

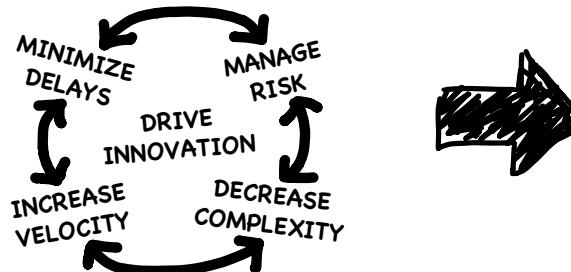


# HOW TO BUILD AWESOME SECURITY INSTRUMENTATION TO AUTOMATE APPSEC TESTING AND PROTECTION

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## THE GOAL IS SIMPLE:

DELIVER VALUE  
TO CUSTOMERS,  
FASTER



## MAJOR INITIATIVES:

- SECURITY MODERNIZATION
- DEVOPS MANDATE
- DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

- LEGACY TOOL REVIEW
- BREACH PREVENTION
- AUTOMATION INITIATIVES

## DEVELOPMENT'S RESPONSE:

FLOW | FEEDBACK | CONTINUOUS EXPERIMENTATION & LEARNING



- ▷ CLOUD
- ▷ CONTAINERS
- ▷ MICROSERVICES / API'S
- ▷ OPEN SOURCE
- ▷ CI/CD

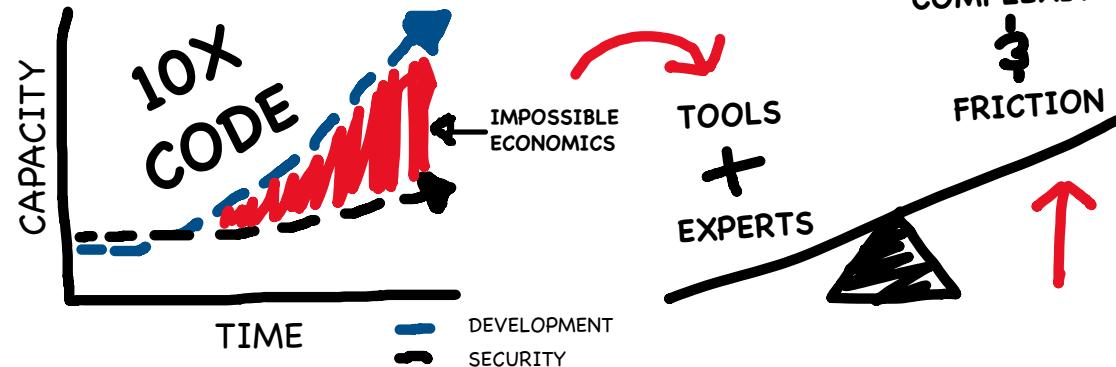
MANUAL PROCESSES  
(I.E. SCAN & TRIAGE)



**WHY NOT?** ANALYSIS  
200X MORE FREQUENT DEPLYS  
REMEDIATION  
24X FASTER RECOVERY TIMES  
SECURITY BACKLOG  
3X LOWER CHANGE FAILURE RATE  
SECURE  
10X AMOUNT OF CODE

## SECURITY'S CHALLENGE:

HOW DO YOU SECURE MODERN SOFTWARE WITH LEGACY TOOLS?



COMPLEXITY

FRiction

TOOLS

EXPERTS

## LEGACY OUTCOMES:

1. SECURITY SLOWS VALUE DELIVERY STREAM
2. DEVELOPMENT BYPASSES SECURITY & RELEASE INSECURE CODE
3. RUN SECURITY ASYNCHRONOUS TO SDLC AS A COMPLIANCE CHECK

**MODERN SECURITY CAN BE MORE!**

# IS IT WORKING YET?

A system message window with a blue header bar containing the text "System message" and a red close button with a white "X". The main content area displays the text "Average serious vulnerabilities:" followed by a large, bold number "26.7". A rectangular "OK" button is located in the bottom right corner of the message area.

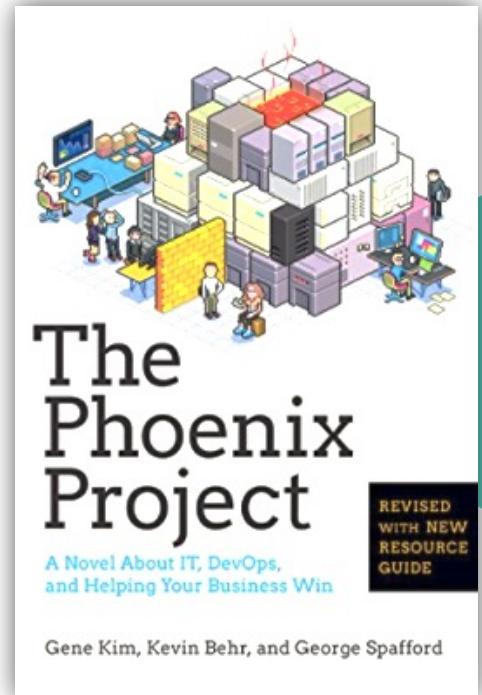
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Average serious  
vulnerabilities:  
**26.7**

2019

Formal Methods	SW CMM	Vulnerability Disclosure	Common Criteria	OWASP T10	WAF	Developer Training	DevOps	Shift Left								
1970	1985	1991	1997	1998	1999	1998	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2007	2009	2013	2015	2017
TCSEC DOD 5200.28		SSE-CMM		Penetration Testing		Dynamic Scanning		Static Analysis		Compliance		BSIMM OpenSAMM		DevSecOps		

# DEVSECOPS IS ABOUT CHANGING \*SECURITY\* NOT \*DEVOPS\*



## DEVOPS

1. Establish work flow  
(Business) → (Customer)  
Dev → Ops
2. Ensure instant feedback  
Dev → Ops
3. Culture of experimentation  
Dev → Ops

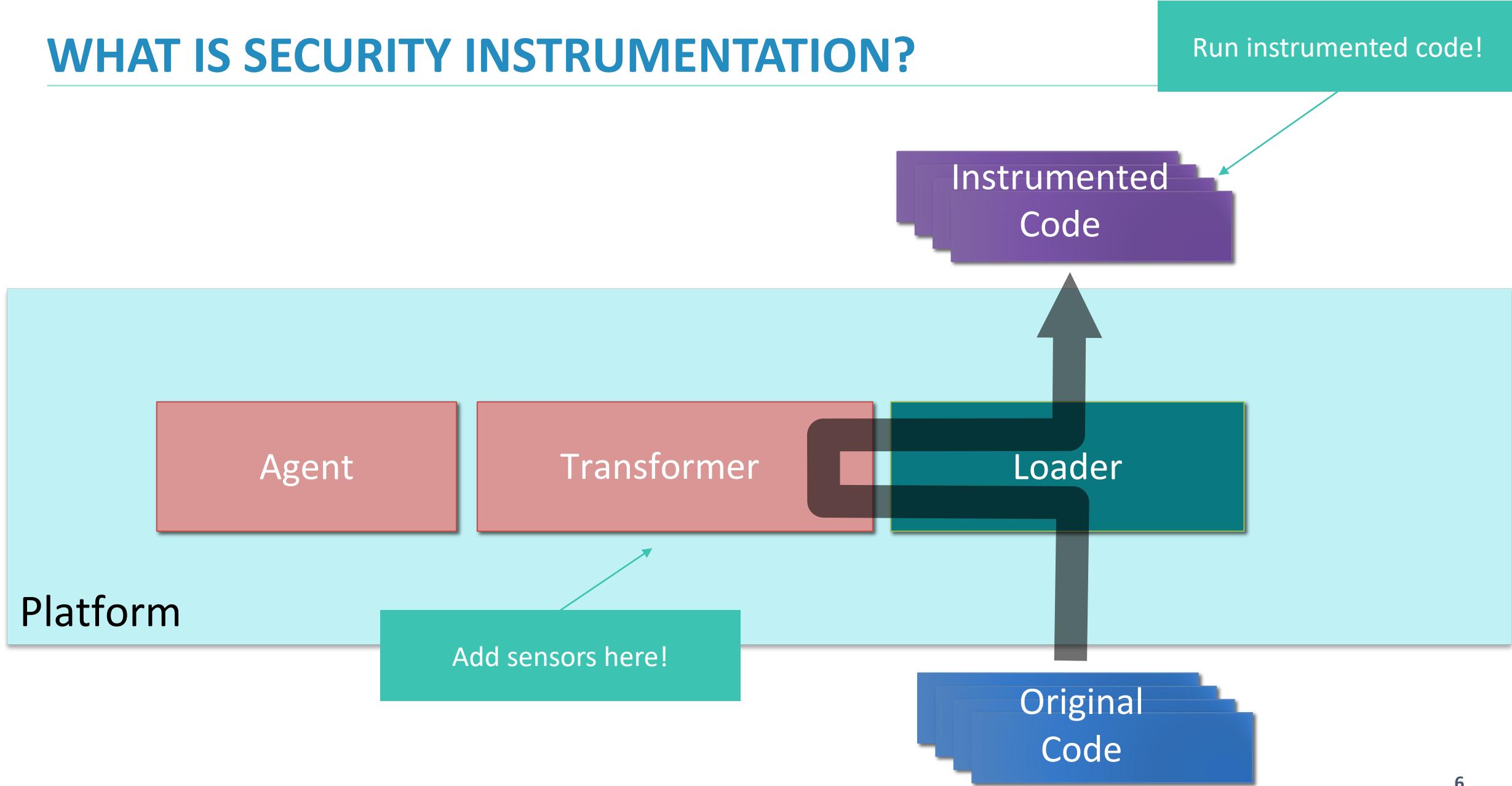
## DEV SEC OPS

1. Establish security work flow  
(Business) → (Customer)  
Dev → Ops
2. Ensure instant security feedback  
Dev → Ops
3. Build a security culture  
Dev → Ops

# INSTRUMENTATION CHANGES EVERYTHING



# WHAT IS SECURITY INSTRUMENTATION?



# 1. SECURITY TESTING WITH INSTRUMENTATION

UnsafeSQLAgent.java

```
1 package com.contrastsecurity;
2
3+import static net.bytebuddy.matcher.ElementMatchers.*;
4
5
6 public class UnsafeSQLAgent {
7
8     public static void premain(String arg, Instrumentation inst) throws Exception {
9         System.out.println( "UnsafeSQLAgent installed" );
10        new AgentBuilder.Default()
11            .ignore(ElementMatchers.none())
12            .type(hasGenericSuperType(named("java.sql.Statement")))
13            .transform((b, td, cl, m) -> b.visit(Advice.to(SecurityAdvice.class)
14                .on(named("execute")).or(named("executeQuery"))))
15            .installOn(inst);
16
17    }
18
19
20    public static class SecurityAdvice {
21        @Advice.OnMethodExit
22        public static void exit(@Advice.Argument(0) Object p) throws Exception {
23            System.out.println( "WARNING: Unparameterized SQL -> " + p );
24            new Throwable().printStackTrace();
25        }
26    }
27
28 }
29 }
```

Put SecurityAdvice inside Statement.execute

Report rule violation when it happens

# DEMO: TESTING FOR SQL INJECTION

```
Terminal — java -Djava.util.logging.config.file=/Users/jeffwilliams/git/apache-tomcat-8.5.43/conf/logging.properties -Djava.util.logging.manager=org.apach...
Q Usage of interface net.bytebuddy.asm.Advice$Return X < > Done
Jeff's-MacBook-Pro:apache-tomcat-8.5.43 jeffwilliams$ export JAVA_TOOL_OPTIONS="-javaagent:/Users/jeffwilliams/eclipse-workspace/UnsafeSQL/tar...
get/unsafe-sql-0.9-jar-with-dependencies.jar"
Jeff's-MacBook-Pro:apache-tomcat-8.5.43 jeffwilliams$ bin/catalina.sh run
Using CATALINA_BASE:      /Users/jeffwilliams/git/apache-tomcat-8.5.43
Using CATALINA_HOME:       /Users/jeffwilliams/git/apache-tomcat-8.5.43
Using CATALINA_TMPDIR:     /Users/jeffwilliams/git/apache-tomcat-8.5.43/temp
Using JRE_HOME:           /Library/Java/JavaVirtualMachines/jdk1.8.0_211.jdk/Contents/Home
Using CLASSPATH:          /Users/jeffwilliams/git/apache-tomcat-8.5.43/bin/bootstrap.jar:/Users/jeffwilliams/git/apache-tomcat-8.5.43/bin/tomcat-juli.jar
Picked up JAVA_TOOL_OPTIONS: -javaagent:/Users/jeffwilliams/eclipse-workspace/UnsafeSQL/target/unsafe-sql-0.9-jar-with-dependencies.jar
UnsafeSQLAgent installed
16-Mar-2020 14:03:48.472 INFO [main] org.apache.catalina.startup.VersionLoggerListener.log Server version: Apache Tomcat/8.5.43
16-Mar-2020 14:03:48.474 INFO [main] org.apache.catalina.startup.VersionLoggerListener.log Server built: Jul 4 2019 20:53:15 UTC
16-Mar-2020 14:03:48.474 INFO [main] org.apache.catalina.startup.VersionLoggerListener.log Server number: 8.5.43.0
16-Mar-2020 14:03:48.474 INFO [main] org.apache.catalina.startup.VersionLoggerListener.log OS Name: Mac OS X
WARNING: Unparameterized SQL -> SELECT * FROM tickets WHERE ticket='10000'
java.lang.Throwable
    at org.hsqldb.jdbc.JDBCStatement.executeQuery(Unknown Source)
    at com.acme.ticketbook.Database.queryUnsafe(Database.java:151)
    at com.acme.ticketbook.Database.getTicket(Database.java:248)
    at com.acme.ticketbook.TicketService.get(TicketService.java:28)
    at org.apache.jsp.check_jsp._jspService(check_jsp.java:213)
    ...
    at javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet.service(HttpServlet.java:741)
```

Now your normal test cases fail for security reasons if you have a vulnerability!

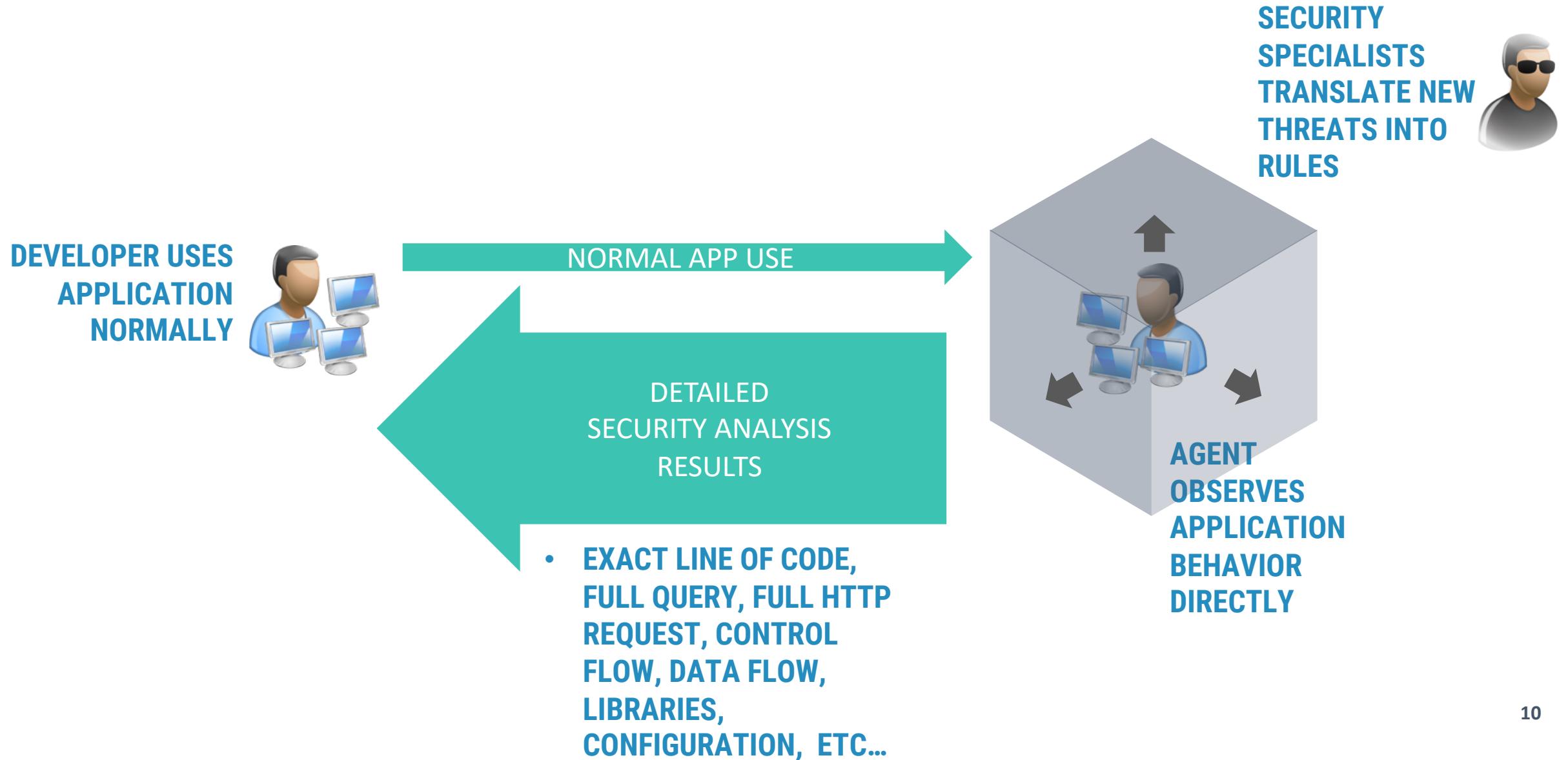
# TYPICAL “SCANNING” APPROACH

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PROBLEMS WITH SPEED, SCALE, AND ACCURACY

# TESTING WITH AN AGENT ON THE INSIDE!



## 2. MAKING SECURITY OBSERVABLE WITH INSTRUMENTATION

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```
28
29     // insert route sensor into Servlet.service method
30     .type(hasGenericSuperType(named("javax.servlet.Servlet")))
31     .transform((b, td, cl, m) -> b.visit(Advice.to(RouteAdvice.class)
32             .on(named("service"))))
33
34     // insert role sensor into ServletRequest.isUserInRole method
35     .type(hasGenericSuperType(named("javax.servlet.ServletRequest")))
36     .transform((b, td, cl, m) -> b.visit(Advice.to(RoleAdvice.class)
37             .on(named("isUserInRole"))))
38
39     // insert cipher sensor into Cipher.getInstance method
40     // Note: agent must be on bootstrap classloader
41     .type(hasGenericSuperType(named("javax.crypto.Cipher")))
42     .transform((b, td, cl, m) -> b.visit(Advice.to(CipherAdvice.class)
43             .on(named("getInstance"))))
44
45     // insert query sensor into method
46     .type(hasGenericSuperType(named("java.sql.Statement")))
47     .transform((b, td, cl, m) -> b.visit(Advice.to(QueryAdvice.class)
48             .on(named("execute"))
49             .or(named("executeQuery"))
50             .or(named("executeUpdate")))))
51
```

More sensors!

Test Coverage Matrix	Guest	UserA	UserB	UserC	UserD	UserE
/ticketbook/accessA.jsp	X	X	X	X	X	X
/ticketbook/accessB.jsp	X	X				X
/ticketbook/accessC.jsp	X	X				X
/ticketbook/accessD.jsp	X	X				X
/ticketbook/accessE.jsp	X	X	X			X
/ticketbook/check.jsp						X
/ticketbook/list.jsp						X
/ticketbook/profile						X

Access Control Matrix	RoleA	RoleB	RoleC	RoleD	RoleE
/ticketbook/accessA.jsp	X				
/ticketbook/accessB.jsp		X			
/ticketbook/accessC.jsp			X		
/ticketbook/accessD.jsp					
/ticketbook/accessE.jsp	X			X	X
/ticketbook/check.jsp					
/ticketbook/list.jsp					
/ticketbook/profile					

Cipher Matrix	AES	DES	DES/CBC/PKCS5Padding	DESede	PBEWithMD5AndTripleDES
/ticketbook/accessA.jsp	X				X
/ticketbook/accessB.jsp		X			
/ticketbook/accessC.jsp			X		
/ticketbook/accessD.jsp					
/ticketbook/accessE.jsp	X			X	
/ticketbook/check.jsp		X			
/ticketbook/list.jsp		X			
/ticketbook/profile	X				

Query Matrix	Query
/ticketbook/check.jsp	SELECT * FROM tickets WHERE ticket='OWASP'
/ticketbook/list.jsp	SELECT * FROM tickets
/ticketbook/profile	INSERT INTO tickets(name,city,cc,ticket) VALUES('OWASP', 'Everywhere', '16/RPW70lN3H9cJofut3ig==', '10006')

## DEMO: MAKING SECURITY OBSERVABLE WITH INSTRUMENTATION

### 3. PREVENTING EXPLOITS WITH INSTRUMENTATION

```
SandboxAgent.java ✘
```

```
16  public static void premain(String arg, Instrumentation inst) {
17      System.out.println("Security Sandbox Agent installed");
18      System.getProperties().put("scope", new ThreadLocal<Integer>().withInitial(() -> 0));
19      new AgentBuilder.Default().ignore(none())
20          .type(hasGenericSuperType(named("javax.servlet.Servlet")))
21          .transform((b, td, cl, m) -> b.visit(Advice.to(ServiceAdvice.class).on(named("service"))));
22      .type(hasGenericSuperType(named("java.lang.ProcessBuilder")));
23      .transform((b, td, cl, m) -> b.visit(Advice.to(SandboxAdvice.class).on(named("start"))));
24      .installOn(inst);
25  }
26
27  public static class SandboxAdvice {
28      @Advice.OnMethodEnter
29      public static void enter(@Origin Class c, @Origin Method m) {
30          boolean block = false;
31          try {
32              block = ((ThreadLocal<Integer>)System.getProperties().get("scope")).get() > 0;
33          } catch( Throwable t ) {
34              System.err.println("WARNING: Sensor malfunction");
35              t.printStackTrace();
36          } finally {
37              if ( block ) {
38                  String msg = "Access to " + c.getName() + "." + m.getName() + "() from within javax.servlet.Servlet.serv
39                  System.err.println("WARNING: " + msg);
40                  throw new SecurityException( msg );
41              }
42          }
43      }
44  }
```

Start scope when you enter .service()

Add scope check to ProcessBuilder.start()

Block if start() occurs while inside service()

# DEMO: PREVENTING COMMAND INJECTION

Create accurate appsec visibility in OPS

```
20-Apr-2020 12:34:43.750 INFO [localhost-startStop-1] org.apache.catalina.core.ContainerBase.addChildInternalContainerBase addChildInternal: deployDirectory Deploying web application directory /opt/ticketbook/8.5.43/webapps/host-manager]
20-Apr-2020 12:34:43.762 WARNING [localhost-startStop-1] org.apache.catalina.core.ContainerBase.addChildInternalContainerBase addChildInternal: Config.validateSecurityRoles Security role name being defined in a <security-role>
20-Apr-2020 12:34:43.767 INFO [localhost-startStop-1] org.apache.catalina.core.ContainerBase.addChildInternalContainerBase addChildInternal: deployDirectory Deployment of web application /opt/ticketbook/8.5.43/webapps/host-manager] has finished
20-Apr-2020 12:34:43.770 INFO [main] org.apache.catalina.startup.Catalina startServer
20-Apr-2020 12:34:43.780 INFO [main] org.apache.catalina.startup.Catalina startServer
20-Apr-2020 12:34:43.782 INFO [main] org.apache.catalina.startup.Catalina startServer
[...]
Execing: /usr/bin/open -a Calculator
WARNING: Access to java.lang.ProcessBuilder.start() from within javax.servlet.Servlet.service() scope prevented by security sandbox.
[...]
ProtocolHandler ["http-nio-8080"]
20-Apr-2020 15:01:24.893 INFO [Thread-5] org.apache.catalina.startup.Catalina startServer
ProtocolHandler ["ajp-nio-8009"]
```

The screenshot shows a browser window with the URL `localhost:8080/ticketbook/cmd.jsp`. The main content is an **HTTP Status 500 – Internal Server Error**. A red box highlights the **Message** section, which reads: **java.lang.SecurityException: Access to java.lang.ProcessBuilder.start() from within javax.servlet.Servlet.service() scope prevented by security sandbox.** Below this, the **Description** is: **The server encountered an unexpected condition that prevented it from fulfilling the request.** The **Exception** stack trace is listed, starting with **org.apache.jasper.JasperException**. At the bottom, the **Root Cause** also points to the same **java.lang.SecurityException**.

**Type** Exception Report

**Message** java.lang.SecurityException: Access to java.lang.ProcessBuilder.start() from within javax.servlet.Servlet.service() scope prevented by security sandbox.

**Description** The server encountered an unexpected condition that prevented it from fulfilling the request.

**Exception**

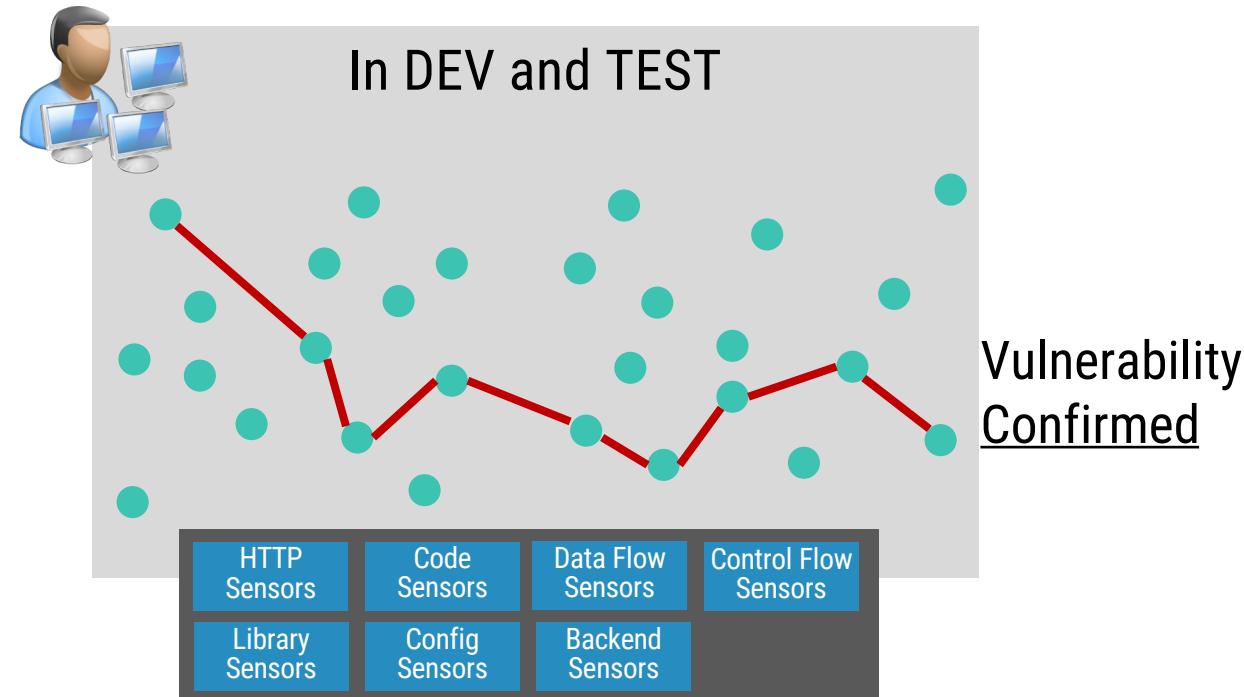
org.apache.jasper.JasperException: java.lang.SecurityException: Access to java.lang.ProcessBuilder.start() from within javax.servlet.Servlet.service() scope prevented by security sandbox.  
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServletWrapper.handleJspException(JspServletWrapper.java:400)  
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServletWrapper.service(JspServletWrapper.java:290)  
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServlet.serviceJspFile(JspServlet.java:386)  
org.apache.jasper.servlet.JspServlet.service(JspServlet.java:330)  
javax.servlet.http.HttpServlet.service(HttpServlet.java:741)  
org.apache.tomcat.websocket.server.WsFilter.doFilter(WsFilter.java:52)

**Root Cause**

java.lang.SecurityException: Access to java.lang.ProcessBuilder.start() from within javax.servlet.Servlet.service() scope prevented by security sandbox.  
java.base/java.lang.ProcessBuilder.start(ProcessBuilder.java:1073)  
java.base/java.lang.Runtime.exec(Runtime.java:591)  
java.base/java.lang.Runtime.exec(Runtime.java:415)  
java.base/java.lang.Runtime.exec(Runtime.java:312)  
org.apache.jsp.cmd\_jsp.\_jspService(cmd\_jsp.java:135)

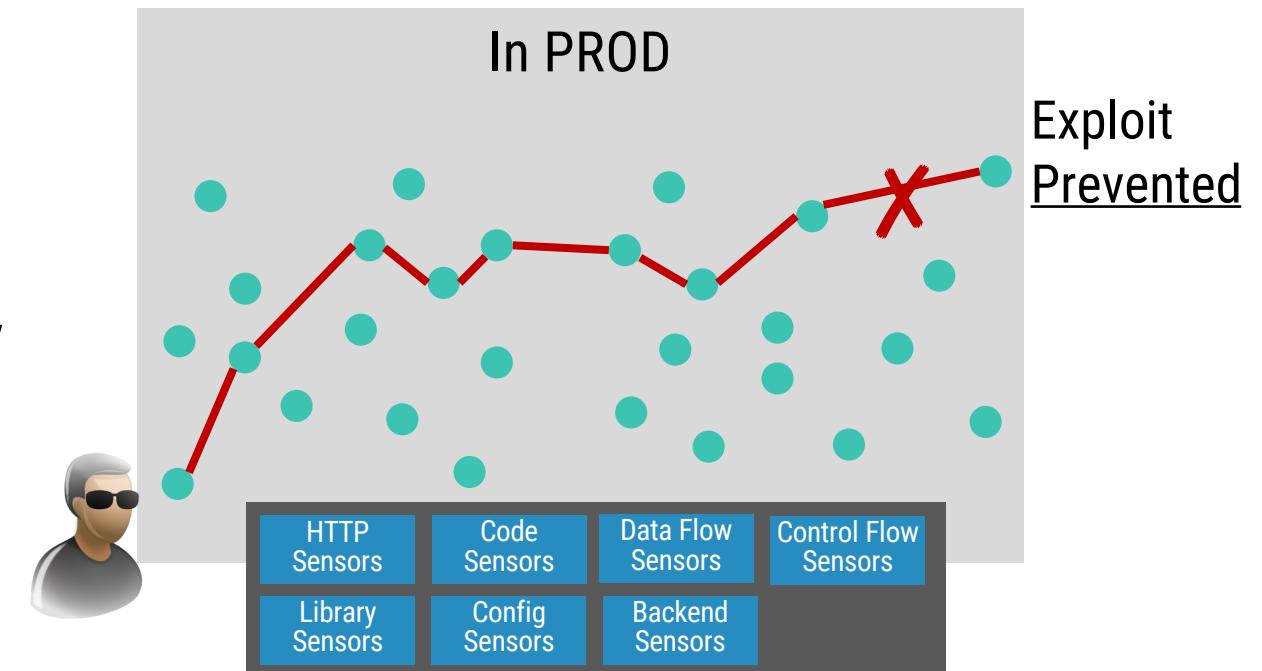
# IAST

Interactive Application Security Testing  
detects vulnerabilities in both custom  
code and libraries during normal use

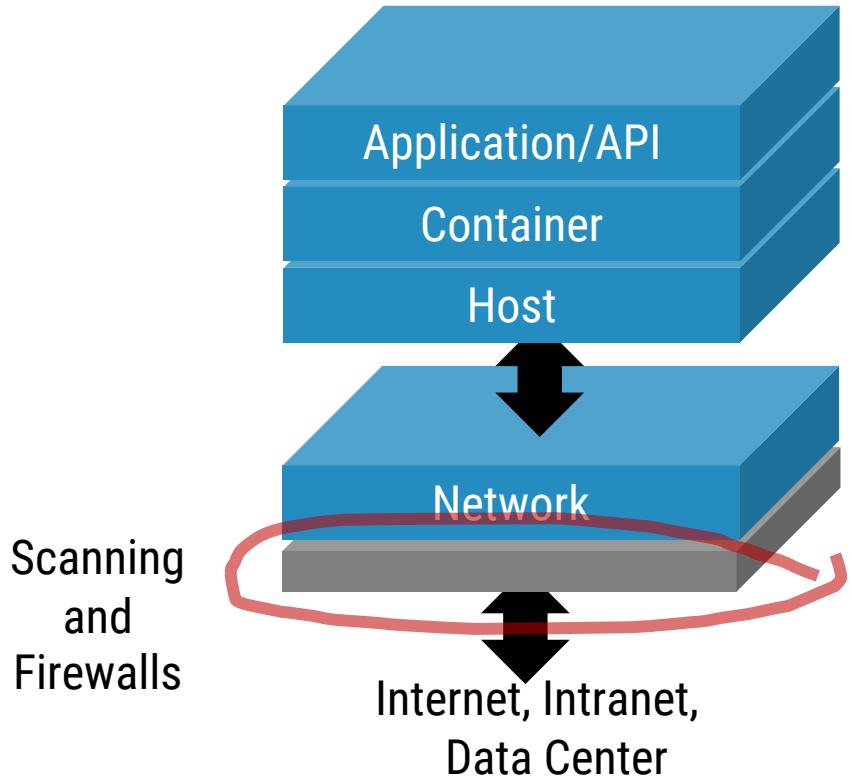


# RASP

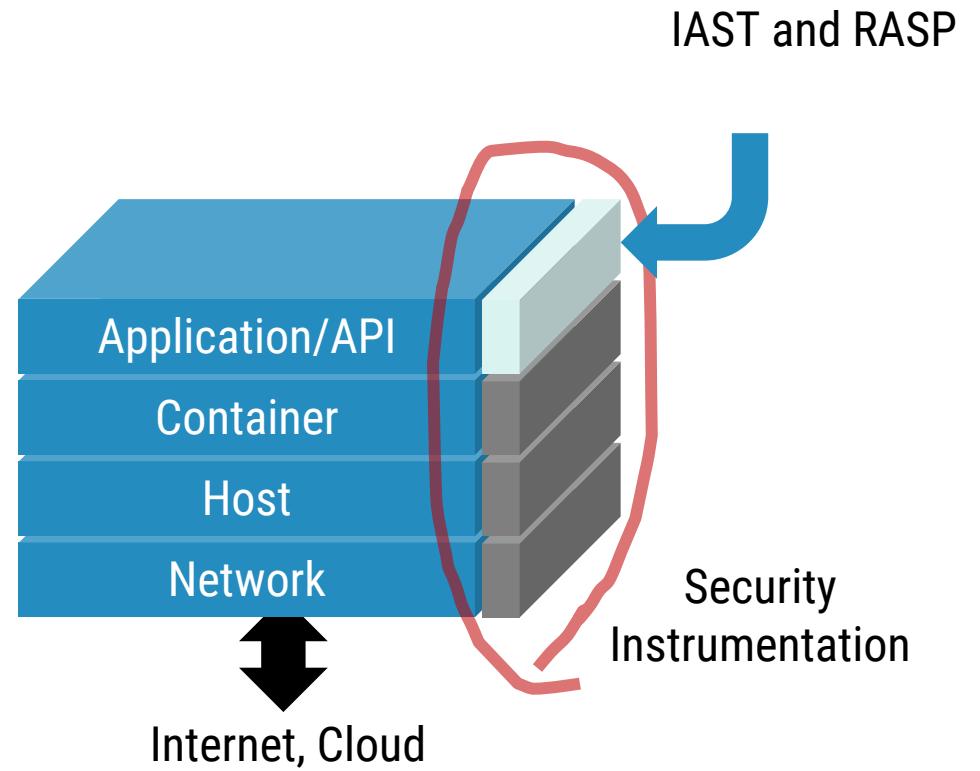
Runtime Application Self-Protection  
detects attacks and prevents exploits in  
both custom code and libraries



# SECURITY WORKS BETTER FROM INSIDE-OUT



**Yesterday:** Scanning and firewalling at network layer



**Today:** Security Instrumentation means accuracy, speed, scalability

# SECURITY INSTRUMENTATION STANDARDS



NIST 800-53

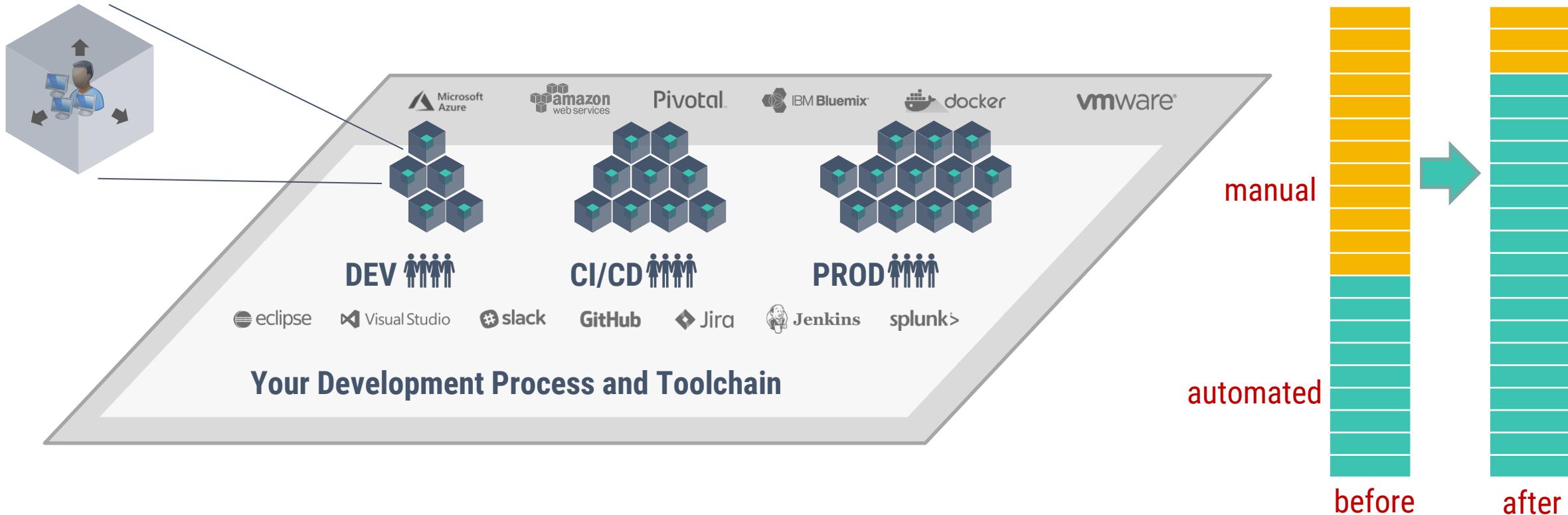
- **SA-11(9) | INTERACTIVE APPLICATION SECURITY TESTING**  
Require the developer of the system, system component, or system service to employ **interactive application security testing (IAST)** tools to identify flaws and document the results.

- **SI-7(17) | RUNTIME APPLICATION SELF-PROTECTION**  
Implement [Assignment: organization-defined controls] for application self-protection at runtime (RASP).



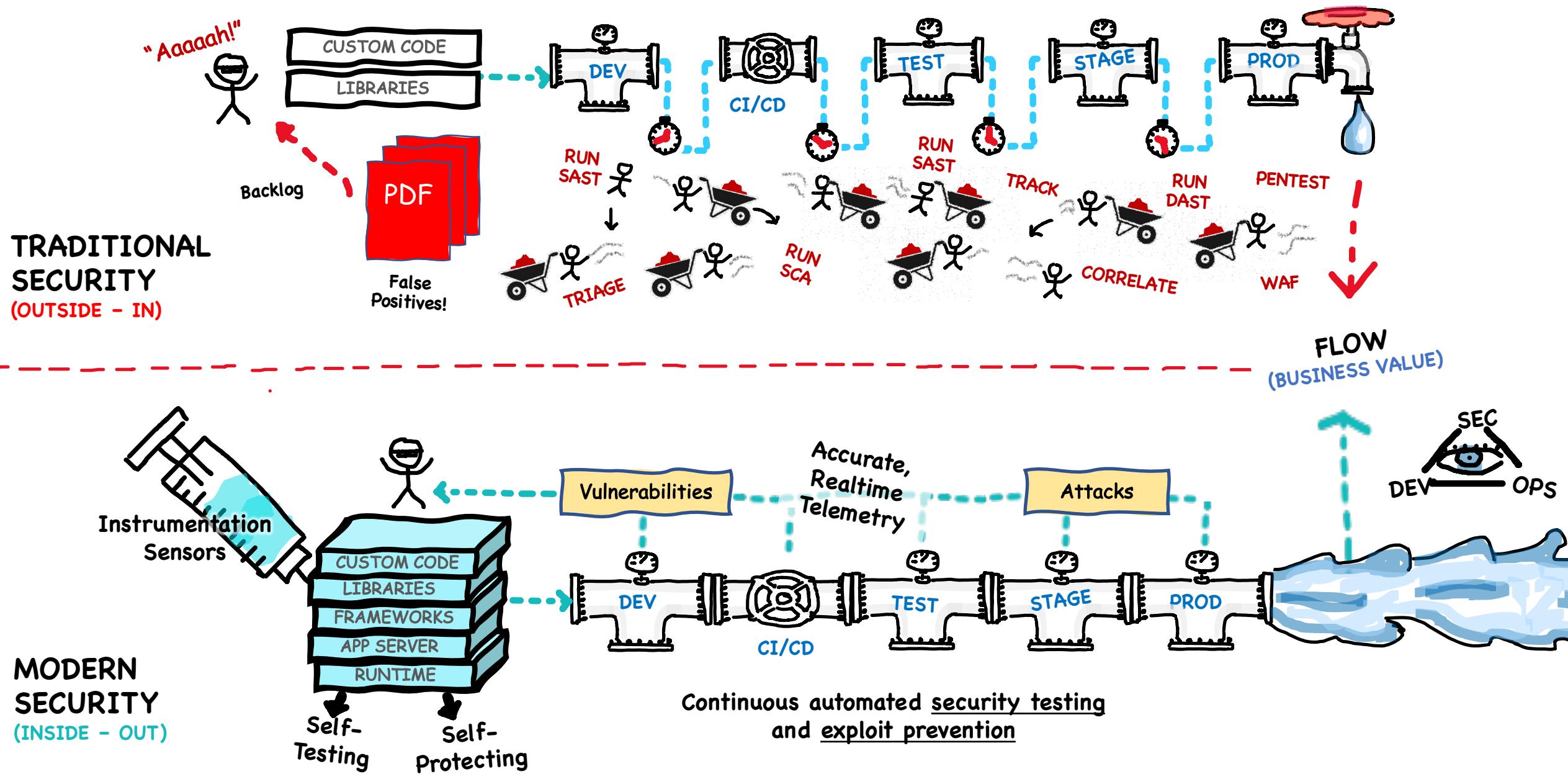
- **SSS 9.1 | RUNTIME APPLICATION SELF-PROTECTION**  
The software detects and alerts upon detection of anomalous behavior, such as changes in postdeployment configurations or obvious **attack behavior**.
- **SSS 10.2 | INTERACTIVE APPLICATION SECURITY TESTING**  
Vulnerabilities in the software and third-party components are tested for and fixed prior to release using ... [techniques including]... **interactive application security testing (IAST)** ....

# TURNING SECURITY INTO CODE



**...ACTUALLY, THE REAL VULNERABILITIES ARE IN THE PIPELINE ITSELF**

# APPSEC'S ABILITY TO DELIVER VALUE TO CUSTOMERS, FASTER



A collage of images showing people working on laptops and a person writing on a whiteboard.

Development

Harmony

Security



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COMING SOON



This screenshot shows the Contrast RASP (Runtime Application Self Protection) interface. It displays a table of detected attacks across multiple servers. The columns include Source IP, Application, Server, Role, Start, End, and Events. Attacks listed include Command Injection, Cross-Site Scripting, Path Traversal, and SQL Injection.

This screenshot shows the Contrast IAST (Interactive Application Security Testing) interface. It displays a table of vulnerabilities found in an application. The columns include Open, Find Vulnerability, Set Date Range, Severity, Application, Last Detected, and Status. Specific vulnerabilities listed include Hibernate Injection from "lastName" Parameter on "/owners" page, Parameter Pollution on 1 page, and Session Reverting Allowed in Application or Server Configuration.

This screenshot shows the Contrast SCA (Software Composition Analysis) interface. It features a dashboard with a pie chart of known vulnerabilities across 1223 libraries, a bar chart of average years out of date for 1504 libraries, and a table of specific vulnerabilities found in work-core-2.2.1.jar and struts2-core-2.5.16.jar.

Protect against attacks with RASP

Find vulnerabilities with IAST

Secure open-source with SCA



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