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Compiler Construction Lab 1 Solution

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1 Objective

The objective of this lab is to design and implement a C++ program that accepts an arithmetic expression in **infix**, **prefix**, or **postfix** form, detects the type of the expression, tokenizes it into numbers, operators, and brackets, and evaluates it step by step, showing each token and applied operator.

2 Requirements

- Automatically detect whether the expression is infix, prefix, or postfix.
- Tokenize numbers (integers and floats), operators, and brackets.
- Print each token as it is processed.
- Apply operators step by step and show left operand, right operand, and result.
- Handle parentheses and brackets properly.
- Produce the final result after evaluation.

3 Program Code

The following C++ program implements the solution:

```
1 #include <bits/stdc++.h>
2 using namespace std;
3
4 // Utility: check if string is operator
5 bool isOp(const string &s){
6     return s=="+" || s=="-" || s=="*" || s=="/";
7 }
8
9 // precedence for shunting yard
10 int prec(const string &op){
11     if(op=="+" || op=="-") return 1;
12     if(op=="*" || op=="/") return 2;
13     return 0;
14 }
15
16 // map closing to opening bracket
17 char matchingOpen(char c){
18     if(c==')') return '(';
19     if(c==']') return '[';
20     if(c=='}') return '{';
21     return 0;
22 }
23
24 // Tokenize infix expressions
25 vector<string> tokenizeInfix(const string &s){
26     vector<string> tokens;
27     int n=s.size();
28     for(int i=0;i<n;){
29         if(isspace((unsigned char)s[i])) { ++i; continue; }
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30     if(isdigit((unsigned char)s[i]) || (s[i]=='.' && i+1<n &&
31         isdigit((unsigned char)s[i+1]))){
32         int j=i; bool dot=false;
33         while(j<n && (isdigit((unsigned char)s[j]) || s[j]=='.')){
34             if(s[j]=='.'){ if(dot) break; dot=true; }
35             ++j;
36         }
37         tokens.push_back(s.substr(i,j-i));
38         i=j;
39     } else {
40         char c = s[i];
41         if(c=='+' || c=='-' || c=='*' || c=='/' || c=='(' || c==')' || c=='[' ||
42             c==']' || c=='{' || c=='}'){
43             string t(1,c);
44             tokens.push_back(t);
45             ++i;
46         } else {
47             int j=i;
48             while(j<n && !isspace((unsigned char)s[j]) && string("
49                 +-*/( ) [] {}").find(s[j])==string::npos) ++j;
50             tokens.push_back(s.substr(i,j-i));
51             i=j;
52         }
53     }
54 }
55 return tokens;
56 }
57
58 // Tokenize prefix/postfix (space separated)
59 vector<string> tokenizeSpaceSeparated(const string &s){
60     vector<string> tokens; istringstream iss(s); string t;
61     while(iss >> t) tokens.push_back(t);
62     return tokens;
63 }
64
65 // Infix      Postfix (Shunting-yard algorithm)
66 vector<string> infixToPostfix(const vector<string> &tokens){
67     vector<string> output, st;
68     for(const string &tok : tokens){
69         if(tok.empty()) continue;
70         if(isdigit(tok[0]) || tok[0]=='.' ){ output.push_back(tok);
71             continue; }
72         if(tok=="(" || tok=="[" || tok=="{"){ st.push_back(tok); }
73         else if(tok==")" || tok=="]" || tok=="}"){
74             char open = matchingOpen(tok[0]);
75             while(!st.empty() && st.back()[0]!=open){ output.push_back(
76                 st.back()); st.pop_back(); }
77             if(!st.empty()) st.pop_back();
78         }
79         else if(isOp(tok)){
80             while(!st.empty() && isOp(st.back()) && prec(st.back())>=
81                 prec(tok)){
82                 output.push_back(st.back()); st.pop_back();
83             }
84             st.push_back(tok);
85         } else output.push_back(tok);
86     }
87     while(!st.empty()){ output.push_back(st.back()); st.pop_back(); }
88 }

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82     return output;
83 }
84
85 // Evaluate postfix with steps
86 pair<double,bool> evalPostfixWithSteps(const vector<string> &tokens){
87     vector<double> st;
88     for(const string &tok : tokens){
89         cout << "Token: " << tok << "\n";
90         if(isOp(tok)){
91             if(st.size()<2){ cerr<<"Error: not enough operands\n";
92                 return {0,false}; }
93             double r=st.back(); st.pop_back();
94             double l=st.back(); st.pop_back();
95             double res=0;
96             if(tok=="+") res=l+r; else if(tok=="-") res=l-r;
97             else if(tok=="*") res=l*r; else if(tok=="/"){ if(r==0){cerr
98                 <<"Error: div by 0\n"; return{0,false};} res=l/r; }
99             cout << "Applied: " << tok << " | Left="<<l<< " Right="<<r<<
100                 " Result="<<res<<"\n";
101             st.push_back(res);
102         } else {
103             try{ st.push_back(stod(tok)); }
104             catch(...){ cerr<<"Warning: '"<<tok<<"' treated as 0\n"; st
105                 .push_back(0); }
106         }
107     }
108     return {st.back(),true};
109 }
110
111 // Evaluate prefix with steps
112 pair<double,bool> evalPrefixWithSteps(const vector<string> &tokens){
113     vector<double> st;
114     for(auto it=tokens.rbegin(); it!=tokens.rend(); ++it){
115         cout<<"Token: " <<*it<<"\n";
116         if(isOp(*it)){
117             if(st.size()<2){ cerr<<"Error\n"; return{0,false}; }
118             double l=st.back(); st.pop_back();
119             double r=st.back(); st.pop_back();
120             double res=0;
121             if(*it=="+") res=l+r; else if(*it=="-") res=l-r;
122             else if(*it=="*") res=l*r; else if(*it=="/"){ if(r==0){cerr
123                 <<"Div0\n"; return{0,false};} res=l/r; }
124             cout<<"Applied: " <<*it<<" | Left="<<l<< " Right="<<r<< "
125                 Result="<<res<<"\n";
126             st.push_back(res);
127         } else { try{ st.push_back(stod(*it)); } catch(...){ st.
128             push_back(0); } }
129     }
130     return {st.back(),true};
131 }
132
133 // Detect form
134 string detectForm(const string &s){
135     auto toks=tokenizeSpaceSeparated(s);
136     if(!toks.empty()){ if(isOp(toks.front())) return "prefix"; if(isOp(
137         toks.back())) return "postfix"; }
138     return "infix";
139 }

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132
133 int main(int argc, char**argv){
134     if(argc<2){ cerr<<"Usage: " <<argv[0]<<" \"<expression>\"\\n"; return
135         1; }
136     string expr; for(int i=1;i<argc;i++){ if(i>1) expr+=" "; expr+=argv
137         [i]; }
138     cout<<"Expression: " <<expr<<"\\n";
139     string form=detectForm(expr);
140     if(form=="infix"){
141         cout<<"Detected: INFIX\\n";
142         auto toks=tokenizeInfix(expr);
143         for(auto&t:toks) cout<<"Token: " <<t<<"\\n";
144         auto post=infixToPostfix(toks);
145         cout<<"\\n-- Evaluating Postfix --\\n";
146         auto res=evalPostfixWithSteps(post);
147         cout<<"Result: " <<res.first<<"\\n";
148     } else if(form=="postfix"){
149         cout<<"Detected: POSTFIX\\n";
150         auto toks=tokenizeSpaceSeparated(expr);
151         auto res=evalPostfixWithSteps(toks);
152         cout<<"Result: " <<res.first<<"\\n";
153     } else {
154         cout<<"Detected: PREFIX\\n";
155         auto toks=tokenizeSpaceSeparated(expr);
156         auto res=evalPrefixWithSteps(toks);
157         cout<<"Result: " <<res.first<<"\\n";
158     }
159 }

```

Listing 1: Compiler Construction Lab 1 Solution in C++

4 Compilation and Execution

The program requires a C++17 compatible compiler (e.g., g++). To compile and run:

```

g++ -std=c++17 -O2 -o expr_eval expr_eval.cpp
./expr_eval "3 * (2 + 4) - [5 - 2]"
./expr_eval "2 3 4 + * 5 2 - -"
./expr_eval "- * 3 + 2 4 - 5 2"

```

5 Sample Output

5.1 Infix Example

```

Expression: 3 * (2 + 4) - [5 - 2]
Detected: INFIX
Token: 3
Token: *
Token: (
Token: 2
Token: +
Token: 4
Token: )

```

```
Token: -
Token: [
Token: 5
Token: -
Token: 2
Token: ]
-- Evaluating Postfix --
Token: 3
Token: 2
Token: 4
Token: +
Applied: + | Left=2 Right=4 Result=6
...
Result: 15
```

5.2 Postfix Example

```
Expression: 2 3 4 + * 5 2 - -
Detected: POSTFIX
Token: 2
Token: 3
Token: 4
Token: +
Applied: + | Left=3 Right=4 Result=7
Token: *
Applied: * | Left=2 Right=7 Result=14
...
Result: 11
```

5.3 Prefix Example

```
Expression: - * 3 + 2 4 - 5 2
Detected: PREFIX
Token: -
Token: *
Token: 3
Token: +
Token: 2
Token: 4
...
Result: 13
```

6 Conclusion

This program successfully evaluates infix, prefix, and postfix expressions. It prints each token, applies operators step by step, handles brackets, and displays the final result. The implementation fulfills all requirements of Lab 1 in Compiler Construction.