

## Data Structures (Spring 2020)

### Lab Exercise 6

**Task-1:** Create a C++ Program which converts an Infix expression into a Postfix expression.

#### Algorithm to convert Infix to Postfix<sup>1</sup>

Let, **INFIX** is an arithmetic expression written in infix notation. This algorithm finds the equivalent postfix expression **POSTFIX**.

1. Push "(" onto Stack, and add ")" to the end of **INFIX**.
2. Scan **INFIX** from left to right and repeat Step 3 to 6 for each element of **INFIX** until the Stack is empty.
3. If an operand is encountered, add it to **POSTFIX**.
4. If a left parenthesis is encountered, push it onto Stack.
5. If an operator is encountered, then:
  - a. Repeatedly pop from Stack and add to **POSTFIX** each operator (from top of the Stack) which has the same precedence as or higher precedence than operator.
  - b. Add operator to Stack.[End of If]
6. If a right parenthesis is encountered, then:
  - a. Repeatedly pop from Stack and add to **POSTFIX** each operator (from top of the Stack) until a left parenthesis is encountered.
  - b. Remove the left Parenthesis from Stack.[End of If]
7. END.

Check your code with following infix expressions and expected outputs:

Enter an infix expression: ((a+b)/c)  
The postfix form is: ab+c/

Enter an infix expression: 2+3\*4  
The postfix form is: 234\*+

Enter an infix expression: 2\*(A-B)+3+C  
The postfix form is: 2AB-\*3+C+

Enter an infix expression: 3\*(4-2^5)+6  
The postfix form is: 3425^-\*6+

1 Ref: <https://www.includehelp.com/c/infix-to-postfix-conversion-using-stack-with-c-program.aspx>

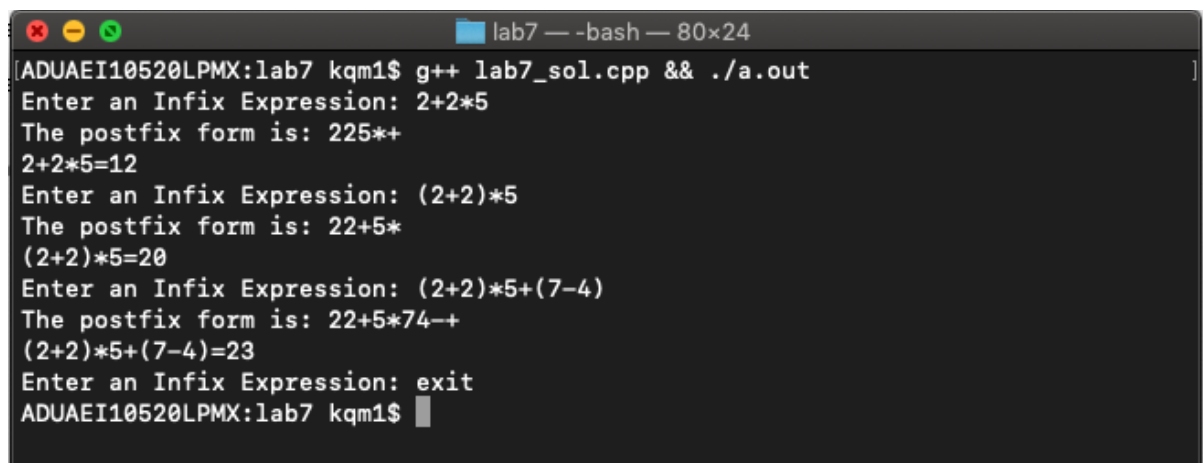
**Task-2:** Add a function called “**evaluate()**” to your program, which evaluate the postfix expression using a Stack and returns the result to the calling program.

Algorithm to evaluate a postfix expression

1. Create a stack to store the operands (values)
2. Scan the **POSTFIX** expression from left to right for every element
  - a. if the element is an operand push it to the stack
  - b. if the element is an operator pop 2 elements from the stack, apply the operator on it and push the result back to the stack
3. The element/value left on the stack is the final answer of the expression.

Note: For simplicity you can assume that every number and operator is only one letter long.

Output of your program should look similar to the following:



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lab7 — -bash — 80x24
ADUAEI10520LPMX:lab7 kqm1$ g++ lab7_sol.cpp && ./a.out
Enter an Infix Expression: 2+2*5
The postfix form is: 225*+
2+2*5=12
Enter an Infix Expression: (2+2)*5
The postfix form is: 22+5*
(2+2)*5=20
Enter an Infix Expression: (2+2)*5+(7-4)
The postfix form is: 22+5*74-+
(2+2)*5+(7-4)=23
Enter an Infix Expression: exit
ADUAEI10520LPMX:lab7 kqm1$
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**Task-3:** Instead of using the STL stack, create your own stack class, called CStack, and use it for tasks 1 and 2 above. The class CStack should contains at least following Methods:

- **push(e):** Insert element e at the top of the stack
- **pop():** Remove the top element from the stack; error if empty
- **top():** Return a reference to (value of) the top element on the stack, without removing it; error if empty
- **size():** Return the number of elements in the stack.
- **empty():** Return true if the stack is empty and false otherwise.