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Sun Adds Four Open Look Tools

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Mountain View-Sun Microsystems has added four tools to its suite of window-based tools for Open Look.

The new calendar manager, print tool, tape tool and calculator raise to 12 the number of tools in the new version of Sun's DeskSet 1.0 environment. A Sun statement claimed that the newly released package is "the most extensive set of tools available on workstations today."

Before this introduction, DeskSet had been available for X-based applications only. DeskSet was first released in April as part of the OpenWindows applications environment, built on the X11/NeWS window system. DeskSet allows developers to use a mouse for many commands that were previously keyboard-based.

The initial eight tools were a file manager, mail tool, text editor, binder, icon editor, snapshot tool, performance meters and a clock.

Sun predicted that the new tools-which can be run in either 2-D or 3-D-would "be of particular interest to independent software developers who use the SunView window system, since the new release enables them to add 'drag and drop' functionality to their SunView applications."

Sun said the new tools will be available during the first quarter of 1990. A right-to-use license for DeskSet 1.0 is issued free with every Sun workstation shipped, but tape and documentation cost \$295.

The suite is available on all Sun platforms and requires 4 Mbytes of memory.

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