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How Understanding Risk Is Changing for Open Source Components

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Built Mostly from Components

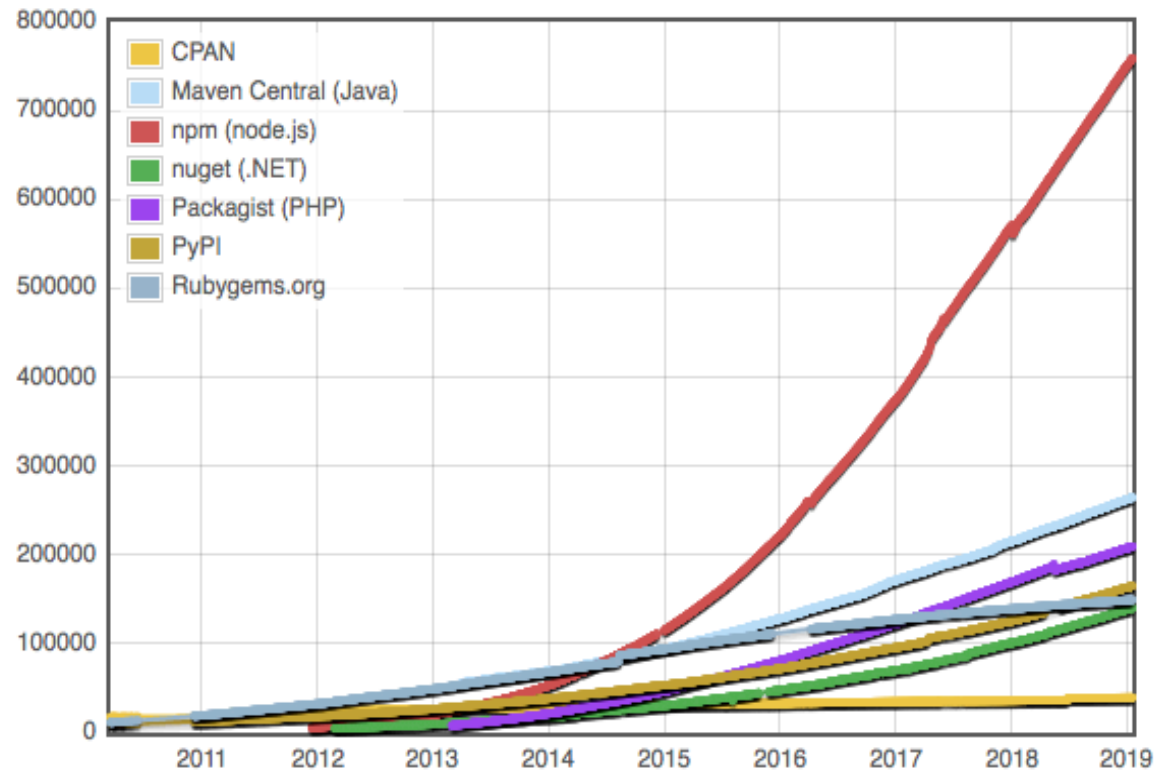


80% to 95% of **modern apps** consist of assembled components.



Open Source Repo Stats

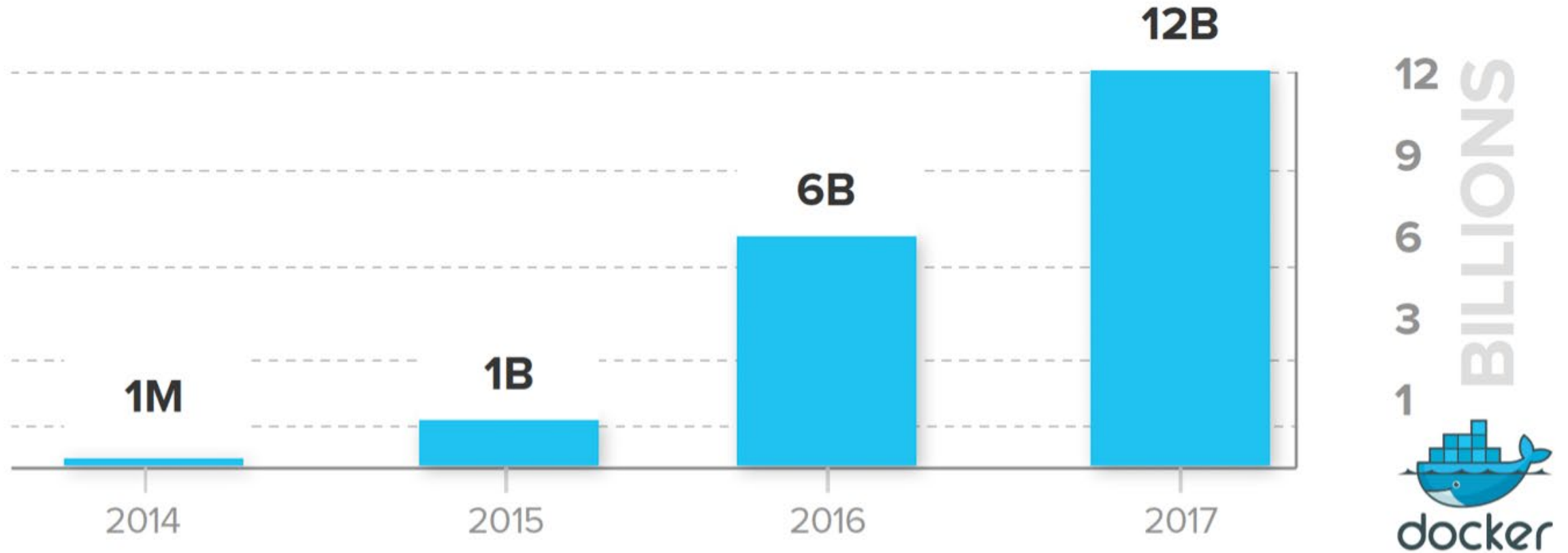
Module Counts



Language	Packages	Avg. Growth
Perl	39,416	2/day
Java	265,303	131/day
Node.js	762,073	507/day
.NET	140,541	67/day
PHP	210,210	134/day
Python	165,737	114/day
Ruby	149,579	27/day

<http://www.modulecounts.com/> Data from January, 2019

Pulls from Docker Hub



DockerCon 2017

Open Source – More or Less Secure?

- Defect rate in open source is no better or worse than first party code
- The difference is that developers never revisit
- Integrated and abandoned
- It's not a problem until a vulnerability is discovered



Sizing The Problem

96%

of applications contain open source components

Source: Black Duck

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Applications have an average of 46 components.

Source: Veracode

67%

of applications had vulnerabilities in those components.

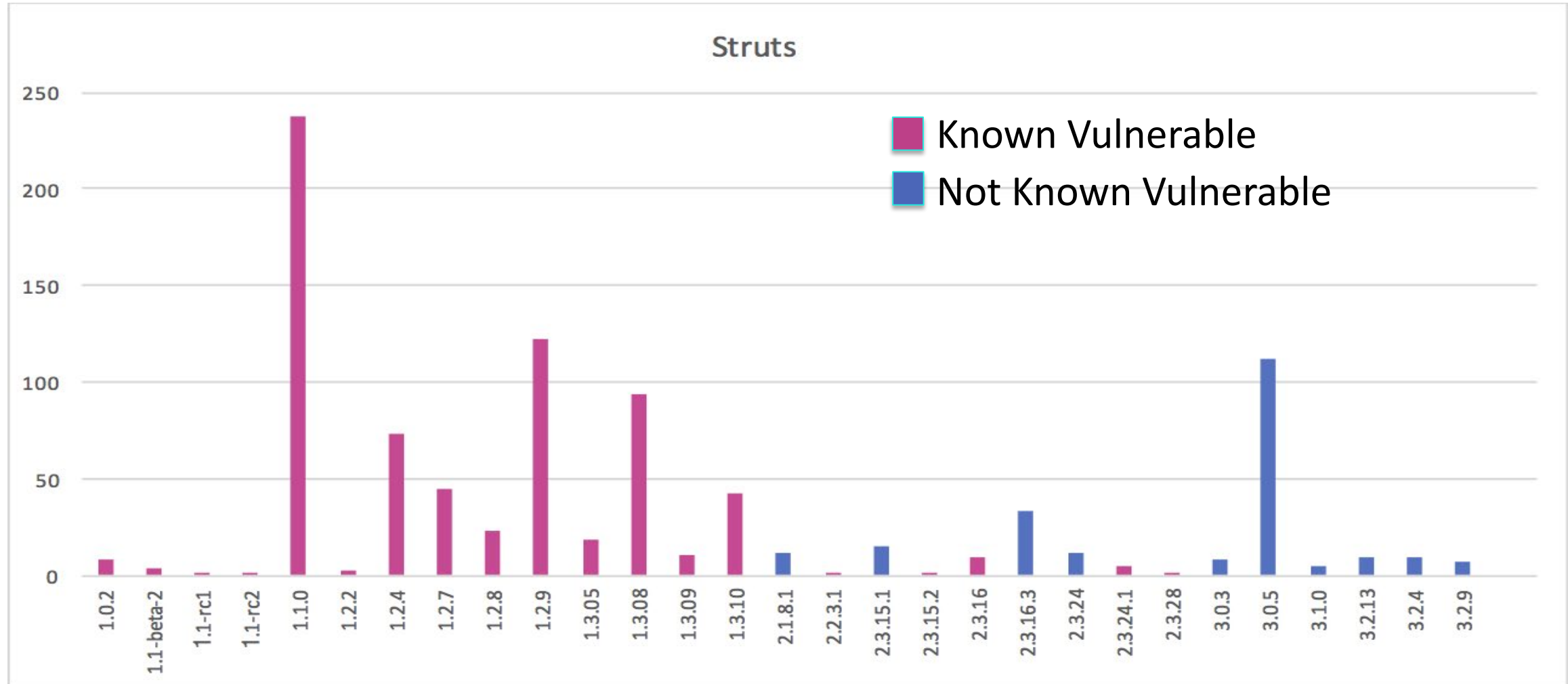
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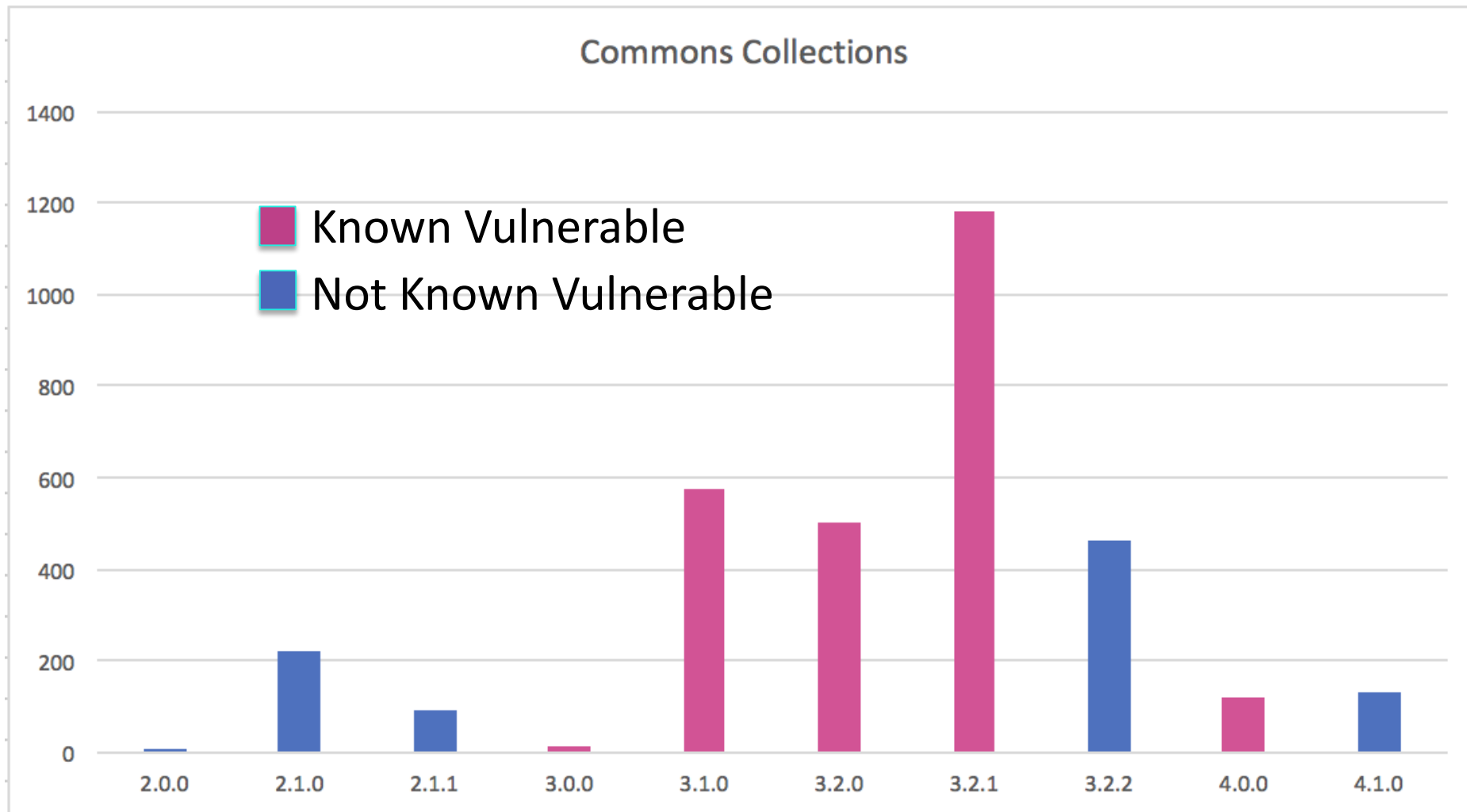
On average, vulnerabilities identified have been publicly known for 4 years

Source: Black Duck

Integrated and Abandoned Explicitly - Struts



Integrated and Abandoned Implicitly – Apache Commons Collections



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**Where do you find open source
vulnerability data?**



Not all public vulnerabilities are in the National Vulnerability Database (NVD)

- Public information about open source vulnerabilities is available directly from open source projects
- Security bulletins, release notes, commit comments, and source code comments contain vulnerability information
- This information is readily available to attackers and defenders
- Automated services can crawl this information daily. Security analysts can perform quality review, and compile augmented DB.

Percentage of vulnerabilities not in the NVD – 31%

Language	CVE	Reserved CVE	SVE	% SVE Low	% SVE High
JS	604	47	490	42.94%	44.79%
PHP	522	14	128	19.28%	19.69%
DOTNET	58	0	1	1.69%	1.69%
JAVA	749	60	335	29.28%	30.90%
RUBY	284	43	268	45.04%	48.55%
PYTHON	389	59	228	33.73%	36.95%
GO	90	5	218	69.65%	70.78%
CPP	193	8	12	5.63%	5.85%
OBJECTIVEC	631	14	9	1.38%	1.41%
CSHARP	33	3	0	0.00%	0.00%
	3553	253	1689	30.74%	32.22%

% SVE Low assumes reserved CVEs overlap with SVEs

% SVE High assumes reserved CVEs do not overlap with SVEs

**Do I need to remediate every
vulnerable component?**



Component Vulnerability Exploitability

- A product is vulnerable when it contains a vulnerable component **and** the product uses the library in such a way that the vulnerable code can be exercised.
- Control flow analysis was used determine if vulnerable code is reachable from the product code.
- Analysis was not performed to determine if vulnerable code can be called directly by attacker or called when attacker has exploited another vulnerability.

For Java, Ruby and Python, less than 5% of products that contain a library with a vulnerability are vulnerable

	repos analyzed	% component vulnerabilities that make the products vulnerable
Ruby	624	3.79%
Java	5897	4.34%
Python	624	0.93%

JavaScript study found 26.7% made products vulnerable

Towards Smoother Library Migrations: A Look at Vulnerable Dependency Migrations at Function Level for npm JavaScript Packages

<http://se-naist.jp/pman3/pman3.cgi?DOWNLOAD=652>

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What does a good process look like?



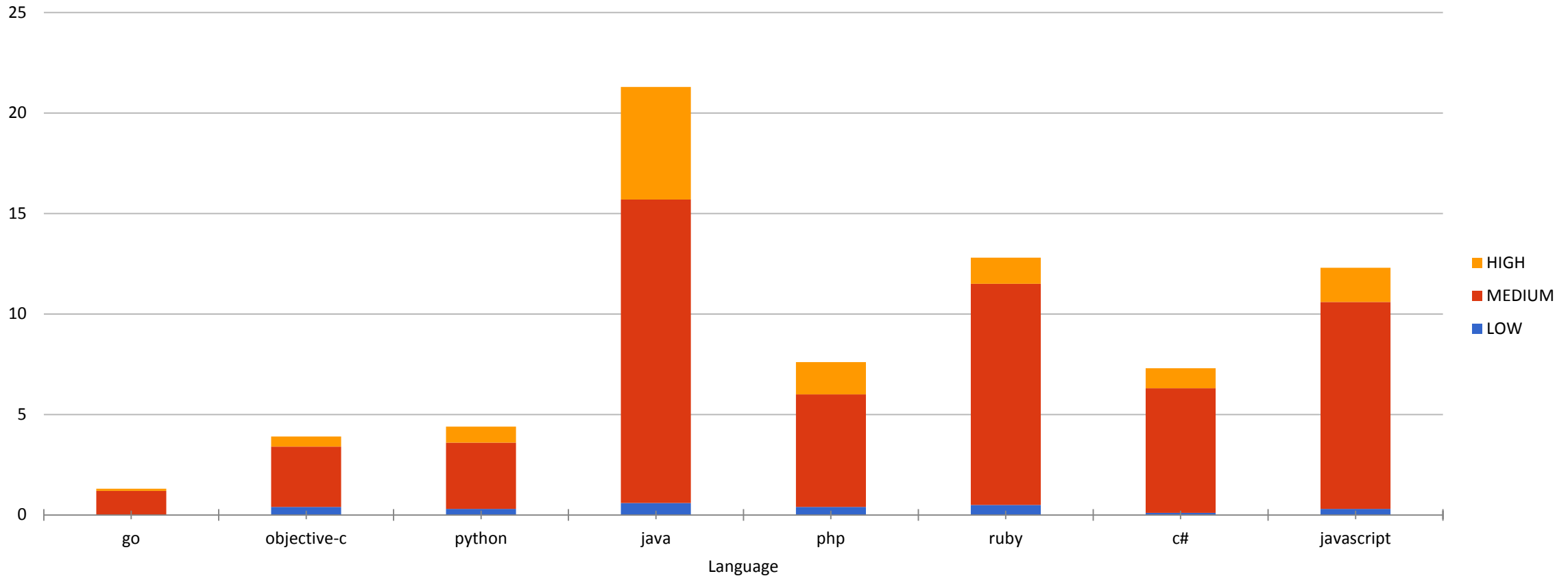
Building a solution into your development lifecycle.

- Integrate into your CI/CD pipeline so you have a record of what goes into production.
- Scanning your repos is OK but pipeline could apt-get update to a vulnerable version.
- Open tickets in your ticketing system for each component that should be updated.
- Create a policy of grace period by severity and vulnerability.

How much risk are organizations finding from open source components

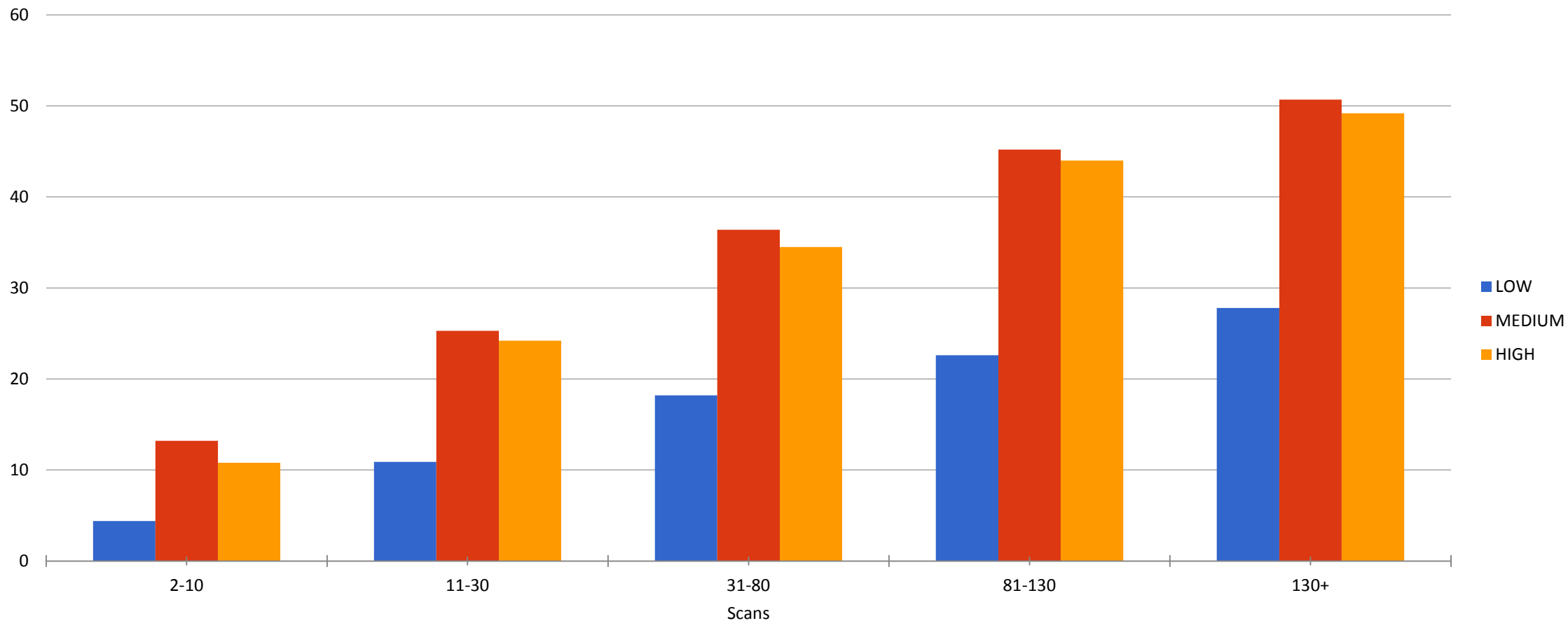
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Average vulns per app



How much risk are organizations remediating?

Fix percentages by number of scans



What if we know the component with a vulnerability is making my app vulnerable right now?

Avg # of scans to fix a vulnerable component: **22**

Avg # of scans to fix a vulnerable component with a vulnerable method: **17**

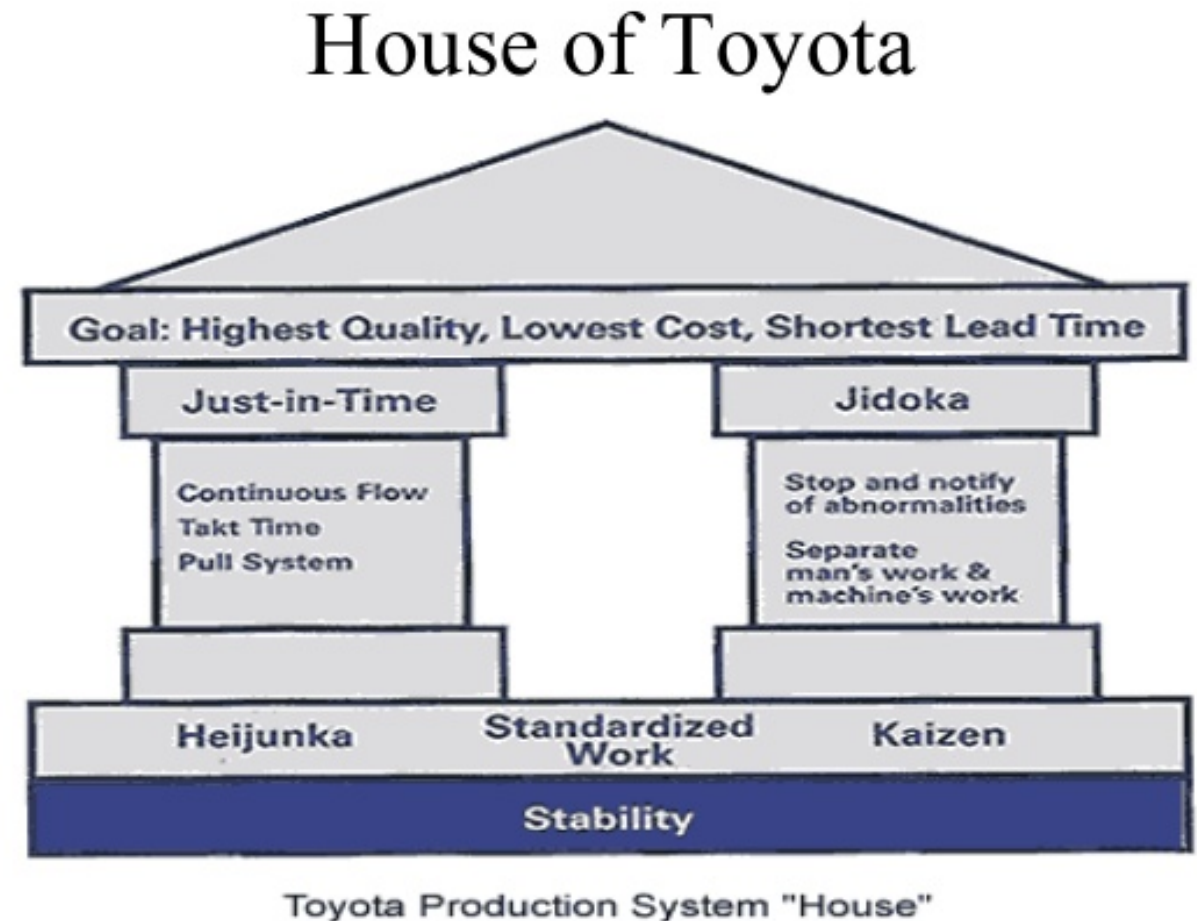
Proportion of vulnerable components fixed: **32%**

Proportion of vulnerable components with vulnerable methods fixed: **41%**

Developers **fix more** and **fix faster** when they have vulnerable method information available.

Use fewer, better suppliers

- Toyota's lean manufacturing model uses fewer, better suppliers
- Use containers, libraries and frameworks that are proven to work and vetted by your security team and in your repository
- Keep track of what you have!



Apply What You Have Learned Today

- Next week you should:
 - Understand the process for managing open source code within your development organization
- In the first three months following this presentation you should:
 - Create an inventory of open source code
 - Remediate where outdated and vulnerable open source is used in critical applications
- Within six months you should:
 - Integrate a process into your development lifecycle to monitor what open source is going into production

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Questions?

Thank You!

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