BSD

Berkeley Software Distribution

4.xBSD is widely used in academic installations and has served as the basis of a number of commercial UNIX products

4.4BSD was the final version of BSD to be released by Berkeley

- major upgrade to 4.3BSD
- includes
 - a new virtual memory system
 - changes in the kernel structure
 - several other feature enhancements

FreeBSD

- one of the most widely used and best documented versions
- popular for Internet-based servers and firewalls
 used in a number of embedded systems
- Mac OS X is based on FreeBSD 5.0 and the Mach 3.0 microkernel