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H8/300L Series

Counting the Number of Logical-1 Bits in 8-Bit Data (HCNT)

Introduction

1. The software HCNT counts logical-1 bits in given 8-bit data.
2. This function is useful in performing parity checks.

Target Device

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1. Arguments

Description		Memory area	Data length (bytes)
Input	8-bit data	R0L	1
Output	Number of logical-1 bits	R1L	1

2. Changes to Internal Registers and Flags

R0H	R0L	R1H	R1L	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7
•	×	×	‡	•	•	•	•	•	•
I	U	H	U	N	Z	V	C		
•	•	•	•	×	×	×	×	×	×

- : No change
- ×: Undefined
- ‡: Result

3. Specifications

Program memory (bytes)	18
Data memory (bytes)	0
Stack (bytes)	0
Clock cycle count	162
Reentrant	Possible
Relocation	Possible
Interrupt	Possible

4. Note

The clock cycle count in the specifications (162) is for 8-bit data = "FF".

5. Description

5.1 Details of functions

- The following arguments are used with the software HCNT:
 R0L: Sets, as an input argument, 8-bit data for which logical-1 bits are to be counted.
 R1L: The number of logical-1 bits in the 8-bit data is set here as an output argument.
- The following figure illustrates the execution of the software HCNT. When the input argument is set as shown in (1), the number of logical-1 bits that have been found in the 8-bit data is placed in R1L as shown in (2).
- The contents of R0L are retained after execution of the software HCNT.

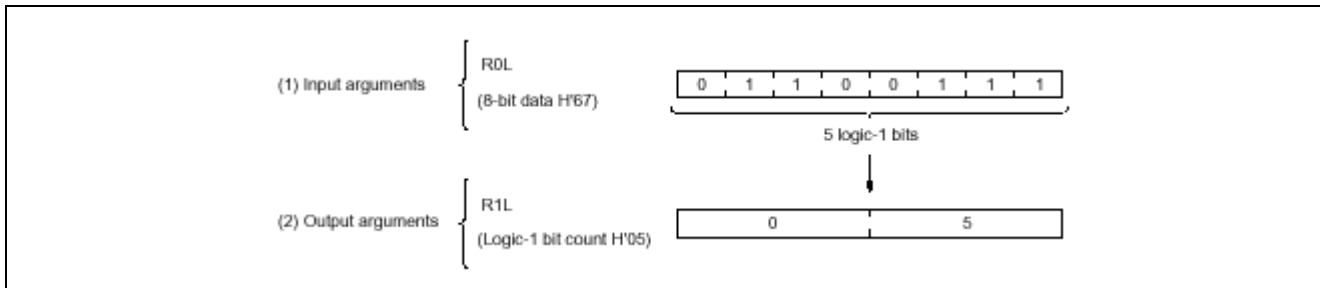


Figure 5.1 Example of Software HCNT Execution

5.2 Note on usage

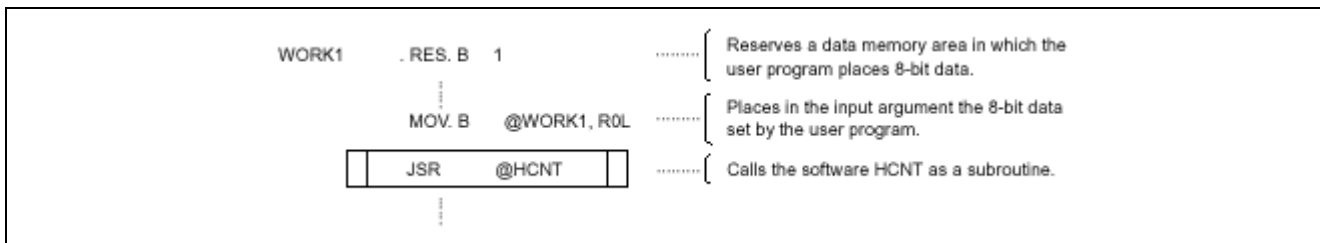
To count the logical-0 bits, invert the data in R0L (by using the NOT instruction) before executing the software HCNT.

5.3 Data memory

The software HCNT uses no data memory.

5.4 Example of use

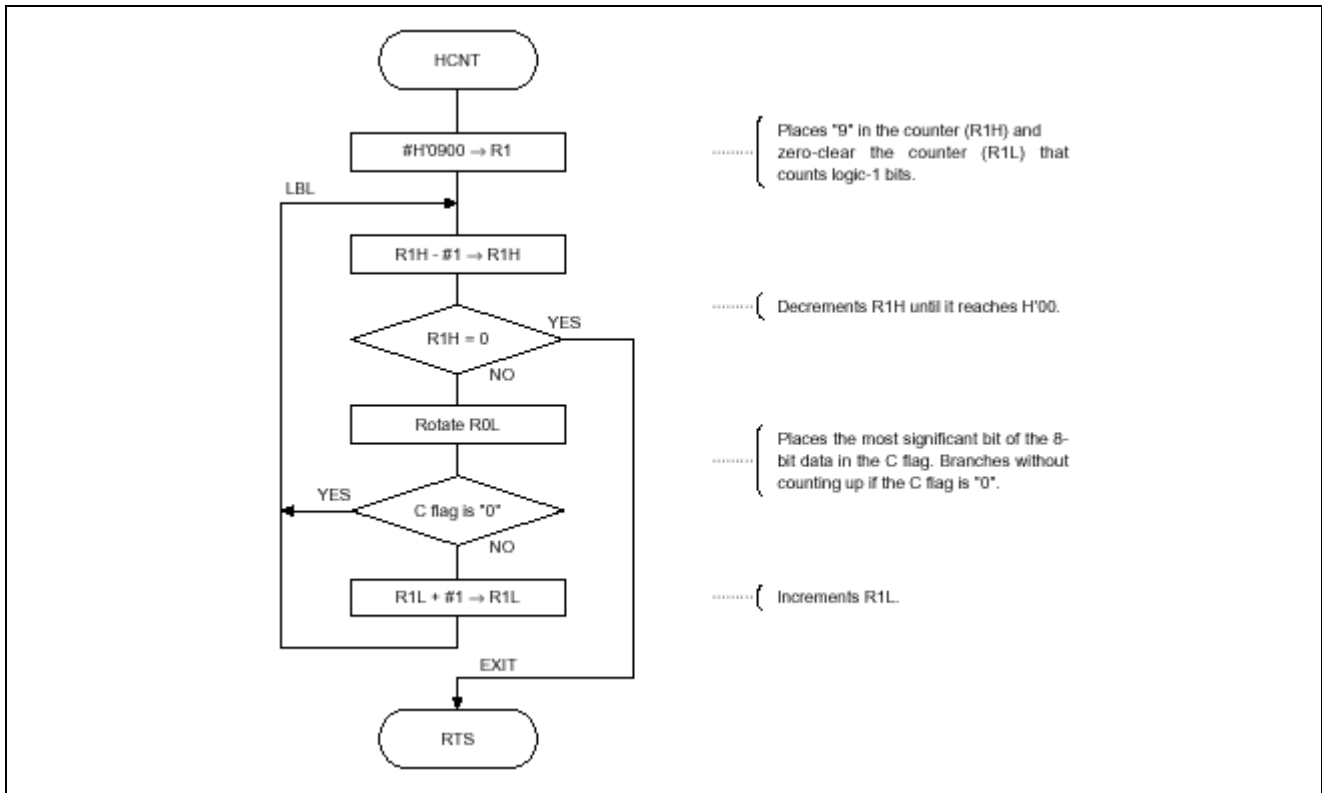
Set 8-bit data in the input argument and call the software HCNT as a subroutine.



5.5 Operation

- R1H is used as the counter that counts the number of rotation operation performed on the 8-bit data.
- The ROTXL instruction is used to set the data in R0L bit by bit into the C flag.
- R1L is incremented when the C flag is 1. No operation occurs when the C flag is 0.
- R1H is decremented each time steps 2 and 3 are executed. The process is repeated until R1H reaches 0.

6. Flowchart



7. Program List

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*** H8/300 ASSEMBLER VER 1.0B ** 08/18/92 09:51:00
PROGRAM NAME =
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*****TOTAL ERRORS 0
*****TOTAL WARNINGS 0
;*****
;*
;*      00 - NAME           :HIGH LEVEL BIT COUNT (HCNT)
;*
;*****
;*
;*      ENTRY   :R0L (8 BIT DATA)
;*
;*      RETURN  :R1L (HIGH LEVEL BIT COUNTER)
;*
;*****
;
;SECTION          HCNT_code,CODE,ALIGN=2
;EXPORT          HCNT
;
HCNT .EQU $      ;Entry point
MOV.W  #H'0900,R1
LBL
DEC    R1H
BEQ    EXIT     ;If R1H = 0 then exit
ROTL   R0L
BCC    LBL     ;Branch if C flag = 0
INC    R1L
BRA    LBL     ;Branch always
EXIT
RTS
;
.END

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