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Hand-out

Construction of Expression Tree:

For constructing an expression tree we use a stack. We loop through input expression and do the following for every character.

1. If a character is an operand push that into the stack
2. If a character is an operator pop two values from the stack make them its child and push the current node again.

In the end, the only element of the stack will be the root of an expression tree.

Evaluating the expression represented by an expression tree:

Let t be the expression tree

Algorithm solve(t)

If t is not null then

 If t.value is operand then

 Return t.value

 A = solve(t.left)

 B = solve(t.right)

 // calculate applies operator 't.value'

 // on A and B, and returns value

 Return calculate(A, B, t.value)

//Helper Code for constructing the expression tree and traversing in inorder

struct et

{

char value;

 et* left, *right;

};

// function to check if 'c' is an operator

bool isOperator(**char** c)

{

if (c == '+' || c == '-' ||
 c == '*' || c == '/' ||
 c == '^')

return true;

return false;

}

// function to do inorder traversal

void inorder(et *t)

{

if(t)

 {

 inorder(t->left);

printf(" %c ", t->value);

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        inorder(t->right);
    }
}

// function to create a new node
et* newNode(char v)
{
    et *temp = new et;
    temp->left = temp->right = NULL;
    temp->value = v;
    return temp;
};

// Returns root of constructed tree for given
// postfix expression
et* constructTree(char postfix[])
{
    stack<et *> st;
    et *t, *t1, *t2;

    // Traverse through every character of
    // input expression
    for (int i=0; i<strlen(postfix); i++)
    {
        // If operand, simply push into stack
        if (!isOperator(postfix[i]))
        {
            t = newNode(postfix[i]);
            st.push(t);
        }
        else // operator
        {
            t = newNode(postfix[i]);

            // Pop two top nodes
            t1 = st.top(); // Store top
            st.pop();      // Remove top
            t2 = st.top();
            st.pop();

            // make them children
            t->right = t1;
            t->left = t2;

            // Add this subexpression to stack
            st.push(t);
        }
    }
}

// only element will be root of expression
// tree
t = st.top();

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st.pop();
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return t;
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}
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