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What Embedded can learn from IT Testing Techniques

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Agenda

- Introduction

- Industry trends

- Inspiration from IT

- Suggestions and (research) questions

- Examples

Introduction

Publisher of software test-solution (test-automation)

Private company, founded 30 years ago

- Started in domain of Parallel Software

- Mission: Perfecting Software

Company Offices:

- Los Angeles (US) / Krakow (PL)

- EMEA HQ in The Hague (NL)

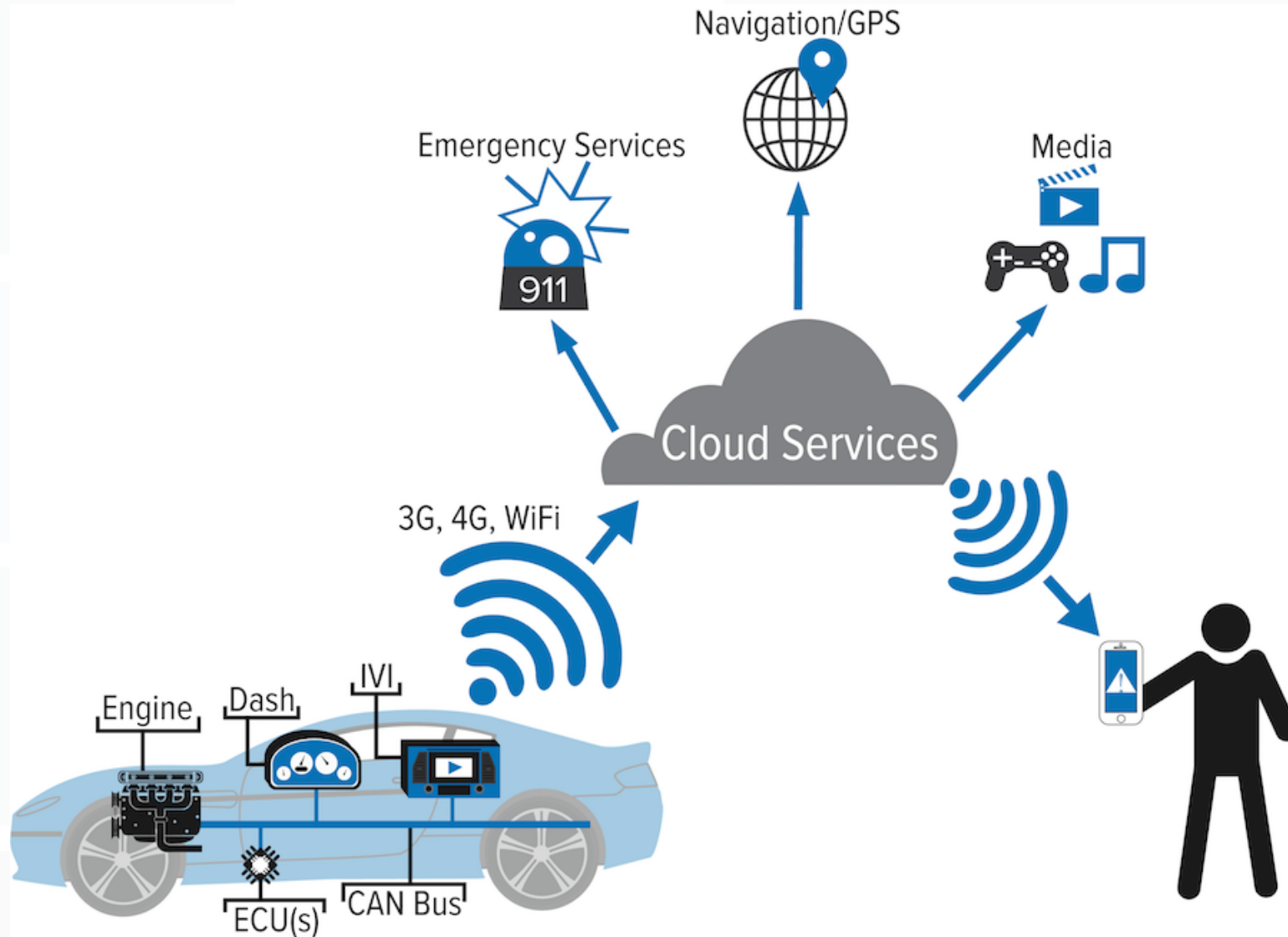- DACH office in Berlin (DE)

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Introduction

- Tools: Static analysis, Unit-testing, Coverage
  - Team level

- Solutions: API testing, service virtualization
  - Architecture level

- Platforms: Development & Continuous testing
  - Process level

- Analytics: Compliance & Metrics
  - Research level

Industry Trends

- Open architecture (standards & protocols)
- Connectivity (24x7) is a game changer:
    - System of Systems
    - Shifts attention of testing
- New trends emerge in automotive, medical, …
    - Software = 21% of vehicle value
    - Software configurable & remote updates
- Safety, security, quality
    - "Computer got out of its cage"

Reference picture

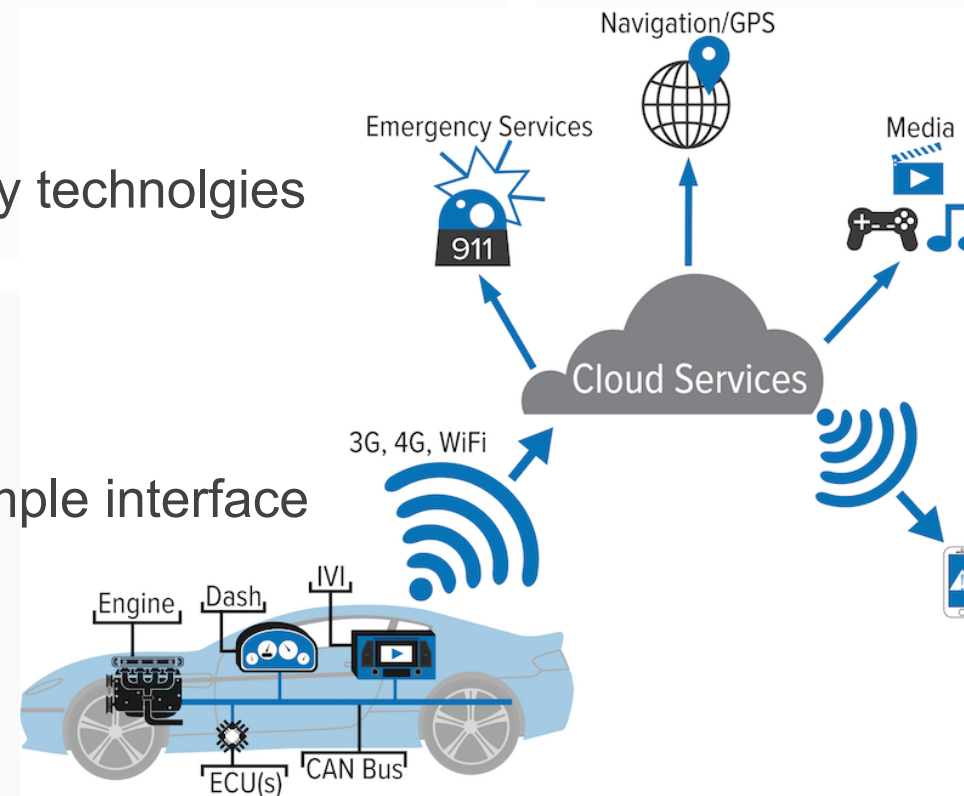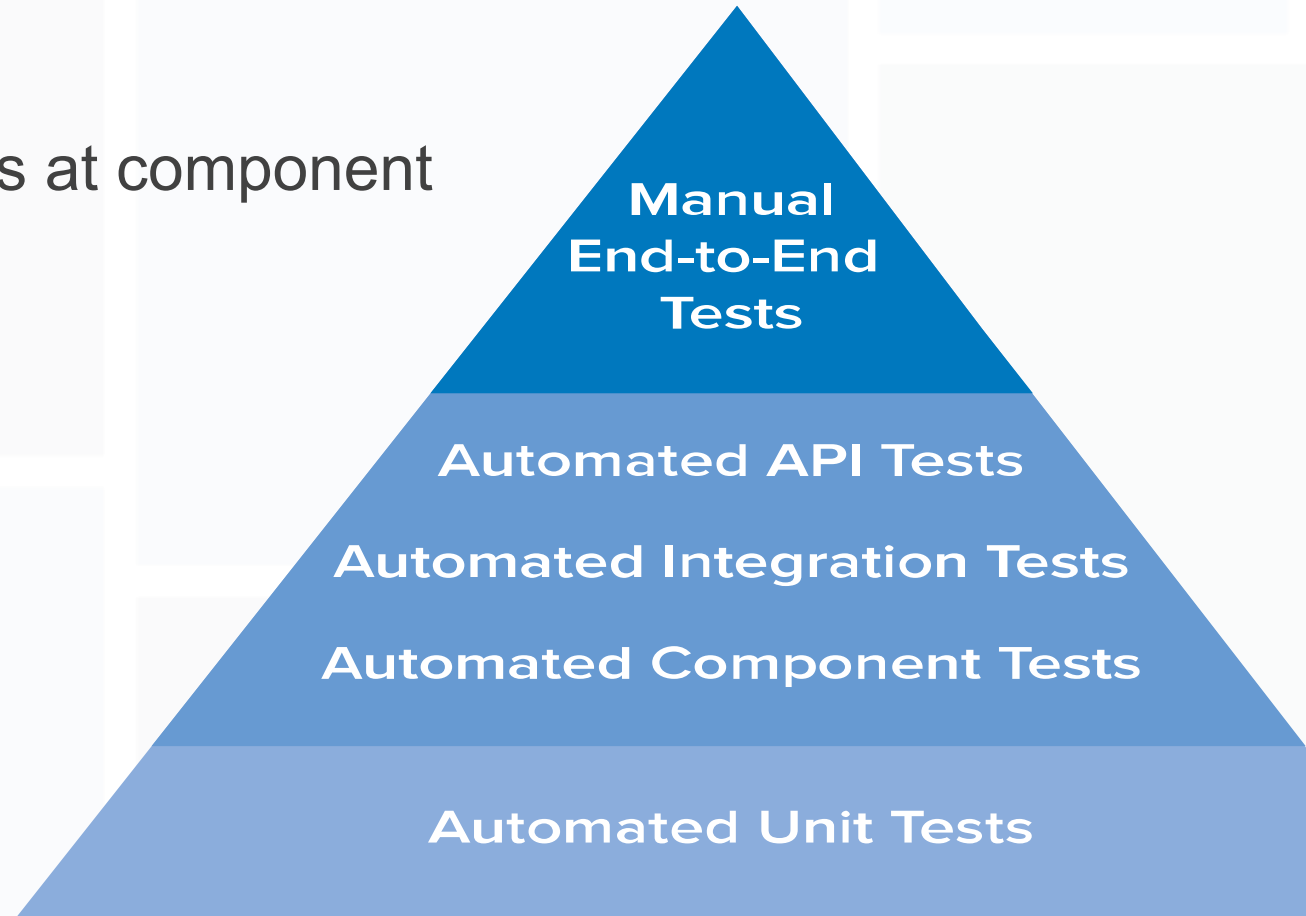# Reference picture: but a car is not static

Technology specifics

- Multi-layered systems

  - Even simple functionality may require different teams to develop

- Disparate technologies

  - Debugging requires solid understanding of many technolgies

- Functionality spanning across many layers

  - Complex functionality may be hidden behind simple interface
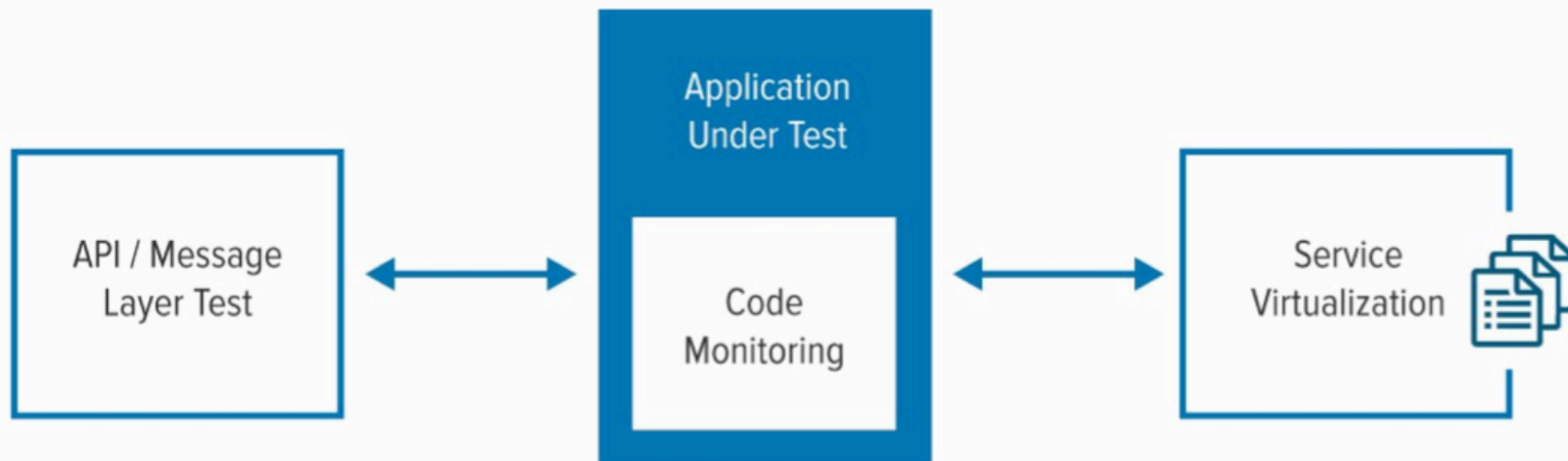
How to do it better ?

- Limit manual end-to-end testing

- Invest more into automated tests at component

- Follow testing pyramid rules

- Measure:
  - test results
  - test effectiveness

Manual End-to-End Tests

Automated API Tests

Automated Integration Tests

Automated Component Tests

Automated Unit Tests

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How to do it better ?

- Give absolute priority to automated tests
- Invest time into designing interfaces (API)
- Use API (service) testing tools to cover interfaces
- Measure the quality of the test

API / Message Layer Test ⟷ Application Under Test · Code Monitoring ⟷ Service Virtualization
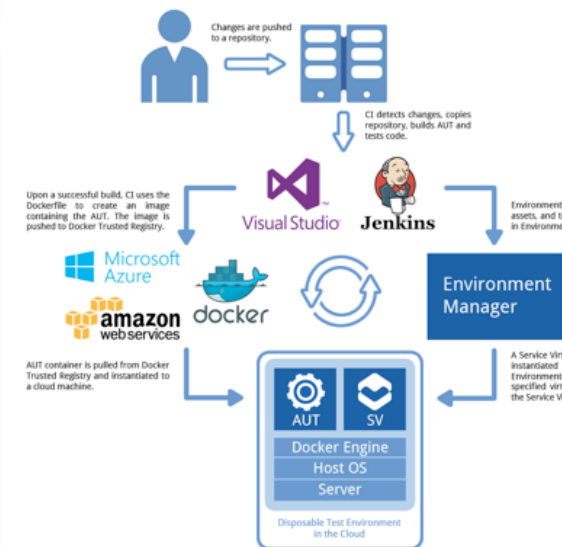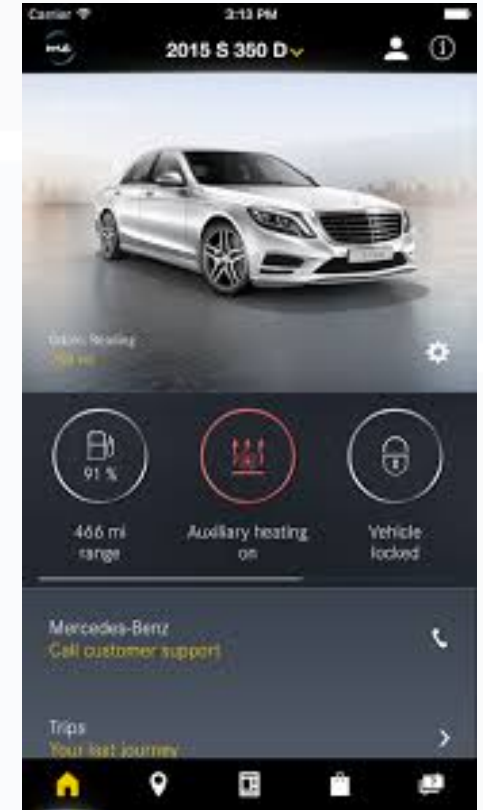
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How to do it better ?

- **Emulate dependent systems with service virtualization, which removes testing constraints and increases flexibility across complex test environments.**

- **Research question:** *What is the right level of abstraction to intro- duce simulation and how "realistic" do these virtual services have to be? What is the impact of the factor "real-time" when using Service Virtualization for cyber-physical systems?*

Example: Service Virtualization

- Car and App

- Connect via gateway

  - Backend connection

- Agile development

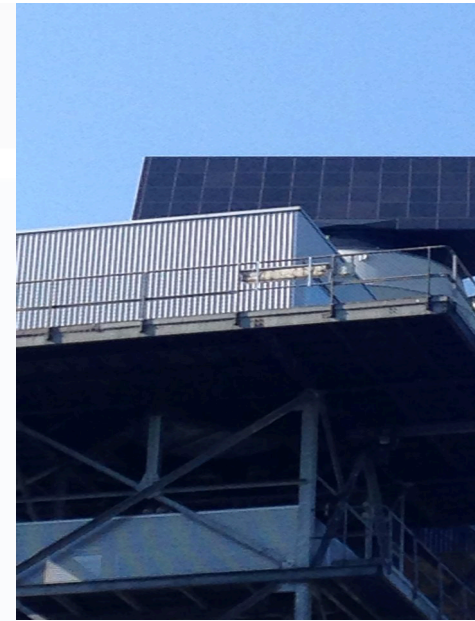 - Simulated test environment
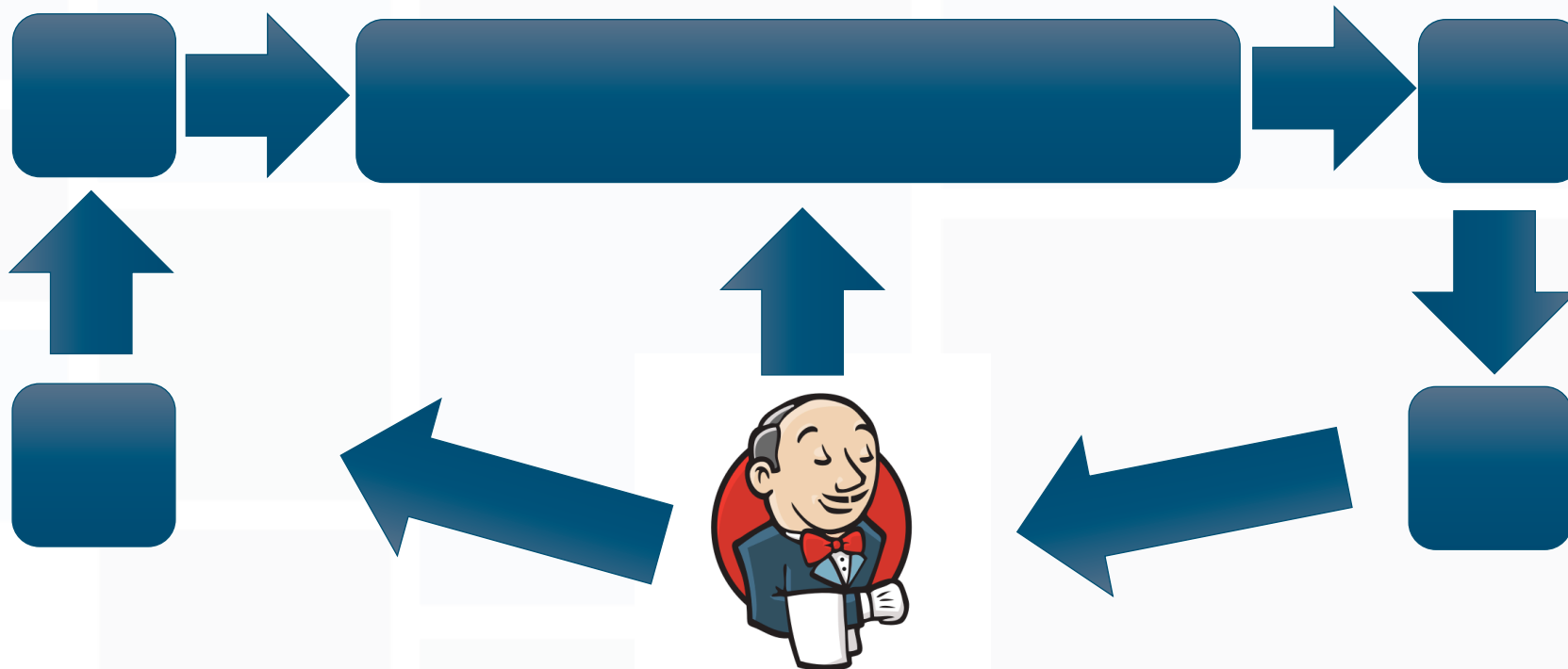
- Load and performance testing

How to do it better ?

- **Test at scale when scalable hardware is unavailable or impractical.**

- *Research questions: How can we efficiently create these virtual environments and to include "fault models" to simulate the required test conditions?*

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Example: API testing

- Radar tracking software (SMART-L)

- Data feed & Matlab verification

- API-driven regression testing
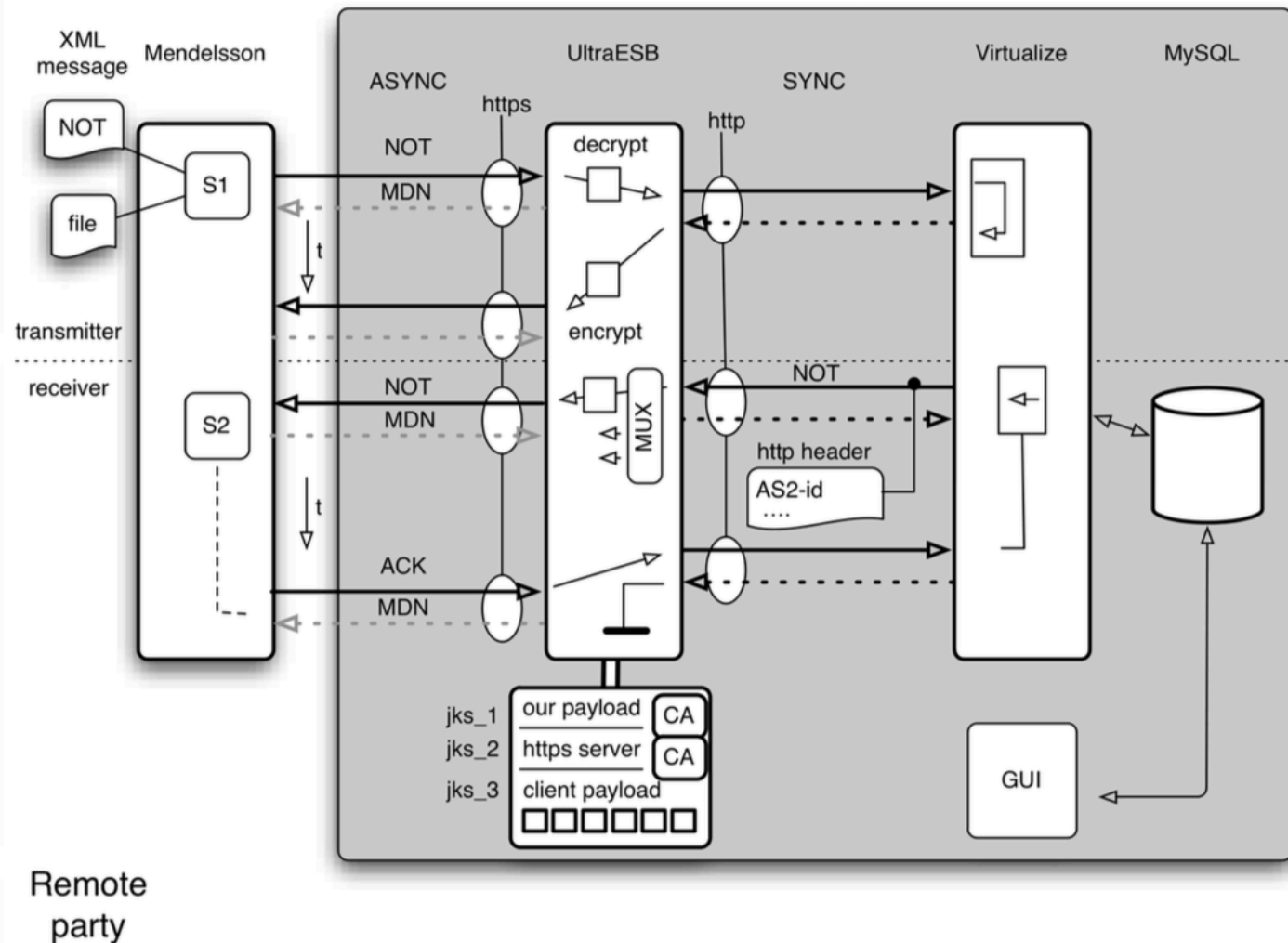

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How to do it better ?

- **Leverage penetration testing techniques to expose security vulnerabilities and trace their impact directly to the code base.**
  - **"Unintended Easter-eggs", or for some a "Christmas present"**

- *Research questions: How can we support the discovery of the (code level) rules that prevent possible vulnerabilities, in particular in case of highly connected systems with diverse technology stack?*

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Example: Compliance testing

- Energy market
- B2B communication
- Protocol verification
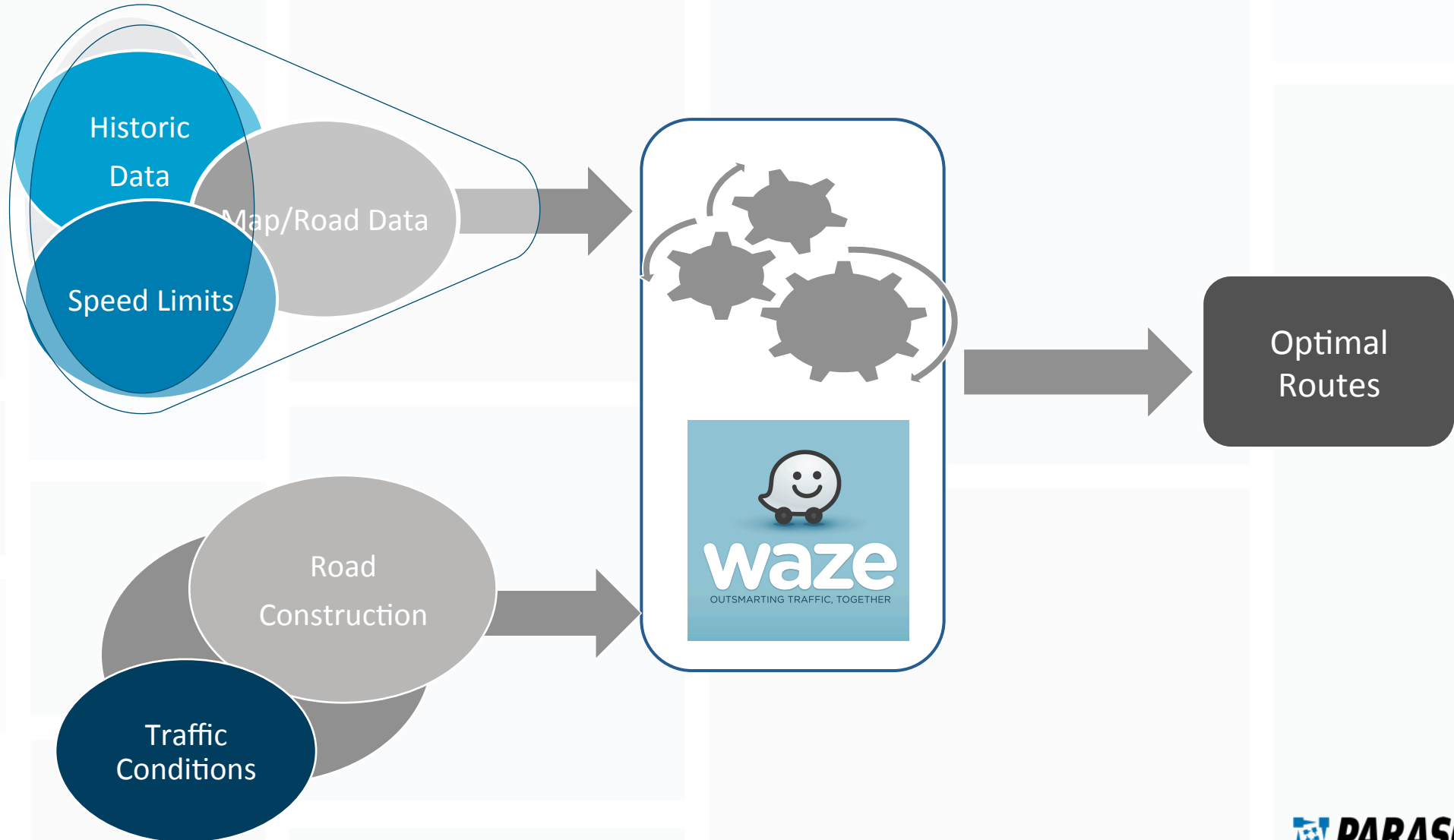
How to do it better ?

- **Combine data from coverage analysis and message layer testing technologies**

- ***Research questions***: *What are the right metrics to collect and how can the used to act as quality gates to answer strategic questions on "what is the quality of the current build of my system"?*

Harnessing "Big" Data from SW development

- Aggregate data

- Correlate data

- Mine data

- Create

  - Reports

  - Dashboards

  - Tasks

  - Alerts

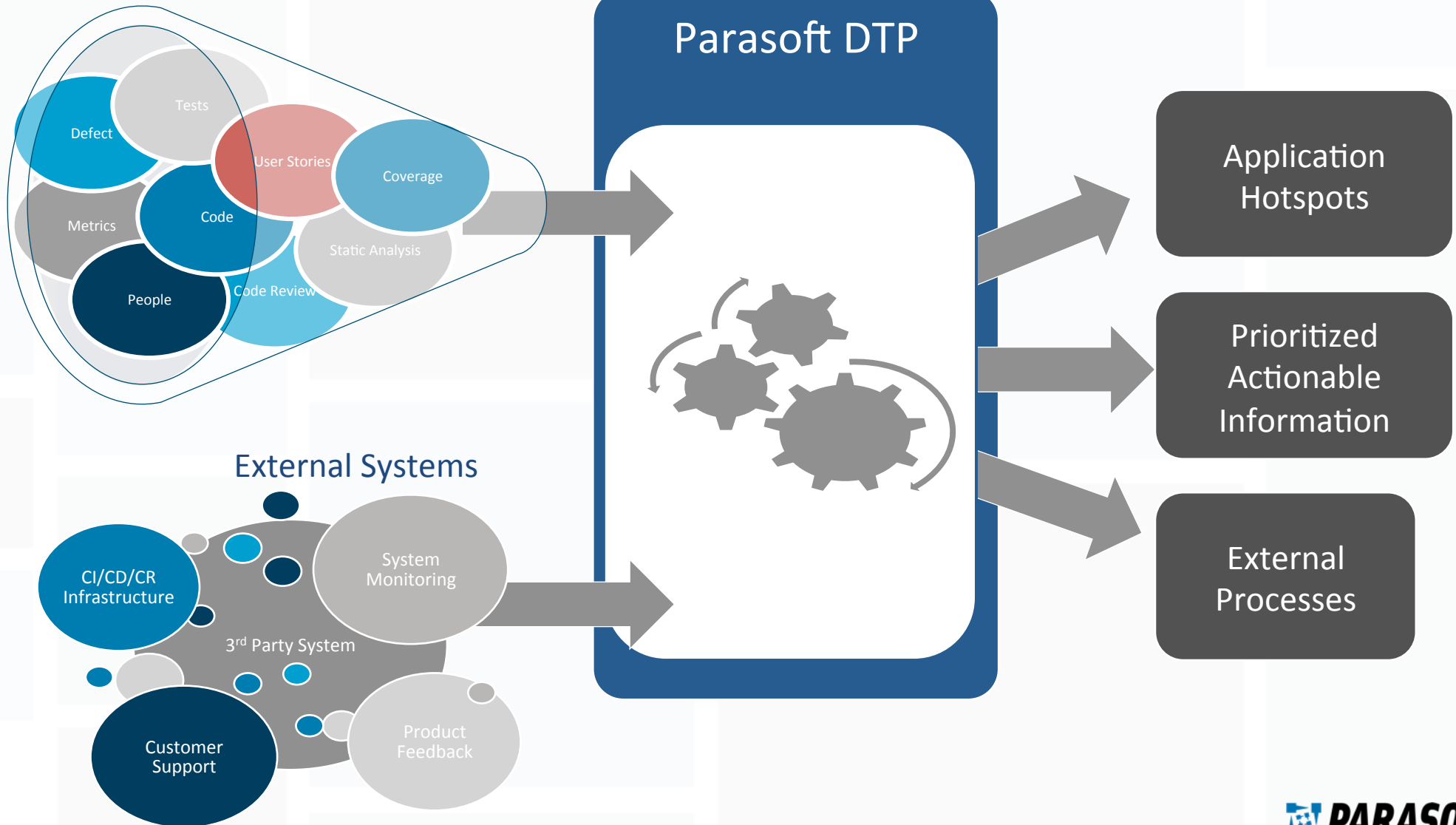- Continuous testing/delivery/release

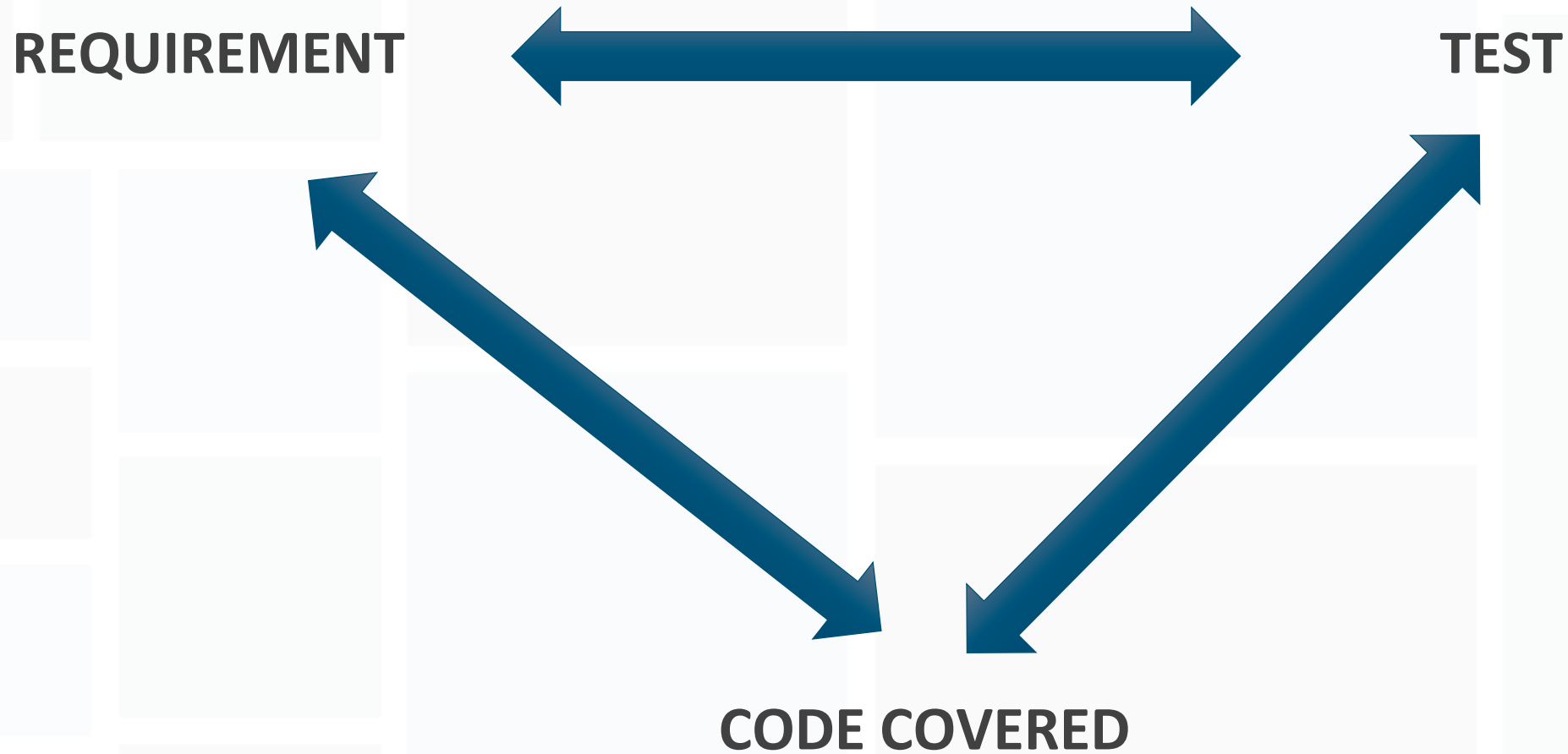**PARASOFT**®

Software Assisted Decisions: Navigation

Historic Data

Map/Road Data

Speed Limits

Road Construction

Traffic Conditions

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Optimal Routes

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Software Assisted Decisions: SW release

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Tests

Defect

User Stories

Coverage

Code

Metrics

Static Analysis

People

Code Review

Application Hotspots

Prioritized Actionable Information

External Systems

CI/CD/CR Infrastructure

System Monitoring

3rd Party System

Customer Support

Product Feedback

External Processes

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Example: Change Based Testing

REQUIREMENT ⟷ TEST

CODE COVERED

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Example: Change Based Testing

Example: More derived metrics

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Test Stability Index

The Test Stability Index (TSI) slice calculates a time-based score for failing test cases and updates each test case with the appropriate action. For projects that build constantly, whether hourly or

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Modified Coverage

The Modified Coverage PIE slice reports the coverage percentage for the lines of code that have been changed since a baseline build and graphically indicates the coverage achieved on each new or

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Key Performance Indicator

This slice calculates a key performance indicator (KPI) score by applying predefined weighted rule profiles to a given development project. The weighted rule profiles allow users to

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Risky Code Changes

This slice calculates risky code change metrics and displays them in multiple forms (pie chart, bubble chart, and report). The risky code changes slice derives three different metrics on a per

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Change Based Testing

The Change Based Testing slice calculates change based testing metrics that can be displayed in multiple forms (pie chart, table report, and DTP test case explorer). It gathers all the files in

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Test This Code

The Test This Code PIE slice is designed to give developers a reasonable starting point when they are given the daunting task of increasing code coverage. The slice looks at your existing code base

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Untested Changes

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Technical Debt

Technical debt helps you prioritize defect remediation by providing a measure of time it takes to fix defects in a project.

Test Stabilization Widget

The Test Stabilization Widget PIE slice performs stabilization analysis on passing and failing tests and visualizes

Risky Code Changes

This slice calculates risky code change metrics and displays them in multiple forms (pie chart, bubble chart, and table

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Summary

- We recognize parallel trends from "IT" to "IoT" and "IIoT"

- Automated API Testing:

  - Moving up the testing pyramid enables a cost-effective way to validate components individually and as part of the system as a whole.

- Service Virtualization:

  - Using service virtualization eliminates system constraints and enables automated tests to run continuously as part of CI workflows.

- Automated Penetration Testing:

  - Expose vulnerabilities that can be traced back to the underlying code

- Test, Requirement and Code Traceability:

  - Capturing coverage for individual tests and correlating back to original requirements enables organizations to choose the most cost-effective testing techniques.

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Q & A