

TLWIR 52: Secure Boot Reveals the Need for a GNU/Linux Reference System

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In TLWIR 51, I talked about how Coreboot might provide a solution to the confusion created by the Secure Boot fiasco. In the Linux Week in Review 52, I'll talk about the need for a GNU/Linux reference system. In this 'gold standard' system, all of the installed hardware would be known to work perfectly with the latest version of the Linux kernel.

Lean Six Sigma

I recently completed a course on Lean Six Sigma, and everything that I learned was directly applicable to improving GNU/Linux. GNU/Linux is an engineering marvel. It supports an incredibly broad range of hardware. However, I believe that there needs to be a renewed emphasis on providing the desktop user with a 'perfect' solution. Like the Google Nexus brand of Android devices, there needs to be a reference GNU/Linux desktop that manufacturers can look to and imitate as the 'gold standard'.

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