Handling Container Vulnerabilities with Open Policy Agent

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Software vulnerabilities









CVE-2014-0160







How many vulnerabilities are reported?





https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/search/statistics







The number of vulnerabilities (2019)

Per Year

17,306

Not easy to understand how vulnerabilities work







Asset management

- Need to know
 - Which OS
 - What package
 - What programming language
 - What library
- are used in your system





















Asset management

Remove vulnerabilities not related to your organization









Manually?









Asset

Vulnerability data





Vulnerability scanners in the cloud native area







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Automated vulnerability scanning

Vulnerability scanning



5-10 /day

Small?



Vulnerability Distribution By CVSS Scores (2019)

1459





CVSS Score Ranges

https://www.cvedetails.com/cvss-score-charts.php







Filter by CVSS score

Only critical vulnerabilities









Is the CVSS score reliable?

• CVE-2014-0160 (Heartbleed)







Vector: (AV:N/AC:L/Au:N/C:P/I:N/A:N)





Healthcare TNews

Hackers exploit Heartbleed to swipe data of 4.5 million

FBI industry alert late to the game

By Erin McCann | December 12, 2014 | 02:34 PM





https://www.healthcareitnews.com/news/hackers-exploit-heartbleed-swipe-data-45-million







CVE-2017-15896





CVSS:3.0/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:N

https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/detail/CVE-2017-15896

https://access.redhat.com/security/cve/cve-2017-15896







Vulnerability handling

- Define our own policy for vulnerability handling
 - It depends on your system, organization, etc.
- e.g.
 - The risk of "bash" vulnerabilities can be accepted
 - "bash" is not internet-facing
 - The risk of "XSS" can be accepted
 - the system is static
 - The vulnerability which requires user interaction can be ignored
 - e.g. a successful exploit may only be possible during the installation of an application by a system administrator.









Other useful information for vulnerability handling

- CVSS vector
- CWE-ID



Base Score: 7.5 HIGH

Weakness Enumeration

CWE-ID	CWE Name
CWE-79	Improper Neutralization of Input During Web

Vector: CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:N/A:N





CVSS vector

Attack Vector (AV)
Network (N) Adjacent (A) Local (L) Physical (F
Attack Complexity (AC)
Low (L) High (H)
Privileges Required (PR)
None (N) Low (L) High (H)
User Interaction (UI)
None (N) Required (R)





https://www.first.org/cvss/calculator/3.0







CWE

- e.g.
 - CWE-78: OS Command Injection
 - CWE-79: Cross-site scripting (XSS)
 - CWE-89: SQL Injection

• CWE (Common Weakness Enumeration) aims to provide a common base to identify the type of software weakness (vulnerability).





Rewrite the policy





Vulnerability handling with Open Policy Agent





Open Policy Agent (OPA)



- Open source policy engine
- CNCF project
- Usable as a library and a service
 - Provides a declarative DSL for writing policy called Rego









```
1 package vulnerability
 2
 3 default ignore = false
 4
 5
   ignore {
 6
       input.pkg_name == "bash"
 7 }
 8
   ignore {
 9
10
       input.cwe_id == "CWE-79" # XSS
11 }
12
13 ignore {
14
       input.cvss_vector.user_interaction == "required"
15 }
16
17 ignore {
18
       input.cvss_score < 7.0</pre>
19 }
```



Vulnerability detail

https://play.openpolicyagent.org/p/cBZA3qkslV





Filter by composite rules







0-1 /day

Vulnerability information is not always correct

- NVD says "User interaction" is "Required", but it might be wrong
 - Don't trust the vulnerability information too much
 - It's best to read the patch and primary source





Apply OPA to the result from vulnerability scanner



Automated process



OPA integration in Trivy





Case study: Trivy & OPA



Vulnerability detection



Evaluate vulnerabilities







- Open source scanner for container images
- Developed in 2019
- Features
 - Easy installation
 - Simple & Fast
 - DevSecOps





https://github.com/aquasecurity/trivy













INPUT 1 • { "VulnerabilityID": "CVE-2019-1547", 2 "PkgName": "openssl", 3 "Title": "openssl: side-channel weak encryption vulnerability", 4 "Description": "Normally in OpenSSL EC groups always have a co-factor present and ... 5 "Severity": "LOW", 6 Instatledversion: "1.1.1c-r0", "FixedVersion": "1.1.1d-r0", 8 "CweIDs": [9 🔻 "CWE-311" 10 11 "CVSS": { 12 • "nvd": { 13 🔻 "1/2//actor" ... "A//AL /ACIM/AUAN/CID/TIN/AIN! 14 "V3Vector": "CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:H/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:N/A:N" 15 HUVP ASTOCIONO HUMPINI MILLIN 16 "V3Score": 4.7 17 18 }, 19 }, "References": [20 • "https://git.openssl.org/gitweb/?..." 21 22 23 24



The structure of each vulnerability input is the same as for the Trivy JSON output.





Helper functions

CVSS:3.1/AV:L/AC:H/PR:L/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:N/A:N

parse_cvss_vector_v3



"AttackVector": "Local", "AttackComplexity": "High", "PrivilegesRequired": "Low", "UserInteraction": "None", "Scope": "Unchanged", "Confidentiality": "High", "Integrity": "None", "Availability": "None"



Policy example

```
package trivy
   import data.lib.trivy
   default ignore = false
   ignore_pkgs := {"bash", "bind-license", "rpm", "vim", "vim-minimal"}
   ignore_severities := {"LOW", "MEDIUM"}
   nvd_v3_vector = v {
11
12
       v := input.CVSS.nvd.v3
13 }
14
15
   ignore {
       input.PkgName == ignore_pkgs[_]
16
17 }
18
19 ignore {
       input.Severity == ignore_severities[_]
20
21 }
```













Without policy

\$ trivy image centos:7 centos:7 (centos 7.8.2003)

With policy

\$ trivy image --ignore-policy example.rego centos:7 centos:7 (centos 7.8.2003)

Total: 7 (UNKNOWN: 0, LOW: 0, MEDIUM: 0, HIGH: 7, CRITICAL: 0)

Total: 622 (UNKNOWN: 0, LOW: 361, MEDIUM: 252, HIGH: 9, CRITICAL: 0)





OPA integration in Kubernetes





Trivy Enforcer

- Kubernetes Operator
 - Run as Custom Controller
 - Pre-Scan
 - Run as Admission Controller
 - Image Assurance
- EXPERIMENTAL project (PoC)



https://github.com/aquasecurity/trivy-enforcer

















Load Policies





Image Assurance











Image Assurance with Harbor









Image Assurance throughout the development lifecycle



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Summary

- Define your custom policy for vulnerability handling
- **Open Policy Agent integration**
 - Trivy CLI
 - Trivy Enforcer (Kubernetes Operator)
- Image Assurance throughout the development lifecycle



Share the policy







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Share the policy





Thank you for your attention









