

## expression conversion

## Application of Stack

| Infix  
| Prefix  
| Postfix

Assume only binary operators.

Infix     $\langle \text{operand} \rangle \langle \text{operator} \rangle \langle \text{operand} \rangle$

- Evaluation
- conversion.

$$2 \neq 3 * 5$$

$$2 + 5 * 3 = 2 * 10 / 5$$

Preference rule

1.  $( ) , \{ \} , [ ]$

2. exponent  $a^k$   $\leftarrow$  right associative

3. multiplication and division  $\leftarrow$  left associative.

4. Addition and subtraction.

$$a * b / c$$

Associativity rule

$$2^{2^2}$$

$a + b * c$  convert it to postfix.

How?? manually.

$$a + b * c$$

$$= (a + (b * c))$$

$$= (\underline{a} + \underline{b c *})$$

$$= (a (b c *) +)$$

$$= a b c * +$$

Prefix

$$a + b * c$$

$$= (a + (b * c))$$

$$= (\underline{a} + \underline{* b c})$$

$$= (+ a (* b c))$$

$$= + a * b c$$

Ex<sup>m</sup>

$2 + 5 * 4 - 3 + 6 / 2$  convert into postfix.

Ans

2 5 4 \* 3 - + 6 / 2 +

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$$\left( \left( 2 + \underbrace{(5 * 4)}_a \right) - 3 \right) + \underbrace{(6 / 2)}_b$$

$$2 + a - 3 + b$$
$$\left( (2 + a) - 3 \right) + b$$

# Evaluation of prefix or postfix expression.

$$a b * c d * + e -$$

Let  $a = 3, b = 5, c = 2, d = 4, e = 6$

$$3 5 * 2 4 * + 6 -$$

token — either a number  
or an operator

Scan from left to right.

op1 op2  $\downarrow$  operator

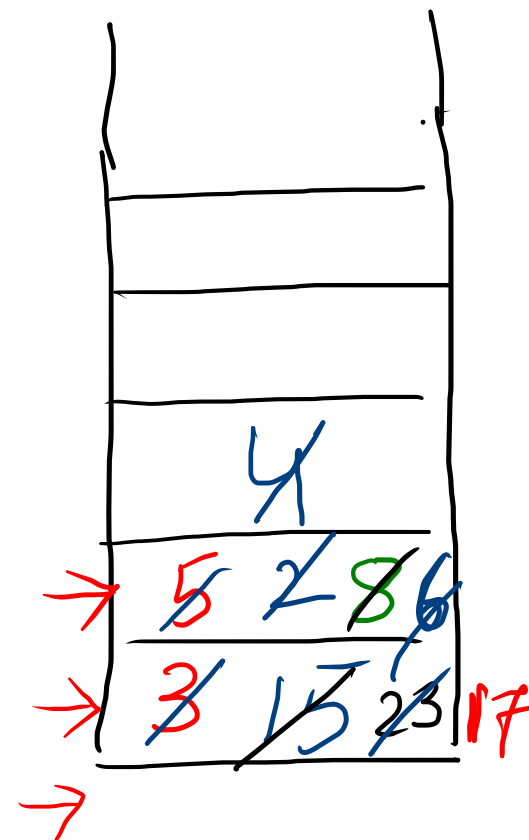
$$3 \quad 5 \quad * \quad 2 \quad 4 \quad * \quad + \quad 6 \quad -$$

$$= 15 \quad 2 \quad 4 \quad * \quad + \quad 6 \quad -$$

$$= 15 \quad 8 \quad + \quad 6 \quad -$$

$$= 23 \quad 6 \quad -$$

$$= 17$$



op1 operator op2

op2 = pop  
op1 = pop

## Pseudocode

Postfix-evaluation (E)  $\rightarrow$  expression. in postfix.

create a stack S

for  $i = 0$  to  $\text{size}(E) - 1$

if  $E[i]$  is an operand

└ Push (S,  $E[i]$ )

else if  $E[i]$  is an operator.

op2 = Pop(S)

op1 = Pop(S)

result = evaluation (op1,  $E[i]$ , op2)

Push (S, result)

return top(S)

$$\equiv^m (((5 * 3) - (2 / 1)) + 6)$$

$$(5 * 3) - (2 / 1) + 6$$

$$5 * 3 \quad 2 // 1 \quad - \quad 6 \quad +$$

## Prefix evaluation

$$(((3 * 5) + (2 * 4)) - 6)$$

$$= ((* 3 5) + (* 2 4)) - 6$$

$$= + * 3 5 * 2 4 - 6$$

$$= - + * 3 5 * 2 4 6$$

A.W.

	<del>3</del>	
<del>2</del>	<del>5</del>	<del>15</del>
<del>4</del>	<del>8</del>	<del>23</del>
<del>6</del>	17	