

1: Infix to Postfix and Evaluation

Part 1:

Translate from infix to postfix

Initialize a Queue

Initialize a Stack

Read in one expression in infix format; e.g.

$(a+b)*c$

In the following algorithm, assume *Next* is what the program reads in.

Algorithm: Infix to Postfix

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while(Next != EOL) {  
    switch(content(Next)) {  
        case: ALPHABET: output content(Next) to Queue; break;  
        case: " ( ": PUSH content(Next) into Stack; break;  
        case: " ) ": POP the content in Stack to Queue until "(" is  
                    reached, POP it but not to Queue; break;  
        case: "operator": while(PRE(TOP) >= PRE(Next)){  
                            POP Stack to Queue;  
                        } // while  
                        PUSH content(Next); break;  
        Case: "others": error;  
    } // switch  
} //while
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POP all in Stack to Queue;

Then Queue has the postfix expression.

Note: Queue is First In and First Out.

Infix to Postfix: Evaluating postfix

Part 2: To evaluate postfix expression:

1. Define a Stack in float.
2. Read from Queue:
 - if (content(Next) is ALPHABET):
 PUSH it into Stack;
 - if (content(Next) is OPERATOR)
 POP (from Stack) to var V2;
 POP (from Stack) to var V1;
 perform V1 OPERATOR V2, and result to V;
 PUSH V to Stack;
3. When done, Stack has the evaluation.