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# Intro to Kubernetes Runtime Security

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# **Shift Left & Shield Right**



Compliance (PCI, NIST, SOC 2 and others)



# **OWASP Kubernetes Top 10**



K01 - Insecure Workload Configurations

- K02 Supply Chain Vulnerabilities
- K03 Overly Permissive RBAC
- K04 Policy Enforcement
- K05 Inadequate Logging
- K06 Broken Authentication
- K07 Network Segmentation
- K08 Secret Management
- K09 Misconfigured Cluster Components
- K10 Vulnerable K8s Components



### **Containers are NOT...**



#### Containers ARE:

- A group of processes running on the same host, sharing the same host kernel
- Isolation of these processes are facilitated by native Linux capabilities
  - cgroups
  - namespaces
- Attackers use many of the same methodologies to create container escape and access other resources on the host



# **Unique Problems - Real World Insights**



#### Containers are ephemeral by nature



# Companies are having trouble keeping pace with the vulnerability landscape



#### Supply Chain injection is target rich





## **Once, There was a Perimeter**

# You had a perimeter guarded by a firewall

# **Detecting intrusions** was your breach indicator







# Now, There is No Perimeter in the Cloud



Cloud providers own external connections



Cloud is exposed to the outside world

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You need to control access to services your team uses



You need to detect unusual activity





# Without a Perimeter, a Security Camera is More Important than a Good Lock



Watch for changes that create security gaps



Identify intruders and suspicious insider behavior









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**The Security Camera for Modern Apps** 



- Runtime security engine
- Observability for endpoints and cloud infrastructure
- Built on eBPF
- Integrated with Kubernetes



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#### **Introducing Falco**







<pre>- macro: create_symlink</pre>				
Falco rule engine				
<pre>Feb 21 13:04:32 ubuntu-2004 falco: 13:04:32.460103947: Warning Symlinks created over sensitive files (user=root user_loginuid=-1 command= ln sf /etc/shadow /tmp/marcel pid=1950 target=/etc/shadow linkpath=/tmp/marcel parent_process=create_symlink_)</pre>				
<pre>- rule: Create Symlink Over Sensitive Files desc: Detect symlink created over sensitive files condition: &gt;     create_symlink and     (evt.arg.target in \$ensitive_file_names) or evt.arg.target in \$ensitive_directory_names)) output: &gt;     Symlinks created over sensitive files (user=%user.name user_loginuid=%user.loginuid command=%proc.cmdline pid=%proc.pid target=%evt.arg.target linkpath=%evt.arg.linkpath parent_process=%proc.pname) priority: WARNING tags: [host, container, filesystem, mitre_exfiltration, mitre_credential_access, T1020, T1083, T1212, T1552, T1555]</pre>				
- list: sensitive_file_names items: [/etc/shadow, /etc/sudoers, /etc/pam.conf, /etc/security/pwquality.conf]	sdia			

#### Common Examples

A shell is run in a container	container.id != host and proc.name = bash
Overwrite system binaries	fd.directory in (/bin, /sbin, /usr/bin, /usr/sbin) and write
Container namespace change	evt.type = setns and not proc.name in (docker, sysdig)
Non-device files written in /dev	(evt.type = create or evt.arg.flags contains O_CREAT) and proc.name != blkid and fd.directory = /dev and fd.name != /dev/null
Process tries to access camera	evt.type = open and fd.name = /dev/video0 and not proc.name in (skype, webex)



#### **Popular Falco Rules**

#### **Best practices**

Update packages Modify /bin /usr Write below /etc Read sensitive file DB spawned proc Change namespace Privileged container Sensitive mount Privileged shell Terminal shell

Compliance	Vulnerabilities	Cloud Native Stack
FIM (File Integrity)	CVE-2019-11246	K8s control plane
Privileged pod	kubectl cp	Nginx
ConfigMap creds		Elasticsearch
kubectl exec/attach	CVE-2019-5736	Redis
Role changes audit	runc breakout	НАргоху
PCI		Rook
NIST	CVE-2020-14386	MongoDB
	container escape	PostgreSQL

#### .....

2022-04-07T12:51:08: Notice A shell was spawned in a container with an attached terminal (user=root user\_loginuid=-1 elastic\_borg (id=a10bd3b1b2a8) shell=bash parent=<NA> cmdline=bash terminal=34816 container\_id=a10bd3b1b2a8 image=ubuntu) 2022-04-07T12:51:41: Warning Netcat runs inside container that allows remote code execution (user=root user\_loginuid=-1 command=nc -e container\_id=a10bd3b1b2a8 container\_name=elastic\_borg image=ubuntu:latest)



- Falco In Flight
- Falco Sidekick



### **Beyond system calls and containers**

### Plugins are dynamic shared libraries which allow Falco to collect and extract fields from streams of events















### **Users and builders**



### Resources



Get started at Falco.org

Check out the Falco project in Github (

Get involved in the Falco community

Meet the maintainers on the Falco Slack

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### Questions





**Seeing is Securing** 

# **Open Source Drives Effective Cloud Security**

- Collaborative development goes broad and deep
- Standards-based development promotes choice
- Open source is transparent
- Modern platforms are build on open source

The Future of Security is Open



### **The Falco Sensor**



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