So Samba 4.0 is out ... and what's next?

sambaXP 2013

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On December 11, 2012 ...

... around 6pm CET ...

... something
unexpected
happened! ...

Samba 4.0.0 was released!

How could that happen?

History (Part 1)



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- 2003-06-07: Samba 3.0.0 beta1
- ▶ 2003-08-13: First public commit of Samba 4 code (Tridge)
 - ▶ 773 files changed, 352638 insertions(+)
 - ▶ focus: Full protocol testing for SMB (there is no documentation yet)
 - ▶ focus: NTVFS rewrite of SMB server
 - focus: make SMB clusterable?
- 2003-08-16: Samba 3.0.0 rc1
- 2003-10-24: Samba 3.0.0 released
- ... code repositories diverge ...
- ▶ 2004-03-31: LDB is introduced into Samba4
- 2004-04-25: PIDL is introduced into Samba4
- 2006-01-31: Release of Samba4WINS based on Samba 4



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 - ▶ The Samba Team worked out AD replication (without documentation)
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- ▶ 2007-12-19: Samba Team receives documentation from Microsoft
- ▶ 2007-2008: S3 is made cluster aware with CTDB
- 2008-05-08: Franky-idea is born
- 2008-07-01: Samba 3.2.0 released
 - ► GPLv3+
 - including PIDL from S4
 - experimental cluster support
- 2008-09-14: Merged branch for Samba3 and Samba4
 - v3-devel:source/ → master:source3/
 - v4-0-test:source/ → master:source4/
 - common/merged build



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