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**Secure Your Supply Chain: Adding a Software
Bill of Materials to Your Containers to Improve
Vulnerability Scanning**



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As an addendum to "delete happy talk" don't spend a lot of time introducing yourself / your topic in presentations. Nobody cares. BEGIN.

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Agenda



00

Types of attacks and why software supply chain attacks are different

01

Why container visibility is important

02

What an SBOM is and what it does

03

How to further secure your containers



Attack Types

Everything old is new again.

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Mike Mearls
@mikemearls



Two things I learned in 2018:

1. Don't ask people what they do for a living. Ask what keeps them busy. That lets people talk about what's really important to them.
2. Don't use analogies to explain things. You won't get far explaining something by making it into something else.

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Douglas Haig

“Bullets have little stopping power against the horse” (1914)

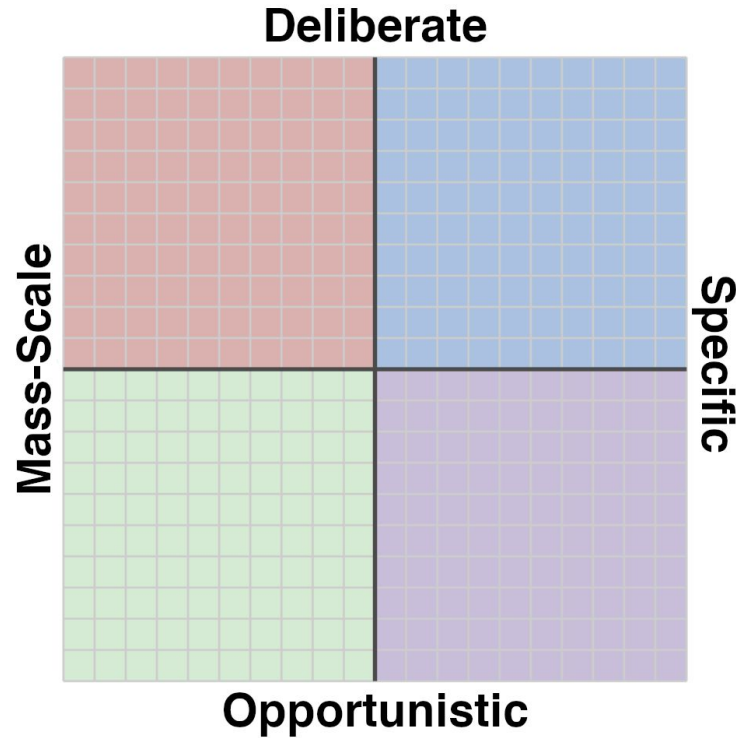
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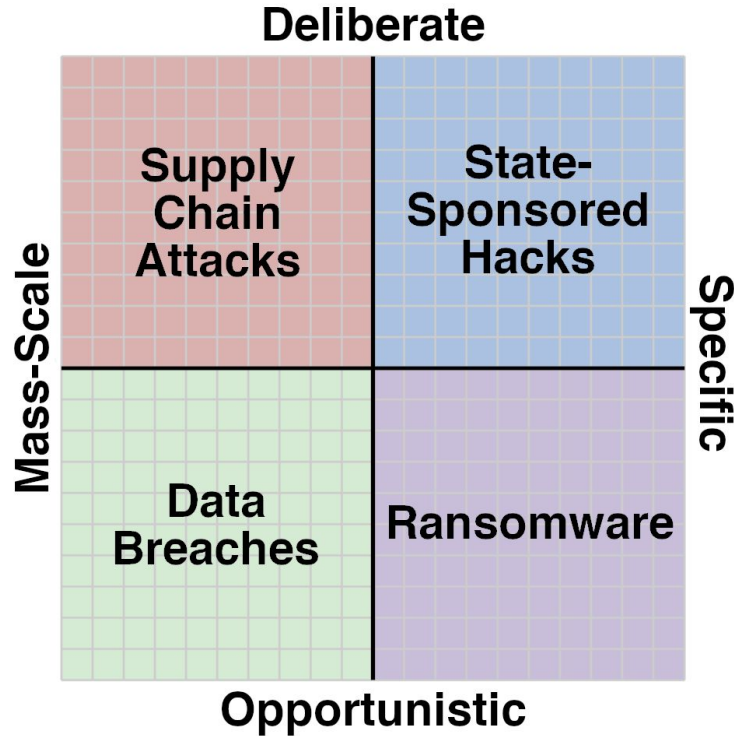
haha machnine gun go brrrrr

**NOOOOOOO!!!! YOU CAN'T DEPLOY
MILES AND MILES OF BARBED WIRE
AND USE EXTREMELY ACCURATE, HIGH-
POWERED AUTOMATIC RIFLES!!! I HAVE
INVESTED A TON OF TIME AND EFFORT
INTO TRAINING THESE CAVALRINOS!!!**

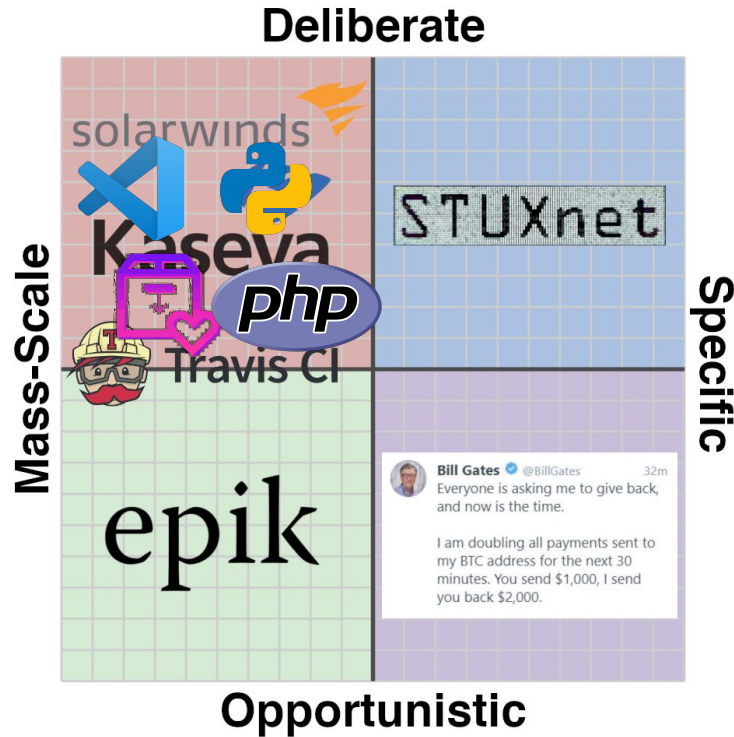
Types of Attacks



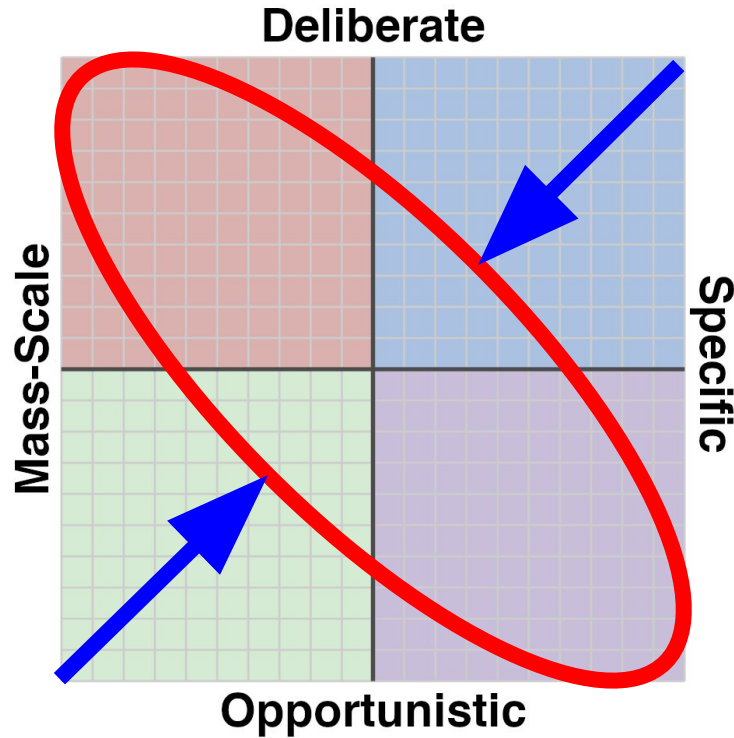
Types of Attacks



Types of Attacks: Examples



"It Won't Happen to Me"



An iceberg floating in the ocean. The tip of the iceberg is above the water line, and the much larger base is submerged. The sky is blue with light clouds. The water is a deep blue. The iceberg is white and blue. The text is overlaid on the iceberg.

CodeCov
SolarWinds

Software suppliers

60% contain
high risk vulnerabilities

Open source

makes up 75%
of applications

Risk in the Software Supply Chain

Attackers are
targeting here

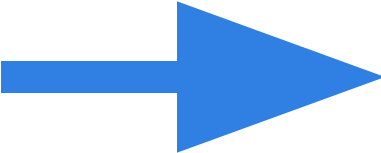
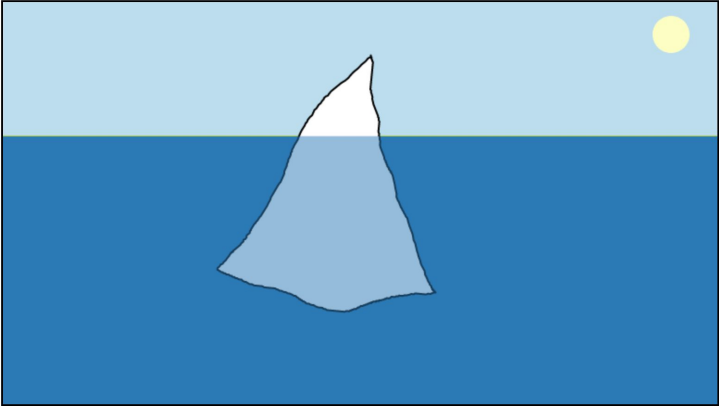


WRONG

Iceberger

Draw an iceberg and see how it will float.

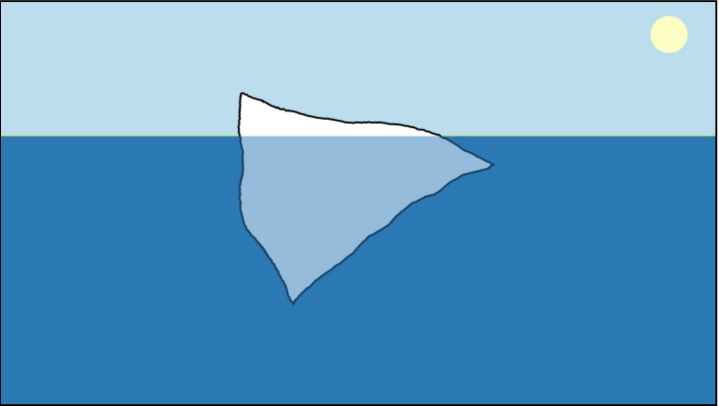
(Inspired by a [tweet by @GlacialMeg](#))



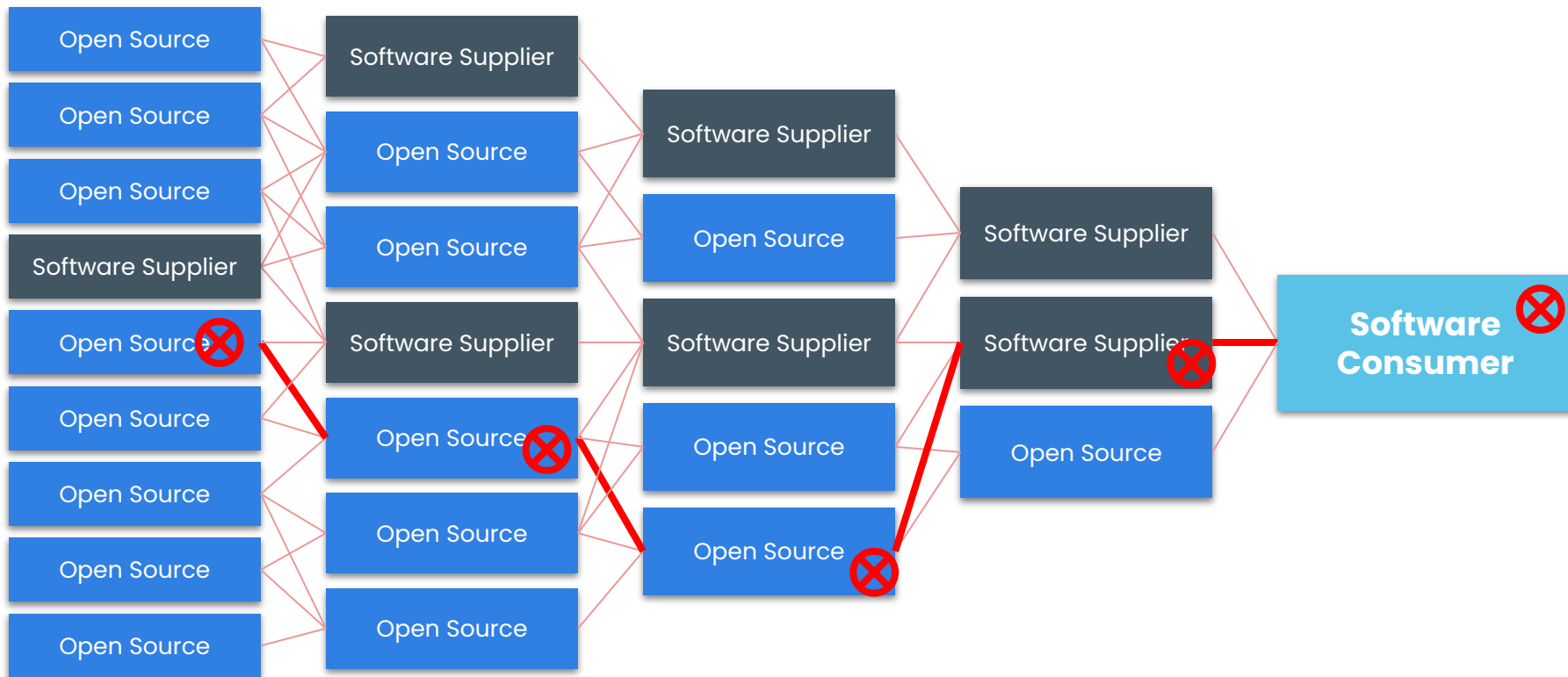
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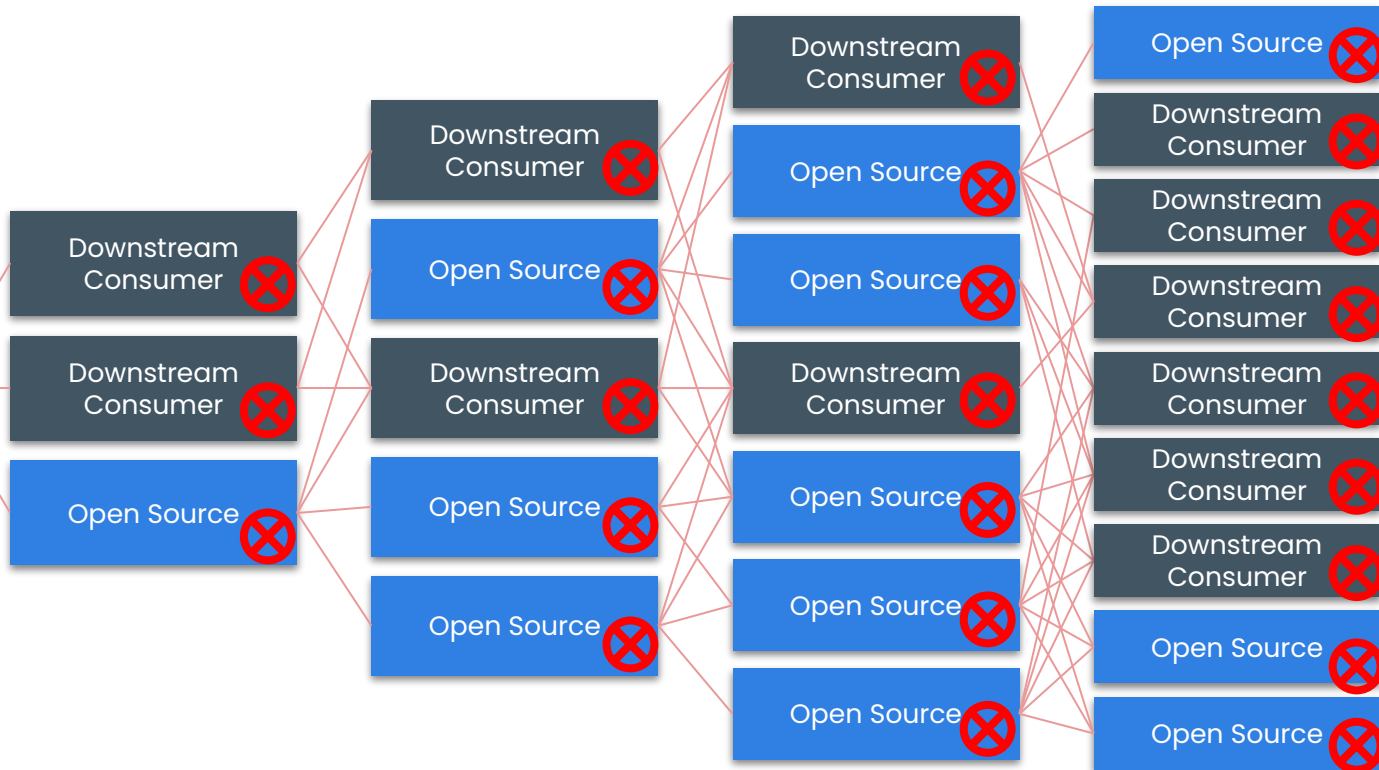
Software Supply Chain: The Problem



The Reverse Funnel



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Compromised Package ❌





What's in this Image?

Knowing is half the battle.

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Dan Kaminsky 

@dakami



Amateurs think about vulnerabilities, professionals think about vectors.

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Beyond CVEs: Overlooked Vectors



01

Software Vulnerabilities

Known vulnerabilities affecting software components that containers and applications depend on - OS packages, direct application dependencies.

02

Malware and Trojan Horses

Malicious code injected into regular application executables during the build process.

03

Software Overrides

Attacks that result in unintentional versions of (typically) dependencies being installed. Name-squatting, max version attacks, typosquatting.

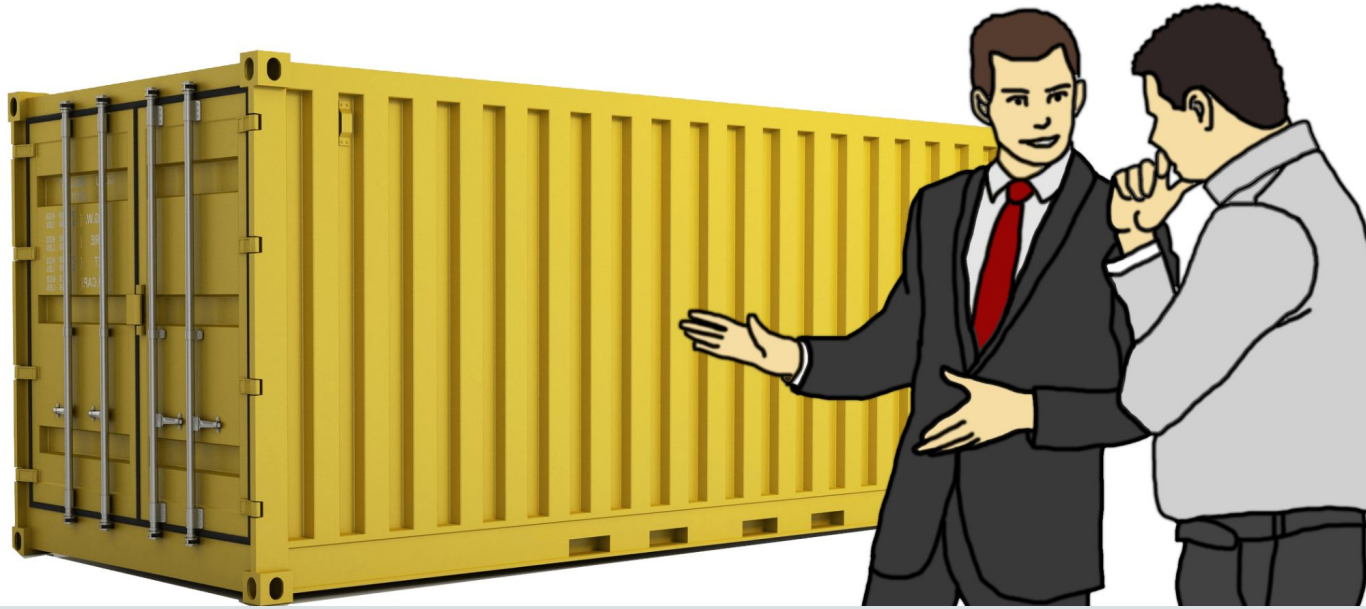
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Credentials

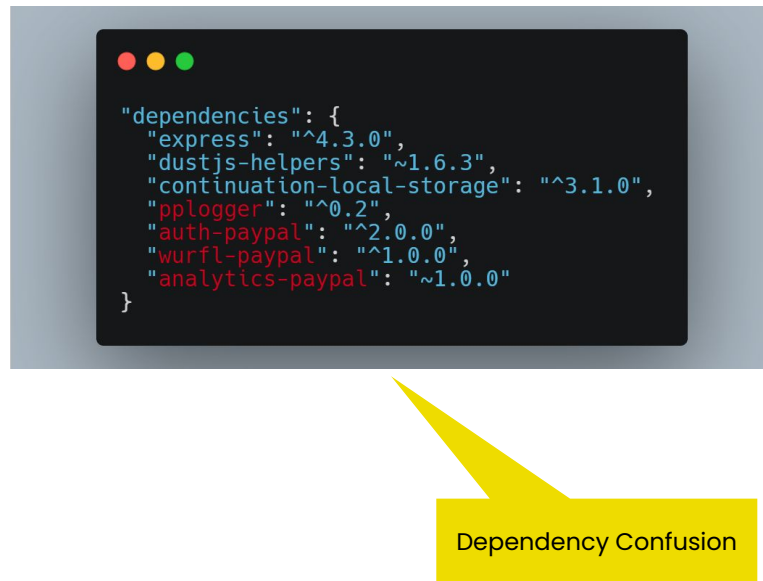
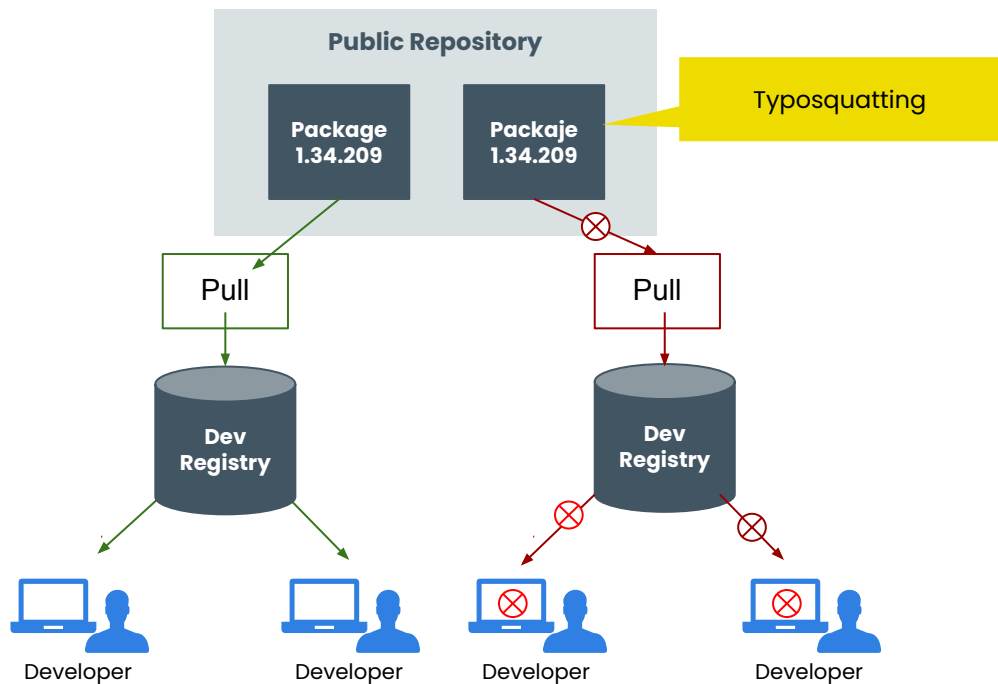
Unintentional inclusion of dev or prod secrets, keys, or other credentials accidentally included in the container.

Software vulnerabilities (often reported as CVEs) are critical to detect and report, but many other build-time attack vectors must also be considered.

***slaps roof of container* this bad boy
can fit so many supply chain attacks in it**



Know What You're Getting

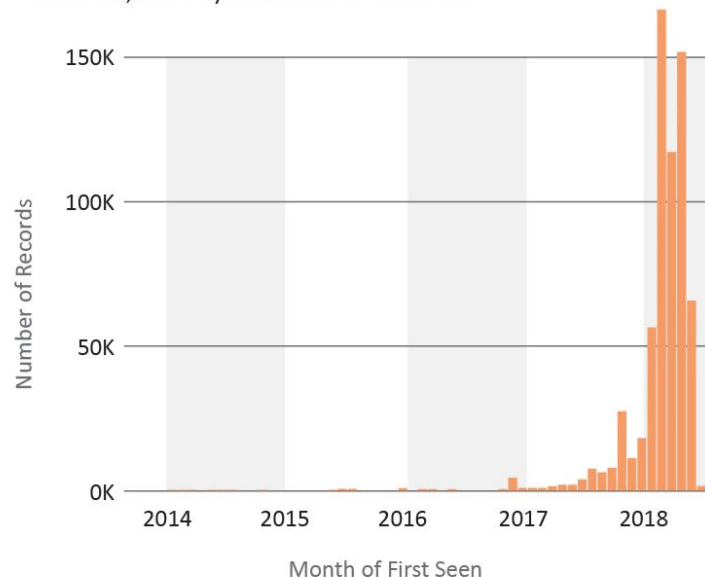


What Is Cryptomining?



- Malware that infects computers, turning them into zombies used to mine for cryptocurrency without the users knowledge
- Steadily on the rise since 2017
- A prevalent form of attack in misconfigured Kubernetes clusters
- Two well-known attacks:
 - Kubeflow
 - ArgoCD

Figure 1. Cryptocurrency Mining Malware Detections from 2014-2018, courtesy of several CTA members



Illicit Cryptocurrency Mining Threat White Paper - Cyber Threat Alliance

What is Image Typosquatting?



- Humans make mistakes, there is no spell check when pulling images
 - ngniz:latest,
 - postgress:latest,
 - mysql:latest
- Typosquatting can be combined with cryptomining by hiding miners in a misspelled name or tag
- And yes, this really does happen...

“Typosquatting and credential stuffing are two of the most common ways attackers try to target companies’ container infrastructure and the Docker-image supply chain. Attacks are up nearly 600% in H2 2020 compared with the same period a year ago.”

DARKReading

What is Registry/Repository Poisoning?



Image



- Registry and/or Repository Poisoning is when an attacker plants a malicious image in the victim's registry or repository
- Registry/Repository Poisoning is particularly effective if the image appears benign. This can then easily proliferate throughout your environment

Addressing the Problem





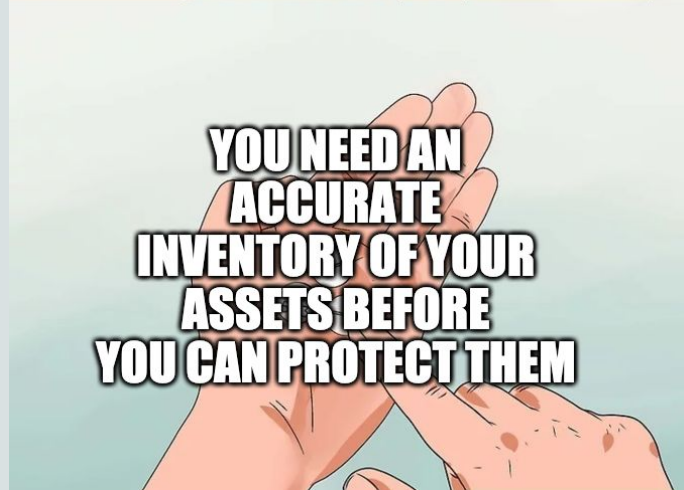
What's a SBOM?

And what can it do for me?

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**YOU NEED AN
ACCURATE
INVENTORY OF YOUR
ASSETS BEFORE
YOU CAN PROTECT THEM**



What is an SBOM?



Nutrition Facts
Serving Size 6 rolls (85g)
Servings Per Container 2.5

Amount Per Serving		% Daily Value*	
Calories 210		Calories from Fat 80	
		% Daily Value*	
Total Fat 9g			14%
Saturated Fat 2g			11%
Trans Fat 1.5g			
Cholesterol 10mg			3%
Sodium 390mg			16%
Total Carbohydrate 25g			8%
Dietary Fiber 2g			7%
Sugars 3g			
Protein 7g			
Vitamin A 8%		Vitamin A 2%	
Calcium 4%		Iron 8%	

*Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet.

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What is an SBOM?



SBOM Document

Listing of:

- Application software
- Application dependencies
- OSS licenses
- Checksums/hashes
- Artifact-specific metadata

Source
Code

Application
Builds

Container
Images

Running
Containers

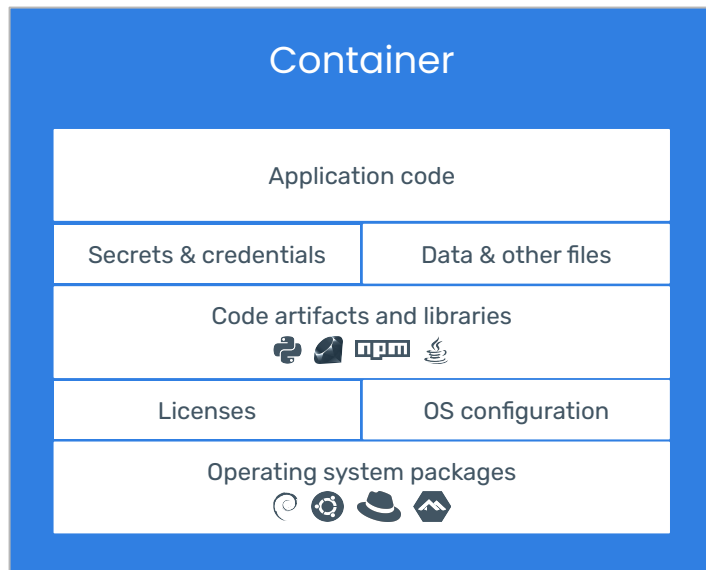
Published
Software

Types of artifacts from which SBOMs can be generated

Containers Provide



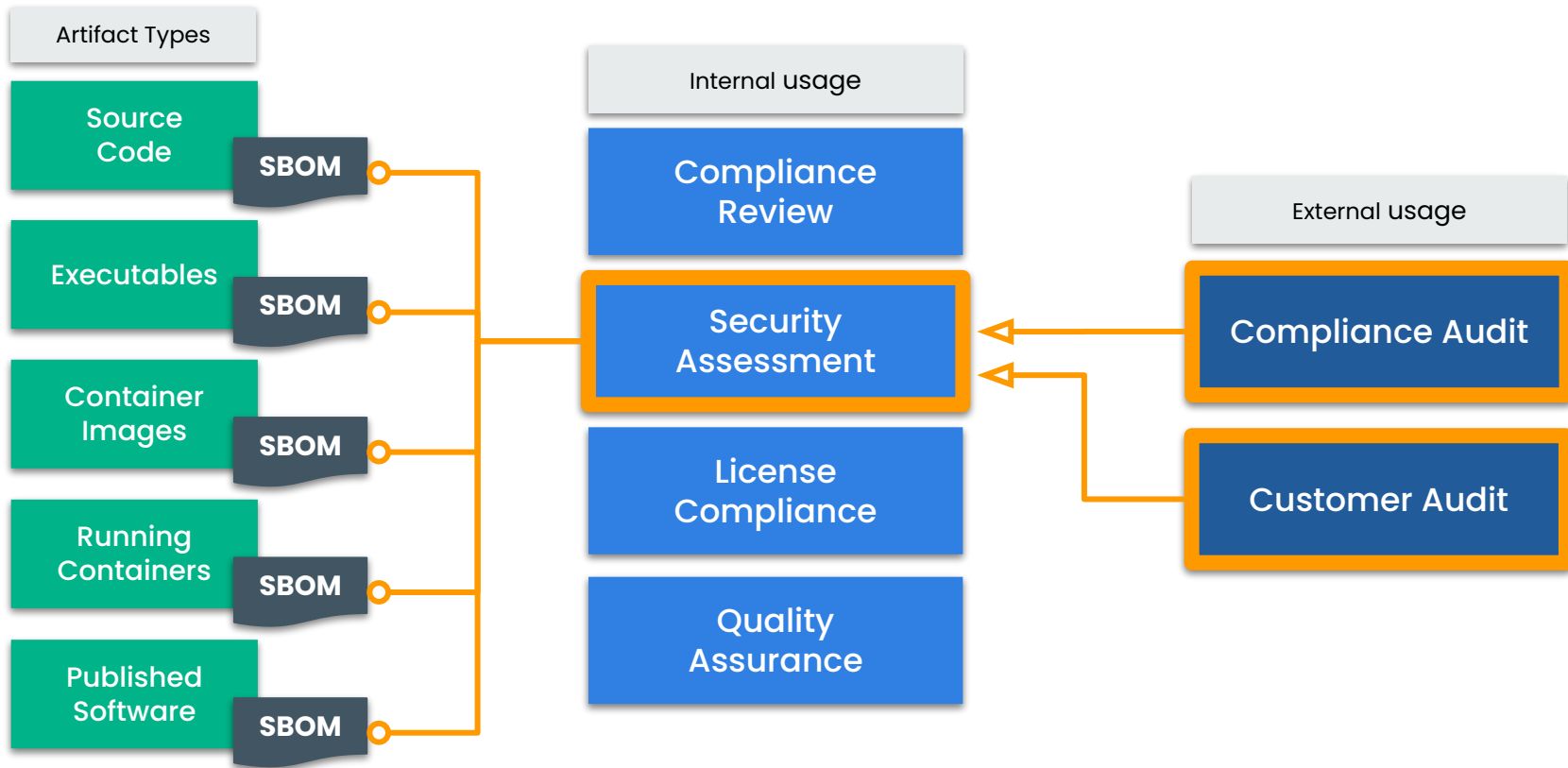
...an easy way to package and deliver



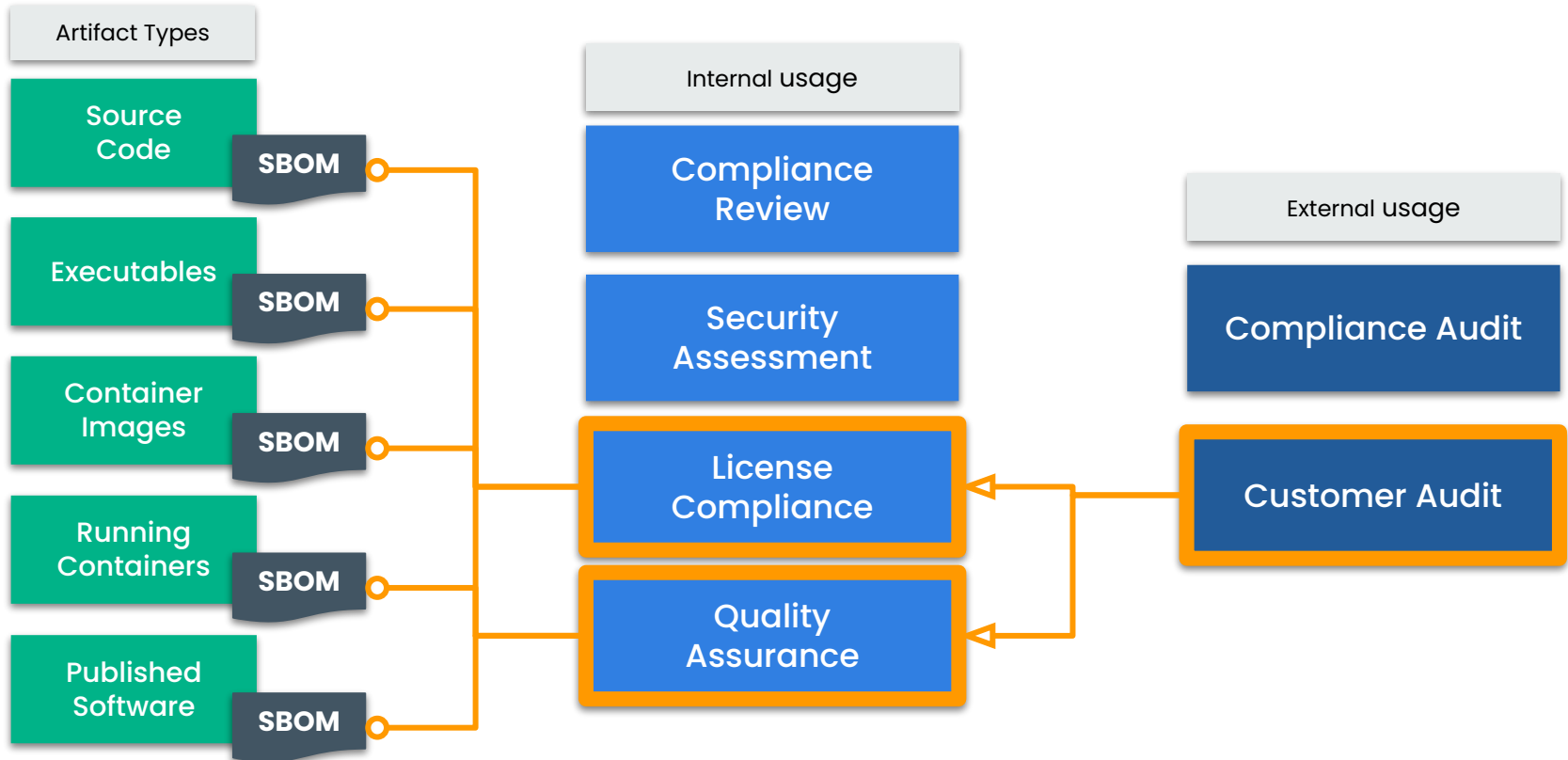
SBOM Includes

- App. dependencies
- OS Packages
- Licenses
- File data
- Configuration files
- Container metadata

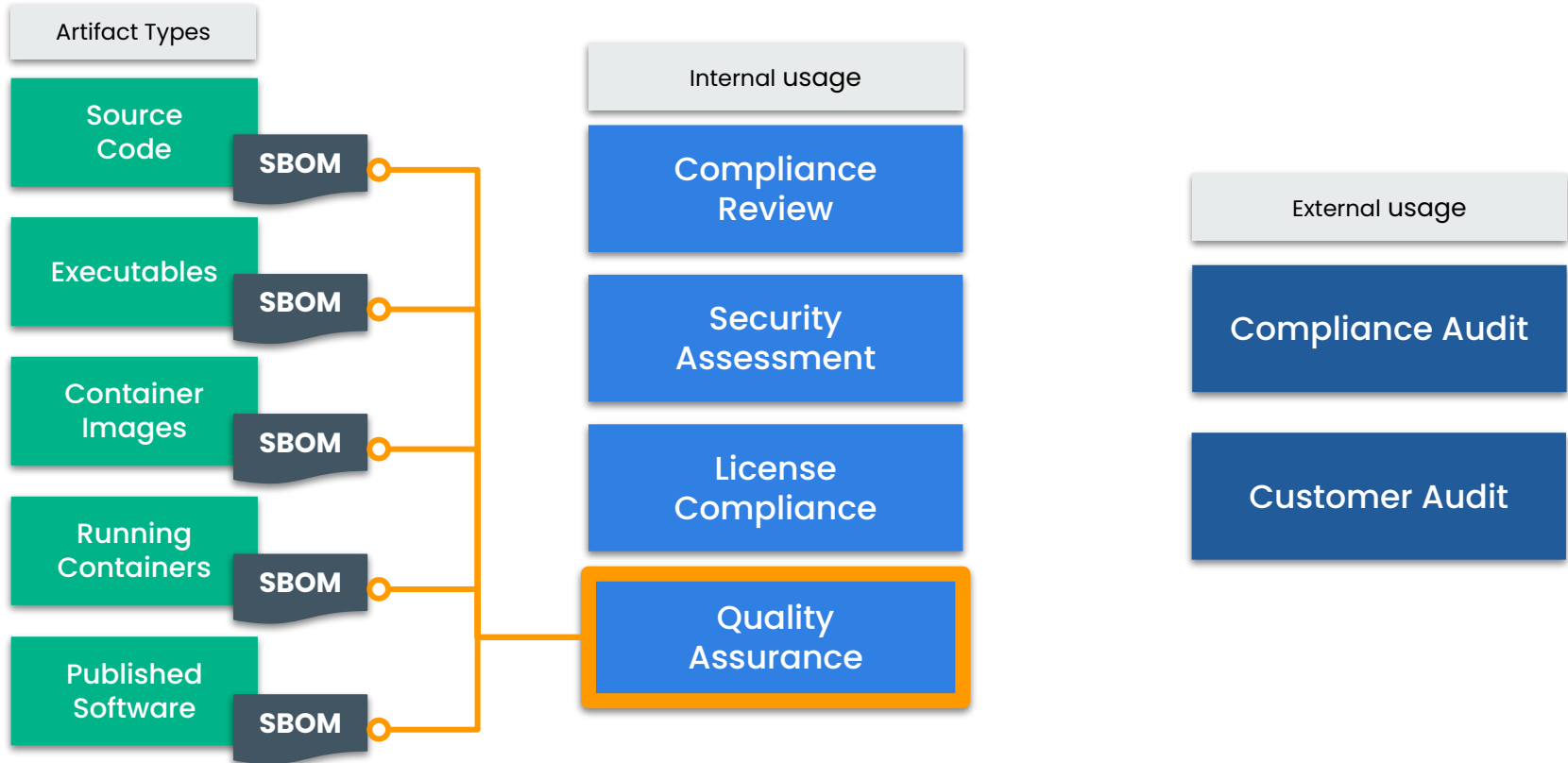
SBOM Use Case: Security Incidents



SBOM Use Case: Cross-Org Compliance



SBOM Use Case: Application Complexity



Existing SBOM formats



	SPDX "Software Package Data eXchange"	CycloneDX	SWID "Software ID"
<i>Organization</i>	SPDX Workgroup (~20 orgs) under the Linux Foundation	A "meritocratic, consensus-based community project" with a Industry Working Group	ISO/IEC Joint Technical Committee Trusted Computing Group
<i>Initial Draft</i>	2010	2017	2009
<i>Formats</i>	RDF, XLS, SPDX, YAML, JSON	XML, JSON	XML, CBOR (CoSWID only)
<i>Spec</i>	spdx.github.io/spdx-spec BS ISO/IEC 5962 - 2020 Draft	github.com/CycloneDX/specification	iso.org/standard/65666.html ISO/IEC 19770-2:2015

Existing SBOM formats: Use Cases



	SPDX "Software Package Data eXchange"	CycloneDX	SWID "Software ID"
<i>Original use cases</i>	License management	For use with OWASP Dependency-Track	Inventory and change tracking
<i>Unique Features</i>	Extensive support for expressing license details	Extensible format and integrates SPDX license IDs, pURL, and other external identifiers	Deeply integrated into the build and publishing process for a software component
<i>Use cases of latest format versions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Tracking attributes of multiple software components (e.g. vendor, license, version, etc.)● Generically describe packages, containers, os distributions, archives, etc● Integrity verification of software components and sub-components		

A “good” SBOM describes...



What is being catalogued

For example a running system, a machine image, a container image, etc.

Each item uniquely

Such as each component name, version, UUID, and relationships to other components.

What did the cataloguing

The tool that generated the document with its configuration.

A “great” SBOM also includes...



In scope and out of scope

For example “only these paths were searched” or “only JARS and RPMs are being search for”.

Exceptional conditions

Such as warnings or errors that occur during processing or missing environmental factors

Additional metadata

Such as Java pom properties, key-values, additional RPM DB tag entries, and licenses.

Introducing Syft

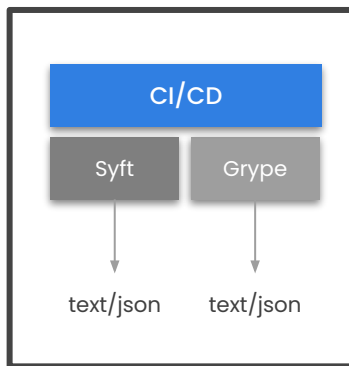
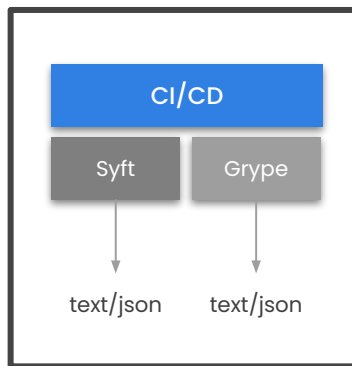
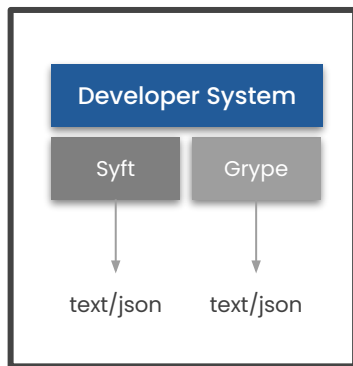


- Syft is an **open source tool that generates SBOMs** from container images and filesystems
- Syft supports **many package ecosystems**:
 - APK, DEB, RPM, Ruby Bundle, Python Wheel/Egg/requirements.txt, JavaScript NPM/Yarn, Java JAR/EAR/WAR, Jenkins plugin JPI/HPI, Go modules, Rust Crate
- Syft also supports **multiple output formats**
 - Summary table
 - JSON details
 - CycloneDX
 - SPDX

Anchore Open Source



Open Source | Stateless, decentralized tools for developers



Syft
Generates an SBOM for a container image

Gype
Generates a list of CVEs using the SBOM

Open Source

- **Lightweight** tools, written in **Go**
- **API-driven** to run in CI/CD
- **Linux** containers only
- **Local credentials** only
- **Stateless**, no data persistence
- **Siloed**, no centralized control



Now What?

How will this improve my life?

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Story Time (again)



How Do SBOMs Actually Help?

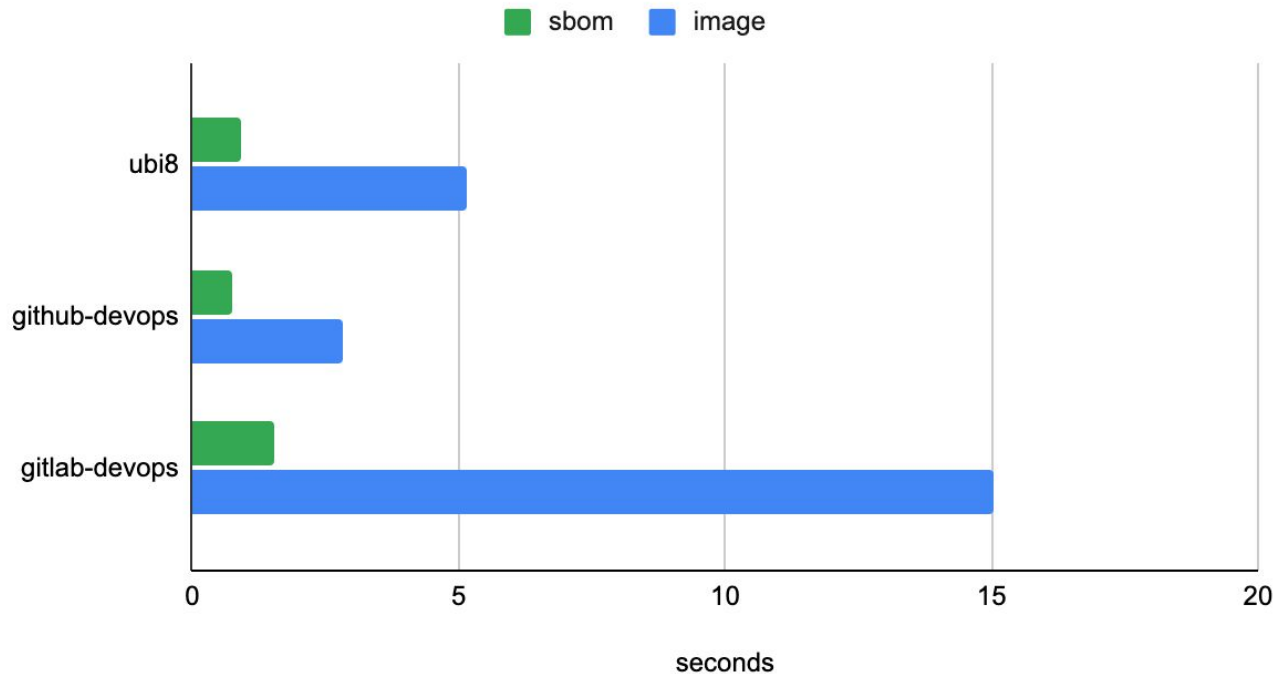


Grype Scan Timing

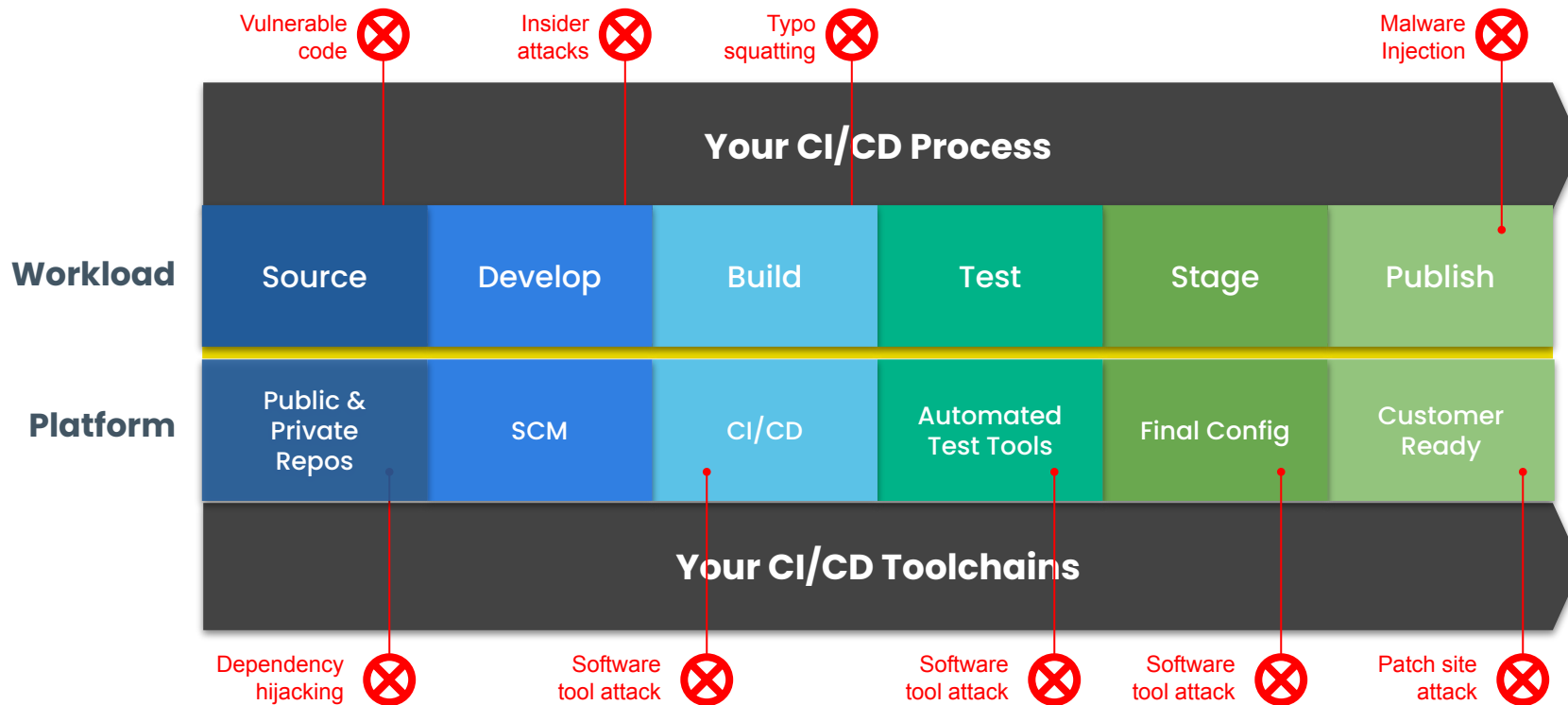


grype vulnerability check

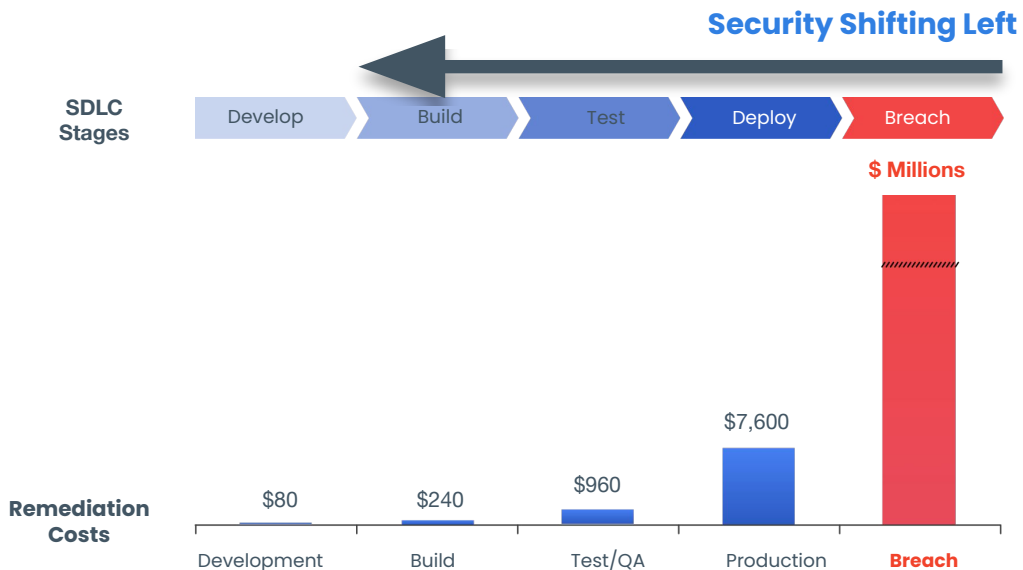
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sbom	0.917	0.751	1.55
image	5.159	2.839	15.031



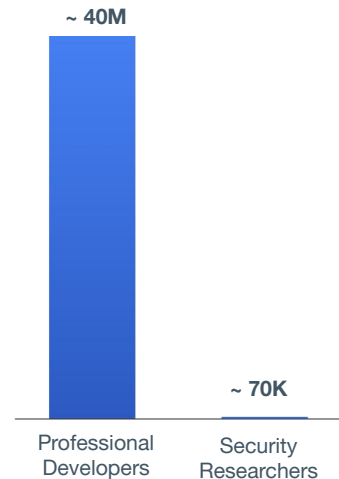
SBOMs Enable Continuous Evaluation



Shift Security Left



Vastly more cost effective to remediate during development



570x more developers than security researchers

STOP TALKING



DEMO TIME

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DEMO TIME

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LET'S DO



A DEMO

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I CAN HAS DEMO?



DEMO?



WHAT COULD GO WRONG?

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When I tweak the demo 10 minutes before my presentation



8:41 PM · Aug 26, 2018 · Twitter for iPhone



- Create a SBOM in Jenkins:
<https://github.com/pvnovarese/oss-2021-syft-sbom-demo>
 - Includes instructions on deploying a disposable Jenkins container
 - Difficulty: easy
- Complete workflow example in Github Actions with syft, grype, and cosign:
<https://github.com/pvnovarese/oss-2021-sbom-complete-workflow-demo>
 - Includes Github Actions
 - Build an image, sign it, scan for vulns, and sign the scan results
 - Difficulty: intermediate
 - More info: [Anchore Blog](#)
- Brand new GitHub Anchore SBOM Action:
<https://github.com/marketplace/actions/anchore-sbom-action>

Example SBOM Creation



Pipeline syft-sbom-demo

Full project name: OSS-2021/syft-sbom-demo

add description

Disable Project



Last Successful Artifacts



sbom-spdx-1.json 25.57 KB view



Recent Changes

Stage View

Average stage times:
(Average full run time: ~6s)

	Declarative: Checkout SCM	Checkout SCM	Build image and tag with build number	Generate SBOM with syft	Clean up
	357ms	289ms	2s	934ms	325ms
#1 Sep 18 05:15 No Changes	357ms	289ms	2s	934ms	325ms

Example Workflow



✓ `.github/workflows/build-and-publish.yaml` `.github/workflows/build-and-publish.yaml` #14 Re-run jobs ...

Summary

Manually triggered 2 hours ago Status: **Success** Total duration: **2m 52s** Artifacts: **2**

pvnovarese @ 8967565

Jobs

- ✓ build_image
- ✓ sign_image
- ✓ create_image_sbom
- ✓ scan_for_vulnerabilities
- ✓ create_sbom_attestation
- ✓ create_vulnerability_scan_attestation

build-and-publish.yaml
on: workflow_dispatch

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graph LR; build_image[build_image 37s] --> create_image_sbom[create_image_sbom 39s]; build_image --> sign_image[sign_image 20s]; create_image_sbom --> scan_for_vulnerabilities[scan_for_vulnerabilities 30s]; create_image_sbom --> create_sbom_attestation[create_sbom_attestation 25s]; scan_for_vulnerabilities --> create_vulnerability_scan_attestation[create_vulnerability_scan_attestation 26s];
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🗨 - +

Best Practices for Securing the Software Supply Chain



01

Centralized, secure CI/CD process for all software

02

Build images from trusted sources

03

Automate security testing and policy enforcement

04

Deploy only trusted images into production



Q&A

Download Syft

<https://github.com/anchore/syft>

Download Grype

<https://github.com/anchore/grype>

Let us know if you like it by giving us a star on GitHub

Get an invite to our open source community Slack at
<https://anchore.com/slack/>

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Signal 
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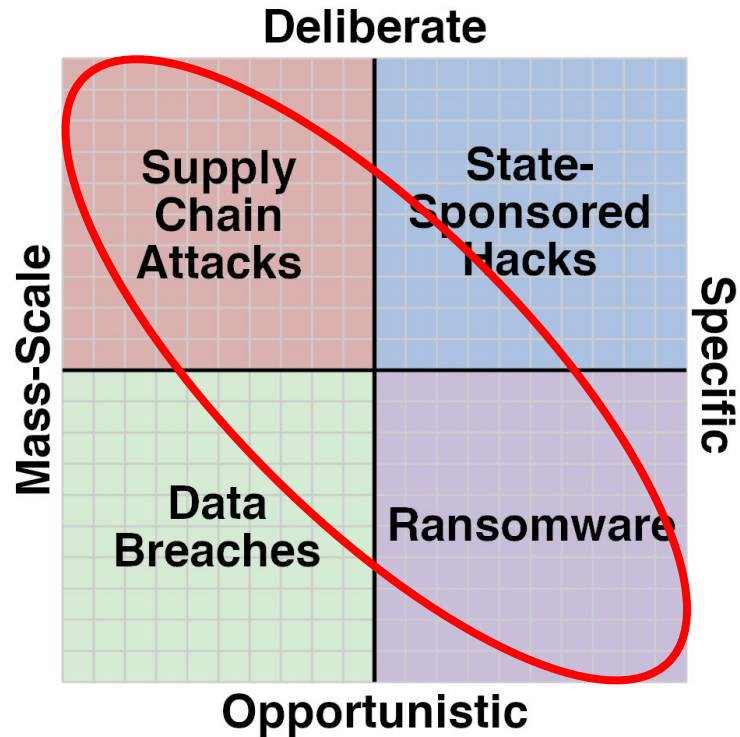
Replying to [@signalapp](#)

Ubiquitous e2e encryption is pushing intelligence agencies from undetectable mass surveillance to expensive, high-risk, targeted attacks.

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Takeaways



One Last Thing



Douglas Haig

“Bullets have little stopping power against the horse” (1914)



Jake Williams

@MalwareJake



Hey infosec: remember that your job is risk reduction, not risk elimination. There's a BIG difference.

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Thanks!

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<https://github.com/anchore/syft>

Download Grype

<https://github.com/anchore/grype>

Let us know if you like it by giving us a star on GitHub

Get an invite to our open source community Slack at
<https://anchore.com/slack/>

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Reading List



Reflections on Trusting Trust: https://www.cs.cmu.edu/~rdriley/487/papers/Thompson_1984_ReflectionsonTrustingTrust.pdf

Generate sboms with syft and jenkins: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nMLveJ_TxAs

Solar Winds post mortem: <https://www.lawfareblog.com/solarwinds-and-holiday-bear-campaign-case-study-classroom>

SPDX becomes sbom standard:

<https://www.linuxfoundation.org/press-release/spdx-becomes-internationally-recognized-standard-for-software-bill-of-materials>

Profound Podcast - Episode 10 (John Willis and Josh Corman):

<https://www.buzzsprout.com/1758599/8761108-profound-dr-deming-episode-10-josh-corman-captain-america>

Creating a trusted container supply chain: <https://thenewstack.io/creating-a-trusted-container-supply-chain/>

Github SBOM action: <https://github.com/marketplace/actions/anchore-sbom-action>

Footnotes



Twitter Links/Credits:

<https://twitter.com/codinghorror/status/786667942142435329>

<https://twitter.com/dakami/status/896477575475642368>

<https://twitter.com/mikemearls/status/1079999471109337088>

Other notes:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Douglas_Haig,_1st_Earl_Haig

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USA-247>

<https://joshdata.me/iceberger.html>

Images used for SBOM generation timing benchmarks:

registry.access.redhat.com/ubi8:latest

https://gitlab.com/pvn_test_images/devops-supply-chain

<https://github.com/pvnovarese/devops-supply-chain-demo>

Accuracy and Precision: <https://wps.prenhall.com/wps/media/objects/3310/3390101/blb0105.html>

Integration of cosign with syft: <https://github.com/anchore/syft/issues/510>

Add support for Hints in syft: <https://github.com/anchore/syft/issues/31>