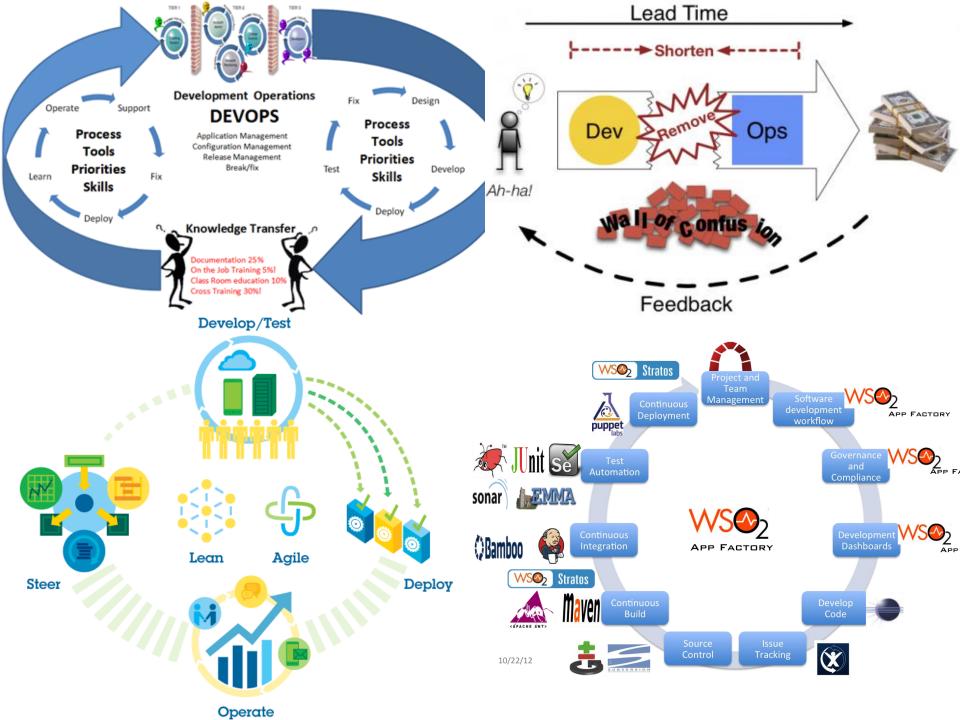
# DevOps

### **Questions I Will Answer Today**

- What Is DevOps?
- What Problems Will DevOps Help Me Solve?
- How Do I Get Started?
- What Mistakes Can I Avoid?

## Who Am I?





### The Problem In A Nutshell

- Everything needs software.
- Software runs on a server to become a service.
- Delivering a service from inception to its users is too slow and error-prone.
- There are internal friction points that make this the case.
- This loses you money. (Delay = loss)
- Therefore IT is frequently the bottleneck in the transition of "concept to cash."

### **Symptoms**

- Defects released into production, causing outage
- Inability to diagnose production issues quickly
- Problems appear in some environments only
- Blame shifting/finger pointing
- Long delays while dev, QA, or another team waits on resource or response from other teams
- "Manual error" is a commonly cited root cause
- Releases slip/fail
- Quality of life issues in IT

### Why Does This Problem Exist?

- "Business-IT Alignment?"
- The business has demanded the wrong things out of IT
  - Cost sensitive
  - Risk averse
- IT has metastasized over time into a form to give the business what it's said it wants
  - Centralized and monolithic
  - Slow and penny wise, pound foolish

### **But Then We Demanded Innovation**



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### **DevOps History In 60 Seconds**

- ITIL, ITSM, ESM, etc. underdeliver in IT from 1989 on
- Agile comes to the developer world in 2001
- Lean comes to the developer world in 2003 (more slowly)
- O'Reilly Radar "Operations: The New Secret Sauce" in 2006
- Agile Infrastructure discussions start in Europe circa 2007
- Patrick Debois and Andrew Schafer meet up at Agile 2008
- O'Reilly Velocity Conference starts 2008
- Velocity 2009, seminal John Allspaw "10+ Deploys Per Day: Dev and Ops Cooperation" presentation
- Patrick Debois and Kris Buytaert put together first DevOpsDays in Ghent in 2009. Many more follow
- Lean influences enter DevOps via startup culture
- Large companies start branding DevOps "solutions"

### Where Do I Start?



### **DevOps Concepts**

**DevOps Principles** 

**DevOps Practices** 

DevOps Tools

### **DevOps Principles**

- The Three Ways
  - Systems Thinking
  - Amplify Feedback Loops
  - Culture of Continual Experimentation

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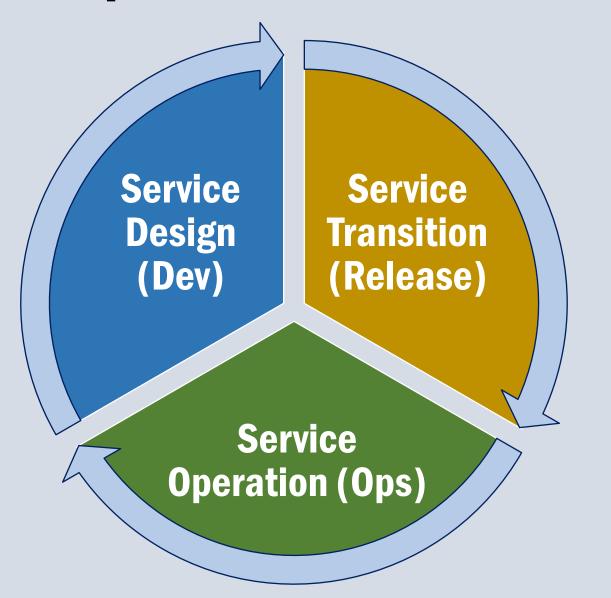
- Culture People > Process > Tools
- Automation Infrastructure as Code
- Measurement Measure Everything
- Sharing Collaboration/Feedback
- Informed by the values in the Agile
  Manifesto and Lean Theory of Constraints

### **DevOps Practices**

- Version Control For All
- Automated Testing
- Proactive Monitoring and Metrics
- Kanban/Scrum
- Visible Ops/Change Management
- Configuration Management
- Incident Command System
- Continuous Integration/Deployment/Delivery
- "Put Developers On Call"
- Virtualization/Cloud/Containers
- Toolchain Approach
- Transparent Uptime/Incident Retrospectives



### **An Implementation Model**



### **Add Ops Into Dev**

- Enhance Service Design With Operational Knowledge
  - Reliability
  - Performance
  - Security
  - Test Them
- Build Feedback Paths Back from Production
  - Monitoring and metrics
  - Postmortems
- Foster a Culture of Responsibility
  - Whether your code passes test, gets deployed, and stays up for users is your responsibility – not someone else's
- Make Development Better With Ops
  - Productionlike environments
  - Power tooling



### **Accelerate Flow To Production**

- Reduce batch size
- Automated environments mean identical dev/test/prod environments
- Create safety through automation
  - Continuous Integration/Testing
  - Automated Regression Testing
  - Continuous Delivery
  - Continuous Deployment
  - Feature Flags (A/B testing)
  - Security Testing



### **Add Dev Into Ops**

- Don't do tasks for people. Build tools so they can do their own work.
- Monitoring/logging/metrics feeds back into dev (and the business)
- Blameless Incident Postmortems
- Developers Do Production Support/Empower
  Ops Acceptance

### **Grass Roots Checklist**

- Find ways to collaborate involve others early
- Find ways to automate and make self-service
- Become metrics driven
- Learn new things, continually improve
- Understand the larger business goals, metrics, and priorities you support
- Communicate
- Work in parallel with small batches
- Allow refactoring
- Prove the business value to management

### **Management Checklist**

- Experiment choose a test case as a pilot
- Then document and spread best practices
- Empower your teams, but guide their values
- Metrics are your friend demand measurable outcomes
- Don't accept excuses when the old baseline isn't good enough
- Fail fast, continually improve
- Build on small successes to gain broad support for more substantive change.
- Align roles and responsibilities across groups enable collaboration even if it seems "inefficient"

### **Things Not To Do**

- Only Token Gestures
  - "Ops team, change your name to DevOps team!"
  - "Put DevOps in those job titles!"
- Only Implement Tools
  - Changing tools without changing tactics leaves the battlefield strewn with bodies
- Create More Silos
- Devalue Operations Or Development Knowledge
- Anything You're Not Measuring The Impact Of

### **Does It Really Help?**

- 2014 State of DevOps Report (9200 surveyed) measured correlation between high performing organizations and DevOps practice adoption
  - Lead time to changes down
  - MTTR up
  - No alteration in change fail rate

### Core DevOps Research List

- Gene Kim's <u>Visible Ops</u>
- Tom Limoncelli's <u>The Practice Of Cloud System Administration</u>
- Gene Kim's <u>The Phoenix Project</u> (modeled on Goldratt's <u>The Goal</u>)
- Jez Humble's <u>Continuous Delivery</u>
- Michael Nygard's Release It!
- Gene Kim's <u>The DevOps Cookbook</u> (coming soon-ish)
- Various Mary and Tom Poppendieck Lean Software Development Books
- Velocity Conference (velocityconf.com)
- DevOpsDays Unconferences There's one near you! (devopsdays.org)
- DevOps Weekly newsletter (devopsweekly.com)
- DevOps Café Podcast (devopscafe.com)
- The Twelve Factor App (12factor.net)
- The Agile Admin (theagileadmin.com)

