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# JEFF File Format

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# 1 Introduction

## 1.1 What is JEFF

This document describes the JEFF File Format. This format is designed to download and store on a platform object oriented programs written in portable code. The distribution of applications is not the target of this specification.

The goal of JEFF is to provide a ready-for-execution format allowing programs to be executed directly from static memory, thus avoiding the necessity to recopy classes into dynamic runtime memory for execution.

The constraints put on the design of JEFF are the following:

- ?? Any set of class files must be translatable into a single JEFF file.
- ?? JEFF must be a ready-for-execution format. A virtual machine can use it efficiently, directly from static memory (ROM, flash memory...). No copy in dynamic runtime memory or extra data modification shall be needed.
- ?? All the standard behaviors and features of a virtual machine such as Java™ virtual machine must be reproducible using JEFF.
- ?? In particular, JEFF must facilitate “symbolic linking” of classes. The replacement of a class definition by another class definition having a compatible signature (same class name, same fields and same method signatures) must not require any modifications in the other class definitions.

The main consequences of these choices are:

- ?? A JEFF file can contain several classes from several packages. The content can be a complete application, parts of it, or only one class.
- ?? To allow “symbolic linking” of classes, the references between classes must be kept at the symbolic level, even within a single JEFF file.
- ?? The binary content of a JEFF file is adapted to be efficiently read by a wide range of processors (with different byte orders, alignments, etc.).
- ?? JEFF is also a highly efficient format for the dynamic downloading of class definitions to dynamic memory (RAM).

The limitations introduced by the use of JEFF are described in chapter 5 Restrictions.

### 1.1.1 Benefits

JEFF is a file format standard, which allows storing on-platform non pre-linked classes in a form that does not require any modification for efficient execution. JEFF exhibits a large range of benefits:

- ?? The first of these benefits is that classes represented with JEFF can be executed directly from storage memory, without requiring any loading into runtime memory in order to be translated in a format adequate for execution. This results in a dramatic economy of runtime memory: programs with a size of several hundreds of kilobytes may then be executed with only a few kilobytes of dynamic runtime memory thanks to JEFF.
- ?? The second benefit of JEFF is the saving of the processing time usually needed at the start of an execution to load into dynamic memory the stored classes.
- ?? The third benefit is that JEFF does not require the classes to be pre-linked, hence fully preserving the flexibility of portable code technologies. With JEFF, programs can be

updated on-platform by the mere replacement of some individual classes without requiring to replace the complete program. This provides a decisive advantage over previously proposed "ready-for-execution" formats providing only pre-linked programs.

?? A last benefit of JEFF is that it allows a compact storage of programs, twice smaller than usual class file format, and this without any compression.

## 1.2 Scope

JEFF can be used with benefits on all kinds of platform.

JEFF's most immediate interest is for deploying portable applications on small footprint devices. JEFF provides dramatic savings of dynamic memory and execution time without sacrificing any of the flexibility usually attached to the use of non-pre-linked portable code.

JEFF is especially important to provide a complete solution to execute portable programs of which code size is bigger than the available dynamic memory.

JEFF is also very important when fast reactivity of programs is important. By avoiding the extra-processing related to loading into dynamic memory and formatting classes at runtime, JEFF provides a complete answer to the problem of class-loading slow-down.

These benefits are particularly interesting for small devices supporting financial applications. Such applications are often complex and relying on code of significant size, while the pressure of the market often imposes to these devices to be of a low price and, consequently, to be very small footprint platforms. In addition, to not impose unacceptable delays to customers, it is important these applications to not waste time in loading classes into dynamic memory when they are launched but, on the contrary, to be immediately actively processing the transaction with no delay. When using smart cards, there are also some loose real-time constraints that are better handled if it can be granted that no temporary freezing of processing can occur due to class loading.

JEFF can also be of great benefit for devices dealing with real-time applications. In this case, avoiding the delays due to class loading can play an important role to satisfy real-time constraints.

## 1.3 References

This document is a self-contained specification of the JEFF format standard. However, to ease the understanding of this specification, the reading of the following document is recommended as informative reference :

\\NSI p5 note 1	[1] The Java™ Virtual Machine Specification, Second Edition, by Tim Lindholm and Franck Yellin, 496 pages, Addison Wesley, April 1999, ISBN 0201432943.
	[1] The Java™ Virtual Machine Specification, Second Edition, by Tim Lindholm and Frank Yellin, 496 pages, Addison Wesley, April 1999, ISBN 0201432943.

ANSI p6 note 8	[2] The Java™ Language Specification, Second Edition, by Bill Joy, Guy Steele, James Gosling and Gilad Bracha, 544 pages, Addison Wesley, June 5 2000, ISBN 0201310082.
	<del>[2] The Java™ Language Specification, Second Edition, by Bill Joy, Guy Steele, James Gosling and Gilad Bracha, 544 pages, Addison Wesley, June 5 2000, ISBN 0201310082.</del>  The next references are normative references:  [2] IEC 60559:1989, Binary floating point arithmetic for microprocessor systems  [3] ISO/IEC 10646-1:1993, Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set (UCS)

## 1.4 Definitions

<b>Class</b>	Logical entity that provides a set of related fields and methods. The class is a basic element for object-oriented languages.
<b>Package</b>	Set of classes
<b>bytecode</b>	A bytecode is the binary value of the encoding of a JEFF instruction. By extension, bytecode is used to designate the instruction itself.
<b>cell</b>	4-octet word used by bytecode interpreters.
<b>byte</b>	an octet: representation of an unsigned 8-bit value

## 2 Data Types

ANSI p6 note 1, !	This chapter describes the data types used by the JEFF format specification. All the values in a JEFF file are stored on one, two, four or eight bytes. In this document, the expression “null value” is synonym of a value of zero.
	This chapter describes the data types used by the JEFF format specification. All the values in a JEFF file are stored on one, two, four or eight <b>contiguous</b> bytes. In this document, <b>the expression “null value” is a synonym for a value of zero of the appropriate type.</b>

### 2.1 Basic Types

ANSI p6 note 3, !, 5	The types <b>TU1</b> , <b>TU2</b> , and <b>TU4</b> represent an unsigned one-, two-, or four-byte quantity, respectively. The types <b>TS1</b> , <b>TS2</b> , and <b>TS4</b> represent a signed one-, two-, four-byte quantity, respectively.
	The types <b>TU1</b> , <b>TU2</b> , and <b>TU4</b> represent an unsigned one-, two- <b>and</b> four-byte <b>integer</b> , respectively. The types <b>TS1</b> , <b>TS2</b> , and <b>TS4</b> represent a signed one-, two- <b>and</b> four-byte <b>integer</b> , respectively.

### 2.2 Language Types

ANSI p6 note 6	The language types like <b>int</b> , <b>short</b> or <b>char</b> are represented internally as follows:
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ANSI p6 note 7, 8, 9, 10, 1 SIS 1 IISC	<b>Format Types</b>	<b>Language Types</b>	<b>Format</b>	<b>Min. Value</b>	<b>Max. Value</b>
	JBYTE	byte	8-bit signed integer	-128	127
	JSHORT	short	16-bit signed integer	-32768	32767
	JINT	int	32-bit signed integer	-2147483648	2147483647
	JLONG	long	64-bit signed integer	-9.2233e+18	9.2233e+18
	JFLOAT	float	32-bit IEEE 754	-	-
	JDOUBLE	double	64-bit IEEE 754	-	-
	JCHAR	char	16-bit Unicode char	0	Unicode max.
	<b>Format Types</b>	<b>Language Types</b>	<b>Format</b>	<del>Min. Value</del>	<del>Max. Value</del>
	JBYTE	byte	8-bit signed integer	<del>-128</del>	<del>127</del>
	JSHORT	short	16-bit signed integer	<del>-32768</del>	<del>32767</del>
	JINT	int	32-bit signed integer	<del>-2147483648</del>	<del>2147483647</del>
	JLONG	long	64-bit signed integer	<del>-9.2233e+18</del>	<del>9.2233e+18</del>
	JFLOAT	float	IEC 60559 [2] single format	=	=
	JDOUBLE	double	IEC 60559 [2] double format	=	=
	<del>JCHAR</del>	<del>char</del>	<del>16-bit Unicode char</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>Unicode max.</del>

ANSI p6 note 12 SIS 2B	Note: The floating-point data are always stored in the file using the <b>JFLOAT</b> and <b>JDOUBLE</b> format corresponding to 32- and 64-bit IEEE 754 specification. The byte order used is the global byte order used for the whole file. If a specific processor does not use this order, the virtual machine is responsible for the data translation during the download or at runtime.				
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<div><div>IISC</div><div>Comments on Unicode IISC</div></div>	-
	<div><h2>2.3 Strings</h2><h3>2.2.1 Definition</h3><p>In this specification, a <i>character</i> is defined in [3]. A <i>string</i> is an array of characters. Strings are encoded in the JEFF files as a <b>VMString</b> type (see below).</p><h3>2.2.2 Comparison</h3><p>In this document, comparisons of strings are based on the lexicographic order of the numerical values of their characters.</p><h3>2.2.3 Representation</h3></div>

<div><div>ANSI p6</div><div>Note 13</div></div>	The character strings are stored in the following structure:
	<b>In the JEFF file, strings are stored according to the following structure:</b>

<div><div>IISC</div><div>Minor 2</div></div>	<pre>VMConstUtf8 {     TU2 nStringLength;     TU1 nStringValue[]; }</pre>
	<pre>VMString {     TU2 nStringLength;     TU1 nStringValue[nStringLength]; }</pre>

The items of the **VMString** structure are as follows:

**nStringLength**

The length of the encoded string, in bytes. This value may be different from the number of characters in the string.

**nStringValue**

<div><div>IISC</div><div>Comments on Unicode</div></div>	The string value encoded with the Utf8 format as defined in the Virtual Machine Specification (see [1]).
	This array of byte is an encoding of the value of the string following the UTF-8 encoding algorithm defined in [3].

## 2.3 Specific Types

ANSI p7 note 1	These types are used to store values with a specific meaning.
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Types	Description	Format
<b>VMACCESS</b>	Access Flag (see values below)	16-bit vector
<b>VMTYPE</b>	Type descriptor (see values below)	8-bit vector
<b>VMNCELL</b>	Number of virtual machine cells	16-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMOFFSET</b>	Memory offset (in bytes)	16-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMDOFFSET</b>	Memory offset (in bytes)	32-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMCINDEX</b>	Class Index	16-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMPINDEX</b>	Package Index	16-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMFINDEX</b>	Field Index	32-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMMINDEX</b>	Method Index	32-bit unsigned integer

Types	Description	Format
<b>VMACCESS</b>	Access Flag (see 2.3.1)	16-bit vector
<b>VMTYPE</b>	Type descriptor (see 2.3.2)	8-bit vector
<b>VMNCELL</b>	Index in an array of U4 values	16-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMOFFSET</b>	Memory offset (see 2.3.3)	16-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMDOFFSET</b>	Memory offset (see 2.3.3)	32-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMCINDEX</b>	Class Index (see 3.1)	16-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMPINDEX</b>	Package Index (see 3.1)	16-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMMINDEX</b>	Method Index (see 3.1)	32-bit unsigned integer
<b>VMFINDEX</b>	Field Index (see 3.1)	32-bit unsigned integer

### 2.3.1 Access flags

ANSI p7 note 4	The <b>VMACCESS</b> type describes the access privileges for classes, methods and fields. This type is conforming to the access flag type defined in the “Virtual Machine Specification” (see <a href="#">[1]</a> ). It's a bit vector with the following values:
	The <b>VMACCESS</b> type describes the access privileges for classes, methods and fields. The <b>VMACCESS</b> type is a bit vector with the following values:

Flag Name	Value	Meaning
<b>Class</b>		
<b>ACC_PUBLIC</b>	0x0001	Is public; may be accessed from outside its package.
<b>ACC_FINAL</b>	0x0010	Is final; no subclasses allowed.
<b>ACC_SUPER</b>	0x0020	Treat superclass methods especially in invokespecial.
<b>ACC_INTERFACE</b>	0x0200	Is an interface.
<b>ACC_ABSTRACT</b>	0x0400	Is abstract; may not be instantiated.
<b>Field</b>		
<b>ACC_PUBLIC</b>	0x0001	Is public; may be accessed from outside its package.
<b>ACC_PRIVATE</b>	0x0002	Is private; usable only within the defined class.
<b>ACC_PROTECTED</b>	0x0004	Is protected; may be accessed within subclasses.
<b>ACC_STATIC</b>	0x0008	Is static.
<b>ACC_FINAL</b>	0x0010	Is final; no further overriding or assignment after initialization.
<b>ACC_VOLATILE</b>	0x0040	Is volatile; cannot be cached.
<b>ACC_TRANSIENT</b>	0x0080	Is transient; not written or read by a persistent object manager.
<b>Method</b>		
<b>ACC_PUBLIC</b>	0x0001	Is public; may be accessed from outside its package.
<b>ACC_PRIVATE</b>	0x0002	Is private; usable only within the defined class.
<b>ACC_PROTECTED</b>	0x0004	Is protected; may be accessed within subclasses.
<b>ACC_STATIC</b>	0x0008	Is static.
<b>ACC_FINAL</b>	0x0010	Is final; no overriding is allowed.
<b>ACC_SYNCHRONIZED</b>	0x0020	Is synchronized; wrap use in monitor lock.
<b>ACC_NATIVE</b>	0x0100	Is native; implemented in a language other than the source language.
<b>ACC_ABSTRACT</b>	0x0400	Is abstract; no implementation is provided.
<b>ACC_STRICT</b>	0x0800	The VM is required to perform strict floating-point operations.

Flag Name	Value	Meaning
<b>Class</b>		
ACC_PUBLIC	0x0001	Is public; may be accessed from outside of its package.
ACC_FINAL	0x0010	Is final; no subclasses allowed.
ACC_SUPER	0x0020	Modify the behavior of the <code>jeff_invokespecial</code> bytecodes included in the bytecode area list of this class.
ACC_INTERFACE	0x0200	Is an interface.
ACC_ABSTRACT	0x0400	Is abstract; may not be instantiated.
<b>Field</b>		
ACC_PUBLIC	0x0001	Is public; may be accessed from outside of its package.
ACC_PRIVATE	0x0002	Is private; usable only within the defined class.
ACC_PROTECTED	0x0004	Is protected; may be accessed within subclasses.
ACC_STATIC	0x0008	Is static.
ACC_FINAL	0x0010	Is final; no further overriding or assignment after initialization.
ACC_VOLATILE	0x0040	Is volatile; cannot be cached.
ACC_TRANSIENT	0x0080	Is transient; not written or read by a persistent object manager.
<b>Method</b>		
ACC_PUBLIC	0x0001	Is public; may be accessed from outside of its package.
ACC_PRIVATE	0x0002	Is private; usable only within the defined class.
ACC_PROTECTED	0x0004	Is protected; may be accessed within subclasses.
ACC_STATIC	0x0008	Is static.
ACC_FINAL	0x0010	Is final; no overriding is allowed.
ACC_SYNCHRONIZED	0x0020	Is synchronized; wrap use in monitor lock.
ACC_NATIVE	0x0100	Is native; implemented in a language other than the source language.
ACC_ABSTRACT	0x0400	Is abstract; no implementation is provided.
ACC_STRICT	0x0800	The VM is required to perform strict floating-point operations.

## 2.3.2 Type Descriptor

A type descriptor is composed of a type value (a **VMTYPE**), an optional array dimension value (a **TU1**) and an optional class index (a **VMCINDEX**).

<b>ANSI p9 note 3</b>	- The presence or the absence of the optional elements of a type descriptor is explicitly specified everywhere a type descriptor is used in the specification.
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## Type Value

\ANSI p8 note 2	The <b>VMTYPE</b> type is a byte built with one of the following values:
	The <b>VMTYPE</b> type is a byte <b>whose low nibble contains one of the following values:</b>

<b>VM_TYPE_VOID</b>	0x00	Used for the return type of a method
<b>VM_TYPE_SHORT</b>	0x01	
<b>VM_TYPE_INT</b>	0x02	
<b>VM_TYPE_LONG</b>	0x03	
<b>VM_TYPE_BYTE</b>	0x04	
<b>VM_TYPE_CHAR</b>	0x05	
<b>VM_TYPE_FLOAT</b>	0x06	
<b>VM_TYPE_DOUBLE</b>	0x07	
<b>VM_TYPE_BOOLEAN</b>	0x08	
<b>VM_TYPE_OBJECT</b>	0x0A	

\ANSI p8 note 3	These values can be interpreted as a bit field as follows:
	These values <b>are</b> interpreted as a bit field as follows:

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7----4 3--2 1--0
0000 | XX | YY |

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Where:

\ANSI p8 note 4, ;	?? <b>YY</b> is the type size in bytes. The size is: $1 \ll YY$
	?? <b>XX</b> is just used to differentiate the types having the same size.
	?? <b>YY</b> is an encoded representation of the type size in bytes. The actual type size is: $1 \ll YY$ .
	?? <b>XX</b> serves to differentiate types having the same size.

\ANSI p8 note 6	The following flags are also set:
	The following flags <b>may be</b> set:

<b>VM_TYPE_TWO_CELL</b>	0x10	for a type using two virtual machine cells (this flag is not set for an array)
<b>VM_TYPE_REF</b>	0x20	for an object or an array
<b>VM_TYPE_MONO</b>	0x40	for a mono-dimensional array

\ANSI p8 note 7	<b>VM_TYPE_MULTI</b>	0x80	for a n-dimensional array, where $n \geq 2$
	<b>VM_TYPE_MULTI</b>	0x80	for <b>an</b> n-dimensional array, where $n \geq 2$

## Dimension Value

<b>ANSI p8</b> <b>note 8,</b> <b>), 12</b>	The dimension value gives the number of dimensions (0-255) of an array type. This value is optional for a non-array type or for a mono-dimensional array. For a multi-dimensional array, the <b>VM_TYPE_MULTI</b> flag is set in the type value and the dimension value is mandatory to know the exact array type.
	The dimension value gives the number of dimensions (0-255) of an array type. <b>This value is optional for non-array and mono-dimensional array types. This value is not present for a void return type.</b> For a multi-dimensional array, the <b>VM_TYPE_MULTI</b> flag is set in the type value and the dimension value <b>must be present</b> .

<b>ANSI p8</b> <b>note 10,</b> <b>1</b>	The dimension values are as follows: 0 for a non-array type, 1 for a simple array (ex: int a[2]), 2 for a 2 dimensional array (ex: long array[2][8]), ... 255 for a 255 dimensional array.
	The dimension values are as follows: 0 for a non-array type, 1 for a simple array ( <b>e.g.</b> int a[2]), 2 for a 2 dimensional array ( <b>e.g.</b> long array[2][8]), ... 255 for a 255 dimensional array.

## Class Index

<b>ANSI p9</b> <b>note 1</b> <b>IISC</b>	The optional class index gives the exact type of descriptor of a class or of an array of class. For a scalar type or an array of scalar types, the class index is useless.
	The optional class index gives the exact type of descriptor of a class or of an array of <b>a</b> class. For a scalar type or an array of scalar types, <b>the class index must not be present</b> .

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Summary

Here is a list of the possible code:

Type	Type value	Dimension	Class Index
void	0x00	0 or absent	absent
short	0x01	0 or absent	absent
int	0x02	0 or absent	absent
long	0x13	0 or absent	absent
byte	0x04	0 or absent	absent
char	0x05	0 or absent	absent
float	0x06	0 or absent	absent
double	0x17	0 or absent	absent
boolean	0x08	0 or absent	absent
reference	0x0A	0 or absent	index of the class
short[]	0x61	1 or absent	absent
int[]	0x62	1 or absent	absent
long[]	0x63	1 or absent	absent
byte[]	0x64	1 or absent	absent
char[]	0x65	1 or absent	absent
float[]	0x66	1 or absent	absent
double[]	0x67	1 or absent	absent
boolean[]	0x68	1 or absent	absent
reference[]	0x6A	1 or absent	index of the class
short[][]...	0x81	dimension	absent
int[][]...	0x82	dimension	absent
long[][]...	0x83	dimension	absent
byte[][]...	0x84	dimension	absent
char[][]...	0x85	dimension	absent
float[][]...	0x86	dimension	absent
double[][]...	0x87	dimension	absent
boolean[][]...	0x88	dimension	absent
reference[][]...	0x8A	dimension	index of the class

## Examples

\NSI p9 note 2	-
	The examples are not normative. They are just an illustration of the above explanations.



ANSI p8 note 11	A simple instance of "String": type = 0x2A, optional dimension = 0x00, class index = index of "java.lang.String"
	A primitive type descriptor of a "short": type = 0x01, optional dimension = 0x00, no class index
	A simple array of integers (e.g. int[5]): type = 0x62, optional dimension = 0x01, no class index
	A simple array of class "MyClass" (e.g. MyClass[5]) : type = 0x6A, optional dimension = 0x01, class index = index of "MyClass"
	A primitive type descriptor of a "long": type = 0x13, optional dimension = 0x00, no class index
	A 3-dimensional array of long (e.g. long[5][4][]): type = 0xA3, dimension = 0x03, no class index
	A 4-dimensional array of class "MyClass" (e.g. MyClass[5][4][][]): type = 0xAA, dimension = 0x04, class index = index of "MyClass"
	A "void" return type (for a method): type = 0x00, no dimension, no class index
	A simple instance of the class mypackage.MyClass: type = 0x2A, optional dimension = 0x00, class index = index of mypackage.MyClass
	A primitive type descriptor of a short: type = 0x01, optional dimension = 0x00, no class index
	A simple array of integers (e.g. int[5]): type = 0x62, optional dimension = 0x01, no class index
	A simple array of class mypackage.MyClass (e.g. MyClass[5]) : type = 0x6A, optional dimension = 0x01, class index = index of mypackage.MyClass
	A primitive type descriptor of a long: type = 0x13, optional dimension = 0x00, no class index
	A 3-dimensional array of long (e.g. long[5][4][]): type = 0xA3, dimension = 0x03, no class index
	A 4-dimensional array of class mypackage.MyClass (e.g. MyClass[5][4][][]): type = 0xAA, dimension = 0x04, class index = index of mypackage.MyClass
	A void return type (for a method): type = 0x00, no dimension, no class index

### 2.3.3 Offsets

There are two types of offset values used in the specification: **VMOFFSET** and **VMDOFFSET**.

ANSI p9 ote 4 ISC	A <b>VMOFFSET</b> is an unsigned 16-bit value. This value is an offset in bytes from the beginning of a class file header. Depending of where the offset value is located, the corresponding class file header is unambiguous.
	A <b>VMOFFSET</b> is an unsigned 16-bit value located in a class area section (See 3.3.2). This value is an offset in bytes from the beginning of the class header of the class area section.

A **VMDOFFSET** is an unsigned 32-bit value. This value is an offset in bytes from the beginning of the file header.

ANSI p7 ote 2 ANSI p9 ote 5, ;	<b>2.3.4 Index Values</b> See the File Structure.
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## 3 File Structure

This chapter gives the complete structure of the JEFF file format.

### 3.1 Definitions

This part describes the definitions and rules used in the specification.

### 3.1.1 Fully Qualified Names

<div>ANSI p10</div> <div>note 1</div> <div>IISC</div> <div>IS</div> <div>Comments</div> <div>on Unicode</div>	Fully qualified name have the following definition:
	Fully qualified <b>names are string with</b> the following definition:

<div>IISC</div> <div>IS</div> <div>Comments</div> <div>on Unicode</div>	<div>?? The fully qualified name of a named package that is not a sub-package of a named package is its simple name.</div> <div>?? The fully qualified name of a named package that is a sub-package of another named package consists of the fully qualified name of the containing package followed by the Unicode character 0x002E followed by the simple (member) name of the sub-package.</div> <div>?? The fully qualified name of a class or interface that is declared in an unnamed package is the simple name of the class or interface.</div> <div>?? The fully qualified name of a class or interface that is declared in a named package consists of the fully qualified name of the package followed by the Unicode character 0x002E followed by the simple name of the class or interface.</div>
	<div>?? The fully qualified name of a named package that is not a sub-package of a named package is its simple name.</div> <div>?? The fully qualified name of a named package that is a sub-package of another named package consists of the fully qualified name of the containing package followed by the character "U+ 002E, FULL STOP" followed by the simple (member) name of the sub-package.</div> <div>?? The fully qualified name of a class or interface that is declared in an unnamed package is the simple name of the class or interface.</div> <div>?? The fully qualified name of a class or interface that is declared in a named package consists of the fully qualified name of the package followed by the character "U+ 002E, FULL STOP" followed by the simple name of the class or interface.</div>

<div>ANSI</div> <div>p10</div> <div>note 2</div> <div>IISC</div>	<b>3.1.2 Symbolic Names</b>
	<div>The file specification refers to symbolic names for the classes, the packages, the fields and the methods. They are defined as follow:</div> <div><div><del>3.1.2 Symbolic Names</del></div><div><del>The file specification refers to symbolic names for classes, packages, fields and methods. They are defined as follow:</del></div></div>

## Class Symbolic Name

A class symbolic name is the fully qualified name of the class (package and class names, e.g. "*java/lang/String*"). If a class has no package, the class symbolic name is the class name.

## Package Symbolic Name

A package symbolic name is the fully qualified name of the package (e.g. "*java/lang*").

## Field Symbolic Name

A field symbolic name is the concatenation of the field name, a space character (Unicode 0x0020) and the field descriptor string.

e.g. for the field **double m\_Field[]**, the symbolic name is "*m\_Field [D*".

## Method Symbolic Name

A method symbolic name is the concatenation of the method name, a space character (Unicode 0x0020) and the method descriptor string.

e.g. for the method **void append(String)**, the symbolic name is "*append (Ljava/lang/String;)V*".

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### 3.1.4 Fields and Methods

IISC	The field indexes are built as follows: The symbolic name of the internal class fields and the symbolic name of the external class fields are ordered in a table following the crescent lexicographic order. The redundancies are eliminated. All the symbolic names representing the internal class fields are stored at the beginning of the table.
	<b>Field Symbolic Name</b> A field symbolic name is the concatenation of the field name, a character "U+ 0020, SPACE" and the field descriptor string.
	<b>Method Symbolic Name</b> A method symbolic name is the concatenation of the method name, a character "U+ 0020, SPACE" and the method descriptor string.
	<b>Algorithm</b> The field indexes are computed as follows: Let n be the number of different symbolic names associated to the internal class fields 1 - The symbolic names of the internal class fields are indexed according to their crescent lexicographic order, with index increment of 1, indexes ranging from zero up to n-1. 2 – The symbolic names of the external class fields that are not also symbolic names of internal class fields are indexed according to their crescent lexicographic order, with index increment of 1, starting at n.

Each entry in the table is identified by a zero-based index (a **VMFINDEX** value).

By definition of the field symbolic name and the construction of the table, the following properties are deducted:

- ?? Two different field indexes identify two different symbolic names.
- ?? Two different fields, internal or external, share the same index if and only if they have the same name and the same descriptor.

The same construction is used to define the method indexes (**VMMINDEX**).

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- ?? Two different method indexes identify two different symbolic names.
- ?? Two different methods, internal or external, share the same index if and only if they have the same name and the same descriptor.

The field index and the method index assignments are local to the file.

### 3.1.5 Field Position

ANSI J11 note 5, ;	JEFF includes some information about the position of the field in memory. These pre-computed values are useful to speedup the download of classes and to have a quick access to the fields at runtime.
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The computation must take into account the following constraints:

- ?? Class fields and instance fields are stored in separate memory spaces.
- ?? The field data must be aligned in memory according to their sizes.
- ?? Most of the virtual machines store the field values contiguously for each class.

JISC	?? When a class A inherits from a class B, the way the instance fields of an instance of A are stored depends of the virtual machine. Some virtual machines store the fields of A first and then the fields of B, others use the opposite order and other stores them in non-contiguous memory areas.
	?? When a class A inherits from a class B, the way the instance fields of an instance of A are stored depends on the virtual machine. Some virtual machines store the fields of A first and then the fields of B, others use the opposite order and other stores them in non-contiguous memory areas.

- ?? The binary compatibility requirement (see Overview) implies that the values computed for a class are independent of the values computed for its super classes, whether or not they are included in the same file.

The consequences of these constraints are the following:

- ?? The pre-computed values are redundant with the field information. They are only included to speedup the virtual machine.
- ?? Some virtual machines may not use these values.
- ?? The values are computed independently for each class.

ANSI J12 note 1	The same construction process is applied separately for the class fields and the instance fields. The super class fields and the sub-class fields are not taken into account.
	The same construction process is applied separately for the class fields and the instance fields. The fields of the super-class and the field of the sub-classes are not taken into account.



<b>ANSI</b> <b>12</b> <b>note 2</b>	?? The fields are classed in an ordered list. The order used follows the size of each field. The longer fields are stored first (type long or double), the smaller fields are stored at the end of the list (type byte). The order used between fields of the same size is undefined. This ordering allows keeping the alignment between the data.
	?? <b>The fields are ordered in a list.</b> The order used follows the size of each field. The longer fields are stored first (type long or double), the smaller fields are stored at the end of the list (type byte). The order used between fields of the same size is undefined. This ordering allows keeping the alignment between the data.

?? The position of a given field is the position of the preceding field in the list plus the size of the preceding field. The first field position is zero.

?? The total size of the field area is the sum of the size of each field in the list.

## 3.2 Conventions

The following conventions are use in this chapter.

### 3.2.1 Notations

<b>ANSI</b> <b>12</b> <b>note 3</b> <b>IISC</b> <b>minor 2</b>	The format is presented using pseudo-structures written in a C-like structure notation. Like the fields of a C structure, successive items are stored sequentially, with padding and alignment.
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	This document contains notations to represent lists and arrays of elements. An array or a list is the representation of a set of several consecutive structures. In an array, the structures are identical with a fix size and there are no padding bytes between them. In a list, the structures may be of variable length and some padding bytes may be added between them. When a list is used, the comments precise the length of each structure and the presence of padding bytes.

### 3.2.2 Byte Order

<b>ANSI</b> <b>12</b> <b>note 4</b>	All the values are stored using the byte order defined by a set of flags specified in the file header. Floating-point numbers and integer values are treated separately.
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### 3.2.3 Alignment and Padding

ANSI 13 note 1, 2, 3, 4	If a platform requires the alignment of the multi-byte values in memory, JEFF allows an efficient access to all its data without byte-by-byte reading.
	When a JEFF file is stored on the platform, the first byte of the file header <u>must always</u> be aligned in memory on a 8-byte boundary.
	If a platform requires <del>the</del> alignment of the multi-byte values in memory, JEFF allows <del>an</del> efficient access to all its data without <b>requiring</b> byte-by-byte reading.
	When a JEFF file is stored on the platform, the first byte of the file header <u>must always</u> be aligned in memory on <b>an</b> 8-byte boundary.

All the items constituting the file are aligned in memory. The following table gives the memory alignment:

SIS 1 IISC	<b>Elements</b>	<b>Element size, in bytes</b>	<b>Alignment on memory boundaries of</b>
	TU1, TS1, JBYTE, VMTYPE	1	1 byte
	TU2, TS2, JSHORT, JCHAR, VMACCESS, VMNCELL, VMOFFSET, VMCINDEX	2	2 bytes
	TU4, TS4, JINT, JFLOAT, VMDOFFSET, VMMINDEX, VMFINDEX	4	4 bytes
	JLONG, JDOUBLE	8	8 bytes
	<b>Elements</b>	<b>Element size, in bytes</b>	<b>Alignment on memory boundaries of</b>
	TU1, TS1, JBYTE, VMTYPE	1	1 byte
	TU2, TS2, JSHORT, <b>JCHAR</b> , VMACCESS, VMNCELL, VMOFFSET, VMCINDEX, <b>VMPINDEX</b>	2	2 bytes
	TU4, TS4, JINT, JFLOAT, VMDOFFSET, VMMINDEX, VMFINDEX	4	4 bytes
	JLONG, JDOUBLE	8	8 bytes

When aligning data, some extra bytes may be needed for padding. These bytes must be set to null.

Structures are always aligned following the alignment of their first element.

Example:

```

VMStructure {
    VMOFFSET ofAnOffset;
    TU1      <0-2 byte pad>
    TU4      nAnyValue;
}

```

The structure is aligned on a 2-byte boundary because **VMOFFSET** is a 2-byte type. The field **nAnyValue** is aligned on a 4-byte boundary. A padding of 2 bytes may be inserted between **ofAnOffset** and **nAnyValue**.

ANSI 13 note 5	<b>3.3 The File Structure</b>
	<b>3.3 Definition of the File Structures</b>

All the structures defined in this specification are stored in the JEFF file one after the other without overlapping and without any intermediate data other than padding bytes required for alignment. Every unspecified data may be stored in an optional attribute as defined in the Attribute Section.

ANSI 13 note 6	The file structure is composed of six <u>ordered</u> sections.
	The file structure is composed of six sections ordered as follows:

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Section	Description
File Header	File identification and directory
Class Section	List of class areas
Optional Attributes Section	List of the optional attributes
Symbolic Data Section	The symbolic information used by the classes
Constant Data Pool	Set of common constant data
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### File Header

<b>ANSI</b> <b>14</b> <b>Note 1</b>	The file header contains the information used to identify the file and a directory to access to the other sections content.
	The file header contains the information used to identify the file and a directory to access to the other <b>sections' contents</b> .

### Class Section

<b>ANSI</b> <b>14</b> <b>Note 2</b>	The class section describes the content of each class (inheritance, fields, methods and code).
	The class section describes the content and the properties of each class.

<b>ISC</b>	<b>Optional Attributes Section</b> This optional section contains the optional attributes for the file, the classes, the methods and the fields.
	<b>Optional Attributes Section</b> This optional section contains the <b>optional</b> attributes for the file, the classes, the methods and the fields.

### Symbolic Data Section

<b>ANSI</b> <b>14</b> <b>Note 3</b>	In this area are stored all the symbolic information used to identify the classes, the methods and the fields.
	<b>This section contains</b> the symbolic information used to identify the classes, the methods and the fields.

### Constant Data Pool

The constant strings and the descriptors used by the Optional Attribute Section and the Symbolic Data Section are stored in this structure.

### Digital Signature

This part contains the digital signature of the complete file.

## 3.3.1 File Header

The file header is always located at the beginning of the file. In the file structure, some sections have a variable length. The file header contains a directory providing a quick access to these sections.

```

VMFileHeader {
    TU1      nMagicWord1;
    TU1      nMagicWord2;
    TU1      nMagicWord3;
    TU1      nMagicWord4;
    TU1      nFormatVersionMajor;
    TU1      nFormatVersionMinor;
    TU1      nByteOrder;
    TU1      nOptions;
    TU4      nFileLength;
    TU2      nFileVersion;
    TU2      nTotalPackageCount;
    TU2      nInternalClassCount;
    TU2      nTotalClassCount;
    TU4      nTotalFieldCount;
    TU4      nTotalMethodCount;
    VMDOFFSET dofAttributeSection;
    VMDOFFSET dofSymbolicData;
    VMDOFFSET dofConstantDataPool;
    VMDOFFSET dofFileSignature;
    VMDOFFSET dofClassHeader[nInternalClassCount];
}

```

The items of the **VMFileHeader** structure are as follows:

#### **nMagicWord1, nMagicWord2, nMagicWord3, nMagicWord4**

<b>ANSI</b> <b>14</b> <b>note 4</b>	The format magic word is <b>nMagicWord1</b> = 0x4A, <b>nMagicWord2</b> = 0x45, <b>nMagicWord3</b> = 0x46 and <b>nMagicWord4</b> = 0x46 ("JEFF" in Ascii).
	The format magic word is <b>nMagicWord1</b> = 0x4A, <b>nMagicWord2</b> = 0x45, <b>nMagicWord3</b> = 0x46 and <b>nMagicWord4</b> = 0x46 ("JEFF" in <b>ASCII</b> ).

#### **nFormatVersionMajor, nFormatVersionMinor,**

Version number of the file format. For this version (1.0), the values are **nFormatVersionMajor** = 0x01 for the major version number and **nFormatVersionMinor** = 0x00 for the minor version number.

#### **nByteOrder**

<b>IISC</b>	This 8-bit vector gives the byte order used by all the values stored in the file, except the magic number. The following set of flags gives the byte order of integer values and the floating-point values separately. In the definitions, the term "integer value" designs all the two-, four- and eight-bytes long values, except the <b>JFLOAT</b> and <b>JDOUBLE</b> values.
	This 8-bit vector gives the byte order used by all the values stored in the file, except the magic number. The following set of flags gives the byte order of integer values and the floating-point values separately. In the definitions, the term "integer value" <b>defines</b> all the two-, four- and <b>eight-bytes</b> long values, except the <b>JFLOAT</b> and <b>JDOUBLE</b> values.

#### **VM\_ORDER\_INT\_BIG**

0x01 If this flag is set, integer values are stored using the big-endian convention. Otherwise, they are stored

<b>VM_ORDER_INT_64_INV</b>	0x02	using the little-endian convention. If this flag is set, the two 32-bit parts of the 64-bit integer values are inverted.
<b>VM_ORDER_FLOAT_BIG</b>	0x04	If this flag is set, <b>JFLOAT</b> and <b>JDOUBLE</b> values are stored using the big-endian convention. Otherwise, they are stored using the little-endian convention.
<b>VM_ORDER_FLOAT_64_INV</b>	0x08	If this flag is set, the two 32-bit parts of the <b>JDOUBLE</b> values are inverted.

#### nOptions

ANSI 15 note 1	A set of information on the content of the internal classes.
	A set of information describing some properties of the internal classes.

This item is an 8-bit vector with the following flag values:

<b>IS</b> <b>Comments</b> <b>on Unicode</b>	<b>VM_USE_LONG_TYPE</b>	0x01	One of the classes uses the " <b>long</b> " type (in the fields types, the methods signatures, the constant values or the bytecode instructions).
	<b>VM_USE_UNICODE</b>	0x02	This file contains non-ASCII characters (Unicode).
	<b>VM_USE_FLOAT_TYPE</b>	0x04	One of the classes uses the " <b>float</b> " type and/or the " <b>double</b> " type (in the fields types, the methods signatures, the constant values or the bytecode instructions).
	<b>VM_USE_STRICT_FLOAT</b>	0x08	One of the classes contains bytecodes with strict floating-point computation (the " <b>strictfp</b> " keyword is used in the source file).
	<b>VM_USE_NATIVE_METHOD</b>	0x10	One of the classes contains native methods.
	<b>VM_USE_FINALIZER</b>	0x20	One of the classes has an instance finalizer or a class finalizer.
	<b>VM_USE_MONITOR</b>	0x40	One of the classes uses the flag <b>ACC_SYNCHRONIZED</b> or the bytecodes <b>monitorenter</b> or <b>monitorexit</b> in one of its methods.
	<b>VM_USE_LONG_TYPE</b>	0x01	One of the classes uses the " <b>long</b> " type (in the fields types, the methods signatures, the constant values or the bytecode instructions).
	<b>VM_USE_UCS_BMP</b>	0x02	All the characters encoded in the strings of this file are in the "Basic Multilingual Plane" defined in [3], therefore their encoding is in the range U+ 0000 to U+ FFFF included.
	<b>VM_USE_FLOAT_TYPE</b>	0x04	One of the classes uses the " <b>float</b> " type and/or the " <b>double</b> " type (in the fields types, the methods signatures, the constant values or the bytecode instructions).
	<b>VM_USE_STRICT_FLOAT</b>	0x08	One of the classes contains bytecodes with strict floating-point computation (the " <b>strictfp</b> " keyword is used in the source file).
	<b>VM_USE_NATIVE_METHOD</b>	0x10	One of the classes contains native methods.
	<b>VM_USE_FINALIZER</b>	0x20	One of the classes has an instance finalizer or a class finalizer.
	<b>VM_USE_MONITOR</b>	0x40	One of the classes uses the flag <b>ACC_SYNCHRONIZED</b> or the bytecodes <b>monitorenter</b> or <b>monitorexit</b> in one of its methods.

#### nFileLength

Size in bytes of the file (all elements included).

#### nFileVersion

Version number of the file itself. The most significant byte carries the major version number. The less significant byte carries the minor version number. This specification does not define the interpretation of this field by a virtual machine.

**nTotalPackageCount**

The total number of unique packages referenced in the file (for the internal classes and the external classes).

**nInternalClassCount**

The number of classes in the file (internal classes).

**nTotalClassCount**

The total number of the classes referenced in the file (internal classes and external classes).

**nTotalFieldCount**

The total number of field symbolic names used in the file.

**nTotalMethodCount**

The total number of method symbolic names used in the file.

**dofAttributeSection**

Offset of the Optional Attribute Section, a **VMAttributeSection** structure. This field is set to null if no optional attributes are stored in the file.

**dofSymbolicData**

Offset of the symbolic data section, a **VMSymbolicDataSection** structure.

**dofConstantDataPool**

Offset of the constant data pool, a **VMConstantDataPool** structure.

**dofFileSignature**

Offset of the file signature defined in a **VMFileSignature** structure. This value is set to null if the file is not signed.

**dofClassHeader**

Offsets of the **VMClassHeader** structures for all internal classes. The entries of this table follow the class index order and the class areas are stored in the same order.

<b>ANSI</b> <b>16</b> <b>note 1</b>	<b>3.3.2 Class Area</b> For each class included in the file, a class area contains the information specific to the class. Within the class area, the references to other elements are given by 16-bit unsigned offsets ( <b>VMOFFSET</b> ) relative to the beginning of the class header.
	<b>3.3.2 Class Section</b> For each class included in the file, a class area contains the information specific to the class. <b>The Class Section contains these class areas stored consecutively in an ordered list following the crescent order of the corresponding class indexes.</b>

The first element of this area is the class header pointed to from the **dofClassHeader** array in the file header. The other structures in the class area are stored one after the other without overlapping and without any intermediate data other than padding bytes required for alignment.



The ten sections of the class area must be ordered as follows:

Section	Description
Class Header	Class identification and directory
Interface Table	List of the interfaces implemented by the current class
Referenced Class Table	List of the classes referenced by the current class
Internal Field Table	List of the fields of the current class
Internal Method Table	List of the methods of the current class
Referenced Field Table	List of the fields of other classes used by the current class
Referenced Method Table	List of the methods of other classes used by the current class
Bytecode Area List	List of the bytecode areas for the methods of the current class
Exception Table List	List of the exception handler tables for the methods of the current class
Constant Data Section	Set of constant data used by the current class

### 3.3.2.1 Class Header

The class header is always located at the beginning of the class representation. In the class file structure, some sections have a variable length. The directory is used as a redirector to have a quick access to these sections.

<b>IISC</b> <b>Minor 2</b>	<pre> VMClassHeader {     VMOffset ofThisClassIndex;     VMIndex  pidPackage;     VMAccess aAccessFlag;     TU2      nClassData;     VMOffset ofClassConstructor;      VMOffset ofInterfaceTable;     VMOffset ofFieldTable;     VMOffset ofMethodTable;     VMOffset ofReferencedFieldTable;     VMOffset ofReferencedMethodTable;     VMOffset ofReferencedClassTable;     VMOffset ofConstantDataSection;      VMOffset ofSuperClassIndex;     TU2      nInstanceData;     VMOffset ofInstanceConstructor; } </pre>
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For the classes, the class area has the following structure:

```
VMClassHeader {
    VMOFFSET    ofThisClassIndex;
    VMPINDEX    pidPackage;
    VMACCESS    aAccessFlag;
    TU2         nClassData;
    VMOFFSET    ofClassConstructor;

    VMOFFSET    ofInterfaceTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofFieldTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofMethodTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofReferencedFieldTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofReferencedMethodTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofReferencedClassTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofConstantDataSection;

    VMOFFSET    ofSuperClassIndex;
    TU2         nInstanceData;
    VMOFFSET    ofInstanceConstructor;
}
```

For the interfaces, the class area has the following structure:

```
VMClassHeader {
    VMOFFSET    ofThisClassIndex;
    VMPINDEX    pidPackage;
    VMACCESS    aAccessFlag;
    TU2         nClassData;
    VMOFFSET    ofClassConstructor;

    VMOFFSET    ofInterfaceTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofFieldTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofMethodTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofReferencedFieldTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofReferencedMethodTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofReferencedClassTable;
    VMOFFSET    ofConstantDataSection;
}
```

The items of the **VMClassHeader** structure are as follows:

**ofThisClassIndex**

Offset of the current class index, a **VMCINDEX** value stored in the “referenced class table” of the current class.

**pidPackage**

The current class package index.

ISC	<b>aAccessFlag</b>
	Class access flags. The possible values are:
	Class access flags. The possible <a href="#">bit values</a> are:

<b>ACC_PUBLIC</b>	Is public; may be accessed from outside its package.
<b>ACC_FINAL</b>	Is final; no subclasses allowed.
<b>ACC_SUPER</b>	Treat superclass methods specially in invokespecial.
<b>ACC_INTERFACE</b>	Is an interface.
<b>ACC_ABSTRACT</b>	Is abstract; may not be instantiated.

#### **nClassData**

This value is the total size, in bytes, of the class fields. The algorithm used to compute the value is given in 3.1.5 [Field Position](#). The size is null if there is no class field in the class.

#### **ofClassConstructor**

Offset of the class constructor "<clinit>". Offset of the corresponding **VMMethodInfo** structure. Null if there is no class constructor.

#### **ofInterfaceTable**

Offset of the interface table, a **VMInterfaceTable** structure. This value is null if the current class implements no interfaces.

#### **ofFieldTable**

Offset of the internal field table, a **VMFieldInfoTable** structure. This value is null if the current class has no field.

#### **ofMethodTable**

Offset of the internal method table, a **VMMethodInfoTable** structure. This value is null if the current class has no method.

#### **ofReferencedFieldTable**

Offset of the referenced field table, a **VMReferencedFieldTable** structure. This value is null if the bytecode uses no field.

#### **ofReferencedMethodTable**

Offset of the referenced method table, a **VMReferencedMethodTable** structure. This value is null if the bytecode uses no method.

#### **ofReferencedClassTable**

Offset of the referenced class table, a **VMReferencedClassTable** structure.

#### **ofConstantDataSection**

Offset of the constant data section, a **VMConstantDataSection** structure. This value is null if the class does not contain any constants.

#### **ofSuperClassIndex**

Offset of the super class index, a **VMINDEX** value stored in the "referenced class table" of the current class. If the current class is **java.lang.Object**, the offset value is zero. This value is not present for an interface.

**nInstanceData**

This value is the total size, in bytes, of the instance fields. The algorithm used to compute the value is given in 3.1.5 [Field Position](#). The size is null if there is no instance field in the class. This value is not present for an interface

**ofInstanceConstructor**

Offset of the default instance constructor "<init> ()V". Offset of the corresponding **VMMethodInfo** structure. The value is null if there is no default instance constructor. This value is not present for an interface.

**3.3.2.2 Interface Table**

This structure is the list of the interfaces implemented by this class or interface.

```
VMInterfaceTable {
    TU2      nInterfaceCount;
    VMOFFSET ofInterfaceIndex [nInterfaceCount];
}
```

The items of the **VMInterfaceTable** structure are as follows:

**nInterfaceCount**

The number of interfaces implemented.

**ofInterfaceIndex**

Offset of a class index, a **VMCINDEX** value stored in the "referenced class table" of the current class. The corresponding class is a super interface implemented by the current class or interface.

**3.3.2.3 Referenced Class Table**

Every class, internal or external, referenced by the current class is represented in the following table:

```
VMReferencedClassTable {
    TU2 nReferencedClassCount;
    VMCINDEX cidReferencedClass [nReferencedClassCount];
}
```

The current class is also represented in this table.

The items of the **VMReferenceClassTable** structure are as follows:

**nReferencedClassCount**

The number of referenced classes.

**cidReferencedClass**

The class index (**VMCINDEX** value) of a class referenced by the current class.

**3.3.2.4 Internal Field Table**

Every field member of the defined class is described by a field information structure located in a table:

```

VMFieldInfoTable {
    TU2 nFieldCount;
    TU1 <0-2 byte pad>
    {
        VMFINDEX    fidFieldIndex;
        VMOFFSET    ofThisClassIndex;
        VMTYPE      tFieldType;
        TU1         nTypeDimension;
        VMACCESS    aAccessFlag;
        TU2         nFieldDataOffset;
    } VMFieldInfo [nFieldCount];
}

```

The instance fields are always stored first in the table. The class fields follow them. Instance fields and class fields are stored following the crescent order of their index. The items of the **VMFieldInfoTable** structure are as follows:

#### **nFieldCount**

The number of fields in the class.

#### **fidFieldIndex**

The field index.

#### **ofThisClassIndex**

Offset of the current class index, a **VMCINDEX** value stored in the “referenced class table” of the current class.

#### **tFieldType**

The field type. By definition, the field type gives the size of the value stored by the field.

#### **nTypeDimension**

The array dimension associated with the type. This value is always present.

#### **aAccessFlag**

Field access flag. The possible values are:

<b>ACC_PUBLIC</b>	Is public; may be accessed from outside its package.
<b>ACC_PRIVATE</b>	Is private; usable only within the defined class.
<b>ACC_PROTECTED</b>	Is protected; may be accessed within subclasses.
<b>ACC_STATIC</b>	Is static.
<b>ACC_FINAL</b>	Is final; no further overriding or assignment after initialization.
<b>ACC_VOLATILE</b>	Is volatile; cannot be cached.
<b>ACC_TRANSIENT</b>	Is transient; not written or read by a persistent object manager.

#### **nFieldDataOffset**

This value is an offset, in bytes, of the field data in the class field value area or in the instance value area. The algorithm used to compute the value is given in 3.1.5 [Field Position](#). The total size of the instance field data area is given by **nInstanceData**. The total size of the class field data area is given by **nClassData**.

### **3.3.2.5 Internal Method Table**

Every method of the defined class, including the special internal methods, **<init>** or **<clinit>**, is described by a method information structure located in a table:

```

VMMMethodInfoTable {
    TU2 nMethodCount;
    TU1 <0-2 byte pad>
    {
        VMMINDEX    midMethodIndex;
        VMOFFSET    ofThisClassIndex;
        VMNCELL     ncStackArgument;
        VMACCESS    aAccessFlag;
        VMOFFSET    ofCode;
    } VMMMethodInfo [nMethodCount];

    TU4 nNativeReference[];
}

```

The instance methods are always stored first in the table. The class methods follow them. Instance methods and class methods are stored following the crescent order of their index. The items of the **VMMMethodInfoTable** structure are as follows:

#### **nMethodCount**

<b>IISC</b>	The number of method in the class.
	The number of <b>methods</b> in the class.

#### **midMethodIndex**

The method index.

#### **ofThisClassIndex**

Offset of the current class index, a **VMCINDEX** value stored in the “referenced class table” of the current class.

#### **ncStackArgument**

Size of the method arguments in the stack. The size includes the reference to the instance used for calling an instance method. This size does not include the return value of the method. The bytecode interpreter uses **ncStackArgument** to clean the stack after the method return. The size, in cells, is computed during the class translation.

#### **aAccessFlag**

Method access flag. The possible values are:

<b>ACC_PUBLIC</b>	Is public; may be accessed from outside its package.
<b>ACC_PRIVATE</b>	Is private; usable only within the defined class.
<b>ACC_PROTECTED</b>	Is protected; may be accessed within subclasses.
<b>ACC_STATIC</b>	Is static.
<b>ACC_FINAL</b>	Is final; no overriding is allowed.
<b>ACC_SYNCHRONIZED</b>	Is synchronized; wrap use in monitor lock.
<b>ACC_NATIVE</b>	Is native; implemented in a language other than the source language.
<b>ACC_ABSTRACT</b>	Is abstract; no implementation is provided.
<b>ACC_STRICT</b>	The VM is required to perform strict floating-point operations.

#### **ofCode**

JISC	For a non-native non-abstract method, this value is the offset of the bytecode block, a <b>VMBytecodeBlock</b> structure. For an abstract method, the offset value is null. For a native method, the value is the offset of one of the <b>nNativeReference</b> values. Each native method must refer to a separate <b>nNativeReference</b> value.
	For a non-native non-abstract method, this value is the offset of the bytecode block, a <b>VMBytecodeBlock</b> structure. For an abstract method, the offset value is null. For a native method, the value is the offset of one of the <b>nNativeReference</b> values. Each native method must have a different <b>ofCode</b> value.

#### nNativeReference

ANSI 21 note 1	This array of undefined <b>TU4</b> values must contain as many elements as the class has native methods. These values are reserved for future use.
	This array of <b>TU4</b> values contains as many elements as the class has native methods. To each <b>TU4</b> value corresponds one and only one native method of the class. The <b>TU4</b> values are stored following the order of storage of the corresponding <b>VMMethodInfo</b> structure. The <b>TU4</b> values are not specified and reserved for future use.

### 3.3.2.6 Referenced Field Table

The referenced field table describes the internal or external class fields that are not members of the current class but are used by this class. If an instruction refers to such a field, the bytecode gives the offset of the corresponding **VMReferencedField** structure.

```
VMReferencedFieldTable {
    TU2 nFieldCount;
    TU1 <0-2 byte pad>
    {
        VMFINDEX  fidFieldIndex;
        VMOFFSET  ofClassIndex;
        VMATYPE   tFieldType;
        TU1       nTypeDimension;
    } VMReferencedField [nFieldCount];
}
```

The items of the **VMReferencedFieldTable** structure are as follows:

#### nFieldCount

The number of fields in the table.

#### fidFieldIndex

The field index.

#### ofClassIndex

Offset of a class index, a **VMCINDEX** value stored in the “referenced class table” of the current class. This index identifies the class containing the field.



**tFieldType**

The field type. By definition, the field type gives the size of the value stored by the field. This information is used to retrieve in the operand stack the reference of the object instance (for an instance field).

**nTypeDimension**

The array dimension associated with the type. This value is always present.

**3.3.2.7 Referenced Method Table**

The referenced method table describes the internal or external class methods that are not members of the current class but are used by this class. If an instruction refers to such a method, the bytecode gives the offset of the corresponding **VMReferencedMethod** structure.

```
VMReferencedMethodTable {
    TU2 nMethodCount;
    TU1 <0-2 byte pad>
    {
        VMMINDEX midMethodIndex;
        VMOFFSET ofClassIndex;
        VMNCELL ncStackArgument;
    } VMReferencedMethod [nMethodCount];
}
```

The items of the **VMReferencedMethodTable** structure are as follows:

**nMethodCount**

The number of methods in the table.

**midMethodIndex**

The method index.

**ofClassIndex**

Offset of a class index, a **VMCINDEX** value stored in the “referenced class table” of the current class. This index identifies the class containing the method.

**ncStackArgument**

Size of the method arguments in the stack. The size includes the reference to the instance used for calling an instance method. This size does not include the return value of the method. The bytecode interpreter uses **ncStackArgument** to clean the stack after the method return. The size, in cells, is computed during the class translation.

ANSI 23 note 1 ANSI note sup. 1	<h3>3.3.2.8 Bytecode Block Structure</h3> <p>This part is a block of bytecode corresponding to the method body:</p>
	<h3>3.3.2.8 Bytecode Block Structure</h3> <p>This section is a list of consecutive bytecode block structures. To each bytecode block structure corresponds one and only one non-native, non-abstract method of the internal method table of this class area. The bytecode block structures are stored following the order of storage of the corresponding methods in the internal method table.</p> <p>Each bytecode block is represented by the following structure:</p>

```

VMBytecodeBlock {
    VMNCELL    ncMaxStack;
    VMNCELL    ncMaxLocals;
    VMOFFSET   ofExceptionCatchTable;
    TU2        nByteCodeSize;
    TU1        bytecode[nByteCodeSize];
}

```

The items of the **VMBytecodeBlock** structure are as follows:

**ncMaxStack**

ISC	The value of the <b>ncMaxStack</b> item gives the maximum number of cells on the operand stack at any point during execution of this method.
	The value of the <b>ncMaxStack</b> item gives the maximum number of cells on the operand stack at any point during <b>the</b> execution of this method.

**ncMaxLocals**

ISC	The value of the <b>ncMaxLocals</b> item gives the number of local variables used by this method, including the arguments passed to the method on invocation. The index of the first local variable is 0. The greatest local variable index for a one-word value is <b>ncMaxLocals-1</b> . The greatest local variable index for a two-word value is <b>ncMaxLocals-2</b> .
	The value of the <b>ncMaxLocals</b> item gives the number of local variables used by this method, including the arguments passed to the method on invocation. The index of the first local variable is 0. The greatest local variable index for a one- <b>cell</b> value is <b>ncMaxLocals-1</b> . The greatest local variable index for a two- <b>cell</b> value is <b>ncMaxLocals-2</b> .

**ofExceptionCatchTable**

Offset of the caught exception table, a **VMExceptionCatchTable** structure. Null if no exception is caught in this method.

### nByteCodeSize

The size of the bytecode block in bytes. The value of **nByteCodeSize** must be greater than zero; the code array must not be empty.

### bytecode

ANSI 32 note 1	The bytecode area contains the instructions for the method. All branching instructions included in a bytecode area must specify addresses within the same bytecode area. All exception handlers defined for a bytecode area must reference addresses within that bytecode area. The bytecode area may only contain bytecodes defined in this specification, their arguments and padding bytes (if needed for alignment).
	The bytecode area contains the instructions for the method. All branching instructions included in a bytecode area must specify <b>offsets</b> within the same bytecode area. All exception handlers defined for a bytecode area must reference <b>offsets</b> within that bytecode area. The bytecode area may only contain bytecodes defined in this specification, their <b>operands</b> and padding bytes (if needed for alignment).

### Note for the class initializer

Since the initialization values of the static fields are not included in JEFF, a piece of code must be added at the beginning of the class initializer “<clinit>” to perform the initialization of these fields (if needed).

ANSI 24 note 1	<b>3.3.2.9 Caught Exception Table</b> This structure gives the exception handling information for a method.  It describes exception handlers semantically equivalent and in the same order as the <b>exception_table</b> item of the <b>Code_attribute</b> structure defined in the Virtual Machine Specification <a href="#">[1]</a> .
	<b>3.3.2.9 Exception Table List</b>  This section is a list of consecutive exception table structures. To each exception table structure corresponds one and only one method of the internal method table of this class area. Some methods have no corresponding exception table structure. The exception tables are stored following the order of storage of the corresponding methods in the internal method table.  An exception table gives the exception handling information for a method.

```

VMExceptionCatchTable {
    TU2 nCatchCount;
    {
        VMOFFSET ofStartPc;
        VMOFFSET ofEndPc;
        VMOFFSET ofHandlerPc;
        VMOFFSET ofExceptionIndex;
    } VMExceptionCatch [nCatchCount];
}

```

The items of the **VMExceptionCatchTable** structure are as follows:

#### **nCatchCount**

<b>IISC</b>	The value of the <b>nCatchCount</b> item indicates the number of element in the table.
	The value of the <b>nCatchCount</b> item indicates the number of <b>elements</b> in the table.

#### **ofStartPc**

Offset of the first byte of the first bytecode in the range where the exception handler is active.

#### **ofEndPc**

Offset of the first byte following the last byte of the last bytecode in the range where the exception handler is active.

#### **ofHandlerPc**

Offset of the first byte of the first bytecode of the exception handler.

#### **ofExceptionIndex**

Offset of a class index, a **VMCINDEX** value stored in the “referenced class table” of the current class. This index identifies the class of the caught exception. The offset value is null if the exception handler has to be called for any kind of exception.

### 3.3.2.10 Constant Data Section

<b>ANSI &gt;24 note 2</b>	This section contains the constant data values of the class. They are always referred through an offset.
	Single values of type <b>JINT</b> , <b>JLONG</b> , <b>JFLOAT</b> or <b>JDOUBLE</b> can be referred by the bytecodes <b>ildc</b> , <b>lldc</b> , <b>fldc</b> and <b>dldc</b> . The <b>VMConstUtf8</b> structures are referred by the <b>sldc</b> bytecode.
	This section contains the constant data values of the class. They are always referred through <b>offsets</b> .  Single values of type <b>JINT</b> , <b>JLONG</b> , <b>JFLOAT</b> or <b>JDOUBLE</b> can be referred <b>to</b> by the bytecodes <b>ildc</b> , <b>lldc</b> , <b>fldc</b> and <b>dldc</b> . The <b>VMString</b> structures are referred <b>to</b> by the <b>sldc</b> bytecode.

<b>JISC</b> <b>JS</b> <b>Comments</b> <b>on Unicode</b>	The <b>newconstarray</b> bytecode refers contiguous set of values of type <b>JDOUBLE</b> , <b>JLONG</b> , <b>JFLOAT</b> , <b>JINT</b> , <b>JSHORT</b> and <b>JBYTE</b> . This bytecode also uses the Utf8 strings stored in <b>VMConstUtf8</b> structures to create character arrays.
	The <b>newconstarray</b> bytecode refers contiguous set of values of type <b>JDOUBLE</b> , <b>JLONG</b> , <b>JFLOAT</b> , <b>JINT</b> , <b>JSHORT</b> and <b>JBYTE</b> . This bytecode also uses the <b>strings encoded</b> in <b>VMString</b> structures to create character arrays.

```

VMConstantDataSection {
    TU2      nConstFlags;
    TU2      nDoubleNumber;
    TU2      nLongNumber;
    TU2      nFloatNumber;
    TU2      nIntNumber;
    TU2      nShortNumber;
    TU2      nByteNumber;
    TU2      nStringNumber;
    JDOUBLE  nDoubleValue[nDoubleNumber];
    JLONG    nLongValue[nLongNumber];
    JFLOAT   nFloatValue[nFloatNumber];
    JINT     nIntValue[nIntNumber];
    JSHORT   nShortValue[nShortNumber];
    JBYTE    nByteValue[nByteNumber];
    TU1 <0-1 byte pad>
    VMString strConstString[nStringNumber];
}

```

The items of the **VMConstantDataSection** structure are as follows:

#### **nConstFlags**

The **nConstFlags** value is a set of flags giving the content of the section as follows:

<b>VM_CONST_DOUBLE</b>	0x0001	The section contains values of type <b>double</b>
<b>VM_CONST_LONG</b>	0x0002	The section contains values of type <b>long</b>
<b>VM_CONST_FLOAT</b>	0x0004	The section contains values of type <b>float</b>
<b>VM_CONST_INT</b>	0x0008	The section contains values of type <b>int</b>
<b>VM_CONST_SHORT</b>	0x0010	The section contains values of type <b>short</b>
<b>VM_CONST_BYTE</b>	0x0020	The section contains values of type <b>byte</b>
<b>VM_CONST_STRING</b>	0x0040	The section contains constant strings

#### **nDoubleNumber**

The number of **JDOUBLE** values. This non-null value is only present if the **VM\_CONST\_DOUBLE** flag is set in **nConstFlags**.

#### **nLongNumber**

The number of **JLONG** values. This non-null value is only present if the **VM\_CONST\_LONG** flag is set in **nConstFlags**.

#### **nFloatNumber**

The number of **JFLOAT** values. This non-null value is only present if the **VM\_CONST\_FLOAT** flag is set in **nConstFlags**.

**nIntNumber**  
The number of **JINT** values. This non-null value is only present if the **VM\_CONST\_INT** flag is set in **nConstFlags**.

**nShortNumber**  
The number of **JSHORT** values. This non-null value is only present if the **VM\_CONST\_SHORT** flag is set in **nConstFlags**.

**nByteNumber**  
The number of **JBYTE** values. This non-null value is only present if the **VM\_CONST\_BYTE** flag is set in **nConstFlags**.

**nStringNumber**  
The number of **VMString** structures. This non-null value is only present if the **VM\_CONST\_STRING** flag is set in **nConstFlags**.

**nDoubleValue**  
A value of type **double**.

**nLongValue**  
A value of type **long**.

**nFloatValue**  
A value of type **float**.

**nIntValue**  
A value of type **int**.

**nShortValue**  
A value of type **short**.

**nByteValue**  
A value of type **byte**.

**strConstString**  
A constant string value (See the definition of the **VMString** structure).

IISC	<b>nStringValue</b> The string value encoded with the Utf8 format as defined in the Virtual Machine Specification (see [1]).
	<del><b>nStringValue</b> The string value encoded with the Utf8 format as defined in the Virtual Machine Specification (see [1]).</del>

ANSI 26 note 1	<h3>3.3.3 Attribute Section</h3> <p>This optional section contains the optional attributes for the file, the classes, the methods and the fields. The format for the translation of the attributes described in the Virtual Machine Specification (see <a href="#">[1]</a>) will be included in an Annex of the JEFF specification.</p>
	<h3>3.3.3 Attributes Section</h3> <p>This optional section contains the optional attributes for the file, the classes, the methods and the fields. The format of the attributes will be included in an Annex of the JEFF specification.</p>

```

VMAttributeSection {
    VMDOFFSET dofFileAttributeList;
    VMDOFFSET dofClassAttributes[nInternalClassCount];
    TU2      nAttributeTypeCount;
    TU2      nClassAttributeCount;
    VMAttributeType  sAttributeType[nAttributeTypeCount];
    VMClassAttributes sClassAttributes[nClassAttributeCount];
    TU2      nAttributeTableCount;
    VMAttributeTable sAttributeTable[nAttributeTableCount];
}

```

The **nInternalClassCount** value is defined in the file header.

The items of the **VMAttributeSection** structure are as follows:

**dofFileAttributeList**  
This value is the offset of a **VMAttributeTable** structure. This structure defines the attribute list of the file. The offset value is zero if and only if the JEFF file has no file attributes.

**dofClassAttributes**

IISC	The index in this table is the class index. Each entry value is the offset of a <b>VMClassAttributes</b> structure. This structure defines the attributes for the internal class of same index. The offset value is zero if and only if the corresponding class has no attributes.
	The index in this table is the class index. Each entry value is the offset of a <b>VMClassAttributes</b> structure. This structure defines the attributes for the internal class of same index. The offset value <b>is zero</b> if and only if the corresponding class has no attributes.

**nAttributeTypeCount**  
This value is the number of attribute types used in the file.

**nClassAttributeCount**  
This value is the number of **VMClassAttributes** structures used in the file.

**nAttributeTableCount**  
This value is the number of attribute lists (**VMAttributeTable** structures) used in the file.

### 3.3.3.1 Attribute Type

This structure defines an attribute type.

```

VMAttributeType {
    VMDOFFSET  dofTypeName;
    TU2        nTypeFlags;
    TU2        nTypeLength;
}

```

The items of the **VMAttributeType** structure are as follows:

#### dofTypeName

Offset of a **VMString** structure stored in the constant data pool. The string value is the attribute type name.

#### nTypeFlags

This value is a set of flags defining the attribute type. The flag values are the following:

<b>VM_ATTR_INDEXES</b>	0x0001	The attribute contains some index values of type <b>VMPINDEX</b> , <b>VMCINDEX</b> , <b>VMMINDEX</b> or <b>VMFINDEX</b> .
<b>VM_ATTR_VMOFFSETS</b>	0x0002	The attribute contains some values of type <b>VMOFFSET</b> .
<b>VM_ATTR_VMDOFFSETS</b>	0x0004	The attribute contains some values of type <b>VMDOFFSET</b> .
<b>VM_ATTR_BYTE_ORDER</b>	0x0008	The elements stored in <b>nData</b> (See the <b>VMAttributeTable</b> structure) contain byte ordered values.

ANSI note sup. 3	<b>VM_ATTR_CST_LENGTH</b>	0x0010	The length of the attribute is constant and given by the <b>nTypeLength</b> item. This flag can only be used if the length of the attribute structure is not subject to variations caused by the type alignment.
	<b>VM_ATTR_CST_LENGTH</b>	0x0010	The length of the attribute is constant and given by the <b>nTypeLength</b> item. This flag can only be used if the length of the attribute structure is not subject to variations caused by the type alignment and if the length can be encoded with a TU2 variable.

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	The <b>VM_ATTR_BYTE_ORDER</b> flag must be set if the <b>VM_ATTR_INDEXES</b> , <b>VM_ATTR_VMOFFSETS</b> , or <b>VM_ATTR_VMDOFFSETS</b> flags are specified.		

#### nTypeLength

This value is the fixed length of the attribute in bytes, not including the type index (See the **VMAttributeTable** structure). This value is null if the **VM\_ATTR\_CST\_LENGTH** flag is not set in **nTypeFlags**.



### 3.3.3.2 Class Attributes

The attributes used by a class such as the class attributes, the method attribute and the field attributes are defined in this structure.

```
VMClassAttributes {  
    VMDOFFSET  dofClassAttributeList;  
    VMDOFFSET  dofFieldAttributeList[nFieldCount];  
    VMDOFFSET  dofMethodAttributeList[nMethodCount];  
}
```

The items of the **VMClassAttribute** structure are as follows:

#### **dofClassAttributeList**

This value is the offset of a **VMAttributeTable** structure. This structure defines the attribute list of the class.

#### **dofFieldAttributeList**

This item defines the attribute list of a field. The value is the offset of a **VMAttributeTable** structure. The position of the offset in the list is equal to the position of the field in the internal field list of the corresponding class. The value of the offset is null if the field has no attributes. The value of **nFieldCount** is given by the internal field table structure of the corresponding class.

#### **dofMethodAttributeList**

This item defines the attribute list of a method. The value is the offset of a **VMAttributeTable** structure. The position of the offset in the list is equal to the position of the method in the internal method list of the corresponding class. The value of the offset is null if the method has no attributes. The value of **nMethodCount** is given by the internal method table structure of the corresponding class.

### 3.3.3.3 Attribute Table

This structure is used to store each attribute list.

```
VMAttributeTable {  
    TU2  nAttributeCount;  
    {  
        TU2  nAttributeType;  
        TU1  <0-2 byte pad>  
        TU4  nTypeLength;  
        TU1  nData[nTypeLength];  
    } VMAttribute[nAttributeCount]  
}
```

The items of the **VMAttributeTable** structure are as follows:

#### **nAttributeType**

This value is the index of a **VMAttributeType** structure in the attribute type table. The structure defines the type of the attribute.

#### **nTypeLength**

This value is the length, in bytes, of the **nData** array. This value is only present if the **VM\_ATTR\_CST\_LENGTH** flag is not set in **nTypeFlags** item of the **VMAttributeType** structure pointed to by **dofAttributeType**. The value must take in account variations of length due to type alignment in the structure of the attribute.

**nData**

<b>ANSI note sup. 4</b>	The structure presented is a generic structure that all the attributes must follow. The <b>nData</b> byte array stands for the true attribute data.
	The structure presented is a generic structure that all the attributes must follow. The <b>nData</b> byte array stands for the true attribute data. <b>These data must follow all the alignment and padding constraints given in section 3.2.3</b>

### 3.3.4 Symbolic Data Section

This section contains the symbolic information used to identify the elements of the internal and external classes. The reflection feature also uses this section.

```
VMSymbolicDataSection {
    VMPINDEX  pidExtClassPackage[nTotalClassCount-nInternalClassCount];
    TU1       <0-2 byte pad>
    VMDOFFSET dofPackageName[nTotalPackageCount];
    VMDOFFSET dofClassName[nTotalClassCount];

    {
        VMDOFFSET  dofFieldName;
        VMDOFFSET  dofFieldDescriptor;
    } VMFieldSymbolicInfo[nTotalFieldCount]

    {
        VMDOFFSET  dofMethodName;
        VMDOFFSET  dofMethodDescriptor;
    } VMMethodSymbolicInfo[nTotalMethodCount]
}
```

The **nTotalPackageCount**, **nTotalClassCount**, **nInternalClassCount**, **nTotalFieldCount** and **nTotalMethodCount** values are defined in the file header.

The items of the **VMSymbolicDataSection** structure are as follows:

#### **pidExtClassPackage**

This table gives the package of the corresponding external class. If **n** is a zero-based index in this table, the corresponding entry **pidExtClassPackage[n]**, gives the package index for the external class with a class index value of **n + nInternalClassCount**.

#### **dofPackageName**

Offset of a **VMString** structure stored in the constant data pool. The string value is the package fully qualified name. The index used in this table is the package index (a **VMPINDEX** value). If the JEFF file references the “default package”, a package with no name, the corresponding **dofPackageName** value is the offset of a **VMString** structure with a null length.

#### **dofClassName**

ANSI 29 note 1	Offset of a <b>VMConstUtf8</b> structure stored in the constant data pool. The string value is the simple (not fully qualified) class name. The index of an entry in this table is the class index (a <b>VMCINDEX</b> value).
	Offset of a <b>VMString</b> structure stored in the constant data pool. The string value is the simple <del>(not fully qualified)</del> class name. The index of an entry in this table is the class index (a <b>VMCINDEX</b> value).

#### **VMFieldSymbolicInfo**

Table of field symbolic information. The index of an entry in this table is the field index (a **VMFINDEX** value).

#### **dofFieldName**

ANSI 29 note 1	Offset of a <b>VMConstUtf8</b> structure stored in the constant data pool. The string value is the simple (not fully qualified) field name.
	Offset of a <b>VMString</b> structure stored in the constant data pool. The string value is the simple <del>(not fully qualified)</del> field name.

#### **dofFieldDescriptor**

Offset of a **VMDescriptor** structure stored in the constant data pool. The descriptor value gives the field type.

#### **VMMethodSymbolicInfo**

Table of method symbolic information. The index of an entry in this table is the method index (a **VMMINDEX** value).

#### **dofMethodName**

ANSI 29 note 1	The value is an offset of a <b>VMConstUtf8</b> structure stored in the constant data pool representing either one of the special internal method names, either <b>&lt;init&gt;</b> or <b>&lt;clinit&gt;</b> , or a method name, stored as a simple (not fully qualified) name.
	The value is an offset of a <b>VMString</b> structure stored in the constant data pool representing either one of the special internal method names, either <b>&lt;init&gt;</b> or <b>&lt;clinit&gt;</b> , or a method name, stored as a simple <del>(not fully qualified)</del> name.

#### **dofMethodDescriptor**

Offset of a **VMMethodDescriptor** structure stored in the constant data pool. The descriptor gives the type of the method arguments and the type of return value.

### 3.3.5 Constant Data Pool

This structure stores the constant strings and the descriptors used by the Optional Attribute Section and the Symbolic Data Section.

### 3.3.5.1 Constant Data Pool Structure

```
VMConstantDataPool {  
    TU4          nStringCount;  
    TU4          nDescriptorCount;  
    TU4          nMethodDescriptorCount;  
    VMString     strConstantString[nStringCount];  
    VMDescriptor sDescriptor[nDescriptorCount];  
    VMMethodDescriptor sMethodDescriptor[nMethodDescriptorCount];  
}
```

The items of the **VMConstantDataPool** structure are as follows:

#### **nStringCount**

The number of constant strings stored in the structure.

#### **nDescriptorCount**

IISC	The number of individual descriptors stored in the structure. This number does not take in account the descriptors included in the method descriptors.
	The number of individual descriptors stored in the structure. <a href="#">This number does not take the descriptors included in the method descriptors into account.</a>

#### **nMethodDescriptorCount**

The number of method descriptors stored in the structure.

#### **strConstantString**

A constant string value (See the definition of the [VMString](#) structure).

#### **sDescriptor**

A descriptor value as defined below.

#### **sMethodDescriptor**

A method descriptor value as defined below.

### 3.3.5.2 Descriptor

```
VMDescriptor  
{  
    VMType      tDataType;  
    TU1         nDataTypeDimension;  
    TU1         <0-1 byte pad>  
    VMCINDEX    cidDataTypeIndex;  
}
```

The items of the **VMDescriptor** structure are as follows:

#### **tDataType**

The data type. It must be associated to the **nDataTypeDimension** and **cidDataTypeIndex** items to have the full field descriptor.

### nDataTypeDimension

<b>ANSI p8</b> <b>note 7</b>	The array dimension associated with the type. This value is only present if the type is a n-dimensional array, where n >= 2.
	The array dimension associated with the type. This value is only present if the type is <b>an</b> n-dimensional array, where n >= 2.

### cidDataTypeIndex

The class index associated with the data type. This item is present only if the **tDataType** is not a primitive type or an array of primitive types.

### 3.3.5.3 Method Descriptor

```
VMethodDescriptor {  
    TU2 nArgCount;  
    VMDescriptor sArgumentType[nArgCount];  
    VMDescriptor sReturnType;  
}
```

The items of the **VMethodDescriptor** structure are as follows:

### nArgCount

<b>ANSI</b> <b>31</b> <b>note 1</b> <b>ISC</b>	The number of argument. 0 for a method without argument.
	The number of arguments, which for a method without any arguments is zero.

### sArgumentType

The descriptor of an argument type.

### sReturnType

The descriptor of the type returned by the method.

<b>ANSI</b> <b>31</b> <b>note 2</b>	<b>3.3.6 File Signature</b>
	<b>3.3.6 Digital Signature</b>

ANSI 31	The <b>VMFileSignature</b> structure is not defined.
Note 3 IISC	<p>The JEFF specification does not impose any algorithm or any scheme for the signature a JEFF file. The digital signature of the JEFF file is stored in a <b>VMFileSignature</b> structure defined as follows:</p> <pre> VMFileSignature {     TU1  nSignature[]; } </pre> <p>Where the byte array <b>nSignature</b> contains the signature data. The length of the array can be deduced from the position of the <b>VMFileSignature</b> structure and the total size of the JEFF.</p>

# 4 Bytecodes

This chapter describes the instruction set used in JEFF. The operational semantics of the instruction is not provided, as it does not impact the structural description of the JEFF format.

ANSI 32 note 1	An instruction is an opcode followed by its arguments. An opcode itself is coded on one byte. A <n>-bytes instruction is an instruction of which arguments take <n-1> bytes. A one-byte instruction is an instruction without argument. A two-bytes instruction is an instruction with one argument coded on one byte.
	An instruction is an opcode followed by its <b>operands</b> . An opcode itself is coded on one byte. A <n>-bytes instruction is an instruction of which <b>operands</b> take <n-1> bytes. A one-byte instruction is an instruction without <b>operand</b> . A two-bytes instruction is an instruction with one <b>operand</b> coded on one byte.

## 4.1 Principles

ANSI 32 note 2	The section 4.2 describes only the differences between the class file bytecodes and the JEFF bytecodes. The two instruction sets are equivalent in term of functionalities. The main purpose of the bytecode translation is to create an efficient instruction set adapted to the structure of the file.
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### Translation Rules

Several operations are applied to the bytecode:

ANSI 32 note 1	?? The replacement. A bytecode is replaced by another bytecode with the same behavior but using another syntax for its arguments.
	?? The replacement. A bytecode is replaced by another bytecode with the same behavior but using another syntax for its <b>operands</b> .

- ?? The bytecode splitting. A single bytecode with a wide set of functionalities is replaced by several bytecodes implementing a part of the original behavior. The choice of the new bytecode depends on the context.
- ?? The bytecode grouping. A group of bytecodes frequently used is replaced by a new single bytecode performing the same task.

<b>ANSI</b> <b>32</b> <b>note 3,</b> <b>1</b>	If an instruction is not described in section 4.2, its syntax shall be unchanged with respect to the one assigned to the instruction of same opcode value in class file bytecode (the mnemonic of the opcode is then the mnemonic of the original opcode as found in class file bytecode prefixed by "jeff-").
	If an instruction is not described in section 4.2, its syntax shall be unchanged with respect to the one assigned to the instruction of same opcode value in class file bytecode (the mnemonic of the opcode is then the mnemonic of the original opcode as found in class file bytecode prefixed by "jeff_").

The instructions of JEFF bytecode that result from a particular translation are completely defined in section 4.2.

All the instructions not described in section 4.2 are one-byte or two-bytes instructions and are defined in section 4.3.

Section 4.4 provides the complete set of opcodes with their mnemonics used in JEFF bytecode.

## Alignment and Padding

<b>ANSI</b> <b>32</b> <b>note 1</b>	The bytecodes and their arguments follow the rules of alignment and padding defined in 3.2.3 <a href="#">Alignment and Padding</a> .
	The bytecodes and their <b>operands</b> follow the rules of alignment and padding defined in 3.2.3 <a href="#">Alignment and Padding</a> .

## 4.2 Translations

<b>ANSI</b> <b>32</b> <b>note 5</b>	This chapter defines normatively all the instructions of JEFF bytecode that are not exactly the same than those found in the class file format bytecode. This chapter describes also all the translation operations from which these JEFF instructions result, but this description is not necessary for the intrinsic definition of the JEFF instructions and the references to the instruction set of class file format are here provided only for information purpose.
	This chapter defines <b>normatively</b> all the instructions of JEFF bytecode that are not exactly the same than those found in the class file format bytecode. This chapter describes also all the translation operations from which these JEFF instructions result, but this description is not necessary for the intrinsic definition of the JEFF instructions and the references to the instruction set of class file format are here provided only for information purpose.

### 4.2.1 The tableswitch Opcode

If the original structure of class file bytecode contains the following sequence:



```

TU1 tableswitch
TU1 <0-3 byte pad>
TS4 nDefault
TS4 nLowValue
TS4 nHighValue
TS4 nOffset [nHighValue - nLowValue + 1]

```

Where immediately after the padding follow a series of signed 32-bit values: **nDefault**, **nLowValue**, **nHighValue** and then **nHighValue - nLowValue + 1** further signed 32-bit offsets.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

ISC	If the <b>nLowValue</b> and <b>nHighValue</b> values can be converted in 16-bit signed value, the translated structure is:
	If the <b>nLowValue</b> and <b>nHighValue</b> values can be converted in 16-bit signed <i>values</i> , the translated structure is:

```

TU1      jeff_stableswitch
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofDefault
TS2      nLowValue
TS2      nHighValue
VMOFFSET ofJump [nHighValue - nLowValue + 1]

```

Otherwise, the translated structure is:

```

TU1      jeff_tableswitch
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofDefault
TU1      <0-2 byte pad>
TS4      nLowValue
TS4      nHighValue
VMOFFSET ofJump [nHighValue - nLowValue + 1]

```

The **ofDefault** and **ofJump** values are the jump addresses in the current bytecode block (offsets in bytes from the beginning of the class header structure).

## 4.2.2 The lookupswitch Opcode

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```

TU1 lookupswitch
TU1 <0-3 byte pad>
TS4 nDefault
TU4 nPairs
    match-offset pairs...
TS4 nMatch
TS4 nOffset

```

ISC	Where immediately after the padding follow a series of signed 32-bit values: <b>nDefault</b> , <b>nPairs</b> , and then <b>nPairs</b> pairs of signed 32-bit values. Each of the <b>nPairs</b> pairs consists of an <b>int nMatch</b> and a signed 32-bit <b>nOffset</b> .
	Where immediately after the padding follow a signed 32-bit values: <b>nDefault</b> , an unsigned 32-bit values: <b>nPairs</b> , and then <b>nPairs</b> pairs of signed 32-bit values. Each of the <b>nPairs</b> pairs consists of an <b>int nMatch</b> and a signed 32-bit <b>nOffset</b> .

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

If all of the **nMatch** values can be converted in 16-bit signed value, the translated structure is:

```

TU1      jeff_slookupswitch
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofDefault
TU2      nPairs
TS2      nMatch [nPairs]
VMOFFSET ofJump [nPairs]
```

Otherwise, the translated structure is:

```

TU1      jeff_lookupswitch
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofDefault
TU2      nPairs
TU1      <0-2 byte pad>
TS4      nMatch [nPairs]
VMOFFSET ofJump [nPairs]
```

The **ofDefault** and **ofJump** values are the jump addresses in the current bytecode block (offsets in bytes from the beginning of the class header structure).

## 4.2.3 The new Opcode

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```

TU1 new
TU2 nIndex
```

Where the **nIndex** value is an index into the constant pool of the local class. The constant pool entry at this index is a **CONSTANT\_Class**.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```

TU1      jeff_new
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofClassIndex
```

Where the **ofClassIndex** value is the offset of the class index, a **VMCINDEX** value stored in the “referenced class table” of the current class.

<b>ANSI</b> <b>32</b> <b>note 1</b>	<b>4.2.4 Opcodes With Class Arguments</b>
	<b>4.2.4 Opcodes With a Class Operand</b>

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 <opcode>
TU2 nIndex
```

Where **<opcode>** is **anewarray**, **checkcast** or **instanceof**. The **nIndex** value is an index into the constant pool of the local class. The constant pool entry at this index is a **CONSTANT\_Class**.

The translated structure shall be a variable-length instruction:

```
TU1      <jeff_opcode>
VMType   tDescriptor
TU1      nDimension      (optional)
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofClassIndex   (optional)
```

The opcode translation array is:

<b>ANSI</b> <b>35</b> <b>note 1</b>	<b>classfile opcode</b>	<b>jeff opcode</b>
	<b>classfile opcode</b>	<b>JEFF opcode</b>

```
anewarray      jeff_newarray
checkcast      jeff_checkcast
instanceof     jeff_instanceof
```

<b>JISC</b>	<p>The <b>tDescriptor</b> value reflects the <b>CONSTANT_Class</b> information. The descriptor associated with the <b>jeff_newarray</b> bytecode has an array dimension equal to the array dimension of <b>CONSTANT_Class</b> structure plus one. The <b>nDimension</b> value is the array dimension associated with the descriptor. This value is only present if the <b>VM_TYPE_MULTI</b> is set in the <b>tDescriptor</b> value. The <b>ofClassIndex</b> value is only present if <b>tDescriptor</b> describes a class or an array of classes. It's the offset of the class index, a <b>VMCINDEX</b> value stored in the "referenced class table" of the current class.</p>
	<p>The <b>tDescriptor</b> value reflects the <b>CONSTANT_Class</b> information. The descriptor associated with the <b>jeff_newarray</b> bytecode has an array dimension equal to the array dimension of <b>CONSTANT_Class</b> structure plus one. The <b>nDimension</b> value is the array dimension associated with the descriptor. This value is only present if the <b>VM_TYPE_MULTI</b> is set in the <b>tDescriptor</b> value. The <b>ofClassIndex</b> value is only present if <b>tDescriptor</b> describes a class or an array of <a href="#">a class</a>. It's the offset of the class index, a <b>VMCINDEX</b> value stored in the "referenced class table" of the current class.</p>

## 4.2.5 The newarray Opcode

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 newarray
TU1 nType
```

Where the **nType** is a code that indicates the type of array to create.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1      jeff_newarray
VMType tDescriptor
```

The **tDescriptor** value reflects the **nType** information. The **VM\_TYPE\_MONO** flag is always set in this value.

## 4.2.6 The multianewarray Opcode

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 multianewarray
TU2 nIndex
TU1 nDimensions
```

Where the **nIndex** value is an index into the constant pool of the local class. The constant pool entry at this index is a **CONSTANT\_Class**. The **nDimensions** value represents the number of dimensions of the array to be created.

The translated structure shall be a variable-length instruction:

```
TU1      jeff_multianewarray
TU1      nDimensions
VMType tDescriptor
TU1      nArrayDimension
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofClassIndex (optional)
```

JISC	The <b>tDescriptor</b> value reflects the <b>CONSTANT_Class</b> information. The <b>nArrayDimension</b> value is the array dimension associated with the descriptor. This value is only present if the <b>VM_TYPE_MULTI</b> is set in the <b>tDescriptor</b> value. The <b>ofClassIndex</b> value is only present if <b>tDescriptor</b> describes a class or an array of classes. It's the offset of the class index, a <b>VMINDEX</b> value stored in the "referenced class table" of the current class.
	The <b>tDescriptor</b> value reflects the <b>CONSTANT_Class</b> information. The <b>nArrayDimension</b> value is the array dimension associated with the descriptor. This value is only present if the <b>VM_TYPE_MULTI</b> is set in the <b>tDescriptor</b> value. The <b>ofClassIndex</b> value is only present if <b>tDescriptor</b> describes a class or an array of <a href="#">a class</a> . It's the offset of the class index, a <b>VMINDEX</b> value stored in the "referenced class table" of the current class.

### 4.2.7 Field Opcodes

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 <opcode>
TU2 nIndex
```

Where **<opcode>** is **getfield**, **getstatic**, **putfield** or **putstatic**. The **nIndex** value is an index into the constant pool of the local class. The constant pool entry at this index is a **CONSTANT\_Fieldref**.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1      <JEFF opcode>
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofFieldInfo
```

The opcode translation array is:

ANSI 35 note 1	classfile opcode	jeff opcode
	classfile opcode	JEFF opcode

```
getfield      jeff_getfield
getstatic     jeff_getstatic
putfield      jeff_putfield
putstatic     jeff_putstatic
```

If the instruction points to a field of the current class, the **ofFieldInfo** value is the offset of a **VMFieldInfo** structure in the field list of the current class. If the field belongs to another class, the value of **ofFieldInfo** is the offset of a **VMReferencedField** structure in the “referenced field table” of the current class.

### 4.2.8 Method Opcodes

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 <opcode>
TU2 nIndex
```

Where **<opcode>** is **invokespecial**, **invokevirtual**, or **invokestatic**. The **nIndex** value is an index into the constant pool of the local class. The constant pool entry at this index is a **CONSTANT\_Methodref** structure.

or

```
TU1 invokeinterface
TU2 nIndex
TU1 nArgs
TU1 0
```

Where the **nIndex** value is an index into the constant pool of the local class. The constant pool entry at this index is a **CONSTANT\_InterfaceMethodref** structure. The **nArgs** value is the size in words of the method's arguments in the stack.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1      <JEFF opcode>
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofMethodInfo
```

The opcode translation array is:

ANSI 35 note 1	classfile opcode	jeff opcode
	classfile opcode	JEFF opcode

```
invokespecial    jeff_invokespecial
invokevirtual    jeff_invokevirtual
invokestatic     jeff_invokestatic
invokeinterface  jeff_invokeinterface
```

If the instruction points to a method of the current class, the **ofMethodInfo** value is the offset of a **VMMMethodInfo** structure in the method list of the current class. If the method belongs to another class, the value of **ofMethodInfo** is the offset of a **VMReferencedMethod** structure in the “referenced method table” of the current class.

## 4.2.9 The ldc Opcodes

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 ldc
TU1 nIndex
```

or

```
TU1 ldc_w
TU2 nIndex
```

Where the **nIndex** value is an index into the constant pool of the local class. The constant pool entry at this index is a **CONSTANT\_Integer**, a **CONSTANT\_Float**, or a **CONSTANT\_String**.

or

```
TU1 ldc2_w
TU2 nIndex
```

Where the **nIndex** value is an index into the constant pool of the local class. The constant pool entry at this index is a **CONSTANT\_Long**, or a **CONSTANT\_Double**.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1      <JEFF opcode>
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofConstant
```

Where **<JEFF opcode>** depends of the constant type. The **ofConstant** value is the offset of a data value stored in the constant data section. The type of the value depends of the constant type.

ANSI 35 note 1	classfile opcode	jeff opcode	type of the value pointed to by ofConstant
	classfile opcode	JEFF opcode	type of the value pointed to by ofConstant

```
CONSTANT_String    jeff_sldc    VMString
CONSTANT_Integer    jeff_ildc    JINT
CONSTANT_Float      jeff_fldc    JFLOAT
CONSTANT_Long       jeff_lldc    JLONG
CONSTANT_Double     jeff_dldc    JDOUBLE
```

4.2.10 The wide <opcode> Opcodes

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 wide
TU1 <opcode>
TU2 nIndex
```

Where **<opcode>** is **aload, astore, dload, dstore, fload, fstore, iload, istore, lload, lstore,** or **ret**. The **nIndex** value is an index to a local variable in the current frame.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1 <JEFF opcode>
TU1 <0-1 byte pad>
TU2 nIndex
```

JISC	Where the opcode translation array is:
	Where <b>nIndex</b> is <b>unchanged</b> and the opcode translation array is:

ANSI 35 note 1	classfile opcode	jeff opcode
	classfile opcode	JEFF opcode

wide aload	jeff_aload_w
wide astore	jeff_astore_w
wide dload	jeff_dload_w
wide dstore	jeff_dstore_w
wide fload	jeff_fload_w
wide fstore	jeff_fstore_w
wide iload	jeff_ildload_w
wide istore	jeff_istore_w
wide lload	jeff_lload_w
wide lstore	jeff_lstore_w
wide ret	jeff_ret_w

### 4.2.11 The wide iinc Opcode

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 wide
TU1 iinc
TU2 nIndex
TS2 nConstant
```

Where the **nIndex** value is an index to a local variable in the current frame. The **nConstant** value is a signed 16-bit constant.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1 jeff_iinc_w
TU1 <0-1 byte pad>
TU2 nIndex
TS2 nConstant
```

IISC	-
	Where nIndex and nConstant are unchanged.

### 4.2.12 Jump Opcodes

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 <opcode>
TS2 nOffset
```

Where **<opcode>** is **goto**, **if\_acmpeq**, **if\_acmpne**, **if\_icmpeq**, **if\_icmpne**, **if\_icmplt**, **if\_icmpge**, **if\_icmpgt**, **if\_icmple**, **ifne**, **iflt**, **ifge**, **ifgt**, **ifle**, **ifnonnull**, **ifnull** or **jsr**. Execution proceeds at the offset **nOffset** from the address of the opcode of this instruction.



The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1      <JEFF opcode>
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofJump
```

Where the opcode translation array is:

ANSI 35 note 1	classfile opcode	jeff opcode
	classfile opcode	JEFF opcode

goto	jeff_goto
if_acmpeq	jeff_if_acmpeq
if_acmpne	jeff_if_acmpne
if_icmpeq	jeff_if_icmpeq
if_icmpne	jeff_if_icmpne
if_icmplt	jeff_if_icmplt
if_icmpge	jeff_if_icmpge
if_icmpgt	jeff_if_icmpgt
if_icmple	jeff_if_icmple
ifeq	jeff_ifeq
ifne	jeff_ifne
iflt	jeff_iflt
ifge	jeff_ifge
ifgt	jeff_ifgt
ifle	jeff_ifle
ifnonnull	jeff_ifnonnull
ifnull	jeff_ifnull
jsr	jeff_jsr

The **ofJump** value is the address of the jump in the current bytecode block. It's an offset (in bytes) from the beginning of the class header structure.

### 4.2.13 Long Jump Opcodes

If the original instruction in class file format is:

```
TU1 <opcode>
TS4 nOffset
```

Where **<opcode>** is **goto\_w** or **jsr\_w**. Execution proceeds at the offset **nOffset** from the address of the opcode of this instruction.

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1      <JEFF opcode>
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
VMOFFSET ofJump
```

Where the opcode translation array is:

ANSI 35 note 1	classfile opcode	jeff opcode
	classfile opcode	JEFF opcode

```
goto_w      jeff_goto
jsr_w       jeff_jsr
```

The **ofJump** value is the address of the jump in the current bytecode block. It's an offset (in bytes) from the beginning of the class header structure.

## 4.2.14 The sipush Opcode

If the original instruction in class file format is:

JISC	TU1 sipush TU1 nByte1 TU1 nByte2
	TU1 sipush TS1 nByte1 TU1 nByte2

The translated structure shall be the following sequence:

```
TU1 jeff_sipush
TU1 <0-1 byte pad>
TS2 nValue
```

Where **nValue** is a **TS2** with the value **(nByte1 << 8) | nByte2**.

## 4.2.15 The newconstarray Opcode

This bytecode creates a new array with the initial values specified in the constant pool. This instruction replaces a sequence of bytecodes creating an empty array and filling it cell by cell.

```
TU1      jeff_newconstarray
VMATYPE  tArrayType
TU1      <0-1 byte pad>
TU2      nLength
VMOFFSET ofConstData
```

The **tArrayType** is a code that indicates the type of array to create. It must take one of the following values: **char[], byte[], short[], boolean[], int[], long[], float[]** or **double[]**. The **VM\_TYPE\_MONO** and **VM\_TYPE\_REF** flags are always set in this value.

ANSI note sup. 5	The <b>nLength</b> value is the length, in elements, of the new array.
	The <b>nLength</b> value is the length, in elements, of the new array. <b>This value cannot be zero.</b>

IISC	The <b>ofConstData</b> value is the offset of an array of values in the constant data section. The type of the array depends of the <b>tArrayType</b> value.
	The <b>ofConstData</b> value is the offset of an array of values in the constant data section. The type of the array depends <a href="#">on</a> the <b>tArrayType</b> value.

IISC JIS Comments on Unicode	Type of Array	tArrayType Value	Structure pointed to by ofConstData
	short[]	0x61	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JSHORT</b> values.
	int[]	0x62	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JINT</b> values.
	long[]	0x63	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JLONG</b> values.
	byte[]	0x64	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JBYTE</b> values.
	char[]	0x65	An Utf8 string of <b>nLength</b> characters (not prefixed by the length)
	float[]	0x66	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JFLOAT</b> values.
	double[]	0x67	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JDOUBLE</b> values.
	boolean[]	0x68	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JBYTE</b> values. Where a zero value means <b>false</b> and a non-zero value means <b>true</b> .
	Type of Array	tArrayType Value	Structure pointed to by ofConstData
	short[]	0x61	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JSHORT</b> values.
	int[]	0x62	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JINT</b> values.
	long[]	0x63	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JLONG</b> values.
	byte[]	0x64	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JBYTE</b> values.
	char[]	0x65	<a href="#">The first byte of a string of nLength characters encoded in a VMString structure.</a>
	float[]	0x66	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JFLOAT</b> values.
	double[]	0x67	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JDOUBLE</b> values.
	boolean[]	0x68	An array of <b>nLength</b> <b>JBYTE</b> values. Where a zero value means <b>false</b> and a non-zero value means <b>true</b> .

A new mono-dimensional array of **nLength** elements is allocated from the garbage-collected heap. All of the elements of the new array are initialized with the values stored in the constant structure. A reference to this new array object is pushed into the operand stack.

## 4.3 Unchanged Instructions

This section defines all the other instruction of JEFF bytecode not previously described in section 4.2. As already noticed, these instructions are kept unchanged in the translation from class file bytecode. In order for this document to be self-contained, they are defined here.

## 4.3.1 One-Byte Instructions

<b>ANSI 32 note 1</b>	These instructions have no argument. Here is their list (the mnemonic name of the opcode is preceded here by its value):
	These instructions have no <b>operand</b> . Here is their list (the mnemonic name of the opcode is preceded here by its value):

```
(0x00) jeff_nop
(0x01) jeff_aconst_null
(0x02) jeff_iconst_m1
(0x03) jeff_iconst_0
(0x04) jeff_iconst_1
(0x05) jeff_iconst_2
(0x06) jeff_iconst_3
(0x07) jeff_iconst_4
(0x08) jeff_iconst_5
(0x09) jeff_lconst_0
(0x0a) jeff_lconst_1
(0x0b) jeff_fconst_0
(0x0c) jeff_fconst_1
(0x0d) jeff_fconst_2
(0x0e) jeff_dconst_0
(0x0f) jeff_dconst_1
(0x1a) jeff_iload_0
(0x1b) jeff_iload_1
(0x1c) jeff_iload_2
(0x1d) jeff_iload_3
(0x1e) jeff_lload_0
(0x1f) jeff_lload_1
(0x20) jeff_lload_2
(0x21) jeff_lload_3
(0x22) jeff_fload_0
(0x23) jeff_fload_1
(0x24) jeff_fload_2
(0x25) jeff_fload_3
(0x26) jeff_dload_0
(0x27) jeff_dload_1
(0x28) jeff_dload_2
(0x29) jeff_dload_3
(0x2a) jeff_aload_0
(0x2b) jeff_aload_1
(0x2c) jeff_aload_2
(0x2d) jeff_aload_3
(0x2e) jeff_iaload
(0x2f) jeff_laload
(0x30) jeff_faload
(0x31) jeff_daload
(0x32) jeff_aaload
(0x33) jeff_baload
(0x34) jeff_caload
(0x35) jeff_saload
```

(0x3b) jeff\_istore\_0  
(0x3c) jeff\_istore\_1  
(0x3d) jeff\_istore\_2  
(0x3e) jeff\_istore\_3  
(0x3f) jeff\_lstore\_0  
(0x40) jeff\_lstore\_1  
(0x41) jeff\_lstore\_2  
(0x42) jeff\_lstore\_3  
(0x43) jeff\_fstore\_0  
(0x44) jeff\_fstore\_1  
(0x45) jeff\_fstore\_2  
(0x46) jeff\_fstore\_3  
(0x47) jeff\_dstore\_0  
(0x48) jeff\_dstore\_1  
(0x49) jeff\_dstore\_2  
(0x4a) jeff\_dstore\_3  
(0x4b) jeff\_astore\_0  
(0x4c) jeff\_astore\_1  
(0x4d) jeff\_astore\_2  
(0x4e) jeff\_astore\_3  
(0x4f) jeff\_iastore  
(0x50) jeff\_lastore  
(0x51) jeff\_fastore  
(0x52) jeff\_dastore  
(0x53) jeff\_aastore  
(0x54) jeff\_bastore  
(0x55) jeff\_castore  
(0x56) jeff\_sastore  
(0x57) jeff\_pop  
(0x58) jeff\_pop2  
(0x59) jeff\_dup  
(0x5a) jeff\_dup\_x1  
(0x5b) jeff\_dup\_x2  
(0x5c) jeff\_dup2  
(0x5d) jeff\_dup2\_x1  
(0x5e) jeff\_dup2\_x2  
(0x5f) jeff\_swap  
(0x60) jeff\_iadd  
(0x61) jeff\_ladd  
(0x62) jeff\_fadd  
(0x63) jeff\_dadd  
(0x64) jeff\_isub  
(0x65) jeff\_lsub  
(0x66) jeff\_fsub  
(0x67) jeff\_dsub  
(0x68) jeff\_imul  
(0x69) jeff\_lmul  
(0x6a) jeff\_fmul  
(0x6b) jeff\_dmul  
(0x6c) jeff\_idiv  
(0x6d) jeff\_ldiv  
(0x6e) jeff\_fdiv  
(0x6f) jeff\_ddiv  
(0x70) jeff\_irem

```

(0x71) jeff_lrem
(0x72) jeff_frem
(0x73) jeff_drem
(0x74) jeff_ineg
(0x75) jeff_lneg
(0x76) jeff_fneg
(0x77) jeff_dneg
(0x78) jeff_ishl
(0x79) jeff_lshl
(0x7a) jeff_ishr
(0x7b) jeff_lshr
(0x7c) jeff_iushr
(0x7d) jeff_lushr
(0x7e) jeff_iand
(0x7f) jeff_land
(0x80) jeff_ior
(0x81) jeff_lor
(0x82) jeff_ixor
(0x83) jeff_lxor
(0x85) jeff_i2l
(0x86) jeff_i2f
(0x87) jeff_i2d
(0x88) jeff_l2i
(0x89) jeff_l2f
(0x8a) jeff_l2d
(0x8b) jeff_f2i
(0x8c) jeff_f2l
(0x8d) jeff_f2d
(0x8e) jeff_d2i
(0x8f) jeff_d2l
(0x90) jeff_d2f
(0x91) jeff_i2b
(0x92) jeff_i2c
(0x93) jeff_i2s
(0x94) jeff_lcmp
(0x95) jeff_fcml
(0x96) jeff_fcmlpg
(0x97) jeff_dcml
(0x98) jeff_dcmlpg

```

ANSI note sup. 6	(0xa9) jeff_ret
	<del>(0xa9) jeff_ret</del>

```

(0xac) jeff_ireturn
(0xad) jeff_lreturn
(0xae) jeff_freturn
(0xaf) jeff_dreturn
(0xb0) jeff_areturn
(0xb1) jeff_return
(0xbe) jeff_arraylength
(0xbf) jeff_athrow
(0xc2) jeff_monitorenter

```

```
(0xc3) jeff_monitorexit
(0xca) jeff_breakpoint
```

## 4.3.2 Two-bytes Instructions

<b>ANSI</b> <b>32</b> <b>note 1</b>	These instructions have a one byte argument. Here is their list (the mnemonic name of the opcode is preceded here by its value):
	These instructions have a one byte <b>operand</b> . Here is their list (the mnemonic name of the opcode is preceded here by its value):

```
(0x10) jeff_bipush
(0x15) jeff_ildload
(0x16) jeff_lldload
(0x17) jeff_fldload
(0x18) jeff_dldload
(0x19) jeff_alldload
(0x36) jeff_istore
(0x37) jeff_lldstore
(0x38) jeff_fldstore
(0x39) jeff_dldstore
(0x3a) jeff_alldstore
```

<b>ANSI</b> <b>note</b> <b>sup. 6</b>	-
	(0xa9) jeff_ret

## 4.4 Complete Opcode Mnemonics by Opcode

This section is the list of all the mnemonics values used in JEFF.

```
(0x00) jeff_nop
(0x01) jeff_aconst_null
(0x02) jeff_iconst_m1
(0x03) jeff_iconst_0
(0x04) jeff_iconst_1
(0x05) jeff_iconst_2
(0x06) jeff_iconst_3
(0x07) jeff_iconst_4
(0x08) jeff_iconst_5
(0x09) jeff_lconst_0
(0x0a) jeff_lconst_1
(0x0b) jeff_fconst_0
(0x0c) jeff_fconst_1
(0x0d) jeff_fconst_2
(0x0e) jeff_dconst_0
(0x0f) jeff_dconst_1
(0x10) jeff_bipush
(0x11) jeff_sipush
(0x12) jeff_unused_0x12
(0x13) jeff_unused_0x13
(0x14) jeff_unused_0x14
(0x15) jeff_ildload
(0x16) jeff_lldload
(0x17) jeff_fldload
(0x18) jeff_dldload
(0x19) jeff_alldload
(0x1a) jeff_ildload_0
(0x1b) jeff_ildload_1
(0x1c) jeff_ildload_2
(0x1d) jeff_ildload_3
(0x1e) jeff_lldload_0
(0x1f) jeff_lldload_1
(0x20) jeff_lldload_2
(0x21) jeff_lldload_3
```

(0x22)	jeff_fload_0	(0x58)	jeff_pop2
(0x23)	jeff_fload_1	(0x59)	jeff_dup
(0x24)	jeff_fload_2	(0x5a)	jeff_dup_x1
(0x25)	jeff_fload_3	(0x5b)	jeff_dup_x2
(0x26)	jeff_dload_0	(0x5c)	jeff_dup2
(0x27)	jeff_dload_1	(0x5d)	jeff_dup2_x1
(0x28)	jeff_dload_2	(0x5e)	jeff_dup2_x2
(0x29)	jeff_dload_3	(0x5f)	jeff_swap
(0x2a)	jeff_aload_0	(0x60)	jeff_iadd
(0x2b)	jeff_aload_1	(0x61)	jeff_ladd
(0x2c)	jeff_aload_2	(0x62)	jeff_fadd
(0x2d)	jeff_aload_3	(0x63)	jeff_dadd
(0x2e)	jeff_iaload	(0x64)	jeff_isub
(0x2f)	jeff_laload	(0x65)	jeff_lsub
(0x30)	jeff_faload	(0x66)	jeff_fsub
(0x31)	jeff_daload	(0x67)	jeff_dsub
(0x32)	jeff_aaload	(0x68)	jeff_imul
(0x33)	jeff_baload	(0x69)	jeff_lmul
(0x34)	jeff_caload	(0x6a)	jeff_fmul
(0x35)	jeff_saload	(0x6b)	jeff_dmul
(0x36)	jeff_istore	(0x6c)	jeff_idiv
(0x37)	jeff_lstore	(0x6d)	jeff_ldiv
(0x38)	jeff_fstore	(0x6e)	jeff_fdiv
(0x39)	jeff_dstore	(0x6f)	jeff_ddiv
(0x3a)	jeff_astore	(0x70)	jeff_irem
(0x3b)	jeff_istore_0	(0x71)	jeff_lrem
(0x3c)	jeff_istore_1	(0x72)	jeff_frem
(0x3d)	jeff_istore_2	(0x73)	jeff_drem
(0x3e)	jeff_istore_3	(0x74)	jeff_ineg
(0x3f)	jeff_lstore_0	(0x75)	jeff_lneg
(0x40)	jeff_lstore_1	(0x76)	jeff_fneg
(0x41)	jeff_lstore_2	(0x77)	jeff_dneg
(0x42)	jeff_lstore_3	(0x78)	jeff_ishl
(0x43)	jeff_fstore_0	(0x79)	jeff_lshl
(0x44)	jeff_fstore_1	(0x7a)	jeff_ishr
(0x45)	jeff_fstore_2	(0x7b)	jeff_lshr
(0x46)	jeff_fstore_3	(0x7c)	jeff_iushr
(0x47)	jeff_dstore_0	(0x7d)	jeff_lushr
(0x48)	jeff_dstore_1	(0x7e)	jeff_iand
(0x49)	jeff_dstore_2	(0x7f)	jeff_land
(0x4a)	jeff_dstore_3	(0x80)	jeff_ior
(0x4b)	jeff_astore_0	(0x81)	jeff_lor
(0x4c)	jeff_astore_1	(0x82)	jeff_ixor
(0x4d)	jeff_astore_2	(0x83)	jeff_lxor
(0x4e)	jeff_astore_3	(0x84)	jeff_iinc
(0x4f)	jeff_iastore	(0x85)	jeff_i2l
(0x50)	jeff_lastore	(0x86)	jeff_i2f
(0x51)	jeff_fastore	(0x87)	jeff_i2d
(0x52)	jeff_dastore	(0x88)	jeff_l2i
(0x53)	jeff_aastore	(0x89)	jeff_l2f
(0x54)	jeff_bastore	(0x8a)	jeff_l2d
(0x55)	jeff_castore	(0x8b)	jeff_f2i
(0x56)	jeff_sastore	(0x8c)	jeff_f2l
(0x57)	jeff_pop	(0x8d)	jeff_f2d



(0x8e) jeff_d2i	(0xb7) jeff_invokespecial
(0x8f) jeff_d2l	(0xb8) jeff_invokestatic
(0x90) jeff_d2f	(0xb9) jeff_invokeinterface
(0x91) jeff_i2b	(0xba) jeff_unused_0xba
(0x92) jeff_i2c	(0xbb) jeff_new
(0x93) jeff_i2s	(0xbc) jeff_newarray
(0x94) jeff_lcmp	(0xbd) jeff_unused_0xbd
(0x95) jeff_fcmpl	(0xbe) jeff_arraylength
(0x96) jeff_fcmpg	(0xbf) jeff_athrow
(0x97) jeff_dcmpl	(0xc0) jeff_checkcast
(0x98) jeff_dcmpg	(0xc1) jeff_instanceof
(0x99) jeff_ifeq	(0xc2) jeff_monitorenter
(0x9a) jeff_ifne	(0xc3) jeff_monitorexit
(0x9b) jeff_iflt	(0xc4) jeff_unused_0xc4
(0x9c) jeff_ifge	(0xc5) jeff_multianewarray
(0x9d) jeff_ifgt	(0xc6) jeff_ifnull
(0x9e) jeff_ifle	(0xc7) jeff_ifnonnull
(0x9f) jeff_if_icmpeq	(0xc8) jeff_unused_0xc8
(0xa0) jeff_if_icmpne	(0xc9) jeff_unused_0xc9
(0xa1) jeff_if_icmplt	(0xca) jeff_breakpoint
(0xa2) jeff_if_icmpge	(0xcb) jeff_newconstarray
(0xa3) jeff_if_icmpgt	(0xcc) jeff_slookupswitch
(0xa4) jeff_if_icmple	(0xcd) jeff_stableswitch
(0xa5) jeff_if_acmpeq	(0xce) jeff_ret_w
(0xa6) jeff_if_acmpne	(0xcf) jeff_iinc_w
(0xa7) jeff_goto	(0xd0) jeff_sldc
(0xa8) jeff_jsr	(0xd1) jeff_ildc
(0xa9) jeff_ret	(0xd2) jeff_lldc
(0xaa) jeff_tableswitch	(0xd3) jeff_fldc
(0xab) jeff_lookupswitch	(0xd4) jeff_dldc
(0xac) jeff_ireturn	(0xd5) jeff_dload_w
(0xad) jeff_lreturn	(0xd6) jeff_dstore_w
(0xae) jeff_freturn	(0xd7) jeff_fload_w
(0xaf) jeff_dreturn	(0xd8) jeff_fstore_w
(0xb0) jeff_areturn	(0xd9) jeff_ildc
(0xb1) jeff_return	(0xda) jeff_istore_w
(0xb2) jeff_getstatic	(0xdb) jeff_lldc
(0xb3) jeff_putstatic	(0xdc) jeff_lstore_w
(0xb4) jeff_getfield	(0xdd) jeff_aload_w
(0xb5) jeff_putfield	(0xde) jeff_astore_w
(0xb6) jeff_invokevirtual	

# 5 Restrictions

<div>ANSI 47 ote 1, !, 3, 4 ANSI ote sup. 7</div>	<p>The only restriction of JEFF when compared with class file format is the maximum size of a class area. Within a file, the size of a class area cannot exceed 64Kb. A class area is the block of data included between the <b>VMClassHeader</b> structure and the last data specific to the class. The JEFF syntax is very compact and the class area does not include any symbolic information. This means that the corresponding class file can be much bigger than 64Kb.</p> <p>Otherwise, the following boundaries apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>?? The total size of a file cannot exceed 4Gb.</li><li>?? The number of classes stored in a file cannot exceed 65,536.</li><li>?? The number of packages stored in a file cannot exceed 65,536.</li><li>?? The number of fields in a file cannot exceed 4Giga.</li><li>?? The number of methods in a file cannot exceed 4Giga.</li></ul>
	<p>The only restriction of JEFF when compared with class file format is the maximum size of a class area. Within a file, the size of a class area cannot exceed 65536 bytes. A class area is the block of data included between the <b>VMClassHeader</b> structure and the last data specific to the class. The JEFF syntax is very compact and the class area does not include any symbolic information. This means that the corresponding class file can be much bigger than 65536 bytes.</p> <p>Otherwise, the following limits apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>?? The total size of a file cannot exceed <math>2^{32}</math> bytes.</li><li>?? The number of classes stored in a file cannot exceed 65,535.</li><li>?? The number of packages stored in a file cannot exceed 65,534.</li><li>?? The number of fields in a file cannot exceed <math>2^{32} - 1</math>.</li><li>?? The number of methods in a file cannot exceed <math>2^{32} - 1</math>.</li></ul>