DevOps Handbook

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 - Building an automated environment creation process that starts from "bare metal" (eq. PXE install from a baseline image)
 - Using "infrastructure as code" config management tools (eg Puppet, Chef, Ansible, Salt, CFEngine, etc.)
 - Using automated automated operating system configuration tools (eg Solaris Jumpstart, Red Hat Kickstart, Debian preseed)
 - Assembling an environment from a set of virtual images or containers (eg. Vagrant, Docker)
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 - Any script used to create db schemas, application reference data
 - All env create tools
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 - "Monitoring is so important that our monitoring systems need to be more available and scalable than the systems being monitored." - Adrian Cockcroft
 - logging of critical features
 - INFO wrong login for FPY
 - WARN DB not writing or taking too long to connect
 - WARN Internet connectivity
 - inability to create institutional knowledge
 - 80% of all outages are caused by change and 80% of MTTR is spent trying to determine what changed
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 - o Enable creation of Production metrics as part of daily work
 - StatsD from Etsy
 - Create self-service access to telemetry and information radiators
 - **IDEA** create a 320F new product launch dashboard
 - When metrics aren't actionable, they are likely vanity metrics that provide little useful information
 - o infrastructure metrics
 - o cost of delayed features
 - instead of measuring downtime, measure real business consequences of downtime. How much revenue should we have attained but didn't.
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 - o outlier detection
 - Normally distributed data
 - compute mean and std for normal
 - what to alert on
 - analyze severe outages in last 30 days
 - create a list of telemetry that could have enabled earlier and faster detection and diagnosis
 - anomaly detection
 - chi-squared distribution
 - smoothing moving averages (rolling avgs)

- Fast Fourier Transform test
- Kolmogorov Smirnov and other "non-parametric"
- R
- Oculus
- Opsweekly
- Skyline
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 - Integrate preventive security controls into shared source code repositories and shared services
 - o Integrate security into our deployment pipeline
 - Ensure security of the application
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 - o Integrate security and compliance into change approval processes
 - Re-categorize the majority of our lower risk changes as standard changes
 - What to do when changes are categorized as normal changes
 - Reduce reliance on separation of duty
 - o Ensure documentation and proof for auditors and compliance officers