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A real-world resilience evolution in the cloud framework

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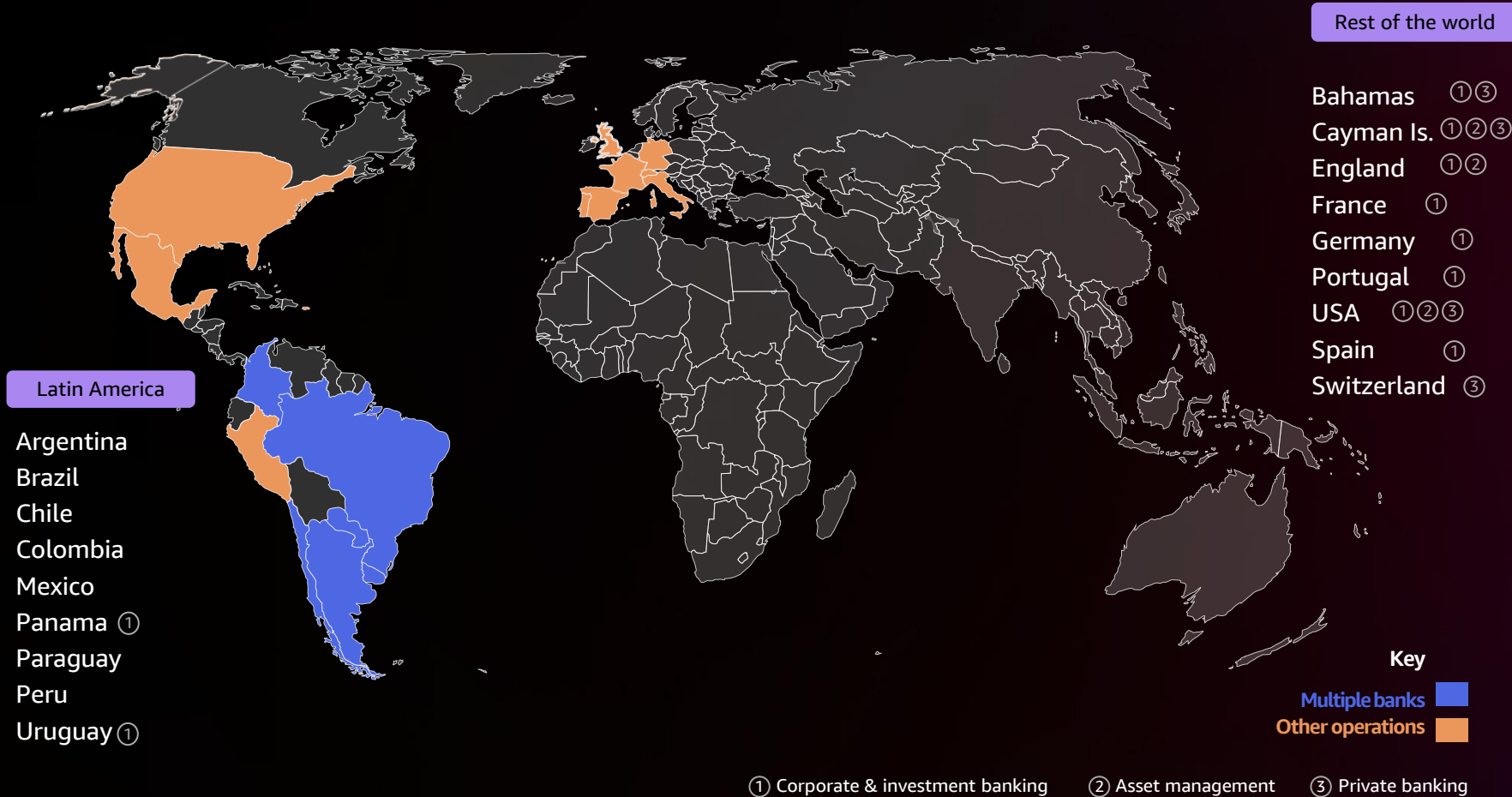
Agenda

- Banco Itaú's cloud journey
- Resilience evolution program
- Chaos engineering and testing
- Critical dependencies and deployment strategy review
- Internet account rearchitecture and service quota table
- Operations and observability changes



Itaú Unibanco

A universal bank | 98 years of history | Latin America's largest financial institution



Brazil's most valuable brand
7+ billion USD



65M+
customers



20M+
digital
customers



~100K
employees



4K
business
services



Our ability to innovate and adapt has allowed us to get here

Over the years, customer expectations and habits have changed

They value experiences rather than just products and services

But what does it mean to be

digital in essence?

Being digital goes beyond operating on digital channels; it is a **cultural change** that requires differentials in the way of operating and thinking about new solutions

- › Technology is at the **core of the business** and in all its products and services
- › Products are **loved by customers**, make sense, and have value for them and the business
- › Multidisciplinary teams share goals and accelerate decisions
- › Industry boundaries are more blurred, new revenue streams are explored

As part of this strategy



Our modernization strategy has a **structured roadmap**

What value modernization brings



Platform **designed to evolve** and be easily adaptable, following market parameters



Decreased dependencies and adoption of a **decoupled cellular architecture**, based on microservices



More agility and autonomy for teams to innovate through the use of reusable solutions

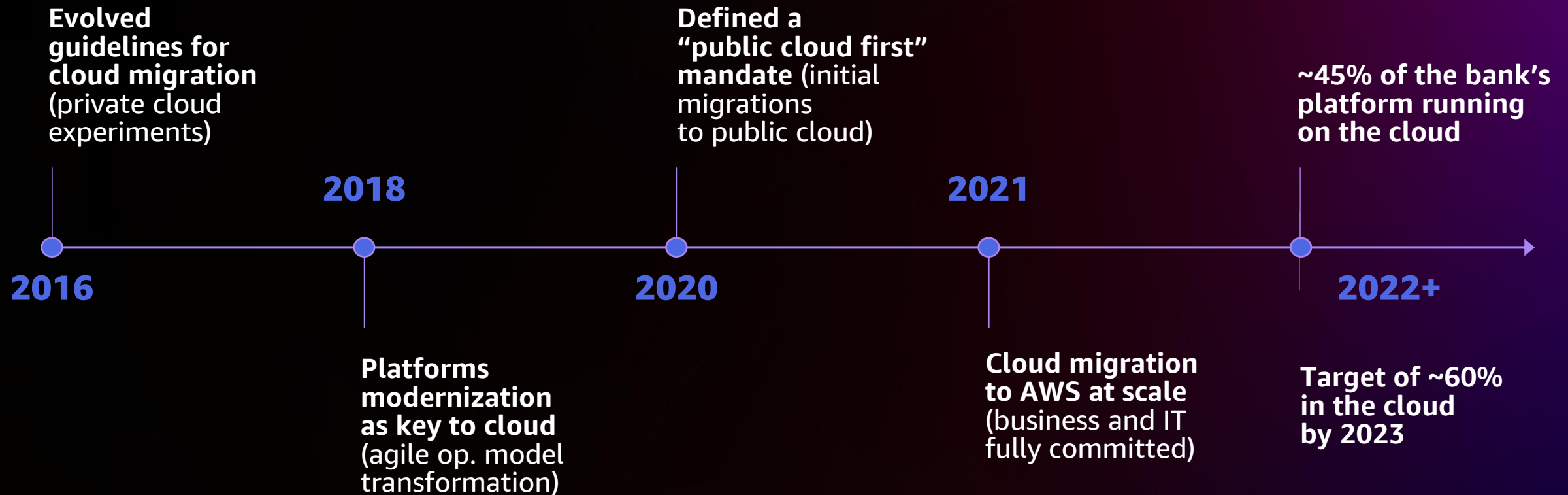


Increased delivery frequency, **with shorter cycles**, improving time to market



Analytics by design and observability: use of tools that help to better monitor the customer experience and evolve the platform

Although we started working with AWS in 2021, Itaú's public cloud journey started a couple of years earlier



Source: McKinsey & Company



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Why a resilience evolution program?



Even with the process of modernizing our applications to AWS, we understood that our expected **level of resilience** had not yet been reached



We needed to have **more visibility** into the health of the services used in our applications and **map the dependencies** of the services, ensuring that the framework could be used on a **large scale**

Itaú's critical workloads on AWS



- Brazilian Central Bank's instantenous system
- Itaú takes care of 25M transactions/day
- 30% of country's volume

Digital Channels

- Itaú's "storefront"
- Mobile and Internet
- 7.2M customers/day
- Peak of 2.5M concurrent customers

Credit Card Operations

- Credit card operations
- 51M transactions/day



- Distributed data store optimized for ingesting and processing streaming data in real time
- EC2 instances
- 5.9B messages/day

Itaú-AWS Resilience Evolution Program Pillars

Monitoring

1

Evolve applications' observability
Create dashboards that matter

Tests

2

Create a framework for Chaos Engineering

Dependencies

3

Map the dependencies
Reduce blast radius

Enhancements

4

Increase resilience and reliability of applications

Governance

5

Revise governance and suggest improvements based on needs

Mechanisms

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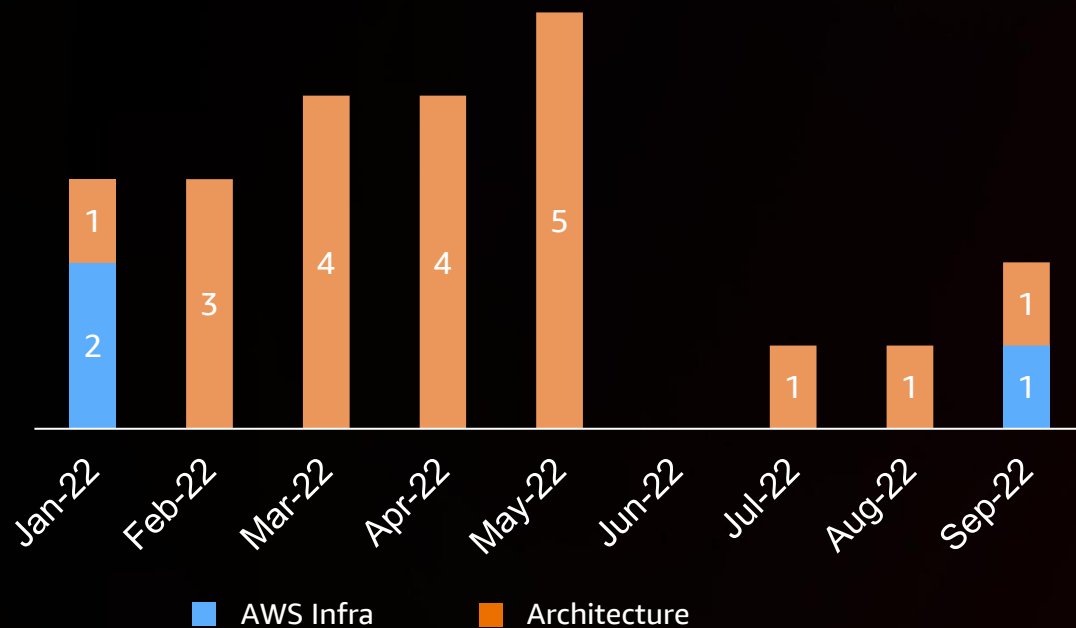
Based on the lessons learned from the 5 pillars, a mechanism was built to scale these improvements to all new critical applications.

Program metrics

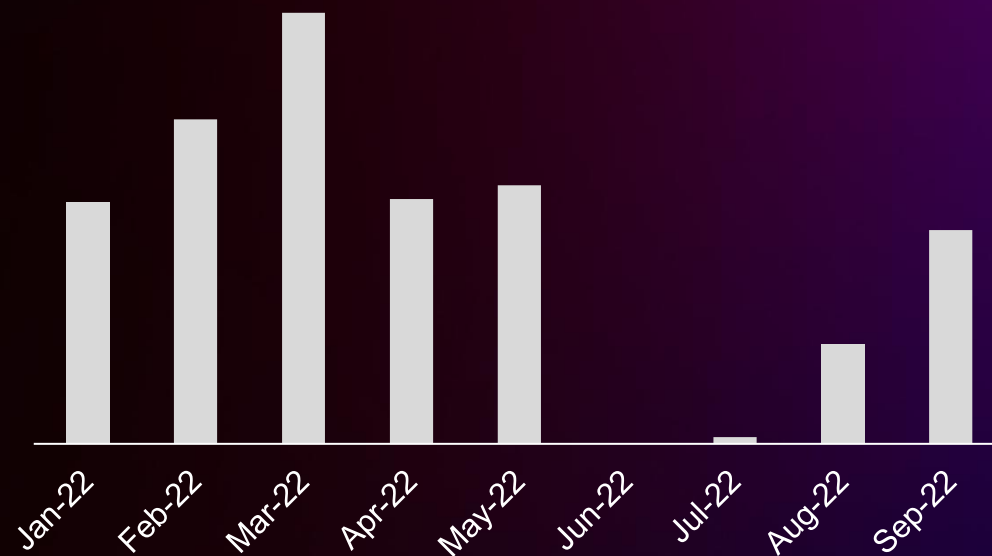
Observations

- Total MTTR (hours)
- Reduction of 75% of events and MTTR

Events impacting more than 1% of Itaú Clients

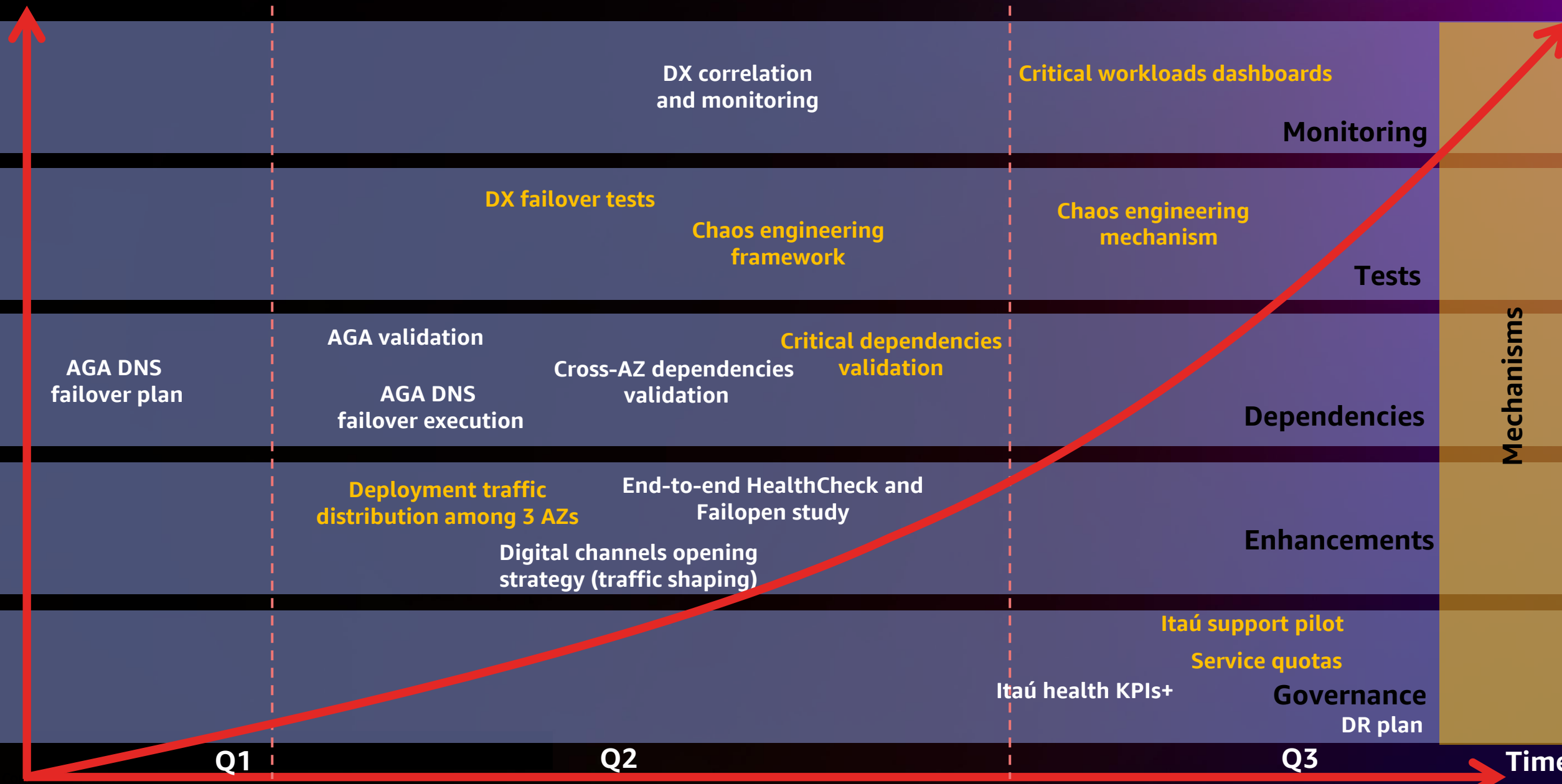


Total MTTR



Itaú-AWS resilience evolution program at a glance

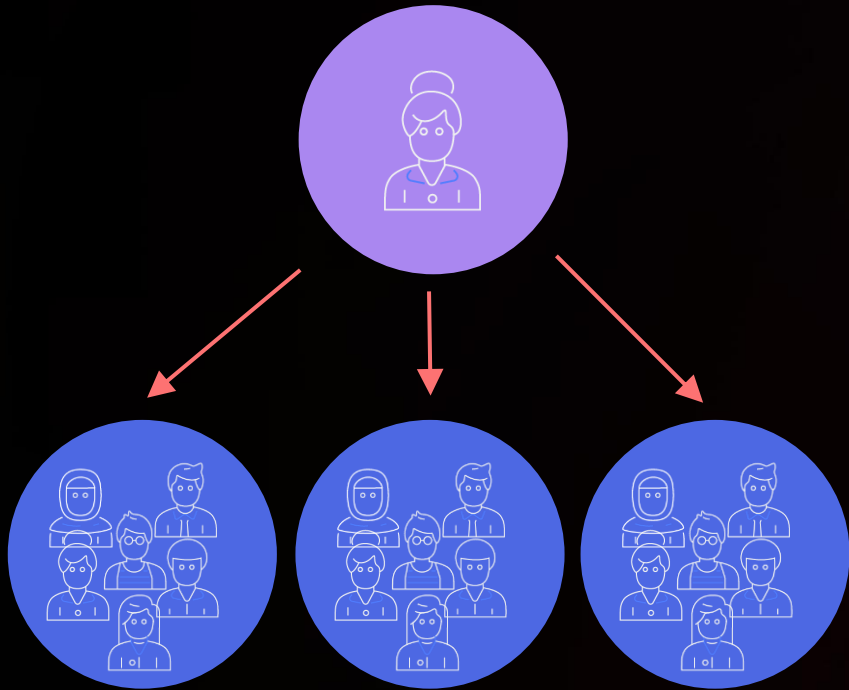
Pillars



Mechanisms

Time

Single-threaded leader (Amazon's definition)



- Person who is responsible for the **goals** of the team (“wakes up every day thinking about them”)
- This person understands **status**, **dates**, and **blockers**
- Leaders of **two-pizza teams** (2PTs) and also for programs (which generally involve multiple teams)

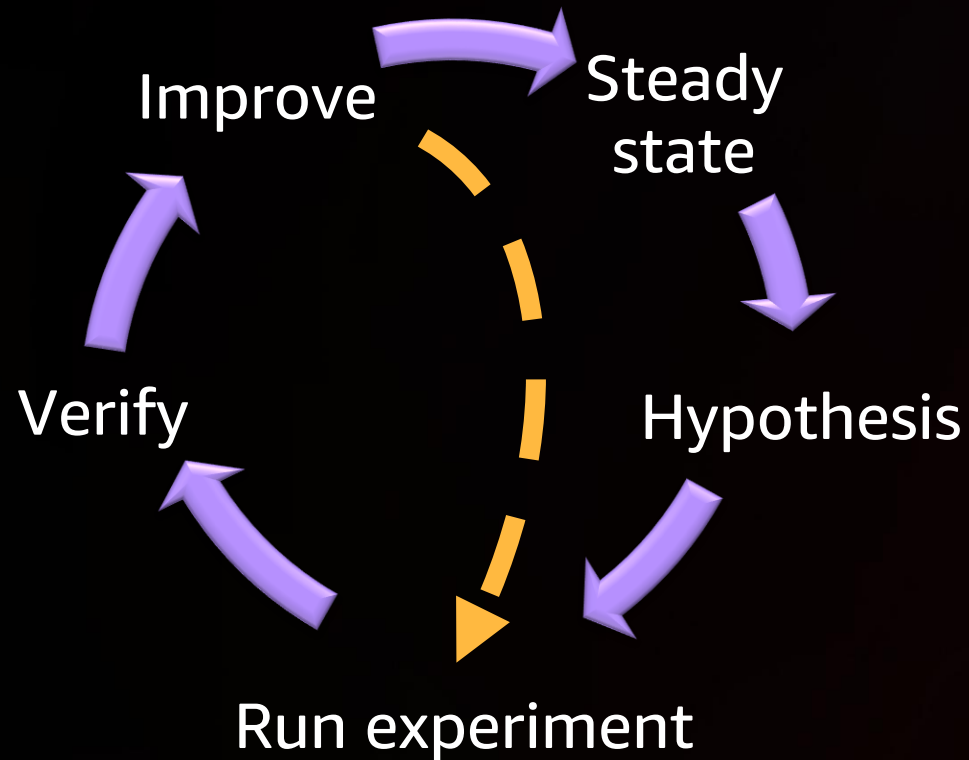
Resilience evolution STLs responsibilities



1. Be the primary resources capable of **escalating quickly** within AWS and Itaú
2. Recognize **areas of engagement** between Itaú and AWS and find areas that require deep technical experts to collaborate
3. Review and guide **failover testing**, run test regularly, and capture learnings from these tests
4. Operate in two continuous modes: **avoiding incidents** and **treating incidents**
5. Conduct **periodic reviews with executive leadership to discuss improvement opportunities**

Chaos engineering and testing

Chaos engineering framework for Itaú



- Chaos engineering definitions
- Phased approach (preparation, implementation, and results analysis)
- Chaos engineering maturity model
- Tools
- Example of a GameDay

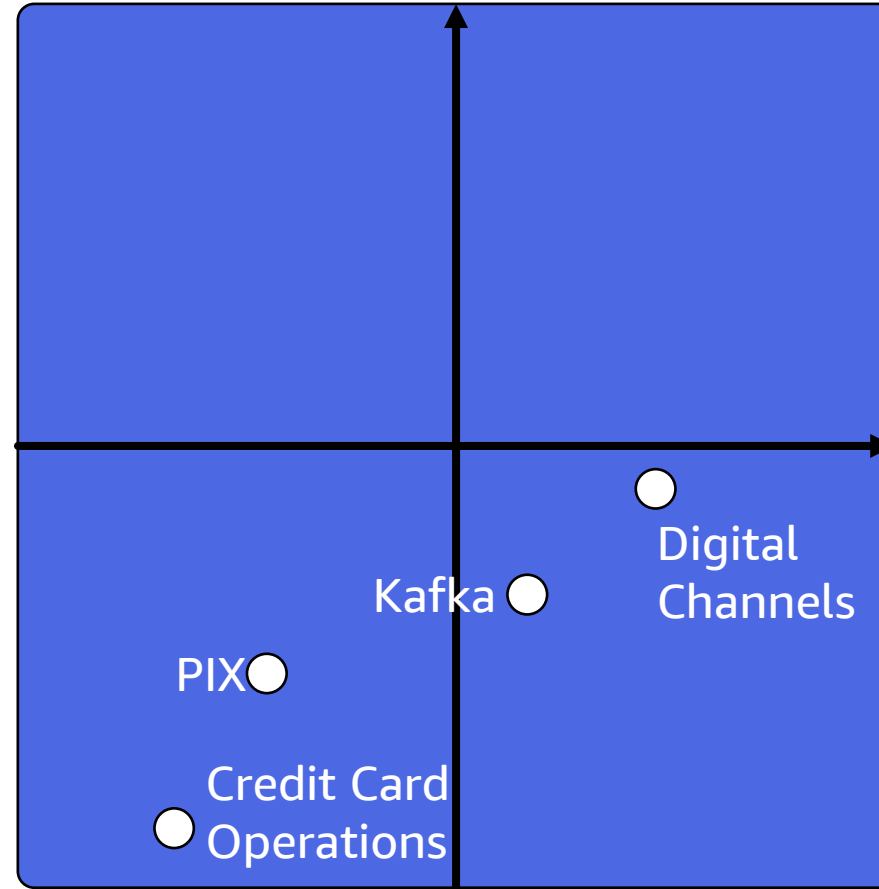
Chaos engineering maturity model

High sophistication

Chaos pioneers

No chaos story

High adoption



Chaos engineering hypotheses examples

PIX

- Send customer traffic (gradually from 5%–50%) from São Paulo to Virginia
- Reduce number of EC2 instances (“night mode”)

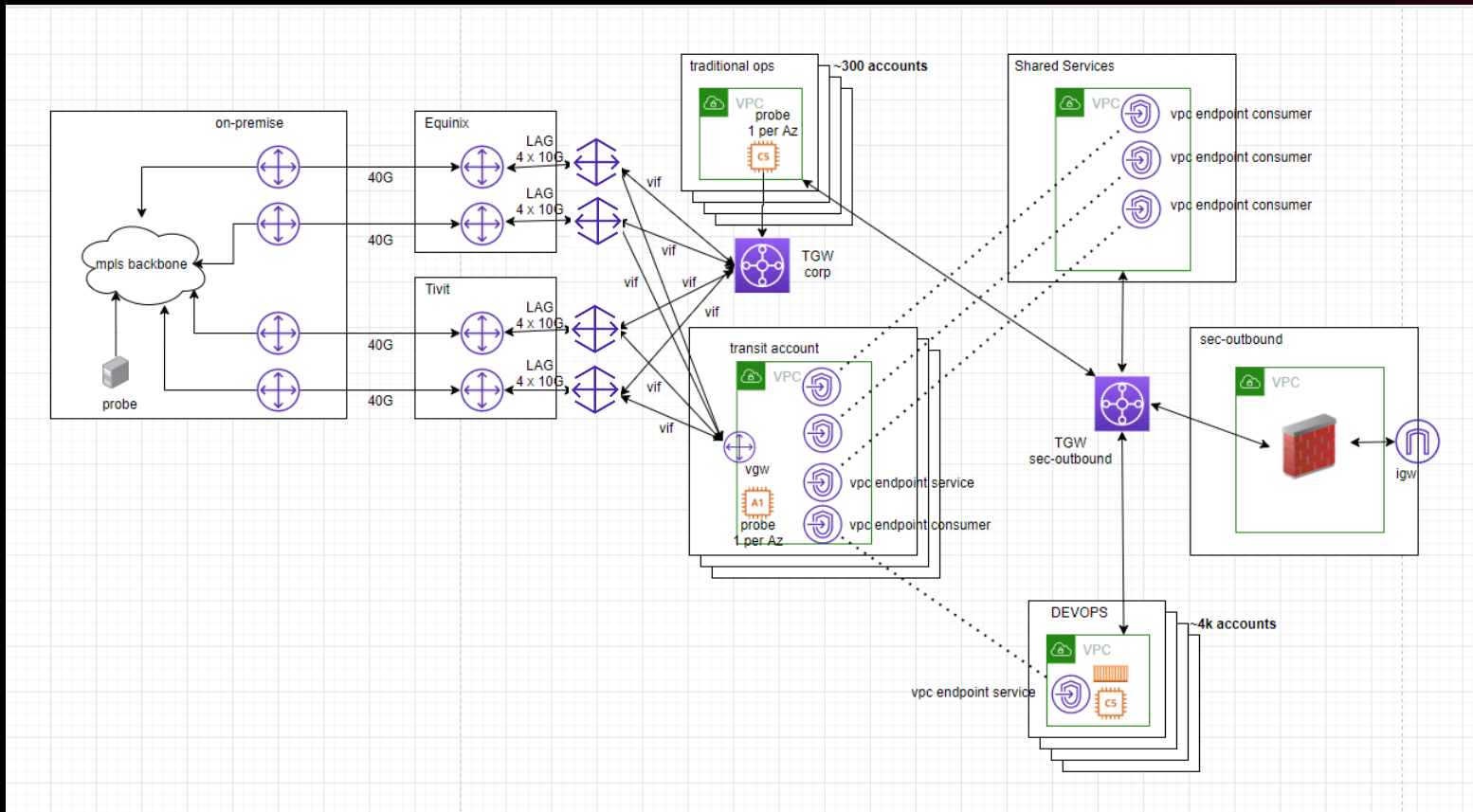


Digital Channels

- Open channels back after complete application interruption
- When the environment becomes overloaded, Digital Channels can be impacted by itself, or even impact the downstream dependencies
- Authorization from the Brazilian Central Bank



Itaú's test plan with AWS Direct Connect



1. **Backup** of all devices involved in the test procedure
2. Validate active routing **paths**
3. **Disable links** to leave only one link per VRF (ensuring traffic asymmetry and avoiding "false positives" in the tests)
4. **Enable links** back one by one
5. Request **validation** from networking, monitoring, and application teams

Direct Connect test plan recommendations

**AWS Direct
Connect
monitoring and
failover with
Anomaly
Detection (AWS
solution)**



**AWS Direct
Connect
failover
test**



**Periodically review that each failover
path has enough bandwidth to support
its own primary VRFs and the VRFs that
fail over (static stability)**

**Use more than one link aggregation
group for production traffic**

Critical dependencies validation and deployment strategy review

Critical dependencies validation

Service	NF2	S12	PIX - Payments	PIX - DICT	PIX - Wallet	Kafka
API Gateway			Hard	Hard	Hard	
DynamoDB			Hard	Hard	Hard	
Elastic Compute Cloud	Hard	Hard				Hard
Elastic Container Service			Hard	Hard	Hard	
ALB	Hard					
NLB	Soft	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
ElastiCache			Hard	Soft	Soft	
Key Management Service				Hard		Hard
Kinesis Firehose			Soft	Soft		
Lambda	Soft		Hard	Hard	Hard	Soft
Relational Database Service			Hard	Hard	Hard	
Route 53	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
Secrets Manager			Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
Simple Notification Service			Hard	Hard	Hard	X
Simple Queue Service			Hard	Hard	Hard	X
Simple Storage Service	Hard		Soft	Hard	Soft	X
WAF	Soft		Soft	Soft	Soft	Soft
Fargate		Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	X
VPC Endpoint	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
Transit Gateway (w/ Multicast)	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
Direct Connect	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
Global Accelerator	Hard					
Autoscaling	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
SSM - Run Command	Hard	Hard				
CodePipeline	Soft	Soft	Soft	Soft	Soft	
CodeBuild	Soft	Soft	Soft	Soft	Soft	
CodeDeploy	Hard	Hard	Soft	Soft	Soft	
CodeCommit	Soft	Soft	Soft	Soft	Soft	
ECR			Hard	Hard	Hard	
ACM	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
Shield Advanced	Hard	Hard				
Cloudwatch Alarm	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
AWS AppMesh		Hard				
CloudHSM			Hard	Hard		

Outages for **hard** dependencies imply that your dependent system is out as well

Outages for **soft** dependencies should have no impact on your service if they were designed appropriately

Digital Channels old deployment strategy

	sa-east-1			us-east-1
Day of the week	AZ 1	AZ 2	AZ 3	AZ 1
Saturday	100	0	0	0
Sunday	100	0	0	0
Monday	100	0	0	0
Monday night	0	50	45	5
Tuesday	100	0	0	0
Wednesday	100	0	0	0
Wednesday night	0	50	45	5
Thursday	100	0	0	0
Friday	100	0	0	0
Friday night	0	50	45	5

Digital Channels new deployment strategy

	sa-east-1			us-east-1
Day of the week	AZ 1	AZ 2	AZ 3	AZ 1
Saturday	70	0	25	5
Sunday	70	0	25	5
Monday	70	30	0	0
Monday night	0	50	45	5
Tuesday	70	0	25	5
Wednesday	70	30	0	0
Wednesday night	0	50	45	5
Thursday	70	0	25	5
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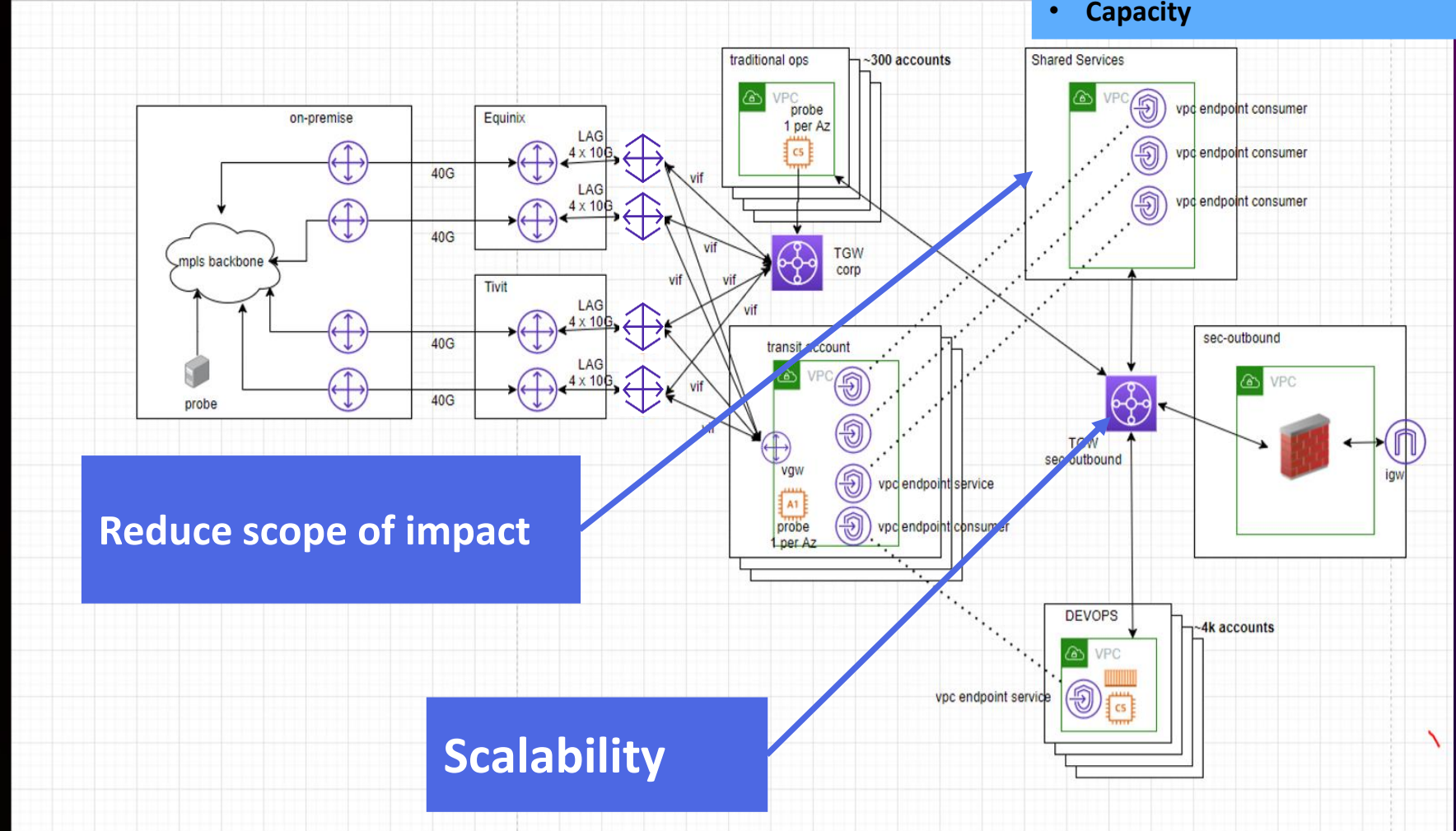
New release

Release -1



Internet account rearchitecture and service quota table

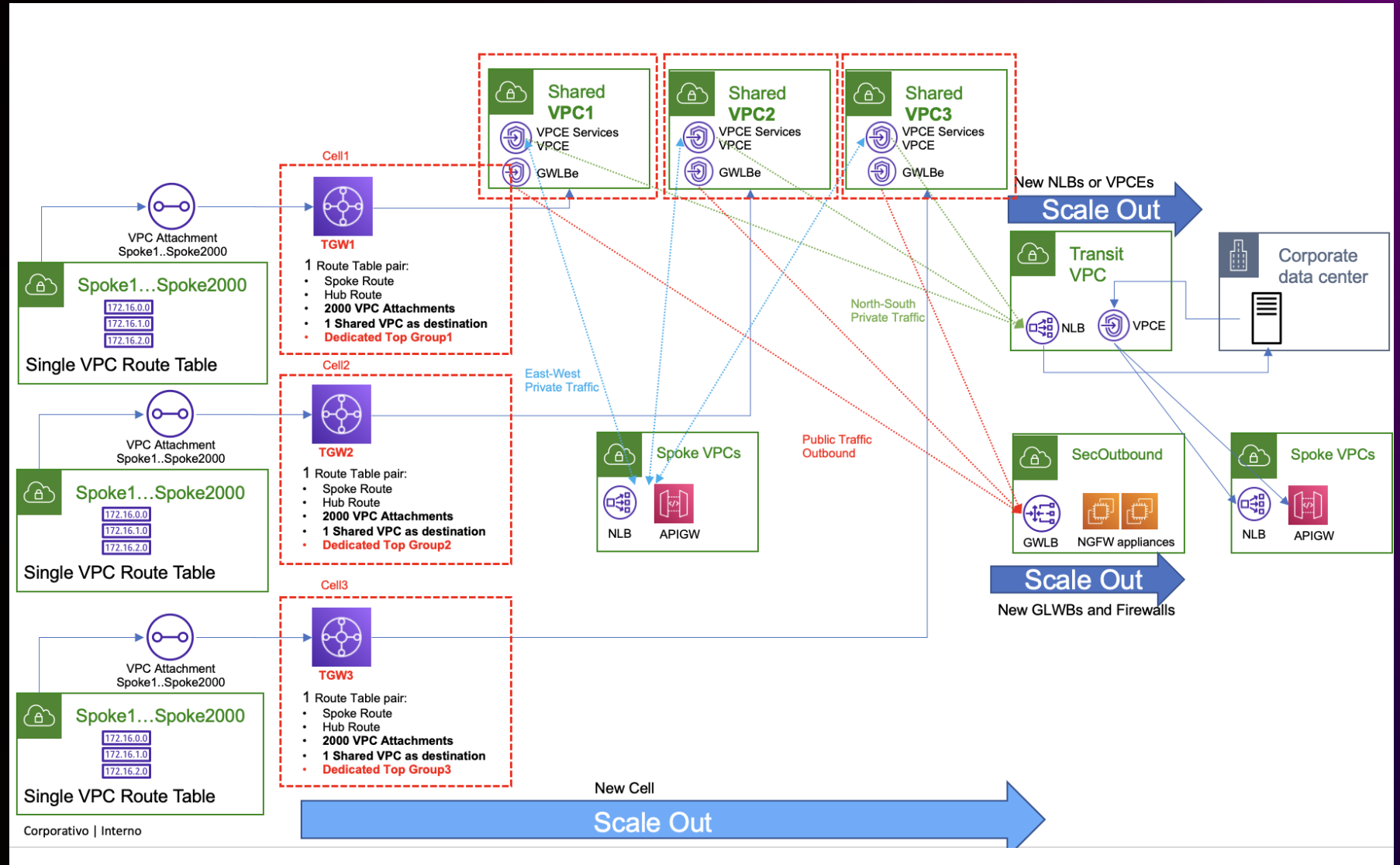
Internet account – Current architecture



Move from VPN attachment to GWLB

- Resilience
- Management
- Capacity

Internet account – New architecture



Service quota table

Transit Gateway Bandwidth		
Maximum bandwidth per VPC attachment, AWS Direct Connect gateway, or peered transit gateway connection	Up to 50 Gbps	Hard
Maximum packets per second per transit gateway attachment (VPC, VPN, Direct Connect, and peering attachments)	Up to 5,000,000	Hard
Maximum bandwidth per VPN tunnel	Up to 1.25 Gbps	Hard
Maximum packets per second per VPN tunnel	Up to 140,000	Hard
Maximum bandwidth per Transit Gateway Connect peer (GRE tunnel) per Connect attachment	Up to 5 Gbps	Hard
Maximum packets per second per Connect peer	Up to 300,000	Hard

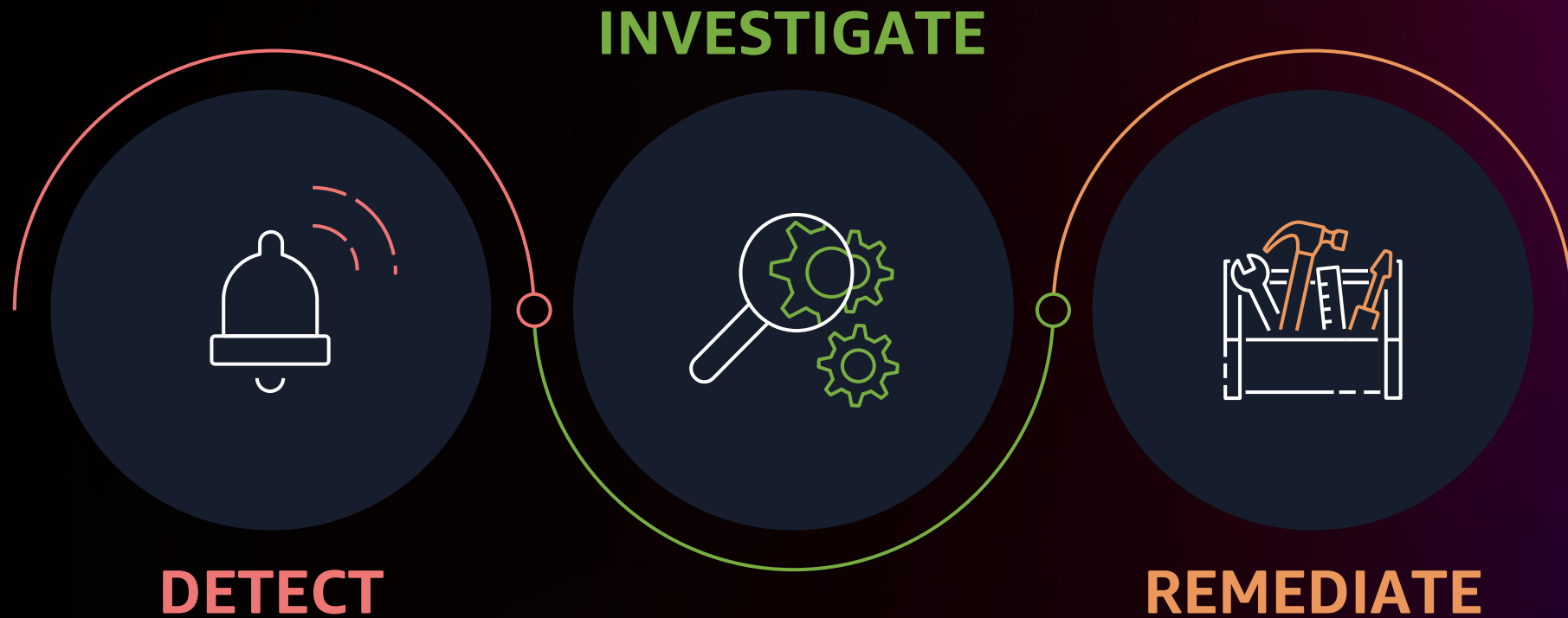
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Operations and observability changes



Observability between application and AWS



Executive dashboards



Dashboards should allow teams and executives who are not application owners a simple view on availability and easily drill down.

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Support experience

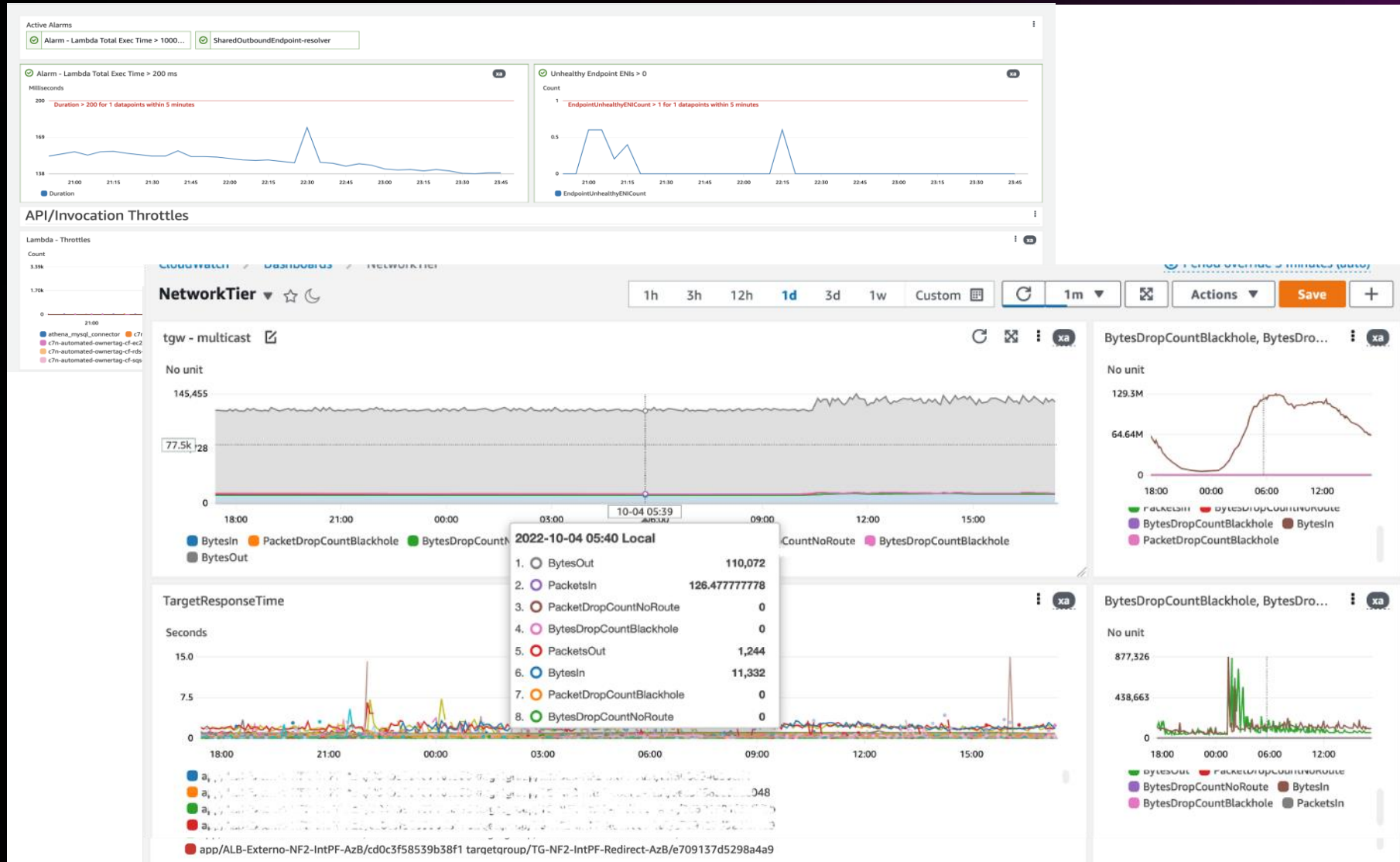
Explore ways to improve mean time to detection and mean time to recovery



**Workload review to
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workloads and their
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infrastructure
and services**

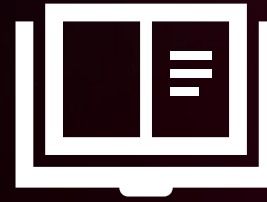


**Set up observability
to monitor the
underlying AWS
infrastructure and
services employed
by workloads**





**Define critical alarms
at the application
layer to track the
key outcomes of
the workload**



**Define response
plans and runbooks
for managing critical
incidents**

Alarms

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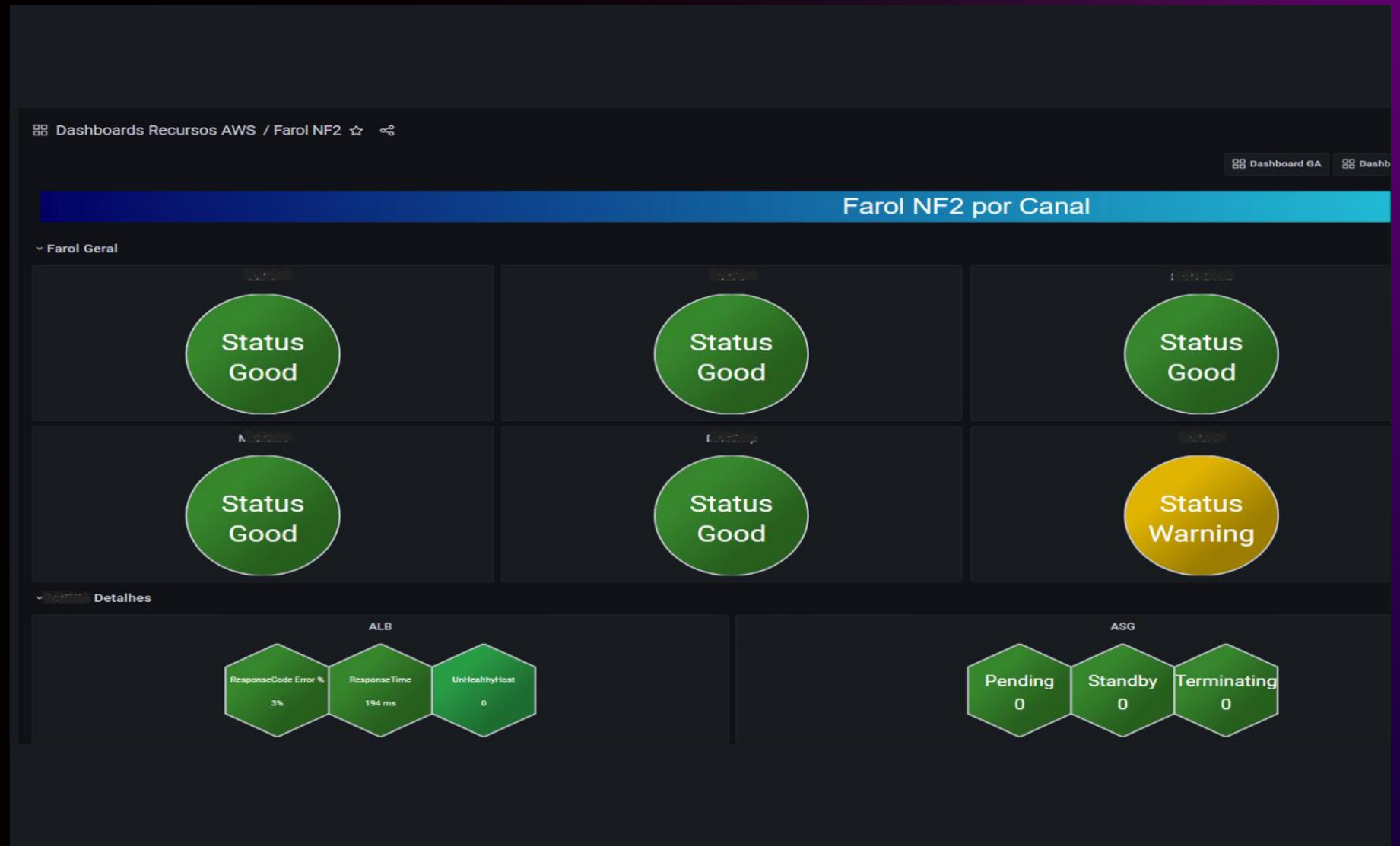
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Metrics data not verified

**“Farol”
(traffic light)**

V1 dashboard

Executive view “Farol”



V1 dashboard

Drill down



Traffic light logic Example

The screenshot displays the AWS CloudWatch Metrics browser interface with three queries configured for traffic light logic. Each query is shown in a separate panel with its own options and a 'Run query' button.

Query C (Prometheus):

```
count(sum(aws_elb_un_healthy_host_count_maximum(account_id, dimension_loadBalancer, dimension_availabilityZone!=*))>0))
```

Query D (Prometheus):

```
count(((sum(aws_asg_group_pending_instances_sum(account_id, dimension_AutoScalingGroupName!=*)) / sum(aws_asg_group_total_instances_sum(account_id, dimension_AutoScalingGroupName!=*)) > 0.10)) + 2 OR on() vector(0))
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Query E (Prometheus):

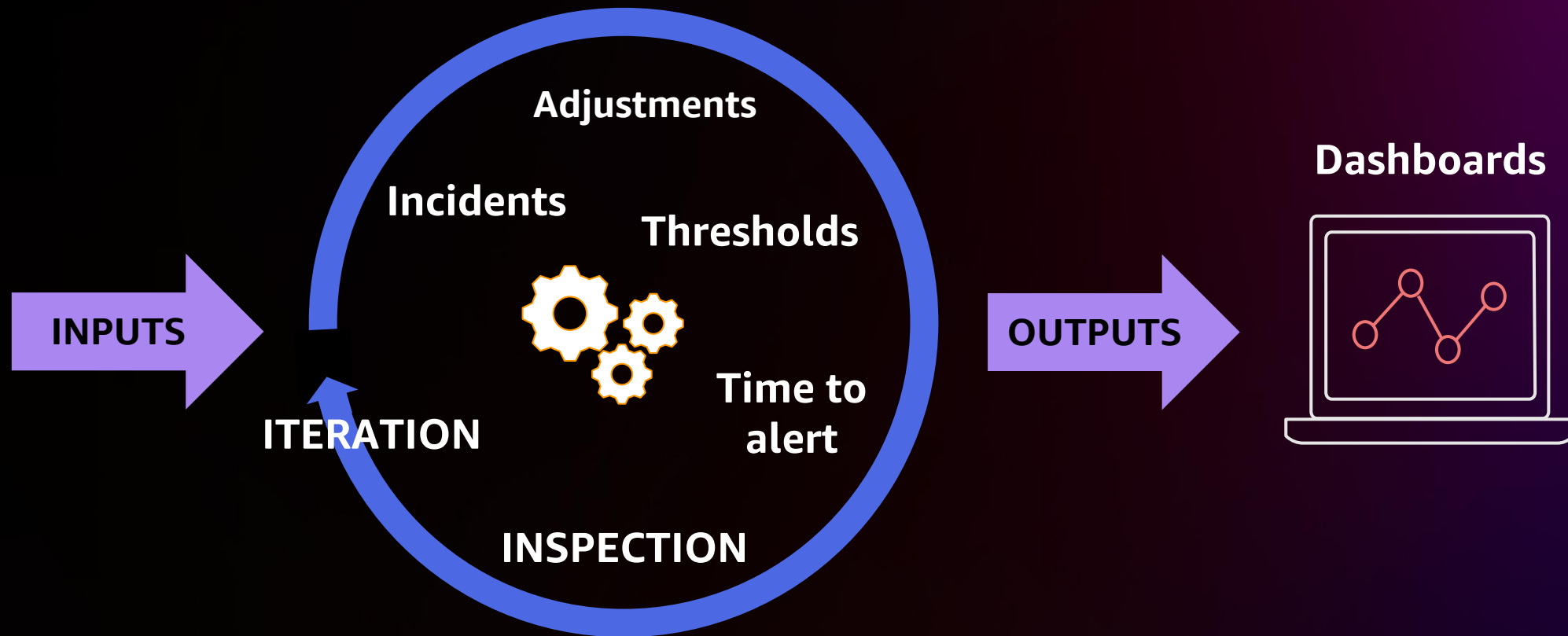
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count(sum(aws_eks_unhealthy_endpoint_count_maximum(account_id, dimension_cluster_name, dimension_group_left(tag_AGA, (aws_eks_info_kubernetes_info_name!=*) + 1)) > 1) + 1 OR on() vector(0))
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Observability is a journey

Review metrics after events that cause impact to customers, review what lessons were learned and possible improvements, and iterate



What else can we do with operations and observability?

AWS Incident Detection and Response builds on AWS Enterprise Support



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