



OpenLDAP Source versus Symas OpenLDAP - 2008

Features	OpenLDAP™ Source	Symas® OpenLDAP™
LDAP ¹		
Fully complaint Directory Server	✓	✓
Scalable	✓	✓
Secure	✓	✓
Extreme performance	✓	✓
Proven track record	✓	✓
Core Directory Backends		
Only stable proven backends	✗	✓
Core Directory Overlays		
Only stable proven overlays	✗	✓
Contributed Uncertified Directory Overlays		
Experimental contrib overlays	✓	✗
Directory Replication		
Multi-Master	✓	✓
Active-Active Standby	✓	✓
Push-Mode	✓	✓
Pull-Mode	✓	✓
Delta Replication	✓	✓
Binary Packages built by Professionals ²		
AIX 5.1, 5.2 & 5.3	✗	✓
HP-UX 11i v2 (IA-64 and PA-RISC)	✗	✓
Linux (x86)	✗	✓
Red Hat Linux 3, 4 & 5 (x86 & x86_64)	✗	✓
SuSE Linux 8, 9 & 10 (x86 & x86_64)	✗	✓
Debian/Ubuntu (x86 & x86_64)	✗	✓
Linux (IA-64)	✗	✓
Mac OS X (PPC & x86)	✗	✓
Solaris (SPARC & x86)	✗	✓

Solaris (x86_64)	✗	✓
Windows (x86 & IA-64)	✗	✓
Version Controlled Third Party Open Source Packages and Libraries ³		
OpenSSL	✗	✓
Cyrus SASL	✗	✓
Oracle® Berkeley DB	✗	✓
Enterprise Support & TCO		
Forums, Wiki, Documents, Product Portal	✓	✓
Managed Updates and Upgrades	✗	✓
Support Portal with SLA	✗	✓
E-mail Support Incidents with SLA	✗	✓
Phone Support (business hours) with SLA	✗	✓ (optional)
24x7 crisis phone support with SLA	✗	✓ (optional)
New feature request option	✗	✓ (optional)
Paid Consultancy	✗	✓ (optional)
Pain free upgrades	✗	✓
System library independent	✗	✓
Enterprise Stable Feature Access		
6-12 months before core OpenLDAP release (always available in OpenLDAP CVS HEAD)	✗	✓

1. It is left to the specific company engineer to build OpenLDAP against recommend Oracle Berkeley DB versions, which in turn requires in depth knowledge of Oracle Berkeley DB. See the OpenLDAP list archives for more information.
2. Fully tested and certified on the most exotic platforms and supported.
3. Built for running as a Trading Strength Directory Server, not just for library dependencies like many other distributions (RPM based). Also, 3rd Party packages are thoroughly tested and picked for best performance, not satisfying other package requirements.