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## Non restoring Division Algorithm

Instead of the quotient digit set $\{0,1\}$, the set $\{-1,1\}$ is used by the non-restoring division. The nonrestoring division algorithm is more complex as compared to the restoring division algorithm. But when we implement this algorithm in hardware, it has an advantage, i.e., it contains only one decision and addition/subtraction per quotient bit. After performing the subtraction operation, there will not be any restoring steps. Due to this, the numbers of operations basically cut down up to half. Because of the less operation, the execution of this algorithm will be fast. This algorithm basically performs simple operations such as addition, subtraction. In this method, we will use the sign bit of register A. 0 is the starting value/bit of register A.


Now we will learn steps of the non-restoring
division algorithm, which are described as follows:

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Step 1: In this step, the corresponding value will be initialized to the registers, i.e., register A will contain value 0 , register $M$ will contain Divisor, register Q will contain Dividend, and N is used to specify the number of bits in dividend.

Step 2: In this step, we will check the sign bit of A.
Step 3: If this bit of register $A$ is 1 , then shift the value of $A Q$ through left, and perform $A=A+M$. If this bit is 0 , then shift the value of $A Q$ into left and perform $A=A-M$. That means in case of 0 , the 2 's complement of M is added into register A , and the result is stored into A .

Step 4: Now, we will check the sign bit of A again.
Step 5: If this bit of register $A$ is 1 , then $\mathrm{Q}[0]$ will become 0 . If this bit is 0 , then $\mathrm{Q}[0]$ will become 1 . Here $\mathrm{Q}[0]$ indicates the least significant bit of Q .

Step 6: After that, the value of N will be decremented. Here N is used as a counter.
Step 7: If the value of $\mathrm{N}=0$, then we will go to the next step. Otherwise, we have to again go to step 2 .
Step 8: We will perform $A=A+M$ if the sign bit of register $A$ is 1 .
Step 9: This is the last step. In this step, register A contains the remainder, and register Q contains the quotient.

## For example:

In this example, we will perform a Non-Restoring Division algorithm with the help of an Unsigned integer.

1. Dividend $=11$
2. Divisor $=3$
3. $-\mathrm{M}=11101$

| $\mathbf{N}$ | $\mathbf{M}$ | $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{Q} \quad$ Action |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

400011000001011 Begin
0001100001 011_ Shift left AQ
0001111110 011_A = A - M
$300011111100110 \mathrm{Q}[0]=0$
00011 11100 110_Shift left AQ
0001111111 110_A = A + M
$200011111111100 \mathrm{Q}[0]=0$
0001111111 100_Shift left AQ
0001100010 100_A = A +M

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$100011000101001 \mathrm{Q}[0]=1$
0001100101 001_ Shift left AQ
0001100010 001_ A = A - M
$000011000100011 \mathrm{Q}[0]=1$
So, register A contains the remainder 2, and register Q contains the quotient 3.

