

# Unix and Open Source Programmers

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This is a list of open-source/unix/linux coders. The list is very subjective and incomplete. The book is not designed to give detail about the personal lives of these programmers but list their achievements and their educational background. This book may develop more as a “data file” rather than a narrative “book”. Possible sections would be; quotes, software used, university, ...

### *Unix Founders*

Section 1

Ken Thompson work: utf8, b, unix, plan 9, go, regular expression syntax uses: sam org: bell labs, entrisphere, google  
Dennis Ritchie work: c, unix uses: acme,  
Brian Kernighan work: awk, books, troff, uses: sam  
Doug McIlroy manager of the unix process, invented pipes.  
Rob Pike work: sam, acme, go, utf8, vismon org: bell labs, google  
Al Aho work: awk  
Bjarne Stroustrup work: c++, books uses: unix, sam  
books: programming pearls, jon bently

Section 2

### *Old Coders*

Bill Joy work: vi, sun microsystems, berkeley unix, (bsd) joined, founded sun 1982

[http://dir.salon.com/tech/fsp/2000/05/16/chapter\\_2\\_part\\_one/index.html](http://dir.salon.com/tech/fsp/2000/05/16/chapter_2_part_one/index.html)  
an article with information about bill joy

Torvalds work: linux uses: alpine, micro-emacs  
James Gosling work: java, emacs uses: netbeans  
Tridgell reverse engineerer of proprietary protocols and formats worked on rsync, sambo  
Bram Moolenaar The creator of vim  
Donald Knuth work: tex, books, web, cweb, literate programming metafont.

Section 3

### *Others*

Henry Spencer work: regular expressions library  
Mark Nudelman work: maintainer of the 'less' pager (1984 - 2008)  
Brian Fox, Free Software Foundation bfox at gnu.org bash history, gnu  
Chet Ramey, Case Western Reserve University bash history, gnu  
John MacFarlane (jgm at berkeley dot edu) created pandoc a markdown parser etc  
John Gruber work: 'markdown' <http://daringfireball.net>, writing  
Michel Fortin PHP port of 'markdown' <http://michelf.com>  
Jim Meyering and Paul Eggert gnu fsf coders

Section 4

### *Latex*

Dr. Uwe Kern (xcolor at ukern dot de) created the xcolor package