

Open Source -- the one, true way to develop software

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Real revolutions, the ones that last, are often quiet ones.

They aren't shocking. They don't rock the world. They just change the world so slowly that it's only when you wake up one day and think about it, you realize the world isn't the same anymore.

That's what's happened with open source and software development.

If you step into the Wayback Machine to say February 2001, you'll find that open-source and Linux are still regarded with a great deal of suspicion. IBM is supporting Linux and open-source, but most mainstream software companies will have nothing to do with either one. For the most part, the Linux and open-source banners are carried by small, start-up companies.

Fast forward to 2006.

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