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MacX 1.1.7: Read Me Technical Information (4/93)

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TOPIC -----

This article contains technically-oriented information about MacX 1.1.7.

DISCUSSION -----

A/UX and MacX now support floppy disks just as Command Shell does: it permits floppies to be used either for Macintosh disk format or for Unix data. When a disk is inserted, a dialog is displayed which is similar to the one presented by Command Shell under similar circumstances. This dialog permits the user to choose between Macintosh format and Unix disk usage, or to eject the disk in case it was inserted accidentally. Floppy disks which are not in Macintosh format will be accepted silently, and disks which have not yet been formatted will result in a dialog which permits the disk to be initialized as a Macintosh disk.

Several new features have been added to MacX 1.1.7 to make the MacX window manager more convenient to use. Three commands have been added to the Window menu to support these new features. Also, while rootless X windows are being resized, the size of the window in client-specified units (normally pixels or, for text-oriented clients like terminal emulators, characters) is displayed in the menu bar.

Circulate Up (Cmd-U)

This command causes the bottom-most window in the collection of MacX windows to be brought to the top of the stack. This is handy for switching between windows easily without removing your hands from the keyboard to use the mouse to do so.

Circulate Down (Cmd-D)

This command causes the top-most window in the collection of MacX windows to be sent to the bottom of the stack. This is handy for switching between windows easily without removing your hands from the keyboard to use the mouse to do so.

Maximize Height / Restore Height (Cmd-M)

This command, which is only enabled when the front-most window is a rootless X client window, can be used to make the front-most window taller by extending its bottom edge to the bottom of the screen. If the front most window has already been extended in this way, the command restores the window's previous height.

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