# **Computer Organization**

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CSI 504 – Fall 2023

**Programming Assignment-2** 

Assigned: Thursday, October 19th, 2023.

Due: Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, through your Blackboard account by 11:59 PM. Submissions with 20% penalty will be accepted by Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, by 11:59.

Unlimited number of submissions is allowed.

## **Objective**

To acquire expertise in stack manipulation and management, subroutine linkage and return conventions.

## **Description**

You are to write a complete program in MIPS assembly language that evaluates arithmetic expressions. The expressions must be *fully parenthesized* and include the following expressions.

- 1. + (addition)
- 2. (subtraction)

For simplicity all input values for the expressions will be a single base ten digit (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9). Your program must be composed of four states: *input, convert-to-postfix, evaluate, and output* states. At *input* data must be provided through the keyboard and stored as an array of characters. After one expression is entered your program moves to the *convert-to-postfix* state. At this state your expression must be converted to the postfix notation using a stack-based algorithm. Your program must then move to the evaluate state which evaluates the postfix expression using a stack-based algorithm. At the output state your code must display the complete expression in the postfix notation followed by the = symbol and the expression's numeric result.

## Example

Some valid expressions and their corresponding postfix notations are:

- a) ((1-3)+5) corresponds to 13-5+ in postfix notation.
- b) (1-(3+5)) corresponds to 135+- in postfix notation.

Shown below is the Console display for expression a) above:

#### Console

Expression to be evaluated:

((1-3)+5)

13-5+=3

# **Valid Input Expressions**

Valid input expressions are completely parenthesized, infix arithmetic expressions consisting of nonnegative integer digits, and the two operations +, -. The following definition gives all such valid expressions:

- 1. Any nonnegative integer is a valid infix expression.
- 2. If a and b are valid infix expressions, then (a + b), and (a b) are valid infix expressions.
- 3. The only valid infix expressions are those defined by steps 1 and 2.

The character string ((5-1)+3) is an example of a complete parenthesized expression. All valid fully parenthesized infix expressions will have at least one operator.

#### **Documentation**

Your program must be developed using SPIM. It should be modularized and well commented. The following is a tentative marking scheme and what is expected to be submitted.

- 1. External Documentation including as many pages as necessary to fulfill the requirements listed below.
  - a. Title page.
  - b. [10%] Test documentation.
    - i. How you tested your program.
    - ii. Testing outputs.
  - c. [10%] User documentation.
    - i. How to run your program.
    - ii. Describe parameter (if any).
- 2. Source Code.
  - a. [75% total] Correctness.

The following expressions will be used for correctness verification.

- (1+2)i. [5%] (1-(3+5))ii. [5%] iii. [10%] ((5-1)+3)(4 - (1 - 2))iv. [10%] ((6-2) + (2-7))v. [10%] vi. [15%] (((2+1)-5)+(8-4))((8+1) - (((3-1)+2) - 3))vii. [20%]
- b. [5%] Programming style
  - i. Layering.
  - ii. Readability.
  - iii. Comments.

#### What to Submit

The following are to be submitted through Brightspace:

- 1. Copies of all .asm files you created for this exercise as well as
- 2. Screenshots of the results produced by your solution.

All above listed information must be placed in a Microsoft compressed (zipped) folder (.zip). Your .zip folder must be named: 504 Programming Assignment 2- Your Name. Marks will be deducted if you do not follow this requirement.