



# AWS Monitoring & Observability

Why observability is critical for  
your organization

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**// Everything fails,  
all the time. //**

**—Dr. Werner Vogels, Amazon CTO**



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# Macro Customer Trends

## The need for customers to...

- React to situations efficiently by having visibility into their infrastructure and applications
- Provide optimal user experiences, beyond SLAs being green
- The need to know the exact cause and time when an incident happens
- Have visibility to ensure that applications are performing as intended
- Drive infrastructure efficiency and reduce cost

## Has led them to...

- Develop a monitoring and observability strategy
- A proactive approach to incident management
- Modernize application monitoring
- Tool consolidation to reduce operational burden and costs



# Monitoring more than failures



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Is it behaving  
as expected?



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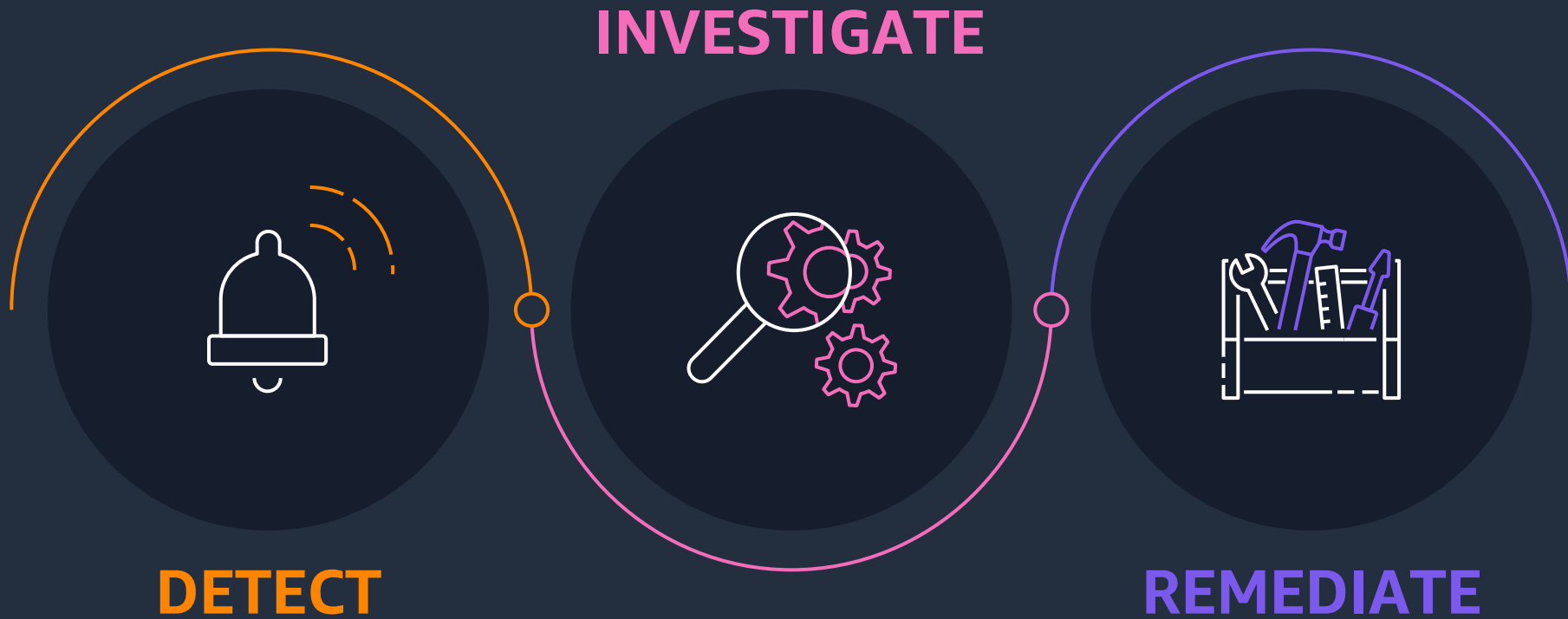
What is the usage?



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What is the  
business impact?

# What is observability?



# Foundation for observability: data drives decisions



Logs



Metrics



Traces



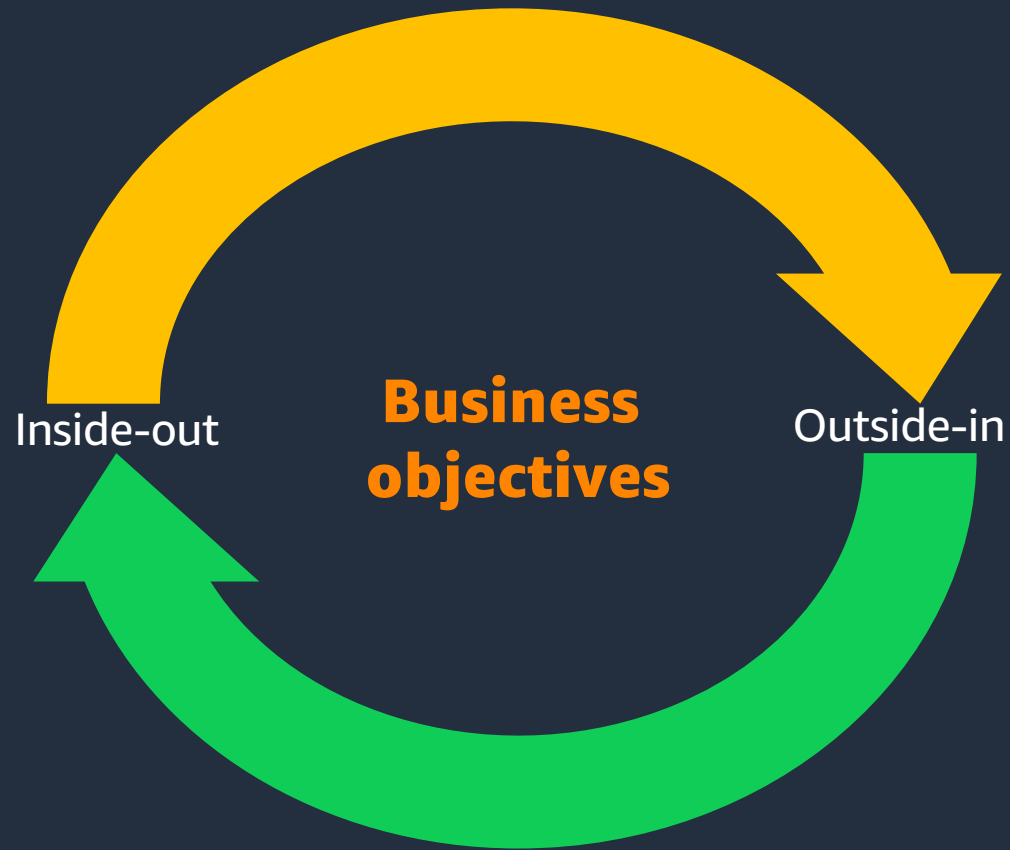
Which help you maintain SLAs by **detecting, investigating, and remediating problems** to achieve

Availability

Reliability

Performance

# Full-stack observability strategies



Your goals, objectives, and approach to observability should be shaped by your **business objectives**

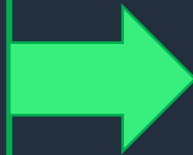
This will determine what signals you receive from your workloads, what to create alarms and notifications around, and how to build a full-stack observability solution that reduces your **mean time to resolution**

# Outside-In

Begin with establishing what good looks like to your **end users**

Examples include

- Web page response times
- Failed purchases
- JavaScript and HTML errors



## Typical SLO

- Page load time
- Purchases completed successfully
- Conversion rates and new customer acquisition
- New feature adoption rates
- **All are related to end-user behavior and performance**



# Inside-out

Begin by establishing what good looks like for your **backend applications**

Examples include

- Slow queries
- Integration health
- Container restarts



## Typical SLO

- Query time
  - High/low CPU utilization
  - Disk usage, IOPS
  - API response time
  - Errors, faults, and retries rate
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- **These are internal-facing signals**

# Business insights come from signals

Business insight



Customer sentiment, SLAs

Business-level metrics



Webpage response time, job run length

System-level telemetry



CPU wait %, disk queue depth

# Why AWS Observability



Understand  
Application Health



Improve Performance  
& Availability



Reduce  
Operational Cost



Improve End-User  
Experience

**Booking.com**

Collected and measured  
real-world performance  
metrics of websites



**CloudPassage**

Faster discovery and fixes of  
potential bugs accelerated  
feature development



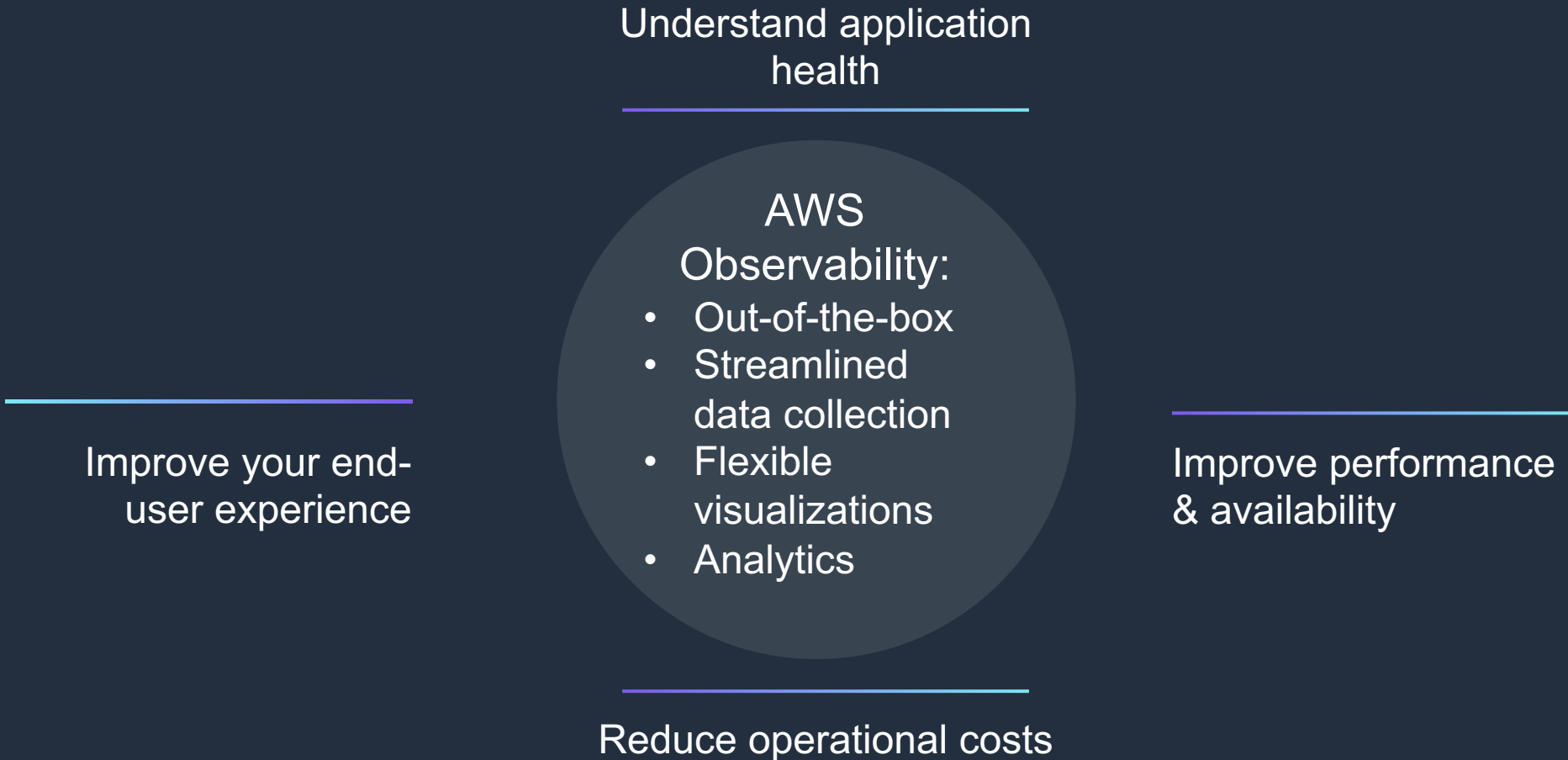
Alleviated operational burden to  
set up, configure, and learn  
third-party systems

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Resolved problems before their  
customers notified them of issue



# AWS Observability helps you achieve your business goals



# AWS Observability: Monitoring at scale

Millions

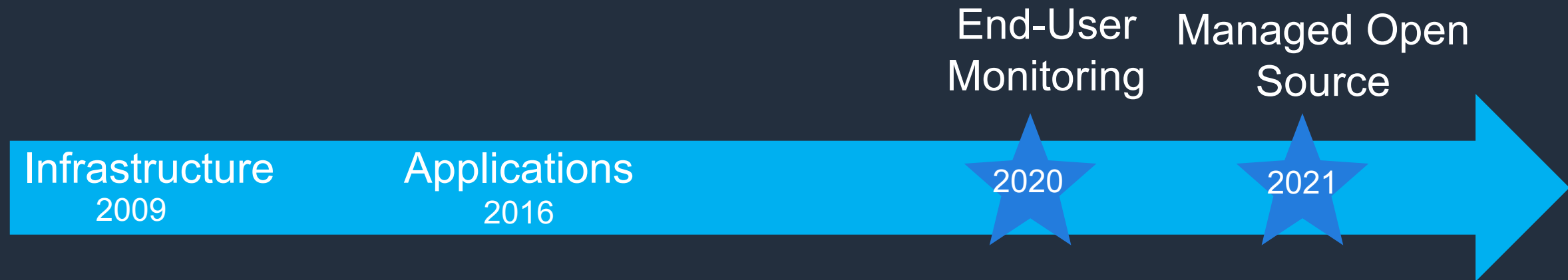
of AWS Observability  
customers

6 exabytes

of logs per month

11 quadrillion

metric observations per  
month



# AWS Observability: Powerful choice for your observability needs

## Sources & Workloads

- Integrates with more than 120 AWS services
- Consumes multiple data sources from third parties
- On-premises, hybrid and, containerized systems
- Open source systems



### Data Collection

- Open source or AWS native, via AWS Distro for OpenTelemetry and Amazon CloudWatch Agent
- Traces, metrics, logs



### Data Processing

- Contextualize your data points of traces, metrics, logs
- Enrich your data to be used for monitoring your applications and systems
- High cardinality



### Data Insight & Analysis

- Monitoring
- Dashboards & Visualization
- Alarms
- Correlated Telemetry
- Insights
- Anomaly Detection
- Root cause analysis
- AI Ops



### End-to-end Observability

- Infrastructure and Serverless Monitoring
- Network Monitoring
- Application Performance Monitoring and Management
- Cost monitoring & optimization
- Increased reliability and availability
- Achieve SLO/SLA
- Improve MTTD and MTTR
- CI/CD



## Coming up next...

- Build better customer experiences with observability
- Get actionable insights using Log Analytics
- Curated container observability experiences
- Monitor modern applications - The cloud-native way
- Monitor modern applications - The managed open-source way

# Resources

One Observability  
Workshop



AWS Observability  
Best Practices



Skill Builder – AWS  
Observability







# Thank you!