# The Directions of KOffice

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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

#### **KOffice Applications**

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#### **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.



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#### 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 treevi





#### **Creating new Plugins**





# KOffice is developing

# Quickly

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