DevSecOps Kubernetes Pipeline Workshop

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IBM Cloud builds on open-source to relieve the pains of security, scale, software, & infrastructure management

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Preflight Checks

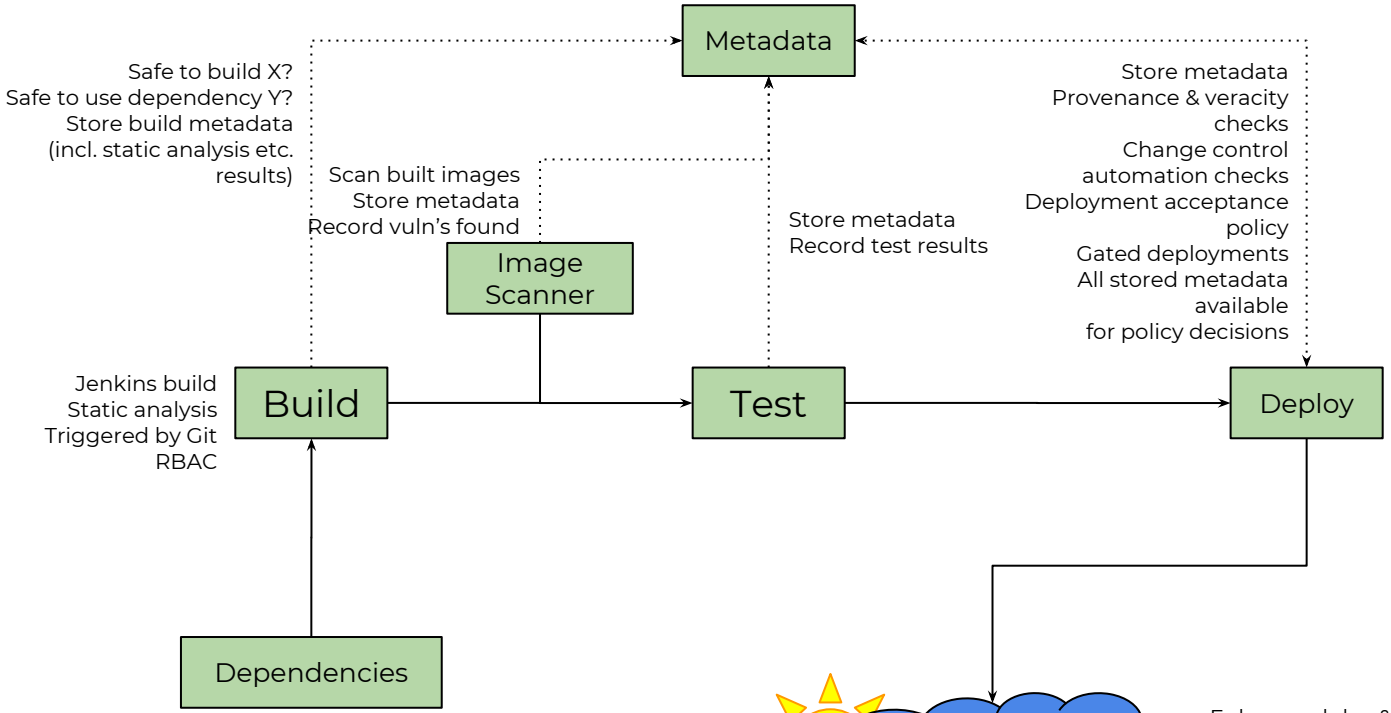
Preparation

- Navigate to https://goo.gl/DKXRnb and follow the instructions
  - Ensure minikube is running (tested on v1.10+)
  - `docker pull sublimino/alpine-base:insecure`
  - Ensure you can `kubectl get pods`
  - Clone the repo locally
  - Run through **00-Prerequisites** and **01-Installing-Harbor**

Secure Pipelines


/ROOT:#
STOP
#HaCk3r
RIGHT
WRONG
FRAGILE
#YOU HAVE BEEN#
HACKED!!
TO BE FREE
I read your email

Secure Cloud-Native Delivery



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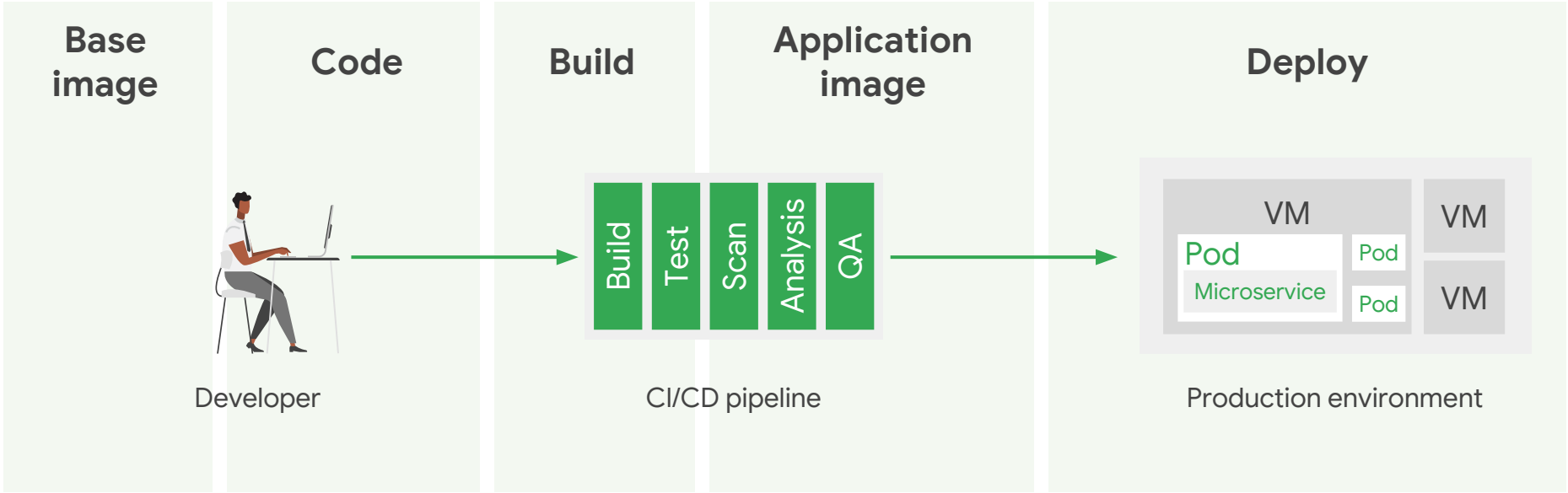
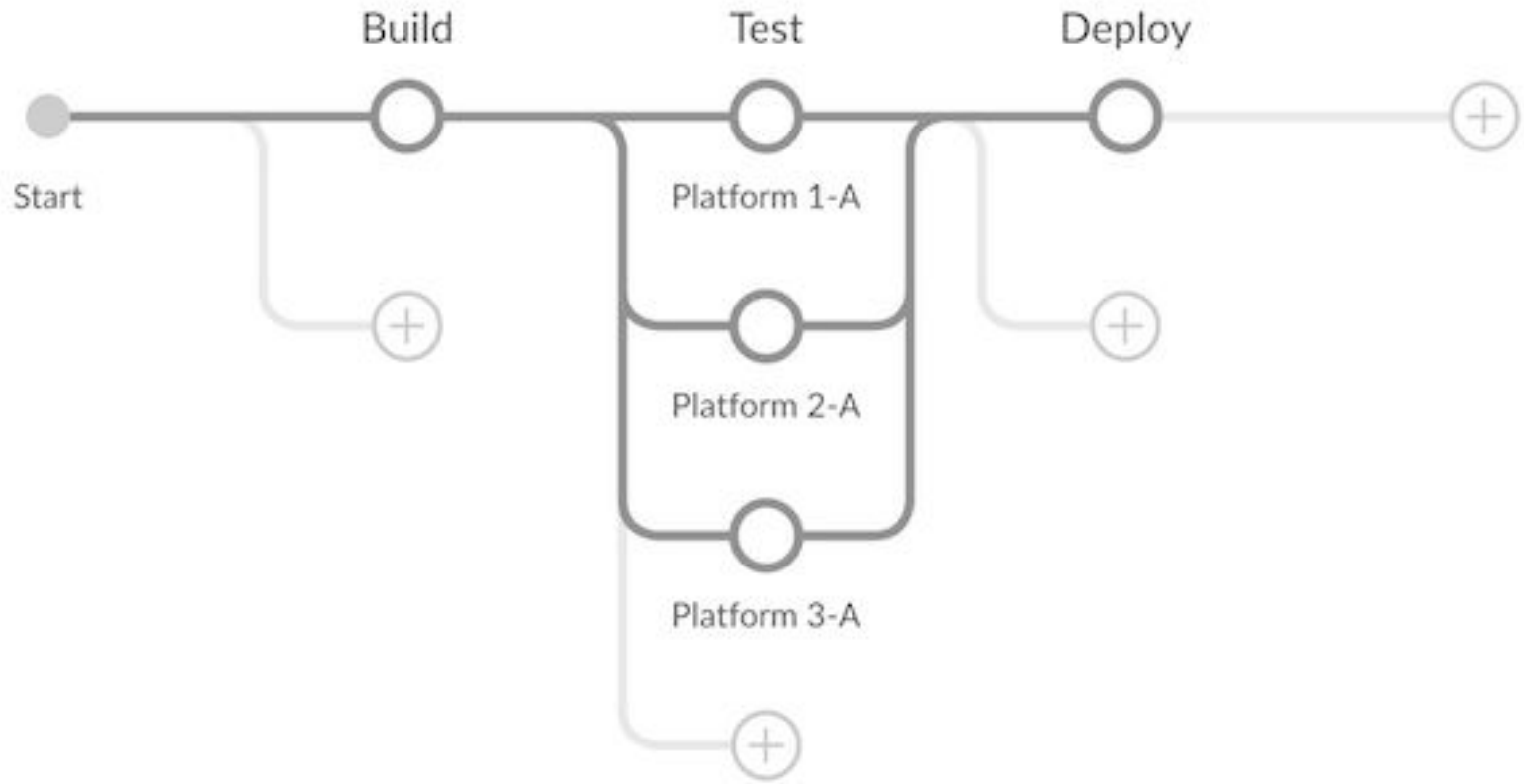
Stages of the CDLC (Container Delivery Lifecycle)

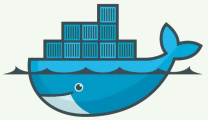


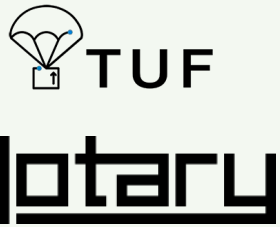
https://www.slideshare.net/FranklinMosley/devsecops-a-new-hope-for-security-in-cicd


Build
Test
Deploy
Start
Platform 1-A
Platform 2-A
Platform 3-A

Open-source supply chain today

Base image	Code	Build	Application image	Deploy
Images: Docker Distribution (Hub)	**Updates:** TUF, Notary	**Pipeline metadata:** Grafeas, in-toto	**Vulnerability scanning:** Clair, Micro Scanner, Anchore Open Source Engine	**Admission control:** K8s admission controllers, Kritis, Portieris





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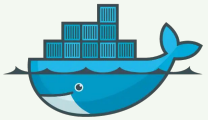

TUF

Notary

Grafeas

clair

aqua MicroScanner

PORTIERIS

KUBESEC.IO

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Build Flow

- Build image (base image from Docker Hub)
- Assert absence of vulnerabilities in image (Harbor)
- Cryptographically sign image for later verification
- Push image to container registry
- Attempt to deploy image to cluster
- Verify image has been signed with an admission controller
- Reject images that have not followed due process and organisational policy

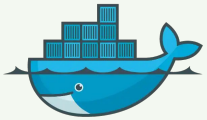
01 - Installing Harbor

Harbor

- Container image registry (a “self-hosted Docker hub”)
- New CNCF project
- Capable of running inside a cluster for inception-esque self-referential image pulls

Harbor

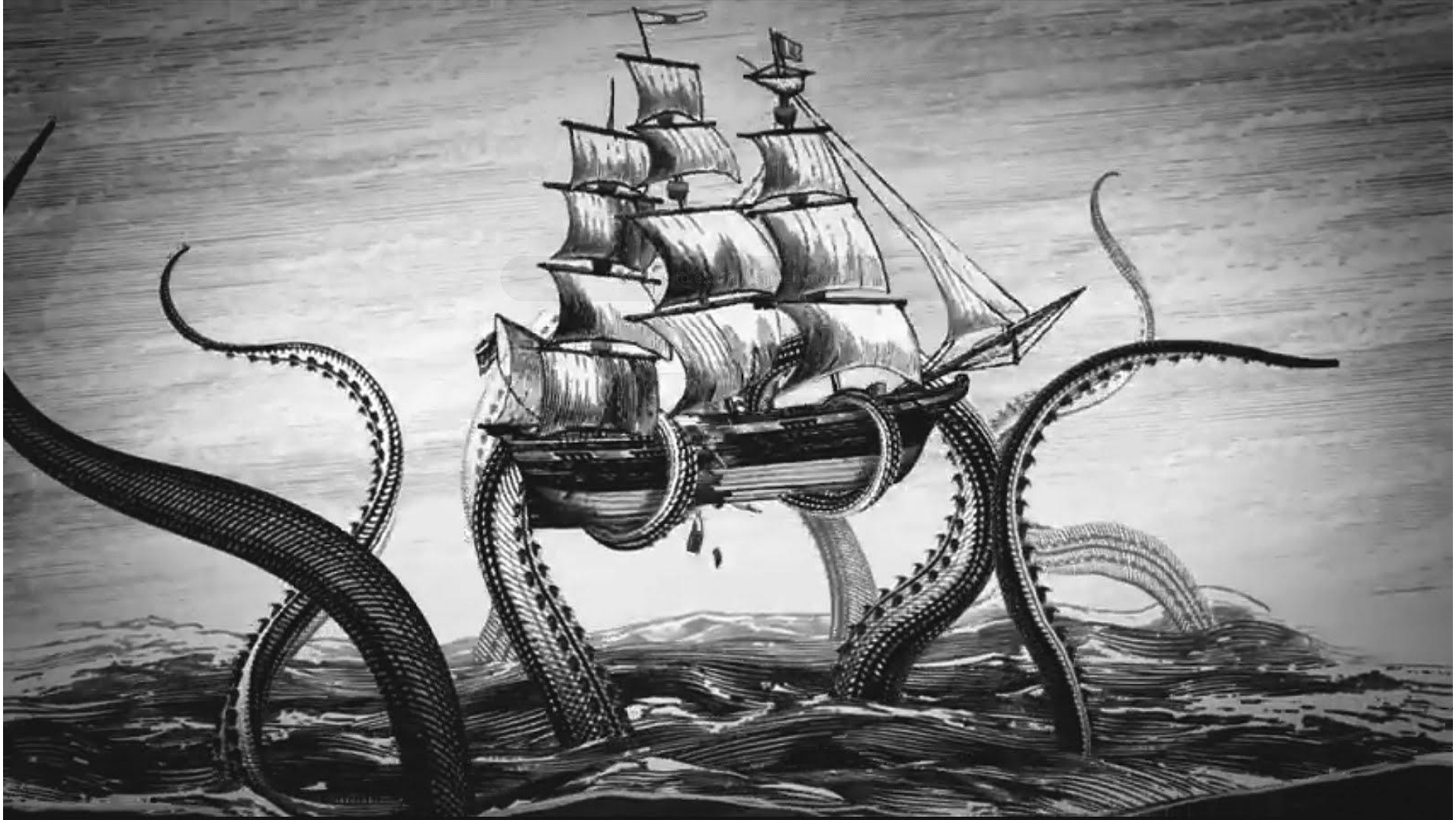
Notary
Cryptographic
image signing



Docker
Distribution
Container registry

Clair
Image vulnerability
scanning

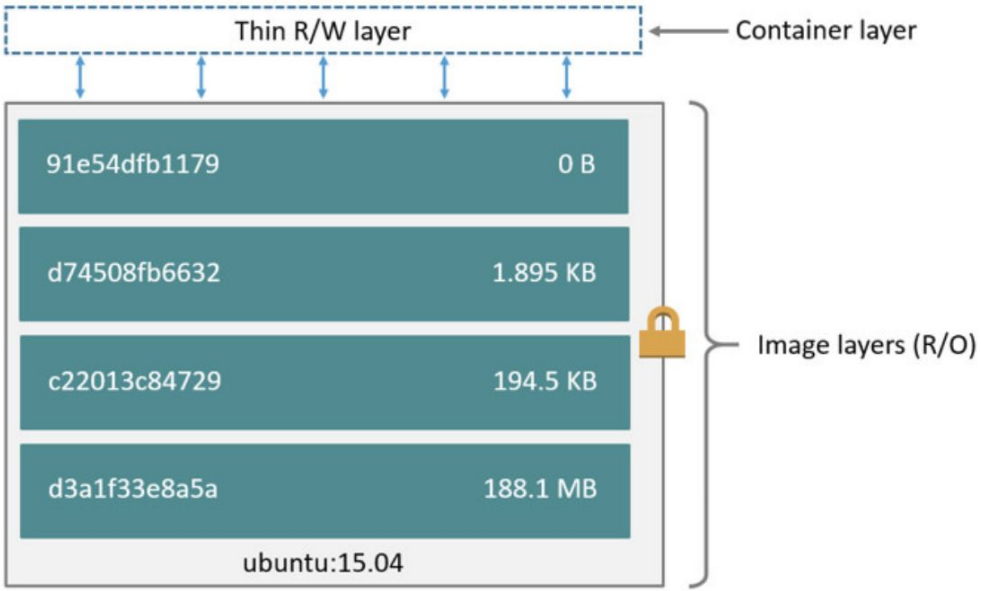
Vulnerable Images



What Can Image Scanning Detect?

- This depends upon the depth of the tool
- Some will just scan installed operating system package manager versions
- Others will check filesystem permissions for all entities, extra binaries, secrets, policies etc.

Image vulnerability scanning approaches



https://sysdig.com/blog/container-security-docker-image-scanning/

- Components to scan: package-level vs. code-level
  - OS packages
  - App library packages
  - JARs, WARs, TARs, etc.
  - Malware
  - Misconfigurations, e.g., secrets
- Scan type
  - Layer-by-layer
  - UnionFS top layer only

Clair vs. MicroScanner vs. Anchore

	Scanning depth	OS covered	Maintainer
clair	Packages		CoreOS
aqua MicroScanner	Packages	Alpine, CentOS, Debian, Oracle Linux, RHEL, Ubuntu	Aqua Security
anchore	Packages, files, software artifacts		Anchore

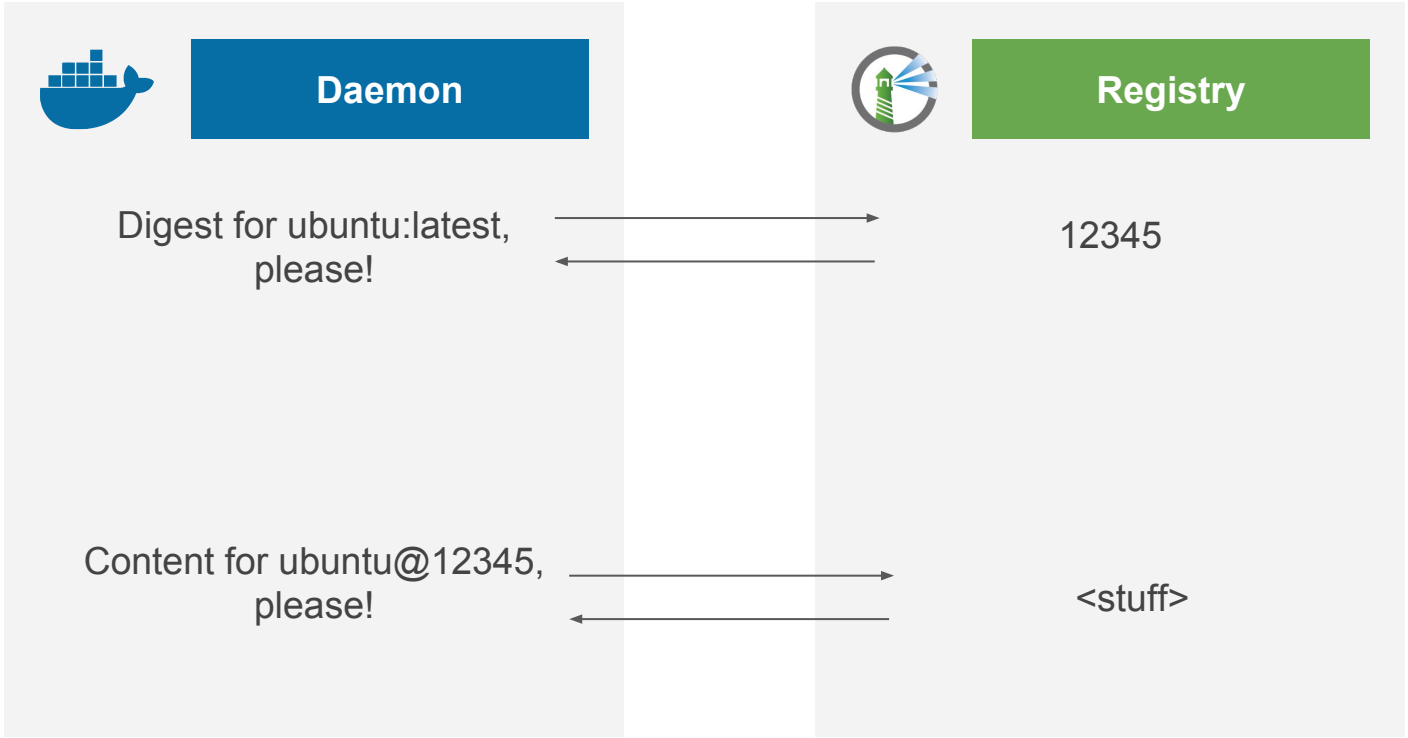
02 - Vulnerability Scanning

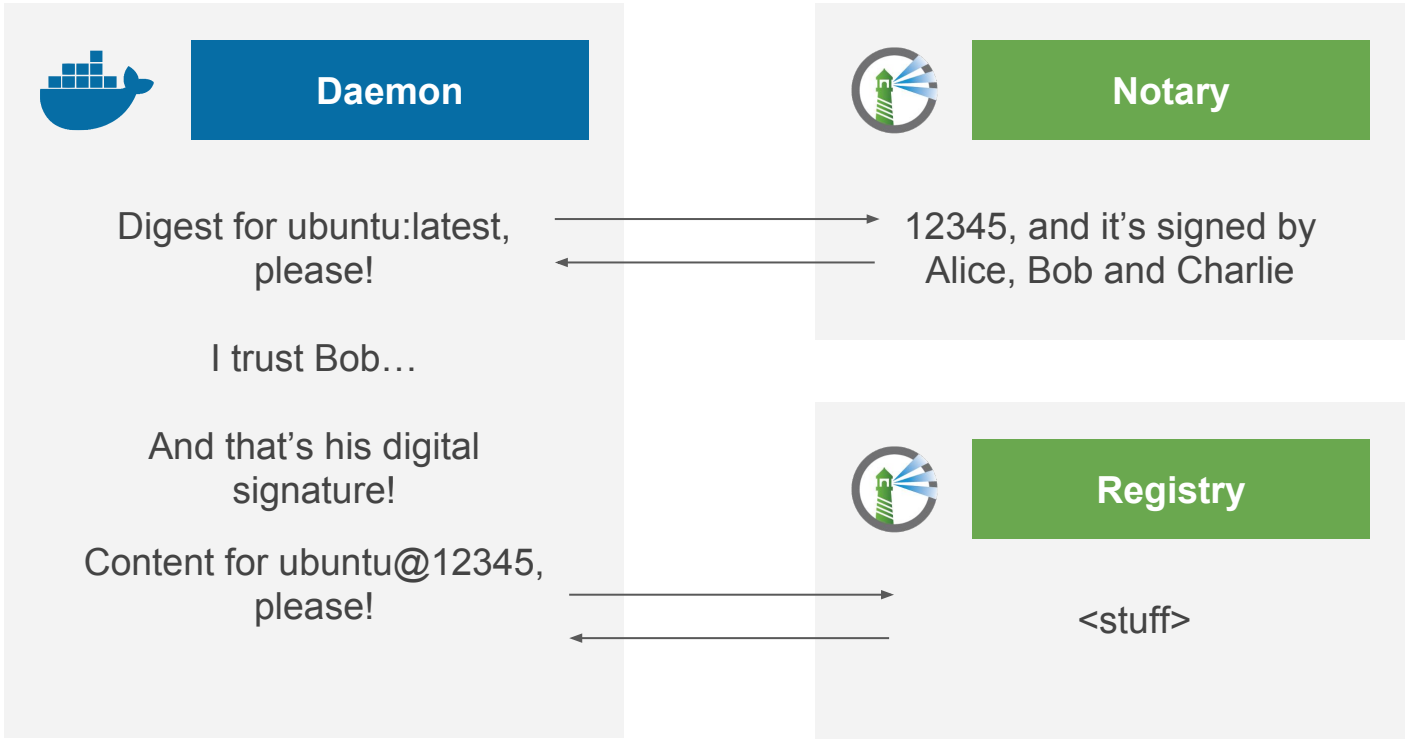
Part 2 - recap

- Firstly - we couldn’t deploy anything! Harbor will not allow us to pull vulnerable images
- This was the intended consequence of attempting to ship a CVE-laden image to production
- CVEs are a likely way for an attacker to being their assault on your systems
- Never ship CVEs to production

Notary

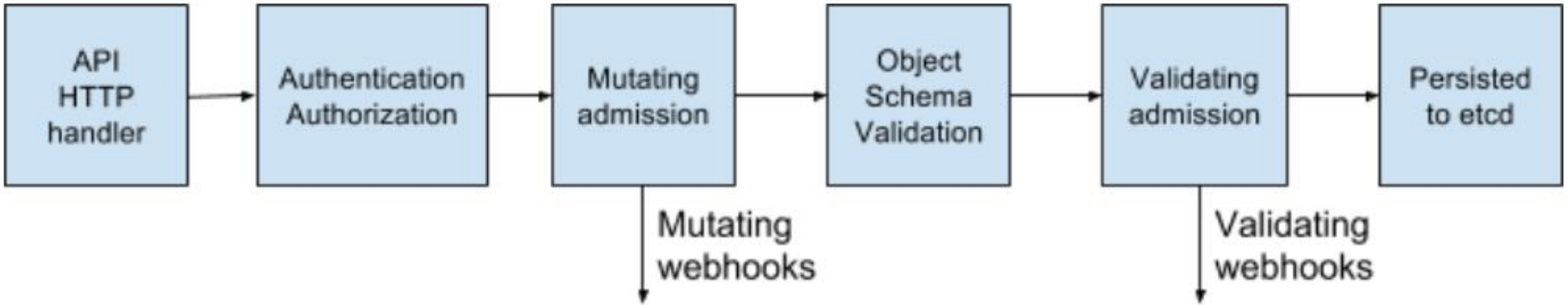

notary


Daemon
Registry
Digest for ubuntu:latest, please!
12345
Content for ubuntu@12345, please!
<stuff>


Daemon
Notary
Digest for ubuntu:latest, please!
12345, and it's signed by Alice, Bob and Charlie
I trust Bob…
And that's his digital signature!
Registry
Content for ubuntu@12345, please!
<stuff>

Admission control

Extensible Admission Controllers



http://blog.kubernetes.io/2018/01/extensible-admission-is-beta.html

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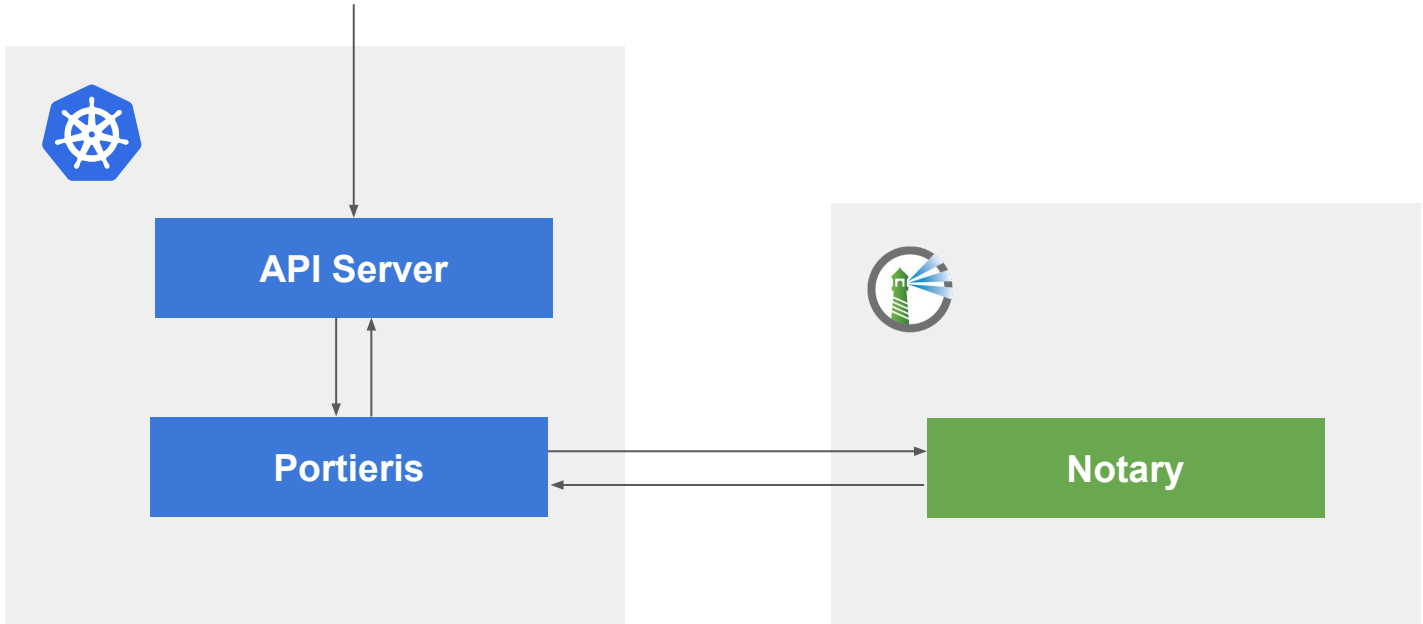

API Server
Portieris
Notary

```
image: ibmcom/portieris:0.5.1
```

```
image: ibmcom/portieris@sha256:19b6e9df327...
```

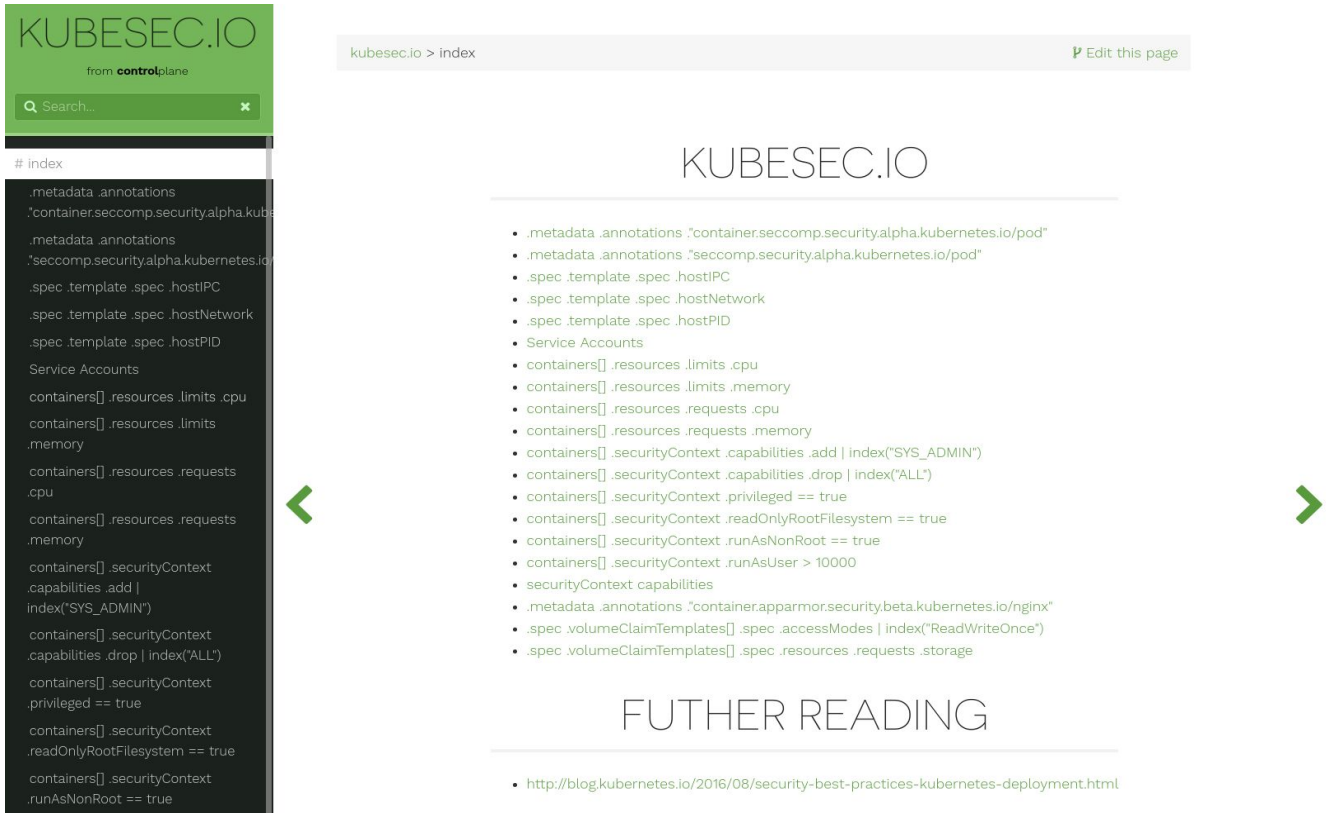
03 - Image Signing

Part 3 - was that enough?

- Scanning for vulnerabilities is important - but only makes any sense if that same image is deployed to production
- Asserting that the image that runs in production contains what you think it does is another basic security precaution that is too-often overlooked
- This security measure can prevent the compromise of access to your container registry from compromising production

Kubesec

kubesec.io - risk score for K8S YAML



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kubesec.io - example insecure pod

```
{
  "score": -30,
  "scoring": {
    "critical": [{
      "selector": "containers[] .securityContext .privileged == true",
      "reason": "Privileged containers can allow almost completely unrestricted host access"
    }],
    "advise": [{
      "selector": "containers[] .securityContext .runAsNonRoot == true",
      "reason": "Force the running image to run as a non-root user to ensure least privilege"
    }, {
      "selector": "containers[] .securityContext .capabilities .drop",
      "reason": "Reducing kernel capabilities available to a container limits its attack surface",
      "href": "https://kubernetes.io/docs/tasks/configure-pod-container/security-context/"
    },
   ...
```

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04 - More Admission Control

Part 4 - minimum viable security

- We have
  - Verified the contents of an image are not insecure
  - Signed the image to confirm we have tested it
  - Prevented unsigned images from being deployed to production
- These are the building blocks of a secure pipeline
  - But only focus on the contents of the image and not its runtime configuration
- PodSecurityPolicy and NetworkPolicy should be use to limit the behaviour of the application at runtime
- Further admission controllers can be added to enhance security

Threat Model

- Attacks wholly or partially mitigated:
  - Container image and application supply chain with known CVEs
  - Theft of users' container registry credentials
  - Some build server compromises
- Extant risk:
  - Compromised user or insider threat
  - Zero day vulnerabilities
  - ...the rest of the Kubernetes attack surface!

Summary