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DAL Server 1.3: Upgrading to DAL Client 1.3

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TOPIC -----

I have DAL 1.1 servers on the VAX (The Ask Group/Ingres Products) and on the mainframe (TSO). I'm thinking of upgrading to 1.3 on the mainframe under VTAM/CICS.

- 1) If I upgrade to DAL 1.3 on the mainframe, what version of client software do I need to use?
- 2) I haven't installed System 7. What's the best way to obtain the workstation software?
- 3) Also, could I use the same workstation software to get to the DAL server on the VAX using 1.1? My department wants to upgrade the Mainframe software, but doesn't control the VAX systems. So, I'm in no position to upgrade the VAX systems.

DISCUSSION -----

- 1) DAL Server 1.3 requires at least the DAL Client 1.2. Version 1.1 was named CL1 and won't work with the new Server (DAL).
- 2) DAL client software is included in System 7.0. There are two ways to get the new client software for System 6:
 - Some DAL vendors, such as ClearAccess, include the client software with their product. If you use one of these products, ask the vendor for the new client software.
 - Order the Data Access Language Developer's Toolkit for the Macintosh v1.3 from APDA.
- 3) You should upgrade the DAL Server on the VAX to version 1.3. We don't recommend or support the use of the new client 1.3 with server 1.1. We strongly suggest that the mainframe group coordinate the upgrade effort with the VAX group to obtain DAL functionality on both platforms.

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