

# STACKS AND QUEUES 1

**Problem 1.** Write a program to check for balancing brackets

A bracket is considered to be any one of the following characters: (, ), {, }, [, or ].

Two brackets are considered to be a matched pair if the an opening bracket ( i.e., (, [, or { ) occurs to the left of a closing bracket ( i.e., ), ], or } ) of the exact same type. There are three types of matched pairs of brackets: [], {}, and ().

A matching pair of brackets is not balanced if the set of brackets it encloses are not matched. For example, { [( ) ] } is not balanced because the contents in between { and } are not balanced. The pair of square brackets encloses a single, unbalanced opening bracket, (, and the pair of parentheses encloses a single, unbalanced closing square bracket, ].

By this logic, we say a sequence of brackets is balanced if the following conditions are met:

- It contains no unmatched brackets.
- The subset of brackets enclosed within the confines of a matched pair of brackets is also a matched pair of brackets.

Give a string of brackets, determine whether each sequence of brackets is balanced.

Example:

- The string { [( ) ] } meets both criteria for being a balanced string
- The string { [( ) ] } is not balanced because the brackets enclosed by the matched pair { and } are not balanced: [ ( ) ]
- The string { { [ [ ( ( ) ) ] ] } } meets both criteria for being a balanced string

**Problem 2.** Write a program to convert an infix expression that includes ^, (, ), +, -, \*, and / to postfix.

Given an infix expression in the form of a string **str**. Convert this infix expression to postfix expression.

- **Infix expression:** The expression of the form A **op** B. When an operator is in-between every pair of operands.
- **Postfix expression:** The expression of the form A B **op**. When an operator is followed for every pair of operands.

Example:

- Input - Infix expression:  $A+B*(C^D-E)^{(F+G*H)}-I$   
Output - Postfix expression:  $ABCD^E-FGH*+^*+I-$
- Input - Infix expression:  $A*(B+C)/D$   
Output - Postfix expression:  $ABC+*D/$

**Problem 3.** Write a program to convert a postfix expression to infix.

Example:

- Input – Postfix expression: ABC++
- Output – Infix expression: (A+(B+C))
- Input – Postfix expression: AB\*C+
- Output – Infix expression: ((A\*B)+C)

**Problem 4.** Write a program to evaluate a prefix expression.

- **Prefix expression:** The expression of the form **op** A B. When an operator is before for every pair of operands.

Give a prefix expression, the task is to evaluate the expression and print the final value. Operators will only include the basic arithmetic operators like \*, /, + and -.

Example:

- Input: - + 7 \* 4 5 + 2 0
- Output: 25