

# Principles of Software Construction: Objects, Design, and Concurrency

## DevOps (part 1)

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# Lecture 23 Quiz

On Canvas

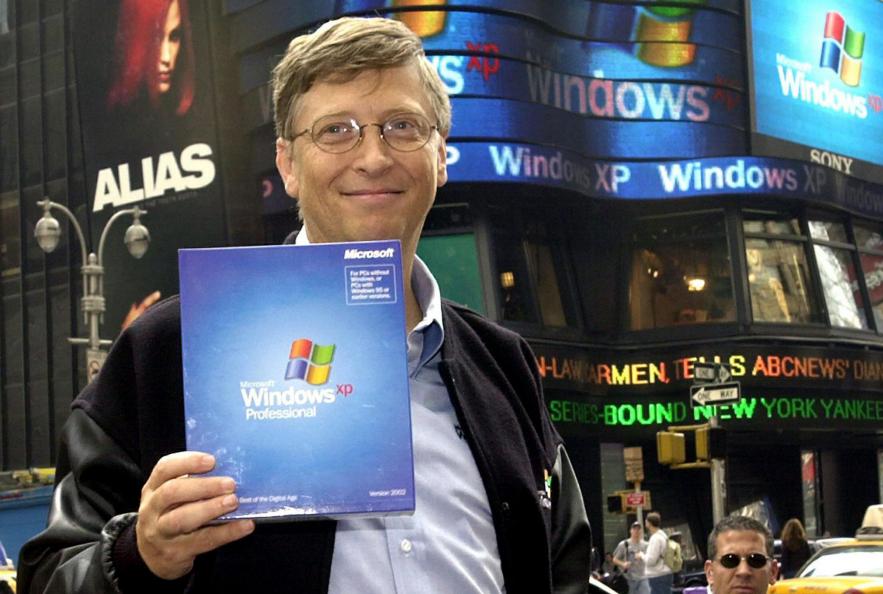
# Administrative

- Frameworks to extend have been selected
  - We'll distribute the picks by tomorrow
  - If you are a maintainer, take some time to improve docs now, then wait and prepare to field Issues & PRs (quickly).
  - If not, pick one to extend when they come online
    - See the handout: add  $n$  new data plugins and  $n - 1$  new visualization plugins; make them reasonably different from the existing ones, and use at least one 3rd party API
  - Deadline: next week Friday

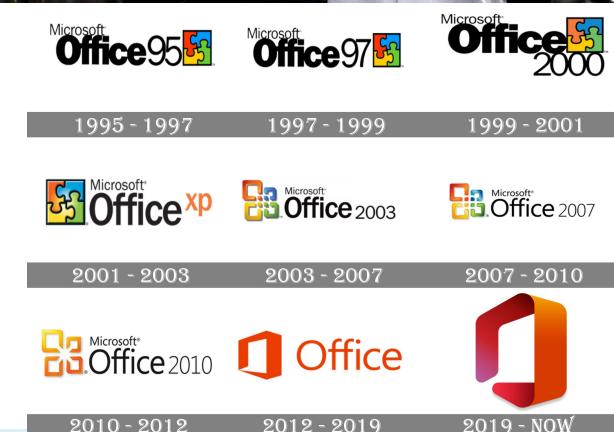
# Where we are

	<i>Small scale:</i> One/few objects	<i>Mid scale:</i> Many objects	<i>Large scale:</i> Subsystems
<i>Design for understanding change/ext. reuse robustness ...</i>	Subtype Polymorphism ✓  Information Hiding, Contracts ✓  Immutability ✓  Types ✓ Static Analysis ✓  Unit Testing ✓	Domain Analysis ✓  Inheritance & Del. ✓  Responsibility Assignment, Design Patterns, Antipattern ✓  Promises/ Reactive P. ✓  Static Analysis ✓	GUI vs Core ✓  Frameworks and Libraries ✓ , APIs ✓  Distributed systems, microservices ✓  Testing for Robustness ✓  CI ✓ , DevOps, Teams

# DevOps



# Early days: Boxed software, infrequent releases



**Microsoft Windows XP Professional with SP2,SKU E85-02665,Sealed Retail Box,Full**

★★★★★ 12 product ratings

Condition: New

Quantity:

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More than 10 available / 37 sold

Price: **US \$299.50**

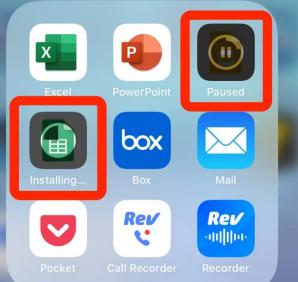
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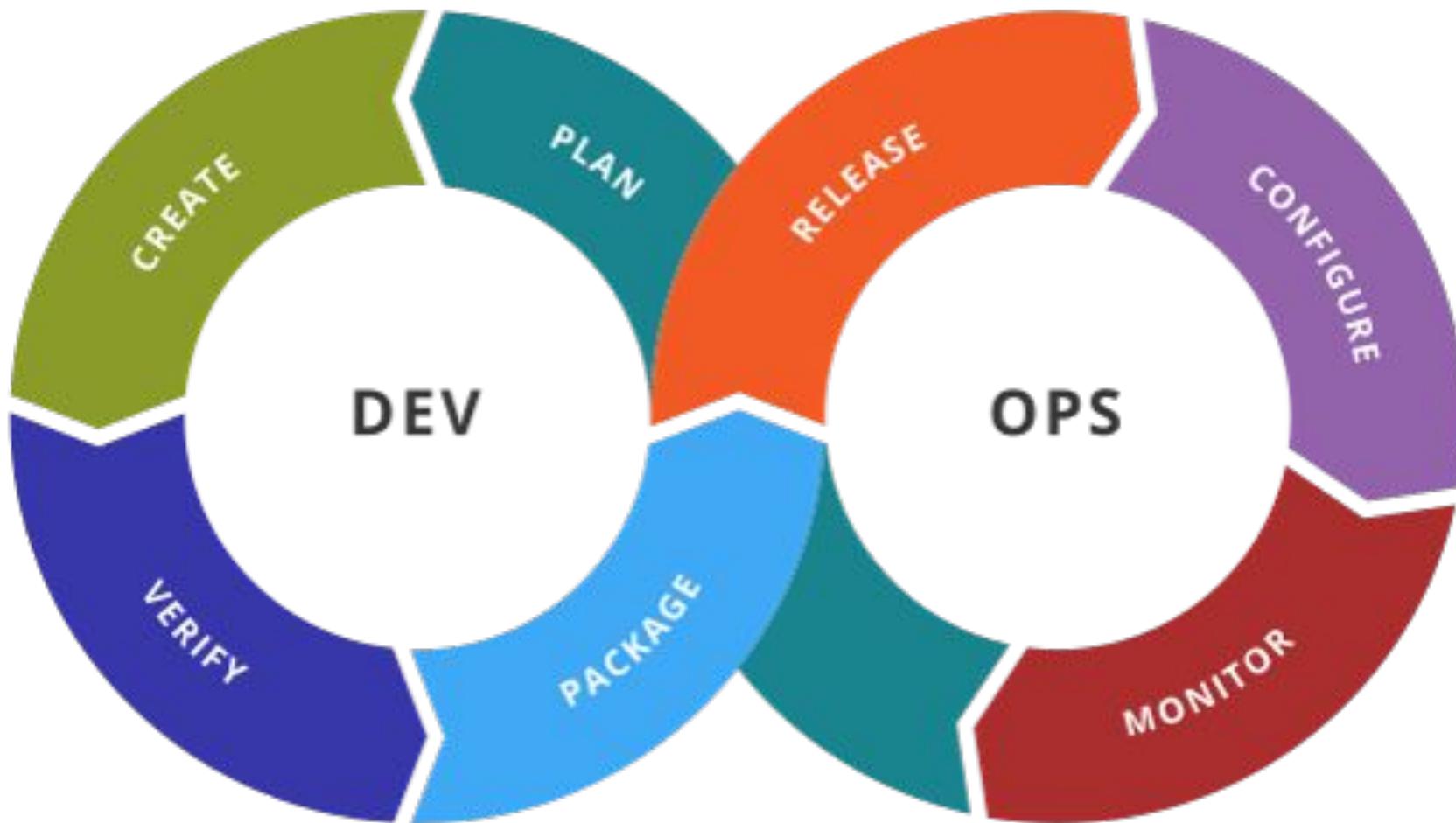


These days:  
Hosted software, frequent releases  
Customer may not even notice update



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# Dev resp. vs

- Coding
- Testing, static analysis, reviews
- Continuous integration
- Bug tracking
- Running local tests and scalability experiments
- ...

# Ops resp.

- Allocating hardware resources
- Managing OS updates
- Monitoring performance
- Monitoring crashes
- Managing load spikes, ...
- Tuning database performance
- Running distributed at scale
- Rolling back releases
- ...

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hardware resources  
updates  
performance  
finishes  
and spikes, ...  
use performance  
distributed at scale  
releases



• ...

DevOps buzz word:  
Shortening / Blending of Dev-Ops cycle

# Key Ideas and Principles

Better coordinate between developers and operations (collaborative)

Reduce friction bringing changes from development into production

Consider the entire tool chain into production (holistic)

Document and version all dependencies and configurations  
("configuration as code")

Small iterations, incremental and continuous releases

**Heavy automation**, e.g., continuous delivery, monitoring

# Common Practices

All configurations in version control

Test and deploy in containers

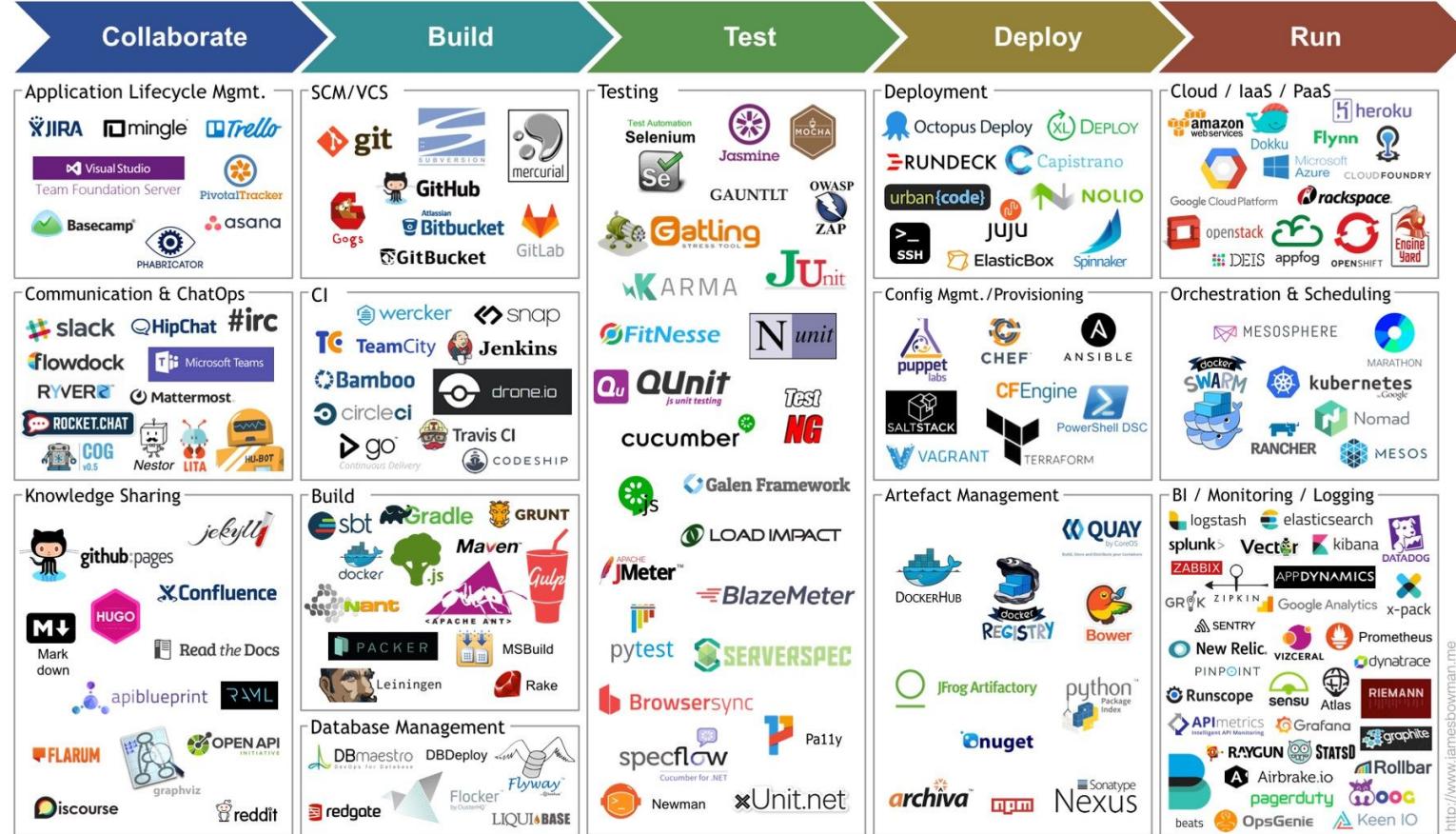
Automated testing, testing, testing, ...

Monitoring, orchestration, and automated actions in practice

Microservice architectures

Release frequently

# Heavy Automation, Lots of Tooling



# Let's zoom in on the different stages



# Recall: Continuous Integration

```
> should respond user repos json
✓ should 404 with unknown user
```

```
when requesting an invalid route
  ✓ should respond with 404 json
```

```
1123 passing (4s)
```

```
=====
Writing coverage object [/home/runn.../build]
Writing coverage reports at [/home/runn.../b...
=====
```

```
=====
Coverage summary
Statements : 98.81% ( 1916/1939 ), 38 ignore
Branches   : 94.58% ( 751/794 ), 22 ignore
Functions   : 100% ( 267/267 )
Lines       : 100% ( 1872/1872 )
=====
```

```
The command "npm run test-ci" exited with 0
```

```
$ npm run lint
```

```
> express@4.17.1 lint /home/runn.../build/ex...
> eslint .
```

```
The command "npm run lint" exited with 0.
```

```
store build cache
```

```
$ # Upload coverage to coveralls
```

```
Done. Your build exited with 0.
```



All checks have passed

4 successful checks

[Hide all checks](#)



build Successfully in 59s — build



test Successfully in 59s — build



publish Successfully in 59s — build



This branch has no conflicts with the base branch

Merging can be performed automatically.

[Merge pull request](#)



You can also open this in [GitHub Desktop](#) or view [command line instructions](#).

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Recent My Repositories

- diasporg/diaspora** #209  
Duration: 19 min 26 sec, Finished: 9 minutes ago
- rubinius/rubinius** #815  
Duration: 16 min 28 sec, Finished: about an hour ago
- robgleeson/ed** #31  
Duration: 4 min 33 sec, Finished: about an hour ago
- niku/frange** #4  
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- tedsuo/raaraa** #48  
Duration: 1 min, Finished: about 2 hours ago
- holman/play** 19 #84  
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- crcn/sift.js** #35  
Duration: 41 sec, Finished: about 2 hours ago
- BonzaProject/Bonza** #19  
Duration: 40 sec, Finished: about 2 hours ago

## rails/rails

Ruby on Rails

[Current](#) [Build History](#)

Build	 <a href="#">1995</a>	Commit	<a href="#">f3e079e (master)</a>
Finished	about 6 hours ago	Compare	<a href="#">b5927b8...f3e079e</a>
Duration	1 hr 33 min 32 sec	Author	Vijay Dev
Message	Merge pull request #4248 from andrew/2012 Updated copyright notices for 2012		

### Build Matrix

Job	Duration	Finished	Rvm	Env
 <a href="#">1995.1</a>	19 min 5 sec	about 6 hours ago	1.9.3	GEM=railties
 <a href="#">1995.2</a>	12 min 38 sec	about 6 hours ago	1.9.3	GEM=ap,am,amo,ares,as
 <a href="#">1995.3</a>	16 min 57 sec	about 6 hours ago	1.9.3	GEM=ar:mysql
 <a href="#">1995.4</a>	12 min 55 sec	about 6 hours ago	1.9.3	GEM=ar:mysql2
 <a href="#">1995.5</a>	12 min 34 sec	about 6 hours ago	1.9.3	GEM=ar:sqlite3
 <a href="#">1995.6</a>	19 min 23 sec	about 6 hours ago	1.9.3	GEM=ar:postgresql

**Workers**

- erlang.worker.travis-ci.org
- nodejs1.worker.travis-ci.org
- php1.worker.travis-ci.org
- rails1.worker.travis-ci.org
- rails2.worker.travis-ci.org
- ruby1.worker.travis-ci.org
- ruby2.worker.travis-ci.org
- ruby3.worker.travis-ci.org
- spree.worker.travis-ci.org

**Queue: Common**

No jobs

**Queue: NodeJs**

No jobs

**Queue: Php**

No jobs

**Queue: Rails**

No jobs

**Queue: Erlang**

No jobs

**Queue: Spree**

No jobs

[Back to Dashboard](#)[Status](#)[Changes](#)[Workspace](#)[Build Now](#)[Delete Project](#)[Configure](#)[Set Next Build Number](#)[Duplicate Code](#)[Coverage Report](#)[SLOCCount](#)[Git Polling Log](#)

## Project Stop-tabac dev

CI build

[edit description](#)  
[Disable Project](#)[Coverage Report](#)[Workspace](#)[Recent Changes](#)[Latest Test Result \(no failures\)](#)

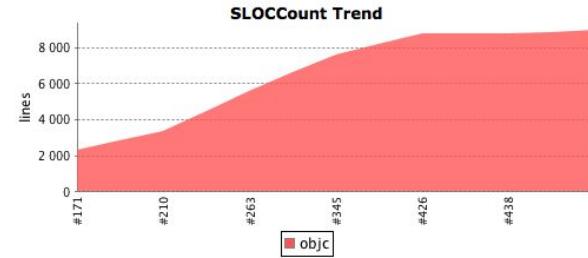
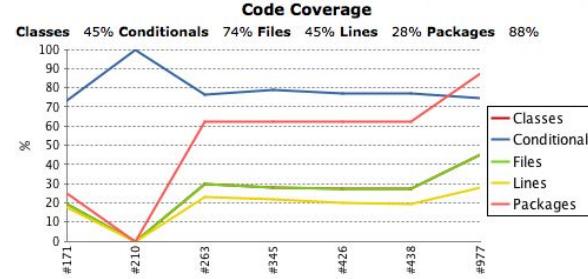
### Build History (trend)

- #977 Aug 27, 2012 4:37:27 PM
- #438 Jun 28, 2012 8:47:42 AM
- #426 Jun 26, 2012 1:39:39 PM
- #345 Jun 19, 2012 9:02:20 AM
- #263 Jun 6, 2012 9:14:42 PM
- #210 May 31, 2012 8:42:29 AM
- #171 May 23, 2012 9:58:18 PM
- #90 May 15, 2012 11:49:41 AM

[RSS for all](#) [RSS for failures](#)

### Permalinks

- [Last build \(#977\), 3 min 17 sec ago](#)
- [Last stable build \(#977\), 3 min 17 sec ago](#)
- [Last successful build \(#977\), 3 min 17 sec ago](#)



# Continuous Integration

- Automation
- Ensures absence of obvious build issues and configuration issues (e.g., dependencies all checked in)
- Ensures tests are executed
- May encourage more tests
- Can run checks on different platforms

# Aside: The role of signaling

Status

Build Pipeline

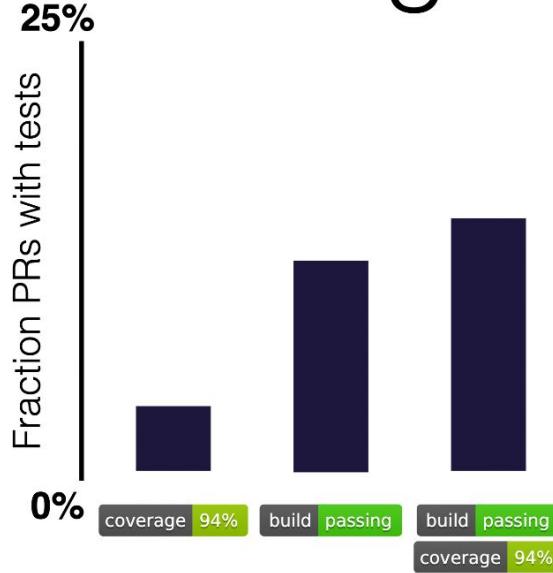


Release Pipeline

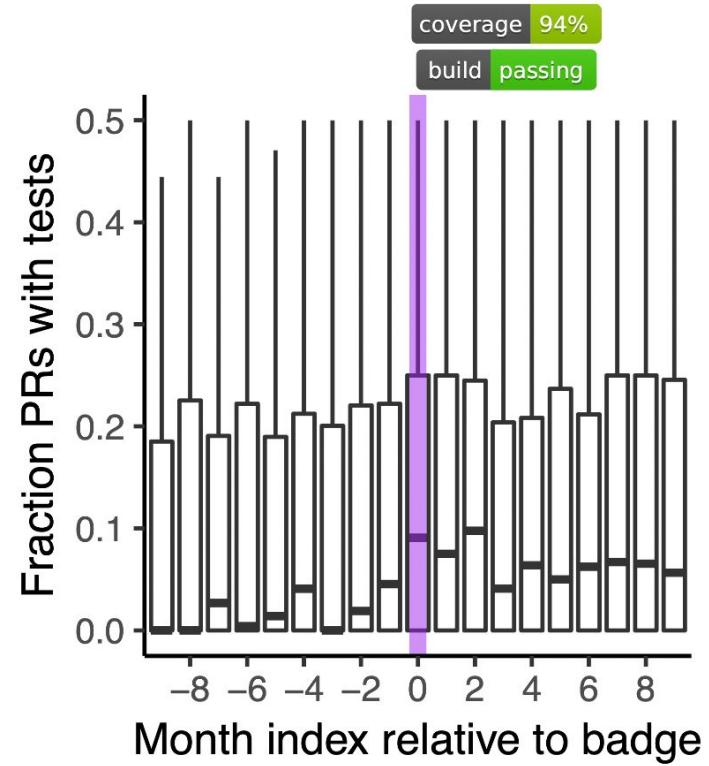
Dev	Test	Prod
deployment succeeded	deployment succeeded	deployment succeeded
NuGet 0.6.0	NuGet 0.6.0	NuGet 0.4.0

<https://blog.devops4me.com/status-badges-in-azure-devops-pipelines/>

# Signals of PR quality



**Result:** Build status+code coverage badges indicate *more tests in PRs*



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# Releasing Software

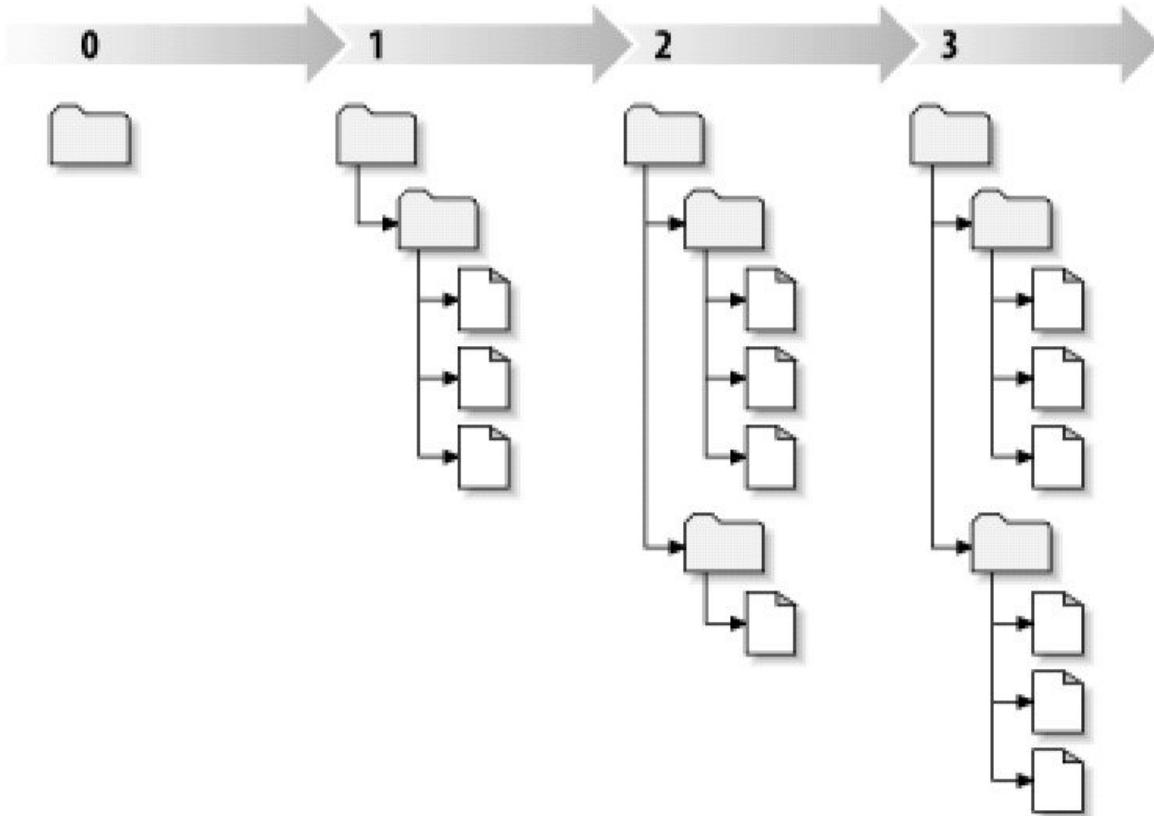


# Semantic Versioning for Releases

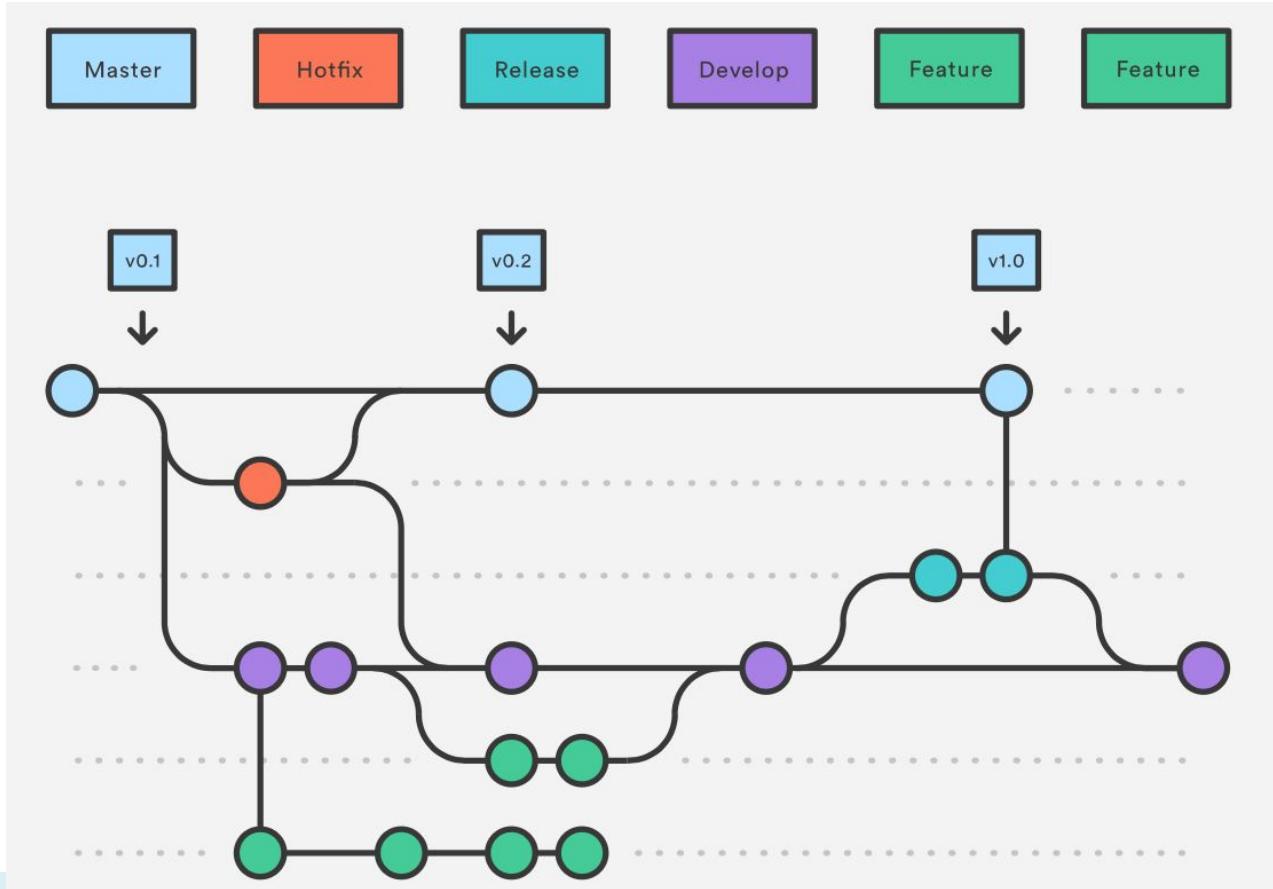
- Given a version number MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH, increment the:
  - MAJOR version when you make incompatible API changes,
  - MINOR version when you add functionality in a backwards-compatible manner, and
  - PATCH version when you make backwards-compatible bug fixes.
- Additional labels for pre-release and build metadata are available as extensions to the MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH format.

<http://semver.org/>

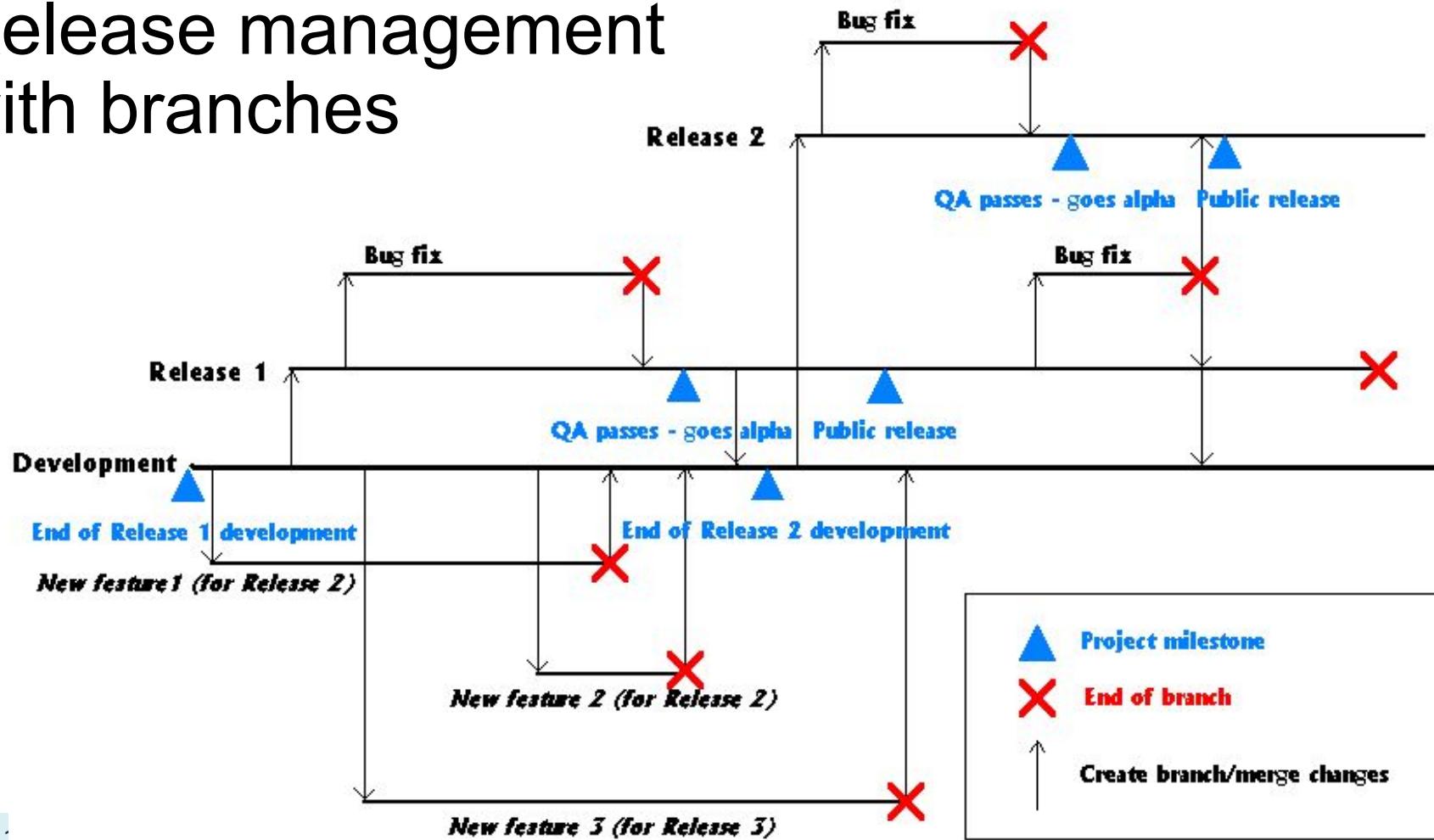
# Versioning entire projects

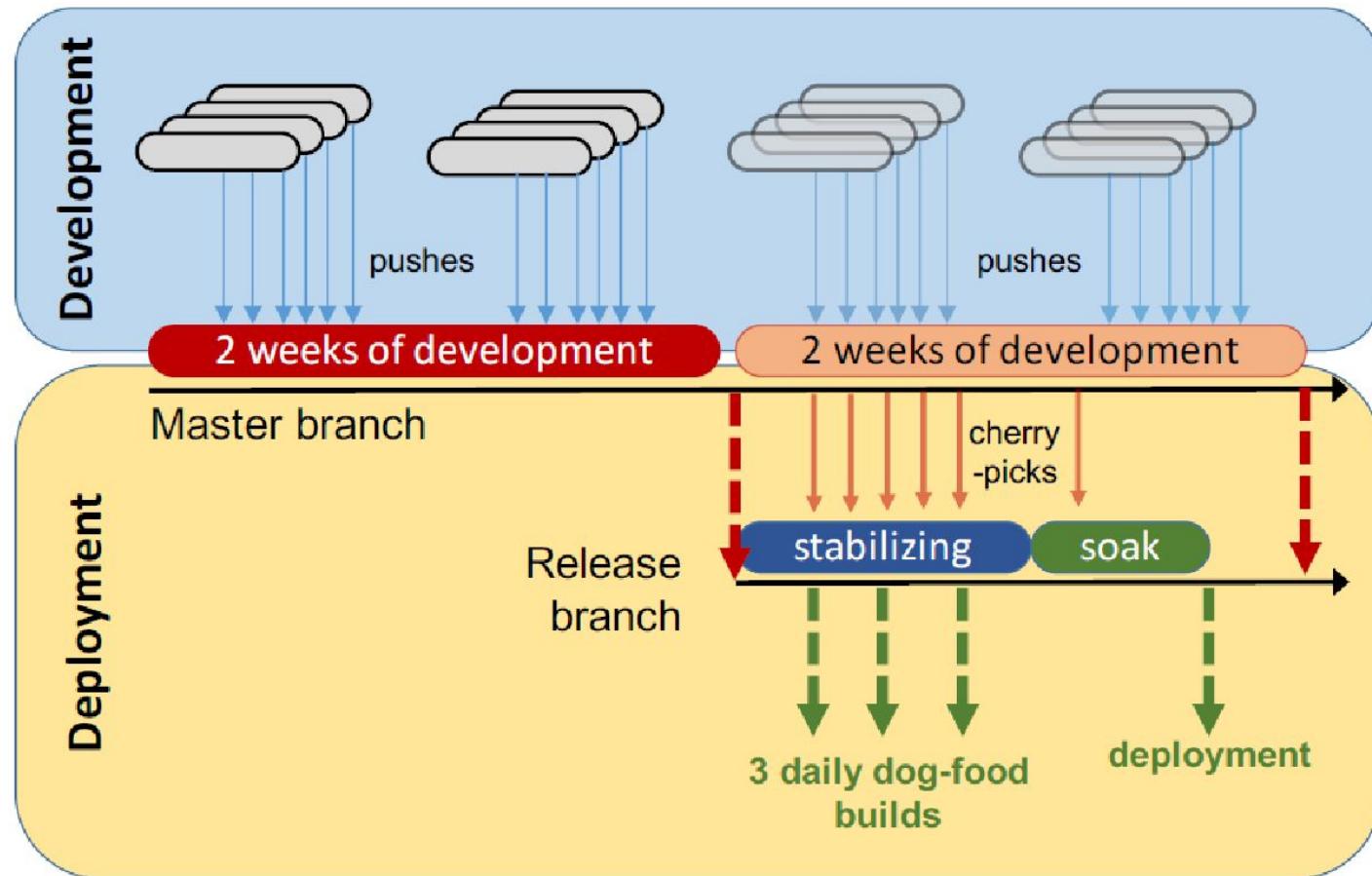


# Release management with branches



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Example: Pre-2017 release  
management model at Facebook

# Facebook Tests for Mobile Apps

Unit tests (white box)

Static analysis (null pointer warnings, memory leaks, ...)

Build tests (compilation succeeds)

Snapshot tests (screenshot comparison, pixel by pixel)

Integration tests (black box, in simulators)

Performance tests (resource usage)

Capacity and conformance tests (custom)

Further readings: Rossi, Chuck, Elisa Shibley, Shi Su, Kent Beck, Tony Savor, and Michael Stumm. Continuous deployment of mobile software at facebook (showcase). In Proceedings of the 2016 24th ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on Foundations of Software Engineering, pp. 12-23. ACM, 2016.

# Diff lifecycle: local testing



Tools/xctool/xctool/xctool/Version.m

```
1 #import "Version.h"
2
3 NSString * const XCToolVersionString = @"0.2.1";
```

View Options ▾

```
1 #import "Version.h"
2
3 NSString * const XCToolVersionString = @"0.2.2";
```

PASS ExampleTest (0.050s)

.

OK (1 test, 4 assertions)

OK  
(1 tests, 4 assertions, 0 incomplete, 0 failures)

Test and lint locally

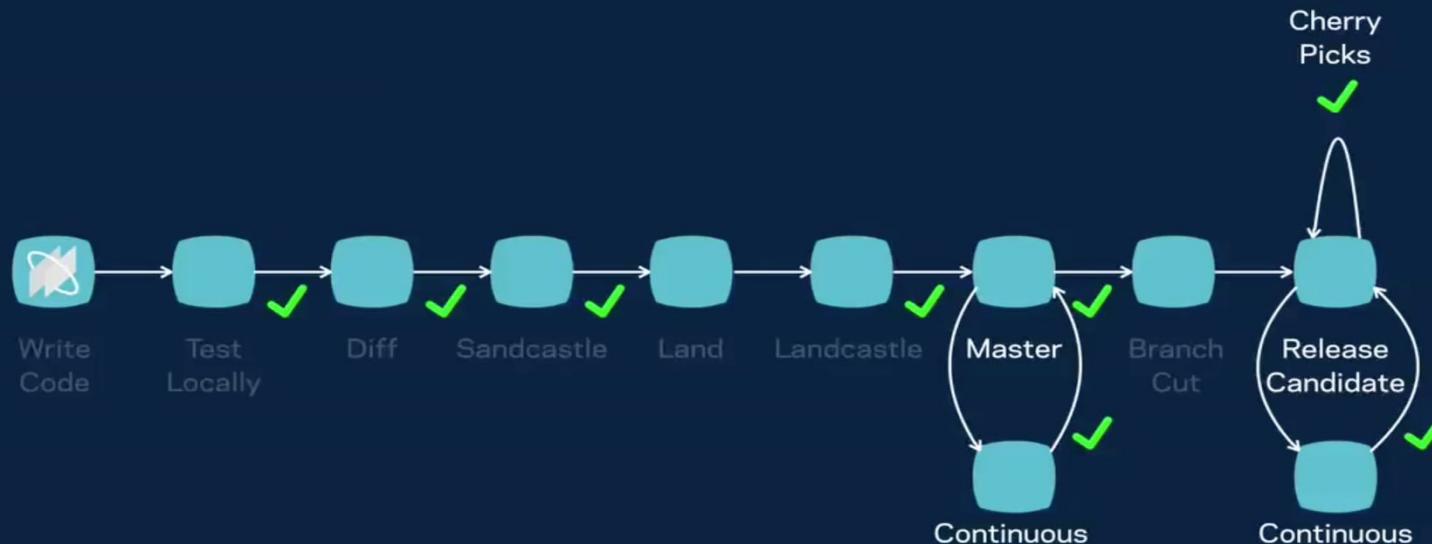
# Diff lifecycle: CI testing (data center)



	Facebook	Messenger	Groups	...
arm	✓	✓	✓	✓
x86	✓	✓	✓	✓
...	✓	✓	✓	✓

App and Build  
Configuration Matrix

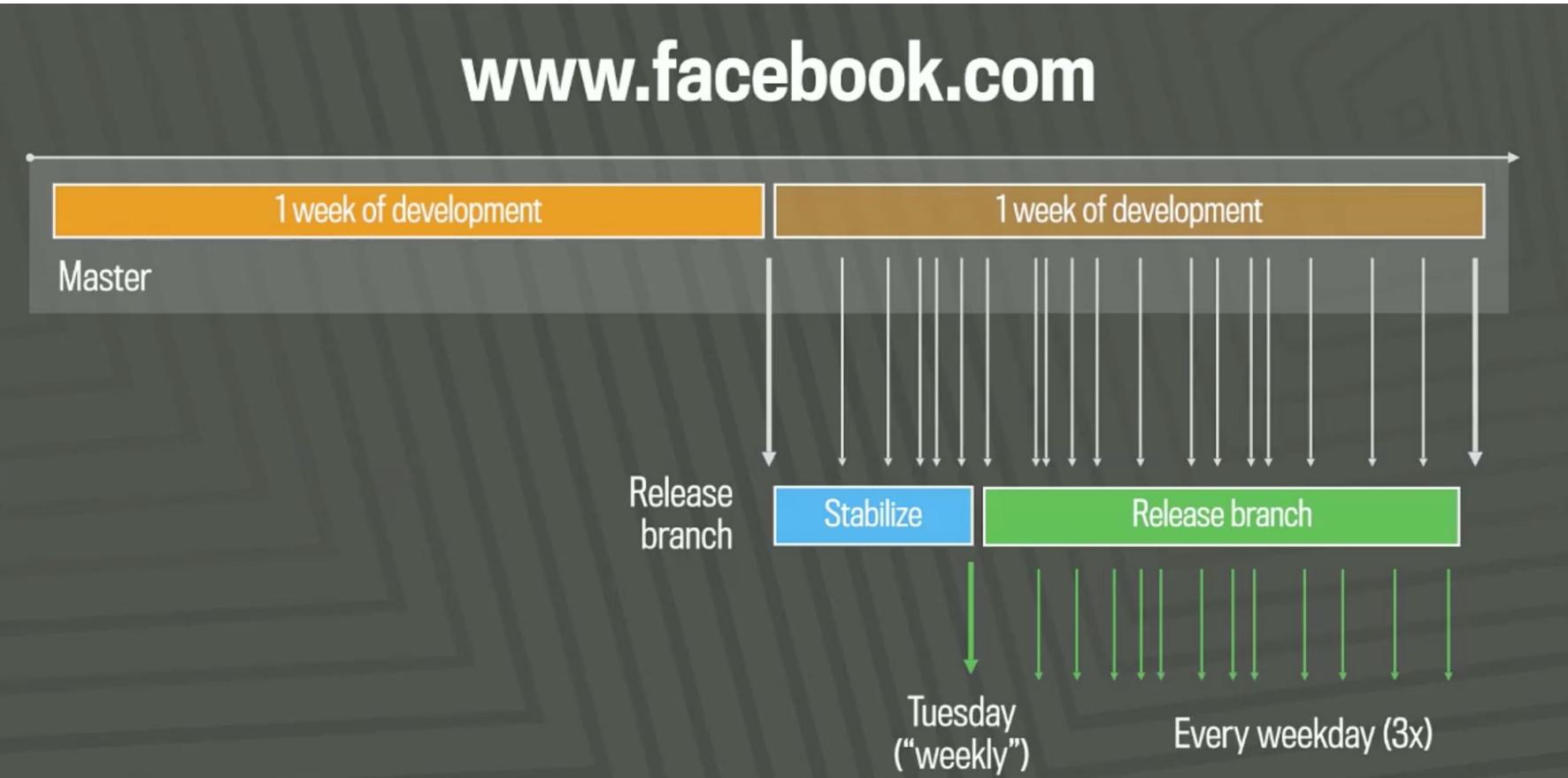
# Diff lifecycle: diff ends up on main branch



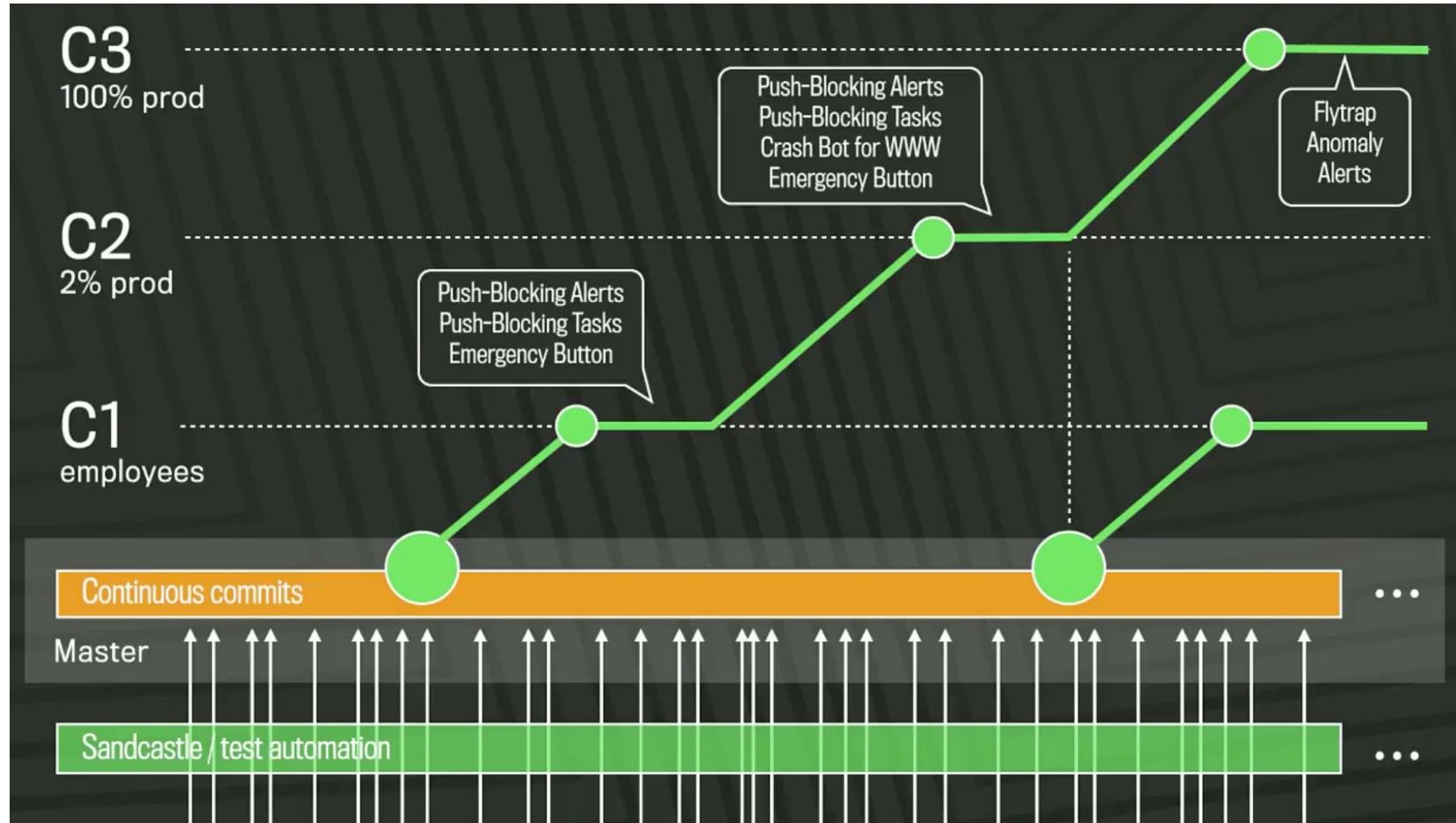
Dogfooding

(the use of one's own products)

# Release every two weeks



Quasi-continuous push from master (1,000+ devs, 1,000 diffs/day); 10 pushes/day

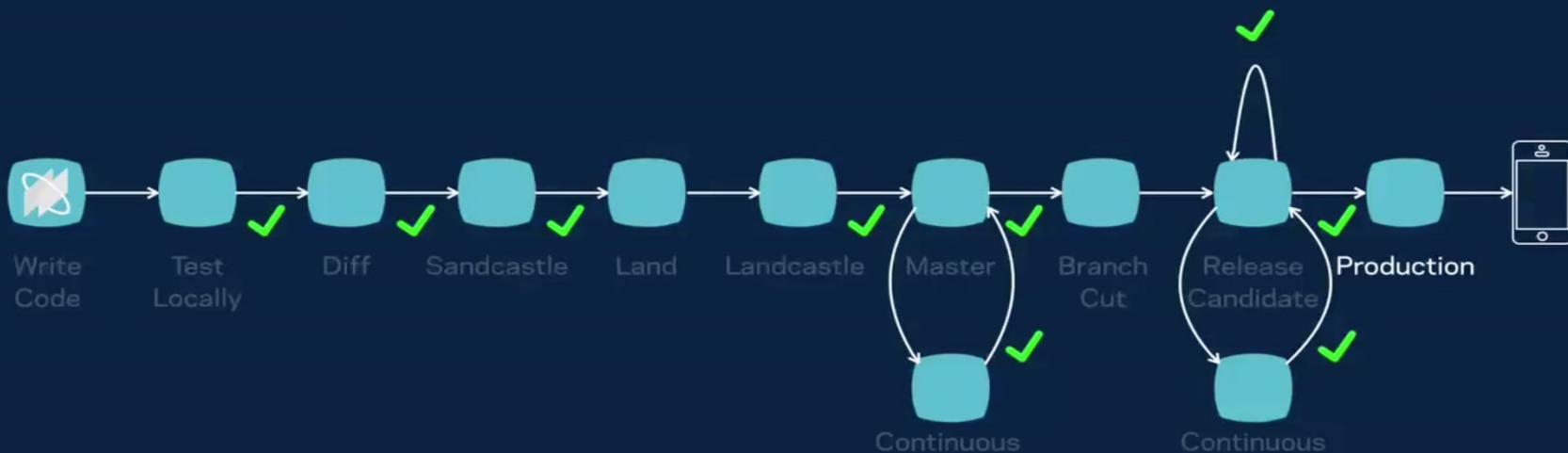


<https://samritchie.wordpress.com/2013/10/16/build-server-traffic-lights/>



<https://www.softwire.com/blog/2013/09/26/continuous-integration-traffic-lights-revamp/index.html>

# Diff lifecycle: in production



# Release Challenges for Mobile Apps

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Any alternatives?

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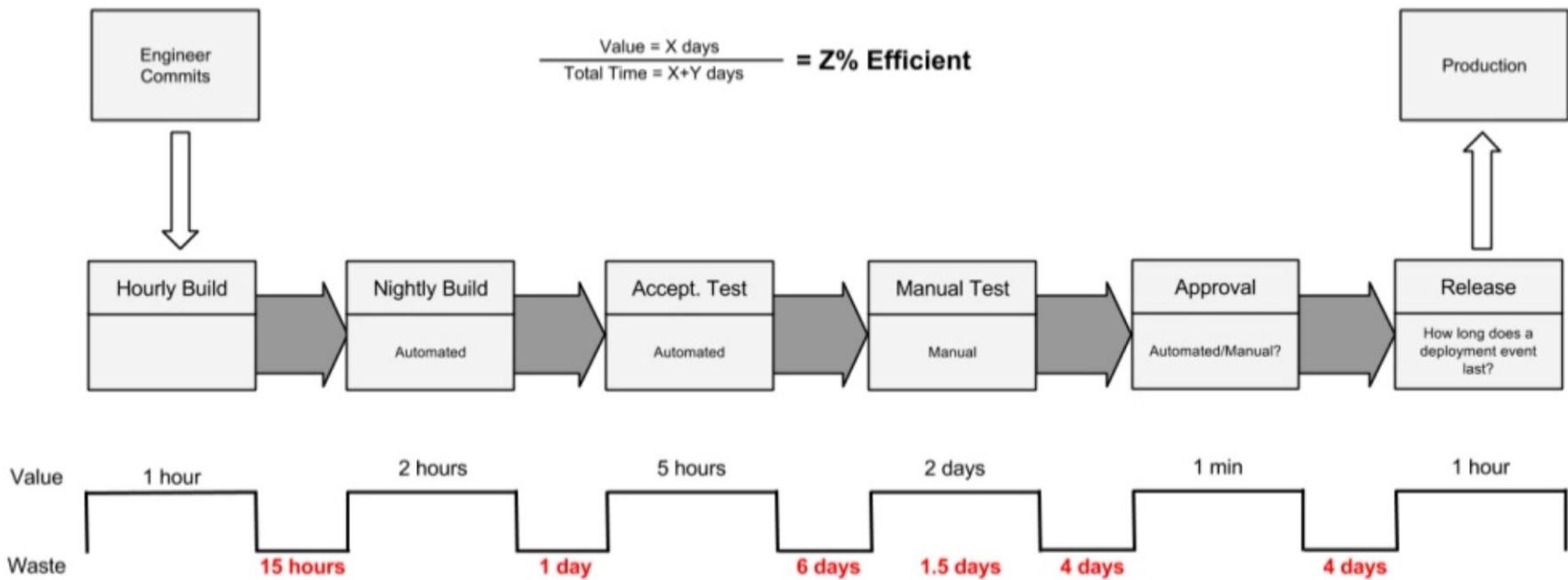
Current trend:

- App as container, most content + layout from server
- Server side releases silent and quick, consistent

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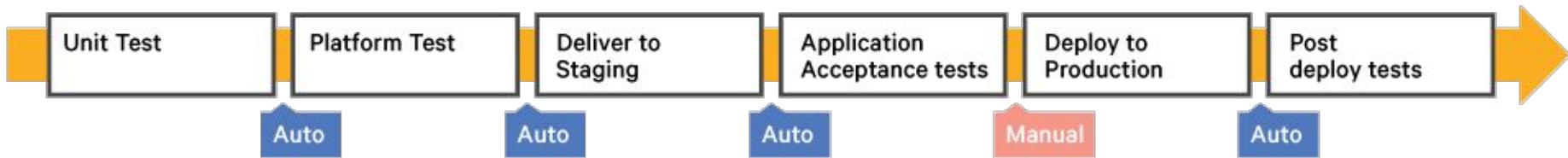
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# Efficiency of release pipeline

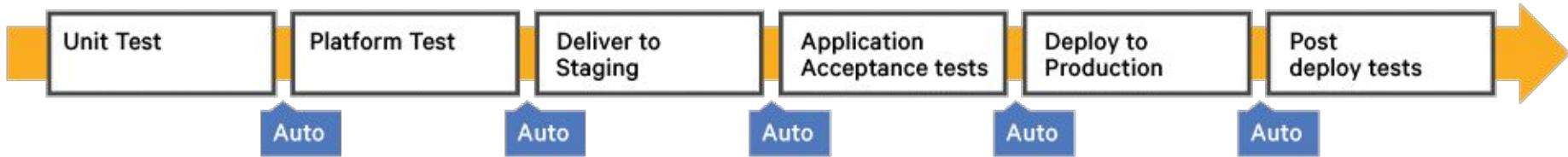


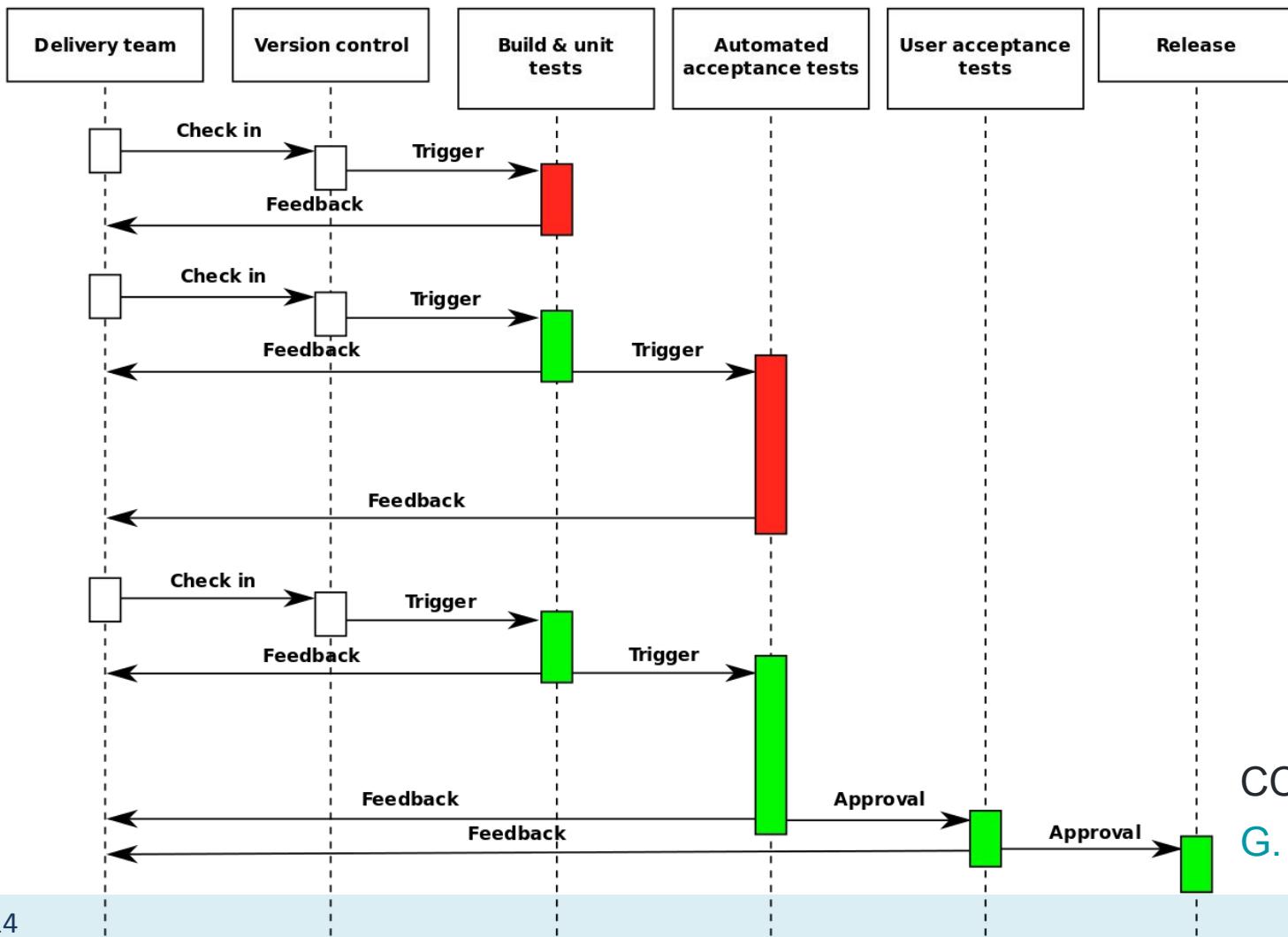
# Let's automate all the things!

## Continuous Delivery



## Continuous Deployment





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# Running Software



# Containers drastically simplify managing ops

A virtual machine, but:

- Lightweight virtualization
- Sub-second boot time
- Shareable virtual images with full setup incl. configuration settings
- Separate docker images for separate services (web server, business logic, database, ...)
- Used a lot in development, not just deployment



Lots more on Tuesday

# Key idea: Configuration management, Infrastructure as Code

- Scripts to change system configurations (configuration files, install packages, versions, ...); declarative vs imperative
- Usually put under version control

```
- hosts: all  
  sudo: yes  
  tasks:  
    - apt: name={{ item }}  
      with_items:  
        - ldap-auth-client  
        - nscd  
    - shell: auth-client-config -t nss -p lac_ldap  
    - copy: src=ldap/my_mkhomedir dest=...  
    - copy: src=ldap/ldap.conf dest=/etc/ldap.conf  
    - shell: pam-auth-update --package  
    - shell: /etc/init.d/nscd restart
```

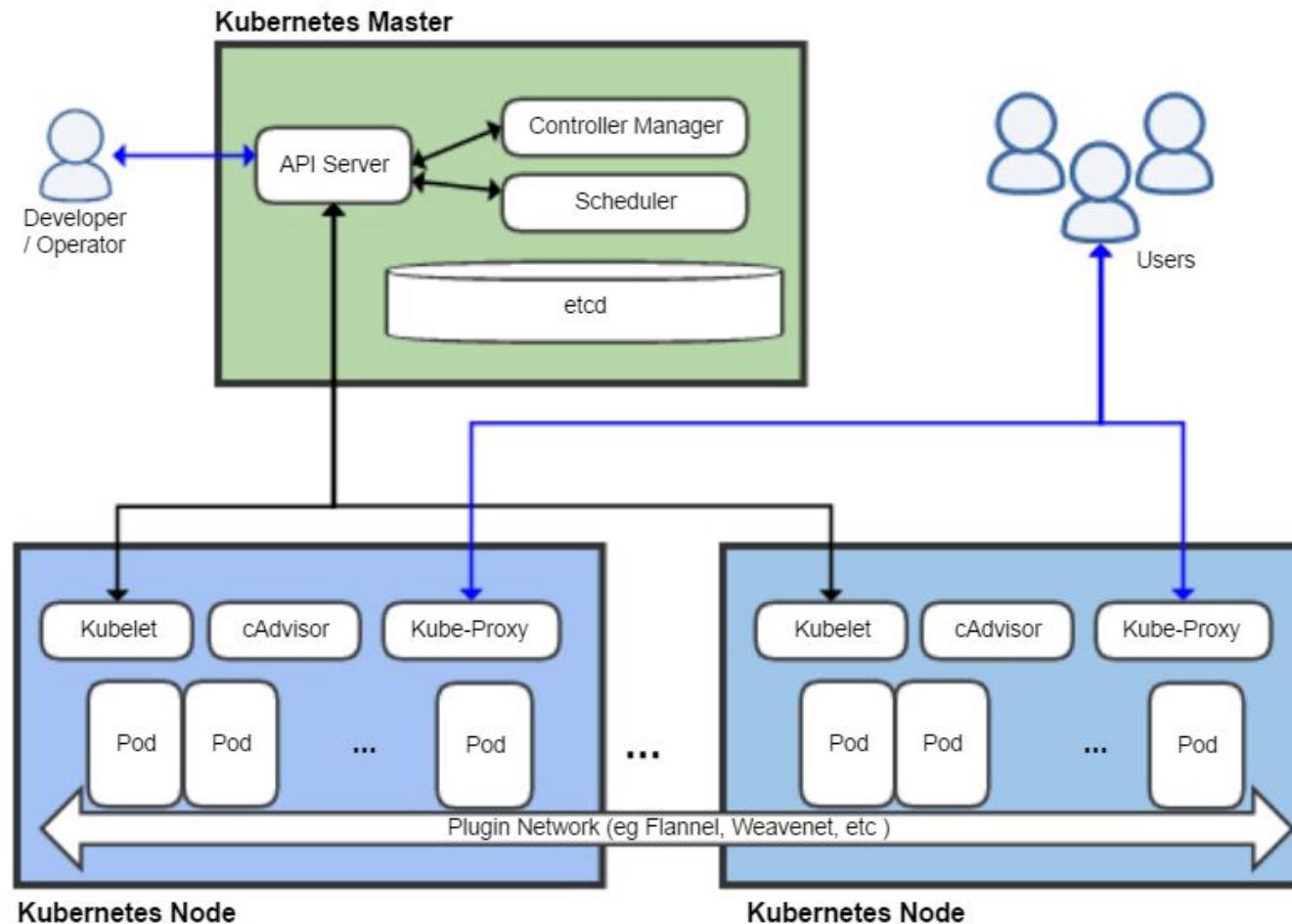
(ansible)

```
$nameservers = ['10.0.2.3']  
file { '/etc/resolv.conf':  
  ensure => file,  
  owner => 'root',  
  group => 'root',  
  mode => '0644',  
  content => template('resolver/r.conf'),  
}
```

(Puppet)

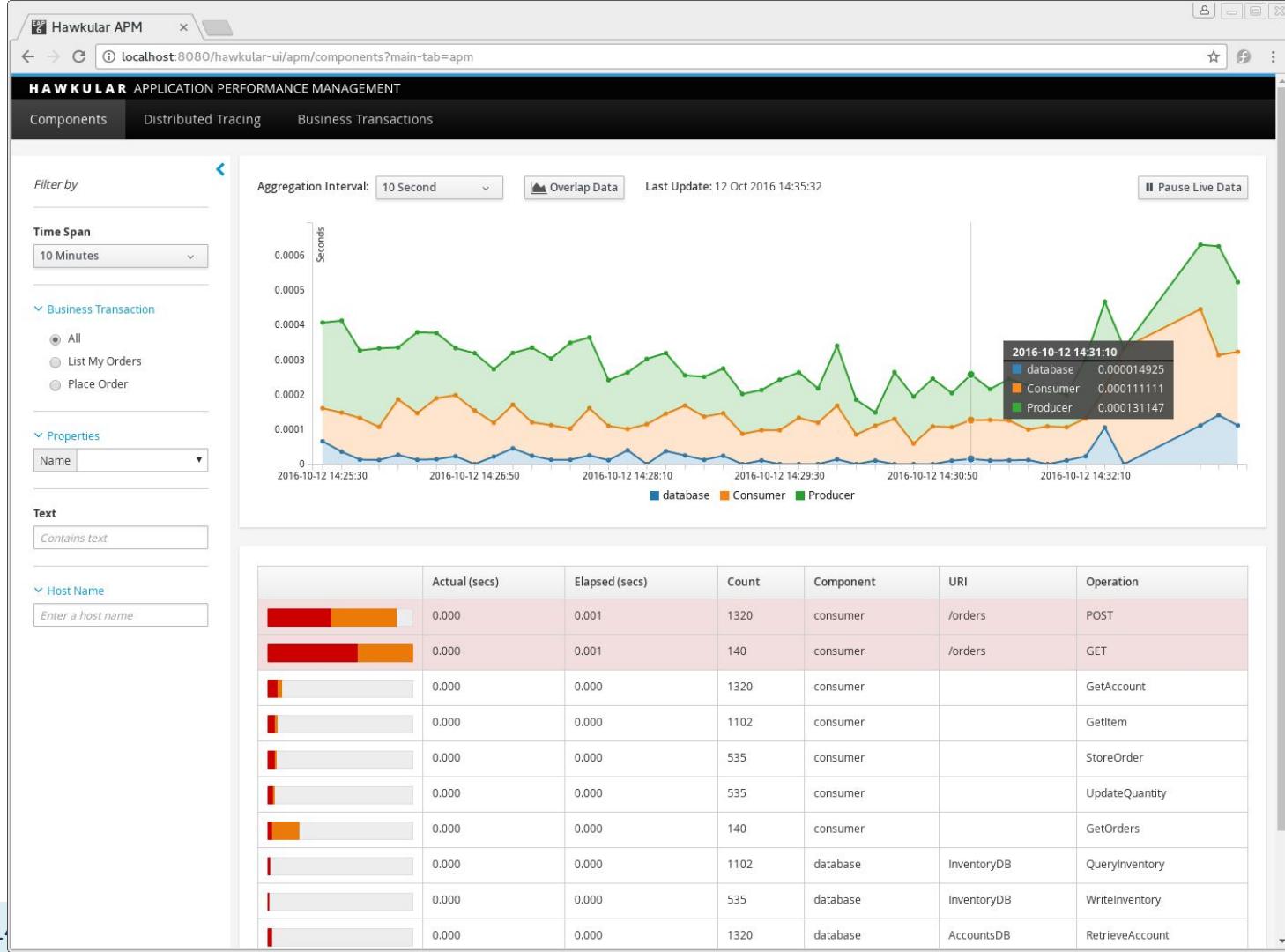
# Container Orchestration with Kubernetes

- Manages which container to deploy to which machine
- Launches and kills containers depending on load
- Manage updates and routing
- Automated restart, replacement, replication, scaling
- Kubernetes master controls many nodes



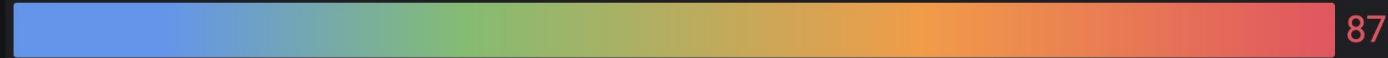
# Monitoring

- Monitor server health
- Monitor service health
- Collect and analyze measures or log files
- Dashboards and triggering automated decisions
  - Many tools, e.g., Grafana as dashboard, Prometheus for metrics, Loki + ElasticSearch for logs
  - Push and pull models





Temperature



A-series



B-series



E-series



C-series

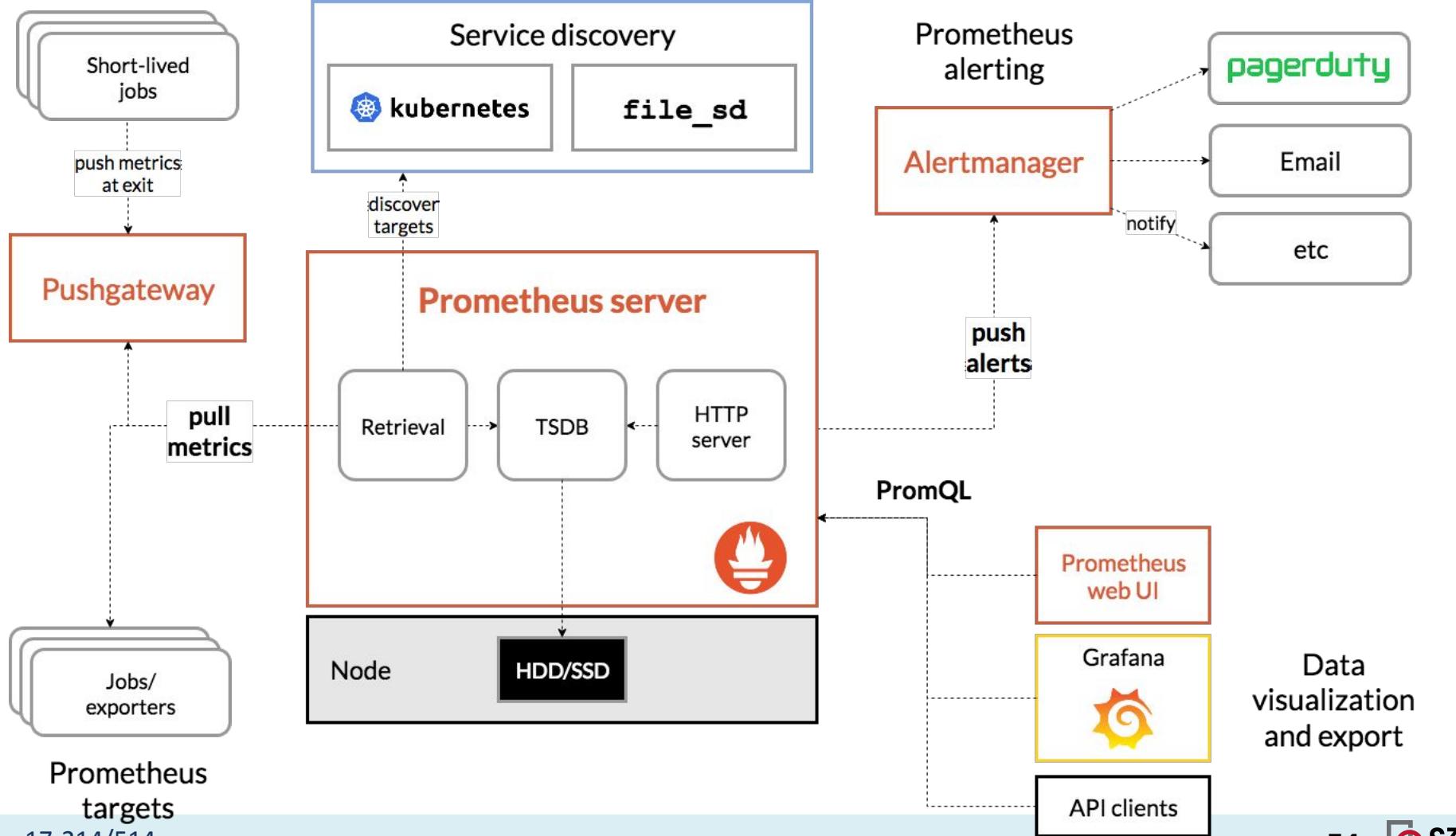


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# Grafana





# QA doesn't stop in Dev: Testing in Production



Changelog  
@changelog



"Don't worry, our users will notify us if there's a problem"



10:03 AM · Jun 8, 2019



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# Chaos Experiments

Screenshot of a GitHub repository page for "Netflix / SimianArmy". The page title is "The Chaos Monkey Army". It shows basic repository statistics: 39 issues, 6 pull requests, and 6 actions. The "Wiki" tab is currently selected. The main content discusses the "Chaos Monkey" and its evolution from a simple EC2 instance shutdown to a complex tool for simulating various failure scenarios. It also explains how instances are terminated and how chaos strategies are chosen.

The Chaos Monkey Army

Cory Bennett edited this page on Jan 5, 2015 · 3 revisions

Disambiguation: For the electro-metal dance group that's all the rage in the underground scene, please consult [Rolling Stone](#).

Originally the Netflix Chaos Monkey would just cleanly shut down an instance through the EC2 APIs. In order to simulate more failure scenarios, there are now many different ways the chaos monkey can 'break' an instance, to simulate different types of failures. If your application can cope with all of them, it is more likely to be able to cope with "unknown unknowns" failure scenarios.

After an instance is selected for termination by the chaos monkey, it chooses a chaos strategy randomly, from the list of enabled chaos strategies. You can enable/disable a strategy by editing `chaos.properties`. Also, some strategies are not always applicable; some may require SSH access or may only be applicable to instances with EBS volumes. If the strategy isn't applicable, you don't have to worry, it just won't be chosen.





Microsoft  
**Windows 95**  
Final Beta Release



# Crash Telemetry



# A/B Testing



Original: 2.3%

The original landing page for Groove. It features a large image of a smiling man in a plaid shirt. Text on the left reads: "SaaS & eCommerce Customer Support. Managing customer support requests in Groove is so easy. Way better than trying to use Gmail or a more complicated help desk." A quote from "Griffin, Customer Champion at Allocacoo" is included. Below the image are four navigation links: "How it works", "What you get", "What it costs", and "How we're different". At the bottom, a call-to-action button says "Learn More".

Long Form: 4.3%

The long-form landing page version of Groove. It includes the same main headline and quote as the original. Below the headline is a sub-headline: "Assign support emails to the right people, feel confident that customers are being followed up with and always know what's going on." A video player shows a man speaking, with the caption "ALLAN USES GROOVE TO GROW HIS BUSINESS. HERE'S HOW". To the right, there's a sidebar with "WHAT YOU'LL DISCOVER ON THIS PAGE" and a list of five bullet points. At the bottom, social media icons and links to other services like BuySellAds, METALAB, and StatusPage.io are present.

# What If

- ... we had plenty of subjects for experiments
- ... we could randomly assign subjects to treatment and control group without them knowing
- ... we could analyze small individual changes and keep everything else constant
  - ▶ Ideal conditions for controlled experiments
  - ▶ Toward causal inference

# Implementing A/B Testing

Implement alternative versions of the system

- Using feature flags (decisions in implementation)
- Separate deployments (decision in router/load balancer)

Map users to treatment group

- Randomly from distribution
- Static user - group mapping
- Online service (e.g., [launchdarkly](#), [split](#))

Monitor outcomes per group

- Telemetry, sales, time on site, server load, crash rate

# Feature Flags

Boolean options

Good practices: tracked explicitly, documented, keep them localized and independent

External mapping of flags to customers

- who should see what configuration
- e.g., 1% of users sees one\_click\_checkout, but always the same users; or 50% of beta-users and 90% of developers and 0.1% of all users

```
if (features.enabled(userId, "one_click_checkout")) {  
    // new one click checkout function  
} else {  
    // old checkout functionality  
}
```

```
def isEnabled(user): Boolean = (hash(user.id) % 100) < 10
```

▼ Treatments ⓘ   2 treatments, if Split is killed serve the default treatment of "off"		
Treatment	Default	Description
on		The new version of registration process is enabled.
off		The old version of registration process is enabled.

[+ Add treatment](#) | Learn more about multivariate treatments.

▼ Whitelist ⓘ | 0 user(s) or segments individually targeted.

[+ Add whitelist](#)

▼ Traffic Allocation ⓘ | 100% of user included in Split rules evaluation below.

Total Traffic Allocation: 100 % total User in Split

▼ Targeting Rules ⓘ | 2 rules created for targeting.



[+ Add rule](#)

▼ Default Rule ⓘ | Serve treatment of "off".

serve off

# Comparing Outcomes

## Group A

base game

2158 Users

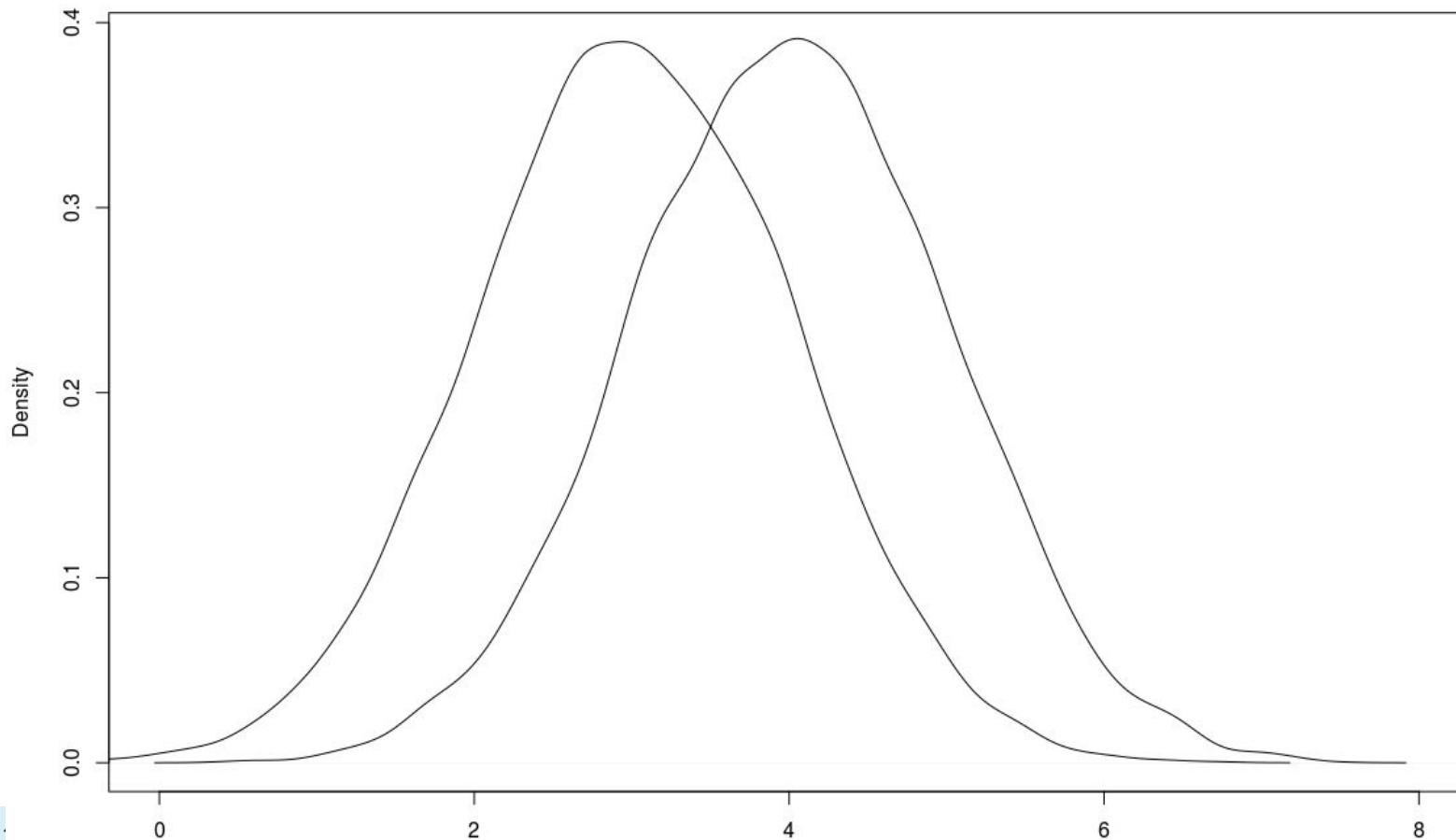
average 18:13 min time  
on site

## Group B

game with extra god  
cards

10 Users

average 20:24 min time  
on site



# Experiment Created

[Edit](#)[Remove](#)[Delete](#)

✓ Test it out is beating Original Page by +25.4%.

The percentage of visitors who clicked on a tracked element.

Variations	Conversions / Visitors	Conversion Rate	Baseline	Chance to beat Baseline	Improvement
Experiment	Conversions / Visitors	Conversion Rate			
Test it out	462 / 3,568	12.9% ( $\pm 1.1\%$ )		100.0%	+25.4%
Give it a try	440 / 3,479	12.6% ( $\pm 1.1\%$ )		99.9%	+22.5%
Try it out	395 / 3,504	11.3% ( $\pm 1.0\%$ )		90.2%	+9.2%
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# The Morality Of A/B Testing

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We don't use the "real" Facebook. Or Twitter. Or Google, Yahoo, or LinkedIn. We are almost all part of experiments they quietly run to see if different versions with little changes make us use more, visit more, click more, or buy more. By signing up for these services, we technically give consent to be treated like guinea pigs.

But this weekend, Facebook stirred up [controversy](#) because one of its data science researchers published the results of an experiment on 689,003 users to see if showing them more positive or negative sentiment posts in the News Feed would affect their happiness levels as deduced by what they posted. The impact of this experiment on manipulating emotions was tiny, but it

# Canary Releases

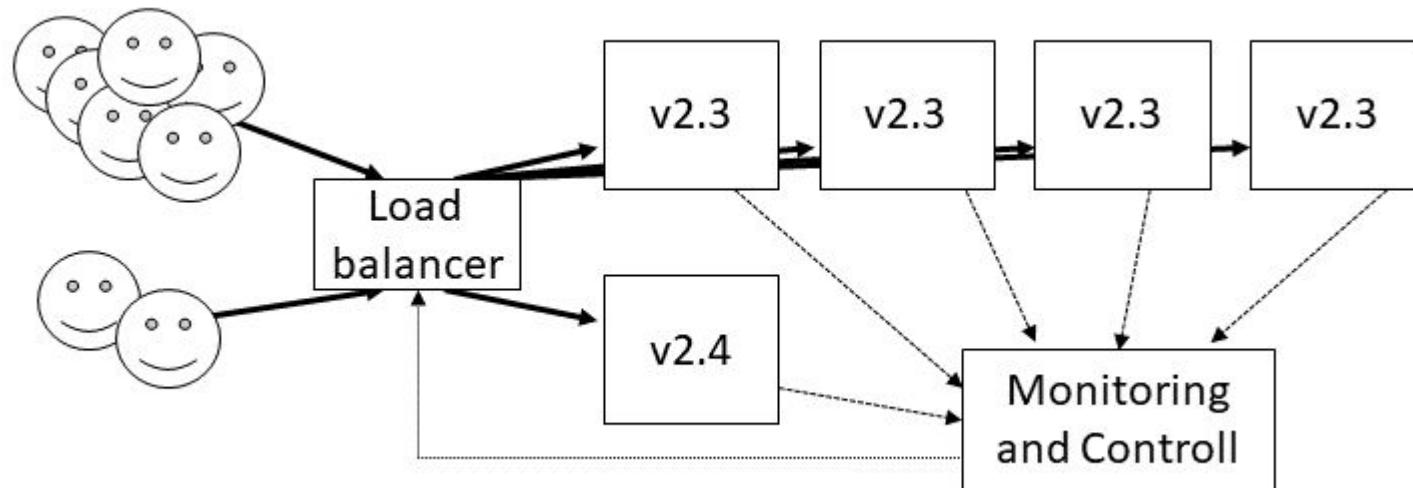


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# Canary Releases

- Testing releases in production
- Incrementally deploy a new release to users, not all at once
- Monitor difference in outcomes (e.g., crash rates, performance, user engagement)
- Automatically roll back bad releases
- Technically similar to A/B testing
- Telemetry essential

# Canary Releases



# Canary Releases at Facebook

Phase 0: Automated unit tests

Phase 1: Release to Facebook employees

Phase 2: Release to subset of production machines

Phase 3: Release to full cluster

Phase 4: Commit to master, rollout everywhere

Monitored metrics: server load, crashes, click-through rate

Further readings: Tang, Chunqiang, Thawan Kooburat, Pradeep Venkatachalam, Akshay Chander, Zhe Wen, Aravind Narayanan, Patrick Dowell, and Robert Karl. [Holistic configuration management at Facebook](#). In Proceedings of the 25th Symposium on Operating Systems Principles, pp. 328-343. ACM, 2015. and Rossi, Chuck, Elisa Shibley, Shi Su, Kent Beck, Tony Savor, and Michael Stumm. [Continuous deployment of mobile software at facebook \(showcase\)](#). In Proceedings of the 2016 24th ACM SIGSOFT International Symposium on Foundations of Software Engineering, pp. 12-23. ACM, 2016.

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# Summary

Increasing automation of tests and deployments

Containers and configuration management tools help with automation, deployment, and rollbacks

Monitoring becomes important

Many new opportunities for testing in production (feature flags are common)

Bonus: You need smarter tools to operate at modern scale

# 1. Lots of automation (example from Google)

## Additional tooling support

Now also: language model-based completions:

<https://ai.googleblog.com/2022/07/ml-enhanced-code-completion-improves.html>

Critique

Code review

CodeSearch\* Code browsing, exploration, understanding, and archeology

Tricorder\*\* Static analysis of code surfaced in Critique, CodeSearch

Presubmits Customizable checks, testing, can block commit

TAP Comprehensive testing before and after commit, auto-rollback

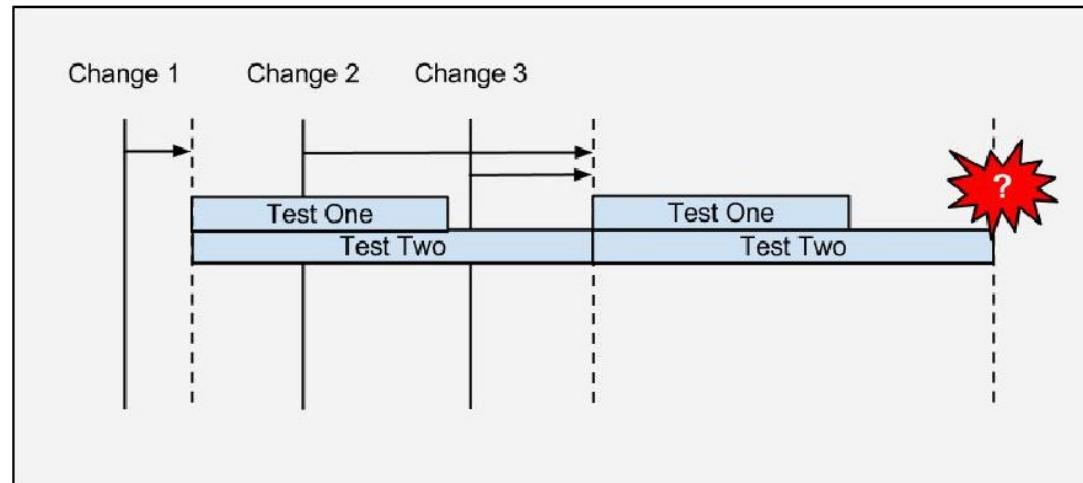
Rosie Large-scale change distribution and management

\* See "How Developers Search for Code: A Case Study", In European Software Engineering Conference and the ACM SIGSOFT Symposium on the Foundations of Software Engineering, 2015

\*\* See "Tricorder: Building a program analysis ecosystem". In International Conference on Software Engineering (ICSE), 2015

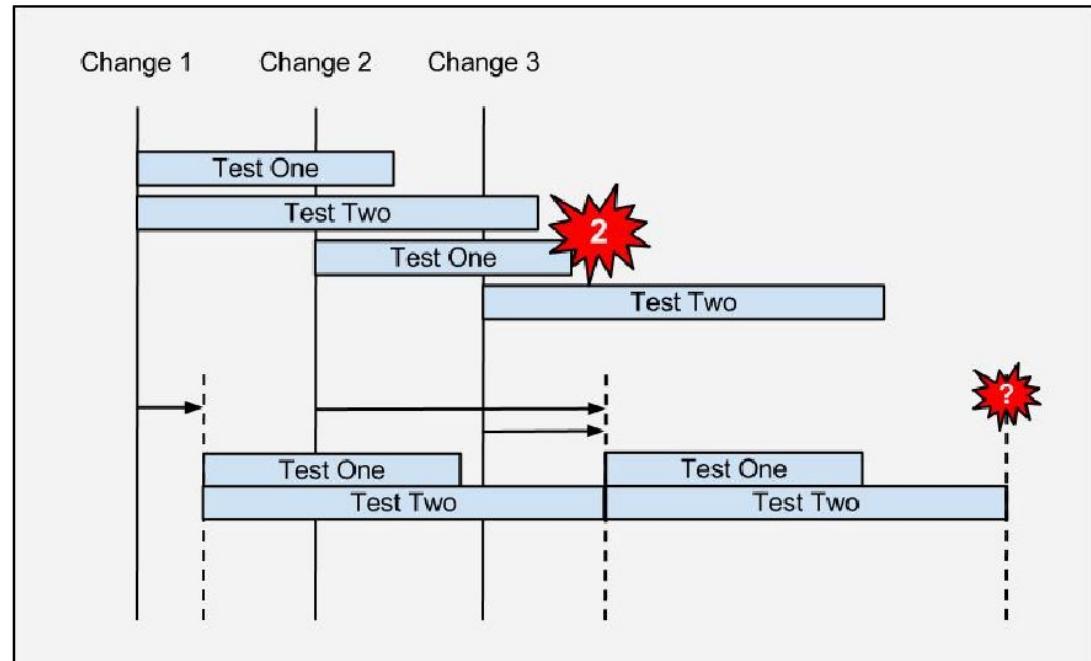
## 2. Build system

- Triggers builds in continuous cycle
- Cycle time = longest build + test cycle
- Tests many changes together
- Which change broke the build?



## 2. Build system

- Triggers tests on every change
- Uses fine-grained dependencies
- Change 2 broke test 1



Google Confidential and Proprietary

Google Continuous Integration Display

## 2. Build system

- Identifies failures sooner
- Identifies culprit change precisely
  - Avoids divide-and-conquer and tribal knowledge
- Lower compute costs using fine grained dependencies
- Keeps the build green by reducing time to fix breaks
- Accepted enthusiastically by product teams
- Enables teams to ship with fast iteration times
  - Supports submit-to-production times of less than 36 hours for some projects

# 2. Build system

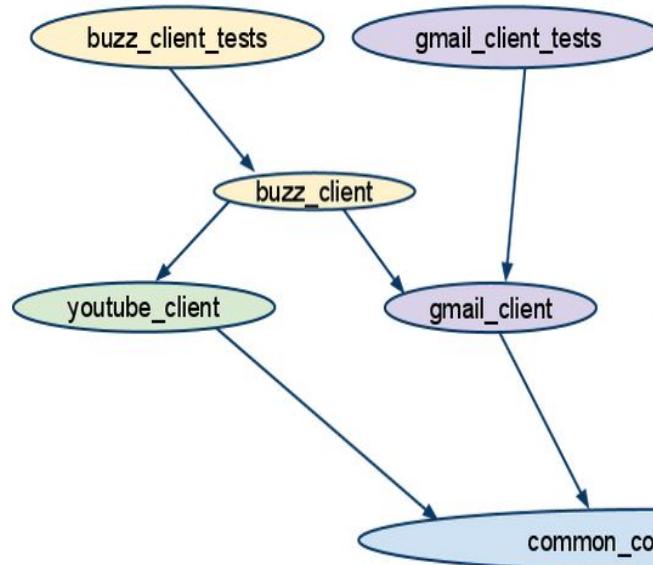
## Google Costs

- Requires enormous investment in compute resources (it helps to be at Google) grows in proportion to:
  - Submission rate
  - Average build + test time
  - Variants (debug, opt, valgrind, etc.)
  - Increasing dependencies on core libraries
  - Branches
- Requires updating dependencies on each change
  - Takes time to update - delays start of testing

# Which tests to run?

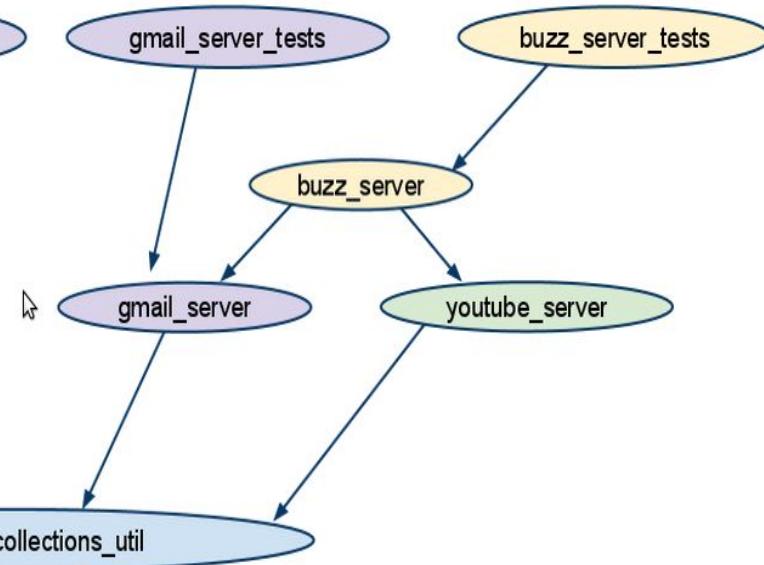
**GMAIL**

**Test Target:**  
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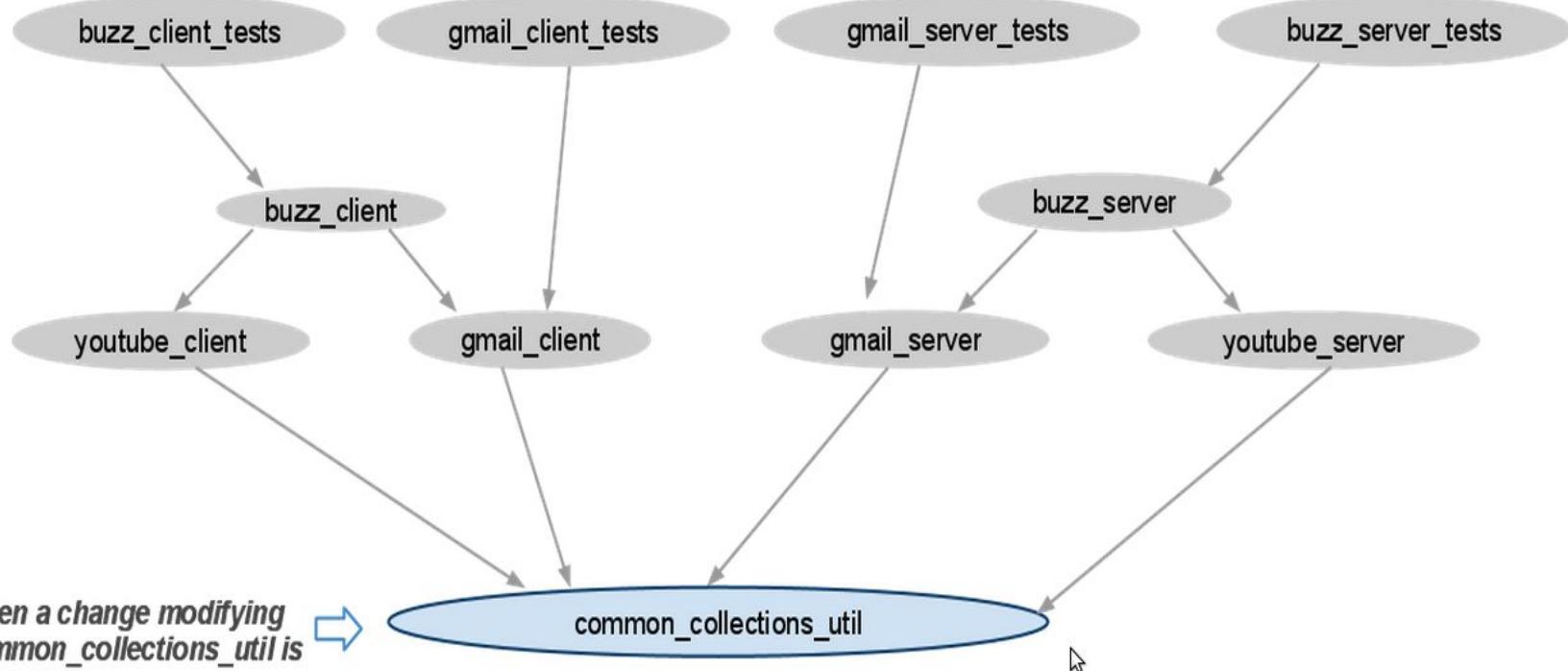


**BUZZ**

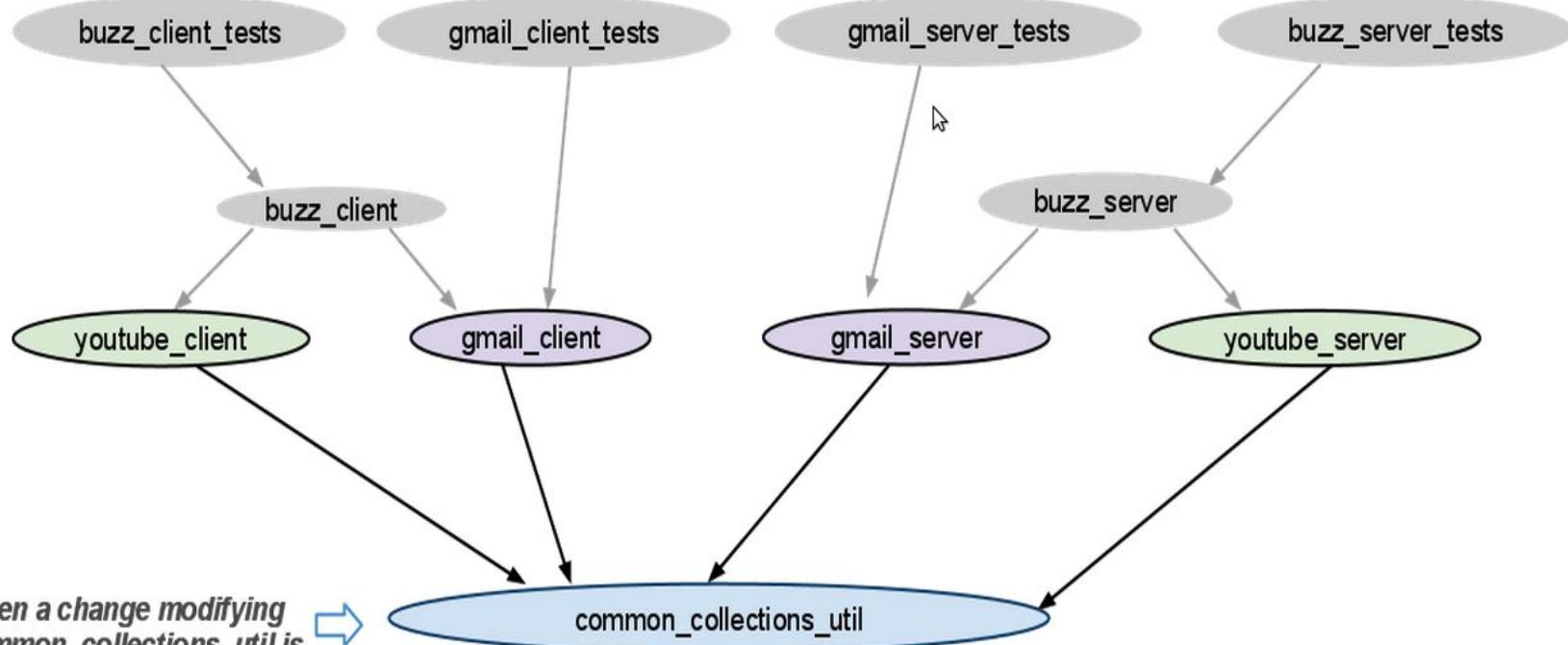
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# Scenario 1: a change modifies common\_collections\_util

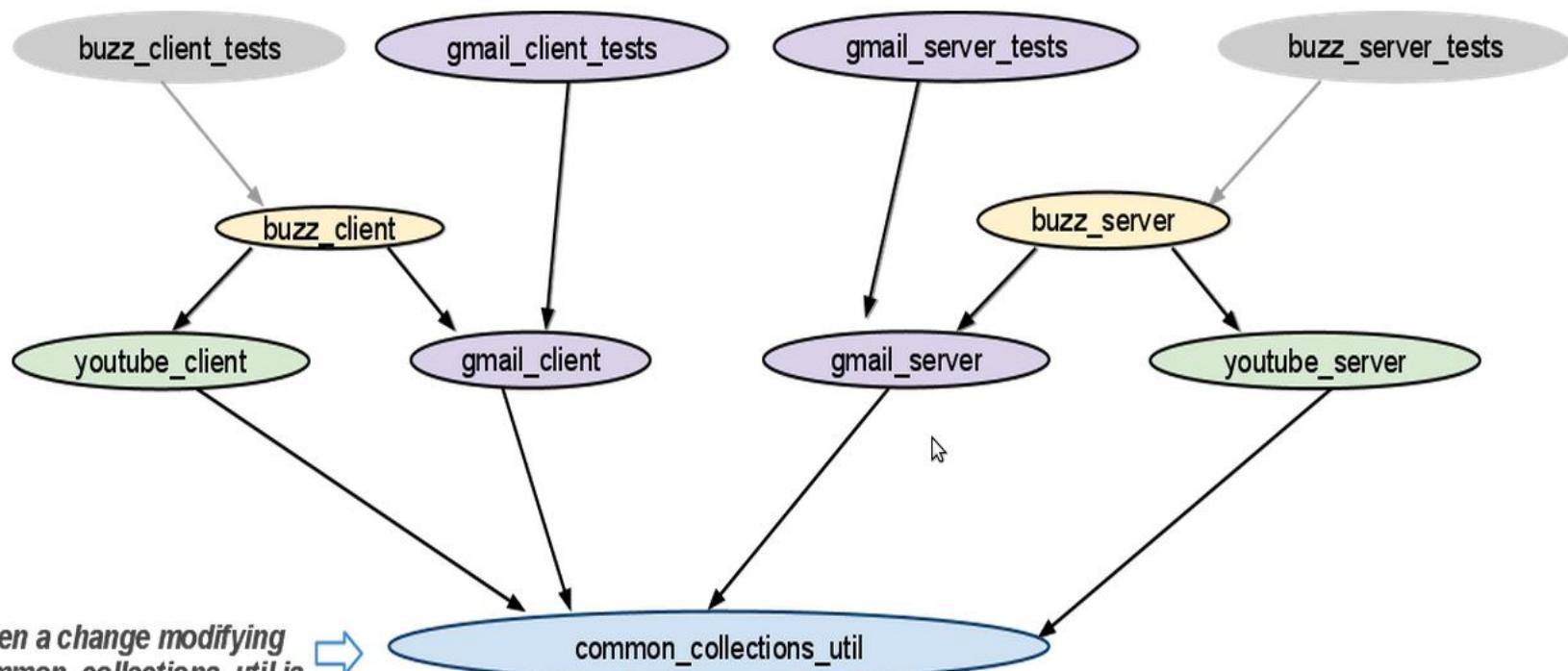


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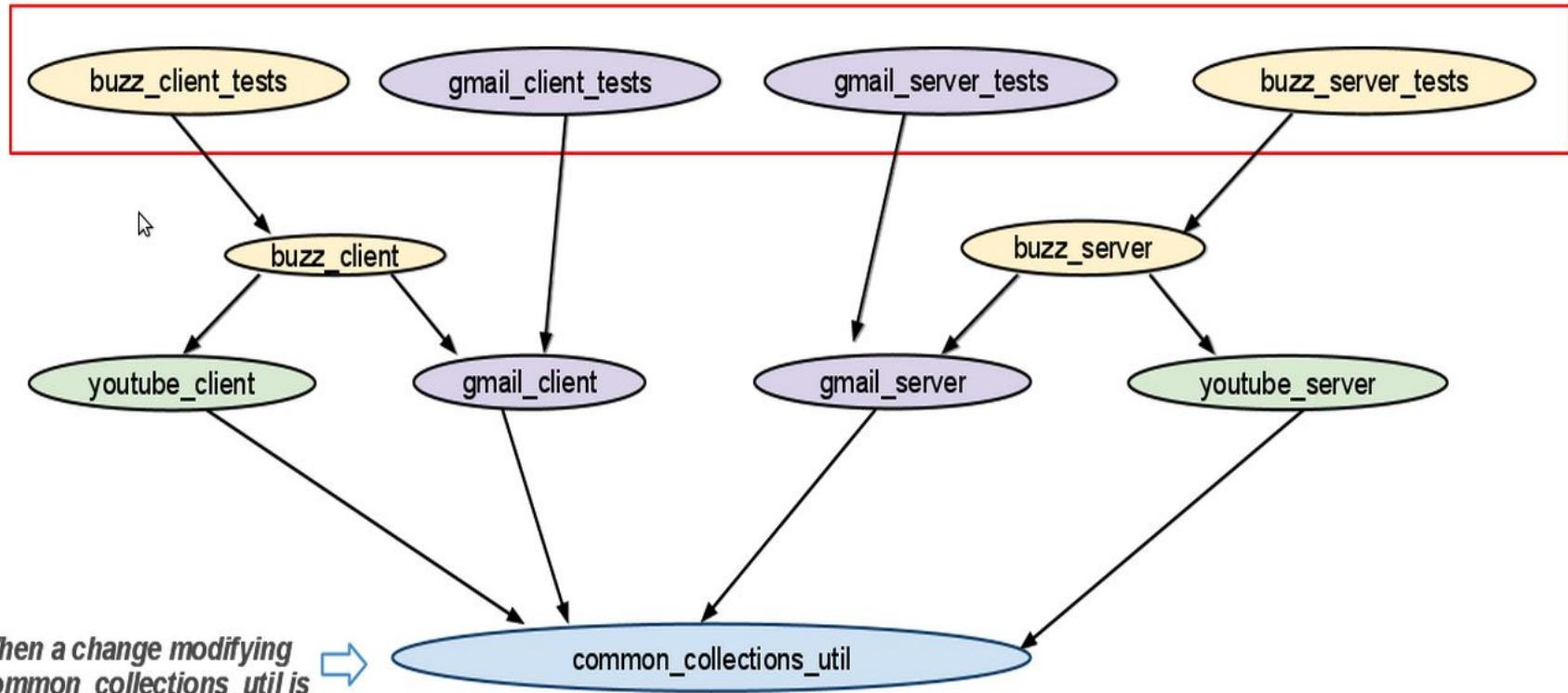
When a change modifying  
common\_collections\_util is  
submitted.

# Scenario 1: a change modifies common\_collections\_util

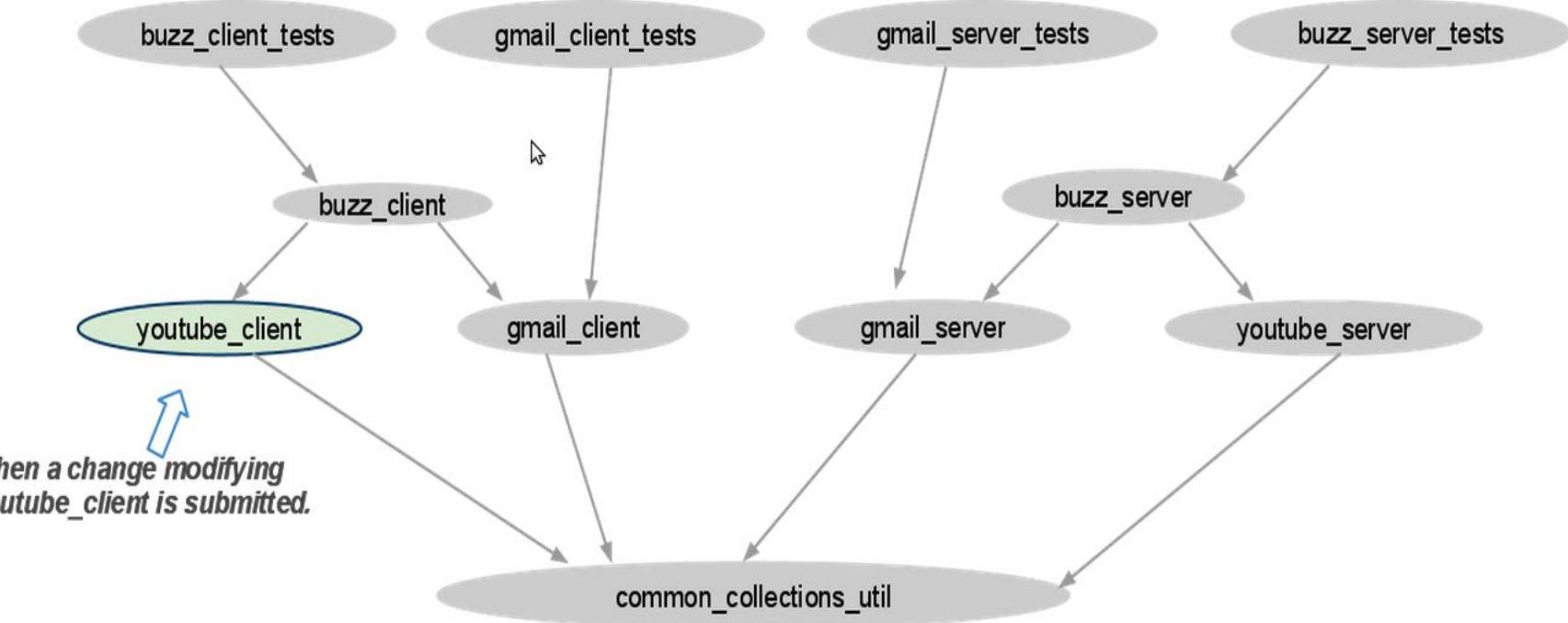


# Scenario 1: a change modifies common\_collections\_util

All tests are affected! Both Gmail and Buzz projects need to be updated

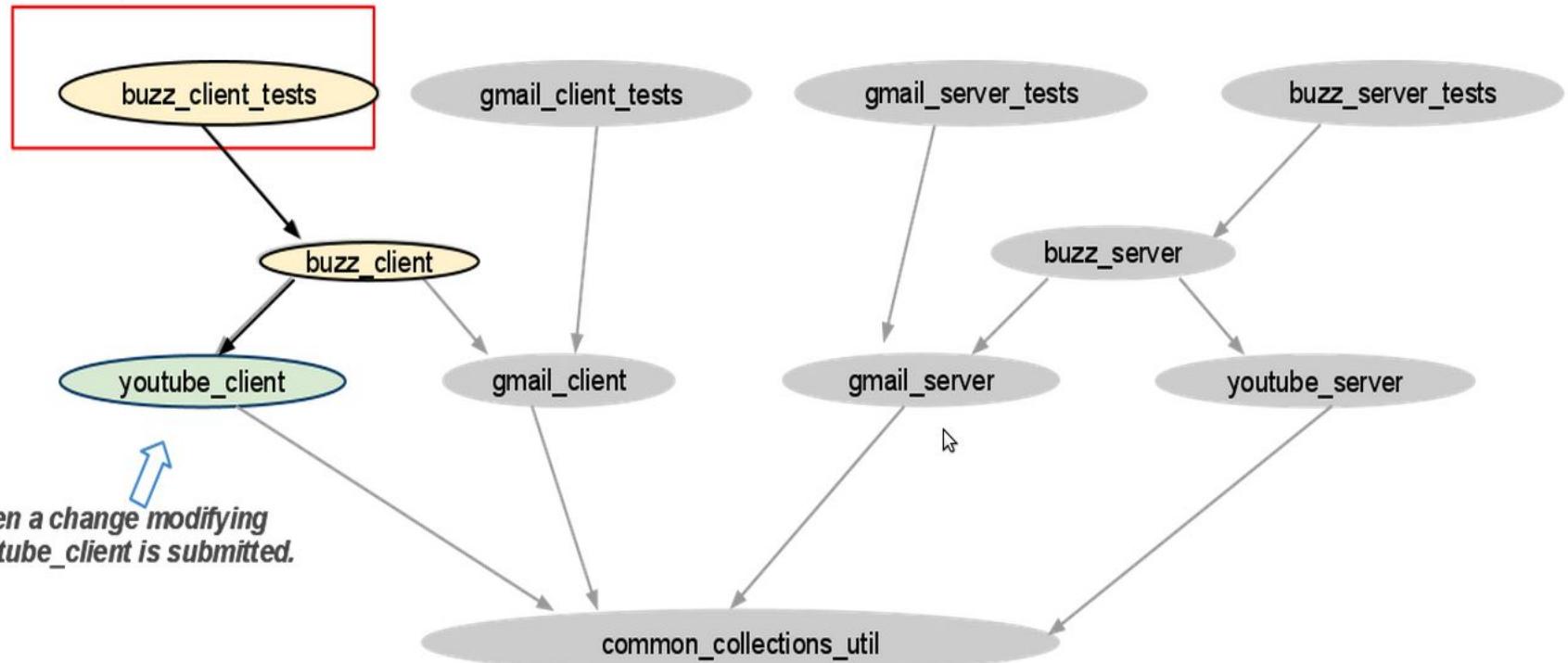


# Scenario 2: a change modifies the youtube\_client



# Scenario 2: a change modifies the youtube\_client

Only buzz\_client\_tests are run and  
only Buzz project needs to be updated.



# 3. Version control

- Problem: even git can get slow at Facebook scale
  - 1M+ source control commands run per day
  - 100K+ commits per week



# 3. Version control

- Solution: redesign version control
  - Sparse checkouts: only fetch metadata (lightweight), get source on-demand
  - Don't fetch entire history. Can do this with git too (git clone --depth=1), but won't work for distributed collaboration

## Enter Mercurial: Sparse Checkouts

Work on only the files you need.

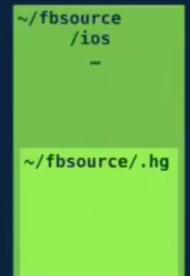
Build system knows how to check out more.



## Enter Mercurial: Shallow History

Work locally without complete history.

Need more history?  
Downloaded automatically on demand.



# Some Common Principles

- Ensure Isolation
  - Of impacts of a given changeset
    - On the build status
    - On production code
  - Not dissimilar to distributed systems!
    - Which makes sense; this is also a distributed system, just made up of people
- Work incrementally
  - Release carefully, monitor heavily
  - Cut costs where possible by building & testing as little as possible

# Monolithic repository – no major use of branches for development

## Trunk-based development

Combined with a centralized repository, this defines the monolithic model

- Piper users work at “head”, a consistent view of the codebase
- All changes are made to the repository in a single, serial ordering
- There is no significant use of branching for development
- Release branches are cut from a specific revision of the repository



# A recent history of code organization

- A single team with a monolithic application in a single repository
- ...
- Multiple teams with many separate applications in many separate repositories
- Multiple teams with many ~~separate applications~~ **microservices** in many separate repositories
- A single team with many microservices in many repositories
- ...
- Many teams with many applications in one big **Monorepo**

# What is a monolithic repository (monorepo)?

- A **single** version control repository containing multiple
  - Projects
  - Applications
  - Libraries
- Often using a common build system

# Monorepos in industry

## Google (computer science version)

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By Rachel Potvin, Josh Levenberg  
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Early Google employees decided to work with a shared codebase managed through a centralized source control system. This approach has served Google well for more than 16 years, and today the vast majority of Google's software assets continues to be stored in a single, shared repository. Meanwhile, the number of Google software developers has steadily increased, and the size of the Google codebase has grown exponentially (see Figure 1). As a result, the technology used to host the codebase has also evolved significantly.

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# Monorepos in industry

## Scaling Mercurial at Facebook

The screenshot shows a blog post on the Facebook Code website. The header includes a navigation bar with categories like Open Source, Platforms, Infrastructure Systems, Hardware Infrastructure, Video & VR, and Artificial Intelligence. The post title is "Scaling Mercurial at Facebook", dated January 2014, and categorized under INFRA, OPEN SOURCE, PERFORMANCE, and OPTIMIZATION. It features two authors: Durham Goode and Siddharth P Agarwal. The main content discusses the challenges of managing a massive codebase and explores options like Git and Subversion. A sidebar on the right is titled "Recommended" and lists other posts: "Scaling memcached at Facebook" and "Flashcache at Facebook: From 2010 to 2013 and beyond".

Scaling Mercurial at Facebook

7 January 2014 INFRA · OPEN SOURCE · PERFORMANCE · OPTIMIZATION

Durham Goode Siddharth P Agarwal

With thousands of commits a week across hundreds of thousands of files, Facebook's main source repository is enormous—many times larger than even the Linux kernel, which checked in at 17 million lines of code and 44,000 files in 2013. Given our size and complexity—and Facebook's practice of shipping code twice a day—improving our source control is one way we help our engineers move fast.

**Choosing a source control system**

Two years ago, as we saw our repository continue to grow at a staggering rate, we sat down and extrapolated our growth forward a few years. Based on those projections, it appeared likely that our then-current technology, a Subversion server with a Git mirror, would become a productivity bottleneck very soon. We looked at the available options and found none that were both fast and easy to use at scale.

Our code base has grown organically and its internal dependencies are very complex. We could have spent a lot of time making it more modular in a way that would be friendly to a source control tool, but there are a number of benefits to using a single repository. Even at our current scale, we often make large changes throughout our code base, and having a single repository is useful for continuous

Recommended

Scaling memcached at Facebook

Flashcache at Facebook: From 2010 to 2013 and beyond

# Monorepos in industry

## Microsoft claim the largest git repo on the planet

The screenshot shows a blog post by Brian Harry on the Microsoft Developer Tools Blogs. The post is titled "The largest Git repo on the planet" and was published on 05/24/2017. It discusses the effort to scale Git to extremely large projects and teams using "Git Virtual File System". The post has 59 comments and social sharing links for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Google+. Below the post, there's a section about Windows being live on Git, mentioning the completion of the rollout of Git/GVFS to the Windows team at Microsoft.

**Brian Harry's blog**  
Everything you want to know about Visual Studio ALM and Farming

**The largest Git repo on the planet**  
05/24/2017 by Brian Harry MS / 59 Comments

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It's been 3 months since I first wrote about our efforts to scale Git to extremely large projects and teams with an effort we called "Git Virtual File System". As a reminder, GVFS, together with a set of enhancements to Git, enables Git to scale to VERY large repos by virtualizing both the .git folder and the working directory. Rather than download the entire repo and checkout all the files, it dynamically downloads only the portions you need based on what you use.

A lot has happened and I wanted to give you an update. Three months ago, GVFS was still a dream. I don't mean it didn't exist – we had a concrete implementation, but rather, it was unproven. We had validated on some big repos but we hadn't rolled it out to any meaningful number of engineers so we had only conviction that it was going to work. Now we have proof.

Today, I want to share our results. In addition, we're announcing the next steps in our GVFS journey for customers, including expanded open sourcing to start taking contributions and improving how it works for us at Microsoft, as well as for partners and customers.

**Windows is live on Git**

Over the past 3 months, we have largely completed the rollout of Git/GVFS to the Windows team at Microsoft.

As a refresher, the Windows code base is approximately 3.5M files and, when checked in to a Git repo, results in a repo of about 300GB.

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# Monorepos in open-source

## foresquare public monorepo

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A monorepo that holds all of Foursquare's opensource projects

parts foursquare monorepo mongodb rogue scala

538 commits 1 branch 2 releases 16 contributors Apache-2.0

Branch: master New pull request Create new file Upload files Find file Clone or download

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3rdparty	Update the testinfra deployed file (#748)
build-support	Monolithic Ivy resolve commit (#530)
scripts/fsqio	Add a check for the current file before deleting (#709)
src	Add installation instructions to pom
test	Spindle: Make ThriftParserTest actually depend on its input (#735)
.dockerrignore	Update fsqio/fsqio Dockerfile and add one for fsqio/twofishes
.gitignore	Update upkeep to no longer clobber global variables
.travis.yml	Upgrade Fsq.io Travis config to use mongodb3.0+ (#780)
BUILD.opensource	Monolithic Ivy resolve commit (#530)
BUILD.tools	Drop a BUILD.tools in Fsq.io.
CLA.md	Move deployed files to consolidated directory.
CONTRIBUTING.md	Drop a CONTRIBUTING.md

# Monorepos in open-source

## The Symfony monorepo

**43** projects, **25 000** commits, and **400 000** LOC

<https://github.com/symfony/symfony>

Bridge/

5 sub-projects

Bundle/

5 sub-projects

Component/

33 independent sub-projects like Asset, Cache,  
CssSelector, Finder, Form, HttpKernel, Ldap,  
Routing, Security, Serializer, Templating,  
Translation, Yaml, ...

# Advantages of Monorepos

- High discoverability
  - Developers can read & search the entire codebase
- High reuse
  - The same tools (e.g., linters, auto-complete) are globally available
  - Any package can become a library
    - Which is why you always build an API!
- Simplifies maintenance
  - Global refactorings, cleanup
    - Orgs like Google will regularly dedicate a specific day to a type of improvement (e.g., improve documentation), flag all potentially problematic sites

# Some more advantages

- Easy continuous integration and code review for changes spanning several projects
- (Internal) dependency management is a non-issue
- Less context switching for developers
- Code more reusable in other contexts
- Access control is easy

# Releasing at scale in industry

- Facebook:  
<https://atscaleconference.com/videos/rapid-release-at-massive-scale/>
- Google:  
<https://www.slideshare.net/JohnMicco1/2016-0425-continuous-integration-at-google-scal>  
<https://testing.googleblog.com/2011/06/testing-at-speed-and-scale-of-google.html>
- Why Google Stores Billions of Lines of Code in a Single Repository:  
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