

1. Status Flags

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(a) `ADD r4, r0, r2, ASR #3`

N	Z	C	V

(b) `ADDS r4, r0, r1`

N	Z	C	V

(c) `LSRS r4, r0, #1`

N	Z	C	V

(d) `ANDS r4, r0, r3`

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(e) `CMP r2, #3`

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2. Status Flags (Solution)

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0	0	0	0

plain ADD doesn't update flags, need ADDS for that

(b) `ADDS r4, r0, r1`

N	Z	C	V
0	1	1	0

$r4=r0+r1=0xffffffff+0x00000001 = 0x00000000$ overflow to C
both carry into high bit=1 and carry out of high bit=1 so V=0

(c) `LSRS r4, r0, #1`

N	Z	C	V
0	0	1	0

$r4=r0$ logical shift right by 1, $r4=0x7fffffff$, low bit into C=1

(d) `ANDS r4, r0, r3`

N	Z	C	V
1	0	0	0

$r4=r0$ bitwise and $r3$, $r0=0xffffffff \& 0xffffffff0 = 0xffffffff0$
since the high bit of the result is set, it's considered negative

(e) `CMP r2, #3`

N	Z	C	V
0	1	1	0

compare r2 with 3. r2 is 3. Same as doing a subtract. This is tricky, do the subtract as twos complement add and you'll find that $3 + -3 = 0x00000003 + 0xfffffd = 0$ but also overflows carry $3 - 3 = 0$