

CSE305, Spring 2023 Assignment 4 Due Thu. Apr. 6, 11:59pm

Reading:

First, review the notes for the Thursday 3/30 lecture and try the examples in them for yourself. Also read Chapter 15, section 15.1 (only) of the previously-noted OCaml-based book by Stuart Schieber <https://book.cs51.io/pdfs/abstraction.pdf>, which includes some compare-contrast of pointers in C/C++ and references in OCaml. (The short page <http://wide.land/mut/refs.html> may be good to read first, but the examples of `ref` on the official OCaml site and some others go in directions that are less useful right now.) Then also for next week, read chapters 8 of Sebesta and look ahead to chapters 9 and 10.

—Assignment 4, due Thu. 4/6 “midnight stretchy” *only on CSE Autograder (no TopHat)*—

(1) (9 + 9 + 12 = 30 pts.)

Write expression trees for the following arithmetical and/or logical expressions. Then convert them into postfix notation. For (b) and (c) you are welcome to use the alternative C/C++/Java notation both in the tree nodes and in the postfix. Do not simplify them.

(a) $4 + (x+y)*(x-y)$

(b) $(x \vee y) \leftrightarrow \neg(y \wedge z)$. Or in C notation: $(x \ || \ y) == !(y \ \&\& \ z)$.

(c) $y = \text{if } a+b \leq 3 \text{ then } 3 \text{ else } a+b$, or in C notation: $y = (a+b \leq 3 ? 3 : a+b)$

(2) (15 + 15 = 30 pts. total)

Diagram the storage objects and trace their changes in value during the execution of the following C program with pointers. (You can refer to section 6.11.4 of Sebesta; the line `p = &z`; means that the pointer `p` gets as its value the binding address of the ordinary variable `z`. Also you are welcome to compile and run the program to check your work.)

```
#include<stdio.h>
int main() {
    int w,z;
    int *p; int *q;

    w = z = 15;
    p = &z;
    q = p;
    *p = (*q) + w;
    w = 3*z - (w + *q);

    printf("w = %d and z = %d and *p = %d and *q = %d\n", w,z,*p,*q);
    return 0;
}
```

Then translate the five lines with assignments into our rudimentary stack-based language, using `store` and `pop` as well as `fetch` and the postfix operations.

(3) (18 pts.)

Recall the OCaml datatype for which we drew a parse tree in Assignment 2, but now without `Parens` and extended with `Times` and `Div` options, hence simply called `exp`:

```
type 'a exp = Const of 'a | Var of string
  | Neg of 'a exp
  | Plus of 'a exp * 'a exp
  | Minus of 'a exp * 'a exp
  | Times of 'a exp * 'a exp
  | Div of 'a exp * 'a exp
```

Our target will be a datatype for the stack commands. For now, we can use

```
type 'a ptoken = PConst of 'a | PVar of string
  | PNeg | PPlus | PMinus | PTimes | PDiv
  | Fetch | Store | Pop
```

Write a function `pcompile` of type `'a exp -> 'a ptoken list` that executes a postorder traversal on the expression tree that is given and outputs the resulting list of postfix tokens. This is not yet implementing assignments or other mutation, so `Store` and `Pop` will be unused, and every `PVar str` that you output will be an *rvalue* so you can automatically follow it by `Fetch` in the output list.

(We will extend both datatypes later—and will encounter some software engineering issues along the way. One issue is immediately apparent: since we don't (yet) have encapsulation or namespace guarding, we shy away from using the same constructor names `Const`, `Var`, `Neg` etc. in the `ptoken` type. You can read the extra 'P' as standing for "push" in the first two cases and for "postfix" on the operators.)

(4) (12 pts.)

The end of the Thu. 3/30 lecture gave the translation of `++x` as

```
x x fetch 1 + store
```

A paragraph marked "Added" to the last page of the posted lecture notes notes at <https://cse.buffalo.edu/~regan/cse305/CSE305Week8Thu.pdf> points out an issue that was also noted in the two translations of `arr[i]`. The translation can change when the element is in an *lvalue* context from when it is an *rvalue*. Consider the following C statements relating to an example earlier in the lecture:

```
int x,y;
x = 3;
y = ++x;
y = ++(++x);
```

Show that `y = ++x;` works fine with the above translation, but `y = ++(++x);` breaks down. Show the expression trees for each with the 'R' and 'L' labels for *rvalue* and *lvalue* at each node, and explain the issue as best you can. If you wish, you may suggest a possible "switch-hitting" translation for `pre++` that will generalize and work in the latter case, for up to 9 points possible extra credit. (This makes 90 regular credit points total, plus the possible 9.)