SECURITY SHIFT WOST



Secure Architecture

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What Is "Shift Left" on Security?

"By better integrating information security (InfoSec) objectives into daily work, teams can achieve higher levels of software delivery performance and build more secure systems. This idea is also known as **shifting left**, because concerns, including security concerns, are addressed earlier in the software development lifecycle (that is, left in a left-to-right schedule diagram)."

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DevOps tech: Shifting left on security

A Modern Shift-Left Security Approach



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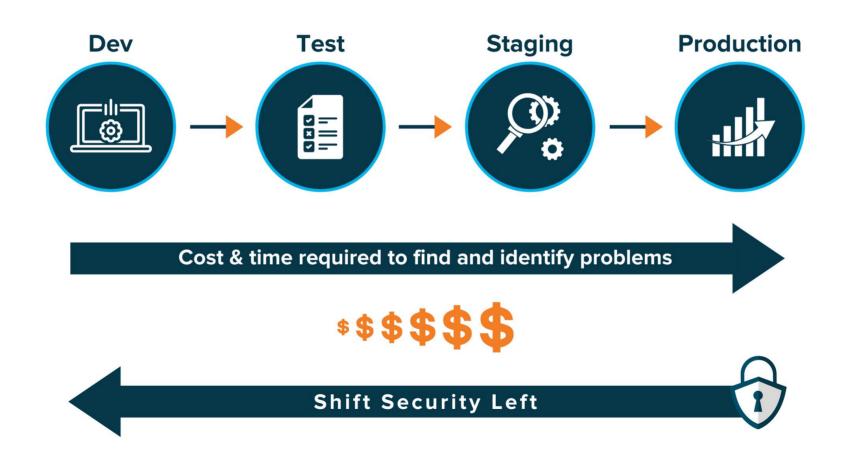


GETTY

The concept of shifting security left is not new, but historically this has meant little more than inserting security processes in the middle of development and slowing everything down. In this article, I'll describe older shift-left methods that have not worked — and how a modern approach to shifting left can have a high impact on risk reduction and create a healthy balance of freedom and responsibility for cloud-native development teams.

I believe CISOs have no choice but to embrace this industry change. They must enable development teams to move faster while simultaneously reducing the

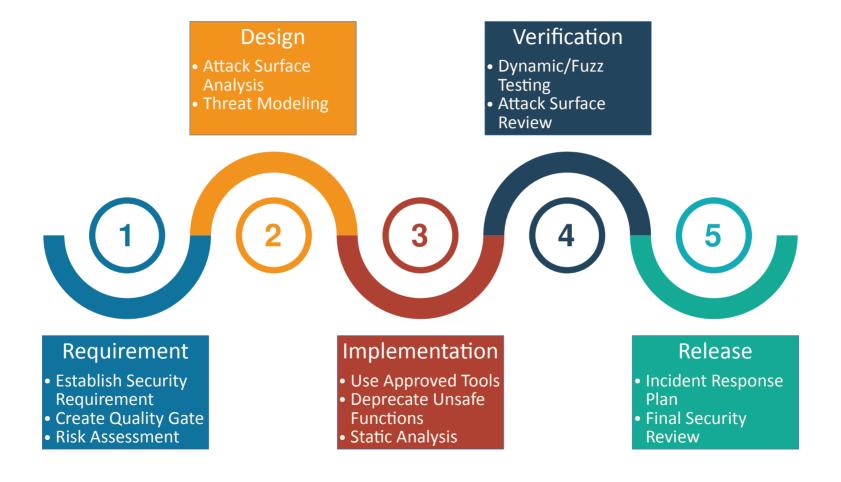
DevSecOps' Security "Shift Left"



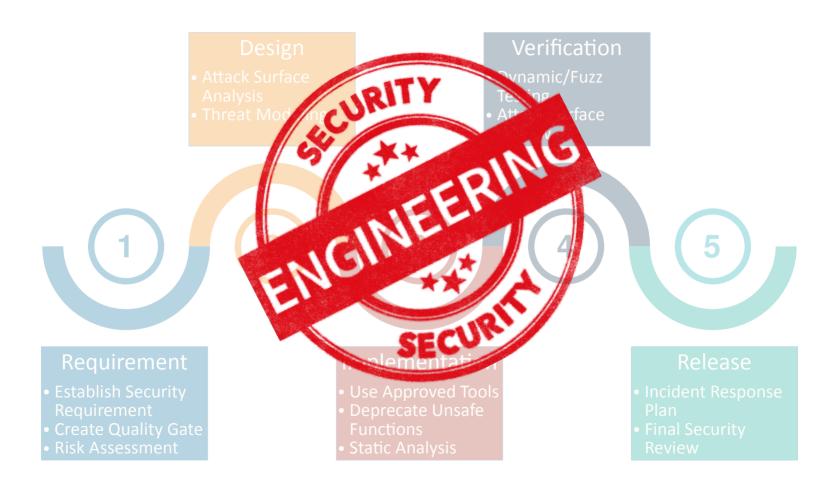
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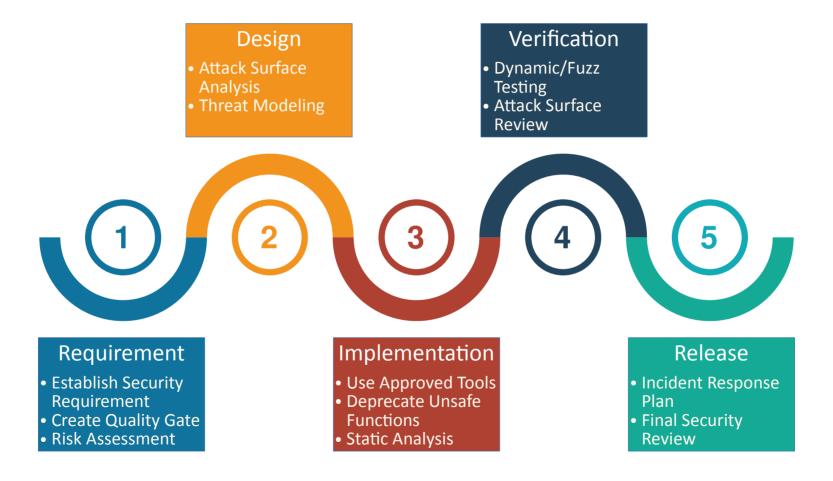
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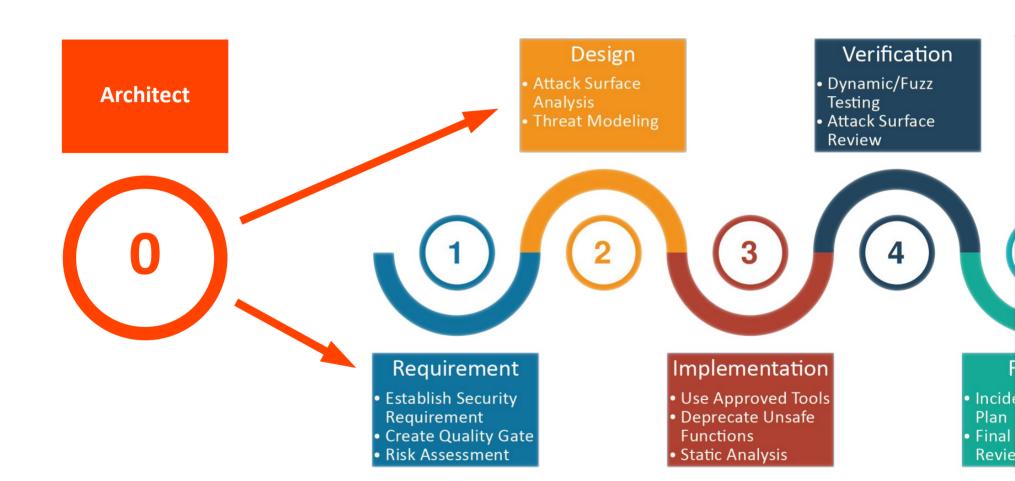
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What is the Leftmost?



What is the Leftmost?





Architecting: Enterprise Application Infrastructure

- Identity and access management
 - Internal users
 - Customers
- Cryptographic and key management
- Data sharing platform
- Security requirement
- Security quality gate guideline
- Security patterns (design & integration patterns)
- Threat and vulnerability catalog

Identity and Access Management IAM & CIAM



Internal users:

Employees

Needs to meet a minimum standard – employees will have training. Enterprise Directories

SSO, directories, SaaS app access control, authentication, MFA, employee provisioning, delegated admin.



MANAGEES MANTITIES IDEN: FOR:

External users:

- Customers
- Contractors
- Citizens
- Partners
- Things
- APIs

USERIENCE

Customers expect a good UX and will not accept services that require training.

IDENTITERS

- Social Login
- Enterprise Directories
- Bank IDs
- Regional elDs
- Digital ID Schemes

CAPABILITIES

Registration, Customer SSO, identity proofing, strong authentication & MFA, authorisation workflows, consent management, delegated authority, identity data and attribute directories.



Identity and Access Management IAM & CIAM

IAM

Predictable number of users, typically significantly fewer employees than customers HR/IT – can be relatively manual.

The organisation owns and operates the data of a user.

Not designed to add revenue. Implemented to achieve security, operational efficiency and internal compliance goals.



Significantly more users than IAM, must be able to scale at a higher rate



User themselves (self-service), plus support desks. Must support complex delegation workflows.



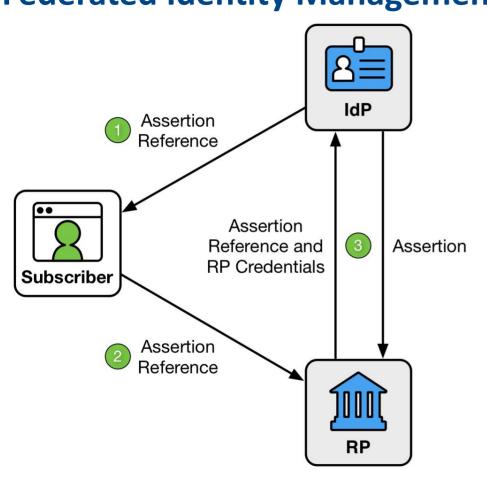
The external user must be in control of their own data. Must help achieve GDPR. Consider Identity data a high target risk for breach attacks.



Will positively impact customer conversion and engagement goals. Will help reduce support desk costs and deliver customer-facing operational efficiency.



Identity and Access Management Federated Identity Management: Back Channel Assertion



- The subscriber is given an assertion reference to present to the RP, generally through the front channel.
- The assertion reference itself contains no information about the subscriber and SHALL be resistant to tampering and fabrication by an attacker.

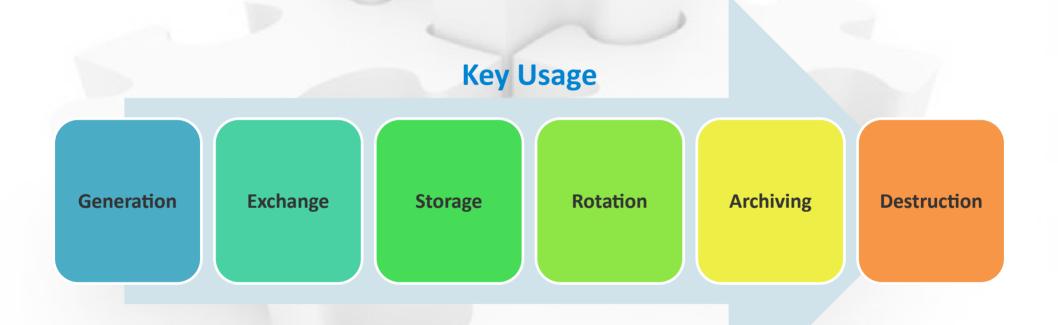
Cryptographic and Key Management

- How can we encourage developers adopt Hardware Security Module (HSM) and key management process?
- How can we ensure that developers properly implement only approved cryptography algorithm?
- How can we help applications rotate keys properly and correctly?
- If we need stronger encryption algorithm or longer key length in the future, how can we migrate the encrypted data without application modification?

Real World Cryptography Implementation

- Cryptographic algorithms and parameters
 - Symmetric: 3DES, AES / Asymmetric: RSA, ECC
 - Key size
 - Initialization Vector (IV) / Starting Variable (SV) / Nonce
 - Mode: ECB, CBC, CFB, etc.
 - Padding
- Key controls and key management
- Key change/exchange procedures
- Cryptographic toolkits
- Random number/seed generators

Key Management Framework



Threat and Vulnerability Catalog

- SANS CWE Top 25
- OWASP Top 10 2021
- OWASP Mobile Top 10
- OWASP Application Security Verification Standard (ASVS)

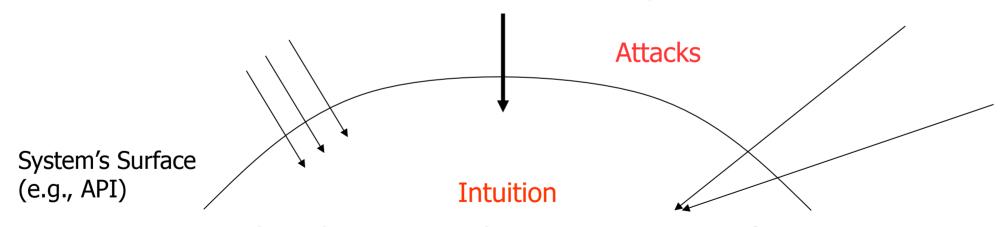


Architecting: Project Specific

- Architecture Risk Assessment
 - Architecture security review
 - Attack surface analysis
 - Threat modeling
- Security Architecture and Design
 - Security solutions in response to business and compliance requirements
 - Mitigation and controls in response to risk assessment
- Security Implementation
- Security Operations and Monitoring Integration

Attack Surface

A software or application's attack surface is the measure of its exposure of being exploited by a threat agent, i.e., weaknesses in its entry and exit points that a malicious attacker can exploit to his or her advantage.



Reduce the ways attackers can penetrate surface Increase system's security

Attack Surface Analysis

- Attack Surface Analysis helps you to:
 - Identify what functions and what parts of the system you need to review/test for security vulnerabilities
 - Identify high risk areas of code that require defense-in-depth protection - what parts of the system that you need to defend
 - Identify when you have changed the attack surface and need to do some kind of threat assessment
- Goal attack surface analysis is to reduce the attack surface by:
 - Lower privilege
 - Turn features off
 - Defense in depth

What Is Threat Modeling?

Threat modeling is an approach for analyzing the security system. It is a structured approach that enables you to identify, quantify, and address the security risks associated with a system.

Threat Model Typically Includes

- Description of the subject to be modeled
- Assumptions that can be checked or challenged in the future as the threat landscape changes
- Potential threats to the system
- Actions that can be taken to mitigate each threat
- A way of validating the model and threats, and verification of success of actions taken

Threat Modeling: Four Question Framework



What are we working on?



What are we going to do about it?



What can go wrong?



Did we do a good job?

