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TELNET Command at Host LL

The attached writeup documents the use of the TELNET command at Host LL for uses under the CP/CMS time-sharing system. This command provides for use in a HALF DUPLEX or FULL DUPLEX mode and can be used with ASCII codes or with EBCDIC codes (i.e., transparent mode). The keyboard conventions allow for entering all ASCII codes using a CONTROL character followed by another character for the codes not present on an IBM 2741 terminal. In addition a number of local TELNET control commands have been defined which allows the mode of operation to be changed, the redefinition of special characters, the sending of TELNET control codes, as well as for obtaining input from a file instead of from the terminal. These later features provide for a rudimentary file transfer facility.

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TELNET

Purpose:

To access another terminal oriented system on the ARPA network.

Format:

TELNET	host	<tag></tag>	RESUME	EBCDIC	HALFDUP
		1	OPEN	ASCII	FULLDUP

- host either the hexadecimal code for a foreign network service site or a standard mnemonic for a foreign site. See Figure 1.
- tag the identifier for the local connections to the network. The tag is used together with the address of the virtual machine descriptor table (UTABLE) to form local socket numbers which are used in the network protocol.
- RESUME used to reactivate communications with a foreign site after having previously left the TELNET command leaving the connections open.

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- EBCDIC to communicate with EBCDIC codes. The default is network ASCII.
- HALFDUP to operate under a half duplex protocol, i.e. with a locked keyboard.

The EBCDIC HALFDUP the protocol assumes that the TELNET break code (circle C) will be received to indicate when the keyboard should be locked for input.

In ASCII HALFDUP the keyboard will lock after a line of input and will unlock after one or more lines have been received for output. An external interrupt will also unlock a locked keyboard.

The default is full duplex where the keyboard is always unlocked for input. A null line is required to temporarily lock the keyboard in order to receive output.

Usage:

A number of hosts on the ARPA network provide TELNET service. A Network Virtual Terminal (NVT) has been specified so that using sites can write one TELNET program which maps a local terminal into the NVT to access any serving site on the network. Once communication has been established between a using site and a serving site, keyed input is sent to the serving system and output from the serving site, when received, is typed on the local terminal.

The NVT protocol requires that the keyboard be capable of entering all of the 128 ASCII codes together with a number of the TELNET control codes. To support an NVT with an IBM 2741 terminal, it is necessary to adapt a control convention for entering codes which are not associated with single keys on the keyboard. In addition, since CP/CMS processes input from a 2741 on a line at a time terminated with a newline, a means must be establish for entering a sequence of characters for transmission which is not terminated with a newline code.

When TELNET is initiated the message

ENTER CONTROL CHARACTER

is typed. A non-blank character should then be entered which defines the character which, in combination with another character, will be used to enter codes not associated with single

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keys. The control character is also used for other special control functions as described below.

Codes:

The NVT usually requires that characters be transmitted in an eight bit ASCII code. Since the TELNET command is written to process EBCDIC codes ASCII codes received are translated into ASCII before being sent to a serving site. Figure 2 gives the complete definition of EBCDIC indicating the EBCDIC controls and EBCDIC graphics. Figure 3 gives the codes for the ASCII controls and graphics. The complete mapping between 8-bit EBCDIC codes and 8-bit network ASCII codes is shown in Figure 4. The EBCDIC newline code (NL) is mapped into the ASCII codes for the pair of characters CR-IF.

The following ASCII/EBCDIC mapping is used for the non-EBCDIC graphics:

ASCII EBCDIC

TILDE (7E) = (A1) NOT BAR (7C) = (6A) OR BACK SLASH (5C) = (EO)CARAT (5E) = (71)GRAVE (6O) = (79)LEFT BRACE (7B) = (8B)RIGHT BRACE (7D) = (9B)LEFT BRACKET (5B) = (AD)RIGHT BRACKET (5D) = (BD)

The ASCII control DC3 (X' 13') maps to the EBCDIC control TM (X'13'). The ASCII control NUL (X' oo') is sent to the terminal as the EBCDIC code for NULL (X' oo') and is not mapped into an IDLE (X'17').

The TELNET control hide-your-input is mapped into the EBCDIC code for bypass (print suppress) and the TELNET control noecho is mapped into the EBCDIC code for restore (print restore). If the TELNET control for echo is received, a message is printed and it is mapped into an IDLE. Similarly, if the TELNET control for break is received, a message is printed and it is mapped into an IDLE unless operation is in EBCDIC HALFDUP mode in which case the break is used to indicate that any received characters should be printed and the keyboard unlocked for input. If a data mark or an interrupt is received, no action is taken except to print a message to notify the user of this occurrence.

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Input:

When the control character is entered, the following character is mapped into a different code than that which it is normally mapped into, except when the following character is a space or a character not defined to have a meaning when preceded by the control character. Figure 5 gives the mapping of the characters on a 2741 keyboard when preceded by a control character. The following 2741 keyboard characters do not have a different meaning when preceded by the control character.

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$ # * % &
+ - = _
. , : ;
! | ? (cent sign)
SPACE
BACKSPACE
TAB
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When a character is mapped into its control code, the control character is mapped into the code for IDLE. If the control character is entered as the last character before the newline key is entered, the sequence of characters entered is transmitted without the newline code. That is, the newline code is not transmitted when it is preceded by the control character.

When the 2741 keyboard is unlocked for input, characters received cannot be typed until the keyboard is locked again. After a line is entered, received characters can then be typed. When operating in full duplex or ASCII half duplex, a null line entered will allow received characters to be typed but will not cause the new line code to be transmitted. To cause a null line, i.e., just the new line code to be transmitted, the control character should be entered as the only character in the input line. In EBCDIC HALFDUP a null line entered will cause a null line to be transmitted.

Output:

ASCII output received from the NVT is converted into EBCDIC with the sequences CR-LF converted into IDLE-NL. The EBCDIC characters are then sent to the terminal. Note that not all 128 ASCII codes when converted to EBCDIC will print on a 2741. Of the 95 ASCII graphics and the 8 ASCII controls which are defined for the NVT printer, the following are not visible or audible:

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CARAT GRAVE BACK SLASH LEFT BRACE RIGHT BRACE LEFT BRACKET ASCII CONTROL BELL (BEL) ASCII CONTROL VERTICAL TAB (HT) ASCII CONTROL FORM FEED (FF) ASCII CONTROL CARRIAGE RETURN (CR)

Figure 6 shows how the EBCDIC codes from X' 40' through X' FF' will appear on a 2741 terminal. Figure 7 shows how the EBCDIC codes will appear when printed with a PN train on the offline printer and Figure 8 shows how these codes appear when printed with a TN train.

Controls:

If the first character in an input line is the control character and the next character is a space, the rest of the line is interpreted as a TELNET control command. A control command consists of a control word and parameters separated by spaces. Controls are defined which permit TELNET controls to be transmitted to the serving site, allow input to come from a file or output to go to a file, allow CMS functions or transient commands to be issued, redefine the control character or TELNET mode, close connections or leave the TELNET command with connections still open, as well as controls to support a reader, punch, and printer with RJS operation. The controls are described below.

CONTROL x

Where x is the new control character

CLOSE

To close all connections and quit

QUIT

To leave TELNET

EBCDIC

To go into transparent mode, i.e., no translation

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ASCII

To translate input and output to network ASCII

Break

To send the TELNET break code

SYNC

To send the TELNET data mark code and an interrupt

AATN

To send a TELNET break and a SYNC

HIDE-YOUR-INPUT

To send the TELNET hide you input code

NOECHO

To send the TELNET noecho code

ECHO

To send the TELNET echo code

CMS command arg1...argN

To issue CMS core resident function or transient command.

INPUT fn ft

* TERMIN * *

To get input from a file If fn is defaulted, input is reset to come from the terminal. If fn is * file input resumes after the last line read. After an EOF, the next line read will be the first line of the file.

An external interrupt while input is coming from a file will cause the line number of the next line to be read from the file to be typed and input to be reset to come from the terminal.

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OUTPUTfnOFFTERMINPUTINOUT*ONNOTERMNOINPUTOUTPUT

To write output to the file "fn TERMOUT". If fn is defaulted, output is reset to go to the terminal. If fn is *, file OUTPUT is resumed with the same options as were last used.

For Output to the Terminal:

If the last character is a CR, a line with just the control character is typed on the next line (with a NL) $\,$

If the last character is not a NL or a CR, the line is typed without a NL (i.e., with TYPE).

For Output to a File:

If just a NL is in the line, just the control character is sent to the file.

If the last CHAR is not NL or CR, the control character is added after the last character, except if 130 characters must be sent to the file.

If the last CHAR is a CR, it is included in the file.

OFF causes all output to be discarded.

ON is the default, and causes output to the terminal.

TERM causes output to also go to the terminal.

NOTERM is the default, and causes output to go the file but not to the terminal.

OUTPUT is the default and causes just terminal output to be put to the file "FN termout".

INPUT causes both terminal input but not output to be put to the output file.

NOINPUT is defaulted and causes input to not go to the file.

PURGE

To purge all output currently received by the NCP. *****NOT YET IMPLEMENTED*****

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READER fn ft * READER To send a job to the RJS system at UCLA's CCN. If fn and ft are defaulted, input will come from the card reader. PRINTER fn ft * PRINTER To receive printer output from the RJS system at UCLA's CCN. To receive punch output from the RJS system at UCLA's CCN. If fn and ft are defaulted, output goes to the printer. PUNCH fn ft * PUNCH If fn and ft are defaulted, output goes to the punch. HOST SITE MACHINE SYSTEM HOST NUMBER DEC OCT HEX

 NMC
 UCLA
 SIGNA-7
 SEX
 1
 1

 ARC
 SRI
 PDP-10
 NIC
 2
 2

 UCSB
 UCSB
 360/75
 OS/MVT
 3
 3

 UTAH
 UTAH
 PDP-10
 TENEX
 4
 4

 MULTICS
 MIT
 H-645
 MULTICS
 6
 6

 SDC
 SDC
 370/155
 ADEPT
 8
 10

 HARV
 HARVARD
 PDP-10
 4S72
 9
 11

 LL
 LL
 360/67
 CP/CMS
 10
 12

 CASE
 CASE
 PDP-10
 10/50
 13
 15

 CMU
 CMU
 PDP-10
 TOPS-10
 14
 16

 ILLIAC
 AMES
 360/67
 TTS/360
 16
 18

 AMES
 AMES
 B-6500
 ?
 15
 17

 CCN
 UCLA
 360/91
 OS/MVT
 65
 101

 SRI
 SRI-AI
 PDP-10
 TENEX
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 102

 BBNA
 BBN
 PDP-10
 TENEX
 69
 SIGNA-7 SEX PDP-10 NIC 01 02 03 04 06 08 09 0A 0D 0E 10 0F 41 42 45 46 47 4A PDP-10 TENEX 133 205 PDP-10 TTS 134 206 BBN BBNB 85

> Serving Hosts on the APRA Network Figure 1

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[[See Figure 2 in PDF file.]] Extended Binary-Coded Decimal Interchange Code (EBCDIC) FIGURE 2

and

[[See Figure 3 in PDF file.]] USA Standard Code for Information Interchange (USASCII) FIGURE 3

ASCII	ASCII	ASCII	SYMBOLS	EBCDIC	EBCDIC
DEC	OCT	HEX		HEX	DEC
0	0	(00)	NUL	(00)	00
1	1	(01)	SOH	(01)	01
2	2	(02)	STX	(02)	02
3	3	(03)	ETX	(03)	03
4	4	(04)	EOT	(37)	55
5	5	(05)	ENQ	(2D)	45
6	б	(06)	ACK	(2E)	46
7	7	(07)	BEL	(2F)	47
8	10	(08)	BS	(16)	22
9	11	(09)	HT	(05)	05
10	12	(0A)	LF	(25)	37
11	13	(0B)	VT	(0B)	11
12	14	(0C)	FF	(OC)	12
13	15	(0D)	CR	(0D)	13
14	16	(OE)	SO	(OE)	14
15	17	(OF)	SI	(OF)	15
16	20	(10)	DLE	(10)	16
17	21	(11)	DC1	(11)	17
18	22	(12)	DC2	(12)	18
19	23	(13)	DC3	(13)	19
20	24	(14)	DC4	(3C)	60
21	25	(15)	NAK	(3D)	61
22	26	(16)	SYN	(32)	50
23	27	(17)	ETB	(26)	38
24	30	(18)	CAN	(18)	24
25	31	(19)	EM	(19)	25
26	32	(1A)	SUB	(3F)	63
27	33	(1B)	CTL	(27)	39
28	34	(1C)	FS	(1C)	28
29	35	(1D)	GS	(1D)	29
30	36	(1E)	RS	(1E)	30
31	37	(1F)	US	(1F)	31
32	40	(20)	SP	(40)	64
33	41	(21)	!	(5A)	90

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34	42	(22)	"	(7F)	127
35	43	(23)	#	(7B)	123
36	44	(24)	\$	(5B)	91
37	45	(25)	8	(6C)	108
38	46	(26)	&	(50)	80
39	47	(27)	,	(7D)	124
40	50	(28)	((4D)	77
41	51	(29))	(5D)	93
42	52	(2A)	*	(5C)	92
43	53	(2B)	+	(4E)	78
44	54	(2C)		(6D)	109
45	55	(2D)	_	(60)	96
46	56	(2E)		(4B)	75
47	57	(2F)	/	(61)	97
48	60	(30)	Ó	(EQ)	240
49	61	(31)	1	(F1)	241
50	62	(32)	2	(F2)	242
51	63	(33)	3	(F3)	243
52	64	(34)	4	(F4)	244
53	65	(35)	5	(F5)	245
54	66	(36)	6	(F6)	246
55	67	(37)	7	(F7)	247
56	70	(38)	8	(F8)	248
57	71	(39)	9	(F9)	249
58	72	(3A)	:	(7A)	122
59	73	(3B)	;	(5E)	94
60	74	(3C)	<	(4C)	76
61	75	(3C)	=	(7E)	126
62	76	(3E)	>	(7里) (6王)	110
63	77	(3E)	?	(6F)	111
64	100	(40)	• @	(7C)	124
65	101	(41)	A	(C1)	193
66	102	(42)	B	(C2)	194
67	103	(43)	C	(C3)	195
68	104	(44)	D	(C4)	196
69	105	(45)	Ē	(C5)	197
70	106	(46)	F	(C6)	198
71	107	(47)	G	(C7)	199
72	110	(48)	H	(C8)	200
73	111	(49)	I	(C9)	201
74	112	(4A)	J	(1) (1)	209
75	113	(4B)	ĸ	(D2)	210
76	114	(4C)	L	(D3)	211
77	115	(4D)	M	(D4)	212
78	116	(4E)	N	(25) (D5)	213
79	117	(4F)	0	(D6)	214
80	120	(50)	P	(7a)	215
81	121	(51)	0	(D8)	216
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82	122	(52)	R	(D9)	217	
83	123	(53)	S	(E2)	226	
84	124	(54)	Т	(E3)	227	
85	125	(55)	U	(E4)	228	
86	126	(56)	V	(E5)	229	
87	127	(57)	W	(E6)	230	
88	130	(58)	8	(E7)	231	
89	131	(59)	Y	(E8)	232	
90	132	(5A)	Z	(E9)	233	
91	133	(5B)	[(AD)	173	
92	134	(5C)	(cent sign)	(4A)	74	(BACK-SLASH)
93	135	(5D)]	(BD)	189	
94	136	(5E)		(71)	113	(CARAT)
95	137	(5F)	_	(6D)	109	
96	140	(60)		(79)	121	(GRAVE)
97	141	(61)	a	(81)	129	
98	142	(62)	b	(82)	130	
99	143	(63)	C	(83)	131	
100	144	(64)	d	(84)	132	
101	145	(65)	е	(85)	133	
102	146	(66)	f	(86)	134	
103	147	(67)	g	(87)	135	
104	150	(68)	h	(88)	136	
105	151	(69)	i	(89)	137	
106	152	(6A)	j	(91)	145	
107	153	(6B)	k	(92)	146	
108	154	(6C)	1	(93)	147	
109	155	(6D)	m	(94)	148	
110	156	(6E)	n	(95)	149	
111	157	(6F)	0	(96)	150	
112	160	(70)	р	(97)	151	
113	161	(71)	q	(98)	152	
114	162	(72)	r	(99)	153	
115	163	(73)	S	(A2)	162	
116	164	(74)	t	(A3)	163	
117	165	(75)	u	(A4)	164	
118	166	(76)	v	(A5)	165	
119	167	(77)	W	(A6)	166	
120	170	(78)	х	(A7)	167	
121	171	(79)	У	(A8)	168	
122	172	(7A)	Z	(A9)	169	
123	173	(7B)	{	(8B)	139	
124	174	(7C)		(4F)	79	(BAR/OR)
125	175	(7D)	}	(9B)	155	
126	176	(7E)	(broken bar)	(5F)	95	(TILDE/NOT)
127	177	(7F)	DEL	(07)	7	

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ASCII DEC	ASCII OCT	ASCII HEX	TELNET CONTROLS	EBCDIC HEX	EBCDI DEC	C
128	100	(80)	DATA-MARK	(80)	128	
129	101	(81)	BREAK	(38)	56	
130	102	(82)	NOP	(17)	23	IDLE
131	103	(83)	NOECHO	(14)	20	RESTORE
132	104	(84)	ECHO	(23)	35	
133	105	(85)	HIDE-YOUR INPUT	(24)	36	BYPASS

ASCII/EBCDIC Code Mappings FIGURE 4

EBCDIC	EBCDIC	ASCII	
CENT	(4A) = ESC	(27)	(1B)
CTL < CTL > CTL (CTL) CTL / CTL " CTL '	(4C) = LEFT BRACKET (6E) = RIGHT BRACKET (4D) = LEFT BRACE (5D) = RIGHT BRACE (61) = BACK SLASH (7F) = CARAT (7D) = GRAVE	(AD) (BD) (8B) (9B) (4A) (71) (79)	(5B) (5D) (7B) (7D) (5C) (5E) (60)
CTL 6 CTL 7 CTL 8 CTL 9 CTL _	(F6) = FS (F7) = GS (F8) = RS (F9) = US (6D) = US	(1C) (1D) (1E) (1F) (1F)	(1C) (1D) (1E) (1F) (1F)
CTL (bro	oken bar) (5F) = DEL		(07) (7F)
CTL @ CTL A CTL B CTL C CTL D CTL E CTL F CTL G CTL H CTL I CTL J CTL J CTL K CTL L	(7C) = NUL (C1) = SOH (C2) = STX (C3) = ETX (C4) = EOT (C5) = ENQ (C6) = ACK (C7) = BEL (C8) = BS (C9) = HT (D1) = LF (D2) = VT (D3) = FF	(00) (01) (02) (03) (2D) (2E) (2F) (16) (05) (25) (0B) (0C)	(00) (01) (02) (03) (04) (05) (06) (07) (08) (07) (08) (09) (0A) (0B) (0C)

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CTL N (D5) = SO	(OE)	(OE)
CTL O (D6) = SI	(OF)	(OF)
	(10)	(10)
$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{CTL} P & (D/) = DLE \\ \text{CTL} & 0 & (D2) \\ \end{array}$	(10)	(10)
CTL Q (D8) = DCI	()	()
CTL R (D9) = DC2	(12)	(12)
CTL S (E2) = DC3	(13)	(13)
CTL T (E3) = DC4	(3C)	(14)
CTL U (E4) = NAK	(3D)	(15)
CTL V (E5) = SYN	(32)	(16)
CTL W (E6) = ETB	(26)	(17)
CTL X (E7) = CAN	(18)	(18)
CTL Y (E8) = EM	(19)	(19)
CTL Z (E9) = SUB	(3F)	(1A)
EBCDIC	EBCDIC A	SCII
CTL 1 (F1) = BREAK	(38) (81)	- CIRCLE C
CTL 2 (F2) = NOP	(17) (82)	- IDLE
CTI_{1} 3 (F3) = NO ECHO	(14) (83)	- RESTORE
CTL 4 (F4) = FCHO	(23) (84)	
CTL 5 (F5) = HIDE YOU INPUT	(24) (85)	- BYPASS
DATA MARK (80) CANNOT BE ENT	FERED FROM	THE KEYBOARD
THE FOLLOWING 3741 VEVDOADD		
HAVE A MEANING AS A CONTROL	CHARACIERS	DO NOI
\$ # * % &		
+ - = _		

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. , .
! | ? (cent sign)
SPACE
BACKSPACE
TAB
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Keyboard Control Character Mappings FIGURE 5 (CONTINUED)

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[[See Figure in PDF file.]] Hex Code X'xy' for Characters on a 2741 Terminal [[See Figure in PDF file.]] Decimal Code D 'xxy" for Characters on a 2741 terminal HT X'05' = D'005' Horizontal Tab LC X'06' = D'006' Lower Case RES X'14' = D'020' Print Restore NL X'15' = D'021' New Line BS X'16' = D'022' Back Space IL X'17' = D'023' Idle BYP X'24' = D'036' Print Bypass LF X'25' = D'037' Line Feed UC X'36' = D'054' Upper Case Hex Code X'xy' and Decimal Code D'xxy' for 2741 Control Codes [[See Figure in PDF file.]] Hex Code X'xy' for Characters on the PN train [[See Figure in PDF file.]] Decimal Code D'xxy' for characters on the PN train [[See Figure in PDF file.]] Hex Code X'xy' for Characters on th TN train [[See Figure in PDF file.]] Decimal Code D'xxy' for Characters on the TN train

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