

I-code Working-Notes 2v1

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1. Philosophy

I-code is an intermediate code used to provide an interface between the machine-independent and machine-dependent sections of a compiler.

Most intermediate codes in use today describe the execution of an abstract machine which performs the desired computation. For example, the intermediate code for a statement of the form: $X = Y+Z$ would describe the operations of the abstract machine which would compute the value of $Y+Z$ and assign it to X . Using this sort of code, the machine-dependent section of the compiler then maps the abstract machine onto the real target machine.

I-code uses a fundamentally different model. It describes the execution of an abstract compiler which generates target code to perform the desired computation; it does not describe an abstract machine which will perform that computation. It is vital to understand that it does not describe the function of the program directly but describes it indirectly via the abstract compiler. It is this indirection which gives I-code the power to be machine-independent without sacrificing efficiency in the executable programs which it can be used to generate.

There are two important corollaries of this. Firstly, the structures and operations associated with the abstract compiler need have no counterparts in the object program. For example, the target machine need have no hardware or software stack and neither need it have a true condition code. Secondly the code assumes that the operations it describes will be performed by the abstract compiler in the order specified with no omissions. In particular, the control transfer instructions do not transfer control in the abstract compiler but indicate changes of control flow in the program which is being compiled. This also does not mean that any of the operations need have counterparts in the object program, nor that the order of the generated code corresponds to the order of the I-code.

For example, the Algol-60 statement: $A := \text{if } B \text{ then } C \text{ else } D;$ could not be encoded in the seemingly obvious way:

```
Stack A
Stack B; Test-Boolean; BF 1
Stack C; Forward 2
Label 1
Stack D
Label 2
Assign-Value
```

as this would assign D to C , the last two objects stacked prior to the Assign-Value instruction and leave A on the stack.

Encode instead as:

```
Stack B; Test-Boolean; BF 1
Stack A; Stack C; Assign-Value; Forward 2
Label 1
Stack A; Stack D; Assign-Value
Label 2
```

This is similar to that generated from the code fragment: $\text{if } B \text{ then } A := C \text{ else } A := D;$

N.B. Stack has the same usage as PUSH.

2. Definitions

The ICODE instructions and parameters are stored as encoded data in a binary file using the following definitions.

byte-order	All multi-byte values are specified with the least-significant byte first.
Unsigned	A natural binary number.
Signed	A 2's complement binary number.
	A one-byte unsigned number.
<integer>	A four-byte signed integer number.
<label>	An unsigned 16-bit value used to identify a simple label.
<n>	An unsigned 16-bit number.
<string>	A byte-counted string constant.
<real>	A real constant in a textual encoding.
<tag>	An unsigned 16-bit value used to identify a tag (descriptor).
condition-code	<p>A conceptual flag which is set at run-time by the instructions listed in Appendix 2.</p> <p>This flag need not exist in the target machine but is defined in order to simplify the definitions of certain instructions.</p> <p>The values which this flag may take are: equal, less than, greater than, true, false This setting only remains valid for the duration of the next instruction which must be one of the instructions listed in Appendix 3.</p>
Integer	A general integer value, including subranges of integers.
Labels	<p>I-code distinguishes two sorts of label.</p> <p>1 – Simple Labels: are compiler generated and have the property that they are only jumped to in one direction, that is, all references to an instance of a simple label are either all forward or all backward. All uses of a particular simple label must be in the same block as the definition of that label. Simple labels are encoded as two-byte unsigned integers although code generators may assume that their values are within a fairly small range. (1 .. 50 is common.)</p> <p>This means that the same denotation may be used for many simple labels. For example, the following is valid:</p> <pre> Forward 1 >-----+ ... Label 1 <-----+ ... Forward 1 >-----+ ... Label 1 <-----+ ... Label 1 <-----+ ... Backward 1 >-----+ </pre>

	<p>2. General Labels - have none of the restrictions of simple labels. They are identified by tags and will be defined automatically, if necessary, when they are first used. General labels are referenced by the instructions:</p> <p>Jump <tag> Locate <tag> Def <tag></p>
Real	A floating-point value, either single or double precision.
SOS	The second-top item on the stack.
Stack	<p>A first-in, last-out structure used to imply the operands required by various I-code instructions.</p> <p>The first item which can be removed from the stack is called TOS and the item which can be removed after TOS is called SOS.</p>
Tags	<p>Tags are definitions of objects which are to be manipulated by the compiler. These definitions are created in a nested fashion; all tags defined in a block are deleted when the end of that block is reached.</p> <p>On definition the machine-independent description of the object is converted into the appropriate machine-dependent description of the actual object to be used. Within this document the term 'tag' is used to describe both this descriptor and the unsigned sixteen-bit integer used as an index value to select it from the collection of all tags.</p> <p>Apart from the resolution of forward references to procedures, tags are never altered.</p> <p>When a copy of a tag value is pushed onto the stack the value becomes known as a descriptor. Descriptors may be modified.</p>
tag list	A tag list is an ordered sequence of tag definitions used to describe either the parameters required by a procedure or the fields of a record. Components of a tag list are referred to either explicitly by their position in the list (see SELECT) or implicitly by sequence starting with the first to be specified (see Assign-Parameter).
TOS	The top item on the stack.
list flag	An internal flag which is set during the processing of explicit lists of tag definitions. Its only purpose is to prevent certain nested list structures.

3. Conventions

1. It is assumed that the reader is familiar with the IMP language and its terminology.
2. Whenever a pointer-variable is used in the context of a value the value of the data item pointed to will be used.
3. In general, diagnostic checks are implied rather than explicitly specified.
4. Items on the stack are intended to be 'rules for generating' values or references rather than the values or references themselves. For simplicity the descriptions of instructions will often refer to items as if they contain values or references.
5. By convention tag index values will often be replaced in examples by the identifier which is assumed to have been associated with the tag in question.

For example, given 'DEFINE 57, Fred.....' then 'Stack 57' could be written 'Stack Fred'
PUSH is equivalent to Stack

6. The term 'error' is used to indicate a condition discovered by the code-generator which should terminate the compilation with a suitable error message.

4. ICODE INSTRUCTIONS as ASCII

<i>ASCII Value</i>	<i>ASCII Character</i>	<i>ICODE INSTRUCTION</i>	<i>ICODE PARAMETERS</i>
0..9	<NUL>.. <lt;ht>< td=""> <td>unused</td> <td></td> </lt;ht><>	unused	
10	<LF>	EOF	
11..31	<VT>.. <lt;us>< td=""> <td>unused</td> <td></td> </lt;us><>	unused	
32	<Space>	unused	
33	!	OR	
34	"	COMPARED	
35	#	JNE	Tag
36	\$	DEF	Tag String ',' Tag ',' Tag ',' Tag
37	%	XOR	
38	&	AND	
39	'	PUSHS	String
40	(JLE	Tag
41)	JGE	Tag
42	*	MUL	
43	+	ADD	
44	,	parameter separator	
45	-	SUB	
46	.	CONCAT	
47	/	QUOT	
48..57	0..9	unused	
58	:	LOCATE	Tag
59	;	END	
60	<	JL	Tag
61	=	JE	Tag
62	>	JG	Tag
63	?	COMPARE	
64	@	PUSH	Tag
65	A	INIT	Tag
66	B	BACKWARD	Tag
67	C	COMPAREA	
68	D	PUSHR	Real
69	E	CALL	
70	F	FORWARD	Tag
71	G	ALIAS	String
72	H	BEGIN	
73	I	unused	
74	J	JUMP	Tag
75	K	FALSE	
76	L	LABEL	Tag
77	M	MAP	
78	N	PUSHI	Integer
79	O	LINE	Tag
80	P	PLANT	Byte
81	Q	DIVIDE	
82	R	RETURN	
83	S	ASSVAL	
84	T	TRUE	

85	U	NEGATE	
86	V	RESULT	
87	W	SJUMP	Tag
88	X	IEXP	
89	Y	unused	
90	Z	ASSREF	
91	[LSH	
92	\	NOT	
93]	RSH	
94	^	SETFORMAT	Tag
95	_	SLABEL	Tag
96	`	unused	
97	a	ACCESS	
98	b	BOUNDS	
99	c	ALTNEXT	
100	d	DIM	Tag ',' Tag
101	e	EVENT	Tag
102	f	FOR	Tag
103	g	ALTSTART	
104	h	ALTEND	
105	i	INDEX	
106	j	JAM	
107	k	JZ	Tag
108	l	LANG	Tag
109	m	MONITOR	
110	n	SELECT	Tag
111	o	ON	Tag ',' Tag
112	p	ASSPAR	
113	q	SUBA	
114	r	RESOLVE	Tag
115	s	STOP	
116	t	JNZ	Tag
117	u	ADDA	
118	v	MOD	
119	w	MCODE	String ','
120	x	REXP	
121	y	DIAG	Tag
122	z	CONTROL	Tag
123	{	START	
124		unused	
125	}	FINISH	
126	~	VERSION	Byte Byte
127..255	..	unused	

All other byte values (in the range 0 .. 255) are currently ILLEGAL/UNUSED.

Extra ICODE instructions can be added by using unused ASCII characters with parameters as needed.

5. ICODE GROUPS

5.1. Stack Operations

These ICODE instructions represent operations placed on an operation stack for code generation on the IMP variables.

Instruction:	ADD	'+'	Load Operation(ADDx)
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the sum of values of TOS, SOS. Integer values will be converted into floating-point if one operand is integer and the other is real.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS, SOS are not integer or real. 		
Example:	X = Y+Z	PUSH X PUSH Y PUSH Z ADD ASSVAL	

Instruction:	ADDA	'u'	Load Double(ADDx)
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the sum of values of TOS, SOS.		
Notes:	Used to add two address values/two double real values		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS, SOS are not integer or real. 		
Example:	X = Y+Z	PUSH X PUSH Y PUSH Z ADDA ASSVAL	

Instruction:	AND	'&'	Load Operation(ANDx)
Effect:	TOS, SOS are replaced by the logical and of the values of TOS, SOS.		
Notes:	Used to AND two logical values		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack has less than 2 items. 2. TOS, SOS are not integer values. 		
Example:	X = Y & Z	PUSH X PUSH Y PUSH Z AND ASSVAL	

Instruction:	CONCAT	'.'	Load Operation(CONCx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the string concatenation of their values, SOS.TOS, is stacked.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two values. 2. TOS is not a string value. 3. SOS is not a string value. 		
Example:	S = T.U.V	PUSH S PUSH T PUSH U CONCAT PUSH V CONCAT ASSVAL	

Instruction:	DIVIDE	'Q'	Load Operation(RDIVx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the real quotient, SOS / TOS, is stacked. Integer values will be converted into floating-point before the division is attempted.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real type. 3. SOS is neither integer nor real type. 		
Example:	A = B / C	PUSH A PUSH B PUSH C DIV ASSVAL	

Instruction:	IEXP	'X'	Load Operation(EXPx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS raised to the integer power of the value of TOS, SOS ^{TOS} , is stacked.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	J = K ³	PUSH J PUSH K PUSHI 3 IEXP ASSVAL	

Instruction:	LSH	'['	Load Operation(LSHx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS logically shifted left by the value of TOS, $SOS \ll TOS$, is stacked.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 4. The value of TOS is negative or greater than or equal to the number of bits in an integer. 		
Example:	A = B << C	PUSH A PUSH B PUSH C LSH ASSVAL	

Instruction:	MOD	'v'	Load Operation(ABSx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and are replaced by the value 'SOS MOD TOS' where MOD is as defined in section 6.7.2.2 of the Pascal standard BS 6192:1982.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	m := p MOD q;	PUSH m PUSH p PUSH q MOD ASSVAL	

Instruction:	MUL	'*'	Load Operation(MULx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS multiplied by the value of TOS, $SOS * TOS$, is stacked. Integer values will be converted into floating-point if one operand is integer and the other is real.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real type. 3. SOS is neither integer nor real type. 		
Example:	A = B * C	PUSH A PUSH B PUSH C MUL ASSVAL	

Instruction:	NEGATE	'U'	Load Operation(NEGx)
Effect:	The value in TOS is negated and left as TOS.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not an integer or real value. 		
Example:	A = -B	PUSH A PUSH B NEGATE ASSVAL	

Instruction:	NOT	'\'	Load Operation(NOTx)
Effect:	The value in TOS is logically inverted and left on TOS		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not an integer or real value. 		
Example:			

Instruction:	OR	'!	Load Operation(ORx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS logically ORed with the value of TOS, SOS ! TOS, is stacked.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	A = B ! C	PUSH A PUSH B PUSH C OR ASSVAL	

Instruction:	QUOT	'/'	Load Operation(DIVx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS integer-divided by the value of TOS, SOS // TOS, is stacked.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer. 3. SOS is not an integer. 		
Example:	A = B // C	PUSH A PUSH B PUSH C QUOT ASSVAL	

Instruction:	REXP	'x'	Load Operation(REXPx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS raised to the integer power TOS, SOS^{TOS} , is stacked. The type of this value is real.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. SOS is neither an integer nor a real value. 3. TOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	$R = 12^X$	PUSH R PUSHI 12; PUSH X; REXP; ASSVAL	

Instruction:	RSH	'j'	Load Operation(RSHx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS logically left shifted by the value of TOS, $SOS \gg TOS$, is stacked.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 4. The value of TOS is negative or greater than or equal to the number of bits in an integer. 		
Example:	$A = B \gg C$	PUSH A PUSH B; PUSH C; RSH ASSVAL	

Instruction:	SUB	'-'	Load Operation(SUBx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS minus the value of TOS, $SOS - TOS$, is stacked. Integer values will be converted into floating-point if one operand is integer and the other is real.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real type. 3. SOS is neither integer nor real type. 		
Example:	$A = B - C$	PUSH A PUSH B; PUSH C; SUB ASSVAL	

Instruction:	SUBA	'q'	Load DoubleOp(SUBx)
Effect:	Similar to Sub except generated code is for addresses		
Notes:	Equivalent to --		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real type. 3. SOS is neither integer nor real type. 		
Example:			

Instruction:	XOR	'%'	Load Operation(XORx)
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and the value of SOS exclusively ORed with the value of TOS, SOS !! TOS, is stacked.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	A = B !! C	PUSH A PUSH B; PUSH C; XOR ASSVAL	

5.2. Jumps and Labels

These ICODE instructions are used to control the flow of executable code by the program.

There are two types of labels:

- User specified labels
- Compiler generated labels

Instruction:	FOR <label>	'f'	Compile For(Tag)
Effect:	This instruction marks the start of a FOR statement. <label> is the label to be jumped to on <u>repeat</u> and <label+1> is the label to be jumped to on an <u>exit</u> .		
Notes:	The corresponding <u>repeat</u> will be the next instruction of the form: Backward <label>. <label+1> should only be defined explicitly if the loop contains an explicit <u>exit</u> instruction.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than four items. 2. The top three items on the stack are not integer values. 3. The fourth item on the stack is not a reference to an integer variable. 4. No Backward <label> instruction occurs before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	A(j) = 0 <u>for</u> J = 1, 1, N	PUSH J PUSHI 1 PUSHI 1 PUSH N FOR 40 PUSH A PUSH J ACCESS PUSHI 0 ASSVAL BACKWARD 40	

Instruction:	FORWARD <label>	'F'	Jump Forward(Tag, Always)
Effect:	Control is transferred forward unconditionally to <label>		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <label> does not get defined by a Label instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	<u>if</u> X=0 <u>then</u> Y=1 <u>else</u> Y=2	PUSH X PUSHI 0 COMPARE JNE 20 PUSH Y PUSHI 1 ASSVAL FORWARD 21 LABEL 20 PUSH Y PUSHI 2 ASSVAL LABEL 21	

Instruction:	JE <label>	'='	Jump Forward(Tag, EQ)
Effect:	When execution of the object program reaches this point, control is to be transferred to the given simple label if the condition code is set 'equal', otherwise control is to pass onto the next instruction.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The previous instruction did not set the condition-code. 2. <label> does not get defined by a LABEL instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	IF x <> y THEN p = q;	PUSH x; PUSH y; COMPARE; JE 12 PUSH p; PUSH q; ASSVAL LABEL 12	

Instruction:	JG <label>	'>'	Jump Forward(Tag, GT)
Effect:	When execution of the object program reaches this point, control is to be transferred to the given simple label if the condition code is set 'greater than', otherwise control is to pass onto the next instruction.		
Notes:	<label> must refer to a simple label which must be defined somewhere after the JG instruction, that is JG can only specify a forward jump (the object program may actually use a backward jump instruction).		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The previous instruction did not set the condition-code. 2. <label> does not get defined by a LABEL instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	if X <= Y then P = Q	PUSH X PUSH Y COMPARE JG 12 PUSH P PUSH Q ASSVAL LABEL 12	

Instruction:	JGE <label>	'J'	Jump Forward(Tag, GE)
Effect:	When execution of the object program reaches this point control is to be transferred to the given simple label if the condition code is set 'greater than' or 'equal' , otherwise control is to pass onto the next instruction.		
Notes:	<label> must refer to a simple label which must be defined somewhere after the JGE instruction, that is JGE can only specify a forward jump (the object program may use a backward jump machine instruction).		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The previous instruction did not set the condition-code. 2. <label> does not get defined by a LABEL instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	if X < Y then P = Q	PUSH X PUSH Y COMPARE JGE 12 PUSH P PUSH Q ASSVAL LABEL 12	

Instruction:	JL <label>	'L'	Jump Forward(Tag, LT)
Effect:	When execution of the object program reaches this point control is to be transferred to the given simple label if the condition code is not set 'equal', otherwise control is to pass onto the next instruction.		
Notes:	<label> must refer to a simple label which must be defined somewhere after the BLT instruction, that is BLT can only specify a forward jump (the object program may use a backward jump machine instruction).		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The previous instruction did not set the condition-code. 2. <label> does not get defined by a LABEL instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	if X >= Y then P = Q	PUSH X PUSH Y COMPARE JL 12 PUSH P PUSH Q ASSVAL LABEL 12	

Instruction:	JLE <label>	'('	Jump Forward(Tag, LE)
Effect:	When execution of the object program reaches this point, control is to be transferred to the given simple label if the condition code is set 'less than' or 'equal', otherwise control is to pass onto the next instruction.		
Notes:	<label> must refer to a simple label which must be defined somewhere after the JLE instruction, that is JLE can only specify a forward jump (the object program may use a backward jump machine instruction).		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The previous instruction did not set the condition-code. 2. <label> does not get defined by a LABEL instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	if X > Y then P = Q	PUSH X PUSH Y COMPARE JLE 12 PUSH P PUSH Q ASSVAL LABEL 12	

Instruction:	JNE <label>	'#'	Jump Forward(Tag, NE)
Effect:	When execution of the object program reaches this point control is to be transferred to the given simple label if the condition code is not set 'equal', otherwise control is to pass onto the next instruction.		
Notes:	<label> must refer to a simple label which must be defined somewhere after the JNE instruction, that is JNE can only specify a forward jump (the object program may use a backward jump machine instruction).		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The previous instruction did not set the condition-code. 2. <label> does not get defined by a LABEL instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	if X = Y then P = Q	PUSH X PUSH Y COMPARE JNE 12 PUSH P PUSH Q ASSVAL LABEL 12	

Instruction:	JNZ <label>	't'	JNZ
Effect:	When execution of the object program reaches this point, control is to be transferred to the given simple label if the condition code is set 'true', otherwise control is to pass onto the next instruction.		
Notes:	Branch on TRUE (# 0) <label> must refer to a simple label which must be defined somewhere after the JNZ instruction, that is JNZ can only specify a forward jump (the object program may use a backward jump machine instruction).		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The previous instruction did not set the condition-code. 2. <label> does not get defined by a LABEL instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	if <u>not</u> B <u>then</u> P := Q	PUSH B Test-Boolean JNZ 12 PUSH P PUSH Q ASSVAL LABEL 12	

Instruction:	JUMP <tag>	'J'	User Jump(Tag)
Effect:	Control is transferred unconditionally to the general label <tag>.		
Notes:	Jump to user label This control transfer may pass over block boundaries.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <tag> is defined but is not a general label. 2. <tag> is undefined but does not become defined in a suitable block before the end of the program. A suitable block is one which is either the same block as the Jump instruction or is a block which properly contains that instruction. 		
Example:	X = 1 Pos: Y = Y+1 ->Pos <u>if</u> Y < 0	PUSH X; PUSHI 1; ASSVAL LOCATE Pos PUSH Y; PUSH Y; PUSHI 1; ADD; ASSVAL PUSH Y; PUSHI 0; COMPARE JGE 18 JUMP Pos LABEL 18	

Instruction:	JZ <label>	'k'	Jump Forward(Tag, FF)
Effect:	When execution of the object program reaches this point, control is to be transferred to the given simple label if the condition code is set 'false', otherwise control is to pass onto the next instruction.		
Notes:	Branch on FALSE (= 0) <label> must refer to a simple label which must be defined somewhere after the BF instruction, that is BF can only specify a forward jump (the object program may use a backward jump machine instruction).		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The previous instruction did not set the condition-code. 2. <label> does not get defined by a LABEL instruction before the end of the current block. 		
Example:	<u>if</u> B <u>then</u> P := Q;	PUSH B; Test-Boolean; JZ 12 PUSH P; PUSH Q; ASSVAL LABEL 12	

Instruction:	LABEL <label>	'L'	Define User Label(Tag)
Effect:	The simple label <label> is defined to be here. If outstanding references to the label exist they are satisfied and the label ceases to be defined. This ensures that all references to this label are in the same direction.		
Notes:	Define user label		
Error:			
Example:	S = "***" <u>if</u> S = ""	PUSH S; PUSHS "***"; COMPARE JNE 26 PUSH S; PUSHS ""; ASSVAL LABEL 26	

Instruction:	LOCATE <tag>	':'	Define Compiler Label(Tag)
Effect:	The tag is defined as a general label if necessary and made to reference the current position in the program.		
Notes:	Define compiler label		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <tag> is already defined. 		
Example:	X = 1 Pos: Y = Y+1 ->Pos <u>if</u> Y < 0	PUSH X; PUSHI 1; ASSVAL LOCATE Pos PUSH Y; PUSH Y; PUSHI 1; ADD; ASSVAL PUSH Y; PUSHI 0; COMPARE JGE 18 JUMP Pos LABEL 18	

Instruction:	BACKWARD <label>	'B'	Jump Backward(Tag)
Effect:	Control is to be transferred unconditionally to <label> at run-time.		
Notes:	Backward Jump		
Error:	1. <label> is currently undefined.		
Example:	X=X+1 <u>while</u> A(X) = 0	LABEL 16 PUSH A; PUSH X; ACCESS PUSHI 0; COMPARE; BNE 17 PUSH X; PUSH X; PUSHI 1; ADD; ASSVAL BACKWARD 16 LABEL 17	

Instruction:	SJUMP <tag>	'W'	Switch Jump(Tag)
Effect:	TOS is used to index into the switch vector and control is then transferred to the selected label. TOS is removed from the stack.		
Notes:	Jump to switch		
Error:	1. The stack is empty. 2. <tag> is not a switch.		
Example:	->Sw(J)	Stack J; Switch-Jump Sw	

Instruction:	SLABEL <tag>	'_'	Switch Label(Tag)
Effect:	The label selected from the switch vector is defined to be here. TOS is removed from the stack.		
Notes:	Define switch label		
Error:	1. The stack is empty. 2. <tag> is not a switch in the current block. 3. TOS is not an integer value within the bounds of <tag>.		
Example:	Sw(12):	PUSHI 12; SLABEL Sw	

5.3. Assignment

These ICODE instructions are used to access and store data within the program.

Instruction:	ASSPAR	'p'	Load Assign(-1)
Effect:	TOS is passed as the next parameter to SOS. TOS is removed from the stack leaving SOS as the new TOS.		
Notes:	Parameters must be specified in the order of the definition of the parameter list. If the parameter list is empty the occurrence of this instruction implies that the procedure has a variable number of parameters and so the parameters are to be passed in a C-like manner; this also requires that the procedure be called using the Variable-Call instruction.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. SOS is not a procedure descriptor. 3. TOS is unsuitable for this parameter. 		
Example:	J = Calc(1, K)	PUSH J PUSH Calc PUSHI 1; ASSPAR PUSH K; ASSPAR CALL	

Instruction:	ASSREF	'Z'	Load Assign(0)
Effect:	The pointer variable referenced by SOS is made to point at the variable referenced by TOS. Both TOS and SOS are removed from the stack.		
Notes:	Assign address '=='		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. SOS is not a reference to a pointer variable. 3. TOS is not a reference to a variable. 4. The types of TOS and SOS are different. 		
Example:	P == Q	PUSH P; PUSH Q; ASSREF	

Instruction:	ASSVAL	'S'	Load Assign(1)
Effect:	The value of TOS is assigned to the data item referenced by SOS. Both TOS and SOS are removed from the stack.		
Notes:	Integer values will be converted to real if necessary. Normal value assignment		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 		
Example:	A = B+C	PUSH A PUSH B; PUSH C; ADD ASSVAL	

Instruction:	FALSE	'K'	Load Return(False)
Effect:	The current block returns false.		
Notes:	%false This is usually accomplished by setting the true condition-code appropriately.		
Error:	1. The current block is not a predicate.		
Example:	<u>false if</u> Flag = 0	PUSH Flag; PUSHI 0; COMPARE JNE 42 FALSE LABEL 42	

Instruction:	JAM	'j'	Load Assign(2)
Effect:	The value of TOS is assigned to the data item referenced by SOS. Both TOS and SOS are removed from the stack.		
Notes:	JAM transfer Truncate/Jam the source to fit into the destination Excess byte data will be omitted.		
Error:	1. The stack contains less than two items.		
Example:	! A is a string(15) ! B is a string(31) A = B	PUSH A PUSH B JAM	

Instruction:	MAP	'M'	Load Return(Map)
Effect:	The address of the object referenced by TOS is returned as the result of the map.		
Notes:	MAP result		
Error:	1. The current block is not a map. 2. The stack is empty. 3. TOS is not a reference to a data object.		
Example:	<u>result</u> == X	PUSH X; MAP	

Instruction:	RESULT	'V'	Load Return (Fn)
Effect:	TOS is removed from the stack and returned as the result of the function defined by the current block.		
Notes:	FN result Integer values will be converted to real if necessary.		
Error:	1. The stack is empty. 2. The current block is not a function.		
Example:	<u>result</u> = "Hello"	PUSHS "Hello" RESULT	

Instruction:	RETURN	'R'	Load Return(Routine)
Effect:	A return sequence is generated to return control from the current block.		
Notes:	RETURN		
Error:			
Example:	<u>return if</u> X # 0	PUSH X; PUSHI 0; COMPARE JE 19 RETURN LABEL 19	

Instruction:	TRUE	'T'	Load Return(True)
Effect:	The current block returns true.		
Notes:	%true This is usually accomplished by setting the true condition-code appropriately.		
Error:	1. The current block is not a predicate.		
Example:	<u>true if</u> Flag = 0	PUSH Flag; PUSHI 0; COMPARE JNE 42 TRUE LABEL 42	

5.4. Embedding Machine Code

These ICODE instructions allow a programmer to insert assembler code or binary values into the program's instruction sequence. Multiple PLANT instructions can be used to insert legal machine code instructions that the embedded assembler function (MCODE) does not yet recognise.

Instruction:	MCODE <string>	'w'	Machine Code(Get Ascii(';'))
Effect:	The string is decoded as assembler text and added to the instruction stream		
Notes:	escape to assembler code Assembler code is encoded by the IMP Compiler Pass1		
Error:			
Example:	*MOV_ %eax,#59		MCODE

Instruction:	PLANT <byte>	'P'	Load Plant
Effect:	Stores the byte in the instruction stream		
Notes:	Machine code literal		
Error:			
Example:	*45		PLANT 45

5.5. Event/Signal

The IMP language has a simple mechanism to signal events/exceptions and insert handler code which the following ICODE instructions direct the code-generator to cater for.

Instruction:	EVENT <n>	'e'	Signal Event(Tag)
Effect:	The event <n>,SOS,TOS is signalled.		
Notes:	%signal event		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	<u>signal</u> 1,2,3	PUSHI 3; PUSHI 2; EVENT 1	

Instruction:	ON <n> <label>	'o'	EventTrap(TagC, Tag)
Effect:	<p>This instruction marks the start of an <u>on event</u> block.</p> <p><n> is a sixteen-bit set of flags where each trapped event is represented by a 1-bit, with the least-significant bit corresponding to event 0 and the most-significant bit event 15.</p>		
Notes:	<p>%on %event block</p> <p><label> is the simple label which marks the end of the event block.</p>		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <n> does not have any bits set. 2. <label> is not defined before the end of the current block 		
Example:	<u>on</u> 9 <u>start</u> ; <u>return</u> ; <u>finish</u>	ON 512 17 RETURN LABEL 17	

Instruction:	STOP	's'	Load Perm(stop, 0)
Effect:	Generates code to stop the target program (not the compiler).		
Notes:	<p>%stop</p> <p>This is equivalent to %signal 0,0,0</p>		
Error:			
Example:			

5.6. Compare/Test

These ICODE instructions are used to indicate code required to compare values.

Instruction:	COMPARE	'?	Load Compare Values
Effect:	SOS is compared to TOS and the condition-code is set appropriately. TOS and SOS are then removed from the stack.		
Notes:	The types of both TOS and SOS must be one of the following: Integer, Real, String, Record, Set Integer values will be converted to real if necessary. The comparison is signed where integer values are concerned.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. The types of TOS and SOS are incompatible. 		
Example:	<u>if</u> S < "123" <u>then</u> X = 0	PUSH S; PUSHS "123"; COMPARE; BGE 13 PUSH X; PUSHI 0; ASSVAL LABEL 13	

Instruction:	COMPAREA	'C'	Load Compare Addresses
Effect:	The address of SOS is compared to the address of TOS and the condition-code is set appropriately. TOS and SOS are then removed from the stack.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not a reference for a data object. 3. SOS is not a reference for a data object. 		
Example:	<u>integername</u> M; <u>integer</u> N <u>if</u> N == M <u>then</u> Newline	PUSH N; PUSH M; COMPAREA; BNE 14 PUSH Newline; CALL LABEL 14	

Instruction:	COMPARED	''''	Load Compare Double
Effect:	SOS is compared to TOS and the condition-code is set appropriately. TOS and SOS are then removed from the stack.		
Notes:	The types of both TOS and SOS must be one of the following: Integer, Real, String, Record, Set Integer values will be converted to real if necessary. The comparison is signed where integer values are concerned.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. The types of TOS and SOS are incompatible. 		
Example:	<u>if</u> S < "123" <u>then</u> X = 0	PUSH S; PUSHS "123"; COMPARED; BGE 13 PUSH X; PUSHI 0; ASSVAL LABEL 13	

5.7. Parameter/Variable Declaration

These ICODE instructions help specify the type of variables present inside the program source.

Although IMP allows spaces within a variable name, internally the spaces are removed from variable names by the first stage of the compiler when generating the ICODE sequence.

The ICODE instruction, DEF, indicates the data-type, size and structure of a variable. When referencing the variable, the tag value is used.

Instruction:	ALIAS <string>	'G'	Get Alias Value(ReadString)
Effect:	<string> is noted as the current alias.		
Notes:	See 'Begin' and 'Define'		
Error:	None		
Example:	<u>external integer</u> Thing <u>alias</u> "SS\$THING"	ALIAS "SS\$THING" DEF THING.....	

Instruction:	ALTNEXT	'c'	AlternateNext
Effect:	This instruction marks an alternative sequence of tag definitions.		
Notes:	The instructions ALTSTART and ALTEND are brackets and must be properly nested.		
Error:	1. List flag is not set.		
Example:	<pre> recordformat F(integer X, (integer Y or real Z)) DEF F..... START DEF X..... ALTSTART DEF Y..... ALTNEXT DEF Z..... ALTEND FINISH </pre>		

Instruction:	ALTSTART	'g'	AlternateStart
Effect:	This instruction marks an alternative sequence of tag definitions.		
Notes:	The instructions ALTSTART and ALTEND are brackets and must be properly nested.		
Error:	1. List flag is not set.		
Example:	<pre> recordformat F(integer X, (integer Y or real Z)) DEF F..... START DEF X..... ALTSTART DEF Y..... ALTNEXT DEF Z..... ALTEND FINISH </pre>		

Instruction:	ALTEND	'h'	AlternateEnd
Effect:	This instruction marks an alternative sequence of tag definitions.		
Notes:	The instructions ALTSTART and ALTEND are brackets and must be properly nested.		
Error:	1. List flag is not set.		
Example:	<pre> recordformat F(integer X, (integer Y or real Z)) DEF F..... START DEF X..... ALTSTART DEF Y..... ALTNEXT DEF Z..... ALTEND FINISH </pre>		

Instruction:	BOUNDS	'b'	Load Constant Bounds
Effect:	The value of TOS is noted as 'upper-bound' and the value of SOS is noted as 'lower-bound'. TOS and SOS are removed from the stack.		
Notes:	This is used to define a constant bounded Dope Vector This instruction is used as a preliminary to defining <u>switch</u> vectors and <u>own</u> , <u>const</u> and <u>external</u> arrays.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 4. The value of TOS is less than the value of SOS. 		
Example:	<u>switch</u> Sw(-3:3)	PUSHI 3; Negate; PUSHI 3; BOUNDS DEF Sw.....	

Instruction:	DEF <tag> [id] <a> <c> '\$' Define Var(Tag, AsciiC, TagC, TagC, Tag)
Effect:	<p>A new tag value is created.</p> <p><tag> defines the tag index which will be used to select the value.</p> <p>[id] specifies the actual identifier associated with the described object. It is a sequence of zero or more characters terminated by a comma. This identifier will be used for external linkage if necessary unless overridden by an Alias. [id] will also be used for run-time diagnostic information.</p> <p><a> A two-byte value: <a> = T<<4+F where:</p> <p>T = 0 : void T = 1 : integer {qualified by } T = 2 : real {qualified by } T = 3 : string {maximum length } T = 4 : record {format } Variable defined where T>4 are invalid for any version of the IMP language Variables where T>4 may belong to languages such as PASCAL T = 5 : boolean T = 6 : set T = 7 : 8-bit-enumerated {format } T = 8 : 16-bit-enumerated {format } T = 9 : pointer T = 10 : char T = 11 : unsigned {qualified by } T = 12-15 : undefined {error}</p> <p>F = 0 : void F = 1 : simple {byte} F = 2 : indirect {bytename} F = 3 : general label F = 4 : recordformat F = 5 : undefined {error} F = 6 : switch F = 7 : routine F = 8 : function F = 9 : map F = 10 : predicate F = 11 : array {array} F = 12 : array indirect {arrayname} F = 13 : indirect array {namearray} F = 14 : indirect array indirect {namearrayname} F = 15 : undefined {error}</p> <p> If T is INTEGER takes the following meaning:</p> <p>1, full range (depends on machine i.e. 16-bit, 32-bit or 64-bit integers) 2, range 0 .. 255 (=0..2⁸-1) 3, range -32768 .. 32767 (= -2¹⁵ .. 2¹⁵-1) (16-bit) 4, range -2³¹ .. 2³¹-1 (32-bit) 5, range -2⁶³ .. 2⁶³-1 (64-bit)</p>

	<p>If T is UNSIGNED takes the following meaning:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1, full range (depends on machine i.e.16-bit, 32-bit or 64-bit) 2, range 0 .. 2⁸-1 3, range 0 .. 2¹⁶-1 4, range 0 .. 2³²-1 5, range 0 .. 2⁶⁴-1 <p>If T is REAL takes the following meanings b=:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1, normal precision 4, double precision <p>If T is STRING gives the maximum length of the string. (1 <= b <= 255)</p> <p>If T is RECORD gives the tag of the corresponding recordformat.</p> <p>If T is enumerated gives the tag of the dummy format used to identify the enumerated value identifiers.</p> <p><c> is a two-byte value: U<<5+I<<4+S<<3+X where:</p> <p>U = 1 check the object for unassigned, U = 0 otherwise</p> <p>I = 1 if the object is an indirect object, I = 0 otherwise</p> <p>S = 1 if this is a <u>spec</u>, S = 0 otherwise</p> <p>X = 0 :: automatic (stack) allocation</p> <p>X = 1 :: <u>own</u></p> <p>X = 2 :: <u>constant</u></p> <p>X = 3 :: <u>external</u></p> <p>X = 4 :: <u>system</u></p> <p>X = 5 :: <u>dynamic</u></p> <p>X = 6 :: <u>primitive</u></p> <p>X = 7 :: <u>permanent</u></p> <p>An indirect object (I=1) differs from F=2 in that F=2 implies that the actual object created will be a pointer and will be dereferenced whenever used unless explicit action is taken (e.g. use of Assign-Reference).</p> <p>If I=1 a pointer will be created (usually as an integer) and will be treated as an integer (or address) with no automatic dereferencing taking place.</p>
Notes:	<p>The tag values within a block should be dense and preferably consecutive.</p> <p>All tag values within a block must have values greater than the maximum tag value yet defined within the enclosing block.</p> <p>Tag definitions remain valid until the end of the enclosing block.</p> <p>The tag values used within a recordformat definition must all be zero; the fields of a record are selected by their position in the format, numbered starting from one.</p>

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Instruction:	DIM <n><d>	'd'	Dimension(TagC, Tag)
Effect:	<d> pairs of integer values on the stack are used to define the bounds of the last <n> arrays to have been defined. Code is generated, if necessary, to allocate the arrays and the definitions are adjusted to reference the appropriate storage.		
Notes:	<p>The pairs of values are stacked in order of the declaration, that is, first dimension first.</p> <p>In each pair of values, the lower bound is stacked before the upper bound.</p> <p>The last <n> tags must have had consecutive index values.</p> <p>NB in params: d =0 -> simple array, # 0 -> array-in-record</p>		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than 2*<d> items. 2. The last <n> definitions were not all arrays. 		
Example:	<u>integerarray</u> A, B, C(1:2, Low:4)	DEF A..... DEF B..... DEF C..... PUSHI 1; PUSHI 2 PUSH Low; PUSHI 4 DIM 3 2	

Instruction:	FINISH	{	Finish Params
Effect:	This instruction marks the end of a list of tag definitions corresponding to either a parameter list or a recordformat definition. List flag is cleared, and the tag list is processed in any ways necessary. If the tag list is associated with a procedure spec or a recordformat this instruction also marks the 'end' of the associated 'block'.		
Notes:	The list of definitions may be empty.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List flag is clear. 2. There has been an unmatched START. 		
Example:	<u>routine</u> Test(<u>integer</u> j, k)	DEF Test..... START DEF j..... DEF k..... FINISH	
	<u>recordformat</u> F(<u>integer</u> P or <u>real</u> R)	DEF F..... START DEF P..... ALTNEXT DEF R..... FINISH	

Instruction:	INIT <n>	'A'	Init(Tag)
Effect:	<n> copies of the init-value are added to the list of values associated with the init-variable. The init-value is either the default value (unassigned) if the stack is empty, the value of TOS (possibly converted to real) if TOS is a constant, or the address of TOS if TOS is a variable. The init-variable is the last static object to have been defined using Define.		
Notes:	Used to initialise an OWN variable		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TOS, if it exists, is not of the same type as the init-variable. 		
Example:	<u>ownintegerarray</u> A(1:5) = 1(3), 4, 99	PUSHI 1; PUSHI 5; BOUNDS DEF A..... PUSHI 1; PUSHI 3 PUSHI 4; INIT 1 PUSHI 99; INIT 1	
	<u>owninteger</u> P = -1	PUSHI 1; NEGATE DEF P..... INIT 1	

Instruction:	SETFORMAT <tag>	'^'	Set Record Format(Tag)
Effect:	TOS is converted to be a record of format <tag>. This never involves any instructions being executed in the object program.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <tag> is not a recordformat. 2. The stack is empty. 3. TOS is not a reference to a variable. 		
Example:			

Instruction:	START	'{'	StartParams
Effect:	This instruction marks the start of a list of tags defining the parameters to a procedure or the components of a record. List flag is set.		
Notes:	This instruction must always follow the definition of a procedure or recordformat tag. There must be a matching 'Finish' before the end of the block.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. List flag is set. 2. The last instruction was not a 'Define' which introduced a procedure or recordformat. 		
Example:	<u>routine</u> Newline;; <u>end</u>	DEF Newline..... START FINISH END	

5.8. Access Variables

These ICODE instructions are used to access the variables defined in the previous set of ICODE instructions.

Instruction:	ACCESS	'a'	Load Array Ref(0)
Effect:	TOS is used as the final index into SOS. TOS is removed from the stack leaving SOS as the new TOS.		
Notes:	This instruction is used to process the final dimension of an N dimensional array. See Index for the previous dimensions.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS does not describe an array. 		
Example:	A(j) = 0	PUSH A PUSH j; ACCESS PUSHI 0; ASSVAL	

Instruction:	INDEX	'i'	Load Array Ref(1)
Effect:	TOS is used as the next index into SOS. TOS is removed from the stack leaving SOS as the new TOS.		
Notes:	This instruction is used to process the first N-1 dimensions of an N dimensional array. See Access for the final dimension.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an array descriptor. 		
Example:			

Instruction:	PUSH <tag>	'@'	Load Var(Tag)
Effect:	The tag with index value <tag> is pushed onto the stack.		
Notes:	Load variable descriptor (calls Stack Var)		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <tag> has not been defined. 		
Example:	A = B	PUSH A; PUSH B; ASSVAL	

Instruction:	PUSHI <integer>	'N'	Load Const(ReadInteger)
Effect:	The integer value <integer> is pushed into the stack and becomes the new TOS.		
Notes:	Load integer constant (calls Push Const) The instruction 'Byte' is an abbreviation for this instruction when the value is in the range 0..255.		
Error:			
Example:	X = 2500	PUSH X; PUSHI 2500; ASSVAL	

Instruction:	PUSHR <real>	'D'	Input Real Value(ReadReal)
Effect:	The real constant <real> is pushed onto the stack.		
Notes:	Stack real constant		
Error:			
Example:	Z = -1.23	PUSH Z; PUSHR <1.23>; NEGATE ASSVAL	

Instruction:	PUSHS <string>	''	Input String Value(ReadString)
Effect:	The string constant <string> is pushed onto the stack.		
Notes:	Stack string constant		
Error:			
Example:	S = "Hello"	PUSH S PUSHS "Hello" ASSVAL	

Instruction:	RESOLVE <flag>	'r'	Resolve(Tag)
Effect:			
Notes:	Split the string S ->A.(B).C		
Error:			
Example:			

Instruction:	SELECT <n>	'n'	SelectField(Tag)
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the <n>'th item in the format of TOS. Fields within records are numbered from 1; alternative markers have no effect on the numbering.		
Notes:	Select member from record format		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not a record. 3. The format of TOS does not contain at least <n> items. 		
Example:	<u>recordformat</u> F(integer P or <u>record</u> (F) <u>name</u> Q) <u>record</u> (F) R R_Q_P = 0	PUSH R SELECT 2 SELECT 1 PUSHI 0 ASSVAL	

5.9. Compiler Directives

These ICODE instructions are used to control the operation of the various compiler stages.

Instruction:	VERSION <a> 	'~'	
Effect:	The byte values a, b represent the major, minor version of the iCode format respectively. They direct the pass2 stage to accept different iCode versions in an implementation-specific manner.		
Notes:	a: major id b: minor id		
Error:			
Example:			

Instruction:	CONTROL <n>	'z'	Set Control(ReadTag)
Effect:	The value <n> is of the form $p \ll 14 + q$. The value q is to be used by the p'th pass of the compiler in an implementation-specific manner.		
Notes:			
Error:			
Example:			

Instruction:	DIAG <n>	'y'	Set Diagnose(ReadTag)
Effect:	The value <n> is of the form $p \ll 14 + q$. The value q is to be used by the p'th pass of the compiler in an implementation-specific manner.		
Notes:			
Error:			
Example:			

Instruction:	EOF	10	
Effect:	The compilation is to be abandoned with an error message.		
Notes:	This instruction is required at the end of an I-code file even though in correct programs it will never be executed. It is there to provide a check on the operation of the code-generator and to permit the code-generator to use a one-character look-ahead.		
Error:			
Example:			

Instruction:	LANG <flags>	'l'	Load Language Flags(Tag)
Effect:	The 16-bit parameter <flags> sets the language flags.		
Notes:	Currently only support standard IMP		
Error:			
Example:			

Instruction:	LINE <n>	'O'	Update Line(Tag)
Effect:	The current position is associated with the start of the code for source line <n>.		
Notes:			
Error:	1. The stack is not empty.		
Example:	X = 1 Y = 3; Z = 4 LINE 1; PUSH X; PUSHI 1; ASSVAL LINE 2; PUSH Y; PUSHI 3; ASSVAL LINE 2; PUSH Z; PUSHI 4; ASSVAL		

Instruction:	MONITOR	'm'	Load Monitor
Effect:	Plant code to execute the specific monitor action		
Notes:			
Error:			
Example:			

5.10. Block Structure/Call

These ICODE instructions indicate the block structure of the program and calling sequence between the different blocks of code.

Instruction:	BEGIN	'H'	Load Compile Begin
Effect:	An anonymous procedure is defined here and called once. A new block is entered. If an alias has been noted (see Alias) that string will be used for identifying the block in diagnostic information leaving no alias noted.		
Notes:	The sequence "Begin End" may always be replaced by a sequence of the form: Define X.....; Start; Finish; End; Stack X; Call where X is a suitable unique tag.		
Error:	None		
Example:	<u>begin</u> ; Newline; <u>end</u>	BEGIN PUSH Newline; CALL END	

Instruction:	CALL	'E'	Load Compile Call(top)
Effect:	The procedure described by TOS is called. If TOS is a procedure which returns a result TOS is replaced by that result, otherwise TOS is removed from the stack.		
Notes:	Predicates do not return a result but set the condition-code.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS does not describe a procedure. 3. There has not been the same number of parameters assigned using Assign-Parameter as is specified by the parameter list. 		
Example:	Newlines(4)	PUSH Newlines PUSHI 4; ASSPAR CALL	

Instruction:	END	';	Load End of Block
Effect:	This instruction marks the end of a block. All tags defined within the block are deleted (made undefined) and become available for re-use. If the block is a routine this instruction also implies a ' <u>return</u> ' instruction.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is not empty. 		
Example:			

6. Unused ICODE Instructions

The current compiler implementation uses a limited set of ICODE instructions which are described in the previous section.

The following ICODE instructions are currently not implemented in this version of the IMP compiler suite.

Some of these unused ICODE instructions could be used to represent instances of calls to IMP run-time library routines or be replaced by embedded implicit code to be inserted by the code generation phase of the compiler.

Other unused ICODE instructions could be used to define constructs in the non-IMP compilers (i.e. C/Pascal) implemented by P.S. Robertson.

Instruction:	Absolute		
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the absolute value of TOS.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The stack is empty. TOS is not integer or real. 		
Example:	X = Y+Z	Stack X Stack Y; Stack Z; Add; Absolute Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Address		
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the address of the object it describes.		
Notes:	Commonly the type of an address will be indistinguishable from integer.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The stack is empty. TOS does not have an address. 		
Example:	P = Addr(Q)	Stack P Stack Q; Address Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Adjust		
Effect:	The address of SOS is adjusted forwards or backwards by TOS items of the same size as SOS. This may be thought of as an array accessing instruction where SOS defines the zero'th element.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The stack contains less than two items. TOS is not an integer. SOS does not reference a data object. 		
Example:	N == N[X]	Stack N Stack N; Stack X; Adjust Assign-Reference	

Instruction:	Byte 		
Effect:	The unsigned byte value is stacked.		
Notes:	This is a compact form for the Integer instruction when small values are to be stacked.		
Error:	None		
Example:	X = 200	Stack X; Byte 200; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Compare-Repeated-Values		
Effect:	SOS is compared to TOS and the condition-code is set appropriately. SOS is then removed from the stack leaving TOS		
Notes:	The types of both TOS and SOS must be one of the following: Integer, Real, String, Record, Set Integer values will be converted to real if one operand is real.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. The types of TOS and SOS are incompatible. 		
Example:	<code>if 1 <= X <= 12 then X = 0</code>	Byte 1; Stack X; Compare-Repeated-Values; BGT 15 Byte 12; Compare-Values; BGT 15 Stack X; Byte 0; Assign-Values Label 15	

Instruction:	Compare-Unsigned-Values		
Effect:	SOS is compared against TOS with the values being interpreted as unsigned values. The condition-code is set accordingly and TOS and SOS are removed from the stack.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	<code>if U1 < U2 then U2 = 0</code>	Stack U1; Stack U2; Compare-Unsigned-Values; Bge 31 Stack U2; Byte 0; Assign-Value Label 31	

Instruction:	Complement		
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the ones-complement of TOS.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty 2. TOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	<code>P = \Q</code>	Stack P; Stack Q; Complement; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Define-Range <tag>		
Effect:	The given tag is defined to be the integer range defined by lower-bound and upper-bound.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The two bounds have not been defined. 		
Example:	<code>Var x:1..10; x := i;</code>	Byte 1; Byte 10; Bounds Define-Range 99.....; Define x..... ... Stack x; Stack i; Test-Range 99; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Duplicate		
Effect:	A copy of TOS is pushed onto the stack.		
Notes:	After this instruction TOS and SOS are identical.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 		
Example:	<code>int A[10],x; A[x]++;</code>	Stack A; Stack x; Adjust Duplicate Byte 1; Add; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Eval		
Effect:	The value described by TOS is protected against being altered as the side-effect of alterations to any variables which make up that value.		
Notes:	Commonly this instruction loads the value of TOS into a machine register.		
Error:	1. The stack is empty.		
Example:	a = b + c++	Stack a; Stack b; Stack c; Add; Eval Stack c; Stack c; Byte 1; Add; Assign-Value Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Eval-Addr		
Effect:	The address of the object described by TOS is protected against alteration.		
Notes:	Commonly this instruction loads the address of the object referred to be TOS into a machine register.		
Error:	1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not a reference.		
Example:	int *p; *p++ = 10;	Stack p; Eval-Addr; Stack p; Duplicate Byte 1; Adjust; Assign-Value Byte 10; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Float		
Effect:	The value described by TOS is converted into a real value if necessary.		
Notes:	If TOS is already a real this operation is a no-op.		
Error:	1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real.		
Example:			

Instruction:	Include <string>		
Effect:	This instruction marks the start (or end) of the code generated from source contained in an include file. If <string> is null it marks the end of an include file.		
Notes:			
Error:			
Example:			

Instruction:	Init-Type <n>		
Effect:	The type of the init-variable (see Init) is <n> for the purposes of subsequent 'Init' instructions. <n> encodes the type as in the type field of 'Define'.		
Notes:			
Error:	1. <n> does not correspond to a valid type.		
Example:			

Instruction:	Int		
Effect:	TOS is replaced by Int(TOS), that is, the nearest integer to the value of TOS. The type of the new TOS is integer.		
Notes:	See the IMP Library Definition for a discussion of the details of the INT function.		
Error:	1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real.		
Example:	I = Int(R+0.3)	Stack I; Stack R; Real <0.3>; Add Int Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Intpt		
Effect:	TOS is replaced by Intpt(TOS), that is, the integer part of TOS. The type of the new TOS is integer.		
Notes:	See the IMP Library Definition for a discussion of the details of the INTPT function.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real value. 		
Example:	I = Intpt(R-S)	Stack I; Stack R; Stack S; Sub Intpt Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Localise		
Effect:	The area pointed at by <a> is copied into the local stack frame and <a> is updated to point at the new area.		
Notes:	If the first byte of the new area is at X, <a> is updated to the address X-<c>.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than three items. 2. <a> is not a reference. 3. and <c> are not integer values. 		
Example:			

Instruction:	Null-Set		
Effect:	A descriptor of a null set is stacked.		
Notes:			
Error:			
Example:	SetA := [];	Stack SetA; Null-Set; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Pop		
Effect:	TOS is removed from the stack.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 		
Example:	X := Y := 0	Stack X; Duplicate Stack Y; Duplicate Byte 0; Assign-Value; Assign-Value Pop	

Instruction:	Reference <n>		
Effect:	TOS is replaced by a reference to an object of type <n> at the address given by the original TOS. The value of <n> is encoded in the same way as the type information, <a>, in the Define instruction.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not an integer (address) value. 		
Example:	P = Integer(Q)	Stack P; Stack Q; Reference 1 Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Remainder		
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and are replaced by the value REM(SOS, TOS). The exact definition of REM is given in the IMP Library Definition.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. SOS is not an integer value. 		
Example:	Digit = Rem(N, 10)	Stack Digit; Stack N; Byte 10; Remainder	Assign-Value

Instruction:	Round		
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the value ROUND(TOS) where ROUND is as defined in section 6.6.6.3 of the Pascal standard BS 6192:1982, with the extension that ROUND returns the value of its parameter if that value is already an integer.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real. 		
Example:	i := Round(r+0.1);	Stack i; Stack r; Real <0.1>; Add Round; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Size-Of		
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the integer value giving the number of bytes in the object referenced by the original TOS.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not a reference to a data object. 		
Example:	P = Sizeof(R)	Stack P; Stack R; Size-Of; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Stack-Condition 		
Effect:	The values of SOS and TOS are compared as in Compare-Values but instead of the condition-code being set, TOS and SOS are replaced by the constant 1 (true) or 0 (false) depending on whether the condition specified by is true or false. The values of are the encodings of the instructions: BEQ, BNE, BLT, BLE, BGT, BGE, BT, BF		
Notes:	The comparison is signed when integers are concerned.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS and SOS cannot be compared. 3. is not a valid condition. 		
Example:	B := (X=Y);	Stack B Stack X; Stack Y; Stack-Condition BEQ	Assign-Value

Instruction:	Stack-In		
Effect:	TOS and SOS are removed from the stack and are replaced by an integer value which is 1 (true) if SOS is IN the set TOS or 0 (false) if SOS is not IN the set TOS.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS is not a set. 3. SOS is not an integer. 		
Example:	B := (x IN s);	Stack B Stack x; Stack s; Stack-In Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Stack-Unsigned-Condition 		
Effect:	The values of SOS and TOS are compared as in Compare-Unsigned-Values but instead of the condition-code being set TOS and SOS are replaced by the constant 1 (true) or 0 (false) depending on whether the condition specified by is true or false. The values of are the encodings of the instructions: BEQ, BNE, BLT, BLE, BGT, BGE, BT, BF		
Notes:	The comparison is unsigned when integers are concerned.		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. TOS and SOS cannot be compared. 3. is not a valid condition. 		
Example:	B := (Ux < Uy);	Stack B Stack Ux; Stack Uy; Stack-Unsigned-Condition BLT Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Swop		
Effect:	The top two items on the stack are reversed. That is, TOS becomes the new SOS, and SOS becomes the new TOS.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 		
Example:	X = Y	Stack Y; Stack X; Swop; Assign-Value	

Instruction:	Test-Boolean		
Effect:	The condition-code is set to 'false' or 'true' depending on whether TOS is 0 (false) or 1 (true). TOS is removed from the stack.		
Notes:			
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not a boolean value. 		
Example:	If B Then DoltNow;	Stack B; Test-Boolean; BF 43 Stack DoltNow; Call Label 43	

Instruction:	Test-In	
Effect:	The value of SOS is tested for inclusion within the set TOS. The condition-code is set 'true' or 'false' accordingly. Both TOS and SOS are removed from the stack.	
Notes:		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack contains less than two items. 2. SOS is not an integer value. 3. TOS is not a set value. 	
Example:	If NOT x IN s Then x := 0;	Stack x; Stack s; Test-In Bt 31 Stack x; Byte 0; Assign-Value Label 31

Instruction:	Test-Nil	
Effect:	A check is performed to ensure that TOS is not NIL. An event is signalled if it is, or if TOS points to a heap item which has been returned to the heap (disposed).	
Notes:	This test can also perform an unassigned variable check.	
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not a pointer variable. 	
Example:	P^ := 0;	Stack P; Test-Nil Reference <1> Byte 0; Assign-Value

Instruction:	Test-Range <tag>	
Effect:	The value of TOS is checked to be within the range defined by the tag. If the value is not in the range an event is signalled.	
Notes:	The event is signalled at run-time.	
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not an integer value. 3. <tag> does not define a range. 	
Example:	Byteval := Bigval;	Stack Byteval Stack Bigval; Test-Range Byterange Assign-Value

Instruction:	Trunc	
Effect:	TOS is replaced by the value TRUNC(TOS) where TRUNC is as defined in section 6.6.6.3 of the Pascal standard BS 6192:1982, with the extension that Trunc returns the value of its parameter if that value is already an integer.	
Notes:		
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is neither integer nor real. 	
Example:	i := Trunc(r+0.1);	Stack i; Stack r; Real <0.1>; Add Trunc; Assign-Value

Instruction:	Variable-Call	
Effect:	The procedure described by TOS is called. This differs from 'Call' in that the procedure may have a variable number of parameters.	
Notes:	This instruction is used to call 'C' procedures, and its definition is as woolly as the definition of that language.	
Error:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The stack is empty. 2. TOS is not a procedure descriptor. 	
Example:	try(1); try(1,2);	Stack try Byte 1; Assign-Parameter Variable-Call Stack try; Byte 1; Assign-Parameter Byte 2; Assign-Parameter Variable-Call

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JGE

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JLE

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JNE

JNZ