

Lab 2.3.3 Finding positive powers of 2

Objectives

Improve the student's skills in:

- using the for loop;
- understanding integer type representation ranges.

Scenario

As powers of ten play an important role in the real lives of humans, powers of two are significant in computers' lives. Can you enumerate the first few powers of two? It's easy at the beginning: 1, 2, 4, 8,.. but it gets complicated very soon and you'll need some time to find the next number.

This is a good reason to use a computer instead of our brains.

Write a program which shows the n-th power of two (n will be the input for the program). We'll use the following assumptions:

- the largest value of *n* to take into consideration is 63, as unsigned long integers use exactly 64 bits to represent their values (note: a value of 2ⁿ needs n+1 bits can you explain why?);
- we won't use any actual exponentiation we're going to substitute it with repeated multiplications.

Write a program that implements the task described above.

Test your code using the data we've provided.

Example input

8

Example output

256

Example input

16

Example output

65536

Example input

32

Example output

4294967296

Example input

63

Example output

9223372036854775808