Computer Organization CSI 504 – Fall 2023 Programming Assignment-2

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1 How the Program Was Tested

In order to make sure that the program works properly and gives results we conducted tests. These tests included scenarios, like expressions and single digit expressions as well, as more complicated cases that involved nested parentheses and various arithmetic operations.

2 Testing Outputs

I ran the program through the MIPS simulator. Observed that the outputs matched the expected results, for the provided test cases. The output format included both the expression, in postfix notation and the calculated result.

Listing 1: Example Testing Output

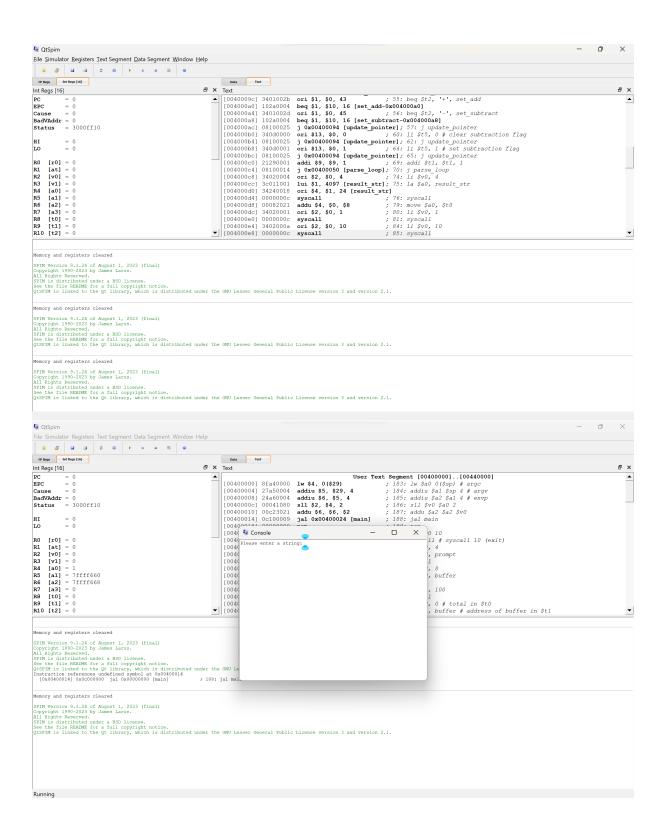
Input Expression: ((1-3)+5)Postfix Notation: 13-5+

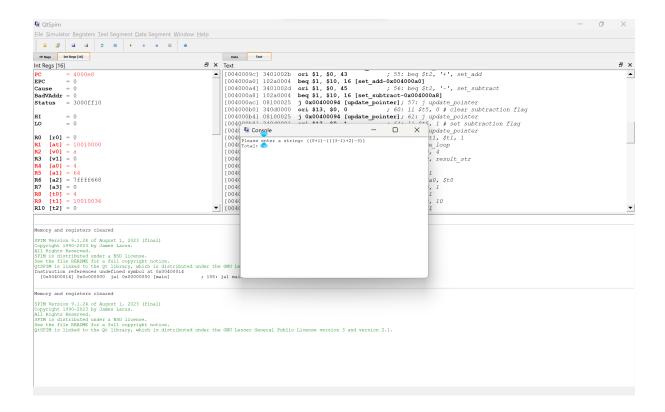
Result: 3

Input Expression: (1-(3+5))Postfix Notation: 135+-

Result: -7

Below are the screenshots attached:





3 How to Run the Program

To run the program, follow these steps:

- 1. Open the MIPS simulator.
- 2. Load the assembly file into the simulator.
- 3. Execute the program.

4 Parameters

The program does not require any parameters to run. All inputs are provided via the keyboard during execution.

5 Program Code

```
.data
prompt: .asciiz "Please enter a string: "
result_str: .asciiz "Total: "

.text
.globl main

main:
    # Print prompt
    li $v0, 4
    la $a0, prompt
    syscall

# Read input string
    li $v0, 8
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la $a0, buffer
    li $a1, 100
    syscall
    # Initialize total to 0
    li $t0, 0 # total in $t0
    la $t1, buffer # address of buffer in $t1
parse_loop:
    1b $t2, 0($t1) # load next byte from buffer to $t2
    beqz $t2, print_result # if zero (end of string), go to print_result
    # Check if character is '(' or ')'
    beq $t2, '(', skip_char
    beq $t2, ')', skip_char
    # Check if character is digit
    li $t3, '0'
    li $t4, '9'
    blt $t2, $t3, check_operator
    bgt $t2, $t4, check_operator
    # If we are here, character is a digit.
    # Add or subtract it to/from total.
    sub $t2, $t2, '0' # convert ASCII to integer
    bnez $t5, subtract
    add $t0, $t0, $t2
    j update_pointer
subtract:
    sub $t0, $t0, $t2
update_pointer:
    # Move to the next character
    addi $t1, $t1, 1
    j parse_loop
check_operator:
    # Check if character is '+' or '-'
    beq $t2, '+', set_add
    beq $t2, '-', set_subtract
    j update_pointer
set_add:
    li $t5, 0 \# clear subtraction flag
    j update_pointer
set_subtract:
    li $t5, 1 # set subtraction flag
    j update_pointer
skip_char:
    # Skip this character
    addi $t1, $t1, 1
    j parse_loop
print_result:
    # Print the result string
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li \$v0, 4
la \$a0, result_str
syscall

Print the total
move \$a0, \$t0
li \$v0, 1
syscall

Exit the program
li \$v0, 10
syscall

.data

buffer: .space 100