

YOUR RECOVERY BOUNDARY IS SMALLER THAN YOUR SERVICE

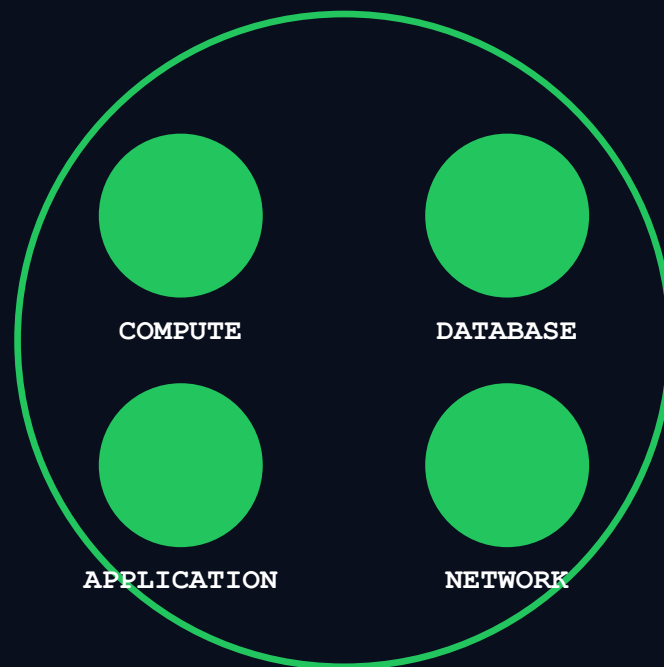
The System Recovered. Your Recovery Boundary Didn't.



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Recovery boundary $\approx$ infrastructure you own

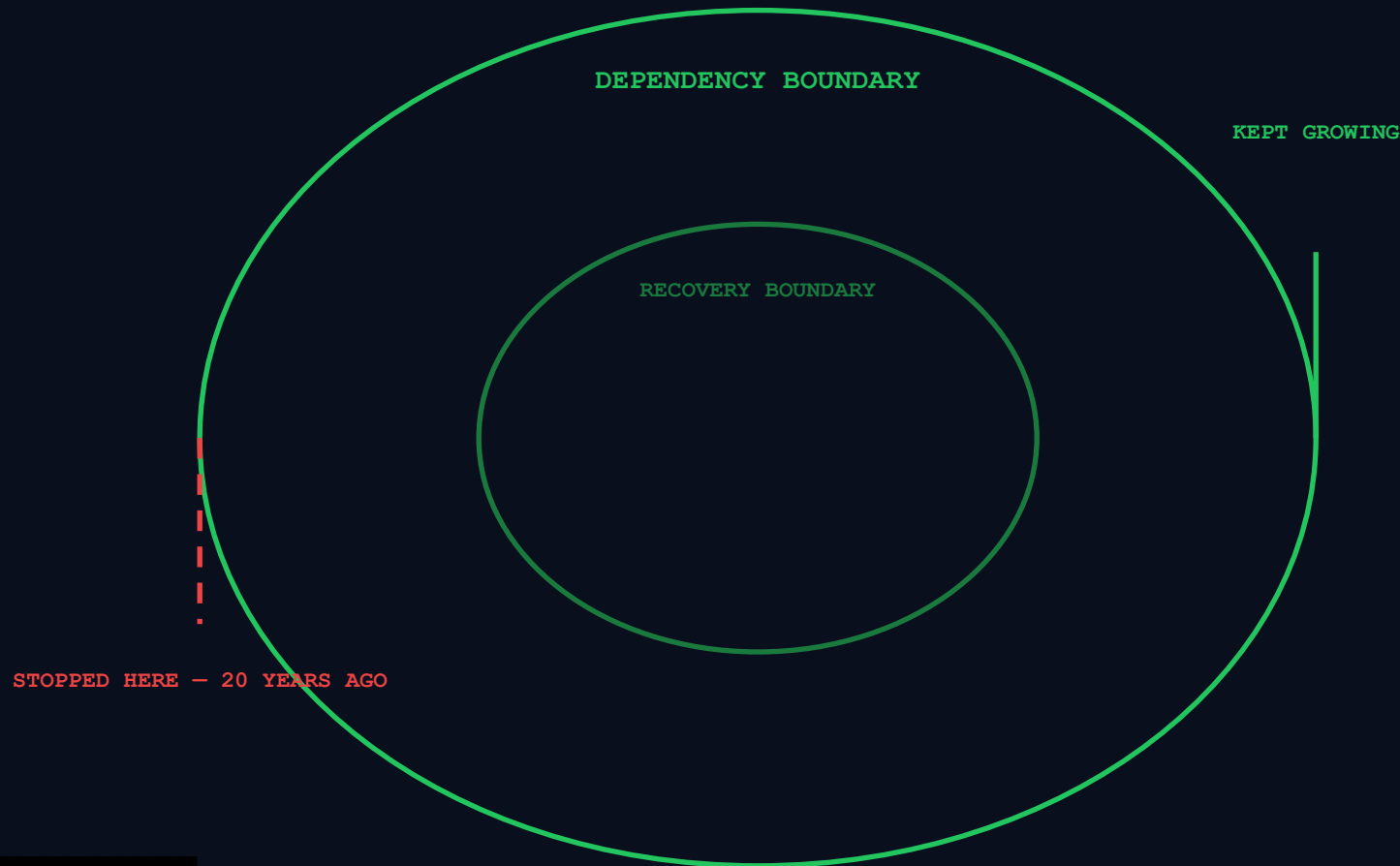


For twenty years, what you owned and what you depended on were the same line.

The service crosses dependencies you don't own



Dependency boundary expanded. Recovery boundary didn't.



THE SYSTEM RECOVERED. THE SERVICE STILL DIDN'T.



Restored. Booted. Logged in. Still down — because the dependency that permits operation was never inside the recovery plan.

What must exist for this service to actually operate?

- ☒ Can it be restored?
- ☒ Can it authenticate?
- ☒ Can it resolve its dependencies?
- ☐ Can it reach required control planes?
- ☐ Can it operate if those dependencies fail?
- ☐ Can the same team recover both?

EXCLUDING THE DEPENDENCY DOESN'T MAKE IT DISAPPEAR

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