# Avocado: Open Source Testing Made Easy LinuxCon North America, 2015



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# **Agenda**

- What is Avocado?
- Architecture
- Features
- Demo
- Roadmap

#### Who we are

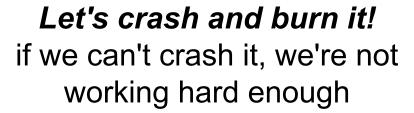
- Virtualization Test Team @ Red Hat
- We develop testing tools for KVM and Libvirt
- We maintain Autotest and virt-test
- The experience with those prompted us to imagine what the next generation of testing tools would look like

#### Without further ado...

- Avocado is a set of tools and libraries to perform automated testing on linux platforms
- Developed to reconcile the needs of different teams involved in software development: QE and Development

### Testing tools: QE vs. Development







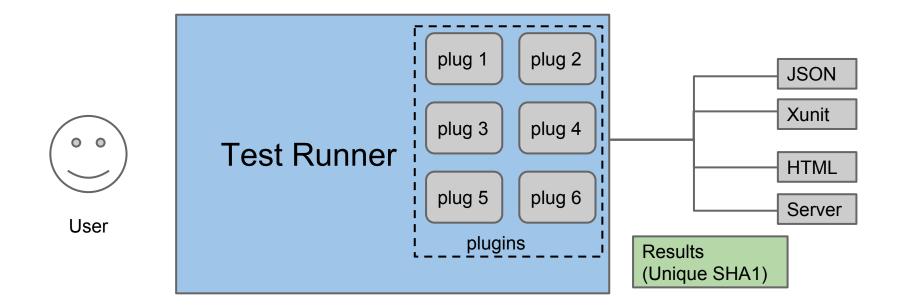
In code we trust (Works For Me)
we write good code – and keep
getting better at it

# Avocado: A new testing toolbox

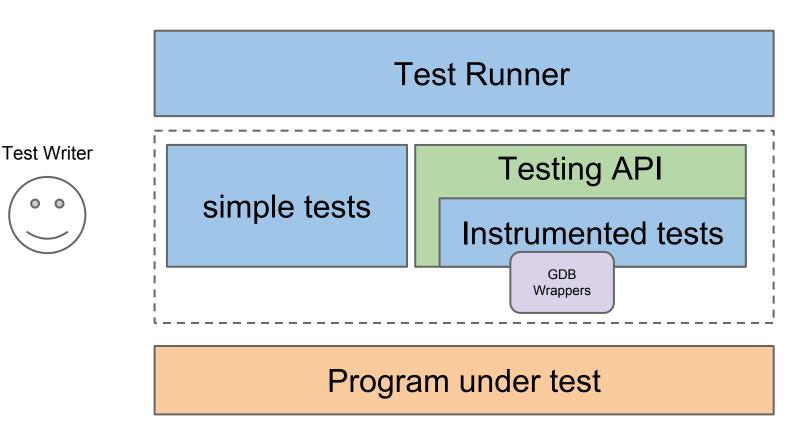
#### Testing should be fun and simple:

- Start with a test runner, with optional features helpful for debugging and development
- Add more building blocks (plugins) as you need more features
- Don't restrict test development choices Use any language you want (you get benefits from using test APIs though)
- The same test runner is used in the infrastructure that runs
   Cl jobs the test grid

#### **Avocado For Users**



#### **Avocado For Test Writers**



# Multiplexer

- In virt testing, we have large test matrixes
  - Disk formats
  - NICs
  - Guest OS
  - Host OS
- The multiplexer is a mechanism of describing a test matrix in a compact way
- YAML based
- Allows the use of filters to reduce the scope of the matrix

# Multiplexer - simple example

```
bread: !mux
    italian:
       bread: Italian
                                     Variants generated:
    nine grain:
                                     Variant 1: /bread/italian,/topping/american,/filling/roast beef
       bread: Nine grain
                                     Variant 2: /bread/italian,/topping/american,/filling/tuna
topping: !mux
                                     Variant 3: /bread/italian,/topping/cheddar,/filling/roast beef
    american:
                                     Variant 4: /bread/italian,/topping/cheddar,/filling/tuna
       topping: American
                                     Variant 5: /bread/nine grain,/topping/american,/filling/roast beef
    cheddar:
                                     Variant 6: /bread/nine grain,/topping/american,/filling/tuna
       topping: Cheddar
                                     Variant 7: /bread/nine grain,/topping/cheddar,/filling/roast beef
filling: !mux
                                     Variant 8: /bread/nine grain,/topping/cheddar,/filling/tuna
    roast beef:
        filling: Roast Beef
   tuna:
        filling: Tuna
```

## Multiplexer - complex example

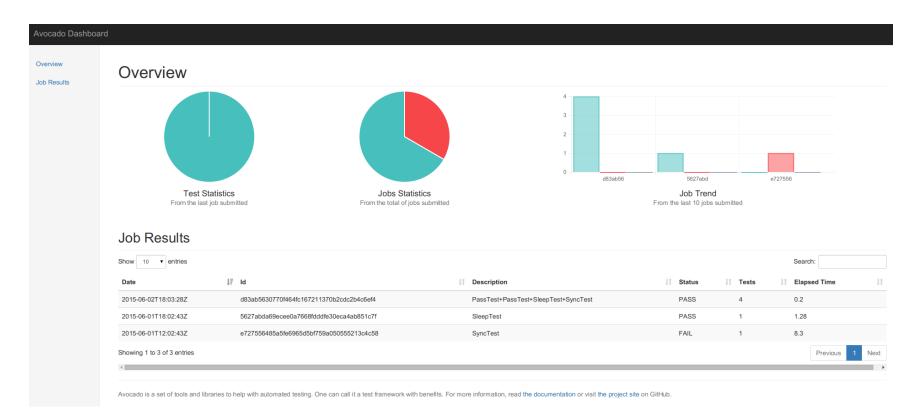
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env: !mux
    production:
                                                                                   production
       malloc_perturb: no
                                                                                   debug
       gcc flags: -03
                                                                                   kernel_config
       malloc_perturb: yes
                                                                                         · page_size
       gcc_flags: -g
                                                                                           ─ default
                                                                                           huge_pages
host:
    kernel config:
                                                                                           ─ default
        page_size: !mux
                                                                                             = numa ballance aggressive
            default:
                                                                                           느 numa_ballance_light
            huge pages:
                                                                                 guest
                huge_pages: yes
        numa: !mux
                                                                                          windows
            default:
            numa_ballance_aggressive:
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                numa_balancing_migrate_deferred: 32
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                numa_balancing_scan_size_mb: 512
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                numa_balancing: 1
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                numa_balancing_migrate_deferred: 8
                numa balancing scan size mb: 32
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guest:
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    os: !mux
                                                                                       rtl 8139
        windows: !mux
                                                                                        = e1000
            os_type: windows
                                                                                       느 virtio net
            xp:
                win: xp
            2k12:
                                                                                     = sync test
                 win: 2k12
                                                                                        = standard
                                                                                        = aggressive
                win: 7
                                                                                      ping_test
        linux: !mux
                                                                                        = standard
"examples/tests/multiplextest.py.data/multiplextest.yaml" 73L, 1699C
```

73 line YAML file

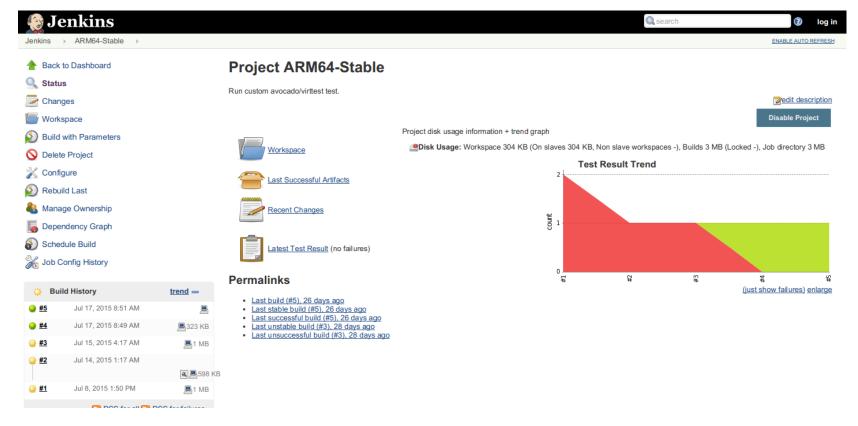
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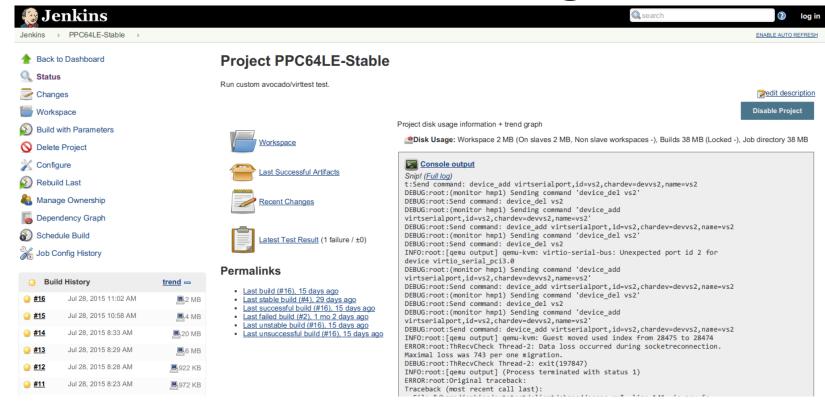
#### **Avocado Dashboard**



# Real World: Jenkins Integration



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#### **Avocado: Future**

- More external contributions
- Improve virtualization support
- Integrate with more CI tools and provisioning tools
- Avocado server reports and REST tools
- Component isolation (automated bisection)
- ... You decide!

#### Resources

- Main website
  - http://avocado-framework.github.io/
- Documentation
  - http://avocado-framework.readthedocs.org/en/latest/
- COPR repo
  - https://copr.fedoraproject.org/coprs/lmr/Autotest/