

Putting the Ops in DevOps

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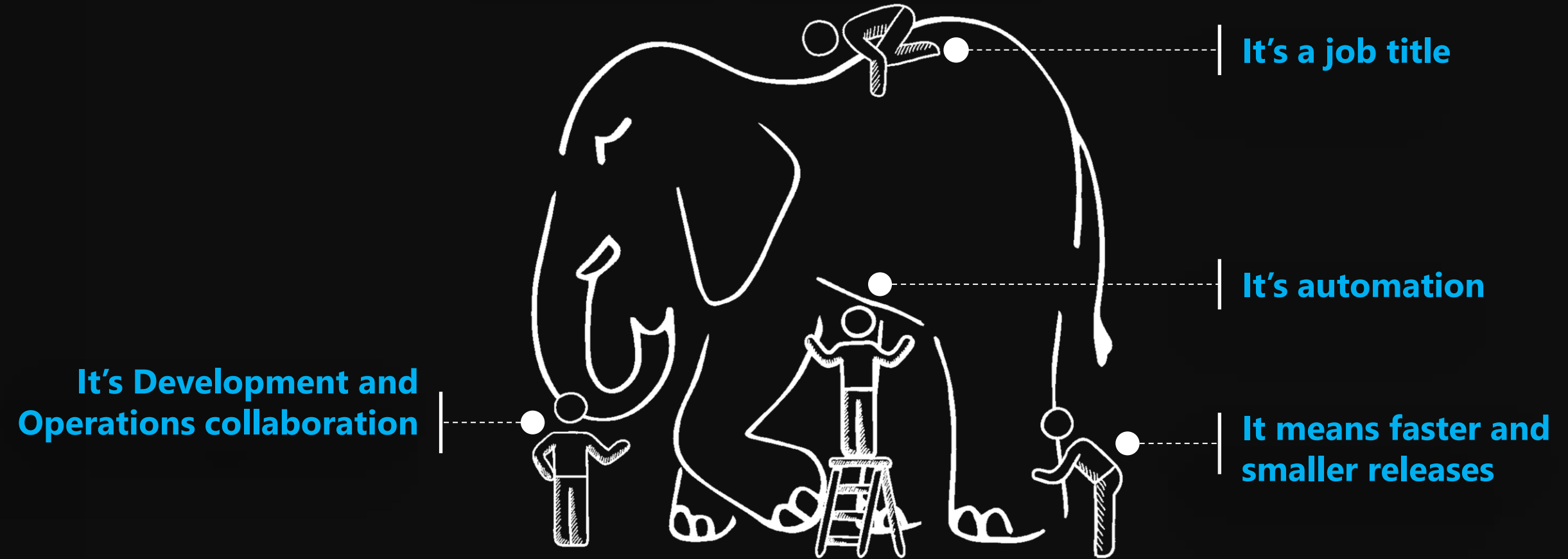


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What is DevOps?



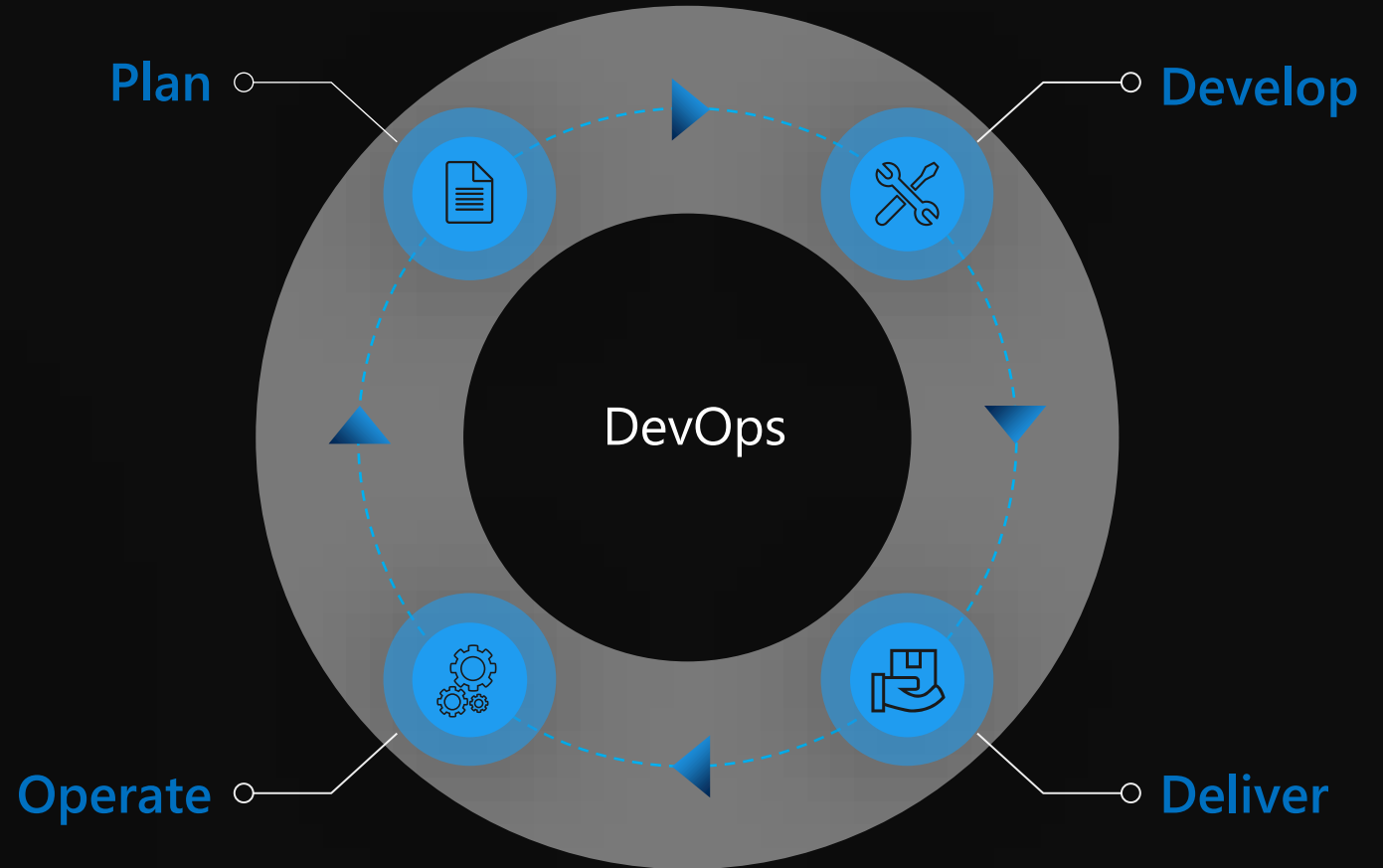


What is DevOps?



*DevOps is the union of **people, process, and products** to enable continuous delivery of value to your end users.*

– Donovan Brown



Why is DevOps important?

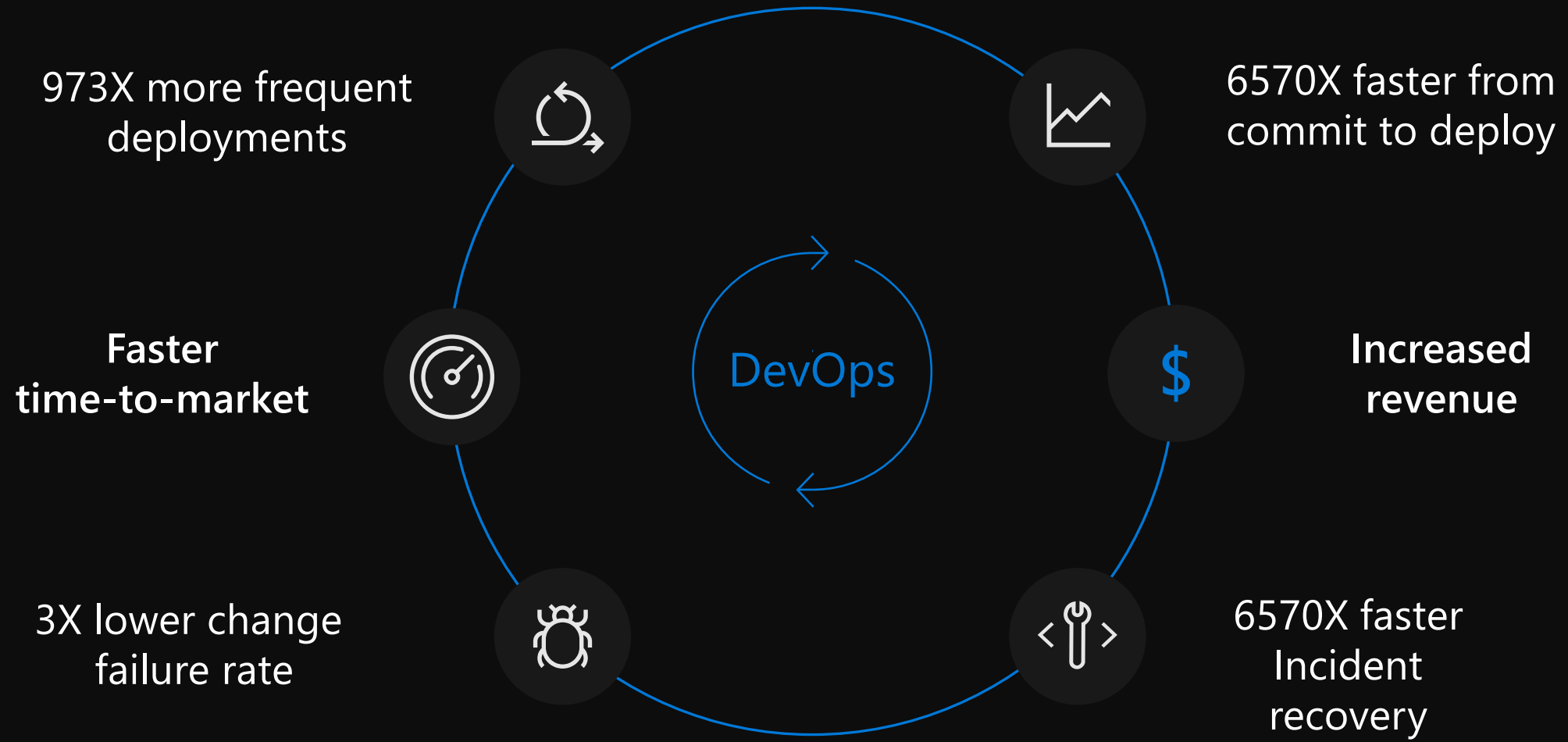
Your competition is already doing this

Increase velocity

Reduce downtime

Reduce human error

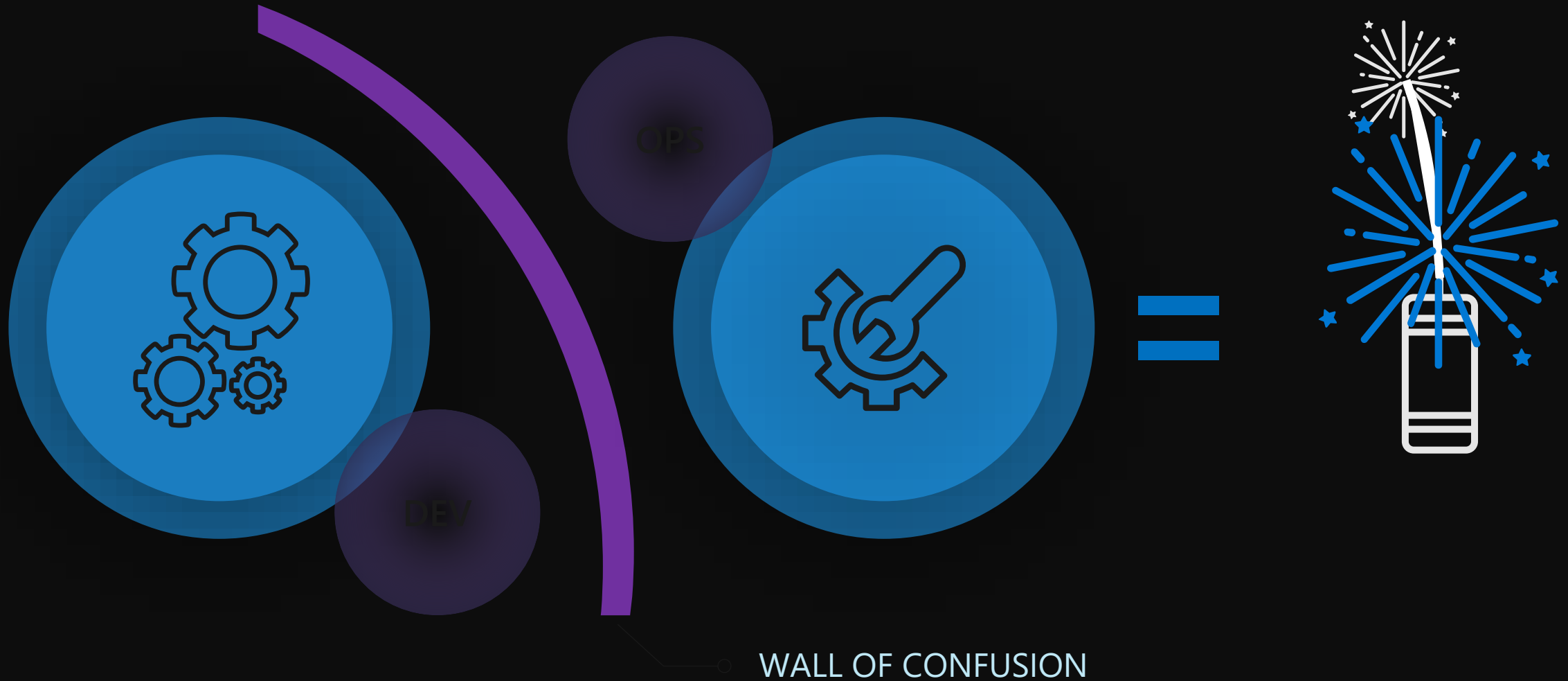
High performance DevOps companies achieve...



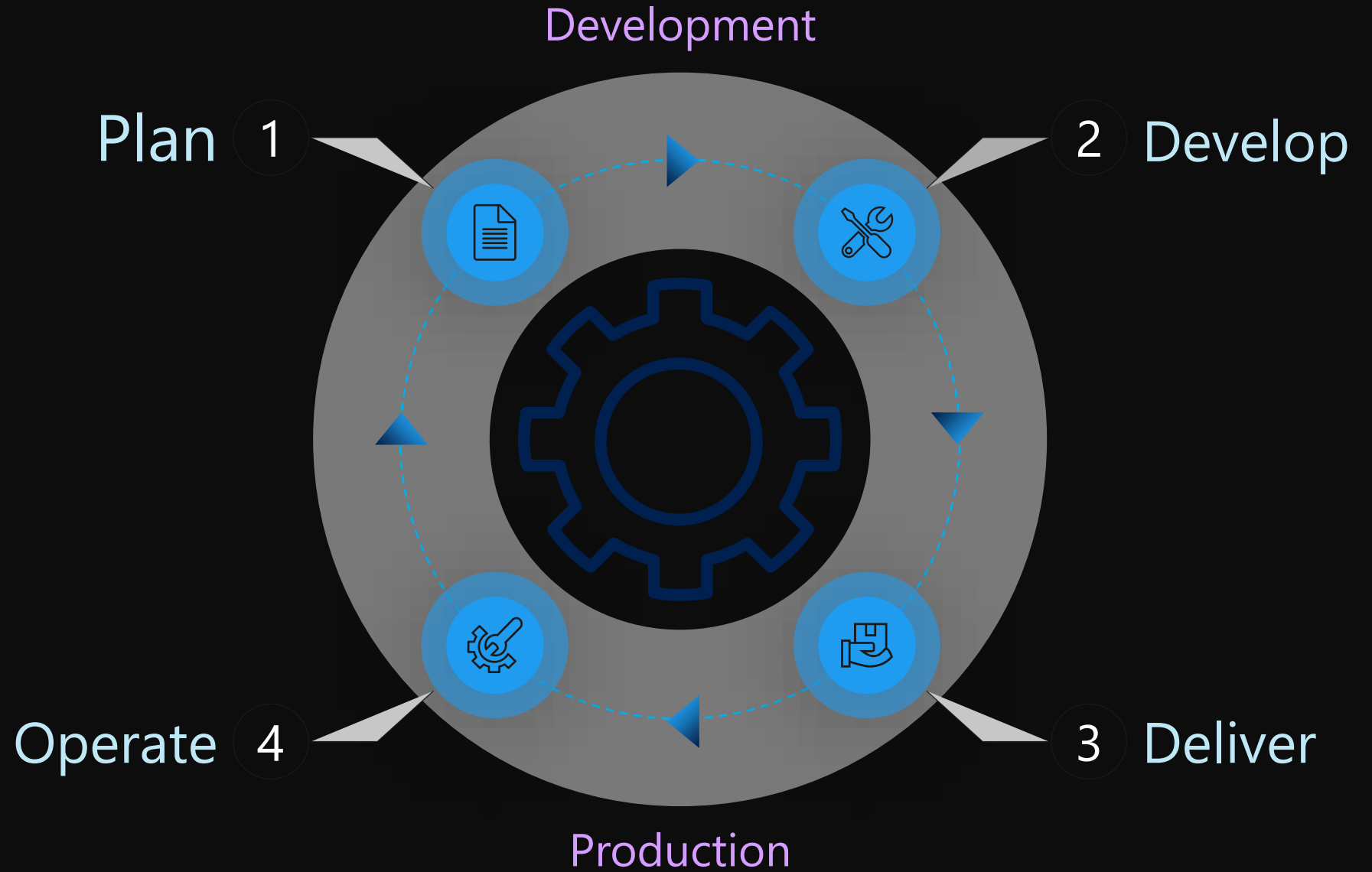
Source: 2021 Accelerate State of DevOps Report

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People



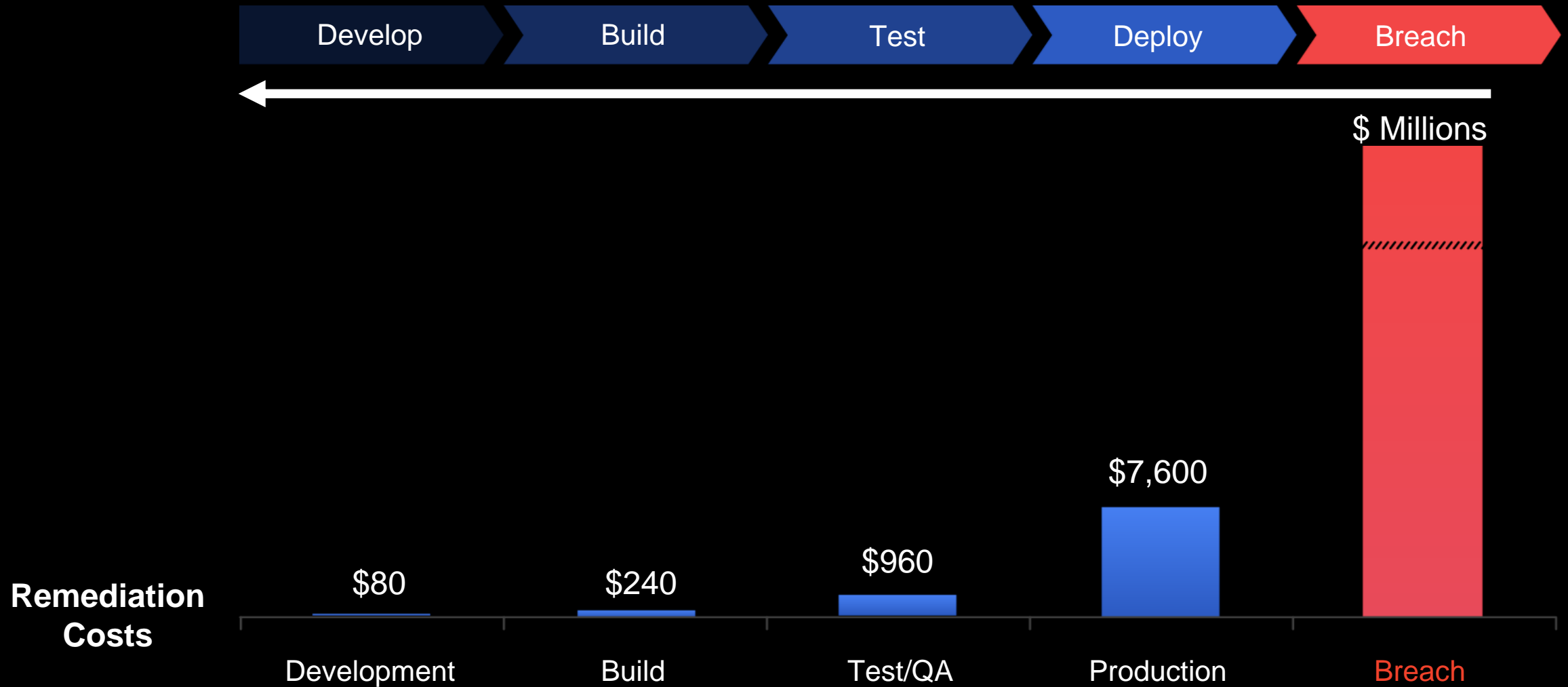
Process



Shift Left



Sources of vulnerabilities



Continuous delivery

Deploy often

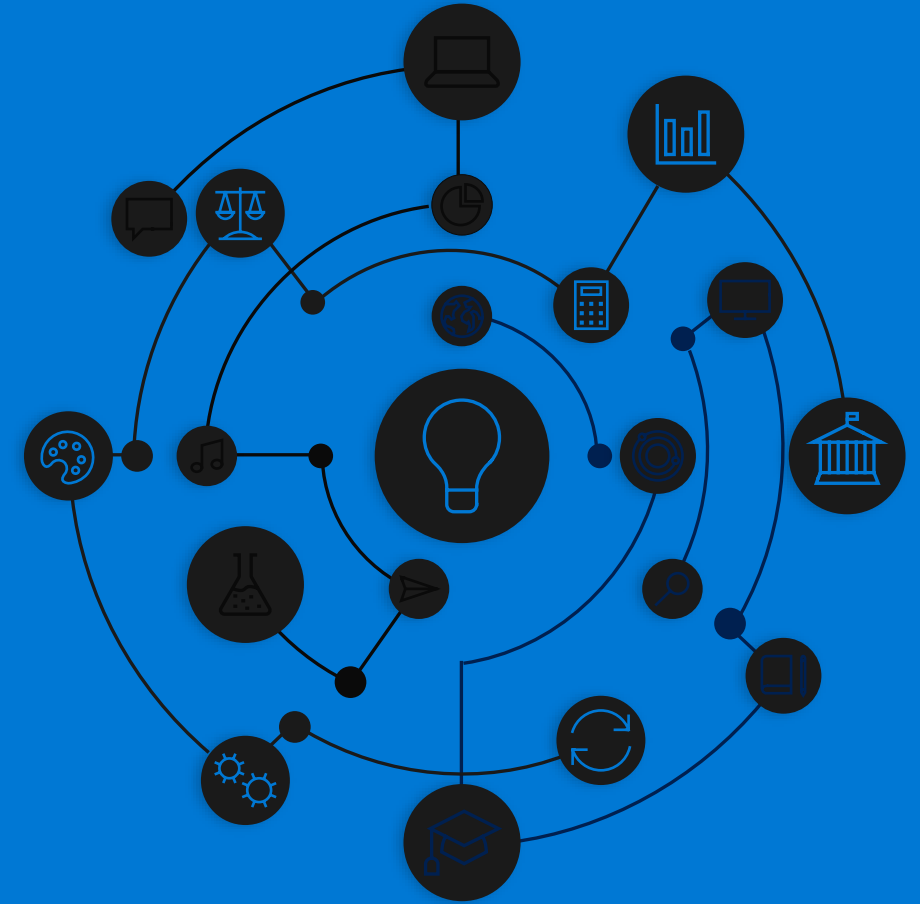
Deploy smaller / focused changes

Initiated by code commit

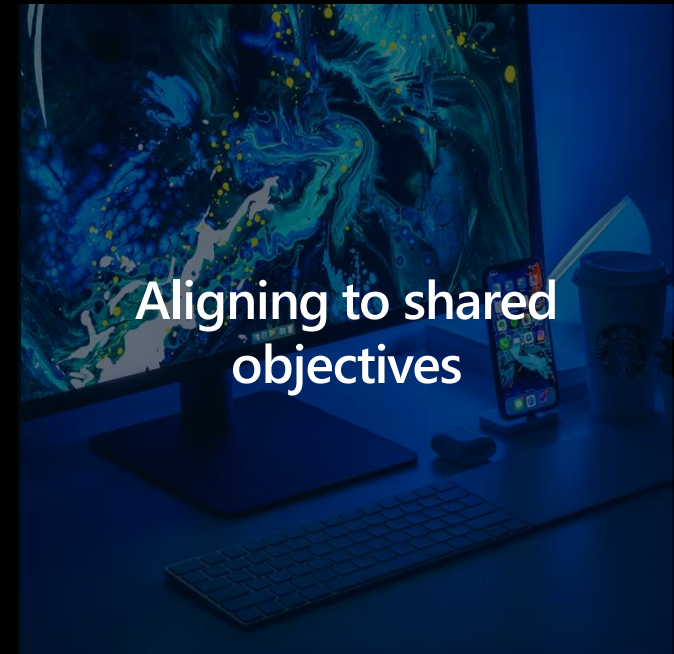
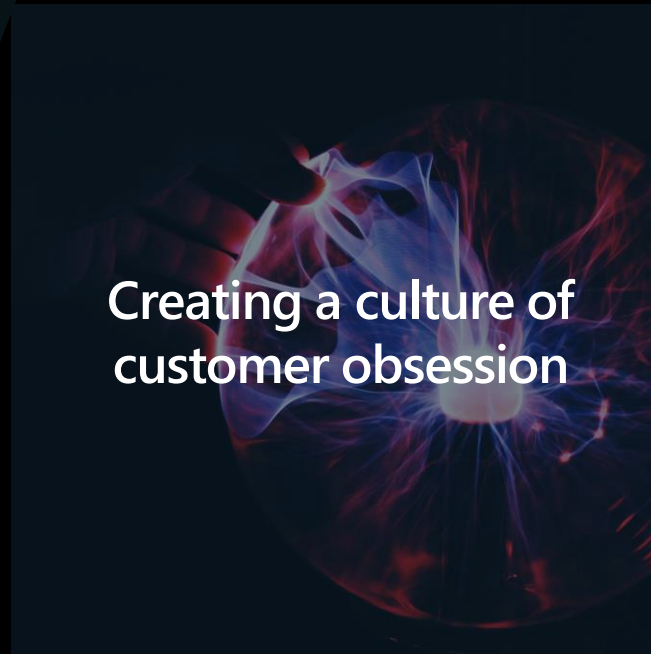
Automated testing

Feedback engines

Historical records



Key Elements of Microsoft's DevOps Culture



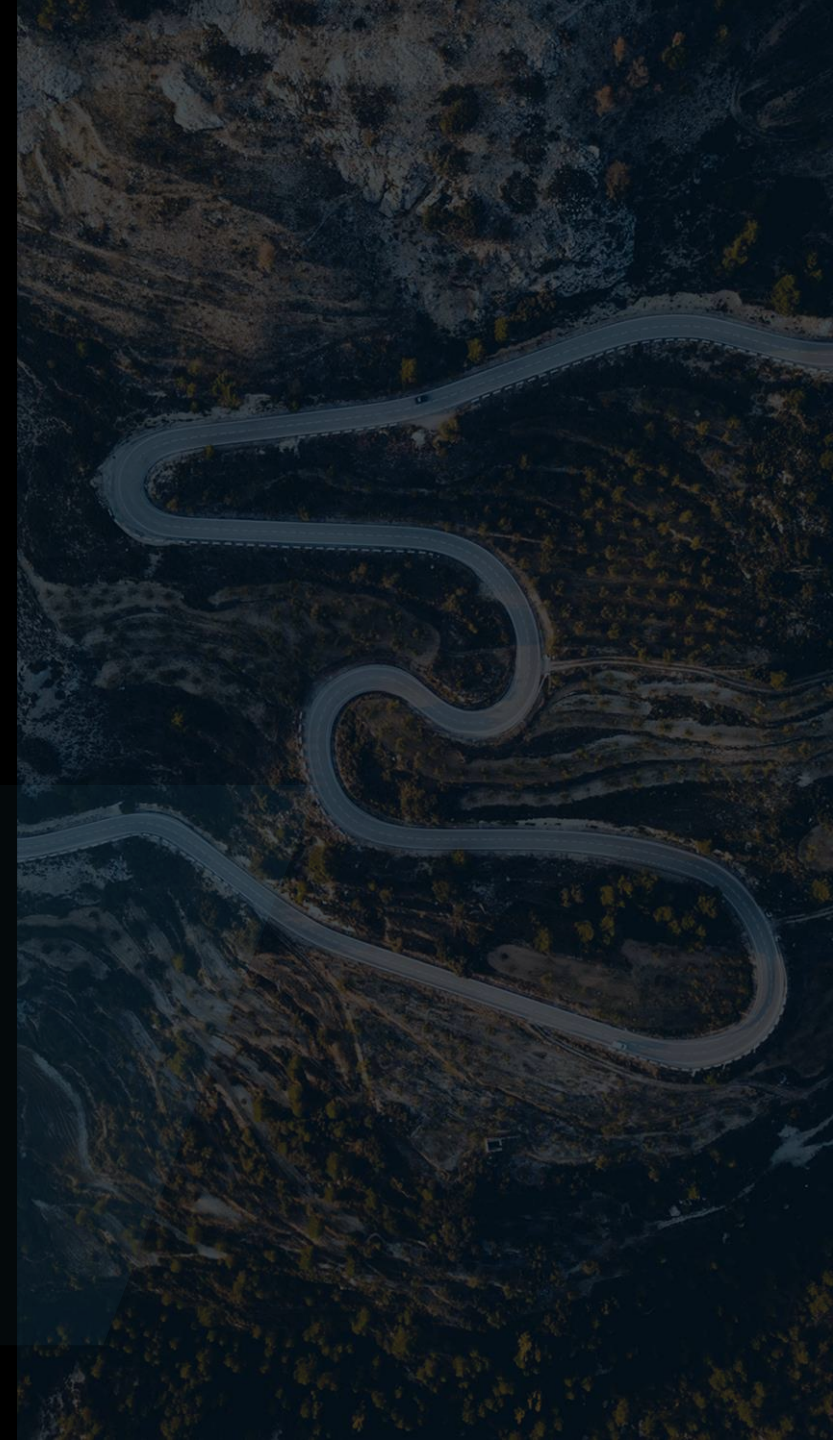
What we've done throughout our DevOps journey

Changed our definition of done

We rely on the Idea to Data (I2D) method, which involves updating our key performance indicators (KPIs) and collecting telemetry to continually measure the value our products bring customers.

Adopted a production-first mindset

Engineering teams own the entire lifecycle of a feature, from inception through operation. As issues or incidents arise, engineering teams are responsible for owning the customer response.



What we've done throughout our DevOps journey (cont'd)

Changed how we collaborate, develop, and deliver

We restructure to extend the management lifecycle for developers beyond version release. We teach the people who build solutions to be responsible for the operation, fixes, troubleshooting and ownership of each line of code they write.

Enhanced security from dev to production

We use zero-trust as a model to help protect our infrastructure through enforced device health, strong authentication, least-privileged access, and pervasive telemetry that verifies control effectiveness.

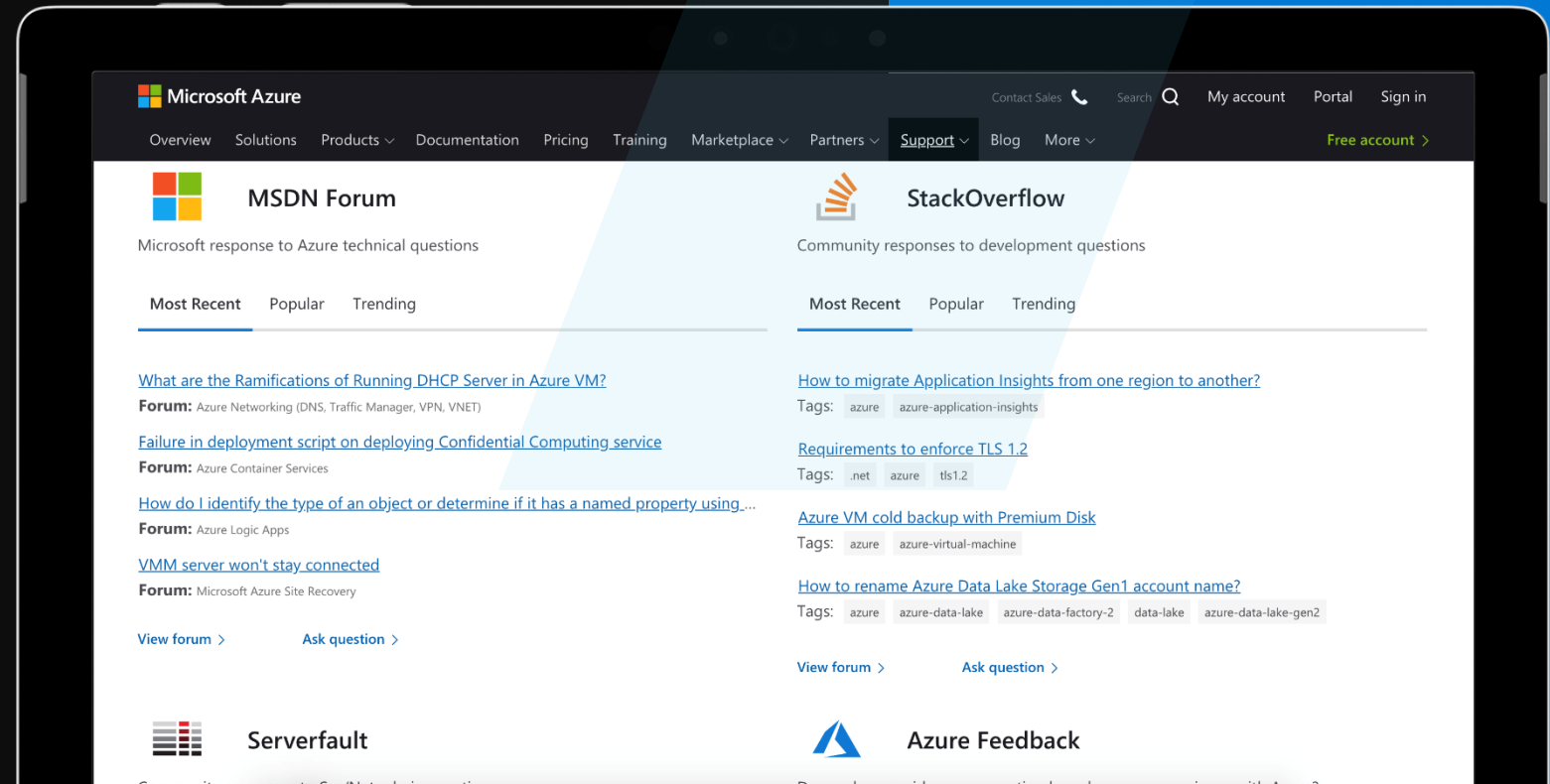
Change your definition of done

Take a zero-distance approach by listening to your customers

Gathering customer feedback early and often is key to building empathy between engineers and customers.

Forums and social

Automatically feed data into the work item tracking system



Change your definition of done

Eliminate unhelpful KPIs

Here are a list of things we don't watch:



Original estimate



Completed hours



Lines of code



Team capacity



Team burndown



Team velocity



of bugs found



% code coverage

Change your definition of done

Change what you track

Focus on measuring only the most critical and impactful KPIs:

Customer usage

How much value are users getting?

- Acquisition
- Retention
- Engagement
- Satisfaction (NPS)
- Feature usage

Pipeline throughput

How efficient is the DevOps process?

- Time to build
- Time to test
- Time to deploy
- Time to improve
- Failed and flaky automation

Live site health

How quickly can you detect and fix issues?

- Time to detect, time to communicate, time to mitigate
- Customer impact, customer support metrics
- Incident prevention items
- Aging live site problems
- SLA per customer

Adopt a product-centric mindset

Measure and improve

Incident response by month

- Availability (per customer)
- Automated detection
- Time to detect
- Time to mitigate

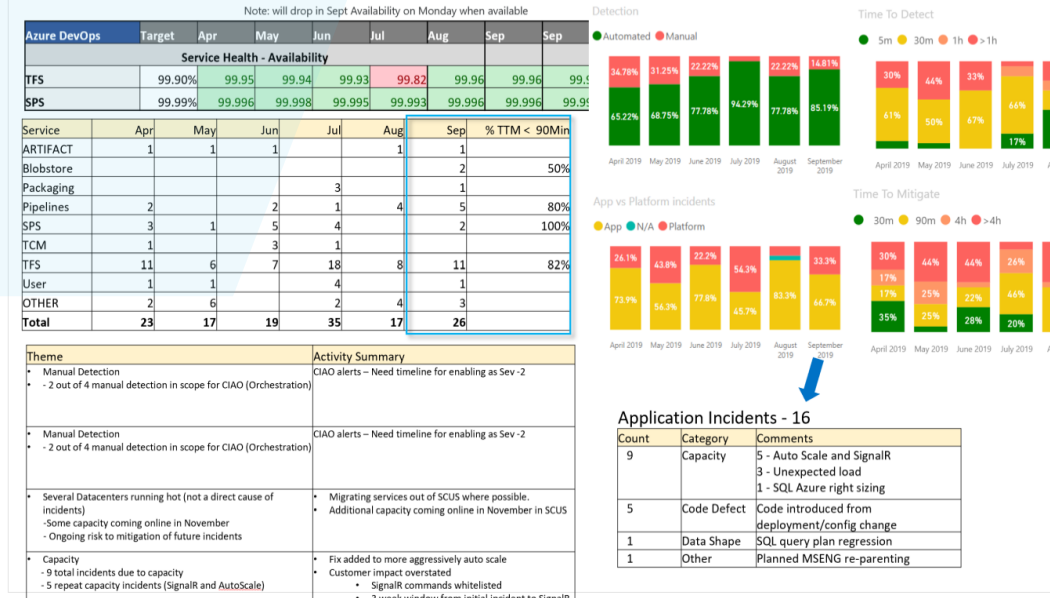
Every incident that affected users

- Identify patterns
- Ensure remediation

All customer support inquiries

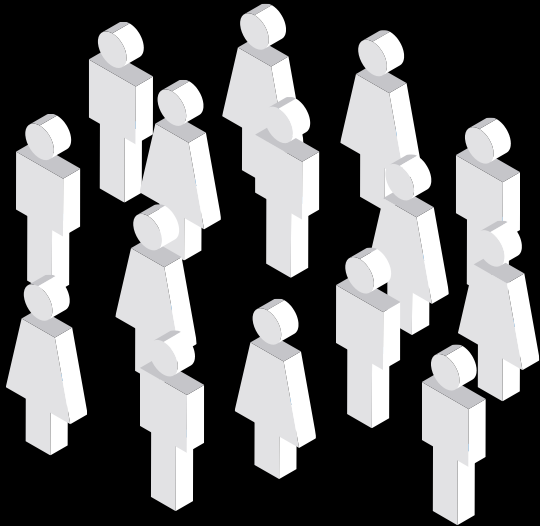
Cost of operation

Health: Service Availability & Health Metrics

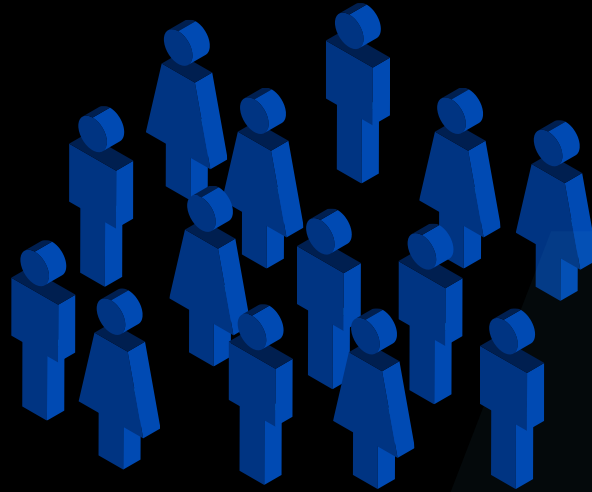


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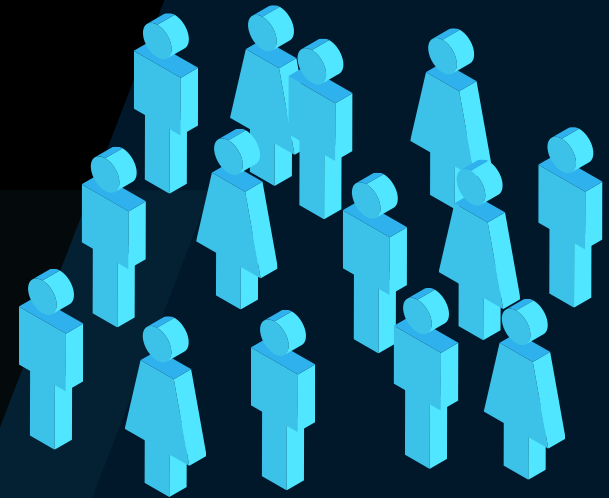
Evolve the organization



Program
management



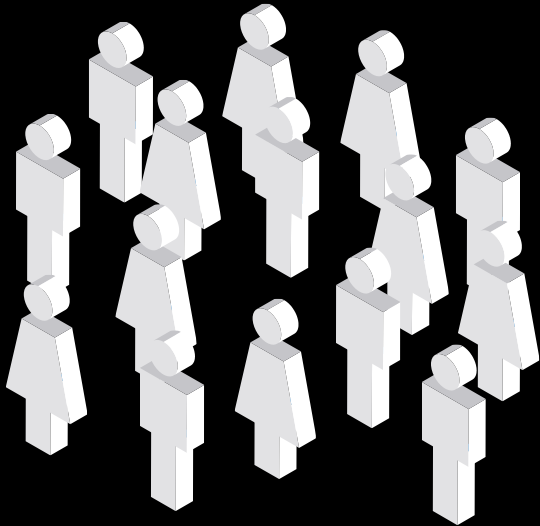
Development



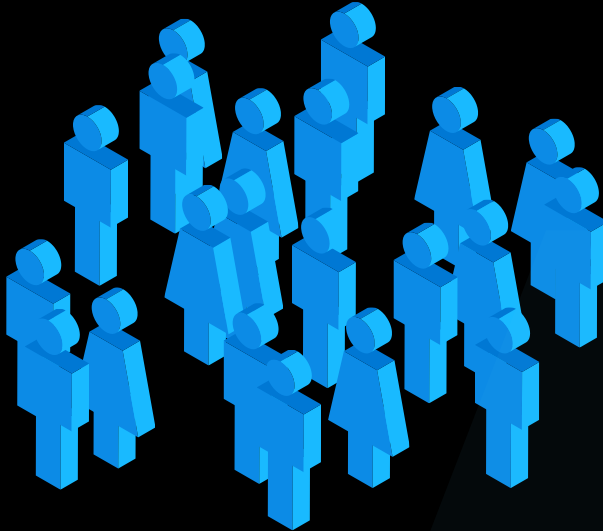
Testing

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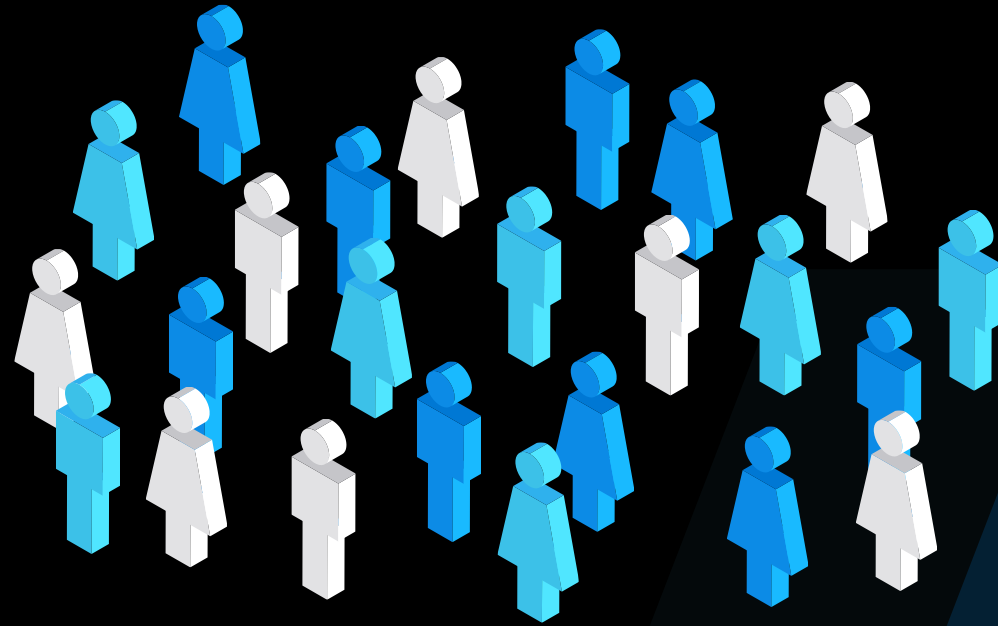
Engineering



Ops/SRE

Adopt a product-centric mindset

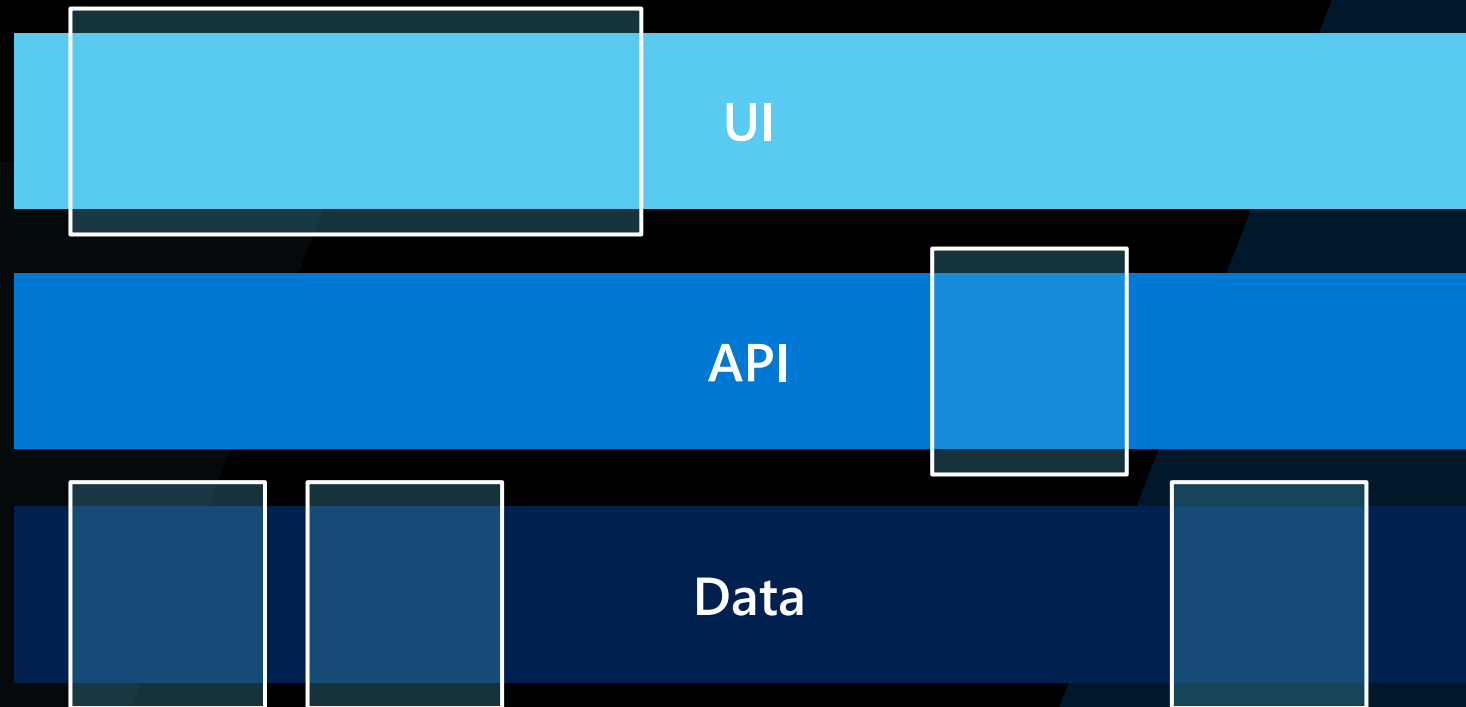
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Feature team

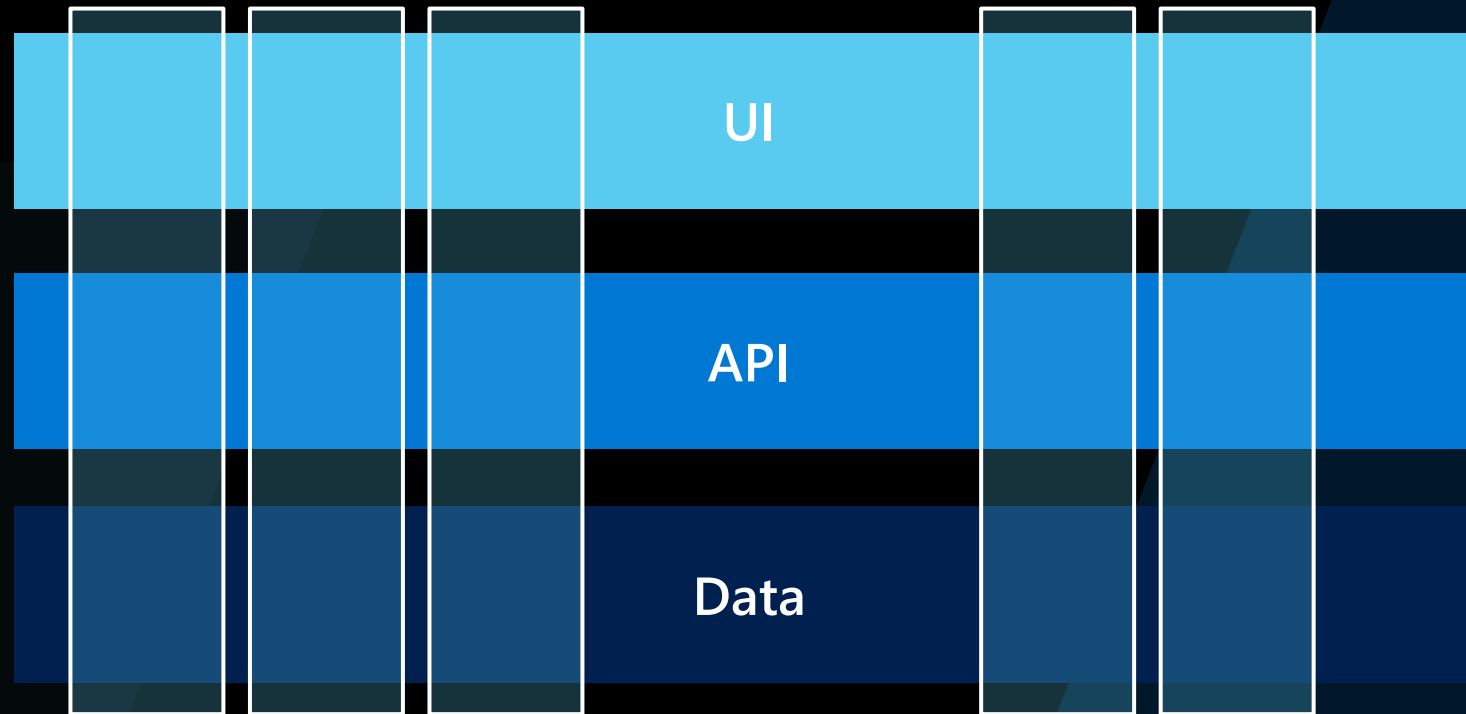
Adopt a product-centric mindset

Instead of horizontal...



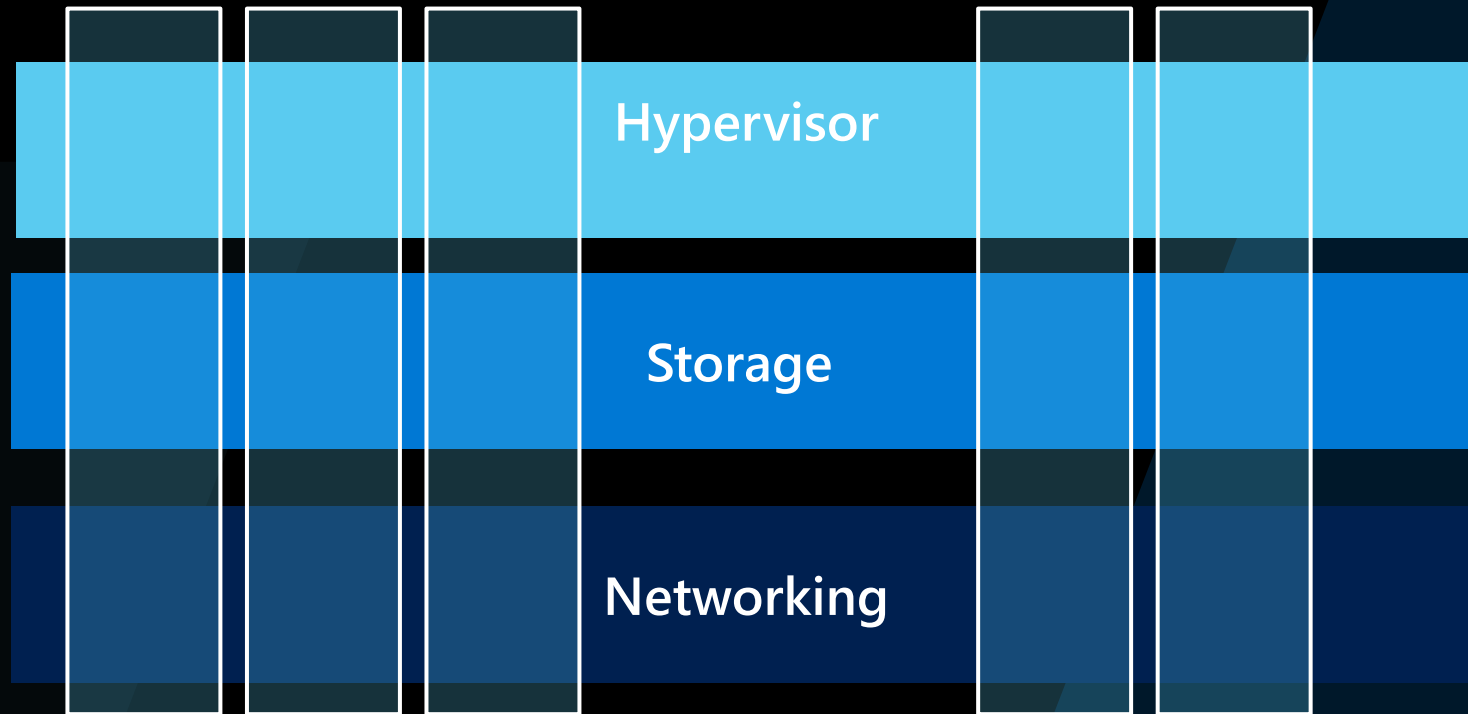
Adopt a product-centric mindset

We strive for vertical



Adopt a product-centric mindset

Strive for vertical operations



Adopt a product-centric mindset

Evolution of full-stack teams

Physical team rooms (augmenting remote workers)

Cross discipline

1 Engineering Lead + 1 Product Owner

10–12 engineers

Self managing

Clear charter and goals based on OKR's

Intact for 12–18 months

Own features in production

Own deployment of features



Pillars of Modern Operations

Operability

Observability

Reliability

Capacity

Change Management

Incident Response

You Get What You Measure

(Don't Measure What You Don't Want)

The Time Thieves



Unknown
dependencies



Too much work
(WIP)



Conflicting
Priorities



Unplanned
work



Neglected
work

Reducing Manual Intervention in Production



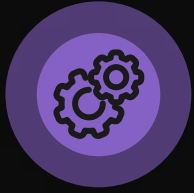
Move manual, repetitive tasks to automation



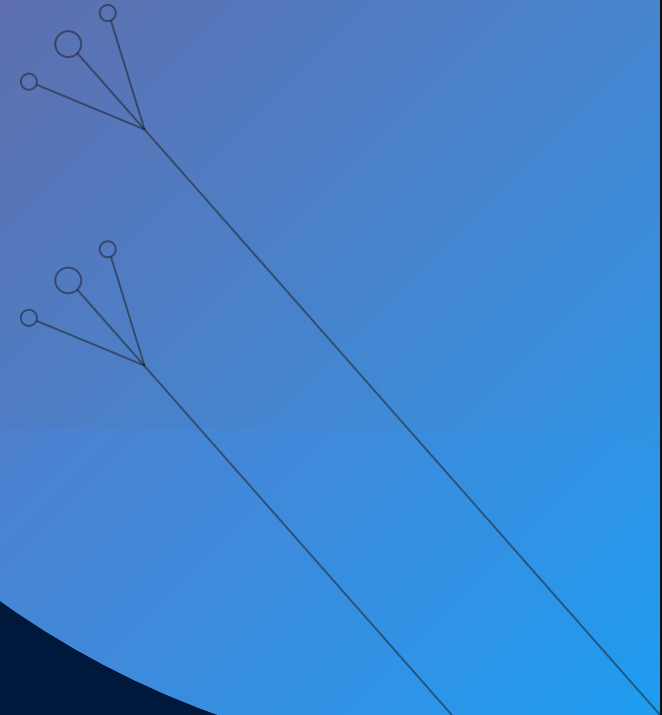
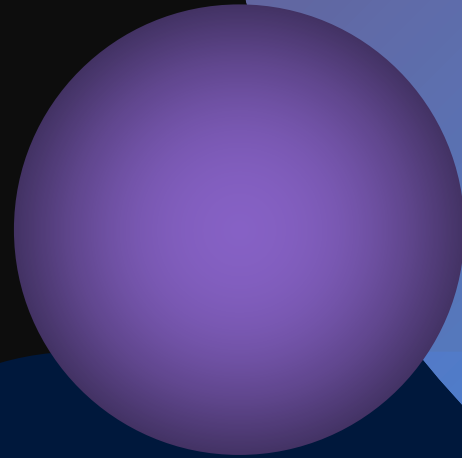
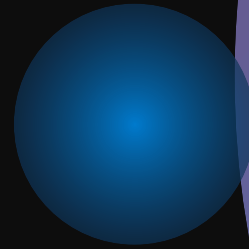
Minimize long term user principal role assignments



Use a central secret store

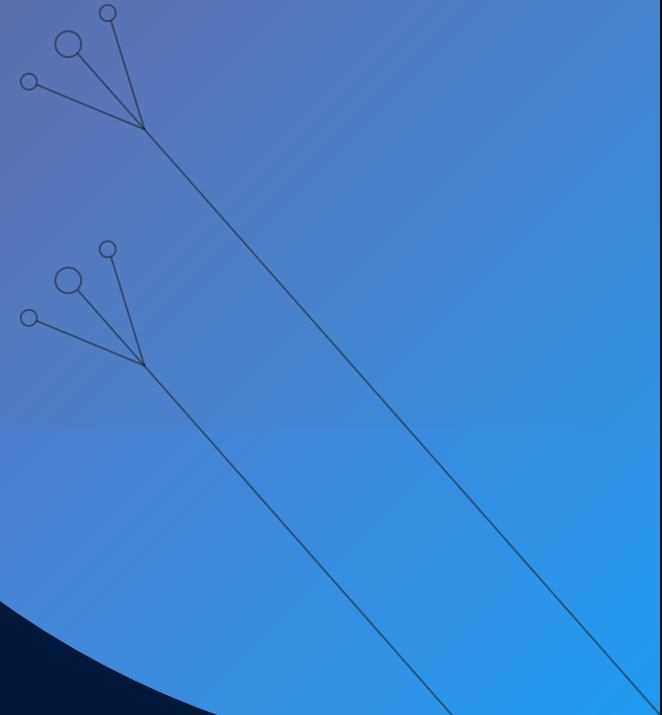
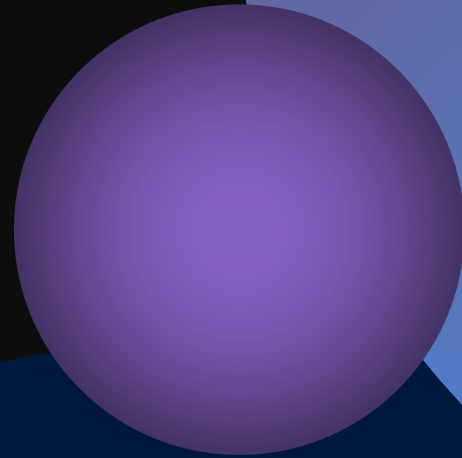
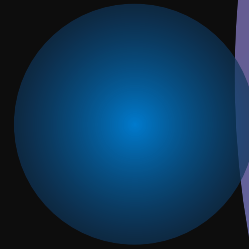


Automation to the rescue!





Tooling over Tasks



Source Control

Introduction to Git and GitHub

What is Source Control and Why do we Need it?



A form of version control



Uses concept of code repositories



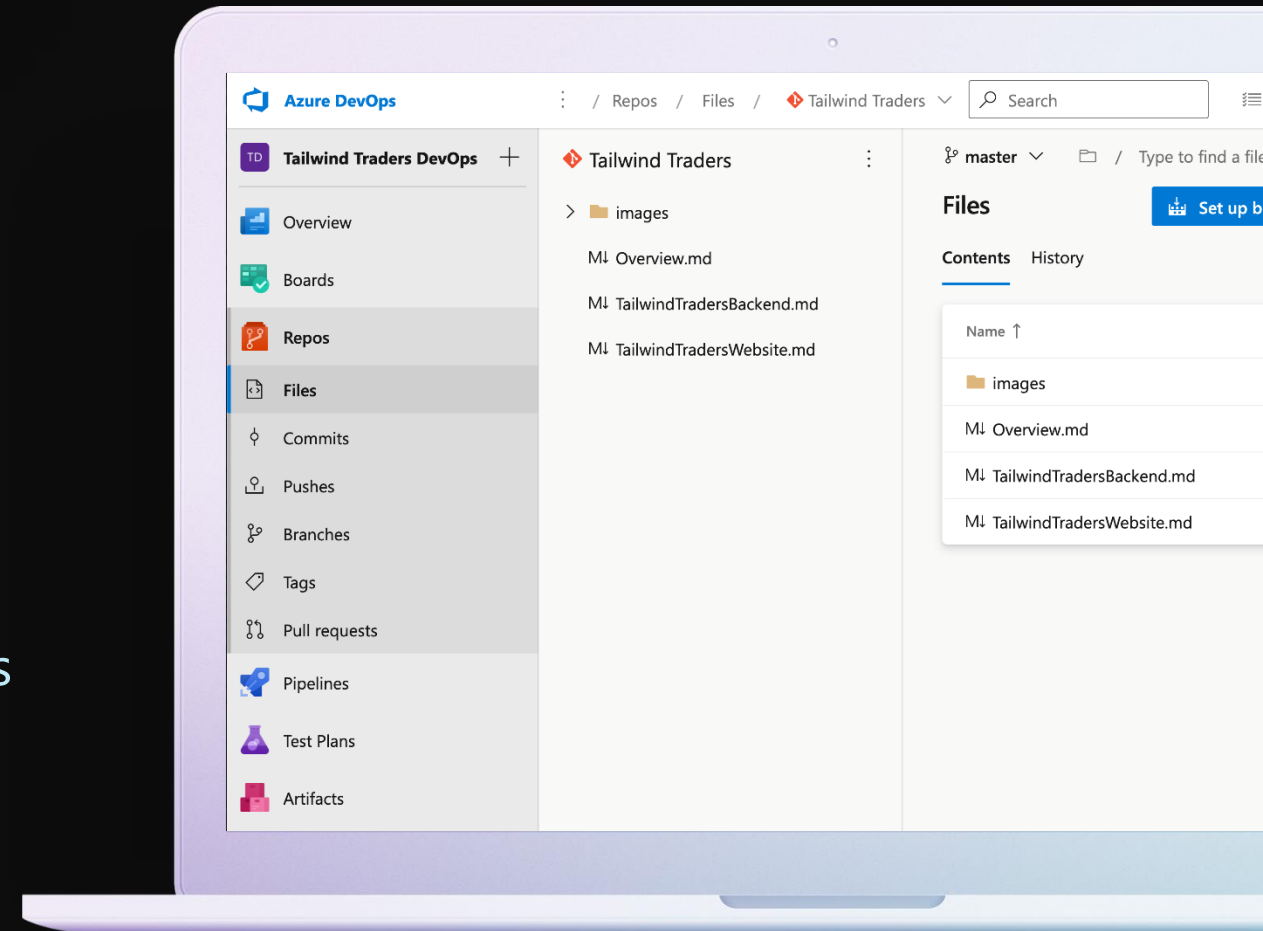
Tracks changes made within repositories



Allows for cross-team collaboration



GitHub





GitHub

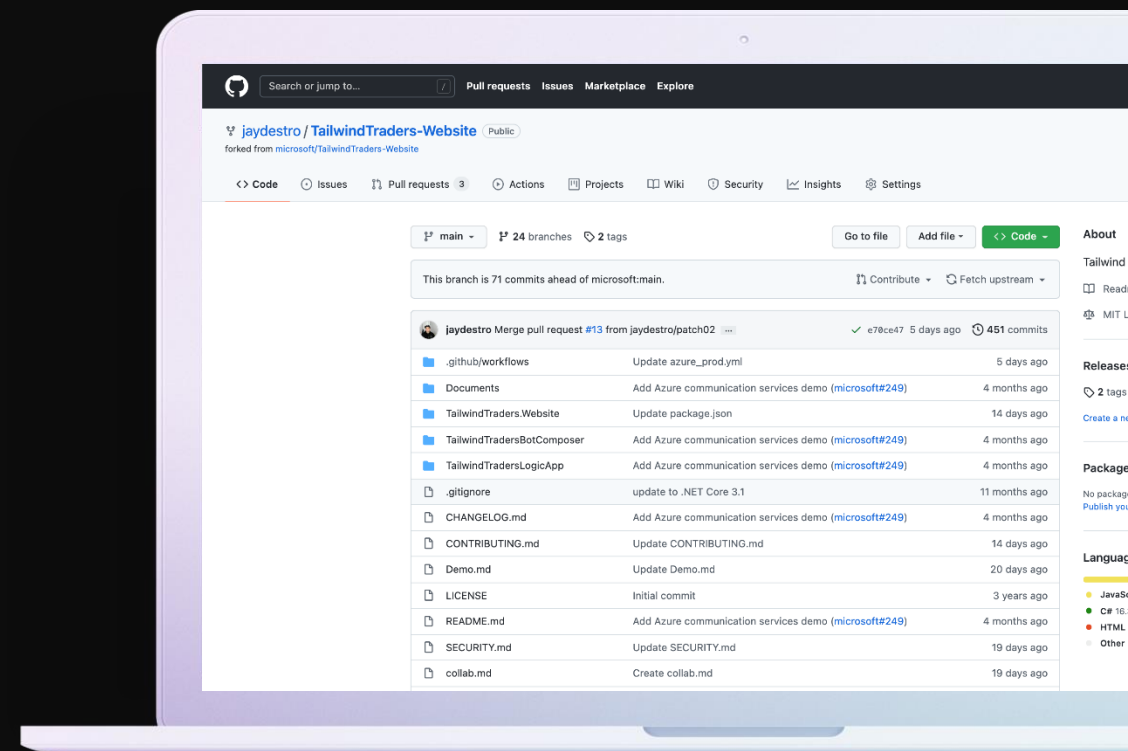
The largest developer community on the planet



What is GitHub?

GitHub is the leader in Git repository hosting. Some key features of GitHub

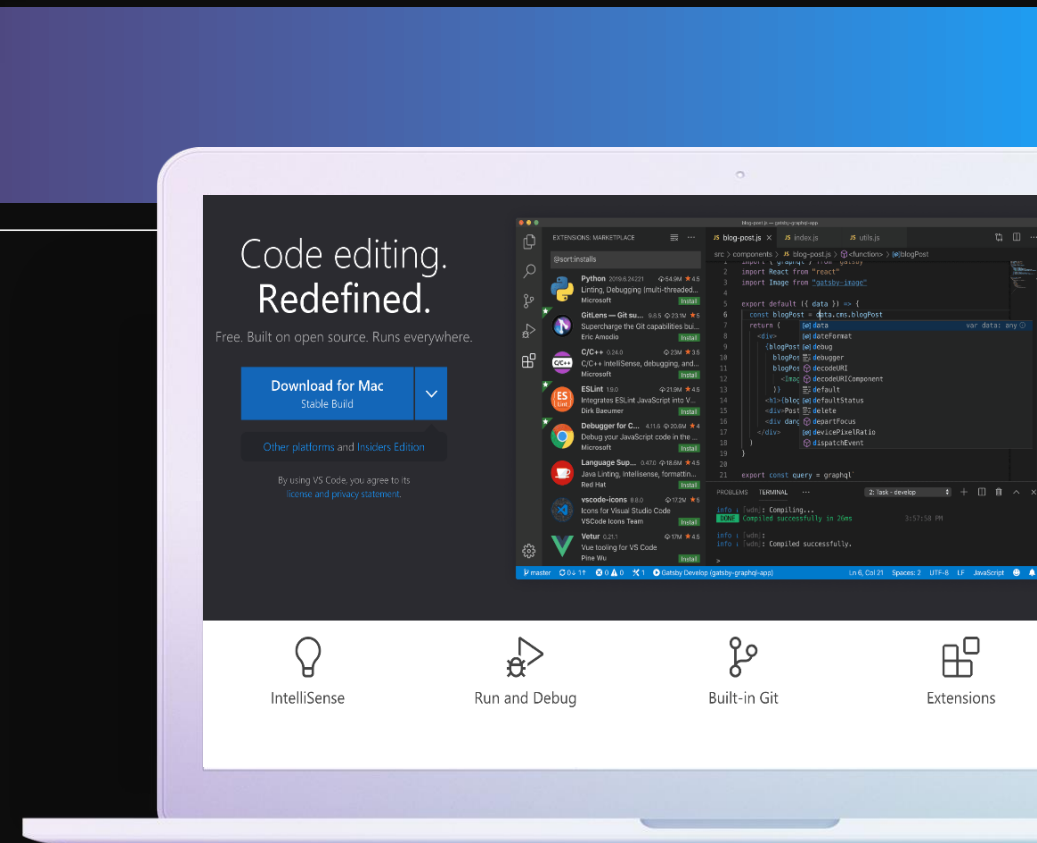
- Expertise sharing
- Cross-team collaboration
- Improved code reuse
- Codespaces on GitHub
- GitHub Actions (CI/CD)
- Increased velocity



What is Visual Studio Code?

Visual Studio Code is a lightweight and powerful source code editor.

- Run anywhere (Mac, Win, Lin)
- Git commands built-in
- Extensible and customizable
- IntelliSense syntax highlights
- Easily debug code
- Open Source
- Free!



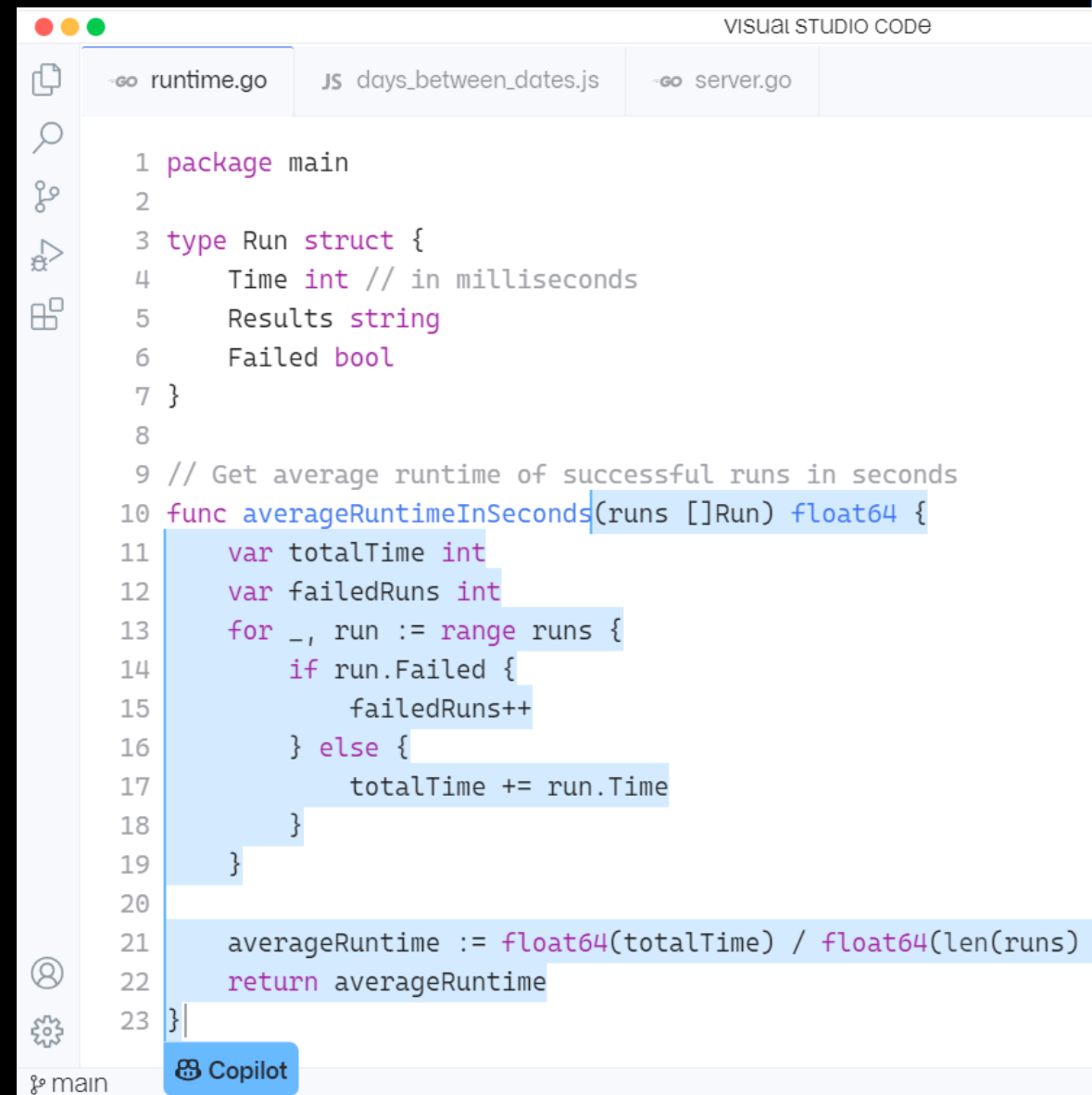
GitHub Copilot

Your AI pair programmer

What is GitHub Copilot?

Convert comments to code.

Tests without the toil.



```
1 package main
2
3 type Run struct {
4     Time int // in milliseconds
5     Results string
6     Failed bool
7 }
8
9 // Get average runtime of successful runs in seconds
10 func averageRuntimeInSeconds(runs []Run) float64 {
11     var totalTime int
12     var failedRuns int
13     for _, run := range runs {
14         if run.Failed {
15             failedRuns++
16         } else {
17             totalTime += run.Time
18         }
19     }
20
21     averageRuntime := float64(totalTime) / float64(len(runs))
22     return averageRuntime
23 }
```

main Copilot



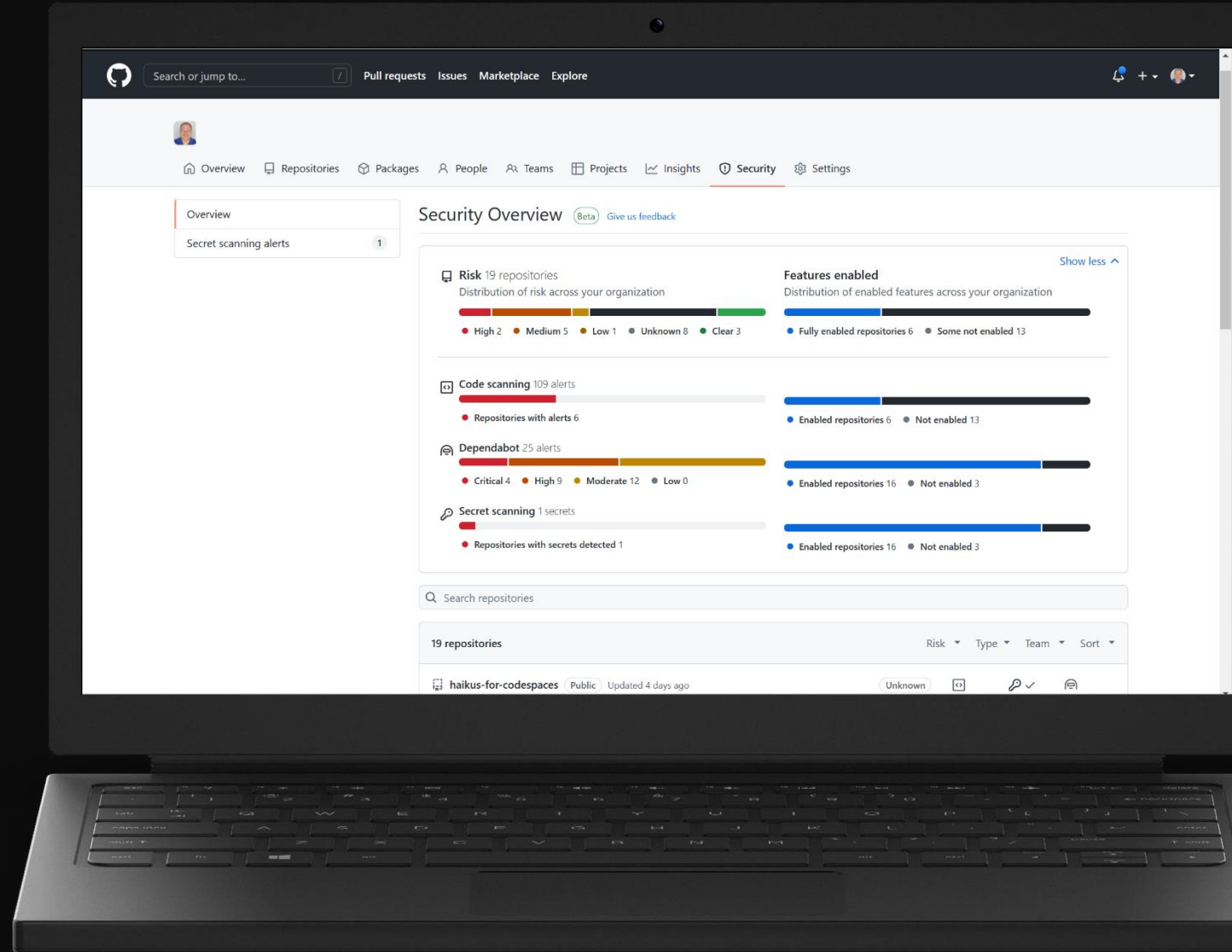
Code security

Secure the software supply chain

Secure the usage of open source

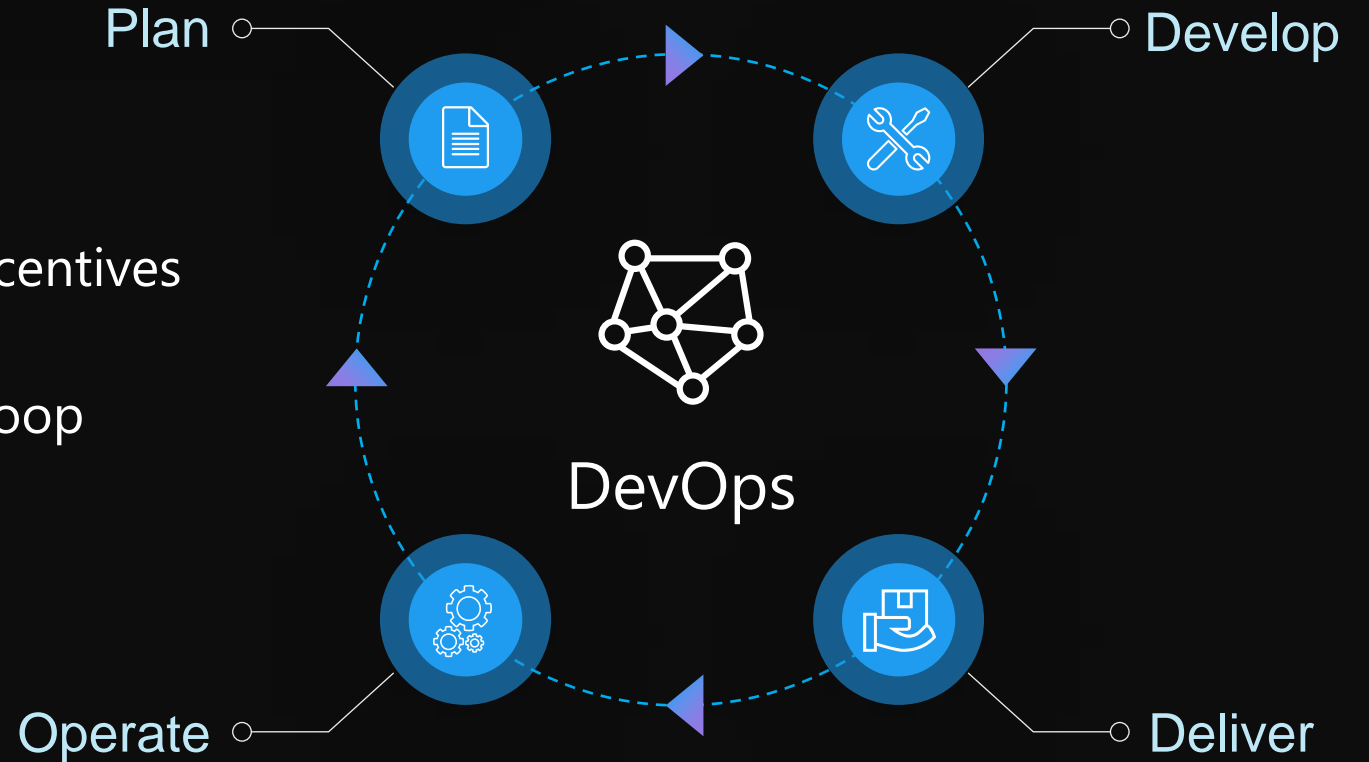
Code Scanning

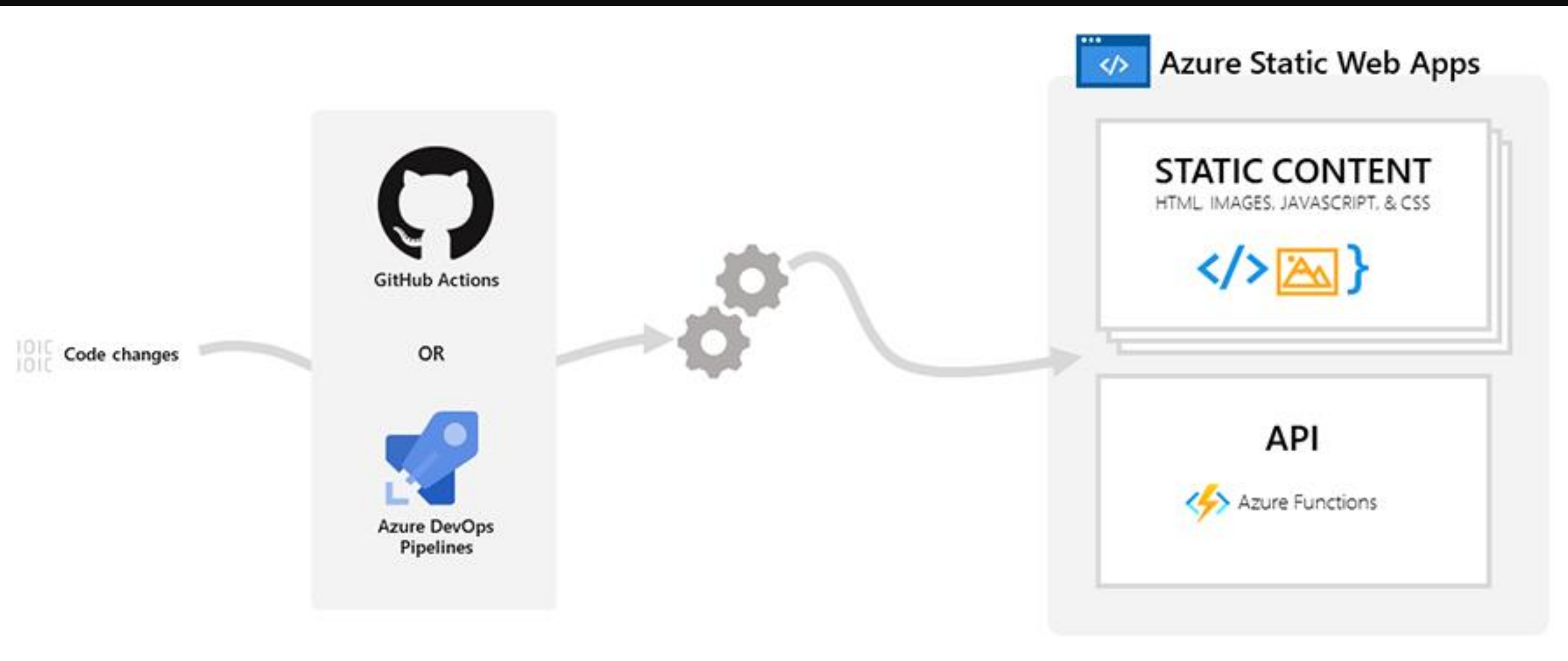
Secret Scanning



What does this all mean?

- Deliver value
 - Increasing efficiency
 - Alignment of Goals and Incentives
 - Streamline the feedback loop
 - Continuously improve
 - Deliver faster
 - Autonomy





Resources

The DevOps Lab: aka.ms/TheDevOpsLab

Microsoft Learn: aka.ms/MSLearnUK

DevOps Blog: aka.ms/devopsblog

NubesGen: Nubesgen.com

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