### Upstream Downstream

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### Agenda

- 1 MySQL @ Oracle
- **2** Features and bugfixes in stable releases
- 3 Platform support
- 4 Upstream package repos
- 5 Coordinating across distros

#### **MySQL Workbench 6.1 MySQL** Fabric **MySQL 5.6 MySQL 5.5** MySQL Cluster Manager **MySQL 5.7** Windows installer & Tools **MySQL Enterprise Monitor 2.3 & 3.0** MySQL Applier for Hadoop **MySQL Enterprise** Backup MySQL Cluster 7.4 Security **MySQL** Utilities **Scalability** MySQL Workbench 5.2 & 6.0 HA MySQL Cluster 7.3 Audit MySQL Cluster 7.2 **MySQL** Enterprise Oracle Certifications MySQL Cluster 7.1

### Distributing a new release

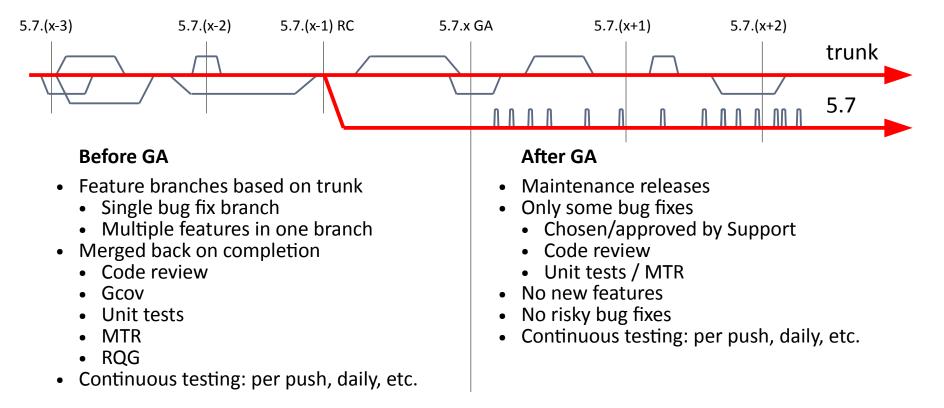
- http://dev.mysql.com/
- FTP
- http://repo.mysql.com/
- Distros' native repos
  - We package for some distros
  - Thank you, community!
- Source code on GitHub

.tar.gz 

- .zip
- .dmg
- .pkg.gz
- .rpm
- .deb

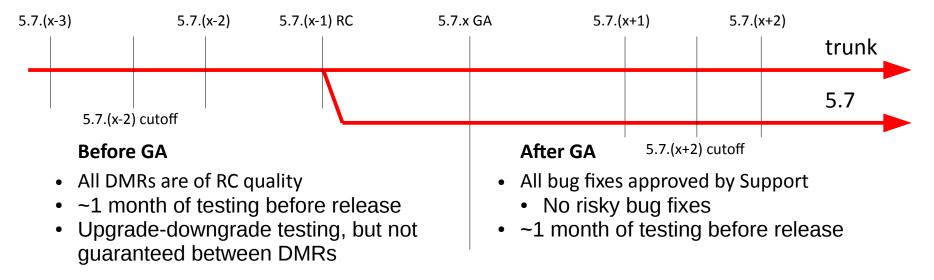
### Development model

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### Development model



#### Common to all releases, both before and after GA

- Testing with other products
- Upgrade-downgrade testing
- Performance testing
- Load-stress testing w and w/o replication

- Large volume testing
- Package validation/installation/upgrade
- Windows installer testing
- Re-spin on showstoppers

### What is minimal risk?

### Upstream

- Set of necessary bug fixes
- Thoroughly tested
- Update to get all the necessary fixes

### **Downstream**

- Cherry-pick security bug fixes
- Test using standard test suite
- Upgrade to get security bug fixes

### Ubuntu Micro Release Exception

- Exception from the rule that a "patch must be as small and unintrusive as possible"
  - Must have satisfactory QA and development process
- Used particularly for web browsers and larger, mature projects
- Granted to MySQL on February 7, 2014
  - De facto for a long time before that
- Reduces strain
  - On maintainers caught between upstream and distro's security team
  - On the upstream-downstream relationship

### Handling bugs from package maintainers

- Packaging problems affect distribution channels
  - A lot of users may suffer!
- Notification when package maintainers report bugs
  - Tag it and track it
- May result in higher priority
- Please report bugs!
  - It's easier to point developers to a bug than explain that "some maintainer asked us to fix this"

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#### MySQL Man Pages Silently Relicensed Away From GPL

Posted by Soulskill on Tuesday June 18, 2013 @08:11PM from the gimme-it!-it's-mine! dept.

#### An anonymous reader writes



"The MariaDB blog is reporting a small change to the license covering the man pages to MySQL. Until recently, the governing license was GPLv2. Now the license reads, 'This software and related documentation are provided under a license agreement containing restrictions on use and disclosure and are protected by intellectual property laws. Except as expressly permitted in your license agreement or allowed by law, you may not use, copy, reproduce, translate, broadcast, modify, license, transmit, distribute, exhibit, perform, publish, or display any part, in any form, or by any means. Reverse engineering, disassembly, or decompilation of this software, unless required by law for interoperability, is prohibited."

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### Platform support

- Mismatch in platform support between upstream and downstream, e.g.:
  - Some distros also support exotic/uncommon/old HW
  - MySQL is supported only on mainstream/popular/modern HW
  - MySQL is supported on a larger variety of OSes
- Unused/untested platform dependent code is bad
  - It breaks without warning
  - It's "noise" to the developer
- Maintain platform dependent code where it's used and tested

### Our goal:

# As few patches as possible applied during packaging.



### Upstream package repos

- An addition, not competition, to downstream
  - Some users prefer one over the other
  - Possible to upgrade faster than the distro
- Forces upstream to eat their own dogfood
  - Packaging ready when a new version is released
    - Also for major releases
  - "Best practices" knowledge base for downstream maintainers
    - Aligning across distros and between distros and upstream
  - Increases upstream knowledge and awareness
  - Integrated into regular QA processes

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### **Coordinating across distros**

- Do applications need OpenSSL exemptions?
- Is installation interactive?
- Does a server start automatically after installation?
- Given alternatives, can one be default?
  - What does "default" mean?



### Our goal: Make the user experience as similar as possible across distros.



### Summary

- As few differences as possible
  - Between upstream delivery methods
  - Between upstream and downstream (patches)
  - Between distros (parameter combinations)
- Meet and talk with package maintainers
  - Understand their needs
    - Find solutions before problems occur
  - Learn about packaging and help out if needed
  - Talk about upcoming changes
- Everybody makes mistakes
  - Trust is key to making the upstream-downstream relationship work

### Thank you for packaging MySQL!



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