Lab 5: Bytecode executor

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The goal of this lab is to develop a bytecode executor for a stack based virtual machine.

1 Files

Copy the directory /home/TDDA69/Labs/espy/VirtualMachine/ and all of its files to your espy directory. Also copy the file /home/TDDA69/Labs/espy/esvm.py to your espy directory.

2 Instruction set

The instruction set for the bytecode executor is defined in the file *VirtualMa-chine/OpCode.py*. It is composed of 46 instructions, divided in 8 groups:

- stack manipulation
- Environment and objects manipulation
- Control
- Exceptions
- Array and Objects creation
- Binary arithmetic operations
- Binary bolean operations
- Unary operations

Carefully study the file side-by-side with the tests (in /home/TDDA69/Labs/Lab5/Tests/Executor.py)

3 Bytecode executor

In this lab you will be developing the bytecode executor. Before starting, you should have a look at some of the existing class in the VirtualMachine directory.

- VirtualMachine.Code it contains a list of instruction defining a code that can be executed, be it a program or a function
- VirtualMachine.Instruction it defines a single instruction for a Code object, it contains the instruction number and possible arguments

- ullet VirtualMachine.OpCode as mentioned in the previous section, it defines the instruction set
- ullet VirtualMachine.Stack it defines the stack that is use by the virtual machine

The class VirtualMachine.Executor is the class that you should implement in this lab.

4 Run the test

You can run the test suite for the executor with the following command:

tdda69_lab5_tests dir_to_espy