

**1. Module Bitv.** This module implements bit vectors, as an abstract datatype  $t$ . Since bit vectors are particular cases of arrays, this module provides the same operations as module *Array* (Sections 2 up to 6). It also provides bitwise operations (Section 9) and conversions to/from integer types.

In the following, `false` stands for bit 0 and `true` for bit 1.

`type t`

**2. Creation, access and assignment.** (*Bitv.create n b*) creates a new bit vector of length  $n$ , initialized with  $b$ . (*Bitv.init n f*) returns a fresh vector of length  $n$ , with bit number  $i$  initialized to the result of  $(f\ i)$ . (*Bitv.set v n b*) sets the  $n$ th bit of  $v$  to the value  $b$ . (*Bitv.get v n*) returns the  $n$ th bit of  $v$ . *Bitv.length* returns the length (number of elements) of the given vector.

```
val create : int → bool → t
val init : int → (int → bool) → t
val set : t → int → bool → unit
val get : t → int → bool
val length : t → int
```

**3.**  $\max\_length$  is the maximum length of a bit vector (System dependent).

```
val max_length : int
```

**4. Copies and concatenations.** (*Bitv.copy v*) returns a copy of  $v$ , that is, a fresh vector containing the same elements as  $v$ . (*Bitv.append v1 v2*) returns a fresh vector containing the concatenation of the vectors  $v1$  and  $v2$ . *Bitv.concat* is similar to *Bitv.append*, but catenates a list of vectors.

```
val copy : t → t
val append : t → t → t
val concat : t list → t
```

**5. Sub-vectors and filling.** (*Bitv.sub v start len*) returns a fresh vector of length  $len$ , containing the bits number  $start$  to  $start + len - 1$  of vector  $v$ . Raise *Invalid\_argument "Bitv.sub"* if  $start$  and  $len$  do not designate a valid subvector of  $v$ ; that is, if  $start < 0$ , or  $len < 0$ , or  $start + len > \text{Bitv.length } a$ .

(*Bitv.fill v ofs len b*) modifies the vector  $v$  in place, storing  $b$  in elements number  $ofs$  to  $ofs + len - 1$ . Raise *Invalid\_argument "Bitv.fill"* if  $ofs$  and  $len$  do not designate a valid subvector of  $v$ .

$(Bitv.blit v1 o1 v2 o2 len)$  copies  $len$  elements from vector  $v1$ , starting at element number  $o1$ , to vector  $v2$ , starting at element number  $o2$ . It *does not work* correctly if  $v1$  and  $v2$  are the same vector with the source and destination chunks overlapping. Raise *Invalid\_argument "Bitv.blit"* if  $o1$  and  $len$  do not designate a valid subvector of  $v1$ , or if  $o2$  and  $len$  do not designate a valid subvector of  $v2$ .

```
val sub : t → int → int → t
val fill : t → int → int → bool → unit
val blit : t → int → t → int → int → unit
```

**6. Iterators.**  $(Bitv.iter f v)$  applies function  $f$  in turn to all the elements of  $v$ . Given a function  $f$ ,  $(Bitv.map f v)$  applies  $f$  to all the elements of  $v$ , and builds a vector with the results returned by  $f$ .  $Bitv.iteri$  and  $Bitv.mapi$  are similar to  $Bitv.iter$  and  $Bitv.map$  respectively, but the function is applied to the index of the element as first argument, and the element itself as second argument.

$(Bitv.fold_left f x v)$  computes  $f (\dots (f (f x (get v 0)) (get v 1)) \dots) (get v (n - 1))$ , where  $n$  is the length of the vector  $v$ .

$(Bitv.fold_right f a x)$  computes  $f (get v 0) (f (get v 1) (\dots (f (get v (n - 1)) x) \dots))$ , where  $n$  is the length of the vector  $v$ .

```
val iter : (bool → unit) → t → unit
val map : (bool → bool) → t → t
val iteri : (int → bool → unit) → t → unit
val mapi : (int → bool → bool) → t → t
val fold_left : (α → bool → α) → α → t → α
val fold_right : (bool → α → α) → t → α → α
val foldi_left : (α → int → bool → α) → α → t → α
val foldi_right : (int → bool → α → α) → t → α → α
```

**7.**  $iteri\_true f v$  applies function  $f$  in turn to all indexes of the elements of  $v$  which are set (i.e. `true`); indexes are visited from least significant to most significant.

```
val iteri_true : (int → unit) → t → unit
```

**8.**  $gray\_iter f n$  iterates function  $f$  on all bit vectors of length  $n$ , once each, using a Gray code. The order in which bit vectors are processed is unspecified.

```
val gray_iter : (t → unit) → int → unit
```

**9. Bitwise operations.**  $bwand$ ,  $bwor$  and  $bwxor$  implement logical and, or and exclusive or. They return fresh vectors and raise *Invalid\_argument "Bitv.xxx"* if the two vectors do not have the same length (where `xxx` is the name of the function).  $bwnot$  implements

the logical negation. It returns a fresh vector. *shiftl* and *shiftr* implement shifts. They return fresh vectors. *shiftl* moves bits from least to most significant, and *shiftr* from most to least significant (think `lsl` and `lsr`). *all\_zeros* and *all\_ones* respectively test for a vector only containing zeros and only containing ones.

```
val bw_and : t → t → t
val bw_or : t → t → t
val bw_xor : t → t → t
val bw_not : t → t

val shiftl : t → int → t
val shiftr : t → int → t

val all_zeros : t → bool
val all_ones : t → bool
```

## 10. Conversions to and from strings.

With least significant bits first.

```
module L : sig
  val to_string : t → string
  val of_string : string → t
  val print : Format.formatter → t → unit
end
```

With most significant bits first.

```
module M : sig
  val to_string : t → string
  val of_string : string → t
  val print : Format.formatter → t → unit
end
```

**11. Input/output in a machine-independent format.** The following functions export/import a bit vector to/from a channel, in a way that is compact, independent of the machine architecture, and independent of the OCaml version. For a bit vector of length  $n$ , the number of bytes of this external representation is  $4 + \text{ceil}(n/8)$  on a 32-bit machine and  $8 + \text{ceil}(n/8)$  on a 64-bit machine.

```
val output_bin : out_channel → t → unit
val input_bin : in_channel → t
```

**12. Conversions to and from lists of integers.** The list gives the indices of bits which are set (ie true).

```
val to_list : t → int list
val of_list : int list → t
val of_list_with_length : int list → int → t
```

**13.** Interpretation of bit vectors as integers. Least significant bit comes first (ie is at index 0 in the bit vector). *to\_XXX* functions truncate when the bit vector is too wide, and raise *Invalid\_argument* when it is too short. Suffix *\_s* means that sign bit is kept, and *\_us* that it is discarded.

type *int* (length 31/63 with sign, 30/62 without)

```
val of_int_s : int → t
val to_int_s : t → int
val of_int_us : int → t
val to_int_us : t → int
(* type Int32.t (length 32 with sign, 31 without) *)
val of_int32_s : Int32.t → t
val to_int32_s : t → Int32.t
val of_int32_us : Int32.t → t
val to_int32_us : t → Int32.t
(* type Int64.t (length 64 with sign, 63 without) *)
val of_int64_s : Int64.t → t
val to_int64_s : t → Int64.t
val of_int64_us : Int64.t → t
val to_int64_us : t → Int64.t
(* type Nativeint.t (length 32/64 with sign, 31/63 without) *)
val of_nativeint_s : Nativeint.t → t
val to_nativeint_s : t → Nativeint.t
val of_nativeint_us : Nativeint.t → t
val to_nativeint_us : t → Nativeint.t
```

**14.** Only if you know what you are doing...

```
val unsafe_set : t → int → bool → unit
val unsafe_get : t → int → bool
```