

Open Source and Commercial Vulnerability Scanning

A Cloud Native Security Case Study

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How to understand the decision process between open source and commercial

Cloud Native Security Case Study





The Decision Points; personal impact

The decision depends on your own needs and environment; there is no right or wrong

Time to value

Fit with longer-term needs

Fit to purpose

Management overhead

Vendor guarantees

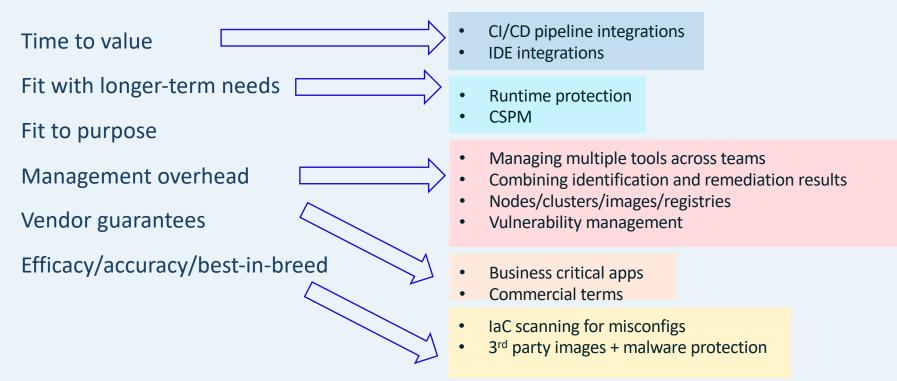
Efficacy/accuracy/best-in-breed

UI
Complexity
Integrations
Prioritization and filtering of results
Enterprise scale

SLAS
Support
Educational support



How personal impact applies to vulnerability scanning







The Case Study

Use open source to get started with vulnerability scanning





You are completing a cloud native security certification and courses and require a quick, easy scanning tool

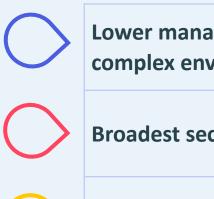
You require vulnerability scanning for applications that are not business-critical

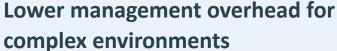
You will be working with less complex, less distributed architectures





Use Aqua Enterprise when you need. . .







Meeting specific enterprise needs



Continuous protection into runtime



- Vuln. Mgmt:
 Actionable results,
 automation and a
 feedback loop
- Also scans for standalone binaries
- Can be repackaged by MSPs
- Option for follow-up runtime policy



- Command line and manually exporting into external visualization tool
- Will not scan files installed outside package managers
- Commercial licensing limitations
- Fail or allow CI job based on vulnerability data



Use Aqua Enterprise when you need holistic vulnerability management



Actionable results and a feedback loop



- Risk-based insights for visualization in relation to relevance and exploitability
- vShield with prebuilt policies to mitigate without fixing or patching
- A feedback loop enables further prioritization of highest impact vulnerabilities for remediation



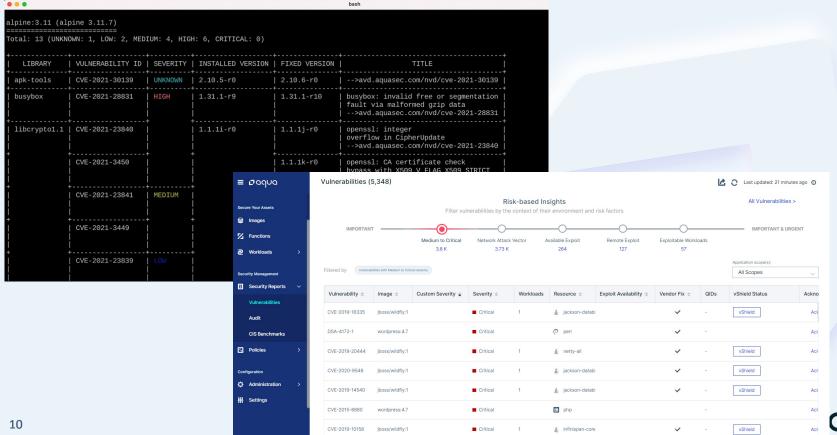
- Vulnerabilities filtered in command line
- Integration with external tool required to visualize outside of the command line
- Exporting to a UI requires exporting and uploading



"Don't take this from us"

- SRE lead, Trivy user

Demo





Management overhead is a real price tag



Complex build pipeline spanning multiple registries and teams?

Concerned with management overhead of an entire suite of security tools?

Requirement to combine scanning and remediation results into an external system?



Are you protecting business-critical apps?



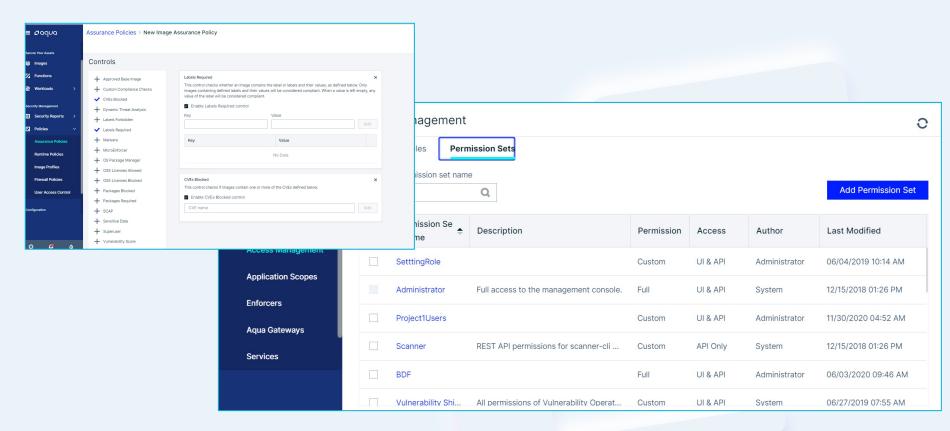
- Data aggregation and assurance policies across all systems
- Details available directly in the UI & RBAC
- OOTB integrations with 3rd party tools
- Runtime policies from drop-down menu



- No default aggregation of data into a UI
- See detailed data info in separate screen with AVD
- Basic plugin capabilities
- Rego scripts for OPA policies based on vuln. data



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But open source has great value for the right use-cases

GitLab Product Manager Sam White on their choice of Trivy for Auto DevOps:

"When we see an enhancement or we hear a need from our customers that's shared by the Trivy product as well, we can push that upstream into the open source project and make that available for anyone and everyone who's using Trivy, regardless of whether or not they're using GitLab."



Complex build pipeline spanning multiple registries and teams

"How can we patch more than 100,000 vulnerability findings in images across more than 1,300 image repositories, without chasing around 100 project teams and 1,700 engineers?"

- <u>Medium article 3rd party example of real effort</u> involved with staying open source



Broad security coverage requires more than vulnerability scanning



Does your security team require the most accuracy possible?

Is your security team responsible for malware and an array of threats?

Do any of your images come from third parties or public libraries?

Do you want a production pipeline clean from more than vulnerabilities?



- Aqua Enterprise uses CyberCenter5, curated by our threat research team
- Scans for malware
- Scans serverless functions
- A container sandbox to identify supply chain attacks

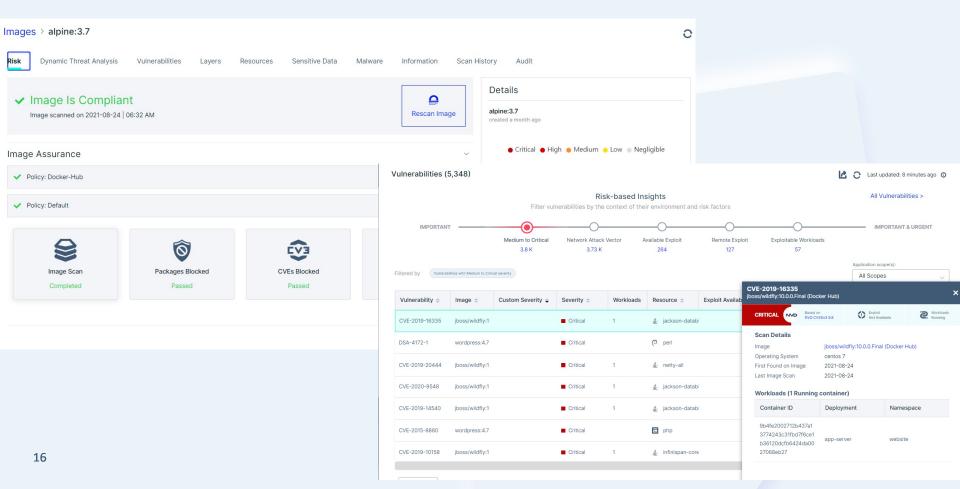


- Aqua Trivy's Aqua AVD is available publicly
- Vulnerability scanning





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To summarize

Decision points are not mutually exclusive . . . just doing the decision-point exercise that matters

In general, you are going to get more management overhead with open source, but quicker time to value

Vulnerability scanning should not be viewed in a vacuum . . . e.g. Trivy has IaC capabilities as well

Open source is being used in production regularly



