A continuous integration environment building based on the research of C#.NET

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Abstract

In the software development process of the past, integration is a very painful thing, usually a long time to do integration, as a result, it can cause many problems. Continuous integration, which is the core of the agile development practice, was integrated in one day more than ten times or even dozens of times, so often integration can minimize conflict. Due to the frequent integration, there are few changes to be made each time, even under integration failure conditions; it is easy to locate errors.

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1 Introduction

Continuous integration (continuous integration) is a software development practice (Aslin’s context and spoken word recognition in a novel lexicon). After students learned C#.NET, had a certain understanding of software development. But for the team cooperation, they still felt very strange. So through continuous integration, the team members could frequently integrate their work between them. It is not a simple assembly software but it is the core of the software development process. Through constantly running tests, ensuring software's existing functions are not destroyed, automatically analyzing the states of the existing code (with and without repeated logic, the complexity of the code, etc.) and publishing the related reports (circle in the theory of agile development methods of science and technology inform) [1-12].

2 Domestic and foreign in-trend analysis

The acceptance time of a popular software development method by the industry may take ten years or twenty years. It has been a history of more than 20 years since the Scrum and XP were created and applied to industry (agile development of related technologies in the application of computer application and software). Lean software development mode has nearly 10 years of history. Now, these agile methods are achieving fine development, more and more people begin to pay close attention to them [8,13-18].

On the other hand, various types, various size companies have gradually started to focus on agile development. Technology giants such as Google, Yahoo, IBM and Microsoft have used agile development for many years. They usually choose certain development team to try agile development mode, and then put the development experience of generalizability to other teams. Small and medium-sized software companies with flexible innovation characteristic, are more suitable for agile development. Many companies have already put the development team to fully transition to agile development mode. According to Forrester, "Dr. Dobb's Journal", and the Methods and Tools industry surveys of 2009 to 2011, a report in the United States and the European Union, understanding of agility and adoption is growing at about 50% per year. Obviously, agile methods will be at early majority phase to accelerate the adoption rate of growth, and will be more widely accepted by the enterprises (data integration environment database clustering algorithm based on similarity is computer engineering) [14-18].

Agile has been adopted in China. China's software development groups have started using agile methods in recent years, but they only account for very small portion of relevant organizations and companies. So we can say that agile adoption rate in China is still in the early stages of the technology adoption life cycle, trial (early adopters) phase.

3 Why do we need continuous integration?

In the software development process of the past, integration is a very painful thing, usually it takes a long time to do an integration, which can cause many problems, such as the build failings or failing unit test, usually it cost

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enormous human resources to locate and solve the problem. Integration of low frequency can be collected the code change feedback to developers, not to mention in the continuous incremental development can guarantee the stability of product functionality and reliability (Based on a continuous integration environment of software process management) [9-13].

Continuous integration at the core of the agile development practice, integrated in one day more than ten times or even dozens of times, so often integration can reduce conflict. Due to the integration very frequent, each integrated change has very few, even integration failure is easy to locate errors. Microsoft C#.NET on the Web(Continuous integration in the project analysis and research on computer programming skills and maintenance), WinForm application development, with the advantages of rapid and obviously, build based on C#.NET last will contribute to the stability of the product changes, and timely feedback. Summarized as follows:

1. The value of continuous integration;
2. Reduce risk, reduce manual process, generate the build results, and a sense of security;
3. The automation of continuous integration;
4. Automated testing, automatic generated can be deployment of the finished product, finished product will automatically deployed to the approximate conditions, automatic run regression tests, measurement reports automatically generated (announces upgrade to continuous integration and delivery server).

4 How to deploy?

Part of the agile practices in some organizations and companies have been carried out, but if adopted agile, is a huge task. Not only is the agile infrastructure, more important is the change of the whole team consciousness. This article mainly from the aspects of agile infrastructure, introduce how to build a continuous integration environment based on C#.NET, including access to the source code, compile the source code, perform all testing alarm, check the code and test coverage analysis, etc (Continuous Integration Server: Developers Can Now Test More, Configure Less).

The main content includes:
1. Set up a continuous integration server;
2. Build a continuous integration environment;

Continuous integration of the typical scenario is as follows Figure 1.

5 Set up and management of the continuous integration server

Firstly, determine the installation server of CC.NET, located within the local area network (LAN). CC.NET of course ability is not limited to this, should be can extend the functionality of a lot of other (Scaling Agile Technical Practices: Implementing Continuous Integration to Enable Lean) [14-17].

CC.Net name "IBM Rational ClearCase Client for Visual Studio. NET". As is known to all, the ClearCase Thougthworks is one of the flagship product of development of the company, is a leading global software configuration management tool, it is widely used in many enterprise software engineering practice, has many enterprise users. And Visual Studio 2008 (VS2008) is Microsoft's powerful software development integration environment, it is Microsoft. Net Framework is indispensable to develop software tools, Visual Studio. Net an important role in the world, also has many supporters. And CC.Net is ClearCase perfect integration in Visual Studio [11-15].

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CC.Net name "IBM Rational ClearCase Client for Visual Studio. NET". As is known to all, the ClearCase ThougthWorks is one of the flagship product of development of the company. It is a leading global software configuration management tool, it is widely used in many companies claim to the continuous integration server set up and functional analysis, the function module on the combination of the corresponding debugging, to ensure the correct operation of all functions and display(Study on Ship Design Information Integration Model).
5.1 ACCESS TO THE SOURCE CODE

The source code is the core of the company's products, is one of the company's wealth. Different version at the time of development, the source code in the previous version on the basis of constantly accumulating. Every time for continuous integration, integration needs to get the latest source code and guarantee the integration.

5.2 COMPILE THE SOURCE CODE

After the source code is compiled into an executable program can be run. After obtaining the source code, compile the source code can be found that the code is flawed. Of course to meet Microsoft's compilation rules and norms, thus avoid the process of compilation errors, for subsequent code detection and operation obstacles [18].

5.3 CODE THE ALARM

By the compiler or the alarm check tool to analyze the source code is not in conformity with the specifications, timely discover and modify, to enhance the quality of source code:

5.4 UNIT TESTING

Through the test cases cover, timely feedback to the submitted code can guarantee the stability of the original function, or commit the code in the original function and the effect of early find and solve the problem, avoid costly human when product integration test to solve the defects problem. Nunit execution by Nunit(Untangling the intracellular signalling network in cancer — A strategy for data integration in acute myeloid leukaemia). Write test cases and use case and the output. Already can through the console command to drive the case execution. Above is the result of performing use-case GUI way: use case successes, failures and errors may be collected data. In the validation process, through the console command execution results can be saved as XML files, then using XSL to report shows.

5.5 CODE COVERAGE

By performing testing, test results, and source code analysis, check the code and which are not covered. No covered code, either scenario is missing, either there is something wrong with the code processing. May be testing to ensure function as much as possible. Using Ncover, Nunit execution results for analysis, to check the coverage of the test function. Main branch from the code coverage measurement. The higher coverage, function test, the more fully, and the smaller risk of errors(The integration of home-automation and IPTV system and services).

5.6 CHECK CODE COMPLEXITY

The more concise code easier to read, the more easy to maintain. Through checking the complexity, can in time found that excessive complexity of code or function, and then constantly refactoring, code structure adjustment, ensure the quality of the code. Use FxCop tool for c # coding specification, design, etc., use FxCop rules for inspection(A multi-layered approach to CRM implementation: An integration perspective). Increase code quality through this check can class design and quality.

6 Conclusion

Finding out the most suitable C#.NET development tools, integrating it into a continuous integration environment can be realized through the analysis of the existing popular continuous integration tool (Supply chain integration and
service oriented transformation: Evidence from Chinese equipment manufacturers). According to the need of the build steps, development support tools and reporting transformation tools, will form a complete system of continuous integration environment, they will also contribute to enterprise application integration environment, promoting enterprise agility practice capability.

In terms of agility development, the popularity of a development method is a process of accumulation. A good development method is established through constant practicing and validating and it must be effective (An analysis and strategies for implementation to meet mobile commerce challenges). There is no clear dividing line that marks the degree and level of the popularity of the agility development, at least for now, agility is still under development. More projects are using agility in practice, the spread of the agility concept and successful agility cases are growing. It is stressed that agility is not a “silver bullet”, in light of there is no universal development mode, only constant practicing will create better development.

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