

# Automated performance and tuning on a Mainframe as part of DevOps pipeline

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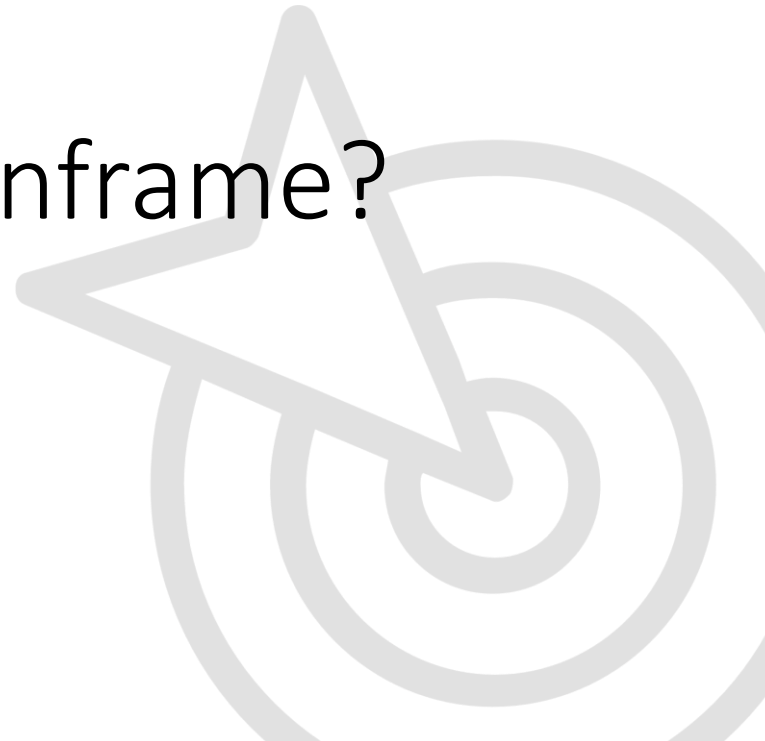
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# Agenda

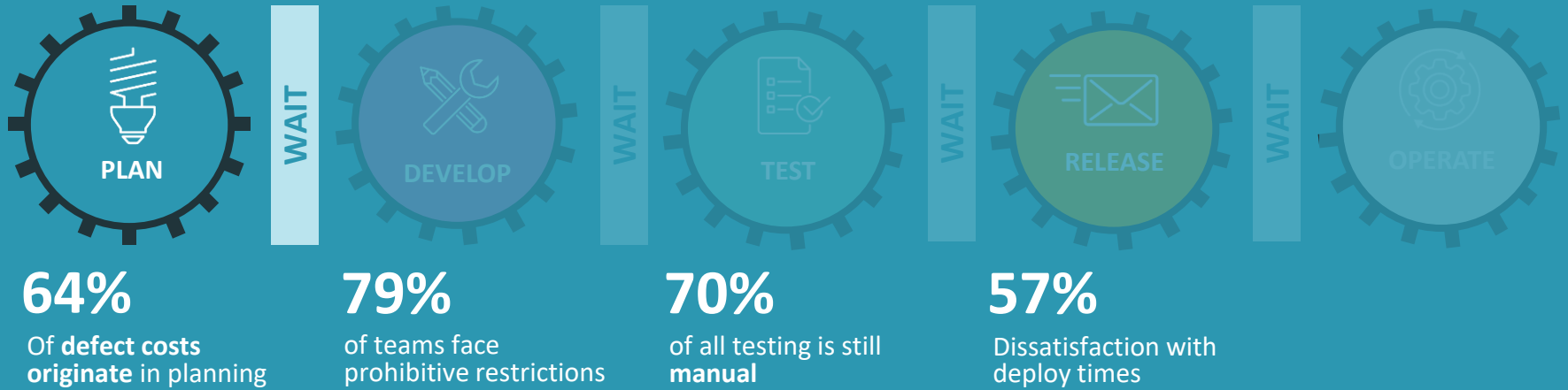
- 1 WHY DO DEVOPS ON A MAINFRAME?
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- 5 WHAT IF? DISCUSSING FUTURE USECASES
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# Why DevOps on a mainframe?



# Existing Methodologies Are Not Keeping Pace

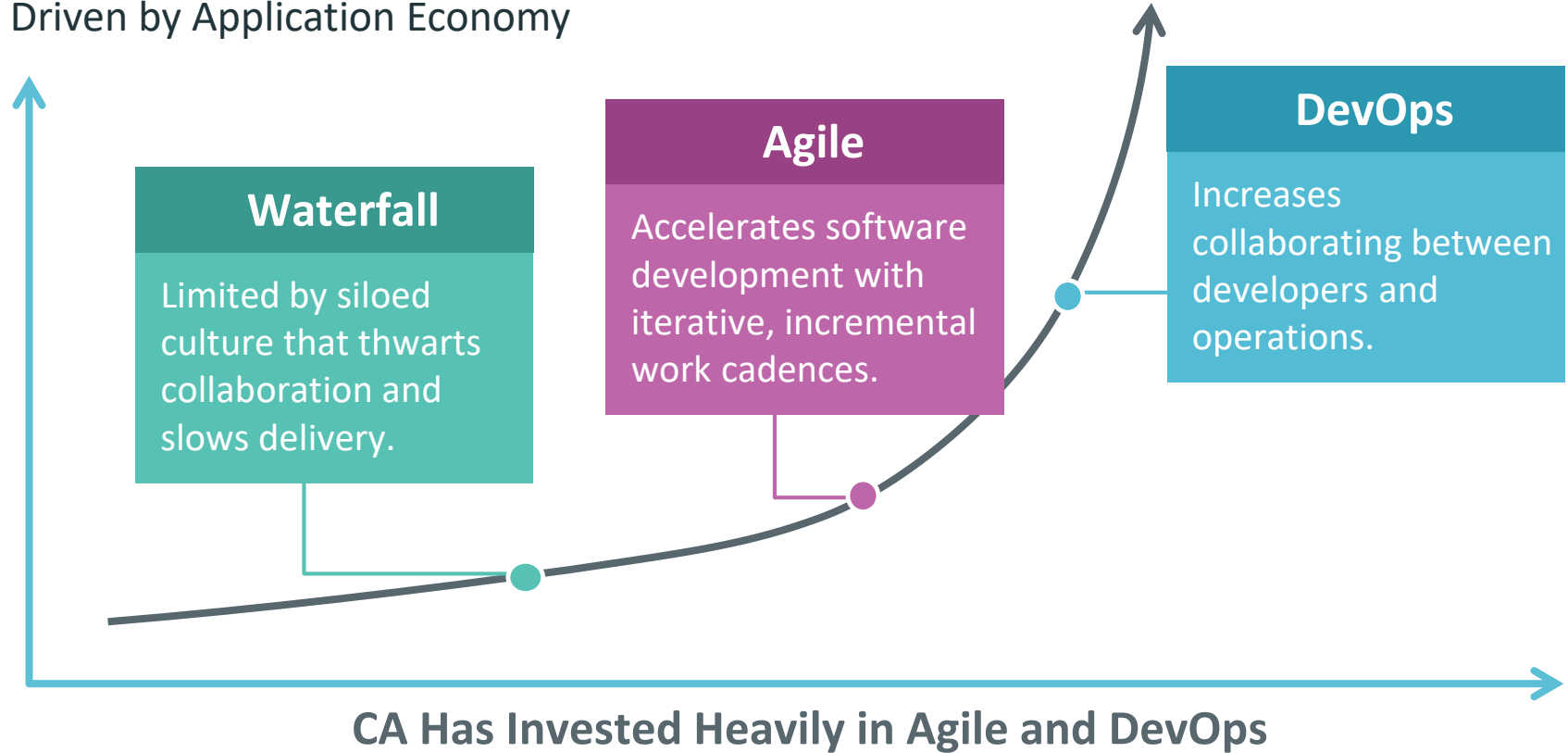
## WATERFALL



One way, waterfall method causes work delays at each phase of SDLC

# Companies Are Evolving to Agile and DevOps Practices

Driven by Application Economy

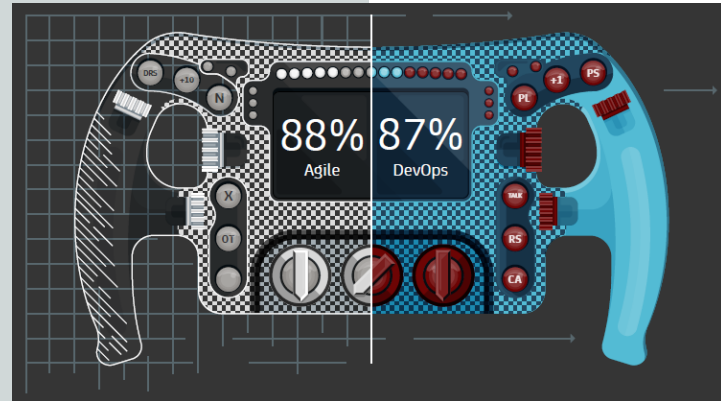


# Agile and DevOps: Accelerating Digital Transformation

Agile and DevOps deliver significant business values

“ACCELERATING VELOCITY & CUSTOMER VALUE WITH AGILE & DEVOPS”\*

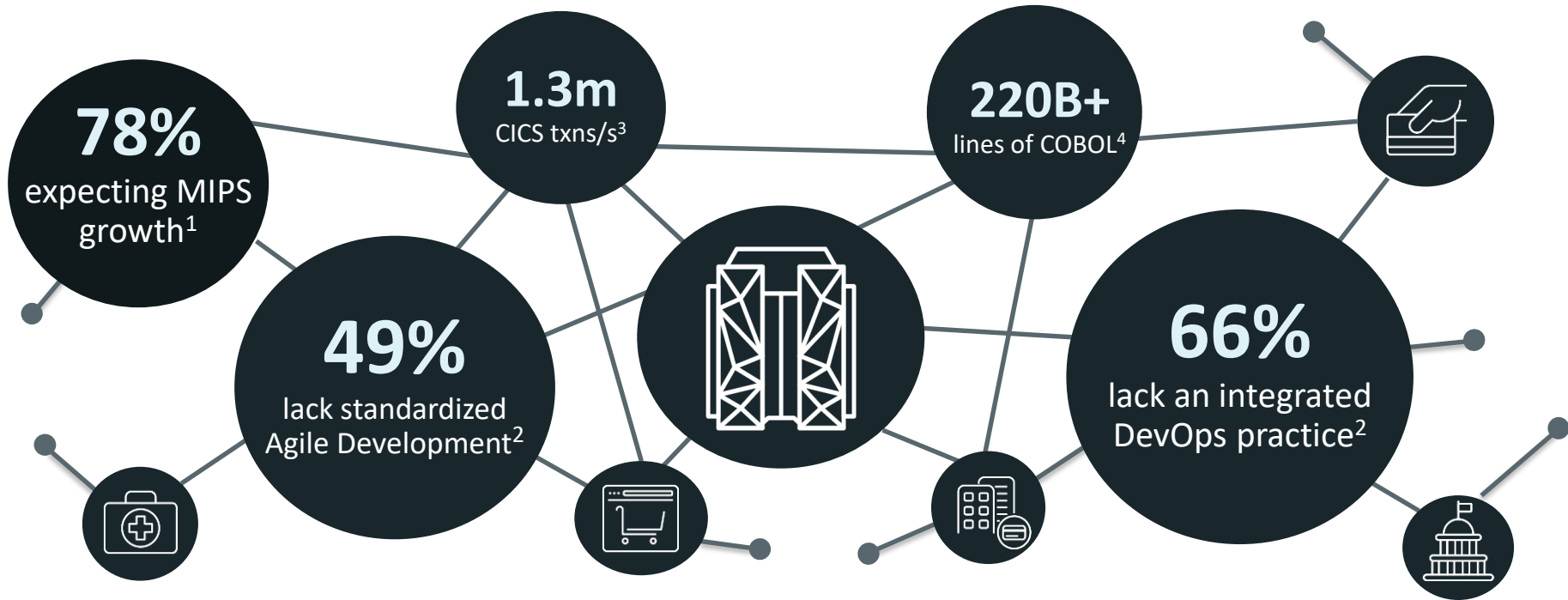
- **81%** believe DevOps is critical to digital transformation
- Agile – **36%** improvement in overall time-to-decision
- DevOps – **37%** increase in overall speed-to-market
- Adding DevOps to Agile improves new business growth by **63%**



Percentage of advanced adopters seeing improvement in customer experience

\*<https://www.ca.com/us/rewrite/articles/agile/accelerating-velocity-and-customer-value-with-agile-and-devops.register.html>

# The Case for Mainframe Agility



1 – Arcati Mainframe Yearbook 2017, <http://www.arcati.com/newyearbook17/newyearbook.pdf>

2 – [Accelerating Velocity and Customer Value with Agile and DevOps](#)

3 – IBM estimates based on real client usage. <http://www.statisticbrain.com/google-searches>

4 – Aberdeen Group; Giga Information Group; Database & Network Journal; [The COBOL Report](#); SearchEngineWatch.com; Tactical Strategy



# Voice of our customers

## Mainframe Continuous Delivery Challenges

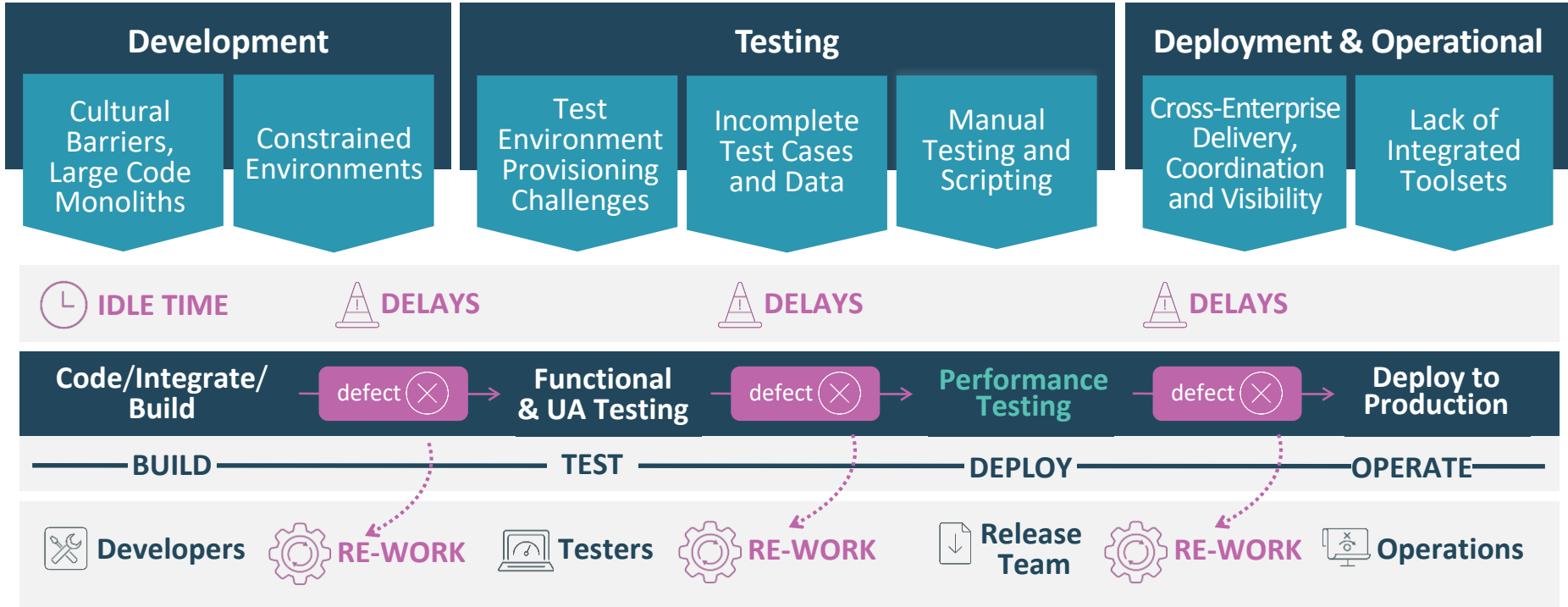
*“It takes an average of 8-12 weeks (or greater) to deliver nominal changes to production on the mainframe”*

*“Automating mainframe application deployments and provisioning the required middleware configurations are key challenges”*

*“The risk of incorporating large changes on the mainframe, often responsible for mission critical applications is higher, so we take a long time to test and deliver solutions”*

*“Our Operations and production workloads are automated, however, we still take a long time to incorporate changes across the enterprise”*

# Opportunities to Optimize – Are Everywhere!

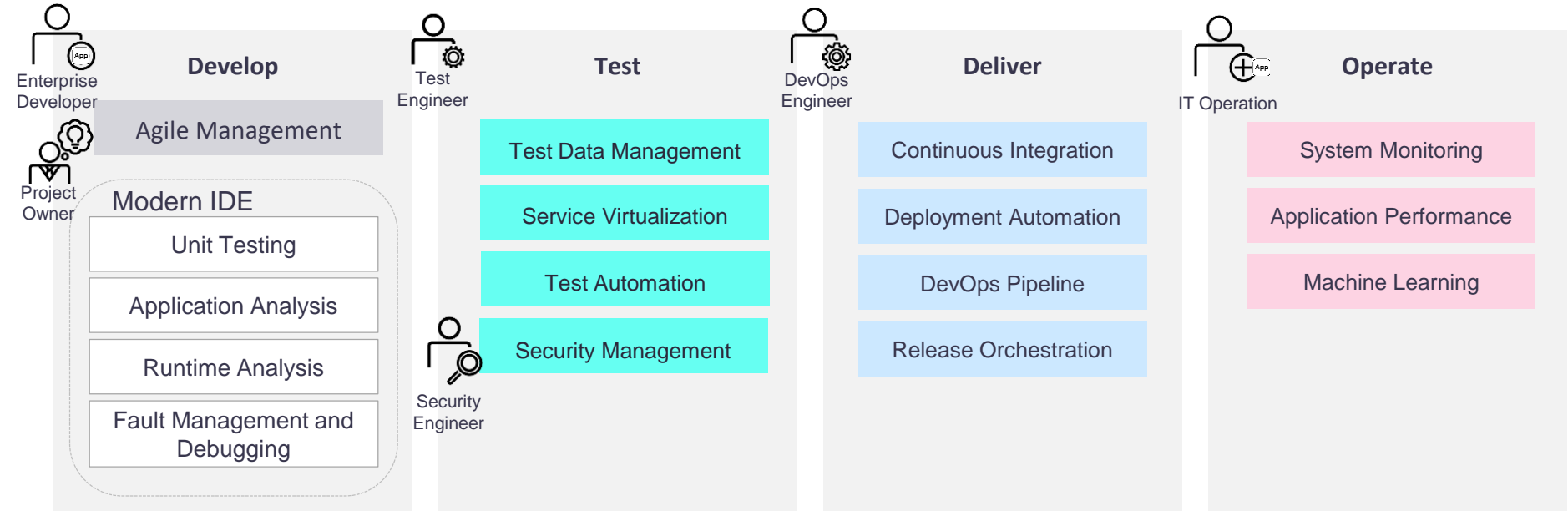




# Integrating Mainframe Into DevOps Workflows



# Integrating Mainframe Into DevOps Workflows



DevOps Architect

Agile Development

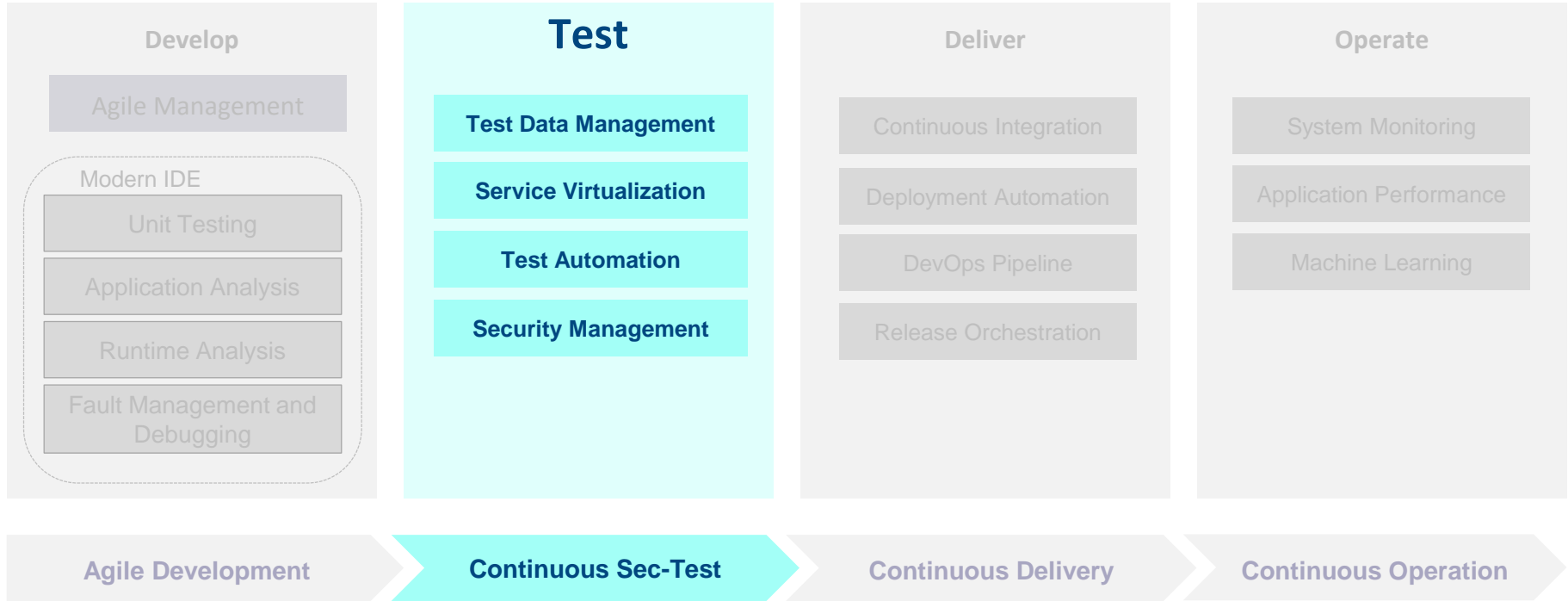
Continuous Sec-Test

Continuous Delivery

Continuous Operation



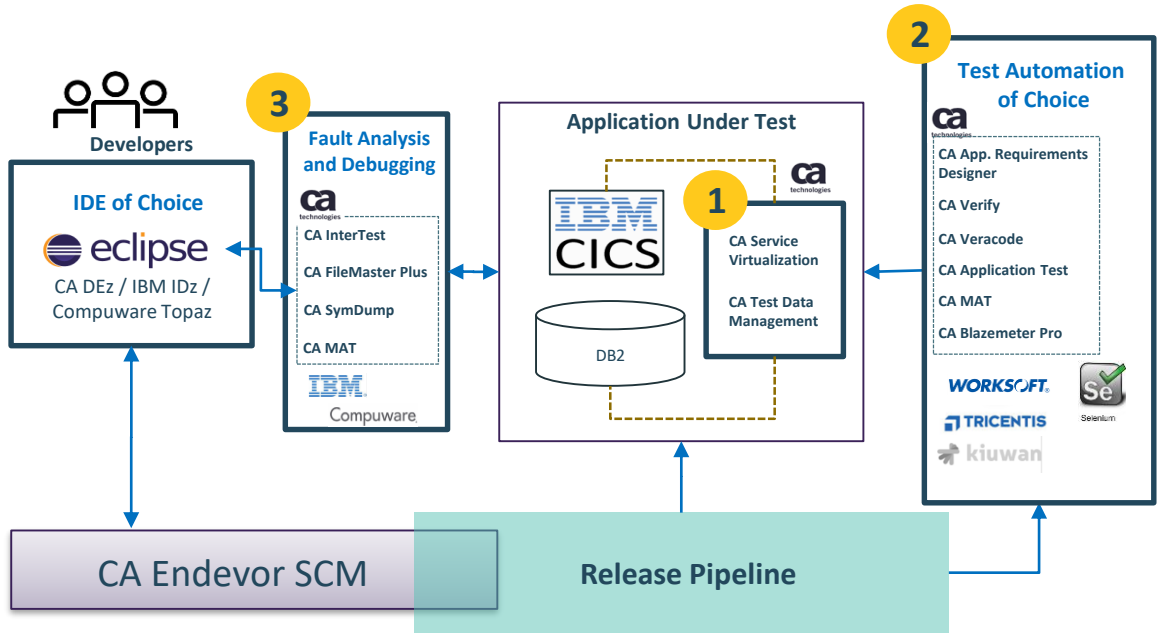
# Integrating Mainframe Into DevOps Workflows



# Mainframe Testing

## Overview and Key Products

1. Service virtualization and test data management support test environment setup
2. Test automation & static analysis for system functionality, security and performance testing, built into the pipeline
3. Developer debugging & fault analysis tools, plugged into Eclipse IDE of choice



# Eclipse Integration

## Free Plugins and Commercial IDEs

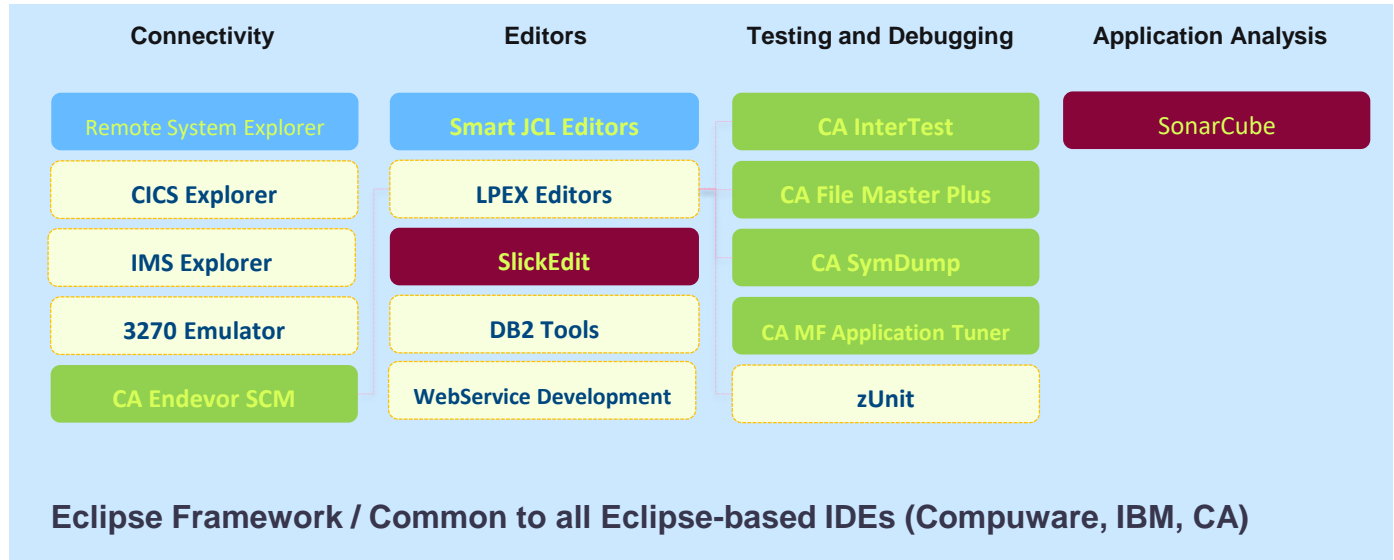
Free / IBM

IBM/CA Commercial

Free / CA

Other/ Commercial

- Eclipse plugins from different vendors co-exist in the same Eclipse shell
- z/OS specific shell available as a free download from IBM
- Commercial packages offer additional value
- CA provides both – free plugins for its solutions and a commercial IDE





# Performance Testing in CA Mainframe DevOps:

**CA Mainframe Application Tuner**  
**CA MAT**





# CA Mainframe Application Tuner

## What Is CA MAT?

- CA MAT observes and samples program activity to show you the application view of performance.
- Detailed application-specific delay information is presented, allowing you to improve the performance of your application.
- From a single program monitoring session, CA MAT can answer questions for the application programmer, systems programmer, and database administrator. This ability saves time and reduces resources that are used in resolving program bottlenecks or delays.



# CA Mainframe Application Tuner

## How is CA MAT Used?

CA MAT is used to improve the performance of applications by:



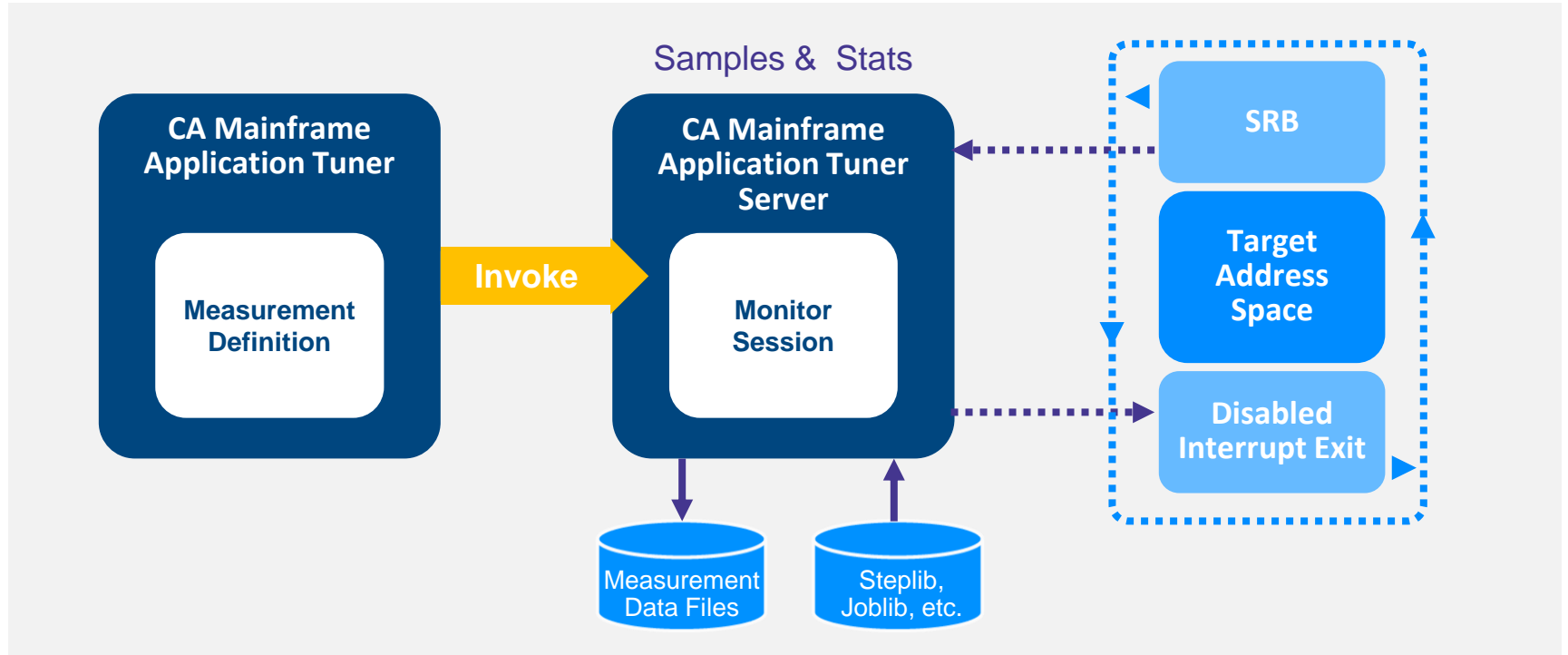
Observing and sampling applications to identify high CPU usage, long wait times and slow transaction response times



Providing data to identify the root causes of performance inefficiencies in z/OS based applications

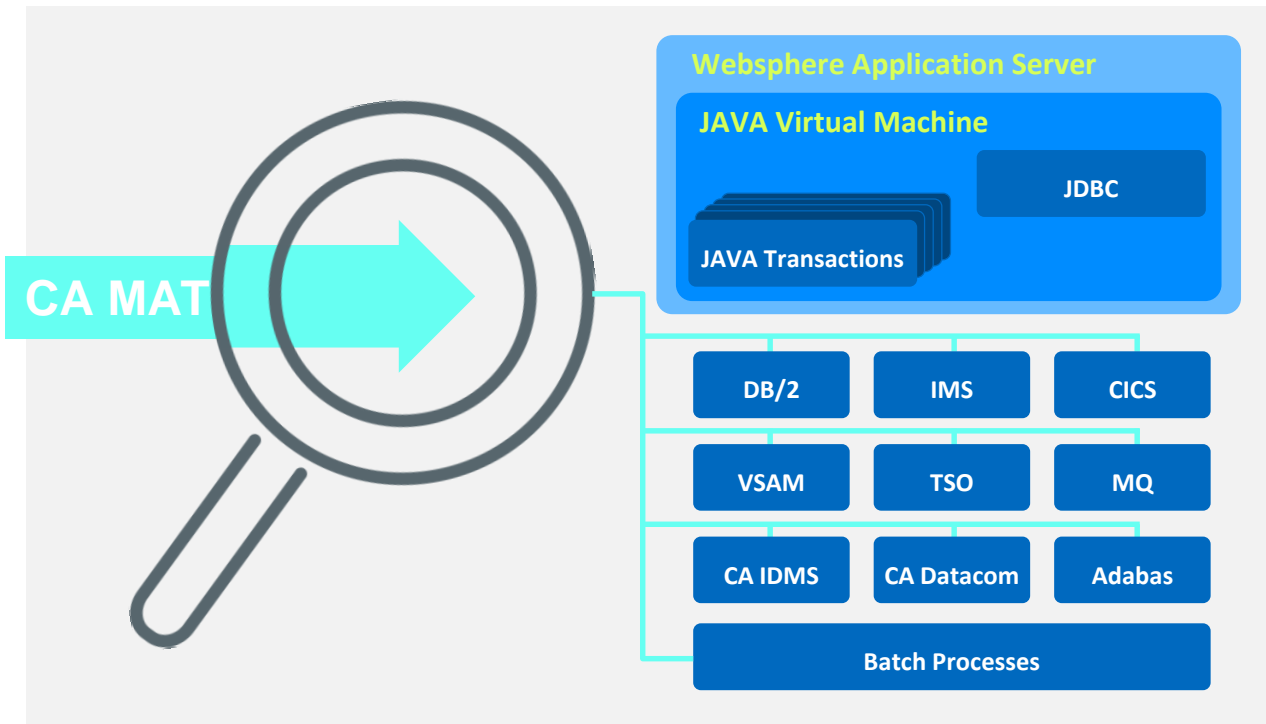
# CA Mainframe Application Tuner

## How Does it Work?



# CA Mainframe Application Tuner

## Supports over 20 Sub-Systems and Languages



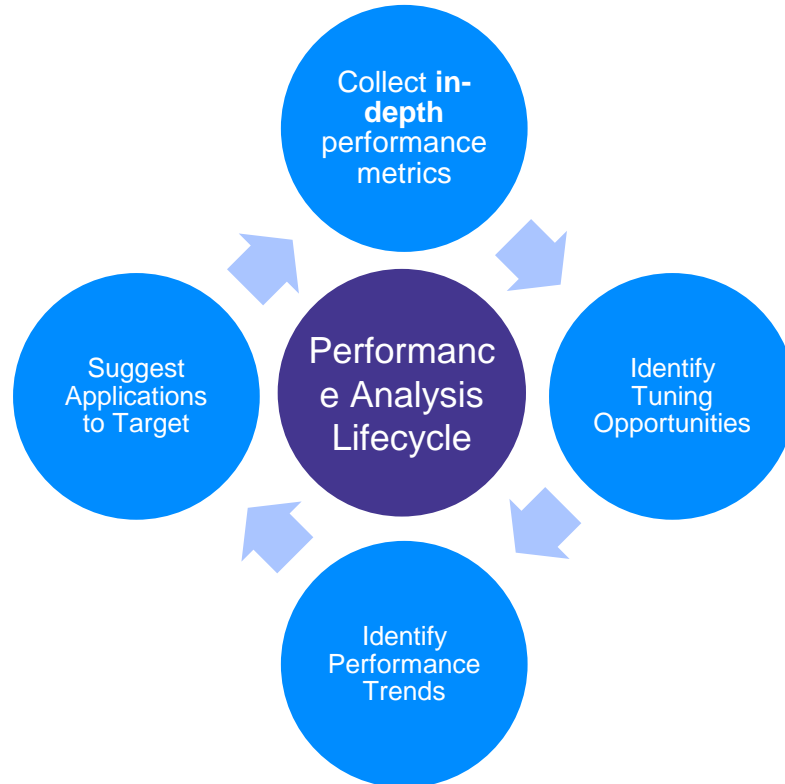
### Supported Languages:

- COBOL
- PL/I
- Assembler
- C
- C++
- REXX
- CA Ideal™
- Natural

# CA Mainframe Application Tuner

## Performance Analysis Cycle

- Drill-down performance management facility
- Automation engine for identifying performance opportunities





# Performance Automation. What's already there?



# Performance Management Assistant

What is PMA?

- Performance Management Assistant (PMA) is a component of CA Mainframe Application Tuner that can significantly reduce the manual effort of managing application performance.

# Mainframe Application Tuner

## Performance Management Assistant

- Automatic Application Targeting
  - PMA tracks your applications learning its behavior, generating alerts
- Proactive Application Measurement
  - PMA triggers and manages CA MAT measurements
  - Helps you identify transaction that are affecting performance
  - Helps tame batch jobs whose run times are increasing
- Automated Information Review
  - PMA extracts key information from MAT and prioritizes based on CPU time, elapsed time, SVCU, EXCP, etc.



# Mainframe Application Tuner

Performance Management Assistant

- Managing Application Measurement Data
  - PMA captures and maintains 10 runs of any given application, able to keep up to 18 months of historical data
- Data Mining and Trend Analysis
  - PMA aggregates data to provide a cross-system view of resource utilization, providing visibility to top tuning opportunities.

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PMA r8.5----- PMA - Data Mining Application Programs ----- Row 1 from 208

Appl PGM.....: *
Commands.....: SORT N/C/F/J - Name / Cpu / Frequency / No. Job steps
Line Commands: XJ -Xref Job step SS -Significant Statements
LC Appl PGM Annual CPU h:mm:ss Frequency No. of Job Steps
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KXXIK704 3:38:30 138 1
FK8GF534 2:32:09 145 6
XJ AKKWHI44 2:31:31 535 23
AGKWHI3 1:58:06 823 34
LSWX87SW 1:56:30 278 10
ME2GF426 1:17:27 574 6
VXHAL418 1:10:21 67 3
VFWETS48 0:59:46 45 2
YF8GF574 0:29:03 140 6
GQTWIVZW 0:20:30 769 28
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GYRQYRM 0:19:51 299 11
HGZWEQ94 0:18:16 89 3
XG3G4894 0:15:54 213 3

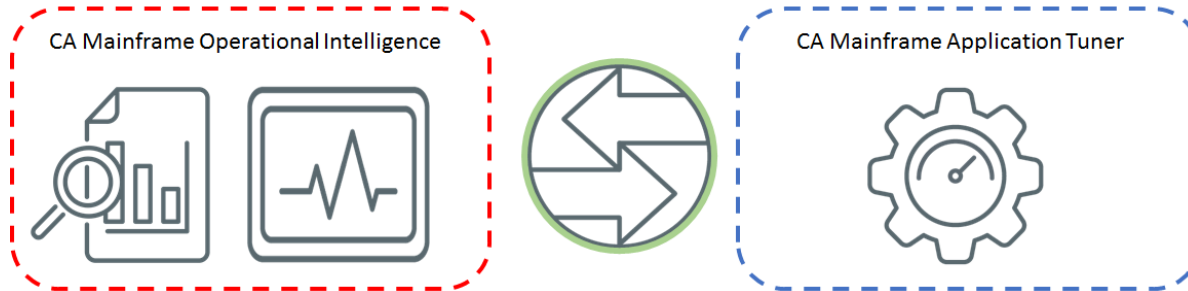
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# Mainframe Application Tuner

- CA Mainframe Operational Intelligence

## CA Mainframe Operational Intelligence is CA's Machine Learning offering

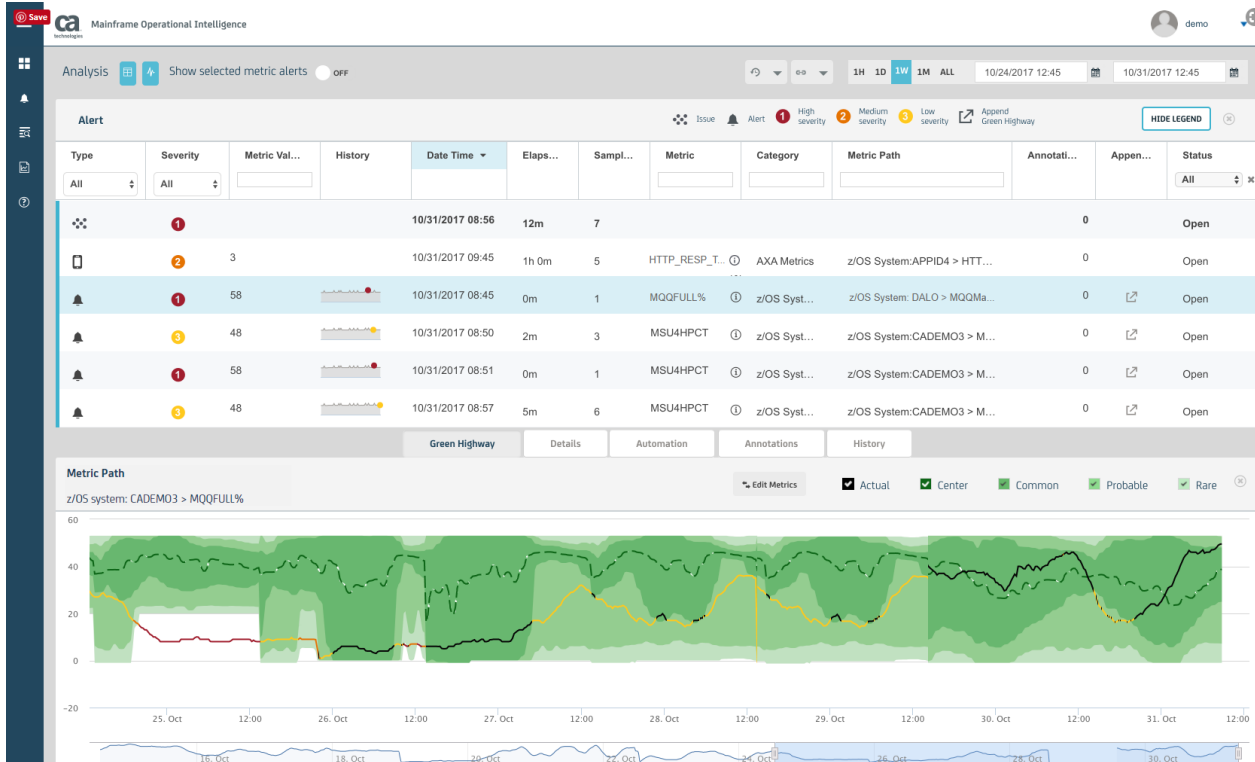
Integrate CA Mainframe Operational Intelligence with CA Mainframe Application Tuner



Identify the root cause of application performance inefficiencies, job execution delays, and remediate faster

# Mainframe Application Tuner

## CA Mainframe Operational Intelligence

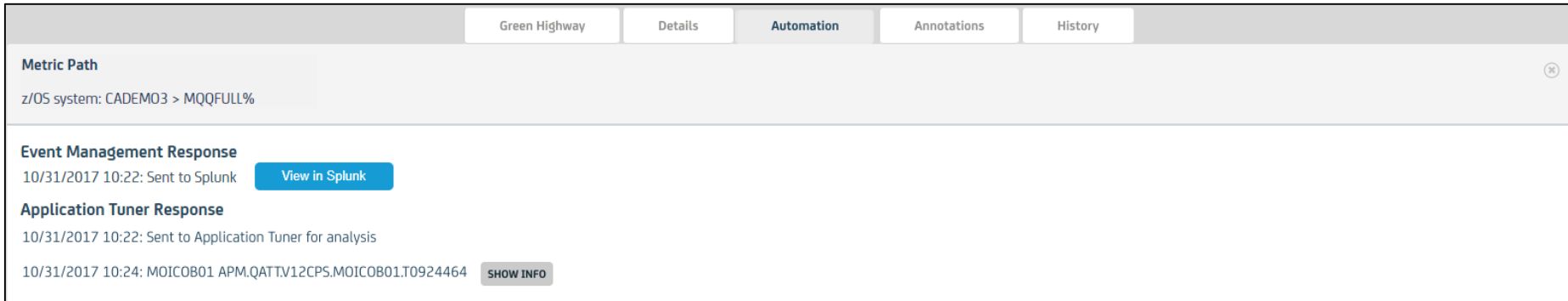


- An anomaly is detected and generates an alert
- The alert automatically invoke CA MAT

# Mainframe Application Tuner

## CA Mainframe Operational Intelligence

- A MAT response is listed under the 'Automation' tab of this alert's details



The screenshot shows a web interface with a navigation bar at the top containing tabs: Green Highway, Details, Automation (selected), Annotations, and History. Below the tabs, the 'Metric Path' is displayed as 'z/OS system: CADEM03 > MQQFULL%'. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Event Management Response' and 'Application Tuner Response'. The 'Event Management Response' section shows a timestamp '10/31/2017 10:22: Sent to Splunk' and a blue button labeled 'View in Splunk'. The 'Application Tuner Response' section shows a timestamp '10/31/2017 10:22: Sent to Application Tuner for analysis' and a specific response ID '10/31/2017 10:24: MOICOB01 APM.QATTV12CPS.MOICOB01.T0924464' with a grey button labeled 'SHOW INFO'.

# Mainframe Application Tuner

## CA Mainframe Operational Intelligence

- The MAT overview is displayed within the MOI window for quick review

10/31/2017 10:24: MOICOB01 APM,QATTV12CPS.MOICOB01.T0924464 HIDE INFO

JOB INFORMATION		JOB STATISTICS			MONITOR STATISTICS		
JOBNAME: MOICOB01		TCB TIME: 00:00:08.70			START DATE: 2017/10/31		
PROGRAM: TUNCOB01		SRB TIME: 00:00:00.14			START TIME: 20:52:03		
					DURATION: 00:01:13		

Delay Type	Module	Csect	Offset	Csect Description	Stmt	Active%	Wait%	Total%
Program Active	TUNCOB01	TUNCOB01	000009AE	Cobol test program distributed with CA MAT	141	26.8	0	26.8
	IGZCPAC		0004FB02	Coblib cobpack-general	4.12		0	4.12
	IGZCPAC		0004FA0C	Coblib cobpack-general	2.61		0	2.61
	IGZCPAC		0004FA42	Coblib cobpack-general	2.61		0	2.61
	IGZCPAC		0004F96C	Coblib cobpack-general	2.55		0	2.55

Delay Type	Module	Csect	Offset	Csect Description	Stmt	Active%	Wait%	Total%
Waiting for CPU	TUNCOB01	TUNCOB01	000009AA	Cobol test program distributed with CA MAT	141	0	11.37	11.37
	IGG019AR	.DISPWT	0000007E	Waiting for the CPU	0		5.42	5.42



**What if?...**  
**Lets discuss the future**



# Who is doing performance testing?

## Mainframe

- **System Programmers**
- **System, Database Administrators**
- **Performance Analysts**

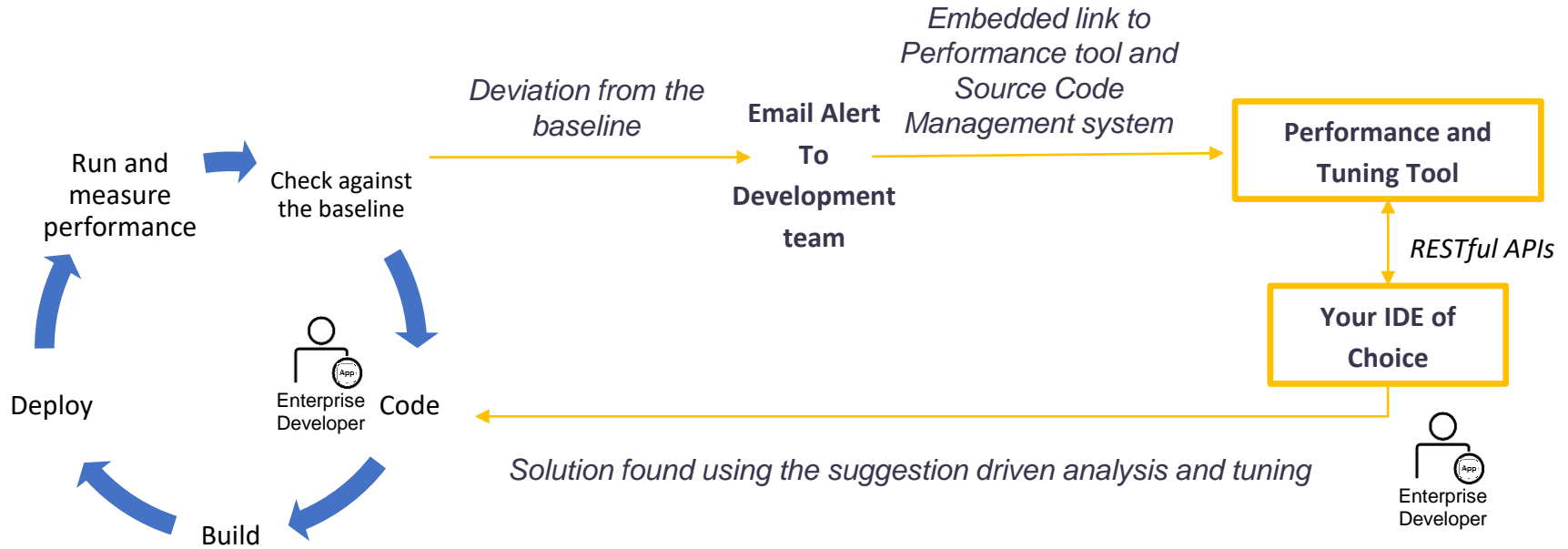
## Distributed

- **Developers**
- ***Automated scenarios as part of delivery pipeline***

## What is your current scenario?

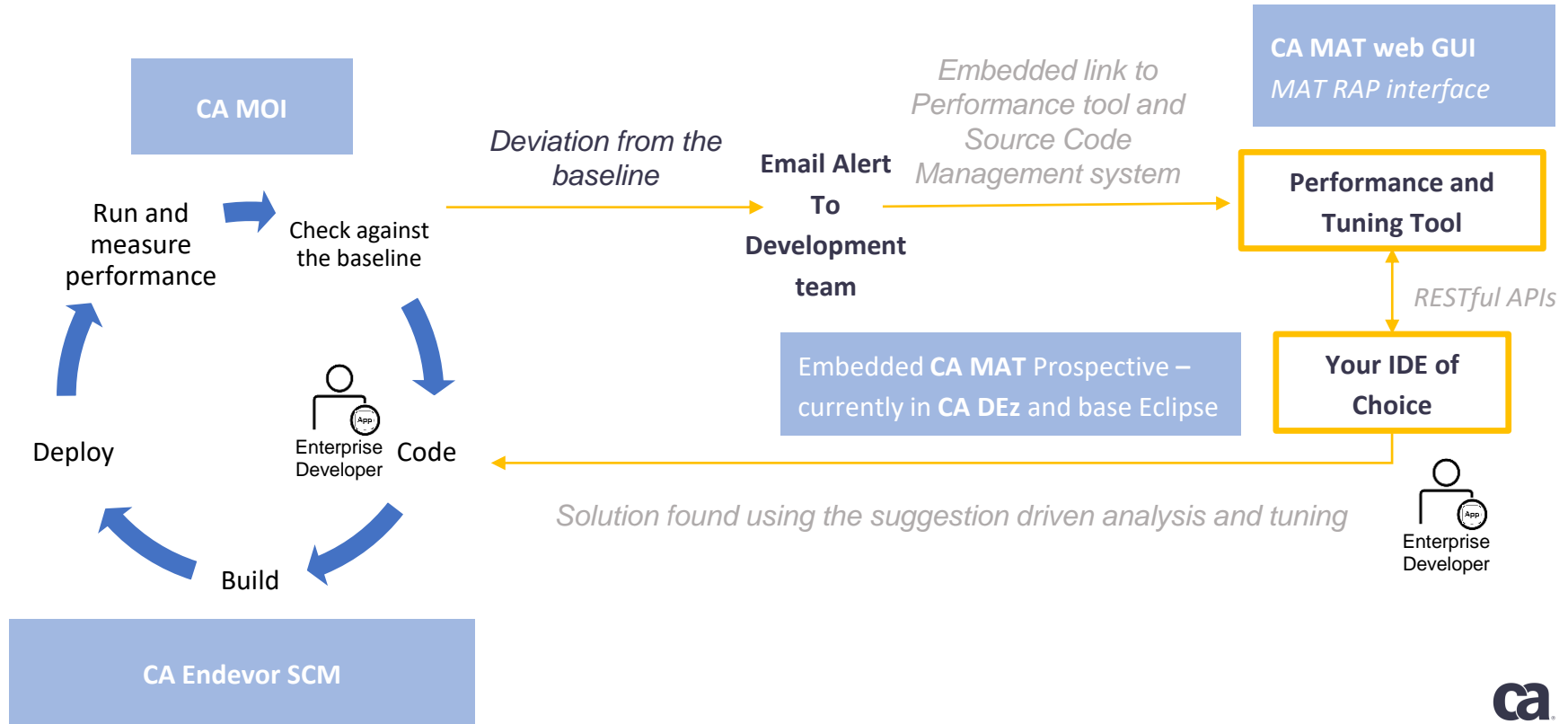


# Automatic lifecycle



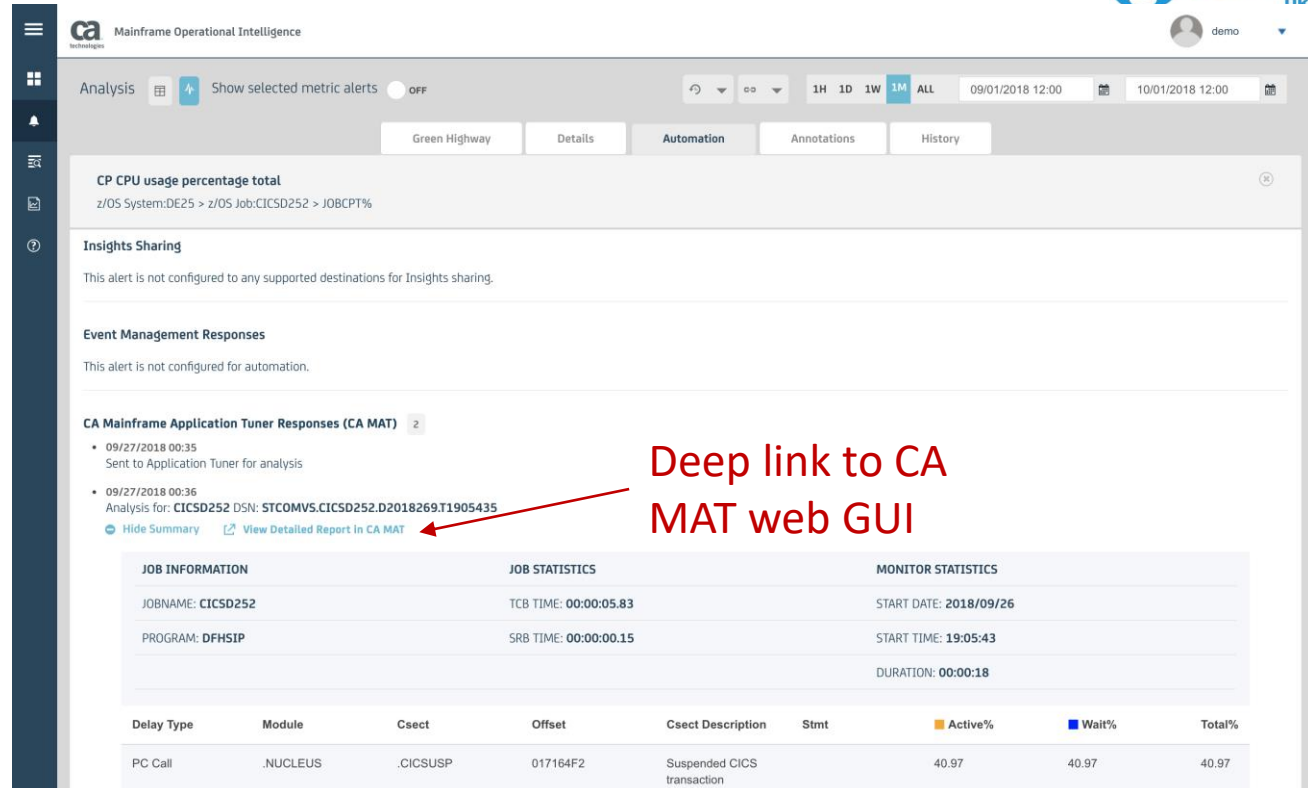


# Automatic lifecycle



# CA MAT Capabilities in development/under consideration

Feature	Description	Benefit
<b>Sampling architecture enhancements</b>	Updates to the MAT servers and PMA component, which would allow Gathering and storing more data, including production-wide data	Enable giving the end user a targeted suggestions and hints about where the problem is and how to fix it
<b>Enhancements to MAT-MOI integration</b>	Connect CA MOI and CA MAT UIs through the deep link	Allow easy access to the CA MAT modern UI from the MOI top five CPU consumers panel. Jump from MOI diagnosis to MAT deep analysis with one click.
<b>RESTful APIs</b>	Develop RESTful APIs for CA MAT as industry standard integration points to invoke measurement and gather results. Adopt MAT GUI to use RESTful API.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enable modern integrations with other CA and 3<sup>rd</sup> party products</li><li>• Enable customers to easily script MAT invocation and results gathering and make it a part of the application lifecycle</li></ul>



CA Mainframe Operational Intelligence

Analysis Show selected metric alerts OFF

Green Highway Details Automation Annotations History

CP CPU usage percentage total  
z/OS System:DE25 > z/OS Job:CICSD252 > JOBCPT%

Insights Sharing  
This alert is not configured to any supported destinations for Insights sharing.

Event Management Responses  
This alert is not configured for automation.

CA Mainframe Application Tuner Responses (CA MAT) 2

- 09/27/2018 00:35  
Sent to Application Tuner for analysis
- 09/27/2018 00:36  
Analysis for: CICSD252 DSN: STCOMVS.CICSD252.D2018269.T1905435  
[Hide Summary](#) [View Detailed Report in CA MAT](#)

Deep link to CA MAT web GUI

JOB INFORMATION		JOB STATISTICS		MONITOR STATISTICS		
JOBNAME: CICSD252		TCB TIME: 00:00:05.83		START DATE: 2018/09/26		
PROGRAM: DFHSIP		SRB TIME: 00:00:00.15		START TIME: 19:05:43		
				DURATION: 00:00:18		

Delay Type	Module	Csect	Offset	Csect Description	Stmt	Active%	Wait%	Total%
PC Call	.NUCLEUS	.CICSUSP	017164F2	Suspended CICS transaction		40.97	40.97	40.97

## Summary View of analysis response from CA MAT in CA MOI

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# CA Brightside – modern approach to DevOps



# Open API Access to Mainframe

- API Enablement Strategy
  - Build and deliver mainframe services from CA as a set of **microservice APIs**
    - Use-case driven prioritization of mainframe microservice creation
    - Leverage existing CA mainframe solutions to create microservice APIs
    - Build use-case driven APIs where needed
  - **API Gateway** to deliver API scalability, consistency, and security
  - **API Catalog** to consolidate, visualize and make APIs accessible to the developers

# A Developer's World

Project Brightside



What is available for today's developers to use?

- Lightweight text-editors for quick editing with community plugins
- Powerful IDEs for specialized languages
- CLIs to interact with services
- Choice of powerful scripting languages for build and automation
- Continuous Integration and Delivery orchestration tools

# A Mainframe Developer's World

## Project Brightside

What is available for today's developers to use if they are working on the Mainframe part of their application?



Eclipse-based IDEs that are customized for mainframe development



TSO/ISPF interfaces



JCL/Rexx for build and automated system testing



# Let's Listen

- Project Brightside

What are developers asking for with the mainframe?

**Associate Software Engineer @ CA:**

“I wish I could just use modern testing frameworks for writing mainframe automated tests.”

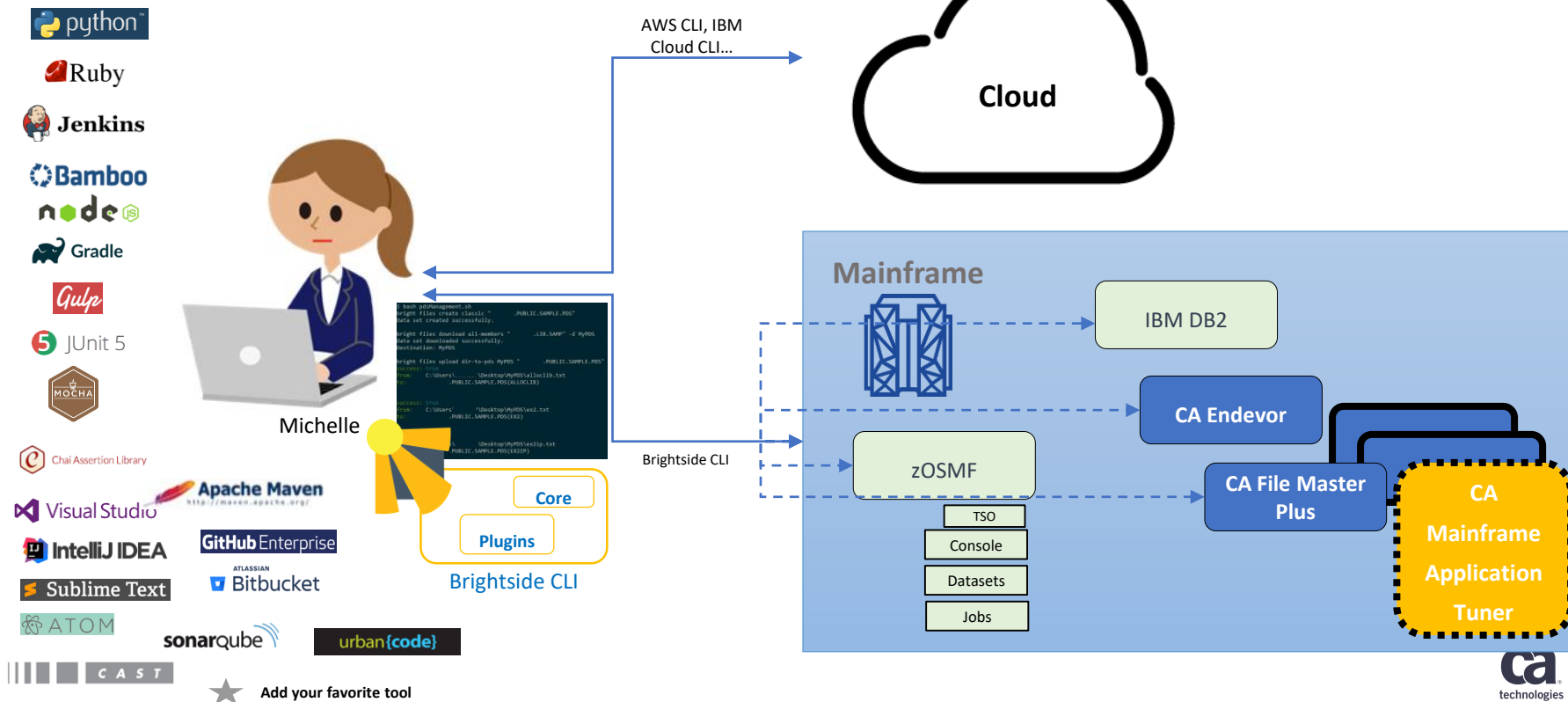
**r/Mainframe user:**

“I've recently been thinking about working on something to give me better integration for my z/OS coding and a local editor (likely Atom... *maybe* VScode).”

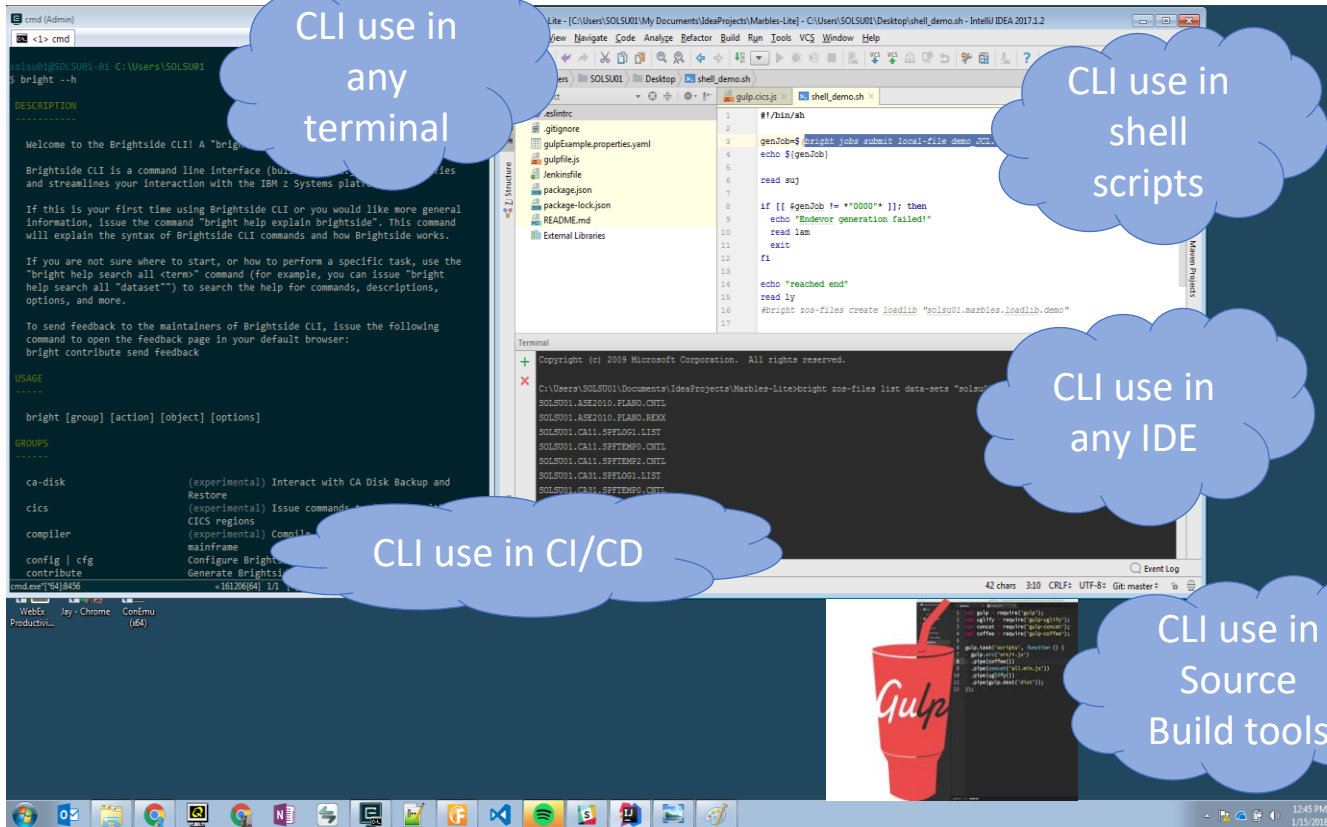
**Stackoverflow user:**

“Which plugin should I use to get started with Jenkins to manage mainframe components in PDS format?”

# CA Brightside Concept



# CA Brightside's CLI



The screenshot displays a Windows desktop with several applications open, illustrating the use of the Brightside CLI in different contexts:

- Terminal:** A command prompt window shows the execution of `bright --h`, displaying the help text for the Brightside CLI, including a list of groups like `ca-disk`, `cics`, `compiler`, `config`, and `contribute`.
- Shell Scripts:** A text editor window shows a shell script named `shell_demo.sh` with commands such as `genJob=9`, `submit local-file demo`, and `read #us`.
- IDE:** An IDE window shows a project structure with files like `gulpfile.js`, `package-lock.json`, and `README.md`. The terminal at the bottom shows the execution of `bright ssp-files list data-sets "solu"`.
- CI/CD:** A terminal window shows the execution of `bright contribute send feedback`.
- Source Build tools:** A terminal window shows the execution of `gulp` commands, with a red cup icon and the word "Gulp" overlaid on the terminal output.

CLI use in any terminal

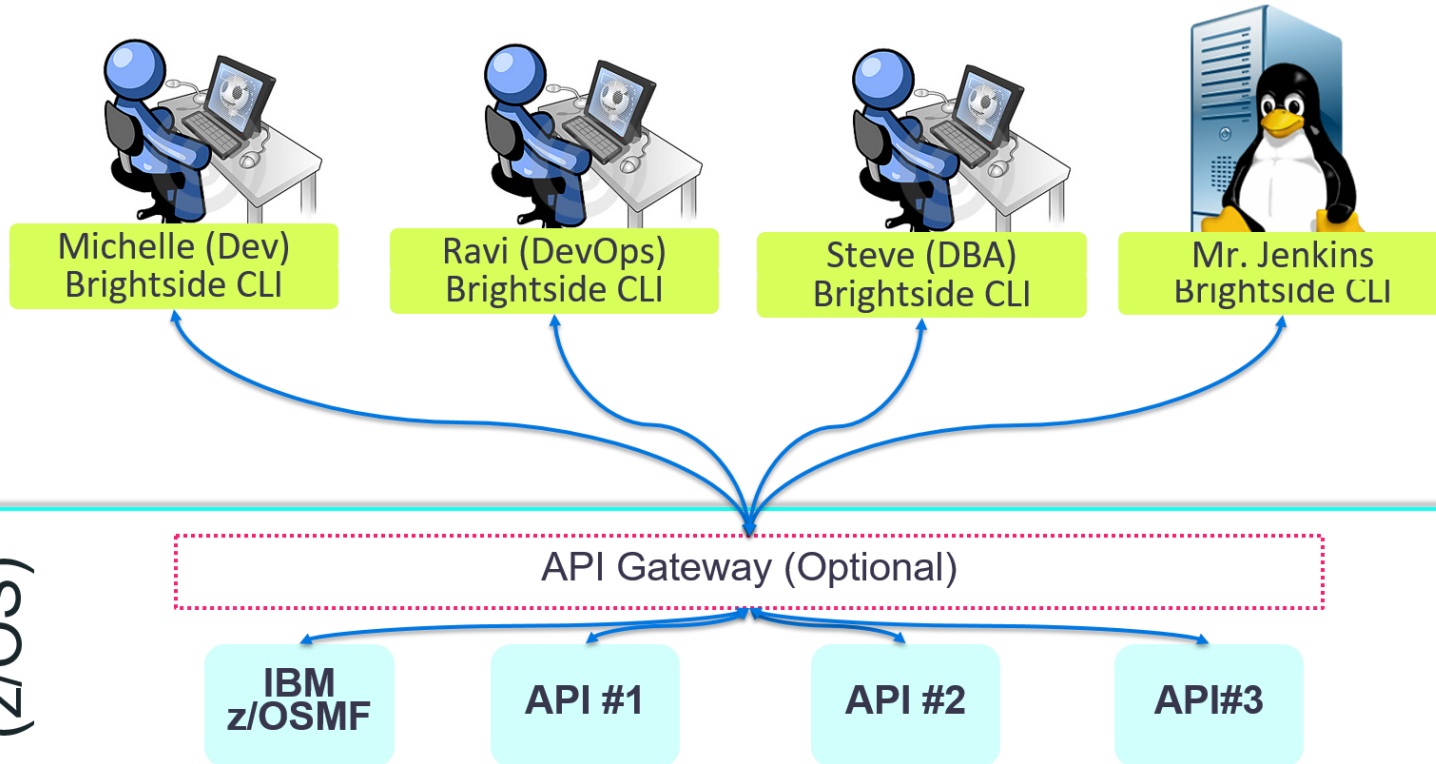
CLI use in shell scripts

CLI use in any IDE

CLI use in CI/CD

CLI use in Source Build tools

# Who uses Brightside?



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Server  
(z/OS)