
CS29003 ALGORITHMS LABORATORY
ASSIGNMENT 2
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Designing a Reverse-Polish Notation Calculator

Exercise 1: Convert the given arithmetic expression into Reverse-Polish Notation

Arithmetic expressions are made of operators (+, *, etc.) and operands. The operands may be numbers, variables or (recursively) smaller arithmetic expressions. The expressions can be written in a variety of notations. The most commonly used notation is the one where the operator is written between its operands. Such a notation requires notions of **precedence** (indicating, for example, that division has higher precedence than addition, so that $3+15/3$ is 8, not 6) and **associativity** (indicating, for example, that subtractions are to be done from left to right, so that $10-3-2$ is 5, not 9). It also normally requires a way to override the precedence rules by using **parentheses**. For example, expression $7+3*6$ has value 25, but $(7+3)*6$ has value 60.

An alternative notation is the **Reverse-Polish** notation, where the operator is written after both of its operands. For example, you write $7\ 56\ +$ to indicate the result of adding 7 and 56. Reverse-Polish notation does not require any notions of precedence or associativity, and does not require parentheses. For example, an arithmetic expression $7+(32*6)$ is equivalent to Reverse-Polish expression $7\ 32\ 6\ *\ +$, but the expression $(7+32)*6$ is equivalent to Reverse-Polish expression $7\ 32\ +\ 6\ *$.

In this exercise, you are required to write a program that reads a file titled "input.txt" containing an arithmetic expression on each line written in commonly used notation, converts it into its corresponding Reverse-Polish notation using an **Operator Stack** and writes the converted notation on each line in a file titled "part1-output.txt". The expressions that your program needs to handle involve (decimal) integer constants, such as 4 and 57 and operators as detailed in Table 1. **Make sure to include space between tokens (constants/operators) while writing the converted output into the file** in order to ensure that expressions like $4+57$ and $45+7$ do not have the same Reverse-Polish Notation $457+$.

Token	Operator	Precedence	Associativity
()	parentheses	3	left-to-right
* / %	multiplication, division, modulo	2	left-to-right
+ -	addition, subtraction	1	left-to-right

Table 1: Operator Precedence and Associativity

Algorithm and Templates

1. Create an Operator Stack and its associated functions.

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struct Stack* createStack(int length_of_given_arithmetic_expression);  
int isEmpty(struct Stack* stack);  
char peek(struct Stack* stack);  
char pop(struct Stack* stack);  
void push(struct Stack* stack, char op);
```

2. Scan the given arithmetic expression from left to right. For each token *t* (multi-digit operands like 72, 45 etc. are to be considered) in the input string:

(a) if (*t* is an operand): append *t* onto the end of the output string.

int isOperand(char* ch);

(b) else if (*t* is an operator):

i. Pop tokens (if any) from the top of the stack while they have equal or higher precedence than *t* and append them onto the end of the output string. You can also stop if the top of the stack is an open parenthesis, or if the stack is empty.

int precedence(char op1, char op2);

ii. Push *t* into the stack.

(c) else if (*t* is a left parenthesis): Push *t* into the stack.

(d) else if (*t* is a right parenthesis):

i. Pop tokens from the top of the stack and append them onto the end of the output string until a left parentheses is encountered.

ii. Pop and discard the left parentheses from the stack.

3. Pop tokens (if any) and append them onto the end of the output string until the stack is empty.

For each line in the input file titled "input.txt", scan the contents (an arithmetic expression) into a character string "exp", call a function with the following template to convert it into Reverse-Polish notation and finally write it to "part1-output.txt". **void convert(char* exp);**

Exercise 2: Evaluate the arithmetic expressions in Reverse-Polish Notation

In this exercise, you are required to write a program that simulates a Reverse-Polish Calculator. More specifically, the program should take, as input, an expression in Reverse-Polish notation, and return, as output, the computed value of the given expression using an *Operand Stack*.

Algorithm and Templates

1. Create an Operand Stack and its associated functions similar to the previous exercise; only difference being that here you would push operands (integer constants) into the stack instead of operators (characters).

2. Scan the arithmetic expression in Reverse-Polish notation from left to right. For each token *t* (separated by "space") in the input string:

(a) if (*t* is an operand): Push *t* into the stack.

(b) else if (*t* is an operator):

i. Pop the top two operands from the stack.

ii. Apply the operator *t* to the two popped operands.

iii. Push the result of the operation into the stack.

3. When there are no tokens left, the stack only contains one item: the final value of the expression.

Pop the stack one final time and write the result into the output file.

For each line in "part1-output.txt", scan the arithmetic expression in Reverse-Polish notation into a character string "exp", call a function with the following template to evaluate it and finally write the obtained value to "part2-output.txt". **long evaluate(char* exp);**

Sample Input - "input.txt"

```
3*7+5
45/3*5
56*(3+72)
11%3-2
```

Sample Output - "part1-output.txt"

```
3 7 * 5 +
45 3 / 5 *
56 3 72 + *
11 3 % 2 -
```

Sample Output - "part2-output.txt"

```
26
75
4200
0
```

File Naming Convention

Please note that the output file names used in this document till now are generic and for explanation purpose only. **Your submissions will not be evaluated unless** you follow the below specified file naming convention for naming your files:

1. Program/Code file Naming Convention :

<ROLLNO(IN CAPS)>_A<Assign_No>_P<Exercise_No>.c/cpp

Eg: Exercise 1: 18CS30004_A2_P1.c / 18CS30004_A2_P1.cpp

Eg: Exercise 2: 18CS30004_A2_P2.c / 18CS30004_A2_P2.cpp

2. Output file Naming Convention :

<ROLLNO(IN CAPS)>_A<Assign_No>_P<Exercise_No>_output.txt

Eg: Exercise 1: 18CS30004_A2_P1_output.txt

Eg: Exercise 2: 18CS30004_A2_P2_output.txt