

# ONTAP Continuous Integration/Testing

How a change becomes a product

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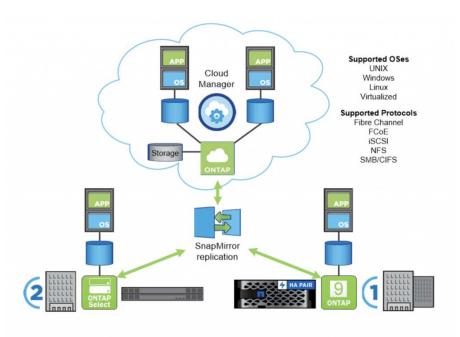
#### ONTAP

#### What is ONTAP?

- Data Management Software: Fast & reliable access to data
- Built-in storage efficiencies: snapshots, dedup
- Access your data: NFS/SAN/CIFS/more.
- Manage your data: GUI or CLI or Zapi (XML) or REST
- Protect your data: replication & encryption
- Runs on clustered Netapp filers, in VMs, or in the cloud

#### ONTAP feature set is huge:

- Netapp has been making ONTAP for 20+ years
- https://www.netapp.com/us/products/data-management-software/ontap.aspx



Across the NetApp data fabric, you can count on a common set of features and fast, efficient replication across platforms. You can use the same interface and the same data management tools.



### Why is shipping ONTAP hard?

Challenging development environment

- Diverse codebase
  - >10 millions lines of executable code (Not counting some 3<sup>rd</sup> party code)
  - Kernel & User code running in FreeBSD
  - C/C++ for product, python/perl for test code.
  - Significant 3<sup>rd</sup>-party/opensource footprint



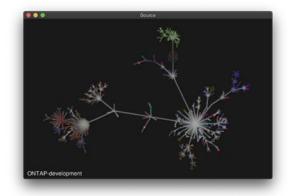




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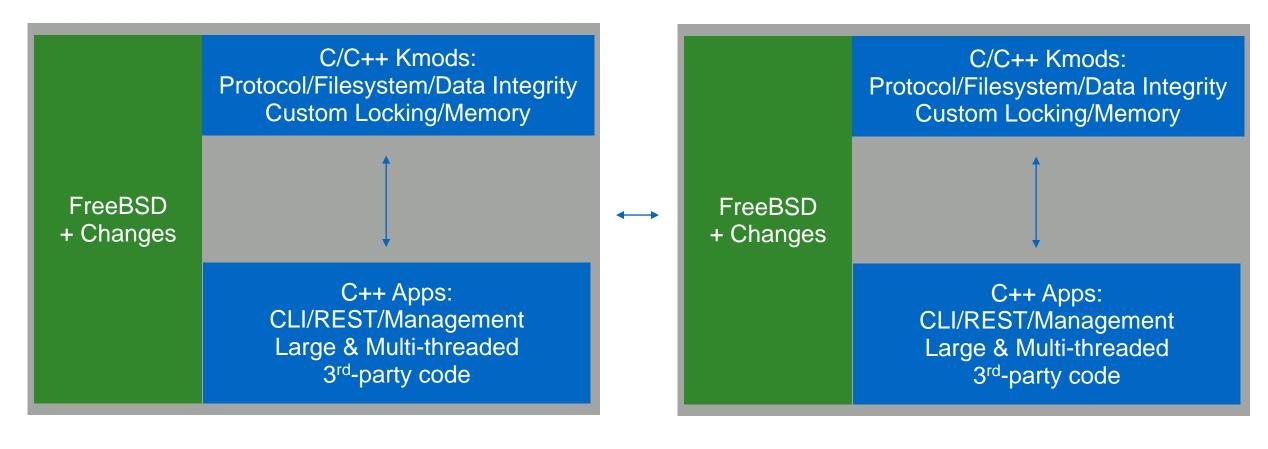
- Constant change
  - 20+ year-old code base
  - >1000 developers
  - High churn -> 38k changes submitted in 2018
  - Subtle interactions -> Changes to Feature A can break Feature B.







### **ONTAP** complexity: Many Moving Parts



Node 1 Node 2



### **ONTAP Engineering (Before)**

- ONTAP in 2012: quality/cadence needed to improve
  - Customers needed:
    - New features faster than every 3 years
    - New features to work on the first release
    - Old features to keep working
  - Engineers needed:
    - A codeline this isn't always broken
    - An escape from the end-of-release "test-to-health"
    - A reliable way to test whether their changes work and didn't regress other features.
    - A way to efficiently collaborate on features across groups and sites



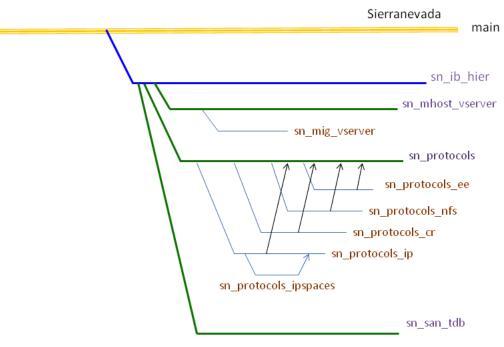
### ONTAP quality/cadence needed to improve

#### ONTAP in 2012:

- Test code and product in different P4 Depots
- Many branches and sub-branches
  - Teams own branches...
    - developed independently
    - pushed features/bug fixes up every 6-8 week.
  - Fix set of tests run on merge integration point
- Main took months to stabilize (when code came together)

#### Problems:

- Bug fixes 8 weeks from branch -> branch (Burt reports multiplied)
- Test code must handle every branches... or must wait until all code comes together
- High people cost synching/merging many branches





### ONTAP Engineering (After): DevOps for the win

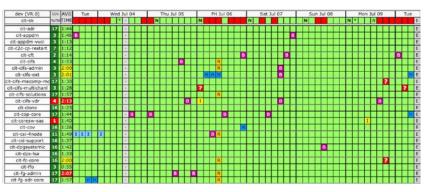
Simplification and Continuous Testing

- Pick one way and do it well:
  - One Codeline, One dev process, One operations team, One test pipeline, One codeline health report
  - 1000 developers: trunk-based development in a Monorepo



PERFORCE

- Give developers good builds/make change testing easy!
  - FlexClones provide a fully built client in ~1 min.
  - Run unit-test during build based on pending change.
  - Run most appropriate CI test based on pending change. (Coverage + Machine Learning to pick tests)
- Run regression tests continually
  - Unit-tests (>33k testcases) -> Every 10 minutes
  - Continuous Integration Tests (150x 2-hour tests) -> Every 3-hours
  - Continuous Integration Tests (550x 2-hour tests) -> Every Night
  - Autoheal: Automation detects and reverts regression-causing changes

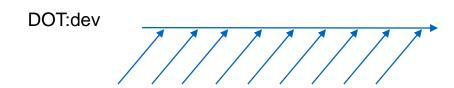




### How do we keep ONTAP working today?

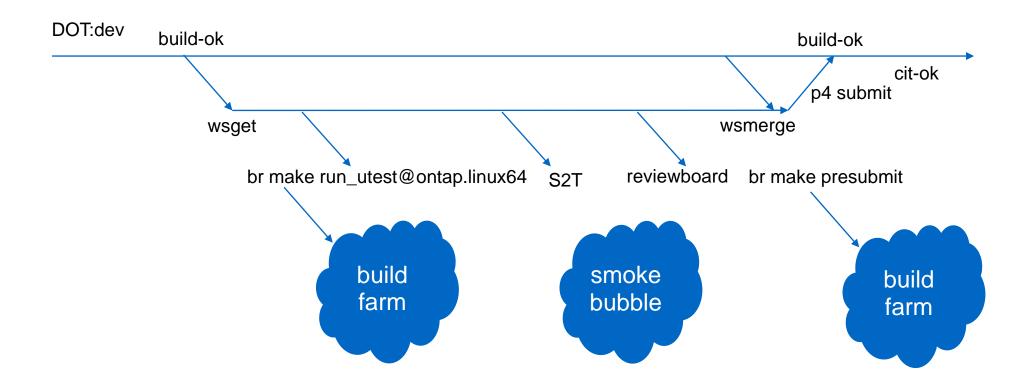
#### ONTAP uses Continuous Integration

- All dev submits to a single perforce depot:
  - DOT:dev -> Master development branch
  - No feature branches
  - Submit risky content disabled (dark)
- monorepo (ish)
  - Contains 3<sup>rd</sup>-party code/FreeBSD/ONTAP code/unit-tests/build-scripts/test-code/test-tools
  - Can build from scratch, but most devs use incremental builds.
  - Managed by internal build system (bedrock)... One command can build everything.
  - Fully built workspaces snapshotted and available as a flexclone (~30 secs for a full client)
  - Every file has an owner





# DOT:dev - Life of a Change



### How do we keep it working?

- Known good points:
  - build-ok -> Change builds most variants & passes in-build unit-tests
    - Every 20 minutes
    - In-build unit-tests -> 33k CxxTest based ONTAP test-cases
  - cit-ok -> Change successfully passes all ~120 Continuous Integration Tests (CITs)
    - Every 3-hours
    - CITs -> Run for 2-hours, typically end-to-end ONTAP testing on VMs (vsims)
- Workspace (Client) pre-submission requirements
  - 'br make presubmit' -> build most variants, run all unit-tests
  - Source-2-test (S2T) -> run 6 CITs based on pending changes
  - Reviewboard



### When things go wrong: Bisect & Autoheal

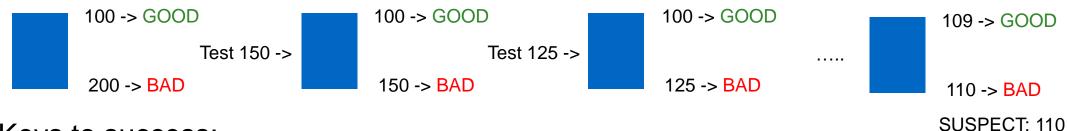
- Key Technologies: Bisect & Autoheal
  - Automatically find bad changes, and revert them from the line.
    - Bisect -> Find first change that broke build or CIT
    - Autoheal -> Apply 'p4 undo' to bad change, validate, submit
- Autoheal fundamental to maintaining + improving quality
  - Protected areas called 'autoheal-layer'
  - Autoheal-layer enables quality ratcheting
    - Add tool/test/sanitizer to autoheal layer, autoheal keeps it clean



### **Bisect** (details)

#### Bisect:

- 1. Run specific build/CIT on cadence.
- 2. When cadence fails, record the last known good change & first failure change
- 3. Pick a change in-between... see if it passes.
- 4. Update last-good/first-bad. Go to 3 until we've identified the SUSPECT change that causes a failure.



#### Keys to success:

- Minimize external dependencies... Or version them by a p4 change.
  - The same change should fail today and next week
- Run multiple tests in parallel.
- Premake clients at important changes. (before bisect needs them)



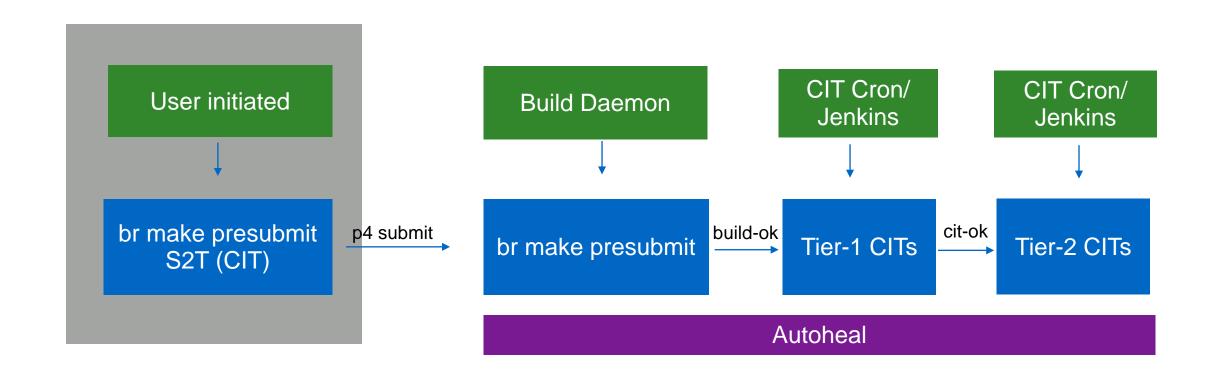
### Autoheal (details)

#### Autoheal

- Validation Is bisect right?:
  - Re-run at the first failed change, make sure it fails.
  - Re-run at head-of-line with SUSPECT change reverted, make sure it passes.
  - Validate: All changes before suspect change MUST pass, and all runs after suspect MUST fail.
- If yes... Submit the revert, and email the user & manager:
  - Change that was reverted and test that failed
  - Instructions to recreate the client, how to run the test.
- If no... Send message to Build/CIT team warning of intermittent error



### Regression Protection layers



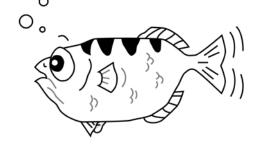


### 'br make presubmit' -> Build and much more

- wsget -> get a flex-cloned client <1 minute</p>
- br make presubmit (~10 minutes)
  - Enforce coding standard/static analysis: (fail if violated)
    - clang-format: require code in Netapp coding standard
    - include-what-you-use: remove unneeded includes
    - clang-tidy: validate C/C++ code
    - Python (pep8): passes clean
    - Man pages: missing commands?
    - Gdb macros: still work?

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- Compilation: (fail on warning)
  - Compile w/ aggressive Clang warnings



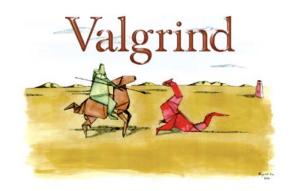


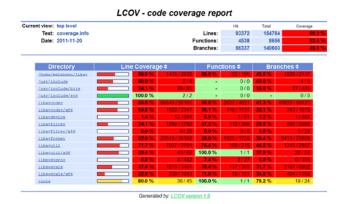


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- br make presubmit (~10 minutes)
  - Unit-test execution:
    - Run ~28k CxxTest-based linux unit-tests (<5 minute execution)</li>
    - Address sanitizer/Undefined sanitizer for all unit-tests
    - Valgrind for a subset of unit-tests
    - Thread sanitizer for a subset of unit-tests
  - Linux-based simulator testing (<5 min)</li>
    - Execute workflow tests on a pared-down version of ONTAP
  - Libfuzzer corpus execution (<5 min)</li>
    - Run checked-in corpus w/address sanitizer.
  - Code coverage (<5 min)</li>
    - Generate UT code coverage information (including coverage of pending change)









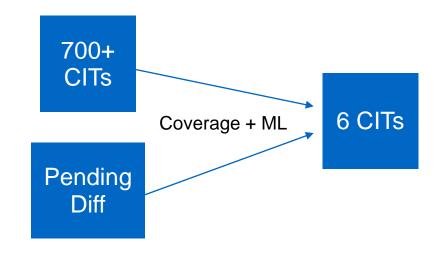
### Get Ready for Submission

- source-2-test (S2T)
  - Client diff + CIT coverage data -> pick 6 CITs to run
  - Coverage analysis algorithm + machine-learning
- Submit review to reviewboard

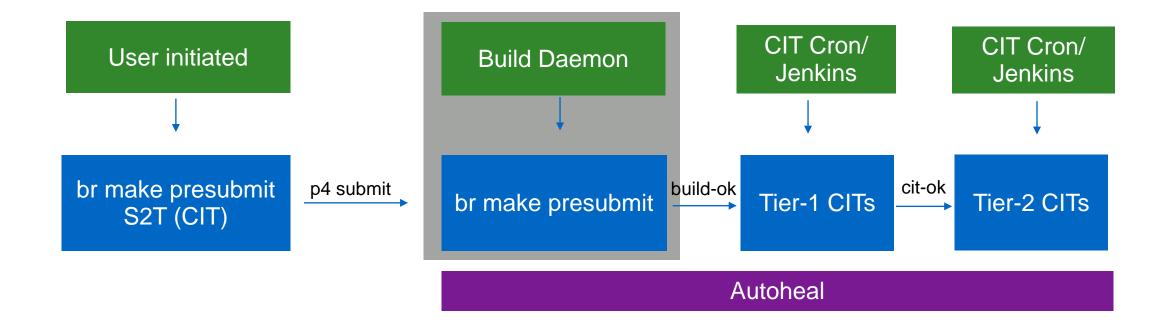


- p4 submit (w/Netapp additions)
  - Validates you've built the pending changes
  - Validates that S2T has passed
  - Checks for pending conflicting changes





### Regression Protection layers



### Post-submission: build-ok

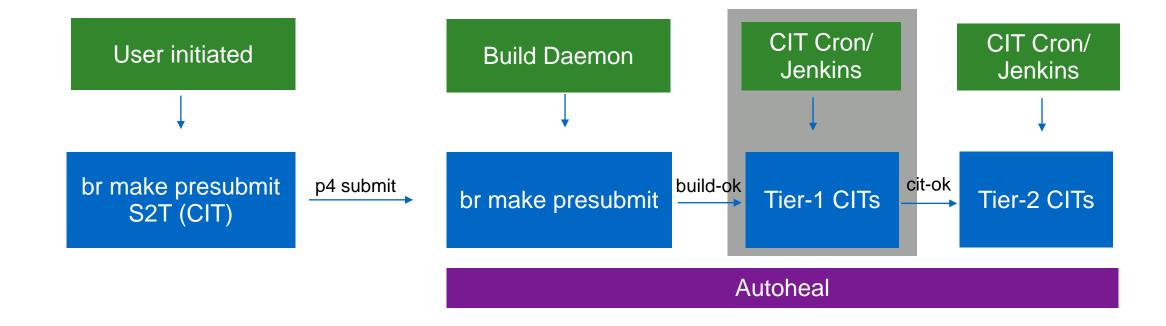
- Bammbamm daemons wake up and build change. (every 20 min)
  - If it passes 'br make presubmit', new ws\* snapshots are created, and the change is stamped 'build-ok'
  - If it fails, bisect is started.

#### • Autoheal:

- Automation bisects to detect which change broke the build.
- Once guilt is verified, automatically revert change from the line. (ie. Submit an inverse of the bad change)
- Email user about revert and how to reapply.
- Bammbamm daemon will sync forward to try again
  - If build @change passes, stamp change as 'build-ok'
  - Implications: wsget clients (which use build-ok) will always build AND in-build unit-tests will always pass.



### Regression Protection layers





### Post-submission: CITs (tier-1)

- Continuous integration tests (CITs)
  - ~120 2-hour tests -> tests ONTAP and OFFTAP in the smoke bubbles.
  - Mainly VSIM, with some HW.
  - Run every 3-hours on latest build-ok.
  - If all tier-1 CITs pass on a given change, the change is stamped 'cit-ok'

#### Autoheal for CITs

If any CITs fail, the offending change is bisected, and autohealed out of the line.

#### CITs

- Have strict requirements on intermittent failure rates. (<5%)</li>
- Require a dedicated sheriff, who must triage all failures. (+ mailing list named after cit)
- 24-hour operational support across multiple Netapp sites.
- If cit-ok isn't stamped within 24-hours, line is locked and fixed.



## CIT: Week at a glance (WAAG)

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### Your change hit cit-ok (email)

Hello user,

The CIT-OK marker on DOT:dev has moved from 4954128 to 4954794, and these recent change(s) of yours are now CIT-OK:

Change Number	Change Description	Burt Associated
14954359	1) Create a kernel version of ems_helpers. (Since almost all of the code is the same, I just recompile the same	1172664

This is not an absolute guarantee that your change(s) will not be reverted, but it is a good indication that it has not caused any serious issues.

Please consider using wstakechange for propagating your changes to other codelines.

E.g. To propagate change #11111 to DOT:Rfullsteam and run build/smoke tests for verification: wstakechange -c 11111 -d DOT:Rfullsteam -t build, smoke

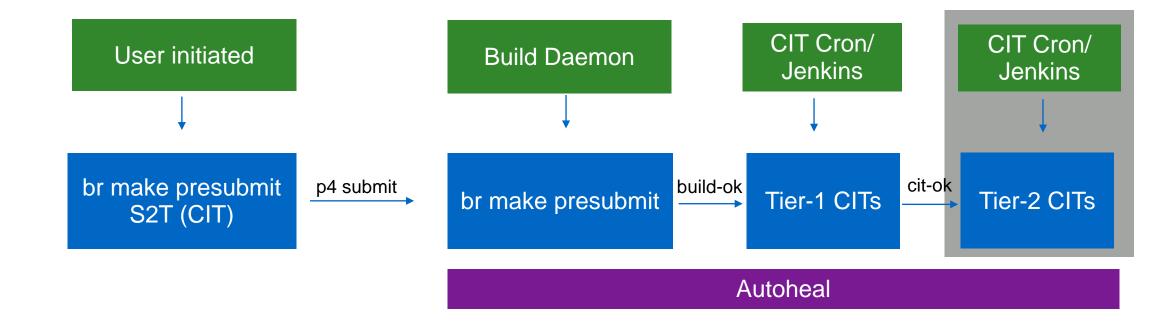
Alternatively, you can use "p4 take\_change -state auto -c new changenum" to bring these changes into applicable prior releases.

Regards,

Build Team



### Regression Protection layers

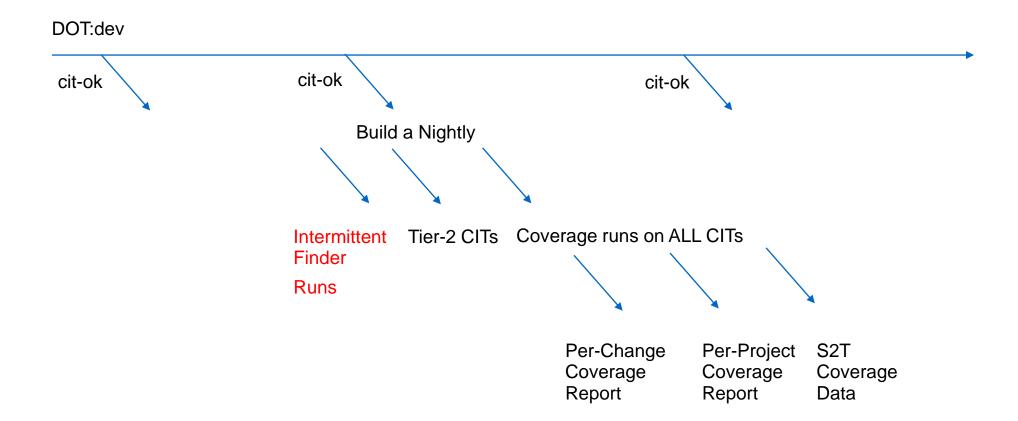


### Post-submission: CITs (tier-2)

- Tier-2 CITs run at lower cadence
  - ~525 tier-2 CITs
  - Follows all the requirements of CITs
  - Typically 'lower-risk' CITs. (higher-coverage tests are pushed to tier-1)
  - Runs daily on a cit-ok build.
- Failures are autohealed out of the line.
  - Bigger change range to bisect over, but will eventually be reverted. (a few days rather than hours)
  - Does NOT block cit-ok... so errors may linger longer and can be present in a cit-ok build.



### DOT:dev – Beyond cit-ok





### Driving out intermittent errors

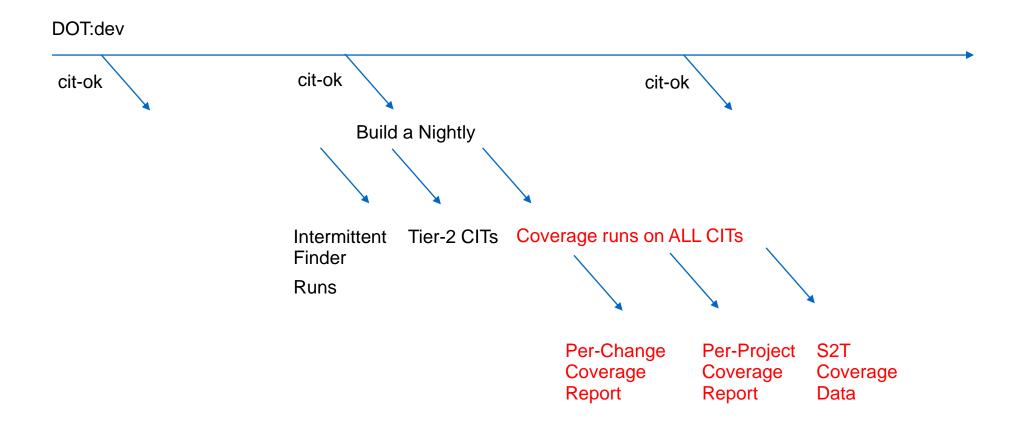
- Weekly: Run all tier-1 CITs 50X times on a cit-ok change.
  - This CIT passed at the given change, so....
  - Failures must be due to intermittent issues in infra, product or test code.
  - Regular runs help identify WHEN issues started to occur.
- Status tracked in summary page:
  - All failures must be triaged and driven out.

Intermittent Runs: Display results of last 1 \$ round(s) Go											
CIT Test	<u>4949120 (NA)</u>	Average Run Time for 4949120									
cit-adr	<u>v64d</u> <u>v64nd</u> <u>0%</u>	01:32:10									
cit-appdm	<u>v64d</u> <u>2%</u>	01:40:22									
cit-appdm-vvol	<u>v64d</u> 0%	01:14:47									
cit-c2c-cp-restart	<u>v64d</u> <u>2%</u>	01:14:10									

- Intermittent bisect:
  - Given a failure rate, a good & bad change, a CIT + test case,
  - We can track down which change introduced an intermittent error (within a given confidence level)



### DOT:dev – Beyond cit-ok





### Generate coverage data

- Coverage variants of every (650+) CIT are run on the latest nightly.
- Data is gathered from the filer, combined with the in-build unit-test coverage data
  - Post processed to be human readable. (~18+ hour process)
  - Post-processed to be machine readable for quick source-to-test (S2T) analysis.
- "Coverage in the autoheal layer" -> In-build UT + CIT tier-1 + CIT tier-2
  - Projects don't ship if they don't reach autoheal coverage targets.



### Per-Change/Per-Project Coverage Report

- Per-Change: Send developers reports on autoheal coverage of every submitted change.
- Per-Project: Aggregate coverage of all change for an ONTAP project into one report.
  - Each project has UT and Autoheal coverage goals.. Don't ship until hit.
  - Project reports are recalculated nightly with fresh code-coverage data:

#### LCOV - code coverage report

Current view: top level
Test: /x/eng/bbrtp-nightly/builds/DOT/devNightly/devN\_180708\_0746(autoheal)
Date: 2018-07-09 15:36:53
Hit Total Coverage
Lines: 3369 5948 56.6 %
Functions: 0 0

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<pre>apps/lib/libtimed_threadpool/src</pre>		100.0 %	1/1	-	0/0
<pre>cro_proxy/cro_proxy_mgwd/src</pre>		64.4 %	58 / 90	-	0/0
<pre>cro_proxy/cro_proxy_mgwd/src/tables</pre>		68.8 %	22 / 32	-	0/0
cro_proxy/cro_proxyd/src		42.3 %	721 / 1705	-	0/0



#### Go Faster -> Start Developing

- Problem: To submit code developers need a workspace
  - They want to go fast:
    - Quick access to a new workspace
    - Fully built: Enables incremental build of JUST their changes
    - From a known good point: must build and pass tests -> Don't waste time dealing with a bad change.
- The solution: ONTAP Snapshots & FlexClones
  - Continually build codeline: Sync to head-of-line, attempt build, and take a snapshot.
  - If builds pass, stamp that snapshot 'build-ok'
  - If tests pass, stamp that snapshot 'CIT-ok'
  - When developer needs a workspace, FlexClone the latest build-ok or cit-ok
- Does it work?
  - Quick access to a new workspace -> 1 minute for 10+ million lines of code.
  - Fully built: Enables incremental build of JUST their changes -> 300G client ✓
  - From a known good point -> Pick 'build-ok' or 'cit-ok'





### **ONTAP Engineering (After)**

- ONTAP in 2019: Did quality/cadence improve?
  - Customers needed:
    - New features to be delivered faster than every 3 years : ✓ New releases come out every 6-months
    - New features to work on the first release: ✓ All features must be protected by Autoheal to ship
    - Old features to keep working:
      UT/CIT kick-out changes which cause regressions
  - Engineers needed:
    - A codeline this isn't always broken ✓ Developing against cit-ok, means you have a good client.
    - An escape from the end-of-release "test-to-health" Testing + Autoheal means we never regress
    - A reliable way to test whether their changes work and didn't regress other features.
      Devs can run UT/CIT
    - A way to efficiently collaborate on features across groups and sites ✓ We're all in one branch.
  - Each subsequent ONTAP release becomes the highest quality ONTAP release
    - Disruption/Node count drops ever release
    - Continuous Delivery: We use cit-ok builds to run our CIT infrastructure





### CIT: Triage/Operation -> Jenkins

- Jenkins (stuck in the middle)
  - Clearing-house for CIT results.



- Blends into preexisting infrastructure
  - Preexisting processes -> trigger Jenkins jobs -> trigger other Preexisting processes.
  - Can spin up Jenkins instances/slaves in different test/compute environments.
- Jenkins gathers results, and allows for triage of each failure
  - Homegrown tools wrapped around Jenkins to make common triage easier.
  - Tooling created to automatically add new CITs

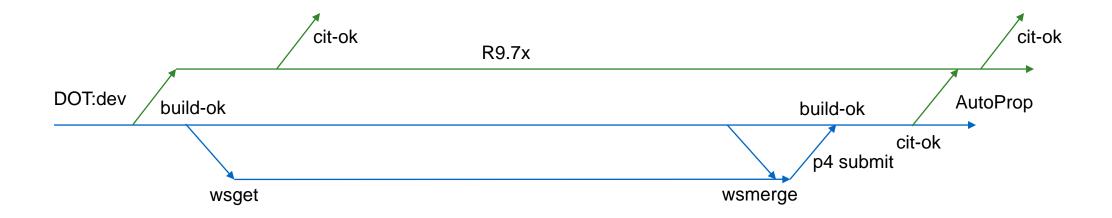


### What about shipping releases?

- Release branches hang off of DOT:dev
  - Release testing: focus on DOT:dev as long as possible
  - Release fixes submitted to DOT:dev first
    - Put high risk in the development branch.
    - DOT:dev is often more strict (because quality gates show up there first.)
    - Changes that pass in DOT:dev are pulled back.
  - Every change: May request propagation to release branches.
    - Hit cit-ok -> individual changes are automatically propagated back (auto-prop)
    - Any future reverts of those changes are ALSO auto-proped back.
  - Release branches run CITs as well, but at a reduced cadence.



# DOT:dev - Life of a Change (Release)





### Your change hit cit-ok

- Autoprop starts
  - Requested changes are applied to release branch client.
  - If it can be applied and builds, it is submitted.
  - If not, user-gets an email with details and manual instructions about how to take it.



#### Go Faster -> Eject Bad Changes

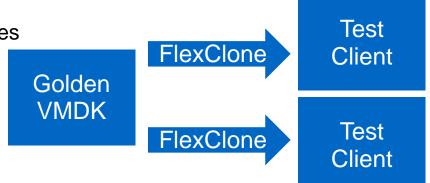
- Problem: Remove bad changes as fast as possible
  - Autoheal automation needs to run test against changes between last good and first fail.
    - Have instant access to all prebuilt changes in good/bad range.
    - May need to build missing variants

- Broken Codeline Test Revert Codeline
- The solution: ONTAP Snapshots & FlexClones
  - Continually build codeline: Sync to every new change, make build, and take a snapshot.
  - All changes on the codeline are prebuilt for testing.
  - When autoheal needs to test a change, it flexclones the snapshot at the given spot, and starts testing.
- Does it work?
  - Have instant access prebuilt changes in good/bad range -> All changes are available after ~1 minute clone
  - May need to build missing variants -> Flexclones can diverge after creation, so additional variants are built as needed



#### Go Faster -> Provide Consistent Test Environment

- Problem: VMs used for testing need to be consistent and clean
  - Testers spin up and use Virtual Linux/Win Clients and virtual ONTAP instances
    - Bring hosts to known good state
    - Client configuration identical for all test runs
    - Testers can modify local instance if needed
- The solution: NFS, ONTAP Snapshots & FlexClones
  - Host VMDKs on cluster over NFS
  - Create golden VM with minimally viable packages
  - Allocate Flexcloned VM image when test starts
  - Allow user to modify VM, but 'snapshot restore' to known good state when test done.
- Does it work?
  - Bring hosts to known good state -> Snap restore erases any changes a test may make
  - Client configuration identical for all test runs -> Consistent configuration deployed from golden
  - Testers can modify local instance if needed -> It is safe since all changes are erased at test end.





#### Go Faster -> Provide Consistent Tools across the globe

- Problem: Consistent version of tools needed for multiple development sites.
  - A consistent tool chain needs to be deployed across multiple sites across the globe.
    - All sites need a local copy of tools.
    - Changes must be deployed quickly.
    - If things don't go well, quickly roll back to previous versions must be possible.
    - Engineers can't modify deployed tools.

Tools Repo SunnyVale SnapMirror

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- The solution: ONTAP Snapmirror and Snapshots
  - Source contains snapshotted version of tools to deploy. (Some deployed weekly, some every 5 minutes)
  - Tools are read-only snapmirrored to sites around the global (by default latest version is in production)
  - Local admins can quickly rollback to previous versions if necessary
- Does it work?
  - All sites need a local copy of tools -> Snapmirror deploys changes to each sites
  - Changes must be deployed quickly -> Snapmirror only pushes the changes.
  - If things don't go well, quickly roll back to previous versions must be possible -> Easy to rollback to previous versions.
  - Engineers can't modify deployed tools -> Snapmirrors are read-only.



#### Go Faster -> Undo the disaster

- Problem: Rogue scripts/users may accidentally corrupt infrastructure
  - Labs are fairly open environments, but user error can impact infrastructure
    - Give generous permissions to tools/tests.
    - In case of disaster recover quickly.
- The solution: ONTAP Snapshots
  - Put important configuration on volumes with (read-only) snapshots.
  - In case of corruption/deletion, move infrastructure back to known working point.
- Does it work?
  - Give generous permissions to tools/tests -> Although the latest copy can be changed, snapshots remain read-only.
  - In case of disaster recover quickly -> In case of corruption, snapshots mined or rolled back to working versions.

