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MacAPPC and/or MacWorkStation will not currently work with IBM's Application System.

The IBM Application System is a 3270-based decision support tool, which runs under the MVS and VM operating systems, and is IBM's high-level decision support software product for business planning, statistical analysis, and project management.

The IBM Application System has extensions that allow direct access via DB2 and SQL databases and other IBM products, such as Query Management Facility (QMF) and Data Extract (DXT). However, it does NOT currently take advantage of intelligent desktop devices.

IBM says that "the direction of future development of the Application System product line is to provide support consistent with the need to use workstations that may have local intelligence" (or, simply, "it doesn't do it now, but it will someday.")

So, at present IBM's Application System supports neither LU6.2, IBM's flagship peer-to-peer protocol, or 3270 API implementations.

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