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# Beginners guide to continuous integration

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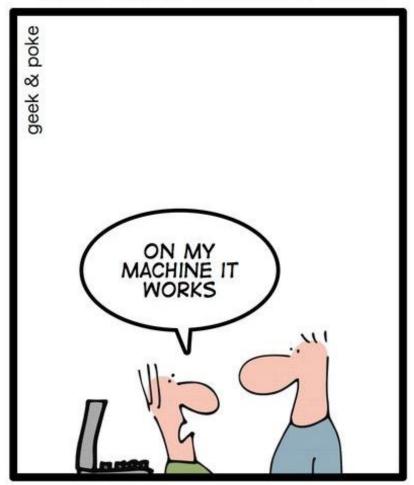
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JUST IN CASE YOU'RE STILL NOT SURE WHETHER YOU'RE IN A SOFTWARE PROJECT

#### WAIT UNTIL YOU HEAR THIS:



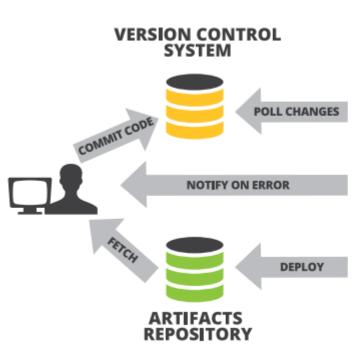
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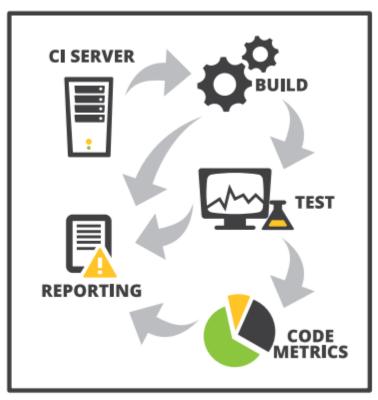
Continuous Integration is a software development practice of performing software integration frequently...several times a day, in fact. Ideally, your software application or system should be built automatically after each commit into a shared version control repository.

Upon each successful build, the system integrity should be verified using automated tests that cover if not all, then at least most of the functionality. If some tests fail, the developer responsible is notified instantly and the problem can be identified and solved quickly.

Using this approach, you can deliver working and reliable code to the customer much faster, while also mitigating the risk of releasing unstable, buggy software to your users.

#### define:continuous integration





#### 5 steps to continuous integration

Source code repository

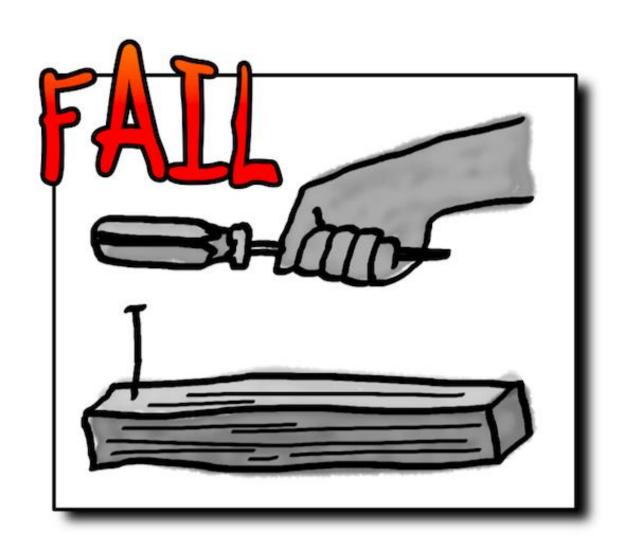
Build automation

Cl server setup

Automated deployment

Automated tests

## Use the right tools



#### Step 1 : Source code repository

- Keeps track of every change in your codebase
- Using homegrown solution can be challenging in a continuous integration environment
- Lots of tools on the market: CVS, Subversion, Mercurial, Perforce, BitKeeper, Roundtable...

 Side note: in case you don't know about distributed code repositories, have a look at <a href="http://www.hginit.com">http://www.hginit.com</a> for a good introduction

#### Step 1 : Source code repository

- If you can generate something, don't store it in your SCM
  - It will be part of your build script
- Separate requirements and dependencies
  - OpenEdge is a requirement, pdf\_include is a dependency
- Don't forget database versioning
- Commit as much as possible, using branches if necessary
- Associate a bugtracker to your SCM

Architect / Developer Studio / AppBuilder ARE
 NOT build tools

- Just after checking out source code, a single command line should be enough to generate a standalone binary
- Common build tools are: Makefiles, shell scripts, Ant, Maven, Gradle...

- Looking for something stable, flexible and portable across platforms? Use Ant!
- Ant is an open-source product to deal with software builds
- XML based syntax, and provides lots of standard tasks
- PCT (Progress Compilation Toolkit) is an opensource extension to deal with the OpenEdge environment

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<PCTCreateBase dbName="ged" destDir="${db}"
    codepage="utf" schemaFile="db/schema1.df,db/schema2.df"
    structFile="db/struct.st" blockSize="4"
    dlcHome="${DLC}" />

<PCTRun procedure="src/initDb.p" paramFile="conf/param.pf"
        dlcHome="${DLC}" cpstream="utf-8">
        <DBConnection dbName="ged" dbDir="${db}" singleUser="yes" />
        <DBConnection dbName="cust" dbDir="${db}" singleUser="yes" />
        <PCTRun>
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<PCTCompile destDir="${build}" graphicalMode="true" dlcHome="${DLC}"
    md5="false" minSize="false" cpstream="iso8859-15"
    inputChars="16384" debugListing="true">
    <fileset dir="src/core" includes="**/*.p,**/*.w" />
    <fileset dir="src/module1" includes="**/*.p,**/*.w" />
    <fileset dir="src/oo" includes="**/*.cls" />
    <PCTConnection dbName="ged" dbDir="${db}" />
    <PCTConnection dbName="cust" dbDir="${db}" />
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```

#### Step 3 : Cl server setup

- Many products, but same functionalities
  - Define and trigger jobs
  - Store deliverables (and keep history)
  - Make them easily accessible
  - Keep users informed of build result
- Choosing a Cl server :
  - Free or not
  - Integration with your tools
  - Plugins

#### Step 3 : Cl server setup

- Cruise control
- Hudson / Jenkins
- Teamcity (JetBrains)
- Bamboo (Atlassian)

#### Step 3 : Cl server setup

- Always use a clean server
- Use distributed jobs
- Define a job for every product and every environment (branches / clones)
- Keep deliverables only for production jobs.
   Keep only a dozen for integration
- Only send alerts for failures!

#### Step 4: Automate deployment

Use only what has been generated during the build process

Always deploy to a clean server

 Every deliverable generated by the CI server should be deployed

#### Step 4: Automate deployment

- Available in VMWare ESX
- Clones, snapshots and remote execution are your friends!
- Define clean VM for every target OS
- Define snapshots to be able to improve configuration
- New clone for a new job
- Remote execution to execute deployment

#### Step 5 : tests

- Unit testing
- User interface testing
- API testing
- Regression testing
- Load testing
- Security testing

#### Demo











### Questions?



- Ant : <a href="http://ant.apache.org">http://ant.apache.org</a>
- PCT : <a href="http://code.google.com/p/pct">http://code.google.com/p/pct</a>
- Jenkins : <a href="http://jenkins-ci.org">http://jenkins-ci.org</a>

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