



DevOps een onzekere toekomst of een uitdaging?

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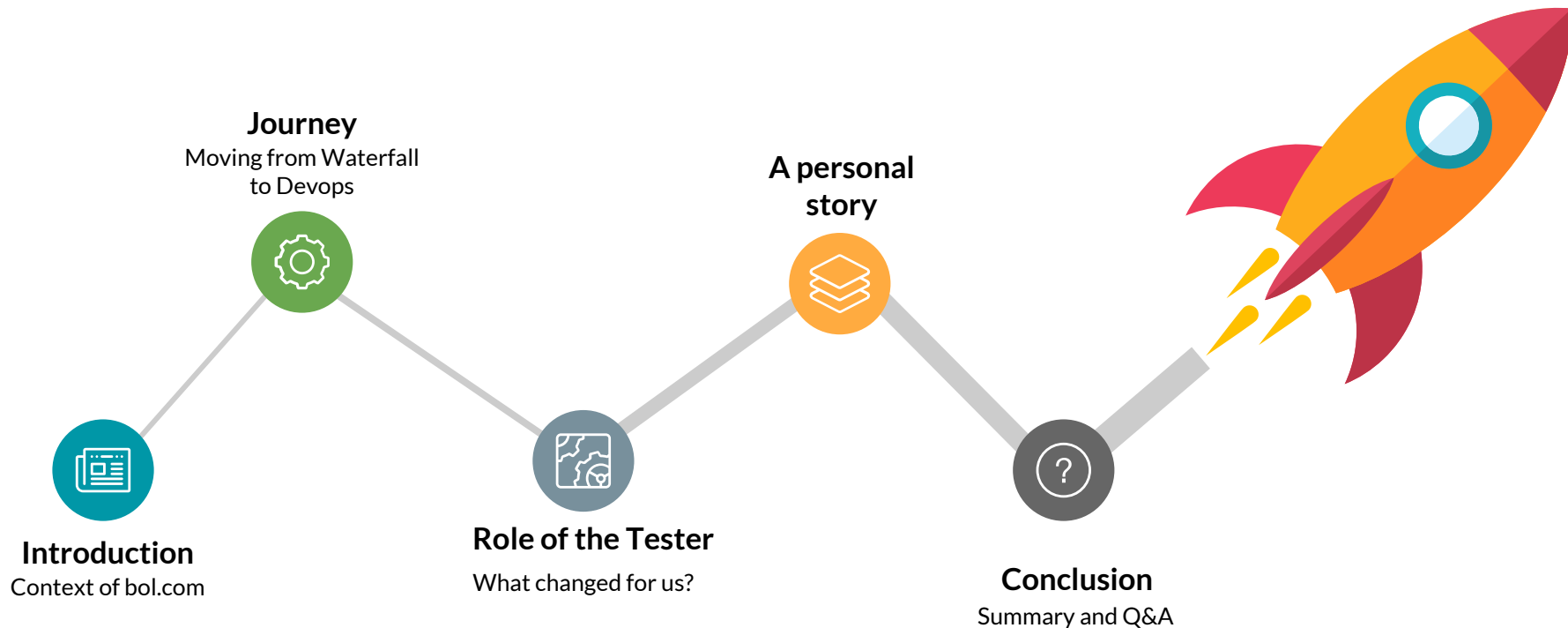


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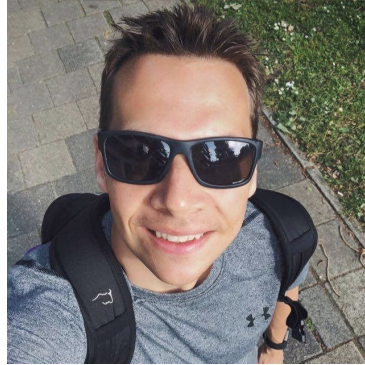
- Sharing experiences of each of our companies
- Use your mobile phone to give your input

Agenda



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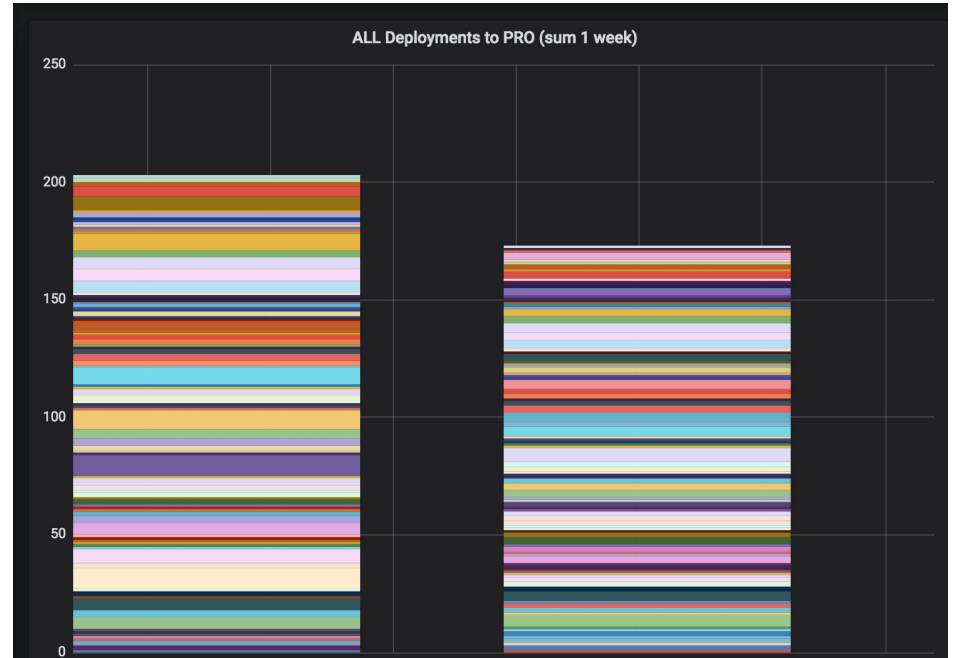
bol.com facts and figures

- 8+ million active customers
- 16+ million products
- 1400+ employees
- Location Utrecht



IT facts and figures

- 380+ people in the IT department
- 60+ Scrum teams
- 600+ microservices + legacy
- 180+ deployments per week
- In-house development





Our challenges at the time

Business and IT

Challenges for bol.com



Time to market



Rapid growth

Issues for the Business

- Unable to respond fast enough to the market
- Way too many dependencies
- Bug fixes take weeks



Issues for Scrum teams

- Test environment not available/frozen/broken
- Complete dependence on operations for deployments
- Feedback loops really long
- No insight into software running in production

Bottom line

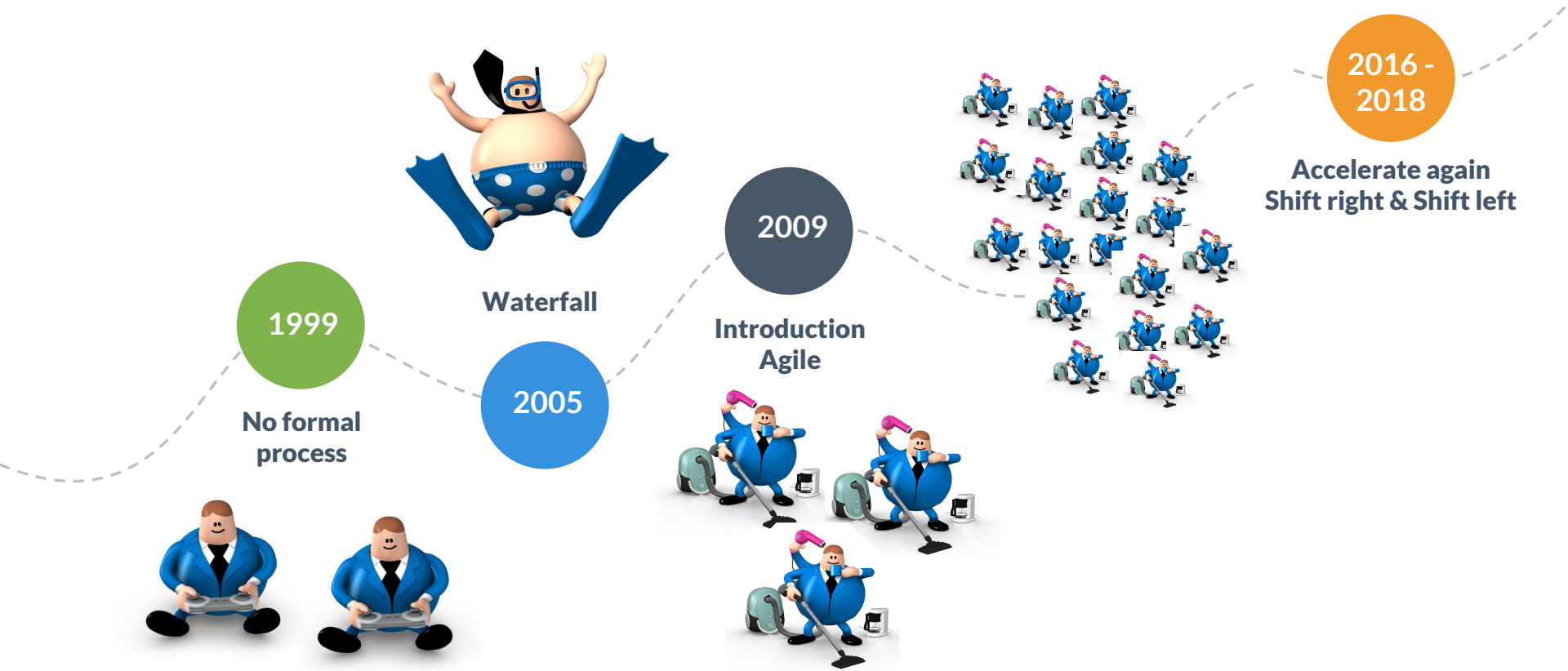
IT is not helping the business to reach their goals



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Shifting both left & right

Development Process

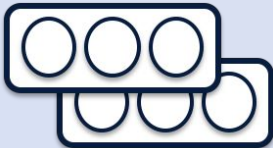
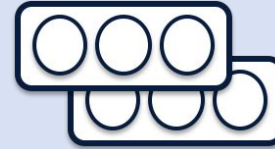


Organisation “Before”

Business



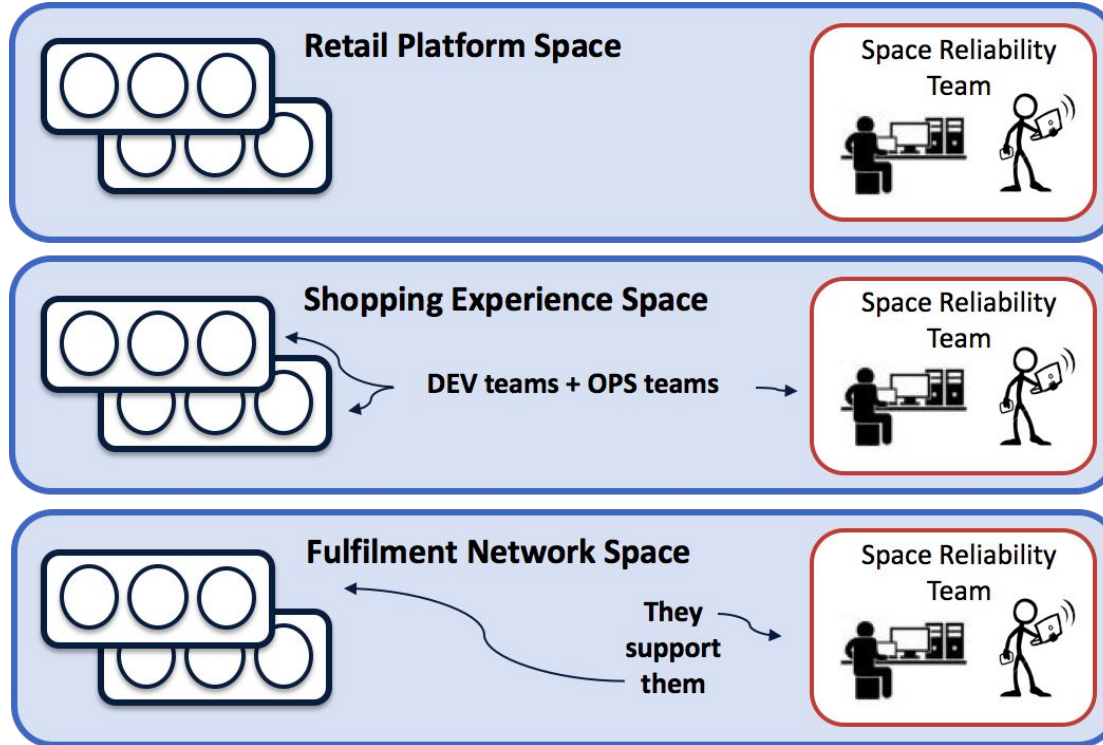
IT Development



IT Operations



Organisation “After”



You build it, you run it, you love it!



I love it!

What did DevOps mean for Testers?



Knowledge from OPS to DEV



Alerting & Responsibility

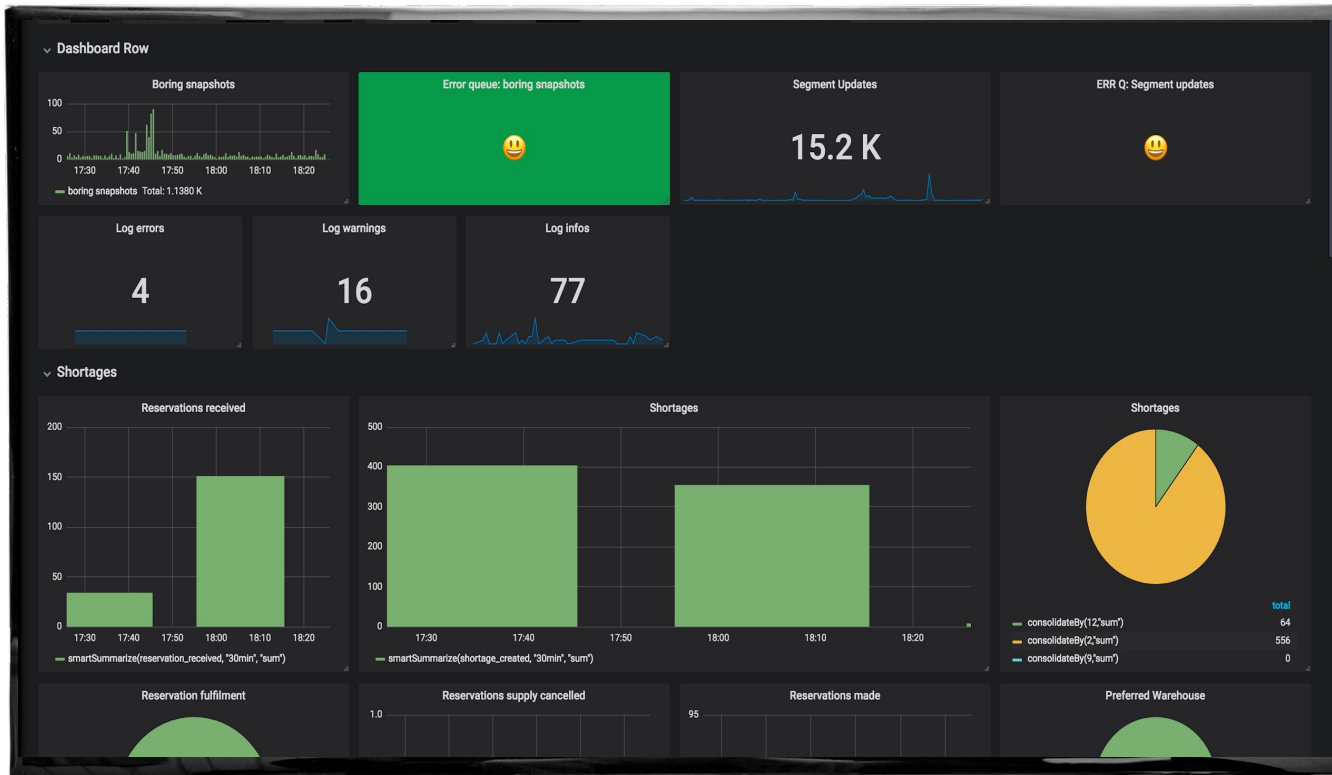


Rights to push the button!



Monitoring

Metrics



Alerting



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There are no alerts!

Results

- New responsibilities encouraged adoption of DevOps
- Software Quality becomes extremely visible (and painful!)
- Teams get better feedback from PRO



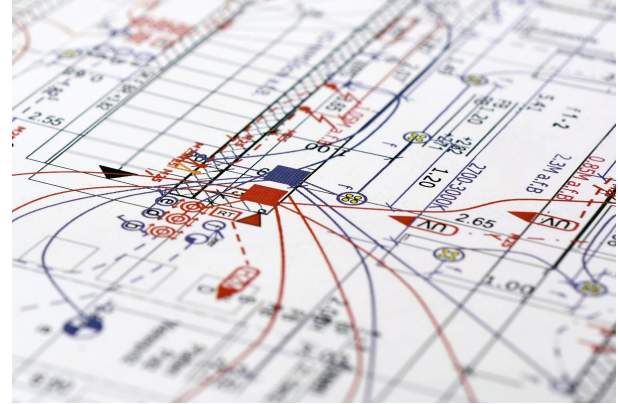
Testing in isolated environments

Shift left

Changes with a big influence on testing

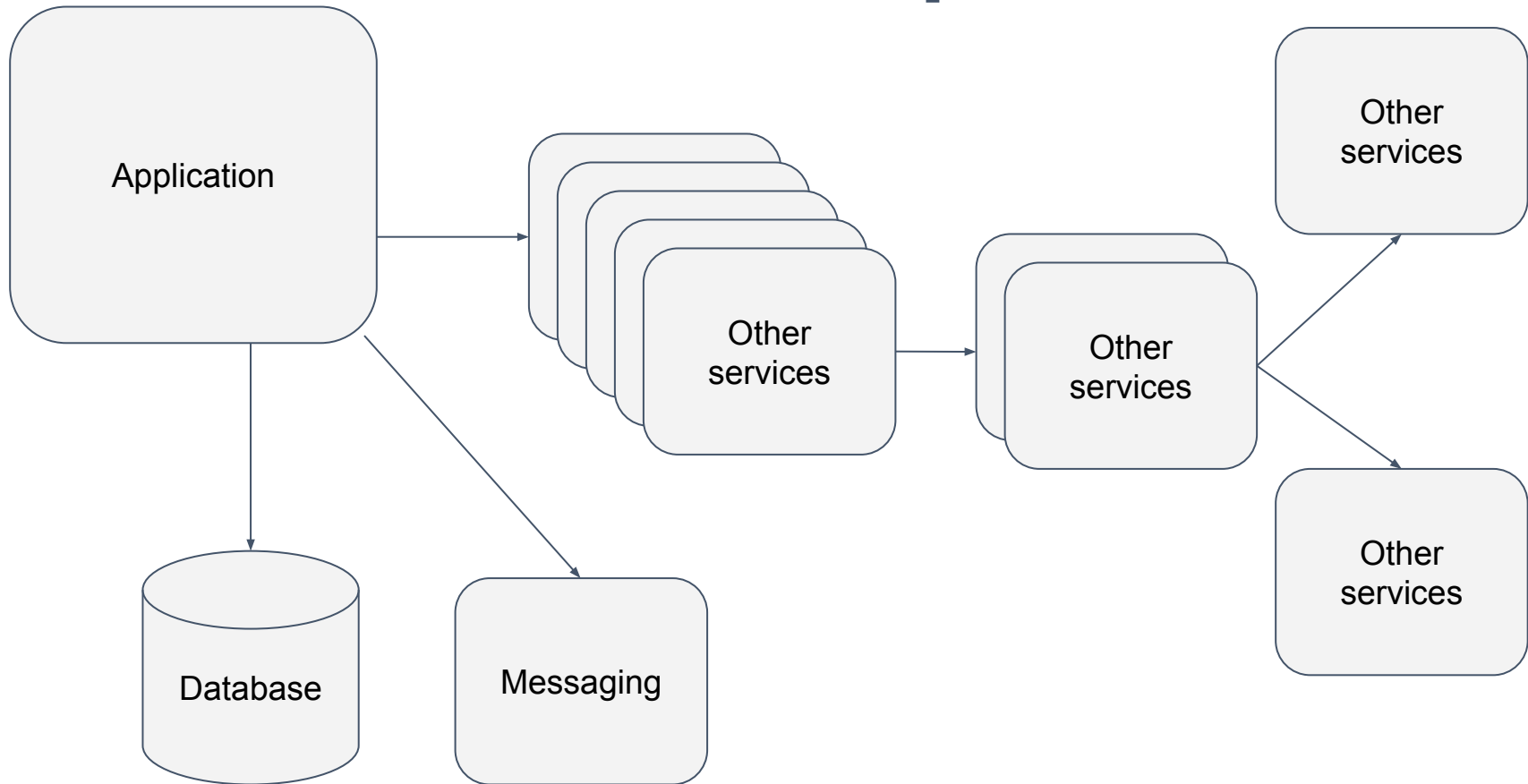


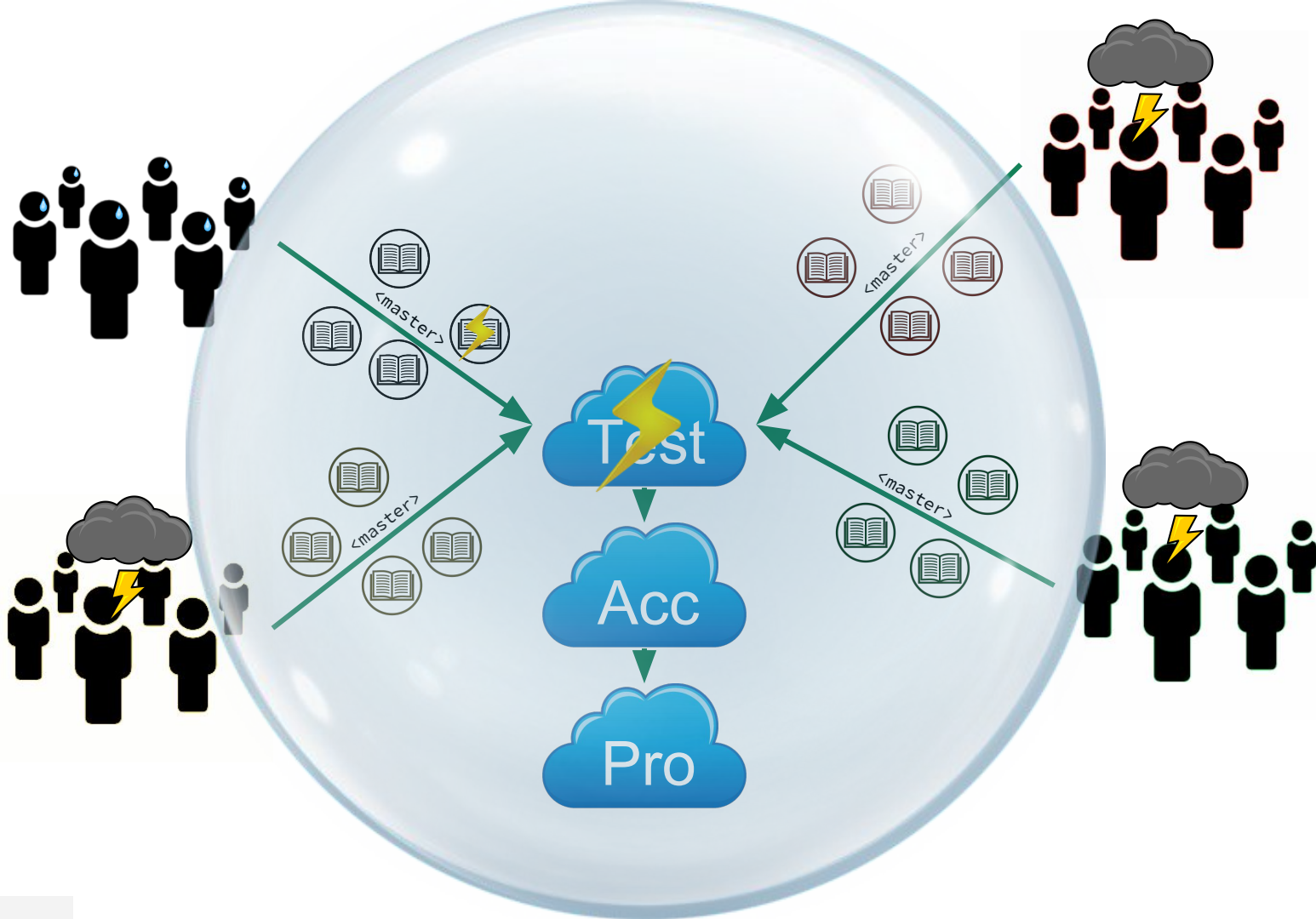
DevOps
(shift right)



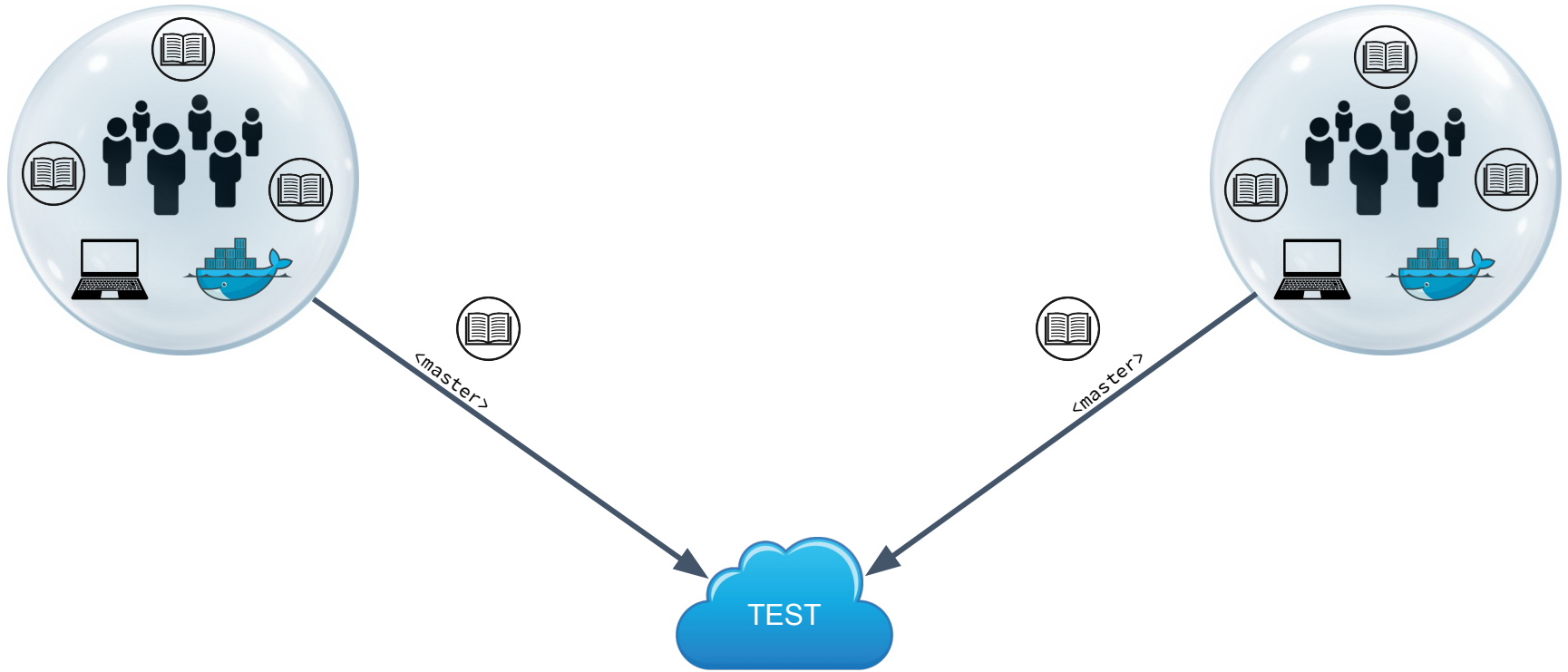
Service Oriented
Architecture (SOA)

What was the problem?

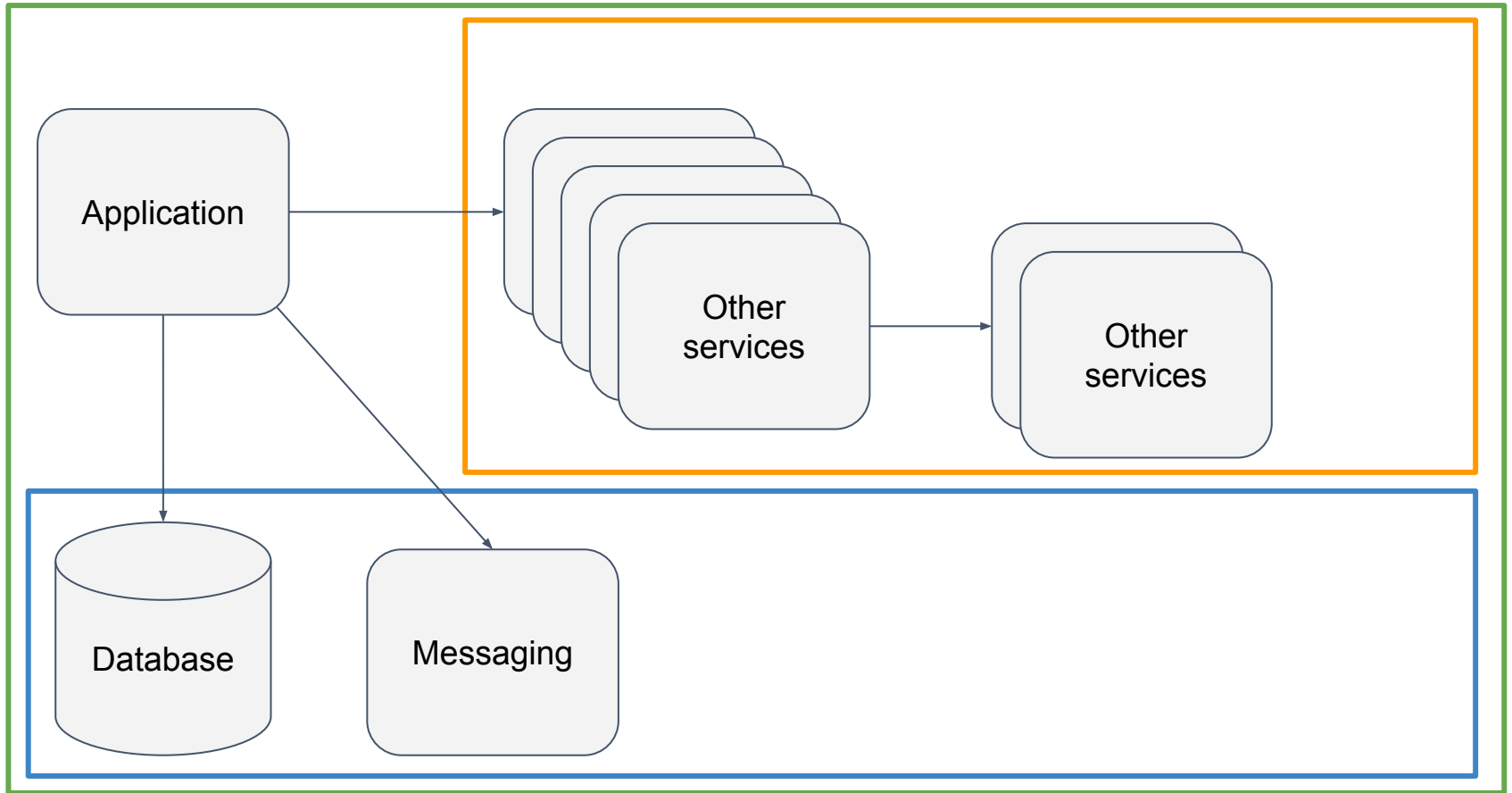




Isolated environments

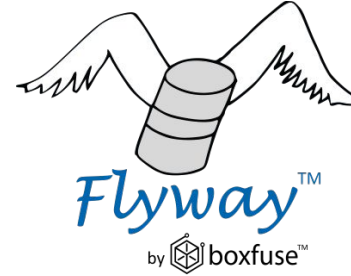
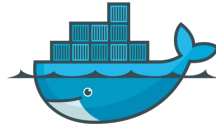


What are we isolating?



Tools

- Docker
- Database migrations
- Maven docker:plugin
- Wiremock



Benefits of testing in isolated environments

- Speed up your feedback cycle from days to minutes
- Isolate yourself from others and isolate others from you
- Taking full control of your own test environment and test data
- Get rid of the “works on my machine” syndrome
- Improvement of the quality of the software you deliver

Other benefits for testing

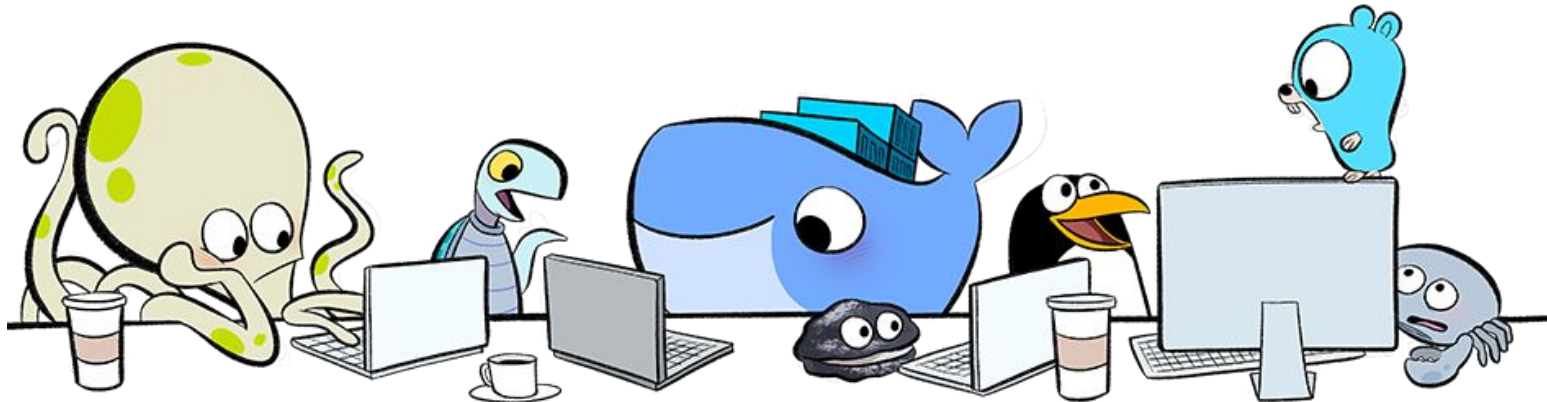
- Testing as a team responsibility (same tools)
- Testing is part of the user story
- Learn more about your application
- Testing the resilience of your application

Some lessons learned

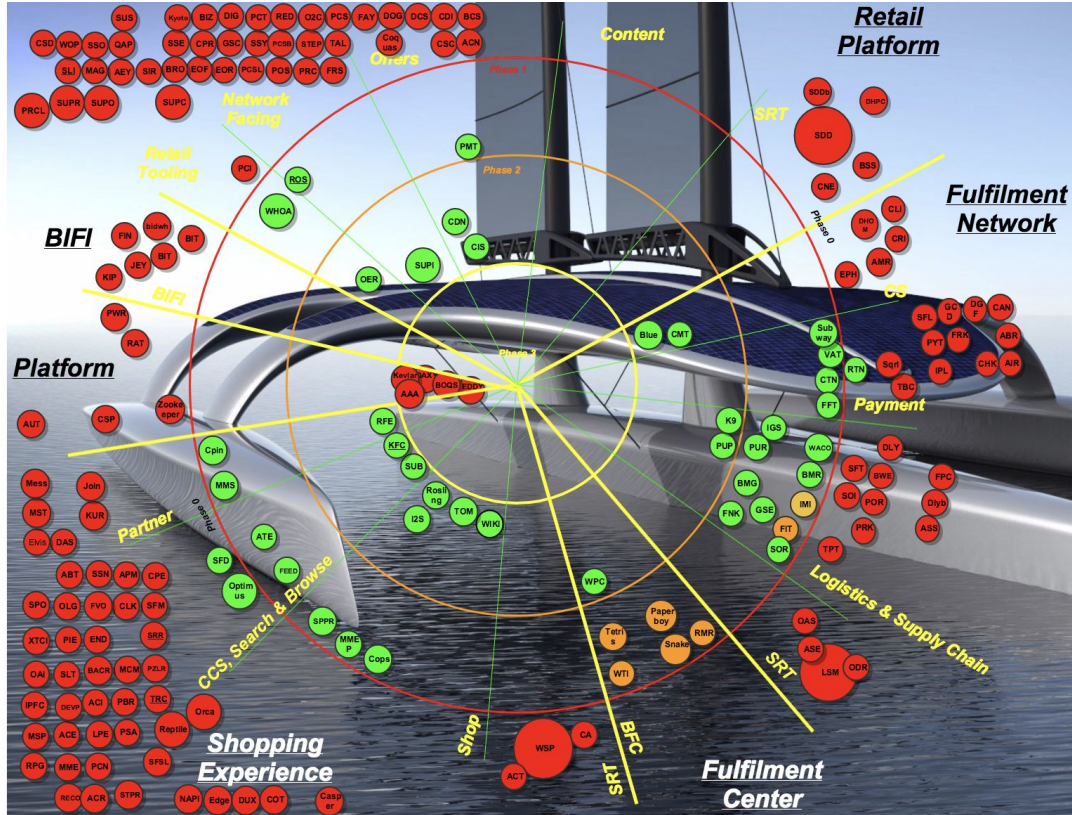
- Run tests in parallel (as much as possible)
- Really isolate your tests
- Make integration tests part of the build
- **Just Do It! Then learn and adapt**

Training: docker-for-testers

“Introduction training on Docker and how to create isolated environments.”



Maturity program



Test Autonomy

Moon to Mars

when environments are:

- Isolated
- Fast to create and destroy
- Highly controlled
- Production-like

then tests become:

- Providers of fast feedback
- Easier to maintain
- Reliable
- Non-intrusive

Phase 1: Isolation

Docker
 Stubs
 Fast feedback
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Phase 2: Integration

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 Ownership
 Proper test data

 Test the right risks in the right place

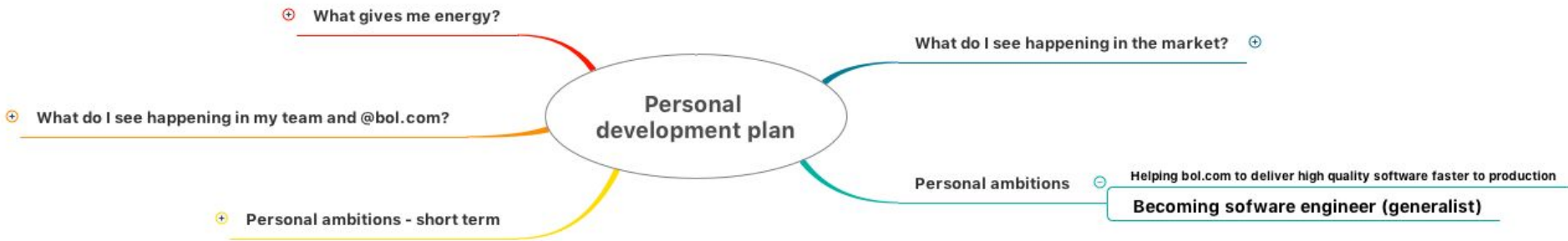
Start your journey today!



Test engineer to SW engineer

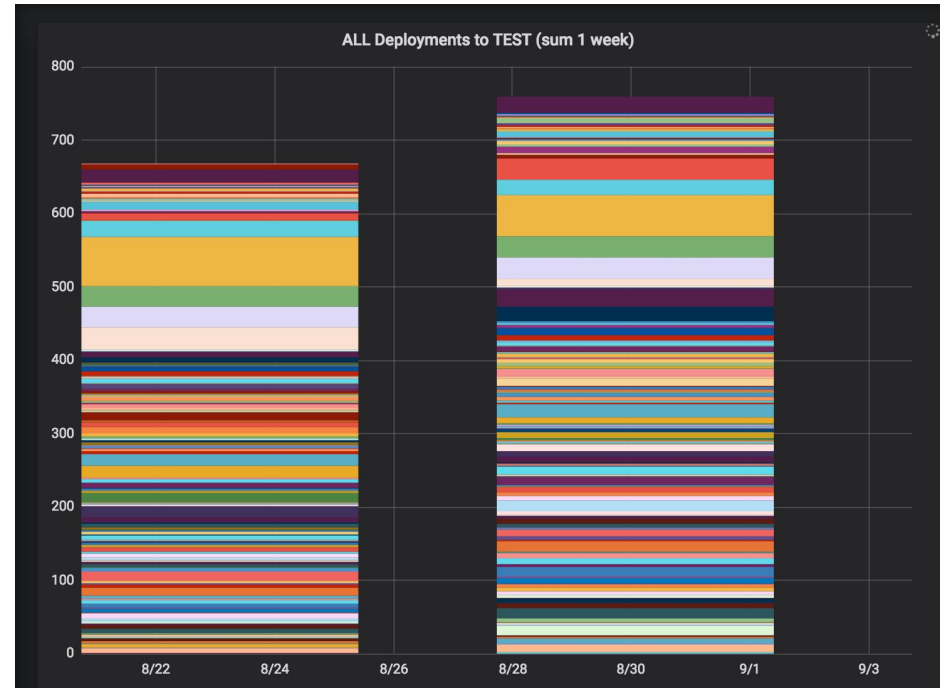
My personal journey so far

Personal plan



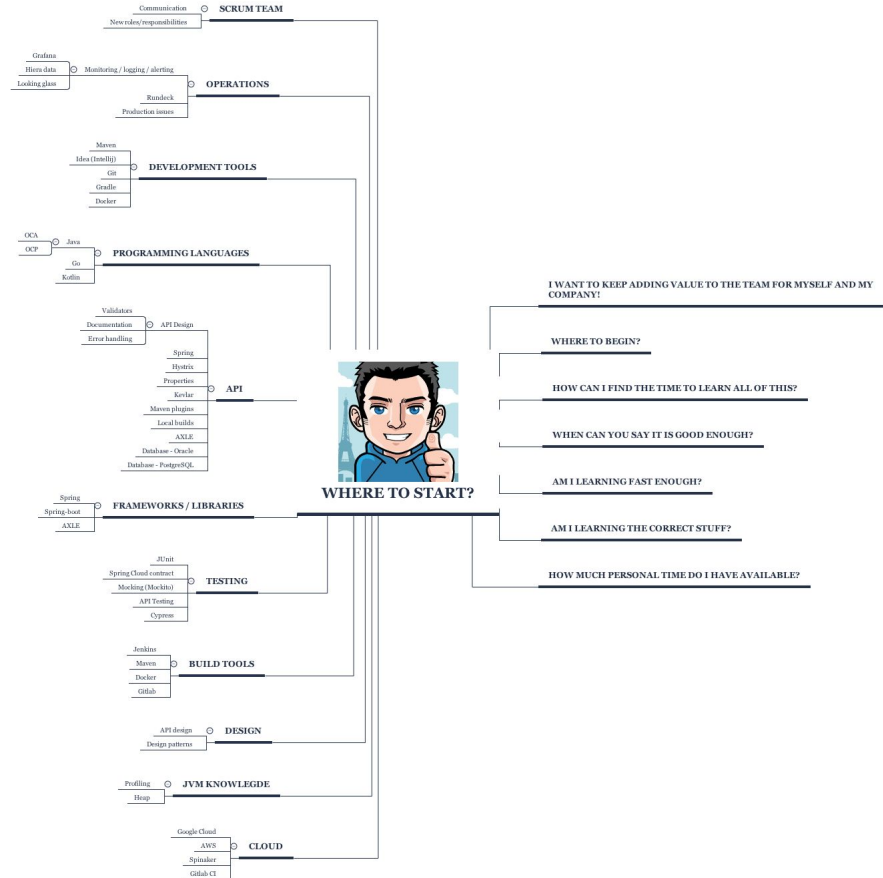
Why did I make this change?

- 180+ deployments per week PRO
- 700+ deployments per week TEST
- I wanted the technical challenge
- Learn to write application code



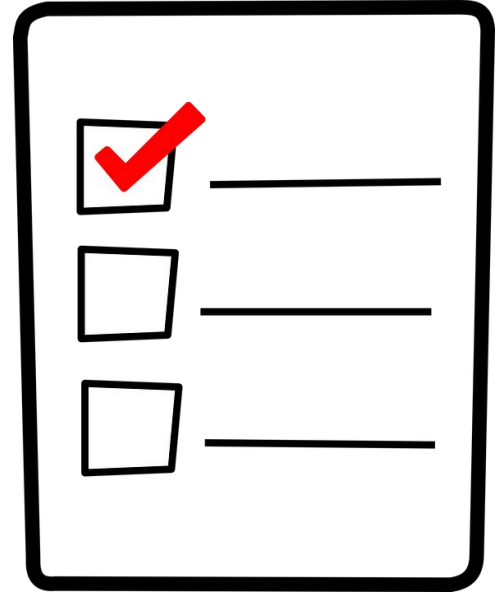
Where to start?

- A lot of questions
- Some doubts
- Really a lot to learn

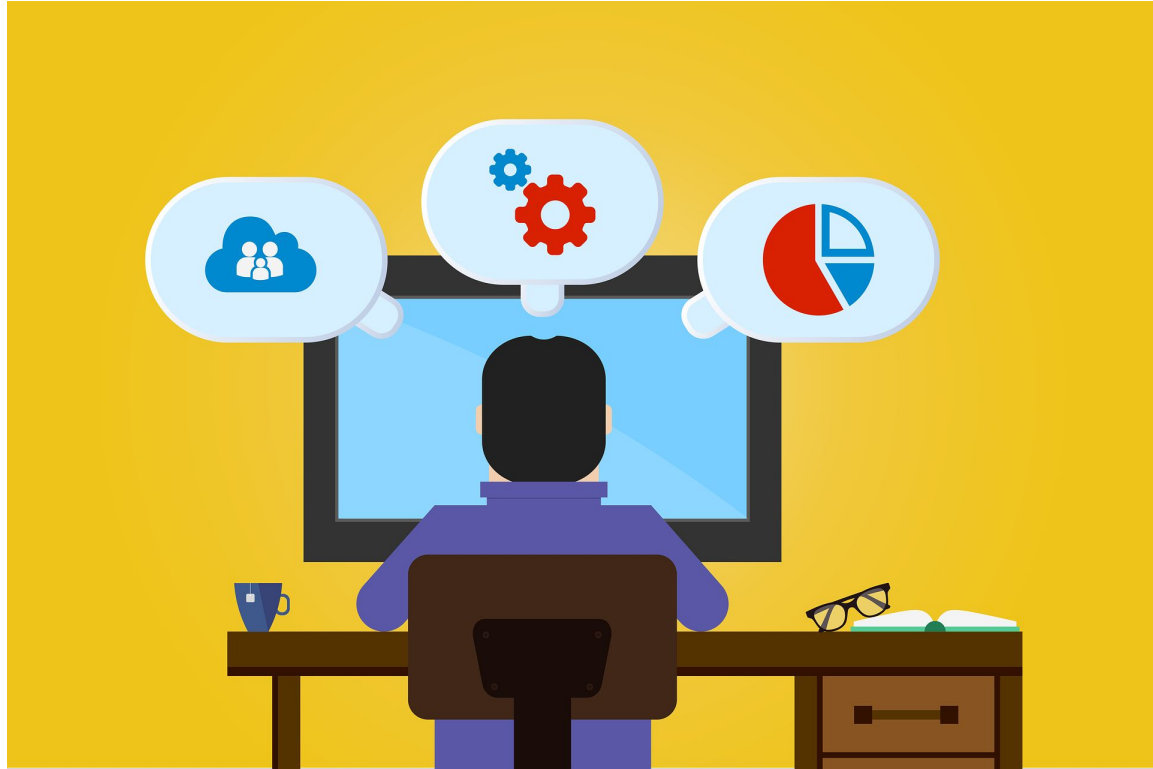


Making a list

1. Basic Java Oracle Certified Associate Java (OCA)
2. Basic Kotlin
3. Basic Maven
4. Build tools (Gitlab CI, Jenkins)
5. Basic Spring (Boot)
6. Oracle/PG database integration JDBC
7. Testing frameworks (Mockito, Spring Cloud Contract, Spring test)
8. ...



Planning (long & short term)



On track?

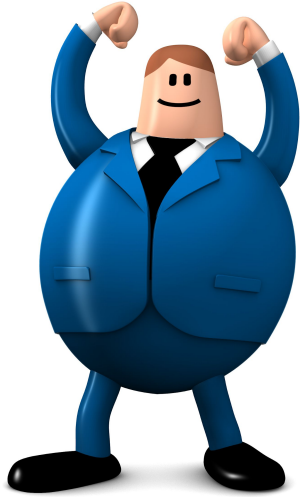


Measure



Challenge

Support



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Colleagues



Coach



What's happening elsewhere?

*“... the software testing field is in
the midst of a period of extreme change.”*

-- The Future of Software Testing
(a report by QASymphony)

Let's get one thing clear...



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Replying to @lanettecream and 2 others

If you've been writing test code, you are a developer. You just happen to specialise in the domain of testing, just like some developers specialise in the domain of finance.

8:20 PM - Sep 1, 2018



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Evaluating software value



Alan Page

@alanpage



Replying to @ard_kramer and 2 others

No, the only person able to evaluate the value of software is the end-user. A person playing the role of a tester can be a proxy, but it's only a guess.

3:24 PM - Aug 30, 2018



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“TEs need to be involved as engineers to remain first-class citizens.

...a mix of technical skills that developers respect and a user facing focus...”

-- How Google Tests Software

Modern Testing Principles



1. Our priority is improving the business.
2. We accelerate the team, and use models like Lean Thinking and the Theory of Constraints to help identify, prioritize and mitigate bottlenecks from the system.
3. We are a force for continuous improvement, helping the team adapt and optimize in order to succeed, rather than providing a safety net to catch failures.
4. We care deeply about the quality culture of our team, and we coach, lead, and nurture the team towards a more mature quality culture.
5. We believe that the customer is the only one capable to judge and evaluate the quality of our product
6. We use data extensively to deeply understand customer usage and then close the gaps between product hypotheses and business impact.
7. We expand testing abilities and knowhow across the team; understanding that this may reduce (or eliminate) the need for a dedicated testing specialist.

Transformation of testing role



Information Provider



Quality Accelerant

Time for testing

Time between releases

Time available for testing

Months to Weeks

Several days of manual testing to find bugs

Weeks to Days

Days to Hours

Every commit

Absolute reliance on fully automated pipelines

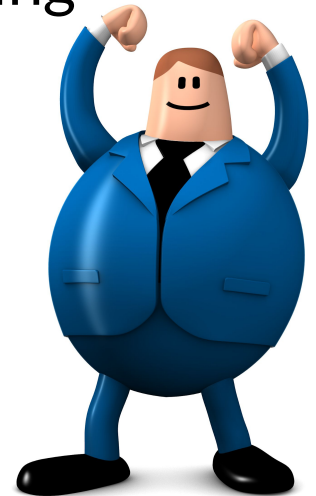




Conclusion

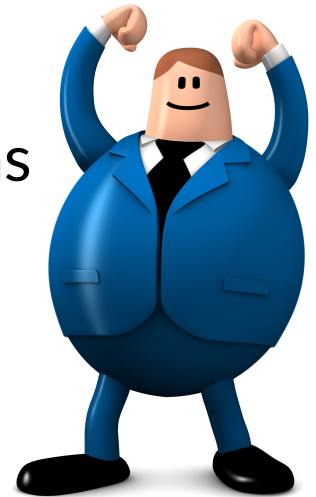
Impact on testing

- More testing in isolation
- More upskilling technical skills of a test engineer
- More “testing in production” to cover risks
- More SWE are taking responsibility for testing
- More the customer is the only one suitable to judge the quality
- More data driven decision making
- More...



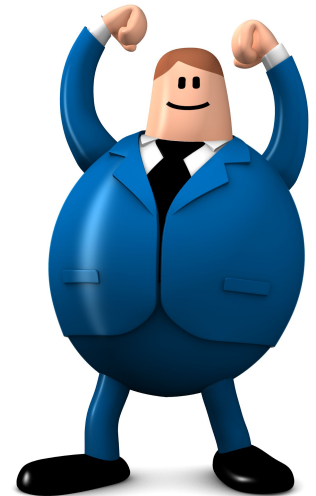
Impact on testing

- Less exhaustive up-front testing
- Less slow end-to-end testing
- Less using tools that are unfit for purpose
- Less gatekeeping by testers
- Less dedicated test specialists on agile teams
- Less...



Learnings

- Massive improvement in our time to market
- Testing becomes a shared team responsibility
- It's all about mindset, not tools
- Developing software with autonomy, adding more value, while having more fun!





Time for questions

An aerial photograph of Paris, France, centered on the Arc de Triomphe. The monument is a large, white, neoclassical archway standing in the middle of a circular roundabout. The surrounding city is densely packed with buildings, mostly with grey roofs, and interspersed with green trees. The Seine River is visible in the upper left corner. The lighting suggests a bright, sunny day.

Bedankt!

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