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The X Window System was inspired by the ideas and features found in earlier proprietary window systems but is written to be portable and flexible. X is designed to run on a workstation, typically attached to a LAN. The designers built X with the network in mind. If you can communicate with a remote computer over a network, running an X application on that computer and sending the results to a local display is straightforward.

Although the X protocol has remained stable for a long time, additions to it in the form of extensions are quite common. One of the most interesting?albeit one that has not yet made its way into production?is the Media Application Server, which aims to provide the same level of network transparency for sound and video that X does for simple windowing applications.

Read more about 'X Window System' from <http://computingtech.blogspot.com/2010/07/x-window-system.html>

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