

CHAOS ENGINEERING

THE FINE ART OF BREAKING STUFF IN
PRODUCTION ON PURPOSE



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CLOUD NATIVE ARCHITECT

DEVOPS COACH

FULL CYCLE DEVELOPER





WHY DO WE NEED

CHAOS ENGINEERING ?

11:11 businessinsider.com

BUSINESS INSIDER

Amazon's one hour of downtime on Prime Day may have cost it up to \$100 million in lost sales

Sean Wolfe Jul 19, 2018, 10:53 AM ET



Sean Gallup/Getty Images: An Amazon warehouse.

- **Amazon's website had consistent issues during Prime Day, the website's biggest sale event of the year.**
- **Shoppers had issues connecting to the website for over an hour on Monday, causing many to threaten to cancel their Prime subscription.**

08:48 https://www.datacenterknowledge.com/

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RECENT

Travelers wait in line at the Delta check-in counter at LaGuardia Airport August 8, 2016 in the Queens borough of New York City. Delta flights round the globe were grounded and delayed on Monday morning due to a system outage. (Photo by Drew Angerer/Getty Images)

BUSINESS

Delta: Data Center Outage Cost Us \$150M

Price tag extraordinarily high in comparison to data center industry average

Yevgeniy Sverdlik | Sep 08, 2016

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08:46 https://status.slack.com/2018-06/142ec

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Wednesday June 27 - Wednesday July 11, 2018

Outage

Connectivity issues affecting all workspaces

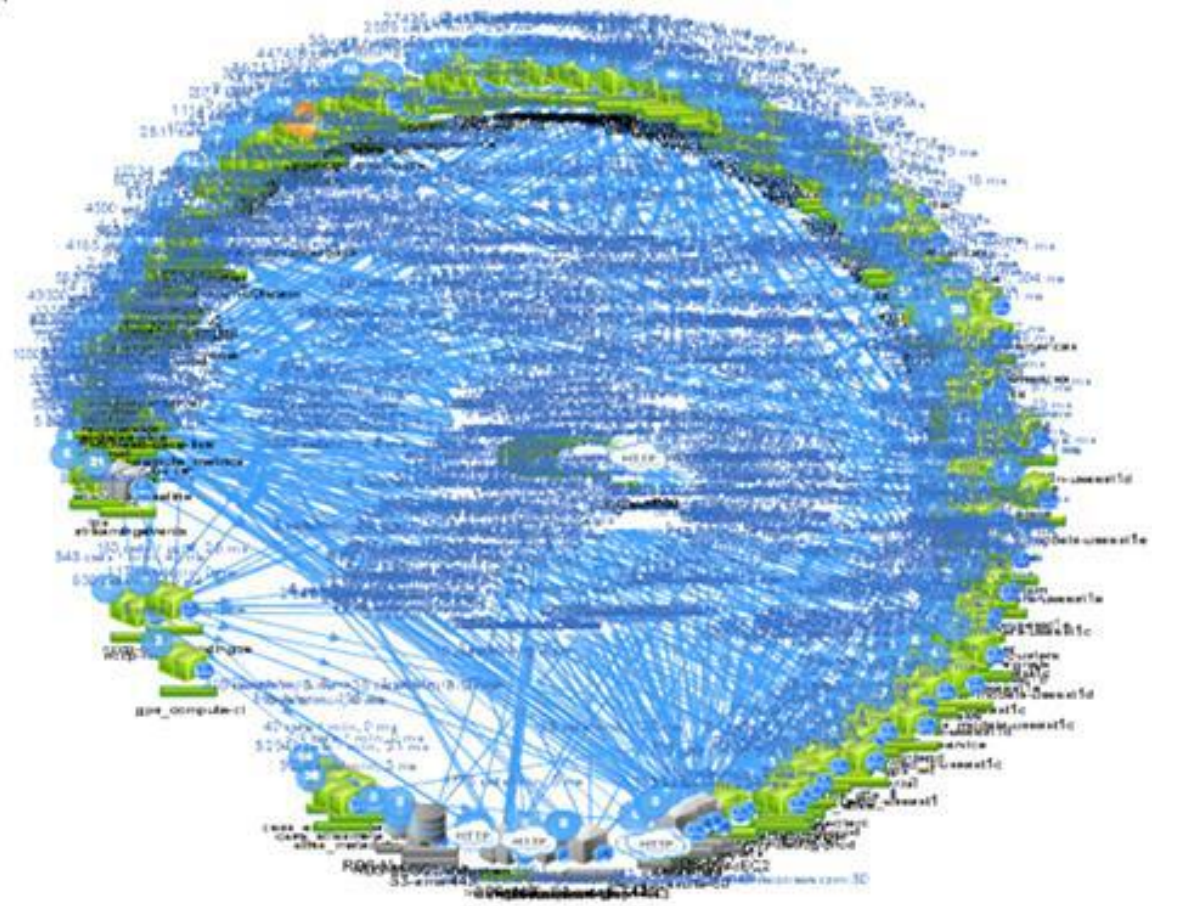
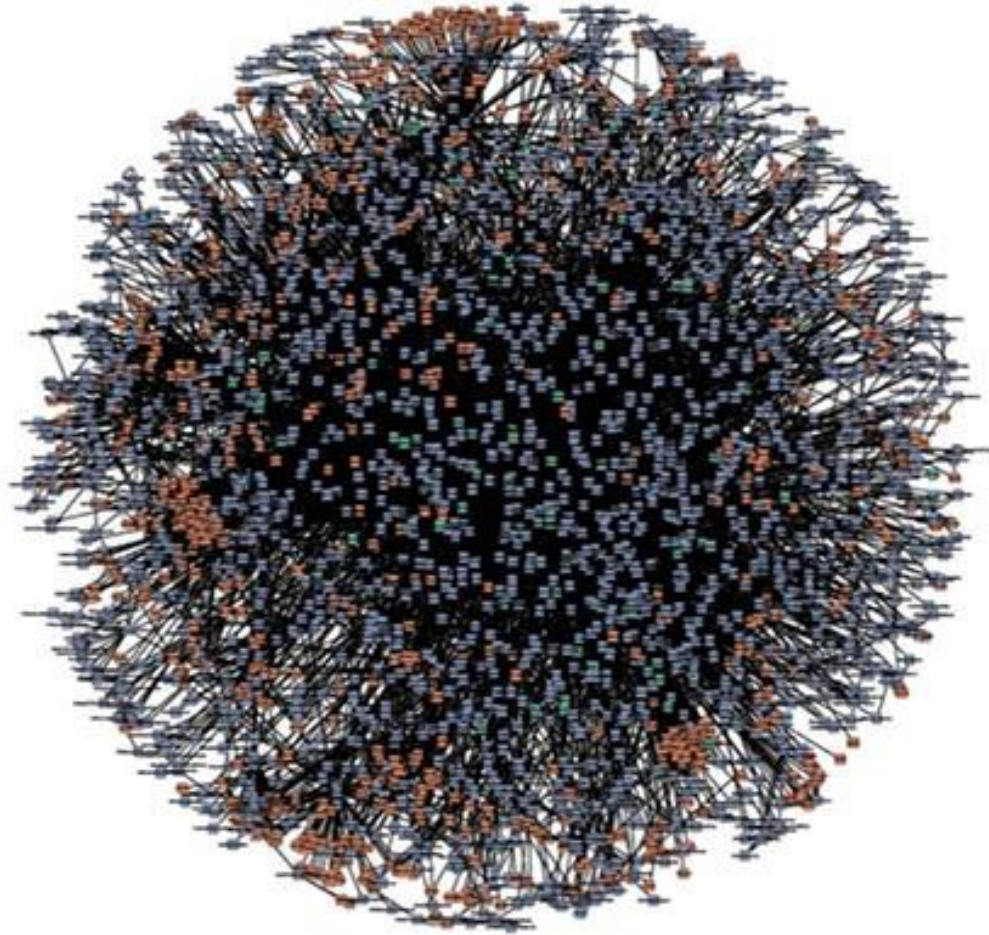
Now that we've conducted our postmortem and root cause analysis, we know the event summarized below started at 6:17 a.m. PDT (7/11/18).

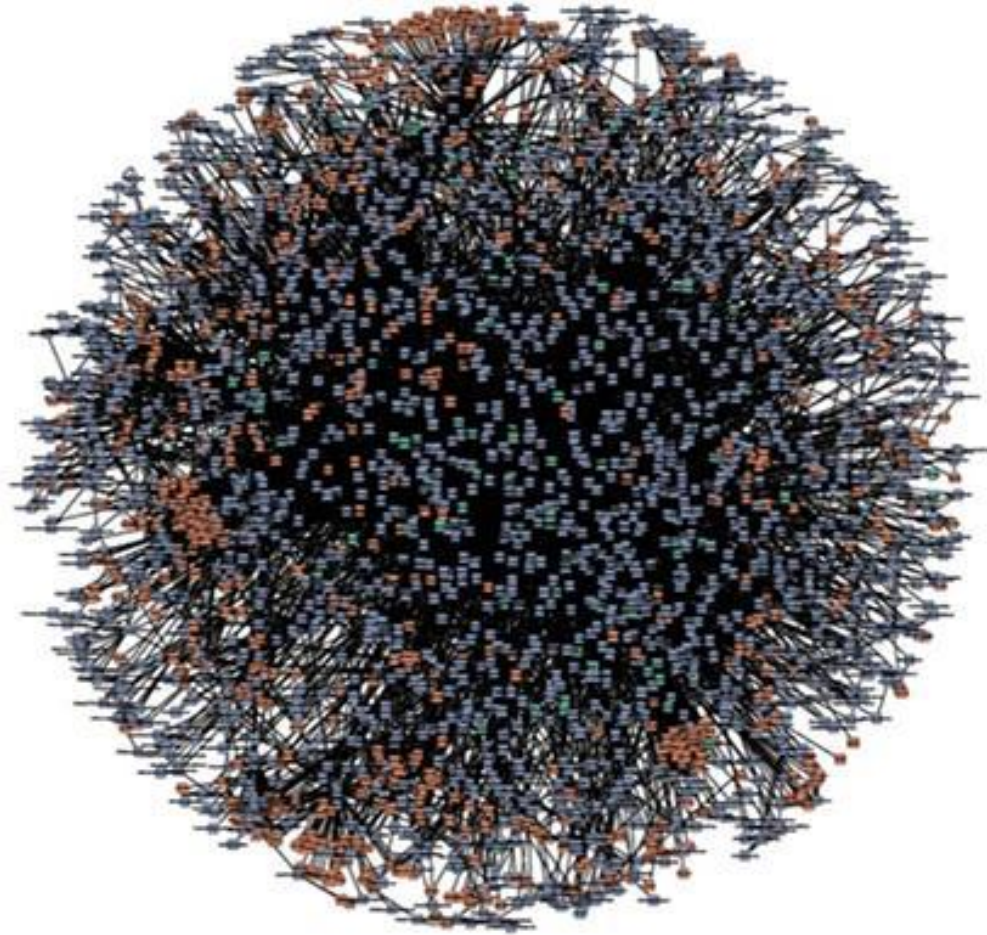
Jul 12, 2:48 AM GMT+3

Thank you for your patience. Everything is back up and running and we wanted to give you a summary of what happened.

On June 27th (yesterday) between 6:33 a.m. and 9:49 a.m. PDT Slack experienced an outage where people could not connect to their workspaces. The network problems were caused by a bug included in an offline batch process of data, which resulted in unexpected network spikes and led all of our customers to become disconnected and unable to reconnect.

Once we identified the problem, we restricted new connections and provisioned extra capacity. At 9:24 a.m. PST, production was healthy enough to remove restrictions and by 9:44 a.m. PST, all customers had





amazon.com®



NETFLIX

***“IN A COMPLEX LANDSCAPE
YOUR APPLICATION IS
NEVER FULLY UP”***





TRADITIONAL MONITORING

TOOLS ARE DEAD!



MEASURE

USER IMPACT



FRESHNESS

DURABILITY

CORRECTNESS

QUALITY

THROUGHPUT

COVERAGE

AVAILABILITY

LATENCY

MEASURE

USER IMPACT

RELIABILITY

A close-up photograph of a person's hands and forearms as they climb a rope. The person is wearing a white t-shirt and a black watch with an orange strap. A silver carabiner is attached to the rope. The background is a blurred outdoor setting with green grass and a white wall.

PEOPLE

APPLICATION

NETWORK

INFRASTRUCTURE

RESILIENT APPLICATIONS



FAIL OPEN

GRACEFUL DEGRADATION

BUT WE DO TESTS?



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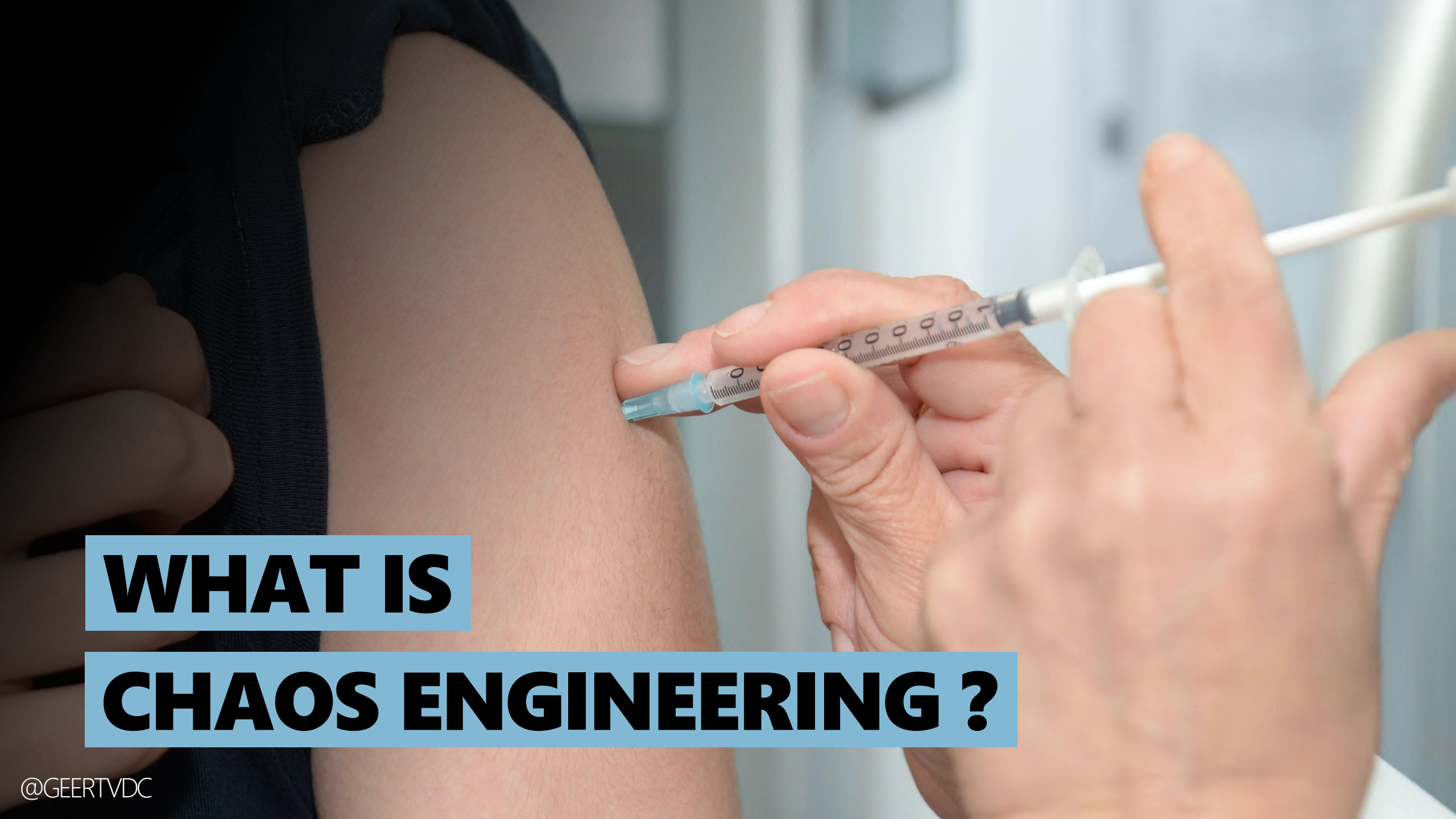
UNIT TESTS



BUT WE DO TESTS?

INTEGRATION TESTS





WHAT IS

CHAOS ENGINEERING ?



CHAOS ENGINEERING

IS NOT

RANDOMLY BREAKING

STUFF IN PRODUCTION

CHAOS ENGINEERING

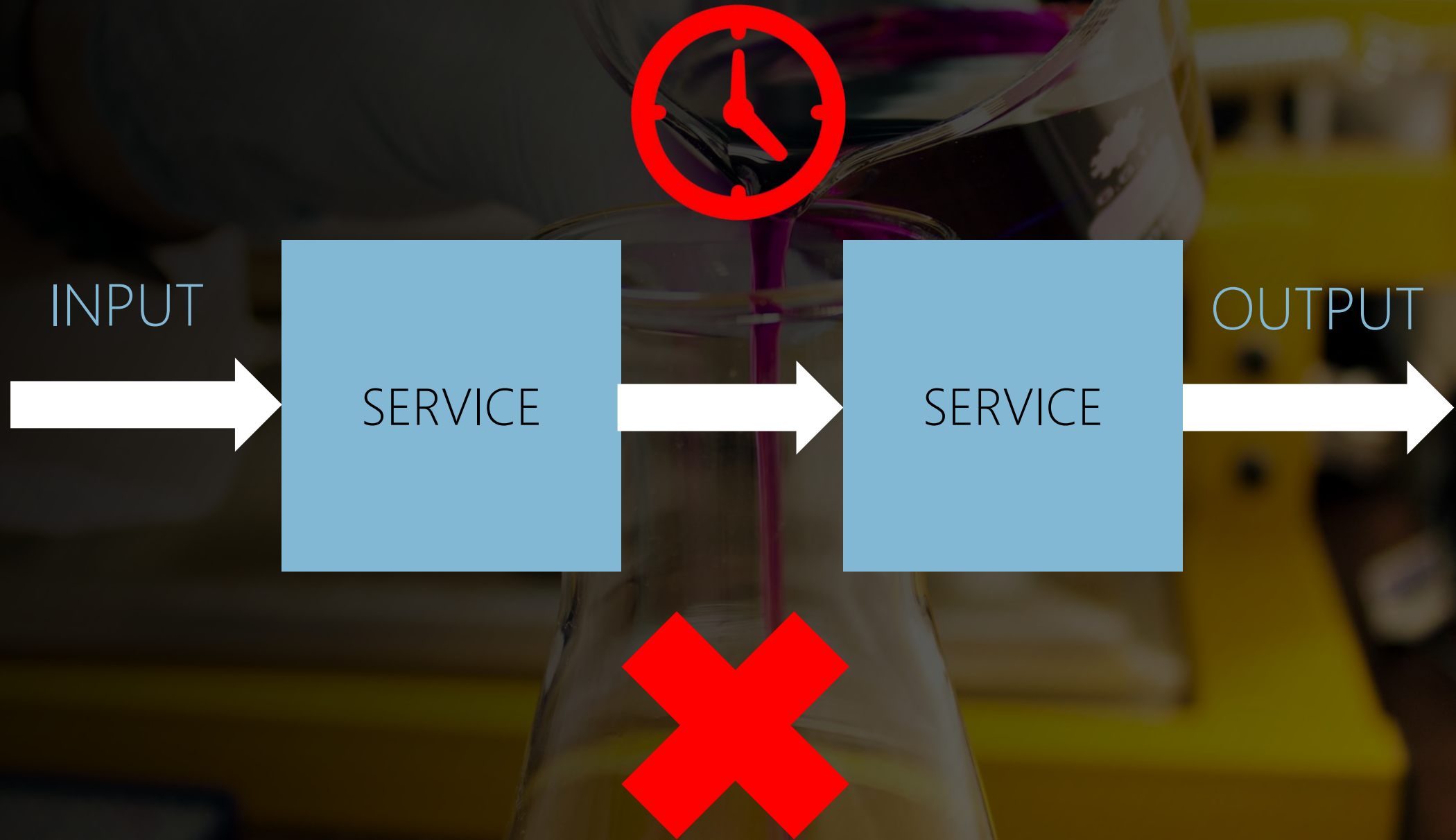
"Chaos Engineering is the discipline of experimenting on a distributed system in order to build confidence in the system's capability to withstand turbulent conditions in production."

<https://principlesofchaos.org>

CHAOS ENGINEERING

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CHAOS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENTS

HOST FAILURE

RESOURCE CAPACITY ATTACKS

APPLICATION FAILURE

NETWORK ATTACKS

BRENT ATTACK

CHAOS ENGINEERING

ONLY IN PRODUCTION?





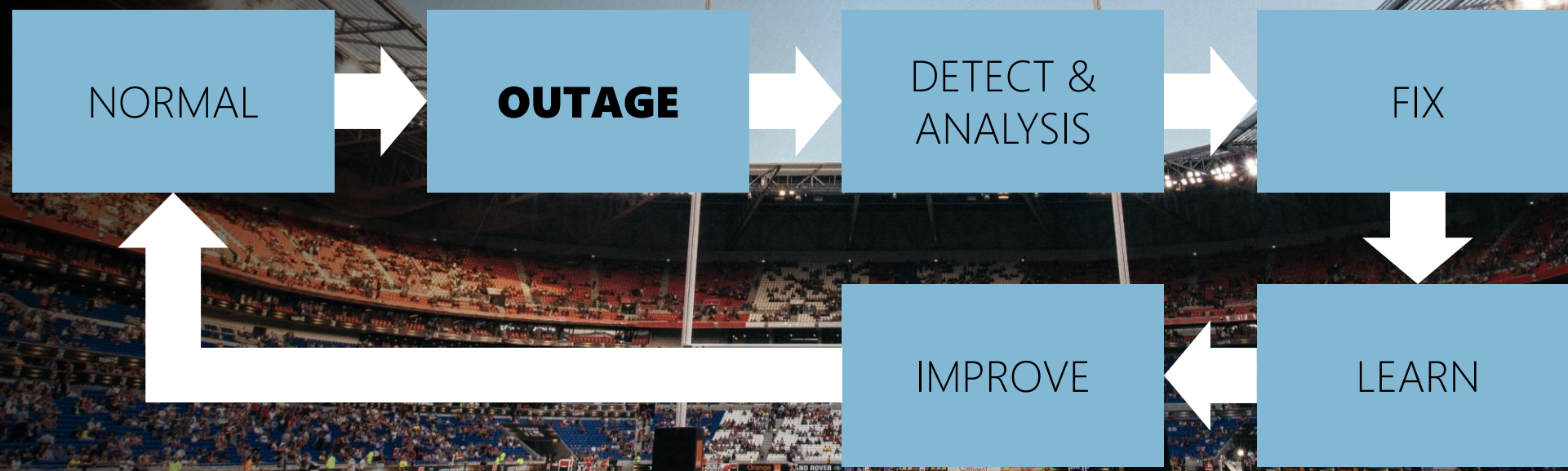
HOW TO START

YOUR FIRST EXPERIMENT

GAME DAY



INCIDENT RESPONSE LEARNING



CHAOS GAME DAY



CHAOS EXPERIMENT PHASES

STEADY
STATE

DEFINE
HYPOTHESIS

DESIGN &
EXECUTE

LEARN

FIX

EMBED

STEADY STATE

STEADY
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STEADY STATE

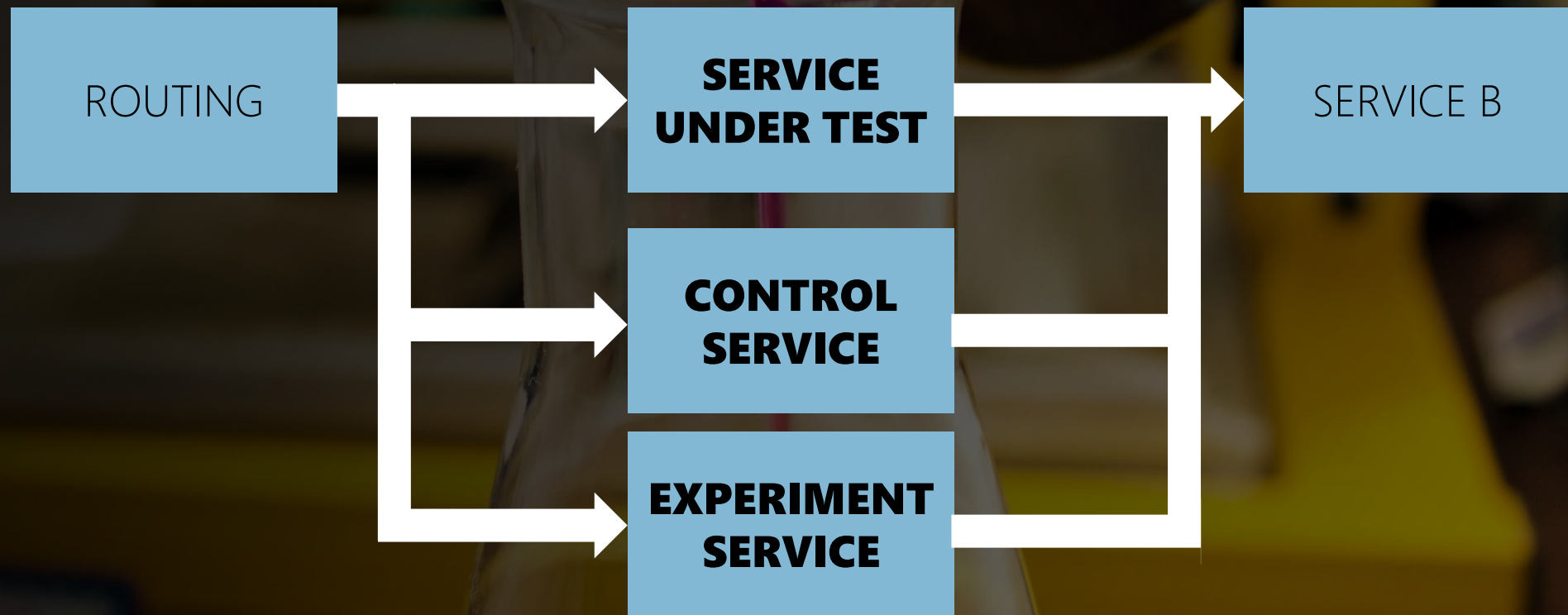
MEASURE BUSINESS METRICS

100ms extra load time drop Amazon's sale by 1%

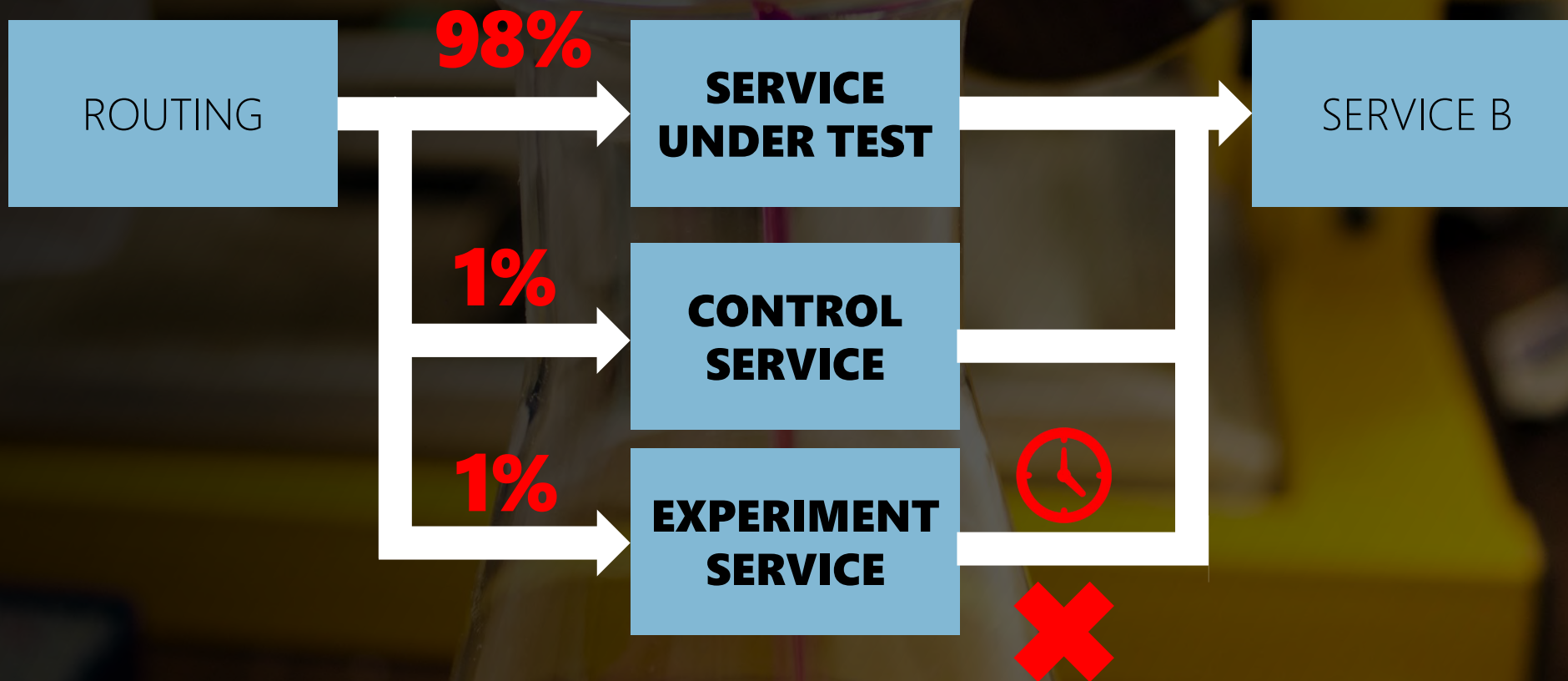
STEADY STATE



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ALWAYS BE ABLE TO ABORT



DEFINE HYPOTHESIS

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DEFINE HYPOTHESIS

BRAINSTORM WHAT CAN GO WRONG

BRING EVERYONE

DEVELOPERS

SRE / OPERATIONS

NETWORKS

BUSINESS

INFRASTRUCTURE

TESTERS

WHAT CAN GO WRONG?

WHAT IF DATABASE IS DOWN?

WHAT IF SERVICE RESPONDS SLOWER?

WHAT IF MY CACHE RESPONDS SLOW?

WHAT IF A POD DIES?

WHAT IF LOADBALANCER STOPS?

WHAT IF?



**STOP IF YOU KNOW THE
EXPERIMENT WILL BREAK**

DESIGN & EXECUTE EXPERIMENT

STEADY
STATE

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LEARN

FIX

EMBED

DESIGN & EXECUTE EXPERIMENT

START SMALL

NOTIFY PEOPLE INVOLVED

SLOWLY INCREASE BLAST RADIUS

TOOLS:

GREMLIN.COM

CHAOSTOOLKIT.ORG

[GITHUB.COM/NETFLIX/SIMIANARMY](https://github.com/netflix/simianarmy)

[GITHUB.COM/ASOBTI/KUBE-MONKEY](https://github.com/asobti/kube-monkey)



LEARN



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LEARN

HOW FAST DID WE DETECT?

HOW FAST DID WE RECOVER?

DO NOT BLAME!



FIX

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EMBED

A woman with dark hair, wearing a dark t-shirt and a patterned scarf, is sitting in a workshop. She is holding a large adjustable wrench horizontally in front of her mouth, looking over the top of it. The workshop is filled with various tools and equipment, including a SATA 95111 toolbox, shelves with cans, and a car engine in the foreground. The lighting is dim and blue-toned.

FIX

IMPLEMENT FIX

RERUN EXPERIMENT

EMBED



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EMBED

A man in a green polo shirt with gold Roman numerals and a horse logo is leaning over two women who are looking at a computer screen. The man is wearing a green polo shirt with gold Roman numerals (XVII, XVIII) and a horse logo. The women are looking at a computer screen. The background is a blurred office environment.

EMBED

EMBED IN CULTURE

ONBOARDING

CONTINUOUS CHAOS

RESILIENT ARCHITECTURE

PATTERNS

PARALLEL EXECUTION

ASYNC COMMUNICATION

QUEUE BASED LOAD DISTRIBUTION

IDEMPOTENT APIS

BULKHEAD PATTERN

CIRCUIT BREAKERS

SPLIT RESPONSIBILITIES

MULTI PARALELLISM

PARALLELISM	AVAILABILITY	DOWNTIME PER YEAR
1	99%	3 DAYS 16 HOURS
2	99,99%	53 MINUTES
3	99,9999%	32 SECONDS

HOW PARALEL IS YOUR CLOUD COMPONENT ?

AVAILABILITY ZONES

REGIONS

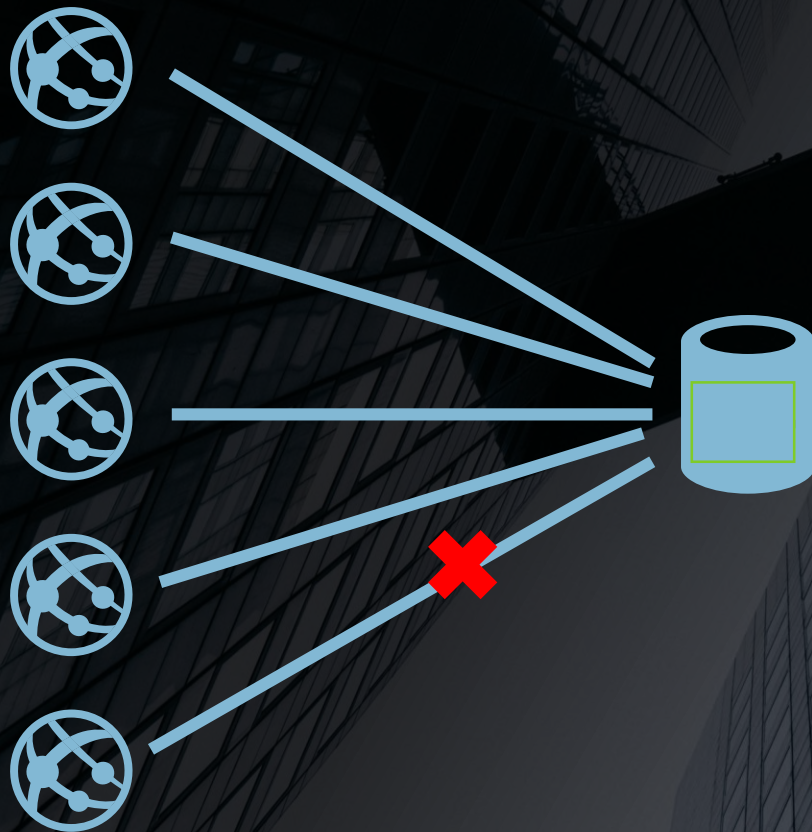
ASYNC COMMUNICATION

SYNC REQUIRES A CONNECTION PER REQUEST

FOCUS ON MESSAGE BASED COMMUNICATION

DECOUPLING **PUB SUB** **LISTENER**

QUEUE BASED LOAD DISTRIBUTION



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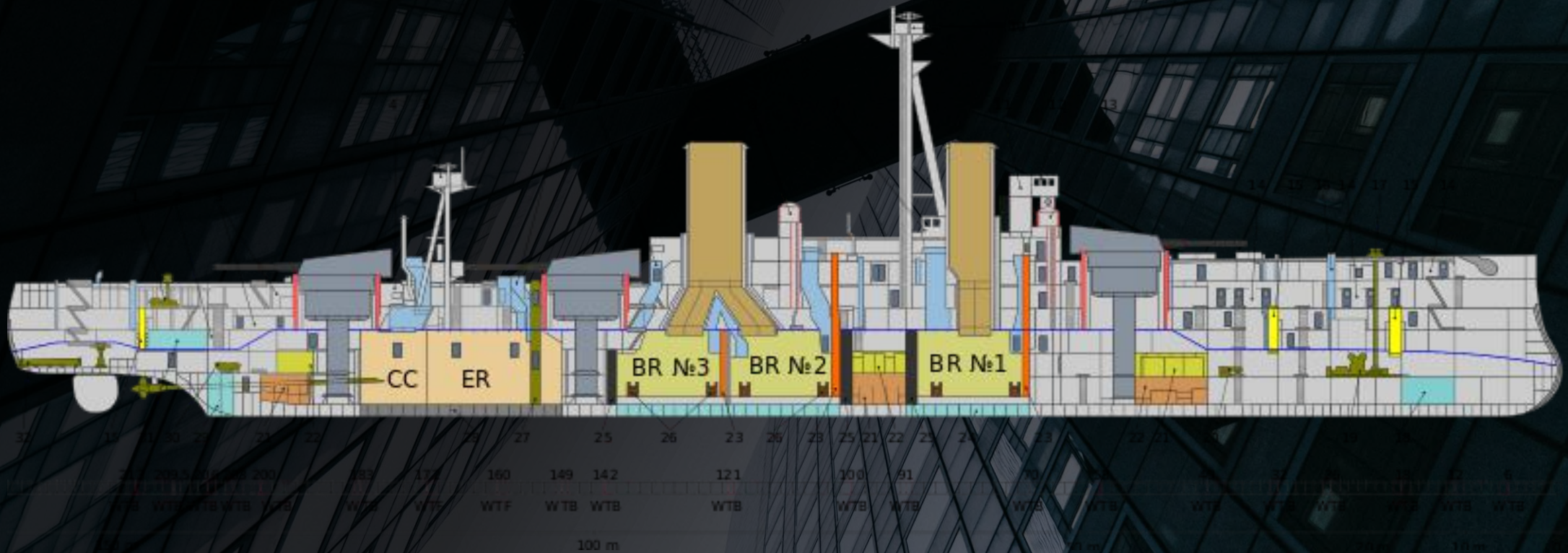


IDEMPOTENT APIS

HTTP METHOD	IDEMPOTENCE	SAFETY
GET	YES	YES
HEAD	YES	YES
PUT	YES	NO
DELETE	YES	NO
POST	NO	NO
PATCH	NO	NO

BULKHEAD PATTERN

ISOLATE WORKLOADS LIKE THE HULL OF A SHIP

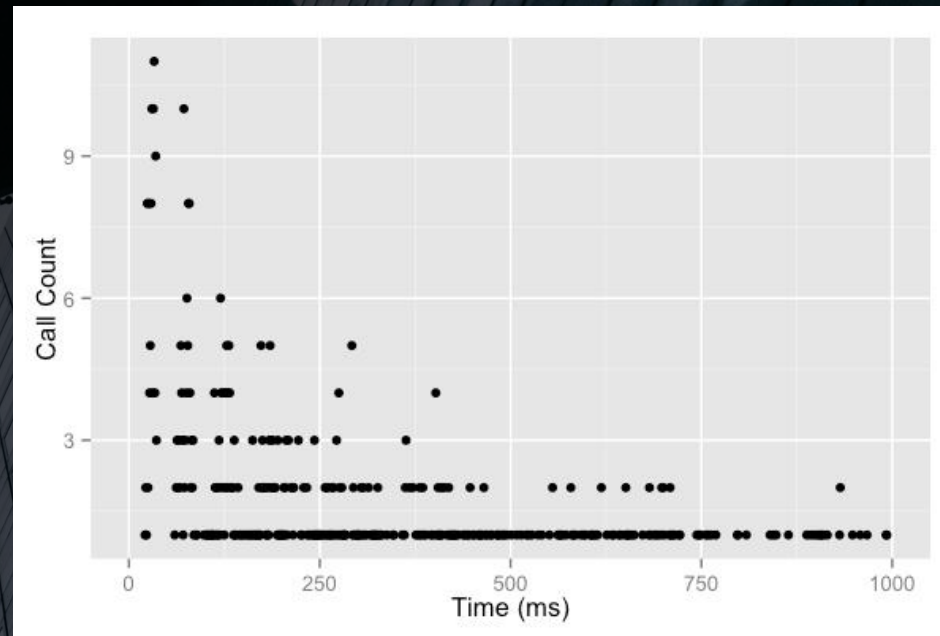
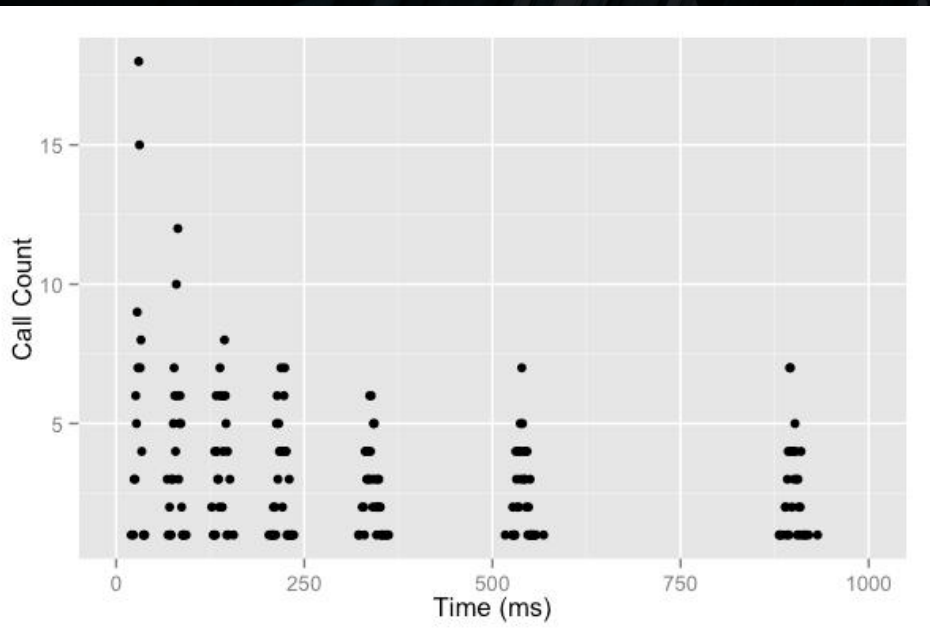


CIRCUIT BREAKER



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ADD JITTER TO RETRIES





SPLIT RESPONSIBILITIES

READ / WRITE SHARDING

CQRS

BIG CULTURE CHANGE

PRODUCTION ACCESS

FULL CYCLE DEVELOPERS

START EXPERIMENTING

OBSERVABILITY

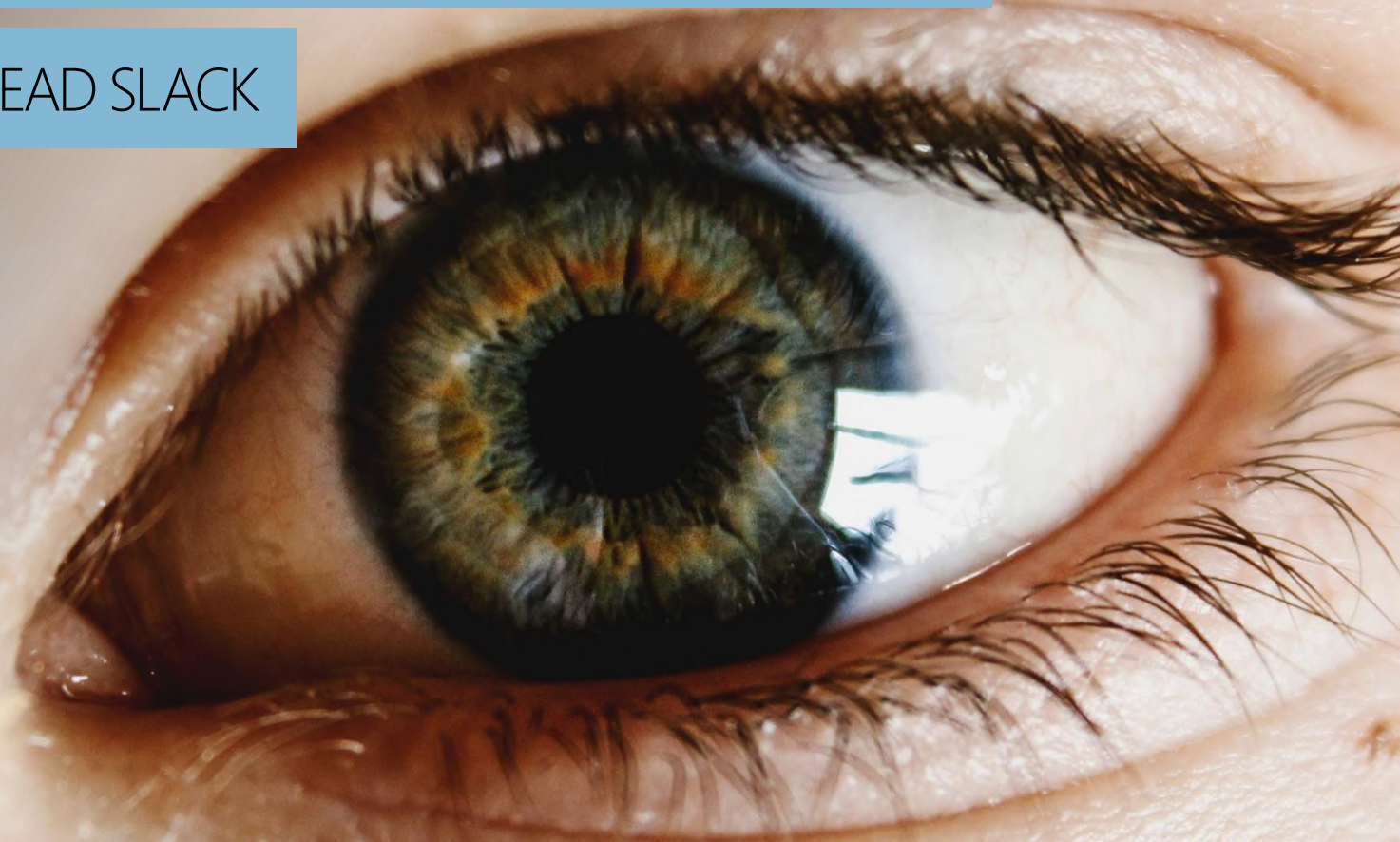
START SMALL

CHECK OUT TOOLS

WRAP UP

“CHAOS ENGINEERING DOESN'T CAUSE PROBLEMS, IT JUST REVEALS THEM”

NORA JONES – CHAOS ENGINEERING LEAD SLACK



RESOURCES

BOOKS:

Chaos engineering - O'Reilly

Chaos engineering observability - O'Reilly

TOOLS:

chaostoolkit.org

gremlin.com

github.com/netflix/simianarmy

github.com/asobti/kube-monkey

RESOURCES:

principlesofchaos.org

github.com/dastergon/awesome-chaos-engineering

docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/architecture/patterns/category/resiliency

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THANK YOU!