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Free Software

- "Free" as in beer (gratis)
- "Free" as in speech (libre)

- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gratis_versus_libre
- http://www.gnu.org/philosophy/free-sw.en.html

"GNU" or "Linux"?

- Linux is an operating system
- GNU is a free software mass collaboration project

 https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GNU/ Linux_naming_controversy

GNU

- rms (Richard Stallman), 1984
- When you think of Linux you probably think of GNU software

 Includes software such as gcc, gdb, grub, gnome, emacs, bash, glibc

Linux

- Linus Torvalds, October 1991
- UNIX-like
- Extremely wide deployment on web servers, supercomputers, cell phones, and embedded devices
- If GNU/Linux were OS X, Linux itself would be Darwin

 "I started Linux as a desktop operating system. And it's the only area where Linux hasn't completely taken over. That just annoys the hell out of me." -Linus Torvalds, 2012

Ubuntu

- Widely deployed Linux "distribution"
- New release every 6 months
- LTS (long-term support) release every 24 months
- Officially supported by Swift team

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