

LECTURE NO. 8: APPLICATIONS ON STACK



- Application of stack
- Expression Evaluation.
- Postfix Evaluation
- Infix to Postfix
 Conversion

Stack Application

Stack applications

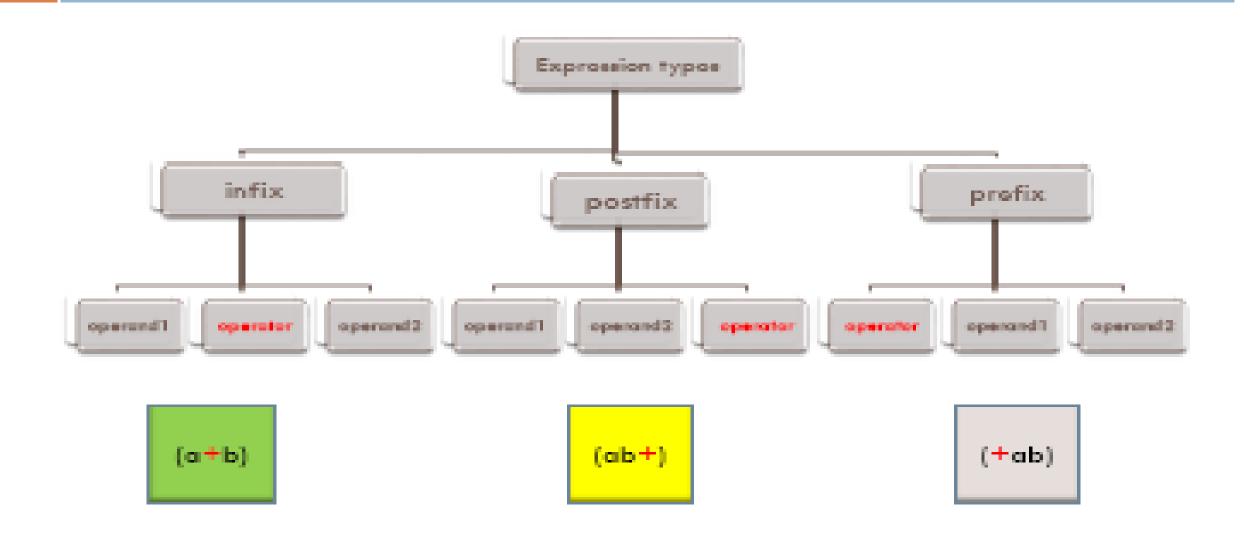
- Balancing symbols
- Expression evaluation
- Reversal of sequences.
- Backtracking (game playing, finding paths, exhaustive searching)
- Function calls
- Page-visited history in a Web browser.
- Undo sequence in a text editor.

Expression evaluation

What is an Expression

- An expression is a collection of operators and operands that represents a specific value.
- An operator is a symbol which performs a particular task like arithmetic operation or logical operation or conditional operation etc.
- Operands are the values on which the operators can perform the task. Here operand can be a direct value or variable or address of memory location.

Expression types



Expression Conversion

We can also convert one type of expression to another type of expression like Infix to Postfix, Infix to Prefix, Postfix to Prefix.

Infix postfix prefix

A+B-C AB+C- -+ABC

Expression Conversion rules

- To convert any Infix expression into Postfix or Prefix expression we can use the following procedure:
- 1) Find all the operators in the given Infix Expression.
- 2) Find the order of operators evaluated according to their Operator precedence.
- Sonvert each operator into required type of expression (Postfix or Prefix) in the same order.

Expression Conversion Example

Consider the following Infix Expression to be converted into Postfix Expression.

$$A + B * C$$

- Step 1: The Operators in the given Infix Expression: +, *
- Step 2: The Order of Operators according to their preference: *,+
- Step 3: Now, convert the first operator *

 A + B C *
- Step 4: Convert the next operator + A BC* +

- The rules to be remembered during infix to postfix conversion are:
- Parenthesize the expression starting from left to light.
- During parenthesizing the expression, the operands associated with operator having higher precedence are first parenthesized.
- The sub-expression (part of expression), which has been converted into postfix, is to be treated as single operand.
- Once the expression is converted to postfix form, remove the parenthesis.

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To rewrite A+B*C in postfix:
infix form
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- parentheses for emphasis
- convert the multiplication
- convert the addition postfix form
- To rewrite(A+B)*C in postfix infix form
- convert the addition
- convert the multiplication

postfix form

$$A(BC*)+$$

Example: infix expression to the postfix exp.

$$(A + B) * C / D + E^A / B$$

Solution

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Infix
                      postfix
A+B
                        AB+
A+B-C
                      AB+C-
(A+B)*(C-D)
                      AB+CD-*
A^B*C-D+E/F/(G+H)
                      AB^C*D-EF/GH+/+
((A+B)*C-(D-E))^{F+G} AB+C*DE--FG+^
A-B/(C*D^E)
                       ABCDE^*/-
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Infix	prefix
A+B	+AB
A+B-C	-+ABC
(A+B)*(C-D)	*+AB-CD
$A^B*C-D+E/F/(G+H)$	+-*^ABCD//EF+GH
((A+B)*C-(D-E))^(F+G)	^_*+ABC-DE+FG
A-B/(C*D^E)	-A/B*C^DE

- Step 1 : Scan the Infix Expression from left to right.
- Step 2: If the scanned character is an operand, append it with final Infix to Postfix string.
- Step 3 : Else,
 - Step 3.1: If the precedence order of the scanned(incoming) operator is greater than the precedence order of the operator in the stack (or the stack is empty or the stack contains a '(' or '[' or '{'}), push it on stack.
- Step 3.2: Else, Pop all the operators from the stack which are greater than or equal to in precedence than that of the scanned operator. After doing that Push the scanned operator to the stack. (If you encounter parenthesis while popping then stop there and push the scanned operator in the stack.)

- Step 4: If the scanned character is an '(' or '[' or '{', push it to the stack.
- Step 5 : If the scanned character is an ')'or ']' or '}', pop the stack and output it until a '(' or '[' or '{' respectively is encountered, and discard both the parenthesis.
- Step 6: Repeat steps 2-6 until infix expression is scanned.
- Step 7 : Print the output
- Step 8 : Pop and output from the stack until it is not empty

Input infix_str(infix expression)

Output postfix_str(postfix expression).

- Push "(" onto stack, and add")" to the end of infix_str(infix expression).
- Scan infix_str from left to right and repeat Steps 3 to 6 for each element of P until the stack is empty.
- If an operand is encountered, add it to postfix_str(postfix expression).
- If a left parenthesis is encountered, push it onto stack.

- If an operator ⊗ is encountered, then:
 - (a) Repeatedly pop from stack and add postfix_str each operator (on the top of stack), which has the same precedence as, or higher precedence than ⊗.
 - (b) push ⊗ onto stack.
- If a right parenthesis is encountered, then:
 - (a) Repeatedly pop from stack and add it to postfix_str
 - (on the top of stack until a left parenthesis is encountered.
 - (b) Remove the left parenthesis. [Do not add the left parenthesis to postfix_str.]

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infix expression: A + B
we have two elements,
        An empty expression string postfix str
        An empty operator stack stack op
I - postfix string A
  stack op

    postfix string A

  stack op
S- postfix string AB
  stack op +
#- pop the stack_op and add element to postfix_string.
        postfix string A B+
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$$(A + B) * (C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stock		Postfix expression
Initially	Stack is ampty		empty

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Infix to postfix Example 2

$$(A + B) * (C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack		Postfix expression
(Push C	(empty

$$(A + B) * (C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack	Postfix expression
	No operation (A

$$(A + B) * (C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack		Postfix expression
-#-	Push +	+	A

$$(A + B) * (C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack		Postfix expression
В	No operation	+	AB

$$(A + B) * (C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack	Postfix expression
)	Pop all elements until reach (Pop + Pop (AB+

$$(A + B)*(C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack		Postfix expression
2 % C	Push *	*	AB+

$$(A + B)*(C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack		Postfix expression
(Push ((AB+

$$(A + B)*(C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack		Postfix expression
C	No operation	(AB+C

$$(A + B)*(C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack		Postfix expression
	Push -	- (AB+C

$$(A + B)*(C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack		Postfix expression
D	No operation	- (AB+CD

Consider the following Infix Expression...

$$(A + B)*(C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack	Postfix expression
	Pop all elements until reach (Pop -	AB+CD-

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$$(A + B) * (C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack	Postfix expression
	Pop all elements until stack is empty Pop *	AB+CD-

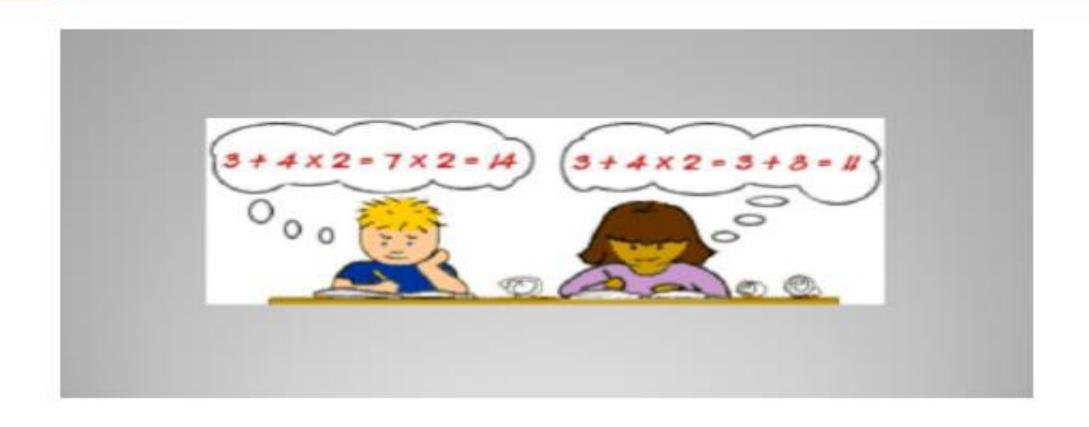
$$(A + B) * (C - D)$$

Reading Character	Stack	Postfix expression
		AB+CD-*

Infix A + (B / C - (D * E ^ F) + G) * H

Character scanned	Stack	Postfix Expression (Q)
A	(A
+	(+	A
((+(A
В	(+(A B
/	(+(/	A B
C	(+(/	ABC
l	* *	1
	(+(-	ABC/
((+(-(ABC/
D	(+(-(ABC/D
•	(+(-(*	ABC/D
E	(+(-(*	ABC/DE
Λ	(+(-(*^	ABC/DE
F	(+(-(*^	ABC/DEF
)	(+(-	ABC/DEF^*
+	(+(+	ABC/DEF^*-
G	(+(+	ABC/DEF^*-G
)	(+	ABC/DEF^*-G+
	(+*	ABC/DEF^*-G+
H	(+*	ABC/DEF^*-C+H
)		ABC/DEF^*-G+H*+

Expression Evaluation



Expression Evaluation

- Expression evaluations is one of the major application that illustrates the different types of stacks.
- We have five binary operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, and exponentiation.
- The first four are available in C++ and are denoted by the usual operators + , - , *, and / .
- The fifth exponentiation is represented by the operator ^
 ^^B
 ^ \ \Lambda \text{ is raised to the power B}

Expression Evaluation

In order to get the value of any expression (infix, postfix, prefix).

You have to know the priority or precedence of each operator in the expression.

Then the highest Priority will be executed first then the less priority and the less and

Expression Evaluation Priority

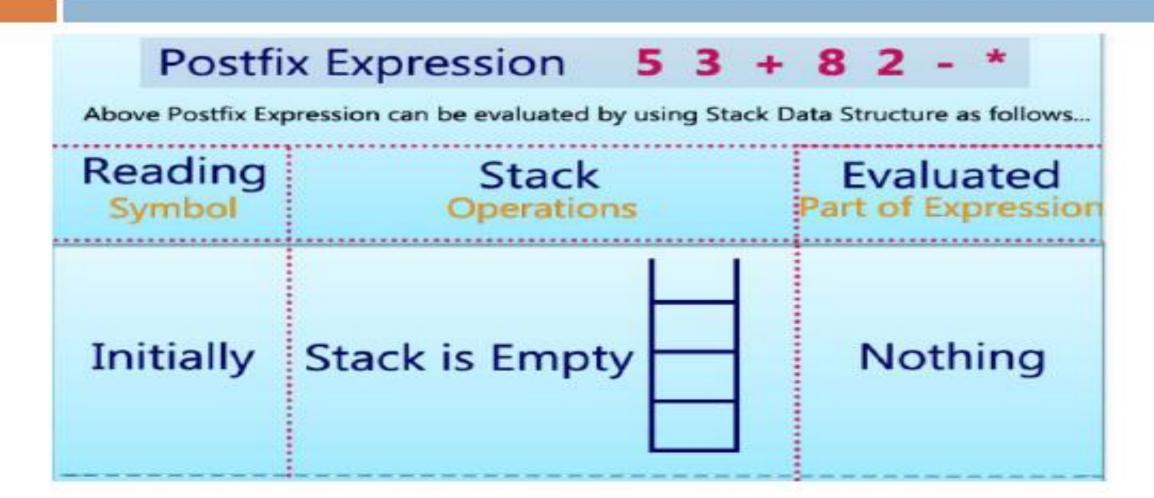
Priority of Operations					
	Symbol	Comment			
Parentheses	[],{},()	highest priority			
Exponentiation, +- sign	^, - (unary negation)				
Multiplication / division	*,/,%	Left to right			
Addition / subtraction	+, -	Left to right			

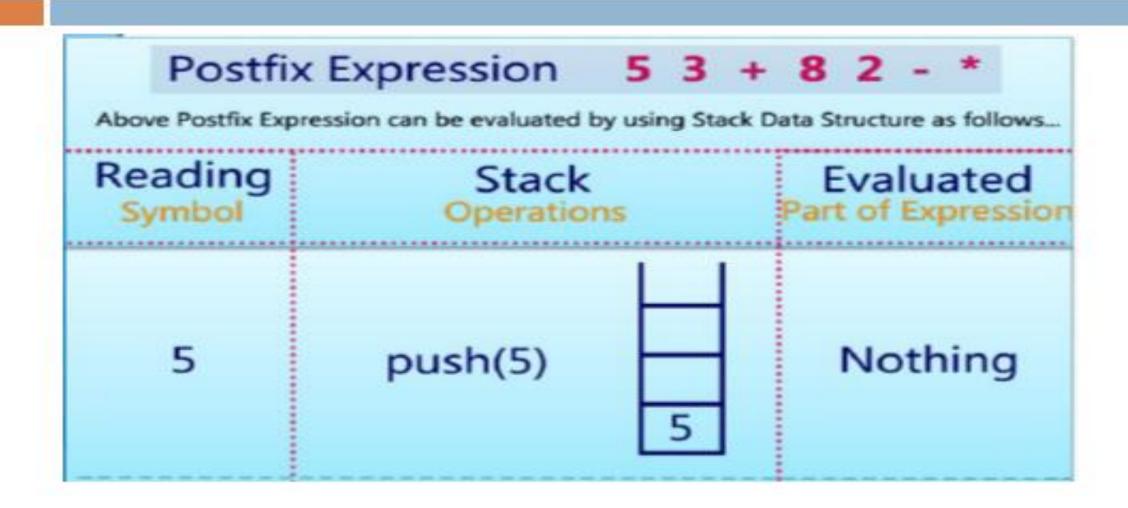
Postfix Evaluation using Stack

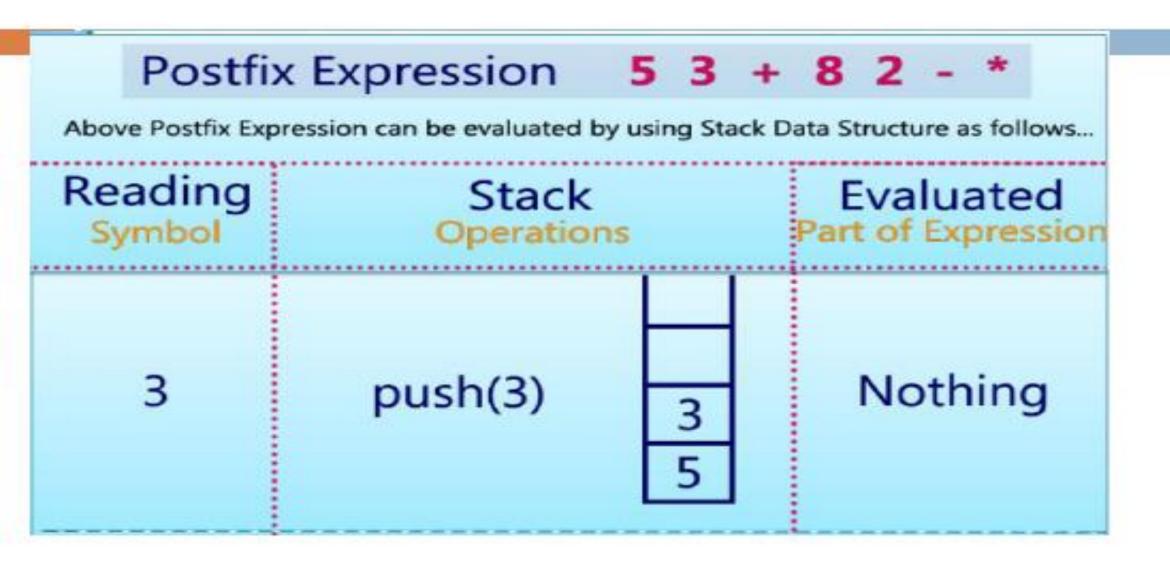
- To evaluate a postfix expression using Stack data structure we can use the following steps....
- Read all the symbols one by one from left to right in the given Postfix Expression.
- If the reading symbol is operand, then push it on to the Stack.
- If the reading symbol is operator (+ , , *, / etc.,), then perform TWO pop operations and store the two popped operands in two different variables (operand1 and operand2). Then perform reading symbol operation using operand1 and operand2 and push result back on to the Stack.
- 4. Finally! perform a pop operation and display the popped value as final result.

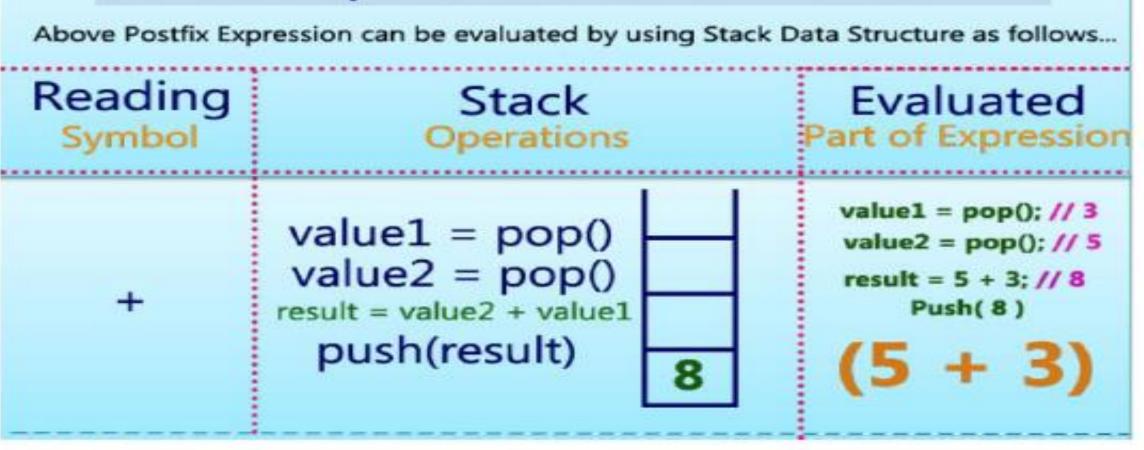
Evaluating a postfix expression

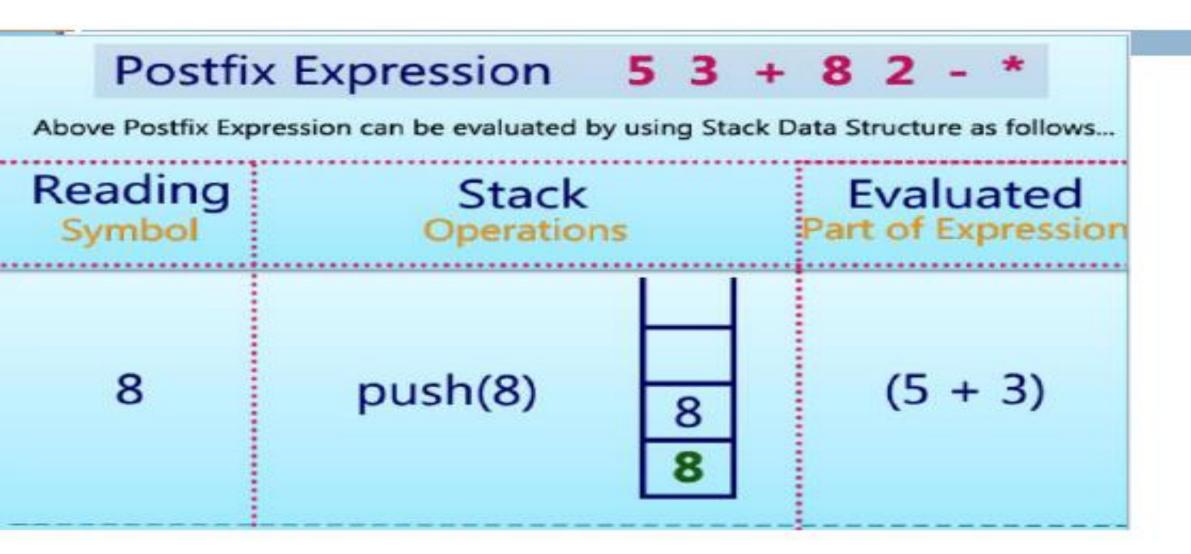
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opndstk= the empty stack;
/* scan the input string reading one*/
/* element at a time into symb
while (not end of input)
        symb= next input character;
        if (symb is an operand)
                push (opndstk, symb);
        else // symb is an operator
                opnd2=pop(opndstk);
                opnd1=pop(opndstk);
                value=result of applying symb to opnd1 and opnd2;
                push(opndstk,value);
}//end while
return (pop(opndstk));
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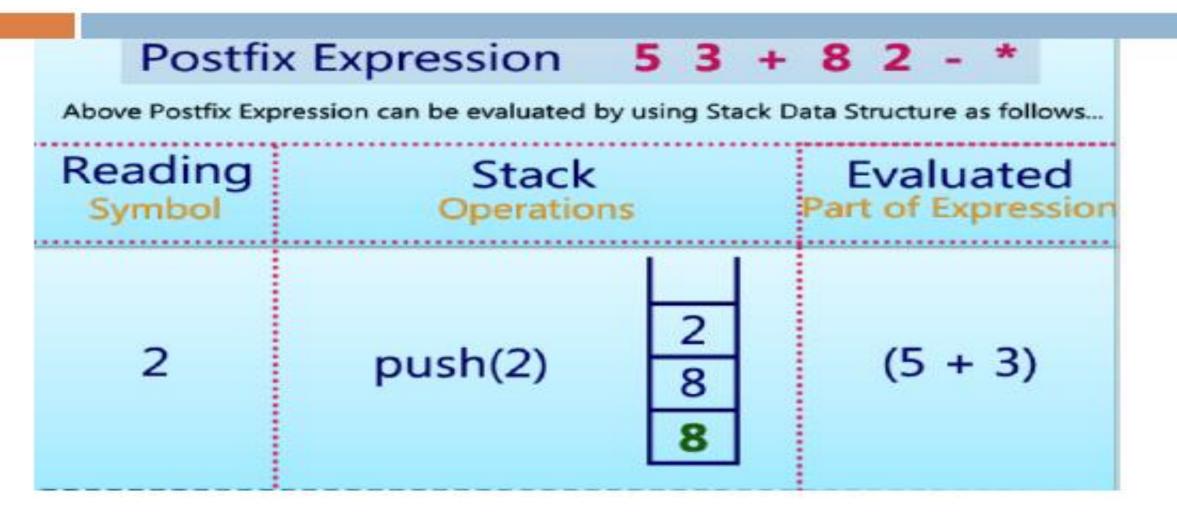


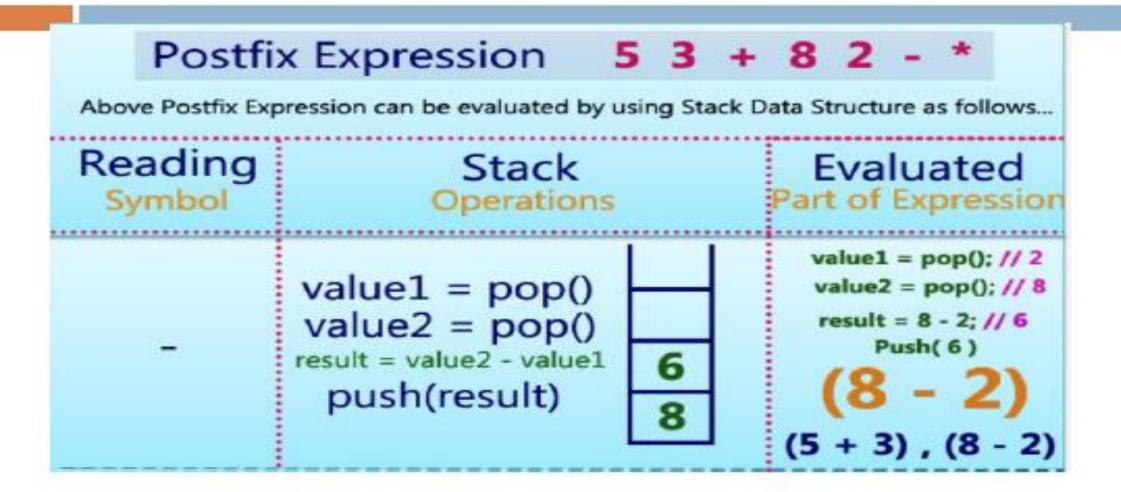




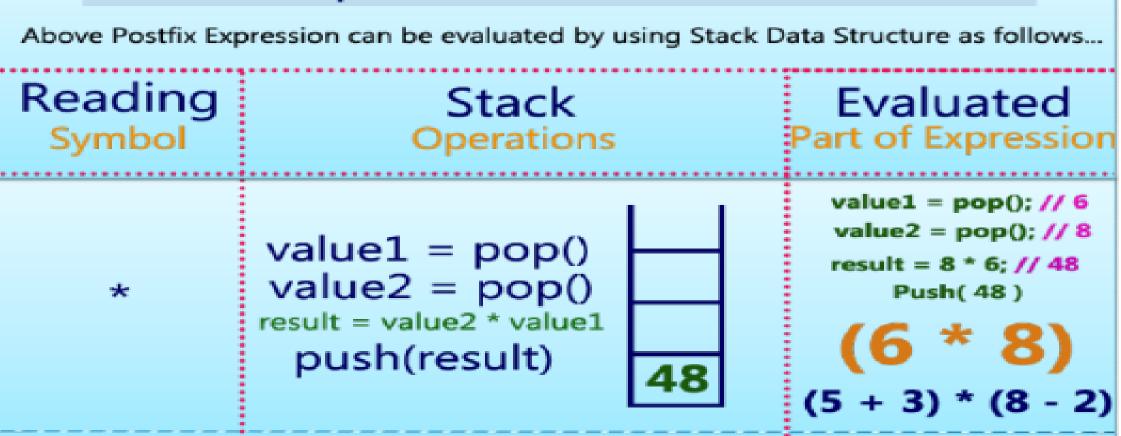


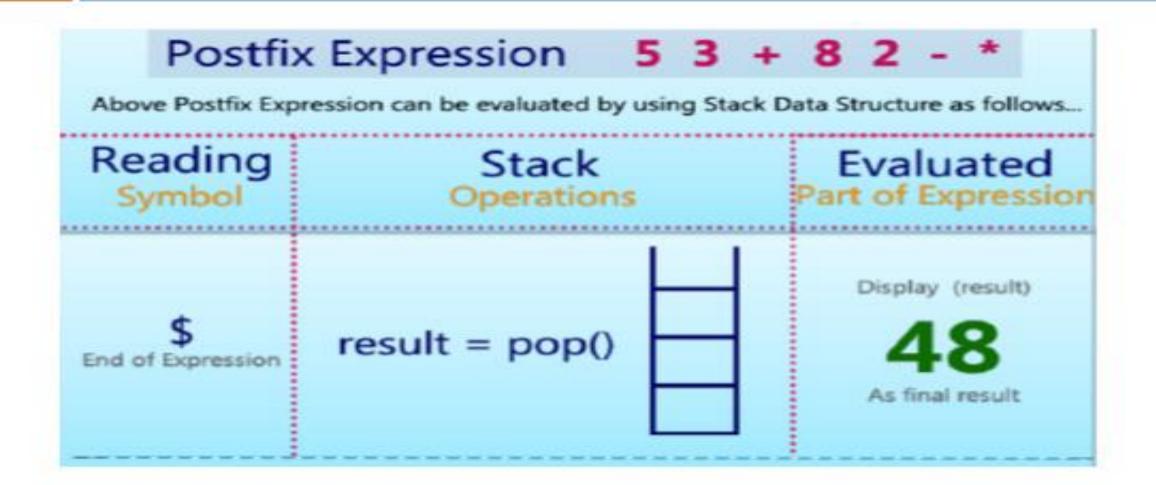






Postfix Expression 5 3 + 8 2 - *





Evaluating a postfix expression

623+-382/+*2^3+

symb	opnd1	opnd2	value	opndstk
push(6)				6
push(2)				6, 2
push(3)				6, 2, 3
+	pop(2)	pop(3)	push(5)	6, 5
-	pop(6)	pop(5)	push(1)	1
push(3)	pop(6)	pop(5)	push(1)	1, 3
push(8)	pop(6)	pop(5)	push(1)	1, 3, 8
push(2)	pop(6)	pop(5)	push(1)	1, 3, 8, 2
/	pop(8)	pop(2)	push(4)	1, 3, 4
+	pop(3)	pop(4)	push(7)	1,7
*	pop(1)	pop(7)	push(7)	7
push(2)	pop(1)	pop(7)	push(7)	7, 2
^	pop(7)	pop(2)	push(49)	49
push(3)	pop(7)	pop(2)	push(49)	49, 3
+	pop(49)	pop(3)	push(52)	52



