
z/TPF Automated Test Framework

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Problem



- The cost of testing z/TPF application code can be expensive.
 - Test resources are required to manually run and validate test cases
 - Manual testing takes time, increasing time to market for new application function
 - Perception of z/TPF and the mainframe suffers making it harder to get new function on the platform
- The quality of code can suffer
 - In some cases tests are lost over time as skills and priorities change
 - Testing is done with throw away code to get the application tested more quickly
- **There is no z/TPF testing framework in place that allows for repeatable, automated testing**

z/TPF Automated Test Framework



- Allows you to create new (or convert old), self-validating programmatic test cases similar to other testing frameworks, like Google Test.
 - Set of TPF unique APIs to create z/TPF automated tests.
- Provides the ability to organize tests by a namespace
 - For example, `airco.res.overbook`
- Framework automatically detects new test cases when they are loaded to the z/TPF system
 - Allows for tests to be included with the modules being tested.
- Ability to query / run testcases defined in the z/TPF automated test framework
 - Using the new ZDEVO operator command
 - Using a Java application (ie. junit) on a remote platform

Creating Automated Test Cases

qovb.c

```
TPF_TESTSUITE ("airline.overbook", "TOV*, TOB1");

TPF_TESTCASE (overbook_firstClass, "overbooking in first class") {

    // Test case logic

}

TPF_TESTCASE (overbook_economy, "Test overbooking in economy") {

    // Test case logic

}

•
•   Additional overbook tests
•
```

TPF_TESTSUITE

- defines the namespace of tests in this shared object
- Code coverage mask – reserved for future enhancements

One or more individual test cases that will be contained in the namespace defined

Automatic Detection of Test Cases

qovb.c -> QOVB.so

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TPF_TESTCASE (overbook_firstClass, "overbooking in first
class") {

    // Test case logic
}

TPF_TESTCASE (overbook_economy, "Test overbooking in
economy") {

    // Test case logic
}
```

OLD/TLD load
driver program

z/TPF

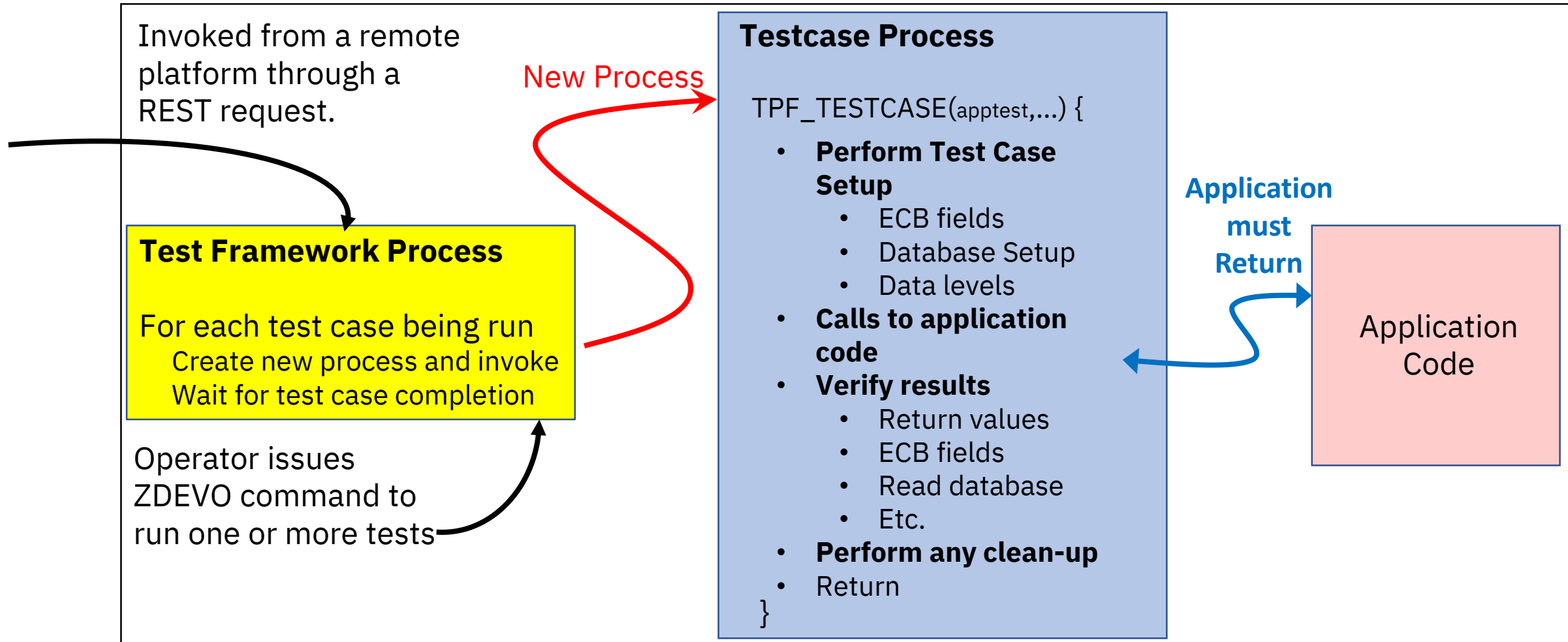
Automated Test Table

airline.overbook
overbook_firstClass
overbook_economy

Upon loading, the testsuite/testcases in the shared object are runnable using command or from a remote platform.

z/TPF Framework Architecture

z/TPF



Invoking z/TPF Application Code

```
TPF_TESTCASE (overbook_firstClass, "Test overbooking in first class") {  
    struct overbook_input overbook_parms;  
  
    ... Setup environment for call  
  
    TPF_TC_INFO ("Calling overbook routine");  
  
    TPF_TC_TIMEOUT(3);  
  
    int rc = process_overbook (&overbook_parms);  
  
    if (rc == RETURN_ERROR)  
        TPF_TC_ERROR ("overbook failure-%d", overbook_parms.errCode);  
        return;  
  
    ... Validate results  
}
```

TPF_TC_INFO to log the
flow through the test case

Ability to change timeouts at runtime
Default – 10 seconds

Call to application function

TPF_TC_ERROR to log error messages

- During the execution of a testcase if a TPF_TC_ERROR at any time during the test case logic results in a test case failure

Test Case Message Logging

Successful Test Case

```
zdevo run airline.overbook overbook_firstClass
CSMP0097I 13.55.13 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0004I 13.55.13 PROCESSING FOR THE SELECTED TEST
                      CASES IS STARTED.
-- overbooking in first class --
TEST CASE STARTED
  Calling overbook routine
    ... Additional information / error messages
TEST CASE COMPLETED IN 10ms - PASSED - overbook_firstClass
CSMP0097I 13.55.13 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0005I 13.55.13 RESULTS FOR TEST 1 -
overbook_firstClass
CSMP0097I 13.55.13 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0018I 13.55.13 1 TEST WERE COMPLETED.
                      1 PASSED, 0 FAILED, 0 SKIPPED+
END OF DISPLAY
```

Failed Test Case

```
zdevo run airline.overbook overbook_firstClass
CSMP0097I 14.30.18 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0004I 14.30.18 PROCESSING FOR THE SELECTED TEST
                      CASES IS STARTED.
-- overbooking in first class --
TEST CASE STARTED
  Calling overbook routine
    ... Additional information / error messages
    ERROR IN QOVB,qovb.c:1813 overbook failure-19
TEST CASE COMPLETED IN 14ms - FAILED - overbook_firstClass

CSMP0097I 14.30.18 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0007E 14.30.18 AN ERROR OCCURRED WHILE RUNNING TEST CASE
overbook_firstClass.
PGM: QOVB SOURCE: qovb.c LINE: 1813 - overbook failure-19
CSMP0097I 14.30.18 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0005I 14.30.18 RESULTS FOR TEST 1 - overbook_firstClass
CSMP0097I 14.30.18 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0020E 14.30.18 1 TEST WERE COMPLETED.
                      0 PASSED, 1 FAILED, 0 SKIPPED
END OF DISPLAY
```


Setting Up Testcase and Validating Results

How do you setup the environment for a test case? How do you validate results?

```
TPF_TESTCASE (overbook_firstClass, "Test overbooking in first class") {  
    struct overbook_input overbook_parms;  
  
    ... Setup environment for call  
  
    TPF_TC_INFO ("Calling overbook routine");  
    int rc = process_overbook (&overbook_parms);  
    if (rc == RETURN_ERROR)  
        TPF_TC_ERROR ("overbook failure-%d", overbook_parms.errCode);  
    return;  
  
    ... Validate results  
    and restore environment  
  
}
```

- Setting up input structures
- Setting up ECB fields
- Setting up data level
- Setting up database

- Validating output
- Validating ECB fields
- Validating data levels
- Validating database
- Validate for memory leaks
- Validate performance (I/O, etc)

May need to restore things to ensure subsequent tests are consistent and repeatable.

Multi-ECB Test Cases

Use TPF_TC_NEW_ECB/TPF_TC_DONE_ECB to include created ECBs in the test case

```
TPF_TESTSUITE ("airline.overbook", "TOV*, TOB1");

TPF_TESTCASE (overbook_multiECB, "overbook multi-ECB") {
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
        swisc_create(...)

        TPF_TC_NEW_ECB();    ← Indicates another ECB is
                             participating in the test
    }
}
```

- Testcase ECB waits for all ECBs to issue TPF_TC_ECB_DONE before completion
 - If any ECB issues TPF_TC_ERROR the testcase fails

```
void main() {
    struct overbook_input overbook_parms;

    TPF_TC_INFO ("Calling overbook routine");
    int rc = process_overbook (&overbook_parms);
    if (rc == RETURN_ERROR)
        TPF_TC_ERROR ("overbook failure");
    return;
    TPF_TC_ECB_DONE();
}
```

ECB 1

-
- ECBs created via SWISC
-

```
void main() {
    struct overbook_input overbook_parms;

    TPF_TC_INFO ("Calling overbook routine");
    int rc = process_overbook (&overbook_parms);
    if (rc == RETURN_ERROR)
        TPF_TC_ERROR ("overbook failure");
    return;
    TPF_TC_ECB_DONE();
}
```

ECB n

Passing Parameters

Can use TPF_TC_SET_PROPERTY/TPF_TC_GET_PROPERTY to pass parameters between ECBs and functions

```
TPF_TESTSUITE ("airline.overbook", "TOV*");

TPF_TESTCASE (overbook_multiECB, "overbooking multiECB")
{
    int option = 1;
    TPF_TC_SET_PARAMETER("option",
        (void*) option, sizeof(option));

    swisc_create(...)

    TPF_TC_NEW_ECB();
}
```

New ECB

```
void main() {
    int length = 0;
    int option =
        *(int *) TPF_TC_GET_PROPERTY("option",length);

    switch (option) {
        ...
    }
}
```

- Parameters saved in shared memory
- Parameters can be set or obtained from any ECB participating in test case.
- Can be used for...
 - Test case specific processing in common routines.
 - Serialization of multi-ECB testing

Invoking Test Cases Using Command



- The ZDEVO command allows you to query and run automated tests that have been loaded to the z/TPF system.
 - Command has two primary parameters – **namespace(s)** and **test case(s)**
 - ZDEVO RUN **airline.overbook** **overbook_firstClass**
- Support for wildcards in namespace and test cases providing a better user experience
 - ZDEVO RUN **airline*** **overbook*** ←All namespaces starting with airline and all testcases starting with overbook
 - ZDEVO RUN **airline.overbook** **over*economy** ←All tests starting with “over” and ending in “economy”
- Testcase output is displayed on console and optionally written to file
 - All TPF_TC_INFO and TPF_TC_ERROR messages
 - “Quiet” option to only display testcase output on error

ZDEVO Examples

Querying Tests

```
zdevo info airline.overbook *
CSMP0097I 08.34.24 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0010I 08.34.24 TEST CASE INFORMATION DISPLAY
PGM      NAME                      DESCRIPTION
-----
*****
QOVb  airline.overbook
*****
QOVb  overbook_firstClass  overbooking in first class
QOVb  overbook_economy     overbooking in economy
*****
2 TEST CASES TOTAL
```

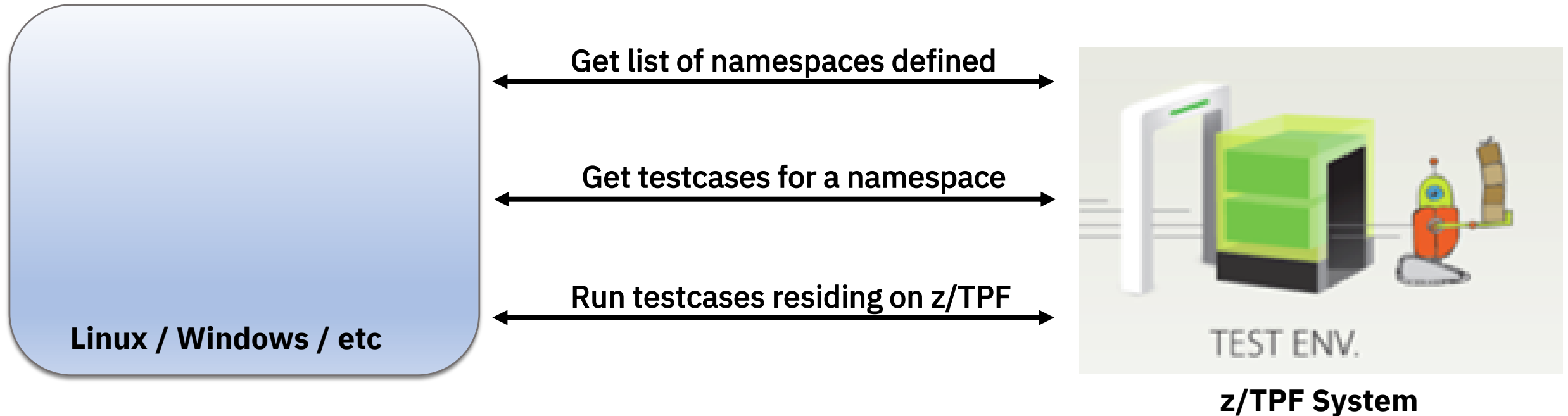
Running Tests

```
zdevo run airline.overbook overbook_economy quiet
CSMP0097I 08.32.22 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0004I 08.32.22 PROCESSING FOR THE SELECTED
TEST CASES IS STARTED.
CSMP0097I 08.32.41 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0018I 08.32.41 1 TESTS WERE COMPLETED.
                        1 PASSED, 0 FAILED, 0 SKIPPED+
```

```
zdevo run airline.overbook * quiet
CSMP0097I 08.32.22 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0004I 08.32.22 PROCESSING FOR THE SELECTED
TEST CASES IS STARTED.
CSMP0097I 08.32.41 CPU-B SS-BSS  SSU-HPN  IS-01
DEVO0018I 08.32.41 2 TESTS WERE COMPLETED.
                        2 PASSED, 0 FAILED, 0 SKIPPED+
```

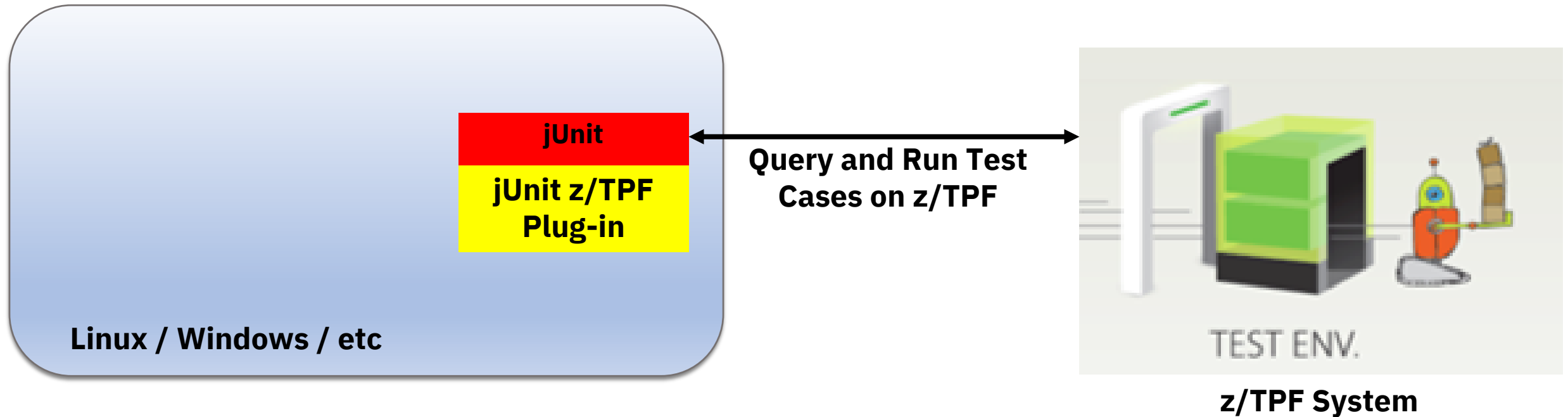
Invoking Test Cases Remotely

REST services have been created to query and run tests from a remote platform



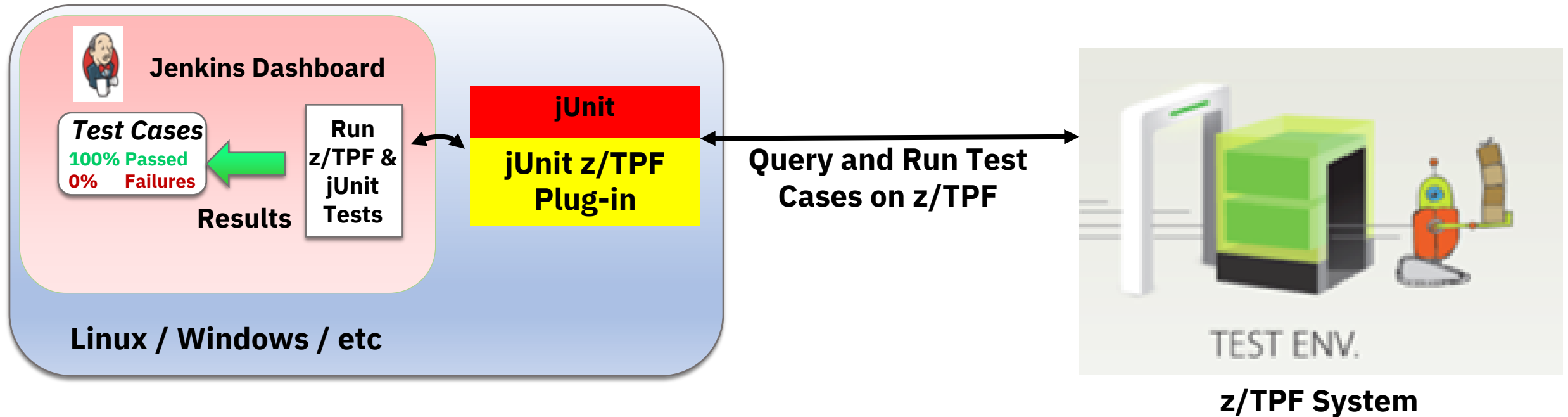
The jUnit Plugin for z/TPF

Provides the ability to run z/TPF automated tests from a Java application (ie. jUnit) on a remote platform

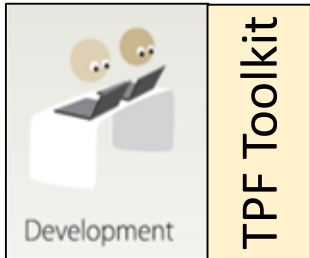


Integrating Into Automated Testing Platforms

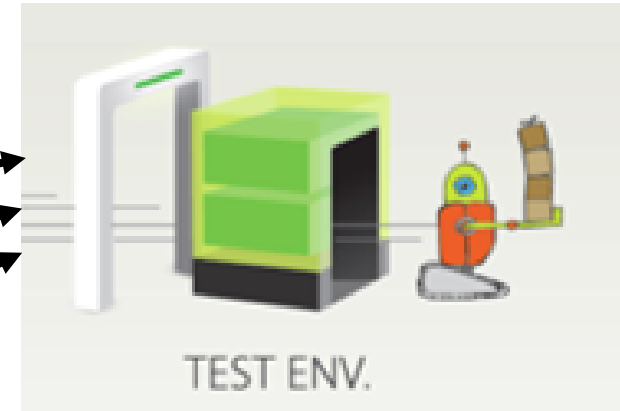
Can integrate into Open Tooling packages like Jenkins to facilitate automated testing



Expanding Test Coverage



Query and Run Test Cases on z/TPF



Performance Test	
Function Test	Unit Test (White Box)
	Black Box Testing



Automated Regression Test

- Tests can be invoked on z/TPF from anywhere!
- Tests residing on z/TPF can be combined with external block box tests
 - Testing end-to-end application messages

Value Statement



- The z/TPF automated testing framework allows you to create automated tests on the z/TPF system
 - The test framework can be integrated into automated test platforms.
- A z/TPF automated testing environment...
 - Leads to more efficient and effective testing
 - Test organizations can focus on more complex testing
 - Shifts testing left to find problems earlier
 - Reduces costs when problems are found
 - Results in a faster time to market
 - Improved code quality.

Recap



- The z/TPF Automated Test Framework requires the following
 - **PJ45217, 1Q 2018** -- Infrastructure APAR
 - **PJ43782, 3Q 2018** -- Initial support (invocations from ZDEVO)
 - **PJ45488, 4Q 2018** -- Remote invocation support
 - Includes delivery and support of the z/TPF junit plugin.

Thank You!

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