

Chrome OS is ready to replace Android on tablets

Screen split mode and screen capture feature from Android are the signs.

Latest updates from Google, Google Chrome 64, appear on Chromebooks with many features expected and aimed at tablet users. Among them is the screen split feature for multitasking when using tablets and screen capture features borrowed from Android.

These updates show us somewhat of the future that Chrome OS is aiming for with the desire to replace Android on tablets. Currently, Chrome OS has come very close and new features as mentioned above will bring this OS closer to becoming a hybrid OS for all Google devices.

The Chrome and Android teams have worked together for a long time so low-cost hybrid products like Chromebook 2 in 1 will work well. Of course Android applications are also compatible with Chrome OS.



Chromebooks are coming to a future with a laptop and tablet

Last month, Google also added the ability for Android apps to run in the background on Chromebooks. Last July, Google also redesigned Chrome OS to focus more on touch gestures to ensure the application runs smoothly on tablets.

It is also uncertain whether Google will soon merge these two platforms (or whether it is intended to aggregate) because over the years, they have been 'playing' with this idea without actually deciding which side to lean on.

Android still dominates Google's mobile OS while Chrome OS is also becoming more popular as Chromebooks become more and more functional and like a real tablet.

However, the future of mixing all mobile OS, tablet PCs and PCs and running on 1 of these 3 devices is still out of reach. Features such as splitting the screen very well and the lack of this feature are one of the things that makes Google's Pixel 2 in 1, released in October, receive criticism. But Android apps on Chrome cannot be as versatile as on any other platform and they still lack touchpad support.

However, it is clear that Google is still targeting tablets, a standard 2-in-1 Chromebook becomes the unified device running Chrome OS. Another sign that it was last week appeared an Acer tablet image running Chrome OS, making it the first standalone tablet like this, which is now deleted.

The photo above was taken at the technology and education exhibition in London, meaning that we might see Google's Chrome OS tablet or even bring it to Pixel in the near future. Maybe it will be revealed at Google I / O in May. This further confirms Google's ambition to want Chrome to run on all devices, not just smartphones.

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