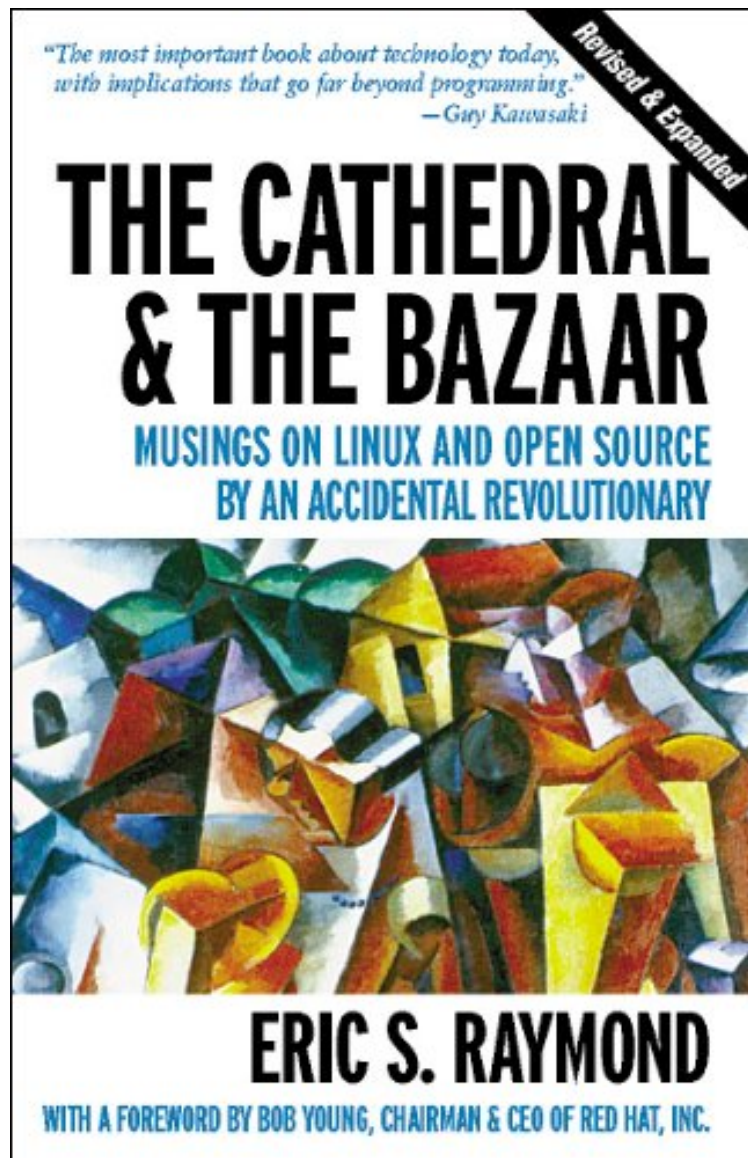


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successful method for collaborative innovation Von John Having struggled for many years to force developers to use software development processes that were intrinsically limiting and disheartening because they did not allow people to do what they new to be right. I was tremendously relieved to see how software can come together using this style of development. Not only does it work it also makes people feel proud of their work and committed to producing high quality deliverables. The sooner software development professionals accept that their vocation is a craft and will never be an engineering discipline the better for all of us. When we start to treat developers with the respect deserved by craftsmen and give them the autonomy they desire we will start to see software that actually does what it is supposed to do with a high level of quality. This book talks about these issues and many more. If you develop software you cannot afford to ignore it. But more importantly this book talks about a successful method for collaborative innovation. Which should exite anyone who needs to harness creativity. 2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Excellent Von Ein Kunde Eric S. Raymond is one of the major players of the open source community; he lives and breathes open source. His essay "The Cathedral and the Bazaar" is required reading for anybody who wants to understand the open source movement. I highly recommend this book. 5 stars 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Absolute Gold. A Book All Should Read Von Portege The methods for development detailed within this book extend far beyond software development. Dealing strictly with software development, though, this book does an excellent job discussing open source and closed source software, as well as motivations for open source projects and tidbits on hackerdom. Having met Eric Raymond myself, I know his works are genuine and powerful. The material in this book is what caused Netscape to open source their Web browser. Anybody who questions the ideals and motives of open source and wishes to learn more about this increasingly popular software production model should read this book. That being said, buy it!

Kurzbeschreibung Open source provides the competitive advantage in the Internet Age. According to the August Forrester Report, 56 percent of IT managers interviewed at Global 2,500 companies are already using some type of open source software in their infrastructure and another 6 percent will install it in the next two years. This revolutionary model for collaborative software development is being embraced and studied by many of the biggest players in the high-tech industry, from Sun Microsystems to IBM to Intel. The Cathedral the Bazaar is a must for anyone who cares about the future of the computer industry or the dynamics of the information economy. Already, billions of dollars have been made and lost based on the ideas in this book. Its conclusions will be studied, debated, and implemented for years to come. According to Bob Young, "This is Eric Raymond's great contribution to the success of the open source revolution, to the adoption of Linux-based operating systems, and to the success of open source users and the companies that supply them." The interest in open source software development has grown enormously in the past year. This revised and expanded paperback edition includes new material on open source developments in 1999 and 2000. Raymond's clear and effective writing style accurately describing the benefits of open source software has been key to its success. With major vendors creating acceptance for open source within companies, independent vendors will become the open source story in 2001..de Dieser Titel ist in englischer Sprache Als das grte Werk zur Computerprogrammierung seit der Internetrevolution mu Eric Raymonds jngste Sammlung von Aufstzen, The Cathedral And The Bazaar, nicht unbedingt betrachtet werden. Genauso wenig sollte man jedoch die Implikationen und den langfristigen Nutzen dieser sorgfichtigen Beschreibung der Entwicklung Freier Software (Open Source Software) ignorieren -- vor allem angesichts der Tatsache, da Unternehmen und Wirtschaft in steigendem Mae von diesen neuen Computertechnologien abhngen. The Cathedral And The Bazaar ist nach einem Vortrag benannt, den Raymond 1997 beim Linux-Kongre hielt. Der Aufsatz dokumentiert wie Raymond Fetchmail, eine E-Mail-Utility, erwarb, umstrukturierte und mehrfach neu bearbeitete. Raymond stellt auf interessante Weise den Entwicklungsproze von Fetchmail dar und erlutert gleichzeitig die fortlaufende Basar-Entwicklungsmethode, die er mit Untersttzung freiwilliger Programmierer anwendet. Der Aufsatz erspart dem Leser klugerweise zu viel technischen Morast, der leicht vom eigentlichen Ziel des Textes ablenken knnte, nmlich die Wirksamkeit des Modells der Freien Software, auch Basar-Modell, bei der Entwicklung robuster und brauchbarer Software aufzuzeigen. Zunchst fhrt Raymond die Komponenten und Beteiligten ein, die fr ein optimal funktionierendes Open-Source-Modell notwendig sind, das er dann der konventionellen Weisheit der klassischen Softwareentwicklung mit geheimgehaltenen Quellcodes (Closed Source Software) entgegensetzt. Wie bei einem excellent programmierten Code antizipiert der Autor mit seinen Argumenten systematisch jegliche Einwnde. Viele Programmierer "machen sich Sorgen, da der bergang zu Freier Software ihre Arbeitspltze berflssig macht oder den Wert ihrer Arbeit herabsetzt". Raymond widerspricht geschickt und sachlich, da "die Gehlter der meisten Programmierer nicht von den Umstzen aus dem Softwareverkauf abhngen". Raymonds verblffende berzeugungskraft ist ebenso grenzenlos wie seine Fhigkeit, das Potential der Open-Source-Entwicklung herauszuarbeiten. Raymond erlutert nicht nur die Open-Source-Methode und ihre Vorteile, sondern versucht zudem, die Hackerkultur vor den ruchlosen Konnotationen zu retten, die typischerweise in seinem Aufsatz A Brief History Of Hackerdom mit ihr assoziiert werden (Es nicht weiter verwunderlich, da er auch The New Hacker's

Dictionary verfat hat). Die Hackerkultur in ein besseres Licht zu rcken, mag an sich ein heroisches Unterfangen sein, aber angesichts der herkulischen Anstrengungen und der perfektionistischen Ambitionen Raymonds und seiner Mitstreiter in der Open-Source-Entwicklung, wird dieses Licht wohl hell erstrahlen. --Ryan Kuykendall.co.uk It may be foolish to consider Eric Raymond's recent collection of essays, *The Cathedral and the Bazaar*, the most important computer programming thinking to follow the Internet revolution. And yet it would be more unfortunate to overlook the implications and long-term benefits of Raymond's fastidious description of Open Source software development considering the growing dependence businesses and economies have on emerging computer technologies. *The Cathedral and the Bazaar* takes its title from an essay of the same name which Raymond read at the 1997 Linux Congress and that was previously available only online. The essay documents Raymond's acquisition, re-creation and numerous revisions of an email utility known as fetchmail. Raymond engagingly narrates the fetchmail development process while at the same time elaborating upon the on- going bazaar development method he employs with the assistance of numerous volunteer programmers who participate in the writing and debugging of the code. The essay smartly spares the reader from the technical morass that could easily detract from the text's goal of demonstrating the efficacy of the Open Source, or bazaar, method in creating robust, usable software. Once Raymond has established the components and players necessary for an optimally running Open Source model, he sets out to counter the conventional wisdom of private, closed source software development. Like superbly written code, the author's arguments systematically anticipate their rebuttals. For those programmers who "worry that the transition to open source will abolish or devalue their jobs", Raymond adeptly and factually counters that "most developer's salaries don't depend on software sale value." Raymond's uncanny ability to convince is as unrestrained as his capacity for extrapolating upon the promise of Open Source development. In addition to outlining the Open Source methodology and its benefits, Raymond also sets out to salvage the hacker moniker from the nefarious connotations typically associated with it in his essay "A Brief History of Hackerdom" (not surprisingly he is also the compiler of *The New Hacker's Dictionary*). Recasting "hackerdom" in a more positive light may be a heroic undertaking in itself, but considering the Herculean efforts and perfectionist motivations of Raymond and his fellow Open Source developers, that light is going to shine bright. - -Ryan Kuykendall, .com