| ZZZZZ | IIIII | PPPP |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Z | I | P | P |
| $\mathrm{E}-\mathrm{Z}$ | I | P | P |
| Z | I | PPPP |  |
| $\mathrm{X}-\mathrm{Z}$ | I | P |  |
| Z | I | P |  |
| ZZZZZ | IIIII | P |  |

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## Chapter 1

## Introduction to ZIP

ZIP is a program, running on any of a large variety of machines, which emulates the nonexistent Z-machine. From the Z point of view, a ZIP may be thought of as providing two functions. It emulates the hardware instructions found on a Z-machine. Also, it provides the software functions of the operating system ordinarily found on a Z-machine, including program startup and certain service facilities.

This document will describe both functions of ZIP without necessarily differentiating between them. For further information, refer to "ZAP: Z-language Assembly Program," by Joel M. Berez, or to the appropriate not-yet-written document.

ZIP is the lowest level of Infocom's multi-tier interactive fiction creation and execution system. Most of the development system for creating and debugging these products runs on a powerful computer in the MDL environment. The final output is a Z program that can run under any ZIP.

There are currently three versions of ZIP used in developing games. These are known as ZIP, EZIP, and XZIP. It is intended that ultimately XZIP will replace EZIP. Eventually, as interest in the 8-bit microcomputers diminishes, ZIP will be retired. Finally, there is a special version of EZIP called LZIP ("lower-case EZIP") which is EZIP with game size limitations for certain medium-sized micros.

This document is primarily concerned with EZIP and XZIP. The major differences between these and "classic" ZIP will only be summarized.

EZIP/XZIP was designed to be usable on any of a large number of medium to large microcomputer systems. The minimum requirements are 128 K of primary memory with one disk drive having at least 140 K bytes of storage. The design goal also requires no more than a few seconds response time for a typical move.

These goals are achieved by designing a low-level specialized game execution language that can be easily implemented on most microcomputers. To satisfy the RAM limitation, ZIP pages the disk-resident program. For speed, all modifiable locations are permanently loaded into RAM along with most tables and some frequently used code. Any extra RAM available
should be used by the ZIP program to buffer disk-resident code as it is used on an LRU or similar basis.

Disk space savings were achieved using an instruction set that is highly space-efficient for interactive fiction. Also, all text is compressed by nearly one-half.

## Chapter 2

## ZIP Instruction Format

### 2.1 General Information

The Z-machine is byte-oriented (assuming 8-bit bytes). Instructions are of variable length and a minimum of one byte.

Data, including instruction operands, are sometimes word-oriented. In this case each word consists of two consecutive bytes, not necessarily beginning on a word-boundary.

Some common examples of word-oriented data are pointers and numbers. Note that although small positive constants can be specified in single-byte format, arithmetic is always done internally with 16 -bit words.

Quad-byte-boundaries are used in some cases to allow pointers to have four times the addressing range that ordinary byte-pointers would have. Where applicable, these are identified as quad-pointers.

### 2.2 Opcode Format

```
bit # 76543210
20P 0 m m o o o o o 2-operand (short-form)
10P 1 0 m m o o o o 1-operand
00P 1 0 1 1 o o o o 0-operand
EXT 1 1 ० ० ० ० ० ० extended (0-4 operands)
    (m=mode bits, o=operator bits)
```

The operand format for an instruction depends solely on the opcode format used for the instruction. As can be seen from the above chart, there are only four possibilities.

A given operator will generally use only one of these formats, with the exception that all 2-operand operators may be encoded in either 2OP or EXT format.

In XZIP, the operand space has been expanded for a further 256 opcodes by means of the EXTOP instruction. EXTOP causes the next byte to be treated as an opcode 256 higher. All such opcodes are decoded as EXTs.

Note that the formats were arranged to make decoding easy:

```
if (opcode < 128) then 20P
elseif (opcode < 176) then 10P
elseif (opcode < 192) then OOP
else EXT
```


### 2.3 Addressing Modes

There are three types of operands: immediate, long immediate, and variable. Operands follow the opcodes in the same order as the mode bits when reading from left to right (high-order to low-order bits).

A long immediate is a 16 -bit value that is not further decoded during operand fetching. It may be a twos-complement number, a pointer, or have some other meaning to the operator. An immediate is interpreted exactly as a long immediate with the low-order byte as given and a high-order byte of zero.

A variable operand is a byte that is further decoded as being the identifier of a variable whose value should be used as the actual operand. The number given is interpreted as follows:

```
var interpretation
0 pop a value from the stack
1-15 use local variable #1-15
16-255 use global variable #16-255
```


### 2.3.1 Single Operand (1OP)

```
Bits: 54 Operand
    0 0 long immediate
    0 1 immediate
    1 0 variable
    1 undefined
```


### 2.3.2 Double Operand (2OP)

Bits 6 and 5 refer to the first and second operands, respectively. A zero specifies an immediate operand while a one specifies a variable operand:

```
Bits: 6 5 Operands
0 0 immediate, immediate
0 1 immediate, variable
1 0 variable, immediate
1 variable, variable
```

Note that this format does not allow for long immediate operands. If one is required, the EXT format must be used.

### 2.3.3 Extended Format (EXT)

In this format there are no mode bits in the opcode itself. All of the mode bits appear in the next byte following the opcode. In the special case of the XCALL instruction (and IXCALL in XZIP), there are two of these mode bytes following the opcode. A mode byte is interpreted as four 2-bit mode-specifiers read from left-to-right as follows:

| Bits: | $\underline{1} 0$ |  | $\underline{\text { Operand }}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 0 | 0 | long immediate |
| 0 | 1 |  | immediate |
| 1 | 0 |  | variable |
| 1 | 1 | no more operands |  |

Note that extended format does not imply that a given operator takes a variable number of arguments. This format is used in four cases: where a 2-operand operator cannot use 2OP format; where an operator requires either three or four operands; where an operator is used so seldom that it is undesirable to waste a $2 \mathrm{OP}, 1 \mathrm{OP}$, or 0OP opcode; and, finally, where an operator does indeed take a variable number of operands.

The EXTOP instruction provides for 256 additional EXT opcodes. This opcode (190) tells the interpreter that the next byte is to be treated as an opcode whose value is itself plus 256 . EXTOPs are produced by ZAP, so they are usually not seen unless code is being examined byte-by-byte.

### 2.4 Instruction Values

Some instructions, such as the arithmetics, return a full word value. These instructions contain an additional byte that specifies where this value should be returned. This byte
is interpreted as a variable in a complementary manner to that described in the previous section.

```
var interpretation
0 push the value onto the stack
1-15 set local variable #1-15
16-255 set global variable #16-255
```


### 2.5 Predicates

Predicate instructions contain an implicit conditional branch instruction. The branch polarity and location are specified in one or two extra bytes in the instruction format. (Note that these bytes would follow the value byte, if any.)
The high-order bit (bit 7) of the first byte specifies the conditional branch polarity. If the bit is on, the branch occurs if the predicate "succeeds." If the bit is off, the branch occurs if the predicate "fails."

The next bit (bit 6) determines the branch offset format. If the bit is on, the offset is the (positive) value of the next 6 bits. If the bit is off, the offset is a 14 -bit twos-complement number, where the next 6 -bits are the high-order bits and another byte follows with the 8 low-order bits. (Note that these are two consecutive bytes and not a word.)

If the branch does not occur, execution continues at the next sequential instruction. Otherwise, if the offset is zero, an RFALSE instruction is executed. If the offset is one, an RTRUE instruction is executed. For any other offset, a JUMP is done to the location of the next sequential instruction plus the offset minus two.

## Chapter 3

## ZIP Instruction Set

### 3.1 Instruction Metasyntax

Instructions will be individually described in the following format. A heading will show the instruction name followed by its arguments (operands). If the format of the instruction is different in EZIP or XZIP, there may be more than one line of heading. The heading line is followed by explanatory text.

On the right side of the heading line the valid opcode format(s) is shown followed by the base opcode value (assuming mode bits are all zero). It is implicitly understood that for each 2OP format, there is also a legal EXT format with a base opcode 192 higher.

If the opcode is XZIP only, or differs in its interpretation between XZIP and EZIP, there will be an X (for XZIP) at the right edge of the heading line.

The operands on the heading line are given names and types indicative of their use:

```
int twos-complement integer, used arithmetically
word word of bits for logical operations
any no special meaning attached
obj object number
flag flag number
prop property number
table pointer to a table
item element position in a table
var number of a variable
str pointer to a string (quad)
fcn pointer to a function (quad)
loc pointer to a program location
```

Optional arguments are indicated by underlining or italics, thus.
The opcode argument information is optionally followed by ¿VAL and/or /PRED according
to whether the instruction returns a value or is a predicate. (This is same format ZAP uses).

### 3.2 Extended Opcodes

EXTOP opcode:int 00P:190 X
Tells the interpreter that the following opcode is an extended opcode, meaning that the next byte is an opcode from a new set of $25 \overline{6}$ operations different from the first "normal" set.

The extension opcode set is decoded under the assumption that all the opcodes in it are EXTs.

In this document, such extension opcodes are denoted by opcode numbers greater than 255 . In effect, the EXTOP instruction (which is never seen by the game author) says to add 256 to the opcode following it. EXTOP would normally be handled during instruction decoding, rather than executing it as a real opcode.

### 3.3 Arithmetic Operations

Any arithmetic operation that returns a value that does not fit in a 16-bit word is in error.
[ADD] $\arg 1$ :int,arg2:int >VAL 2OP:20 Adds the integers.

SUB arg1:int, arg2:int >VAL
20P:21
Subtracts arg2 from arg1.

MUL arg1:int,arg2:int >VAL 20P:22
Multiplies the integers.

DIV arg1:int,arg2:int >VAL
Divides arg1 by arg2, returning the truncated quotient.

Divides $\underline{\arg 1}$ by $\arg 2$, returning the remainder.

RANDOM arg:int >VAL EXT:231

Returns a random value between one and arg, inclusive. Args of zero or less are treated specially, as follows.

Random numbers may be generated by a hardware random number generator, if available, or by some other method. The most common is to update the seeds while waiting for keyboard input, as the amount of time such input will take is unpredictable. If this method is used, both READ and INPUT should employ it.

It is sometimes useful to be able to get predictable results from RANDOM. For example, playing through a game from a script in order to reach a predictable point.
$\underline{\operatorname{Arg}}$ of a negative number makes RANDOM predictable. The absolute value of arg is saved away and RANDOM generates numbers in sequence from 1 to the absolute value of $\underline{\arg }$ for the remainder of the game session.

Note that the number described above is not necessarily the number returned by RANDOM, since later calls to RANDOM will have an arg as well, and the value is always MOD arg.
RANDOM with an argument of 0 resets RANDOM to its normal state (i.e. enables randomness).

LESS? arg1:int,arg2:int /PRED 20P: 2

Is $\underline{\arg 1}$ less than $\underline{\arg 2 ?}$

GRTR? arg1:int, arg2:int /PRED
20P:3
Is $\arg 1$ greater than $\arg 2$ ?

### 3.4 Logical Operations

BTST arg1:word, arg2:word /PRED
20P:7
Is every bit that is on in $\underline{\arg 2}$ also on in $\underline{\arg 1 ?}$

```
BAND arg1:word,arg2:word >VAL

Bitwise logical and.

BOR arg1:word,arg2:word >VAL
20P: 8
Bitwise logical or.
\begin{tabular}{ll} 
BCOM arg: word >VAL & \(10 \mathrm{P}: 143\) \\
BCOM arg:word \(>\) VAL & \(10 \mathrm{P}: 248 \mathrm{X}\)
\end{tabular}

BCOM arg:word >VAL
10P:248 X
Bitwise logical complement. Note that in XZIP BCOM is a different opcode.

SHIFT int, n >VAL EXT:258 X
SHIFT performs a 16-bit logical shift on \(\underline{\text { int }}\), shifting it left \(\underline{n}\) bits if \(\underline{n}\) is positive, and right the absolute value of \(\underline{n}\) bits if \(\underline{n}\) is negative. In a logical shift, the sign bit is not propagated on rightward shifts, but rather zeroed.

ASHIFT
int, n >VAL EXT:259 X

ASHIFT performs a 16 -bit arithmetic shift on \(\underline{i n t}\), shifting it left \(\underline{n}\) bits if \(\underline{n}\) is positive, and right the absolute value of \(\underline{n}\) bits if \(\underline{n}\) is negative. In an arithmetic shift, the sign bit is propagated on rightward shifts, meaning that a negative number stays negative.

\subsection*{3.5 General Predicates}

EQUAL? \(\arg 1:\) any, arg2: any, arg3:any, arg4:any /PRED 20P:1,EXT:193
Is arg1 equal to any one of \(\arg 2\), \(\arg 3\), or \(\arg 4\) ? Note that this instruction differs from the usual \(2 \mathrm{OP} / \mathrm{EXT} \overline{\text { format }}\) in that in the extended form, EQUAL? can take more than two operands. The motivation here was to provide a short (2OP) form for the most common use of this instruction, which would otherwise use EXT format.

Is arg equal to zero?

\subsection*{3.6 Object Operations}

Objects have six pieces of information associated with them that may be accessed using the following commands.

In code, references to objects will consume a single byte if the object number of the object is 255 or less, and a word otherwise.

Object number zero is a special-case pseudo-object used where an object-pointer slot is empty.

In EZIP/XZIP, each object contains 48 1-bit flags, arranged as three words, and numbered from left to right, 0 to 47 (not the usual numbering scheme in this document).
There is also a string of text, which is the short description referenced by PRINTD.
Three slots in an object contain numbers of other objects. Each of these slots is a word. These numbers are used to link objects together in a hierarchical structure. The LOC slot contains the number of the object that this object is contained in. All objects contained in a particular object are chained together in an arbitrary order via the NEXT slot. The FIRST slot contains the number of the first object that this object contains, which is the first object in the NEXT chain.

MOVE thing:obj,dest:obj 20P : 14

Put thing into dest. If thing wasn't already in dest, it should become the first object in dest. I.e., \(\overline{\operatorname{FIRST}}\) (dest) should be EQUAL? to thing after the MOVE.

\section*{REMOVE obj}

10P: 137
Removes obj. This means that the FIRST-NEXT chain it is a part of is relinked to no longer reference \(\overline{\text { obj }}\).
In terms of the actual code: If \(\operatorname{FIRST}(\mathrm{LOC}(\mathrm{obj}))\) equals obj, then \(\operatorname{NEXT}(\underline{o b j})=i \operatorname{FIRST}(\mathrm{LOC}(\underline{\mathrm{obj}}))\). Otherwise, the FIRST-NEXT chain of LOC (obj) is searched to find an object (sib) for which \(\operatorname{NEXT}(\underline{\text { sib }})\) equals obj. When that is found, \(\operatorname{NEXT}(\underline{o b j})=i \operatorname{NEXT}(\underline{\text { sib }})\). Naturally, NEXT(obj) may be zero.

Finally, the LOC, FIRST, and NEXT slots of obj are zeroed.
```

FSET? obj,flag /PRED
20P : 10

```

Is this flag number set in obj?
```

FSET obj,flag

Set flag in obj.

FCLEAR obj,flag
Clear flag in obj.

LOC obj >VAL
10P: 131
Return container of obj, zero if none.

FIRST? obj >VAL /PRED
10P: 130
Return "first" slot of obj. Fails if none (equals zero) and returns zero.

NEXT? obj >VAL /PRED
10P : 129
Returns "next" slot of obj. Fails if none (equals zero) and returns zero.

IN? child:obj,parent:obj /PRED
20P : 6
Is child contained in parent? More precisely, is the LOC of child equal to parent?

GETP obj, prop >VAL 20P:17
Returns specified property of obj. If obj has no property prop, returns prop'th element of default property table.

PUTP obj,prop,any
EXT:227
Changes value of obj's property prop to any. Error if obj does not have that property.

Returns the number of the property following prop in obj. Error if no property prop exists in obj. Returns zero if prop is last property. Given prop equal to zero, returns first property (i.e. is circular).

### 3.7 Table Operations

Tables are in fact only a useful logical concept and have no physical form in the Z-machine. (However the assembler, ZAP, does "know" about tables.) Table pointers are simply bytepointers to appropriate locations in the Z program.

Since ZIP assumes nothing about tables, these pointers may be arithmetically manipulated or even randomly generated (if the programmer finds that useful). Note that manipulating arbitrary program locations constitutes "taking the back off" and voids the warranty. The development ZIP, using a symbol table provided by ZAP, will check table references for validity (i.e., make sure references to table offsets are within the table bounds, but nondevelopment interpreters are not expected to do this.

Note that tables must all fall within the low 64 K of the game's locations, as tables are always referenced by a direct byte number.

Offsets in tables are zero-based. The first element of a table is element zero, the second is element 1, and so on.

GET table,item >VAL 20P : 15

Interpreting the table pointed to as a vector of words, returns the item'th element. In other words, returns the word pointed to by item times two plus table.

GETB table, item >VAL 20P : 16

Similar to GET, but assumes a byte table. Returns the byte (converted to a word, of course) pointed to by item plus table.

PUT table,item, any
EXT: 225
Inverse of GET. Sets the word pointed to by any.

PUTB is to GETB as PUT is to GET. Uses only the low-order byte of any. Error if the high-order byte is non-zero.

GETPT obj,prop >VAL 20P:18
Gets property table prop from obj. Where GETP can only be used with single byte or single word properties, GETPT can be used with properties of any length. It returns a pointer to the property value that may then be used as a table pointer in any other table operation.

PTSIZE table >VAL
10P: 132
Given a property table pointer as may be obtained from GETPT, returns the length of this "table" in bytes. Guaranteed to return a meaningless value if given any other kind of table.

```
INTBL? item,tbl,len:int >VAL /PRED
INTBL? item,tbl,len:int,recspec:int >VAL /PRED
```

EXT: 247
EXT:247 X

Tests whether item is an element of the tbl which contains len word-oriented elements. If so, it returns a pointer to that location within tbl in which item first appears (i.e. a GET of INTBL?'s returned value and zero would return item). If not, it returns zero. NOTE: This is also a predicate instruction.

In XZIP, INTBL? is given an optional fourth argument, the recspec, or record specification. This is a byte whose high bit determines whether INTBL? is comparing words (high bit 1) or bytes (high bit 0), and whose low seven bits are the record length in bytes. If not supplied or zero, defaults to 130 . ( 202 octal, 82 hex) which is equivalent to the current usage of INTBL?. Len must not be less than zero.

Note that the len argument is now interpreted as the number of records to search, rather than the number of words. As an example, to search an input buffer for a specific character, one would invoke

```
GETB INBUF,1 >LEN
ADD INBUF,2 >TMP
INTBL? CHR,TMP,LEN,1 >VAL /PRED
```

This expansion of INTBL? makes it possible to search tables of alternating keys and values, a case which is relatively common. For example, to search a lexical buffer for a specific word, we use a record length of four:

```
GETB LEXV,1 >LEN
ADD LEXV,2 >TMP
INTBL? WRD,TMP,LEN,132 >VAL /PRED
```

Copies elements of source into dest until length bytes have been copied.
If dest is zero, means to zero length bytes of source.
If length is positive, copies length bytes from source to dest. In this case, the interpreter checks for overlap of source and dest. They overlap if source is less than dest and source + length is greater than dest. If overlap occurs, COPYT performs a "backwards" copy. This means that it copies from

```
source+length-1 to dest+length-1
source+length-2 to dest+length-2
etc.
```

until it has copied length bytes. Thus, a table can be copied to itself, leaving room for new elements at the beginning, non-destructively.

If length is negative, COPYT does not check for overlap, and always copies forwards. This allows some clever tricks. For example, if a number of bytes are placed in source, and source is copied to itself offset by that number of bytes, then the bytes will be duplicated in source until the length runs out. This can be used to zero a table or copy the same elements into many slots of one.

### 3.8 Variable Operations

A variable, as used in the following instructions, differs from a variable used as an operand. The latter is evaluated to get the actual value of the operand. In contrast, these variables are identified by the already evaluated operands. This allows for the possibility, for example, that one variable may "point" to another variable to be used.

These variable identifiers are interpreted almost as variables are during operand decoding except in regards to the stack, where no pushing or popping occurs:

```
var interpretation
0 use the current top-of-stack slot
1-15 use local variable #1-15
16-255 use global variable #16-255
```

VALUE var >VAL 10P: 142

Returns the value of var.

Sets the specified variable to any.

ASSIGNED? opt:var /PRED
ASSIGNED? is true if an optional argument was supplied. It is similar to MDL ASSIGNED?, but not as general.

ASSIGNED? must work even if there has been a call out of a function. Therefore, the number of arguments (not locals!) passed to a function must be stored as part of the frame, and restored when the called function returns to the caller.

## PUSH any

EXT: 232
Pushes any onto the stack.

## POP var

EXT: 233
Pops the top word off the stack and puts it into var. Note that "POP 'STACK" will have the effect of flushing the next to the top word of the stack.

## INC var

10P : 133
Increments the value of var by one.

DEC var
10P: 134
Decrements the value of var by one.

IGRTR? var, int /PRED 20P:5
Increments the value of var by one and succeeds if the new value is greater than int.

Decrements the value of var by one and succeeds if the new value is less than int.

### 3.9 I/O Operations

EZIP requires minimum terminal capabilities for I/O operations. These include upper \& lowercase, 80 -column width, and at least 14 lines in length.

XZIP relaxes the 80 -column width restriction, allowing any width between 60 and 80 columns.
Because line lengths may vary, it is up to the particular implementation of ZIP to insure that the line length is not exceeded on output. In general a Z-language program will only output a newline character in cases where a line must be terminated. Most text strings will contain only spaces.

ZIP maintains a line-length output buffer. Printing occurs and the buffer is emptied when a newline character is output by the program or when the line is filled. In the latter case, the line is broken at the last space, with the remainder being moved to the beginning of the next line. The buffer is also printed and emptied before each READ and INPUT operation (without going to the next line, if possible). When, between calls to READ or INPUT, the output in the text screen (screen 0 ) has filled the text area, a [MORE] prompt will be printed. A character will be read from the terminal before additional output is printed.

READ inbuf:tbl,lexv:tbl,time:int,handler:fcn
READ inbuf:tbl,lexv:tbl,time:int,handler:fcn $>\mathrm{VAL}$

EXT: 228

READ is significantly different between EZIP and XZIP.
The first phase of READ is the same in all three ZIPs. It prints and empties the output buffer, zeroes the "more" counter, and reads a line of input. Inbuf is the buffer used to store the characters read. The first byte (read-only) of this table contains the length of the rest of the buffer where the input string is stored. All uppercase characters must be converted to lowercase before READ is finished. This enables the program to reprint words from the buffer without being concerned about case.

In XZIP, the second byte of inbuf is used to store the number of characters read. It also is used to tell READ where in the buffer to start putting new characters read. If a completely new buffer is to be read (the normal case, and the only case in EZIP) then the second byte of inbuf should be zeroed before READ is called.

Also, in XZIP READ returns a value, which is the terminating character that stopped the READ. This value is not stored in inbuf. This will be one of the characters in the newly defined TCHARS word. TCHARS points to a TABLE of bytes which are characters which should terminate input. The TCHARS table terminates with a zero byte. A line-feed is always a terminating character, whether it appears in the table or not. If the character 255.
appears in the TCHARS table, it means that all function keys (keys with values greater than 127.) are terminators.

If scripting is on, the input buffer is sent to the script file only if the terminating character is a carriage return. This prevents extra copies of an input line being sent when function keys are used. (Note that the protocol for this may change at some future date, probably by the addition of a "suspend scripting" command.)

Lexv is used to store results of parsing the contents of inbuf. The first byte (read-only) of this table specifies the maximum number of words (of text, not machine words) that may be stored here. The second byte is used by READ to report the number of words actually read. The rest of the table consists of four-byte entries.

In XZIP, if the lexv argument is zero, the input accumulated by READ is not parsed. It is possible for READ to be executed, return a terminal character, the program perform some action based on that character, and then execute READ again, and so on until a full line of input is specified.

READ will fill each lexv entry with three items. First is a 16-bit byte-pointer to the word entry in the vocabulary table, zero if not found. Next is a byte giving the word length as typed (number of ASCII characters). Last is a byte giving the byte-offset of the beginning of the word in the buffer table. (Because of the length byte, the first character in the buffer is at offset 1 in EZIP, offset 2 in XZIP.) These last two values are used by the program in conjunction with PRINTC to reprint words. This part of READ may be invoked separately in XZIP as the LEX instruction.

READ reads text until it encounters a newline character (or any character in the TCHARS table in XZIP). If the buffer is full, the correct action would be to ring the bell when additional characters are typed. Other actions (like an assumed newline) are considered inferior implementations and should be avoided where possible. Words may be separated by standard break characters (space, tab, etc.) or by self-inserting break characters (usually comma, period, etc.). The self-inserting characters for a given program are specified in the vocabulary table (Chapter 4). Each of these characters not only separates words but is also considered a word itself and may be found in the vocabulary word list.

When parsing a word, it must first be converted to Z string format (Chapter 4) after case conversion, if any. It should be truncated to 9 (5-bit) bytes to fit into three machine words to match the vocabulary table entries. (Note that as in all Z strings, the high-order bit of the last (third) word will be on.) This may actually correspond to less than 9 ASCII characters. If the encoded word is less than 9 bytes, it should be padded with the pad character (5). The words in the vocabulary table are usually sorted to facilitate a binary search. This part of READ may be called separately in XZIP as the ZWSTR instruction.

The optional arguments time and handler are used to implement timed input. The optional arguments to the INPUT instruction work analogously. The first specifies the time to wait before timing out in 10ths of a second. The second specifies a routine to CALL (internally!) when the timeout occurs. If this routine returns true (1), the input operation (READ/INPUT) is aborted. If it returns false (0), the input operation continues where it
left off. Note: The intention is that the timeout routine will be short so as not to grossly interfere with the player's input.

LEX inbuf:tbl,lexv:tbl,lexicon:tbl,preserve:bool EXT:251 X
Tokenizes and looks up an input buffer's contents. The first two arguments are exactly as for READ. The third argument, if not supplied, is the normal vocabulary list. If supplied, it is an additional vocabulary list.

Note that LEX is exactly like the parsing phase of READ. This means that if an additional vocabulary list is used on an input buffer that contains only words from the normal vocabulary list, it will not find them and thus will zero their slots in the lexv.

For this reason an additional argument, preserve is defined for LEX. If supplied and non-zero, it means that the lexv slots for words not found are not to be touched. Using this argument, several successive vocabulary lists can be applied to the same input buffer.

```
ZWSTR inbuf:tbl,inlen:int,inbeg:int,zword:tbl EXT:252 X
```

Takes an input buffer pointer, the length of the word being converted, the character offset in the buffer of the start of the word, and a pointer to a table with at least six bytes that can be clobbered. It would also be possible to pass a RESTed inbuf and no inbeg, but this form of ZWSTR duplicates the format of a lexical buffer and is therefore preferable. ZWSTR expects the word to be terminated by one of the usual break characters, so the inlen argument is not actually needed. It is included for possible future uses. A zero byte is an acceptable break character.

The ZWSTR instruction converts the "word" contained in the buffer into a ZWORD and places the conversion in the first three words of the table.

INPUT dev:int,time:int2,handler:fcn
EXT:246
This returns a single input from the device specified by dev. The only defined device is the keyboard (code $=1$ ) and the instruction returns the ASCII code for the next key pressed.

In EZIP, keys which do not have a single ASCII value are ignored, with the following exceptions (assuming that these keys exist on the target machine):

```
up-arrow return 14
down-arrow return 13
left-arrow return 11
right-arrow return 7
```

In XZIP, there is a different implementation of function keys. Function keys produce values greater than 127., that is, they have the high bit of a byte turned on. Initially, there are defined twelve function keys, four arrow keys, and two "mouse clicks".

In XZIP, function keys are accepted by both the INPUT and READ instructions.

| up-arrow | return 129 |
| :--- | :--- |
| down-arrow | return 130 |
| left-arrow | return 131 |
| right-arrow | return 132 |
| keys F1-F12 | return $133-144$ |
| keypad keys 0-9 | return 145-154 |
| mouse double click | return 253 |
| mouse single click | return 254 |

On the VT100 family of machines (used with ZIP20) the keypad keys return values from 133. to 150 ., so that games can simulate function keys.

Note that any number of additional function keys may be defined, tailored to each machine.
The optional arguments are like those for the READ instruction and are discussed in detail there. As with the READ instruction, INPUT should clear the output buffer (if output is buffered) and zero the "more" counter.

USL
00P:188
Updates the status line now instead of waiting for the next READ. This instruction is useful only in ZIP, but has not been removed in EZIP or XZIP, although some implementations treat it as an error.

EZIP and XZIP must handle their own status lines.

PRINTC int
EXT:229
Prints the character whose ASCII value is int.

PRINTN int
EXT:230
Prints int as a signed number.

PRINT str 10P: 141

Prints the string pointed to by str times four. The multiplication is necessary because str in this instruction is a quad-pointer, guaranteed to point to a string that has been quad-aligned.

Like PRINT, but str here is an ordinary byte-pointer, most commonly a vocabulary table entry.

PRINTD obj
10P:138
Prints the short description of obj.

PRINTI (in-line string) 00P:178
Prints an immediate string. Interpreted as a 0-operation instruction but immediately followed by a standard string (as opposed to a string-pointer).

PRINTR (in-line string) 00P:179
Like PRINTI but executes a CRLF followed by an RTRUE after printing the string.

CRLF
00P: 187
Prints an end-of-line sequence (carriage-return/line-feed in ASCII).

PRINTT bytes:tbl,width:int,height:int,skip:int EXT:254 X
PRINTT takes a table of bytes, a width (a number of columns) and optionally a height (a number of lines), which is assumed to be one if omitted. It also optionally takes a skip, which is how many bytes of a table to skip over at the end of each line (by default, none).

It prints, in a block at the current cursor position, bytes from the table. Each group of width bytes is printed on a separate line aligned with the first, until height lines have been printed. Each time width bytes have been printed, skip bytes are skipped over. The skip parameter allows a rectangular block of text from anywhere within a rectangular table (one where the rows are stored) to be printed.

PRINTT with a height greater than one may only be used in screen 1.

## SPLIT height:int

EXT:234
In EZIP, if MODE bit 0 (ESPLIT) is zero, this operation is ignored. In XZIP, this operation must be implemented.

SPLIT divides the screen into two windows: \#1 occupies height lines, preferably at the top of the screen, and $\# 0$ occupies the remainder of the screen. If height is zero, this operation
restores the normal screen format. Window \#1 is special in that it never scrolls; if the program outputs characters beyond the right-hand margin, they are not displayed.
For example, under normal circumstances, the SPLIT opcode should cause no visible changes on the screen. However, when the cursor position in screen 0 is within the area which will become screen 1 , the cursor should be moved to the top and left of the new screen 0 .

SCREEN screen:int
EXT: 235
In EZIP, if MODE bit 0 (ESPLIT) is zero, this operation is ignored. In XZIP, this operation must be implemented.

SCREEN causes subsequent screen output to fall into window \#screen.
In EZIP, if screen is 1, the output cursor is moved to the upper left-hand corner; if screen is 0 , the output cursor is restored to its previous position. When moving from screen 0 to screen 1, the buffer should have previously been printed and emptied if buffering is on.

In XZIP, when either screen is departed, the position in that screen is remembered, and when the screen is reentered, it is restored. When screen 1 is first selected after a SPLIT instruction, the cursor moves to the top and left of screen 1.

Output to screen 1 is not sent to the printer.
This operation is ignored if the screen is not split, or if screen is not zero or one.

## CLEAR screen:int

EXT: 237
In EZIP, if MODE bit 0 (ESPLIT) is zero, this operation is ignored. In XZIP, this operation must be implemented.

If screen is 1 or 0 , CLEAR clears window \#screen. If screen is -1 , it unsplits the screen (if it has been split) and clears the entire screen. Other values for screen are ignored.

When a screen is cleared, the cursor moves to the top and left of that screen. In XZIP, the screen is cleared to the current background color.

ERASE int EXT:238

In EZIP, if MODE bit 4 (ECURS) is zero, this operation is ignored. In XZIP, this operation must be implemented.

ERASE erases the line on which the cursor lies, according to int. If int is 1 , it erases from the cursor to the end of the line. There are no other legal values for int at the present time. In XZIP, the ERASEd area should be colored the background color.

In EZIP, if MODE bit 0 (ESPLIT) is zero, this operation is ignored. In XZIP, this operation must be implemented.

CURSET moves the cursor to line $\# \underline{y}$, column $\# \underline{x}$ in screen 1 .
In EZIP, this operation is illegal if the screen is not split or if screen 0 is active. CURSET is also illegal in EZIP if output is buffered (i.e. the BUFOUT instruction has not been used with a zero argument).

In XZIP, the arguments to CURSET are in pixels rather than lines and characters. The upper left corner of the screen is the origin, and is referred to as 1,1 .

If there are no variable width fonts or pictures on a particular micro, the XZIP may be implemented as though characters were one pixel wide and one pixel high.

In XZIP, CURSET must output any buffered output before actually moving the cursor. The requirement that buffering be turned off before CURSET is executed is removed.

```
CURGET
CURGET output:tbl
```

    EXT:240
    EXT:240 X

In EZIP, this is not currently implemented, although the operation is reserved.
In XZIP, returns information about the current cursor position. It is passed an output table which must have the first two words free to write in. CURGET writes the y position in the word 0 of the table, and the x position in word 1 of the table. The positions are as for CURSET.

HLIGHT int
EXT:241
HLIGHT sets the display highlighting mode for all subsequent output. Some machines may not be able to do all highlighting modes, and MODE bits 1 (EHINV), 2 (EHBLD), and 3 (EHUND) determine which are available. If the appropriate option bit in the mode byte is zero, HLIGHT is ignored. Otherwise, it is interpreted as follows:

```
0 - no highlight
1 - inverse video
2 - bold
4 - underline or italic at the interpreter's discretion.
8 - monospaced font (XZIP only)
```

Note that the codes are set up as powers-of-two. This is intentional, but it is NOT required at this time that the interpreter handle combination highlights (bold + italic).
A note regarding the "monospace" highlight. It either selects a monospaced font if one is available, or modifies the screen display of a variable width font so that it appears
monospaced.
If the intent of using monospacing is to do something like tabs (i.e., go to some point on the screen and then print stuff), then CURSET and a variable width font are better. Use of the monospace highlight mode should be reserved for cases (like the Translucent Maze in Enchanter) where all of the columns must line up.

FONT font:int >VAL

## EXT:260 X

Selects a particular font for the currently selected window, and returns the number of the previously selected font. If the new font cannot be selected for some reason, returns 0 . The font should be remembered for that window until it is explicitly changed. Font 1 is the "normal" font for the machine in question, and it is selected initially for both screen windows. The interpreter is responsible for updating the FWRD parameter word whenever the font changes.

FONT prints and empties the output buffer.
It should be possible to change fonts many times, even during a line or word of output.
In ZIP20, in addition to the normal font (1), and the picture font (2), font 3 is the VT100 character graphics set.

COLOR fore:int, back:int 20P:27 X

In XZIP, if MODE bit 0 (XCOLOR) is zero, this operation is ignored. In EZIP, this operation does not exist.

COLOR causes the foreground color of all subsequently displayed text to be fore, and the background color to be back.

COLOR prints and empties the output buffer.
The screen data word CLRWRD contains the system default colors. The background color in the first byte and the foreground color in the second byte.

The values of fore and back are interpreted as follows (the colors are those for the IBM-PC):

```
0 = no change
1 = system default color
2 = black
3 = red
4 = green
5 = yellow
6 = blue
7 = magenta
8 = cyan
9 = white
```

Note that the colors available may vary from machine to machine. We have to decide on either a set of colors common to all machines, or admit that the set will vary in each interpreter. Also, not all machines can handle this many colors.

On the Atari ST, XZIP uses:

- medium res
- any 4 colors, selected at runtime
- 640 ( 80 cols) x 200

The CLEAR opcode is defined to clear the window(s) to the background color specified by the last COLOR opcode, and the ERASE opcode similarly to erase to the background color.

Games should allow for primitive machines (Apple IIs, Macs and the 20) that don't have color. Machines with monochrome display options should ask the player whether he or she wants color.

### 3.10 Static Graphics

The current EZIP specification requires host machines to emulate the 80-column alphanumeric display of a VT100. It does not exploit or even acknowledge the bitmap displays employed by most EZIP micros. The following additions allow XZIP game designers to take advantage of some of this lost potential.

### 3.10.1 Pictures

Pictures are not necessarily included in the virtual address space of the game, and may be stored in machine-dependent ways. It is the job of the interpreter to map between picture references in the game and picture storage of whatever sort.

```
DISPLAY picture:int,x:int,y:int
EXT:261 X
```

A picture is a number that indexes into the "picture library."
DISPLAY displays a picture at the location ( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}$ ) (specified in pixels). The location given is where the upper left corner of the picture should appear. The upper left corner of the screen is the location 1,1 .

If the x or y argument is not supplied or 0 , then the current x or y position in the current window is used.

If (and only if) both x and y are omitted, DISPLAY updates the cursor position in the window in which the picture is displayed. In this case, the new cursor position will be the upper right of the picture displayed. In other words, the x position is updated by the width
of the character, and the y position is unchanged. Consequently, passing a single argument is very similar to displaying the picture as though it was a character.

If DISPLAY is used in this mode, the picture displayed should be treated like a character (the one with the same ascii value as the picture's picture number) for purposes of scripting the output. However, pictures DISPLAYed with explicit location arguments are not scripted.
It is expected that in normal use, pictures that are "like characters" will be displayed primarily in window 0 , and pictures that are "like pictures" will be displayed primarily in window 1.

PICINF picture:int,data:tbl /PRED EXT:262 X

PICINF is used to get data about a picture. The interpreter fills in the table data with the width (word 0) and height (word 1) of the picture specified, in pixels. It is up to the interpreter to determine from the picture image itself the width and height of the picture.

Since zero is not a legal picture id, if the picture argument to PICINF is zero, then the highest picture id in the picture library will be returned in word 0 of the data table. This will be equivalent to the number of pictures in the library if all ids are used, but there is no requirement that this be the case.
If the picture number given is not a legitimate picture number, PICINF returns false. Note that DISPLAY and DCLEAR give errors in this situation!

See the section 4.7 for an example specification of how pictures are stored.

DCLEAR picture:int, $\mathrm{x}:$ int,y:int EXT:263 X
Clears the area taken up by the picture. I.e., restores the screen background color.
There should probably be some pictures defined that would be used only for DCLEAR, such as a picture of the whole screen.
*Note: If possible, we should define DISPLAY to save the previous contents of the area overwritten by the new picture. If so, then a DCLEAR should restore the overwritten area. There may have to be a limit on how large a picture could be saved this way, and how long to remember it. (It may be impossible to do this on some machines.)

### 3.10.2 Interaction of Pictures and Fonts

The "picture library" is a selection of images which are referenceable using small integers as an index. In this way, a picture library is very much like a font. In a font, the images are characters, and in a picture library they are pictures. Consequently, font 2 is defined to be the picture library. If FONT 2 is executed, subsequent character output to the screen is displayed from the picture library. If there is no picture library, then FONT 2 is a no-op.
*Note: Do pictures need a way of saying that the horizontal and vertical position shouldn't change when they are displayed?

### 3.10.3 Changing Margins

MARGIN left:int,right:int EXT:264 X
Sets left margin and right margin in pixels. Left and right are the width of the margins, not the locations of the margins, so both are initially 0 . The margins are stored by MARGIN in the LMRG and RMRG words.

MARGIN can only be executed in screen 0 (since only screen 0 has text folding). It must be executed before any text has been buffered for the current line, and moves the cursor to the new left margin on the current line.

If there is a non-zero left margin, clearing screen zero should position the cursor at the left margin of the top line of screen 0 .

The margin is used to control insets (as for the proposed "Illuminated Text Adventure").

### 3.10.4 Carriage Return Interrupt

Two new words, CRCNT and CRFUNC, are defined. Before the interpreter outputs a carriage return, it checks CRCNT, and if it is non-zero, decrements it. If CRCNT reaches zero after such an operation, the contents of CRFUNC are called as a function address. This feature can be used to set up indenting around pictures.

### 3.11 Misc. I/O Operations

## BUFOUT int

EXT: 242
Determines whether or not output is line-buffered. If int is 1 (the normal case), output is buffered a line at a time so that line breaks can be planned for. If int is 0 , all currently buffered output is sent to the screen, and all future output is sent to the screen as it is generated.

The "line position" counter should NOT be cleared when a BUFOUT of 0 is performed. In this way, when buffered output is re-enabled, line position is not lost.

In EZIP, disabling buffered output MUST be performed prior to using the CURSET opcode.
Note: Output redirected to a TABLE (see next instruction) is not buffered.

In XZIP, the interactions between buffering and certain opcodes are slightly different, so BUFOUT is not as necessary. The CURSET, SCREEN, ERASE, CLEAR and COLOR opcodes output any buffered text to the screen before performing any other action. Any future opcodes defined which may change screen appearance will also be defined to output buffered text as their first action.

Depending on how SPLIT, CURGET, DIROUT, FONT and HLIGHT are implemented in a particular interpreter, they may also want to output buffered text. In some implementations, they will not need to, as for example HLIGHT in ZIP20 is implemented by placing highlighting characters in the output stream. In an interpreter where HLIGHT is done by a system call (one meaning "future output is underlined,") it should output the buffer first.

## DIROUT device:int,any1, any2, any3

EXT:243
Selects or deselects a virtual output device according to device. Each virtual device is assigned a code, and the game indicates its desire to select or deselect that device by passing a first argument of device or minus device, respectively.

Device 1 is the screen and is the default output device. It can be shut off by passing -1 to DIROUT.

Device 2 is the transcript device. (This interface replaces the ZIP method of setting a bit in the mode word.) It sends a transcript of player input and all output in screen 0 to a transcript, which may be a file, a printer, or any appropriate device. Transcripting is terminated when device 2 is deselected. When the interpreter is transcripting, it should set bit 0 (FSCRI) in the FLAGS word.

Note that if the screen device is off and the transcript device is on, output goes to the transcript device anyway. In this way, text can be placed in the transcript without it having to appear on the screen. This is useful for copying screen 1 output to the transcript.

Note that in XZIP, the existence of a resumable READ instruction implies that the input buffer read by READ may need to be output manually, or the script file will end up with a copy of the input buffer each time READ returns.

Device 3 is the table output device. It directs output to the TABLE specified as any1. Each character to be printed is PUTB'd into the TABLE starting at TABLE+2. When a carriage-return line-feed is printed, a 13 (hex $\$ 0 \mathrm{D}$ ) is placed in the table. When deselected, the number of characters placed into the TABLE will be PUT into the 0'th element of TABLE. Output redirected to a TABLE is not buffered. When the table device is selected, all other devices are ignored until it is deselected.

Device 4 is the command recording device. It creates a command file which consists of the commands input to the game via READ and INPUT. The file is closed when device 4 is deselected. Note that this device is currently optional. An interpreter which does not handle this device should ignore the request for selection and deselection.

Redirects input according to device.
Device 0 is the keyboard (this is the default case).
Device 1 is a command file (such as use of DIROUT 4 might produce). Input is received from the command file (this need not be implemented on all interpreters, but might be useful for running scripts).

No other values of int are legal at this time.

```
SOUND int EXT:245
SOUND id:int,op:int
EXT:245 (X)
```

If the appropriate bit in the mode byte is zero, this operation is ignored. Otherwise, produce the sound specified by int.

In EZIP, the following sounds are defined:

```
1 - beep (equivalent of a morse code dot)
2 - boop (equivalent of a morse code dash)
```

In XZIP (and the Amiga version of ZIP), a new sound specification exists. SOUND takes the same sound-identifier argument as before, but adds a sound-operation argument as well. Currently, there are only three operations defined:

```
\frac{op}{1}}\quad\frac{\mathrm{ meaning}}{\mathrm{ initialize specified sound}
2 start specified sound
3 stop specified sound
4 clean up buffers from specified sound
```

If the sound-id is 1 or 2 (beep and boop), the op is ignored. If the sound-id is 0 , the last sound-id specified is used. If no op is supplied, op 2 (start) is assumed.

### 3.12 Control Operations

CALL fcn, any1, any2, any3 >VAL
EXT: 224
Begins execution of the function (see Chapter 4) pointed to by fcn times four, supplying it with any arguments given in the CALL instruction. Note that fcn is a quad-pointer and functions are always quad-aligned. See RETURN for the method of returning from this instruction.

If fcn equals zero, the CALL is special. In this case, it ignores its other arguments (except for the value specifier) and acts as if it had called a function that did an immediate RFALSE.

CALL1 fcn >VAL
10P:136
Same as CALL, but a 1-op.

CALL2 fcn, any >VAL 20P:25

Same as CALL, but a 2-op.

XCALL fcn, any1, any2, any3, any4, any5, any6, any7 >VAL EXT:236

Same as CALL, but with 4-7 arguments supplied. This instruction is never invoked with fewer than 4 arguments.

ICALL1 routine:fcn 10P:143 X

ICALL2 routine:fcn,arg1:any 20P:26 X

ICALL routine:fcn, arg1:any, arg2: any, arg3:any EXT:249 X

IXCALL routine:fcn,arg1,... EXT:250 X

In XZIP, there are versions of the CALL instructions which do not return a value. ICALL, ICALL1, ICALL2, and IXCALL are defined exactly as their counterparts CALL, etc., except that they do not return anything. The return byte is therefore omitted. These opcode are generated by the compiler when it notices that the value of a routine is unused. This has the advantage of reducing stack usage and limiting stack overflows.

Note that the interpreter must remember that a valueless call was executed, and this information must be immediately saved as part of the routine's state information.

RETURN any
10P: 139
Causes the most recently executed CALL to return any and continues execution at the next sequential instruction after that CALL.

Does a "RETURN 1," where 1 is commonly interpreted by Z programs as "true."

RFALSE 00P:177

Does a "RETURN 0 ," where 0 is commonly interpreted by Z programs as "false."

```
CATCH >VAL OOP:185 X
THROW any,frame
20P:28 X
```

CATCH returns a pointer (called a frame) to the call to the current routine. THROW returns any from a frame. It is as though the routine in which the CATCH was done returned any. $\overline{\text { The frame should be one that is still "alive," meaning that when the THROW is executed, }}$ it is in a routine called (directly or indirectly) by the routine that did the CATCH.

CATCH and THROW are not defined to work within "internal" calls, such as the timeout handling routine that can be called by READ or INPUT.

Note that the opcode for CATCH recycles the former opcode for FSTACK.

JUMP loc
10P : 140
An unconditional relative branch to the location of the next sequential instruction plus loc minus two (for compatibility with predicates). Note that unlike the predicate argument, this is a full twos-complement word.

RSTACK OOP: 184

Does a "RETURN STACK," thereby returning from a CALL and taking the value from the (old) top of the stack.

FSTACK 00P:185

Flushes the top value off the stack. This instruction does not exist in XZIP, as no-value CALLs eliminate the need for it.

NOOP
00P: 180
No operation, equivalent to a "JUMP 2."

### 3.13 Game Commands

```
SAVE >VAL
00P:181
SAVE start:tbl,length:int,name:tbl >VAL EXT:256 X
```

In EZIP, writes the "impure" part of the game to disk in some recoverable format. The seed for RANDOM should not be saved or restored so that multiple RESTOREs from the same SAVEd game will not necessarily lead to the same results. Other details of the user interface are left to the discretion of the implementor.

In XZIP, SAVE (and RESTORE) may be used as atomic i/o operations.
SAVE writes a section of the impure area. The length argument is the length of the save area in bytes.

The name argument is a one-byte count of bytes in the name, followed by that number of bytes of name. It is the game's unique name for the file being created. RESTORE should check that the name is the same in the file being restored as the RESTORE's name argument. If it is not, it is an error.

It is expected that the player will be called upon to supply a file name or number or whatever. This may well be the same as the name argument on machines with file systems, but need not be. It is recommended that the name argument be displayed or used as a default when the player is consulted, however.

SAVE returns a value as before. It returns zero if it failed, 1 after SAVE, and 2 after RESTORE (as RESTORE merely causes a SAVE to "return again").

In high-level terms, the game saves or restores a TABLE or a group of contiguous tables. Some additions may be needed to ZIL/ZILCH to force a set of tables to be compiled contiguously.

```
RESTORE >VAL OOP:182
RESTORE start:tbl,length:int,name:tbl >VAL EXT:257 X
```

In EZIP, recovers a previously SAVEd game and continues execution after the SAVE. If the RESTORE fails, execution should continue (if possible) after the RESTORE in the original game with the instruction failing.

In XZIP, RESTORE may be used as an atomic i/o operation. RESTORE reads a section of the impure area.

See SAVE for details about the other arguments.
RESTORE returns the number of bytes read if called with three arguments ("partial RESTORE"), returns zero if it fails, and otherwise doesn't return (the SAVE "returns again").

This instruction copies the impure area to a reserved part of RAM where it can be copied back by the IRESTORE command. It returns 0 if it fails or -1 if the instruction is not implemented on the machine.

ISAVE and IRESTORE, in combination, allow an UNDO command to be implemented.

```
IRESTORE >VAL
EXT:266
```

This instruction causes the saved copy of the impure area to be copied back to the impure area, and thus is a single level UNDO command. It returns 0 if it fails or if the instruction is not implemented on the machine. If an ISAVE has never been executed successfully, IRESTORE should return 0 .

VERIFY /PRED
00P: 189
Verifies the correctness of the game program stored on disk by comparing the 16 -bit sum of the bytes in the program, from byte 64 to byte PLENTH*4-1, with PCHKSM. Note that for the preloaded area, the unmodified pages on the disk should be used rather than the pages in RAM

ORIGINAL? /PRED
OOP: 191
Returns non-false if the game disk is the original. Implementation is unspecified.

RESTART
00P: 183
Reinitializes the game, reloads the preload area from disk, and generally acts as if it had just been started.

QUIT
00P: 186
The game should die peacefully.

## Chapter 4

## ZIP Data Structure

### 4.1 Program Structure

A Z-language program begins with the following words (those marked with a * are writeable by game code, the others may only be read):

| word | name | used for |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | ZVERSION | version of Z-machine used |
| 1 | ZORKID | version of game |
| 2 | ENDLOD | beginning of non-preloaded code |
| 3 | START | location where execution begins |
| 4 | VOCAB | points to vocabulary table |
| 5 | OBJECT | points to object table |
| 6 | GLOBALS | points to global variable table |
| 7 | PURBOT | beginning of pure code |
| 8 | *FLAGS | 16 game-settable flags |
| 9 | SERIAL | serial number - 6 bytes |
| 12 | FWORDS | points to fwords table |
| 13 | PLENTH | length of program (in quads) |
| 14 | PCHKSM | checksum of all bytes |
| 15 | INTWRD | interpreter identification word |
| 16 | SCRWRD | screen parameters word |

(the following words are XZIP-only)

| 17 | HWRD | width of display in pixels |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 18 | VWRD | height of display in pixels |
| 19 | FWRD | one byte font height, one font width |
| 20 | LMRG | left margin in pixels |
| 21 | RMRG | right margin in pixels |



ZVERSION is interpreted as two bytes, VERSION and MODE. All games produced in XZIP will have a Z-machine version byte of 5; EZIP games will have a version byte of 4; ZIP games will have a version byte of 3 . Combined XZIP/EZIP/ZIP interpreters will need to have this information, of course. The mode byte contains eight option bits which vary considerably between EZIP and XZIP.

```
bit # name EZIP interpretation
0 %ESPLIT SPLIT/SCREEN/CLEAR available (0 = no)
1 %EHINV Inverse video available (0 = no)
2 %EHBLD Bold available (0 = no)
3 %EHUND Italic/underline available (0 = no)
% %ECURS CURSET/CURGET available (0 = no)
% %ESOUN SOUND available (0 = no)
6 reserved
7 reserved
bit # name XZIP interpretation
% %XCOLOR COLOR operation available (0 = no)
```

```
% %DISPL DISPLAY operation available (0 = no)
2 %XBOLD Bold available (0 = no)
3 %XUNDE Italic/underline available (0 = no)
% %XMONO Monospace style available (0 = no)
5 %XSOUN SOUND available (0 = no)
6 reserved
7 reserved
```

Note that this byte is set by either a loader for a particular machine or the interpreter at start-up time.

ZORKID is the version of the game. This is what is usually printed by a game as the "release number."

ENDLOD is a particularly significant pointer. A typical Z-machine has a limited amount of primary memory available. Therefore programs are arranged so that most data/code can remain on disk during execution. All locations below ENDLOD must be preloaded in RAM. These include all modifiable locations in the program. (Attempts to modify other locations should cause an error.) If more memory is available, any or all of the rest of the program may be preloaded.

Due to restrictions on the number of bits available in pointers, the maximum size of a program is 256 k bytes. All modifiable data, including anything that a byte-pointer might point to, will be below 64 k in this address space. All major tables (VOCAB, OBJECT, etc.) are guaranteed to be below ENDLOD.

FLAGS word is used to hold game-settable flags that control various interpreter options:

| bit \# | name |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| interpretation |  |  |
| 0 | \%FSCRI | interpreter currently transcripting |
| 1 | \%FFIXE | fixed-width font needed (EZIP) |
| 2 | \%FSTAT | request for status line refresh |
| 3 | \%FDISP | game uses display operations |
| 4 | \%FUNDO | game uses UNDO |
| 5 | \%FMOUS | game uses mouse |
| 6 | \%FCOLO | game uses colors |
| $7-15$ |  | reserved |

Bit \#1 (\%FFIXE, EZIP only) should be checked by every "printing" operation before actually doing any output. If it is on, the output must appear in a type face with all characters the same width, since the game is making a crude picture with the characters.

Bit \#2 (\%FSTAT) should be set by the interpreter whenever, in its opinion, the status line area has become damaged or is suspect (perhaps due to target machine operating system intervention). The game is responsible for refreshing the status line area (if any) and will also clear this bit when the refresh is completed.

Bit \#3 (\%FDISP) should be set at compile time by games which will be using the display
and graphics operations, such as DISPLAY, DCLEAR, and FONT. This is because some interpreters will choose to be in a "graphics" mode if these operations are used, and a "text" mode otherwise. If the game chooses to be in graphics mode, and the interpreter cannot support graphics mode, it clears this bit at initialization time.

Bit \#4 (\%FUNDO) should be set at compile time by games which will try to use ISAVE and IRESTORE. The interpreter should examine this bit in marginal memory size cases to determine how many swapping pages to allocate.

Bit \#5 (\%FMOUS) should be set by games which use the mouse.
Bit \#6 (\%FCOLO) should be set by games which will be using color (through the COLOR operation). Some interpreters (currently only the Amiga) will examine \%FCOLO at startup, since they have to allocate extra memory for the display RAM if color is needed. In any case, \%XCOLOR in the MODE byte will be set or cleared depending on whether the interpreter supports the COLOR operation.

SERIAL is a six-character ASCII string intended to uniquely identify each copy of a game. This string was to be inserted when each distribution disk is created and read by the game program when executed. In practice, it contains the date the release of the game was compiled.

PLENTH and PCHKSM are both used by the VERIFY operation. PCHKSM is the 16 -bit sum of all bytes from 64 (decimal) to PLENTH*4-1.

INTWRD is composed of 2 bytes, called INTID and INTVR. The high byte is the interpreter id, an integer unique for a given interpreter. Currently assigned intids include:

| machine | id \# |
| :--- | :--- |
| DECSystem-20 | 1 |
| Apple IIe | 2 |
| Macintosh | 3 |
| Amiga | 4 |
| Atari ST | 5 |
| IBM PC | 6 |
| Commodore 128 | 7 |
| Commodore 64 | 8 |
| Apple IIc | 9 |
| Apple IIgs | 10 |

The low byte is the interpreter version identifier, an ASCII character which identifies the release of the given interpreter. By convention, these are letters of the alphabet starting with A. This word is set by the interpreter upon initialization.

SCRWRD is composed of 2 bytes, called SCRV and SCRH. SCRV indicates the number of lines available on the screen ( 255 meaning a printing terminal), and SCRH indicates the number of characters on a line. This word is set by the interpreter upon initialization.

HWRD indicates the width of the screen in pixels.

VWRD indicates the height of the screen in pixels.
FWRD consists of two bytes, called FNTV and FNTH. FNTV is the vertical size of the current font, in pixels. FNTH is the horizontal size of the the current font (in a variable width font this would be the size of a digit character).

LMRG contains the left margin (initially 0) in pixels, as set by MARGIN.
RMRG contains the right margin (initially 0 ) in pixels, as set by MARGIN.
CLRWRD consists of a high byte which gives the default screen background color, and a low byte which give the default screen foreground color.

TCHARS is a pointer to a byte table (whose address must be below ENDLOD) terminated by a zero byte. It is used by READ to decide which input characters to terminate on. The bytes contain the characters to terminate on. An end-of-line always terminates, whether it is explicitly in the table or not. A 255 in the table indicates that all function keys terminate.

CRCNT, if non-zero, is decremented whenever a CRLF is output.
CRFUNC is called when CRCNT reaches zero.
CHRSET is used to define the printing character set. It is not currently implemented in any XZIP. This word points to a table of 78 bytes. The first 26 characters in it form character set 0 , the second character set 1 , and the third character set 2 . All other characters would be represented using the ascii escape sequence. Space is defined to be in all character sets.

EXTAB, if non-zero, is a pointer to an LTABLE containing any of the remaining words that are used, if any.

MSLOCX, when a mouse operation occurs, will contain the X coordinate of the mouse, in pixels. Mouse single and double clicks are the only mouse operations supported.

MSLOCY, when a mouse operation occurs, will contain the Y coordinate of the mouse, in pixels.

MSETBL contains bits which are set to indicate that the game has changed one of the mouse menu tables.

MSEDIR contains a pointer to the mouse direction menu.
MSEINV contains a pointer to the mouse inventory menu.
MSEVRB contains a pointer to the mouse frequent verbs menu.
MSEWRD contains a pointer to the mouse frequent words menu.
BUTTON contains a pointer to the function which will handle button events.
JOYSTICK contains a pointer to the function which will handle joystick events.
BSTAT contains the state of the buttons.
JSTAT contains the state of the joystick.

### 4.2 Global Table

This table contains a one-word slot for each global that will be used by the program with its starting value. Note that the first slot (pointed to by GLOBALS) corresponds to variable number 16.

Some ZIP interpreters implement a status line, which is a reserved line on the screen that constantly displays status information about the game (updated before each READ or at each USL). To provide the required information, the first three globals are predefined. Global 16 contains the object number of the current room, which can be used with PRINTD to get its short description. In a score-oriented game (see ZVERSION mode-byte), global 17 contains the number of moves that have been made in the game and global 18 contains the current score. In a time-oriented game, they are minutes and hours, respectively. These two numbers and the string may be printed in any convenient order along with any other desired information.

### 4.3 Object Table

The first 63 words of the object table form the default property table. This contains values that will be returned by GETP when the corresponding property numbers (1 through 63) are not found in a specified object.

The rest of the table contains the objects themselves, numbered sequentially from 1 to the total number of objects. An object is formatted as follows:

```
byte value
0-1 first flag word, flags 0-15
2-3 second flag word, flags 16-31
4-5 third flag word, flags 32-47
6-7 LOC slot
8-9 NEXT slot
10-11 FIRST slot
12-13 property table pointer
```

The property table pointer points to another table associated with this object:

```
number of words in short description (1 byte)
short description string
property identifier (1 or 2 bytes)
property value (1-64 bytes)
.
.
property identifier
```

```
property value
```

0
There may be from 0 to 63 property pairs. Each property identifier has the property number in the low-order 6 bits. The high-order bit, if set, indicates that there are more than 2 bytes in the property value, in which case the following byte will have the two high bits set and the low-order 6 bits will be the length of the property value. Otherwise, the second-high bit ( 64 bit ) will be on for a length of 2 bytes, off for a length of 1 byte. For searching efficiency, the properties are sorted in inverse order by property number. [Note: The two high bits are set in the extended property length byte so that PTSIZE can be implemented properly. Otherwise, it would be impossible to interpret the byte preceding the start of the property value.]

### 4.4 Vocabulary Table

This table contains the words that will be understood by READ (or LEX), other information for READ, and, optionally, some game-defined information ignored by ZIP:

```
number of self-inserting break characters (1 byte)
character #1 (1 ASCII byte)
.
.
character #n
number of bytes in each entry (1 byte)
number of entries (words) in vocabulary
word #1 (6-byte string)
extra entry bytes for word #1
word #m
extra entry bytes for word #m
```

In XZIP, only the main vocabulary table (the one pointed to by VOCAB) will be looked at to find the self-inserting break characters. Other vocabularies should contain 0 as the count of self-inserting breaks.

The format for number of entries in the lexicon determines whether the lexicon is sorted. If the number of entries is positive, then the lexicon is sorted. Otherwise, the lexicon is unsorted, and contains the absolute value of the number given entries.

Words are truncated or padded to cause them to fit into 6 bytes. READ performs the same function, so comparisons work. Words in the vocabulary table are sorted according to this 6 -byte value.

### 4.5 String Format

For maximum storage efficiency, text is encoded in 5-bit byte strings. Characters are packed into 16 -bit words from left-to-right (high-to-low), skipping the high-order bit. Only the last word in each string has the high-order bit set. If the last word is not filled, it is padded with the standard pad character (5), which conveniently doesn't print anything.

The 5 -bit code actually encompasses three different character sets: 0,1 , and 2 . At any instant during string interpretation (printing) there is a particular permanent mode. A temporary mode can also exist for one character at a time. Each character read is interpreted in terms of the temporary character set if there is one, and otherwise the permanent character set.

The first 6 values are universal over all character sets. 0 means space. 1, 2, or 3 means to use one of the special words (see below). 4 and 5 are shift characters. Each permanently or temporarily changes the character set to one of the other two:

|  | New Character Set (P=perm, T=temp) |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0ld C.S. | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{5}$ |
| 0 | 1 T | 2 T |
| 1 | 1 P | 0 P |
| 2 | 0 P | 2 P |

Assuming that the CHRSET word is zero (as it always is in current usage), the character sets are as follows:

In character set 0,6 through 31 represent $\underline{a}$ through $\underline{z}$. In character set 1 , they represent $\underline{A}$ through $\underline{Z}$. In character set 2,6 means that the ASCII value specified by the following two bytes, high-order byte first, should be used. 7 represents a new-line character (carriagereturn line-feed combination in ASCII). 8 through 31 represent $\underline{0}$ through $\underline{9}$, period, comma, $!, ?, \quad, \#, ', ", /, \backslash,-,:,($, and $)$.

At the beginning of each string, the initial permanent character set should be 0 , with no temporary mode selected. The encoding algorithm used to create the string also specifies that whenever the current character to be encoded is not in the current permanent character set, the following character is examined. If there is a following character (i.e. not at end of string) and that character is in the same set as the current one, a permanent shift is used. Otherwise a temporary shift is used.

### 4.5.1 The Frequent Words Table

The frequent words table, pointed to by FWORDS and below ENDLOD (a pure table), contains 96 quad-pointers to ordinary strings. These strings represent frequently used substrings (usually words) within other strings. Whenever a 1,2 , or 3 byte is encountered in a string that is being decoded, the following byte is used as a word-offset into the FWORDS table to select one of the string pointers. The first, second, or third group of 32 words in the
table is used, according to whether the initial byte was 1,2 , or 3 , respectively. The string interpreter routine is recursively called to handle this new string. When done it returns to continue handling the original string.

Note that the substring is treated as a complete self-contained string. This means that it starts in permanent character set 0 , with no temporary set. In the original string, the permanent set is retained across the call to the substring. (Of course, there will be no temporary character set to remember.) The substrings in the FWORDS table are guaranteed not to contain fwords themselves. Therefore, the string interpreter routine need not necessarily be totally reentrant.

### 4.6 Functions

A function is a subroutine that is accessed via the CALL and RETURN mechanism. It may optionally have up to 15 local variables, up to 3 of which may be set by the CALL instruction ( 7 with the XCALL instruction).
A function may be preloaded or disk-resident (or both). It begins on a quad-boundary. The first byte specifies the number of local variables to be used by the function (0 to 15).

In EZIP, this byte is followed by one word for each such variable giving its initial or default value. Up to seven of the local variables may be initialized to values supplied in the CALL instruction instead of these. Note that this format allows for optional arguments, but only if the default value of the optional argument is a constant.

In XZIP all locals are initialized to zero by default, and there are no value words. Any local not initialized to zero (in the higher-level ZIL code) will be set up in the body of the function. Any optional arguments with non-zero default values are expected to use ASSIGNED? (q.v.) to determine whether to use the default values.

The value words are followed by the first instruction to be executed when the function is called. Execution will continue from that point until a RETURN is executed.

Information that must be preserved over functions calls include the values of local variables in calling functions, the state of the stack when the call was performed, the number of arguments passed to the calling routine, and whether the calling routine is expected to return a value.

### 4.7 Graphic Data Files

This is one specification for the format of an XZIP graphic data file. It is not intended to be mandatory, but rather an example of how to store graphic data.
Graphic data can be either pictures, or an alternate character set. An alternate character set is a special case of a picture set: all entries are the same size. Some micro OSes may
provide support for alternate characters without switching into graphics mode.

### 4.7.1 Picture Library Header

The file header format consists of 16 words of general information.

| word | name | interpretation |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | GCOUNT | number of picture/character defs in file |
| 1 | GOFF | offset of the initial p./c. |
| 2 | GSIZE | zero, or size of alternate characters |
| 3 | GFLAGS | special picture library information <br> $4-15$ |

GOFF allows alternate character reference numbers to start higher than zero (at 32, for example).

GSIZE, if zero, indicates that the file is a picture library, rather than a character set. If non-zero, the first byte is the width in bits of each character, the second byte is the height in bits.

GFLAGS permits 16 special purpose flags. Currently, only bit 0 is defined. If set, the interpreter is to display the first entry in the picture library while the rest of the game is loading.

### 4.7.2 Picture Library Data

If the file is of alternate characters (in other words, if the file is a font definition), the rest of the file contains the character definitions.

If the file is a picture file, there are two or three tables, each containing picture information.
Size table. Contains GCOUNT two-word entries. The first (XPIC) word of each entry is the width in bits of the corresponding picture. The second (YPIC) word is the height in bits of the same picture. Two zeroes is a legal entry, and means that the corresponding picture is not present.

Name table. Contains GCOUNT twelve-byte entries. Currently, the DOS filenames of the corresponding pictures.

Index table. Currently absent, would contain GCOUNT four-byte entries. Byte offset, from the beginning of the file, of the corresponding picture data.

Picture data. The remainder of the file is picture data. If XPIC for a picture is not a multiple of sixteen, the LSBs of the last word in each row will be skipped over. In other words, the bits in a row always begin at the beginning of a word. @newpage

### 4.8 Differences Between ZIP and EZIP

The major differences between ZIP and EZIP have to do with supporting a large address space for games, and with expanding the numbers of objects, properties, and flags in a game.

Some of the more important features of ZIP:

- A maximum program size of 128 K bytes.
- A maximum of 255 objects. All object references are one byte. The length of an object is nine bytes.
- A maximum of 32 flag bits.
- A maximum of 32 properties.
- Vocabulary words contain only the first 6 characters of the word.
- Functions may be passed a maximum of 3 arguments.
- Functions and global strings must fall on word boundaries, and are referenced by a word address.
- The status line's appearance is embedded in the interpreter, and only two types of status line exist; a "score" status line and a "time" status line.
- There is no screen control, except for two opcodes, SPLIT and SCREEN.


### 4.9 ZIP Opcode Summary

What follows is an alphabetically arranged list of all ZIP opcodes. Note that some opcode names appear twice, as they differ significantly between EZIP and XZIP. In such cases, the XZIP version of the opcode is followed by an $\underline{X}$.

```
ADD arg1:int,arg2:int >VAL
ASHIFT int,n >VAL
ASSIGNED? opt:var /PRED
BAND arg1:word,arg2:word >VAL
BCOM arg:word >VAL
BCOM arg:word >VAL
BOR arg1:word,arg2:word >VAL
BTST arg1:word,arg2:word /PRED
BUFOUT int
CALL fcn,any1,any2,any3 >VAL
CALL1 fcn >VAL
CALL2 fcn,any >VAL
CATCH >VAL
CLEAR screen:int
COLOR fore:int,back:int
COPYT source:tbl,dest:tbl,length:int
CRLF
CURGET
CURGET output:tbl
CURSET y:int,x:int
DEC var
DIRIN device:int,any1,any2,any3
DIROUT device:int,any1,any2,any3
DIV arg1:int,arg2:int >VAL
DLESS? var,int /PRED
EQUAL? arg1:any,arg2:any,arg3:any,arg4:any /PRED
ERASE int
EXTOP opcode:int
FCLEAR obj,flag
FIRST? obj >VAL /PRED 10P:130
FONT font:int >VAL
FSET obj,flag
FSET? obj,flag /PRED
FSTACK
GET table,item >VAL
GETB table,item >VAL
GETP obj,prop >VAL
GETPT obj,prop >VAL
GRTR? arg1:int,arg2:int /PRED
```

20P:20
EXT:259 X
EXT:255 X
20P:9
10P:143
10P:248 X
20P:8
20P:7
EXT:242
EXT:224
10P:136
20P:25
00P:185 X
EXT:237
20P:27 X
EXT:253 X
00P:187
EXT:240
EXT:240 X
EXT:239
10P:134
EXT:244
EXT:243
20P:23
20P:4
20P:1,EXT:193
EXT:238
00P:190 X
20P:12
10P: 130
EXT:260 X
20P:11
20P: 10
00P:185
20P:15
20P: 16
20P:17
20P:18
20P:3

| HLIGHT int | EXT:241 |
| :---: | :---: |
| ICALL routine:fcn, arg1: any,arg2: any, arg3: any | EXT:249 X |
| ICALL1 routine:fcn | 10P:143 X |
| ICALL2 routine:fcn, arg1:any | 20P:26 X |
| IGRTR? var,int /PRED | 20P:5 |
| IN? child:obj,parent:obj /PRED | 20P:6 |
| INC var | 10P:133 |
| INPUT dev:int,int2, ficn | EXT: 246 |
| INTBL? item, tbl,len:int >VAL /PRED | EXT:247 |
| INTBL? item,tbl,len:int,recspec:int >VAL /PRED | EXT:247 X |
| IRESTORE >VAL | EXT:266 |
| ISAVE >VAL | EXT:265 |
| IXCALL routine:fcn, arg1, | EXT:250 X |
| JUMP loc | 10P:140 |
| LESS? arg1:int,arg2:int /PRED | 20P:2 |
| LEX inbuf:tbl,lexv:tbl,lexicon:tbl, preserve:bool | EXT:251 X |
| LOC obj >VAL | 10P:131 |
| MOD arg1:int,arg2:int >VAL | 20P: 24 |
| MOVE thing:obj,dest:obj | 20P:14 |
| MUL arg1:int,arg2:int >VAL | 20P:22 |
| NEXT? obj >VAL /PRED | 10P : 129 |
| NEXTP obj,prop >VAL | 20P:19 |
| ORIGINAL? /PRED | OOP : 191 |
| POP var | EXT: 233 |
| PRINT str | 10P:141 |
| PRINTB str | 10P:135 |
| PRINTC int | EXT: 229 |
| PRINTD obj | 10P:138 |
| PRINTN int | EXT:230 |
| PRINTR (in-line string) | 00P: 179 |
| PRINTT bytes:tbl,width:int,height:int | EXT:254 X |
| PTSIZE table >VAL | 10P:132 |
| PUSH any | EXT: 232 |
| PUT table,item, any | EXT:225 |
| PUTB table,item, any | EXT:226 |
| PUTP obj,prop,any | EXT:227 |
| QUIT | 00P:186 |
| RANDOM arg:int >VAL | EXT: 231 |
| READ inbuf:tbl,lexv:tbl, time:int,handler:fcn >VAL | EXT:228 X |
| READ inbuf:tbl,lexv:tbl,time:int,handler:fcn | EXT:228 |
| REMOVE arg:obj | 10P:137 |
| RESTART | 00P:183 |
| RESTORE >VAL | 00P: 182 |
| RESTORE start:int,length:int, name:tbl >VAL | EXT:257 X |
| RETURN any | 10P:139 |


| RFALSE | 00P: 177 |
| :---: | :---: |
| RSTACK | OOP : 184 |
| RTRUE | 00P: 176 |
| SAVE >VAL | OOP: 181 |
| SAVE start:int,length:int, name:tbl >VAL | EXT:256 X |
| SCREEN screen:int | EXT:235 |
| SET var, any | 20P:13 |
| SHIFT int, n >VAL | EXT:258 X |
| SOUND int | EXT:245 |
| SPLIT height:int | EXT:234 |
| THROW any,frame | 20P:28 X |
| USL | OOP:188 |
| VALUE var >VAL | 10P:142 |
| VERIFY /PRED | 00P:189 |
| XCALL fon, any1, any2, any3, any4, any5, any6, any7 >VAL | EXT:236 |
| ZERO? arg:any /PRED | 10P:128 |
| ZWSTR inbuf:tbl,inlen:int,inbeg:int,zword:tbl | EXT:252 X |

### 4.10 Opcode Differences, EZIP vs. XZIP

The following XZIP opcodes are changed from their EZIP definitions or newly defined in XZIP.
changed opcodes

READ inbuf:tbl,lexv:tbl,time:int,handler:fcn >VAL
EXT:228
HLIGHT monospace:8
EXT:241
CURSET y:int,x:int
CURGET output:tbl
SCREEN screen:int
EXT:239

ERASE op:int
CLEAR screen:int
EXT:240
EXT:235
EXT:238

SAVE start:int,length:int,name:tbl >VAL EXT:256
RESTORE start:int,length:int, name:tbl >VAL EXT:257
INTBL? item,tbl,len:int,recspec:int >VAL /PRED EXT:247
new opcodes

opcode changed and recycled

