

Enterprise code security 101

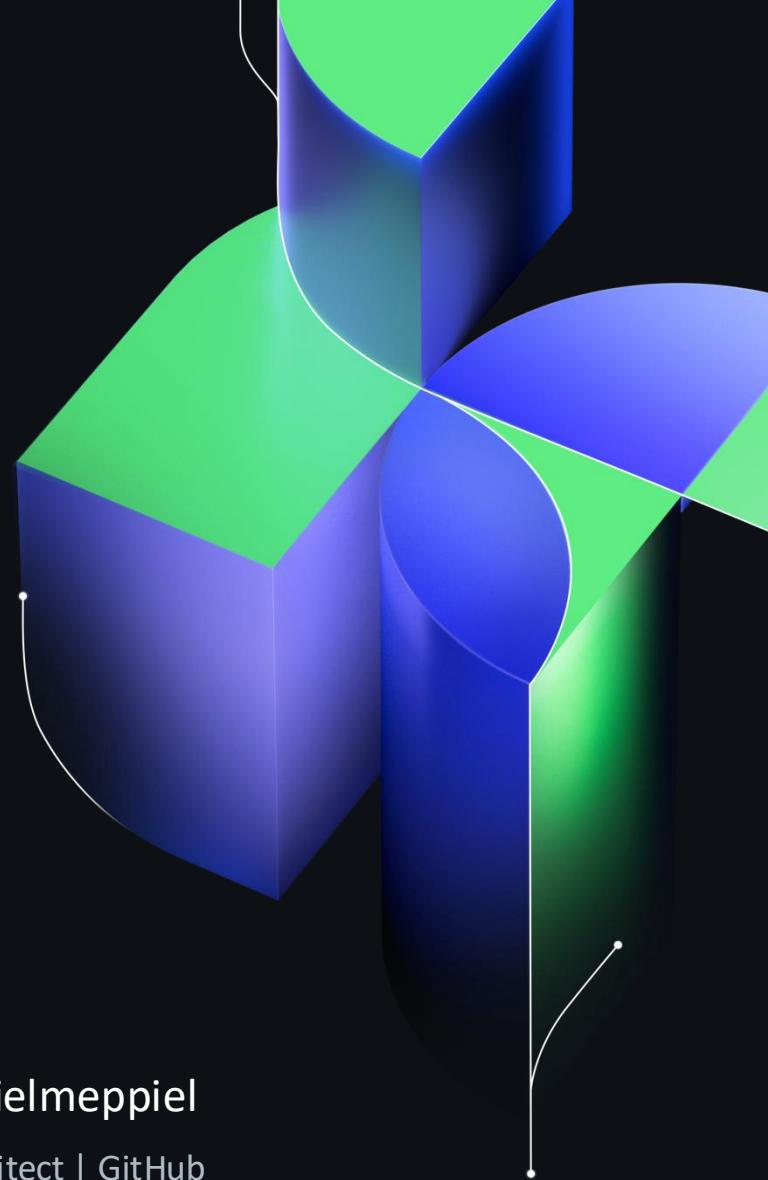
Getting started with GitHub Advanced Security



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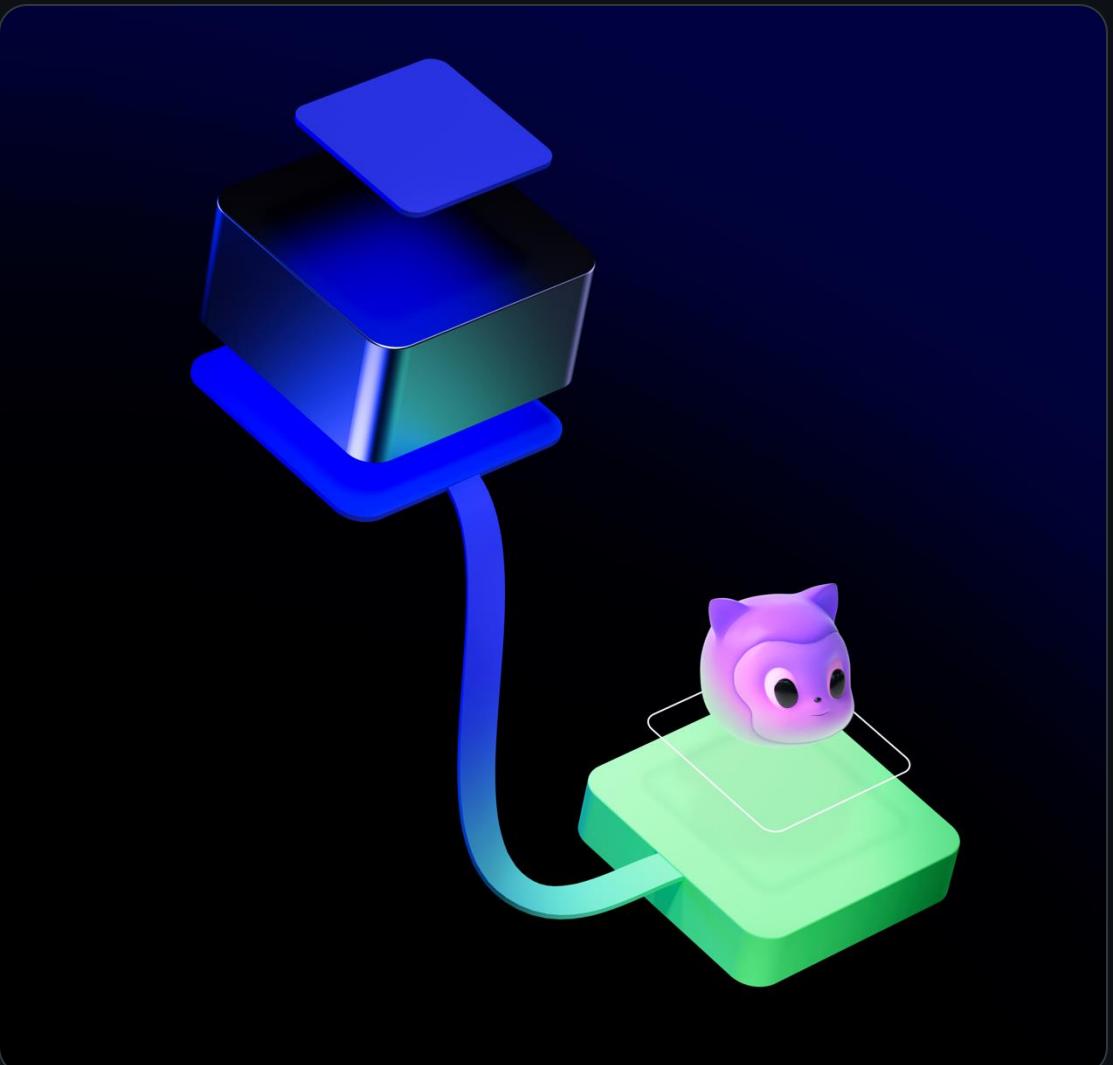
Agenda

01 Intro 10 min

02 Hands-on 60 min

- Learn and understand how to configure GitHub Advanced Security for a repository
- Learn how to block vulnerable code before it reaches production
- Discover how to scale GitHub Advanced Security setup and policies for thousands of repositories

03 Closure 20 min

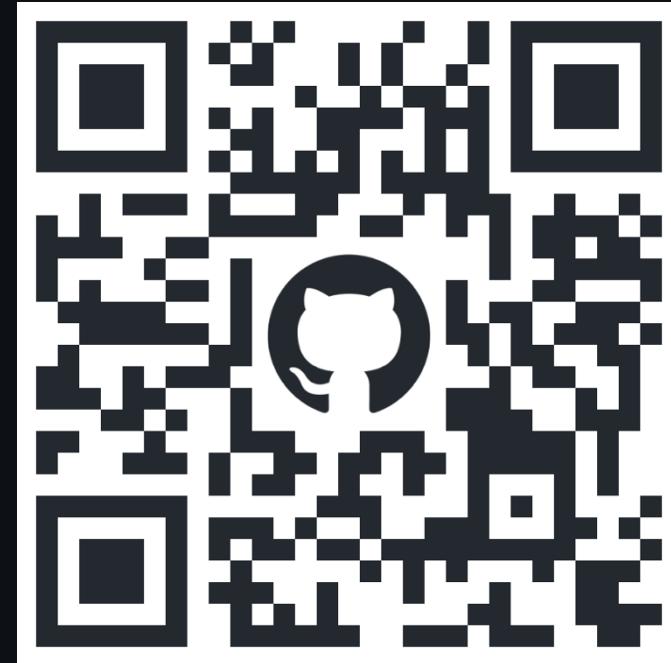


How are we going to run this?

- As much hands-on as possible
- Interactive!
 - Nobody falls asleep here 😊
- Exercises 💪
- Have fun 😃 !

Interactive!

Keep your phone 📱 close!



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Timer: 10-min



Exercises



1. Demos first

2. Dedicated time for you to do the  exercises yourself 

Workshop environment

- Surface machine  – *Only available during workshop*
- Surface machine account – *Username and password*
- Microsoft login account - *Email address and password*
- GitHub sandbox environment - *GitHub organization*

Poll question

Are you up and running?

Please wait 🐻

Troubleshooting 🤔 :

1. Check if you have entered the correct username and password
2. Help your neighbour out! 🐻
3. If all fails: 🙌 Raise your hand



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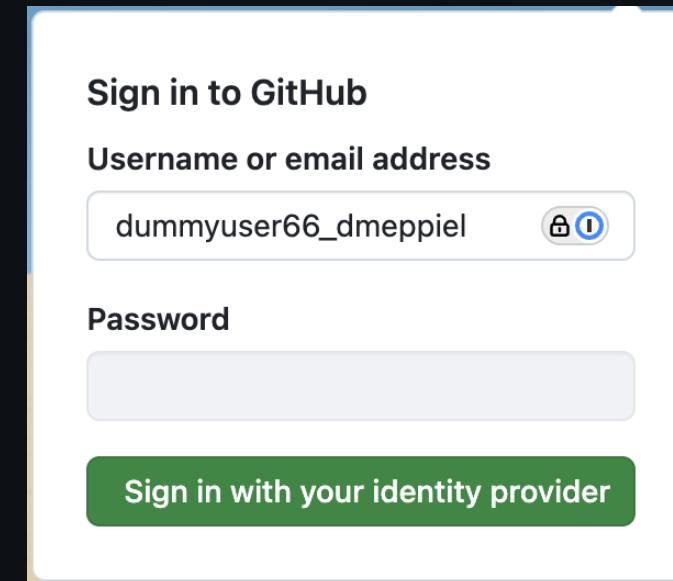
Try it out!

1. Login on your machine with the **Surface** credentials, open a browser

2. Go to: <https://github.com/org-dummyuser<X>-dmeppiel>
Example: <https://github.com/org-dummyuser66-dmeppiel>

3. Put in your GitHub handle
Example: dummyuser66_dmeppiel

4. Use the provided **Microsoft** credentials to login
Example: dummyuser66@dmeppielorg.onmicrosoft.com



2-min

20 responses submitted

Are you up and running?

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Yep, all good to go!

Treemap

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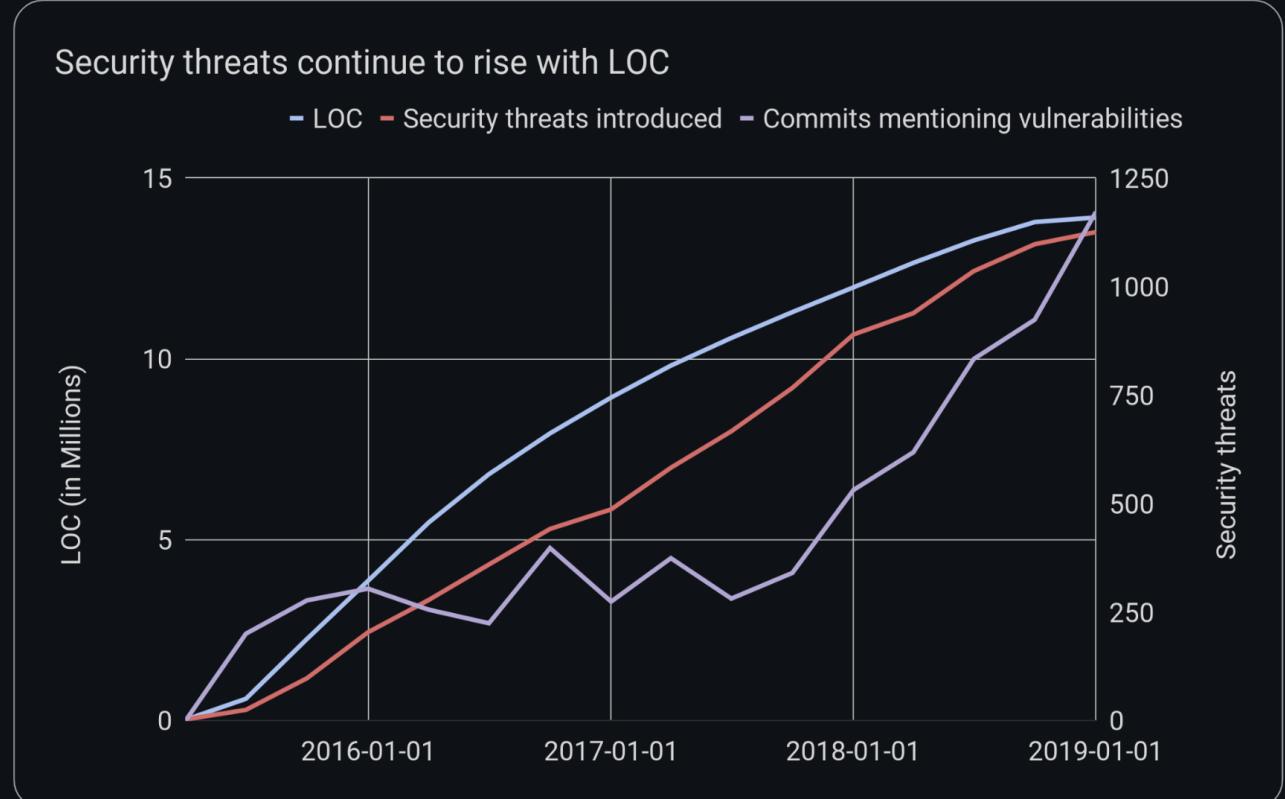
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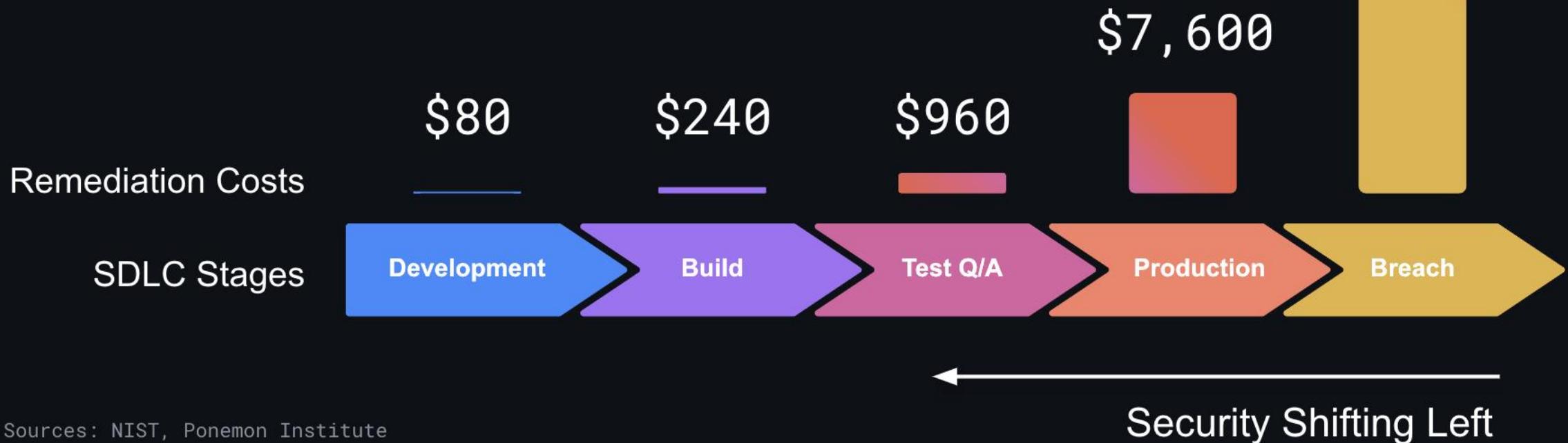
- Learn what **GitHub Advanced Security** is!
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Despite increasing developer awareness, security threats continue to rise



\$ Millions

Solution: Shift security left, but how?



Sources: NIST, Ponemon Institute

Community-~~& AI-powered~~ security and compliance



Dependency insights
Real-time inventory
License compliance
Vulnerability alerting



Vulnerability Management
Automated code scanning
Private secret scanning
Secrets push protection
Largest vulnerability database
Automated security updates



CodeQL
World's most advanced code analysis
Vulnerability hunting tool
Community of top security experts

Enabling at Enterprise Level

Already done for you in the workshop environments!

 GitHub Enterprise

Users managed by EMU Meppiel, Inc.

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 Overview

 Organizations

 People

 Identity provider

 Policies

 GitHub Connect

 Code Security

 Settings

 Compliance

Overview (Beta) Give feedback

 README

 Write something about this enterprise

Communicate important information about your enterprise to all enterprise members



Explore more

 Visit the [Enterprise changelog](#) to stay updated on everything we ship.

 Visit [GitHub Support](#) to browse resources, and contact support.

 Search and view documentation for GitHub Enterprise.

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Billing

Enterprise licensing

Authentication security

Code security

Verified & approved domains

Audit log

Hooks

Hosted compute networking

GitHub Apps

Announcement

Support

 Compliance

Configure security and analysis features

Security and analysis features help keep your repositories secure and updated. By enabling these features, you're granting us permission to perform read-only analysis on your organizations' repositories.

Dependabot

Keep your dependencies secure and up-to-date. [Learn more about Dependabot](#).

Dependabot alerts

Receive alerts for vulnerabilities that affect your dependencies and manually generate Dependabot pull requests to resolve these vulnerabilities. [Configure alert notifications](#).

Automatically enable for new repositories

 **GitHub Advanced Security**

GitHub Advanced Security features are billed per active committer in private and internal repositories. The features are free of charge in public repositories. [Learn more about GitHub Advanced Security](#).

Automatically enable for new private and internal repositories

GitHub Advanced Security for user namespace repositories

GitHub Advanced Security features are billed per active committer in user namespace repositories.

Automatically enable for new user namespace repositories

Secret scanning

Receive alerts on GitHub for detected secrets, keys, or other tokens.

Automatically enable for new public repositories and repositories with GitHub Advanced Security enabled

Scan for generic secrets

Copilot Secret Scanning detects passwords using AI. [Learn more about generic secret detection](#).

Validity checks

Verify secret's validity by sending it to the relevant partner.

Automatically enable for repositories added to secret scanning

Non-provider patterns

Scan for non-provider patterns

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Learn how to configure GitHub Advanced Security for a Repository

 Exercise coming up!

Poll question

How difficult do you
find it to configure
security protections
for your repos?

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23 responses submitted

How difficult do you find it to configure security protections for your repos?

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Watch and chill



Try it out!

- Go to the exercise file →

Done already 🎉 ?

→ Help your neighbour out! 🙋



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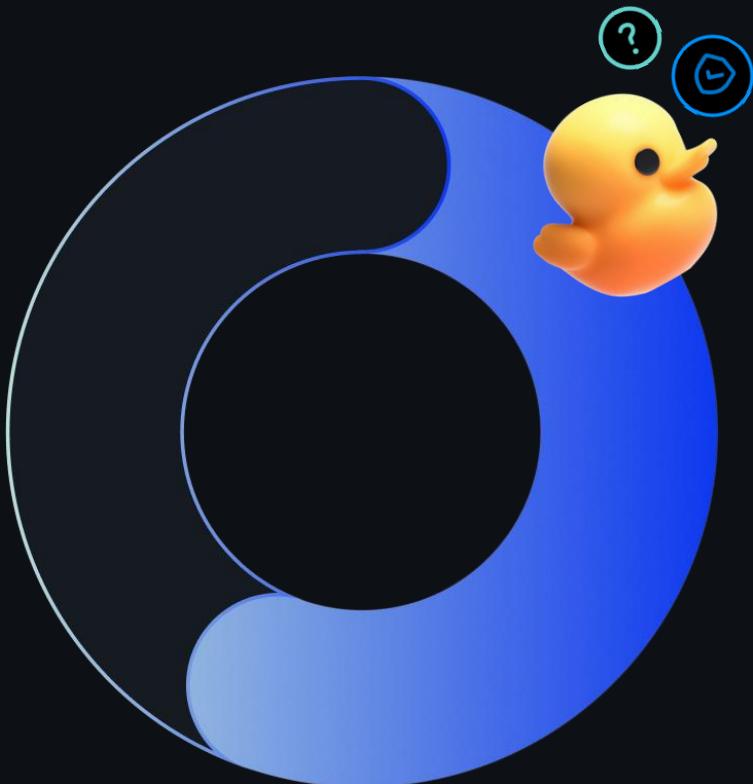
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Learn how to configure GitHub Advanced Security for a Repository

What have we done

- 1. Enabled Dependabot**
- 2. Added security measures on the pull request**
 - Created a workflow including the `Dependency review` action
- 3. Enabled Code Scanning**
 - Default setup
- 4. Enabled Secret Scanning**



**Detecting vulnerabilities in production is too late;
breaches may have occurred
and fixing them is exponentially costlier**

NIST, Ponemon Institute

Understand ways to block vulnerable code before it reaches production

 Exercise coming up!

Security built into the Developer Lifecycle

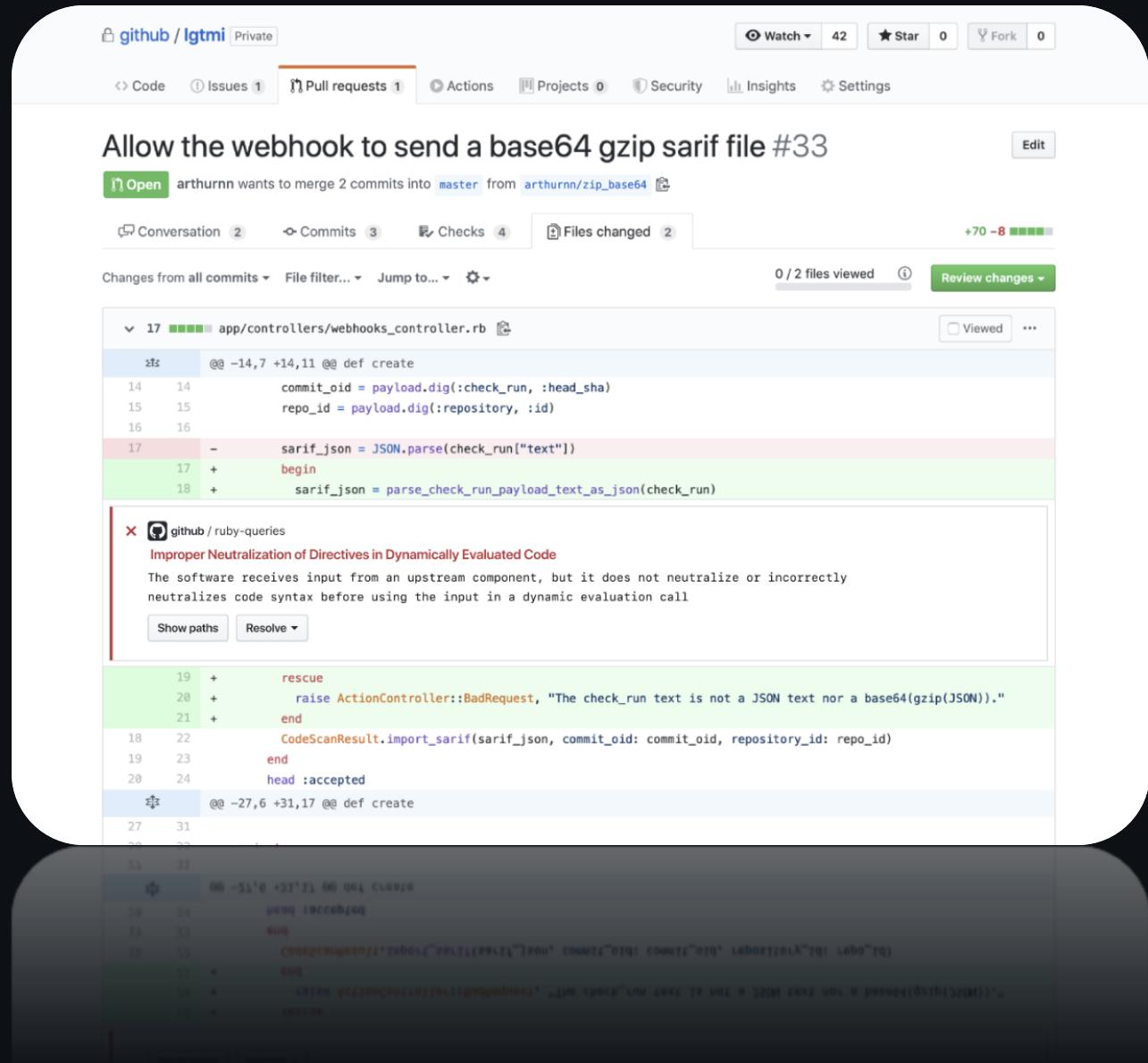


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It is all about keeping your code secure through a Pull Request – or earlier

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Poll question

What ‘**bad**’ or ‘**dirty**’ things did you do (or found) in code that made it all the way into **production**?

30-sec



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25 responses submitted

What 'bad' or 'dirty' things did you do (or found) in code that made it all the way into production?



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25 responses submitted

Which had the most impact to remediate / fix those in production?

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Hardcoded Secrets or Configuration values

Implemented Anti Patterns / Bad practices (intentional/ unintentional)

Use of Unknown or Old/Unsafe Packages



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Try it out!

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Done already 🎉 ?

→ Help your neighbour out! 🤝



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10-min



Understand ways to block vulnerable code before it reaches production

What have we done

1. Repository branch ruleset

- Protect the `main` branch
- Require a *Pull Request* before merging
- Require successfull `Status Checks`
- Require successfull `Code Scanning` results
 - No vulnerabilities

2. Enabled Secret Push Protection

Discover how to scale GitHub Advanced Security to thousands of Repositories

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₂— Exercise coming up!

Poll question

**Do enterprise-wide
code security policies
generally make
developers
unhappier?**

30-sec



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0 response submitted

Do enterprise-wide code security policies generally make developers unhappier?

Yes

No



Treemap

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Try it out!

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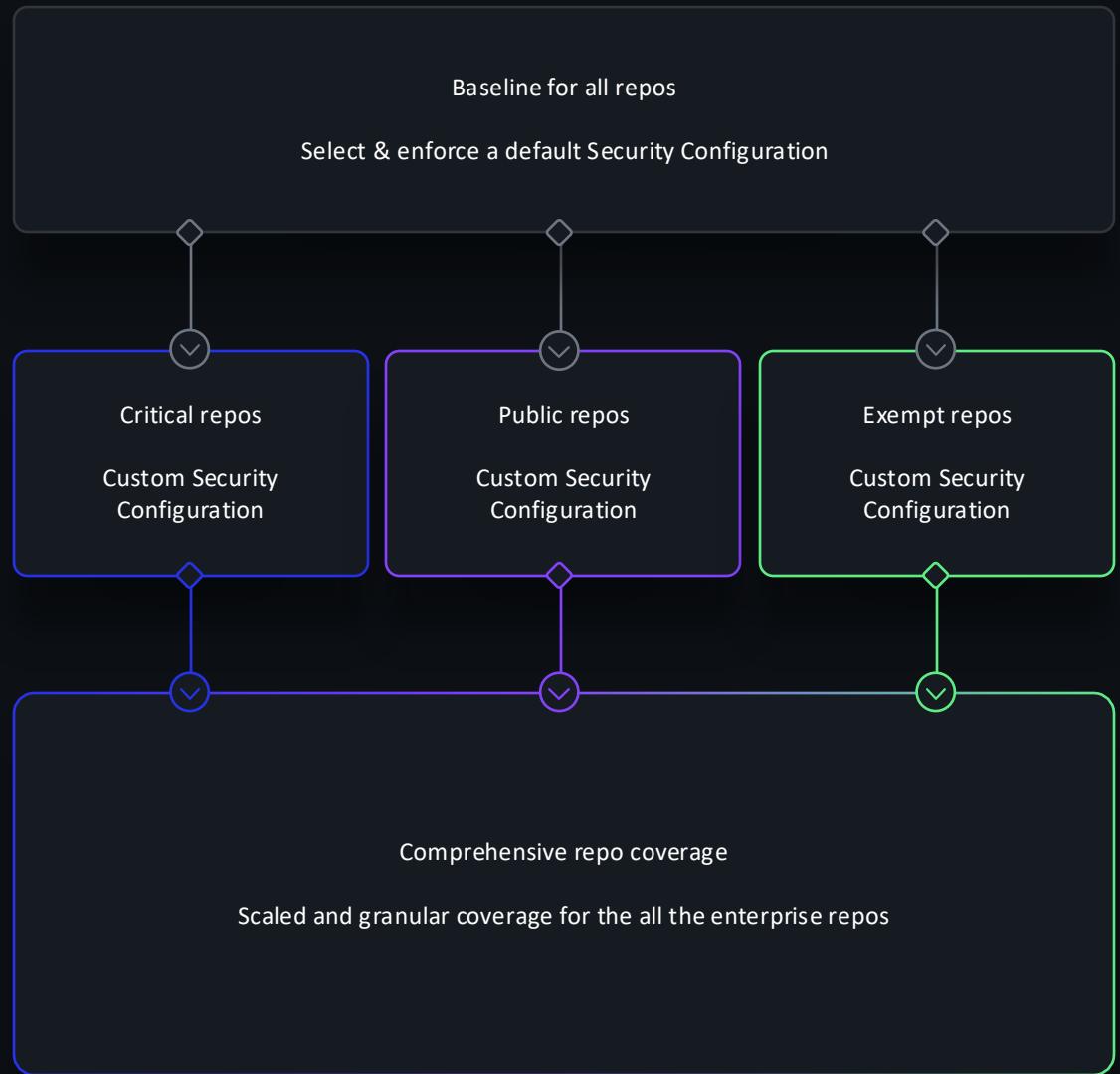
What have we done

1. **Code security configurations:** Applied GitHub' recommended to be used as the default on *new* and *existing* repositories
2. **Repository custom properties:** Created and applied to classify a repository and/or a group of repositories
3. **Organization ruleset:** Created and applied an organization ruleset to enforce checks standards to a classified set of repositories through repository custom properties

Scaling code security

At-scale code security meets flexibility

Security configurations and Repo Custom Properties allow tuning code security setups to the needs of each organization, dev team and codebase.



What have we done - Overall

Learn and understand how to configure GitHub Advanced Security for a repository

1. Enabled Dependabot
2. Added dependency review to the pull request
3. Enabled Secret Scanning

Learn how to block vulnerable code before it reaches production

1. Repository branch ruleset
2. Enabled Secret Push Protection

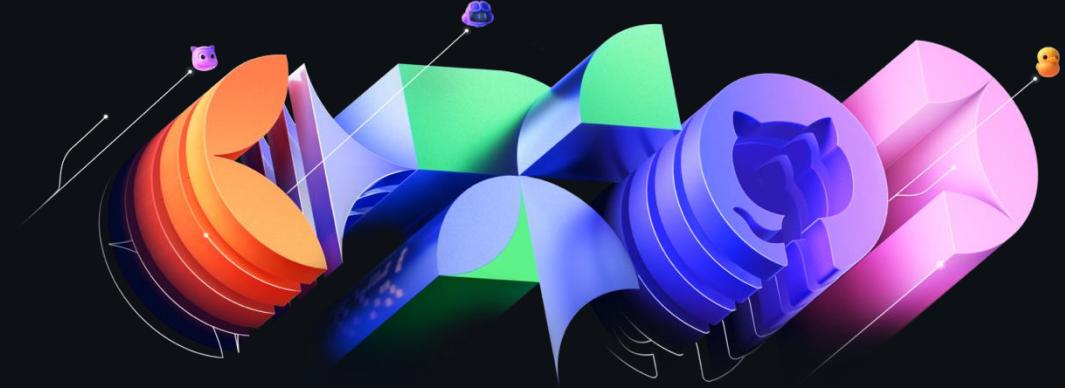
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1. Code security configurations
2. Repository custom properties
3. Organization ruleset

Workshop environment

- Leave the Surface  in the room!
- Not available anymore after today!

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- Domain learning objectives
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- Practice exams (coming soon)



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Certification: GitHub Advanced Security



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Study Guide
GitHub Advanced Security



Get exam-ready for the GitHub Advanced Security Certification with our comprehensive study guide. We've curated the essential resources and learning activities to better prepare you for the exam and boost your chances of success.

Audience Profile

This exam is designed for experienced professionals in the field of software development and security. This certification is designed for individuals who have a deep understanding of GitHub and its security features, as well as hands-on experience in securing software development workflows.

Objective Domains

An objective domain for a certification exam, often referred to as a "domain" or "exam domain," is a structured outline or framework that defines the specific knowledge, skills, and topics that the certification exam will cover. It provides a clear roadmap for what candidates should expect to encounter on the exam and what they need to study and prepare for.

The domains provided in this study guide are intended to provide insight into the topic categories covered in the GitHub Advanced Security exam, along with the learning objective within each domain.

Domain Breakdown	Exam Percentages
Domain 1: Describe the GHAS security features and functionality	10%
Domain 2: Configure and use secret scanning	10%
Domain 3: Configure and use dependency management	15%
Domain 4: Configure and use code scanning	15%
Domain 5: Use code scanning with CodeQL	20%
Domain 6: Describe GitHub Advanced Security best practices	20%
Domain 7: Configure GitHub Advanced Security tools in GitHub Enterprise	10%

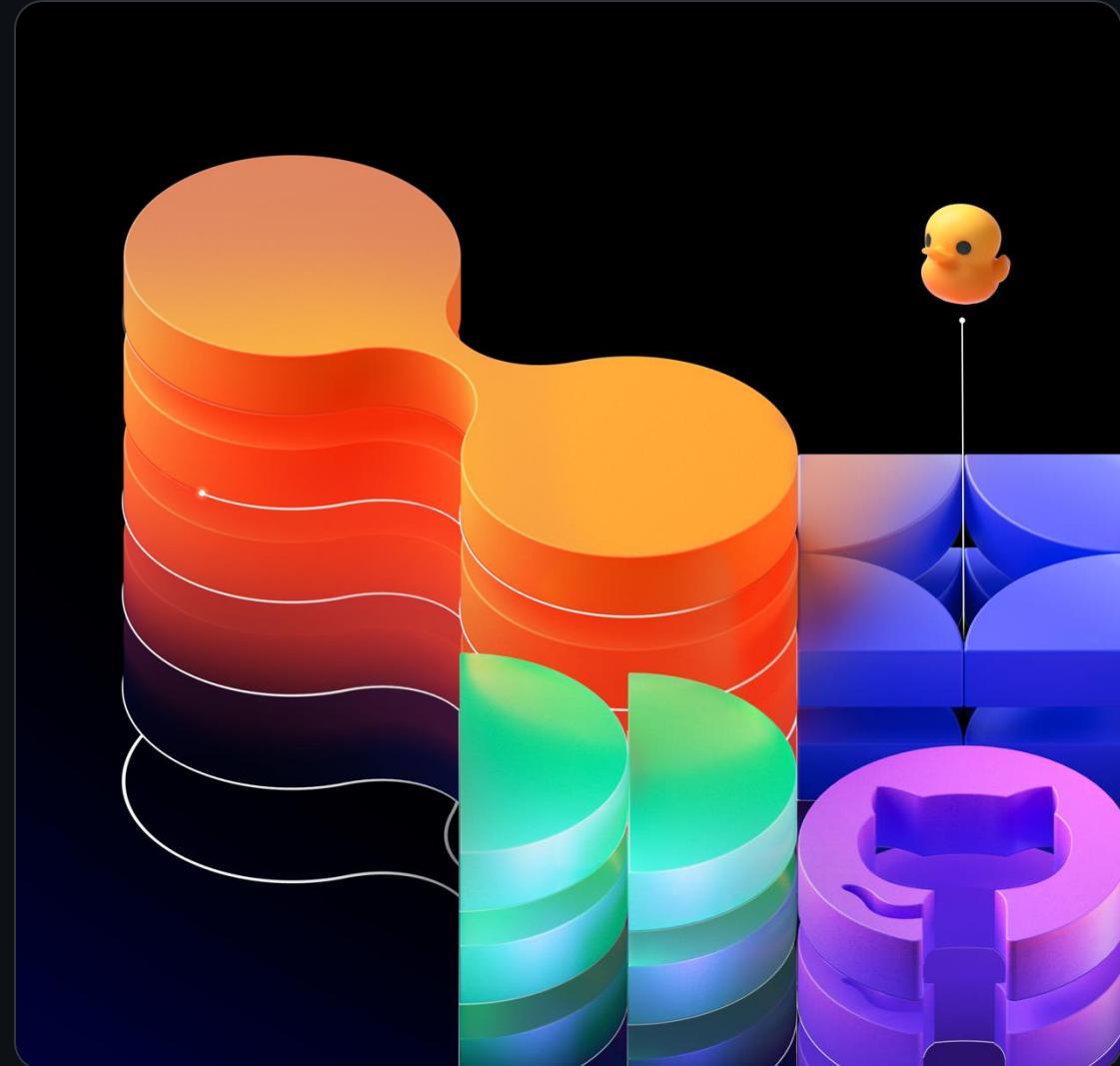
Recommendations and Best Practices for Success

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