# Web Application Security: From Development to Production

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# Software Powers Organizations…

### NEW REVENUE STREAMS

90% of automotive companies say they generate new revenue streams by deploying software-defined products and services

### FASTER R&D CYCLE

77% of banking and insurance and 75% of high-tech organizations saw a reduction in R&D and time required to market their existing products and services

### COST REDUCTION

59% of industrial and capital goods organizations, 59% of retail, and 55% of banks and insurers have reduced costs as a result of software-driven transfor-mation efforts

### CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

61% of automotive and 59% of consumer products organizations claim that software has enabled them to offer personalized, enhanced customer experiences

### COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

67% of industrial and capital goods, 66% of life sciences, and 64% of high-tech manufacturing organizations cite competitive advantage as a benefit of software-driven transformation

https://www.capgemini.com/insights/research-library/softwarization-research/

# What can go wrong in Software world??

Reputation Risks, PSIRT issues, PII breaches etc….

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**HashiCorp reveals exposure of private code-signing key after Codecov compromise**

Among the first of many? Software tools biz reports in

Tim Anderson

HashiCorp, an open-source company whose Terraform product is widely automated cloud deployments, has revealed a private code-signing key thanks to the compromised Codecov script discovered earlier this month

Codecov, which provides tools to assess how much of an application's c unit tests, reported that a script used to upload data to its servers was n credentials to an attacker's server. The company said it had "not been a conclusively who carried out the event."

HashiCorp

twilio

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**Twilio's private GitHub repositories cloned by Codecov attacker, cloud comms platform confirms**

Used the GitHub Codecov Action? Credentials may have been pilfered

Tim Anderson Wed 5 May 2021 12:27 UTC

Cloud comms platform Twilio has confirmed its private GitHub repositories were cloned after it became the latest casualty of the compromised credential-stealing Codecov script.

Codecov, a cloud-based tool for assessing how much code is covered by software tests, revealed last month that a script called Bash Uploader had been altered by a criminal to export secrets stored in environmental variables to a third-party server. This script is widely used for Codecov integration, including within GitHub Actions, popular for Continuous Integration (CI) pipelines.

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**Codecov breach impacted 'hundreds' of customer networks: report**

**Updated: Reports suggest the initial hack may have led to a more extensive supply chain attack.**

Written by **Charlie Osborne**, Contributing Writer

April 21, 2021 at 2:45 a.m. PT

Codecov BY SENTRY


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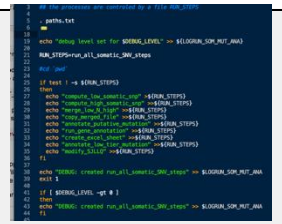

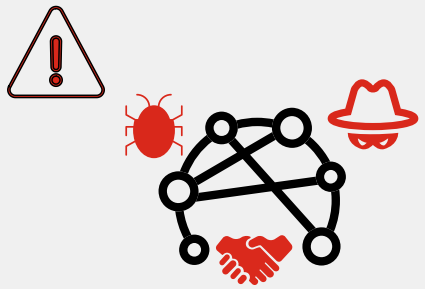

Software Supply Chain Vulnerabilities & Attacks

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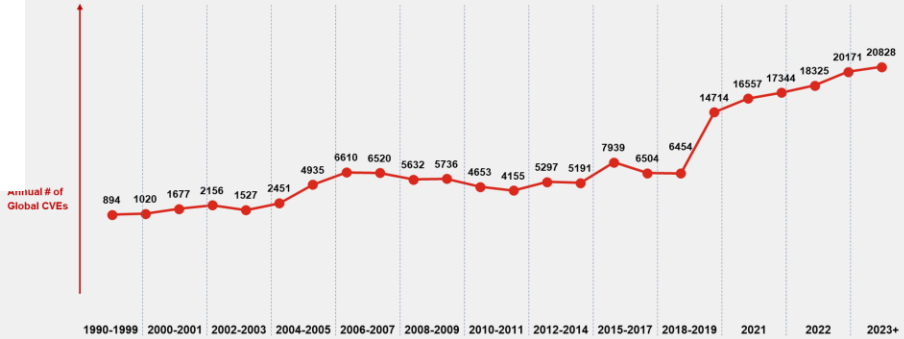
**Five Eyes Nations Issue Joint Guidance on Log4j Vulnerabilities**

Government agencies in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand on Wednesday announced the release of a joint cybersecurity advisory to provide guidance on addressing the recently disclosed vulnerabilities affecting the widely used Log4j logging utility.




Software Vulnerabilities

https://www.csoonline.com/article/570743/6-most-common-types-of-software-supply-chain-attacks-explained.html

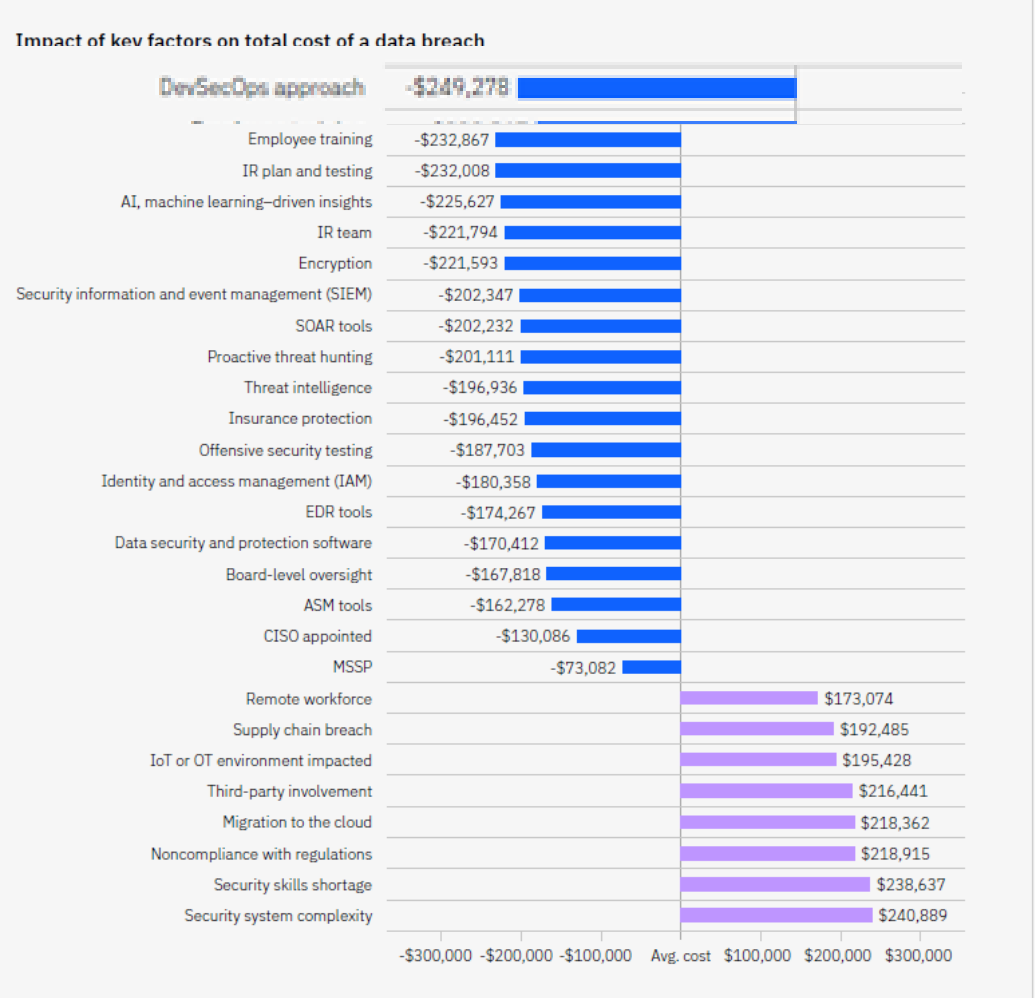
# Best way to reduce the cost of a breach?

Where to invest for maximum impact

***DevSecOps***

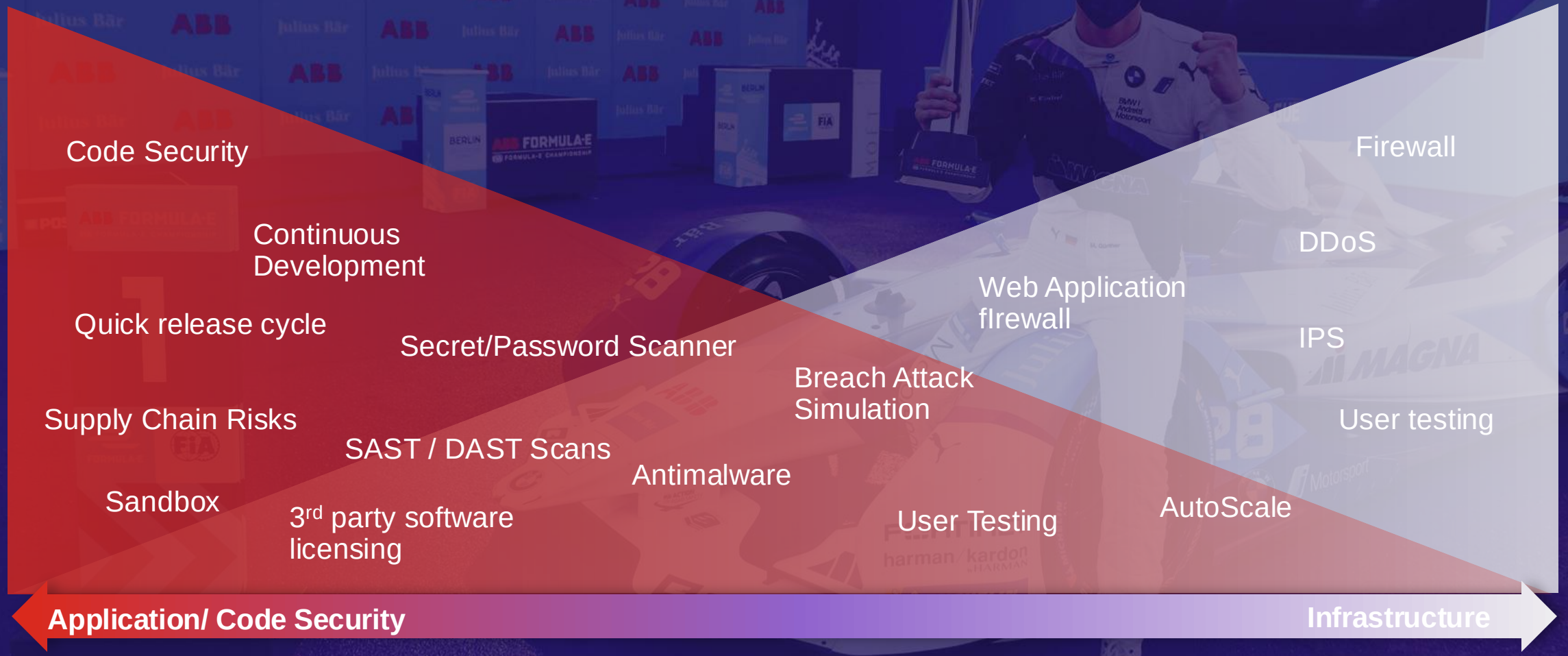
**TOP**

**Breach Cost Mitigator !**




IBM Cost of a Data Breach Report 2023

# Redefining Application Security




”Shift LEFT” mentality

# Driving modern software development practices

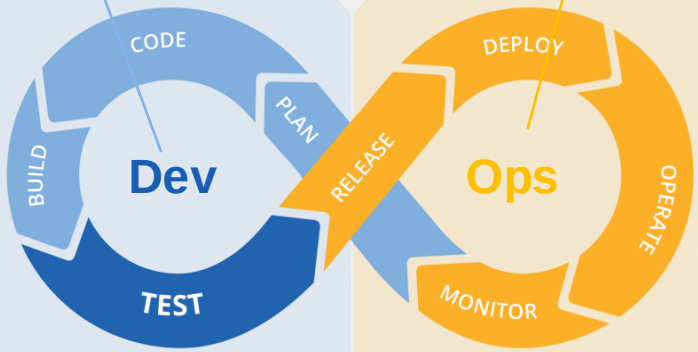
Agile DevOps practice with shorter release cycles, continuous, fast, automated process

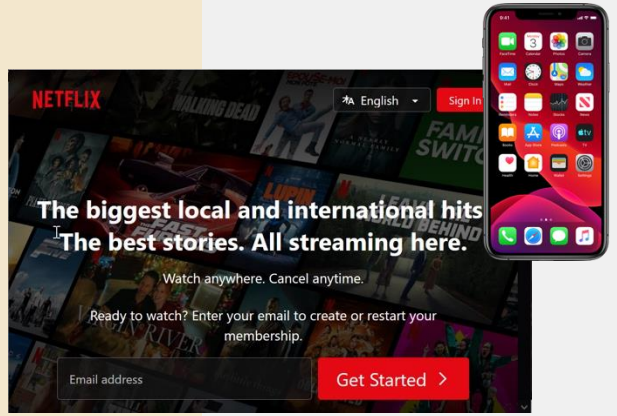
**Development**

= Write
= Build

**Operations**

= Deploy, Run
= Production




CI

CD

***Speed >>***

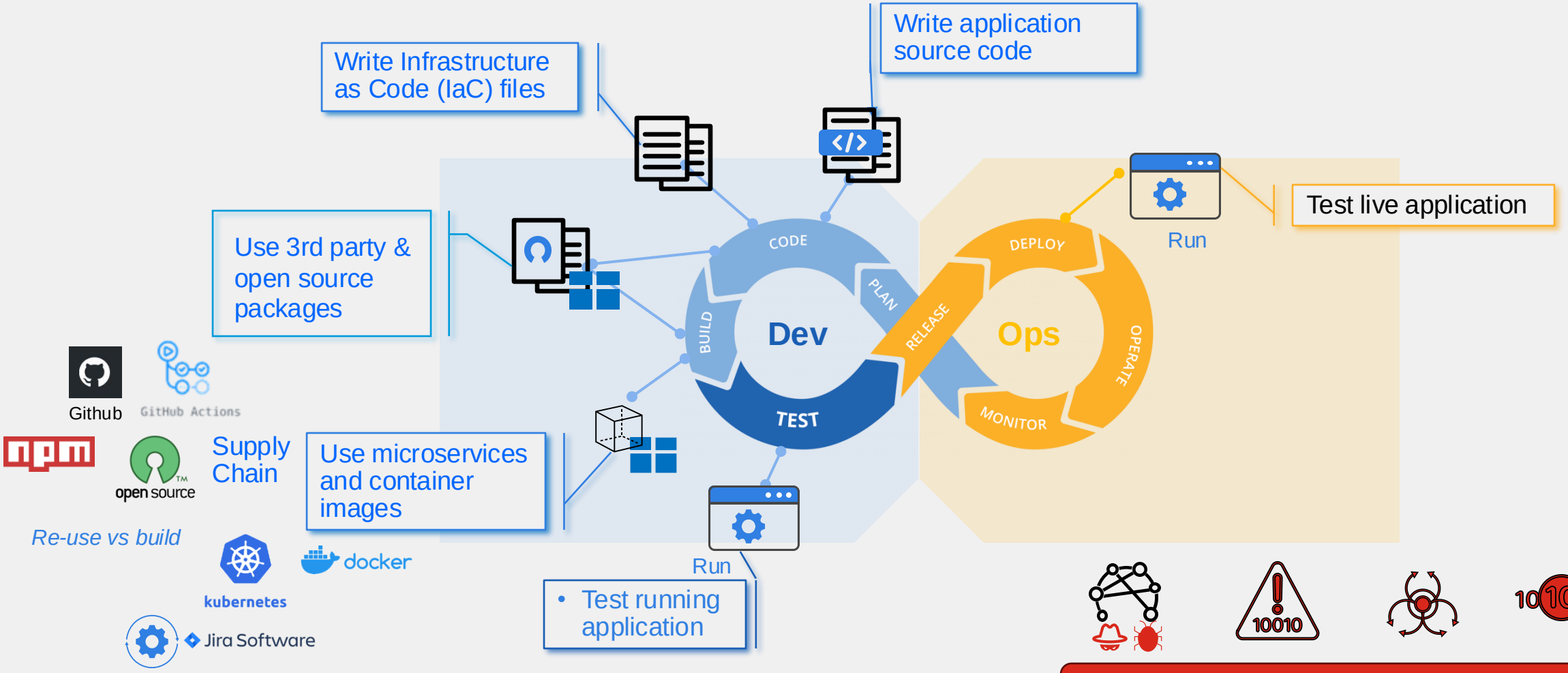
<< Continuous Integration << **CI / CD** >> Continuous Deployment >>

70% of DevOps teams release code continuously, once a day, or every few days

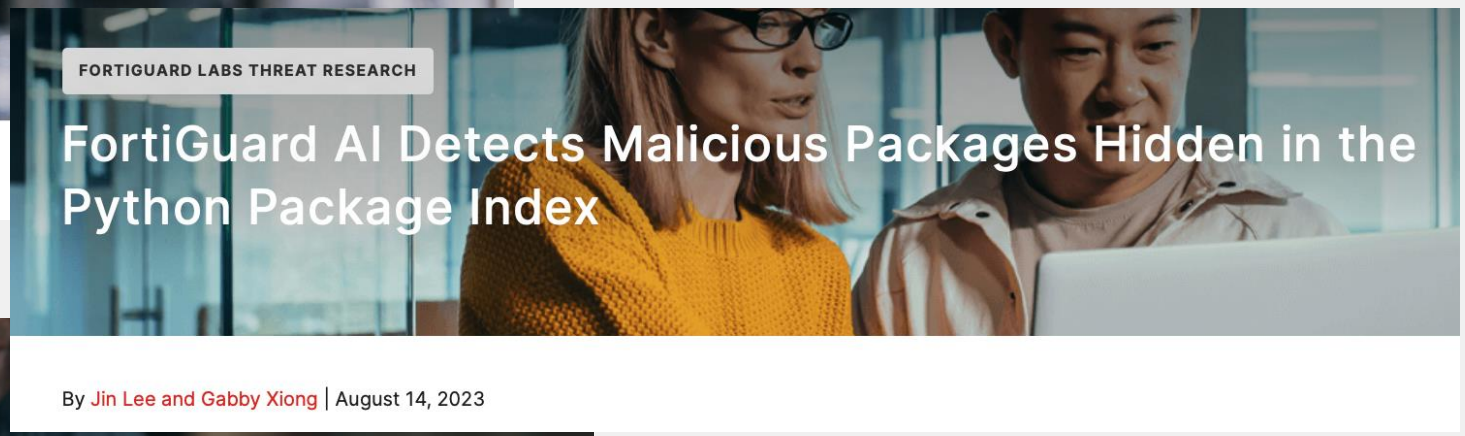
The Gitlab 2022 Global DevSecOps Survey

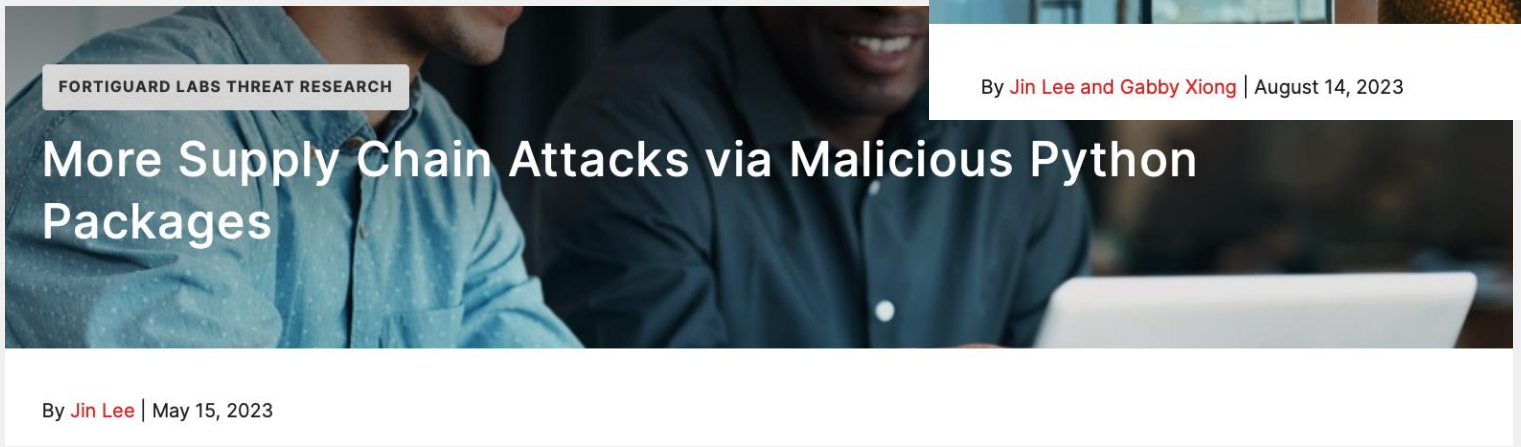
# How are software applications built?

Modern software development lifecycle (SDLC)



# FortiGuard Research in Supply Chain Risk


https://www.fortinet.com/blog/threat-research/malicious-pypi-packages-deploy-coinminer-on-linux-devices

# Who is concerned about Application/Code Security?

Lack of Application Security Expertise

## DevOps engineers

- Build/Compile software
- Control deployment /pipeline management
- UAT/production release
- Automates security in CI/CD

## CISO

- Application Security / Publicity / Brand awareness

## Application Owners

- Agile & Secure Development
- Less PSIRT issues

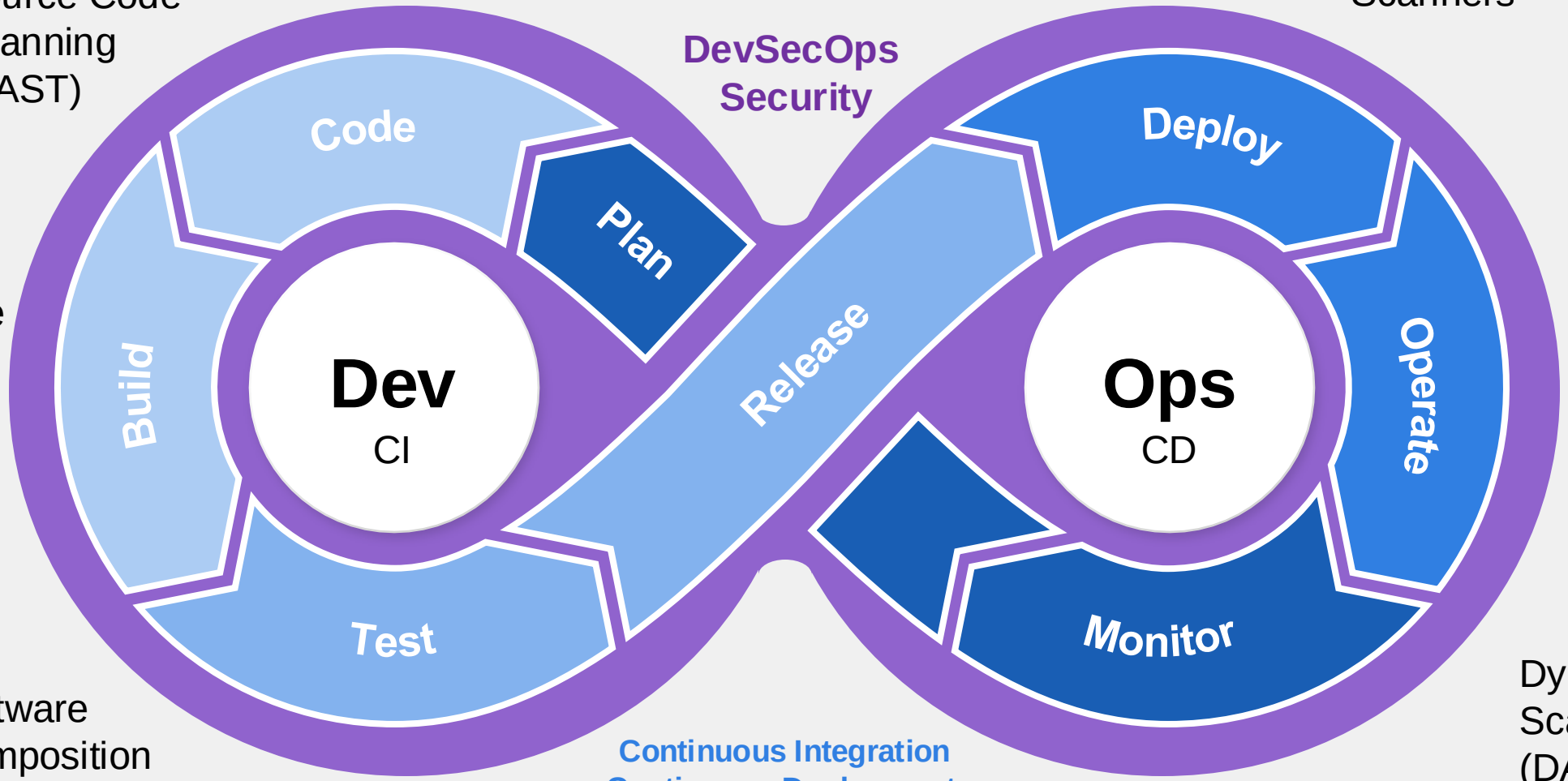
## Developers

- Balance of bug fixes and new features
- Different level of expertise re secure coding practices

# Shift-left from Web App Security to Code Security

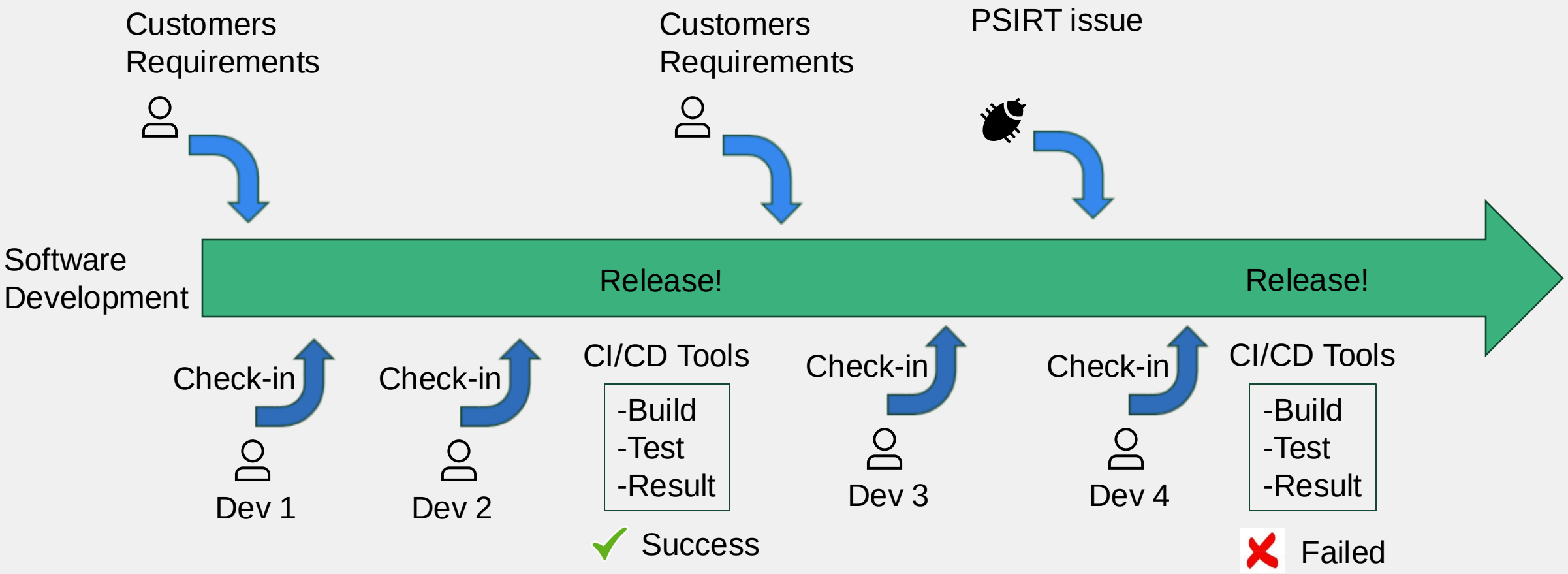
# DevSecOps Security

Continuous Integration and Continuous Deployment (CI/CD)



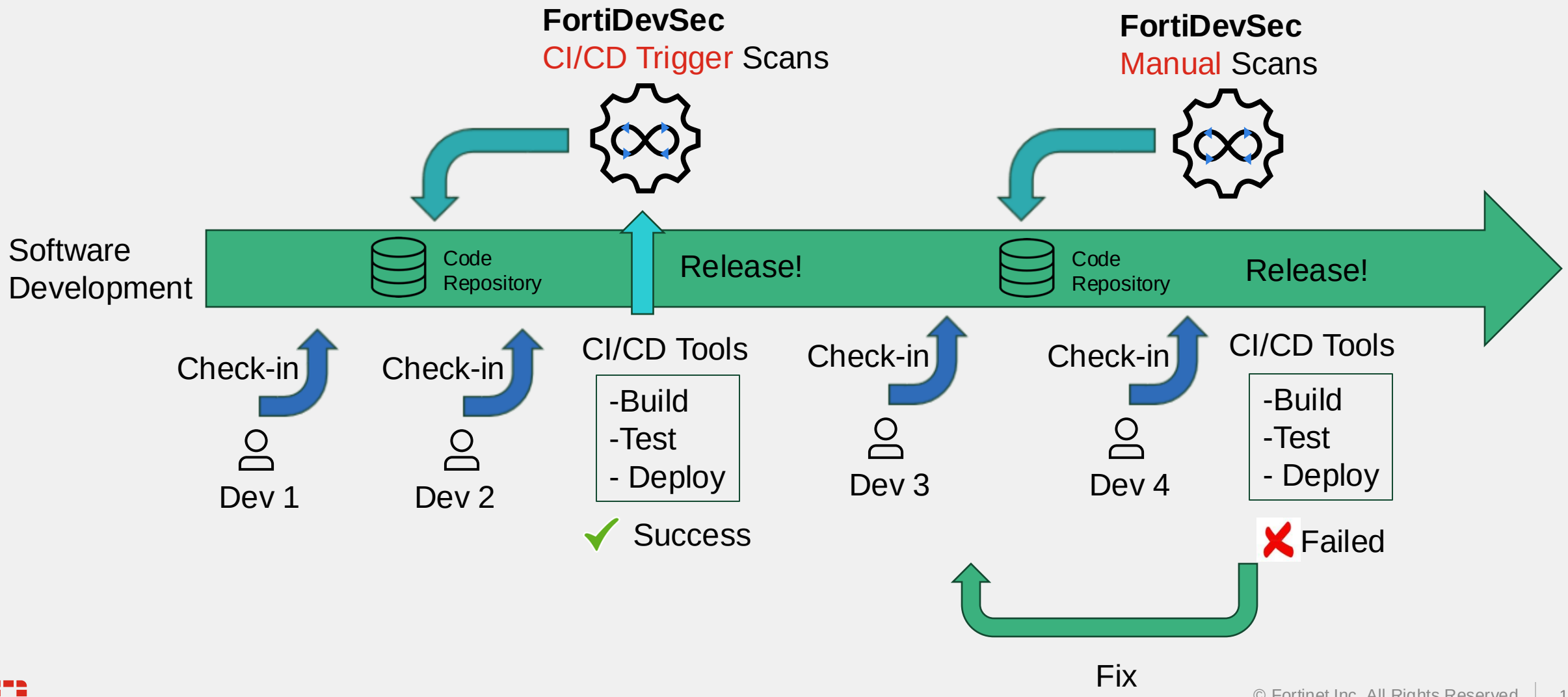
# Software Deployment Life Cycle

SDLC – Simple High Level View of Software Cycle



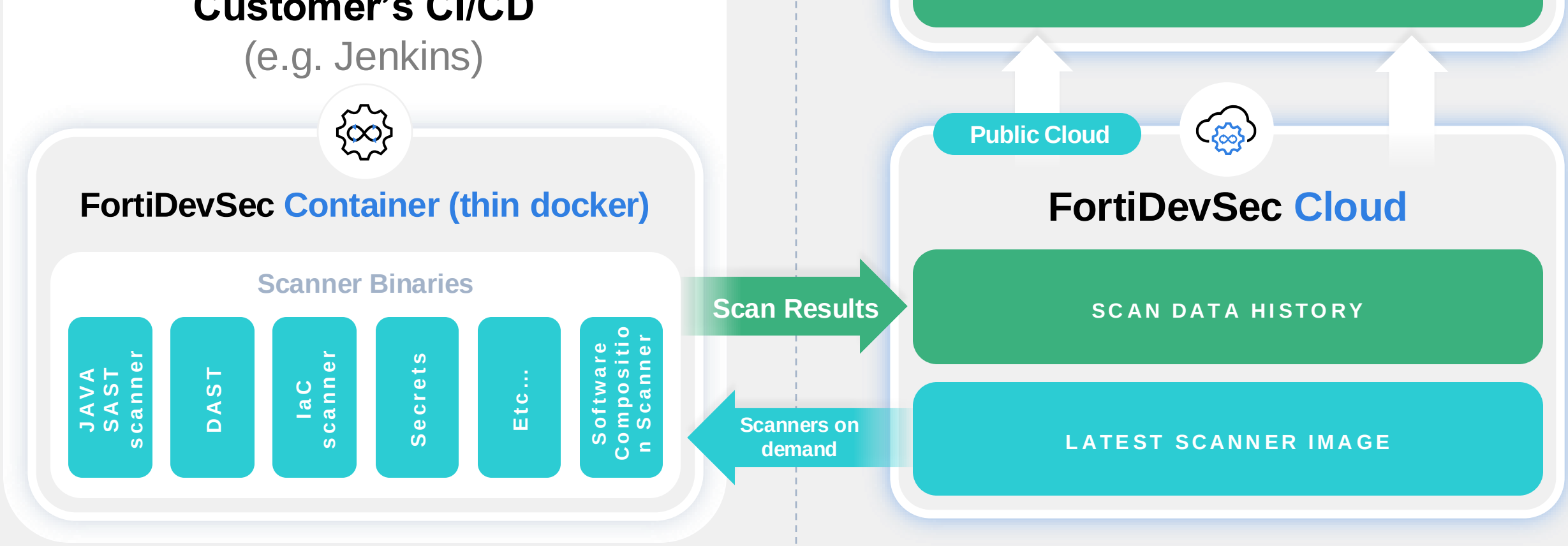
# SECURE - SDLC

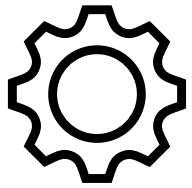
## Building Security Into Software Development Cycle



# FortiDevSec Cloud Architecture

Cloud SaaS





# FortiDevSec
# Types of Scans Available

# FortiDevSec - Types of Scans Available

See issues aggregated across multiple types of scanning

## SAST

**Static / source code scanning (SAST) –**
issues in application source code

Supports *Shell, Java, Ruby on Rails, Python, Golang, PHP, JavaScript/NodeJS, C, C++* and *C# .Net.*

## SCA/OSS

**SCA/OSS scanning –**
issues in third party and open source libraries e.g. log4j

Identify Outbreak and Supply Chain Attacks

## Secrets

**Secrets –**
scans for open password text

## DAST

**Dynamic scanning (DAST) –**
simulates exploits using application's front end url, using FortiDAST product add-on

## Containers

**Scanning Containers**
that are built in the pipeline

## Infrastructure as Code

**Infrastructure as Script security scanning –**
scanning IaC scripts like terraform, etc.

Supports Terraform, Cloud Formation, Docker and Kubernetes

# FortiDevSec Secrets Scanner

## *Purpose*

To identify hardcoded passwords, PII information in part of source code, code build history. (committed lines of code)

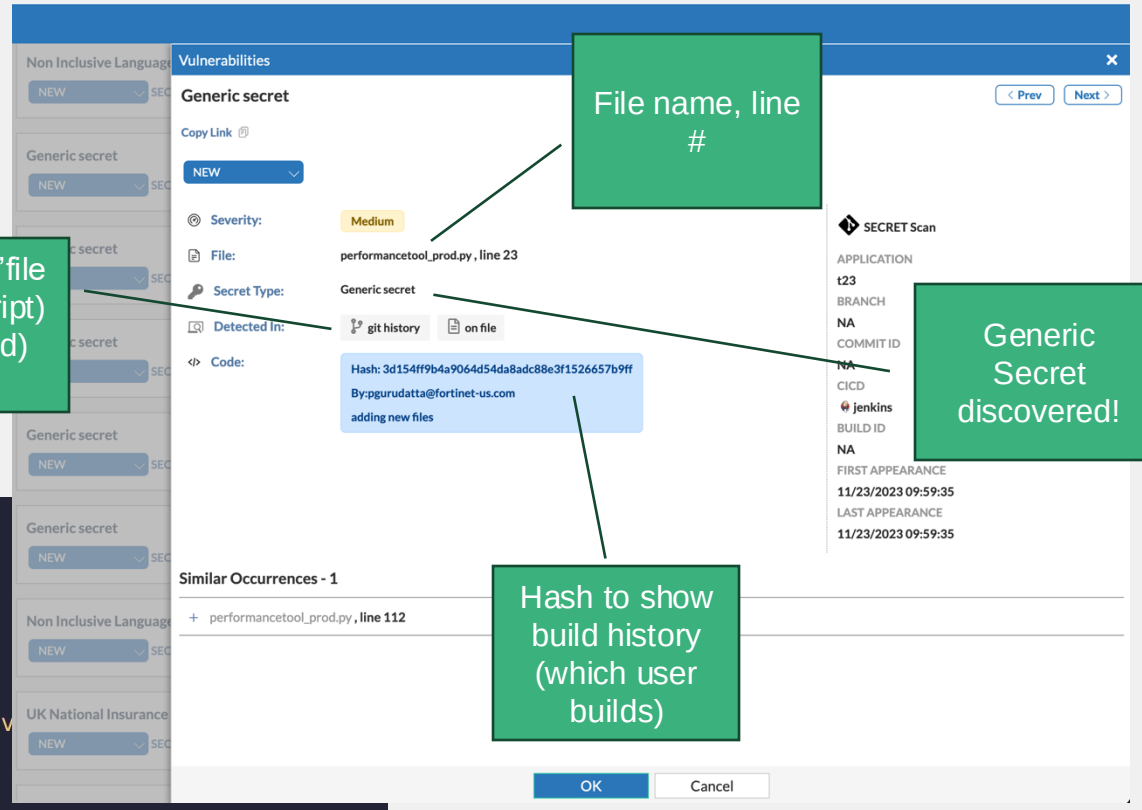
## *Sample Result*

Cleartext secrets discovered in code

*File performancetool_prod.py* line 23

```
17 r4=None
18 headers_details=None
19 org_id=None
20 org_api_id=None
21
22 payload = {'username':'fortidevsecqa0007@qatest.com','password':'Fortinet01!'}
23 r4 = requests.post('https://fortidevsec.forticloud.com/api/v1/login/access-token',
24 #print (r4.json())
25 #print("status_code-",r4.status_code)
26
27 if(r4.status_code == requests.codes.ok):
28     print("status code True, for API call /api/v1/login/access-token\n")
29 else:
30     print("status code is False, for API call /api/v1/login/access-token\n")
```

*Figure – FortiDevSec Secrets Scan result*



# FortiDevSec SCA Scanner

## Software Composition Analysis

### *Purpose*

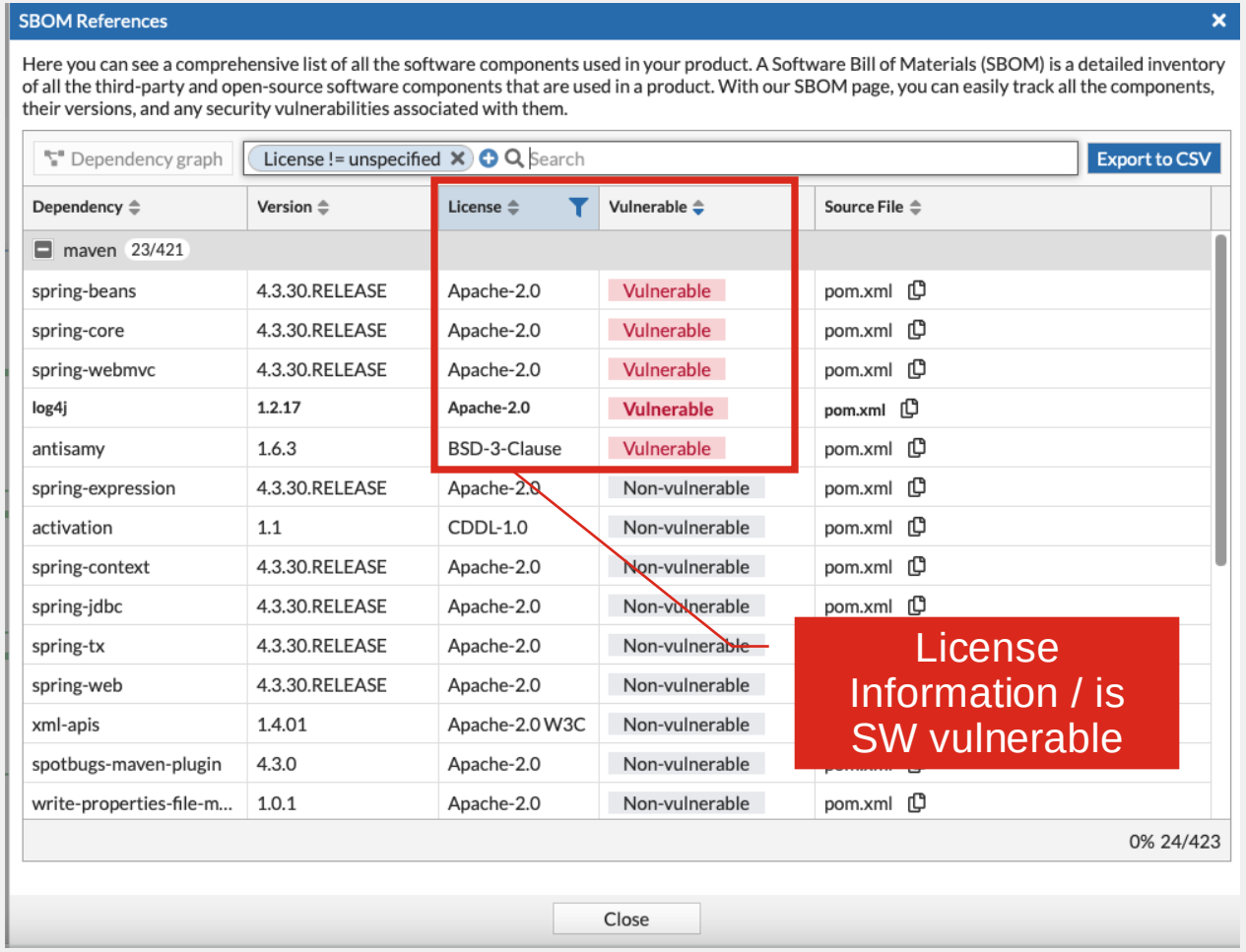
Scans for vulnerabilities in the **open-source libraries/components** used by the application. The programming languages supported by the SCA scanner are *Java, Javascript, Ruby, Python, Golang, C# .Net and PHP*.

### *Sample Result*

Identifies all 3rd party libraries, one of vulnerable Apache version

Could be Intellectual Property violation that can lead into legal lawsuits!

*FortiDevSec shows SBOM (software bills of material used)*



# FortiDevSec SAST Scan for Java Example

Static Application Security Testing

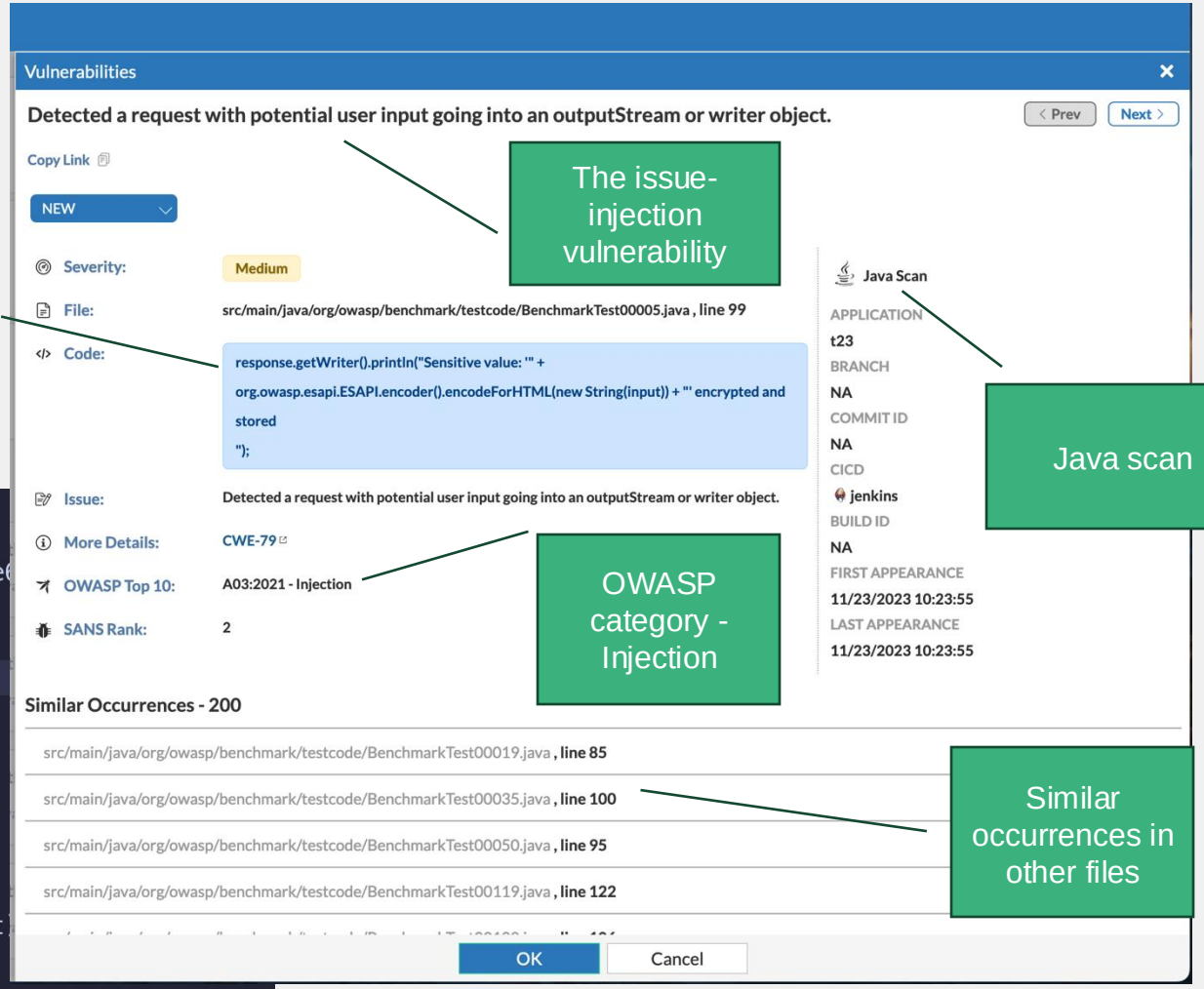
## *Purpose*

To identify vulnerabilities in code, also known as “white-box” testing, usually done before code is compiled. Support multiple languages.

*File BenchmarkTestxxx.java* line 99

```
fw.write(
        "secret_value="
                + org.owasp.esapi.ESAPI.encoder().encodeForBase(
                + "\n");
fw.close();
response.getWriter()
        .println(
                "Sensitive value: '"
                        + org.owasp
                                .esapi
                                .ESAPI
                                .encoder()
                                .encodeForHTML(new String(input)
                        + "' encrypted and stored<br/>");
```

*Figure – FortiDevSec SAST Scan result*




Other Languages Supported: *Shell, Java, Ruby on Rails, Python, Golang, PHP, JavaScript/NodeJS, C, C++* and *C# .Net*.

# FortiDevSec Container Scanner

## *Purpose*

Scans containers detected from source and scans image(s) for vulnerability findings

## *Sample Result*

Identified container code that is vulnerable to DoS and crafted code execution

*FortiDevSec shows vulnerable container images including risk rating*

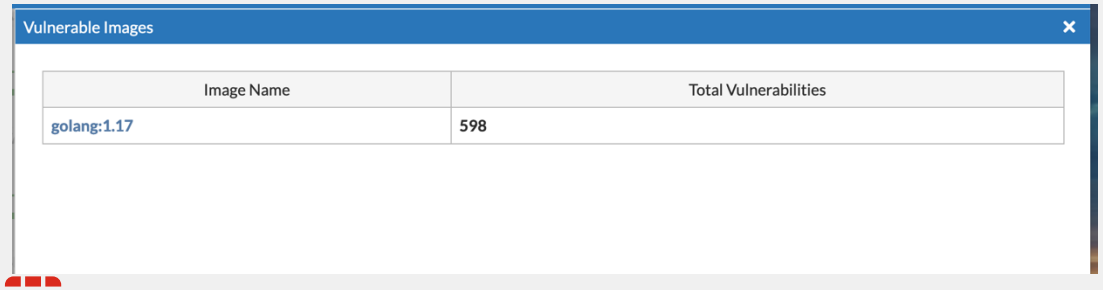
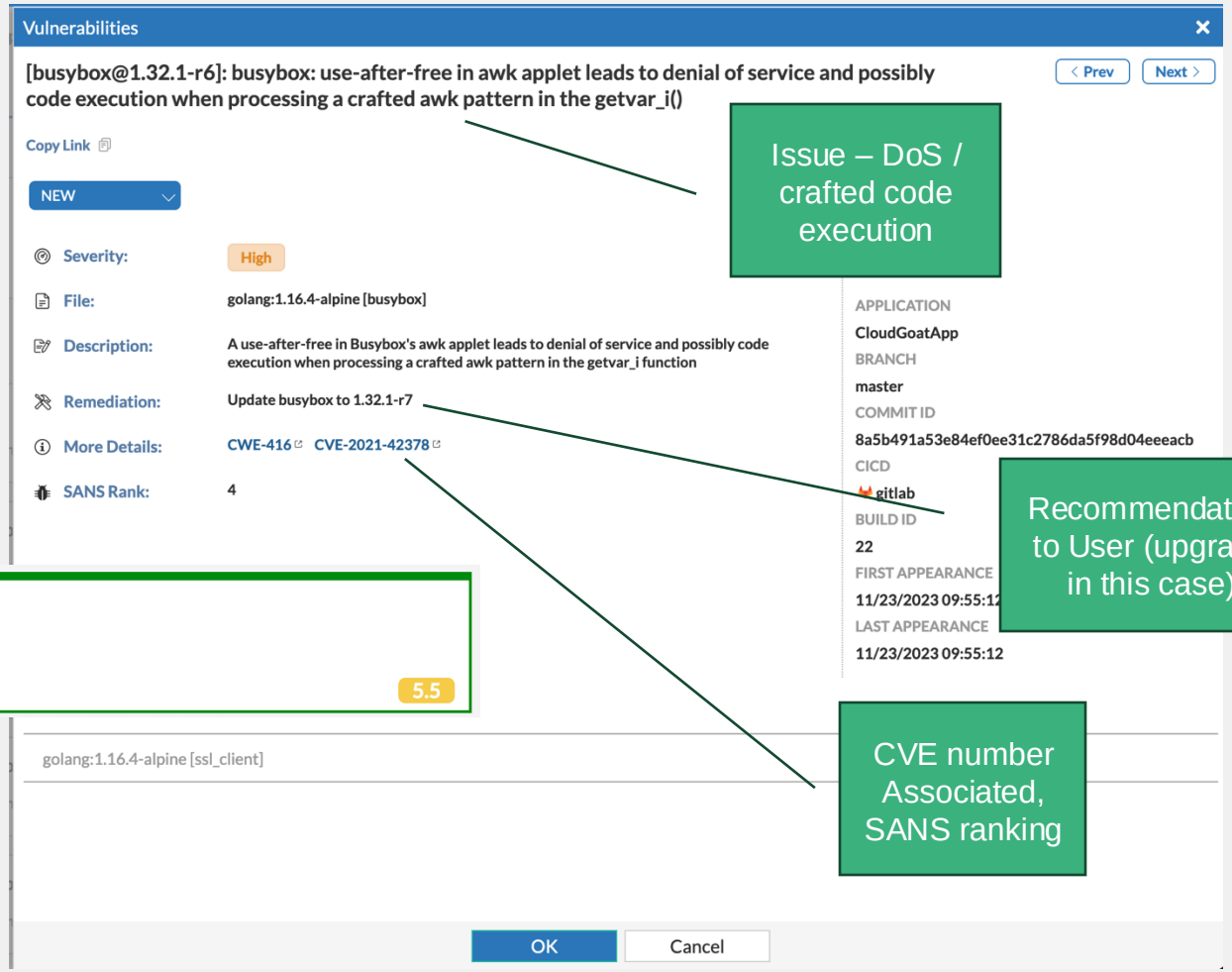




*Figure – FortiDevSec Container Scan result*



# FortiDevSec IaC Scanner – Terraform example

Infrastructure as Code

## *Purpose*

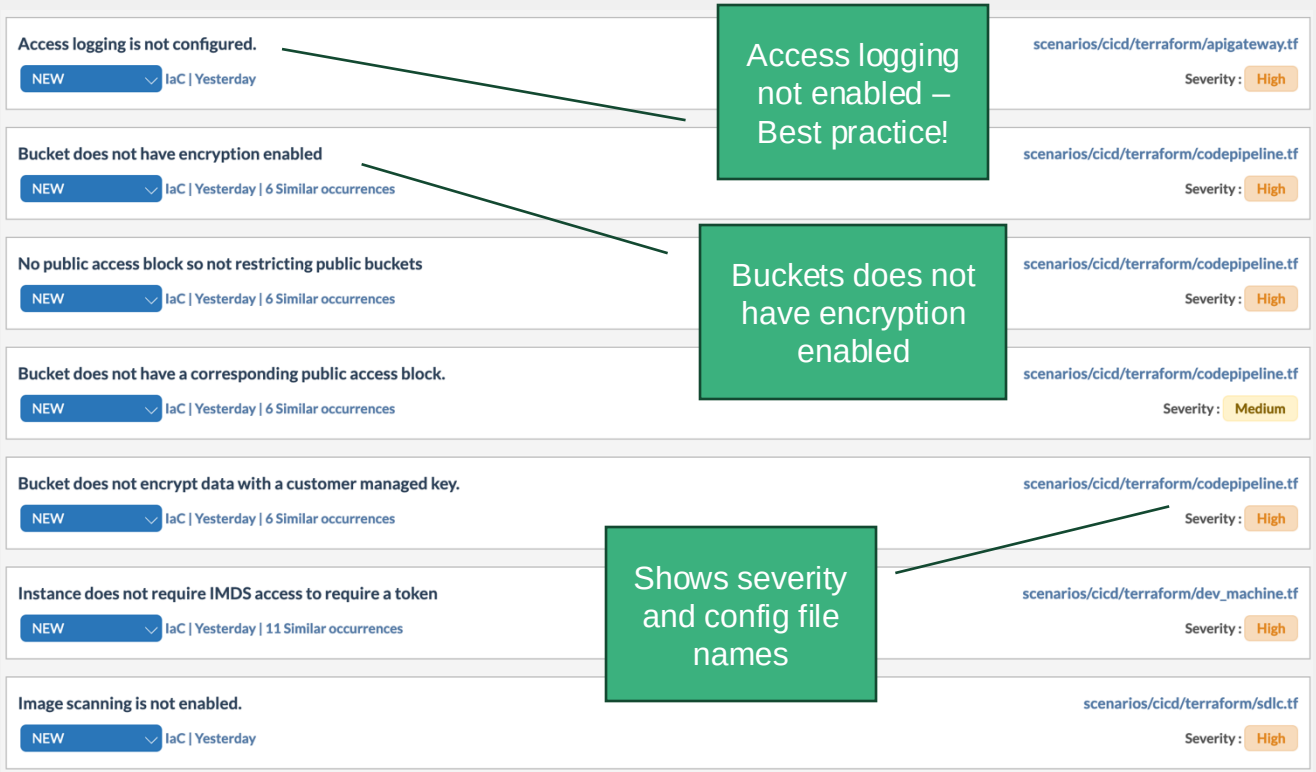
Scans your IaC configuration files from *Terraform, Cloud Formation, Docker* and *Kubernetes* to detect configuration issues.

## *Sample Result*

Identified multiple configuration issues with Terraform configuration file

Other IaC support: Terraform, Cloud Formation, Docker and Kubernetes

*Figure – FortiDevSec IaC (terraform) Scan result*



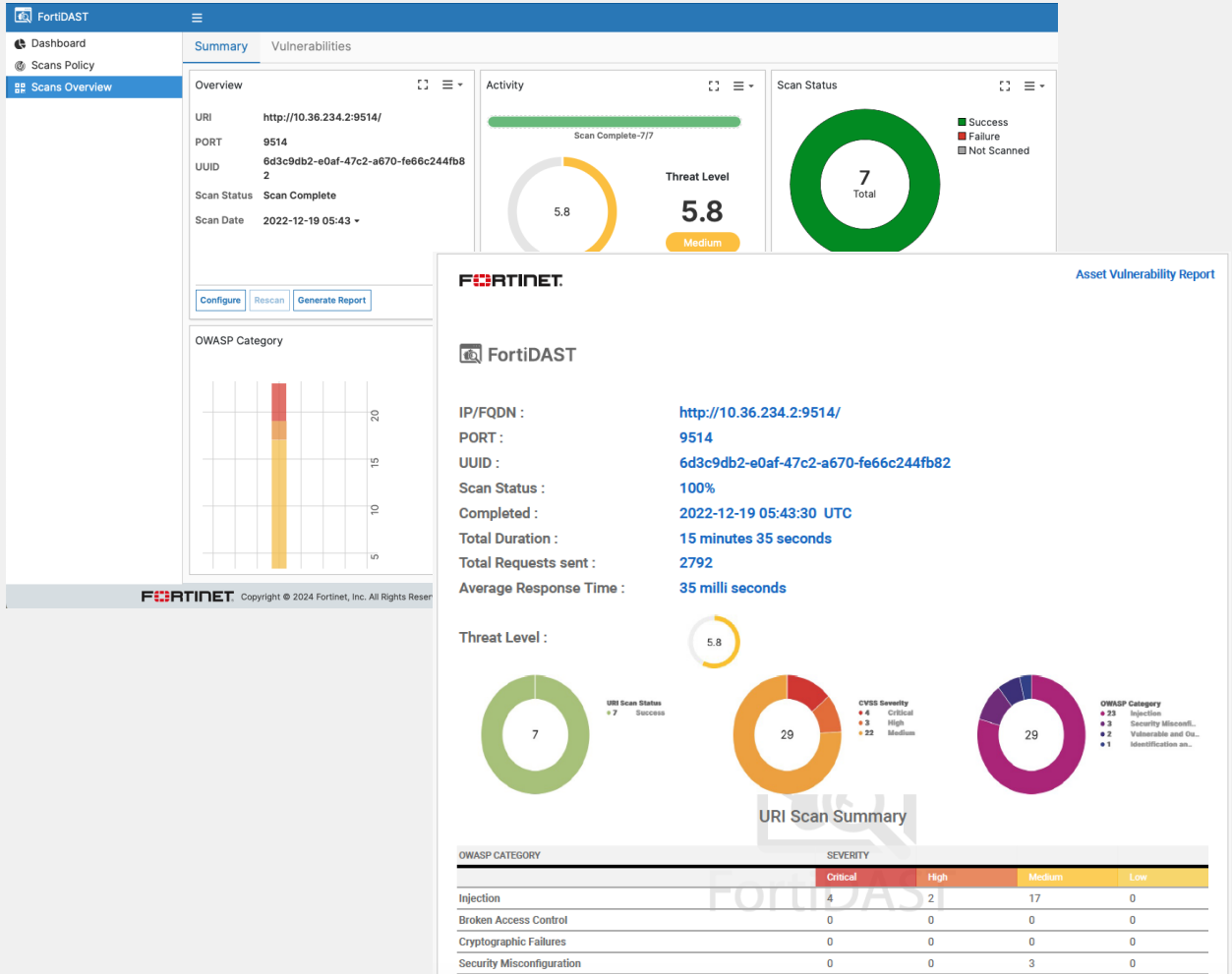
# FortiDevSec DAST Scan Coverage

Comprehensive coverage using FortiDAST (5 app licenses included, stackable)

## Broad Scan Coverage

- Injection (code, LDAP, XSS, SQL etc)
- Broken Access Control (Path Traversal)
- Cryptographic Failures (SSL, weak ciphers etc)
- Security Misconfiguration
- Software & Data Integrity Failures
- Identification and Authentication Bypass
- Vulnerable/Outdated Components

## Comprehensive Results (GUI & Report)



# FortiDevSec DAST Scanner - Example

Dynamic Application Security Test - uses FortiDAST (license included)

## *Purpose*

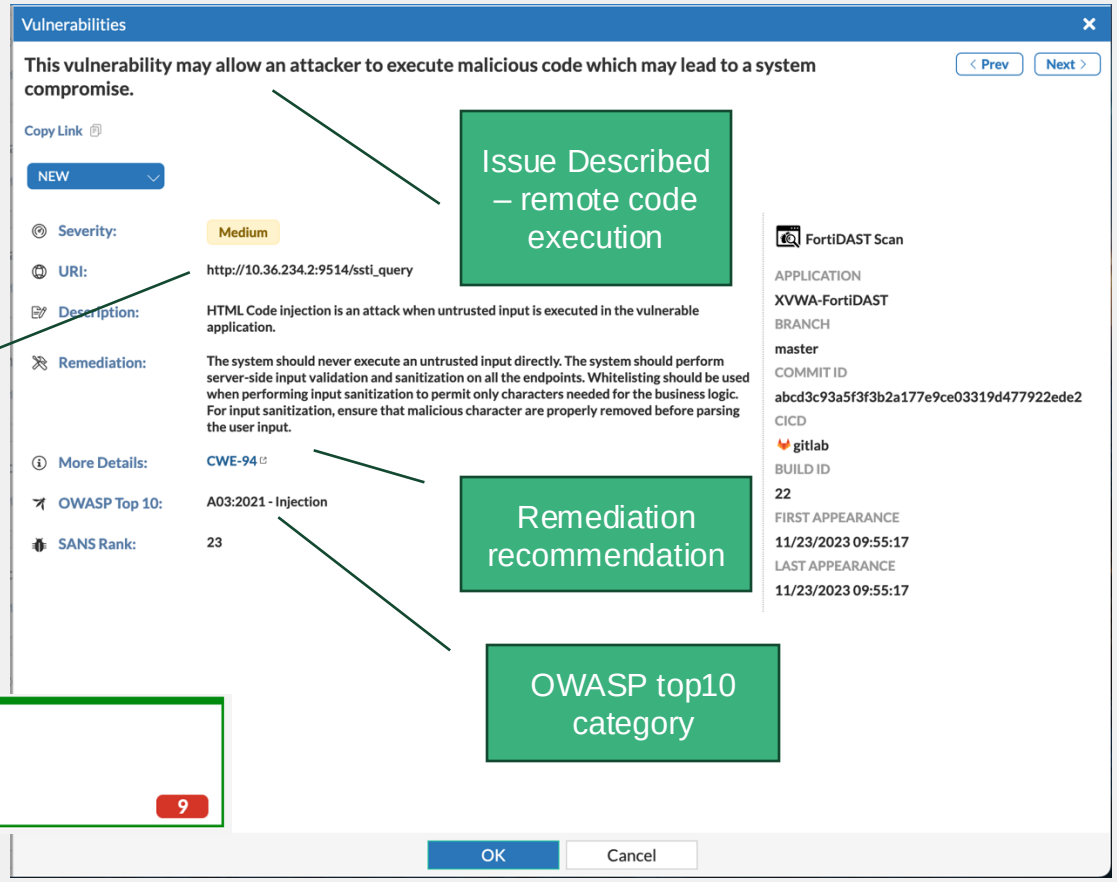
Scans a deployed application hosted local/cloud at *runtime* to detect vulnerabilities. Usually done on staging but can be performed in production. Quick and Full scan Available.

## *Sample Result*

Identified real time vulnerabilities for hosted application on IP http://10.36.234.2/URI

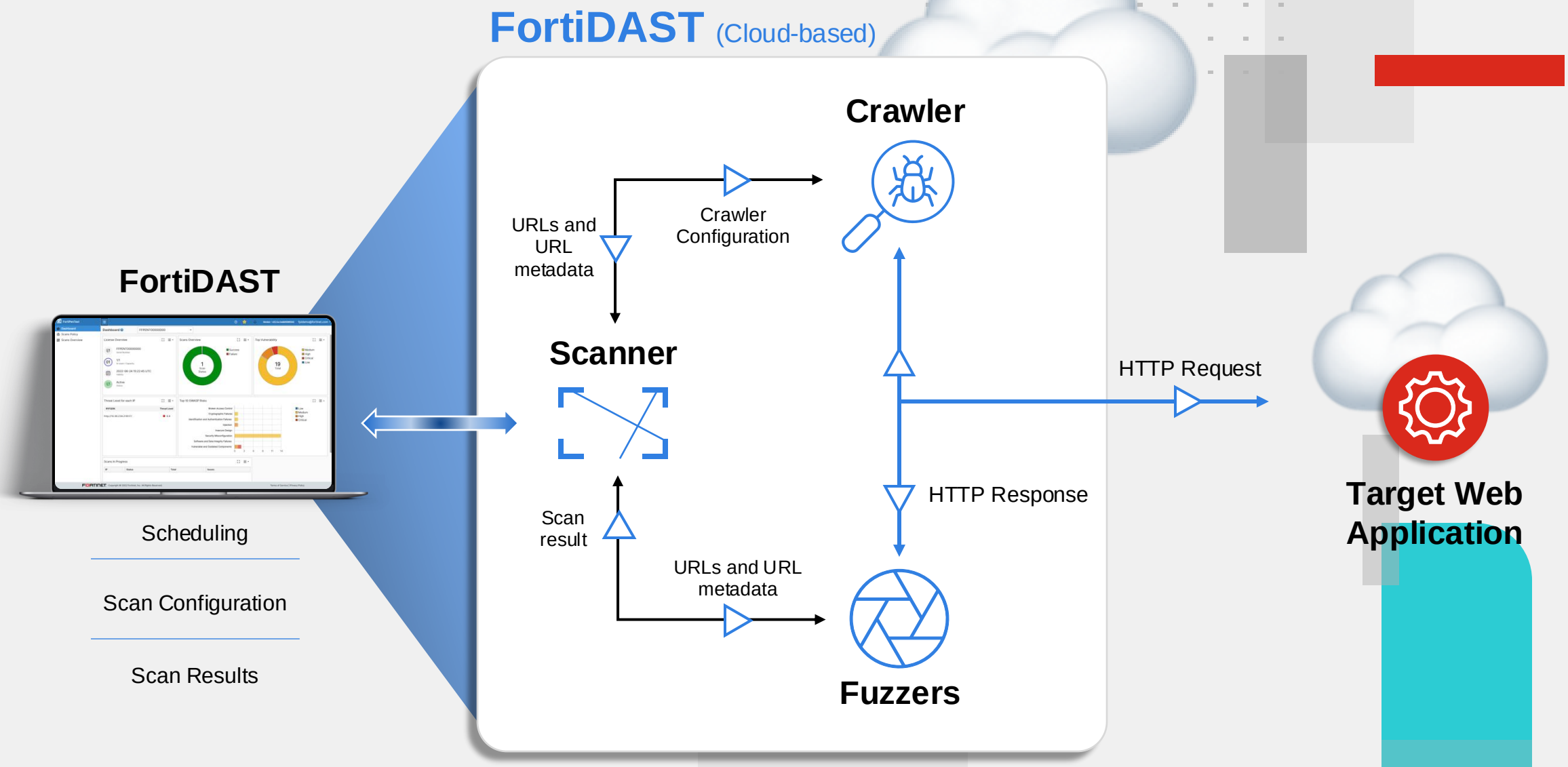
URI of application

*Figure – FortiDevSec DAST Scan result*




*FortiDevSec shows DAST vulnerabilities with OWASP and SANs categories*

# How It Works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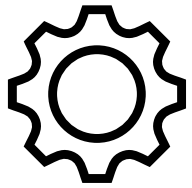


# FortiDevSec Integrations

# CI/CD Tools Supported by FortiDevSec

Continuous Integration/Continuous Delivery (CI/CD)

Jenkins

GitLab

GitHub

Azure DevOps

AWS CodePipeline

circleci

Google Cloud Build

Bamboo

DRONE

Travis CI

Steps:

1. Developer Copy code segment into CI/CD configurations
2. CI/CD tools download DevSec docker container
3. Container scans for languages used and download scanners required
4. Only result (and small code snippets) is uploaded to DevSec Cloud

***important** No source code files or libraries will leave customer site!*

*Figure – Jenkins Example*

Jenkins

Following is a sample code segment that can be configured in **Jenkins > (Your App) > Configure > Add build step > Execute Shell**.

**Note:** Make sure to update the parameters in the sample code according to your environment before using it.

```
export EMAIL=account_email LICENSE_SERIAL=your_serial_number ASSET_TOKEN=your_asset_token SCANURL=target_asset_url
SCANTYPE=1 ASSET=asset_UUID
env | grep -E "EMAIL|LICENSE_SERIAL|ASSET_TOKEN|SCANURL|SCANTYPE|ASSET" > /tmp/env
docker pull registry.fortidast.forticloud.com/dastdevopsproxy:latest
docker run --rm --env-file /tmp/env --network=host registry.fortidast.forticloud.com/dastdevopsproxy:latest
```

# FortiDevSec Jira Integration

Auto synchronize findings to your own Bug Tracker

## *Purpose*

Allows your teams to re-use their existing workflow to mitigate security issues found by FortiDevSec

## *Support*

Both on-prem as cloud-based version of Jira is supported

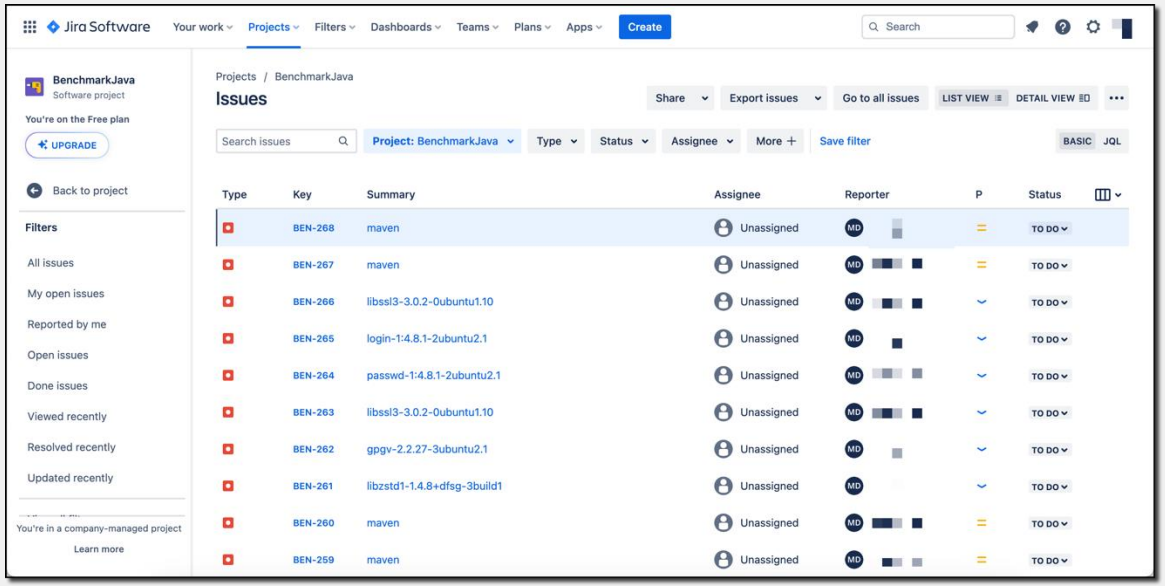



*Figure – auto create issues in Jira to follow up*

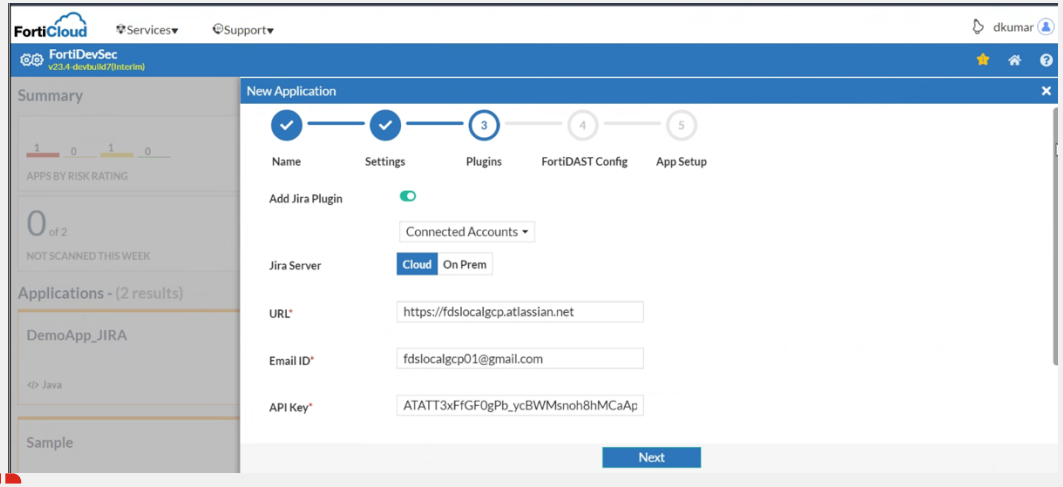
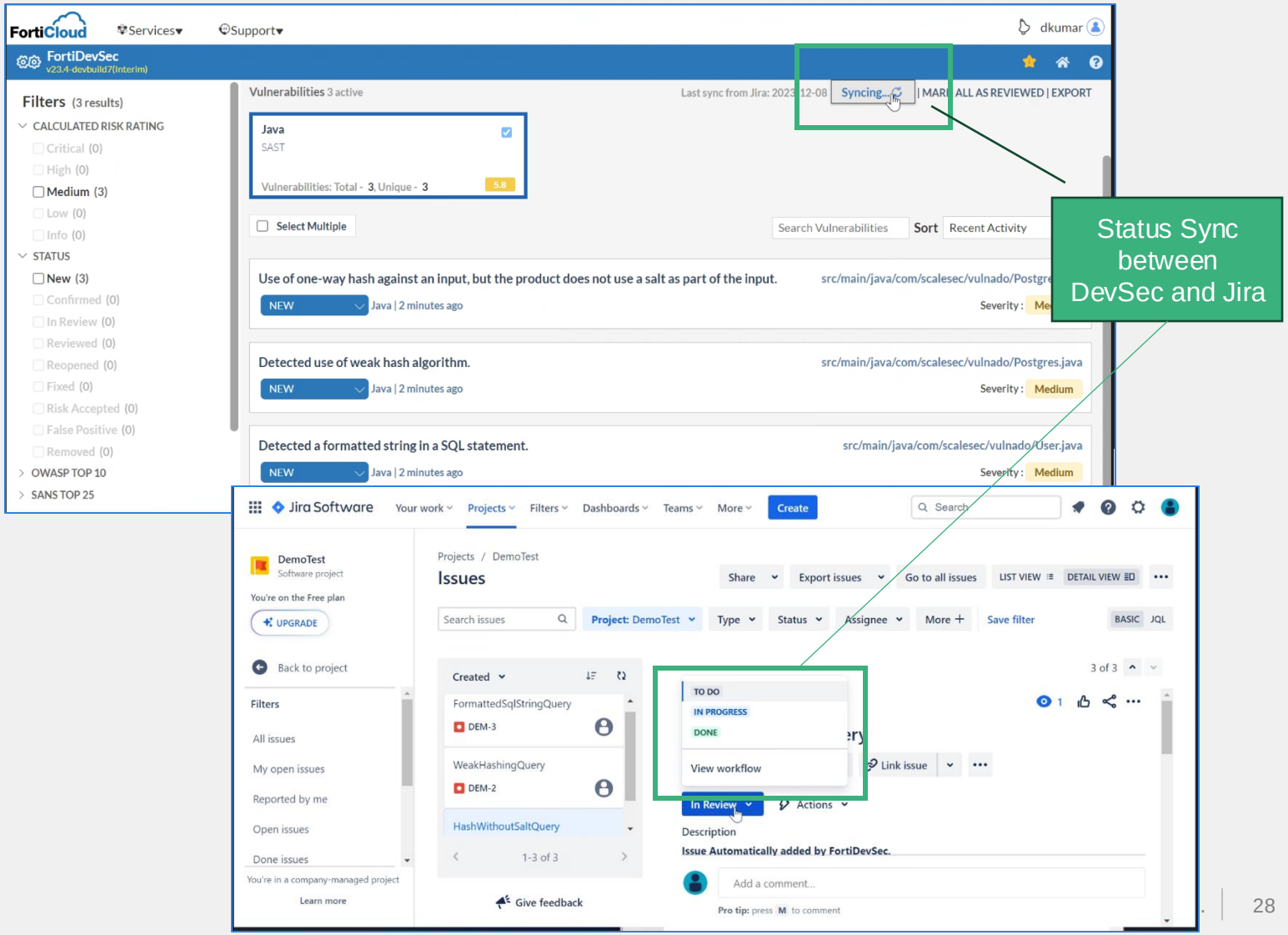



*Figure – Setup Wizard including Jira Onprem/Cloud configuration*

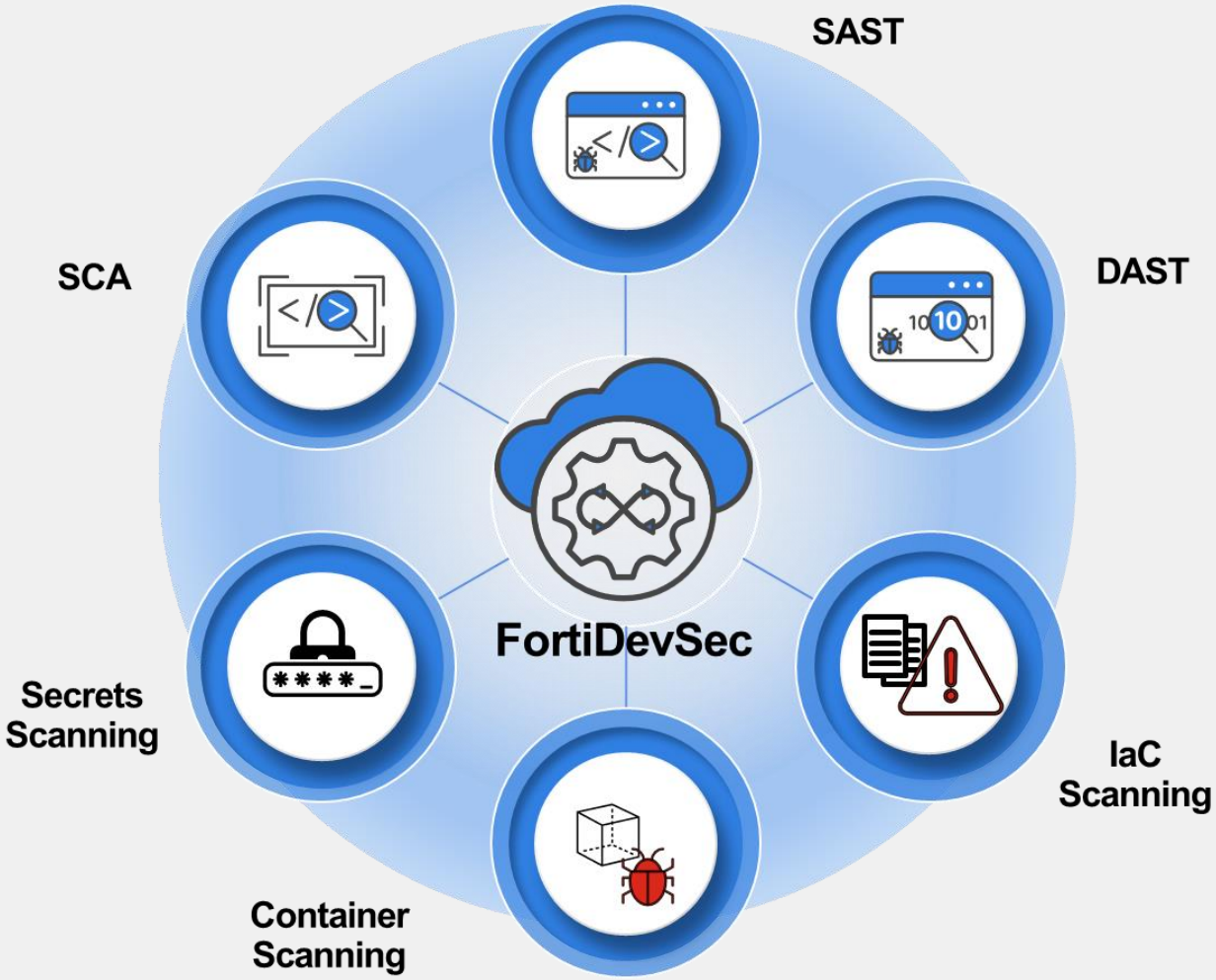
# Jira Integration – Two Way Synchronization

***Two Way -Synchronization***

- New issues found are added automatically
- Issues found fixed during scan will be removed automatically
- Issues fixed by dev team are synced back to FortiDevSec



# One Solution for Comprehensive Application Security Testing




Simple. Focused. Driven.

# FortiWeb

# Challenges of Web/API Security

Cyber threats take advantage of the disruption

## Sophisticated Threats

Endless stream of zero day attacks and application logic attacks that do not have signature protection

## Shadow and Unknown API

Organizations have limited knowledge of their public APIs even though API traffic dominates

## Alert Fatigue

Too many informational, contextless and false positive alerts

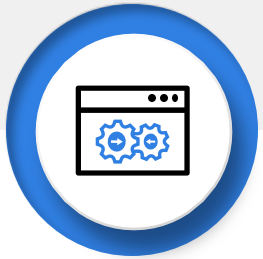
# Critical Use Cases

## Web Application Protection

### Web Application Security

Protect from OWASP top 10 and other known threats as well as unknown threats.

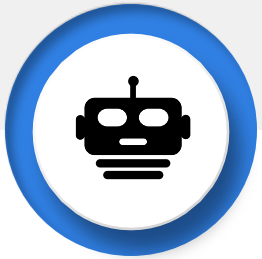
**OWASP Top 10 Protection With Low FP**



### Protect Internet Facing APIs

Protect the APIs that enable B2B communication and support your mobile applications.

**Discover and Protect APIs**



### Bot Defense

Block the full range of malicious bot activity (content scraping, denial of service, data harvesting, transaction fraud).

**Seamlessly Identify and Block Automated Attacks**

### End Alert Fatigue

Speed up alert investigation and enable SOC analysts to quickly focus on the threats that matter.

**Provide a SOC Analyst Workflow**

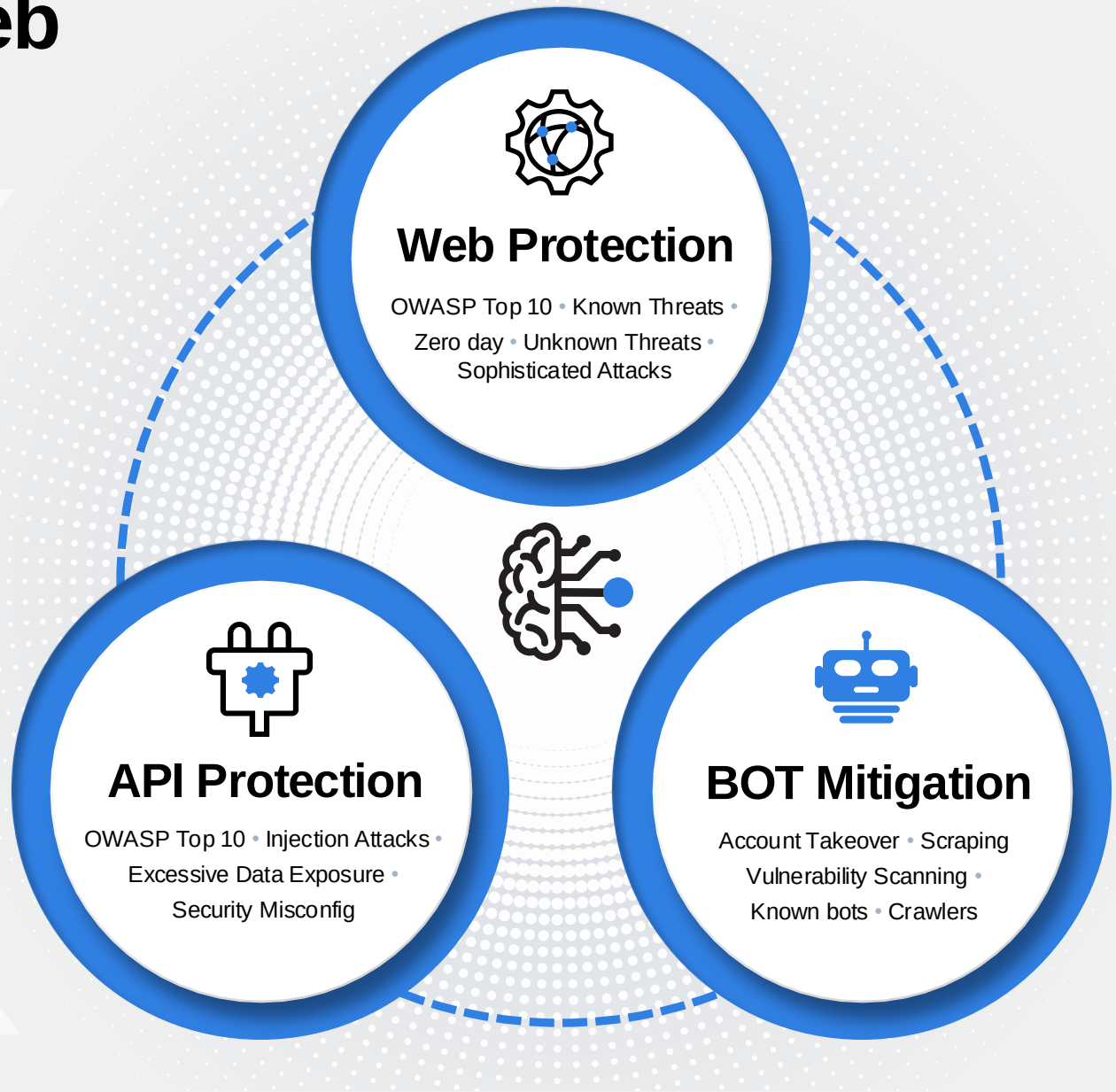
# Introducing FortiWeb

**Machine Learning Powered**
Web Application & API Security

**Maximum Deployment Flexibility**
SaaS-based, Appliance or VM

**Minimize False Positives**
Sophisticated techniques to reduce false positives

**Threat Analytics** addresses alert fatigue and speeds up alert security investigation



# FortiWeb

MACHINE LEARNING

## API Discovery and Protection

API Discovery using URL clustering with schema awareness, automatic schema generation, schema enforcement

## Threat Analytics

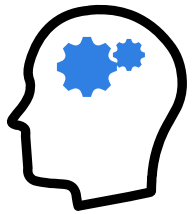
Analyze million of events using ML to identify common characteristics and patterns and group them into meaningful security incidents

## Web Protection

Zero day attack protection using two layer solution (HMM and SVM), Anomaly verification, continuous learning

## Bot Mitigation

Behavioral learning using ML SVM based on 13 different traffic dimensions, automated verification using training samples

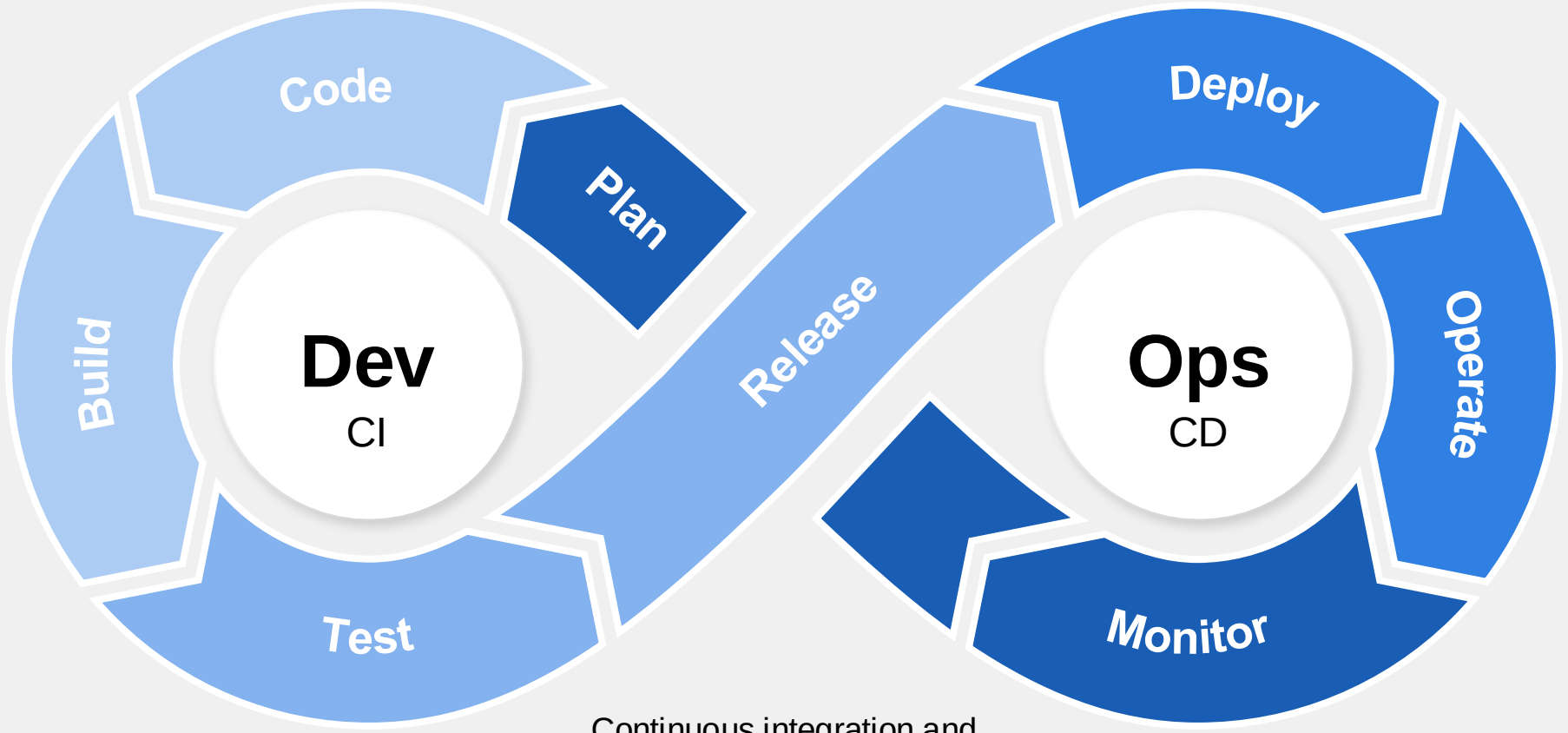


# Why Machine Learning?

# Machine Learning for Web Application Protection

Reduce friction when deploying web applications

## Why Machine Learning for Web Application Protection Matters for Customers




Continuous integration and
continuous deployment (CI/CD)

# Old Fashioned WAFs add friction


**Developer Pushes Code**

Legacy WAF Blocks Legitimate Requests

WAF Administrator tunes the WAF

**User enjoys the benefits of the new code**

Developer troubleshoots the problem

# Machine Learning for Web Application Protection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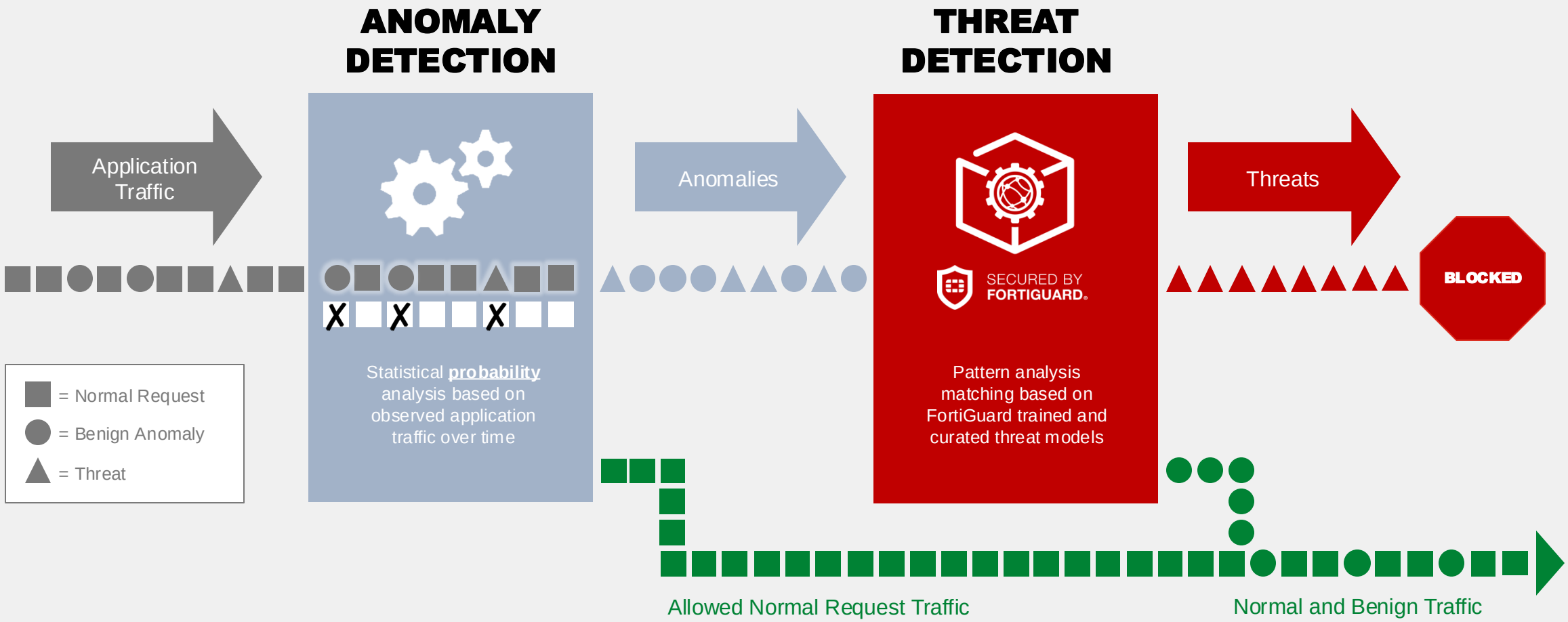
# FortiWeb Employs 2 Layers of Machine Learning

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# Web Protection - Anomaly Detection Layer I

## GOAL:

- Build a profile of allowed behavior that represents the application‘s true state
- Trigger anomalies when requests violate probability
- Automatically and immediately update profile when application state changes

## FortiWeb ML

- Builds mathematical models with just 400 samples (Uses Hidden Markov Model (HMM) algorithm
- Continuously builds new mathematical models as more samples are collected
- Addresses incomplete profiles
- Addresses application changes

### Collect

- Gather samples
- Minimum 400
- Continuously collect additional samples

### Build

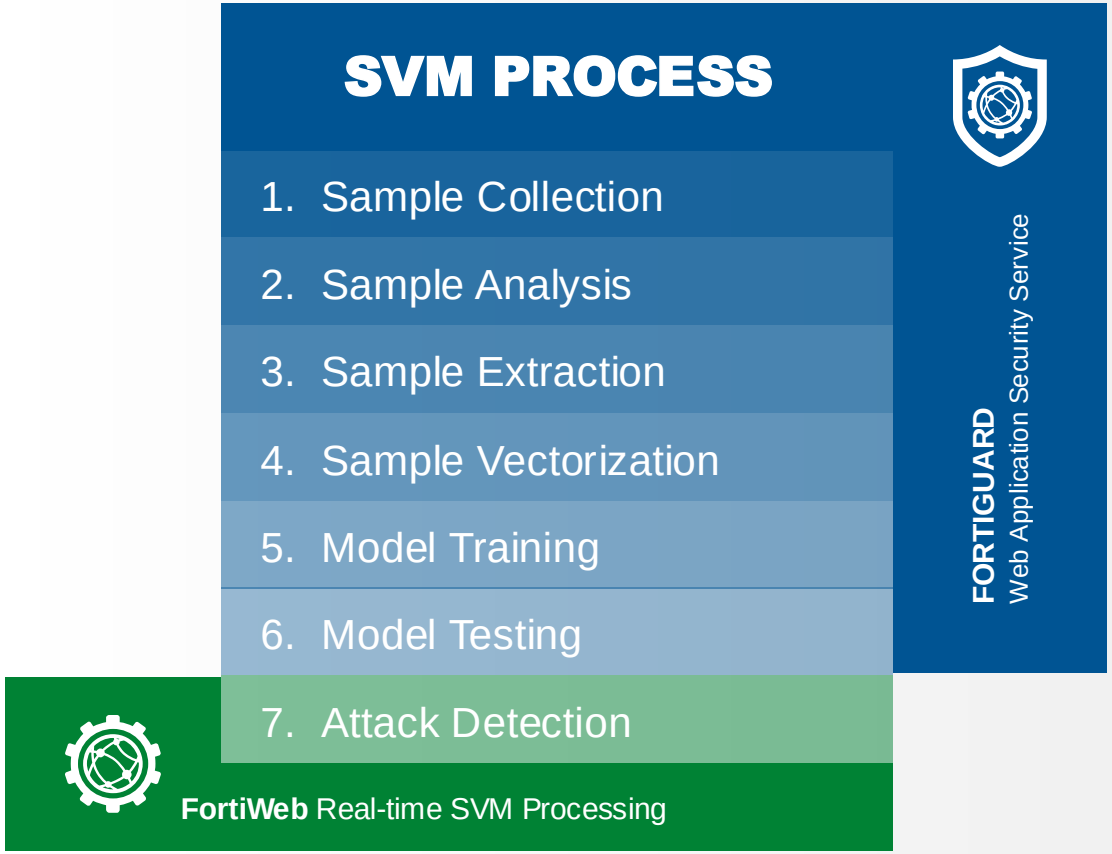
- Build mathematical models
- Establish parameters
- Set variances
- Continuously evaluate enhanced models

### Run

- Enforce Action, trigger anomaly

# Web Protection - Anomaly Detection Layer II

- 2nd layer Machine Learning using Support Vector Machine (SVM) algorithm
- FortiWeb uses threat models trained using thousands of attack samples to identify new attacks
- Every anomaly is tested against the threat models
- Unlike traditional signatures (regex), SVM learns attack model elements so can cover variations of attack
- FortiGuard continuously pushes to FortiWeb updated threat models
- “Heavy lifting” done by FortiGuard
- Minimal performance impact to FortiWeb



# API Discovery and Protection

**APIs are developed and managed differently than standard web applications**

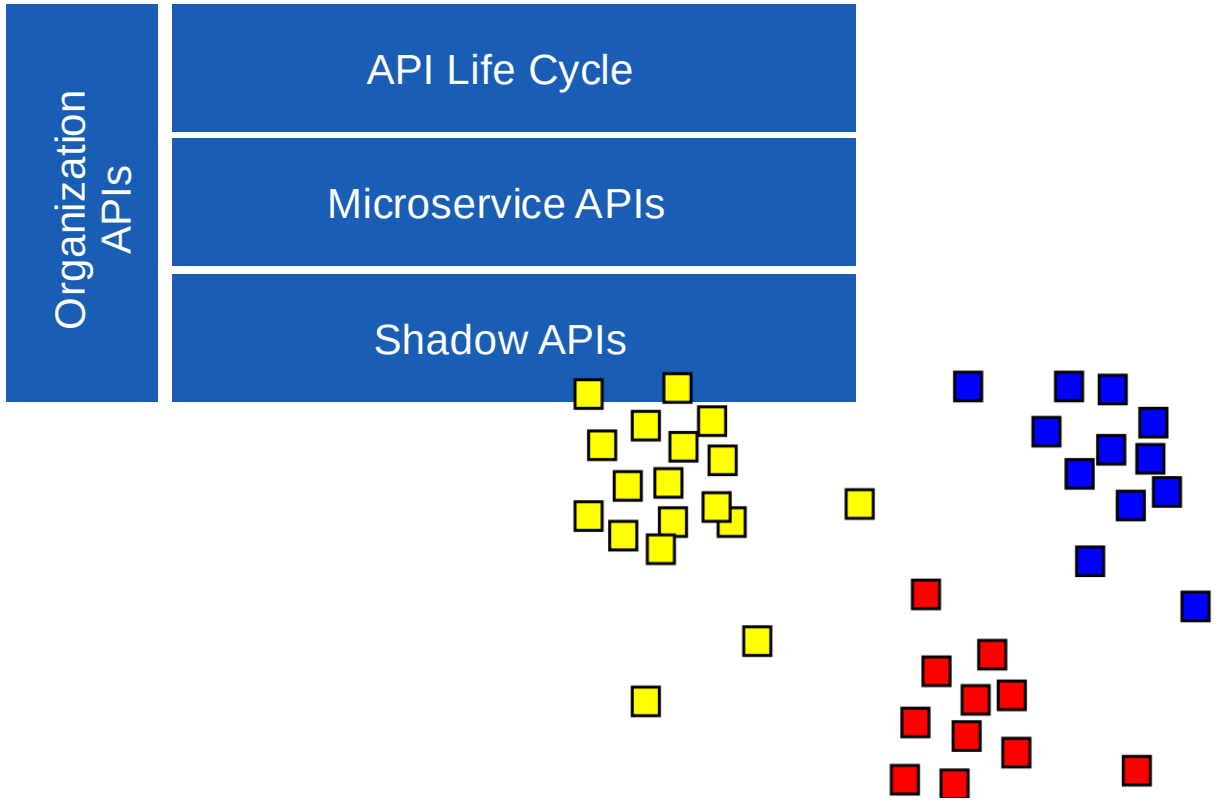
- Shadow APIs – developed as part of the app implementation, not known publicly
- Microservices introduce many internal APIs
- API lifecycle – API evolution/deprecation/temporality
- You can't secure what you don't know. API visibility is key

**API Discovery**

- Identify all API endpoints
- Identify which APIs include PII

**API Protection**

- Restores the API specification from user behavior
- FortiWeb uses machine learning based URL clustering with schema awareness algorithms
- Clustering is grouping data points based on similarities and patterns

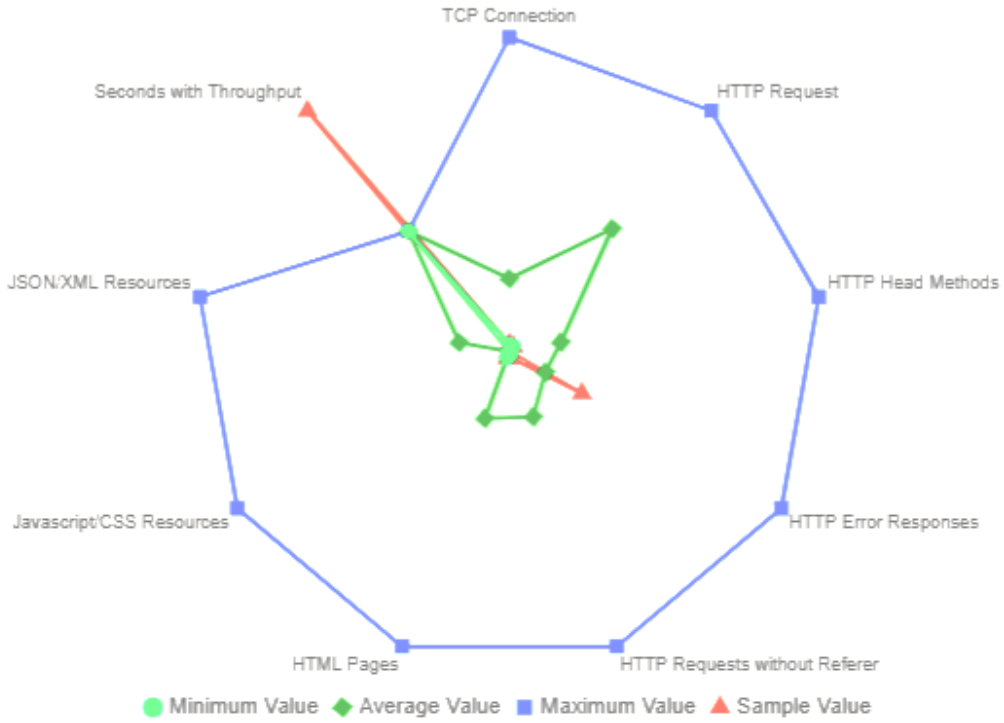


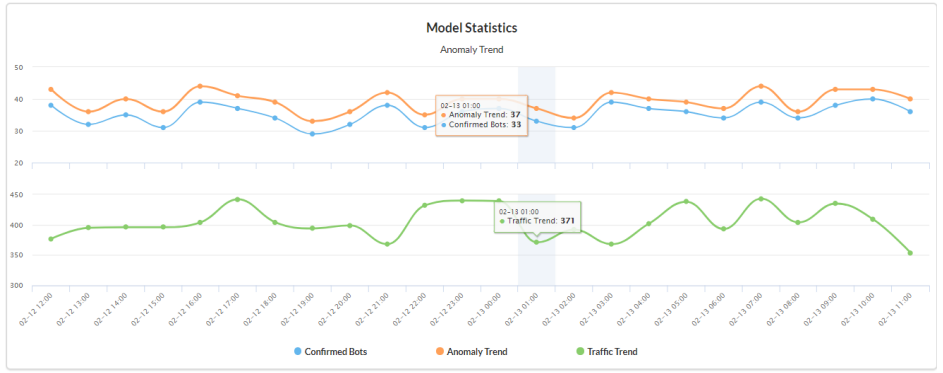
# Bot Mitigation

- 30%-50% of internet traffic is automated traffic. Some industries hit harder (travel, e-commerce, real estate)
- Bad bots involved in scraping, fraud, competitive data mining, personal and financial data harvesting, ticketing, account take over, carding, spam and more
- Bot sophistication varies from dumb, easy to identify (25%) to sophisticated, human like bots (20%)

## FortiWeb ML

- Uses one class SVM algorithm
- Validates each sample using JS
- Builds models across 13 traffic dimensions
- Verifies models with additional test samples



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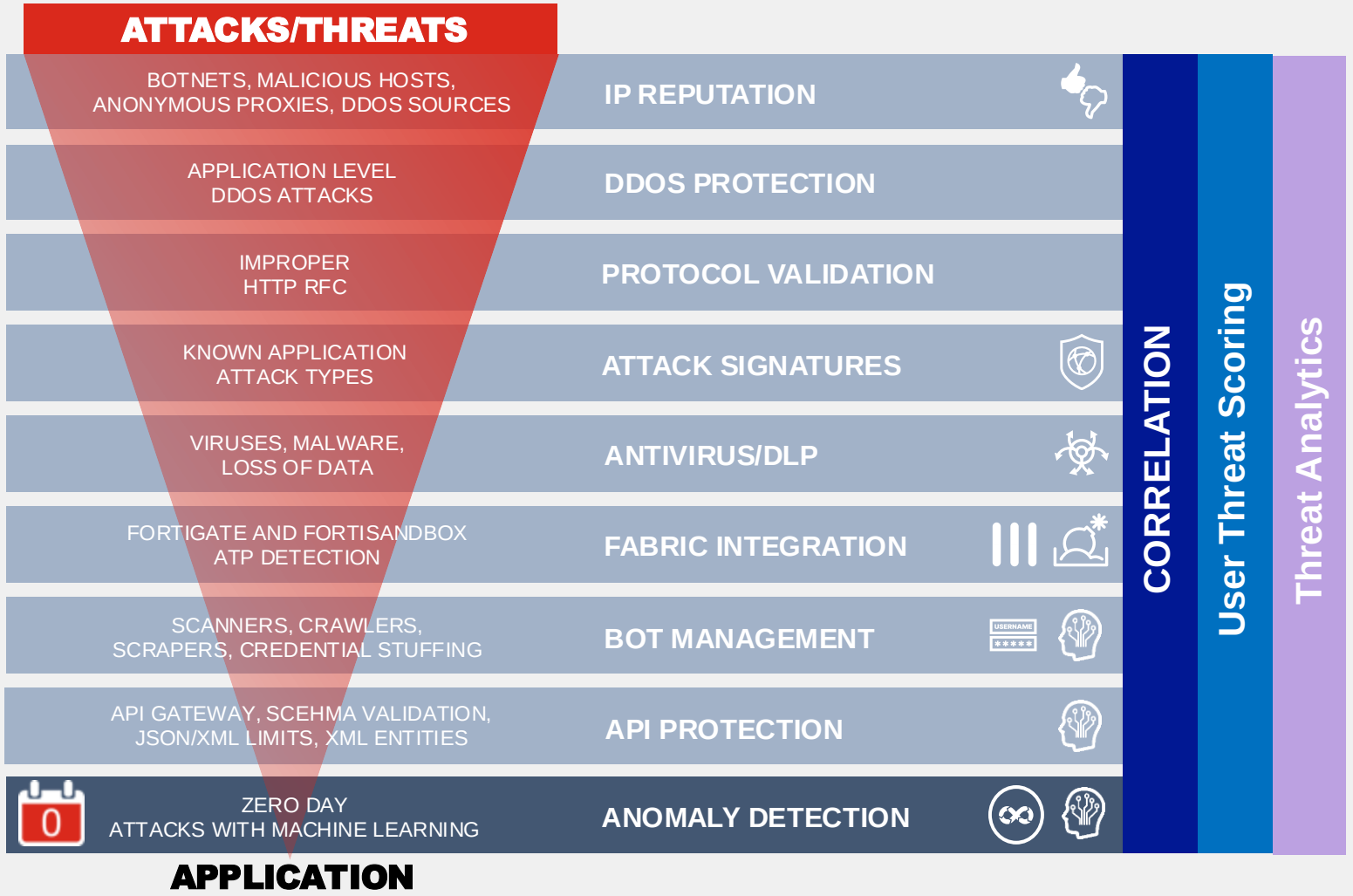
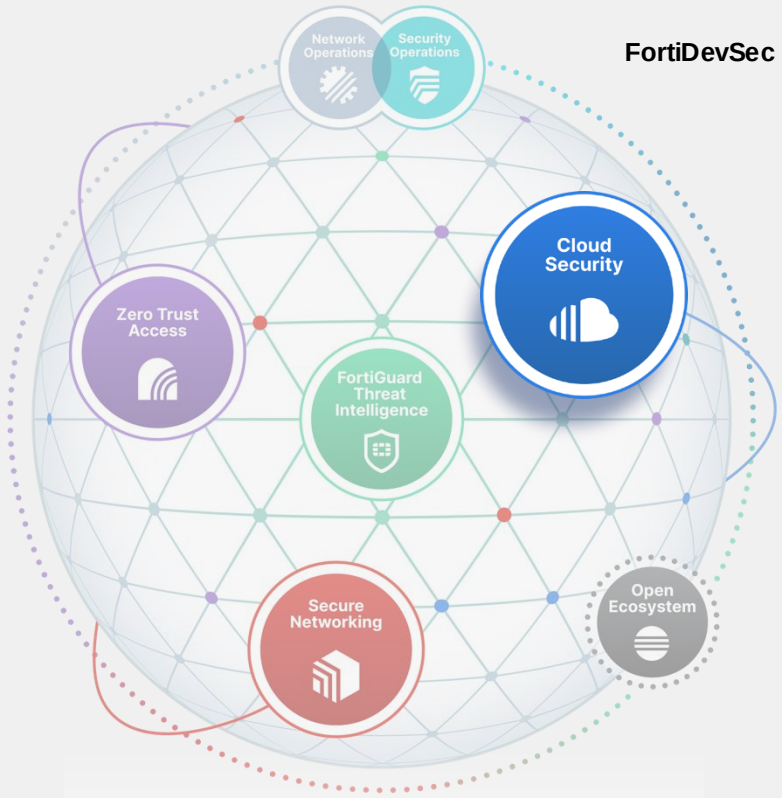
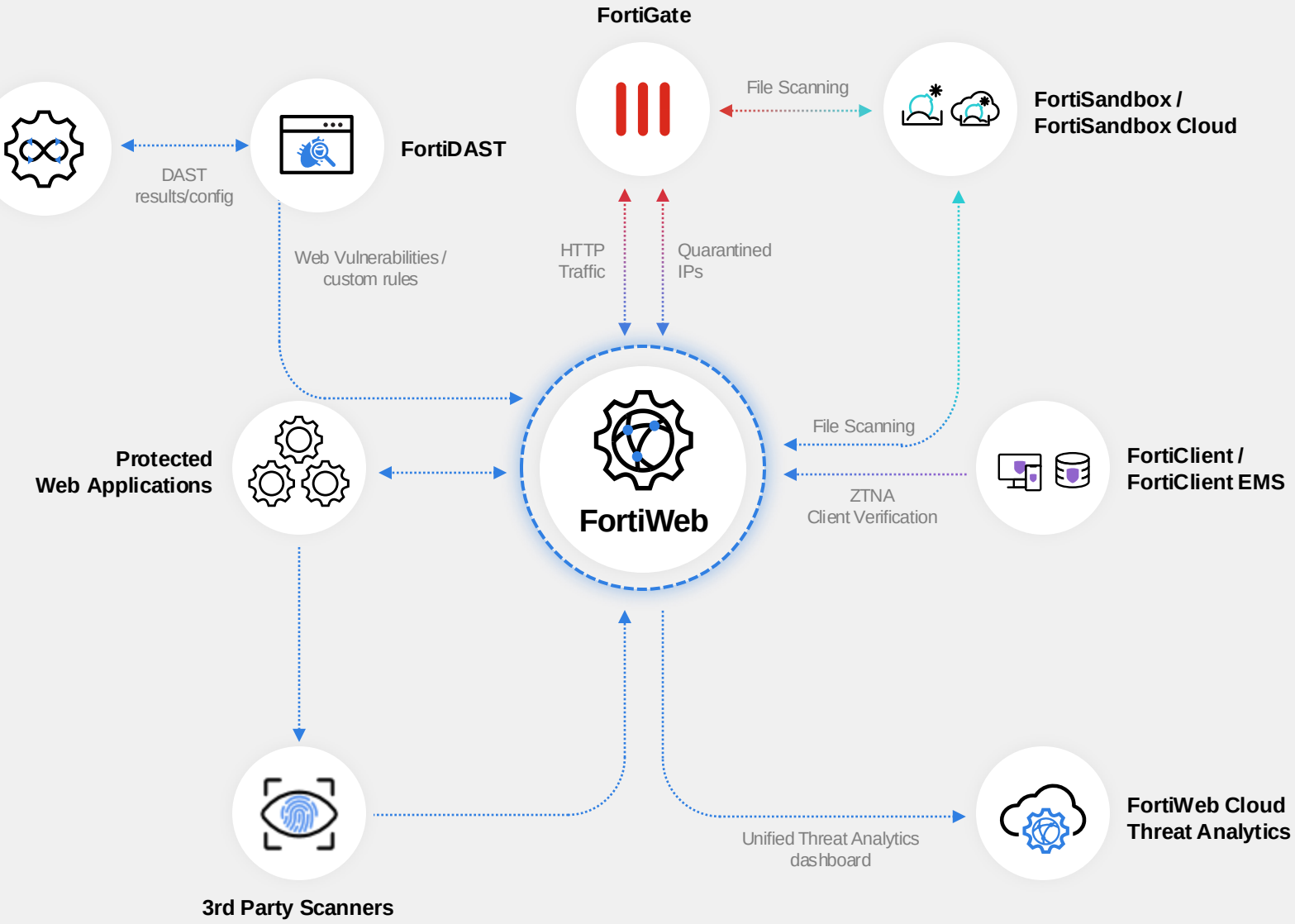
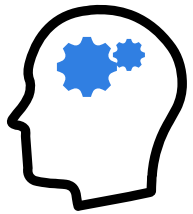


# Security Fabric Integrations




A FortiWeb can be configured to join a Security Fabric through the root or downstream FortiGate.





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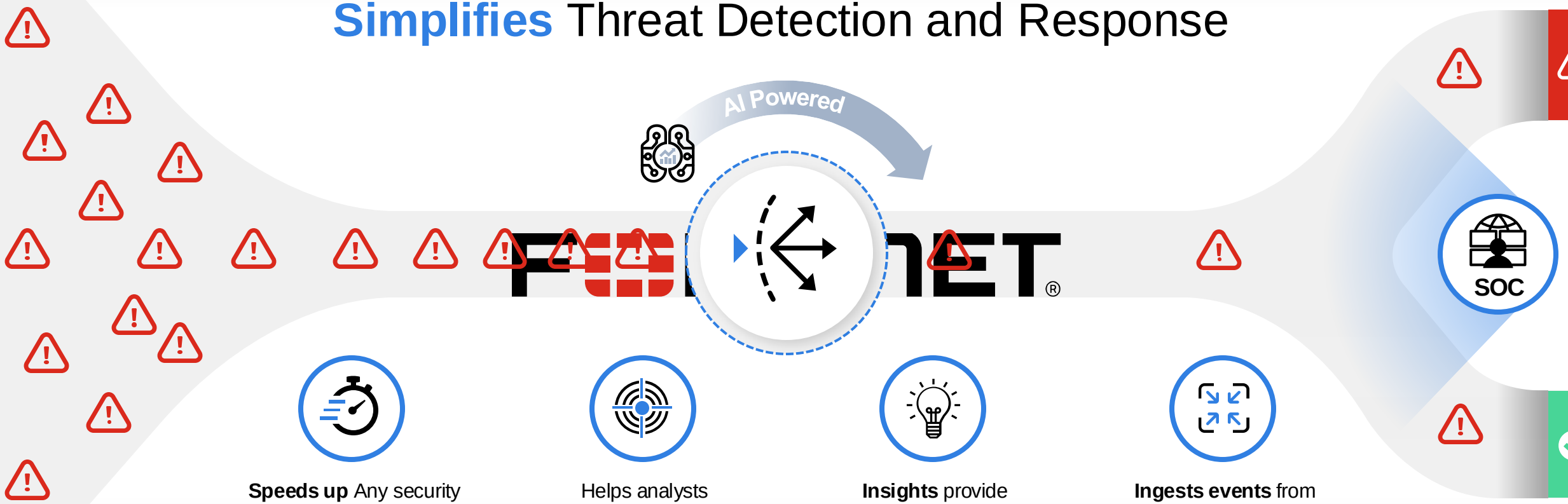
## **Simplifies** Threat Detection and Response




**Speeds up** Any security alerts investigation

Helps analysts **focus** on the most important threats - alleviates alert fatigue

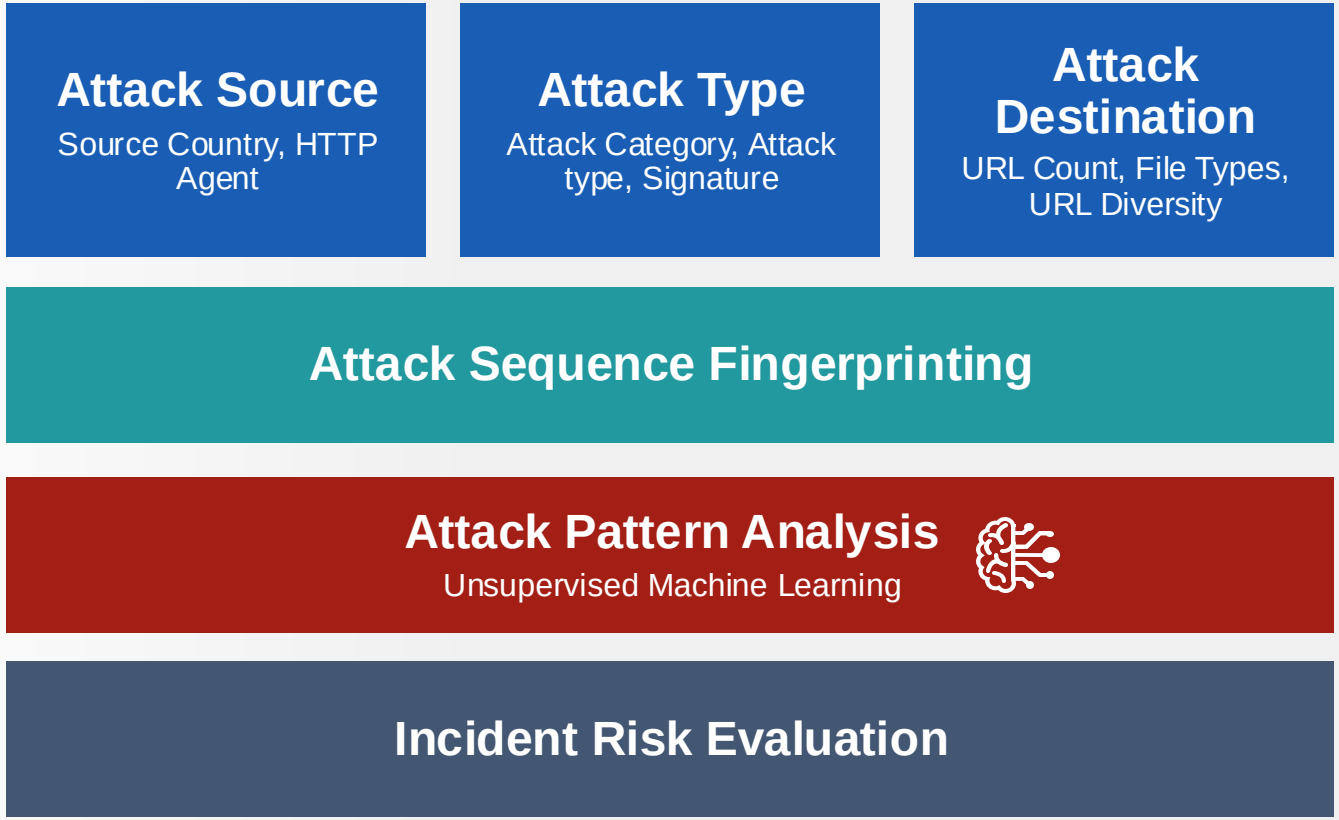
**Insights** provide suggestions to harden security based on findings

**Ingests events** from across your entire hybrid cloud environments

# How it Works

**FortiWeb Threat Analytics** uses machine learning algorithms to identify attack patterns and aggregate them into security incidents across customer entire application assets.

- Aggregate attacks into sequences
  - Same source and destination
  - No match for 60 min
- Create fingerprints for attack sequences
- Use ML to identify patterns in fingerprints
- Aggregate sequences into incidents
- Evaluate incident risk. Severity is impacted by –
  - Severity of every attack in incident
  - Number of attacks in incident
  - Variety of attack types



# Summing it all up

# Web App Security from Dev to Prod

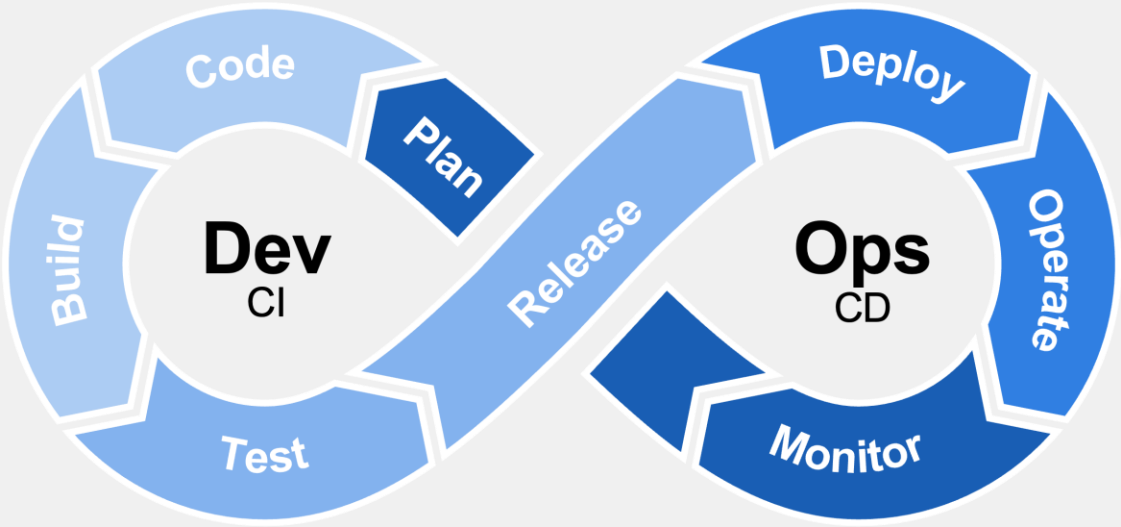
**Black-Box Dynamic Application Security Testing**

- Automated Vulnerability Scanning
- Advanced Crawler
- Fuzzer Expertise
- Detailed and Summary Reporting

**DevOps-first Application Security Testing**

- Simplifies AppSec for Modern DevOps
- Comprehensive Vulnerability Management
- Noise reduction

## FortiDAST




## FortiDevSec

## FortiWeb

**Machine Learning enhanced Web Application and API Protection**

- Web Application Security
- Protect Internet Facing APIs
- Bot Defense
- End Alert Fatigue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