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Data Driven Development for Stream Processing

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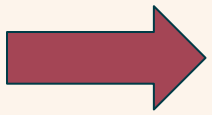

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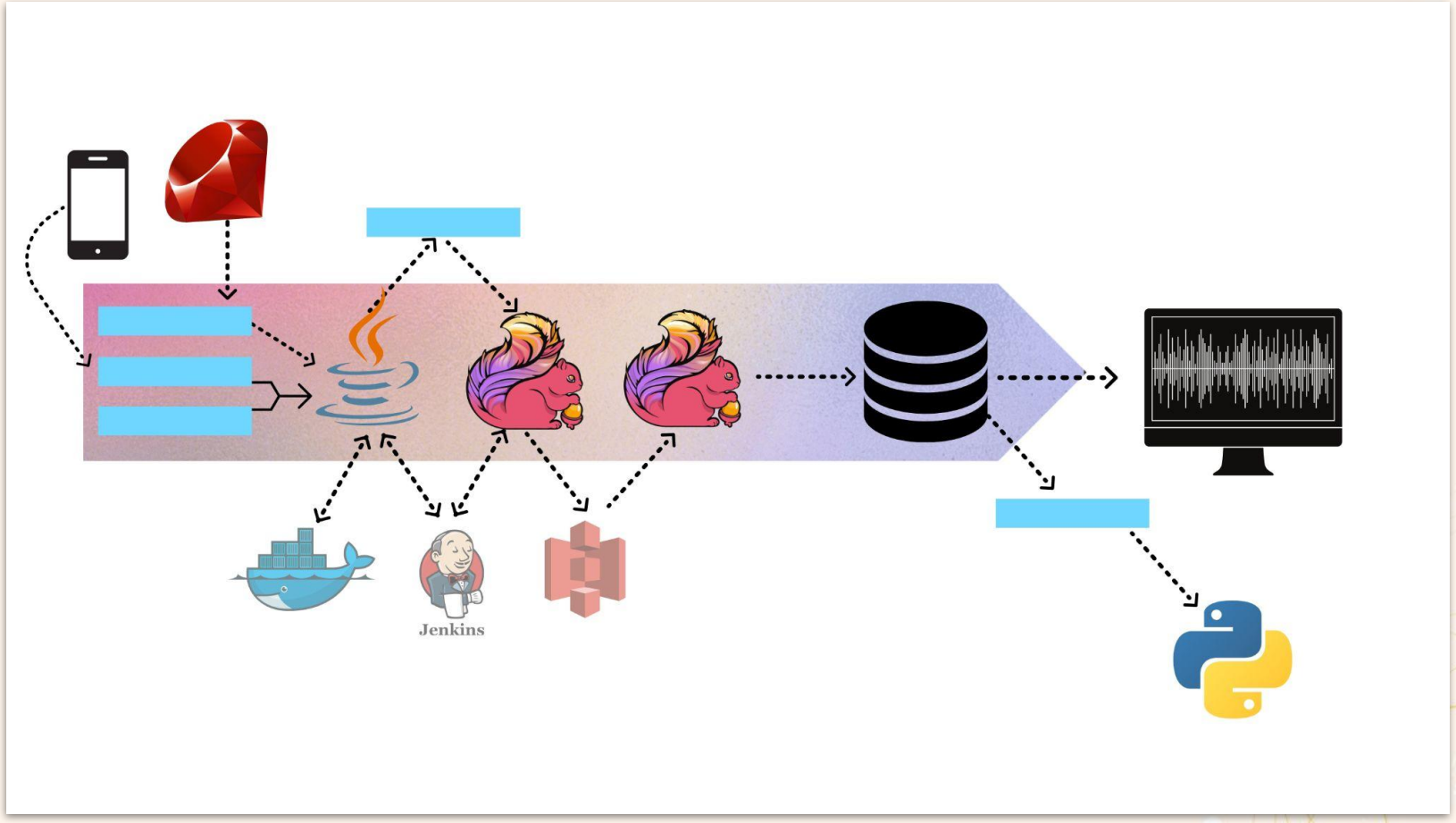

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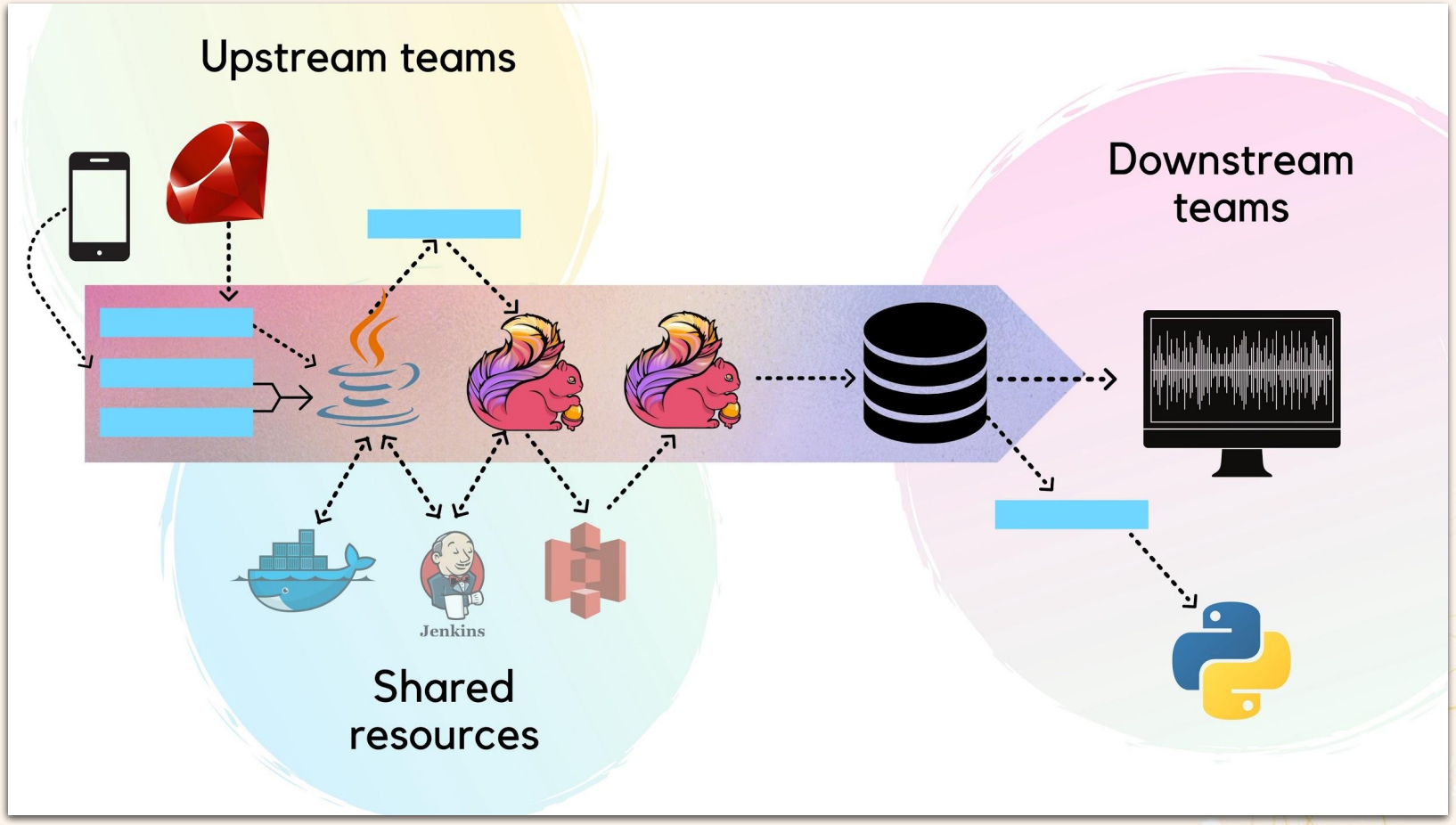

"Metrics-Driven Metrics"

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Metrics-Driven Metrics

> “You can measure almost anything, but you cannot pay attention to everything”

Metrics-Driven Metrics

> “Any situation where people create their own dashboards without structure, quickly starts to look like the cockpit of a 747”

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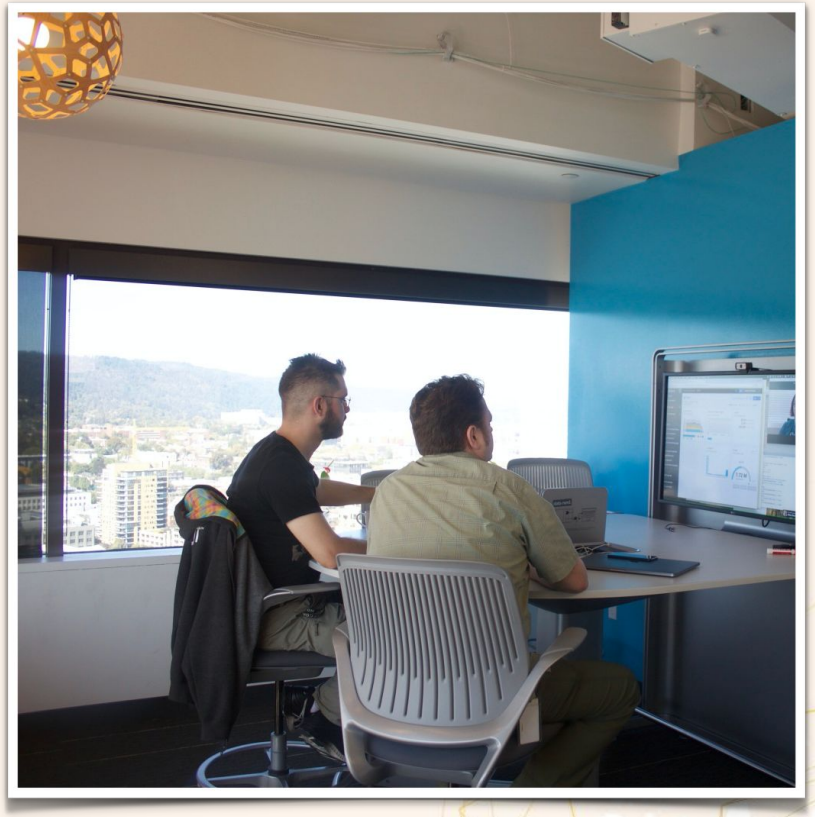
The dashboard should **be**:

- Meaningful
- Iterative
- Accessible



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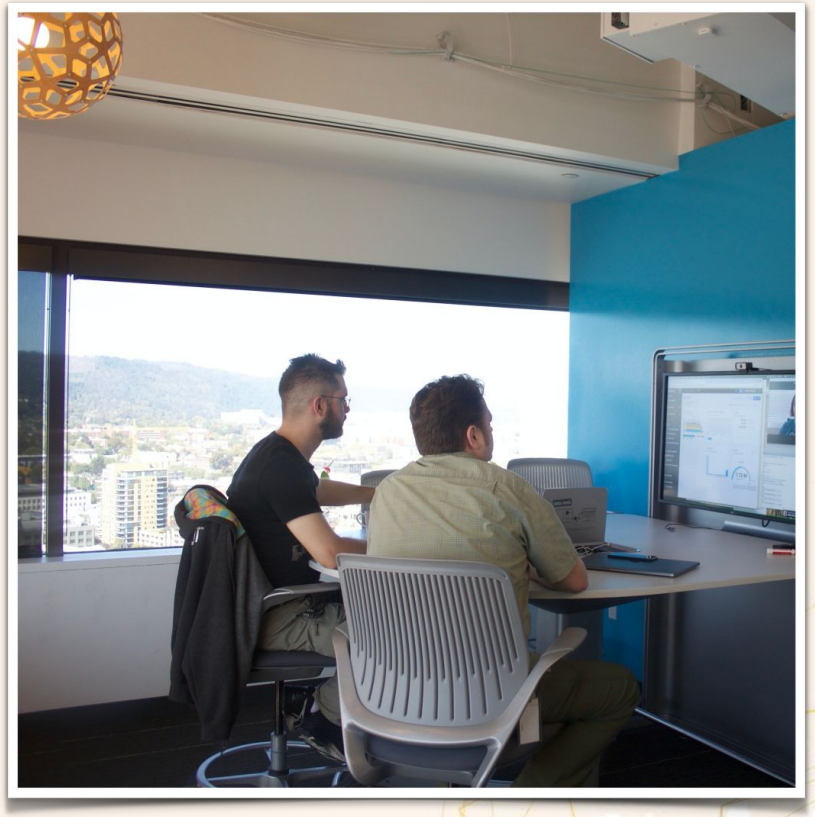
The dashboard should **reflect** your:

- Roadmap
- Highest Risk
- Most uncertain metrics



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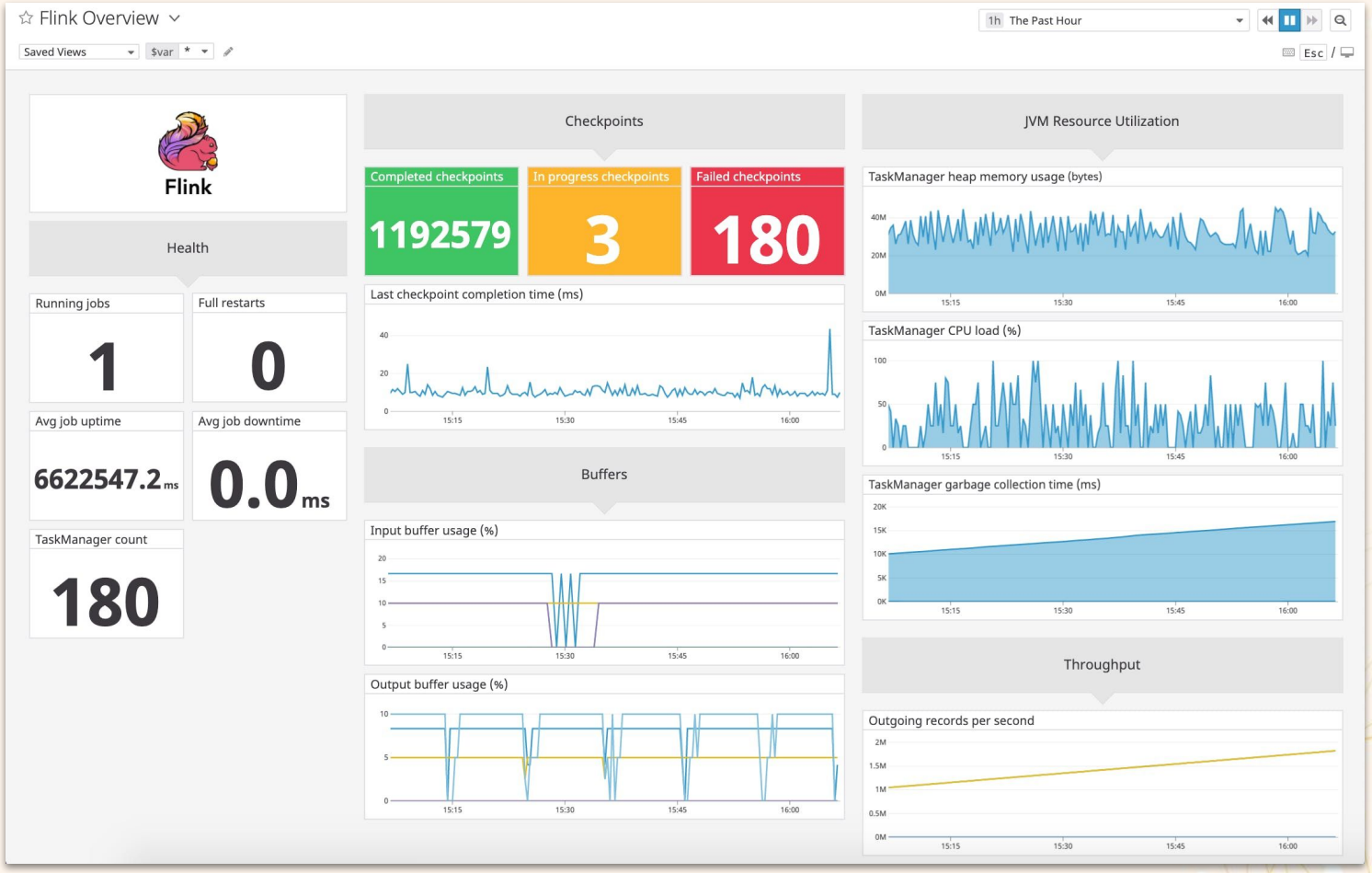

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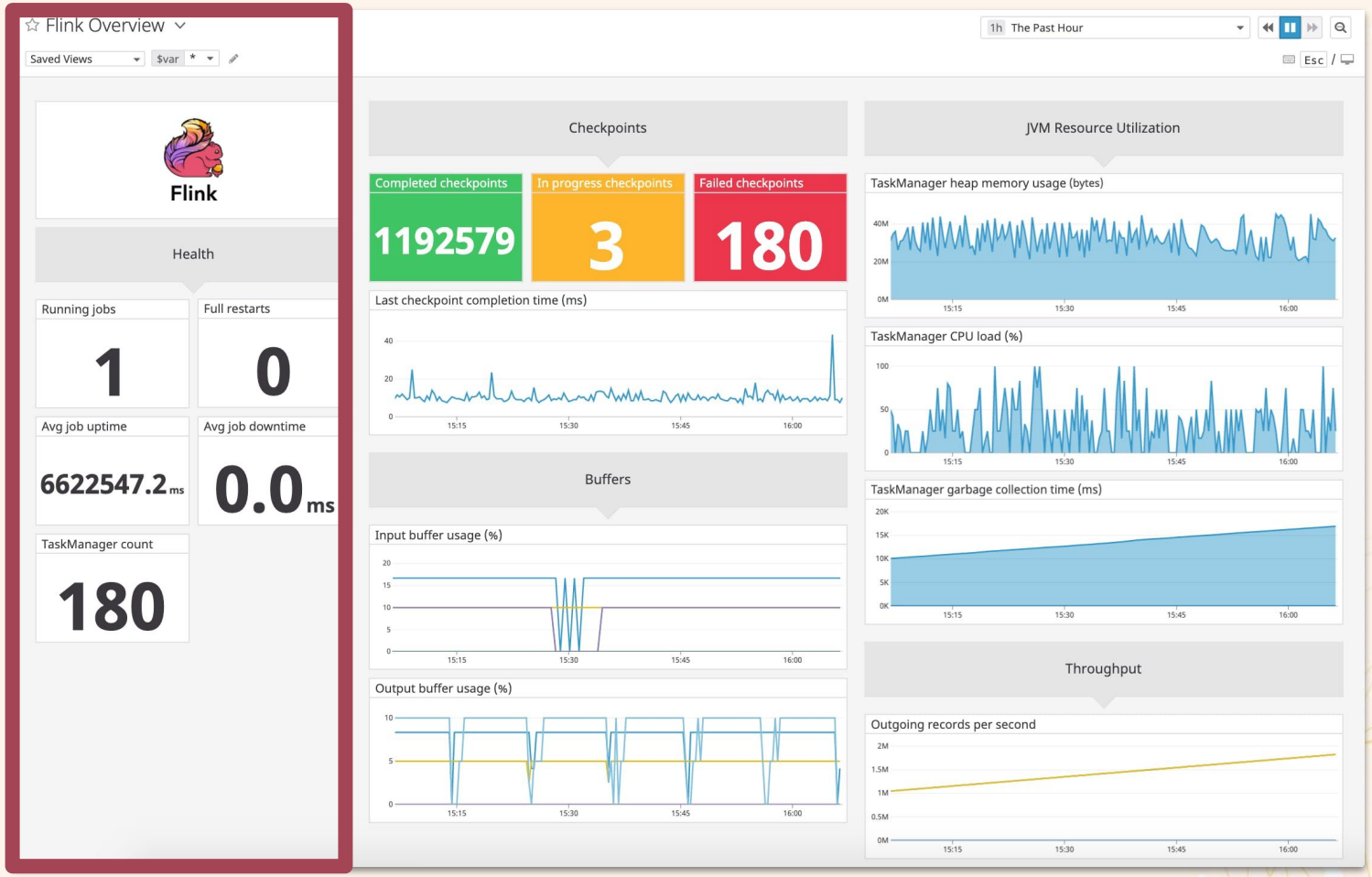

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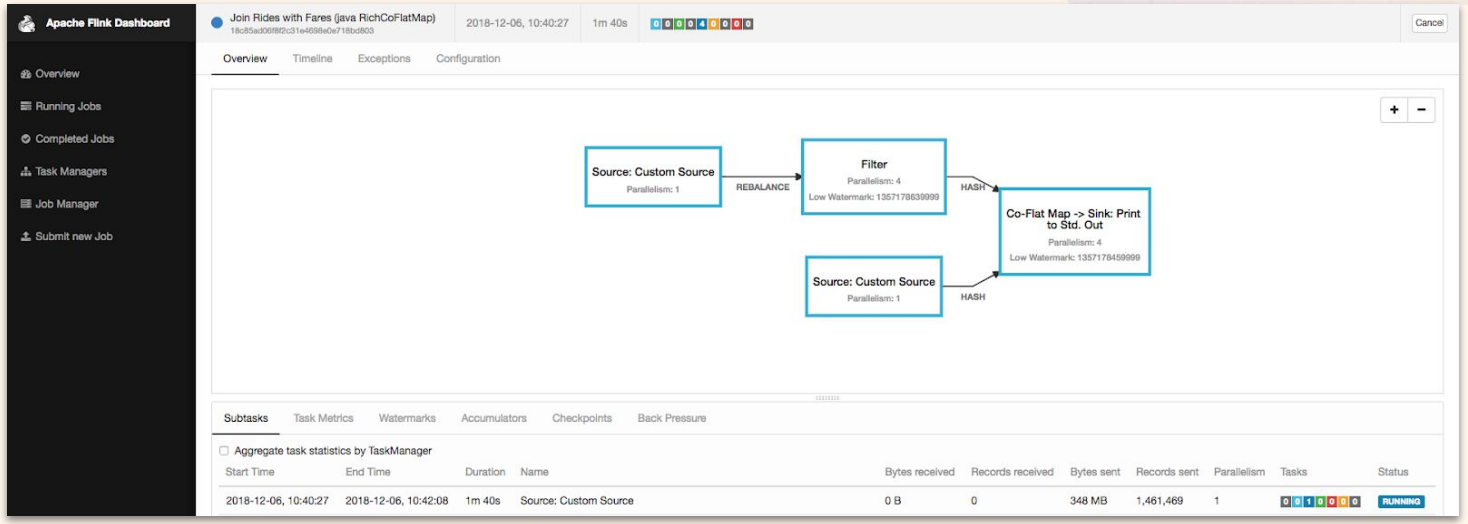

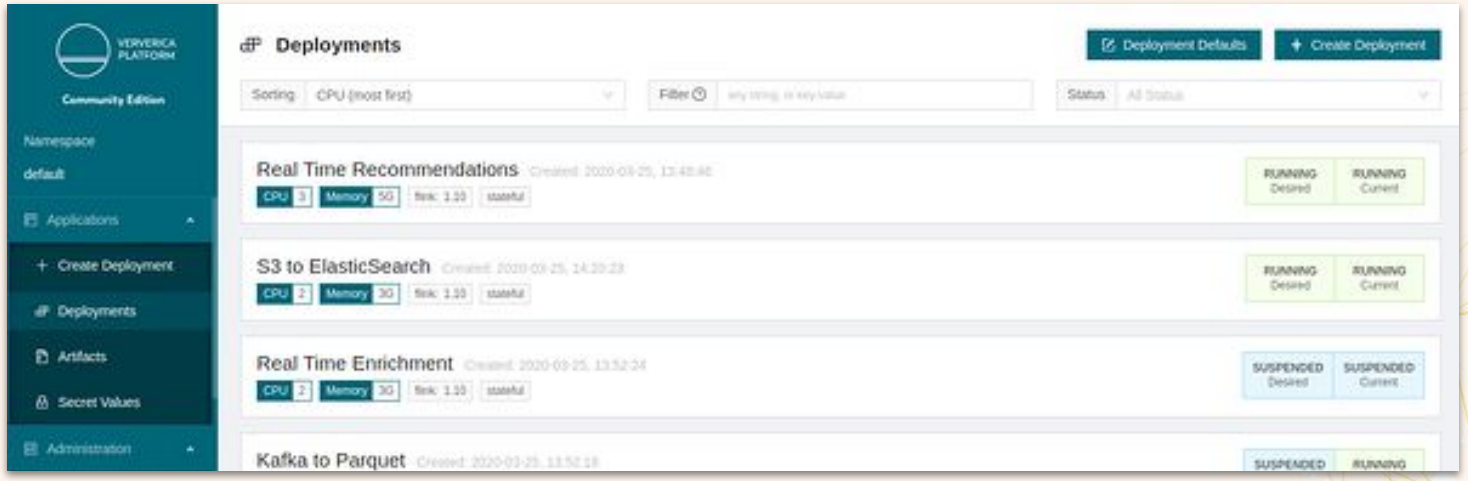

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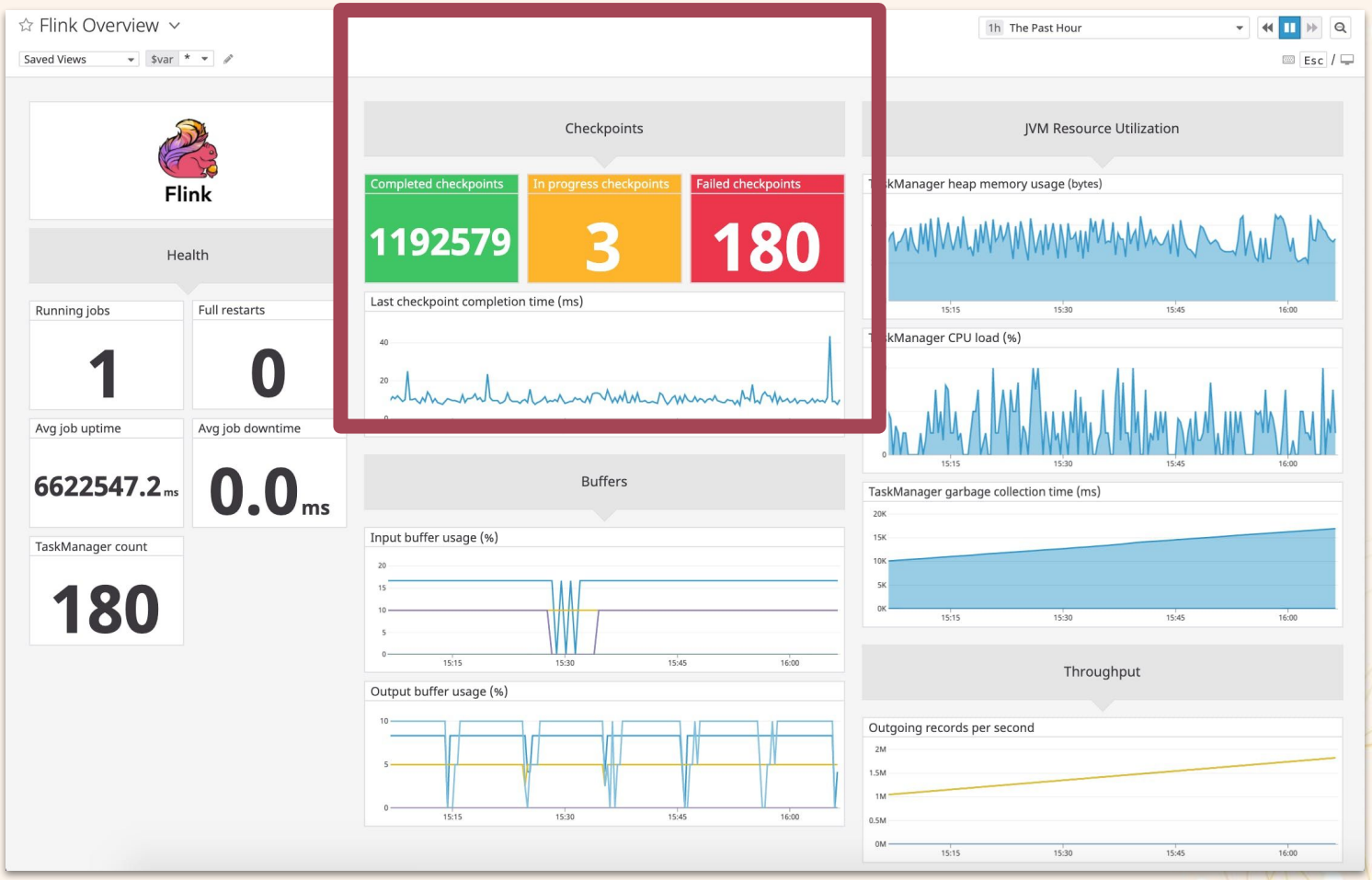

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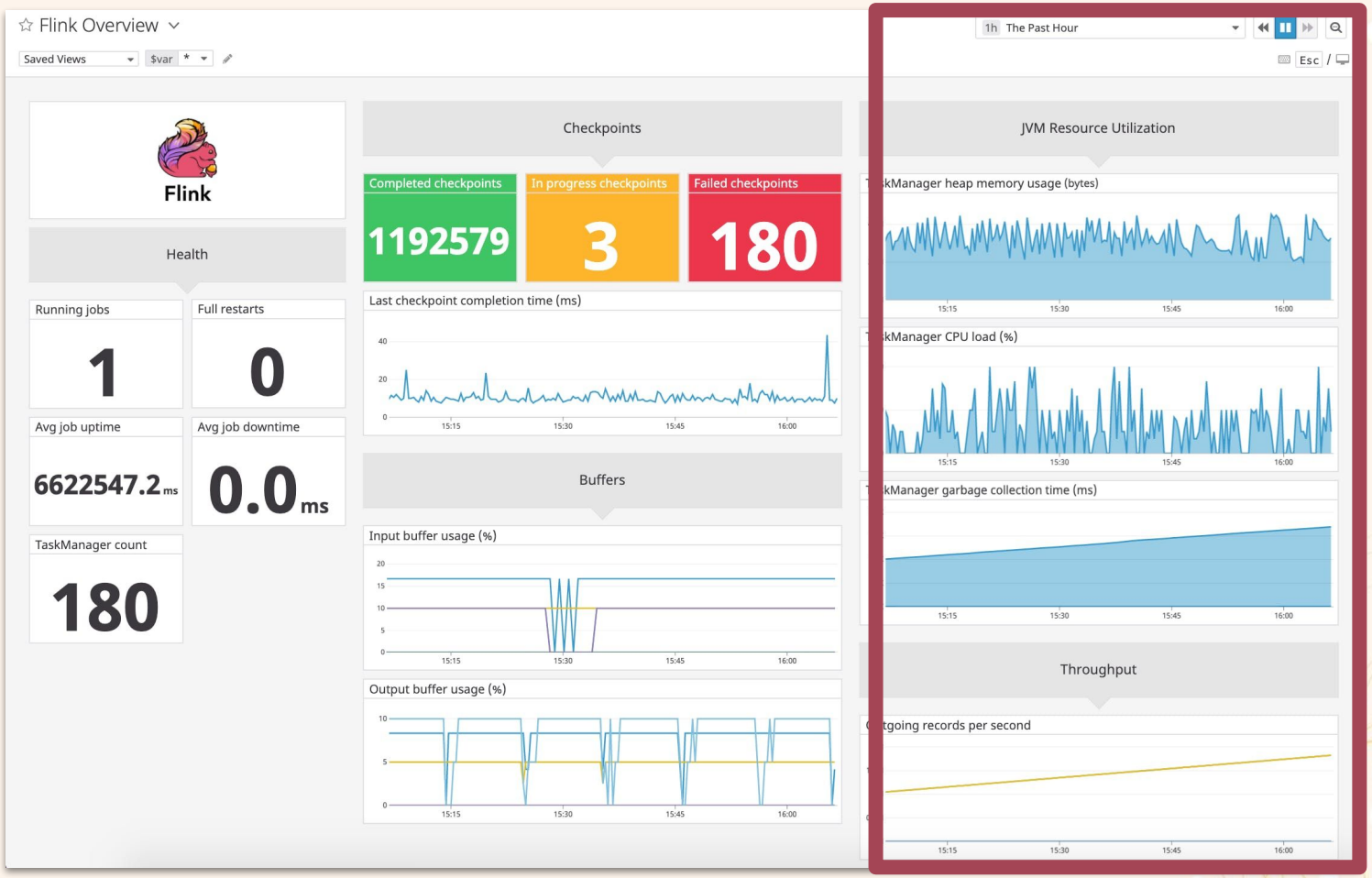

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Metrics-Driven Metrics

Prometheus

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metrics.reporter.prom.class: org.apache.flink.metrics.prometheus.PrometheusReporter
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DataDog

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metrics.reporter.dghttp.factory.class: org.apache.flink.metrics.datadog.DatadogHttpRepo
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metrics.reporter.dghttp.apikey: xxx
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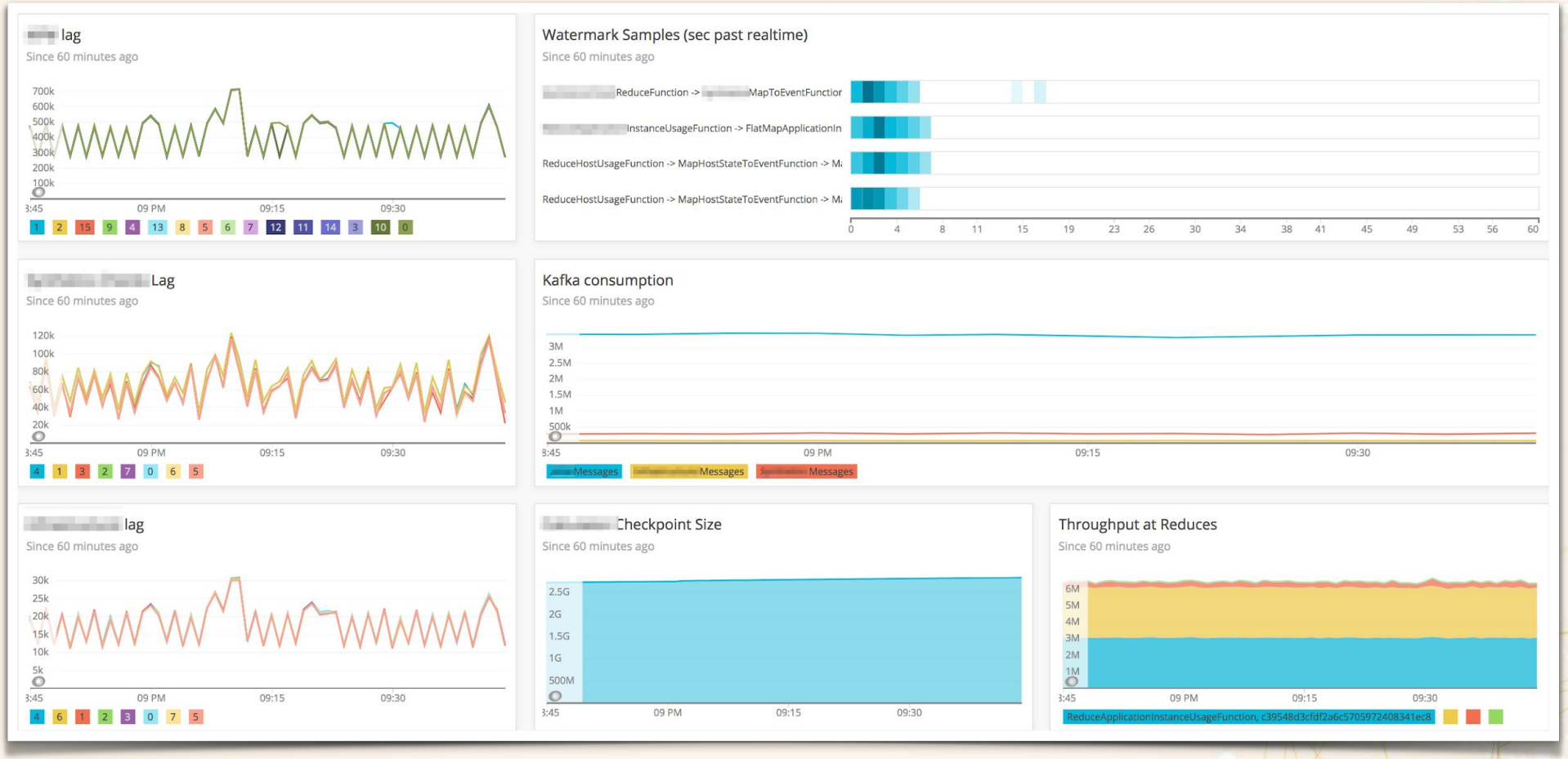

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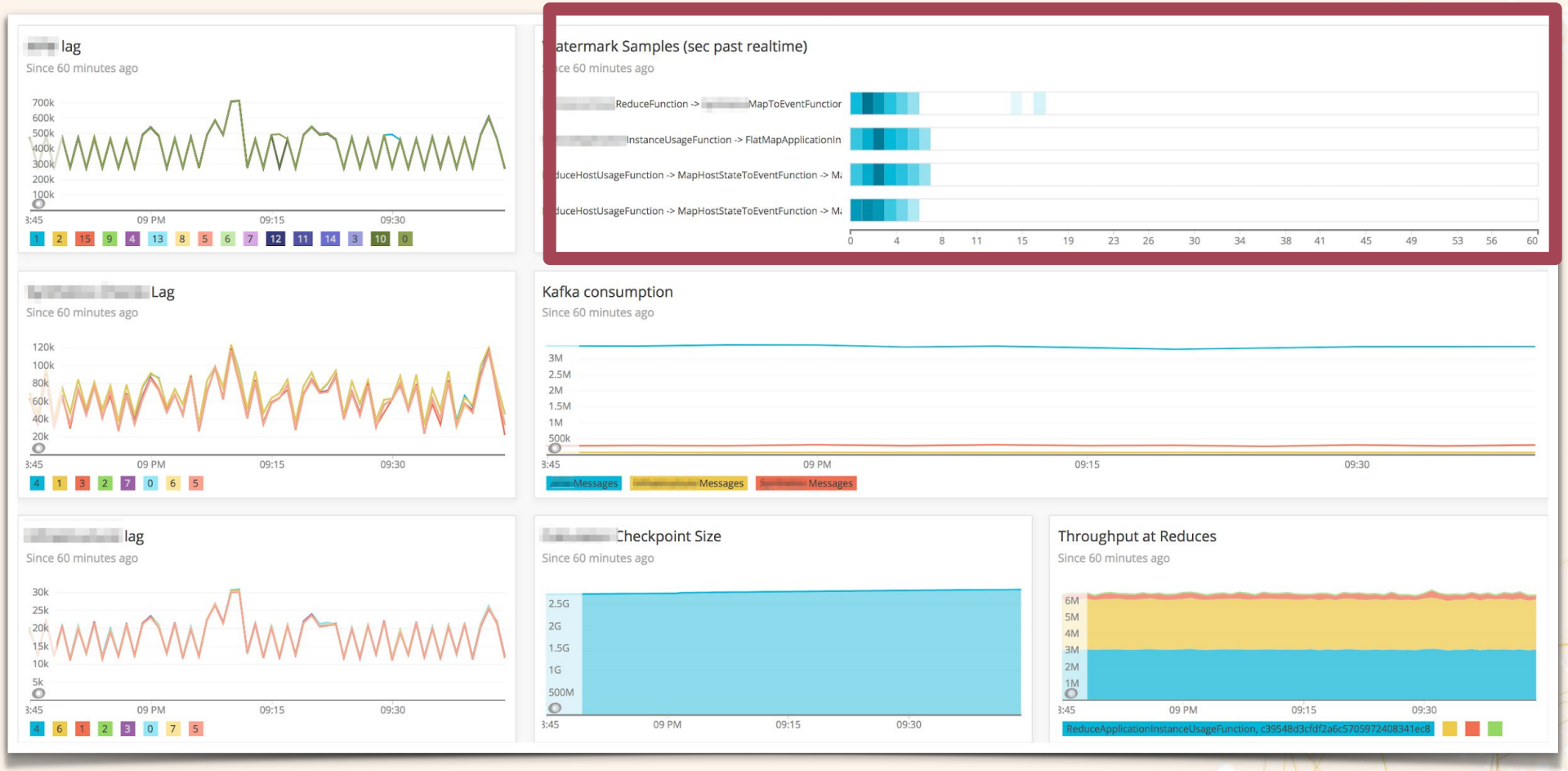

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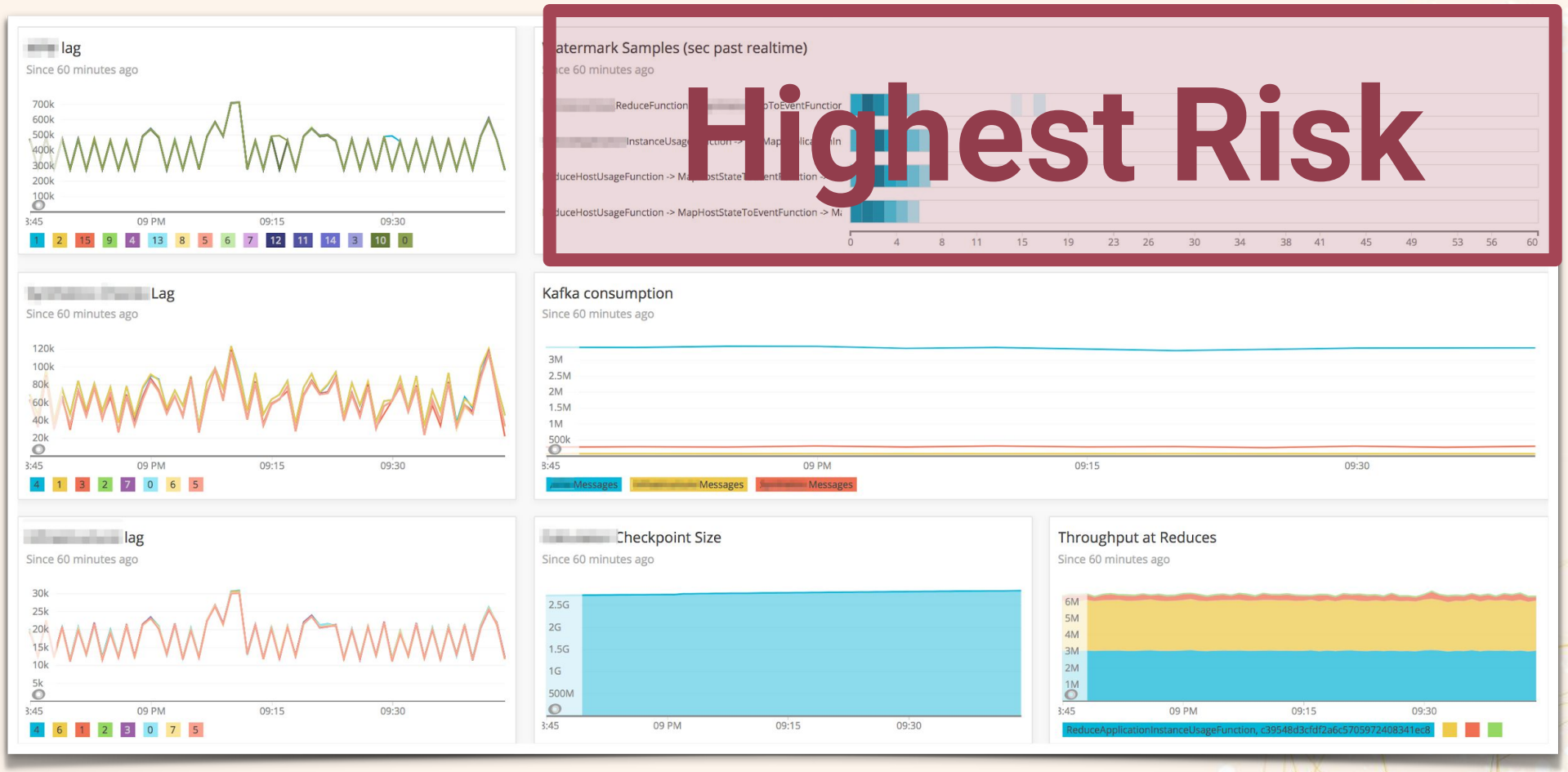

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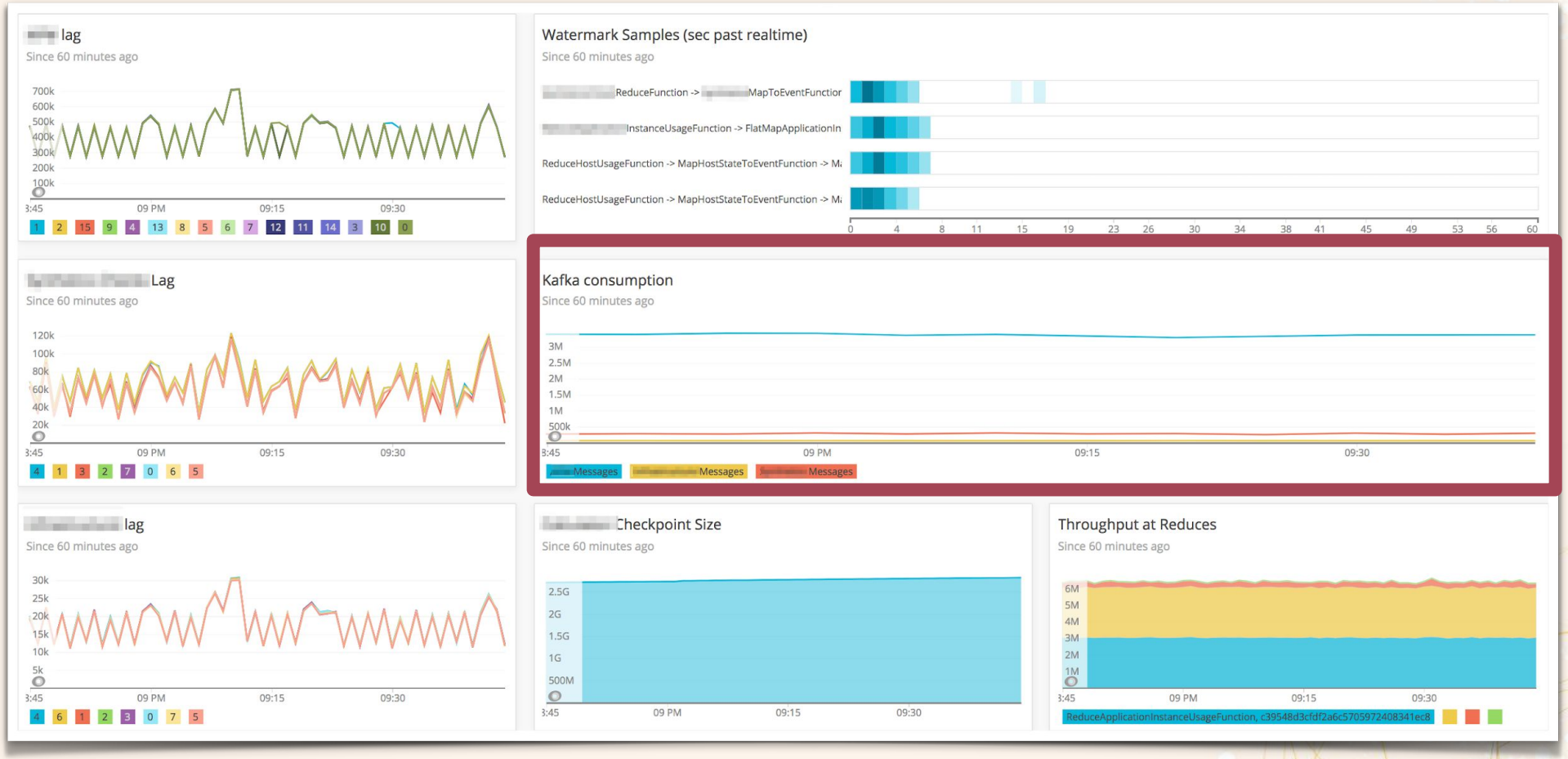

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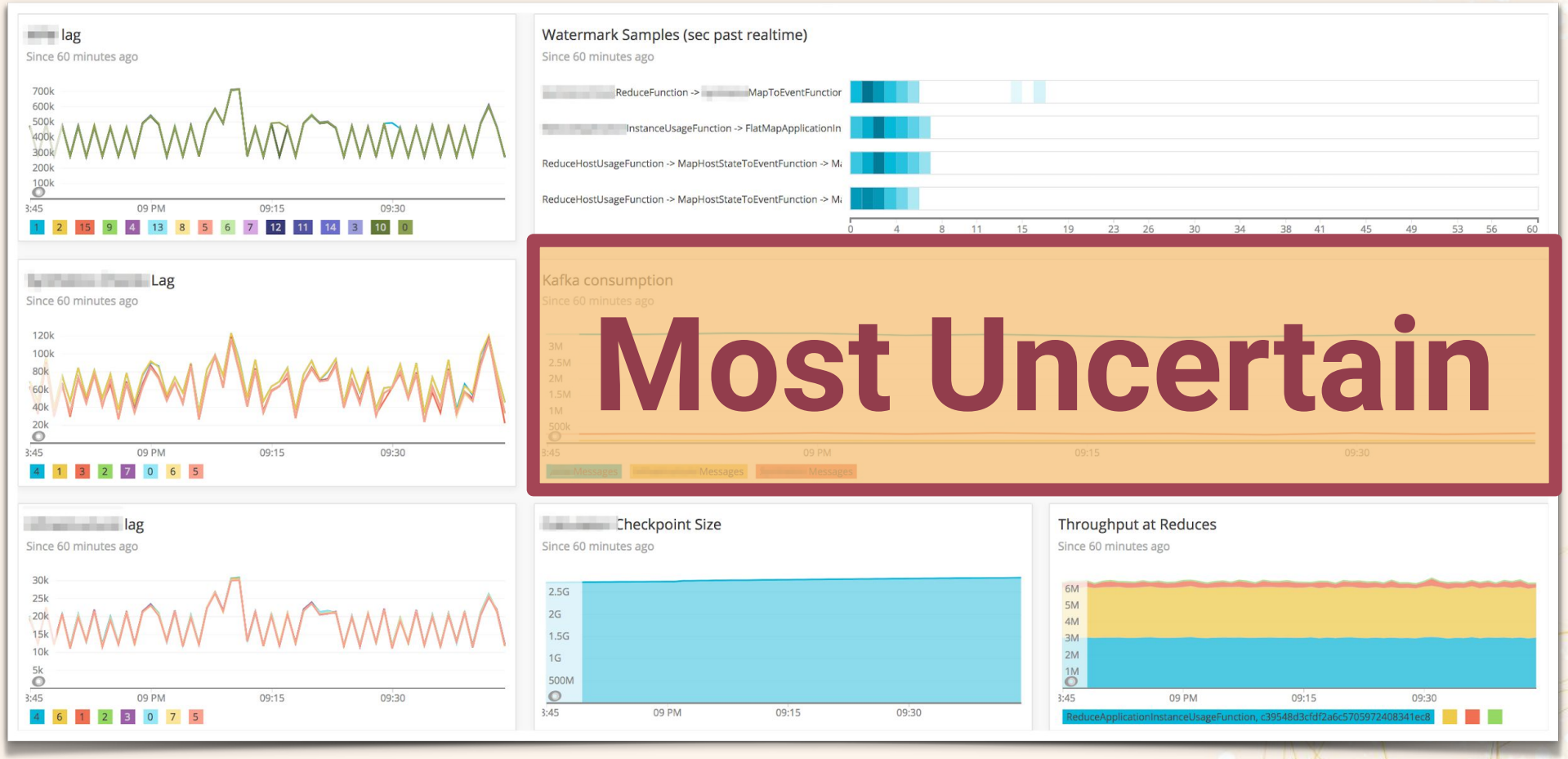

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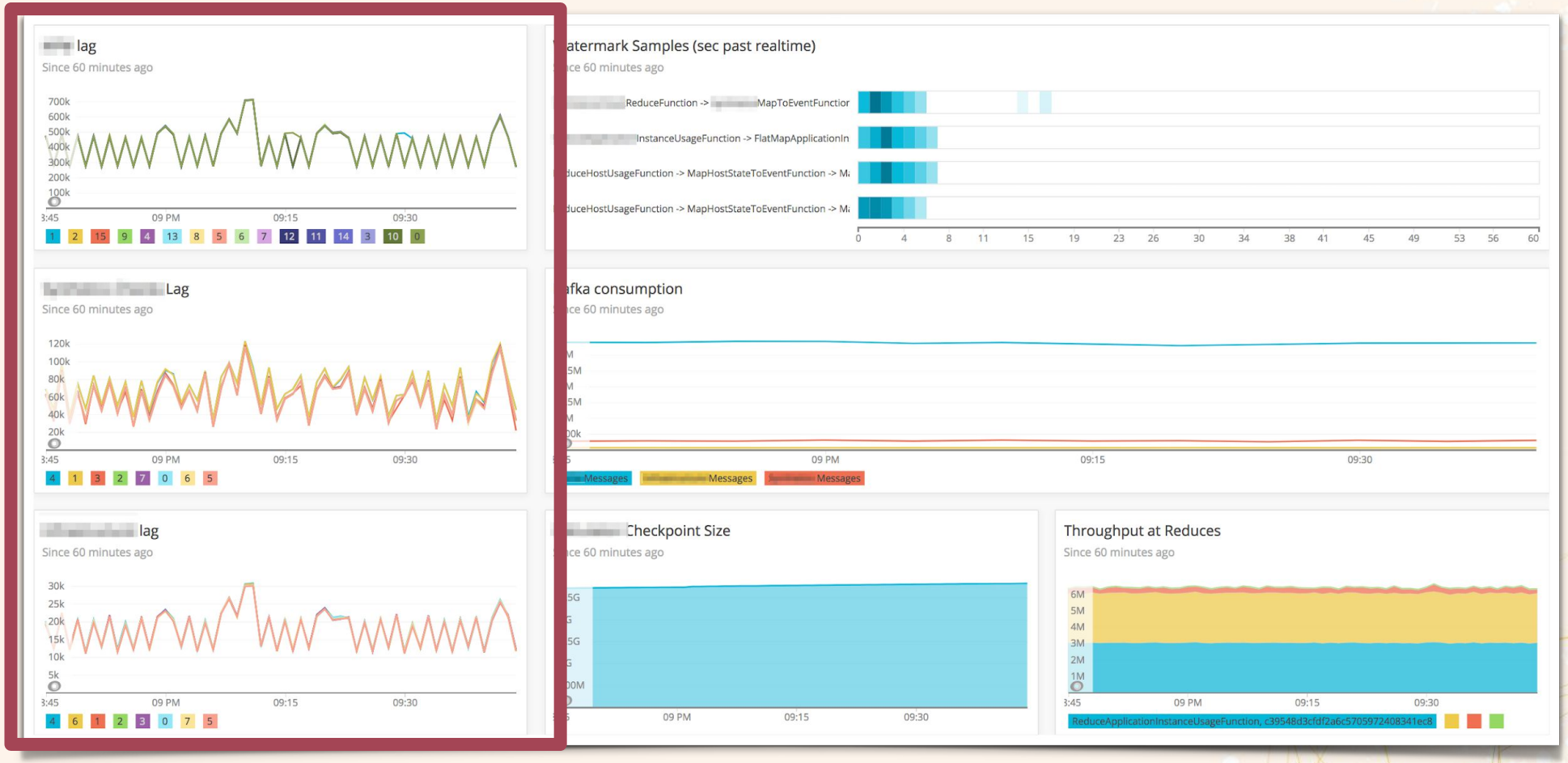

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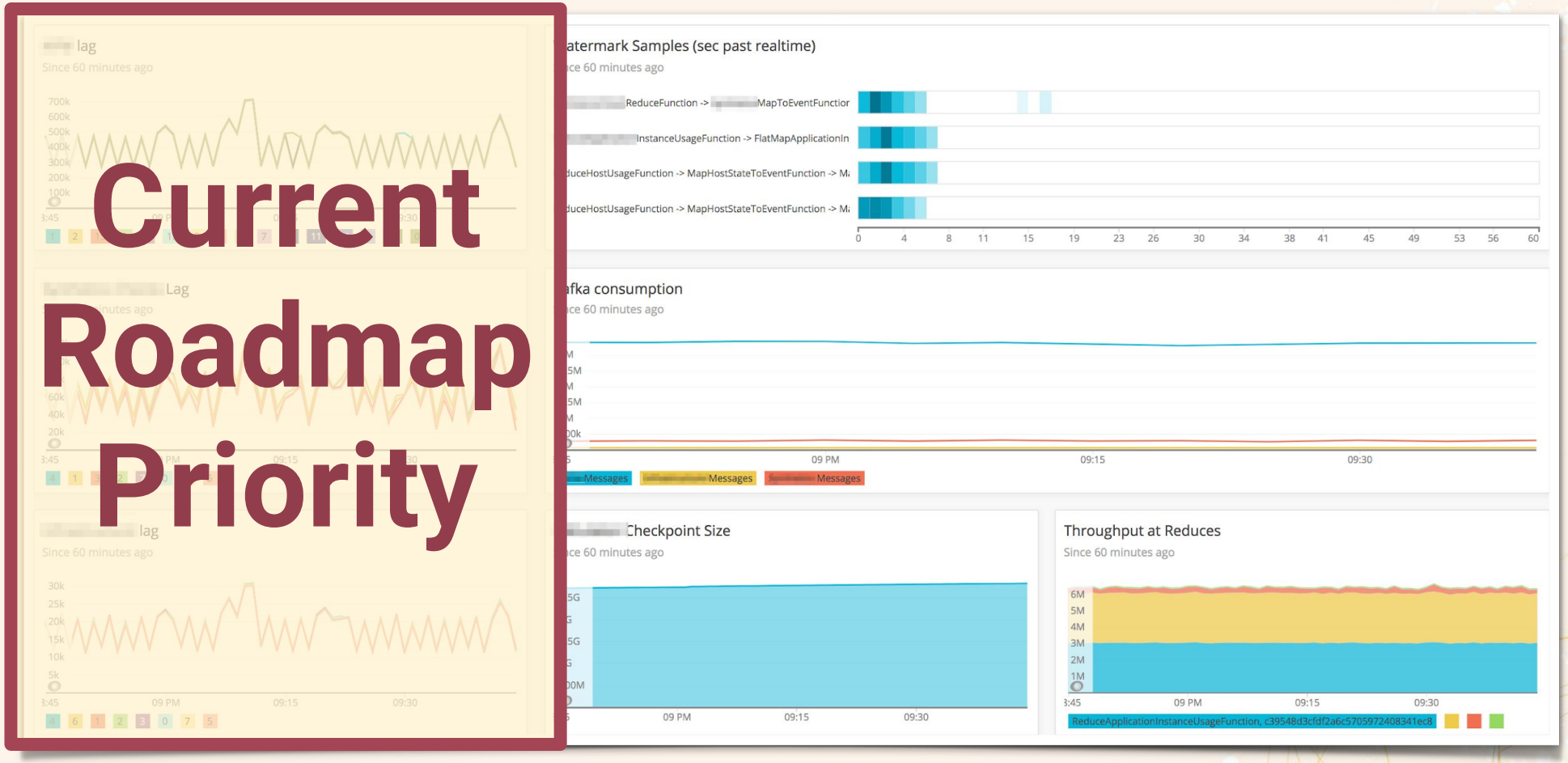

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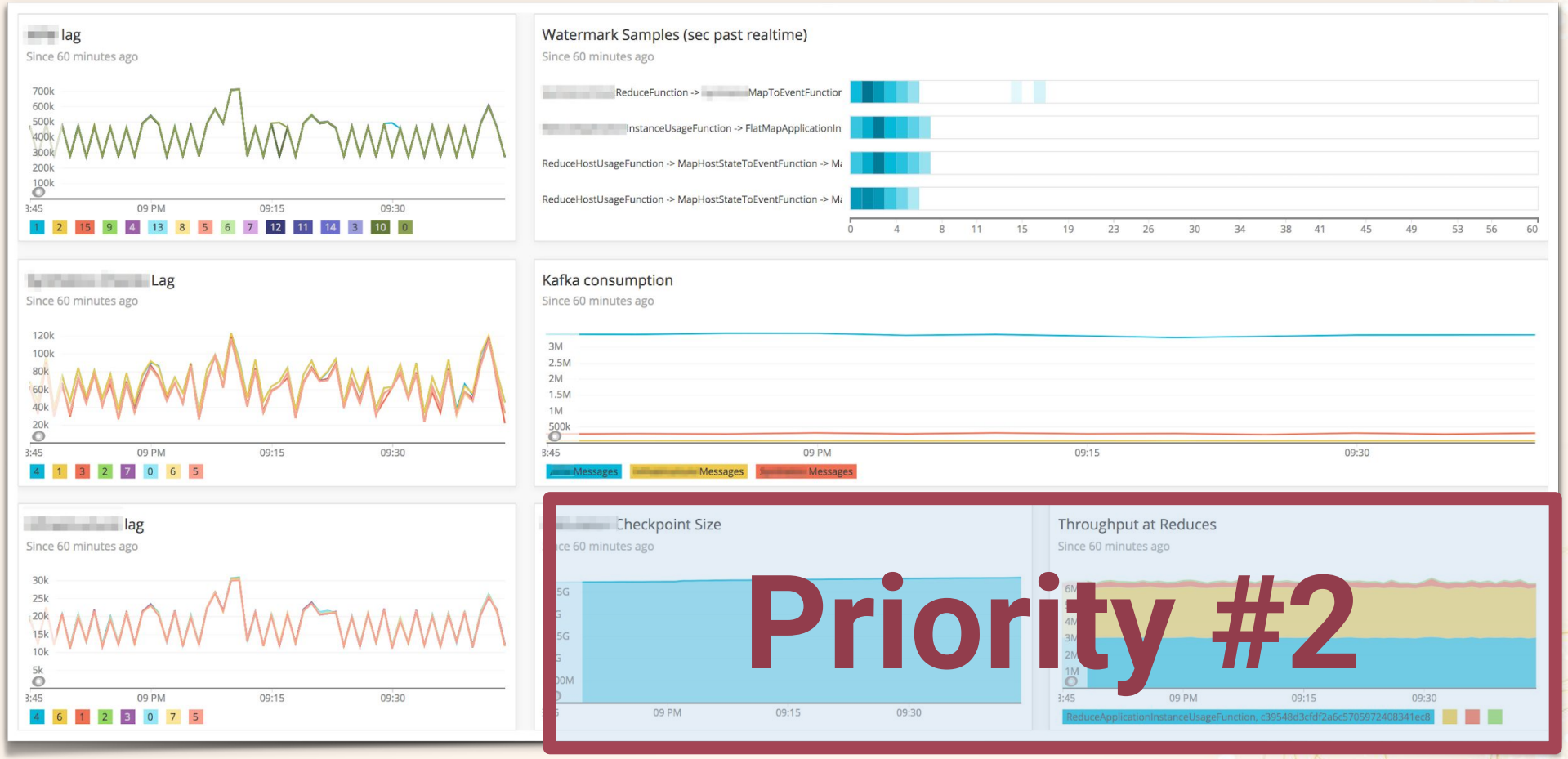

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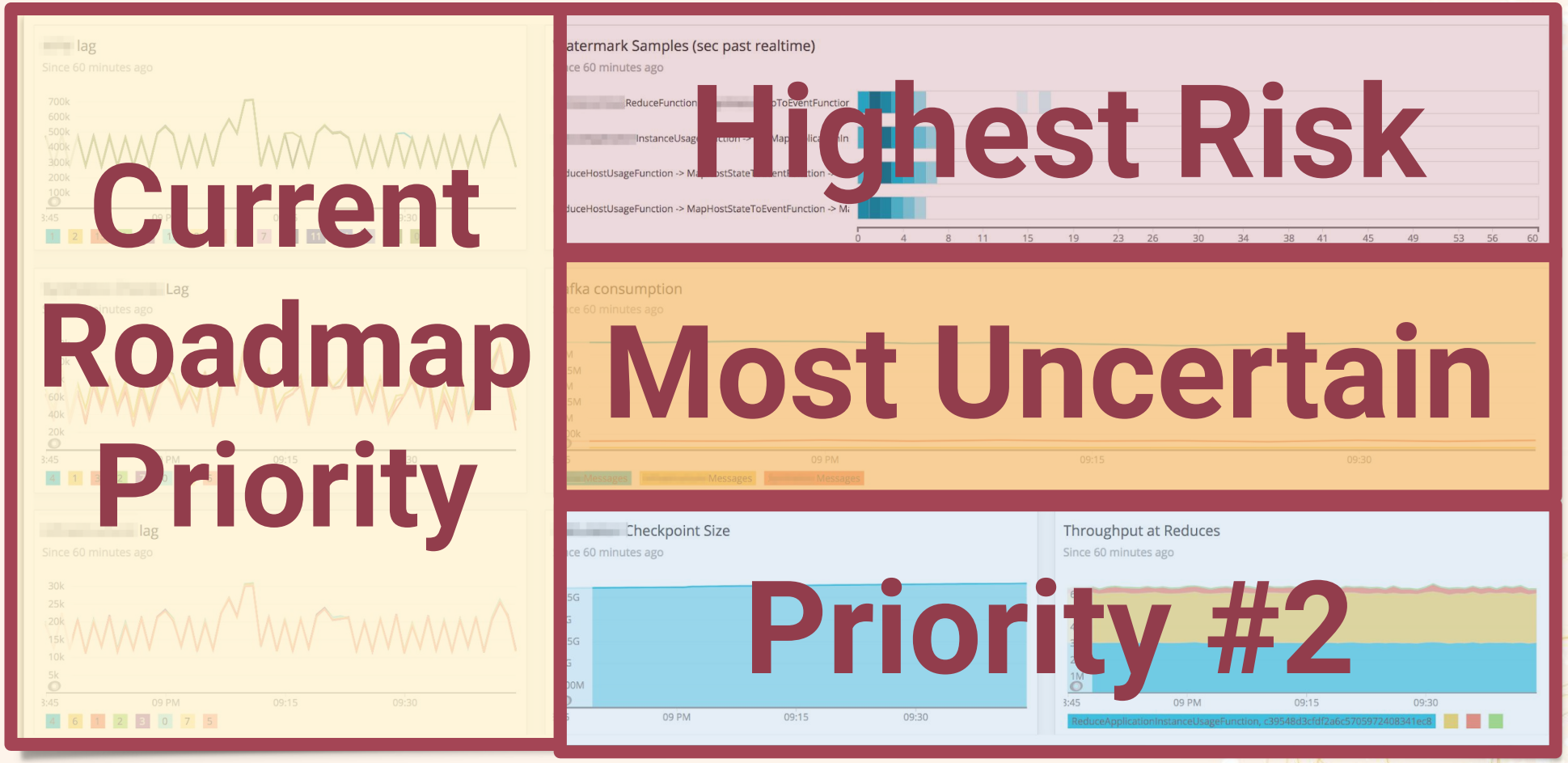

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Metrics as a Shared Language

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Shared Language

"Even the best metrics driven development fails easily, when it's only built for yourself"

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Implementation:

- Identify your impacted groups
- Identify the most effective tools for each group
- Enable automation

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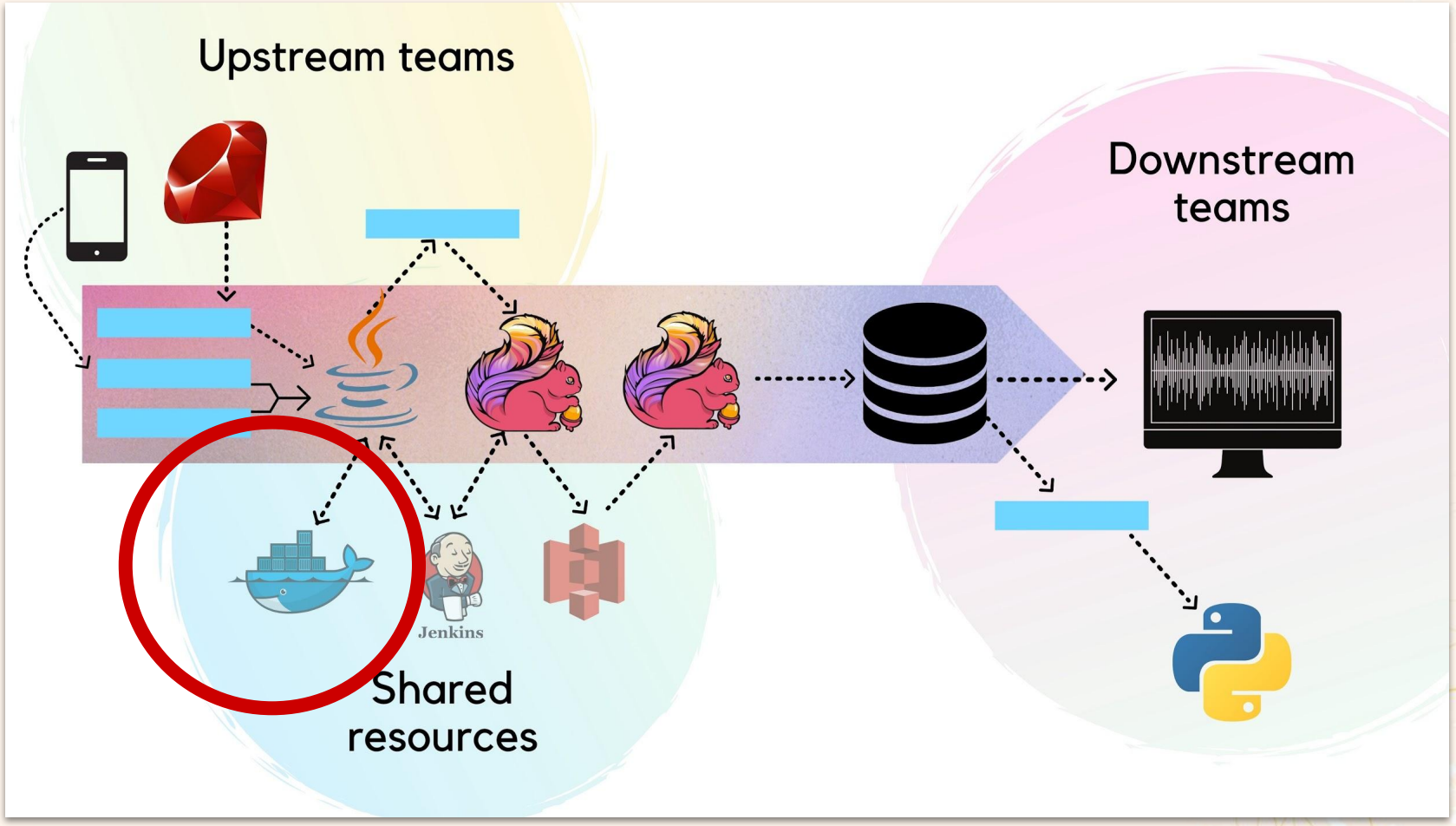

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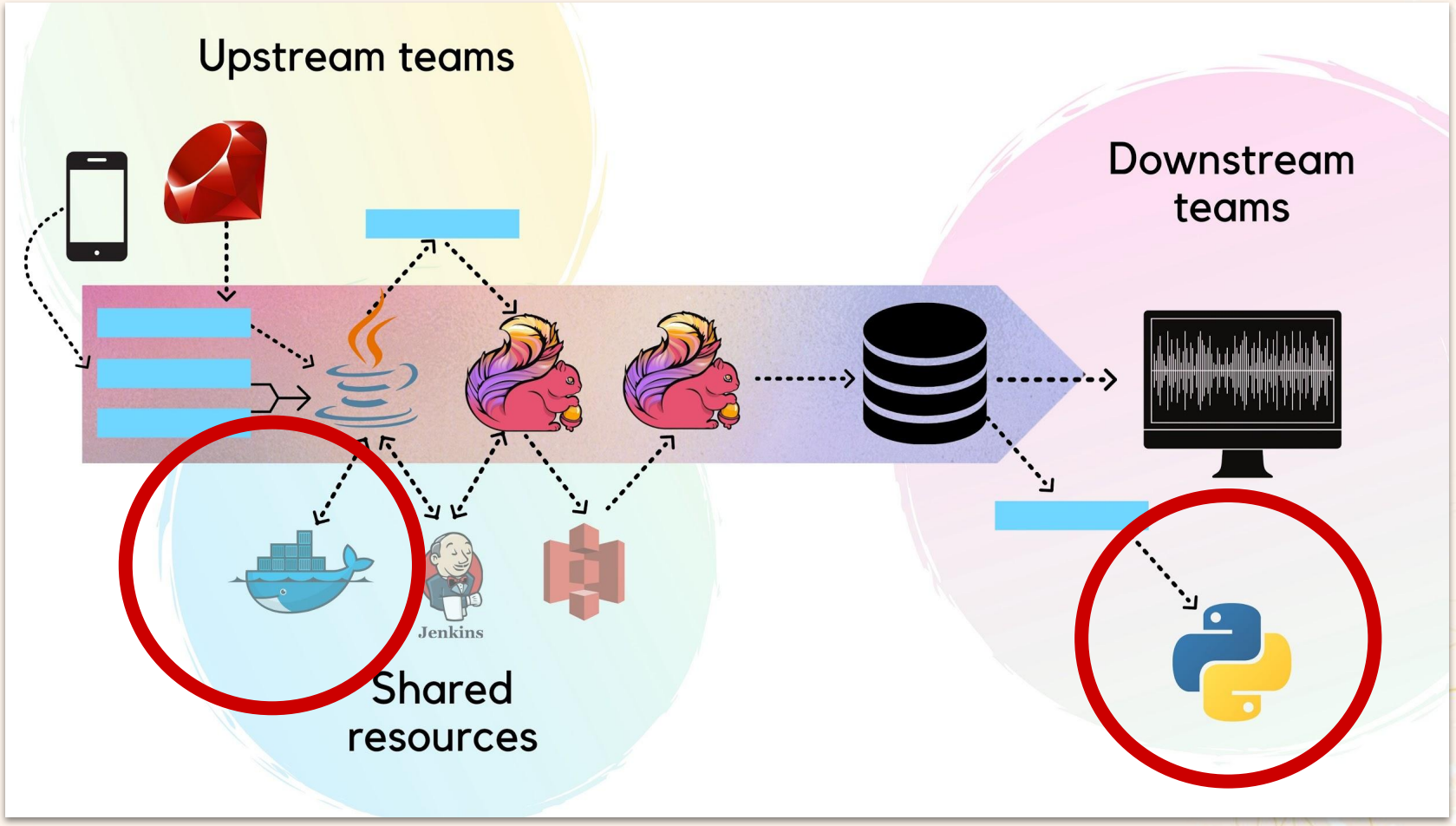

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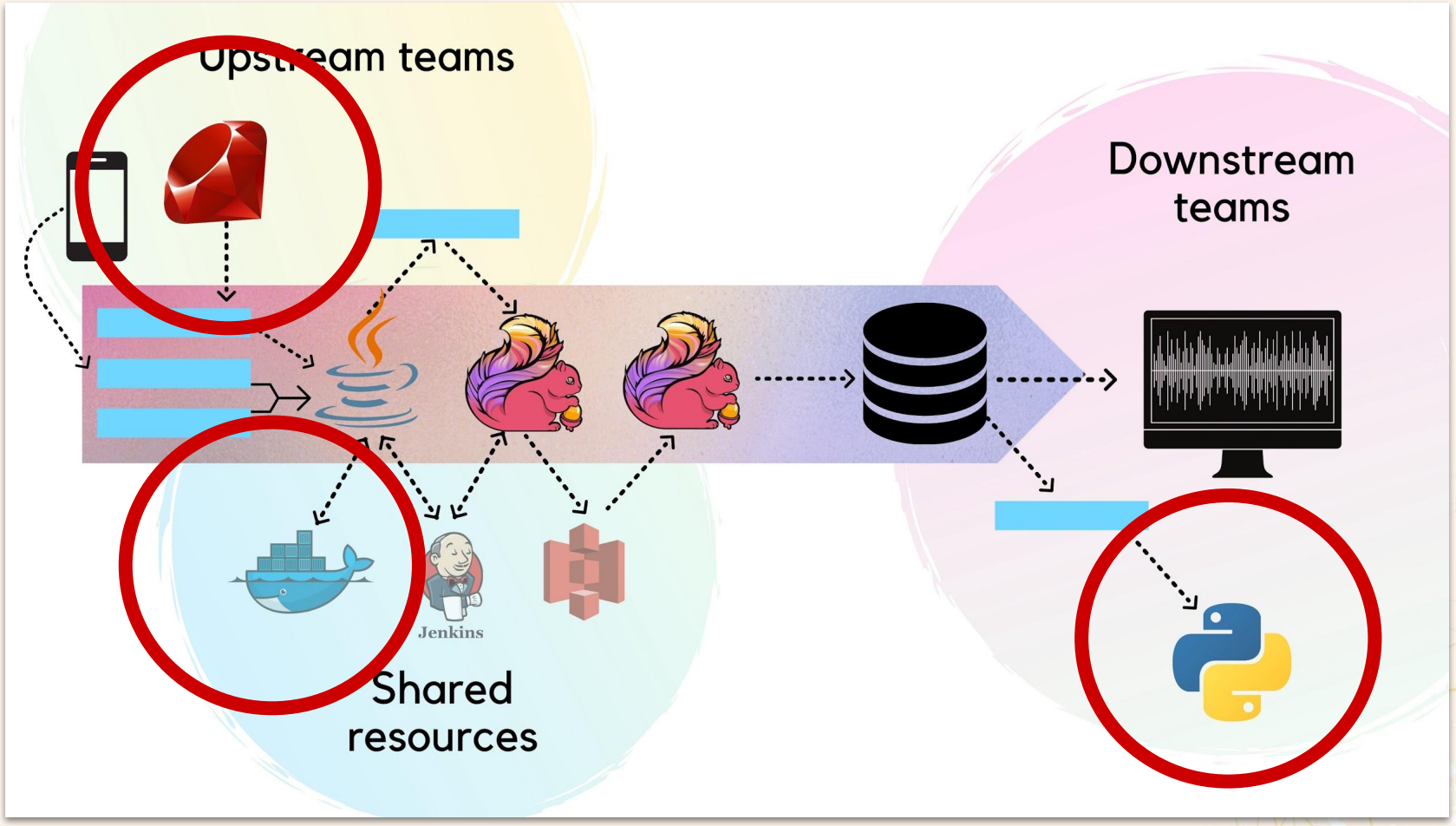

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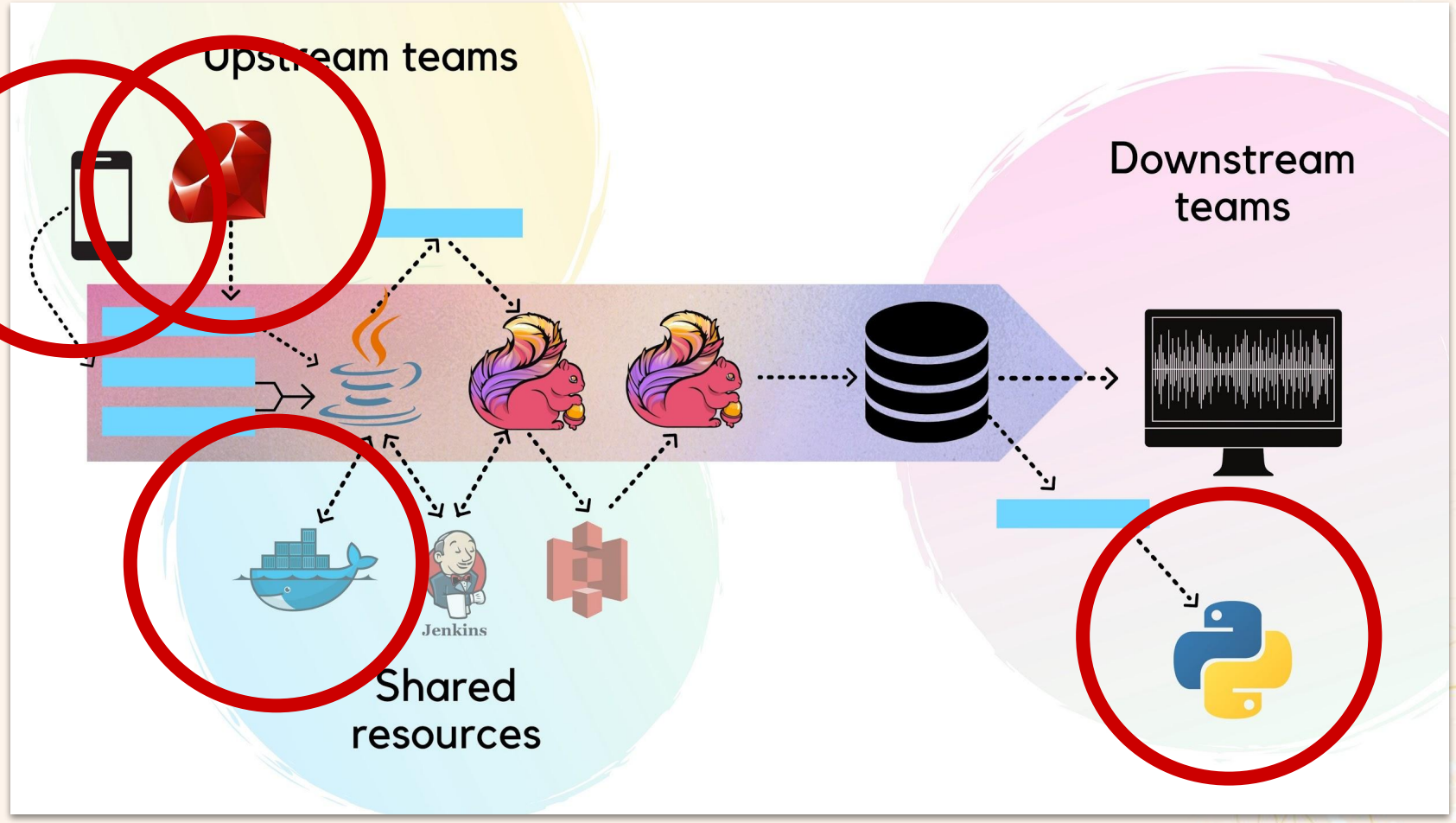

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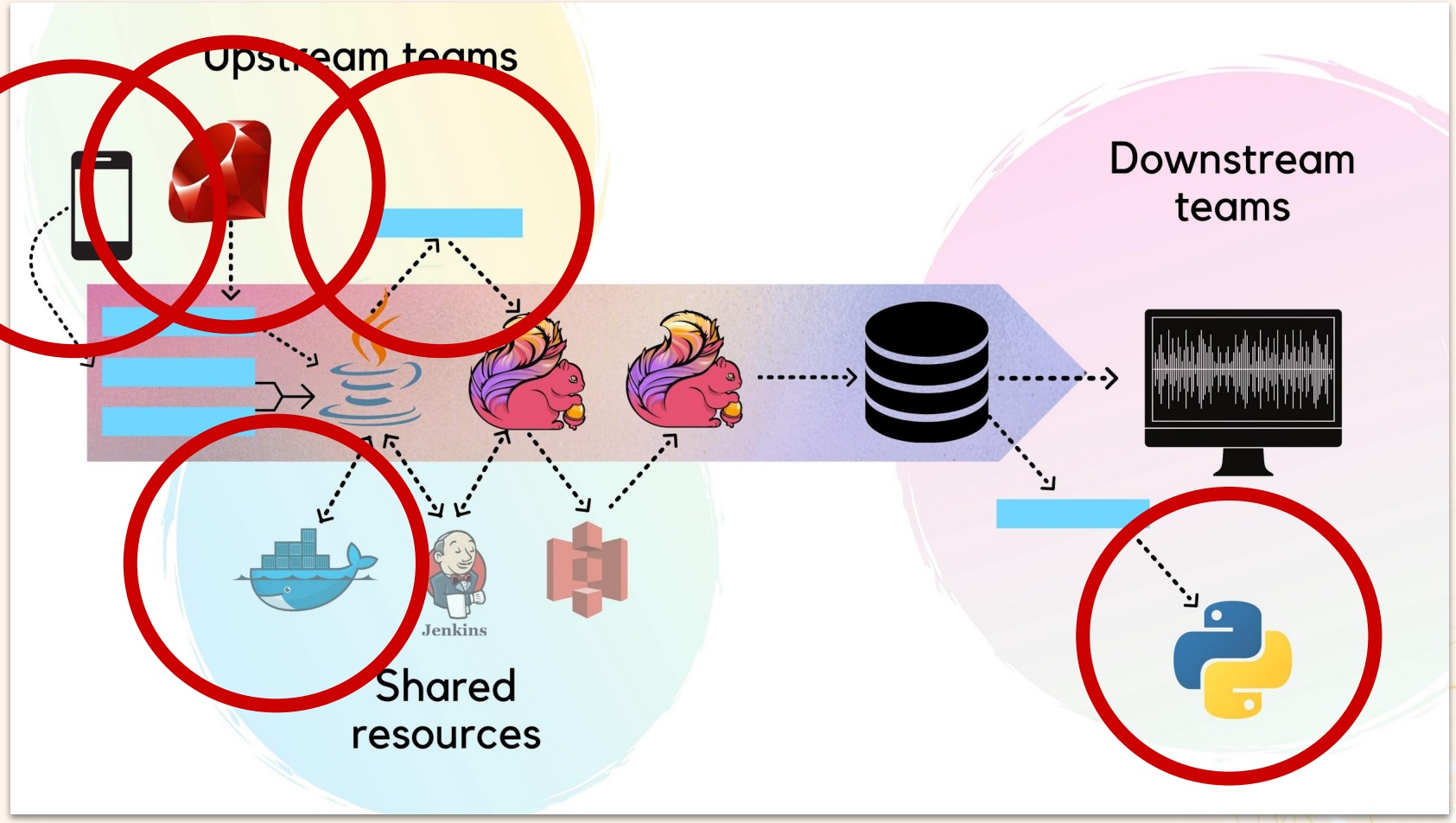

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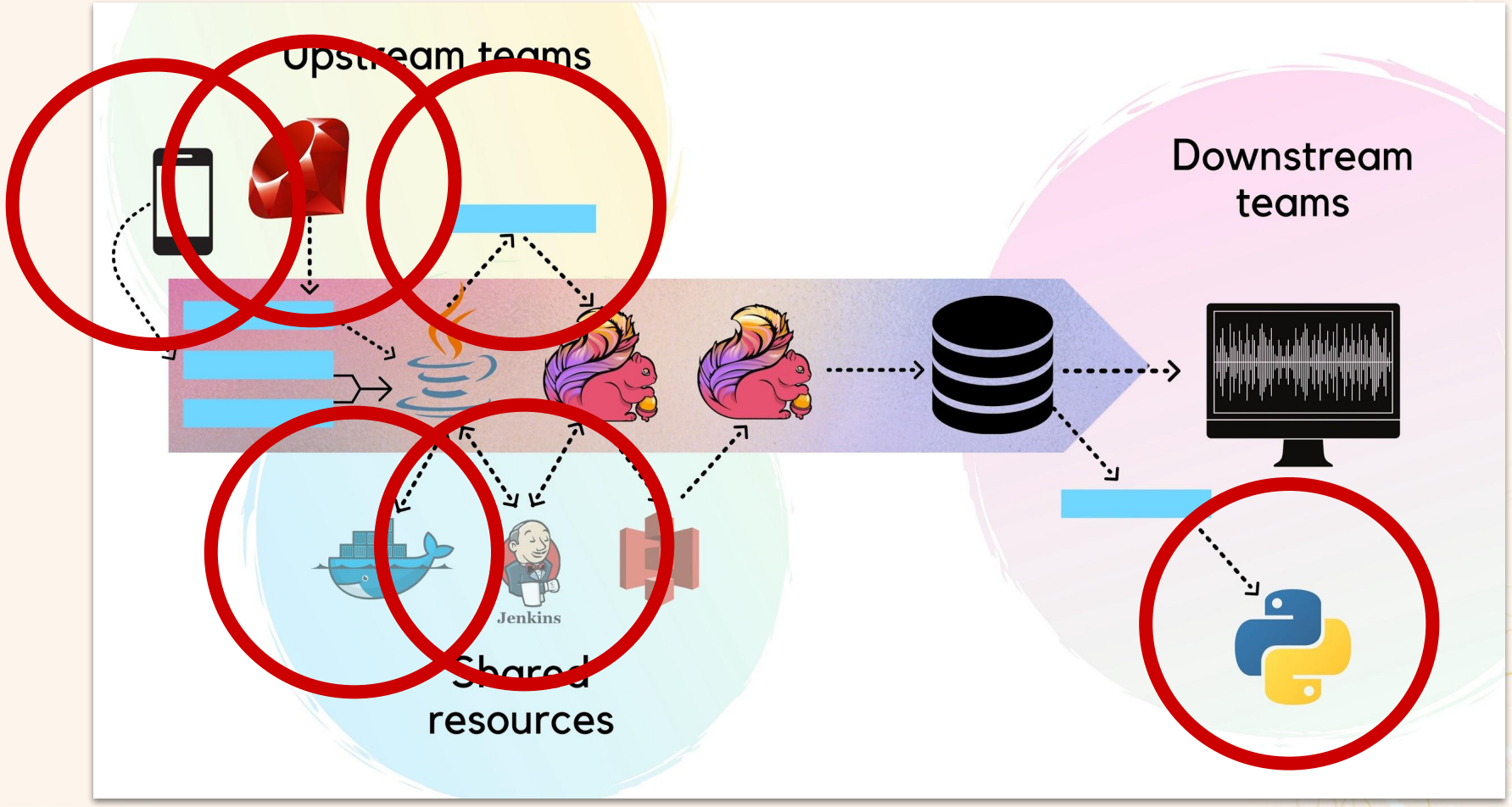

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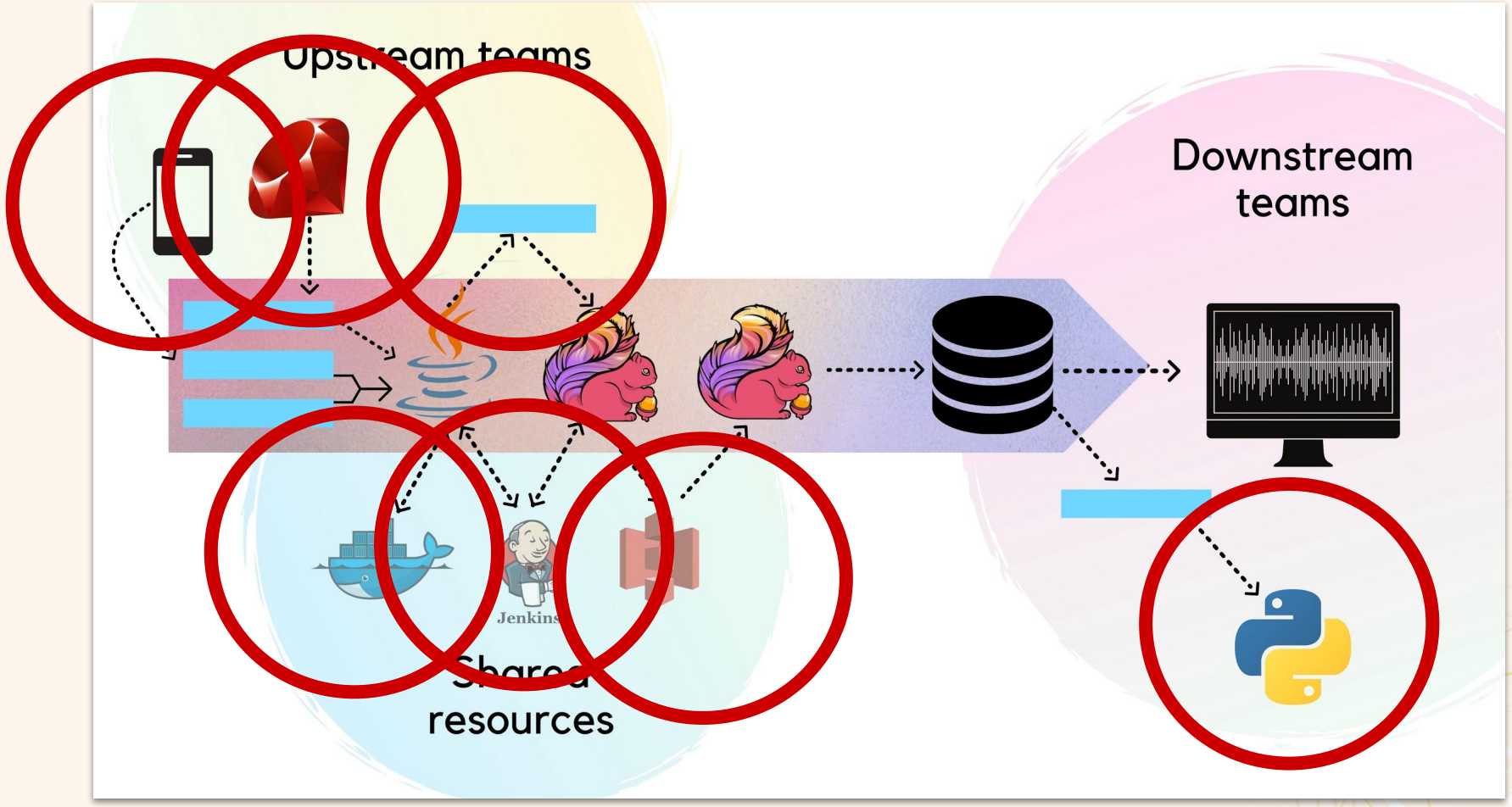

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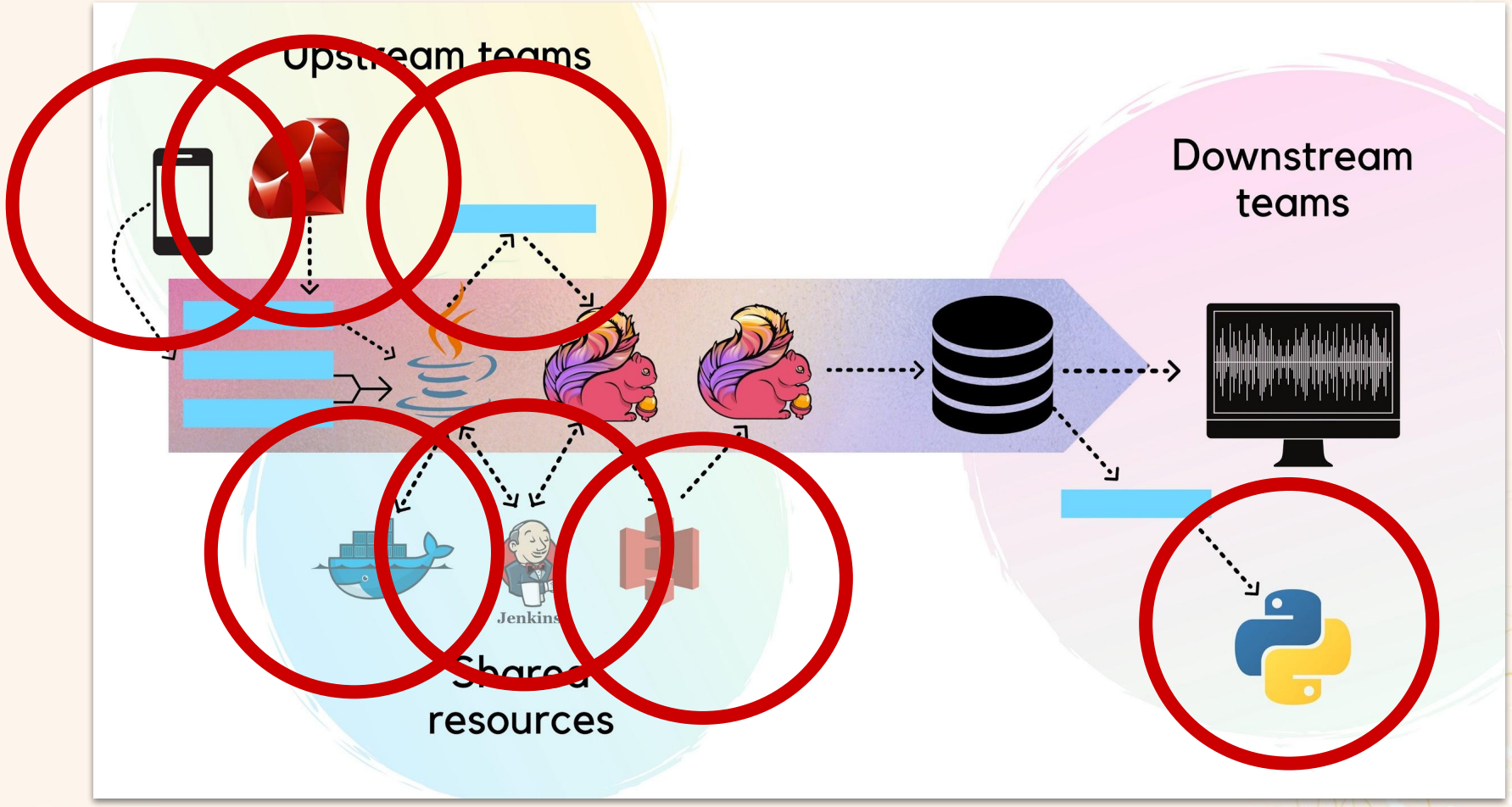

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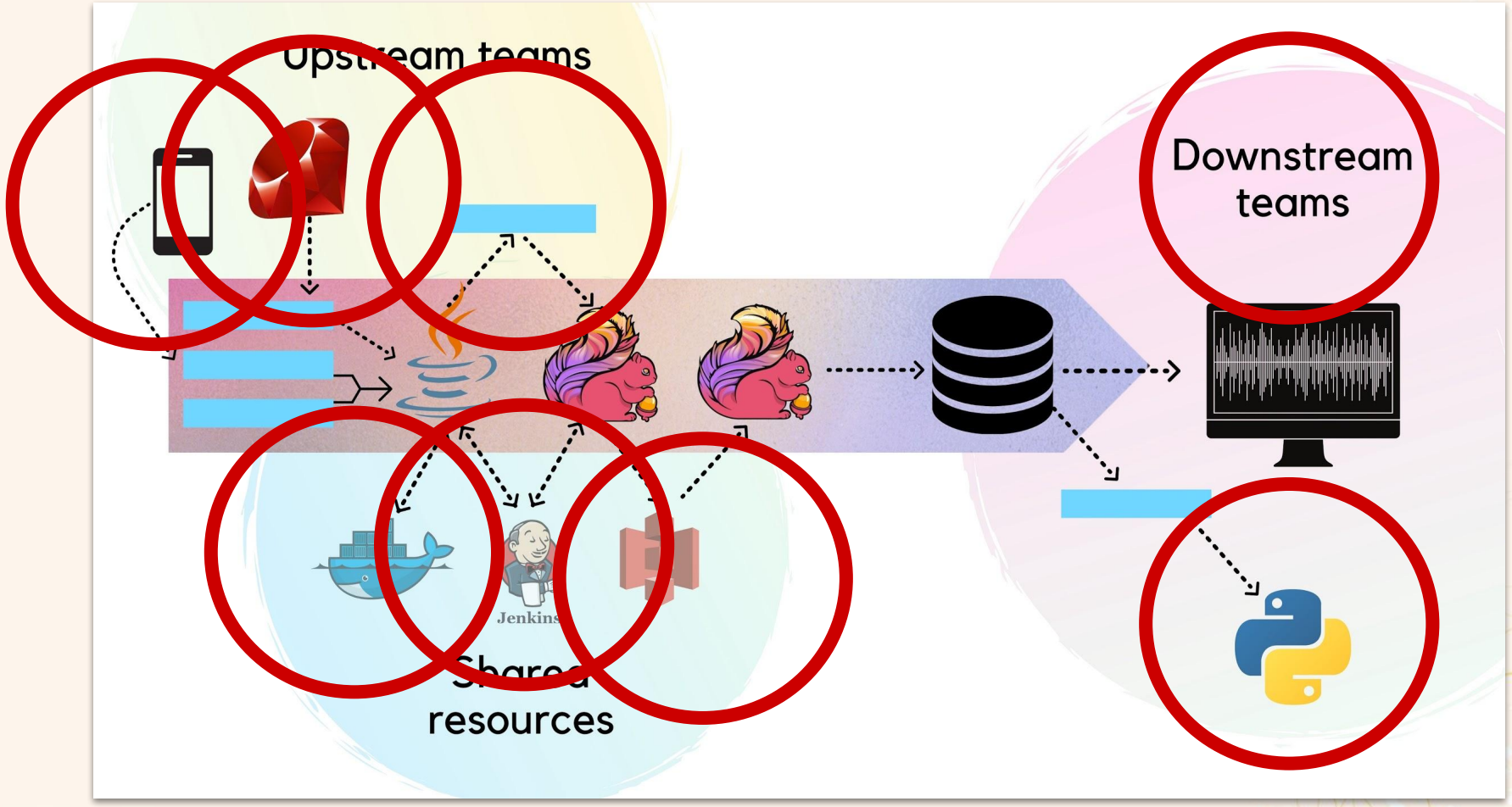

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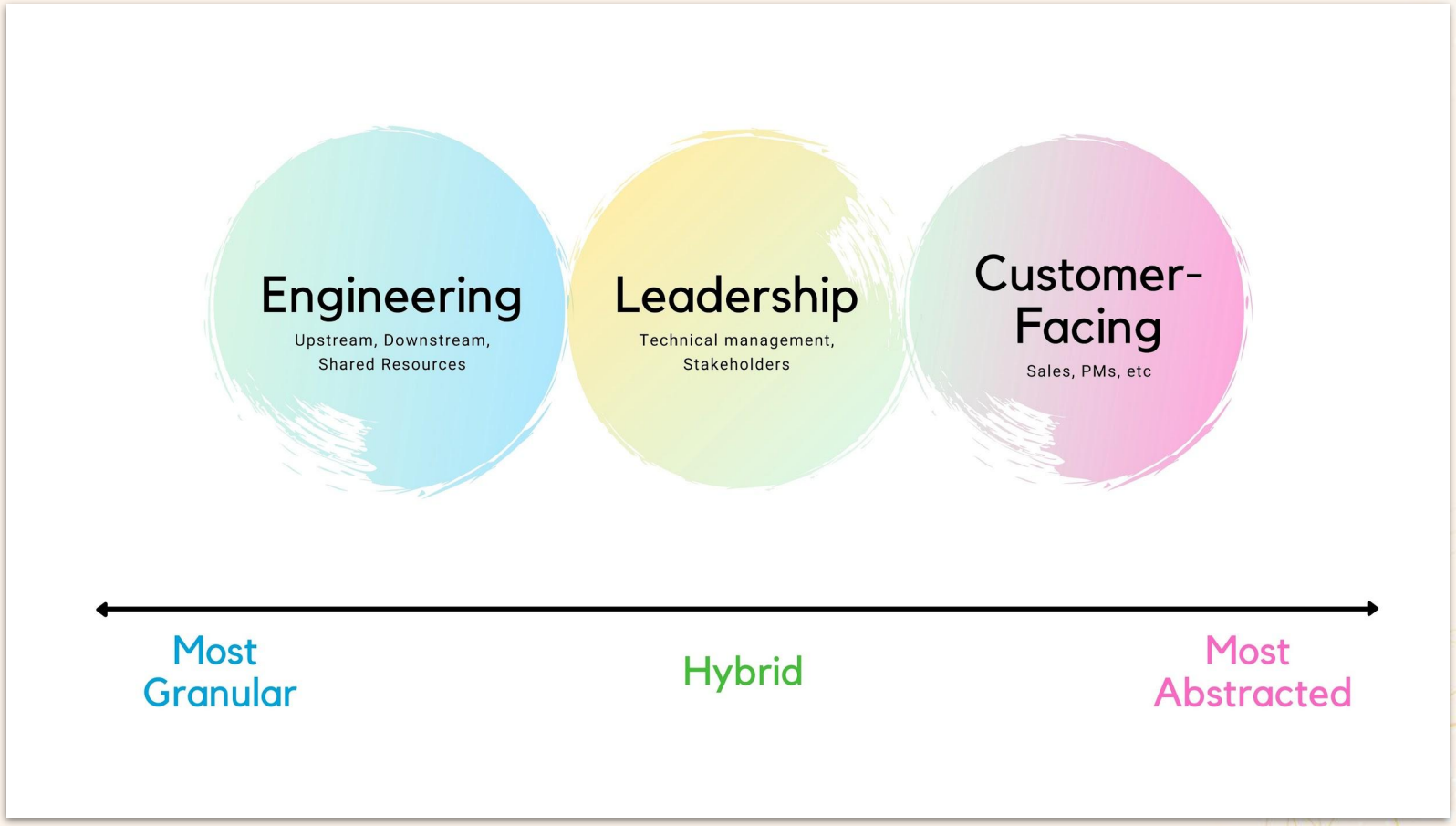

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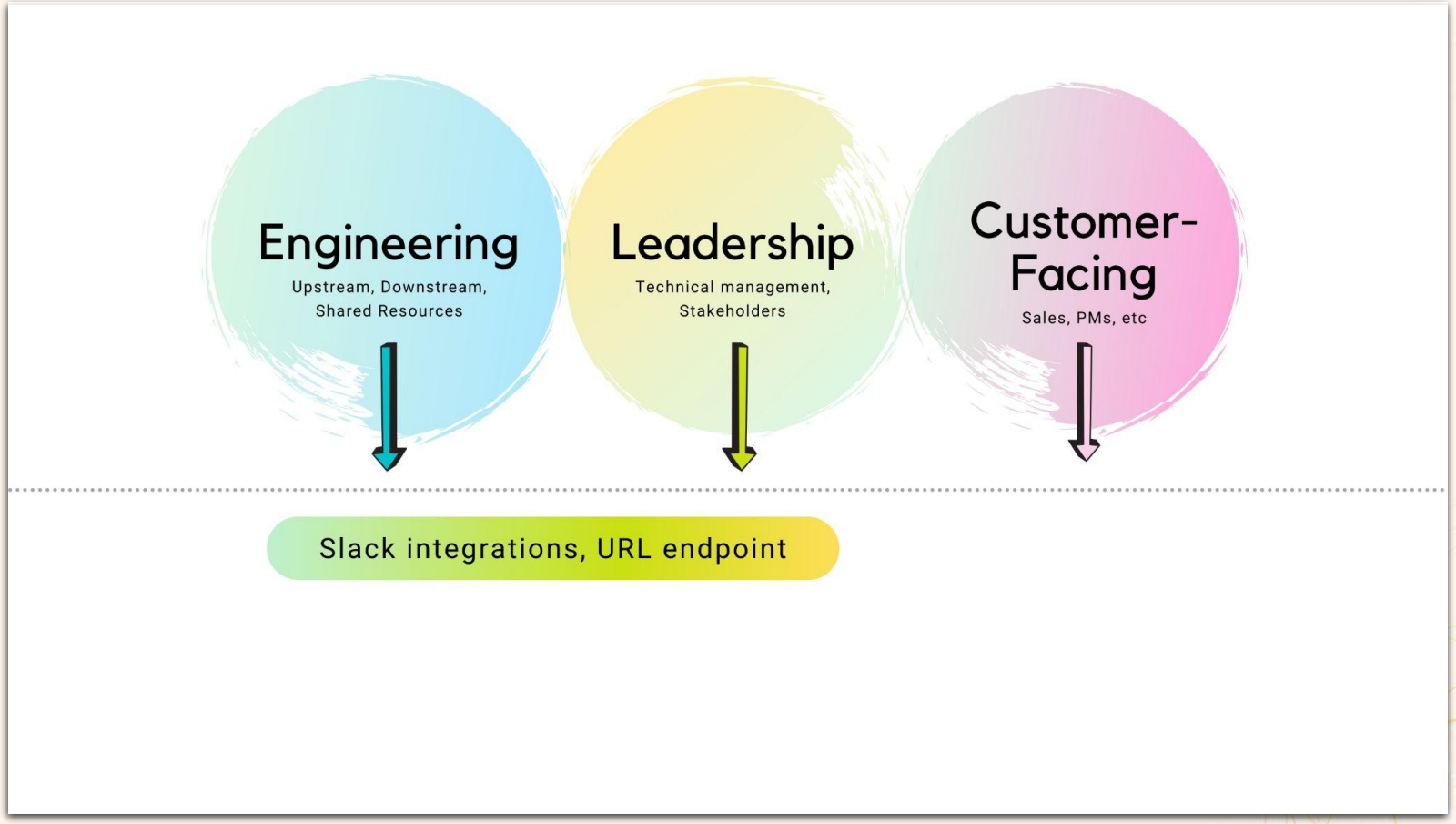

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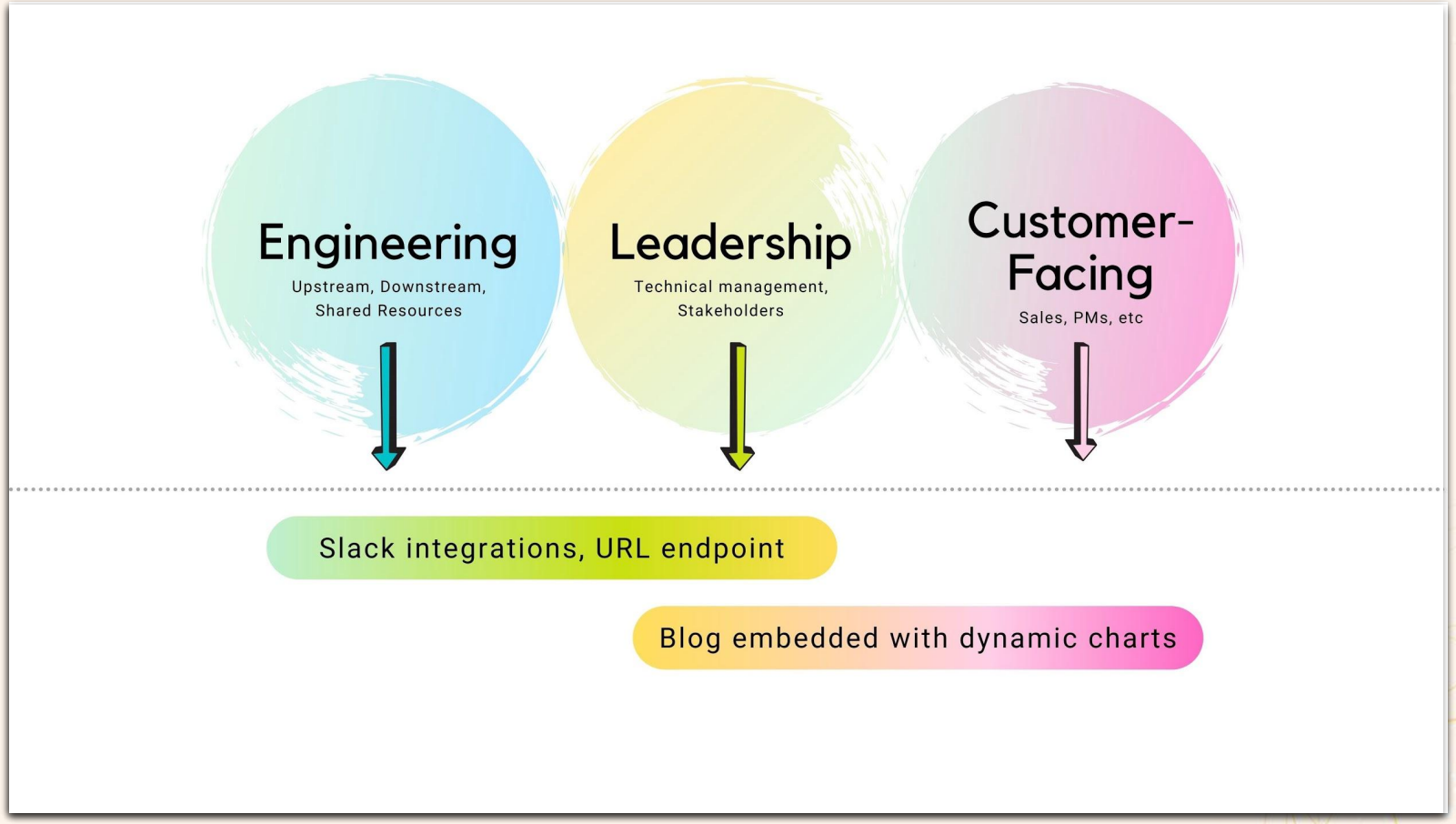

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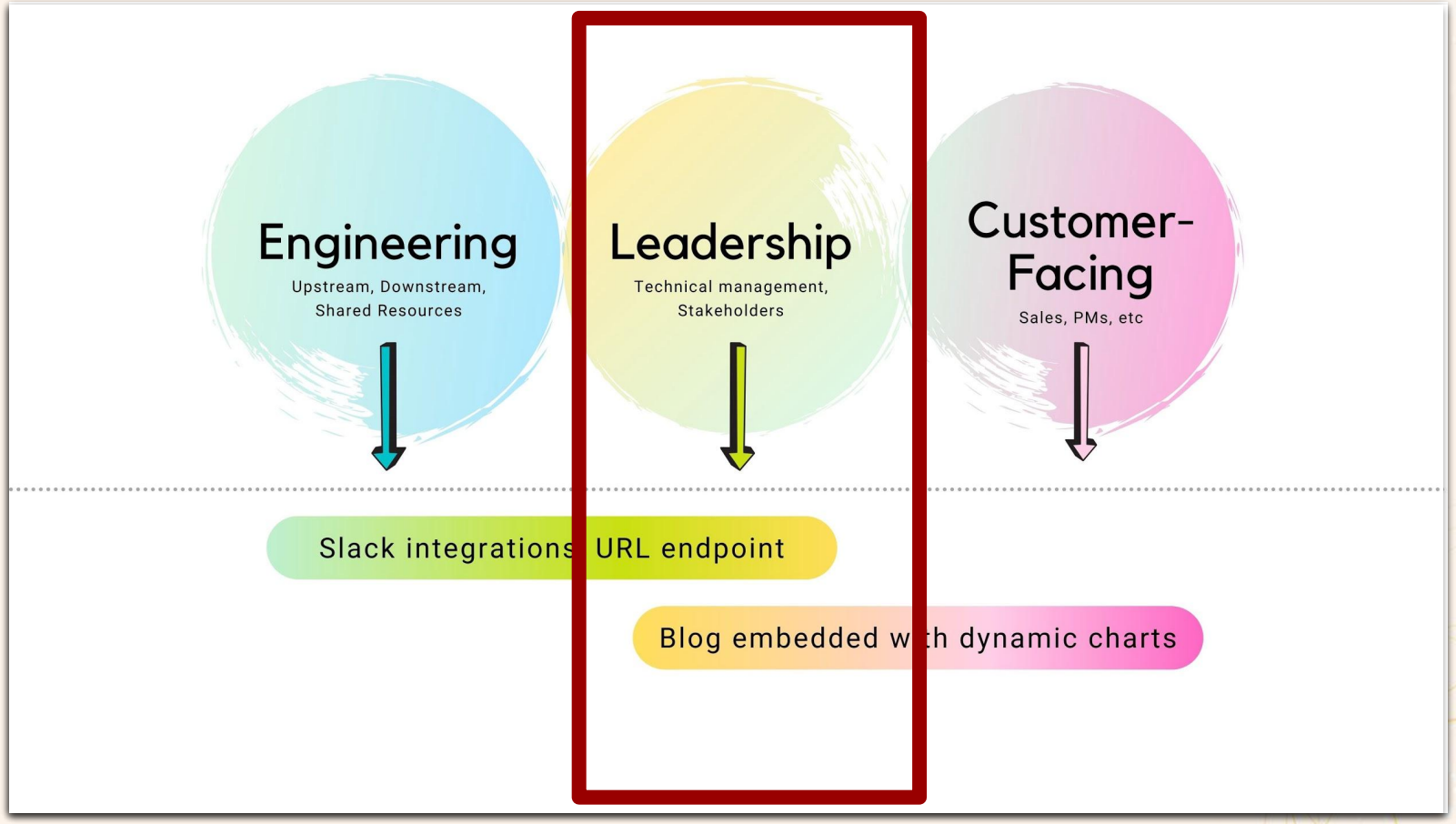

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For systems with complex integration points:

- **Metrics-Driven Metrics**: streamline technical complexity
- **Metrics as a Shared Language**: streamline interpersonal complications

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Resources

- Prometheus push gateway - when to use it/docuemntation: https://prometheus.io/docs/practices/pushing/
- Prometheus push gateway on GitHub: https://github.com/prometheus/pushgateway
- Prometheus Flink example: https://github.com/mbode/flink-prometheus-example
- Flink monitoring: https://flink.apache.org/news/2019/02/25/monitoring-best-practices.html

Credits - Images

- Flink logos:
  https://wints.github.io/flink-web//community.html
- Data-Driven/Aware/Informed Design:
  https://uxdesign.cc/becoming-a-data-aware-designer-1d7614ebc3ed
- Stream processing diagram:
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- 747 Airplane cockpit:
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- DataDog Flink dashboard:
  https://www.datadoghq.com/blog/monitor-apache-flink-with-datadog/
- All other photos & Images:
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Credits

- Basic Data-Driven Development principles https://www.portable.com.au/reports/principles-of-data-driven-design
- Data-driven design: https://www.springboard.com/blog/data-driven-design/
- Becoming A Data-Aware Designer, + definition image - Illustration from “Designing with Data” by King, Churchill, & Tan https://uxdesign.cc/becoming-a-data-aware-designer-1d7614ebc3ed
- https://digitalprinciples.org/wp-content/uploads/PDD_Principle-BeDataDriven_v2.pdf
- Harvard Business Review - Data Driven Culture: https://hbr.org/2020/02/10-steps-to-creating-a-data-driven-culture

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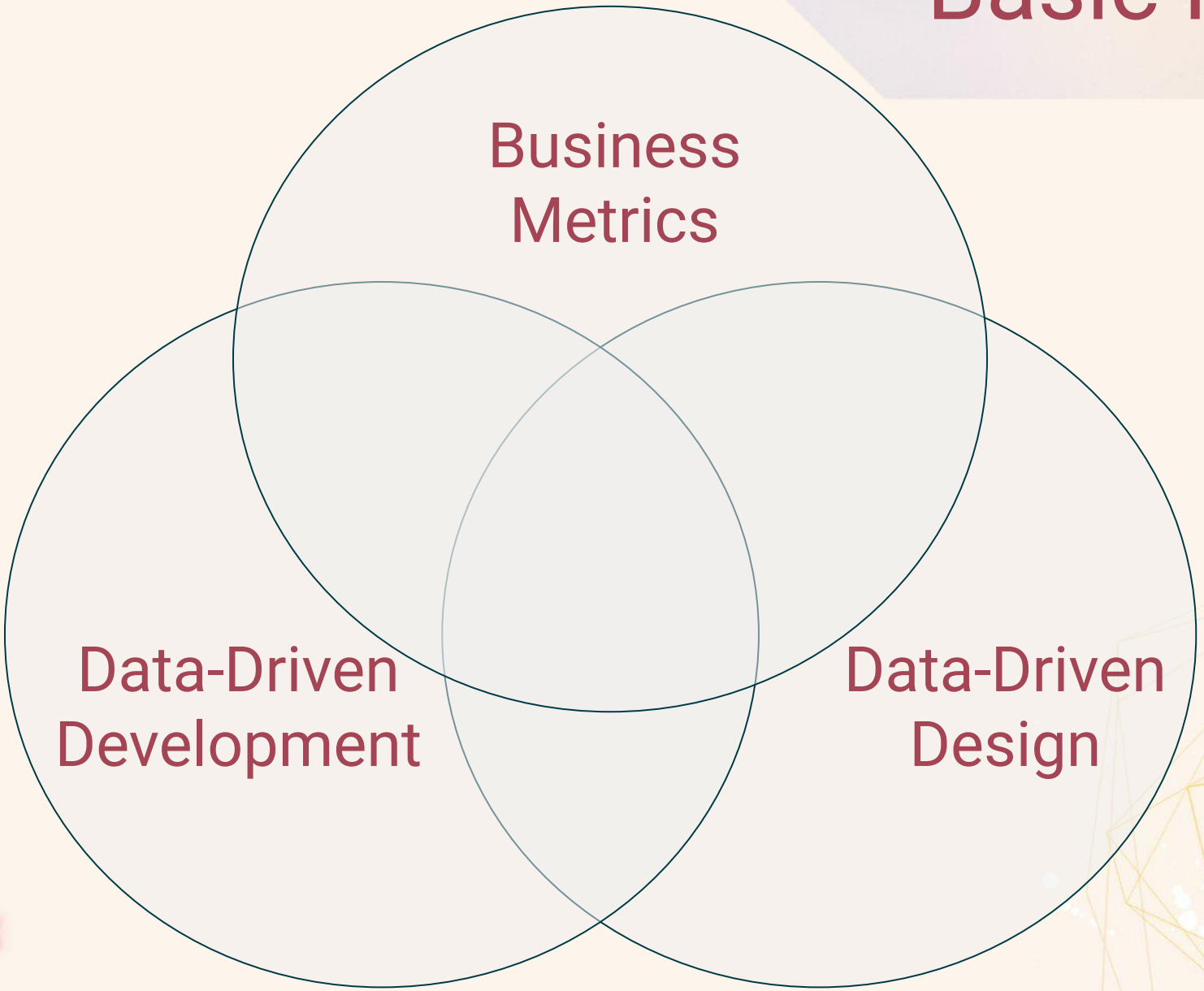

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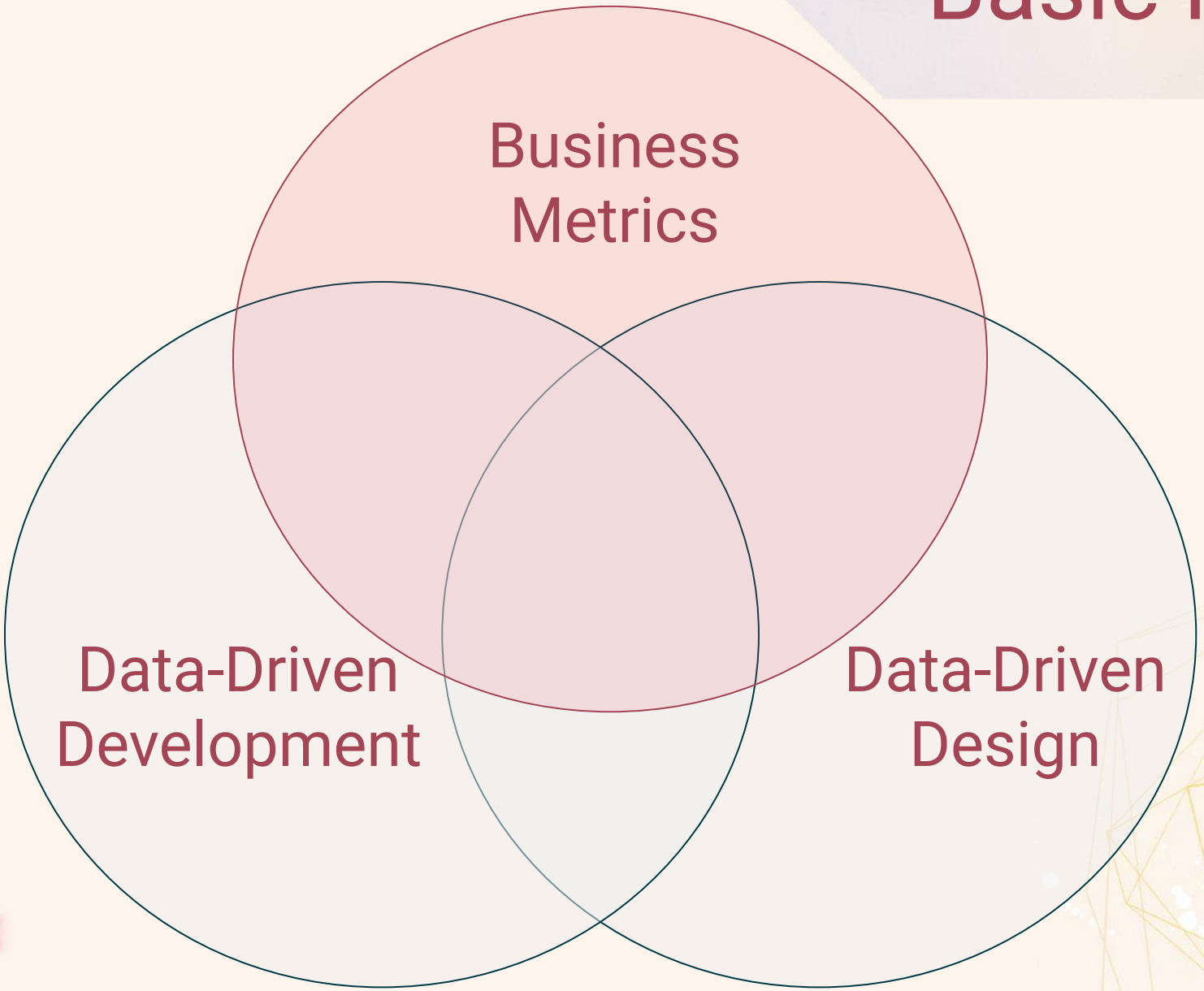

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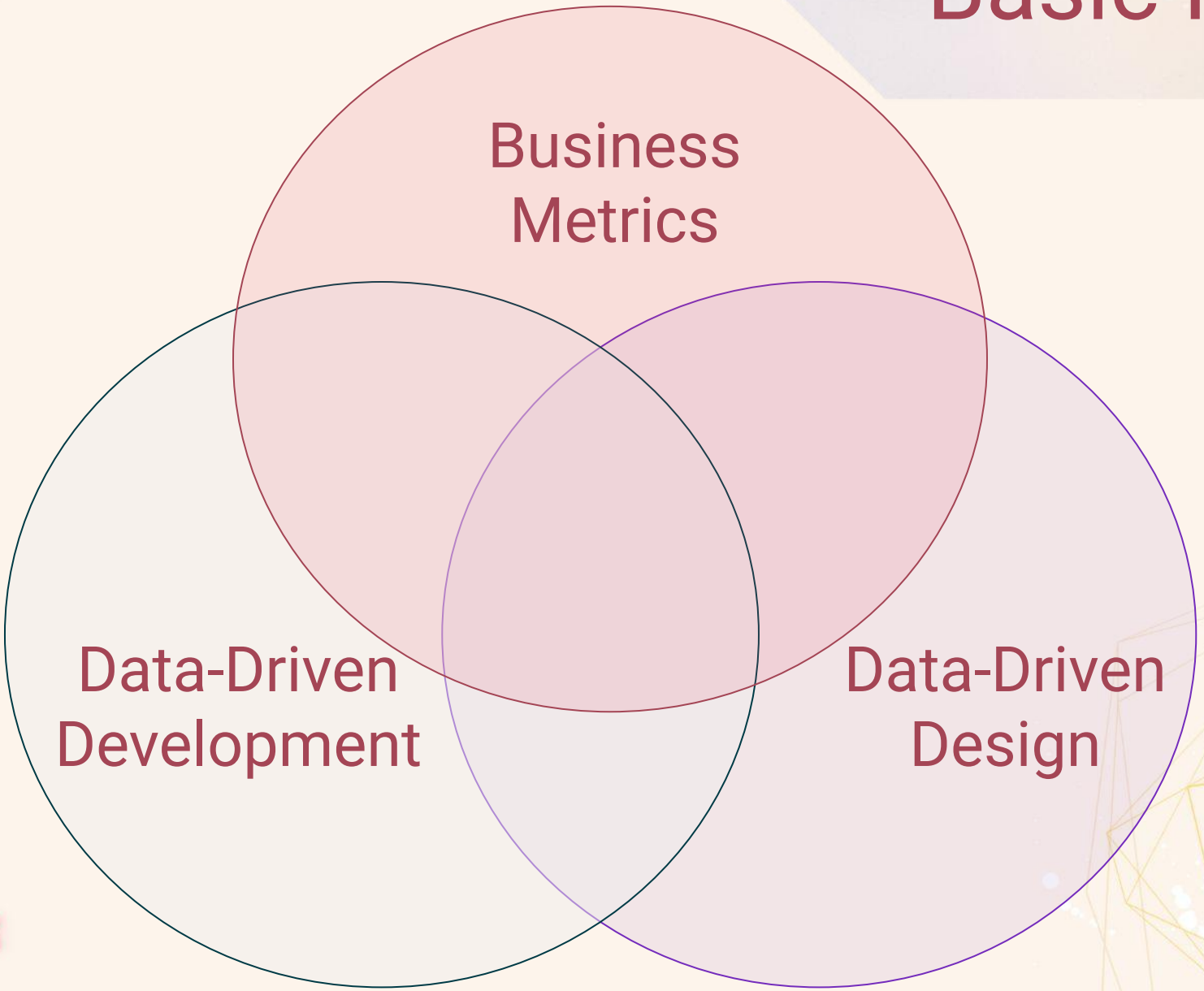

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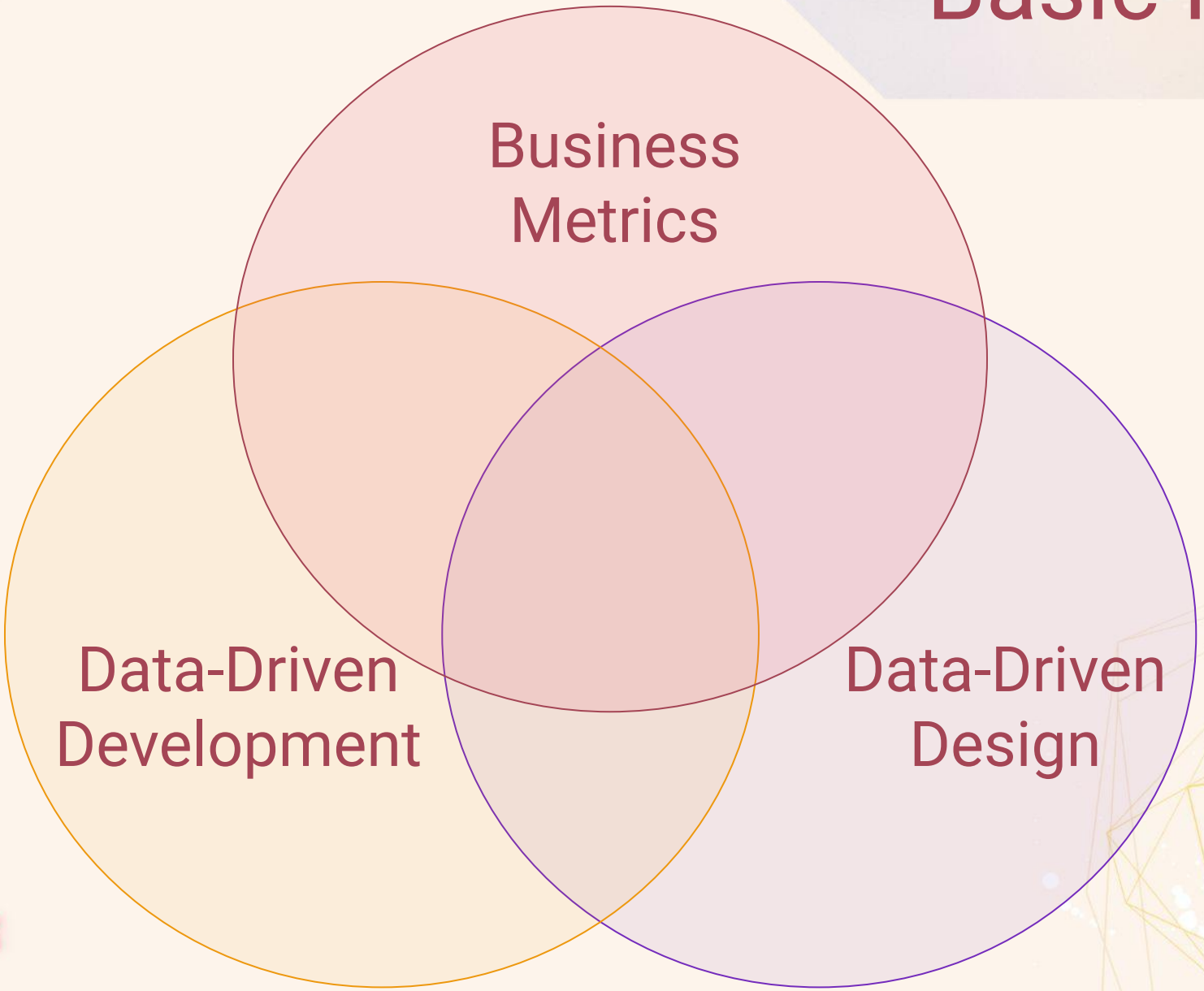

CONCLUSION

Audience	Tactic	Tools
You/Your Team	• Dashboard should represent your priorities & values • Bring Development + Operations together	**Analytics platforms** • Flink UI, Ververica Platform • Data Dog • New Relic • Grafana/Prometheus...
Upstream + Downstream Teams	• Understand each other's "normal" • Clear ownership for integration points	**Analytics + chat integrations** • Slack + PagerDuty • Slack + Jenkins...
Leadership + Stakeholders	• Business metrics • Pivot between summary & depth • Use tools they're familiar with	**Automated, non-engineering spaces** • URL endpoints • Internal wiki/blog (with embedded, automated output)
Customers	• More manual approach	**Manual approach** • Your company's customer-facing teams

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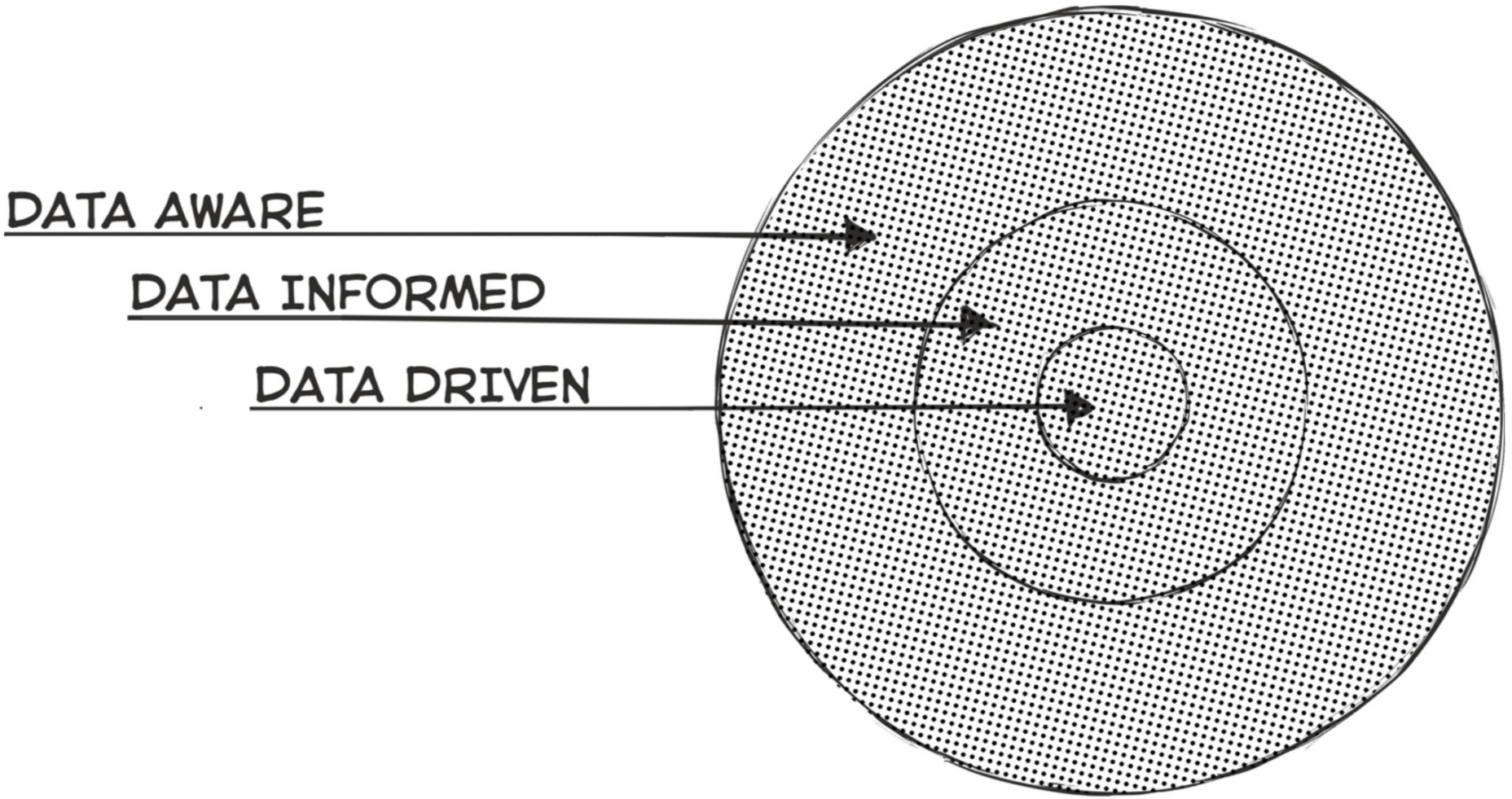

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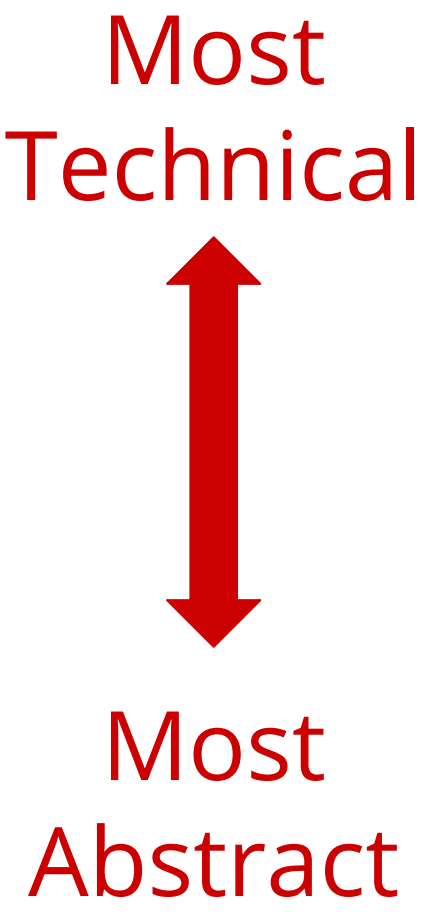

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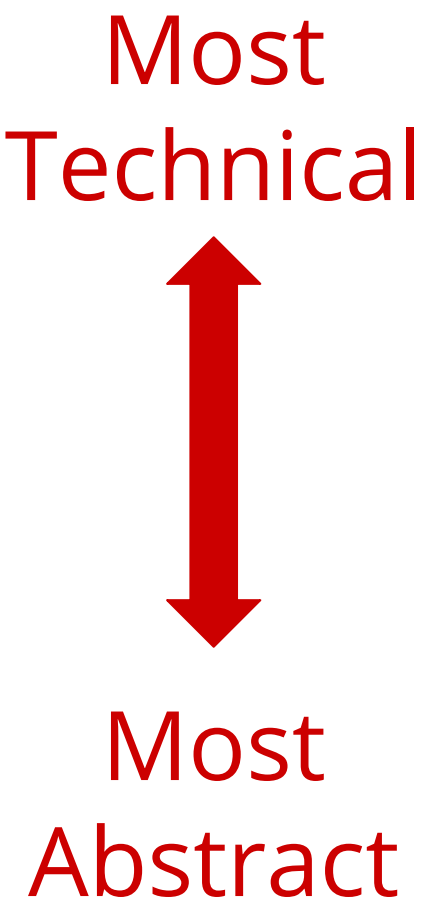

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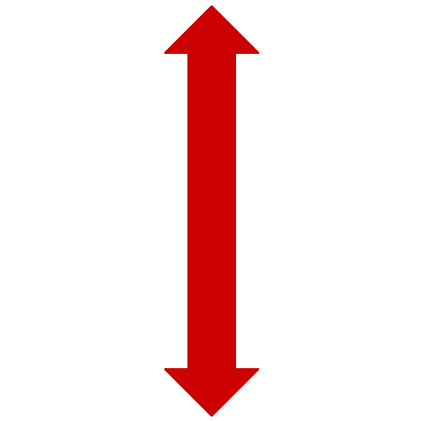

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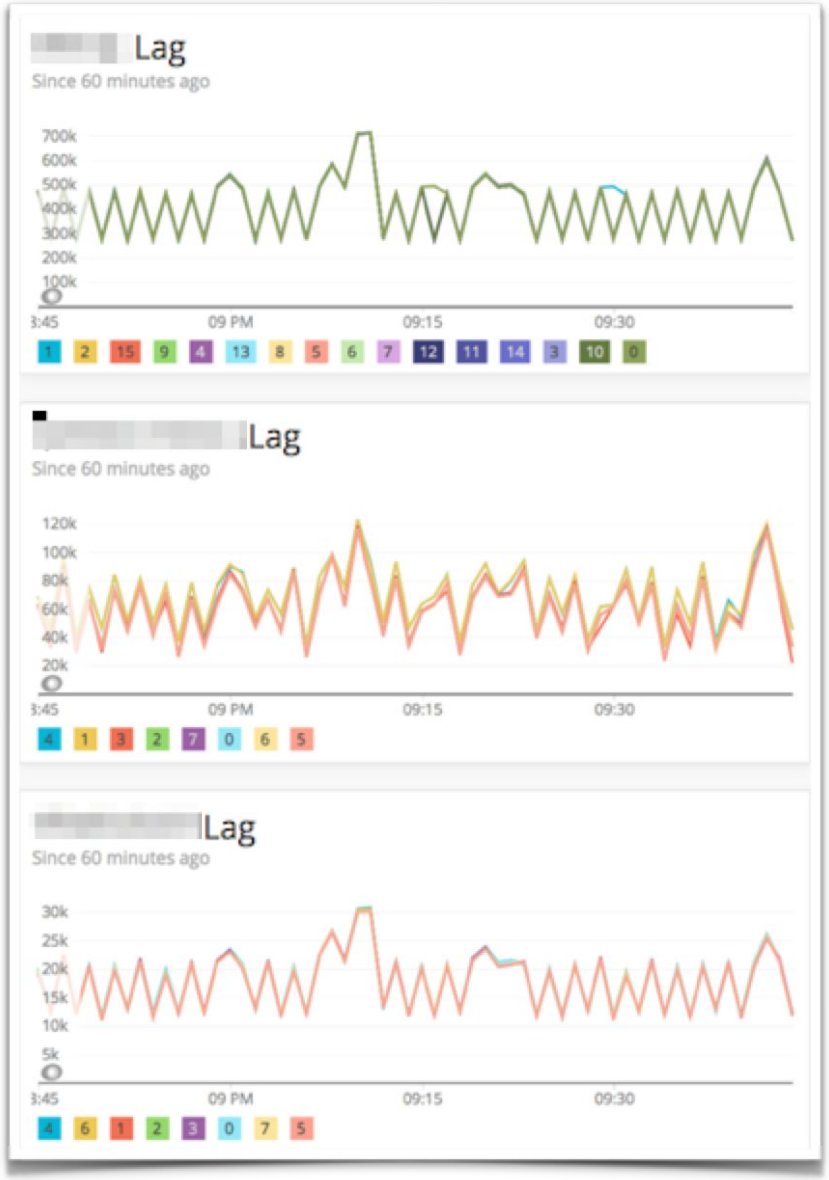

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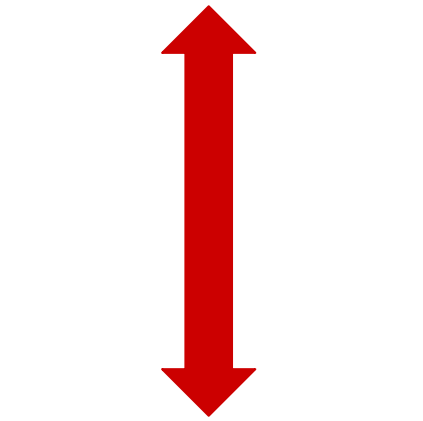

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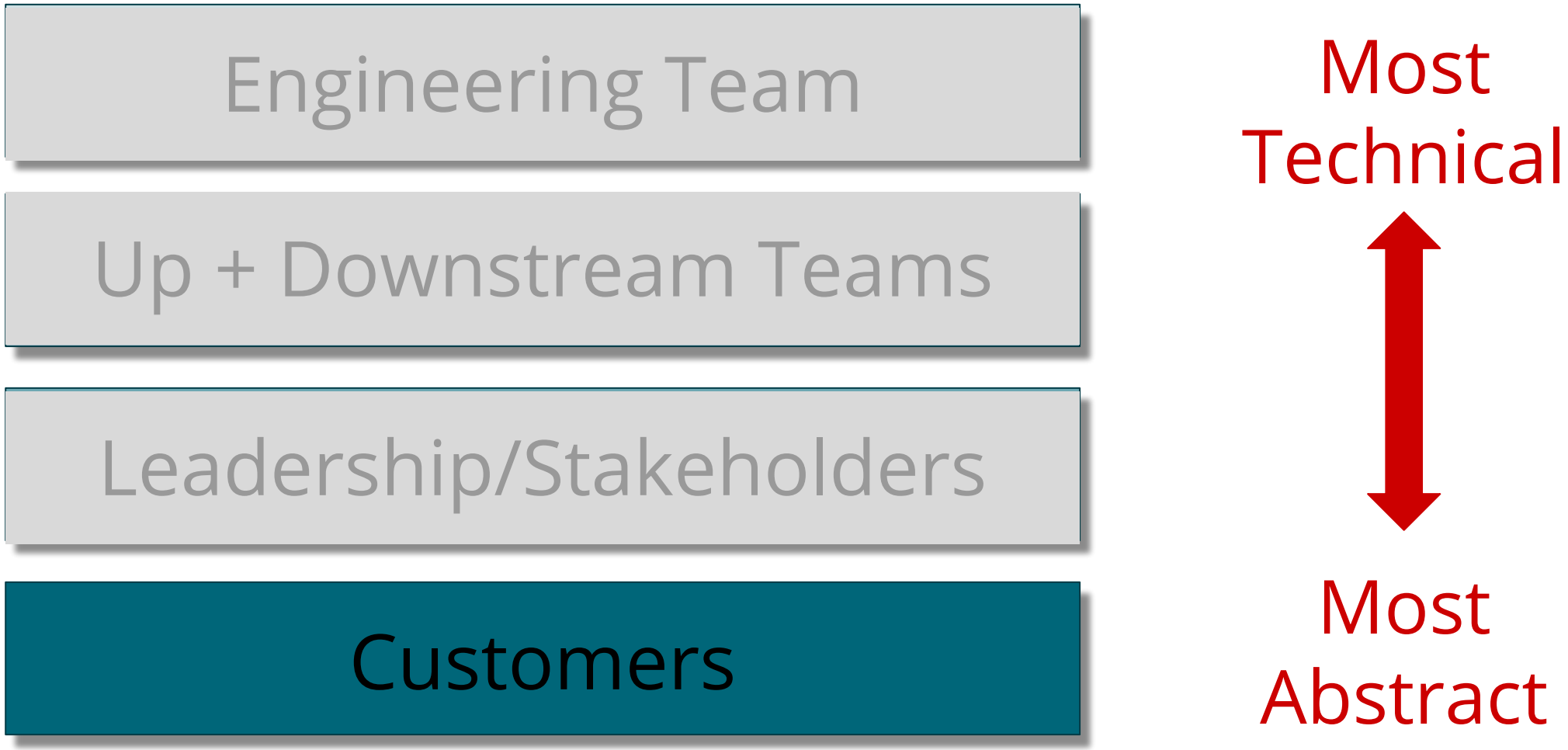

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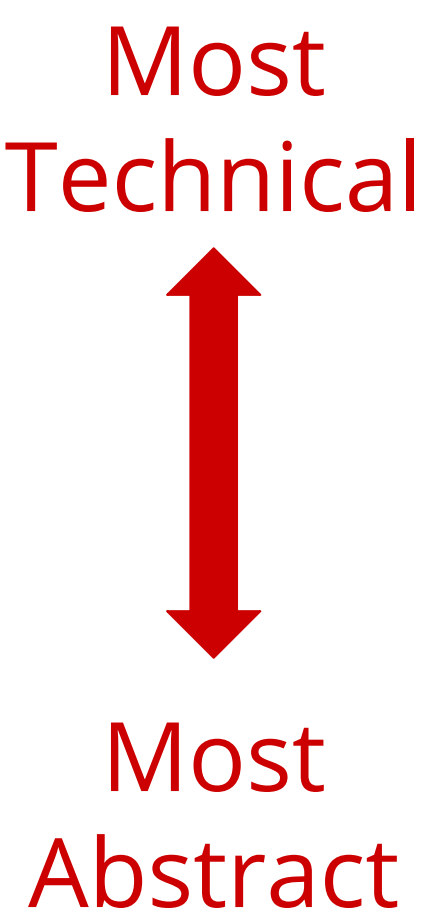

Summary

Concept	Principles	Implementation	Benefit
Metrics-Driven-Metrics cycle	Meaningful, iterative, accessible	High risk, most uncertain, current roadmap priority	Incident response,
Metrics as a shared language	Use tools familiar to your audience	Small modular units	Automate people & process challenges

Before We Start...

Flink's REST API integration

```
http://hostname:8081/jobmanager/metrics
                    /taskmanagers/<taskmanagerid>/metrics
                    /taskmanagers/metrics
                    /jobs/metrics?jobs=D,E,F
                    ...
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