

Computer and Networking Lab

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1 Administrivia

Announcements

Quiz on Friday. Question and answer period now. Remember sample quiz and solution.

Assignment

No online quiz. Study for written quiz.

From Last Time

Hardware show and tell.

Outline

1. Introduction.
2. Lab.

Coming Up

Lab, quiz.

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 model a300n, \$500.
 - (a) 2.6 GHz Intel Celeron (or Pentium or AMD processor).
 - (b) 256 MB RAM (watch out for video sharing).

Graphics with “up to 32 MB shared video memory.”
 - (c) 40 GB hard drive.
 - (d) CD-ROM, **CD-RW**, or DVD-ROM drive.
 - (e) 56K modem **and**/or network interface card.
 - (f) Audio, speakers.
 - (g) 15” or 17” monitor (often **not included**).
 - (h) Basic \$100 inkjet printer (often **not included**).
3. Notebook PCs.
4. Good brands. Good places to buy.
5. Why might I want a MAC?

3 Lab