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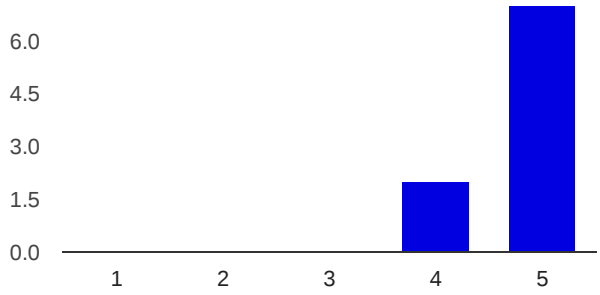
Summary

How did the course meet your learning objectives?



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Fully met: 5	**7**	77.8%

Comments and suggestions

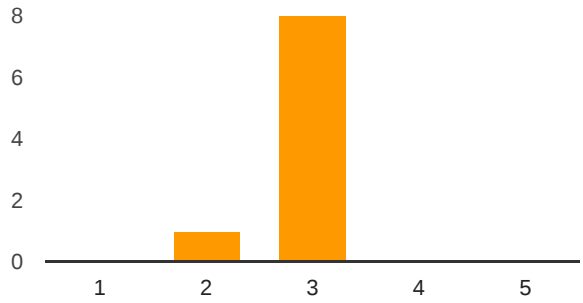
This training met my expectations very well. I have worked in this field for a long time and I have learnt a lot this week.

Even though I had quite a bit of background in kernel development with our company, the course was still very useful. It explained things in a structured way that made a lot of things clearer. Also, the sections on debugging and memory management were very useful.

Large amount of things learnt.

Already knew some of what was covered, but was surprised with what I still learnt.

How was the duration of the course?

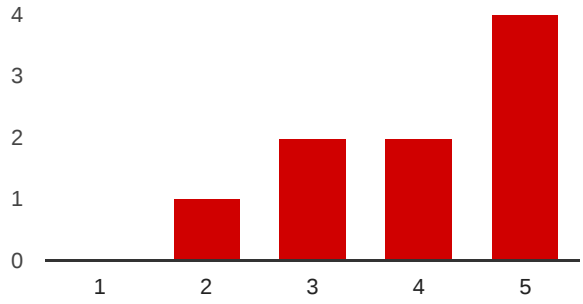


Comments and suggestions

Good length, 4 days was definitely enough time to complete the course.

Not too dense but the 4 or 5 days could be completely filled for experienced companies and teams.

How useful was the lecture document?



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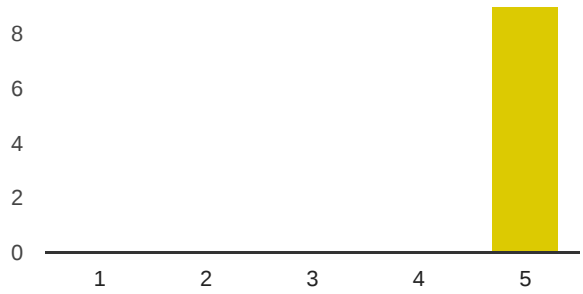
	4	**2**	22.2%
Very useful:	5	**4**	44.4%

Comments and suggestions

Electronic copies of the slides would of been sufficient - was no need to print all the slides off.

If a guidebook was available that was the content of the sides but extended to cover the points talked about. This would be great as a future reference. Many important points can be lost when squished into a power point like format.

How knowledgeable was the instructor?

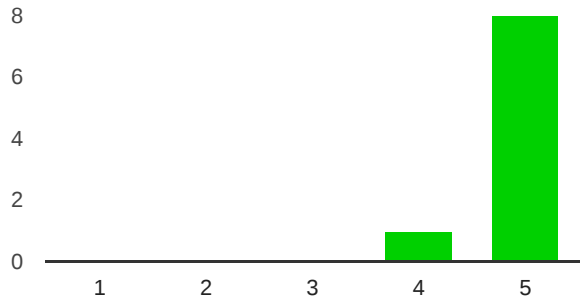


More than enough: 5	**9**	100%

Comments and suggestions

Thomas was very knowledgeable about all topics talked about.

How much value did the instructor add to lecture materials?



Not much added value: 1	**0**	0%
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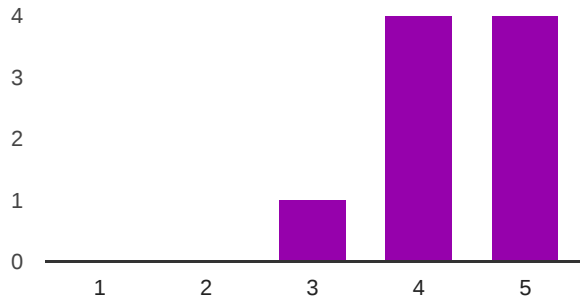
A lot of added value: 5	**8**	88.9%

Suggestions and comments

Listened more than read the written details.

Was the instructor helpful with practical labs?



Comments and suggestions

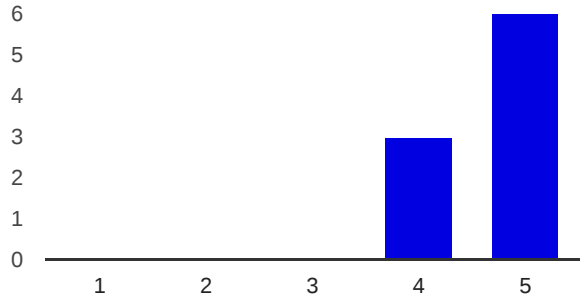
Didn't need a lot of help with the labs. He was able to answer any questions asked.

Not much help was needed, lab manual was comprehensive

Can be more active asking people how they are doing, but also don't spend the whole time with one group.

Mostly didn't need extra help beyond what was already provided.

How useful were the training labs?



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	4	**3**	33.3%
Very useful:	5	**6**	66.7%

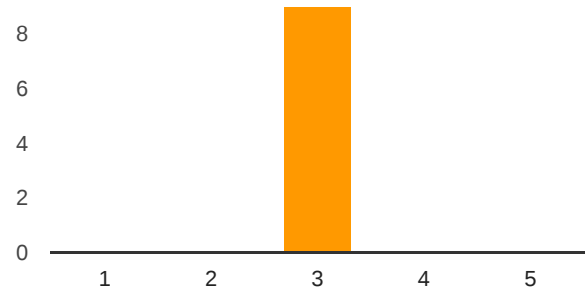
Comments and suggestions

The labs are really the key to making this course really useful.

The labs were useful, but as I had some existing experience with driver development, most things were quite familiar.

Without the labs, would have forgotten some of this too quickly.

How difficult were the training labs?



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3	**9**	100%
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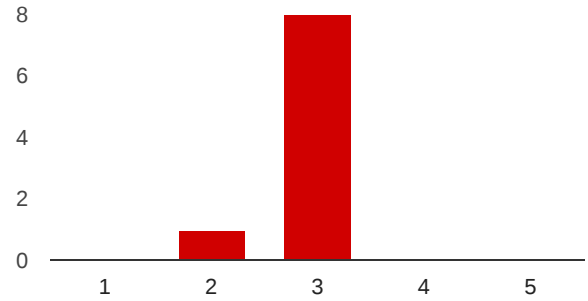
Too difficult: 5	**0**	0%

Comments and suggestions

A good mix of easier labs and some harder ones

Quite easy to finish but still challenging to work through during the lab.

Was enough time dedicated to practical labs?



Definitely not enough: 1	**0**	0%
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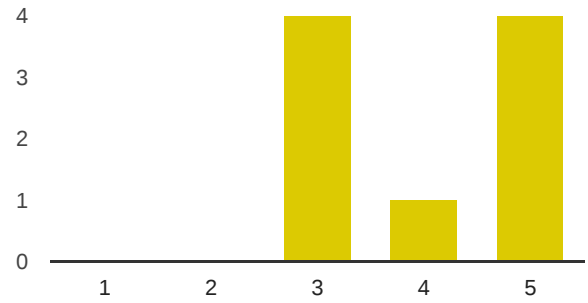
Definitely too much time for labs: 5	**0**	0%

Comments and suggestions

One or two we didn't finish in time

How do you rate training conditions (room size, equipment, environment)?



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Comments and suggestions

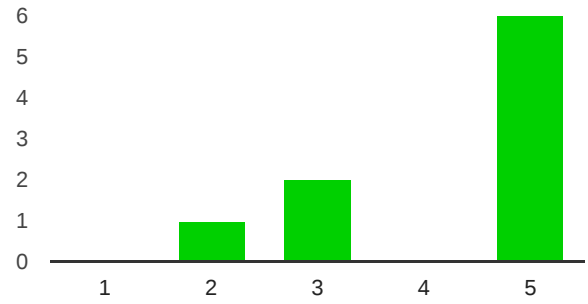
Feedback from the microphone - in house training at our company, so not much trainer could do about this.

Own company's room

company training room

Course was on-site, so room was provided by company.

How do you rate the training equipment (mainly computers)?



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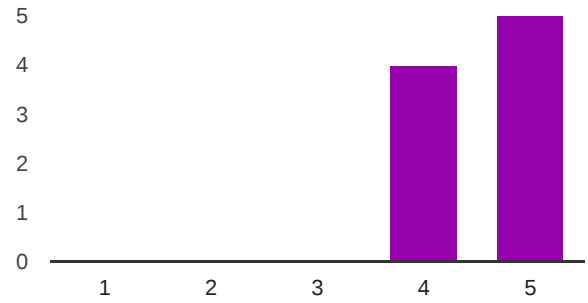
Comments and suggestions

Microphone difficulties.

company equipment Beagle bone was a good platform for embedded/ARM development.

Computer was a bit slow to compile kernel, but again this was provided by our own company.

How well was the course organized (program, registration, schedule...)?



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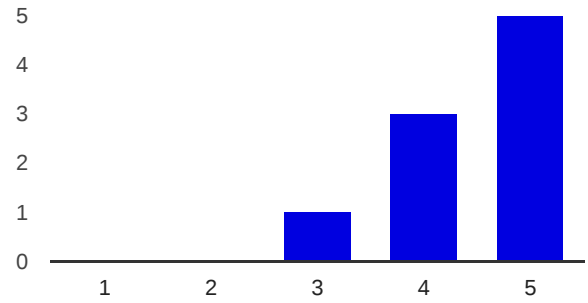
Very well: 5	**5**	55.6%

Comments and suggestions

How much did you learn?



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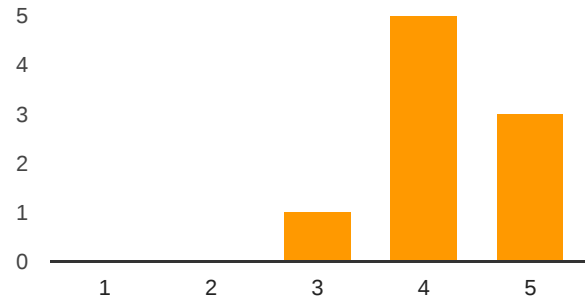
Comments and suggestions

How useful should this course be in your daily job?



	4	**5**	55.6%
Very useful.:	5	**3**	33.3%

Comments and suggestions

I probably don't do enough work in the kernel to apply this every day but when I do the lessons from this will be very useful.

What part(s) of the course did you like most?

Nunchuk and serial driver labs

Debugging, history of Linux, playing with the Nunchuk driver.

The labs because they are more or less directly applicable to our work or help to actively learn concepts. One more lab per day would be good.

Debugging, labs.

Kernel debugging.

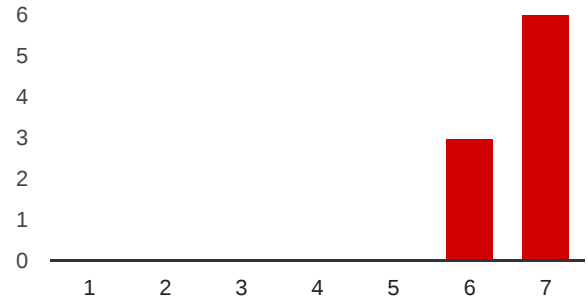
What part(s) of the course did you like least?

Locking.

The person who had to do the printouts had to put a lot of work in, and things like the lab solutions (source code) don't have to be on paper. Even other documents would probably work well as PDFs or websites.

Should be more humor to keep us alert, or more short breaks. To be fair, the course was crunched into 4 days rather than 5.

Overall rating



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Training materials were printed by the customer for this particular session. Unless there is a practical need for this, Free Electrons always brings the printed materials, so that there is no additional work on the customer side.

Very disappointing: 1	**0**	0%
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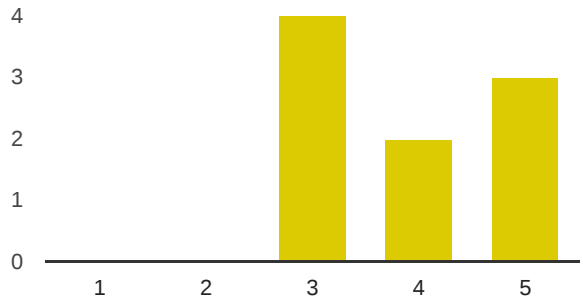
6	**3**	33.3%
Excellent: 7	**6**	66.7%

Comments and suggestions

Let the kernel debugging lab happens earlier. It's very likely that people working the labs can get Oops messages. It will help by understanding how to read them. More kernel debugging discussion. Kernel programming is a big and complicated topic. I'm sure debugging can really help. Topics like how to use ftrace and perf tools.

Further training needs?



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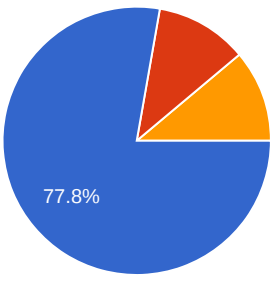
Yes, definitely: 5	**3**	33.3%

Comments

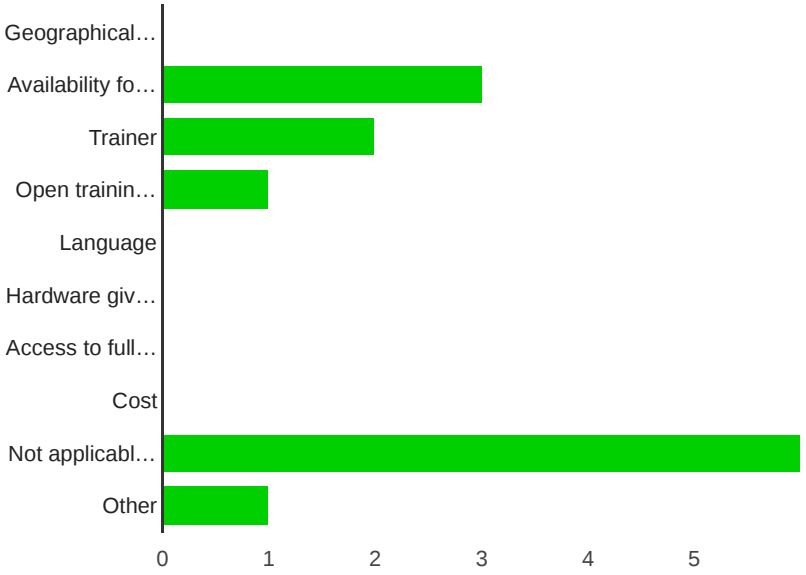
Depending on work and availability in NZ. There are probably many more embedded Linux topics.

How far do you come from?



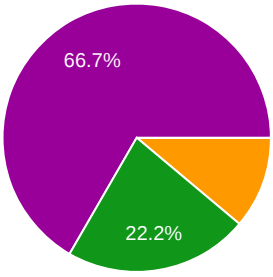
From less than 100 km / 60 miles	**7**	77.8%
From more than 100 km / 60 miles, same country	**1**	11.1%
From a foreign country	**1**	11.1%

What reasons prompted you to choose Free Electrons?



Geographical proximity (public sessions only)	**0**	0%
Availability for on-site sessions	**3**	33.3%
Trainer	**2**	22.2%
Open training materials that can be checked in advance	**1**	11.1%
Language	**0**	0%
Hardware giveaway (public sessions only)	**0**	0%
Access to full feedback from participants to previous sessions	**0**	0%
Cost	**0**	0%
Not applicable - My management made the decision	**6**	66.7%
Other	**1**	11.1%

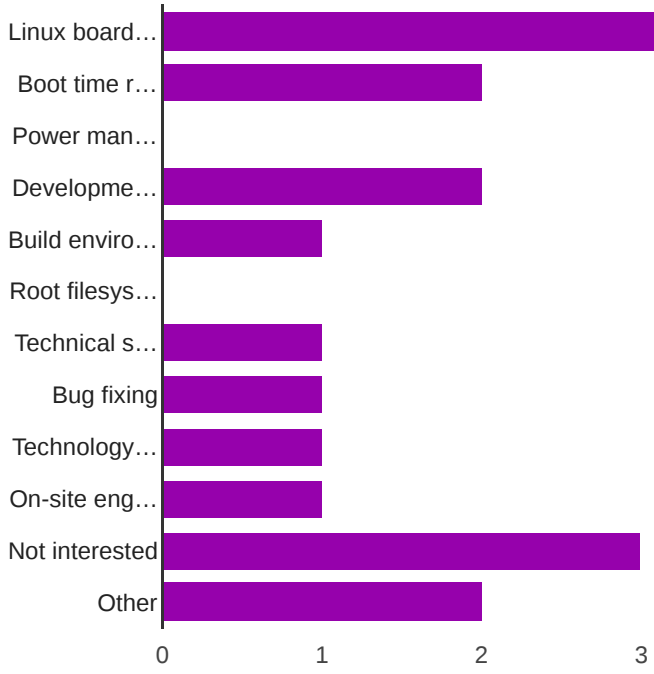
How did you first learn about Free Electrons?



Course recommended by previous participants	**0**	0%
Internet search engines	**0**	0%

Technical resources on the Free Electrons website	**1**	11.1%
Presentations in conferences	**2**	22.2%
Free Electrons chosen by my management	**6**	66.7%
Other	**0**	0%

Interested in other types of embedded Linux / Android engineering services?

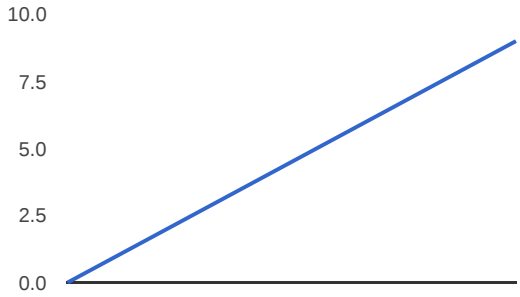


Linux board support package development	**4**	44.4%
Boot time reduction	**2**	22.2%
Power management	**0**	0%
Development of real-time systems	**2**	22.2%
Build environment support	**1**	11.1%
Root filesystem development	**0**	0%
Technical support	**1**	11.1%
Bug fixing	**1**	11.1%
Technology and architecture consulting	**1**	11.1%
On-site engineering	**1**	11.1%
Not interested	**3**	33.3%
Other	**2**	22.2%

Comments and expectations

It would be nice to have some quiz type of questions in between the sessions. May be related to topic. It may make the session more active

Number of daily responses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