

$A/B - C + D * E - A * C = ?$

**3.6**

**Evaluation of Expressions**

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3.6.1 **Regular Expression**

$X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$

- Operators
  - +, -, \*, /, ..., etc
- Operands
  - A, B, C, D, E, F

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**Expression Evaluation**

- For  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- If  $A = 4, B=C=2, D=E=3$
  
- For  $X = ((A/B) - C) + (D * E) - (A * C)$
- $X = ((4/2)-2)+(3*3)-(4*2)=1$
  
- For  $X = (A/(B - C + D)) * (E - A) * C$
- $X = (4/(2-2+3))*(3-4)*2 = -2.66666666$

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### Evaluation Rules

- Operators have **priority**
- Operator with **higher priority** is evaluated first
- Operators of **equal priority** are evaluated from **left to right**
- **Unary** operators are evaluated from **right to left**

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### Priority of Operators in CPP

Priority	Operators
1	Minus, !
2	*, /, %
3	+, -
4	<, <=, >=, >
5	==, !=
6	&&
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### Infix and Postfix Notation

- **Infix** notation (中序式)
  - Operator comes in-between the operands
  - Ex. A+B\*C
  - Hard to evaluate using code...
- **Postfix** notation (後序式)
  - Each operator appears after its operands
  - Ex. ABC\*+

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### Advantages of Postfix Notation

- You don't need **parentheses**
- Priority of operators is no longer relevant!
- Expression can be efficiently evaluated by
  - Making a left to right scan
  - **Stacking operands**
  - **Evaluating operators**
  - **Push the result** into stack

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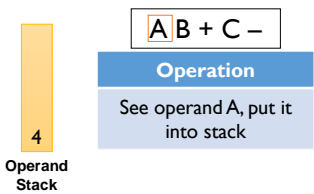
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### Example 1

- Infix:  $A+B - C \Rightarrow$  Postfix:  $A B + C -$
- Suppose  $A = 4, B = 3, C = 2$



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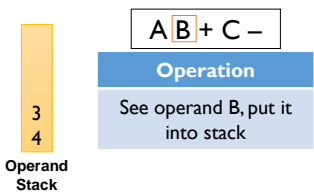
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**Example 1**

- Infix :  $A+B - C \Rightarrow$  Postfix :  $A B + C -$
- Suppose  $A = 4, B = 3, C = 2$

3  
4

Operand  
Stack

$A B + C -$

**Operation**

See operator '+' (binary operator)

1. Pop two elements from stack
2. Perform evaluation (3+4)
3. Push result into stack (7)

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**Example 1**

- Infix :  $A+B - C \Rightarrow$  Postfix :  $A B + C -$
- Suppose  $A = 4, B = 3, C = 2$

2  
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Operand  
Stack

$A B + C -$

**Operation**

See operand C, put it into stack

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**Example 1**

- Infix :  $A+B - C \Rightarrow$  Postfix :  $A B + C -$
- Suppose  $A = 4, B = 3, C = 2$

2  
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Operand  
Stack

$A B + C -$

**Operation**

See operator '-' (binary operator)

1. Pop two elements from stack
2. Perform evaluation (7-2)
3. Push result into stack (5)

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**Example 2**

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = A B / C - DE * + AC * -$

The diagram shows a vertical yellow bar representing an operand stack with the letter 'A' inside. Below the bar is the text 'Operand Stack'. To the right is a blue box with the title 'Operation' and the text 'See operand A, put it into stack'.

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**Example 2**

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = A B / C - DE * + AC * -$

The diagram shows a vertical yellow bar representing an operand stack with 'B' above 'A'. Below the bar is the text 'Operand Stack'. To the right is a blue box with the title 'Operation' and the text 'See operand B, put it into stack'.

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**Example 2**

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = A B / C - DE * + AC * -$

The diagram shows a vertical yellow bar representing an operand stack with 'B' above 'A'. Below the bar is the text 'Operand Stack'. To the right is a blue box with the title 'Operation' and the text 'See operator \'/'. Below the title is a list: 1. Pop two elements from stack, 2. Perform evaluation ( $T_1 = A/B$ ), 3. Push result into stack ( $T_1$ ).

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**Example 2**

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = AB/C - DE * + AC * -$

C  
T<sub>1</sub>

**Operation**

See operand C, put it into stack

Operand Stack

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**Example 2**

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = AB/C - DE * + AC * -$

C  
T<sub>2</sub>

**Operation**

See operator '-'

1. Pop two elements from stack
2. Perform evaluation ( $T_2 = T_1 - C$ )
3. Push result into stack ( $T_2$ )

Operand Stack

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**Example 2**

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = AB/C - DE * + AC * -$

D  
T<sub>2</sub>

**Operation**

See operand D, put it into stack

Operand Stack

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### Example 2

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = AB/C - DE * + AC * -$

E  
D  
T<sub>2</sub>

Operation

See operand E, put it into stack

Operand Stack

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### Example 2

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = AB/C - DE * + AC * -$

E  
D<sub>3</sub>  
T<sub>2</sub>

Operation

See operator '\*'

- Pop two elements from stack
- Perform evaluation ( $T_3 = D * E$ )
- Push result into stack ( $T_3$ )

Operand Stack

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### Example 2

- Infix:  $X = A/B - C + D * E - A * C$
- Postfix:  $X = AB/C - DE * + AC * -$

T<sub>3</sub>  
T<sub>2</sub>

Operation

See operator '+'

- Pop two elements from stack
- Perform evaluation ( $T_4 = T_2 + T_3$ )
- Push result into stack ( $T_4$ )

Try the rest of steps yourself!

Operand Stack

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### Evaluation Pseudo Code

```

void Eval(Expression e)
{
    // Assume the last token of e is '#'
    // A function NextToken is used to get next token in e
    Stack<Token> stack; // initialize stack
    for (Token x = NextToken(e); x != '#'; x = NextToken(e)) {
        if (x is an operand) stack.Push(x);
        else {
            // Remove the correct number of operands from stack
            // Perform the evaluation
            // Push the result back to stack
            // ***Try to fill up the code ***
        }
    }
}
    
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### Infix to Postfix

- Fully parenthesize algorithm:
  - Fully parenthesize the expression
  - Move all operators so they replace the corresponding right parentheses
  - Delete all parentheses

$$(((A/B) - C) + (D * E)) - (A * C)$$

A B / C - D E \* + A C \* -

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### Smarter Infix to Postfix Algorithm

- Utilize **stack**
- Scan the expression only once
- The order of operands does not change between infix and postfix
  - Output every visited operand directly
- ❖ Use stack to store visited operators and pop them out at the proper sequence
  - When the **priority** of the operator on top of stack is **higher or equal to** that of the incoming operator (left-to-right associativity)

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### Example 1

- Infix:  $A + B * C$

Next token	Stack	Output
None	Empty	None
A	Empty	A
+	+	A
B	+	AB
*	+	AB
C	+	ABC
	+	ABC*
	Empty	ABC*+

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### Example 2

- Infix:  $A * (B + C) * D$

Next token	Stack	Output
None	Empty	None
A	Empty	A
*	*	A
(	*(	A
B	*(	AB
+	*(+	AB
C	*(+	ABC
)	*	ABC+
*	*	ABC*+
D	*	ABC*+D
	Empty	ABC*+D*

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### Notes: Expression with ( )

- '(' has the highest priority, always push to stack.
- Once pushed, '(' get the lowest priority.
- ')' has the lowest priority, therefore pop the operators in the stack until you see the matched '(', then eliminate both.

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## Postfix Pseudo Code

```
void Postfix(Expression e)
{ // Assume the last token of e is '#'
  // A function NextToken is used to get next token in e
  Stack<Token> stack; // initialize stack
  for (Token x = NextToken(e); x != '#'; x = NextToken(e)){
    if(x is an operand) cout << x;
    else if (x == '('){ // pop until '('
      for(; stack.Top()!='('; stack.Pop()) cout<<stack.Top();
      stack.Pop(); // pop '('
    }
    else{ // x is an operator
      for(;icp(stack.Top()) <= icp(x);stack.Pop())
        cout<<stack.Top();
      stack.Push(x);
    }
  }
  // end of expression; empty the stack
  for(!stack.IsEmpty(); cout << stack.Top(), stack.Pop());
};
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