

Beyond the Horizon

What's after Samba 3.0? (Or is the earth really flat?)

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Outline

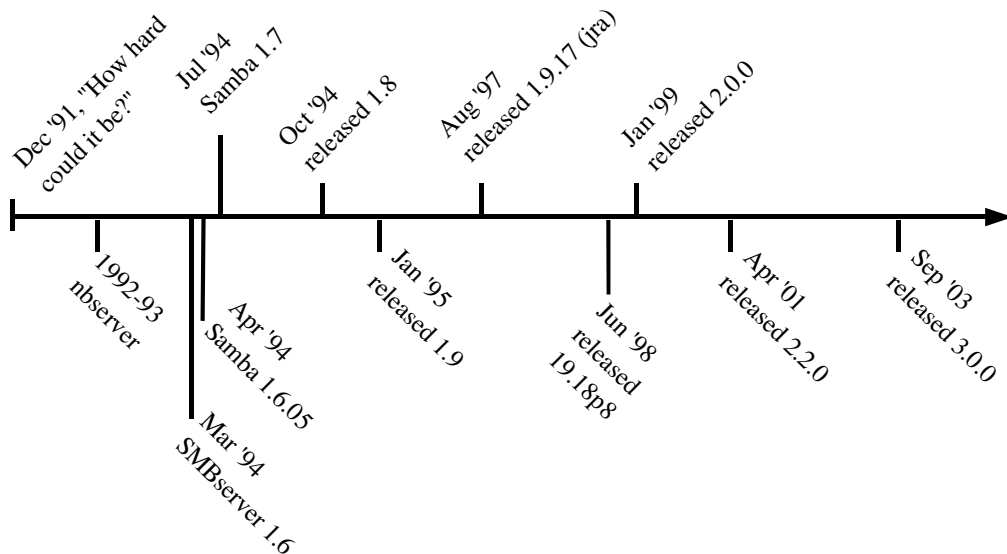
http://samba.org/~jerry/slides/sambaxp04_roadmap.pdf

- History 101
- Samba Development Process
- Samba 3.0
- Samba 3.1/3.2 (a.k.a. 3.5)
- Samba 4.0

Diary of an OSS Release Manager

- One year as release manager == 1 year of a dog's life
- Herding cats is easy compared to this :-)

Samba Timeline



How far we've come

```
$ cd nbserver-1.5.14      $ cd samba-3.0.2rc1/source
$ wc -l *. [ch]          $ wc -l configure.in */*. [ch]
  895 client.c           4345 configure.in
   81 includes.h        4324 param/loadparm.c
   27 local.h            ...
  641 nameserv.c        373693 total
2454 server.c
  299 smb.h
  244 sockspy.c
1300 util.c
   1 version.h
5942 total
```

Samba Family CVS Trees

CVS module on cvs.samba.org (historical)

samba

HEAD -- ► development tree for 3.1

SAMBA_2_2 -- ► development tree for 2.2.x

SAMBA_2_2_RELEASE -- ► snapshot of latest
2.2.x release

SAMBA_3_0 -- ► development tree for 3.0.x

SAMBA_3_0_RELEASE -- ► snapshot of latest
3.0.x release

samba4

HEAD -- ► development tree for 4.0

The Move to Subversion

- As of Apr 4 2004, Samba is maintained in a subversion repository (svn.samba.org)
 - SAMBA_3_0[_RELEASE]
 - SAMBA_4_0
 - trunk (the source tree previously known as HEAD)
- Information on subversion
 - <http://subversion.tigris.org/>
- Information on access to Samba branches using anonymous svn
 - <http://samba.org/samba/subversion.html>

Samba Development

- Samba Team
 - Membership == write access to the samba code repository
 - See <http://www.samba.org/samba/team.html>
 - Currently 8 - 10 active developers
- Most technical discussion takes place on
 - samba-technical@samba.org
 - #samba-technical on irc.freenode.net
 - individual/conference telephone calls
- Project Roadmap
 - <http://www.samba.org/samba/devel/>
 - No further development on the 2.2 code base

Development Challenges

- When should a local 'hack' become a supported feature?
 - ❑ hard to guess all the possible scenarios/platforms that Samba will face
 - ❑ non-unix accounts
 - ❑ winbind use default domain
- Backwards compatibility
 - ❑ our bane as well as Microsoft's
 - ❑ little used features frequently suffer from bit rot
- Testing environments
 - ❑ Complimentary VMware licenses from vmware.com

Samba 3.0 Major Server Features

- Use of Kerberos 5 and LDAP when joined to an Active Directory Domain
- UNICODE support
- Better MS-RPC printing support
- Support for migrating users and groups from a WinNT4 domain
- Support for WinNT4 trust relationships as a PDC
- Layered Virtual File System layer
- Flexible authentication and account storage options
- Improved Winbind
- Support for 32-bit NT Status return codes

Samba 3.0.x

- Plans are to release Samba 3.0.3 by the end of 04/2004.
 - Bugfixes
 - New Features
- New features added to the 3.0 source tree
 - Storing DOS attributes in Extended Attributes (EA)
 - EA support for OS/2 and Mac OS X
 - Password Lockout support on a Samba DC
 - Support for nested groups (Windows local groups)
- Samba 3.0.x where $x > 3$
 - More bug fixes, etc....

Samba 3.[125]

- Interim release between 3.0 and Samba 4.0
 - Possibly the first of several 3.x releases
 - Target release date -- end of 2004
 - 3.1.x will be alpha releases
 - ✓ Hopefully by the end of June
 - 3.2.0 -- beta, rc, final
- Features
 - Initially integrate low hanging fruit from Samba 4 tree
 - ✓ smb client library (smbclient, smbtorure, etc...)
 - ✓ ldb database
 - ✓ schannel implementation
 - ✓ rpc client library based on IDL

Samba 3.2 Features (cont)

- Possible / Probable Features
 - ❑ Full Windows NT ACL compatibility
 - ❑ Full SAM replication with Windows NT 4.0 BDCs
 - ❑ Support for NT privileges
 - ❑ libregistry API
 - ❑ More i18n work
 - ❑ Utilize LDAP Directories services for configuration
 - ❑ Merge of rpc server infrastructure from Samba 4 (?)
 - ❑ Redesign of user and group account management
 - ❑ Continued integration of features and patches from vendors and the community

Samba 4.0

- Refer to slides from Tridge (previous talk)

Active Directory DC?

- When will Samba be able to replace Active Directory?
 - ❑ Refer to talk by Jim McDonough
 - ❑ Cross project
 - ✓ Kerberos 5
 - ✓ LDAP
 - ✓ DDNS
 - ✓ CIFS
- Work has begun but has a long way to go
 - ❑ MS-CLDAP
 - ❑ New RPCs
 - ❑

CIFS for UNIX

- IBM has funded development of the cifsvfs file system for the Linux 2.6 kernel
- Mac OS X has native smbfs support
- Possibility of real non-Microsoft CIFS clients
 - ❑ HP's unix extensions for CIFS
 - ❑ 'unix extensions' smb.conf
 - ❑ We now have both a strong, modern client and a strong server
 - ❑ CIFS between UNIX hosts as an alternative to NFSv4
- Longhorn ?
 - ❑ Microsoft wants to do away with CIFS

Other Team Activities

- CVS modules
 - ❑ lorikeet
 - ✓ repository for interoperability patches to other Open Source/Free Software projects
 - ❑ sangria
 - ✓ framework to manage Samba installations and configurations
- Possibilities to volunteer (ways to get a free t-shirt)
 - ❑ <https://bugzilla.samba.org/>
 - ❑ Coordination of testing for preview and RC snapshots
 - ❑ Package Maintenance
 - ❑ Build Farm (participant or maintainer)
 - ❑ The ability to “Innovate”

Conclusion

...Thanks :^)

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