

Support for (24802,) re MOVE

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Re==24806,> A multi-level Integrated User Help System

The concept is usefull,

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Re--24806,> A multi-level Integrated User Help System

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To FDBK re two jump-link bugs

Below are recorded two strange malfunctions in Jump Link. I was using DNLS-8. The examples are embedded in text copied from the places where I discovered the troubles,

1

In the statement below, the links both point to recent Journal messages, in Branches J24815 and J24802 respectively of File <JOURNAL>JRNL24,NLS;23, 26=DEC=74 10:38 XXX (being modified ..). The second link worked appropriatedly, the first didn't (signalled that the file wasn't on line),

2

... reply to Bair (24815,) and Kelley (24802,) req...

2a

In the first sub-statement, Jump Link produces an error message saying "Illegal Link Syntax or Semantics. Missing Right Delimiter or Bad viewspecs," But the same link will work in other contexts; in particular, deleting the double-quote character (as in the successor statement) will produce appropriate Jump Link action,

3

... Referencing your message of 17 Dec (24769,), "An IDENT FOR DOCUMENTATION": a...

3a

... Referencing your message of 17 Dec (24769,), An IDENT FOR DOCUMENTATION": a...

3b

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To FDBK re two jump-link bugs

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## PREFACE

1

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1a

The Multi-Process Software System (MPSS) whose construction PCP makes practical and of which the NSW is an example, consists of collections of "procedures" and "data stores" called "packages", in one or more "processes", interconnected in a tree structure by "physical channels". Procedures within a process have free access to the procedures (and data stores) of each process adjacent to it in the tree structure, and may call upon them as if they were local subroutines. Superimposed upon the tree structure is a more general set of interconnections which give non-adjacent processes in the tree the same kind of access to one another.

1b

The MPSS is implemented by:

1c

1) low-level protocols which provide the basic, inter-process communication (IPC) facilities by which channels are implemented: an inter-host IPC protocol (PCPHST), an inter-Tenex-fork IPC protocol (PCPFRK), and data structure format specifications for both connection types (PCPFMT).

1c1

2) PCP proper, which largely defines the VPE (especially, the procedure call and return mechanism) and specifies the inter-process control exchanges required to implement it.

1c2

3) a set of system packages, implemented within each process, which augment PCP proper by providing mechanisms by which user procedures can: call remote procedures (implemented by the Procedure Interface Package, PIP), manipulate remote data stores (implemented by the PCP Support Package, PSP), and interconnect processes (implemented by the Process Management Package, PMP).

1c3

4) user packages in each process.

1c4

## INTRODUCTION

2

The Network Virtual Terminal Package (package name = NVTP) contains the procedures interfacing PCP procedure calls to terminal oriented input and output character streams as defined by the ARPANET Telnet protocol.

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The Network Virtual Terminal Package procedures are conceived of as being a relay point between a network virtual terminal on one side and a serving process on the other side. The procedures defined here are expected to be called by a process which contains a "User Telnet" program. The procedures defined here will act as a "Server Telnet" program if the serving process is located in the same host as the NVTP (i.e, if it is named by the SF construct), or will only relay the data via Telnet conventions if the serving process is in another host (i.e, if it is named by the SN construct).

2b

## PROCEDURES

3

Open from network virtual terminal to serving process

3a

OPNNVT

3a1

(srvprc, pkh, pname -> nvth)

3a2

This procedure opens a network virtual terminal stream between the calling procedure and the process named by SRVPRC mediated by the procedures of the NVTP. The arguments PKH and PNAME identify a procedure provided by the caller to receive information output by the process SRVPRC. The handle NVTH is assigned to identify this conversation in subsequent related calls.

3a3

The serving process is specified using the syntax defined in the Process Management Package (PMP == 24462,) however in this case the process created is not expected to use PCP, but to communicate as if NVTP were a terminal using either the local mechanisms or the Telnet protocol. The syntax of the argument SRVPRC is either:

3a4

SF <SP> filename

3a4a

If the process SRVPRC is named via the SF construct a new, non-PCP, process in this host is created and communicated with such that the procedures in NVTP act



as the controlling terminal for the process SRVPRC. In this case the procedures in NVTP implement a "Server Telnet",

SN <SP> host <SP> socket 3a4b

If the process SRVPRC is named via the SN construct a network connection pair is established via the Initial Connection Protocol (ICP) and communication with the process SRVPRC is via the Telnet protocol. Since the process calling NVTP is a "User Telnet" and the serving process includes a "Server Telnet" the procedures in NVTP need and indeed do no processing of the data transmitted other than transcribing between the PCP format and the Telnet format, and reformulating the interrupt signal.

Argument/result types: 3a5

- srvprc = CHARSTR 3a5a
- pkh = INTEGER 3a5b
- pname = CHARSTR 3a5c
- nvth = INTEGER 3a5d

Close from network virtual terminal to serving process 3b

CLSNVT (nvth) 3b1

This procedure closes the network virtual terminal conversation identified by the handle NVTH. 3b2

Argument/result types: 3b3

- nvth = INTEGER 3b3a

Send from network virtual terminal to serving process 3c

SNDNVT (nvth, string, interrupt) 3c1

This procedure either processes the string STRING as a "Server Telnet" or simply passes the string along to the process SRVPRC associated with the conversation handle NVTH. The Telnet processing occurs if the process SRVPRC is in the same host as NVTP. 3c2

The argument INTERRUPT is a boolean signal that indicates

that an interrupt has occurred at the network virtual terminal if TRUE, otherwise its value is FALSE. 3c3

When TRUE this procedure takes action to signal an interrupt to the process SRVPRC associated with this conversation handle NVTH. The action may be that defined in the local system in the case that SRVPRC is local (i.e. was initiated via the SF construct), or the action may be sending the ARPANET host to host command INS if the process SRVPRC is in another host (i.e. was started via the SN construct). 3c3a

Argument/result types: 3c4

nvth = INTEGER 3c4a  
string = BITSTR (a multiple of 8 in length) 3c4b  
interrupt = BOOLEAN 3c4c

DATA STORES 4

There are no data stores in this package. 4a

COMMENTS 5

Flow of data from the serving process to the network virtual terminal 5a

The transmission of data from the serving process to the network virtual terminal is accomplished via a call made by a procedure in NVTP to the procedure indicated in the OPNNVT call. Such a call might appear as follows: 5a1

Receive by network virtual terminal from serving process 5a1a

CALPRO (ph, pkh, pname, LIST (nvth, string, interrupt), ...)

This is not a procedure in this package but a call by the NVTP on another procedure whose package handle PKH and procedure name PNAME were supplied by the call to OPNNVT. This is how the NVTP relays information output by the process SRVPRC. The argument STRING contains the relayed information and control information as defined by the ARPANET Telnet protocol.

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indicates that an interrupt has occurred if TRUE,  
otherwise its value is FALSE.

Argument/result types:

ph            = INTEGER  
pkh           = INTEGER  
pname         = CHARSTR  
nvth          = INTEGER  
string        = BITSTR  
interrupt     = BOOLEAN

Multiple Telnet

5b

Notice that it is quite easy for the NVTP to provide a user  
with a multiple Telnet facility, since the NVTP identifies  
each conversation with a handle NVTH.

5b1

Interrupt Handling

5c

The handling of interrupts as call arguments might be thought  
to be ineffective. This method of passing interrupt signals is  
acceptable when the Procedure Interface Package's (PIP --  
24460,) Interrupt Procedure procedure is utilized.

5c1

For example if the calling process has called SNDNVT with no  
interrupt signaled and before that call returns the calling  
process wishes to signal an interrupt it may use the INTPRO  
procedure to suspend the first call and make a new call to  
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that call returns resume the first call using PIP's RSMPRQ.

5c2

If the NVTP process has multiple processors, it would not be  
necessary to use the interrupt procedure and procedure  
procedure calls.

5c3

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The Network Virtual Terminal Package  
Version 2

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5c3

*↑  
dangerous  
to have the  
calls also contain text*

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This is an attempt to clarify the role of the Network Virtual Terminal Package (NVTP) in interfacing "Old Programs" to the National Software Works (NSW). The discussion here assumes that the reader is familiar with the Procedure Call Protocol (PCP) and the Telnet protocol.

The NSW is composed of two principal entities and a group of auxiliary entities. The principals are a Works Manager (WM) and a Front END (FE). The auxiliaries are called Tool Bearing Hosts (TBHS).

The WM and the FE always communicate with each other and with the TBHS using PCP. This is a simplifying principle that allows for a cleaner and quicker implementation of the WM and the FE.

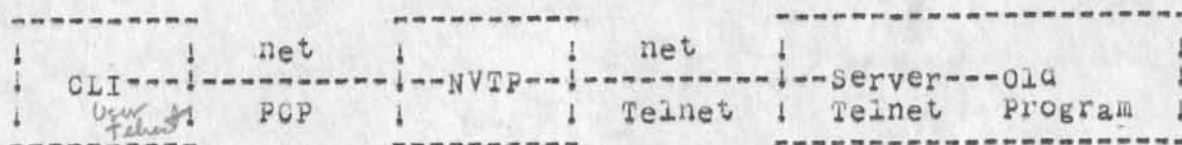
(We note that at times the same machine that supports the FE may be used in a non-NSW context to communicate with other machines, including those that support the WM or those that are also TBHS, using other protocols. This does not alter our basic simplifying principle since those other communications protocols and programs are completely independent of the NSW.)

The active agent in the FE that carries out the users requests as interpreted using the grammar and the user profile is the Command Language Interpreter (CLI).

The TBHS support applications programs (e.g. text editors, compilers, reformatters, ...) called tools. These tools are or will be constructed with the NSW in mind, and will expect to communicate via PCP. Other applications programs, here called "Old Programs", were constructed to communicate only with a controlling teletype. The Telnet protocol has been designed and implemented such that a remote user's terminal can appear to be the controlling teletype when the remote user utilizes a "user Telnet" process to communicate via the network with a "server Telnet" process that directly controls the application program.

To interface such Old Programs into the NSW a NVTP has been designed to act as a converter between PCP and Telnet protocol. There are two cases to be distinguished: first the case where the NVTP is in a third host, and second where the NVTP is directly controlling the Old Program. Note that in either case from the point of view of the WM and the FE the NVTP is the tool.

Case 1



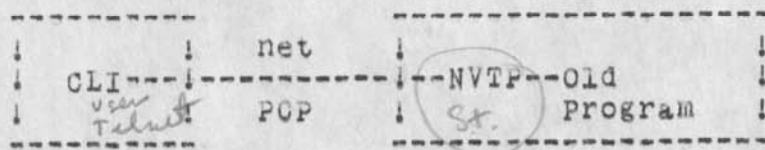
Notes:

CLI only does PCP calls.

NVTP merely copies data.

Server Telnet acts as controlling teletype to Old Program.

Case 2



Comment on two wake ups argument?

Notes:

CLI only does PCP calls.

NVTP acts as controlling teletype to Old Program.

NVTP is a SMALL extension of Server Telnet program.

In the NSW environment the control features of Telnet are generally unnecessary since these functions are performed by the FE.

Most of Telnet's control options are for controlling aspects of the users interaction that can be specified by a grammar or user profile. The difference is that in Telnet the parameters are dynamically controlled and transmitted between the user and server for each use of a program; in the NSW case these parameters are incorporated in the grammar and are therefore relatively static, but they are not renegotiated with each use of the tool and thus there is less network traffic. A user should be able to change aspects of the interaction by commands to the FE which do not require network traffic.

For example the most powerful Telnet Option -- Remote Controlled Transmission and Echoing (RCTE) -- is completely replaced by a grammar tailored to the serving host and tool. And the strategy of dynamic control used in RCTE requires substantially more network traffic than is necessary in the NSW case.

An alternative communication strategy for Old Programs has been suggested that would have the FE communicate with the Old Program using Telnet protocol.

The WM is the only NSW process that initiates tool processes and the WM always communicates using PCP. It would be quite awkward to have the tool process initiated using PCP and subsequently communicate using Telnet protocol. The Telnet protocol does have a reconnection option (there are no known implementations of this feature), so that (in theory) control of a process created by a Telnet initiation by the WM could be switched to the FE, such a procedure requires both the WM and the FE to treat Old Programs differently than new tools, and requires both the WM and the FE to implement both PCP and Telnet protocol.

Used in Tipsey See RFC671

Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting.

I think it is time that a decision is made as to the form of the citation. Perhaps a meeting some time the week of January 6th. Send your responses to me (RLL) on either date and time or comments on alternatives. Thanks Rob

Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting.

#This is an updated copy of the journal citation debate. New items are preceded by a '#'. Three new branches are Dialogue, New Comments, and 'Latest' Alternatives. The actual header in the journal file should contain the same information but it need not be in the same format. Whether the format should be same, easily readable by the user, etc. is another issue to be resolved.

1

Various alternatives for a new journal citation.

2

One consideration is to allow each person to pick his own form. This would be stored in his ident record. The journal system (already having it loaded) would read the reference format name and use the appropriate "rel" file. If the "rel" file is not known or if none is specified, a default form will be used.

2a

There are two questions, what are the fields of information desired and what are the formats of these fields. These questions are partially separate but not wholly.

2b

Some overall criteria to use for determining what fields are useful and where they should go.

2c

Citation should be as short as possible.

2c1

A form which is suitable for sorting.

2c2

Conform to other citations in the literature.

2c3

Take advantages of level and line capabilities.

2c4

Although a new journal system might not be developed for some time, pressure for maintaining the same format will be very high and thus the future situation should be heavily considered.

2c5

e.g. multiple hosts

2c5a

(FIELDS) Below is a list of various fields, synonyms on the left. Arguments for or against this field to be included are found on the levels below it.

2d

AIDENT author ident

2d1

PRO: Considered by most to be very important and should be on first line.

2d1a

ORG acronym of author's organization

2d2



Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting.

- CON: Easily obtained from ident record (which is available to journal system). 2d2a
- PRO: For a large user community, the organization might be more meaningful than the person's ident or even his full name. 2d2b
- PRO: This field is almost always included in most citations in the literature. 2d2c
- #CON: could be very long for multiple authors; might not be suitable for following the AIDENT but on another line. 2d2d
- NAME last name or full name 2d3
  - PRO: Most citation in the literature include full last name and initials 2d3a
  - CON: With the ident system one only needs to show record for ident. 2d3b
  - #CON: could be very lengthy for multiple idents. 2d3c
- DATE day, month, and year when mail item was sent, (dd=mm=yy) 2d4
  - PRO: Used by many as a sort parameter. 2d4a
  - CON: should not be on first line since it does not add to the recognition of what this mail item is. For those you like to sort on it, programs can be coded even if it appears on a second or third line. 2d4b
  - #PRO: should be on first line to permit later, immediate retrieval; if the item is old then it might be irrelevant hence after author this might be the next important item. 2d4c
- TIME time that the mail item was sent (xx:xx:xx); 24 hour clock or AM/PM 2d5
  - PRO: Gives another means for uniquely (almost) identifying mail item (especially sndmsg items). 2d5a
  - #PRO: important for tracing the history of a dialog 2d5b
- ZONE time zone 2d6

Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting.

- PRO: Users of the system are scattered among various time zones. 2d6a
- PRO: It is possible that different computers might be in different time zones. 2d6b
- CON: The journal system should maintain only one time zone for dating of mail items. 2d6c
- DAY      day of the week that mail item was sent (MON TUE ....) 2d7

  - #CON: seldom relevant 2d7a
- RDATE:    date and time when mail item was received. 2d8

  - CON: Not needed, one can use the signature of the statement. 2d8a
  - PRO: Signatures are not widely known and are costly for TNLS users. 2d8b
  - #PRO: Statement signatures may be meaningless, since user can edit his citation statement. 2d8c
  - #PRO: Could point out interesting and serious communications dynamics; delivery is not always immediate and items may be very timely. 2d8d
- JNUM      journal number 2d9

  - PRO: Useful for sorting and uniqueness of item; only of value in first line. 2d9a
  - CON: Duplicates information in LINK. 2d9b
  - CON: LINK might be better on first line. 2d9c
- LINK      complete journal reference in form of link 2d10

  - PRO: Should be in first statement of citation in order for jump to link to work when only first line is bugged or referenced. 2d10a
  - PRO: Even for messages that are delivered with the citation it should be present. This enables one to delete the message and still have the link. 2d10b
  - PRO: For messages that are delivered with citation ((including SNDMSG mail) this should be a link with only

Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting,

- viewspecs that opens up the view to show the whole message, This is predicated on the user having only a clipped view initial, 2d10c
- #PRO: a second link might be desirable if the message follows immediately. The first link would just open up the view and the second would be the complete reference link, 2d10d
- TITLE the title or subject of mail item 2d11

  - PRO: Nearly everyone agrees this is the most useful field, 2d11a
- COMMENT comments 2d12

  - PRO: to be put at a level below main citation, 2d12a
- DIST distribution list of idents 2d13

  - #PRO: In participating in a dialog, I need to know who else is currently involved and might be interested in my response, 2d13a
  - #PRO: Should be exhaustive (including recipient himself) since citation could be copied by someone not on list, 2d13b
- TO distribution list of idents receiving mail as action 2d14

  - PRO: Distinction should be made between list of people receiving item and those receiving an information only copy, 2d14a
- CC distribution list of idents receiving mail item as information only 2d15

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  - CON: Can use uppercase and lowercase to distinguish action and info copies, 2d15b
  - PRO: For uppercase only terminals, uppercase/lowercase will not distinguish 2d15c
- #FROM the author(s) ident 2d16

  - #PRO: to be included if the full name or full last name is used instead of ident, 2d16a
  - #PRO: can serve as place where author's organization can be

Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting.

- specified since the ORG might be too much for the first line, 2d16b
- #PRO: conforms to existing formats used by many organizations including the federal government. 2d16c
- TYPE the word ACTION and INFO, for action or information 2d17
- PRO: For a shorter citation just a short word might suffice 2d17a
- PRO: Useful on the first line of citation to quickly determine whether to read mail or not. 2d17b
- PRIV privacy type (priv or public or blank) 2d18
- PRO: Might be nice to know if item is private or not. 2d18a
- #PRO: tells recipient whether or not to share article with others. 2d18b
- #UNREC unrecorded status. UNREC if unrecorded; blank if recorded. 2d19
- PRO: If one depends on the indexes for later retrieval, then one is lost if the mail item is unrecorded. 2d19a
- ORIGIN name of originating host computer 2d20
- PRO: might be nice when there are many hosts (Office=1,2,3,4,5...) 2d20a
- #PRO: helps locate author. 2d20b
- #PRO: it is the place of "publication" which is often included in many citations. 2d20c
- REF references 2d21
- PRO: Often used in many memos and useful for recipient. 2d21a
- KEYW keywords 2d22
- #PAGES number of pages (or suitable unit) of document 2d23
- PRO: could be the number of disk pages or approximate number of hardcopy pages, or number of statements. An often used item in citations. 2d23a

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Leading contenders for the new journal citation format and comments (author ident at beginning), 2e

(JEW) provide several options and have the journal use your preferred format. (This is clearly the way to go,)(KIRK)(CHI)(RLL) 2e1

In addition, have a special directory containing userprogram formats ok'd by the journal programmer. 2e1a

(NDM) JFORM3,CA (matches MESSAGE,SUBSYS format) 2e2

DATE TIME AUTHORIDENT: The title begins here terminated by a CR and 3 spaces

Distribution: ACTION IDENTs ARE UPPER CASE info only  
idents are lower case

Received at: 12-OCT-74 04:31  
(JJOURNAL,12345,1:w) 2e2a

Text of Message is a substructure statement. Note and Comments are also separate statements in the order listed below. Note: in the statement above this, indentation does NOT represent a change in level. 2e2a1

Note: [ ACTION ] 2e2a2

Comments: Comments would appear last, 2e2a3

(KEV) modification of jform2 2e3

AUTHOR-IDENT: The title here would be terminated by a carriage return

DAY DATE TIME <Message -- 12345,>  
TO: myident( comment to me ) BUGS abc def 2e3a

Comment: date and time would contain the day of the week, 2e3a1

Message: The message occurs after the comment and is a statement in the substructure. For Journal links, <Message-- 12345,> would be replaced by <JJOURNAL, 12345,> 2e3a2

(JHB) places most parameters on first line including beginning of title, 2e4

DATE SENT (ONLY) AUTHOR(S) JNUMBER The title begins here terminated by a CR and 3 spaces

Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting.

Received: TIME DATE; Sent: TIME  
 TO: Idents of recipients for action followed by a CR and 3 spaces  
 CC: Idents of recipients for info only followed by a CR and 3 spaces  
 Link or message is appended to citation here. Note indentation does not represent a change in level. 2e4a

New statement here is for comment. 2e4a1

New statement here is for notes. 2e4a2

(KIRK) closely resembles standard reference formats 2e5

AUTHOR-IDENT, Title begins here after a comma and has no CR following it. <JJOURNAL, 12345,> SITE DAY DATE TIME 2e5a

Distribution: UPPER CASE IDENTs FOR ACTION lower case ident's for info-only 2e5a1

Note: this is where a note would appear. 2e5a2

Comment: this is where comments would appear. 2e5a3

For messages, "<JJOURNAL, 12345,>" is replaced by "Journal Number 12345" and the text of the message is located here. Distribution, Note, Comment, and Message are all separate statements in substructure. 2e5a4

(xxx) Just to see if all fields can fit. 2e6

AIDENT ORG TITLE, LINK, DATE TIME ZONE DAY ORIGIN  
 <CR><SP><SP><SP> RDATE TYPE PRIV<CR><SP><SP><SP> TO:  
 identlist<CR><SP><SP><SP> CC: identlist[next level down]  
 COMMENT[next statement] REF[next statement] KEYW[next statement]Message (if delivered with citation) 2e6a

2e6b

Example. 2e6c

RLL (SRI=ARC) A Note on the future of journal headers,  
 (JJOURNAL,12345,1:w), 22-OCT-74 1332 PDT WED at OFFICE-1  
 Received at: 22-OCT-74 1356 PDT for ACTION (PRIVATE)  
 TO: ABC DEF GHI  
 CC: JKL MNO PQR SRT 2e6d

Comments: Just a test for fun. 2e6d1

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REFERENCES: (MJOURNAL,34567,1:w) 2e6d2

KEYWORDS: test, journal, header 2e6d3

#Dialogue [new since last journalization as (MJOURNAL, 24284, 1:w) ] 3

KIRK 17-NOV-74 01:52 24530journal citations  
 Good and Bad NLS practice reflected in your proposed sendall  
 citation  
 Location: (GJOURNAL, 24530, 1:w)  
 \*\*\*\*\*Note: [ ACTION ] \*\*\*\*\*

3a

DVN 7-NOV-74 16:46 24437  
 One More thought about Journal Deliveryy  
 Message: As a step toward (documentation, final,,6b6c4) and the  
 rest of that plex, what the journal should do is enter in  
 everyone's initial file an author,keword, and arrival data catalog  
 of journal items sent to her or that she sent,  
 \*\*\*\*\*Note: [ ACTION ] \*\*\*\*\*

3b

KEV 28-OCT-74 17:33 24337  
 journal citations again

3c

Message: The issue that Dean raises (in-- 24336,) (and I think  
 Jake raised it also) about having sort programs, etc, work is I  
 believe looking at the citation issue in the wrong way. The  
 problem, as I see it, is having citations presented to an  
 INDIVIDUAL user in the format preferred by that INDIVIDUAL  
 user. Then if an individual wishes to sort her citations, it  
 is her responsibility (perhaps with our help) to provide the  
 sort keys, programs, etc, that will sort the citations in the  
 desired manner. Obviously, these programs must be aware of the  
 format of the citations they are to sort.

3c1

If an individual wishes to make use of pre-existing sorting  
 programs, then she must see to it that her citations conform to  
 the input format required by the program to be used (and of  
 course both available programs and required citation formats  
 should be published). All the catalog production programs that  
 I am aware of, do not go through individual initial files to  
 get their data, but work on other data bases. Thus, if an  
 individual is only interested in seeing who wrote an article,  
 when it was written, and where it lives, (admittedly a perverse  
 example), there is NO need to have the title in the citation  
 that gets delivered to this person.

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\*\*\*\*\*Note: [ ACTION ] \*\*\*\*\*

3c2

Comments: I do have one or two other things to do, but occasionally I need a relief from them!

3c2a

NDM 28-OCT-74 15:34 24336  
 Opinion on Journal Citation Delivery Format  
 Location: (MJOURNAL, 24336, 1:w)  
 \*\*\*\*\*Note: [ INFO-ONLY ] \*\*\*\*\*

3d

Comments: Modifies slightly format listed as NDM's choice in (24284,).

3d1

27-OCT-74 2047-PDT BAIR: Journal headers  
 Distribution: LIEBERMAN, bair  
 Received at: 27-OCT-74 20:47:29

3e

Rob, All my input is in...a clear statement of what it should be in view of your suggestions. That compromise should satisfy all.  
 I do not think it should be sent to KWAC. It would be very inconsistent with previous design policy, (witness the unilateral imposition of the info and attention branches.)

3e1

CHI 25-OCT-74 10:26 24324  
 Journal Citation Recommendations

3f

Message: Robbert, I have the following recommendations re Journal citations delivered to users:

3f1

1) The recipient should be able to choose among several citation formats for mail delivered to him, or perhaps make up his own ala KEV's suggestion (This desired Citation format could be stored in master ident file)

3f2

2) The distribution lists should be made available to the recipient

3f3

3) the [ACTION] and [INFO-ONLY] fields should not be removed from the citation even though they are deposited into action and info branches (because if the user moves them he loses this info) and

4) I would like a citation format that had the author and title (as much as would fit) in the first line for t-viewspec.

\*\*\*\*\*Note: [ ACTION ] \*\*\*\*\*

3f4



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JAKE 24-OCT-74 22:58 24319  
Op, Cit.  
Location: (MJOURNAL, 24319, 1:w)  
\*\*\*\*\*Note: [ INFO-ONLY ] \*\*\*\*\*

3g

DVN 24-OCT-74 22:17 24318  
More On Journal Citations  
Location: (MJOURNAL, 24318, 1:w)  
\*\*\*\*\*Note: [ ACTION ] \*\*\*\*\*

3h

KEY 24-OCT-74 14:38 24315  
journal citations revisited  
Location: (MJOURNAL, 24315, 1:w)  
\*\*\*\*\*Note: [ ACTION ] \*\*\*\*\*

3i

JBP 24-OCT-74 09:58 24294  
journal headers  
Location: (MJOURNAL, 24294, 1:w)  
\*\*\*\*\*Note: [ ACTION ] \*\*\*\*\*

3j

JHB 24-OCT-74 08:56 24291  
re J24269: Journal notification & info/action branches  
Message: I agree with Dirk's notion about these 2 new features, particularly info and action. These are arbitrary categories at best, and serve to force additional compensatory decisions on the real users. IT's difficult not to be snide, but I don't recall any debate or even discussion about this. I hope that the items that have been sent by myself and others on the Journal citation format are ok. If not let's have some discussion on them!  
\*\*\*\*\*Note: [ INFO-ONLY ] \*\*\*\*\*

3k

RLL 23-OCT-74 22:38 24284  
New Jorna header: alternatives; call for comments and additional input.  
Location: (MJOURNAL, 24284, 1:w)  
\*\*\*\*\*Note: Author Copy\*\*\*\*\*

3l

Comments: Comments received by FRIday 25Oct74 will be included for next pass which will include the KWAC. Thank you for contributing.

311

Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting.

17-OCT-74 0755-PDT BAIR at OFFICE-1: Journal citation format  
Distribution: KELLEY AT SRI-ARC, engelbart at sri-arc, norton  
at sri-arc, watson at sri-arc,, lieberman at sri-arc, bair at  
sri-arc

Received at: 17-OCT-74 07:56:01

3m

Dear Kirk, I understand (second hand) that you are in charge of the design of a new Journal citation format. In that case, I would like to cast my vote for the following (coordinated with RLL):

3m1

DATE SENT (ONLY) AUTHOR(S) JNUMBER TITLE <CR>  
Received: Time and date; Sent: Time<CR>  
TO: Idents of recipients for action<CR>  
CC: Idents of recipients for info<CR>  
Link or message  
<new statements>comments.

3m2

This would permit a sort on meaningful fields, date and author ident, and would fit enough of the title on the first line for informative 1 line 1 level perusal. I think this is consistent with what most Utility clients want.

Thank you, Jim

3m3

#New comments [new since last journalization as (MJOURNAL, 24284, 1:w) ]

4

A basic dilemma

4a

It was noted that the people at ARC are not typical of the overwhelming majority of users and, therefore, are a poor group to make the decision as to what citation should look like.

4a1

It was also noted that the users are basically unsophisticated (at least at the moment) and do not understand the potential and facilities of NLS, therefore they are a poor group for which to base the format of the citation.

4a2

It is hope that an evolving format will most likely be the best long term solution. In this case the more knowledgeable group (ARCers !!!) should have more say at the moment.

4a3

The link should always be in angle brackets:

4b

to stand out

4b1

to have a higher probability of not conflicting with some parenthetical remark.

4b2

Journal citation dialogue; second go around; two alternatives; call for a meeting,

- to conform to the statement zero in a file, 4b3
- The message (if delivered) should stand out, 4c
- It would be nice to have the message appear earlier so that one does not have to go through all the extra info, 4d
- Levels should be used rather than lines for formatting, 4e
- If a 'line' actually is two or more line the format will look poor, 4e1
- Some lines will be lost if more than two are present, 4e2
- JHB believes his suggestion is most consistent with what utility clients want. He believes DATE, AUTHOR and TITLE are the important fields for the first line, 4f
- Several people did not like the pending split between INFO and ACTION branches, 4g
- CON: arbitrary categories 4g1
- CON: most users integrate items based on date or subject not these categories 4g2
- CON: force additional compensatory decision on users 4g3
- CON: it would be better to have a code on first line indicating these two categories so that users can quickly judge whether to read the item or not, 4g4
- Almost all agreed that some selection of templates should be made available for Users. Most also agreed that the method by which the user can specify his own would be desirable, 4h
- An extensive preliminary specification of a template system to generate user defined formats was given (see == MJOURNAL, 24315, 1:w) 4h1
- It was mentioned that allowing arbitrary formats for the user would make it difficult to maintain a full selection of sort programs, 4h2
- CON: For each template a sort program might have to be written, 4h2a
- PRO: Sort programs are really only useful for the master

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indexes and if a user wishes to sort his items and makes up his own template he should also make up his own sort routine. 4h2b

PRO: if a user wishes to sort his items and makes up his own template he should also make up his own sort routine. 4h2c

CON: It is a magnitude more difficult to make up a sort program than to specify a template for a header format. 4h2d

A suggestion was made ( see == MJOURNAL, 24318, 1:w) that it would be nice to have a daily (weekly ??) list generated of all journal items. This would serve to increase the usefulness and dialog interchange of the journal system. 4i

Most agreed that almost all the fields should be given. It is easy enough to delete fields or reformat but not easy to retrieve information from various sources and from various encryptions. 4j

One person stated that he used the date and time fields to trace the history of a dialog and as the primary access to items. He was in the minority as for primary access but most agreed that it was important and should be present (but not on first line). 4k

The following is a quote from one responder. 4l

The file itself ought to be a complete repository for information about that item. I think it is more important to have a format where the information is accessible in easily defined fields rather than deciding now what is pretty and/or limiting the content to what we currently think is standard/important. I think we ought to use the standard catalog citation format in the origin statement of journal file. 4l1

A distinction was made between citations delivered to users' initial files and what is kept in the journal itself (as a header), ( see == MJOURNAL, 24319, 1:w) 4m

The concern here was for the actual header in the journal. A strong desire was issued to have this look very much like the 'standard' citation used in the literature. E.G.: 4m1

Engelbart, D. C. and Jones, S. A. Who says people at Arc are KWACS? NLS Online Journal, Vol. 7, No. 23456, 28-32 (June 1974). 4m1a

Volume could be the file name or directory name. 4m1a1

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Pages could be statement numbers (SIDS ?), 4m1a2

Number could be the NIC number, 4m1a3

A strong opinion was given that the header should be exactly like the citation except for the necessary Output Processor commands, 4m2

The overwhelming opinion was to have only the author and title on the first line, 4n

New forms: 4o

(JBP) similar to (XXX) ( see -- MJOURNAL, 24294, 1:w) 4o1

Postel (SRI=ARC) A Note on the future of journal headers,  
 (JJOURNAL,12345,1:w), 22-OCT-74 1332 PDT WED at OFFICE-1  
 Received at: 22-OCT-74 1356 PDT for ACTION (PRIVATE)  
 TO: ABC DEF GHI  
 CC: JKL MNO PQR SRT  
 FROM: JBP 4o1a

Comments: Just a test for fun. 4o1a1

REFERENCES: (MJOURNAL,34567,1:w) 4o1a2

KEYWORDS: test, journal, header 4o1a3

(NDM) new form (see -- MJOURNAL, 24336, 1:w) 4o2

DATE TIME=ZONE AIDENT: TITLE terminated by a CR and 3 spaces  
 For your ACTION/INFORMATION, Private  
 Distribution: ACTION IDENTs ARE UPPER CASE info only  
 idents are lower case (recipient included here somewhere)  
 Author orgs: Idents,..  
 Received at: 12-OCT-74 04:31  
 (JJOURNAL,12345,1:w) 4o2a

Comments: Comments would appear as substatement of citation, 4o2a1

Text of Message is a substructure statement, 4o2a2

#Latest Alternatives 5

First alternative 5a

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Examples. 5a1

RLL, A Note on the future of journal citation  
22-OCT-74 1332 PDT <wg> <JOURNAL,JRNL24,J12345:wg> for ACTION  
[PRIV,UNREC] 5a2

To: ABC DEF GHI  
Cc: JKL MNO PQR SRT  
From: OFFICE=2, Lieberman (SRI=ARC) 5a2a

Comments: Just a test for fun, [Statement not here if no  
comments] 5a2b

MESSAGE: If, indeed, it is delivered, the message text  
appears here. Notice the MESSAGE keyword is uppercase and  
text starts on same line. 5a2c

References: <MJOURNAL,34567,1:w> [Statement not implemented  
yet]  
Keywords: journal, header [Statement not here if no  
keywords]  
Received at: 22-OCT-74 1356 PDT 5a2d

RLL JHB, Another example of future journal citation  
22-OCT-74 1343 PDT <JJOURNAL,67891,1:w> for INFORMATION 5a3

To: ABC DEF GHI  
Cc: JKL MNO PQR SRT  
From: OFFICE=2, Lieberman (SRI=ARC) Bair (SRI=ARC) 5a3a

Received at: 22-OCT-74 1359 PDT 5a3b

Discussion 5a4

Should the link jump to the 0 or 1 statement in the journal  
file? Should the viewspec be 'w'? 5a4a

Should the TO, CC, and FROM lines be on separate  
statements? Should COMMENTS, KEYWORDS, REFERENCES be on  
separate statements or separate lines? The consensus is for  
the message (if it appears in citation) be a separate  
statement. 5a4b

Should the fact that an item was 'unrecorded' be stated? If  
unrecorded it might be lost forever if the receiving parties  
delete the message (hoping to retrieve it by the indexes in  
the future). 5a4c

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- Should the FROM precede the TO?

5a4d
- Should fields for the UPDATE and OBSOLETE commands in SENDMAIL be provided?

5a4e
- Should the originating host be specified for each author? Only if different for each author? Only the first author's host?

5a4f
- Note when the message immediately follows, a link with only viewspecs to open the view to full is inserted before the actual link. This makes it possible to just Jump to Link in every case without worrying about whether the message is in the delivered citation or not,

5a4g
- What should the viewspecs be for this link?

5a4g1
- Should it be in angle brackets or parentheses to distinguish it from the full link?

5a4g2
- Note that the PRIVATE and UNRECORDED fields are enclosed in square brackets to prevent any possible conflict with a link,

5a4h
- With a long title, a portion of the title will be hanging on a second line by itself. This may or may not be nice for viewing, but does give an uncertainty to whether the link and other 'second line' parameters are indeed on the second line,

5a4i
- This might encourage the title to be another line after 'From' and restrict the title to whatever fits on the first line of the citation,

5a4i1
- Note that the full last name is used in the FROM line.

5a4j
- The duplication of the author is for the following purposes:

5a4k
- the organization can be specified

5a4k1
- to simulate existing formats of memos

5a4k2
- to allow the full last name to be seen (with a large community of users the ident might be very obscure and the IDENT system not used by the naive user,)

5a4k3
- Note that except for the message header, only the first letter of the header is uppercase.

5a4l

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This allows the actual message (if it appears) to stand out. 5a4l1

Note a one line, all level view has a "decent" view. Also if one turns on "y" viewspec with all lines, all levels the format looks "good". 5a4m

The message text should begin on the same line as the word MESSAGE since a one line view of the citation would provide one line of the message itself thus adding information to the decision process of whether to read this item and, later, helping to decide if it is relevant. 5a4n

CON: It would be easy to delete and manipulate the message text if it were a branch headed by "MESSAGE" (messages are projected to be plexes which are less than 2000 characters.) 5a4n1

In the event that no one is receiving the item for action the "TO" list will be empty; should the header "TO" still appear or should the entire line be missing? Same for the "CC" line. 5a4o

The "received" statement is the last one since: 5a4p

most felt it irrelevant 5a4p1

some professional journals put date received at the end of the article. 5a4p2

The split between lines and statements should be guided by viewspec controls and ease of manipulation. 5a4q

The clipped views showing one or two lines only will provide a nice view of mail items. 5a4r

Perhaps the COMMENTS field could be temporarily used for specifying references (indeed it has been by many). 5a4s

It should be noted that the new field called REFERENCES has been strongly supported by several people. This would require a mod to the sendmail subsystem. The value is, of course, in having a clearer interlinking among the journal collection and conforming to many formats used by government and others. 5a4t

Few supported having the date and time on the first line.



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All supported having it appear in the first statement and having the capability to sort on it, 5a4u

Note that the time is a 24 hour clock, 5a4v

The CC list represents those who were specified as receiving item for information only for journal items and the CC list in the sndmsg items, 5a4w

Note that the DATE TIME starts on a new line so that it will not be split as it might be if it just followed the AUTHOR and TITLE, 5a4x

Note that the date, time and link are on the second line first statement. Sorting on date and time can easily be done. It is intended that such sort programs be made available at the same time this new header is instituted, 5a4y

Note that even for messages the complete link is given. It is hoped that this will be enough to actual perform the link, 5a4z

Should the directory appear in the link? It might be confusing to most people. It is unneeded but makes retrieval faster, 5a4a@

Another alternative for those wanting the date and time on first line, 5b

RLL 22-OCT-74 1332 PDT, A Note on the future of journal citation,  
<:wg> <JOURNAL,JRNL24,J12345:wg> for ACTION [PRIV,UNREC] 5b1

To: ABC DEF GHI  
Cc: JKL MNO PQR SRT  
From: OFFICE-2, Lieberman (SRI-ARC) 5b1a

Comments: Just a test for fun. [Not here if no comments] 5b1b

MESSAGE: If, indeed, it is delivered, the message text appears here, 5b1c

References: <MJOURNAL,34567,1:w> [Not implemented yet] 5b1d

Keywords: test, journal, header [Not here if no keywords] 5b1e

Received at: 22-OCT-74 1356 PDT 5b1f

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RLL JHB 22-OCT-74 1332 PDT, A Note on the future of journal citation format  
 <HJOURNAL,12345,1:w> for ACTION [UNREC] 5b2

To: ABC DEF GHI  
 Cc: JKL MNO PQR SRT  
 From: OFFICE=2, Lieberman (SRI-ARC) Bair (SRI-ARC) 5b2a

Comments: Just a test for fun. [Not here if no comments] 5b2b

Received at: 22-OCT-74 1359 PDT 5b2c

Discussion: 5b3

See the discussion with other alternative. 5b3a

A carriage return follows the title. 5b3b

The author is first field to allow for a meaningful statement name (statement names cannot begin with a number hence the date would be a poor choice). 5b3c

The duplication of the author is for the following purposes: 5b3d

the organization can be specified 5b3d1

to simulate existing formats of memos 5b3d2

to allow the full last name to be seen (with a large community of users the ident might be very obscure and the IDENT system not used by the naive user.) 5b3d3

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(J24828) 26=DEC-74 13:54;;; Title: Author(s): Robert N. Lieberman/RLL; Distribution: /DCE( [ ACTION ] ) JCN( [ ACTION ] ) JHB( [ ACTION ] ) JAKE( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) JDH( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) RWW( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ; Keywords: journal citation header; Sub=Collections: SRI=ARC; Clerk: RLL; Origin: < LIEBERMAN, HEADERS,NLS;37, >, 26=DEC-74 13:46 RLL ;;;;####;

Cover Letter

This note announces release of the second published version of the Procedure Call Protocol -- PCP Version 2. Version 2 is SUBSTANTIALLY different than Version 1; it and all intermediate, informally distributed PCP documents are obsoleted by this release.

1

Version 2 consists of the following documents. Each is available on-line in two forms: as an NLS file and as a formatted text file. The Journal number (e.g. 24459) refers to the former, of course, and the pathname (e.g. [SRI=ARC]<NLS>PCP.TXT) to the latter, accessible via FTP using USER=ANONYMOUS and PASSWORD=GUEST (no account required). Hardcopy is being forwarded by US Mail to all those who have expressed an interest in PCP. If you don't receive a copy and would like one of this and/or future releases, send a note to that effect to WHITE@SRI=ARC:

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PCP (24459,) "The Procedure Call Protocol"

2a

This document describes the virtual programming environment provided by PCP, and the inter-process exchanges that implement it.

2a1

Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>PCP.TXT

2a1a

PIP (24460,) "The Procedure Interface Package"

2b

This document describes a package that runs in the setting provided by PCP and that serves as a procedure-call-level interface to PCP proper. It includes procedures for calling, resuming, interrupting, and aborting remote procedures.

2b1

Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>PIP.TXT

2b1a

PSP (24461,) "The PCP Support Package"

2c

This document describes a package that runs in the setting provided by PCP and that augments PCP proper, largely in the area of data store manipulation. It includes procedures for obtaining access to groups of remote procedures and data stores, manipulating remote data stores, and creating temporary ones.

2c1

Pathname: [SRI-ARC]<NLS>PSP,TXT 2c1a

PMP (24462,) "The Process Management Package" 2d

This document describes a package that runs in the setting provided by PCP and that provides the necessary tools for interconnecting two or more processes to form a multi-process system (e.g. NSW). It includes procedures for creating, deleting, logically and physically interconnecting processes, and for allocating and releasing processors, 2d1

Pathname: [SRI-ARC]<NLS>PMP,TXT 2d1a

PCPFMT (24576,) "PCP Data Structure Formats" 2e

This document defines formats for PCP data structures, each of which is appropriate for one or more physical channel types. 2e1

Pathname: [SRI-ARC]<NLS>PCPFMT,TXT 2e1a

PCPHST (24577,) "PCP ARPANET Inter-Host IPC Implementation" 2f

This document defines an implementation, appropriate for mediating communication between Tenex forks, of the IPC primitives required by PCP. 2f1

Pathname: [SRI-ARC]<NLS>PCPHST,TXT 2f1a

PCPFRK (24578,) "PCP Tenex Inter-Fork IPC Implementation" 2g

This document defines an implementation, appropriate for mediating communication between processes on different hosts within the ARPANET, of the IPC primitives required by PCP. 2g1

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PCPTNXINT (24792,) "Tenex PCP Process Internal Structure" 2h

This document defines the internal structure of a PCP process implemented to run on Tenex, and as such serves as a process implementer's guide. It describes the process' fork structure, the role and composition of each fork, and the manner in which the various forks interact with one another; indicates which components are supplied with PCP and which are the responsibility of the process implementer; and describes the manner in which the components are assembled at load time. 2h1

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2h1a

The first document, PCP, is the place the interested reader should start. It gives the required motivation for the Protocol and states the substance of the Protocol proper. The reader may then, if he chooses, read the next three documents: PIP, PSP, and PMP. The latter has the most to offer the casual reader; the programmer faced with coding in the PCP environment should read all three. The final few documents -- PCPFMT, PCPHST, and PCPFRK -- are of interest only to the PCP implementer. The final (and most recent) document should be of interest to implementers of the PCP mechanisms in TENEX.

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Cover Letter

This note announces the release of the second published version of several National Software Works (NSW) and Procedure Call Protocol (PCP) documents. Version 2 is SUBSTANTIALLY different than Version 1; it and all intermediate, informally distributed PCP documents are obsoleted by this release.

1

Each of the following documents is available on-line in two forms: as an NLS file and as a formatted text file. The Journal number (e.g. 24459) refers to the former, of course, and the pathname (e.g. [SRI=ARC]<NLS>PCP.TXT) to the latter, accessible via FTP using USER=ANONYMOUS and PASSWORD=GUEST (no account required). Let it be emphasised that files indicated by pathname of the form [SRI=ARC]<NLS>name.TXT are ASCII text files not NLS files.

2

The specifications are contained in the following documents:

3

HOST (24581,) "NSW Host Protocol"

3a

This document describes the host level protocol used in the NSW. The protocol is a slightly constrained version of the standard ARPANET host to host protocol. The constraints affect the allocation, RFNM wait, and retransmission policies.

3a1

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3a1a

EXEC (24580,) "The Executive Package"

3b

This document describes a package that runs in the setting provided by PCP. It includes procedures and data stores for user identification, accounting, and usage information.

3b1

Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>EXEC.TXT

3b1a

FILE (24582,) "The File Package"

3c

This document describes a package that runs in the setting provided by PCP. It includes procedures and data stores for opening, closing, and listing directories, for creating, deleting, and renaming files, and for transferring files and file elements between processes.

3c1



Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>FILE.TXT 3c1a  
FILE=APP (24813,) "The File Package Appendix" 3d  
This appendix contains some comments on implementation strategy. The thrust is to argue that the file package as specified is near minimal and that the conversion between the PCP format and the internal storage format can be encapsulated into a few subroutines. 3d1  
Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>FILE=APP.TXT 3d1a  
BATCH (24583,) "The Batch Job Package" 3e  
This document describes a package that runs in the setting provided by PCP. It includes procedures for creating and deleting batch jobs, obtaining the status of a batch job, and communicating with the operator of a batch processing host. This package is implemented at the host that provides the batch processing facility. 3e1  
Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>BATCH.TXT 3e1a  
LLDEBUG (24579,) "The Low=Level Debug Package" 3f  
This document describes a package that runs in the setting provided by PCP. It includes procedures for a remote process to debug at the assembly-language level, any process known to the local process. The package contains procedures for manipulating and searching the process' address space, for manipulating and searching its symbol tables, and for setting and removing breakpoints from its address space. Its data stores hold process characteristics and state information, and the contents of program symbol tables. 3f1  
Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>LLDEBUG.TXT 3f1a  
BOXES (24584,) "Black Boxes in PCP" 3g  
This document describes the transliteration of the black boxes defined by Millstein and Warshall into the setting provided by PCP, especially the File Package and the Executive Package. 3g1  
Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>BOXES.TXT 3g1a  
RJE=MODEL (24655,) "The NSW Remote Job Entry Model" 3h

This document discusses the process of utilizing a batch processing facility to complete a programming task in the NSW environment. This same activity in another environment might utilize a remote job entry system.

3h1

Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>RJE-MODEL.TXT

3h1a

TBH (24656,) "NSW Requirements on Tool Bearing Hosts"

3i

This document discusses the environment needed in the tool bearing host and the interfaces to the operating system components by various PCP packages.

3i1

Pathname: [SRI=ARC]<NLS>TBH.TXT

3i1a

NVTP (24827,) "The Network Virtual Terminal Package"

3j

The Network Virtual Terminal Package (package name = NVTP) contains the procedures interfacing PCP procedure calls to terminal oriented input and output character streams as defined by the ARPANET Telnet protocol.

3j1

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3j1a

The document on the Host level protocol, HOST, is a suggestion for some restrictions on the regular ARPANET host protocol for use in NSW, this topic has little impact on the remainder of the NSW protocols.

4

The documents EXEC, FILE, FILE=APP, and BATCH describe procedure packages to be implemented as appropriate to provide the services of the accounting/status/usage statistics subsystem, the file subsystem or batch processing subsystem respectively.

5

The LLDEBUG package specifies a debugging package that operates in the PCP environment.

6

The document called BOXES describes a mapping between the PCP mechanisms and the File Package procedures and the Black Boxes needed by the Works Manager.

7

The document RJE-MODEL describes how a user would utilize various tools in the NSW in the process of carrying out tasks he might in the absence of NSW achieve using a remote job entry system. This should be read with the document on BATCH.

8

The document TBH speaks to the requirements placed on the Tool Bearing Host. This document indicates how and where various PCP packages interface to an operating system.

9

The NVTP document describes how a PCP package may be used to interface between the PCP world and the existing ARPANET Telnet Protocol.

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NLS-8 Command Summary

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## NLS-8 Command Summary

## SUPERVISOR SUBSYSTEM

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Execute (command in) SUBSYSTEM	3
SUBSYSTEM = Base/Programs/Sendmail/Useroptions/Calculator	
Goto (subsystem) SUBSYSTEM OK	4
SUBSYSTEM = Base/Programs/Sendmail/Useroptions/Calculator/Tenex	
Goto (subsystem) Tenex OK	5
Help TYPEIN (Help) TYPEIN (Help) ...	6
Help TYPEIN (Help) - ("FLASHBACK") ANSWER OK (Help) ...	7
Help TYPEIN (Help) " OK (Help) ...	8
Help OK (Help) TYPEIN (Help) ...	9
Help OK (Help) - ("FLASHBACK") ANSWER OK (Help) ...	10
Help OK (Help) " OK (Help) ...	11
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!DNLS! Jump (to) Address (relative to) DESTINATION ADDRESS VIEWSPECS OK	13
!TNLS! Jump (to) Address DESTINATION OK	14
Jump (to) Back DESTINATION VIEWSPECS OK	15
Jump (to) Content First CONTENT VIEWSPECS OK	16
Jump (to) Content First OKREPEAT VIEWSPECS OK	17
Jump (to) Content Next CONTENT VIEWSPECS OK	18
Jump (to) Content Next OKREPEAT VIEWSPECS OK	19
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## NLS-8 Command Summary

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Jump (to) File Return OK ("FLASHBACK") ANSWER	23
!DNLS! Jump (to) File BUG VIEWSPECS OK	24
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Jump (to) Link CONTENT OK	27
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Jump (to) Name First CONTENT VIEWSPECS OK	30
Jump (to) Name Next CONTENT VIEWSPECS OK	31
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NLS-8 Command Summary

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!TNLS! *	55
!TNLS! \	56
!TNLS! /	57
!TNLS! .	58
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Archive File CONTENT OK	63
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(and Date of) Write OK / Time (and Date of) Read OK / Time (and  
Date of) First (Version Creation) OK / Time (and Date of) Last  
(Dump) OK / Time (and Date of) Creation OK / Time (and Date of)  
Archive OK / Size (in Pages) OK / Protect OK / No Extension  
(name) OK / No Versions (number) OK / Number (of) Accesses OK /  
Number (of) Versions (to keep) OK / Miscellaneous (Information)  
OK / Length (and Bytesize) OK / Last (Writer) OK / Everything  
OK / Dump (Tape Number) OK / Date (of) Write OK / Date (of)  
Read OK / Date (of) First (Version Creation) OK / Date (of) Last  
(Dump) OK / Date (of) Creation OK / Date (of) Archive OK /  
Account OK / Archive Tape (Numbers) OK / Archive Status OK /  
For (File) CONTENT OK / Undelete (Files Only) OK / Delete (Files  
Only) OK / All (Files) OK

SRTOPT = Write (Time and Date) / Size (in Pages) / Read (Time  
and Date) / First (Version Creation) / Number (of) Versions (to  
keep) / Number (of) Write / Number (of) Read / Number (of)  
Accesses / Length (in Bytes) / Last (Writer) / Dump Time (and  
Date) / Dump Tape / Delete (Status) / Creation (time and Date)  
/ Bytesize / Archive Time (and Date) / Archive Tape /  
Alphabetical / Account

GRPOPT = Write (Date) / Read (Date) / Protect / Number (of  
Versions to Keep) / Last (Writer) / First (Version Creation) /  
Dump Tape / Dump Date / Delete (Status) / Creation (Date) /  
Archive Tape / Archive Status / Archive Date / Account / No  
(Grouping)

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Reserve Xdoc (numbers == how many?) CONTENT (insert the number  
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## DEFINITIONS AND CONVENTIONS

This document assumes that you know the meanings of the basic NLS concepts. We here define special terms needed to understand the syntax of the command summary. Use the on-line Help command or the forthcoming hardcopy Users' Glossary for general concepts and functions of the commands.

Each command=word begins with a capital letter, and the rest is lower case. Recognition of command=words will depend on the users' recognition mode. Words all in upper case are variables, which stand for certain alternatives; they are either defined below, or are denoted following the commands in which they appear.

(...) noise words echoed by system; prompts are not shown

!...! our comments, not part of commands

/ means or

SUBSYSTEM = Base / Programs / Sendmail / Calculator / Useroptions  
!Others are allowed sometimes, see the syntax  
for each command!

(These are commandwords)

STRING = Character / Word / Visible / Invisible  
/ Number / Link / Text

(These are commandwords)

STRUCTURE = Statement / Group / Branch / Plex

(These are commandwords)

## ADDRESS:

a FILEADDRESS and/or an INFILEADDRESS ending with an OK (or just an OK in TNLS for prior location). FILEADDRESS if used must come first. Elements of an INFILEADDRESS, if more than one are used, must be separated by <SP>.



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## DESTINATION:

In TNLS: DESTINATION = ADDRESS,

In DNLS: DESTINATION = BUG / ADDRESS

When referring to Group or Text, two BUGS or two ADDRESSES are needed,

## SOURCE:

In TNLS: SOURCE = ADDRESS / OPTION TYPEIN

In DNLS: SOURCE = BUG / ADDRESS / OPTION TYPEIN

When referring to Group or Text, two BUGS or two ADDRESSES are needed,

## CONTENT:

In TNLS: CONTENT = TYPEIN / OPTION ADDRESS

In DNLS: CONTENT = BUG / TYPEIN / OPTION ADDRESS

When referring to Group or Text, two BUGS or two ADDRESSES are needed,

TYPEIN = a string of characters from the keyboard, ending with an OK,

TYPEIN has a special form when a FILEADDRESS or Link or Ident is called for (You can tell from the noise words),

OPTION = the <CTRL-u> character

## LEVEL-ADJUST:

a lowercase u or d or a string of lowercase u's and d's, optionally preceded by integers, terminated by a <SP> or OK, the difference between the number of u's and d's is taken as a level adjustment value. If you only type a <SP> or OK, the level will be the same,

## VIEWSPECS:

Type a string of any of the viewspec codes, terminated by an OK, or just type an OK if you don't want to change the viewspecs,

ANSWER: Type y for yes or n for no

You usually may also type OK here; the command will be immediately executed in most cases,

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OK = CA / OKINSERT / OKREPEAT

	DNLS	TNLS
Default special characters:	DNLS ----	TNLS ----
CA: Command Accept: confirms a command or terminates a field within a command,	CA/ <CTRL-d>	CR/ <CTRL-d>
OKINSERT: At the end of a command in Base subsystem only, executes the command and starts "Insert Statement" command, defaulting current location. Then you do: LEVEL-ADJUST CONTENT OK, INSERT mode continues until you type CD. In all other cases, OKINSERT has no special meaning; it is equivalent to Command Accept.	<CTRL-e>	<CTRL-e>
OKREPEAT: At end of any command, executes it and repeats it from the beginning, defaulting each command- word until reaching the first field not a command-word that you can specify. Then you take over the command, REPEAT mode continues until you type CD. Used elsewhere, OKINSERT has no special meaning; it is equivalent to Command Accept.	<CTRL-b>/ ALTMODE	<CTRL-b>/ ESC/ALT
CD: Command Delete: aborts a command immediately, will also take you out of INSERT or REPEAT mode,	CD/ <CTRL-x>	<CTRL-x>

If a TYPEIN or a LEVEL-ADJUST or VIEWSPECS or an ADDRESS immediately precedes OK, the field's terminator serves as the OK character, so if you want to INSERT or REPEAT the command, terminate the TYPEIN, LEVEL-ADJUST, VIEWSPECS, or ADDRESS with the INSERT or REPEAT instead of CA.

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The new Lineprocessor Users' Guide is available in hardcopy from FEEDBACK, the trainers, or ARC=ADG. This journalized version is primarily for historical purposes. An online version is being maintained in (Userguides,Lineprocessor,), which will be the source document for any further update/release.



## INTRODUCTION

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The Lineprocessor is a device that sits between certain alpha-numeric display terminals and a source of NLS computer service to allow use of the features of Display NLS.

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At a workstation equipped with a Lineprocessor you can view your file two-dimensionally, like looking at a page, and at the same time make changes anywhere in text by pointing to it on the screen with a rolling, pointing device called a mouse. A mouse and a small keyset allow typing in characters with one hand while moving the mouse with the other. A printer may be attached and function in parallel with normal display use. The Lineprocessor also does some simple computing that reduces the load on the communication lines and the central computer.

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The Lineprocessor must be connected to a source of computer service. It may be wired directly to the computer or to a network connection, or the connection may be through a high-speed telephone line, with modem. The modem may use an acoustic coupler that cradles the receiver. Whatever the Lineprocessor is connected to is herein called the External Processor.

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Detailed instructions follow for starting up DNLS under two different sets of conditions. Read the section called "TIP USER'S STARTUP" if your Lineprocessor is either directly wired, or connected by a modem without acoustic coupler, to a TIP (Terminal Interface Message Processor; see the TIP User's Guide for further information). Read the section called "ELF USER'S STARTUP" if your Lineprocessor is either directly wired, or connected by a modem without acoustic coupler, to a PDP-11 ELF system. If the devices are not connected yet, see the "Setup" procedures in Appendix B.

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## TIP USER'S STARTUP

- STEP 1: Turn on the display with its ON-OFF switch. 2a
- STEP 2: Turn the display to "online" or "receive" mode if this does not happen automatically; make certain that some dial or switch on the terminal is set to "full duplex" mode. 2b
- STEP 3: On the Lineprocessor (the blue and white box), make sure all the sense switches (the slim silver toggles on the upper right) are down (See Figure 1 on page 8). 2c
- STEP 4: If you have a telephone modem, turn it on. 2d
- STEP 5: Turn on the Lineprocessor with the ON-OFF button toward the lower right and press the System Reset button. 2e

NOTE: At this point the display cursor (on most displays a small line like a hyphen) should move when you move the mouse on the table. If it doesn't, first press the System Reset button, center top on the Lineprocessor. If that doesn't work, check the connections described under "Appendix B, Setup". 2e1

The "error" light on the upper left corner of the Lineprocessor does not indicate a problem at this stage. If it comes on, turn it off by pressing the Error Reset button just to its left. The status lights (See Figure 1) should read: 0X00 (X means light ON; 0 means light OFF). 2e2

- STEP 6: Type "@ i <SP> 25 <CR>", 2f

NOTE: You are to type the characters that are between the quote marks. <SP> indicates you are to hit the SPACE bar. The blank spaces are for readability only. <CR> indicates you are to hit the Carriage Return key. 2f1

Normally the character "@" (atsign) gets the attention of the TIP. The TIP starts listening when you hit "@" and stops listening when you hit Carriage Return or Linefeed. The atsign is called the TIP intercept character. "@" is inconvenient for the Lineprocessor. The 25 in the command to the TIP in STEP 6 makes <CTRL-Y> the TIP intercept character. <CTRL-Y> will remain your TIP intercept character until you turn off the machines, reset the TIP, the TIP malfunctions, or you set the intercept to some other character (see--Appendix B, "Trouble Shooting"). <CTRL-Y> is a control character, which you type by holding down the CTRL key (like a shift key) while typing the character after the hyphen. 2f2

STEP 7: Type "<CTRL-Y> o <SP> 43 <CR>" 2g

NOTE: 43 is the number of host Office-1; you may open a connection to other hosts by using other numbers. Only certain hosts run NLS. The number of host BBN-TENEXB is 49. 2g1

The TIP will respond by writing "open" and Office-1 will respond with its TENEX login message: 2g2

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TENEX 1.3#.#.# OFFICE-1 EXEC 1.5# #  
@
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 2g2a

STEP 8: When you've seen the atsign "@" after the message, type: "USERNAME <SP> PASSWORD <SP> <CR>", 2h

NOTE: For "USERNAME" & "PASSWORD", fill in your access information. When the login is completed, you will see your job number and other information, and the TENEX @ will print again. 2h1

STEP 9: Now type "ter <ESC> li <ESC> <CR>", 2i

NOTE: This is to tell the system you are working at a Lineprocessor. <ESC> means to hit the ESCAPE or ALTMODE key on your keyboard. 2i1

STEP 10: When you see the atsign again, call NLS by typing "nls <CR>", 2j

NOTE: Your display will change to the specially formatted DNLS screen. You will see that your initial file has been loaded for you in the display area. When the display changes, the status lights should read: 0X0X (light 3 will come on). If not, push the System Reset button first, and if that doesn't work, give a <CTRL-C> to get back to TENEX and start again with STEP 9. If at any time the lights flash, wait until the Ep port's LPR light has stopped blinking (indicating that data flow from the external processor has stopped) and then push the System Reset button (illustrated on page 8). The lights should stop flashing, your display will disappear briefly, and then reappear working normally--with lights 0X0X. Push the button again if that doesn't happen (if there is still no response, read Appendix G, section--5g5).

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TO LEAVE THE SYSTEM (and return later):  
To end your DNLS session and also Logout from TENEX, type (in DNLS):  
"<SP> L <CA>". 2k

NOTE: This gives the Logout command in NLS which logs you out of both NLS & TENEX. <CA>--Command Accept--means to type your OK character, labeled "OK" or "CA" on the keyboard. 2k1

At this point you can leave the machines on and pick up at STEP 8 later by first typing <CTRL-C> (unless "Closed" has appeared on your screen in the meantime; in that case start at STEP 6); 2l

OR, you can switch off the Lineprocessor and display power. Turning off the Lineprocessor closes your TIP connection to Office-1 and resets your TIP intercept character to "@". For your next session, you will have to start again with STEP 1. Start over again whenever the machines have been turned off, no matter what was previously typed (If the machines were turned off while your job was still running, your job may be detached. Check if this is so before you do STEP 8 again; use the WHERE command described in paragraph "3." under==5g5b); 2m

OR, you can give the TIP command to close your connection to Office-1: "<CTRL-Y> c <CR>". This will not reset your TIP intercept character; you may pick up again at STEP 7; 2n

OR, you can reset the TIP, which closes your connection and resets the TIP intercept character, by typing "<CTRL-Y> r <CR>". To reenter the system, you will have to start with STEP 6. 2o

## ELF USER'S STARTUP

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STEP 1: Turn on the display with its ON=OFF switch,

3a

STEP 2: Turn the display to "online" or "receive" mode if this does not happen automatically; make certain that some dial or switch on your terminal is set to "full duplex" mode,

3b

STEP 3: On the Lineprocessor (the blue and white box), make sure all the sense switches (the slim silver toggles on the upper right) are down (See Figure 1 on page 8).

3c

STEP 4: Turn on the Lineprocessor with the ON=OFF button toward the lower right and press the System Reset button,

3d

NOTE: At this point the display cursor (on most displays a small line like a hyphen) should move when you move the mouse on the table. If it doesn't, first press the System Reset button, center top on the Lineprocessor. If that doesn't work, check the connections described under "Appendix B, Setup",

3d1

The "error" light on the upper left corner of the Lineprocessor does not indicate a problem at this stage. If it comes on, turn it off by pressing the Error Reset button just to its left. The status lights (See Figure 1) should read: 0X00 (X means light ON; 0 means light OFF).

3d2

STEP 5: Type <CTRL-C>  
or hit CALL button on the Data Media keyboard,

3e

NOTE: <CTRL-C> (hold down the CTRL key--like a shift key--while typing the letter "c") gets the attention of the ELF. It responds with this login message:

3e1

```
XXXXXX ELF System ##,##,##
TYPE ? IF YOU NEED HELP.
@
```

3e1a

STEP 6: When you've seen the atsign "@" after the message, login to ELF; type "log <SP> USERNAME <SP> PASSWORD <CR>",

3f

NOTE: You are to type the characters that are between the quote marks. <SP> indicates you are to hit the SPACE bar. The blank spaces are for readability only. <CR> indicates you are to type the Carriage Return key. For USERNAME & PASSWORD, fill in your access information. ELF will give you a job number and then the atsign will print again,

3f1

STEP 7: Type "telnet <CR>",

3g

NOTE: This calls the TELNET subsystem, which provides access to hosts on the ARPA Network. You are in Telnet when a "#" prints at the left margin of your screen.

3g1

STEP 8: Type "es <ESC> <CTRL-Y> <CR>",

3h

NOTE: <ESC> means to hit the ESCAPE or ALTMODE key on your keyboard.

3h1

Normally the character <CTRL-Z> gets the attention of telnet. Telnet starts responding when you hit <CTRL-Z> and stops responding when you hit Carriage Return. <CTRL-Z> is called the Telnet escape character. You will not be able to run the SNDMSG program at the host TENEX with <CTRL-Z> as the escape character, so this Telnet command will change the escape character to <CTRL-Y>. It will go back to <CTRL-Z> the next time you call Telnet.

3h2

The initial Telnet escape character may be permanently changed to <CTRL-Y> in the future. In that case, STEP 8 will no longer be necessary.

3h3

STEP 9: Type "office=1 <CR>",

3i

NOTE: This Telnet command requests a connection with the host Office=1; you may connect to other hosts by specifying other names. Only certain hosts run NLS. Type "bbnb <CR>" for host BBN-TENEXB. The host computer will respond with its TENEX login message:

3i1

```
TENEX 1.3#.#,##,## OFFICE=1 EXEC 1.5# ##
@
```

3i1a

STEP 10: When you've seen the atsign (this one is TENEX's ready signal), login to TENEX, type: "USERNAME <SP> PASSWORD <SP> <CR>",

3j

NOTE: You will see your a job number and other login information, and the TENEX @ will appear again.

3j1

STEP 11: Now type "ter <ESC> ll <ESC> <CR>",

3k

NOTE: This is to tell the system you are working at a Lineprocessor.

3k1

STEP 12: Call NLS, type "nls <CR>".

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NOTE: Your display will change to the specially formatted DNLS screen. You will see that your initial file has been loaded for you in the display area. When the display changes, the status lights should read: 0X0X (light 3 will come on). If not, push the System Reset button first, and if that doesn't work, give a <CTRL-C> to get back to TENEX and start again with STEP 11. If at any time the lights flash, wait until the EP port's LPR light has stopped blinking (indicating that data flow from the external processor has stopped) and then push the System Reset button (illustrated on page 8). The lights should stop flashing, your display will disappear briefly, and then reappear working normally--with lights 0X0X. Push the button again if that doesn't happen (if there is still no response, read Appendix G, section--5g5).

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TO LEAVE THE SYSTEM:

3m

STEP 13: To end your DNLS session and also Logout from TENEX, type (in DNLS): "<SP> L <CA>".

3n

NOTE: This gives the Logout command in NLS which logs you out of both NLS & TENEX. <CA>--Command Accept--means to type your OK character, labeled "OK" or "CA" on the keyboard.

3n1

STEP 14: Type: <CTRL-Y>

3o

NOTE: This returns you to Telnet. TELNET's # will print at the margin of your screen.

3o1

STEP 15: Type "quit <Cr>".

3p

NOTE: You'll return to your local ELF. The ELF's @ will print at the margin.

3p1

STEP 16: Type "logo <CR>".

3q

NOTE: You log out from local ELF. Turn OFF Lineprocessor and display terminal;  
OR, leave the machines on and pick up again later with STEP 5.

3q1

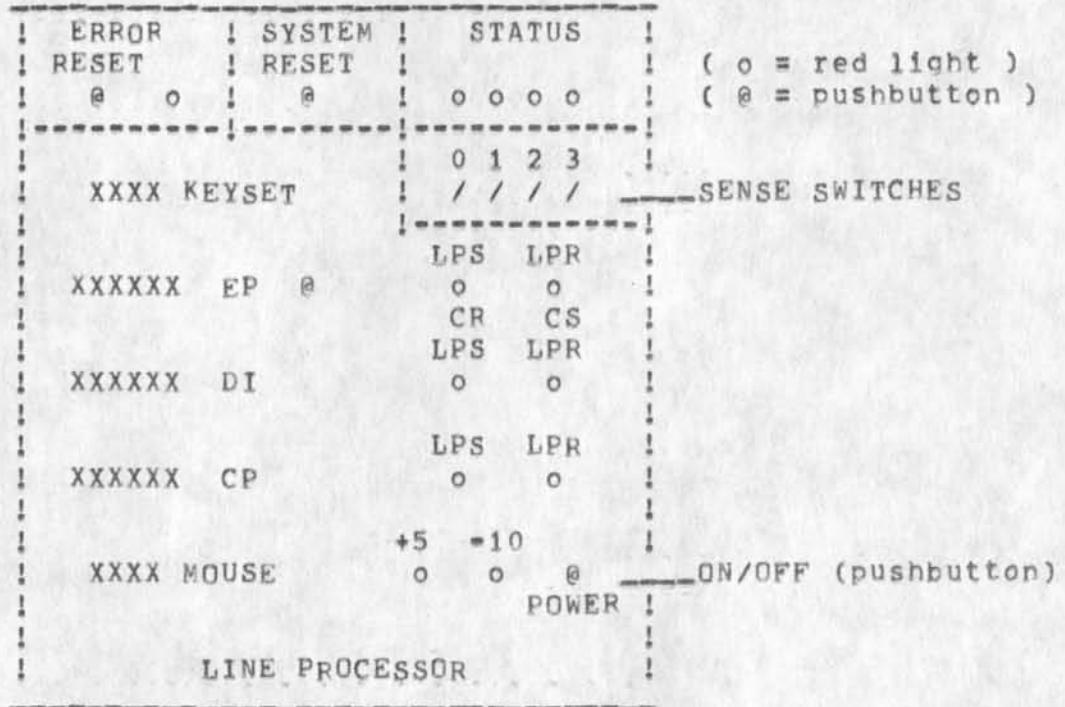


FIGURE 1 - LINEPROCESSOR

LEGEND:

CONNECTION PORTS  
 EP = External Processor  
 DI = Display  
 CP = Copy Printer

DATA FLOW LIGHTS  
 LPS = Lineprocessor Send  
 LPR = Lineprocessor Receive  
 CR = Computer Receive  
 CS = Computer Send

SENSE SWITCHES  
 0 = Printer Operation  
 1 = Echo Test  
 2 = Special Keys  
 3 = Coordinate Mode

STATUS LIGHTS  
 0 = Printer Status  
 1 = Lineprocessor Status  
 2 = Echo Test  
 3 = Coordinate Mode

[Note that the Lineprocessor sends to and receives from both the display and the EP. The send and receive data flow lights for the display and the EP are to the right of their respective ports, send in the left column & receive in the right. The proper light flashes when a character is being transmitted.]

[See appendices E & F for more about Sense Switches and Status Lights.]



## APPENDICES

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## Appendix A, Printer Operation [Doesn't work for ELF users]

5a

The copy printer (CP) port on the Lineprocessor is designed to produce a hard copy in parallel with normal workstation use. At present it is necessary to run a user program to get a printout. Running this program, called LPPRINT, allows a Lineprocessor user to print a sequential file on the hardcopy terminal attached to the copy printer port.

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## Pre-Operational Notes:

5a2

1. Be sure the Lineprocessor CP port speed matches the speed of the hardcopy terminal which you have connected to the port. To check this, open the top of the Lineprocessor. Facing upward near the center you will see a column of thumb switches with white numbers indicating the position; these are the switches that select the speed for each port. The third switch from the front panel is the switch for the CP port. Turn that switch to the appropriate one of the following positions:

5a2a

Position 0 = 300 baud  
Position 1 = 600 baud  
Position 2 = 1200 baud  
Position 3 = 2400 baud  
Position 4 = 4800 baud  
Position 5 = 9600 baud

2. Sense Switch 0 (see Figure 1 on p.8) on the Lineprocessor controls the printing: DOWN = PRINT, UP = DON'T PRINT. Put the switch up when you want to interrupt the printing to fix jammed paper, position the paper, etc; then put the switch back down and your printing will continue (i.e, the characters are not lost).

5a2b

3. Most importantly, the LPPRINT program allows you to print only sequential files, not NLS files. Thus, before you begin the LPPRINT procedure below, output the NLS file you want to print to a sequential file. Some NLS commands which result in a sequential file are:

5a2c

Output Sequential File  
Output Quickprint File  
Output Printer File  
Output Terminal File

- To Run the LPPRINT Program: 5a3
- First make sure you are in DNLS and in Lineprocessor mode (lights should read: 0X0X) and all sense switches are down. 5a3a
- [Typing instructions: You type characters that are in upper case below, with these exceptions: OK means hit the CA or OK key; <CR> means to hit the Carriage Return key; do not type anything in parentheses.] 5a3b
- Execute (command in) programs Load Program LPPRINT OK 5a3c
- Execute (command in) Programs Run Program LPPRINT OK 5a3d
- [At this point the program will prompt you with the words in parentheses:] 5a3e
- (print file:) SEQUENTIALFILENAME <CR> 5a3f
- [SEQUENTIALFILENAME indicates where you are to specify the name and extension of the sequential file you made, e.g., REPORT.TXT]
- (on LP printer ok?) <CR> 5a3g
- (device type:) DEVICECODE <CR> 5a3h
- [For DEVICECODE you are to indicate the type of printer being used; type one of the following codes:  
TI for Texas Instruments  
TE for the GE Terminet  
C for the Centronics 101  
M for the Memorex 1240  
See below for further comments on the devices this program supports.]
- Upon typing the Carriage Return, light 0 should be on, the LPS light across from the CP port should begin blinking, and printing should start. 5a3i

## Interruption of Printing:

5a4

To interrupt printing at any time, flip up sense switch 0. While switch 0 is up you may perform any NLS operation, or any TENEX operation if you reach TENEX by NLS's Goto Tenex command and return to NLS via TENEX's Quit command before you put switch 0 back down. When you put switch 0 down again, printing will continue.

5a4a

At times when many data transmission errors are occurring, the printer may stop (STOP, not just pause for a few seconds). Press the System Reset button, and printing should take up where it left off. Very occasionally, Reset will drop a few characters from what was printing.

5a4b

## To STOP the Printing:

5a5

To stop printing altogether before the document is finished, run the program LPPRINT again, like so:

5a5a

first make sure you are in DNLS and in Lineprocessor mode (lights should read: 0X0X) and switch 0 is down.

Execute (command in) Programs Run Program LPPRINT OK

At this point the program will recognize that you are already printing and ask you if you want to stop. Type <CR>.

5a5b

This program supports only certain hardcopy devices investigated by us--currently the Texas Instruments 700 series, the GE Terminets, the Memorex 1240, the Centronics 101, and the Anderson/Jacobson 830 (For the AJ830, give TI for DEVICECODE when running the program on the previous page). Potentially, any ASCII terminal can be used as a copy printer; different terminals require different padding provisions in the LPPRINT program. If you want us to support a new printer device, you should see to it that ARC's Applications Staff gets necessary technical data to make these provisions in the program.

5a6

## Appendix B, Setup

5b

When first setting up a display and Lineprocessor, perform these steps:

5b1

Plug display into "DI" port of Lineprocessor.

5b1a

Set the transmission rate of your display to 9600 baud.

5b1b

Set Lineprocessor "DI" speed to 9600 baud (under the top cover of the Lineprocessor, the 5th thumb switch from the front is the one for the DI port--turn it to position 5).

5b1c

Set display to full duplex (called "echo plex" on some terminals).

5b1d

Connect the line from the modem, TIP, or computer to the "Ep" port on Lineprocessor.

5b1e

Set the "EP" baud rate switches to the correct setting -- to match PDP-11 or modem or TIP connection speeds.

5b1f

Connect printer (if you have one) to "CP" port on Lineprocessor and set speed to correct value (see--5a2a).

5b1g

Connect mouse and keyset to Lineprocessor at the plugs marked on the Lineprocessor.

5b1h

## Appendix C, Teletype Mode

5c

The mode of Lineprocessor operation that supports a two-dimensional display and the action of the mouse is called coordinate mode. The Lineprocessor-display combination can also simulate a teletype. A command to the host computer switches from one mode to the other. The command you gave in the Startup procedure, Terminal type Lineprocessor, activates coordinate mode. If you don't call for that, the Lineprocessor goes into Teletype mode. If you are in coordinate mode, the TENEX command Terminal Type 37 will return you to teletype mode.

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## Appendix D, Special Key Translation

5d

Because NLS uses certain control characters for common special functions (e.g., <CTRL-p> for Command Accept <CA>, and <CTRL-X> for Command Delete <CD>), the Lineprocessor translates convenient keys on some keyboards into these special function codes. The translation depends on the keyboard; we suggest you stick labels on the keys listed:

5d1

## Data Media

5d2

Tilde is changed to Command Accept or OK [<CA> <CTRL-D>].

5d2a

Capital \_ is changed to Command Delete [<CD> <CTRL-X>].

5d2b

Rubout is changed to Backspace Character [<BC> <CTRL-A>].

5d2c

\ is changed to Backspace Word [<BW> <CTRL-W>].

5d2d

Left brace is changed to Command Delete [<CD> <CTRL-X>].

5d2e

Right brace is changed to \_.

5d2f

## Delta Data

5d3

RUBOUT [<CTRL-X>] is changed to Command Accept [<CA> <CTRL-D>].

5d3a

Back quote is changed to Backspace Character [<BC> <CTRL-A>].

5d3b

Left brace is changed to Backspace Word [<BW> <CTRL-W>].

5d3c

Right brace is changed to OKREPEAT [<CTRL-B>].

5d3d

Vertical bar is changed to Command Delete [<CD> <CTRL-X>].

5d3e

NOT symbol is changed to RUBOUT [<CTRL-X>].

5d3f

## Hazeltime

5d4

Left brace is changed to Command Accept [<CA> <CTRL-D>].

5d4a

Vertical bar is changed to Command Delete [<CD> <CTRL-X>].

5d4b

Right brace is changed to Backspace Character [<BC> <CTRL-A>].

5d4c

NOT symbol is changed to Backspace Word [<BW> <CTRL-W>].

5d4d

## Appendix E, Sense Switch Settings

5e

All sense switches are down in normal operation of NLS through the Lineprocessor,

5e1

Putting sense switch 0 up stops printer output (for changing paper, etc.)

5e2

Putting switch 1 up and then hitting the System Reset button starts a Lineprocessor Echo-test program running. Do this only with an ARC hardware person's help (See below--Appendix H, Hardware Checkout),

5e3

Putting sense switch 2 up inhibits the translations of special keys noted in Appendix D; the keys then have their normal meanings,

5e4

Putting sense switch 3 up inhibits transmissions of the location of the cursor to the computer. In this condition you may send control characters through the Lineprocessor to the TIP or TENEX as if you were at a teletype (See Appendix C).

5e5

## Appendix F, Status Lights

5f

The lights on in normal operation are either lights 1 and 3 (for Display mode), or light 1 only (Teletype mode),

5f1

Light 0 on means the printer is "open",

5f2

Light 1 on means the Lineprocessor is running.

5f3

Light 2 is only on (i.e. status lights reading: 00x0) when the Echo-test program is running. This is a hardware checkout program ARC can run for you (See below--Appendix H, Hardware Checkout),

5f4

Light 3 on means the Lineprocessor is in "coordinate" mode. When light 3 is on you may send control characters to the External Processor as if there were no Lineprocessor,

5f5

If the lights start flashing, wait for the light labeled LPR to the right of the plug marked EP to remain off for at least a second, then push the System Reset button. If you were in NLS when this happened, the screen should be repainted for you,

5f6

- Appendix G, Trouble Shooting 5g
- Reset of TIP Intercept Character (for TIP users) 5g1
- If you are using a TIP and break your connection with it or Reset the TIP (by typing "<CTRL-Y> R <CR>"), the intercept character for the TIP returns to "@". You must then repeat STEP 6. The number 16 instead of 25 in the command in STEP 6 would make <CTRL-P> the TIP intercept character instead of <CTRL-Y>. 5g1a
- Sometimes your TIP intercept character (the character that interrupts what you're doing and reads your input as commands to the TIP) may be changed to assign "@" by accident (such as a data error on the phone line). It is difficult to tell when this happens, but it will trouble you when you happen to hit "@" in the course of your work. Then the TIP will start reacting in unexpected ways to what you type. 5g1b
- If your commands stop going in, or there is unrecognizable response to your input, or your normal intercept character fails, and there are no indications of other errors described below, test for this problem by typing a carriage return. Chances are that your preceding input will not be a valid TIP command, and therefore the TIP will respond with "BAD". When you see "BAD", repeat STEP 6 and then press the System Reset button on the Lineprocessor; you should be able to go on working. 5g1c
- Error Lights 5g2
- The error light on the upper left of the Lineprocessor indicates a hardware transmission error, which usually does not affect the operation of your programs. Hit the reset button next to it to turn it off. This light should not come on, but occasional errors are possible. Frequent errors indicate hardware failure or incorrect setup. 5g2a
- Local Loop Test Button (on some later models of Lineprocessor) 5g3
- To check if the cause of transmission failure is due to the External Processor or the local Lineprocessor, you can hold down the button just to the right of the EP connection while typing characters. Characters input bypass the EP - you are simply in a local loop. If the two data flow lights across from the EP port blink in response to your input, then the Lineprocessor probably is sending and receiving successfully. 5g3a

## Halts

5g4

The Lineprocessor will detect certain kinds of errors and will halt, displaying an error number in the status lights (the error number flashes on and off at about 10 Hertz).

5g4a

The number indicates a type of transmission error or program error that prevents the Lineprocessor from continuing.

If in NLS, the user should wait until the "LPR" light on the "EP" connection stops flashing, and then push the System Reset button. NLS will restore the Lineprocessor status and the display.

If not in NLS, the user must issue the Terminal type Lineprocessor command (STEP 9 in the TIP Startup section above; STEP 11 in ELF Startup) to TENEX again and continue.

If trouble persists, call ARC personnel at (415)326-6200 extension 3630, or, if you can wait a day, send a message to FEEDBACK.

## When the Host Crashes or your Connection is Broken

5g5

Symptoms: You are in DNLS and nothing seems to be happening on the screen; or the lights on the Lineprocessor are flashing; or you suspect that you are not connected to anything.

5g5a

## TIP User's Response:

5g5b

Hit the System Reset button on the Lineprocessor, and wait up to one minute. If the screen repaints, continue as before. If it does not, type <CTRL-T> twice. If the answer is "RUNNING,,,", all your connections are good, the host is connected, and some process is running. Give it 5 minutes to complete and respond. If still nothing happens, then hit <CTRL-C> and do STEPS 9 - 10 of the TIP User's Startup instructions again and you should be in DNLS. If there was no response to your <CTRL-T>s, do just STEP 7 of the TIP User's Startup. The response should be one of the following:

1. "Host not responding": This means that your host computer is down. Close your connection (type "<CTRL-Y> c <CR>") and try STEP 7 again later to see if you get response 3 below.



2. "CAN'T": Your connection is still open. Type a <CR> and hit system Reset button; if your screen does not come back, type "<CTRL-Y> c <CR>" and after "Closed" prints, try STEP 7 again to see if you get response 3 below.

3. The TENEX login message (see STEP 7): Do not login again immediately; to find out if your job is still there, first type "where <SP> USERNAME <CR>". If the response is "NOT LOGGED IN", then continue with STEP 8. If the response is "DETACHED JOB ##", attach to your disconnected job by typing "attach <SP> USERNAME <SP> PASSWORD <SP> <CR>". Then type <CTRL-C> and continue with STEP 9.

## ELF User's Response:

5g5c

Hit the System Reset button on the Lineprocessor, and wait up to one minute. The response should be one of the following:

1. The screen repaints: continue as before.

2. The screen blanks out and the Telnet "#" appears on the left of the screen: Your host has most likely crashed, or you have been logged out. Do STEP 9 again and if it succeeds go on from there. If the connection is not made you can do STEPS 15 - 16 now and start completely over again later.

3. The screen blanks out and an "@" appears on the left of the screen: you're in TENEX, still logged in to the host; do STEPS 11 - 12 again.

4. The screen stays blank: Type <CTRL-T> twice.

a) If no response, your ELF has crashed. Try again later by hitting <CTRL-C>. When the ELF login message--or just its atsign--appears (see STEP 5 of ELF User's Startup), do STEPS 6 - 9 again. Do not login again immediately; to find out if your job is still there, first type "where <SP> USERNAME <CR>". If the response is "NOT LOGGED IN", then continue with STEP 10. If the response is "DETACHED JOB ##", attach to your disconnected job by typing "attach <SP> USERNAME <SP> PASSWORD <SP> <CR>". Then type <CTRL-C> and do STEPS 11 - 12 of the ELF User's Startup again.

b) If the answer is "RUNNING...", all your connections are good, the host is connected, and some process is running. Give it 5 minutes to complete and respond. If still nothing happens, then hit <CTRL-C> and do STEPS 11 - 12 of the ELF User's Startup again.

#### Directly Connected User's Response:

5g5d

Type a <CTRL-C>. If you get the TENEX atsign, do not login again immediately; to find out if your job is still there, first type "where <SP> USERNAME <CR>". If the response is "NOT LOGGED IN", then go ahead and login. If the response is "DETACHED JOB ##", attach to your disconnected job by typing "attach <SP> USERNAME <SP> PASSWORD <SP> <CR>". Then type <CTRL-C> and do the Terminal type Lineprocessor command and call NLS.

#### Appendix H, Hardware Checkout

5h

There is a hardware checkout procedure for measuring the error rate between the host and the Lineprocessor, called echo-test. If you suspect many errors in your communication line, call ARC [(415)326-6200 extension 3630] and ask for someone to run the Lineprocessor's Echo-test program for you, with your help. A hardware person will probably ask you to put Switch 1 up and hit System Reset and give you further directions from there.

5h1

The Lineprocessor uses cards that include Programmable Read Only Memory (PROM). A two-PROM hardware test program is available from SRI=ARC for testing Lineprocessors. Operating instructions are included. A sequence of simple tests are provided to check out each aspect of the Lineprocessor and connected devices.

5h2

For more information on test programs, communicate with Martin Hardy at:

5h2a

SRI  
333 Ravenswood Avenue  
Menlo Park, California 94025  
(415) 326-6200 ext.3921

or, send a message to FEEDBACK.

5h2b

The version number of the PROM in your Lineprocessor appears in the upper left hand corner of the screen as a letter and a number. If you are working through a TIP it shows briefly when you hit the System Reset button; if you are not working through a TIP it remains in place. From time to time ARC will issue updates, e.g. to accommodate new printing devices. ARC will notify you how to handle a change.

5h3

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KIRK;

## PCP Table of Contents

## Procedure Call Protocol Documents

## Table of Contents

PCP	(24459,)	"The Procedure Call Protocol"
PIP	(24460,)	"The Procedure Interface Package"
PSP	(24461,)	"The PCP Support Package"
PMP	(24462,)	"The Process Management Package"
PCPFMT	(24576,)	"PCP Data Structure Formats"
PCPHST	(24577,)	"PCP ARPANET Inter=Host IPC Implementation"
PCPFRK	(24578,)	"PCP Tenex Inter=Fork IPC Implementation"
PCPTNXINT	(24792,)	"Tenex PCP Process Internal Structure"

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(J24836) 26-DEC-74 18:05;;; Title: Author(s): Jonathan B.  
Postel/JBP; Distribution: /JBP( [ INFO=ONLY ] ); Sub=Collections:  
SRI-ARC; Clerk: JBP; Origin: < POSTEL, PCPTOC,NLS;5, >  
26-DEC-74 16:07 JBP ;;;;####;

## SRI-ARC CY74 Accomplishment List

A list requested by Licklider of all PI's == contributed to by Watson, Norton and Feinler, and assembled/edited by Engelbart. The original was Output to Sequential File with VSPECS 'wynhA', and the resulting sequential file SNDMSG'd to Licklider at ISI, with alternate copies at OFFICE-1 and BBN-TENEX. Considerable trouble getting through to ISI, don't know if succeeded.

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## MAJOR R&amp;D ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1974

1

## 1) Released a Major New Version of NLS (NLS-8)

1a

The main design goals of this system were listed in last year's accomplishments. The significance of this year's accomplishment was their successful implementation, checkout, documentation, and user training.

1a1

NLS-8 from the user point of view consists of new capabilities for tailoring the interaction to user preferences through a User Profile database; a multilevel Help capability, providing prompting and optional showing of next-alternative command terms, command syntax, or relevant entry into a Help database with a simple query facility for full online documentation (Hardcopy documentation is derived from these facilities as well); greater consistency in command language forms; new commands where there was a strong need; and the ability to write sequences of commands and have them executed from a file.

1a2

From a system point of view, NLS-8 has a number of structural changes and ideas for specification of the user interaction at a high level, compilation of this specification into a data structure that in conjunction with the User Profile controls an interpreter. These ideas are being adopted in other ARPA programs such as the National Software Works (NSW), ISI message system, and are under consideration in ARPA programs under plan.

1a3

## 2) Released Line Processors to Support DNLS on Cheap, Commercial CRT Terminals

1b

Last year we designed a micro computer based box that would adapt a class of low cost commercially available alphanumeric CRT systems into true two dimensional devices for output (multi-window split screen operation) and allow use of two dimensional input pointing devices. This year a number of these devices are in field use supporting terminals of four different manufacturers. The Air Force through the NSW program will be exploring their use. The basic display techniques and communication protocols were published and have influenced other ARPA contractors in their design of terminal control systems.

1b1

The Line Processor is now being adapted to handle general graphics displays as well as offline cassette devices.

1b2

## 3) Designed Advanced Protocols for Resource Sharing on the ARPANET

1c

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As part of the work for NSW, a new approach to protocols has been designed and thoroughly documented for inter-process and/or interhost communication and control. We call the approach a Procedure Call Protocol. It creates a distributed programming and process control environment. In effect it makes procedures and data structures of remote software systems as accessible to the programmer as those within his own system. 1c1

This approach will make it quite easy for new systems to be constructed from appropriate parts of existing systems and should greatly facilitate crossnet and cross process resource sharing. 1c2

4) Designed a Distributed-Service Frontend System 1d

A mini-computer system has been designed to provide a coherent command language environment for the multi-tool NSW system. We expect this approach to have considerable impact on system organizations of other systems to operate within an ARPANET like marketplace of information services. It will not only supply services to users to simplify the number of conventions they have to know when using a variety of ARPANET tools, but also provide services for tool builders to greatly simplify the task of specifying the user interface. The Frontend will provide all terminal handling and command parsing facilities and thus decrease the cost of providing new tools. 1d1

The initial Frontend will be implemented on a PDP-11 running the ELF operating system. We have developed a cross compiler and debugging environment for use of our system programming language L-10 for use with the PDP-11. 1d2

5) Designed a Distributed-Service Operating System Interface 1e

One important goal of the work ARC is doing on NLS and the NSW Frontend is to provide mechanisms to simplify and decrease the cost of movement of the programs developed to a variety of machines and operating system environments. To this end we have designed a virtual environment that all application level programs will see as their operating System Interface (OSI). The OSI will in turn contain the actual calls on a given operating system. 1e1

6) Designed Extensions for the NLS File System 1f

Designs have been completed that will enable NLS to support text and other media such as graphics, voice and so forth in an integrated fashion. Many systems support text, or speech, or

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graphics, but this development will open the way for tool developments that utilize multimedia,

1f1

7) Designed Access Support for R&D Software Workers from ARPANET Sources

1g

We made the plans and ordered the hardware necessary to allow us to obtain the computer needed by our development staff from ARPANET hosts,

1g1

The significance of this development is that it is the first case of a fairly large project giving up its local computing capacity to obtain equivalent capacity through the Network, from sites specializing in providing service,

1g2

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE OF A DIFFERENT NATURE FROM "HARD" R&D ACCOMPLISHMENTS, THEY WOULD BE OF VALUE IN AN ARPA REVIEW MAINLY IF THERE WAS NEED FOR EXPLICIT EXAMPLES OF THE NEWER KIND OF INFORMATION SERVICES THAT WERE BOTH NEEDED BY, AND FACILITATED BY, THE APPLICATION OF A COMPUTER NETWORK,

2

MAJOR APPLICATION ACCOMPLISHMENTS

3

1) Launching the AKW Utility -- A customer-supported service was inaugurated in January '74, providing advanced ARPA-developed computer tools and application techniques from a centrally operated computer facility. An important part of the service is the unique support provided to the collaborative work among distributed clientele,

3a

We feel that this is an important accomplishment, to provide for exploratory application by DoD clientele these very-advanced, ARPA-developed techniques that would be prohibitively expensive to install and support if distributed among the clients' local computer facilities. It is significant that, not only are the computer services being delivered over the Network, but a great deal of the collaborative counseling for user development is supported by the Network's advanced communication facilitation,

3a1

Here, the primary objective is one set by SRI, but ARPA's support was very important:

a) Some direct ARPA support came during this past year from its purchase of approximately half of the service capacity (while perhaps not from ARPA R&D funding, nonetheless a candidate for ARPA-supported accomplishment),

b) The Utility is built directly on top of two of ARPA's past R&D investments -- i.e. in the ARPANET and in ARC's Augmented Knowledge Workshop techniques,

3a2

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2) Supporting the Report Development for the DoD Interneting Study Group -- a large report (over 300 typewritten pages) was developed by at least twelve heavy contributors, selected from among the larger Study Group. Many successive drafts, through heavy review and revision cycles, with most of the clerical work being done by newly trained secretaries provided by DCA using ARPA slots at OFFICE-1.

3b

This was an experiment on our part; apparently successful insofar as customer satisfaction is concerned. The report would have been extremely difficult to develop in the time frame allowed with any other means. High-quality photo-composition service via the Utility will produce the final edition.

3b1

MAJOR SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS BY THE NETWORK INFORMATION CENTER (NIC)

4

1) Arpanet Directory

4a

Two issues of the Arpanet Directory were published and distributed in 1974, one in January and one in June. The format was revised to one that was more compact and easier to use.

4a1

2) Official Hostnames List

4b

The NIC maintained the Official Arpanet Hostnames List throughout 1974. This involved identifying new hosts on the network, contacting the host and getting a liaison appointed, establishing an official hostname, and collecting necessary data concerning computer, operating system, IMP/HOST combination, host address, and related information. The hostnames are made available through a machine-readable text file, <NETINFO>HOSTS.TXT, via ftp from OFFICE-1.

4b1

4) Protocol Notebook

4c

The Protocol Notebook was brought up to date in June and distributed to those known to have the full ringbinder Protocol Notebook. Since June of 1974 there has been no official protocol Notebook distribution as the NIC had distributed all of its copies and funds were not available to produce more. During this interval the NIC has functioned as an Interlibrary Loan distribution center for the separate RFCs that made up the old Protocol Notebook.

4c1

The lack of a Protocol Notebook was causing considerable hardship to new hosts coming onto the network, so in November



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all existing protocols and some proposed protocols were gathered together. These have been published into a best-effort document and will be deposited with the Defense Documentation Center and ultimately with the National Technical Information Service where copies may be purchased by persons requesting a copy. The volume is being produced now and should be in the hands of DDC by early January 1975.

4c2

## 5) Resource Notebook

4d

New information was collected from all the hosts in May of 1974 with approximately 80-90% responding. Much of this was entered into online files and some was sent for hardcopy publication. There are now over 120 hosts with more being added continuously. It was agreed that the NIC would use Dec 1974 as a cut-off date for the upcoming issue of the Resource Notebook. It is now being reworked, and will hopefully be produced in hardcopy in a new compact handbook format in early 1975. Along with the usual host write-ups, work has included collection of available software packages and user programs available at the various server hosts. This information should be useful to new users of the network.

4d1

## 3) Official Liaison List

4e

Until June of 1974 the NIC maintained the Network Liaison Group as a subset of its Identification File. From this file hardcopy listings were distributed to all requestors. Since June 1974 when hardcopy distribution was halted, the NIC has maintained online, machine-readable official Liaison files at Office-1 for access by an Arpanet user via ftp. <NETINFO>LIAISON.TXT, contains names, addresses, hosts, phone numbers and network mailbox addresses, and <NETINFO>LIAISON-SNDMSG.TXT, contains listings of network mailbox addresses only, organized so as to be usable to send sndmsgs to all network liaison with network addresses. This has become one of the major distribution lists on the ARPANET.

4e1

## 6) RFC Distribution

4f

Until June 1974 RFCs were distributed to a large number of network personnel in hardcopy by the NIC. Since June, hardcopy distribution has ceased due to cuts in funding. It is now requested that all new RFCs be produced as online files. These are being distributed online to requestors. Copies are being maintained by the NIC at OFFICE-1 for access by ftp by any network user. Plans are underway to make the hardcopy available as soon as a suitable distribution and charging mechanism is worked out.

4f1

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## 7) Reference Data Bases

49

The NIC maintains several other online reference data bases, not all of which are available to the user community. The largest of these is the Resource Handbook data base available to users from OFFICE-1 via the NIC/QUERY language. In addition, the NIC assists in maintaining the ARC Identification System and also maintains a 100 page reference file called HOSTADDR-MASTER. This is used for hostname reference and is also used to maintain much of the information in the Arpanet Directory. It is not available to the general public. Each write-up for the Resource Handbook is maintained online as a separate file for editing and viewing purposes. Work files (totaling over 200 files) are maintained at SRI-ARC by the NIC and finished versions are shipped to OFFICE-1 for viewing. Another large programs file, not yet available to the public, is also being built.

4g1

## SRI-ARC CY74 Accomplishment List

(J24837) 26-DEC=74 18:36;;; Title: Author(s): Douglas C.  
Engelbart/DCE; Distribution: /SRI-ARC( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ;  
Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC; Clerk: DCE; Origin: < ENGELBART,  
ARC-ACCOMP,NLS;3, >, 26-DEC=74 17:34 DCE ;;;;####;

To JAKE re a Licklider question on official host naming

Jake: Let me know soon if there is a reasonable answer for Lick (and the rest of his distributees??) -- cf, the following copy of a SNDMSG I just recieved:

1

L27-0420 LICKLIDER: Host-Name Confusion

Distribution: CRAY AT I4-TENEX, SUTHERLAND, ENGELBART AT SRI-ARC, licklider

Sent: 27-DEC-74 0721-EST

2

Just now I noticed that I could not send a message to Cray at the address given in the 'from' field of a message I received from him. I was sending from BBN, TENEX C, I think, (anyway, from BBN) and 'KI4-TENEX' was not recognized as a host name. 'I4-TENEX' was recognized (but is it the same machine?), SRI-ARC keeps the official list of host names. Let me ask you to get together on this matter.

2a

Regards

2b

Lick

2c

To JAKE re a Licklider question on official host naming

(J24838) 27-DEC-74 08:39;;; Title: Author(s): Douglas C.  
Engelbart/DCE; Distribution: /JAKE( [ ACTION ] ) JCN( [ INFO-ONLY ] )  
RWW( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ; Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC; Clerk: DCE;

Pre-Xmas announcement of present

Missed you on my brief visit Mon, but I'm still in the area (using your terminal--thanks) and will be back to return terminal. If you would like to get together for any NLS discussions, just let me know. Merry Holidays to the Kennedys.

Pre-Xmas announcement of present

Congratulations to the Christians...and to the new(?) grandfather!!  
There's a restaraunt in Boston called the Noname restaurant. Dont  
no about the same practise for people.

1

Pre-Xmas announcement of present

(J24839) 27-DEC-74 08:53;;; Title: (Unrecorded) Title:  
Author(s): James H. Bair/JHB; Distribution: /EJK( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ;  
Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC; Clerk: JHB;



userguide,locator questions

My question was not about the location of the Tenex manual, it was about the changes made to the locator: what exactly they are and why they were made, particularly the long standing listing of the NLS code files. Were/are you responsible for this? POOH made the last changes. She should answer the question??

1

userguide,locator questions

(J24840) 27-DEC-74 09:08;;; Title: (Unrecorded) Title:  
Author(s): James H. Bair/JHB; Distribution: /KIRK( [ ACTION ] ) KIRK( [  
INFO-ONLY ] ) ; Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC; Clerk: JHB;

## NSW Table of Contents

## National Software Works PCP Documents

## Table of Contents

HOST	(24581,)	"NSW Host Protocol"
EXEC	(24580,)	"The Executive Package"
FILE	(24582,)	"The File Package"
FILE-APP	(24813,)	"The File Package Appendix"
BATCH	(24583,)	"The Batch Job Package"
LLDBUG	(24579,)	"The Low-Level Debug Package"
BOXES	(24584,)	"Black Boxes in PCP"
RJE-MODEL	(24655,)	"The Remote Job Entry Model"
TBH	(24656,)	"Requirements on Tool Bearing Hosts"
NVTP	(24827,)	"The Network Virtual Terminal Package"

NSW Table of Contents

(J24841) 27-DEC-74 10:29;;; Title: Author(s): Jonathan B.  
Postel/JBP; Distribution: /JBP( [ INFO-ONLY ] ); Sub-Collections:  
SRI-ARC; Clerk: JBP; Origin: < POSTEL, NSWTOC,NLS;5, >,  
27-DEC-74 10:28 JBP ;;;;####;

Locator answers to JHB's 'userguide,locator questions' > <24840,>  
responding to my 'userguide,locator questions' <24835,>

Jim, Although other people make changes to locator (POOH updates userguides listings, Jeff keeps the catalog links working, etc.) I have re-acquired the job of coordinating it. Please feel free to address questions about it to me and I will keep you informed of changes. In "Changed Userguides Locator. ?" <24816,> you said "the Tenex references are no longer in NLS form". Could you provide a link to one or an example as I cant find what you are talking about?

1

Locator answers to JHB's 'userguide,locator questions' > <24840,>  
responding to my 'userguide,locator questions' <24835,>

(J24842) 27-DEC-74 14:30;;; Title: Author(s): Kirk E. Kelley/KIRK;  
Distribution: /JHB( [ ACTION ] ) POOH( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) DVN( [ INFO-ONLY  
] ) JOAN( [ INFO-ONLY ] for dirt notebook) ; Sub=Collections: SRI-ARC;  
Clerk: KIRK;

## Network Journal Delivery

This is a suggestion for the text of the message sent to notify people of network journal delivery.

1

Date: 27 Dec 74 1435=PST  
From: JOURNAL at SRI=ARC  
Subject: [title]  
To: POSTEL at SRI=ARC, WHITE at SRI=ARC

The NLS Journal document: [number]  
Titled: [title]  
by: [author full name]  
whose SNDMSG address is: [authors sndmsg address]  
and whose ident is: [author ident]  
is now available as an online text file in the standard document  
format number 1 with the  
pathname: [pathname]  
the document is [count] pages long.

1a

Note that the entire message must conform to the standards of RFC561 (18516,) and that the file pointed to by the pathname must be an output processed textfile in format 1 of the standard file formats specified in RFC678 (31524,).

2

Network Journal Delivery

(J24843) 27-DEC-74 16:28;;; Title: Author(s): Jonathan B.  
Postel/JBP; Distribution: /FEED( [ ACTION ] ) FDBK( [ ACTION ] ) NPG( [  
INFO-ONLY ] ) ; Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC FDBK NPG; Clerk: JBP;  
Origin: < POSTEL, TEMP,NLS;2, >, 27-DEC-74 16:12 JBP ;;;;###;



Some recommended ways of handling some problems that have arisen in the NLS Frontend-Backend Split

The following are some suggested ways of handling some Frontend-Backend facilities withing the NLS-9 and NSW context.

Process commands and record/playback session

FE:

We make available in the CML a construct of the form INPUT FROM fn( args ). The frontend will call fn and expect to get a buffer of input characters from the fn for each co-routine return it makes until it returns an End-of-File indication. When this happens, the FE will again read chars from the user's terminal.

The FE may make available some debugging facilities so tat the user may STEP through the simulated user input. In addition, we could establish some conventions so hat certain characters or character string might cause the FE to interact with the real user for a while, etc.

ALSO allow OUTPUT TO fn() for recording sessions, etc.

BE:

Provides a PCP-callable function that co-routine returns buffers of chars (say 200) to be used as a simulation of user input. Likewise, provide a recording fn.

Terminal type simulation

FE:

This will be handled almost entirely in the FE. The CML will allow a declaration of a fn to call in a BE to inform it of terminal class and window dimensions, etc.

BE:

BE will provide a routine for setting teminal class. This will also be used for screen sharing.

terminal linking (screen sharing)

FE:

This is handled mostly in the FE. Whenever a tool tries to manipulate the user's terminal (via calls on fns in FE) then

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the FE communicates this to the other FE's which perform the same action on its user's terminal. 1c1a

BE: 1c2

IF the BE cares about this happening (NLS will) then it should provide a fn (described above) which the FE will call when this is happening so the BE can adjust to the new conditions. 1c2a

This will be mostly a problem of formatting things on the terminal so that it fits on the logical intersection of the terminals being linked. 1c2a1

abort errors 1d

FE: 1d1

This is a standard PCP abort return from a remote fn. FE will display any msg and reset. 1d1a

BE: 1d2

BE should use PCP abort return to kill the command. 1d2a

status messages to user 1e

FE: 1e1

CML will provide a construct of the form SHOW (param), where param may be a variable or a fn call. If it is a fn call the a co-routine return is permitted and will allow te msg to be presented to the user piecemeal. The FE could instruct the fn to continue or stop on each co-routine resume. 1e1a

BE: 1e2

Fns just return the message as a result. 1e2a

TTY simulation window 1f

FE: 1f1

This is handled entirely by the FE and uses the window priority sceme provided by the OSI to control whether or not it is displayed. 1f1a

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User programs that interact with the user,	1g
FE:	1g1
These are tools and are no different than other tools from the FE's viewpoint,	1g1a
BE:	1g2
The NLS BE will provide a fn to load a user program BE and make its external fns callable thru PCP,	1g2a
NDDT	1h
This will be replaced by KEV's debugger and will look very much like a normal tool with a grammar and BE's. When it is invoked, the CLI will be restarted to process the debugger grammar, when the control is returned to the original tool, the CLI will continue parsing that tool's grammar. The debugger will probably be implemented like IDDT,	1h1
BIT table manipulation	1i
This will be part of the OSI,	1i1
name area and viewspec area	1j
FE:	1j1
These areas do not exist. The space on the screen may be allocated by a parse fn and maintained by parse fns but the FE takes no responsibility for them and does not know they exist,	1j1a
BE:	1j2
No direct interaction with these areas,,	1j2a
Subsystem/tool name area	1k
FE:	1k1
May maintain such a window,	1k1a
BE:	1k2
Doesn't know it exists,	1k2a

Some recommended ways of handling some problems that have arisen in  
the NLS Frontend-Backend Split

(J24844) 27-DEC-74 17:22;;; Title: Author(s): Charles H. Irby/CHI;  
Distribution: /NPG( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) RWW( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ;  
Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC NPG; Clerk: CHI; Origin: <  
NSW-SOURCES, SPLIT-NOTES,NLS;1, >, 27-DEC-74 17:21 CHI ;;;;###;

## Bad bug in Copy or Move STRING across split screens

This is in running nls. Whenever a copy or move STRING command is used across horizontally split screens, the destination window gets recreated at an apparently random place in the file, not where you were when you made the edit. Also the return ring no longer remembers the original place. DvN says when using vertically split screens, he gets in a loop every time and has to reset. This is probably more a function of the different files than different splits. Taking a look at pscopy, I notice dpset is called before curmkr is updated and ccoptex is called...

1

KIRK 28-DEC-74 10:11 24845

Bad bug in Copy or Move STRING across split screens

(J24845) 28-DEC-74 10:11;;; Title: Author(s): Kirk E. Kelley/KIRK;  
Distribution: /FEED( [ ACTION ] ) JDH( [ ACTION ] ) DVN( [ INFO-ONLY ] )  
BUGS( [ INFO-ONLY ] ) ; Sub-Collections: SRI-ARC BUGS; Clerk: KIRK;

Request for Permission to Journalize Old Messages

I am pigeonholing some of my old sendmessages. Do either of you have any objection to my journalizing what's in (vannouhuys,holdmess,old) under the Title that is the first statement of the branch?

1

DVN 28-DEC-74 14:01 24846

Request for Permission to Journalize Old Messages

(J24846) 28-DEC-74 14:01;;; Title: Author(s): Dirk H. Van  
Nouhuys/DVN; Distribution: /KIRK( [ ACTION ] ) JMB( [ ACTION ] ) ;  
Sub=Collections: SRI=ARC; Clerk: DVN;



Request for Permission to Journalize Old Messages

I am pigeonholing some of my old sendmessages. Do you have any objection to my journalizing what's in (vannouhuys,holdmess,dialog) under the Title that is the first statement of the branch?

1

DVN 28-DEC-74 14:04 24847

Request for Permission to Journalize Old Messages

(J24847) 28-DEC-74 14:04;;; Title: Author(s): Dirk H. Van  
Nouhuys/DVN; Distribution: /DLS( [ ACTION ] ); Sub-Collections:  
SRI-ARC; Clerk: DVN;

## ROUGH DRAFT NSW Documentation Work Breakdown and Time Allocation

I am sending out this draft to a few people mainly in the hope it will stir up enough information to make a better draft possible. If any of you believe I have omitted, misdivided, or misallocated anything, please let me know.

## HELP(S)

By helps I mean covering a given subject in a help file, whether as a separate file or dispersed in a larger file,

	1
HELP(S)	
By helps I mean covering a given subject in a help file, whether as a separate file or dispersed in a larger file,	2
NLS's New File structure, [1wk]	2a
COBOL Interface [2wks]	2b
Graphics [2wks]	2c
DPCS [4wks]	2d
Includes getting the present system in and figuring out how to do that,	2d1
Sequential I/O [1wk]	2e
Mail I/O [1wk]	2f
NLS for "Inexperienced Users" [2wks]	2g
(Needs to be very good.)	2g1
Works Manager [3wks]	2h
Not a lot of material, as I understand it, but unfamiliar ground.	2h1
Command Summaries	3
COBOL Interface [,.5wk]	3a
DPCS [,.5wk]	3b
-Possibly including Official User Programs,	3b1
NLS "For Inexperienced Users" [,.5wk]	3c
Works Manager [1wk]	3d
Primers	4
COBOL Interface [1wk]	4a

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Works Manager [2wk]	4b
Graphics [2wks]	4c
NLS "For Inexperienced Users" [2wks]	4d
May be a re-write of the existing TNL8-8 Primer, in which case will take less time.	4d1
Discursive Introductions	5
COBOL Interface [1.5wk]	5a
Graphics [1wk]	5b
DPCS [1wk]	5c
New features only.	5c1
Mail I/O [1wk]	5d
NLS for "Inexperienced Users" [1wks]	5e
(Needs to be very good, may be rewrite of Introduction to NLS,))	5e1
Works Manager [2wks]	5f
Not a lot of material, as I understand it, but unfamiliar ground.	5f1
Scenarios (other than primers, may be more than one to a subject; here is where we would give ground first on priority.)	6
COBOL Interface [1wk]	6a
DPCS [1wk]	6b
New features only.	6b1
Sequential I/O [1wk]	6c
Mail I/O [1wk]	6d
Works Manager [1wks]	6e
Total person weeks: 34	7

## ROUGH DRAFT NSW Documentation Work Breakdown and Time Allocation

The Labour Pool From January till July 8

POOH: January taken up by keeping up the shelves, finishing Glossary. Half time from then on maintaing Help and the shelves of documentation. Leaves 11 weeks free. 8a

DvN: Will be spending a time decreasing irregularly from 75% to 25% on NSW documentaton. Planning, review, and Special projects will take up that time. 8b

KIRK. Working Half Time on Documentation including reprogramming. January takn up with reprogramming and running Glossary stuff. Leaves 5weeks 8c

XXX who will be hired. Presumably can work close to full time on these projects. It will be the end of January before she can be useful. Leaves 22 weeks. We are depending on this new person. 8d

Total:36 weeks. That's cutting it pretty fine if there are schedule problems. 8e

Some Problems and Questions 9

To explain our dcumentation system to MCA, 9a

How to we creat the NLS-9 Help file(s), by beginning to build them up now, by a massive edit of NLS-8 help in May (seems a natural way, but hard on the Schedule), or some othr way? 9b

Do we set up a way for information about other people's tools to become available through the Works Manager's Help or some extension of it? Do we propose that for the NSW follow on? 9c

Note that Charles has proposed dividing NSW Help into separate files to confrom to NSW's limitations on who gets to use what. This will mean some extra work. 9d

Schedule: In don't understand the the scheduling of work on these parts of the system well enough to offer a documentation schedule yet. I hope to learn more in response to this draft. I do know that if they are all finished and need to be docuemented on June 1 we are in trouble. 10

## ROUGH DRAFT NSW Documentation Work Breakdown and Time Allocation

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KIRK: Wrote help descriptions for user=programs. They are in the review process. Fixed several "bugs" in help.	1
JMB: Revised Command Summary before sending to COM. Some commands, particularly Help commands, require editing after they come out of the system.	2
POOH: Continued work on NLS Glossary.	3
DVN:	4
Made rough DRAFT NSW documentation work breakdown and loading.	4a
Lineprocessor User's Guide: Copies ready to be proofed for printer errors.	4b
Preface to NLS: Waiting for Application's Review	4c
Introduction to NLS (replacing the Howto branch of help):Waiting to be written.	4d
TNLS Addressing: It is on me to respond to RWW's review.	4e
COM:	4f
Viewspec cards went to the printer	4f1
Martin Hardy's paper Microprocessor Technology is still waiting for DDSI to get stick fonts working.	4f2
The Sent revised Command Summary to DDSI.	4f3
The TNLS-8 Primer awaits my attention for COM printing.	4f4
Ken Victor's paper went back fo a second try at COM.	4f5
Talked on the phone to a number of possible applicants for documentation work here; asked several to fill in applications.	4g
Worked on organizing and editing final report.	4h

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