Integrated Office Agenda

- + Introduction
- . Integated Office
 - . Market Overview
 - . Vision
 - . User Activities
 - . Benefits
- · Schedule
- · Process
- + Issues

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Introduction

- Just getting started ·
- · Past efforts give head start
 - + UI convergence
 - + OLE
 - + OB
 - Our great apps
- . This meeting
 - · Review overall direction
 - . Get laput
 - . Start brainstorming

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Market Rationale for Integrated Office

- Dramatic increase in demand for "Office Suite" type products
- Consistency and integration are becoming important software purchase criteria
- Leverage our control of platform technology
 - . Allow our apps to auticipate the coming "left turn" of platform
 - Repeat advantage we gained from bet on Windows
- High development cost increase entry barrier for competitors

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Why Is This Is Not Another Symphony/Framework?

- · Components will be proven best of breed
- · Integrated Office will be open architecture (?)
- Single components already merging UI: fewer artificial compromises

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Integrated Office Vision

- · Combines world-class applications
 - . Product-specific features continue to evolve
 - Sim-ship with stand alone products
- + Feels like one application
 - . Strong unifying metaphors
 - . Cross-app activities are as easy as in-app activities
 - . Unifies activities that are common across document types
 - . High performance and efficient working set
- Extensible and configurable
 - . Components can be added, removed or replaced
 - . Easy to use tools for building and customizing UI
 - Programmable
- Microsoft's highest-volume desktop product

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Key User Activities (excluding category-specific features)

- . Working with documents
 - . Creating, using modifying, saving documents
 - . Working with compound documents
 - . Working with groups of documents
- · Working with other users
 - . Mail, BBS, routing, doc library, collaboration
 - . Most of these are not product-specific
- · Working with information
 - . Finding retrieving analyzing updating database access

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Key User Activities (cont.)

- · Customizing
 - . Adjusting UI
 - Adding/removing capabilities
 - . Automating tasks
 - . Building new systems with Office components
 - May be done by: end user, MIS, ISVs or Microsoft (at different levels, of sophistication)
- · Learning
 - . Consistency, help, cue cards, help channel, tip witard

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Benefits to End Users

- · Synergy between applications
- · Easier to work with mixed document types
- · Products more closely tailored to their needs
 - by themselves
 - . by their MIS departments
 - . by ISVs
 - . by Microsoft
- · Freedom to choose appropriate apps
 - . high vs low end
 - specialized apps
- · Reduced working sets.
- · Higher performance for mixed app activities
- · Easier installation and upgrading

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Benefits to MIS & System Integrators,

- . Platform for targeted solutions
 - . Ensier to create solutions targeted at exact requirements
 - . Office as run-time for custom solutions
 - Ensier to maintain
 - More rabust
 - . Building blocks for down sizing
 - Opportunity for 3rd parties to offer add-ins, vertical products or services
 - . Security?
 - + Real time processing?



- · Business Opportunity
- · Reduced training costs

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Benefits to Microsoft

- + More customers buy the office suite
- + Lock in users, lock out competition
- · More features possible through extensibility
- Development efficiency
- · Opportunity for industry-specific solutions
- Steady revenue flow through annual licenses
- "Paradigm shift"
 - . New class of application; integrated but open
- · ORGANIZATIONAL

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Integrated Office Contents

- . Standard Edition
 - . Word processer (Word)
 - . Spreadsheet (Excel)
 - · Presentation (Powerpoint)
 - + Drawing
 - Charting
 - . List manager (low end database)
 - · PIM (Ren?)
 - . ISAM? Query Tool? Document library?
- "Professional Edition" adds
 - High end database (Access)
 - . Data analysis (Alchemy)
 - . Other add-ins
 - . OB development environment

. Library of custom controls

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"Hene Office"

"small Biz office"

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Also Interfaces Tightly With

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Mail

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- + PIM (Ren)
- + BBS (Cairo, Notes?)
- · Document routing
- · Project management
- + Smart office equipment
- . Hand-held computers
- + Notes?

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User Concepts to Unify (Also implies code sharing)

- . Charting Drawing
- . Tool bar/tool bur centermization
- . Options/Settings
- · Proofing tooks
- . Print Preview
- MeΩ
- Document Library
- · Property sheets e.g. Foul, borders
- Styles
- . Print layout, henders, footers, etc. -
- . Werkbooks
- · Outlining
- Tables/spreadsheet grid
- . Annotation
- Naming
- UI custombation
- Add-in management

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Other Code to Unify

- . Event loop
- Layer
- . Messory manager
- Unde kundler
- . Forms
- OLE support
- . Rich text cities
- Filters
- Receie
- . Data soccas
- . OB

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UI Demos & Examples

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- · Mini-Office
 - . Floating tool bar/fauncher for office apps
- Workbook
 - Integrated Office container based on the Excel 5 workbook metaphor

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- · Pure object oriented, document centric interface
 - . SDI
 - Provides consistent container hierarchy starting at compound document components all the way up to the shell
 - . Unify frames and Windows
- · Minimize number of concepts user needs to know
- + De emphasize menu bar
- Emphazise popup menus and property sheets

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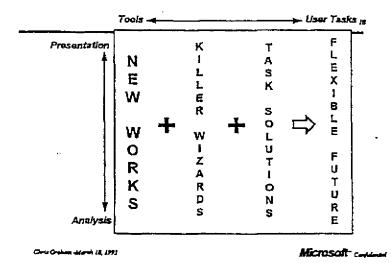
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- Spectrum of uses ranges from Tools to Wizards to User Tasks
- Product should be designed to accommodate spectrum
- Focus is on creating engines or servers that are UI independent

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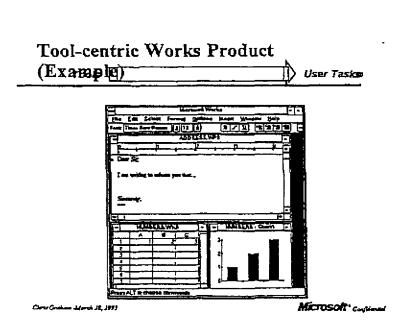
Product Spectrum



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Tools User Tasks Set of applications is fixed. Templates are passive. Set of wizards is fixed. Wizards are appendages.



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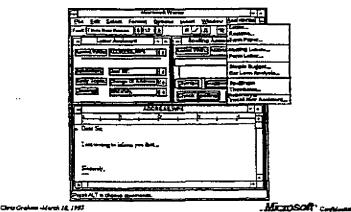
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- Set of applications is still fixed.
- Templates are active and generate events.
- Wizards are installable integrated components.
- Wizards get extensive control over document content without any "special" work by architecture or engine teams.
- Wizards become mini-lask solutions that work as "assistants" to the Works tools.
- Wizards can be invoked either in the context of a tool or on their own, in which case they bring up a template document.

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Works With Killer Wizards		
(Example)	<u> </u>	User Tasks
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Works With Task Solutions D User Tasks

- Set of applications can be configured at runtime.
- · Set of applications includes task solutions.
- · Templates are active and generate events.
- · Wizards are installable integrated components.
- Task solutions get their own command sets (e.g. menu commands, toolbar buttons) just like standard Works tools do.
- Task contions can expose only the engine functionality that is relevant to the task at hand.
- Works tools can be used to perform ad-hoc analysis or create presentations derived from data that was originally extend into task documents.

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Integrated Office Process (propusal)

Is this the best process? Other alternatives?

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- · Confirm vision and fill in details
 - . Interop, apps marketing, DAD product groups
- Write spec and develop prototype
 - . Interop/Word/Excel partnership
 - . Interop starts asap (need to staff up)
 - Word and Excel each assign a full time program manager as soon as available
- Investigate code sharing, modularity, other technical challenges
 - . Initially an Interop/Word/Excel partnership
 - Proposal: Word and Excel each assign 1 or 2 developers to work together merging the code looking for what can be shared.
 - . Interop starts thinking about necessary architecture
- + Provide input to Chicago, Cairo, OB and forms effort

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Other Related Activities

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- + Ship OLE 2.0: OLE 16, Mac OLE, NT OLE
- + Ship 1993 apps with "core feature set"
- + Chicago phase OLE
 - Meet with product groups to determine feature set (Must include capability for extensible interfaces)
 - . Develop and ship in time for Chicago
- . Determine "Core Features" for Chicago phase apps
 - . DG has already started this
- · Coordinate implementation of programmability
 - . Want to limit divergence
 - Create a small IDG-like team (in Interop?) to coordinate product groups work on exposing OB interfaces. Associated with Int. Orf.
- Works group develops Peoria based on integrating components with OLE 2? Coodrinate with Int.Off.

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Schedule (hypothetical)

What is the best way to stage the work? First priorities?

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- Version 0.5 6/94 (3 yr plan dates)
 - Universal container to ship with "Chicago Office" (MDI, workbook, or...?)
 - Integrate using OLE
- Version 1 6/95
 - More components integrate with major apps through OLE (handlers?)
 - . All major appu use WLM on Mac. Reduce reliance on SDM.
 - · Support cross-app controls, converge object models, share more code
 - · Excellent integration with shared top level container
- Version 2 6/96
 - Word, Excel and Powerpoint can there same process space (Shared components are in DLLs. Presumably with component object model interfaces.)
 - . UI and performance makes it feel like one app
 - . More radical user model change?

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- Is this enough of a "left turn"? (Integrated products have been done before)
- · We are integrating all full featured products.
- Integrated but open and extensible product?
- · Integration with the OS through OLE and Component Object Model?
- . UI customizability with our forms technology?
- Cross app programmability with a single macro language.
- · What key features will be hard for competitors to follow?

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Platforms

- + Use of platform-specific features
 - + Win 3.1
 - Provide Chicago-compatible OLE DLLa?
 - Extensible interfaces?
 - Chicago
 - Tray, common dialoga, property sheets, mail UL PIM

 - As above, plus explorer, smart folders, security, indexes
 - Mac
 - Does not have these features
- ◆ 1996: Target Chicago. Will benefit from "free" OLE-based features on Cairo. Mac if possible.

 - Assume most there approach to Chicago
 Too much dependence on Cairo in 1996 these transe will limit market.
 Need to supply system extensions on Misc.
- + How distinctive can Integrated Office be? s.g. Mull & Plivi part of system, won't have integrated Office extensions,

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- · Backward compatibility
 - Fully unifying products could require incompatible changes.
 How much should we constrain the design to avoid this?
 - · Possible examples:
 - . Unifying tables and spreadsheet grid
 - Styles
- Naming in Word and Excel
- . Would want to sim-ship stand-alone products
 - Architecture needs to make it possible to update applications, mini-servers and accessories reasonably independently.

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User Interface Issues

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- + Assume standard UI is document-centric
 - . Apps much less visible. User focus is on documents.
 - . Commands and tools come and go as needed based on selection
 - . Some commands and tools are always available. e.g. spell check
 - Create new documents by replicating templates or "stationery"
 - . Also need to incorporate non-document oriented tools
- . What should the top level container be?
 - . Cairo/Chicago Shell (pure SDI)
 - · Mixed MDI workspace
 - . Tab-based workbook or hanging file folder
 - Word
 - . Other?
 - . Task-specific applications
 - User supplied specialized UI

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- · Single process vs multi process
 - Idealiy, all key components would be in a single process space (all frequently used components of "Standard Edition")
 - . Higher performance and smaller code size
 - . However, more work up front
- · Importance of architectural purity
 - . Interfaces of shared modules based on Component Object Model
 - . How important is UI independence of engines?
 - Tradeoff is speed of first release vs eventual ability to rev faster.
- · How important a priority is scalability?
 - Ability to accommodate a variety of engine types with different levels of power
 - . Ensier to build in specific engines, at least in first release
 - But we will eventually be able to be able to move forward faster if build it in from the start.

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Low End Strategy

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- Do we need a low end integrated product?
- Is it Peoria or stripped down Integrated Office?
- How tightly should we try to unify Integrated Office work with Peoria?
- · Positioning Of Works Vs. Office
 - + Works
 - . Entry User Feature Set
 - . Latry User Wizards Tasks
 - + Entry User U/I
 - . Size of Product

Office

User Programmable

Workgroup Support

Product Depth

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