



Chapter 01

Open Source Software

Open Source SW Development
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Proprietary Software

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iOS



Windows 10

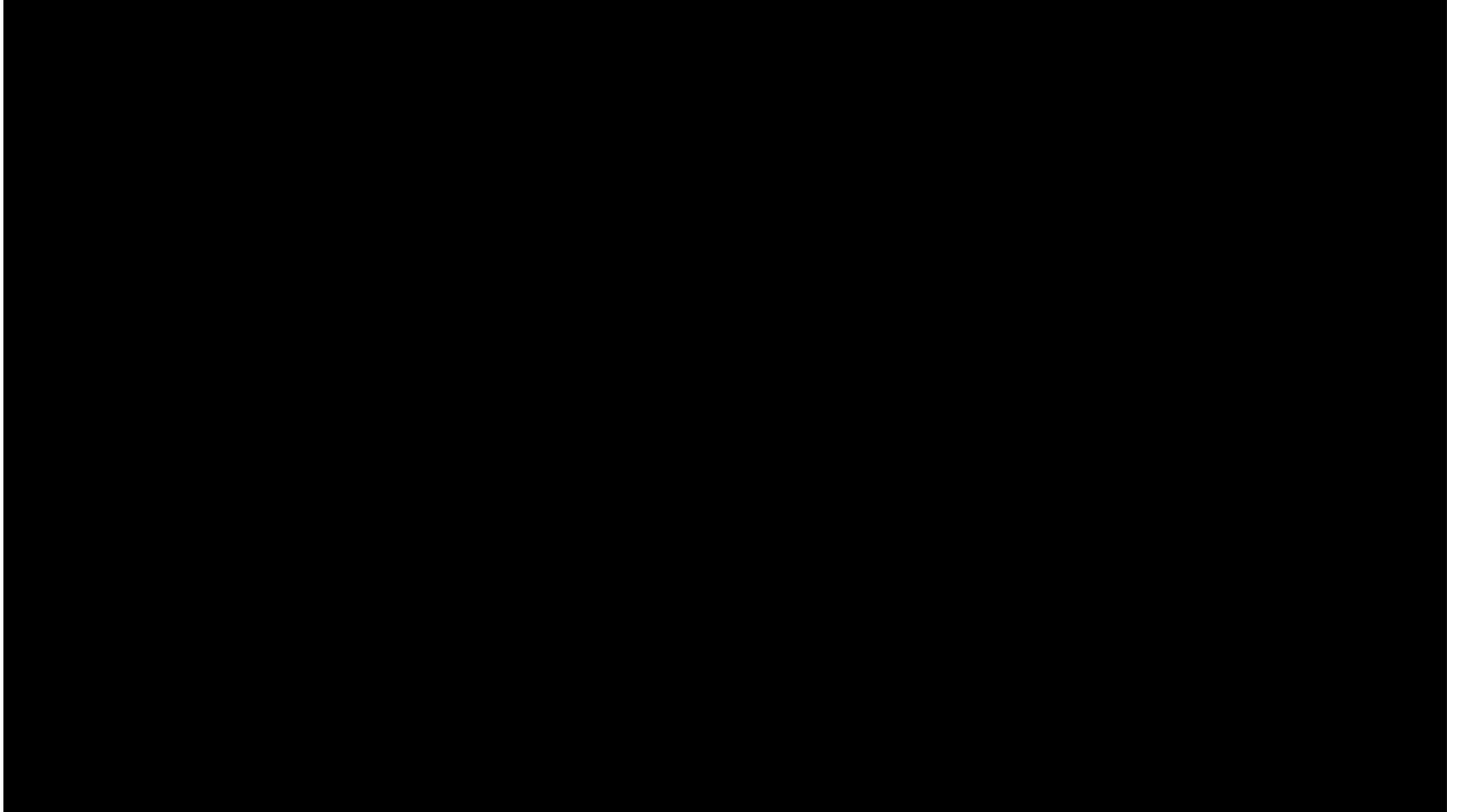


Microsoft Office

Definition

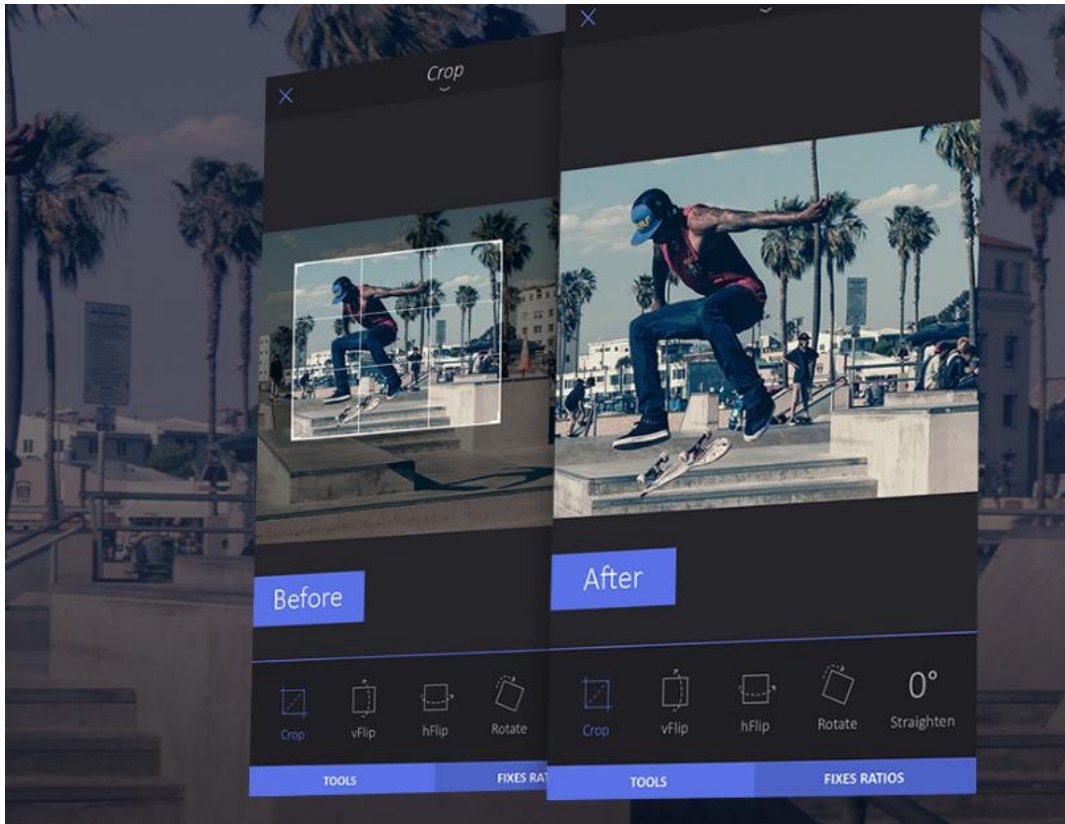
- **Definition**
 - Computer software licensed under exclusive legal right of the copyright holder
 - Restricted from other uses, such as modification, further distribution, or reverse engineering
- **Pros**
 - Consistent feature development
 - Stability
 - Responsibility for bugs, errors and updates
- **Cons**
 - Higher start-up costs
 - Dependency
 - Single company releasing patches

Enlight



Enlight

- How can we run Enlightenment on Android or other platforms?



Enlight : “all-in-one” phone app runs on iOS exclusively

Porting to Other Platform

- **iOS Emulator**



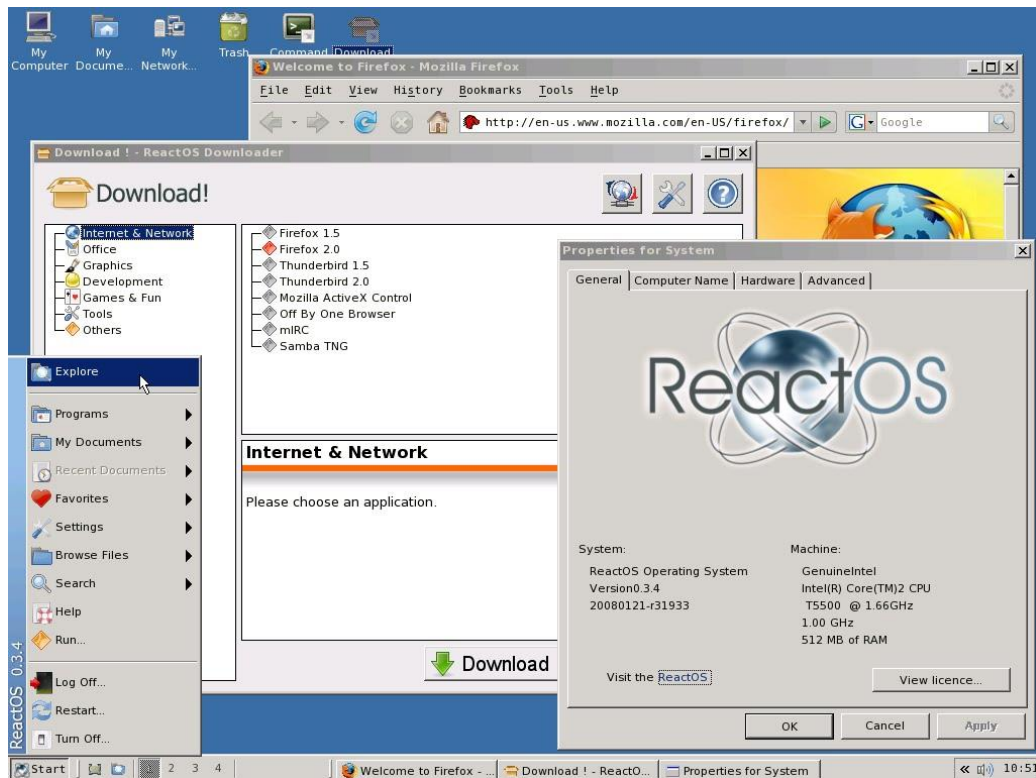
- Too slow, not working perfectly

- **Porting to Android**

- We need source codes!!!
- Source code of proprietary software is closed

React OS

- **Binary-compatible**
- **Start as Window 95 clone project in 1998**
- **Support A few software made for windows**



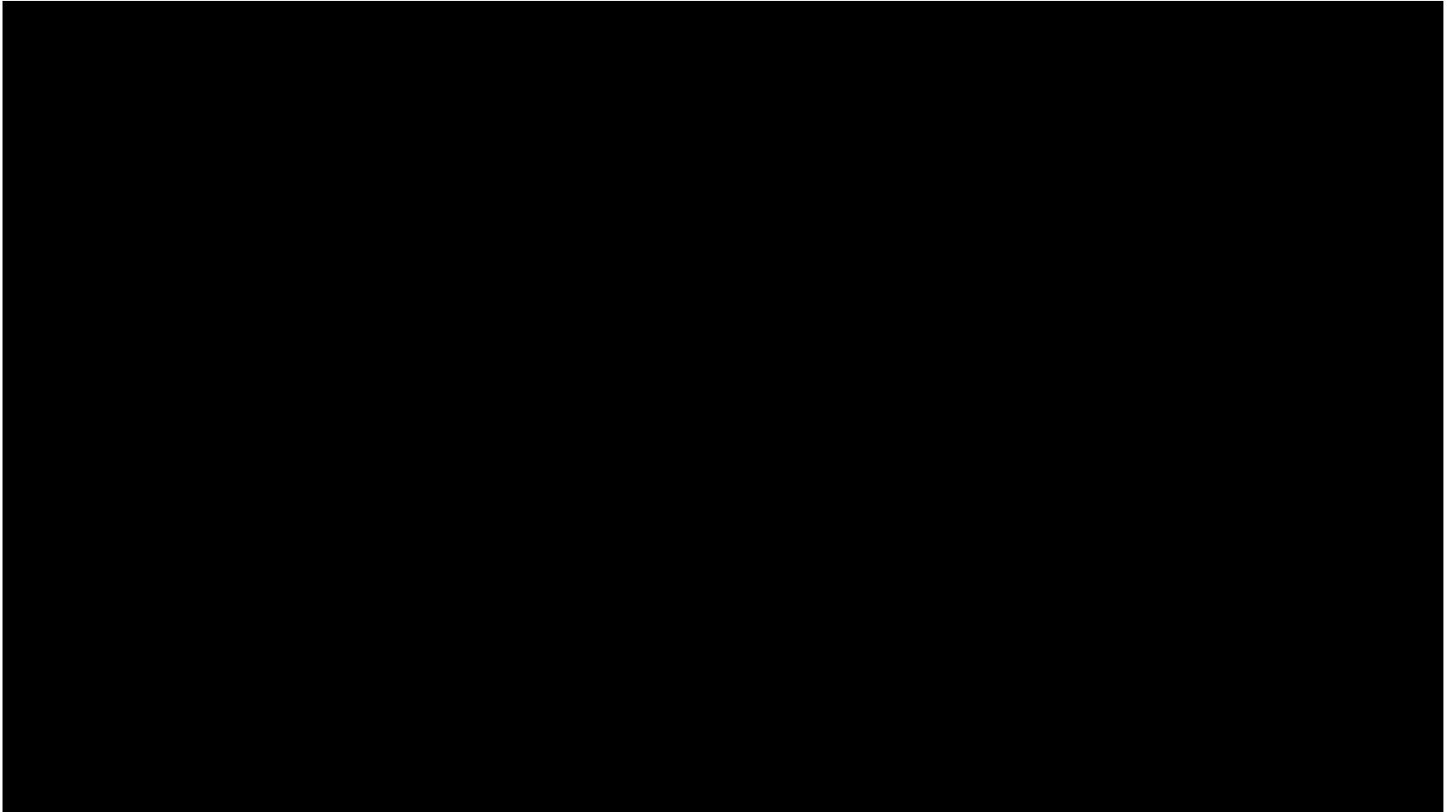
TmaxOS

- Developed by Tmax
- Compatible layer for MS Windows, Android and iOS



- Is it possible?

TmaxOS

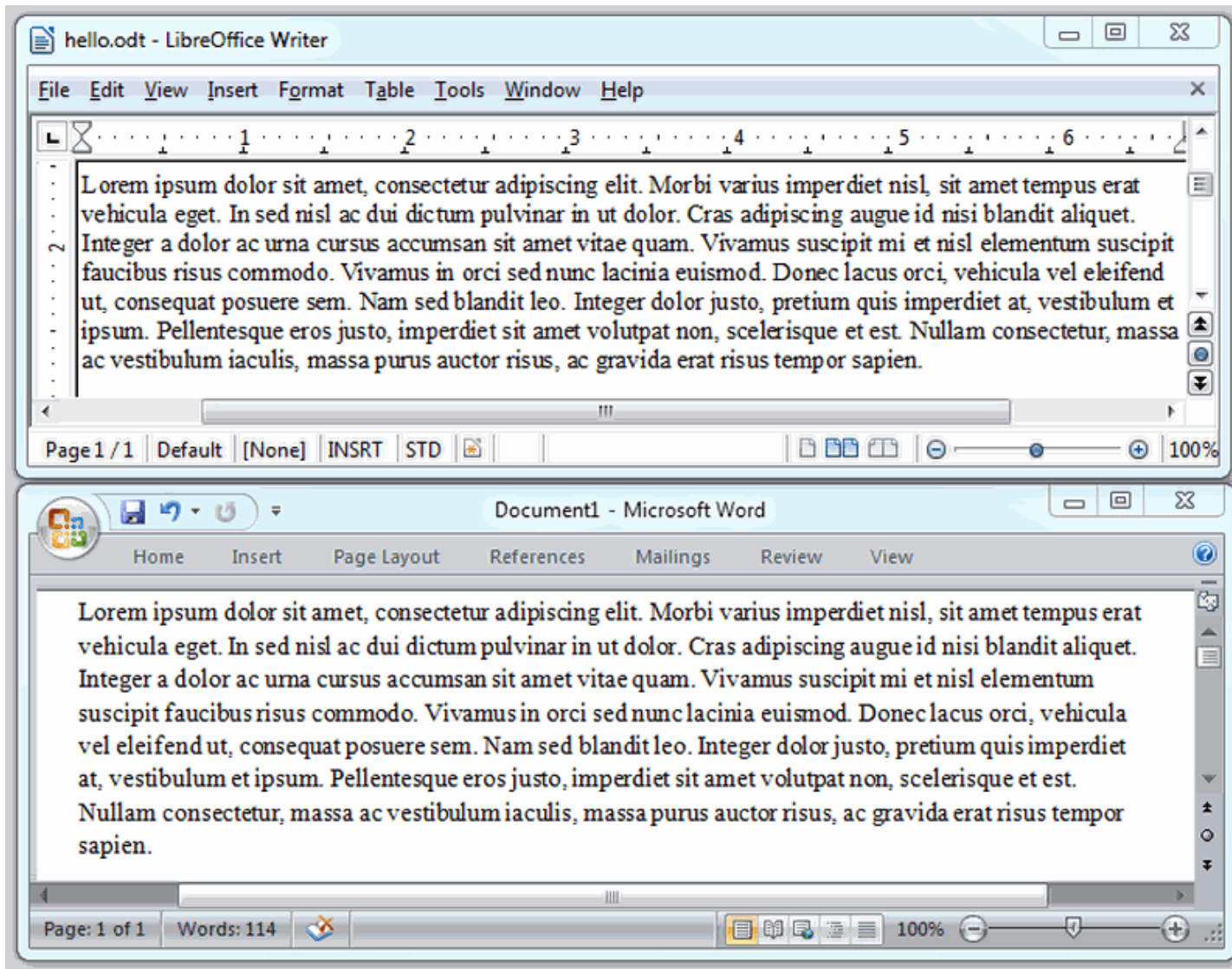


Proprietary Format

- **Used by individual programs**
- **Unique : cannot be read by other programs**
- **Huge barrier to rival**
- **Example**
 - **DWG : AutoCAD drawing**
 - **PSD : Adobe Photoshop's native image format**
- **Ownership of created content**



Word VS Writer



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Open Source

- **Open Source Software**
 - Source code is available to the public
 - Anyone to copy, modify and redistribute the source code
 - GNU/Linux, Eclipse, Apache, Mozillar
- **Pros**
 - Lower cost
 - Flexibility
 - Reliability and quality
 - No dependency
- **Cons**
 - Lack of personalized support
 - Restricted choice
 - Speed of change
 - No Warranty

Term

- **Free Software Movement**
 - **Freedom to change the source code to whatever you need to do**
 - **Social movement**
 - **Negative image to business**
- **“Open Source” label**
 - **Created at a strategy session on Feb. 3rd, 1998 in Palo Alto**
 - **In reaction to Netscape’s source code release**
 - **By Tim O’Reilly, Eric Raymond and Larry Augustin**
 - **Methodology**
 - **Open Source Definition**

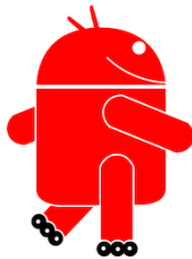
Open Source Initiative

- **Open Source Initiative**
 - Organization dedicated to promoting open source software
 - Founded in Feb. 1998 by Bruce Perens and Eric Raymond
- **Open Source Definition**
 - Document published by the Open Source Initiative
 - Based on the Debian Free Software Guidelines
 - Written by Bruce Perens
 - Does not mean access to the source code
 - Redistribution!



Open Source Definition

- **Free Redistribution**
 - License shall not require a royalty or other fee for such sale
- **Source Code**
 - Must include source code & allow distribution
- **Derived works**
 - Must allow modification & allow them to be distributed



Replicant

A fully free
Android distribution

Open Source Definition

- **Integrity of Author's Source Code**
 - License must permit distribution of software built from modified source code
 - License may require derived works to carry a different name or version number from the original software
 - LibreOffice is forked from OpenOffice



Open Source Definition

- **No discrimination against**
 - **Persons, groups or fields of endeavor**
- **Distribution of license**
 - **Rights to program must apply to all without the need for execution of additional license**
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The Cathedral and the Bazaar

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The Grand Bazaar

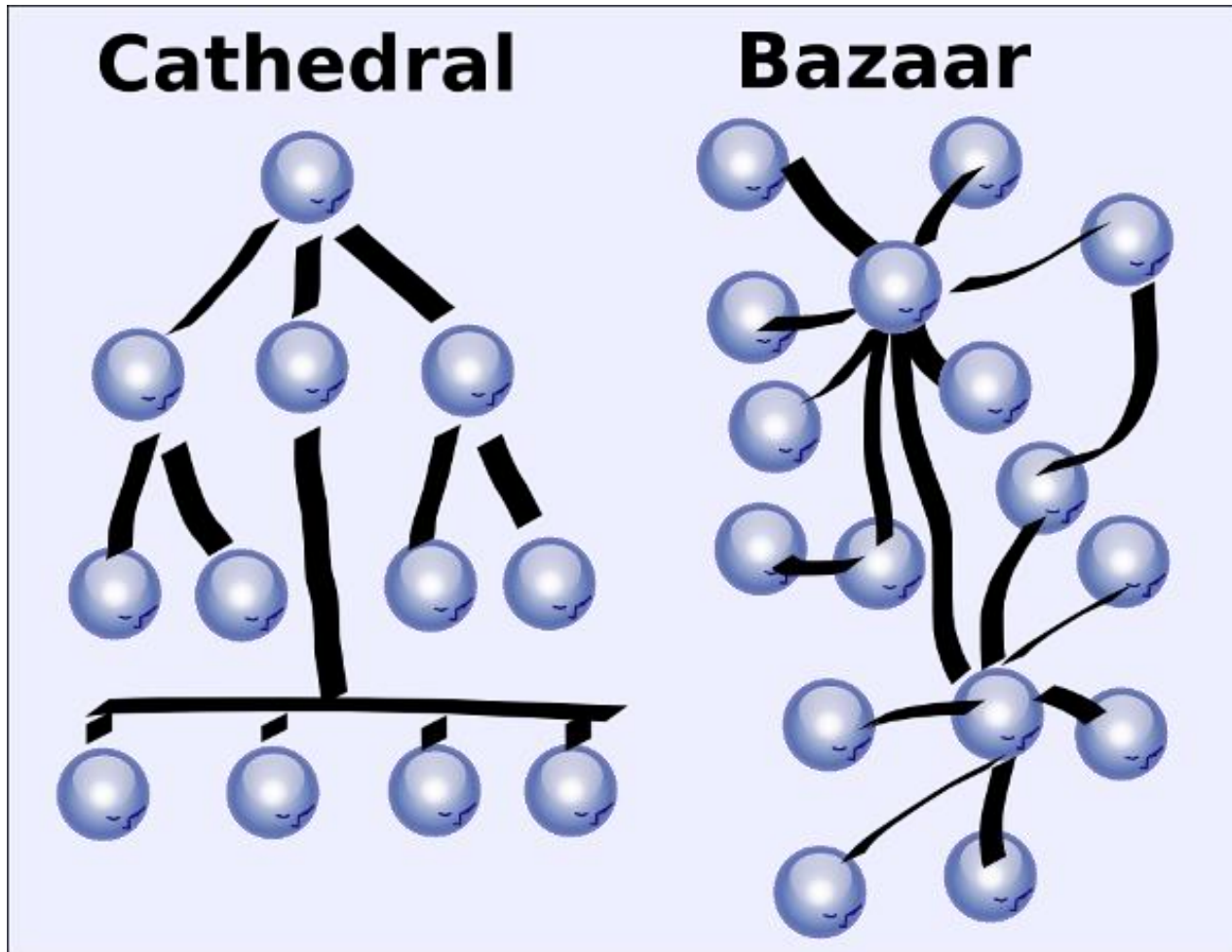
Cathedral Approach

- **Top-down**
- **Command-and-control**
- **Source code only available after release**
- **Leads to large complex programs**
 - IBM, Microsoft
- **Well-organized, full time development team**
- **Followed by corporate teams**
- **Worked on by teams of “high-priests/cathedral builders”**
- **Release far between (not until it’s “perfect”)**

Bazaar Approach

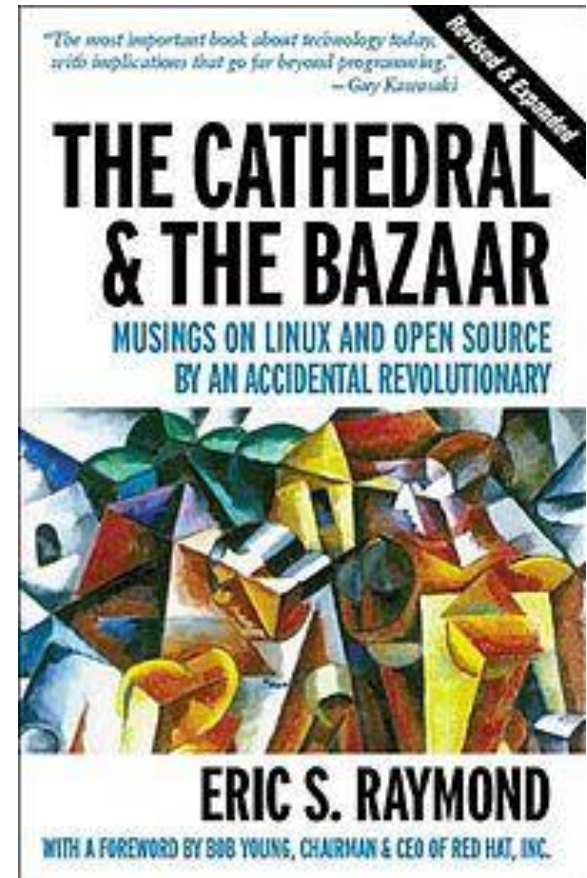
- **Bottom-up**
- **Decentralized and Cooperative**
- **Source code available for public testing**
- **A large network of communicating developers**
- **Loosely-organized volunteer (Hackers)**
- **Release made frequently to attain feedback**

Software Development Model



The Cathedral and The Bazaar

- **Written by Eric Raymond**
- **Collection of Essays**
- **Explores open source development, hacker culture, economics of open source**
- **First complete and commercially distributed book published under an open source document license**
- **Contains Fetchmail Story**



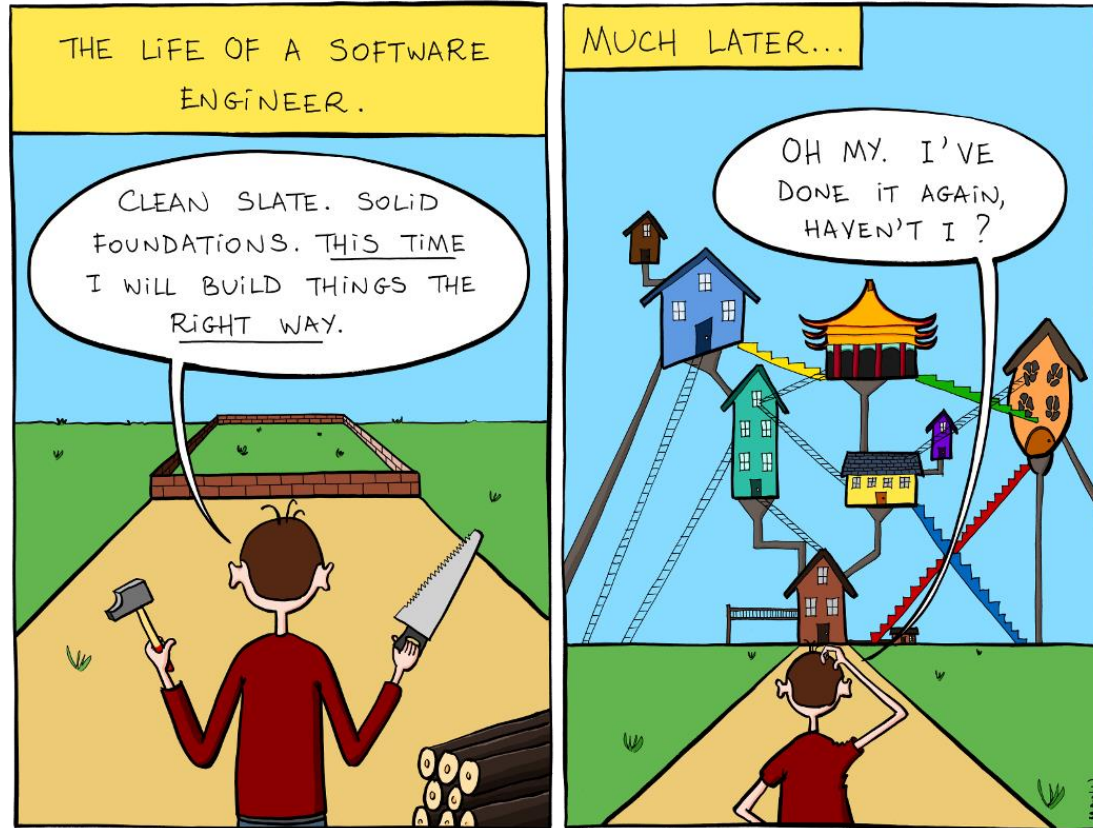
Fetchmail

- **A new and fancy mail client program is needed**
- **Needs**
 - Access mail from stand-alone computer that's not always on-line
 - Can't simply forward
- **POP3 Server available, need POP3 client**
- **Missing feature**
 - Replying to email from stand-alone computer
 - Need to tack on end of email address
- **Every good work of software starts by scratching a developer's personal itch**
 - Necessity is the mother of invention

Don't reinvent the wheel

- **Candidates**
 - 9 existing programs were close
 - Selected 'fetchpop' first
- **Example**
 - Linux Torvalds started, not from scratch, but with Minix
- **Good programmers know what to write. Great ones know what to rewrite (and reuse)**

Don't reinvent the wheel



Never fear refactoring

- **Fetchpop**
 - Consists of amateur codes
 - Handles only POP3
- **Popclient**
 - Written by Carl Harris
 - It was more cleanly written
 - However lacked some key, difficult to implement features
 - Stay or switch?
- **Plan to throw one away, you will anyhow**
 - Fetchpop → popclient

Be kind and share

- **Popclient**
 - Carl Harris had basically lost interest in popclient
 - The code was a bit dusty, with minor bugs hanging
 - Popclient is taken over to Eric Raymond
- **When you lose interest in a program, your last duty is to hand it off to a competent successor**
 - Carl Harris handed ‘popclient’ code to Eric Raymond

Users as developers

- **Users can become co-developers.**
 - Source code is available, they can be effective hackers.
 - This can be tremendously useful for shortening debugging time
- **Treating your users as co-developers is your least-hassle route to rapid code improvement and effective debugging**
 - Power was underestimated until Linux
- **“I’m basically a very lazy person who likes to get credit for things other people actually do – Linus Torvalds**

Release early, release often

- **Cathedral**
 - Release occasionally → buggy code → alienate users
- **Bazaar**
 - Release often → motivate developers → maximize development time

Linus' Law

- **“Given enough eyeballs, all bugs are shallow.”**
- **“Given a large enough beta-tester and co-developer base, almost every problem will be characterized quickly and the fix obvious to someone.”**
- **“Debugging is parallelizable.”**
- **“Delphi effect” – averaged opinion of a mass of observers (equally expert or ignorant) is more reliable than opinion of random observer [sociologists]**

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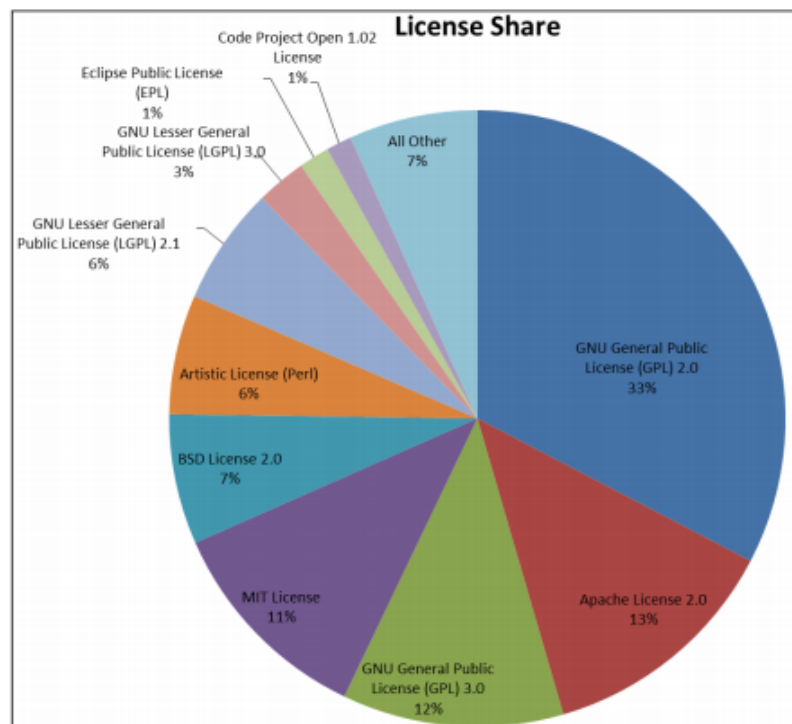
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