

Exercise 3.1: What OSS Products Do You Use?

List some of the open source projects you probably use day to day.



Solution 3.1

1. Android

Used in the majority of smart phones and other mobile devices world wide, built on top of the Linux kernel

2. Apache Web Server (httpd)

About half of all web servers are running **Apache** and its related products.

3. Social Media

Virtually all social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram etc.) are using OSS components throughout.

4. Search Engines

GOOGLE and other search engines have vast data farms running **Linux**.

5. Weather Forecasting

Essentially 100 percent of the world's supercomputers run **Linux**, and forecasting the weather is one of the most intensive uses.

6. Personal Fitness Devices

Including FitBit.

7. DVRs

Almost all set top boxes and video recorders run Linux

8. Medical Devices

A large number of medical devices used routinely every day are running **Embedded Linux**.

All these projects make extensive use of **OSS** tooling, such as **gcc**, **make**, **glibc** and languages such as **Python**, **Perl** and **Ruby**.

