CS2100 Computer Organization Tutorial 1: C and Number Systems (Week 3: 26 Aug – 30 Aug 2024)

1. In 2's complement representation, "sign extension" is used when we want to represent an n-bit signed integer as an m-bit signed integer, where m > n. We do this by copying the MSB (most significant bit) of the n-bit number m - n times to the left of the n-bit number to create the m-bit number.

For example, we want to sign-extend 0110_{2s} to an 8-bit number. Here n = 4, m = 8, and thus we copy the MSB bit 0 four (8 - 4) times, giving 00000110_{2s} .

Similarly, if we want to sign-extend 1010_{2s} to an 8-bit number, we would get 11111010_{2s}.

2. We generalize (r-1)'s-complement (also called *radix diminished complement*) to include fraction as follows:

$$(r-1)$$
's complement of $N = r^n - r^{-m} - N$

where n is the number of integer digits and m the number of fractional digits. (If there are no fractional digits, then m = 0 and the formula becomes $r^n - 1 - N$ as given in class.)

For example, the 1's complement of 011.01 is $(2^3 - 2^{-2}) - 011.01 = (1000 - 0.01) - 011.01 = 111.11 - 011.01 = 100.10$. (Since 011.01 represents the decimal value 3.25 in 1's complement, this means that -3.25 is represented as 100.10 in 1's complement.)

Perform the following binary subtractions of values represented in 1's complement representation by using addition instead. (Note: Recall that when dealing with complement representations, the two operands must have the same number of digits.)

- (a) 0101.11 010.0101
- (b) 010111.101 0111010.11

Is sign extension used in your working? If so, highlight it.

Check your answers by converting the operands and answers to their actual decimal values.

- 3. Convert the following numbers to fixed-point binary in 2's complement, with 4 bits for the integer portion and 3 bits for the fraction portion.
 - (a) 1.75
- (b) -2.5
- (c) 3.876
- (d) 2.1

Using the binary representations you have derived, convert them back into decimal. Comment on the compromise between range and accuracy of the fixed-point binary system.

- 4. How would you represent the decimal value -0.078125 in the IEEE 754 single-precision representation? Express your answer in hexadecimal. Show your working.
- 5. Given the partial C program shown below, complete the two functions: readArray() to read data into an integer array (with at most 10 elements) and reverseArray() to reverse the array. For reverseArray(), you are to provide two versions: an iterative version and a recursive version. For the recursive version, you may write an auxiliary/driver function to call the recursive function.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define MAX 10
int readArray(int [], int);
void printArray(int [], int);
void reverseArray(int [], int);
int main(void) {
   int array[MAX], numElements;
   numElements = readArray(array, MAX);
   reverseArray(array, numElements);
   printArray(array, numElements);
   return 0;
}
int readArray(int arr[], int limit) {
   printf("Enter up to %d integers, terminating with a negative
integer.\n", limit);
   // ...
void reverseArray(int arr[], int size) {
   // ...
void printArray(int arr[], int size) {
   int i;
   for (i=0; i<size; i++) {</pre>
      printf("%d ", arr[i]);
   printf("\n");
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6. Trace the following program manually (do not run it on a computer) and write out its output. When you present your solution, draw diagrams to explain.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void) {
    int a = 3, *b, c, *d, e, *f;

    b = &a;
    *b = 5;
    c = *b * 3;
    d = b;
    e = *b + c;
    *d = c + e;
    f = &e;
    a = *f + *b;
    *f = *d - *b;

printf("a = %d, c = %d, e = %d\n", a, c, e);
printf("*b = %d, *d = %d, *f = %d\n", *b, *d, *f);

return 0;
}
```

Remember to post on the Canvas forum or QnA if you have any queries.