



Functional programming and Nix

for reproducible, immutable infrastructure



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Agenda

Nix

Functions and packaging

Functions and operating systems

Development shells

Docker without Dockerfiles

Nix

Functional programming for infrastructure

Nix

History

Support

Alternatives

Use cases

History

Functions: same input, same output **12th century**

“Nix: A Safe and Policy-Free System for Software Deployment” Eelco Dolstra **2004**

“NixOS: A Purely Functional Linux Distribution” Eelco Dolstra **2008**

I started using it **2014**



Nix

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Support

Nix, programming language

Nix, package manager

- Linux
- macOS
- WSL & WSL2

NixOS, Linux operating system

NixOps, deployment tool



Nix



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Alternatives

Divergent

Manual configuration

Shell scripts

apt, yum, pacman

Convergent

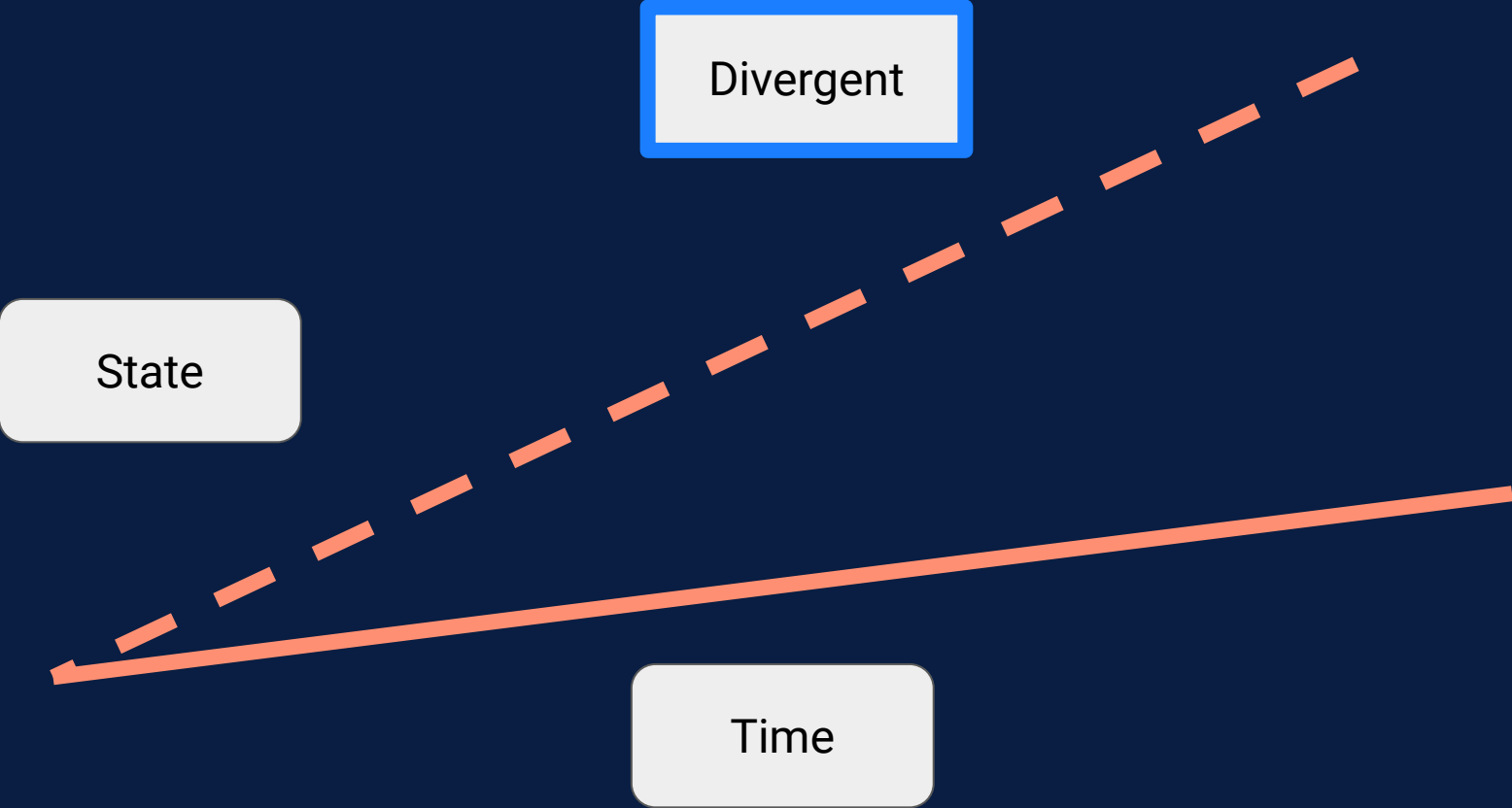
Puppet, Chef, Ansible

Congruent

Docker

Guix

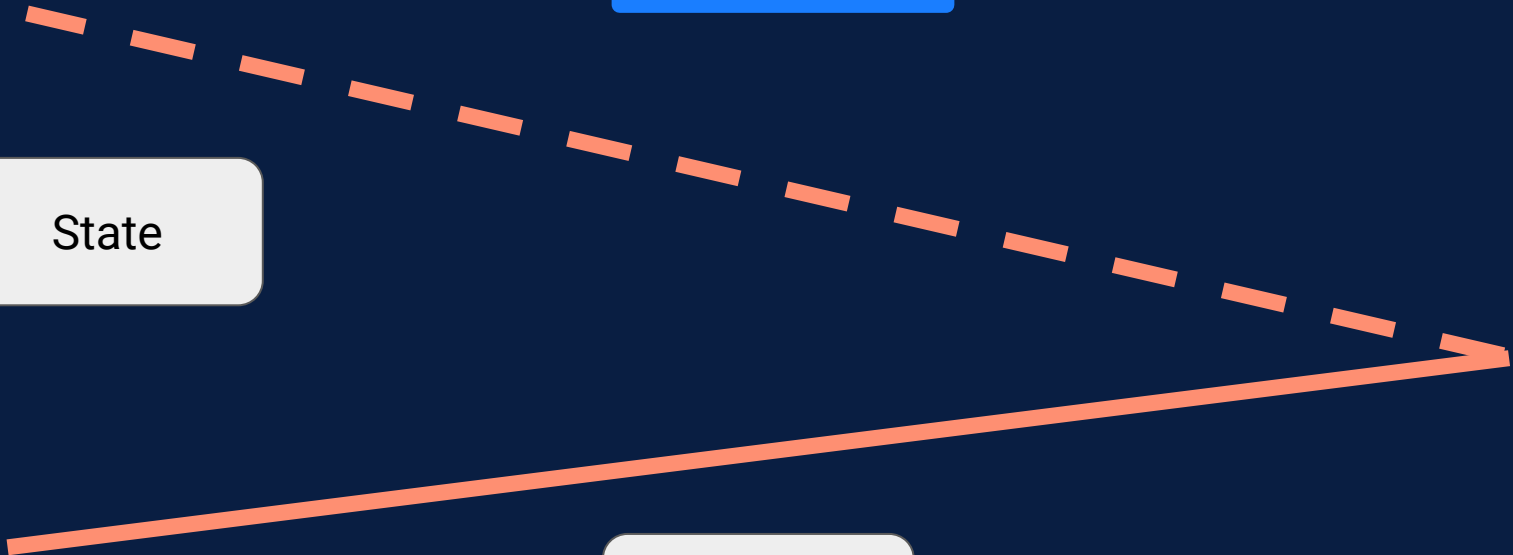




Convergent

State

Time



Congruent

State

Time



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Use cases

- Cross-compiling
- Virtual machines (Linux, Windows)
- Automated GUI/service tests
- chroot environments
- Appliance packages
- RPM and Deb packages
- Continuous integration
- **Development shells**
- **Docker images**



Package management

As functions

**Package
management**

Packages

Expressions

Derivations

Outputs

Package

Build inputs

Dependencies

Sources

Configuration

Build outputs

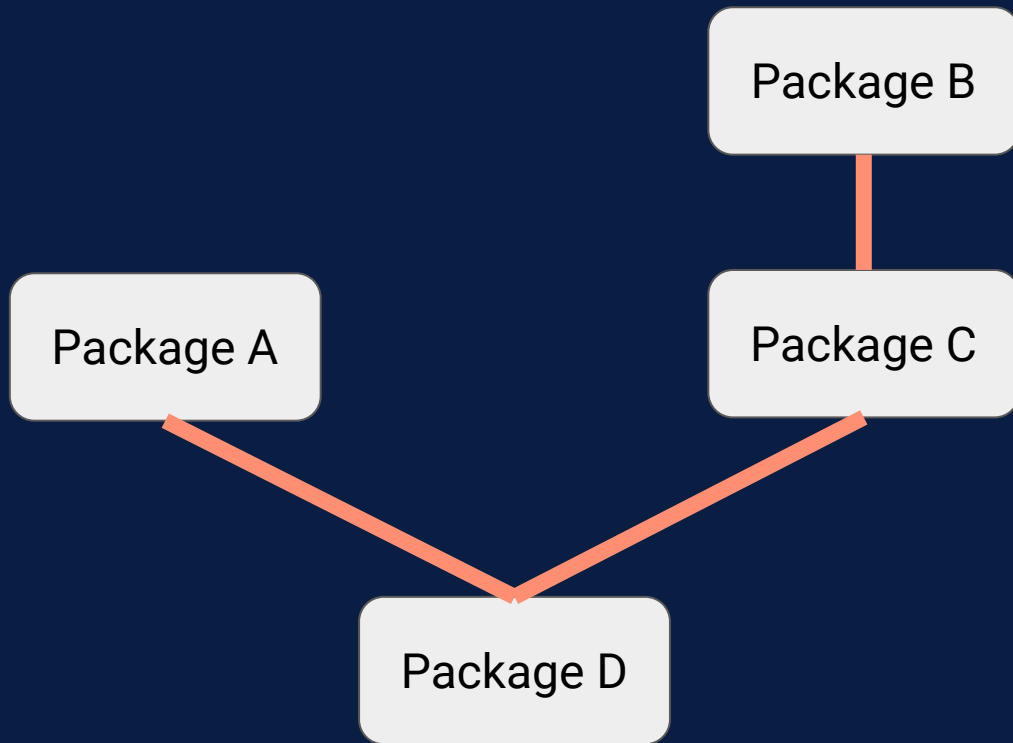
Artifacts

Build definitions

Steps to create artifact from inputs



- Dependencies
- Build steps
- Artifact



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Expressions

Nix programming language only has expressions

Build inputs are values

Use functions to define the steps



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Outputs

```
mkDerivation {  
  name = "hello-file";  
  buildCommand = "  
    echo 'Hello world' > $out  
  ";  
}
```

Package management

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```
mkDerivation {  
  name = "hello-file";  
  buildInputs = [ hello ];  
  buildCommand = "  
    hello > $out  
  ";  
}
```

Package management

Packages

Expressions

Derivations

Outputs

```
runCommand "hello-file" {  
  buildInputs = [ hello ];  
} "hello > $out"
```

Package
management

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Derivations

A tree representing the build to run

No more functions, only serialised values

nix-instantiate



Package management

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Derivations

Outputs

```
$ nix-instantiate hello-file.nix  
/nix/store/sn8i-hello-file.drv
```

Package management



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Expressions

Derivations

Outputs

```
"outputs": {  
  "out": {  
    "path": "/nix/store/jr4s-hello-file"  
  }  
}  
  
"inputSrcs": [  
  "/nix/store/9krl-default-builder.sh"  
]
```

Package management

Packages

Expressions

Derivations

Outputs

```
"inputDrvs": {  
  "/nix/store/5gpb-stdenv-linux.drv": [  
    "out"  
  ],  
  "/nix/store/ccna-bash-4.4-p23.drv": [  
    "out"  
  ],  
  "/nix/store/sddw-hello-2.10.drv": [  
    "out"  
  ]  
}
```

Package management

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Derivations

Outputs

```
"platform": "x86_64-linux"
```

```
"builder":
```

```
"/nix/store/b9p7-bash-4.4-p23/bin/bash"
```

```
"args": [
```

```
  "-e",
```

```
  "/nix/store/9krl-default-builder.sh"
```

```
]
```


Package management

Packages

Expressions

Derivations

Outputs

```
"env": {  
  "buildCommand": "hello > $out",  
  "buildInputs": "/nix/store/gdh8-hello-2.10",  
  "builder":  
    "/nix/store/b9p7-bash-4.4-p23/bin/bash",  
  "name": "hello-file",  
  "out": "/nix/store/jr4s-hello-file",  
  "outputs": "out",  
  "passAsFile": "buildCommand",  
  "stdenv": "/nix/store/r23m-stdenv-linux",  
  "system": "x86_64-linux"  
}
```

Package
management

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Outputs

Files stored at hash of the derivation

Purity is same derivation should give same output

Can be checked for purity by building many times

Or we can use a chroot

Caching builds becomes trivial

nix-store --realise



Package management

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Derivations

Outputs

```
$ nix-store --realise /nix/store/sn8i-hello-file.drv  
/nix/store/jr4s-hello-file
```

```
$ cat /nix/store/jr4s-hello-file  
Hello, world!
```

Operating systems

As functions

Operating systems

Configuration

Generations

```
{  
  services.openssh.enable = true;  
  virtualisation.docker.enable = true;  
  
  users.extraUsers.brian = {  
    uid = 1000;  
    extraGroups = [ "wheel" "docker" ];  
  };  
}
```

Operation
systems

Configuration

Generations

Generations

If we change configuration we build a new *profile*

A profile contains kernel, systemd configuration, /etc files and a directory to be placed on \$PATH

Profiles are registered as generations

Old generations can be collected

Generations are shown at boot



```
NixOS (Generation 24 NixOS 18.03.132597.9df3c53f38b, Linux Kernel 4.14.47, Bu
NixOS (Generation 25 NixOS 18.03.132597.9df3c53f38b, Linux Kernel 4.14.47, Bu
NixOS (Generation 26 NixOS 18.03.132597.9df3c53f38b, Linux Kernel 4.14.47, Bu
NixOS (Generation 27 NixOS 18.03.132597.9df3c53f38b, Linux Kernel 4.14.47, Bu
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NixOS (Generation 32 NixOS 18.03.132597.9df3c53f38b, Linux Kernel 4.14.47, Bu
NixOS (Generation 33 NixOS 18.03.132597.9df3c53f38b, Linux Kernel 4.14.47, Bu
EFI Default Loader
Reboot Into Firmware Interface
```

Development shells

Using functions

Development shells

Usage

Configuration

```
$ nix-shell -p python
```

```
$$ which python
```

```
/nix/store/8818-python-2.7.11/bin/python
```

```
$ cd myproject
```

```
$ nix-shell
```

```
## install direnv
```

```
$ cd myproject
```

Development shells

Usage

Configuration

```
mkDerivation {
  name = "amkt-env";
  buildInputs = [
    nodejs-8_x
    yarn
    jdk
    which
    curl
    git
    flow
  ] ++ optionals isLinux [ firefox ];
}
```

Docker as functions

No Dockerfiles

Docker as functions

Dockerfile

Nix

```
FROM alpine
```

```
RUN apk add --update cowsay
```

```
CMD ["/bin/cowsay", "hello"]
```

```
EXPOSE 8080
```

Docker as
functions

Dockerfile

Nix

Dockerfile

What's the version of Cowsay?

What's the version of Perl?

What's the version of libc?

What's the version of Alpine?



Docker as functions

Dockerfile

Nix

```
dockerTools.buildImage {  
  name = "cowsay-hello";  
  contents = [ cowsay ];  
  fromImage = alpine;  
  config = {  
    Cmd = [ "/bin/cowsay" "hello" ];  
    ExposedPorts = {  
      "8080/tcp" = {};  
    };  
  };  
};  
}
```



Functional infra

One tool for CI, dev and prod.
Known versions of everything.
All reproducible.



Thank you!



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Functions

Simplicity

Reuse

Simplicity

Same inputs always give same output

Can always inline and extract expressions

Evaluation is substitution



Functions

Simplicity

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Reuse

If we see same code, we can always extract it out

Using code is just using functions





Agenda

Agenda item 1

Agenda item 2

Agenda item 3

Agenda item 4

Agenda item 5

Agenda item 6

Agenda

Highlight sections

As you introduce them

Hold **shift** and drag the bar

Use **Distribute** tools

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Delete the
circles



Of other
agenda items



As you
highlight



Each of
them

Chapter Titles

Chapter subtitles should be two lines or less

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super awesome things

CONTEXT

**This is a big statement slide.
Use dark background for bolder
points.**

CONTEXT

**This is a big statement slide.
Use dark background for bolder
points.**

**This is a big statement slide.
Use light background for
lighter points.**

**This is a big statement slide.
Use dark background for bolder
points.**

**THIS IS A BIG STATEMENT
SLIDE OPTION FOR
EXTRA-STRONG MESSAGES**

**THERE'S A FEW DIFFERENT
COLOR OPTIONS TO WORK
WITH FOR EMPHASIS**

USE THESE SPARINGLY.
AND CONSISTENTLY WITHIN
A COMMUNICATION PIECE.

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Likely will be from a site, book,
talk, etc.**

Source Book, Source Author, Other Relevant Info

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“

**This is a quote slide.
Keep it tweetable.**

AUTHOR

“

**If you can't explain it
simply, you don't
understand it well enough.**

ALBERT EINSTEIN

ONE SIDE

**Use when
explaining
two sides of
a point**

THE OTHER SIDE

**Can be used
as pro/con,
hypothesis/
finding, etc.**

ONE SIDE

List out

**The qualities
of the two**

Different sides

Use another

Slide type

If you want to point out

The similarities

THE OTHER SIDE

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Big statement with support

Talking point

Supporting info for talking point.
Use no more than two lines.

Talking point

Manage audience focus by placing
bar beneath talking point.

Talking point

Stay consistent with using the
light or dark throughout the related
big statement.

Big statement with support

Spacing

Hold down *Shift* to drag when moving the bar to make sure it stays properly aligned.

Please remember

Using a lot of text on slides is like reading your notes to your ~~audience~~. Not presenting.

Less is more

If you don't need any of the points, don't use them. We don't believe in filler, baby!

Deeper info
slide title

Bold text

Normal text

Move marker

Change text style

Talking point

This is arguably the most text that should ever be on one of your presentation slides.

Are they here to read or be engaged?

Don't ask your audience to read/listen to your notes and call it a presentation. Can send them a document.

Don't need a third point?

Go ahead and delete!

Code sample with headers



Bold text

Normal text

Move marker

Change text style

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  },  
  "name": { "value": "Page Approvals" },  
  "key": "byline-item",  
  "url":  
  "/approvals?contentId={content.id}"  
  }  
]
```


CONTEXT

Use illustrations from the Graphic Assets Deck to support point.



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**Keep your
big points
short &
sweet**



Talking point

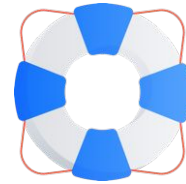
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Talking point



Illustrations

Utilize spot illustrations from our design site.



Separators

Use minimal grey bar to separate points/illustrations.

Talking point



Usage

These slides have proven to be versatile in use.



Remember

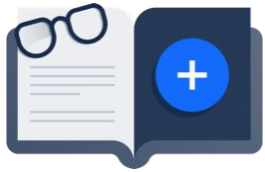
Keep the text light and focus on presenting your points.



Don't Obsess

The illustrations need only to hint at your point.

Talking point



Headline 3

Subtext type size is optimized at 14 pt.



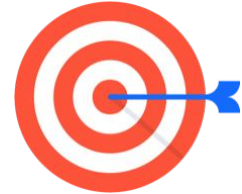
Rehearse

Rely on rehearsing your voiceover rather than writing.



Focus

Use 4 points maximum to keep focus.



No worries

It's OK if the subtext lengths differ.



Before

Use to discuss points about how something worked before.



After

Celebrate how fantastic things are now that you've implemented changes.

**Short title,
2 lines max**

Point 1

Point 2

Point 3

Point 4

Talking point

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Illustrations > text

Use illustrations to represent ideas rather than always relying on text.



Talking point

Reinforcement of a big idea - use no more than two lines of text here.



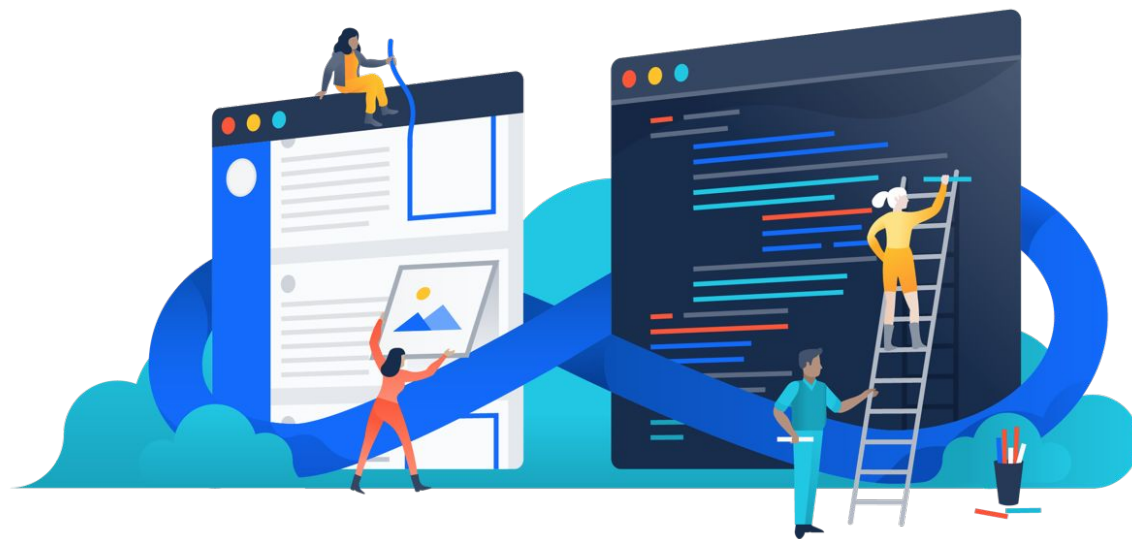
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  },  
  {  
    "name": { "value": "Page Approvals" },  
    "key": "byline-item",  
    "url":  
    "/approvals?contentId={content.id}"  
  }  
]
```

Large visual with title



Blank with title

Icon with text



Icons

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Check back

We'll let you know when there are updates to our custom icon set.

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Point 1

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Point 2

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Point 3

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Point 4

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Icon with text



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**We use a 50%
transparency N900 box
over a full-bleed photo
when using text overlays**



Use a white gradient
on light photos to
create enough
contrast for your text

With the gradient object selected,
under *Format Shape / Shape
Options / Fill* you'll find more
options to control the gradient.

With the gradient object selected, under *Format Shape / Shape Options / Fill* you'll find more options to control the gradient.

Use a dark gradient on dark photos to create enough contrast for your text



Use a
transparent
overlay over a
full-width photo

Place this column
wherever it makes
sense on the photo.
Select all and then
deselect the photo.
Hold *Shift* and
move.





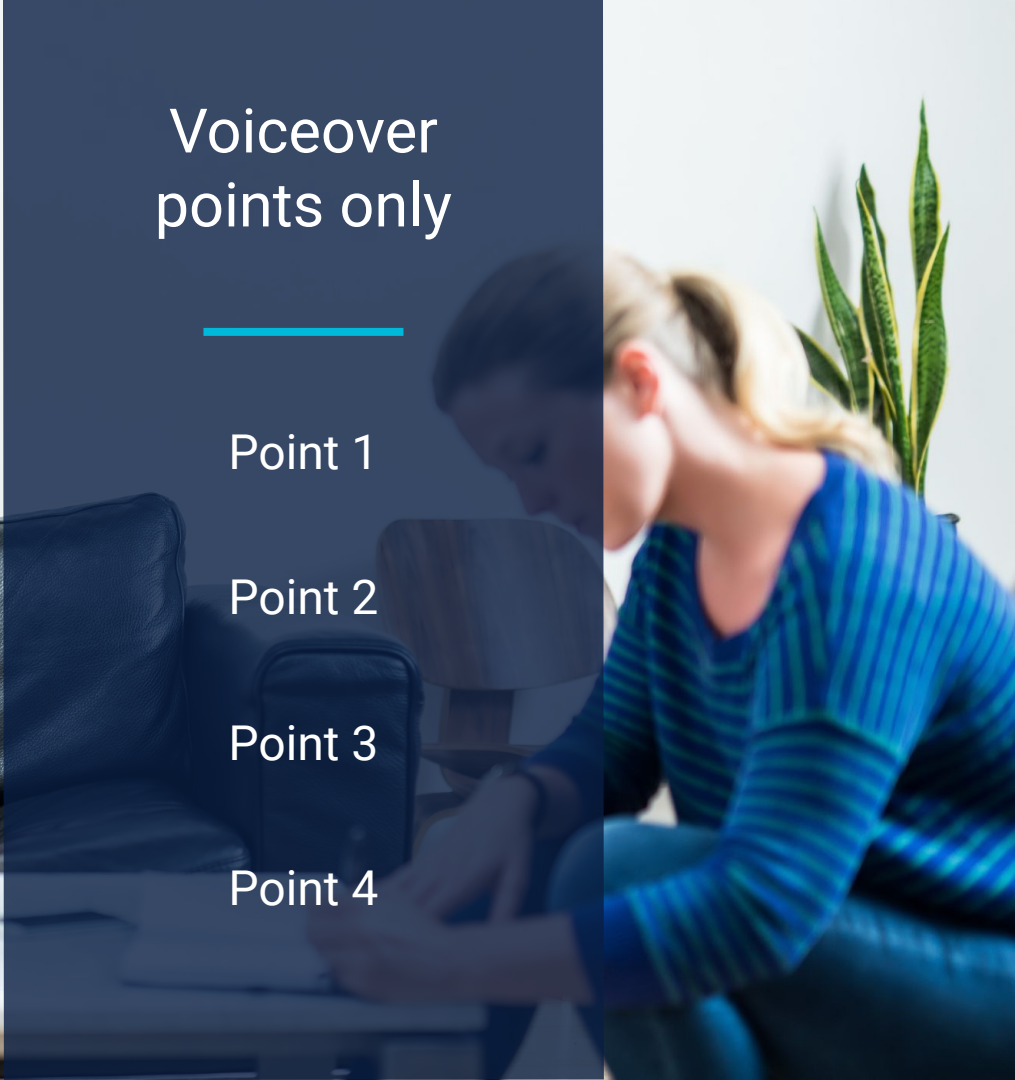
Voiceover points only

Point 1

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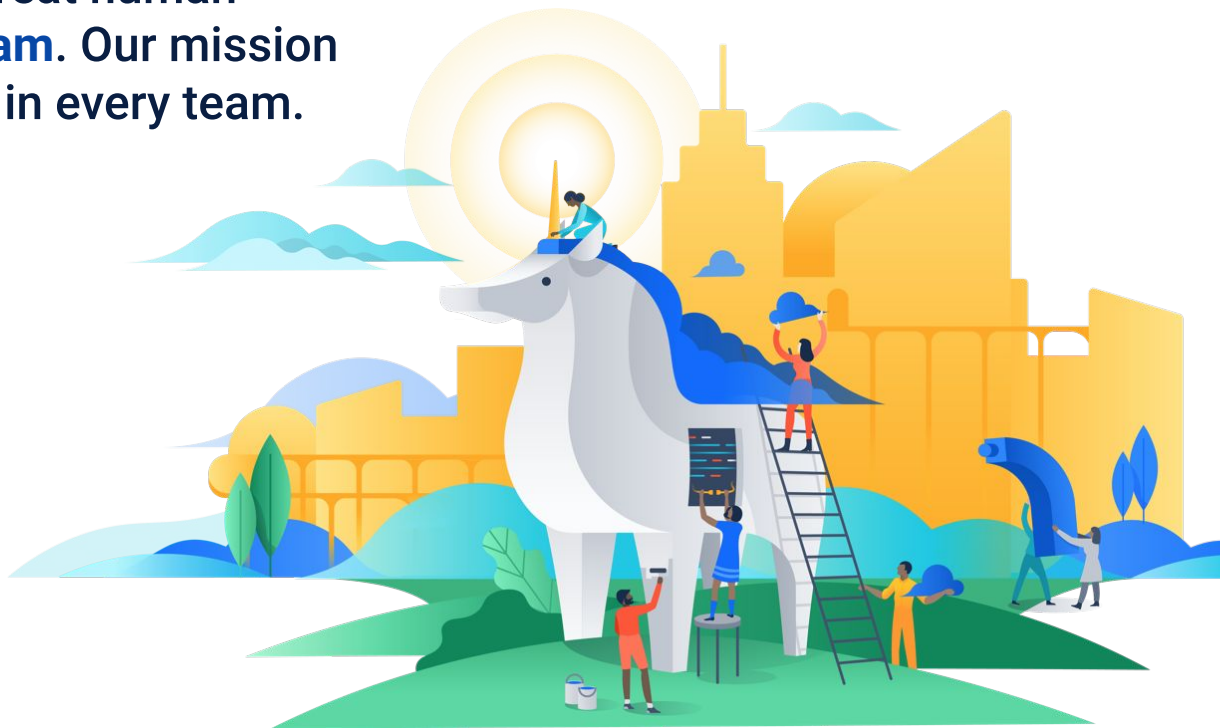


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Mission and Values overview – please do not change

OUR MISSION

We believe behind every great human achievement, there is a **team**. Our mission is to unleash the potential in every team.



OUR MISSION

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Atlassian Values

They guide what we do, why we create, and who we hire.



**Open company,
no bullshit**



**Play,
as a team**



**Build with heart &
balance**

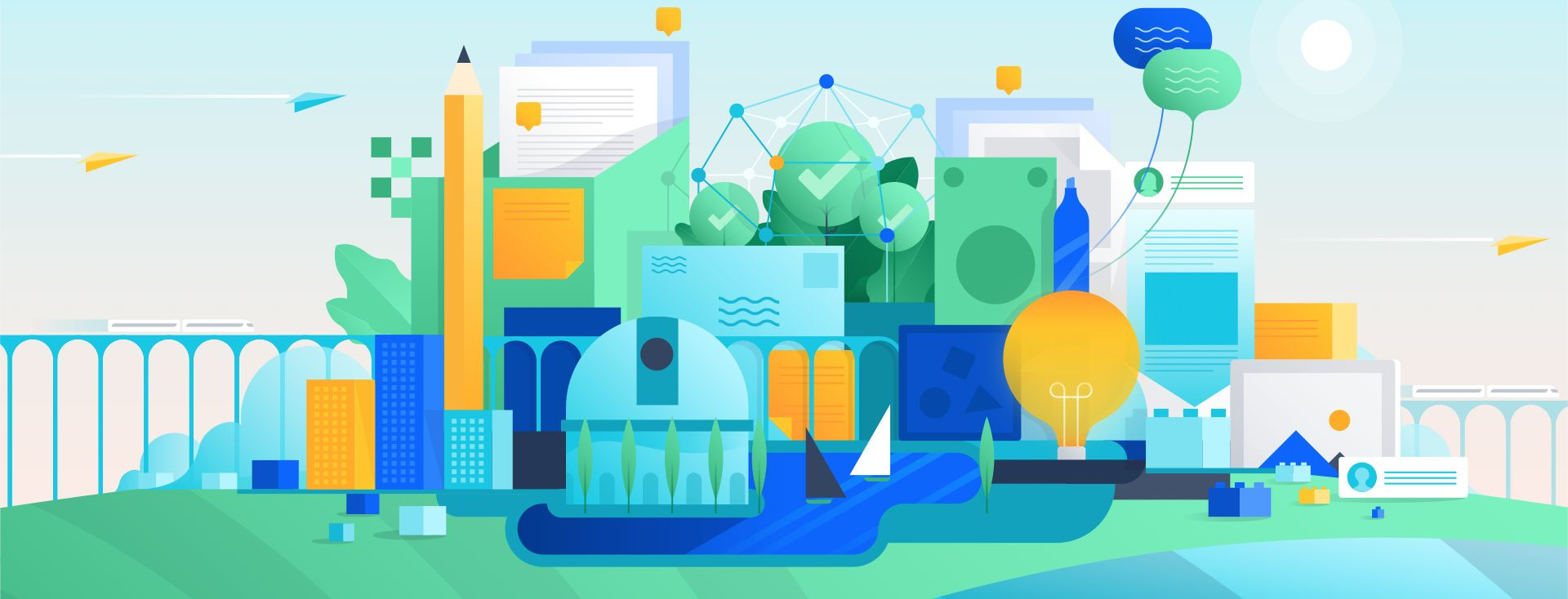


**Be the change
you seek**



**Don't #@!%
the customer**

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Shipt

24 hours to innovate.
It's like 20% time.
On steroids.



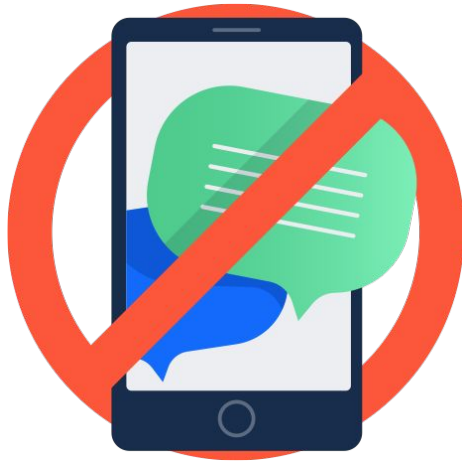
Foundation

We created the Atlassian Foundation with the vision of helping make the world better.



Giving Back

As a company, we contribute 1% of annual profits, 1% of employee time, and 1% of company equity to the foundation.



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