

## Linux debugging and tracing tools

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### Quotes

UNIX is very simple, it just needs a genius to understand its simplicity.

## How difficult is Linux ?

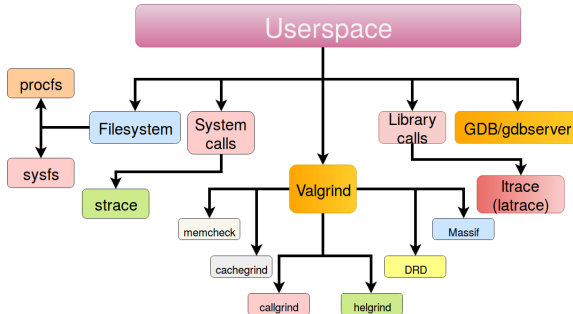
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jugbe@F-NAN-HIPPOPOTAME:~/Téléchargements$ perl cloc-1.74.pl linux-4.17.2.tar.xz
61323 text files.
60842 unique files.
11918 files ignored.

github.com/AlDanial/cloc v 1.74 T=233.40 s (211.8 files/s, 100926.0 lines/s)
Language files blank comment code
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C 25834 2563541 2482443 12789765
C/C++ Header 19134 490812 921954 3651018
Assembly 1309 46080 105856 229304
JSON 188 0 0 109227
make 2387 8713 9762 37081
Perl 54 5373 3910 27170
Bourne Shell 312 4624 4464 21036
Python 100 2924 3257 16539
HTML 5 609 0 5492
 yacc 9 694 379 4609
PO File 5 791 918 3061
lex 8 310 300 1931
C++ 7 287 77 1847
Bourne Again Shell 49 347 317 1695
awk 11 171 155 1388
Markdown 1 220 0 1077
TeX 1 100 3 915
Glade 1 58 0 603
NANT script 2 157 0 602
Cucumber 1 28 49 161
Windows Module Definition 2 14 0 100
m4 1 15 1 95
XSLT 5 13 26 61
CSS 1 18 27 44
vim script 1 3 12 27
INI 1 1 0 6
sed 1 2 5 5
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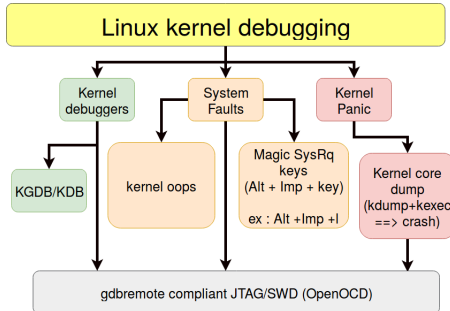
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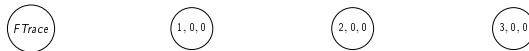


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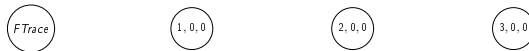


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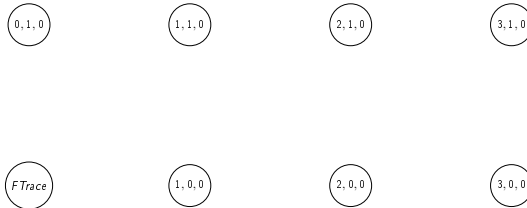


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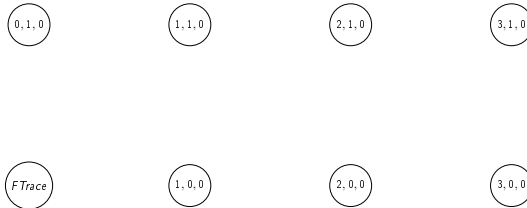


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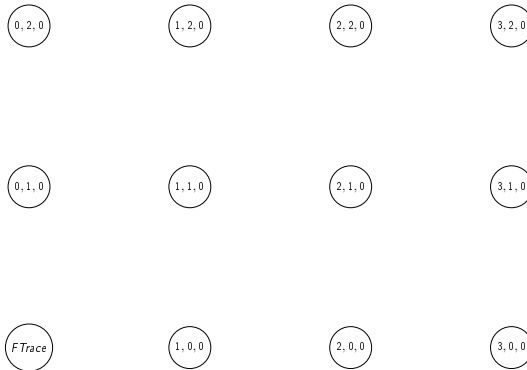


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```
jugurtha@jugurtha-VirtualBox ~/antidebug $ sudo gdb attach 'pidof ptrace-anti-debug' -q
[sudo] Mot de passe de Jugurtha :
attach: Aucun fichier ou dossier de ce type.
Attaching to process 2986
Could not attach to process. If your uid matches the uid of the target
process, check the setting of /proc/sys/kernel/yama/ptrace_scope, or try
again as the root user. For more details, see /etc/sysctl.d/10-ptrace.conf
warning: process 2986 is already traced by process 2706
ptrace: Operation non permise.
/home/jugurtha/antidebug/2986: Aucun fichier ou dossier de ce type.
(gdb) █
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## Conclusion



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At the end of internship :

- Step by step debugging manual (over 200 pages) + sample codes at :

[https://github.com/jugurthab/Linux\\_kernel\\_debug](https://github.com/jugurthab/Linux_kernel_debug)

- 4 articles on SMILE's blog :

- OpenOCD from scratch : <http://www.linuxembedded.fr/2018/07/openocd-from-scratch/>
- Linux debugging tools : <http://www.linuxembedded.fr/2018/07/openocd-from-scratch/>
- Unmask kernel activity with tracers :  
<http://www.linuxembedded.fr/2018/07/openocd-from-scratch/>
- Secrets of eBPF : <http://www.linuxembedded.fr/2018/07/openocd-from-scratch/>

- OESdebug (Python3) : OpenOCD wrapper utility

([https://github.com/jugurthab/Linux\\_kernel\\_debug/tree/master/DebugSoftware/OpenOCD-wrapper](https://github.com/jugurthab/Linux_kernel_debug/tree/master/DebugSoftware/OpenOCD-wrapper)). It generates OpenOCD scripts, supports autoprobing feature and makes it easy to share scripts.

