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## Meeting Notes

The discussion consisted of each member giving a lightning talk about one of their favorite programs.

1. LibreOffice – The suite of office programs has evolved to provide most features needed. Writer, Calc and Present are you most often. Compatibility with MS Office and Google Docs is good. Some issues with cutting and pasting between apps. A beta LibreOffice program for Android has been announced and there may be a version compatible with Chromebooks.
2. Gdrive – A Dropbox like program that runs on Linux that allows local file synchronization with Gdrive. It works pretty well but requires setting up a cron task to ensure that it syncs.
3. Adobe Flash Plugin – It was suggested to avoid using flash plugin in your browser due to ongoing security issues with it. Many websites are converting to other technologies like HTML5 that offer a more secure browsing environment.
4. GNU Xaos – This is a fractal display program.
5. R-Project – This is a statistical computing program with many support tools that handles analysis of large datasets.
6. TWIT.TV – This is an online technology program and podcast that provides a wealth of technical information about computing. Leo LaPorte who is one of the stars recently announced that he was ditching Windows OS for Ubuntu. Also a number of the featured presentations are about Linux.
7. Fslint – Duplicate file finder utility.
8. Ubuntu Tweak – A nice utility with lots of features to help you fine tune your Ubuntu system.
9. Brackets – A HTML editor with lots of built in features and add on extensions.