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TOPIC -----

I need to access a database on an IBM 3090. It's called DATACOM, by Computer Associates International. Can you help?

DISCUSSION -----

CA-Datacom/DB is a database management system from Applied Data Research (ADR) which was acquired by Computer Associates International in 1988. Since then, CA has tried to merge Datacom/DB with its other DBMS product: CA-Universe. Prior to release 8.0, Datacom/DB did not provide SQL capability.

A terminal emulation program such as MacDFT would allow access to IBM hosts and databases. However, we assume you would like to access the database in the client/server fashion, such as what is offered by Data Access Language (formerly CL/1). We provide DAL servers for both VM/CMS and MVS/TSO. However, on VM/CMS, DAL servers only allow access to IBM's Structured Query Language/Data System (SQL/DS) and on MVS/TSO, only Database 2 (DB2). There is no adapter currently for CA-Datacom/DB.

For more information, search under "Computer Associates".

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