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INTRIGUING DETAILS EMERGE ABOUT FUCHSIA OS, GOOGLE'S LATEST PROJECT

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It's less than a month before Google releases a slew of new software services including Allo, Duo, and [Android Nougat](#), but the company is apparently cooking something that may go beyond what its [mobile](#) operating system can offer.

Spotted in the [Git repository](#), developers at Google are working on a [new operating system](#) dubbed [Fuchsia OS](#), and it may be meant for mobile phones, computers, and other devices. It likely doesn't have much to do with the rumored merger between Android and Chrome OS, the system that runs Google's Chromebooks.

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This is likely something completely new — the description in the repository says “Pick + Purple == Fuchsia (a new Operating System), and those colors do not represent either Android or Chrome OS.



According to [Hacker News](#), Travis Geiselbrech, who worked on NewOS, BeOS, Danger, Palm's webOS and iOS, and Brian Swetland, who also worked on BeOS and Android, are involved in this project.

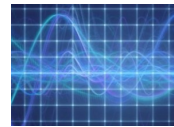
The new, mysterious operating system will be powered by the Magenta and LK kernel. “LK is a kernel designed for

small systems typically used in embedded applications.” reads the [repository](#). “On the other hand, Magenta targets modern phones and modern personal computers with fast processors, non-trivial amounts of RAM with arbitrary peripherals doing open-ended computation.”

There's a lot of [discussion](#) going [around](#) about what exactly all of this could mean



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for the new operating system, and whether or not this is indeed meant for an Android and Chrome OS merger, or for something new. Google tells Digital Trends it has nothing to comment about at this time.

Chances are we won't find out anything new for a while, since Fuchsia OS is early in development. We'll update this post as we learn more about it.

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