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DAL Message H000020IPa (2/93)

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TOPIC
I am using Blythe client Omnis 7 1.1 to connect to a DAL VTAM Server 1.3.5.
I issue DALSVR PKT3270 user pswrd and get the proper response: H00415dbx 1760
Then, anything else I type: (begin, open dbms) gets message: H000020IPa
DISCUSSION
The "dalsvr pkt3270 user password" command was documented in the installation guide to allow people to verify the VTAM server installation without having to rely on making a valid DAL Preferences script and connection from a Macintosh.
However, immediately following the detail on how to enter that command (and what you should see as a response) is the statement "Press PF3 to exit the server and return to the VTAM splash screen."
That final statement is there because it is impossible to communicate to the server directly. You can fake it into accepting the session, but you cannot actually "speak" to it as it thinks that it is talking to the DAL client and they converse in ASCII and a "DAL code".
In essence, when you tried to say "open dbms" to the server it said: "I don't know what you're talking about I'm terminating this session!!"
So you can't do anything more than is documented in the install guide. You will have to use an application (Omnis) or the DAL Tester to actually access the DBMS and obtain data. Copyright 1993, Apple Computer, Inc.
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