CHAPTER 3
STACKS AND QUEUES

3.1 The stack abstract data type

– A *stack* is an ordered list in which insertions and deletions are made at one end called the *top*.

- Given a stack $S = (a_0, \ldots, a_{n-1})$, we say that a_0 is the bottom element, a_{n-1} is the top element, and a_i is on top of element a_{i-1}, $0 < i < n$.
- The restrictions on the stack imply that if we add the elements *A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, *E* to the stack, in that order, then *E* is the first element we delete from the stack
  - Figure 3.1 illustrates this sequence of operations.
- Since the last element inserted into a stack is the first element removed, a stack is also known as a *Last-In-First-Out* (*LIFO*) list.

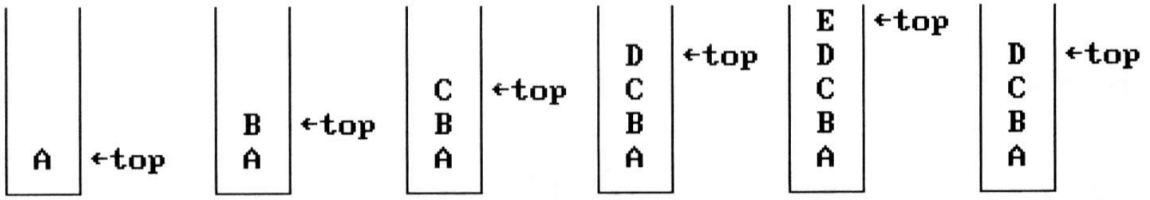

Figure 3.1: Inserting and deleting elements in a stack

– The ADT specification of the stack is shown in Structure 3.1

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structure *Stack* is
  objects: a finite ordered list with zero or more elements.
  functions:
    for all *stack* ∈ *Stack*, *item* ∈ *element*, *max_stack_size* ∈ positive integer
    Stack CreateS(*max_stack_size*) ::=
                create an empty stack whose maximum size is *max_stack_size*
    Boolean IsFull(*stack*, *max_stack_size*) ::=
                if (number of elements in *stack* == *max_stack_size*)
                return *TRUE*
                else return *FALSE*
    Stack Add(*stack*, *item*) ::=
                if (IsFull(*stack*)) *stack_full*
                else insert *item* into top of *stack* and **return**
    Boolean IsEmpty(*stack*) ::=
                if (*stack* == CreateS(*max_stack_size*))
                return *TRUE*
                else return *FALSE*
    Element Delete(*stack*) ::=
                if (IsEmpty(*stack*)) **return**
                else remove and return the *item* on the top of the stack.

Structure 3.1: Abstract data type *Stack*

– The easiest way to implement this ADT is by using a one dimensional array, say stack[MAX_STACK_SIZE], where MAX_STACK_SIZE is the maximum number of entries.

Stack CreateS(*max_stack_size*) ::=

```
#define MAX_STACK_SIZE 100 /*maximum stack size*/
typedef struct {
        int key;
        /* other fields */
        } element;
element stack[MAX_STACK_SIZE];
int top = -1;
```

Boolean IsEmpty(Stack) ::= `top < 0;`

Boolean IsFull(Stack) ::= `top >= MAX_STACK_SIZE-1;`

```
void add(int *top, element item)
{
/* add an item to the global stack */
   if (*top >= MAX_STACK_SIZE-1) {
      stack_full();
      return;
   }
   stack[++*top] = item;
}
```

Program 3.1: Add to a stack

```
element delete(int *top)
{
/* return the top element from the stack */
   if (*top == -1)
      return stack_empty(); /* returns an error key */
   return stack[(*top)--];
}
```

Program 3.2: Delete from a stack

3.2 The queue abstract data type

– A *queue* is an ordered list in which all insertions take place at one end and all deletions take place at the opposite end.

- Given a queue $Q = (a_0, \ldots, a_{n-1})$, we say that a_0 is the front element, a_{n-1} is the rear element, and a_{i+1} is behind a_i, $0 \leq i < n-1$.
- The restrictions on the queue imply that if we insert the elements *A*, *B*, *C*, *D*, *E*, in that order, then *A* is the first element we delete from the queue
  - Figure 3.4 illustrates this sequence of operations.
- Since the first element inserted into a queue is the first element removed, a stack is also known as a *First-In-First-Out* (*FIFO*) list.

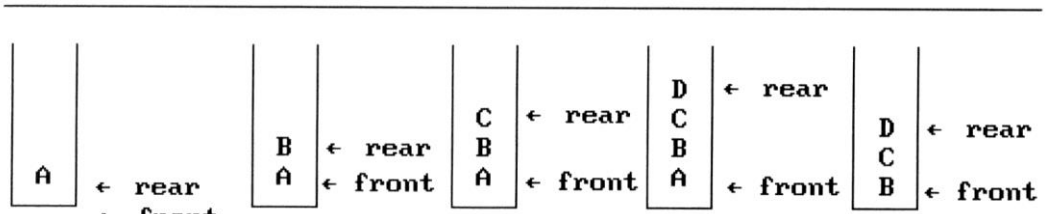

Figure 3.4: Inserting and deleting elements in a queue

– The ADT specification of the queue appears in Structure 3.2.

structure *Queue* is
  objects: a finite ordered list with zero or more elements.
  functions:
    for all *queue* ∈ *Queue*, *item* ∈ *element*, *max_queue_size* ∈ positive integer
    Queue CreateQ(*max_queue_size*) ::=
                create an empty queue whose maximum size is *max_queue_size*
    Boolean IsFullQ(*queue*, *max_queue_size*) ::=
                if (number of elements in *queue* == *max_queue_size*)
                return *TRUE*
                else return *FALSE*
    Queue AddQ(*queue*, *item*) ::=
                if (IsFullQ(*queue*)) *queue_full*
                else insert *item* at rear of *queue* and return *queue*
    Boolean IsEmptyQ(*queue*) ::=
                if (*queue* == CreateQ(*max_queue_size*))
                return *TRUE*
                else return *FALSE*
    Element DeleteQ(*queue*) ::=
                if (IsEmptyQ(*queue*)) **return**
                else remove and return the *item* at front of queue.

Structure 3.2: Abstract data type *Queue*

– The simplest way to implement this ADT is by using a one dimensional array and two variables, *front* and *rear*.

Queue CreateQ(*max_queue_size*) ::=

```
#define MAX_QUEUE_SIZE 100 /*Maximum queue size*/
        typedef struct {
                int key;
                /* other fields */
                } element;
element queue[MAX_QUEUE_SIZE];
int rear = -1;
int front = -1;
```

Boolean IsEmptyQ(*queue*) ::= `front == rear`

Boolean IsFullQ(*queue*) ::= `rear == MAX_QUEUE_SIZE-1`

```
void addq(int *rear, element item)
{
/* add an item to the queue */
   if (*rear == MAX_QUEUE_SIZE-1) {
      queue_full();
      return;
   }
   queue[++*rear] = item;
}
```

Program 3.3: Add to a queue

```
element deleteq(int *front, int rear)
{
/* remove element at the front of the queue */
   if (*front == rear)
      return queue_empty(); /*return an error key */
   return queue[++*front];
}
```

Program 3.4: Delete from a queue

– **Example 3.2 [*Job scheduling*]:**

- Figure 3.5 illustrates how an operating system might process jobs if it used a sequential representation for its queue.

front	*rear*	*Q*[0]	*Q*[1]	*Q*[2]	*Q*[3]	Comments
−1	−1					queue is empty
−1	0	J1				Job 1 is added
−1	1	J1	J2			Job 2 is added
−1	2	J1	J2	J3		Job 3 is added
0	2		J2	J3		Job 1 is deleted
1	2			J3		Job 2 is deleted

Figure 3.5: Insertion and deletion from a sequential queue

  – It should be obvious that as jobs enter and leave the system, the queue gradually shift to right. This means eventually the rear index equals *MAX_QUEUE_SIZE-1*, suggest the queue is full.
  – In this case, *queue_full* should move the entire queue to the left so that the first element is again at *queue*[0] and *front* is at -1. It should also recalculate *rear* so that it is correctly positioned.
    » Shifting an array is very time-consuming, particularly when there are many elements in it. In fact, *queue_full* has a worst case complexity of O(*MAX_QUEUE_SIZE*).
  – We can obtain a more efficient representation if we regard the array *queue*[*MAX_QUEUE_SIZE*] as circular.

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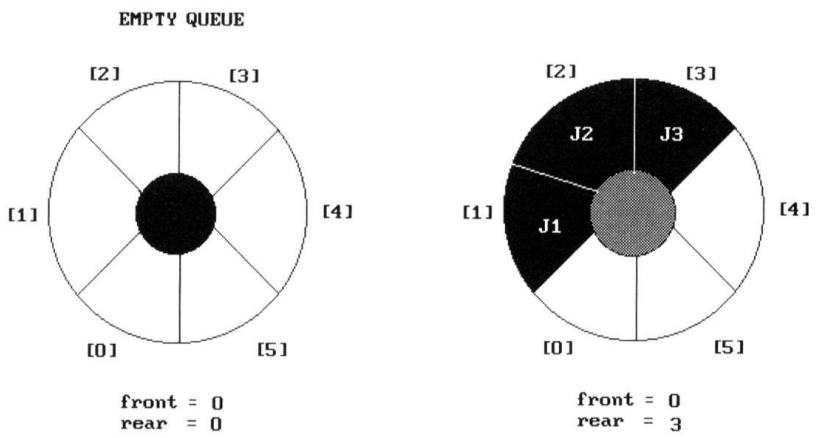

Figure 3.6: Empty and nonempty circular queues

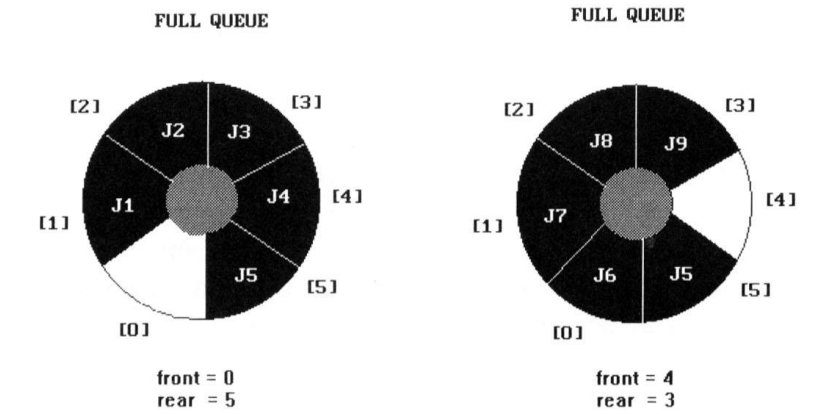

Figure 3.7: Full circular queues

Implementation

In order to implement such a circular queue, we need to perform two pointer operations:

*rear = (*rear+1)%Max_Q_size

*front = (*front+1)%Max_Q_size

Where % is the modulo operation and Max_Q_size is the queue size (6 in this example).

– Implementing *addq* and *deleteq* for a circular queue is slightly more difficult since we must assure that a circular rotation occurs.

```
void addq(int front, int *rear, element item)
{
/* add an item to the queue */
   *rear = (*rear+1) % MAX_QUEUE_SIZE;
   if (front == *rear) {
      queue_full(rear); /* reset rear and print error*/
      return;
   }
   queue[*rear] = item;
}
```

Program 3.5: Add to a circular queue

```
element deleteq(int *front, int rear)
{
  element item;
  /* remove front element from the queue and put it in
 item */
     if (*front == rear)
        return queue_empty(); /* queue_empty returns an
       error key */
     *front = (*front+1) % MAX_QUEUE_SIZE;
     return queue[*front];
}
```

Program 3.6: Delete from a circular queue

3.3 A mazing problem

– In creating this program the first issue that confronts us is the representation of the maze.
  - The most obvious choice is a two dimensional array in which zeros represent the open paths and ones the barriers.
  - Figure 3.8 shows a simple maze.
  - Notice that not every position has eight neighbors.
    – To avoid checking for these border conditions we can surround the maze by a border of ones. Thus an $m \times p$ maze will require an $(m+2) \times (p+2)$ array.
    – The entrance is at position [1][1] and the exit at [m][p].

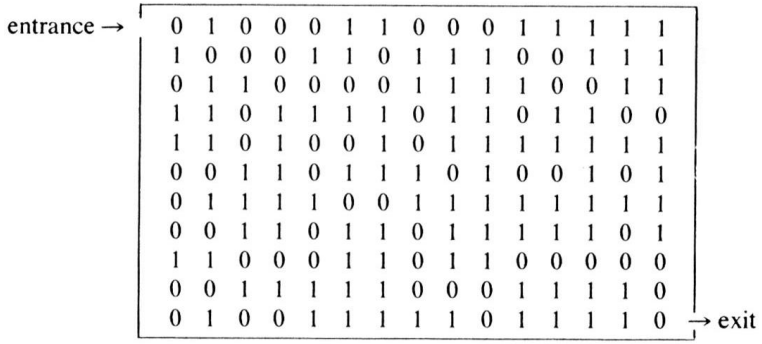

Figure 3.8: An example maze

– If X marks the spot of our current location, maze[row][col], then Figure 3.9 shows the possible moves from this position.

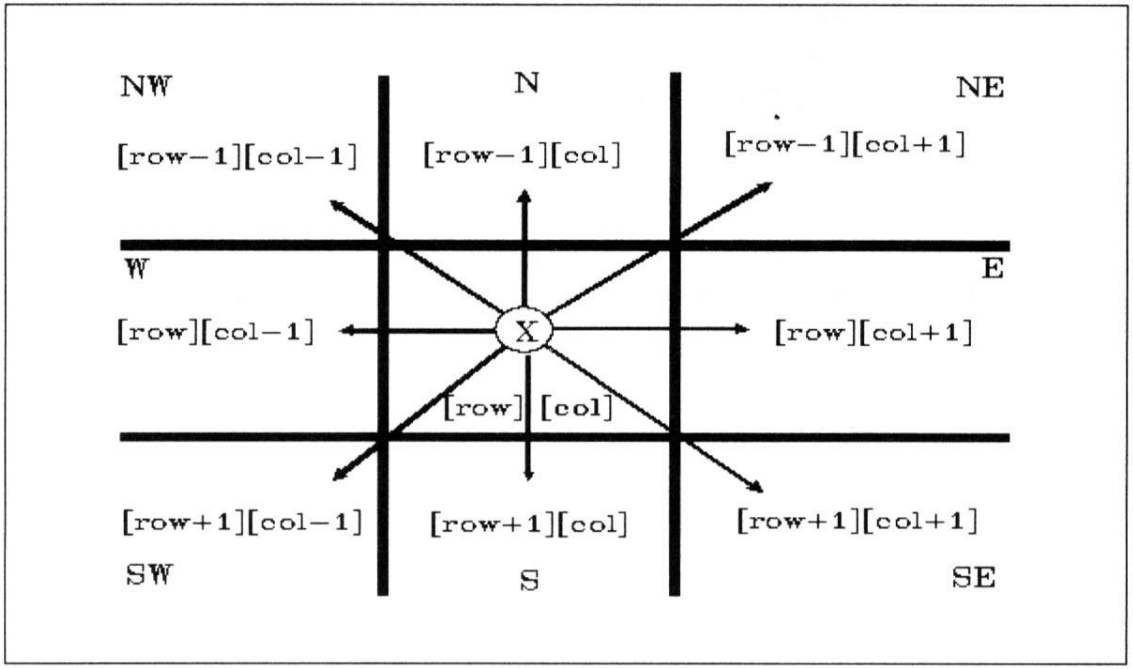

Figure 3.9: Allowable moves

– Another device that will simplify the problem is to predefine the possible directions to move in an array, *move*, as in Figure 3.10.
  - This is obtained from Figure 3.9.

Name	Dir	*move[dir].vert*	*move[dir].horiz*
N	0	−1	0
NE	1	−1	1
E	2	0	1
SE	3	1	1
S	4	1	0
SW	5	1	−1
W	6	0	−1
NW	7	−1	−1

Figure 3.10: Table of moves

– Program 3.7 is our initial attempt at a maze traversal algorithm.
  - It use a stack to save our current position.
  - It maintain a second two-dimensional array, *mark*, to record the maze positions already checked.

```
initialize a stack to the maze's entrance coordinates and
direction to north;
while (stack is not empty) {
   /* move to position at top of stack */
   <row,col,dir> = delete from top of stack;
   while (there are more moves from current position) {
      <next_row, next_col> = coordinates of next move;
      dir = direction of move;
      if ((next_row == EXIT_ROW) && (next_col == EXIT_COL))
         success;
      if (maze[next_row][next_col] == 0 &&
                  mark[next_row][next_col] == 0) {
      /* legal move and haven't been there */
         mark[next_row][next_col] = 1;
         /* save current position and direction */
         add <row,col,dir> to the top of the stack;
         row = next_row;
         col = next_col;
         dir = north;
      }
   }
}
printf("No path found\n");
```

Program 3.7: Initial maze algorithm

– Program 3.8 contains the maze search algorithm.

```
void path(void)
{
/* output a path through the maze if such a path exists */
   int i, row, col, next_row, next_col, dir, found = FALSE;
   element position;
   mark[1][1] = 1; top = 0;
   stack[0].row = 1;  stack[0].col = 1;  stack[0].dir = 1;
   while (top > -1 && !found) {
      position = delete(&top);
      row = position.row;  col = position.col;
      dir = position.dir;
      while (dir <  8 && !found) {
         /* move in direction dir */
         next_row = row + move[dir].vert;
         next_col = col + move[dir].horiz;
         if (next_row == EXIT_ROW && next_col == EXIT_COL)
            found = TRUE;
         else if ( !maze[next_row][next_col] &&
         ! mark[next_row][next_col]) {
            mark[next_row][next_col] = 1;
            position.row = row; position.col = col;
            position.dir = ++dir;
            add(&top, position);
            row = next_row; col = next_col; dir = 0;
         }
         else ++dir;
      }
   }
   if (found) {
      printf("The path is:\n");
      printf("row  col\n");
      for (i = 0; i <= top; i++)
         printf("%2d%5d",stack[i].row, stack[i].col);
      printf("%2d%5d\n",row,col);
      printf("%2d%5d\n",EXIT_ROW,EXIT_COL);
   }
   else printf("The maze does not have a path\n");
}
```

Program 3.8: Maze search function

- **Analysis of *path*:**
  - The worst case of computing time of *path* is O(*mp*), where *m* and *p* are, respectively, the number of rows and columns of the maze.

3.4 Evaluation of expressions

- Introduction
  - The representation and evaluation of expressions is of great interest to computer scientists.

```
((rear+1==front)||((rear==MAX_QUEUE_SIZE-1)&&!front))
(3.1)
x=a/b-c+d*e-a*c   (3.2)
```

  - If we examine expressions (3.1) and (3.2), we notice that they contains operators, operands, and parentheses.

– The first problem with understanding the meaning of these or any other expressions and statements is figuring out the order in which the operations are performed.
  - We would have written (3.2) differently by using parentheses to change the order of evaluation:

    ```
    x=((a/(b-c+d))*(e-a)*c    (3.3)
    ```

– Within any programming language, there is a precedence hierarchy that determines the order in which we evaluate operators.
  - Figure 3.12 contains the precedence hierarchy for C.

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Token	Operator	Precedence[1]	Associativity
() [] –> .	function call array element struct or union member	17	left-to-right
–– ++	increment, decrement[2]	16	left-to-right
–– ++ ! ~ – + & * sizeof	decrement, increment[3] logical not one's complement unary minus or plus address or indirection size (in bytes)	15	right-to-left
(type)	type cast	14	right-to-left
* / %	multiplicative	13	left-to-right
+ –	binary add or subtract	12	left-to-right
<< >>	shift	11	left-to-right
> >= < <=	relational	10	left-to-right
== !=	equality	9	left-to-right
&	bitwise and	8	left-to-right
^	bitwise exclusive or	7	left-to-right
|	bitwise or	6	left-to-right
&&	logical and	5	left-to-right
||	logical or	4	left-to-right
?:	conditional	3	right-to-left
= += –= /= *= %= <<= >>= &= ^= |=	assignment	2	right-to-left
,	comma	1	left-to-right

1. The precedence column is taken from Harbison and Steele.
2. Postfix form
3. Prefix form

Figure 3.12: Precedence hierarchy for C

- Evaluating postfix expressions
  - The standard way of writing expressions is known as infix notation because in it we place a binary operator in-between its two operands.
  - Although infix notation is the most common way of writing expressions, it is not the one used by compilers to evaluate expressions.
  - Instead compilers typically use a parenthesis-free notation referred to as postfix.
    - In this notation, each operator appears after its operands.
    - Figure 3.13 contains several infix expressions and their postfix equivalents.

Infix	Postfix
2+3*4	2 3 4*+
*a***b* +5	*ab**5+
(1+2)*7	1 2+7*
*a***b* /*c*	*ab***c* /
((*a* /(*b* −*c* +*d*))*(*e* −*a*)*c*	*abc* −*d* +/*ea* −*c**
a /*b* −*c* +*d***e* −*a***c*	*ab* /*c* −*de**+*ac**−

Figure 3.13: Infix and postfix notation

- Evaluating postfix expressions is much simpler than the evaluation of infix expressions because:
  - There are no parentheses to consider.
  - To evaluate an expression we make a single left-to-right scan of it.
    - » We can evaluate an expression easily by using a stack.
    - » Figure 3.14 shows this processing when the input is nine character string 6 2/3-4 2*+.
    - »

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

Figure 3.14: Postfix evaluation

X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

A B / C - D E * + A C * -

X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

B / C - D E * + A C * -

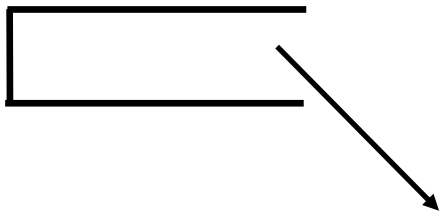
X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

A B / C - D E * + A C * -

X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

A B / C - D E * + A C * -

$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$



C - D E * + A C * -

$A/B = X_1$

$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$

X_1	C - D E * + A C * -

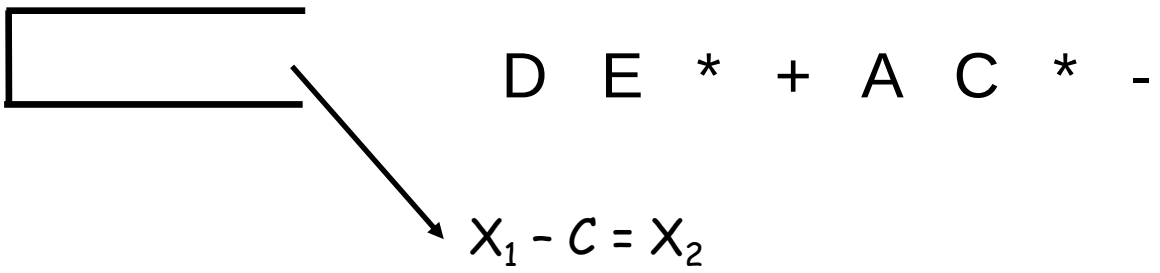
$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$

X_1 C	- D E * + A C * -

$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$

X_1 C -	D E * + A C * -

$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$



X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

X_2

D E * + A C * -

X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

X_2 D	E * + A C * -

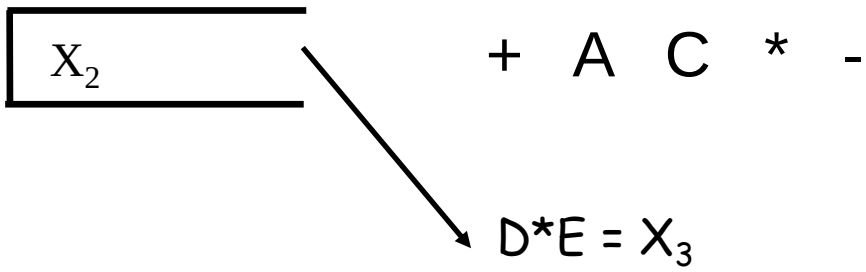
X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

X_2 D E	* + A C * -

$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$

X_2	D	E	*		+	A	C	*	-

$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$



$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$

$X_2\ X_3$ + A C * -

$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$

$X_2\ X_3\ +$ A C * -

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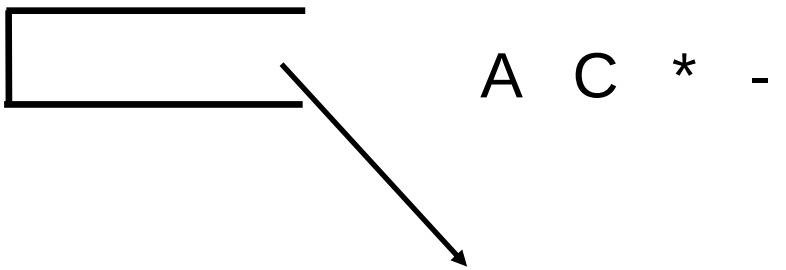

A C * -

$X_2 + X_3 = X_4$

X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

X_4

A C * -

X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

X_4 A	C * -

$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$

X_4	A	C		*	-

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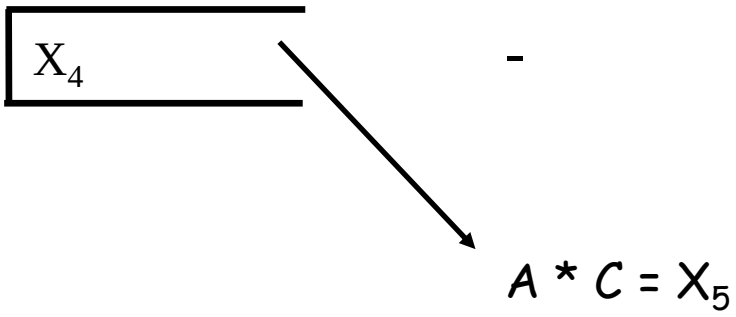

$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$

X_4 X_5 -

$$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$$

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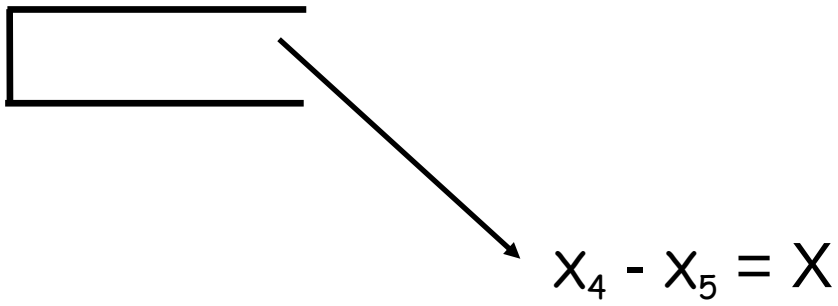

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- We now consider the representation of both the stack and the expression.

```
#define MAX_STACK_SIZE 100 /*maximum stack size*/
#define MAX_EXPR_SIZE 100 /*max size of expression*/
typedef enum {lparen ,rparen, plus, minus, times, divide,
                        mod, eos, operand} precedence;
int stack[MAX_STACK_SIZE]; /* global stack */
char expr[MAX_EXPR_SIZE]; /* input string */
```

(Next page: program 3.9, 3.10)

```
int eval(void)
{
/* evaluate a postfix expression, expr, maintained as a
global variable. '\0' is the the end of the expression.
The stack and top of the stack are global variables.
get_token is used to return the tokentype and
the character symbol. Operands are assumed to be single
character digits */
   precedence token;
   char symbol;
   int op1, op2;
   int n = 0; /* counter for the expression string */
   int top = -1;
   token = get_token(&symbol, &n);
   while (token != eos) {
      if (token == operand)
         add(&top, symbol-'0'); /* stack insert */
      else {
         /* remove two operands, perform operation, and
         return result to the stack */
         op2 = delete(&top); /*stack delete */
         op1 = delete(&top);
         switch(token) {
            case plus: add(&top,op1+op2);
                       break;
            case minus: add(&top, op1-op2);
                        break;
            case times: add(&top, op1*op2);
                        break;
            case divide: add(&top,op1/op2);
                         break;
            case mod: add(&top, op1%op2);
        }
      }
      token = get_token(&symbol, &n);
   }
   return delete(&top); /* return result */
}
```

Program 3.9: Function to evaluate a postfix expression

```
precedence get_token(char *symbol, int *n)
{
/* get the next token, symbol is the character
representation, which is returned, the token is
represented by its enumerated value, which
is returned in the function name */
   *symbol = expr[(*n)++];
   switch (*symbol) {
      case '(' : return lparen;
      case ')' : return rparen;
      case '+' : return plus;
      case '-' : return minus;
      case '/' : return divide;
      case '*' : return times;
      case '%' : return mod;
      case ' ' : return eos;
      default  : return operand; /* no error checking,
                                    default is operand */
   }
}
```

Program 3.10: Function to get a token from the input string

- Infix to postfix

  (第一法: 加括號的作法)

  - We can describe an algorithm for producing a postfix expression from an infix one as follows:

    Fully parenthesize the expression.

    Move all binary operators so that they replace their corresponding right parentheses.

    Delete all parentheses.

  - Example:

    a/b-c+d*e-a*c when fully parenthesize becomes:

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

    Performing steps 2 and 3 gives

    ab/c-de*+ac*-

(第二法: 不必加括號的作法)

- **Example 3.3 [*Simple expression*]:** Suppose we have the simple expression a+b*c, which yields abc*+ in postfix.

Token	Stack [0]	[1]	[2]	Top	Output
a				−1	*a*
+	+			0	*a*
b	+			0	*ab*
*	+	*		1	*ab*
c	+	*		1	*abc*
eos				−1	*abc**+

Figure 3.15: Translation of *a* +*b***c* to postfix

- **Example 3.3 [*Simple expression*]:** We use as our example the expression a*(b+c)*d, which yields abc+*d* in postfix.

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

Figure 3.16: Translation of *a**(*b* +*c*)**d* to postfix

- The function *postfix* (Program 3.11) convert an infix expression into a postfix one.

```
void postfix(void)
{
/* output the postfix of the expression. The expression
string, the stack, and top are global */
   char symbol;
   precedence token;
   int n = 0;
   int top = 0;    /* place eos on stack */
   stack[0] = eos;
   for (token = get_token(&symbol, &n); token != eos;
                              token = get_token(&symbol,&n)) {
      if (token == operand)
         printf("%c",symbol);
      else if (token == rparen) {
         /* unstack tokens until left parenthesis */
         while (stack[top] != lparen)
            print_token(delete(&top));
         delete(&top);  /* discard the left parenthesis */
      }
      else {
         /* remove and print symbols whose isp is greater
         than or equal to the current token's icp */
         while(isp[stack[top]] >= icp[token])
            print_token(delete(&top));
         add(&top, token);
      }
   }
   while ( (token=delete(&top)) != eos)
      print_token(token);
   printf("\n");
}
```

Program 3.11: Function to convert from infix to postfix

- **Analysis of *postfix*:**
  - Complexity of function postfix is $\Theta(n)$, where n is the number of tokens in the expression.

Postfix Notation

Expressions are converted into Postfix notation before compiler can accept and process them.

X = A/B – C + D * E – A * C

Infix A/B–C+D*E–A*C

Postfix => AB/C-DE*+AC*-

Operation	Postfix
$T_1 = A / B$	T_1C-DE*+AC*-
$T_2 = T_1 - C$	T_2 DE*+AC*-
$T_3 = D * E$	T_2T_3+AC*-
$T_4 = T_2 + T_3$	T_4AC*-
$T_5 = A * C$	T_4 T_5 -
$T_6 = T_4 - T_5$	T_6