

C Language Programming: Homework #6
Assigned on 12/03/2013(Tuesday), Due on 12/10/2013(Tuesday)

1. Write a program that can input a float or double number and print out its bit pattern and vice versa (input a 32-bit or 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
000000000000000000000000e-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

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f1 = 1.1754943508222875079687365372222456778186655  
567720875215087517062784172594547271728515605000  
00000000000000000000000000000000e-38f;  
f2 = 1.175494350822287500e-38f;
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if( f1==f2 ) { printf(“%100e = %100e”, f1, f2); }  
else { printf(“%100e != %100e”, f1, f2); }
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Explain the result.