# CI/CD AND MORE

# BAEKGROUND

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## About me

- SWE @ Meta
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  - ∘ PHP/Hack 🧟, Python, React
- UTSC CS '24
  - o CS TA: B07 (x2), B20, **C01**, C09, D01
  - Co-ops: CaseWare, Halo, RBC, HubSpot, AmEx
  - MLH Fellowship
- been coding since i was 5

## Caffeine Induced / Code Disasters

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The phenomenon where a developer's over-reliance on caffeinated beverages leads to a temporary boost in productivity, followed by a series of coding mishaps that require extensive debugging and troubleshooting.

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INTEGRATION

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DEPLOYMENT

## **Prerequisites**

- Pushing code changes (git push)
- Building/Compiling code (gcc, Mobile app builds, Generating static webpages)
- ✓ Testing code (Manual, Unit, E2E Integration)
- Deploying code
  - Static sites: GitHub Pages, Netlify, Cloudflare Pages, ...
  - Server(less): Vercel, Railway, Firebase, ...
  - Full-stack: Amazon Web Services, Google Cloud Platform, Azure, Heroku, ...



#### This is Aryan (pretend)

- Just started his first new grad SWE role
- Doesn't know much about the team and the codebase they work on yet
- The codebase is **huge**: Thousands of files, rough idea on where to look
- Opened the repo, needs to make a small change

#### Aryan makes this change

```
<<GraphQLField(
   'comments_info',
   'Get comments for an IG Media (feed, story, reel)',
)>>
public function getComments(
   - ?IGMediaCommentsInfoInputObject $input,
   IGMediaCommentsInfoInputObject $input,
): ICommentsInfo;
```

#### Aryan tests the code change

```
[arypat@] ← hh
No errors!
[arypat@] ← meerkat
Starting Meerkat instance 60d43606-a864-43c4-82ba-35a31d34ba12
Calculating last good mergebase
Querying changed files
Resetting artifacts to mergebase
Running rebuild steps
Updating source control

Meerkat finished in 105.48 seconds
```

# IT'S SHOWTIME!

Looking good, he pushes the change: https://www.internalfb.com/diff/D77156122

## Things to think about

- Remember, Aryan just started.
- How long did it take to code → test → push?
- What would happen if there was no CI?
- How long would it have taken to test 'everything' manually?
  - Could he do that?
  - **Should** he do that?

# FLOW SO FAR...



TL;DR: Automated service to quickly test code changes and detect errors early

# Additional CI Capabilities

- Static Analysis
  - Code Coverage
  - Security Vulerability Scanning (leaking env. variables, secrets)
- Build/Test Artifacts
  - Log of passing/failing tests
  - Screenshots of UI changes end-to-end
- Async/Offline Triggers
  - Sending notifications
  - Database schema changes
  - Sending notifications on failure/success

notif1 notif2 notif3

Tests or Static Analysis error Automated unit test generation Shared engineering group

my failure

# **After CI Passes**

code review

# DEPLOYMENT

- Depends on the company / team / project / architecture
- Staggered Rollout

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i. α / Development (latest, unstable, main)
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- ii. Staging (test , qa , staging)
- iii. Production ( prod , stable )
- Types of Deployment:
  - A/B: Experiment between two versions, see metrics and choose
  - Blue/Green: Run both, then instant swap
  - Canary: Gradual release based on % of population
  - Rolling: Gradual release based on # of services



### To Conclude

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Code \Rightarrow Test \Rightarrow Build \Rightarrow Review \Rightarrow Deploy \Rightarrow Pray nothing breaks
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- The earlier you set it up, the more it helps
- Bad CI/CD is worse than none
- Don't reinvent the wheel
- Green check ≠ Things look good (sometimes)
- CI/CD and Devops at scale usually someone else's problem responsibility

#### Resources:

- https://docs.github.com/en/actions/writing-workflows/
- https://about.gitlab.com/topics/ci-cd/
- Meta Al ChatGPT (Imao)



# **Closing Thoughts**

Why this course matters.