

# Clang/LLVM in FreeBSD

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# What is Clang/LLVM

- ▶ C/C++/ObjC compiler (even C++11)
- ▶ Production quality
- ▶ Developer friendly (inside and outside)
- ▶ BSD-like license



# What is Clang/LLVM

- ▶ Supports - X86, ARM, PowerPC, Mips, Sparc
- ▶ Advanced optimizations (LTO etc.)
- ▶ Drop-in replacement for GCC
- ▶ Integrated assembler (X86, ARM, Mips, PPC32)
- ▶ Actively developed (Apple, Google, Cray, Intel, Amd, Mips ...)



# User experience of clang

- ▶ Fast, 10%-30% faster compilation than gcc
- ▶ Performance slightly behind but depends on the app
- ▶ Friendly warnings and errors
- ▶ Correct (booting FreeBSD world/kernel)
- ▶ Advanced (library approach, integrated-as, JIT, libclang)
- ▶ Great community



# Status of Clang in FreeBSD

- ▶ Clang/LLVM 3.0 shipped in 9.0R
- ▶ Compiles everything (world and kernel) on amd64 and i386
- ▶ ARM needs newer ABI, has booting kernel
- ▶ Mips should be usable (untested)
- ▶ PowerPC almost there (booting kernel, static apps working)



# Clang/LLVM future

- ▶ Native linker (with LTO)
- ▶ Vectorization
- ▶ More architectures support
- ▶ More optimizations



# What happened over the last year

- ▶ Greedy register allocator (fixed boot2)
- ▶ Mips massively improved
- ▶ PPC32 improved
- ▶ libc++ ported



# What should happen next year

- ▶ Enable clang by default
- ▶ Make ports accept clang
- ▶ Get a linker
- ▶ Testing (by you!)





# Questions?

