
Subject: VT100 V2.3 Possible Bug and Possible Fix
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    else */ send('');
    sendchar(code - 11);
    break;
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This did the trick and the arrow keys now work well with a 'vt100' termcap on the vax and also with 'vi'.

Can someone enlighten me if this is really a fix or did I buger something else up.

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Subject: Re: VT100 V2.3 Possible Bug and Possible Fix
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>     /* if (keyapp) sendchar('O');  
>     else */ send('J');  
>     sendchar(code - 11);  
>     break;
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The above code seems to be buggy in ANY case. The variable "keyapp" is connected with the fact that one is using the "application" mode instead of the numeric mode. Unfortunately this is related to the keypad keys and NOT the cursor keys. The cursor keys have their own SET or RESET state totally unrelated to the state of the keypad.

I have seen the problem with vi and the arrow keys on a "REAL" vt100. The problem is more acute with vi under Berkeley 4.2, while does not exist on vi under ATT System V. I believe it to be a bug in 4.2 vi. The EDT editor under VMS (a DEC product) performs properly with the documented escape sequences.

If the above code uses "keyapp" to mean cursor key mode, it would work properly, but in that case it is really using the wrong variable name.

-- Marco Papa
Felsina Software

(author of the VT100 emulator included in A-Talk 1.1)

Subject: Re: VT100 V2.3 Possible Bug and Possible Fix

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David Whitlock writes that the arrow keys don't seem to do the right things in the VT100 program. I reported something similar a while ago, as a bug report. I guess Dave Wecker didn't see it. I got back a bunch of mail from other people, and the net result is...

Dave's program is wrong. However, it only shows for some programs. Moreover, it isn't clear what is right.

There are really two modes on a VT100. There is keypad application mode, and another one (whose name escapes me at present). Keypad application mode is the mode that makes the keypad on the right present different codes than similarly marked keys in the body of the keyboard. If your application runs in keyboard application mode, Dave Wecker's VT100 incorrectly switches the cursor key sequences. The fix that Dave Whitlock gave will correct this (if that's all your application does). This makes the VT100 program capable of talking to Series/1s running Yale/Ascii, for instance.

However, this other mode (whose name escaped) is supposed to effect the cursor keys. I suspect that IBM 7171s use this mode. I hardcoded and recompiled with both sequences, and neither would make the 7171 happy. I wish someone would pull out a VT100 manual and set us all straight here. It seems we're still confused.

Disclaimer: I'm still running VT100 V2.2. Dave Whitlock's comments make me think that the problem is still not solved in 2.3. Sorry to have wasted everyone's time if the problem is indeed solved.

Michael Wagner (wagner@utcs)

Subject: Re: VT100 V2.3 Possible Bug and Possible Fix
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In article wagner@utcs.UUCP (Michael Wagner) writes:

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> in keyboard application mode, Dave Wecker's VT100 incorrectly switches the
> cursor key sequences.
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> Michael Wagner (wagner@utcs)

I don't know about Dave's program but a real VT100 does have two modes for both the keypad and the cursor keys.

The application mode for the keypad is set by ESC=
and numeric mode is set by ESC>

For the cursor keys application mode is set by ESC[?1h
and cursor mode is set by ESC[?1l

There is also VT52 mode which can be turned on by the seq. ESC[?2l
If you don't cover them all (and there may be more) you will
of course find applications which don't work.

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Organization: University of Toronto Computing Services, general purpose UNIX
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Checksum: 22206

In my previous posting, I said that the vt100 had two modes. That's not really what I meant to say (foolish me). I meant to say that the vt100 had two different mode switches (for a total of 4 modes, I suppose...I don't know if it is valid to have both alternate modes on at the same time).

Michael

Subject: Re: VT100 V2.3 Possible Bug and Possible Fix
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In article wagner@utcs.UUCP (Michael Wagner) writes:

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> cursor keys. I suspect that IBM 7171s use this mode. I hardcoded and

> recompiled with both sequences, and neither would make the 7171 happy.
> I wish someone would pull out a VT100 manual and set us all straight here.
> It seems we're still confused.

mjp@spice.cs.cmu.edu (Michael Portuesi) did in October, though I didn't pay any attention to his article until today when I found it covered in dust in a corner of one of my directories.

I did. I just posted diffs. Maybe they didn't make it out alive. It's fairly short so I'll repost it here. Would someone (decide who among yourselves) let me know if this gets out? My news/mail feed and I have been having some problems lately which is why I'm worried about the last posting.

I would especially be interested to know if this works or not on the 7171 or any other system where someone using a genuine vt100 can verify that it ought to work. I just did what the manual said. It works for me on machines that want normal cursor keys and ones that want application cursor keys, and which set the terminal to the mode of their choice. Someday I may add a menu item to toggle keypad app. mode and one for cursor app. mode so I can set them myself -- but this is trivial.

These are context diffs. If you don't know what that is, just look at it and you will probably find it easy to interpret. There's much less to change than the number of lines remaining in this posting might lead you to think -- most of them are context.

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diff -c remote.c remote.c.fixed
*** remote.c Mon Nov 24 19:00:56 1986
--- remote.c.fixed Mon Dec  8 21:15:59 1986
*****
*** 88,94

    case 'c': /* Reset */
    top = MINY; bot = MAXY; savx = MINX; savy = MINY;
! curmode = FS_NORMAL; keyapp = FALSE;
    inesc = -1;
    a[0] = 0; a[1] = 0; sa[0] = 0; sa[1] = 0;
    emit(12);

--- 88,94 -----

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    inesc = -1;
    a[0] = 0; a[1] = 0; sa[0] = 0; sa[1] = 0;
    emit(12);
```

*** 267,273

```
    case 'h': /* Set parameter */
    if (private == 0 && p[0] == 20) nlmode = 1;
! else if (private == '?' && p[0] == 7) p_wrap = 1;
    return;
```

```
    case 'l': /* Reset parameter */
```

--- 267,276 -----

```
    case 'h': /* Set parameter */
    if (private == 0 && p[0] == 20) nlmode = 1;
! else if (private == '?'){
!   if( p[0] == 7) p_wrap = 1;
!   else if( p[0] == 1) curapp = 1;
! }
    return;
```

```
    case 'l': /* Reset parameter */
```

*** 272,278

```
    case 'l': /* Reset parameter */
    if (private == 0 && p[0] == 20) nlmode = 0;
! else if (private == '?' && p[0] == 7) p_wrap = 0;
    return;
```

```
    case 'x':
```

--- 275,284 -----

```
    case 'l': /* Reset parameter */
    if (private == 0 && p[0] == 20) nlmode = 0;
! else if (private == '?'){
!   if(p[0] == 7) p_wrap = 0;
!   else if( p[0] == 1) curapp = 0;
! }
    return;
```

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    case 'x':
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diff -c vt100.c vt100.c.fixed
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```
*** vt100.c Mon Nov 24 19:00:24 1986
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```
--- vt100.c.fixed Mon Dec 8 21:12:01 1986
```

*** 61,66

```
    y = MINY;
```

```
curmode = FS_NORMAL;
keyapp = 0;
script_on = FALSE;
script_wait= TRUE;
SetAPen(mywindow->RPort,1L);
```

--- 61,67 -----

```
y = MINY;
curmode = FS_NORMAL;
keyapp = 0;
+ curapp = 0;
script_on = FALSE;
script_wait= TRUE;
SetAPen(mywindow->RPort,1L);
```

diff -c vt100.h vt100.h.fixed

*** vt100.h Mon Nov 24 19:00:19 1986

--- vt100.h.fixed Mon Dec 8 21:23:37 1986

*** 159,165

```
UBYTE *BeepWave;
UBYTE Audio_AllocMap[4] = { 1, 8, 2, 4 };
int want_message;
! int x,y,curmode,keyapp;
int MINX = 0;
int MAXX = 632;
int MINY = 14;
```

--- 159,165 -----

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int want_message;
! int x,y,curmode,keyapp,curapp;
int MINX = 0;
int MAXX = 632;
int MINY = 14;
```

*** 254,260

```
extern char *rs_in;
extern struct IOExtSer *Write_Request;
extern char rs_out[2];
! extern int x,y,curmode,keyapp;
extern int MINX,MAXX,MINY,MAXY,top,bot,savx,savy;
extern int savmode,nlmode,alt,savalt,a[2],sa[2];
extern int inesc,inctrl,private,badseq,maxcol;
```

--- 254,260 -----

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extern char *rs_in;
extern struct IOExtSer *Write_Request;
```

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extern char rs_out[2];
! extern int x,y,curmode,keyapp,curapp;
extern int MINX,MAXX,MINY,MAXY,top,bot,savx,savy;
extern int savmode,nlmode,alt,savalt,a[2],sa[2];
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```
diff -c window.c window.c.fixed
```

```
*** window.c Mon Nov 24 19:01:00 1986
```

```
--- window.c.fixed Mon Dec 8 21:07:41 1986
```

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*****
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*** 310,316
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```
case 0x4d:
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case 0x4e:
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```
case 0x4f: sendchar(27); /* cursor keys */
```

```
! if (keyapp) sendchar('O');
```

```
else sendchar('[');
```

```
sendchar(code - 11);
```

```
break;
```

```
--- 310,316 -----
```

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case 0x4d:
```

```
case 0x4e:
```

```
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```

```
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```

```
else sendchar('[');
```

```
sendchar(code - 11);
```

```
break;
```

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end of patches  
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```
From gatech!seismo!rochester!pt.cs.cmu.edu!spice.cs.cmu.edu!mjp Thu Oct 23 12:58:34 EDT  
1986
```

```
Article 1516 of net.micro.amiga:
```

```
Relay-Version: version B 2.10.3 4.3bsd-beta 6/6/85; site gtss.UUCP
```

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Path: gtss!gatech!seismo!rochester!pt.cs.cmu.edu!spice.cs.cmu.edu!mjp
```

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Newsgroups: net.micro.amiga
```

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Subject: VT100 cursor keys
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Message-ID:
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Date: 21 Oct 86 18:48:24 GMT
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Date-Received: 23 Oct 86 02:40:37 GMT
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Reply-To: mjp@spice.cs.cmu.edu (Michael Portuesi)
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Distribution: net
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Organization: Carnegie-Mellon University, CS/RI
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Lines: 43
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Keywords:
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> Description:
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```
> Cursor keys send wrong sequence when the keypad is in application mode
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- > Suggested Fix:
- > in window.c, remove the checking for 'keyapp' in the cursor key code.
- > always send the sequence currently in the 'else' logic.

A real VT100 has two distinct application modes, Keypad Application Mode and Cursor Key Mode. Keypad Application mode applies only to the keypad; Cursor Key Mode applies only to the cursor keys. Thus the suggested fix above is correct. One should not tamper with the cursor keys when Keypad Application Mode is selected. From the VT100 User Guide:

Cursor Key VT52 ANSI Mode and Cursor ANSI Mode and Cursor
(Arrow) Mode Key Mode Reset Key Mode Set

```
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Up ESC A ESC [ A ESC O A
Down ESC B ESC [ B ESC O B
Left ESC C ESC [ C ESC O C
Right ESC D ESC [ D ESC O D
```

The following control sequences enter/exit Cursor Key Mode and Keypad Application Mode:

```
Name Set Reset
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```

```
Cursor Key Mode ESC [ ? 1 h ESC [ ? 1 l
Keypad Application Mode ESC = ESC >
```

> Michael Wagner (wagner@utcs)

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|          |
| "Talking about music is like dancing about architecture"      |
| --Laurie Anderson, "Home of the Brave"          |
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