

## Assignment 1 Solutions

### Problem 1

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function EVALUATEEXPRESSION(Input String  $S[0, \dots, n-1]$ )
     $Values \leftarrow \text{NEWSTACK}()$ 
     $Operators \leftarrow \text{NEWSTACK}()$ 

    for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $n-1$  do

        if  $S[i]$  is a digit then
            // A digit should either be the first element in  $S$  or follow an operator or a "("
            if  $i > 0$  and  $S[i-1]$  a digit or ")" then
                return NOTWELLFORMED

             $val \leftarrow S[i]$  interpreted as an integer
             $\text{PUSH}(Values, val)$ 

        else if  $S[i]$  is one of "+", "-", "*", "/" or "(" then
             $\text{PUSH}(Operators, S[i])$ 

        else if  $S[i]$  is ")" then
            // Now we find the value of this bracketed expression and push it to the value stack
            if length of  $Values < 2$  or length of  $Operators < 2$  then
                return NOTWELLFORMED

            // Since  $y$  is the top of the stack the operator should be applied in the order  $x \text{ op } y$ 
             $y \leftarrow \text{POP}(Values)$ 
             $x \leftarrow \text{POP}(Values)$ 
             $op \leftarrow \text{POP}(Operators)$ 
            if  $op$  not one of "+", "-", "*", "/" then
                return NOTWELLFORMED
             $result \leftarrow x \text{ op } y$ 
             $\text{PUSH}(Values, result)$ 
            if  $\text{POP}(Operators)$  is not "(" then
                return NOTWELLFORMED

        else
            // We've found a character which is not an operator or digit
            return NOTWELLFORMED

    if length of  $Values \neq 1$  or length of  $Operators \neq 0$  then
        return NOTWELLFORMED
    return  $\text{POP}(Values)$ 
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## Problem 3b

**function** ISSINGLERUNPOSSIBLE

$G \leftarrow$  read graph into adjacency lists

$n \leftarrow$  number of nodes in  $G$

    run DFS from 0 keeping track of the popping order

**if** less than  $n$  nodes explored **then**

**return** FALSE

$topological\ order \leftarrow \text{REVERSE}(popping\ order)$

**return** ISPATH( $topological\ order$ )

// An array of nodes is a path if for each  $i \in \{0, \dots, n-2\}$  there is an edge between  $A[i]$  and  $A[i+1]$

**function** ISPATH(graph  $G$ , array of nodes  $A[0, \dots, n-1]$ )

**for**  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $n-2$  **do**

**if**  $A[i+1]$  not in  $A[i]$ 's adjacency list **then**

**return** FALSE

**return** TRUE

### Explanation

First, we know that if we can't reach all nodes in a DFS from node 0 then there must be unreachable nodes from the top of the mountain and no run can trim all trees.

If a single run is possible in the graph then it will be a path starting at 0 which goes downhill and visits every node.

Let  $u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{n-1}$  be this path. Then this path must be a topological ordering since if it was not then there would be an edge  $(u_i, u_j)$  with  $j < i$ , which would mean there is a cycle in the graph (contradicting the fact that it is a DAG). Additionally this topological ordering must be unique, as exchanging any two of the nodes would introduce an edge going right to left in the order.

So if the graph has a single run we will find it by finding a topological ordering, and this ordering will be a path (in the sense that successive nodes will have an edge between them). If we find a topological ordering which doesn't satisfy this property then there is no single run possible.

### Time Complexity

- Reading a graph into an adjacency list takes  $O(n)$  time to create the lists and  $O(1)$  time per edge to insert the node into the adjacency list. So  $O(n + m)$  to read the graph.
- Running a depth-first search involves exploring each node at most once and running a for loop over the out edges from each node. When we explore each node we do a constant amount of work, as well as looping over each of its out-edges (to explore unvisited nodes), so the time complexity of the DFS is,

$$(O(1) + \deg(0)) + (O(1) + \deg(1)) + \dots + (O(1) + \deg(n-1)) = O(n + m)$$

Here  $\deg$  is the out-degree of each node. Note that use a doubly-linked list to keep track of popping order, so each insertion is also  $O(1)$  time.

- Reversing the popping order will take  $O(n)$  time.
- Checking whether an ordering is a path requires checking all the out-edges for each node in the path. Similarly to the depth first search this takes  $O(n + m)$  time.

So the algorithm runs in  $O(n + m)$  time as required.