

The Linux Setup - Emmanuele Bassi, GNOME Developer

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Emmanuele's interview is wonderful because he embodies the true spirit of open source software ? he sees broken things and he fixes them. It sounds simple, but it's people like Emmanuele that make Linux possible. His setup is GNOME-intensive, as you might expect from someone on the board of the GNOME Foundation.

1. Why do you use Linux?

I started using Linux in 1997 because it was already better than Windows at the time: I could run Doom 2 in a window, instead of rebooting Windows 95 into DOS mode. Sure, I had to install random packages, and I had to recompile my kernel, and configure X11 and fvwm2 so that I could actually run Doom 2, but it was definitely worth it. I use Linux because it allows me to improve it whenever I find something that does not work the way I want it to. Thanks to that, I found a great community inside GNOME, as well as a day job that lets me work on what I like.

2. What distribution do you run on your main desktop/laptop?

I'm currently running Fedora 19 on my 2011 MacBook Pro.

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