

MARTe2 Users Meeting Quality Assurance & collaboration models with-in the community

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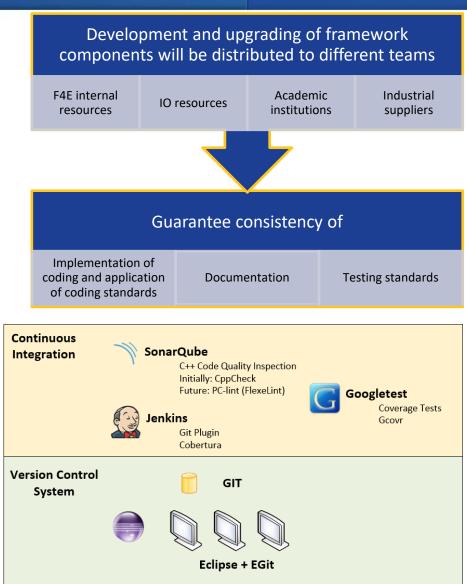
Why a new MARTe project?



- Fast controller prototyope project
 - Integration of fast plant systems in ITER
- Development of ITER specific integration components
- Imposes the implementation of a Quality Assurance (QA) strategy that is appropriate for ITER

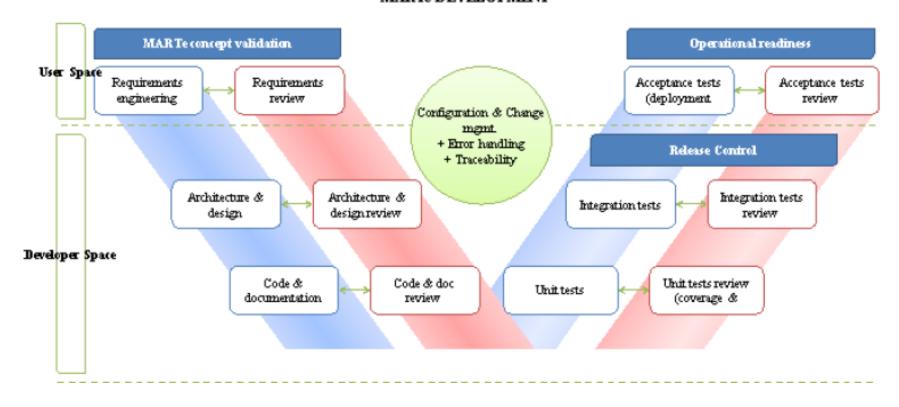
Safely integrate contributions from a large and heterogeneous development community

Manage changes to the configuration items and baselines





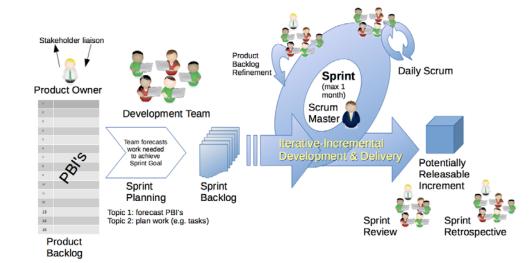
MARTe DEVELOPMENT



Agile life-cycle method



- Requirements
 - Translated into user-stories
- User-stories
 - Architecture
 - Implementation
 - Unit-testing
 - Integrated testing
- Golden (and expensive!!!) rule
 - The Q&A review for each of the activities <u>shall</u> be done by a different person
 - ...but this person can be a developer in another story
 - ...or can be the coder for the implementation and the reviewer for the testing
- Every scrum...
 - ...ends with a new release and with a QA audit
 - and with a sprint review for lessons learned regarding the QA process (very important!)



Issue tracking



- Redmine to implement Agile development
 - Full tracking which facilitates Auditing
 - Every story has the same structure:



Issue tracking



Architecture & design review ¶

Date of the review: 29/07/2015

Person who did the review: Riccardo Vitelli

Version of architecture & design document: N/A. As per the original MARTe implementation, this is a support function and does not require formal design in UML.

Result of review: N/A

List of non-conformities: N/A

Code and documentation review

Date of the review: 29/07/2015

Person who did the review: Riccardo Vitelli

Result of review: PASS (MISRA non compliant)

List of non-conformities:

- MARTe2-dev/Source/Core/L0Portability/ThreadsDatabase.cpp:92:85: Note 9025: More than two pointer indirection levels used for type 'ThreadInformation ***' [MISRA C++ Rule 5-9-19]
- MARTe2-dev/Source/Core/L0Portability/ThreadsDatabase.cpp;92:85: Note 929: cast from pointer to pointer [MISRA C++ Rule 5-2-7]
- MARTe2-dev/Source/Core/LOPortability/ThreadsDatabase.cpp:195:78: Note 925: cast from pointer to pointer [MISRA C++ Rule 5-2-8], [MISRA C++ Rule 5-2-9]
- MARTe2-dev/Source/Core/L0Portability/ThreadsDatabase.cpp:207:107: Note 9025: More than two pointer indirection levels used for type 'ThreadInformation ***' [MISRA C++ Rule 5-0-19]
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NOTE: ThreadsDatabase should be converted to the Singleton design pattern.

Issue tracking



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Unit test review ¶		"					
Date of the review: 29/07/2015							
Person who did the review: iven Herrero							
Desult of coverage tests review: PASS							
Result of functional tests review: N/A							
Result of review: FAIL							
List of non-conformities:							
ThreadsDatabase class has not specific unit tests, but it is actually tested through the unit t	tests of 1	Threads class.					
Some error paths have not been exercised on unit tests.							
Subtasks					Add		
Related issues					Add		
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Target version set to Backlog		Lint of Threads #160, #161 and #162 is ready for review.					
Updated by Riccardo Vitelli 3 months ago	#2						
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Updated by Riccardo Vitelli 3 months ago	#3	Simplified priority setting interface (#160, #161 and #16	52).				
Status changed from New to Code: Impl		Revision e97f6c93 Added by Riccardo Vitelli 2 months ago					
Updated by Riccardo Vitelli 2 months ago	#4	#162 - Minor formatting corrections (following template r	ules), rem	oved			
Status changed from Code: Impl to Code: Rev		unused includes.					
Updated by Ivan Herrero 2 months ago	#5						

• Description updated (diff)

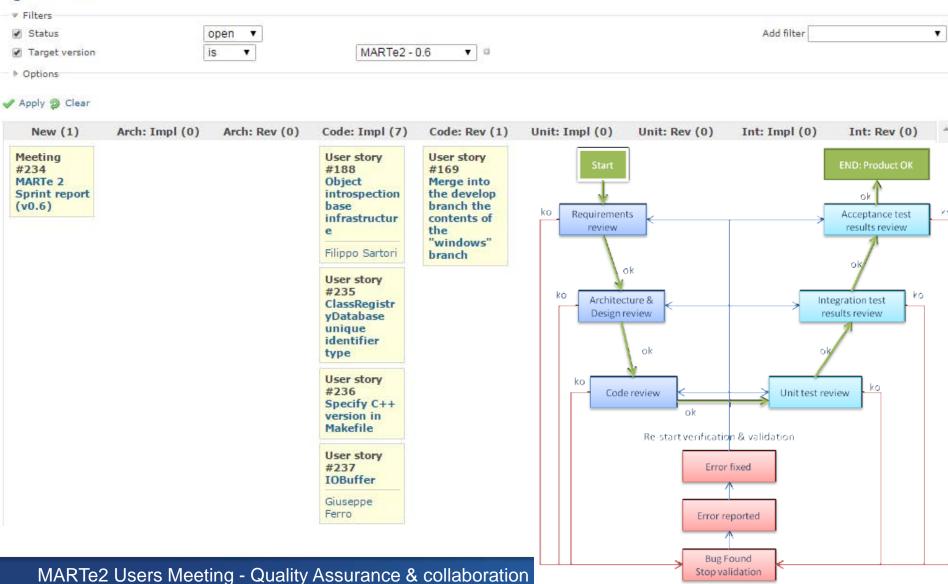
Assignee set to Riccardo Vitelli

Updated by Riccardo Vitelli 2 months ago

Agile board



Agile board





Every scrum ends with a new release and with a QA audit

MARTe2 QA-audit (v0.3) « Previous | 18 of 66 | Next » Added by André Neto about 1 month ago. Updated about 1 month ago. Status: Start date: 23/08/2015 Due date: Priority: Normal Assignee: % Done: 100% Category: Spent time: Target version: 0.3

Description

Quote

Requirements review

Date of the review: 30/07/2015

Person who did the review: André Neto

Version of requirements: 0.3

Result of review: N/A

List of non-conformities: N/A

Comments: The requirements for this sprint are tracked in the EA model and are fully based on features that were already available in the previous version of the framework.

Architecture & design review

Date of the review: 30/07/2015

Person who did the review: André Neto

Version of architecture & design document: 0.3

Result of review: N/A

List of non-conformities: N/A

Comments: As per the original MARTe implementation, the user stories of this sprint are support functions and do not require formal design.

Note: No design document was produced but this was thoroughly discussed in several meetings and reported in #191. Discuss if this should be captured in EA, as a source of documentation (see #192).



Code and documentation review

Date of the review: 23/08/2015

Person who did the review: Ivan Herrero

Version of source code: 0.3

Result of review: PASS

List of non-conformities: N/A

- MARTe2 dev/Source/Core/LOPortability/ThreadsDatabase.cpp:92:85: Note 9025: More than two pointer indirection levels used for type 'ThreadInformation ***' [MISRA C++ Rule 5-0-19]
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- MARTe2-dev/Source/Core/LOPortability/ThreadInformation.h:47:25: Note 9109: type 'ThreadInformation' previously declared at location 'line 47' [MISRA C++ Rule 3-2-3]
- MARTe2-dev/Source/Core/L0Portability/ThreadInformation.cpp:93:49: Note 929: cast from pointer to pointer [MISRA C++ Rule 5-2-7]
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- Warning 459: Function 'SystemThreadFunction(ThreadInformation *)' whose address was taken has an unprotected access to variable 'ThreadSDatabase::maxNOfEntries'
- Warning 459: Function 'SystemThreadFunction(ThreadInformation *)' whose address was taken has an unprotected access to variable 'ThreadsDatabase::nOfEntries'
- Warning 459: Function 'SystemThreadFunction(ThreadInformation *)' whose address was taken has an unprotected access to variable 'ThreadsDatabase::entries'
- Warning 459: Function 'SystemThreadFunction(ThreadInformation *)' whose address was taken has an unprotected access to variable 'ThreadsDatabase::internalMutex'
- Threads::name declares that it returns a C style string (char8*) without specifying who is the responsible for the management of the memory used by this char array (it
 actually returns a pointer to the char array hosted by an instance of ThreadInformation calling its ThreadName method). Perhaps it should be created a copy of the char array
 by means of Memory::StringDup or changed the prototype putting the char array as an out parameter of the method.
- Warning 1502: defined object 'ObjectHeap_' of type 'Heap' has no nonstatic data members
- Warning 1502: defined object 'ReferenceContainerHeap_' of type 'Heap' has no nonstatic data members
- Note 974: Worst case function for stack usage: 'ReferenceContainer::Find' is recursive, loop contains call to 'ReferenceContainer::Find'. See <u>stack for a full report. [MISRA C+ Rule 7-5-4]
 </u>
- The global FastPollingMutexSem in Object.cpp could be a class attribute.
- In the function DecrementReferences it would be better to initialise ret to referencesNumber.
- The implementation of the Heap was the minimum required to be able to compile, but this will be reviewed in v0.4



Unit test review

Date of the review: 23/08/2015

Person who did the review: Andre' Neto

Version of unit tests: 0.3

Result of coverage tests review: PASS

Result of functional tests review: PASS

Result of review: PASS

List of non-conformities

- ThreadsDatabase class has not specific unit tests, but it is actually tested through the unit tests of Threads class.
- ThreadInformation class has not specific unit tests, but it is actually tested through the unit tests of Threads class.
- · Unit testing coverage note: Error paths not exercised on:
 - ThreadsOS.cpp (missing test of priorities and ProcessorType::GetDefaultCPUs())
 - o StringPortable.cpp (missing test for Concatenation with a NULL string)
- Unit testing coverage note: errors which require forcing an operating system fault are not tested: SleepOS.cpp, ThreadsOS.cpp, MutexSemOS.cpp, LoadableLibraryOS.h, EventSemOS.cpp.
- Unit testing coverage note: The following can only be tested when DLL support, configuration and introspection are implemented: ClassRegistryDatabase.cpp, ReferenceT.h,
 Object.cpp.
- Unit testing coverage note: The following are not tested because they have a private interface to disallow usage by the end-user: ClassRegistryItem.cpp, Object.cpp, ReferenceT.h. These have been removed from lcov using the markers //LCOV_EXCL_START and //LCOV_EXCL_STOP
- Unit testing coverage note: The delete object destructors (mangled with *D0Ev, see http://stackoverflow.com/questions/6613870/gnu-gcc-g-why-does-it-generate-multiple-dtors) are not being tested. This results in a low coverage function for many classes: Iterator.h, ReferenceContainerFilterReferences.h, SearchFilter.h and SortFilter.h
- Unit testing coverage note: In Processor::Family() the sentences inside the block protected by "if (family == 0xf)" has not been exercised, because the processor's family of
 the processor used in tests has not reached 0xf, so it does not need to use the Extended Family ID.
- · Threads unit tests fails at:
 - FAILED | ThreadsGTest.TestPriority
 - [FAILED] ThreadsGTest.TestGetThreadInfoCopy

The reason why these tests fail, is that in Linux a regular user is not allowed to change the priority. This can be solved by either running the tests as the root user (not advisable), or by editing the file /etc/security/limits.conf and adding the following lines (change aneto to your username):

@aneto soft rtprio 100 @aneto hard rtprio 10

[FAILED] BasicConsoleGTest.TestOpenModePerformCharacterInput (only happens in the continuous integration server)

- . Testing note: No proper test can be done for the LoadableLibrary::Close() function. It will have to be discussed in the future.
- The following methods of BasicConsole do not have an explicit test, because the answer is different according to the target operating system:



Result of functional tests review: PASS

Result of review: PASS List of non-conformities:

LCOV report (files containing functions not executed at all):

Note: execute with

lcov -1 Build/MARTe2.coverage.info

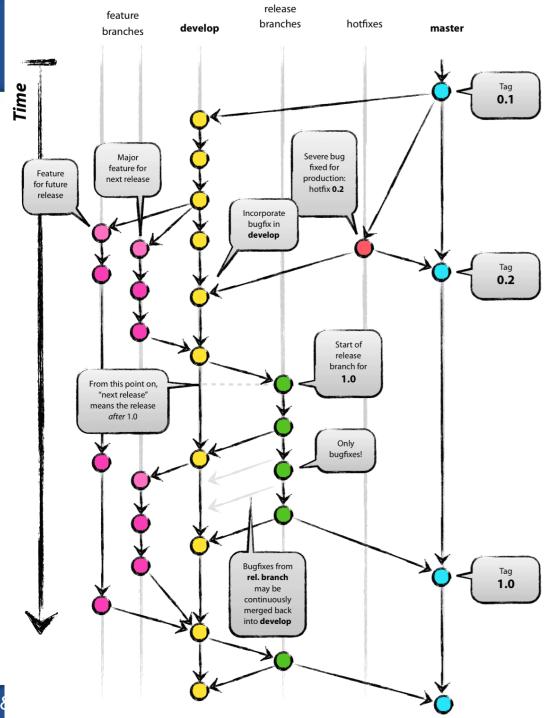
and compare with the latest master release using tkdiff.

Files containing functions with coverage < 90% or which have changed w.r.t. to last master release. Exclamation marks inform of differences w.r.t. to the last master:

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Tools and methods

- Source control version
 - Git and GitLab



Coding standard



- C++ version
 - ▶ ISO/IEC 14882:2003 aka as C++03
- MISRA C++:2008
 - Guidelines for the C++ language targeted towards critical systems
 - Applies to the C++ language defined by the standard ISO/IEC 14882:2003
 - Emerged from the automotive industry, and is widely accepted as a model for best practices in sectors like aerospace, telecom, medical devices, defense, railway and others
 - Part of the C++ stdlib cannot be used (e.g. cstring)
- Strict documentation standard defined
- Strict coding style standard defined

Static checking tools (FlexeLint)



- Devil is in the details
 - Adjusting the configuration of the linting files requires time and expertise...
 - Without integrating it in the code development environment, it can make life a living hell to the developers.
- It is not cheap
 - The level of pedanticity is huge
 - This definition has 5 "mistakes": unsigned int a = 3;

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18:5: Note 970: Use of modifier or type 'unsigned' outside of a typedef [MISRA C++ Rule 3-9-2]
18:14: Note 970: Use of modifier or type 'int' outside of a typedef [MISRA C++ Rule 3-9-2]
18:23: Note 9117: implicit conversion changes signedness [MISRA C++ Rule 5-0-4]
19:1: Warning 438: Last value assigned to variable 'a' (defined at line 48) not used [MISRA C++ Rule 0-1-6], [MISRA C++ I
18:1: Info 830: Location cited in prior message
19:1: Warning 529: Symbol 'a' (line 48) not subsequently referenced [MISRA C++ Rule 0-1-3], [MISRA C++ Rule 0-1-4]
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that the deviations to the standard can be put in the code itself

```
*/
uint32 listSize_;

/*lint -e{1712} This class does not have a default constructor because
 * the element type size must be defined on construction and remain constant
 * during object's lifetime*/
};
```

Testing, testing and testing...



- Unit testing aiming at 100 % coverage
- Google test used as framework
 - But no explicit dependency on the framework
- Coverage with Icov frontend to gcov
 - Again, getting the configuration of this right is not trivial...

Development environment

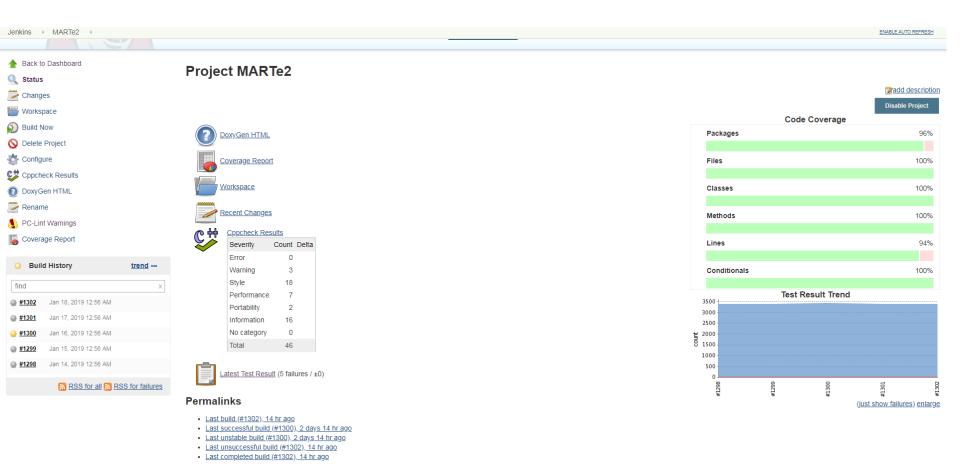


- Eclipse is configured to guarantee
 - Code compilation
 - Correct formatting against coding style
 - Automatically generate the documentation with doxygen
 - Manage the git branches
 - Integrated with flexelint to highlight problems
 - Run the tests
 - Check for the coverage

Integration environment



Jenkins runs everyday against the development branch

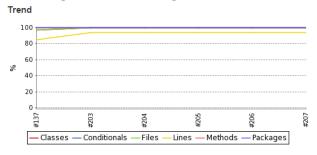


Where are we now?



- QA integration system successfully running for almost 4 years
- 19 development releases
- Very high MISRA compliance (almost 100 %)
- > 3400 core unit-tests
- > 1500 components unit-tests

High Coverage



Project Coverage summary

Name	Packages	Files	Classes	Methods	Lines	Conditionals
Cobertura Coverage Report	100% 5/5	100% 64/64	100% 64/64	100% 0/0	94% 3154/3370	100% 0/0



- Finding the right balance between creativity and Q&A is an art
 - Modifications can be adapted but one must be extremely conservative
 - This is also true for compiler versions, new versions of the standard language
 - Every modification to the way of working requires significant energy
 - Infrastructure
 - Software
 - People's time
- Once a Q&A strategy and development environment is agreed stick with it
 - Be prepared to handle frustration
 - Linting and documentation are hard tasks which take time for people to get used to
 - Automate as much as possible





- Linting forces people to think and guarantees some uniformity in addressing problems
 - But it is not a silver bullet!
 - It is not easy to configure
 - Some errors are extremely pedantic and developers need time to get used to it
 - Might introduce actually introduce bugs (when trying to solve linting issues)
 - Test!





- Agile is a great tool
 - Makes sure that people talk everyday
 - People can share ideas and address immediate problems
 - Technical authority to take decisions is crucial
 - We have it mixed with some waterfall which can lead to dead-locks in the development (e.g. all the stories are waiting to be reviewed and only one Q&A reviewer is available)



- Eclipse
 - Having all the Q&A process embedded in the tool is very beneficial
 - In particular having the IDE integrated with lint is very important
 - Otherwise you might be dealing with linting reports that have tens or hundreds of warnings and then having to look for the line numbers in the files



- Unit testing
 - Try to aim at 100 % coverage and try to have as many tests as possible
 - We have decided not to apply the coding standard to tests
 - Simply could not allow the effort
 - Unit testing the classes that handle the operating system abstraction was not easy
 - Main fault conditions are hard to simulate



A&Q <

- Having each user-story water-falled allows to easily develop the sprint audit
- Aligning sprint with releases is very helpful
 - Allows to have all the Q&A reports with the same release numbers and to have everything consistent
- Allow developers to vent their frustration
 - Usually there is the opportunity to make small improvements in the processes ...
 - ... but do not allow for clumsiness
- Documentation is a (very difficult) art
 - Make sure this is reviewed several times during the development
- Make sure that the framework documentation (API and code) is aligned to the actual code

And the numbers are...



Item	Lines of code
Core	47 k
Core (test)	138 k
Official components	28 k
Official components (test)	122 k

- For every unit of development expect:
 - ▶ ~4.5x of QA
 - ~0.3x of QA review
- For every new release expect:
 - 1 day of QA

Collaboration models



Open discussion and feedback from audience



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