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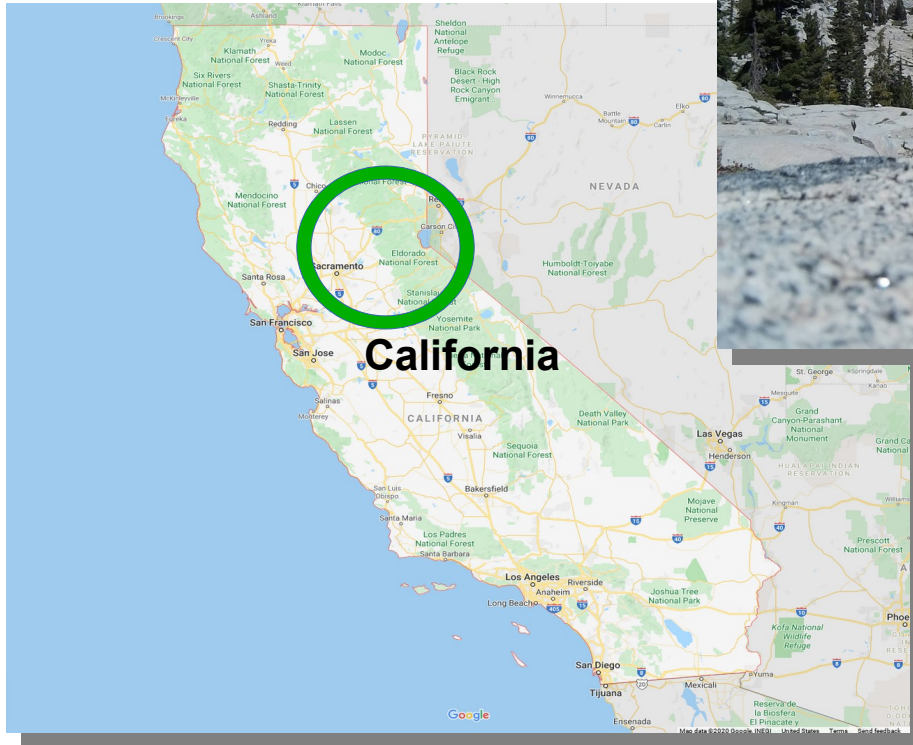
# SLES ON HPE

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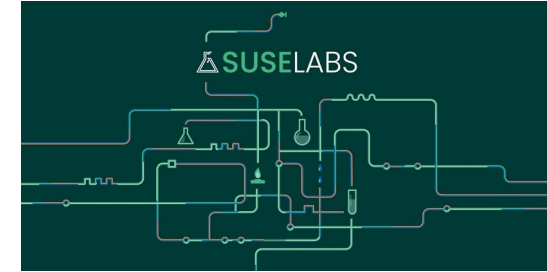


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# Let's talk about

- **SUSE+HPE Partnership**
- **New HPE ProLiant Gen11 servers**
- **HPE drivers/software/firmware**
- **Hardware management**
- **SUSE Adaptable Linux Platform & HPE**
- **Community, collaboration**



# Partnership



Technical reference forums  
Shared engineering resources  
Solid Driver Program  
Share product road maps  
Full integration testing before product launch  
SUSE Yes certification  
OEM Reseller agreement  
Buy entitlements directly from HPE  
First and Second Level support by HPE

Entitlement/support purchase obligatory



Community engagement  
Upstream commits  
Some sanity testing

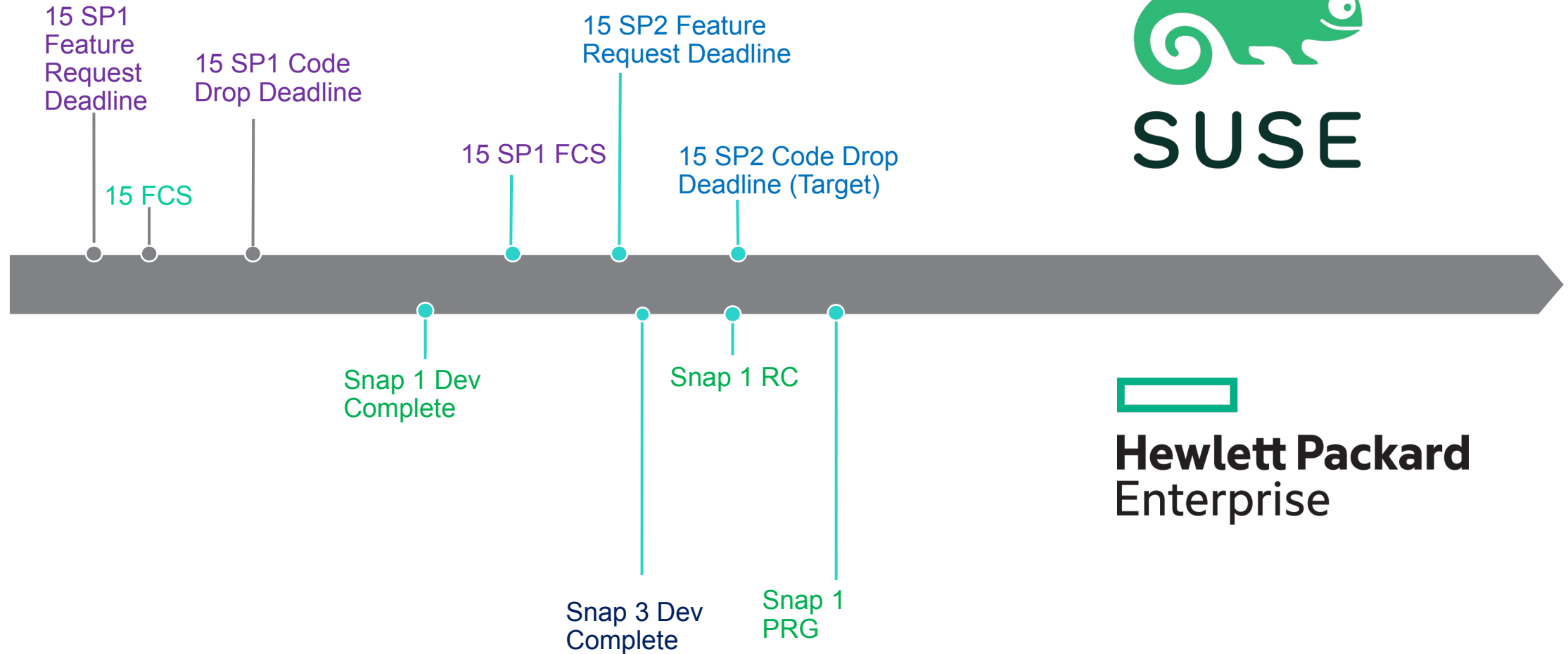
No certification nor support



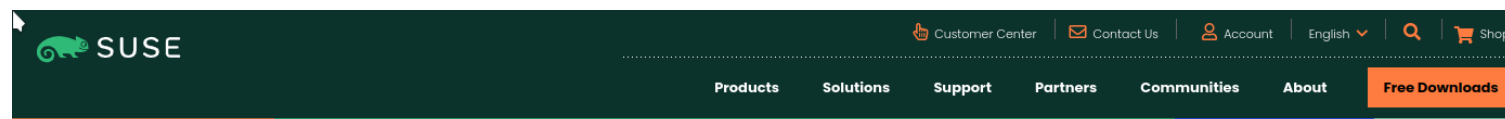
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# HPE / SLES release cadence example



# SUSE Yes Certification



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724  
HPE Servers  
Yes Certified



Bulletin	Company	Product	Category	OS	Date
<a href="#">152035</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Synergy 480 Gen11 Compute Module (Xeon 8480+, 2.0Ghz, 56c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 with KVM Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-04-17
<a href="#">152034</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Synergy 480 Gen11 Compute Module (Xeon 8480+, 2.0Ghz, 56c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-04-17
<a href="#">152004</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Alletra 4110 (Xeon Platinum 8468, 2.1 GHz, 48c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 with KVM Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-31
<a href="#">152003</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Alletra 4110 (Xeon Platinum 8468, 2.1 GHz, 48c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-31
<a href="#">152000</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Alletra 4120 (Xeon Platinum 8468, 2.1 GHz, 48c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 with KVM Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-30
<a href="#">151999</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Alletra 4120 (Xeon Platinum 8468, 2.1 GHz, 48c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-30
<a href="#">151984</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant DL380a Gen11 (Xeon 8480+, 2.0Ghz, 56c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 with KVM Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-17
<a href="#">151983</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant DL380a Gen11 (Xeon 8480+, 2.0Ghz, 56c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-17
<a href="#">151982</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant DL320 Gen11 (Xeon Gold 6454S, 2.2Ghz, 32c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 with KVM Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-10
<a href="#">151981</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Alletra 4120 (Xeon Platinum 8468, 2.1 GHz, 48c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-10
<a href="#">151933</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	HPE Cray XD220v Xeon 8480+ 2.0GHz 56 Core Processor (XD2000)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 with KVM Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-07
<a href="#">151932</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	HPE Cray XD220v Xeon 8480+ 2.0GHz 56 Core Processor (XD2000)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-07
<a href="#">151978</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant DL365 Gen11 (EPYC 9654P - 2.4Ghz, 96c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-07
<a href="#">151977</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant DL345 Gen11 (EPYC 9654P - 2.4Ghz, 96c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-07
<a href="#">151973</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant DL385 Gen11 (EPYC 9654P - 2.4Ghz, 96c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-02
<a href="#">151972</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant DL325 Gen11 (EPYC 9654P - 2.4Ghz, 96c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-03-02
<a href="#">151969</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant ML350 Gen11 (Xeon 8480+, 2.0Ghz, 56c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 with KVM Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-02-28
<a href="#">151968</a>	Hewlett Packard Enterprise	ProLiant DL360 Gen11 (Xeon 8480+, 2.0Ghz, 56c)	Network Server	SUSE* Linux Enterprise Server 15 for AMD64 & Intel64 with KVM Service Pack 4 for SUSE* SLES 15	2023-02-28

New!

# HPE ProLiant RL300

**Ampere UltraMax CPU**

Arm Architecture (**aarch64**)

128 cores, 180 watts, constant clock

First Gen11 Server

ILO6 or OpenBMC management

HPE is first tier1 vendor

Simplified options, Mellanox, NVME, m.2

**Certifying on SLES15-SP4**



New!

# HPE ProLiant Gen11 Servers

## What's new (DL380/DL385)

4th Generation **Intel®** Xeon® 60 cores and 16 DIMMs for DDR5 4800 MHz.

4th Generation **AMD** EPYC™/Genoa, 96 cores 24 DIMMs for DDR5 4800 MT/s.

8 TB total DDR5 memory with 16 DIMM channels per processor

\d\d5 == AMD

\d\d0 == Intel

PCIe Gen5

New HPE Integrated Lights-Out 6 (iLO 6) BMC, silicon root of trust

Hot-pluggable, high-availability RAID M.2 boot options.

Up to 8 single wide (SW) or 3 double wide (DW) GPUs

Power supply t800W, 1000W, or 1600W Dual hot-plug redundant 1+1 Power Supplies

Expansion Slots Up to 8 PCIe Gen5, and 2 OCP 3.0

Network Controller 1 Gb, 10 Gb, 10/25 Gb, 100 Gb, or 200 Gb,

Storage HPE SR932i-p HPE MR216i-o HPE MR416i-o HPE MR216i-p HPE MR416i-p HPE MR408i-o,

DL360/365/320/325



DL380/385/345

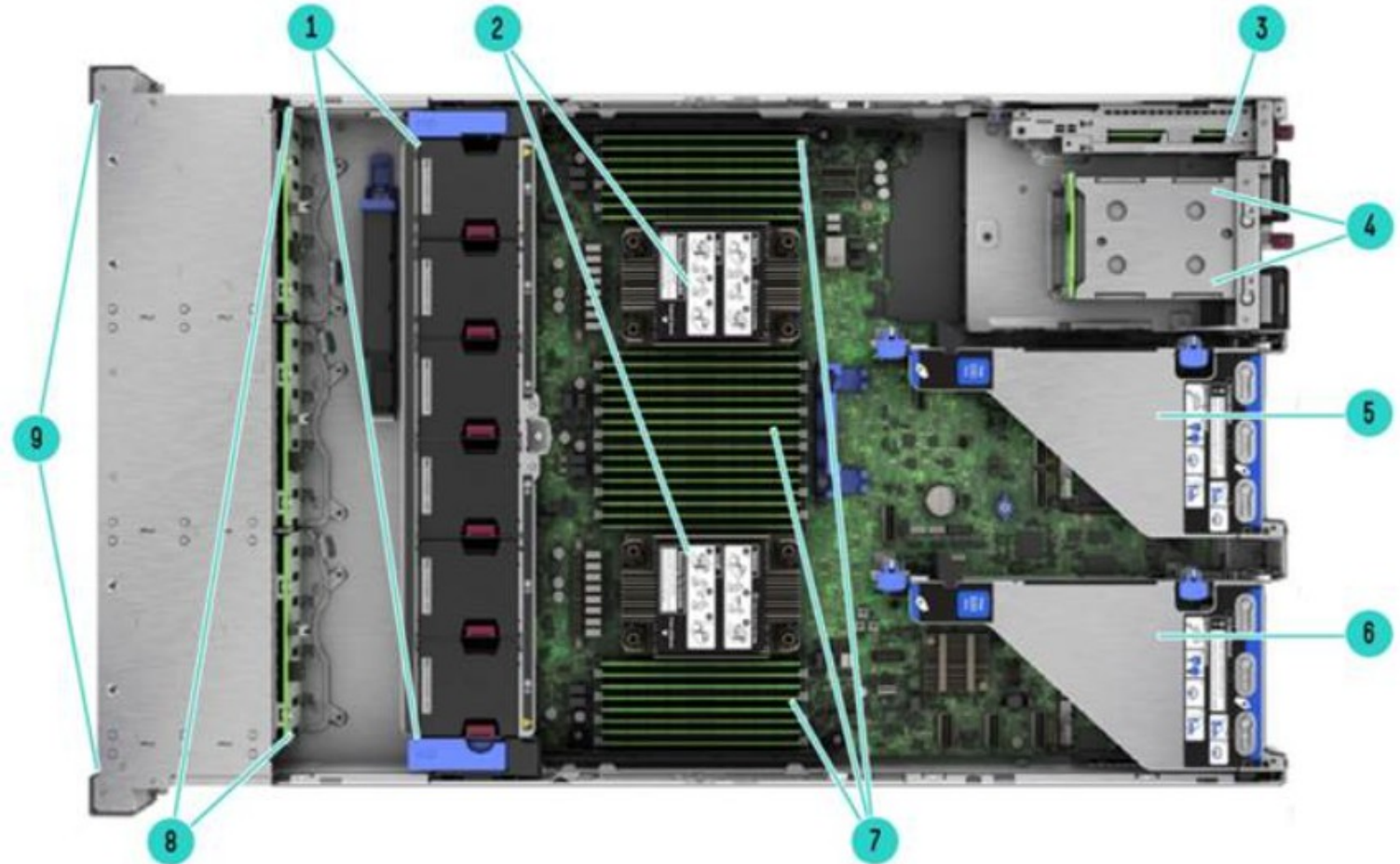


ML350





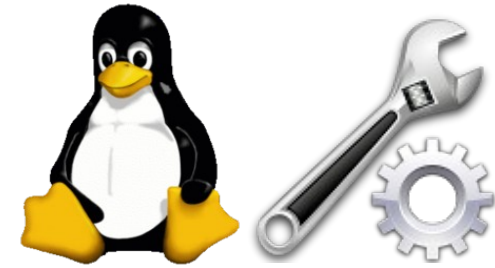
# HPE ProLiant DL380 Gen11



Internal View 8SFF chassis

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| 1. Hot Plug Fans <sup>1</sup>                             | 6. Primary Riser   |
| 2. Processors, heatsinks showing                          | 7. DDR5 DIMM slots, shown fully populated in 32 slots <sup>2</sup> |
| 3. Optional NS204i-u Boot Device                          | 8. Drive Backplanes  |
| 4. Hot Plug redundant HPE Flexible Slot Power Supplies    | 9. Drive Cages   |
| 5. Secondary Riser (Optional) (Requires second processor) |  |

# Service Pack for ProLiant



## Drivers



## Firmware



## Management Software

- Enable SLES on ProLiant
- kmp-packaged driver rpms as needed
- Bootable driver kit
- Solid driver program
- rpm and fwpkg packaged firmware
- ILO/BMC hardware integration
- Hardware management

# HPE Linux Enablement Software



- **amsd** reports OS information back to ILO/bmc, snmp
- **ssaccli** smart array command line interface
- **storcli** broadcom megaraid command line interface
- **hponcfg** configure ILO card from OS (**hponcfg -f myilo.cfg**)
- **sum** Smart Update Manager
- **ilorest** Configure ILO/BMC via command line (Redfish® api)
- **mellanox** OFED/VPI drivers
- **intel\_opa** Intel omnipath fabric software suite
- **IP** Intelligent Provisioning (sles in firmware, 1GB rom)
- **sglx** Service Guard for Linux, clustering
- **stk** Scripting toolkit, installation/configuration
- **foundation** SGI utilities, MPI, acellerate, dmfsuite

# http://downloads.linux.hpe.com

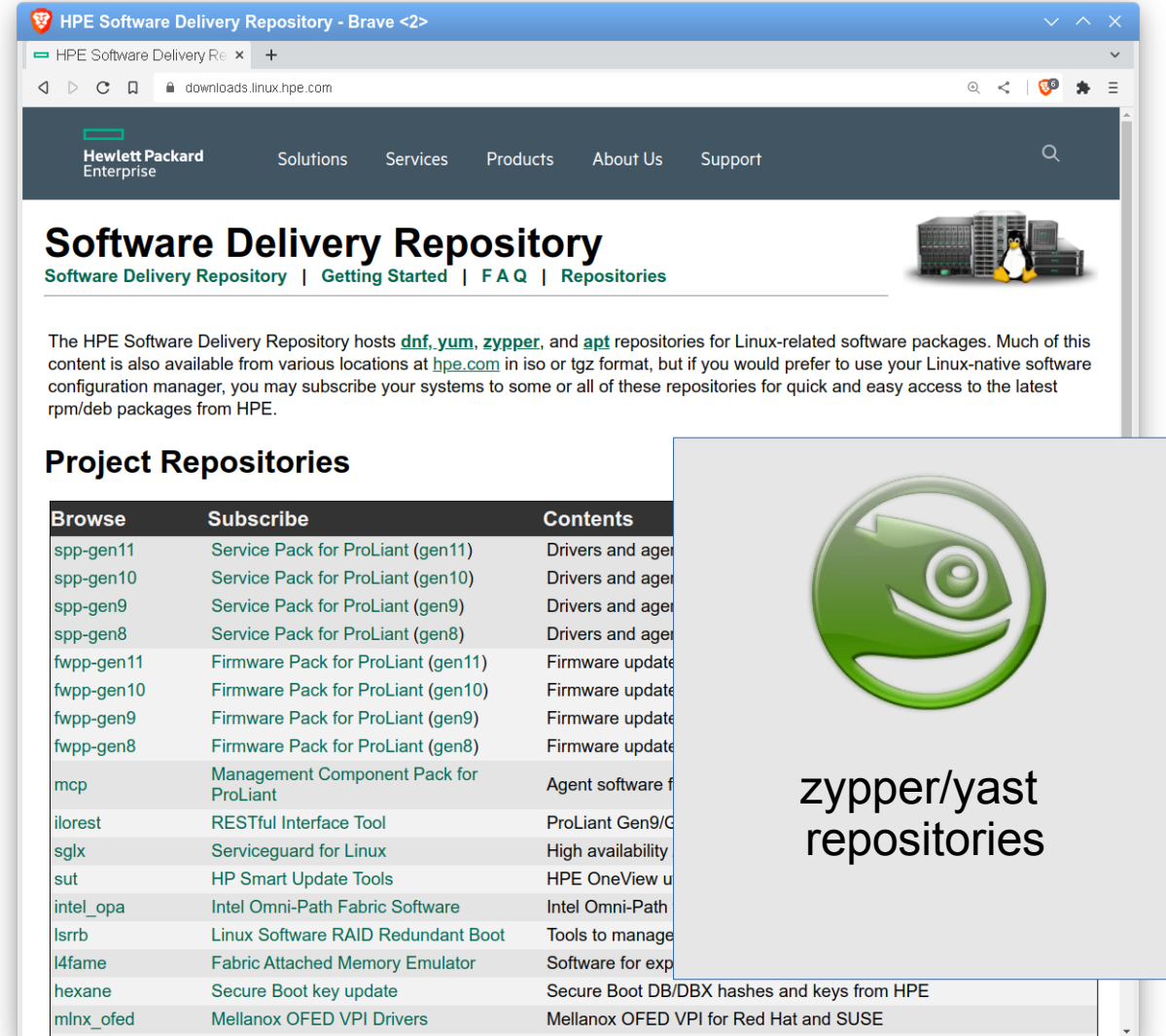
The days of burning ISO media are more or less over for the Linux community

Subscribe to one or more HPE repositories

Use built-in Linux software configuration manager to acquire/install all packages

zypper, chef, puppet, ansible

```
# zypper install be2net-kmp-default
```




**Software Delivery Repository**  
Software Delivery Repository | Getting Started | FAQ | Repositories

The HPE Software Delivery Repository hosts [dnf](#), [yum](#), [zypper](#), and [apt](#) repositories for Linux-related software packages. Much of this content is also available from various locations at [hpe.com](#) in iso or tgz format, but if you would prefer to use your Linux-native software configuration manager, you may subscribe your systems to some or all of these repositories for quick and easy access to the latest rpm/deb packages from HPE.

### Project Repositories

Browse	Subscribe	Contents
<a href="#">spp-gen11</a>	Service Pack for ProLiant (gen11)	Drivers and agent
<a href="#">spp-gen10</a>	Service Pack for ProLiant (gen10)	Drivers and agent
<a href="#">spp-gen9</a>	Service Pack for ProLiant (gen9)	Drivers and agent
<a href="#">spp-gen8</a>	Service Pack for ProLiant (gen8)	Drivers and agent
<a href="#">fwpp-gen11</a>	Firmware Pack for ProLiant (gen11)	Firmware updates
<a href="#">fwpp-gen10</a>	Firmware Pack for ProLiant (gen10)	Firmware updates
<a href="#">fwpp-gen9</a>	Firmware Pack for ProLiant (gen9)	Firmware updates
<a href="#">fwpp-gen8</a>	Firmware Pack for ProLiant (gen8)	Firmware updates
<a href="#">mcp</a>	Management Component Pack for ProLiant	Agent software for
<a href="#">ilorest</a>	RESTful Interface Tool	ProLiant Gen9/Gen10
<a href="#">sglx</a>	Serviceguard for Linux	High availability
<a href="#">sut</a>	HP Smart Update Tools	HPE OneView update
<a href="#">intel_opa</a>	Intel Omni-Path Fabric Software	Intel Omni-Path
<a href="#">lsrrb</a>	Linux Software RAID Redundant Boot	Tools to manage
<a href="#">l4fame</a>	Fabric Attached Memory Emulator	Software for exp
<a href="#">hexane</a>	Secure Boot key update	Secure Boot DB/DBX hashes and keys from HPE
<a href="#">mlnx_ofed</a>	Mellanox OFED VPI Drivers	Mellanox OFED VPI for Red Hat and SUSE



zypper/yast  
repositories

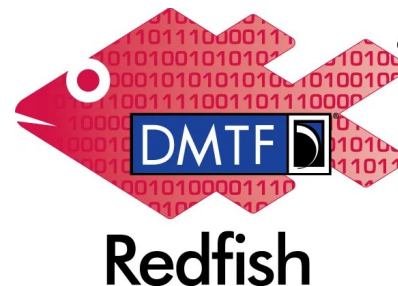


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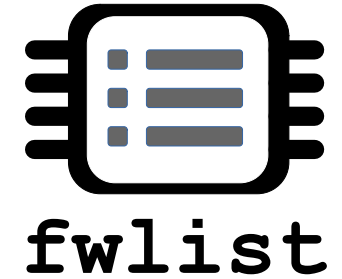
# Leveraging Redfish® & iLO to manage firmware

## Opening management API's to devops community

- Redfish/EFI flashes firmware
- No OS-native flashers required
- Any redfish-aware code can flash firmware
- Enable .fwpkg files with Ansible, Chef, ALP, podman, etc
- Firmware available in searchable online repositories [downloads.linux.hpe.com](https://downloads.linux.hpe.com)



# List flashable firmware via RedFish



```
ilorest \
    /redfish/v1/UpdateService/FirmwareInventory/
```

## iLO 5

2.72 Sep 04 2022

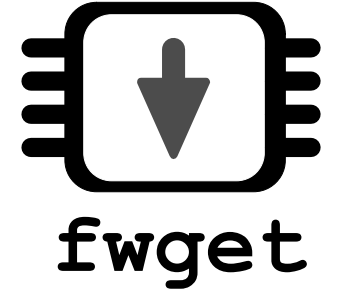
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## System ROM

U30 v2.10 (05/21/2019)

00000000-0000-0000-0000-0000000000249  
00000000-0000-0000-0000-0000001553330

# Search for firmware repositories with fwget



```
# fwget search dl380
```

```
U30-2.04_2019_04_18.fwpkg      HPE ProLiant DL380 Gen10 (U30) Servers firmware
P89-2.72_2019_03_25.fwpkg      HPE ProLiant DL380 Gen9/DL360 Gen9 (P89) Servers
```

```
# fwget download U30-2.04_2019_04_18.fwpkg
```

Downloading:

```
firmware-system-p89-2.72_2019_03_25-1.1.i386.fwpkg
```

```
"U63_1.22_01_18_2023.fwpkg": {
  "date": "20230218",
  "description": "HPE ProLiant DL380 Gen11 (U63) Servers",
  "deviceclass": "aa148d2e-6e09-453e-bc6f-63baa5f5ccc4",
  "minimum_active_version": "null",
  "reboot_required": "yes",
  "target": "00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000249",
  "version": "1.22_01-18-2023"
},
```

<https://downloads.linux.hpe.com/SDR/project/fwpp-gen11/fwget.html>

*json firmware online repository index*

# Flash firmware with ilorest/RedFish



```
# ilorest flashfwpkg P89-2.72_2019_03_25.fwpkg
```

```
Uploading firmware: P89_1.46_10_02_2018.signed.flash
```

```
[200] The operation completed successfully.
```

```
Component U32_1.46_10_02_2018.signed.flash uploaded successfully
```

```
Waiting for iLO UpdateService to finish processing the component
```

```
0 hour(s) 1 minute(s) 28 second(s)
```

```
Firmware has successfully been flashed and a reboot is required.
```

<https://downloads.linux.hpe.com/SDR/project/ilorest/>



# Pushing drivers upstream

HW partners find it difficult to submit pull requests to upstream kernel

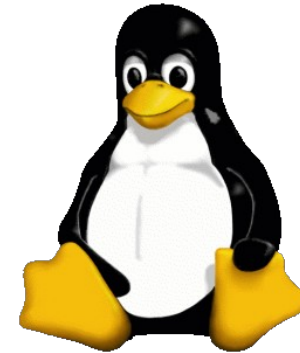
Some full-featured drivers are out-of-distro only

*“this is how Microsoft does it”*

Restricted ioctl's

Missing hardware off-loading features

Missing firmware-update features



Each kernel subsystem maintainer has different standards for commits

We owe it to ourselves to make this easy so SUSE/HPE doesn't have to side-load drivers

## Submitting patches: the essential guide to getting your code into the kernel

- 0) Obtain a current source tree
  - 1) `diff -up`
  - 2) Describe your changes
  - 3) Separate your changes
  - 4) Style-check your changes
  - 5) Select the recipients for your patch
  - 6) No MIME, no links, no compression, no attachments. Just plain text
  - 7) E-mail size
  - 8) Respond to review comments
  - 9) Don't get discouraged - or impatient
  - 10) Include PATCH in the subject
  - 11) Sign your work - the Developer's Certificate of Origin
  - 12) When to use Acked-by:, Cc:, and Co-Developed-by:
  - 13) Using Reported-by:, Tested-by:, Reviewed-by:, Suggested-by: and Fixes:
  - 14) The canonical patch format
  - 15) Explicit In-Reply-To headers
  - 16) Sending `git pull` requests
- References

# SUSE Adaptable Linux Platform (ALP) / Micro



- Containerized workloads
- Immutable filesystem
- Transactional OS updates

Industry standard hardware management container?  
Privileged?  
Access to all driver ioctls?

## How do we...

- Install drivers? (kmp)
- Flash firmware? (fwpkg)
- Install hardware management software? (amsd)
- Configure arrays? (ssacli)
- Communicate with iLO/BMC? (hpilo.ko)
- Driver disc? boot essential drivers?



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# SUSE + HPE Futures



Leverage SLES in management rom?

- Currently used for raid config, initial OS installation

Collaborate on features

Mutual customer projects

Community

- *proliantlinux.org*?



# QUESTIONS?





# THANK YOU

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<https://people.linux.hpe.com/~craiger/suselabs2023/slesonhpe.pdf>

