

C Language Programming: Homework #4
Assigned on 10/31/2017(Tuesday), Due on 11/14/2017(Tuesday)

1. Write a program that can input a float or double number and print out its bit pattern and vice versa (input 32 bits for float or 64 bits for double pattern and output its value).

Note: you should use the three techniques mentioned in the class:

- (a) an integer pointer to float or double,
 - (b) union, and
 - (c) bit field
2. Please check:
 1. Is it correct that the value,
*1.1754943508222875079687365372222456778186655567720
87521508751706278417259454727172851560500000000000
00000000000000000000e-38f*,
is the smallest floating point number as stated in the textbook. If not, what is the smallest floating point number ?
 2. What is the bit pattern of $f=0.0$
 3. run

```
f1 = 1.1754943508222875079687365372222456778186655  
567720875215087517062784172594547271728515605000  
00000000000000000000000000000000e-38f;  
f2 = 1.175494350822287500e-38f;  
  
if( f1==f2 ) { printf("%.100e = %.100e", f1, f2); }  
else { printf("%.100e != %.100e", f1, f2); }
```

Explain the result.

[problem 1]

Input:

Use *argv* to read input file. Input file include four lines, each line contain a number or bit pattern. First line is a float number, second line is a double number, third line is 32-bit pattern, fourth line is 64-bit pattern. Your programs should convert float(double) number to 32-bit(64-bit) pattern or convert 32-bit(64-bit) pattern to float(double) number.

Input file example:

```
0.0625
0.00390625
00111101100000000000000000000000
0011111101110000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000
```

Output:

hw4a: A file named “output_a” which include results.

hw4b: A file named “output_b” which include results.

hw4c: A file named “output_c” which include results.

Output file example:

```
00111101100000000000000000000000
0011111101110000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000
0.0625
0.00390625
```

Example:

```
> ./hw4a input
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```
> ./hw4b input
```

```
> ./hw4c input
```

[problem 2]

Please answer three questions on your report (use Chinese or English).

Score:

hw4a: 20%

hw4b: 20%

hw4c: 20%

Report: 40% (Include problem 1 report and problem 2 answer)