

# Enhancing DevSecOps with Observability and Automation



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# Agenda

## DevSecOps

- What is it?
- The Mission
- What it requires

## How Splunk Supports the Mission

- Observability
- Automation
- Security Analysis & Response

## How to get started

- Leverage existing resources, deployment templates

# What is DevSecOps Anyway?



Just the latest industry buzz word? No...

# Independent Missions

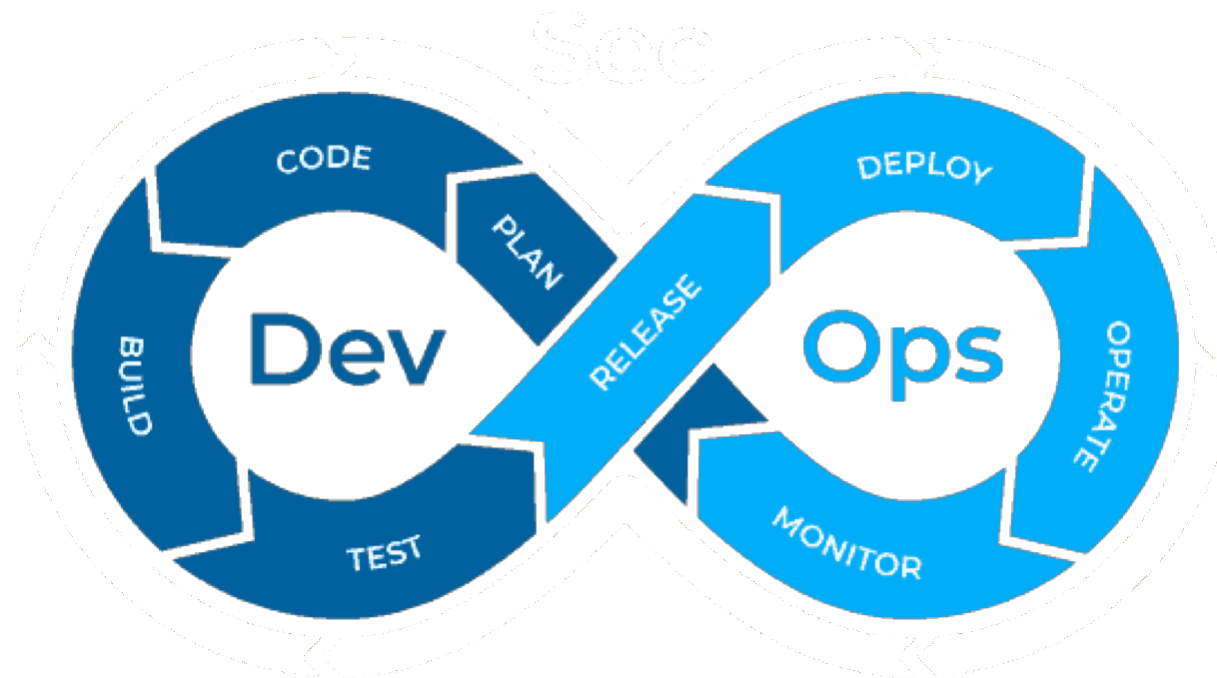
**Development** – build a great application or service

**Operations** – Ensure that application or service is available

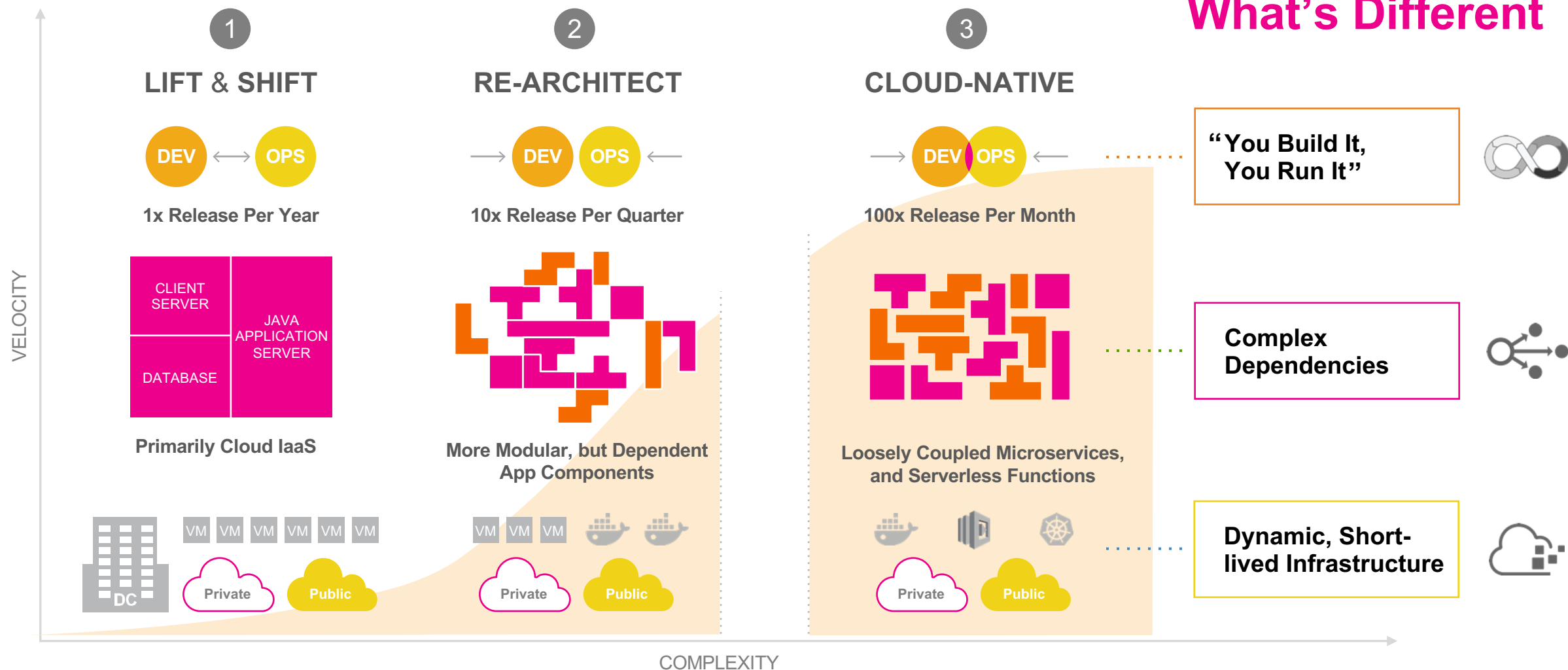
**Security** – Protect the entire enterprise, all attack surfaces.



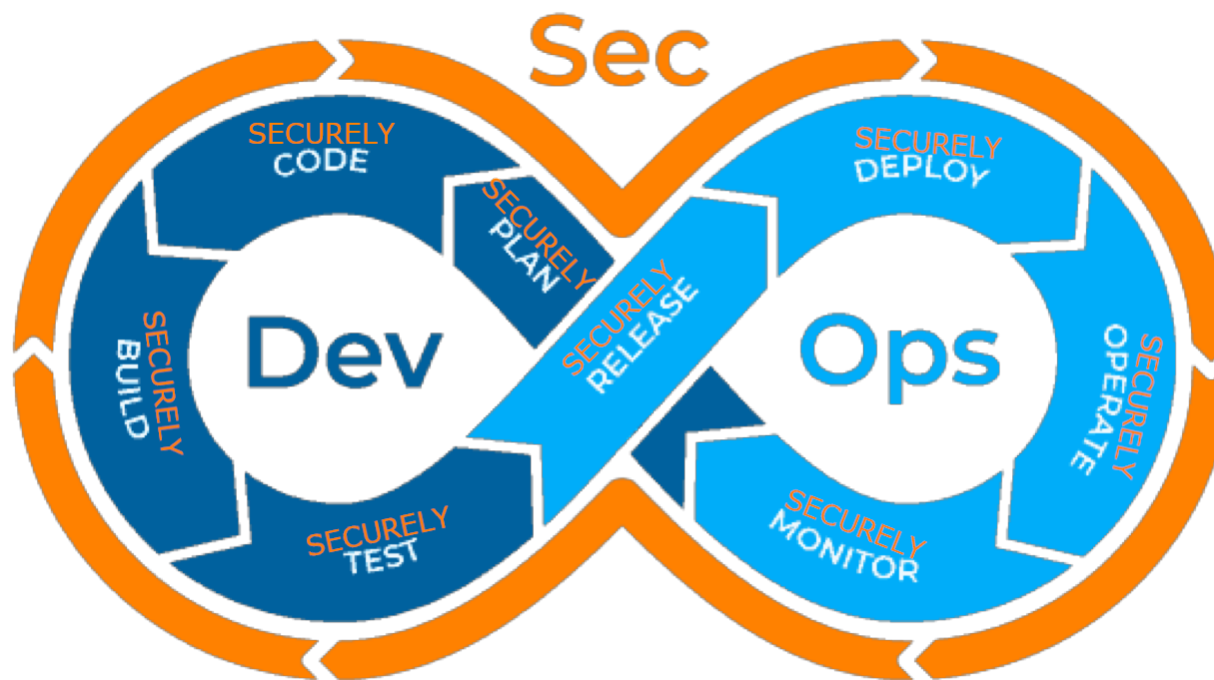
# DevOps Model - Traditional



# Cloud is a Critical Enabler of Transformation, but **Increases Complexity**



# DevSecOps Model



# DevSecOps Mission

DevSecOps is an organizational software engineering culture and practice that aims at unifying software development (Dev), security (Sec) and operations (Ops). The main characteristic of DevSecOps is to improve customer outcomes and mission value by automating, monitoring, and applying security at all phases of the software lifecycle: plan, develop, build, test, release, deliver, deploy, operate, and monitor.



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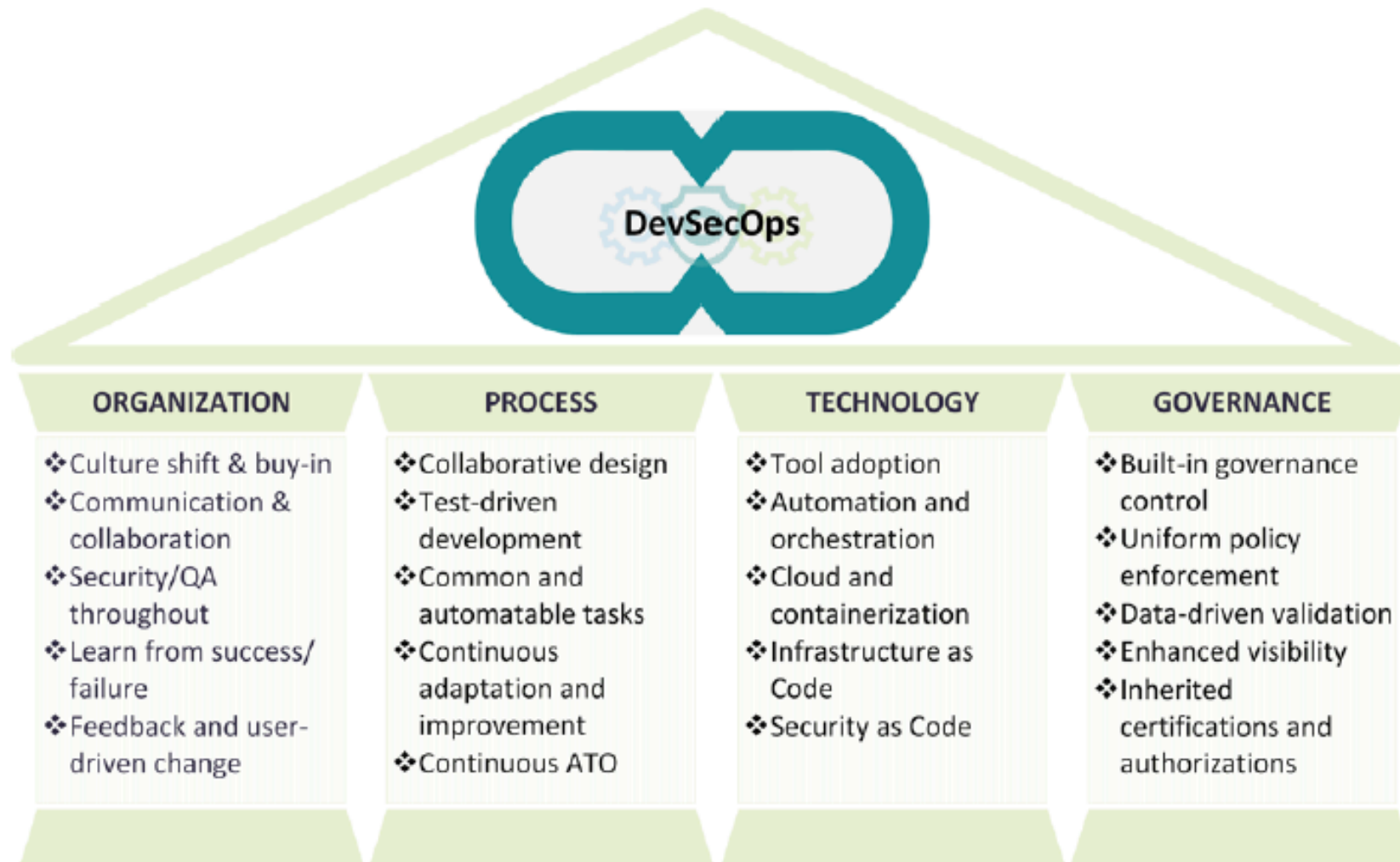
# DevSecOps Requirements

One size does not fit all

## Top 5

- Collaboration/Ownership (People)
- Education (People)
- Set Policy from the top (Process)
- Visibility (Technology)
- Automation (Technology)





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# DevSecOps Alignment

...We Are In This Together (Like It Or Not)

## AppDev

- Agile / Lean
- Containers
- Experimentation & PoCs
- Fast Feedback
- CI/CD
- Automation
- MVP
- Modern / Open
- Scalable / Elastic
- Test-Driven

## Security

- Compliance
- Integrity
- Availability
- Confidentially
- Auditable
- Non-Repudiation
- Protectable / Guardable
- Observable / Visible
- Resilient
- Loss / Risk Reduction

## Operations

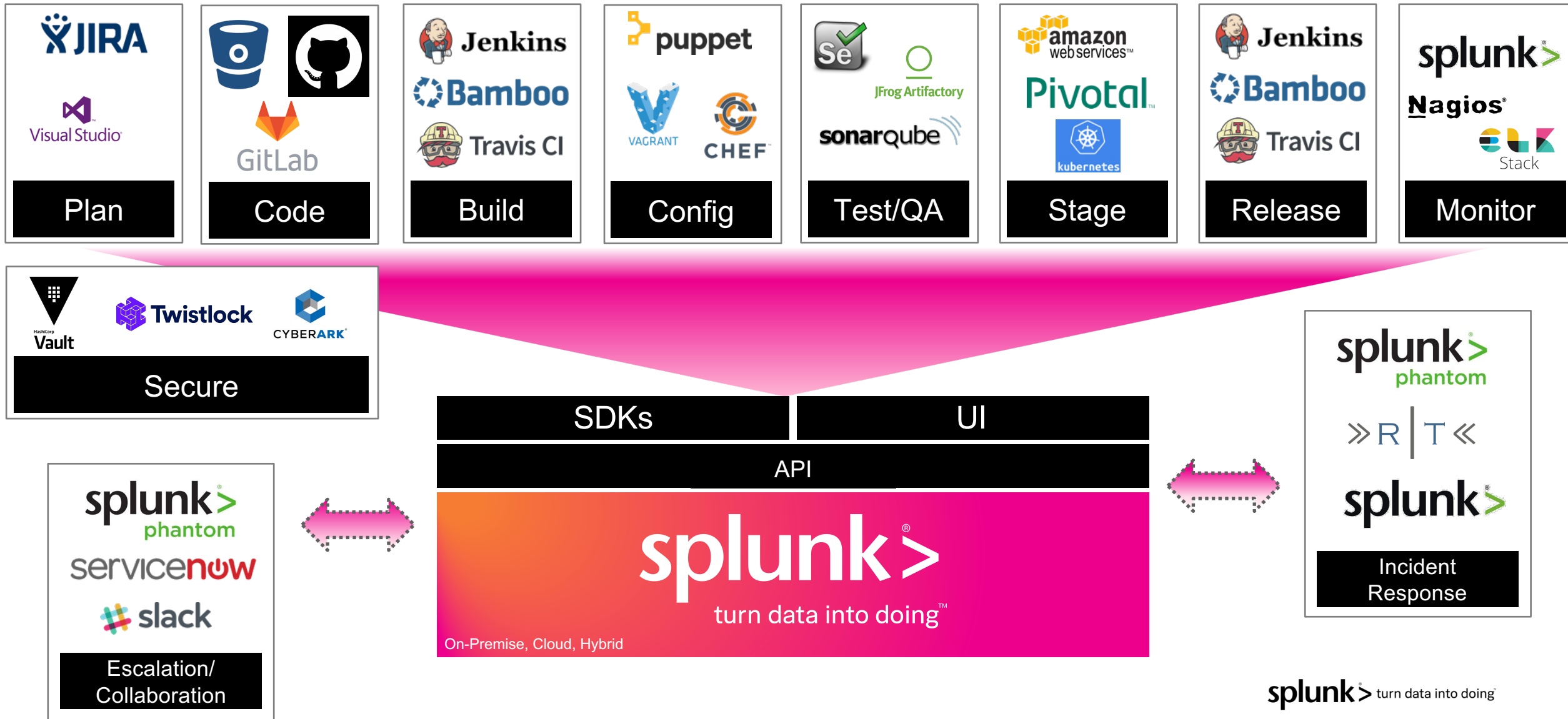
- Change Management
- Uptime
- Performance
- Sustainable
- Repeatable / Consistent
- Recoverable
- Controllable
- Manageability
- Supportability
- Reliable

# How Splunk Helps Today

Observability  
Automation  
Security Analysis & Response

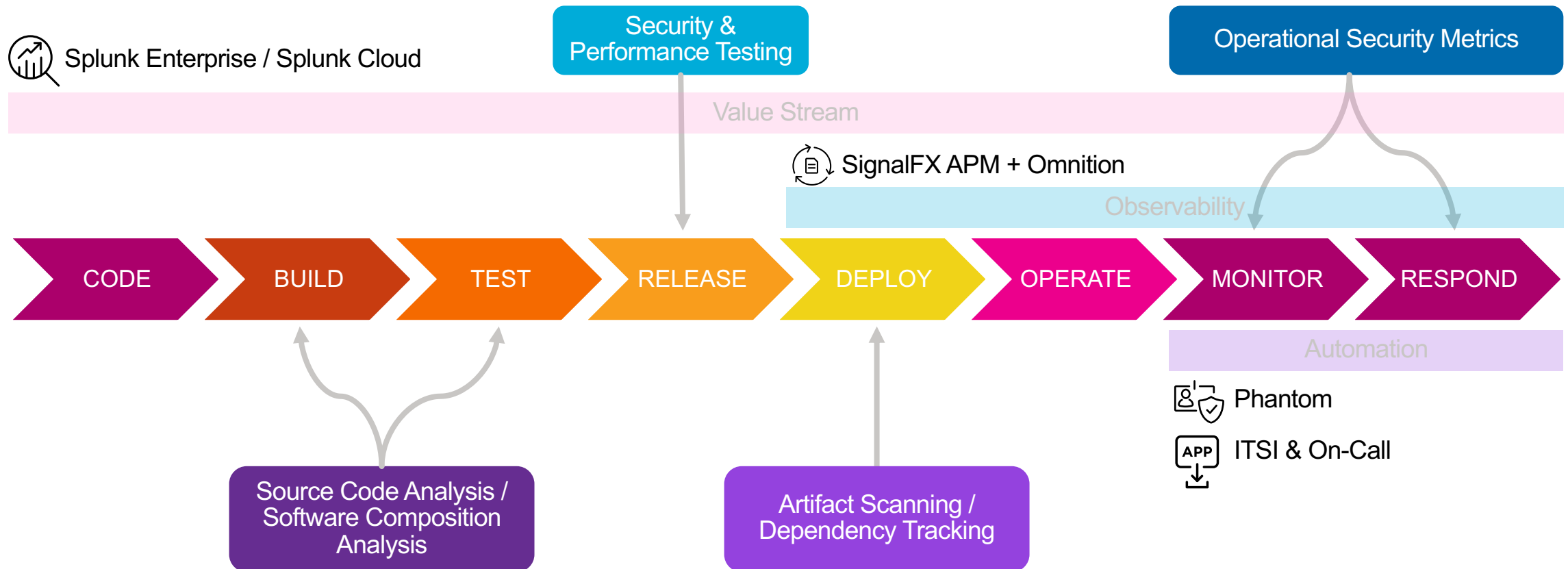
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# Example Across Tool Chain



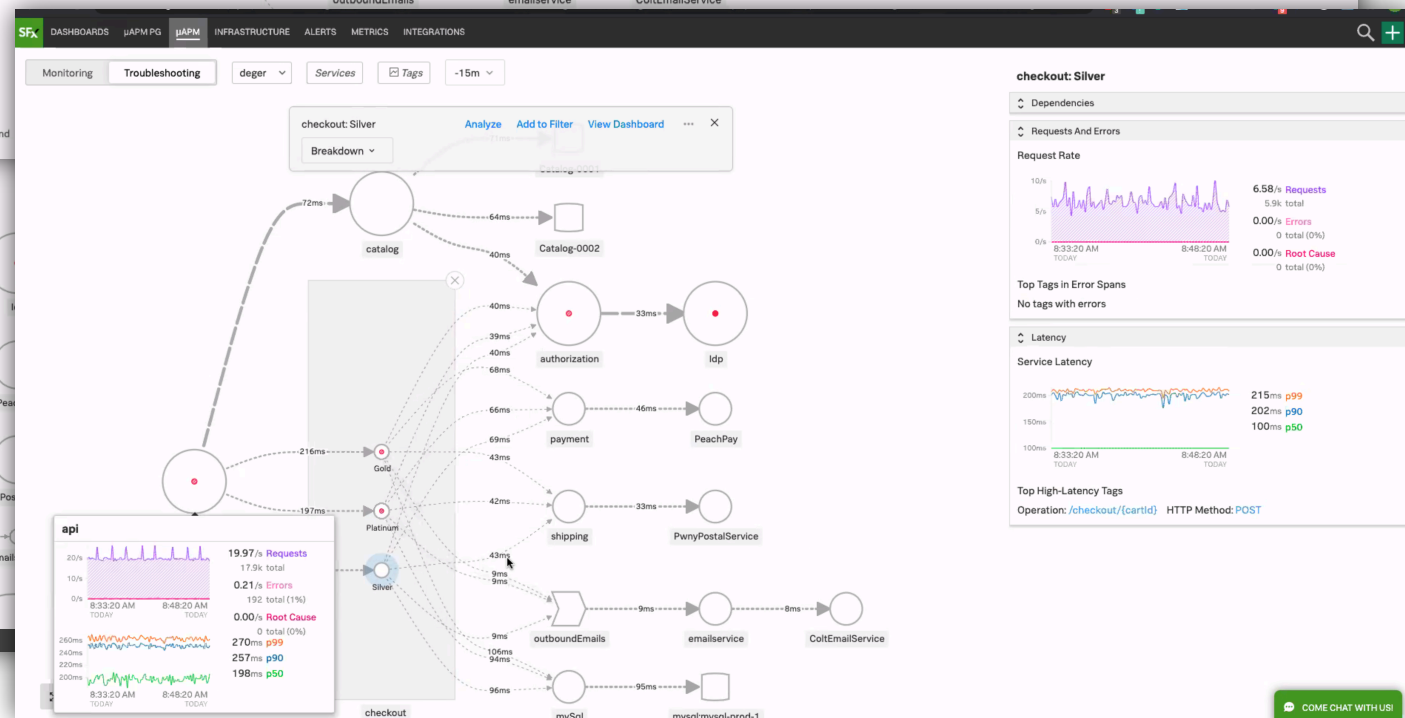
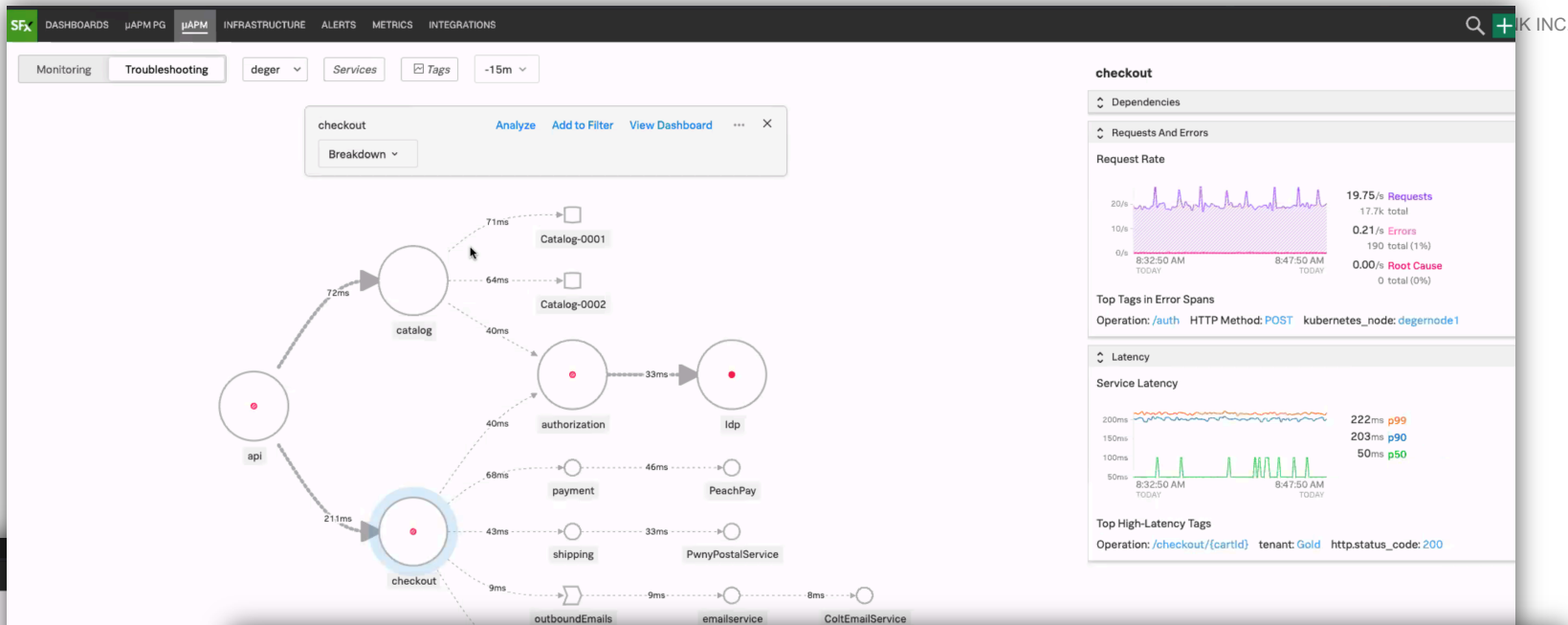
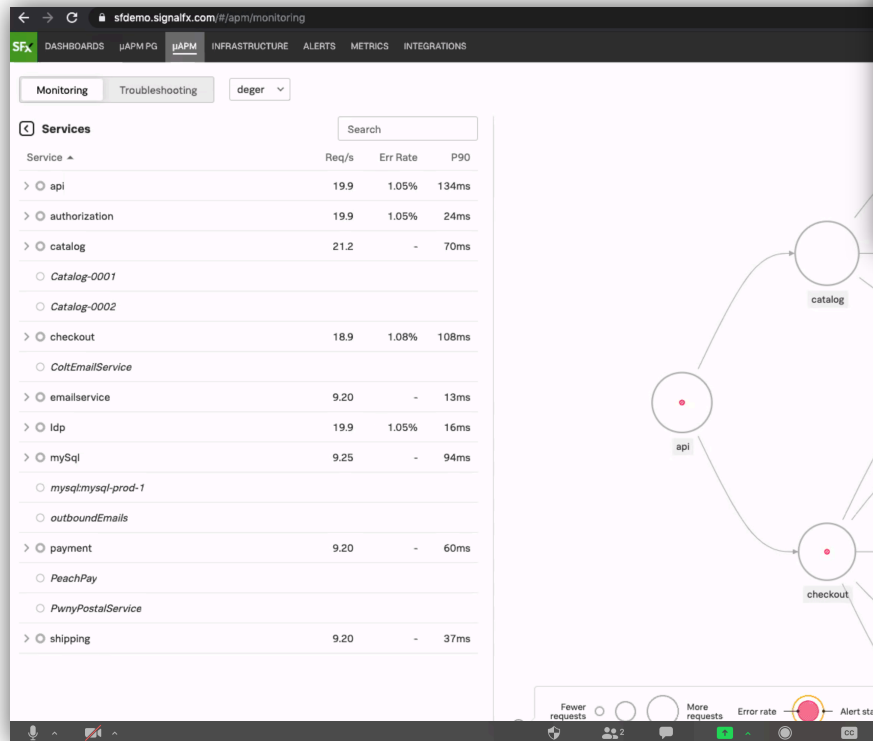
# Example Splunk Implementation

## A CI / CD Pipeline



# Splunk APM

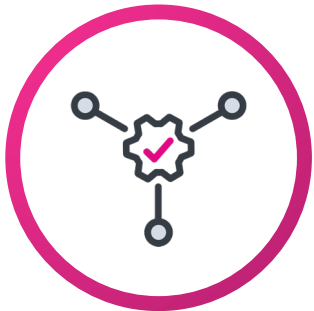
For Security,  
this delivers deep context:



# Take the Right Action Quickly and Accurately

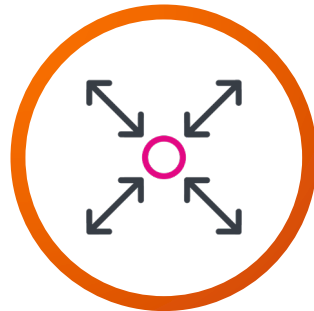
Splunk provides the framework and integrations to respond quickly when speed is key

## A Single Source of Truth



Enrich with context from cloud resources, share intel across teams within platform.

## Respond Faster



Reduce dwell times with automated investigations.

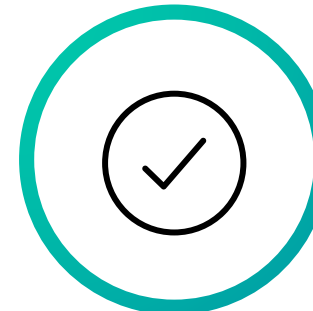
Reduce response times with playbooks that run at machine speed.

## In-Context Collaboration



Work as team to increase situational awareness with integrated chat and shared notes.

## Level Up Standards



Use response templates and prebuilt searches to guide junior analysts

## Report and Measure



Track KPIs to find bottlenecks and guide improvement projects

# ~500 Free Example Detections from Splunk Security Essentials

<https://splunkbase.splunk.com/app/3435>

Cloud APIs Called More Often Than Usual Per User

Cloud Provisioning Activity from Unusual Country

Cloud Provisioning Activity from Unusual IP

Instance Created by Unusual User

Instance Modified by Unusual User

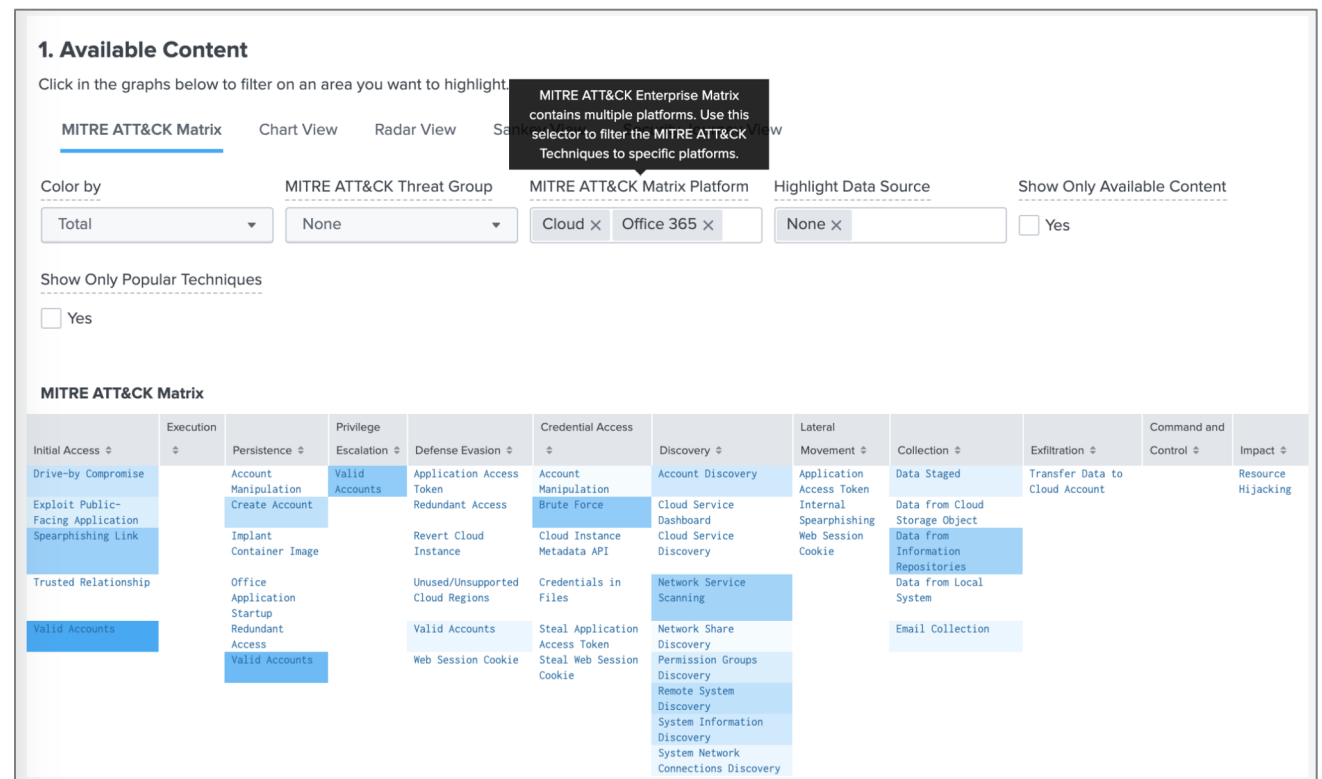
New Cloud API Call Per Peer Group

New IaaS API Call Per User

Public Cloud Storage (Bucket)

Unusual Cloud Regions

Unusual Number of Modifications to Cloud ACLs



# Example Detections from Splunk ES Content Updates

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Cloud Cryptomining

Container Implantation Monitoring & Investigation

Kubernetes Scanning Activity

Kubernetes Sensitive Object Access Activity

Kubernetes Sensitive Role Activity

Cloud Compute Instance Created By Previously Unseen User

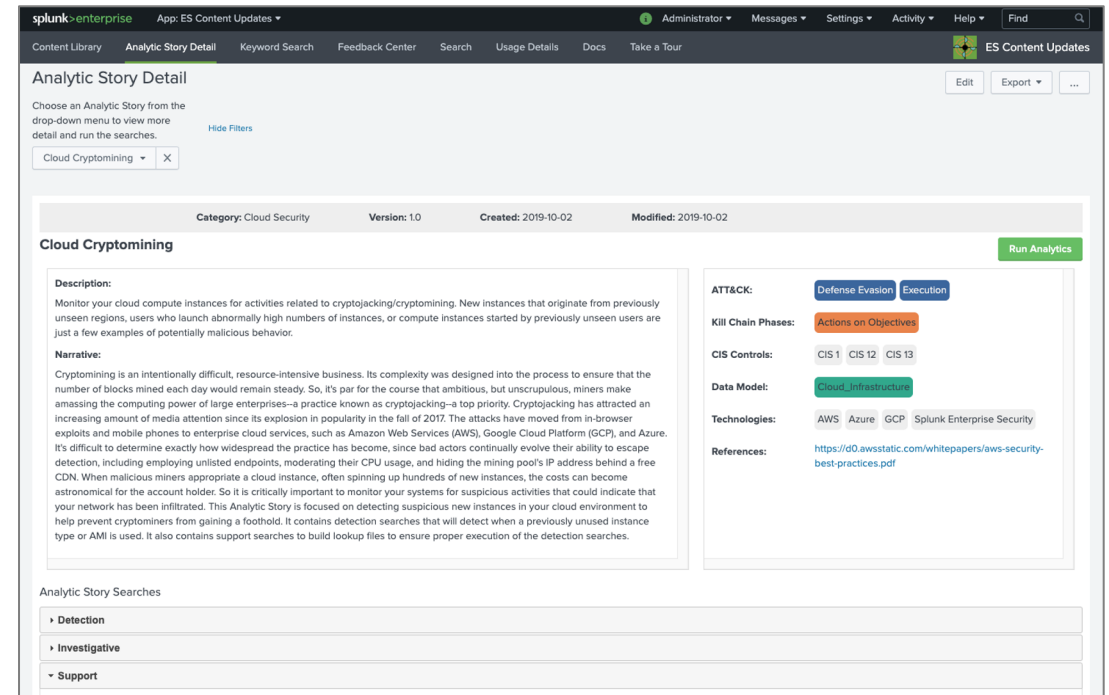
Cloud Compute Instance Created With Previously Unseen Image

Cloud Compute Instance Started In Previously Unused Region

Investigate Cloud Compute Instance Activities

Investigate User Activities in All Cloud Regions

Investigate User Activities in Single Cloud Region



The screenshot displays the 'Analytic Story Detail' page for 'Cloud Cryptomining' in the Splunk ES Content Updates app. The interface includes a top navigation bar with 'splunk>enterprise' and 'App: ES Content Updates'. Below the navigation bar, there's a 'Content Library' section with 'Analytic Story Detail' selected. The main content area shows the story details for 'Cloud Cryptomining', including its category (Cloud Security), version (1.0), creation date (2019-10-02), and modification date (2019-10-02). A 'Run Analytics' button is visible. The story description explains that it monitors cloud compute instances for activities related to cryptomining. The narrative section provides a detailed background on cryptomining, its complexity, and the challenges of detecting it. On the right side, there are sections for 'ATT&CK' (Defense Evasion, Execution), 'Kill Chain Phases' (Actions on Objectives), 'CIS Controls' (CIS 1, CIS 12, CIS 13), 'Data Model' (Cloud\_Infrastructure), 'Technologies' (AWS, Azure, GCP, Splunk Enterprise Security), and 'References' (a link to an AWS whitepaper). At the bottom, there's a section for 'Analytic Story Searches' with tabs for Detection, Investigative, and Support.

Category: Cloud Security

Version: 1

Created: 2020-05-20

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Kubernetes Sensitive Object Access Activity

Run Analytics

Description:

This story addresses detection and response of accounts acccesing Kubernetes cluster sensitive objects such as configmaps or secrets providing information on items such as user user, group. object, namespace and authorization reason.

Narrative:

Kubernetes is the most used container orchestration platform, this orchestration platform contains sensitive objects within its architecture, specifically configmaps and secrets, if accessed by an attacker can lead to further compromise. These searches allow operator to detect suspicious requests against Kubernetes

ATT&CK:

Kill Chain Phases:

Lateral Movement

CIS Controls:

Data Model:

References:

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Kubernetes Sensitive Role Activity

Run Analytics

Description:

This story addresses detection and response around Sensitive Role usage within a Kubernetes clusters against cluster resources and namespaces.

Narrative:

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# Splunk Helps By:

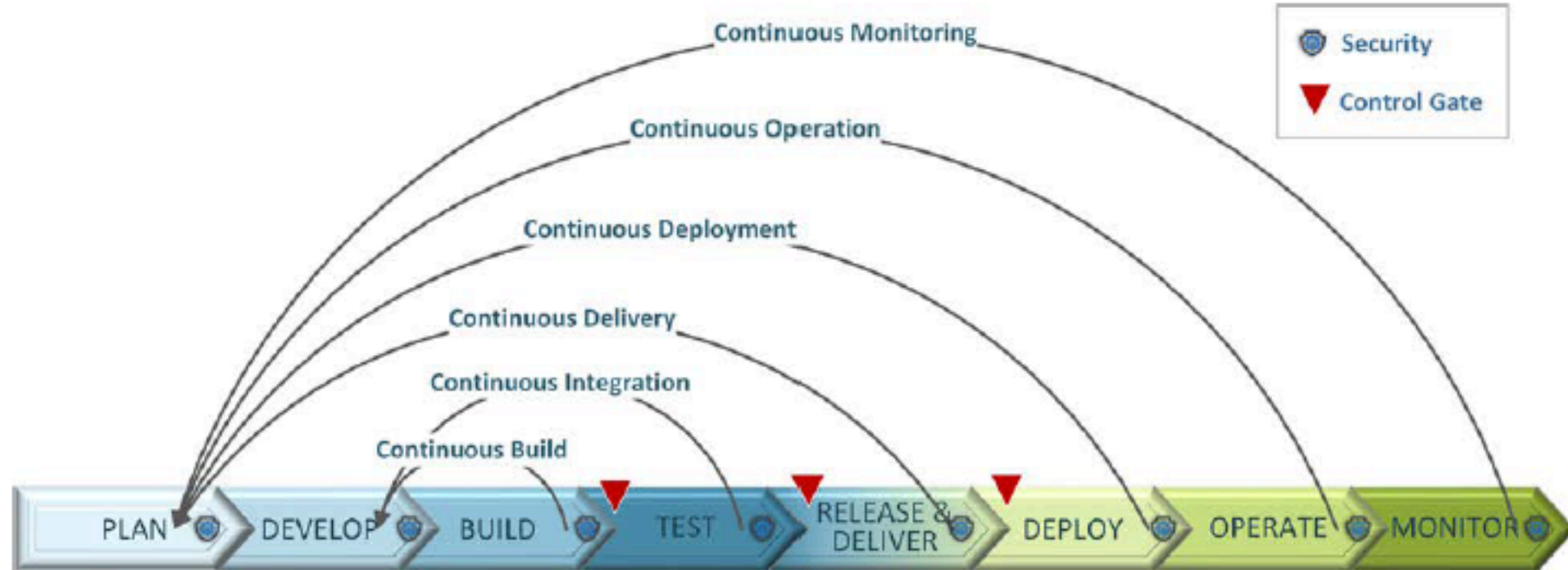
- Creating visibility into the delivery chain from Dev to Prod
- Help identify configuration drift between Dev and Prod
- Support shared accountability for Security
- Give application level context for incident response
- Make the “shift-left” concept sustainable

# Getting Started

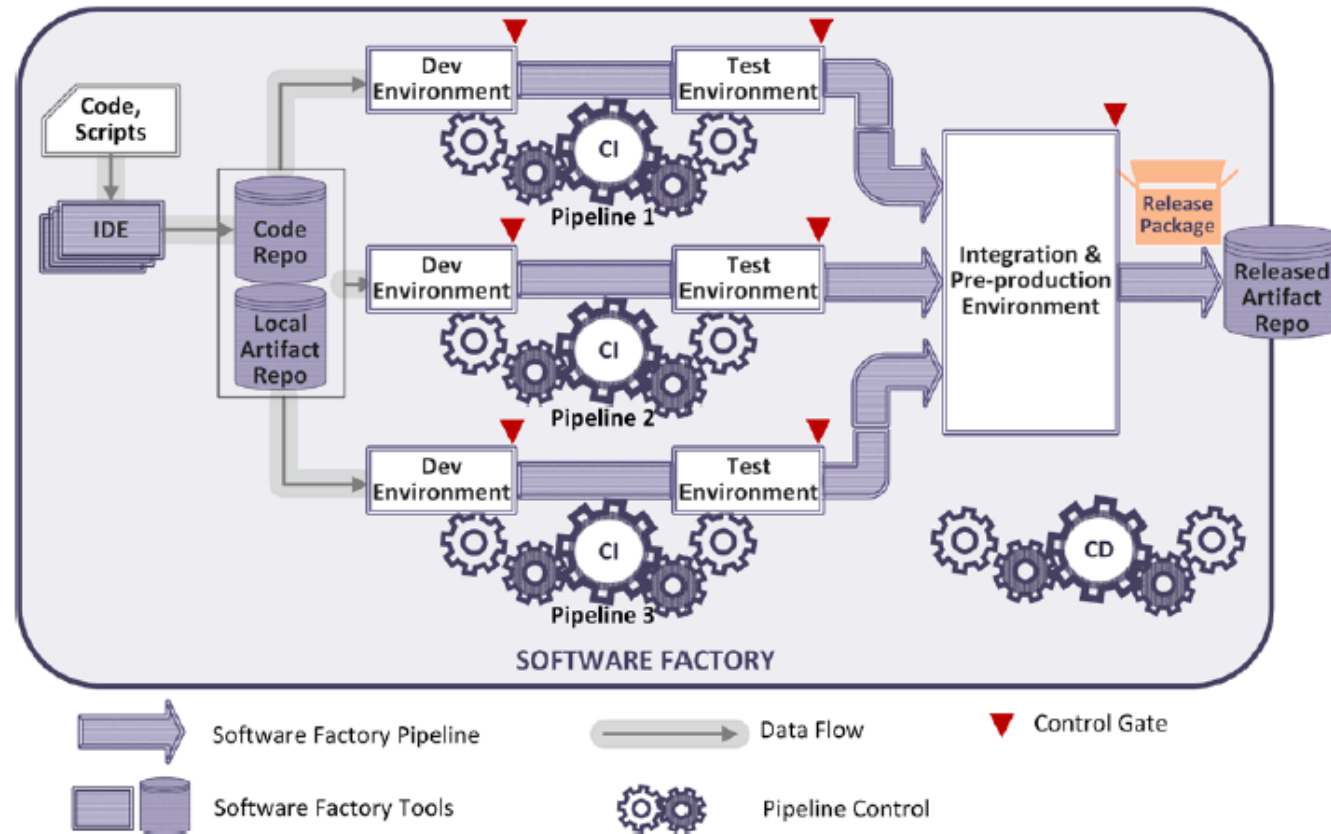
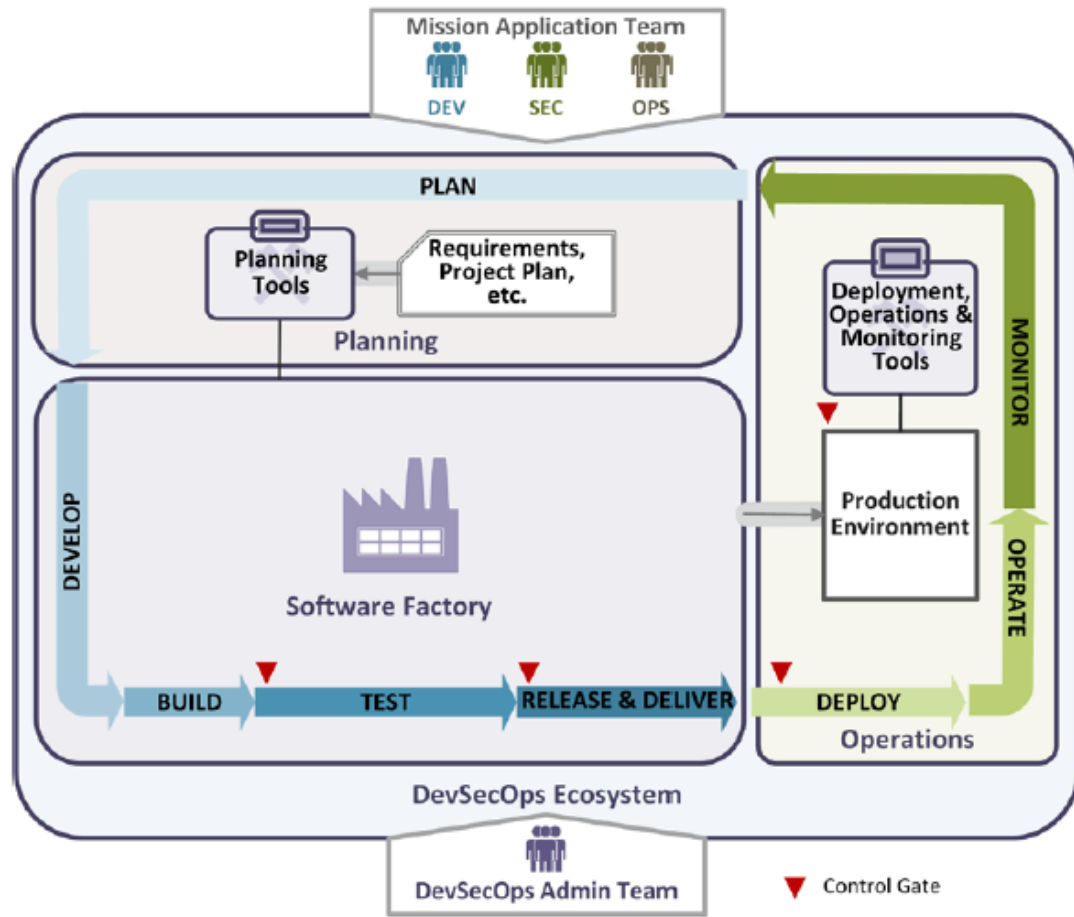
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# Start Collecting Data

# Plan the Pipeline



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# Summary

## 1) DevSecOps - Core Mission

Mindset + Org integration

Not just toolset

## 2) How Splunk Helps Today

Get visibility into entire process

Leverage Automation

Focus on the metrics important to your organization

## 3) Take the first step, and stay in motion

Leverage existing tools

Consult Existing Reference Designs

# Thank you!

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