Unix on OS/2: Providing a UNIX-like environment on OS/2 and eCS



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Motivation – why do we need UNIX

- Lots of server applications: Samba, Apache...
- GUI often separated/not included
- Many useful little and big helpers
- Some interesting full blown applications like GIMP, Chandler...
- Often good scripting support
- Interesting stuff like CUPS, LDAP...



•The past: EMX

- First UNIX-like environment
- Based on old POSIX standard
- Incomplete
- Some slow/ugly hacks (like fork)



The present: Innotek LIBC

- Initial work by Innotek for Mozilla
- (Almost) latest GCC compilers are available
- Many libraries were ported by Knut St. Osmundsen
- Mainly developed by Knut now in his sparetime
- More and more programmers start to use it
- Yuri Dario provides EDM/2 article about porting



The future: Beyond LIBC

- Missing: pthreads
- Missing: Some IPC stuff (semaphores, shared memory)
- Missing: select() on non sockets
- LXAPI32 by Stefan Milcke
- Provide all basic libraries used nowadays
- FHS-like environment



Some Ideas

- WPS Integration: Samba, RPM, CDRecord...
- Everblue: Reloaded
- emerge/RPM build & install made easy
- Commit to original CVS/SVN repositories
- Fill the missing gaps in OS/2 and eCS



Support

- Electronic Developer Magazine/2 finaly reloaded!
- Gmane.org Mailinglists: UnixOS2, UX2BS, Xfree86/OS2
- New mailinglists can be created if necessary



Questions

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