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SUBJECT: VAX TO VAX COMMUNICATION VIA BERKNET

This documentation contains a brief description of the commands and procedures to communicate between the two VAX 780's.

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<The two VAX's are now connected via a tty line running at 9600 baud.  
Use the following Berknet commands to talk over this line:

net	- execute a command on a remote machine
netcp	- remote copy of files through the net
netlog	- print on stdout the last few lines of the network log
netlpr	- use a remote line printer through the net
netmail	- read mail on a remote machine
netsmail	- send mail to a remote machine
netq	- prints on stdout contents of network queue
netrm	- remove command(s) from the network queue
netrc	- file used to skip the login/passwd

Presently documentation for all the above commands can be read by using 'man' or look in the UNIX Programmer's Manual. The documentation for netmail and netrc are in 'man' but not the UNIX manual. There is another Berknet command - netlogin - that at present dosen't work right, I'll let you know when/if it behaves correctly.

Further reading: 'The Berkeley UNIX Network' and 'An Introduction to the Berkeley Network' - they both can be found in /usr/doc/berknet.

Names: the remote name for VAX1 is V1 or v1 ('a' machine in .netrc file)  
the remote name for VAX2 is V2 or v2 ('b' machine in .netrc file)

Quirks: You MUST have both a login account and a login directory on BOTH VAX machines.

Berknet is pretty slow, especially if the system is loaded down, this can be painful if you have lots of files to copy over since they must be done one at a time.

Please let me know if there are problems.