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Well, there already have been some apples to apples comparisons of multiple OS's on Apple hardware. And I got yelled at around here when I discussed them. Unless major changes have been made to OS X.NewKitty highly multi-threaded apps will lag on that OS. How multi-threaded is Nuendo? My guess would be very, but I can't say for sure. I can say that plug-in coders I know have been doing as much as they can to use multiple threads for a long time now, but that some audio processes lend themselves very well to lots of threads while others don't. So a better question might be how Nuendo plus the particular set of plug-ins and software instruments a particular person might use would work on either OS. I'm sure we'll find out soon enough.

I'm guessing AMD will be forced to dramatically reduce the cost of their gear to keep up in the bang for buck race. So I might be looking at a dual

AMD beast to replace my current audio box. We'll see.

It's funny, when you think about it. Probably the main reason XP has pretty decent multi-threading performance is not because M\$oft wanted it there but because it's grandparents ran on DEC Alpha servers that were pretty seriously multi-processor. We still have a few NT 4 boxes where I work and if you use the right hardware on them, and you take the time to get them working well, they're bulletproof. Connect an external CD drive and she's probably toast, but M\$oft got a little lucky with that code purchase. And, of course, that other little OS named after Deborah and Ian gobbles up those multi-threaded apps--if only Live ran on it . . .

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to wait a couple of months until they upgrade to the Conroe chips.

The upcoming MacBook Pro will use the Merom chip, which is the newer

Core2 Extreme mobile chip. Is full 64-bit, has twice the L2 cache, and has more of a bunch of other chip geek things I don't really understand but know that "more is gooder".

I'm glad I didn't have the money to buy one before - I should be in the market late September or early October, after the new ones are shipping.

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I don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it ran well on a Mac???? If it's a problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in short order.

As far as mac hardware goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different chips. Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC, and they have for years. For some that will be worth the price of admission, for others it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and Windows software since the early 90s, and UNIX since 2001. You can run more software than a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. It's just easier, faster and less expensive now. That could only be good for a studio.

I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, but it will be hard to compete with what apple is offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek, high end machine. Look at the comparative costs to the Dell in the WWDC video. Sure you can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same. You'll save money up front, but not in the long run when you have to spend hours tweaking, and fussing just to get your generic machine to work right.

Once again for me it's ease of use, less headaches, and time. And then there's the software, I hate software that gets in the way. By the way, if you want to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC Keynote video;)

<http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qtv/wwdc06/>

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http://www.alanwood.net/unicode/utilities_editors_macosx.htm |

<http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/>

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<http://macromates.com/>

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<http://www.jedit.org/>

<http://smultron.sourceforge.net/>

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Some Apple service info:

<http://www.apple.com/buy/locator/service.html>

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Wed, 09 Aug 2006 14:38:02 GMT
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> it with a Mac is ridiculous. I doubt the drive is physically dead. I
> just
> haven't had time to take it to work and reformat it on a PC to find out
> for
> sure. That was the point.
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> I also found that Mac system drives can't run more than 6" on from the IDE
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> that kind of limitation. That's just a low performance tolerance in the
> buss design, probably done to limit power requirements on the mb; due to
> limited power; or to circumvent crosstalk on the data plane of the board.
> Not the drive's fault, or cable - it's a motherboard limitation.
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> Textedit - I only needed to edit a simple html file in Textedit. Once
> saved
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> in
> any browser when I posted it. It wasn't the code. I checked. So I
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> to try some others from www.tucows.com (great resource if you aren't
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> work. Most installed fine, but some wouldn't run (probably not compatible
> with 10.4), another wouldn't see html files in any form (e.g. greyed out
> in
> file browser, which btw, you can't fake some OSX apps out of), and yet
> another wouldn't open any files (no kidding, one didn't have an option to
> open a file...that was the biggest laugh I've had in a long time).
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> A 30 second task that turned into a 30 minute joke. Sure, a Text Editor
> problem seems quite silly, and it is. And that's the point. After all
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> obscure than the ads' arguments, or arguments that being able to running
> Unix and Windows makes a Mac more "open". You can leave a door standing

> wide open all day long, but if no one walks through, does it really
> matter?
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> phone, local Mac users who've had to have their Macs serviced (every Mac
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>> <http://macromates.com/>
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 Dell 19 inch E196 Flat Panel, Analog E196FP =
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"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message =
news:44da0395\$1@linux...

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> As Tony said it's supply and demand. Apple doesn't mass produce the =
number

> of units that PC manufactures do, so there is going to be higher =
costs.=20

> It's also no secret that Apple has the highest margins in the =
industry, because

> they charge higher prices per unit. They have to to survive and =
prosper.

> They have higher R&D cost because their alone, they don't have the =
rest

> of the industry doing R&D with them. They also don't have the mass =
production/number

> of units. MS, Intel and AMD have invest in to other companies and =
have helped

> the with development dollars. It has been different for Apple. Now =
they

> are working with Intel, prices should start to go down over time, but =
it

> will depend on the number of units sold.

>=20

> If you could charge three times your studio rate and get it would you? =
|

> think most of us would. I know of studios that charge \$300.00 an hour =
and

> get it. I think it's crazy. There are hotels that charge 20 times =
the going

> rate and get it. It's just a place to sleep at night, but there is a =
difference.

> Security might be one of those differences, others may be only =
perceived

> differences. We have different perspectives on the value of an Apple =
computer.

> Apple can charge that rate and get it, so can you really blame them.

>=20

> I still think they are over priced, but look at what a new Dell =
Precision

> 490 cost, it's \$3939.00 and the equivalent Apple is \$3299.00. I =
expect that

> the Dell will cost less than the Apple in two months, because Dell =
will buy
> and sell more units, and get better pricing. Time will tell.
>=20
> Comparing Apple to building your own machine is a bit unfair. It =
would be
> like comparing Marlboro cigarettes to rolling your own, there's going =
to
> be a big difference in price. Or generic cola to Coke a Cola. The =
reality
> is building a PC is always going to be cheaper than a Mac. I can't =
speak
> to fried mother boards, but I will say that Apple creates the software =
and
> the hardware, and it is a tight integration that works well, and is =
for the
> most part headache free.
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> I will agree with you on O/S9, it is a bit of a kludge. They added =
doodads
> and bolted stuff on to O/S 8 and pushed it out the door. They knew =
that
> O/S 9 was dead. it was not their best effort. OSX is another story.
>=20
> Well that's my take on it.
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> James
>=20
> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>they are like custom aircraft
>>parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. <
>>
>>Oh brother!!!.....what a load James. I like you, respect your =
experience
>>in the industry and enjoy your posts here, but please don't insult me =
with
>>statements like this. The only reason they wouldn't make eonough of =
them
> to
>>be cheap would be that they didn't sell enough of them to justify =
larger
>>production runs or they just want to justify screwing the customer =
when
> one
>>of their machines dies.....and knowing Apple, it's probably a =
bit
> of
>>both.

>>
>>sheesh!!
>>
>>
>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>>news:44d96ef8\$1@linux...
>>>
>>> I do use both platforms.
>>>
>>> You can put a Pioneer DVD drive in your Mac and it will work. Do a
>>search,
>>> the are some Sony 16x models that will also work. Apple doesn't =
make
> the
>>> system drives, so I don't see how you can blame the for that. You =
might
>>> want to call WD, Seagate, or who ever made the drive.
>>>
>>> I haven't looked at the inside of a new Mac, but I would bet that =
there
>>are
>>> some Apple chips in there, I'm thinking a ROM chip.
>>>
>>> Text editor, please, there are plenty of them out there that work, =
some
>>are
>>> free some are not. What's wrong with text edit?
>>>
>>> Here are some sites:
>>>
>>> http://www.alanwood.net/unicode/utilities_editors_macosx.htm I
>>>
>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/>
>>>
>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/>
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>>> <http://www.nisus.com/Express/>
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>>> <http://macromates.com/>
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>>> <http://www.jedit.org/>
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>>> <http://smultron.sourceforge.net/>
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>>> Your right Apple MOBOs have always been expensive, they are like =
custom

>>aircraft
>>> parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. You may be =
able
>>> to slap a PC MOBO in the new Mac Pro
>>>
>>> Your talking about a four or five year old machine as if it were a =
current
>>> model. Which Dual do you have?
>>>
>>> I would bet that if you really looked you would find more Apple =
repair
>>centers
>>> and dealers in your area. CompUSA and I believe Best Buy also does =
service
>>> now. You can always send your machine to Apple, they will even send =
out
>>> a shipping box in some cases. Apple has vary quick turnaround.
>>>
>>> Some Apple service info:
>>>
>>> <http://www.apple.com/buy/locator/service.html>
>>>
>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/products/>
>>>
>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/diy/>
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>>> Here's a quick search of service locations in CO.:
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>>> locations near Colorado Springs, CO
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>>> . Voelker Research
>>> . 5026 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80918
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>>> . CompUSA
>>> . 7690 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80920
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>>> . CompUSA
>>> . 8691 Park Meadows Center Dr?Littleton, CO 80124
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>>> . Macmall
>>> . 7355 E Orchard Rd #300?Englewood, CO 80111
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>>> . CompUSA #672- Littleton
>>> . 8601 West Cross Drive?Littleton, CO 80123
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>>> . Kolter.com LLC
>>> . 305 W Colorado Ave?Trinidad, CO 81082
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>>> . Power Technology Solutions Grp Inc.
>>> . 112 S 3rd Ave?Sterling, CO 80751
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>>> . Connecting Point
>>> . 3223 E Pershing Blvd?Cheyenne, WY 82001
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>>> . Collins Consulting
>>> . 630 Woofter Ave?Colby, KS 67701
>>> .
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>>> .
>>> . Connecting Point Durango
>>> . 835 Main Avenue #215?Durango, CO 81301
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>>>
>>> James
>>>
>>>
>>> Detric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>> >James - Lamont pointed out the Nuendo on OSX is a Nuendo issue - =
it's
>>>only
>>> >relevant to Nuendo users considering a platform.
>>> >
>>> >As far as hardware? Macs are no longer different in the chipset
>>>department
>>> >(cpu), unless they will still be relegated to motherboards with a =
locked
>>> >bios chip (e.g. Mac/OSX specific). Therein would lie the same =
problem
> we
>>> >are facing now - to fix our lemon dual G4 would cost \$700 for a new
>>> >motherboard. If it were a PC I could replace it for less than =
\$100.
>>>Also,
>>> >replacing the bad "superdrive" (won't burn CDs anymore - just =
DVDs),
> is
>>> >limited to spec'd drives (one I believe, not the 25 or so I have =
options
>>> for

>>> >on my PC). Anything else might not even work, according to Apple. =
With
>>> a
>>> >PC, that would be a 5 minute, \$79 fix. I've also replaced the =
system
>>drive
>>> >twice on this Mac. I've had 5 PCs and never had to do any of the =
above.
>>> >
>>> >As far as software - sure if you need 3 operating systems, you can =
say
>>you
>>> >can run more software - at least open it. However, I've always =
been
> able
>>> to
>>> >find whatever I needed for PC, but not so with our Macs - just last =
night
>>> I
>>> >tried to find a simple text editor (other than OSX's), but couldn't =
find
>>> one
>>> >that actually worked. I've run into more "problems" like this on =
our
> OSX
>>> >Mac than anywhere else, sad to say.
>>> >
>>> >In reality, Apple may seem to have narrowed the competitive gap =
between
>>> Macs
>>> >and PCs, but they have also further blurred the line that separates =
them
>>> >from a PC functionally and technically - it all could backfire once =
users
>>> >start to see them as even more interchangeable (e.g. price is =
always
> the
>>> >first deciding factor for the majority of buyers in any market).
>>> >
>>> >In fact, unlocking OSX to run on any Intel platform could be either =
the
>>> best
>>> >move they make, or the last. That's really all that's left to set =
Macs
>>> >apart now... They don't win on repair costs, hardware costs, or
>>widespread
>>> >availability (one Apple service center in Co. Springs - tons of PC =
repair

>>> >options, including Geek Squad for those so inclined... if you don't =
do
> yo
>>ur
>>> >own). With a starting price of \$2500 for a new Mac, they aren't =
exactly
>>> >competing for a larger market share now - pretty much the same as =
every
>>> new
>>> >model before. As analysts have observed, Apple will have a hard =
time
>>> >winning the corporate/server market, and that's where their prices =
put
>>them.
>>> >
>>> >So, why would I want to run Windows or Unix on more expensive, =
closed,
>>and
>>> >costly to repair, and impossible to upgrade hardware platform? I =
don't.
>>> It
>>> >just doesn't make economic sense. Great marketing tactic for those =
that
>>> >haven't used both though.
>>> >
>>> >Regards,
>>> >Dedric
>>> >
>>> >On 8/8/06 4:07 PM, in article 44d90b0c\$1 @linux, "James McCloskey"
>>> ><excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>> >
>>> >>
>>> >> I don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it ran =
well
>>> on
>>> >> a Mac??? If it's a problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in =
short
>>> order.
>>> >>
>>> >> As far as mac hardware goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different =
chips.
>>> >> Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC, =
and
> they
>>> have
>>> >> for years. For some that will be worth the price of admission, =
for
>>others

>>> >> it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and Windows
>>software
>>> >> since the early 90s, and UNIX since 2001. You can run more =
software
>>than
>>> >> a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. It's just
>>easier,
>>> >> faster and less expensive now. That could only be good for a =
studio.
>>> >>
>>> >> I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, but it will be hard to =
compete
>>with
>>> >> what apple is offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek, =
high
>>> end
>>> >> machine. Look at the comparative costs to the Dell in the WWDC =
video.
>>> Sure
>>> >> you can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same. =
You'll
>>> save
>>> >> money up front, but not in the long run when you have to spend =
hours
>>tweaking,
>>> >> and fussing just to get your generic machine to work right.
>>> >>
>>> >> Once again for me it's ease of use, less headaches, and time. =
And
> then
>>> >> there's
>>> >> the software, I hate software that gets in the way. By the way, =
if
> you
>>> want
>>> >> to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC Keynote video;)
>>> >>
>>> >> <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qtv/wwdc06/>
>>> >>
>>> >> James
>>> >>
>>> >>
>>> >> Dedric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>> >>> Six months? Once more woodcrest chips are available you should =
be
>>able
>>> >> to
>>> >>> build one now. Now it seems the battle is between OSX and =

Windows.

>>> While

>>> >>> this was a good move for Apple to get a faster and better = hardware

>>system,

>>> >>> it did narrow the distinction between the Mac and PC.

>>> >>>

>>> >>> It will be interesting to see which turns in better performance

>>numbers

>>> >> on

>>> >>> Nuendo tests with the same hardware in place - e.g. which OS is = most

>>> bloated

>>> >>> (given that it would ASIO vs. Core Audio, which is apples and >>oranges).

>>> >>>

>>> >>> The main reason I've stayed with PCs (despite having been down = the

> Mac

>>> path

>>> >>> a couple of times) is price for the performance, ease of repair = and

>>lower

>>> >>> repair costs, much larger pool of available software, and now, >>FXTeleport.

>>> >>> I don't particularly like Windows. In fact I don't even = generically

>>> like

>>> >>> Windows. OSX looks cool, but it seems to be problematic for = Nuendo

>>users.

>>> >>>

>>> >>> Detric

>>> >>>

>>> >>> On 8/8/06 7:29 AM, in article 44d891c8@linux, "James McCloskey"

>>> >>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>>> >>>

>>> >>>>

>>> >>>> You don't need a Mac, your a PC guy. Besides, with in six = months

>>you'll

>>> >>>> be able to build a PC that is as fast for less money.

>>> >>>>

>>> >>>> James

>>> >>>>

>>> >>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:

>>> >>>>>> Are these dual core Woodcrest CPU's the most recent ones that = will


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helped
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Apple. Now they
> are working with Intel, prices should =
start to go=20
down over time, but it
> will depend on the number of units =
sold.
>=20

> If you could charge three times your studio rate and get it =
would=20
you? I
> think most of us would. I know of studios =
that charge=20
\$300.00 an hour and
> get it. I think it's crazy. =
There are=20
hotels that charge 20 times the going
> rate and get it. =
It's just a=20
place to sleep at night, but there is a =
difference.
> Security might=20
be one of those differences, others may be only perceived
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differences. We have different perspectives on the value of an =
Apple=20
computer.
> Apple can charge that rate and get it, so can you =
really=20
blame them.
>
> I still think they are over priced, but =
look at=20
what a new Dell Precision
> 490 cost, it's \$3939.00 and the =
equivalent=20
Apple is \$3299.00. I expect that
> the Dell will cost less =
than the=20
Apple in two months, because Dell will buy
> and sell more units, =
and get=20
better pricing. Time will tell.
>
> Comparing Apple =
to=20
building your own machine is a bit unfair. It would be
> =
like=20
comparing Marlboro cigarettes to rolling your own, there's going =
to
> be a=20
big difference in price. Or generic cola to Coke a Cola. The =
reality
> is building a PC is always going to be cheaper than a =
Mac. =20
I can't speak
> to fried mother boards, but I will say that Apple =
creates=20
the software and
> the hardware, and it is a tight integration =
that works=20
well, and is for the
> most part headache free.
>
> I =
will=20
agree with you on O/S9, it is a bit of a kludge. They added=20
doodads
> and bolted stuff on to O/S 8 and pushed it out the =

door. =20
They knew that
> O/S 9 was dead. =20
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experience
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didn't sell enough of them to justify larger
>>production runs =
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just want to justify screwing the customer when
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one
>>of their=20
machines dies.....and knowing Apple, it's probably a bit
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drive in your Mac and it will work. =20
Do=20
a
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>>> the are some Sony 16x models that =
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work. =20
Apple doesn't make
> the
>>> system =
drives, so l=20
don't see how you can blame the for that. =20
You =
might
>>> want=20
to call WD, Seagate, or who ever made the =
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>>>=20
I haven't looked at the inside of a new Mac, but I would bet that=20
there
>>>are
>>> some Apple chips in there, I'm =
thinking a=20
ROM chip.
>>>
>>> Text editor, please, there are =

plenty=20
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>>> Your right Apple MOBOs have always =
been=20
expensive, they are like custom
>>aircraft
>>> =
parts, they=20
just don't make enough of them to be cheap. You may be=20
able
>>> to slap a PC MOBO in the new Mac=20
Pro
>>>
>>> Your talking about a four or five =
year old=20
machine as if it were a current
>>> model. Which Dual =
do you=20
have?
>>>
>>> I would bet that if you really =

looked you=20
would find more Apple repair
>>centers
>> and =
dealers in=20
your area. CompUSA and I believe Best Buy also does =
service
>>=20
now. You can always send your machine to Apple, they will even =
send=20
out
>> a shipping box in some cases. Apple has vary =
quick=20
turnaround.
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Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80918
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>> . 8691 Park Meadows Center Dr?Littleton, CO=20
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>> . Macmall
>> . 7355 E Orchard Rd =
#300?Englewood,=20
CO 80111
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>> . CompUSA #672- Littleton
>> . 8601 West =
Cross=20
Drive?Littleton, CO 80123
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Netbuilders
>> . 3225 S Wadsworth Blvd Unit D?Lakewood, CO=20

80227
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CompUSA
>> . 80 S Abilene Rd?Aurora, CO =
80012
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CompUSA
>> . 9230 Sheridan Blvd?Westminster, CO=20
80030
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CompUSA
>> . 1740 30th St?Boulder, CO 80301
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Digital Systems Inc.
>> . 40928 Hwy 6 & 24?Avon, CO=20
81620
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>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>> . 319j Aspen =
Airport=20
Business Ctr?Aspen, CO 81611
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>> . Kolter.com LLC
>> . =
305 W=20
Colorado Ave?Trinidad, CO 81082
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>> . Power Technology =

Solutions Grp Inc.
>> . 112 S 3rd Ave?Sterling, CO=20
80751
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>> . Connecting Point
>> . 3223 E Pershing=20
Blvd?Cheyenne, WY 82001
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>> . Collins Consulting
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.. 630=20
Woolter Ave?Colby, KS 67701
>> .
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>> . Connecting Point =
Durango
>> . =20
835 Main Avenue #215?Durango, CO=20
81301
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James
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>> Dedric Terry =
<<A=20
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wrote:
>> >James - Lamont pointed out the Nuendo on OSX =
is a=20
Nuendo issue - it's
>>only
>> >relevant to =
Nuendo users=20
considering a platform.
>> >
>> >As far =
as=20
hardware? Macs are no longer different in the=20

chipset
>>department
>>> >(cpu), unless they =
will still=20
be relegated to motherboards with a locked
>>> >bios chip =
(e.g.=20
Mac/OSX specific). Therein would lie the same problem
>=20
we
>>> >are facing now - to fix our lemon dual G4 would =
cost \$700=20
for a new
>>> >motherboard. If it were a PC I could =
replace=20
it for less than \$100.
>>> >Also,
>>> >replacing =
the bad=20
"superdrive" (won't burn CDs anymore - just DVDs),
> =
is
>>>=20
>limited to spec'd drives (one I believe, not the 25 or so I have=20
options
>>> for
>>> >on my PC). =
Anything else=20
might not even work, according to Apple. With
>>>=20
a
>>> >PC, that would be a 5 minute, \$79 fix. I've =
also=20
replaced the system
>>drive
>>> >twice on this=20
Mac. I've had 5 PCs and never had to do any of the =
above.
>>>=20
>
>>> >As far as software - sure if you need 3 =
operating=20
systems, you can say
>>you
>>> >can run more =
software -=20
at least open it. However, I've always been
> =
able
>>>=20
to
>>> >find whatever I needed for PC, but not so with =
our Macs -=20
just last night
>>> I
>>> >tried to find a =
simple=20
text editor (other than OSX's), but couldn't find
>>>=20
one
>>> >that actually worked. I've run into more=20
"problems" like this on our
> OSX
>>> >Mac than =
anywhere=20
else, sad to say.
>>> >
>>> >In reality, =
Apple may=20
seem to have narrowed the competitive gap between
>>>=20
Macs
>>> >and PCs, but they have also further blurred the =
line=20
that separates them
>>> >from a PC functionally and =
technically -=20
it all could backfire once users
>>> >start to see them =
as even=20
more interchangeable (e.g. price is always
>> the
>>> =
>first=20
deciding factor for the majority of buyers in any =

market).
>>=20
>
>>> >In fact, unlocking OSX to run on any Intel =
platform=20
could be either the
>>> best
>>> >move they =
make, or=20
the last. That's really all that's left to set =
Macs
>>>=20
>apart now... They don't win on repair costs, hardware costs,=20
or
>>>widespread
>>> >availability (one Apple =
service=20
center in Co. Springs - tons of PC repair
>>> >options, =
including=20
Geek Squad for those so inclined... if you don't do
>=20
yo
>>>ur
>>>> >own). With a starting price =
of \$2500=20
for a new Mac, they aren't exactly
>>> >competing for a =
larger=20
market share now - pretty much the same as every
>>>=20
new
>>> >model before. As analysts have observed, =
Apple=20
will have a hard time
>>> >winning the corporate/server =
market,=20
and that's where their prices put
>>>them.
>>>=20
>
>>> >So, why would I want to run Windows or Unix on =
more=20
expensive, closed,
>>>and
>>>> >costly to repair, =
and=20
impossible to upgrade hardware platform? I =
don't.
>>> =20
It
>>>& >just doesn't make economic sense. Great =
marketing=20
tactic for those that
>>> >haven't used both=20
though.
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>>>& >=
>Regards,
>>>=20
>Dedric
>>>& >
>>>& >On 8/8/06 4:07 PM, =
in=20
article <FONT face=3DArial=20
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McCloskey"
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href=3D"mailto:excelsm@hotmail.com"><FONT face=3DArial=20
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wrote:
>>> >
>>> >>
>>> =
>> I=20
don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it ran=20
well
>>> on
>>>& >> a Mac???' If it's =
a=20
problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in short
>>>=20

order.
>> >>
>> >> As far as mac = hardware=20 goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different chips.
>> = >>=20 Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC, = and
>=20 they
>> have
>> >> for years. For = some=20 that will be worth the price of admission, = for
>>others
>>=20 >> it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and=20 Windows
>>software
>> >> since the early = 90s, and=20 UNIX since 2001. You can run more = software
>>than
>>=20 >> a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. = It's=20 just
>>easier,
>> >> faster and less = expensive=20 now. That could only be good for a studio.
>>=20 >>
>> >> I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, = but it=20 will be hard to compete
>>with
>> >> what = apple is=20 offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek, = high
>>=20 end
>> >> machine. Look at the comparative = costs to the=20 Dell in the WWDC video.
>> Sure
>> = >> you=20 can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same. =20 You'll
>> save
>> >> money up front, but = not in=20 the long run when you have to spend = hours
>>tweaking,
>>=20 >> and fussing just to get your generic machine to work=20 right.
>> >>
>> >> Once again for = me it's=20 ease of use, less headaches, and time. And
>> = then
>>=20 >> there's
>> >> the software, I hate software = that=20 gets in the way. By the way, if
>> you
>>=20 want
>> >> to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC = Keynote=20 video;)
>> >>
>> >> = <A=20 href=3D"http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qtv/wwdc06/"><FONT face=3DArial=20

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James Dedric Terry
mailto:dterry@keyofd.net

Six months? Once more = woodcrest chips are available you should be able to build one now. Now it seems the battle is between OSX and Windows. While this was a good move for Apple to get a faster and better hardware system, it did narrow the distinction between the Mac and PC. It will be interesting to see which turns in better performance numbers on Nuendo tests with the same hardware in place - e.g. which OS is most bloated (given that it would ASIO vs. Core Audio, which is apples and oranges). The main reason I've stayed with PCs (despite having been down the path a couple of times) is price for the performance, ease of repair and lower repair costs, much of available software, and now, FXTeleport. I don't particularly like Windows. In fact I don't generically like Windows. OSX looks cool, but it seems to be problematic for Nuendo users. Dedric On 8/8/06 7:29 AM, in article 44d891c8@linux

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McCloskey"
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wrote:
>>> >>>
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>>> >>>> You don't need a Mac, =
your a=20
PC guy. Besides, with in six =
months
>>you'll
>>>=20
>>>> be able to build a PC that is as fast for less=20
money.
>>> >>>>
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wrote:
>>> >>>>>> Are these dual core =
Woodcrest=20
CPU's the most recent ones that will
>>> =
>>>>>>=20
outperform the Opterons? It does, indeed, look like a lot =
of
>>>=20
>>>>>> machine.....not that I would ever be =
interested in a=20
Mac, you
>>understand.
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It all=20
looks interesting,
>>it's
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a
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>>>>>>>> of machine.
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Subject: Re: New Super Power Macs Announced
Posted by [LaMont](#) on Thu, 10 Aug 2006 13:53:56 GMT

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Hi Arron,

James got that price from Apples keynote speech at WDC. it's typicle Apple, pulling "old" princing info on product to justify their pricing.

"Aaron Allen" <nospam@not_here.dude> wrote:

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>I don't know where you're buying your Dells at (talk to me, I can =

>probably help you with that if you want one), but as a small business =

>owner on the internet, this is what I saw. Note, I put TWO 3ghz dual =

>core xeon's in this config, a 160 GB disk, 3 year onsite =

>repair/replacement warranty, a 19" Flat Panel and a GB of RAM. Feel =

>free to post Apple specs, I'll match and I don't think you'll hit \$4000

=

>on the Dell, not even close.=20

>

> a..=20

> a.. Dell Precision Workstation 490 MiniTower - 32bit=20

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> \$2,417=20

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>           Dell Precision Workstation 490 MiniTower - 32bit:
>           Dual Core Intel=AE Xeon=AE Processor 5050 =
>3.00GHz, 2 X 2MB L2, 667 4M30 [222-1863] 1=20
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>           Operating System:
>           Genuine Windows=AE XP Professional, SP2 with =
>Media XPP2E [420-4860] 11=20
>           =20
>           =20
>           2nd Processor:
>           Dual Core Intel=AE Xeon=AE Processor 5050 =
>3.00GHz, 2 X 2MB L2, 667 PR300 [311-5942] 2=20
>           =20
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>           Graphic Cards:
>           128MB PCIe x16 nVidia Quadro NVS 285, Dual VGA =
>Capable NV285V [320-4760] 6=20
>           =20
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>           Memory:
>           1GB, DDR2 SDRAM FBD Memory, 533MHz, ECC (2 =
>DIMMS) 1G2E [311-5946] 3=20
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>           Hard Drive Configuration:
>           C1 All SATA drives, Non-RAID, 1 or 2 drive total
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>configuration SATA12 [341-3425] 9=20
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>8MB DataBurst CacheT  160ST  [341-3408]  8=20
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>          CD-ROM, DVD, and Read-Write Devices:
>          48X/32X CD-RW/DVD Combo Drive with Cyberlink =
>Power DVDT  COMBO  [313-4295]  16=20
>          =20
>          =20
>          Floppy Drive and Media Card Reader Options:
>          3.5 inch 1.44MB Floppy Drive  FD  [341-3690]
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>          Monitors:
>          Dell 19 inch E196 Flat Panel, Analog  E196FP
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>[320-4425]  5=20
>          =20
>          =20
>          Wireless:
>          Dell Wireless 1450 (802.11 a/b/g) WLAN USB 2.0 =
>DT Adapter  DW1450  [430-1181]  19=20
>          =20
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>          Keyboard:
>          USB Entry Quietkey, No Hot Keys  U  [310-7949]
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>  4=20
>          =20
>          =20
>          Mouse:
>          Dell USB 2-Button Mechanical Mouse with Scroll
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>ELD  [310-7959]  12=20
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>          Sound Card and 1394:
>          1394a Controller Card  1394  [313-4162]  17=20
>          =20
>          =20
>          Speakers:
>          Internal Chassis Speaker,Dell  INTSPK  =
>[313-4160]  18=20
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 > Resource CD:
 > Resource CD - contains Diagnostics and Drivers
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 >RCD [313-4174] 21=20
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 > Hardware Support Services:
 > 3 Year Business Standard Plan PAD3YR =
 > [902-4902][970-0762][970-6330][981-8388][984-2797][984-2798] 29=20
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 > Installation Services:
 > No Onsite System Setup NOINSTL [900-9987]
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 >"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message =
 >news:44da0395\$1@linux...
 >>=20
 >> As Tony said it's supply and demand. Apple doesn't mass produce the =
 >number
 >> of units that PC manufactures do, so there is going to be higher =
 >costs.=20
 >> It's also no secret that Apple has the highest margins in the =
 >industry, because
 >> they charge higher prices per unit. They have to to survive and =
 >prosper.
 >> They have higher R&D cost because their alone, they don't have the =
 >rest
 >> of the industry doing R&D with them. They also don't have the mass =
 >production/number
 >> of units. MS, Intel and AMD have invest in to other companies and =
 >have helped
 >> the with development dollars. It has been different for Apple. Now =
 >they
 >> are working with Intel, prices should start to go down over time, but
 =
 >it
 >> will depend on the number of units sold.
 >>=20
 >> If you could charge three times your studio rate and get it would you?
 =
 > I
 >> think most of us would. I know of studios that charge \$300.00 an hour

=
>and
>> get it. I think it's crazy. There are hotels that charge 20 times =
>the going
>> rate and get it. It's just a place to sleep at night, but there is a
=
>difference.
>> Security might be one of those differences, others may be only =
>perceived
>> differences. We have different perspectives on the value of an Apple
=
>computer.
>> Apple can charge that rate and get it, so can you really blame them.
>>=20
>> I still think they are over priced, but look at what a new Dell =
>Precision
>> 490 cost, it's \$3939.00 and the equivalent Apple is \$3299.00. I =
>expect that
>> the Dell will cost less than the Apple in two months, because Dell =
>will buy
>> and sell more units, and get better pricing. Time will tell.
>>=20
>> Comparing Apple to building your own machine is a bit unfair. It =
>would be
>> like comparing Marlboro cigarettes to rolling your own, there's going
=
>to
>> be a big difference in price. Or generic cola to Coke a Cola. The =
>reality
>> is building a PC is always going to be cheaper than a Mac. I can't =
>speak
>> to fried mother boards, but I will say that Apple creates the software
=
>and
>> the hardware, and it is a tight integration that works well, and is =
>for the
>> most part headache free.
>>=20
>> I will agree with you on O/S9, it is a bit of a kludge. They added =
>doodads
>> and bolted stuff on to O/S 8 and pushed it out the door. They knew =
>that
>> O/S 9 was dead. it was not their best effort. OSX is another story.
>>=20
>> Well that's my take on it.
>>=20
>> James
>>=20

>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>they are like custom aircraft
>>>parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. <
>>>
>>>Oh brother!!!.....what a load James. I like you, respect your =
>experience
>>>in the industry and enjoy your posts here, but please don't insult me
=
>with
>>>statements like this. The only reason they wouldn't make enough of =
>them
>> to
>>>be cheap would be that they didn't sell enough of them to justify =
>larger
>>>production runs or they just want to justify screwing the customer =
>when
>> one
>>>of their machines dies.....and knowing Apple, it's probably a
=
>bit
>> of
>>>both.
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>>>sheesh!!
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>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>>>news:44d96ef8\$1@linux...
>>>>
>>>> I do use both platforms.
>>>>
>>>> You can put a Pioneer DVD drive in your Mac and it will work. Do a
>>>>search,
>>>> the are some Sony 16x models that will also work. Apple doesn't =
>make
>> the
>>>> system drives, so I don't see how you can blame the for that. You =
>might
>>>> want to call WD, Seagate, or who ever made the drive.
>>>>
>>>> I haven't looked at the inside of a new Mac, but I would bet that =
>there
>>>are
>>>> some Apple chips in there, I'm thinking a ROM chip.
>>>>
>>>> Text editor, please, there are plenty of them out there that work, =
>some
>>>are

>>>> free some are not. What's wrong with text edit?
>>>>
>>>> Here are some sites:
>>>>
>>>> http://www.alanwood.net/unicode/utilities_editors_macosx.htm I
>>>>
>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/>
>>>>
>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/>
>>>>
>>>> <http://www.nisus.com/Express/>
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>>>> <http://macromates.com/>
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>>>> <http://www.tex-edit.com/>
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>>>> <http://www.jedit.org/>
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>>>> <http://smultron.sourceforge.net/>
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>>>> Your talking about a four or five year old machine as if it were a =
>current
>>>> model. Which Dual do you have?
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>>>> I would bet that if you really looked you would find more Apple =
>repair
>>>centers
>>>> and dealers in your area. CompUSA and I believe Best Buy also does =
>service
>>>> now. You can always send your machine to Apple, they will even send
=
>out
>>>> a shipping box in some cases. Apple has vary quick turnaround.
>>>>
>>>> Some Apple service info:
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/buy/locator/service.html>
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/products/>
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/diy/>
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>>>> James
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>>>> Dedric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>> >James - Lamont pointed out the Nuendo on OSX is a Nuendo issue - =
>it's
>>>>only
>>>> >relevant to Nuendo users considering a platform.
>>>> >
>>>> >As far as hardware? Macs are no longer different in the chipset
>>>>department
>>>> >(cpu), unless they will still be relegated to motherboards with a =
>locked
>>>> >bios chip (e.g. Mac/OSX specific). Therein would lie the same =
>problem
>> we
>>>> >are facing now - to fix our lemon dual G4 would cost \$700 for a new
>>>> >motherboard. If it were a PC I could replace it for less than =
>\$100.
>>>>Also,
>>>> >replacing the bad "superdrive" (won't burn CDs anymore - just =
>DVDs),
>> is
>>>> >limited to spec'd drives (one I believe, not the 25 or so I have =
>options
>>>> for
>>>> >on my PC). Anything else might not even work, according to Apple.
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>With
>>>> a
>>>> >PC, that would be a 5 minute, \$79 fix. I've also replaced the =
>system
>>>>drive
>>>> >twice on this Mac. I've had 5 PCs and never had to do any of the =
>above.
>>>> >
>>>> >As far as software - sure if you need 3 operating systems, you can
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>say
>>>>you
>>>> >can run more software - at least open it. However, I've always =
>been
>> able
>>>> to
>>>> >find whatever I needed for PC, but not so with our Macs - just last
=
>night
>>>> I
>>>> >tried to find a simple text editor (other than OSX's), but couldn't
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>find
>>>> one
>>>> >that actually worked. I've run into more "problems" like this on =
>our
>> OSX
>>>> >Mac than anywhere else, sad to say.
>>>> >
>>>> >In reality, Apple may seem to have narrowed the competitive gap =
>between
>>>> Macs
>>>> >and PCs, but they have also further blurred the line that separates
=
>them
>>>> >from a PC functionally and technically - it all could backfire once
=
>users
>>>> >start to see them as even more interchangeable (e.g. price is =
>always
>> the
>>>> >first deciding factor for the majority of buyers in any market).
>>>> >
>>>> >In fact, unlocking OSX to run on any Intel platform could be either
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>the
>>>> best
>>>> >move they make, or the last. That's really all that's left to set
=
>Macs
>>>> >apart now... They don't win on repair costs, hardware costs, or
>>>>widespread
>>>> >availability (one Apple service center in Co. Springs - tons of PC
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>repair
>>>> >options, including Geek Squad for those so inclined... if you don't
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>do
>> yo
>>>>ur
>>>> >own). With a starting price of \$2500 for a new Mac, they aren't =
>exactly
>>>> >competing for a larger market share now - pretty much the same as =
>every
>>>> new
>>>> >model before. As analysts have observed, Apple will have a hard =
>time
>>>> >winning the corporate/server market, and that's where their prices
=
>put

>>>them.
>>>> >
>>>> >So, why would I want to run Windows or Unix on more expensive, =
>closed,
>>>>and
>>>> >costly to repair, and impossible to upgrade hardware platform? I =
>don't.
>>>> It
>>>> >just doesn't make economic sense. Great marketing tactic for those
=
>that
>>>> >haven't used both though.
>>>> >
>>>> >Regards,
>>>> >Dedric
>>>> >
>>>> >On 8/8/06 4:07 PM, in article 44d90b0c\$1 @linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>> ><excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>> >
>>>> >>
>>>> >> I don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it ran
=
>well
>>>> on
>>>> >> a Mac??? If it's a problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in =
>short
>>>> order.
>>>> >>
>>>> >> As far as mac hardware goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different
=
>chips.
>>>> >> Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC, =
>and
>> they
>>>> have
>>>> >> for years. For some that will be worth the price of admission, =
>for
>>>>others
>>>> >> it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and Windows
>>>>software
>>>> >> since the early 90s, and UNIX since 2001. You can run more =
>software
>>>>than
>>>> >> a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. It's just
>>>>easier,
>>>> >> faster and less expensive now. That could only be good for a =
>studio.
>>>> >>

>>>> >> I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, but it will be hard to =
>compete
>>>with
>>>> >> what apple is offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek,
=
>high
>>>> end
>>>> >> machine. Look at the comparative costs to the Dell in the WWDC =
>video.
>>>> Sure
>>>> >> you can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same. =
>You'll
>>>> save
>>>> >> money up front, but not in the long run when you have to spend =
>hours
>>>tweaking,
>>>> >> and fussing just to get your generic machine to work right.
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>>>> >> Once again for me it's ease of use, less headaches, and time. =
>And
>> then
>>>> >> there's
>>>> >> the software, I hate software that gets in the way. By the way,
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>if
>> you
>>>> want
>>>> >> to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC Keynote video;)
>>>> >>
>>>> >> <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qtv/wwdc06/>
>>>> >>
>>>> >> James
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>>>> >>
>>>> >> Detric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>> >>> Six months? Once more woodcrest chips are available you should
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>be
>>>able
>>>> >> to
>>>> >>> build one now. Now it seems the battle is between OSX and =
>Windows.
>>>> While
>>>> >>> this was a good move for Apple to get a faster and better =
>hardware
>>>system,
>>>> >>> it did narrow the distinction between the Mac and PC.
>>>> >>>

>>>> >>> It will be interesting to see which turns in better performance
>>>numbers
>>>> >> on
>>>> >>> Nuendo tests with the same hardware in place - e.g. which OS is
=
>most
>>>> bloated
>>>> >>> (given that it would ASIO vs. Core Audio, which is apples and
>>>>oranges).
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>>>> >>> The main reason I've stayed with PCs (despite having been down =
>the
>> Mac
>>>> path
>>>> >>> a couple of times) is price for the performance, ease of repair
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>and
>>>lower
>>>> >>> repair costs, much larger pool of available software, and now,
>>>>FXTeleport.
>>>> >>> I don't particularly like Windows. In fact I don't even =
>generically
>>>> like
>>>> >>> Windows. OSX looks cool, but it seems to be problematic for =
>Nuendo
>>>>users.
>>>> >>>
>>>> >>> Dedric
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>>>> >>> On 8/8/06 7:29 AM, in article 44d891c8@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>> >>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
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>>>> >>>>> You don't need a Mac, your a PC guy. Besides, with in six =
>months
>>>>you'll
>>>> >>>>> be able to build a PC that is as fast for less money.
>>>> >>>>
>>>> >>>>> James
>>>> >>>>
>>>> >>>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>> >>>>>>> Are these dual core Woodcrest CPU's the most recent ones that
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>will
>>>> >>>>>>> outperform the Opteron's? It does, indeed, look like a lot of
>>>> >>>>>>> machine.....not that I would ever be interested in a Mac, =
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James maybe on to something. Could explain why People spend upwards to 20-30k for full-blown ProTools HDrig.

I heard that those HDprofit margins are inthe range of 300 to 400 percent. YET, people buy this system. back in 1997, when I was on the fence as to purchase my PRO DAW Paris or PTMix. It came down to \$2600.00 vs \$10K. Well, I choose Paris.

"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

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>As Tony said it's supply and demand. Apple doesn't mass produce the number
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>It's also no secret that Apple has the highest margins in the industry,
because
>they charge higher prices per unit. They have to to survive and prosper.
> They have higher R&D cost because their alone, they don't have the rest
>of the industry doing R&D with them. They also don't have the mass production/number
>of units. MS, Intel and AMD have invest in to other companies and have
helped
>the with development dollars. It has been different for Apple. Now they
>are working with Intel, prices should start to go down over time, but it
>will depend on the number of units sold.

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>If you could charge three times your studio rate and get it would you?
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>think most of us would. I know of studios that charge \$300.00 an hour and
>get it. I think it's crazy. There are hotels that charge 20 times the
going
>rate and get it. It's just a place to sleep at night, but there is a difference.
> Security might be one of those differences, others may be only perceived
>differences. We have different perspectives on the value of an Apple computer.
> Apple can charge that rate and get it, so can you really blame them.

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>I still think they are over priced, but look at what a new Dell Precision
>490 cost, it's \$3939.00 and the equivalent Apple is \$3299.00. I expect
that
>the Dell will cost less than the Apple in two months, because Dell will
buy
>and sell more units, and get better pricing. Time will tell.

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>Comparing Apple to building your own machine is a bit unfair. It would
be
>like comparing Marlboro cigarettes to rolling your own, there's going to
>be a big difference in price. Or generic cola to Coke a Cola. The reality

>is building a PC is always going to be cheaper than a Mac. I can't speak
>to fried mother boards, but I will say that Apple creates the software and
>the hardware, and it is a tight integration that works well, and is for
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>most part headache free.
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>and bolted stuff on to O/S 8 and pushed it out the door. They knew that
>O/S 9 was dead. it was not their best effort. OSX is another story.
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>on this one.
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>I think a letter from an attorney would have gotten Ricks money back, time
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>>>>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
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>>>>>
>>>>>> You don't need a Mac, your a PC guy. Besides, with in six months
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>>>>>> you'll
>>>>>> be able to build a PC that is as fast for less money.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> James
>>>>>>
>>>>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>>>>>> Are these dual core Woodcrest CPU's the most recent ones that will
>>>>>>>> outperform the Opteron's? It does, indeed, look like a lot of
>>>>>>>> machine.....not that I would ever be interested in a Mac, you

>>>>>>>> understand.
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>>>>>>>> ;oD
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>>>>>>>> news:44d7ba40\$1@linux...
>>>>>>>>

So who do you think is number one right now?

Take a look!

2006

<http://www.itworld.com/Comp/1181/050816dellrating/>

2006

<http://www.macnn.com/articles/05/08/16/apple.no..1.on.csi/>

2005

<http://www.computerworld.com/hardwaretopics/hardware/story/0,10801,103959,00.html>

2004

<http://news.com.com/2100-1042-5162141.html>

2004

<http://www.techworld.com/networking/news/index.cfm?NewsID=2124&Page=1&pagePos=4>

I guess it depends where you get your info. One thing I can tell you is JD Powers and Associates said Apple was number one at one point and time back then. I just have to find the article.

James

"LaMont Davis" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

>

>I'm sorry buddy :), but that "Apple Number#1 in customer support is false.

>Dell has had that distinction for 11 years running. JD Power and other industry metrics. Look it up.

>

>I'm a 20 year IT Dude, 10 with GM, and our standard desktop up until 1995

>was the Mac IIci(alltime favorite mac)!! the support Apple was spotty at

>best. But, when we went with DELL, we immediately saw difference in support

>quality. And to this day, Dell's customer support is in a league of their

>own. Just like Lexus, Dell continues to set the benchmark in support.

>

>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>>

>>Well I'll just speak to what I know of Apple. I was a dealer at one time,

>>and their service was outstanding. At the time they were number one the

>>the industry year after year.

>>

>>If you get a defective machine, you can return it within 30 days. Their

>>is a standard one year warranty on hardware. They will replace any thing

>>that is defective free of charge in that year. If you get the extended

>warranty

>>they will replace any thing that is defective free of charge for three years,
>>including shipping. You can add the extended warranty any time in the first
>>year, and they have extended that to me and others I know past the first
>>year.
>>
>>I had a head crash on a lap top at the end of my warranty, I had my lap
>top
>>back in 48 hours with a new larger hard drive. Apple offered to back up
>>my old drive on my new drive even though my damaged hard drive was not
mechanically
>>working, it was just clicking and making a grinding noise.
>>
>>I had a doctor in rural AL. that had a problem with a Mac clone machine
>I
>>sold him. I couldn't find somebody to service that machine at his office.
>> I called Apple, they sent a guy out that fixed his clone machine with
in
>>two hours and charged less than the going rate.
>>
>>Those are just two of my experiences with Apple service. I think their
>pretty
>>good.
>>
>>I know that on other audio boards some people are still using the G4 FW800
>>machines. I'm not sure what was up with Rick's machine. Apple is known
>>for replacing the whole machine when a customer is really unhappy and there
>>has been a lot of repairs. However it sounds like Apple dropped the ball
>>on this one.
>>
>>I think a letter from an attorney would have gotten Ricks money back, time
>>is another story. There are Lemon laws that apply to computers also that
>>may still be exercisable.
>>
>>I'm sorry about what happened to Rick, it wasn't right.
>>
>>James
>>
>>"Aaron Allen" <nospam@not_here.dude> wrote:
>>>James, love ya man... but I have to take this one a little out of context
>>
>>>for humor's sake :)
>>>
>>>*Apple has vary quick turnaround.*
>>>
>>>Yup, they turned Rick around pretty quick and repeatedly as I remember..
>>

>>>poor uncle rick....
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>>>AA
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>>>
>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>>>news:44d96ef8\$1@linux...
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>>>> I do use both platforms.
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>>>> You can put a Pioneer DVD drive in your Mac and it will work. Do a

>>>> search,
>>>> the are some Sony 16x models that will also work. Apple doesn't make
>>the
>>>> system drives, so I don't see how you can blame the for that. You might
>>>> want to call WD, Seagate, or who ever made the drive.
>>>>
>>>> I haven't looked at the inside of a new Mac, but I would bet that there
>>
>>>> are
>>>> some Apple chips in there, I'm thinking a ROM chip.
>>>>
>>>> Text editor, please, there are plenty of them out there that work, some
>>
>>>> are
>>>> free some are not. What's wrong with text edit?
>>>>
>>>> Here are some sites:
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>>>> http://www.alanwood.net/unicode/utilities_editors_macosx.htm I
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>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/>
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>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/>
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>>>> <http://www.nisus.com/Express/>
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>>>> <http://macromates.com/>
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>>>> <http://www.tex-edit.com/>
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>>>> <http://www.jedit.org/>
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>>>> <http://smultron.sourceforge.net/>
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>>>> Your right Apple MOBOs have always been expensive, they are like custom
>>

>>>> aircraft
>>>> parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. You may be able
>>>> to slap a PC MOBO in the new Mac Pro
>>>>
>>>> Your talking about a four or five year old machine as if it were a current
>>>> model. Which Dual do you have?
>>>>
>>>> I would bet that if you really looked you would find more Apple repair
>>
>>>> centers
>>>> and dealers in your area. CompUSA and I believe Best Buy also does service
>>>> now. You can always send your machine to Apple, they will even send
>out
>>>> a shipping box in some cases. Apple has vary quick turnaround.
>>>>
>>>> Some Apple service info:
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/buy/locator/service.html>
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/products/>
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/diy/>
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>>>> Here's a quick search of service locations in CO.:
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>>>> locations near Colorado Springs, CO
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>>>> . Voelker Research
>>>> . 5026 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80918
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 7690 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80920
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 8691 Park Meadows Center Dr?Littleton, CO 80124
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>>>> . Macmall
>>>> . 7355 E Orchard Rd #300?Englewood, CO 80111

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>>>> . CompUSA #672- Littleton
>>>> . 8601 West Cross Drive?Littleton, CO 80123
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>>>> . Netbuilders
>>>> . 3225 S Wadsworth Blvd Unit D?Lakewood, CO 80227
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 80 S Abilene Rd?Aurora, CO 80012
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 9230 Sheridan Blvd?Westminster, CO 80030
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 1740 30th St?Boulder, CO 80301
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>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>> . 40928 Hwy 6 & 24?Avon, CO 81620
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>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>> . 319j Aspen Airport Business Ctr?Aspen, CO 81611
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>>>> . Kolter.com LLC
>>>> . 305 W Colorado Ave?Trinidad, CO 81082
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>>>> . Power Technology Solutions Grp Inc.
>>>> . 112 S 3rd Ave?Sterling, CO 80751

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>>>> . Connecting Point
>>>> . 3223 E Pershing Blvd?Cheyenne, WY 82001
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>>>> . Collins Consulting
>>>> . 630 Woofter Ave?Colby, KS 67701
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>>>> . Connecting Point Durango
>>>> . 835 Main Avenue #215?Durango, CO 81301
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>>>> James
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>>>> Dedric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>>>James - Lamont pointed out the Nuendo on OSX is a Nuendo issue - it's
>>only
>>>>>relevant to Nuendo users considering a platform.
>>>>>
>>>>>As far as hardware? Macs are no longer different in the chipset
>>>>>department
>>>>>(cpu), unless they will still be relegated to motherboards with a locked
>>>>>bios chip (e.g. Mac/OSX specific). Therein would lie the same problem
>>we
>>>>>are facing now - to fix our lemon dual G4 would cost \$700 for a new
>>>>>motherboard. If it were a PC I could replace it for less than \$100.
>
>>>>>Also,
>>>>>replacing the bad "superdrive" (won't burn CDs anymore - just DVDs),
>is
>>>>>limited to spec'd drives (one I believe, not the 25 or so I have options
>>>> for
>>>>>on my PC). Anything else might not even work, according to Apple.
With
>>>> a
>>>>>PC, that would be a 5 minute, \$79 fix. I've also replaced the system
>>
>>>>>drive
>>>>>twice on this Mac. I've had 5 PCs and never had to do any of the above.

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>>>>As far as software - sure if you need 3 operating systems, you can say
>>you
>>>>can run more software - at least open it. However, I've always been
>able
>>>> to
>>>>find whatever I needed for PC, but not so with our Macs - just last
night
>>>> I
>>>>tried to find a simple text editor (other than OSX's), but couldn't
find
>>>> one
>>>>that actually worked. I've run into more "problems" like this on our
>>OSX
>>>>Mac than anywhere else, sad to say.
>>>>
>>>>In reality, Apple may seem to have narrowed the competitive gap between
>>>> Macs
>>>>and PCs, but they have also further blurred the line that separates
them
>>>>from a PC functionally and technically - it all could backfire once
users
>>>>start to see them as even more interchangeable (e.g. price is always
>the
>>>>first deciding factor for the majority of buyers in any market).
>>>>
>>>>In fact, unlocking OSX to run on any Intel platform could be either
the
>>>> best
>>>>move they make, or the last. That's really all that's left to set Macs
>>>>apart now... They don't win on repair costs, hardware costs, or
>>>>widespread
>>>>availability (one Apple service center in Co. Springs - tons of PC repair
>>>>options, including Geek Squad for those so inclined... if you don't
do
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>>>>your
>>>>own). With a starting price of \$2500 for a new Mac, they aren't exactly
>>>>competing for a larger market share now - pretty much the same as every
>>>> new
>>>>model before. As analysts have observed, Apple will have a hard time
>>>>winning the corporate/server market, and that's where their prices put
>>
>>>>them.
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>>>>So, why would I want to run Windows or Unix on more expensive, closed,
>>and
>>>>costly to repair, and impossible to upgrade hardware platform? I don't.

>>>> It
>>>>>just doesn't make economic sense. Great marketing tactic for those
that
>>>>>haven't used both though.
>>>>>
>>>>>Regards,
>>>>>Dedric
>>>>>
>>>>>On 8/8/06 4:07 PM, in article 44d90b0c\$1@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>>><excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
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>>>>>> I don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it ran
well
>>>> on
>>>>>> a Mac??? If it's a problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in short
>>>> order.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> As far as mac hardware goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different chips.
>>>>>> Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC, and
>they
>>>> have
>>>>>> for years. For some that will be worth the price of admission, for
>>
>>>>>> others
>>>>>> it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and Windows software
>>>>>> since the early 90s, and UNIX since 2001. You can run more software
>>
>>>>>> than
>>>>>> a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. It's just easier,
>>>>>> faster and less expensive now. That could only be good for a studio.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, but it will be hard to compete
>>
>>>>>> with
>>>>>> what apple is offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek, high
>>>> end
>>>>>> machine. Look at the comparative costs to the Dell in the WWDC video.
>>>> Sure
>>>>>> you can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same. You'll
>>>> save
>>>>>> money up front, but not in the long run when you have to spend hours
>>
>>>>>> tweaking,
>>>>>> and fussing just to get your generic machine to work right.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> Once again for me it's ease of use, less headaches, and time. And
>then

>>>>> there's
>>>>> the software, I hate software that gets in the way. By the way, if
>>you
>>> want
>>>>> to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC Keynote video;)
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qttv/wwdc06/>
>>>>>
>>>>> James
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>>>>> Detric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>>>> Six months? Once more woodcrest chips are available you should be
>>able
>>>>> to
>>>>>> build one now. Now it seems the battle is between OSX and Windows.
>>> While
>>>>>> this was a good move for Apple to get a faster and better hardware
>>
>>>>>> system,
>>>>>> it did narrow the distinction between the Mac and PC.
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Subject: Re: New Super Power Macs Announced
Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 11 Aug 2006 01:26:20 GMT
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NOPE! I got the price right from Dell the other day, and it's also in DV Magazine, in a Dell print ad on the last page of the September issue I got three days ago. I'm thinking Dell did some price changes! Now who has inflated prices?

James

"LaMont Davis" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

>
>Hi Arron,
>James got that price from Apples keynote speech at WDC. it's typicle Apple,
>pulling "old" princing info on product to justify their pricing.

>
>"Aaron Allen" <nospam@not_here.dude> wrote:

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>>I don't know where you're buying your Dells at (talk to me, I can =
>>probably help you with that if you want one), but as a small business =
>>owner on the internet, this is what I saw. Note, I put TWO 3ghz dual =
>>core xeon's in this config, a 160 GB disk, 3 year onsite =
>>repair/replacement warranty, a 19" Flat Panel and a GB of RAM. Feel =
>>free to post Apple specs, I'll match and I don't think you'll hit \$4000

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>>on the Dell, not even close.=20

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>> Dell Precision Workstation 490 MiniTower - 32bit:
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>> Operating System:
>> Genuine Windows=AE XP Professional, SP2 with =
>>Media XPP2E [420-4860] 11=20
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>> 2nd Processor:
>> Dual Core Intel=AE Xeon=AE Processor 5050 =
>>3.00GHz, 2 X 2MB L2, 667 PR300 [311-5942] 2=20
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>> Graphic Cards:
>> 128MB PCIe x16 nVidia Quadro NVS 285, Dual VGA
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>>Capable NV285V [320-4760] 6=20
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>> Memory:
>> 1GB, DDR2 SDRAM FBD Memory, 533MHz, ECC (2 =
>>DIMMS) 1G2E [311-5946] 3=20
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>> Hard Drive Configuration:
>> C1 All SATA drives, Non-RAID, 1 or 2 drive total
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>>          Boot Hard Drive:
>>          160GB SATA 3.0Gb/s,7200 RPM NCQ Hard Drive with
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>>8MB DataBurst CacheT 160ST [341-3408] 8=20
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>>          CD-ROM, DVD, and Read-Write Devices:
>>          48X/32X CD-RW/DVD Combo Drive with Cyberlink =
>>Power DVDT COMBO [313-4295] 16=20
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>>          Floppy Drive and Media Card Reader Options:
>>          3.5 inch 1.44MB Floppy Drive FD [341-3690]

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>>          Monitors:
>>          Dell 19 inch E196 Flat Panel, Analog E196FP

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>>[320-4425] 5=20
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>>          Wireless:
>>          Dell Wireless 1450 (802.11 a/b/g) WLAN USB 2.0
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>>DT Adapter DW1450 [430-1181] 19=20
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>>          Keyboard:
>>          USB Entry Quietkey, No Hot Keys U [310-7949]
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>>          Mouse:
>>          Dell USB 2-Button Mechanical Mouse with Scroll

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>>ELD [310-7959] 12=20
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>>          Sound Card and 1394:
>>          1394a Controller Card 1394 [313-4162] 17=20
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>>           Speakers:
>>           Internal Chassis Speaker,Dell INTSPK =
>>[313-4160] 18=20
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>>           Resource CD:
>>           Resource CD - contains Diagnostics and Drivers

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>>RCD [313-4174] 21=20
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>>           Hardware Support Services:
>>           3 Year Business Standard Plan PAD3YR =
>> [902-4902][970-0762][970-6330][981-8388][984-2797][984-2798] 29=20
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>>           Installation Services:
>>           No Onsite System Setup NOINSTL [900-9987]

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>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message =
>>news:44da0395$1@linux...
>>>=20
>>> As Tony said it's supply and demand. Apple doesn't mass produce the
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>>number
>>> of units that PC manufactures do, so there is going to be higher =
>>costs.=20
>>> It's also no secret that Apple has the highest margins in the =
>>industry, because
>>> they charge higher prices per unit. They have to to survive and =
>>prosper.
>>> They have higher R&D cost because their alone, they don't have the =
>>rest
>>> of the industry doing R&D with them. They also don't have the mass =
>>production/number
>>> of units. MS, Intel and AMD have invest in to other companies and =
>>have helped
>>> the with development dollars. It has been different for Apple. Now
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>>they
>>> are working with Intel, prices should start to go down over time, but

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>>it
>>> will depend on the number of units sold.
>>>=20
>>> If you could charge three times your studio rate and get it would you?
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>> I
>>> think most of us would. I know of studios that charge \$300.00 an hour
>=
>>and
>>> get it. I think it's crazy. There are hotels that charge 20 times =
>>the going
>>> rate and get it. It's just a place to sleep at night, but there is a
>=
>>difference.
>>> Security might be one of those differences, others may be only =
>>perceived
>>> differences. We have different perspectives on the value of an Apple
>=
>>computer.
>>> Apple can charge that rate and get it, so can you really blame them.
>>>=20
>>> I still think they are over priced, but look at what a new Dell =
>>Precision
>>> 490 cost, it's \$3939.00 and the equivalent Apple is \$3299.00. I =
>>expect that
>>> the Dell will cost less than the Apple in two months, because Dell =
>>will buy
>>> and sell more units, and get better pricing. Time will tell.
>>>=20
>>> Comparing Apple to building your own machine is a bit unfair. It =
>>would be
>>> like comparing Marlboro cigarettes to rolling your own, there's going
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>>to
>>> be a big difference in price. Or generic cola to Coke a Cola. The =
>>reality
>>> is building a PC is always going to be cheaper than a Mac. I can't =
>>speak
>>> to fried mother boards, but I will say that Apple creates the software
>=
>>and
>>> the hardware, and it is a tight integration that works well, and is =
>>for the
>>> most part headache free.
>>>=20
>>> I will agree with you on O/S9, it is a bit of a kludge. They added =
>>doodads

>>> and bolted stuff on to O/S 8 and pushed it out the door. They knew =
>>that
>>> O/S 9 was dead. it was not their best effort. OSX is another story.
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>>> Well that's my take on it.
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>>> James
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>>>>they are like custom aircraft
>>>>parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. <
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>>>>Oh brother!!!.....what a load James. I like you, respect your =
>>experience
>>>>in the industry and enjoy your posts here, but please don't insult me
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>>with
>>>>statements like this. The only reason they wouldn't make enough of =
>>them
>>> to
>>>>be cheap would be that they didn't sell enough of them to justify =
>>larger
>>>>production runs or they just want to justify screwing the customer =
>>when
>>> one
>>>>of their machines dies.....and knowing Apple, it's probably a
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>>bit
>>> of
>>>>both.
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>>>> http://www.alanwood.net/unicode/utilities_editors_macosx.htm I
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>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/>
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>>>> <http://www.nisus.com/Express/>
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>>>> <http://macromates.com/>
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>>>> <http://www.tex-edit.com/>
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>>>> <http://www.jedit.org/>
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>>>> <http://smultron.sourceforge.net/>
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>>>>centers
>>>> and dealers in your area. CompUSA and I believe Best Buy also does
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>>service
>>>> now. You can always send your machine to Apple, they will even send
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>>out
>>>> a shipping box in some cases. Apple has vary quick turnaround.
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>>>> Some Apple service info:
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/buy/locator/service.html>
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/products/>
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/diy/>
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>>>> Here's a quick search of service locations in CO.:
>>>>
>>>> locations near Colorado Springs, CO
>>>> .
>>>> . Voelker Research
>>>> . 5026 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80918
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 7690 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80920
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 8691 Park Meadows Center Dr?Littleton, CO 80124
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>>>> . Macmall
>>>> . 7355 E Orchard Rd #300?Englewood, CO 80111
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>>>> .
>>>> . CompUSA #672- Littleton
>>>> . 8601 West Cross Drive?Littleton, CO 80123
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>>>> . Netbuilders
>>>> . 3225 S Wadsworth Blvd Unit D?Lakewood, CO 80227

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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 80 S Abilene Rd?Aurora, CO 80012
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 9230 Sheridan Blvd?Westminster, CO 80030
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 1740 30th St?Boulder, CO 80301
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>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>> . 40928 Hwy 6 & 24?Avon, CO 81620
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>>>> .
>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>> . 319j Aspen Airport Business Ctr?Aspen, CO 81611
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> . Kolter.com LLC
>>>> . 305 W Colorado Ave?Trinidad, CO 81082
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> . Power Technology Solutions Grp Inc.
>>>> . 112 S 3rd Ave?Sterling, CO 80751
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> . Connecting Point
>>>> . 3223 E Pershing Blvd?Cheyenne, WY 82001
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .

>>>> . Collins Consulting
>>>> . 630 Woofter Ave?Colby, KS 67701
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> .
>>>> . Connecting Point Durango
>>>> . 835 Main Avenue #215?Durango, CO 81301
>>>>
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>>>> James
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>>>> Dedric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>> >James - Lamont pointed out the Nuendo on OSX is a Nuendo issue - =
>>it's
>>>>only
>>>> >relevant to Nuendo users considering a platform.
>>>> >
>>>> >As far as hardware? Macs are no longer different in the chipset
>>>>department
>>>> >(cpu), unless they will still be relegated to motherboards with a
=
>>locked
>>>> >bios chip (e.g. Mac/OSX specific). Therein would lie the same =
>>problem
>>> we
>>>> >are facing now - to fix our lemon dual G4 would cost \$700 for a new
>>>> >motherboard. If it were a PC I could replace it for less than =
>>\$100.
>>>>Also,
>>>> >replacing the bad "superdrive" (won't burn CDs anymore - just =
>>DVDs),
>>> is
>>>> >limited to spec'd drives (one I believe, not the 25 or so I have =
>>options
>>>> for
>>>> >on my PC). Anything else might not even work, according to Apple.
> =
>>With
>>>> a
>>>> >PC, that would be a 5 minute, \$79 fix. I've also replaced the =
>>system
>>>>drive
>>>> >twice on this Mac. I've had 5 PCs and never had to do any of the
=
>>above.
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>>>> >As far as software - sure if you need 3 operating systems, you can
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>>say
>>>you
>>>> >can run more software - at least open it. However, I've always =
>>been
>>> able
>>>> to
>>>> >find whatever I needed for PC, but not so with our Macs - just last
>=
>>night
>>>> I
>>>> >tried to find a simple text editor (other than OSX's), but couldn't
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>>find
>>>> one
>>>> >that actually worked. I've run into more "problems" like this on
=
>>our
>>> OSX
>>>> >Mac than anywhere else, sad to say.
>>>> >
>>>> >In reality, Apple may seem to have narrowed the competitive gap =
>>between
>>>> Macs
>>>> >and PCs, but they have also further blurred the line that separates
>=
>>them
>>>> >from a PC functionally and technically - it all could backfire once
>=
>>users
>>>> >start to see them as even more interchangeable (e.g. price is =
>>always
>>> the
>>>> >first deciding factor for the majority of buyers in any market).
>>>> >
>>>> >In fact, unlocking OSX to run on any Intel platform could be either
>=
>>the
>>>> best
>>>> >move they make, or the last. That's really all that's left to set
>=
>>Macs
>>>> >apart now... They don't win on repair costs, hardware costs, or
>>>>widespread
>>>> >availability (one Apple service center in Co. Springs - tons of PC
>=
>>repair

>>>> >options, including Geek Squad for those so inclined... if you don't
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>>do
>>> yo
>>>>ur
>>>> >own). With a starting price of \$2500 for a new Mac, they aren't =
>>exactly
>>>> >competing for a larger market share now - pretty much the same as
=
>>every
>>>> new
>>>> >model before. As analysts have observed, Apple will have a hard =
>>time
>>>> >winning the corporate/server market, and that's where their prices
>=
>>put
>>>>them.
>>>> >
>>>> >So, why would I want to run Windows or Unix on more expensive, =
>>closed,
>>>>and
>>>> >costly to repair, and impossible to upgrade hardware platform? I
=
>>don't.
>>>> It
>>>> >just doesn't make economic sense. Great marketing tactic for those
>=
>>that
>>>> >haven't used both though.
>>>> >
>>>> >Regards,
>>>> >Dedric
>>>> >
>>>> >On 8/8/06 4:07 PM, in article 44d90b0c\$1@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>> ><excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>> >
>>>> >>
>>>> >> I don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it ran
>=
>>well
>>>> on
>>>> >> a Mac??? If it's a problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in
=
>>short
>>>> order.
>>>> >>
>>>> >> As far as mac hardware goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different
>=

>>chips.
>>>> >> Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC, =
>>and
>>> they
>>>> have
>>>> >> for years. For some that will be worth the price of admission,
=
>>for
>>>>others
>>>> >> it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and Windows
>>>>software
>>>> >> since the early 90s, and UNIX since 2001. You can run more =
>>software
>>>>than
>>>> >> a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. It's just
>>>>easier,
>>>> >> faster and less expensive now. That could only be good for a =
>>studio.
>>>> >>
>>>> >> I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, but it will be hard to =
>>compete
>>>>with
>>>> >> what apple is offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek,
>=
>>high
>>>> end
>>>> >> machine. Look at the comparative costs to the Dell in the WWDC
=
>>video.
>>>> Sure
>>>> >> you can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same. =
>>You'll
>>>> save
>>>> >> money up front, but not in the long run when you have to spend =
>>hours
>>>>tweaking,
>>>> >> and fussing just to get your generic machine to work right.
>>>> >>
>>>> >> Once again for me it's ease of use, less headaches, and time. =
>>And
>>> then
>>>> >> there's
>>>> >> the software, I hate software that gets in the way. By the way,
>=
>>if
>>> you
>>>> want
>>>> >> to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC Keynote video;)

>>>> >>
>>>> >> <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qtv/wwdc06/>
>>>> >>
>>>> >> James
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>>>> >>
>>>> >> Dedric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>> >>> Six months? Once more woodcrest chips are available you should
>=
>>be
>>>>able
>>>> >> to
>>>> >>> build one now. Now it seems the battle is between OSX and =
>>Windows.
>>>> While
>>>> >>> this was a good move for Apple to get a faster and better =
>>hardware
>>>>system,
>>>> >>> it did narrow the distinction between the Mac and PC.
>>>> >>>
>>>> >>> It will be interesting to see which turns in better performance
>>>>numbers
>>>> >> on
>>>> >>> Nuendo tests with the same hardware in place - e.g. which OS is
>=
>>most
>>>> bloated
>>>> >>> (given that it would ASIO vs. Core Audio, which is apples and
>>>>oranges).
>>>> >>>
>>>> >>> The main reason I've stayed with PCs (despite having been down
=
>>the
>>> Mac
>>>> path
>>>> >>> a couple of times) is price for the performance, ease of repair
>=
>>and
>>>>lower
>>>> >>> repair costs, much larger pool of available software, and now,
>>>>FXTeleport.
>>>> >>> I don't particularly like Windows. In fact I don't even =
>>generically
>>>> like
>>>> >>> Windows. OSX looks cool, but it seems to be problematic for =
>>Nuendo
>>>>users.
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>>>> >>> Dedic
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>>>> >>> On 8/8/06 7:29 AM, in article 44d891c8@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>> >>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>> >>>
>>>> >>>>
>>>> >>>> You don't need a Mac, your a PC guy. Besides, with in six =
>>months
>>>>you'll
>>>> >>>> be able to build a PC that is as fast for less money.
>>>> >>>>
>>>> >>>> James
>>>> >>>>
>>>> >>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>> >>>>>> Are these dual core Woodcrest CPU's the most recent ones that
>=
>>will
>>>> >>>>>> outperform the Opterons? It does, indeed, look like a lot of
>>>> >>>>>> machine.....not that I would ever be interested in a Mac, =
>>you
>>>>understand.
>>>> >>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>> ;oD
>>>> >>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>> "James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>>>> >>>>>>> news:44d7ba40\$1@linux...
>>>> >>>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>>> Check out the stuff about expansion. It all looks =
>>interesting,
>>>>it's
>>>> >>>> a
>>>> >>>>> lot
>>>> >>>>>>> of machine.
>>>> >>>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>>> James
>>>> >>>>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>>>> "James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>> >>>>>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>>>>> Here is the link, check out the buy it now for =
>>configurations.
>>>> >>>>>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>>>>> http://www.apple.com/macpro/
>>>> >>>>>>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>>>>>> "LaMont" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:
>>>> >>>>>>>>>>>>
>>>> >>>>>>>>>>>>>> http://www.gearslutz.com/board/showthread.php?t=3D80651

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>>a small=20
>>business owner on the internet, this is what I saw. Note, I put TWO 3ghz
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>>dual=20
>>core xeon's in this config, a 160 GB disk, 3 year onsite =
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>>Apple specs, I'll match and I don't think you'll hit $4000 on the Dell,
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Subject: Re: New Super Power Macs Announced
 Posted by [excelav](#) on Fri, 11 Aug 2006 02:03:04 GMT
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No matter what Dell will win the price wars, they sell more. When the MacBook Pro came out the price was lower than a comparable Dell, with in a month Dell had a \$1,000.00 rebate on that model.

Injection molded plastic or extruded aluminum, there is a cost difference. Push release hard drive trays. You get what you pay for.

We are back to what OS do you want to use. Does headache free ease of use matter to you, or initial purchase price. I think it's what you like and what your comfortable with. To eash his own.

James

"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>
>NOPE! I got the price right from Dell the other day, and it's also in DV
>Magazine, in a Dell print ad on the last page of the September issue I got
>three days ago. I'm thinking Dell did some price changes! Now who has
inflated
>prices?

>
>James

>
>
>"LaMont Davis" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

>>
>>Hi Arron,
>>James got that price from Apples keynote speech at WDC. it's typicle Apple,
>>pulling "old" princing info on product to justify their pricing.

>>
>>"Aaron Allen" <nospam@not_here.dude> wrote:

>>>
>>>
>>>
>>>-----=_NextPart_001_00AA_01C6BC54.ADCC9B20

>>>
>>>I don't know where you're buying your Dells at (talk to me, I can =
>>>probably help you with that if you want one), but as a small business
=
>>>owner on the internet, this is what I saw. Note, I put TWO 3ghz dual =
>>>core xeon's in this config, a 160 GB disk, 3 year onsite =
>>>repair/replacement warranty, a 19" Flat Panel and a GB of RAM. Feel =
>>>free to post Apple specs, I'll match and I don't think you'll hit \$4000

>>=
>>>on the Dell, not even close.=20

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>>> a..=20
>>> a.. Dell Precision Workstation 490 MiniTower - 32bit=20
>>> =20
>>> \$2,417=20
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>>> =20

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>>> Date 8/10/2006 8:02:28 AM Central =
>>>Standard Time=20

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>>> Catalog Number 5 Retail 555=20
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>>>          Catalog Number / Description  Product Code  SKU
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>>>          Dell Precision Workstation 490 MiniTower - 32bit:
>>>          Dual Core Intel=AE Xeon=AE Processor 5050 =
>>>3.00GHz, 2 X 2MB L2, 667 4M30 [222-1863] 1=20
>>>          =20
>>>          =20
>>>          Operating System:
>>>          Genuine Windows=AE XP Professional, SP2 with =
>>>Media XPP2E [420-4860] 11=20
>>>          =20
>>>          =20
>>>          2nd Processor:
>>>          Dual Core Intel=AE Xeon=AE Processor 5050 =
>>>3.00GHz, 2 X 2MB L2, 667 PR300 [311-5942] 2=20
>>>          =20
>>>          =20
>>>          Graphic Cards:
>>>          128MB PCIe x16 nVidia Quadro NVS 285, Dual VGA
>>=
>>>Capable NV285V [320-4760] 6=20
>>>          =20
>>>          =20
>>>          Memory:
>>>          1GB, DDR2 SDRAM FBD Memory, 533MHz, ECC (2 =
>>>DIMMS) 1G2E [311-5946] 3=20
>>>          =20
>>>          =20
>>>          Hard Drive Configuration:
>>>          C1 All SATA drives, Non-RAID, 1 or 2 drive total
>>=
>>>configuration SATA12 [341-3425] 9=20
>>>          =20
>>>          =20
>>>          Boot Hard Drive:
>>>          160GB SATA 3.0Gb/s,7200 RPM NCQ Hard Drive with
>>=
>>>8MB DataBurst CacheT 160ST [341-3408] 8=20
>>>          =20
>>>          =20
>>>          CD-ROM, DVD, and Read-Write Devices:
>>>          48X/32X CD-RW/DVD Combo Drive with Cyberlink =

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>>>Power DVDT COMBO [313-4295] 16=20
>>> =20
>>> =20
>>> Floppy Drive and Media Card Reader Options:
>>> 3.5 inch 1.44MB Floppy Drive FD [341-3690]
>
>> =
>>>10=20
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>>> =20
>>> Monitors:
>>> Dell 19 inch E196 Flat Panel, Analog E196FP

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>> =
>>>[320-4425] 5=20
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>>> Wireless:
>>> Dell Wireless 1450 (802.11 a/b/g) WLAN USB 2.0
>=
>>>DT Adapter DW1450 [430-1181] 19=20
>>> =20
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>>> Keyboard:
>>> USB Entry Quietkey, No Hot Keys U [310-7949]
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>>> 4=20
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>>> Mouse:
>>> Dell USB 2-Button Mechanical Mouse with Scroll
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>>> Sound Card and 1394:
>>> 1394a Controller Card 1394 [313-4162] 17=20
>>> =20
>>> =20
>>> Speakers:
>>> Internal Chassis Speaker,Dell INTSPK =
>>>[313-4160] 18=20
>>> =20
>>> =20
>>> Resource CD:
>>> Resource CD - contains Diagnostics and Drivers

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>
>> =
>>>RCD [313-4174] 21=20
>>> =20
>>> =20
>>> Hardware Support Services:
>>> 3 Year Business Standard Plan PAD3YR =
>>> [902-4902][970-0762][970-6330][981-8388][984-2797][984-2798] 29=20
>>> =20
>>> =20
>>> Installation Services:
>>> No Onsite System Setup NOINSTL [900-9987]

>
>>=
>>>32=20
>>> =20
>>> =20
>>> =20
>>>
>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message =
>>>news:44da0395\$1@linux...
>>>>=20
>>>> As Tony said it's supply and demand. Apple doesn't mass produce the
>=
>>>number
>>>> of units that PC manufactures do, so there is going to be higher =
>>>>costs.=20
>>>> It's also no secret that Apple has the highest margins in the =
>>>>industry, because
>>>> they charge higher prices per unit. They have to to survive and =
>>>>prosper.
>>>> They have higher R&D cost because their alone, they don't have the
=
>>>rest
>>>> of the industry doing R&D with them. They also don't have the mass
=
>>>production/number
>>>> of units. MS, Intel and AMD have invest in to other companies and =
>>>>have helped
>>>> the with development dollars. It has been different for Apple. Now
>=
>>>they
>>>> are working with Intel, prices should start to go down over time, but
>>=
>>>it
>>>> will depend on the number of units sold.
>>>>=20

>>>> If you could charge three times your studio rate and get it would you?
>>=
>>> I
>>>> think most of us would. I know of studios that charge \$300.00 an hour
>>=
>>>and
>>>> get it. I think it's crazy. There are hotels that charge 20 times
=
>>>the going
>>>> rate and get it. It's just a place to sleep at night, but there is
a
>>=
>>>difference.
>>>> Security might be one of those differences, others may be only =
>>>perceived
>>>> differences. We have different perspectives on the value of an Apple
>>=
>>>computer.
>>>> Apple can charge that rate and get it, so can you really blame them.
>>>>=20
>>>> I still think they are over priced, but look at what a new Dell =
>>>Precision
>>>> 490 cost, it's \$3939.00 and the equivalent Apple is \$3299.00. I =
>>>expect that
>>>> the Dell will cost less than the Apple in two months, because Dell =
>>>will buy
>>>> and sell more units, and get better pricing. Time will tell.
>>>>=20
>>>> Comparing Apple to building your own machine is a bit unfair. It =
>>>would be
>>>> like comparing Marlboro cigarettes to rolling your own, there's going
>>=
>>>to
>>>> be a big difference in price. Or generic cola to Coke a Cola. The
=
>>>reality
>>>> is building a PC is always going to be cheaper than a Mac. I can't
=
>>> speak
>>>> to fried mother boards, but I will say that Apple creates the software
>>=
>>>and
>>>> the hardware, and it is a tight integration that works well, and is
=
>>>for the
>>>> most part headache free.
>>>>=20
>>>> I will agree with you on O/S9, it is a bit of a kludge. They added

=
>>>doodads
>>>> and bolted stuff on to O/S 8 and pushed it out the door. They knew
=
>>>that
>>>> O/S 9 was dead. it was not their best effort. OSX is another story.
>>>>=20
>>>> Well that's my take on it.
>>>>=20
>>>> James
>>>>=20
>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>>>they are like custom aircraft
>>>>>parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. <
>>>>>
>>>>>Oh brother!!!.....what a load James. I like you, respect your =
>>>>experience
>>>>>in the industry and enjoy your posts here, but please don't insult me
>>=
>>>with
>>>>>statements like this. The only reason they wouldn't make eonough of
=
>>>them
>>>> to
>>>>>be cheap would be that they didn't sell enough of them to justify =
>>>larger
>>>>>production runs or they just want to justify screwing the customer =
>>>when
>>>> one
>>>>>of their machines dies.....and knowing Apple, it's probably
a
>>=
>>>bit
>>>> of
>>>>>both.
>>>>>
>>>>>sheesh!!
>>>>>
>>>>>
>>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>>>>>news:44d96ef8\$1@linux...
>>>>>>
>>>>>> I do use both platforms.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> You can put a Pioneer DVD drive in your Mac and it will work. Do
a
>>>>>>search,
>>>>>> the are some Sony 16x models that will also work. Apple doesn't =

>>>make
>>>> the
>>>>> system drives, so I don't see how you can blame the for that. You
>=
>>>might
>>>>> want to call WD, Seagate, or who ever made the drive.
>>>>>
>>>>> I haven't looked at the inside of a new Mac, but I would bet that
=
>>>there
>>>>>are
>>>>> some Apple chips in there, I'm thinking a ROM chip.
>>>>>
>>>>> Text editor, please, there are plenty of them out there that work,
>=
>>>some
>>>>>are
>>>>> free some are not. What's wrong with text edit?
>>>>>
>>>>> Here are some sites:
>>>>>
>>>>> http://www.alanwood.net/unicode/utilities_editors_macosx.htm I
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/>
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/>
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.nisus.com/Express/>
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://macromates.com/>
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.tex-edit.com/>
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.jedit.org/>
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://smultron.sourceforge.net/>
>>>>>
>>>>> Your right Apple MOBOs have always been expensive, they are like =
>>>custom
>>>>aircraft
>>>>> parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. You may be
>>=
>>>able
>>>>> to slap a PC MOBO in the new Mac Pro
>>>>>
>>>>> Your talking about a four or five year old machine as if it were a
>=
>>>current

>>>>> model. Which Dual do you have?
>>>>>
>>>>> I would bet that if you really looked you would find more Apple =
>>>repair
>>>>>centers
>>>>> and dealers in your area. CompUSA and I believe Best Buy also does
>=
>>>service
>>>>> now. You can always send your machine to Apple, they will even send
>>=
>>>out
>>>>> a shipping box in some cases. Apple has vary quick turnaround.
>>>>>
>>>>> Some Apple service info:
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.apple.com/buy/locator/service.html>
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/products/>
>>>>>
>>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/diy/>
>>>>>
>>>>> Here's a quick search of service locations in CO.:
>>>>>
>>>>> locations near Colorado Springs, CO
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Voelker Research
>>>>> . 5026 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80918
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . CompUSA
>>>>> . 7690 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80920
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . CompUSA
>>>>> . 8691 Park Meadows Center Dr?Littleton, CO 80124
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Macmall
>>>>> . 7355 E Orchard Rd #300?Englewood, CO 80111
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .

>>>>> .
>>>>> . CompUSA #672- Littleton
>>>>> . 8601 West Cross Drive?Littleton, CO 80123
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Netbuilders
>>>>> . 3225 S Wadsworth Blvd Unit D?Lakewood, CO 80227
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . CompUSA
>>>>> . 80 S Abilene Rd?Aurora, CO 80012
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . CompUSA
>>>>> . 9230 Sheridan Blvd?Westminster, CO 80030
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . CompUSA
>>>>> . 1740 30th St?Boulder, CO 80301
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>>> . 40928 Hwy 6 & 24?Avon, CO 81620
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>>> . 319j Aspen Airport Business Ctr?Aspen, CO 81611
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Kolter.com LLC
>>>>> . 305 W Colorado Ave?Trinidad, CO 81082
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Power Technology Solutions Grp Inc.
>>>>> . 112 S 3rd Ave?Sterling, CO 80751
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .

>>>>> .
>>>>> . Connecting Point
>>>>> . 3223 E Pershing Blvd?Cheyenne, WY 82001
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Collins Consulting
>>>>> . 630 Woofter Ave?Colby, KS 67701
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> .
>>>>> . Connecting Point Durango
>>>>> . 835 Main Avenue #215?Durango, CO 81301
>>>>>
>>>>>
>>>>> James
>>>>>
>>>>>
>>>>> Dedric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>>> >James - Lamont pointed out the Nuendo on OSX is a Nuendo issue -
=
>>>it's
>>>>>only
>>>>> >relevant to Nuendo users considering a platform.
>>>>> >
>>>>> >As far as hardware? Macs are no longer different in the chipset
>>>>>department
>>>>> >(cpu), unless they will still be relegated to motherboards with a
>=
>>>locked
>>>>> >bios chip (e.g. Mac/OSX specific). Therein would lie the same =
>>>problem
>>> we
>>>>> >are facing now - to fix our lemon dual G4 would cost \$700 for a new
>>>>> >motherboard. If it were a PC I could replace it for less than =
>>>\$100.
>>>>>Also,
>>>>> >replacing the bad "superdrive" (won't burn CDs anymore - just =
>>>DVDs),
>>> is
>>>>> >limited to spec'd drives (one I believe, not the 25 or so I have
=
>>>options
>>>>> for
>>>>> >on my PC). Anything else might not even work, according to Apple.
>> =

>>>With
>>>>> a
>>>>> >PC, that would be a 5 minute, \$79 fix. I've also replaced the =
>>>system
>>>>>drive
>>>>> >twice on this Mac. I've had 5 PCs and never had to do any of the
>=
>>>above.
>>>>> >
>>>>> >As far as software - sure if you need 3 operating systems, you can
>>=
>>>say
>>>>>you
>>>>> >can run more software - at least open it. However, I've always =
>>>been
>>>> able
>>>>> to
>>>>> >find whatever I needed for PC, but not so with our Macs - just last
>>=
>>>night
>>>>> I
>>>>> >tried to find a simple text editor (other than OSX's), but couldn't
>>=
>>>find
>>>>> one
>>>>> >that actually worked. I've run into more "problems" like this on
>=
>>>our
>>>> OSX
>>>>> >Mac than anywhere else, sad to say.
>>>>> >
>>>>> >In reality, Apple may seem to have narrowed the competitive gap =
>>>between
>>>>> Macs
>>>>> >and PCs, but they have also further blurred the line that separates
>>=
>>>them
>>>>> >from a PC functionally and technically - it all could backfire once
>>=
>>>users
>>>>> >start to see them as even more interchangeable (e.g. price is =
>>>always
>>>> the
>>>>> >first deciding factor for the majority of buyers in any market).
>>>>> >
>>>>> >In fact, unlocking OSX to run on any Intel platform could be either
>>=
>>>the

>>>>> best
>>>>> >move they make, or the last. That's really all that's left to set
>>=
>>>Macs
>>>>> >apart now... They don't win on repair costs, hardware costs, or
>>>>>widespread
>>>>> >availability (one Apple service center in Co. Springs - tons of PC
>>=
>>>repair
>>>>> >options, including Geek Squad for those so inclined... if you don't
>>=
>>>do
>>>> yo
>>>>>ur
>>>>> >own). With a starting price of \$2500 for a new Mac, they aren't
=
>>>exactly
>>>>> >competing for a larger market share now - pretty much the same as
>=
>>>every
>>>>> new
>>>>> >model before. As analysts have observed, Apple will have a hard
=
>>>time
>>>>> >winning the corporate/server market, and that's where their prices
>>=
>>>put
>>>>>them.
>>>>> >
>>>>> >So, why would I want to run Windows or Unix on more expensive, =
>>>closed,
>>>>>and
>>>>> >costly to repair, and impossible to upgrade hardware platform? I
>=
>>>don't.
>>>>> It
>>>>> >just doesn't make economic sense. Great marketing tactic for those
>>=
>>>that
>>>>> >haven't used both though.
>>>>> >
>>>>> >Regards,
>>>>> >Dedric
>>>>> >
>>>>> >On 8/8/06 4:07 PM, in article 44d90b0c\$1@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>>> ><excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>> >
>>>>> >>

>>>>> >> I don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it ran
>>=
>>>well
>>>>> on
>>>>> >> a Mac??? If it's a problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in
>=
>>>short
>>>>> order.
>>>>> >>
>>>>> >> As far as mac hardware goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different
>>=
>>>chips.
>>>>> >> Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC,
=
>>>and
>>>> they
>>>>> have
>>>>> >> for years. For some that will be worth the price of admission,
>=
>>>for
>>>>>others
>>>>> >> it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and Windows
>>>>>software
>>>>> >> since the early 90s, and UNIX since 2001. You can run more =
>>>>>software
>>>>>than
>>>>> >> a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. It's just
>>>>>easier,
>>>>> >> faster and less expensive now. That could only be good for a =
>>>>>studio.
>>>>> >>
>>>>> >> I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, but it will be hard to =
>>>>>compete
>>>>>with
>>>>> >> what apple is offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek,
>>=
>>>high
>>>>> end
>>>>> >> machine. Look at the comparative costs to the Dell in the WWDC
>=
>>>video.
>>>>> Sure
>>>>> >> you can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same.
=
>>>You'll
>>>>> save
>>>>> >> money up front, but not in the long run when you have to spend
=

>>>hours
>>>>tweaking,
>>>>> >> and fussing just to get your generic machine to work right.
>>>>> >>
>>>>> >> Once again for me it's ease of use, less headaches, and time.
=
>>>And
>>>> then
>>>>> >> there's
>>>>> >> the software, I hate software that gets in the way. By the way,
>>=
>>>if
>>>> you
>>>>> want
>>>>> >> to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC Keynote video;)
>>>>> >>
>>>>> >> <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qtv/wwdc06/>
>>>>> >>
>>>>> >> James
>>>>> >>
>>>>> >>
>>>>> >> Detric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>>> >>> Six months? Once more woodcrest chips are available you should
>>=
>>>be
>>>>able
>>>>> >> to
>>>>> >>> build one now. Now it seems the battle is between OSX and =
>>>Windows.
>>>>> While
>>>>> >>> this was a good move for Apple to get a faster and better =
>>>hardware
>>>>>system,
>>>>> >>> it did narrow the distinction between the Mac and PC.
>>>>> >>>
>>>>> >>> It will be interesting to see which turns in better performance
>>>>>numbers
>>>>> >> on
>>>>> >>> Nuendo tests with the same hardware in place - e.g. which OS is
>>=
>>>most
>>>>> bloated
>>>>> >>> (given that it would ASIO vs. Core Audio, which is apples and
>>>>>oranges).
>>>>> >>>
>>>>> >>> The main reason I've stayed with PCs (despite having been down
>>=
>>>the

>>>> Mac
>>>>> path
>>>>> >>> a couple of times) is price for the performance, ease of repair
>>=
>>>and
>>>>>lower
>>>>> >>> repair costs, much larger pool of available software, and now,
>>>>>FXTeleport.
>>>>> >>> I don't particularly like Windows. In fact I don't even =
>>>generically
>>>>> like
>>>>> >>> Windows. OSX looks cool, but it seems to be problematic for =
>>>Nuendo
>>>>>users.
>>>>> >>>
>>>>> >>> Dedic
>>>>> >>>
>>>>> >>> On 8/8/06 7:29 AM, in article 44d891c8@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>>> >>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>> >>>
>>>>> >>>>
>>>>> >>>> You don't need a Mac, your a PC guy. Besides, with in six =
>>>months
>>>>>you'll
>>>>> >>>> be able to build a PC that is as fast for less money.
>>>>> >>>>
>>>>> >>>> James
>>>>> >>>>
>>>>> >>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>>> >>>>>> Are these dual core Woodcrest CPU's the most recent ones that
>>=
>>>will
>>>>> >>>>>> outperform the Opteron's? It does, indeed, look like a lot of
>>>>> >>>>>> machine.....not that I would ever be interested in a Mac,
=
>>>you
>>>>>understand.
>>>>> >>>>>>
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>>>>> >>>>>>> news:44d7ba40\$1@linux...
>>>>> >>>>>>>>
>>>>> >>>>>>>>> Check out the stuff about expansion. It all looks =
>>>interesting,
>>>>>it's
>>>>> >>>>> a


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>>>core xeon's in this config, a 160 GB disk, 3 year onsite =
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>>>MiniTower -=20
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>>>5050 3.00GHz,=20
>>> 2 X 2MB L2, 667</FONT></SPAN></TD>

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Subject: Re: New Super Power Macs Announced

Posted by [TCB](#) on Fri, 11 Aug 2006 14:00:57 GMT

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On the OS front, there is also the issue of freedom, and there we find both camps wanting.

TCB

"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>

>No matter what Dell will win the price wars, they sell more. When the MacBook

>Pro came out the price was lower than a comparable Dell, with in a month

>Dell had a \$1,000.00 rebate on that model.

>

>Injection molded plastic or extruded aluminum, there is a cost difference.

> Push release hard drive trays. You get what you pay for.

>

>We are back to what OS do you want to use. Does headache free ease of use

>matter to you, or initial purchase price. I think it's what you like and

>what your comfortable with. To eash his own.

>

>James

>

>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>>

>>NOPE! I got the price right from Dell the other day, and it's also in

DV

>>Magazine, in a Dell print ad on the last page of the September issue I

got

>>three days ago. I'm thinking Dell did some price changes! Now who has

>inflated

>>prices?

>>

>>James

>>

>>

>>"LaMont Davis" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

>>>

>>>Hi Arron,

>>>James got that price from Apples keynote speech at WDC. it's typicle Apple,

>>>pulling "old" princing info on product to justify their pricing.

>>>

>>>"Aaron Allen" <nospam@not_here.dude> wrote:

>>>>

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>>>>

>>>>I don't know where you're buying your Dells at (talk to me, I can =

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>>>>probably help you with that if you want one), but as a small business
>=
>>>>owner on the internet, this is what I saw. Note, I put TWO 3ghz dual
=
>>>>core xeon's in this config, a 160 GB disk, 3 year onsite =
>>>>repair/replacement warranty, a 19" Flat Panel and a GB of RAM. Feel
=
>>>>free to post Apple specs, I'll match and I don't think you'll hit $4000
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>>>>on the Dell, not even close.=20
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>>>> Operating System:
>>>> Genuine Windows=AE XP Professional, SP2 with
=
>>>>Media XPP2E [420-4860] 11=20
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>>>> Dual Core Intel=AE Xeon=AE Processor 5050 =

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>>>>                CD-ROM, DVD, and Read-Write Devices:
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>>>> Dell USB 2-Button Mechanical Mouse with Scroll
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>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message =
>>>>news:44da0395\$1@linux...
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>>>>> As Tony said it's supply and demand. Apple doesn't mass produce the
>>=
>>>>number
>>>>> of units that PC manufactures do, so there is going to be higher =
>>>>costs.=20
>>>>> It's also no secret that Apple has the highest margins in the =
>>>>industry, because
>>>>> they charge higher prices per unit. They have to to survive and =
>>>>prosper.
>>>>> They have higher R&D cost because their alone, they don't have the
>=
>>>>rest
>>>>> of the industry doing R&D with them. They also don't have the mass
>=
>>>>production/number
>>>>> of units. MS, Intel and AMD have invest in to other companies and
=
>>>>have helped
>>>>> the with development dollars. It has been different for Apple. Now
>>=
>>>>they
>>>>> are working with Intel, prices should start to go down over time, but
>>>=
>>>>it
>>>>> will depend on the number of units sold.
>>>>>=20
>>>>> If you could charge three times your studio rate and get it would you?
>>>=
>>>> I
>>>>> think most of us would. I know of studios that charge \$300.00 an hour
>>>=
>>>>and
>>>>> get it. I think it's crazy. There are hotels that charge 20 times
>=
>>>>the going
>>>>> rate and get it. It's just a place to sleep at night, but there is
>a
>>>=
>>>>difference.
>>>>> Security might be one of those differences, others may be only =
>>>>perceived
>>>>> differences. We have different perspectives on the value of an Apple
>>>=
>>>>computer.

>>>> Apple can charge that rate and get it, so can you really blame them.
>>>>=20
>>>> I still think they are over priced, but look at what a new Dell =
>>>>Precision
>>>> 490 cost, it's \$3939.00 and the equivalent Apple is \$3299.00. I =
>>>>expect that
>>>> the Dell will cost less than the Apple in two months, because Dell
=
>>>>will buy
>>>> and sell more units, and get better pricing. Time will tell.
>>>>=20
>>>> Comparing Apple to building your own machine is a bit unfair. It =
>>>>would be
>>>> like comparing Marlboro cigarettes to rolling your own, there's going
>>>=
>>>>to
>>>> be a big difference in price. Or generic cola to Coke a Cola. The
>=
>>>>reality
>>>> is building a PC is always going to be cheaper than a Mac. I can't
>=
>>>>speak
>>>> to fried mother boards, but I will say that Apple creates the software
>>>=
>>>>and
>>>> the hardware, and it is a tight integration that works well, and is
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>>>>for the
>>>> most part headache free.
>>>>=20
>>>> I will agree with you on O/S9, it is a bit of a kludge. They added
>=
>>>>doodads
>>>> and bolted stuff on to O/S 8 and pushed it out the door. They knew
>=
>>>>that
>>>> O/S 9 was dead. it was not their best effort. OSX is another story.
>>>>=20
>>>> Well that's my take on it.
>>>>=20
>>>> James
>>>>=20
>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>>>>they are like custom aircraft
>>>>>>parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. <
>>>>>>
>>>>>>Oh brother!!!.....what a load James. I like you, respect your =
>>>>experience

>>>>>in the industry and enjoy your posts here, but please don't insult
me
>>>=
>>>>with
>>>>>statements like this. The only reason they wouldn't make eonough of
>=
>>>>them
>>>>> to
>>>>>be cheap would be that they didn't sell enough of them to justify =
>>>>larger
>>>>>production runs or they just want to justify screwing the customer
=
>>>>when
>>>>> one
>>>>>of their machines dies.....and knowing Apple, it's probably
>a
>>>=
>>>>bit
>>>>> of
>>>>>both.
>>>>>
>>>>>sheesh!!
>>>>>
>>>>>
>>>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>>>>>news:44d96ef8\$1@linux...
>>>>>>
>>>>>> I do use both platforms.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> You can put a Pioneer DVD drive in your Mac and it will work. Do
>a
>>>>>>search,
>>>>>> the are some Sony 16x models that will also work. Apple doesn't
=
>>>>make
>>>>> the
>>>>>> system drives, so I don't see how you can blame the for that. You
>>=
>>>>might
>>>>>> want to call WD, Seagate, or who ever made the drive.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> I haven't looked at the inside of a new Mac, but I would bet that
>=
>>>>there
>>>>>>are
>>>>>> some Apple chips in there, I'm thinking a ROM chip.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> Text editor, please, there are plenty of them out there that work,

>>=
>>>>some
>>>>>are
>>>>>> free some are not. What's wrong with text edit?
>>>>>>
>>>>>> Here are some sites:
>>>>>>
>>>>>> http://www.alanwood.net/unicode/utilities_editors_macosx.htm I
>>>>>>
>>>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> <http://www.nisus.com/Express/>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> <http://macromates.com/>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> <http://www.tex-edit.com/>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> <http://www.jedit.org/>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> <http://smultron.sourceforge.net/>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> Your right Apple MOBOs have always been expensive, they are like
=
>>>>custom
>>>>>aircraft
>>>>>> parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. You may
be
>>>=
>>>>able
>>>>>> to slap a PC MOBO in the new Mac Pro
>>>>>>
>>>>>> Your talking about a four or five year old machine as if it were
a
>>=
>>>>current
>>>>>> model. Which Dual do you have?
>>>>>>
>>>>>> I would bet that if you really looked you would find more Apple =
>>>>repair
>>>>>centers
>>>>>> and dealers in your area. CompUSA and I believe Best Buy also does
>>=
>>>>service
>>>>>> now. You can always send your machine to Apple, they will even send
>>>=
>>>>out

>>>>>> a shipping box in some cases. Apple has vary quick turnaround.

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>>>>>> Some Apple service info:

>>>>>>

>>>>>> <http://www.apple.com/buy/locator/service.html>

>>>>>>

>>>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/products/>

>>>>>>

>>>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/diy/>

>>>>>>

>>>>>> Here's a quick search of service locations in CO.:

>>>>>>

>>>>>> locations near Colorado Springs, CO

>>>>>> .

>>>>>> . Voelker Research

>>>>>> . 5026 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80918

>>>>>> .

>>>>>> .

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>>>>>> .

>>>>>> . CompUSA

>>>>>> . 7690 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80920

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>>>>>> . CompUSA

>>>>>> . 8691 Park Meadows Center Dr?Littleton, CO 80124

>>>>>> .

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>>>>>> .

>>>>>> . Macmall

>>>>>> . 7355 E Orchard Rd #300?Englewood, CO 80111

>>>>>> .

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>>>>>> .

>>>>>> . CompUSA #672- Littleton

>>>>>> . 8601 West Cross Drive?Littleton, CO 80123

>>>>>> .

>>>>>> .

>>>>>> . Netbuilders

>>>>>> . 3225 S Wadsworth Blvd Unit D?Lakewood, CO 80227

>>>>>> .

>>>>>> .

>>>>>> . CompUSA

>>>>>> . 80 S Abilene Rd?Aurora, CO 80012

>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . CompUSA
>>>>>> . 9230 Sheridan Blvd?Westminster, CO 80030
>>>>>>
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . CompUSA
>>>>>> . 1740 30th St?Boulder, CO 80301
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>>>> . 40928 Hwy 6 & 24?Avon, CO 81620
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>>>> . 319j Aspen Airport Business Ctr?Aspen, CO 81611
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . Kolter.com LLC
>>>>>> . 305 W Colorado Ave?Trinidad, CO 81082
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . Power Technology Solutions Grp Inc.
>>>>>> . 112 S 3rd Ave?Sterling, CO 80751
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . Connecting Point
>>>>>> . 3223 E Pershing Blvd?Cheyenne, WY 82001
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . Collins Consulting
>>>>>> . 630 Woofter Ave?Colby, KS 67701
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .

>>>>>> .
>>>>>> .
>>>>>> . Connecting Point Durango
>>>>>> . 835 Main Avenue #215?Durango, CO 81301
>>>>>>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> James
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>>>>>>
>>>>>> Dedic Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>>>> >James - Lamont pointed out the Nuendo on OSX is a Nuendo issue -
>=
>>>>it's
>>>>>>only
>>>>>> >relevant to Nuendo users considering a platform.
>>>>>> >
>>>>>> >As far as hardware? Macs are no longer different in the chipset
>>>>>>department
>>>>>> >(cpu), unless they will still be relegated to motherboards with
a
>>=
>>>>locked
>>>>>> >bios chip (e.g. Mac/OSX specific). Therein would lie the same =
>>>>problem
>>>> we
>>>>>> >are facing now - to fix our lemon dual G4 would cost \$700 for a
new
>>>>>> >motherboard. If it were a PC I could replace it for less than =
>>>>\$100.
>>>>>>Also,
>>>>>> >replacing the bad "superdrive" (won't burn CDs anymore - just =
>>>>DVDs),
>>>> is
>>>>>> >limited to spec'd drives (one I believe, not the 25 or so I have
>=
>>>>options
>>>>>> for
>>>>>> >on my PC). Anything else might not even work, according to Apple.
>>> =
>>>>With
>>>>>> a
>>>>>> >PC, that would be a 5 minute, \$79 fix. I've also replaced the =
>>>>system
>>>>>>drive
>>>>>> >twice on this Mac. I've had 5 PCs and never had to do any of the
>>=
>>>>above.
>>>>>> >

>>>>>> >As far as software - sure if you need 3 operating systems, you can
>>>=
>>>>say
>>>>>you
>>>>>> >can run more software - at least open it. However, I've always
=
>>>>been
>>>>> able
>>>>>> to
>>>>>> >find whatever I needed for PC, but not so with our Macs - just last
>>>=
>>>>night
>>>>>> I
>>>>>> >tried to find a simple text editor (other than OSX's), but couldn't
>>>=
>>>>find
>>>>>> one
>>>>>> >that actually worked. I've run into more "problems" like this on
>>=
>>>>our
>>>>> OSX
>>>>>> >Mac than anywhere else, sad to say.
>>>>>> >
>>>>>> >In reality, Apple may seem to have narrowed the competitive gap
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>>>>between
>>>>>> Macs
>>>>>> >and PCs, but they have also further blurred the line that separates
>>>=
>>>>them
>>>>>> >from a PC functionally and technically - it all could backfire once
>>>=
>>>>users
>>>>>> >start to see them as even more interchangeable (e.g. price is =
>>>>always
>>>>> the
>>>>>> >first deciding factor for the majority of buyers in any market).
>>>>>> >
>>>>>> >In fact, unlocking OSX to run on any Intel platform could be either
>>>=
>>>>the
>>>>>> best
>>>>>> >move they make, or the last. That's really all that's left to set
>>>=
>>>>Macs
>>>>>> >apart now... They don't win on repair costs, hardware costs, or
>>>>>>widespread
>>>>>> >availability (one Apple service center in Co. Springs - tons of

PC

>>>=

>>>>repair

>>>>>> >options, including Geek Squad for those so inclined... if you don't

>>>=

>>>>do

>>>>> yo

>>>>>>ur

>>>>>>> >own). With a starting price of \$2500 for a new Mac, they aren't

>=

>>>>exactly

>>>>>> >competing for a larger market share now - pretty much the same as

>>=

>>>>every

>>>>>> new

>>>>>>> >model before. As analysts have observed, Apple will have a hard

>=

>>>>time

>>>>>>> >winning the corporate/server market, and that's where their prices

>>>=

>>>>put

>>>>>>>them.

>>>>>>>> >

>>>>>>>> >So, why would I want to run Windows or Unix on more expensive, =

>>>>>closed,

>>>>>>>and

>>>>>>>> >costly to repair, and impossible to upgrade hardware platform?

|

>>=

>>>>don't.

>>>>>>> It

>>>>>>>> >just doesn't make economic sense. Great marketing tactic for those

>>>=

>>>>that

>>>>>>> >haven't used both though.

>>>>>>>> >

>>>>>>>> >Regards,

>>>>>>>> >Dedric

>>>>>>>> >

>>>>>>>> >On 8/8/06 4:07 PM, in article 44d90b0c\$1@linux, "James McCloskey"

>>>>>>>> ><excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>>>>>>>> >

>>>>>>>> >>

>>>>>>>>> >> I don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it

ran

>>>=

>>>>well

>>>>>>> on

>>>>>> >> a Mac??? If it's a problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in
>>=
>>>>short
>>>>>> order.
>>>>>> >>
>>>>>> >> As far as mac hardware goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different
>>=
>>>>chips.
>>>>>> >> Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC,
>=
>>>>and
>>>> they
>>>>>> have
>>>>>> >> for years. For some that will be worth the price of admission,
>>=
>>>>for
>>>>>>others
>>>>>> >> it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and Windows
>>>>>>software
>>>>>> >> since the early 90s, and UNIX since 2001. You can run more =
>>>>software
>>>>>>than
>>>>>> >> a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. It's just
>>>>>>easier,
>>>>>> >> faster and less expensive now. That could only be good for a
=
>>>>studio.
>>>>>> >>
>>>>>> >> I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, but it will be hard to =
>>>>compete
>>>>>>with
>>>>>> >> what apple is offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek,
>>=
>>>>high
>>>>>> end
>>>>>> >> machine. Look at the comparative costs to the Dell in the WWDC
>>=
>>>>video.
>>>>>> Sure
>>>>>> >> you can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same.

>=
>>>>You'll
>>>>>> save
>>>>>> >> money up front, but not in the long run when you have to spend
>=
>>>>hours
>>>>>>tweaking,

>>>>>> >> and fussing just to get your generic machine to work right.
>>>>>> >>
>>>>>> >> Once again for me it's ease of use, less headaches, and time.

>=
>>>>And
>>>> then
>>>>>> >> there's
>>>>>> >> the software, I hate software that gets in the way. By the way,
>>>=
>>>>if
>>>> you
>>>>>> want
>>>>>> >> to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC Keynote video;)
>>>>>> >>
>>>>>> >> <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qtv/wwdc06/>
>>>>>> >>
>>>>>> >> James
>>>>>> >>
>>>>>> >>
>>>>>> >> Detric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>>>> >>> Six months? Once more woodcrest chips are available you should
>>>=
>>>>be
>>>>>>able
>>>>>> >> to
>>>>>> >>> build one now. Now it seems the battle is between OSX and =
>>>>Windows.
>>>>>> While
>>>>>> >>> this was a good move for Apple to get a faster and better =
>>>>hardware
>>>>>>system,
>>>>>> >>> it did narrow the distinction between the Mac and PC.
>>>>>> >>>
>>>>>> >>> It will be interesting to see which turns in better performance
>>>>>>numbers
>>>>>> >> on
>>>>>> >>> Nuendo tests with the same hardware in place - e.g. which OS
is
>>>=
>>>>most
>>>>>> bloated
>>>>>> >>> (given that it would ASIO vs. Core Audio, which is apples and
>>>>>>oranges).
>>>>>> >>>
>>>>>> >>> The main reason I've stayed with PCs (despite having been down
>>=
>>>>the

>>>> Mac
>>>>> path
>>>>>> >>> a couple of times) is price for the performance, ease of repair
>>>=
>>>>and
>>>>>lower
>>>>>> >>> repair costs, much larger pool of available software, and now,
>>>>>>FXTeleport.
>>>>>> >>> I don't particularly like Windows. In fact I don't even =
>>>>generically
>>>>>> like
>>>>>> >>> Windows. OSX looks cool, but it seems to be problematic for
=
>>>>Nuendo
>>>>>>users.
>>>>>> >>>
>>>>>> >>> Dedic
>>>>>> >>>
>>>>>> >>> On 8/8/06 7:29 AM, in article 44d891c8@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>>>> >>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>>> >>>
>>>>>> >>>>
>>>>>> >>>> You don't need a Mac, your a PC guy. Besides, with in six =
>>>>months
>>>>>>you'll
>>>>>> >>>> be able to build a PC that is as fast for less money.
>>>>>> >>>>
>>>>>> >>>> James
>>>>>> >>>>
>>>>>> >>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:
>>>>>> >>>>>> Are these dual core Woodcrest CPU's the most recent ones that
>>>=
>>>>will
>>>>>> >>>>>> outperform the Opterons? It does, indeed, look like a lot
of
>>>>>> >>>>>> machine.....not that I would ever be interested in a Mac,
>=
>>>>you
>>>>>>understand.
>>>>>> >>>>>>
>>>>>> >>>>>> ;oD
>>>>>> >>>>>>
>>>>>> >>>>>>
>>>>>> >>>>>> "James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>>>>>> >>>>>> news:44d7ba40\$1@linux...
>>>>>> >>>>>>
>>>>>> >>>>>>> Check out the stuff about expansion. It all looks =
>>>>interesting,


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>>>>business owner on the internet, this is what I saw. Note, I put TWO 3ghz
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>>>>core xeon's in this config, a 160 GB disk, 3 year onsite =
>>>>repair/replacement=20
>>>>warranty, a 19" Flat Panel and a GB of RAM. Feel free to =
>>>>post=20
>>>>Apple specs, I'll match and I don't think you'll hit $4000 on the Dell,
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Subject: Re: New Super Power Macs Announced
Posted by [Jamie K](#) on Mon, 14 Aug 2006 03:28:12 GMT
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That's a weird one, Detric. I code my web site by hand in straight HTML using Apple's handy TextEdit. This has worked fine for years using several different G4 and G5 Macs.

I have TextEdit set to "plain text." I save with ".html" as the extension. Make sure you are showing extensions in the file requester so you don't end up with something like ".html.txt" - which would confuse any browser.

Speaking of editing the site, gotta go change a gig date...

Cheers,
-Jamie
<http://www.JamieKruz.com>

Detric Terry wrote:

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> Textedit - I only needed to edit a simple html file in Textedit. Once saved  
> (prefs set for html 4.0 strict, text only, etc), it would no longer open in  
> any browser when I posted it. It wasn't the code. I checked. So I decided  
> to try some others from www.tucows.com (great resource if you aren't  
> familiar with it).  
>  
> Every single text editor I downloaded (demos, freeware, shareware) failed to  
> work. Most installed fine, but some wouldn't run (probably not compatible  
> with 10.4), another wouldn't see html files in any form (e.g. greyed out in  
> file browser, which btw, you can't fake some OSX apps out of), and yet  
> another wouldn't open any files (no kidding, one didn't have an option to  
> open a file...that was the biggest laugh I've had in a long time).  
>  
> A 30 second task that turned into a 30 minute joke. Sure, a Text Editor  
> problem seems quite silly, and it is. And that's the point. After all the  
> Mac vs. PC ads and debates about how easy a Mac is to use, I couldn't resist
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> tossing this one out there as a real world counterpoint - it's no more
> obscure than the ads' arguments, or arguments that being able to running
> Unix and Windows makes a Mac more "open". You can leave a door standing
> wide open all day long, but if no one walks through, does it really matter?

Subject: Re: New Super Power Macs Announced
Posted by [excelav](#) on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 04:28:20 GMT
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<http://blogs.zdnet.com/Apple/?p=265>

http://news.com.com/PC+users+cant+get+no+satisfaction/2100-1_041_3-6105569.html

James

"LaMont Davis" <jjdpro@ameritech.net> wrote:

>
>I'm sorry buddy :), but that "Apple Number#1 in customer support is false.
>Dell has had that distinction for 11 years running. JD Power and other industry
>metrics. Look it up.

>
>I'm a 20 year IT Dude, 10 with GM, and our standard desktop up until 1995
>was the Mac IIci(alltime favorite mac)!! the support Apple was spotty at
>best. But, when we went with DELL, we immediately saw difference in support
>quality. And to this day, Dell's customer support is in a league of their
>own. Just like Lexus, Dell continues to set the benchmark in support.

>
>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:

>>
>>Well I'll just speak to what I know of Apple. I was a dealer at one time,
>>and their service was outstanding. At the time they were number one the
>>the industry year after year.

>>
>>If you get a defective machine, you can return it within 30 days. Their
>>is a standard one year warranty on hardware. They will replace any thing
>>that is defective free of charge in that year. if you get the extended
>warranty
>>they will replace any thing that is defective free of charge for three
years,
>>including shipping. You can add the extended warranty any time in the
first
>>year, and they have extended that to me and others I know past the first
>>year.

>>
>>I had a head crash on a laptop at the end of my warranty, I had my laptop

>top
>>back in 48 hours with a new larger hard drive. Apple offered to back up
>>my old drive on my new drive even though my damaged hard drive was not
mechanically
>>working, it was just clicking and making a grinding noise.
>>
>>I had a doctor in rural AL. that had a problem with a Mac clone machine
>I
>>sold him. I couldn't find somebody to service that machine at his office.
>> I called Apple, they sent a guy out that fixed his clone machine with
in
>>two hours and charged less than the going rate.
>>
>>Those are just two of my experiences with Apple service. I think their
>pretty
>>good.
>>
>>I know that on other audio boards some people are still using the G4 FW800
>>machines. I'm not sure what was up with Rick's machine. Apple is known
>>for replacing the whole machine when a customer is really unhappy and there
>>has been a lot of repairs. However it sounds like Apple dropped the ball
>>on this one.
>>
>>I think a letter from an attorney would have gotten Ricks money back, time
>>is another story. There are Lemon laws that apply to computers also that
>>may still be exercisable.
>>
>>I'm sorry about what happened to Rick, it wasn't right.
>>
>>James
>>
>>"Aaron Allen" <nospam@not_here.dude> wrote:
>>>James, love ya man... but I have to take this one a little out of context
>>
>>>for humor's sake :)
>>>
>>>*Apple has vary quick turnaround.*
>>>
>>>Yup, they turned Rick around pretty quick and repeatedly as I remember..
>>
>>>poor uncle rick....
>>>
>>>AA
>>>
>>>
>>>"James McCloskey" <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote in message
>>>news:44d96ef8\$1@linux...
>>>>

>>>> I do use both platforms.
>>>>
>>>> You can put a Pioneer DVD drive in your Mac and it will work. Do a

>>>> search,
>>>> there are some Sony 16x models that will also work. Apple doesn't make
>>the
>>>> system drives, so I don't see how you can blame them for that. You might
>>>> want to call WD, Seagate, or whoever made the drive.
>>>>
>>>> I haven't looked at the inside of a new Mac, but I would bet that there
>>
>>>> are
>>>> some Apple chips in there, I'm thinking a ROM chip.
>>>>
>>>> Text editor, please, there are plenty of them out there that work, some
>>
>>>> are
>>>> free some are not. What's wrong with text edit?
>>>>
>>>> Here are some sites:
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>>>> http://www.alanwood.net/unicode/utilities_editors_macosx.htm I
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>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/textwrangler/>
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>>>> <http://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/>
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>>>> <http://www.nisus.com/Express/>
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>>>> <http://macromates.com/>
>>>>
>>>> <http://www.tex-edit.com/>
>>>>
>>>> <http://www.jedit.org/>
>>>>
>>>> <http://smultron.sourceforge.net/>
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>>>> Your right Apple MOBOs have always been expensive, they are like custom
>>
>>>> aircraft
>>>> parts, they just don't make enough of them to be cheap. You may be
able
>>>> to slap a PC MOBO in the new Mac Pro
>>>>
>>>> You're talking about a four or five year old machine as if it were a current
>>>> model. Which Dual do you have?
>>>>

>>>> I would bet that if you really looked you would find more Apple repair
>>
>>>> centers
>>>> and dealers in your area. CompUSA and I believe Best Buy also does service
>>>> now. You can always send your machine to Apple, they will even send
>out
>>>> a shipping box in some cases. Apple has vary quick turnaround.
>>>>
>>>> Some Apple service info:
>>>>
>>>> <http://www.apple.com/buy/locator/service.html>
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>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/products/>
>>>>
>>>> <http://www.apple.com/support/diy/>
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>>>> Here's a quick search of service locations in CO.:
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>>>> locations near Colorado Springs, CO
>>>> .
>>>> . Voelker Research
>>>> . 5026 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80918
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 7690 N Academy Blvd?Colorado Springs, CO 80920
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 8691 Park Meadows Center Dr?Littleton, CO 80124
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>>>> . Macmall
>>>> . 7355 E Orchard Rd #300?Englewood, CO 80111
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>>>> . CompUSA #672- Littleton
>>>> . 8601 West Cross Drive?Littleton, CO 80123
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>>>> . Netbuilders
>>>> . 3225 S Wadsworth Blvd Unit D?Lakewood, CO 80227
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 80 S Abilene Rd?Aurora, CO 80012
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>>>> . CompUSA
>>>> . 9230 Sheridan Blvd?Westminster, CO 80030
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>>>> . 1740 30th St?Boulder, CO 80301
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>>>> . Digital Systems Inc.
>>>> . 319j Aspen Airport Business Ctr?Aspen, CO 81611
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>>>> . Kolter.com LLC
>>>> . 305 W Colorado Ave?Trinidad, CO 81082
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>>>> . Power Technology Solutions Grp Inc.
>>>> . 112 S 3rd Ave?Sterling, CO 80751
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>>>> . Connecting Point
>>>> . 3223 E Pershing Blvd?Cheyenne, WY 82001
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>>>> . Collins Consulting
>>>> . 630 Woofter Ave?Colby, KS 67701
>>>> .
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>>>> .
>>>> . Connecting Point Durango
>>>> . 835 Main Avenue #215?Durango, CO 81301
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>>>> James
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>>>>
>>>> Dedric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>>>James - Lamont pointed out the Nuendo on OSX is a Nuendo issue - it's
>>only
>>>>>relevant to Nuendo users considering a platform.
>>>>>
>>>>>As far as hardware? Macs are no longer different in the chipset
>>>>>department
>>>>>(cpu), unless they will still be relegated to motherboards with a locked
>>>>>bios chip (e.g. Mac/OSX specific). Therein would lie the same problem
>>we
>>>>>are facing now - to fix our lemon dual G4 would cost \$700 for a new
>>>>>motherboard. If it were a PC I could replace it for less than \$100.
>
>>>>>Also,
>>>>>replacing the bad "superdrive" (won't burn CDs anymore - just DVDs),
>is
>>>>>limited to spec'd drives (one I believe, not the 25 or so I have options
>>>> for
>>>>>on my PC). Anything else might not even work, according to Apple.
With
>>>> a
>>>>>PC, that would be a 5 minute, \$79 fix. I've also replaced the system
>>
>>>>>drive
>>>>>twice on this Mac. I've had 5 PCs and never had to do any of the above.
>>>>>
>>>>>As far as software - sure if you need 3 operating systems, you can say
>>you
>>>>>can run more software - at least open it. However, I've always been
>able
>>>> to
>>>>>find whatever I needed for PC, but not so with our Macs - just last
night

>>>> I
>>>>>tried to find a simple text editor (other than OSX's), but couldn't
find
>>>> one
>>>>>that actually worked. I've run into more "problems" like this on our
>>OSX
>>>>>Mac than anywhere else, sad to say.
>>>>>
>>>>>In reality, Apple may seem to have narrowed the competitive gap between
>>>> Macs
>>>>>and PCs, but they have also further blurred the line that separates
them
>>>>>from a PC functionally and technically - it all could backfire once
users
>>>>>start to see them as even more interchangeable (e.g. price is always
>the
>>>>>first deciding factor for the majority of buyers in any market).
>>>>>
>>>>>In fact, unlocking OSX to run on any Intel platform could be either
the
>>>> best
>>>>>move they make, or the last. That's really all that's left to set Macs
>>>>>apart now... They don't win on repair costs, hardware costs, or
>>>>>widespread
>>>>>availability (one Apple service center in Co. Springs - tons of PC repair
>>>>>options, including Geek Squad for those so inclined... if you don't
do
>>
>>>>>your
>>>>>own). With a starting price of \$2500 for a new Mac, they aren't exactly
>>>>>competing for a larger market share now - pretty much the same as every
>>>> new
>>>>>model before. As analysts have observed, Apple will have a hard time
>>>>>winning the corporate/server market, and that's where their prices put
>>
>>>>>them.
>>>>>
>>>>>So, why would I want to run Windows or Unix on more expensive, closed,
>>and
>>>>>costly to repair, and impossible to upgrade hardware platform? I don't.
>>>> It
>>>>>just doesn't make economic sense. Great marketing tactic for those
that
>>>>>haven't used both though.
>>>>>
>>>>>Regards,
>>>>>Dedric
>>>>>

>>>>> On 8/8/06 4:07 PM, in article 44d90b0c\$1@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>>><excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>>
>>>>>>
>>>>>> I don't know about Nuendo, I was under the impression that it ran
well
>>>> on
>>>>>> a Mac??? If it's a problem, I'm sure they will get it fixed in short
>>>> order.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> As far as mac hardware goes, Mac is still a Mac, just different chips.
>>>>>> Software? Every Mac shipping will run more software than a PC, and
>they
>>>> have
>>>>>> for years. For some that will be worth the price of admission, for
>>
>>>>>> others
>>>>>> it's not important. Macs have been able to run Mac and Windows software
>>>>>> since the early 90s, and UNIX since 2001. You can run more software
>>
>>>>>> than
>>>>>> a PC, and all the Major operating systems on one box. It's just easier,
>>>>>> faster and less expensive now. That could only be good for a studio.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> I'm sure you can build a cheaper box, but it will be hard to compete
>>
>>>>>> with
>>>>>> what apple is offering today! The new Mac Pro is a cool, sleek, high
>>>> end
>>>>>> machine. Look at the comparative costs to the Dell in the WWDC video.
>>>> Sure
>>>>>> you can DIY, or roll your own, but it just won't be the same. You'll
>>>> save
>>>>>> money up front, but not in the long run when you have to spend hours
>>
>>>>>> tweaking,
>>>>>> and fussing just to get your generic machine to work right.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> Once again for me it's ease of use, less headaches, and time. And
>then
>>>>>> there's
>>>>>> the software, I hate software that gets in the way. By the way, if
>>you
>>>> want
>>>>>> to see more of Vista, watch the WWDC Keynote video;)
>>>>>>
>>>>>> <http://www.apple.com/quicktime/qtv/wwdc06/>
>>>>>>

>>>>> James
>>>>>
>>>>>
>>>>> Detric Terry <dterry@keyofd.net> wrote:
>>>>>> Six months? Once more woodcrest chips are available you should be
>>able
>>>>> to
>>>>>> build one now. Now it seems the battle is between OSX and Windows.
>>>> While
>>>>>> this was a good move for Apple to get a faster and better hardware
>>
>>>>>> system,
>>>>>> it did narrow the distinction between the Mac and PC.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> It will be interesting to see which turns in better performance numbers
>>>>>> on
>>>>>> Nuendo tests with the same hardware in place - e.g. which OS is most
>>>> bloated
>>>>>> (given that it would ASIO vs. Core Audio, which is apples and oranges).
>>>>>>
>>>>>> The main reason I've stayed with PCs (despite having been down the
>>Mac
>>>> path
>>>>>> a couple of times) is price for the performance, ease of repair and
>>
>>>>>> lower
>>>>>> repair costs, much larger pool of available software, and now,
>>>>>> FXTeleport.
>>>>>> I don't particularly like Windows. In fact I don't even generically
>>>> like
>>>>>> Windows. OSX looks cool, but it seems to be problematic for Nuendo
>>
>>>>>> users.
>>>>>>
>>>>>> Detric
>>>>>>
>>>>>> On 8/8/06 7:29 AM, in article 44d891c8@linux, "James McCloskey"
>>>>>> <excelsm@hotmail.com> wrote:
>>>>>>
>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>> You don't need a Mac, your a PC guy. Besides, with in six months
>>
>>>>>>>> you'll
>>>>>>>> be able to build a PC that is as fast for less money.
>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>> James
>>>>>>>>
>>>>>>>>> "DJ" <animix_spam-this-ahole_@animas.net> wrote:

