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## DEVOPS AND THE FUTURE OF ENTERPRISE SECURITY



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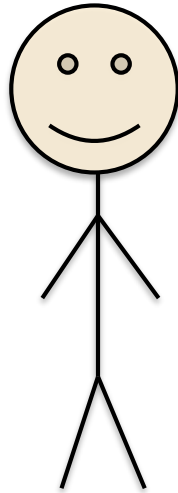
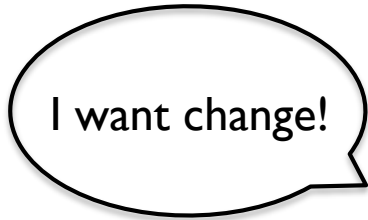
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# Security Perceptions



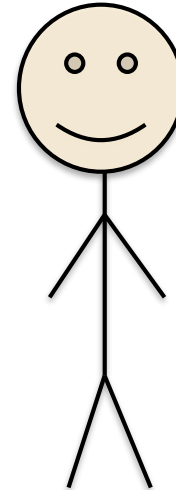
“DevOps is just another excuse  
for developers to have  
root access in production.”

# Walls of Confusion



Development

Wall of Confusion



Operations







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Understand DevOps

# Security Perceptions

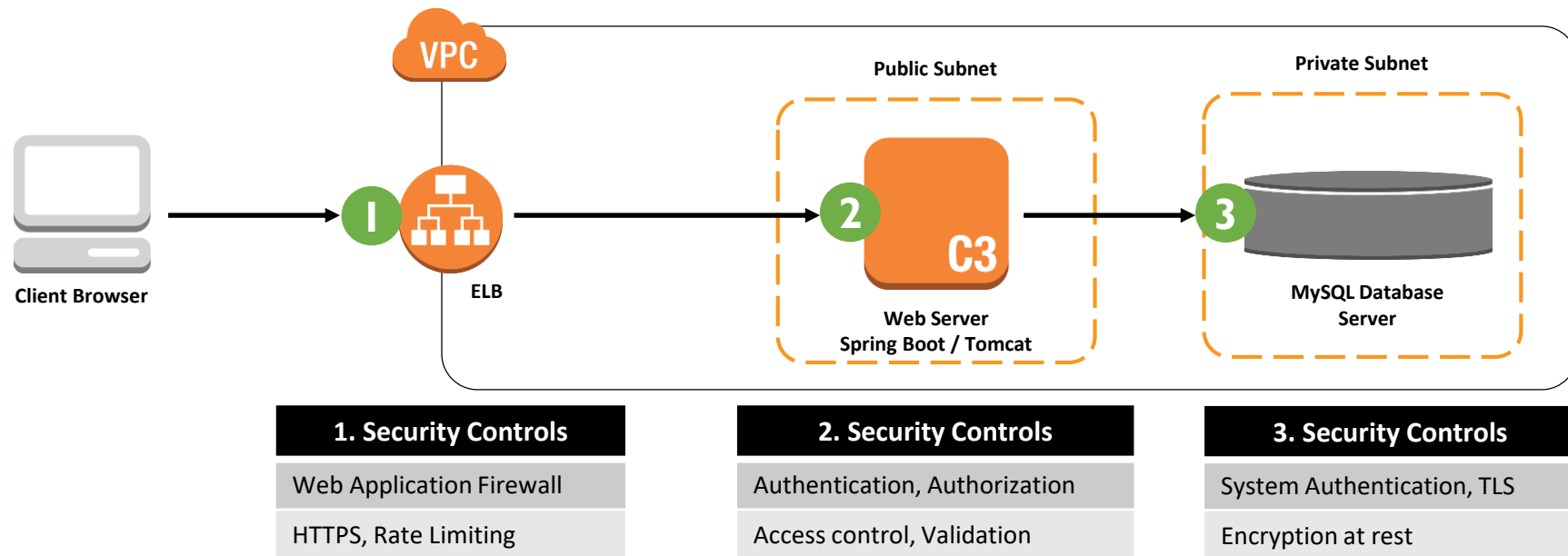


“It’s not the strongest that survive or  
the most intelligent that survive.  
It’s the ones that are most adaptable to change.”  
- Charles Darwin

# Monolith Architecture Security Controls



- Common security controls are applied to each trust boundary in the monolith architecture:



# Microservice Architecture



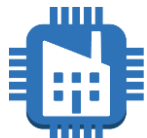
- How does this change in a microservice architecture?



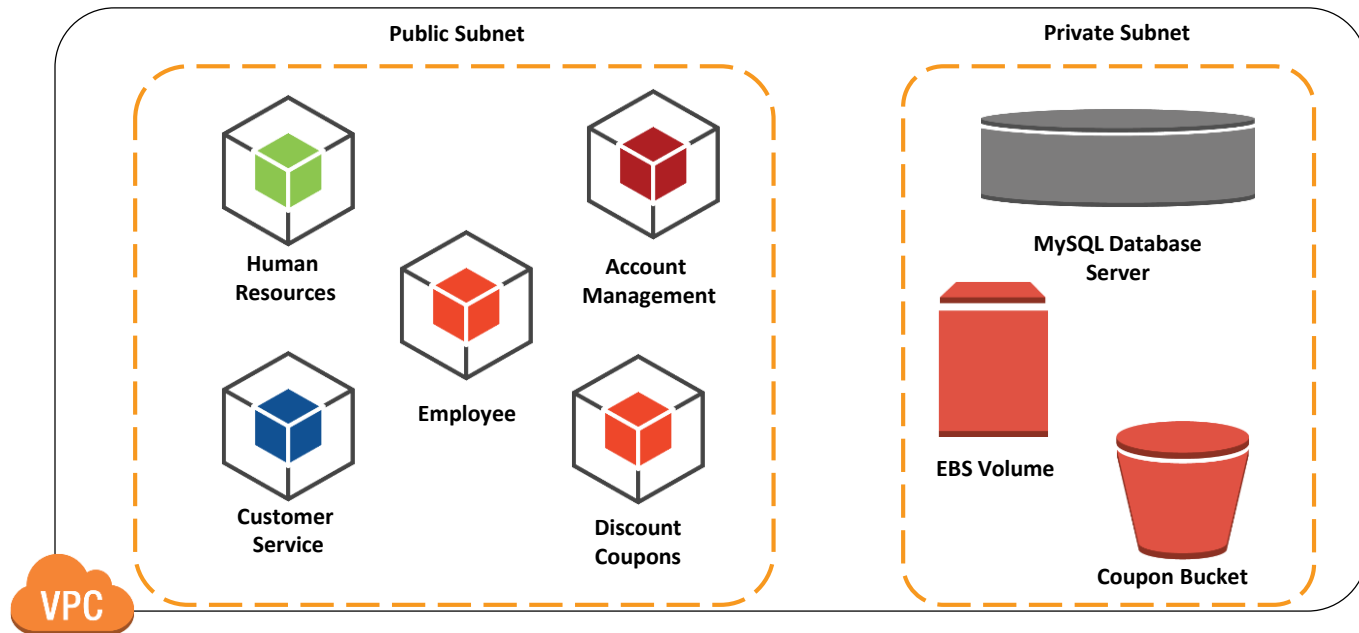
Single Page App



Mobile App



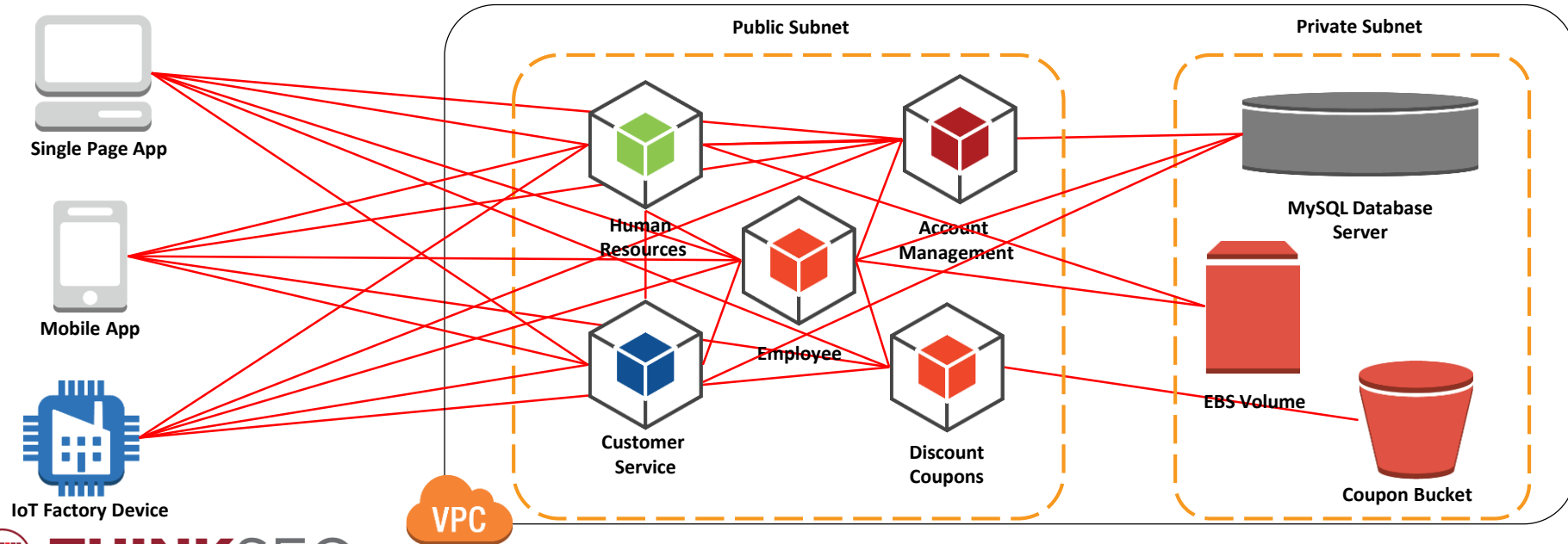
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# Microservice Architecture Attack Surface



- Consider the attack surface in a modern microservice architecture:

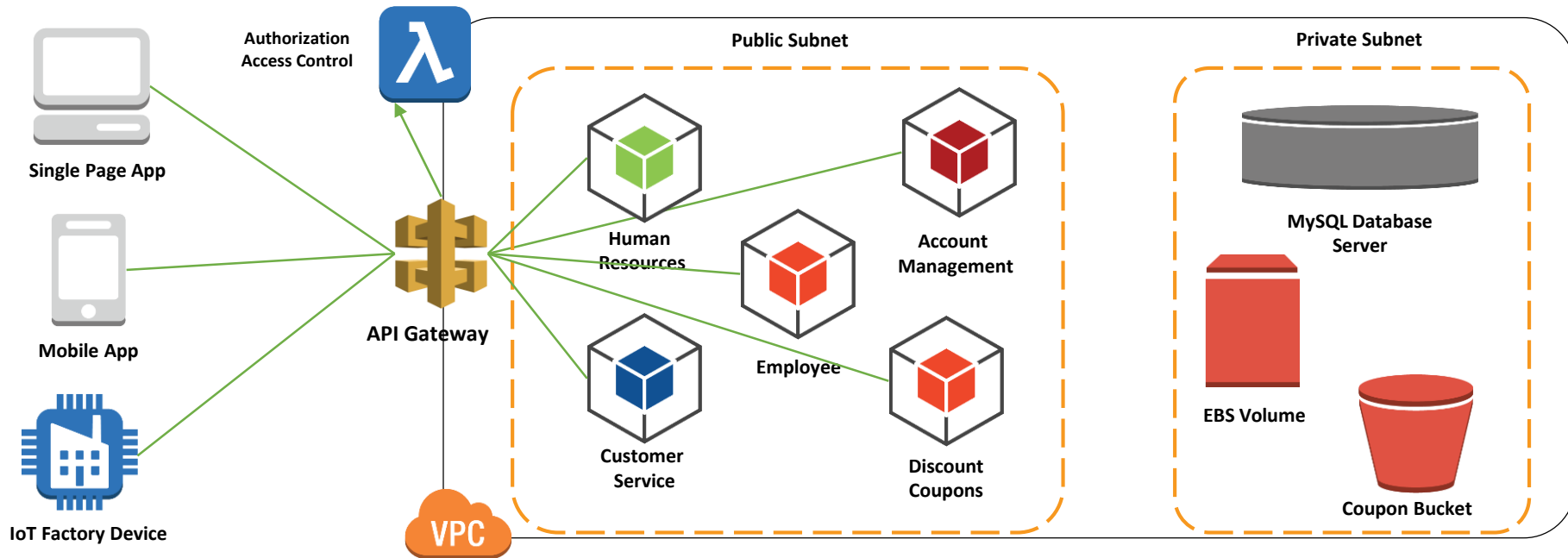




# Microservice API Gateway Architecture



- Adding an API Gateway to provide perimeter security controls:



# Serverless Computing



- Serverless refers to new, non-traditional architecture
  - Does not use dedicated containers
  - Event-triggered computing requests
  - Ephemeral environment
  - Servers fully managed by 3<sup>rd</sup> party (e.g. AWS)
  - Referred to as Functions as a service (FaaS)
- Example Technologies
  - AWS Lambda, MS Azure Functions, Google Cloud Functions
  - Amazon API Gateway

# Serverless Security Benefits



- How does serverless improve security?
  - Attack surface is smaller
  - No servers to patch
  - No long running servers
    - That can be scanned or attacked
    - That can have malware installed on them
  - Fewer compromised servers
    - If malware is installed the next request brings up new, clean “server”

# Serverless Security Concerns



- How does serverless make security harder?
  - Attack surface is bigger (but different)
  - Authentication and access control
  - Compliance

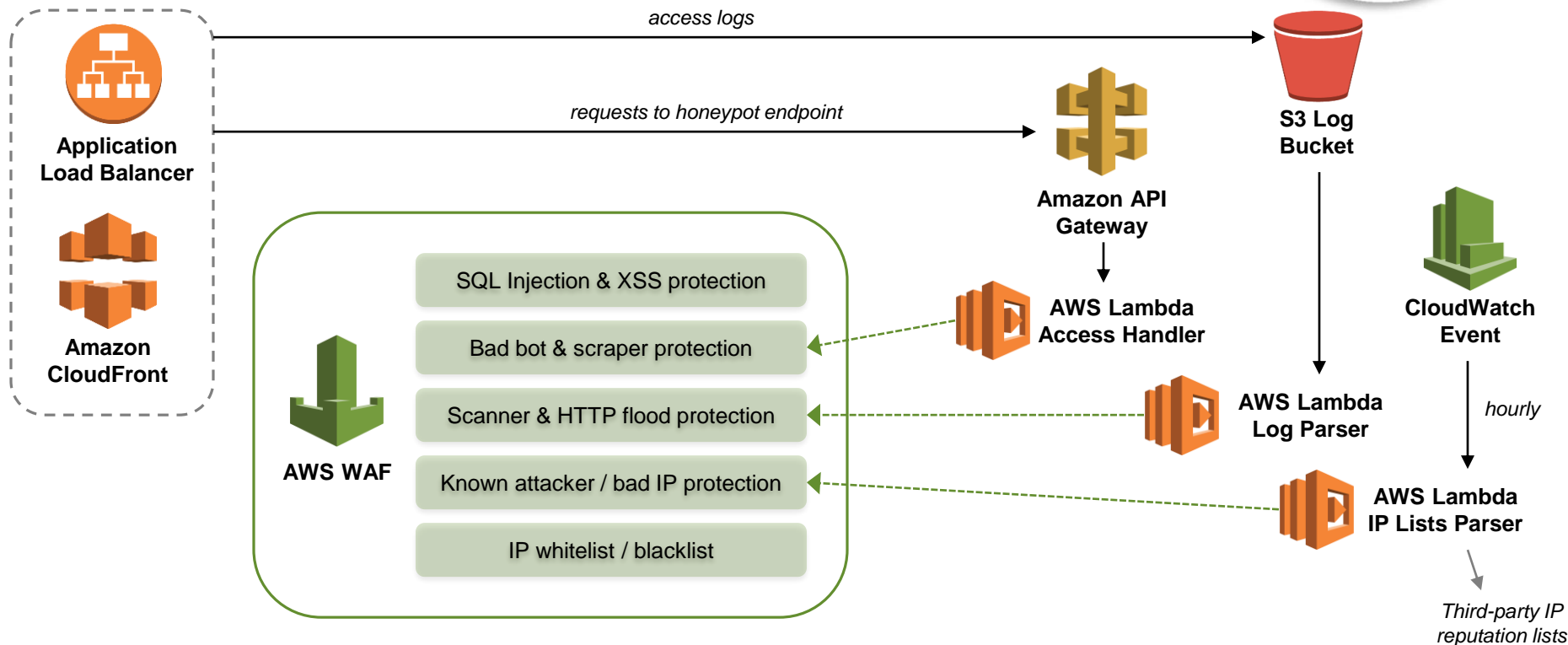


# Serverless and Application Security



- Application security is even more important with serverless
  - If attackers have less infrastructure to attack
  - The focus naturally shifts to the application
- Every function crosses a trust boundary
  - Functions are designed to independent
  - Therefore each function must be secured independently
- Apply application security best practices
  - Input validation / sanitization must be performed in each function
  - Perform code review and automated scans
  - Review dependencies and libraries used by functions

# AWS WAF Security Automations



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Support DevOps

# Hunt the Bug



- Can you identify the bug in this code snippet?

```
1  <%
2  String theme = request.getParameter("look");
3  if (theme == null && session != null) {
4      theme = (String)session.getAttribute("look");
5  }
6
7  if (session !=null) session.setAttribute("look", theme);
8  %>
9
10 <link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" media="all"
11     href="<%= request.getContextPath() %>
12         /ui/theme/<%= theme %>/colors.css" />
```



# Hunt the Bug – XSS



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# AngularJS Output Encoding



- ngBind for HTML tags

```
<div ng-controller="ExampleController">
  <label>Enter name: <input type="text" ng-model="name"></label><br>
  Hello <span ng-bind="name"></span>!
</div>
```

- Output from AngularJS expressions

```
<div ng-controller="ExampleController" class="expressions">
  Expression:<input type='text' ng-model="expr" size="80"/>
  <button ng-click="addExp(expr)">Evaluate</button>
  <ul>
    <li ng-repeat="expr in exprs track by $index">
      [ <a href="" ng-click="removeExp($index)">X</a> ]
      <code>{{expr}}</code> => <span ng-bind="$parent.$eval(expr)"></span>
    </li>
  </ul>
</div>
```

# Static Analysis Tools



- Free / open source:

- Find Security Bugs, Phan, Puma Scan, Brakeman, Bandit, Flawfinder, QARK

- Commercial:

- HP Fortify, Checkmarx, Coverity, IBM AppScan Source, Klocwork, Veracode, Brakeman Pro

# Secure Code Spell Checker



WidgetTown - Microsoft Visual Studio (Administrator)

File Edit View Project Build Debug Team Tools Test Analyze Window Help

Release Any CPU Start

WidgetTown.WebForms

```
31 PopulateStates();
32 }
33 }
34
35 protected void lbEnter_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
36 {
37     string name = Request["name"];
38     lblMessage.Text = "Thanks " + name + "! Thank you for your interest.";
39 }
40
41
42
43
44 protected void cbxAgree_CheckedChanged(object sender, EventArgs e)
45 {
46     SetupPage(cbxAgree.Checked);
47 }
48
```

(field) Label Entry.lblMessage  
lblMessage control.  
Unencoded Label.Text property value.

Error List

Entire Solution 0 Errors 66 Warnings 0 Messages Build + IntelliSense Search Error List

| Code    | Description                                                              | Project             | File                           | Line   | Suppression St... |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------|-------------------|
| SEC0104 | Unencoded Literal.Text property value.                                   | WidgetTown.WebForms | FeaturedProduct.a 30<br>SCX-CS | Active |                   |
| SEC0110 | Unvalidated redirect location is passed to the Response.Redirect method. | WidgetTown.WebForms | FeaturedProduct.a 36<br>SCX-CS | Active |                   |
| SEC0105 | Unencoded Label.Text property value.                                     | WidgetTown.WebForms | Feedback.aspx.cs 31            | Active |                   |

Error List Package Manager Console Output Find Results 1



## Pre-Commit

Security activities before code is checked in to version control

### Threat Modeling/Attack Mapping:

- Attacker personas
- Evil user stories
- Brakeman
- Bandit
- Moat Rapid Risk Assessment
- OWASP ThreatDragon
- Phan

### Security and Privacy Stories:

- OWASP ASVS
- SAFECode Security Stories

### IDE Security Plugins:

- Deobfuscator
- FindSecurityBugs
- Puma Scan
- SonarLint

### Pre-Commit Security Hooks:

- git-hook
- git-secrets
- Repo-supervisor
- ThoughtWorks Talisman

### Secure Coding Standards:

- CERT Secure Coding Standards
- OWASP Proactive Controls

### Manual and Peer Reviews:

- GitLab pull request
- GitLab merge request
- Review Board

## Commit (Continuous Integration)

Fast, automated security checks during the build and Continuous Integration steps

### Static Code Analysis (SCA):

- FindSecurityBugs
- Brakeman
- ESLint
- OWASP ThreatDragon
- Phan

### Security Unit Tests:

- JUnit
- JUnit4
- JUnit5

### Infrastructure as Code Analysis:

- Ansible-lint
- Foodcritic
- puppet-lint
- cf\_nag

### Dependency Management:

- OWASP Dependency Check
- Bundle-Audit
- Gemnasium
- PHP Security Checker
- TrivyJS
- Node Security Platform

### Container Security:

- Actuary
- Anchor
- Clair
- Dagda
- Docker Bench
- Falco

### Container Hardening:

- Bane
- CGS Benchmarks
- gracuity

## Acceptance (Continuous Delivery)

Automated security acceptance, functional testing, and deep out-of-band scanning during Continuous Delivery

### Infrastructure as Code:

- Ansible
- Chef
- Puppet
- SaltStack
- Terraform
- Vagrant

### Immutable Infrastructure:

- Docker
- RIE

### Security Scanning:

- Arachni
- Nmap
- sqmap
- Sslstrip
- ZAP
- ssh\_scan

### Cloud Configuration Management:

- AWS CloudFormation
- Azure Resource Manager
- Google Cloud Deployment Manager

### Security Acceptance Testing:

- IBD-Security
- Guantit
- Mits

### Infrastructure Tests:

- Test Kitchen
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### Infrastructure Compliance Checks:

- HubbleStack
- ZAP
- Indpsec

## Production (Continuous Deployment)

Security checks before, during, and after code is deployed to production

### Security Smoke Tests:

- ZAP Baseline Scan
- Empy
- slabscn

### Configuration Safety Checks:

- AWS Config
- AWS Trusted Advisor
- Microsoft Azure Advisor
- Security Monkey
- OSQuery

### Secrets Management:

- Ansible Vault
- Blackbox
- Cher Vault
- Docker Secrets
- Hashicorp Vault
- Pinetree Knox

### Cloud Secrets Management:

- AWS KMS
- Azure Key Vault
- Google Cloud KMS

### Cloud Security Testing:

- CloudSploit
- Nimblestatus

### Server Hardening:

- dev-sec.io
- SIMP

### Host Intrusion Detection System (HIDS):

- Falzhain
- OSSEC
- Semantic

## Operations

Continuous security monitoring, testing, audit, and compliance checks

### Fault Injection:

- Chaos Kong
- Chaos Monkey

### Cyber Simulations:

- Game Day exercises
- Tabletop scenarios
- status
- seyren

### Penetration Testing:

- Attack-driven defense
- Bug Bounties
- Red team exercises

### Threat Intelligence:

- Diamond Model
- KIB Chain
- STIX
- TAXII

### Continuous Scanning:

- OpenSCAP
- OpenVAS
- ProWard
- Scout2
- vuls

### Blameless Postmortems:

- Itty Morgue

### Continuous Monitoring:

- grafana
- graphite
- status
- seyren

### Cloud Monitoring:

- CloudWatch
- CloudTrail
- ReddAlert

### Cloud Compliance:

- Cloud Custodian
- Compliance Monkey
- Foreteli Security

## Building a DevSecOps Program (CALMS)

### Culture

Break down barriers between Development, Security, and Operations through education and outreach

### Automation

Embed self-service automated security scanning and testing in continuous delivery

### Lean

Value stream analysis on security and compliance processes to optimize flow

### Measurement

Metrics to shape design and drive decisions

### Sharing

Share threats, risks, and vulnerabilities by adding them to engineering backlogs

## Start Your DevOps Metrics Program

- # of high-severity vulnerabilities and how long they are open
- Build and deployment cycle time
- Automated test frequency and coverage
- Scanning frequency and coverage
- Number of attacks (and attackers) hitting your application

## First Steps in Automation

- Build a security smoke test (e.g. ZAP Baseline Scan)
- Conduct negative unit testing to get off of the happy path
- Attack your system before somebody else does (e.g. Guantit)
- Add hardening steps into configuration recipes (e.g. dev-sec.io)
- Hardening and test your CI/CD pipelines and do not rely on developer-friendly defaults

Learn to build, deliver, and deploy modern applications using secure DevOps and cloud principles, practices, and tools.

DEV540: Secure DevOps and Cloud Application Security

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## SANS APPSEC CURRICULUM

| PLATFORM SECURITY                                          | CORE                                                     | SPECIALIZATION                                                     |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DEV531<br>Defining Modern Applications Security Essentials | STH DEVELOPER<br>Application Security Awareness Modules  | SEC541<br>Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking          |
| DEV541<br>Secure Coding in Java/JEE                        | DEV532<br>Defending Web Applications Security Essentials | SEC542<br>Advanced Web App Penetration Testing and Ethical Hacking |
| DEV544<br>Secure Coding in .NET                            | DEV534<br>Secure DevOps: A Practical Introduction        | ASSESSMENT<br>AppSec Cyber Incident Response                       |
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Adopt DevOps

# Critical Security Controls (CSC)



## CIS Controls

### First 5 CIS Controls

Eliminate the vast majority of your organization's vulnerabilities

- 1: **Inventory of Authorized and Unauthorized Devices** →
- 2: **Inventory of Authorized and Unauthorized Software** →
- 3: **Secure Configurations for Hardware and Software** →
- 4: **Continuous Vulnerability Assessment and Remediation** →
- 5: **Controlled Use of Administrative Privileges** →



# Infrastructure as Code



- Different approaches to set up and manage systems
  - Traditional: manual checklists and scripts, ad hoc changes/fixes made by system administrators at runtime
  - Modern: treating Infrastructure as Code and configuration management as system engineering
- Configuration management with scripts is not scalable
  - Error prone and leads to configuration drift over time
- Configuration management tools
  - Chef, Puppet, Ansible, Salt/Saltstack, CFEngine



# Automate Standard Configurations



## ● AWS CloudFormation to create EC2 instance

```
1 InstancePublic:
2   Type: AWS::EC2::Instance
3   Properties:
4     IamInstanceProfile: !Ref InstanceProfilePhotoReadOnly
5     ImageId: !FindInMap [Images, !Ref "AWS::Region", ecs]
6     InstanceType: "t2.micro"
7     KeyName: "secretKey"
8     SecurityGroupIds:
9       - !Ref SecurityGroupPublic
10    SubnetId: !Ref SubnetPublic
11    UserData:
12      Fn::Base64:
13        !Sub |
14          #!/bin/bash -xe
15          yum update -y
```



# Conduct Asset Inventory



- Command line call to retrieve all EC2 instances

```
1 aws ec2 describe-instances --output json | jq
2 '.Reservations[].Instances[] | [.LaunchTime, .InstanceType, .InstanceId,
3  .SecurityGroups[].GroupId, .Tags[].Value]'
```

- Output

```
1 [ "2017-01-08T18:51:46.000Z", "t2.micro", "i-0500510e3f808d2ee", "sg-7caf4600"
2   , "prod-springline-aws-web", "Springboot MVC target application"
3   , "SANS\\app.user"
4 ]
5 [
6   "2017-01-08T18:55:02.000Z", "t2.micro", "i-0e74e490c2ebc5d37", "sg-79af4605"
7   , "qa-springline-aws-web", "QA Springboot MVC target application"
8   , "SANS\\app.user"
9 ]
```

# Continuous Vulnerability Remediation



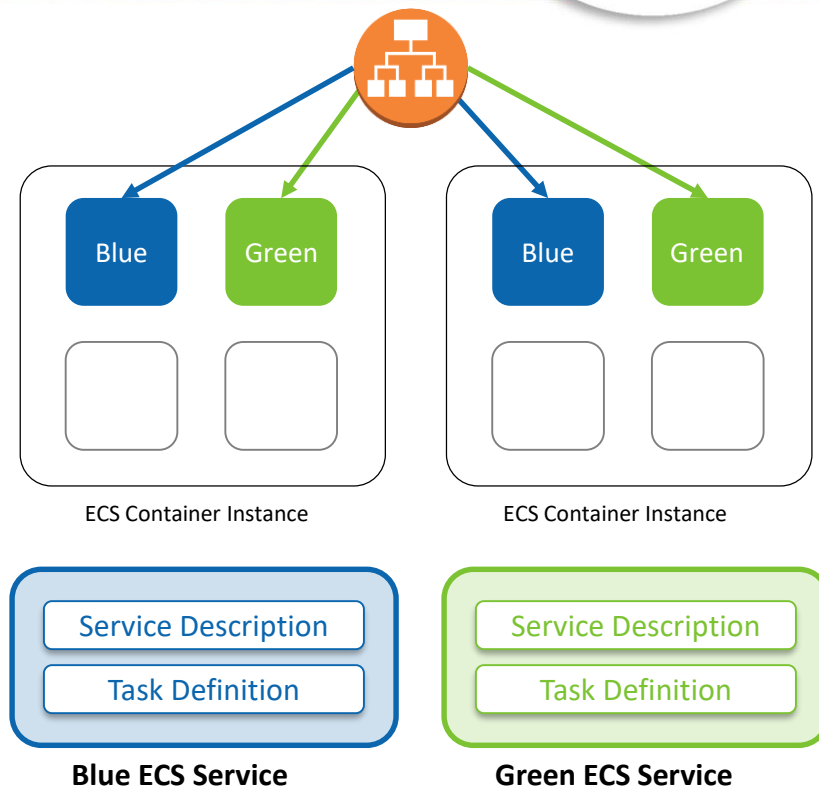
- Blue/Green Deployment
  - Divert traffic from one environment to another
  - Each running a different version of the application
- Benefits of blue/green deployments
  - Reduced downtime
  - Improved ability to rollback
  - Faster deployment of features and bug fixes
- Use blue/green deploys when you have:
  - Immutable infrastructure
  - Well defined environment boundary
  - Ability to automate changes

# AWS Elastic Container Service (ECS)



- Deployment process

- Use original blue service and task def
- Create new green service and task def
- Map new green service to the Application Load Balancer (ALB)
- Scale up green service by increasing number of tasks
- Remove blue service, setting tasks to 0



# Deploying Application Updates



- Create a new “green” ECS Service

```
aws cloudformation deploy --template-file green-web-ecs-service.yaml --stack-name green-web-ecs-service
```

- Increase the desired count for the “green” service

```
aws ecs update-service --cluster DM-ecs --service $GreenService --desired-count 1
```

- Turn off the “blue” service when ready

```
aws ecs update-service --cluster DM-ecs --service $BlueService --desired-count 0
```



# Key Takeaways



- Understand DevOps

- Next week: Begin to understand the DevOps CI/CD pipeline and modern architectures used in your organization

- Support DevOps

- In three months: Inject security into the CI/CD pipeline in an easy to use way

- Adopt DevOps

- In six months: Leverage DevOps principles and practices to improve your security program

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