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

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


Translation from Infix to Postfix(1)

- The order of operands is the same in infix and postfix
- During scanning the infix expression left-to-right,
 - operands are passed to the output expression as they are encountered
 - stack operators as long as the precedence of the operator at the top is less than the precedence of the incoming operator
 - If the operator with higher or equal precedence is on the top of the stack, it is removed first
- Unstack when reaching eos(end of string)

Exercise

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

Token	Stack [0] [1] [2]	Top	
6		-1	6
/	/	0	6
2	/	0	6 2
-	-	0	6 2 /
3	-	0	6 2 / 3
+	+	0	6 2 / 3 -
4	+	0	6 2 / 3 - 4
*	+	1	6 2 / 3 - 4
2	+	1	6 2 / 3 - 4 2
eos		-1	6 2 / 3 - 4 2 * +

Translation from Infix to Postfix(2)

- When meeting the left parenthesis, put it on the stack always
- When meeting the right parenthesis, unstack until reaching the corresponding left parenthesis

Exercise – program 3.11: postfix

- $a * (b + c) * d$

Token	Stack [0] [1] [2]	Top	Output
a		-1	a
*	*	0	a
(* (1	a
b	* (1	a b
+	* (+	2	a b c
c	* (+	2	a b c
)	* (0	a b c +
*	*	0	a b c + *
d	*	0	a b c + * d
eos		-1	a b c + * d *

precedence of operators

- an example of precedence values

	()	+	-	*	/	%	eos
in-stack	?	9	2	2	4	4	4	0
incoming	?	9	2	2	4	4	4	0