

# CM-2 and CM-200 Installation Instructions for Prism Version 1.1

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This is the CM-2/CM-200 installation guide for Prism Version 1.1. Read it completely before attempting the installation.

Note that this installation procedure is different from previous procedures; it now supports the installation of soft links.

## Planning the Installation

### General

Perform the installation as superuser.

You can run the installation from any directory to which you have write access as superuser.

When answering any question during the installation, you can accept the default (which is indicated in square brackets) by simply pressing the **Return** key in response to the question. In addition, you can escape to a subshell at any time by entering **!** (exclamation) in response to a question.

In addition to installing a number of files, the Prism installation script needs to ensure that the file **XKeysymDB** exists on the user's system and that it contains the correct OSF bindings required for Prism to work properly. Because of this, the installation procedure must be able to write into the X library directory. If for some reason the X library directory cannot be made writable, you can manually fix the **XKeysymDB** file by appending the contents of the **XKeysymDB** file that is shipped in the Prism support directory to the currently installed version of the file.

## Choosing a Tape Drive

The installation may be performed from either a local or a remote tape drive. You should decide on which type you will use. In general, a local tape drive is preferable.

Next, find the name of the non-rewinding tape device that you will be using for the installation. On a Sun, the reel tape is often `/dev/nrmt8`, and the cartridge tape is often `/dev/nrst8`. If you are not sure of the device name for your tape drive, check with your system administrator.

Last, if you have decided to use a remote tape drive, make sure that you have root access to the remote system by executing the following command on the system where Prism is to be installed:

```
# rsh remote_host_name date
```

If you receive a "Permission denied" message, you need to add the name of your machine to the `/.rhosts` file on the remote machine.

## Installation Components

The entire installation (including optional components) uses about 10 Mbytes of disk space. Each component is described below.

Table 1. Prism components.

Component	Size
Prism driver	3 Kb
Prism support directory	9.5 Mb (Sun); 8 Mb (VAX)
Prism runtime libraries	150 Kb (Sun); 50 Kb (VAX)
Prism manual page	3 Kb
Prism sample program	1 Kb

### Prism Driver

We suggest that this component be placed in `/usr/local/bin`.

## Prism Support Directory

This component contains the internal files required for Prism to work correctly. We recommend that it be placed in `/usr/local/lib`. NOTE: The `app-defaults` file for Prism is in the `app-defaults` subdirectory of this directory.

## Prism Runtime Libraries

We suggest that this component be placed in `/usr/local/lib`. (NOTE: In VAX installations, there is only one Prism runtime library.)

## Prism Manual Page

We suggest that the man page be placed in the repository for CMost user manual pages, `/usr/man/local/CMOST/man1`.

## Prism Sample Program

Prism provides a sample program that users can work with in the on-line tutorial. We recommend that you place the examples directory in the directory `/usr/cm/examples/`. This will create the directory `/usr/cm/examples/prism`.

## Reading the Tape

As mentioned earlier, you can install Prism from either a local or remote tape drive. In either case, the first step is to read the installation script off the tape.

To do this, first become superuser and change to the directory from which you will do the installation. If you are doing the installation from a remote tape drive, skip to the section "Reading a Remote Tape." If you are using a local tape drive, continue to the next section.

## Reading a Local Tape

To unload the installation procedure from a local tape drive, issue the following commands:

```
# mt -f tape_device rew
# mt -f tape_device fsf
# tar xf tape_device
```

where *tape\_device* is the name of the non-rewinding tape drive that you are using for the installation.

For example:

```
# mt -f /dev/nrmt0h rew
# mt -f /dev/nrmt0h fsf
# tar xf /dev/nrmt0h
```

You can now skip the section "Reading a Remote Tape," below, and continue with the section "Installing Prism Version 1.1 Beta."

## Reading a Remote Tape

To unload the installation procedure from a remote tape drive, issue the following commands:

```
# rsh remote_host_name mt -f tape_device rew
# rsh remote_host_name mt -f tape_device fsf
# rsh remote_host_name dd if=tape_device ibs=bs | tar xpbf -
```

where:

*remote\_host\_name* is the name of the machine with the tape drive.

*tape\_device* is the device name of the remote non-rewinding tape drive.

*bs* is the blocksize to use when reading the tape. If you are reading from a reel (9-track) tape, then *bs* is 20b. If you are using a Sun cartridge, then *bs* is 126b.

For example:

```
# rsh cmns mt -f /dev/nrmt0h rew
# rsh cmns mt -f /dev/nrmt0h fsf
# rsh cmns dd if=/dev/nrmt0h ibs=20b | tar xpbf -
```

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### Issuing the Command

To install Prism, issue this command:

```
# ./install 1.1
```

### Answering the Questions

First you will be asked a set of questions about the tape drive that you are using. Having gotten this far in the installation process, you should find the answers. The questions are listed below.

```
Is this a remote installation? [n]
Enter the name of the tapeserver host [no default]
What is the name of your non-rewinding tape drive device? [/dev/nrst8]
Is the distribution on a cartridge tape? [y]
```

Next, you can elect to see the name of each file as it is extracted from the tape. If you want a detailed list of the files being installed, answer yes to this question:

```
Should the files be extracted from the tape verbosely? [n]
```

You will then be asked to make sure that the tape is mounted and ready. Don't be alarmed that the procedure is asking for Tape 1; the Prism installation uses only one tape.

```
Is tape 1 mounted and ready to go? [Type carriage return when ready]
```

The next set of questions take care of installing each of the components of Prism. After each question is answered, the installation script will unload that component into the location you specify.

```
Where do you want to put the Prism Driver [/usr/local/bin]?
Where do you want to put the Prism Support Directory [/usr/local/lib]?
Where do you want to put the Prism Runtime Libraries [/usr/local/lib]?
```

(NOTE: In VAX installations, there is only one Prism runtime library.)

```
Where do you want to put the Prism Manual Page
[/usr/local/man/CMOST/man1]?
Where do you want to put the Prism Examples Directory?
[/usr/cm/examples]?
```

Everything has now been read from the tape. The installation procedure then asks:

Where is the X library directory on this machine? [/usr/lib/X11]?

The next questions asked by the procedure are used to customize the installation to the environment at your site. The first three of these questions will ask for a pathname that is valid from a user's point of view. The pathnames that you specify in this section might be different from those that you specified when you unloaded the tape. This might be the case, for example, if you are installing Prism onto a server that will be exporting the Prism directories to client machines from which users will be running Prism. In this case, the pathname used to access a directory on the server may be different from the pathname used to access that same server directory from the client.

Note that your responses to these questions do not make soft links. If you are going to use links, respond to this set of questions with the locations of the installed software (that is, what the soft links should point at), not the locations of the soft links that are going to be installed.

The questions are shown below.

Where would a user find the Prism Support Directory [/usr/local/lib]?  
Where would a user find the Prism Runtime Libraries [/usr/local/lib]?  
Where would a user find the Prism Driver [/usr/local/bin]?  
Where would a user find the Prism Manual Page  
[/usr/local/man/CMOST/man1]?  
Where would a user find the X library directory [/usr/lib/X11]?

Next, the installation script asks about soft links:

Do you want to install soft links [no]?

If you answer **yes**, the script asks:

In what directory should the driver link be created [/usr/local/bin]?  
In what directory should the library links be created  
[/usr/local/lib]?  
In what directory should the man page link be created  
[/usr/local/man/CMOST/man1]?

It then continues:

The Prism 'email' command allows users to submit bug reports from within Prism. Enter a valid e-mail address to which these messages should be sent. If your site has a local Applications Engineer, the AE's e-mail address should be given, otherwise the e-mail should be directed to Customer Support at Thinking Machines (csg@think.com).

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Enter a valid e-mail address for Prism bug reports [no\_default]?

With each software release Thinking Machines will now be sending an ASCII bug-update file that lists fixed bugs and outstanding bugs for Prism. We will also be sending monthly updates to this file.

The bug-update file for this release is called prism-1.1.bugupdate.

Where would you like to install the bug-update file [/usr/cm/doc]?

After you have answered these questions, the installation procedure will build the on-line documentation database and then ranlib the Prism runtime library.

This completes the basic installation of Prism.

## Verifying the Installation

We suggest that you verify the installation by starting Prism and making sure that the help system and the on-line documentation system work. To start Prism, issue these commands (substituting the name of your own workstation for *workstation*):

```
% rehash
% setenv DISPLAY workstation:0
% prism
```

The rehash may be necessary to update the shell's hash tables to see the newly installed `prism` command. After Prism starts up, pull down the **Help** menu and click on any selection to make sure the help files are available. Pull down the **Doc** menu and click on **Online Doc**. Submit a topic (for example, "attaching") and make sure that the documentation is available. If there is a problem with on-line documentation, see below.

It may be the case, however, that you will be able to obtain on-line documentation but other users will not; this will happen if Prism is installed onto a server that exports Prism to other machines, and the pathname to the support directory is different on the server and the client. See below for a workaround.

## If Online Documentation Isn't Working

You may find that on-line documentation isn't working. In the Xwais window that appears when you click on **Online Doc**, you may see the message:

The following database is not available: ...

And in the xterm from which you started Prism, you may see the message:

```
can't open the word hash file ...
```

This problem can occur if the Prism support directory was installed into a file system that is mounted on the installation system via the Sun automounter.

The workaround is to log in to the machine that exports the file system on which the Prism support directory resides and manually build the on-line documentation database by issuing these commands:

```
# cd prism-support-directory/online  
# ./waisindex -d tmc-documentation -r raw-text
```