

The Directions of KOffice

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Who am I?

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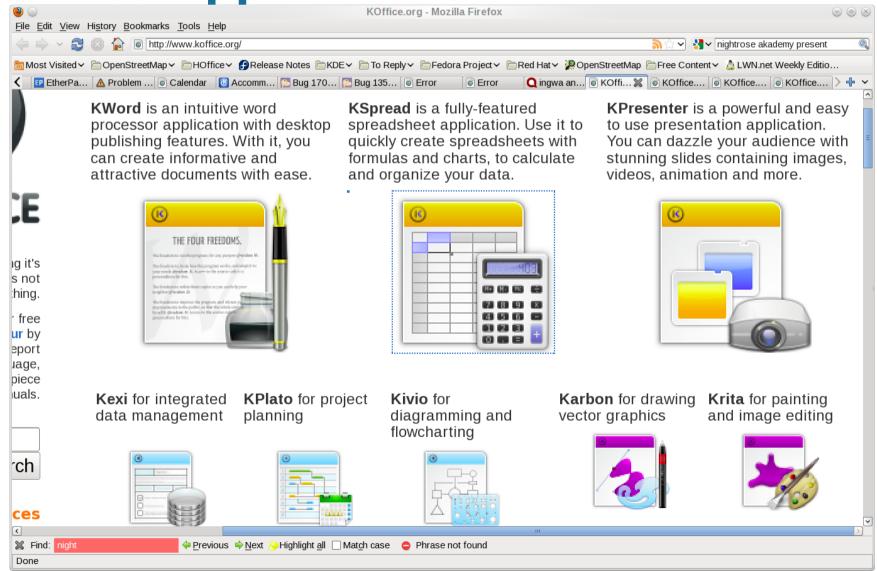
KOffice Contains:

- According to the KOffice White Paper:
 - An open source based Office Suite
 - A set of File Conversion Programs
 - A Library of Plugins
 - A set of **Toolkits and libraries** to create and manipulate office documents

www.kde.org



KOffice Applications





KOffice Demo





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A Bit of History

- Very old project: Started 1998
- Last 1.x was 1.6, released **Oct 2006**
 - 1.6.3 released Jun 2007
- Version 2.0 released May 2009
 - Technology preview
- Latest stable: 2.2 in May 2010



History: The Plights of KOffice

- Two really large changes:
 - Moving from own fileformats to OpenDocument
 - Moving from Qt3/KDE3 to Qt4/KDE4
 - --> a VERY long time before 2.0
- Many thought KOffice was dead.
 - We now have a GOOD base platform



New Features in the Latest Release 2.2

- Kexi is back!
- New import filters for MSOOXML formats
- Metadata handling (ODF 1.2)
- More ODF features rendered everywhere
- New UI / Platform: Maemo 5
- Library cleanups





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The Directions of KOffice

- Moving towards full OpenDocument support
 - ODF 1.2 released in October
- New Platforms
 - Windows
 - Maemo 5
 - Mac OS X coming



The Directions of KOffice (2)

- New user interfaces
 - Mobile already there (Maemo 5)
- More and better filters
 - Particularly Microsoft formats
 - Mostly import for now.
- New applications and plugins



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Towards Full ODF 1.2 Support

- Open Formula in Kspread
- Metadata with RDF
 - Demo
- Many small additions



KOffice on Different Platforms

- Problem is normally not KOffice but the dependencies
 - DBUS!
- Sometimes also resources
 - CPU/RAM/etc on embedded platforms
- Qwidgets vs QgraphicsView
- Demo of KOffice on Windows



New Types of User Interfaces

- Other form factors (smaller!)
- Touch screens
- Other profiles
 - Viewers
 - Simplifiede.g.





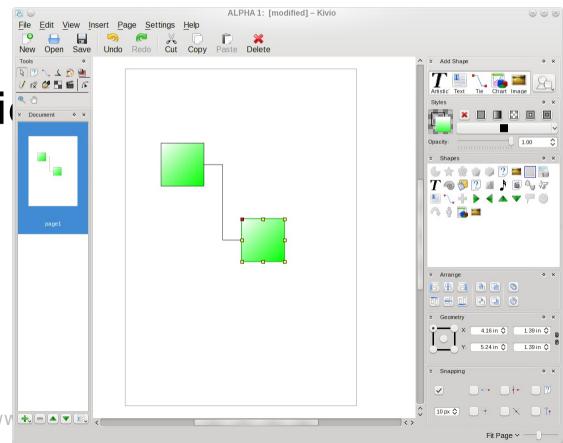
Filter Architecture for Import/Export

- Filters are file format converters
 - Can be combined (chained)
 - Stand-alone command line tool
- New features coming
 - Handle embedded documents
 - Common library for MS formats
 - For PPT already auto-generated parser from an XML-based description



New KOffice Applications

- Kivio, diagram editor
 - Almost karbon, but with a stencil library
- Mindmap appl.
 - Still only a treeview





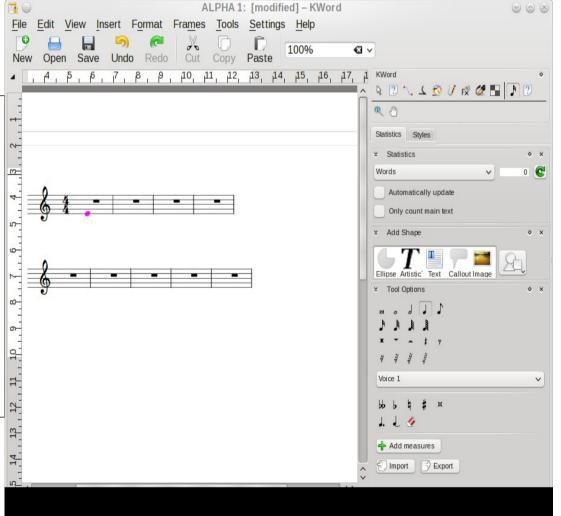
Creating new Plugins

Shape plugins

Shape Factory

Shape
- load+store
- paint
- store

Tool
(optional)
- handle events
- Manipulate the shape
- Create option window





Conclusion

KOffice is developing

Quickly
In All Directions
Join Now!

