

# Stack & Arithmetic Expression

Last-In-First-Out (LIFO)



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## Applic<sup>n</sup> 2: Arithmetic Expression (1/7)

### ■ Terms

- Expression:  $a = b + c * d$
- Operands:  $a, b, c, d$
- Operators:  $=, +, -, *, /, \%$

### ■ Precedence rules: Operators have priorities over one another as indicated in a table (which can be found in most books & our first few lectures)

- Example:  $*$  and  $/$  have higher precedence over  $+$  and  $-$ .
- For operators at the same precedence (such as  $*$  and  $/$ ), we process them from left to right

# Priority of operation

Priority	Operation
1	$\wedge$ , unary (-) , unary (+), Not
2	$*$ , $/$ , AND, DIV , MOD
3	$+$ , $-$ , OR
4	$=$ , $<$ , $>$ , $<>$ , $<=$ , $>=$

## Applic<sup>n</sup> 2: Arithmetic Expression (2/7)

**Infix** : operand1 **operator** operand2

**Prefix** : **operator** operand1 operand2

**Postfix** : operand1 operand2 **operator**

Ambiguous, need ()  
or precedence rules

Unique interpretation

*infix*

$2+3*4$

$(2+3)*4$

$2+(3*4)$

*postfix*

$2\ 3\ +\ 4\ *$

$2\ 3\ 4\ *\ +$

## Applic<sup>n</sup> 2: Arithmetic Expression (3/7)

### Algorithm: Calculating Postfix expression with stack

Create an empty **stack**  
**for** each item of the expression,  
  **if** it is an **operand**,  
    **push** it on the **stack**  
  **if** it is an **operator**,  
    **pop** arguments from **stack**;  
    **perform the operation**;  
    **push** the result onto the **stack**

Infix

2 \* (3 + 4)

postfix

2 3 4 + \*

2 s.push(2)  
3 s.push(3)  
4 s.push(4)  
+ arg2 = s.pop ()  
  arg1 = s.pop ()  
  s.push (arg1 + arg2)  
\* arg2 = s.pop ()  
  arg1 = s.pop ()  
  s.push (arg1 \* arg2)

**Stack**

4
3 7
2 14

arg1

3 2

arg2

4 7

# Problems

**Find the result of arithmetic exp using concept of stack:**

**1.  $7+6*3/2$  convert to**

**2.  $(3+7) * 2-6$  convert to**

**3.  $ab*cde^/+$  where  $a=5, b=6, c=8, d=2, e=2$**

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### Brief steps for Infix to Postfix Conversion

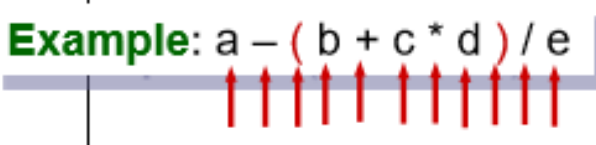
1. Scan infix expression from left to right
2. If an **operand** is found, add it to the postfix expression.
3. If a "(" is found, push it onto the stack.
4. If a ")" is found
  - a) repeatedly pop the stack and add the popped operator to the postfix expression until a "(" is found.
  - b) remove the "(".
5. If an **operator** is found
  - a) repeatedly pop the operator from stack which has **higher or equal precedence** than/to the operator found, and add the popped operator to the postfix expression.
  - b) add the new operator to stack
6. If **no more token** in the infix expression, repeatedly pop the operator from stack and add it to the postfix expression.

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Algorithm: Converting Infix to an equivalent Postfix

ch	Stack (bottom to top)	postfixExp
a	—	a
—	—	a
(	— (	a
b	— (	a b
+	— ( +	a b
c	— ( +	a b c
*	— ( + *	a b c
d	— ( + *	a b c d
)	— ( +	a b c d *
	— (	a b c d * +
	—	a b c d * +
/	— /	a b c d * +
e	— /	a b c d * + e
		a b c d * + e / —

**Example:**  $a - (b + c * d) / e$



Move operators from stack to postfixExp until '('

Copy remaining operators from stack to postfixExp



## Applic<sup>n</sup> 2: Arithmetic Expression (7/7)

- How to code the above algorithm in **Python**
- How to do conversion of infix to prefix?

Code: [Prefix.py](#) | [Infix.py](#)

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# Call Function

- Begin {this is the main program}
- 100 Call A
- 102 -
- -
- 200 Call B -
- 202 -
- 300 Call
- 302 -
- -
- end

# Problems

**A) Write an algorithm** to read string end with (\*) and print it in reverse order

**B) Convert** the following **infix exp.** To **Postfix exp.** Using the concept of Stack

1-  $a-b*(c+d)/(e-f)^g*h$

2-  $y*m+(a^3/b-n)-d$

3-  $m= x/6+(a-2*(b/3)^5+f)^2$

4-  $(a>b) \text{ and } ((e-c>a)\text{or}(g<f))$

5-  $B-a+c \text{ and } n^x-(p/M \text{ or } f^2)$

### 6.1.1 The Stack Abstract Data Type

Stacks are the simplest of all data structures, yet they are also among the most important. They are used in a host of different applications, and as a tool for many more sophisticated data structures and algorithms. Formally, a stack is an abstract data type (ADT) such that an instance  $S$  supports the following two methods:

**$S.push(e)$ :** Add element  $e$  to the top of stack  $S$ .

**$S.pop()$ :** Remove and return the top element from the stack  $S$ ;  
an error occurs if the stack is empty.

Additionally, let us define the following accessor methods for convenience:

**$S.top()$ :** Return a reference to the top element of stack  $S$ , without removing it; an error occurs if the stack is empty.

**$S.is\_empty()$ :** Return True if stack  $S$  does not contain any elements.

**$len(S)$ :** Return the number of elements in stack  $S$ ; in Python, we implement this with the special method `__len__`.

By convention, we assume that a newly created stack is empty, and that there is no a priori bound on the capacity of the stack. Elements added to the stack can have arbitrary type.

**Example 6.3:** *The following table shows a series of stack operations and their effects on an initially empty stack  $S$  of integers.*

Operation	Return Value	Stack Contents
$S.push(5)$	—	[5]
$S.push(3)$	—	[5, 3]
$len(S)$	2	[5, 3]
$S.pop()$	3	[5]
$S.is\_empty()$	False	[5]
$S.pop()$	5	[]
$S.is\_empty()$	True	[]
$S.pop()$	“error”	[]
$S.push(7)$	—	[7]
$S.push(9)$	—	[7, 9]
$S.top()$	9	[7, 9]
$S.push(4)$	—	[7, 9, 4]
$len(S)$	3	[7, 9, 4]
$S.pop()$	4	[7, 9]
$S.push(6)$	—	[7, 9, 6]
$S.push(8)$	—	[7, 9, 6, 8]
$S.pop()$	8	[7, 9, 6]

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The following table shows a series of stack operations . Find the Return Value and Stack Contents:

Operations	Return Value	Stack Contents
S.Push(1)		
S.Push(2)		
S.Push(3)		
len(S)		
S.is_empty()		
S.Push(4)		
S.Push(5)		
len(S)		
S.top()		
S.Pop()		
len(S)		
S.Pop()		
S.Pop()		
S.top()		
len(S)		
S.Push(6)		