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Problem #1

Question on the definition of ADT Stack

- A) Our definition of ADT Stack has a.o. the following operations pop, push(newItem), and getStackTop (stackTop).
- B) Variations of our definition of the ADT Stack are common. There are authors which do not include the inspection/copy of the top of the stack as an operation. They will have then a push(newItem) and pop(topStack) where the top of the stack is copied into topStack.

Find ways to simulate the two operations in B) using the operations in A). And the other way around: find ways of simulating the three operations in A) using the two operations in B).

Problem #2

Evaluating Postfix Expressions.

Some calculators use a postfix convention. For example, to compute the value of

2*(3+4)

By using a postfix calculator, you would enter the sequence 2, 3, 4, +, * which corresponds to the postfix expression

2 3 4 + *

Recall that an operator in a postfix expression applies to the two operands that immediately precede it. Thus, the calculator must be able to retrieve the operands entered most recently.

Formalize the action of the calculator using an appropriate ADT to obtain an algorithm that evaluates a postfix expression, which is entered as a string of characters. To avoid issues that cloud the algorithm with programming details assume that

- The string is a syntactically correct postfix expression
- No unary operators are present
- No exponentiation operators are present
- Operands are single uppercase letters that represent integer values.

Provide the algorithm in pseudocode.

Problem #3

Do Exercises 1,2,3,4, and 8 on page 166 of Drozdek.

Problem #4

Consider the following mathematical specification of an ADT

Abstract Type: T

Uses Types: Boolean, Element

Operations:

Create: \rightarrow T

- *z*: Element x T \rightarrow T
- $p: T \rightarrow Element$
- *r*: T → T

Axioms:

H is in T; v and w in Element

- 1. *p*(*z*(v,*create*()) = v;
- 2. $r(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{v}, create()) = create();$
- 3. p(z(v,z(w,H))) = p(z(w,H))
- 4. r(z(v,z(w,H))) = z(v,r(z(w,H)))

Unravel the above mystery: is the above ADT specified one of the standard ADTs? If so which one?

Problem 5

Dictionary

An *abstract data type* storing items, or values. A value is accessed by an associated <u>key</u>. Basic operations are create, insert, find and delete.

Can you describe this ADT axiomatically. Follow the same pattern as we have given for the above mystery ADT.

Problem 6



- a) How can you implement a stack using an implementation of ADT List?
- b) How can you implement a stack using an implementation of ADT ListDrozdek?
- c) What about a deque?
- d) Given an implementation for ADT List how can you (quickly) find an implementation for ADT ListDrozdek?
- e) What about the other way around?