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Seven Software Security Myths: Myth Busting Security and the Dev Cycle

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Seven Myths of Software Security



- **Building security in** is essential for modern security
- What actually holds software security back?
- Seven myths drawn from real field data gathered @cigital





Myth #1: Perimeter Security Works

An outstanding defense...in 1535



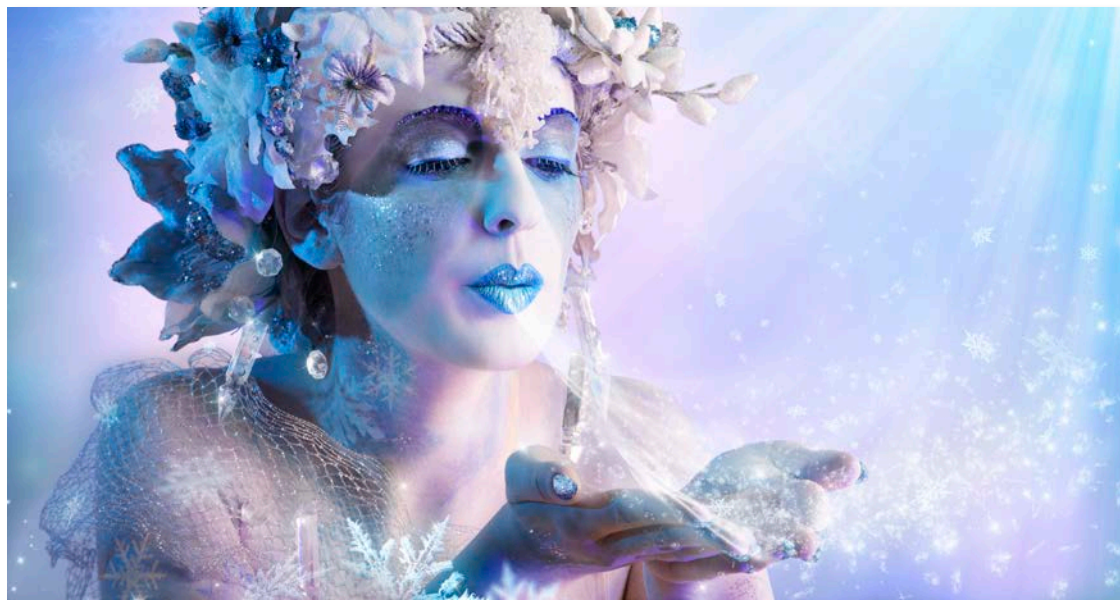
Myth #2: A Tool Will Do It ALL

When your tool finds ten bugs, who fixes them?



Myth #3: Penetration Testing is Perfect

Economics shows that fixing things after they are done is dumb.



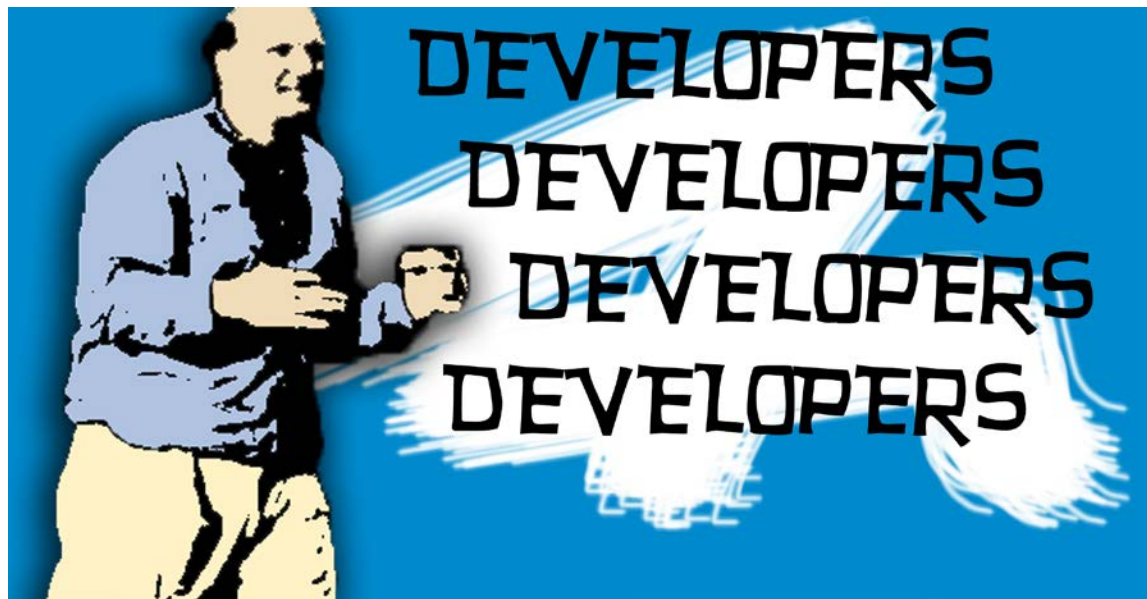
Myth #4: Cryptography is Magic

The liberal application of “magic crypto fairy dust” does not address defects.



Myth #5: Eradicate the Bug Parade

Defects come in two categories: bugs and flaws.



Myth #6: Developers Should Solve the Problem

A Software Security Group unifies security and development.





Myth #7: Focus Only on High Risk Applications

Risk management has well understood failure conditions.

What now?



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