx / dx == dz / dz

False. If dx or dz is 0 while the other isn't, then they will have different results.