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Posted by [Dedric Terry](#) on Wed, 28 Nov 2007 23:10:07 GMT

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It's a micro/mach kernel vs. monolithic kernel issue. It's never going to change. In theory you get a stability bump, and there are some systems with staggering stability records. The effin FILE SYSTEM can be restarted without a reboot with a true microkernel. But you pay a penalty with low latency applications and some file system issues.

My guess is GNU/Linux could do a little better than XP if the software were really done right. But probably less than the penalty paid with a microkernel. A couple of percent, tops.

Vista is the worst of both worlds! Monolithic kernel panics with so much DRM and poorly implemented security that you get the instability of a monolithic kernel with the performance hit of micro/mach! Leave it to Redmond to manage that.

It's XP for audio and Debian for everything else in my world.

TCB

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