## How to run multiple displays in the extended desktop mode in Coherence?

- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition
- Parallels Desktop


## Symptoms

I want to run extended desktop of Windows XP in Coherence mode. But the message appears:
Unable to switch to Coherence Mode. Primary operating system does not support screen resolution request

## Resolution

To be able to work in the dual monitor mode:

1. From the View menu, choose the "Customize..." option.
2. Open the "Coherence" tab and check the "Use multiple displays" option.
3. Then open Parallels Desktop and go to Preferences -> Appearance menu.
4. Check the "Change Mac OS X resolution" option.

After that please check the resolutions of the monitors that you will use. Change the resolutions of both monitors to be the same. (E.g. if you have a Macbook, change the image to 1024 x 768 stretched to match the standard square monitor (4:3 viewing ratio).
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