

CS 24000 - Programming In C

Week 12: Review of
type conversion

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Type conversion

- From unsigned char to int
- From signed char to int
- The result of byte addition and subtraction
 - Unsigned versus signed
 - Assigning to a char versus writing to an int

Unsigned char to int

- Unsigned char is viewed as a nonnegative int
- Hence, when promoted to int, 0's will be padded to the more significant bytes

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int a;
    unsigned char b= 0x80;
    a = b;
    printf("%x\n", a);
    printf("%d\n", a);

}
```

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Signed char to int

- The sign bit will be extended to the higher bits
- A nonnegative signed char has the sign bit 0
- when promoted int will have 0's padded to the more significant bytes

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main() {  
    int a;  
    char b= 0x48;  
    a = b;  
    printf("%x\n", a);  
    printf("%d\n", a);  
}
```

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Signed char to int

- A negative char has sign bit 1
- when promoted int will have 1's padded to the more significant bytes

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main() {
    int a;
    char b= 0x80;
    a = b;
    printf("%x\n", a);
    printf("%d\n", a);
}
```

fffff80

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Int to unsigned char

- truncate

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main() {
    int a = 0x1b0;
    unsigned char b;
```

```
    b = a;
    printf("%x\n", b);
    printf("%c\n", b);
    printf("%d\n", b);
    return 0;
}
```

b0
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Int to unsigned char (cont'd)

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int a = 0xf010;
    unsigned char b;

    b = a;
    printf("%x\n", b);                      10
    printf("%c\n", b);
    printf("%d\n", b);
    return 0;                                16
}
```

Int to signed char

- Truncate

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int a = 0x1b0;
    char b;
    unsigned char c;
b = a;
    printf("%x\n", b);
    printf("%c\n", b);
    printf("%d\n", b);
c = (unsigned char) b; // same w/o (unsigned char)
    printf("%x\n", c);
    printf("%c\n", c);
    printf("%d\n", c);
    return 0;
}
```

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Review and explain byte add/subtract

- Promote to int before add/subtract
- Unsigned byte add/subtract
- Signed byte add/subtract
- Write to char (truncate)
- Write to unsigned char (truncate)
- Write to int (no truncate!)

```
#include <stdio.h>

main() {
    unsigned char ua = 0, ub = -1, ux;
    ux = ua + ub;
    printf("%X\n", ux);
    printf( %d\n", ux);
    return 0;
}
```

ux is 0xFF

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
main() {
```

```
    unsigned char uc = 0, ud =
```

```
    1, uy;
```

```
    uy = uc - ud;
```

```
    printf(" %X\n", uy);      uy is 0XFF
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
main() {
```

```
    unsigned char ua = 0, ub = -1, ux;
```

```
    unsigned char uc = 0, ud = 1, uy;
```

```
    int w, z;
```

```
    w = ua + ub;
```

```
    z = uc - ud;
```

```
    printf("%X\n", w);           w is 0XFF
```

```
    printf("%X\n", z);           z is 0xFFFFFFFF
```

```
    return 0;
```

```
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>

main() {
    unsigned char ua = 0, ub = -1, ux, uf;
    unsigned char uc = 0, ud = 1, uy;
    int z;
    uf = uc - ud;
    z = uf;
    printf("%X\n", z);           z is 0XFF
    return 0;
}
```

Question from Quiz 6

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {

    char a = '\xff';
    int   x;
    x = a << 1;
    printf("%#X\n", x);

    return 0;
}
```

0XFFFFFE

Another left-shift example for signed char

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
main() {
    char a = '\x80';
    unsigned int x;
    x = a << 1;
    printf("x is \t %#X\n",x);
    return 0;
}
```

x is 0XFFFFFF00

- Lesson: cast to unsigned char before left shifting **unless wanting to** use left shift to multiply a number by 2

Right-shift example for signed char

```
#include <stdio.h>

main() {
    char a = '\x80';
    unsigned int x;
    x = a >> 1;
    printf("x is \t %#X\n",x);
    return 0;
}
```

x is 0XFFFFFFC0

- Lesson: cast to unsigned char before shifting unless using right shift to do divide by 2

A bad case of arithmetic right shift

```
#include <stdio.h>

main() {

    char a = '\xff';
    unsigned int x;

    x = a >> 1;

    printf("x is \t %#X\n",x);      x is 0xFFFFFFFF

    return 0;
}
```

Quiz 8 #1

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
main() {
    unsigned char ubig = '\xff';
    int ioverflow;
    ioverflow = ubig + ubig;
    printf("%X\n", ioverflow);
    return 0;
}
```

- What does the program above print (assume 32-bit integer)?
- (a) FF
- (b) FE
- (c) 1FE
- (d) none of the above

- Answer (c) 1FE

Quiz 8 #2

```
#include <stdio.h>

main() {
    char ubig = '\xff';
    int ioverflow;
    ioverflow = ubig + ubig;
    printf("%X\n", ioverflow);
    return 0;
}
```

- What does the program above print (assume 32 bit integer)?
- (a) FE
- (b) FFFFFFFE
- (c) 1FE
- (d) 000001FE
- (e) none of the above

Answer

- (b) FFFFFFFE

```
include <stdio.h>
main() {
    char a = '\x81', b;
    int x;
    x = a + a;
    printf("%X\n", x);
    return 0;
}
```

- What does the program above print (assuming 32-bit integer)?
- (a) 00000162
- (b) FFFFFF02
- (c) 00000002
- (d) 2
- (e) none of the above

Answer

- (b) FFFFFF02

Continue with processes