

Megatest/Logpro Training

Using Megatest and Logpro for creating flows and automation for software, EDA, or Unix infrastructure at the unit, functional, and regression levels.

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Training Overview

- Background
- Getting started
 - Dashboard/command line (existing flow)
 - Running tests and managing runs
 - Creating a flow
 - configs: megatest, runconfig
 - tests/tasks: testconfig, logpro
 - Getting information about runs and tests
- Preview of advanced Megatest topics
- Future Megatest development

What does Megatest do?

- Run tests or tasks with
 - one or many steps
 - dynamic test dependency calculation
 - on multiple hosts
 - multi-level iteration
- Report, record and roll up state, status and data
 - state: RUNNING, COMPLETED
 - status: PASS, FAIL, WARN, CHECK
 - data: slew rate, count of failed assertions etc.
- Organize “runs” by project specific variables

Megatest Design Philosophy

Factors for Sustainable Automation

Self-checking	write directed or self-checking tests (avoid delta based tests)
Traceable	environment variables, host OS, etc. captured and recorded.
Immutable	once run do not modify, reuse or overwrite tests.
Repeatable	this test result can be recreated in the future
Relocatable	the test area can be checked out and the tests run anywhere
Encapsulated	test run area is self-contained with all inputs and outputs kept
Deployable	anyone on the team, at any site, at any time can run the tests

Wisdom is knowing when it is ok to bend or break the rules!

Megatest strives to make it straightforward to do things right but still possible to get the job done when the rules must be bent or broken.

Dashboard/Test Control Panel

- dashboard
 - browse runs
 - filtering
 - target
 - runname
 - test pattern
 - state/status
 - launch runs
- test control panel
 - xterm
 - view log
 - cleanrunexecute

The screenshot displays the Megatest dashboard interface. The top section shows a summary table of test runs across various versions (v1.62, v1.60) and iteration percentages. Below this, a detailed view for the 'lstruns-tests' test is shown, including its current state (COMPLETED), test date, and a list of steps with their durations and log files.

Test Name	Release	Iteration	Runname	Test Results
testpatt_envvar	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
testpatt	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
test2	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	FAIL
runconf-tests	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
rollup	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
reunclean	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
lstruns-tests	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	FAIL
itemwait	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
itemmap	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	KILLED
fullrun	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
envvars	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
dependencies	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	PASS
chained-waiton	v1.62	7172	ww41.5a	FAIL

Step Name	Start	End	Status	Duration	Log File	Comment
copy	23:06:11	23:06:13	0	2s		
clean	23:06:13	23:06:17	0	4s	clean.html	
run-ex	23:06:17	23:06:51	0	34s		
run-filt	23:06:51	23:07:13	0	22s		
chk-filt	23:07:13	23:07:17	0	4s	chk-filt.html	

Terminology

target	one or more “keys” separated by “/”, used to organize runs hierarchically; examples include platform, release, architecture, stage (e.g. development, final QA, alpha, beta) and so forth. E.g target = x86/centos/dev where the keys are ARCHITECTURE, OS, and RELEASE. A target is a context.
run name	unique name (within a single target grouping) for a run, a common idiom is to use week and day numbers: e.g w41.6 (use unix command: date +%V.%u)
run	a group of tests run under a single target and run name
test or task	a self-contained area with scripts and data to achieve some testing or automation goal
iterated test	a single test run multiple times with variables iterated over a range of values
state	the state of a test; NOT_STARTED, RUNNING, COMPLETED etc.
status	the current status of this test given its state; PASS, FAIL, n/a

Architecture

- config files, static state, human input
 - megatest.config
 - runconfigs.config
 - tests/<testname>/testconfig
- SQL database, dynamic state
 - megatest.db
- Tools
 - megatest (command line), dashboard (gui), and logpro (log file analysis via rules), refdb (text based data base)

Getting Help

- Command line help:
 `megatest -h`
 or try: `viewscreen "megatest -h |& less"`
- The user manual:
 `megatest -manual`

dashboard

runs filter

a "run"

a "test"

a "test item"

tests filter

ORG	test	test							
%	test	test							
RUNTYPE	normal	normal							
runname	ww10b	ww10a							
rsyncdirs	PASS	PASS							
tosh/optchicke	PASS	PASS							
tosh/local	PASS	PASS							
tosh		DELETED							
packages	PASS	PASS							
tosh	PASS	PASS							
hosts	PASS	PASS							
tosh	PASS	PASS							
groups	PASS	PASS							
tosh	PASS	PASS							
accounts	PASS	PASS							
tosh	PASS	WARN							

filter test and items
%
Sort HideEmpty Refresh
Quit Monitor

hide
 PASS FAIL WARN CHECK WAIVED STUCK/DEAD n/a
 RUNNING COMPLETED INCOMPLETE LAUNCHED NOT_STARTED KILLED DELETED

Do live demo of dashboard here.

test control panel

Controls
(debug,
run &
state/status)

The screenshot shows a web-based test control panel for a test named 'runfirst' with item path 'b/2'. The interface is divided into several sections:

- run info:** Displays system information like 'sysname ubuntu', 'fsname nfs', 'datapath none', 'runname w12.7.15.37_b', and 'run-id 1'.
- test info:** Shows test details: 'Testname: runfirst', 'Item path: b/2', 'Current state: COMPLETED', 'Current status: PASS', 'Test comment: This', and 'Test id: 22'.
- meta data:** Lists 'Author: matt', 'Owner: bob', 'Reviewed: 1/1/1965', 'Tags: first,single', and 'Description: This test must be run before the other tests'.
- remote host info:** Provides host details: 'Hostname: xena', 'Uname -a: Linux 3.2.0-38-generic-pae #61-Ubuntu SMP Tue Feb 19 12:39:51 UTC 2013 i686 i386 GNU/Linux', 'Disk free: -2147483648.0', 'CPU Load: 8.0', 'Run duration: 49s', and 'Logfile: wasting_time.html'.
- Actions:** A row of buttons for 'View Log', 'Start Xterm', 'Run Test', 'Clean Test', and 'Close', along with an 'Execute!' button.
- Set fields:** A 'Comment:' field containing 'This' and a row of state/status buttons: 'COMPLETED' (highlighted in green), 'NOT_STARTED', 'RUNNING', 'REMOTEHOSTSTART', 'KILLED', 'KILLREQ', 'PASS' (highlighted in green), 'WARN', 'FAIL', 'CHECK', 'n/a', and 'WAIVED'.
- Test Steps:** A table showing the execution of the 'wasting_time' step.
- Test Data:** A table showing test results for various variables.

Stepname	Start	End	Status	Time
wasting_time	15:39:30	15:39:39	0	9.0s

Category	Variable	Value	Expected	Tol	Status	Units	Type	Comment
bas	iout	1.2	1.9	>	fail	Amps	meas	
	var	val	exp	comp	status	units	type	comment
	bar	10.0	8mA		0		0	this is
	abl	1.2	1.3	0.1	pass	0	0	
	alb	1.2	1.2	<=	pass	Amps	0	This is
	bal	1.2	1.2	<	fail	0	0	Check
	bar	1.2	1.9	>	fail	0	0	
	bla	1.2	1.9	<	pass	0	0	
	bra	1.2	pass	silly stuff0	0	0	0	
	rab	1000000000.0	010000000000.0	010000000000.0	fail	0	0	

Do live demo of test control panel here.

Run Management

- Launching runs
 - command line: “megatest -run ...”
 - test control panel: push “run” then “execute”
- Removing runs
 - command line: “megatest -remove-runs ...”
- Archiving runs
 - command line: “megatest -archive ...”

note: all these commands require the use of additional selector parameters such as -target and -runname

Task/Test Management

- Killing jobs
 - In the gui set status to “KILLREQ” and the job will be killed.
 - Command line example:

```
megatest -set-state-status KILLREQ,FAIL -target ubuntu/nfs/none \  
-runname w10.2a -testpatt %/% -state RUNNING,LAUNCHED
```

- Changing state and status of tests
 - Use -set-state-status, see example above.
- Add “-rerun FAIL” to your launch command line to force the re-run of failed jobs

Test Selectors

- -testpatt testpattern/itempattern
 - wild card is “%”
 - % synonymous with %/%
 - %/ toplevel tests (no items)
- comma separate multiple patterns (OR)
 - %/,%/a/b All toplevel + any items matching
 - a/a

Getting information

- -list-runs pattern
 - lists runs with runname matching pattern.
- -extract-ods
 - creates an open-document spreadsheet
- Miscellaneous queries
 - list-disks
 - list-targets
 - list-db-targets

Config File Syntax

The config file syntax was designed to be:

- simple and forgiving to syntax mistakes
- easy to understand and trace where values originated
- expressive enough for complex needs.

	Example	description of the example
Sections	[setup]	Variables defined on subsequent lines will be in the “setup” section
Variables	ABC 1	Variable “ABC” will have the value “1”
[] directives	[include a.txt]	include file “a.txt”, see manual for all directives
#{ } text substitutions	#{shell ls \$PWD}	replace the #{ ... } with the output of the ls \$PWD command. Note that newlines are replaced with spaces.

Config File Text Substitutions

NOTE: [] substitutions can be deferred by megatest and executed just before launching a test but #{ } substitutions are done as each line is read.

[include filename]	Includes filename. Ignores if filename does not exist
[system command]	replaced with output from command
#{shell command}	replaced with output from command
#{system command}	replaced with the exit code of command
#{scheme (schemecode)}	replaced with the result of evaluating (schemecode)
#{getenv VAR}	replaced with the value of environment variable VAR
#{get section var}	replaced with the value of var from section
#{rget var}	use runconfig rules to get a variable

Creating a Megatest Area

- Required Config files
 - megatest.config
 - runconfigs.config
- Tests
 - testconfig
- Can use the helper “wizards”
 - megatest -create-megatest-area
 - megatest -create-test <testname>

(demo of -create-megatest-area and -create-test)

Setup Megatest Area (Review)

- Config files
 - megatest.config
 - Target A/B/C ...
 - One or more “keys” (the “A”, “B” and “C”)
 - Choose carefully! They cannot be changed after your megatest.db is created
 - links area (the link tree to all your tests)
 - runs disk (can add more over time)
 - Lowest usage disk used first
 - Link tree symlinks point into run areas
 - runconfigs.config
 - can be empty initially

Required Config Files

megatest.config

```
[fields]
PLATFORM TEXT
OS       TEXT

[setup]
# Adjust max_concurrent_jobs to limit parallel jobs
max_concurrent_jobs 50

# This is your link path, best to set it and then not change it
linktree ${getenv MT_RUN_AREA_HOME}/linktree

# Job tools control how your jobs are launched
[jobtools]
useshell yes
launcher nbfake

# You can override environment variables for all your tests here
[env-override]
EXAMPLE_VAR example value

# As you run more tests you may need to add additional disks
# the names are arbitrary but must be unique
[disks]
disk0 ${getenv MT_RUN_AREA_HOME}/runs
```

runconfigs.config

```
[default]
ALLTESTS see this variable

# Your variables here are grouped by targets [SYSTEM/RELEASE]
[SYSTEM_val/RELEASE_val]
ANOTHERVAR only defined if target is SYSTEM_val/RELEASE_val
```

Example testconfig

testconfig

```
# Add additional steps here. Format is "stepname script"
[ezsteps]
step1 step1.sh
step2 step2.sh

# Test requirements are specified here
[requirements]
waiton setup
priority 0

# Iteration for your tests are controlled by the items section
[items]
COMPONENT parser datastore transport analyzer

[logpro]
step1 ;;
    (expect:error in "LogFileBody" = 0 "No errors" #/err/i)

# test_meta is a section for storing additional data
# on your test
[test_meta]
author matt
owner matt
description An example test
tags tagone,tagtwo
reviewed never
```

Megatest Information

- Main development site

<http://www.kiatoa.com/fossils/megatest>

<http://www.kiatoa.com/fossils/logpro>

- Mirror

<http://chiselapp.com/user/kiatoa/repository/megatest>

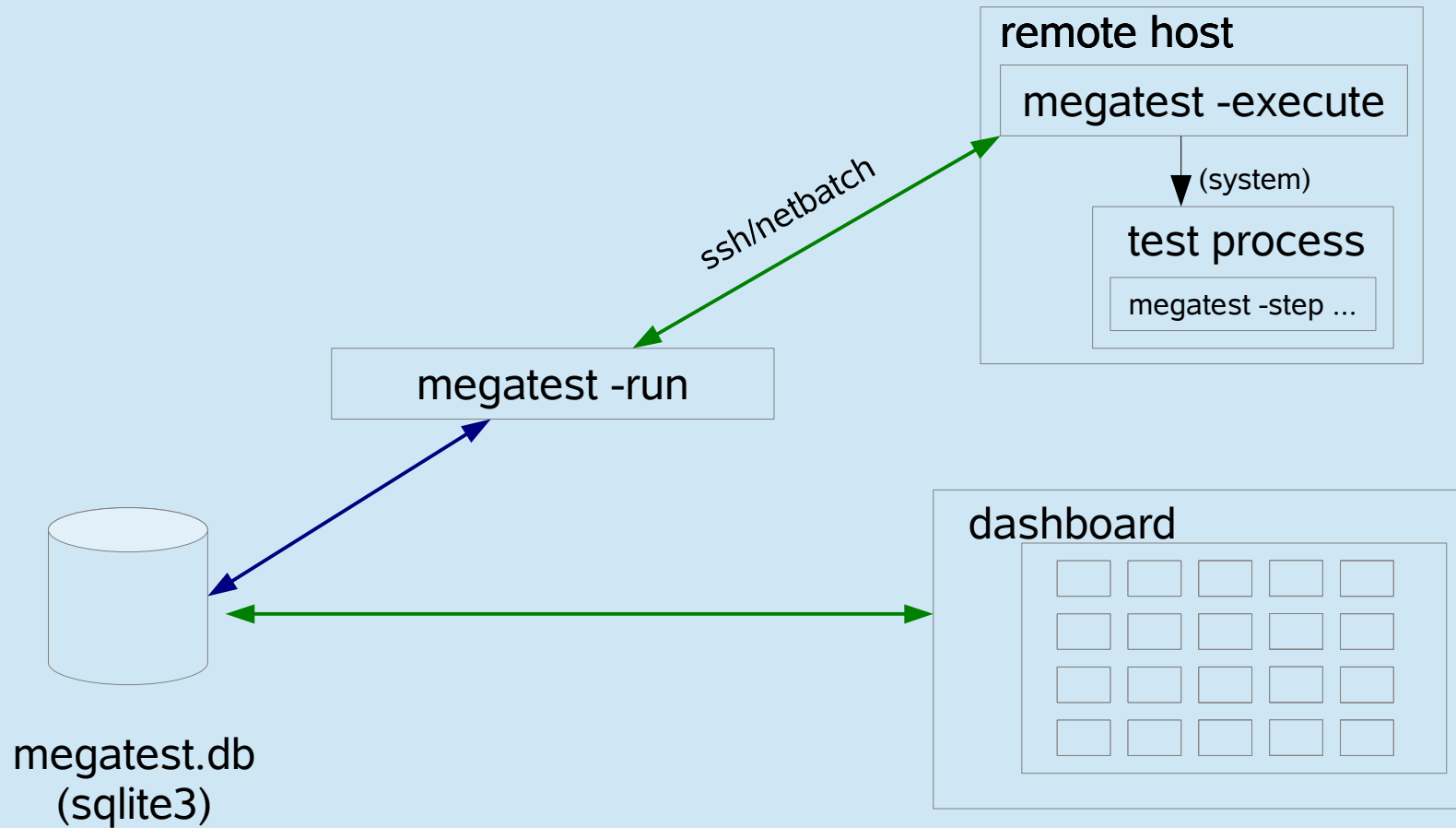
<http://chiselapp.com/user/kiatoa/repository/logpro>

- SourceForge Page

<http://sourceforge.com/projects/megatest>

Backup

How it Works



A Day in The Life ...

test control panel
(in background)

run progress seen in xterm

The image shows a terminal window with the following output:

```
matt@xena:/mfs/matt/data/sysmaint
total size is 3558 speedup is 0.92
Launching /mfs/matt/data/sysmaint/linktree/xena/normal/ww12/nodep-eggs/4.8.0/cs
v-xml
sending incremental file list
./
install.logpro
install.sh
testconfig

sent 3787 bytes received 72 bytes 2572.67
total size is 3558 speedup is 0.92
Launching /mfs/matt/data/sysmaint/linktree/
c
sending incremental file list
./
install.logpro
install.sh
testconfig

sent 3787 bytes received 72 bytes 7718.00
total size is 3558 speedup is 0.92
```

The Megatest dashboard window shows the following test results:

Test Name	Status
4.8.0.1/awful	PASS
4.8.0.1/apropos	RUNNING
4.8.0.1/"test"	PASS
4.8.0.1/"regex-ca	PASS
chicken	PASS
4.8.0.1	PASS
4.8.0	PASS

The dashboard also includes a filter section with the following options:

filter test and items: %
hide: PASS FAIL WARN CHECK WAIVED STUCK/DEAD n/a
 RUNNING COMPLETED INCOMPLETE LAUNCHED NOT_STARTED KILLED DELETED

Buttons: Quit, Monitor

logpro output

dashboard

Writing a Test “checkspace”

- Write a test that checks for available space
 - tests can “waiton” this test before running.
- Our test will use this simple script, `checkspace.sh`:

```
#!/bin/bash -e
freespace=`df -k $DIRECTORY | grep $DIRECTORY | awk '{print $4}'`
if [[ $freespace -lt $REQUIRED ]];then
    echo "ERROR: insufficient space on $DIRECTORY"
    exit 1
else
    echo "There is adequate space on $DIRECTORY"
fi
```

Note: Files for this example can be found in “example” dir in Megatest distribution

Writing a Test “checkspace”

- Commands to create test “checkspace”
 - mkdir -p linktree runs tests/checkspace
 - cd tests/checkspace
 - vi checkspace.sh
 - chmod a+x checkspace.sh
 - vi testconfig

```
# Add steps here. Format is "stepname script"  
[ezsteps]  
checkspace checkspace.sh  
  
# Iteration for your tests are controlled by the items section  
[itemstable]  
DIRECTORY      /tmp      /opt  
REQUIRED       1000000  100000
```

Writing a test “checkspace”

- Write a logpro file to analyze your results

```
(expect:error in "LogFileBody" = 0 "Any error" #/err/i)  
(expect:required in "LogFileBody" = 1 "Sucess signature" #/adequate space/)
```

```
.  
|-- megatest.config  
|-- megatest.db  
|-- monitor.db  
|-- runconfigs.config  
`-- tests  
    |-- checkspace  
    |-- checkspace.logpro  
    |-- checkspace.sh  
    `-- testconfig
```


Setup for Run “Flavors”

- `runconfigs.config`
 - [default]
VARS here are inherited by all runs
 - [some/target]
VARS here inherited in some/target runs
- NB// the last specified definition overrides prior definitions.

Setup Tests/Tasks

- A test or task is a set of scripts and data designed to do something or test something.
- Create in tests directory
- Test name limitations
 - No spaces or special characters
 - [a-zA-Z0-9_] and “-” are ok.

The testconfig file [setup]

- [setup]

runscript scriptname.sh

- The script must exist in the testconfig directory and be executable
- Output from the script is NOT captured by Megatest directly
- The script can be an executable or written in any scripting language

The testconfig file [ezsteps]

- [ezsteps]

step1 script1.sh

- The script “script1.sh” will be executed and its output redirected to the file step1.log.
- If a logpro file step1.logpro exists it will be used to process the logfile step1name.log and generate the PASS/FAIL/WARN status.

The testconfig file [items]

[items]

VAR1 value11 value12 value13 ...

VAR2 value21 value22 value23 ...

- This will iterate this test with all possible combinations of VAR1 and VAR2 values.

- Results:

- value11/value21, value11/value22, value11/value23, value12/value21, value12/value22, value12/value23 ...

The testconfig file [itemstable]

[itemstable]

VAR1 value11 value12 ...

VAR2 value21 value22 ...

- This will iterate over the test with only aligned value combinations.

- Result:

- value11/value21, value12/value22 ...

NOTE: You can combine items and itemstable but they work independently and the result may not be what you expect.

The testconfig file [requirements]

[requirements]

waiton <testname ... >

- this test will not be launched until the listed tests are COMPLETED and PASS, WAIVE or SKIP.

jobgroup <groupname>

- this test will be added to the named job group and the relevant max concurrent jobs will apply

mode toplevel

- this test will proceed once all it waiton tests are completed with any status.

The testconfig file[test_meta]

- author matt
- owner bob
- description The description can run to multiple lines but subsequent lines must be indented with spaces.
- tags first,single
- reviewed 09/10/2011, by Matt

Megatest Calls in Tests

- -step stepname
 - mark the start or end of a step
- -test-status
 - set the state and status of a test
- -setlog logfname
 - set the path/filename to the final log relative to the test directory.
- -set-toplog logfname
 - set the log for a series of iterated tests

Other Megatest calls

- `-summarize-items`
for an itemized test create a summary html (usually called automatically)
- `-m comment`
insert a comment for this test, can be used with any of the above calls
- `-test-files` or `-test-paths`
Use the database to search for files or paths in the test run area

Example Megatest in-test calls

- **-step**

```
$MT_MEGATEST -step step1 :state start :status  
running -setlog step1.html
```

- **-test-status**

(Mark a test as completed and trigger a rollup to the parent test of overall status)

```
$MT_MEGATEST -test-status :state COMPLETED :status  
AUTO
```

- **-test-path**

```
export EZFAILPATH2=`$MT_MEGATEST -test-paths -target  
$MT_TARGET :runname $MT_RUNNAME -testpatt  
runfirst/a%`
```

Environment Variables

MT_TARGET	Contains the target for this run
MT_RUNNAME	The run name
MT_MEGATEST	Full path to megatest executable
MT_TEST_RUN_DIR	The area where the test itself runs
MT_TEST_NAME	The name of the current test
MT_ITEM_INFO	Data on the iteration
MT_RUN_AREA_HOME	The base area for this regression
MT_CMDINFO	Used internally by megatest
MT_DEBUG_MODE	Used to propagate debug mode to underlying megatest calls.
MT_LINKTREE	Full path to the link tree, use to find tests

Additional Features

- Run locking
 - Prevents removing or adding tests to a run
 - lock
 - unlock

Logpro

- Logpro syntax

Logpro uses scheme calls directly and the full power of scheme is available. However 99% of logpro rule files will not need anything other than the base logpro rules.

- Documentation at: <http://www.kiatoa.com/fossils/logpro>

Rule	Example	Purpose
expect:error	(expect:error in “Logf” = 0 “Err desc” #/err1/i)	Flags errors matching the pattern err1
expect:ignore	(expect:ignore in “Logf” < 10 “Err desc” #/err2/i)	Ignore errors matching the pattern err2
expect:warning	(expect:warning in “Logf” = 0 “Desc” #/warn1/i)	Lines matching pattern warn1 flagged as warning
expect:required	(expect:required in “Logf” = 1 “Desc” #/reqrd/i)	Line matching pattern reqrd must exit in log file
expect:waive	(expect:waive in “Logf” = 0 “Err desc” #/err3/i)	Waive error matching pattern err3
expect:value	(expect:value in “Logf” 10 1 “Err desc” #/(\d+)/i)	The number matched must be 10 +/- 1
trigger	(trigger “start” #/Start logfile/)	Set trigger “ start ” on line with “Start logfile” string.
section	(section “Logf” “start” “end”)	Section Logf starts at trigger start , ends at end
hook:add	(hook:add “err1” “err1.pl #{msg}”)	On err1 call the err1.pl script with msg as param

Advance Logpro Usage

- Data collection
 - Capturing with logpro
 - Rolling up with Megatest

Waiver Propagation

This test failed and was manually set to WAIVED in the next run

This test uses diff and logpro to determine if ok to propagate WAIVED

```
LOGPRO RESULTS Summary is here
(processed by logpro version 1.07, tool details at logpro)

430d429
< eclogin-errors.labramow.14523
431a431,432
> eclogin-errors.labramow.18281
> eclogin-errors.labramow.2662
433d433
< eclogin-errors.labramow.32764
458,459d457
< eclogin-errors.pratikbx.15947
< eclogin-errors.pratikbx.18077
460a459,460
> eclogin-errors.pratikbx.23458
> eclogin-errors.pratikbx.26266
588d587
< he486.mxxdem.run.log.1365521228

-----LOGPRO SUMMARY-----
Trigger: LogFileBodyStart      OK, count=1
Expect: Warning in Body       OK, expected = 0 of Any warning, got 0
```

The WAIVED status was propagated because the criteria set in testconfig were all met

sysname	ubuntu	ubuntu	ubuntu
fsname	nfs	nfs	nfs
datapath	none	none	none
runname	w15,2,08,44_b	w15,2,08,33_b	w15,2,08,22_b
priority_5	PASS	PASS	PASS
priority_4	PASS	PASS	PASS
priority_3	PASS	PASS	FAIL
priority_2	PASS	PASS	PASS
priority_10_waiton_1	PASS	PASS	PASS
priority_10	PASS	PASS	PASS
priority_1	PASS	PASS	PASS
neverrun	FAIL	FAIL	FAIL
manual_example	FAIL	FAIL	FAIL
logpro_required_fail	FAIL	FAIL	FAIL
lineitem_pass	PASS	PASS	PASS
lineitem_fail	FAIL	FAIL	FAIL
ezlog_warn	WARN	WARN	WARN
ezlog_pass	PASS	PASS	PASS
ezlog_fail_then_pass	PASS	PASS	PASS
ezlog_fail	WAIVED	WAIVED	FAIL
ez_pass	PASS	PASS	PASS
ez_fail	FAIL	FAIL	FAIL
ez_exit2_fail	FAIL	FAIL	FAIL
exit_1	FAIL	FAIL	FAIL
exit_0	PASS	PASS	PASS
all_toplevel	PASS	PASS	PASS

Waiver Propagation

waiver name

waiver rule type

file to apply rule

example rules

```
# logpro_file  input_glob
# matching file(s) will be diff'd with previous run and logpro applied
# if PASS or WARN result from logpro then WAIVER state is set
#
[waivers]
waiver_1 logpro lookittmp.log

[waiver_rules]
# This builtin rule is the default if there is no <waivename>.logpro file
# diff  diff %file1% %file2%

# This builtin rule is applied if a <waivename>.logpro file exists
# logpro diff %file1% %file2% | logpro %waivename%.logpro %waivename%.html
```

Direct Access to Megatest Functions

- `-repl`
 - This will start a read-eval-print loop allowing you to directly call Megatest calls.
- `-load test.scm`
 - This will load the scheme source code and execute it in the Megatest context.

New Features in v1.55

- Task/Test search path
 - organize your tests in different directories
 - reuse tests from other flows
- Automatic SKIP handling
 - Crontab friendly runs (can overlap)
- “itemmatch” mode
 - iterated tests block only on previous same-named iteration