Open Build Service (OBS) Project Workshop



Develop Large Projects

Develop Large Project Best Practices





Develop Large Projects Breaking Project Down

Large projects, like the openSUSE distribution, with many contributors have staging areas where software stacks get integrated



Develop Large Projects Contributor Branch/Submit

	Terminal X
	frank@laptop \$ osc branch openSUSE:Factory gcal
	Note: The branch has been created of a different project, Base:System,
	which is the primary location of where development for that package takes place.
	That's also where you would normally make changes against. A direct branch of the specified package can be forced with thenodevelproject option.
	A working copy of the branched package can be checked out with:
	osc co home:frank:branches:Base:System/gcal
After Making the Changes	
	frank@laptop \$ osc submitreq -m "Updated gcal to version 3.6" created request id 0815

Develop Large Projects Developer Asseses Requests

Terminal

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joe@home \$ osc request list Base:System

0815 State:new By:frank When:2012-08-16T15:00:14

submit: home:frank:branches:Base:System/gcal -> Base:System Descr: Updated gcal to version 3.6

joe@home \$ osc request show -d 0815

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joe@home \$ osc request accept 0815 -m "Thank you for your contribution :-)" Result of change request state: ok

After Integrating the Changes

joe@home \$ osc submitreq Base:System gcal openSUSE:Factory -m "updated to 3.6" created request id 2342

Collaborating on Packages Assess Requests

Terminal

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martin@work \$ osc request list openSUSE:Factory
0815 State:new By:frank When:2012-08-16T15:00:14
 submit: home:frank:branches:Base:System/gcal -> Base:System
 Descr: Updated gcal to version 3.6

martin@work \$ osc request accept 0815 -m "Accepted, thank you for the update!" Result of change request state: ok

Develop Large Projects Multi-level review



Develop Large Projects Multi-level integration



Maintain Large Projects

Example: Make an official update



openSUSE Update Project Layout



114 & 208 are incident numbers.114: one incident for bc & tar package208: one incident for bc package

Image build using KIWI

OBS KIWI Imaging Image Source Package OBS OBS user submits source to OBS and gets a product



OBS Imageing compared to other KIWI solutions 1/2

Running KIWI manually:

- All KIWI functionalities are usable.
- Best way to hack on KIWI.
- Build happens local.

Imaging in Studio:

- For fast and easy image creation.
- Easy and integrated testing of the image.
- Workflow and tool guided image creation.
- Interactive working style.
- Server side image creation



OBS Imageing compared to other KIWI solutions 2/2

Imaging in Build Service:

- Batched processed image building depending on single package build results.
- Recommended for product/installation medias.
- Low-Level / Command line interface only.
- Allows usage of modified kiwi tool or kiwi descriptions in own project.
- Server side and local building options.
- Integrating of regular image builds into maintenance process for official products.
- Supports multiple KIWI version per Image (using it from the projects).



Image Builds from OBS POV

OBS knows currently these types of packages:

- rpm/spec builds
- deb/dsc builds
- KIWI Image (aka known as appliance image)
- KIWI Product Image (aka Installation Media)

Planned:

- QA builds
- MS Windows builds
- → Image builds are just another "package" build for the Build Service.



Limitations of Image builds within OBS

The OBS has as highest goal a clean and reproducable image build, as soon as possible (eg. not waiting for OpenOffice build when not needed). As a result we have the following limitations compared to plain KIWI usage:

- Only OBS repositories can be used.
- Own/modified boot description templates needs to get packaged.
- Used packages must be unambiguous !
- Currently no pattern support.
- Server may wait for building packages and does not start immediately.
 - \rightarrow Local osc build works at any time.
- Non-ISO build results are stored in tar ball, extended with Build number.



How to setup a KIWI repo

- Create a repository in a project.
 - Enable wanted architectures
 - No other repository needed in project config.
 KIWI's xml is specifing it.
- Create project config, setting this repository to
 - Type: kiwi
 - Repotype: none
- Create a package
- Submit adapted KIWI config files.



What needs to be changed in KIWI configs for OBS ?

- The config.xml needs to be suffixed as .kiwi
- Repositories needs to be specified as obs://\$PROJECT/\$REPOSITORY
 - obs:// refers always to the used build service.
 - Example: obs://openSUSE:11.1/standard
- Content of root directory needs to get packaged as root.tar or root.tar.bz2
- In case of expansion error "have choice" just select a package and add it to your package list.



Examples

openSUSE Factory Live CD in → openSUSE:Factory:Live Project

KDE:Media Live CDs in

→ KDE:Medias Project

OBS worker images (netboot deployment) in → openSUSE:Tools Project

Product preload rescue disk in

→ internal Devel:Moblin Project

JeOS based on SLES 10 and 11 in

→ internal Devel:JeOS Project



Future Plans

- Support patterns
- Integrate into QA system for testing a produced build automatically (NOT interactive).
- Connect to SUSE Studio somehow for kiwi config exchange



Installation Media Creation (aka Product Creation)

What are Products ?

- Products are SUSE specific.
- Products are medias with plain rpm packages, to be handled via YaST or zypper.
- The Media may be bootable.
- Medias can be CD iso files, DVD iso files or FTP trees.
- The media may support multiple architectures.
- Examples are the openSUSE 11.1 DVD or the Non-OSS FTP tree Add-On.

A Product from KIWI POV

- A product KIWI config looks complete different to a system image. (Own section)
- No automatic dependency solving between packages.
- It works only with local rpm repositories currently.
- KIWI needs to deal with
 RPM package which are used for installation
 - Meta packages (get extracted on the media)
 - Generate meta data

A Product In Detail

A typical product media consist of:

- An rpm repository
- Meta data
 - Patterns (prepared package selections)
 - Bootable initrd starting YaST for installation
 - Theming
 - EULA / License Information

A product may consist of multiple product medias !

Example Product

OpenSUSE 11.1 comes as:

- DVD5 for i586, x86_64 and ppc each
- DVD9 for i586 and x86_64 together
- FTP tree for i586 and x86_64 together
- FTP tree for ppc and ppc64 together
- NET boot media i586, x86_64 and ppc each

OpenSUSE 11.1 Non-OSS comes as:

- CD for i586, x86_64 and ppc each
- FTP tree for i586 and x86_64 together
- FTP tree for ppc

The Problem

- Each product media needs
- An own kiwi config
- An own release flavor package
- Meta packages to be put one the media.

This means in each of them is some data which needs to be kept in sync. Like package lists or the Beta/RC version.

The Solution

- We have product configs in Build Service, specifing all medias for a Product.
- Multiple Products from one code stream can share definitions(eg SLE-11 or openSUSE:11.1).
- The OBS product converter creates
 All kiwi config files
 - All kiwi config files
 - A spec file for release packages, including all flavors.
 - Patterns on media (in future)
- Product definitions are stored in "_product" package, all resulting sources gets generated as "_product:...." packages on checkin time.

Nice New Features

- KIWI allows to collect automatically all required source and debug packages.
- Not Yet: One place to maintain package lists for products and patterns.
- Not Yet: Automatic dependency solving for products optional.

Examples and Documentation

- openSUSE 11.1 was the first product using this.
- SLE-11 based products followed.
- Product Definition wiki pages
- And of course the general KIWI documentation describing how to create an installation source manually.

Future

- Adapt KIWI after PDB migration
 - Obsolete some meta packages
 - Obsolete some autobuild tools with native implementation
 - \rightarrow Significant speed up hopefully
- Support Driver Update Disks in KIWI
- Support pattern generation based on product config
- Code/return value cleanup
- Media overflow handling ?
- Optional package dependency resolving ?
- KIWI remote repository support ?

Learn more about the Open Build Service www.openbuildservice.org

Thank you.



