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TOPIC -----

I am very interested in the Data Access Language, especially in relation to a DB2 database. Does DAL support accessing the IBM mainframe via distributed-session, 3270-connectivity products like Avatar's distributed session product or Tri-Data Netway?

DISCUSSION -----

Data Access Language (DAL, formerly CL/1) uses a connection definition in the hosts.cll file when making connection to a DAL host server. The following mainframe interfaces are currently supported by DAL:

- MacDFT 1.1 with Apple Coax/Twinax Card connection
- MacDFT 1.1 with Apple TokenTalk NB card connection
- MacDFT 1.1 with Apple Serial NuBus Card Connection
- Tri-Data Netway 1000/2000 connection
- Avatar MacMainFrame connection
- DCA MacIrma connection

CVT and DFT sessions are supported byt all these connection methods.

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