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SUPERIOR MISSION SYSTEMS

Faster, Resilient, Secure & More Affordable Dave Manley, Chief Mission Systems Architect February 27, 2018

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Emerging Requirements Are More Demanding

- Faster change velocities (sustainable)
- Better resiliency with higher availability
- Cybersecurity must outpace threats
- All within limited or reduced budgets

The challenge is monotonically increasing

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The Critical Decision



The architecture decision determines a mission system's obtainable performance

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Achieving Higher Availability Downtime Allowed

Availability %	Downtime per day	Downtime per month	Downtime per year	Downtime per 3 years	Downtime per 5 years	Downtime per 10 years	Downtime per 25 years
90% ("one nine")	2.4 hours	72 hours	36.5 days	109.5 days	182.5 days	1 year	2.5 years
99% ("two nines")	14.4 minutes	7.20 hours	3.65 days	10.95 days	18.25 days	36.5 days	91.25 days
99.9% ("three nines")	1.44 minutes	43.8 minutes	8.76 hours	1.095 days	1.825 days	3.65 days	9.125 days
99.99% ("four nines")	8.64 seconds	4.38 minutes	52.56 minutes	2.628 hours	4.38 hours	8.76 hours	21.9 hours
99.999% ("five nines")	864.3 milliseconds	25.9 seconds	5.26 minutes	15.78 minutes	26.3 minutes	52.6 minutes	2.19 hours
99.9999% ("six nines")	86.4 milliseconds	2.59 seconds	31.5 seconds	1.575 minutes	2.625 minutes	5.25 minutes	13.125 minutes
99.99999% ("seven nines")	8.64 milliseconds	262.97 milliseconds	3.15 seconds	9.45 seconds	15.75 seconds	31.5 seconds	1.3125 minutes
99.999999% ("eight nines")	0.864 milliseconds	26.297 milliseconds	315.7 milliseconds	947.0 milliseconds	1.5785 seconds	3.157 seconds	7.8925 seconds
99.9999999% ("nine nines")	0.0864 milliseconds	2.6297 milliseconds	31.5569 milliseconds	94.6707 milliseconds	157.7845 milliseconds	315.569 milliseconds	788.9225 milliseconds

Always constrained by available funding, technology, and technique

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The Resiliency Triad



Fragile things don't like volatility

- They easily break under stress
- Over time, they fail, erode, deteriorate
- e.g., wine glasses, pottery, eggs

Robust things appear immune to volatility

- They <u>resist</u> stress
- But when they fail, they do so spectacularly
- e.g., castles, Lehman Brothers, Maginot Line

Anti-fragile things enjoy volatility

- They **benefit** from stress
- Over time, they evolve, improve, get better
- e.g., vaccines, athletes, silicon valley

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The Microservices Architecture "Secret Sauce" Modularity

Decompose application into modular set of services with **Bounded Contexts**

- Refer to Domain-Driven Design (DDD): Eric Evans (2003) & Vaughn Vernon (2013)
- Eliminate dependencies
 - Enforce implementation <u>guidelines</u> (e.g., event sourcing, aggregates, responsibility segregation, etc.)
 - Foster <u>independent</u> development, deployment, scaling, and technology stack choices
 - Pursue <u>simplicity</u> to ease learning, debugging, and enhancement



Modularity facilitates disaggregation, redundancy, and geographic separation



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Additional Keys to Achieving Tougher Requirements

Disaggregation, Redundancy, Separation, Isolation, Awareness, Automation, and Testing



- Establish resiliency via disaggregation, redundancy, separation and isolation of services
- Realize continual awareness of entire stack
 - Characterize historic normal conditions, analyze current conditions, and merge results constantly
- Create robust continuous integration / continuous delivery (CI-CD) automation pipelines
- Establish and continuously improve self-healing and robust Defensive Cyberspace Operations (DCO) near real-time remediation capabilities
- Implement chaos testing and continuous security assurance

Continuously prove your implementation is anti-fragile and secure

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"I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."

Michael Jordan

Cyber Chaos Testing

- Assume everything will fail
- Force failure to validate resiliency
- Don't wait for random failure, remove its uncertainty by forcing it periodically
 - Seek confidence that single failure points don't exist
 - Seek confidence that cascading failure vulnerabilities do not exist
 - Seek confidence that self-healing automation works
 - Seek confidence that DCO capabilities are robust
- Getting stronger through failure is the basis of anti-fragility

Avoiding failure at all costs makes you brittle, vulnerable, slow, and expensive

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Rapid Response Essential



Netflix Chief Architect:

"The Chaos Monkey's job is to **randomly kill instances and services** within our architecture. If we aren't constantly testing our ability to succeed despite failure, then it isn't likely to work when it matters most – in the event of an unexpected outage."

Unlike ships, with software you can automatically replace a "flooded bulkhead" in <u>milliseconds</u> and the rest of the system is none-the-wiser

If one component fails, but does not cascade, the problem can be isolated and healed/remediated while the rest of the system keeps working

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"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then is not an act but a habit."

Aristotle

Economic Benefit Sources

- **Operational efficiency** due to reductions in resources allocated to development operations
- Increased **developer productivity** resulting from automation and elimination of unexpected dependencies
- Decreased downtime due to higher quality software that is secure by default, which allows for better mission support and higher mission satisfaction
- Ability to support mission growth through shortened release cycles and faster response times to market dynamics

Significantly lower life-cycle costs are typically achieved

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"It's not whether you get knocked down. It's whether you get up."

Vince Lombardi

Summary

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