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# SBOMs are coming

## How will Python help?

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# Agenda

Introducing  
SBOMs

How  
Python will  
help

Summary

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Runner



**STEM**  
AMBASSADORS



**CoderDojo**



# Can you answer these?

Why do I need to  
an SBOM?

How do I create  
an SBOM?

What can I do  
with an SBOM?

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**Why do we now need  
Software Bill of Materials  
if we haven't needed them in  
the past?**





CyberSecurity!

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We no longer **understand**  
how our software is  
**constructed** or works

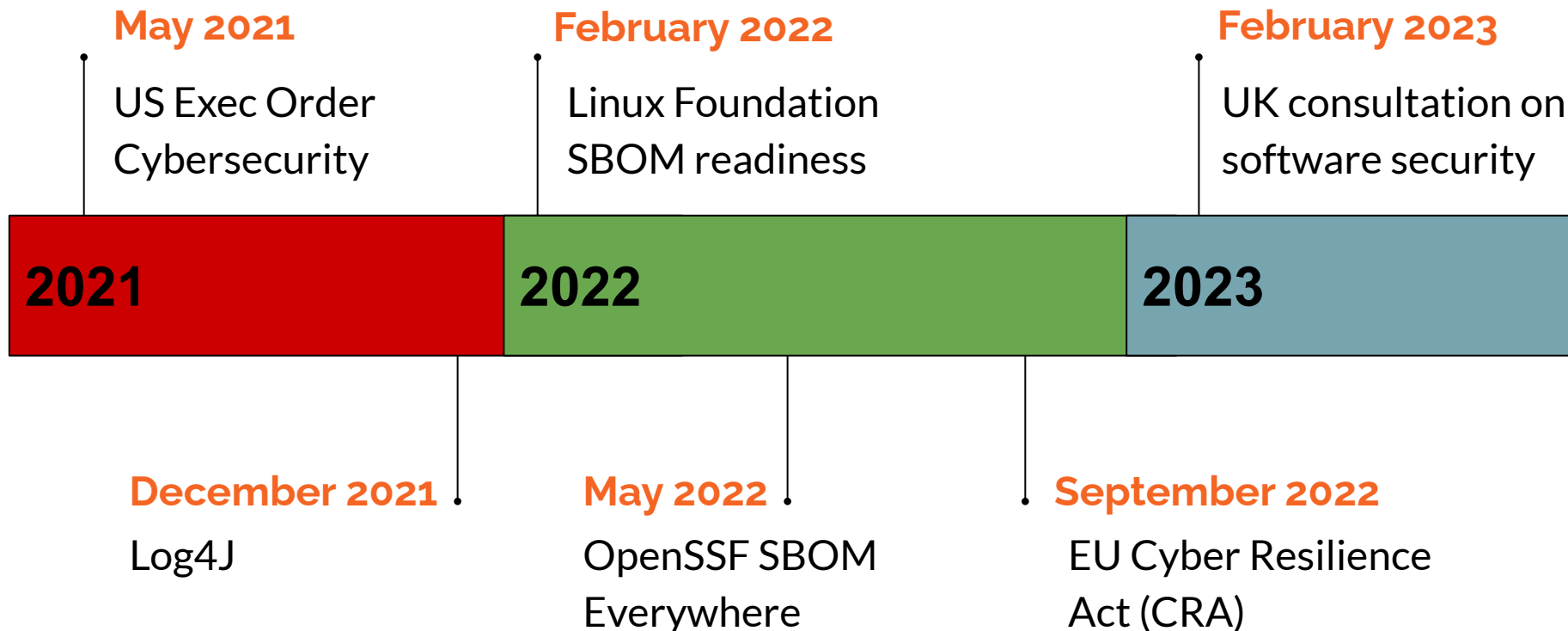






- A SBOM is a **formal set of machine-readable metadata** describing your software application
- SBOMs are designed to be **shared within and across organizations**
- SBOMs form an important part of a software **risk strategy**

# Increasing awareness of SBOMs



# Two primary standards and formats....

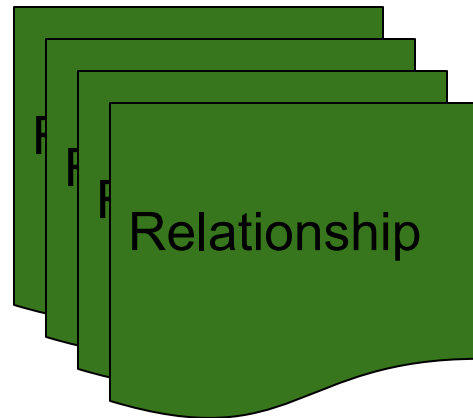
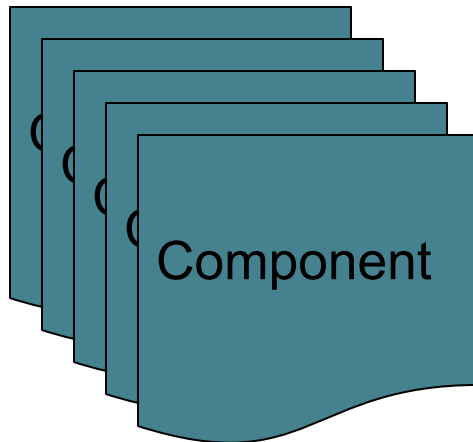
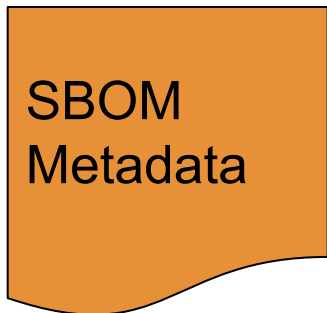


<https://spdx.org/>



<https://cyclonedx.org/>

# SBOM Content



# Component Metadata

**Component Name**

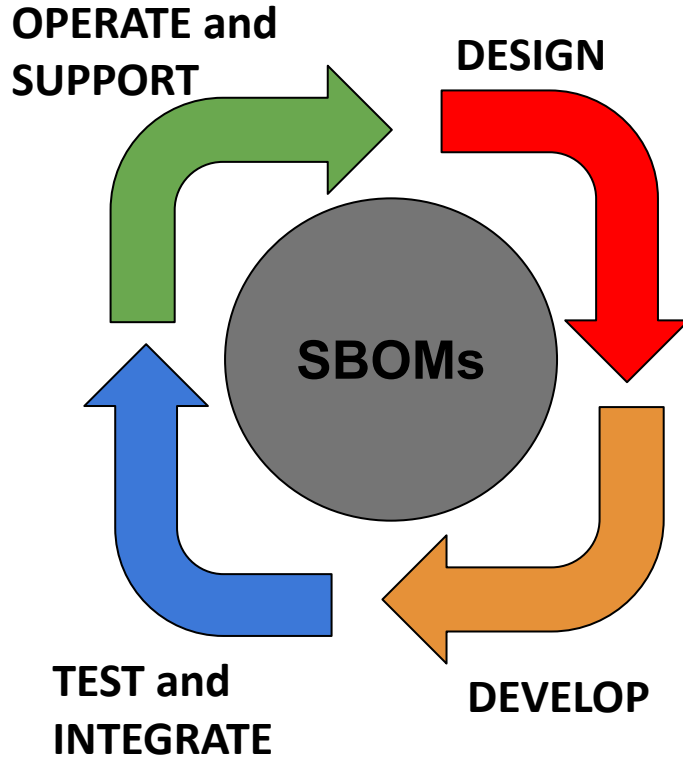
**Component Supplier**

**Component Version**

**Component License**

```
PackageName: sbom4files  
SPDXID: SPDXRef-Package-1-sbom4files  
PackageVersion: 0.2.0  
PackageSupplier: Person: Anthony Harrison (antho  
PackageDownloadLocation: NOASSERTION  
FilesAnalyzed: false  
PackageHomePage: https://github.com/anthonyharri  
PackageLicenseConcluded: Apache-2.0  
PackageLicenseDeclared: Apache-2.0  
PackageCopyrightText: NOASSERTION  
PackageSummary: SBOM generator for files in a di  
ExternalRef: PACKAGE-MANAGER purl pkg:pypi/sbom4  
ExternalRef: SECURITY cpe23Type cpe:2.3:a:anthon
```

# SBOMs are used throughout the lifecycle



- 3rd party component selection
- Source files in build
- Applications built
- Component dependencies
- Build composition
- Build integrity
- Change Management
- Vulnerability Monitoring
- Obsolete software detection



# SBOM Interested Parties

*Development, Operations*



*Security (CISO, CIO,  
Compliance, Risk)*

*Component*

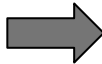


*Product*



*Solution*

**Developer**



**Supplier**



**Integrator**



**End User**

**SBOM Producer**

**SBOM Consumer**



# SBOM Tooling

# SBOM Creation



**sbom4files**

**sbom4python**

**distro2sbom**

# sbom4files

- Licence, copyright information, checksum, type of file

```
FileName: ./sbom4files/cli.py
SPDXID: SPDXRef-File-2-cli
FileChecksum: SHA1: bc045c292bac3175f80e9b2a0101c32cf5ac4792
FileChecksum: SHA256: dac51da8c922e22d8007152e29dd0fafa7fbef90e59e9f06ec1c2c98ff58f138
FileChecksum: SHA512: 225a4c66726a6c6c5185bbb1326e23343dac15530debbae028e45913b4cc66c13cf5f
FileType: SOURCE
FileType: TEXT
LicenseConcluded: Apache-2.0
LicenseInfoInFile: Apache-2.0
LicenseComments: <text>This information was automatically extracted from the file.</text>
FileCopyrightText: (C) 2023 Anthony Harrison
```

# sbom4python

- Direct and transitive dependencies, supplier and licences

```
PackageName: sbom4files
SPDXID: SPDXRef-Package-1-sbom4files
PackageVersion: 0.2.0
PackageSupplier: Person: Anthony Harrison (anthony.p.harrison@gmail.com)
PackageDownloadLocation: NOASSERTION
FilesAnalyzed: false
PackageHomePage: https://github.com/anthonyharrison/sbom4files
PackageLicenseConcluded: Apache-2.0
PackageLicenseDeclared: Apache-2.0
PackageCopyrightText: NOASSERTION
PackageSummary: SBOM generator for files in a directory
ExternalRef: PACKAGE-MANAGER purl pkg:pypi/sbom4files@0.2.0
ExternalRef: SECURITY cpe23Type cpe:2.3:a:anthony_harrison:sbom4files:0.2.0:::*:*:*:*:*
```

# distro2sbom

- SBOM for Installed modules (RPMs, Debian, Windows)

```
PackageName: bash
SPDXID: SPDXRef-Package-2-bash
PackageVersion: 5.1.8
PackageSupplier: Organization: AlmaLinux Packaging Team (packager@almalinux.org)
PackageDownloadLocation: NOASSERTION
FilesAnalyzed: false
PackageHomePage: https://www.gnu.org/software/bash
PackageLicenseConcluded: GPLv3+
PackageLicenseDeclared: GPLv3+
PackageCopyrightText: NOASSERTION
PackageSummary: The GNU Bourne Again shell
```



# Lack of consistency of License Metadata

<b>Apache 2.0</b>	
<b>Apache License, Version 2.0</b>	
<b>Apache 2</b>	
<b>Apache</b>	
<b>Apache-2.0</b>	<b>Valid SPDX License identifier</b>

# Component Naming

- Multiple ways of specifying component name
- CPE (Common Platform Enumeration) e.g.  
***cpe:2.3:a:django:project:django:3.2.1:\*:\*:\*:\*:\*:\****
- PURL (Package URL) e.g. ***pkg:pypi/django@3.2.1***

# Supplier

- Where did the component come from?
- Need to distinguish between developer, a distributor or integrator



A photograph of a park in autumn. The ground is covered in fallen brown and orange leaves. Several trees with sparse foliage stand in a misty background. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a soft glow and long shadows. The text "One SBOM is not enough" is overlaid in a bold, orange font.

**One SBOM is not enough**

# SBOM Management



**sbom-manager**

**sbomdiff**

**sbomaudit**

# Managing SBOMs – Typical Use Cases

- Does my project/product use version X of component Y?
- What version(s) of component Y is being used?
- Is my organisation impacted by a vulnerability with component X?
- What vulnerabilities exist within my product?
- Has anything changed?
- How good is the SBOM?



# sbom-manager

- Manage a collection of SBOMs in a number of formats
- Identify the set of components included in a software release.
- Tools to support a number of common use cases.

```
$ sbom-manager --module sudo
```

SBOM	Project	Description	Product	Version
centos.files	Centos	Version 7	sudo	1.8.23

```
$ sbom-manager --module log4j
```

```
No data found
```

# sbomdiff

- Changed license, new (or deleted) components, changed version

```
[REMOVED] ucf: (Version 3.0043)
[VERSION] coreutils: Version changed from 9.1 to 8.32
[LICENSE] coreutils: License changed from NOASSERTION to GPLv3+
[REMOVED] sensible-utils: (Version 0.0.17)
[REMOVED] libxext6: (Version 2)
[VERSION] shared-mime-info: Version changed from 2.2 to 2.1
[LICENSE] shared-mime-info: License changed from NOASSERTION to GPLv2+
[VERSION] libxml2: Version changed from 2.9.14 to 2.9.13
[LICENSE] libxml2: License changed from NOASSERTION to MIT
[REMOVED] libtext-glob-perl: (Version 0.11)
[REMOVED] debianutils: (Version 5.7)
[ADDED ] bash: (Version 5.1.8)
[ADDED ] filesystem: (Version 3.16)
[ADDED ] setup: (Version 2.13.7)
[ADDED ] python3: (Version 3.9.14)
[ADDED ] python3-libs: (Version 3.9.14)
```

# sbomaudit

- Included SPDX licence, minimum contents, latest version (Python)

## Package Summary

```
[x] Allowed Package check for package click
[x] Supplier included for package click
[x] Version included for package click
[x] License included for package click
[x] SPDX Compatible License id included for package click
[ ] Allowed License check for package click: BSD-3-Clause not allowed
[ ] Using latest version of package click: Version is 8.1.2; latest is 8.1.3
[x] NTIA compliant
```

# SBOM Governance



cve-bin-tool

sbom2dot

sbom2doc

# cve-bin-tool

- A binary scanner which helps determine which packages/libraries are vulnerable
- Scans SBOMs for vulnerabilities
- Produces a list of components with reported CVEs and associated severity

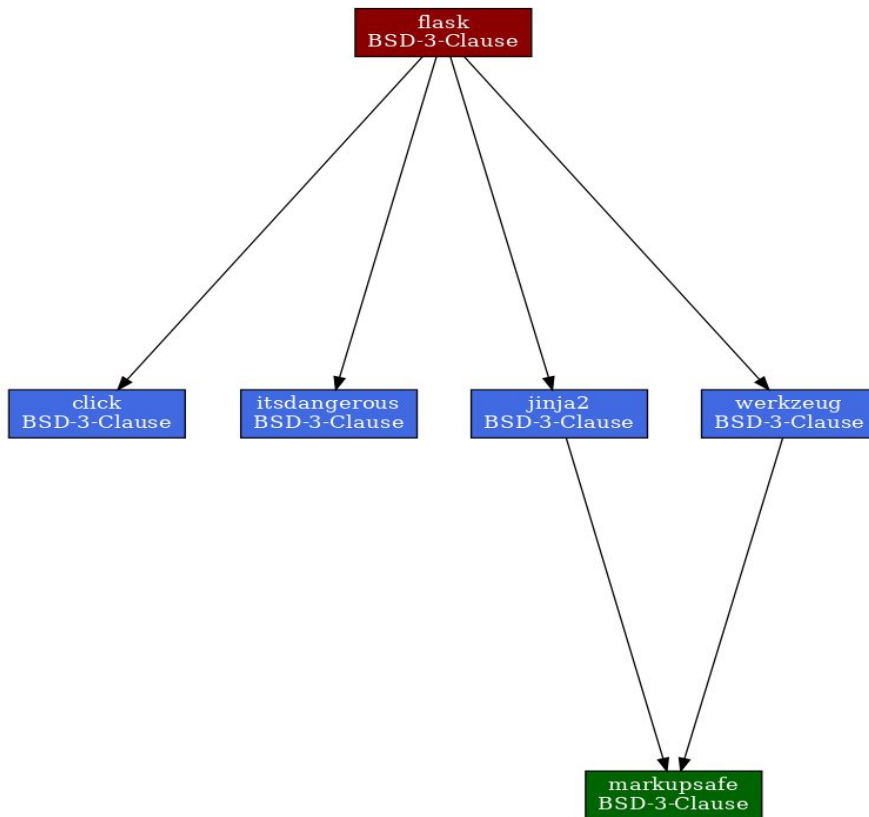


# sbom2dot

Dependencies

Relationships

Licenses





# sbom2doc

PDF

Markdown

Console

## SBOM Summary

Item	Details
SBOM File	/tmp/click.json
SBOM Type	cyclonedx
Version	1.4
Name	Python-click
Creator	tool:sbom4python
Created	2023-03-02T11:58:30Z
Files	0
Packages	1
Relationships	1

## Package Summary

Name	Version	Supplier	License
click	8.1.2	Armin Ronacher	BSD-3-Clause

## License Summary

License	Count
BSD-3-Clause	1

# Summary





- SBOMs are becoming a growing and important part of the **software development lifecycle**
- SBOMs provide enhanced **dependency management**
- SBOMs provide a key role to supporting better **risk management**

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**SBOMs are only as good as the data which is provided.**  
**Everyone** is responsible for improving this data.

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# Resources/Links

<https://www.linuxfoundation.org/tools/the-state-of-software-bill-of-materials-sbom-and-cybersecurity-readiness/>

<https://openssf.org/oss-security-mobilization-plan/>

<https://www.ntia.doc.gov/report/2021/minimum-elements-software-bill-materials-sbom>

<https://github.com/anthonyharrison>

<https://github.com/intel/cve-bin-tool>

<https://www.bcs.org/articles-opinion-and-research/manage-risk-with-a-software-bill-of-materials/>

# Questions?



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