The OpenOffice.org Suite

Writer, Calc, Impress, etc.

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The OpenOffice Suite

A powerfull office suite

Mission statement

 To create, as a community, the leading international office suite that will run on all major platforms and provide access to all functionality and data through open-component based APIs and an XML-based file format

Goal

 OpenOffice.org aims to compete with Microsoft Office and emulate its look and feel where suitable

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OpenOffice

- open source software application suite
- runs under X Window Systems on most UNIX-compatible platforms
 - Microsoft Windows, Linux, Solaris, BSD, OpenVMS, OS/2 and IRIX
 - current primary development platforms are MS Windows, Linux and Solaris
- supports the ISO/IEC standard OpenDocument Format (ODF) for data interchange
- supports Microsoft Office formats among others
- as of November 2009, OpenOffice supports over 110 languages
- current version: OpenOffice.org 3.2 in January 2010 (alpha)
- OpenOffice.org 3.3: user interface overhauling (Impress first)

The OpenOffice Suite Components I.

Writer

- a word processor similar to Microsoft Word and WordPerfect
- export Portable Document Format (PDF) files natively
- functions as a basic WYSIWYG editor for creating and editing web pages

Calc

- a spreadsheet similar to Microsoft Excel and Lotus 1-2-3
- provides a number of features not present in Excel
 - including a system which automatically defines series for graphing
- exports spreadsheets to the PDF format

The OpenOffice Suite Components II.

Impress

- a presentation program similar to MS PowerPoint and Apple Keynote
- exports presentations to Adobe Flash (SWF) files (!)
- exports to PDF file, imports MS PowerPoint's .ppt format
- Impress lacks ready-made presentation designs
 - however, templates are readily available on Internet

Base

- a database (DB) management program similar to Microsoft Access
- may be used as front-end to a number of different DB systems, including Access databases (JET), ODBC data sources and MySQL/PostgreSQL
- allows the creation and manipulation of DBs, and the building of forms/reports to provide easy access to data for end-users
- Raw SQL code or graphical user interfaces can be used

The OpenOffice Suite Components III.

Draw

- a vector graphics editor and diagramming tool
- similar to MS Visio and comparable in features to early versions of CorelDRAW
- has similar features to DTP SW such as Scribus, MS Publisher

Math

- a tool for creating and editing mathematical formulae
 - similar to Microsoft Equation Editor
- Formulae can be embedded inside other OpenOffice.org documents
- supports multiple fonts, exports to PDF

The OpenOffice Suite Components IV.

Quickstarter

- small program for Windows and Linux that runs when the computer boots
- loads the core files and libraries for OpenOffice.org to allow to start more quickly the application

Basic

- programming language similar to MS Visual Basic for Applications (VBA)
- it is based on StarOffice Basic
- it is available in the Writer and Calc applications
- it is written in functions called subroutines or macros
 - each macro performing a different task, such as counting the words in a paragraph
 - especially useful in doing repetitive tasks that have not been integrated in the program

The OpenOffice Suite

Export - Imports

File Formats

- uses natively the OpenDocument file formats (ODF)
- reading legacy and current proprietary file formats:
 - WordPerfect through libwpd, StarOffice, Lotus Software, MS Works through libwps, Rich Text Formats
- read and writes Microsoft Office formats

MS compatibility

- MS Office 2007 SP2 is the first MS Office version that allows opening and saving OpenDocument text files (*.odt)
- Sun Microsystems also developed an ODF plugin for MS Office
 - it enables users of MS Office 2000, 2003, XP and 2007/SP1 (Word, Excel and PowerPoint) to read and write ODF documents
 - http://www.sun.com/software/star/odf_plugin/



The OpenOffice Suite Plugins

Extension

- Since version 2.0.4, OpenOffice.org has supported extensions in a similar manner to Mozilla Firefox
- it make easy to add new functionality to an existing OpenOffice.org installation
- As of September 2009 the OpenOffice.org Extension Repository lists more than 390 extensions.

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OpenOffice Writer

Word processor

OO Writer - similar to Microsoft Word and WordPerfect

- a modern, fully equipped word processor or desktop publisher
- it is simple enough for a quick memo, powerful enough to create complete books with contents, diagrams, indexes, etc

Export - Import

- Open Document Format 1.1 (its default format) (.odt)
 - You can access your documents from any OpenDocument compliant software
- Microsoft Word's DOC, DOCX, RTF and XHTML
- exports to PDF files natively, including bookmarks
- From version 3.0 OO-Writer can also open .docx files created with MS Office 2007 or MS Office 2008 for Mac OS X

OpenOffice Writer

Word processor - Features I

Features

- Templates: it is free to create the own templates, or download templates from our Extensions repository
 - http://templates.services.openoffice.org/
- Styles sheets
- Page-layout methods, including frames, columns, and tables
 - as desktop publishing tasks for newsletters, flyers, etc
- Embedding or linking of graphics, spreadsheets, and other objects
- Built-in drawing tools
- Master documents to group a collection of documents into a single document
- Database integration, including a bibliography database

OpenOffice Writer

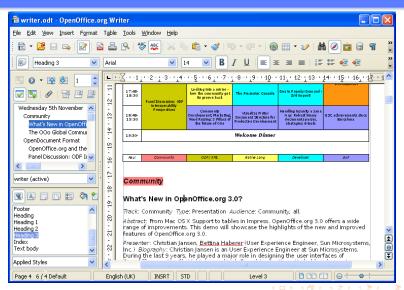
Word processor - Features II

Features

- Equation editor (OpenOffice.org Math)
- Indexing
 - Increase the usefulness of your long, complex documents by generating a table of contents or indexing terms, bibliographical references, illustrations, tables, and other objects
- AutoCorrect, AutoComplete
 - other as the default language dictionary possible

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OpenOffice Calc - Spreadsheet

similar to MS Excel, roughly equivalent range of features

Export - Import

- its default format ist Open Document Format 1.1 (.ods)
 - You can access your documents from any OpenDocument compliant software
- read/write for: CSV, HTML, SXC, DBF, DIF, UOF, SLK, SDC and others file formats
- exports spreadsheets directly to PDF files
- saves files in the .dbf (the old dBASE database file) format
 - dbf is a legacy format, some programs (e.g. ESRI's ArcGIS) use the dbf for handling all spreadsheet data

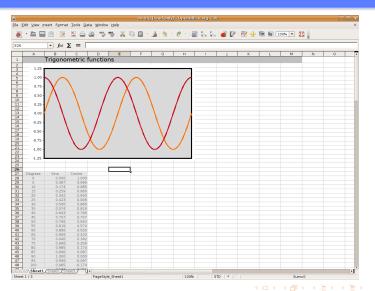
Special features

support for a large number of functions, including those for imaginary numbers, financial, statistical functions, etc.



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OpenOffice Impress

Presentations

OO Impress features

- outstanding tool for creating effective multimedia presentations
- stands out with 2D and 3D clip art, special effects, animation, and high-impact drawing tools
- additional templates by the OO Extensions repository
- A complete range of Views are supported:
 - Drawing / Outline / Slides / Notes / Handouts
- supports multiple monitors:
 - presenters can look at something else while presenting their slides
- Presenter Console Extension:
 - lets you see next slides, the time, the speaker notes
- Slide show Animation and Effects:
 - Fontworks provides stunning 2D and 3D images from text
 - Create lifelike 3D images with fast speed and response



OpenOffice Impress File types

Export - Import

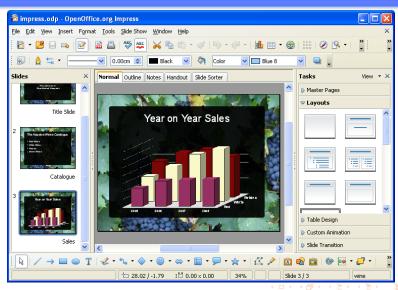
- its default format is Open Document Format 1.1 (.odp)
 - access possible from any OpenDocument compliant software
- exports to PDF and Flash (.swf) files natively
- read/write MS .ppt formats

Lack

- Impress lacks ready-made presentation designs
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OpenOffice Base

OO Database features

- BASE is a fully featured desktop database management system designed to meet the needs of a broad array of users
 - just tracking your personal CD collection
 - producing a corporate monthly departmental sales report
- offers wizards to create Tables, Queries, Forms and Reports
- has a set of predefined table definitions, e.g. for:
 - tracking Assets, Customers, Sales Orders, Invoices, etc
- for a personal use database it offers
 - the full HSQL relational database engine configured for single user
 - the data stored right in the BASE file
- for power users it delivers native support drivers for:
 - MySQL, Adabas D, MS Access and PostgreSQL
 - JDBC and ODBC standard drivers allows you to connect to virtually any existing database
 - can act as a GUI frontend for SQL views, table design, query

OpenOffice Base

File types

Features

• from version 2.3, offers report generation based on Pentaho software

Compatibility

- integrates into the other OpenOffice suite applications supplying address book data
 - for mail merge in WRITER by the LDAP protocol,
 - common address book formats: MS Outlook, MS Windows and Mozilla

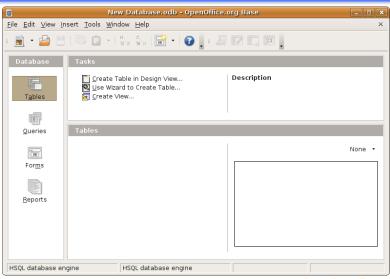
Database types

- it is based on the HSQLDB database engine written in Java
- can connect to external full-featured SQL databases:
 - MySQL, PostgreSQL
 - even Oracle through ODBC or JDBC drivers

Abbreviations:

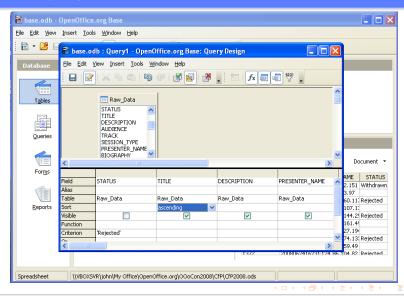
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Create DB panel



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Query design



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OpenOffice Draw

Draw - a vector graphics editor

00 Draw features

- Draw is similar to Microsoft Publisher
- includes many features found in desktop publishing software
- you can use the Open Clip Art Library
 - gallery of flags, logos, icons and banners for general presentation and drawing projects
- powerful tool for technical or general posters, etc (max size 300cm x 300cm)
- manipulate objects:
 - rotate in two or three dimensions
 - the 3D controller puts spheres, rings, cubes, etc
- arrange objects:
 - group, ungroup, regroup, and edit objects while grouped
- sophisticated rendering let you create photorealistic images
 - texture, lighting effects, transparency, perspective available

OpenOffice Draw File types

Features

- smart connectors make short work of flowcharts, organisation charts, network diagrams
- picture Gallery is available for clipart

File types

- its default format is Open Document Format 1.1 (.odg)
 - access possible from any OpenDocument compliant software
- exports to PDF and Flash (.swf) files natively

Export - Import

- import graphics from all common formats (including BMP, GIF, JPEG, PNG, TIFF, and WMF)
- currently supports exporting to SVG format officially, though with some limitations
- import of SVG format is not implemented

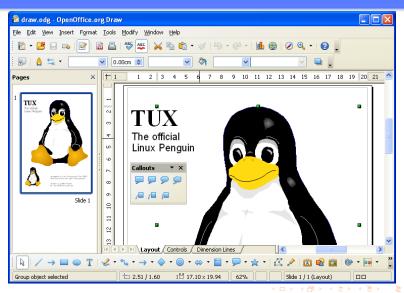
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Openclipart packages

uhu:~> sudo apt-get install openclipart Reading package lists... Done Building dependency tree... Done The following extra packages will be installed: openclipart-openoffice.org openclipart-png openclipart-svg Suggested packages: gimp-svg sodipodi sketch Recommended packages: librsvg2-bin The following NEW packages will be installed: openclipart openclipart-openoffice.org openclipart-png openclipart-svg 0 upgraded, 4 newly installed, 0 to remove and 1 not upgraded. Need to get 193MB of archives. After unpacking 370MB of additional disk space will be used. Do you want to continue [Y/n]? n

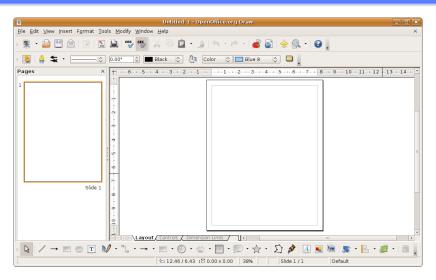
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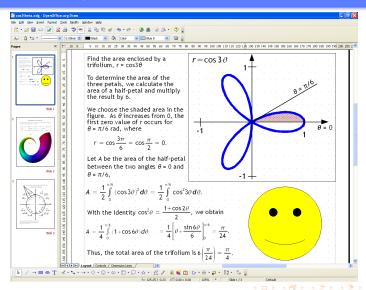
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Complex drawing



Further information

Links

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