## 15. BLOCK PREFIXING

The compiler generated coding for a prefixed block is:

- 1. A call on the begin prefixed block (BPB) subroutine.
- 2. In-line coding to evaluate the parameters and store them into the block instance.
- 3. A call on the end prefixed block parameters (EPBPAR) subroutine to indicate end of the parameter evaluation.
- 4. In-line coding for declarations within the block.
- 5. A call on the begin prefixed block return (BPBR) subroutine to indicate the end of the declarations within the block.
- 6. In-line coding for statements within the block.
- 7. A call on the end prefixed block (EPB) subroutine to indicate the end of the prefixed block.

A prefixed block is assumed to have the exit from the block indicated in the prototype.

The static link from this driver is to the block B statically enclosing the prefixed block P.

The reactivation point (pex,drex) for a prefixed block is initially <u>none</u>. It is set by a resume statement or a call on the store collapse.

The procedures in the formal description associated with a prefixed block are:

BPB

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begin prefixed block
BPBR
          begin prefixed block return
EPB
          end prefixed block
EPBPAR
          end prefixed block parameters
procedure BPB (x); ref (prototype) x;
   begin ref (driver) a,y,z;
      comment begin prefixed block;
      z :- new driver (new object(x),CD, none, none, none, true,
                                                    x.level);
      z.rp := z.ob := z.pb := true;
      z.obj.MDP := z;
      a :- CD;
      while not a.rp do a :- a.drex;
      a.pex :- none;
      a.drex :- z;
      if x.nrp \neq 0 then
         begin
            y :- new driver(CD.obj,CD.drp,none,z,none,false,
                                                   CD.level):
            y.con := CD.con;
            y.cdrp :- CD.cdrp;
            CD :- y;
            go to exit
        end else CD :- z;
        DISPLAY[x.level] :- CD.obj;
        DDISPLAY[x.level] :- CD;
      go to x.prefix[0].declare
end BPB;
procedure BPBR;
   go to CD.obj.PP.prefix[0]. statements;
procedure EPB;
   go to CD.obj.PP.prefix[CD.obj.PP.plev-l].inretur;
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procedure EPBPAR;

begin ref (driver) y;

comment end prefixed block parameters;
y :- CD;
CD :- CD.drex;
deletenotice (y);
DISPLAY[CD.level] :- CD.obj;
DDISPLAY[CD.level] :- CD;
go to CD.obj.PP.prefix[0].declare
end EPBPAR;
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