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Improvements to all components

- Chart
- Writer
- · Calc
- Base
- Draw
- Impress

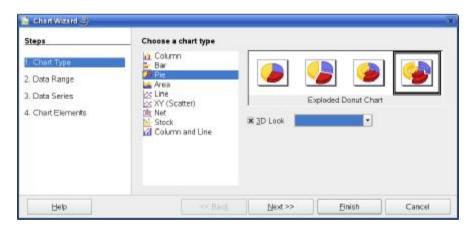




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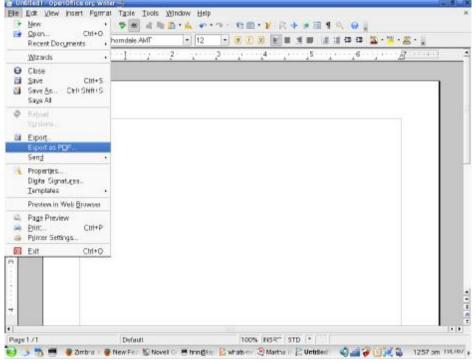
Chart

- Major revamp for 2.3
- Creation of charts more logical and simple
- Default Chart appearance has been improved
- 3D Charts greatly improved in appearance and ease of creation
- New Chart types including "Exploding Donut"
- Improved data editor



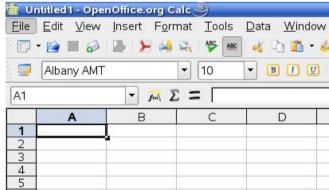
Writer

- The way writer displays various pages has been improved
- A new filter for exporting to MediaWiki has been included



Calc

- Calc now supports in line matrix/array constants in formulas
- Summation has been made more powerful and more intuitive
- The display of error values has been made more userfriendly
- Compatibility with Microsoft Excel has been improved with workarounds for cotangent functions



Base

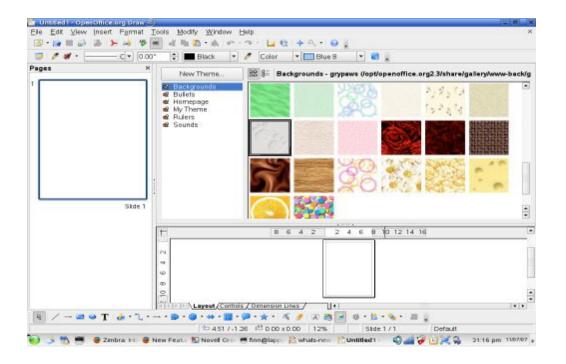
- New "Report Builder" extension
- Further keyboard shortcut improvements





Draw

- A number of accessibility improvements
- Support for PNG images when exporting to HTML



Impress

 The much-loved 'move along curve' animation feature has been re-introduced, despite claims that over-use could easily create sea-sickness among sensitive members of an audience



OpenOffice Extensions

- Great deal of work producing new extensions
 - Report Builder
 - eFax

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- Web 2.0 collaboration and document management
- Auto Text
- Language Tool



Basic Considerations

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- OpenOffice is fully Open Source
 - Extensions are beyond one company:
 - > Open XML Convertor
- OpenOffice will always be Open Source (LGPL)
 - Once codes is released under the LGPL it can not be relicensed
- OpenOffice uses current industry standards (OASIS)
- Both documents can be read and written by both Microsoft Office and Open Office



Word over Writer



- Grammar Checker, built in
- Some Word Macro compatibility
- Online Collaboration and Smart Tags
- Animated Text

Writer over Word

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- Creating PDFs
- Simplicity
- Extensible Grammar Checker
- HTML Production is generally considered "cleaner"
- Web Log integration
- Writer Macros
- Advanced Find and Replace (searching for fonts or attributes)
- File Size

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Major Australian Deployments of OpenOffice

- Judicial Commission, NSW
- University of Melbourne
- De Bortoli Wines
- MIP Holdings

Novell. An Enterprise Environment

- The Company
 - Over 5000 employees
 - Over 100 offices world wide
 - 40% of workforce outside of traditional office



Conversion to OpenOffice

- Target 100% of Novell using Open Office
- Success Criteria:
 - New documents get created using OpenOffice
 - Internal Collaboration done with OpenOffice
- Results:
 - 100% compliance on installing the software
 - Over 95% were actually using it for routine work
- Potential Impediments to further adoption and use:
 - Collaboration with external parties solved in 00 2.x
 - Application plug-ins (Office is the std); solved in OO 2.x
 - Complex document conversion requires assistance; solved in OO 2.x
 - Spreadsheets and VB Macros; solved in OO 2.x

Lessons Learned

- **OO is feature rich -** macro's, database connections, pivot tables, transitions, indexing
- **Training** There are a lot of resources out there quick reference, books, web sites, CBT
- Get the software in people's hands it will accelerate the pace of group migration
- **Documents fall into three buckets -** just open it; need some help; create a report or application
- The best way to get people to move is to put executive documents in OO - target these
- Keep your workforce informed build momentum from the top-down



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