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A/UX Display Driver Is Modeled After UNIX Form

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TOPIC -----

Some Apple UNIX (A/UX) users have asked whether the display drivers used under A/UX are pure UNIX form drivers, or dependent on the display routines in the Macintosh Toolbox.

DISCUSSION -----

The display driver in A/UX is a text-based driver modeled after "STREAMS", a UNIX form driver. A/UX's display driver is a full implementation of a UNIX form driver, minus the multiplexing functions. The shell and UNIX-executable files that are part of A/UX are text-based.

Most of the Macintosh ToolBox routines are accessible through A/UX as library calls. These routines may be used in applications to create Macintosh environments, just as with Macintosh OS applications.
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