

BLG 231E - Digital Circuits

Assignment 1

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Part 1 – Computer Arithmetic

1. A and B are two 8-bit binary integers, and $B = 1101\ 1001$. For the operation $A - B$, answer the following questions:

a. If A and B are *signed* binary integers, what are the i) largest and ii) smallest decimal values of A that yield valid results (that can be represented using 8 bits) after the operation? Explain your answer briefly.

Solution: a. i) The signed integers are in between -128, 127 so the result of the $A-B$ should be in between these values, if the value of $A-B$ is not in between these values, the overflow will occur. Also, A should be between the range of -128 to 127. So to find the largest value of A that yield valid results, we have to find the value of A in the case of $A-B$ is equal to 127;

$$B=11011001 \text{ } 2\text{'s complement} > 00100111 = (2^5*1) + (2^2*1) + (2^1*1) + (2^0*1) = 39$$

So $B = -39$

$$-128 \leq A - B < 127 \text{ } \text{-----} \quad -128 \leq A + 39 \leq 127 \quad \text{also} \quad -128 \leq A \leq 127$$

$$A - B = +127 \text{ } \text{-----} > \quad A = B + 127$$

The largest decimal value of A is +88.

Solution: 1. a. ii) To find the smallest value A that yield valid results, $A-B$ should be smallest, but at the same time the A need to be between the range of -128 to 127.

$$-128 \leq A - B < 127 \text{ } \text{-----} \quad -128 \leq A + 39 \leq 127 \quad \text{also} \quad -128 \leq A \leq 127$$

A can get the smallest value in range of -128:127 which is -128, because it also fits to $-128 < A - B < 127$

The smallest decimal value of A is -128.

b. Write the binary representation for the largest value of the signed **A** you found in **(a.i)**. Carry out the binary operation **A - B** using **2's complement**, and show that the result is valid using binary numbers only.

Solution: 1. b.)

$$A - B = A + B + 1$$

$$B = 11011001 \quad B = 00100110 \quad B + 1 = 00100111$$

$ \begin{array}{r} 01011000 : +88 \rightarrow A \\ 11011001 : -39 \rightarrow B \quad \text{2's complement} \\ \hline - \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 01011000 : +88 \rightarrow A \\ 00100111 : 39 \rightarrow B + 1 \\ \hline + \\ 01111111 : 127 \end{array} $
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The result is valid

c. If **A** and **B** are *unsigned* binary integers, what are the **i)** largest and **ii)** smallest binary values of **A** that yield valid results after the operation? Explain your answer briefly.

Solution: 1. c.) The unsigned binary numbers are in the range of 0 to 255, so the **A** and **A-B** need to be in range of 0 to 255.

$$B = 11011001 \quad \text{2's complement} \rightarrow 00100111 = (2^5 * 1) + (2^2 * 1) + (2^1 * 1) + (2^0 * 1) = 39$$

So $B = -39$

$$0 \leq A - B \leq 255 \quad \text{-----} \quad 0 \leq A + 39 \leq 255 \quad \text{also} \quad 0 \leq A \leq 255$$

$$A - B = A + 39 \quad A + 39 = 255 \quad A = 216 \text{ in decimal} \quad A = 011011000$$

The largest binary value of A is 11011000

Smallest value of **A** is "0" since it yields the $0 \leq A - B \leq 255$

$$A = 0 \text{ in decimal} \quad A = 00000000$$

The largest binary value of A is 00000000

2. **A** and **B** are two 8-bit, **signed**, binary integers, and **A = 1011 1100**. If we perform the operation **A + B**,

a. What are the **i)** largest and **ii)** smallest decimal values of B that yield valid results after the operation? Explain your answer briefly.

Solution 2. a. i) **B** and **A+B** should be in between -128 and 127.

$A = 1011\ 1100$ _____ 2's complement _____ $> 01000100 = (2^6 * 1) + (2^2 * 1) = 68$

So A is -68

$$-128 \leq A+B \leq 127 \qquad -128 \leq (-68)+B \leq 127 \qquad \text{also} \qquad -128 \leq B \leq 127$$

Largest value of B is “127” since it yields the $-128 \leq (-68)+B \leq 127$

The largest decimal value of B is 127

Solution 2. a. ii) **B** and **A+B** should be in between -128 and 127

$A = 1011\ 1100$ _____ 2's complement _____ $> 01000100 = (2^6 * 1) + (2^2 * 1) = 68$

So A is -68

$$-128 \leq A+B \leq 127 \qquad -128 \leq (-68)+B \leq 127 \qquad \text{also} \qquad -128 \leq B \leq 127$$

$$-68 + B = -128 \quad B = -60$$

Smallest value of B is “-60” since it yields the $-128 \leq (-68) + B \leq 127$

The smallest decimal value of B is -60

b. Write the binary representation for the smallest value of the signed **B** you found in **(a.ii)**. Perform the binary operation **A + B**, and show that the result is valid using binary numbers only.

Solution 2. b.)

60 = 00111100 1's complement 11000011 :::: 2's complement 11000100

$$-60 = 11000100$$

B=11000100

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10111100 : -68 --> A
11000100 : -60 ---> B
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110000000 -128

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the leftmost 1 is ignored the result is 10000000

The result is valid

Part 2 – Boolean Algebra

3. Simplify the following logic expressions using axioms, properties, and theorems of Boolean algebra.a.

a. $E(a, b, c) = a\bar{b}\bar{c} + ab\bar{c} + abc + \bar{a}bc$

b. $E(a, b, c, d) = \bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{d} + bcd + abc\bar{c} + ab\bar{d} + b\bar{c}\bar{d} + ad + \bar{a}bc$