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Base Application

See Application.

BMP = batch message processing

IMS/TM: Programs running asynchronously in batch mode under control of IMS/TM.

Bootstrap Module

A module used to call a program. The bootstrap module provides the environment needed to run the program.

BLOB

A BLOB is a "Binary Large Object", in other words, a very large variable.

BT = BACKOUT TRANSACTION

A Natural statement issued to cancel a database transaction and restore the condition of the data before starting the transaction. See also Transaction and END TRANSACTION (ET).

Buffer Pool

In Natural, this is a storage area used by the Natural nucleus to execute Natural objects (see also object types). When a Natural object is requested for execution, it is read from the system file and placed in the buffer pool, where it can be used by several users simultaneously.