Automation Beyond User Interfaces

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What You Won't Hear During this Talk

- An ROI analysis of test automation
- Why a tester should use automation
- Guidance on whether or not to use a kind of automation
- An assessment of alternative automation solutions

So Who is this Guy?

- Indoctrinated through Waterfall
- Survived the Tribulations of the Burndown Chart
- ◆ Too agile for Agile
- Ascended to
 He Who Sometimes Walks the
 Path of Automation



Environment Configuration

- Configure a computer before testing
- Executable configuration for test set up
- Get the system into a known state prior to testing
- Read the configuration prior to testing

Environment Configuration

Host Name: BERN Machine Domain: WORKGROUP

IP Address: 192.168.3.104

(none) (none)

192.168.56.1

MAC Address: 0C-8B-FD-B1-11-A1

08-9E-01-EC-71-91 0C-8B-FD-B1-11-A2

0A-00-27-00-00-00

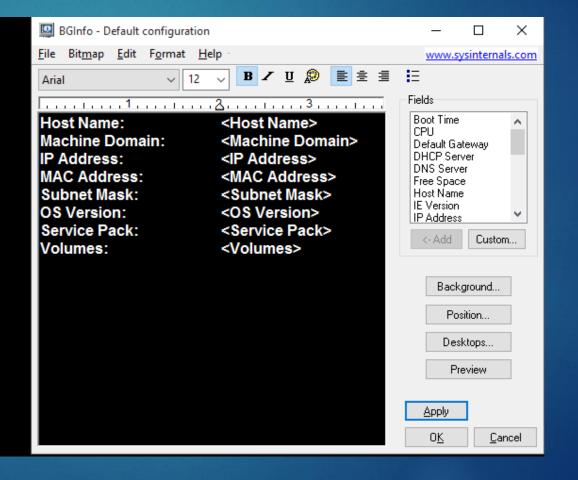
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

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OS Version: Windows 8.1
Service Pack: No service pack
Volumes: C:\ 423.17 GB NTFS

D:\ 25.00 GB NTFS



Environment Configuration Demo

More Environment Configuration

- Isolating several environments that exist on the same computer
- Include configuration with a test application

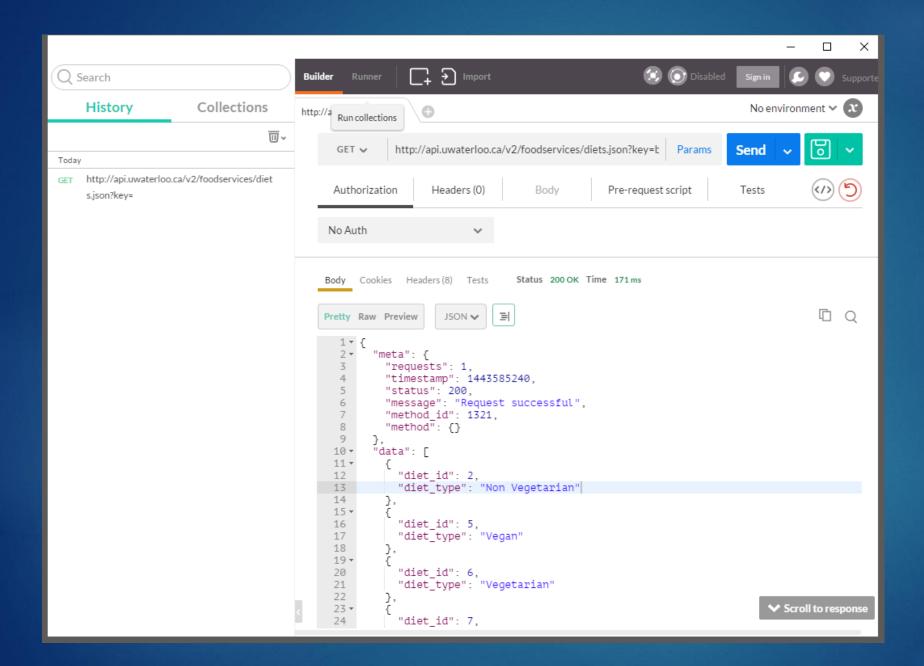
Another Environment Configuration Demo

Data Generation

For when you need to

- Interact with interfaces that require data structured in a specific format
- Interaction with a data store prior to testing to insert data required for testing
- Perform idempotent actions against a system

Data Generation Demo



Code Analysis

- Provides more context for the system under test
- Can apply rule sets that match definition of code quality
- ◆ Code can be examined for clues

Code Analysis Terms

- Static code analysis runs against source code files
- Dynamic code analysis runs alongside executed code
- Cyclomatic complexity is a quantitative value of the complexity of the code
- Code coverage is a measurement of the branches exercised by automated tests

Code Analysis Demo

Continuous Delivery

- Central concepts are actions based on change and providing timely feedback
- An automated process that incudes other techniques
 - Continuous Integration
 - Configuration management
 - Build pipeline and deployment automation
- ◆ This technique envelop all of the concepts in this talk

Sarcastic Management Slide

So this is about the number of hats I wear?

Or about increasing my productivity, right?

People are just about throughput and making that throughput more efficient is good, is it not?



Oh my goodness no.

Q&A

Tools used during demos:

- Puppet agent
- Vagrant and Virtualbox
- SonarQube and OpenCover
- Atom text editor and Visual Studio Community Edition

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