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1 Here the two numbers X and Y are of different signs and the addition $X+Y$ needs to be performed. We thus have to perform the following subtraction:

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{magnitude of } X) - (\text{magnitude of } Y) &= (1011011)_2 - (1101001)_2 \\ &= (1011011)_2 + \text{2's complement of } (1101001) = (1011011)_2 + (0010111)_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1011011 \\ 0010111 \\ \hline 01110010 \end{array}$$

$\hookrightarrow c=0 \Rightarrow \text{result} < 0 \Rightarrow (\text{magnit. of } X) - (\text{magnit. of } Y) < 0$
 $\Rightarrow \text{magnitude of } X < \text{magnitude of } Y.$

So sign bit of result = sign bit of Y = 1 and
 magnitude of $(X+Y) = 2^{\text{2's compl. of }} (1110010) = (0001110).$

$$\text{Thus } X+Y = (10001110)_2 = (-14)_{10}.$$

2 Here multiplier = $(25)_{10} = (11001)_2$; multiplicand = $(30)_{10} = (11110)_2$;
 $n=5$

Initialization $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} C & B & A \\ \hline 0 & 00000 & 11001 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $\hookrightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \text{add multiplicand and shift}$

result of addition $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & & & \\ \hline 0 & 11110 & 11001 \\ \hline \end{array}$

result of 1st cycle $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & & & \\ \hline 0 & 01111 & 01100 \\ \hline \end{array} \hookrightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \text{shift}$

result of 2nd cycle $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & & & \\ \hline 0 & 00111 & 10110 \\ \hline \end{array} \hookrightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \text{shift}$

result of 3rd cycle $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & & & \\ \hline 0 & 00011 & 11011 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $\hookrightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \text{add multiplicand and shift}$

result of addition $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & & & \\ \hline 1 & 00001 & 11011 \\ \hline \end{array}$

result of 4th cycle $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & & & \\ \hline 0 & 10000 & 11101 \\ \hline \end{array}$ $\hookrightarrow 1 \Rightarrow \text{add mult/cand and shift}$

result of addition $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & & & \\ \hline 1 & 01110 & 11101 \\ \hline \end{array}$

result of 5th cycle $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & & & \\ \hline 0 & 10111 & 01110 \\ \hline \end{array}$

$\hookrightarrow \text{product} = (1011101110)_2 = 750$
 $= 30 \times 25.$

③ Here $n=6$; multiplier = $(-27)_{10} = (100101)_2$;
 multiplicand = $(-18)_{10} = (101110)_2$

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Initialization

| B | A | d |
|--------|--------|---|
| 000000 | 100101 | 0 |

+) 010010 $\xrightarrow{1,0}$ \Rightarrow subtr. mult/cnd and then shift

| | | |
|--------|--------|---|
| 010010 | 100101 | 0 |
|--------|--------|---|

result of 1st cycle $\boxed{001001 \ 010010 \ 1}$

+) 101110 $\xrightarrow{0,1}$ \Rightarrow add mult/cnd and then shift

| | | |
|--------|--------|---|
| 110111 | 010010 | 1 |
|--------|--------|---|

result of 2nd cycle $\boxed{111011 \ 101001 \ 0}$

+) 010010 $\xrightarrow{1,0}$ \Rightarrow subtr. mult/cnd and then shift.

| | | |
|--------|--------|---|
| 001110 | 101001 | 0 |
|--------|--------|---|

result of 3rd cycle $\boxed{000110 \ 110100 \ 1}$

+) 101110 $\xrightarrow{0,1}$ \Rightarrow add mult/cnd and then shift

| | | |
|--------|--------|---|
| 110100 | 110100 | 1 |
|--------|--------|---|

result of 4th cycle

| | | |
|--------|--------|---|
| 111010 | 011010 | 0 |
|--------|--------|---|

$\xrightarrow{0,0} \Rightarrow$ shift

result of 5th cycle

| | | |
|--------|--------|---|
| 111101 | 001101 | 0 |
|--------|--------|---|

+) 010010 $\xrightarrow{1,0}$ \Rightarrow subtr. mult/cnd and then shift

| | | |
|--------|--------|---|
| 001111 | 001101 | 0 |
|--------|--------|---|

result of 6th cycle

| | | |
|--------|--------|---|
| 000111 | 100110 | 1 |
|--------|--------|---|

$\xrightarrow{\text{product}} \text{product} = (000111100110)_2$

$= 486 = (-18) \times (-27)$.

4 Here $n=6$; multiplier = $(-27)_{10} = (100101)_2$; multiplicand = $(-18)_{10} = (101110)_2$. Since three bits are to be examined at a time the field B (left of multiplier field) should be of length $6+1=7$ bits.

Initialization $\begin{array}{c|cc|c} & B & A & d \\ \hline 0000000 & | & 1001010 & \end{array}$

+) 1101110 $\xrightarrow{\text{010} \Rightarrow \text{add } 1 \times \text{mult/cand}} \text{and then do 2-bit right shift}$

$\begin{array}{c|cc|c} 1101110 & | & 1001010 & \end{array}$

result of 1st cycle

$\begin{array}{c|cc|c} 1111011 & | & 1010010 & \end{array}$

+) 1101110 $\xrightarrow{\text{010} \Rightarrow \text{add } 1 \times \text{mult/cand}} \text{and then do 2-bit right shift}$

$\begin{array}{c|cc|c} 1101001 & | & 1010010 & \end{array}$

result of 2nd cycle

$\begin{array}{c|cc|c} 1111010 & | & 0110100 & \end{array}$

+) 0100100 $\xrightarrow{\text{100} \Rightarrow \text{add } -2 \times \text{mult/cand}} \text{and then do 2-bit right shift}$

$\begin{array}{c|cc|c} 0011110 & | & 0110100 & \end{array}$

result of 3rd cycle

$\begin{array}{c|cc|c} 0000111 & | & 1001101 & \end{array}$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{product} = (000111100110)_2 = 486 = (-18) \times (-27)}$$

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(i) Case of examining two bits at a time:

The two versions (the one initialized with $d \leftarrow 0$ and the one initialized with $d \leftarrow 1$) differ only in their first cycles of operation. The rest of the cycles are the same. The following comparative tables show the differences of the first cycle for the two cases of $d \leftarrow 0$ and $d \leftarrow 1$. The rightmost bit of the multiplier

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| a_1 | a_0 | d | |
|-------|-------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | add 0x mult/cgnd and then shift |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | add -1x mult/cgnd and then shift |

| a_1 | a_0 | d | |
|-------|-------|-----|------------------------------------|
| 0 | 1 | 1 | add 1x mult/cgnd and then shift |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | add 0x mult/cgnd and then shift |

Obviously the version corresponding to $d \leftarrow 1$ creates $1x$ multiplicand more than the version corresponding to $d \leftarrow 0$. This holds true only for the first cycle and since the remaining cycles are the same the version that corresponds to initializing d with one will compute multiplicand \times multiplier + multiplicand.

(ii) Case of examining three bits at a time:

The following tables show the differences of the first cycle for the two different initializations of d ($d \leftarrow 0$ and $d \leftarrow 1$). In the tables below, a_1 and a_0 are the two rightmost bits of the multiplier field.

| a_1 | a_0 | d | |
|-------|-------|-----|--|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | add 0x mult/cgnd and then 2-bit shift |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | add 1x mult/cgnd and then double shift |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | add -2x mult/cgnd and then double shift |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | add -1x mult/cgnd and then double shift |

| a_1 | a_0 | d | |
|-------|-------|-----|--|
| 0 | 0 | 1 | add 1x mult/cgnd and then double shift |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | add 2x mult/cgnd and then double shift |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | add -1x mult/cgnd and then double shift |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | add 0x mult/cgnd and then double shift |

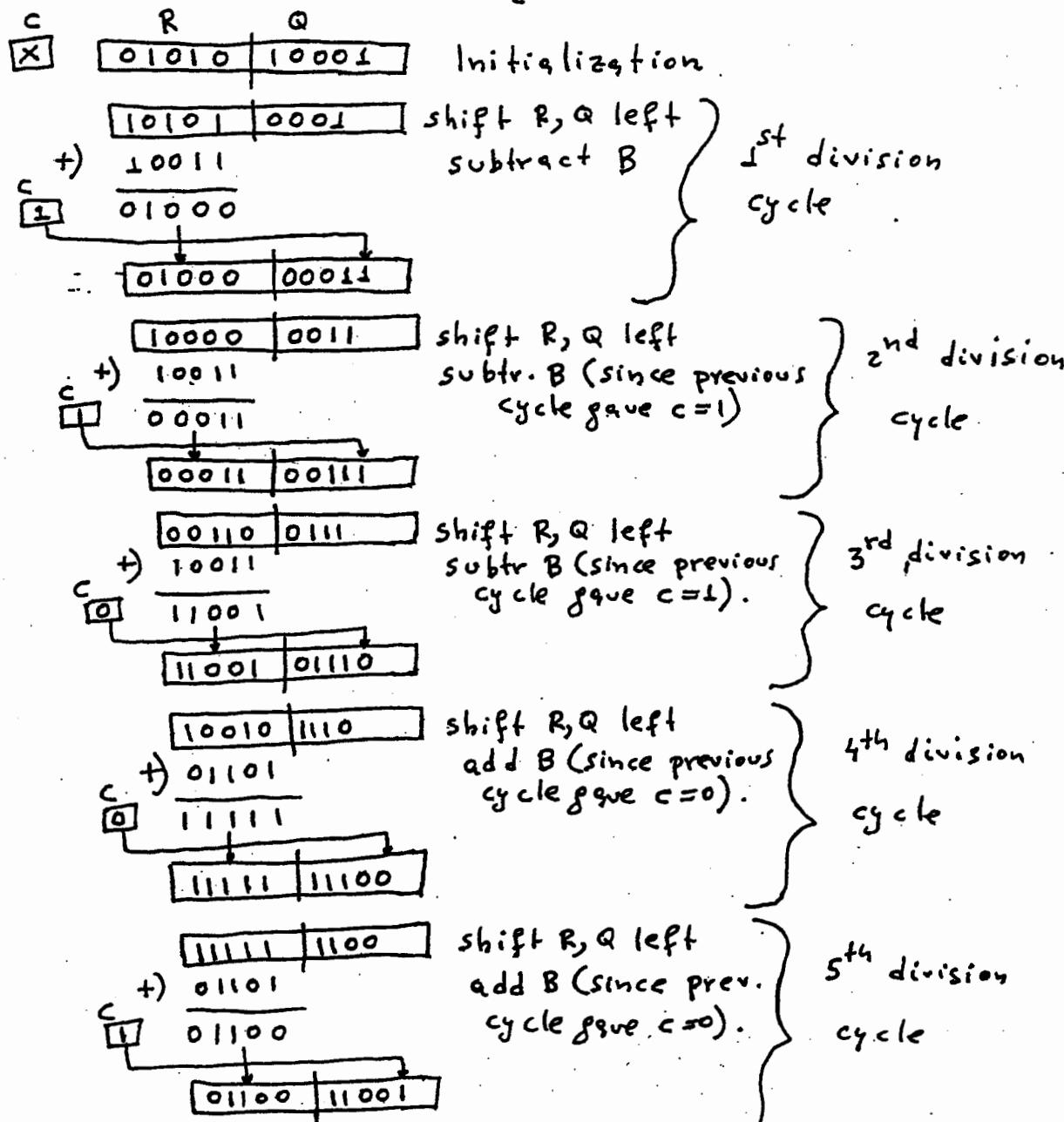
Again here, the version that uses $d \leftarrow 1$ (at initialization) creates in the first cycle $1x$ mult/cgnd more than the version that corresponds to $d \leftarrow 0$ (for initialization).

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- [6] Here the leftmost 5-bit part of the dividend is $A_1 = (01010)_2 = 10$ while the divisor is $B = (01001)_2 = 9$. Since $A_1 > B$ a division overflow will occur.
- [7] Here the leftmost 5-bit part of the dividend is $A_1 = (01011)_2 = 11$ and the divisor is $B = (01011)_2 = 11$. Since $A_1 = B$ a division overflow will occur.
- [8] Here the leftmost 5-bit part of the dividend is $A_1 = (01100)_2 = 12$ while the divisor is $B = (01101)_2 = 13$. Since $A_1 < B$ division overflow will not occur.

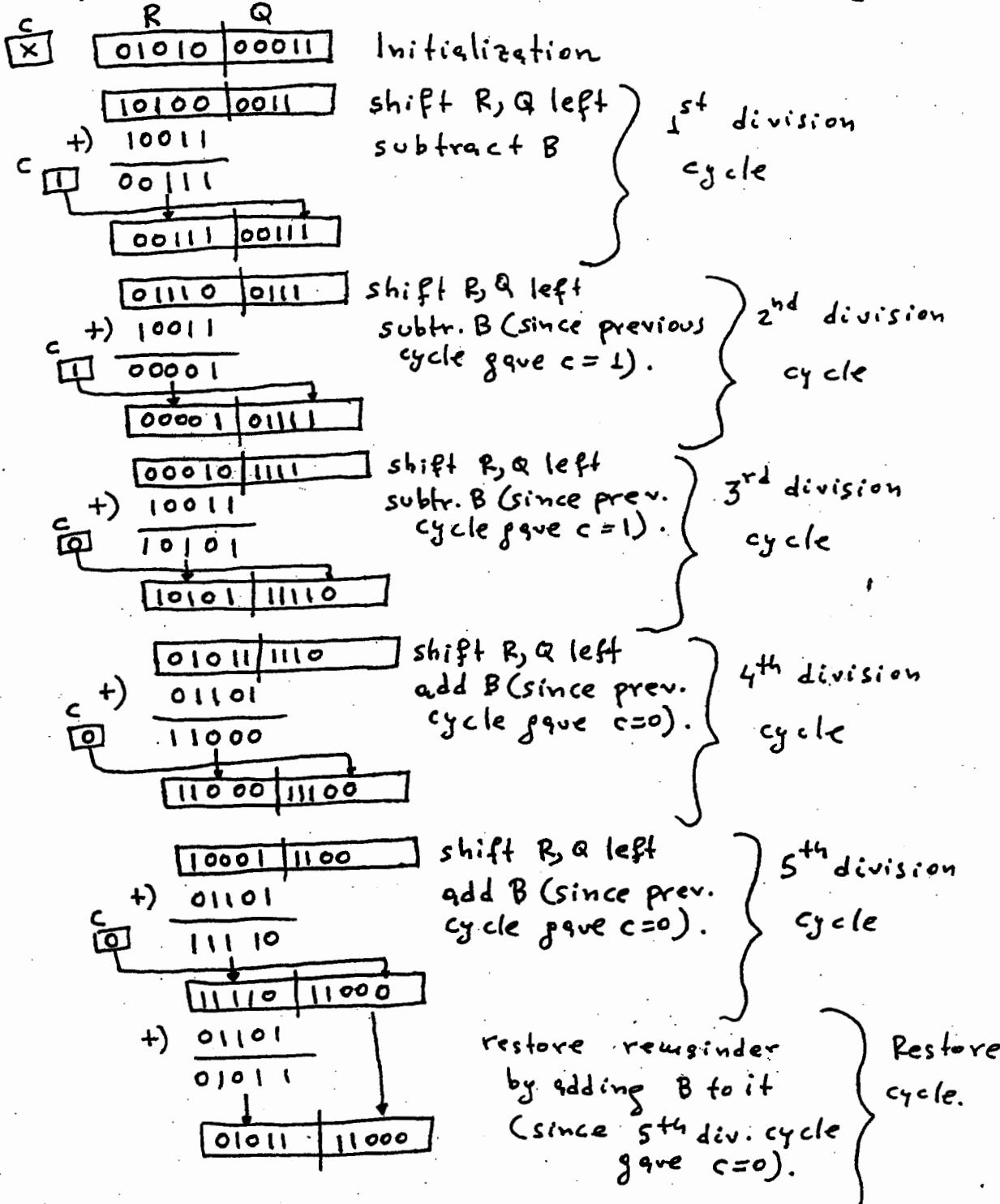
9 Here the dividend is $A = (0101010001)_2 = 10 \times 32 + 17 = 337$; the divisor is $B = (01101)_2 = 13$ and $n = 5$. Also $-B = 2^5$'s compl. of $B = (10011)_2$

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No restore cycle is necessary since the carry out of the 5th division cycle is 1. Thus the field R contains the correct remainder $R = (01100)_2 = 12$ while the quotient is $Q = (11001)_2 = 25$. Double check to see that $B \times Q + R = 13 \times 25 + 12 = 337 = A$.

10 Here $A = (0101000011)_2 = 10 \times 32 + 3 = 323$; $B = (01101)_2 = 13$; $n = 5$. Also $-B = 2^5$ compl. of $B = (10011)_2$. (7)



So remainder is $R = (01011)_2 = 11$ while quotient is $Q = (11000)_2 = 24$. Double check to see that $B \times Q + R = 13 \times 24 + 11 = 323 = A$.

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11 The range of the fraction is $0.5 \leq f \leq 1 - 2^{-48}$. The range of the exponent is $-2^{10} \leq e \leq 2^{10}-1$ or $-1024 \leq e \leq 1023$. So the positive dynamic range is

$$0.5 \times 2^{-1024} \leq A^+ \leq (1 - 2^{-48}) \times 2^{1023}$$

while the negative dynamic range is

$$-(1 - 2^{-48}) \times 2^{1023} \leq A^- \leq -0.5 \times 2^{-1024}$$

12 Here $e_{biased} = (10100)_2 = 20$ while $bias = 2^4 = 16$. So $e_{unbiased} = e_{biased} - bias = 20 - 16 = 4$. Then the value of A is $A = -0.1101100000 \times 2^4 = (-1101.100000)_2 = (-13.5)_{10}$.

13 a)

1. Align fractions/adjust smaller exp.

In order to find the larger exponent we can perform $e_1 - e_2 = e_1 + 2^5$ compl. of $e_2 = (1010) + (1001)$

$$+) \begin{array}{r} 1010 \\ 1001 \\ \hline 10011 \end{array}$$

$\hookrightarrow c=1 \Rightarrow e_1 - e_2 > 0$ or $e_1 > e_2$. So e_1 is the larger exponent and the difference is $e_1 - e_2 = (0011)_2 = 3$. The number A_2 now becomes

$$A_2: \boxed{\begin{array}{c|cc|c} s_2 & e_1 & f_2 \\ \hline 1 & 1010 & 00011010 \end{array}} \quad \text{A fraction underflow occurred as the result of alignment.}$$

2. Add fractions: Here since A_1 and A_2 are of the same sign and the operation is addition ($A_3 = A_1 + A_2$ needs to be computed) a true addition between f_1 and f_2' has to take place

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 + f_2' &= .11110101 \\ +) &\quad .00011010 \\ \hline &\quad \underbrace{.00001111} \end{aligned}$$

\hookrightarrow fraction overflow.

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3. Postnormalize: After postnormalization we get

$$A_3 = A_1 + A_2 : \begin{array}{c|c|c} s_3 & e_3 & f_3 \\ \hline 1 & 1011 & 10000111 \end{array} \quad \text{A fraction underflow occurred as a result of postnormal.}$$

4. Check for exp. overflow: No exp. overflow occurred ($e_3 = (1011)_2 = 11$ is within range [0-15]).

(b) Here the larger exponent is e_1 , the smaller exponent is e_2 and the difference $e_1 - e_2 = 12 - 3 = 9 > 8$ (8 is the frac. length). So $A_3 = A_1 + A_2 = A_1$.

(c) 1. Align/adjust: Here the larger exponent is e_1 , the smaller exp. is e_2 and $e_1 - e_2 = 15 - 12 = 3$. The number A_2 now becomes $A_2 : \begin{array}{c|c|c} s_2 & e_1 & f_2' \\ \hline 0 & 1111 & 00010110 \end{array}$

2. Add fractions: A true addition $f_1 + f_2'$ has to take place.

$$\begin{array}{r} f_1 + f_2' = .1111\ 0101 \\ + .0001\ 0110 \\ \hline .0000\ 1011 \end{array}$$

↳ fract. overflow (postnormalization needed)

3. Postnormalize and check for exp. overflow

Here postnormalization of the fraction will result in exponent overflow (observe that 1111 is the largest 4-bit biased exponent). An exp. overflow flag has to be set.

(d) 1. Align/adjust: Here the larger exp. is e_2 , the smaller exp. is e_1 and $e_2 - e_1 = 11 - 9 = 2$. The number A_1 now becomes $A_1 : \begin{array}{c|c|c} s_1 & e_2 & f_1' \\ \hline 0 & 1011 & 10011100 \end{array}$

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2. Subtract fractions: Since A_1 and A_2 are of different signs the true subtraction $f_1' - f_2$ has to take place. $f_1' - f_2 = f_1' + 2^3$'s complement of $f_2 =$

$$+) \begin{array}{r} .00111100 \\ .01101110 \\ \hline 0.10101010 \end{array}$$

$\hookrightarrow c=0 \Rightarrow f_1' - f_2 < 0 \Rightarrow f_1' < f_2$. Since f_2 is the larger fraction the result $A_3 = A_1 + A_2$ must have as a sign bit the sign bit of A_2 (negative sign). The fraction of A_3 will be 2^3 's compl. of $(f_1' - f_2) = 2^3$'s compl. of $(10101010)_2 = (01010110)_2$.

$$\text{So } A_3 = A_1 + A_2 : \boxed{1 \mid 1011 \mid 01010110}$$

3. Postnormalize: After postnormalization we get

$$A_3 : \boxed{\begin{matrix} s_3 & e_3 & f_3 \\ 1 & 1010 & 10101100 \end{matrix}}$$

4. Check for exp. underflow

No exp. underflow occurred.

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1. Align/adjust: Here $e_1 = e_2$ and no alignment/adjustment is needed.

2. Subtract fractions: Since A_1 and A_2 are of different signs the subtraction $f_1 - f_2$ has to take place.

$$f_1 - f_2 = f_1 + 2^3\text{'s compl. of } f_2 =$$

$$+) \begin{array}{r} .11111100 \\ .00001000 \\ \hline 1.00000100 \end{array}$$

$\hookrightarrow c=1 \Rightarrow f_1 - f_2 > 0 \Rightarrow f_1 > f_2$. Since f_1 is the larger fraction the result $A_3 = A_1 + A_2$ must have as a sign bit the sign bit of A_1 (sign bit of zero).

The fraction of A_3 will be $f_1 - f_2 = .00000100$

$$\text{Thus } A_3 : \boxed{0 \mid 0010 \mid 00000100}$$

3. Postnormalize and check for exp. underflow:

The resulting fraction $.00000100$ needs to be shifted to the left by 5 bits. This will create an exp. underflow since the exponent will have to be decremented by 5 and $2 - 5 = -3 < 0$. Recall that the range of 4-bit biased exponents is $[0 \ 15]$. Since an exponent underflow occurred an exp. underflow flag is set and the result is forced to the unique FLP zero or

$$A_3: \begin{array}{c|c|c} s_3 & e_3 & f_3 \\ \hline 0 & 0000 & 00000000 \end{array} .$$

(f) The sign of the product is $s_3 = s_1 \oplus s_2 = 1$. The product of the fractions is $(.1111100) \times (.1111100) = .111101000001000000$. Truncating the rightmost 8-bit part we get product of fractions $= .11110100$. Also $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} = 10 + 9 - 8 = (11)_{10} = (101)_2$. The product is $A_3 = A_1 \times A_2 : \begin{array}{c|c|c} s_3 & e_3 & f_3 \\ \hline 1 & 1011 & 11110100 \end{array}$. Observe that the result is normalized so no postnormalization is needed. No exp. ovf or exp. underflow occurred.

14 @ The exponent of the product will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias}$ if no postnormalization is needed, while it will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} - 1$ if postnormalization is needed. Here $e_1 = (10100)_2 = 20$, $e_2 = (01010)_2 = 10$, bias = $2^4 = 16$ while the dynamic range of 5-bit biased exponents is $[0 \ 31]$. So if postnormalization is not needed, the product's exponent will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} = 20 + 10 - 16 = 14$ and neither exp. ovf nor exp. underflow occurs. In the case that postnormalization is needed the product's exp. will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} - 1 = 13$ (again safe exp.).

(b) Here since $f_1 \times f_2 = (.100) \times (.100) = .010000$ postnormalization will be necessary and the product's exp. will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} - 1 = 24 + 24 - 16 - 1 = 31$. So no exp ovf nor exp. undf.

(c) If no postnormalization is needed, the product's exponent will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} = 30 + 20 - 16 = 34 > 31$ and an exp. ovf. occurs. Even if postnormalization is needed, the product's exp. will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} - 1 = 33 > 31$ and we will still have exp. ovf.

(d) If no postnormalization is needed, the product's exp. will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} = 7 + 3 - 16 = -6 < 0$ and an exp. undf. occurs. The situation is even worst if postnormalization is needed since the product's exp. will be $e_1 + e_2 - \text{bias} - 1 = -7$ (exp. undf.)

[15] (a) The quotient's exponent will be $e_1 - e_2 + \text{bias}$ if alignment of dividend is not needed while it will be $e_1 + 1 - e_2 + \text{bias}$ if alignment of dividend is needed. Observe that $e_1 - e_2 + \text{bias} = 20 - 23 + 16 = 13 \in [0, 31]$ while $e_1 + 1 - e_2 + \text{bias} = 14 \in [0, 31]$. So we will never have exp. ovf nor exp. undf.

(b) Here since $f_1 > f_2$ dividend alignment is needed. This way the quotient's exp. will be $e_1 + 1 - e_2 + \text{bias} = 1 - 2 + 1 - 19 + 16 = 0 \in [0, 31]$. So no exp. ovf or exp. undf. occurs.

(c) If no dividend alignment is needed, the quotient's exp. will be $e_1 - e_2 + \text{bias} = 30 - 2 + 16 = 44$ and an exp. ovf. occurs. The situation is even worst if alignment of dividend is needed since the quotient's exp. will be $e_1 + 1 - e_2 + \text{bias} = 45$ (exp. ovf.).

(d) Here if no dividend alignment is needed, the exp. of the quotient will be $e_1 - e_2 + \text{bias} = 2 - 30 + 16 = -12 < 0$, so exp. undf. occurs. Even if alignment of dividend is needed, the quotient's exp. will be $e_1 + 1 - e_2 + \text{bias} = -11$ and still an exp. undf. occurs.

16 Look in handouts

~~Consider the sign bit of the sum.~~

17 Let the two numbers to be added or subtracted be $A = a_{n-1} a_{n-2} \dots a_1 a_0$ and $B = b_{n-1} b_{n-2} \dots b_1 b_0$, where a_{n-1} and b_{n-1} are the sign bits of A and B respectively. Let c_{in} and c_{out} denote the carry into the sign location and carry out of the sign location respectively. Let the summation of c_{in} , a_{n-1} and b_{n-1} produce the 2-bit result $c_{out} s_{n-1}$.

(a) Consider the case where $a_{n-1} \neq b_{n-1}$ ($a_{n-1}, b_{n-1} = 0, 1$ or $1, 0$). Here, neither overflow nor underflow can occur since the numbers are of different signs; (a positive and a negative).

Consider the following two cases:

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$$\begin{array}{r} \text{cin} = 0 \\ q_{n-1} = 0 \\ b_{n-1} = 1 \\ \hline 01 = \text{Cout } S_{n-1} \end{array}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{r} \text{cin} = 1 \\ q_{n-1} = 0 \\ b_{n-1} = 1 \\ \hline 10 = \text{Cout } S_{n-1} \end{array} \right\}$$

As you see, in both cases $\text{cin} = \text{cout}$. The scenario $a_{n-1}, b_{n-1} = 1, 0$ is the same as the above.

(b) Consider the case where $a_{n-1} = b_{n-1}$; ($a_{n-1}, b_{n-1} = 0, 0$ or $1, 1$).

(b₁) Case $a_{n-1} = b_{n-1} = 0$: In this case of adding two positive numbers, an overflow might sometimes occur. Consider the case $\text{cin} = a_{n-1} = b_{n-1} = 0$. Then

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{cin} = 0 \\ a_{n-1} = 0 \\ b_{n-1} = 0 \\ \hline 00 = \text{Cout } S_{n-1} \end{array}$$

Here, since $S_{n-1} = 0$, overflow did not occur. Observe that $\text{cin} = \text{cout}$.

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Consider now the case $c_{in}=1$ and $a_{n-1}=b_{n-1}=0$. Then

$$c_{in}=1$$

$$a_{n-1}=0$$

$$\underline{b_{n-1}=0} \quad +)$$

$$01 = c_{out}s_{n-1}$$

Here, since $s_{n-1}=1$, we know that overflow occurred. Also observe that $c_{in} \neq c_{out}$; (more specifically $c_{in}=1$ and $c_{out}=0$).

(b2) Case $a_{n-1}=b_{n-1}=1$: In this case of adding two negative numbers, an underflow might sometimes occur. Consider the case $c_{in}=a_{n-1}=b_{n-1}=1$. Then

$$c_{in}=1$$

$$a_{n-1}=1$$

$$\underline{b_{n-1}=1} \quad +)$$

$$11 = c_{out}s_{n-1}$$

Since $s_{n-1}=1$, underflow did not occur. Also observe that $c_{in}=c_{out}$.

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Finally consider the case $C_{in} = 0$ and $a_{n-1} = b_{n-1} = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} C_{in} &= 0 \\ a_{n-1} &= 1 \\ b_{n-1} &= 1 \\ \hline 10 &= C_{out} S_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Here, since $S_{n-1} = 0$, we know that underflow occurred. Also observe that $C_{in} \neq C_{out}$; (more specifically, $C_{in} = 0$ and $C_{out} = 1$).

In conclusion:

- If $C_{in} = C_{out}$ neither overflow nor underflow has occurred.
- If $C_{in} = 1$ and $C_{out} = 0$ an overflow has occurred.
- If $C_{in} = 0$ and $C_{out} = 1$ an underflow has occurred.

- 18 a) Consider the integers A and B where $A = (01110000)_2 = (112)_{10}$ and $B = (1010.)_2 = (10)_{10}$. Dividing A by B one gets quotient $Q = 11 = (1011.)_2$ and remainder $R = 2$. Since $\frac{R}{B} = \frac{2}{10} < \frac{1}{2}$, $Q' = Q = 1011$. Thus

$$f_3 = \frac{f_1}{f_2} \approx \cdot Q' = \cdot 1011$$

I claim that the obtained result $\cdot 1011$ is the best 4-bit approximation of f_1/f_2 . Observe that the actual f_1/f_2 is $\frac{f_1}{f_2} = \frac{0111}{1010} = \frac{(0111) \times 2^4}{(1010) \times 2^4} = \frac{0111.}{1010.} = \frac{7}{10} = .7$.

What we got is $\cdot 1011 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{11}{16} = .6875$. The error is $.7 - .6875 = .0125$. The next higher value is $\cdot 1100 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4} = .75$ while the error here is $.75 - .7 = .05 > .0125$.

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(b) Consider here the integers A and B where $A = (01100000)_2 = (96)_{10}$ and $B = (1010)_2 = (10)_{10}$. Dividing A by B one gets quotient $Q = q = (1001.)_2$ and remainder $R = 6$. Since $\frac{R}{B} = \frac{6}{10} > \frac{1}{2}$, then $Q' = Q + 1 = q + 1 = 10 = (1010)_2$.

Thus $f_3 = \frac{f_1}{f_2} \approx Q' = .1010$

I claim that the obtained result $.1010$ is the best 4-bit approximation of f_1/f_2 . Observe that the actual f_1/f_2 is $\frac{f_1}{f_2} = \frac{.0110}{.1010} = \frac{(0110) \times 2^4}{(1010) \times 2^4} = \frac{0110}{1010} = \frac{6}{10} = .6$.

What we got is $.1010 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{5}{8} = .625$

The error is $.625 - .6 = .025$.

The next lower value is $.1001 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{16} = \frac{9}{16} = .5625$ while the error here is

$$.6 - .5625 = .0375 > .025$$