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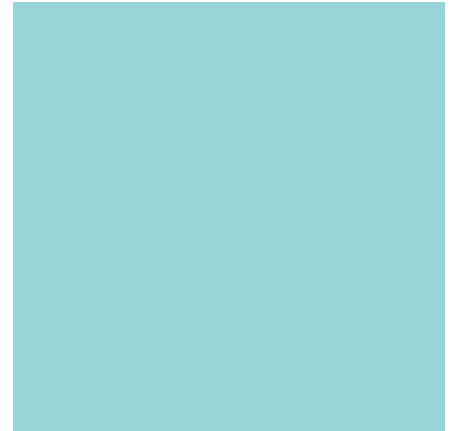
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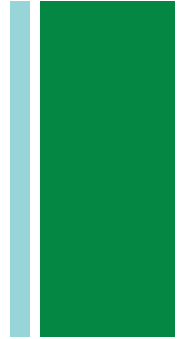
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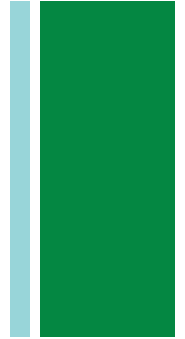
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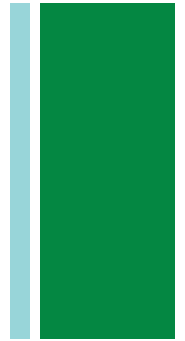


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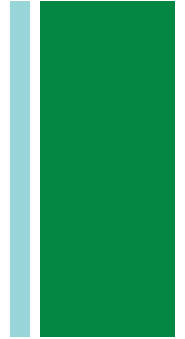
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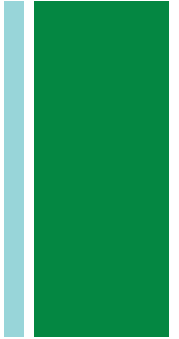
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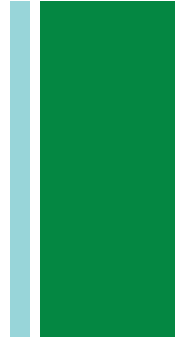
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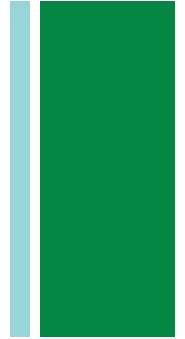


# + PM Constraints Goals



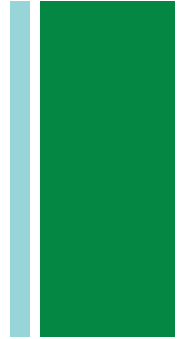
- Capture use cases and requirements
  - Collating these will happen for publishing next week.
- Arrange follow up work
  - We'll review of design and summary documents on a interested party bases before posting them to linux-pm or elsewhere.
  - Email [mark.gross@intel.com](mailto:mark.gross@intel.com) if you want to be CC'ed.

# + PM Constraints High Level Directions



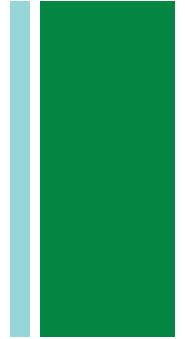
- Generalized constraints enabling for all devices and buses (not exposed to user mode, not portable yet in common code)
- Want use case based performance QoS to be portable across CPU's
- Platform / board specific implementations interpreting use case QoS is desired.
- Want cpu-HZ constraint defined.
- Don't want thermal constraint.

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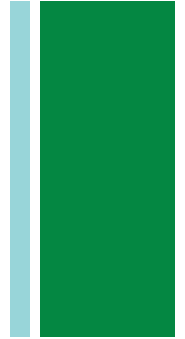
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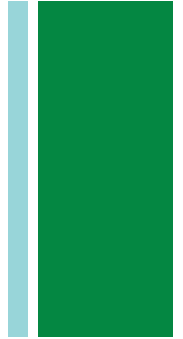
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# + File & Storage Microconf

- System Storage Manager
- Libstoragemgmt
- Anaconda & Snapper
- Local FS State of the Union
- IO Hinting Discussion
- Weird NFS Tricks and Future topics



# + File & Storage Management Work

## ■ Libstorageemgmt

- Provides a library to do common block level operations on storage arrays
- Full time developers and storage vendor participation
- <http://sourceforge.net/apps/trac/libstorageemgmt>

## ■ System Storage Manager

- Btrfs like “ease of use” for xfs, ext4 on top of LVM
- <http://sourceforge.net/p/storagemanager/home/Home/>



# + File & Storage Resources/Questions

- Resources

- Linux Weekly News: <http://lwn.net/>
- Mailing lists like linux-scsi, linux-ide, linux-fsdevel, etc

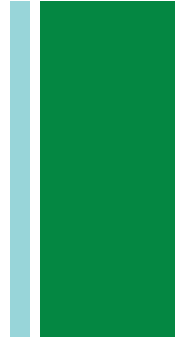
- Storage & file system focused events

- LSF workshop
- Linux Foundation events
- Linux Plumbers

- IRC

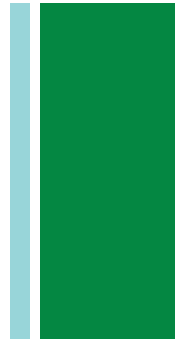
- [irc.freenode.net](http://irc.freenode.net)
- [irc.oftc.net](http://irc.oftc.net)

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# + Networking Microconf Topics

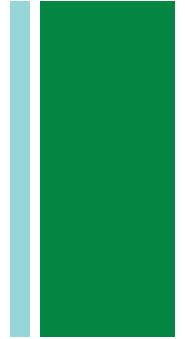


- fq\_codel
- Byte queue limits
- Data direct I/O
- Ethernet AVB
- TCP Transmit Loss Probe
- TCP congestion manager
- TCP multipath
- mq\_prio queuing discipline
- Interfaces to HW QoS
- open-vswitch optimizations

# + Networking Points of Significance

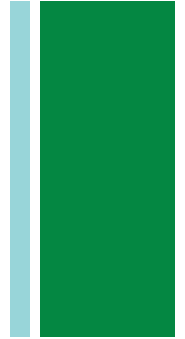
- Solutions to BufferBloat are getting in kernel!
- Possibility of fq\_codel being default queuing discipline
- TCP loss, path improvements (wireless, mobile included)
- Standard kernel APIs to control NIC features like rate limiting are needed
- Virtualization is pervasive in most of stack
- Active polling on sockets could be very significant feature

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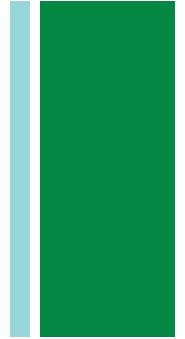
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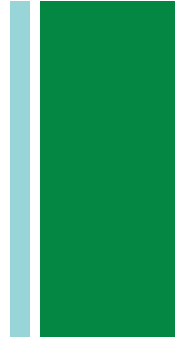
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# + Scheduler Microconf Summary

- How to keep CPU quiescent ?
- Sharing information with other frameworks
  - One place for CPU statistics : scheduler
  - Enhanced statistics made available to other frameworks (e.g. cpufreq/cpuidle)
  - Return a “preferred” CPU to other frameworks (e.g. timer/workqueue)
- Remove last blocking use case for timer migration
- Tasks placement for asymmetric system
  - Goals is to quiesce CPU; different solutions (hotplug, scheduler)
  - Experimental results looks good; Need to clean patches for RFC
- Deadline scheduler and power consumption

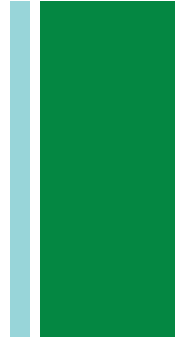


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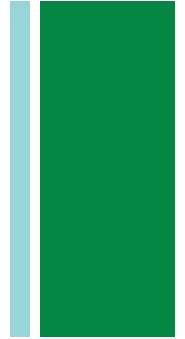
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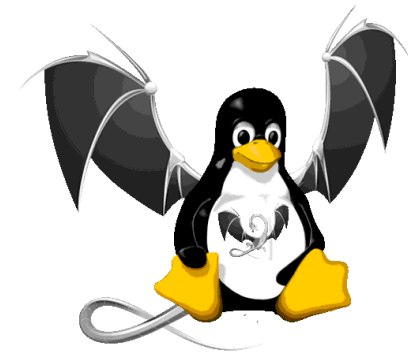
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# + LLVM uConference

- Linux developers are interested in learning more about Clang/LLVM for kernel development
- Clang/LLVM is a single toolchain/framework which provides the features of otherwise separate tools (compiler, static analyzer, etc)
- Clang is very capable, but there still needs to be some work-arounds and patches to compile the Linux kernel
- Currently still need to use the gcc assembler and linker with Clang for the kernel

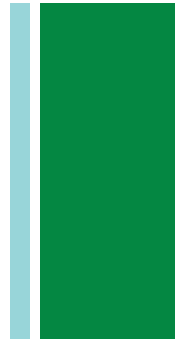


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- The Clang/LLVM project is interested in making changes to support the LLVMLinux effort
- There are undocumented gcc options used in the kernel. The gcc project wants bug reports to fix their documentation.
- The gcc project also wants bug reports around vectorization issues that are found as vectorization work in being done on LLVM
- The LTP project wants new tests upstreamed to them too
- The biggest problem found with the LLVMLinux project was that it didn't have T-shirts available
- <http://llvm.linuxfoundation.org>

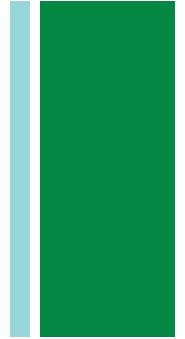


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# + Android Challenges

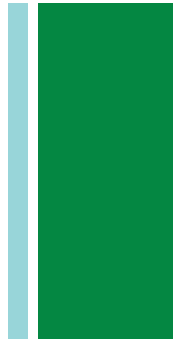


- How can Android and standard Linux coexist
- How can Android benefit from standard Linux and vice versa
  - Kernel
  - Userland components
  - Apps



# + Android Graphics: Kernel

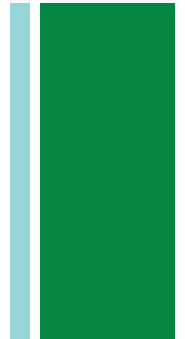
- Android adopted dmabuf for  $\geq 3.4$ ; compatibility layer for ion exists
  - dmabuf backed ion is the way to go
  - Nice to have dma-fence strictly ordered
  - Ion/dmabuf primitives need to be the same
- DRM display is likely to be useful for Android
- DRM display needs better documentation; might be an option for Android
  - DRM lacks a nuclear page flip
- hwcomposer could be useful for wayland: for prepare
  - If hwcomposer uses DRM: wayland can run on android kernel
- Is there a common ground for DRM GL and Android?
  - Very vendor specific! A black box
  - Wayland can use the vendor GL stacks with EGL wrapping stuff
  - Challenge: how can wayland use Android components? almost there
- hwcomposer could be used for prepare o wayland side
- Use KMS in hwcomposer







# Render Android Apps on Wayland



## ■ Challenge:

- standard Linux community would benefit from getting this right
- Running GNU/Linux and Android in parallel is solved for using separate framebuffers
- How can we have an Android app draw to Wayland surface

## ■ Approaches:

- **Option 1:** surfaceflinger Proxy speaking wayland
  - Problem: needs porting for every Android release
- **Option 2:** render the app as-is to separate framebuffer
- **Problem: running multiple apps breaks Android API contracts, lifecycle/etc**
  - Solution: maybe run multiple android service layers? Binder namespaces or something...?!?!?
- **Wanted: properly integrate with the windowmanager**
  - Requires to understand and map the Android window manager protocol to Wayland
  - **Seems it's Very Hard!**



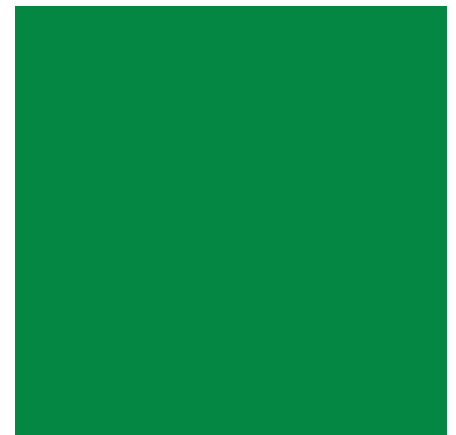
Lighting Talks/Open Floor





## Closing Party Logistics

- Tonight's party will be at El Vitral in the Gaslamp Quarter; you can easily walk elsewhere afterwards.
- Buses leaving from the front of the hotel at 6:00 and 6:30; last bus back to the hotel will leave El Vitral at 10:45.
- We have several vegetarian food options that should be clearly marked; ask a committee member or wait staff if you have questions
- Corn tortillas at El Vitral are gluten free; talk to your server if you have questions
- Issues or questions? Find a committee member



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