

# Project: Assembly Language II

COSC 216.001

Due Date: November 3, 2021, 11:59pm

## 1 Overview

Each student is asked to write an assembly language program that accesses and makes use of C-subroutines.

### 1.1 Objectives

- Understanding Assembly language code
- Interfacing C and Assembly code.

## 2 Detailed Description

### 2.1 Introduction

In this project you are asked to integrate pre-existing C-functions into your assembly language program. Your code, while written in assembly language, will have to pass parameters, call C functions, and utilize the return values. You will need to understand the C-function interface and call structure.

### 2.2 What to do

You are to implement a simple postfix to infix expression converter. Your assembly language program should assume a string address is passed in via R3. You should then run the simplified postfix to infix algorithm specified below. Your code should call the following C-functions, as necessary:

`int strlen(char *s)` // returns the length of string s  
`char *concat(char *s1, char *s2)` // allocates and returns a string that is the concatenation of strings s1 and s2.  
`void *allocate(unsigned long bytes)` // If possible, allocates bytes from the heap. This is an all-or-nothing attempt.  
`int stackSize()` // returns the number of items stored in stack  
`void push(char *s)` // adds s to the top of the stack.  
`char *pop()` // removes and returns the string at the top of the stack.  
`char *peek()` // returns the string at the top of the stack, without modifying the stack.

### 2.2.1 Postfix to Infix Algorithm

Process each character of the input as follows:

1. if the character is a blank, skip it.
2. if the character is a digit, put it onto the stack.
3. otherwise, it is an operator
  - (a) pop the term2 off the stack
  - (b) pop the term1 off the stack
  - (c) concatenate: '(' + term1 + operator + term2 + ')'
  - (d) push the concatenated string onto the stack
4. At the end of the input string, if there is only one thing on the stack, it is the converted infix formulation of the expression.

## 2.3 Running your code

Please use the VisUAL ARM emulator to test your code. You can download VisUAL at: <https://salmanarif.bitbucket.io/visual/downloads.html>

## 3 Submission

Each of your source code files must have a comment near the top that contains your name, StudentID, and M-number.

The project should be submitted via Blackboard by **November 3, 2021, 11:59pm**. Follow these instructions to turn in your project.

You should submit the following files:

- `post2infix.s`
- *any other source files your project needs*

The following submission directions use the instructions that we will use for all projects this semester.

1. create a directory for your project:

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mkdir asm2
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2. create (or copy) all of your source files in this directory. Example: To copy a file called `example.s` into your `c2asm` directory:

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cp example.s asm2
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3. change parent directory of your project directory:

```
cd asm2/..
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4. Create a tar file named `<user_name>.tar.gz`, where `<user_name>` is your studentID and `<proj_dir>` is the directory containing the code for your project, by typing:

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tar -czf <user_name>.tar asm2
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5. Finally, submit the compressed tar file to Blackboard in accordance with the class policies.

**Late assignments will not be given credit.**

## 4 Grading

While this rubric is subject to change based on class performance, the current grading rubric for this assignment is as follows:

| component    | value |
|--------------|-------|
| Correctness  | 40    |
| Completeness | 40    |
| Code Quality | 20    |