



Note: This API calls are shared between DOS and Win16 personality.

DPMI is a shared interface for DOS applications to access Intel 80286+ CPUs services. DOS DMPI host provides core services for protected mode applications. Multitasking OS with DOS support also provides DMPI in most cases. Windows standard and extended mode kernel is a DPMI client app. Standard and extended mode kernel differs minimally and shares common codebase. Standard Windows kernel works under DOSX extender. DOSX is a specialized version of 16-bit DPMI Extender (but it is standard DPMI host). Standard mode is just DPMI client, enhanced mode is DPMI client running under Virtual Machine Manager (really, multitasker which allow to run many DOS sessions). Both modes shares DPMI interface for kernel communication. The OS/2 virtual DOS Protected Mode Interface (VDPMI) device driver provides Version 0.9 DPMI support for virtual DOS machines. Win16 (up to Windows ME) provides Version 0.9 DPMI support. Windows in Standard Mode provides DPMI services only for Windows Applications, not DOS sessions.

DPMI host often merged with DPMI extender. Usually DPMI extender provide DPMI host standard services and DOS translation or True DPMI services.

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Int 31H, AH=01H, AL=02H

Version

0.9

Brief

Resize DOS Memory Block

Input

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AX = 0102H
BX = new block size in (16-byte) paragraphs
DX = selector of block to modify
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Return

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if function successful
Carry flag = clear
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if function unsuccessful
Carry flag = set
AX = error code
0007H    memory control blocks damaged (also returned by DPMI 0.9 hosts).
0008H    insufficient memory (also returned by DPMI 0.9 hosts).
0009H    incorrect memory segment specified (also returned by DPMI 0.9
hosts).
8011H    descriptor unavailable
8022H    invalid selector
BX = maximum possible block size (paragraphs)

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Notes

Changes the size of a memory block that was previously allocated with the Allocate DOS Memory Block function (Int 31H Function 0100H).

Requests to increase the size of an existing DOS memory block may fail due to subsequent DOS memory block allocations causing fragmentation of DOS memory, or insufficient remaining DOS memory. In addition, the function will fail if the block is growing past a 64 KB boundary and the next descriptor in the LDT is not available.

A request to decrease the size of a DOS memory block may cause some descriptors that were previously allocated to the block to be freed and the limit of the new last descriptor for the block to be changed.

Under a DPMI 1.0 host, any segment registers which contain a selector being modified are reloaded by this function and any segment registers which contain a selector being freed are zeroed by this function.

Client programs should never modify or free any descriptors allocated by this function. The Free DOS Memory Block function (Int 31H Function 0101H) will deallocate the descriptors automatically.

Refer to the rules for descriptor usage in Appendix D.

See also

Note

Text based on <http://www.delorie.com/djgpp/doc/dpmi/>

DPMI	
Process manager	INT 2FH 1680H, 1687H
Signals	
Memory manager	
Misc	INT 2FH 1686H, 168AH
Devices	

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