

CVSS v4.0 Overview

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What is new with



v4.0?

New CVSS Features

- Modified Base metric: Attack Complexity (AC)
- New Base metric: Attack Requirements (AT)
- New Base metric values: User Interaction (UI): Passive (P) and Active (A)
- Finer granularity, new Base metrics
 - Vulnerable system impacts
 - Subsequent system impacts
- New Math
 - Ranking system



Subsequent System Impacts



Replaces Scope from CVSS v3.1



Note: Broader definition of “system” in v4.0



New set of confidentiality, integrity, or availability impacts for downstream impacts



Describes impacts on systems other than the vulnerable system

Browser-based attacks (CSRF/XSS)
Gateway DoS
Management systems

Context Clues: Supplemental Metrics

What are Supplemental Metrics

Qualitative attributes of the vulnerability

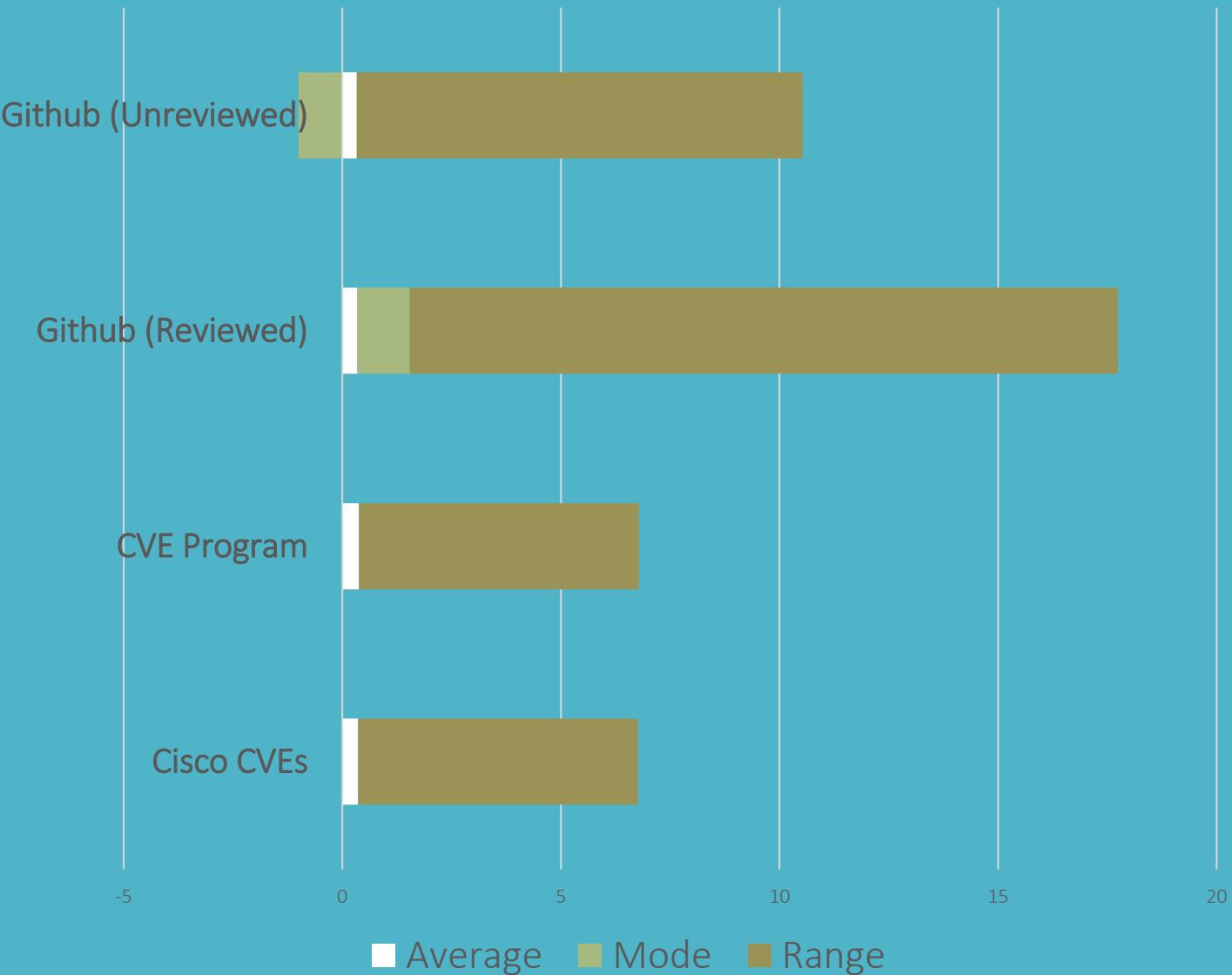
Does not change the numeric score

Allows consumers to distinguish non-impact qualities

CVSS v4.0 Math

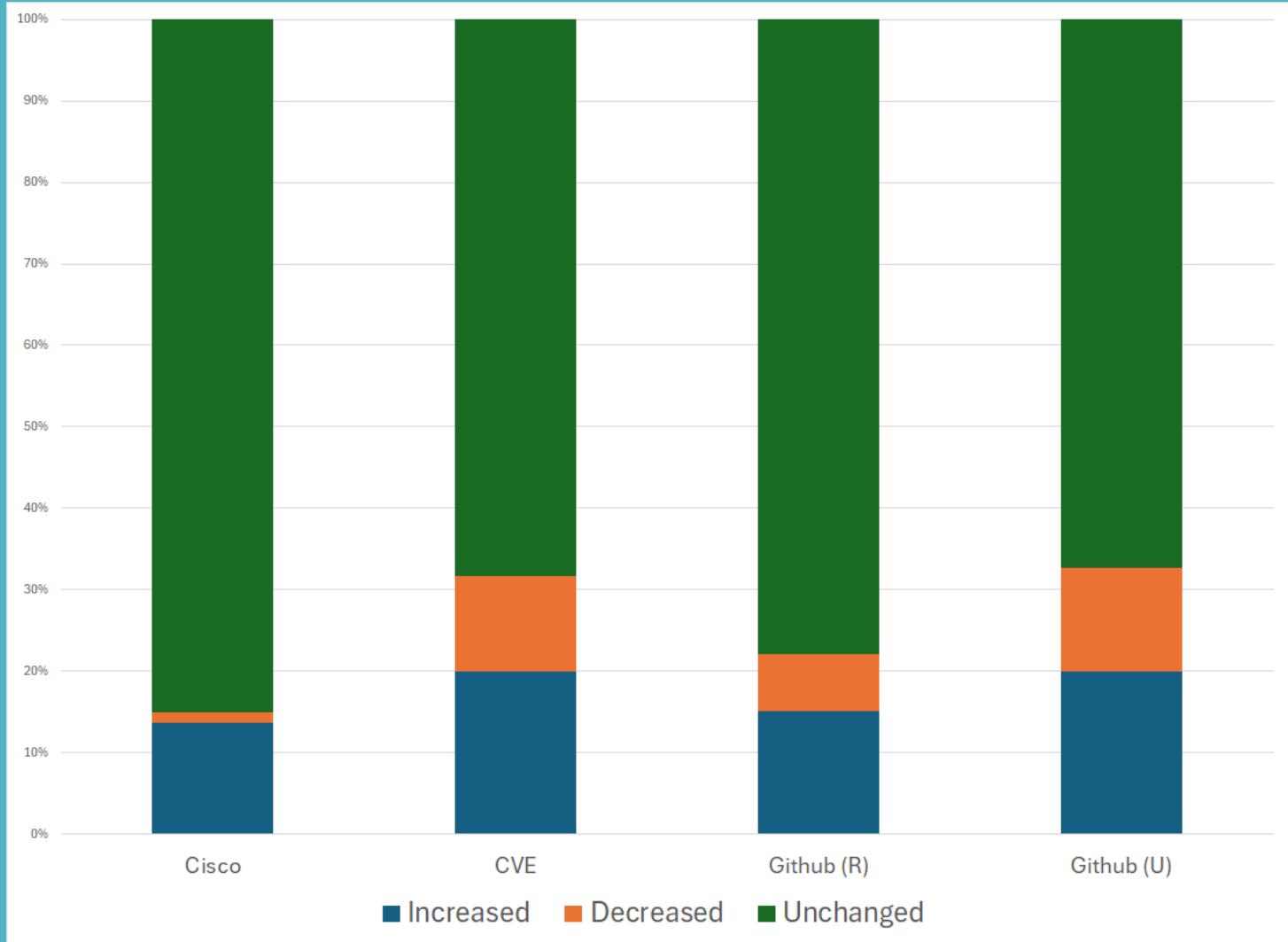
Changes in data sets

- Fairly limited overall changes
- Average changes small (less than 4%)
- Individually, big changes
- Ranges are wide, but likely error-prone



Boundary Changes

- Ratio of entire set
- Represents some big boundary shifts
- Ultimately impacts decision making!



CVSS v4.0 Important Takeaways

CVSS v4.0 is Different

Change is
disruptive

Scores
increase

Many
qualitative
boundary
shifts

Scores
changes
highly
dependent

Q&A

Thank You!