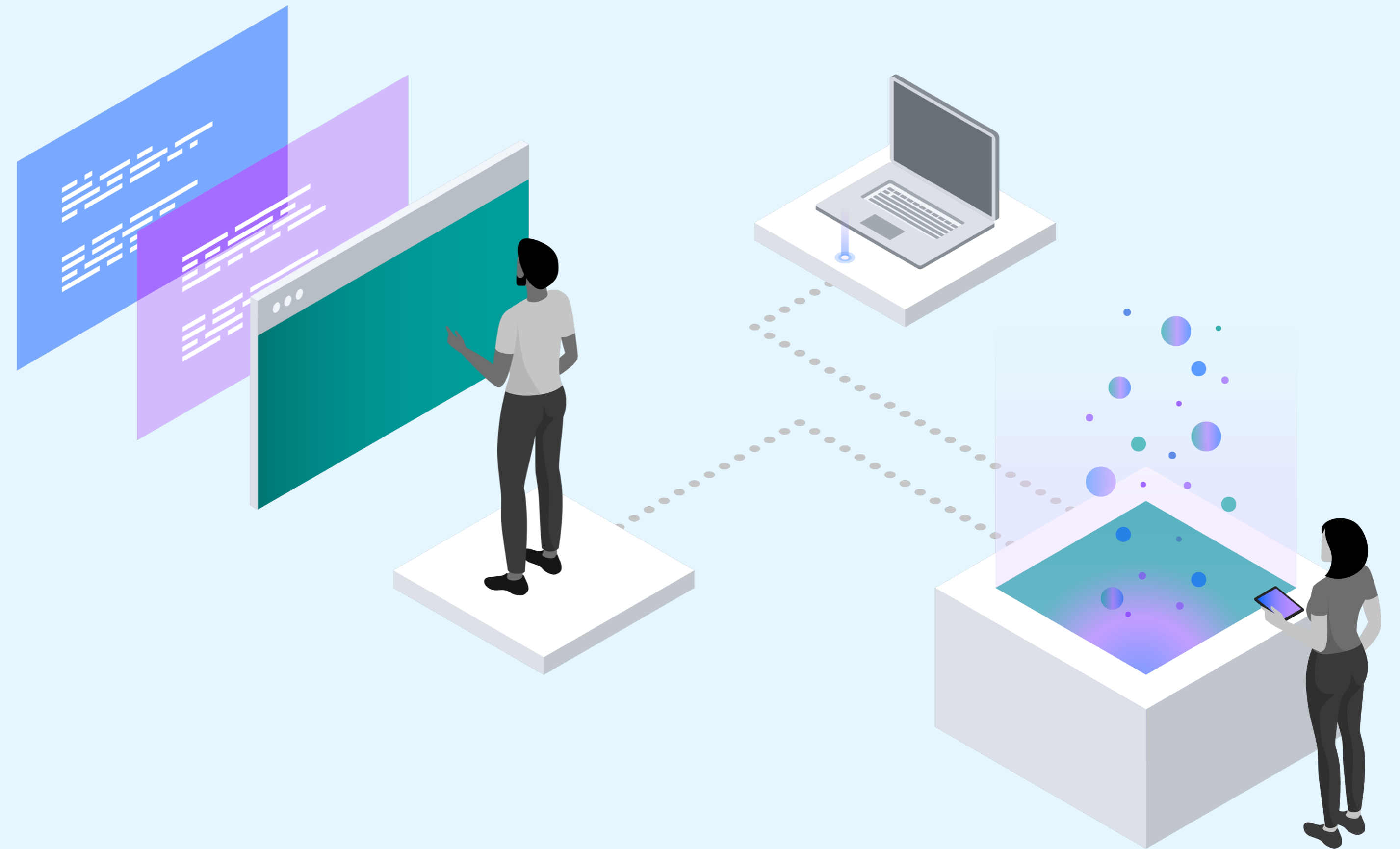


# Best practices for taking a hybrid approach to AIOps for IBM Z



# Challenges for CIOs and Ops teams

## CIOs' challenges

### Innovation vs. stability

- 2,000+ IT incidents per month; 9 will be critical, costing \$139k per hour on average
- 70% of the team is tied up just keeping what they already have running

### Complex environments & siloed teams

- Days to detect and diagnose a complex issue
- Major outages can cost up to \$420k per hour
- Inefficient war-room process

## Ops teams' challenges

### Overwhelmed by disparate tools

- Struggling with inconsistent alerts across sources
- Workflow interrupted to swap between disparate tools
- Challenges with sharing data

### Burnout & skills

- Only 10% of FTEs have 90% critical expertise
- Teams & CIOs struggle with talent risk

# Detect

## Monitoring

IBM OMEGAMON®  
IBM Z® Monitoring Suite

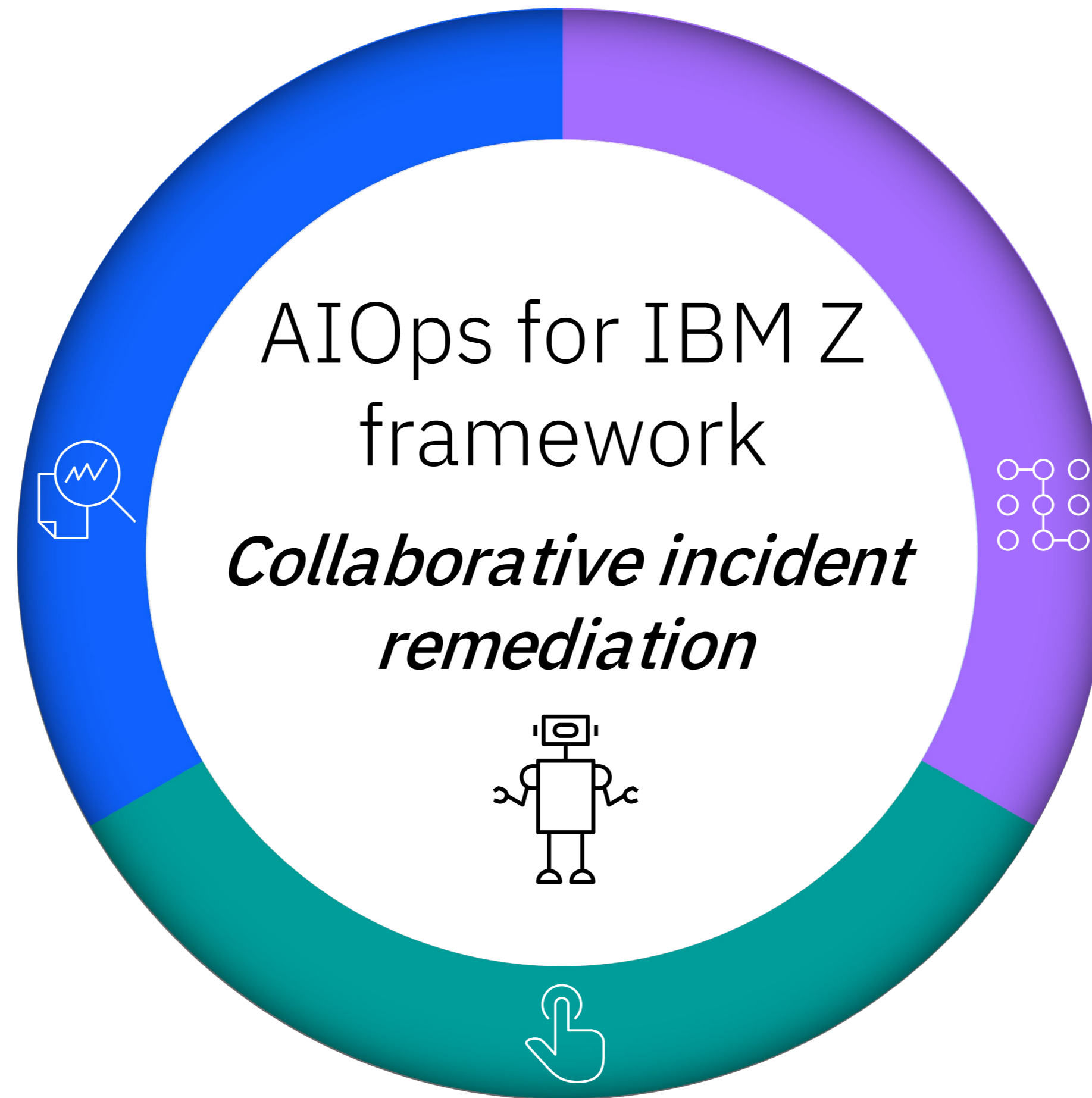


## Hybrid cloud observability

IBM Z APM Connect  
IBM Observability by Instana APM on z/OS®  
IBM zSystems Integration for Observability

## Anomaly detection

IBM Z Anomaly Analytics



# Decide

## Deep-domain metrics & application trace analysis

IBM OMEGAMON  
IBM Z Monitoring Suite



## Log analytics

IBM Z Operational Log and Data Analytics

## Anomaly correlation

IBM z/OS Workload Interaction Navigator



## Performance & capacity management

IBM Z Performance and Capacity Analytics

# Act

## Intelligent automation

IBM Z System Automation  
IBM Z NetView®



## Storage automation

IBM Z Advanced Storage Management Suite



## Predictive workload automation

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## Resiliency

IBM Z Batch Resiliency

# Better together – Hybrid cloud integrations

## Hybrid cloud integration

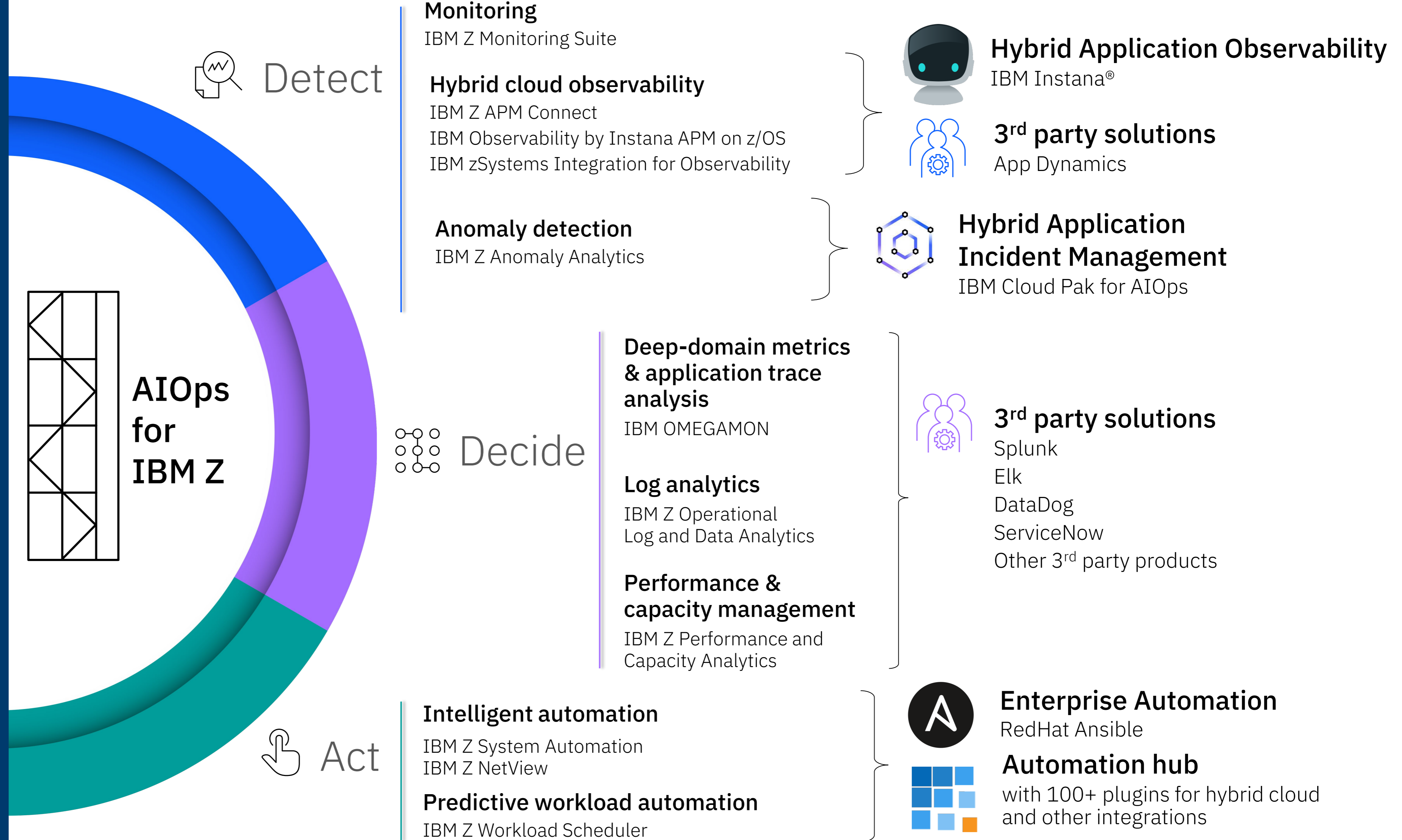
Enhancing hybrid cloud observability and proactive incident management

## Embed AIOps

Improved time to resolution through embedded analytics and AI. Minimize skills gap with embedded domain knowledge and contextual insights

## Integrated workflows

Streamlining simplification of capabilities across the AIOps for IBM Z portfolio for faster resolution times





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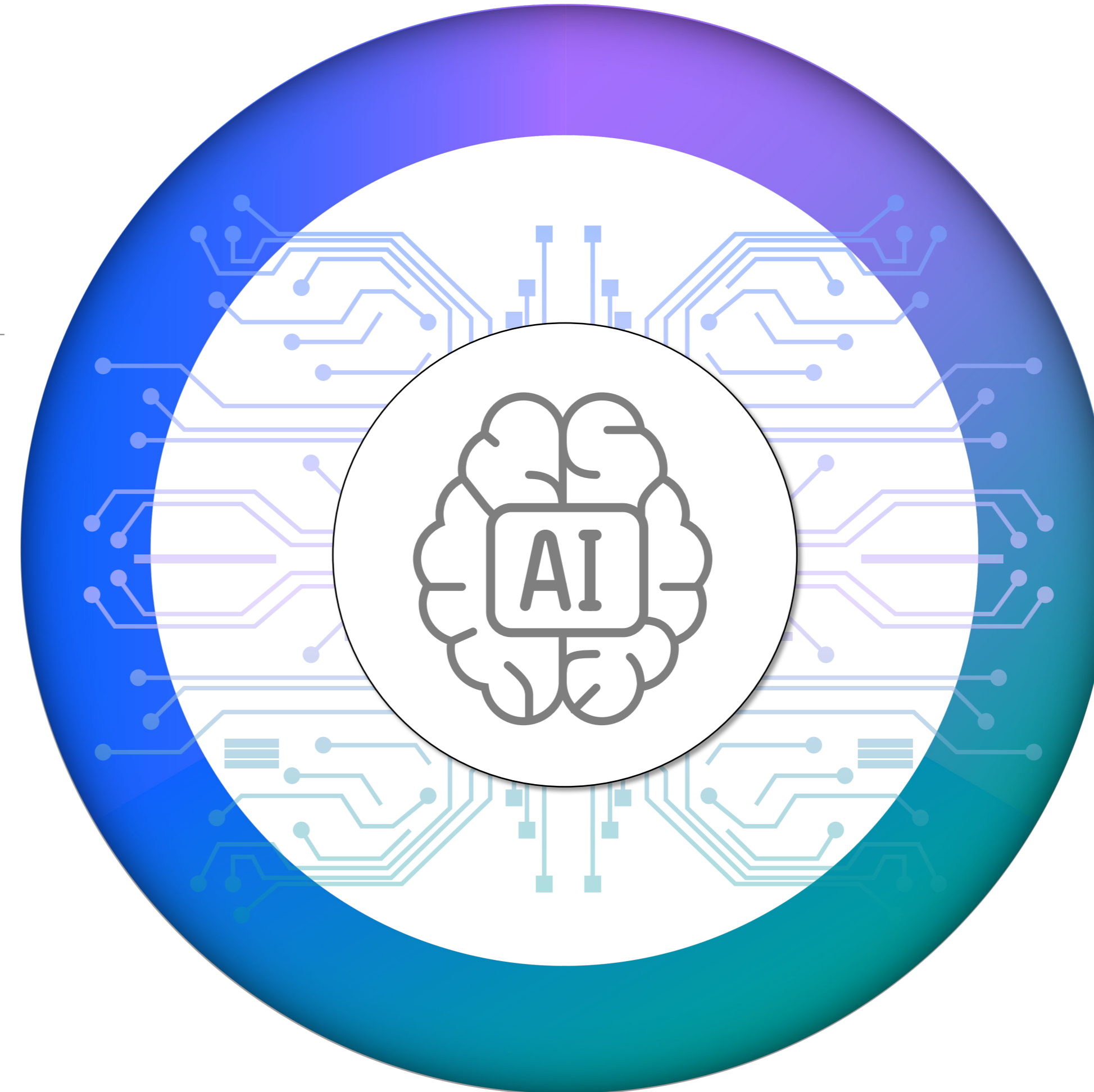
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### Detect

Accelerate detection and reduce tribal knowledge with environment modeling



### Decide

Embed more domain knowledge and contextualize AI insights through correlations

### Act

Restore service as soon as possible and avoid problems with intelligent automation and collaborative incident management

# Hybrid cloud integration

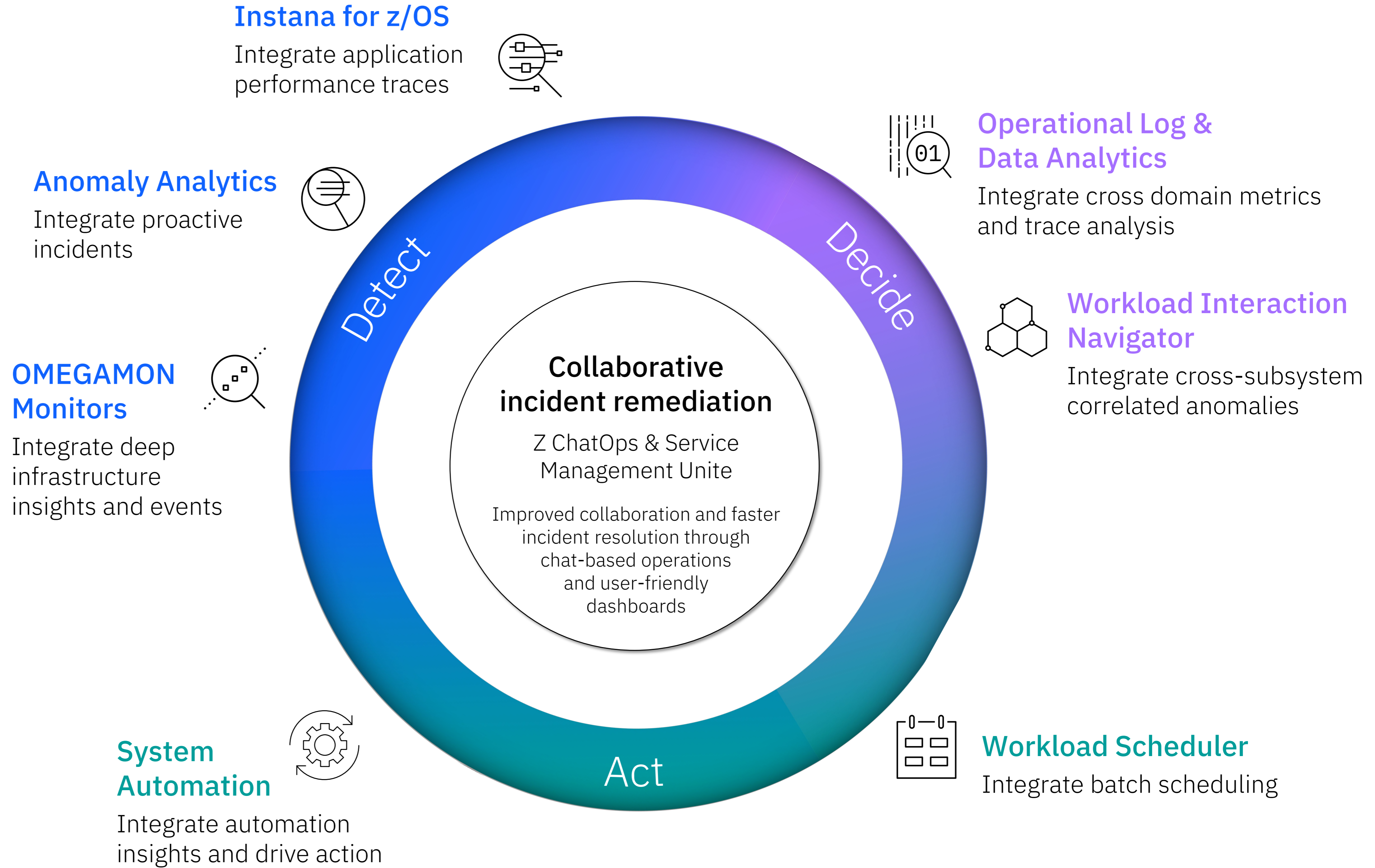
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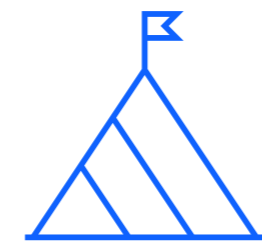
# Collaborative incident remediation

*Improved collaboration and faster incident resolution through chat-based operations and user-friendly dashboards*

- IBM Z ChatOps
- IBM Service Management Unite

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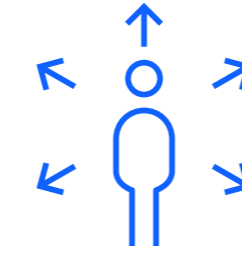
- IBM Z Service Management Suite
- IBM Z Service Automation Suite
- IBM Z Monitoring Suite
- IBM zSystems Integration for Observability
- IBM Z System Automation



## Challenges

Increasingly hybrid and complex application landscapes

- Information, team, and data silos increase the time to problem resolution
- Collaboration across teams and remote workforce
- Lack of skills
- Many different tools needed



## IBM Capability

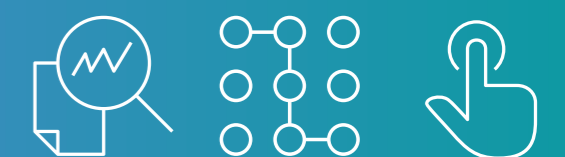
- ChatOps solutions that foster collaboration and surface relevant data and actions in enterprise chat platforms
- Consolidated web-based dashboards that bring mainframe management information and tasks from disparate sources into a single environment
- Alert the team through chat platforms and use an intelligent chatbot to analyze and operate an IBM Z environment



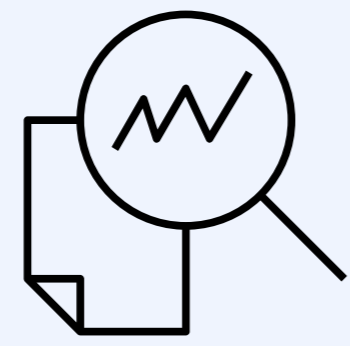
## Client Value

Improved collaboration within and across teams

- Faster incident identification and resolution
- Faster onboarding of next generation of Z operators
- Easy sharing of Z data
- Integration with other tooling



# Detect



Monitor hybrid infrastructure and applications and detect issues and anomalies

## Monitoring

- IBM OMEGAMON
- IBM Z Monitoring Suite
- IBM Z Service Management Suite

## Hybrid cloud observability

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## Anomaly detection

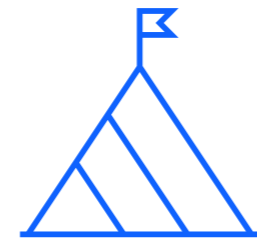
- IBM Z Anomaly Analytics



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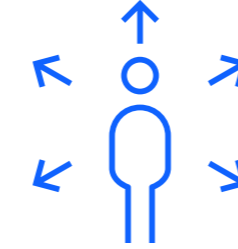
*Identify poorly performing tasks quickly for faster resolution with full-stack monitoring for early detection of Z incidents*

- IBM OMEGAMON
- IBM Z Monitoring Suite
- IBM Z Service Management Suite



## Challenges

- Environments are growing in complexity as applications and workloads are rapidly changing
- Hybrid observability solutions lack visibility into IBM Z for visualizing modern hybrid applications
- Teams are challenged with being overloaded and are often unable to attract and retain new skills and expertise



## IBM Capability

- Deep monitoring and alerting of the latest IBM Z hardware, z/OS, and middleware to provide visibility into native applications, cryptographic enhancements, AI, system recovery boost, container extensions, and more
- Stream core metrics and integrate events to industry-leading observability solutions
- Enhanced configuration management to rapidly deploy critical monitoring infrastructure



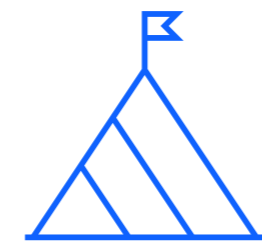
## Client Value

- Improve collaboration between teams – Alert details sent to your collaboration tool for faster problem triage which can be seen by the entire channel
- Visibility of IBM Z in modern, open, hybrid cloud tools for visualization and analytics
- When an incident occurs, the enterprise operations teams are provided with additional context and remediation through automation

# Hybrid cloud observability

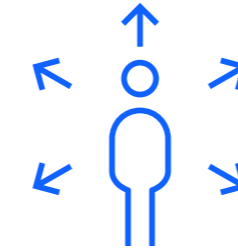
*Avoid blind spots in application observability with end-to-end transaction tracing including z/OS resources*

- IBM Z APM Connect
- IBM Observability by Instana APM on z/OS
- IBM zSystems Integration for Observability



## Challenges

- Application teams typically lack visibility into critical z/OS-based workloads and resources
- Disjointed data collection and operations user experience between mainframe and other technologies within the enterprise
- Leads to delayed problem detection and isolation resulting with increased incident resolution time



## IBM Capability

- Comprehensive transaction tracing capabilities to track application flow into z/OS and through key subsystems including MQ®, CICS®, IMS™ and Db2® on z/OS
- Direct integration of key infrastructure metrics from OMEGAMON into Instana for additional context when investigating hybrid application incidents
- Simplified approach for integrating z/OS telemetry data into enterprise-wide solutions



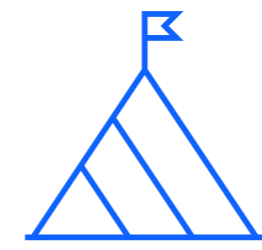
## Client Value

- Ensure the mainframe is full participant in enterprise-wide observability with no blind spots
- Empower application teams to detect and isolate mainframe issues even with limited IBM Z knowledge
- Drive down time to resolve application problems that are impacted on z/OS

# Anomaly detection

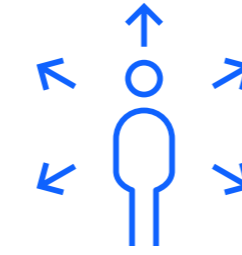
*Proactive incident detection with real-time AI/ML operational anomaly analytics*

- IBM Z Anomaly Analytics



## Challenges

- Reactive response to operational events negatively impacts the customer experience
- Vast amounts of operational data are impossible to manually analyze in real time
- As the digital transformation continues, hybrid applications are rapidly changing along with the adoption of DevOps



## IBM Capability

- Greater key performance indicator coverage with pre-built metric models for z/OS, Db2, CICS, IMS, MQ
- Improved log-based machine learning granularity with variable analysis
- Common Kafka architecture to expand AIOps for IBM Z ecosystem
- Streamlined install/config experience for faster time to value

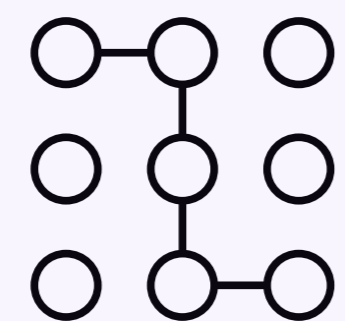


## Client Value

- Proactively identify potential IT Operational issues before they become SLA impacting events
- Reduce the mean time to detect operational issues from hours to real time
- Integrate topology and anomaly events directly into event management systems, service desk solutions, or with IBM Cloud Pak® for AIOps for complete hybrid cloud application visibility



# Decide



Analyze issues and anomalies to isolate problems and identify root causes

## Deep-domain metrics & application trace analysis

- IBM OMEGAMON
- IBM Z Monitoring Suite
- IBM Z Service Management Suite
- IBM zSystems Integration for Observability

## Log analytics

- IBM Z Operational Log and Data Analytics

## Anomaly correlation

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- IBM z/OS Workload Interaction Correlator

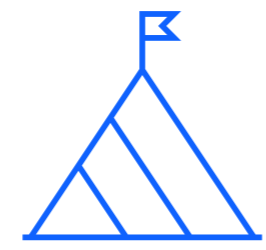
## Performance & capacity planning

- IBM Z Performance and Capacity Analytics

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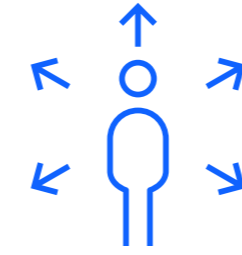
*Diagnose application bottlenecks within code, server resources or external dependencies*

- IBM Z Monitoring Suite
- IBM Z Service Management Suite
- IBM zSystems Integration for Observability



## Challenges

- Growth of complex application architectures and open mainframe services
- Locating the root cause from among many domain areas
- Collecting and analyzing bottlenecks within application code or subsystem programs



## IBM Capability

- Expedite root cause analysis and assist domain experts
- Analyze z/OS Connect APIs through to the system of record
- Identify bottlenecks within application code and identify z/OS Container Extensions
- Dynamically capture application or java traces and share trace reports with program development or IT support teams



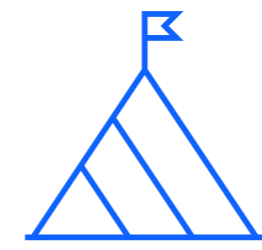
## Client Value

- Enable advanced tracing with provided intelligent alerts
- Activate CICS or IMS tracing and capture in-flight Java™ traces/dumps
- Utilize proprietary INSPECT feature to breakdown address space CPU execution
- Avoid blind spots with IBM z/OS Container Extensions task visualization
- Stream curated performance metrics to IBM Instana and other open platform tools, and forward events to IBM Cloud Pak for AIOps

# Log analytics

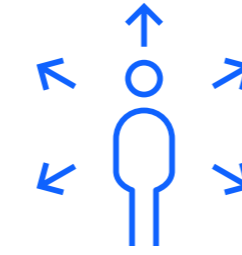
*Accelerate hybrid incident identification with real-time operational analytics*

- IBM Z Operational Log and Data Analytics



## Challenges

- Increasingly complex environments with hybrid application architectures
- Acceleration in data volume leads to overwhelming analysis
- IBM Z skills are becoming harder to acquire
- Difficulty gaining visibility into mainframe means unnecessary operational challenges



## IBM Capability

- Out-of-the-box log analytics platform that runs on Z
- Common Kafka architecture to enable strategic AIOps for IBM Z ecosystem
- Widened dashboard support to visualize IBM Z operational data in the same context as your distributed environment



## Client Value

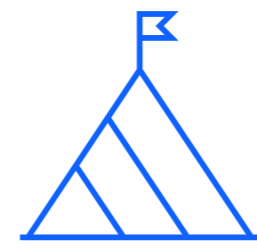
- *Reduced cost*  
Save on streaming & maximize your log analytics investment
- *Reduced effort*  
Leverage the analytics platform of your choice to quickly make sense of your Z data
- *Greater visibility*  
Contextualize your Z data to uncover & investigate incidents with increased speed and confidence



# Anomaly correlation

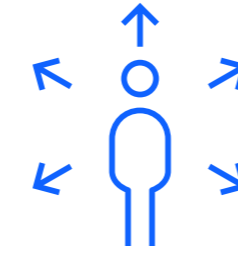
*Correlate anomalous activities across z/OS subsystems*

- IBM z/OS Workload Interaction Navigator
- IBM z/OS Workload Interaction Correlator



## Challenges

- IBM Z workloads are often a black box where the interdependencies of workload activities are unknown
- Previously available data was not sufficient to quickly diagnose workload performance issues that are often transient in nature
- When issues arise in an environment, time is lost identifying the true root cause by investigating symptoms of the problem



## IBM Capability

- z/OS components and middleware silos generate purpose built, 5-second synchronized, micro-summary, exceptionalism enriched data
- Reactive performance problem diagnosis dynamically identifies, temporally correlates, and prioritizes micro-summary anomalies
- Historical inspector continuously learns if client-specific anomalies reoccur, and if they 'get worse'



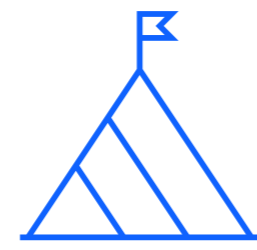
## Client Value

- Correlated anomalies can be analyzed across disparate silos – reducing root cause identification time for complex outages and critical situations
- Proactively identify repeating workload anomalies with an opportunity to diagnose and address them before workload impacts, crit-sits, and outages occur
- Change verification to understand what is normal and visualize any new and worsening anomalies

# Performance and capacity management

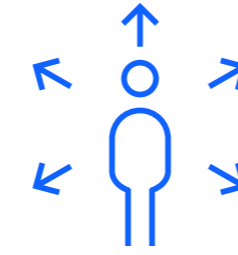
*Reduce the time to access, curate and analyze operational data to make accurate performance and capacity decisions that align with business goals*

- IBM Z Performance and Capacity Analytics



## Challenges

- Use of multiple disconnected tooling leads to a lack of system-wide insight, making it difficult to effectively track usage and cost against plan
- Root cause analysis to determine source of problems is difficult, making it costly to identify and validate capacity and performance optimization opportunities
- Widening skills and expertise gap to build deep data insights and reports



## IBM Capability

- Health Metrics Scorecard delivers easy to understand report detailing the overall health of environment across nearly 40 components
- Expanded SMF performance analysis across MQ, Db2 on z/OS and z/OS Connect
- Enhanced capacity planning reports for analyzing workloads in either MSUs or MIPS
- Pre-defined reports to cover Tailored Fit Pricing for Hardware and Software



## Client Value

- Detailed, timely insights with lower overhead curated from near real time SMF data
- Proactive anticipation of future problems and needs by understanding impact of configuration changes and potential upgrades before making decisions
- Transparency in consumption and chargeback processes that can be tied back to business needs

# Act

Rapidly respond to reduce impact on the clients with improved resiliency

## Intelligent automation

- IBM Z Service Automation Suite
- IBM Z Service Management Suite
- IBM Z System Automation
- IBM Z NetView

## Predictive workload automation

- IBM Z Service Automation Suite
- IBM Z Workload Scheduler

## Storage automation

- IBM Z Advanced Storage Management Suite

## Resiliency

- IBM Z Batch Resiliency



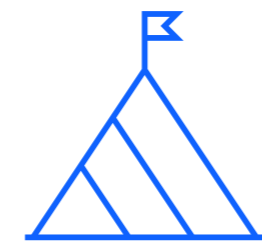
# Intelligent automation

*End-to-end, goal-driven and policy-based system automation for a consistent and reliable automation across the enterprise*

- IBM Z System Automation
- IBM Z NetView

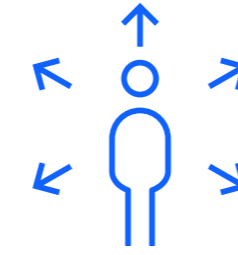
Included in:

- IBM Z Service Management Suite
- IBM Z Service Automation Suite



## Challenges

- Hybrid and complex application landscapes (multi-sysplex, multi-platforms environment)
- Sustain availability and resiliency goals under budget pressures, increased availability demands while facing generation shift
- Increasing efforts and cost to document and maintain automation code
- New automation personnel lack mainframe skills to operate the complex environments



## IBM Capability

- Policy-based automation to dynamically manage automated resources cross-sysplex and cross-platform
- Tight integration with key operational capabilities
- Accessible through OpenAPI REST interfaces via Ansible, Zowe™ command line interface, chat tools, and other clients
- Modern, customizable and intuitive dashboard user interface for managing automated resources



## Client Value

- Improved reliability and resiliency for faster incident resolution
- Policy-based automatic restart and failover capabilities including proactive automation
- Intuitive interfaces and integration with chat platform improves collaboration within and across teams
- Faster response to business requirements while following structured change management principles using dynamic resources

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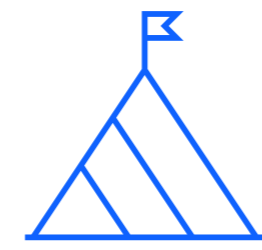
# Predictive workload automation

*End-to-end workload automation with embedded predictive scheduling for SLA management cross enterprise*

- IBM Z Workload Scheduler

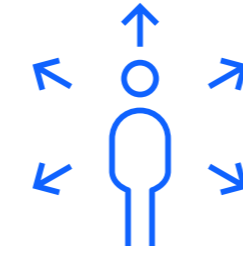
Included in:

- IBM Z Service Automation Suite



## Challenges

- Orchestration of calendar-based and event-driven tasks
- Growing complexity of workload to be managed, with dependencies between jobs running on different platforms
- Islands of different automations that are not integrated
- Shortening batch windows requiring continuous optimization of the batch execution, avoiding violation of SLA constraints



## IBM Capability

- Embedded predictive analytics to identify risk of SLA violations with automatic remediation
- AI powered anomaly detection
- Wide variety of advanced job types available to integrate cloud – and container environments
- Workload automation data is exposed as metrics based on standards such as OpenMetrics for easy integration in observability and analytics platforms



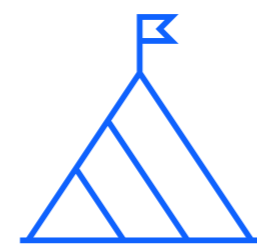
## Client Value

- End-to-end workload automation from a single point of control for z/OS and hybrid cloud applications
- Batch scheduling integrated in DevOps toolchains and observability platforms
- Z ChatOps integration to send alerts to your enterprise chat platform and use of a chatbot to monitor and control the job execution
- Run on-demand business processes as services from a self-service catalog from any device without workload scheduling knowledge

# Intelligent storage

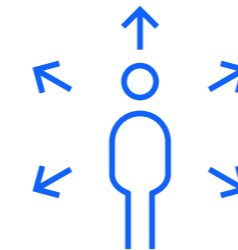
*Machine aided storage resource management and automated storage tasks across the enterprise for improved SLAs*

- IBM Z Storage Management Suite for z/OS
  - OMEGAMON for Storage on z/OS
  - Advanced Catalog Management for z/OS
  - Advanced Allocation Manager for z/OS
  - Advanced Reporting and Management for DFSMSHsm™
  - Advanced Audit for DFSMSHsm
  - IBM Cloud® Tape Connector for z/OS



## Challenges

- Modern z/OS Storage Environments are large & complex spanning multiple vendors and tools
- Storage on z/OS continues to be a vulnerable area with a decline in skilled storage admins and a struggle to train new talent
- Storage capacity continues to grow rapidly with the acceleration of digital transformation



## IBM Capability

- Storage Hardware and Software subsystem monitoring / management compatible with Zowe™ version 2.2
- HSM, RMM, ICF catalog & VSAM backup, integrity, and optimization
- Policy-based z/OS storage allocation and availability (outage prevention)
- Leverage Cloud or on-prem Object Storage for z/OS archive and/or backup data



## Client Value

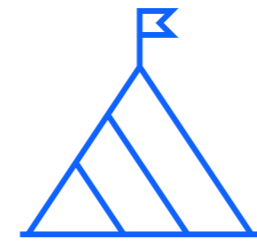
- Policy-based control of storage allocation keeps users from overconsuming storage and prevents storage failures
- Ensure HSM subsystems are healthy, efficient, and have low risk of outages
- Ensure crucial files are backed up and kept healthy for optimal performance
- Single vendor solution, reduce software stack TCO



# Resiliency

*Improve business resiliency and reduce risk by offering immediate insight into data inter-dependencies and vulnerabilities*

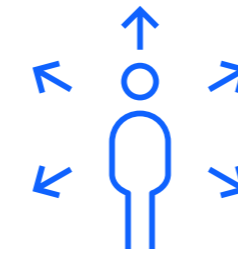
- IBM Z Batch Resiliency



## Challenges

- Ransomware, corruption, and cyber-attacks have introduced alarming new scenarios that demand even more diligent approaches to resiliency
- Increased emphasis on the importance of infrastructure resiliency driven by new regulatory mandates, such as DORA\*
- Volume of data and complexity of applications is increasing, and operational and disaster recovery needs to keep up

\* [Digital Operational Resilience Act](#)



## IBM Capability

- Cyber Vault Health Check report identifies any non-database-managed data set open at the time of a Safeguarded Copy backup
- Cascade reports provide a complete look into the past of at-risk data sets at a point in time and enable a forward recovery plan for any non-database-managed data recovered
- Generate restore JCL to accelerate the recovery process lowering dependency on skilled users



## Client Value

- Decrease recovery time following data corruption event with minimized manual processes
- Prove compliance and reliability on an ongoing basis to support audit and regulatory needs
- Reduce reliance on diminishing set of skilled users to manage recovery processes



# Additional resources

The AIOps for IBM Z framework and solutions will help determine the next best step

## Website

- [AIOps for IBM Z](#)

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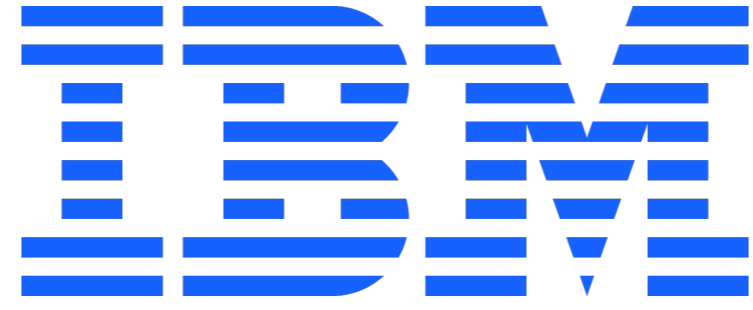
- Stay informed by joining [the AIOps on IBM Z community](#)

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