Plasma Active One

In this guide you find some background information which can be handy for anyone reviewing Plasma Active One.

Hardware

When testing Plasma Active One, we recommend testing it on ExoPC hardware. A list of supported devices can be found here: http://community.kde.org/Plasma/Active/Devices Support for a wider range of devices and architectures is upcoming.

In case you do not have such hardware available, Plasma Active can also be tested in a virtual machine.

Testing Plasma Active in a virtual machine

Please note that running Plasma Active in a virtual machine has the following limitations:

– Boot and start performance usually suffers

– Graphics performance is usually a lot better on real devices

– When no compositing is available, some functions will not work:

  – translucency effects of the panel, its edges and other windows

  – screenlocking

We recommend using VirtualBox, and to enable hardware acceleration for the host. Please note that we have concentrated testing on real devices, so we can not fully support usage of virtual machines.