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To use this license in source code, put one of the following SPDX tag/value pairs into a comment according to the placement guidelines in the licensing rules documentation.

For 'GNU General Public License (GPL) version 2 only' use:
SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0

For 'GNU General Public License (GPL) version 2 or any later version' use:
SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+

License-Text:
Full license text

::

SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
SPDX-URL: <https://spdx.org/licenses/MIT.html>
Usage-Guide:

To use this license in source code, put the following SPDX tag/value pair into a comment according to the placement guidelines in the licensing rules documentation.

SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT

License-Text:
Full license text

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2. Deprecated licenses:

These licenses should only be used for existing code or for importing code from a different project. These licenses are available from the directory::

LICENSES/deprecated/

in the kernel source tree.

The files in this directory contain the full license text and `Metatags`_. The file names are identical to the SPDX license identifier which shall be used for the license in source files.

Examples::

LICENSES/deprecated/ISC

Contains the Internet Systems Consortium license text and the required metatags::



LICENSES/deprecated/GPL-1.0

Contains the GPL version 1 license text and the required metatags.

Metatags:

The metatag requirements for 'other' licenses are identical to the requirements of the `Preferred licenses`_.

File format example::

Valid-License-Identifier: ISC

SPDX-URL: <https://spdx.org/licenses/ISC.html>

Usage-Guide:

Usage of this license in the kernel for new code is discouraged and it should solely be used for importing code from an already existing project.

To use this license in source code, put the following SPDX tag/value pair into a comment according to the placement guidelines in the licensing rules documentation.

SPDX-License-Identifier: ISC

License-Text:

Full license text

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3. Dual Licensing Only

These licenses should only be used to dual license code with another license in addition to a preferred license. These licenses are available from the directory::

LICENSES/dual/

in the kernel source tree.

The files in this directory contain the full license text and `Metatags`_. The file names are identical to the SPDX license identifier which shall be used for the license in source files.

Examples::

LICENSES/dual/MPL-1.1

Contains the Mozilla Public License version 1.1 license text and the required metatags::



LICENSES/dual/Apache-2.0

Contains the Apache License version 2.0 license text and the required metatags.

Metatags:

The metatag requirements for 'other' licenses are identical to the requirements of the `Preferred licenses`_.

File format example::

Valid-License-Identifier: MPL-1.1

SPDX-URL: <https://spdx.org/licenses/MPL-1.1.html>

Usage-Guide:

Do NOT use. The MPL-1.1 is not GPL2 compatible. It may only be used for dual-licensed files where the other license is GPL2 compatible.

If you end up using this it MUST be used together with a GPL2 compatible license using "OR".

To use the Mozilla Public License version 1.1 put the following SPDX tag/value pair into a comment according to the placement guidelines in the licensing rules documentation:

SPDX-License-Identifier: MPL-1.1

License-Text:

Full license text

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4. `Exceptions`_:

Some licenses can be amended with exceptions which grant certain rights which the original license does not. These exceptions are available from the directory::

LICENSES/exceptions/

in the kernel source tree. The files in this directory contain the full exception text and the required `Exception Metatags`_.

Examples::

LICENSES/exceptions/Linux-syscall-note

Contains the Linux syscall exception as documented in the COPYING file of the Linux kernel, which is used for UAPI header files.

e.g. `/* SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 WITH Linux-syscall-note */::`



LICENSES/exceptions/GCC-exception-2.0

Contains the GCC 'linking exception' which allows to link any binary independent of its license against the compiled version of a file marked with this exception. This is required for creating runnable executables from source code which is not compatible with the GPL.

`_`Exception Metatags`:`

The following meta tags must be available in an exception file:

- SPDX-Exception-Identifier:

One exception identifier which can be used with SPDX license identifiers.

- SPDX-URL:

The URL of the SPDX page which contains additional information related to the exception.

- SPDX-Licenses:

A comma separated list of SPDX license identifiers for which the exception can be used.

- Usage-Guidance:

Freeform text for usage advice. The text must be followed by correct examples for the SPDX license identifiers as they should be put into source files according to the 'License identifier syntax' guidelines.

- Exception-Text:

All text after this tag is treated as the original exception text

File format examples::

SPDX-Exception-Identifier: Linux-syscall-note

SPDX-URL: <https://spdx.org/licenses/Linux-syscall-note.html>

SPDX-Licenses: GPL-2.0, GPL-2.0+, GPL-1.0+, LGPL-2.0, LGPL-2.0+, LGPL-2.1, LGPL-2.1+

Usage-Guidance:

This exception is used together with one of the above SPDX-Licenses to mark user-space API (uapi) header files so they can be included into non GPL compliant user-space application code.

To use this exception add it with the keyword WITH to one of the



```
identifiers in the SPDX-Licenses tag:
    SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX-License> WITH Linux-syscall-note
Exception-Text:
Full exception text

::

SPDX-Exception-Identifier: GCC-exception-2.0
SPDX-URL: https://spdx.org/licenses/GCC-exception-2.0.html
SPDX-Licenses: GPL-2.0, GPL-2.0+
Usage-Guidance:
The "GCC Runtime Library exception 2.0" is used together with one
    of the above SPDX-Licenses for code imported from the GCC runtime
    library.
To use this exception add it with the keyword WITH to one of the
    identifiers in the SPDX-Licenses tag:
    SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX-License> WITH GCC-exception-2.0
Exception-Text:
Full exception text
```

All SPDX license identifiers and exceptions must have a corresponding file in the LICENSES subdirectories. This is required to allow tool verification (e.g. checkpatch.pl) and to have the licenses ready to read and extract right from the source, which is recommended by various FOSS organizations, e.g. the FSFE REUSE initiative <<https://reuse.software/>>`_.

```
_`MODULE_LICENSE`
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```

Loadable kernel modules also require a MODULE_LICENSE() tag. This tag is neither a replacement for proper source code license information (SPDX-License-Identifier) nor in any way relevant for expressing or determining the exact license under which the source code of the module is provided.

The sole purpose of this tag is to provide sufficient information whether the module is free software or proprietary for the kernel module loader and for user space tools.

The valid license strings for MODULE_LICENSE() are:

```
=====
"GPL"                Module is licensed under GPL version 2. This
                      does not express any distinction between
                      GPL-2.0-only or GPL-2.0-or-later. The exact
                      license information can only be determined
```



via the license information in the corresponding source files.

"GPL v2"	Same as "GPL". It exists for historic reasons.
"GPL and additional rights"	Historical variant of expressing that the module source is dual licensed under a GPL v2 variant and MIT license. Please do not use in new code.
"Dual MIT/GPL"	The correct way of expressing that the module is dual licensed under a GPL v2 variant or MIT license choice.
"Dual BSD/GPL"	The module is dual licensed under a GPL v2 variant or BSD license choice. The exact variant of the BSD license can only be determined via the license information in the corresponding source files.
"Dual MPL/GPL"	The module is dual licensed under a GPL v2 variant or Mozilla Public License (MPL) choice. The exact variant of the MPL license can only be determined via the license information in the corresponding source files.
"Proprietary"	The module is under a proprietary license. This string is solely for proprietary third party modules and cannot be used for modules which have their source code in the kernel tree. Modules tagged that way are tainting the kernel with the 'P' flag when loaded and the kernel module loader refuses to link such modules against symbols which are exported with EXPORT_SYMBOL_GPL().

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/Documentation/translations/zh_CN/process/license-rules.rst:

.. SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0

.. include:: ../disclaimer-zh_CN.rst

:Original: :ref:`Documentation/process/license-rules.rst <kernel_licensing>`

:Translator: Alex Shi <alex.shi@linux.alibaba.com>

.. _cn_kernel_licensing:



Linux内核许可规则

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Linux内核根据LICENSES/preferred/GPL-2.0中提供的GNU通用公共许可证版本2（GPL-2.0）的条款提供，并在LICENSES/exceptions/Linux-syscall-note中显式描述了例外的系统调用，如COPYING文件中所述。

此文档文件提供了如何对每个源文件进行注释以使其许可证清晰明确的说明。

它不会取代内核的许可证。

内核源代码作为一个整体适用于COPYING文件中描述的许可证，但是单个源文件可以具有不同的与GPL-2.0兼容的许可证：

GPL-1.0+：GNU通用公共许可证v1.0或更高版本

GPL-2.0+：GNU通用公共许可证v2.0或更高版本

LGPL-2.0：仅限GNU库通用公共许可证v2

LGPL-2.0+：GNU 库通用公共许可证v2或更高版本

LGPL-2.1：仅限GNU宽通用公共许可证v2.1

LGPL-2.1+：GNU宽通用公共许可证v2.1或更高版本

除此之外，个人文件可以在双重许可下提供，例如一个兼容的GPL变体，或者BSD, MIT等许可。

用户空间API（UAPI）头文件描述了用户空间程序与内核的接口，这是一种特殊情况。

根据内核COPYING文件中的注释，syscall接口是一个明确的边界，它不会将GPL要求扩展到任何使用它与内核通信的软件。由于UAPI头文件必须包含在创建在Linux内核上运行的可执行文件的任何源文件中，因此此例外必须记录在特别的许可证表述中。

表达源文件许可证的常用方法是将匹配的样板文本添加到文件的顶部注释中。由于格式，拼写错误等，这些“样板”很难通过那些在上下文中使用的验证许可证合规性的工具。

样板文本的替代方法是在每个源文件中使用软件包数据交换（SPDX）许可证标识符。SPDX许可证标识符是机器可解析的，并且是用于提供文件内容的许可证的精确缩写。SPDX许可证标识符由Linux 基金会的SPDX 工作组管理，并得到了整个行业，工具供应商和法律团队的合作伙伴的一致同意。有关详细信息，请参阅



<https://spdx.org/>

Linux内核需要所有源文件中的精确SPDX标识符。内核中使用的有效标识符在

‘许可标识符’_ 一节中进行了解释，并且已可以在

<https://spdx.org/licenses/> 上的官方SPDX许可证列表中检索，并附带许可证文本。

许可标识符语法

1. 安置：

内核文件中的SPDX许可证标识符应添加到可包含注释的文件中的第一行。对于大多数文件，这是第一行，除了那些在第一行中需要‘#!PATH_TO_INTERPRETER’的脚本。对于这些脚本，SPDX标识符进入第二行。

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2. 风格：

SPDX许可证标识符以注释的形式添加。注释样式取决于文件类型：：

```
C source:      // SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression>
C header:      /* SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression> */
ASM: /* SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression> */
scripts:      # SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression>
.rst: .. SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression>
.dts{i}:      // SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression>
```

如果特定工具无法处理标准注释样式，则应使用工具接受的相应注释机制。这是在C头文件中使用‘\/**/’样式注释的原因。过去在使用生成的.lds文件中观察到构建被破坏，其中‘ld’无法解析C++注释。现在已经解决了这个问题，但仍然有较旧的汇编程序工具无法处理C++样式的注释。

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3. 句法：

<SPDX许可证表达式>是SPDX许可证列表中的SPDX短格式许可证标识符，或者在许可证例外适用时由“WITH”分隔的两个SPDX短格式许可证标识符的组合。当应用多个许可证时，表达式由分隔子表达式的关键字“AND”，“OR”组成，并由“（”，“）”包围。



带有“或更高”选项的[L]GPL等许可证的许可证标识符通过使用“+”来表示“或更高”选项来构建。::

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+
// SPDX-License-Identifier: LGPL-2.1+
```

当需要修正的许可证时，应使用WITH。例如，linux内核UAPI文件使用表达式::

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 WITH Linux-syscall-note
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+ WITH Linux-syscall-note
```

其它在内核中使用WITH例外的事例如下::

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 WITH mif-exception
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+ WITH GCC-exception-2.0
```

例外只能与特定的许可证标识符一起使用。有效的许可证标识符列在异常文本文件的标记中。有关详细信息，请参阅“许可证标识符”一章中的“例外”。

如果文件是双重许可且只选择一个许可证，则应使用OR。例如，一些dtssi文件在双许可下可用::

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 OR BSD-3-Clause
```

内核中双许可文件中许可表达式的示例::

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 OR MIT
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 OR BSD-2-Clause
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 OR Apache-2.0
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 OR MPL-1.1
// SPDX-License-Identifier: (GPL-2.0 WITH Linux-syscall-note) OR MIT
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-1.0+ OR BSD-3-Clause OR OpenSSL
```

如果文件具有多个许可证，其条款全部适用于使用该文件，则应使用AND。例如，

如果代码是从另一个项目继承的，并且已经授予了将其放入内核的权限，但原始许可条款需要保持有效::

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: (GPL-2.0 WITH Linux-syscall-note) AND MIT
```

另一个需要遵守两套许可条款的例子是::



```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-1.0+ AND LGPL-2.1+
```

许可标识符

当前使用的许可证以及添加到内核的代码许可证可以分解为：

1. `_`` 优先许可 `:

应尽可能使用这些许可证，因为它们已知完全兼容并广泛使用。这些许可证在内核

目录::

```
LICENSES/preferred/
```

此目录中的文件包含完整的许可证文本和 ``元标记`_``。文件名与SPDX许可证标识符相同，后者应用于源文件中的许可证。

例如::

```
LICENSES/preferred/GPL-2.0
```

包含GPLv2许可证文本和所需的元标签::

```
LICENSES/preferred/MIT
```

包含MIT许可证文本和所需的元标记

`_`` 元标记 `:

许可证文件中必须包含以下元标记：

```
- Valid-License-Identifier:
```

一行或多行，声明那些许可标识符在项目内有效，以引用此特定许可的文本。通常这是一个有效的标识符，但是例如对于带有'或更高'选项的许可证，两个标识符都有效。

```
- SPDX-URL:
```

SPDX页面的URL，其中包含与许可证相关的其他信息。



- Usage-Guidance:

使用建议的自由格式文本。该文本必须包含SPDX许可证标识符的正确示例，因为它们应根据“许可标识符语法”指南放入源文件中。

- License-Text:

此标记之后的所有文本都被视为原始许可文本

文件格式示例::

```
Valid-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0
Valid-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+
SPDX-URL: https://spdx.org/licenses/GPL-2.0.html
Usage-Guide:
To use this license in source code, put one of the following SPDX
tag/value pairs into a comment according to the placement
guidelines in the licensing rules documentation.
For 'GNU General Public License (GPL) version 2 only' use:
    SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0
For 'GNU General Public License (GPL) version 2 or any later version' use:
    SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+
License-Text:
Full license text

::

SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
SPDX-URL: https://spdx.org/licenses/MIT.html
Usage-Guide:
    To use this license in source code, put the following SPDX
    tag/value pair into a comment according to the placement
    guidelines in the licensing rules documentation.
        SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
License-Text:
Full license text
```

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2. 不推荐的许可证:

这些许可证只应用于现有代码或从其他项目导入代码。这些许可证在内核目录::

LICENSES/other/



此目录中的文件包含完整的许可证文本和 `元标记`_。文件名与SPDX许可证标识符相同，后者应用于源文件中的许可证。

例如::

```
LICENSES/other/ISC
```

包含国际系统联合许可文本和所需的元标签::

```
LICENSES/other/ZLib
```

包含ZLIB许可文本和所需的元标签。

元标签:

`其他`许可证的元标签要求与 `优先许可`_ 的要求相同。

文件格式示例::

```
Valid-License-Identifier: ISC
SPDX-URL: https://spdx.org/licenses/ISC.html
Usage-Guide:
Usage of this license in the kernel for new code is discouraged
    and it should solely be used for importing code from an already
    existing project.
To use this license in source code, put the following SPDX
    tag/value pair into a comment according to the placement
    guidelines in the licensing rules documentation.
    SPDX-License-Identifier: ISC
License-Text:
Full license text
```

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3. `例外`:

某些许可证可以修改，并允许原始许可证不具有的某些例外权利。这些例外在

内核目录::

```
LICENSES/exceptions/
```

此目录中的文件包含完整的例外文本和所需的 `例外元标记`_。



例如：

```
LICENSES/exceptions/Linux-syscall-note
```

包含Linux内核的COPYING文件中记录的Linux系统调用例外，该文件用于UAPI头文件。例如：

```
LICENSES/exceptions/GCC-exception-2.0
```

包含GCC'链接例外'，它允许独立于其许可证的任何二进制文件与标记有此例外的文件的编译版本链接。这是从GPL不兼容源代码创建可运行的可执行文件所必需的。

__`例外元标记`：

以下元标记必须在例外文件中可用：

- SPDX-Exception-Identifier:

一个可与SPDX许可证标识符一起使用的例外标识符。

- SPDX-URL:

SPDX页面的URL，其中包含与例外相关的其他信息。

- SPDX-Licenses:

以逗号分隔的例外可用的SPDX许可证标识符列表。

- Usage-Guidance:

使用建议的自由格式文本。必须在文本后面加上SPDX许可证标识符的正确示例，

因为它们应根据`许可标识符语法`__指南放入源文件中。

- Exception-Text:

此标记之后的所有文本都被视为原始异常文本

文件格式示例：

```
SPDX-Exception-Identifier: Linux-syscall-note
```

```
SPDX-URL: https://spdx.org/licenses/Linux-syscall-note.html
```



SPDX-Licenses: GPL-2.0, GPL-2.0+, GPL-1.0+, LGPL-2.0, LGPL-2.0+, LGPL-2.1, LGPL-2.1+

Usage-Guidance:

This exception is used together with one of the above SPDX-Licenses to mark user-space API (uapi) header files so they can be included into non GPL compliant user-space application code.

To use this exception add it with the keyword WITH to one of the identifiers in the SPDX-Licenses tag:

SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX-License> WITH Linux-syscall-note

Exception-Text:

Full exception text

::

SPDX-Exception-Identifier: GCC-exception-2.0

SPDX-URL: <https://spdx.org/licenses/GCC-exception-2.0.html>

SPDX-Licenses: GPL-2.0, GPL-2.0+

Usage-Guidance:

The "GCC Runtime Library exception 2.0" is used together with one of the above SPDX-Licenses for code imported from the GCC runtime library.

To use this exception add it with the keyword WITH to one of the identifiers in the SPDX-Licenses tag:

SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX-License> WITH GCC-exception-2.0

Exception-Text:

Full exception text

所有SPDX许可证标识符和例外都必须在LICENSES子目录中具有相应的文件。这是允许工具验证（例如checkpatch.pl）以及准备好从源读取和提取许可证所必需的，这是各种FOSS组织推荐的，例如`FSFE REUSE initiative <<https://reuse.software/>>`_。

_`模块许可`

可加载内核模块还需要MODULE_LICENSE（）标记。此标记既不替代正确的源代码许可证信息（SPDX-License-Identifier），也不以任何方式表示或确定提供模块源代码的确切许可证。

此标记的唯一目的是提供足够的信息，该模块是否是自由软件或者是内核模块加载器和用户空间工具的专有模块。

MODULE_LICENSE（）的有效许可证字符串是：



"GPL" 模块是根据GPL版本2许可的。这并不表示仅限于

GPL-2.0或GPL-2.0或更高版本之间的任何区别。

最正确许可证信息只能通过相应源文件中的许可证信息来确定

"GPL v2" 和"GPL"相同, 它的存在是因为历史原因。

"GPL and additional rights" 表示模块源在GPL v2变体和MIT许可下双重许可的历史变体。请不要在新代码中使用。

"Dual MIT/GPL" 表达该模块在GPL v2变体或MIT许可证选择下双重许可的正确方式。

"Dual BSD/GPL" 该模块根据GPL v2变体或BSD许可证选择进行双重许可。 BSD许可证的确切变体只能通过相应源文件中的许可证信息来确定。

"Dual MPL/GPL" 该模块根据GPL v2变体或Mozilla Public License (MPL) 选项进行双重许可。MPL许可证的确切变体只能通过相应的源文件中的许可证信息来确定。

"Proprietary" 该模块属于专有许可。此字符串仅用于专有的第三
方模块，不能用于在内核中具有源代码的模块。
以这种方式标记的模块在加载时会使用 'P' 标记污
染内核，并且内核模块加载器拒绝将这些模块链接
到使用 EXPORT_SYMBOL_GPL() 导出的符号。

[/Documentation/translations/it_IT/process/license-rules.rst:](#)

```
.. SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0
```

```
.. include:: ../disclaimer-ita.rst
```

```
:Original: :ref:`Documentation/process/license-rules.rst <kernel_licensing>`
```

:Translator: Federico Vaga <federico.vaga@vaga.pv.it>

```
.. it kernel licensing:
```

Regole per licenziare il kernel Linux



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Il kernel Linux viene rilasciato sotto i termini definiti dalla seconda versione della licenza *GNU General Public License* (GPL-2.0), di cui una copia è disponibile nel file LICENSES/preferred/GPL-2.0; a questo si aggiunge eccezione per le chiamate di sistema come descritto in LICENSES/exceptions/Linux-syscall-note; tutto ciò è descritto nel file COPYING.

Questo documento fornisce una descrizione su come ogni singolo file sorgente debba essere licenziato per far sì che sia chiaro e non ambiguo. Questo non sostituisce la licenza del kernel.

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```
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ASM: /* SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression> */
scripts:      # SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression>
.rst:.. SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression>
.dts{i}:      // SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX License Expression>
```

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```

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```
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// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+ WITH Linux-syscall-note
```

Altri esempi di usi di WITH all'interno del kernel sono::

```
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// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0+ WITH GCC-exception-2.0
```

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```
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```

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// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 OR MPL-1.1
// SPDX-License-Identifier: (GPL-2.0 WITH Linux-syscall-note) OR MIT
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```



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// SPDX-License-Identifier: (GPL-2.0 WITH Linux-syscall-note) AND MIT
```

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```
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```

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Esempi::

LICENSES/preferred/GPL-2.0

Contiene il testo della seconda versione della licenza GPL e i metatag necessari::

LICENSES/preferred/MIT

Contiene il testo della licenza MIT e i metatag necessari.

_`Metatag`:

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Esempi::

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License-Text:

Full license text

::

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SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT

License-Text:

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LICENSES/deprecated/

I file in questa cartella contengono il testo completo della licenza e i metatag. Il nome di questi file è lo stesso usato come identificatore di licenza SPDX e che deve essere usato nei file sorgenti.

Esempi::

LICENSES/deprecated/ISC

Contiene il testo della licenza Internet System Consortium e i suoi metatag::

LICENSES/deprecated/GPL-1.0

Contiene il testo della versione 1 della licenza GPL e i suoi metatag.

Metatag:

I metatag necessari per le 'altre' ('other') licenze sono gli stessi di usati per le 'Licenze raccomandate'.

Esempio del formato del file::

Valid-License-Identifier: ISC

SPDX-URL: <https://spdx.org/licenses/ISC.html>

Usage-Guide:

Usage of this license in the kernel for new code is discouraged and it should solely be used for importing code from an already existing project.

To use this license in source code, put the following SPDX tag/value pair into a comment according to the placement guidelines in the licensing rules documentation.

SPDX-License-Identifier: ISC

License-Text:



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3. Solo per doppie licenze

Queste licenze dovrebbero essere usate solamente per codice licenziato in combinazione con un'altra licenza che solitamente è quella preferita. Queste licenze sono disponibili nei sorgenti del kernel nella cartella::

LICENSES/dual

I file in questa cartella contengono il testo completo della rispettiva licenza e i suoi `Metatag`_. I nomi dei file sono identici agli identificatori di licenza SPDX che dovrebbero essere usati nei file sorgenti.

Esempi::

LICENSES/dual/MPL-1.1

Questo file contiene il testo della versione 1.1 della licenza *Mozilla Public License* e i metatag necessari::

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Questo file contiene il testo della versione 2.0 della licenza Apache e i metatag necessari.

Metatag:

I requisiti per le 'altre' ('*other*') licenze sono identici a quelli per le `Licenze raccomandate`_.

Esempio del formato del file::

Valid-License-Identifier: MPL-1.1

SPDX-URL: <https://spdx.org/licenses/MPL-1.1.html>

Usage-Guide:

Do NOT use. The MPL-1.1 is not GPL2 compatible. It may only be used for dual-licensed files where the other license is GPL2 compatible.

If you end up using this it MUST be used together with a GPL2 compatible license using "OR".

To use the Mozilla Public License version 1.1 put the following SPDX tag/value pair into a comment according to the placement guidelines in the licensing rules documentation:

SPDX-License-Identifier: MPL-1.1



License-Text:
Full license text

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4. `__`Eccezioni``:

Alcune licenze possono essere corrette con delle eccezioni che forniscono diritti aggiuntivi. Queste eccezioni sono disponibili nei sorgenti del kernel nella cartella::

`LICENSES/exceptions/`

I file in questa cartella contengono il testo completo dell'eccezione e i ``Metatag` per le eccezioni `__``.

Esempi::

`LICENSES/exceptions/Linux-syscall-note`

Contiene la descrizione dell'eccezione per le chiamate di sistema Linux così come documentato nel file COPYING del kernel Linux; questo viene usato per i file d'intestazione per la UAPI. Per esempio
`/* SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0 WITH Linux-syscall-note */::`

`LICENSES/exceptions/GCC-exception-2.0`

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- `SPDX-URL:`

L'URL della pagina SPDX che contiene informazioni aggiuntive riguardanti l'eccezione.

- `SPDX-Licenses:`



Una lista di licenze SPDX separate da virgola, che possono essere usate con l'eccezione.

- Usage-Guidance:

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- Exception-Text:

Tutto il testo che compare dopo questa etichetta viene trattato come se fosse parte del testo originale della licenza.

Esempi::

```
SPDX-Exception-Identifier: Linux-syscall-note
SPDX-URL: https://spdx.org/licenses/Linux-syscall-note.html
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```

Usage-Guidance:

This exception is used together with one of the above SPDX-Licenses to mark user-space API (uapi) header files so they can be included into non GPL compliant user-space application code.

To use this exception add it with the keyword WITH to one of the identifiers in the SPDX-Licenses tag:

```
SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX-License> WITH Linux-syscall-note
```

Exception-Text:

Full exception text

::

```
SPDX-Exception-Identifier: GCC-exception-2.0
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SPDX-Licenses: GPL-2.0, GPL-2.0+
```

Usage-Guidance:

The "GCC Runtime Library exception 2.0" is used together with one of the above SPDX-Licenses for code imported from the GCC runtime library.

To use this exception add it with the keyword WITH to one of the identifiers in the SPDX-Licenses tag:

```
SPDX-License-Identifier: <SPDX-License> WITH GCC-exception-2.0
```

Exception-Text:

Full exception text

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__MODULE_LICENSE`

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Le stringhe di licenza valide per MODULE_LICENSE() sono:

```
=====
"GPL"                Il modulo è licenziato con la GPL versione 2.
                       Questo non fa distinzione fra GPL'2.0-only o
                       GPL-2.0-or-later. L'esatta licenza può essere
                       determinata solo leggendo i corrispondenti
                       file sorgenti.

"GPL v2"              Stesso significato di "GPL". Esiste per
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"GPL and additional rights" Questa è una variante che esiste per motivi
                       storici che indica che i sorgenti di un
                       modulo sono rilasciati sotto una variante
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"Dual MIT/GPL"        Questo è il modo corretto per esprimere il
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                       della GPL v2 o la licenza MIT.

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                       BSD può essere determinata solo attraverso i
                       corrispondenti file sorgenti.
```



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"Proprietary"

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=====
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/drivers/atm/nicstarmac.copyright:

```
/* nicstar.c v0.22 Jawaidd Bazyar (bazyar@hypermall.com)
 * nicstar.c, M. Welsh (matt.welsh@cl.cam.ac.uk)
 *
 * Hacked October, 1997 by Jawaidd Bazyar, Interlink Advertising Services Inc.
 * http://www.hypermall.com/
 * 10/1/97 - commented out CFG_PHYIE bit - we don't care when the PHY
 * interrupts us (except possibly for removal/insertion of the cable?)
 * 10/4/97 - began heavy inline documentation of the code. Corrected typos
 * and spelling mistakes.
 * 10/5/97 - added code to handle PHY interrupts, disable PHY on
 * loss of link, and correctly re-enable PHY when link is
 * re-established. (put back CFG_PHYIE)
 *
 * Modified to work with the IDT7721 nicstar -- AAL5 (tested) only.
 *
 * R. D. Rechenmacher <ron@fnal.gov>, Aug. 6, 1997
```



```
*
* Linux driver for the IDT77201 NICStAR PCI ATM controller.
* PHY component is expected to be 155 Mbps S/UNI-Lite or IDT 77155;
* see init_nicstar() for PHY initialization to change this. This driver
* expects the Linux ATM stack to support scatter-gather lists
* (skb->atm.iovcnt != 0) for Rx skb's passed to vcc->push.
*
* Implementing minimal-copy of received data:
*   IDT always receives data into a small buffer, then large buffers
*   as needed. This means that data must always be copied to create
*   the linear buffer needed by most non-ATM protocol stacks (e.g. IP)
*   Fix is simple: make large buffers large enough to hold entire
*   SDU, and leave <small_buffer_data> bytes empty at the start. Then
*   copy small buffer contents to head of large buffer.
*   Trick is to avoid fragmenting Linux, due to need for a lot of large
*   buffers. This is done by 2 things:
*       1) skb->destructor / skb->atm.recycle_buffer
*          combined, allow nicstar_free_rx_skb to be called to
*          recycle large data buffers
*       2) skb_clone of received buffers
*   See nicstar_free_rx_skb and linearize_buffer for implementation
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*
*
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*
* M. Welsh, 6 July 1996
*
*
*/
```

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