

Site Reliability Engineering

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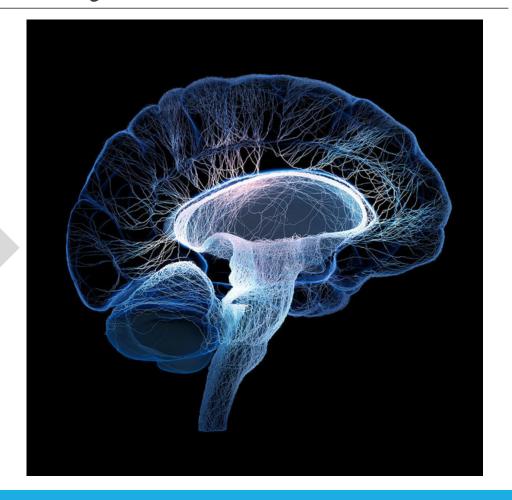
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They're Alive!

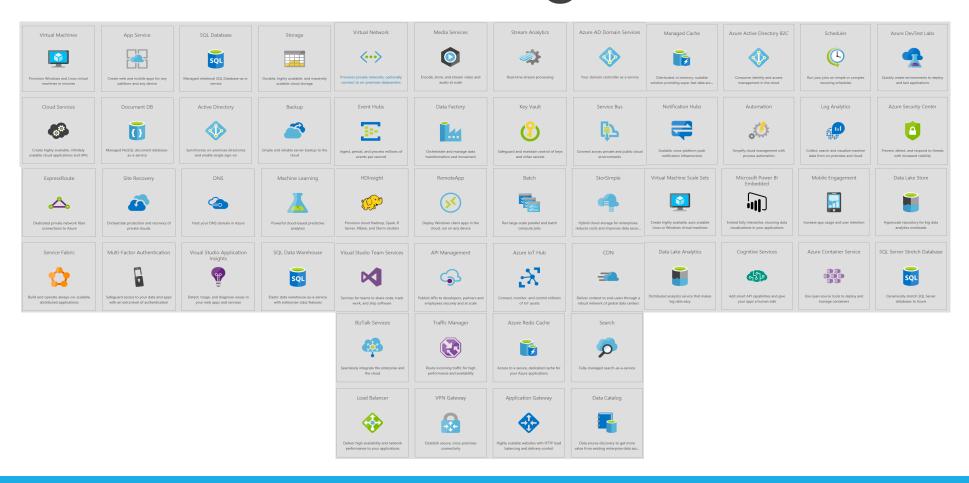
Organizations Are Living Organisms

Evolution and Complexity





Azure Service Offerings



Scale

24

Datacenter Regions

>120k

New Azure customer subscriptions/month

>100

Datacenters

~60

Distinct Azure Service Offerings

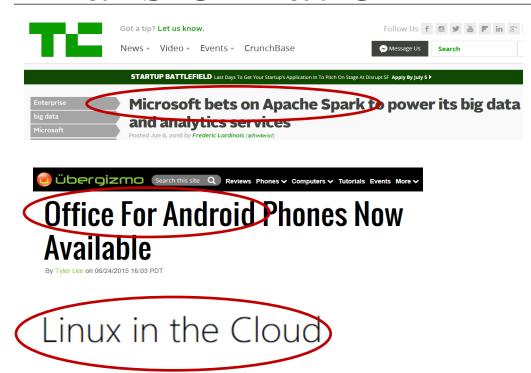
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Messages per second processed by Azure IoT

|>40_%|

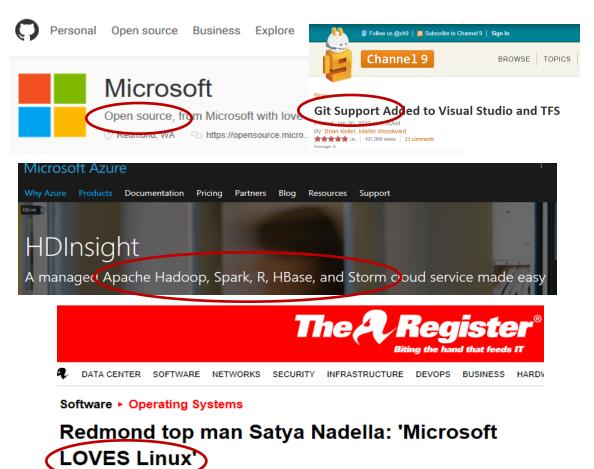
Revenue from Startups and ISVs

Transformation



Easily lift and shift Linux workloads to the cloud

Did you know that nearly one in three Azure virtual machines are Linux?



Learning Culture, Growth Mindset



CNET > Tech Culture > Behind last night's Bing outage

Behind last night's Bing outage

Microsoft says that a change that was being tested was mistakenly moved onto the live site, causing Thursday night's sitewide outage.

Bing.com was down between about 6:30 and 7:00 PM Pacific Time on Dec 3, 2009. During this time, users were either unable to get to the site, or their queries were returning incomplete results page. The cause of the outage was a configuration change during some internal testing that had unfortunate and unintended consequences. As soon as the issue was detected, the change was rolled back, which caused the site to return to normal behavior. Unfortunately the detection and rollback took about half an hour, and during that time users were unable to use bing.com.

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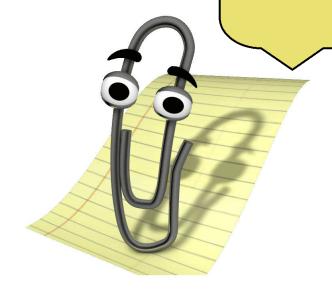
Outage: Postmortem

This interruption was due to a bug that got triggered when a configuration change in the Azure Storage Front End component was made, resulting in the inability of the Blob Front-Ends to take traffic. The configuration change had been introduced as part of an Azure Storage update to improve performance as well as reducing the CPU footprint for the Azure Table Front-Ends.

Scaling Up Operational Models



Hi Greg!!! It looks like you are trying to build SRE at Microsoft. How can I help?



Welcome To The Team!



North is...



Symptoms of Success

Availability and reliability meet SLOs

• defend customer trust

Eliminate human touches to prod

Toil elimination

Speed up deployments

Reduce inventory, ship fast, safely

All the above areas reinforce measurement. Reliability's foundation.

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3 Strategic Pillars



Start SRE at Microsoft – Establish Principles

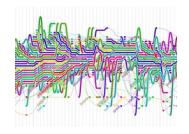


Prove the model – Apply Principles



Accelerate and improve – Scale the Principles

SRE Engagement Types



Services at Planetary Scale

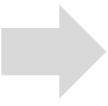


Ops Transformation at Scale

SRE develops solutions to close operational gaps, fire suppressant, iterate toward transformation



Newer Service Facing Rapid Growth



Growth and Maturation

SRE attaches to team, develops targeted improvements to prepare for growth, get on call



Greenfield Services or Redesign



Design and Architecture

Operability and continuous innovation, design for scale from the beginning

Production Readiness



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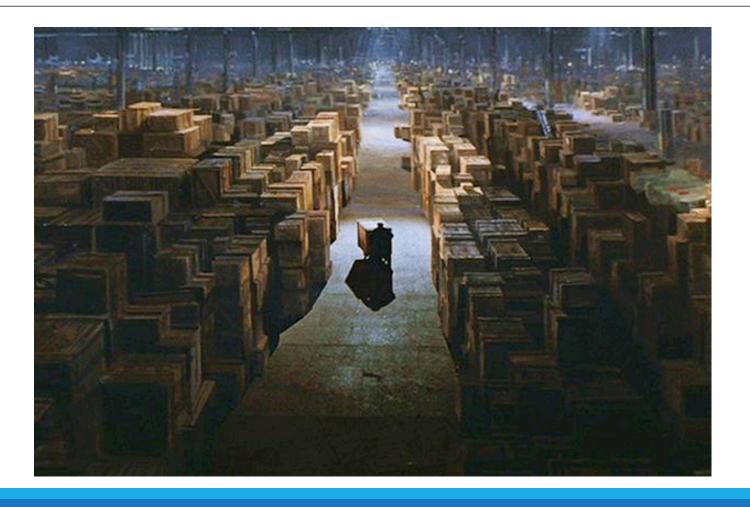
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Service Facing Rapid Growth Azure IoT





Established Service at Planetary Scale Azure Storage





3 Prong Strategy



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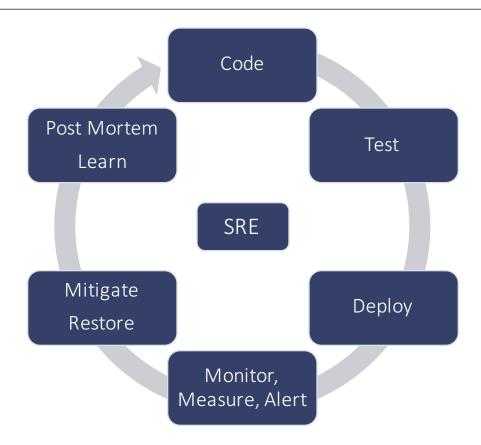


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Production Virtuous Cycle



Goal: Enable this loop to run as fast and often as possible while maintaining SLOs

SRE Areas of Focus

Metrics and Monitoring

• Instrumentation, SLOs, Alarms, insights → actions

Infrastructure Engineering

• Tooling, infra for global optima

Release Engineering

• Change Management, Deployment

Incident Response

Enough Said

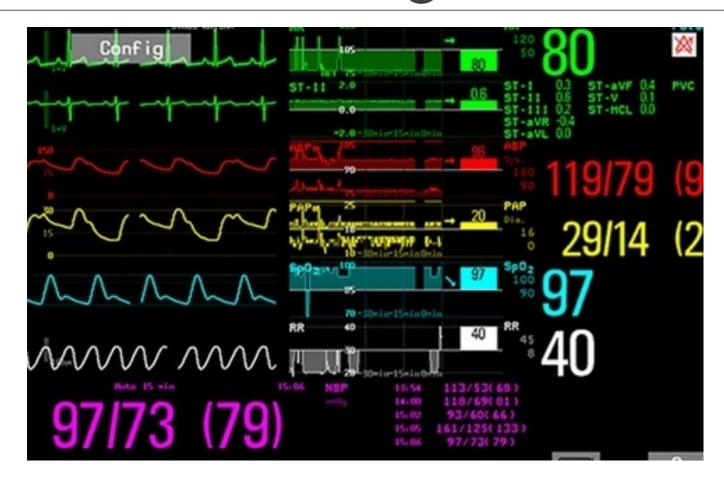
Common Infrastructure

Integrating existing best in class infra

Capacity & Fleet Management

• Build out, decomm, fleet understanding and mgmt

Metrics and Monitoring



Incident Response



Critical Moves, Learnings



Build and protect the SRE brand Manage the change

Meet teams where they are

Grab a Shovel (and build a backhoe)

Find the bright spots

In Conclusion

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