background menu

Refers to the Lisp menu that appears when the cursor is in the background and not in any window.

basic command menu

Also the command menu. This refers to the TEdit *pop-up menu* that appears when you move the *cursor* into the *title bar* and press the left button. See *cursor*, *pop-up menu*, and *title bar*.

button

The button on the two- or three-button mouse.

caret

The blinking symbol on your screen indicating where input is to go. You change the position of the caret by moving the mouse cursor and pressing the left mouse button.

command menu

See basic command menu

current selection

The text in a TEdit window that is marked as selected in some way (underlining, highlighting, etc.) and has the caret at one end of the selection.

cursor

A character, usually a diagonal arrow on the 1186 CRT, that follows the movement of the mouse and lets you reposition the caret. It is sometimes called the mouse cursor. The cursor can change shape under certain conditions. An hourglass shape indicates that a process is going on. A small box, or icon, representing the mouse requires a confirmation response before a selected process is performed. During preboot and boot, the cursor can change to display a four-digit cursor code.

default

An action taken (or value specified) if no other action is specified by the user.

directory

A set of one or more files stored together in the same place on a device.

Exec

The executive window that contains the cursor at initialization. As of the Lyric release, there are Exec windows for Common Lisp, Xerox Common Lisp, Interlisp, and Old Interlisp. Unless otherwise noted, all functions and calls in this user's guide should be typed into an Interlisp Exec.

extension

Appended to a file name, the exrtension, such as ".tedit" in the name of this file, GLOSSARY.TEDIT;4, usually indicates what type of file it is. The ";4" is the version number, which shows how many times the file has been modified. The extension is separated from the file name with a period; the version number is separated from the extension by a semicolon.

file server

Computer that provides file storage and retrieval service for users of the network.

font

A collection of characters in one size and style of type, e.g., 10-point Modern Italic.

line bar

The left part of a TEdit window where the cursor shifts from being left-pointing to right-pointing allowing you to select larger units (paragraphs and lines) of text.

line leading

The vertical distance between lines in a paragraph.

menu

A collection of text strings, buttons, or icons generally used to present a set of possible actions for user selection.

meta return Pressing <RETURN> while holding down the META key. Meta returns allow you to force a line break within a paragraph.

module A Xerox Lisp tool, or program, designed to help you carry out

some complex procedure or task. A module must be loaded into

your environment before you can use it.

mouse Pointing device equipped with buttons. Your 1186 workstation

may have a two-button or three-button mouse. Sometimes

referred to as the optical pointer.

mouse cursor See description for cursor.

paragraph To TEdit, all the text between two carriage returns and includes

the second carriage return.

paragraph leading The vertical distance between paragraphs

until you close the menu or the TEdit window itself.

pop-up menu A menu that appears when you press a mouse button and

disappears when you release the button. Usually appears at the location of the cursor. The background menu is an example of a

pop-up menu. See also menu and background menu.

prompt region The small white window above the TEdit window's title bar.

prompt window The black window at the top of your screen used to display

Executive process information. This window can be moved,

shaped and temporarily closed.

replacement sting The text that is used to substitute for other text.

select This term has several meanings depending on the context of its

use. In discussing TEdit's menus select means:

Move the mouse cursor over the menu command, press the mouse button until the command is highlighted, then release

the mouse button. You also select text, see current selection.

search string
The text that is used to find matches of text you are searching

for.

sysout A frozen version of a Xerox Lisp environment. It contains all the information needed to initialize virtual memory when Xerox

Lisp is started.

three-state command A type of persistent menu command that has on, off and neutral

states.

two-state command A type of persistent menu command that has only on and off

states.

type size The distance from the top to the bottom of the characters that

represent the highest and lowest points in a character set.

Measured in points.

virtual memory Working space on the local disk that can be used, with the aid of

swapping programs, to emulate core memory.

window A defined area within a display screen that can be used as a

working space. Multiple windows can be active simultaneously

on one display screen, and can overlay one another.

window menu This menu appears whenever you press the right button with the

cursor in the black title bar of the window, or at the top of a

window with no title bar.

word In TEdit, a contiguous collection of letters and numbers,

punctuation marks, special symbols (such as the percent sign), or

of white space characters (such as a space or tab).

scroll bar The narrow window that opens when you move the cursor just

outside the left edge of a TEdit window. You use the scroll bar to

move through a TEdit file.

title bar The black bar containing the window's title that appears at the

top of the TEdit window.