

edX Load Tests

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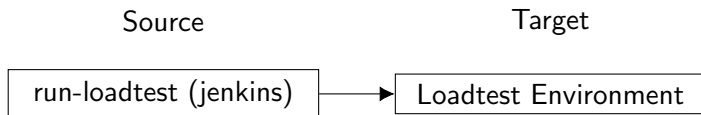
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- ▶ If you want, during a load test you could login from a browser.

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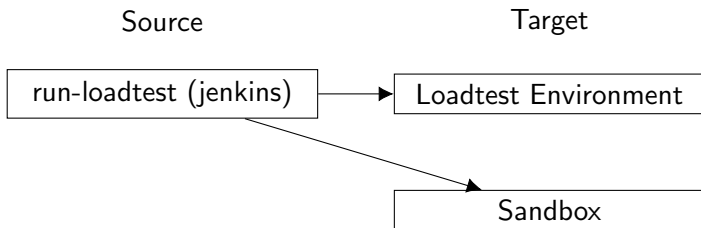
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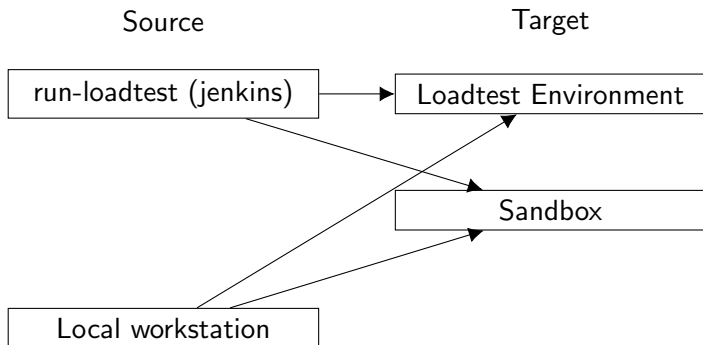
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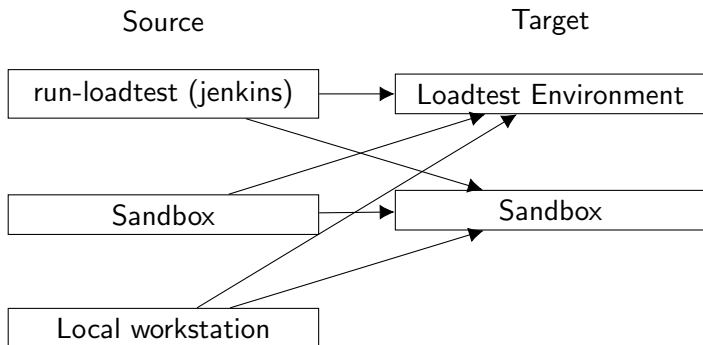
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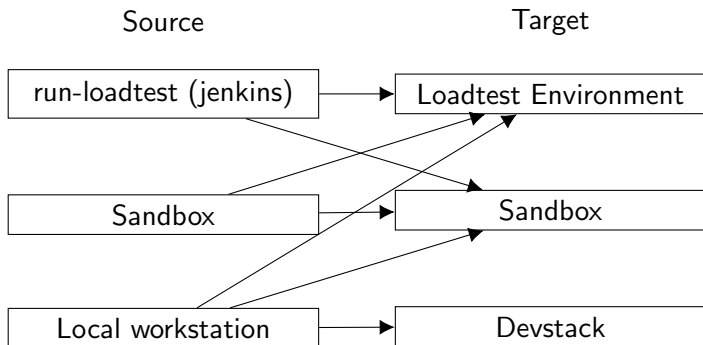
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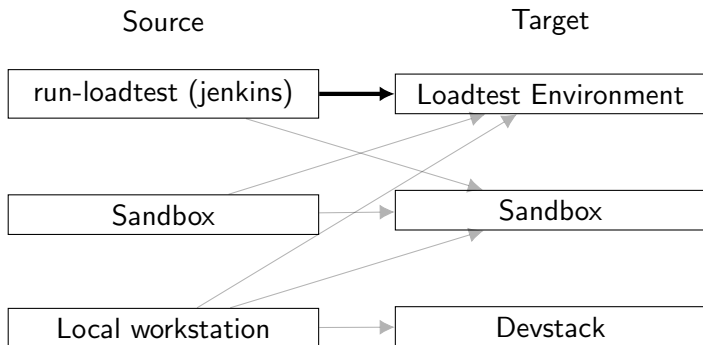
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- ▶ New endpoints will need to be added as new tasks.

For fun: Real browser load testing

- ▶ `pip install realbrowserlocusts`, then subclass `PhantomJSLocust` in your locustfile.
- ▶ Could make certain tests more realistic (AJAX calls actually happen).
- ▶ Potentially far more resource intensive on the client side