Lab Sheet 6

Lab Tasks:

A. Convert an infix expression to postfix.

The algorithm that you should follow:

Algorithm: Infix-to-Postfix (Q, P)

Here Q is an arithmetic expression in infix notation and this algorithm generates the postfix expression P using stack.

1. Scan the infix expression Q from left to right.
2. Initialize an empty stack.
3. Repeat step 4 to 5 until all characters in Q are scanned.
4. If the scanned character is an operand, add it to P.
5. If the scanned character is an operator Φ, then
   (a) If stack is empty, push Φ to the stack.
   (b) Otherwise repeatedly pop from stack and add to P each operator which has the same or higher precedence than Φ.

   (c) Push Φ to the stack.
6. If scanned character is a left parenthesis “(“, then push it to stack.
7. If scanned character is a right parenthesis “)”, then
   (a) Repeatedly pop from stack and add to P each operator until “(“ is encountered.
   (b) Remove “(“ from stack.
8. If all the characters are scanned and stack is not empty, then
   (a) Repeatedly pop the stack and add to P each operator until the stack is empty.
9. Exit.

Sample input/output:

Case 1:

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Enter the infix expression : a+b*c

The corresponding postfix expression is: a b c * +
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Case 2:

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Enter the infix expression : ((4+8)(6-5))/((3-2)(2+2))
The corresponding postfix expression is: 4 8 + 6 5 - 3 2 - 2 2 + /
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Reading materials:

Primary idea about this topic:
https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/convert-infix-expression-to-postfix-expression/