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Newton Connection Kit for Windows: Description (11/93)

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TOPIC -----

This article describes the Newton Connection Kit for Windows.

DISCUSSION -----

With the Newton Connection Kit for Windows, you can connect your Newton to a Microsoft Windows-based personal computer (PC) and create, view, edit, back up and synchronize information created on the MessagePad.

Synchronization

The Connection Kit automatically synchronizes information between the Newton and the computer. The information is stored by files and includes both data and applications.

The information in the Windows-based PC can be viewed and edited, then downloaded back to the Newton. Templates are used to view and edit the information, so you can do text-intensive work with a keyboard and move it directly to your Newton.

Synchronization creates three files. One is the Windows-based PC's view of Newton's memory. An archive file keeps an accumulative copy of all files synchronized. A backup file keeps only those files which changed from the last synchronization.

Any files created during synchronization can be restored back into Newton.

Install Package

This option allows Newton applications (packages) to be downloaded from a Windows-based PC into the Newton. Newton software can be distributed on Microsoft Windows-standard floppy disks, installed on the computer and then downloaded. The packages can be removed just as easily, using the Newton Memory preference button labeled "Remove Software."

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