#### Introduction to Microservices

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What are Microservices?

#### James Lewis & Martin Fowler on Microservices

- Componentization via Services
- Organized around Business Capabilities
- Products not Projects
- Smart endpoints and dumb pipes
- Decentralized Governance
- Decentralized Data Management
- Infrastructure Automation
- Design for failure
- Evolutionary Design





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# **Microservice** Complexity

- Microservices are simple
- Microservice systems are complex

# Fred Brooks on Software Complexity

"The complexity of software is an essential property not an accidental one. Hence descriptions of a software entity that abstract away its complexity often abstract away its essence."





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# Why Microservices?

a useful way of managing *change* in software applications

#### The Microservices Way

## Speed and Safety at Scale and in Harmony

# **Speed** and Safety at Scale and in Harmony

#### We Want Change and We Want it Now



#### What Would Amazon Do?





#### What Would Netflix Do?



## Jeff Bezos Wants Amazon to be Fast

"We want to combine the extraordinary customer-serving capabilities that are enabled by size with the speed of movement, nimbleness, and risk-acceptance mentality normally associated with entrepreneurial startups."

Jeff Bezos Amazon 2015 Letter to Shareholders



# Examples of Increasing Speed

- Zero beuracracy, don't ask for permission
- Zero validation, don't test anything
- Increase change frequency
- Higher faster programmers
- Use un-constrained languages and tools
- Change production directly

#### Facebook's Motto

### "Move Fast and Break Things"

Mark Zuckerberg



# Speed and **Safety** at Scale and in Harmony

# Why Safe?

- Sometimes failures are catastrophic
- Startups can afford to be less-safe, endups are usually more cautious

# Examples of Increasing Safety

- Strong governance, control everything
- Always validate, test everything
- Reduce change frequency
- Higher safer programmers
- Use constrained languages and tools
- No access to production environments

# Speed and Safety at Scale and in Harmony

## The Scaling Factor

A changes in size can have a big impact on our system:

Scaled **demand** Scaled **distance** Scaled **organizations** 

## Speed and Safety at Scale and in Harmony





Autonomy

Control

**De-centralization** 

Centralization

Embrace Risk

Avoid Risk

#### Trade-Offs







Safety

## Harmony

"Cheating" the speed-safety trade-off:

- Introduce automation
- Change process and tooling
- Alter the organizational design
- Improve the architecture
- Design the culture
- Move the change boundaries

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Facebook's motto in 2014









#### How We Work Today



# The System That Outputs a System



#### The People Elements



#### Towards Harmony: Traditional Obstacles

- Co-ordination costs are too high
- Change is laborious
- Risk levels are too high (human error)

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Organization	Distributed Authority	Specialization	Better Talent

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