

Slash rubrics mapping to Linux Kernel Practices

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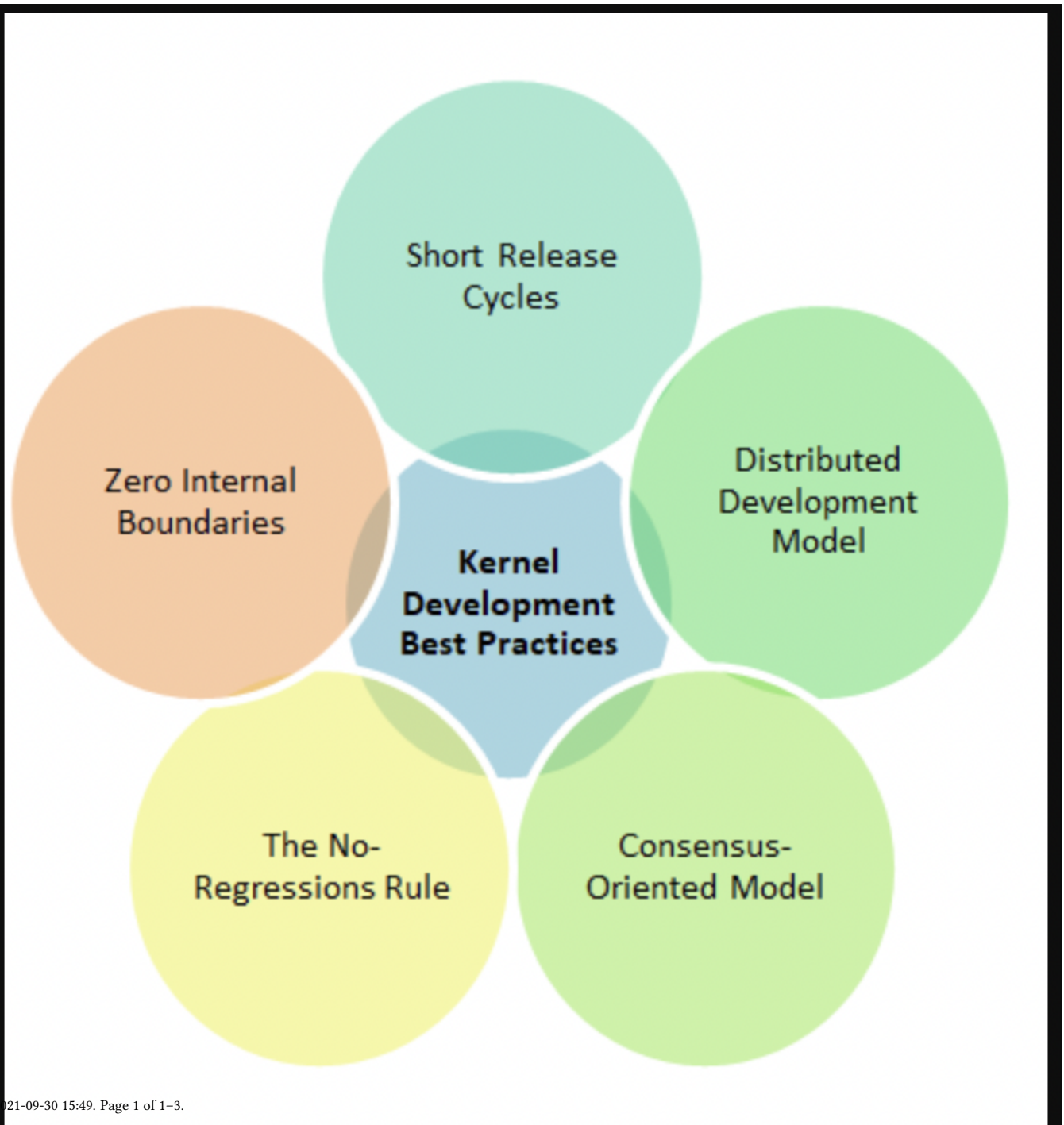


Figure 1: Linux Kernel Practices

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1 SHORT RELEASE CYCLES

Shorter release cycles effectively ensures less frustration for the user and the developer alike. It reduces the chances of merging and pushing inefficient and unstable code as shorter cycles ensure regular testing and up-date knowledge of the system architecture. This method also helps to bring fast and positive changes which result in the end user being satisfied. For these reasons, we integrate new code in short cycles.

The following rubrics can be mapped to this practice

| Rubric | Evidence |
|--|---|
| Number of commits | https://github.com/secheaper/slash/pulse |
| Number of commits: by different people | https://github.com/secheaper/slash/pulse |
| Issues reports: there are many | GH Issues |
| Issues are being closed | GH closed issues |
| Tests that can be run after your software has been built or deployed to show whether the build or deployment has been successful | GH actions |
| Automated test suite for your software | GH actions |
| Framework to periodically (e.g. nightly) run your tests on the latest version of the source code | GH actions |
| Using continuous integration, automatically running tests whenever changes are made to your source code | GH actions |
| Test cases are routinely executed | GH actions |

2 DISTRIBUTED DEVELOPMENT MODEL

A distributed Development model is the best way to develop any software. Sharing different functionalities of the software to different individuals, based on their familiarity with the area ensures seamless code review and integration with very minimal chances of blow-up. For this reason, Distributed Development Model has been followed.

The following rubrics can be mapped to this practice

| Rubric | Evidence |
|---|-------------------|
| workload is spread over the whole team | GH commits |
| evidence that the whole team is using the same tools | GH |
| E-mails to our support e-mail address are received by more than one person | communication tab |
| Listing the important partners and collaborators on our website | GH |
| Do we accept contributions from people who are not part of your project? | GH |
| Do you have a contributions policy | GH |
| Is your contributions' policy publicly available? | GH |
| Evidence that the members of the team are working across multiple places in the code base | GH |

3 CONSENSUS-ORIENTED MODEL

Integration to the code base need to be agreed upon by all and especially by people who have implemented some functionality and the new code block directly works with that. This ensures not tampering with the stable versions of code.

The following rubrics can be mapped to this practice

| Rubric | Evidence |
|---|---|
| Chat channel: exists | https://discord.com/channels/879343473940107264 |
| issues are discussed before they are closed | every issue is discussed by all, then assigned to one appropriate person for closure |

4 THE NO-REGRESSIONS RULE

The No-regression rule is an important design decision as once the interface with the model gets pushed and is in public use, we should not alter that syntax. This ensures harmony in terms of user calls and less frustrations. We have ensured that we don't take away existing functionality but add to it.

| Rubric | Evidence |
|---|---|
| Use of version control tools | Git is used thoroughly through the project |
| Evidence that the members of the team are working across multiple places in the code base | https://github.com/secheaper/slash/graphs/contributors |
| There is a branch of the repository that is always stable | the main branch is always stable |

5 ZERO INTERNAL BOUNDARIES

We understand that access to the entire view of the project is important. Even though individuals are working on different functionalities, it does not stop them from making changes in other parts of the code. This results in problems being solved at the source rather than having multiple paths to go through before making actual changes.

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| Rubric | Evidence |
|---|---|
| whole team is using the same tools | We can clearly see that entire codebase has been written in Python(https://github.com/secheaper/slash/search?l=python). Everyone has the same access to the repository and also have equal access to committing directly to the main branch. |
| issues are discussed before they are closed | There is a discussion channel on our discord server |
| Source code publicly available to download, either as a downloadable bundle or via access to a source code repository | git clone https://github.com/secheaper/slash.git or Download as a zip file from here https://github.com/secheaper/slash/archive/refs/heads/main.zip |
| E-mails to our support e-mail address are received by more than one person | we all have the access credentials to the support email |
| Project have a ticketing system to manage bug reports and feature requests | We constantly create issues and have an ticketing system on github projects where we assign each member an issue based on priority. (https://github.com/secheaper/slash/projects/1) |