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Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Tue, 19 Feb 2008 13:40:25 GMT

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Posted by [Chris Ludwig](#) on Tue, 19 Feb 2008 16:21:46 GMT

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When get under the hood you can make it at least look and somewhat act like XP. But its performance for audio application is so poor still it's still a waste. If at least equaled the performance of XP using the same hardware we would have switched to it already. Until MS can at least do that it will never be used by a professional musician.

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Posted by [LaMontt](#) on Tue, 19 Feb 2008 17:38:02 GMT

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Posted by [TCB](#) on Tue, 19 Feb 2008 19:41:20 GMT

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They've started putting up drivers on their web site for most machines now anyway. I've been shoehorning XP onto laptops for over a year now because Vista is \_such\_ a toad. Thanks be to Odin that so much of a laptop is integrated these days. Get the right chipset, video driver, wireless card, and maybe a few other things and you're good to go.

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Posted by [Mark McDermott](#) on Tue, 19 Feb 2008 21:31:05 GMT

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It's fair to say that Vista is consuming more engineering, QA, and support resources here than any other OS.

Stick with XP for now, if you can.

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Don't tell me that's not buying your way in.

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Martin Harrington](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 01:42:43 GMT  
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I don't work for them, except as a freelancer, so I get zilch.  
Martin H

On 20/02/08 11:47 AM, in article 47bb6aa2\$1@linux, "James McCloskey"  
<excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

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> I'm sure a Mac with FCP is a hell of a lot cheaper than a full blown Avid  
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> There is quite a bit of difference between a discount and giving away the

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> Martin Harrington <lendan@bigpond.net.au> wrote:  
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>> I do know that Apple have been VERY generous to our National Broadcaster.  
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>> They have started shooting with Panasonics Pro P2 type camera, and the  
>> powers that be decided that Final Cut Pro would be used throughout the  
>> network, (with some convincing by Apple, me thinks).  
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>> Before that it was PC / Avid based.  
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>> Consequently, the network had to be fitted out with Macs, HUGE order),  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 04:27:59 GMT

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There's nothing unusual about that in either the tech industry or higher end corporate jobs. Yes, MS pays well, because they are making a lot of money - but Google pays well also, as do oil companies. There's nothing different about MS giving hiring bonuses to high end engineers than Intel, Cisco, Yamaha, Avid, a biotech firm or anyone else doing it. I was in engineering for several years, and was offered significant stock options when interviewing with fast growing, up and coming networking companies - that was standard in that market - signing bonuses are as well - heck, it happens every week in the NFL, NBA, MSL, music industry, etc. In the corporate world it is routine for highly qualified people to be contacted by head hunters offering bonuses, stock options, higher salary, better advancement with another company. There's nothing unethical about it unless the employee just does it to use as a bargaining chip for more pay at their current job.

The point is - if you are worth that much to someone else, then they must really want you, and you had better deliver.

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Because Google is going to stomp them, Yahoo, Apple, AT&T, Sprint and a few others if they don't.

My .02.

Dedric

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 05:10:11 GMT

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 05:19:21 GMT

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Come now ... if we're talking ethical standards riddle me 2 things, early  
history:

How did the Apple Lisa get it's name?

Who fired Steve Jobs, and why was he pushed out of the Apple Lisa project?

The funny thing about humanity and ethics is they usually leave the room to  
make more space for money and greed when the word 'corporate' gets involved.

Now, I'm not sayin Gates is a saint (or Ballmer), hardly that, but it's  
rather obvious that Apple doesn't mind strong arming folks either. Let's  
take iTunes. Apple and Apple Records had an agreement. One conveniently  
forgotten by Jobs that he later got to pay for. Jobs will tell you he saved  
the record business. I bet the fat cats on boards at labels have a different  
song. (On the other end, the Zune is a failure IMO) My perspective is  
different than both those parties. Everybody has their truth.

But to say Apple or MS either one are ethical is a tall order, and it's  
strictly a matter of power to push the smaller ones around. MS just has more  
power.

Just a little levity.

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Posted by [Kim](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 05:32:51 GMT

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Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 07:31:09 GMT  
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Evil may not expand in proportion to the money injected into the equation, there is also the corporate culture involved. Apple is expected to support the product better than others and people pay more, in part, based on this expectation. Now, they have dropped the ball more than once, but I have also seen them be very attentive and supportive, giving direct phone numbers to contact the techs about the problem and responding quickly and competently. I have never once seen Dell or MS do so. (the only PC folks I have experience with)

Honda and Toyota are making much more money than GM is, but don't try to tell me the quality of the product is the same, and that arises directly from the corporate culture.

Companies are not all the same; only limited by money from doing evil.

That's pretty cynical. All too often true, mind you, but not always.

best

DC

ps having said all that... DAMN I hate online platform arguments!  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Kim](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 07:53:31 GMT  
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"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote:  
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True, to an extent. Apple are certainly not beyond both ends, and to an extent it always depends on who dealt with the area which involves you.

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Well that was more or less my point. I mean we seem to have reached a point in many of these arguments just perpetuate. I just wanted to point out that no company is beyond doing good or bad.

I tend to think we should put our efforts here into the specifics of the user experience in the O.S. moreso than the underlying politics, which belongs on General one would think.

Cheers,  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Erling](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 08:29:06 GMT  
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That's a real problem, when being personal friends with firms sales reps and doing business with them with closed, friendly eyes;-)

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 08:30:01 GMT  
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Aaron I'd love to here your version of the two events. It's obvious that Jobs was a driven men with a vision of where he wanted his company to go, and it's obvious that John Sculley didn't agree with him. Jobs was anal and autocratic back in the early 80s, that actually was a management style back in those days, and obviously not a vary good one. I'm sure some people back in those days would say he was driven to insanity, I'm sure he would say his ideas were Insanely Great.

Jobs and Sculley had to different visions of Apple. Jobs try to regain control of his company Apple in a board room take over, Jobs got the short end of the stick and quit Apple.

Who had better vision and was a better CEO for Apple, Jobs or Sculley? You can't argue with success.

So how is Apple as a company unethical?

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [excelav](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 08:40:38 GMT  
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Dude mon! Apple does some things that I do not care for, however I don't see Apple as an evil company. Please enlighten me as to why you see Apple as an evil company.

"Kim" <[hidensounds@hotmail.com](mailto:hidensounds@hotmail.com)> wrote:

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>Dude, all I'm saying is that we have two evil companies, and one has more  
>money, hence power, than the other. Hence the one with more power obviously  
>is in a better position to do all this evil stuff. Apple have less examples  
>of questionable business practises, yes, but they have a smaller budget

so  
>what do you expect?  
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>Why does M\$ need yahoo? Why did Apple need any of a number of companies they  
>have absorbed? Why does society think we need to grow all the time when the  
>size of the planet has been fairly stable since its existence? Got me stuffed.  
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>>Ok, can you give me a legitimate example of Apple buying market share?

>I  
>>have seen Apple do some things strait out of the MS play book, but it's  
>not  
>>vary often.  
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>>Somebody vary close to me was an executive at a software company (N) and  
>>was over their HR department. MS was hiring away (N) top software engineers  
>>by giving them 1 to 3 million dollar starting bonuses, (bribes). They  
hired  
>>way (N) intellectual technology to work on IE, and they gave IE away for  
>>free to drive (N) out of business. How many times have you heard of Apple  
>>stomping their competition to death? How many times have you heard of  
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>>coming in to a market and giving products away for free in order to drive  
>>their competition out of business? How many times have you heard of Apple  
>>threatening to pull all products from a VAR for installing a competing  
software  
>>product on a system? To say that they are the same is not true. MS copies  
>>from, steals from or buys out from their competition at their price, and  
>>if that doesn't work they crush their competition, they almost never play  
>>ethically. When it comes to ethics and business practices these companies  
>>are not even close.  
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>>Why does MS need Yahoo so bad? Isn't MSN and all their products good enough?  
>> Why must they do a hostile take over of Yahoo? It will be interesting  
>to  
>>see how many products MS gives away for free if they get Yahoo. It's not  
>>about competition, it's about conquering. MS must control all. It's an  
>>ego trip for them.  
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>>is  
>>>your claim that Apple aren't similar.  
>>>  
>>>Yes, the latest OSX is much nicer than Vista. It's plausible that Apple's  
>>>business practices are not quite as bad as M\$. It's very highly plausible  
>>>that this is because they don't have a monopoly with which to exercise  
>that  
>>>power.  
>>>  
>>>Most people I know agrees that M\$ and Apple both act extremely suspiciously  
>>>whenever they get the chance, with M\$ having the upper hand because they  
>>>have the upper hand in muscle. How you can claim Apple have never tried  
>>to  
>>>buy market share I just don't get.  
>>>  
>>>Just because one company is very evil doesn't mean you are forced to become  
>>>blind to the evils of the other. Most people on this group see evils in  
>>both.  
>>>I have seen you criticise Apple, but it's very very rare. They do a long  
>>>more wrong IMHO than you give them credit for, and claiming they don't  
>buy  
>>>market share, well...  
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>>><rant off>  
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Posted by [Kim](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 09:28:48 GMT  
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"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>So how is Apple as a company unethical?

Any chance we could move that bit of the discussion to General?

Cheers,  
Kim.

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [excelav](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 09:32:09 GMT

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Apple Computer was sued by Apple Records in what I would call a greedy and frivolous law suit. It's a big stretch to say that people got the two companies confused leading to a loss in sales. It's ridiculous to say that Apple records has an exclusive right to the common name Apple. That would be like a zoo saying they have an exclusive right to the name impala.

Apple Paid Apple records 20 million to settle out. Apple did agree not to enter the record company business, so Apple records sued Apple computer again when Apple started iTunes. Is Best Buy or Circuit City in the the record company business? Well neither was Apple Computer. Apple had a right to resell music or recordings just like best buy or mp3.com, there was nothing unethical about it. Apple records filed another frivolous law suit against Apple computer. I do not believe the results of that suit were disclosed, however it sounds like Apple Computer did Ok.

By the way, wasn't this about Vista? Vista still sucks; )

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Posted by [rick](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 09:47:45 GMT  
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oh john...what have you wraught...troublemaker b u.

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On 19 Feb 2008 23:40:25 +1000, "John" <no@no.com> wrote:

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><http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-9Tu5CPVoP8>  
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>hehe  
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>I just started running vista and I gotta say, yeah baby , it sucks

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [rick](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 09:50:56 GMT  
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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 14:54:16 GMT  
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Yes Rick or IBM? PARC anyone?

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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 15:00:12 GMT  
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Well to be honest, I don't care a lot to rehash history to clear revisionist  
views... and as Kim said it probably oughta be in general because the whole  
era is fairly well documented anyway and it's old news.

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [TCB](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 15:52:48 GMT  
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I think there are a few million AAPL shareholders who would be moderately  
surprised to find out that the company belongs to Steve Jobs.

TCB

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>Aaron I'd love to here your version of the two events. It's obvious that  
>Jobs was a driven men with a vision of where he wanted his company to go,  
>and it's obvious that John Sculley didn't agree with him. Jobs was anal  
>and autocratic back in the early 80s, that actually was a management style  
>back in those days, and obviously not a vary good one. I'm sure some people  
>back in those days would say he was driven to insanity, I'm sure he would  
>say his ideas were Insanely Great.  
>  
>Jobs and Sculley had to different visions of Apple. Jobs try to regain  
control  
>of his company Apple in a board room take over, Jobs got the short end of  
>the stick and quit Apple.  
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Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 17:48:46 GMT  
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I just run in the middle stir it up and haul butt

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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 18:18:22 GMT  
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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 18:48:02 GMT

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 19:43:49 GMT  
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In 1997 Apple was worth 11 Billion, most of it was liquid, but their stock price was in the dumper. There sales were cannibalized by the Mac clones. Microsoft was in hot water with their anti trust issues. Because Microsoft Office is the worlds de-facto standard Apple needed Office to be available on the Mac. It was renewal time for development. Apple needed MS and MS needed Apple, so they made a deal. MS would continue to develop MS Office for the Mac, and they would invest 150 million in Apple by buying Apple common stock and holding it for a few years. The ploy worked, Wall st. said, if Bill Gates thinks Apple is a good company to in vest in to than so should everybody. Apples stock price went up. Remember, Apple was worth 11 Billion, they needed the perception not the money. I think MS made out the best because MS got a 5 year cross licensing agreement which took them in to Mac OSX, MS got the code! That's why XP had a new look and Vista with it's Mac OSX look and aqua icons, etc., and there is no law suit. MS also got Apple to make IE the default browser, pushing Netscape out of the way.



I love the boos! Mac users just love MS!  
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That line from gates is a fictional line from the movie "Pirates of Silicon Valley". the truth is Apple licensed the rights from Xerox for one million dollars worth of Apple common stock, which Xerox sold about a year later for around 16 million. It's too bad the Xerox executives had poor vision, had they held that stock it would be worth a lot more today. Xerox under utilized that technology. The Xerox executives under estimated the value of the technology. Apple developed the raw technology in to a very useable GUI with color. When the Xerox executives saw what Apple did with the technology, they wanted to sue Apple, but it was too late.

What did Microsoft pay for the technology? Xerox created the basic technology, Apple licensed the technology and developed it quite a bit further, Microsoft stole it!

It's a well known fact that Apple had a development license deal with MS to develop a spread sheet for the Macintosh OS. Apple provided MS with the Mac OS code, MS saw what Apple was doing and how they were achieving it, MS copied what Apple was doing. Gates did not beat Apple to market, that's fiction, The Macintosh was released on Jan 24th 1984, Windows was not released until Nov. 20th 1985 almost two years later. MS copied and ripped off Apple.

A judge thought competition was good for the people.

Here is more on the subject:

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 20:45:59 GMT

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>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message  
>news:47bc74e5\$1@linux...

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>> Here's what Jobs had to say about MS.

>> <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=upzKj-1HaKw&feature=related>

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>That's one of the funniest and most juvenile comments I've every heard from

>a CEO.

I would say it was vary accurate!

>Ah, the Jobs/Gates family feud - will it ever end? Well eventually,  
>morbidly speaking...

>or when Google takes them both over....

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>> More Jobs

>> <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1R-jKKp3NA&NR=1>

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>> erlilo <erling.lovik@lyse.net> wrote:

>>>It seems noone here seems to remember what's happeing when Mac nearly

>>>was going to the graveyard, was it in the early '90ties? Micro\$\$

>>>would get monopoly problems with the gouvernement if Mac lost that

>>>fight, so Micro\$\$\$ was spitting millions of \$ into the Macfirm, just

>>>to be sure it would survive. I don't know yet, if Micro\$\$\$ still is

>>>one of the MAC owners.

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>>>Erling

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>>>On 20 Feb 2008 17:53:31 +1000, "Kim" <hiddensounds@hotmail.com> wrote:

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>>>>"DC" <dc@spammersinhell.com> wrote:

>>>>>Companies are not all the same; only limited by money from doing

>>>>>evil.

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>>>>>True, to an extent. Apple are certainly not beyond both ends, and to  
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>>>>it always depends on who dealt with the area which involves you.

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>>>>ps having said all that... DAMN I hate online platform arguments!  
>>>>I mean who really cares?  
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>>>>Well that was more or less my point. I mean we seem to have reached a  
  
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>That line from gates is a fictional line from the movie "Pirates of Silicon  
>Valley". the truth is Apple licensed the rights from Xerox for one million  
>dollars worth of Apple common stock, which Xerox sold about a year later  
>for around 16 million. It's too bad the Xerox executives had poor vision,  
>had they held that stock it would be worth a lot more today. Xerox under  
>utilized that technology. The Xerox executives under estimated the value  
>of the technology. Apple developed the raw technology in to a very useable  
>GUI with color. When the Xerox executives saw what Apple did with the technology,  
> they wanted to sue Apple, but it was too late.  
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>What did Microsoft pay for the technology? Xerox created the basic technology,  
>Apple licensed the technology and developed it quite a bit further, Microsoft  
>stole it!  
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>It's a well known fact that Apple had a development license deal with MS  
>to develop a spread sheet for the Macintosh OS. Apple provided MS with  
the  
>Mac OS code, MS saw what Apple was doing and how they were achieving it,  
>MS copied what Apple was doing. Gates did not beat Apple to market, that's  
>fiction, The Macintosh was released on Jan 24th 1984, Windows was not released

>until Nov. 20th 1985 almost two years later. MS copied and ripped off Apple.  
> A judge thought competition was good for the people.

Here is more on the subject, read what Raskin and Horn had to say:

<http://www.apple-history.com/?page=gallery&model=gui>

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>>earlier developer

>>than Horn), also without so much of the Mac slant of the other link:

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>><http://www.apple-history.com/?page=gallery&model=gui>

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>>Also note the last couple of paragraphs on OS's - I completely agree with

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>>him there (really a side note to this debate, but interesting).

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>>> [http://www.mackido.com/Interface/ui\\_history.html](http://www.mackido.com/Interface/ui_history.html)

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>>> "Aaron Allen" <know-spam@not\_here.dude> wrote:

>>>>Yes Rick or IBM? PARC anyone?

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>>>>"rick" <parnell68@hotmail.com> wrote in message

>>>>news:1ttnr3lr1rb1ess4jde459qu724gpa07b@4ax.com...

>>>>> ask atari about the ethics of some employees they once had.

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Posted by [Martin Harrington](#) on Wed, 20 Feb 2008 22:11:46 GMT

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And to think all I wanted to do was to take a nice shit on Vista. Look at the trouble I've caused. I'm sorry.

John

casual observer wrote:

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Right outta Steve's mouth, and I bet you'll still fight and deny about =  
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Sorry James..

Not meaning to get personal, Sorry for that.

Yes, I do run Leopard on PC hardware, and it runs floorlessly BTW, but I was  
running Vista, and my Business machine at home is running Vista.

I have no complaints really with it...except it's a bit of a memory hog, but  
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Vista is still a little kludgy and when running a few intense programs together, really bogs down, where leopard seems to fly with the same hardware... Go figure.

I run Pro Tools in my studio, and that runs way more stably on Tiger, (no Leopard drivers yet), than it ever did on XP, although I haven't got round to getting many OSX plugins yet.

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[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apple\\_iPod](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Apple_iPod)

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Thu, 21 Feb 2008 09:05:19 GMT  
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>>> together, really bogs down, where leopard seems to fly with the sa=  
>me<BR>

>>> hardware... Go figure.<BR>

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>>> I run Pro Tools in my studio, and that runs way more stably on Tig=

>er, (no<BR>  
>>> Leopard drivers yet), than it ever did on XP, although I haven't g=  
>ot round<BR>  
>>> to getting many OSX plugins yet.<BR>  
>>> <BR>  
>>> The other program I'm starting to respect more is Soundtrack Pro, =  
>Dinky<BR>  
>>> graphics but well appointed especially for the Post work that I do=  
>.<BR>  
>>> <BR>  
>>> Again, sorry for getting personal, but maybe it's time to give it =  
>a rest....<BR>  
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>>> Martin Harrington <BR>  
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>> Martin, apology accepted, and I want to thank you for your honesty abo=  
>ut<BR>

>at you are<BR>

>be <BR>  
>> interested,<BR>  
>> but it would be great if you would post your setup again and what you  
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>had<BR>  
>> to do to get it running.<BR>  
>> <BR>  
>> Some times the old NG gets a little boring, a little heated debate isn=  
>'t<BR>

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>>> On 21/02/08 10:56 AM, in article 47bcb00c\$1 @linux, "James &nb=  
>sp;McCloskey"<BR>  
>>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:<BR>  
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>en I see or hear<BR>  
>>>> the same old lies like Apple stole the GUI from Xerox PARC I'l=  
>I set you<BR>  
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> People say Apple is just as bad as Microsoft<BR>  
>>>> when it comes to ethical business practices, I'll speak up bec=  
>ause it's<BR>  
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>mples of Apple doing the same kind of stuff.<BR>

>yself, but you<BR>  
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>soft.<BR>  
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>>>> I always hear something stupid like, somebody wanting to buy m=  
>ovies from<BR>  
>>>> the iTunes store to play on their MS Zune ( an MS rip off of t=  
>he iPod).<BR>  
>>>> You can't put a Chevy tailgate on your Ford truck either, so w=  
>hat.<BR>  
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>>>> Martin, aren't you the guy that runs Mac OSX on PC hardware? &=  
>nbsp;What's wrong<BR>  
>>>> with Vista?<BR>  
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>>>> By the way you starting to get personal, Martin.<BR>  
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>ittle man.<BR>  
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>ou get, is beyond belief.<BR>  
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>>>>> You act like Apple is your baby, and you'll fiercely defen=  
>d it to the<BR>  
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>>>>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:<BR>  
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>>>>>> Apple Computer was sued by Apple Records in what I wou=  
>ld call a greedy<BR>  
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>;It's a big stretch to say that people got the two<BR>  
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>>>>>> records<BR>

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>business, so Apple records sued Apple computer<BR>  
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></FONT><FONT COLOR=3D"#800080">>>>>>> when Apple started iTunes=

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>s just like best buy or mp3.com, there was<BR>  
></FONT><FONT COLOR=3D"#0000FF">> nothing<BR>

>;Apple records filed another frivolous law suit<BR>  
></FONT><FONT COLOR=3D"#0000FF">> against<BR>



>o not believe the results of that suit were disclosed,<BR>  
>>>>> however it sounds like Apple Computer did Ok.<BR>  
>>>>> <BR>

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>>>>> "Aaron Allen" <know-spam@not\_here.dude>=  
>; wrote:<BR>  
>>>>>> Come now ... if we're talking ethical standards ri=  
>ddle me 2 things,<BR>  
></FONT><FONT COLOR=3D"#0000FF">> early<BR>  
></FONT><FONT COLOR=3D"#800080">>>>> <BR>  
>>>>>> history:<BR>  
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>>>>>> How did the Apple Lisa get it's name?<BR>  
>>>>>> Who fired Steve Jobs, and why was he pushed out of=  
> the Apple Lisa <BR>  
>>>>>> project?<BR>  
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>>>>>> The funny thing about humanity and ethics is they =  
>usually leave the<BR>  
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></FONT><FONT COLOR=3D"#800080">>>>> to <BR>  
>>>>>> make more space for money and greed when the word =  
>'corporate' gets<BR>  
>>>>>> involved.<BR>  
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>hardly that, but<BR>  
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>ent. One conveniently<BR>  
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>>>>>> forgotten by Jobs that he later got to pay for. Jo=  
>bs will tell you<BR>  
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>at labels have a<BR>  
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>hose parties. Everybody has their truth.<BR>  
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>s around. MS just<BR>  
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>>>>>> power.<BR>  
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>>>>>> Just a little levity.<BR>  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [rick](#) on Thu, 21 Feb 2008 10:31:33 GMT  
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Posted by [Deej \[5\]](#) on Thu, 21 Feb 2008 21:17:11 GMT  
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news:47bba823\$1@linux...

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Thu, 21 Feb 2008 22:50:36 GMT

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [excelav](#) on Thu, 21 Feb 2008 22:54:19 GMT  
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Shit, Dude! You crack me up!

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Posted by [Chris Ludwig](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 00:31:28 GMT  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Kim](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 04:47:21 GMT  
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"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>Bro that's business.

That's M\$'s antitrust defence in a nutshell isn't it?

;o)

Cheers,  
Kim.

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Deej \[5\]](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 05:29:09 GMT  
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Posted by [Neil](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 07:07:09 GMT  
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Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 09:33:59 GMT  
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Posted by [Kim](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 10:09:44 GMT  
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Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 11:13:34 GMT  
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Deej since you mentioned PowerComputing, there are a few things that should be noted. As I've said, the cloners ate in to Apple's sales. The clones advertised mainly in Mac publications to Mac users, If they had advertised in PC publications and did other forms of advertising to non Mac users they would have grown the market. They didn't, they cherry picked Apple sales. One such famous incident was when PowerComputing was directly competing

with Apple by selling 3000 clones to Apple's long time customer Lockheed Martin, that didn't go over to well. PowerComputing also worked a deal with IBM to get the fastest PowerPC processors before Apple could, this further cost Apple sales.

Steve Jobs went to all the cloners and tried to renegotiate the licensing prices, the cloners wouldn't hear of it, so Apple did not renew the licensing with Mac OS 8. Apple did not pull the licensing. The cloners could still build systems and ship them with Mac OS 7.6 installed, and bundled OS 8, they chose not to. PowerComputing announced after that, that they were going to start building PCs, which I think they did for a short time. In the end, Apple bought out PowerComputing for 100 million dollars in Apple stock. I think that was pretty generous of Apple. I believe it was up to Kahng to take care of his workers from there.

As far as UMAX, they continued on for years building scanners and other products as they did before they made clones.

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 13:15:53 GMT  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [Chris Ludwig](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 14:33:20 GMT

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Hi John,

It does come close to that. Actually 128 is the sweet spot it seemed on the 8 core Xeon I've been testing. But I think that is mostly to do with the Software application being used.

Been rebuilding a customers system that they had built by some non DAW white box type company.

He is using a 5400 chipset board with 2x 5450 CPUs 8 gigs of ram Quadro nvs440 4 head video card, RME Madi card, Sonar 7 64, NI Komplete 5, and Vienna Cube with the 64 plug in for it.

NI stuff is using approx 2.5 gigs and Vienna is using 5 gigs. Sonar is the only thing that is a pain in the setup. Thats mainly from numerous bugs in 7, it's over usability or lack there of. When ever I get mad at something Steinberg does all I have to do is launch Sonar and get reminded of why I use Cubase.:)

Chris

John wrote:

> .03ms? hmmm

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> Chris Ludwig <chrisl@adkproaudio.com> wrote:

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>> Hey Deej,

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>> Deej wrote:

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>>> I'm running Vista with 64GB of RAM a PC running dual quads at 0.03ms latency

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>>> on and I've never had a single crash...

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>> I bet if you were using XP Pro 64 bit you could actually come close to

>> doing just that. But Lil Steve and Billy think it is a better idea that

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>> you us Vista.

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>>> and it never will crash because I

>>> built it and therefore it is perfect.

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>> perfect is boring....

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>>> that shit shits.  
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>>> "rick" <parnell68@hotmail.com> wrote in message  
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>>>> a lovely plan indeed.  
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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 15:12:30 GMT  
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Sounds like Apple made a deal to me that they couldn't handle and shut it down at the earliest opp regardless of the backlash and damages incurred. How are you not seein' that bro?

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Um, they HAD a deal already? One Jobs/Apple had already agreed to.

If indeed Apple couldn't stand the weather of competition in their market, that's what they should've changed. Jacking the price way up after getting an industry dependant doesn't seem all that ethical to me. Just cutting them off at the neck is definitely not when considering they already had a deal.

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Sounds like the classic "join us or be killed or bought out" Microsoft maneuver. You know, kinda like (n).

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 18:33:24 GMT  
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OTOH, Apple has pulled some boneheaded moves along the way. The example with hardware OEMs being one. And their treatment of Be being another.

Also the years wasted trying to get past OS9 before finally bringing in NeXT. However, AFAIK, Apple did not do anything criminal in those cases.

Both companies flirted with ethical impropriety with stock options, and both have changed their policies there. Apple perhaps worse on that one, I think several people left Apple in a legal cloud over that issue.

Whereas I don't think anyone left Microsoft over responsibility for any of their criminal transgressions. AFAIK, at Microsoft no one has taken responsibility, ever, for anything. Microsoft just seems to pay the fines as a cost of doing business while aggressively manipulating the



system to reduce the consequences for their questionable actions.

On the plus side, Microsoft has contributed to making the computer business into a commodity business with downward price pressures. This is beneficial, to a point, but the "Microsoft tax" also adds to the cost, sometimes even for those using, say, Linux. And currently Microsoft is pushing their user base to adopt a new OS that is less robust than their previous version and apparently a step backwards for media producers.

On the plus side, Apple has built a business that pays attention to media producers, from the production side through the distribution side, and for that they deserve some amount of credit from folks like us. And on some of their pro products, hardware and software, the pricing is actually a better deal than other options. OTOH, for some products it's not a better deal, and sometimes Apple's increasing consumer orientation seems a distraction from the pro side.

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But if that's too "nuanced" then yeah, they both suck. ;^)

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Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 18:33:29 GMT  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Chris Ludwig](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 19:02:23 GMT  
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Posted by [TCB](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 20:25:02 GMT  
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Posted by [Deej \[5\]](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 21:27:53 GMT

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 22:55:23 GMT  
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Yes PowerComputing made some great machines, with the help of Apple! PowerComputing also had an advantage over Apple in that they got faster processors from IBM months before Apple did, as I stated.

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 23:01:07 GMT  
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>>>yeah, good thing James is unbiased & doesn't believe in

>>>applying double-standards or anything like that.

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>>>LOL!

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>>>Neil

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>>Yeah, Microsoft never screws anybody.

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>>Apple was ailing because of a bad deal. Apple got a new CEO and had to  
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>>a new direction to survive. MS wasn't ailing when they told system builders

>>that if they put Netscape Navigator on systems instead of IE they would

>pull

>>all MS products from them. MS never threatens or screws anybody, yeah  
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>>No double standards here, I think it's different, Apple did what they had

>>to do to survive. They didn't "pull" the licensing, They just didn't renew

>>the licensing when they had a major upgrade to the OS. The cloners could

>>have stayed in the game, but they would have to pay a higher price for  
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>>OS, boohoo. The cloners weren't going to be able to make a killing on  
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>>sale of clones at Apple's expense anymore. The cloners did not grow the

>>market for the Mac platform, some of the responsibility also falls on them,  
>>they had their chance.  
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>>MS giving IE for free in order to put Netscape out of business. How about  
>>when MS created a proprietary Microsoft version of JAVA that was incompatible  
>>with SUN standards. MS wrote tons of ambiguous lines of code in to their  
>>versions of Office for Mac so it would run slow. MS, always trying to  
control  
>>and damage others. What about MS taking the look and features from Mac  
>OSX  
>>down to aqua icons for Vista? Shouldn't they have to pay for that? It  
>is  
>>a blatant rip off. MS has to copy and rip others off, they have no original  
>>ideas of their own.  
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>>Do you guys like what MS did to Vista? Do you guys like the way Vista  
Works?  
>> Do you AV guys feel like MS Vista is too controlling? Do you like that  
>>MS is kind of insistent that OEM system builders install Vista? In some  
>>cases, if you buy a OEM machine, you have to pay for vista, is that Ok?  
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>>Go in to best buy and tell them you want a machine with Windows XP on it,  
>>they'll tell you you can buy a copy of XP. Do you like all the Vista support?  
>> How's Vista working out for pro audio? Back to the Future with Windows  
>>XP! It's got more holes in it than Swiss cheese, but hey, that's all you  
>>PC guys got!  
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>>How's Mac OSX for audio? Mac OSX Rocks!!!!  
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>>Keep sucking on Vista!  
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Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 23:15:33 GMT  
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Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 22 Feb 2008 23:50:46 GMT

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Aaron,

Gil Amelio made that deal. Apple's board canned Amelio and brought Jobs back to turn the company around, the share holders wanted it. Jobs tried to work with the cloners, it was going to be necessary to raise the licensing cost. The cloners had a sweet deal and were not willing to pay anymore.

OS 8 was a major revision to the OS and was long over due by 1997. Apple did not break any agreements with the cloners, they were licensed for all OS 7 revisions. As I stated, the cloners could have kept creating and building Mac clones, they chose not to. OS 8 and 9 ran fine on the clones. They could have actually continued to build machines up to today for Mac OSX with the open boot ROM. instead, they all got mad and took their ball home.

The ending of the cloning sucked, but it was necessary to Apples survival, and in hind sight it was the right decision. Apple has been prosperous ever since. I was a dealer for all the cloners, it was no fun at the time for me personally. If you don't know the details it looks like it was a raw deal, but there is more to it than that. If the cloners would have advertised more and gained market share, and if they would have negotiated the royalty rate, Apple might not have moved on.

Apple bought out PowerComputing well after the cloning ended, it wasn't a "join us or be killed" thing. Like I said, PowerComputing started in to building PCs after they stopped building Mac clones.

"Aaron Allen" <know-spam@not\_here.dude> wrote:

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>> "Deej" <noway@jose.net> wrote:

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> Um, they HAD a deal already? One Jobs/Apple had already agreed to.  
> If indeed Apple couldn't stand the weather of competition in their  
  
>market, that's what they should've changed. Jacking the price way up after  
  
>getting an industry dependant doesn't seem all that ethical to me. Just  
  
>cutting them off at the neck is definitely not when considering they already  
  
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>> I think that was pretty generous of Apple.  
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> Sounds like the classic "join us or be killed or bought out"  
>Microsoft maneuver. You know, kinda like (n).  
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>I believe it was up to Kahng  
>> to take care of his workers from there.  
>> As far as UMAX, they continued on for years building scanners and other  
  
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>> as they did before they made clones.  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
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But really... whatever. ;o)

Cheers,  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 03:25:22 GMT  
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How about more than one:

- 1) Shake is a \$9900 application in 1999 (\$3900 render only)
- 2) Apple buys it, drops the price a couple of times (OSX version less than other versions), offering free double licenses for users upgrading to OSX.
- 3) Apple discontinues Windows support for it.
- 4) Fast forward to 2003, Shake is still \$2999 for both OSX and Linux.
- 5) Apple drops the OSX version price to \$499. Linux version remains \$2999.

See more here for the price change details and decide for yourself:  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shake\\_\(software\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shake_(software))

Just my opinion, but anytime an app is dropped from \$3k to \$500, selling software as a profitable product isn't the goal.

Next:

- 1) Apple buys Emagic (there's a song in this one somewhere...;-)
- 2) Drops PC support for Logic promptly.
- 3) Slow development ensues...then finally core audio appears
- 4) Apple signs exclusive deal with Apogee for Symphony, Ensemble, etc for Logic/Mac only
- 5) Symphony reports lower latency and better performance than other apps under core audio
- 6) Speculation (no, I can't prove it - yet) is that Apple gave Apogee lower level access to core audio that isn't in the SDK, thereby giving the Apogee/Logic combo a significant edge over Digital Performer, Nuendo/Cubase, RME, MOTU, Digidesign, etc.
- 7) Apple drops the price of Logic to \$500, with additional software/etc thrown in (imho, this is below average market value for a DAW software and most likely a loss leader).
- 8) Why? To sell Macs and Apogee interfaces. Logic is priced too low to be a profit center - it's just a marketing tool now to expand the Mac's position in consumer, prosumer, hobby, and beginner, lower end musician markets, to the detriment of other 3rd party companies also developing for

the platform.

In both cases, Apple is using applications to push their hardware, even though there are competing applications, and the Microsoft argument would suggest that using applications and exclusivity of them, and hardware, is a conflict of interest for an operating system developer, much less a computer builder.

Just my .02 - can't prove it any more than anyone can \*prove\* Microsoft is evil. I don't like MS, but Apple isn't making friends in my end of the pro audio world - just putting this in perspective. Btw, I'm not the only one with this supposition - there are some other well respected audio people in agreement.

Btw - didn't post this to get deeper into an argument - just since you asked for an example, and I had read the same supposition of Apple's move with core audio from another Nuendo user just today, so might as well pass it on here.

I don't hate Apple - but I do hate exclusive deals, and lock outs that do nothing but hurt the consumer by limiting options. I have yet to verify that core audio really is faster with Apogee interfaces, so take that with a grain of salt - Apogee claims they are, of course. Point is, if to get the most out of your Mac for audio, you not only have to buy and Apogee interface (an Apple partner), but Logic as well, and don't have the option of running a MOTU interface, RME, Lynx, M-Audio, etc with any other software, your are sacrificing options.

Sounds like a text book Digidesign move to me, but it's Apple doing the price cuts and exclusive deals to undercut the market and sell more Macs and other Apple-partner products. If there were no Mac support from other companies (MOTU, RME, Lynx, etc), you could call it "their product, their market", but we are comparing operating systems and computers here, so that doesn't stand. It may not be illegal (but I believe it is close), but it is hurting consumers.

Regards,  
Dedric

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [excelav](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 03:36:34 GMT  
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Didn't we just do this and they were just business?

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Apple Ads, speaking of....PC's are cold and harsh and only good at office apps, 'eh? Somebody should tell that to all the video and audio guys that make wonderful art every single day on a windows PC, because they didn't get the memo. I will say that iLife and GarageBand are pretty cool, though not pro of course. I have 2 macs at my avail at work, and several PC's. Frankly, they both tick me off from time to time but the Win boxes see more use and tick me off a whole lot less. Nothing like plugging in a KVM and having your Mac reach an unrecoverable error and forced shutdown because it doesn't like the KVM. Every time. But not being the latest OS I can't get support for it w/o buying some more "apple care", and Belkin had no idea what would cause it, nor my vendor. I had been considering a Mini for personal use (with boot camp of course), but that kinda gotcha rather cinched the "think I'll pass for now" for me. MacOS-x 10.29 on dual procs, and it's a foot prop under my desk now. At least it doesn't crash that way and it's more ergonomic for my peds, heh... I get a warm fuzzy and smirk when my feet hit it :>

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"TCB" <nobody@ishere.com> wrote in message news:47bf218e\$1@linux... >=20

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Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 06:12:25 GMT  
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I know your message is for James but I feel like jumping in... :^)

Aaron Allen wrote:

> We'll just have to disagree about it I guess. I still like ya and I  
> think you're a cool dude, just a bit misguided :) I find nothing ethical  
> in the things I've posted about so far and you could post the same kind  
> of things about MS and we'd see that together. But not the mighty blue  
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> pushed on the public\* (\*).\*  
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> It ain't like I'm saying MS is ethical - they're not, either - but the  
> only thing keeping Apple from being the same ugly foul hairy beast is  
> financial firepower.

Interesting, so you're saying that any corporation with a lot of money  
is going to be unethical and corrupt? If so, that would explain a lot...

> Gates lies about how great Vista is. It's a turd.

Apparently so.

> Jobs lied about how great Motorola chips were. They were turds.

Heh. Well, although there WERE hyped for sure, they were/are hardly

turds, Aaron. I'm still running a G4 laptop and a dual G5 desktop.

The G4 laptop runs a lot of apps just fine, I use it for article writing, research, and 2D animation work. Not so much for music and video because I have the G5, although my wife uses a slightly newer G4 laptop to completely run her business and do voiceover production. My laptop has a broken hinge, so it's going to be replaced when the next MacBook Pro update comes out (I'm holding out for Penryn).

The G5 still rocks in a big way, and even though there are faster machines I'm not in a big hurry to replace it. It still does what I bought it to do, and does it well. I recently added more RAM to it bringing it to 4.5GB, and it has room for up to 8. I also have more than 2 terrabytes of HD space hanging off of it. The expandability has been great.

Granted, about a month after my G5 came out there were faster Intel/Athlon chips. But it didn't make my G5 quit pulling its weight around here. :^)

- > Gates
- > forces you as a business to buy office/OS's through each planned
- > obsolescence upgrade.

If you buy into it. Or you could use Open Office, which is what I do (the NeoOffice version on OSX).

- > Jobs tells you to think you're safe from virii as
- > an ad campaign and tells you how Mac runs office 'just as well as a PC'.
- > but fails to mention it's OLD version of office, years old in fact.

Sometimes the Mac version of Office has been ahead, sometimes the MSWindows version. Doesn't matter to me because I'm not on that treadmill.

- > There are 60 known virii in the wild for Mac, but you won't hear about
- > that from Jobs/Apple.

Ooh. 60. Wow. That's what, 1/1000th the amount on MSWindows? ;^)

Haven't seen any here.

- > Apple Ads, speaking of....PC's are cold and harsh and only good at
- > office apps, 'eh?

Clearly hyperbole. Funny, though.

- > Somebody should tell that to all the video and audio
- > guys that make wonderful art every single day on a windows PC, because
- > they didn't get the memo.

Indeed.

- > I will say that iLife and GarageBand are
- > pretty cool, though not pro of course.

Yep, GarageBand is cool being for free with the machine, but far short of Logic.

- > I have 2 macs at my avail at
- > work, and several PC's. Frankly, they both tick me off from time to time
- > but the Win boxes see more use and tick me off a whole lot less.

From what you said below, it sounds like your Macs are pretty old and not nearly up to date. OSX 10.29? Get 10.3 at least. I'm on 10.4, it's pretty solid. 10.5 is sitting here, waiting to be installed when the decks clear enough to get around to it.

- > Nothing
- > like plugging in a KVM and having your Mac reach an unrecoverable error
- > and forced shutdown because it doesn't like the KVM. Every time. But not
- > being the latest OS I can't get support for it w/o buying some more
- > "apple care", and Belkin had no idea what would cause it, nor my vendor.

Bummer.

- > I had been considering a Mini for personal use (with boot camp of
- > course), but that kinda gotcha rather cinched the "think I'll pass for
- > now" for me. MacOS-x 10.29 on dual procs, and it's a foot prop under my
- > desk now. At least it doesn't crash that way and it's more ergonomic for
- > my peds, heh... I get a warm fuzzy and smirk when my feet hit it :>

I'll be happy to store it for you. Could probably put it to good use. The quicksilvers were pretty loud, though. The G5 is much, much quieter, and the current Intel boxes are also pretty quiet.

- > \*(\*)\* Apple is so much faster, Apple is so much more interesting, Apple

> is so much better at.... er, ....

Those whacky marketing types...

> hey, it's the new and improved Apple

> now with INTEL hardware (IE, that's called a PC Steve-O, and no amount

> of backpeddling will cover the fact that you were lying through your

> teeth about how much faster Motorola's I'd-rather-be-in-a-cell-phone

> chips were over INTEL)

For its time the G4 didn't suck. The G5 is still a mighty chip around here. Keep in mind that the current core 2 duo stuff was not out when Jobs announced the switch. He switched for the then upcoming processor road map, which was more attractive from Intel at the time than from IBM. Turned out to be an OK choice I think, although I have yet to get one of the Intel Macs.

> and it's so much better than , uh.. running

> windows (can't say PC anymore at this point)!

I think you could always say PC. "Personal computer" fits any of these boxes.

> Er, wait.. now you can run

> Windows on your Apple! (which I don't have a problem with, in fact I

> applaud that one but don't you think that's rather odd for Apple to say

> bad windows, bad windows.. hey, you can now run windows?)

Since many people are stuck with using MSWindows for specific software, company policy, etc., it's not so odd for Apple to market to them. Shocking, maybe. Clever, actually.

> I also give

> major points to that dually quicksilver being WAY cleanly designed

> inside. Superb visual build inside the box. Too bad it's an ergonomic

> foot device now.

Having had both, the G5s are even nicer - with pretty much the same external case as for the octocore Intel Macs today, although the new versions have four HD slots and support up to 32GB RAM.

> You talked about MS stealing the macOS software GUI. Ok, where did Apple

> get their code base from for OS-X? Can't see the worm in both apples,

> 'eh? <-yes, that was bad pun #2.... but I am a punny guy!>

The code base for OSX was derived largely from NeXT, the company Steve Jobs started after been booted out of Apple. I used to work for a NeXT developer doing documentation and testing. Had a cool NeXT cube. Good times!

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I haven't fallen for iPods or iPhones. Yet anyway.

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Having spent some time working in development environments on multiple platforms (not just Apple and Microsoft), I think both of those flavors of koolaid taste odd. But overall, for the reasons I spelled out in my other post, Microsoft's koolaid is worse. Apple has actually gotten better than they were in the 80s/90s, IMO. I was not a fan of OS9 and before.

Cheers,  
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A lot of this is speculation, not fact. I will say over the years many companies dropped support for the Mac platform, one example was when Parsons dropped Quick Books for Mac, luckily we got that one back. Mac users have had to deal with this for years.

Why should Apple develop for another platform when it does not benefit them?

They are trying to grow the Mac market not the PC market! I'll remind you that they offered PC users special pricing, including on hardware. PC users were not left out in the cold. If you haven't noticed, Apple unlike MS, sells integrated hardware and software, they have a different business model.

Yes, they use Hardware and software to push each other.

By the way, if you haven't heard, anti trust cases were brought against Microsoft, these cases were adjudicated and Microsoft was found guilty. Thanks to Bush

and friends, MS has gotten a slap on the wrist instead of a break up. MS is back to their old tricks.

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Think what you want!

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>most likely a loss leader).

>8) Why? To sell Macs and Apogee interfaces. Logic is priced too low to  
be  
>a profit center - it's just a marketing tool now to expand the Mac's  
>position in consumer, prosumer, hobby, and beginner, lower end musician  
>markets, to the detriment of other 3rd party companies also developing for  
>the platform.

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>though there are competing applications, and the Microsoft argument would  
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When Apple bought Logic, they were struggling to get audio apps moved over to the then new operating system, OSX. This was a big transition period for Apple, a risky period and a critical time to build critical mass.

Had they not bought Logic it may have taken much longer to get decent audio apps onto OSX because on the one hand, Mac developers and users were still clinging to OS9. On the other hand, audio development was starting to pick up on MSWindows. Maybe it was a smart move on Apple's part to get the ball rolling.

After the more recent price drop for Logic Studio, it still costs more than Digital Performer, although I agree that the bundled synths make Logic a very good deal right now, and I can see how some companies may be threatened by that.

BTW, I use Logic with a MOTU interface. No one is forcing me to buy the Apogee.

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I can cop that so long as you're willing to cop that it's ok, for example, for M\$ to do the same with, say Office, just for example.

Would that be OK?

Cheers,  
Kim.

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 08:28:54 GMT  
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Hey Gibson bought opcode and dropped PC development, what do you think about that? Hey where's the Mac versions of Cakewalk, sonar, Audition, Acid, Vegas, Sound forge, etc? What about the slow development of Steinberg products for Mac? Always a second class citizen.

Did you ever notice that PT plugins cost more than native or VST? Hmmmm...I wonder why that is???

One other thing I believe the apogee latency thing has to do with the DSP hardware on the apogee cards, not a special deal??? Not the same hardware.

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Aaron I think your Ok too. Yes we do disagree on some things. I believe

that the G4 was the diesel engine of processors, and a heavy lifter in it's time. The G4 got long in the tooth, Motorola screwed apple around for a long time getting out faster processors. It was pay back time. It was a good thing in the end because Apple had to put out multi processor machines and develop the OS to keep up.

IBM also screwed Apple around with the G5, they promised Apple 3 GHz Processors with in a year. Jobs announced it at MacWorld, a year later he had to face Mac users, I'm sure it was embarrassing. After all the IBM hoopla about the new plant, the new processor and their relation ship with Apple, they gave a couple of press releases were they said Apple was insignificant to their business. When you publicly insult your customer, and you don't meet your obligations, it shouldn't be a surprise when they go to your competitor. That's what Apple did. IBM could not get out faster processors on time.

I think you and DeeJ should both send me you old Mac G4s, I'll even give you guys something for them if they are running.

"Aaron Allen" <know-spam@not\_here.dude> wrote:

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>It ain't like I'm saying MS is ethical - they're not, either - but the =  
>only thing keeping Apple from being the same ugly foul hairy beast is =  
>financial firepower. Gates lies about how great Vista is. It's a turd. =  
>Jobs lied about how great Motorola chips were. They were turds. Gates =  
>forces you as a business to buy office/OS's through each planned =  
>obsolescence upgrade. Jobs tells you to think you're safe from virii as =  
>an ad campaign and tells you how Mac runs office 'just as well as a PC'.

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>but fails to mention it's OLD version of office, years old in fact. =  
>There are 60 known virii in the wild for Mac, but you won't hear about =  
>that from Jobs/Apple. =20

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>Apple Ads, speaking of....PC's are cold and harsh and only good at =  
>office apps, 'eh? Somebody should tell that to all the video and audio =  
>guys that make wonderful art every single day on a windows PC, because =  
>they didn't get the memo. I will say that iLife and GarageBand are =



>pretty cool, though not pro of course. I have 2 macs at my avail at =  
>work, and several PC's. Frankly, they both tick me off from time to time  
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>but the Win boxes see more use and tick me off a whole lot less. Nothing  
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>like plugging in a KVM and having your Mac reach an unrecoverable error  
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>and forced shutdown because it doesn't like the KVM. Every time. But not  
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>being the latest OS I can't get support for it w/o buying some more =  
>"apple care", and Belkin had no idea what would cause it, nor my vendor.  
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> I had been considering a Mini for personal use (with boot camp of =  
>course), but that kinda gotcha rather cinched the "think I'll pass for =  
>now" for me. MacOS-x 10.29 on dual procs, and it's a foot prop under my  
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>desk now. At least it doesn't crash that way and it's more ergonomic for  
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>my peds, heh... I get a warm fuzzy and smirk when my feet hit it :>  
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>(\*) Apple is so much faster, Apple is so much more interesting, Apple is  
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>so much better at.... er, .... hey, it's the new and improved Apple now  
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>with INTEL hardware (IE, that's called a PC Steve-O, and no amount of =  
>backpeddling will cover the fact that you were lying through your teeth  
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>about how much faster Motorola's I'd-rather-be-in-a-cell-phone chips =  
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>water, no drinky. You're probably thinking the same thing about the =  
>majority here. In all seriousness, I'm glad you have enjoyed your =  
>relationships with Mac, I cannot report the same, unfortunately. I =

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>I also thought that the Cinema Display was about the most beautiful =  
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>anything, it's really not meant that way. I haven't forgotten when I had  
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>into the  
>> ever welcoming arms of Redmond. I couldn't afford Apple hardware, but  
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>I could  
>> afford a Power 603e machine that was my first experience with computer  
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>audio.  
>> Less than a year after that Apple shut down the cloners and I =  
>realized, 'Hey,  
>> these are greedy corporate bastards just like Microsoft. And Windows =  
>hardware  
>> is cheap and I can build my own.' Which lead me to a 400 Mhz Celeron +  
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>Paris,  
>> and the rest is (grim, money losing, book publishing) history.=20  
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>> Your story is one version. Another is that Power was a smart, =  
>talented, agile  
>> hardware vendor who was beating the daylights out of Apple because =  
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>>>>How about the time the pulled the OS licensing from PowerComputing =  
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>>>Deej since you mentioned PowerComputing,there are a few things that =  
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>clones  
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>>>in PC publications and did other forms of advertising to non Mac users  
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>they  
>>>would have grown the market. They didn't, they cherry picked Apple =  
>sales.  
>>> One such famous incident was when PowerComputing was directly =  
>competing  
>>>with Apple by selling 3000 clones to Apple's long time customer =  
>Lockheed  
>>>Martin, that didn't go over to well. PowerComputing also worked a =  
>deal  
>> with  
>>>IBM to get the fastest PowerPC processors before Apple could, this =  
>further  
>>>cost Apple sales.  
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>>>>Steve Jobs went to all the cloners and tried to renegotiate the =  
>licensing  
>>>prices, the cloners wouldn't hear of it, so Apple did not renew the =  
>licensing  
>>>with Mac OS 8. Apple did not pull the licensing. The cloners could =  
>still  
>>>build systems and ship them with Mac OS 7.6 installed, and bundled OS

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"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message  
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> You guys are going to love this. I'm thinking about moving a Paris system  
> over to a PC, mainly because of Mike's plugins. Aaron, there is something  
> you can do for me, you can help me out when I switch a Paris system over  
> to my PC, if your up for it?

You're on.. whatcha' got in mind bro?

AA

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Nah, it's pretty much open field man. Jump on in!

"Jamie K" <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote in message news:47bfbc71@linux...

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> I know your message is for James but I feel like jumping in... :^)  
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> Aaron Allen wrote:  
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>> financial firepower.  
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> Interesting, so you're saying that any corporation with a lot of money is  
> going to be unethical and corrupt? If so, that would explain a lot...

No, I'm saying that those two particular corp's have shown that money 'n' power is around the top of their list and they'll absolutely abuse it for more money 'n' power. Greed, money and power aren't necessarily hand in hand, but admittedly more often they are than not. Private sector, gov't or 3rd world regimes..... it's human trait that those who want to rise to power get soaked in it and want more. I don't want that kind of power, therefore I do not seek it. Those who do, will.

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>> Gates lies about how great Vista is. It's a turd.  
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> Apparently so.  
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>> Jobs lied about how great Motorola chips were. They were turds.  
>  
> Heh. Well, although there WERE hyped for sure, they were/are hardly turds,  
> Aaron. I'm still running a G4 laptop and a dual G5 desktop.

No it's a lie. That's not ethical. There's no 'hype' or grey area here, it's a flat out lie perpetuated by Apple.  
I have everything from a 1.2 up to my newest aquisition Quad Core here (unless you count my laptops too, then it starts with a PIII/1.0). I have roughly 10 computers here. They all still work, and do what I built them to do and well. . I'm typing this post on an old athlon2800 that still kicks ass every single day for me. It's been on every single day for 4 years. Zero failures. Home rolled from parts and leftovers and upgrades. It renders video, it has multitrack software and a boatload of office apps to boot. Did I mention, zero failures? (now I'm tempting the computer Gods to kill it, aren't I ahahah?)

>  
> The G4 laptop runs a lot of apps just fine, I use it for article writing,  
> research, and 2D animation work.

Shoot Jamie, I've got an old Athlon 1.2 and a 1.4 that'll do all that (and more.. ) and I think both are older than your G4. And, I can still get parts for them (as if I wanted to, but that's not my point)..... will Apple still sell you G4/Motorola parts if something dies, without raking your over the coals if at all (Also or course, as if you wanted to put more money in that rather than shiny'n'new) ?

>Not so much for music and video because I have the G5, although my wife  
>uses a slightly newer G4 laptop to completely run her business and do  
>voiceover production. My laptop has a broken hinge, so it's going to be  
>replaced when the next MacBook Pro update comes out (I'm holding out for

>Penryn).

I'm curious, platform agnostically speaking... why a laptop? Those are notoriously more expensive, less empowered and have yesterday's technologies in them not to mention the bus length / speed being slower.

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> The G5 still rocks in a big way, and even though there are faster machines  
> I'm not in a big hurry to replace it. It still does what I bought it to  
> do, and does it well. I recently added more RAM to it bringing it to  
> 4.5GB, and it has room for up to 8. I also have more than 2 terrabytes of  
> HD space hanging off of it. The expandability has been great.

No G5 here, and no interest in one to be honest. I got plenty of the G3's and G4's and I didn't like it :) There's an old saying, Fool me once shame on you, fool me twice shame on me.

I can't talk much details about it, but suffice to say when time to spec some video edit systems for a certain employer I told them 8 Mac towers with at least Quad's in them. And 8 licenses of XP w/Bootcamp to go with 'em :)

>  
> Granted, about a month after my G5 came out there were faster Intel/Athlon  
> chips. But it didn't make my G5 quit pulling its weight around here. :^)

Nah, new is always just a day away and I've learned that the next upgrade just isn't necessary. I kinda like the whole stability thing and cutting edge doesn't pay a lot of attention to that 'minor' detail. I finally bought myself a quad core a few days ago though and hopefully all the parts will be here next week. It oughta sch-a-weet. I'm pretty sure of this - the equivalent of what I bought would be at least 3x the price if it'd been an Apple product. Q6600, 250 GB sata, 400 GB sata, 2 GB ram, DVD+-Dual Layer drive, TI chipset IEEE1394, 6 USB, legacy P/S2 should I need it, built in dual head graphics.... rig ran me about \$700. Now THAT is value dude.

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>> Gates forces you as a business to buy office/OS's through each planned  
>> obsolescence upgrade.

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> If you buy into it. Or you could use Open Office, which is what I do (the  
> NeoOffice version on OSX).

>

as do I. I'm not paying that kind of stupid money to Bill & company - but this is a thread about vista sucking turned into a thread about mac being more ethical than MS. Sorry, I don't buy that.

>

>> Jobs tells you to think you're safe from virii as an ad campaign and  
>> tells you how Mac runs office 'just as well as a PC'. but fails to  
>> mention it's OLD version of office, years old in fact.  
>  
> Sometimes the Mac version of Office has been ahead, sometimes the  
> MSWindows version. Doesn't matter to me because I'm not on that treadmill.

Dude... office 2004 is more than a little behind don'cha think? That'd be a  
4 year old product. Most computers don't live that long.

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>> There are 60 known virii in the wild for Mac, but you won't hear about  
>> that from Jobs/Apple.  
>  
> Ooh. 60. Wow. That's what, 1/1000th the amount on MSWindows? ;^)  
>  
> Haven't seen any here.

Which is what makes it so dangerous. Mac folks think they're insulated  
completely and they are NOT. Do you have phishing/pharming protection?  
That's another huge Mac misconception. For Jobs & company to mislead their  
users into that situation just to try to make Windows look bad is NOT  
ethical.

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>  
>> Apple Ads, speaking of....PC's are cold and harsh and only good at office  
>> apps, 'eh?  
>  
> Clearly hyperbole. Funny, though.

No, clearly a lie. I find humor in the commercials as well. But a lie is a  
lie, ainnit?

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>> Somebody should tell that to all the video and audio guys that make  
>> wonderful art every single day on a windows PC, because they didn't get  
>> the memo.  
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> Indeed.  
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>> I will say that iLife and GarageBand are pretty cool, though not pro of  
>> course.  
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> Yep, GarageBand is cool being for free with the machine, but far short of  
> Logic.  
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>> I have 2 macs at my avail at work, and several PC's. Frankly, they both  
>> tick me off from time to time but the Win boxes see more use and tick me  
>> off a whole lot less.  
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> From what you said below, it sounds like your Macs are pretty old and not  
> nearly up to date. OSX 10.29? Get 10.3 at least. I'm on 10.4, it's pretty  
> solid. 10.5 is sitting here, waiting to be installed when the decks clear  
> enough to get around to it.

10.3, correct me if I'm wrong, is another paid upgrade. For a machine I  
won't use over stability problems - no thanks.  
XP service pack 1, 2 and the coming 3 are ALL FREE. And make no mistake,  
those are just as much an overhaul as the paid for upgrade Apple wants to  
soak you for.  
That sound ethical to you guys?

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>> Nothing like plugging in a KVM and having your Mac reach an unrecoverable  
>> error and forced shutdown because it doesn't like the KVM. Every time.  
>> But not being the latest OS I can't get support for it w/o buying some  
>> more "apple care", and Belkin had no idea what would cause it, nor my  
>> vendor.  
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> Bummer.

Yeah, I was totally stoked that the G4 duallie liked my Dell keyboard/mouse  
just fine... but I have dual monitors at my day gig and having a 3rd in my  
limited desk space just ain't in the plan. So I bought a decent KVM that  
every PC, even 5 year old ones, seem to like just fine. Not the Mac, it goes  
into some corrupted  
we're-shutting-down-don't-care-if-you-have-saved-your-work mode within 5  
minutes or less. Total drag. I even had that machine playing somewhat nice  
with my MS server 2k3. Oh well, foot prop now.

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>> course), but that kinda gotcha rather cinched the "think I'll pass for  
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>> desk now. At least it doesn't crash that way and it's more ergonomic for  
>> my peds, heh... I get a warm fuzzy and smirk when my feet hit it :>  
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> I'll be happy to store it for you. Could probably put it to good use. The

> quicksilvers were pretty loud, though. The G5 is much, much quieter, and  
> the current Intel boxes are also pretty quiet.

Yeah, Hoover's got nothing on this box (dam or vacuum cleaner, LOL)

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>> \*(\*)\* Apple is so much faster, Apple is so much more interesting, Apple  
>> is so much better at.... er, ....  
>  
> Those whacky marketing types...

.....are lying. On Apple's behalf, and on Apple's dime. Funny yes, honest no.  
Not Ethical.

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>> called a PC Steve-O, and no amount of backpeddling will cover the fact  
>> that you were lying through your teeth about how much faster Motorola's  
>> I'd-rather-be-in-a-cell-phone chips were over INTEL)  
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> For its time the G4 didn't suck. The G5 is still a mighty chip around  
> here. Keep in mind that the current core 2 duo stuff was not out when Jobs  
> announced the switch. He switched for the then upcoming processor road  
> map, which was more attractive from Intel at the time than from IBM.  
> Turned out to be an OK choice I think, although I have yet to get one of  
> the Intel Macs.

Ditto, but I hear great things about Intel Mac boxes. And frankly, I think  
he made a huge mistake not going with AMD.  
However, back on topic: is Apple an ethical company..... :)

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>> and it's so much better than , uh.. running windows (can't say PC anymore  
>> at this point)!  
>  
> I think you could always say PC. "Personal computer" fits any of these  
> boxes.

Then why are the Apple ads saying \*hi, I'm a PC... and hi, I'm a Mac\* ??  
Apple's making that distinction, not me.

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>> Er, wait.. now you can run Windows on your Apple! (which I don't have a  
>> problem with, in fact I applaud that one but don't you think that's  
>> rather odd for Apple to say bad windows, bad windows.. hey, you can now



>> run windows?)

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> Since many people are stuck with using MSWindows for specific software,  
> company policy, etc., it's not so odd for Apple to market to them.  
> Shocking, maybe. Clever, actually.

I like the choice, as stated earlier I spec'd apple boxes with an extra OS license of XP for each 10.5 OS box and Boot Camp.

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>> I also give major points to that dually quicksilver being WAY cleanly  
>> designed inside. Superb visual build inside the box. Too bad it's an  
>> ergonomic foot device now.

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> Having had both, the G5s are even nicer - with pretty much the same  
> external case as for the octocore Intel Macs today, although the new  
> versions have four HD slots and support up to 32GB RAM.

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>> You talked about MS stealing the macOS software GUI. Ok, where did Apple  
>> get their code base from for OS-X? Can't see the worm in both apples,  
>> 'eh? <-yes, that was bad pun #2.... but I am a punny guy!>

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> The code base for OSX was derived largely from NeXT, the company Steve  
> Jobs started after been booted out of Apple. I used to work for a NeXT  
> developer doing documentation and testing. Had a cool NeXT cube. Good  
> times!

So, you're saying it is not BSD? Interesting.....

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>> They screwed you as a clone seller even and still you deny. Horse, water,  
>> no drinky. You're probably thinking the same thing about the majority  
>> here. In all seriousness, I'm glad you have enjoyed your relationships  
>> with Mac, I cannot report the same, unfortunately. I absolutely adore my  
>> IPOD though, and although iPhone is tre' cool, it's not cutting it with  
>> me on the tech end so it's off the list of 'to buy'.

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> I haven't fallen for iPods or iPhones. Yet anyway.

I bet you will. IPOD's rock, but I would steer clear of the cheap seats - like anything else in life. I think, however, that I will not buy another movie from them because I don't like being locked out of being able to make a DVD for backup/viewing outside my computer. That sucks. and iTUNES has turned into a fat piece of bloated code IMO as well. I'm

about to jump to Media Monkey I think.

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>> I also thought that the Cinema Display was about the most beautiful display ever as far back as 4~5 years ago. on the overall though, I didn't like Apple computer kool-aid any better than MS's kool-aid.

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> Having spent some time working in development environments on multiple platforms (not just Apple and Microsoft), I think both of those flavors of koolaid taste odd. But overall, for the reasons I spelled out in my other post, Microsoft's koolaid is worse. Apple has actually gotten better than they were in the 80s/90s, IMO. I was not a fan of OS9 and before.

I didn't dig ANY os that could crash with unprotected memory. BAD juju man. Glad they got that one dealt with.

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> Cheers,

> -Jamie

> [www.JamieKrutz.com](http://www.JamieKrutz.com)

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>> You're ok in my book man, so don't take any of this all personal or anything, it's really not meant that way. I haven't forgotten when I had a problem with a Mac you are the first and only dude offered and followed through to help me out. Some day I'll get a chance to repay in kind.

>> AA

>> "TCB" <nobody@ishere.com <mailto:nobody@ishere.com>> wrote in message >> news:47bf218e\$1@linux...

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>> > For the record, it was what Apple did to the cloners that drove me into the

>> > ever welcoming arms of Redmond. I couldn't afford Apple hardware, but I could

>> > afford a Power 603e machine that was my first experience with computer audio.

>> > Less than a year after that Apple shut down the cloners and I realized, 'Hey,

>> > these are greedy corporate bastards just like Microsoft. And Windows hardware

>> > is cheap and I can build my own.' Which lead me to a 400 Mhz Celeron + Paris,

>> > and the rest is (grim, money losing, book publishing) history.

>> >

>> > Your story is one version. Another is that Power was a smart, talented, agile

>> > hardware vendor who was beating the daylights out of Apple because

>> they were  
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> machines  
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Well, I see what you are saying and maybe that's the small edge shown on  
some apps with OSX and XP on the same machine - assuming, that is it was  
transferrable code from the Motorola/IBM thing over to Intel chips. I'm not

sure I'd comfortably make that assumption though.

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> IBM also screwed Apple around with the G5, they promised Apple 3 GHz  
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> meet  
> your obligations, it shouldn't be a surprise when they go to your  
> competitor.  
> That's what Apple did. IBM could not get out faster processors on time.

AMD probably would have. I still don't get it why they didn't partner up with AMD unless AMD didn't want their business because Dell would've flipped out or Jobs overbearing "my vision, my way" attitude scared them? I remember the rumors flying about that partnership then the phone line went completely dead.

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> you guys something for them if they are running.

Both belong to my day gig, or I'd be happy to unload. They both work fine if you don't count the old versions of Office I'm forced to contend with or the KVM issue. I keep my things in pristine shape as a general rule, but took exception to the tower once that nonsense started. Laptop 10.4 has nary a scratch on it, it's just horridly slow IMO and the battery is getting kind of long in tooth..

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 16:00:27 GMT

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Aaron Allen wrote:

> "Jamie K" <Meta@Dimensional.com> wrote in message news:47bfbc71@linux...

>> Interesting, so you're saying that any corporation with a lot of money is  
>> going to be unethical and corrupt? If so, that would explain a lot...

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> No, I'm saying that those two particular corp's have shown that money 'n'  
> power is around the top of their list and they'll absolutely abuse it for  
> more money 'n' power. Greed, money and power aren't necessarily hand in  
> hand, but admittedly more often they are than not. Private sector, gov't or  
> 3rd world regimes..... it's human trait that those who want to rise to power  
> get soaked in it and want more. I don't want that kind of power, therefore I  
> do not seek it. Those who do, will.

If I can help, you can send any extra money here and I'll put it to good use.

>>> Jobs lied about how great Motorola chips were. They were turds.

>> Heh. Well, although there WERE hyped for sure, they were/are hardly turds,

>> Aaron. I'm still running a G4 laptop and a dual G5 desktop.

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> No it's a lie. That's not ethical. There's no 'hype' or grey area here, it's  
> a flat out lie perpetuated by Apple.

Your characterization of the G4 and G5 chips as "turds" is itself hyperbole. That's an exaggeration when describing working and reasonably fast chips, among the fastest when they first shipped.

In Apple's case, I call their claims hype because while the G5 WAS the fastest chip when it came out, that distinction lasted only a few weeks before it was passed again, overall, by Intel/Athlon. Apple's marketing department is legendary for using very specific tests to "prove" a speed advantage, such as individual Photoshop filters that worked better under Altivec, even if other tests didn't compare so well. I'll grant you that a lot of companies exaggerate in their advertising claims. But it's easy enough to check these days with a visit to tech sites for more objective test results.

> I have everything from a 1.2 up to my newest aquisition Quad Core here  
> (unless you count my laptops too, then it starts with a PIII/1.0). I have  
> roughly 10 computers here. They all still work, and do what I built them to  
> do and well. .

Great. They aren't "turds" then. :^)

> I'm typing this post on an old athlon2800 that still kicks  
> ass every single day for me. It's been on every single day for 4 years. Zero  
> failures. Home rolled from parts and leftovers and upgrades. It renders  
> video, it has multitrack software and a boatload of office apps to boot. Did  
> I mention, zero failures? (now I'm tempting the computer Gods to kill it,  
> aren't I ahahah?)

Now you've done it! ;^)

>> The G4 laptop runs a lot of apps just fine, I use it for article writing,  
>> research, and 2D animation work.

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> Shoot Jamie, I've got an old Athlon 1.2 and a 1.4 that'll do all that (and  
> more.. ) and I think both are older than your G4. And, I can still get parts  
> for them (as if I wanted to, but that's not my point)..... will Apple still  
> sell you G4/Motorola parts if something dies, without raking your over the  
> coals if at all (Also or course, as if you wanted to put more money in that  
> rather than shiny'n'new) ?

I dunno, probably (isn't there some law about supporting products for a certain number of years?) but we're digressing now. My laptop is old, it has a G4, and it still works fine (other than the hinge, which, BTW, I consider a design flaw, the newer Macbooks/pros have a more rugged hinge design). The only thing I've replaced is the battery, which was easily available and gave it new life while I await the next Macbook Pro model.

>> Not so much for music and video because I have the G5, although my wife  
>> uses a slightly newer G4 laptop to completely run her business and do  
>> voiceover production. My laptop has a broken hinge, so it's going to be  
>> replaced when the next MacBook Pro update comes out (I'm holding out for  
>> Penryn).

>  
> I'm curious, platform agnostically speaking... why a laptop? Those are  
> notoriously more expensive, less empowered and have yesterday's technologies  
> in them not to mention the bus length / speed being slower.

The reason laptops are becoming more popular is that they are portable. And for most tasks they are fast enough. The latest Macbooks/Pros are probably faster than my G5 at most tasks.

In my wife's case, she moves her computer around quite a bit. It's very convenient for her. The G4 is still fast enough for what she does.

In my case I have both, and when I get my next laptop it will share



duties with the G5, especially animation rendering. (Although the OctoMac is VERY tempting for that.)

>> The G5 still rocks in a big way, and even though there are faster machines  
>> I'm not in a big hurry to replace it. It still does what I bought it to  
>> do, and does it well. I recently added more RAM to it bringing it to  
>> 4.5GB, and it has room for up to 8. I also have more than 2 terrabytes of  
>> HD space hanging off of it. The expandability has been great.  
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> No G5 here, and no interest in one to be honest. I got plenty of the G3's  
> and G4's and I didn't like it :) There's an old saying, Fool me once shame  
> on you, fool me twice shame on me.

Having moved up from a dual G4 to a dual G5 I can share that you stopped one model too soon. Essentially, you fooled yourself without trying by using your G3/G4 experiences to discount the G5. The G5 is a BIG step up.

> I can't talk much details about it, but suffice to say when time to spec  
> some video edit systems for a certain employer I told them 8 Mac towers with  
> at least Quad's in them. And 8 licenses of XP w/Bootcamp to go with 'em :)

Apparently that works great if there's some MSWindows software you still need to run. Not such an odd thing after all, that MSWindows support, eh? At least for people in your situation. And there are a lot of people in your situation.

>> Granted, about a month after my G5 came out there were faster Intel/Athlon  
>> chips. But it didn't make my G5 quit pulling its weight around here. :^)  
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> Nah, new is always just a day away and I've learned that the next upgrade  
> just isn't necessary.

Yep. If what you buy does what you bought it for it's less likely to become instantly obsolete.

> I kinda like the whole stability thing and cutting  
> edge doesn't pay a lot of attention to that 'minor' detail. I finally bought  
> myself a quad core a few days ago though and hopefully all the parts will be  
> here next week. It oughta scha-weet. I'm pretty sure of this - the  
> equivalent of what I bought would be at least 3x the price if it'd been an  
> Apple product. Q6600, 250 GB sata, 400 GB sata, 2 GB ram, DVD+-Dual Layer  
> drive, TI chipset IEEE1394, 6 USB, legacy P/S2 should I need it, built in  
> dual head graphics.... rig ran me about \$700. Now THAT is value dude.

Enjoy!

>>> Gates forces you as a business to buy office/OS's through each planned  
>>> obsolescence upgrade.

>> If you buy into it. Or you could use Open Office, which is what I do (the  
>> NeoOffice version on OSX).

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> as do I. I'm not paying that kind of stupid money to Bill & company - but  
> this is a thread about vista sucking turned into a thread about mac being  
> more ethical than MS. Sorry, I don't buy that.

That's because you're ignoring the actual criminal record Microsoft has  
built up. If you step back and consider the bigger picture, you might  
change your view.

I can criticize them both for deeds done. But on the scales of justice,  
Microsoft's past weighs heavier, based on actual criminal prosecution  
(and what was prosecuted was likely just the tip of the iceberg).

>>> Jobs tells you to think you're safe from virii as an ad campaign and

>>> tells you how Mac runs office 'just as well as a PC'. but fails to

>>> mention it's OLD version of office, years old in fact.

>> Sometimes the Mac version of Office has been ahead, sometimes the

>> MSWindows version. Doesn't matter to me because I'm not on that treadmill.

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> Dude... office 2004 is more than a little behind don'cha think? That'd be a

> 4 year old product. Most computers don't live that long.

Mine do. :^)

The Mac version was ahead when it came out, right? It's just a word  
processor/spreadsheet/presentation, what's lacking that the MSWindows  
version has? It'll be ahead again when the next update comes out, right?

Any day now...

I admit that I don't follow that product line closely since I don't want  
or need it.

>>> There are 60 known virii in the wild for Mac, but you won't hear about  
>>> that from Jobs/Apple.

>> Ooh. 60. Wow. That's what, 1/1000th the amount on MSWindows? ;^)

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>> Haven't seen any here.

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> Which is what makes it so dangerous. Mac folks think they're insulated

> completely and they are NOT. Do you have phishing/pharming protection?

Yep, common sense.

> That's another huge Mac misconception. For Jobs & company to mislead their  
> users into that situation just to try to make Windows look bad is NOT  
> ethical.

Whether you think OSX is more secure or just less likely to be hacked,  
it does have a security advantage.

>>> Apple Ads, speaking of....PC's are cold and harsh and only good at office

>>> apps, 'eh?

>> Clearly hyperbole. Funny, though.

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> No, clearly a lie. I find humor in the commercials as well. But a lie is a

> lie, ainnit?

That's a lie. ;^)

Advertising is built on the same sandy foundation as political  
blathering. Shady logic and exaggeration. Caveat emptor.

>>> I have 2 macs at my avail at work, and several PC's. Frankly, they both  
>>> tick me off from time to time but the Win boxes see more use and tick me  
>>> off a whole lot less.

>> From what you said below, it sounds like your Macs are pretty old and not

>> nearly up to date. OSX 10.29? Get 10.3 at least. I'm on 10.4, it's pretty

>> solid. 10.5 is sitting here, waiting to be installed when the decks clear

>> enough to get around to it.

>

> 10.3, correct me if I'm wrong, is another paid upgrade. For a machine I

> won't use over stability problems - no thanks.

Your call.

> XP service pack 1, 2 and the coming 3 are ALL FREE. And make no mistake,

> those are just as much an overhaul as the paid for upgrade Apple wants to

> soak you for.

> That sound ethical to you guys?

Apple puts out a paid upgrade every 18 months or so. The cost is about  
\$100 if you shop around. I'm not complaining that they upgrade the

software, and for a reasonable price. In between all updates are free.

I don't think Microsoft's record is better in this area.

>>> Nothing like plugging in a KVM and having your Mac reach an unrecoverable  
>>> error and forced shutdown because it doesn't like the KVM. Every time.  
>>> But not being the latest OS I can't get support for it w/o buying some  
>>> more "apple care", and Belkin had no idea what would cause it, nor my  
>>> vendor.

>> Bummer.

>

> Yeah, I was totally stoked that the G4 duallie liked my Dell keyboard/mouse  
> just fine... but I have dual monitors at my day gig and having a 3rd in my  
> limited desk space just ain't in the plan. So I bought a decent KVM that  
> every PC, even 5 year old ones, seem to like just fine. Not the Mac, it goes  
> into some corrupted  
> we're-shutting-down-don't-care-if-you-have-saved-your-work mode within 5  
> minutes or less. Total drag. I even had that machine playing somewhat nice  
> with my MS server 2k3. Oh well, foot prop now.

Again, bummer, in that specific situation. Waste of that poor unappreciated Mac though. Send me the Mac. :^)

>>> I had been considering a Mini for personal use (with boot camp of  
>>> course), but that kinda gotcha rather cinched the "think I'll pass for  
>>> now" for me. MacOS-x 10.29 on dual procs, and it's a foot prop under my  
>>> desk now. At least it doesn't crash that way and it's more ergonomic for  
>>> my peds, heh... I get a warm fuzzy and smirk when my feet hit it :>  
>> I'll be happy to store it for you. Could probably put it to good use. The  
>> quicksilvers were pretty loud, though. The G5 is much, much quieter, and  
>> the current Intel boxes are also pretty quiet.

>

> Yeah, Hoover's got nothing on this box (dam or vacuum cleaner, LOL)

I put my dual G4 in a closet and closed the door and could still hear it. For the G5 I don't bother to close the door.

>>> \*(\*)\* Apple is so much faster, Apple is so much more interesting, Apple  
>>> is so much better at... er, ....

>> Those whacky marketing types...

>

> ....are lying. On Apple's behalf, and on Apple's dime. Funny yes, honest no.

> Not Ethical.

If you're going to hold that standard for advertising, and I could

support that, then you're going to have to take on almost all advertising, including Microsoft's. But especially drugs, cars, oil companies and political ads.

>>> hey, it's the new and improved Apple now with INTEL hardware (IE, that's  
>>> called a PC Steve-O, and no amount of backpeddling will cover the fact  
>>> that you were lying through your teeth about how much faster Motorola's  
>>> I'd-rather-be-in-a-cell-phone chips were over INTEL)  
>> For its time the G4 didn't suck. The G5 is still a mighty chip around  
>> here. Keep in mind that the current core 2 duo stuff was not out when Jobs  
>> announced the switch. He switched for the then upcoming processor road  
>> map, which was more attractive from Intel at the time than from IBM.  
>> Turned out to be an OK choice I think, although I have yet to get one of  
>> the Intel Macs.  
>  
> Ditto, but I hear great things about Intel Mac boxes. And frankly, I think  
> he made a huge mistake not going with AMD.  
> However, back on topic: is Apple an ethical company..... :)

I think James' claim was merely that Apple is more ethical than Microsoft. Not a hard claim to defend given how low Microsoft has sunk at times, look at the criminal record.

>>> and it's so much better than , uh.. running windows (can't say PC anymore  
>>> at this point)!)  
>> I think you could always say PC. "Personal computer" fits any of these  
>> boxes.  
>  
> Then why are the Apple ads saying \*hi, I'm a PC... and hi, I'm a Mac\* ??  
> Apple's making that distinction, not me.

True. IMO they are all personal computers.

>>> You talked about MS stealing the macOS software GUI. Ok, where did Apple  
>>> get their code base from for OS-X? Can't see the worm in both apples,  
>>> 'eh? <-yes, that was bad pun #2.... but I am a punny guy!>  
>> The code base for OSX was derived largely from NeXT, the company Steve  
>> Jobs started after been booted out of Apple. I used to work for a NeXT  
>> developer doing documentation and testing. Had a cool NeXT cube. Good  
>> times!  
>  
> So, you're saying it is not BSD? Interesting.....

Look into it, it's an interesting history. Apple does build on BSD, growing out of NeXT.

>> I haven't fallen for iPods or iPhones. Yet anyway.  
>  
> I bet you will. iPOD's rock, but I would steer clear of the cheap seats -  
> like anything else in life. I think, however, that I will not buy another  
> movie from them because I don't like being locked out of being able to make  
> a DVD for backup/viewing outside my computer. That sucks.  
> and iTUNES has turned into a fat piece of bloated code IMO as well. I'm  
> about to jump to Media Monkey I think.  
>  
>>  
>>> I also thought that the Cinema Display was about the most beautiful  
>>> display ever as far back as 4~5 years ago. on the overall though, I  
>>> didn't like Apple computer kool-aid any better than MS's kool-aid.  
>> Having spent some time working in development environments on multiple  
>> platforms (not just Apple and Microsoft), I think both of those flavors of  
>> koolaid taste odd. But overall, for the reasons I spelled out in my other  
>> post, Microsoft's koolaid is worse. Apple has actually gotten better than  
>> they were in the 80s/90s, IMO. I was not a fan of OS9 and before.  
>  
> I didn't dig ANY os that could crash with unprotected memory. BAD juju man.  
> Glad they got that one dealt with.

Indeed. OS9 and before had major limitations and no amount of marketing could get me to overlook that. OSX is much, much better.

Cheers,  
-Jamie  
[www.JamieKrutz.cm](http://www.JamieKrutz.cm)

>>  
>>  
>>> You're ok in my book man, so don't take any of this all personal or  
>>> anything, it's really not meant that way. I haven't forgotten when I had  
>>> a problem with a Mac you are the first and only dude offered and followed  
>>> through to help me out. Some day I'll get a chance to repay in kind.  
>>> AA  
>>> "TCB" <nobody@ishere.com <mailto:nobody@ishere.com>> wrote in message  
>>> news:47bf218e\$1@linux...  
>>> >  
>>> > For the record, it was what Apple did to the cloners that drove me  
>>> into the  
>>> > ever welcoming arms of Redmond. I couldn't afford Apple hardware, but  
>>> I could

>>> > afford a Power 603e machine that was my first experience with computer  
>>> audio.  
>>> > Less than a year after that Apple shut down the cloners and I  
>>> realized, 'Hey,  
>>> > these are greedy corporate bastards just like Microsoft. And Windows  
>>> hardware  
>>> > is cheap and I can build my own.' Which lead me to a 400 Mhz Celeron +  
>>> Paris,  
>>> > and the rest is (grim, money losing, book publishing) history.  
>>> >  
>>> > Your story is one version. Another is that Power was a smart,  
>>> talented, agile  
>>> > hardware vendor who was beating the daylights out of Apple because  
>>> they were  
>>> > everything Apple had long since ceased to be--entrepreneurial and  
>>> customer  
>>> > oriented.  
>>> >  
>>> > TCB  
>>> >  
>>> > "James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com <mailto:excelsm@hotmail.com>>  
>>> wrote:  
>>> >>  
>>> >>"Deej" <noway@jose.net <mailto:noway@jose.net>> wrote:  
>>> >>>  
>>> >>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com <mailto:excelsm@hotmail.com>>  
>>> wrote in message  
>>> >>>news:47bba823\$1@linux...  
>>> >>>>  
>>> >>>> Ok, can you give me a legitimate example of Apple buying market  
>>> share?  
>>> >> I  
>>> >>>  
>>> >>>>How about the time the pulled the OS licensing from PowerComputing  
>>> and  
>>> > UMaxx  
>>> >>  
>>> >>>>and closed two entire companies and threw all those folks out of  
>>> work.  
>>> >>>  
>>> >>>  
>>> >>Deej since you mentioned PowerComputing,there are a few things that  
>>> should  
>>> >>be noted. As I've said, the cloners ate in to Apple's sales. The  
>>> clones  
>>> >>advertised mainly in Mac publications to Mac users, If they had  
>>> advertised  
>>> >>in PC publications and did other forms of advertising to non Mac users

>>> they  
>>> >>would have grown the market. They didn't, they cherry picked Apple  
>>> sales.  
>>> >> One such famous incident was when PowerComputing was directly  
>>> competing  
>>> >>with Apple by selling 3000 clones to Apple's long time customer  
>>> Lockheed  
>>> >>Martin, that didn't go over to well. PowerComputing also worked a  
>>> deal  
>>> > with  
>>> >>IBM to get the fastest PowerPC processors before Apple could, this  
>>> further  
>>> >>cost Apple sales.  
>>> >>  
>>> >>Steve Jobs went to all the cloners and tried to renegotiate the  
>>> licensing  
>>> >>prices, the cloners wouldn't hear of it, so Apple did not renew the  
>>> licensing  
>>> >>with Mac OS 8. Apple did not pull the licensing. The cloners could  
>>> still  
>>> >>build systems and ship them with Mac OS 7.6 installed, and bundled OS  
>>> 8,  
>>> >>they chose not to. PowerComputing announced after that, that they  
>>> were  
>>> > going  
>>> >>to start building PCs, which I think they did for a short time. In  
>>> the  
>>> > end,  
>>> >>Apple bought out PowerComputing for 100 million dollars in Apple  
>>> stock.  
>>> >  
>>> >>I think that was pretty generous of Apple. I believe it was up to  
>>> Kahng  
>>> >>to take care of his workers from there.  
>>> >>  
>>> >>As far as UMAX, they continued on for years building scanners and  
>>> other  
>>> > products  
>>> >>as they did before they made clones.  
>>> >  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 16:51:11 GMT  
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Hey James - now we're talking - yep, I'm with you on Gibson - pretty poor leadership happening there in general, but that's a 3rd party developer, not a computer/OS developer. The same is true with the other examples you cited - they aren't the computer/OS developer with a primary motivation of selling the computer system, and being in the position of developing, marketing and selling the platform those apps run on to the advantage of their own applications (MS was sued for requiring Explorer in Windows installs, but Apple gets around this by allowing other apps, but giving preference to their own - we've heard this from developers, not just users).

Steinberg's development on the Mac side is the same as the PC side - same version of Nuendo and Cubase released at the same time - no lag in development there. The fact that Nuendo and Cubase run faster on XP has to do with the OS and how hardware drivers function on that OS as the computer hardware is identical (in tests that are being posted now), and the core code is identical. With v3 and 4, Steinberg went to a common base code so there would only be minimal differences to implement for each platform, and for each version. I guessed that many months ago and it was confirmed by someone working with Steinberg.

PT plugins cost? Yep - it's ridiculous - it's a captive customer base so they charge more.

Apogee: whether the stats listed by Apogee are really native latency, or fudged for sake of marketing is an unknown I'm trying to track down, but according to users I highly respect, they are real numbers - which is great for users, but not so great when that's tied to Logic on the Mac only. I'm pretty sure the only DSP happening on Apogee cards, is what RME and MOTU implement as well - just a method of handling I/O more efficiently and allowing routing/mixing on the card - but Logic is a native app - it isn't mixing on the Apogee cards - it's still native, and that's where the true driver/OS dependant latency numbers show up. If Apogee cards are running significantly lower latency with core audio than RME or Lynx (which have been the industry leaders for a long time), then there is something missing for 3rd party developers.

So, as I said, Apple's moves are very much the same as Digidesign, and since we seem to agree on Digidesign's practices not being in the best interest of users, we should be able to agree the same on many of Apple's practices (locking iPhone to AT&T only, etc).

You asked where these business practices functioned to the detriment of users - that's always been my biggest beef with Apple. I really don't care about whether business practices are viewed as "evil" by anyone as many large companies have a dirty side to them, even if by nature of becoming bigger than any one individual's ethics.

Dedric

On 2/23/08 1:28 AM, in article 47bfcb36\$1@linux, "James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>  
> Hey Gibson bought opcode and dropped PC development, what do you think about  
> that? Hey where's the Mac versions of Cakewalk, sonar, Audition, Acid, Vegas,  
> Sound forge, etc? What about the slow development of Steinberg products  
> for Mac? Always a second class citizen.

>  
> Did you ever notice that PT plugins cost more than native or VST? Hmmm...I  
> wonder why that is???

>  
> One other thing I believe the apogee latency thing has to do with the DSP  
> hardware on the apogee cards, not a special deal??? Not the same hardware.

>  
> Someone said that Apple was evil, or just as evil as MS, I took issue with  
> that.

>  
> Detric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:

>> On 2/22/08 11:22 PM, in article 47bfad7b\$1@linux, "James McCloskey"

>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>>

>>>

>>> A lot of this is speculation, not fact. I will say over the years many  
>>> companies

>>

>> Maybe, maybe not. So far we haven't found objective Mac users to report  
>> anything scientifically yet. But I'm not the only one looking into this,  
>> and not the only one proposing that Apple is holding back to make other  
> OSX

>> apps and hardware appear inferior (and that was only one example - there  
> are

>> others). Some pretty sharp and connected guys are saying this as well,  
> so

>> there is more than speculation behind it - the numbers aren't adding up  
>> (Nuendo/RME/Lynx aren't performing nearly as well on OSX as on XP, same  
>> hardware - so either Apogee is lying about their 96k 1.6ms performance  
>> stats, or Apple gave only them the keys to the kernel).

>>

>> Anyone want to loan me a dual quad G5? Seriously. I'm looking for a way  
> to

>> make this testing happen objectively and accurately, and I know a few other  
>> guys that are as well. If Apple is holding back, users need to know so  
> they

>> don't go in expecting unrealistic performance, and why. If not, users need  
>> to know which are the best performing software/hardware combos, regardless  
>> of Apple/MS preferences. It's kind of a big deal to a lot of users right

>> now, where trying to prove/disprove if Microsoft is more or less evil,  
>> really doesn't help us in the least.  
>>  
>> Detric  
>>  
>>> dropped support for the Mac platform, one example was when Parsons dropped  
>>> Quick Books for Mac, luckily we got that one back. Mac users have had  
> to  
>>> deal with this for years.  
>>>  
>>> Why should Apple develop for another platform when it does not benefit  
> them?  
>>> They are trying to grow the Mac market not the PC market! I'll remind  
> you  
>>> that they offered PC users special pricing, including on hardware. PC  
> users  
>>> were not left out in the cold. If you haven't noticed, Apple unlike MS,  
>>> sells integrated hardware and software, they have a different business  
> model.  
>>> Yes, they use Hardware and software to push each other.  
>>>  
>>> By the way, if you haven't heard, anti trust cases were brought against  
>>> Microsoft,  
>>> these cases were adjudicated and Microsoft was found guilty. Thanks to  
> Bush  
>>> and friends, MS has gotten a slap on the wrist instead of a break up.  
> MS  
>>> is back to their old tricks.  
>>>  
>>>  
>>> [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Criticism\\_of\\_Microsoft](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Criticism_of_Microsoft)  
>>>  
>>> [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/European\\_Union\\_v.\\_Microsoft](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/European_Union_v._Microsoft)  
>>>  
>>>  
>>> Think what you want!  
>>>  
>>> Detric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:  
>>>> On 2/22/08 8:36 PM, in article 47bf86b2\$1@linux, "James McCloskey"  
>>>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:  
>>>>> What I do expect you to share is the basic idea that NEITHER of them  
>>>> are  
>>>>> perfect and NEITHER of them are COMPLETELY evil. They are both a mix.  
>>>>> Sometimes  
>>>>> they see a competitor and use their power to club them over the head  
>>> to  
>>>>> the  
>>>>> detriment of all of us. Both of them do it. One has more ability to

> do  
 >>> it  
 >>>>> than the other.  
 >>>>>  
 >>>>>  
 >>>>> Can you give me an example of Apple doing this?  
 >>>>  
 >>>> How about more than one:  
 >>>>  
 >>>> 1) Shake is a \$9900 application in 1999 (\$3900 render only)  
 >>>> 2) Apple buys it, drops the price a couple of times (OSX version less  
 > than  
 >>>> other versions), offering free double licenses for users upgrading to  
 > OSX.  
 >>>> 3) Apple discontinues Windows support for it.  
 >>>> 4) Fast forward to 2003, Shake is still \$2999 for both OSX and Linux.  
 >>>> 5) Apple drops the OSX version price to \$499. Linux version remains  
 > \$2999.  
 >>>>  
 >>>> See more here for the price change details and decide for yourself:  
 >>>> [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shake\\_\(software\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shake_(software))  
 >>>>  
 >>>> Just my opinion, but anytime an app is dropped from \$3k to \$500, selling  
 >>>> software as a profitable product isn't the goal.  
 >>>>  
 >>>>  
 >>>> Next:  
 >>>> 1) Apple buys Emagic (there's a song in this one somewhere...;-)  
 >>>> 2) Drops PC support for Logic promptly.  
 >>>> 3) Slow development ensues...then finally core audio appears  
 >>>> 4) Apple signs exclusive deal with Apogee for Symphony, Ensemble, etc  
 > for  
 >>>> Logic/Mac only  
 >>>> 5) Symphony reports lower latency and better performance than other  
 > apps  
 >>>> under core audio  
 >>>> 6) Speculation (no, I can't prove it - yet) is that Apple gave Apogee  
 > lower  
 >>>> level access to core audio that isn't in the SDK, thereby giving the  
 >>>> Apogee/Logic combo a significant edge over Digital Performer,  
 >>>> Nuendo/Cubase,  
 >>>> RME, MOTU, Digidesign, etc.  
 >>>> 7) Apple drops the price of Logic to \$500, with additional software/etc  
 >>>> thrown in (imho, this is below average market value for a DAW software  
 > and  
 >>>> most likely a loss leader).  
 >>>> 8) Why? To sell Macs and Apogee interfaces. Logic is priced too low  
 > to

>>> be  
>>>> a profit center - it's just a marketing tool now to expand the Mac's  
>>>> position in consumer, prosumer, hobby, and beginner, lower end musician  
>>>> markets, to the detriment of other 3rd party companies also developing  
> for  
>>>> the platform.  
>>>>  
>>>> In both cases, Apple is using applications to push their hardware, even  
>>>> though there are competing applications, and the Microsoft argument would  
>>>> suggest that using applications and exclusivity of them, and hardware,  
> is  
>>> a  
>>>> conflict of interest for an operating system developer, much less a  
>>>> computer  
>>>> builder.  
>>>>  
>>>> Just my .02 - can't prove it any more than anyone can \*prove\* Microsoft  
>>> is  
>>>> evil. I don't like MS, but Apple isn't making friends in my end of the  
>>> pro  
>>>> audio world - just putting this in perspective. Btw, I'm not the only  
> one  
>>>> with this supposition - there are some other well respected audio people  
>>> in  
>>>> agreement.  
>>>>  
>>>> Btw - didn't post this to get deeper into an argument - just since you  
> asked  
>>>> for an example, and I had read the same supposition of Apple's move with  
>>>> core audio from another Nuendo user just today, so might as well pass  
> it  
>>> on  
>>>> here.  
>>>>  
>>>> I don't hate Apple - but I do hate exclusive deals, and lock outs that  
> do  
>>>> nothing but hurt the consumer by limiting options. I have yet to verify  
>>>> that core audio really is faster with Apogee interfaces, so take that  
> with  
>>> a  
>>>> grain of salt - Apogee claims they are, of course. Point is, if to get  
>>> the  
>>>> most out of your Mac for audio, you not only have to buy and Apogee  
>>>> interface (an Apple partner), but Logic as well, and don't have the option  
>>>> of running a MOTU interface, RME, Lynx, M-Audio, etc with any other  
>>>> software, your are sacrificing options.  
>>>>  
>>>> Sounds like a text book Digidesign move to me, but it's Apple doing the

>>>> price cuts and exclusive deals to undercut the market and sell more Macs  
>>> and  
>>>> other Apple-partner products. If there were no Mac support from other  
>>>> companies (MOTU, RME, Lynx, etc), you could call it "their product, their  
>>>> market", but we are comparing operating systems and computers here, so  
> that  
>>>> doesn't stand. It may not be illegal (but I believe it is close), but  
> it  
>>> is  
>>>> hurting consumers.  
>>>>  
>>>> Regards,  
>>>> Dedic  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
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"Kim" <[hidde@sounds@hotmail.com](mailto:hidde@sounds@hotmail.com)> wrote:

>  
>"James McCloskey" <[excelsm@hotmail.com](mailto:excelsm@hotmail.com)> wrote:  
>>Why should Apple develop for another platform when it does not benefit  
>them?  
>  
>I can cop that so long as you're willing to cop that it's ok, for example,  
>for M\$ to do the same with, say Office, just for example.  
>  
>Would that be OK?  
>  
>Cheers,  
>Kim.

Hey MS needs to have Office for Mac, otherwise they'd be in anti trust hot water again. It's about the only excuse they have.

One more log for the fire. One more law suit for Microsoft.

<http://apnews.excite.com/article/20080223/D8UVQCH80.html>

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?  
Posted by [erlilo](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 19:12:21 GMT

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Hmmm...can we hear the difference a saturday evening...hmhhh?-;)

"John" <no@no.com> skrev i en meddelelse news:47bf0769\$1@linux...

>

> isn't it 3ms latency and not 0.03ms ?

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [erlilo](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 19:18:25 GMT

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Don't be sorry, John. It will all get an end.

erlilo

"John" <nah@no.com> skrev i en meddelelse news:47bcbbb2\$1@linux...

> And to think all I wanted to do was to take a nice shit on Vista. Look at

> the trouble I've caused. I'm sorry.

>

> John

>

> casual observer wrote:

>>> I always hear something stupid like, somebody wanting to buy movies from

>>> the iTunes store to play on their MS Zune ( an MS rip off of the iPod).

>>

>>

>> So why aren't you all bent out of shape that the iPod was "ripped off"

>> from

>> Compaq and HanGo (which beat the iPod by 2 years)? Being the device that

>> breathed new life into the company, isn't that a pretty major "crime"?

>> Feel

>> free to rationalize how that is different than MS "stealing" their OS.

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Sat, 23 Feb 2008 19:25:57 GMT

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"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message  
news:47c06f32\$1@linux...

>>PT plugins cost? Yep - it's ridiculous - it's a captive customer base so

>>they charge more.

>>

> I agree, also keep in mind that, that proprietary development does cost

> more

> money.

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That's what Digi claims, but in truth it doesn't cost more money - it costs the same. The dsp design is the significant portion of any plugin, not the interface to the processor.

Digi is just using it as an excuse. It's not a new one though - that's been the case in the tech industry for years - proprietary formats (although the Motorola dsps Digi uses are as commonplace and bland as it gets), do garner higher prices, regardless of development time.

> Your making assumptions about Apple and Apogee, you don't know, and  
> neither  
> do I, but it is likely the hardware. Not all hardware is created equal.

Not as much of an assumption as you are guessing. No, Apogee's hardware isn't going to offload native mixing, plugin dsp or disk streaming from Logic any more than any other audio interface. I do know that for a fact.

And that is what we are talking about: latency to VSTi's, plugins, mixing load, etc - round trip in and out of the native app. Even TDM doesn't do that for "native" plugins - only for TDM plugins that run on the hardware (as Paris' EQ, comps, etc did). Apogee's hardware doesn't do any offloading of native mixing and plugin processing. AU plugins still run native to the Mac cpu. Apogee's system is just an I/O card like any other (a good one no doubt, but no different in terms of native interface to drivers, and the native app than RME, MOTU, etc).

Check the plugin reports here:

[http://www.apogeedigital.com/products/symphony\\_performance.php](http://www.apogeedigital.com/products/symphony_performance.php)  
These are native plugins. If anyone has more details, I'm all ears. The reason claimed that Apogee is getting higher plugin counts with Symphony than other hardware would be it's implementation with core audio (I would like to know what they compared to, but it's probably RME or MOTU). Since Apogee is new to the interface driver game, and initial performance was quite poor compared to RME, etc, it isn't much of an assumption that they most likely got help from Apple to boost their performance past hardware they weren't competing with before (and probably hired some more savvy programmers too - but remember, RME (and Lynx on the PC side) have led the performance marks for years - it isn't likely Apogee would just jump into the game and all of a sudden deliver a much faster core audio implementation when RME has had more time with it and much more driver experience in general, unless RME etc didn't know something about core audio that Apogee does.

No, this isn't coming from Apogee's competitors. It's coming from guys who



build DAWs, run high end systems, etc.

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Kim wrote:

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> Why does M\$ need yahoo? Why did Apple need any of a number of companies they  
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Posted by [Martin Harrington](#) on Sun, 24 Feb 2008 02:00:55 GMT  
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I'm running Vista on an Athlon 3500+ with 2 gb ram, and never, ever a  
problem, and it's used by my wife...what more is there to say.  
Martin H

On 24/02/08 7:43 AM, in article 47c0774d\$1@linux, "John" <no@no.com> wrote:

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> I reinstalled XP and threw Vista in the shitter. Sidebar cool...dreamscenes  
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> taking forever to load on a dual core....not cool....vista taking 15gb of  
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> bye bye vista you piece of shit

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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [dc\[3\]](#) on Sun, 24 Feb 2008 09:52:18 GMT

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Imagine you are Vendor A and you negotiated a contract to supply 200 vehicles to a school district. You give them a great price, they like the cars, everything looks good.

One problem: GM comes in and gives the vehicles away to your client for PR and to drive you out of business. Vendor A goes BK.

Think there will be any more free cars? Why exactly did all the owners and employees of Vendor A deserve to lose their jobs?

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DC

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Kinda. Personally I think in a fair world you'd sell what you sell at an appropriate price and that would be the game. If somebody sells honey let them do that. As soon as car manufacturers give away honey for free to whoever buys their car you're doing some pretty hefty stuff against poor people who are trying to make an honest living in the honey game. Of course were the government to start banning free stuff the public would scream because honody seems to notice that you pay for it somehow in the end regardless.

But Bill certainly has a point or two. It's certainly not uncommon, and this sure is a pointless rant. ;o)

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Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Sun, 24 Feb 2008 13:10:49 GMT  
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Posted by [John \[1\]](#) on Sun, 24 Feb 2008 13:13:13 GMT  
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Subject: Re: vista where are we now ?

Posted by [Bill L](#) on Mon, 25 Feb 2008 01:44:56 GMT

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What's funny to me about this is I was selling software wholesale back in '81 or '82 and we sold a couple Microsoft programs, a language and a compiler IIRC, but they were one of the dinkiest companies we sold - strictly small potatoes at that time. Who'd a figgered?

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This is an over-simplification of the situation. MS did not give away a IE as a promotion, they gave IE away to put Netscape out of business. They also threaten to pull MS products and licensing from any builder that stripped out IE and Installed Netscape. MS also tried to imbed IE in to the OEM version of Windows so that it would be hard to strip out. This is only one example of MS tactics with one company.

There is nothing wrong with giving away something for free with a purchase or giving something away for a time as a promotion.

This thread is on the general NG.

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Posted by [Miguel Vigil \[1\]](#) on Tue, 04 Mar 2008 15:57:06 GMT  
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coffee spit funny!

hehehe

El Miguel

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>> from  
>> Compaq and HanGo (which beat the iPod by 2 years)? Being the device that  
>> breathed new life into the company, isn't that a pretty major "crime"?  
>> Feel  
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