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AUTOMATION
IS A JOURNEY

Strategic steps to implementing effective IT automation

With more complexity comes more toil. And with more toil, less bandwidth for strategic business activity. The answer? Automation.
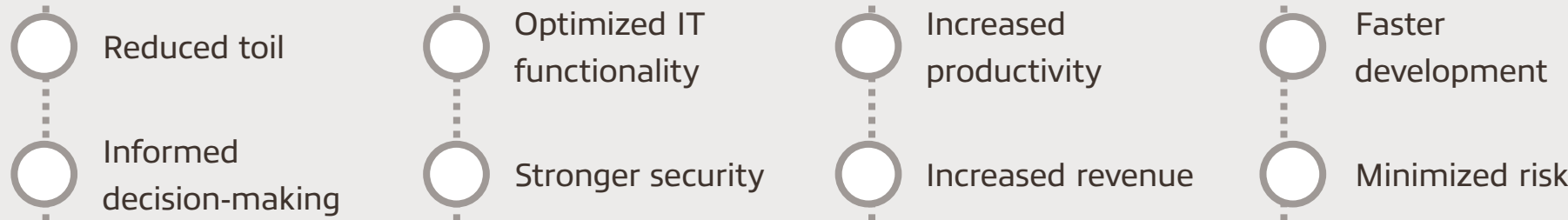
Automating time-consuming tasks with repeatable, scalable processes relieves teams of toil. But you can't jump into automation headfirst. Make your path to automation more productive — start here.

Why to automate

IT automation simplifies internal processes and refocuses resources on more important tasks.

- ✓ Reduce complexity.
- ✓ Eliminate human error.
- ✓ Improve collaboration.

The results of IT automation add incredible potential for driving business value over time.

- Reduced toil
- Optimized IT functionality
- Increased productivity
- Faster development
- Informed decision-making
- Stronger security
- Increased revenue
- Minimized risk

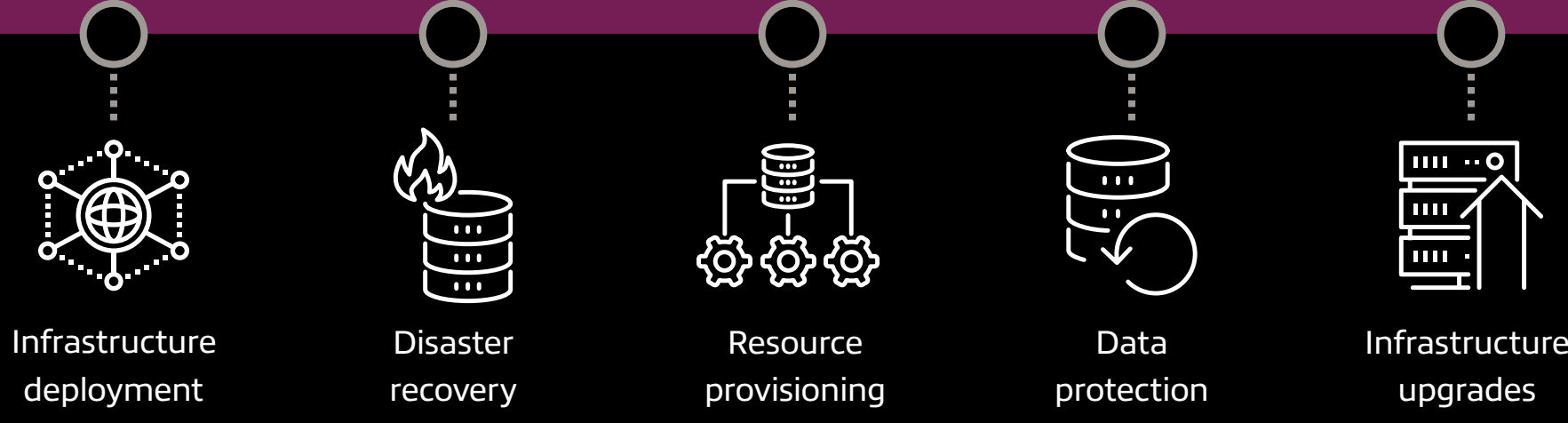## Where to automate

62% of IT leaders say their organization is pursuing IT process automation in 2022.

Top IT automation focus areas

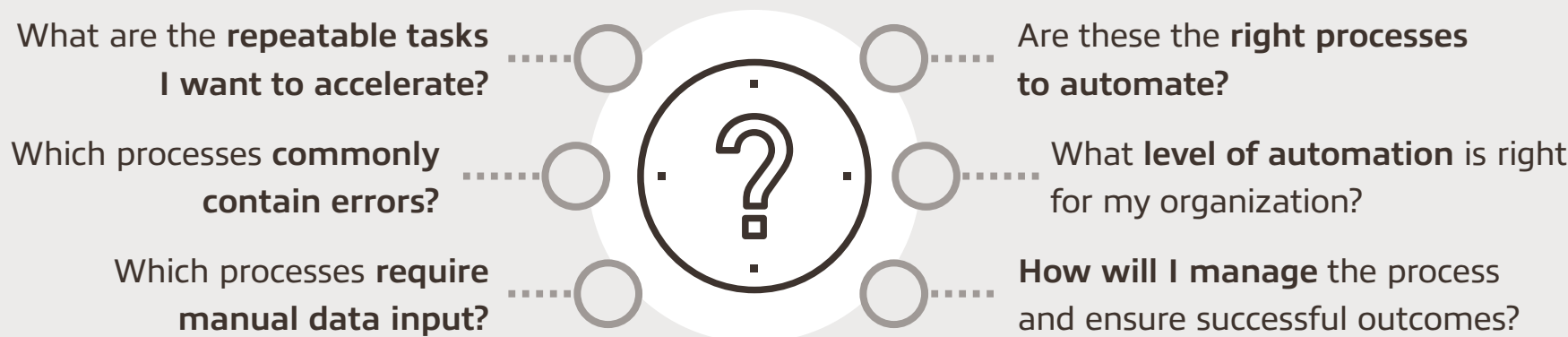- Infrastructure deployment
- Disaster recovery
- Resource provisioning
- Data protection
- Infrastructure upgrades

Possibilities to consider

- Automate IT processes for **labor efficiencies and cost savings.**
- Pair Artificial Intelligence (AI) with automation **for innovation.**
- Automate security alerts and threat responses **to improve overall security posture.**
- Coordinate automated tasks **into a cohesive process or workflow using orchestration.**
- Automate hybrid cloud deployment **to eliminate technology silos and improve integration.**

How to automate

Start with the right questions.

- What are the **repeatable tasks I want to accelerate?**
- Are these the **right processes to automate?**
- Which processes **commonly contain errors?**
- What **level of automation** is right for my organization?
- Which processes **require manual data input?**
- **How will I manage** the process and ensure successful outcomes?

Follow these best practices.

1. Review your processes.
Conduct a complete review of your existing processes to begin identifying where automation fits in your organization. Automating the wrong processes can add risk and reduce ROI.

2. Map out your long-term vision.
Properly aligning people and processes with a vision for long-term automation success is key to starting strong.

3. Start small.
Trying to execute a complete infrastructure automation initiative off the bat is not going to be the best use of resources.

4. Get buy-in.
Don't forget people are as important as processes — for success, you'll need employee buy-in and the skills necessary to execute.

5. Break down silos.
Be sure to break down operational and cultural silos, making sure that automation projects align efficiently across departments.

6. Rely on the right tools and partners.
Make your efforts stronger by ensuring that you have the necessary resources on hand and are working with the right tools and partners for your journey.

Automate with the best.

Automation platform solutions help organizations create, execute and manage automation, simply. **Here are some benefits that clients have realized:**

- **667%** 5-year ROI
- **30%** more efficient IT infrastructure management
- **30%** more efficient IT security teams
- **76%** reduction in unplanned downtime

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Insight for automation

The market is full of solutions, but the key to long-term success is strategic adoption — understanding when and how to leverage certain platforms. **Insight's expertise delivering automation across a wide range of options helps organizations achieve the best possible results.**

Working with Insight for automation lets you:

- Avoid potential backpedaling.
- Ensure maximum speed and ROI.
- Simplify initiatives with a single point of contact.

Start your automation journey — let Insight show you how.

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