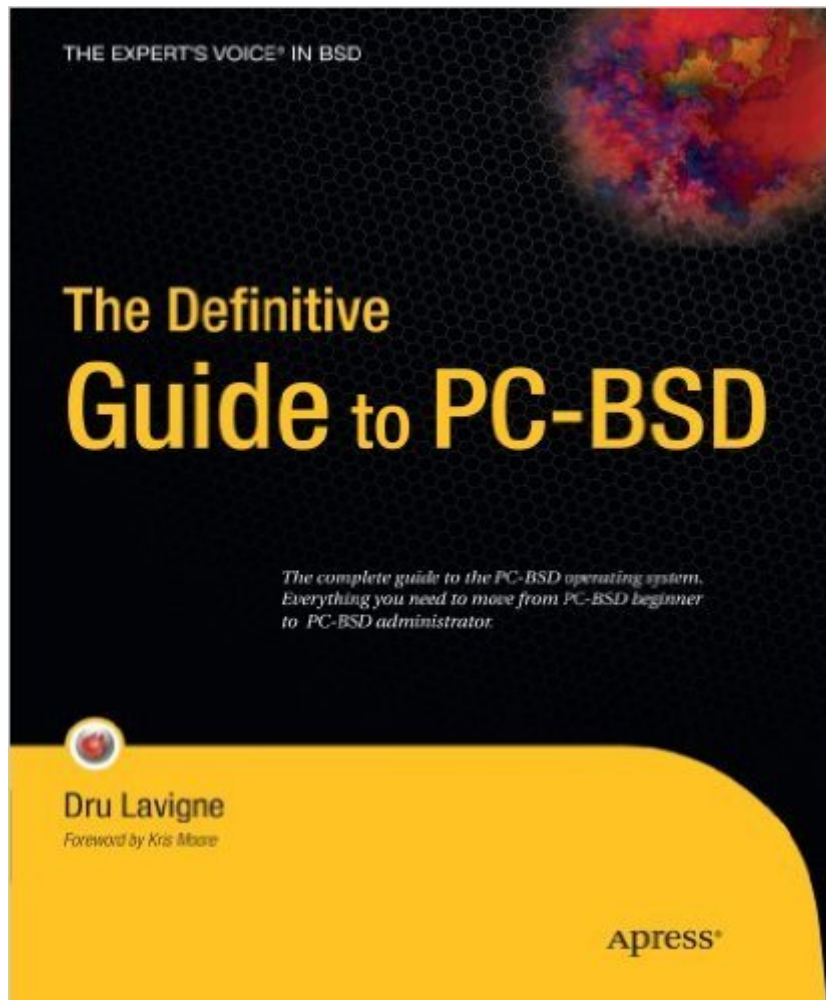


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The Definitive Guide To PC-BSD



Synopsis

This book is the ultimate reference for both beginners and power users to PC-BSD, the free, easy-to-use operating system based on FreeBSD. Existing power users will learn how to look under the hood and contribute to the global PC-BSD community. PC-BSD is turning into a hassle-free alternative to Linux on the desktop. Enjoy secure, virus-free computing. Quickly become a power user. What you'll learn: How to completely customize your desktop to suit your personality and quickly access your favorite applications. How to find and install quality, no-cost software. How to keep your system secure, virus-free, and up to date. How to perform common tasks such as playing music and video, sharing files, and gaming. How to integrate the PC-BSD desktop into your network. How to become part of the PC-BSD community. Who this book is for: You don't have to be a Unix user to enjoy the PC-BSD operating system. Even if you're fairly new to computers, this book will quickly get you started using and enjoying PC-BSD. Existing power users will discover new usage tricks and learn how to advance their PC-BSD skills.

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Upgrade: after playing with, enhancing and expanding my new PC-BSD 9.0 system and delving repeatedly back into the Guide to PC-BSD, I have to admit it is more definitive than I initially claimed, it is in fact more helpful than many of my user level Linux references. I recommend this reference.~~PC-BSD is a nice alternative to Linux, offering many of the same features and applications, and adheres to the same philosophy of Open Software (free). But it seems not as well established as Linux nor offers the the variety of distributions as the many mainstream Linux distros. Nonetheless, it's a rock-solid system, and the basis for some very useful offshoots in network and security applications. Consequently, user level documentation is not as widespread or diverse. This text will get you up and running, and serve as a desktop reference, for PC-BSD, a graphical (GUI) desktop system. This book describes the KDE desktop manager (PC-BSD supports Gnome and others, not described), and describes BSD equivalents for package management, mail clients, browsers, and all those applications familiar in MS Windows and Linux. This text is not intended to document the more technical aspects such as BSD programming, server installations, kernel development and the like (even though the distribution install disk offers many of these capabilities). This text is nicely written and presented in the usual manner (overview, install, customizing,...., tuning), providing a general and useful description of what you need to make PC-BSD run and make you happy. I did not find it to be definitive. I did find it to be on the pricey side for what it offers, as I find most of the other BSD references to be; I have no clue why, maybe I shop the wrong sites.

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