

# Use AI in DevSecOps

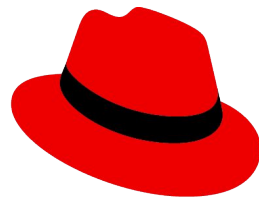
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# Introduction

- Self introduction
- Introduction what we are going to understand from the presentation

# Introduction

- ▶ Sr. Software Engineer, AI Centre of Excellence, Red Hat Boston.
- ▶ Primarily part of AI DevSecOps team,  
working on Project Thoth: AI Stacks recommendation system
- ▶ Currently focusing on DevOps and Thoth bots



**Red Hat**

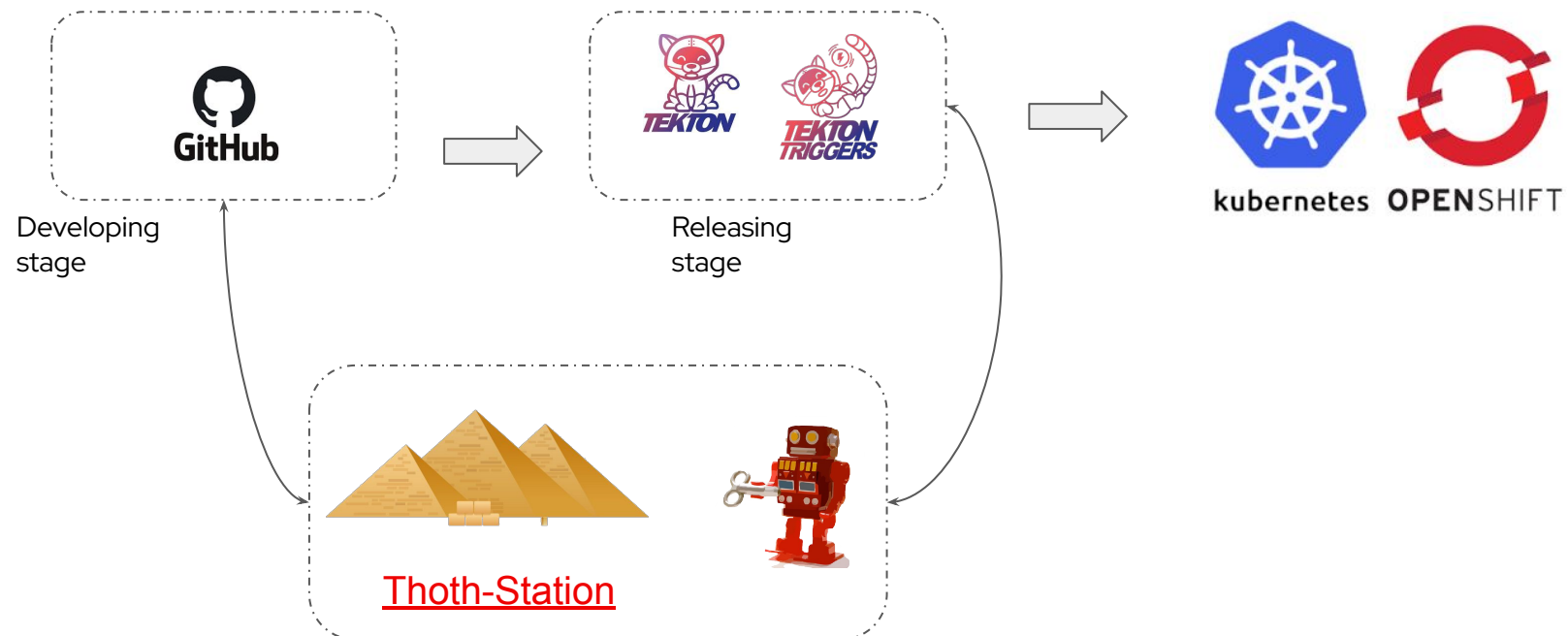


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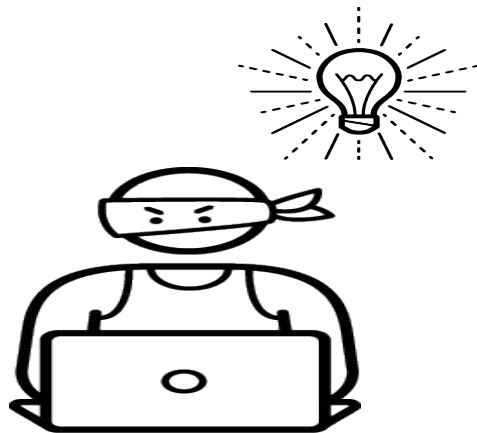


# Goal

- Share the learning about the security in pipeline using AI tools



# What we'll discuss today



- ▶ Why care about security in the DevOps ?
- ▶ Project Thoth
- ▶ Integration in CI/CD
- ▶ Secure Supply Chain
- ▶ More advancements

# Need of Security

- Explain about the security in the code side
- Issue to be faced

# Why care about security in the DevOps?

Developers make sure that source code is security without any data leaks, however it significantly harder to have this kinda check on the imported packages.

- ▶ provide critical software dependencies in a secure infrastructure
- ▶ pin down dependencies based on deep developer knowledge
- ▶ provide interactive guidance services to data scientists
- ▶ CI/CD pipelines gating based on guidance services

# Key Challenges in Creating Secure Software Supply Chains

- ▶ **Extensive release of dependent packages:** Latest is not always the greatest. Dependent package being released often, put more work on the security side
- ▶ **Inconsistent industry adoption:** varying approaches to identity & trust models across popular language & packaging frameworks; minimal traction within cloud-native ecosystem to date
- ▶ **Integration challenges:** Significant number of technologies in use for CI/CD, application frameworks, hybrid infrastructure.
- ▶ **Increased complexity:** shift-left puts more responsibility for security on the developer, where skills gaps & fragmented ecosystems impede progress



# Thoth Introduction

- Introduction to Thoth
- Explain persona
- Explain little bit on adviser, thamos
- Triggers



## Project Thoth

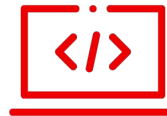
- Help developers in the selection of dependencies for their applications depending on their requirements
- Deliver optimized images for your applications
- Use bots to automate mundane work to offload humans work

# Personae we are targeting



## Data Scientist

responsible for releasing a machine-learning model



## (AI) Developer

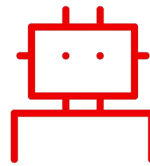
maintains an application wrapping the model



## DevOps Engineer

operates the model service

# Persona we are providing

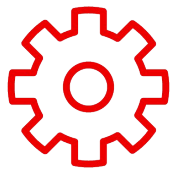


## (AI) DevSecOps Cyborg

maintaining application dependencies  
and deployments  
based on the knowledge we leaned

# How Thoth can help developers?

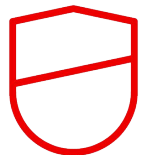
Create Machine-generated and apply Machine-learned knowledge via well-known DevSecOps tools so that teams win a junior developer



## Knowledge generation and acquisition/learning

A system to aggregating knowledge across communities and customers to derive aggregate value automatically.

Build and run time analysis for application stacks



## Optimize build artifacts, and deployment configurations

Provide optimized AI Stacks, like TensorFlow

Pipelines to deploy optimized  
and customized application configuration



## Knowledge application (aka Services)

A project to introduce Analytics / AI-based automation into CI/CD processes

Provide guidance via Thoth Services (OpenShift Pipelines, GitHub apps, etc.)



# How do we use this knowledge?

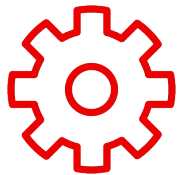
- Recommender system is called **Adviser** in Thoth.
- It uses Reinforcement Learning (RL).



## Project Thoth

[Check the video](#)

# What Thoth stores within it's knowledge graph



## Application Stack related

Build time and runtime environment  
Dependencies graphs  
Performances and Security Indicators



## Software Package

Application Binary Interfaces (ABI)  
Security (CVE, Prescriptions, analyzers)



## Source Code Meta Information

Project features (TTR, TTCl, etc,..) from  
different software development platform

# Thoth Recommendation types

- ▶ Latest
- ▶ Stable
- ▶ Security
- ▶ Performance



```
host: {THOTH_SERVICE_HOST}
tls_verify: true
requirements_format: {requirements_format}

runtime_environments:
- name: '{os_name}:{os_version}'
  operating_system:
    name: {os_name}
    version: '{os_version}'
  hardware:
    cpu_family: {cpu_family}
    cpu_model: {cpu_model}
  python_version: '{python_version}'
  cuda_version: {cuda_version}
  recommendation_type: stable
  platform: '{platform}'
```

# Asking for an advise – CLI

## ▶ Thamos CLI

- <https://pypi.org/project/thamos/>
- .thoth.yaml configuration file already generated

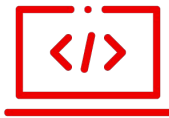
```
$ pip install thamos
```

```
$ cd projects/my-project/
```

```
$ thamos advise
```

- Hands On:
  - <https://github.com/thoth-station/cli-examples>
  - <https://katacoda.com/aicoe/courses/ai-machine-learning/thoth-cli>

# Thoth Integrations



Thamos

Command line tool (developer)



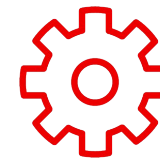
Jupyter Tools  
(data scientist  
browser)



Source-to-Image  
(container builder)



Kebechet  
Cyborg (pull  
request/issues  
creator)



Optimizing Deployment Pipeline

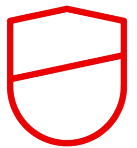
# Security Introduction in thoth

- Change of environments
- CVE data, prescriptions
- Scorecard from ossf
- Results

# Thoth Security Recommendations

Thoth uses three main sources for security-based advisories that affect Python packages.

- ▶ Ingests CVE information for each package from Python Packaging Advisory Database
- ▶ Computes security indicator via workflow using bandit tool from PyCQA
- ▶ Security scorecards for open source projects by the Open Source security Foundation (OpenSSF)



Provide Security to  
Source code

# Ingested CVE

Thoth data aggregation periodically fetches the database of known vulnerabilities and ingests them in knowledge base.

- ▶ Automatically blocks the resolution of software package versions that are prone to security vulnerabilities.
- ▶ The vulnerabilities in open source Python libraries is available at public database provided by Python Packaging Advisory Database

# Security Indicators

Thoth engineers created the second source of data for security-based advisories.

- ▶ Each package imported by the application is statically scanned for possible issues using the open source [Bandit](#) tool.



# Security Scorecards

The third source of security-related advisories consists of security scorecards that provide health metrics for open-source software





# Thoth Prescriptions

- Prescriptions to heal Python applications
  - More Information: [Documentation](#)



- Prescriptions form a declarative interface to the resolution engine  
Set of YAML files that are automatically consumed by resolver in a deployment

# Prescriptions Example

## *Adjust requirements in GPU enabled environments*

- Use tensorflow-gpu as a “pseudonym” to tensorflow if gpu enabled environment is available
- Use the right tensorflow-gpu for the environment following support matrix  
[tf\\_cuda.yaml](#)  
[tf\\_cudnn.yaml](#)

## *Fixing library overpinning issue*

- Tensorflow in version 2.1 can cause runtime errors when running with h5py>=3 caused by overpinning  
[tf\\_s2\\_h5py.yaml](#)

## *Block using certain library functions due to security reasons*

- Mktemp is deprecated due to vulnerability to race conditions  
[tempfile.yaml](#)

# Prescriptions Example

```
units:
  wraps:
    - name: TensorFlowMultipleProcessesGPUBug
      type: wrap
      should_include:
        adviser_pipeline: true
      match:
        state:
          resolved_dependencies:
            - name: tensorflow-gpu
              version: "~=2.3.0"
      run:
        justification:
          - type: WARNING
            message: "tensorflow in version 2.3 has a bug that prevents from running if multiple TensorFlow
processes are running"
            link: tf_38518
```

# Thoth Security Recommendations

## Security based recommendations using Thamos CLI

```
$ pip install thamos
```

```
$ thamos config
```

```
$ thamos add flask
```

```
$ thamos advise --recommendation-type security
```

# Cyborgs Introduction

- Cyborgs of thoth

# Bots helping with app development

- Reduce mundane work and focus on delivering solutions.
- Dependency management and managing life cycle of repository
  - Automatic update of libraries
  - Automatic release management

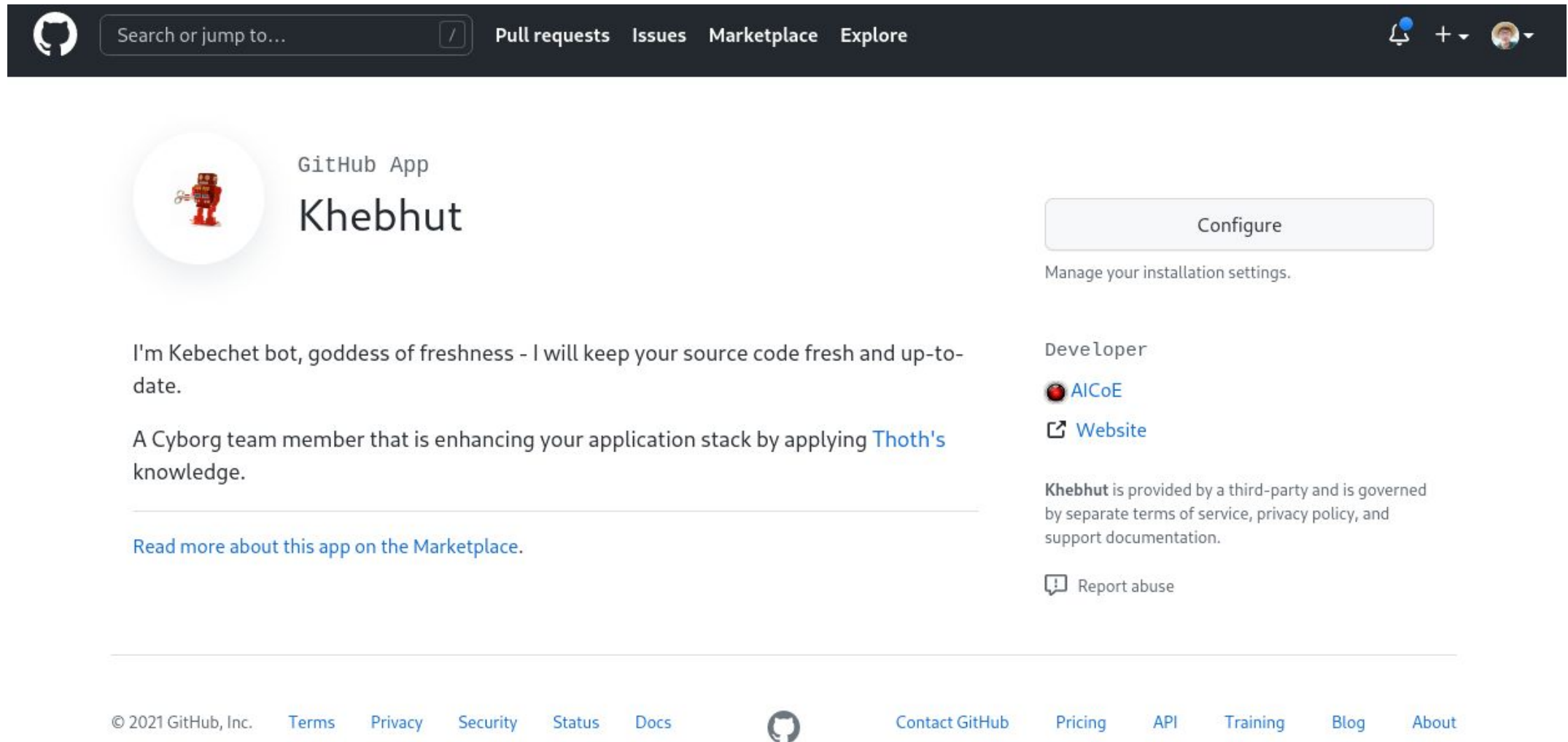


## Kebechet Config

### managers:

- name: **info**  
configuration:  
enabled: false
- name: **thoth-advise**  
configuration:  
enabled: false
- name: **update**  
configuration:  
enabled: false
- name: **version**  
configuration:  
enabled: false








The screenshot shows the GitHub App page for Khebhut. At the top is a dark navigation bar with the GitHub logo, a search bar, and links for Pull requests, Issues, Marketplace, and Explore. On the right of the bar are notification, add, and profile icons. The main content area features the Khebhut app logo (a red robot) and the text "GitHub App Khebhut". To the right is a "Configure" button with the text "Manage your installation settings." Below the logo, a bio states: "I'm Kebechet bot, goddess of freshness - I will keep your source code fresh and up-to-date." and "A Cyborg team member that is enhancing your application stack by applying Thoth's knowledge." A link "Read more about this app on the Marketplace." is provided. On the right side, it says "Developer AICoE" with a link to the "Website" and a disclaimer: "Khebhut is provided by a third-party and is governed by separate terms of service, privacy policy, and support documentation." A "Report abuse" link is at the bottom right. The footer contains copyright information, links to Terms, Privacy, Security, Status, Docs, and a GitHub logo, followed by links to Contact GitHub, Pricing, API, Training, Blog, and About.


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Source: <https://github.com/apps/khebhut>

# Automatic update of dependencies by kebechet. #1614

 Closedkhebhut wants to merge 1 commit into `master` from `kebechet-automatic-update` 

Conversation 11



Commits 1



Checks 1



Files changed 1



khebhut bot commented on Dec 8, 2020

Contributor



Kebechet has updated the dependencies to the latest version 🚀

The direct dependencies updated in the pull request are -

| Package Name   | Old Version | Updated Version | Is Dev |
|----------------|-------------|-----------------|--------|
| thoth-python   | 0.10.2      | 0.11.0          | False  |
| thoth-storages | 0.29.3      | 0.29.4          | False  |
| voluptuous     | 0.12.0      | 0.12.1          | False  |
| hypothesis     | 5.41.4      | 5.41.5          | True   |

Kebechet Version: 1.2.2

khebhut bot requested review from **fridex**, **goern** and **sesheta** as code owners 11 months agokhebhut bot added the **bot** label on Dec 8, 2020



# Release of version 0.47.0 #2160

 Merged **harshad16** merged 1 commit into `master` from `v0.47.0`  2 days ago

 Conversation 4  Commits 1  Checks 0  Files changed 2



**khebhut** bot commented 2 days ago

Contributor  

Hey, @fridex!

Opening this PR to create a release in a backwards compatible manner.

Closes: [#2159](#)

Changelog:

- \* Provide information about last CVE update to users
- \* `:arrow_up:` Automatic update of dependencies by Kebechet for the rhel8 environment
- \* Provide a link to CVE based on info as present in PyPA/advisory-db
- \* `:arrow_up:` Automatic update of dependencies by Kebechet for the rhel8 environment
- \* Fix matching operating system in prescriptions
- \* Fix ABI sieve filtering packages when no image analysis is available
- \* Introduce a CVE sieve
- \* `:arrow_up:` Automatic update of dependencies by Kebechet for the rhel8 environment



Release of version 0.47.0

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# AICoE CI/CD

- Explain of ci/cd
- Introduction to aicoe-ci
- Integration of thoth
- Run

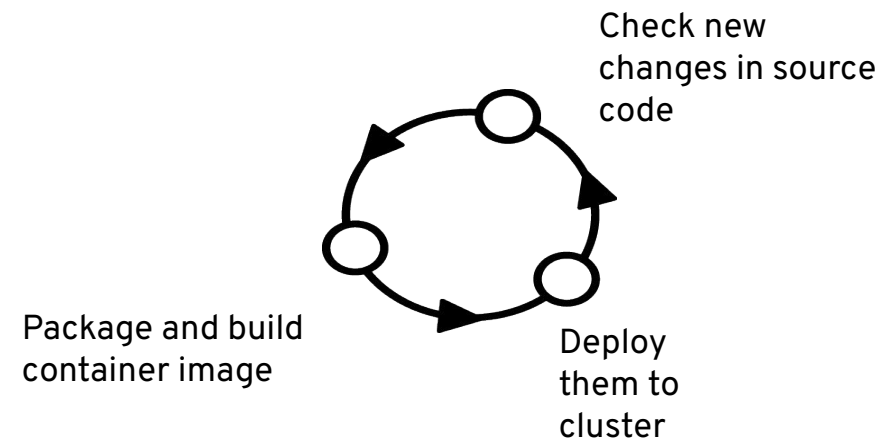
# Why we care about CI/CD ?

Automation | Continuous Validation | Secure Delivery

- Automate test checks on new changes for source code.
- Validation checks to ensure changes are fit for source code.
- Constant packaging and delivery of the container image to deployment.
- Cloud native CI/CD system which could run on-premise OpenShift.

Challenges with the CI/CD system available:

- **No one size fits all**

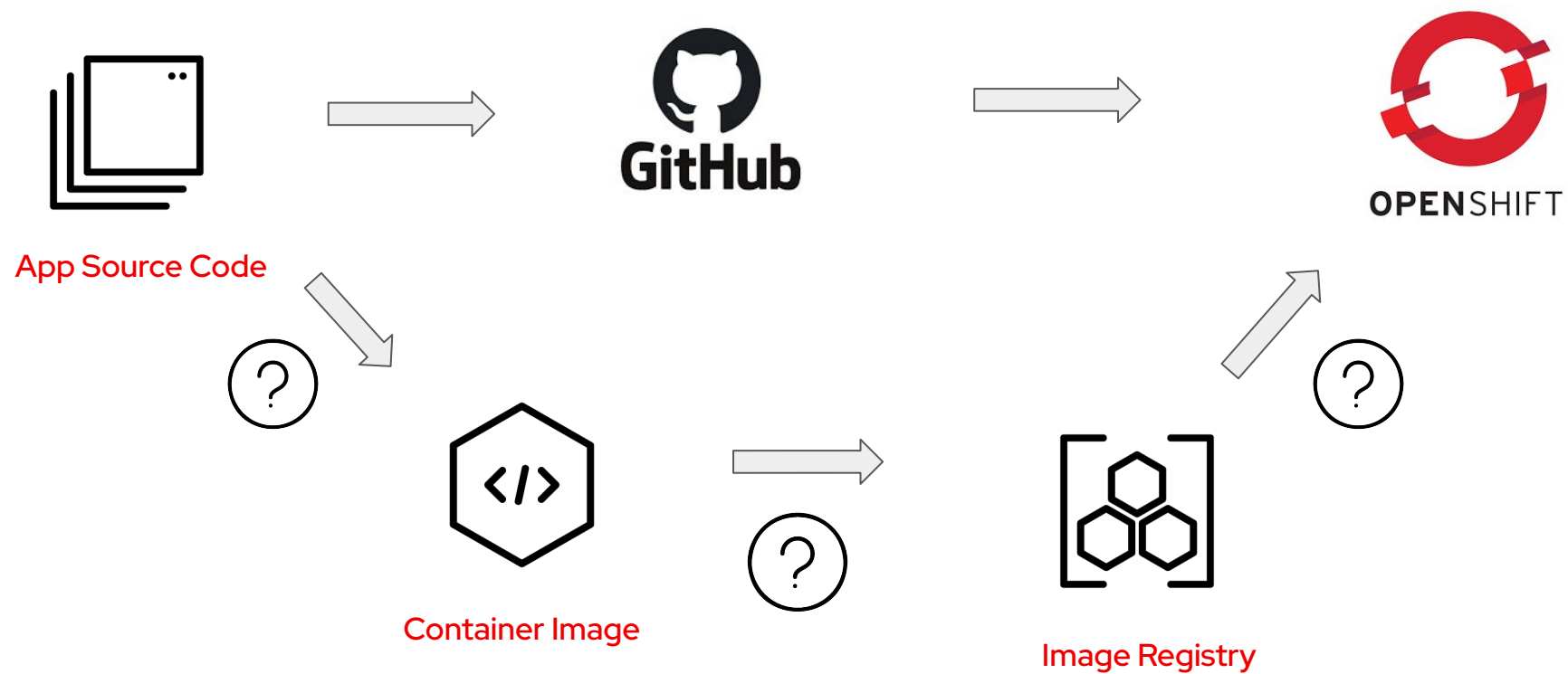


# Develop CI app with Tekton

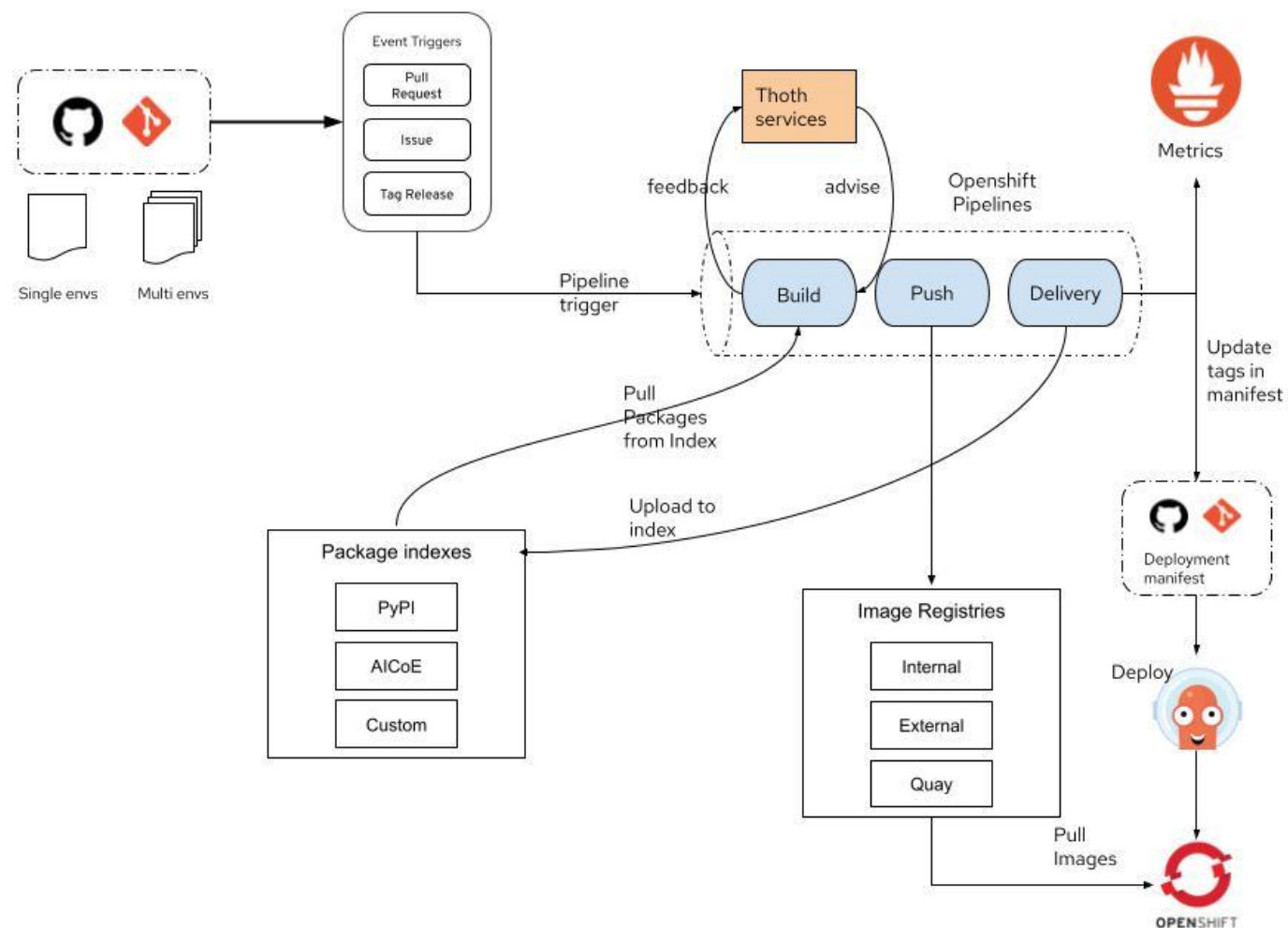
- ▶ Tekton is a flexible open-source framework for creating CI/CD systems.
- ▶ Allows developers to build, test, and deploy across cloud providers and on-premise systems.
- ▶ Now part of [CD Foundations](#).



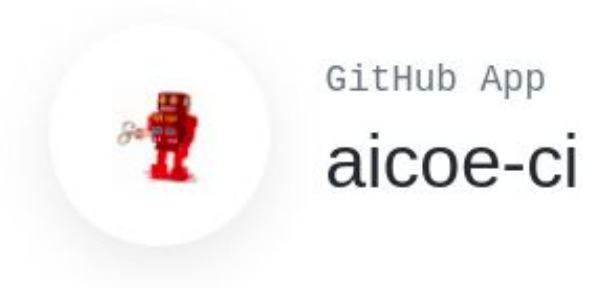
# Information Flow



# CI Architecture



# AICoE CI



This is the Continuous Integration Cyborg maintained by Thoth Station.



Manage your installation settings.

Developer



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# AICoE CI

```
33
34   - name: inference
35     build:
36       base-image: "quay.io/thoth-station/s2i-thoth-ubi8-py38:v0.28.0"
37       build-strategy: Source
38       registry: quay.io
39       registry-org: thoth-station
40       registry-project: elyra-aidevsecops-tutorial
41       registry-secret: thoth-station-thoth-pusher-secret
42     deploy:
43       project-org: "thoth-station"
44       project-name: "elyra-aidevsecops-tutorial"
45       image-name: "elyra-aidevsecops-tutorial"
46       overlay-contextpath: "manifests/overlays/test/imagestreamtag.yaml"
```



# Build Pipeline

- Source-to-Image container images are used to build the image with thoth induced.



Container  
image with  
s2i

- Set the environment variables to start Thoth advise

```
THAMOS_RUNTIME_ENVIRONMENT=""
```

```
THOTH_ADVISE="1"
```

```
THOTH_ERROR_FALLBACK="1"
```

```
THOTH_DRY_RUN="1"
```

```
THAMOS_DEBUG="0"
```

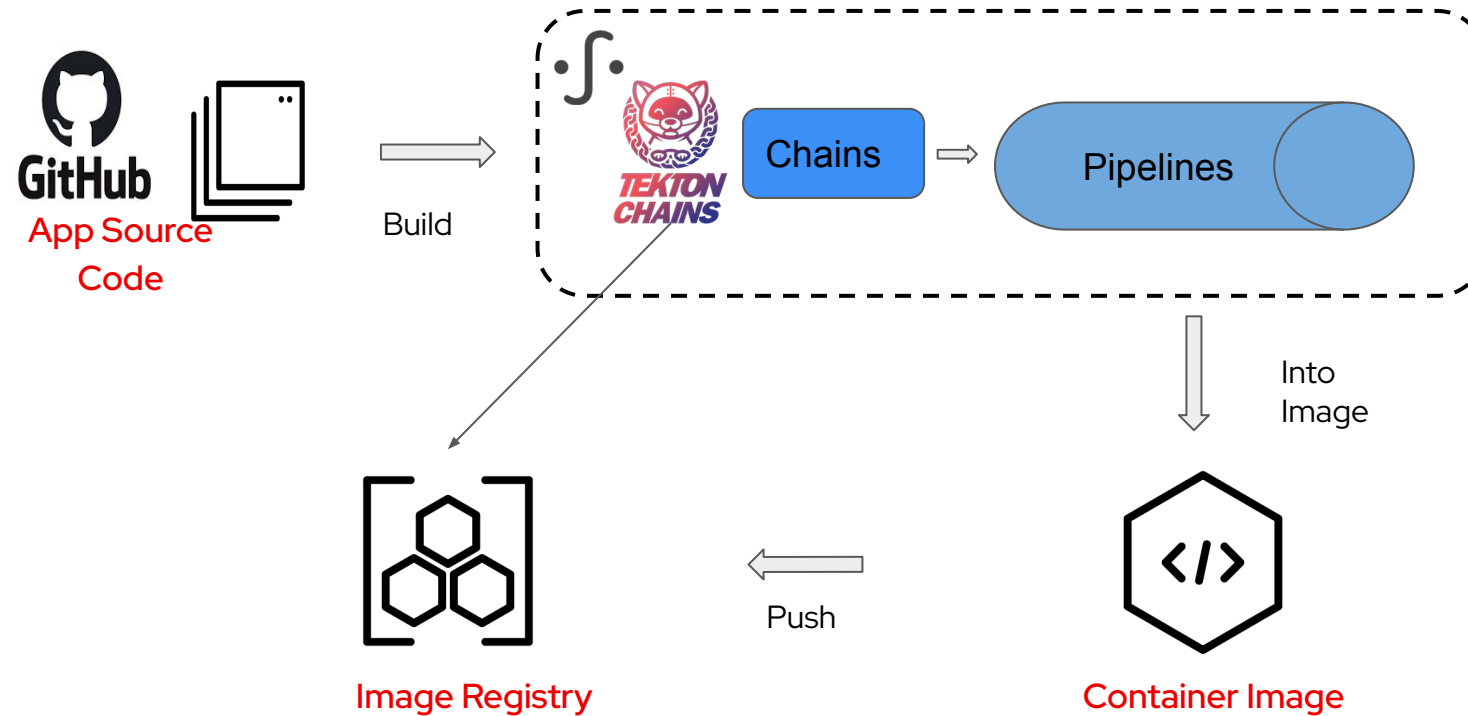
```
THAMOS_VERBOSE="1"
```



# Integrated Tekton chain

- Secure the supply chain
- Integration
- Signature and finishing  
the end step

# Secure the supply build pipeline



# Signed Image for security



## Build

Build the container image for an application



## x509,KMS,Cosign

Signing with a variety of cryptographic key types and services



## Sign Image

Configuring Tekton Chains to generate and sign images



## Push signed Image

Pushing signatures to an OCI registry after signing an image



# Advancements

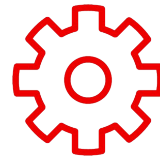
- Predictable pipeline
- Feedback
- Metrics mlops

# Project Meteor

Generating AI/ML Projects into consumable jupyter notebooks.



Github  
Repos

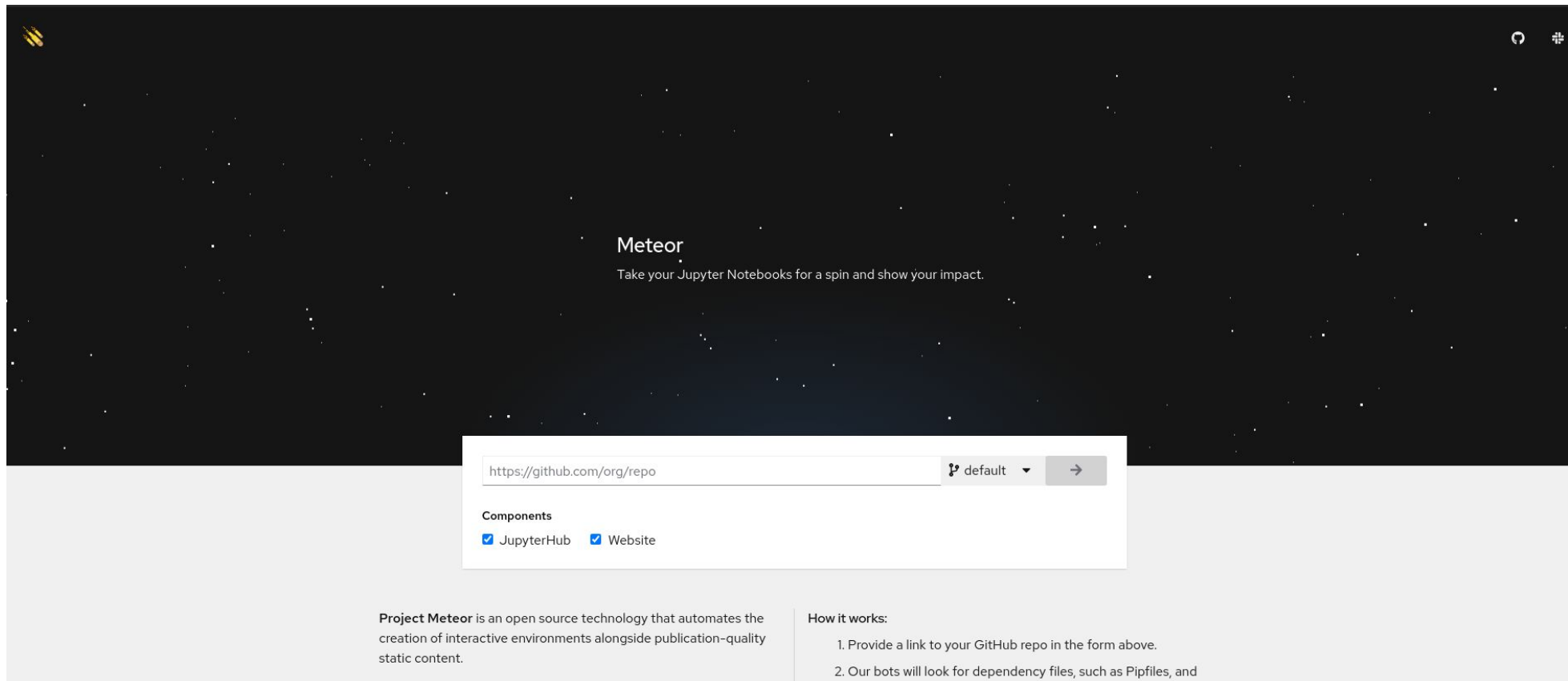


AICoE CI,  
Tekton  
Pipelines,  
Thoth  
Advises



Jupyter  
Lab  
instance

# Project Meteor



The screenshot shows the Project Meteor website. The background is a dark space with white stars. In the center, the word "Meteor" is displayed in a white serif font, with the tagline "Take your Jupyter Notebooks for a spin and show your impact." below it. At the bottom, there is a light gray footer section. On the left, it describes Project Meteor as an open source technology for creating interactive environments. On the right, it lists how it works in two steps. In the center of the footer is a white form with a GitHub repository URL input field, a dropdown menu set to "default", and a submit button. Below the form, there are two checked checkboxes for "JupyterHub" and "Website" under the heading "Components".

**Meteor**  
Take your Jupyter Notebooks for a spin and show your impact.

default →

**Components**

☒ JupyterHub ☒ Website

**Project Meteor** is an open source technology that automates the creation of interactive environments alongside publication-quality static content.

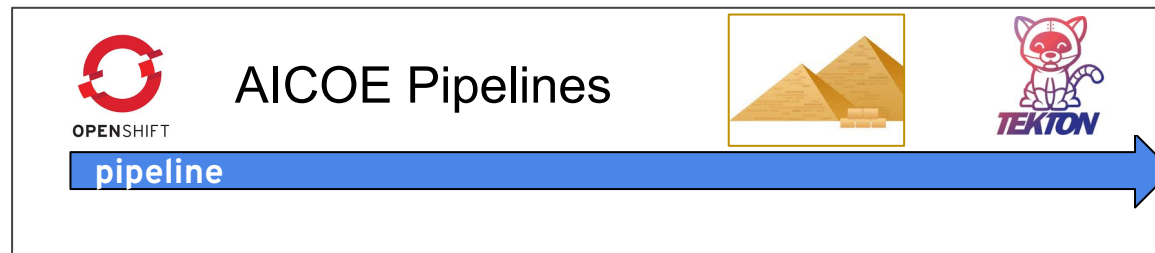
**How it works:**

1. Provide a link to your GitHub repo in the form above.
2. Our bots will look for dependency files, such as Pipfiles, and

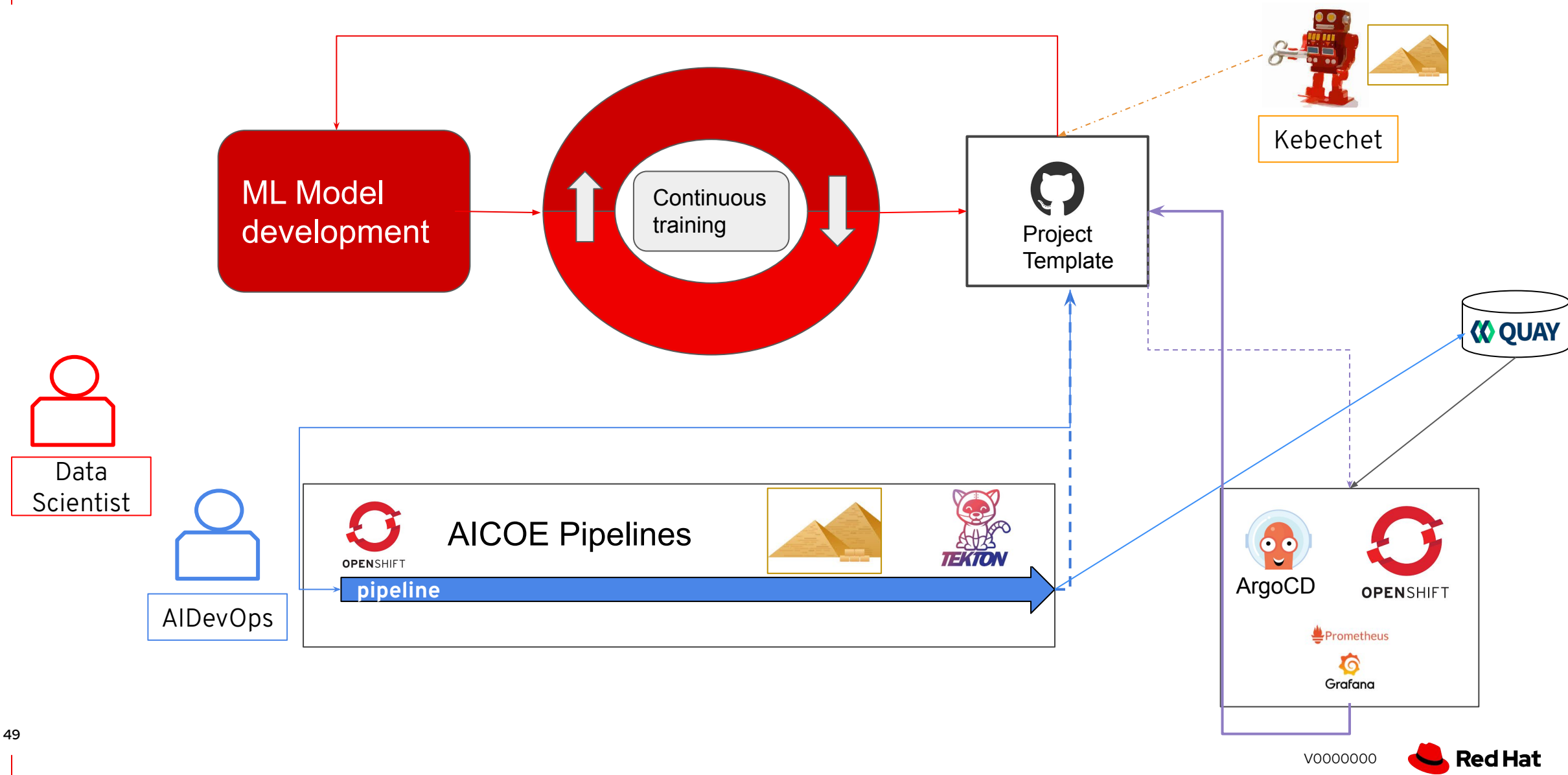
# CI pipeline in Model Development

We have introduced the Feedback and reproducible builds for fast Model Development

- Model requires multiple testing in various environments
- Feedback loop to incurs from the knowledge from previous iterations
- Delivery and deploy of the each release







# References

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## Project Thoth

All Talks: <https://github.com/thoth-station/talks>

Blogs Post:

[Elyra AI DevSecOps Tutorial](#)  
[Secure your python applications with thoth recommendation](#)  
[Resolve python dependencies](#)  
[Thoth Prescriptions resolving Python dependencies](#)

Important Links:

 **Operate-First:** <https://www.operate-first.cloud/>

**AICoE CI:** <https://github.com/AICoE/aicoe-ci>

**Kebechet:** <https://github.com/apps/khebhut>

# Shout Out to Team Thoth

## **Christoph Goern**

Leads the Thoth Technical Team

## **Frido Pokorny**

Contributed most to the Adviser, knowledge Graph, prescriptions

## **Francesco Murdaca**

Contributed most to the knowledge Graph, jupyterlab-requirements

## **Kevin Postlethwait**

Contributed most to the Security Indicators, Kebechet



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# Thank you

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