

Managing Complexity with Module::Release

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Releasing code is
hard...

actually, it's
too easy...

Releasing **good** code
is hard...

Did I ... ?

- * **test** everything
- * **disttest** everything
- * **check in** the sources
- * include **new files** in MANIFEST
- * **update** Changes and README

Then I have to...

- * **upload** to PAUSE
- * **claim** in PAUSE
- * upload to Sourceforge
- * overly-complicated Sourceforge file release
- * **tag** the release in source control
- * **announce** the release

When I find out...

- * what the **PAUSE indexer** thinks
- * what **CPAN Testers** think
- * if I'm **missing** something in **PREREQ_PM**
- * if I've included too little or too much
- * how poor my **kwalitee** is

Rinse, repeat...

Annoy users

Now do that
for
50
distributions

I make mistakes because...

- * Repetitive tasks are **boring**
- * **Focused** on bug squashing
- * Want to **release** code
- * Need to fix a **different** module
- * Want to do **something** else
- * Want to do **anything** else

Automate!

Computers love...

- * doing the same thing **over** and **over**(?: and **over**)+
- * doing it the **same way** every time
- * doing it **again** if I mess up

release(1)

Part of Module::Release

Automate steps

```
sub test
{
  my $self = shift;
  print "Checking make test... ";

  unless( -e 'Makefile.PL' )
  {
    print " no Makefile.PL---skipping\n";
    return;
  }

  my $tests = $self->run( "$self->{make} test 2>&1" );

  die "\nERROR: Tests failed!\n$tests\n\n"
      unless $tests =~ /All tests successful/;

  print "all tests pass\n";
}
```

Create process

```
my $release = Module::Release->new( %params );
```

```
$release->clean;  
$release->build_makefile;  
$release->test;  
$release->dist;  
$release->dist_test;  
$release->check_cvs;  
$release->clean;  
$release->build_makefile;  
$release->dist;
```

```
$release->check_for_passwords;  
$release->ftp_upload;  
$release->pause_claim;
```

Fearless releases

- * Problems are **fatal**
- * Errors tell me what to **fix**
- * **Nothing updates** until everything is good
- * Too bad there isn't `unrelease()`

New problem,
new step

Did I update
\$VERSION?

Anyone want to write
Test::GreaterVersion?

Future directions

- * **Pluggable** modules
- * Support for **more checks**
- * Not just for Perl
- * More **canned scripts**
- * working title: Starburst