

# ADDO<sup>™</sup>

ALL DAY DEVOPS

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Metric vs. Imperial  
and why Defect  
Density Sucks



# WARNING

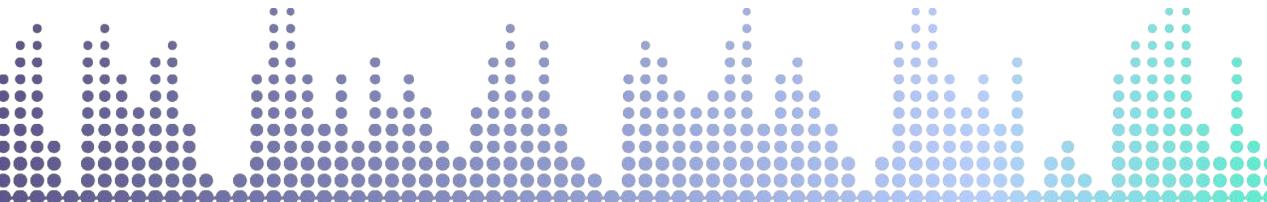
This talk has absolutely nothing to do with Metric or Imperial measurements, nor traditional Defect Density calculations. It's about Security Defect Density and it's absolute uselessness for calculating application security risk. Oh... and gratuitous Deadpool references ahead. DevOps discretion advised.





FEELING VS. FACT

**1 VULNERABILITY IN  
10000 LINES OF  
CODE**



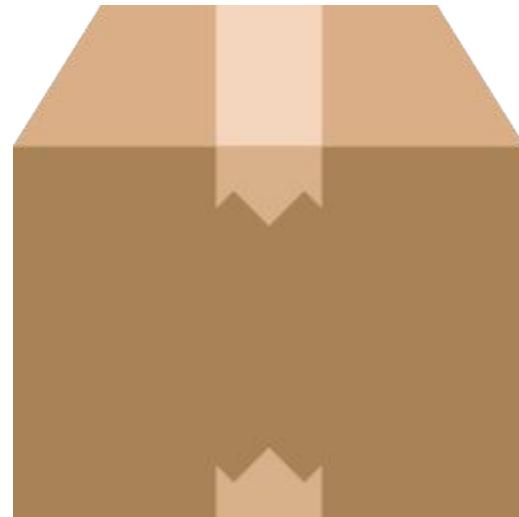
I hate being  
suspicious about  
things, but damn  
that gut feeling  
is always right.

■uckology

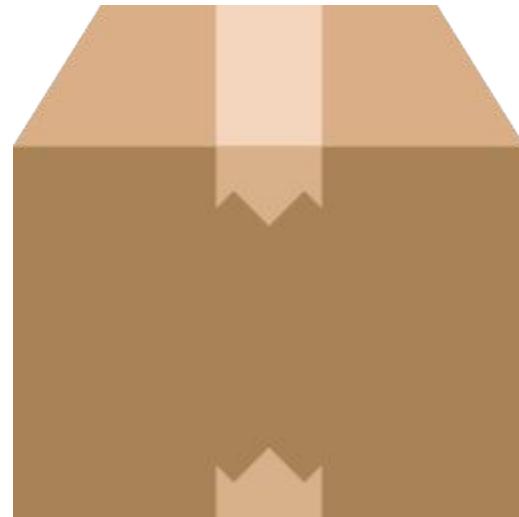


# CONTEXT



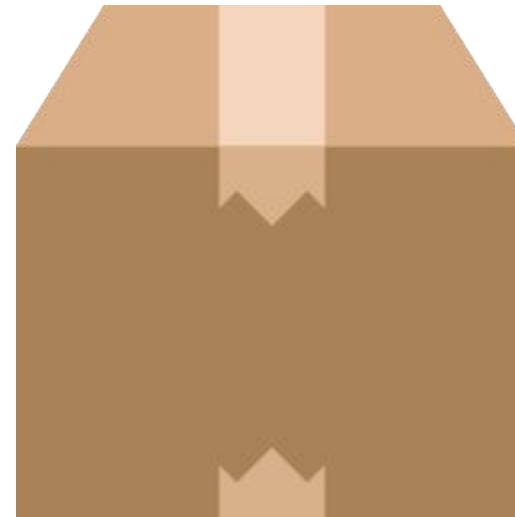


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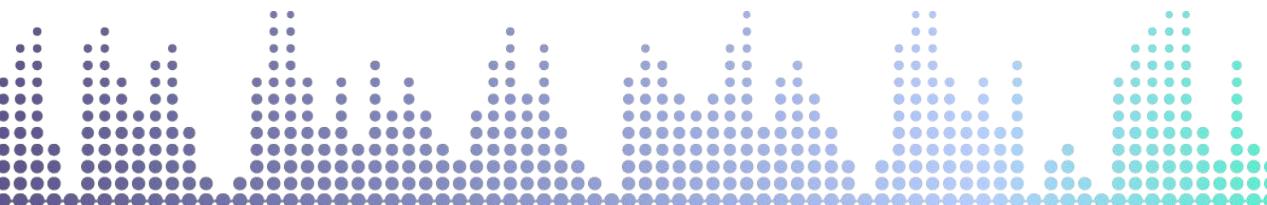


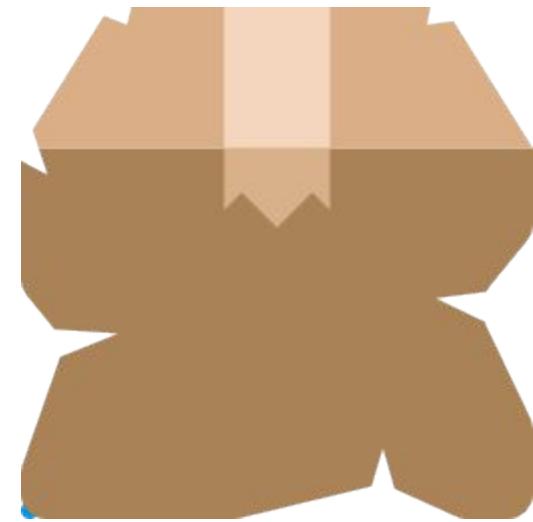
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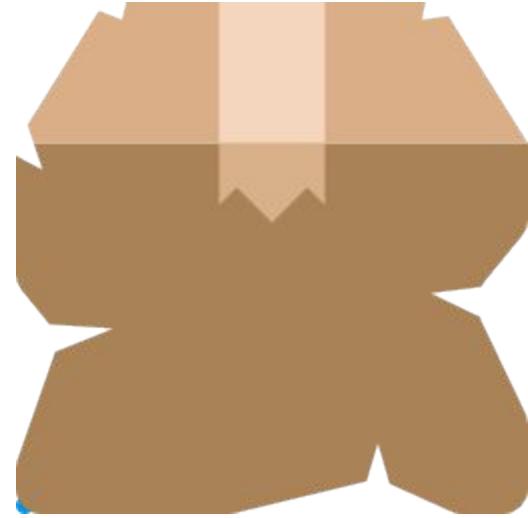


what your team built to put in the box



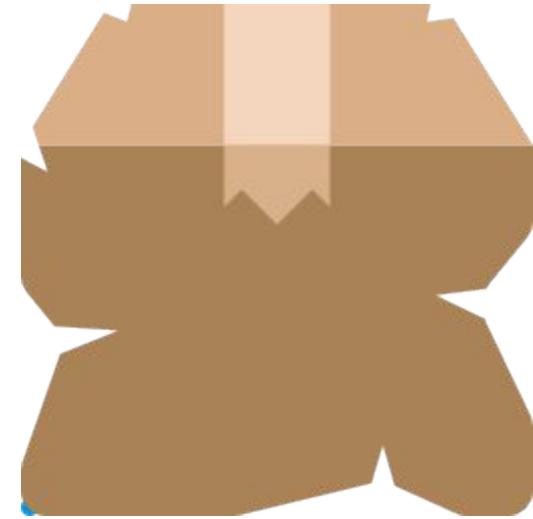


DAST



dynamic analysis and security testing





pounding the box with a sledgehammer



for the next three days...





CSA





container vulnerability analysis



how the box is packed



SCA



software composition analysis



packing the box with someone else's stuff



**WHAT'S WRONG HERE?**

**LET'S DIG IN...**



**d**

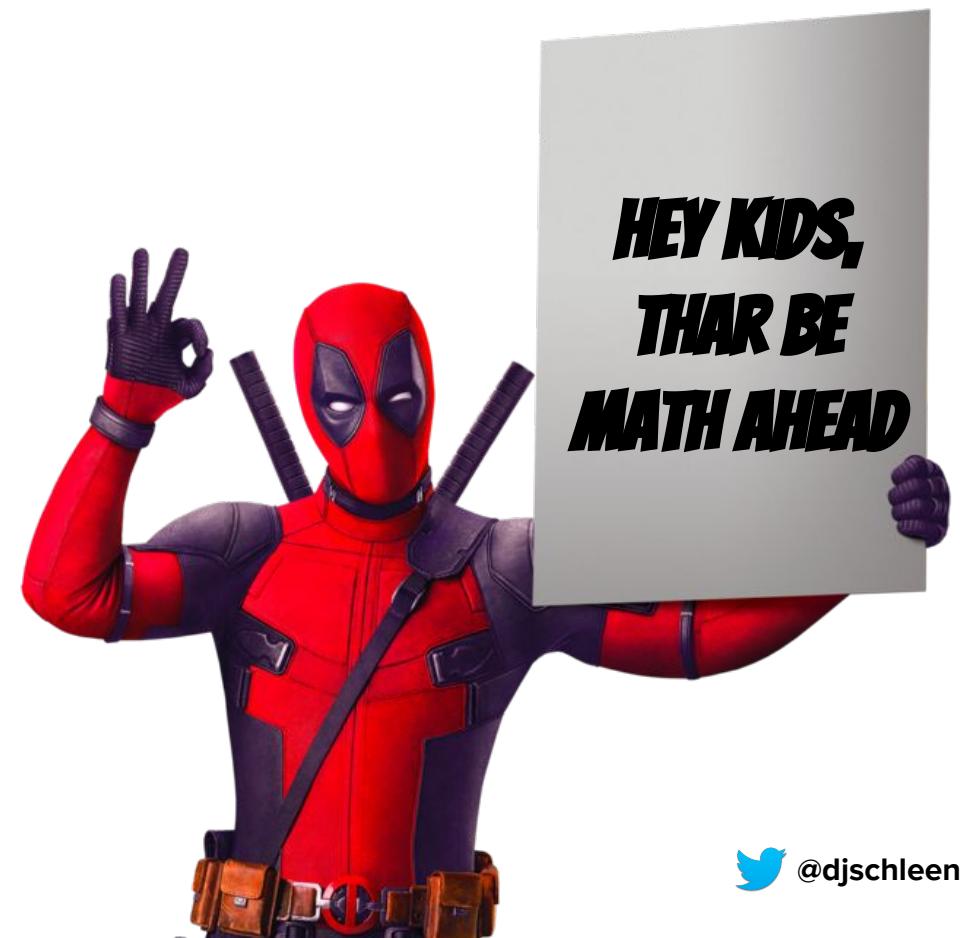
Defect Density

**v**

Vulnerabilities

**l**

Lines of Code



$$d = v/1$$

$$0.01 = 1000/100000$$

1%

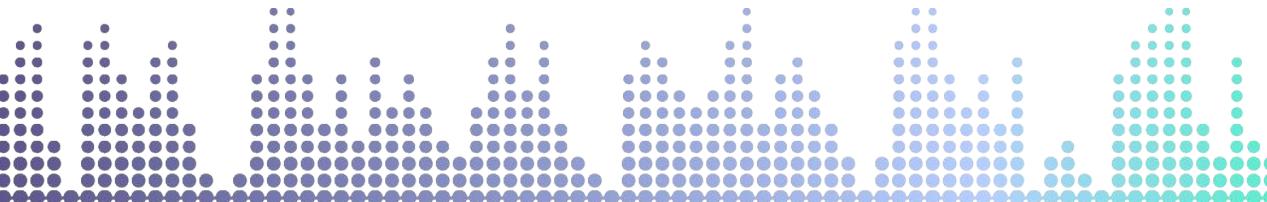


**0.01 OR 1%**

***WHATEVER THIS MEANS.***



**1 VULNERABILITY IN  
10000 LINES OF  
CODE**



$$\begin{aligned} d &= (v/1) * 10000 \\ 100 &= (1000/100000) \\ &\quad * 10000 \end{aligned}$$

100.0 > 1.0

```
for i in {0..20000200}  
do  
    echo [comment] >> [sourcefile]  
done
```



0.49



# **FUNNY BUSINESS!**

Concatenate garbage

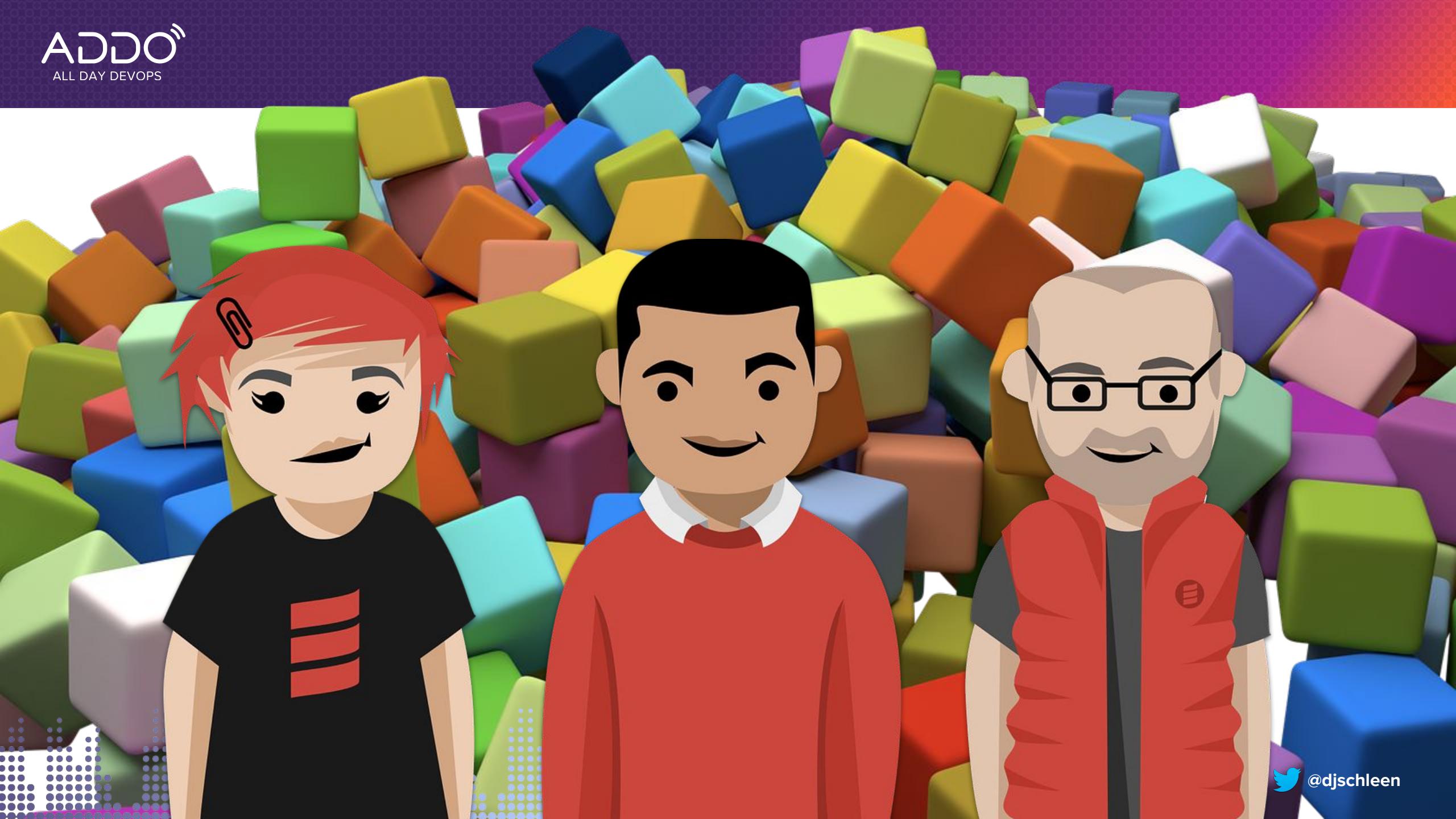
Load up on comments

Keep dead code

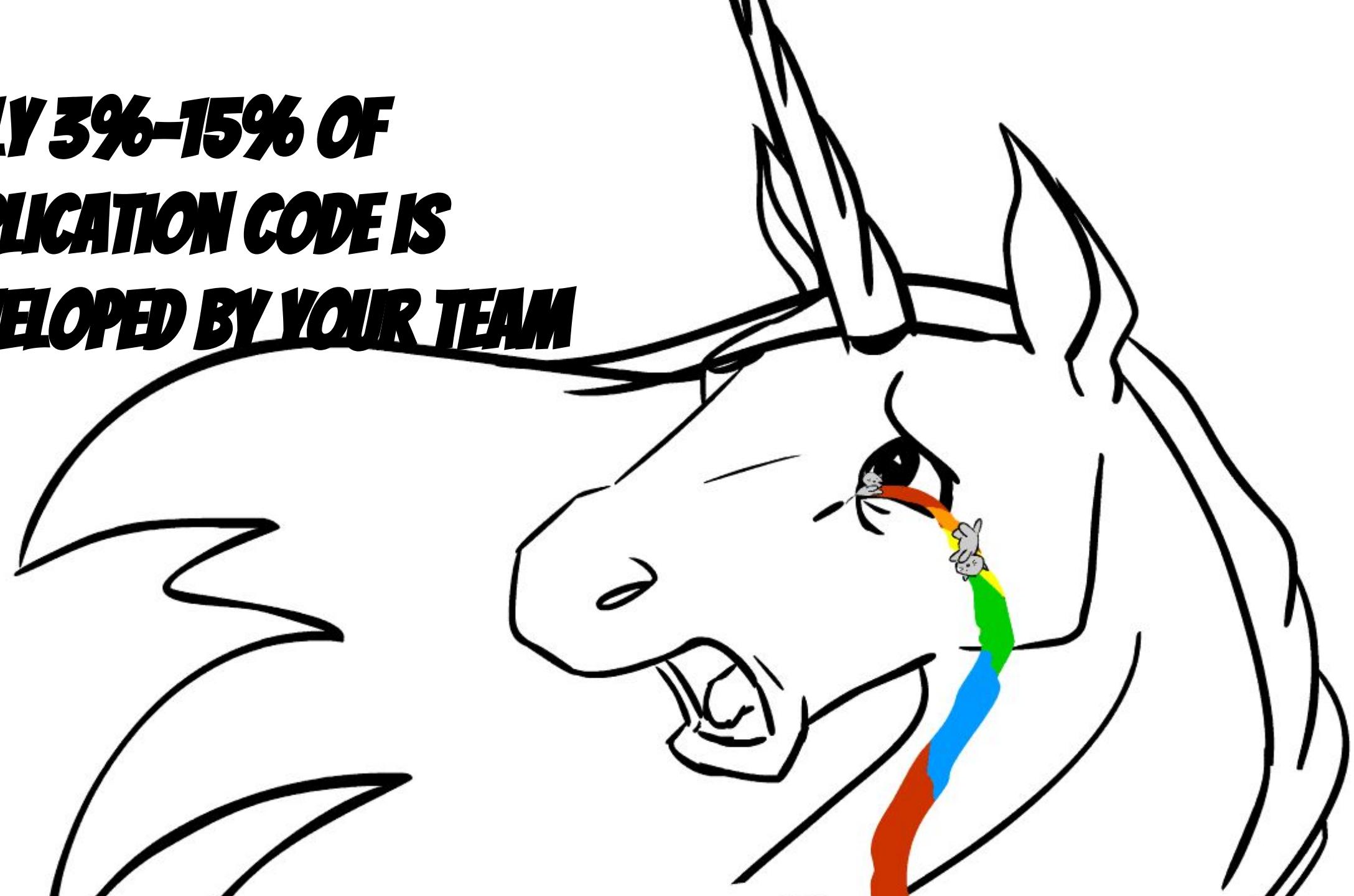
Include third party code

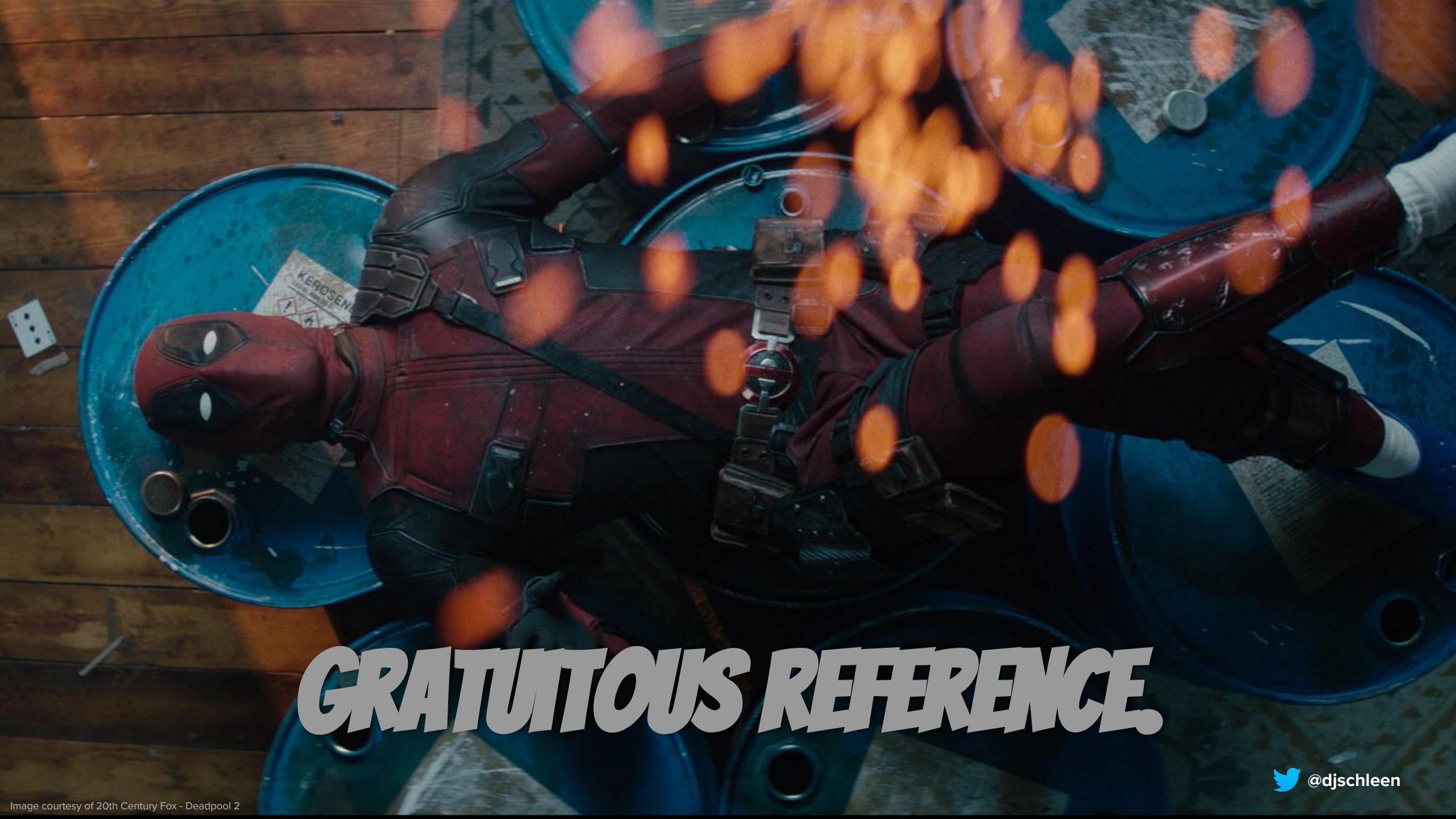
Really... only Highs from SAST? **REALLY?**





**ONLY 3%-15% OF  
APPLICATION CODE IS  
DEVELOPED BY YOUR TEAM**





# GRATUITOUS REFERENCE

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# **APPLICATION SECURITY HEALTH**

If your application had a credit score...

Would you give it a loan with a score of 210?



# **IMPLEMENTATION GOALS**

Process data from any source

Discard duplicate findings

Criticals, Highs, Mediums, and Lows included

Weigh recent vulnerabilities higher

Weigh vulnerabilities by severity

Weigh vulnerabilities by ability to exploit



***REMOVE  
DEPENDENCY ON  
LINES OF CODE!***



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↳ ./ash calculate --identifiers CVE-2019-1563,CVE-2019-1563  
570  
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535  
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590
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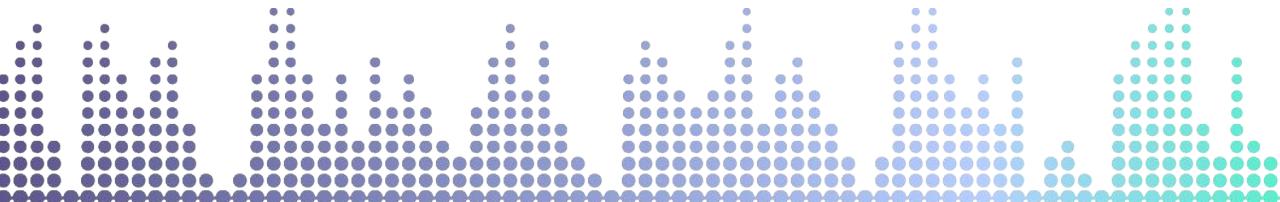
**INSTANTLY UNDERSTANDABLE...**



**UNLIKE YOUR CAT**



POC



README.md



38 components 0 1 0

# Application Security Health Score (ASH)

\*\*\* NOTE: This is a working POC but hasn't been tested at a massive scale \*\*\*

I've been looking for a replacement for Security Defect Density that can provide a more precise measurement of the security health of an application. Enter the Application Security Health Score (ASH) - a calculation providing a single number similar to a credit score to describe application security risk.

If you were a bank and your application was applying for a loan, would you give it one with a credit score of 70, or a score of 810?

## Contributing

*Contributions are definitely encouraged!.* The scoring calculation has many TODO's that would be great to implement. Create a pull request and let's get more accurate in scoring

djschleen/ash ▾ &gt; master ▾ &gt; cmd/calculate.go

Blame ⌂ ⏴ ⏵ ⏷ ⏸

FILES SYMBOLS X

calculate.go

completion.go

info.go

info\_test.go

root.go

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26      },
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28  )
29
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32   rootCmd.AddCommand(calculateCmd)
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40   //TODO: Deduplicate
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46   }
47   avg /= sumWeight
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49   avg *= -100
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51   return int64(math.RoundToEven(avg))
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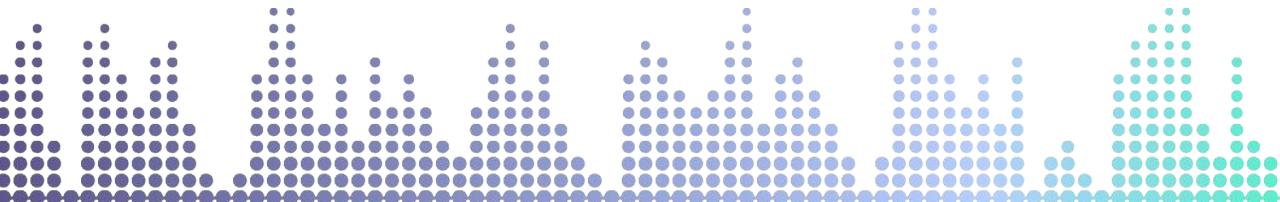
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# OPEN SOURCE





***THANK YOU AND PLEASE  
CONTRIBUTE!***

**[github.com/djschleen/ash](https://github.com/djschleen/ash)**





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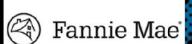
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