# Signed Number Concepts and Arithmetic Operations

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## Signed Number Concepts

- To represent a number as signed, the MSB is set aside for sign.
- The sign is represented by 0 for positive (+) numbers and 1 for negative (-) numbers.
- The steps in representing a negative number (in 2's Complement)
  - Represent the number in 8-bit binary
  - Invert the digits
  - Add 1 with the inverted number

# Overflow problem in signed number operations

- The AVR indicates the existence of an error by raising the V (overflow) flag, but it is up to the programmer to care of the erroneous result.
- If the result of an operation on signed numbers is too large for the register, an overflow occurs, V flag is set.

```
+96 0110 0000
+ <u>+70</u> 0100 0110
The limit is +127 +166 1010 0110 (-90) INVALID RESULT
N=1, V=1
```

## When is the V flag set?

- In 8-bit signed operations, V is set to 1 if either of the following conditions occurs:
  - There is a carry from D6 to D7 but no carry out of D7 (C=0)
  - There is a carry from D7 out (C=1) but no carry from D6 to D7
- In other words, the overflow flag is set to 1 if there is a carry from D6 to D7 or from D7 out but not the both.
- It means that if there are carry both from D6 to D7 and from D7 out, V=0.

## Example

```
0110 0000
 +96
                       (N=0,C=0,V=1) result is -90 WRONG
          0100 0110
 +70
          1010 0110
+166
          1000 0000
- 128
                       ( N=0,C=1,V=1) result is +126 WRONG
          1111 1110
- 130
          0111 1110
          1000 0010
- 126
          1111 1110
                       ( N=1, C=1, V=0)
          1000 0000
- 128
```

# Further Consideration on V flag

- In the ADD instruction there are two different conditions, either the operands have the same sign or the signs of the operands are different.
- When we ADD operands of different signs, the absolute values of the operands are less than absolute values of one of the operands, so overflow can not happen.
- Overflow can only happen when operands of same sign, it is possible that the result overflows the limit of the register
- In AVR, the equation of V flag is as follows:

 $V = Rd7.Rr7.\overline{R7} + \overline{Rd7}.\overline{Rr7}.R7$ 

• Where Rd7 and Rr7 are 7<sup>th</sup> bit of the operands and R7 is the 7<sup>th</sup> bit of the result.

# Difference between N and S flag

- The N flag represents D7 bit of the result.
  - If the result is positive, the N flag is zero and if the result is negative N flag is 1.
- In operations of signed numbers, overflow is possible. Overflow corrupts the result and negates (make opposite) the D7 bit.
  - So if we ADD two positive numbers, in case of overflow, the N flag would be 1 showing that the result is negative!
- The S flag helps you to know the real sign of the actual result.

Examine the following code, noting the role of the V and N flags:

```
LDI R20,-2 ; R20 = 1111 1110 (R20 = FEH)

LDI R21,-5 ; R21 = 1111 1110 (R21 = FBH)

ADD R20,R21 ; R20 = (-2) + (-5) = -7 or F9H

; correct, since V = 0
```

#### Solution:

```
-2 1111 1110
+ -5 1111 1011
- 7 1111 1001 and V = 0 and N = 1. Sum is negative
```

According to the CPU, the result is -7, which is correct, and the V indicates that (V = 0).

Examine the following code, noting the role of the V and N flags:

```
LDI R20,7 ;R20 = 0000 0111

LDI R20,18 ;R20 = 0001 0010

ADD R20,R21 ;R20 = (+7) + (+18)

;R20 = 00000111 + 00010010 = 0001 1001

;R20 = (+7) + (+18) = +25, N = 0, positive

;and correct, V = 0
```

#### Solution:

```
+ 7 0000 0111
+ +18 0001 0010
+25 0001 1001 N = 0 (positive 25) and V = 0
```

According to the CPU, this is +25, which is correct, and V = 0 indicates that.

### **Conditional Jump**

- BRSH (branch if same or higher) and BRLO (branch if lower) instructions
  - to compare unsigned numbers.

Write a program to monitor PORTB continuously for the value 63H. It should stop monitoring only if PORTB = 63H.

```
LDI
            R20,0x00
                         ; PORT B is input
      OUT
            DDRB, R20
            R21,0x63
      LDI
AGAIN:
            R20, PINB
      IN
            R20, R21
                         ; compare with 0x63, Z = 1 if yes
      CP
                          ; go to AGAIN if PORTB is not equal to 0x63
      BRNE
            AGAIN
      . . . .
```

Write a program to find the greater of the two values 27 and 54, and place it in R20.

```
.EQU VAL_1=27
.EQU VAL_2=54

LDI R20,VAL_1 ;R20 = VAL_1
LDI R21,VAL_2 ;R21 = VAL_2
CP R21,R20 ;compare R21 and R20
BRLO NEXT ;if R21<R20 (branch if lower) go to NEXT
LDI R20,VAL_2 ;R20 = VAL_2</pre>
NEXT:
```

Assume that Port B is an input port connected to a temperature sensor. Write a program to read the temperature and test it for the value 75. According to the test results, place the temperature value into the registers indicated by the following.

```
\begin{array}{lll} \text{If T} = 75 & \text{then R16} = T & ; R17 = 0 ; R18 = 0 \\ \text{If T} > 75 & \text{then R16} = 0 & ; R17 = T ; R18 = 0 \\ \text{If T} < 75 & \text{then R16} = 0 & ; R17 = 0 ; R18 = T \end{array}
```

	LDI	R20,0x00	R20 = 0
	OUT	DDRB,R20	;Port B = input
	CLR	R16	;R16 = 0
	CLR	R17	;R17 = 0
	CLR	R18	;R18 = 0
	IN	R20, PINB	
	CPI	R20,75	;compare R20 (PORTB) and 75
	BRSH	SAME_HI	
			;executes when R20 < 75
	MOV	R18,R20	
	RJMP	CNTNU	
SAME_HI:			;executes when R20 >= 75
	BRNE	HI	
	MOV	R16,R20	; executes when R20 = 75
	RJMP	CNTNU	
HI:			;executes when R20 > 75
	MOV	R17,R20	
CNTNU:		-	

### **BRGE** and **BRLT** instructions

- The BRGE makes decisions based on the S flag.
  - If S = 0 (which, after the CP instruction for signed numbers, means that the left-hand operand of the CP instruction was greater than or equal to the righthand operand) the BRGE instruction branches in a forward or backward direction relative to program counter.
- The BRLT is like the BRGE, but it branches when S = 1.
- Notice that the BRGE, and the BRLT are used with signed numbers.

### **BRVS** and **BRVC** instructions

- The BRVC and BRVS instructions :
  - let you check the value of the V flag and change the flow of the program if overflow has occurred.

Write a program to add two signed numbers. The numbers are in R21 and R22. The program should store the result in R21. If the result is not correct, the program should put 0xAA on PORTA and clear R21.

```
LDI
           R21,0xFA
                           :R21 = 0xFA
     LDI
           R22,0x05
                            R22 = 0x05
          R23,0xFF
     LDI
                           R23 = 0xFF
     OUT DDRA, R23
                         ; Port A is output
           R21,R22
     ADD
                        :R21 = R21 + R22
     BRVC
           NEXT
                          ;if V = 0 ( no error) then go to next
     LDI
           R23,0xAA
                           ;R23 = 0xAA
     OUT
          PORTA, R23
                         ;send 0xAA to PORTA
           R21,0x00
     LDI
                           ;clear R21
NEXT: ...
```

### **BRPL** and **BRMI** instruction

- BRPL and BRMI for checking N flag.
- BRPL (branch if plus) really means ``branch only if the N flag is cleared'.
- BRMI (branch if minus) really means ``branch only if the N flag is set.

# Logic operation and application

# Logic and Compare Instruction

### <u>AND</u>

```
AND Rd, Rr; Rd = Rd AND Rr
ANDI Rd, K; Rd = Rd AND K
```

- The AND instructions can affect Z, S and N flags.
- The AND instructions are often used to mask certain bits of an operand.

```
LDI R20, 0x35 35H = 0011 \ 0101
ANDI R20, 0x0F 0FH = 0000 \ 1111
0000 0101
```

[masking upper nibble]

# Logic and Compare Instruction

### <u>OR</u>

```
OR Rd, Rr ; Rd = Rd OR Rr 
ORI Rd, K ; Rd = Rd OR K
```

- OR instructions affects the Z, S and N flags.
- The OR instructions can be used to set certain bits of an operand to 1, for example

```
LDI R20, 0x04
ORI R20, 0x30 ; now R20 will be 34H
```

(a) Show the results of the following:

```
LDI R20,0x04 ; R20 = 04
ORI R20,0x30 ; now R20 = 34H
```

(b) Assume that PB2 is used to control an outdoor light, and PB5 to control a light inside a building. Show how to turn "on" the outdoor light and turn "off" the inside one.

```
(a)
           04H
                    0000 0100
                   0011 0000
     OR
           30H
                   0011 0100 04 OR 30 = 34H, Z = 0 and N = 0
           34H
(b)
           DDRB, 2
                        ;bit 2 of Port B is output
     SBI
           DDRB, 5
                           ;bit 5 of Port B is output
     SBI
           R20, PORTB
                             ; move PORTB to R20. (Notice that we read
     IN
                             ; the value of PORTB instead of PINB
                             ; because we want to know the last value
                             ; of PORTB, not the value of the AVR
                             ; chip pins.)
     ORI
           R20, 0b00000100
                             ;set bit 2 of R20 to one
           R20, 0b11011111
                            ; clear bit 5 of R20 to zero
     ANDI
           PORTB, R20
     OUT
                             ;out R20 to PORTB
```

# Logic and Compare Instruction

### **EOR**

```
EOR Rd, Rs; Rd = Rd XOR Rs
```

- The EX-OR will affect the Z, S and N flags
- EX-OR can be used to check whether the values in two registers are equal or not

```
OVER: IN R20, PORTB
LDI R21, 0x45
EOR R20, R21
```

- Another widely used application of EX-OR is to toggle the bits of an operand.
  - EOR RO, R20 ;and R20 is initialized with 0xFF

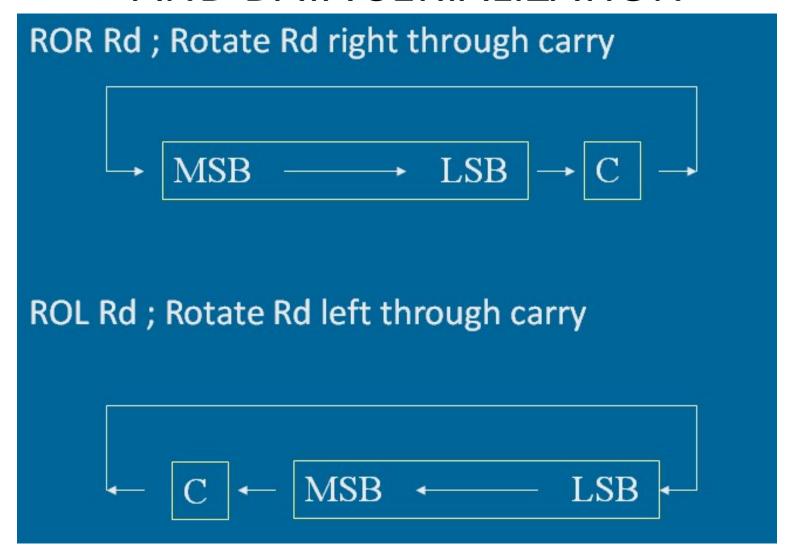
Read and test PORTB to see whether it has the value 45H. If it does, send 99H to PORTC; otherwise, it is cleared.

```
R20.0xFF ; R20 = 0xFF
     LDI
           DDRC, R20 ; Port C is output
     OUT
           R20,0x00
                       ;R20 = 0
     LDI
           DDRB,R20
                       :Port B is input
     OUT
                      ; PORTC = 00
           PORTC, R20
     OUT
                       :R21 = 45
           R21,0x45
     LDI
HERE:
                       ; get a byte
           R20, PINB
     IN
                        ;EX-OR with 0x45
           R20, R21
     EOR
                        :branch if PORTB has value other than 45
     BRNE
           HERE
                        ;R20 = 0x99
     LDI
           R20,0x99
           PORTC, R20
                        : PORTC = 99h
     OUT
                        ;stop here
           EXIT
EXIT: JMP
```

### Few Other Logical Instructions

- COM (Complement) COM R20; 1's complement
   NEG (Negative) NEG R20; 2's complement
   CP (Compare) CP Rd, Rr;
- Compare is same as subtraction except that compare does not change the register
- There is also compare with constant value
   CPI Rd, K

# ROTATE AND SHIFT INSTRUCTIONS AND DATA SERIALIZATION



# Example

```
; make C = 0 (carry is 0)
CLC
                        ;R20 = 0010 0110
LDI
            R20,0x26
                        ;R20 = 0001 0011 C = 0
            R20
ROR
                        ;R20 = 0000 1001 C = 1
            R20
ROR
                        ;R20 = 1000 0100 C = 1
            R20
ROR
                          ; make C = 1
SEC
             R20,0x15
                          ;R20 = 0001 0101
LDI
                          ;R20 = 0010 1011 C = 0
             R20
ROL
                          ;R20 = 0101 \ 0110 \ C = 0
ROL
             R20
                          ;R20 = 1010 1100 C = 0
             R20
 ROL
                          ;R20 = 0101 1000 C = 1
             R20
ROL
```

## Serializing data

- Using the serial port.
- The second method of serializing data is to transfer data one bit at a time and control the sequence of data and spaces between them.
- In many new generations of devices, the serial versions are becoming popular because they take up less space on a printed circuit board.

## Serializing a byte of data

- Serializing data is one of the most widely used applications of the rotate instruction.
- We can use the rotate instruction to transfer a byte of data serially (one bit at a time).
  - Shift instructions can be used for the same job.

Write a program to transfer the value 41H serially (one bit at a time) via pin PB1. Pu one high at the start and end of the data. Send the LSB first.

```
.INCLUDE "M32DEF.INC"
          DDRB, 1
                     ;bit 1 of Port B is output
     SBI
          R20,0x41
                          :R20 = the value to be sent
     LDI
     CLC
                        ;clear carry flag
                      ;R16 = 8
     LDI
          R16, 8
     SBI
          PORTB, 1 ;bit 1 of PORTB is 1
AGAIN:
                     ;rotate right R20 (send LSB to C flag)
          R20
     ROR
     BRCS ONE
                       ;if C = 1 then go to ONE
                       ;bit 1 of PORTB is cleared to zero
     CBI
          PORTB, 1
     JMP
          NEXT
                         ; go to NEXT
          PORTB, 1
                         ;bit 1 of PORTB is set to one
ONE:
     SBI
NEXT:
                         ;decrement R16
          R16
     DEC
                         ; if R16 is not zero then go to AGAIN
     BRNE
          AGAIN
          PORTB, 1
                         ;bit 1 of PORTB is set to one
     SBI
HERE: JMP
          HERE
                          ;RB1 = high
```

Write a program to bring in a byte of data serially via pin RC7 and save it in R20 register. The byte comes in with the LSB first.

```
. INCLUDE
           "M32DEF.INC"
           DDRC, 7
                       ;bit 7 of Port C is input
     CBI
                     ;R16 = 8
           R16, 8
     LDI
           R20, 0
                       ;R20 = 0
     LDI
AGAIN:
                       ; skip the next line if bit 7 of Port C is 0
           PINC, 7
     SBIC
                       ; set carry flag to one
     SEC
                       ; skip the next line if bit 7 of Port C is 1
           PINC, 7
     SBIS
                       ; clear carry flag to zero
     CLC
                       ;rotate right R20. move C flag to MSB of R21
           R20
     ROR
                       :decrement R16
      DEC
           R16
                       ;if R16 is not zero go to AGAIN
     BRNE
           AGAIN
                       ;stop here
HERE: JMP
           HERE
```

Write a program that finds the number of 1s in a given byte.

```
"M32DEF.INC"
. INCLUDE
           R20, 0x97
     LDI
          R30, 0 ; number of 1s
     LDI
           R16, 8 ; number of bits in a byte
     LDI
AGAIN:
                       ;rotate right R20 and move LSB to C flag
           R20
     ROR
                       ;if C = 0 then go to NEXT
     BRCC
           NEXT
                       :increment R30
           R30
     INC
NEXT:
                       ;decrement R16
     DEC
           R16
           AGAIN
                       ; if R16 is not zero then go to AGAIN
     BRNE
                       ; one more time to leave R20 unchanged
           R20
     ROR
HERE: JMP
           HERE
                       ;stop here
```

Assume that R20 has the number 48. Show how we can use ROR to divide R20 by 8.

; to divide a number by 8 we can

```
; shift it 3 bits to the right. without
                 :LSR we have to ROR 3 times and
                 ; clear carry flag before
                 :each rotation
                ;R20 = 0011 0000 (48)
     R20,0x30
LDI
                 ; clear carry flag
CLC
                 ;R20 = 0001 1000 (24)
ROR
     R20
                 ; clear carry flag
CLC
                 ;R20 = 0000 1100 (12)
ROR
     R20
               ;clear carry flag
CLC
               R20 = 0000 0110 (6)
ROR
      R20
                ;48 divided by 8 is 6 and
                 ; the answer is correct
```

(a) Find the contents of the R20 register in the following code.

```
LDI R20, 0x72
SWAP R20
```

(b) In the absence of a SWAP instruction, how would you exchange the nibbles? Write a simple program to show the process.

```
(a)
      LDI
            R20, 0x72
                              ;R20 = 0x72
      SWAP
            R20
                               ;R20 = 0x27
(b)
      LDI
            R20,0x72
      LDI
            R16,4
      LDI
            R21,0
BEGIN:
      CLC
      ROL
            R20
            R21
      ROL
      DEC
            R16
      BRNE
          BEGIN
      OR
            R20, R21
HERE: JMP
            HERE
```

### BCD (binary coded decimal) number system

- BCD stands for binary coded decimal.
- BCD is needed because in everyday life we use the digits 0 to 9 for numbers, not binary or hex numbers.
- Binary representation of 0 to 9 is called BCD.
- Two terms for BCD numbers:
  - unpacked BCD
  - packed BCD

### Unpacked BCD

- In unpacked BCD, the lower 4 bits of the number represent the BCD number, and the rest of the bits are 0. For example, "0000 1001" and "0000 0101" are unpacked BCD for 9 and 5, respectively.
- Unpacked BCD requires 1 byte of memory, or an 8-bit register, to contain it.

### Packed BCD

- In packed BCD, a single byte has two BCD numbers in it: one in the lower 4 bits, and one in the upper 4 bits. For example, "0101 1001" is packed BCD for 59H.
- Only 1 byte of memory is needed to store the packed BCD operands.
- It is twice as efficient in storing data.

- On ASCII keyboards, when the key "0" is activated, "0011 0000" (30H) is provided to the computer. Similarly, 31H (0011 0001) is provided for key "1", and so on.
- BCD numbers are universal, although ASCII is standard in the United States (and many other countries).
- Because the keyboard, printers, and monitors all use ASCII, how does data get converted from ASCII to BCD and vice versa?

### Packed BCD to ASCII conversion

- In many systems we have what is called a realtime clock (RTC).
  - The RTC provides the time of day (hour, minute, second) and the date (year, month, day) continuously, regardless of whether the power is on or off.
  - This data, however, is provided in packed BCD.
  - For this data to be displayed on a device such as an LCD, or to be printed by the printer, it must be in ASCII format

Packe	ed	BCD
29H		
0010	10	01

Assume that R20 has packed BCD. Write a program to convert the packed BCD to two ASCII numbers and place them in R21 and R22.

```
"M32DEF.INC"
. INCLUDE
                       ; the packed BCD to be converted is 29
           R20,0x29
     LDI
                       ;R21 = R20 = 29H
           R21, R20
     MOV
                       ;mask the upper nibble (R21 = 09H)
     ANDI R21,0x0F
                       ;make it ASCII (R21 = 39H)
           R21,0x30
     ORI
                       ;R22 = R20 = 29H
           R22,R20
     VOM
                       ;swap nibbles (R22 = 92H)
     SWAP
           R22
                       ;mask the upper nibble (R22 = 02)
          R22,0x0F
     ANDI
                       ;make it ASCII (R22 = 32H)
           R22,0x30
     ORI
           HERE
HERE: JMP
```

# ASCII to packed BCD

- To convert ASCII to packed BCD, you first convert it to unpacked BCD, and then combine it to make packed BCD.
  - For example, for 4 and 7 the keyboard gives 34 and 37, respectively.
    - The goal is to produce 47H or "0100 0111", which is packed BCD.

## ASCII to packed BCD

```
LDI
     R21,'4'
                 ;load character 4 to R21
     R22,'7'
LDI
                ;load character 7 to R22
     R21,0x0F
ANDI
                 ;mask upper nibble of R21
SWAP
     R21
                 ; swap nibbles of R21
                 ;to make upper nibble of packed BCD
ANDI
     R22,0x0F
                 ; mask upper nibble of R22
OR
     R22,R21
                 ; join R22 and R21 to make packed BCD
     R20,R22
                ; move the result to R20
MOV
```