# C SCI 316 (Kong): TinyJ Assignment 3

This assignment is to be submitted *no later than* <u>Thursday</u>, <u>May 23</u>. [Even though this submission deadline is after the final exam, there might be questions on the final exam which assume you understand how to write the code that needs to be written to complete this assignment.] See page 5 for the *late* submission deadline.

The assignment is to further develop your TJasn program so it will correctly *execute* the TinyJ virtual machine (VM) instructions that it generates. For each VM instruction, there will be a corresponding file \*instr.java in your TJasn/virtualMachine directory. Every such file has an execute() method. In ADDTOPTRinstr.java, HEAPALLOCinstr.java, NOPORDISCARDVALUEInstr.java, READINTINStr.java, and STOPINStr.java, that method is written for you. In the other 29 \*instr.java files, the body of the execute() method contains a comment of the form /\* ???????? \*/ which you need to replace with code that executes the corresponding VM instruction: Your code must make appropriate changes to the expression evaluation stack [CodeInterpreter.EXPRSTACK[]], data memory [TJ.data[]], and registers [CodeInterpreter.ESP, .PC, .FP, .ASP, etc.], and must produce correct output (if any). See the example at the beginning of the "How to Do the Assignment" section below.

The \*instr.java files may be **Windows** text files: The line-feed character at the end of each line might be preceded by a Ctrl-M (carriage return). If so, and you plan to edit the files using emacs on venus or using vi, vim, or emacs on euclid, then you should first eliminate these Ctrl-Ms. This can be done by entering the following:

On **euclid**: /users/kong300/convert

On **venus**: /home/faculty/ykong/convert

## Some Information About the Implementation of the TinyJ Virtual Machine

In CodeInterpreter.java, the variables **PC**, **IR**, **ESP**, **FP**, and **ASP** (see lines 14 - 18) represent VM registers; the array **EXPRSTACK**[] (line 19) represents the expression evaluation stack.

**PC** contains the code memory address of the <u>next</u> instruction to be fetched for execution. (When that instruction is fetched, it is put into **IR** for execution.)

**ESP** stores a count of the number of items that are currently on the expression evaluation stack—if **ESP** >  $\mathbf{0}$ , then **EXPRSTACK[ESP**-1] is the topmost element of the stack.

**FP** is a pointer to the data memory location at offset 0 in the currently executing method activation's stackframe. (Thus  $\mathbf{FP}+k$  will be a pointer to the location at offset k in that stackframe.)

**ASP** is a pointer to the *first unused* location in the stack-dynamically allocated part of data memory—i.e., **ASP** points to the first location above the currently allocated locations in that part of data memory. (**ASP** must therefore be increased/decreased by *k* when *k* stackframe locations are allocated/deallocated.)

In TJ.java, the arrayList **generatedCode** (line 30) and the array **data**[] (line 26) represent code and data memory, respectively. **TJ.generatedCode.get**(*a*) returns the instruction stored in code memory at address *a*. **TJ.data**[*a*] represents the data memory location whose address is *a*.

The VM's fetch-execute loop is in the **interpretCode()** method of CodeInterpreter.java (line 48); this is called by **start()** (see line 247). Its two most important lines are:

75 IR = TJ.generatedCode.get(oldPC = PC++); and 77 IR.execute(); Line 75 fetches the instruction stored (in code memory) at the address in **PC** and increments **PC**. Line 77 executes the instruction that has just been fetched.

The address of the instruction that is fetched is stored into **oldPC**—so when that instruction is being executed, and immediately afterwards, **oldPC** will contain the address of the instruction. When a debugging stop occurs—see the "How to Debug If You are Stumped" section below—the VM uses the address in **oldPC** to determine which instruction has just been executed. **PC** – 1 will usually be equal to **oldPC**, but will sometimes be different because **PC** may be changed by execution of JUMP, JUMPONFALSE, CALLSTATMETHOD, or RETURN.

### **Installation of DEMO Instruction Classes**

Installation of TinyJ Assignment 2 should have installed the instruction classes from my solution (the "DEMO instruction classes") into your TJsolclasses/TJasn/virtualMachine directory.

Before you work on this assignment, use the following commands to copy these DEMO instruction classes into your TJasn/virtualMachine directory:

Using the following DEMO instruction classes:
PUSHSTATADDR PUSHNUM SAVETOADDR INITSTKFRM LOADFROMADDR PASSPARAM CALLSTATMETHOD ADD
CHANGESIGN WRITEINT WRITELNOP WRITESTRING PUSHLOCADDR EQ JUMPONFALSE JUMP SUB RETURN
(This says that your program is using my DEMO versions of these instruction classes, rather than
your own versions of the classes.) The program will ask:

Want debugging stop or post-execution dump? (y/n)

Respond by typing n and the program will begin to execute the CS316ex9 program. (The output should be the same as the output you get when you compile CS316ex9.java using javac CS316ex9.java and enter java CS316ex9 to execute the generated byte codes.)

## **How to Do the Assignment**

This assignment assumes you have completed Assignment 2. It also assumes you know what each TinyJ VM instruction should do when it is executed—if you have lost the handout pages which explain this, see: http://euclid.cs.qc.cuny.edu/VM-instruction-set-&-hints-for-asn2.pdf

As an example of how to complete an execute() method, consider the execute() method of ADDinstr.java. As Java (unlike C++) is guaranteed to evaluate expressions from left to right, the /\* ???????? \*/ in ADDinstr.java can be replaced with the following statement:

EXPRSTACK[--ESP-1] += EXPRSTACK[ESP];

After making this change, use the command

javac -cp . TJasn/virtualMachine/ADDinstr.java to recompile ADDinstr.java and produce a file ADDinstr.class which will replace the DEMO version of ADDinstr.class you copied into TJasn/virtualMachine. The new version of ADDinstr.class can then be tested by executing a TinyJ program whose virtual machine code uses the ADD instruction. For example, you could enter:

java -cp . TJasn.TJ CS316ex9.java 9.out

When you do this you should find that ADD is no longer on the list of DEMO instruction classes reported by TJasn. TJ! [The javac and java commands above assume that your working directory is your home directory on venus or euclid, and c:\316 java on a PC.]

I suggest you work on the other instruction classes in the following order. First, work on MUL, SUB, DIV, MOD, and CHANGESIGN, which are used by, e.g., CS316ex0.java. Next, work on NOT, AND, OR, EQ, NE, LT, GT, LE, GE, PUSHNUM, WRITELNOP, WRITEINT, WRITESTRING, JUMP, JUMPONFALSE, PUSHSTATADDR, LOADFROMADDR, and SAVETOADDR, which are used by, e.g., CS316ex3.java. Finally, work on PUSHLOCADDR, PASSPARAM, CALLSTATMETHOD, INITSTKFRM, and RETURN, all of which are used by, e.g., CS316ex9.java.

Each time you complete the execute() method of a file xxxxinstr.java, it might well be a good idea to immediately compile that .java file and then (if there are no compilation errors) immediately test your execute() method by using TJasn.TJ to execute a CS316exk.java program whose virtual machine code uses the instruction in question. If TJasn.TJ fails to execute that CS316exk program correctly, then your new execute() method is bugged and you need to fix it. [If you want to work on another instruction's execute() method first, then copy my DEMO version of xxxxinstr.class back from your TJsolclasses/TJasn/virtualMachine directory into your TJasn/virtualMachine directory, so it replaces your bugged version.] If the CS316exk program is executed correctly, save a backup copy of the file that contains your new execute() method—e.g., put the copy on venus if you are working on euclid.

# How to Debug If You are Stumped

Suppose that you have just written the execute() method of LOADFROMADDRinstr.java (and that any other execute() methods you may have written earlier all work). After compiling LOADFROMADDRinstr.java [javac -cp . TJasn/virtualMachine/LOADFROMADDRinstr.java], if your program TJasn.TJ executes some TinyJ input file [say, CS316ex3.java] incorrectly, try the following debugging method:

Run TJasn. TJ on that same input file again, <u>but set the TinyJ virtual machine to stop as</u> soon as it has executed a LOADFROMADDR instruction. Do this as follows:

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java -cp . TJasn.TJ CS316ex3.java 3a.out Want debugging stop or post-execution dump? (y/n) y Enter MINIMUM no. of instructions to execute before debugging stop. (Enter -1 to get a post-excution dump but no debugging stop.): 0 Stop after executing what instruction? (e.g., PUSHNUM) (Enter * to stop after executing just 0 instructions.): LOADFROMADDR
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Next, <u>copy my DEMO version</u> of LOADFROMADDRinstr.class back from your TJsolclasses/TJasn/virtualMachine directory into your TJasn/virtualMachine directory, and then repeat the above with the same debugging stop settings. <u>But this time use a different output file name</u>—3b.out instead of 3a.out, say. After these two runs, the file 3a.out will contain dumps of the contents of the virtual machine's registers and memory locations immediately before and immediately after execution of <u>your</u> version of LOADFROMADDR's execute(), whereas 3b.out will contain the same information for <u>my</u> version of LOADFROMADDR's execute(). Use diff -c or fc/n to compare 3a.out and 3b.out. Their dumps before execution of the LOADFROMADDR instruction should be identical. (If they differ, one of the execute() methods you wrote earlier is bugged!) But the dumps after execution of LOADFROMADDR may well be different, in which case you should be able to see what your version of LOADFROMADDR's execute() did wrong.

In the event that your and my programs' dumps *after* execution of LOADFROMADDR are also identical, make a note of the *total number of instructions executed before execution was* stopped— this number will be shown near the bottom of the "after" dumps. If this number is, say, 27, then repeat the above process, *but this time set the virtual machine to execute* 27+1=28 *instructions*, and to then stop after it executes any LOADFROMADDR instruction:

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Want debugging stop or post-execution dump? (y/n) y Enter MINIMUM no. of instructions to execute before debugging stop. (Enter -1 to get a post-excution dump but no debugging stop.): 28 Stop after executing what instruction? (e.g., PUSHNUM) (Enter * to stop after executing just 28 instructions.): LOADFROMADDR Page 3 of 5
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# **Use of CodeInterpreter.POINTERTAG**

When executing **PUSHSTATADDR** a remember to push the *pointer* corresponding to address a. In other words, remember to push a + POINTERTAG. When executing **LOADFROMADDR** remember that the topmost stack item is a *pointer*: If p is on top of the stack, then the data memory address to load from is p - POINTERTAG. Again, when executing **SAVETOADDR**, remember that the second item on the stack is a *pointer*: If p is the second item on the stack, then the data memory address to write to is p - POINTERTAG. When executing **CALLSTATMETHOD**, **INITSTKFRM**, **PASSPARAM**, and **RETURN**, remember that **ASP** is a pointer and refers to the data memory address **ASP** - POINTERTAG.

When executing **PUSHLOCADDR** *a* remember that **FP** *already contains a pointer*, so you should *not* add POINTERTAG to **FP**+*a*. You also should *not* subtract POINTERTAG from **FP** before storing it during execution of **INITSTKFRM**, and should *not* add POINTERTAG on retrieving **FP** from the stackframe when executing **RETURN**. Similarly, since **FP** and **ASP** both store pointers, do *not* add or subtract POINTERTAG when copying from **ASP** into **FP** or vice versa during execution of **INITSTKFRM** and **RETURN**.

When executing **WRITESTRING** *a b* remember that *a* and *b* are ordinary data memory addresses, not pointers: Do *not* subtract POINTERTAG from *a* and *b*.

POINTERTAG is *not used* with code memory addresses: Never subtract POINTERTAG from **PC**, and never add POINTERTAG to a code memory address.

### **How to Test Your Solution**

When you have correctly completed all the incomplete execute() methods, and recompiled each of the modified \*instr.java files, test your program on the 16 CS316exk.java files. The runtime behavior should always be the same as when the same source file is compiled using javac and the resulting .class file is executed by the Java virtual machine. Also, the dump after execution of, say, 1000 instructions should be the same for your program as for my solution. Recall that you can run my solution as follows:

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java -cp TJsolclasses:. TJasn.TJ CS316exk.java k.sol [on euclid or venus] java -cp TJsolclasses;. TJasn.TJ CS316exk.java k.sol [on a PC]
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### **How to Submit Your Solution**

This assignment is to be submitted *no later than* <u>Thursday, May 23</u>. [Even though this deadline is after the final exam, there might well be questions on the final exam which assume you understand how to write the code that needs to be written to complete this assignment. As usual, if euclid unexpectedly goes down after 6 p.m. on the due date, the deadline will *not* be extended. Try to submit before noon that day, and on an earlier day if possible.]

A correct solution will count 2% towards your grade. You may work with up to two other students; when two or three students work together, *each* student must submit separately.

If you have been working on **euclid**, submit by following just the steps 1, 3, and 4 on the next page; do **not** do step 2! But if you have been working on **venus** or your PC (**NOT** euclid!), do all of 1-4 on the next page. Your working directory should be your home directory on **venus** / euclid and c:\316 java on a PC.

- 1. Remove any incomplete \*instr.java files you have *NOT* successfully completed from the TJasn/virtualMachine directory of *the machine you have been working on*. Then enter the following command on *euclid*:
  - cp TJsolclasses/TJasn/virtualMachine/\*instr.class TJasn/virtualMachine
- 2. If, and <u>only if</u>, you have been working on venus or your PC (<u>NOT euclid</u>!), enter the following command on euclid:

rm TJasn/virtualMachine/\*instr.java

You must not do this if you have been working on euclid! Then logout from euclid.

On the machine you have been working on (venus or your PC), create a jar archive of all the \*instr.java files you have successfully completed, as follows:

jar cvf instrs.jar TJasn/virtualMachine/\*instr.java

This creates a jar archive file instrs.jar on venus or your PC. Use an scp or sftp client to copy instrs.jar from venus or your PC into your home directory on euclid. (If you have forgotten how to do this, see the second paragraph of the "How to Submit Your Solutions" section of the Lisp Assignment 3 handout, but substitute the filename instrs.jar for c:\316lisp\horn-3.lsp when following those instructions.)

Then logon to euclid and extract the archived \*instr.java files as follows:

euclid> jar xvf instrs.jar

- 3. On **euclid**, recompile all the \*instr.java files you have completed, as follows:

  euclid> javac TJasn/virtualMachine/\*instr.java

  If any \*instr.java file cannot be compiled on *euclid*, you will receive no credit for this assignment. (In view of step 1 above, this should not happen.)
- 4. Test your program on **euclid.** (See the section "How to Test Your Solution" above.)

IMPORTANT: Do NOT open any of your submitted \*instr.java files in an editor on euclid after the due date, unless you are resubmitting a corrected version of your solution as a *late* submission.

#### **Late Submission Deadline**

I *expect* **euclid** to stay up after May 23. If **euclid** stays up, then <u>late</u> submissions of this and previous programming assignments (including corrected submissions) will be accepted until <u>noon on Tuesday, May 28</u>. However, this deadline will <u>not</u> be extended if **euclid** goes down at any time after <u>May 23</u>. Note that if **euclid** goes down after the 23<sup>rd</sup> there is a possibility that it might not be brought back up until after noon on the 28<sup>th</sup>, in which case those students who did not submit before **euclid** went down would not be able to submit at all! To avoid the risk of not being able to submit, make any late / corrected submissions no later than **May 23**.