



OS/2 WARP

Device Driver Update

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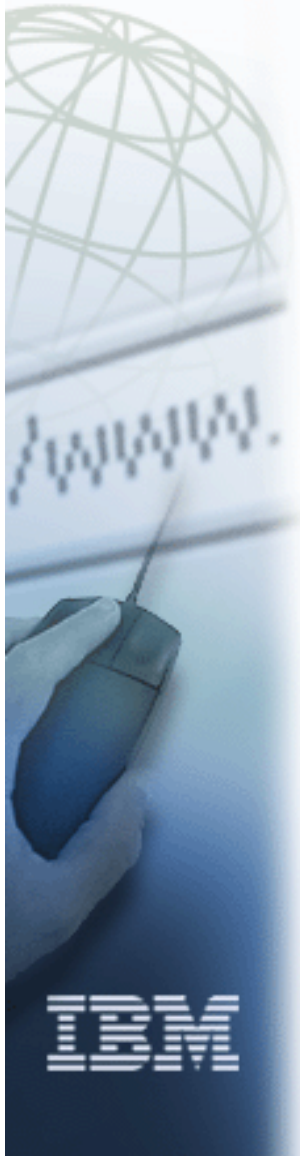
Agenda

- Current OS/2 Device Driver status
- Ongoing development efforts
 - ▶ within IBM
 - ▶ within IHV's
 - ▶ in the OS/2 community
- Planned Hardware and DD Enhancements
- Demo





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Current OS/2 DD status... Overview

- OS/2 is well suited to run on most of today's PC hardware: >5,600 devices listed on DDPAK site!
 - ▶ Display adapters
 - ▶ Network adapters
 - ▶ USB adapters
 - ▶ PCCard devices
 - ▶ Multimedia devices
 - ▶ Printers

> 200,000 downloads from
DDPAK per month!



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Display adapters

- SciTech Display Doctor (TM) runs on over 400 different graphics adapters, exploiting many acceleration functions:
 - ▶ IBM licensed version available for free download
 - ▶ Full version available from SciTech (www.scitechsoft.com)
- New "native" OS/2 Display drivers available for:
 - ▶ S3 Savage
 - ▶ Matrox G400
 - ▶ IBMGRADD V083 build now on DDPAK
 - TIP: includes decent NeoMagic support for TP600
 - ▶ ...

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USB support

- Comprehensive USB support for available from IBM:
 - ▶ USB Keyboard support
 - ▶ USB Mouse support
 - ▶ USB Modem support (generic)
 - ▶ USB Printer support (generic)
 - ▶ USB Mass Storage Device support
 - Floppy disk (incl. LS-120)
 - Removable Media (ZIP)
 - ▶ coming:
 - USB CD-ROM/CD-RW support (4Q00)
 - USB-to-parallel/serial support BELKIN (4Q00)
 - IBM multi-function desktop hub
- currently UHCI (Intel/VIA) only, OHCI (Microsoft/Compaq standard) planned for 2001

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Multimedia support

- This is a traditionally weak spot of OS/2:
 - ▶ lack of drivers
 - ▶ lack of applications
- Some exceptions though:
 - ▶ SBLive! driver by Sander van Leuwen:
 - supports up to 128 concurrent streams
 - based on Linux driver opensourced by CreativeLabs
 - ▶ Crystal Audio drivers by Joe Nord
 - excellent quality
 - ODIN enabled, new Mixer API
 - ▶ generic Win-OS/2 audio driver by John Gow
 - ▶ WinCast drivers by Tim Snipe
 - ▶ USB Audio drivers for Labtec speakers
 - ▶ ...

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Printer support

- IBM's printer drivers will continue to be updated:
 - ▶ OMNI driver:
 - was recently ported to Linux by IBM, resulting enhancements will be backported to OS/2
 - Tip: do not use default "Magic Square" Dithering algorithm! "Stucki" gives much better results!
 - Tip: DJ2500 series contains Resolution Enhancement!
 - ▶ PCL driver:
 - continuing work with HP, Lexmark and others...
 - ▶ PSCRIPT driver:
 - good coverage, color enhanced...
- Non-IBM drivers from printer manufacturers:
 - ▶ HP Laserjet series
 - ▶ EPSON inkjet printers
 - ▶ ...





OS/2 drivers from EPSON

- Follow-on work to a driver developed by EPSON Germany
- Now based on IBM's OMNI driver, with "plug-in" DLL that contains EPSON's proprietary extensions
 - ▶ that way the development effort for EPSON is minimal
 - ▶ EPSON can easily protect their intellectual property (IBM has no source code access to that DLL)
 - ▶ ensures that EPSON driver benefits from ongoing OMNI enhancements
- Three drivers supporting most current and older EPSON inkjet printers:
 - ▶ EPOMNI: Stylus Color 600 / 800 / 850 / 1520 / 3000, Stylus Photo / EX / 700
 - ▶ EPOMNI2: Stylus Color 640 / 740 / 900, Stylus Photo 750 / 1200
 - ▶ EPOMNI3: Stylus Color 660 / 760 / 860 / 1160, Stylus Photo 870 / 1270





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Non-IBM IDE drivers

- DANIS506.ADD
 - ▶ based on current IBM1S506.ADD sources
- DANIATAPI.FLT
 - ▶ merged IBMIDECD.FLT & IBMATAPI.FLT codebase
- Features added:
 - ▶ complete chipset coverage (Intel, VIA, ALi, SiS, CMD, Promise, Cyrix, HighPoint and AMD)
 - ▶ current Ultra ATA66 & 100 standards
 - ▶ Hot-Swap (IBM ThinkPad UltraBay)
 - ▶ Iomega ZIP250 support
 - ▶ PCCard attached ATAPI support (Iomega ZIP250 PCCard adapter, Iomega Click!)
 - ▶ improved performance
- available on hobbes.nmsu.edu





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IBM IrDA support



- IrDA is the current standard for Infrared communication
- IBM has a complete IrDA stack for OS/2:
 - ▶ Physical driver (HW interface, currently implemented for UART chips in most notebooks)
 - ▶ IrDA base driver
 - ▶ IAS driver
 - ▶ NDIS driver
 - ▶ NEW: IrCOMM driver
 - provides connectivity with:
 - IR cellphones with HW modem (Nokia, Ericsson, Siemens, ...)
 - IR enabled printers (HP LJ6MP, DJ340/360)
 - PDA's (Future...)

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OS/2 Device Drivers delivered in 2000

- USB Basic (Stack Support for USB devices)
- USB Audio (Audio Playback and Microphone Record)
- USB Mouse (2/3 button, scrolling, and Trackpoint mice)
- USB Modem
- USB Keyboard
- USB Mass Storage (Support for Floppy, Zip, and LS-120)
- USB Print Device Driver (Support for legacy (via converter cable) and USB printers)
- Scrolling Mouse (Support for 2/3 button, scrolling (including cordless), and Trackpoint)
- PC Card 5.0 Card and Socket Device Driver
- Printer Pak 13/14/15 (Supporting 53 new printers)
- Sci-Tech GRADD (Supporting 136 new video chipsets)
- LAN Adapter Certification (43 Adapters Tested/Certified)
- Updated PRINT01.SYS (Improve Printer Polling Algorithm)





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What we're working on right now...

- Unified Mouse (Merge MOUSE.SYS and MOUSE2.SYS into Single Driver, TrackPoint IV support)
- USB CD/CD-RW/DVD Support
- UDF IFS Extensions for USB CD/DVD
- USB Ethernet Adapter
- VIA Disk Controller Support
- ATA100 Controller Support
- Upgrade IR Stack Support (IR for PDA/Cellular Telephone/Printers)
- OS/2 Certification of OEM Hardware (Review of Compatibility Test Kit results from OEM/Posting to Internet)
- Hardware Compatibility Test Kit Updates (Updates for New Device Support)



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What we're looking at...

- USB Bootable Removable Media
- USB Version 2.0 Support
- UDF IFS Version 2.0 Support
- USB Hard Disk Support
- Enable Ultra-Bay Hot Plug Capability (Mobile Systems Support)
- USB OHCI Support (Non-Intel USB Stack Support)
- DVD Streaming Media (Subsystem support for DVD Streaming Data - Banking Requirement)
- ... ? (your comments)

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Hardware and DD Enhancements planned

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Hardware and Device Driver Enhancements & Defect Support

Fee-based Transition Services and Product Enhancement Services

Software Stack Support

Warranty Defect Support Followed by Fee-based Defect Support

- Focus -- hardware and device driver support IBM determines most essential:
 - ▶ Hardware support from IBM and other PC manufacturers as:
 - Compatibility tested systems, followed by
 - Warranty defect support, followed by
 - Fee-based defect support
 - ▶ Device Drivers from:
 - IBM
 - IHV / ISV / OEM
- Anticipate shift to Universal Serial Bus (USB) and legacy free device support
- Move from DDPK to SW choice -> subscription needed!





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Relevant IBM URL's

- For hardware and device driver information refer to:

<http://service.software.ibm.com/os2ddpak/>

- To submit device driver requirements refer to:

<http://www.ibm.com/software/os/warp/feedback/>



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