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There are two reasons for gadget convergence: cluttered pockets and cluttered desktops. While few combinations are truly alarming, I have to admit that Earth Trek's

four-port USB 2.0 hub, which also **doubles as a tape dispenser**, stopped me in my virtual tracks.

What surprised me, I think, is that it actually seems well thought out. The included four-foot extension cable provides plenty of flexibility for desk placement, and each of the four USB ports can rotate 180 degrees for maximum flexibility. It also comes in two sizes, depending on the kinds of tape rolls you use.

So when can we expect the accompanying stapler mouse?

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