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TOPIC -----

I'm using MacX, but can't cut text from an Xterm client. I'm using PATHWORKS, and I'm using a VT100 Xterm window. I'd like to have the text in ASCII instead of the bitmap displayed on the screen, so I can use it in something like Excel. Is it possible to write to the MacX command output window when the copy is made in the DECterm X session?

DISCUSSION -----

MacX has the ability to copy things to the Clipboard in the following ways:

- It can copy the screen or portions of it as a bitmap.
- It can copy text and put it in the Clipboard as text.

To copy text, just select the text, and it will automatically be placed in the Clipboard. In other words, if you select text from an Xterm window, and then switch from MacX to TeachText, you can paste the selected text without using a Copy command

One exception to this procedure is the DECterm client. If you are using DECterm, you must:

- 1) Select the text you want to copy.
- 2) Use the menu entry.
- 3) Copy from the DECterm edit menu and wait until the text is deselected before it appears in the Clipboard.

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If you use the menu entry, Copy screen to Clipboard, under the Window menu of MacX, it will place data in the Clipboard in bitmap format.

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