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Continuous integration – that's not what they meant

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What is continuous integration (CI)?

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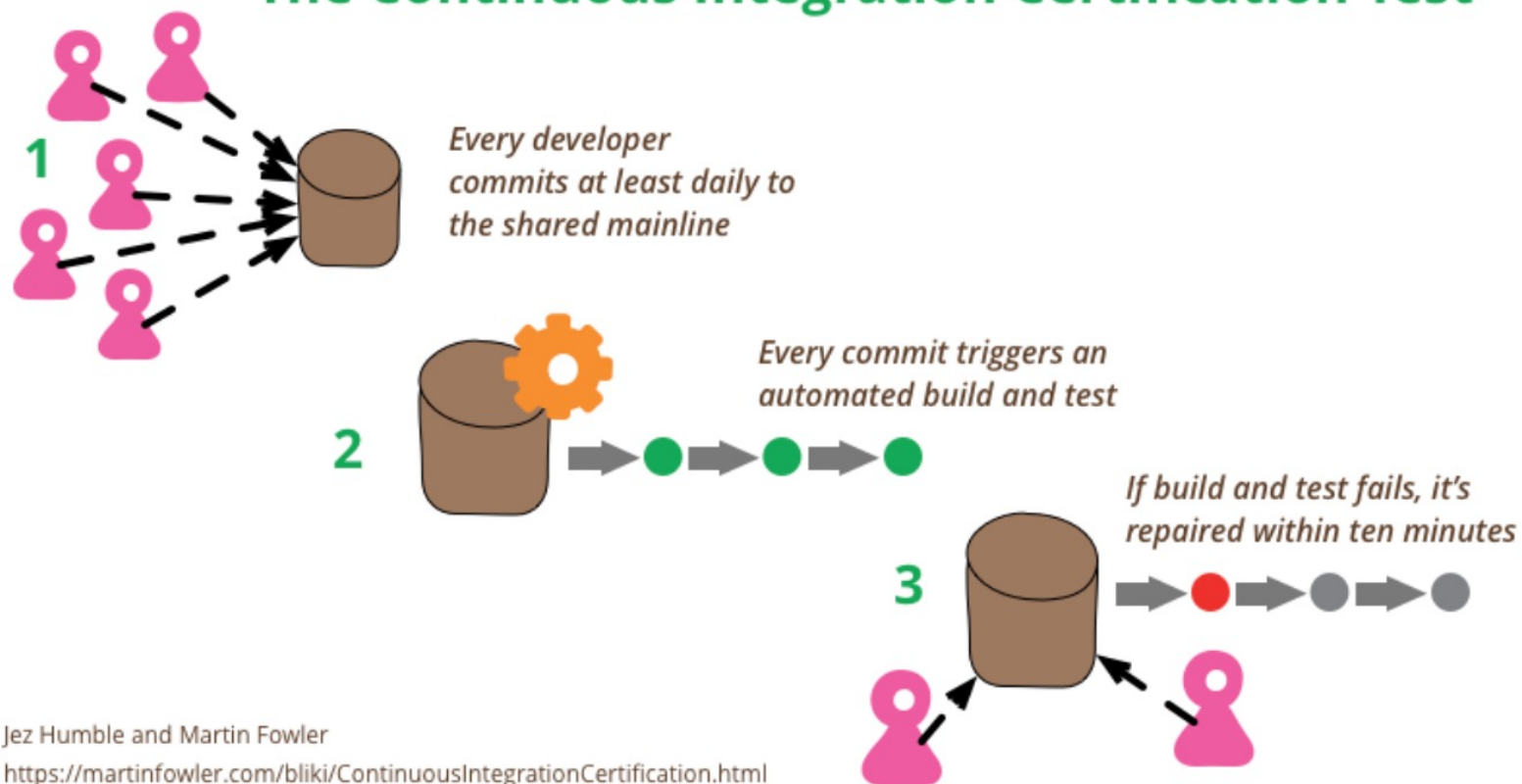
Jez Humble's Continuous Integration Test

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The Continuous Integration Certification Test



Jez Humble and Martin Fowler

<https://martinfowler.com/bliki/ContinuousIntegrationCertification.html>



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"No code sits unintegrated for more than a couple of hours. At the end of every development episode, the code is integrated with the latest release."

Kent Beck
Extreme Programming Explained, 1999

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Continuous integration vs Continuous Delivery

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Trunk-Based Development (TBD) **=** **Continuous Integration (CI)**

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**Trunk-based development (TBD).
Better. Faster. Happier.**

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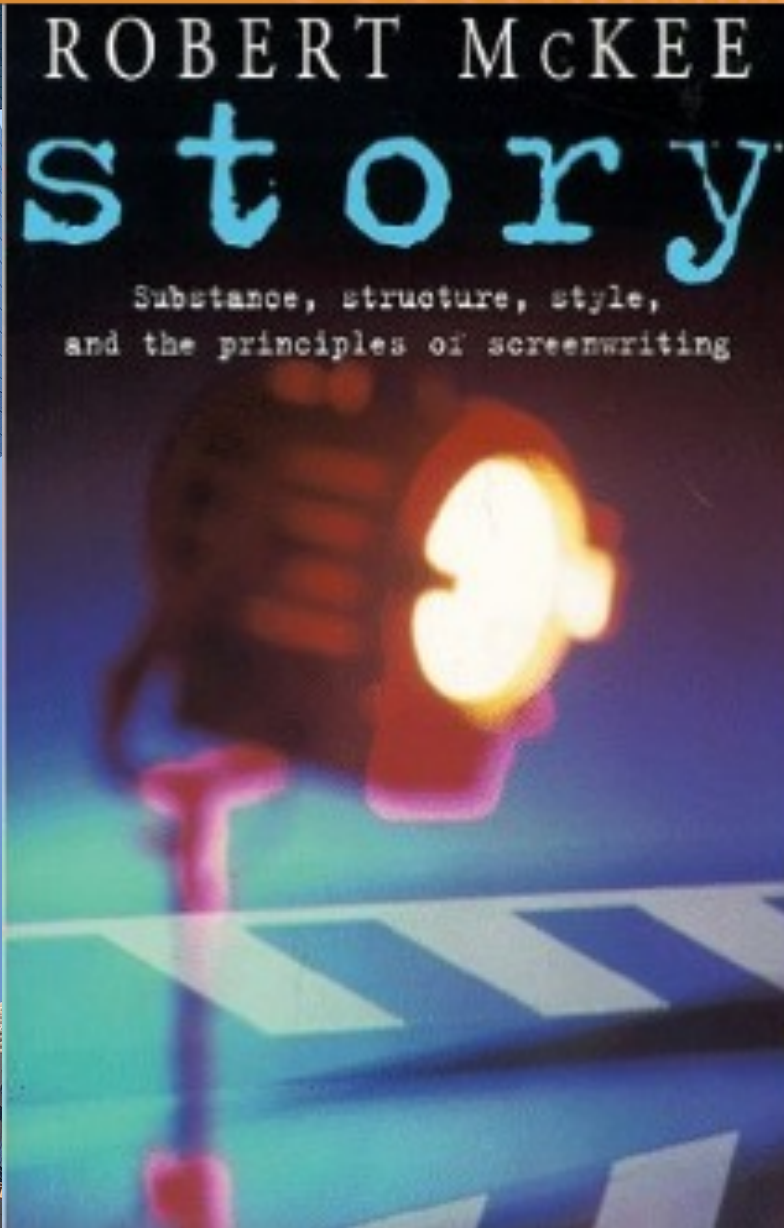
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Start state
~
Turning point
~
New state



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Move slowly
~
Introduce trunk-based development (TBD)
~
Move faster / fewer queues

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TBD + Spike
~
Experiment gets into main code base
~
Short-lived branches

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Short-lived branches
~
Merge hell
~
Go back to trunk-based development (TBD)

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Trunk-based development (TBD)
~
Regulatory non-compliance
~
Branches, PRs and code reviews

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Branches, PRs and code reviews
~
Lack of trust
~
More Pull Requests (PRs)

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More Pull Requests (PRs)
~
Even less trust
~
Move slowly

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“PR feedback is the last point in the dev cycle where feedback is useful, and often the most wasteful.”

[Dan Abel](#)

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" Using pull requests for code changes by your own team members is like having your family members go through an airport security checkpoint to enter your home. It's a costly solution to a different problem."

[Kief Morris](#)

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“The bigger the PR, the more likely it will suffer from the so-called “LGTM syndrome”. If the PR is big, reviewers have way less incentive to build in the quality.”

[Dragan Stepanović](#)

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“My experience, across the board, has been that regulators prefer these approaches [TBD and CD], once they come to understand them, because they provide a better quality experience all around.”

Dave Farley

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"The more complex the compliance mechanisms around change, the lower the quality of the software. ... I believe that it is not possible to implement a genuinely compliant, regulated system in the absence of CD!"

Dave Farley

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**Review whole code base - or
specific areas - at regular
intervals**

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Lack of trust + move slowly
~
Big bang trunk-based development (TBD)
~
Can't deploy (manual tests)

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Big bang TBD + manual tests
~
Deploy without testing + system failure
~
BLAME

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BLAME
~
Guilt and shame
~
GET HELP

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Technical Agile Coaching with the **Samman method**

By Emily Bache
Foreword by Kent Beck



“In order to be successful in modern development organizations, software developers need new skills.

These skills are not easily learnt on a short training course or at a university.

Practices like Continuous Integration and Test-Driven Development require developers to change their minute-by-minute habits and ways of working.”

[Emily Bache](#)

[Samman Technical Coaching Society](#)

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Many more much smaller steps (MMMSS) in journey**

**~
Trust, collaboration and patience**

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Pair and mob/ensemble programming

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Pairing + mob/ensemble programming
~
Identify manual tests as a problem
~
TDD, refactoring and automated testing

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Tightly coupled code
~
Slow builds
~
Minimise dependencies

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Continuous Integration requires “relentless work to simplify systems architecture on an ongoing basis to ensure that this automation isn’t prohibitively expensive to create and maintain.”

Accelerate – Forsgren et al

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Nicole Forsgren, Jez Humble, and Gene Kim

Accelerate: Building and Scaling High Performing Technology Organizations

(IT Revolution Press, 2018)

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ACCELERATE

Building and Scaling High Performing Technology Organizations

Nicole Forsgren, PhD
Jez Humble, and Gene Kim

*with forewords by Martin Fowler and Courtney Kissler
and a case study contributed by Steve Bell and Karen Whitley Bell*



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Minimise dependencies
~
More modules = slower tests (non-incremental)
~
Accept slower tests



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Slow tests

People ignore failing tests / don't run tests

Introduce faster, incremental tests

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Faster tests on server => stop running tests locally

~
Broken build

~
Leave build broken

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Leave build broken
~
Can't deploy critical patch
~
Run tests locally + keep build green

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**Not pushing frequently
~
Merge hell
~
MMSS + push frequently**



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"Integrating small changes regularly into your code is usually less painful than a big merge at the end of a longer period of time."

- [Trisha Gee](#)



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CTBD (Continuous trunk-based development)

~
Minor merge issues

~
Throw things away

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CONCLUSIONS

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2. But why does trunk-based development make things better?

- The Benefits of TBD
 - Small steps
 - MMMSS
 - Fast feedback
 - Avoiding merge hell
 - Reducing risk
 - Faster integration, fewer queues
 - Collective ownership
 - Better quality code
- Evidence
 - DORA Metrics and the State Of DevOps



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<https://dora.dev/>



State of DevOps Reports

Capability catalog

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"Trunk-based development ... has been shown for years to accelerate software delivery velocity."

DORA report, 2022

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Summary of CTBD techniques

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"We use branches when we don't mob or when we modify shared code. Nobody likes it, which in turn encourages us to mob more."

[Eli Mydlarz](#)

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"Any form of branching runs counter, in principle, to the ideas of Continuous Integration.

Don't branch! Don't branch! Don't branch!"

Dave Farley

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Feature flags?

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"To get maximum bang for your TBD buck, all developers all the time should be running with 100% of the features turned on.

A great deal of the benefit of CI and TBD both is in the extensive 'pre-testing' workout the code gets, as it's used by the rest of your team."

- Geepaw Hill



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Don't use branches
Interactive code reviews
No Pull Requests (PRs)
Get help
Avoid guilt and shame
Be open and honest
Build trust
Collaborate
Be patient
Implement automated testing

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Minimize dependencies
Speed up your tests
Use incremental testing
Keep the build green
Build and test on your own machine first
MMMSS (Many More Much Smaller Steps)
Push frequently
Use TDD (Test-Driven Development)
Refactor frequently
Throw things away



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**You can do some of these things
without doing all of them**

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Links

[DORA annual reports](#)

[Geepaw Hill, MMMSS \(Many More Much Smaller Steps\)](#)

[Martin Fowler, Continuous Integration](#)

[Jez Humble's Continuous Integration test](#)

Books

[Accelerate, Nicole Forsgren et al](#)

[DevOps Handbook](#)

[Extreme Programming Explained, Kent Beck](#)

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More links

[My O'Reilly report on trunk-based development](#)

[Trisha Gee, "Why I prefer trunk-based development"](#)

[Eli Mydlarz, "How to stop branching"](#)

[Kief Morris on pull requests \("Infrastructure as Code"\)](#)

[Dave Farley on compliance and continuous delivery](#)

[Dave Farley on trunk-based development](#)

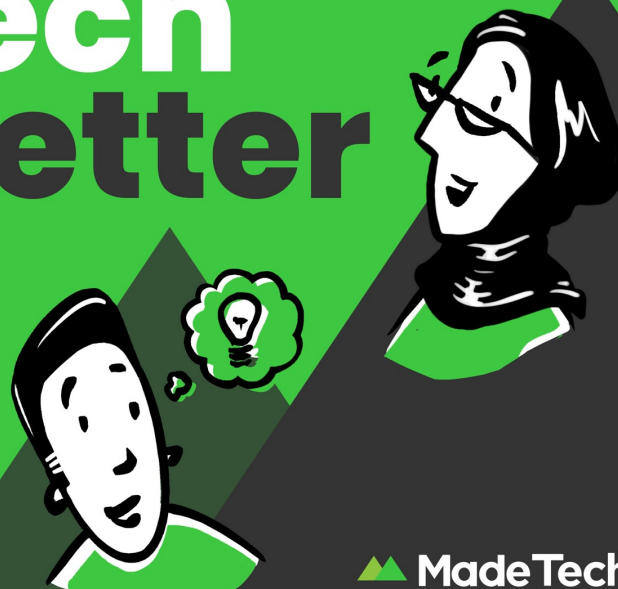
[Dragan Stepanović on Async Code Reviews](#)

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An Explanation of TBD
and How It Can Improve
Your Software Delivery

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 REFACTORING

Quality Code Boot Camp

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