Subject: Re: Decomposing a bit field? Posted by Chris[6] on Wed, 21 Jul 2010 22:41:04 GMT

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On Jul 21, 1:25 am, Rob <rj...@le.ac.uk> wrote:
> On Jul 21, 11:29 am, Steve <f...@k.e> wrote:
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>> Rob wrote:
>>> for i=0, 31 do begin test[i]=(ISHFT((15982561),-i) AND 1B)
>>> However, for example bits 1-4 need to be combined (and contain data
>>> from 0-15). As I don't quite understand what the code above is doing
>>> I'm not sure how to (or if it can be) modified to not just operate on
>>> the individual bits but on groups of bits.
>> ISHFT - moves bits right or left so that the bits you want are at the
>> end of the value. AND selects the bits that you want.
>>> What I need to extract is the information in the following form:
>>> Bit 0: 0 or 1
>> bit0= ishft(15982561,0) and 1B
>>> Bits 1-4: 0-15
\Rightarrow bits1to4 = ishft(15982561,-1) and 17B
>>> Bit 5: 0 or 1
>> bit5 = ishft(15982561,-5) and 1B
>>> Bits 6-8: 0-8
>> bits6to8 = ishft(15982561,-6) and 7B
>>> etc
>>> Thanks in advance
  Thanks everyone, that makes much more sense now.
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  I just wanted to confirm where the 7B comes from above.
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> I assume it's because I'm checking 3 bits so it's 1+2+4. If I had a
  group of 4 bits it's be 1+2+4+8 (15 like in Chris's example below),
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> right?

right- 7 is (000000....111) in binary. So if you take "x and 7" it will set all but the last three bits to zero. So it throws away all the leading bits, and returns the last 3 bits as some number (0-7)

15 (0000.....1111) does the same thing, but with 4 bits instead of 3. chris