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### Negative Binary Numbers

- So, how we store a negative a number?
- When a number can represent both positive and negative numbers, it is called a *signed integer*



### Signed Magnitude

- One approach is to use the most significant bit (msb) to represent the negative sign
- If positive, this bit will be a zero
- If negative, this bit will be a 1
- This gives a byte a range of -127 to 127 rather than 0 to 255

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### Signed Magnitude Drawback #1

- When two numbers are added, the system needs to check and sign bits and act accordingly
- For example:
  - · if both numbers are positive, add values
  - · if one is negative subtract it from the other

• etc...

There are also rules for subtracting











### 2's Complement

- Practically all computers use 2's Complement
- Similar to 1's complement, but after the number is inverted, 1 is added to the result
- Logically the same as:
  - subtracting the number from 2<sup>n</sup>
  - where *n* is the total number of bits in the integer

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- · the extra carry 1 (if it exists) is discarded
- this simplifies the hardware considerably since the processor <u>only</u> has to add
- The +1 for negative numbers...
- makes it so there is only <u>one</u> zero
- values range from <u>-128</u> to 127

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### It's Your Responsibility

 In many cases, you must use the correct instruction - based on whether you are treating the data as signed or unsigned

With great programming power comes great responsibility

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### **Relative Addressing Advantages**

- The instruction can just store the *difference* (in bytes) from the current instruction address
- It takes less storage than a full 64-bit address
- It also allows a program to be stored anywhere in memory and it will still work!













- Many processors today provide complex mathematical instructions
- However, the processor <u>only</u> needs to know how to add
- Historically, multiplication was performed with successive additions

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### Multiplying Scenario

- Let's say we have two variables: A and B
- Both contain integers that we need to multiply
- Our processor can *only* add (and subtract using 2's complement)
- How do we multiply the values?

















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### Multiplication Doubles the Bit-Count When two numbers are multiplied, the product will have twice the number of digits Examples: 8-bit × 8-bit → 16-bit 16-bit × 16-bit → 32-bit 32-bit × 32-bit → 64-bit 64-bit × 64-bit → 128-bit

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### Multiplication Doubles the Bit-Count

- So, how do we store the result?
- It is often too large to fit into any single existing register
- Processors can...
  - fit the result in the original bit-size (and raise an overflow if it does not fit)
  - ...or store the new double-sized number



### Add & Subtract

- The Add and Subtract instructions take two operands and store the result in the first operand
- This is the same as the += and -= operators used in Visual Basic .NET, C, C++, Java, etc...



Addition

ADD target, value

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Immediate, Register, Memory











### Multiplication & Division

 The x86 treats multiplication quite differently than add/subtract





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### **Multiplication Review**

- Remember: when two *n* bit • numbers are multiplied, result will be 2n bits
- So...
  - two 8-bit numbers → 16-bit
  - two 16-bit numbers → 32-bit
  - two 32-bit numbers → 64-bit
  - two 64-bit numbers → 128-bit















Immediate, Register, Memory

IMUL (few more combos)

IMUL target, value

Register







### **Extending Unsigned Integers**

- Often in programs, data needs to moved to a integer with a larger number of bits
- For example, an 8-bit number is moved to a 16-bit representation



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### Extending Unsigned Integers

- For unsigned numbers is fairly easy – just add zeros to the left of the number
- This, naturally, is how our number system works anyway: 456 = 000456



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## Extending Signed Integers When the data is stored in a signed integer, the conversion is a little more complex Simply adding zeroes to the left, will *convert* a *negative value to a positive one*Each type of signed representation has its own set of rules

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### Sign Magnitude Extension

- In signed magnitude, the most-significant bit (msb) stores the negative sign
- The <u>new</u> sign-bit needs to have this value
- Rules:
  - copy the old sign-bit to the new sign-bit
  - fill in the rest of the new bits with zeroes *including the old sign bit*

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### Division on the x86

- Division on the x86 is very interesting
- Since multiplication stores into to two registers, divide uses these as the numerator
- Numerator is fixed as:
  - RAX contains the lower 8 bytes
  - RDX contains the upper 8 bytes



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# Dividing Rules The numerator <u>must</u> be expanded to the destination size (twice the original) Why? Multiplication doubles the number of digits; division does the opposite This must be done <u>before</u> the division - otherwise the result will be incorrect



















How Compare Works

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### But... why subtract ? Why subtract the operands? The result can tell you which is larger For example: A and B are both positive... A - B - positive number - A was larger A - B - negative number - B was larger A - B - positive number - B was larger B - B - pero - both numbers are equal



### Flags

- A *flag* is a Boolean value that indicates the result of an action
- These are set by various actions such as calculations, comparisons, etc...



### Flags

- Flags are typically stored as individual bits in the Status Register
- You can't change the register directly, but numerous instructions use it for control and logic



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### Zero Flag (ZF)

- True if the last computation resulted in zero (all bits are 0)
- For compare, the zero flag indicates the two operands are equal
- Used by quite a few conditional jump statements



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### Overflow Flag (OF)

- Also known as "signed carry flag"
- True if the sign bit changed when it shouldn't have
- For example:
  - (negative positive) should be negative a positive result will set the flag
- For signed numbers, it indicates:
  - exceeded the register size
  - i.e. the value was too big/small

### x86 Flags Used by Compare

Name	Description	When True
CF	Carry Flag	If a bit was "carried" or "borrowed" during math.
ZF	Zero Flag	All the bits in the result are zero.
SF	Sign Flag	If the most significant bit is 1.
OF	Overflow Flag	If the sign-bit changed when it shouldn't have.



JE Equal ZF = 1			when true
	JE	Equal	ZF = 1
JNE Not equal ZF = 0	JNE	Not equal	ZF = 0

Jump	Description	When True
JG	Jump Greater than	SF = OF, ZF = 0
JGE	Jump Greater than or Equal	SF = OF
JL	Jump Less than	SF ≠ OF, ZF = 0
JLE	Jump Less than or Equal	SF ≠ OF

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### **Unsigned Jumps** Jump Description When True Jump Above CF = 0, ZF = 0 JA JAE Jump Above or Equal CF = 0 Jump Below CF = 1, ZF = 0 JB CF = 1 JBE Jump Below or Equal