

# Net DevOps and Change Control

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# Agenda

- Change Management Today
- The Problems Today
- NetDevOps Toolkit
- Tying it All Together (vDemo)

#### Pete Who?



CCIE R&S, CCDE (First in Cisco Support)

Former Cisco TAC Routing Escalation

Current Cumulus Networks SE/Architect

Network Engineer, Not a Programmer

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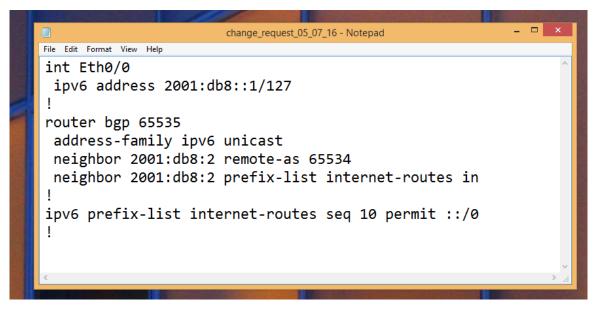
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  - Why is it your users?

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change_request_05_07_16 - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
int Eth0/0
 ipv6 address 2001:db8::1/127
router bgp 65535
 address-family ipv6 unicast
 neighbor 2001:db8:2 remote-as 65534
 neighbor 2001:db8:2 prefix-list internet-routes in
ipv6 prefix-list internet-routes seq 10 permit ::/0
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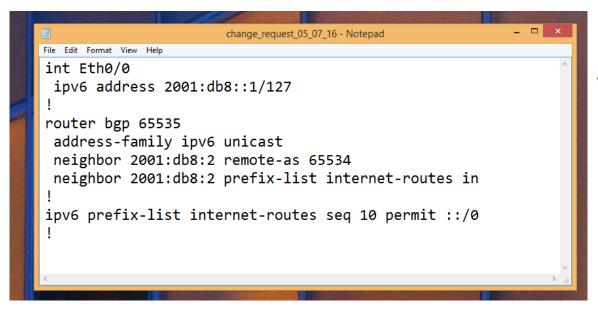


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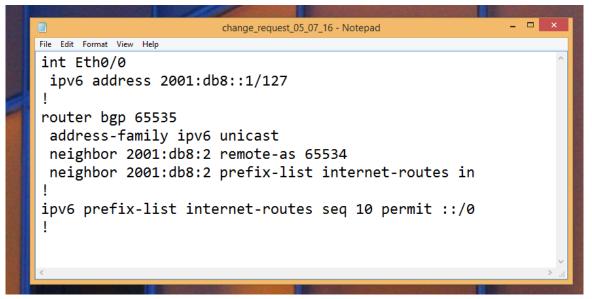
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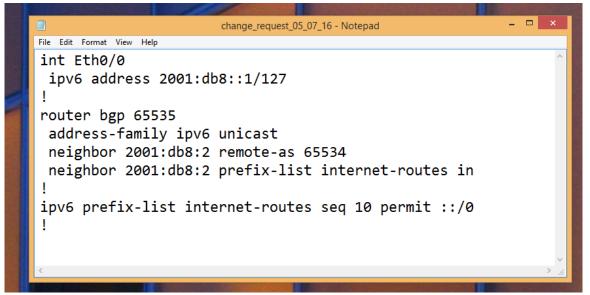
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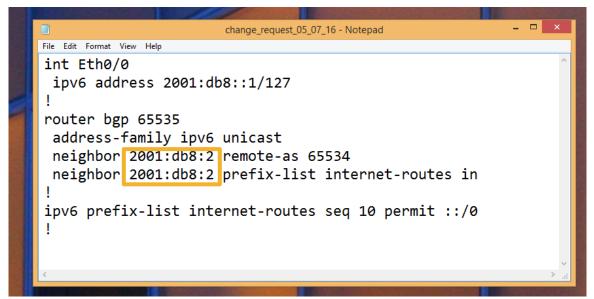
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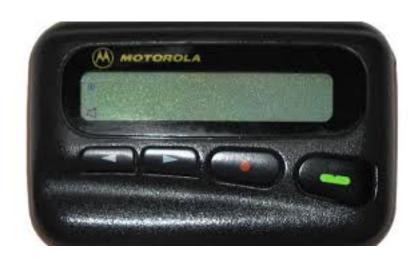
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Sunday, 8:30am:

Notice Typo, Fix. Go home.

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#### **Worst Case**

- Ping some things
- Watch for tickets

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### Validation? What Validation?

Is ping your business application?

Poor change communication

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### Recap: What's Broken?

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Silos of Excellence



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# Imagine a World...

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More drinks with umbrellas



### NetDevOps Toolbox



Git – Provides config management and collabration

#### NetDevOps Toolbox





GitLab – Change management and automated testing

#### NetDevOps Toolbox









Virtual Box – Hypervisor for lab network + server VMs Vagrant – Simplifies large Virtual Box environments











Ansible – Applies configuration and manages automation





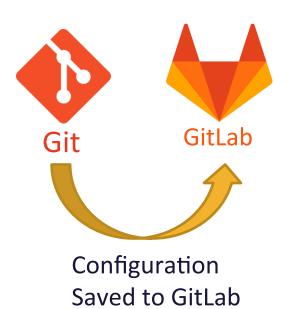








Behave – English based testing language

























GitLab Launches Lab with new configs















Vagrant configures lab with Ansible













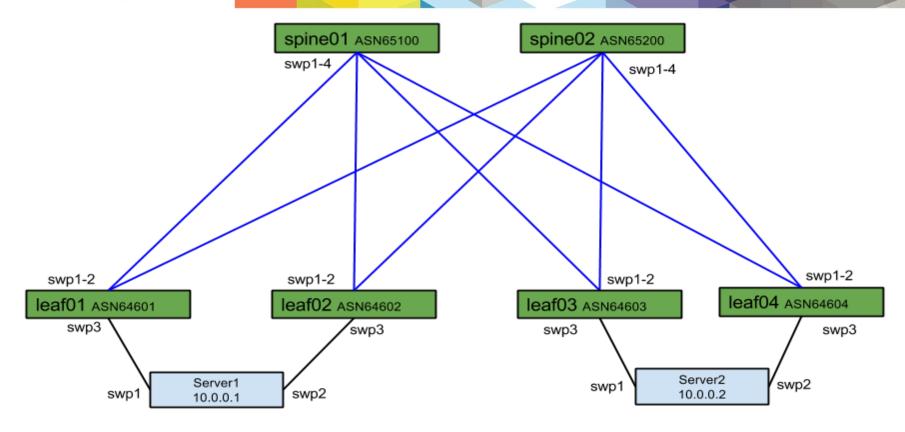


GitLab runs Behave tests against infrastructure

#### vDemo



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http://gitlab.com/plumbis/interop-2016

## Demo Time!

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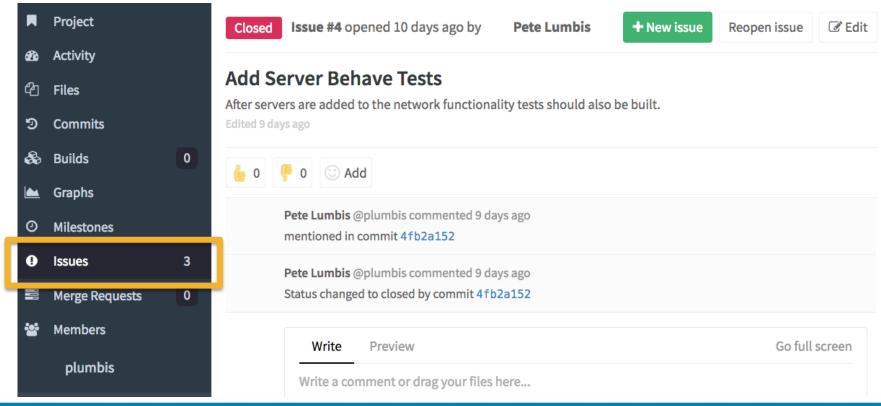
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  Scenario: Validate Web Server Access # website.feature:5
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    When apache is running
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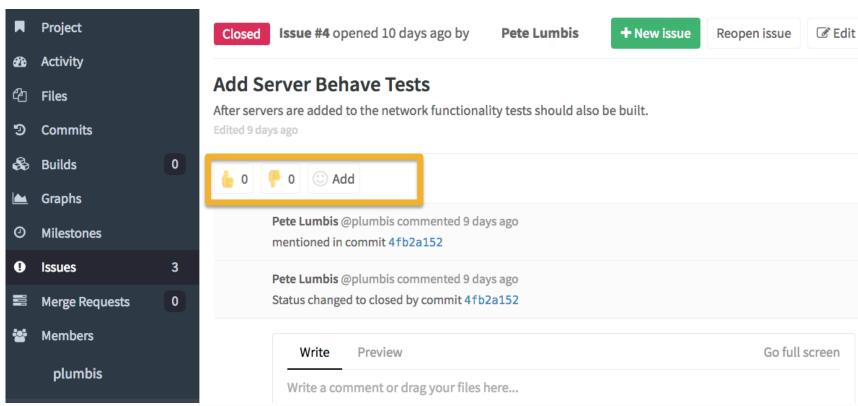
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      Assertion Failed: spine1 peer swp1 not Established. Current state: Idle
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Failing scenarios:
  bgp.feature: 3 Check BGP Neighbors
  interfaces.feature: 3 Check interfaces are up
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6 steps passed, 2 failed, 0 skipped, 0 undefined
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#### GitLab Ticketing

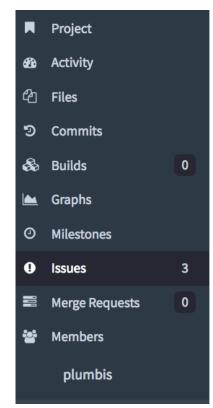


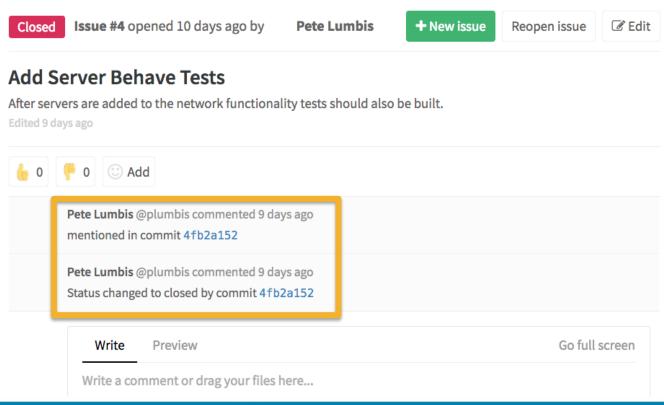
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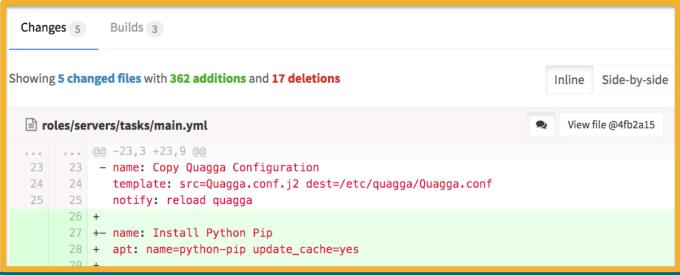


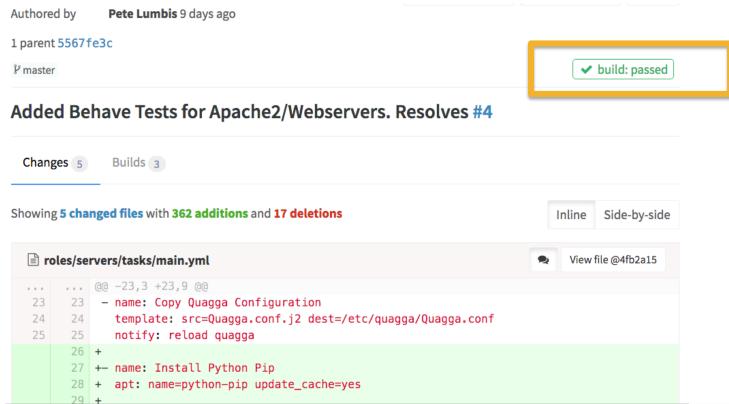


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#### Added Behave Tests for Apache2/Webservers. Resolves #4





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# Questions?



# Thank You!

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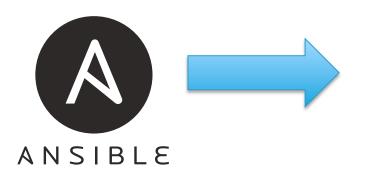










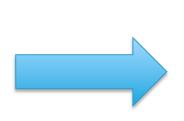




















#### **Automation Tools - Ansible**



- Configuration Management Software
- Manages SSH connections
- Large collection of libraries for common tasks
- Human Readable

#### **Automation Tools - Ansible**

```
name: Disable AAAA DNS lookups
 replace:
   dest=/etc/gai.conf
   regexp="#precedence ::ffff:0:0/96
   replace="precedence ::ffff:0:0/96 100"
- name: Install Apache
 apt: name=apache2 update cache=yes
 notify: restart apache
- name: Copy /etc/network/interfaces
 template: src=interfaces.j2 dest=/etc/network/interfaces
 notify: reload networking
```

#### **Automation Tools - Git**



- Source Code text file repository
- Automatic file revision/change management
- Built for teams to work on the same files
- Easy to get started, lots of knobs for advanced users

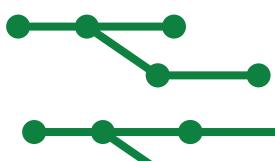
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Remote Repository – Central Server hosting files



**Local Repository** – Your local copy of the remote. Where you change things



**Branch** – Isolated copy for new features, risky changes



Merge – Apply branch changes to master repository copy (see also: "Pull Request")

#### Automation Tools - Git Cont'd

Create Changes in Branches



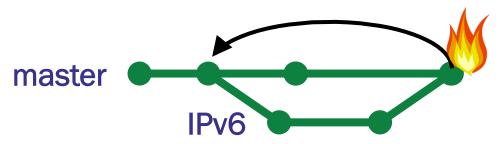
Merge and Review Changes



Use merge/pull request as an opportunity to review impact of changes

#### Automation Tools – Git Cont'd

Rollback failures after merge



For for new project/datacenter/office



### Infrastructure as Code



- Use software practices for device configurations
- All configuration changes tracked and shared
- Easy to replace and spin up devices

# IaC - Vagrant + VirtualBox



- Free hypervisorWindows/Mac/Linux support



- Orchestrates VirtualBox
- Define full datacenter of VMs
- One click spin up / spin down

#### Continuous Integration / Continuous Development

- CI/CD
- CI Make lots of production changes
  - Probably not good for networks
- CD Make lots of small config changes
  - Test Early, Test Often

#### CI/CD Pipeline

- Tools designed to automate tests
- Hook into Git(hub)
- Very flexible, highly customizable



GitLab







#### Network DevOps

- DevOps is about culture
  - Developers and Operators working together
- Where are the network engineers?
- Death to the silo!
- Network + Dev + Ops
  - Unique skills, collaboration is key!