

Postfix

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1 Introduction

Remark This is a literate program. ¹ Source code *and* PDF documentation spring from the same, plain-text source files.

```
(defproject ex1 "0.1.0-SNAPSHOT"
  :description "Project Fortune's Postfix Expression Evaluator"
  :url "http://example.com/TODO"
  :license {:name "TODO"
            :url "TODO"}
  :dependencies [[org.clojure/clojure "1.5.1"]
                ]
  :repl-options {:init-ns ex1.core})
```

¹See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Literate_programming.

2 The Namespace

```
(ns ex1.core)
```

3 Functions

This *postfix* function receives a sequence of expressions *es*. It produces a reduction of a binary function *f* over the empty vector `[]` and *es*. *f* receives a vector *a* and an expression *e*. *a* implements a stack. If *e* is a function, *f* replaces the top two elements *r* and *l* of *a* with *e*(*l*,*r*), the application of function *e* to those arguments. Otherwise, *f* just *cons*-es *e* to the front of *a*. *r* and *l* appear in opposite order in *a* to the order that *e* receives them; while reducing arguments left-to-right in *es*, *postfix* reverses them when *cons*-ing to the front of the stack.

```
(defn postfix [& es]
  (reduce
    (fn f [a-vec e]
      (if (fn? e)
        (let [[r l & m] a-vec]
          (cons (e l r) m))
        (cons e a-vec)))
    []
    es))
```

```

(defn zero-out-divide-by-zero [fn l r]
  ; if function is division (/) and right-hand operand is 0
  (if (and
        (= fn /)
        (some #{r} [0 0.0 0M]))
    ; return operand
    r
    ; otherwise, execute function
    (fn l r)))

(defn binary-apply-fn [fn r l]
  (apply map (partial zero-out-divide-by-zero fn)
    (list r l)))

(defn postfix-collections [& e]
  (mapcat identity
    (reduce #(if (fn? %2)
                  (let [[r l & m] %]
                    (cons (binary-apply-fn %2 l r) m))
                (cons %2 %) [] e)))

```

4 Core Unit-Test File

```

(ns ex1.core-test
  (:require [ex1.core :refer :all]
    [clojure.test :refer :all]
  ))

```

```

(deftest null-test
  (testing "null test"
    (is (= 1 1))))

```

5 A REPL-based Solution

To run the REPL for interactive programming and testing in org-mode, take the following steps:

1. Set up emacs and nRepl (TODO: explain; automate)
2. Edit your init.el file as follows (TODO: details)
3. Start nRepl while visiting the actual |project-clj| file.
4. Run code in the org-mode buffer with **C-c C-c**; results of evaluation are placed right in the buffer for inspection; they are not copied out to the PDF file.