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Red Hat has just announced the new version of Fedora Core, a week after the company said it was creating the Fedora Foundation to run the project.

Fedora Core 4 (FC4) promises the latest and greatest of the free and open source world, including GNOME 2.10 and KDE 3.4.

In addition to a prerelease version of OpenOffice.org 2.0, the full release of which is still months off, FC4 includes the latest Linux kernel (2.6.11), Firefox (1.0.4), Samba (3.0.14a) and Apache (2.0.54).

Red Hat's developers also introduced a new default desktop theme called Clearlooks, which evolved from the Bluecurve theme, which has been the default since Red Hat Linux version 8.0.

Of particular note with FC4 is that it has expanded beyond its traditional architecture support of x86 and x86-64 to include support for PowerPC.

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