

# Continuously deliver your puppet code with jenkins, r10k and git

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# Agenda

- ▶ A short story about configuration management
- ▶ What is continuous delivery
- ▶ Tools used to achieve continuous delivery
- ▶ DEMO
- ▶ Things to improve

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WHY????

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- ▶ Every system was a special case

So whats our solution?

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# The deployment pipeline



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# CONTINUOUS DELIVERY

RELIABLE SOFTWARE RELEASES THROUGH BUILD,  
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# Tools to build a deployment pipeline

# Jenkins

- ▶ Jenkins is an Open Source continuous integration server
- ▶ It's purpose is to execute and monitor jobs
- ▶ Jobs are shell scripts or any other thing that's executable and returns 0 on success
- ▶ You can link jobs together, thats our pipeline
- ▶ Many plugins available to extend Jenkins (e.g. git, build-pipeline, monitor)



# Jenkins II

## Build Pipeline



# Monitoring with Jenkins



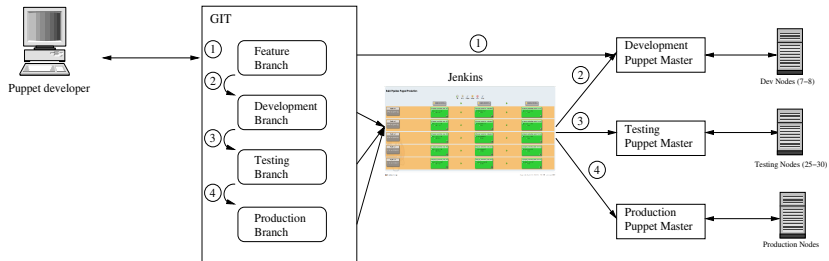
# GIT

- ▶ One central repository managed with gitolite (access control for git) for internal modules
- ▶ 3 main branches
  - ▶ development
  - ▶ testing
  - ▶ production
- ▶ feature branches for new site local modules
- ▶ hiera data is in the same repository

# GIT repository layout

- ▶ modules/: where r10k stores external (forge, github) modules
- ▶ site/: site local modules, that we do not want to share
- ▶ hiera/: our hiera yaml files
- ▶ Puppetfile: config file for r10k that specifies which external modules we need

# GIT workflow



- ① Features Branches get automatically created on Puppet Master (Dynamic Environments)
- ② Development Branch gets deployed on commit via Jenkins
- ③ Testing Branch gets deployed via GIT tag  
pushing to testing triggers a deployment
- ④ Production Branch gets deployed via GIT tag  
pushing to production triggers a deployment

It's all the same for Hiera yaml files!

- ▶ a tool to deploy puppet environments and modules
- ▶ every git branch gets deploy to a puppet environment
- ▶ in the current version (1.3.2) dependencies have to be managed manually

# Example Puppetfile

```
1  forge 'forge.puppetlabs.com'

3  mod 'puppetlabs/ntp', '3.1.2'
   mod 'puppetlabs/postgresql', '3.4.2'
5  mod 'puppetlabs/stdlib', '4.3.2'
   mod 'puppetlabs/firewall', '1.1.3'
7  mod 'puppetlabs/apache', '1.1.1'
   mod 'puppetlabs/lvm', '0.3.2'
9  mod 'nosolutions/tsm', '0.2.2'
   mod 'saz/sudo', '3.0.6'
11 mod 'spiette/selinux', '0.5.4'

13 mod 'concat',
    :git => 'https://github.com/puppetlabs/puppetlabs-concat',
15   :commit => 'feba3096c99502219043b8161bde299ba65e7b8a'
```

You are able to pin to a git tag / branch / commit hash

## a word on testing

- ▶ you must have unit tests for your puppet code: **rspec-puppet**
- ▶ for acceptance tests there's puppetlabs/beaker
- ▶ you need to test everything to get most out of the build pipeline
- ▶ we test
  - ▶ internal puppet modules
  - ▶ hiera data
  - ▶ puppet configuration
  - ▶ all internal modules are required to have rspec tests



## samplemodule/manifests/init.pp

```
1 class samplemodule ( $message = 'defaultmessage' ) {  
    notify { 'samplemessage':  
3      message => "This is the sample module, my message is: $message",  
    }  
5 }
```

## samplemodule/spec/classes/samplemodules\_spec.rb

```
1 require 'spec_helper'  
  
3 describe 'samplemodule', :type => :class do  
    context 'with default parameters' do  
5      it { should contain_notify('samplemessage') }  
    end  
7 end
```

# DEMO

# Things to improve

- ▶ We need more test Systems (Centos/RHEL/Solaris)
- ▶ We need more acceptance tests
- ▶ Puppetlabs should package beaker as a rpm/deb whatever, gems suck in production

Thanks for you attention!