



03/2affair

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What are we/should we be doing to leverage WIN32S against OS/2 2.0. Building up the perception that there will be a base of Windows applications that will not run on OS/2 2.0 is something that we should do. I wonder if this is something we should high-light in one of the press tours (presumably the one I do on 3/9) during March. I will ask yarons what we can demo then.

Yarons - what could be demo'd then?

Win32s can run all win3.1 apps and features. To highlight our WIN32 platform vs IBM's OS/2 2.0 we can look at two aspects:

- 1) what win16 apps are not running under os2 2.0?
- 2) new WIN32 apps that are running under WIN32s (obviously win32 apps do not run under OS/2 2.0).

On 1 above, davidwo should be able to come up with a good demo. What comes to mind is DDE, Clipboard, VXD, Enhanced mode. All of these are supported well under Win32S since it is using Win3.1 underneath, and can be demoed 9/3. This would come down to a scenario like Excel/Winword/PowerPoint running with hot links, exchanging data and charts.

On 2 above, our situation is not that great yet. We miss, so far, a real life win32 app that can be demoed. We can demo the win32 applets if this is interesting for 3/9. WIN32S is integrated with win3.1 shell i.e. a user cannot distinguish a win32s app from a win3.1 app. For example, you can drag a file from win3.1 file mgr to 32bit-Notepad.

There were two "32bit-ized" apps that we dealt with: Excel and Lotus. Excel: to get to a 3/9 demo we need "ASAP" a guy from excel to build the current prototype with the current NT tools. We will load it and inform the situation wrt 3/9 within 1 day after this is done.

Lotus: Cameron's group is working with Lotus. I have the feeling that we will not have a version of Lotus to play with soon enough. Cameron?

Thanks,



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