Notes on The Cornell Macintosh TN3270/.TN3270drvr/HyperCard Interface

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A new version of Cornell Macintosh TN3270 (1.3D1) is available along with a Macintosh driver which allows another Macintosh application running under MultiFinder to communicate with TN3270. A HyperCard stack is provided which uses the driver to connect with a host, check the state of TN3270, send data and commands, and put the screen into a HyperCard global.

This is a development version of this software, and both the HyperCard Interface and the driver interface are subject to change. Note that TN3270 must be launched before making calls.

HyperCard global fields:

TNID: Driver ID for XCMDs to use in subsequent calls.

TNscreen: A HyperCard global which is set to point to the TN3270 screen array in memory.

TNcursor: A HyperCard global which is set to point to the TN3270 cursor pointer in memory.

TNfield: A HyperCard global which is set to point to the TN3270 current field pointer in memory.

HyperCard XCMD calls:

Common Error Results placed in "the result":

"Out of memory"
"TN is not running"
"TN not opened"
"TNID is incorrect"

"TN has no connection"

"Can't set (interface global name)"

"Unknown error"

TNOpen "TNID" "TNscreen" "TNcursor" "TNfield": Open the TN3270 Driver.

TNID: The quoted name of a global which will be set to the driver number.

TNscreen: The quoted name of a global which will be set to the address of the TN3270 screen (an array of 1920)

characters).

TNcursor: The quoted name of a global which will be set to the address of the TN3270 cursor pointer (-> location

of cursor in the TNscreen array).

TNfield: The quoted name of a global which will be set to the address of the TN3270 current attribute pointer (->

the beginning of the current field in the TNscreen array).

the result is empty implies success;

"TÑ already open"
"Can't open .TNdrvr"

TNConnect TNID hostname: Open a 3270 Telnet session.

hostname: The name of a host to look up in the TN3270 host table or a dot-notation Internet address.

the result is empty implies no immediate error;

"TN already has a connection"
"Name not in host table"
"Invalid Internet Address"

TNStatus TNID: Get the status of the 3270 Telnet session: the "New Data" condition is reset after the call.

the result is empty implies no new data;

"TN waiting for connection"
"TN waiting on network"

"New Data"
"More..."
"HOLDING"
"Keyboard locked"
"TNID is incorrect"

TNClose TNID: Close the current session.

the result is empty implies success.

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the result is
TNReceive TNscreen "aglobal": Copies the contents of the TN3270 screen into a Hypercard global.
              A quoted HyperCard global name into which TN3270 will copy the screen.
the result is
             empty implies success.
TNSendCmd TNID class entry: Execute a TN3270 command.
              A character which indicates to TN3270 how to interpret the commandentry; the classes are:
class:
                  '' is an ASCII character.
                  'A' is a local action key.
                  'P' is a program function key.
                  'M' is a cursor movement key.
                  'X' is a cursor movement to a horizontal x location.
                  'Y' is a cursor movement to a vertical y location.
              A character or string which completes a command.
entry:
the result is
              empty implies success;
              "Invalid Command Class"
              "Invalid Command Entry"
              List of Command Entries for TNSendCmd:
              ASCII character class '
                  simply use ASCII characters.
              Local action class 'A':
                  INSRT
                                     "I" (capital i)
                                     "D"
                  DEL_CHAR
                  ERASE_EOF
INPUT_ERASE
                                     "E"
                                     "X"
                  BACKSP_DEL
                                     "B"
                                     "R"
                  RESET
              Program function keys class 'P':
                  PF1
                                     "1"
                                     "2"
                  PF2
                                     "3"
                  PF3
                                     "34"
                  PF34
                                     "35"
                  PF35
                                     "36"
                  PF36
                                     "a"
                  PA1
                                     "b"
                  PA2
                                     "c"
                  PA3
                  CLEAR
                                     "C"
                                     "Ē"
                  ENTER
              Cursor movement class 'M':
                                     "L"
                  LEFT_ARROW
                  DOWN_ARROW
                                     "D"
                                     "U"
                  UP_ARROW
                  RIGHT_ARROW
                                     "R"
                                     "0" (zero)
                  HOME
                  TAB_FWD
                  BACK_TAB
NEW_LINE
                                     "N"
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TNSendString TNID thestring: Put a string into the 3270 screen at the cursor location.

thestring:

The string.

Move cursor to the beginning of line Y class 'Y':

use a numeric string to designate the desired y location from "0".

Move cursor to X location class 'X':

use a numeric string to designate the desired x location from "0".

NB: When moving the cursor to a specific X,Y location, move to the beginning of line Y first, then move to the X location.