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# Protect yourself against supply chain attacks



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# Topics

- Why:
  - Supply chain
  - Attack examples
- Protection / Maturity: frameworks
  - OWASP Software Component Verification Standard (SCVS)
  - Supply chain Levels for Software Artifacts (SLSA)

# Supply chain – Dependencies

What comes to mind first?

Packages

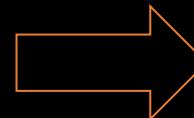
Container images

CI/CD pipelines

# Supply chain – Dependencies

- Libraries used by your application:

- Authentication
- Encryption
- Database connections



Package managers

- Tooling used for building your application:

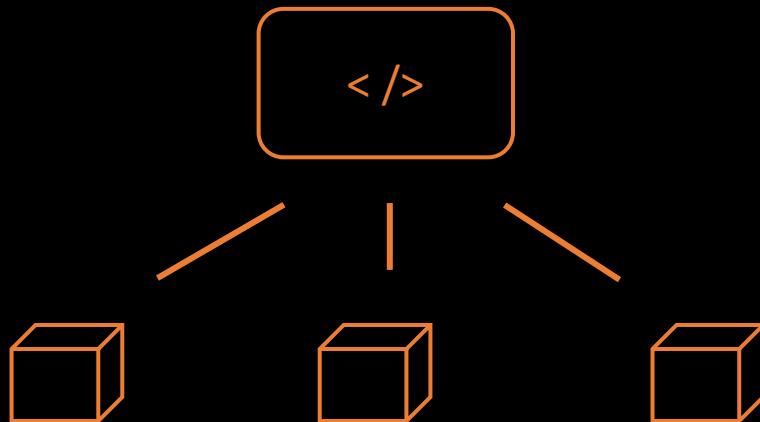
- npm ci
- dotnet build
- pipelines
- SDK's



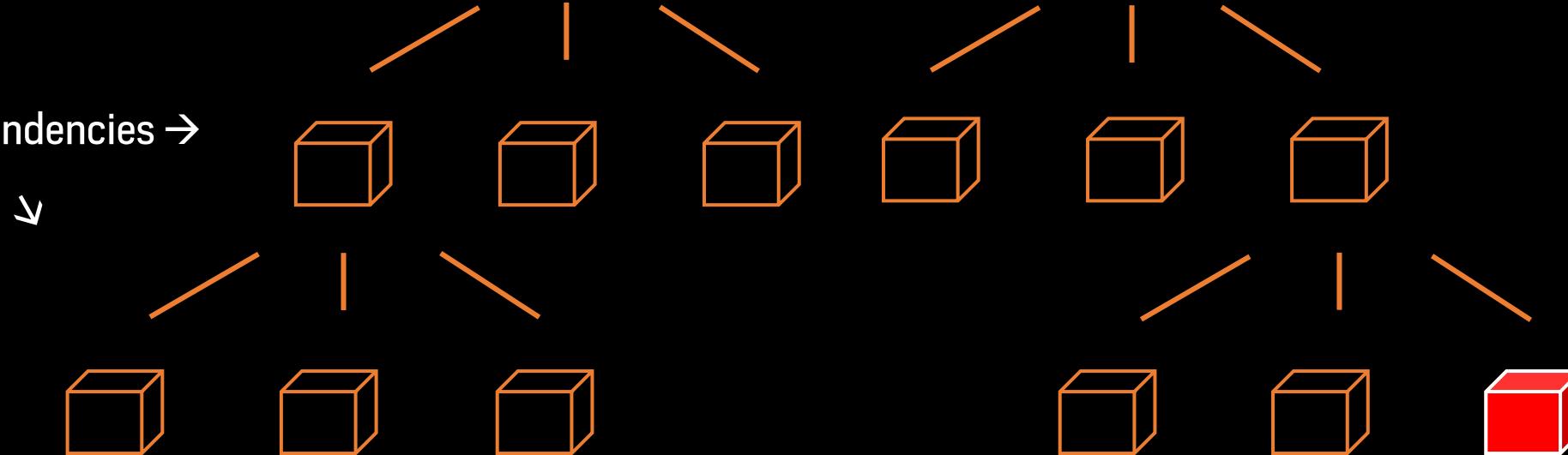
Build tools

# Supply chain

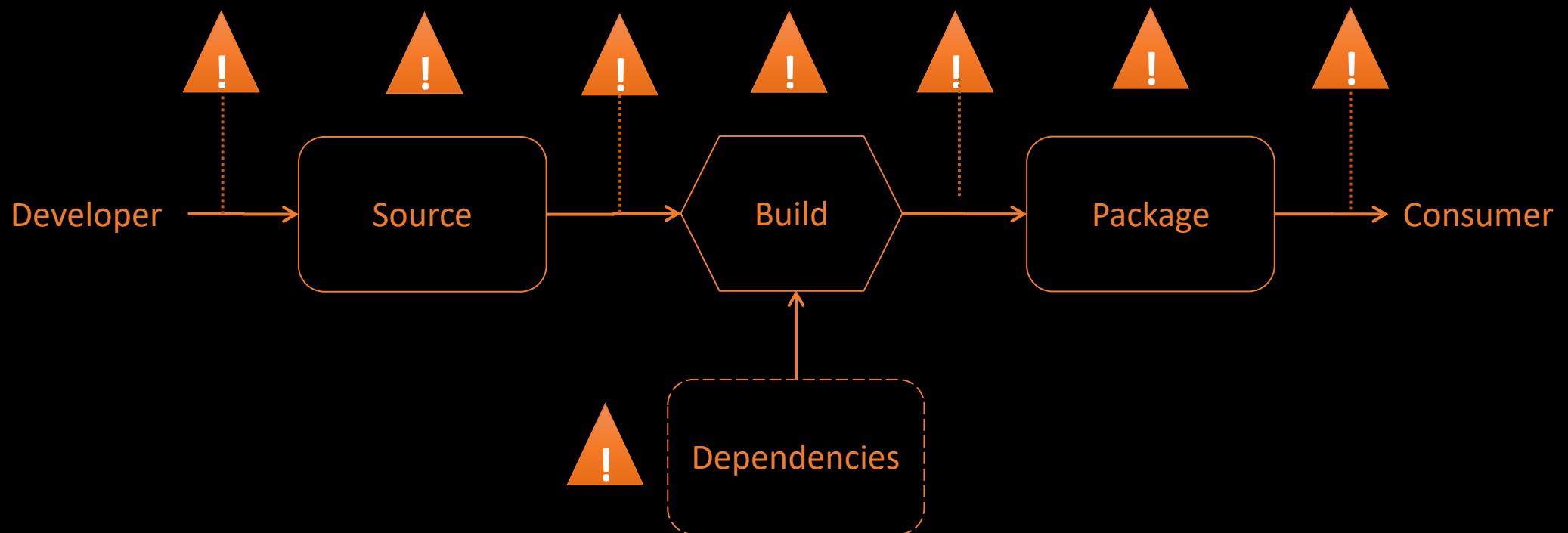
Direct dependencies →



Indirect dependencies →



# Attack entries



# 4 years

On average, vulnerabilities go undetected for four years before being identified.  
Sometimes, even longer than that - Log4j was vulnerable for ~7 years

Average remediation time (industry norm)

# 180 days!

# Supply chain: updates

When was the last time you ran an update?  
Do you run updates automatically?

Tools:

- Custom scripts against package manager
- GitHub Dependabot
- Mend (prev. WhiteSource) Renovate

# Supply Chain Confusion

- Typo squatting
- Namespace shadowing
- Configuration files

# Typo squatting 101

npm install crossenv



Steals all your  
environment variables

npm install cross-env



Normal package

Example from 2017, went undetected for 2 weeks

# Add Namespaces

```
npm install @babel/helper-regex
```

More specific, less chance of squatting

Not all publishers use a namespace

# March 2022 – Namespace confusion

`npm install @azure/core-tracing`

vs

`npm install core-tracing`

→ 218 packages squatted

# Timelines

- Attacks spread fast, lots of targets
- @azure namespace attack: 50 downloads per package (x 218 packages!)
- Found within 1-2 days
- Blocked by npm after noticing →
- Damage is already done by then

The screenshot shows a package page for 'core-tracing' version 0.0.1-security. The page indicates the package was published 6 days ago and is public. A yellow button labeled 'Readme' is highlighted. Below the package details, a large heading reads 'Security holding package'. A descriptive text states: 'This package contained malicious code and was removed from the registry by the npm security team. A placeholder was published to ensure users are not affected in the future.' At the bottom, a note says: 'Please refer to [www.npmjs.com/advisories?search=core-tracing](http://www.npmjs.com/advisories?search=core-tracing) for more information.'

core-tracing

0.0.1-security • Public • Published 6 days ago

Readme Explore BETA

0 Dependencies

## Security holding package

This package contained malicious code and was removed from the registry by the npm security team. A placeholder was published to ensure users are not affected in the future.

Please refer to [www.npmjs.com/advisories?search=core-tracing](http://www.npmjs.com/advisories?search=core-tracing) for more information.

# Protect yourself

- Software Composition Analysis is the starting point
- Package manager scanners:
  - Mend (prev. WhiteSource)
  - BlackDuck
  - JFrog Artifactory + Xray
  - Snyk.io
  - GitHub Dependabot + Vulnerability alerts



Checks package + version against  
CVE databases

AFTER THE FACT

# Protect yourself

npm audit

- Gets a list of the dependencies and posts that to:

<https://registry.npmjs.org/-/npm/v1/security/advisories/bulk>

- Might send out private data!
- Any packages without a version field will be ignored!

AFTER THE FACT

# npm audit - results

```
node_modules/url-parse

ws 5.0.0 - 5.2.2 || 6.0.0 - 6.2.1
Severity: moderate
ReDoS in Sec-WebSocket-Protocol header - https://github.com/advisories/GHSA-6fc8-4gx4-v693
ReDoS in Sec-WebSocket-Protocol header - https://github.com/advisories/GHSA-6fc8-4gx4-v693
fix available via `npm audit fix`
node_modules/jest-environment-jsdom-fourteen/node_modules/ws
node_modules/webpack-dev-server/node_modules/ws
node_modules/ws

57 vulnerabilities (25 moderate, 31 high, 1 critical)

To address issues that do not require attention, run:
  npm audit fix

To address all issues (including breaking changes), run:
  npm audit fix --force
```

# npm install -g npq

- Wrapper from snyk.io
- Alias to overwrite npm commands

```
→ npm install amp-html
  ✓ Checking package maturity
  ✗ Identifying package author...
  ✗ Checking package download popularity
  ✓ Checking availability of a LICENSE
  ✓ Checking availability of a README
  ✓ Identifying package repository...
  ✓ Checking package for pre/post install scripts
  ✗ Checking for known vulnerabilities

Detected possible issues with the following packages:
[amp-html]
  - the package description has no e-mail associated with author(s). Proceed with care.
  - detected a low download-count package (downloads last month < 20)
  - 1 vulnerabilitie(s) found: https://snyk.io/vuln/npm:amp-html

? Would you like to continue installing package(s)? (y/N) █
```

# .npmrc - misconfiguration

registry=https://registry.npmjs.org/

@myscope:registry=https://mycustomregistry.example.org

All your private packages will now get pulled from npmjs.org!

# Remediation

- Know what dependencies you have (e.g. with Dependabot)
- Check incoming changes / new dependencies in your Pull Requests
  - use [dependency-review-action](#)

The screenshot shows a GitHub Actions workflow named "Dependency Review". The workflow consists of several steps:

- Step 1: Run actions/dependency-review (status: In Progress)
- Step 4: Gemfile » activesupport@6.0.0 (status: Pending)
- Step 5: package.json » json-schema@0.0.0 (status: Pending)
- Step 6: pom.xml » org.apache.logging.log4j:log4j-core:2.12.3 (status: Pending)
- Step 7: requirements.txt » (status: Pending)
- Step 8: Error: Dependency review detected vulnerabilities (status: Failed)

The detailed report on the right side of the interface includes:

- dependency-review summary**: A header section.
- Dependency Review**: A main title.
- Vulnerabilities**: A section stating "We found 29 vulnerable package(s), 19 package(s) with incompatible licenses, and 42 package(s) with unknown licenses."
- pom.xml**: A section indicating that vulnerabilities were filtered by minimum severity **low**.
- Table** (Vulnerabilities):

Name	Version	Vulnerability	Severity
org.apache.logging.log4j:log4j-core	2.12.3	Improper Input Validation and Injection in Apache Log4j2	moderate
		Improper validation of certificate with host mismatch in Apache Log4j SMTP appender	low
- requirements.txt**: A section indicating that no vulnerabilities were found.

# Topics

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  - Attack examples
- Protection / Maturity: frameworks
  - OWASP Software Component Verification Standard (SCVS)
  - Supply chain Levels for Software Artifacts (SLSA)

# Frameworks



**OWASP**  
Software Component Verification Standard  
v1 since 2020: <https://xpir.it/SCVS>

Supply chain Levels for Software Artifacts  
Currently in Alpha: <https://slsa.dev/>  
Used by Google internally since 2013

# OWASP SCVS: Software Component Verification Standard

- Assessment of **your software components** and how they **came to be**



Packages/Containers/Source



Pipelines

# OWASP SCVS

	L1	L2	L3
V1 – Inventory			
V2 – Software Bill of Materials (SBOM)			
V3 – Build Environment			
V4 – Package Management			
V5 – Component Analysis			
V6 – Pedigree and Provenance			

# OWASP SCVS – V1 Inventory

All direct and transitive components and their versions are known at completion of a build

Package managers are used to manage all third-party binary components

Software bill of materials continuously maintained and current for all systems

Software bill of materials are required for new procurements

The component type is known throughout inventory

The component function is known throughout inventory

# V1 - Inventory

## Software Composition Analysis

- GitHub Dependabot
- Black Duck
- Mend (WhiteSource)
- Snyk
- Jfrog Xray

Dependabot Example: <https://github.com/npm/cli/network/dependencies>

# Demo: npm/cli - Dependencies

The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for `npm / cli`. The main navigation bar includes links for Pull requests, Issues, Marketplace, and Explore. Below the repository name, there are buttons for Watch (191), Fork (2.1k), and Star (6.4k). The repository is marked as Public. The navigation bar also includes links for Code, Issues (445), Pull requests (34), Actions, Wiki, Security (5), and Insights. The Insights tab is highlighted with an orange box.

**Pulse**

**Contributors**

**Community Standards**

**Commits**

**Code frequency**

**Dependency graph** (highlighted with an orange box)

**Network**

**Forks**

**Dependency graph**

**Dependencies** **Dependents**

These dependencies are defined in `cli`'s manifest files, such as `package-lock.json`, `package.json`, and `docs/package.json`.

**Dependencies defined in package-lock.json**

`package-lock.json` has no dependencies or is too large to display

**Dependencies defined in package.json 82** (highlighted with an orange box)

>  `isaacs / string-locale-compare` @`isaacs/string-locale-compare` ^ 1.1.0

>  `npm / cli` @`npmcli/arborist` ^ 6.0.0-pre.4

>  `npm / ci-detect` @`npmcli/ci-detect` ^ 3.0.0

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# Demo: npm/cli - Dependencies

```
📦 Dependencies defined in package.json 82

▼ isaacs / string-locale-compare @isaacs/string-locale-compare ← ^ 1.1.0
  ▼ tapjs / node-tap tap ← ^ 15.0.9
    > vladimdemedes / import-jsx @isaacs/import-jsx
    > turkdevops / minimal-react-typings @types/react
    > paulmillr / chokidar ^ 3.3.0
    > nickmerwin / node-coveralls coveralls ^ 3.0.11
    > findit ^ 2.0.0
    > facebook / flow flow-remove-types ^ 2.112.0
    > tapjs / foreground-child ^ 2.0.0
    > isaacs / fs-exists-cached ^ 1.0.0
    > isaacs / node-glob glob ^ 7.1.6
    > vladimdemedes / ink
```

# Demo: npm/cli - Dependents

The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for `npm / cli`. The main content area is highlighted with an orange border. Inside this box, there is a heading "Dependency graph" followed by two tabs: "Dependencies" and "Dependents". Below the tabs, it says "Repositories that depend on `@npmcli/arborist`". A summary box indicates "58,333 Repositories" and "70 Packages". To the right of this summary, there is a dropdown menu set to "Package: `@npmcli/arborist`". The rest of the page displays a list of repositories that depend on the package, each with a small profile picture, the repository name, and star/fork counts.

Owner	Star 0	Fork 0
waldronmatt / test	☆ 0	🍴 0
aramirez89 / Portafolio	☆ 0	🍴 0
Julusian / node-loupedeck	☆ 0	🍴 0
kocyigitkim / fastapi-cli	☆ 0	🍴 0
yashd26 / mental-health-web-app	☆ 0	🍴 0

# OWASP SCVS – V2 Software Bill of Materials

- SBOM creation is automated and reproducible
- SBOM has been signed by publisher, supplier, or certifying authority
- SBOM signature verification exists and is performed
- SBOM is analyzed for risk

# V2 Software Bill of Materials

- Multiple standards for SBOM formats:
  - SPDX (Software Package Data Exchange) – Linux Foundation
    - Focusses on license information
    - ISO Standard
  - CycloneDX – OWASP
    - Focusses on vulnerabilities and security
- Example SBOM creation with GitHub Actions & CycloneDX:  
<https://github.com/wulfland/AccelerateDevOps/actions/runs/3176320773>

# V2 Software Bill of Materials - demo

The screenshot shows a GitHub Actions workflow run titled "Generate SBOM #6". The workflow file is located at `.github/workflows/sbom.yml`. The "Workflow file" tab is selected. The "build" job is shown, and its steps include:

```
1 name: Generate SBOM
2
3 on: [workflow_dispatch]
4
5 jobs:
6   build:
7     runs-on: ubuntu-latest
8
9   steps:
10  - name: Checkout Code
11    uses: actions/checkout@v2
12
13  - name: CycloneDX .NET Generate SBOM
14    uses: CycloneDX/gh-dotnet-generate-sbom@v1.0.1
15    with:
16      path: ./ch9_release/src/Tailwind.Traders.Web.sln
17      github bearer token: ${{ secrets.GITHUB_TOKEN }}
18
19  - name: Upload a Build Artifact
20    uses: actions/upload-artifact@v2.3.1
21    with:
22      path: bom.xml
```

An orange arrow points to the step where the CycloneDX .NET Generate SBOM action is used.

# V2 Software Bill of Materials - demo

```
bom.xml  X  
C: > Users > RobBos > AppData > Local > Temp > Temp1_artifact.zip > bom.xml  
1  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>  
2  <bom xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance" xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema" serialNumber=  
3    <metadata>  
4      <tools>  
5        <tool>  
6          <vendor>CycloneDX</vendor>  
7          <name>CycloneDX module for .NET</name>  
8          <version>2.3.0.0</version>  
9        </tool>  
10       </tools>  
11       <component type="application" bom-ref="Tailwind.Traders.Web@0.0.0">  
12         <name>Tailwind.Traders.Web</name>  
13         <version>0.0.0</version>  
14       </component>  
15     </metadata>  
16     <components>  
17       <component type="library" bom-ref="pkg:nuget/Azure.Core@1.8.1">  
18         <publisher>Microsoft</publisher>  
19         <name>Azure.Core</name>  
20         <version>1.8.1</version>  
21         <description>This is the implementation of the Azure Client Pipeline</description>  
22         <scope>required</scope>  
23         <hashes>  
24           <hash alg="SHA-512">87135CD530138F27E7C52BA23FB91CE37DE7AE0A016E08D4A5ABF33BD80B0D168996E3A437378B8BDC16667E2  
25         </hashes>  
26         <licenses>  
27           <license>  
28             <id>MIT</id>  
29           </license>  
30         </licenses>  
31         <copyright>© Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.</copyright>  
32         <purl>pkg:nuget/Azure.Core@1.8.1</purl>  
33         <externalReferences>  
34           <reference type="website">  
35             <url>https://github.com/Azure/azure-sdk-for-net/blob/Azure.Core_1.8.1/sdk/core/Azure.Core/README.md</url>  
36           </reference>
```

# OWASP SCVS V3 – Build Environment

- Application build pipeline may only perform builds of source code maintained in version control systems
- Application build pipeline prohibits alteration of DNS and network settings during build
- Application build pipeline prohibits alteration of certificate trust stores
- Application build pipeline enforces authentication and defaults to deny
- Application build pipeline enforces authorization and defaults to deny
- Application build pipeline requires separation of concerns for the modification of system settings
- Application build pipeline maintains a verifiable audit log of all system changes
- Application build pipeline maintains a verifiable audit log of all build job changes
- Application build pipeline has required maintenance cadence where the entire stack is updated, patched, and re-certified for use
- Compilers, version control clients, development utilities, and software development kits are analyzed and monitored for tampering, trojans, or malicious code
- All build-time manipulations to source or binaries are known and well defined
- Checksums of all first-party and third-party components are documented for every build
- Checksums of all components are accessible and delivered out-of-band whenever those components are packaged or distributed
- Unused direct and transitive components have been identified
- Unused direct and transitive components have been removed from the application

# OWASP SCVS V3 – Build Environment

- Application build pipeline maintains a verifiable audit log of:
  - build job changes
  - system changes
- The entire build stack is updated, patched, and re-certified for use
- Everything is analyzed and monitored for tampering, trojans, or malicious code
  - Compilers
  - Version control clients
  - Development utilities
  - Software development kits

# V3 – Build Environment

- Application build pipeline maintains a verifiable audit log of
  - build job changes
  - system changes
- Example in GitHub Actions: end-to-end traceability:
  - Workflow changes in commits
  - Execution environment in the logs
    - <https://github.com/devops-actions/issue-comment-tag/actions>

# V3 – Build Environment - demo

The screenshot shows a GitHub repository page for `devops-actions / issue-comment-tag`. The `Actions` tab is selected, displaying a recent build for a pull request. The build status is green, indicating success, with the message `Bump node-fetch from 2.6.6 to 2.6.7 (#14) Build the action #57`. The build log is titled `build` and shows it succeeded 4 hours ago in 21s. The log details the setup job, which includes information about the runner version (2.289.1), operating system (Ubuntu 20.04.4 LTS), virtual environment (ubuntu-20.04), and included software (<https://github.com/actions/virtual-environments/blob/ubuntu20/20220227.1/images/linux/Ubuntu2004-Readme.md>). An orange arrow points to the link in the log.

```
build
succeeded 4 hours ago in 21s
Search logs
2s

Set up job
1 Current runner version: '2.289.1'
2 ▼Operating System
3   Ubuntu
4   20.04.4
5   LTS
6 ▼Virtual Environment
7   Environment: ubuntu-20.04
8   Version: 20220227.1
9   Included Software: https://github.com/actions/virtual-environments/blob/ubuntu20/20220227.1/images/linux/Ubuntu2004-Readme.md
10  Image Release: https://github.com/actions/virtual-environments/releases/tag/ubuntu20%2F20220227.1
11 ▼Virtual Environment Provisioner
12   1.0.0.0-main-20220307-1
13 ▶ GITHUB_TOKEN Permissions
14   Secret source: Actions
15   Prepare workflow directory
16   Prepare all required actions
17   Getting action download info
18   Download action repository 'actions/checkout@v2' (SHA:ec3a7ce113134d7a93b817d10a8272cb61118579)
```

# V3 – Build Environment - demo

<https://github.com/actions/virtual-environments/blob/ubuntu20/20220227.1/images/linux/Ubuntu2004-Readme.md>

The screenshot shows a GitHub repository page for `actions/virtual-environments`. The URL in the address bar is `https://github.com/actions/virtual-environments/blob/ubuntu20/20220227.1/images/linux/Ubuntu2004-Readme.md`. The page displays the `Ubuntu2004-Readme.md` file. The commit history shows a single commit from user `459680` on Feb 28, 2022, updating the README file for the `ubuntu20` version `20220227.1`. The file content includes an "Announcements" section with a link to an issue about memory allocation in static TLS blocks, and a "Ubuntu 20.04.4 LTS" section listing the Linux kernel version (`5.11.0-1028-azure`) and image version (`20220227.1`). The "Installed Software" section lists the installed language and runtime packages: `Bash 5.0.17(1)-release` and `Clang 10.0.0, 11.0.0, 12.0.0`.

Ubuntu 20.04.4 LTS

- Linux kernel version: 5.11.0-1028-azure
- Image Version: 20220227.1

Installed Software

Language and Runtime

- Bash 5.0.17(1)-release
- Clang 10.0.0, 11.0.0, 12.0.0

# OWASP SCVS V4 – Package management

- Package repository components have been published with multi-factor authentication
- Package repository notifies publishers & users of security issues
- Package repository requires code signing to publish packages to production repositories
- Package manager verifies the integrity of packages when they are retrieved:
  - From remote repository
  - From file system

# OWASP SCVS V4 – Package management

- Package repository components have been published with multi-factor authentication – npm improvements with 2FA
- Package repository notifies publishers & users of security issues
  - Dependabot does this
- Package repository requires code signing to publish packages to production repositories
  - Most package managers do not have support
  - npm focusses on 2FA
  - NuGet, Maven / Gradle / Ant (uploads through Maven central), RubyGems

# OWASP SCVS V5 - Component Analysis

- Component is analyzed using linters and/or static analysis tools
- Linting and/or static analysis is performed with every upgrade
- An automated process for:
  - Identifying all publicly disclosed vulnerabilities is used
  - Identifying confirmed dataflow exploitability is used
  - For identifying end-of-life / end-of-support components is used

# V5 - Component Analysis

- Component is analyzed using linters and/or static analysis tools
  - Trigger workflow on push
- Linting and/or static analysis is performed with every upgrade
  - Branch protection rules
- An automated process for:
  - Identifying all publicly disclosed vulnerabilities is used: Dependabot
  - Identifying confirmed dataflow exploitability is used: SAST (CodeQL) / DAST
  - For identifying end-of-life / end-of-support components is used: ?

# CodeQL

Code Query Language: Database + Queries

Demo: [Code scanning alerts · github.com](https://github.com)

# CodeQL Demo

Code scanning alerts / #1

## Clear-text logging of sensitive information

 Open

in main 2 days ago

TailwindTradersBotComposer/scripts/provisionComposer.js:805 

```
802     runtimeIdentifier: 'win-x64',  
803 };  
804  
805 console.log(chalk.white(JSON.stringify(profile, null, 2)));
```

Sensitive data returned by an access to appPassword is logged here.  
Sensitive data returned by an access to MicrosoftAppPassword is logged here.  
Sensitive data returned by an access to appPassword is logged here.  
Sensitive data returned by an access to appPassword is logged here.

CodeQL Show paths

```
806  
807     console.log('');  
808 }
```

# CodeQL demo

ite Edit Pins

## Clear-text logging of sensitive information

12 steps in provisionComposer.js ▾ X

Step 1 argv.appPassword

TailwindTradersBotComposer/scripts/provisionComposer.js:84

```
81 // Get required fields from the arguments
82 const subId = argv.subscriptionId;
83 const name = argv.name.toString();
84 const appPassword = argv.appPassword; ← Entrypoint of data flow
85
86 // Get optional fields from the arguments
87 const environment = argv.environment || 'dev';
```

Source

The screenshot shows a dark-themed interface for a static code analysis tool. At the top, there's a header with 'ite' on the left, 'Edit Pins' on the right, and a close button 'X'. Below the header, the title 'Clear-text logging of sensitive information' is displayed, along with a progress bar indicating '12 steps in provisionComposer.js'. The main area is titled 'Step 1 argv.appPassword' and shows a code snippet from 'TailwindTradersBotComposer/scripts/provisionComposer.js:84'. The line `const appPassword = argv.appPassword;` is highlighted with a yellow box, and an orange arrow points from the text 'Entrypoint of data flow' to this highlighted line. The code itself is in a monospaced font, with line numbers 81 through 87 on the left.

# OWASP SCVS V6 - Pedigree and Provenance

- Point of origin is verifiable for components
- Chain of custody is auditable for components

# V6 - Pedigree and Provenance

- Point of origin is verifiable for components
  - Dependabot dependency graph
- Chain of custody is auditable for components
  - Where did the component came from:
    - Pipeline link
    - Commit history

Example: <https://github.com/npm/cli/releases>

# V6 - Pedigree and Provenance

- Point of origin is verifiable for components
  - Cosign + sigstore = verification options for containers
- Chain of custody is auditable for components
  - SLSA is doing this for other binaries

# OWASP SCVS

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# Protect yourself against supply chain attacks



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