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Evernote: How to Tame an Elephant - Backend Edition

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Abstract. After acquiring a decade-old, sprawling codebase, we faced the challenge of making it reliable and maintainable. This talk focuses on the lessons learned from working on Evernote that can be applied to other projects, as well as the expertise we brought to the table and applied to Evernote. We'll dive into concrete examples of how to manage a complex, evolving software system while maintaining a positive developer experience for all stakeholders. The focus will be on the DevOps side of software engineering, highlighting strategies that have significantly improved our day-to-day operations. Whether you're a software engineer interested in the technical intricacies, or more focused on how engineering decisions impact a product and its users, you'll gain valuable insights and practical patterns that can be applied broadly.