

Announcements

- Assignment I
 - *Cellular Automata* with strings in C
 - Due 5:00 p.m., Friday, September 26
- Test I
 - Friday, September 26
 - Covers up to Lecture 8

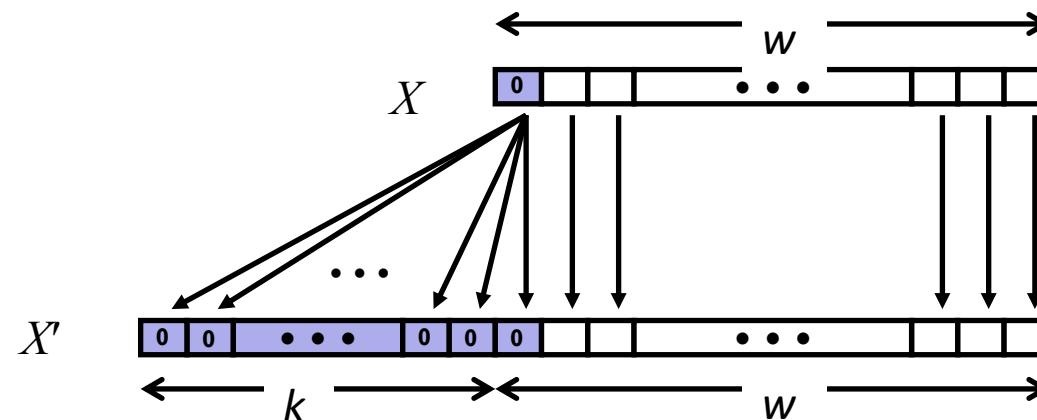
Lecture 8

Expansion and Trunction

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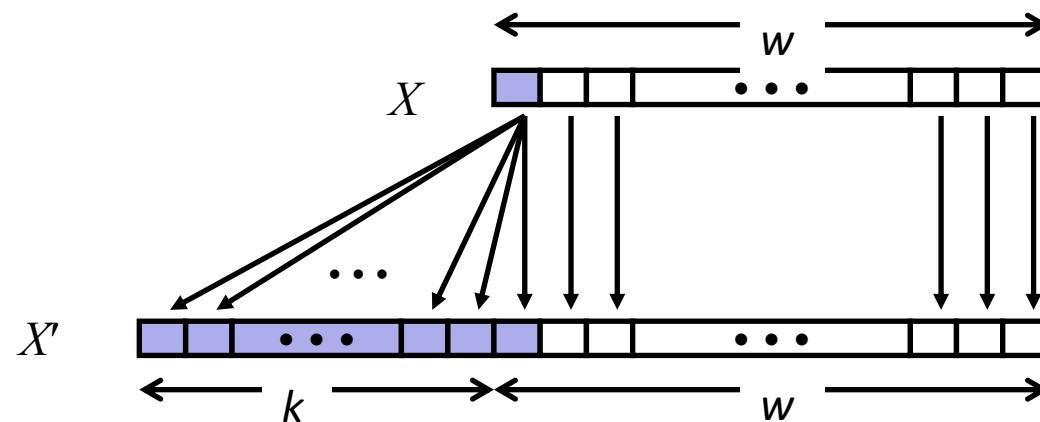
Expanding Bit Representation

- Conversion between integers having different word sizes
 - Must retain the same numeric value
 - May not be possible when the destination data type is too small
 - Conversion from a smaller to a larger data type always be possible
- For unsigned integers, add leading zeros (zero extension):



Sign Extension

- Conversion between integers having different word sizes
 - Must retain the same numeric value
 - May not be possible when the destination data type is too small
 - Conversion from a smaller to a larger data type always be possible
- For two's complement integers, add the sign bit (sign extension):



Sign Extension Example

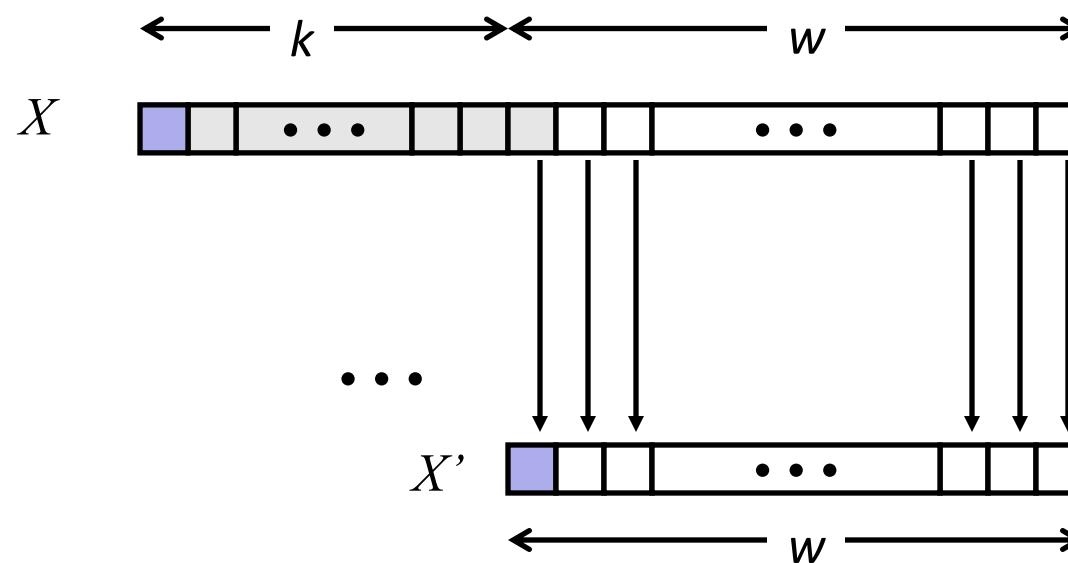
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short int x = 15213;  
int ix = (int) x;  
short int y = -15213;  
int iy = (int) y;
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	Decimal	Hex	Binary
x	15213	3B 6D	00111011 01101101
ix	15213	00 00 3B 6D	00000000 00000000 00111011 01101101
y	-15213	C4 93	11000100 10010011
iy	-15213	FF FF C4 93	11111111 11111111 11000100 10010011

- Converting from smaller to larger integer data type
- C automatically performs sign extension

Truncation

- Task:
 - Given $k+w$ -bit signed or unsigned integer X
 - Convert it to w -bit integer X' with same value for “small enough” X
- Rule:
 - Drop top k bits:
 - $X' = x_{w-1}, x_{w-2}, \dots, x_0$



Truncation Example

No sign change

	-16	8	4	2	1
2 =	0	0	0	1	0

	-8	4	2	1
2 =	0	0	1	0

	-16	8	4	2	1
-6 =	1	1	0	1	0

	-8	4	2	1
-6 =	1	0	1	0

Sign change

	-16	8	4	2	1
10 =	0	1	0	1	0

	-8	4	2	1
-6 =	1	0	1	0

	-16	8	4	2	1
-10 =	1	0	1	1	0

	-8	4	2	1
6 =	0	1	1	0

Expanding, Truncating: Basic Rules

- Expanding (e.g., `short int` **to** `int`)
 - Unsigned: zeros added
 - Signed: sign extension
 - Both yield expected result
- Truncating (e.g., `unsigned` **to** `unsigned short`)
 - Unsigned/signed: bits are truncated
 - Result reinterpreted
 - For small (in magnitude) numbers yields expected behavior

