

OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE

The Five Cs

CREATIVE COMMONS

A form of licence that can be used for open source software – usually in the form of the Free Software Foundation's GNU licenses.





COLLABORATIVE

Communally built software leads to more rigorous design and less bugs for the end user. Because it's community driven, open source allows for access to a broader range of skills.

COST EFFICIENT

Rather than having to build something that's been done before, you can utilise others' work, saving time and money.





COMMUNITY-DRIVEN

A community-focused approach to software design reflects the ethos of the development community.

CHANGE

Encourages innovation. Open source software means you know what others have done in the space and are able to build on that.





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