



# 15 Data Structure: Stack and Queue

Programming in C

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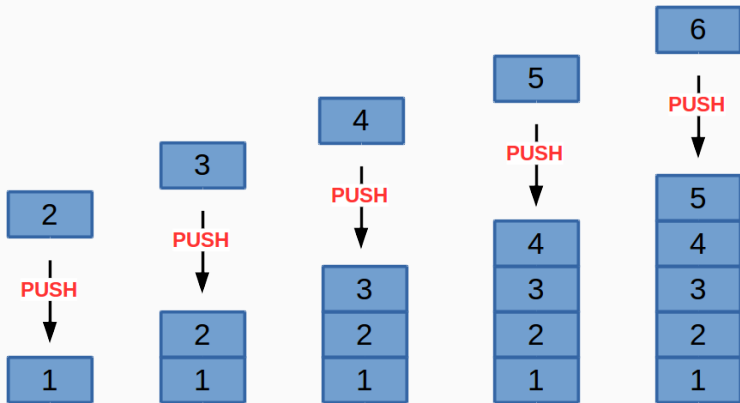
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# Stack

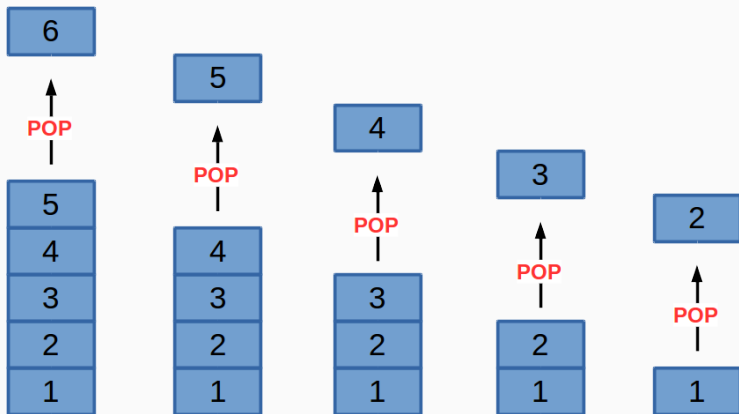
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- In computer science, a stack is a data structure (**abstract data type**) that serves as a collection of elements, with **two principal operations**:
  1. **push**: adds an element to the collection.
  2. **pop**: removes **the most recently added element** that was not yet removed.

# Push



# Pop



**LIFO: Last in, First out.**

# Where is Stack in My Computer??

- Compiler.
  - Parentheses matching.
- Function Call.
  - Stacks entered the computer science literature in 1946, when [Alan M. Turing](#) used the terms **bury** and **unbury** as a means of calling and returning from subroutines.

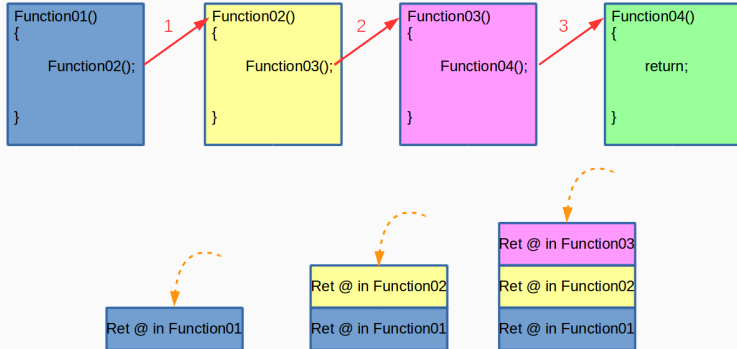
# Parentheses Matching

Are the following lines valid or invalid?

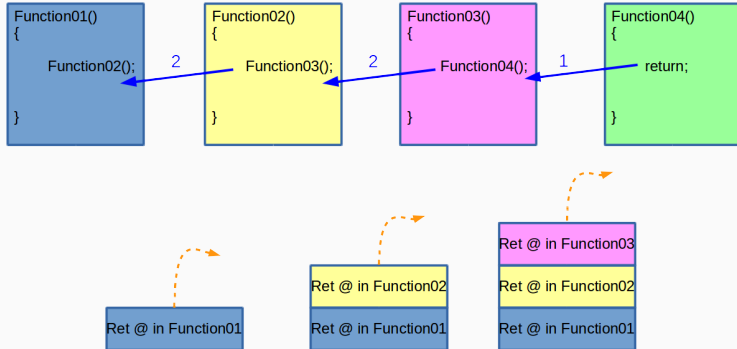
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# Function Call



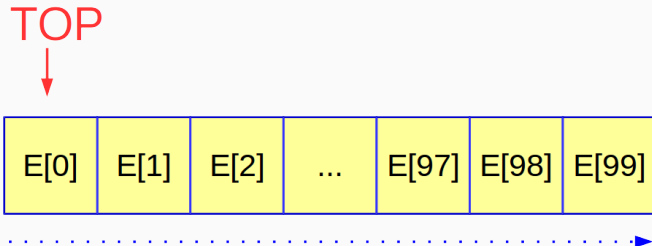
# Function Call



# Array-based Implementation

```
#define MAX_SIZE      (100)

typedef struct _sStack
{
    size_t    top;
    int32_t   elements[MAX_SIZE];
} sStack;
```



## Push and Pop

```
int32_t push_stack( sStack *pS, int32_t val )
{
    pS -> elements[ pS -> top ] = val;
    pS -> top += 1;
    return 0;
}
```

```
int32_t pop_stack( sStack *pS, int32_t *pVal )
{
    pS -> top -= 1;
    *pVal = pS -> elements[ pS -> top ];
    return 0;
}
```

Please see `stack.array`.

## Parentheses Balance

A string of this type is said to be **Parentheses Balanced** if

1. if it is the empty string.
2. if A and B are correct, AB is correct.
3. if A is correct, (A), [A], {A} is correct.

Write a function to decide if a given string is Parentheses Balanced.

How to do this?

- Undoubtedly, left one and right one should be **symmetric**.
- When we see a right parenthesis, the last parenthesis must be left and we can cancel this parenthesis pair.
- If we can remove all parentheses, the input must be Parentheses Balanced.

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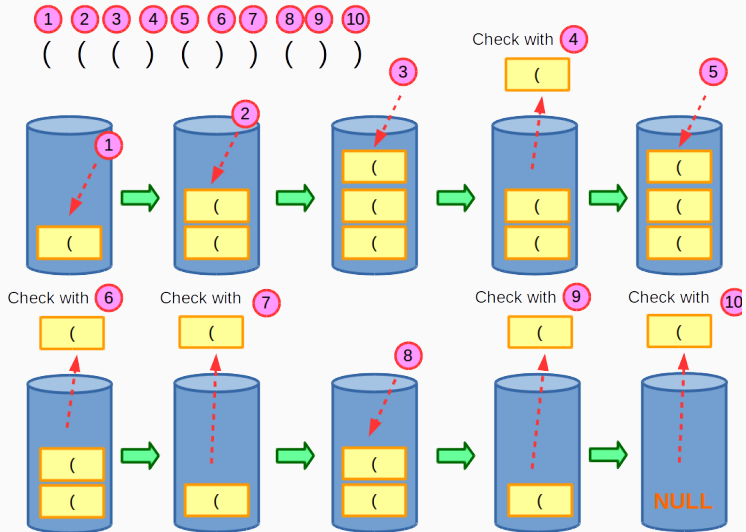
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  3. (())()
  4. (())
  5. ()
  6. NULL

# Solved with a Stack



Please see `balance.c`.



## Practice: Latex Begin End Balance

You may know that all my slides are made from latex. You do not know latex syntax and that is fine. I will teach you a little bit.

There are lots of **blocks** in a latex file. One block starts with a keyword **begin** and ends with a keyword **end**. The example is as follows:

```
\begin{displaymath}  
\end{displaymath}
```

There may be lots of **keywords**, like `displaymath` in the example. Please write a program to check if a given latex file is balanced with `begin` and `end`.

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Sure! Actually, Linus's implementation can be treated as a stack.

Please implement a stack with `list.h` used in the previous section.

# Queue

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- What is a **Queue**:
  - A queue is an **ordered list** where **all insertions take place at the rear** while **deletions occur at the front**.
  - Also known as **First-In-First-Out (FIFO)**.
- A real world example:



- Two Main Operations:
  1. **enqueue**: insert an element at the end.
  2. **dequeue**: remove the element at the front.
- Other Useful Operations:
  - **size**
  - **isEmpty**

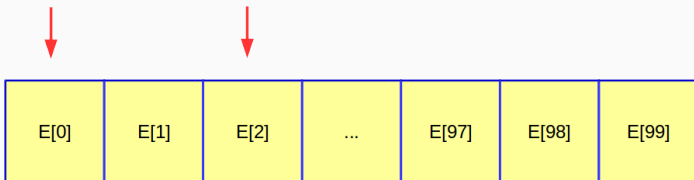


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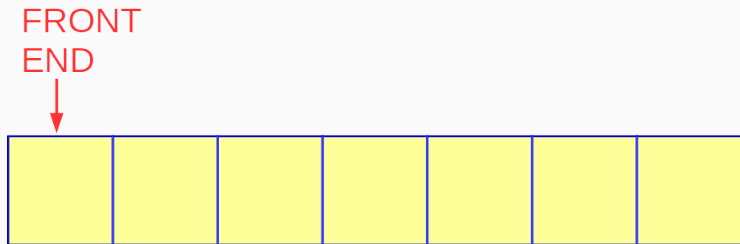
typedef struct _sQueue
{
    size_t    front;
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FRONT      END

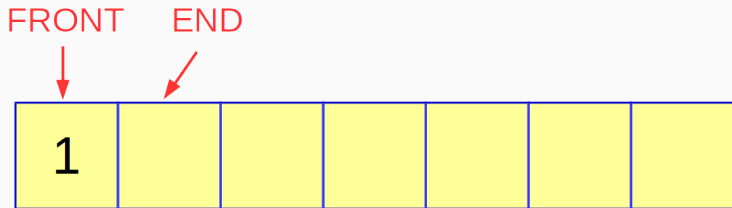


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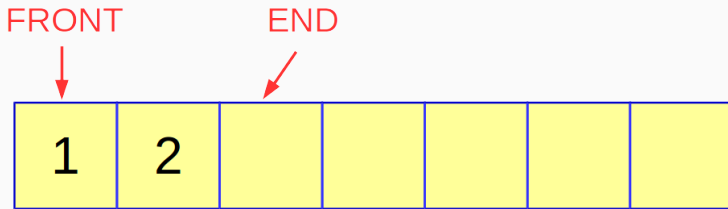
- Enqueue 1



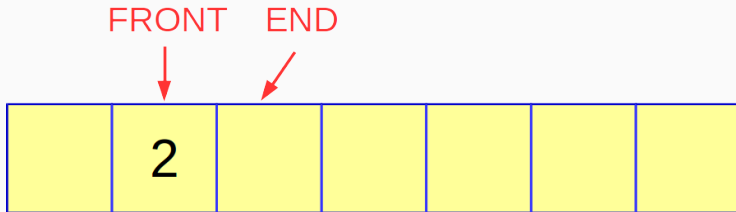
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- Dequeue



## Array-based Implementation

```
int32_t enqueue( sQueue *pQ, int32_t val )
{
    pQ -> elements[ pQ -> end ] = val;
    pQ -> end++;
    return 0;
}
```

```
int32_t dequeue( sQueue *pQ, int32_t *pVal )
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    *pVal = pQ -> elements[ pQ -> front ];
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What is the problem?

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    return 0;
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{
    *pVal = pQ -> elements[ pQ -> front ];
    pQ -> front = ( pQ -> front + 1 ) % MAX_SIZE;
    return 0;
}
```

Please see `queue.array`.

Please modify the code so that when a new element is enqueued, the oldest element will be removed.



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# Classic Problems

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We have learned some data structures.  
Now we will use them to solve some classic  
problems.

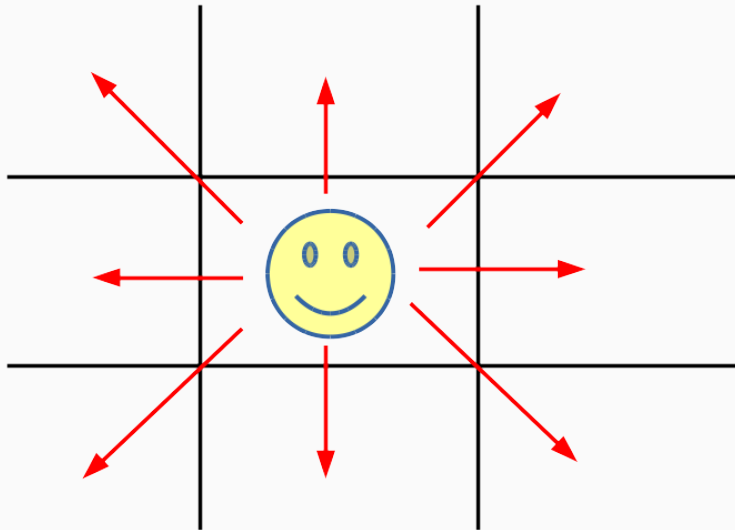
- Maze Problems.
- Postfix from Infix.
- Service Simulation.

## Please Find a Path

0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
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1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0

0: you can walk; 1: blocked.

# Movement



## Of Course, We can Do it By Hand

0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
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1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0

0: you can walk; 1: blocked.

- Push all possible movements into the stack.
- Pop the first element and then push all possible movements into the stack.
- Termination condition:
  - **Reach endpoint.**
  - **Empty stack:** No possible movements.



Please see maze.

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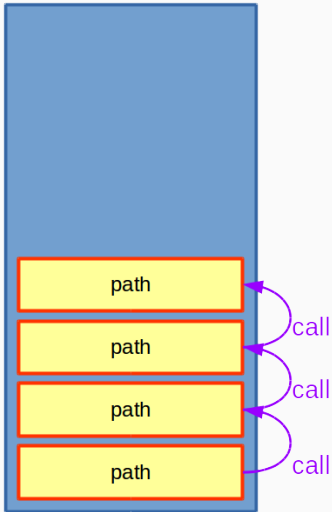
# I Do Not Like Stack

I can do this with **recursive way**.

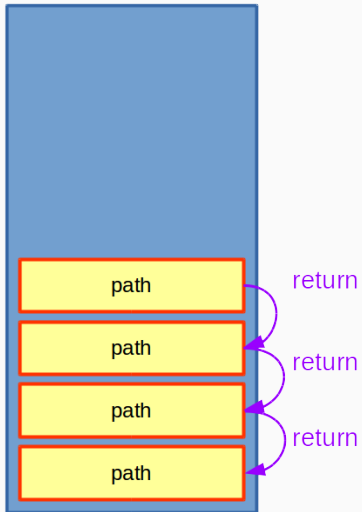
Please see maze3.

# Actually, This is still a Stack

Memory



Memory



# Infix, Postfix and Prefix

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Are you mad? Why do we need this??

# Because of Precedence

- Infix notation needs extra information to make the order of evaluation of the operators clear.
  - Operator precedence.
  - Brackets () to allow users to override these rules.
- Other two notations have no precedence issue and no brackets are allowed.
  - Always left-to-right.
  - So it will become very easy to calculate the result.

## Example

- Infix:

$$A/B - C + D \times E - A \times C$$

- Postfix:

$$AB/C - DE \times + AC \times -$$

1. Fully parenthesize the expression.
2. Move all operators so that they replace their corresponding right parentheses.
3. Delete all parentheses.

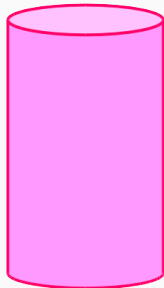
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1. Input:  $A/B - C + D \times E - A \times C$ .
2.  $((((A/B) - C) + (D \times E)) - (A \times C))$ .
3.  $((((A/B) - C) + (D \times E)) - (A \times C))$ .
4.  $AB/C - DE \times + AC \times -$

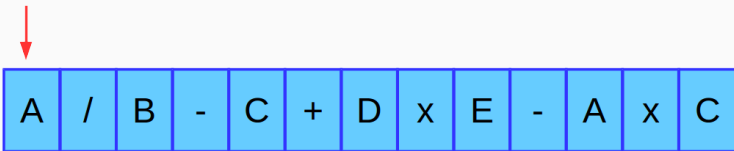
# How to Implement?

- Actually, parenthesis implies precedence.
- That is,
  - If the precedence of the input. operator is greater than the precedence of the operator in the stack, push it.
  - Else, Pop all the operators from the stack which are greater than or equal to in precedence than that of the scanned operator. After doing that Push the input operator to the stack.

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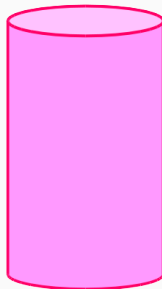


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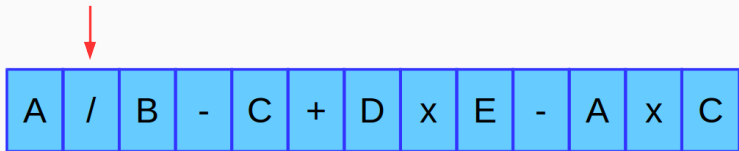
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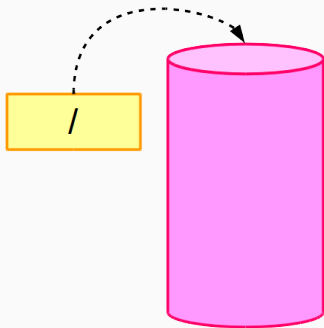




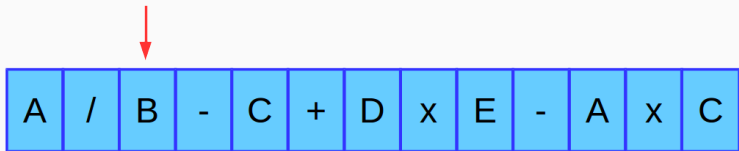
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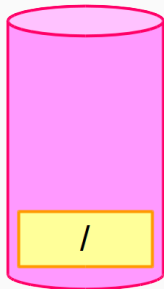
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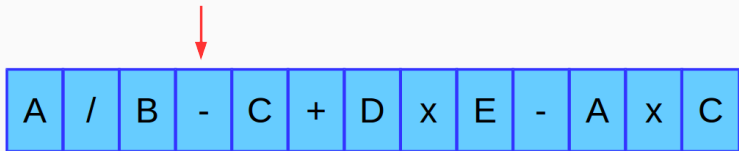
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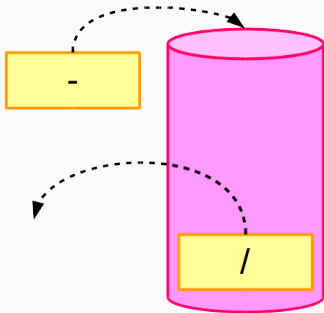
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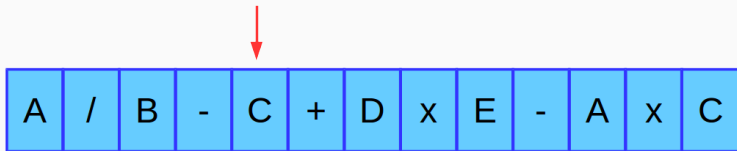
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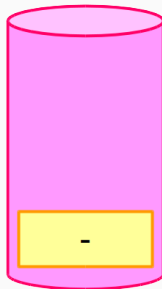
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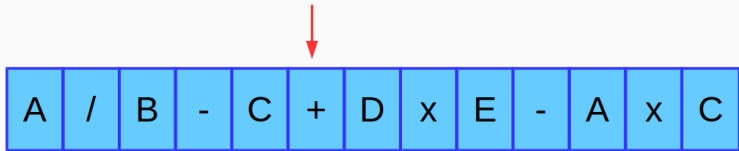
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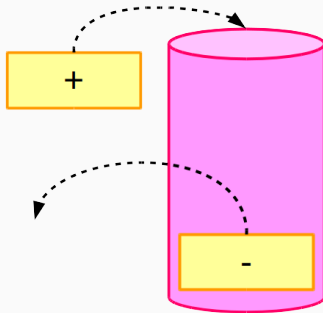
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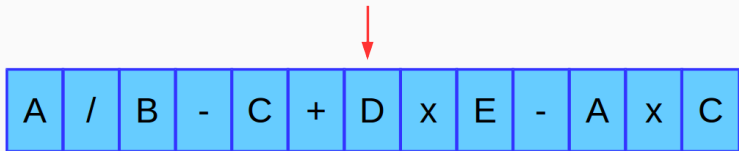
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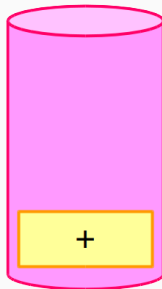
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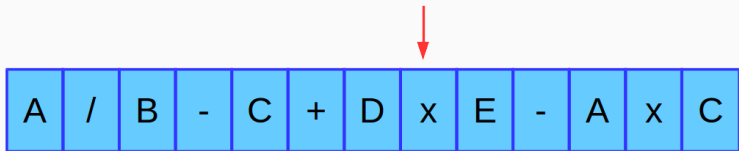
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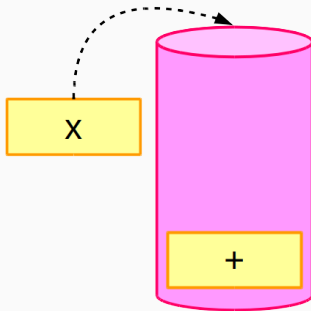
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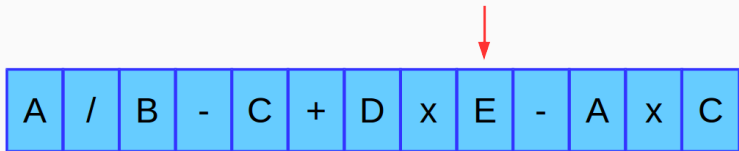
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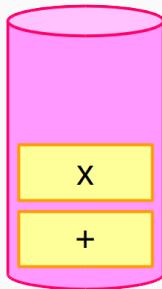
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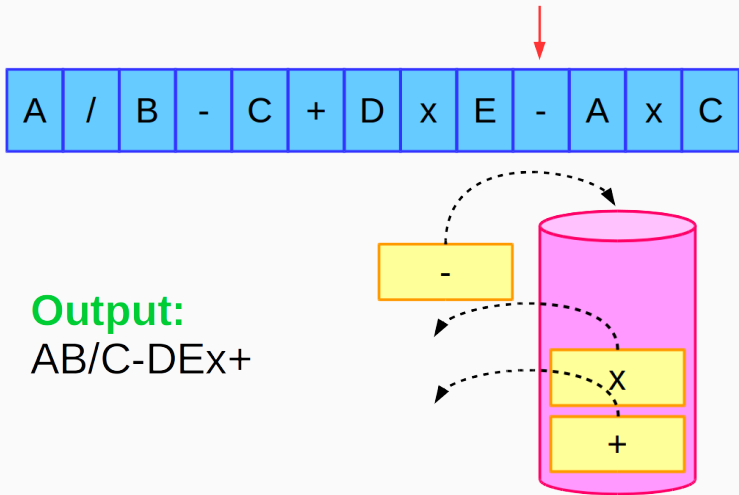


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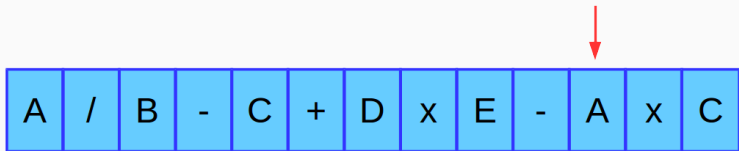




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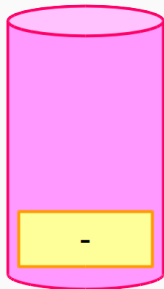


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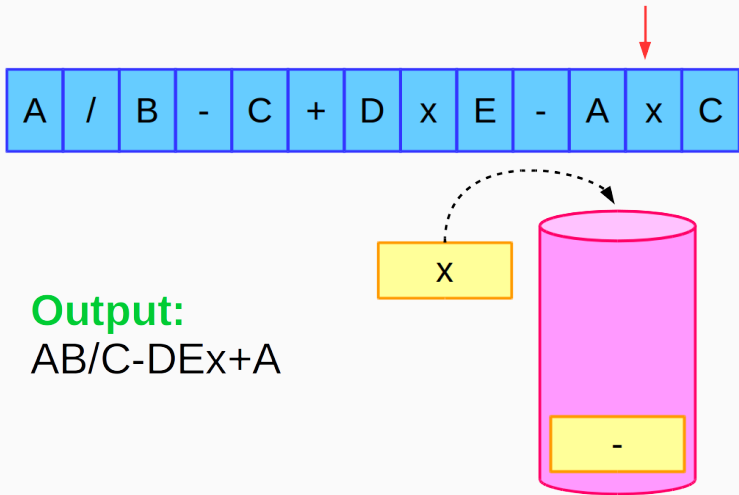


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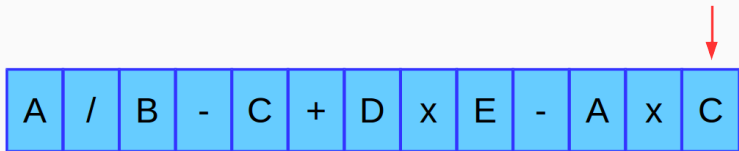
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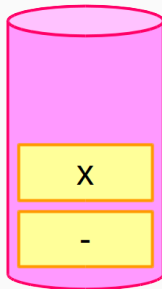


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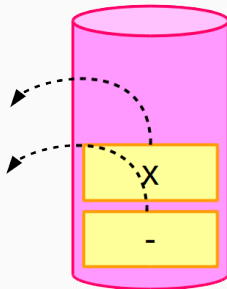


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Please see postfix.

The example code does not consider `()`, please implement this feature.

Besides, please implement the calculator again.

# Service Simulation

Service simulation:

- The supermarket opens 12-hour a day.
- The customer's service time is a random number from 1 to 4.
- The customer's arrival time is a random number from 1 to 4.

Please write a program to simulate the scenario and answer some questions.





1. What is the maximum number of customers in the queue?
2. What is the longest/average wait any one customer experience?
3. What happens if the arrival interval is changed from 1-4 minutes to 1-3 minutes?

Please see `service.simulation`.

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Actually, there is a class called **Queuing Theorem**.

# The End of Programming

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- We are in the CSIE department. Programming is undoubtedly a necessary skill for everyone.
- The only way to improve your skill is to **practice more** and **think more**.
- Learning is a **never-ending** thing and no one can help you.

*Congratulations and Good Luck!*