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Foreword

DR Net is a network operating system for the CP/M family of operating systems. Developed for use on any 8086- or 8088-based computer, DR Net allows application programs, without modification, to access remote disk drives, list devices, and queues, as though they were resident facilities. DR Net is also a functional extension of the CP/NET Version 1.2 network operating system for 8080-, 8085-, or Z-80-based systems. Because the two share many system functions, communication between CP/NET Version 1.2 requesters and DR Net servers is supported.

How to use this manual

This manual describes DR Net's interface with programs and processes. Before you use this manual, you should have a thorough understanding of the CP/M-86 and Concurrent CP/M system calls, and their calling conventions. It is not necessary, however, to understand DR Net's interface with the physical network hardware. The hardware interface is transparent to the program.

Section 1 describes how DR Net interacts with the local operating system to create network requesters and servers. Section 1 also explains how communication is managed between these two types of nodes.

Section 2 describes the functions that can be implemented on a remote basis, and presents the implementation notes for functions affected by the network environment.

Section 3 describes DR Net's treatment of local, remote, and network errors.

Section 4 describes the system calls unique to DR Net.

Appendix A lists all of the system calls, and summarize their input parameters and returned values. Appendix B describes the DR Net utilities. Appendix C lists the contents of each network message.

DR Net documentation set

The "DR Net User's Guide" explains the use of the DR Net utilities. This manual also includes an introduction to the computer networks, and a description of the network error messages and what they mean.

The "DR Net System Manager's Guide" describes DR Net configuration considerations, and the system installation utilities.

The "DR Net System Guide" describes DR Net's proprietary and hardwaredependent modules, and their interfaces to local processes, the resident operating system, and the network I/O hardware.

For information on the CP/NET Version 1.2 network operating system, see the "CP/NET Reference Manual".

Conventions used in this manual

The following conventions are used in this manual.

- DR Net utilities are spelled in uppercase. The CMD filetype is assumed after the first textual appearance of a filename.
- Throughout this manual, frequent mention is made to long and short pointers. A long pointer is a double-word value where the first word is the offset, and the second word is the segment address. Short pointers specify an offset.
- The word "map" indicates that a local disk drive, list device, or queue, is replaced by a remote, equivalent resource. For example, "drive B is mapped to drive C" means all system calls to drive B are actually implemented on drive C.
- The word "host" refers to the resident operating system in a network node, as in the expression "host operating system".

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Section 1: DR Net overview

DR Net consists of an invariant module and hardware-dependent Network I/O System (NIOS). The invariant module contains DR Net's interface to its host operating system, and the supporting code for the DR Net system calls. The NIOS contains the interface between the invariant module and the physical network hardware. The two modules are merged together with a system generation utility to create a single DR Net system module. After DR Net has been integrated with its host operating system, it does not affect how system calls are executed, only where they are executed. Furthermore, DR Net is transparent to the calling process.

DR Net's interface with its host operating system can be described as one of two functional roles: a network requester, or a network server. In a requester, the DR Net module is a system-call screener that intercepts disk drive, list device, and queue-related system calls, and initiates transactions over the network. The DR Net server is a process manager that oversees the creation and maintenance of shadow processes for every requester process logged on that server.

The section describes how DR Net screens system calls, and manages shadow processes.

Section 1.1, "DR Net nodes and messages", presents the fundamental information on DR Net node types, network topology, and messages.

Section 1.2, "Requester and server functions", describes the characteristics of, and functions provided by, these different types of network nodes.

Section 1.3, "Network environments", describes DR Net's system-call routing mechanism, and how it is manipulated.

1.1 DR Net nodes and messages

A DR Net network node is any computer system with at least one floppy-disk drive, the CP/M-86 or Concurrent CP/M operating system, and the DR Net network operating system. Network nodes can communicate with each other when the host operating system and DR Net are loaded, and DR Net is attached. DR Net defines two types of network nodes: requesters and servers.

Network transactions are conducted on a resource swapping basis. Each network requester has a resource map that defines which local disk drives, list devices, and queues are mapped to a server. When an application makes a system call to a mapped resource, DR Net traps the call, and sends it to the server indicated in the resource map table. The server then implements the call on the designated resource, and returns the response.

Internode communication is conducted by means of a fixed format message. All data required to execute the function remotely is contained in this message. DR Net uses the same message format to return the response to the calling application.

1.1.1 DR Net node types

DR Net distinguishes between two types of network nodes: requesters and servers. Under DR Net, only requesters can initiate a network transaction. Servers can only respond to requester's inquiries. Axiomatically, servers never surprise requesters; every message received by a requester is always a response to an earlier request.

Requester and server network functions are available fom the different Digital Research operating systems as follows:

- Systems based on on CP/M-86 can function only as requesters on the network. They can talk to servers based on DR Net or MP/M II (CP/NET Version 1.2).
- Systems based on Concurrent CP/M can function as a network requester, a node server, or as both a network requester and server.
- Requesters based on CP/NET Version 1.2 can talk to servers based on DR Net.

Basic differences in these operating systems restrict the system calls supported over the network. Section 2 describes the limitations in detail.

Figure 1-1 illustrates the possible communication links between nodes running these operating systems. The arrows indicate who can send a request to whom.



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Figure 1-1. DR Net configuration options

Up to 255 computers can communicate to each other on a DR Net network. Each one is uniquely identified by a hexadecimal number in the range of 00 through FEh. Any number of computers can be configured as a network server or a network requester. For example, a network of computers under DR Net can consist of 254 requesters and one server, or 255 combination server/requester nodes.

There are limits, however, to the number of servers or requesters a computer can talk to at one time. A single requester node can support a maximum of 90 processes attached to the network simultaneously. Each of these processes can log on up to 16 server nodes at a time. Each server node can support up to 83 requester processes at a time.

1.1.2 DR Net message

Requester processes communicate with server processes by means of DR Net messages. Figure 1-2 illustrates its contents. See Appendix C for a detailed description of each field.

Field Length:

1 (*) 1 or 2 1 or 2 1 1 or 2 1 65,536
+++++++
Message Destination Source System Length Data Field: All
Format Node & Node Call of Data information
Code Process ID & Process Number Field required to
Number Number execute system
call remotely
++++++++

(*) Number indicates length of field. Where two lengths are shown, the first is for format 00 and 01 messages, and the second is for format 06 and 07 messages. (See Appendix C for a the description of the different DR Net message formats.)

Figure 1-2. Components of the DR Net message

The data field in the DR Net message is used for two purposes. For all requests, the messages contains the conformation required for the server to perform the function. For all responses, it contains the return value and related data. For example, the data field in a F_READ request contains the current user number and the File Control Block (FCB) of the file to be read. The data field in a F_READ response message contains the return code, the updated FCB, the data that was read, and network related information.

1.2 Requester and server functions

DR Net's interface with its host operating system can be described as either a system-call screener, or a process controller. Call screening is the requester function that determines if the disk drive, list device, or queue referenced by a system call is local or mapped to a remote system. Calls that reference a local resource are passed to the host operating system for execution. Calls that reference a remote resource are withheld and sent to the specified server node.

Process control is a server function. The DR Net server module creates and maintains a separate process for each requester process logged on. This "shadow" process exists only as long as the requester is logged on to the server, and idles when not in use. When a message is received from a requester, DR Net signals the associated shadow process to read the message, decode it, and present the function to the host operating system. From the perspective of the server's host operating system, shadow processes are like any other application process.

After the call is executed, the shadow process prepares the response message, and sends it back to the requester. DR Net's requester module then decodes the message, and returns the response to the calling process or program, according to local return convention.

Although systems based upon CP/M-86 and Concurrent CP/M can both function as DR Net requesters, DR Net's interface to a Concurrent CP/M host is different than its interface to a CP/M-86 host. This difference should not affect your application software. However, it may impact upon any custom applications you develop for use under DR Net.

1.2.1 Requester nodes based on CP/M-86

In a requester with a CP/M-86 node, the DR Net system image is contained in the file DRNET.CMD. This file has two logical parts: the Network I/O System (NIOS) and the Network Disk Operating System (NDOS). The NIOS is DR Net's interface to the network hardware. It is developed by a system implementer, and integrated with the NDOS for a CP/M-86 requester by the DR Net GENRQR.CMD system generation utility. The NDOS is DR Net's invariant module (that is, suitable for any network hardware) that interfaces to application programs and the host operating system. It is the NDOS that performs the system-call screening and provides the support for the DR Net functions.

In systems based on CP/M-86, DR Net is loaded with the NETLDR.CMD utility. The DRNET.CMD system image file must be present on the disk when NETLDR is invoked. The following events occur when NETLDR is run:

- DRNET.CMD is read, and its constituent NIOS and NDOS modules are loaded into the top of available system memory.
- The memory region occupied by the NIOS and NDOS is removed from the MRT table.
- The pointer for INT 224 is changed from the BDOS entry point to the NDOS entry point.
- The network I/O line drivers are initialized.

Figure 1-3 illustrates system memory configuration after NETLDR has run. At this point, DR Net is attached, and the system-call screening function is implemented. However, the requester is not logged on any servers. The operator invokes the LOGON.CMD utility to log on servers. See Appendix A for a description of the NETLDR and LOGON utilities.



System Memory

Figure 1-3. CP/M-86 requester memory organization

The NDOS traps each system call made by a program to determine who should execute the function -- the host system or a server. The first round of screening considers the resource referenced by the call. Unless a disk drive, list device, or queue is referenced, the NDOS passes the call on the local BDOS for execution.

When the NDOS encounters a call referencing a disk drive, list device, or queue, it looks to an internal data structure called the Requester

Configuration Table (RCT) to determine whether or not the resource is mapped to another system. All calls that reference local resources are passed on to the BDOS for execution. All calls to a resource mapped to a server are withheld from the BDOS, and sent to the server specified by an entry in the RCT. The Requester Configuration Table is described in Section 1.3, "Network environments".

Note: Normally, queue calls cannot be made by programs running under CP/M-86. However, the NDOS adds to the functions supported by CP/M-86 several functions otherwise only available from Concurrent CP/M. See "CP/M-86 functions extensions" below for the description of the additional functions supported.

All NDOS functions, from call screening to message output, are transparent to the calling program and the BDOS. The same is true for the NDOS's return of control to the calling program. When the response is received, the NDOS mimics the Concurrent CP/M return conventions for register contents and data storage before it relinquishes the CPU to the original calling process. Failures, whether resulting from a remote BDOS error or a network error, are also returned according to Concurrent CP/M conventions. See Section 3, "DR Net error handling", for the description of DR Net error reporting protocol.

CP/M-86 function extensions

Besides the network functions, the NDOS adds to a CP/M-86 requester the ability to perform several Concurrent CP/M system calls locally. This allows many programs written to run under Concurrent CP/M to run on requesters based on CP/M-86. The additional calls are as follows:

44: F_MULTISEC 45: F_ERRMODE 59: P_LOAD 152: F_PARSE 153: C_GET 154: S_SYSDAT 156: P_PDADR 164: L_GET

When the NDOS traps these calls, it executes them instead of passing them to the BDOS. (If they went to the BDOS, an error would result.) These additional functions are supported because the NDOS maintains an internal buffer that contains the requisite data from the process desciptor, User Data Area (UDA), and System Data Page.

The NDOS supports other functions not allowed under CP/M-86. In all cases, these are functions that reference files, drives, list devices, and queues (system calls with the prefixes F_, DRV_, L_, and Q_, respectively.) However, the resource referenced by these calls must be remote rather than local. For instance, an application can request the full range of queue functions, as long as the queue reference is resident on a remote server. See Table 2-4, "Available CP/M-86 functions", in Section 2 for the list of all calls supported locally and remotely by CP/M-86 requesters.

A computer running Concurrent CP/M can function as either a network requester or a network server, or as both a network requester and server. Which function is implemented is determined at DR Net system generation time, when you specify the number of shadow and requester processes. The DR Net GENNET system generation utility then selects the corresponding DR Net server, requester, or simultaneous requester/server resource file; reads the NIOS.CMD file; and constructs the DR Net system module. This module is stored on the disk under the filename DRNET.CMD.

Unlike nodes with a CP/M-86 host, the DRNET.CMD file is merged with the Concurrent CP/M's CCPM.SYS system image file, rather than stored for use as a separate file. The DR Net ADDNET utility performs the integration of the two files, and records the results under the filename CCPM.SYS.

In server and simultaneous requester/server nodes, loading the CCPM.SYS also enables DR Net's server function. That is, the network I/O line drivers are initialized and the shadow process control mechanism is loaded. The local resources are immediately available to remote requesters.

In requester and requester/server nodes, loading the CCPM.SYS file does not in itself enable the requester call screening function. All calls made by a process are routed to the local SUP, BDOS, RTM, CIO, or MEM module. DR Net must be attached before the operator can use the computer as a network requester node. There are two ways to attach DR Net. An application can call DR Net's N_ATTACH function, or the operator can invoke the NETON.CMD utility. NETON makes a series of N_ATTACH calls.

Concurrent CP/M requester

The DR Net N_ATTACH function attaches a process to the network, and gives it a network environment. In addition, all child processes created by an attached process are automatically attached. Once attached, all system calls made by the process are subjected to DR Net's call-screening mechanism. System-call screening under Concurrent CP/M is implemented as shown in Figure 1-4.





Figure 1-4. Concurrent CP/M function screening procedure

The two numbered locations ["(1)" and "(2)"] in Figure 1-4 indicate the decision points in the procedure that decides whether a system call references a remote or local resource.

- 1. The supervisor (SUP) determines whether the resource referenced is always local, or possibly mapped. Calls in the first category (for example, all memory (MC_) and flag (DEV_) related functions) are forwarded to the appropriate local module for execution. Calls in the second category (that is, all disk (DRV_), file (F_), list device (L_), and queue (Q_) related calls) are sent to the NDOS for further evaluation.
- 2. The NDOS checks the Requester Configuration Table (RCT) to determine whether or not the local resource referenced in the call is mapped to a remote system. If the resource referenced is not mapped, the call is sent back to the SUP for forwarding to the resident module. If the resource referenced is mapped, the NDOS makes the DR Net message, and initiates the network transaction.

The Requester Configuration Table (RCT) is the same for both CP/M-86 and Concurrent CP/M requesters. See Section 1.3, "Network environments", for the description of this data structure.

After the NDOS initiates a network transaction, it waits for the response message. When this message is received, the NDOS mimics the standard return conventions for register contents, data storage, and error handling before returning control to the calling process.

Concurrent CP/M server

The DR Net server is a process manager that creates local processes for each requester process that logs on. This is a shadow process because it remains allocated to a single requester process, and serves as its representative for presenting system calls to the server's host operating system. There is a limit to the number of shadow processes that can be supported in a server. This maximum value is a parameter elicited by the GENNET.CMD system generation program.

When a message is received, DR Net selects the shadow process assigned to the calling requester. The shadow process then decodes the DR Net message, and calls its Concurrent CP/M host. Before its call is made, however, all memory allocation, temporary data storage, and register initialization is performed according to the local calling convention. The SUP implements the call no differently than it would a call generated by a local process.

After the function is executed, the shadow process assembles the response message. This message includes the return value and all associated data, such as a data record, an FCB, or queue contents. Finally, the response is output to the network, to complet the transaction.

Shadow processes idle between messages. They remain assigned to their requester process until a log-off is received from the requester, or a network error occurs. See Section 3, "DR Net error handling", for the description of the errors that cause shadow processes to be terminated in a server.

1.3 Network environments

Each requester process attached to the network has a network environment. The environment consists of a requester Configuration Table (RCT) and a Log-on Table. The RCT indicates which local disk drives, list devices, and queues are mapped, and the server to which the remote resource is attached. The Log-on Table indicates which servers are currently logged on. These two data structures are illustrated in Figure 1-5.

Function 69, N_RCT, is used to get the Requester Configuration Table and the Log-on Table. Figure 1-5 illustrates the appearance of the two tables when this function is called. The Requester Configuration Table and Log-on Table are not contiguous in memory, however. They are maintained in separate portions of memory, and only assembled into a single structure for the sake of function 69.

(Numbers indicate hexadecimal offset from first byte in table.)

Byte 1 Byte 2 ----- Typical of all Bits: 7 6-4 3-0 disk and list 00 01 +-+---+ device entries: +---+ | | Reserved for |a| * |b| Server ID |a| = network bit +---+ system use. |||| | number | b = remote device +-+-|-+---+ number \land +--> Reserved / / \ Disk Drive Map: / + +02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F 10 11 +---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+ |00(A)|01(B)|02(C)|03(D)|04(E)|05(F)|06(G)|07(H)|+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	2A	2B	2C	2D	2E	2F	30	31
	+	-+	-+-	+ F	+ Rese	rvec	+ 1	+	+	+	·+	•+	-+	-+-	+-
	+	-+	-+-	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	-+	-+	-+-	+-
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42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 4A 4B 4C 4D 4E 4F 50 51 +---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+ 00 | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | +---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+ 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 5A 5B 5C 5D 5E 5F 60 61 | 08 | 09 | 0A | 0B | 0C | 0D | OE | 0F | +---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+ Queue Map: (First 16 separate entries) 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 6A 6B 6C 6D 6E 6F 70 71 +---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+ | * | Local Queue Name | Remote Queue Name : +--> Type Flag 72 73 74 75 +---+ : | | Remote| : * | * | Queue | : | | | | ID | +-|-+-|-+---+

| +--> Server ID
+---> (Last character of Remote Queue Name.)

Log-on Table:

+----+ | Server | Reserved| Typical | Node ID | for sys-| Log-on Table | | tem use | entry +----+ \ / \ / \ / + + +

1A2 1A3 1A4 1A5 1A6 1A7 1A8 1A9|1AA 1AB|1AC 1AD 1AE 1AF 1B0 1B1

+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+---+

Figure 1-5. Requester Configuration Table

1.3.1 Requester configuration table

The Requester Configuration Table (RCT) is organized into the three resource maps and Log-on Table shown in Figure 1-5. Table 1-1 below describes the fields in each Requester Configuration Table map segment. The initial values for each field in the Requester Configuration Table are entered at DR Net system generation as responses to prompts from the system generation utility. This series of prompts creates the master Master Requester Configuration Table. Processes acquire copies of the master when they attach to the network. For more information on the network attach function and how it affects a process's network environment, see Section 1.3.3, "Network environments and process families".

 Table 1-1. Requester Configuration Table field descriptions

Format: Map segment Field description

Disk Drive Map

Table bytes 02h through 21h contain the mapping for local drives 00 (A) through 0F (P). Each map entry consists of two bytes, where the first entry contains the map for drive A, the second entry contains the map for drive B, and so forth through drive P.

The first byte of each entry has two significant bit fields.

- Bit 7 indicates whether the corresponding drive is mapped or local, as follows:

bit 7 = 0: local bit 7 = 1: mapped

- Bits 3 through 0 contains the hex number of the remote drive.

The second byte of each field contains the hexadecimal ID number of the server node.

List Device Map Table bytes 42 through 61 contains the mapping for local list devices LST0: through LST15:. This portion of the table is organized in the same fashion as the drive map, where each entry consists of two bytes, and the position of entry within the range is significant. The two bytes are used in the same way as they are in the Disk Drive Map.

Queue Map

Table bytes 62 through 1A1 contain the map assignments for up to 16 local queues. Because queues are not sequentially labelled like drives and printers, the fields are more descriptive, as follows:

- The Type Flag byte replaces the network bit, to indicate whether the queue is remote or local. The corresponding values are as follows:

00h: local 01h: remote

- The Local Queue Name contains the eight-character ASCII name of the local queue to be mapped.
- The Remote Queue Name contains the eight-character ASCII name of the server-based, replacement queue.
- Server ID contains the hex ID number of the server node with the mapped queue.
- Remote Queue ID contains the short pointer into the System Data Page of the server-based, replacement queue.

Note: The queue length cannot exceed the maximum message buffer size when a queue is mapped over the network.

1.3.2 Log-on Table

Each process attached to the network has a Log-on Table to indicate which server nodes are accessible. The list consists of 10h (16) separate, two-byte fields, where the first byte contains the server ID number, and the second is reserved for system use. A null entry is indicated by an 0FFh in the first byte.

A process's Log-on Table is created when the process is attached to the network. If neither the process nor its parent was attached previously, the Log-on Table is blank. If the process was created by an already attached process, the child's Log-on Table is copied from its parent's current version. The child process does not need to log on all servers listed in the parent's table.

To register a server in the Log-on Table, a process calls function 64, N_LOGON. A log-on message is then sent to the specified server. The server's ID number is written only when the server's response indicates success. To erase a server from the table, the process calls the DR Net function 65, N_LOGOFF.

Process families and network environments are closely affiliated under DR Net. For example, once a process is attached to the network, every child it creates is also automatically attached. Unless specifically specified otherwise, the entire family shares a single copy of the requester Configuration Table.

A single copy of the Requester Configuration Table (RCT) is enough for most applications. However, individual processes or process subfamilies can obtain a separate RCT with the DR Net N_ATTACH function. This allows a process to make changes to its copy of the Requester Configuration Table without affecting its relatives' copy. The use of N_ATTACH to create new network environments is described below. Following this, the effect of the DR Net N_DETACH function upon the environment is described.

DR Net NETON and LOGON utilities

For many applications, the DR Net NETON and LOGON utilities suffice to attach and log-on processes. When NETON is invoked, it makes a series of N_ATTACH calls to attach the current process and all ancestral processes, until it finds a process that is already attached. All child processes created after NETON has been run are automatically attached by DR Net, and inherit the parent's environment.

The LOGON utility works in a similar fashion. When it is invoked, it calls the N_LOGON function for the current process and each ancestral process. It stops calling N_LOGON only when the process's parent pointer is null.

Creating separate environments with the N_ATTACH function

A process's network environment is created when the process is attached to the network. A process is attached to the network in one of two ways:

- 1) The process calls DR Net function 73: N_ATTACH, and specifies a null process descriptor input parameter. DR Net responds by attaching the calling process.
- 2) A process calls N_ATTACH, but specifies another process descriptor as an input parameter. DR Net does not attach the calling process in this case; instead, DR Net attaches the specified process.

Attaching a requester process to the network gives it a network environment consisting of a copy of the Requester Configuration Table and a Log-on Table. The contents of these tables are determined by the following rules:

- If the process is not attached and its parent is not attached (or there is no parent), it gets a copy of the master Requester Configuration Table and a blank Log-on Table.

- If the process is not attached but its parent is attached, it gets its parent's Requester Configuration Table and a copy of its parent's Log-on Table.
- If the process is already attached, it gets a new requester Configuration Table, which is a copy of its previous RCT, but its Logon Table is unaffected.

Note: There is a limit to the number of Requester Configuration Tables that can be created with the N_ATTACH function. The value is set at system generation, and is stored in the Parameter Table. See the description of the DR Net N_PARATAB function in Section 4 for the description of the Parameter Table.

Effect of N_DETACH upon a process's network environment

The N_DETACH function DOES NOT necessarily terminate the calling process's connection to the network. This is only true when the calling process has a first generation copy of the master requester Configuration Table. Fro example, when a process references a second or third generation copy, N_DETACH replaces the current Requester Configuration Table with the previous generation copy. The process remains attached to the network, and its Log-on Table unaltered.

When the process has a first generation Requester Configuration Table, a N_DETACH does detach the network. Detaching involves the following actions:

- A N_LOGOFF is sent to each server listed in the Log-on Table.
- The Log-on Table is deallocated.
- The process's link to its Requester Configuration Table is cut. All references to disk drives, list devices, and queues are not screened, and go directly to the local system.

When a process detaches, its former copy of the Requester Configuration Table is not necessarily deallocated. Because other processes might be using this copy, it remains in existence until there is no chance that an active process could reference it.

Modifying a Requester Configuration Table

A process changes its environment using DR Net function 69: N_RCT. This functions serves a dual purpose. First, it allows you to retrieve the calling process's Requester Configuration Table and Log-on Table. Second, it allows you to change the map of disk drives, list devices, and queues. Changes made affect all processes that share that table.

Network environments example

The sequence of frames in Figure 1-6 illustrates what happens when processes attach and detach from the network, and how network environments are created and purged. The following symbols are used in this figure:

- Ln, where "n" is a number, indicates the copy number of the Log-on Table. Notice that each attached process has its own Log-on Table.
- Rn, where "n" is a number, indicates the copy number of the Requester Configuration Table.

In both cases, the copy is made from the parent's current table.

1) Process A, detached from network

(A)

2) Process A creates process B

(A) ^ | (B)

3) Process B attaches process A

4) Process B terminates

(A)--+-->[L1] +---->[R1]

5) Process A creates process C

6) Process C attaches itself

7) Process C creates process D

$$\begin{array}{c} (A) & -+--> [L1] \\ & +----> [R1] \\ | \\ (C) & -+--> [L2] \\ & +----> [R2] \\ | & & \\ (D) & -+--> [L3] \\ & +----+ \end{array}$$

8) Process A terminates

9) Process C terminates

10) Process D detaches

11) Process D detaches a second time

(D)

Figure 1-6. Process attach and detach sequence

1. Process A has been created, but it is not attached to the network.

- 2. Process A creates process B. Neither is attached to the network.
- 3. Process B calls N_ATTACH to attach process A. Process B is NOT attached, but A now has a first generation compy of the master Requester Configuration Table (R1) and a Log-on Table (L1).
- 4. Process B terminates. This has no effect upon process A.
- 5. Process A creates process C. Process C is allocated a Log-on Table (L2

-- a direct copy of process A's L1), and shares process A's Requester Configuration Table (R1).

- 6. Process C calls N_ATTACH to attach itself. Process C's Log-on Table (L2) is unaffected. However, it gets a second generation copy of the Requester Configuration Table (R2 is a direct copy of process A's R1).
- 7. Process C creates process D. Process D gets its own Log-on Table (L3 is a direct copy of L2), and shares process C's Requester Configuration Table (R2).
- 8. Process A terminates. Its Log-on Table (L1) is deallocated, but the first generation of the Requester Configuration Table (R1) is not.
- 9. Process C terminates. Its Log-on Table (L2) is deallocated, but the second generation copy of the Requester Configuration Table (R2) is not.
- Process D calls N_DETACH. Its log-on Table (L3) is unaffected, but the second generation Requester Configuration Table (R2) is deallocated.
 Process D is still attached to the network, and the first generation Requester Configuration Table (R1) defines its environment.
- 11. Process D makes a second call to N_DETACH. Because there is no previous generation Requester Configuration Table, the process is detached from the network, and its Log-on Table deallocated. Because there are no processes referencing copy R1 of the Requester Configuration Table, DR Net deallocates it.

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Section 2: System call support

The support of system calls by DR Net connotes two things. First, it means that the requester NDOS recognizes these functions and traps the call rather than pass it to the host operating system, forms the call into a message, and decodes the response message. Second, it means that the server module decodes the request and recognize the system call, presents the call to its host operating system according to the local system call calling convention, and assembles the response message.

Generally, the functions supported by DR Net for implementation over the network are all calls related to Concurrent CP/M disk drive, list device, and queue functions. In most cases, programs making calls to these resources can expect transparent execution of the function. The qualification is necessary, because DR Net's ability to transport the call does not guarantee that the remote system can execute it.

When all nodes on the network use Concurrent CP/M, all concerns for system call compatibility are irrelevant. However, compatibility considerations are very relevant in a hybrid network consisting of nodes with different operating systems. Tables 2-2 through 2-6 list all the Concurrent CP/M system calls, so you can determine beforehand whether a system call is supported locally or over the network. Each table is associated with a specific operating system, and answers the following questions for each function:

- Does this operating system support this function when the system is a server?
- Does the NDOS issue a request for this function under this operating system?
- Does the local system support this function when the system is a requester?
- If it does not, is the function harmless when it is called?

The last two questions are included because DR Net and CP/NET NDOS extend the functions available on the local operating system. For example, the DR Net NDOS, without its host operating system, supports functions F_MULTISEC, F_PARSE, C_GET, S_SYSDAT, P_PDADR, and L_GET.

2.1 System calls serviced

All Concurrent CP/M Release 3.1 functions are listed in Tables 2-2 through 2-6, as follows. Use these tables to determine whether the system calls made by your applications are serviced on requester or server nodes running on the different Digital Research operating systems.

- Table 2-2 describes calls available on CP/M Release 2.2 nodes.

- Table 2-3 describes calls available on CP/NOS nodes.

- Table 2-4 describes calls available on MP/M II nodes.

- Table 2-5 describes calls available on CP/M-86 nodes.

- Table 2-6 describes calls available on Concurrent CP/M Release 3.1 nodes.

Each table has four columns of "YES", "NO", and "NO*" responses to the fundamental questions described in the introduction to this section. The column headers represent the questions according to the definition shown in Table 2-1.

Table 2-1. Column header definitions

Format: Column header Definitions

S -- Server

Can this operating system perform this function when the function is received over the network?

R -- Requester Can the NDOS build a message from this function under this operating system?

L -- Local

Does this operating system support this call locally?

H -- Harmless

If the operating system does not support the function, does the NDOS intercept it and render the function harmless? The answers in this column are applicable only after the network has been attached.

The "Harmless" column is relevant only when the answer in the "Local" column is "NO". Otherwise, it is blank. In addition, the "Server" or "Requester" columns are eliminated when the host operating system does not support that network function.

These tables indicate whether or not a system call can be executed remotely. Confirm the calls made by your applications by referencing the functions in the table of your requester operating system, and in the table of your server operating system. The requester table indicates the functions trapped and transported by the NDOS. The server table indicates the functions supported. A "YES" in both tables indicates that transparent, remote execution is provided.

"NO" in the "Requester" column indicates that the call cannot be made over the network. This does not mean programs cannot use this function. Instead, it indicates that the function is either meaningless in a network context, or the resource referenced is not mapped over the network. P_DELAY is an example of a function that is meaningless if executed remotely. All the memory allocation functions are examples of calls that reference resources that are always local.

A "NO" in the "Server" column indicates that the call is not supported by that host operating system. If the server receives a system call that it does not support, it returns the host system's error message, indicating an unsupported function was called.

A "NO*" in the "Requester" and "Server" columns indicates that the call is not supported, but the function is. In a requester, this means the Concurrent CP/M SUP module, or the NDOS, decomposes the call into a series of other calls. A "NO*" in the "Server" column indicates that the call is never received, but the function is available. Each call with a "NO*" is described in Section 2.2, "Implementation notes". See these descriptions for a listing of the system calls invoked for decomposed functions.

Tables 2-2 through 2-6 also indicate the effect of DR Net upon the functions available from the local operating system. As described in Section 1.2.1, "CP/M-86 requester nodes", the NDOS adds system calls that are not otherwise supported. For this purpose, reference the "Local" and "Harmless" columns in the table for the node's host operating system to determine if it is safe to make the call. "Harmless" indicates that the call results in a NOP.

Finally, these tables flag calls that have network repercussions. For all calls marked by an asterisk ("*"), there is a description in Section 2.2, "Implementation notes", of the effect the network has on the call, or the effect the call has on the network.

Table 2-2. CP/M Release 2.2 functions

Dec Hex Mnemonic	Description	R L H
* 0 00 P_TERMCPM	M System Reset	NO YES
1 01 C_READ	Console Input	YES YES
2 02 C_WRITE	Console Output	YES YES
3 03 AUX_READ	Auxiliary Input	NO YES
4 04 AUX_WRITE	E Auxiliary Output	NO YES
* 5 05 L_WRITE	List Output	YES YES
6 06 C_RAWIO	Direct Console I/O	YES YES
7 07 AXI_STAT	Auxiliary Input Statu	is NO YES
8 08 AXO_STAT	Auxiliary Output St	atus NO YES
* 9 09 C_WRITEST	'R Print String	NO* YES
* 10 0A C_READST	R Read Console Bu	iffer NO* YES
* 11 0B C_STAT	Get Console Status	YES YES

* 12 OC S BDOSVER Return BDOS Version Number NO YES * 13 0D DRV_ALLRESET Reset Disk System NO* YES 14 OE DRV SET Select Disk YES YES 15 OF F_OPEN YES YES Open File 16 10 F_CLOSE Close File YES YES 17 11 F_SFIRST Search for First YES YES 18 12 F_SNEXT Search for Next YES YES 19 13 F DELETE Delete File YES YES 20 14 F_READ YES YES Read Sequential YES YES 21 15 F WRITE Write Sequential 22 16 F_MAKE Make File YES YES 23 17 F RENAME YES YES Rename File 24 18 DRV_LOGINVEC Return Log-in Vector YES YES 25 19 DRV_GET Return Current Disk YES YES 26 1A F_DMASET Set DMA Offset NO YES 27 1B DRV_ALLOCVEC Get Allocation Vector YES YES YES YES 28 1C DRV_SETRO Write Protect Disk 29 1D DRV_ROVEC Get Read/Only Vector YES YES YES YES 30 1E F ATTRIB Set File Attributes 31 1F DRV_DPB Get Disk Param. Block Addr. YES YES * 32 20 F USERNUM Get/Set User Code NO YES YES YES 33 21 F READRAND Read Random 34 22 F_WRITERAND Write Random YES YES 35 23 F_SIZE **Compute File Size** YES YES 36 24 F_RANDREC Set Random Record YES YES * 37 25 DRV_RESET Reset Drive YES YES * 38 26 DRV_ACCESS Access Drive YES NO NO 39 27 DRV FREE Free Drive YES NO NO 40 28 F_WRITEZF Write Random with Zero Fill YES YES 41 29 F TWREC Test and Write Record NO NO NO YES NO NO 42 2A F_LOCK Lock record 43 2B F_UNLOCK Unlock Record YES NO NO 44 2C F_MULTISEC Set Multisector Count NO NO NO * 45 2D F_ERRMODE Set BDOS Error Mode YES NO NO 46 2E DRV_SPACE Get Free Disk Space NO NO NO 47 2F P_CHAIN NO NO NO Chain to Program 48 30 DRV FLUSH Flush Buffers NO NO NO 49 31 SCB GETSET Get/set CP/M Plus SCB NO NO NO 50 32 S BIOS NO NO NO Direct BIOS Call 51 33 F_DMAOFF Set DMA Base NO NO NO 52 34 F DMAGET Get DMA Base NO NO NO 53 35 MC_MAX NO NO NO Get Maximum Memory 54 36 MC_ABSMAX Get Absolute Memory NO NO NO 55 37 MC_ALLOC Allocate Memory NO NO NO 56 38 MC_ALLOCABS Allocate Absolute Memory NO NO NO 57 39 MC FREE Free memory NO NO NO 58 3A MC_ALLFREE Free All Memory NO NO NO 59 3B P LOAD Program Load NO NO NO 60 3C RSX_CALL Call Resident System Ext. NO NO NO 61 3D ? 62 3E ? 63 3F ? 64 40 N LOGON Log On a Server YES NO NO Log Off a Server YES NO NO 65 41 N LOGOFF

YES NO NO 66 42 N_SENDMSG Send a Message YES NO NO 67 43 N GETMSG Get a Message 68 44 N STAT Get Network Status YES NO NO YES NO NO 69 45 N_RCT Get Req. Config. Table 70 46 N_ATTRIB Set Comp. Attributes YES NO NO 71 47 N_SCT Get Ser. Config. Table YES NO NO 72 48 N_ERRMODE Set Network Error Mode NO NO NO 73 49 N ATTACH Attach Network NO NO NO 74 4A N_DETACH Detach Network NO NO NO ? 75 4B N BUFSIZ Set Message Buffer Size 76 4C ? 77 4D N_PARATAB Get Parameter Table NO NO NO 99 63 F_TRUNCATE Truncate File NO NO NO 100 64 DRV_SETLABEL Set Directory Label NO NO NO 101 65 DRV_GETLABEL Return Directory Label NO NO NO 102 66 F TIMEDATE Read File XFCB NO NO NO 103 67 F_WRITEXFCB Write File XFCB NO NO NO NO NO NO 104 68 T SET Set Date and Time 105 69 T GET NO NO NO Get Date and Time YES NO NO *106 6A F PASSWD Set Default Password Return Serial Number 107 6B S_SERIAL NO NO NO 108 6C ? 109 6D C_MODE Get/Set Console Mode NO NO NO 110 6E C_DELIMIT Get/Set Delimiter NO NO NO 111 6F C_WRITEBLK Write Console Block NO NO NO 112 70 L_WRITEBLK Write List Block NO NO NO 128 80 M ALLOC Allocate Memory Segment NO NO NO Allocate Memory Segment NO NO NO 129 81 M ALLOC Free Memory Segment 130 82 M_FREE NO NO NO 131 83 DEV POLL Poll Device NO NO NO 132 84 DEV_WAITFLAG Flag Wait NO NO NO 133 85 DEV_SETFLAG Flag Set NO NO NO 134 86 Q_MAKE Make Queue NO NO NO NO NO NO 135 87 Q_OPEN Open Queue 136 88 Q DELETE Delete Queue NO NO NO 137 89 Q_READ Read Queue NO NO NO Conditionally Read Queue NO NO NO 138 8A Q_CREAD 139 8B Q_WRITE Write Queue NO NO NO 140 8C Q_CWRITE Conditionally Write Queue NO NO NO 141 8D P_DELAY **Delay Process** NO NO NO 142 8E P_DISPATCH **Dispatch Process** NO NO NO 143 8F P_TERM Terminate Calling Process NO NO NO 144 90 P_CREATE NO NO NO Create Process 145 91 P PRIORITY Set Priority of Process NO NO NO 146 92 C_ATTACH Attach Console NO NO NO 147 93 C DETACH **Detach** Console NO NO NO 148 94 C_SET Set Console NO NO NO 149 95 C_ASSIGN NO NO NO Assign Console 150 96 P_CLI Call Command Line Interp. NO NO NO 151 97 P RPL Call Resident Procedure Lib.NO NO NO 152 98 F PARSE Parse Filename NO NO NO 153 99 C GET Get Console NO NO NO

154	9A S_SYSDAT	Get SYSDAT Address	NO NO NO
155	9B T_SECONDS	Get Date and Time	NO NO NO
156	9C P_PDADR	Return Proc. Desc. Addre	ess NO NO NO
157	9D P_ABORT	Abort Specified Process	NO NO NO
158	9E L_ATTACH	Attach List Device	NO NO NO
159	9F L_DETACH	Detach List Device	NO NO NO
160	A0 L_SET S	et List Device NO	NO NO
161	A1 L_CATTACH	Conditionally Attach L	ist NO NO NO
162	A2 C_CATTACH	Conditionally Attach C	Con. NO NO NO
163	A3 S_OSVER	Return Version Number	NO NO NO
164	A4 L_GET C	et List Device Number	NO NO NO

Table 2-3. CP/NOS functions

Dec Hex Mnemonic Description R L H
* 0 00 P TERMCPM System Reset NO YES
1 01 C READ Console Input YES YES
2 02 C WRITE Console Output YES YES
3 03 AUX READ Auxiliary Input NO YES
4 04 AUX WRITE Auxiliary Output NO YES
* 5 05 L WRITE List Output YES YES
6 06 C RAWIO Direct Console I/O YES YES
7 07 AXI STAT Auxiliary Input Status NO YES
8 08 AXO_STAT Auxiliary Output Status NO YES
* 9 09 C_WRITESTR Print String NO* YES
* 10 0A C_READSTR Read Console Buffer NO* YES
* 11 0B C_STAT Get Console Status YES YES
* 12 OC S_BDOSVER Return BDOS Version Number NO YES
* 13 0D DRV_ALLRESET Reset Disk System NO* YES
14 OE DRV_SET Select Disk YES NO NO
15 OF F_OPEN Open File YES NO NO
16 10 F_CLOSE Close File YES NO NO
17 11 F_SFIRST Search for First YES NO NO
18 12 F_SNEXT Search for Next YES NO NO
19 13 F_DELETE Delete File YES NO NO
20 14 F_READ Read Sequential YES NO NO
21 15 F_WRITE Write Sequential YES NO NO
22 16 F_MAKE Make File YES NO NO
23 17 F_RENAME Rename File YES NO NO
24 18 DRV_LOGINVEC Return Log-in Vector YES NO NO
25 19 DRV_GET Return Current Disk NO NO NO
26 1A F_DMASET Set DMA Offset NO YES
27 1B DRV_ALLOCVEC Get Allocation Vector YES NO NO
28 1C DRV_SETRO Write Protect Disk YES NO NO
29 1D DRV_ROVEC Get Read/Only Vector YES NO NO
30 1E F_ATTRIB Set File Attributes YES NO NO
31 1F DRV_DPB Get Disk Param. Block Addr. YES NO NO
* 32 20 F_USERNUM Get/Set User Code NO YES
33 21 F_READRAND Read Random YES NO NO
34 22 F_WRITERAND Write Random YES NO NO
35 23 F_SIZE Compute File Size YES NO NO
36 24 F_RANDREC Set Random Record YES NO NO

* 37 25 DRV_RESET **Reset Drive** YES NO YES * 38 26 DRV ACCESS YES NO NO Access Drive 39 27 DRV_FREE YES NO YES Free Drive 40 28 F_WRITEZF Write Random with Zero Fill YES NO NO 41 29 F_TWREC Test and Write Record NO NO NO 42 2A F_LOCK Lock record YES NO NO 43 2B F_UNLOCK Unlock Record YES NO NO 44 2C F MULTISEC Set Multisector Count NO NO NO * 45 2D F_ERRMODE Set BDOS Error Mode YES NO NO 46 2E DRV SPACE Get Free Disk Space NO NO NO NO NO NO 47 2F P_CHAIN Chain to Program 48 30 DRV_FLUSH Flush Buffers NO NO NO 49 31 SCB_GETSET Get/set CP/M Plus SCB NO NO NO 50 32 S_BIOS Direct BIOS Call NO NO NO 51 33 F_DMAOFF Set DMA Base NO NO NO 52 34 F_DMAGET Get DMA Base NO NO NO 53 35 MC_MAX NO NO NO Get Maximum Memory 54 36 MC_ABSMAX Get Absolute Memory NO NO NO 55 37 MC ALLOC Allocate Memory NO NO NO 56 38 MC_ALLOCABS Allocate Absolute Memory NO NO NO 57 39 MC FREE Free memory NO NO NO 58 3A MC_ALLFREE Free All Memory NO NO NO 59 3B P_LOAD Program Load NO NO NO 60 3C RSX_CALL Call Resident System Ext. NO NO NO 61 3D ? 62 3E ? 63 3F ? 64 40 N LOGON Log On a Server YES NO NO 65 41 N_LOGOFF Log Off a Server YES NO NO Send a Message YES NO NO 66 42 N SENDMSG Get a Message 67 43 N_GETMSG YES NO NO 68 44 N_STAT Get Network Status YES NO NO 69 45 N_RCT Get Req. Config. Table YES NO NO 70 46 N_ATTRIB Set Comp. Attributes YES NO NO 71 47 N SCT Get Ser. Config. Table YES NO NO 72 48 N_ERRMODE Set Network Error Mode NO NO NO NO NO NO 73 49 N ATTACH Attach Network 74 4A N_DETACH Detach Network NO NO NO 75 4B N BUFSIZ Set Message Buffer Size ? 76 4C ? 77 4D N PARATAB Get Parameter Table NO NO NO 99 63 F TRUNCATE Truncate File NO NO NO 100 64 DRV_SETLABEL Set Directory Label NO NO NO 101 65 DRV_GETLABEL Return Directory Label NO NO NO 102 66 F TIMEDATE Read File XFCB NO NO NO 103 67 F_WRITEXFCB Write File XFCB NO NO NO 104 68 T SET NO NO NO Set Date and Time 105 69 T_GET Get Date and Time NO NO NO *106 6A F_PASSWD Set Default Password YES NO NO 107 6B S_SERIAL **Return Serial Number** NO NO NO 108 6C ? 109 6D C_MODE Get/Set Console Mode NO NO NO 110 6E C DELIMIT Get/Set Delimiter NO NO NO

111 6F C_WRITEBLK Write Console Block NO NO NO
112 70 L_WRITEBLK Write List Block NO NO NO
128 80 M ALLOC Allocate Memory Segment NO NO NO
129 81 M ALLOC Allocate Memory Segment NO NO NO
130 82 M FREE Free Memory Segment NO NO NO
131 83 DEV POLL Poll Device NO NO NO
132 84 DEV WAITFLAG Flag Wait NO NO NO
133 85 DEV SETFLAG Flag Set NO NO NO
134 86 O MAKE Make Queue NO NO NO
135 87 O OPEN Open Queue NO NO NO
136 88 O DELETE Delete Queue NO NO NO
137 89 O READ Read Queue NO NO NO
138 8A O CREAD Conditionally Read Queue NO NO NO
139 8B O WRITE Write Oueue NO NO NO
140 8C O CWRITE Conditionally Write Queue NO NO NO
141 8D P DELAY Delay Process NO NO NO
142 8E P DISPATCH Dispatch Process NO NO NO
143 8F P TERM Terminate Calling Process NO NO NO
144 90 P CREATE Create Process NO NO NO
145 91 P PRIORITY Set Priority of Process NO NO NO
146 92 C ATTACH Attach Console NO NO NO
147 93 C DETACH Detach Console NO NO NO
148 94 C SET Set Console NO NO NO
140 95 C ASSIGN Assign Console NO NO NO
150 06 P. C. L. Coll Command Line Intern. NO. NO. NO.
151 07 D DDI Call Desident Drogodure Lib NO NO NO
152 08 E DADSE Darsa Eilanama NO NO NO
152 00 C CET Cot Consolo NO NO NO
154 0A S SYSDAT Cot SYSDAT Address NO NO NO
155 OP T SECONDS Cot Data and Time NO NO NO
155 9D 1_SECONDS Out Date and Thile NO
157 OD D ABODT Abort Specified Process NO NO NO
157 9D F_ABORT About Specified Flocess NO NO NO
150 OF L DETACH Detech List Device NO NO NO
159 9F L_DETACH Detach List Device NO NO NO
161 A1 L CATTACH Conditionally Attach List NO NO NO
162 A2 C CATTACH Conditionally Attach Con NO NO
162 A2 C_CATTACH COnditionally Attach Con. NO NO NO
105 A5 5_USVER Return version Number NU NU NU
104 A4 L_GET Get List Device Number NO NO NO

Table 2-4. MP/M II functions

Description	S	L	Η	
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System Reset	N	Ю	YES	
Console Input	NO	YI	ES	
Console Output	NC) \	YES	
Auxiliary Input	Y	ES	YES	
Auxiliary Output		YE	S YE	S
List Output	YES	YI	ES	
Direct Console I/O	Ν	0	NO	YES
Auxiliary Input Status	s N	10	NO	YES
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8 08 AXO_STAT Auxiliary Output Status NO YES 9 09 C_WRITESTR NO* YES **Print String** * 10 0A C READSTR Read Console Buffer NO* YES * 11 0B C_STAT YES YES Get Console Status * 12 OC S_BDOSVER Return BDOS Version Number NO YES * 13 0D DRV_ALLRESET Reset Disk System NO* YES 14 OE DRV_SET Select Disk YES YES 15 OF F_OPEN **Open File** YES YES 16 10 F_CLOSE YES YES Close File 17 11 F SFIRST YES YES Search for First 18 12 F_SNEXT Search for Next YES YES 19 13 F DELETE YES YES Delete File 20 14 F_READ YES YES Read Sequential 21 15 F_WRITE Write Sequential YES YES 22 16 F_MAKE Make File YES YES 23 17 F_RENAME Rename File YES YES 24 18 DRV_LOGINVEC Return Log-in Vector YES YES 25 19 DRV_GET Return Current Disk YES YES 26 1A F DMASET Set DMA Offset NO YES 27 1B DRV_ALLOCVEC Get Allocation Vector YES YES YES YES 28 1C DRV SETRO Write Protect Disk 29 1D DRV_ROVEC Get Read/Only Vector YES YES 30 1E F_ATTRIB Set File Attributes YES YES 31 1F DRV_DPB Get Disk Param. Block Addr. YES YES * 32 20 F_USERNUM Get/Set User Code NO YES 33 21 F READRAND Read Random YES YES 34 22 F_WRITERAND Write Random YES YES 35 23 F SIZE **Compute File Size** YES YES 36 24 F_RANDREC Set Random Record YES YES * 37 25 DRV RESET Reset Drive YES YES * 38 26 DRV_ACCESS Access Drive YES YES 39 27 DRV_FREE Free Drive YES YES 40 28 F_WRITEZF Write Random with Zero Fill YES YES 41 29 F_TWREC Test and Write Record NO NO NO Lock record 42 2A F LOCK YES YES 43 2B F_UNLOCK YES YES Unlock Record 44 2C F MULTISEC Set Multisector Count NO YES * 45 2D F_ERRMODE Set BDOS Error Mode NO YES 46 2E DRV SPACE Get Free Disk Space NO YES 47 2F P_CHAIN Chain to Program NO YES 48 30 DRV_FLUSH Flush Buffers NO YES 49 31 SCB_GETSET Get/set CP/M Plus SCB NO NO NO 50 32 S BIOS Direct BIOS Call NO NO NO 51 33 F DMAOFF Set DMA Base NO NO NO 52 34 F_DMAGET NO NO NO Get DMA Base 53 35 MC_MAX Get Maximum Memory NO NO NO 54 36 MC_ABSMAX Get Absolute Memory NO NO NO 55 37 MC_ALLOC Allocate Memory NO NO NO 56 38 MC_ALLOCABS Allocate Absolute Memory NO NO NO 57 39 MC_FREE NO NO NO Free memory 58 3A MC_ALLFREE Free All Memory NO NO NO * 59 3B P_LOAD Program Load NO* NO NO 60 3C RSX_CALL Call Resident System Ext. NO NO NO 61 3D ?

62 3E ? 63 3F ? 64 40 N_LOGON Log On a Server YES NO NO Log Off a Server YES NO NO 65 41 N_LOGOFF 66 42 N_SENDMSG Send a Message YES NO NO 67 43 N_GETMSG Get a Message YES NO NO 68 44 N_STAT Get Network Status NO NO NO 69 45 N RCT Get Req. Config. Table NO NO NO 70 46 N_ATTRIB Set Comp. Attributes YES NO NO YES NO NO 71 47 N SCT Get Ser. Config. Table 72 48 N_ERRMODE Set Network Error Mode NO NO NO 73 49 N_ATTACH Attach Network NO NO NO 74 4A N_DETACH NO NO NO Detach Network 75 4B N_BUFSIZ Set Message Buffer Size ? 76 4C ? 77 4D N_PARATAB Get Parameter Table NO NO NO 99 63 F_TRUNCATE Truncate File NO NO NO 100 64 DRV_SETLABEL Set Directory Label NO YES 101 65 DRV_GETLABEL Return Directory Label NO YES 102 66 F TIMEDATE Read File XFCB NO YES 103 67 F_WRITEXFCB Write File XFCB NO YES 104 68 T_SET Set Date and Time NO YES 105 69 T_GET Get Date and Time NO YES 106 6A F_PASSWD Set Default Password YES YES 107 6B S SERIAL Return Serial Number NO YES 108 6C ? 109 6D C MODE Get/Set Console Mode NO NO NO 110 6E C_DELIMIT Get/Set Delimiter NO NO NO 111 6F C WRITEBLK Write Console Block NO NO NO 112 70 L_WRITEBLK Write List Block NO NO NO NO YES 128 80 M_ALLOC Allocate Memory Segment Allocate Memory Segment 129 81 M_ALLOC NO YES 130 82 M FREE Free Memory Segment NO YES 131 83 DEV_POLL **Poll Device** NO YES 132 84 DEV WAITFLAG Flag Wait NO YES 133 85 DEV_SETFLAG Flag Set NO YES Make Queue NO YES 134 86 Q_MAKE 135 87 Q_OPEN **Open Queue** NO YES 136 88 Q_DELETE Delete Queue NO YES 137 89 Q_READ NO YES Read Queue 138 8A Q_CREAD Conditionally Read Queue NO YES Write Queue NO YES 139 8B Q_WRITE 140 8C Q_CWRITE Conditionally Write Queue NO YES 141 8D P DELAY **Delay Process** NO YES 142 8E P_DISPATCH **Dispatch Process** NO YES 143 8F P TERM Terminate Calling Process NO YES 144 90 P_CREATE Create Process NO YES 145 91 P_PRIORITY Set Priority of Process NO YES Attach Console 146 92 C_ATTACH NO YES 147 93 C DETACH **Detach** Console NO YES 148 94 C_SET Set Console NO YES 149 95 C ASSIGN NO YES Assign Console

150	96 P_CLI	Call Command Line In	nterp. NO YES
151	97 P_RPL	Call Resident Procedu	re Lib.NO YES
152	98 F_PARSE	Parse Filename	NO YES
153	99 C_GET	Get Console	NO YES
154	9A S_SYSDA	T Get SYSDAT Ad	dress NO YES
155	9B T_SECON	DS Get Date and Tin	ne NO YES
156	9C P_PDADR	Return Proc. Desc.	Address NO YES
157	9D P_ABORT	Abort Specified Pr	rocess NO YES
158	9E L_ATTAC	H Attach List Devic	e NO YES
159	9F L_DETAC	H Detach List Devic	e NO YES
160	A0 L_SET	Set List Device	NO YES
161	A1 L_CATTA	CH Conditionally A	ttach List NO YES
162	A2 C_CATTA	CH Conditionally A	ttach Con. NO YES
163	A3 S_OSVER	Return Version Nu	mber NO YES
164	A4 L_GET	Get List Device Nun	nber NO YES

Table 2-5. CP/M-86 functions

Dec Hex Mnemonic	Description	R L H
* 0 00 P_TERMCPM	1 System Reset	NO YES
1 01 C_READ	Console Input	NO YES
$2 02 C_WRITE$	Console Output	NO YES
3 03 AUX_READ	Auxiliary Input	NO NO NO
4 04 AUX_WRITE	Auxiliary Output	NO NO NO
* 5 05 L_WRITE	List Output	YES YES
6 06 C_RAWIO	Direct Console I/O	NO YES
7 07 AXI_STAT	Auxiliary Input Stat	us NO NO NO
8 08 AXO_STAT	Auxiliary Output S	tatus NO NO NO
9 09 C_WRITEST	R Print String	NO YES
10 OA C_READSTR	R Read Console Bu	iffer NO YES
11 OB C_STAT	Get Console Status	NO YES
* 12 OC S_BDOSVE	R Return BDOS V	ersion Number NO YES
* 13 0D DRV_ALLR	ESET Reset Disk Sy	vstem NO* YES
14 OE DRV_SET	Select Disk	YES YES
15 OF F_OPEN	Open File	YES YES
16 10 F_CLOSE	Close File	YES YES
17 11 F_SFIRST	Search for First	YES YES
18 12 F_SNEXT	Search for Next	YES YES
19 13 F_DELETE	Delete File	YES YES
20 14 F_READ	Read Sequential	YES YES
21 15 F_WRITE	Write Sequential	YES YES
22 16 F_MAKE	Make File	YES YES
23 17 F_RENAME	Rename File	YES YES
24 18 DRV_LOGIN	VEC Return Log-in	Vector YES YES
25 19 DRV_GET	Return Current Disl	K YES YES
26 1A F_DMASET	Set DMA Offset	NO YES
27 1B DRV_ALLO	CVEC Get Allocation	n Vector YES YES
28 1C DRV_SETRO	D Write Protect Dis	sk YES YES
29 1D DRV_ROVE	C Get Read/Only V	Vector YES YES
30 1E F_ATTRIB	Set File Attributes	YES YES
31 1F DRV_DPB	Get Disk Param. Bl	lock Addr. YES YES
* 32 20 F_USERNUM	M Get/Set User Co	de NO YES

33 21 F_READRAND Read Random YES YES 34 22 F WRITERAND Write Random YES YES 35 23 F SIZE Compute File Size YES YES 36 24 F_RANDREC Set Random Record YES YES * 37 25 DRV_RESET Reset Drive YES YES * 38 26 DRV_ACCESS Access Drive YES YES YES YES 39 27 DRV_FREE Free Drive 40 28 F WRITEZF Write Random with Zero Fill YES YES 41 29 F_TWREC Test and Write Record NO NO NO 42 2A F LOCK YES NO NO Lock record 43 2B F_UNLOCK Unlock Record YES NO NO * 44 2C F_MULTISEC Set Multisector Count YES YES * 45 2D F ERRMODE Set BDOS Error Mode NO YES 46 2E DRV_SPACE Get Free Disk Space YES NO NO 47 2F P_CHAIN Chain to Program NO NO 48 30 DRV_FLUSH Flush Buffers YES NO NO 49 31 SCB GETSET Get/set CP/M Plus SCB NO NO NO * 50 32 S_BIOS Direct BIOS Call NO* YES 51 33 F DMAOFF Set DMA Base NO YES 52 34 F_DMAGET NO YES Get DMA Base 53 35 MC MAX Get Maximum Memory NO YES 54 36 MC_ABSMAX Get Absolute Memory NO YES 55 37 MC_ALLOC Allocate Memory NO YES 56 38 MC_ALLOCABS Allocate Absolute Memory NO YES 57 39 MC_FREE Free memory NO YES 58 3A MC_ALLFREE Free All Memory NO YES * 59 3B P_LOAD Program Load NO* YES 60 3C RSX CALL Call Resident System Ext. NO NO NO 61 3D ? 62 3E ? 63 3F ? 64 40 N_LOGON Log On a Server YES NO NO Log Off a Server YES NO NO 65 41 N_LOGOFF Send a Message 66 42 N_SENDMSG NO NO NO Get a Message 67 43 N_GETMSG NO NO NO 68 44 N_STAT YES NO NO Get Network Status 69 45 N RCT Get Req. Config. Table YES NO NO 70 46 N_ATTRIB Set Comp. Attributes YES NO NO 71 47 N SCT Get Ser. Config. Table YES NO NO 72 48 N_ERRMODE Set Network Error Mode NO NO NO 73 49 N ATTACH Attach Network NO NO NO 74 4A N_DETACH NO NO NO Detach Network 75 4B N BUFSIZ Set Message Buffer Size ? 76 4C ? 77 4D N_PARATAB Get Parameter Table YES NO YES NO NO 99 63 F_TRUNCATE Truncate File 100 64 DRV_SETLABEL Set Directory Label YES NO NO 101 65 DRV_GETLABEL Return Directory Label YES NO NO 102 66 F_TIMEDATE Read File XFCB YES NO NO 103 67 F_WRITEXFCB Write File XFCB YES NO YES 104 68 T SET Set Date and Time NO NO YES *105 69 T GET YES NO NO Get Date and Time *106 6A F PASSWD Set Default Password YES NO YES

107 6B S_SERIAL **Return Serial Number** NO NO NO 108 6C ? 109 6D C_MODE Get/Set Console Mode NO NO NO 110 6E C_DELIMIT Get/Set Delimiter NO NO NO 111 6F C_WRITEBLK Write Console Block NO NO NO *112 70 L_WRITEBLK Write List Block NO* NO NO 128 80 M ALLOC Allocate Memory Segment NO NO NO Allocate Memory Segment 129 81 M_ALLOC NO NO NO 130 82 M FREE Free Memory Segment NO NO NO 131 83 DEV_POLL Poll Device NO NO NO 132 84 DEV_WAITFLAG Flag Wait NO NO NO 133 85 DEV_SETFLAG Flag Set NO NO NO Make Queue *134 86 Q_MAKE YES NO NO 135 87 Q_OPEN Open Queue YES NO NO 136 88 Q_DELETE Delete Queue YES NO NO 137 89 Q READ Read Queue YES NO NO 138 8A Q_CREAD Conditionally Read Queue YES NO NO 139 8B Q WRITE Write Queue YES NO NO 140 8C Q_CWRITE Conditionally Write Queue YES NO NO **Delay Process** NO NO YES 141 8D P DELAY NO NO YES 142 8E P_DISPATCH Dispatch Process *143 8F P_TERM Terminate Calling Process NO YES *144 90 P_CREATE Create Process NO NO NO 145 91 P_PRIORITY Set Priority of Process NO NO YES 146 92 C_ATTACH Attach Console NO NO YES 147 93 C_DETACH Detach Console NO NO YES 148 94 C SET Set Console NO NO NO 149 95 C_ASSIGN Assign Console NO NO YES 150 96 P CLI Call Command Line Interp. NO NO NO 151 97 P_RPL Call Resident Procedure Lib.NO NO NO Parse Filename 152 98 F PARSE NO YES 153 99 C_GET Get Console NO YES 154 9A S_SYSDAT Get SYSDAT Address NO YES *155 9B T_SECONDS Get Date and Time YES NO NO 156 9C P_PDADR Return Proc. Desc. Address NO YES 157 9D P ABORT Abort Specified Process NO NO NO 158 9E L ATTACH Attach List Device YES NO NO YES NO YES 159 9F L DETACH **Detach List Device** 160 A0 L_SET YES NO YES Set List Device Conditionally Attach List YES NO NO 161 A1 L CATTACH Conditionally Attach Con. NO NO YES 162 A2 C_CATTACH 163 A3 S OSVER Return Version Number NO NO YES YES NO NO 164 A4 L_GET Get List Device Number

Table 2-6. Concurrent CP/M functions

Dec Hex Mnemonic	Description	S R L H
* 0 00 P_TERMCPM	System Reset	NO NO YES
1 01 C_READ C	Console Input	YES NO YES
2 02 C_WRITE (Console Output	YES NO YES
* 3 03 AUX_READ	Auxiliary Input	YES NO NO YES

* 4 04 AUX_WRITE **Auxiliary Output** YES NO NO YES * YES YES YES 5 05 L_WRITE List Output 6 06 C_RAWIO Direct Console I/O YES NO YES **Auxiliary Input Status** 7 07 AXI_STAT NO NO NO YES 8 08 AXO_STAT **Auxiliary Output Status** NO NO NO YES * 9 09 C_WRITESTR Print String NO* NO YES * 10 0A C_READSTR Read Console Buffer NO* NO YES * 11 0B C STAT Get Console Status YES NO YES * 12 OC S_BDOSVER Return BDOS Version Number NO NO YES * 13 0D DRV ALLRESET Reset Disk System NO* NO* YES 14 OE DRV SET Select Disk YES YES YES 15 OF F OPEN **Open File** YES YES YES 16 10 F CLOSE YES YES YES Close File 17 11 F_SFIRST Search for First YES YES YES 18 12 F_SNEXT Search for Next YES YES YES 19 13 F_DELETE Delete File YES YES YES 20 14 F READ Read Sequential YES YES YES 21 15 F_WRITE Write Sequential YES YES YES 22 16 F MAKE Make File YES YES YES 23 17 F RENAME YES YES YES Rename File 24 18 DRV_LOGINVEC Return Log-in Vector YES YES YES YES YES YES 25 19 DRV_GET Return Current Disk 26 1A F_DMASET Set DMA Offset NO NO YES 27 1B DRV_ALLOCVEC Get Allocation Vector YES YES YES 28 1C DRV_SETRO YES YES YES Write Protect Disk 29 1D DRV ROVEC Get Read/Only Vector YES YES YES 30 1E F_ATTRIB Set File Attributes YES YES YES 31 1F DRV DPB Get Disk Param. Block Addr. YES YES YES * 32 20 F_USERNUM Get/Set User Code NO NO YES YES YES YES 33 21 F READRAND Read Random YES YES YES 34 22 F_WRITERAND Write Random YES YES YES 35 23 F_SIZE **Compute File Size** 36 24 F_RANDREC Set Random Record YES YES YES YES YES YES * 37 25 DRV_RESET **Reset Drive** * 38 26 DRV_ACCESS Access Drive YES YES YES 39 27 DRV_FREE Free Drive YES YES YES 40 28 F WRITEZF Write Random with Zero Fill YES YES YES 41 29 F_TWREC Test and Write Record NO NO NO NO 42 2A F LOCK Lock record YES YES YES 43 2B F_UNLOCK Unlock Record YES YES YES * 44 2C F MULTISEC Set Multisector Count YES YES YES * 45 2D F_ERRMODE Set BDOS Error Mode NO NO YES 46 2E DRV_SPACE Get Free Disk Space YES YES YES * 47 2F P_CHAIN Chain to Program NO* NO* YES 48 30 DRV_FLUSH NO NO YES Flush Buffers 49 31 SCB GETSET Get/set CP/M Plus SCB NO NO NO NO * 50 32 S_BIOS NO* NO* YES Direct BIOS Call 51 33 F DMAOFF Set DMA Base NO NO YES 52 34 F_DMAGET Get DMA Base NO NO YES 53 35 MC_MAX Get Maximum Memory NO NO YES 54 36 MC_ABSMAX Get Absolute Memory NO NO YES NO NO YES 55 37 MC ALLOC Allocate Memory 56 38 MC_ALLOCABS Allocate Absolute Memory NO NO YES 57 39 MC FREE Free memory NO NO YES

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146 92 C_ATTACH Attach Console NO NO YES 147 93 C_DETACH **Detach Console** NO NO YES 148 94 C_SET Set Console NO NO YES 149 95 C_ASSIGN NO NO YES Assign Console Call Command Line Interp. NO NO YES 150 96 P CLI Call Resident Procedure Lib.NO NO YES 151 97 P_RPL 152 98 F_PARSE Parse Filename NO NO YES 153 99 C_GET Get Console NO NO YES 154 9A S_SYSDAT Get SYSDAT Address NO NO YES *155 9B T SECONDS Get Date and Time YES NO YES 156 9C P_PDADR Return Proc. Desc. Address NO NO YES 157 9D P ABORT Abort Specified Process NO NO YES 158 9E L ATTACH YES YES YES Attach List Device 159 9F L_DETACH **Detach List Device** YES YES YES 160 A0 L_SET NO NO YES Set List Device Conditionally Attach List YES YES YES 161 A1 L_CATTACH 162 A2 C_CATTACH Conditionally Attach Con. NO NO YES 163 A3 S_OSVER Return Version Number NO NO YES 164 A4 L GET Get List Device Number NO NO YES

2.2 Implementation notes

Several system calls are flagged with an asterisk ("*") in Tables 2-2 through 2-6, to indicate that the network context affects their operation, or introduces some new considerations. In all cases, the exception is only a concern when the call is networked. The calls earmarked in the tables are described below in numeric order.

 Table 2-7. Implementation notes

Format: Number, Mnemonic Description

0 P_TERMCPM

Before a process is terminated by the local operating system, the NDOS logs off all servers in the process's Log-on Table. P_TERMCPM does not affect the networkstatus of any parent or child processes.

3 C_RAWIN

The Concurrent CP/M server is programmed to interpret a function 3 as a raw console input. This maintains compatibility with CP/NET Version 1.2 requesters, which allowed local consoles to be mapped to remote servers. Under DR Net, consoles cannot be mapped. For more information on the use of this function, see the "CP/NET System Manual".

4 C_RAWOUT

Like C_RAWIN, this function is interpreted by the Concurrent CP/M server to maintain compatibility with CP/NET Version 1.2. Consoles cannot be mapped to servers under DR Net. For more information on the use of this function, see the "CP/NET System Manual".

5 L_WRITE

The NDOS does not output every L_WRITE function mapped to a remote list device (printer). Instead, it accumulates the characters in a buffer until 64 characters (in requesters based on Concurrent CP/M or CP/M-86) or 128 characters (in requesters based on CP/NET Version 1.2) have been gathered. When the buffer is full, the call is sent as a function 5 with the buffer contents. When the shadow process receives a function 5, it knows to print the entire contents of the message, rather than a single character.

The bundling and transfer of data blocks is handled transparently with one important difference: the last buffer might need to be flushed explicitly. Any of the following calls can be used for this purpose:

00: P_TERMCPM 65: N_LOGOFF 74: N_DETACH 143: P_TERM 159: L_DETACH 160: L_SETNUM

Note: MP/M II servers interpret an 0FFh in a print file as an end of the listing indicator. DR Net servers do not interpret an 0FFh as a special character, and treat it as any other character in the print file.

9 C_WRITESTR

This function is only supported for the sake of CP/NET Version 1.2 requesters. When the requester receives a function 9, it decomposes the call into a series of function 6s. DR Net does not allow the mapping of consoles over the network.

10 C_READSTR

This function is only supported for the sake of CP/NET Version 1.2 requesters. When the requester receives a function 10, it decomposes the call into a series of function 6s. DR Net does not allow the mapping of consoles over the network.

11 C_STAT

This function is only supported for the sake of CP/NET Version 1.2 requesters. DR Net does not allow the mapping of consoles over the network.

12 S_BDOSVER

In nodes based on CP/M-86 and Concurrent CP/M, the NDOS always traps this call and return BDOS Version number 1431h (= 8086 Concurrent CP/M Release 3.1). In requesters based on CP/NET Version 1.2, the version number returned is 0122h (= 8080 MP/M II Release 2.2).

13 DRV_ALLRESET

This function is decomposed into the following two calls: DRV_SET (select disk A) and DRV_RESET (drive vector = 0FFFFh). Note, however, that function 13 only resets a drive when there are no open files on it. If one drive has an open file, no drives are reset.

32 F_USERNUM

A DR Net requester does not send this function to the server. However, file

user numbers are supported. (The file user number is sent with all read or write file messages.)

37 DRV_RESET

Just like function 13, DRV_RESET is conditional under DR Net. That is, an attempt to reset a remote drive returns failure when there is an open file on it.

38 DRV_ACCESS

Recall that this call inserts a special open file item into the system Lock List for every drive specified. The item is not entered, however, if the Lock List is full or the new entry puts the Lock List over its limit. In the network environment where the drive vector in register DX can reference drives on many different servers, it is possible to get a rejection from one server and success from others. Function 38 enters the item in the server's Lock List until it encounters a full server. Subsequently, the error message is returned and the function aborted. The successful entries remain intact, however.

44 F_MULTISEC

Multisector transfers can be made from requesters based on CP/M-86. A special buffer is reserved within DR Net, and the NDOS is written to provide all the support for this call.

45 F_ERRMODE

Use of the non-default BDOS error modes ("Return" or "Return and Display") is available to CP/M-86 requesters. Function 45 can be invoked without ill effects, and causes the NDOS to intercede when a non-network error response is received from a server. (The NDOS's response to network errors is controlled by function 72, N_ERRMODE.) However, local error conditions always result in the default BDOS error mode ("Display and Abort"), regardless of the mode selected by function 45.

47 P_CHAIN

The Concurrent CP/M SUP module decomposes this function into a series of other system calls. Because DR net supports all functions in this series, P_CHAIN can be used when the files referenced are remote.

50 S_BIOS

The NDOS does not intercept BIOS, XIOS, or S_BIOS calls. However, Concurrent CP/M converts S_BIOS calls to a list device into function 5 calls. These are handled as explained in the function 5 description above.

59 P_LOAD

P_LOAD is similar to P_CHAIN in that both are decomposed into a series of other functions. Because DR Net supports all functions in this series, P_LOAD can be used when the files referenced are remote.

105 T_GET

The CP/M-86 requester NDOS traps this call, and sends it to the default server for execution. In a requester based on Concurrent CP/M, however, the NDOS does not output this function. Instead, it is routed to the local system for execution.

106 F_PASSWD

The default password stored by this function is suitable only to provide file access. Whether the file is local or remotely-based is irrelevant. A default-server password can be stored in a requester, but this parameter is entered at system generation time, rather than by function call.

112 L_WRITEBLK

The Concurrent CP/M requester translates this call into a series of function 5, L_WRITE, calls.

134 Q_MAKE

All queue-related functions are supported with the following limitation: the maximum queue size is defined as the maximum message size minus one.

143 P_TERM

Like P_TERMCPM, function 143 is passed on to the local operating system for execution. However, before doing so, the NDOS sends a series of N_LOGOFF messages to all servers in that process's Log-on Table, and clears the print buffer. P_TERM does not affect the network status of any parent or child process.

144 P_CREATE

After a process has been logged on a server, all child processes it creates are automatically logged on as well. When P_CREATE is called, the NDOS intercepts it, and checks the calling process's parent to see if it is logged on. If the parent is logged on, the child is given a network environment consisting of a Network Data Area, Requester Configuration Table pointer, and Log-on Table.

Note: Although a child process inherits its parent's log-on Table, N_LOGON message are not sent until the child accesses a mapped resource. When this occurs, DR Net sends the N_LOGON to the designated server only. Other servers in the child's Log-on Table are also logged on only as needed.

155 T_SECONDS

Like function 105, T_GET, the Concurrent CP/M server process is equipped to perform function 155, but only CP/M-86 requesters are capable of issuing it. A requester based on Concurrent CP/M always routes this function to its local system.

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Section 3: DR Net error handling

Programs can encounter two kinds of errors when using the network:

- the standard array of BDOS physical errors, extended errors, and error codes caused by failures of the local or remote system
- network errors caused by failures in the network interface

This section describes how DR Net responds to BDOS failures within the local and server systems, and to network failures.

Note: This description of error handling is applicable only to requester nodes running CP/M-86 or Concurrent CP/M, and servers nodes running Concurrent CP/M. For more information regarding CP/NET Version 1.2 error handling, see the "CP/NET Reference Manual".

3.1 Local and remote BDOS errors

BDOS-related errors are reported to a program according to the conventions of the operating system under which the failure occurred. In a requester node, an error condition resulting from a call to a local resource is reported without DR Net's intervention. DR Net returns error codes resulting from remote disk drive, list device, or queue calls in registers AX, BX, and CX according to Concurrent CP/M Release 3.1 convention, in the standard display format.

BDOS errors alone do not bring down the server. Nor do they terminate the connection between a requester and its server. When a server returns the error code, the requester remains logged on, and subsequent network transactions can be conducted between the two. However, if the requester aborts as a result of the error, the server is logged off.

How the requester system responds to a BDOS error depends on the resident operating system, the current BDOS error mode, and whether the error resulted from a local or remote operation. In CP/M-86 requesters, all local and remote errors are handled according to the ruls of the "Abort and Display" error mode. However, function 45, F_ERRMODE, can be used to select one of the alternative modes, "Return" or "Return and Display", to handle remote errors. In this case, the NDOS mediates, and presents the error code to the calling

program according to the mode selected. The use of function 45 does not change CP/M-86's response to local errors from the default mode.

Under Concurrent CP/M, the default error mode is the "Display and Abort" mode. The "Return" or the "Return and Display" mode can be selected with function 45. In this case, the mode selected changes Concurrent CP/M's response for both local and remote errors.

The BDOS error mode selected with function 45 does not determine the NDOS's response to network errors. The network error mode is set by function 72, N_ERRMODE.

3.2 DR Net errors

Network-related error codes are returned according to the standard Concurrent CP/M rules for extended errors. This convention reports an error by returning an 0FFh in register AL, and the error code in register AH. How the error is reported to the calling process depends upon the current network error mode. In the default mode, a network error causes the program to abort, and the screen to display one of the following error messages. The number in parenthesis indicates the BDOS extended error code returned to the calling process.

Network Error: Server Not Logged (0CFFh) Network Error: Requester Error (0DFFh) Network Error: Physical Transmission Error (0EFFh)

3.2.1 DR Net error codes

Table 3-1 lists the error conditions by the value returned in register AH. The descriptions indicate the possible causes for the error, and the impact of that error with respect to the requesters relationship to the server.

Table 3-1. DR Net error codes

Format: AH value, Error name Description

0Ch Server Error Code 0Ch indicates that the call was received by the server, but that it was unable to execute it for one of the following reasons:

- The requester is not logged on that server.

- The server does not support the requested function.

0Dh Requester Error Code 0Dh indicates that the call could not be implemented for one of the following reasons:

- The requester is logged on too many servers.
- A process called N_ATTACH when the maximum number of Requester Configuration Tables have already been copied.
- An illegal configuration table operation has occurred.

An illegal configuration table operation occurs when function 69, N_RCT, attempts an illegal change to the Requester Configuration Table. For example, a request to change the mapping of drive U is illegal.

0Eh Physical Network Error

Code 0Eh is returned when the NIOS returns an error condition. This results from one of the following reasons:

- The NIOS could not guarantee that the message was received intact.
- The NIOS did not receive a response from the server within a time limit specified by the transaction time-out.

0FFh Network Not Attached

Code 0FFh is not actually a network error. It is the error code returned to indicate that an unimplemented function has been called. This error code occurs in the network context when a network function is called before the network has been attached.

Network errors 0Ch and 0Eh cause selective log-offs from the designated server. For example, when a requester receives either error code 0Ch or 0Eh, the server is logged off for that process. However, no other servers are logged off, and the offending server remains logged on in all other processes. On the other hand, error 0Dh never logs off a server. None of these error conditions detach the node from the network.

3.2.2 DR Net time-out errors

DR Net contains the following time-out mechanisms:

- Requester-based transaction time-out
- Server-based keep-alive time-out

In the following descriptions of these timers, reference is made to the DR Net Parameter and Server Configuration Tables. For information on the Parameter Table, see the description of function 77, N_PARATAB, in Section 3. For information on the Server Configuration Table, see the description of function 71, N_SCT, also in Section 4.

Transaction time-out

The requester-based transaction time-out is set when the requester successfully sends a message to a server. It limits the time the requester waits for a server's response. Should the transaction time-out expires before the response message has been received, an extended physical error, code 0Eh, is returned to the calling process.

The duration of the transaction time-out is defined during DR Net system generation from a prompt in the GENNET program. The value is then stored in the Parameter Table.

Keep-alive time-out

The server-based keep-alive time-out is provided to prevent a requester that has crashed, or from any reason become disconnected from the network, from locking up server resources. Periodically, each requester sends a special keep-alive message to every server it is logged on to. When a server does not receive this signal within a given time period, it terminates all shadow processes created for that requester, and purges the requester node from its Server Configuration Table. No error message is returned to the requester from a keep-alive time-out.

The duration of the keep-alive time-out is proprietary to DR Net, and cannot be changed. Note that slack has been built into the server, so that one or two lost keep-alive messages (for example, from spurious transmission failures) are tolerated.

3.2.3 DR Net error modes

DR Net allows you to select between one of three error response modes with function 72, N_ERRMODE. (N_ERRMODE is described in Section 4.) The mode selected determines only the NDOS response to network errors 0Ch, 0Dh, and 0Eh. The response mode to local and remote BDOS errors is selected only with function 45. The three options, which closely parallel the BDOS error modes, offer the alternatives described in Table 3-2.

Table 3-2. DR Net error modes

Format: Mode Meaning

"Return"

Write an 0FFh to AL; write the network error code (0Ch, 0Dh or 0Eh) to AH; duplicate these values in BL and BH; and return to the calling program.

"Return and Display"

Return the error code in AX and BX as above, display the error message on the process's console, and return to the calling process.

"Abort and Display" Abort the program, display the error message on the process's console, and return to the system prompt level.

The "Abort and Display" mode is the default mode selected when DR Net is loaded.

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Section 4: DR Net system calls

This section describes the DR Net network system calls. Of the 10 functions supported in the NDOS, functions 64 to 71 are compatible with with their CP/NET Version 1.2 namesakes. The functions in the range 72 through 77 are new. Table 4-1 lists the network functions alphabetically, and summarizes the input parameters and return values for each function.

Table 4-1. DR Net system calls

Mnemonic	Dec	Hex	Input parameter	Return values
N_ATTACH	 I 73	3 49	DX: Process ID	AX: Return Code
N_ATTRIB	70	46	DL: Compatibility	AX: Return Code
		Mode	Byte	
N_DETACH	H 74	4 4A	DX: Process ID	AX: Return Code
N_ERRMO	DE ′	72 48	DL: Error Mode	e AX: 0000h
N_LOGOFF	65	i 41	DS,DX: Long poi	nter to AX: Return Code
	L	og-on H	Parameter Block	
N_LOGON	64	40	DS,DX: Long point	nter to AX: Return Code
	L	og-on H	Parameter Block	
N_PARATA	AB 7	7 4D	DS,DX: Long p	ointer to AX: Return Code
	Pa	aramete	er Table Buffer	
N_RCT 6	59 4	5 D	S,DX: Long pointe	er to AL: Return Code
	R	CT Co	ntrol Block	
N_SCT 7	1 4	7 D	S,DX: Long pointe	r to AX: Return Code
	Se	erver C	onfiguration	
	Та	able (S	CT) Buffer	
N_STAT	68	44 ľ	None A	X: Network Status Word

The DR Net calling convention regarding the use of the CPU registers is shown in Table 4-2.

Table 4-2. System call register usage

Entry parameters	Returned values
CL: Hex function number	AX: Return code
DL/DX: Byte/Word value	BX: Same as AX
DX: Address Offset	CX: Concurrent CP/M error code (if any)

DS: Address -- Segment

In operation, DR Net preserves the contents of registers SI, DI, BP, SP, SS, DS, and CS. ES is also preserved, unless the value is replaced by a return segement value. This rule applies to calls trapped and executed remotely, as well as those network calls executed locally by DR Net.

The remainder of this section describes each network function: its input parameters, options, and return values.

Note: The possible error codes returned from the network functions include not only the extended network errors 0CFFh, 0DGGh, and 0EFFh, but also your operating system's error code for an illegal function. This code occurs whenever the network is called but the process is not attached. In this case, the function is passed to the local operating system, where it is not recognized as a legitiamte system call.

In the descriptions that follow, error code OFFFFh indicates an illegitimate system call. This code is consistent with Concurrent CP/M's response to an illegal system call, and is accompanied by a 02h in register CX. Other operating systems might treat illegal functions differently. Refer to the manual provided with your operating system for the illegal system call error code.

N_ATTACH

Attach process to network

Entry Parameters:

Register CL: 49h (73) DX: 0ffset to Process Descriptor (0000h attaches calling process)

Returned Values: Register AX: 0000h if success 0FFFFh if attach unsuccessful BX: Same as AX

Function 73 attaches the process specified in DX to the network. The value in DX is offset to the Process Descriptor. If this value is 0000h, the current process is assumed.

N_ATTACH returns 0000h in AX if the attach is successful, or 0FFFFh if the attach is unsuccessful. Failure to attach is attributable to an invalid Process Descriptor address, to an overflow of available Static Buffer (see Note below) space, or to an inability to create another Requester Configuration Table.

Note: The DR Net "Static Buffer" is a reserved data area created implicitly during DR Net system generation from the number of server and requester processes specified. The Network Data Area is the work space required by DR Net to sustain an attached process. The Network Data Area is only deallocated when N_DETACH is called and there is no previous Requester Configuration Table to replace the current one.

If both the calling process and its parent are not attached, a N_ATTACH causes the following events to occur:

- The network flag in the process's Process Descriptor is set.
- The process is allocated a Network Data Area (NDA) within the DR Net Static Buffer (see Note above).
- The process is allocated a blank Log-on Table.
- The process is allocated a first generation copy of the master Requester Configuration Table.
- The process is given an arbitrarily assigned network process ID, to distinguish it from other attached processes running on the same requester.

Child processes created by an attached process are automatically attached when they are created. In this case, the child is allocated its own NDA, its own Log-on Table (copied from its parent's Log-on Table), and its own network process ID. However, the child shares its parent's Requester Configuration Table, until the child calls N_ATTACH to get its own copy.

Note: Existing child processes are not automatically attached when their parent is attached.

If an attached process calls N_ATTACH, there is a slightly different result. No new NDA, Log-on Table, or network process ID are allocated, but a new copy of the requester Configuration Table is made. This copy is made from the process's current requester Configuration Table, rather than the master.

N_ATTACH does not log on a requester to a server. This requires a separate N_LOGON call. In all cases, a process must be attached before it can log on.

N_ATTRIB

Set compatibility attributes

Entry Parameters: Register CL: 46h (70) DL: Compatibility Mode Byte

Returned Values: Register AX: 0000h if success 0EFFFh if physical network error 0FFFFh if network not attached BX: Same as AX

Function 70 is called only in CP/M-86 requesters. It signals a server that a

program with compatibility attributes is to be loaded. This allows older applications to run without modification on Concurrent CP/M servers. There is never any need to call this function from an application. The Compatibility Mode Byte is constructed by the NDOS from compatibility attributes F1 through F4.

N_DETACH

Detach process from current environment

Entry Parameters: Register CL: 4Ah (74) DL: Offset to Process Descriptor (0000h detaches calling process)

Returned Values: Register AX: 0000h if success 0FFFFh if detach failed BX: Same as AX

Function 74 detaches the process specified in DX from its current environment. It DOES NOT necessarily detach the process completely from the network. The value in DX is the offset to the Process Descriptor. If 0000h is specified, the current process is assumed.

N_DETACH returns 0000h in AX if successful, or 0FFFFh if the detach failed. Failure of this call results when an invalid Process Descriptor is put in DX, when the calling process is not already attached to the network, or when the process specified in DX is not attached.

What happens to a process that calls N_DETACH depends upon the generation number of its Requester Configuration Table (RCT). (See below for a review of RCT generations.) If the process has a first generation Requester Configuration Table, the following actions result:

- A N_LOGOFF message is sent to all servers in the process's Log-on Table. This terminates the process's shadow processes.
- The process's NDA and Log-on Table are deallocated.
- The process's network print buffer is flushed. (See the description of function 5, L_WRITE, in Section 2.2, "Implementation notes", for a description of the network print buffer.)

If the process has a second or higher generation Requester Configuration Table, an N_DETACH results in the following actions:

- The process's network print buffer is flushed.
- The process's Requester Configuration Table is replaced with the previous generation copy.

- The former Requester Configuration Table is deallocated if there is no possibility that an attached process will ever refer to it. Otherwise, the Requester Configuration Table remains allocated.

No other processes are affected by an N_DETACH.

A first generation Requester Configuration Table (RCT) is a copy of the master Requester Configuration Table. Second and third generation copies result when a process calls the N_ATTACH function a second and third time. See Section 1.3, "Network environments", for the description of how you use the N_ATTACH and N_DETACH functions to change generations of Requester Configuration Tables.

N_ERRMODE

Set network error mode

Entry Parameters: Register CL: 48h (72) DL: Error Mode

Returned Values: Register AX: 0000h if success 0FFFFh if network not attached BX: Same as AX

Function 72 determines how DR Net responds to network errors. The contents of register DL specify one of three modes. This function always returns a success code, unless the network is not attached.

N_ERRMODE is similar to function 45, F_ERRMODE, with respect to the three response modes. N_ERRMODE differs in that it controls the response to extended network errors 0CFFh, 0DFFh, and 0EFFh only.

The three error mode options are listed in Table 4-3 by their register DL code. All values are dexadecimal, and "xx" means any value other than "Ff" or "FE".

Table 4-3. Network error modes

Format: Code and Error response mode Definition

FF "Return" mode

Return to the calling process with the error code in registers AX, BX, and CX. (Recall that CX contains the value 02h for all extended network errors.) Error recovery is expected to be performed by the application.

FE "Display and Return" mode

Display the error message on the console, and return the error code to the process as described in "Return" mode. Error recovery is expected to be performed by the application.

xx "Display and Abort" mode

Display the error message on the console, and abort the process.

The "Display and Abort" mode is the default error mode. When a network error occurs in this mode, the process's print buffers are flushed, and the server specified in the message is logged off before the message is displayed and the process aborted. The operator is returned to the host operating system, and the node remains attached to the network.

For more information on the extended network errors and how DR Net handles all error conditions, see Section 3, "DR Net error handling".

N_LOGOFF

Terminate the link with a server node

Entry Parameters:

Register CL: 41h (65) DX: LPB Address -- Offset DS: LPB Address -- Segment

Returned Values:

Register AX: 0000h if success 0CFFh if server error 0DFFh if process specified is not attached 0EFFh if physical network error 0FFFFh if network not attached BX: Same as AX

Function 65 disconnects a process from a server. It requires a long pointer to the Log-on Parameter Block (see Figure 4-1) in registers DS and DX. This data structure contains the offset to the process descriptor to be logged off and the server node ID number. If 0000h is specified in the process ID field, the current process is assumed. Note that the ASCII Password field in the Log-on Parameter Block is not used with N_LOGOFF.

N_LOGOFF indicates success by returning 0000h in register AX. Failure is indicated by a number of error codes. Table 4-4 lists the codes and their meanings.

Table 4-4. N_LOGOFF error code definitions

Format: Error code Definition

0CFFh

The process specified in the Log-on Parameter Block is not logged on the specified server.

0DFFh

The process specified in the Log-on Parameter Block is not attached.

0EFFh

A network error occurred during the log off. This code can be interpreted to indicate that either the request or response got garbled in transmission, the server is off-line, or the server is already logged off.

0FFFFh

The calling process is not attached.

Calling N_LOGOFF results in the following sequence of actions:

- The process's print buffer is flushed. (See the description of function 5, L_WRITE, in Section 2.2, "Implementation notes", for an explanation of the print buffer.)
- A log-off message is created and sent to the specified server.
- The server checks its list of shadow processes. When the requester process specified in the Log-on Parameter Table is matched, the shadow is terminated and the server returns a success message. If no match is found, the server returns error 0CFFh.
- The requester purges the server's ID number from the specified process's Log-on Table.

N_LOGON

Log on a process to a server

Entry Parameters: Register CL: 40h (64) DX: LPB Address -- Offset DS: LPB Address -- Segment

Returned Values:

Register AX: 0000h if success 00FFh if no shadow process available 07FFh if wrong password 0CFFh if server network error 0DFFh if maximum servers are logged on, or specified process not attached. 0EFFh if physical network error 0FFFFh if calling process not attached BX: Same as AX

Function 64 connects a requester process to a server. It requires a long pointer to the Log-on Parameter Block in registers DS and DX. Figure 4-1 illustrates the contents of the Log-on Parameter Block, and Table 4-5 describes each field.

0 12345678 9A

+----+ | Server ID Number | ASCII Password | Process ID (*) |

+-----+

(*) Offset to process descriptor: a 0000h value indicates current process.

Figure 4-1. Log-on Parameter Block

Table 4-5. Log-on Parameter Block field descriptions

Format: Field Meaning

Server ID Number The logical node number of the server. The number is valid for values 00h through FEh.

ASCII Password

The password that must be matched by the server before it creates a shadow process for the requester.

Process ID

The offset to the process descriptor of the process to be logged on. A 0000h value indicates the current process.

N_LOGON indicates success by returning 0000h in register AX. Failure is indicated by the error codes shown. Table 4-6 describes the meaning of each error code.

Table 4-6. N_LOGON error code definitions

Format: Error code Meaning

00FFh The server could not create another shadow process.

07FFh

The password specified was not correct.

0DFFh

This code indicates one of the following:

- Although the current process is attached to the network, the process specified in the Log-on Parameter Block is not.
- The process specified is already logged on 16 servers.

0EFFh

A physical transmission occurred and prevented the original message from getting to the server, or the server's response message from getting to the requester.

0FFFFh

The calling process is not attached.

Calling N_LOGON results in the following sequence of events.

- 1. If the node is attached, the process's Log-on Table is checked to determine whether or not another server can be accommodated (limit 16). If the node is not attached, error 0FFFFh is returned to the calling process. If the Log-on Table is full, error code 0DFFh is returned.
- 2. When another server can be accommodated, a N_LOGON message is sent to the server.
- 3. The server determines if it can accommodate another requester with a shadow process. Success is returned if it has an unallocated server process available in its pool. Otherwise, an 00FFh is returned.
- 4. The requester, only after receiving a success code, adds the server ID number to its Log-on Table, and returns the success code to the calling process. Otherwise, the error code is returned.

Note: A child process created by a logged_on process automatically receives a copy of the parent's Log-on Table. (This results because the parent is attached; see the N_ATTACH description above.) This grants the child access to all the server's that the parent has logged on. However, this privilege is not extended to a child process created before the parent logged on. Separate N_LOGON functions must be called by these processes.

N_PARATAB

Get Parameter Table

Entry Parameters:

Register CL: 4Eh (77) DX: Parameter Table Buffer Address -- Offset DS: Parameter Table Buffer Address -- Segment

Returned Values:

Register AX: 0000h if success 0FFFFh if network not attached BX: Same as AX

Function 77 copies the node's DR Net Parameter Table into memory at the address specified in registers DS and DX. This function always returns success, unless the network is not attached, in which case 0FFFFh is returned in register AX.

The Parameter Table is 1Fh (31) bytes long, and contains the global system definitions for each network node. Figure 4-2 illustrates the format. Table 4-

7 contains the field definitions.

Numbers indicate hex offset from first byte in table.

03 04 05 06 07 00 01 02 +-----+ | Node | # Shadow | # requester | Reserved for system use | | ID | Processes | | +----+ 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F 10 +-----+ | Reserved for system use | Ticks to Timeout | Reserved | (in seconds) +-----+ 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 +----+ | Password Field | +----+ 19 1A 1B 1C 1D 1E +----+ | Default | # RCTs | Reserved | | Server | | +----+

Figure 4-2. Parameter Table

Table 4-7. Parameter table field defintions

Format: Field name Definition

Node ID

The hexadecimal network ID number that uniquely identifies the node.

Server Processes

The total number of simultaneous, shadow processes that can be supported on this server node.

Requester Processes

The total number of simultaneous, attached requester processes that can be supported on this requester node.

Transaction Time-out

The number of seconds allowed for a network transaction to complete before the requester aborts the call. See Section 3, "DR Net time-out errors", for a complete description of the consequences.

Password

In requester nodes, the default password transferred in every N_LOGON message. If a password is entered by the operator, the contents of this field are ignored. In server nodes, the password that must be matched to log on.

Default Server

The hexadecimal ID number of the server node referenced when no server is specified.

RCT

The number of Requester Configuration Tables that can exist simultaneously in this requester. (Recall that every N_ATTACH makes another copy of the Requester Configuration Table.)

N_RCT

Set Requester Configuration Table, or get environment

Entry Parameters: Register CL: 45h (69) DX: RCT Control Block -- Offset DS: RCT Control Block -- Segment

Returned Values:

Register AX: 0000h if success 0DFFh if illegal configuration requested 0FFFFh if network not attached

Function 69 changes a disk drive, list device, or queue entry in the process's Requester Configuration Table, or retrieves the process's Requester Configuration Table and Log-on Table. The call requires along pointer in registers DX and DS to the RCT Control Block.

N_RCT returns 0000h in register AX to indicate success. If the value in the first byte, the command byte, of the RCT Control Block specified a read operation, success indicates that the entire Requester Configuration and Logon Tables have been transferred into memory, starting at pointer address. If the command byte specified one of the write operations, the remainder of the RCT Control Block is used as replacement values for the values in the Requester Configuration Table. Values in the Log-on Table cannot be changed with this or any other function.

Figure 4-3 illustrates the formats of the RCT Control Block for each command byte value. The contents of bytes 01h through 03h are only valid for command types 00, 02, 03, and 04. When 0FFh is specified in the command byte, it is assumed that a total 1A0h (316) bytes are reserved for the Requester Configuration Table and the Log-on Table, starting from the pointer location. Table 4-8 describes the contents of each field in the control block.

Note: The description of the RCT Control Block anticipates that you are familiar with the Requester Configuration and Log-on Tables, and the format of each map entry. See Section 1.3, "Network environments", for the description of the fields in both of these tables.

Numbers indicate hex offset from first byte in table.

Command +--+-> High-order 3 Bits Not Used Type: 00 01 | 02 03

-----+ 00h | Command | 00-0Fh | : :0-Fh | 00-FEh | 02h | Byte | |0:101:0101| | +----+ | || | +-----> a) Server ID Number $| | + \dots + b$ Remote Resource +++----> c) Network Flag Bit +----> d) Local Resource 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 +-----+ 03h | Command | Local Queue name | 04h | Byte | | +----+ +----> d 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F 10 11 +----+ Server . | ID | +-----+ +----> a +----> b

Figure 4-3. RCT Control Block command formats

Table 4-8. RCT Control Block field definitions

Format: Field Definition

Command Byte Only the following values are legal for the command byte:

00h: Change a disk drive assignment.02h: Change a list device assignment.03h: Map a local queue to a server.04h: Remove mapping of a local queue.0FFh: Read Requester Configuration and Log-on Tables.

Local Resource

For command byte values 00h and 02h, the local resource is a single-byte field that indicates the physical number of the local disk drive or list device, respectively, to be changed. Only numbers in the range 00h to 0Fh are accepted. For command byte values 03h and 04h, the local resource is an eightbyte field that specifies the local queue name. Remember that case is significant in queue name; lowercase letters are not translated into uppercase.

Network Flag Bit This bit is relevant to command byte values 00h and 02h, and determines whether system calls are implemented on the local resource, or are sent to the remote resource specified in the low-order nibble of this byte. The device is selected according to the following bit values:

0: local resource

1: remote resource

If the value of the flag bit is 0, the remainder of the RCT Control Block is ignored.

Remote Resource

For command byte values 00h and 02h, this is a four-byte value that indicates the physical number of the replacement disk drive or list device. Valid entries are in the range 00h to 0Fh. For command byte value 03h, the remote resource is an eight-byte field that contains the replacement queue name. Remember that case is significant in queue name. For command byte value 04h, this field is irrelevant.

Server ID Number

For command byte values 00h, 02h, and 03h, this is a single-byte field that contains the hexadecimal ID number of the destination server node. Valid entries are in the range 00h to 0FEh. This field is ignored when the Network Flag Bit is 0, or the command byte value is 04h.

Errors are indicated in register AX, where one of two values can be expected. Table 4-9 lists the values and their meanings.

Table 4-9. N_RCT error code definitions

Format: Error code Definition

0DFFh

An illegal configuration operation was specified. For example, an attempt to map drive 1Fh would return error 0DFFh.

0FFFFh The process is not attached to the network.

N_SCT

Get Server Configuration Table

Entry Parameters: Register CL: 47h (71) DX: SCT Buffer -- Offset DS: SCT Buffer -- Segment

Returned Values: Register AX: 0000h if success 0CFFh if server not logged on 0EFFh if physical network error 0FFFFh if network not attached BX: Same as AX

Function 71 retrieves the Server Configuration Table (SCT) from a designated server. The buffer specified in registers DS and DX must be 70h (112) bytes long. The success or failure of this function is indicated by the return code in register AX.

The SCT Buffer serves two purposes. First, the initial byte is read to determine which server to interrogate. Second, the Server Configuration Table is written into it. The server number in the first byte is overwritten in the process. Figure 4-4 illustrates the Server Configuration Table. Table 4-10 describes the different fields.

Note: DR Net does not actually maintain a Server Configuration Table. Instead, it manufactures one when it receives a function 71. In addition, this table differs from the Server Configuration Table maintained in a CP/NET Version 1.2 server. The two are the same for bytes 00h through 16h in Figure 4-4. At this point, the CP/NET Version 1.2 SCT ends.

Numbers indicate hex offset from first byte in table.

00 01 02 03 04 +----+ | System | Network | Node | Maximum | Current | | Drive | Status | ID | Number of | Number of | Byte |Number|Requesters|Requesters| +-----+ 05 06 07 08 09 ... 16 +----+ RID = Requester |Logged-on | RID | RID | RID | ... | RID | node hex Bit Vector | | | | ID number +----+ +----+ 17 18 19 1A 1B ... 28 +----+ +----+ |Logged-on | RID | RID | RID | ... | RID | | Bit Vector | | | | | +----+ +----+ 29 2A 2B 2C 2D ... 3A +----+ | Logged-on | RID | RID | RID | ... | RID | Bit Vector +----+ +----+ 3B 3C 3D 3E 3F ... 4C +----+ +----+ | Logged-on | RID | RID | RID | ... | RID | | Bit Vector | | | | | +----+ +----+ 4D 4E 4F 50 51 ... 5E +----+ +----+ |Logged-on | RID | RID | RID | ... | RID | Bit Vector +----+ +----+

5F 60 61 62 63 ... 70 +----+ +---+ +---+ | Logged-on | RID | RID | RID | ... | RID | | Bit Vector | | | | | +----+ +---+ +---+ +--++

Figure 4-4. Server Configuration Table

Table 4-10. Server Configuration Table field definitions

Format: Field Definition

Default File Drive

This field contains the physical number for the server's default disk drive. This is also the drive used by the server for the storage of temporary files.

Network Status Byte

This field is available for use by the communications software. It has no meaning in DR Net.

Node ID Number

The hexadecimal, server ID node number is stored in this field. The DID (Destination ID) field of all incoming messages is compared against this value before a message is accepted.

Maximum Number of Requesters

The maximum number of requesters supported by this server is recorded in this field. The value is copied from byte 01h of the Parameter Table, and indicates the number of shadow processes that can be supported on this node.

Current Number of Requesters This value indicates the current number of shadow processes.

Log-on Bit Vector

This two-byte field indicates which of the next 16 requester ID fields in the table contains an entry.

RID

The Server Configuration Table contains 96 single-byte fields in which is stored the hexadecimal ID number for each requester node logged on. The requesters are grouped in sequences of 16, each preceded by a Log-on Bit Vector.

The return value in register AX indicates success with a value of 0000h. Failures are also indicated in register AX, and can result for a number of reasons. Table 4-11 lists and defines the possible error codes.

Table 4-11. N_SCT error code definitions

Format: Error code Definition

0CFFh

The server specified in the SCT Buffer is not logged on.

0EFFh

There is a network physical error; no response was received.

0FFFFh

The calling process is not attached to the network.

N_STAT

Get network status word

Entry Parameters: Register CL: 44h (68)

Returned Values: Register AX: Network Status Word 0FFFFh if network not attached BX: Same as AX

Function 68 returns the network status word. This value consists of the Network Status Byte in register Al, and the Attached Status Byte in register AH. Figure 4-5 illustrates the contents of the entire word.

```
Bit: 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0
     Register AH: | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
Status Byte | | | | | | |
     | | | | | +--> Attached Status (bit)
     +---+ Reserved for system use
   Bit: 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0
     +---+--+
Register AL: | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
Status Byte | | | | | |
       | | | | | + --> Free (see Note below)
     | | | | +----> Free (see Note below)
     | | | | +----> Reserved for system use
     | | | +----> Free
     | | | +----> Logged-on Bit
     | | +----> Free
     | +----> Free
     +----> Reserved for system use
```

(Note: Under CP/NET Version 1.2, bit 1 = RCVERR, and bit 0 = SNDERR.)

Figure 4-5. Network status word

The Attached Status Byte shown in Figure 4-5 indicates whether or not the calling process is attached to the network. Only the least significant bit (bit 0) of AH is used, where:

0 =not attached 1 =attached

Bits 7 through 1 are reserved for future use. The program example below shows the use of this byte in a routine found in many of the DR Net utilities.

The Netswork Status Byte returned by DR Net is compatible with the status byte in CP/NET Version 1.2. However, CP/NET Version 1.2 does not recognize the Attached Status Byte in register AH. Three of the bits in this byte are reserved for system use. Of these three, only bit 4 is significant; it indicates whether or not process is logged on a server. Bits 7 and 2 are reserved for system use. The remainder of the bits are not used by DR Net. However, they can be programmed by a special NIOS function.

Note: Under CP/NET Version 1.2, bits 1 and 0 of the network status byte were defined as follows:

- Bit 1 -- RCVERR An error was encountered by the NIOS receive message routine.

- Bit 0 -- SNDERR An error is encountered by the NIOS send message routine.

These bits are not implemented under DR Net.

Listing 4-1 is an example routine that determines if the calling process is attached to the network. Only when the process is attached can it call the network functions. Otherwise, the host operating system returns an 0FFFFh.

Listing 4-1. Check attach status

```
/*-----

CHECK THE ATTACH STATUS

#include <stdio.h>

EXTERN BDOS(); /* BDOS Interface */

Boolean net_check()

{

return ((BDOS(68)&0xFF00)==0x0100)

}
```

EOF

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Appendixes

Appendix A: System call summary

All Concurrent CP/M Release 3.1 and DR Net network functions are listed below by function number. The summary indicates the input parameters and the returned values for each function. See Tables 2-2 through 2-6 in Section 2 to determine which calls are supported over the network.

The command summaries are presented in the following format:

Dec Hex Mnenonic Input Parameters (IP) Description Returned Values (RV)

These fields are defined as follows:

- "Dec" and "Hex" are the system call's decimal and hexadecimal numbers, respectively.
- "Mnemonic" is the function name.
- "Description" is a short description of the function's purpose.
- "Input Parameters" describes the register and value expected by the system call.
- "Returned Values", unless stated otherwise, describes the value returned in register AX by the system call.

The "Returned Values" field frequently contains one of two values which indicate that the function succeeded or failed. When this is the case, the two values are shown in the form nnn/mmm, where "nnn" indicates the success, and "mmm" indicates the failure code. In both the nnn and mmm values, xx and yy are used to indicate that directory codes and/or error codes are returned. See the "Concurrent CP/M Programmer's Reference Guide" for the return code values.

Concurrent CP/M's system call calling and return conventions for register use are reviewed in Table A-1.

Table A-1. Concurrent CP/M system call calling and return conventions

Entry parameters by register	Returned values by register
CL: System call number	CX: Error code
DL: Byte parameter	AL: Byte return
DX: Word parameter	AX: Word return, or
DS/DX: Address Segment & C	Offset AX: Address Offset
ES: Add	dress Segment
BX: Sat	me as AX

Under Concurrent CP/M, the contents of registers SI, DI, BP, SP, SS, DS, and CS are preserved. The ES register is also preserved, but only when it is not used to hold a return segment value. Only error codes are returned in CX; BDOS file errors and extended errors are always returned in AX.

In Table A-2, the input value of the CL register and the output value of the BX register are not shown. In all cases, CL indicates to the operating system which call is to be executed, and should be filled with the function value listed in the first two columns. Register BX always contains a duplicate of the register AX contents.

Table A-2. System call summary

Dec Hex Mnenonic Input Parameters (IP)					
Description Returned Values (RV)					
0 00 P_TERMCPM IP: none					
System Reset RV: none					
1 01 C_READ IP: none					
Console Input RV: AL: Character					
2 02 C_WRITE IP: $DL = Character$					
Console Output RV: none					
3 03 AUX_READ IP: ?					
Auxiliary Input RV: ?					
4 04 AUX_WRITE IP: ?					
Auxiliary Output RV: ?					
5 05 L_WRITE IP: $DL = Character$					
List Output RV: none					
6 06 C_RAWIO IP: $DL = 0FFh$, $0FDh$, or Character					
Direct Console I/O RV: AL: Status, or Character					
7 07 AXI_STAT IP: ?					
Auxiliary Input Status RV: ?					
8 08 AXO_STAT IP: ?					
Auxiliary Output Status RV: ?					
9 09 C_WRITESTR IP: DS/DX: Source buffer address					
Print String RV: none					
10 0A C_READSTR IP: DS/DX: Destination buffer address					
Read Console Buffer RV: none					
11 0B C_STAT IP: none					
Get Console Status RV: AL: 01/00 (Char. Ready/Not Ready)					
12 OC S_BDOSVER IP: none					
Return BDOS Version Number RV: AL: BDOS version number					
13 0D DRV_ALLRESET IP: none					
Reset Disk System RV: AL: 00h/0FFh					

14 OE DRV_SET IP: DL = Disk number (00h-0Fh) RV: 00xxh/xxFFh Select Disk 15 OF F_OPEN IP: DS/DX = FCB address **Open File** RV: 00xxh/xxFFh 16 10 F_CLOSE IP: DS/DX = FCB address Close File RV: 00xxh/xxFFh 17 11 F_SFIRST IP: DS/DX = FCB address Search for First RV: 00xxh/xxFFh 18 12 F_SNEXT IP: DS/DX = FCB address Search for Next RV: 00xxh/xxFFh 19 13 F_DELETE IP: DS/DX = FCB address RV: 00xxh/xxFFh Delete File 20 14 F_READ IP: DS/DX = FCB address Read Sequential RV: 0000h/xxyyh 21 15 F_WRITE IP: DS/DX = FCB address Write Sequential RV: 0000h/xxyyh 22 16 F MAKE IP: DS/DX = FCB address Make File RV: 0000h/xxFFh 23 17 F RENAME IP: DS/DX = FCB address Rename File RV: 0000h/xxFFh 24 18 DRV LOGINVEC IP: none Return Log-in Vector RV: Log-in vector 25 19 DRV_GET IP: none Return Current Disk RV: Drive number (00h-0Fh) 26 1A F_DMASET IP: DX = New DMA segment address Set DMA Offset RV: none 27 1B DRV_ALLOCVEC IP: none Get Allocation Vector RV: Alloc. Vector Addr. -- Offset **OFFFFh** if failure Address for Current ES = Alloc. Vector Addr. -- Segment Drive 28 1C DRV_SETRO IP: none Write Protect Disk RV: 00h/0FFh 29 1D DRV_ROVEC IP: none Get Read/Only Vector RV: Read/Only Vector 30 1E F ATTRIB IP: DS/DX = FCB address Set File Attributes RV: 0000h/xxFFh 31 1F DRV DPB IP: none Get Disk Parameter RV: DPB Address -- Offset Block Address **OFFFFh** if failure (DPB) ES = DPB Address -- Segment IP: DL = 0FFh (Get user code) 32 20 F_USERNUM Get/Set User Code xxh (Set user code, xx = code) RV: Current user code on Get 33 21 F READRAND IP: DS/DX = FCB address Read Random RV: 0000h/xxyyh 34 22 F WRITERAND IP: DS/DX = FCB address RV: 0000h/xxyyh Write Random 35 23 F SIZE IP: DS/DX = FCB address Compute File Size RV: 0000h/xxFFh 36 24 F RANDREC IP: DS/DX = FCB address Set Random Record RV: none 37 25 DRV_RESET IP: DX = Drive vectorReset Drive RV: 00h/0FFh 38 26 DRV_ACCESS IP: DX = Drive vector

RV: 0000h/xxFFh Access Drive 39 27 DRV_FREE IP: DX = Drive vectorFree Drive RV: none 40 28 F_WRITEZF IP: DS/DX = FCB address Write Random with Zero Fill RV: 0000h/xxyyh 41 29 F TWREC IP: DS/DX = FCB address Test and Write Record RV: 0000h/xxyyh 42 2A F LOCK IP: DS/DX = FCB address Lock record RV: 0000h/xxyyh 43 2B F UNLOCK IP: DS/DX = FCB address RV: 0000h/xxyyh Unlock Record 44 2C F MULTISEC IP: DL = Number of sectorsSet Multisector Count RV: AL: 00h/0FFh 45 2D F_ERRMODE IP: BDOS error mode Set BDOS Error Mode RV: none 46 2E DRV_SPACE IP: DL = Drive number Get Free Disk Space RV: 0000h/xxFFh 47 2F P_CHAIN IP: none RV: 0000h/0FFFFh Chain to Program 48 30 DRV_FLUSH IP: none RV: 0000h/xxFFh Flush Buffers 49 31 SCB_GETSET **IP**: ? Get/set CP/M Plus SCB RV: ? 50 32 S BIOS IP: DS/DX = BIOS descriptor address **RV: BIOS return code** Direct BIOS Call 51 33 F DMAOFF IP: DX = New DMA address -- OffsetRV: none Set DMA Base 52 34 F DMAGET IP: none Get DMA Base RV: DMA address -- Offset ES = DMA address -- Segment 53 35 MC_MAX IP: DS/DX = Memory Control Block address Get Maximum Memory RV: AL: 00h/0FFh 54 36 MC_ABSMAX IP: DS/DX = Memory Control Block address Get Absolute Memory RV: AL: 00h/0FFh 55 37 MC_ALLOC IP: DS/DX = Memory Control Block address RV: AL: 00h/0FFh Allocate Memory 56 38 MC ALLOCABS IP: DS/DX = Memory Control Block address Allocate Absolute Memory RV: AL: 00h/0FFh 57 39 MC_FREE IP: DS/DX = Memory Control Block address Free memory RV: AL: 00h/0FFh 58 3A MC_ALLFREE IP: none Free All Memory RV: none 59 3B P_LOAD IP: DS/DX = FCB address **RV:** Program's Base Page Address Program Load **OFFFFh** if failure 60 3C RSX CALL IP: ? Call Resident System Ext. RV: ? 61 3D ? 62 3E ? 63 3F ? 64 40 N_LOGON IP: DS/DX = Log-on Parameter Block Address Log On a Server RV: 0000h/xxFFh 65 41 N_LOGOFF IP: DS/DX = Log-on Parameter Block Address Log Off a Server RV: 0000h/xxFFh

66 42 N_SENDMSG IP: ?
Send a Message RV: ?
67 43 N_GETMSG IP: ?
Get a Message RV: ?
68 44 N STAT IP: none
Get Network Status RV: Network Status Word
69 45 N RCT IP: DS/DX = RCT Control Block Address
Get Reg. Config. Table RV: 0000h/xxFFh
70 46 N ATTRIB IP: DL = Compatibility mode byte
Set Comp. Attributes RV: 0000h/xxFFh
71 47 N SCT IP: $DS/DX = SCT$ destination buffer address
Get Ser. Config. Table RV: 0000h/xxFFh
72 48 N ERRMODE IP: DL = Network error mode
Set Network Error Mode RV: 0000h
73 49 N ATTACH IP: DX = Process Descriptor Address
Attach Network RV: 0000h/0FFFFh
74 4A N DETACH IP: DX = Process Descriptor Address
Detach Network RV: 0000h/0FFFFh
75 4B N BUFSIZ IP: ?
Set Message Buffer Size RV: ?
76 4C ?
77 4D N PARATAB IP: DS/DX = Buffer address
Get Parameter Table RV: 0000h
99 63 F TRUNCATE IP: DX = FCB address
Truncate File RV: 0000h/xxFFh
100 64 DRV_SETLABEL IP: DS/DX = XFCB address
Set Directory Label RV: 0000h/xxFFh
101 65 DRV_GETLABEL IP: DS/DX = Drive number
Return Directory Label RV: Directory label data byte
00h if no directory label found
xxFFh if failure
102 66 F_TIMEDATE IP: DS/DX = XFCB address
Read File XFCB RV: 0000h/xxFFh
103 67 F_WRITEXFCB IP: DS/DX = XFCB address
Write File XFCB RV: 0000h/xxFFh
104 68 T_SET IP: $DS/DX = TOD$ address
Set Date and Time RV: none
105 69 T_GET IP: $DS/DX = TOD$ address
Get Date and Time RV: AL: Seconds
106 6A F_PASSWD IP: DS/DX = Password address
Set Default Password RV: none
107 6B S_SERIAL IP: DS/DX = Destination buffer address
Return Serial Number RV: none
108 6C ?
109 6D C MODE IP: DX = Console mode, or 0FFFFh
Get/Set Console Mode RV: Console mode
110 6E C DELIMIT IP: DX = Output delimiter, or 0FFFFh
Get/Set Delimiter RV: AL: Output delimiter
111 6F C WRITEBLK IP: DX = Char. Control Block Address
Write Console Block RV: none
112 70 L WRITEBLK IP: DX = Char. Control Block Address
Write List Block RV: none
128 80 M ALLOC IP: DS/DX = Memory Parameter Block Address

Allocate Memory Segment RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 129 81 M ALLOC IP: Same as above Allocate Memory Segment RV: Same as above 130 82 M FREE IP: DS/DX = Parameter Block Address Free Memory Segment RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 131 83 DEV_POLL IP: DL = Device number Poll Device RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 132 84 DEV_WAITFLAG IP: DL = Wait flagFlag Wait RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 133 85 DEV SETFLAG IP: DL = Flag number Flag Set RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 134 86 Q_MAKE IP: DS/DX = Queue Descriptor Address RV: 0000h/0FFFFh Make Queue IP: DS/DX = Queue Descriptor Address 135 87 Q_OPEN Open Queue RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 136 88 Q_DELETE IP: DS/DX = Queue Descriptor Address Delete Queue RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 137 89 Q_READ IP: DS/DX = Queue Descriptor AddressRead Queue RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 138 8A Q_CREAD IP: DS/DX = Queue Descriptor AddressConditionally Read Queue RV: 0000h/0FFFFh IP: DS/DX = Queue Parameter Block Address 139 8B Q_WRITE Write Queue RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 140 8C Q_CWRITE IP: DS/DX = Queue Parameter Block Address Conditionally Write Queue RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 141 8D P_DELAY IP: DX = Number of system ticks**Delay Process** RV: none 142 8E P DISPATCH IP: none RV: none **Dispatch Process** IP: DL = Termination code 143 8F P_TERM Terminate Calling Process RV: none 144 90 P_CREATE IP: DS/DX = Process Descriptor Address Create Process RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 145 91 P_PRIORITY IP: DL = PrioritySet Priority of Process RV: none 146 92 C_ATTACH IP: none RV: none Attach Console 147 93 C_DETACH IP: none RV: 0000h/0FFFFh Detach Console 148 94 C_SET IP: DL = Console numberSet Console RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 149 95 C_ASSIGN IP: DS/DX = Assign Control Block Address Assign Console RV: 0000h/0FFFFh 150 96 P_CLI IP: DS/DX = CLI Buffer Address Call Command Line Interp. RV: 0000h/0FFFFh IP: DS/DX = RPL Parameter Block Address 151 97 P RPL Call Resident Procedure Lib. RV: RPL return value 01h if RPL not found ES = RPL return segment (if addr.) IP: DS/DX = Parse Filename Control Block Addr. 152 98 F_PARSE Parse Filename RV: 0 if end of string, or address of next item **OFFFFh** if failure 153 99 C GET IP: none

	Get Console RV: AL: Console number
154	9A S_SYSDAT IP: none
	Get SYStem DATa RV: SYSDAT Address Offset
	segment address $ES = SYSDAT Address Segment$
155	9B T_SECONDS IP: DS/DX = TOD Address
	Get Date and Time RV: none (TOD filled in)
156	9C P_PDADR IP: none
	Return Process RV: Process Descriptor Address Offset
	Descriptor Address ES = Process Descriptor Address Segment
157	9D P_ABORT IP: DS/DX = Abort Parameter Block Address
	Abort Specified Process RV: 0000h/0FFFFh
158	9E L_ATTACH IP: none
	Attach List Device RV: none
159	9F L_DETACH IP: none
	Detach List Device RV: 0000h/0FFFFh
160	A0 L_SET IP: DL = List Device Number
	Set List Device RV: none
161	A1 L_CATTACH IP: none
	Conditionally Attach List RV: 0000h/0FFFFh
162	A2 C_CATTACH IP: none
	Conditionally Attach Con. RV: 0000h/0FFFFh
163	A3 S_OSVER IP: none
	Return Version Number RV: AH: Operating system type
	AL: Current version number
164	A4 L_GET IP: none
	Get List Device Number RV: AL: List Device Number

Appendix B: DR Net utilities summary

This appendix contains summaries of the utilities provided with DR Net. Table B-1 lists the programs, the manual in which the primary explanation is provided, and their function. The acronyms in the "Manual" column represent the following manuals:

UG -- "DR Net User's Guide" SM -- "DR Net System Manager's Guide"

Table B-1. DR Net utilities

Format: Name, Manual Description

ADDNET.CMD SM Merge DR Net module with Concurrent CP/M system module.

LOCAL.CMD UG/SM Remove the remote mapping of a local device in the Requester Configuration Table.

LOGOFF.CMD UG Log off a server. LOGON.CMD UG Log on a server.

GENNET.CMD SM Generate a DR Net server, requester, or server/requester for a system based on Concurrent CP/M.

GENRQR.CMD SM Generate a DR Net requester for a system based on CP/M-86.

NAMES.CMD UG/SM Display current entries in default server's NAMSVR.DAT file.

NAMESMOD.CMD SM Change node ID number to name assignments on specified drive.

NET.CMD UG/SM Map a local resource to a server in the requester Configuration Table.

NETLDR.CMD UG Load and attach DR Net in CP/M-86 requester.

NETOFF.CMD UG Detach requester based on Concurrent CP/M from the network.

NETON.CMD UG Attach requester based on Concurrent CP/M to the network.

NETSTAT.CMD UG/SM Display current local to remote device assignments and logged on.

Table B-2 lists all these utilities and their command syntax, and describes their options. All options are shown in lowercase in the syntax models.

Table B-2. DR Net utility command summary

Format: Utility Command syntax Summary

ADDNET.CMD ADDNET ADDNET filename.typ ADDNET merges the DRNET.CMD system image file with the CCPM.SYS Concurrent CP/M system image. The option allows you to specify a file name under which the old CCPM.SYS is saved.

LOCAL.CMD LOCAL ld: LOCAL "lqueue" LOCAL removes the remote mapping of the local resource specified in the command line. Local devices "ld:" are specified by name, where a local drive would be A: through P:, and a local list device would be LST0: through LST15:. Quotation marks (") must be placed around queue names, so that the local knows not to translate the lowercase characters in the name to uppercase. All subsequent calls to the resource specified are referred to the local operating system for execution. All changes made with LOCAL are cancelled by NETOFF, or when the system is turned off.

LOGOFF.CMD LOGOFF LOGOFF nn:: LOGOFF nodename LOGOFF logs off the current process and all ancestor processes from the specified server. The server to be logged off is designated in the command line, where a null entry indicates the default server, nn:: indicates a server by its hex ID number nn, and "nodename" indicates the server by name. Once the default server is logged off, only the ID number can be used to specify a node. Note that this command affects no other related or unrelated processes.

LOGON.CMD LOGON LOGON nn:: LOGON nodename LOGON logs on the current process and all ancestor processes to the specified server. The server to be logged on is designated in the command line, where a null entry indicates the default server, nn:: indicates a server by its hex ID number nn, and "nodename" indicates a server by name. The third form is only available if name service has been implemented, and the operator is logged on the node's default server.

GENNET.CMD

The GENNET DR Net system generation program combines the NIOS.CMD file with either the RNET.CMD, SNET.CMD, or RSNET.CMD file to create the DRNET.CMD file which contains the DR Net system image. The program has an interactive portion that allows the system implementer or system manager to cast the initial mapping of local to remote drives, list devices, and queues, to set the node's ID number, and to define system and network dependent variables.

GENRQR.CMD

The GENRQR DR Net system generation program is used to create a requester-only DRNET.CMD system image file for CP/M-86 systems from NIOS.CMD and RNET.CMD files. The program is similar to GENNET in that it allows the system implementer to define interactively the hardware and network dependent variables, and to set the initial resource map. In CP/M-86 requesters, DR Net is loaded and the network attached with the NETLDR utility.

NAMES.CMD

NAMES

NAMES namespec

NAMES references the NAMSVR.DAT file on the node's default server to provide node number to name service. If the first form is invoked, the entire list of servers and requesters is displayed. The second form can be used with or without the "?" or "*" wilcard characters, to select a class of servers and requesters from the entire list.

NAMESMOD.CMD

This utility is used to create and modify the entries in the NAMSVR.DAT file. After NAMESMOD is loaded, a menu is displayed that allows you to create a new NAMSVR.DAT file, add a new node to an existing NAMSVR.DAT file, delete a node from this file, or display the contents of NAMSVR.DAT. All changes made are permanently recorded in the NAMSVR.DAT file.

NET.CMD

NET ld:=rd: NET ld:=rd:nn:: NET ld:=rd:nodename NET "lqueue"="rqueue" NET "lqueue"="rqueue"nn:: NET "lqueue"="rqueue"nodename NET is used to map a local resource to a server. The command line components shown here are defined as follows:

- ld: A local disk or list device to be mapped.

- rd:

The remote replacement disk drive or list device.

- nn::

The remote server expressed as a hex ID number.

- nodename

The remote server expressed as a nodename.

- "lqueue" A local queue name to be mapped.

- "rqueue"

The remote replacement queue name.

Note that the NET command for queues must include the quotation marks ("), and that the case of each character in the queue name is significant. The destination server is designated in the command line, where a null entry indicates the default server, nn:: indicates a server by its hex ID number nn, and "nodename" indicates a server by name. The third form is only available if name service has been implemented, and the operator is logged on the node's default server. All changes made by NET are cancelled when NETOFF is run, or when power is turned off.

NETLDR.CMD

Only requesters with the CP/M-86 operating system have use for NETLDR. This program reads the DRNET.CMD file created by GENRQR into memory, to load the DR Net system image and attach the node to the network. Only in the latter case can NETLDR be considered similar to NETON. There are no options available from this program. To detach from the network, CP/M-86 users must reset their computers.

NETOFF.CMD

Requester nodes running Concurrent CP/M use NETOFF to detach the computer from the network. This causes an automatic log-off to all servers before the detach
is effected. Before logging back on a server, the operator must attach his system first with NETON. There are no options available from this command.

NETON.CMD

requester and requester/server nodes running Concurrent CP/M use NETON to attach the system to the network. Although the DR Net system image is merged with the Concurrent CP/M system image, a process family has no network environment until NETON is run. This allows the server function to be available in a requester/server node while the requester function is implented. There are no options available from this program.

Note: NETON attaches an entire process family, from the current process on up its ancestral tree, if it finds a process that either has no parent or is already attached. In addition, once NETON is run, all child processes are automatically attached to the network.

NETSTAT.CMD

NETSTAT displays the current disk drive, list device, and queue map of local to remote resources, and lists all logged-on servers. The display has the following format:

Local = Remote on Node Logged On?

All local disk drives, list devices, and queues for which there is a map entry in the Requester Configuration Table are listed in the "Local" column. For each entry, the "Remote" column indicates the replacement resource, while "Node" contains the server ID number or name. The "Logged On?" column indicates whether the server is logged on or not. Underneath the display of the resource map, the logged servers are listed by ID number and name. The name only appears in the map, and in the list of logged-on servers when name service has been implemented and the node is logged on its default server.

Appendix C: Network message contents

Message output by DR Net requesters and servers have a fixed format. In turn, DR Net requesters and servers expect all messages received from the network to be in this same format. This appendix describes the DR Net message format and the message contents for all system calls that can be executed remotely.

C.1 DR Net logical message format

The DR Net logical message is the standard medium of exchange between requesters and servers. The requester module automatically gathers all pertinent data, and assembles the message into this format when a system call references a remote resource. All the information required by the server to perform the function is transferred in the DR Net.

The same format is used for servers' response messages. In this case, the return value and all data requested in the initial call are returned, so that the requester can present the response according to the calling convention.

Figure C-1 illustrates the format of the DR Net message. Each field is described in Table C-1.

	0	1	2	3	4	5+
Form	ats -	++	-+	+		++ + ENC SIZ DAT DAT
0011, 0) m ++	гин +	+		ыр -+	++ ++
Form	0 oto	1	2	3	4	5 6 7 8+
06h, (07h	FMT	-+ [DID)	SID FNC SIZ DAT DAT
ŗ	+	+	+		-+	++ ++ ++ ++

Figure C-1. DR Net logical message formats

Table C-1. DR Net logical message field descriptions

Format: Field

Description

FMT -- The format code

A message's format code indicates the number of bytes for each field, and whether the message is a request or a response. Table C-2 below lists the different FMT codes. Even-number FMT codes indicate the message is a request; off-number FMT codes indicate the message is a response.

DID -- Destination node ID number

The DID field is a 1- or 2-byte value that indicates the message's destination node, or its destination node and process. In a single-byte DID, only the destination's hexadecimal ID number is transferred. In a 2-byte DID, the node ID is recorded in the low-order byte, and the contents of the high-order byte depend upon whether the message is a request or a response. In a request, the high-order byte is meaningless. In a response, the high-order byte contains the requester process's arbitrarily assigned process ID.

SID -- Source node ID number

The SID field is a 1- or 2-byte value that indicates the message's source node, or its source node and process. In a single-byte SID, only the source node's hexadecimal ID number is transferred. In a 2-byte SID, the node ID is recorded in the low-order byte, and the contents of the high-order byte depend upon whether the message is a request or a response. In a request, the high-order byte contains the requester process's arbitrarily assigned process ID. In a response, this field is meaningless.

FNC -- System call function number

The FNC field is always a single byte, and contains the system call's hexadecimal number.

SIZ -- Data field size

The SIZ field is a 1- or 2-byte value that indicates the length of the data field that follows. This number is always the number of bytes in the field minus 1.

DAT -- Data field

The DAT field is variable length, and contains all the input values and data required by the server to perform the function, or all the return values and data returned by the function.

Table C-2. DR Net message formats

FMT	N	Jum	ber o	of by	tes in		
Code	D	ID	SID	FN	C SIZ	DAT	Description
00 01	1 1	1 1	1 1	 1 1	1-256 1-256	CP/NET CP/NET	- V1.2 Request V1.2 Response
02 03	1 1	1 1	1 1	2 2	1-65536 1-65536	Not use Not use	d (Request) d (Response)
04 05	2 2	2 2	1 1	1 1	1-256 1-256	Not used Not used	(Request) (Response)
06 07	2 2	2 2	1 1	2 2	1-65536 1-65536	Concurr Concurr	rent CP/M Request rent CP/M Response
08-12 128-2	27 55				Un Us	defined ser defina	ble

The format of the DAT field is also important to both the server and requester. Table C-3 lists the message contents for all system calls that can be networked.

C.2 Special terms in Table C-3, "Message contents"

The following characters, symbols, and terms are used in the following DAT field descriptions:

XX

Appears occasionally in the DAT field descriptions, to indicate that the value is irrelevant.

- EE -

Indicates that the function can return BDOS extended errors ("EE"), as well as extended network errors 0CFFh, 0DFFh, or 0EFFh. Any message can return an extended network error.

+

Appears as a suffix to the SIZ field value, and indicates that the value is variable. When it is used, consider the SIZ value shown to indicate the minimum.

Simulation Count

The largest number of 128-byte records that can fit in a single transaction. This value is calculated by the NDOS when function 44, F_MULTISEC, is called to reconcile the size of the DR Net message buffer (through which all messages flow to and from the network) with the length of the multisector data block. Divide the Multisector Data Block by the Simulation Count to obtain the number of network transactions required to complete a multisector data transfer.

Table C-3. DR Net message contents

System call FMT FNC SIZ DAT
* 3: C_RAWIN 0 03 0000 0000-0000 Server Console Number 1 03 0000 0000-0000 Character Input
* 4: C_RAWOUT 0 04 0001 0000-0000 Server Console Number 0000-0001 Raw Character to Output 1 04 0000 0000-0000 00
5: L_WRITE 0 05 000n 0000-0000 Server List Number - EE - 0001-00nn Characters To Be Listed 1 05 0000 0000-0000 00
Note: $nn = 01h$ to 80h.
* 11: C_STAT 0 0B 0000 0000-0000 Server Console Number 1 0B 0000 0000-0000 Console Status Byte
* These functions are supported by Concurrent CP/M servers for CP/NET Version 1.2 compatibility only. They are never generated by a DR Net requester.
14: DRV_SET 0 0E 0000 0000-0000 Selected Disk - EE - 1 0E 0000 0000-0000 Return Code
15: F_OPEN 0 0F 002C 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB - EE - 0025-002C Password 1 0F 0024 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code 0001-0024 Opened FCB
16: F_CLOSE 0 10 002C 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB
1 10 0024 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code 0001-0024 FCB
17: F_SFIRST 0 11 0025 0000-0000 Current Disk 0001-0001 User Number - EE - 0002-0025 Search FCB 1 11 0020 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code
0001-0020 Directory Entry

Note: "Current Disk" is valid only when there is a "?" in the search FCB drive byte field.	
18: F_SNEXT 0 12 0001 0000-0000 xx - EE - 1 12 0020 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code 0001-0020 Directory Entry	
19: F_DELETE 0 13 002C 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB	
- EE - 1 13 0000 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code	
20: F_READ 0 14 0024 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB	
- EE - 1 14 00A5+ 0000-0000 Return Code 0001-0024 FCB 0025-xxxx Data That Was Read yyyy-yyyy Multisector Transfer Return Code	
Note: xxxx = 00A4 + (80h * (Simulation Count - 1)) yyyy = xxxx + 1	
21: F_WRITE 0 15 00A4+ 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB - EE - 0025-xxxx Data To Be Written 1 15 0025 0000-0000 Return Code	
0001-0024 FCB 0025-0025 Multisector Transfer Return Code	
Note: $xxxx = 00A4 + (80h * (Simulation Count - 1))$	
22: F_MAKE 0 16 002D 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB - EE - 0025-002C Password 002D-002D Password Mode Field 1 16 0001 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code 0001-0024 FCB	
23: F_RENAME 0 17 002C 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB in RENAME Format	
- EE - 0025-002C Password 1 17 0000 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code	
24: DRV_LOGINVEC 0 18 0000 0000-0000 xx 1 18 0001 0000-0001 Log-in Vector	
27: DRV_ALLOCVEC 0 1B 0000 0000-0000 Current Disk - EE - 1 1B nnnn 0000-nnnn Allocation Vector	

Note: The size of the allocation vector is dependent on the current disk's DPB.

28: DRV SETRO 0 1C 0000 0000-0000 Current Disk 1 1C 0000 0000-0000 00 29: DRV ROVEC 0 1D 0000 0000-0000 xx 1 1D 0001 0000-0001 Read/Only Vector 30: F ATTRIB 0 1E 002C 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB with File Attributes - EE -0025-002C Password 1 1E 0000 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code 0 1F 0000 0000-0000 Current Disk 31: DRV DPB 1 1F 000F 0000-000F Disk Parameter Block - EE -33: F READRAND 0 21 0024 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB 1 21 00A5+ 0000-0000 Return Code - EE -0001-0024 FCB 0025-xxxx Data That Was Read yyyy-yyyy Multisector Transfer Return Code Note: xxxx = 00A4 + (80h * (Simulation Count - 1))yyyy = xxxx + 134: F WRITERAND 0 22 0024 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB - EE -0025-xxxx Data To Be Written 1 22 0024 0000-0000 Return Code 0001-0024 FCB Note: xxx = 00A4 + (80h * (Simulation Count - 1))35: F SIZE 0 23 0024 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB - EE -1 23 0024 0000-0000 Return Code 0001-0024 FCB 36: DRV RANDREC 0 24 0024 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB - EE -1 24 0024 0000-0000 Return Code 0001-0024 FCB 0 25 0001 0000-0001 Drive Vector 37: DRV RESET 1 25 0000 0000-0000 Return Code 38: DRC ACCESS 0 26 0001 0000-0001 Drive Vector - EE - 1 26 0000 0000-0000 Return Code 39: DRV FREE 0 27 0001 0000-0001 Drive Vector 1 27 0000 0000-0000 Return Code 40: F WRITEZF 0 28 00A4+ 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB

- EE - 0025-xxxx Data To Be Written 1 28 0024 0000-0000 Return Code 0001-0024 FCB
Note: $xxxx = 00A4 + (80h * (Simulation Count - 1))$
42: F_LOCK 0 2A 0026 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB - EE - 0025-0026 File ID 1 2A 0024 0000-0000 Return Code 0001-0024 FCB
43: F_UNLOCK 0 2B 0026 0000-0000 User Number 0001 0024 ECB
- EE - 0025-0026 File ID 1 2B 0024 0000-0000 Return Code 0001-0024 FCB
44: F_MULTISEC 0 2C 0001 0000-0000 Multisector Count Requested 0001-0001 Count Used for Simulating Multisector I/O Across Network
1 2C 0000 0000-0000 Return Code
46: DRV_SPACE 0 2E 0000 0000-0000 Drive ID 1 2E 0003 0000-0000 Return Code - EE - 0001-0003 Number of Free Records
64: N_LOGON 0 40 0012 0000-0007 Server Password 0008-0009 Process ID 000A-0011 BDOS Default Password 0012-0012 Compatibility Attributes 0013-0013 Version 0014-0014 First Log Flag
0001-0001 Reserved for System Use
Note: The Process ID is a number arbitrarily assigned by the requester. It is not the process descriptor address.
65: N_LOGOFF 0 41 0009 0000-0007 Unused 0008-0009 Process ID 1 41 0000 0000-0000 Return Code
Note: The Process ID in this message is a number arbitrarily assigned when the process logged on.
70: N_ATTRIB 0 46 0000 0000-0000 Compatibility Attributes 1 46 0000 0000-0000 xx
Note: For CP/M-86 requesters only.

71: N_SCT 0 47 0000 0000-0000 xx 1 47 004C 0000-0000 Server Temporary File Drive 0001-0001 Server Network Status Byte 0002-0002 Server Node ID 0003-0003 Maximum Possible Req. 0004-0004 Num. of Req. Logged On 0005-0006 Requester Log-on Vector 0007-0017 IDs of 16 Requesters 0017-0018 Requester Log-on Vector 0019-0028 IDs of 16 Requesters 0029-002A Requesters Log-on Vector 002B-003A IDs of 16 Requesters 003B-003C Requester Log-on Vector 003D-004C IDs of 16 Requesters 0 4B 0001 0001-0001 Requested Message Buf. Size 75: N_BUFSIZ 1 4B 0002 0000-0000 Return Code (For system use only.) 0001-0002 Maximum Allowable Message **Buffer Size** 77: N KEEPALIVE 0 4D 0000 0000-0000 xx Note: This message is unique in that there is no return message. 99: F TRUNC 0 63 0024 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 FCB 1 63 0024 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code - EE -0001-0024 FCB 0 64 0034 0000-0000 Unused 100: DRV SETLABEL 0001-0024 Directory Label FCB - EE -0025-002C Old Default Password 002D-0034 New Default Password 1 64 0000 0000-0000 Return Code 101: DRV GETLABEL 0 65 0000 0000-0000 Drive ID - EE -1 65 0000 0000-0000 Directory Label Byte 0 66 0024 0000-0000 User Number 102: F TIMEDATE 0001-0024 FCB - EE -1 66 0024 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code 0001-0024 XFCB 103: F WRITEXFCB 0 67 0034 0000-0000 User Number 0001-0024 XFCB - EE -0025-002C Old Password 002D-0034 New Password 1 67 0000 0000-0000 Directory/Return Code 0 69 0000 0000-0000 xx 105: T GET 1 69 0004 0000-0001 Days since 31 DEC 1977 0002-0002 BCD Hours 0003-0003 BCD Minutes

0004-0004 BCD Seconds = 00

- 106: F_PASSWD 0 6A 0007 0000-0007 Default Password To Be Set 1 6A 0000 0000-0000 Return Code
- 134: Q_MAKE 0 86 001B 0000-001B Queue Descriptor 1 86 0003 0000-0003 Return Code (AX and CX)
- 135: Q_OPEN 0 87 000F 0000-000F Queue Parameter Block 1 87 002E 0000-0003 Return Code (AX and CX) 0004-0013 Queue Parameter Block 0014-002E Queue Descriptor
- 136: Q_DELETE 0 88 001B 0000-001B Queue Descriptor 1 88 0003 0000-0003 Return Code (AX and CX)
- 137: Q_READ
 0
 89
 000F
 0000-000F
 Queue Parameter Block

 1
 89
 0003+
 0000-0003
 Return Code (AX and CX)

 0004-xxxx
 Queue Message

Note: The queue message length cannot exceed the maximum message buffer size.

 138: Q_CREAD
 0
 8A
 000F
 0000-000F
 Queue Parameter Block

 1
 8A
 0003+
 0000-0003
 Return Code (AX and CX)
 0004-xxxx
 Queue Message

Note: The queue message length cannot exceed the maximum message buffer size.

 139: Q_WRITE
 0
 8B
 000F+
 0000-000F
 Queue Parameter Block
 0010-xxxx
 Queue Message
 1
 8B
 0003
 0000-0003
 Return Code (AX and CX)

Note: The queue message length cannot exceed the maximum message buffer size.

140: Q_CWRITE 0 8C 000F+ 0000-000F Queue Parameter Block 0010-xxxx Queue Message 1 8C 0003 0000-0003 Return Code (AX and CX)

Note: The queue message length cannot exceed the maximum message buffer size.

- 158: L_ATTACH 0 9E 0000 0000-0000 Server List Device 1 9E 0003 0000-0003 Return Code (AX and CX)
- 159: L_DETACH 0 9F 0000 0000-0000 Server List Device 1 9F 0003 0000-0003 Return Code (AX and CX)

161: L_CATTACH 0 A1 0000 0000-0000 Server List Device 1 A1 0003 0000-0003 Return Code (AX and CX) EOF