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Firmware Test Suite - Uses, Development, Contribution and GPL

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- Contributing Patches
- GPLv2 & FWTS
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Introduction

What is Firmware Test Suite (FWTS)?

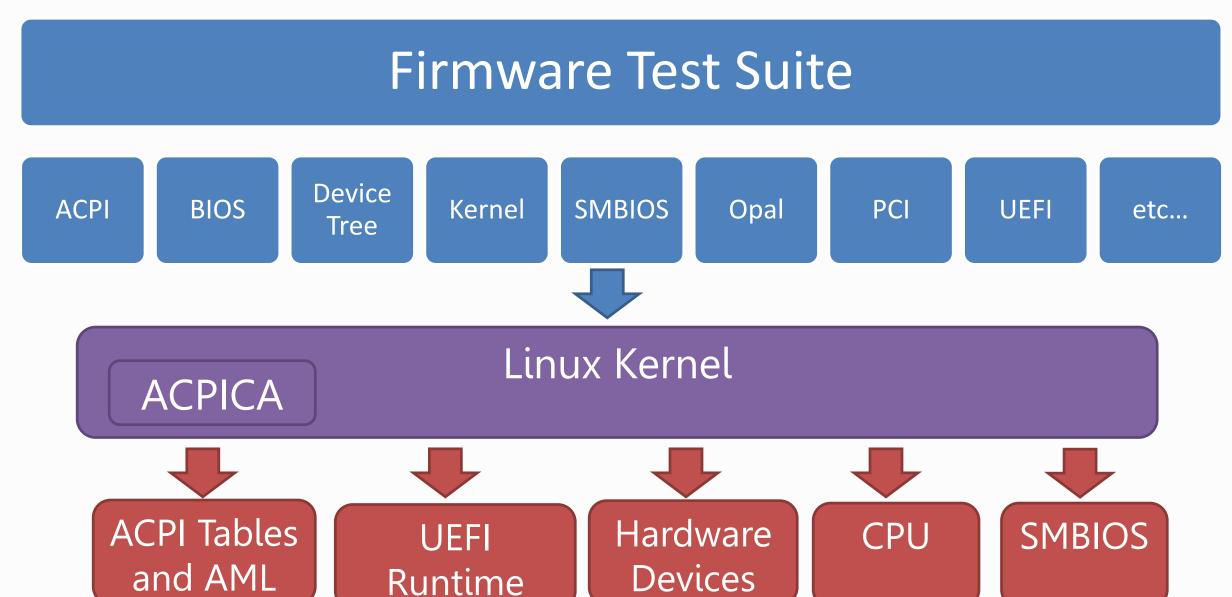
- The recommended ACPI SCT
- Open-source Linux tool that automates firmware checking
- Detect bugs and advise firmware engineers
 - Test interactions between Linux & firmware
 - Gather firmware data for debug

What is Firmware Test Suite (FWTS)?

- A good choice if one wants to implement new tests for specific features
 - Device Tree (an alternative for ACPI)
 - -SBBR (a requirement for ARM server)
 - —OPAL (for IBM PowerPC)

FWTS Framework & Tests





FWTS Architecture – ACPI



ACPI

acpitables

apicinstance

asf

aspt

bert

boot

checksum

more ACPI tables...

FWTS Architecture – UEFI



UEFI Runtime Test

csm

esrt

securebootcert

uefibootpatch

h uerfiauthvar

uefirtmisc

uefirttime

uefirtvariable



Installation & Uses

Getting FWTS-LIVE



- Download http://fwts.ubuntu.com/fwts-live/
- Make bootable fwts-live USB disk
 - Linux:
 - Identify USB disk: dmesg | tail -10 | grep Attached
 - Copy image: sudo dd if=fwts-live-17.08.00.img
 of=/dev/sdb; sync
 - Windows: Use "Win32 Disk Imager"

Installing FWTS in Ubuntu



- Add apt-repository for latest release
 - —sudo add-apt-repository ppa:firmwaretesting-team/ppa-fwts-stable
- Install fwts
 - -sudo apt update
 - -sudo apt install fwts fwts-frontend

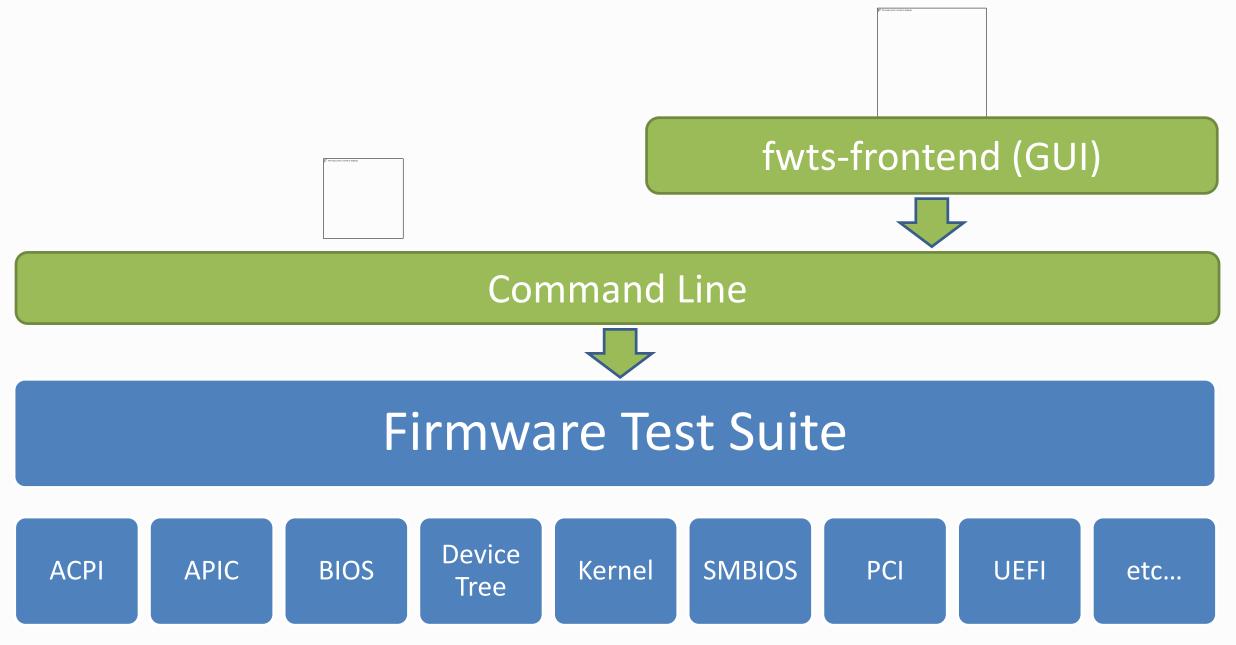




- Download source code
 - git clone git://kernel.ubuntu.com/hwe/fwts.git
 - git clone https://github.com/ColinlanKing/fwts
- Setup build environment & configure
 - sudo apt-get build-dep fwts
 - autoreconf -ivf && ./configure
- Compile and install
 - make clean && make -j4 (= 4 threads)
 - sudo make install

FWTS User Interfaces





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- Run a single test, ex. C states
 - sudo fwts cpufreq
- Run multiple tests, ex. C states + PCle ASPM
 - sudo fwts cpufreq aspm
- Run all ACPI tests + all UEFI tests
 - sudo fwts --acpitests --uefitests
- View all tests
 - fwts --show-tests-full

Using FWTS – Command Line



```
alexhung@moon:~$ sudo fwts cpufreq aspm
Running 2 tests, results appended to results.log
Test: CPU frequency scaling tests.
  CPU frequency table consistency
                                                          1 passed
 CPU frequency table duplicates
                                                          1 passed
 CPU frequency firmware limits
                                                          1 passed
 CPU frequency claimed maximum
                                                          1 passed
 CPU frequency SW ANY control
                                                          1 skipped
  CPU frequency SW ALL control
                                                          1 skipped
  CPU frequency performance tests.
                                                          1 skipped
Test: PCIe ASPM test.
  PCIe ASPM ACPI test.
 PCIe ASPM registers test.
                                                          1 passed, 2 warnings
alexhung@moon:~$
```





Fir	This will run a suite of firmware tests that will check the BIOS and ACPI tables. It can also find issues that can cause Linux problems. The default below is to run just all the Batch Tests, but you can select more tests below if required. Please select below (using cursor up/down and space) and press enter to continue. (*) All All Batch Tests () ACPI ACPI Tests () UEFI UEFI Tests () Recommended Recommended Tests () Selected Select Individual Tests () Abort Abort Testing	99
	<pre>< 0K > <cancel> < Help ></cancel></pre>	





```
Firmware Test Suite
                           Select Tests to Run
     Select from the list below the test(s) you want to run. Use
     up/down cursor keys, space to select and enter to start:
               General ACPI information test.
               ACPI table headers sanity tests.
              APIC edge/level test.
               Test for single instance of APIC/MADT table.
               ASF! Alert Standard Format Table test.
               PCIe ASPM test.
              ASPT Table test.
              Automated LCD brightness test.
               BERT Boot Error Record Table test.
               BGRT Boot Graphics Resource Table test.
               BIOS32 Service Directory test.
               Gather BIOS DMI information.
                                                              11%
                                <Cancel>
                                               < Help >
```

Using FWTS – fwts-frontend-text



Firmware Test Suite
Running ACPI Tests
578 passed, 21 failed, 3 warnings, 1 aborted, 187 skipped, 5 info only. 83.06% total run complete (6 seconds). Processor C state support test.
Running test #52 of 62: Test all CPUs C-states.
E09/
50%

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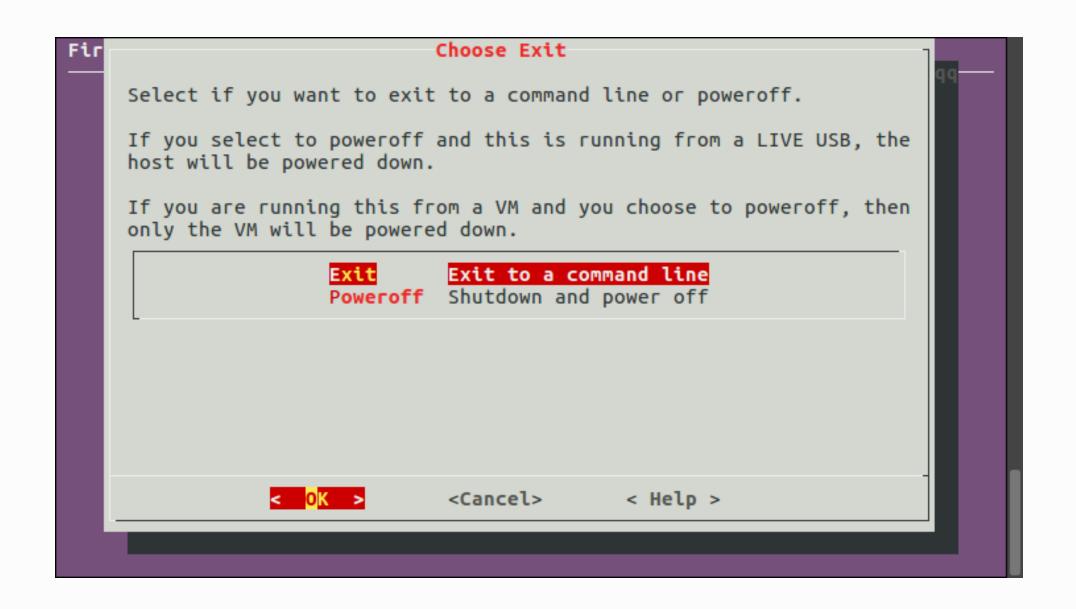
Using FWTS – fwts-frontend-text





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Results.log



```
Results generated by fwts: Version V17.08.00 (2017-08-30 06:30:53).
Some of this work - Copyright (c) 1999 - 2017, Intel Corp. All rights reserved.
Some of this work - Copyright (c) 2010 - 2017, Canonical.
Some of this work - Copyright (c) 2016 - 2017, IBM.
Some of this work - Copyright (c) 2017, ARM Ltd.
This test run on 19/09/17 at 21:04:24 on host Linux moon 4.10.0-33-generic
#37~16.04.1-Ubuntu SMP Fri Aug 11 14:07:24 UTC 2017 x86 64.
Command: "fwts cpufreq aspm".
Running tests: cpufreq aspm.
cpufreq: CPU frequency scaling tests.
WARNING: Test 1, Cannot set CPU 0 governor to userspace.
Failed to initialize cpufreq to set CPU speed
Test 1 of 7: CPU frequency table consistency
PASSED: Test 1, CPU frequency tables are consistent
Test 2 of 7: CPU frequency table duplicates
PASSED: Test 2, No duplicates in CPU frequency table
                                                              18,1
                                                                            Top
```

Results.log – Tests



```
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WARNING: Test 1, Cannot set CPU 0 governor to userspace.
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PASSED: Test 2, No duplicates in CPU frequency table
Test 3 of 7: CPU frequency firmware limits
PASSED: Test 3, No BIOS limits imposed
Test 4 of 7: CPU frequency claimed maximum
PASSED: Test 4, No max frequencies present
Test 5 of 7: CPU frequency SW_ANY control
SKIPPED: Test 5, Can't set CPU frequencies
Test 6 of 7: CPU frequency SW ALL control
SKIPPED: Test 6, Can't set CPU frequencies
Test 7 of 7: CPU frequency performance tests.
                                                              31,1
                                                                            20%
```

Results.log – Summary



```
5 passed, 0 failed, 2 warnings, 0 aborted, 3 skipped, 0 info only.
Test Failure Summary
Critical failures: NONE
High failures: NONE
Medium failures: NONE
Low failures: NONE
Other failures: NONE
               |Pass |Fail |Abort|Warn |Skip |Info
Test
aspm
cpufreq
Total:
                                                              70,0-1
                                                                            Bot
```



Adding New Tests

FWTS Directories



Firmware Test Suite

ACPI BIOS Device Tree Kernel SMBIOS Opal PCI UEFI etc...

```
alexhung@moon:~/src/fwts$ tree src -L 1 -d
STC
  - acpi
   acpica
   apic
   bios
   CMOS
   cpu
   devicetree
   dmi
   example
   hotkey
   ipmi
   kernel
   lib
   opal
   pci
   sbbr
   uefi
   utilities
```

```
alexhung@moon:~/src/fwts$ tree src/acpi -L 1 -d
src/acpi
   ac adapter
   acpidevices
   acpidump
   acpiinfo
   acpitables
   apicinstance
   asf
   aspt
   battery
   bert
   bgrt
  - boot
   brightness
  checksum
   срер
   crsdump
   csrt
   cstates
   dbg2
```





- [DEMO] adding DPPT table as an example
 - —Add to FWTS
 - Use iasl & fwts dumpfile to test the new table
- [DEMO] adding a new test group such as
 - acpitests



Contributing Patches

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Why do People Contribute?



- My manager asks me to
- A bug annoys me
- My name will show up in Google
- I can list this in LinkedIn
- I can get a free ticket to COSCUP
- All of the above

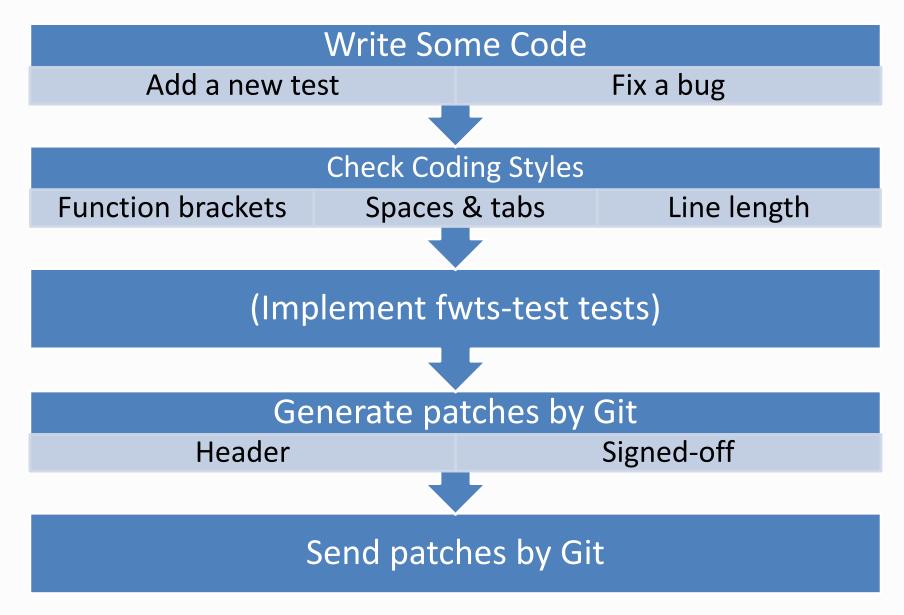
Why do Companies Contribute?



- Same reasons for any other open source projects
 - Framework is easy to add new features, ex.
 Device Tree
 - Existing code is available, ex. ARM's Server Base Boot Requirements (SBBR)
 - Example: Linux-Only-Spec (imaginary) that must exclude all Windows features
 - No DBGP, DBG2, MSDM, and SLIC etc...







Check Patch Formats



- Following Linux source code convention
 - Not as restricted
- Signed-off
- Common format errors
 - Examples

FWTS-TEST



- A test for testing FWTS implementation
 - -Check it
- Needed when adding new tests
- Ask us how to do it
 - We can help! (sometimes)



GPLv2 & FWTS

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GPLv2



- FWTS uses GPLv2
- GPL is a "Copy-Left" license
- Can-do & can't-do
- Implication
 - Contribute or not
 - Public & private PPA

Should I Upstream Patches?



- It depends
- But the answer is usually YES

Must I Release My Patches?



- It depends
- But the answer is usually NO
- Problems
 - Maintenance gets more and more difficult as FWTS grows

Are You 100% Certain?



- No
- Open source license is a complex topic
- Please consult professional lawyers



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