digital VMS DECwindows Motif Quick Reference Card

This card summarizes many basic DECwindows concepts and procedures. For more information about using DECwindows, refer to the *VMS DECwindows Motif User's Guide*.

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DECwindows contains different components for performing specialized tasks.



- The **Workspace** is the screen on your workstation and is the background of your DECwindows environment. All windows and objects appear on the Workspace.
- The **Window Manager** is a program that controls the size, placement, and operation of windows on the workspace. The Window Manager provides menus (Workspace and Window) that let you manage your windows.
- Session Manager helps control the look and feel of your DECwindows session. Use it to start DECwindows applications and to adjust workstation settings, such as keyboard features and pointer shape.
- **FileView** is a graphic interface to the VMS operating system, which provides commands for you to work with your files and directories.

Opening and Closing DECwindows

To start a session:

- 1. Type your user name.
- 2. Select the Password entry box by pointing to the Password entry box and clicking MB1.
- 3. Type your password. (To preserve the secrecy of your password, the letters you type are not displayed on the screen.)
- 4. Click on the OK button or press Return if you have entered your user name and password correctly.

If you provide wrong information or make a typing mistake and do not correct it, your system does not let you start a session. Instead, it displays a dialog box warning you that some information is incorrect.

Press Return to acknowledge the message. Then retype your information and press Return.

To pause a session:

Choose Pause from Session Manager's Session menu. Your screen is cleared and the Pause Session screen is displayed.

To resume your session, type your password.

To end a session:

Choose End Session from Session Manager's Session menu. Session Manager displays a dialog box asking you to confirm that you want to end your session. To return to your session, click on the No button. To end your session, click on the Yes button. All windows are closed. DECwindows displays the DIGITAL logo and the Start Session screen.

Using the Mouse



- **Point**: Using the mouse, move the pointer to where you want the next action to occur.
- **Click**: Quickly press and release MB1. You should hear and feel a faint click.
- **Press**: Point to the menu name, scroll bar stepper arrow, or wherever you want the action to occur. Without moving the mouse, press and hold MB1 or MB3.
- **Drag**: Press and hold MB1 (or MB2 if you are dragging a window), move the pointer, and release MB1 (or MB2).
- **Double click**: Point to the object and click MB1 twice in quick succession.
- Shift click: Point to the object. Press and hold the Shift key and click MB1. Release the Shift key.

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. Point to the name of the menu you want to display.				
. Press and hold MB1.				
While holding MB1, drag to the menu item you want.				
. Release MB1.				
. Press and hold MB3 on the application's work area.				
. Drag to the menu item you want.				
. Release MB3.				

Working with Menus

То	Do this		
Choose an item from an options menu	1.	Press and hold MB1 on the current option. The options menu is	
		displayed.	
	2.	Drag to the menu item you want.	
	3.	Release MB1.	
Choose an item from a submenu	1.	On the application's menu bar, press and hold MB1 to display the pull-down menu.	
	2.	Drag to the menu item you want.	
	3.	If the menu item has a submenu, the submenu appears to the right of the menu.	
	4.	Drag to the submenu item you want.	
	5.	Release MB1.	

Running Applications

To run an application, choose the application you want to use from Session Manager's Applications menu. DECwindows displays the application in a window.

Getting Help



To get help about any DECwindows application, choose On Window from the application's Help menu.

A Help window opens with the On Window topic displayed. The On Window topic includes a list of additional topics that explain how to perform common tasks.

Managing Windows

Most windows include the following components:



These components provide ways for you to move, size, and arrange your windows.

For example, to move a window:

- Position the pointer anywhere in the window's title bar.
- Press and hold MB1.
- Drag the window outline to the new location.
- Release MB1.

You can also use the Window menu and the Workspace menu to manage windows.

Use your mouse or keyboard to perform the following tasks:





Action	Keyboard	Mouse
Display Window menu	Shift+Escape or Alt+Space	Click MB3 on border or icon
Display Workspace menu	_	Click MB1 or MB3 on screen
Minimize win- dow	Alt+F9	Double click MB1 on win- dow title
Restore window	Alt+F5	Double click MB1 on icon
Maximize win- dow	Alt+F10	Click MB1 on maximize button
Lower window	Alt+F3	Shift+MB1 on border or icon
Raise window	_	Click MB1 on border
Move window	Alt+F7 and arrow keys	Choose Move on Window menu
Size window	Alt+F8 and arrow keys	Choose Size on Window menu
Cancel Move or Size	Escape	_
Next window	Alt+Tab	Ctrl+MB1 on icon, border, or screen
Previous win- dow	Alt+Shift+Tab	Ctrl+Shift MB1 on icon, border, or screen
Dismiss menus	F4 or Escape	<u> </u>

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