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DevOps

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Description

We're looking for highly motivated DevOps Engineer. Join us in building best in class solutions and implementing sophisticated software applications.

At Apple, we support both open source and home-grown technologies to provide internal Apple developers with the best possible CI/CD solutions.

In this role you will have the unique opportunity to own and improve tooling for best of the class large-scale platform solutions to help build modern software systems!

Preferred Qualifications

Experience in Infrastructure as Code (IaC) using tools like Terraform, AWS CloudFormation, or Ansible. Expertise in Kubernetes cluster management.

Good knowledge of incident management processes, including alert tuning, runbook automation, and post-incident reviews.

Exposure to security automation and DevSecOps practices.

Experience managing high-availability systems and disaster recovery setups.

Understanding of networking concepts, security best practices, and access management.

Minimum Qualifications

Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, Information Technology, or a related field.

Strong experience in DevOps, Site Reliability Engineering, or Cloud Infrastructure roles.

Strong hands-on experience with scripting languages such as Python, Bash, Shell etc.

Good understanding of CI/CD pipelines and Deployment automations.

Experience with containerization and orchestration (e.g., Docker, Kubernetes).

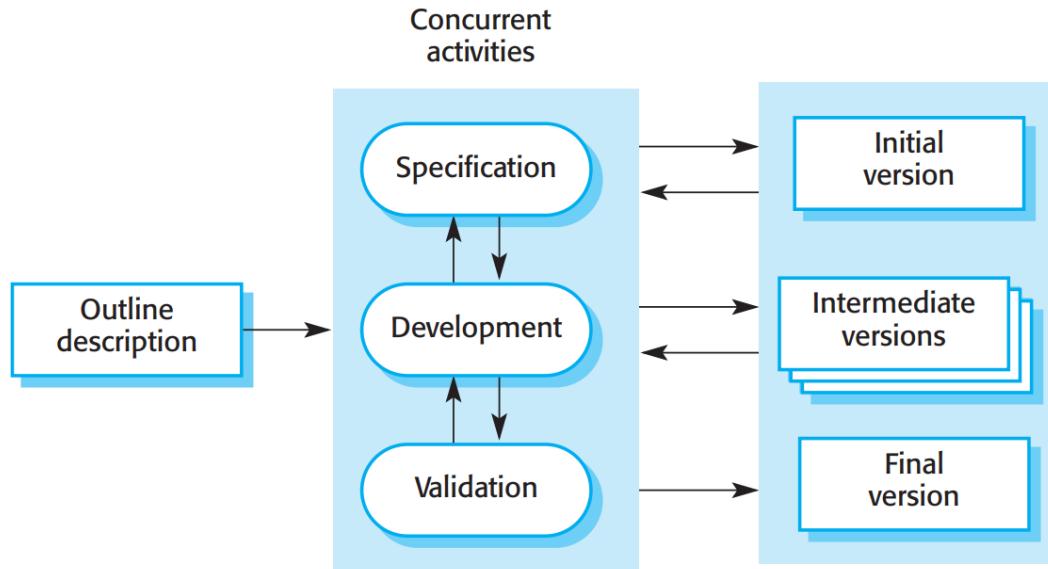
Familiarity with monitoring, alerting, and logging tools.

Experience working with multi-cloud or hybrid environments (AWS, GCP, AliCloud)

Experience of working with development and platform teams to optimise application reliability, resource utilisation, and delivery workflows.

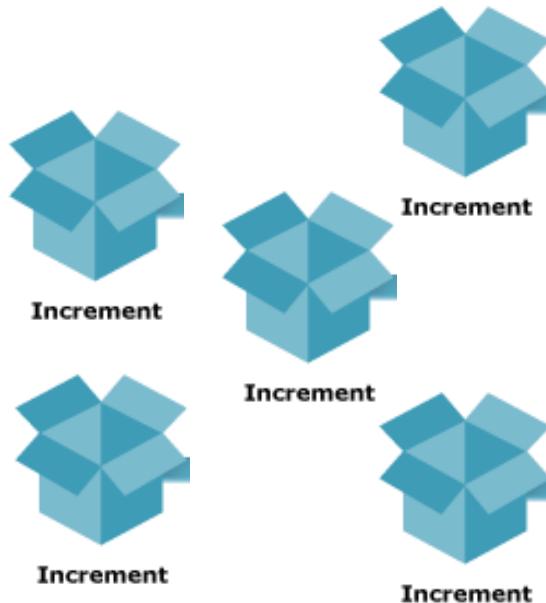
Strong troubleshooting and problem-solving skills.

Incremental Development



Modern software process models often develop software in increments

Increments and Ops



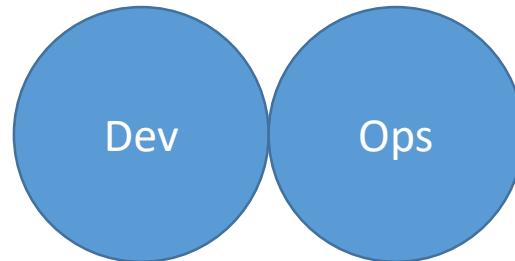
Development/Scrum team



Operations team

Silos

- Developers and Operations were traditionally separate (“siloed”)
- Developers: responsible for creating increments/value
- Operations: managing and maintaining IT infrastructure
- Interests can be conflicting!



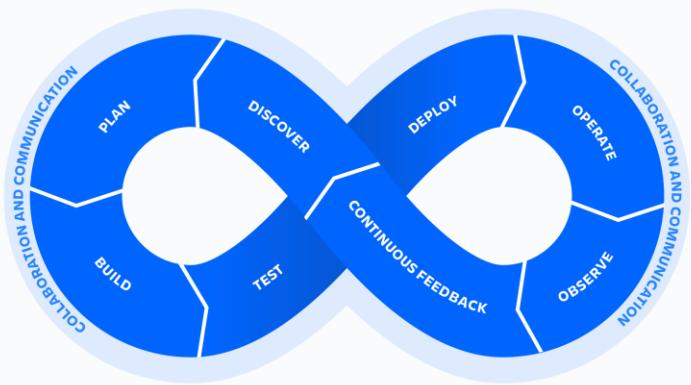
DevOps

- **DevOps**: combines the terms *Development* and *Operations*
- Typically associated with a mindset, practices, and tools
- Idea: the **whole organization** (including development and operation teams) **work together** to deliver value
 - In particular, Development and Operations
- Make production **deployments routine and predictable**

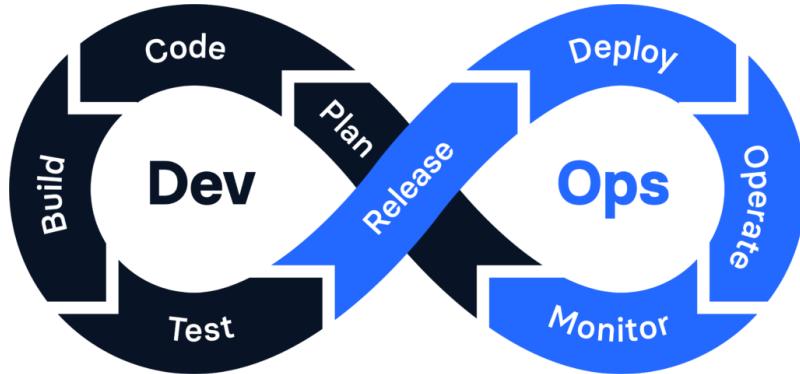
DevOps vs. Agile

- Many parallels with agile and lean software engineering
- Often seen as a logical continuation of agile software development
- Also parallels to Lean and TPS

DevOps



<https://www.atlassian.com/devops>



<https://ubiqware.net/en/our-approach-to-devops/>

Principle: Flow

- DevOps emphasizes the concept of *flow*, similar to its notion in the TPS
- Reduce batch sizes: small batch sizes can be delivered more quickly
- Reduce the number of handoffs: passing work between departments and teams increases time to deployment
- Continually identify and eliminate constraints and waste

Principle: Feedback Loops

- Insight: failure and issues cannot be prevented for complex systems
- Feedback and feedforward loops to detect problems and address them while they are smaller, cheaper, and easier to fix
- Fast and constant feedback from all stages of the value stream
- Automatic build, integration, and test processes to obtain immediate feedback
- Propagate new knowledge across the team/company
- Find and fix problems where the work is performed

Principle: Continuous Learning and Experimentation

- Require and actively promote learning
- Instead of work being rigidly defined, it is dynamic
- Performing experiments to generate new improvements enabled by standardization of work procedures and documentation of the results
- Mechanism so that new local learnings are propagated to the rest of the organization

DevOps Research and Assessment (DORA) Key Metrics



Change lead time:
the time it takes for a code commit or change to be successfully deployed to production.



Deployment frequency:
how often application changes are deployed to production.



Change fail rate:
the percentage of deployments that cause failures in production,¹ requiring hotfixes or rollbacks.



Failed deployment recovery time:
the time it takes to recover from a failed deployment.

DORA: Performance Levels

Performance level	Change lead time	Deployment frequency	Change fail rate	Failed deployment recovery time	Percentage of respondents*
Elite	Less than one day	On demand (multiple deploys per day)	5%	Less than one hour	19% (18-20%)
High	Between one day and one week	Between once per day and once per week	20%	Less than one day	22% (21-23%)
Medium	Between one week and one month	Between once per week and once per month	10%	Less than one day	35% (33-36%)
Low	Between one month and six months	Between once per month and once every six months	40%	Between one week and one month	25% (23-26%)

*89% uncertainty interval

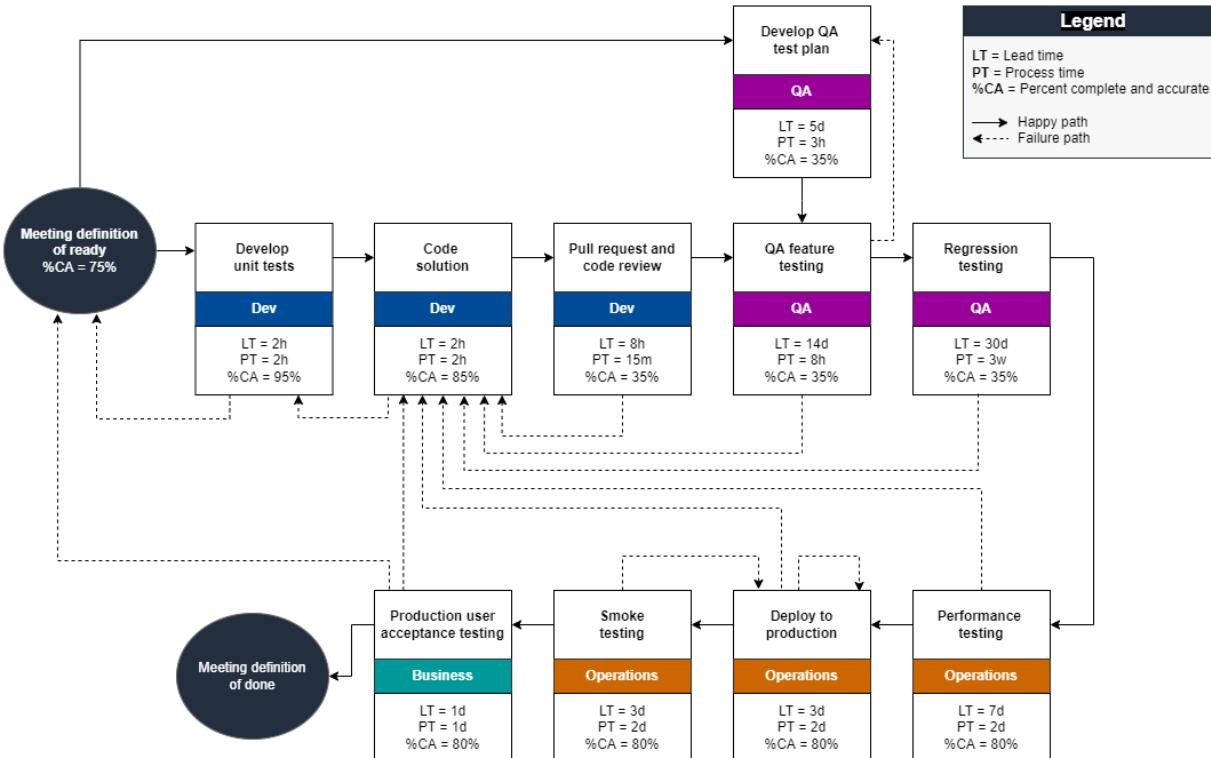
Observability and Monitoring

- To measure the DORA metrics or other metrics, monitoring of run code and infrastructure
- Use metrics and insights to improve the value stream

Value Stream Mapping

- Value Stream Management: sequence of activities to deliver value; makes the flow of actions to deliver value visible
- Value Stream Mapping: identify and analyze value streams aiming to reduce or eliminate inefficiencies

Development Value Stream Map (DVSM)



Continuous Integration and Deployment

- Continuous Integration and Continuous Deployment (CI/CD): frequently integrate changes, test them, and automatically deploy them
 - Requires automated tests
- Automated way to push changes to production!

Infrastructure as Code

- Infrastructure as Code: configuration of the server infrastructure should be treated similar to code
- Configuration files or scripts
- Applying best practices such as version control and CI/CD

Infrastructure as Code



Pulumi

```
import * as mysql from '@pulumi/mysql';
import * as pulumi from '@pulumi/pulumi';

const config = new pulumi.Config();
const jdoePassword = config.requireSecret('jdoePassword');

const database = new mysql.Database('sample', {
    name: 'sample',
});

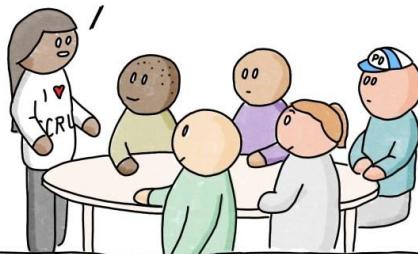
const user = new mysql.User('jdoe', {
    user: 'jdoe',
    // Since the password is a Pulumi Secret, it will be encrypted and not stored in plaintext
    plaintextPassword: jdoePassword,
});

new mysql.Grant('jdoe', {
    user: user.user,
    host: user.host,
    database: database.name,
    privileges: ['SELECT', 'UPDATE'],
});
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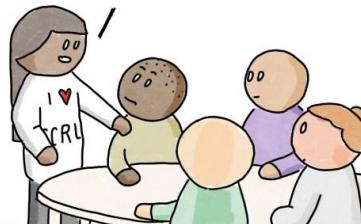
Learning from Incidents: Blameless Postmortems

Comic Agilé —

After the challenges with our latest release, I want us to have a blameless post-mortem session now.

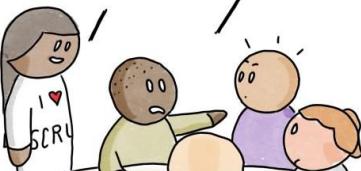


The purpose is to review and learn from the incidents that lead to our last release being late. Bob, what're your thoughts on the reasons for this?

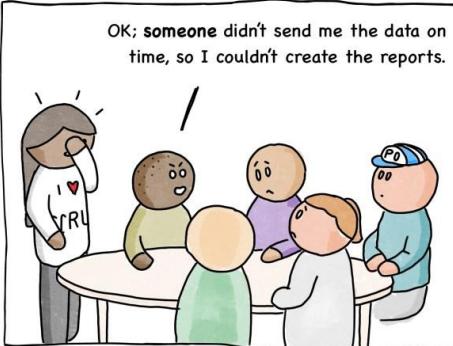


David didn't send me the data on time, so I couldn't create the reports.

Bob, please remember that, in the blameless post-mortem, we don't point fingers at specific people. Try again with other words.



OK; **someone** didn't send me the data on time, so I couldn't create the reports.



Summary and Important Points

- Challenge: how to put increments into production? The challenge of silos.
- DevOps: The whole organization works together to deliver value, in particular, development and operation teams.
- Key principles such as flow, feedback, and continuous learning and improvement.
- Making DevOps measurable through DORA (change lead time, deployment frequency, change fail rate, failed deployment recovery time)
- Key practices, such as monitoring, infrastructure as code, and learning from incidents

“10+ Deploys per Day: Dev and Ops Cooperation at Flickr” (2009)



Velocity 09: John Allspaw and Paul Hammond, "10+ Deploys Pe

The DevOps Handbook

