

Devops

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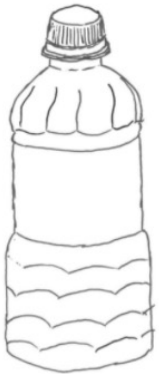
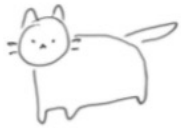
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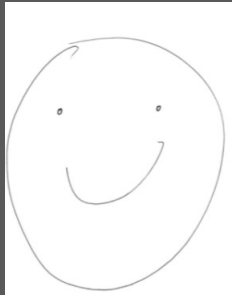
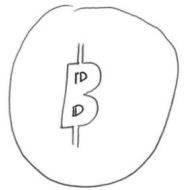
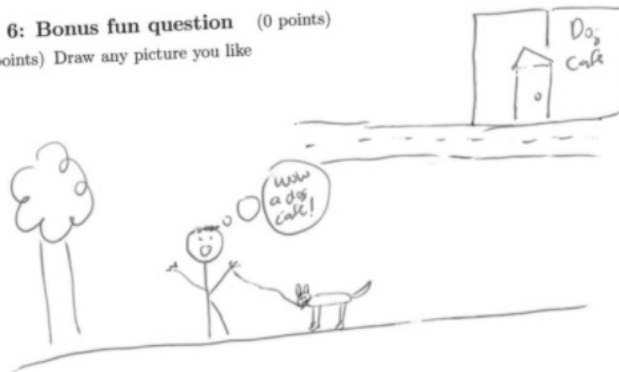


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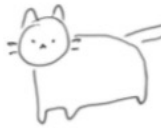
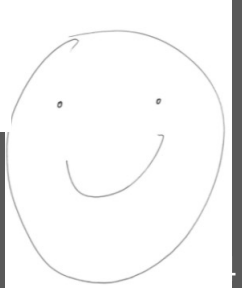
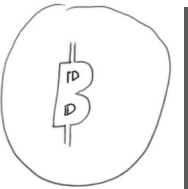


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Retrospectives

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“the purpose of the Sprint Retrospective is to plan ways to increase quality and effectiveness.” –Scrum.org

We often use three questions:

What should we:

Start doing?

Stop doing?

Keep doing?



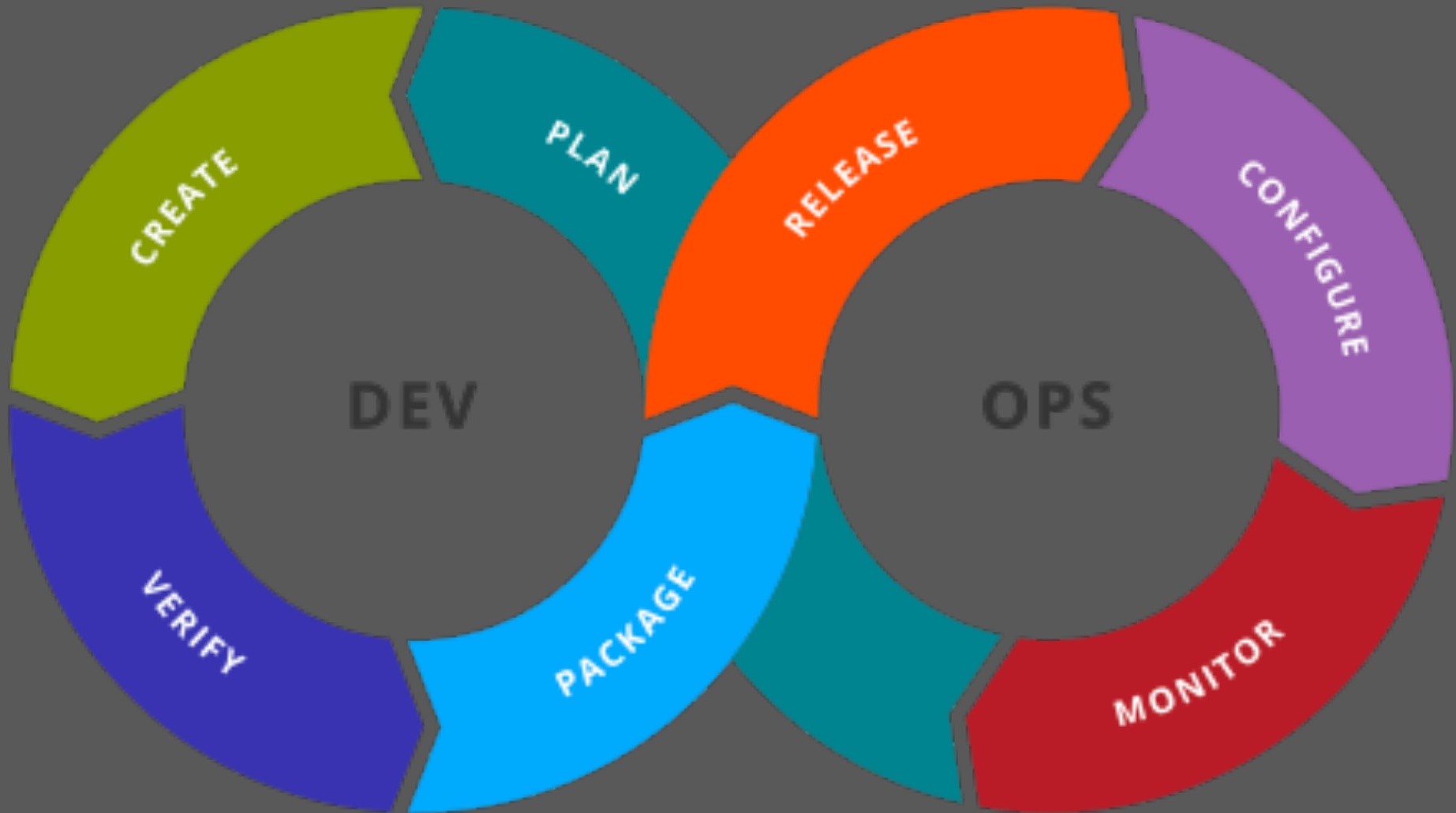
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Learning Goals

Articulate the various purposes of a design document.

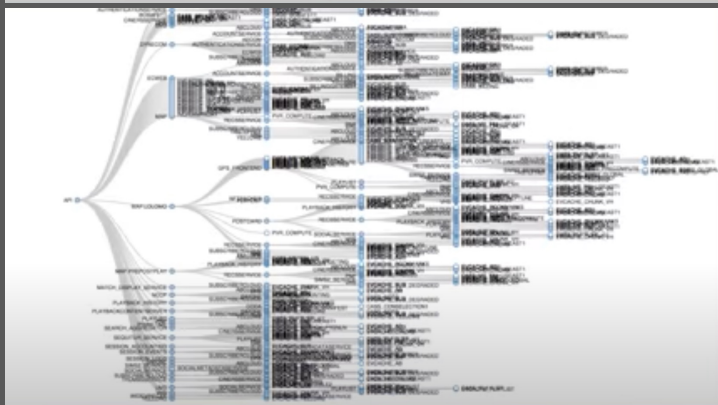
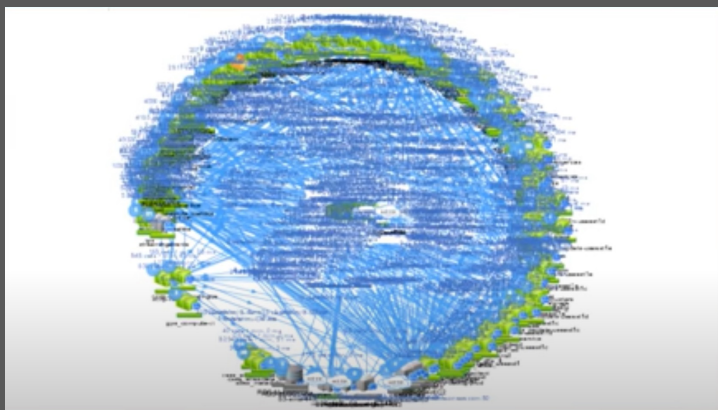
Use design documentation to ensure that the correct thing is being implemented.

Write useful, clear, high-quality design documentation.



Netflix

Netflix: Microservice Architecture



- 100s of microservices
- 1,000s of production changes per day
- 10,000s of virtual machines
- 100,000s of customer interactions per second
- 1,000,000s of metrics per minute (actually, 2 million)
- 81.5 million customers
- 10s of operations engineers
- no single engineer knows the entire application

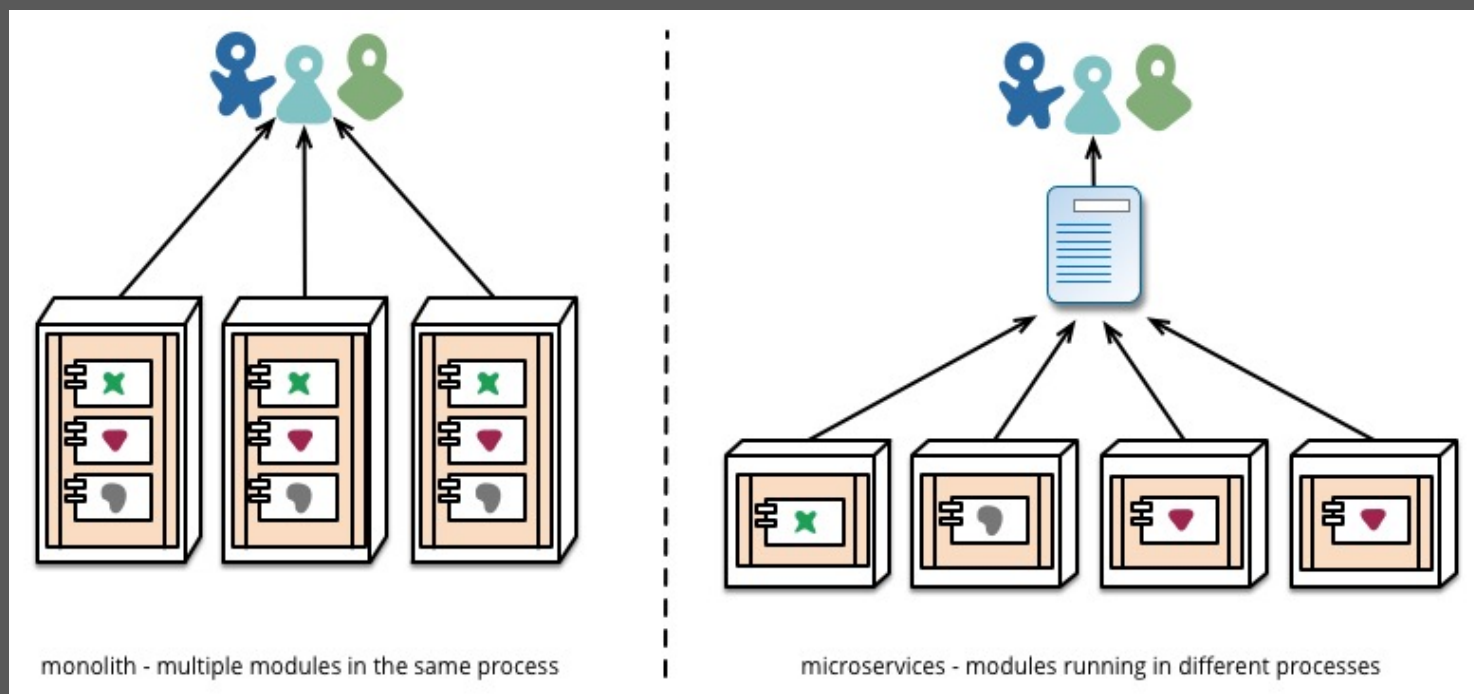
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What were some of the challenges of running a microservice architecture of this scale?

as of 2018, reference: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UTKIT6STSVM>

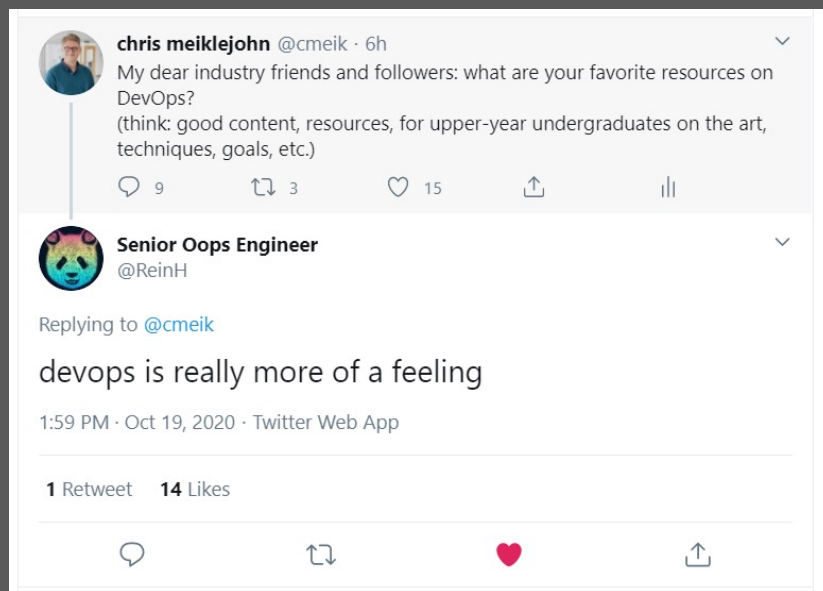
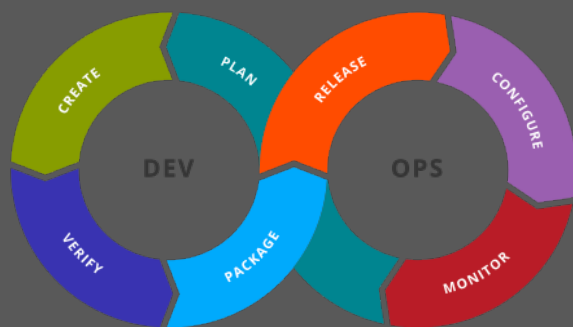
Brainstorm: Microservices

Deployment and Evolution



Source: <http://martinfowler.com/articles/microservices.html>

What is DevOps?



Bringing together two traditionally separate groups within software organizations

- **Development**, typically *measured on features completed, code shipped*
- **Operations**, typically *measured through stability, reliability, availability*

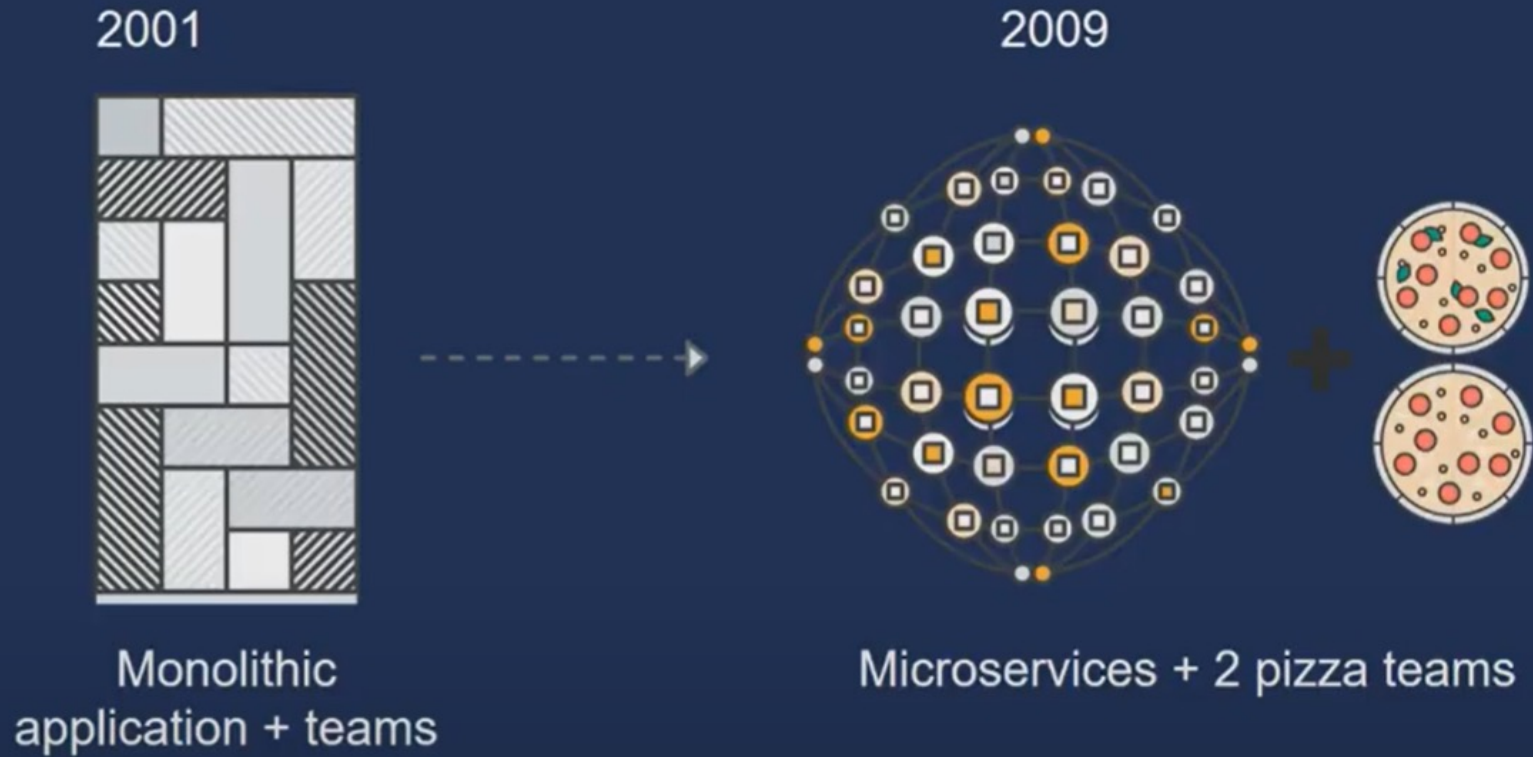
Benefits:

- *Increased **Velocity***: how quickly products and applications are pushed to release
- *Increased **Quality***: successful delivery of features and products

reference: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UbtB4sMaaNM>

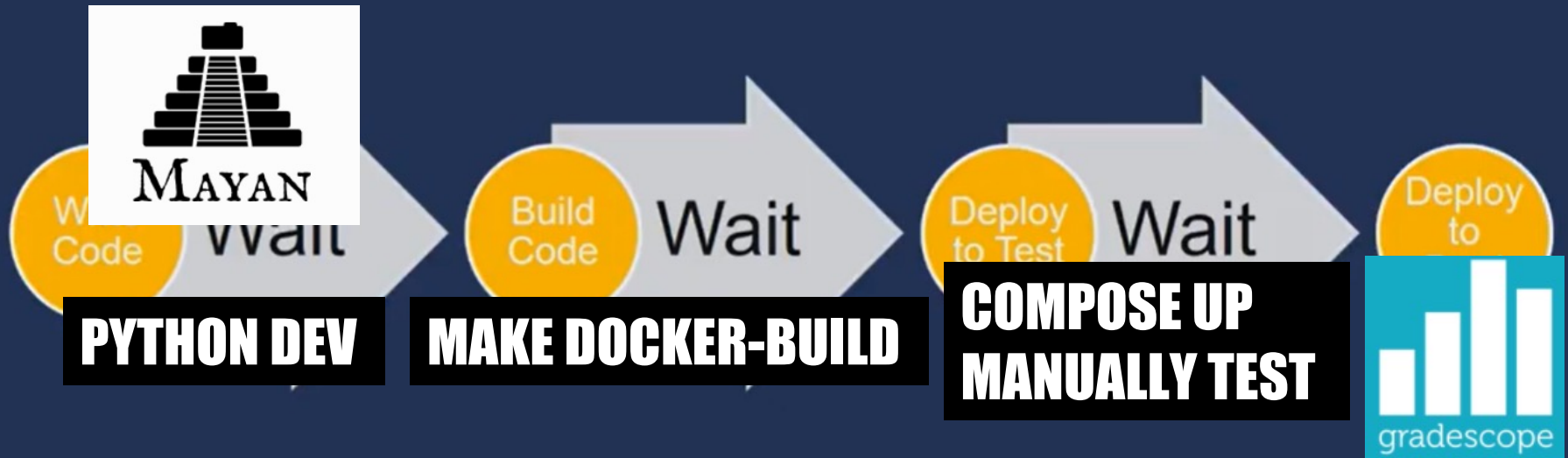
Amazon

Development transformation at Amazon: 2001-2009



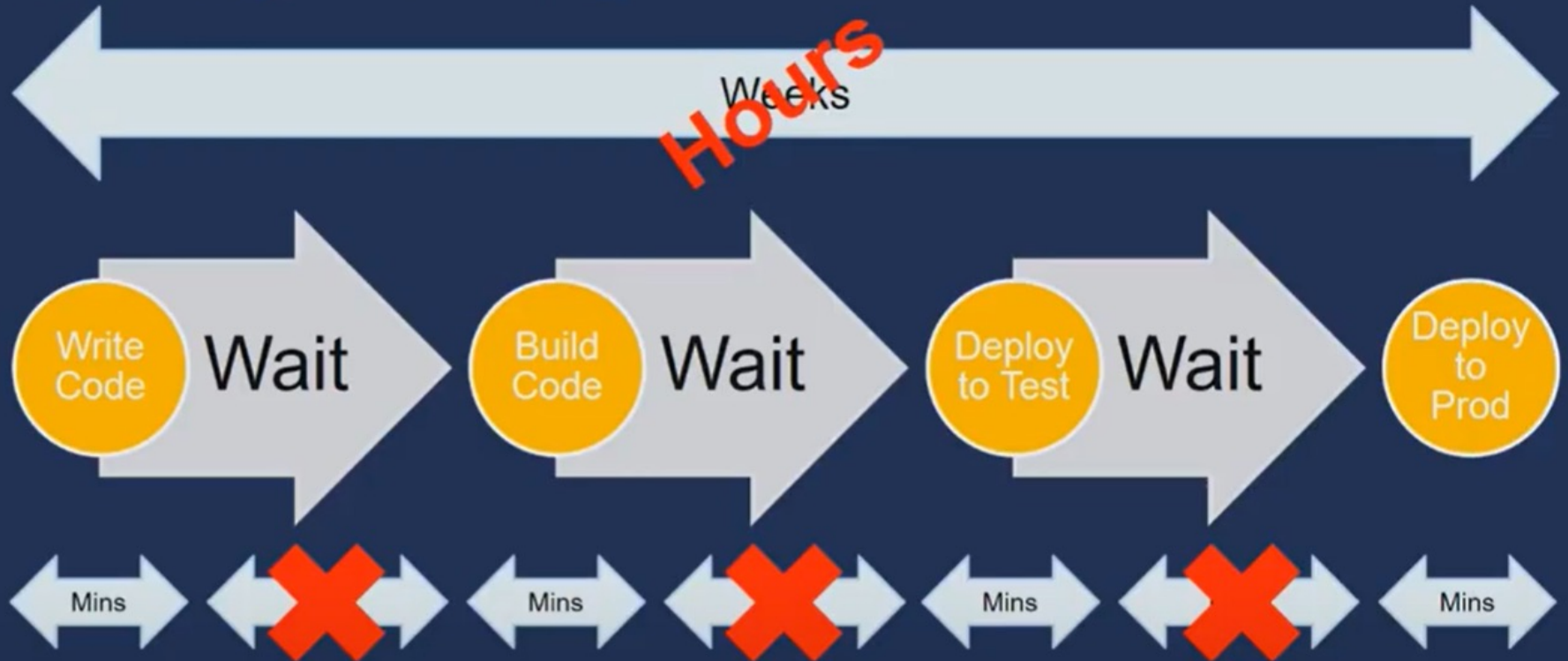
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How do we get to DevOps?

Goals:

1. **Technological:** Automated process for moving code from dev to release.

Starting with check-in, build, unit test, build artifact, integration test, load test, as moves through stage to production, finally, with monitoring and other telemetry.

2. **Cultural:** Building cohesive, multidisciplinary teams.

Typically, developers are the “first responders” when things go bad in production.

Sense of “ownership” by the developer all the way from inception to release.

reference: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UbtB4sMaaNM>

What can it look like when it's done?

Netflix Spinnaker (open-source CI/CD fully automated pipeline):

- Takes code from code repository to production.
- Allows developers to specify required tests.
- Determines where, how code should be run in system (e.g., replication, placement.)
- Supports canary deployments, traffic management.
- Just publish the repo!

reference: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UTKIT6STSVM>

5x

lower
change
failure rate

440x

faster from commit to
deploy

46x

more frequent
deployments

44%

more time spent on
new features and
code

reference: Puppet State of the DevOps Report 2017

Exercise: DevOps Pipeline

Choices

Develop

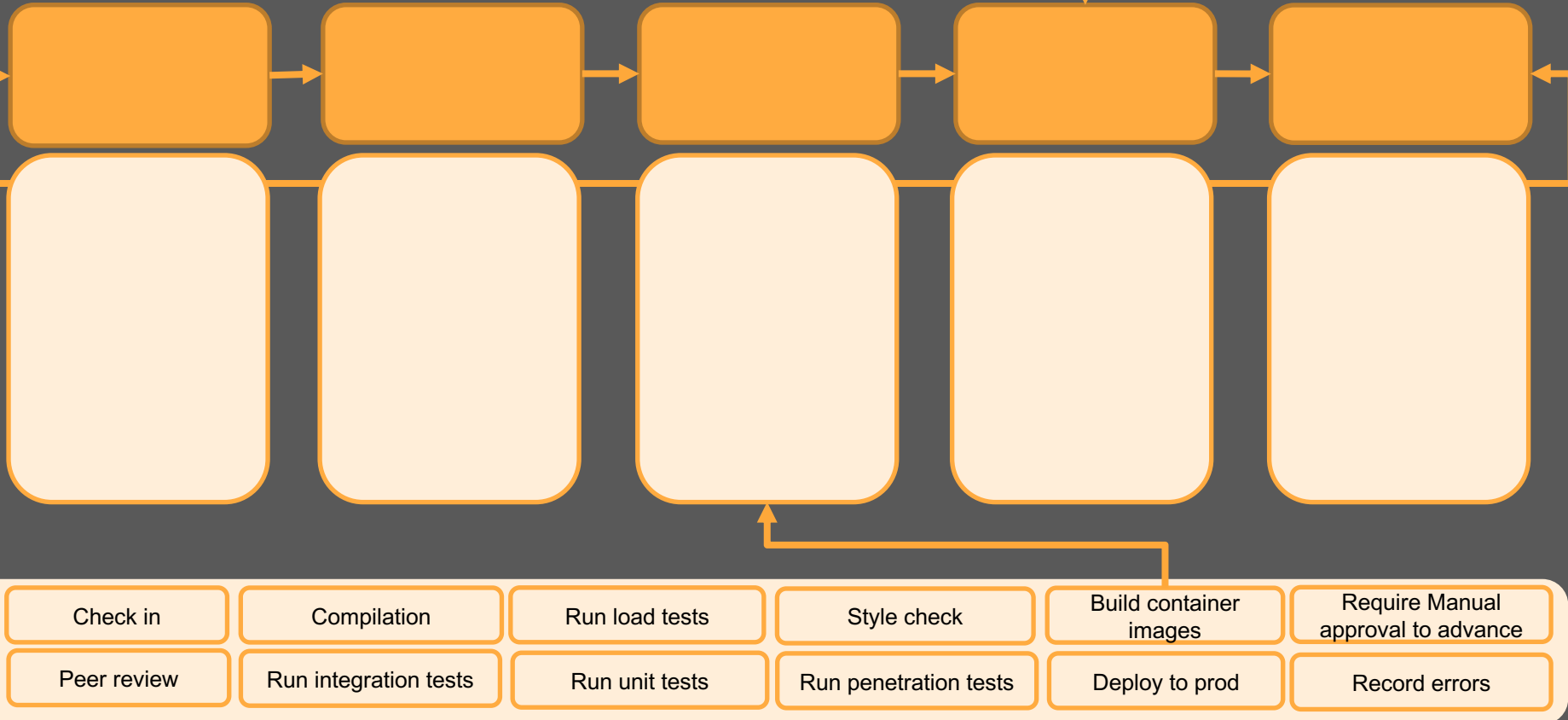
Deploy

Build

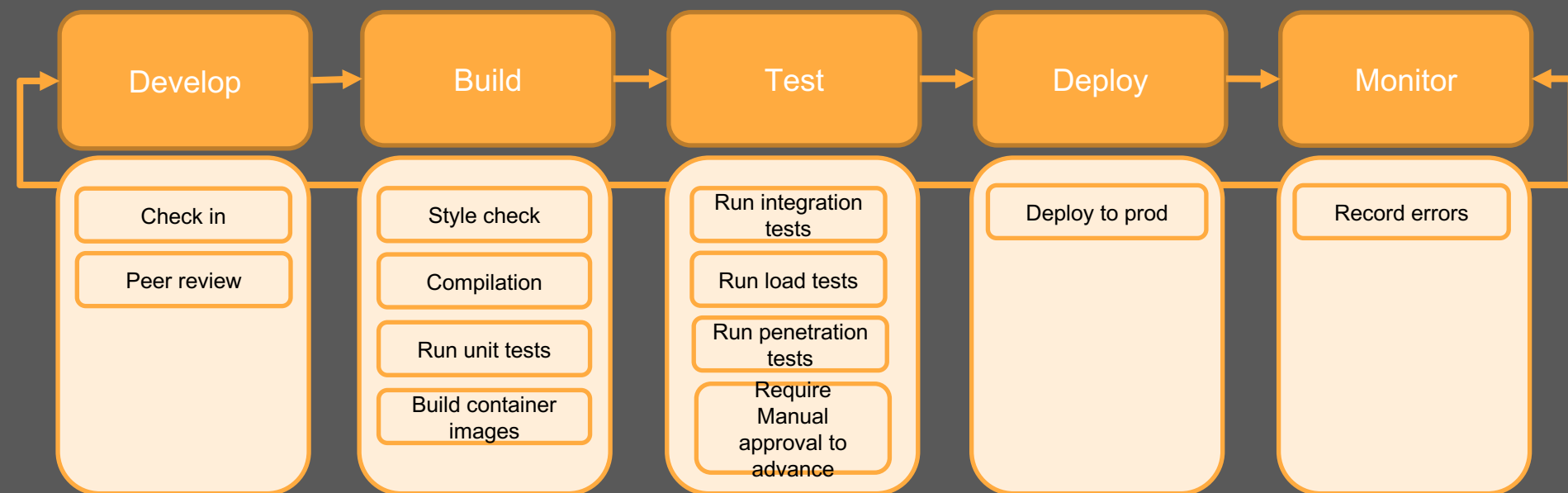
Test

Monitor

Automate



A Typical DevOps Pipeline



What do we need to practice for DevOps? 1

Continuous Integration (CI)

1. Constant testing as code is checked-in/pushed to the repository (e.g., GH hooks, etc.)
2. Verify the build process works (i.e., parsing, compilation, code generation, etc.)
3. Verify unit tests pass, style checks pass, other static analysis tools.
4. Build artifacts

Continuous Delivery & Deployment (CD)

1. Moving build artifacts from test -> stage -> prod environments.
Environments always differ! (e.g., ENV, PII, data, etc.)
2. Gate code, if necessary, from advancing without manual approval.
Useful when initially transitioning applications into a modern DevOps pipeline.

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What do we need to practice for DevOps? 2

Infrastructure as Code

1. Required resources (e.g., cloud services, access policies, etc.) are created by code.
No UI provisioning, no manual steps (avoid: easy to forget, time consuming!)
2. “Immutable Infrastructure”
No update-in-place (e.g., SSH to server.)
Replace with new instances, decommission old instances.
3. *Nothing to prod without it being in code, checked-in, versioned along side code!*

Observability (Monitoring, Logging, Tracing, Metrics)

1. Be able to know how your application is running in production
2. Track and analyze low-level metrics on performance, resource allocation
3. Capture high-level metrics on application behavior
 1. What’s “normal”?
 2. What’s abnormal?

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CI/CD



Continuous Integration (CI)

1. Commit and check-in code frequently (always can squash later)
2. Commits build on previous commits (know precisely where the build breaks)
3. Automated feedback and testing on commits
4. Artifact creation (e.g., container images, WAR files, etc.)
5. Ensure code, supporting infrastructure, documentation are all versioned together

Continuous Deployment (CD)

1. Artifacts automatically shipped into test, stage, production environments
2. Prevents “manual” deployment, avoids “manual” steps, early detection of problems
3. Can be tied to a “manual” promotion technique to advance through environments
4. Multi-stage deployment with automatic rollback on failure detection

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Deploying Code

Nightly Build

Build code and run smoke test (Microsoft 1995)

Benefits

- it minimizes integration risk

- It reduces the risk of low quality

- it supports easier defect diagnosis

- it improves morale

Ring Deployment: Microsoft

Commits flow out to rings, de-flight if issue

For example:

Ring 0 => Team

Ring 1 => Dogfood

Ring 2 => Beta

Ring 3 => Many

Ring 4 => All

Windows 10 Insiders Program

Dev Channel (weekly builds of Windows 10)

Beta Channel (dev + validated updates by Microsoft)

Release Preview Channel (highest quality, validated updates)

Rapid Release/Mozilla

If deployment requires on-prem deployment, say a web browser

There are four channels: *Nightly*, Alpha, Beta, Release Candidate

Code flows every 2 weeks to next channel, unless fast tracked by release engineer.

Involve corporate customer specific testing in testing (Practice also used by IBM, Redhat)

same for Windows Edge browser Insiders Program:

Canary: nightly builds

Dev: weekly builds

Beta: 6 weeks

“Big bang” deployments

State 0



Final State



reference: <https://dev.to/mostlyjason/intro-to-deployment-strategies-blue-green-canary-and-more-3>

Fast to Deploy, Slow to Release

Chuck Rossi at Facebook: *"Get your s*** in, fix it in production"*



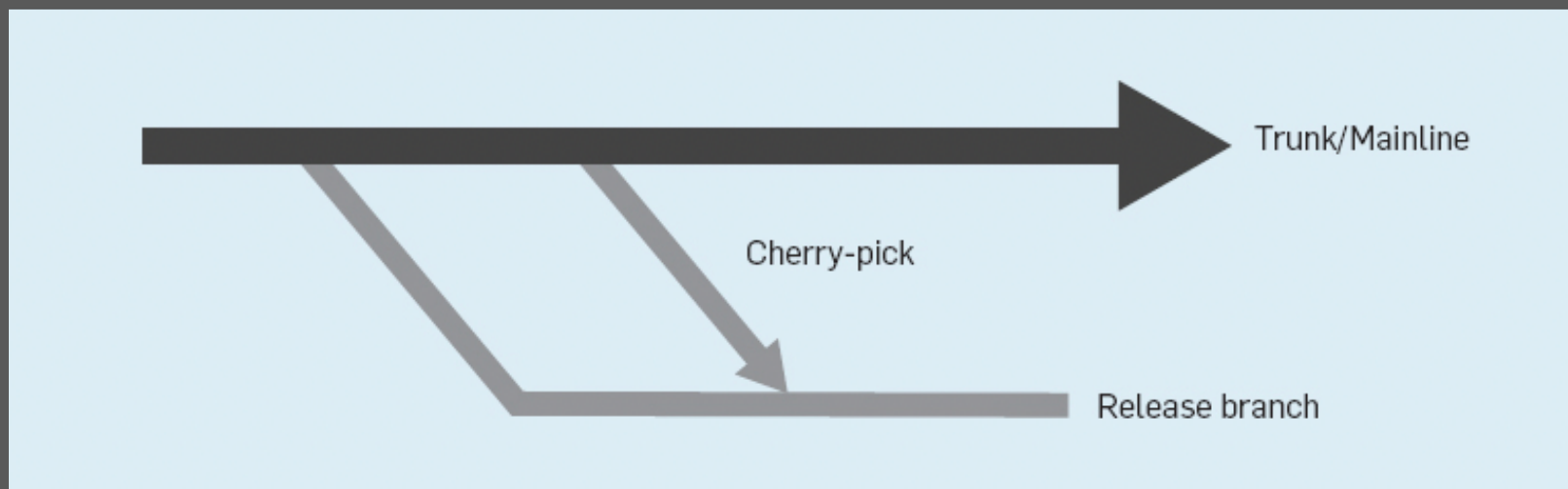
Dark Launches at Instagram

Early: Integrate as soon as possible. Find bugs early. Code can run in production about 6 months before being publicly announced.

Often: Reduce friction. Try things out. See what works. Push small changes just to gather metrics, feasibility testing. Large changes just slow down the team. Do dark launches, to see what performance is in production, can scale up and down. *"Shadow infrastructure" is too expensive, just do in production.*

Incremental: Deploy in increments. Contain risk. Pinpoint issues.

Facebook process (until 2016)

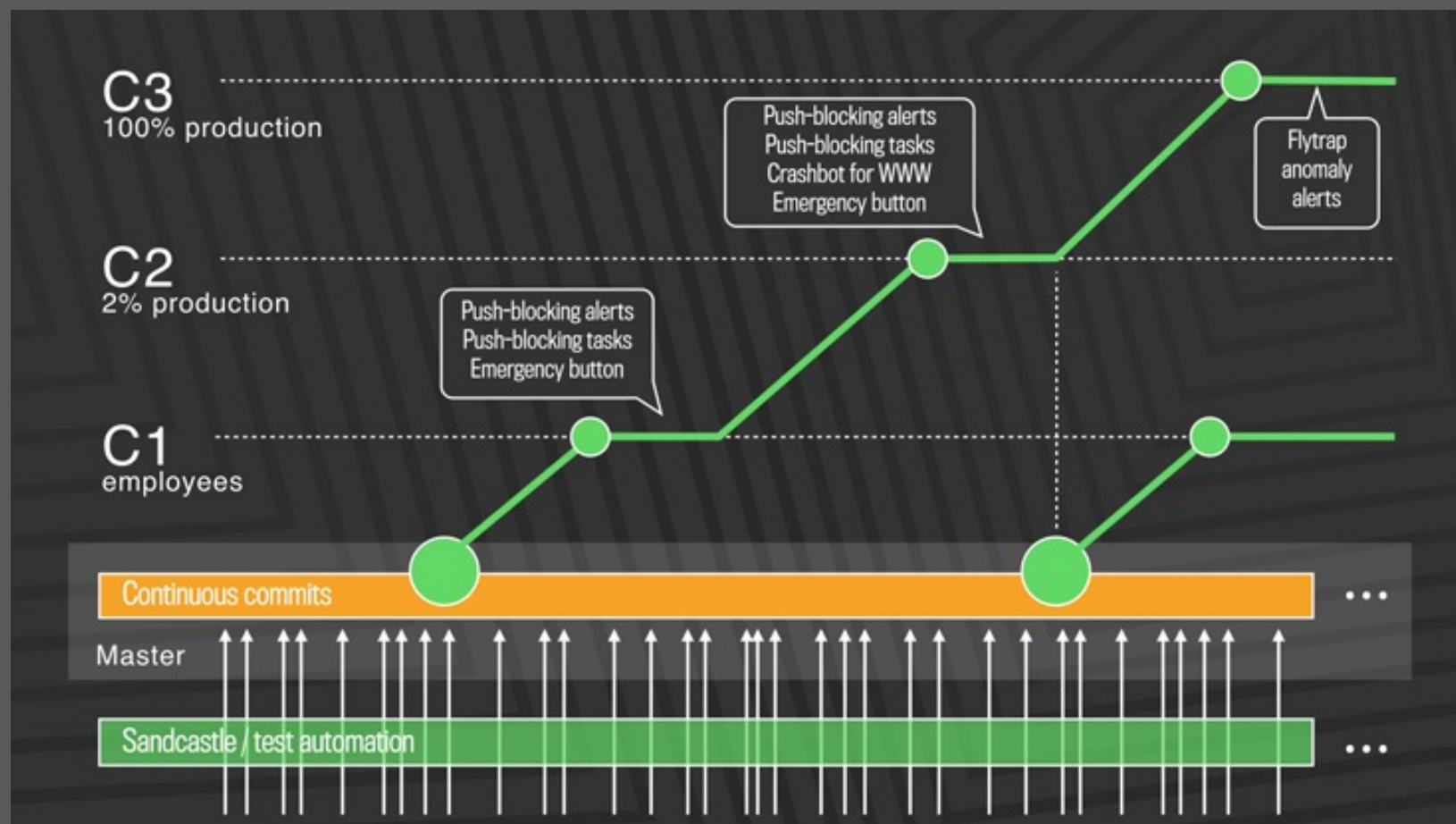


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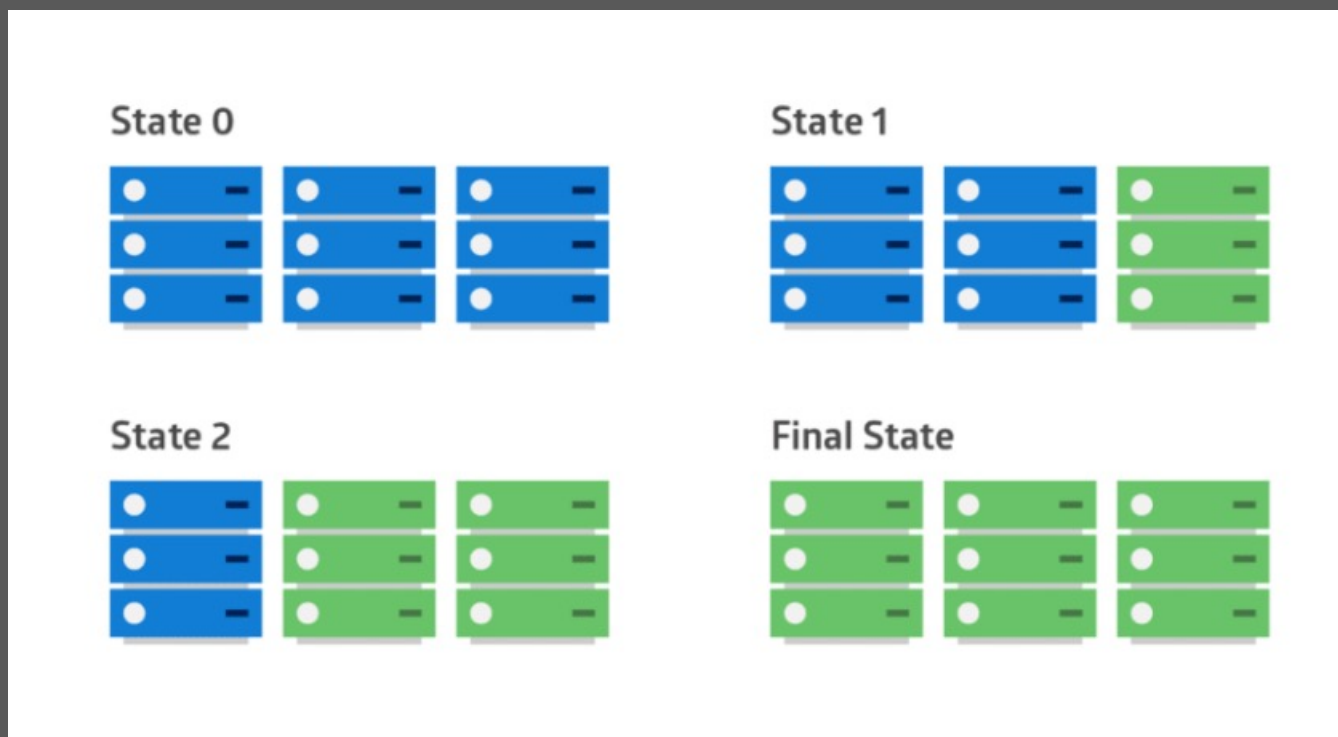
Stabilize until Tuesday, canaries, release. Tuesday push is 12,000 diffs.

Cherry pick: Push 3 times a day (Wed-Fri) 300-700 cherry picks / day.

Facebook quasi-continuous release

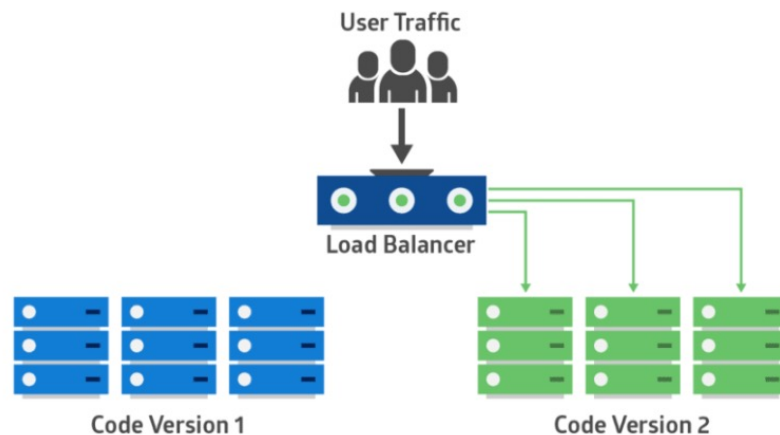
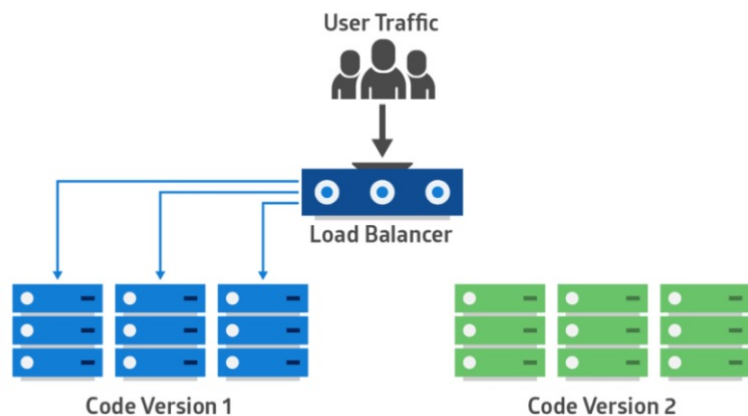


Rolling deployments



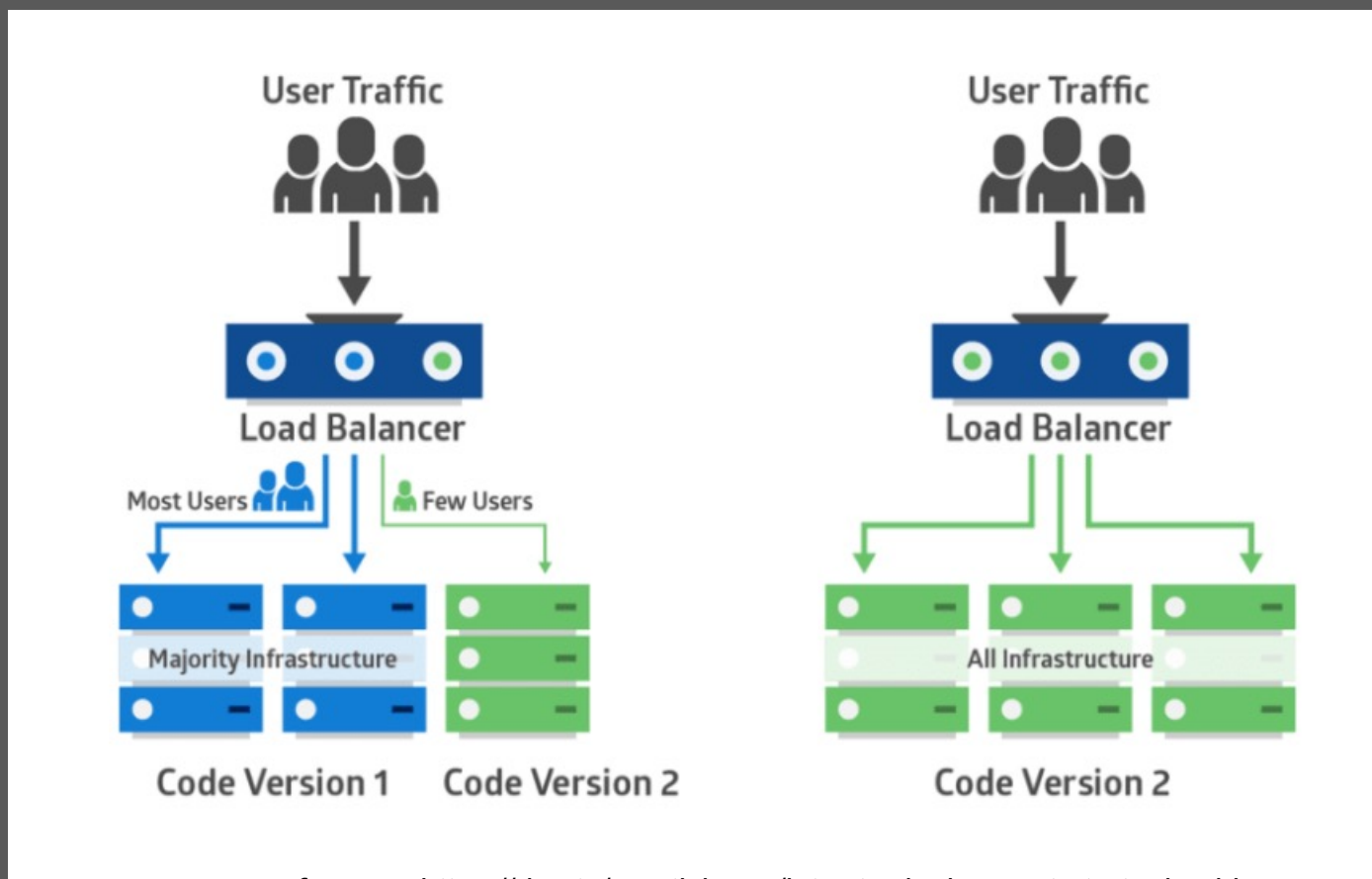
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Red/Black (Blue/Green) deployments



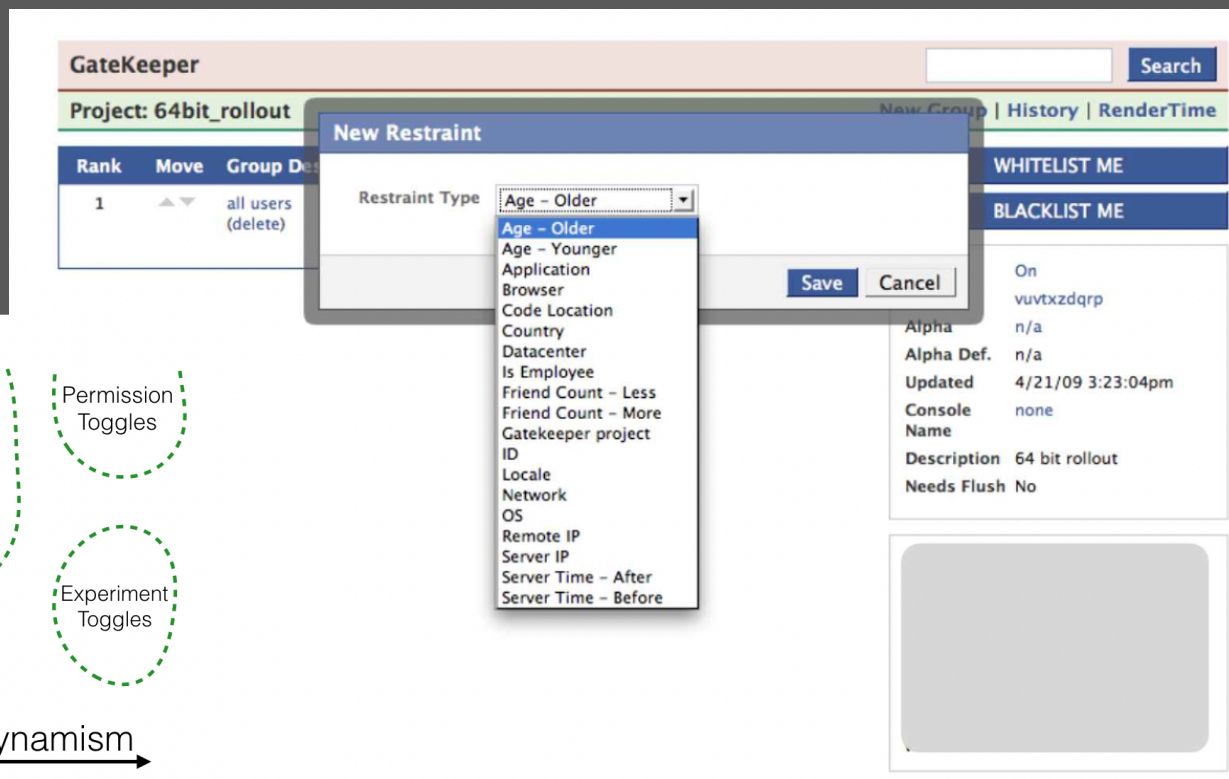
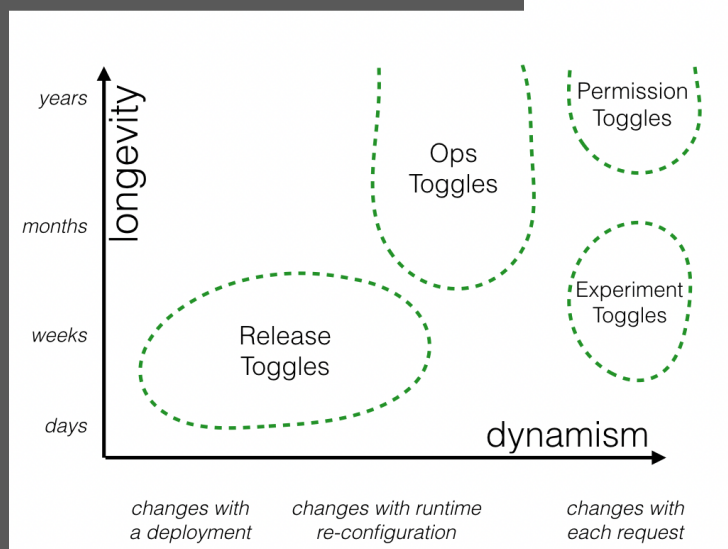
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Canary deployments



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Feature flags



Monitoring Production

What is Observability?

“As a philosophy, ***observability*** is our ability as developers to know and discover what is going on in our systems. In practice, it means adding telemetry to our systems in order to measure change and track workflows.”

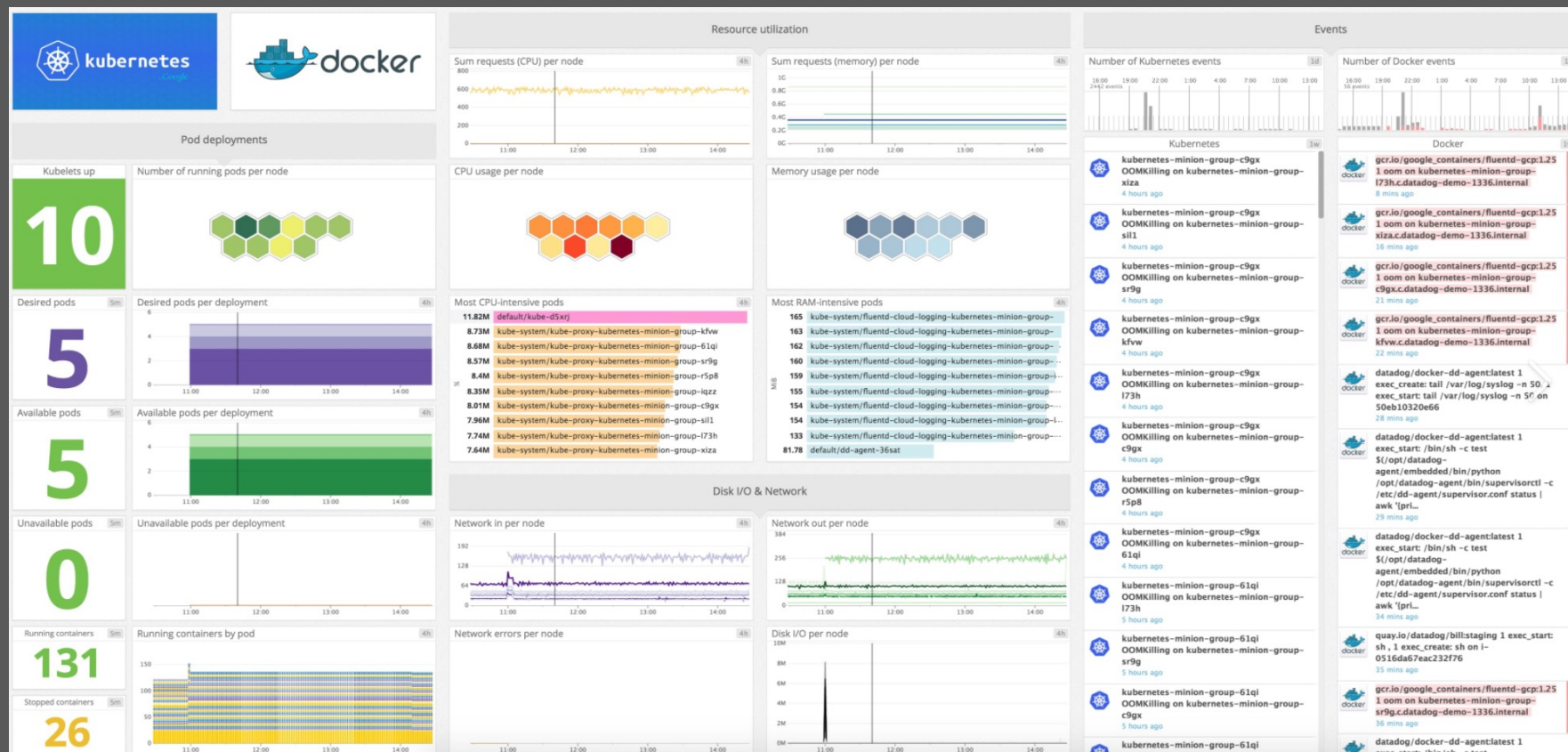
The New Stack, “What is observability?” 28 Feb 2020
<https://thenewstack.io/what-is-observability/>

Observability: Dashboards

1. What's happening now?
2. What does “normal” behavior look like?
3. What does it look like when something's gone (or is going) wrong?
4. Can I correlate events to changes in the actual graphs?

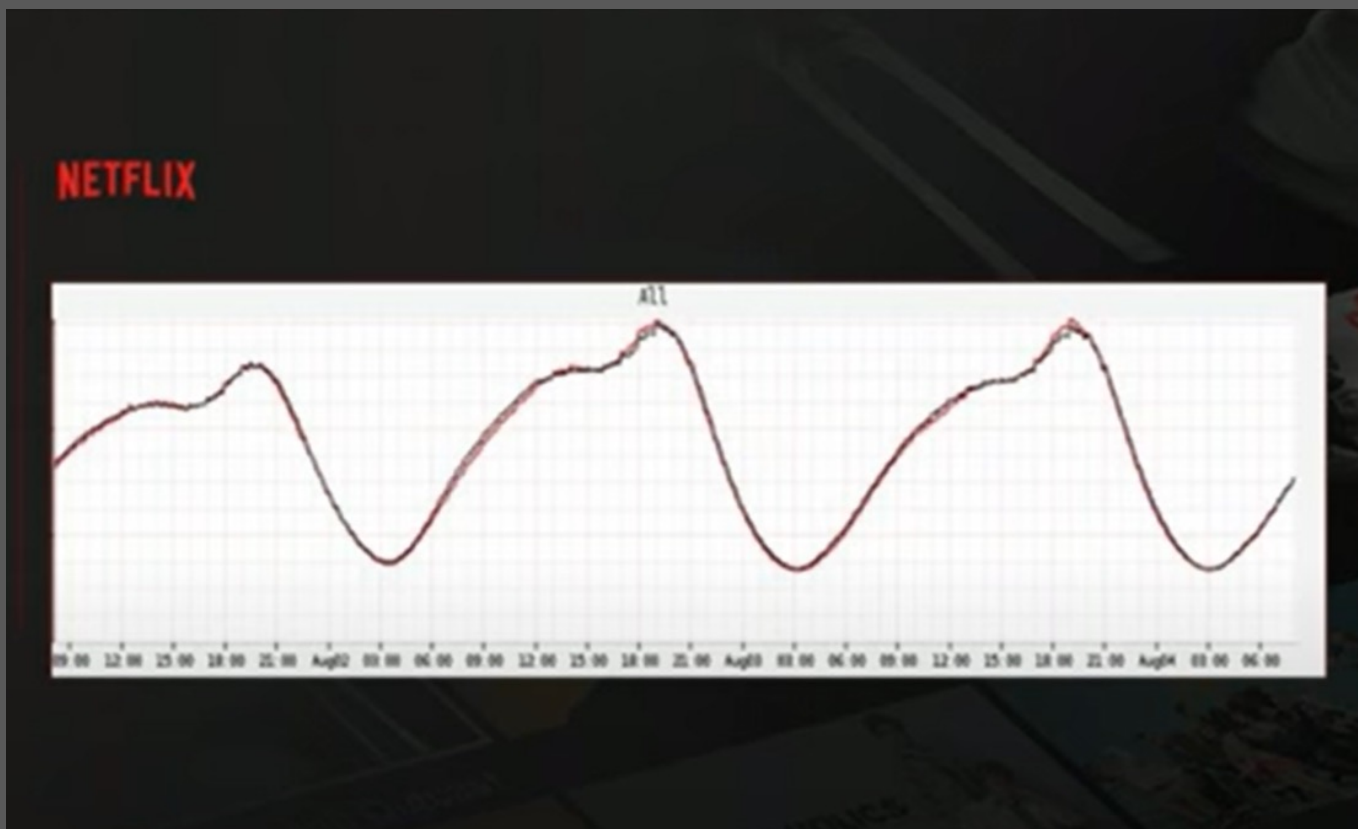
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Observability: Dashboard Example



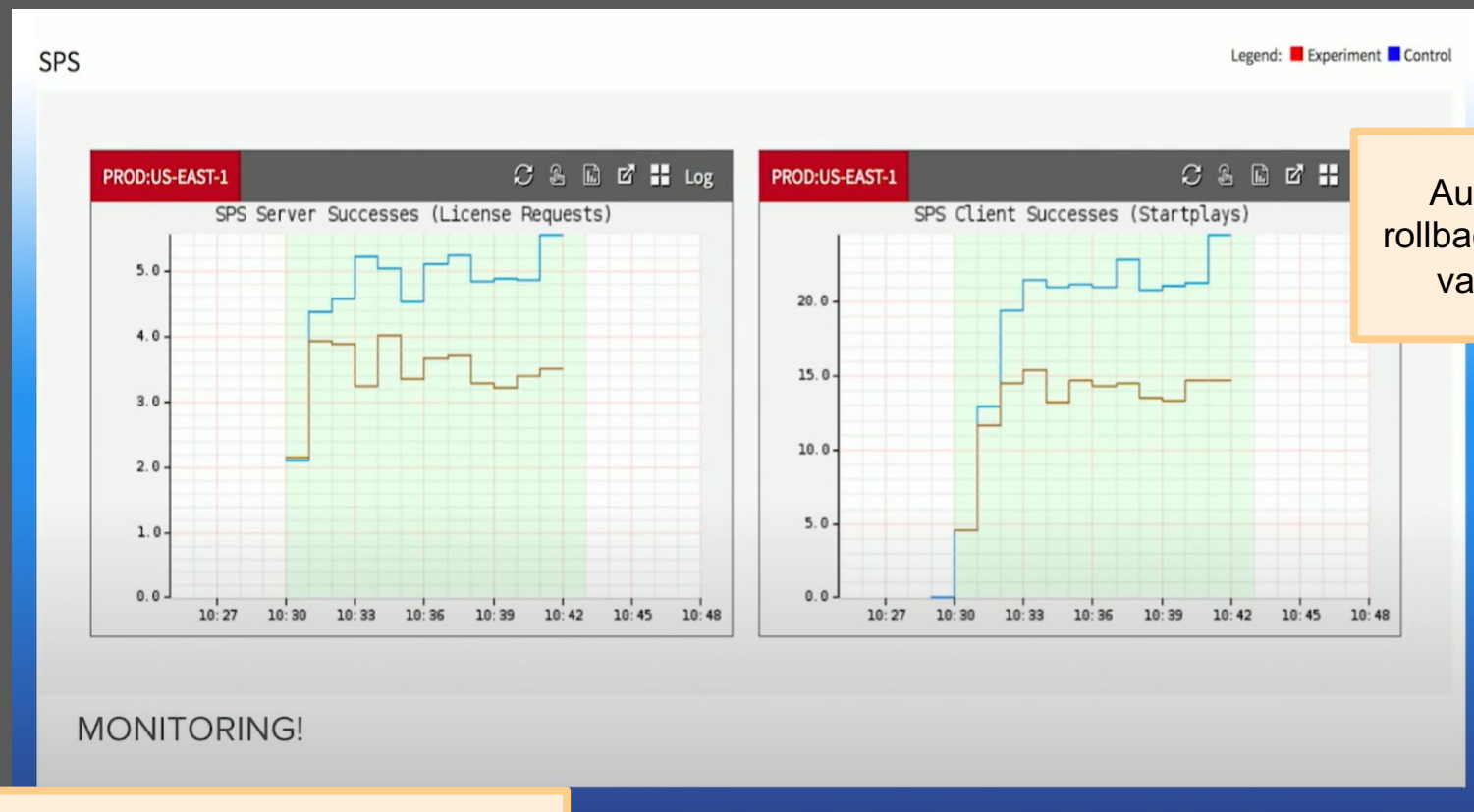
reference: <https://datadog-prod.imgix.net/img/blog/monitoring-kubernetes-with-datadog/kubernetes-dashboard.png?fit=max>

Observability: Defining “Normal”



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Observability: When things aren't "Normal"

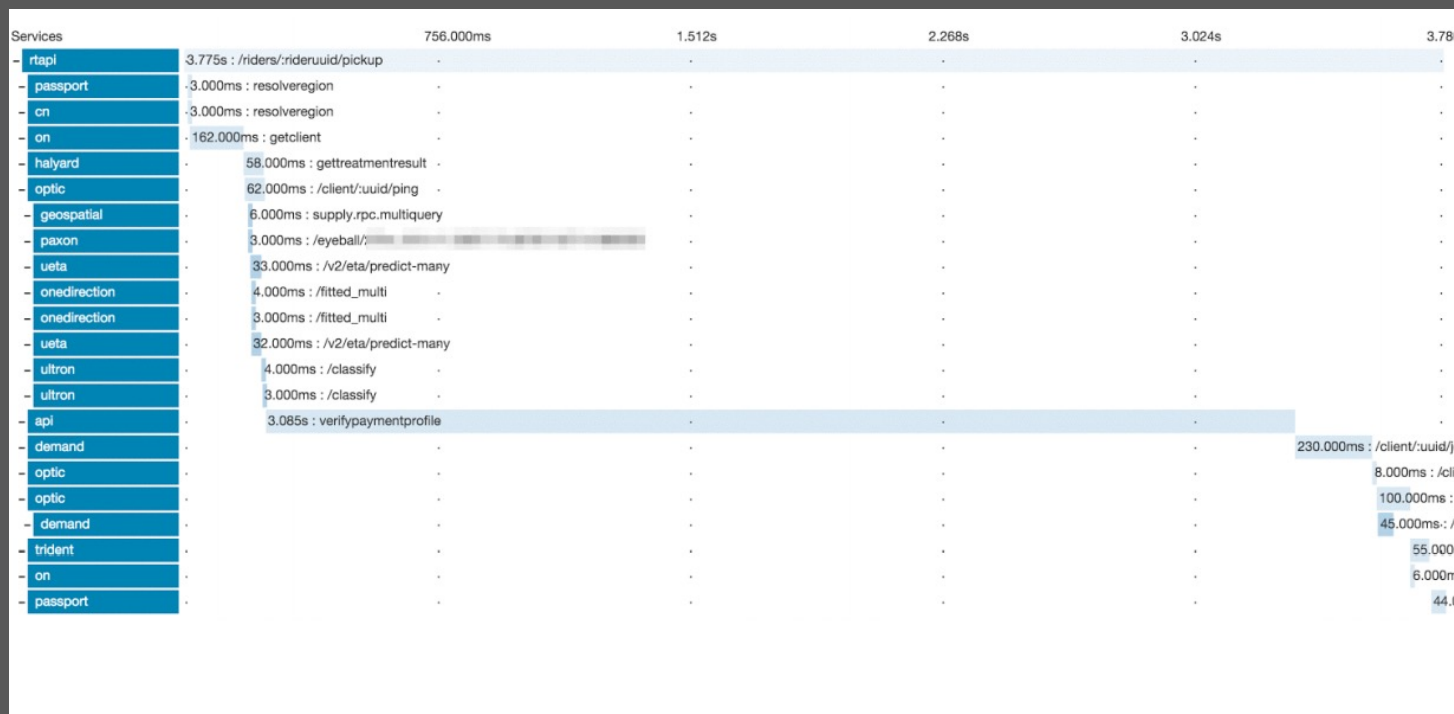


Automatic
rollback on high
variance!

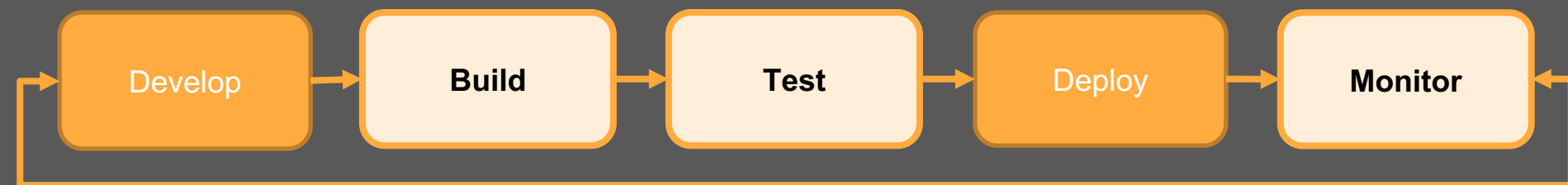
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quality attribute....

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Observability: Distributed Tracing



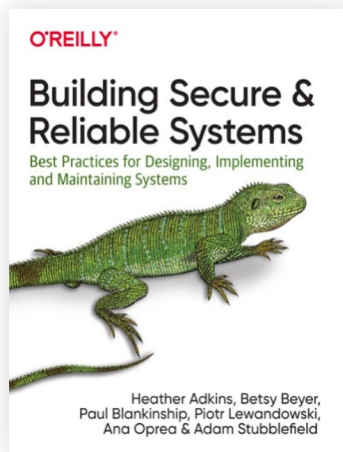
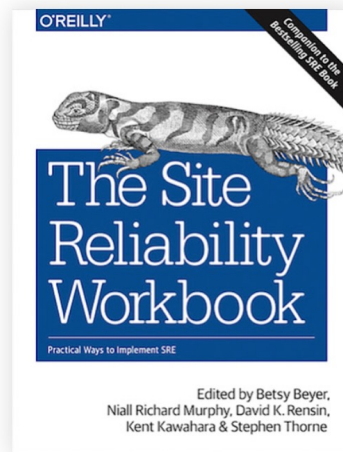
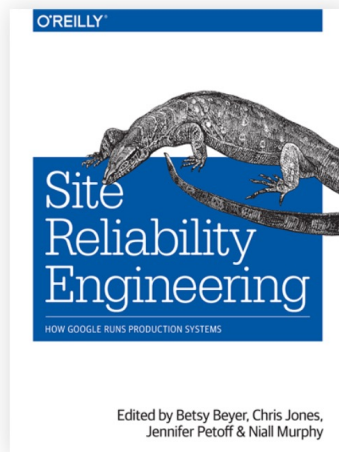
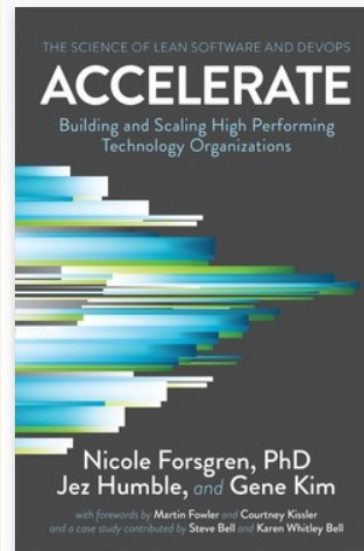
Homework 2A: Testing Plan



Working in pairs: come up with
one concrete task for the build, test, and monitor stages
to verify that your feature works as designed
once deployed to production.

DevOps: More Resources

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