1 Administrivia

Announcements

Introduction, quiz, lab.

Assignment

No assignment.

From Last Time

Hardware show and tell.

Outline

1. Introduction.
2. Lab.

Coming Up

Lab.
2 Introduction

1. Why buy more RAM when my PC is slow?

2. What is a basic PC today? Why might I want more or less? Example system: HP Pavilion 2800+, $530, after rebate.

   (a) AMD Athlon XP processor 2800+ with Quantispeed architecture and 333 MHz frontside bus.

   (b) 512 MB PC2700 DDR SRAM (watch out for video sharing).

       Integrated graphics with “64 MB shared video memory.”

   (c) 80 GB Ultra DMA hard drive (7200 RPM).

   (d) DVD-ROM/CD-RW combo drive.

   (e) 9-in-1 media card reader, 2 FireWire ports 7 USB 2.0 ports. No serial or parallel ports.

   (f) V.92 modem and/or 10/100Base-T Ethernet networking interface.

   (g) Integrated audio. No speakers.

   (h) 15” or 17” monitor (often not included).

   (i) Basic $100 inkjet printer (often not included).

3. Notebook PCs.


5. Why might I want a MAC?

3 Lab