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WTF is in your software?







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WTF is in your software?



Package management is messy

- No standard package manifest format
- No standard version constraint format
- No standard version resolution approach
- Direct vs transitive dependencies
- Libraries and minimum version constraints



Let's start with a simple example



Let's publish our app

```
$ dotnet publish
Microsoft (R) Build Engine version 17.0.0-preview-21460-01+8f208e609 for .NET
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Determining projects to restore...
Restored /home/user/code/PackageExample.csproj (in 48.92 sec).
PackageExample -> /home/user/code/bin/Debug/net5.0/linux-x64/PackageExample.dll
PackageExample -> /home/user/code/bin/Debug/net5.0/linux-x64/publish/

$ peres --file-version bin/Debug/net5.0/linux-x64/System.Text.Json.dll
File Version: 5.0.921.35908
$ echo "WTF? That doesn't seem right."
```



Let's check the package

```
$ wget https://api.nuget.org/v3-flatcontainer/system.text.json/4.6.0/system.text.json.4.6.0.nupkg
...
2021-10-27 14:51:40 (784 KB/s) - '4.6.0' saved [393906/393906]
$ unzip system.text.json.4.6.0.nupkg
...
$ peres --file-version lib/netstandard2.0/System.Text.Json.dll
File Version:
4.700.19.46214
```



Ok, let's use a package lock file

```
<Project Sdk="Microsoft.NET.Sdk">
 <PropertyGroup>
   <OutputType>Exe
   <TargetFramework>net5.0</TargetFramework>
   <RuntimeIdentifier>linux-x64/RuntimeIdentifier>
   <SelfContained>True</SelfContained>
   <RestorePackagesWithLockFile>true/RestorePackagesWithLockFile>
   <RestoreLockedMode>true
 </PropertyGroup>
 <ItemGroup>
   <PackageReference Include="System.Text.Json" Version="4.6.0" />
 </ItemGroup>
</Project>
```



Let's check our package lock file

```
$ dotnet restore
  Determining projects to restore...
  Restored /home/user/code/PackageExample.csproj (in 234 ms).
$ cat packages.lock.json
  "version": 1,
  "dependencies": {
    ".NETCoreApp, Version=v5.0": {
      "System.Text.Json": {
        "type": "Direct",
        "requested": "[4.6.0, )",
        "resolved": "4.6.0",
         contentHash": "4F8Xe+JIkVoDJ8hDAZ7HqLkjctN/6WItJIzQaifBwClC7wmoLSda/Sv2i6i1kycqDb3hWF4JCVbpAweyOKHEUA=="
    ".NETCoreApp, Version=v5.0/linux-x64": {}
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$ echo "Seriously? Again!"
```



WTF is happening?

Restore dependency resolution

VS

Build dependency resolution



Package version resolution

These version references all mean >= 4.6.0

- C# (NuGet) Version="4.6.0"
- Python (pip) >= 4.6.0
- Node.js (npm) "^4.6.0"



Package version resolution

With a version constraint of >= 4.6.0

- C# (NuGet) will resolve the minimum possible version
- Python (pip) will resolve the latest version
- Node.js (npm) will resolve the latest 4.6 version



What do we need? SBOM!

- Software Bill of Materials
- A nested inventory of all dependencies
- Standard, ecosystem agnostic format



Achievable use cases

- Security lots and lots of security use cases
- Inventory of components and services
- Supply chain management
- License compliance
 - ... many, many more



Existing SBOM standards

CycloneDX

- Modern standard
- OWASP Foundation
- Security focused
- Largest ecosystem of available tools

SPDX

- Older standard
- Linux Foundation
- License and intellectual property focused



OWASP Dependency-Track

- Consumes and analyzes SBOMs at high velocity
- Ideal for use in modern DevSecOps pipelines
- Ideal for procurement and M&A
- Identifies security, license, and operational risk
- Quickly identify if impacted, and where

https://dependencytrack.org/



OWASP SCVS

Software Component Verification Standard

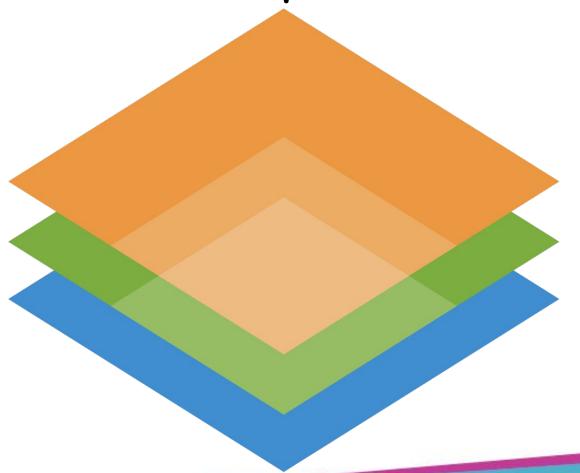
- Measure and improve software supply chain assurance
- Six control families
 - Inventory
 - Software Bill of Materials (SBOM)
 - Build Environment
 - Package Management
 - Component Analysis
 - Pedigree and Provenance

https://owasp.org/scvs



OWASP SCVS

Software Component Verification Standard



Level 3 - Critical infrastructure, safety, and end-to-end software supply chain transparency

Level 2 - Regulatory/contractual requirements. Use with risk management frameworks

Level 1 - Implementation of best practices



Links to more information

OWASP CycloneDX https://cyclonedx.org/

SPDX https://spdx.dev/

OWASP Dependency-Track https://dependencytrack.org/

OWASP SCVS https://owasp-scvs.gitbook.io/scvs/