

Improving testing and development of mobile applications

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Mobile is the NEXT dominant phase of computing



Building a mobile application is more than just writing the code

Specific challenges in building mobile apps:

Imperatives from line of business & customers

- Strong demand by Line of Business
- Customers expect higher quality of user experience with mobile apps
- More direct involvement from users/stakeholders in design

Fragmentation of technology and platforms

- Highly fragmented set of mobile devices and platforms
- Native programming models not portable across devices.
- Very large number of configurations of devices, platforms, carriers, etc. to test

Urgent time-to-market, rapid pace of innovation

- Mobile landscape evolves at a much faster pace
- More frequent releases and updates for apps with more urgent timeto-market demands
- Lack of best practices guidance on how to deliver mobile applications



How do you develop for and test against multiple platforms effectively?

How do you align business and development?

How do you gain control of your development process and accelerate time to delivery?

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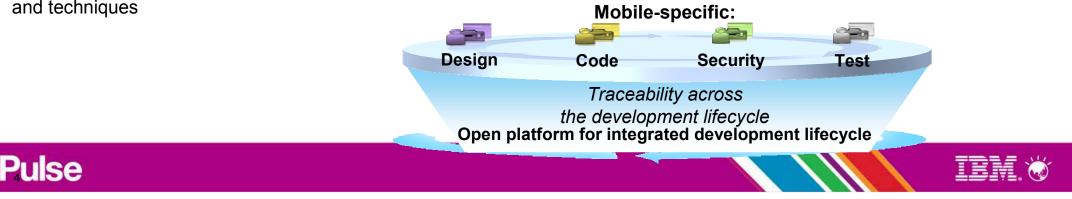
Rational helps you manage your mobile application development lifecycle and provide mobile specific-capabilities to accelerate your development and test

Rational CLM helps you manage your development lifecycle:

- Traceability of development activity across entire project lifecycle
- Real-time planning that is consistently accurate and up-todate
- Tightly integrated with mobile code development capabilities
- Centralized code sharing and distributed mobile app build
- Integrate and manage full range of mobile testing tools and techniques

Mobile specific-capabilities help you accelerate your development and test:

- Code construction tool using web-based technology to write multi-platform applications
- Distributed builds of mobile applications
- On-device functional testing of mobile applications



IBM MobileFirst – Rational's Point of View

Continuous delivery of quality, multi-tiered mobile applications

Quality & Test Automation



41% of projects fail to deliver expected business ROI

- •Automate testing for native & hybrid mobile apps
- •Virtualize middle-tier and back-end services and systems
- •Manage quality through open interfaces

Continuous Delivery



25+ Almost all expect to deploy more than 25 mobility applications in the next two years

•Reduce response time to feedback

- •Continuously build, install, test
- •Adopt agile processes
- •Collaborate throughout the development lifecycle

Extension to the Enterprise



Nearly 90% of developers are currently extending enterprise apps to mobile or plan to in the near future

•Collaborate and integrate across frontend & back-end teams

- •Extend the reach of enterprise data
- •Embrace end-to-end development and test

IBM Rational solutions extend the IBM Worklight platform. Our solutions deliver what's needed for comprehensive mobile testing, exploiting existing infrastructure, and leveraging continuous delivery.

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- Customers demand good user experience
- Customer facing (B2C) applications
 - 'Face of the Business'
 - Engage customer personally and drive loyalty
 - User experience is key to brand perception
- Employee facing (B2E) applications
 - Increase worker productivity
 - Speed decision making and action
 - Poor user experience compromises investment



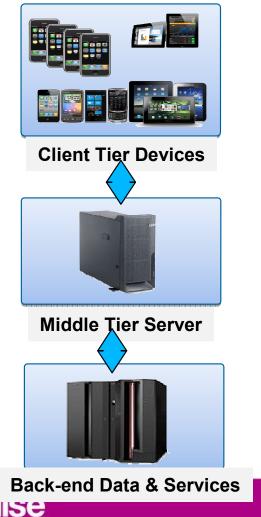




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Why is Mobile testing different?

#1: Testing involves much more than just the mobile front-end



- Fragmentation of the endpoints (Mobile OS, form factors, screen resolutions) is unprecedented:
 - Thousands of phone models in use WW, ~300+ new smart phones/tablets released in 2011
 - Carriers and manufacturers push for device refresh every 24 months
- Mid-tier is increasingly under stress
 - Heavy focus on services APIs to facilitate quick mobile application development/updates
 - Network considerations (throughput, latency, disconnected use) are resulting in performance issues
- Backend data & services are hindering development/ test agility
 - Often 5x the number of developers on mid-tier/backend vs mobile application to deliver a mobile solution
 - End-to-end testing requires bringing together very complex infrastructures

Why is Mobile testing different?

#2: New specific testing challenges exist

- New functional testing challenges
 - Context awareness: location, applications interactions
 - Variable states: connected/disconnected, device orientatio
- User experience focus is much more critical
 - Usability testing
 - Translation testing
 - In-network testing (average response time, QoS)



Order the closest cab to my location







What do mobile testers need?





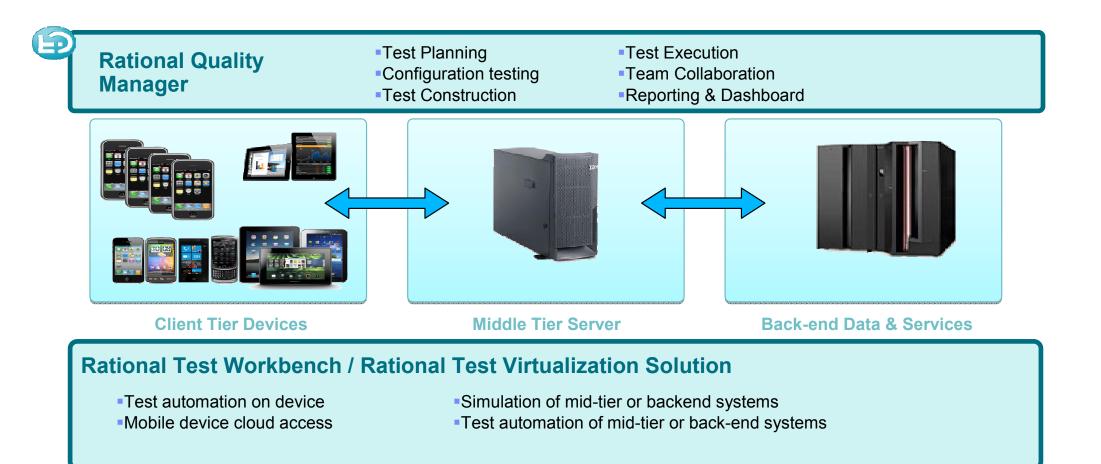


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IBM Rational mobile testing solution



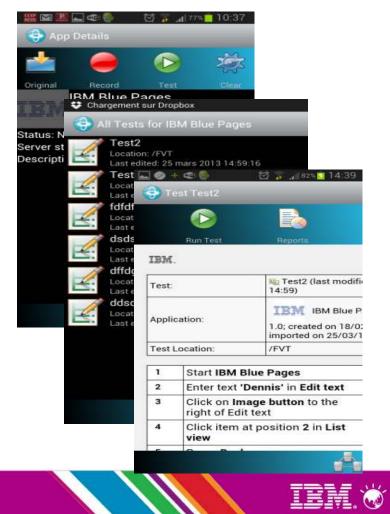




Automated Mobile Functional Testing

Delivering support for native, web, and hybrid applications on Android and iOS

- Supported Mobile Operating Systems
 - Android 2.2+
 - IOS 6+
 - Android & iOS hybrid apps
 - HTML5/CSS3
 - JQuery Mobile
- Capture (record) a test from a physical device or mobile emulator
- Structured test definition language (ClearScript) simplifies authoring and supports multi-language
- Shares multi-channel, Keyword, and execution capabilities within the Rational Test Workbench
- Shell-share provides seamless transition from Worklight to RTW



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- 4 steps-testing approach:
 - Recording: play your test first with the recording-ready app and generate a test script
 - Authoring: edit and enhance the test script by adding verification points and others instructions
 - Playback: run the test script on a real device, a simulator or an emulator
 - Reporting: generate an HTML report



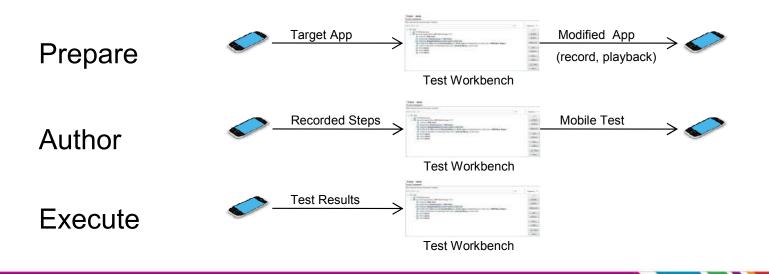






Rational Test Workbench – Record and Playback

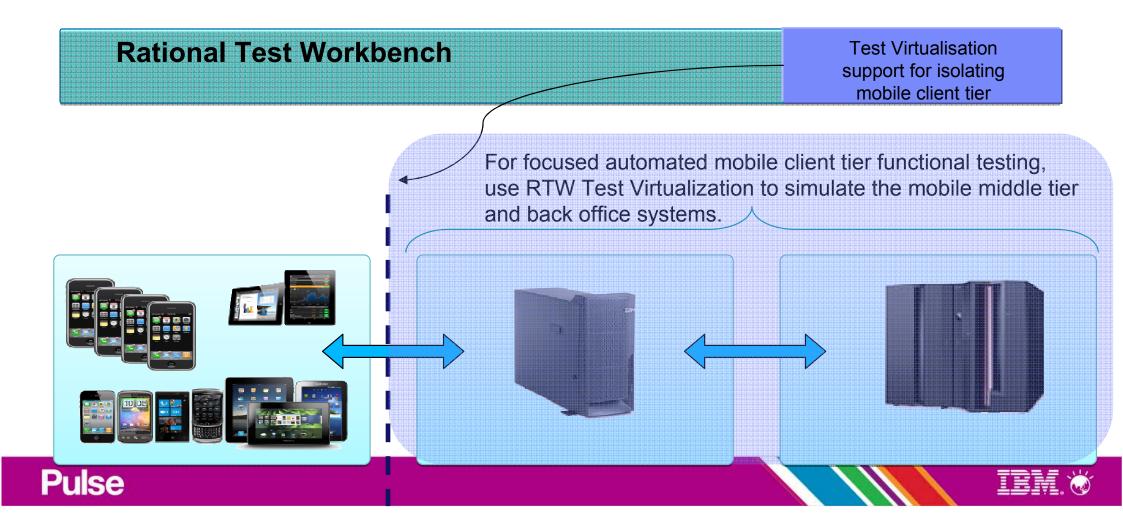
Test WorkbenchAn Integrated Development Environment (IDE) to prepare mobile applications for testing and
create and modify mobile testsMobile ClientAllows the recording and playback of test scenarios on the mobile deviceTest EditorEnable test creation using English narrative and application images to define test steps and
verificationsTest ReportsVisualize the test flow and report on test failures







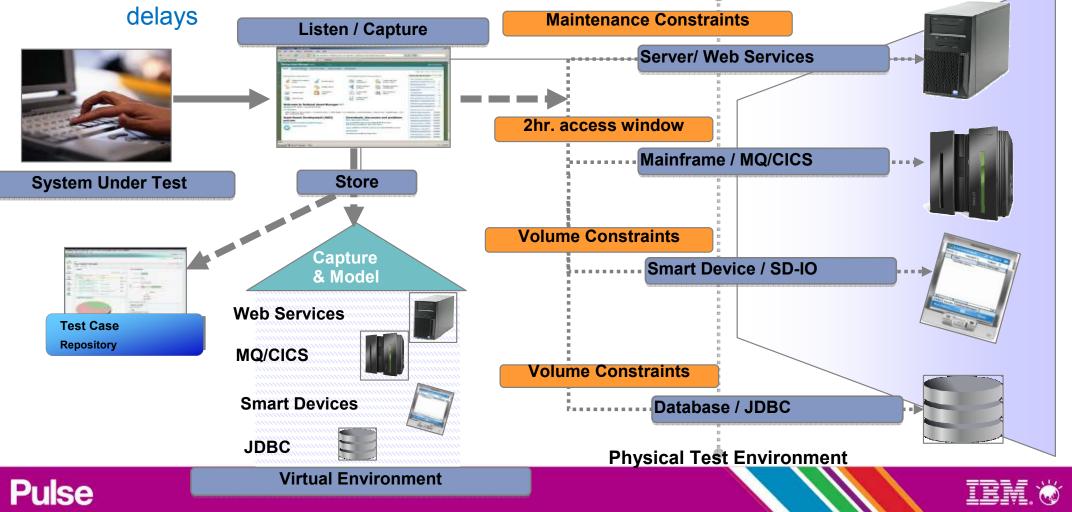
RTW supports isolating tiers of the app for focused mobile testing





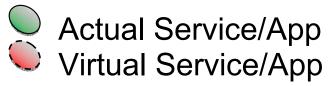
Virtualise back-end interfaces and services

Test at the API layer avoiding last minute integration nightmares and delivery



IBM Rational Test Virtualization Solution is a key enabler for Continuous Integration Testing

- Test Virtualization is an enabler for continuous Integration Testing
 - Isolate front-end from back-end
 - Control over data and interface
 - Decrease expensive setup costs



 Services, applications, systems are introduced into the continuous integration cycle in a prioritized, controlled fashion.

Incremental Integration Testing

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IBM Rational Test Virtualization Solution

A Smarter Solution for Better Quality in Mobile Applications

Significantly Lesser Test Lab costs	 Test lab infrastructure costs can be reduced by up to 90% Labor involved in setting up test environments can be reduced by 80%+ Reduced or eliminated the cost of invoking 3rd party systems for non-production use, fee-based web services
Reduced Cycle Time	 Test environments can be configured in minutes vs weeks More testers can be focused on testing, rather than configuring test environments More regression testing can be done independently from the Mobile User Interface, during development
Lower Risk	 Developers have the means to test software earlier at the Service/API level Large teams working on different parts of an application or system can effectively do parallel development by virtualising different parts of the system
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Quality management techniques can help ensure adequate test coverage in the fragmented environment

- Test coverage optimization
 - Testing against all possible combinations of devices, OS versions, carriers, etc requires large combinatorial number of tests
 - Combinatorial optimization can dramatically cut down on number of test cases that need to be run while providing coverage for interaction between environment factors

"Mobile device cloud" services

- Sometimes it is necessary to test on specific devices/carriers -
- Maintaining a huge library of device across the world is impossible/extremely costly
- "device-cloud" services provide virtual access to physical devices

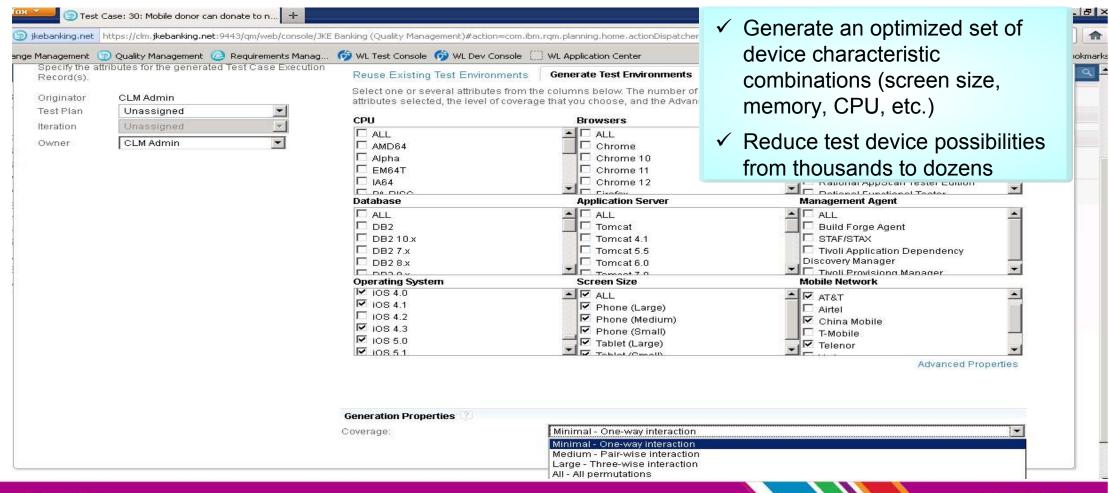








Test environment optimization









Test integrated fully into the process

- ✓ No wasted effort development is gualitative and aligned to the agreed upon requirements at the right time
- Quality Assured test teams know exactly what requirements and functionality have and haven't been tested
- ✓ Whole team buy-in improves team trust, efficiency and focus

Artifact

User Story Elaboration

Dividend alloc A Release 1.0 Backlog [Release 1.0]

JKE Banking

Iteration: Release 1.0 (3/6/10 - 10/17/10)

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Allocate dividends

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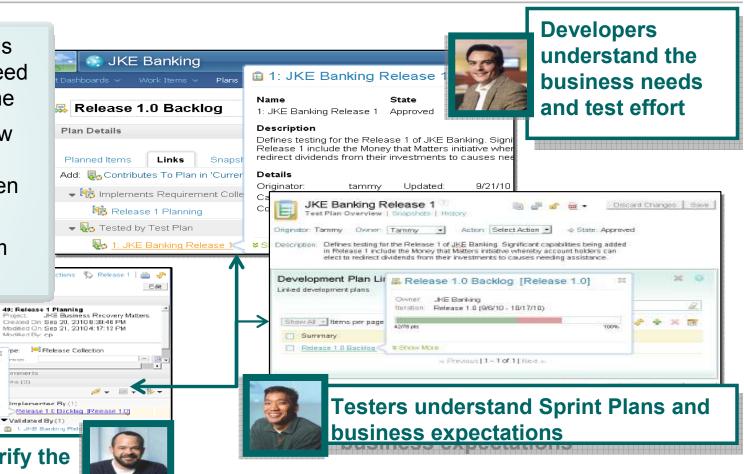
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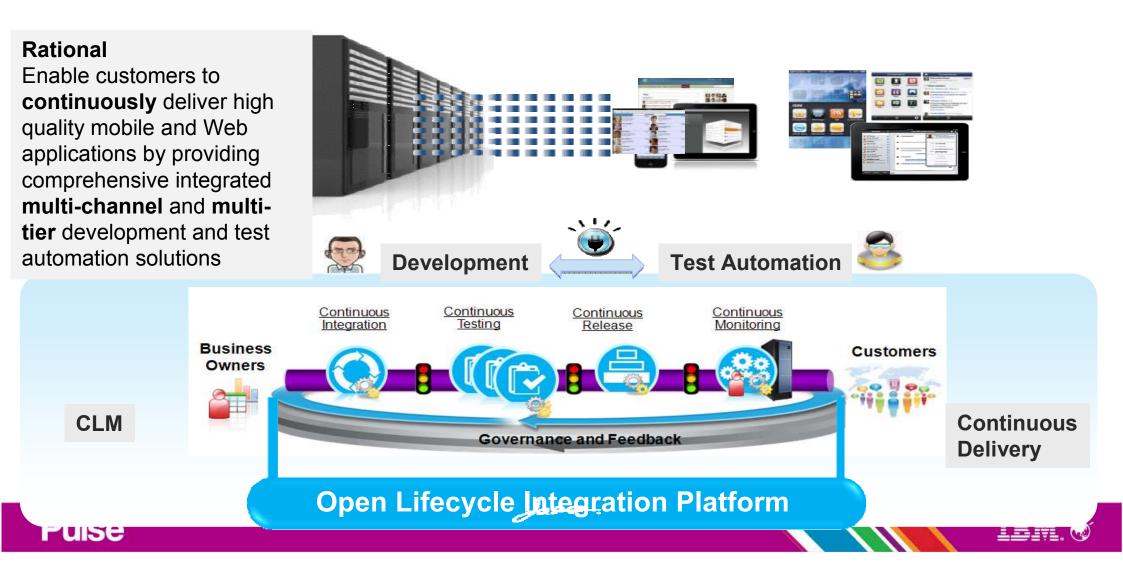
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Rational accelerates delivery of enterprise mobile applications











IBM MobileFirst Journey Workshops

One day interactive workshop with an IBM Mobile expert to help enterprises plan and develop a customized roadmap for success



Workshop



For Line of business and IT leaders seeking expertise and experience in developing, enhancing, and/or executing their mobile enterprise strategy.

Client Value



- Industry expertise with top use cases and successes
- Capability assessment including identification of opportunities and gaps in mobile strategy
- A detailed client report and next steps

Highlights



- Interactive discussion to understand client business drivers, pains and requirements
- Overview of IBM MobileFirst Strategy, technology and POV's
- Industry trends and imperatives
- Structured working session to outline next steps

To schedule a workshop, email: ibmmobile@us.ibm.com









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Benefits of Rational Mobile Solution

- ✓ Reduced time-to-deliver mobile applications (deliver new applications and updates to employees and consumers in less time)
- Lowered development and test costs (reduce costs associated with training and maintaining multiple development teams and their infrastructures)
- ✓ Improved mobile application quality (make end-users happy and more productive)
- ✓ Increased alignment between LOB and development (ensure applications meet business goals the first time)
- ✓ Integrated, end-to-end development tools
- ✓ Tools to extend existing assets on IBM Enterprise Platforms (System z and Power) as mobile-consumable services



