# MANAGING SECRETS IN CODE WITH HASHICORPVAULT

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## WHO AM I?

- Senior Systems Engineer
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   PowerShell Extension
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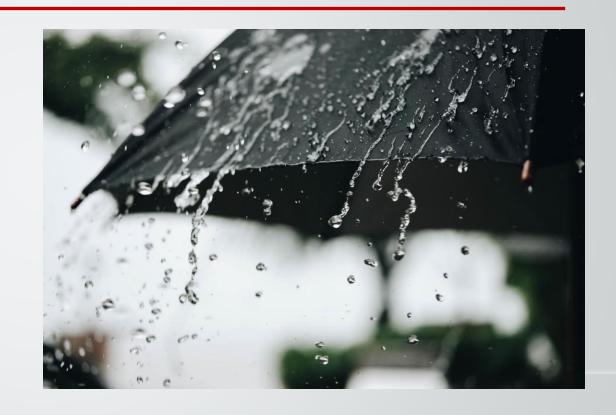




## WHAT IS IMPORTANT INFORMATION?

## **DEPENDS**

- Finance
- Retail
- Education
- Government
- Technology





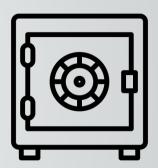
## SECRETS, PASSWORDS, TOKEN OHMY!



# app/config/parameters.yml
parameters:
 database\_driver: pdo\_mysql
 database\_host: localhost
 database\_name: test\_project
 database\_user: root
 database\_password: password

LANG=en\_US.UTF-8
HISTCONTROL=ignoredups
HOSTNAME=vault.corrick.local
PASSWORD=hunter2
XDG\_SESSION\_ID=5071
USER=josh
SELINUX\_ROLE\_REQUESTED=
PWD=/home/josh
HOME=/home/josh



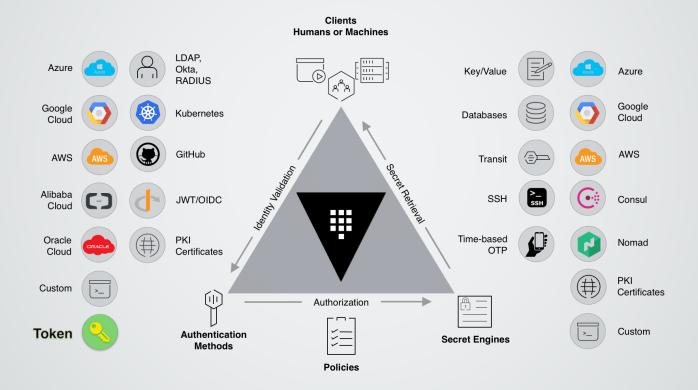


Functionality vs Security







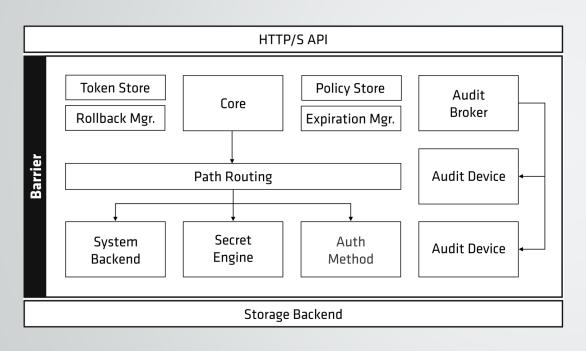


Images from: https://learn.hashicorp.com/tutorials/vault/getting-started-intro?in=vault/getting-started





## HOW DOESTHE SERVER WORK?



- HTTP/SAPI
- Barrier
- Storage Backend (Local / Consul)
- Master Key
  - Shamier's Secret Sharing Algorithm
- Encryption Key
- The core handles all request in the barrier

Images from: https://www.vaultproject.io/docs/internals/architecture





## **CLIENT AUTHENTICATION**

# Client (agent/ui/api)

- Vault binary
- Web Ui
- Rest API

## Authenticate to API

## Return token or secret

- Token
- UserPass
- AppRole
- LDAP
- Github

#### Authorize

- Are you in the right group?
- Do you have the right policy?
- Has your token expired?





# **DEMOS**

CoolCat Lemonade





## BENEFITS OF USING VAULT

- Keeps secrets abstracted away
- Makes it easier to switch out
- Requires verification of access before retrieval
- Gives flexibility to deployment and tools





# THANKS!

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