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Jenkins pipelines

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Introduction

- Who am I
 - Pierre-Henri Symoneaux
 - Nokia France
 - SW architecture & development (Cloud Core for 5G Mobile Networks)
- The topic
 - Problems of « classical » Jenkins
 - Jenkins pipelines: What, why and how
 - Based on feedback from real usage

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Jenkins

A quick reminder

What is Jenkins

- An open-source automation server
- Extensible with hundreds of plugins
- Distributed – Jobs (may) run in slaves
- Build, test, package, deploy. Automate anything
- Mainly used in software industry
 - Continuous Integration (CI)
 - Continuous Delivery (CD)
 - DevOps
- But not only



-  Job Config History
-  Open Blue Ocean
-  Job Import Plugin
-  Identifiants
-  New View

File d'attente des constructions -

File d'attente des constructions vide

État du lanceur de compilations -

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1 Au repos

 **Slave-1**

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 **Slave-10**

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 **Slave-2**

1 Au repos

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DEV		Docker	Tous	Experiments	+		
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		Legacy_Jobs	s. o.	s. o.	ND	☆	/ passed 
		[redacted]	1 mn 13 s - log	s. o.	4.9 s	 ☆	/ passed 
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		[redacted].Docker-images-reference-build	1 mo. 12 j - #156	1 mo. 13 j - #154	1 mn 53 s	 ☆	
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		[redacted]-INT-BasicTest	10 mo. - #6	11 mo. - #4	37 mn	★	17 / 17 passed 
		[redacted]	s. o.	s. o.	ND	 ☆	
		[redacted]-INT-launchCbamVnf-IPstatic	16 j - log	s. o.	2.6 s	 ☆	/ passed 

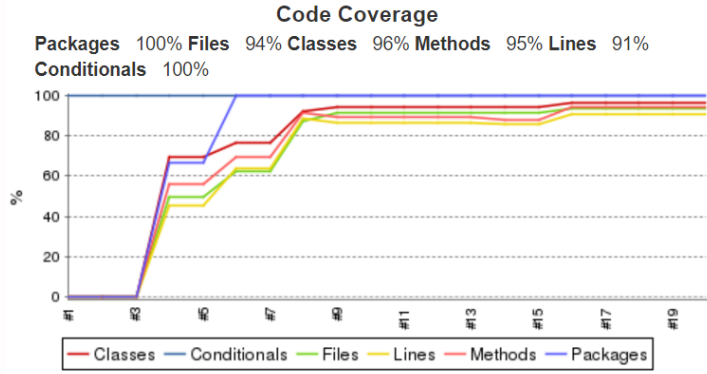
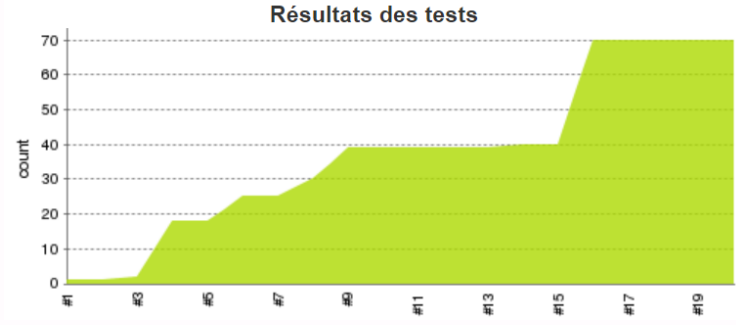


Last Successful Artifacts

#20	19 sept. 2018 09:44			
#19	14 sept. 2018 18:04			
#18	13 sept. 2018 12:22			
#17	13 sept. 2018 10:25			
#16	12 sept. 2018 10:39			
#15	7 sept. 2018 12:35			
#14	7 sept. 2018 10:05			

- [ves-agent](#)
- [ves-agent-master-20_x86_64.rpm](#)
- [ves-agent.exe](#)
- [ves-simu](#)
- [ves-simu.exe](#)

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Jenkins – The “old” way

And its issues

Freestyle jobs – the « old » way

- Jobs are fully defined in Jenkins web-UI
 - Input Parameters
 - Triggers / scheduling
 - Scripts
 - Post actions (archive artefacts, publish results & graphs)
 - More ...

Paramètre texte [X]

Name [?]

Default Value [?]

Description [?]
[Safe HTML] [Prévisualisation](#)

Planning

Exécuter un script shell [X] [?]

Commande

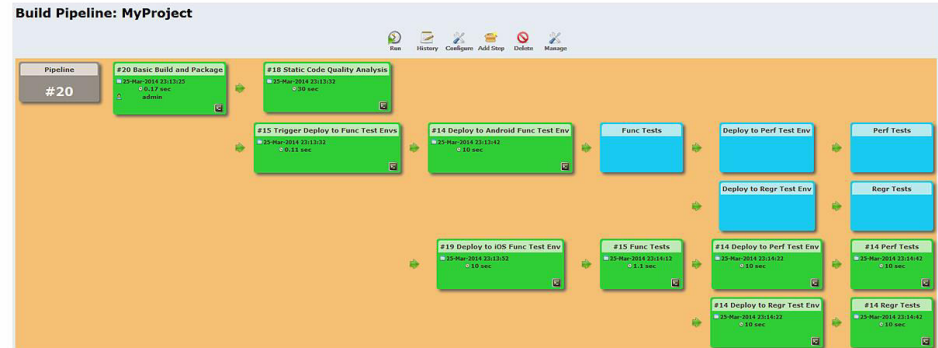
```
echo "Running script"
echo "MY_JOB_PARAMETER : ${MY_JOB_PARAMETER}"
echo "end of script"
```


Problems

- As a job grows, it will become
 - Hard to maintain
 - Hard to understand
 - Hard to troubleshoot
- Hard to track changes in a job
- Cannot review changes in a job before applying
- What if many people perform changes at the same time
- Cannot replay an old job

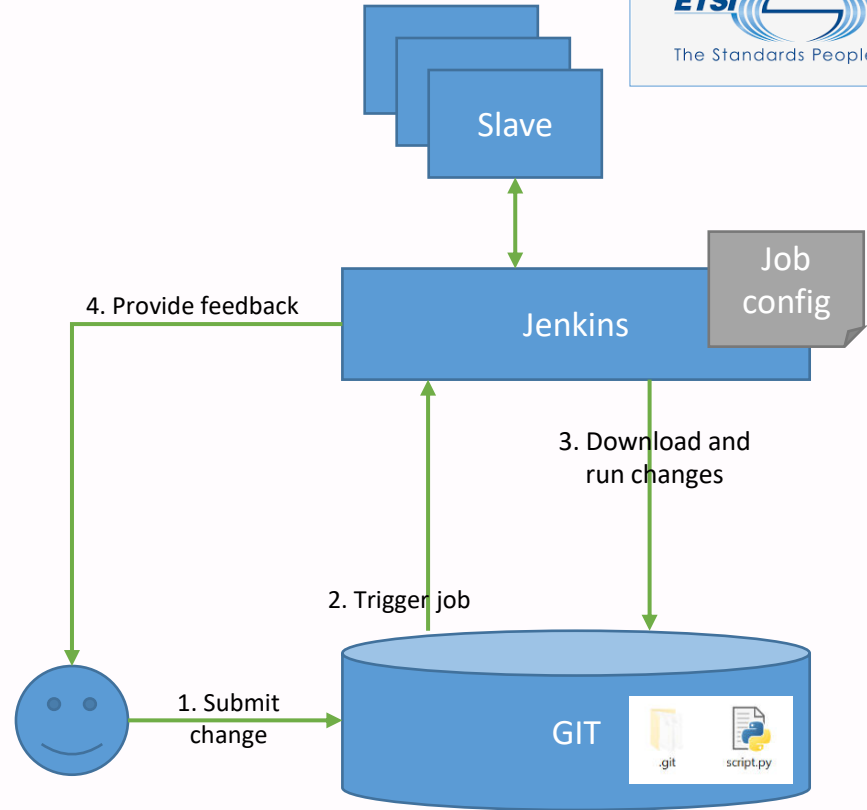
Multijob Pipelines – the « old » way

- Split work into multiple jobs
 - Jobs trigger each other
 - Introduce dependencies between job
 - Better view on each steps
- Problems
 - Increased complexity (hard to maintain)
 - Tracking jobs definition changes is even harder



Integration with SCM

- Most of the time, Jenkins is coupled with an SCM (GIT, SVN, ...)
 - To store tested code
 - To store testing code
 - Both together
- New changes in SCM can trigger a job
- Keep track of changes in scripts
- Changes can be reviewed before integration



Integration with SCM

Add SCM configuration

The screenshot shows the 'Gestion de code source' (Source Code Management) configuration page in Jenkins. It is set to 'Git'. Under 'Repositories', the 'Repository URL' is 'git@gitlab: <redacted>:/UCAAT.git' and 'Credentials' is 'jenkins (Jenkins-gitlab)'. There is an 'Ajouter' button and an 'Avancé...' link. Under 'Branches to build', the 'Branch Specifier (blank for 'any')' is set to '*/master'.

Add new trigger: Poll SCM for changes

The screenshot shows the trigger configuration section. The 'Poll SCM' checkbox is checked. Below it, the 'Planning' section is visible with the text 'H/2 * * * *'.

Update script to use files from SCM

The screenshot shows a Jenkins job step titled 'Exécuter un script shell'. The 'Commande' field contains the following script:

```
echo "Running script"  
echo "MY_JOB_PARAMETER : ${MY_JOB_PARAMETER}"  
echo "end of script"
```

Becomes

The screenshot shows the updated Jenkins job step. The 'Commande' field now contains:

```
echo "Running job"  
python ./script.py --param "${MY_JOB_PARAMETER}"  
echo "End of job"
```

Problems

- Old version can be re-executed: But only with current job definition
- Job definition still in Jenkins
- What if breaking changes are introduced
 - Eg: `python ./script.py --param ${...} --newparam ${...}`
 - Or a new script is invoked
 - Job needs an update
 - Cannot run old versions anymore (incompatibility introduced)
- What about execution environment ? (eg: migrate from python 2.7 to python 3.6)

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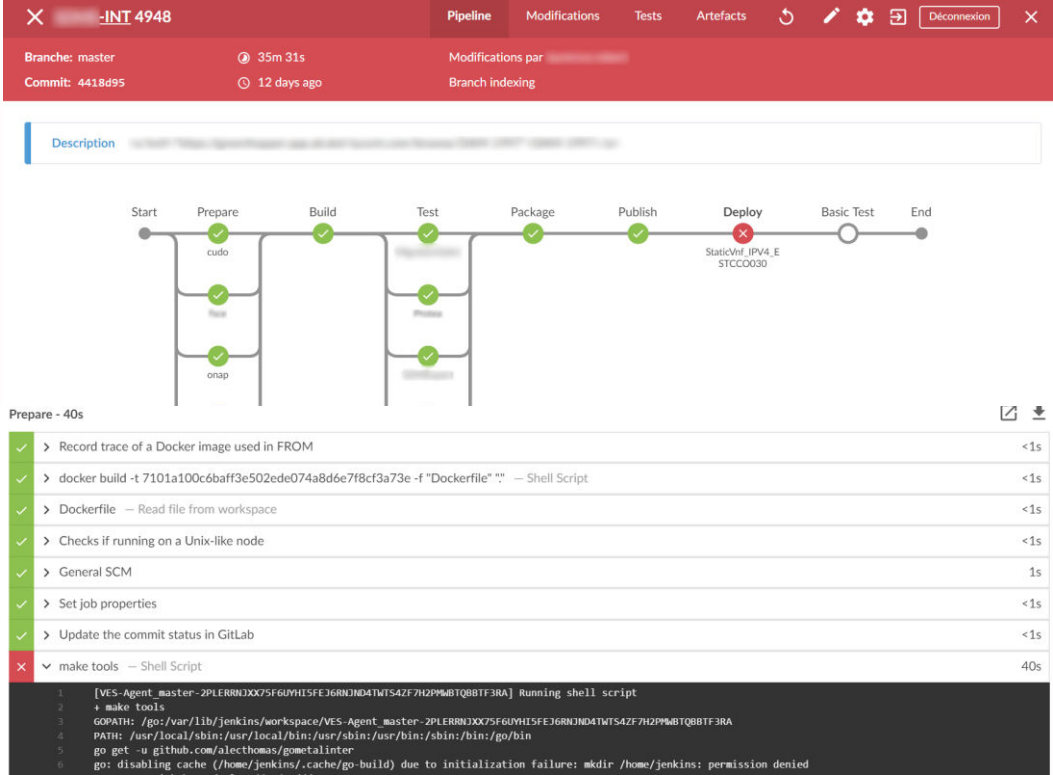


Jenkins Blue Ocean

A new way to write pipeline

What is Blue Ocean

- A Jenkins plugin
- Appeared in 2016 – Still in early stage
- Rethinks user experience
 - New UI (classical UI still available)
 - New syntax: The whole job is a script
 - Pipeline graphical editor
- Designed for pipelines
 - Sophisticated pipeline visualization
 - Pinpoint precision
- CI / CD as code
- Modular with shared pipeline libraries
- First class integration with Docker



The screenshot shows a Jenkins pipeline view for job '-INT 4948'. The pipeline consists of several stages: Start, Prepare, Build, Test, Package, Publish, Deploy, Basic Test, and End. The 'Deploy' stage is marked with a red 'X', indicating a failure. Below the pipeline graph, the console output for the 'Prepare' stage is visible, showing successful steps for Docker image recording, building, and SCM updates, followed by a failed 'make tools' step.

```

Prepare - 40s
[+] > Record trace of a Docker image used in FROM <-1s
[+] > docker build -t 7101a100c6baff3e502ede074a8d6e7f8cf3a73e -f "Dockerfile" "*" -- Shell Script <-1s
[+] > Dockerfile -- Read file from workspace <-1s
[+] > Checks if running on a Unix-like node <-1s
[+] > General SCM 1s
[+] > Set job properties <-1s
[+] > Update the commit status in GitLab <-1s
[-] > make tools -- Shell Script 40s
1 [VES-Agent_master-2PLERRN3X75F6UYH15FE36RNJND4TWS4ZF7H2PM5BQB8TF3RA] Running shell script
2 + make tools
3 GOPATH: /go:/var/lib/jenkins/workspace/VES-Agent_master-2PLERRN3X75F6UYH15FE36RNJND4TWS4ZF7H2PM5BQB8TF3RA
4 PATH: /usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/go/bin
5 go get -u github.com/alecthomas/gometalinter
6 go: disabling cache (/home/jenkins/.cache/go-build) due to initialization failure: mkdir /home/jenkins: permission denied
    
```


Jenkins Pipelines Administration ↗ Déconnexion

-INT Activité Branches Pull requests

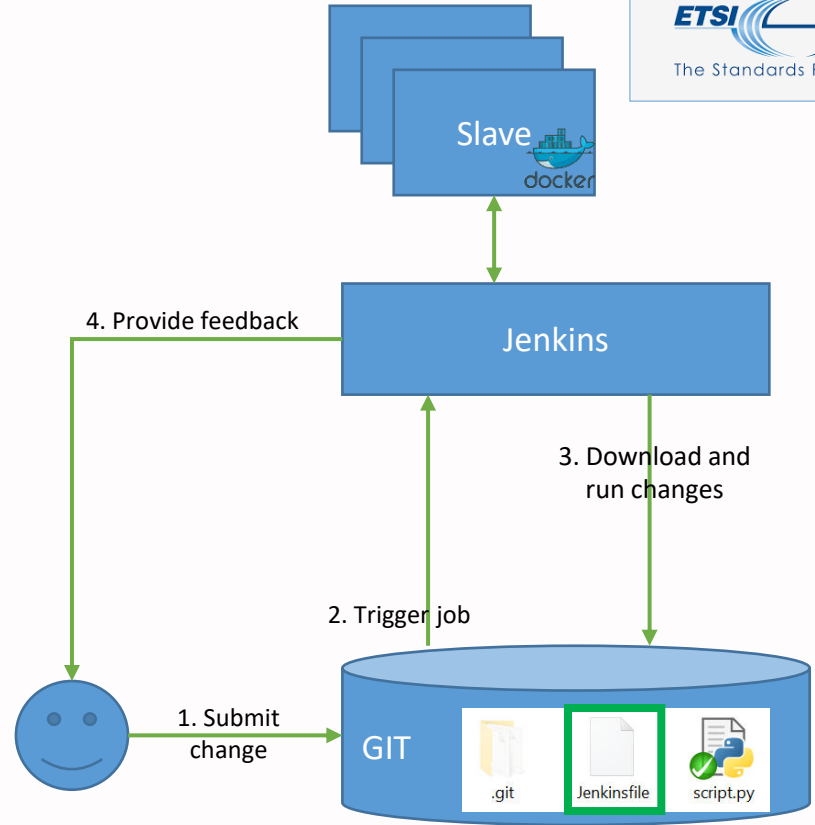
ÉTAT	RUN	COMMIT	BRANCHE	MESSAGE	DURÉE	TERMINÉ	
	4956	5c8d972	master	[blurred]	1h 57m 59s	2 hours ago	
	4955	9542d13	master	[blurred]	36m 6s	a day ago	
	4954	921a87f	master	[blurred]	2h 1m 25s	5 days ago	
	4953	d59b7d4	master	[blurred]	1h 58m 39s	5 days ago	
	4952	a5accb0	master	[blurred]	1h 45m 30s	7 days ago	
	4951	2540427	master	[blurred]	2h 4m 55s	8 days ago	

Classical Jenkins UI is also updated

	Declarative: Checkout SCM	Prepare	Build	Test	Package	Publish	Deploy	Basic Test	Declarative: Post Actions
Average stage times: (Average full run time: ~1h 57min)	33s	18s	9min 14s	2min 42s	24min 40s	4min 46s	48min 25s	140ms	27s
#4956 Sep 19 11:03 2 commits	40s	17s	9min 36s	2min 45s	29min 52s	4min 59s	1h 9min	231ms	41s
#4955 Sep 18 11:56 1 commit	33s	17s	8min 39s	2min 40s	19min 4s	4min 33s	10s failed	203ms failed	4s
#4954 Sep 14 1 1	35s	17s	10min 4s	2min 45s	32min 56s	4min 42s	1h 9min	185ms	40s

Pipeline as code

- With blue ocean, Job/Pipeline definition is also stored in SCM
- Pipeline can run in a dedicated Docker container
- Each Git branch will automatically have its own job



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Jenkins Blue Ocean

Creating a pipeline

Setting up the pipeline

- Install **blueocean** plugin
- Create a new job
 - Choose type of job
 - Pipeline
 - Multibranch Pipeline
- Let's choose Multibranch Pipeline



Pipeline

Orchestrates long-running activities that can span multiple build slaves. Suitable for building pipelines (formerly known as workflows) and/or organizing complex activities that do not easily fit in free-style job type.



Multibranch Pipeline

Creates a set of Pipeline projects according to detected branches in one SCM repository.

Setting up the pipeline

- Setup source SCM with branch discovery
- Setup branch scanning

- Set path to pipeline file
- Prepare your Jenkinsfile
- Commit and push it to SCM

Scan Multibranch Pipeline Triggers

Build whenever a SNAPSHOT dependency is built

Periodically if not otherwise run

Interval

[URLTrigger] - Poll with a URL

Build Configuration

Mode

Script Path

Branch Sources

Git

Project Repository

Credentials

Behaviours

Discover branches

Property strategy

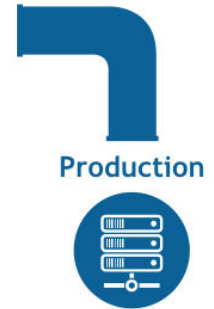
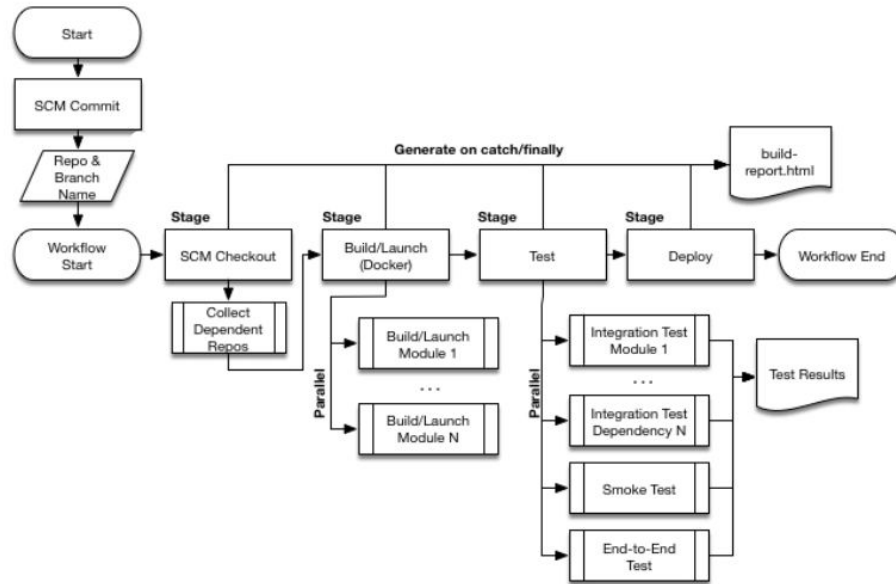
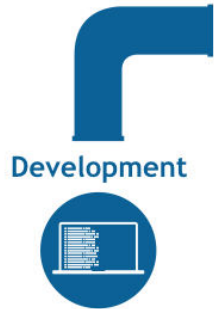
Jenkinsfile is the default name



The Jenkinsfile

- A text file
- Checked into SCM
- Declarative pipeline syntax
- DSL base on Groovy language
- Structure documented at <https://jenkins.io/doc/book/pipeline/syntax/>
- A single source of truth for the pipeline
 - Can be viewed and edited by multiple members of the project

Anatomy of a pipeline



Structure of a Jenkinsfile

- A Jenkinsfile has 6 main sections
 - **Agent** : Specifies where the entire pipeline will run
 - **Options** : Global options
 - **Parameters**: Input parameters
 - **Environment** : Global environment variables
 - **Stages** : Sequence of stage definitions
 - **Post** : Steps to be run at the end of pipeline

```
pipeline {
  agent {/*...*/}
  options {
    timeout(time: 1, unit: 'HOURS')
    retry(3)
  }
  parameters {
    string(name: 'MY_JOB_PARAMETER',
           defaultValue: '<NONE>',
           description: 'Job parameter'
          )
  }
  environment {
    MY_ENV_VARIABLE = "foobar"
  }
  stages {/*...*/}
  post {/*...*/}
}
```

Agent

- Defines where to run the pipeline
 - In any slave
 - In a slave with a given label
 - In docker container
 - Either from an image
 - Or built from a Dockerfile
- Docker makes managing running environments a piece of cake

```
agent any

agent {
    label "slave-with-python2.7"
}

agent {
    docker {
        image: "python:2.7"
    }
}

agent {dockerfile true}
```

Post

- Perform steps at end of pipeline
 - Archive artifacts
 - Publish result
 - Send an email
 - Etc ...
- Actions can be conditioned by pipeline status
 - Always
 - Changed
 - Fixed
 - Regression
 - Aborted
 - Failure
 - Success
 - Unstable
 - Cleanup

```
post {  
  always {  
    archive "build/*.exe"  
    deleteDir()  
  }  
  failure {  
    echo "Failure"  
  }  
  success {  
    echo "Success"  
  }  
  unstable {  
    echo "Unstable"  
  }  
}
```

Stages

- Each stage has either
 - A sequence of steps
 - A list of parallel stages
- Can have conditional switch
- Can have their own environment variables
- Can have their own agent

```
stages {
  stage("Stage-1") {
    steps {
      echo "Welcome in stage 1"
      sh "python script.py"
      sh "./script.sh"
    }
  }
  stage('Stage-2') {
    when {
      branch "master"
    }
    environment {
      MY_VARIABLE = "My-Value"
    }
    parallel {
      stage("Sub-stage-1") {
        steps {
          echo "sub stage 1"
        }
      }
      stage("Sub-stage-2") {
        steps {
          echo "sub stage 2"
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

Steps

- A step is a single action
- Jenkins plugins come with their own steps
- Run sequentially in a stage
- Each step has its log output
- Full list available at <https://jenkins.io/doc/pipeline/steps/>

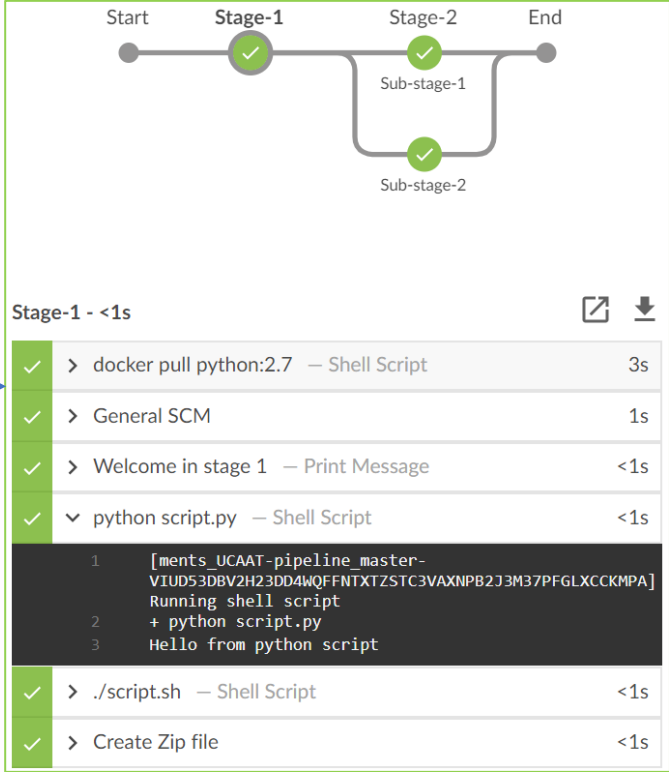
```
steps {
    addBadge icon: 'computer.png', text: env.NODE_NAME
    echo "Welcome in stage 1"
    sh "python script.py"
    sh "./script.sh"
    zip zipFile: "compressed.zip", dir: "."
}
```

```
post {
    always {
        junit "build/testresults.xml"
        checkstyle pattern: 'build/checkstyle.xml'
        cobertura coberturaReportFile: 'build/coverage.xml'
        sloccountPublish pattern: 'build/sloccount.scc'
        archive "build/*.exe,build/*.rpm"
        deleteDir() // Delete workspace
    }
}
```

```

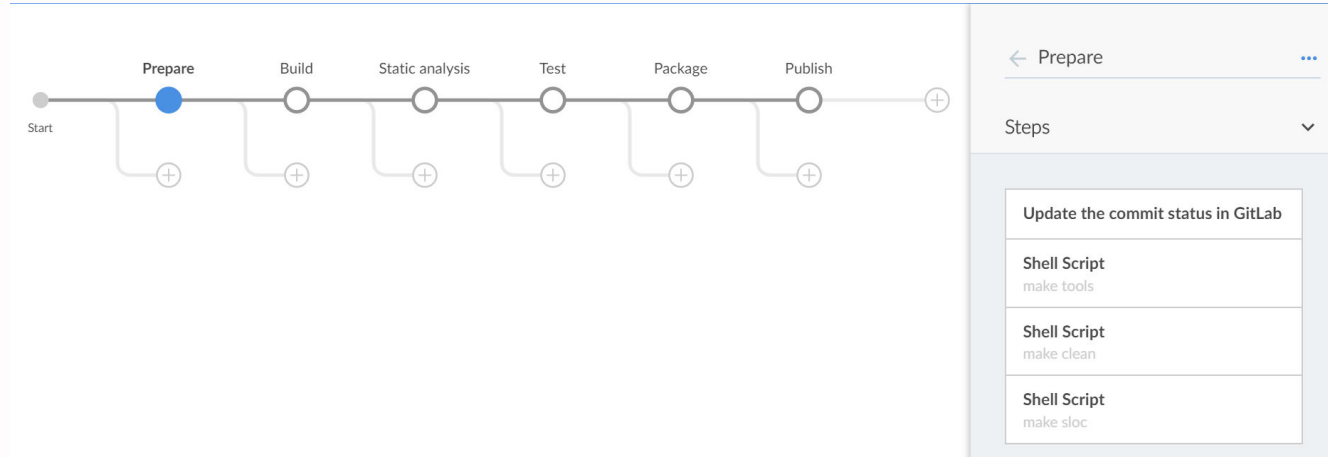
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    steps {
      echo "Welcome in stage 1"
      sh "python script.py"
      sh "./script.sh"
      zip zipFile: "compressed.zip", dir: "."
    }
  }
  stage('Stage-2') {
    when {
      branch "master"
    }
    environment {
      MY_VARIABLE = "My-Value"
    }
    parallel {
      stage("Sub-stage-1") {
        steps {
          echo "sub stage 1"
        }
      }
      stage("Sub-stage-2") {
        steps {
          echo "sub stage 2"
        }
      }
    }
  }
}

```



Pipeline editor

- Graphical tool
- Edit Jenkinsfile
- Makes it less difficult
- Not as powerful as text edition (yet?)



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Advanced scripting

The script step

- Takes a block of groovy script
- Mostly an “escape hatch”
- Has access to Jenkins’ internal functions
- Has access to Java/Groovy standard library
- Run in a sandbox
- Big scripts should go into a shared library

```
steps {  
  script {  
    for (i in 0..10) {  
      echo "${i}"  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Example

- Extract JIRA task ID from change's comment
- Display the link in Jenkins's job history

Build #11 (20 sept. 2018 20:10) [Computer icon]

TASK-777

TASK-1256, TASK-1343, **TASK-1234**

Build #10 (20 sept. 2018 18:10) [Computer icon]

TASK-42, TASK-12, TASK-1234

Build #9 (20 sept. 2018 18:02) [Computer icon]

JIRA Dashboards - Projects - Issues - Agile - Service Desk - Capture - Portfolio - Create

Scrum: Teams in Space

QUICK FILTERS: Product UI Server Only My Issues Recently Updated

EPICS: All issues, SeeSpaceEZ Plus, Space Travel Partners, Summer Saturn Sale, Afterburner Plus, Large Team Support, Local Mars Office, Hyper-speed shuttles, New launch platforms

Sprint 6 24 Issues (24/Nov/14 11:05 PM - 08/Dec/14 11:05 PM)

Issues list: TIS-46, TIS-42, TIS-43, TIS-40, TIS-41 (circled), TIS-45, TIS-44, TIS-43, TIS-68

Details for TIS-56: Status: CLOSED, Component/s: Web Site, Labels: None, Affects Version/s: 2.0, Fix Version/s: 2.0, Epic: Large Team Support

```

C:\repos\git-sample (master -> origin)
λ git commit -m "TASK-1234 TASK-12: Did some stuff"
[master d4e715c] TASK-1234, TASK-12: Did some stuff
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
    
```

Example

```
script {
  def issues = currentBuild.changeSets
    .collect { c -> c.getItems() }.flatten() // Build a single list with all changesets
    .collect{ c -> c.getMsg() } // Transform the list into a list of commit message
    .collect { msg -> msg.split(':')[0].split(',').collect { it.trim() } } // Extract issues id from
    each commit message
    .flatten() // Merge into a single list
    .findAll { task -> task =~ /TASK-[0-9]+/ } // Keep only valid issue names
    .unique() // Remove duplicates

  currentBuild.description = issues
    .collect { "<a href=\"https://your-jira.server.com/browse/${it}\">${it}</a>" }
    .join(", ")
}
```

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Don't repeat yourself

Introduction to shared
pipeline libraries

Shared pipeline libraries

- Store subset of pipeline code in separate SCM repository
- Share this code between multiple projects
- Create custom steps
- Avoid script sandbox restriction (a shared library is trusted)
- Imported in Jenkinsfile by `@Library("libraryname@v...")`
 - EG: `@Library("pipeline-common-lib@2.6.1")` _
 - Version can be the branch name, a tag, or a revision ID
- Check documentation at <https://jenkins.io/doc/book/pipeline/shared-libraries/>

Why

- Jenkinsfile gets bigger and bigger
- Some parts are common to many projects
- Implements complex steps
- Import and use java libraries
- DRY (Don't Repeat Yourself)

Let's refactor the JIRA link script

- Create a new GIT repository which will hold the library code
- Create a file `./vars/linkToJira.groovy` with the following content

```
def call(prefix, baseUrl) {
    def issues = currentBuild.changeSets
        .collect { c -> c.getItems() }.flatten() // Build a single list with all changesets
        .collect{ c -> c.getMsg() } // Transform the list into a list of commit message
        .collect { msg -> msg.split(':')[0].split(',').collect { it.trim() } } // Extract issues id from each commit
        message
        .flatten() // Merge into a single list
        .findAll { task -> task =~ /${prefix}-[0-9]+/ } // Keep only valid issue names
        .unique() // Remove duplicates
    currentBuild.description = issues.collect { "<a href=\"${baseUrl}/${it}\">${it}</a>" }
        .join(", ")
}
```

Let's refactor our JIRA script

- Update Jenkins system config
 - Add a Global Pipeline Library
 - Name your library
 - Setup the GIT repos

Library

Name

Default version

Load implicitly

Allow default version to be overridden

Include @Library changes in job recent changes

Retrieval method

Modern SCM

Source Code Management

Git

Project Repository

Credentials

Behaviours

Let's refactor our JIRA script

- Update the calling Jenkinsfile
 - Load the library on the first line of Jenkinsfile

```
@Library("pipeline-common-lib@master") _
```

- Call the **linkToJira** step somewhere in a stage's steps block

```
steps {  
    linkToJira "TASK", "https://your-jira.server.com/browse"  
}
```

Version your lib

- Avoid importing the master branch of a library
- Add versioning to it with a git tag with `git tag 6.2.3 && git push`

And import it `@Library("pipeline-common-lib@6.2.3") _`

- Or directly import a git revision

```
λ git rev-parse master  
8e5ff7ffceb5e6f758def92c7ddf40a5fe87005f
```

```
@Library("pipeline-common-lib@8e5ff7ffceb5e6f758def92c7ddf40a5fe87005f") _
```

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Conclusion

Why using Blue Ocean

- Enable good practices
- Keep your whole pipeline in an SCM (eg: GIT)
 - Stored alongside with testing scripts and / or tested code
 - Can be passed through the code review process
 - Track changes
 - Development made easier
 - Branches can be forked easily
 - Old versions can easily be relaunched
- Easy use of docker
- Share and reuse common parts accross projects
- Flexibility
- Understandability

Why not

- The learning curve
- Blue ocean is still under heavy development
- Groovy language
- The cost of rewriting existing freestyle jobs
- Still hard for now to test Jenkinsfile without having to submit it

QUESTIONS ?

Backup slides

Review workflow

- Fork master branch into a new one
- Make your changes and commit / push them
- New Job is automatically created and run





```
C:\repos\git-sample (master -> origin)
λ git branch my-new-branch
```

```
C:\repos\git-sample (master -> origin)
λ git checkout my-new-branch
Switched to branch 'my-new-branch'
```

```
C:\repos\git-sample (my-new-branch -> origin)
λ git add Jenkinsfile
```

```
C:\repos\git-sample (my-new-branch -> origin)
λ git commit -m "TASK-1212: Fixed something"
[my-new-branch 79e6533] TASK-1212: Fixed something
1 file changed, 8 insertions(+), 5 deletions(-)
```

```
C:\repos\git-sample (my-new-branch -> origin)
λ git log --graph --oneline
* 79e6533 (HEAD -> my-new-branch, origin/my-new-branch) TASK-1212: Fixed something
* 214c476 (origin/master, master) Commented out prepare stage
* d4e715c TASK-1234, TASK-12: Did some stuff
* c020fb7 TASK-1234: Did some stuff
```

SANTÉ	ÉTAT	BRANCHE	COMMIT	DERNIER MESSAGE
		my-new-branch	79e6533	Branch indexing
		master	214c476	Démarré par l'utilisateur j

Review workflow

- You can ask for a peer to review your changes
 - Pull Request (Github)
 - Merge Request (Gitlab)
 - Working with Gerrit also possible

Open Opened about a minute ago by Pierre-Henri Symoneaux Edit Close merge request

TASK-1212: Fixed something

Here's a code review

Request to merge my-new-branch into master Check out branch

Merge Remove source branch Modify commit message

You can merge this merge request manually using the command line

0 0

Discussion 3 Commits 1 Changes 1 0/3 discussions resolved

Showing 1 changed file with 8 additions and 5 deletions Hide whitespace changes Inline Side-by-side

```
Jenkinsfile
...
42 42 @@ -42,6 +42,8 @@ pipeline {
43 43     stage("Stage-1") {
44 44         steps {
45 45             echo "Welcome in stage 1"
46 46             addBadge icon: 'computer.png', text: env.NODE_NAME
47 47
48 48             linkToJira "TASK", "https://your-jira.server.com/browse"
49 49             sh "python script.py"
50 50             sh "./script.sh"
51 51             zip zipfile: "compressed.zip", dir: "."
52 52
53 53     }
54 54 }
55 55 }
```

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