

601.220 Intermediate Programming

Bitwise operations

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A bitwise operator performs a function across all bits in its operands

Bitwise AND - &

Bitwise AND (&) performs logical AND (&&) across all bits:

12 = 00001100 (In Binary)

25 = 00011001 (In Binary)

Bit Operation of 12 and 25

```
  00001100
& 00011001
-----
  00001000 = 8 (In decimal)
```

Bitwise AND - &

```
// bitwise_and.c:
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int a = 12;
    int b = 25;
    printf("%d & %d = %d", a, b, a & b);
    return 0;
}

$ gcc -std=c99 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra bitwise_and.c
$ ./a.out
12 & 25 = 8
```

Bitwise OR - |

Bitwise OR (|) performs logical OR (||) across all bits:

12 = 00001100 (In Binary)

25 = 00011001 (In Binary)

Bitwise OR Operation of 12 and 25

```
  00001100
| 00011001
-----
  00011101 = 29 (In decimal)
```

Bitwise OR - |

```
// bitwise_or.c:
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int a = 12;
    int b = 25;
    printf("%d | %d = %d", a, b, a | b);
    return 0;
}

$ gcc -std=c99 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra bitwise_or.c
$ ./a.out
12 | 25 = 29
```

Bit Shifting Left - <<

$x \ll n$ shifts bits of x to the left N positions

N 0s are “shifted in” at right-hand side

N bits “fall off” left-hand side

25 = 00011001 (In Binary)

Bitwise left-shift of 25 by 5 positions (25 << 5)

0000011001

<< 5

1100100000 = 800 (In decimal)

Bit Shifting Left - <<

```
// bitwise_lshift.c:
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int a = 25;
    int b = 5;
    printf("%d << %d = %d", a, b, a << b);
    return 0;
}

$ gcc -std=c99 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra bitwise_lshift.c
$ ./a.out
25 << 5 = 800
```

Bit Shifting Right - >>

Similar for bitwise right shift (>>)

25 = 00011001 (In Binary)

Bitwise right-shift of 25 by 4 positions (25 >> 4)

0000011001

>> 4

0000000001 = 1

Bit Shifting Right - >>

```
// bitwise_rshift.c:
#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
    int a = 25;
    int b = 4;
    printf("%d >> %d = %d", a, b, a >> b);
    return 0;
}

$ gcc -std=c99 -pedantic -Wall -Wextra bitwise_rshift.c
$ ./a.out
25 >> 4 = 1
```


Bitwise operators

Operator	Description
& bitwise AND	The bits in the result are set to 1 if the corresponding bits in the two operands are both 1.
bitwise inclusive OR	The bits in the result are set to 1 if at least one of the corresponding bits in the two operands is 1.
^ bitwise exclusive OR	The bits in the result are set to 1 if exactly one of the corresponding bits in the two operands is 1.
<< left shift	Shifts the bits of the first operand left by the number of bits specified by the second operand; fill from the right with 0 bits.
>> right shift	Shifts the bits of the first operand right by the number of bits specified by the second operand; the method of filling from the left is machine dependent.
~ one's complement	All 0 bits are set to 1 and all 1 bits are set to 0.

Fig. 10.6 | Bitwise operators.

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More: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bitwise_operation

Zoom poll!

What is the result of `(15 >> 2) || 7`?

A. 7

B. 15

C. 0

D. 1

E. 8