

# what's happening with pbuilder?

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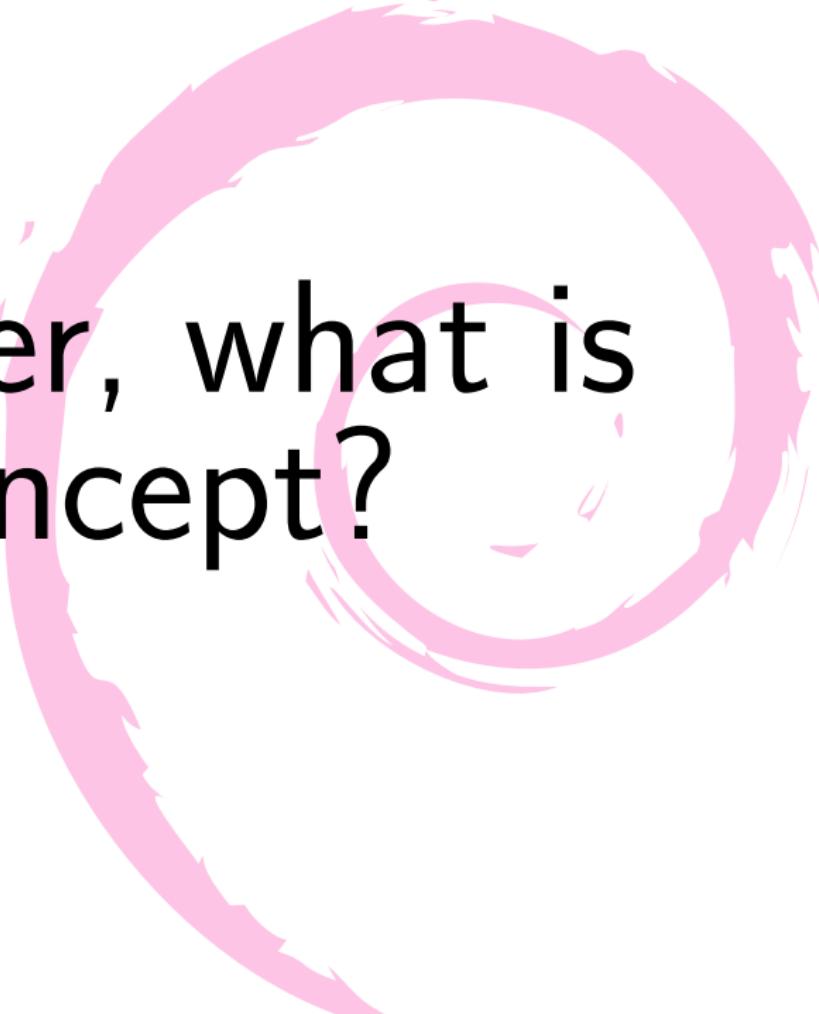
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# Who is this guy?

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- ▶ Debian Developer since 2000
- ▶ Interests: Audio-processing related tools, and Debian quality maintenance related tools, Japanese localization, shared library packaging, and more recently, Debian/MacBook related.

# Agenda?

- ▶ pbuilder
- ▶ pbuilder-uml
- ▶ cowbuilder
- ▶ qemubuilder

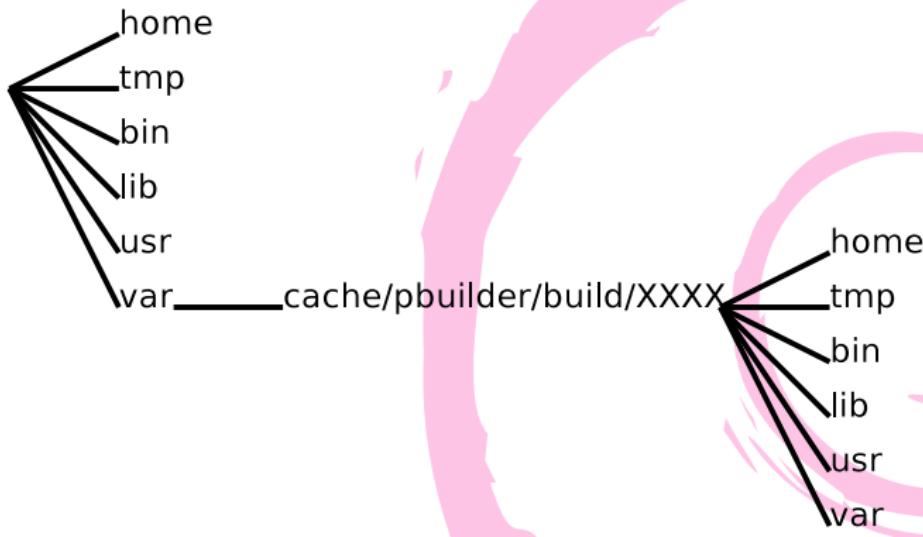
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**pbuilder, what is  
the concept?**

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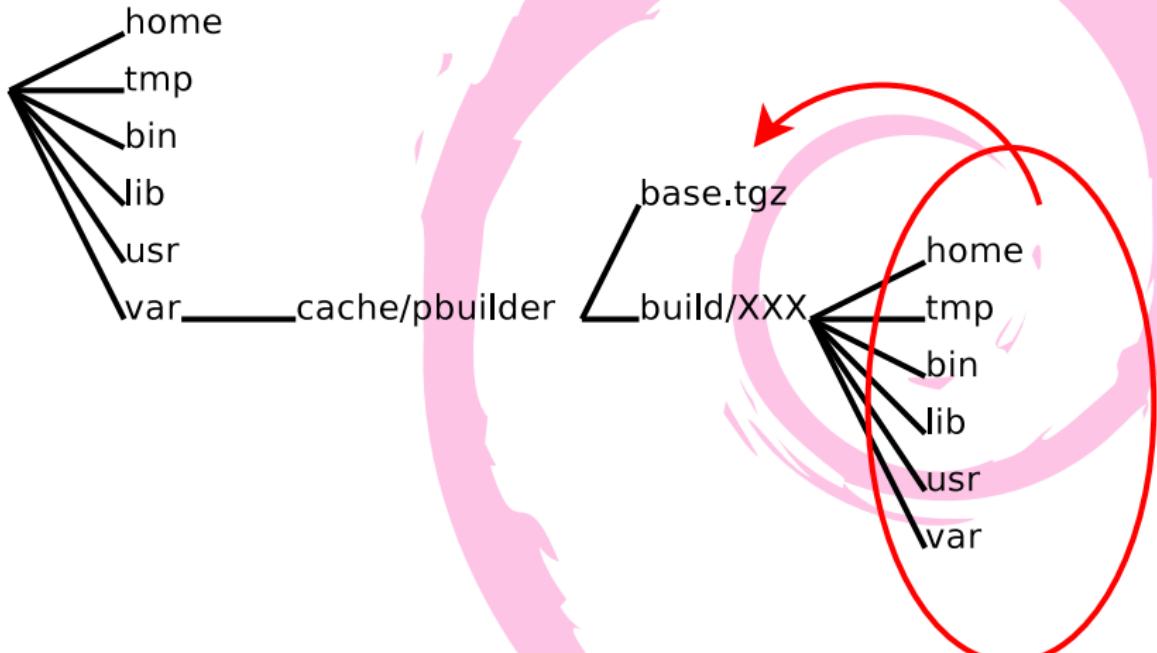
# What is a chroot?

# concept of a chroot

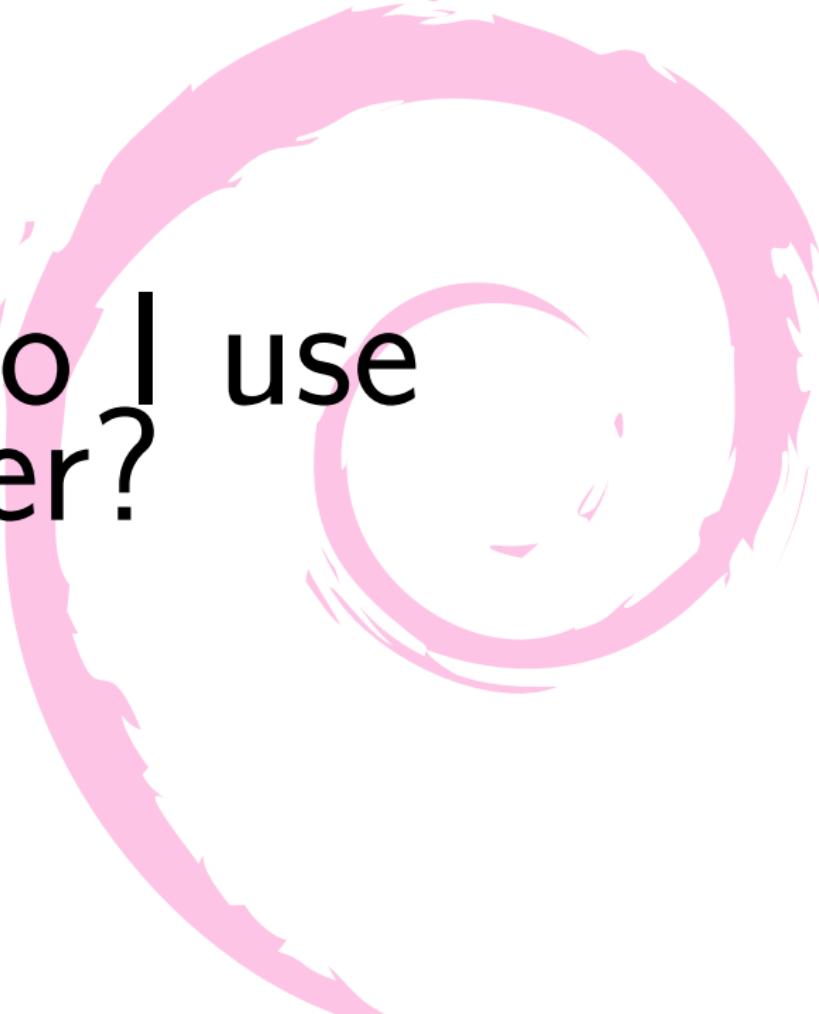


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# chroot  
/var/cache/pbuilder/build/XXX  
bin/bash
```

# concept of pbuilder



```
# pbuilder --XXXX
```

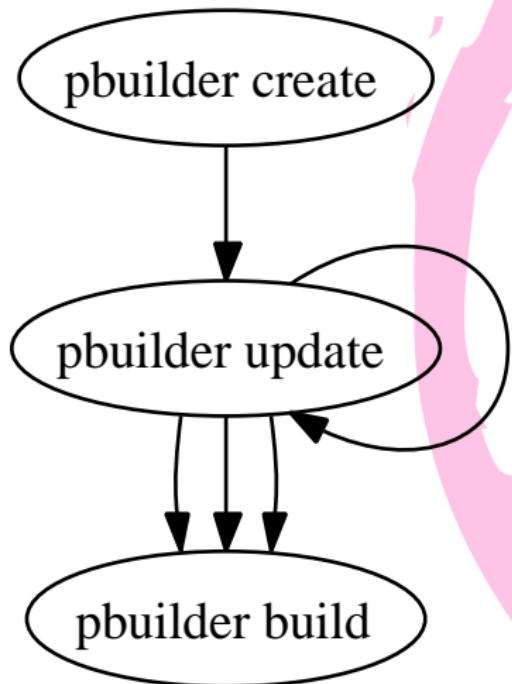


How do I use  
pbuilder?

# installing pbuilder

```
# apt-get install pbuilder  
# vi /etc/pbuilderrc  
# evince  
/usr/share/doc/pbuilder/  
pbuilder-doc.pdf
```

# pbuilder basics



- ▶ done once to create base filesystem.
- ▶ twice a day to follow unstable updates, to revise base filesystem.
- ▶ for each package build to build Debian package inside chroot.

# pbuilder --create

```
# pbuilder --create  
Distribution is sid.  
Building the build environment  
-> running debootstrap  
/usr/sbin/debootstrap  
I: Retrieving Release  
I: Retrieving Packages  
I: Validating Packages  
. .
```

# pbuilder --update

```
# pbuilder --update
W: /home/dancer/.pbuilderrc does not exist
Building the build Environment
-> extracting base tarball [/var/cache/pool/main/b/base.tar.gz]
.
.
```

# pbuilder --build

```
# pbuilder --build dsh_*.dsc
I: using fakeroot in build.
Current time: Sat Jan 20 12:03:34 JST
pbuilder-time-stamp: 1169262214
Building the build Environment
-> extracting base tarball [/home/dan
-> creating local configuration
.
.
```

# pbuilder --login

```
# pbuilder --login --bindmount ${HOME}
I: using fakeroot in build.
Current time: Sat Jan 20 12:03:34 JST
pbuilder-time-stamp: 1169262214
Building the build Environment
-> extracting base tarball [/home/dan
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.
```

pdebuild



# pdebuild

```
$ ls debian/rules
```

```
debian/rules
```

```
$ pdebuild
```

```
W: /home/dancer/.pbuilderrc does not exist
```

```
dpkg-buildpackage: source package is current
```

```
dpkg-buildpackage: source version is 0.1.0
```

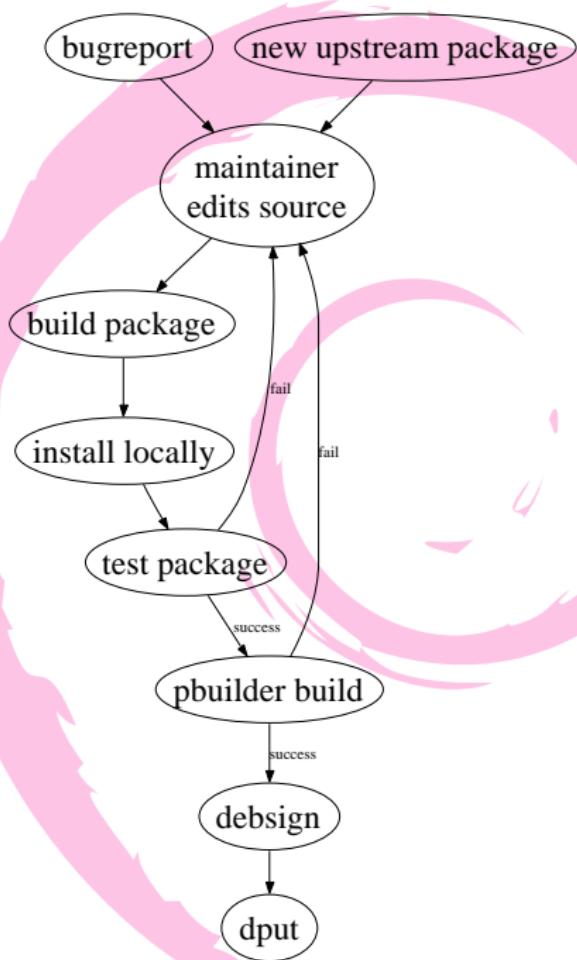
```
dpkg-buildpackage: source changed by Jelmer
```

```
dpkg-buildpackage: source version with fakeroot
```

```
debian/rules clean
```

```
dh_testdir
```

# How do you main- tain your package today?



# pbuilder backend variations

- ▶ LVM
- ▶ UML
- ▶ cowdancer
- ▶ qemu

## Motivation

- ▶ limitation in chroot segregation (process space, filesystem)
- ▶ COW filesystem optimization (tarball extraction slow.)

uml



different method of segregation  
COW block device support

# cowbuilder

Speed up through use of copy-on-write filesystem.

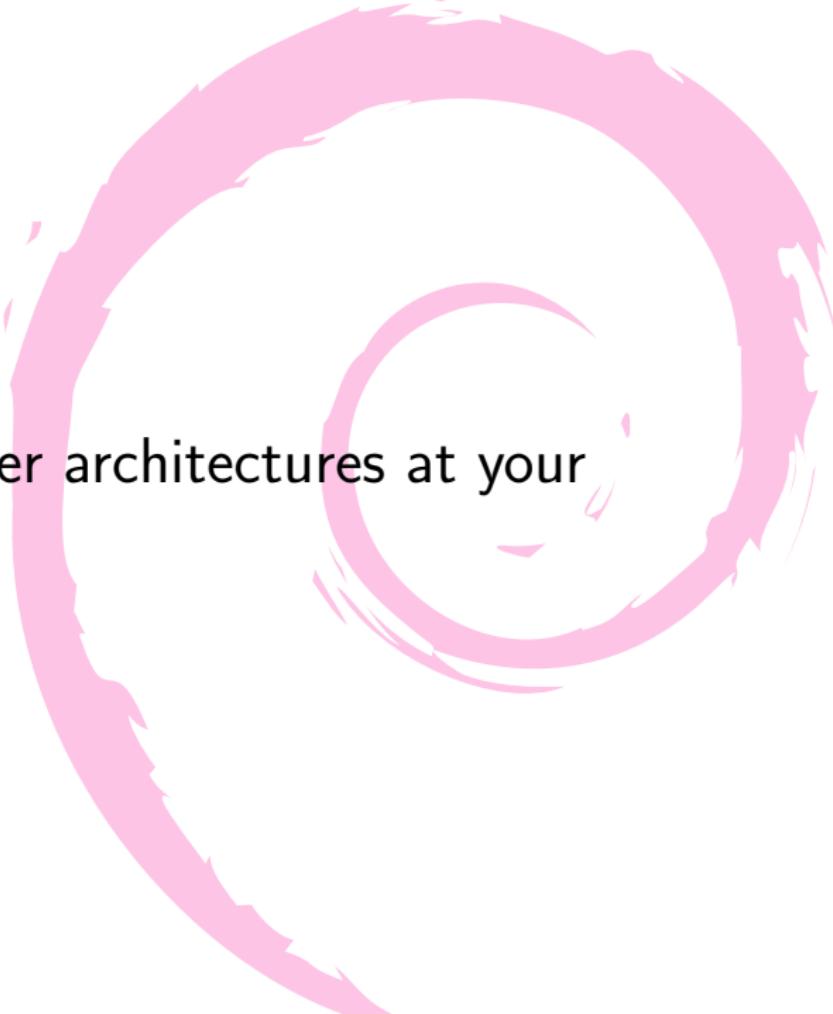
Just a matter of:

```
# cp -al  
    /var/cache/pbuilder/base.cow  
    /var/cache/pbuilder/build/XXX  
  
# chroot  
    /var/cache/pbuilder/build/XXX  
    cow-shell
```

# Concepts of cowdancer

- ▶ Usage: hardlink files, LD\_PRELOAD libcowdancer.so; trap libc calls likely to cause file writes (open, etc) and break the hardlink.
- ▶ light-weight compared to other solutions (no extra partition, no LVM, no extra kernel modules/patches )
- ▶ cow-shell into it.

# gemubuilder

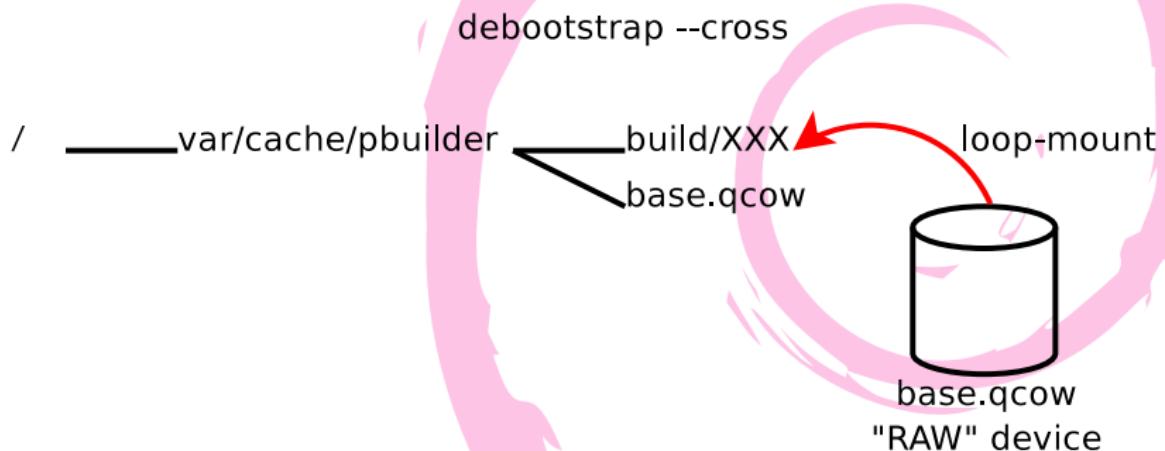


Try running other architectures at your  
fingertips?

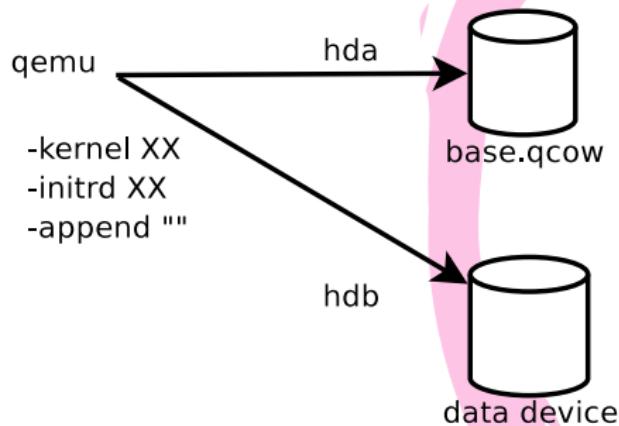
# qemubuilder example config

```
KERNEL_IMAGE=2.6.18-4-mips-di-vmlinux
INITRD=2.6.18-4-mips-di-initrd.gz
ARCH=mips
BASEPATH=
/var/cache/pbuilder/base-mips.qemu
```

# qemubuilder details... create



# qemubuilder details... build



root filesystem  
init:

mount /dev/hdb  
run script there

Files for building

.dsc  
.orig.tar.gz  
etc..



qemubuilder  
—create —config  
mips.config

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qemubuilder  
–update –config  
mips.config



qemubuilder  
–build –config  
mips.config  
XXX.dsc

# qemubuilder --login

```
$ sudo qemubuilder --login --config pb  
bash: /root/.pbuilderrc: No such file  
fsck 1.40-WIP (14-Nov-2006)  
e2fsck 1.40-WIP (14-Nov-2006)  
/home/dancer/tmp/base-mips.qemu: clean  
1+0 records in  
1+0 records out  
1048576 bytes (1.0 MB) copied, 0.02298  
mke2fs 1.40-WIP (14-Nov-2006)
```

# gemubuilder –login

```
.  
. .  
hostname: the specified hostname is im  
bound to 10.0.2.15 -- renewal in 35272  
bash: no job control in this shell  
root@pbuilder-coreduo:/#
```

# further ideas

- ▶ install testing
- ▶ package testing

# related tools

- ▶ schroot
- ▶ piuparts
- ▶ autopkgtest

thanks to

- ▶ Loïc Minier
- ▶ Mattia Dongili
- ▶ Matt Kraai
- ▶ ... others as in AUTHORS / THANKS file.

# References

- ▶ Information:  
`/usr/share/doc/pbuilder/  
pbuilder-doc.pdf`, <http://pbuilder.alioth.debian.org/>
- ▶ alioth project:  
<http://alioth.debian.org/projects/pbuilder>
- ▶ git repository:  
`git-clone  
  
git://git.debian.org/git/pbuilder/pbuilder.git`



# Questions?