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Subject: Re: Windows 11 is now available

Posted by [Harry Vaderchi](#) on Thu, 07 Oct 2021 09:25:37 GMT

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On Wed, 06 Oct 2021 22:30:50 -0500

JAB <here@is.invalid> wrote:

> On Wed, 06 Oct 2021 22:59:09 -0400, Retrograde

> <fungus@amongus.com.invalid> wrote:

>

>> I remember

>> Win98 running just fine(1) in 128MB.

>

> IIRC, I was using 4MB on Win 3.1, and that was upgraded memory. 640kb

> in DOS days... Memory was very expensive in those days. First hard

> drive was 32megs at some \$250.00

>

> Kids today! WIWAL we 'ad 1M RAM between 20 users! & storage was punch cards.

>> Also, you probably have to buy a new machine to install it,

>

> AV1 video requires (best way to do it) hardware video decode...newest

> computers can do this, if the right ones are bought.

>

> AV1 decreases bandwidth requirements, so the "video industry" would

> like to move over to this format. Also, no royalties on it.

>

>

> Display requirements for HDR video in Windows

> Windows 11 Windows 10

> < <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/display-requirements-for-hdr-video-in-windows-192f362e-1245-e14d-3d3f-4b3fc606b80f> >

>

> Is HDR better than 4K?

> HDR delivers a higher contrast--or larger color and brightness

> range--than Standard Dynamic Range (SDR), and is more visually

> impactful than 4K. That said, 4K delivers a sharper, more defined

> image. Both standards are increasingly common among premium digital

> televisions, and both deliver stellar image quality.

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> <https://www.lifewire.com/difference-between-hdr-and-4k-41769> 61

xposted to afc

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Subject: Re: Windows 11 is now available  
Posted by [Quadibloc](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2021 04:49:08 GMT  
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Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2021 04:53:56 GMT  
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Posted by [Harry Vaderchi](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2021 12:13:15 GMT  
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<http://www.garlic.com/~lynn/2006w.html#email821019>

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Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2021 18:40:09 GMT  
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Originally posted by: Andy Walker

On 08/10/2021 13:13, Kerr-Mudd, John wrote:

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Andy Walker, Nottingham.

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Composer of the day: [www.cuboid.me.uk/andy/Music/Composers/Chopin](http://www.cuboid.me.uk/andy/Music/Composers/Chopin)

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Subject: Re: Windows 11 is now available  
Posted by [Ahem A Rivet's Shot](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2021 19:30:36 GMT  
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On Fri, 8 Oct 2021 13:13:15 +0100

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Posted by [Harry Vaderchi](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2021 19:55:46 GMT  
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On Fri, 8 Oct 2021 19:40:09 +0100  
Andy Walker <[anw@cuboid.co.uk](mailto:anw@cuboid.co.uk)> wrote:

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Subject: Re: Windows 11 is now available  
Posted by [Anne & Lynn Wheeler](#) on Fri, 08 Oct 2021 21:57:10 GMT  
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so it was effectively same hardware and nearly same system ... except for the "global LRU" page replacement vis-a-vis "local LRU" page replacement ... which supported the work done for Stanford Phd work more than decade later on "global LRU".

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Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2021 08:11:56 GMT  
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I had calculator that could compute definite integrals  
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Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2021 08:14:11 GMT  
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I was too young, then. I reached first IBM when I got to practice  
school programs and later in university :P

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Subject: Re: Windows 11 is now available  
Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2021 08:15:13 GMT  
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Originally posted by: Branimir Maksimovic

On 2021-10-08, Ahem A Rivet's Shot <steveo@eircom.net> wrote:

> On Fri, 8 Oct 2021 13:13:15 +0100  
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Oh, forgot that calculus :P

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Posted by [Harry Vaderchi](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2021 10:37:59 GMT  
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Ahem A Rivet's Shot <steveo@eircom.net> wrote:

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Ah, well unforgot!

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Bah, and indeed Humbug.

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Subject: Re: Windows 11 is now available

Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Sat, 09 Oct 2021 23:40:34 GMT

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Originally posted by: Bob Eager

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Using UNIX since v6 (1975)...

Use the BIG mirror service in the UK:

<http://www.mirrorservice.org>

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Subject: Re: Windows 11 is now available

Posted by [Anonymous](#) on Sun, 10 Oct 2021 00:29:33 GMT

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Originally posted by: Andy Walker

On 10/10/2021 00:40, Bob Eager wrote:

> Ah, but what's XLII - XLII?

That's a very modern [and quite sophisticated] question.

Bob [to an ancient Roman who happens to speak English]: "What is  
xlii - ...."

Roman [interrupts]: "Que?"

Bob: "Ah, sorry, you don't have symbols yet. Let's try it in

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words. You have xlii."

Roman: "xlii /what/?"

Bob: "It doesn't matter, it's just a number."

Roman: "Of course it matters! If you have xlii slaves, you're wealthy, if xlii grains of corn, rather less so."

Bob: "OK, you have xlii sheep. A thief takes away xlii of them. How many sheep do you have now?"

Roman: "Is this a trick question, like the man going to St Ives? You don't now have any sheep, so the question has no answer."

Bob: "You don't know what the number of sheep is?"

Roman: "If you don't have any, then there is no such number. It's nearly as daft as asking how many I have if the thief takes away ccx of my xlii sheep. If you ask me what I own, then do you expect me to list the things I have or the things I don't have? I don't have any sheep, thanks to your thief, but I also don't have any elephants, or any palaces or any bottles of whisky or any Olympic medals or any lots of other things. Do you also want me to tell you how much the elephants I don't have are worth? We could be here for a very long time unless you ask more sensible questions."

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Posted by [Charlie Gibbs](#) on Sun, 10 Oct 2021 17:34:51 GMT  
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