From Myth to Legend

How Generative AI can Supercharge Productivity to Create 10x Developers

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Myth of the 10X developer

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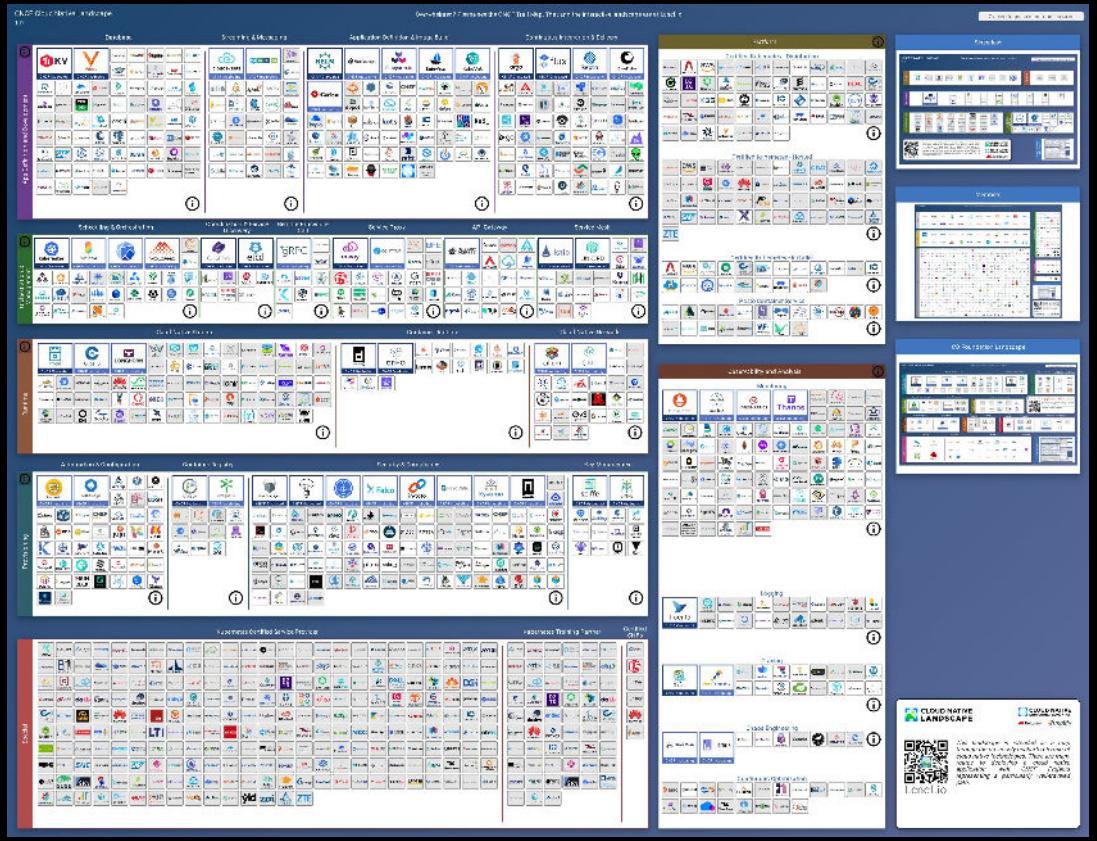
Knowledgeable

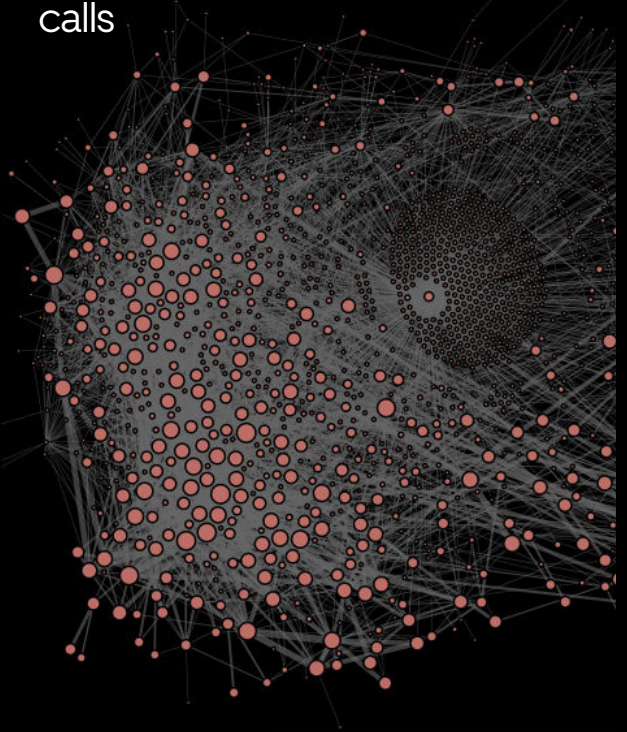
Productive

100% Perfectionist

Modern software complexity



Thousands of services and hundreds of thousands of RPC calls



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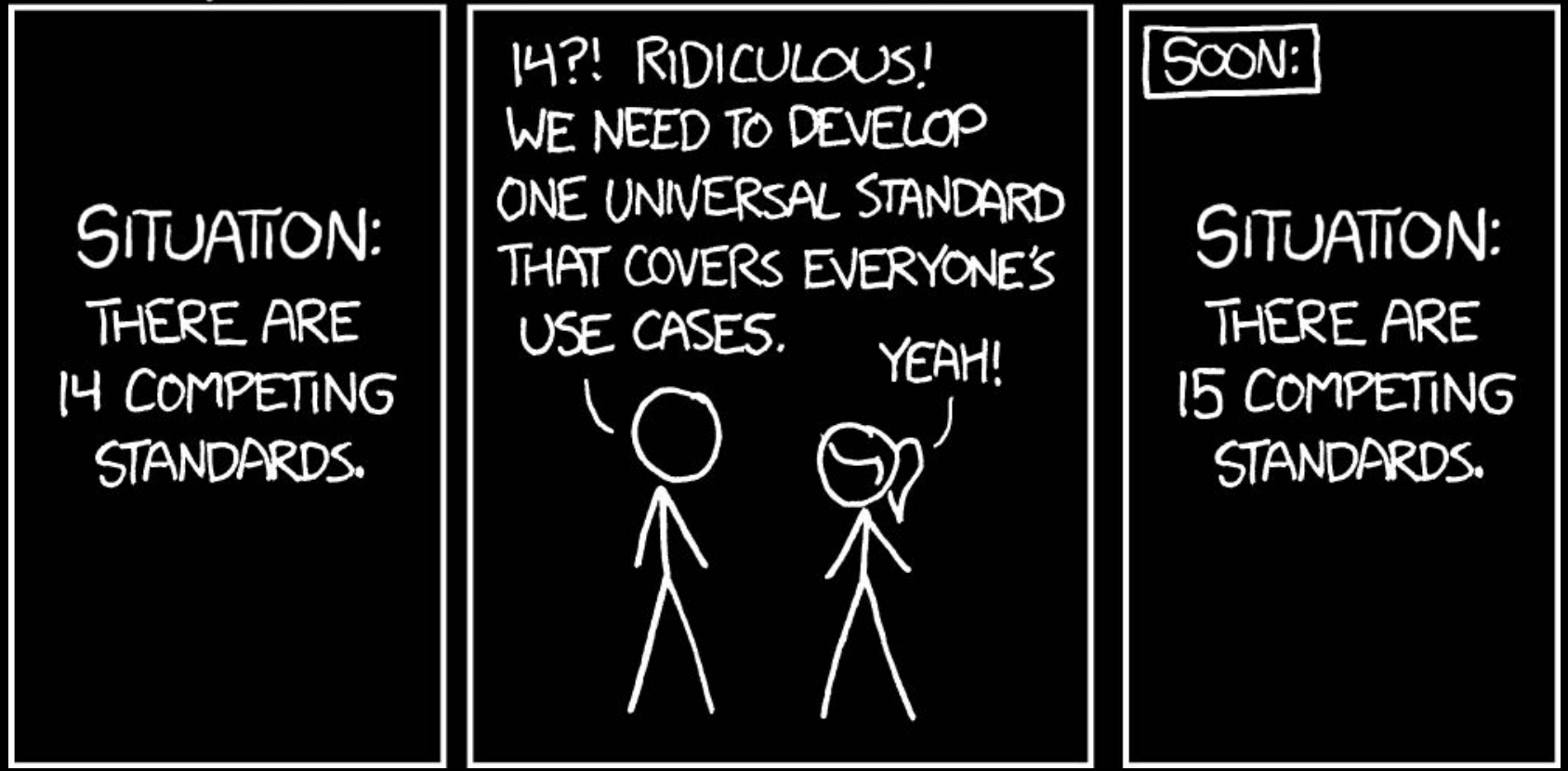
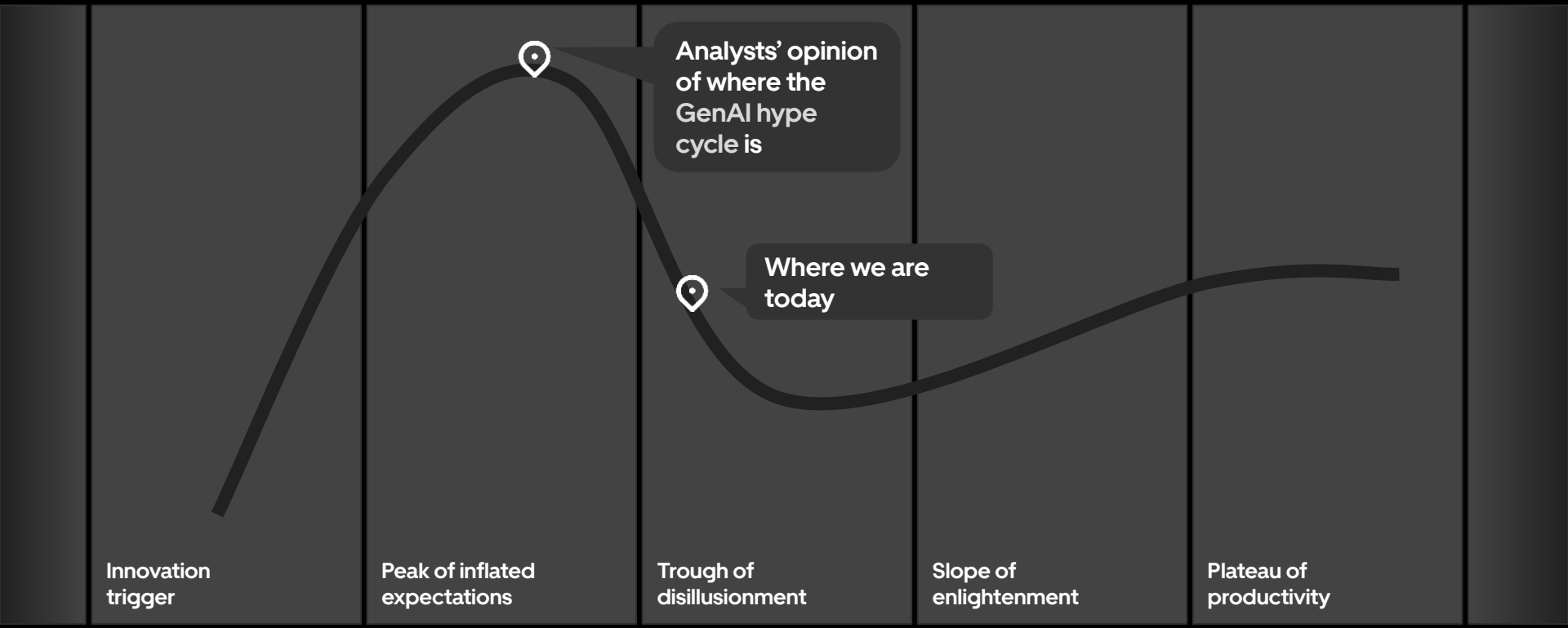

HOW STANDARDS PROLIFERATE:
(SEE: A/C CHARGERS, CHARACTER ENCODINGS, INSTANT MESSAGING, ETC.)
SITUATION: THERE ARE 14 COMPETING STANDARDS.
14?! RIDICULOUS! WE NEED TO DEVELOP ONE UNIVERSAL STANDARD THAT COVERS EVERYONE'S USE CASES.
YEAH!
SOON:
SITUATION: THERE ARE 15 COMPETING STANDARDS.

Enter Generative AI



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GenAI Hype Cycle

Expectations vs (alternate) reality

README.md > # Project readme

```
1  Project readme
2  ==============
3
4  Hello, this is a ride share app that allows users to create an accou
   a ride. The ride will be stored in a database and can be viewed by
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function scheduleProcessor() {
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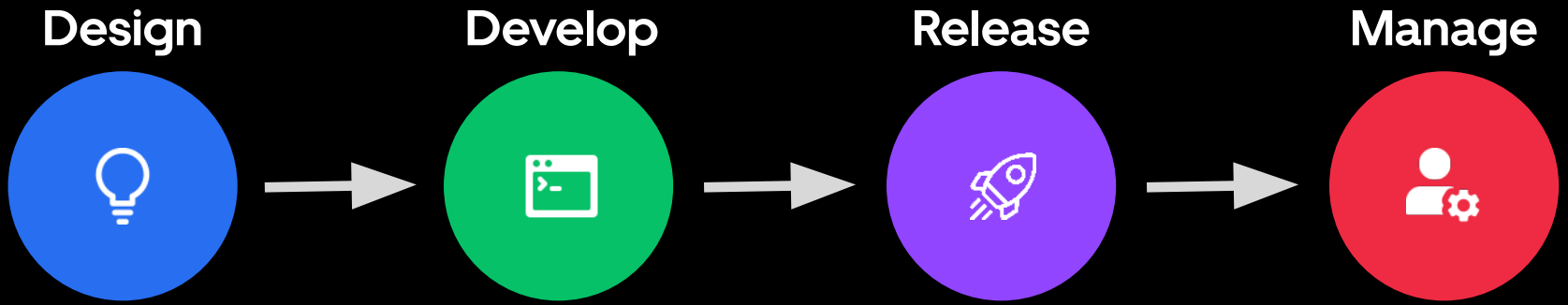
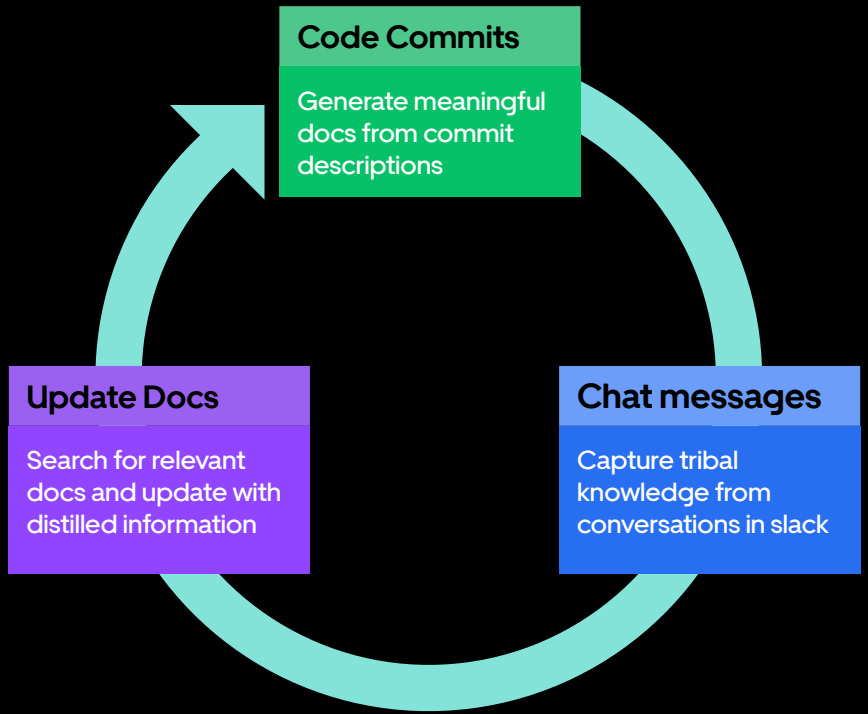
Gen AI opportunities in SDLC

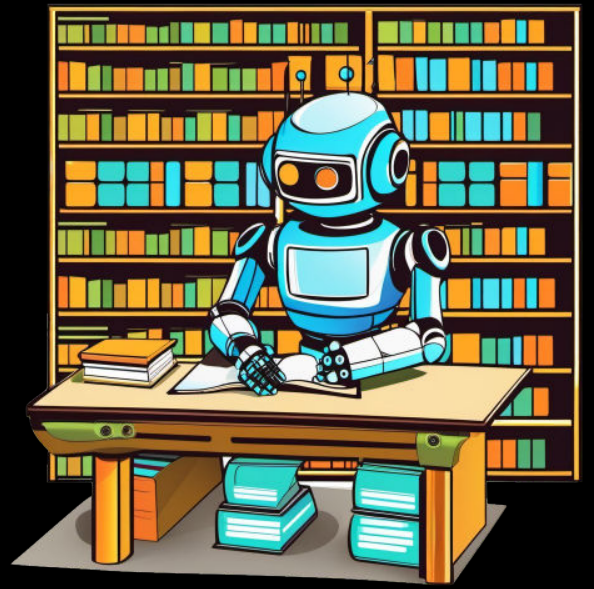
AI opportunities in the developer workflow



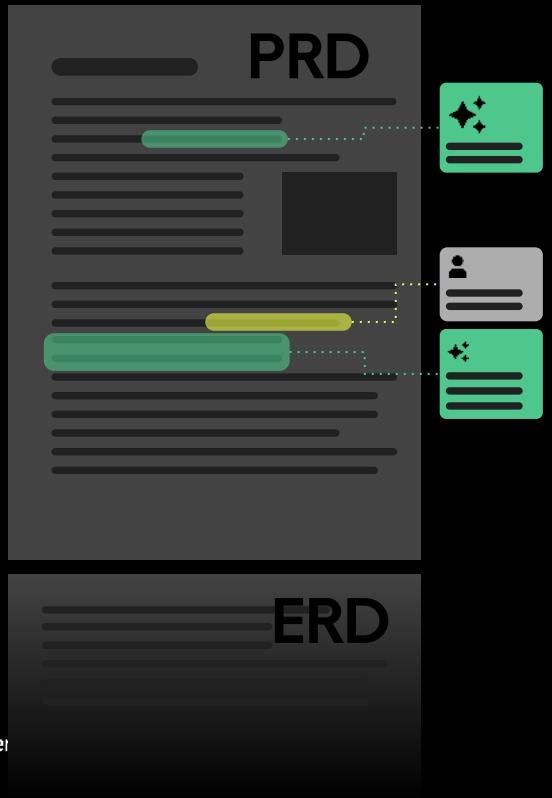
- Documentation
- Design Review
- UX Design
- Code Generation
- Code Quality
- Automated Fixes
- End to End Testing
- Incident Management
- Knowledge Base, Support
- Tailored to your enterprise

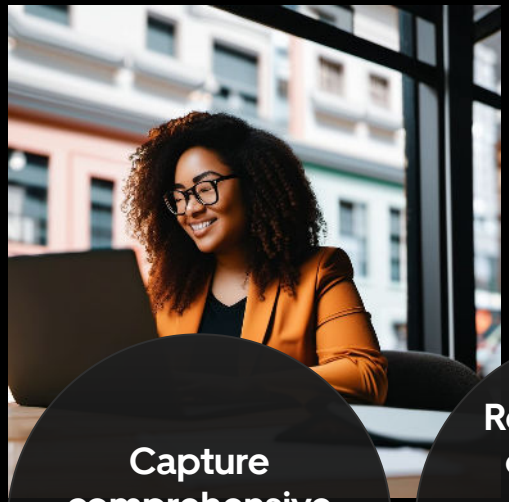
Automatic documentation freshness

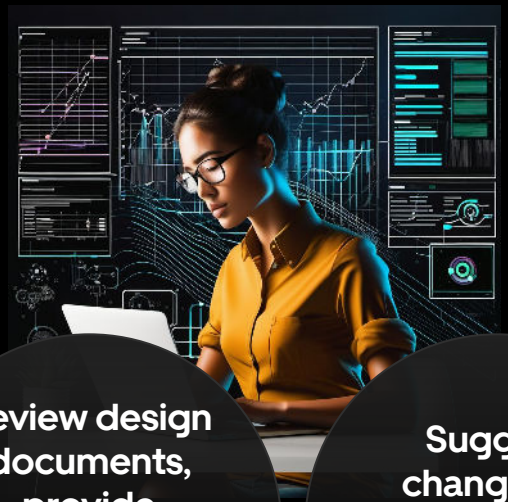




Automatic review of design requirements







Capture comprehensive requirements first time

PM, Product Ops, Sec, Privacy, Legal

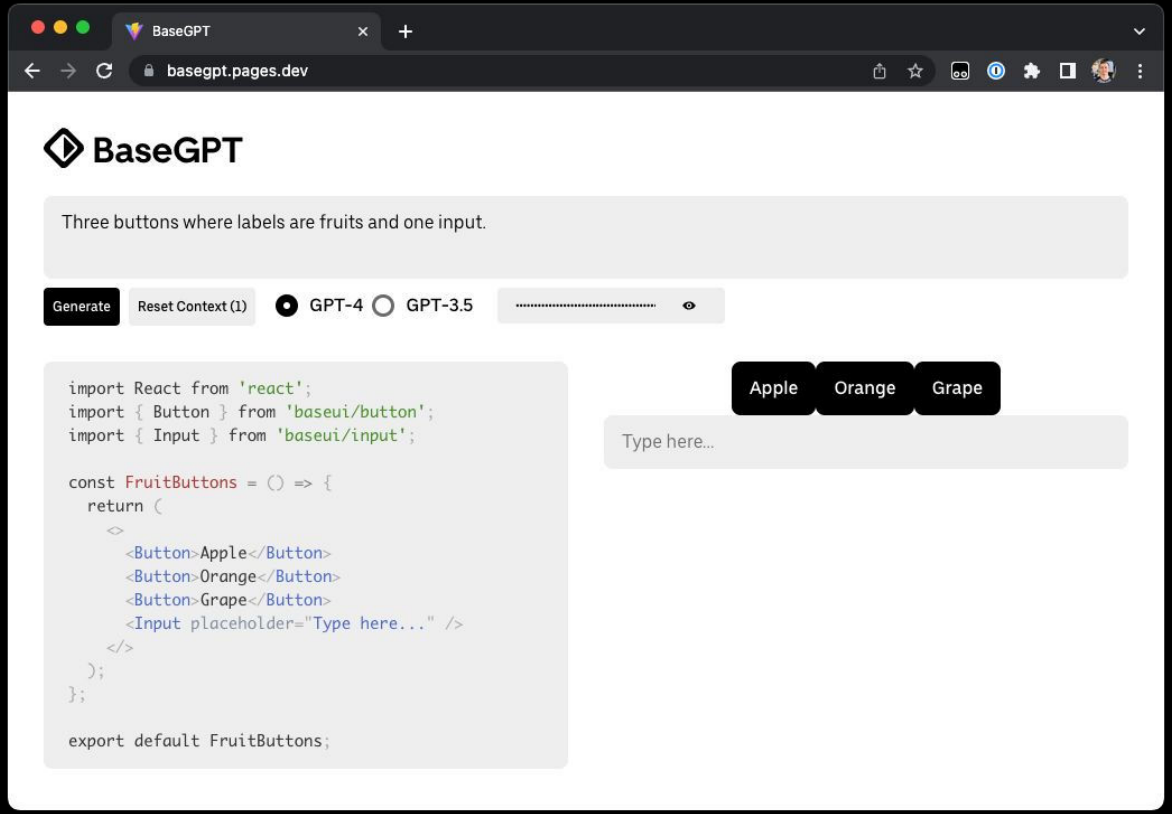
Review design documents, provide automatic suggestions for improvement

Developer, Eng team, Eng Sec, Privacy

Suggest changes to design based on existing user comments

Developer, Eng team

Faster UX design iteration



Our experience using code assistants

29%
Acceptance rate

1.4
LOC per accepted code

75%
Feel more productive

6.0
NPS score for Copilot

Internal survey results

\+ Effective for simple boilerplate code and tasks

> Copilot is really useful for writing 1-2 lines of straightforward / repetitive code

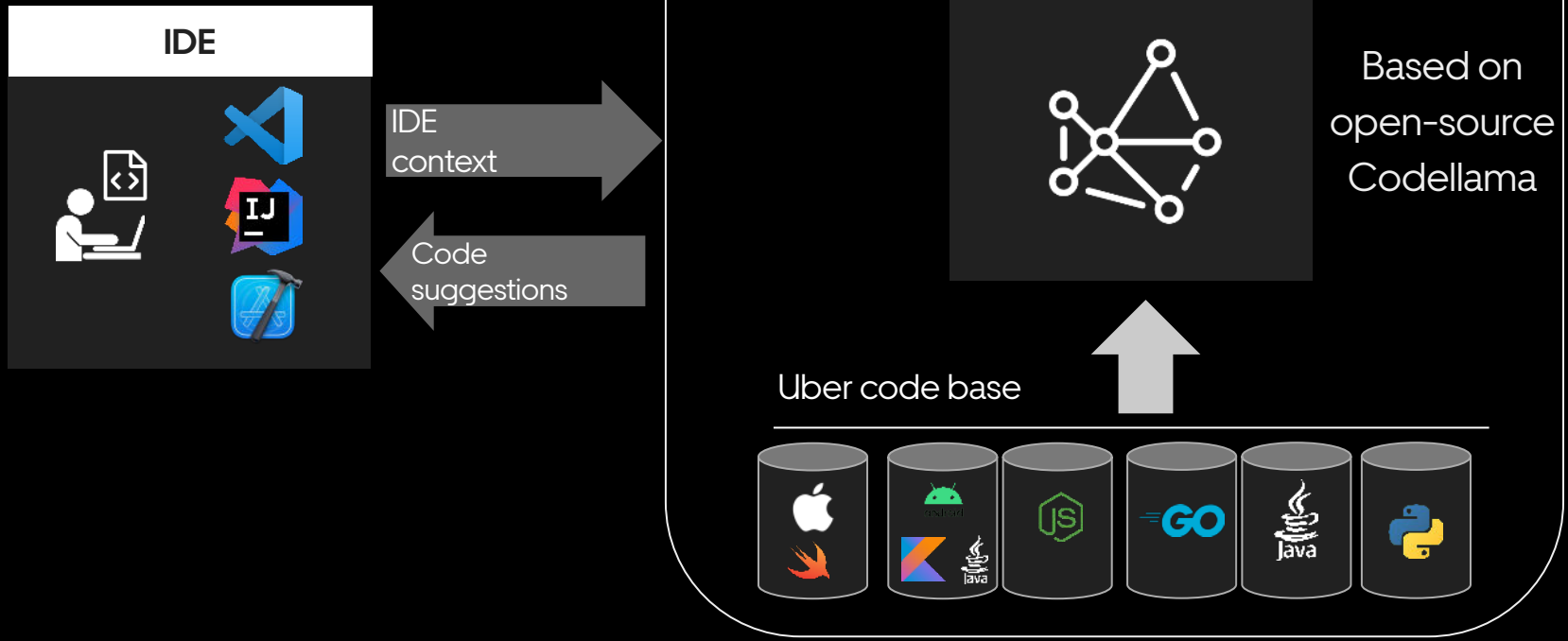
\- Code suggestions frequently need further editing

> It frequently has small misses.
> I find myself usually double-checking Copilot's work for longer than it would have taken me to just write that work myself.

Code assistants are useful for simpler tasks

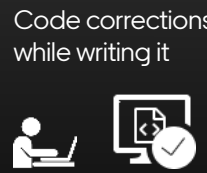
Gen AI beyond code completion

Uber code assistant



Automatically improve code quality

Suggest fixes in the IDE & local builds

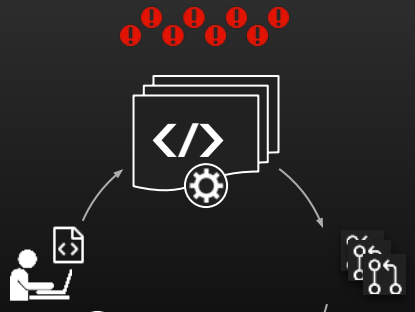


Auto-fix suggestions within the IDE

Fix new errors in PRs

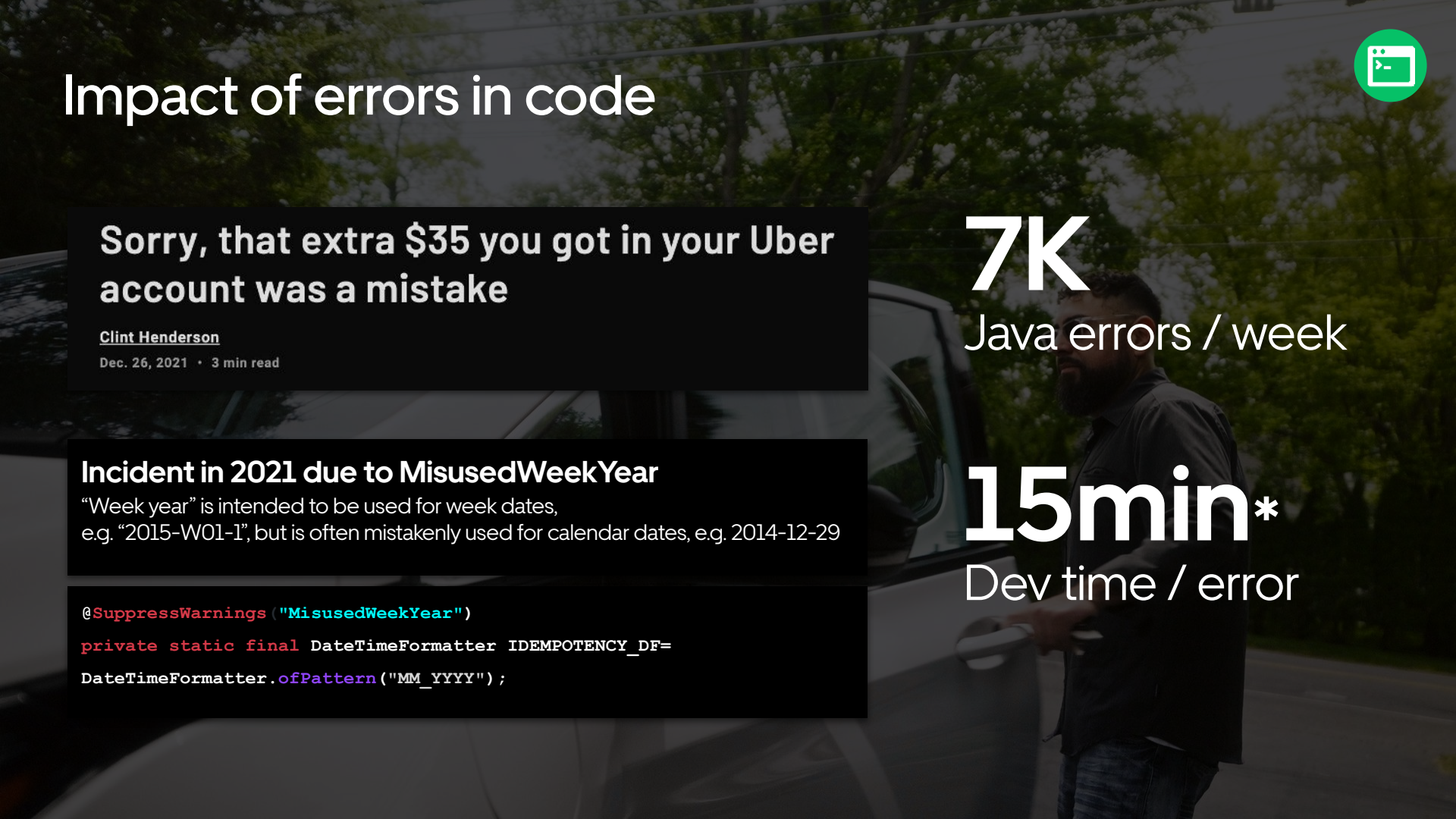
Suggest an automatic fix

Continuously fix tech debt in the existing code base



Generate Pull requests with fixes

Impact of errors in code



Sorry, that extra $35 you got in your Uber account was a mistake

Clint Henderson

Dec. 26, 2021 • 3 min read

Incident in 2021 due to MisusedWeekYear

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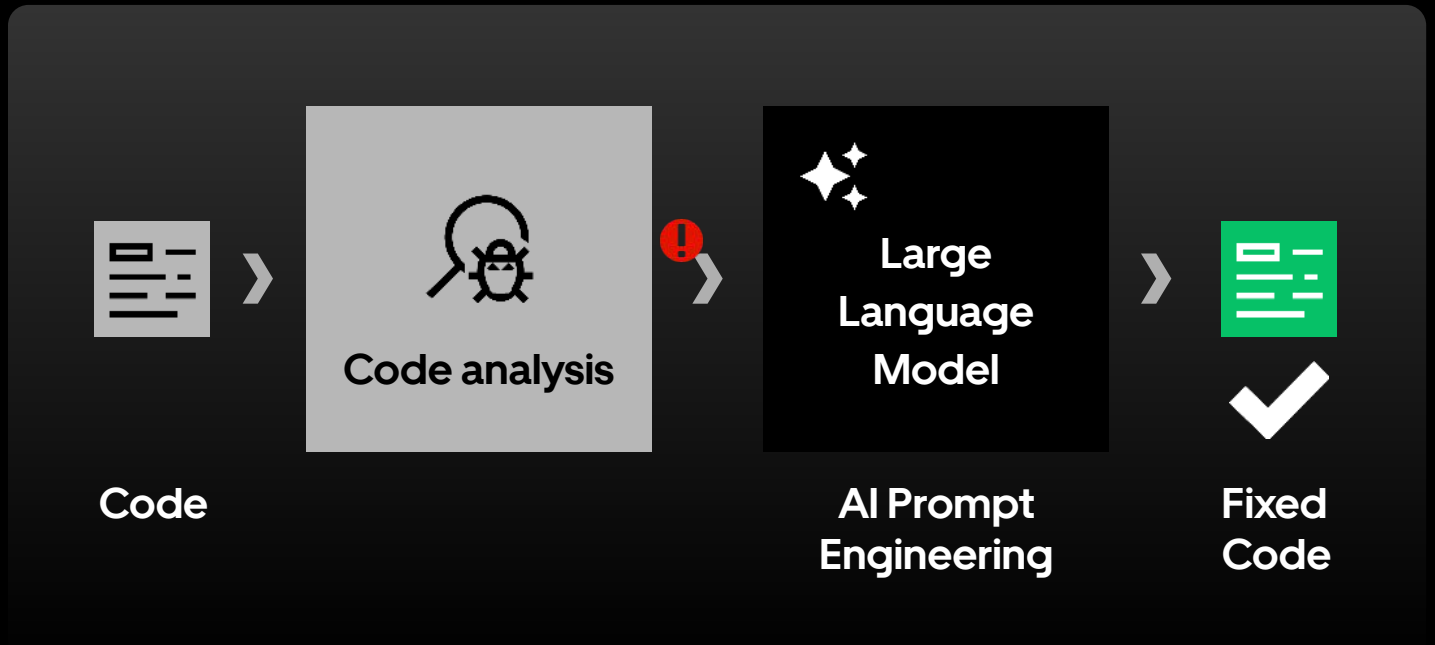
7K

Java errors / week

15min*

Dev time / error

Automatically fix errors in code



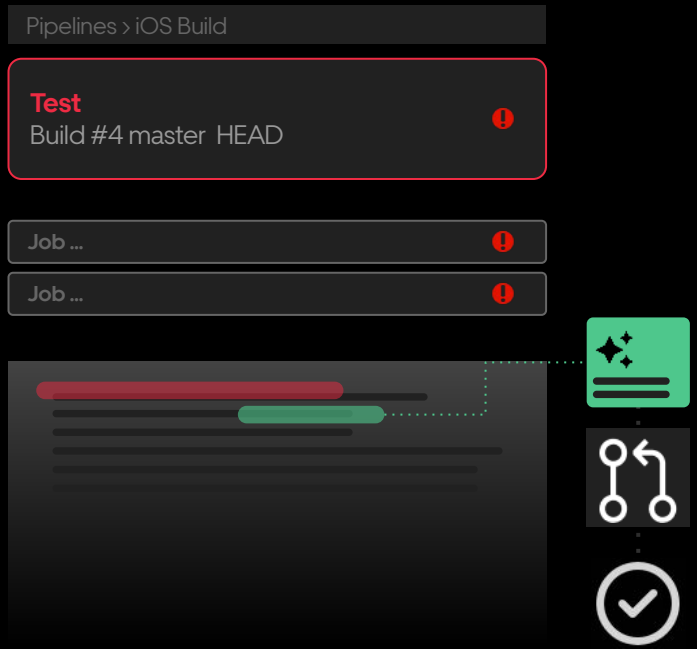
3.5K

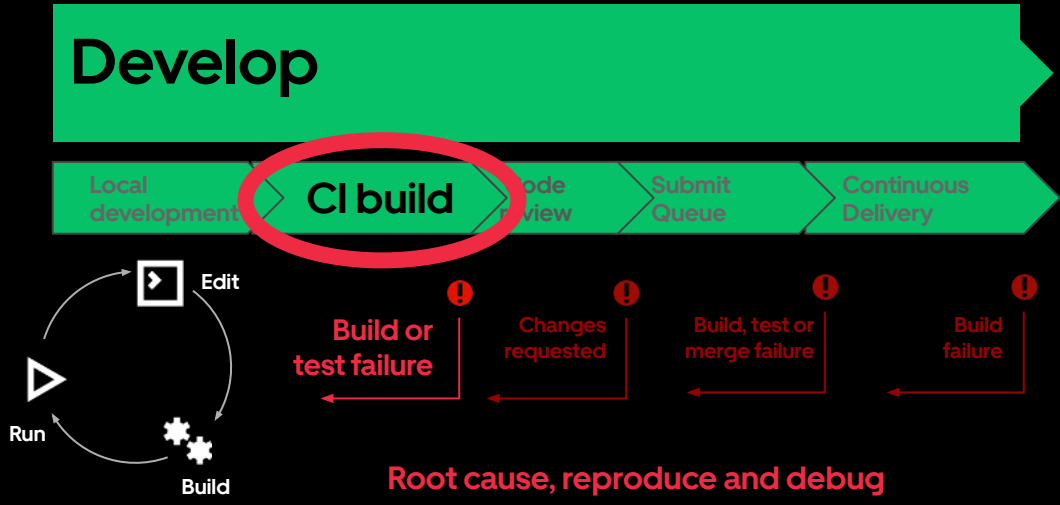
Errors auto-fixed / week*

875

Dev hrs saved per week*

Automatically fix CI errors





Root cause, reproduce and debug

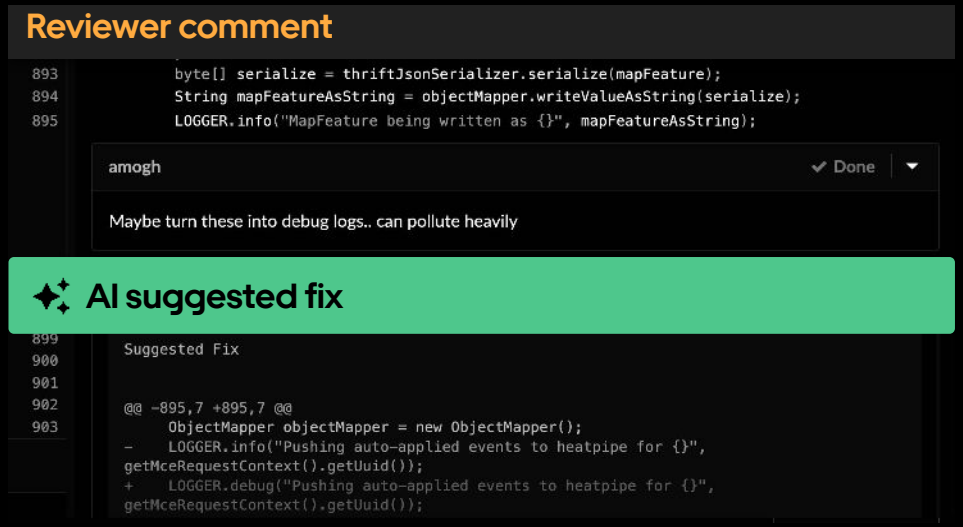
HIGH IMPACT WHEN

CI Failure Rate is **HIGH**

CI execution Time is **HIGH**

Automatically fix code review feedback

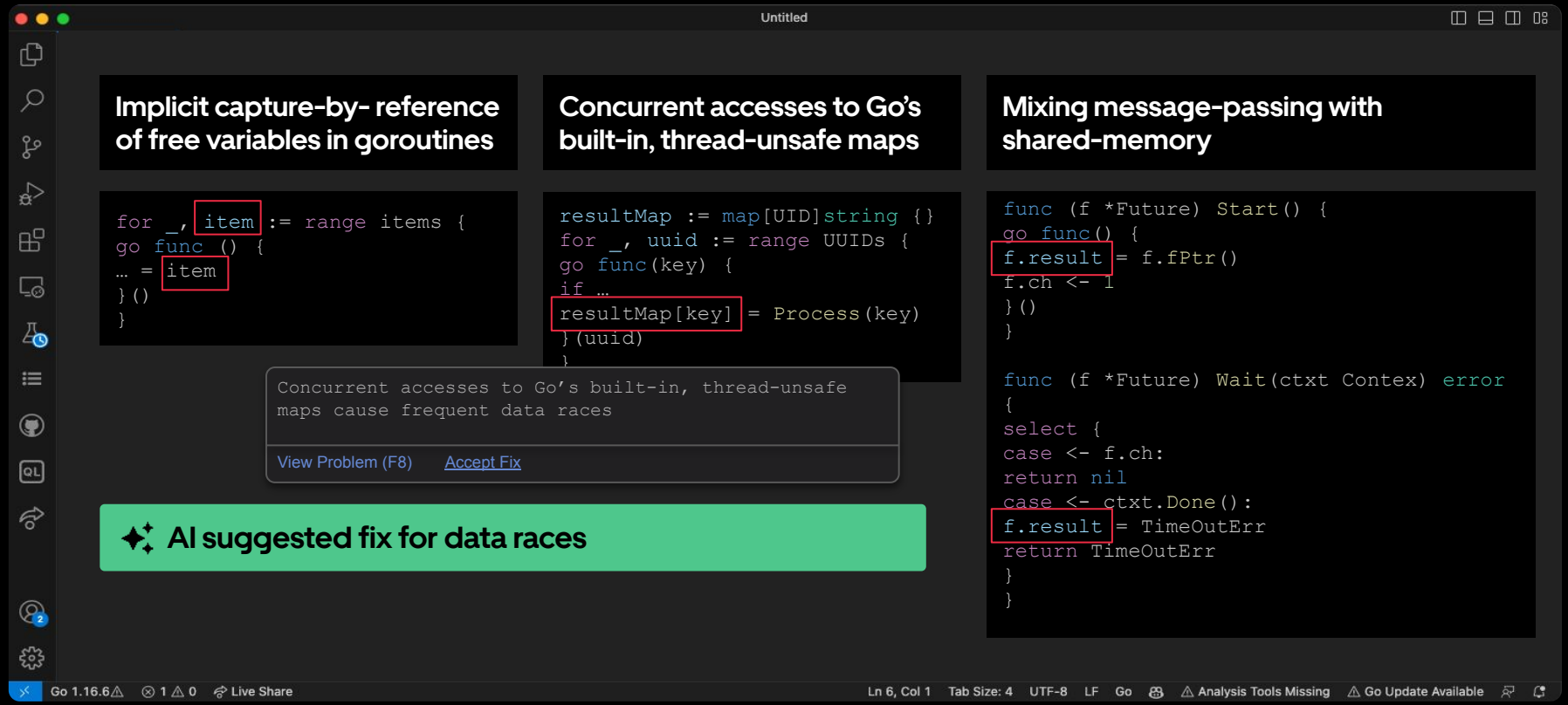
10K	1hr	~$1M	2K	2K	$10M
Diffs / week	Dev time/diff	Cost per week	Auto-fixes / week	Dev hrs saved per week	Savings per year



Categories of review feedback fixed

- Rename, annotate or change type (11%)
- Nitpicks (3%)
- Other actionable feedback (6%)
  - Logging
  - Exception handling
  - Null checks
  - Collection & streams
  - Date & time APIs
  - Missing documentation

Automatically fix issues in the IDE



Automatic app testing

AI generated mobile test flow

Eliminates costly test maintenance

Higher quality, less effort

Efficient incident management

On-Call

- Pager-Duty
- Rotation, alerts, runbooks
- Improve signal to noise ratio

AI generated Handoff notes

Incident response

- Identify incident and respond
- Mitigate incident
- Communicate incident

Anomaly detection
Incident leveling
Enrich with similar incidents
Catch me up with status

Postmortem

- Identify root cause
- Write post-mortem
- Peer review

Find the root cause
Identify related events
Suggest mitigation steps
Generate post mortem
Assess the post mortem

Incident review

- Select incidents for review
- Conduct incident review
- Plan and prioritize follow-up work

Find frequent fault areas
Create follow up actions

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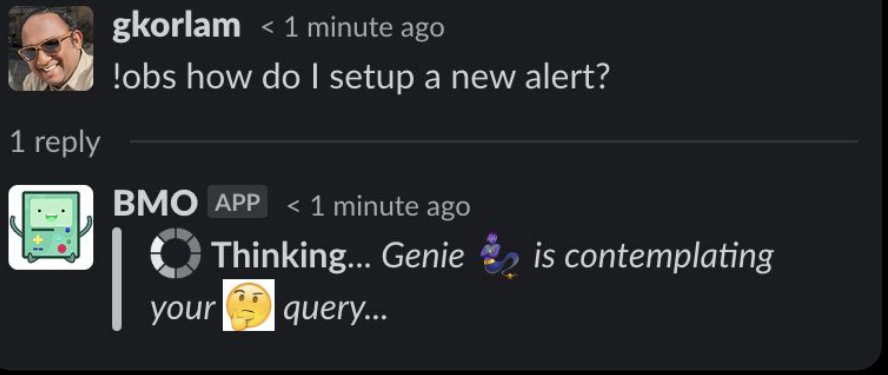
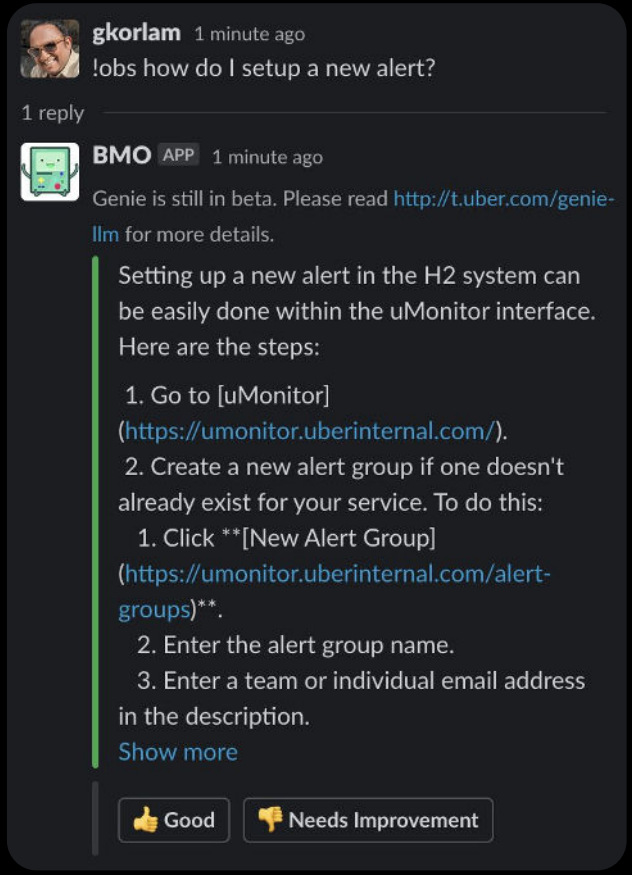
Automate developer support

✨ Slack bot to answer questions

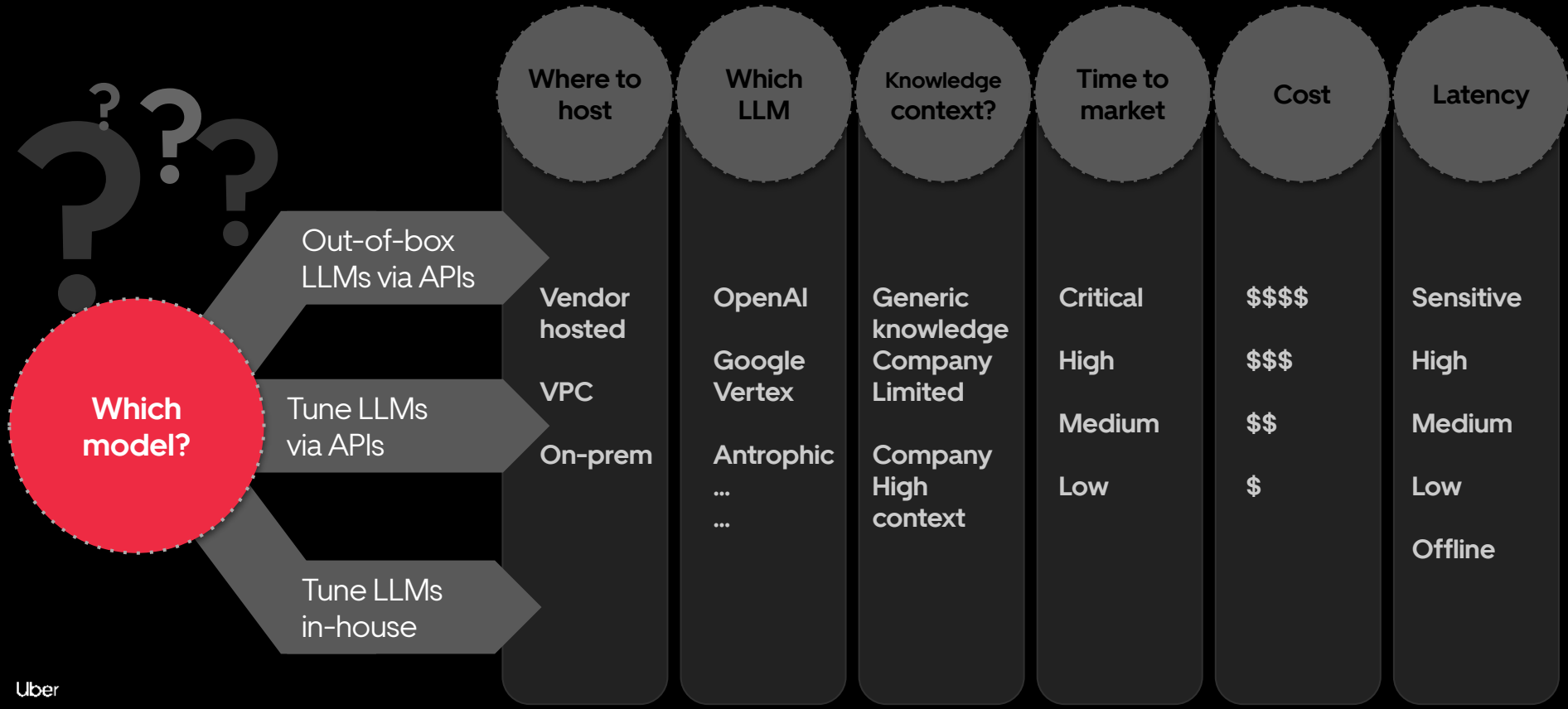




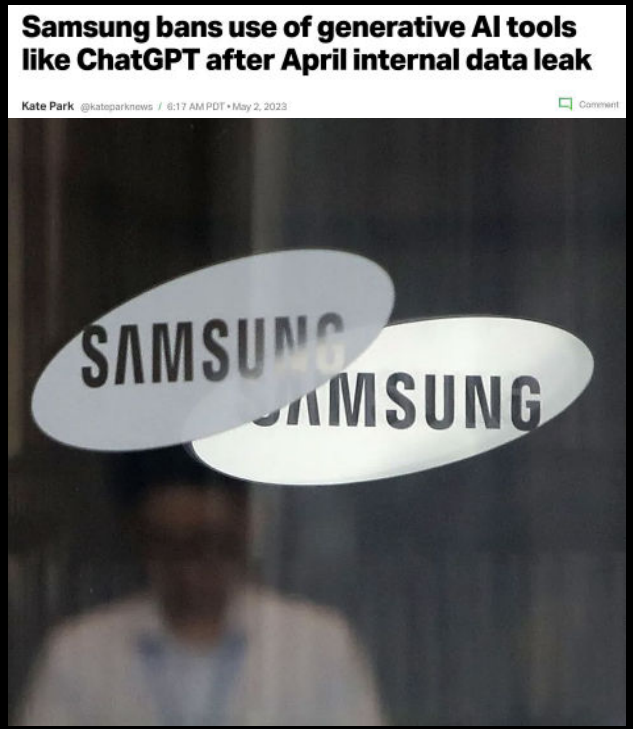

The Future

How to get started?

Considerations



Evaluate potential risks



RISKS

Data sent to LLMs

- **Data privacy** - Sharing private data with a 3rd party
- **IP** - Risk of exposing own IP into public domain

Data suggestions from LLM

- **IP** - Risk of getting back other's copyrighted content
- **Quality** - Accuracy of the outputs
- **Explainability** - Not being able to trace back the output to its source

Get your team excited

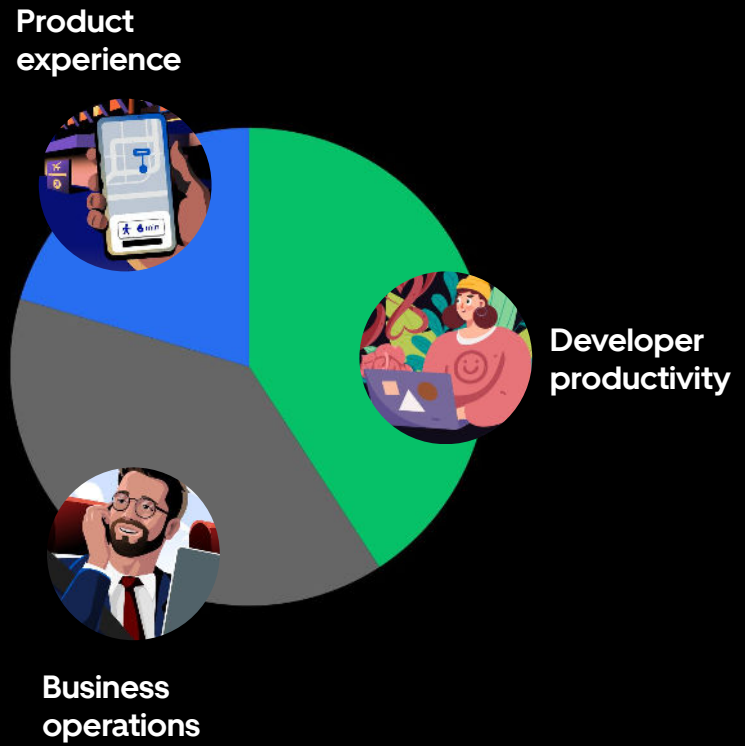
Internal Hackathon

700+
Participants

100
Projects demoed

6
Sites around the globe

3
Broad categories



Takeaways

- Modern software development is complex
- Gen AI promises to tame this complexity
- Lots of opportunities in realizing these promises
- The entire Developer workflow needs to be rethought with AI
- Let's get started!

Thank you!

Questions ?

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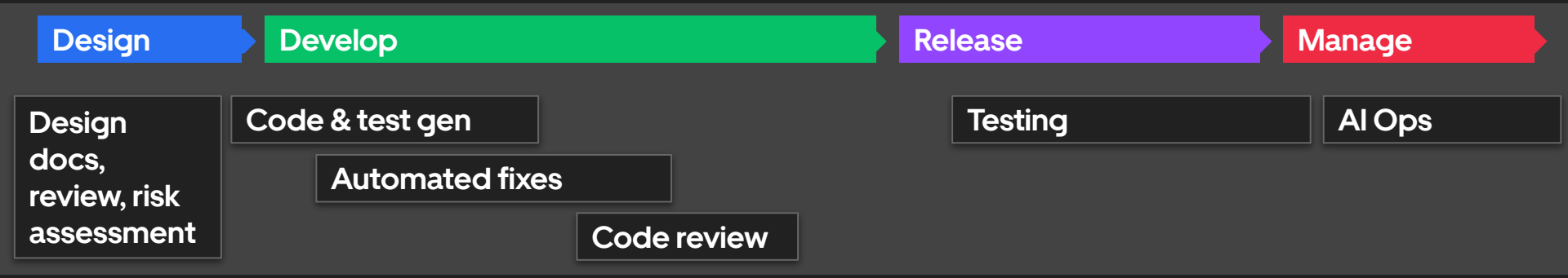
Backup

Developer workflow: AI opportunities



Requirements
Write requirements
Review design docs
Risk assessment
UX design
UI/UX design

Code & test generation
Automated dependency upgrades,
Config generation,
Auto-refactor legacy code
Debugging: Debug helper,
Testing: Auto generate unit tests,
Automated fixes: Automated data race detection, code fixes
Code review: Automate code reviews, Auto fix based on review comments
CI debugging: CI failure classification

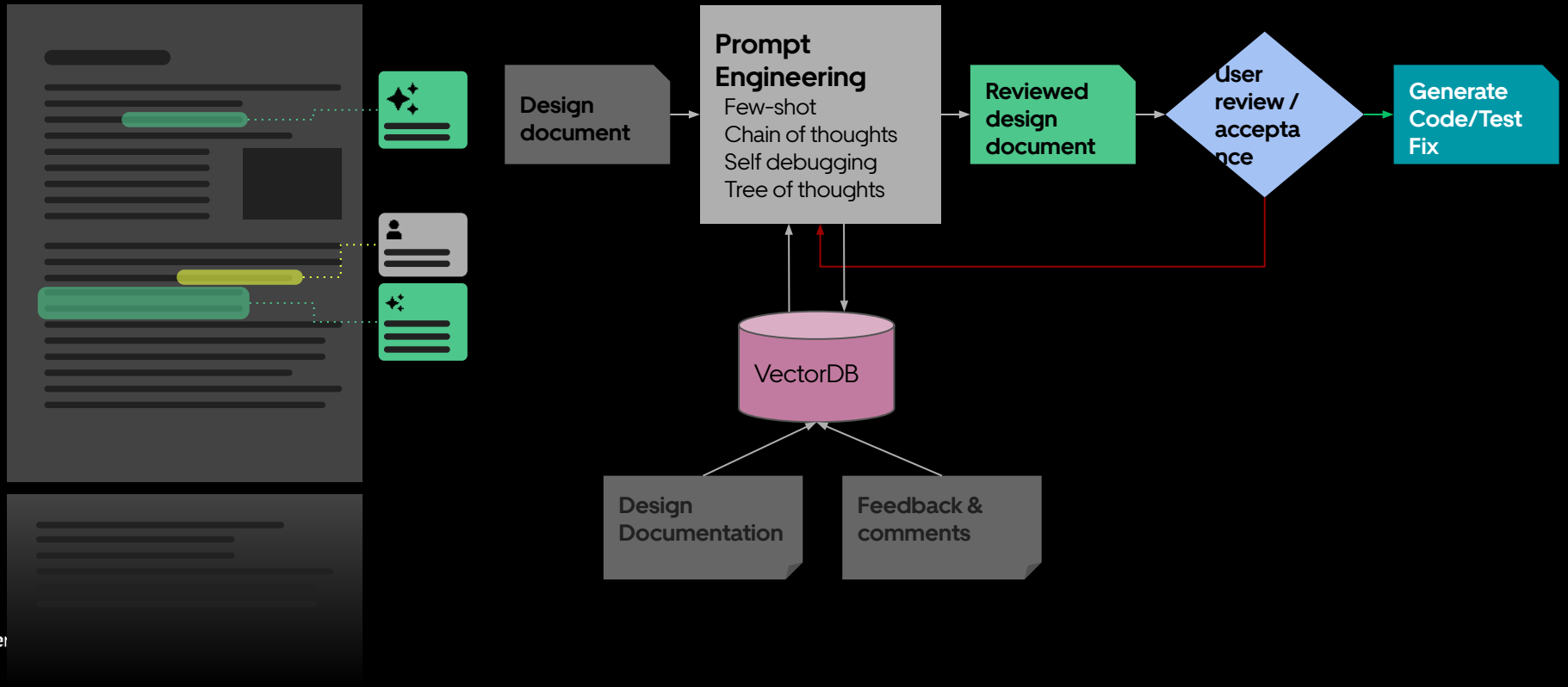
Automated E2E & mobile Testing:
Auto generate mobile, localization tests

Incident mitigation:
Troubleshoot analytics events,
Oncall assistant

Knowledge Base (Messaging, documentation, collaboration tools)

Documentation: Auto generate & update documentation,
Oncall experience: Chatbot for internal knowledge base

Design ERD automatic review



Automatically fixing static analysis errors

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10K @SuppressWarnings in Java codebase

Other analyses in progress

- Go data races

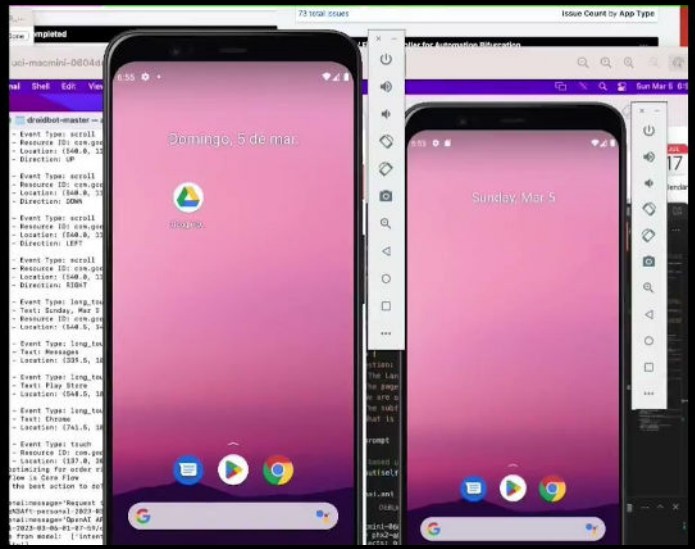
* Google study

AI-driven automated Mobile End-2-End Testing

E2E automation challenges

- Flakiness
- Maintenance
- Different languages
- Impossible to shift left

AI-based E2E testing



Uber Tech-wide HackDayz

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Winners

Developer productivity

Code generation, Code reviews, Automated fixes, Testing & debugging, Knowledge base

Business operations

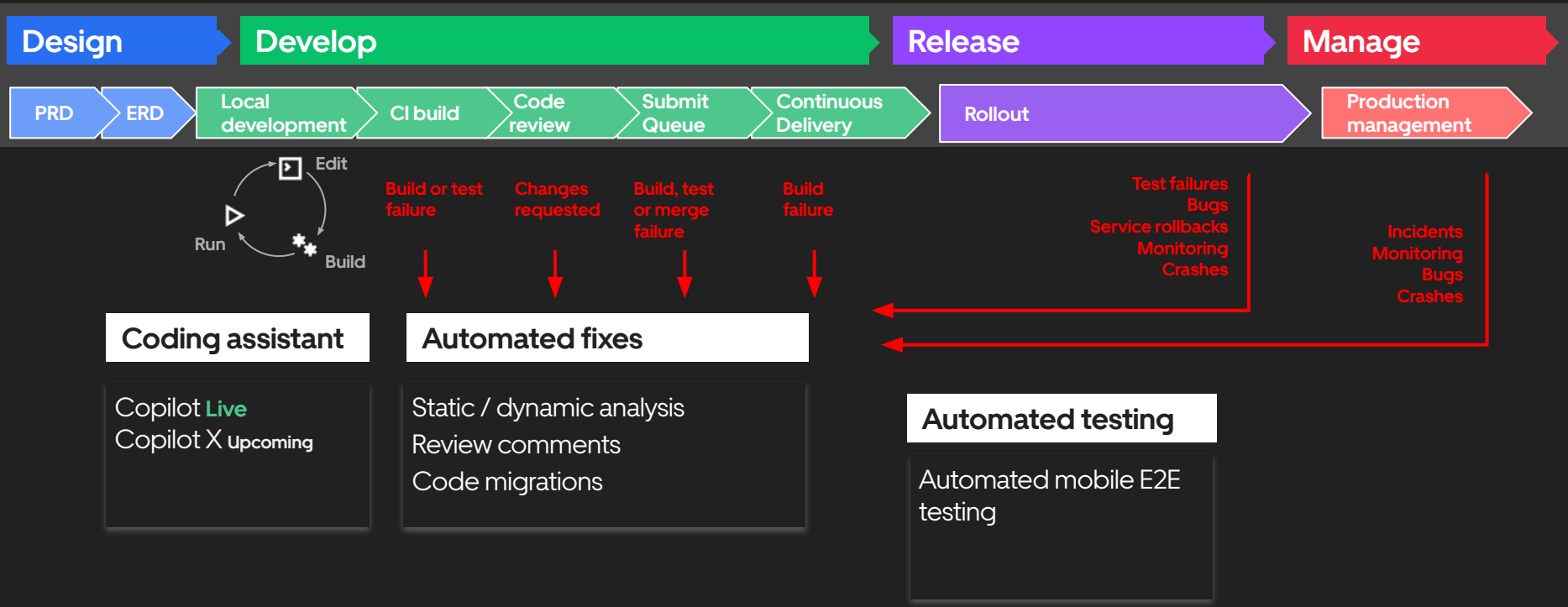
Operations improvements, Data & query optimization, Security, Privacy & safety risk, Employee experience

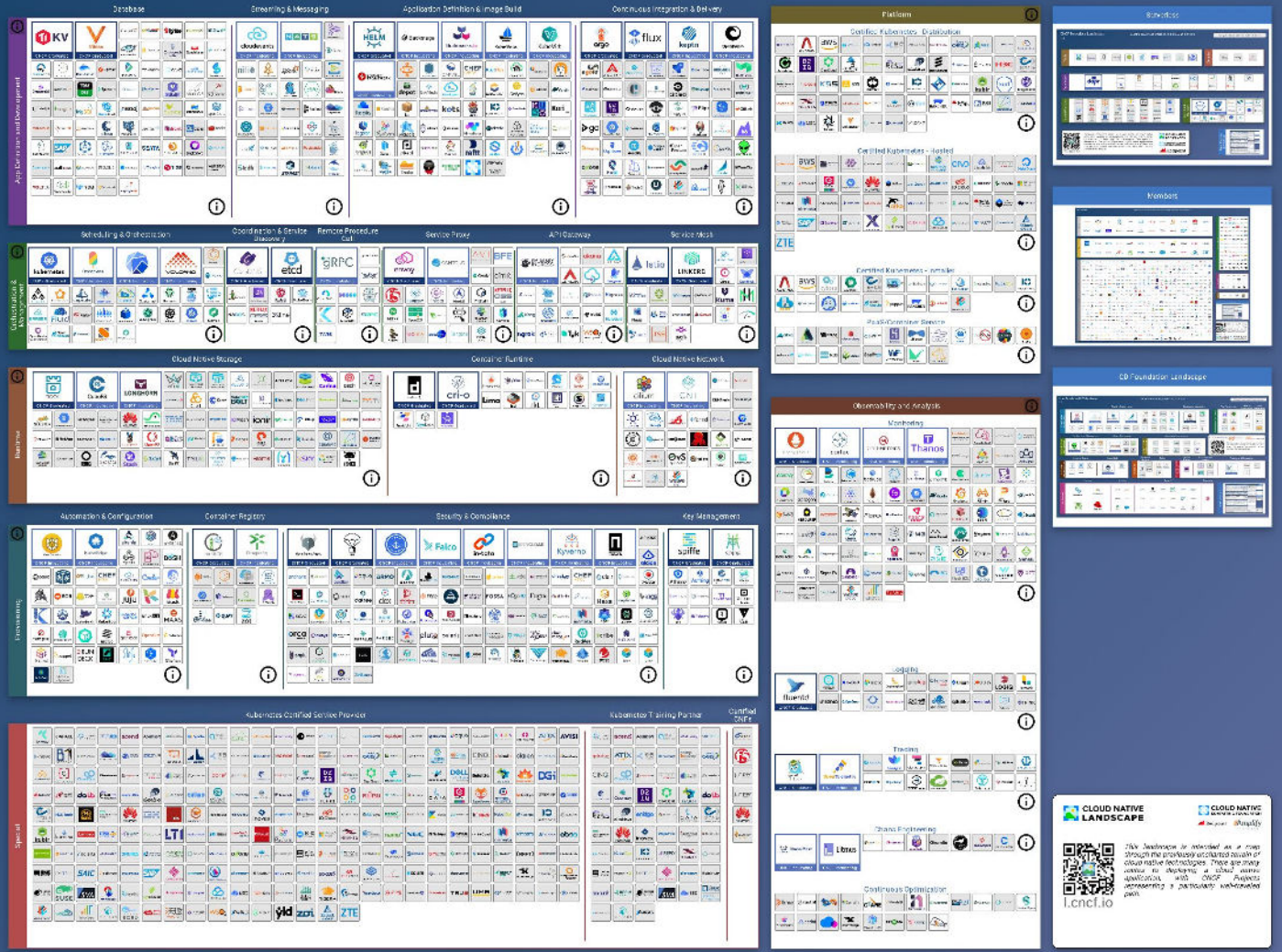
Product experience

Delivery experience, Rider experience, Earner experience

How to create internal LLM

What we have been able to get it to do

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Database
Streaming & Messaging
Application Definition & Image Build
Continuous Integration & Delivery
App Definition and Development
Scheduling & Orchestration
Coordination & Service Discovery
Remote Procedure Call
Service Proxy
API Gateway
Service Mesh
Orchestration & Management
Cloud Native Storage
Container Runtime
Cloud Native Network
Runtime
Automation & Configuration
Container Registry
Security & Compliance
Key Management
Provisioning
Kubernetes Certified Service Provider
Kubernetes Training Partner
Certified KCSPs
Special
Platform
Certified Kubernetes - Distribution
Certified Kubernetes - Hosted
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Gen AI or Not?

Great if your task is ...

- Related to natural language processing or image/video/audio creation
- Translation, summarization, sentiment analysis, extraction, search, similarity, retrieval
- Requires general knowledge and/or reasoning
- You have very little training data
    - i.e., zero / few shot learning

Not so great if ...

- you already have an effective ML solution that's performing well
- (e.g., NLP classification)
- The cost of being inaccurate IS very high
- Explainability of a prediction IS very important
- Your use case is highly sensitive to latency

Color

brand palette

For more information and guidance on using brand colors, click here

Our color palette embraces a full spectrum of color and has been brightened for its legibility and accessibility. All colors are ADA compliant when used as a background paired with black text or when used as colored typography paired with a black background.

For **Mobility**, be sure to use white or color headline text on a black background.
For **Delivery**, be sure to use black text over a color background.

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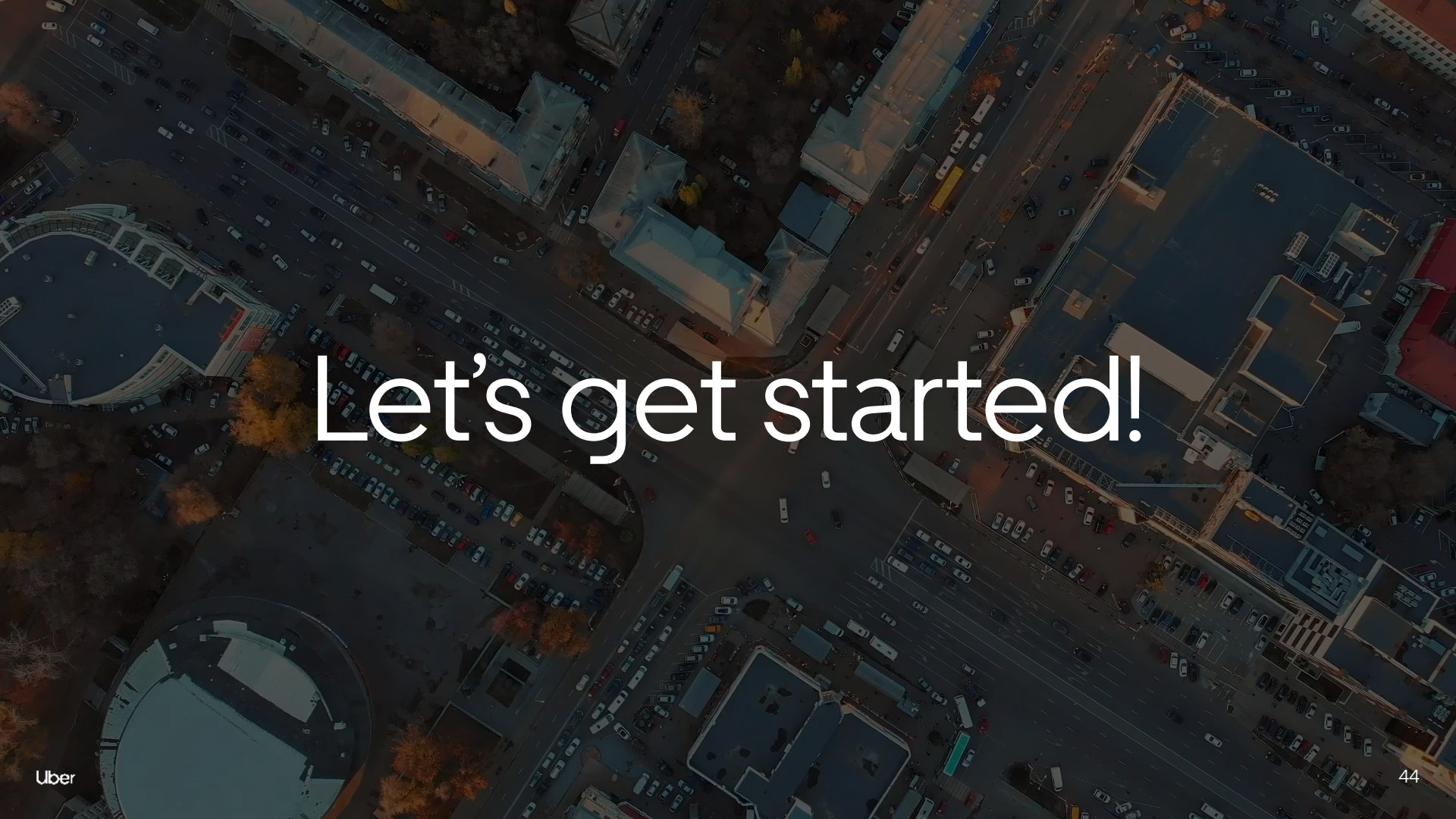
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