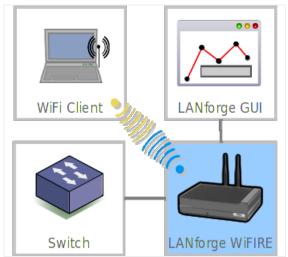


CI/CD Automated Testing of Access Points

Goal: Setup a framework to automatically find new builds, install them on target AP, run regression tests, and report values. Generate graphs of key data over all runs for historical view. Candela support is available to help customize scripts and fully implement this for your particular environment.

In this test scenario, a LANforge CI/CD package (ct523c, RF chamber, Test Controller and other bits and pieces) consumes AP firmware build images, runs automated tests, and reports the values. A testorchestrator machine queries the build system to find new builds. Work-items are created when new images are found. A test-bed controller looks for images that match the hardware in the test bed. The test-bed controller updates the AP with new firmware, reboots and configures it. The test-bed controller then automates control of the LANforge system to run a series of tests and then gatherers the results. When the tests are finished, they are uploaded back to the testorchestrator. The test-orchestrator will regenerate historical graphs when new results are found, and upload the finished reports to a web server.

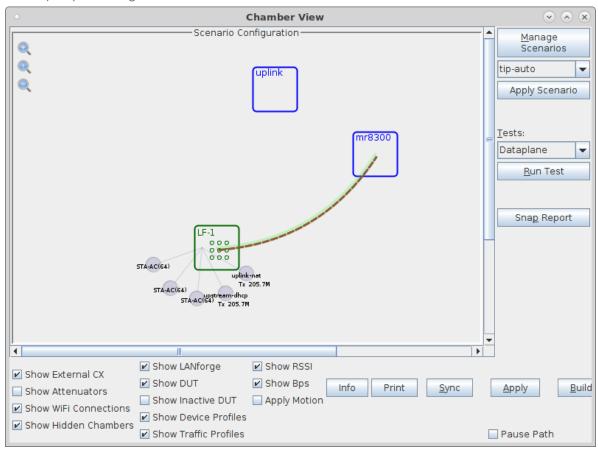


- 1. Configure Systems for automated testing. In this example, there are three main systems: Test-Orchestrator (TO), Test-Bed Controler (TB), and LANforge system (LF). The AP under test is referred to as DUT. Many of the details are left out of this document, your favorite search engine or network administrator should be able to help show you the details.
 - A. The automation uses ssh and scp to do its work. So, first you have to make sure that the TB can log into the TO with ssh without requiring password. This example uses the user 'lanforge' on the TO and LF machines.
 - B. The testbed machine user must be able to run'sudo' without needing a password.
 - C. In order to read console logs, the TO should act as the serial console server for the LANforge and AP DUT. In order to have the lanforge user on the TB system access the serial ports, you must change the permissions: sudo chmod a+rwx /dev/ttyUSB*
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This command must be run after the serial consoles are connected, or at least re-run once all of the /dev/ttyUSB* devices are found.

- D. Install additional software packages needed by the automation scripts. sudo pip3 install pexpect-serial
- 2. Configure LANforge to be used as an automated testbed.

A. Clean up any old config and create a chamber view scenario and DUT.



B. In this example, the AP DUT is called 'mr8300'.

Create/Modify DUT O						
Name	mr8300					
Image file	NONE		Choose Image	×		
SW Info	046ab4f	HW Info	Linksys-MR8300			
Model Number	Linksys-MR8300	Serial Number				
Serial port		WAN				
LAN		API version	0			
SSID-1	OpenWrt-2	Password-1	12345678			
SSID-2	OpenWrt-5lo	Password-2	12345678			
SSID-3	OpenWrt-5hi	Password-3	12345678			
Mgt IP	0.0.0.0	Num Ant Radio 1	0			
Num Ant Radio 2	0	Num Ant Radio 3	0			
BSSID-1	32:23:03:81:9c:29	BSSID-2	30:23:03:81:9c:27			
BSSID-3	30:23:03:81:9c:28	Active	AP DUT			
STA DUT	WEP	WPA	WPA2			
WPA3	🗌 802.11r	802.1x EAP-TTLS	Provides DHCP on LAN			
Provides DHCP on WAN						
Notes						
	Apply	<u>O</u> K <u>C</u> ancel				

C. This configuration uses some advanced virtual-router features in LANforge to have LANforge serve the DUT DHCP and provide a private NAT'ed network for the DUT the stations connected to it. The uplink DUT is part of how this is configured. The LAN address is the gateway for the virtual router. In this case, the LANforge machine's DUT uplink port is eth1, and it is cabled to a network that uses 192.168.3.5 as the gateway/router. Other test beds may use different Ethernet ports to provide these features.

•	Create/Mo	odify DUT		
Name	uplink			
Image file	NONE		Choose Image	×
SW Info		HW Info		
Model Number		Serial Number		
Serial port		WAN		
LAN	192.168.3.5/24	API version	0	
SSID-1		Password-1		
SSID-2		Password-2		
SSID-3		Password-3		
Mgt IP	0.0.0.0	Num Ant Radio 1	0	
Num Ant Radio 2	0	Num Ant Radio 3	0	
BSSID-1)0:00:00:00:00:00	BSSID-2	00:00:00:00:00:00	
BSSID-3)0:00:00:00:00:00	Active	AP DUT	
STA DUT	WEP	WPA	WPA2	
WPA3	🗌 802.11r	802.1x EAP-TTLS	Provides DHCP on LAN	1
Provides DHCP on WAN				
Notes				
	Apply	<u>O</u> K <u>C</u> ancel		

D. The Chamber View scenario creates stations on the available radios, provides the Upstream port (from perspective of the DUT), as well as uplink + NAT for the interface that routes DUT traffic upstream of LANforge.

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×	1.1	•	STA	A: STA-AC	•	64 (64)	•	wiphy0	•	AUTO	•	AUTO (-1 Mhz)	•	DUT: mr8300 Radio-2	-	N
×	1.1	•	STA	A: STA-AC	•	100 (100)	•	wiphyl	•	AUTO	•	AUTO (-1 Mhz)	•	DUT: mr8300 Radio-1	-	N
×	1.1	•	STA	A: STA-AC	•	64 (64)	•	wiphy2	•	AUTO	•	AUTO (-1 Mhz)	•	DUT: mr8300 Radio-3	-	N
×	1.1	•	Up	stream: upstream-dhcp	•	1 (1)	•	eth0	•	AUTO	•	AUTO (-1 Mhz)	•	DUT: mr8300 LAN	-	
×	1.1	•	Upl	link: uplink-nat	•	1 (1)	•	ethl	•	eth0	•	AUTO (-1 Mhz)	•	DUT: uplink LAN 192.168.3.5/24	-	
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E. Once chamber-view is set up, you need to create some test configurations for the various automated tests you wish to run. In this example, one test we use is the Dataplane test to test throughput at different packet sizes.

•	Datapla	ne	Test	\odot \sim \times
Settings Advanced Config	uration Report Configurati	ion		
Selected DUT:	mr8300	-	Duration:	15 sec (15 s) 💌
Downstream/WiFi Port:	1.1.6 sta00000	•	Upstream Port:	1.1.1 eth0 💌
Rate:	85%	-	Opposite Rate:	0Kbps 💌
Path Loss:	10			
Channels	Mode		Packet Size	Custom Packet Sizes
AUTO AUTO	Auto 802.11a 802.11b 802.11g 802.11abg 802.11abgn 802.11bgn 802.11bg		60 142 256 512 1024 MTU 4000 9000	
Spatial Streams AUTO 1 2 3 4	Security AUTO Open WEP WPA WPA2 WPA3		Bandwidth AUTO 20 40 80 160	
Traffic Type	Attenuator 1:		Attenuator 2:	Turntable
UDP TCP Arm-UDP Direction DUT Transmit DUT Receive	NONE (0)	•	NONE (0)	NONE (0)
	Start		Another Iteration	Pause <u>C</u> ancel

F. On the Dataplane Advanced tab, select a name and save the config. We will use that name later when configuring the automated tests.

•	Dataplane	Test		\odot
Settings Advanced Configu	uration Report	Configuration		
	Save	dpt-mtu		
	Load	DEFAULT		-
	Delete	DEFAULT		-
IP ToS:		Best Effort	(0)	-
Loop Iteratio	ns:	Single	(1)	-
Pause Aft	er Each Iteration			
Multi-Conn:		One (1)		-
Multi-Pkt:		1000	•	•
Start	🗌 Another It	eration	Pause	<u>C</u> ancel

G. Configured the AP-Auto test as well.

O AP Automated Test							\sim \times
			t Configurat	tion			
Settings	Advanced Configuration	on		r	St	ability Configuration	
	Open DUT		PSK DUT			Enterprise DUT	
Selected DUT 2G:	mr8300 OpenWrt-2	-	NA		•	NA	-
Selected DUT 5G:	mr8300 OpenWrt-5hi	-	NA		•	NA	-
Upstream Port:	1.1.1 eth0	•					
2.4Ghz Radios	5Ghz Radios						
1.1.4 wiphy1 💌	1.1.3 wiphy0	•					
•	1.1.5 wiphy2	•					
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_		-					
•		-					
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Tests to run:	Estimated Test Durat	ion:	29.333 m				
Basic Client Connectivity	🗹 Throughput vs Pkt	Size	е				
✓ Dual Band Performance	🖌 Capacity						
Stability	Long-Term						
	Start		Another	Iteration		Pause	ancel

H. Configure the AP-Auto Stability configuration.

• AP Automated Test 📀 🔿							
Capacity Configuration Pa	ss/Fail Configuration	Rep	ort Configuration				
Settings	Advanced Configura	atio	n Stability Config	guration			
Stability Duration:	3600 (1 hr)	•	Reset Radios				
Concurrent Ports to Reset:	Single (1)	•					
Minimum Time between Res	10 seconds (10 s)	•	Maximum Time between Resets:	l minute (l m)			
VOIP Call Count:	Twenty (20)	•					
Video Emulation Rate:	SD 360p (700 Kbps)	•	Video Buffer Size:	1m (976.5625 KB)			
Stability UDP Min Download	500000 (500 Kbps)	•	Stability UDP Max Download Rate:	Same			
Stability UDP Min Upload Ra	500000 (500 Kbps)	-	Stability UDP Max Upload Rate:	Same			
Stability TCP Min Download	500000 (500 Kbps)	-	Stability TCP Max Download Rate:	Same			
Stability TCP Min Upload Rate:	500000 (500 Kbps)	-	Stability TCP Max Upload Rate:	Same			
Stability stall threshold UDP	100000 (100 Kbps)	•	$\label{eq:stability} Stability \ stall \ threshold \ UDP \ Download:$	100000 (100 Kbps)			
Stability stall threshold TCP	100000 (100 Kbps)	•	Stability stall threshold TCP Download:	100000 (100 Kbps)			
Stability stall threshold Video:	100000 (100 Kbps)	-	Stability stall threshold VOIP:	20000 (20 Kbps)			
	Start		Another Iteration Pause	<u>C</u> ancel			

I. Configure the AP-Auto Advanced configuration, and save the configuration when done.

O AP Automated Test								
Capacity Configuration Pa								
Settings	Advanced Configuration	on	St	ability Configuration				
Save	DEFAULT							
Load	DEFAULT	•						
Delete	DEFAULT	•		Auto-Helper				
IP ToS:	Best Effort (0)	-	Multi-Conn:	One (1)	-			
Skip 2.4Ghz Tests	🗹 Skip 5Ghz Tests		🗌 Skip Dual-Band Tests					
Loop Iterations:	Single (1)	•						
2.4Ghz Station Count:	100 (100)	•	5Ghz Station Count:	Large (128)	•			
Dual-Band Station Count:	228 (228)	•						
Duration:	Default (20 sec)	•						
Long-Term Download Rate:	85%	•	Long-Term Upload Rate:	85%	-			
Long-Term Duration:	3600 (1 hr)	•	Long-Term Graph Interval	: 30 (30 sec)	-			
Long-Term Station Count:	Two (Default) (2)	-						
Hunt Retries:	Default (1)	•						
Frame Sizes:	200, 512, 1024, MTU							
Capacity Amounts (stations):	1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40, 64, 12	28, 2	256, 512, 1024, MAX					
Packet Loss Threshold:	1% (1%)	-						
	Start		Another Iteration	Pause 9	Cancel			

J. Configure a capacity-test, and save the configuration.

•	WiFi Capaci	ty Test		\odot \sim \times
	nced Settings Pass/Fail Settin Select Ports		Notes Test Groups	
Settings	Select Ports) 	Test Groups	
Station Increment:	1,2,5,10,20,45,60,100 👻 [?]	Loop Iterations:	Single (1)	•
Duration:	1 min (1 m) 🔻	🗌 Use Test Groups	Subset of Test Grou	p
Protocol:	TCP-IPv4	Layer 4-7 Endpoint:	NONE	-
Payload Size:	AUTO	MSS: AUTO		
Total Download Rat	e: 🔻	lG (l Gbps)		•
Total Upload Rate:	•	lG (l Gbps)		-
Percentage TCP Ra	te:	10% (10%)		-
Station-Down Quies	ce period:	0 (0 sec)		-
	Save	DEFAULT		
	Load	DEFAULT		•
	Delete	DEFAULT		•
		<u>S</u> tart	Pause 🧕	Cancel

3. Configure Testbed Contoller. This system will use the lanforge-scripts project (installed at /home/lanforge/scripts on LANforge systems). You will probably want to have a separate code repository for the Testbed automation. Candela can help you build scripts specific to your environment. This example shows how it was implemented for one project.

A. Create a directory structure that looks like this. The 'cicd' directory will contain glue logic to talk to the Test Orchestrator and to the LANforge automation. The testbeds directory holds information for each testbed in your configuration. The lanforge directory has a sub-directory called 'lanforge-scripts' that points to the lanforge-scripts project.

greearb@ben-home:~/git/tip/wlan-testing	\sim \sim
File Edit View Search Terminal Help	
[greearb@ben-home wlan-testing]\$ [greearb@ben-home wlan-testing]\$ [greearb@ben-home wlan-testing]\$ [greearb@ben-home wlan-testing]\$ [greearb@ben-home wlan-testing]\$ [greearb@ben-home wlan-testing]\$	•
<pre>cicd lanforge NOTES.txt opensync README.md sync_repos.bash [greearb@ben-home wlan-testing]\$</pre>	testbeds U

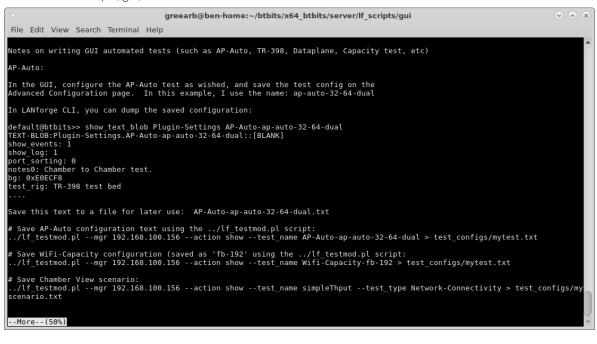
B. Inside the testbeds directory will be a sub-directory for each testbed in the project. In this example, we have two testbeds. We will focus on the one called 'ben-home'

greearb@ben-home:~/git/tip/wlan-testing/testbeds	\odot \otimes \otimes
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[greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$ [greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$ [greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$ [greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$ [greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$ [greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$	•
[greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$ [greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$ ls ben-home ferndale-basic-01 [greearb@ben-home testbeds]\$	Ũ

C. The ben-home testbed directory contains the Chamber View scenario, AP Auto, Dataplane and capacity configuration files. The automation will apply the OpenWrt-overlay on top of the base OpenWrt image after upgrading the software on the AP. This is an optional step and may not be useful for other DUTs.

greearb@ben-home:~/git/tip/w	vlan-testing/testbeds/be	n-home	\odot \otimes \otimes
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[greearb@ben-home ben-home]\$ [greearb@ben-home ben-home]\$ [greearb@ben-home ben-home]\$ [greearb@ben-home ben-home]\$ [greearb@ben-home ben-home]\$ ls 228_sta_scenario.txt NOTES.txt AP-Auto-ap-auto-228.txt OpenWrt-overlay dpt-pkt-sz.txt run_basic.bash [greearb@ben-home ben-home]\$		tmp_gitlog.html tmp_gitlog.txt WCT-228sta.txt	

D. The text configuration files were created by using the If_testmod.pl script from the lanforge-scripts project. Please see the scripts/gui/README.txt for details.



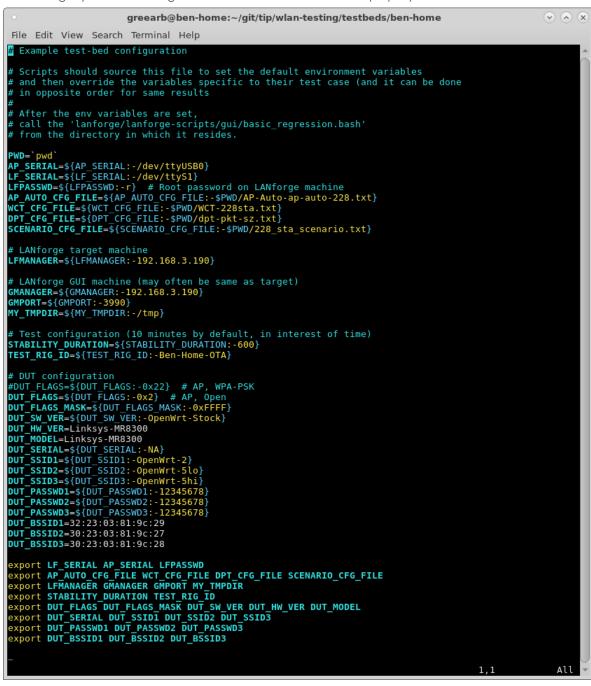
E. The run_basic.bash script is a helper script that sets some environment variables and then calls the lanforgescripts/gui/basic_regression.bash script.

```
greearb@ben-home:~/git/tip/wlan-testing/testbeds/ben-home
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 File Edit View Search Terminal Help
#!/bin/bash
# Example usage of this script
# DUT_SW_VER=my-build-id ./run_basic.bash
# Other DUT variables in test_bed_cfg.bash may also be over-ridden,
# including those below. See LANforge 'add_dut' CLI command for
# details on what these variables are for.
# DUT_FLAGS DUT_FLAGS_MASK DUT_SW_VER DUT_HW_VER DUT_MODEL
# DUT_SERIAL DUT_SSID1 DUT_SSID2 DUT_SSID3
# DUT_PASSWD1 DUT_PASSWD2 DUT_PASSWD3
# DUT_BSSID1 DUT_BSSID2 DUT_BSSID3
  Source config file test_bed_cfg.bash
echo "<b>Top wlan-testing git commits.</b><br>" > ./tmp_gitlog.html
git log -n 8 --oneline >> ./tmp_gitlog.html
echo "" >> ./tmp_gitlog.html
NOTES_HTML=`pwd`/testbed_notes.html
GITLOG=`pwd`/tmp_gitlog.html
export NOTES_HTML GITLOG
# TODO: Copy config file to cloud controller and restart it
# and/or do other config to make it work.
# Change to scripts dir
cd ../../lanforge/lanforge-scripts/gui
# Where to place results. basic_regression.bash will use this variable.
RSLTS_DIR=/tmp/ben-basic-regression
export RSLTS_DIR
# Clean any existing data from the results dir
rm -fr $RSLTS_DIR
# Run one test
# DEFAULT_ENABLE=0 D0_SHORT_AP_STABILITY_RESET=1 ./basic_regression.bash
# Run all tests
./basic_regression.bash
cd -
if [ ! -d $RSLTS_DIR ]
then
     echo "Test did not run as expected, $RSLTS_DIR not found."
mkdir -p $RSLTS_DIR
fi
if [ -f ${MY_TMPDIR}/basic_regression_log.txt ]
then
     echo "Found ${MY_TMPDIR}/basic_regression_log.txt, moving into $RSLTS_DIR"
mv ${MY_TMPDIR}/basic_regression_log.txt $RSLTS_DIR/
 fi
echo "See results in $RSLTS_DIR"
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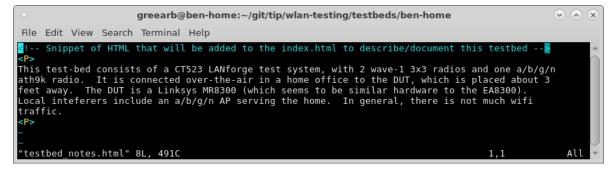
F. The run_basic_fast.bash script disables most of the tests and just runs a few specific ones.

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                               greearb@ben-home:~/git/tip/wlan-testing/testbeds/ben-home
 File Edit View Search Terminal Help
#!/bin/bash
# Example usage of this script
# DUT SW VER=my-build-id ./run basic.bash
# Other DUT variables in test_bed_cfg.bash may also be over-ridden,
# including those below. See LANForge 'add_dut' CLI command for
# details on what these variables are for.
# DUT_FLAGS DUT_FLAGS_MASK DUT_SW_VER DUT_HW_VER DUT_MODEL
# DUT_SERIAL DUT_SSID1 DUT_SSID2 DUT_SSID3
# DUT_PASSWD1 DUT_PASSWD2 DUT_PASSWD3
# DUT_BSSID1 DUT_BSSID2 DUT_BSSID3
# Source config file
. test_bed_cfg.bash
echo "<b>Top wlan-testing git commits.</b><br>" > ./tmp_gitlog.html
git log -n 8 --oneline >> ./tmp_gitlog.html
echo "" >> ./tmp_gitlog.html
NOTES_HTML=`pwd`/testbed_notes.html
GITLOG=`pwd`/tmp_gitlog.html
export NOTES_HTML GITLOG
# TODO: Copy config file to cloud controller and restart it
# and/or do other config to make it work.
# Change to scripts dir
cd ../../lanforge/lanforge-scripts/gui
# Where to place results. basic_regression.bash will use this variable.
RSLTS_DIR=/tmp/ben-basic-regression-fast
export RSLTS_DIR
# Clean any existing data from the results dir
rm -fr $RSLTS_DIR
# Run a subset of available tests
# See 'Tests to run' comment in basic_regression.bash for available options.
#DEFAULT ENABLE=0 WCT DURATION=20s D0 SHORT AP BASIC CX=1 D0 WCT BI=1 ./basic regression.bash
DEFAULT_ENABLE=0 WCT_DURATION=20s DO_SHORT_AP_BASIC_CX=1 DO_WCT_BI=0 ./basic_regression.bash
# Run all tests
#./basic_regression.bash
cd -
 if [ ! -d $RSLTS_DIR ]
then
    echo "Test did not run as expected, $RSLTS_DIR not found."
mkdir -p $RSLTS_DIR
 fi
 if [ -f ${MY_TMPDIR}/basic_regression_log.txt ]
then
     .
echo "Found ${MY_TMPDIR}/basic_regression_log.txt, moving into $RSLTS_DIR"
mv ${MY_TMPDIR}/basic_regression_log.txt $RSLTS_DIR/
 fi
 echo "See results in $RSLTS_DIR"
                                                                                                                                              All
                                                                                                                          42,1
```

G. Both of the scripts use the test_bed_cfg.bash file to configure the details about the device-under-test and the LANforge system. This configuration will allow the automation to properly do its work.



H. The testbed_notes.html is a snippet of HTML that will be added to reports to describe this test bed.



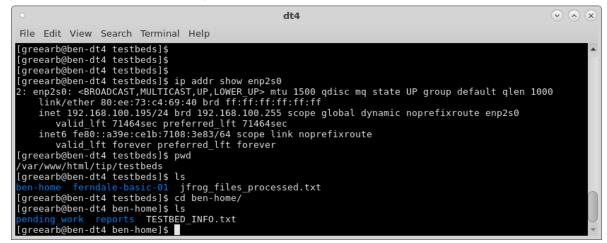
I. The cicd directory contains a directory for each of the test-beds, named similar to the testbeds directory. In this case, we are using the ben-home testbed. This directory will hold a file called TESTBED_INFO.txt. This describes the DUT hardware platform so that the test orchestrator knows what testbed can handle which binary images (this project is doing builds for multiple hardware platforms.)



J. The cicd directory also contains a script that queries the test orchestrator. The code in it is beyond the scope of this guide, but roughly speaking, it queries the test orchestrator's web page to find new work items, and when found, it will execute the test and upload results back to the orchestrator. An example run of this tool is:
 ../testbed_poll.pl --jfrog_passwd secret --url http://192.168.100.195/tip/testbeds/benhome/pending_work/

For full automation, this program should run in a loop, waiting 2 minutes between tries to give the orchestrator time to notice the results and remove the old work-item.

- 4. Configure test orchestrator. This system is visible to all the test beds. It could be a VM running in a cloud, or some other system running in your lab. It will have a web server, and directories dedicated to the automation.
 - A. Create a directory structure that looks like this. A copy of the cicd/[testbeds] should be placed here. In particular, the TESTBED_INFO.txt is important.



B. The orchestrator will poll the build artifact system to find new builds and build work-items. It will place the work-items in the test-beds that it wishes to execute the tests.

• dt4	\sim \sim \times
File Edit View Search Terminal Help	
[greearb@ben-dt4 ben-home]\$ [greearb@ben-dt4 ben-home]\$ cat pending_work/CICD_TEST-ea8300-2020-04-24-046ab4f-basic	^
CICD_TYPE=basic CICD_RPT_NAME=ea8300-2020-04-24-046ab4f CICD_RPT_DIR=greearb@192.168.100.195:/var/www/html/tip/testbeds//ben-home/reports/basic	
CICD_HW=ea8300 CICD_FILEDATE=2020-04-24	
CICD_GITHASH=046ab4f CICD_URL=https://tip.jfrog.io/artifactory/tip-wlan-ap-firmware/	
CICD_FILE_NAME=ea8300-2020-04-24-046ab4f.tar.gz CICD_URL_DATE=24-Apr-2020 18:28 [greearb@ben-dt4 ben-home]\$	Ų

C. The testbed controller will find this work item, do the work, and then upload the results to the location specified in the work-item. The test-orchestrator will then generate summary reports for all available results, including comparison graphs for the different test runs. It will upload these results to some web page so that users can view the end results.

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