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VAX: Need to Use Non-PostScript Printer

TOPIC -----

Is there software that lets the Macintosh print to a non-PostScript printer (for example, the LN03 or LA210 connected to a VAX via RS-232)?

DISCUSSION -----

We don't know of a product that lets you do this. For non-PostScript printers connected to a VAX via RS-232, you normally have to save the file as text only, and send this file to the VAX queue, using the device name of the printer captured by that queue.

If you have DECnet support on the Macintosh, you can use the DECnet COPY command to copy the file to the VAX, using the VAX node name and printer device name as the destination (for example, ENGVAX::LPA0:, where "ENGVAX" is the DECnet node name of the VAX, and "LPA0:" is the printer name).

If you don't have DECnet on the Macintosh, you have to transfer the file to the VAX first, using a terminal emulation program and XModem or Kermit, and use a VAX/VMS DCL command to print the file.

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