**Example - Sale of stock with profit**

As an example, assume you bought 100 shares of a stock for $20 per share, then later sell them all for

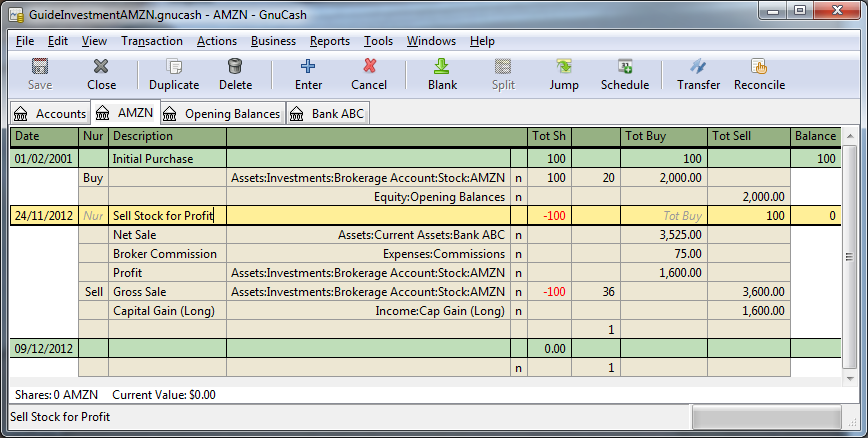
$36 per share. In the split transaction scheme above, PRICEBUY is $20 (the original buying price),

NUM\_SHARES is 100, TOTALBUY is $2000 (the original buying cost), GROSS\_SALE is $3600, and

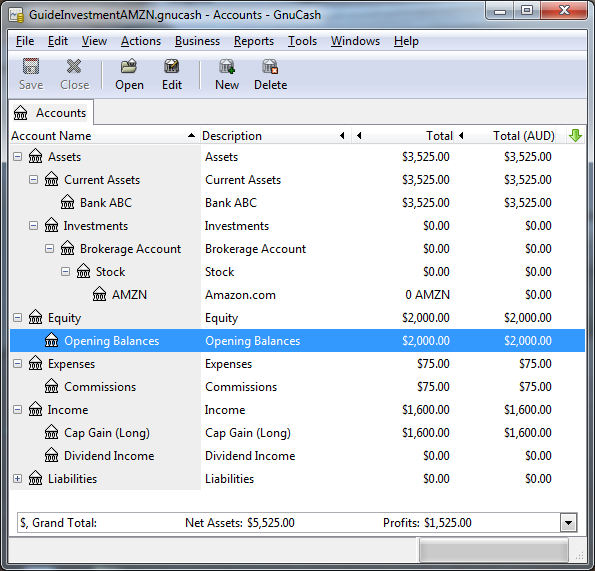
finally PROFIT is $1525 (GROSS\_SALE – TOTALBUY - COMMISSION).

**Table 8.2. Selling Stock Split Transaction Scheme**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Account* | *Shares* | *Price* | *Buy* | *Sell* |
| Assets:Current Assets:Bank |  |  | 3525.00 |  |
| Assets:Investments:Brokerage Account:Stock:SYMBOL | **-**100 | 36.00 |  | 3600 |
| Assets:Investments:Brokerage Account:Stock:SYMBOL | 0 | 0 | 1600.00 |  |
| Income:Capital Gains |  |  |  | 1600.00 |
| Expenses:Commissions |  |  | 75.00 |  |



An example of selling stock for gain. You bought 100 shares of AMZN for $20 per share, and sold for $36.



An image of the account tree after the example of selling stock for gain.

**Example - Sale of stock with loss**

As an example, assume you bought 10 shares of a stock for $100 per share, then later sell them all for

$90 per share. In the split transaction scheme below, PRICEBUY is $100 (the original buying price),

NUM\_SHARES is 10, TOTAL\_BUY is $1,000 (the original buying price), (Loss) is $100, and finally

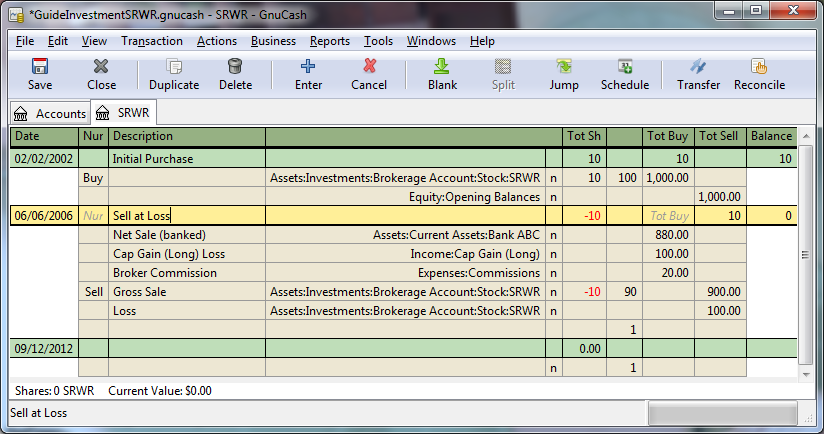
GROSS\_SALE is $900. Assume the commission was $20.00.

**Table 8.3. Selling Shares at loss Split Transaction Scheme**

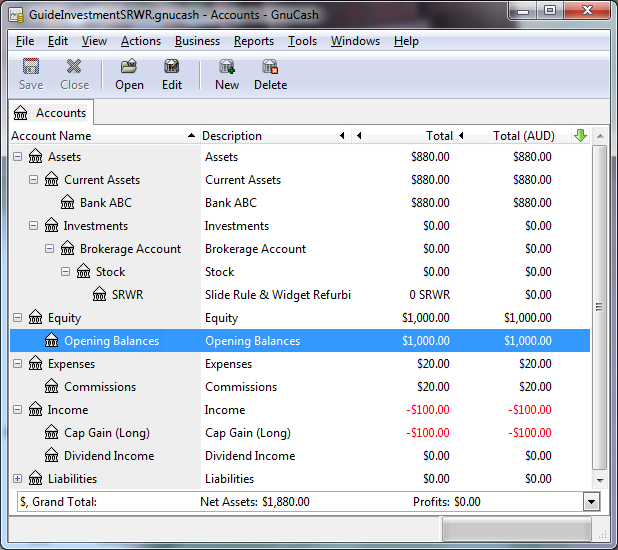
|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Account* | *Shares* | *Price* | *Buy* | *Sell* |
| Assets:Current Assets:Bank |  |  | 880.00 |  |
| Assets:Investments:Brokerage Account:Stock:SYMBOL | **-**10 | 90.00 |  | 900.00 |
| Assets:Investments:Brokerage Account:Stock:SYMBOL | 0 | 0 |  | 100.00 |
| Income:Capital Gains |  |  | 100.00 | 0 |
| Expenses:Commissions |  |  | 20 |  |

Note: You may either enter the loss as a positive number in the “buy” column or as a negative number in

the “sell” column, GnuCash will move the “negative profit” to the other column.



Above is a screenshot of the example of selling stock. You bought 10 shares for $100.00 per share, and sold for $90.



An image of the account tree after the example of selling stock for loss.