

# DevOps, SRE, and other Buzzwords

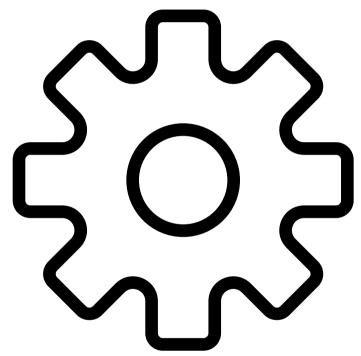
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# What does a sysadmin do?

## Configure



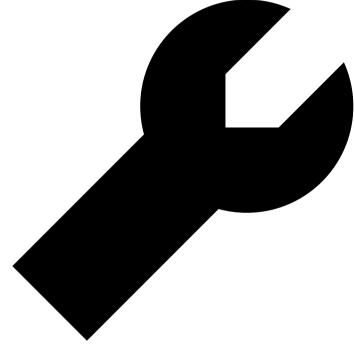
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### Operate



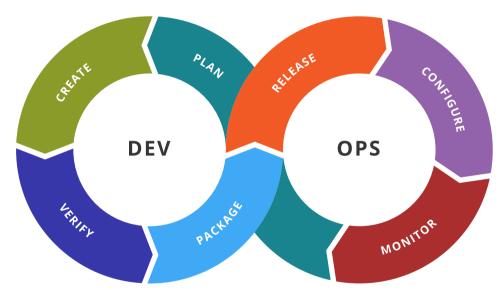
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#### Maintain



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## **DevOps Patterns**

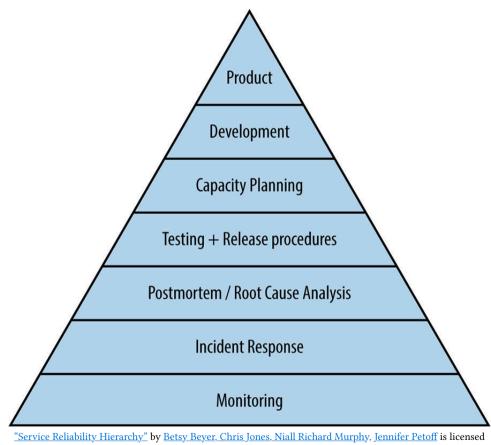


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- Hardware in the cloud
- Everything is code
- "YAML engineers"
- Devs doing sysadmin or sysadmins doing dev?

# Site Reliability Engineering (SRE)

- Change management
- Automation
- CI/CD Pipelines
- Testing
- "Treat operations as if it's a software problem." - Google



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## Is the Sysadmin Dead?



- Nope, they're just coding more
- Expertise in uptime and hardware optimization helps solve software problems
- An empowered sysadmin can do more, much more
- Experience matters

### What does it all mean?



- Failure is an option!
- A whole lot of virtualization
- Continuous deployment is expected
- Rapid (automated) response
- Downtime for maintenance is passe
- Make it run on anything
- Automate, automate!
- Save configurations, not images

# What solutions are we using now?

Ansible Terraform Chef/Puppet Function as a Service

LXC K8s Podman Platform as a Service Heroku

Fly.io

Railway.app

**Self-Hosted AI** 

**Containers** 

Reproducible Systems **NixOS GUIX** 

**Automation Tools** 

AWS Lambda Google Cloud Functions **Azure Functions Hybrid Cloud** OpenStack, K8s, etc.

Any big IaaS

VMs

Amazon EC2

Digital Ocean

Linode

Immutable Linux ChromeOS Vanilla OS

**Endless OS** 

## How do we keep up?

- We've talked about and used lots of tools, but they aren't the only ones
- Concepts > Use Instances
- Read, share, contribute
- Learn from past mistakes
- Don't believe the hype. Think for yourself!
- Argue and learn
- Insular sysadmin culture is dead
- My personal thoughts on the future: distributed, decentralized, federated, mesh