



ANATOMY OF AN APPSEC PROGRAM

OR HOW TO STOP DEPLOYING SHITTY SHODDY CODE TO PRODUCTION



SEPTEMBER 28-29, 2018

AGENDA

BECAUSE QA SAID I NEEDED ONE

- Introductions
- The Problem (as I see it)
- The Solution (again, as I see it)
 - Finding vulnerabilities
 - Fixing things
 - Preventing vulnerabilities
 - Metrics
- Wrap-up / Q&A

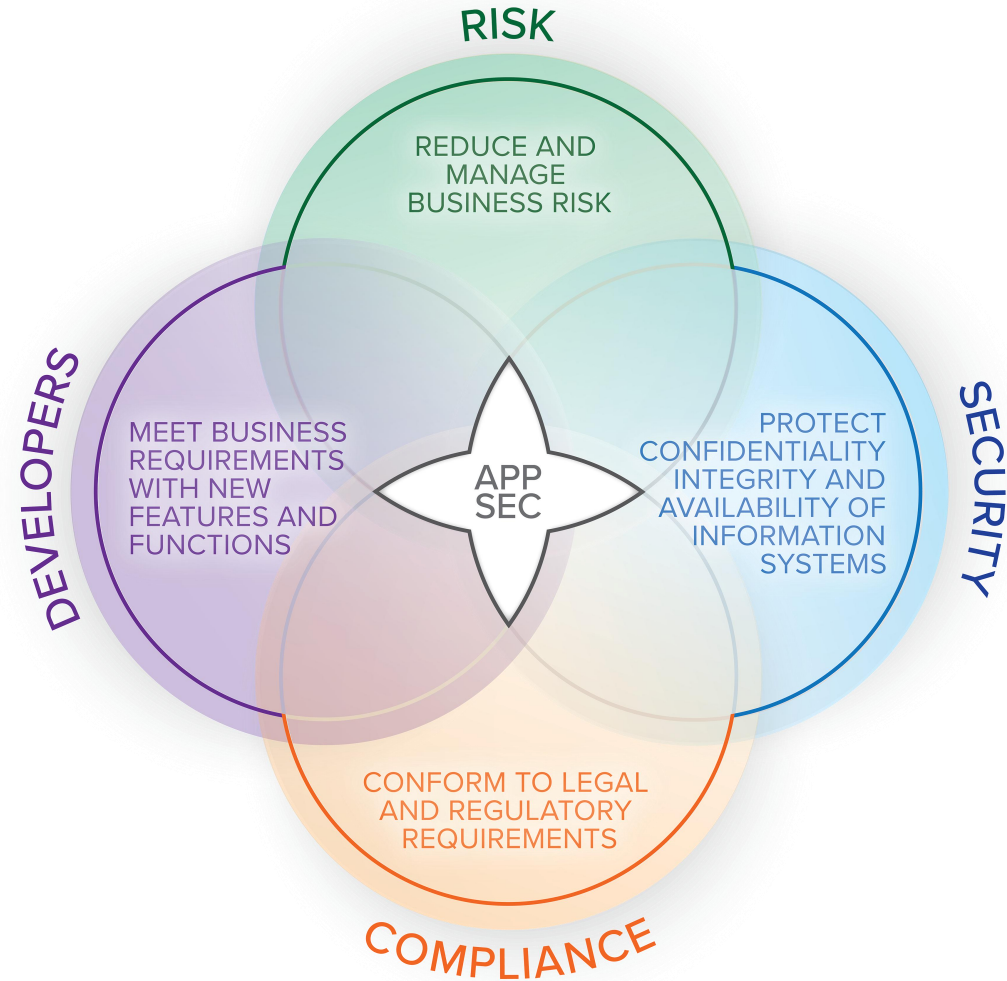




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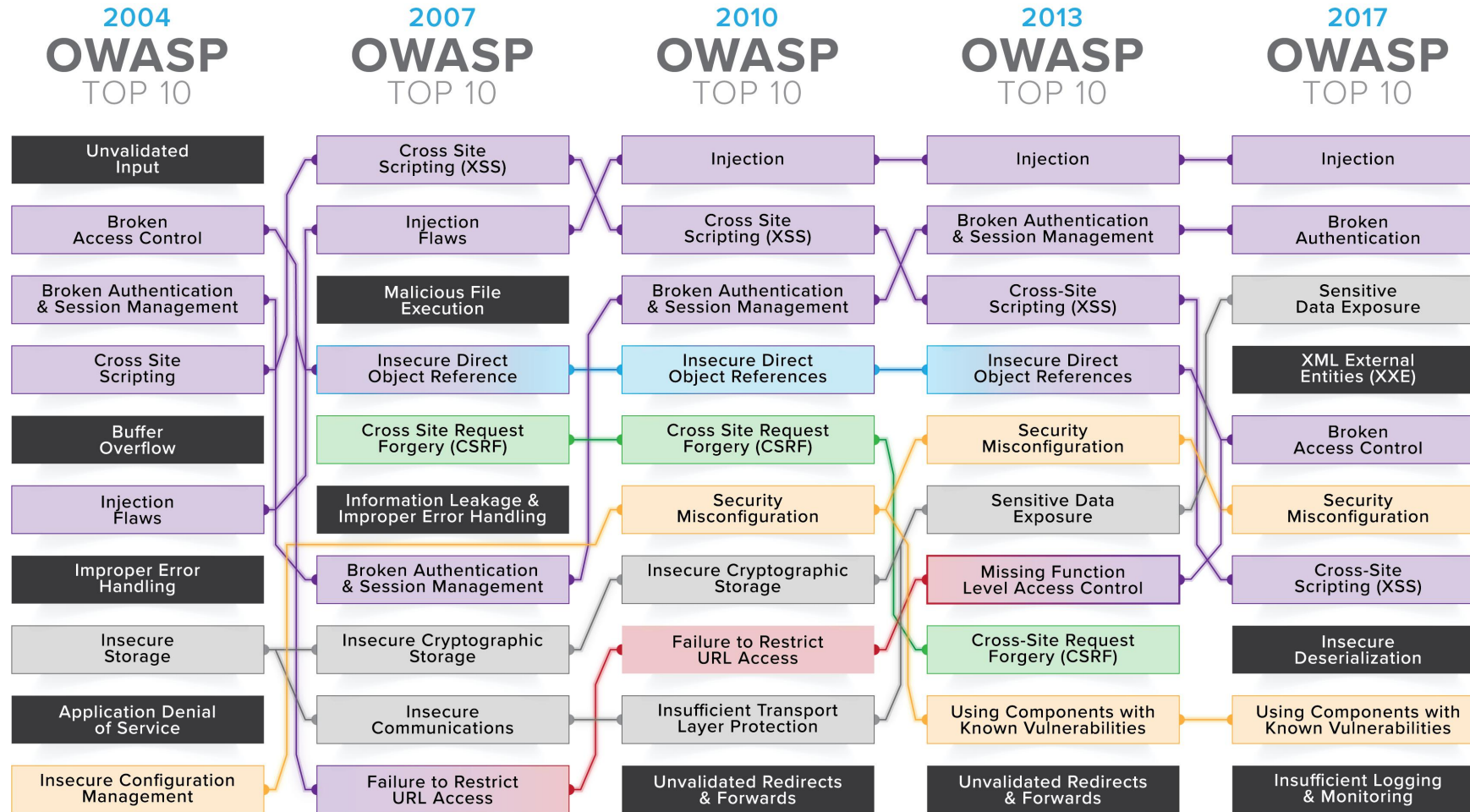
APPSEC

THE GLUE THAT STICKS SECURITY BALLS TOGETHER



OWASP TOP 10

14 YEARS OF THE SAME OL' SHIT-CRAP



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BECAUSE DRAMA CREATES TENSION

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Gartner Forecasts Worldwide Security Spending Will Reach \$96 Billion in 2018, Up 8 Percent from 2017

Security Risks Drive Growth in Overall Security Spending

Top Spending Areas for Skills and Technology

Skill

Spending Area	% Respondents
Application security	76%
Compliance	76%
Data security	74%

Technology

Spending Area	% Respondents
Access and authentication	88%
Advanced malware protection	80%
Endpoint protection	75%

APPLICATION SECURITY

WHAT IS THIS APPSEC YOU SPEAK OF?

IT'S SECURITY FOR APPLICATIONS

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BECAUSE DEFINITIONS ARE AWESOME

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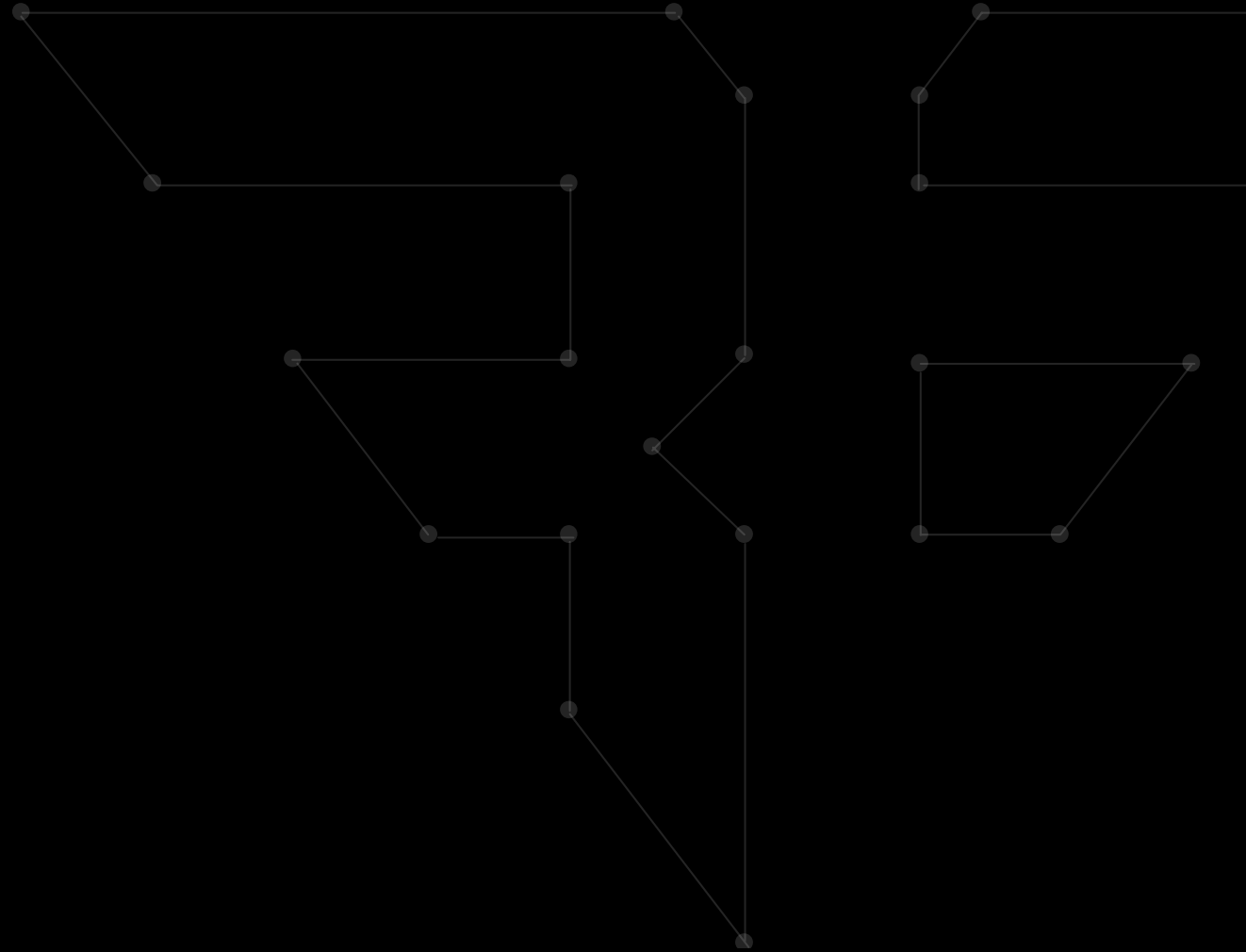
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And then *measure* your results.

- Joe

FINDING VULNS

LOOKING FOR A NEEDLE IN A STACK OF NEEDLES





FINDING VULNS

DON'T FOCUS ON TOOLS

FINDING VULNS

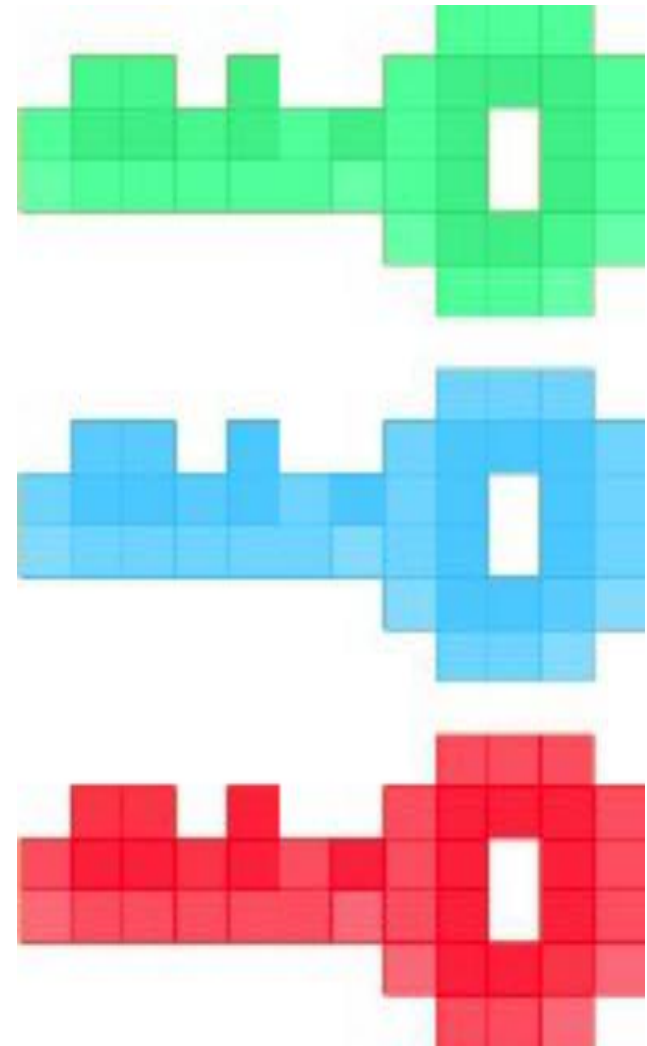
YEAH, IT'S KINDA LIKE THAT



KEY POINTS

WRITE THIS DOWN

- Don't try to do everything at once.
- Start small and expand.
- Focus on your high-risk apps first.
- Chain together assessment methodologies.



TODO: FIX THIS STUFF

CUZ THAT'S BASICALLY THE POINT



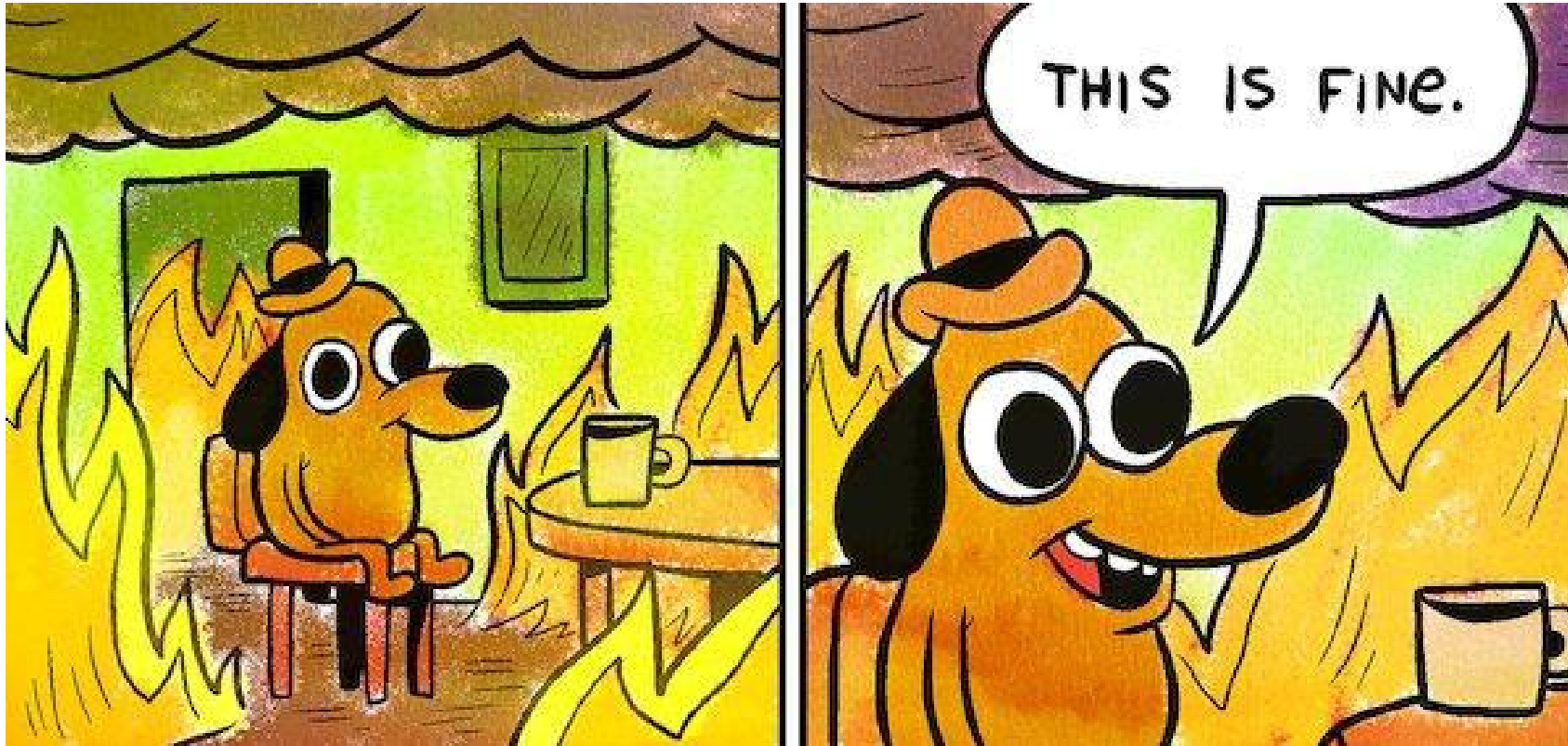
FIXING VULNS

WITH A MEME



FIXING VULNS

WITH ANOTHER OVERUSED MEME



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BUT IT'S BEHIND THE FIREWALL"

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$con = mysql_connect("localhost",$user,$pass);
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mysql_select_db("database", $con);
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$id = $_GET['id'];
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$result = mysql_query("SELECT name FROM user WHERE id=$id", $con);
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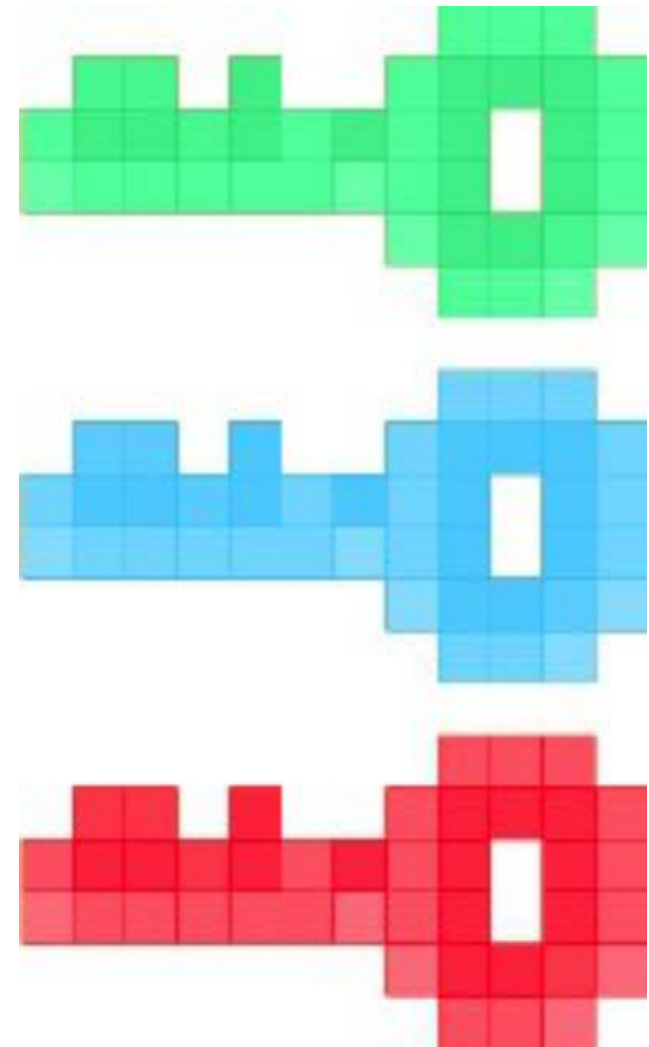
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KEY POINTS

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- Make it easy for your developers to engage in AppSec.
- Set realistic goals and expand.
- Create a security backlog and use “security sprints” each release to work it.
- As teams mature, introduce security gates.
- Have a process to handle false positives.



PREVENTION

ACTUALLY GETTING BETTER



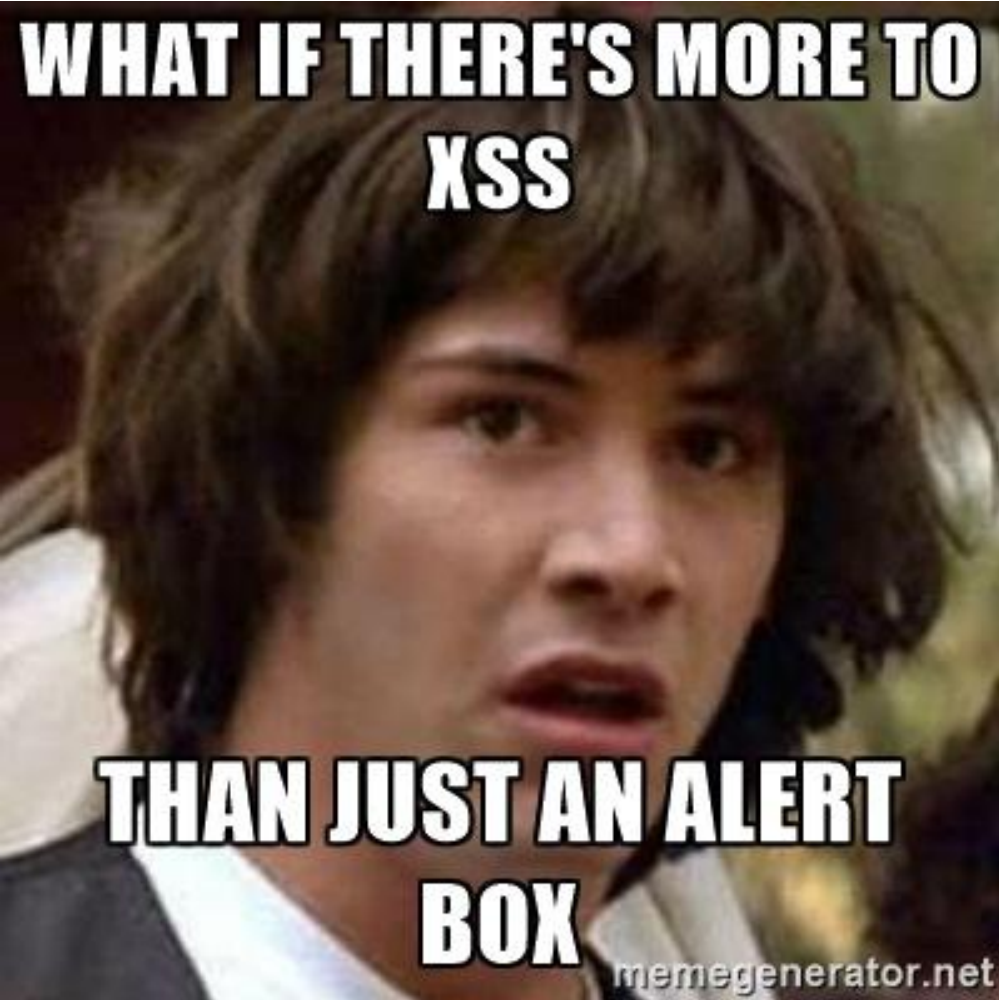
PREVENTION

MAKING DEVELOPERS BETTER



EDUCATING DEVELOPERS

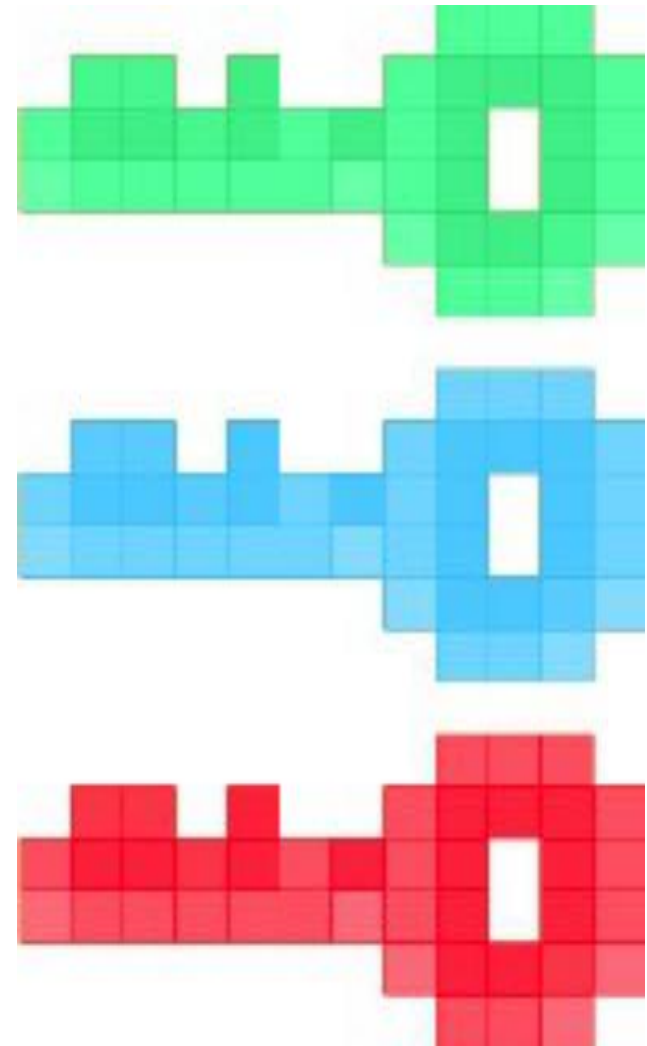
IN THE WAYS OF SECURITY



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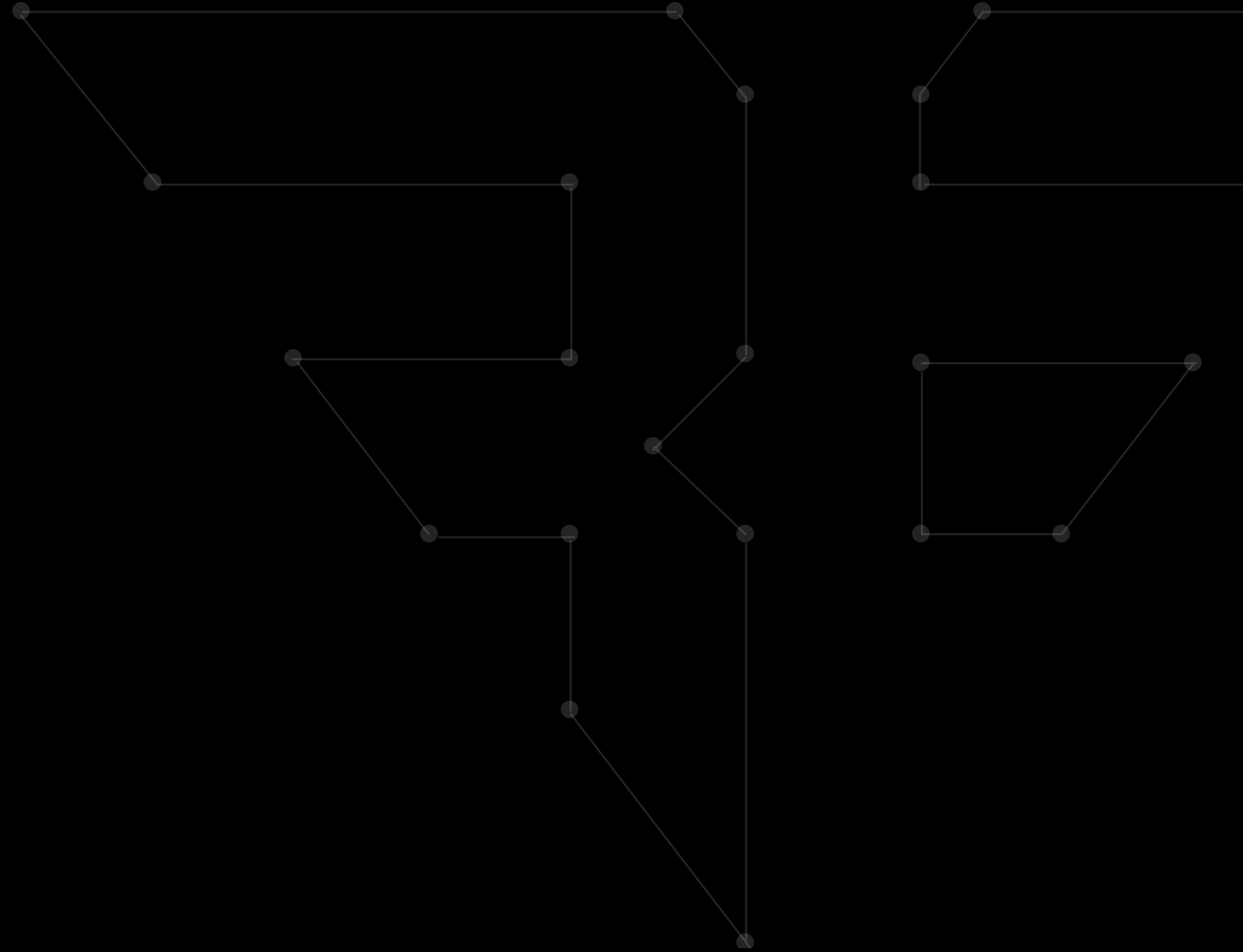
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- Developers aren't security people.
- Have hands-on workshops to cover security issues.
- Walk your developers through hacking things.
- Top-down support is really critical.



METRICS

HOW TO KNOW IF IT'S WORKING



METRICS VS. STATS

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

STATISTIC: A **fact** or piece of **data** from a study of a large quantity of numerical data

METRICS: **Standards** of measurement by which **performance**, progress, or quality of a **plan**, process, or product **can be assessed**

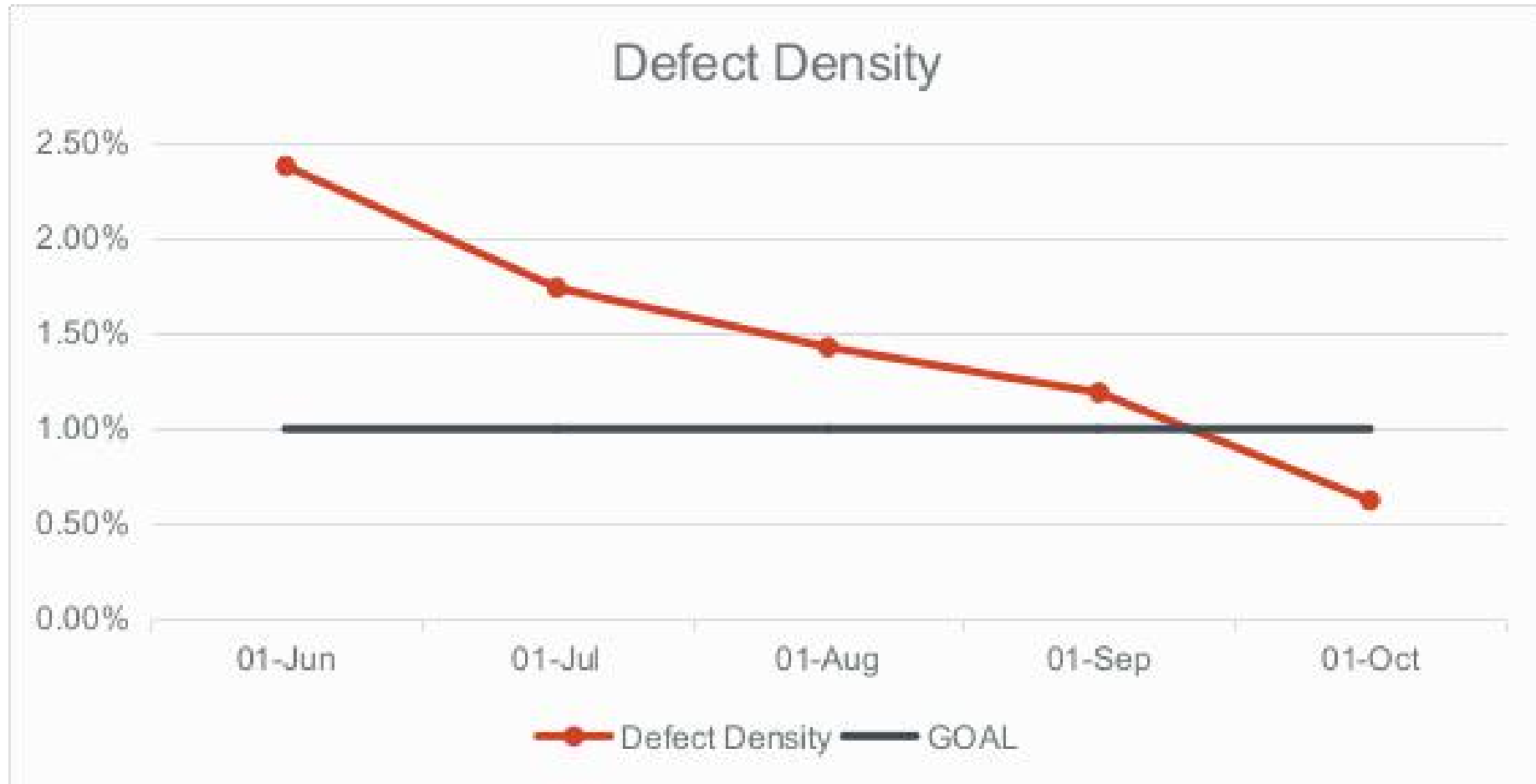
APPSEC METRICS

AN EXAMPLE

GOAL	QUESTION	MEASURE	METRIC
Less than 1% security defect rate	How many vulns are there? How many lines of code?	Number of vulns Number of LoC	Security Defect Density – number of vulns/1000 lines of code, plotted over time with the target waterline

APPSEC METRICS

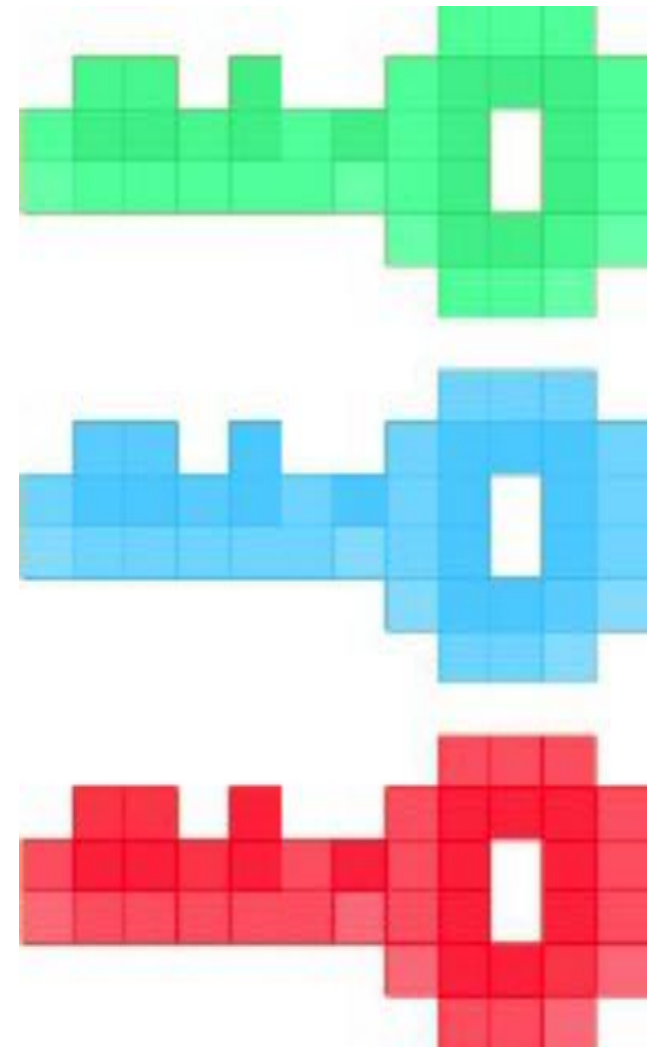
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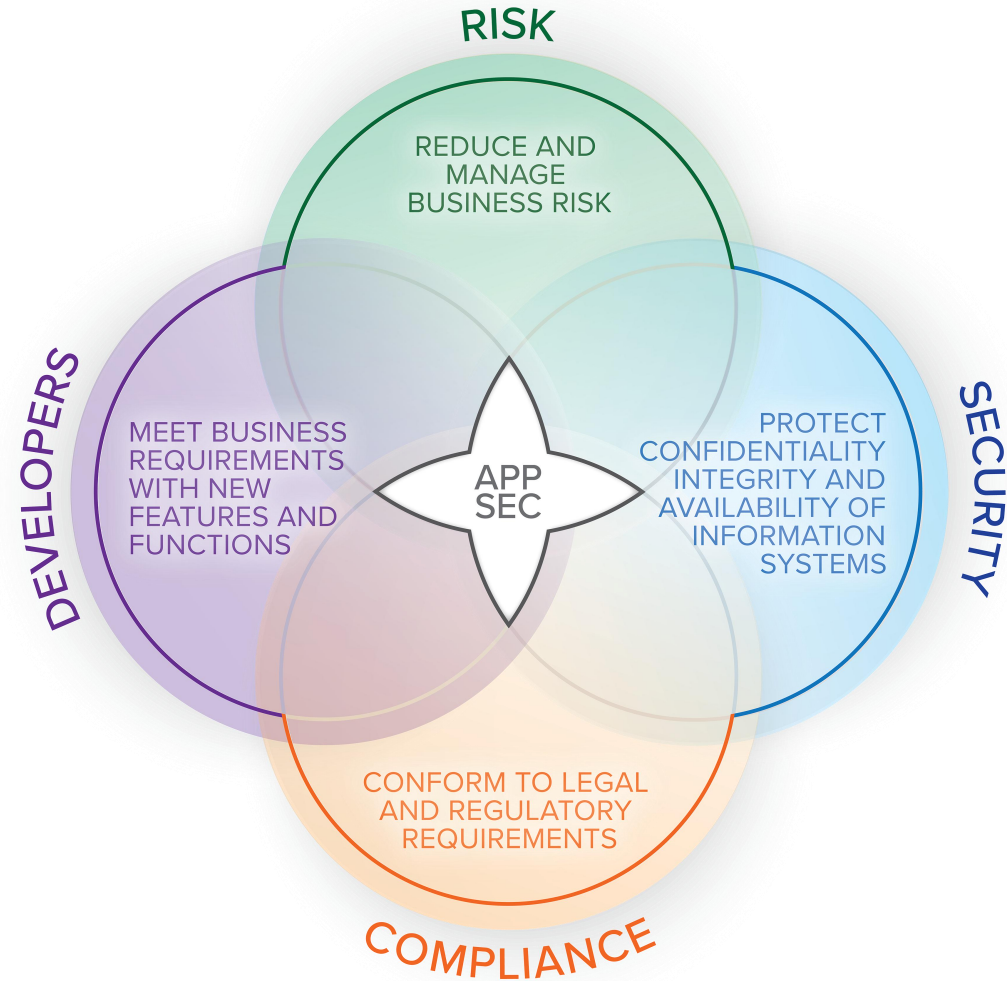
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- Use the G-Q-M method for metrics.
- Choose meaningful metrics.
- Evaluate against a defined framework.
- This is how you demonstrate value.



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