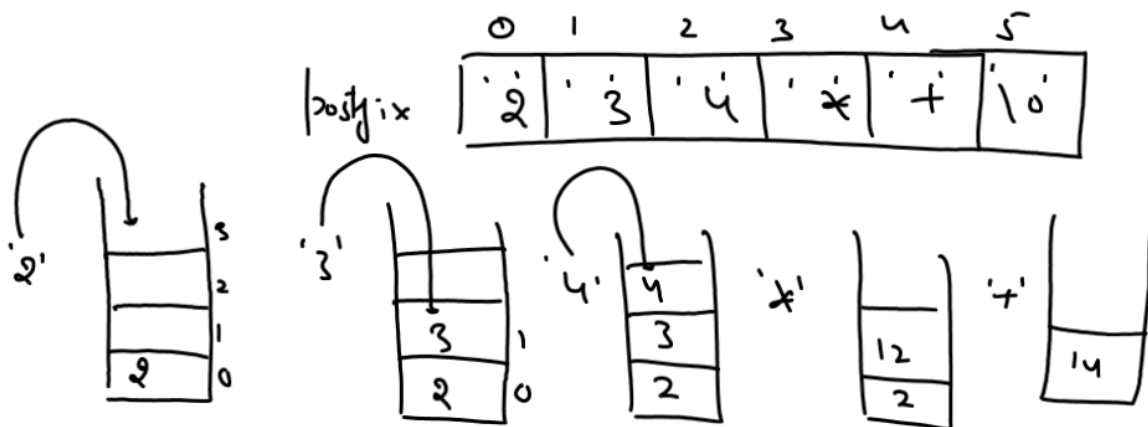


## Algorithm For Evaluating a Postfix Expression



$$5 + 6 / 2 - 1 * 4 + 7$$

$$5 + 62 / - 1 * 4 + 7$$

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0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
'5'	'6'	'2'	'/'	'+'	'1'	'4'	'x'	'-'	'7'	'+'	'6'

<u>El</u>	<u>Stack</u>	<u>Fl</u>	<u>Stack</u>
'5'	5	'1'	8, 1
'6'	5, 6	'4'	8, 1, 4
'2'	5, 6, 2	'x'	8, 4
'/'	5, 3	'-'	4
'+'	8	'7'	4, 7
		'+'	11
		<u>end</u>	11 ← <u>Ans</u>

### Algorithm For Evaluating a Postfix Expression

1. Scan the given postfix expression from left to right , one character at a time.
2. Check whether it is an operator or operand.
3. If it is an operand, then PUSH it in the Stack and goto Step 5
4. If it is an operator then:
  - a. POP the top 2 operands from the Stack
  - b. Apply the operator on them
  - c. PUSH the result back in the Stack
5. Repeat steps from 1 to 4 until POSTFIX expression ends.
6. Finally , POP the remaining last element from the Stack and return it as the answer of the expression
7. Finish

## Implementing Evaluation Of Postfix Expression

```
struct Stack
{
    float arr[10];
    int tos;
};
void push(struct Stack *,float);
float pop(struct Stack *);
int isoperand(char);
float calculate(float,float,char);
float evaluate(char [ ]);
int main()
{
    char postfix[20];
    float ans;
    printf("Enter valid postfix expression:");
    scanf("%s",postfix);
    ans=evaluate(postfix);
    printf("Result is %f",ans);
    return 0;
}
```

```
float evaluate(char postfix[20])
{
    struct Stack S;
    int i;
    char ch;
    float op1,op2,result;
    S.tos=-1;
    for(i=0;postfix[i]!='\0';i++)
    {
        ch=postfix[i];
        // continue the code
    }
```