Enhancing FreeBSD Test Suite Parallelism

FreeBSD jail in jail after years of Linux docker in docker



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- A software engineer since the 90's
- Held various roles: Software Architect, Technology Advocate & Coach, DevOps, Tech Lead, Team Lead, Project Manager, CTO
- Worked with organizations of different sizes, from startups to international corporations like Nokia Networks
- At different levels, from assembly lang and reverse engineering up to consumer-facing stand-alone, mobile, and web apps

• This talk is about one of my FreeBSD contributions

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- > kyua test

```
program
                                                                             binary
  > kyua -v parallelism=8 test
                                                        Kvuafile
syntax(2)
test suite("FreeBSD")
                                                                                test
                                                                               program
test program{name="arp", is exclusive="true"}
                                                                               script
atf_test_program{name="ptrace test", timeout="15"}
```

test

And there are FreeBSD Jails

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Virtual Machine as a metaphor





Testing of FreeBSD network modules



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- > kyua -v parallelism=8 test



The outcome

• Switching PF (Packet Filter) firewall tests to this feature was very easy:

```
-TEST_METADATA+= is_exclusive=true
```

```
+TEST METADATA+= execenv="jail"
```

```
+TEST_METADATA+= execenv_jail_params="vnet allow.raw_sockets"
```

 It depends, but there are reports that it takes several minutes instead of half an hour using the same environment



Developer satisfaction

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- Probably, FreeBSD PF has the best test coverage among open source firewalls

Thank you





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