

A Dying Tux in an Airbus

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A couple of days ago I took a transatlantic flight on an Airbus A330. It is a large plane where each seat is accompanied by a computer named "Entertainment System". It contained games, movies, and stuff like inflight information (plane location mapped onto the world map, and flight progress details, which is kinda reassuring given that the flight lasts for 10+ hours.) A killer feature of such system is its USB port useful when you want to read/watch something on your mobile phone (or type this story, for instance.)

Not only did I learn that day what operating system that computer ran, but I found out another example how computers can demonstrate such "human" feelings as courage and hope.

It all started with nothing special.

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