

# Using Eclipse to Build a Linux Distribution

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#### What This Talk is About...

- Looking behind the scenes: Fedora
- An Eclipse-based solution for the Fedora packaging problem



# Linux Distributions. There Are Many of Them...





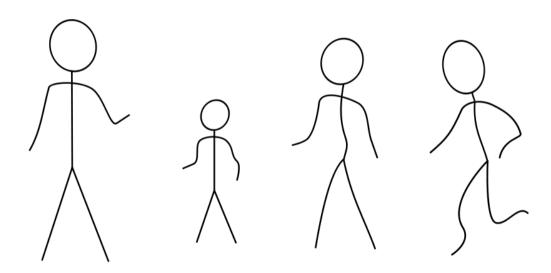
#### We Will Focus on Fedora





# Who Are The People Behind Fedora?

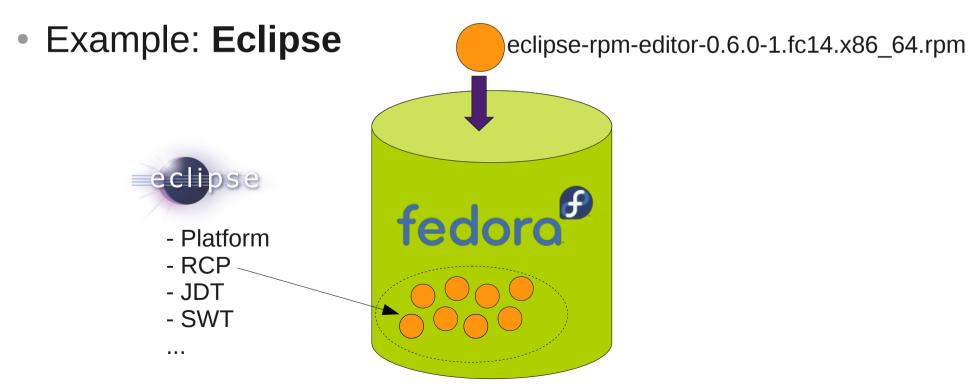
- Software engineers
- Packagers
- Designers
- Volunteers
- Students
- You?





# **OK, So What Exactly Is Fedora?**

- An operating system, a collection of applications. Many applications.
- One application, for example Eclipse, may be provided by a collection of packages (RPMs)



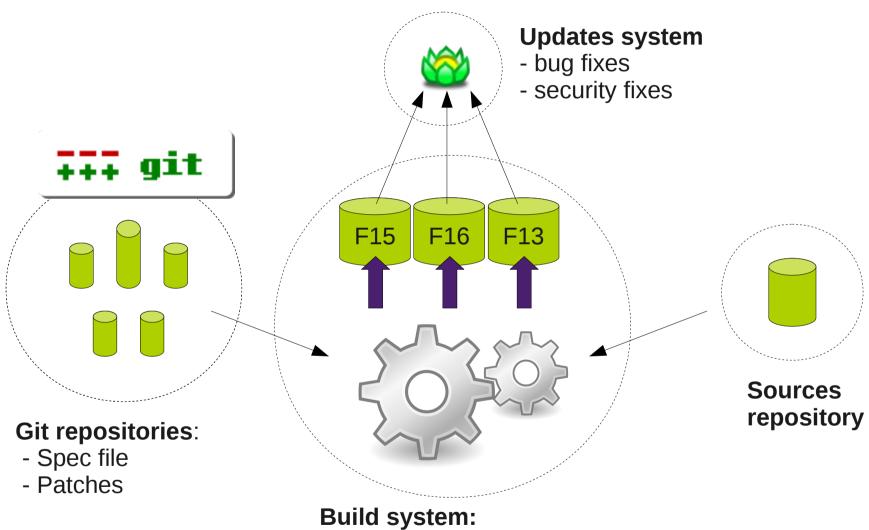


#### **How Are Packages Created?**

- Ingredients:
  - Upstream sources
  - Spec file (package name, files part of a package, description, instructions how to build from sources, etc.)
  - Patches for upstream sources
    - All items above are kept in a Git repository
  - Build system
  - Update system



#### **Overview of Fedora Infrastructure**



- build RPMs on trusted machine from known sources



#### What Our Tool Tries to Solve?

- Remember, we have seen...
  - By whom Fedora is created (Fedora community)
  - What Fedora is
  - How Fedora is created, but ...
- Many contributors are also developers of upstream projects
- Some use Eclipse for their work already
- No existing GUI tool for Fedora packaging and interaction with infrastructure
- Packaging work with existing tools is cumbersome, hard for newcomers to pick up.



#### The Solution: Fedora Meets Eclipse

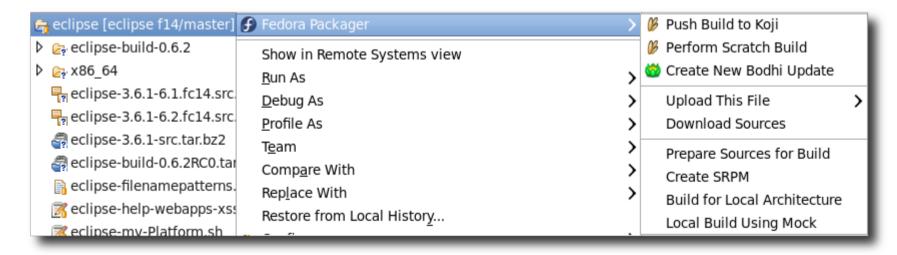






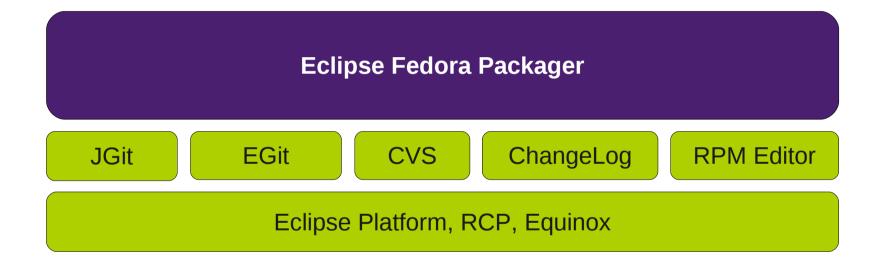
#### **Eclipse Fedora Packager**

- Spec File Editor
- Git integration (using EGit, JGit)
- Easy interaction with Fedora packaging infrastructure
- Increase productivity by speeding up Fedora packaging work



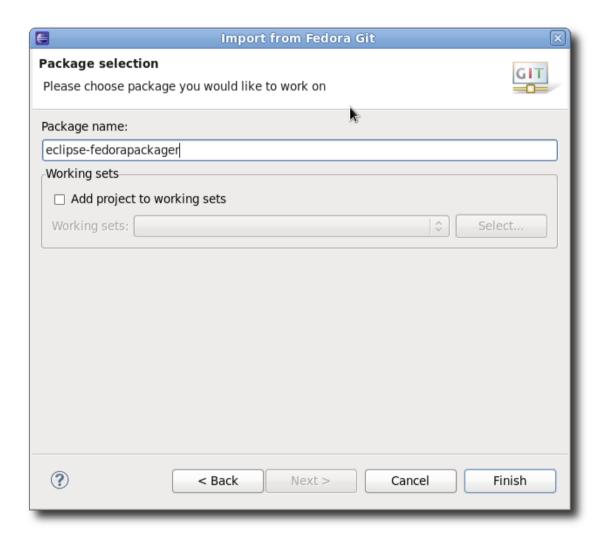


# **Eclipse Fedora Packager Architecture**



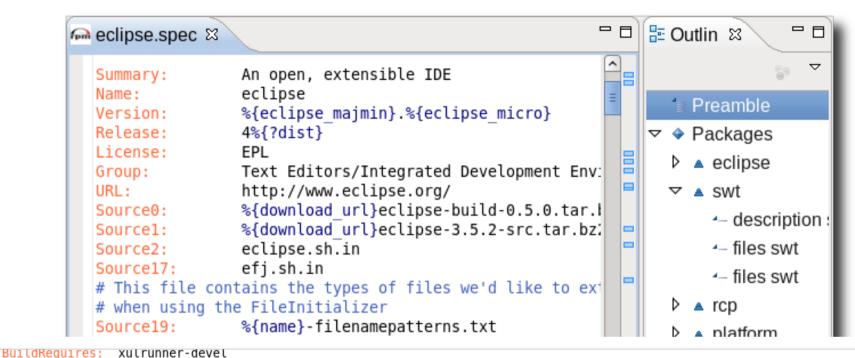


# **Typical Workflow: Import a Package**





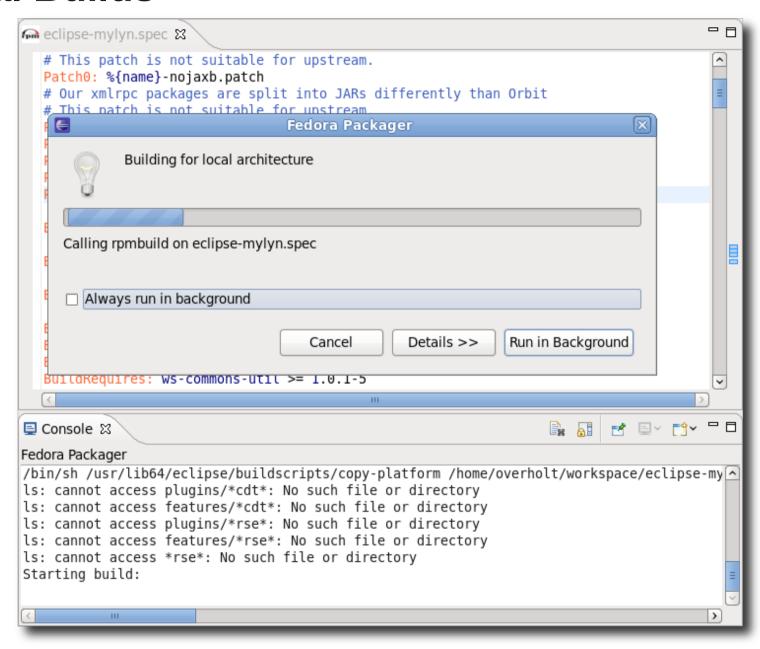
#### **Spec File Editor**







#### **Local Builds**



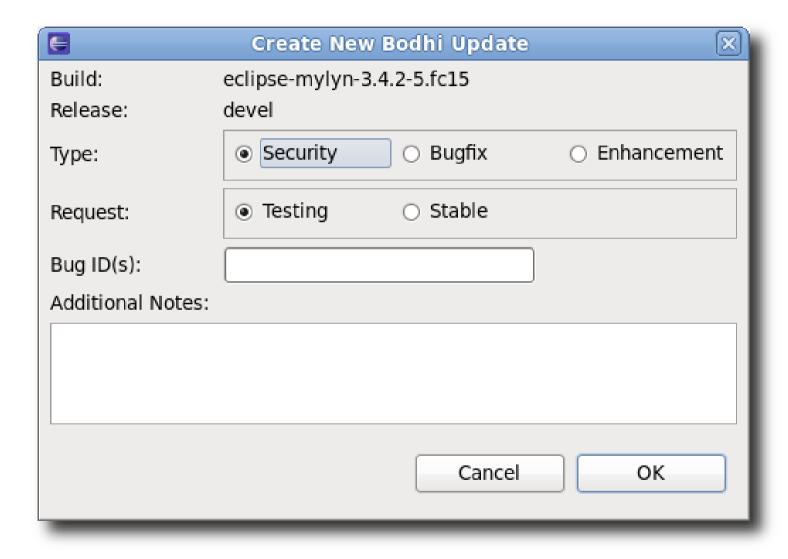


# **Build System**





# **Updates System**





#### **Future Work**

- Bugzilla integration (Mylyn)
- RCP app
- Eclipse Fedora Packager perspective
- A lot more cool new features :)



#### **Getting Involved...**

#### Web/Trac:

https://fedorahosted.org/eclipse-fedorapackager/

# p2 Update Site:

http://fedorapeople.org/~jerboaa/eclipse-fedorapackager-p2-composite-repo/

# Mailing list:

https://admin.fedoraproject.org/mailman/listinfo/eclipse-packager-devel

#### Git:

git://git.fedorahosted.org/git/eclipsefedorapackager.git



#### **Thank You!**



