Open Source: Why?

- > Impossibility of relying only on specific developments ...
- Integration of COTS (Commercial-Off-The-Shelf) components not always possible...
 - « Composants logiciels et sûreté de fonctionnement Intégration de COTS » (Hermes Science Publications 2000)

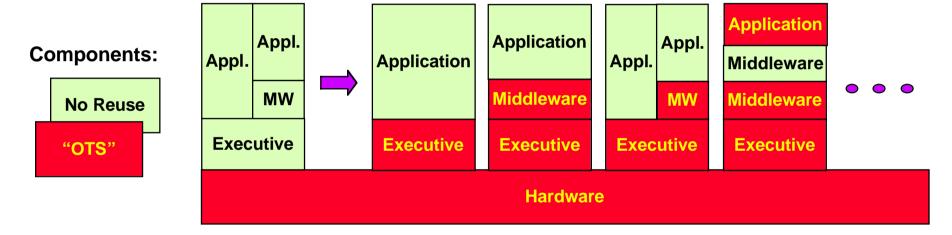


- Alternative? : Open Source Solutions !!
 - Access to source code -> better observability and controlability
 - ✓ Motivated and competent developer community -> responsiveness and quality
 - ✓ Application standards -> guaranties wrt interoperability
 - ✓ But critical systems have stringent requirements and rigorous development processes

Components and Systems Concerned

Components of a computer system

- · Application: Oracle, Flight Control,...
- · Middleware: CORBA, DCOM, OLE,...
- Operating System: Unix, Windows, Linux,...
- · Microkernel: Chorus, LinxOS, PalmOS,...
- · Processor: Pentium, PowerPC, LEON,...



- Embedded control systems
- Large-scale distributed systems: Web servers, ground stations, etc.
- SW development tools (simulators, compilers, etc.)