There are many ways of testing. A spare machine, a secondary hard drive, a live USB, or using a VM (Virtual Machine). If you are planning on using a VM, you may be interested in trying quickemu which allows you to easily manage QEMU VMs with a shell script.

We hope you will join in and help us make Ubuntu MATE 20.04 and all of its family a success.

Canonical launched a managed applications platform that allows enterprises to have the vendor control their open source applications regardless of what type of infrastructure those applications are running on.

The Canonical Managed Apps platform is launching with the ability to manage 10 cloud-native database and logging, monitoring, and alerting (LMA) applications on multi-cloud Kubernetes infrastructure or on virtual machines (VMs) running on bare metal, public, or private clouds. The initial applications include databases MySQL, InfluxDB, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, and ElasticSearch; the Open Source MANO NFV management and orchestration application; the Kafka event streaming platform; the Graylog logging platform; the Prometheus monitoring system; and the Grafana observability platform.
Stephan Fabel, director of product at Canonical, explained that the management platform sits on top of or to the side of the infrastructure platform depending on the infrastructure being used. It acts to enforce the policies and models of that piece of software. The platform itself runs on open source software, and the vendor's Juju service orchestration tool and underlying Charms deployment model.

- [Canonical To Simplify Cloud Operations For Enterprises With Managed Apps](https://www.tfir.io/canonical-to-simplify-cloud-operations-for-enterprises-with-managed-apps)