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Vendor	IBM Corp. White Plains, N.Y. tel. 800-426-4968 www.ibm.com	Dell Inc. Round Rock, Texas tel. 800-999-3355 www.dell.com	Gateway Inc. Poway, Calif. tel. 888-221-9616 www.gateway.com	MPC Computers LLC Nampa, Idaho tel. 888-224-4247 www.buympc.com	Hewlett-Packard Co. Palo Alto, Calif. tel. 800-752-0900 www.hp.com	Sharp Systems of America Huntington Beach, Calif. tel. 714-903-4600 www.sharpsystems.com	Toshiba America Information Systems Inc. Irvine, Calif. tel. 800-TOSHIBA www.dpd.toshiba.com	Fujitsu Computer Systems Corp. Sunnyvale, Calif. tel. 877-372-3473 www.us.fujitsu.com
Processor	1.8-GHz Pentium M 745	2-GHz Pentium M 755	1.8-GHz Pentium M 745	1.7-GHz Pentium M 735	1.8-GHz Pentium M 745	2.8-GHz desktop Pentium 4	1.7-GHz Pentium M 735	3.2-GHz desktop Pentium 4
Weight in pounds	5.3 	7 	6.1 	7.1 	6.5 	10.2 	5.2 	10.3 
Screen size in inches	15.1	15.4	15	15	15	15	14.1	16.1
Hard drive in gigabytes	70	75	50	75	40	50	55	75
RAM in megabytes	512	512	512	512	512	512	512	1,000
Dimensions in inches	13 by 10.6 by 1.4	14.2 by 10.9 by 1.5	13.5 by 10.6 by 1.3	13 by 11.2 by 1.6	12.8 by 10.8 by 1.6	13.9 by 11.7 by 2.1	12.3 by 10.1 by 1.4	14 by 11.8 by 1.7
Integrated wireless	Accton Technology 802.11a/b/g	Dell WLAN I350 802.11b/g	Intel Centrino 802.11b	Intel Centrino 802.11b	HP W400 802.11 b/g	None	Intel Centrino 802.11g	Atheros 802.11 a/b/g
Graphics card	ATI Radeon 9600	Nvidia GeForce FX Go5650	ATI Radeon 9600	ATI Radeon 9600	ATI Radeon 9600	Nvidia GeForce4 440 Go	Nvidia GeForce Go5200	ATI Radeon 9600
Battery life	3 hours, 15 minutes	4 hours, 2 minutes	3 hours, 45 minutes	3 hours, 16 minutes	2 hours, 51 minutes	1 hour, 15 minutes	1 hour, 40 minutes	1 hour, 30 minutes
Alterion benchmark score	8,200	7,319	7,316	7,304	7,048	6, 224	6,591	5,414
Reviewer's comments	Incredible speed and sleek interface set a high mark for other notebooks to equal.	The D800 achieves above-average speed without shortening battery life.	The 450XL has several features feds want without a high sticker price.	Battery innovations put MPC's unit in a good spot in the middle of a tough race.	Slightly above-average performance doesn't justify the nc8000's higher price.	This is the notebook to buy for 3-D, but the trade-off comes in price and performance.	The low price tag is the best feature of the Tecra M2-S630.	Size doesn't equal performance, but this is an affordable desktop replacement.
Price as tested	\$2,904 GSA	\$2,823 GSA	\$2,099	2,177 GSA	\$2,949	\$2,909 GSA	\$1,899	\$2,599
Overall grade	A REVIEWER'S CHOICE ★	A- REVIEWER'S CHOICE ★	B+ BANG FOR THE BUCK	B+	B	B	B-	C+