New Virtual Machine Options for OS/2 and eComStation

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Who is Netsys GmbH and What is twoOStwo?

- working in Dresden, Germany
- twoOStwo was developed for German banks and insurance companies
 - > very clear need: run OS/2 applications on Windows NT
 - > we are selling twoOStwo in projects for a few years now
- > we are now creating an end user product...





What can you do with twoOStwo?

- twoOStwo creates a full computer on top of a computer
- > comparable to MS VirtualPC or VMWare
- > you can run one operating system as an application on top of another operating system
- ➤ better: You can run applications of different operating systems on one operating system





Virtualization

- > when possible, routing to the real hardware is used instead of emulation
- > current version supports routing for parallel and serial port, floppy, CD-ROM, CPU, RAM
- current version provides emulation for network card, graphics card
- > future versions will support a sound card and USB





Virtualization (con'd)

- twoOStwo is installed as an application on the Host system
- > a few device drivers are also installed
- > resources of the host system are used where possible
- twoOStwo creates a container file in the file system of the Host operating system
- > the guest operating system runs inside this container file
 - > Host operating system sees only one big file
 - Guest operating systems sees a hard drive





Current Features

- ➤ Hardware visible to the Guest operating system
 - > Full Pentium compatible PC
 - > VESA 3.0 graphics card
 - ➤ NE2000 (plus) Ethernet network card / Token Ring network card depending on Host network card
 - > IDE hard drive, IDE CD-ROM drive, floppy drive
 - Serial and parallel ports
- > SMP enabled





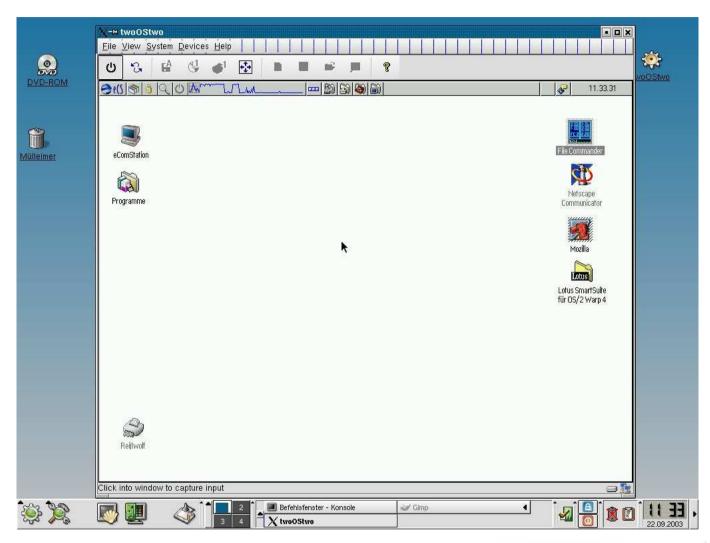
Current Features (con'd)

- Supported Host Operating Systems
 - Windows NT4, Windows 2000, Windows XP, Windows Server 2003
 - > Linux 2.4
 - > FreeBSD
- Supported Guest Operating Systems
 - > OS/2 Warp 3 or higher
 - > Windows 3.1, 95, 98, ME, NT, 2000, XP
 - > DOS
 - > Linux 2.2, 2.4





Demo of Linux Host Version







Planned Features and Enhancements

- > Enhancements to the virtual machine
 - Sound support
 - > USB support
- > OS/2 Host Version





Linux/FreeBSD and OS/2 Host Beta Programs

- > Alpha program planned to start November 1st
- > Beta by the end of this year
- > more information on http://www.ecomstation.com





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