Implementing Chaos Engineering in a Risk Averse Culture

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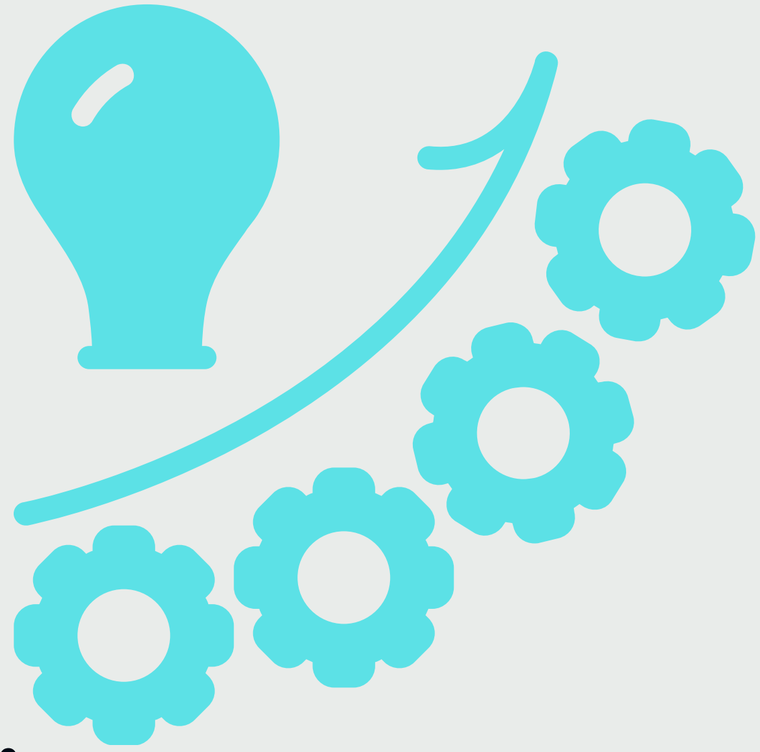
About the Talk

- Evolution of Distributed Systems
- Chaos Engineering
- Conservative Mindset
- Art of Persuasion
- Case Study
- Gaining Buy-in
- Tools and Resources
- Q&A

Evolution of System Architecture

- Traditional vs Cloud Native
- Challenges with modern systems

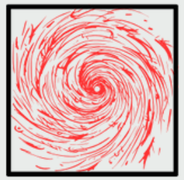


“Everything fails all the time”
Werner Vogels

CHAOS ENGINEERING

Define Steady State
“Normal Behavior”

Build a hypothesis on behavior of control group and experiment group



Introduce Chaos in controlled manner**

Observe both groups and evaluate hypothesis

What is Chaos Engineering?

Principles of Chaos Engineering

- Build Hypothesis Around Steady State
- Vary Real-World Events
- Run Experiments in Prod
- Automate Experiments to Run Continuously
- Minimize BLAST RADIUS

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Conservative Mindset

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Risk Averse bottom line first

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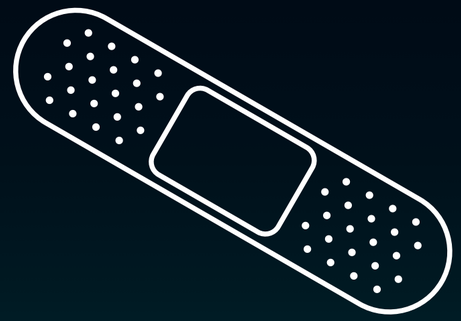
PTSD from outage frequency



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Everything is slow

Art of Persuasion

- Long Term Savings vs Short Term Investments
- Reliability = Customer Trust
- Reliability = Happy Engineers
- Reliability = Happy Bosses
- Cost of Fragility

Cost Benefit
Analysis & TCO

Iterate and
improve

Gather &
Provide Data on
everything

Gaining Buy In

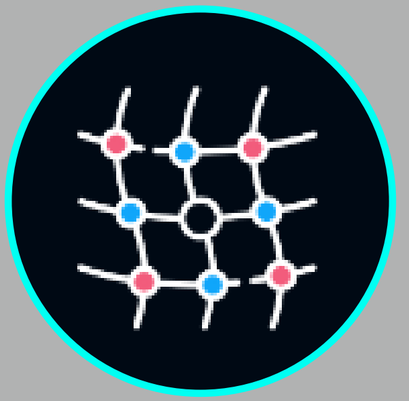
Speak their
language

Small Pilot
Programs

Demonstrate
success early

SplunkCloud Case Study

Tools & Resources



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