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Microsoft announces its support for low-power System on a Chip (SoC) architectures at CES 2011-- including ARM-based systems, confirming last December's reports



At the show Microsoft demonstrates a new Windows 7 version working on Qualcomm, Texas Instruments and Nvidia prototypes, showing off standard Windows features (Internet Explorer, Powerpoint and network printing).

The company also mentions its support for advanced new designs-- specifically Intel's 2nd generation Core processor family and AMD's Fusion APUs.

SoC architectures enable smaller, thinner, low-power devices by combining a device's major components into a single silicon package-- making them a ideal for smart phones and tablet devices.

At the Las Vegas show Microsoft also shows off a new version of its Surface multitouch-capable table. The new version uses infrared sensors instead of cameras, making it only 4" thick.

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