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## Application Security Workflow Automation

Using Docker and Kubernetes



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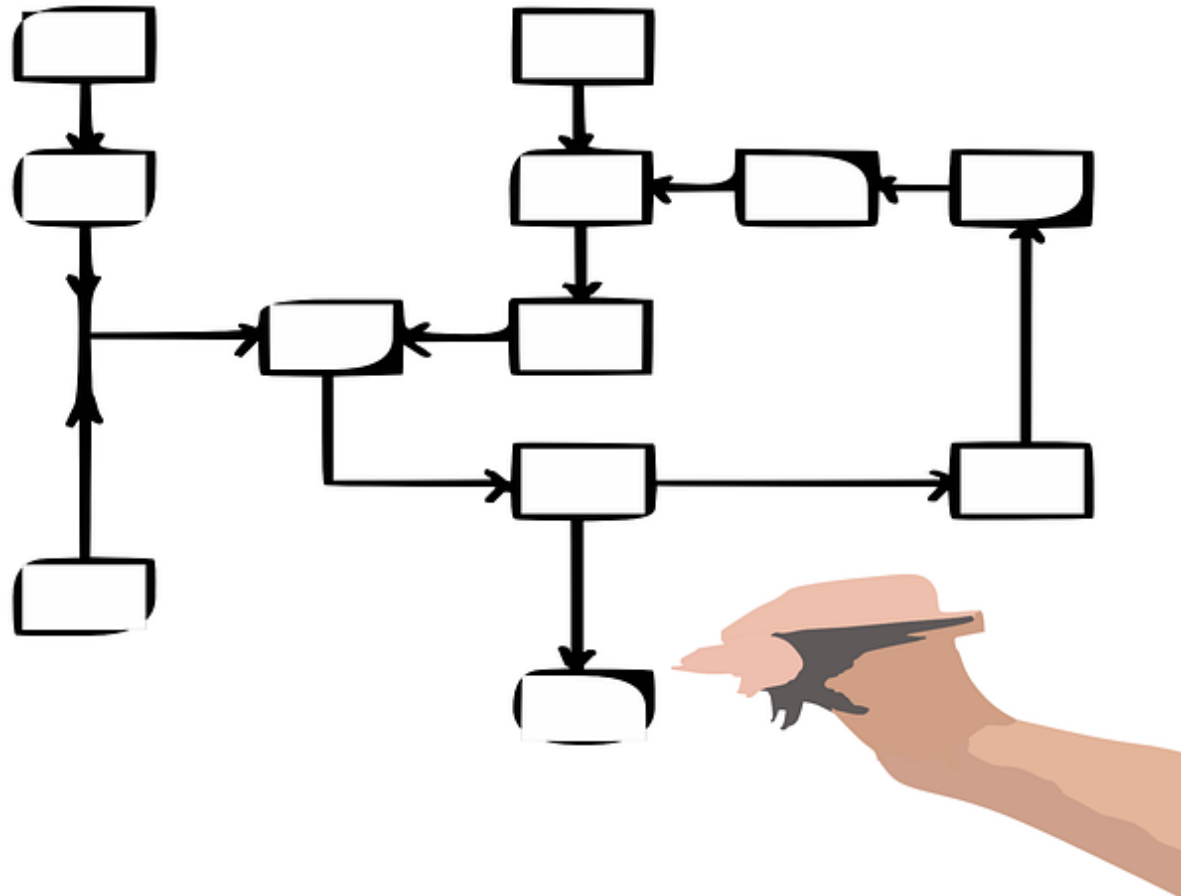


## Key Take Away

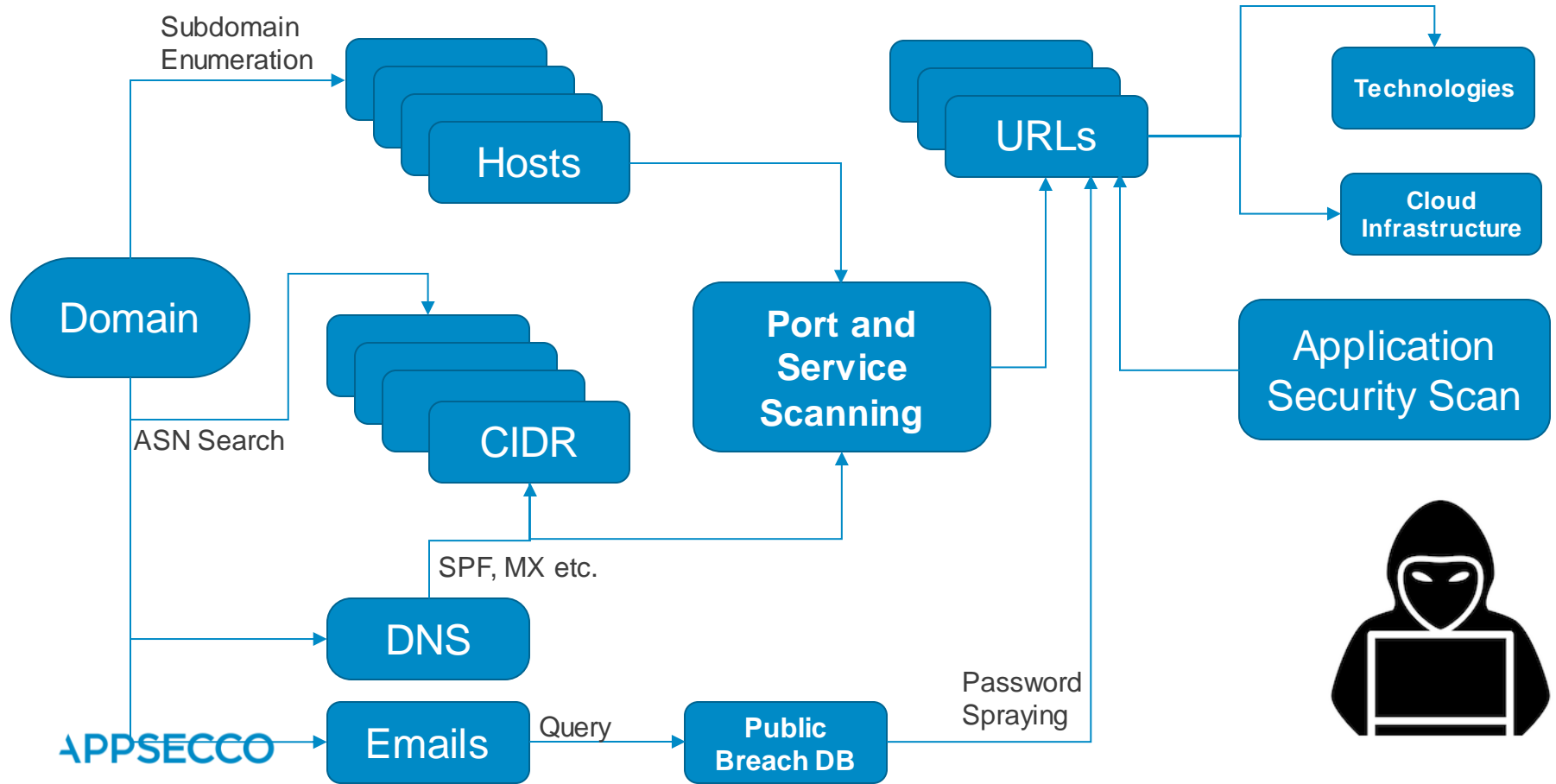
1. How does an Application Security Workflow look like  
(Our opinion)
2. Our approach of security automation using  
Kubernetes native technologies
3. How to get started in automating Application  
Security Workflow using **KubeSecO**

# Application Security Workflow

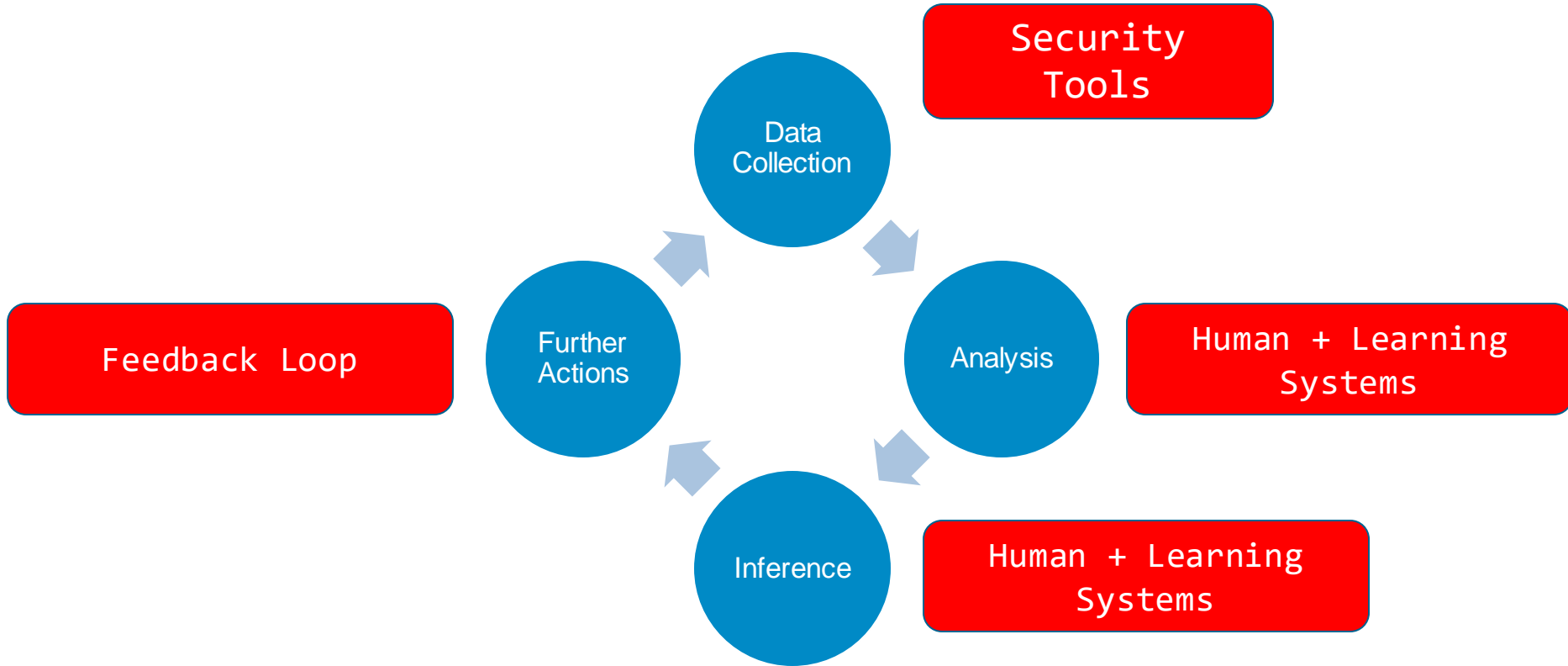
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# An Example AppSec Workflow



# How does it look like from Automation Perspective?



# Automating AppSec Workflow



# KubeSecO Live in Action

```
→ ~ curl -s -H "Content-Type: application/json" \  
-d '{ "asset_type": "domain", "asset_value": "example.com"}' \  
http://localhost:3000/scans | jq .  
  
{  
  "status": "success",  
  "response": {  
    "asset_type": "domain",  
    "asset_value": "example.com",  
    "scan_id": "0866c974-8f33-4cf7-961f-5e68f33142c8"  
  }  
}
```

[github.com/appsecco/kubeseco](https://github.com/appsecco/kubeseco)



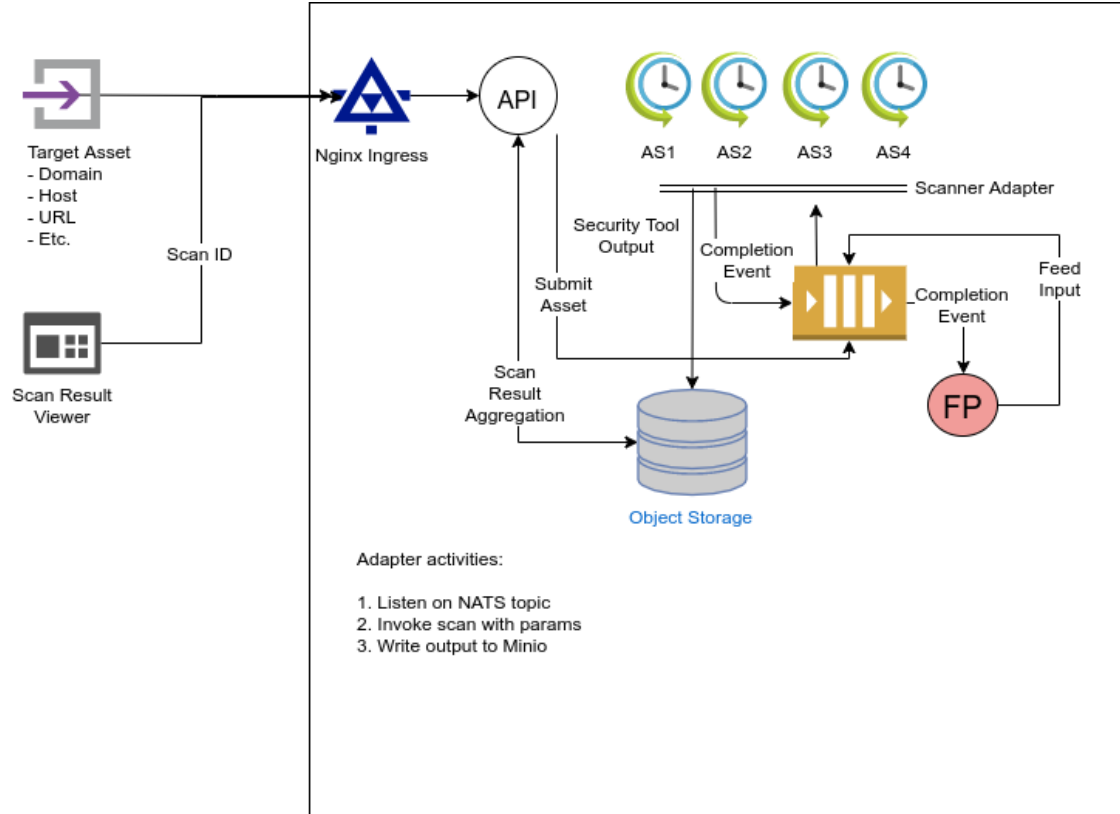
# What's under the hood?

```
→ ~ kubectl get pods
```

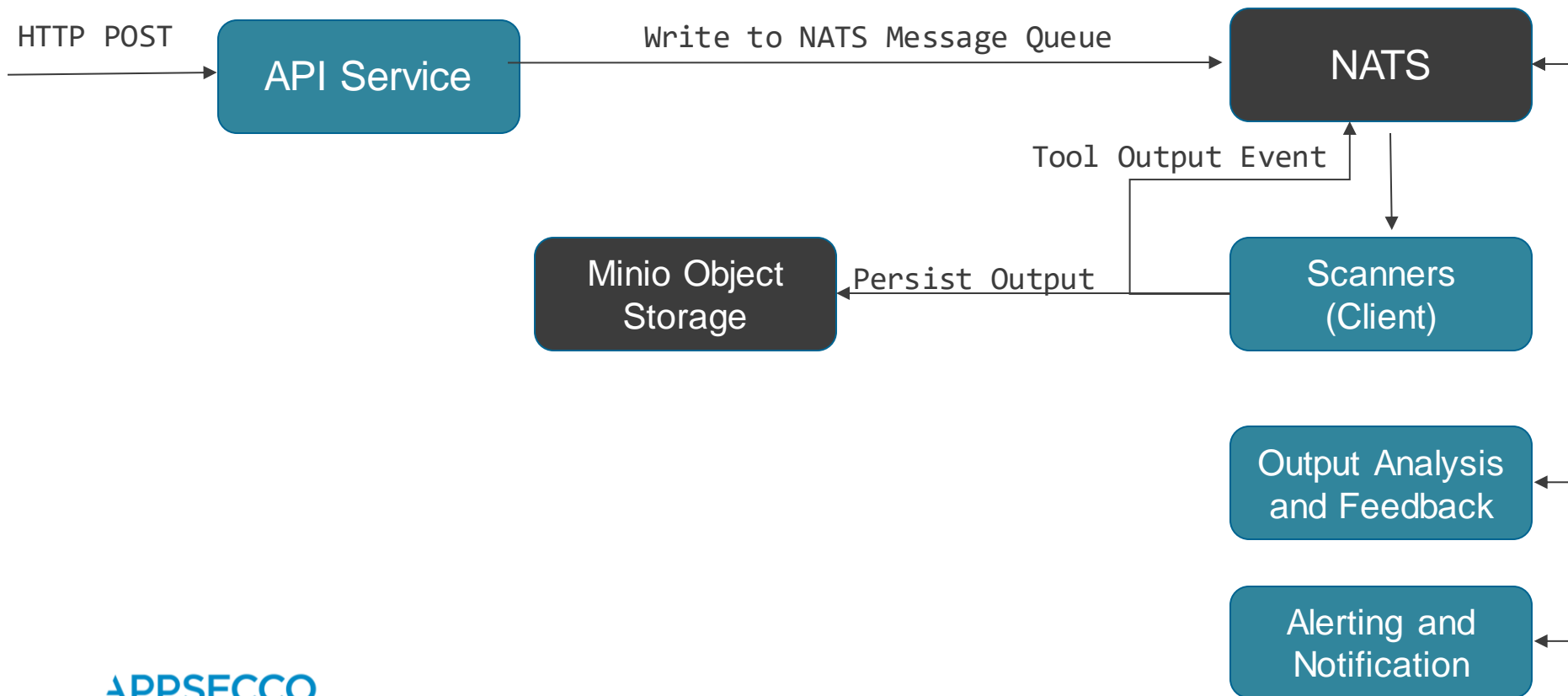
NAME	READY
api-service-app-6669464864-wbsq4	1/1
appdiscovery-tool-65879d97bc-prctd	1/1
appdiscovery-tool-65879d97bc-sqzfl	1/1
certspotter-tool-67899fc7cb-g9rcq	1/1
feedback-processor-app-9d9d46f65-vg595	1/1
minio-585c55b5dd-9nf4b	1/1
nats-nats-0	1/1

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# How does the system look like?



# Driving the System – Events FTW!



## The Tool Adapter (Pattern)

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Tools are not in our control
- We need to be able to
  - Receive input from NATS
  - Run tool with tool specific command line
  - Receive output or check for error
  - Persist output to Minio

## Adding a Security Tool (3rd Party)

1. Package 3rd party tools as Docker containers
2. Add Tool Adapter binary and set as entrypoint
3. Write Kubernetes deployment spec (YAML)
4. Deploy to Kubernetes
5. Write YAML rules for *Feedback Processing*

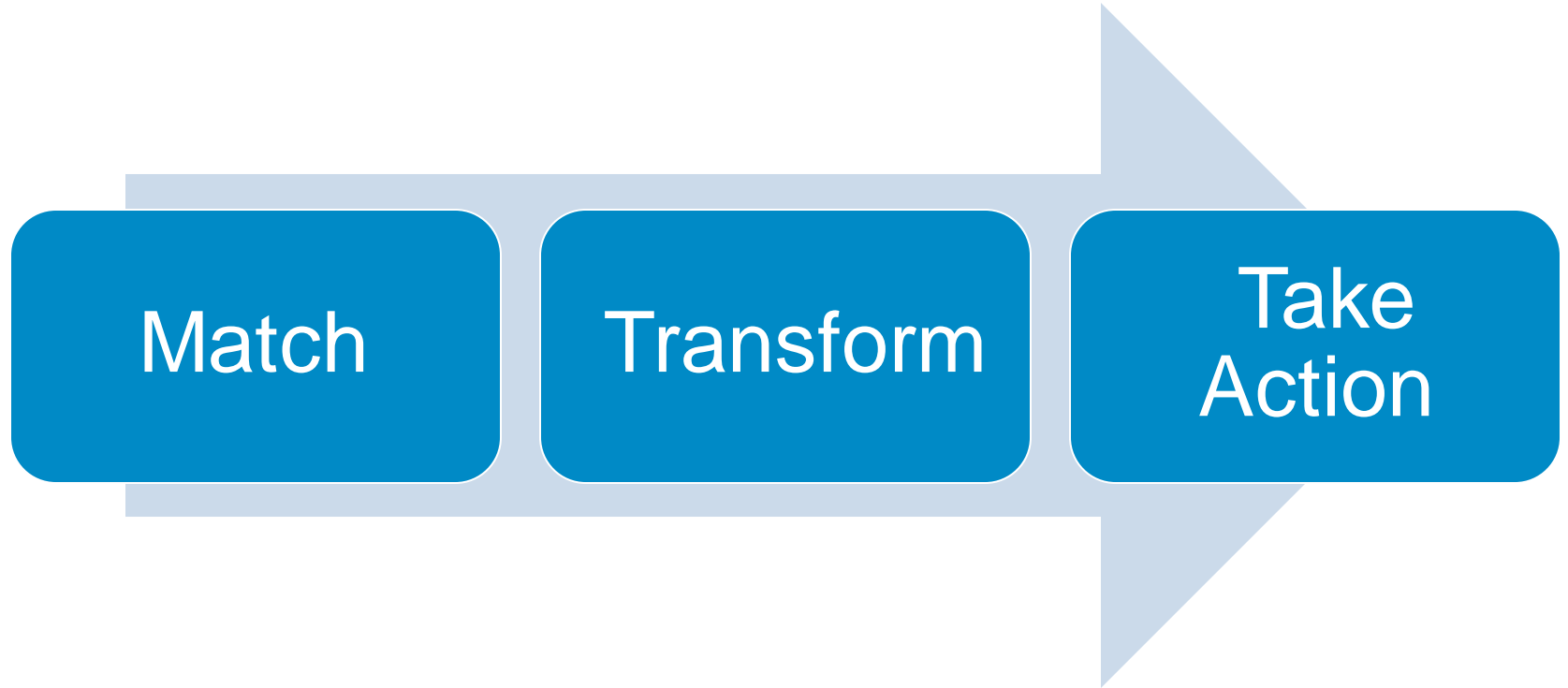
# Security Tool Dockerfile

```
1  FROM alpine:3.7
2
3  ADD https://storage.googleapis.com/
   appsec-workflow-k8s-poc/tool-adapter/v1.0.0/
   tool-adapter /usr/bin/workflow-tool-adapter
4
5  RUN apk update && \
6      apk add --no-cache curl jq libc6-compat && \
7      chmod +x /usr/bin/workflow-tool-adapter
8
9  CMD ["/usr/bin/workflow-tool-adapter"]
```

# Security Tool Kubernetes Spec (YAML)

```
1  apiVersion: apps/v1
2  kind: Deployment
3  metadata:
4    name: certspotter-tool
5    labels:
6      app: certspotter
7  [...]
8
9    spec:
10     containers:
11     - name: certspotter-ctr
12       imagePullPolicy: Always
13       image: abhisek/appsec-workflow-certspotter
14       command: ["/usr/bin/workflow-tool-adapter"]
15       env:
16       [...]
17       - name: TOOL_EXEC_PATTERN
18         value: "curl -s https://certspotter.com/api/v0/certs?
domain={{TARGET}} | jq '[.[]].dns_names' | flatten | sort |
unique"
```

## Feedback Processor (Driving the System)





# Feedback Processor - Example

```
1 workflow:
2   name: Demo Workflow
3   version: 1.0.0
4   author: root@localhost.local
5   rules:
6     - name: certspotter-feedback
7       match: # Match any attribute of Input Event using regex
8         tool_name: certspotter
9         target_info.asset_type: domain
10      transform: # Must always transform to an array of values
11        jsonpath: $
12      actions:
13        - type: enqueue
14          on: item # item/bulk
15          queue_name: input.host
16          asset_type: host
```

## Challenges, Constraints and Things to do

- State management is difficult due to asynchronous nature of the system
- NATS connection issue with preemptible nodes on GKE
- Capacity planning and analysis
- Cost analysis

# How to Contribute

1. Clone the repository from Github
2. Try out and report bugs
3. Add new security tools
4. Add feedback processor rules
5. Submit PR

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That's all for now..  
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