Bootlin training course evaluation
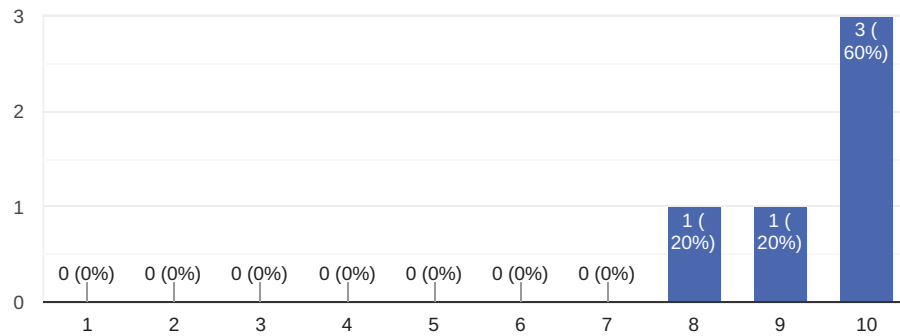
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Overall rating of the course

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Comments and suggestions

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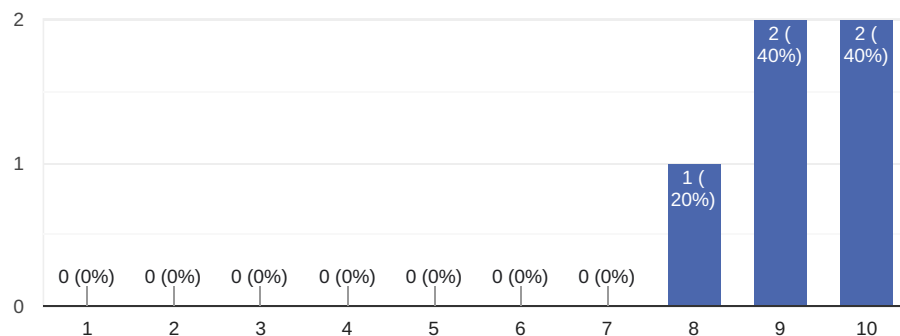This was a very complete and interesting course. I liked how it went in-depth into each topic.

The course is very complete and gives a great introduction on Linux kernel driver development. It goes over various aspects of the kernel, also giving a architectural approach which is essential before diving into pure code. I especially appreciated the effort put in the philosophy of kernel development (licensing, contributing, encouraging mainline contributions).

The course was an overall good introduction to driver development for linux.
It didn't match perfectly my needs but it will help a lot.

How useful were the lectures?

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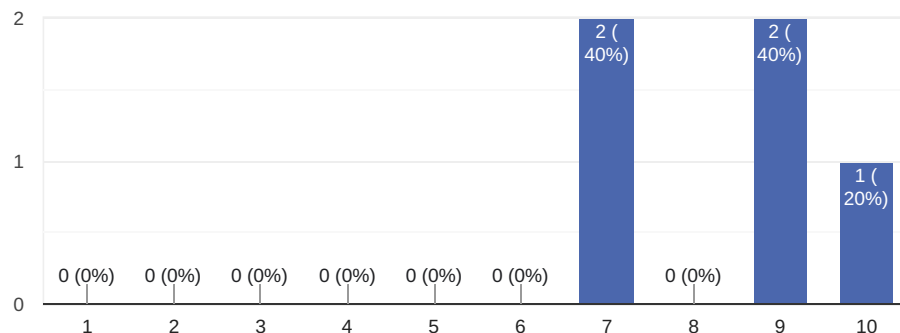Each lecture brought interesting information.

The lecturer was professional and covered the slides with a good pace. Questions, even going out of subject, could be raised without issues.

How useful were the practical demos?

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For various reasons, I couldn't do all of the labs. They seemed interesting, but maybe a bit too long for a course with so many topics to cover.

The demos are great to put the slides in application. It is nice to cover the different steps needed to develop a driver.
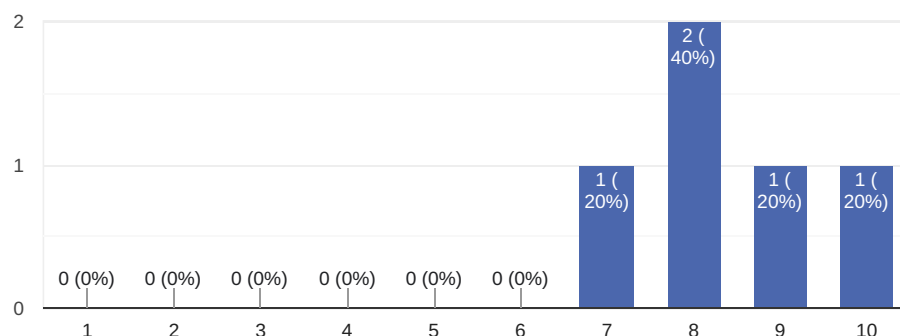The Jitsi stream was however a bit laggy on my side making things a bit hard to follow sometimes.

The trainer was going too fast and not taking much time even for those with the hardware trying to do the labs at home. However, he does know his subject and would answer every questions the trainees had

How would you rate the overall organization of the course?

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The trainer managed to always finish on time which was greatly appreciated.

It may be a little difficult to have the time to complete the labs before / during the course but the solutions are provided afterwards so it can always be done on your side.
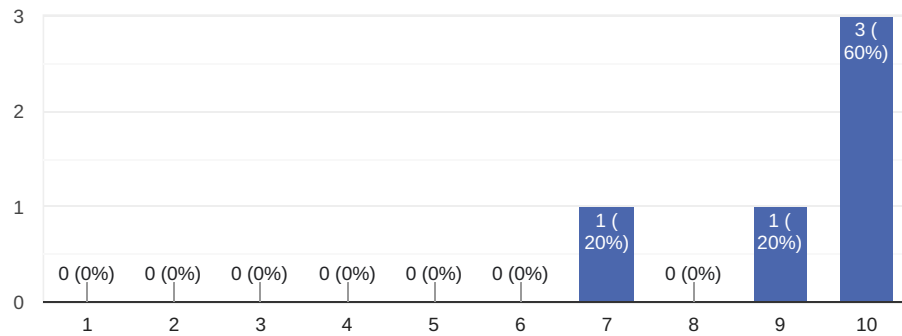
The training would be much better on site instead of virtual or maybe trying to do a hybrid system for those who cannot

How would you rate the trainer?

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Paul clearly knew what he was talking about and never dodged questions, even when they were complicated to answer.
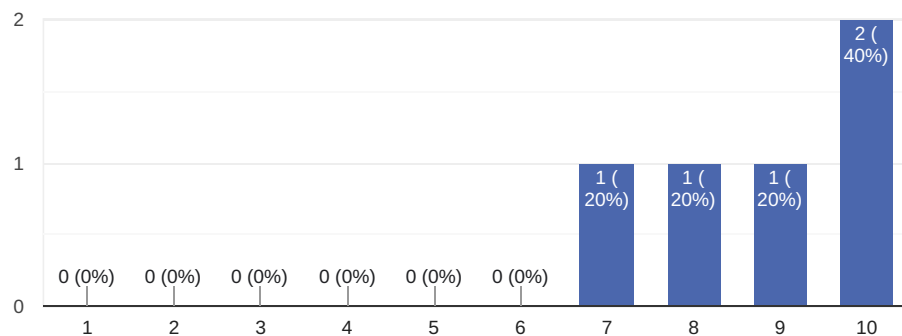
The trainer was friendly, accessible, and professional.

Great trainer who knows his subject but was going too fast during the training.

How did the course meet your learning objectives?

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I expected to learn more about the Linux kernel's internal workings, and that is what I got. I was a bit disappointed that I had to skip the last labs, but that was mostly due to my own organization.

Knowing some things about the kernel before, I did not have an understanding of the core mechanism of the kernel, which this course provided. Went above my expectations in terms of what I've learned.

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

3 responses

The part about interrupts was really interesting, since it touched on a fundamental subject of system operation.

The lab demos

Driver model.

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

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The part about device and driver models was a bit confusing at first, maybe that was partly due to the unclear terminology used in those topics.
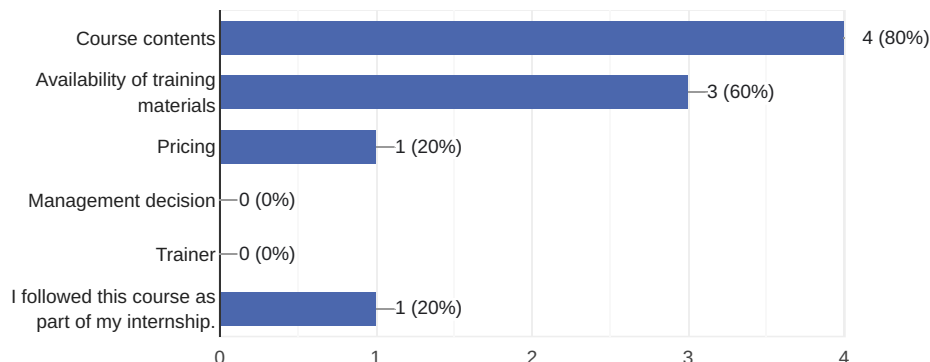
"Driver data structures and links" lecture. Maybe I was tired, but it all just sounded like a word salad after awhile and I didn't feel like I was following it very well at the time.

All the chapters seemed relevant.

What reasons prompted you to choose a Bootlin course?   Copy

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Comments

1 response

This was a great course, maybe I would've shortened the labs a bit in favor of the theoretical parts.

Further training needs?

1 response

Maybe a course covering the core subsystems of the kernel, such as memory or process management could be useful.

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