
Your proposal: From Critique To Chaos - A Masterclass In Terrible Feedback Practices

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Full proposal content:

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Abstract: ## Introduction

Feedback is the cornerstone of learning and growth, especially in free and open software communities. Even then, there would be times when the understanding of how to provide and receive feedback in an effective manner would be difficult to master for contributors and users. Feedback could be exchanged in the wrong place or the wrong time (and heebie-jeebies to

security concerns!), doing too little or too much of that (and stepping onto contributor's toes!) and most importantly, by taking it personally (and missing the entire point!).

Objective

As a part of the FOSDEM 2025's edition of Educational Devroom - I want to deliver a satirical talk on what terrible feedback practices look like with some authentic and fictional examples and how it both hurts the growth of individuals involved in educating themselves in free and open source software while participating as either contributors or users. Conversely, this is my attempt into exploring why feedback matters, how feedback should be provided and received, when feedback is useful and how an effective feedback loop can be formed.

Gathering

While the talk is expected to have a universal appeal to folks involved in free and open source software communities either as users or contributors - the audience fraternity that would be able to derive the most value from this talk would be **learning students** looking to for upskilling with the feedback received, **project leaders** looking to increase interaction among contributors and users, **community members** expanding their reach in providing feedback and **community managers** looking to form a continuous feedback flow.

Notes: ## Notes

Please note that the satirical tone of the presentation is intentional to emphasize the abnormality of the terrible feedback practices that we have come to accept as normal. There will be visual cues on the slide decks to remark on what sections are ironical and what sections are intended to ensure that the message is conveyed as accurately as possible.

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