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(line 207). The order in which symbols are listed in the EXTDEF and EXTREF

Now we are ready to look at how external references are handled by the statements is not significant. assembler. Figure 2.16 shows the generated object code for each statement in the program. Consider first the instruction . 4B100000

RDREC +JSUB CLOOP

The operand (RDREC) is named in the EXTREF statement for the control section, so this is an external reference. The assembler has no idea where the control section containing RDREC will be loaded, so it cannot assemble the address for this instruction. Instead the assembler inserts an address of zero and passes information to the loader, which will cause the proper address to be inserted at load time. The address of RDREC will have no predictable relationship to anything in this control section; therefore relative addressing is not possible. Thus an extended format instruction must be used to provide room for the actual address to be inserted. This is true of any instruction whose operand involves an external reference.

Similarly, the instruction

57900000 BUFFER, X +STCH

makes an external reference to BUFFER. The instruction is assembled using extended format with an address of zero. The x bit is set to 1 to indicate indexed addressing, as specified by the instruction. The statement

000000 BUFEND-BUFFER WORD MAXLEN

is only slightly different. Here the value of the data word to be generated is specified by an expression involving two external references: BUFEND and BUFFER. As before, the assembler stores this value as zero. When the program is loaded, the loader will add to this data area the address of BUFEND and subtract from it the address of BUFFER, which results in the desired value.

Note the difference between the handling of the expression on line 190 and the similar expression on line 107. The symbols BUFEND and BUFFER are defined in the same control section with the EQU statement on line 107. Thus the value of the expression can be calculated immediately by the assembler. This could not be done for line 190; BUFEND and BUFFER are defined in another control section, so their values are unknown at assembly time.

As we can see from the above discussion, the assembler must remember (via entries in SYMTAB) in which control section a symbol is defined. Any attempt to refer to a symbol in another control section must be flagged as an error unless the symbol is identified (using EXTREF) as an external reference The assembler must also allow the same symbol to be used in different control

Line	Loc	Sou	rce staten	nent	Object code
5	0000	COPY	START	0	
6	0000	0022	EXTDEF	BUFFER, BUFEND, LE	ENGTH
			EXTREF	RDREC, WRREC	
7	0000	DIDOM			172027
10	0000	FIRST	STL	RETADR	
15	0003	CLOOP	+JSUB	RDREC	4B100000
20	0007		LDA	LENGTH	032023
25	A000		COMP	#0	290000
	000D		JEQ	ENDFIL	332007
30			+JSUB	WRREC	4B100000
35	0010				3F2FEC
40	0014		J	CLOOP	
45	0017	ENDFIL	LDA	=C'EOF'	032016
50	001A		STA	BUFFER	0F2016
55	001D		LDA	#3	010003
	0020		STA	LENGTH	0F200A
60			+JSUB	WRREC	4B100000
65	0023				
70	0027		J	@RETADR	3E2000
95	002A	RETADR	RESW	1	
100	002D	LENGTH	RESW	1	
_			LTORG		
103	0030	*	=C'EOF'		454F46
		DUBBED		4096	20 22 20
105	0033	BUFFER	RESB	*	
106	1033	BUFEND	EQU		
107	1000	MAXLEN	EQU	BUFEND-BUFFER	
10,					
109	0000	RDREC	CSECT		
110		120			
115	- 1		SUBROU'	TINE TO READ RECOR	RD INTO BUFFER
120					
			EXTREF	BUFFER, LENGTH, B	UFEND
122	0000		CLEAR	X	B410
125	0000		-		В400
130	0002		CLEAR	A	
132	0004		CLEAR	S	B440
133	0006		LDT	MAXLEN	77201F
135	0009	RLOOP	TD	INPUT	E3201B
140	000C		JEQ	RLOOP	332FFA
			RD	INPUT	DB2015
145	000F				A004
150	0012		COMPR	A,S	
155	0014		JEQ	EXIT	332009
160	0017		+STCH	BUFFER,X	57900000
165	001B		TIXR	T	B850
170	001D		JLT	RLOOP	3B2FE9
175		PVTM	+STX	LENGTH	13100000
	0020	EXIT		THINGIN	4F0000
180	0024		RSUB	********	
185	0027	INPUT	BYTE	X'F1' ·	F1
190	0028	MAXLEN	WORD	BUFEND-BUFFER	000000
193	0000	MDDEC	CSECT		
195	0000	WRREC	COECT		A
200	13571	- 3	CIIDDOII	TINE TO WRITE REC	ORD FROM BUFFE
205		5	SUBRUU	TIME TO WRITE REC	ORD TROM BOTTS
		55			
207			EXTREF	LENGTH, BUFFER	
210	0000		CLEAR	X	B410
212	0002		+LDT	LENGTH	77100000
215	0006	WLOOP	TD	=X'05'	E32012
220		WLOOP			332FFA
225	0009		JEQ	WLOOP	
	000C		+LDCH	BUFFER, X	53900000
230	0010		WD	=X'05'	DF2008
235	0013		TIXR	T	B850
240	0015				3B2FEE
245	0013		JLT	WLOOP	
245	UUIX		RSUB		4F0000
255	001B		END	FIRST	

Figure 2.16 Program from Fig. 2.15 with object code.