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"de-allocated", etc.); on one line it's "sk_buff" on the next it's "skb" -- I mean THIS IS NOT POETRY! This is a lot of precise, dumb and boring literal-minded stuff that, in order to be understood, HAS TO BE RIGHT! every time, all the time). p.256, "The array of frags is placed in memory ... It can contain as many as six pages in the array." In which array? Does this mean IT ITSELF contains six pages of memory, or does mean that it happens to be in possession of yet another array -- and it is this other array that holds the aforementioned memory pages?OK, it is an unfortunate fact of life that techies are massively deprived of the aptitude for verbal communication, fine, but where's the editor? It's a fifty-dollar book, for chrissakes. The book is very irritating in this respect.Otoh, it's got a lot of good stuff, so, in a paroxysm of charitableness, I'll give it four stars after all. But it's darn hard to read, 'cause the author, though he knows his stuff, is an inarticulate turdhead, and the editor took a nap -- 'cause, you know, you'll buy it anyway, why bother.Four stars, but only this time.PS. Be sceptical about the review by John Matlock "Gunny" (right below here). This guy cannot possibly have read what he's reviewed; to convince yourself, please visit his reviews page and count the number of reviews he posts daily, every day, since the beginning of time.

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