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Programmers have asked if HyperCard, has a way to check if an XCMD is installed in a stack? For example, you create a button that requires a certain XCMD to function. You distribute the button to other HyperCard users, but you don't know if they have the particular XCMD installed in their Home Card.

The fact is that HyperCard has no way to determine if a particular XCMD is present. However, it would be a simple matter to write an XFCN that would check for the presence of specific XCMDs and XFCNs. This XFCN would need to use Resource Manager calls, like GetNamedResource and ResError, to see if the XCMD was currently available.

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