# CPSC 213 – Assignment 1

# Numbers and Memory

**Due:** Friday, September 15th, 2017 at 11:59pm

After a 12-hour grace period, no late assignments will be accepted.

#### **Overview**

One preliminary goal for this assignment is for you to familiarize yourself with the computing environment we will be using this term. You will learn about the UNIX command line, how to transfer files to the department UNIX servers, and how to submit assignments using the *handin* program. You will also setup an Eclipse or IntelliJ project for the *Simple Machine* processor simulator.

The assignment consists of five parts. The marks for each part and for each question within the parts are listed as a percentage as like this [xx%].

It is strongly encouraged that you to do assignments with a partner (just one). See the *How to Hand In* Section for important details on how you do this.

#### What You Need to Do

#### Part 1: The UNIX Command Line

You can get a UNIX Command Line (i.e., a shell) in one of three ways.

- 1. You can login to one of the department server machines directly in the lab or remotely from your on machine. To do this from the Mac use *ssh*. To do this from Windows use *putty* or *xshell*.
- 2. If you have a Mac (or run Linux) you can get a shell directly on your computer.
- 3. If you run Windows there is a poor version of a UNIX-like environment that you can use, but it isn't great. Its call *Cygwin* and must be installed separately. Windows 10 provides a *bash* command-line directly without Cygwin using an optional module that must be downloaded. Non of these configurations are recommended.

Pick your environment. Then do the following.

- 1. Create a file called HelloWorld.java and edit it so that it will print "Hello World" when it *runs*. You'll do this by creating a static method called *main* that prints that string.
- 2. Compile this class from the command line using the javac command.
- 3. Run this class from the command line using the java command.
- 4. Follow the instructions in the last section to use *handin* to submit what you've done so far. Then use *handin* again to verify that your code was submitted properly. The goal here is to workout the process of running *handin*. You'll run *handin* again later when you finish the rest of the assignment.

#### Part 2: Install the Simple Machine

Most you will want to use IntelliJ to edit and run the simple machine simulator. It is also possible to use Eclipse or another other IDE or editor you like (emacs and vi are possibilities).

To install the simulator in IntelliJ, download:

• www.ugrad.cs.ubc.ca/~cs213/cur/resources/sm-student-213-intellij.zip

To install in Eclipse, download

• www.ugrad.cs.ubc.ca/~cs213/cur/resources/sm-student-213-eclipse.zip.

Then follow instructions in *Companion Section B.1* for IntelliJ or *B.2* for Eclipse.

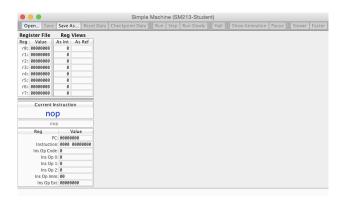
To use an IDE other than IntelliJ or Eclipse, unpack one of these zip files to select the files SimpleMachineStudent.jar, SimpleMachineStudentSrc.zip, and SimpleMachineStudentDoc213.zip. Then install them into your IDE. The first file contains jar files you need to include in your path, the second contains the source of the simulator, and the third its Java Doc.

Finally, download the solution / reference implementation of the simulator from

• www.ugrad.cs.ubc.ca/~cs213/cur/resources/SimpleMachine213.jar.

Save this file for later assignments. *Companion Section B.5* describes how to run this version. You can, for example, run it from the UNIX command line by typing:

Now, check to see whether your installation was successful by following the instructions in Companion Section B.4 to run the simulator. If all went well, the simulator will start and show a window like this:



#### Part 3: Endianness and Hex Questions [20%]

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00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F
7000 73 C3 DA 3D 53 78 13 C7 F4 02 7D 2D 41 A0 C8 4B
7010 18 8D 25 06 9A FC 35 70 87 BO 32 EF 41 1B 63 6C
7020 5D 29 FE 43 A7 B4 26 06 6D A4 46 84 C8 1B 48 75
7030 57 C2 3E 78 C7 09 22 37 82 4B 0A CC 37 53 7B 34
7040 64 07 A3 76 21 ED DE B2 21 B2 50 3A CE 12 4D E1
7050 52 45 AD OA FD 5C 8D E7 15 EB 65 E6 05 6D 5E 02
7060 08 FD 01 2D 4D 70 A2 69 E1 66 13 56 B4 30 FF A1
7070 04 21 C3 18 EE B9 3C 5B B0 37 0E C2 CA F8 4E 3A
7080 6C 53 AC F3 4D D6 2B D2 57 C8 C6 C7 BD 5D E2 FD
7090 EE 73 04 65 9B 8F 58 CO A4 70 90 60 B1 2C 52 A6
70A0 A0 D7 1F 68 0F 0C 18 F4 8A 52 5F 1F 0E 1E 81 5E
70B0 7F 7E 4F E3 35 F6 34 91 0A D4 97 F7 FB 24 AE 0E
70C0 6E 5E 9E 20 19 75 B5 60 BC 66 74 91 BE FF 7A 5A
70D0 7E 7C E4 CE 37 43 0B DA 6D 0D 45 9E 0C C9 4A 6B
70E0 94 D9 4C 83 F5 82 66 7F 88 92 8A 9E 80 4A 8A C9
70F0 37 45 BD 09 EA B9 A9 75 29 80 5D C3 EC 41 CD 62
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Table 1: Contents of Memory from Address 0x7000 to

#### Answer these questions.

- 1. [4%] What is the value (in hex) of the little-endian, 4-byte integer stored at location 0x703C in Table 1?
- 2. [4%] What is the value (in hex) of the big-endian, 8-byte long stored at location 0x70E0 in the table above?
- 3. [4%] Give an example of a 4-byte integer whose big- and little-endian representations are identical. Can you generalize this example?
- 4. [8%] The Hubble Space Telescope labels the image data it collects with sky positions using *right ascension / declination* coordinates. It downloads this data as binary files that are accessible on the Internet. You've decided that you'd like to take an up-close look at *Proxima Centauri*, the nearest star to earth after the sun, whose position is RA 14h 29m 42.9s, D -62 40 46.1

Hubble image files encode position coordinates using two 4-byte integers, one for right ascension and the other for declination. And so the position of *Proximate Centauri* would be labeled as RA=521,829 and D=-2,207,359.

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RA = 14 * 36000 + 29 * 600 + 42.9 * 10 = 521,829
D = -62 * 36000 + 40 * 600 + 46.1 * 10 = -2,207,359
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So you write a program to download a portion of the Hubble dataset and search it for images containing these coordinates. You discover, however, that Hubble apparently never took any images of *Proximate Centauri*. You call the head of NASA to complain bitterly. She tells

you that they have taken thousands of pictures of *Proxima Centauri* and suggest that perhaps you are an idiot.

Then you note that the computer on the Hubble that generated the coordinates is the DF-224 manufactured by Rockwell Autonetics in the 1980's and the computer on which your program is running uses an Intel Core i7 processor that you recently purchased — and then you realize that something you learned in CPSC 213 might actually be useful.

What did you realize and what are the correct values of the two integers that you should use in your program to search for *Proxima Centauri*?

HINT: Use a calculator or a program to convert the numbers 521,829 and -2,207,359 to hex. Then think about how you might need to manipulate these hex values. You can give your answer in hex or convert it back to decimal; your choice. To print the hex value of a number in Java:

System.out.printf(" $0x%x\n$ ", i);

#### Part 4: Programming Test of Endianness [30%]

Download the file www.ugrad.cs.ubc.ca/~cs213/cur/assignments/a1/code.zip. It contains the skeleton of an executable Java class in the file Endianness.java. Place this file directory on a UNIX machine (e.g., one of the lab machines, a Mac, or Windows running Cygwin) and compile it from the UNIX command line like this:

javac Endianness.java

You can now run this program from the command line. The program takes four command-line arguments. These arguments are the values of four consecutive bytes (in hex) of memory from which the program will construct both big-endian and the little-endian integers. For example, to see the value of the integer whose byte values are 0x01, 0x02, 0x03, and 0x04, in that order, you would type:

java Endiannness 1 2 3 4

[25%] Write the code that transforms this memory into integers by replacing the TODOs with an implementation of bigEndianValue and littleEndianValue.

[5%] Test your program carefully by calling it from the command line with various memory values. Ensure that your tests provide good coverage and be sure to include some tests with bytes that have bit-eight set to 1 (e.g., 0xff or 0x80). Your mark here will be based the list of tests you ran, as described in the provided P4.txt file.

### Part 5: Implement the Simple Machine MainMemory Class [50%]

Like a real processor, the simulator has a memory and a CPU. You will implement both of them as java classes. This week you will implement the memory.

Some portions of the memory are already implemented. Your job is to implement and test the five methods of MainMemory.java labeled with TODO's. You will find this file in your Eclipse environment in the arch.sm213.machine.student package.

[35%] Implement the following methods.

- [10%] isAddressAligned that determines whether an address is aligned.
- [10%] bytestoInteger and integerToBytes that translate between an array of bytes and a *big endian* integer. You can use your solution to Part 2 for this.
- [15%] get and set that provide array-of-byte access to memory used by the CPU to fetch and to store data. Follow the specification listed in the javadoc comments carefully. Note, for example, that the address provided to these methods is not required to be aligned.

[15%] Create a set of JUnit tests to test your implementation. Place all of your tests in a class named MainMemoryTest in the same package as the MainMemory class. Note that you will not actually be able to run the simulator itself yet beyond the initial screen, because you will still lack a CPU implementation.

Ensure that your tests provide good test coverage for each of five methods you implemented. Comment each test to explain what it is testing.

## **Summary of What to Hand In**

Create a directory named a1 that contains the following files:

- 1. README.txt that contains the name and student number of you and your partner
- 2. PARTNER.txt containing your partner's CS login id and nothing else (i.e., the 4- or 5- digit id in the form a0z1). Your partner should not submit anything.
- 3. HelloWorld.java
- 4. Q1.txt ... Q4.txt containing your answers to Questions 1-4, respectively.
- 5. Endianness.java your solution to Part 4.
- 6. P4.txt containing your test description for Part 4.
- 7. MainMemory.java your MainMemory solution
- 8. MainMemoryTest.java your JUnit tests for Part 5.

Be sure this directory contains these files and nothing else and then follow the instructions in the next section to submit your assignment.

#### How to Hand In

You must use a program called handin to submit your assignment. To use this program you need a CS login id. If you don't have one you must get one. Your partner needs one too. To get a CS id following the online instructions here:

www.cs.ubc.ca/students/undergrad/services/account.

You should run handin program from the UNIX command line. Instructions for using the command-line version are here:

my.cs.ubc.ca/docs/handin-instructions

As indicated in the instructions, place your assignment files in a directory called a1.

You can hand in as many times as you want up to the grace-period deadline. The last hand in wins.

The instructions also tell you how to very that your hand in was successful. You should always double check.

The hand-in script will perform certain automated marking tasks and assign a tentative mark for certain parts of the assignment. But, since automated marking has limitations, TAs will review these automated marks and make corrections where appropriate.