

A86 Postfix Evaluator

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This A86 assembly language program is evaluating postfix expressions involving hexadecimal quantities given as input.

Processes

- 1- Reading Phase
- 2- Checking Phase
- 3- Processing Phase
- 4- Printing The Result Phase

1- Reading

```
read:
    mov ah,01h
    int 21h
    jmp check
```

At this stage, the input character is read and jumped to the check part.

2- Checking

```
check:
    cmp al,0Dh          ; check enter
    je endline
    cmp al,20h          ; check space
    je space
    cmp al,2Bh          ; check plus
    je addition
    cmp al,2Ah          ; check asterisk
    je multiplication
    cmp al,2Fh          ; check slash
    je division
    cmp al,5Eh          ; check ^
    je bitwise_xor
    cmp al,26h          ; check &
    je bitwise_and
    cmp al,7Ch          ; check |
    je bitwise_or
    cmp al,3Ah          ; check numeric
    jb num
    cmp al,40h          ; check letter
    ja letter
```

At this stage, the read character is compared with the ascii codes and jumped to the relevant section.

3- Processing

In this phase, the read inputs are processed.

a) Space

```
space:
    cmp di,1h
    jne read
    push cx
    mov cx,0h
    mov di,0h
    jmp read
```

- Thanks to the di register, it is checked whether the last read input is an operator or an operand.
- If the character read is an operator, the reading is continued, otherwise the operand is pushed to the stack.

b) Num

```
num:
    sub al,30h
    from_non_numeric:
    mov di,1h
    mov bx,0
    mov bl,al
    mov ax,10h
    mul cx
    add bx,ax
    mov cx,bx
    jmp read
```

- Numeric value represented by number is converted from ascii value to numeric value.
- At the “from_non_numeric” part firstly with the di register, it is specified that the value read is the operand.
- Read value is copied to register bl.
- If another digit is read before, that digit is multiplied by 10h and the result is kept in register ax. Ax would be 0 if there are no digits before.
- The bx and ax values are added to the cx register.
- The cx register is responsible for storing the read value.
- Continue reading.

c) Letter

```
letter:
    sub ax,41h
    add ax,10d
    jmp from_non_numeric
```

- The ascii value of the numeric value represented by a letter is converted to a numeric value.
- Jump to “from_non_numeric”.

d) Addition

```
addition:
    mov di,0h
    pop ax
    pop bx
    add ax,bx
    push ax
    jmp read
```

- It is specified that the value read with the di register is an operator.
- The last 2 values in the stack are popped.
- The addition operation is performed
- The result is pushed to the stack
- Continue reading

e) Multiplication

```
multiplication:
    mov di,0h
    pop bx
    pop ax
    mul bx
    push ax
    jmp read
```

- It is specified that the value read with the di register is an operator.
- The last 2 values in the stack are popped.
- The multiplication operation is performed
- The result is pushed to the stack
- Continue reading

f) Division

```
division:
    mov di,0h
    pop bx
    pop ax
    div bx
    push ax
    jmp read
```

- It is specified that the value read with the di register is an operator.
- The last 2 values in the stack are popped.
- The division operation is performed
- The result is pushed to the stack
- Continue reading

g) Bitwise_xor

```
bitwise_xor:
    mov di,0h
    pop ax
    pop bx
    xor ax,bx
    push ax
    jmp read
```

- It is specified that the value read with the di register is an operator.
- The last 2 values in the stack are popped.
- The bitwise xor operation is performed
- The result is pushed to the stack
- Continue reading

h) Bitwise_and

```
bitwise_and:
    mov di,0h
    pop ax
    pop bx
    and ax,bx
    push ax
    jmp read
```

- It is specified that the value read with the di register is an operator.
- The last 2 values in the stack are popped.
- The bitwise and operation is performed
- The result is pushed to the stack
- Continue reading

i) Bitwise_or

```
bitwise_or:
    mov di,0h
    pop ax
    pop bx
    or ax,bx
    push ax
    jmp read
```

- It is specified that the value read with the di register is an operator.
- The last 2 values in the stack are popped.
- The bitwise or operation is performed
- The result is pushed to the stack
- Continue reading

j) Endline

```
endline:
    mov ah,02h
    mov dl,0Dh
    int 21h
    mov dl,0Ah
    int 21h
    mov cx,4h
    pop ax
    jmp handleresult
```

- Print '\r'.
- Print '\n'.
- 4 is assigned to the cx register in order to track the result digits.
- Pop result.
- Jump to “handlerresult”

4- Printing The Result

```

handlerresult:
    mov dx, 0
    mov bx, 10h
    div bx
    cmp dx, 0Ah
    jb numtoascii
    add dl, 41h
    sub dl, 10d
    jmp fromletter

numtoascii:
    add dl, 30h

fromletter:
    push dx
    dec cx
    jnz handlerresult
    jmp printandexit

printandexit:
    pop dx
    mov ah, 02h
    int 21h
    pop dx
    int 21h
    pop dx
    int 21h
    pop dx
    int 21h
    int 20h

```

- Dividing the result by 10h, we get the digits one by one as the remainder.
- Convert digit to its ascii value.
- Push ascii values to the stack.
- When all digits are processed jump to “printandexit”.
- Pop and print 4 digits.
- Exit the program.