

SELinux sparks tussle over Linux security model

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Should Security Enhanced Linux be designated as the sole security framework for Linux?

While most security specialists would agree on the high quality of SELinux, proponents are arguing this framework is the only one that should be needed for the open-source operating system kernel. In fact, it would eliminate the need for the Linux Security Module, an open platform for outsider developers to build their own security frameworks for Linux.

And this idea has raised the ire of Linux keeper Linus Torvalds.

"Right now, I see discussions about removing LSM because `SELinux is everything.' THAT IS A PROBLEM," he wrote, the all-caps wording an indicator of his displeasure.

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