## **DELPHI - BNF**

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start= program | unit | library | package .
 identifier_list= ID_NAME { ',' ID_NAME } .
 unit_qualified_identifier= ID_NAME { '.' ID_NAME } .
 type_name= TYPE_NAME | STRING | FILE .
 unit_qualified_type_name= type_name [ '.' type_name ] .
 function_result_type= type_name .
 constant_expression= F.
 string_expression= ( STRING_NAME | STRING_LITTERAL )
   { '+' ( STRING_NAME | STRING_LITTERAL ) } .
 variable_access= ( ACCESS_NAME | STRING ) { end_access_ } .
  end_access_ = { array_access_ | record_access_ | '^' | function_parameters_ } .
   array_access_= '[' constant_expression { ',' constant_expression } ']' .
   record_access_= '.' variable_access .
   function_parameters_= '(' [ constant_expression { ',' constant_expression } ] ')' .
 set_factor= '[' [ set_element { ',' set_element } ] ']' .
  set_element= constant_expression [ '..' constant_expression ] .
 constant_expression= simple_expression__ [ ('=' | '<>' | '<' | '<=' | '>' | '>=' | IN )
   simple_expression___].
  simple_expression__ = [ '+' | '-' ] term__ { ('+' | '-' | OR | XOR ) term__ } .
   term__ = factor__ { ('*' | '/' | DIV | MOD | AND | SHR | SHL ) factor__ } .
     factor__ = NUMBER | STRING_LITTERAL | NIL
       | variable_access
       | NOT factor__ | '@' factor__ | set_factor
       | '^' NAME
       | '(' constant_expression ')'.
 typed_constant= simple_expression_ [ ('=' | '<>' | '<' | '<=' | '>' | '>=' | IN )
   simple_expression_].
  simple_expression_= [ '+' | '-' ] term_ { ('+' | '-' | OR | XOR ) term_ } .
   term_= factor_ { ('*' | '/' | DIV | MOD | AND | SHR | SHL ) factor_ } .
     factor_= NUMBER | STRING_LITTERAL | NIL
       // -- id or field "(f1: v1; f2: v2)"
       | variable_access [ ':' typed_constant
          { ';' variable_access ':' typed_constant } ]
       | NOT factor_ | '@' factor_
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I'A' NAME
      | '(' [ typed_constant_] ')'
      | set_factor .
    // -- array "(1, 2, 3)" or "fn(p1, p2")
    typed_constant_= typed_constant { ',' typed_constant } .
formal_parameters= '(' formal_parameter { ';' formal_parameter } ')' .
 formal_parameter= [ parameter | var_parameter
   | const_parameter | out_parameter | in_parameter ] .
  parameter_name_list= PARAMETER_NAME { ',' PARAMETER_NAME } .
  array_or_name_type= ARRAY OF ( CONST | unit_qualified_type_name )
    | unit_qualified_type_name .
  parameter= parameter_name_list ':' array_or_name_type
    ['=' constant_expression ] .
  var_parameter= VAR parameter_name_list [ ':' array_or_name_type ] .
  const_parameter= CONST parameter_name_list
    [ ':' array_or_name_type ['=' constant_expression ] ] .
  out_parameter= OUT parameter_name_list [ ':' array_or_name_type ] .
  in_parameter= IN parameter .
dos_directives= NEAR | FAR | EXPORT | ASSEMBLER .
calling_directives= CDECL | PASCAL | REGISTER | SAFECALL | STDCALL .
overload_directive= OVERLOAD .
method_directives= ABSTRACT | VIRTUAL | DYNAMIC
   | OVERRIDE | REINTRODUCE | MESSAGE constant_expression .
const_type_var_declarations= constant_definitions | resource_defintions
  | type_definitions | variable_declarations .
 type= keyed_types | type_0.
  // -- called by i_type
  enumeration_type= '(' identifier_list ')' .
  expression_t= simple_expression_t
    [ ( ('=' | '<>' | '<=' | '>' | '>=' | IN ) simple_expression_t
      | '..' end_range_type ) ] .
   simple\_expression\_t = [ '+' | '-' ] term\_t { ('+' | '-' | OR | XOR ) term\_t } .
    term_t= factor_t { ('*' | '/' | DIV | MOD | AND | SHR | SHL ) factor_t } .
      factor_t= NUMBER | STRING_LITTERAL | NIL
        | variable_access
        | NOT factor_t | '@' factor_t
        | '^' NAME
        | '(' expression_t ')'
        | set_factor .
   end_range_type= simple_expression_t .
  type_0= ( NUMBER | STRING_LITTERAL | NIL | NOT | '+' | '-' | '@' | '(' | '[' | NAME )
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$i type.
 keyed types= string_type | structured_type | pointer_type | procedural_type .
  // -- handle STRING as array[index type]
  string_type= STRING [ '[' constant_expression ']' ] .
  structured_type= [ PACKED ] ( array_type | record_type | set_type | file_type ).
   array_type= ARRAY [ '[' index_type { ',' index_type } ']' ] OF type .
     index_type= constant_expression [ '...' constant_expression ] .
   record type= RECORD field list END.
     field_list= { common_field ';' } [ variant_fields ] .
      common field= identifier list ':' type .
      variant_fields= CASE tag OF cases { cases } .
       tag= VARIANT_TAG_NAME [ ':' unit_qualified_type_name ] .
       cases= constant_expression { ',' constant_expression }
          ':' one case.
        one_case= '(' [ common_field { ';' [ ( common_field | variant_fields ) ] }
                 | variant_fields ]
              ')'[';'].
   set type= SET OF type.
   file_type= FILE [ OF type ] .
  pointer type= '^' POINTED_NAME.
  procedural type= ( PROCEDURE [ formal parameters ]
       | FUNCTION [ formal_parameters ] ':' function_result_type )
     $<dir( [ OF OBJECT ] | i_procedural_type_directives ) $>dir .
   procedural type directives= calling directives .
   i_procedural_type_directives= ( ';'
      | CDECL | PASCAL | REGISTER | SAFECALL | STDCALL ) $i directives.
constant definitions= CONST constant definition { constant definition } .
 constant_definition= CONST_NAME [ ':' type ] '=' typed_constant ';' .
resource definitions= RESOURCESTRING resource definition { resource definition } .
 resource definition= RESOURCE NAME '=' string expression ';' .
type_definitions= TYPE type_definition { type_definition } .
 type_definition= TYPE_NAME '=' [ TYPE ] ( class_type | interface_type | type ) ';' .
  // -- used in INTERFACE also
  property= PROPERTY $>priv PROPERTY_NAME [ property_type ] property_specifiers .
   property_type= [ property_indexes ] ':' unit_qualified_type_name .
    property_indexes= '[' property_index { ';' property_index } ']' .
      property index= [ CONST ] INDEX_NAME { ',' INDEX_NAME }
        ':' unit_qualified_type_name .
   property specifiers= $prop [INDEX constant expression]$>prop
      // -- "READ FTabSize.Y"
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$$prop [ READ variable access | READONLY ]
     [ WRITE WRITE_NAME | WRITEONLY ] $>prop
   // -- some params called "dispid"
   $$prop [ DISPID constant expression ] [ ':' ] $>prop
   $prop { storage_specifier [';' ] } $>prop
   [IMPLEMENTS unit qualified identifier { ',' unit qualified identifier } ';' ].
 storage specifier= storage stored | storage default | storage no default .
  storage stored= STORED [constant expression].
  storage default= DEFAULT [ constant expression ] .
  storage no default= NODEFAULT.
// -- the ; is in the type definitions
class type= CLASS [ class reference | class definition ] .
 class_reference= OF unit_qualified_type_name .
 // -- class definition : can be foward with inheritance
 class_definition= [ inheritance ] [ class_body ] .
  inheritance= '(' unit_qualified_type_name { ',' unit_qualified_type_name } ')' .
  class body= fields and procs section { fields and procs section } END .
   fields_and_procs_section= $<priv protection fields_and_procs $>priv.
    protection= [ PRIVATE | PROTECTED | PUBLIC | PUBLISHED ] .
    fields_and_procs= { class_field } { class_methods | property $<priv } .</pre>
      class_field= identifier_list $>priv ':' type ';' $<priv .
      class methods= constructor | destructor |
        [CLASS] ( class procedure | class function ).
       method_directives_= $<dir
         { (method directives | overload directive | calling directives)
         [';']} $>dir.
       // -- if interfaces : "FUNCTION i xxx.yyy = zzz;"
       rename_method= '.' NAME '=' NAME ';' .
       constructor= CONSTRUCTOR $>priv PR_NAME [ formal_parameters ] ';'
        method directives $<priv.
       destructor= DESTRUCTOR $>priv PR NAME [formal parameters]';'
        method_directives_ $<priv .
       class procedure= PROCEDURE $>priv PR NAME
        ( rename_method | [ formal_parameters ] ';'
         method directives ) $<priv.
       class_function= FUNCTION $>priv FN_NAME
        ( rename method | [ formal_parameters ] ':' function_result_type ';'
         method_directives_ ) $<priv .
interface type= (INTERFACE | DISPINTERFACE ) [interface definition].
 interface_definition= [ interface_heritage] [interface_g_u_i_d ]
   interface member list END.
  interface heritage= '(' identifier list ')' .
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interface_g_u_i_d= '[' string_expression ']' .
      interface_member_list= { class_procedure_ | class_function_ | property } .
       interface directives = $<dir
            { (method_directives | overload_directive | calling_directives | dispid )
            [';']}$>dir.
         dispid= DISPID constant_expression .
       // -- redefinition "PROCEDURE x.y= z;" (axctrls)
       class_procedure_= ( PROCEDURE | CONSTRUCTOR | DESTRUCTOR )
          PR_NAME [ formal_parameters ] ';' interface_directives_ .
       class function = FUNCTION FN NAME [formal parameters]':' function result type
          interface_directives_.
 variable_declarations= (THREADVAR | VAR) variable_declaration { variable_declaration } .
  // -- has separated in 2 because of initialization
  // -- absolute can be after a list, but not with initialization
  variable declaration= ID NAME
     (':' type ['=' typed constant | absolute ]';'
     | { ',' ID_NAME } ':' type [ absolute ] ';' ) .
    absolute= ABSOLUTE OTHER_VAR_NAME .
// -- code
expression= simple expression [ ('=' | '<>' | '<' | '<=' | '>' | '>=' | IN | IS )
  simple_expression].
 simple_expression= [ '+' | '-' ] term { ('+' | '-' | OR | XOR ) term } .
  term= factor { ('*' | '/' | DIV | MOD | AND | SHR | SHL ) factor } .
   // -- called by $i access or expression
   // -- can be empty if fn call "fn()"
   parenthized_expression= '(' [ expression { ',' expression } ] ')' .
    factor= NUMBER | STRING_LITTERAL | NIL
      | NOT factor | '@' factor | INHERITED [ factor ]
      | '^' NAME
      | set factor
      // -- x= (Sender AS tButton). Caption
      // -- the AS is only for the level 0
      | ( NAME | STRING ) { parenthized_expression | end_access }
      | parenthized expression { end access } .
     end_access= { array_access | record_access | '^' | as_access } .
      array_access= '[' expression { ',' expression } ']' .
      record access= '.' expression .
      as_access= AS NAME .
// -- instructions
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asm= ASM { asm_statement } END .
 // -- for pasting in i_asm
 asm_statement_ = { NAME | NUMBER | STRING_LITTERAL
   1717171717
   1':'
   | '+' | '-' | '*' | '/'
   | NOT | AND | OR | XOR | SHR | SHL | DIV } .
 label_= '@' [ '@'] ( ALL_NAME | NUMBER ) .
 asm statement= ( NAME | NUMBER | STRING_LITTERAL
   1"|"|"|"|;
   | '@'
   1':'
   | '+' | '-' | '*' | '/'
   | NOT | AND | OR | XOR | SHR | SHL | DIV ) $i_asm .
composed instruction= F.
// -- allows empty ";" instruction
instruction_list= [ instruction ] { ';' [ instruction ] } .
 instruction= { assignment_or_call | structured_instruction } .
  // -- this covers "x[3].z:= u;" or "my proc(3+ zz)";
  // -- acces or (pchar+ 1)^ := ...
  assignment or call= expression [ end assignment ] .
   // -- "(Sender As tButton). Caption:= xxx"
   end assignment= ':=' expression .
  structured_instruction= composed_instruction | test | repetition | with
     | try | inherited_call | raise_statement | asm .
   test= if | case .
     if= IF expression THEN instruction [ ELSE instruction ] .
     // -- D5: ';' after last instr or before ELSE optional!
     case= CASE expression OF case_element
       { ';' [ ELSE $NOREAD | END $NOREAD | case_element ] }
         [ ELSE instruction_list ] END .
      case element= case label ':' instruction .
       // -- a general constant constant_expression, but no set [],
       // -- unless in a function call
       case label= constant expression
          { (',' constant_expression | '..' constant_expression ) } .
   repetition= while | repeat | for .
     while= WHILE expression DO instruction.
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repeat= REPEAT instruction list UNTIL expression.
      for= FOR unit_qualified_identifier ':=' expression [ TO | DOWNTO ]
        expression DO instruction.
    // -- "with xxx AS"
    with= WITH expression { ',' expression } DO instruction .
    try= TRY instruction list
       ( EXCEPT except block | FINALLY instruction list ) END .
      except block= on [ ELSE instruction list ] | instruction list.
       // -- can have "ON ezero DO ELSE xxx ;" or "ON xxx DO ;"
       on= handle instruction { ';' [ handle instruction ] } .
        exception identifier= unit qualified identifier [ ':' unit qualified identifier ] .
        handle_instruction= ON exception_identifier DO [ instruction ';' ] .
    // -- "Inherited Items[Index]:= "
    inherited call= INHERITED [instruction].
    // inline statement= INLINE '(' INTEGERCONST {'/' INTEGERCONST } ')' .
    raise_statement= $<at RAISE [ variable_access ] [ AT constant_expression ] $>at .
 composed_instruction= BEGIN instruction_list END.
 // -- bloc
 // -- VIRTUAL etc only in CLASS
 routine header= class methods header | constructor header | destructor header
    | procedure_header | function_header .
  // -- methods have no directives in implementation
  class methods header= CLASS (class procedure method | class function method ).
   class procedure method= PROCEDURE CLASS_NAME '.' PR_NAME [
formal_parameters ] ';' .
   // -- repeating the result is optional
   class function method= FUNCTION CLASS_NAME [ '.' FN_NAME ]
      [formal parameters][':' function result type]';'.
  constructor_header= CONSTRUCTOR CLASS_NAME '.' PR_NAME [ formal_parameters ] ';'
  destructor header= DESTRUCTOR CLASS NAME '.' PR NAME [ formal parameters ] ';' .
  // -- always; before directives (for procedural cdecl is without?)
  code_procedure_directives= $<dir { (dos_directives
    | calling directives | overload directive)
    [';']}$>dir.
  procedure header= PROCEDURE
    CLASS_OR_PR_NAME [ '.' PR_NAME ] [ formal_parameters ] ';'
      code_procedure_directives.
  // -- for the functions, STDCALL does not require; "fn xxx: yyy STDCALL;"
  function_header= FUNCTION CLASS_OR_FN_NAME [ '.' FN_NAME ]
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[ formal_parameters ] [ ':' function_result_type ]
   [';'] code_procedure_directives[';'].
bloc = F.
main_declarations= const_type_var_declarations | procedure_declarations_and_body .
 procedure declarations and body= { procedure declaration }.
  procedure declaration= routine header
     $\left \text{ (FORWARD }\right \text{dir | EXTERNAL }\right \text{dir end external | $\right \text{dir bloc } \';'.
   // "procedure xxx; external;"
   // "procedure xxx; external 'xxx';"
   // "procedure xxx; external xxx;"
   // "procedure xxx; external xxx NAME 'MessageBoxA';"
   // "procedure xxx; external xxx 'MessageBoxA' INDEX 31;"
   end_external= [ constant_expression $<index [ index ] $>index ] '.' .
    index= INDEX constant expression.
bloc= { main_declarations } ( composed_instruction | asm ) .
main uses= USES uses in { ',' uses in } ';' .
 uses_in= UNIT_NAME [ IN constant_expression ] .
// -- program / units / library / packages
program= PROGRAM NAME ';' [ main_uses ] bloc '.' .
unit= UNIT UNIT_NAME ';' unit_interface unit_implementation unit_end '.' .
 uses= USES identifier list ';' .
 unit_interface= INTERFACE [ uses ] { const_type_var_declarations | routine_header } .
 unit implementation= IMPLEMENTATION [ uses ] { main declarations } .
 unit end= (BEGIN instruction list | initialization ) END.
  initialization= [ INITIALIZATION instruction_list [ FINALIZATION instruction_list ]] .
library= LIBRARY LIBRARY NAME main uses bloc '.' .
package= PACKAGE PACKAGE NAME ';'
  $<pack [ requires_clause ] [ contains_clause ] $>pack END '.' .
 requires_clause= REQUIRES REQUIRES_NAME {',' REQUIRES_NAME } ';' .
 contains_clause= CONTAINS contains_statement {',' contains_statement } ';'.
  contains statement= CONTAINS_NAME [ IN constant expression ].
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