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On Sun, Apr 29, 2007 at 03:45:42PM -0400, Steve Kleene wrote:

On Sun, 29 Apr 2007 13:28:07 -0400, I wrote:

But I have no evidence that the fkeys are ever seen with X running.

On Sun, 29 Apr 2007 20:19:10 +0200, Florian Kulzer replied:

Run "xev" and check the keysyms for CTRL, ALT, F1, etc. It would be especially interesting to see what you get for the CTRL + ALT + Fn combinations. The keysyms should be "XF86_Switch_VT_n" for switching to another VT.

Thanks for suggesting this. I believe you have led me to the solution (although I now feel like an idiot too). I found that strikes to F5, F6, and F10 were not seen at all by xev. I set out to see if there were any other undetected keys and found one labeled "F Lock". Once I depressed that, the other keys were detected and virtual terminals worked. I've never had an "F Lock" key before and didn't know it was a possibility. But that's probably all there was to it.

I wonder how many vt switching issues come down to this? I have a mini keyboard on some terminals at work that have a couple *lock keys with similar behavior. huh.

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