

Scaling Security in the Cloud With Open Source

Cloud Village @ DEF CON 27

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Our Cloud Vision and Strategy

Immutable Servers

Infrastructure as Code

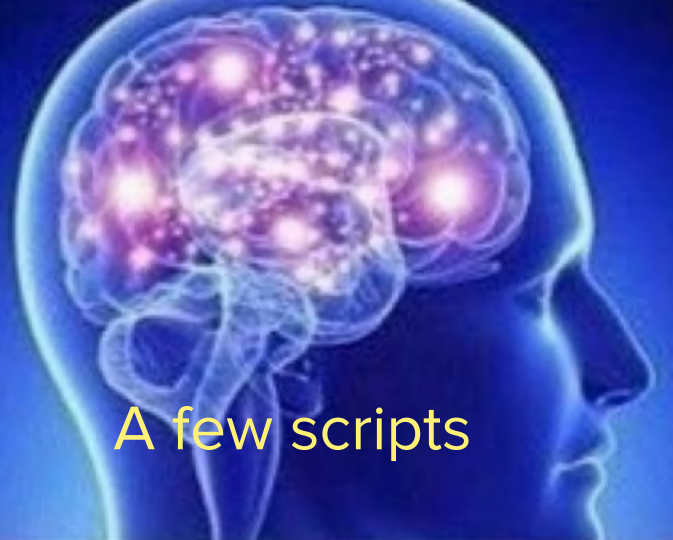
Automated Deployments

Secure by Default

Platform as a Service



No automation



A few scripts



DevOps / Continuous
Delivery



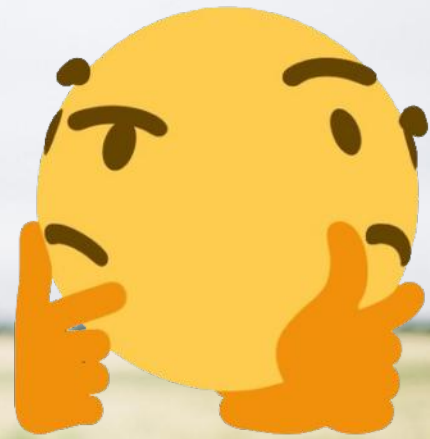
EVIL



```
git clone https://github.com/team-member/giving-back.git
cd giving-back/
git add ACCESS_KEY
git add SECRET_ACCESS_KEY
git commit -m "whoops"
git push origin master
```




What happened?



How can we do
more with less?





HashiCorp

Vault

“Secure, store and tightly control access to tokens, passwords, certificates, encryption keys for protecting secrets and other sensitive data using a UI, CLI, or HTTP API.”



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Our use cases...

- Static Secrets - Key/Value Secrets Engine
- Dynamic Secrets
 - Database Credentials - PostgreSQL Database Secrets Engine
 - AWS Access Keys - AWS Secrets Engine
- SSH One Time Password Secrets Engine



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Authentication



```
C:\> $env:VALUT_ADDR="https://vault.domain/"  
C:\> vault login -method=ldap username=REDACTED
```

Password (will be hidden):

Success! You are now authenticated. The token information displayed below is already stored in the token helper. You do NOT need to run "vault login" again. Future Vault requests will automatically use this token.

Key	Value
---	-----
token	REDACTED
token_accessor	REDACTED
token_duration	60m
token_renewable	true
token_policies	["aws-api-engineer" "ec2-user-otp" "secrets-read-write"]
identity_policies	[]
policies	["aws-api-engineer" "ec2-user-otp" "secrets-read-write"]
token_meta_username	REDACTED



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Key/Value Secrets Engine



```
C:\> vault kv get -field=gossip_encryption_key secrets/consul  
REDACTEDb64string==
```



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PostgreSQL Database Secrets Engine



```
C:\> vault read databases/my-db/creds/readonly
```

Key	Value
---	-----
lease_id	databases/my-db/creds/readonly/REDACTED
lease_duration	1h
lease_renewable	true
password	REDACTED
username	v-ldap-jam-readonly-REDACTED-1564365162



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AWS Secrets Engine



```
C:\> vault write aws/sts/engineer -ttl=600m
```

Key	Value
---	-----
lease_id	aws/sts/engineer/mypEk7TnmJ5C3GNXWwLShJUj
lease_duration	1h
lease_renewable	false
access_key	ASIA2BDGSZGTWUQLFUHR
secret_key	l5kX7xGTAT5ju82SUCU12wZcu3tL2ICibzPiv09e
security_token	FQoGZXIvYXdzEAMaDKKda0K298DE2Q3gQSABRIDGED



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SSH One Time Password Secrets Engine



```
C:\> vault write ssh/creds/read-user-otp ip=10.2.3.4
```

Key

Value

lease_id

ssh/creds/read-user-otp/REDACTED

lease_duration

1h

lease_renewable

false

ip

10.2.3.4

key

cd126512-082f-efed-ff55-REDACTED

key_type

otp

port

22

username

read-user



Cloud Custodian

- Cloud configuration governance
- Automated checking and enforcement
- Policy as code
- Notifications



Cloud Custodian - Example Policy

```

policies:
  - name: s3-not-encrypted
    resource: aws.s3
    description: Ensures that S3 buckets are encrypted.
    mode:
      type: periodic
      schedule: "rate(5 minutes)"
      role: arn:aws:iam::${ACCOUNT_ID}:role/${ACCOUNT_NAME}-custodian
      timeout: 200
      execution-options:
        log_group: /cloud-custodian
    filters:
      - type: bucket-encryption
        state: false
    actions:
      - type: set-bucket-encryption
```



Cloud Custodian - Notifications

actions:

- type: set-bucket-encryption

- type: notify

template: default.html

priority_header: '2'

subject: "[cloud-custodian] An S3 bucket that is unencrypted has been detected"

violation_desc: "The bucket has been encrypted."

questions_email: cloud-custodian@domain.com

to:

- cloud-custodian@domain.com

- resource-owner

transport:

type: sqs

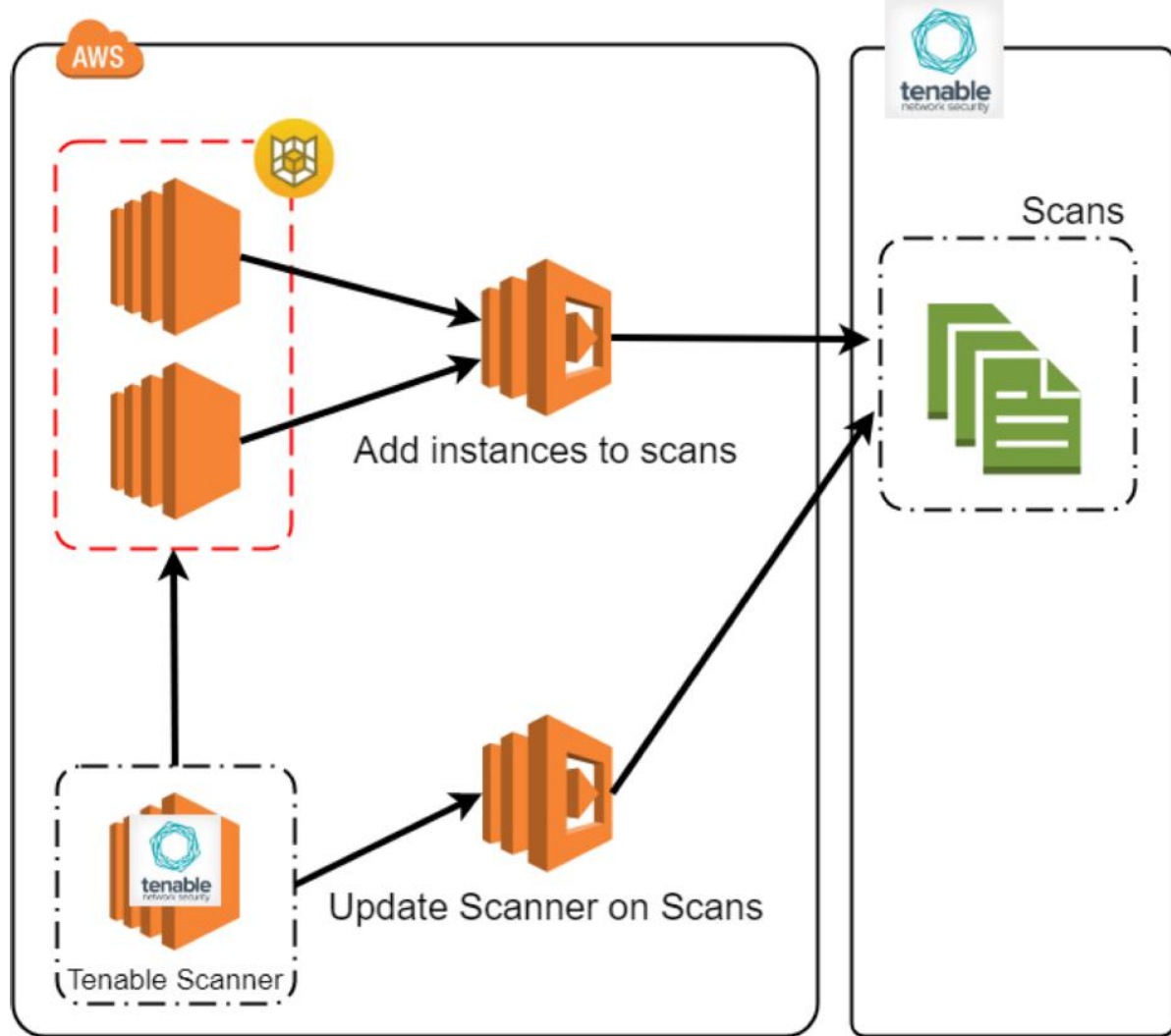
queue: https://sqs.REGION.amazonaws.com/\${ACCOUNT_ID}/\${ACCOUNT_NAME}-custodian-mailer

Security Scanning Automation / Dealing With Cattle

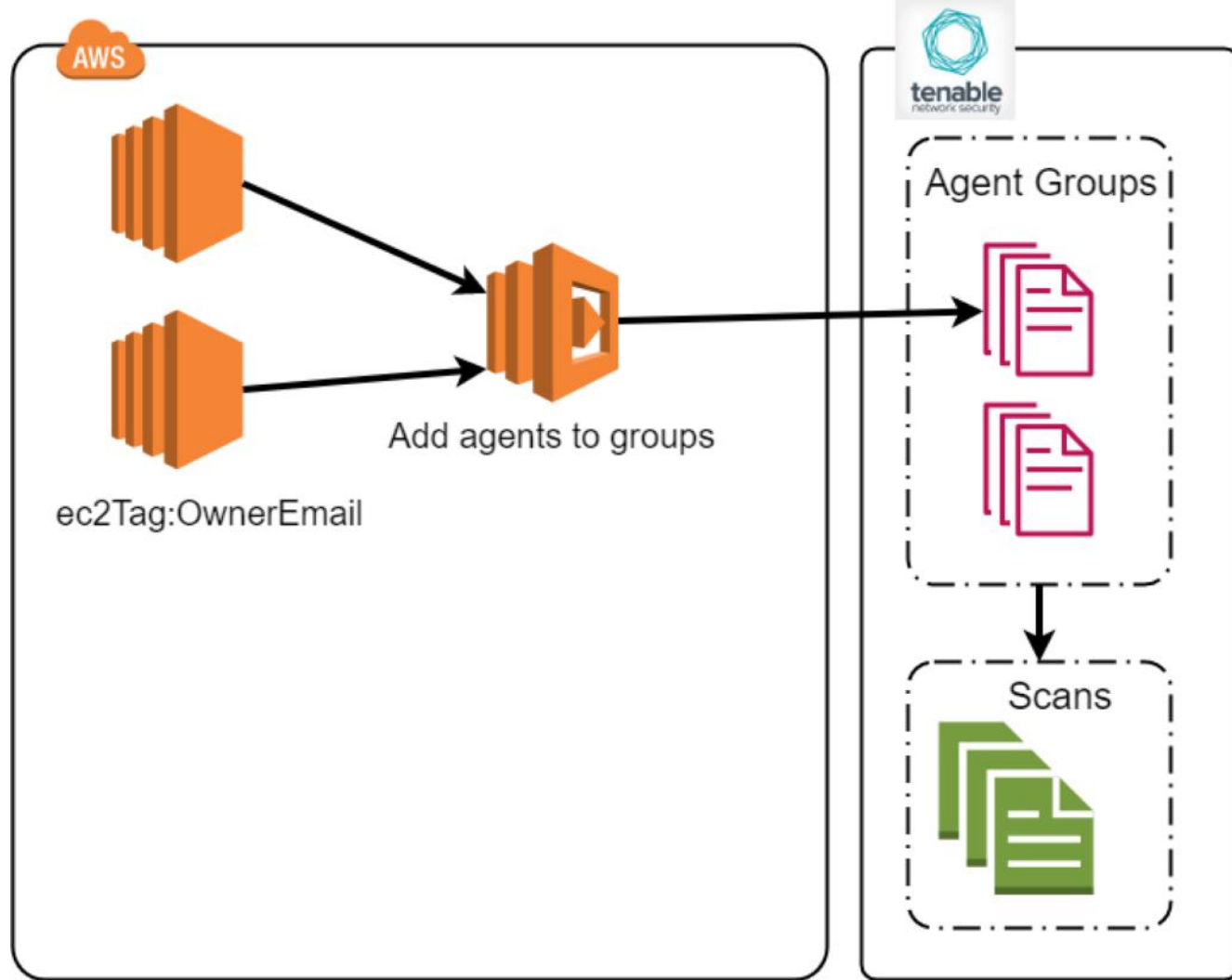
- Eliminate manual effort to update scan configurations
- Group instances logically by owner
- Support custom scans based on tags



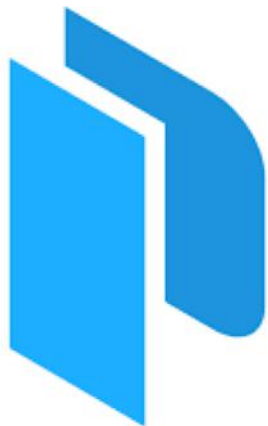
Scanner Based Scanning



Agent Based Scanning

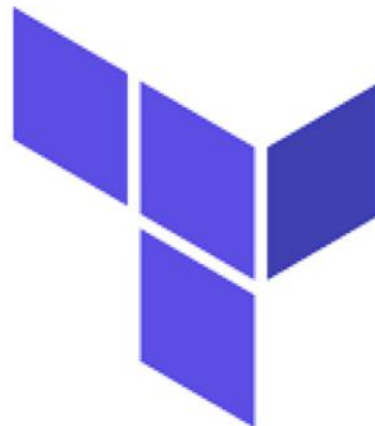


Secure by Default



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Packer



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Terraform



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```
"builders": [{
  "type": "amazon-ebs",
  "source_ami_filter": {
    "filters": {
      "virtualization-type": "hvm",
      "name": "{{user `source_ami_filter`}}",
      "root-device-type": "ebs"
    },
    "owners": ["amazon", "aws-marketplace"],
    "most_recent": true
  },
  "vpc_id": "{{user `vpc_id`}}",
  "subnet_id": "{{user `subnet_id`}}",
  "ami_name": "{{user `ami_name_prefix`}}-v{{user `ami_version`}}.{{user `build_number`}}",
  "encrypt_boot": "true",
  "tags": {
    "Name": "{{user `ami_name_prefix`}}-v{{user `ami_version`}}.{{user `build_number`}}",
    "Application": "{{user `tag_application`}}",
    "Environment": "{{user `tag_environment`}}",
    "Role": "{{user `tag_role`}}",
    "SourceAMI": "{{ .SourceAMI }}"
  }
}],
"provisioners": [{
  "type": "chef-solo",
  "run_list": "{{user `ami_run_list`}}"
}]
```




```
module "my_web_farm" {
  source = "git::ssh://git@git.ourdomain.com/terraform-modules/web-farm.git?ref=v1"

  application    = "my-app"
  environment    = "production"
  role           = "web"

  certificate_arn = "${aws_iam_server_certificate.my_cert.arn}"

  vpc_id          = "${data.aws_vpc.production_vpc.id}"
  service_port    = "5000"

  min_size       = 1
  max_size       = 2
  image_id       = "${data.aws_ami.my_baked_ami.id}"
  instance_type  = "t2.micro"

  user_data       = "${file("user_data.sh")}"
  internet_facing = true

  health_check_path = "/index.html"

  autoscaling_notification_topic_arns = ["${aws_sns_topic.my_teams_sns_topic.arn}"]
}
```

What went not so well...

- Lots of work before Custodian deployed
- Teams started rolling their own sans modules
- Our integration with a cloud consultancy is preventing us from taking advantage of some newer features

Resources

- <https://carbon.now.sh/> ➤ code formatting
- <https://unsplash.com/> ➤ images
- <https://www.vaultproject.io/> ➤ HashiCorp Vault
- <https://cloudcustodian.io/> ➤ Cloud Custodian

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