

# **O**pen **P**olicy **A**gent

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# Example: Ansible

```
- name: TCP open port violation
  ansible.builtin.debug:
    msg: TCP port {{ item.port }} by pid {{ item.pid }} violates the list of open ports
  vars:
    tcp_listen_violations: >
      "{{ ansible_facts.tcp_listen | selectattr('port', 'in', tcp_list) | list }}"
    tcp_list:
      - 22
      - 25
  loop: "{{ tcp_listen_violations }}"
```



# **Decouple** policy from change control or application

**Run policies constantly**

# Manage **as code**

**Gain *insights* into policy state**

# **PS: Compliance & audits**

# Why?

**Security incidents come in three levels**

**FYI, WTF, and OMG**

**Learn about a breach**

**From the **press** or **users****

**Learn about a breach**

**Attackers asking for a ransom**

**Learn about a breach**

**Cloud provider's bill**

**Learn about a breach**

**Yourself after the fact**

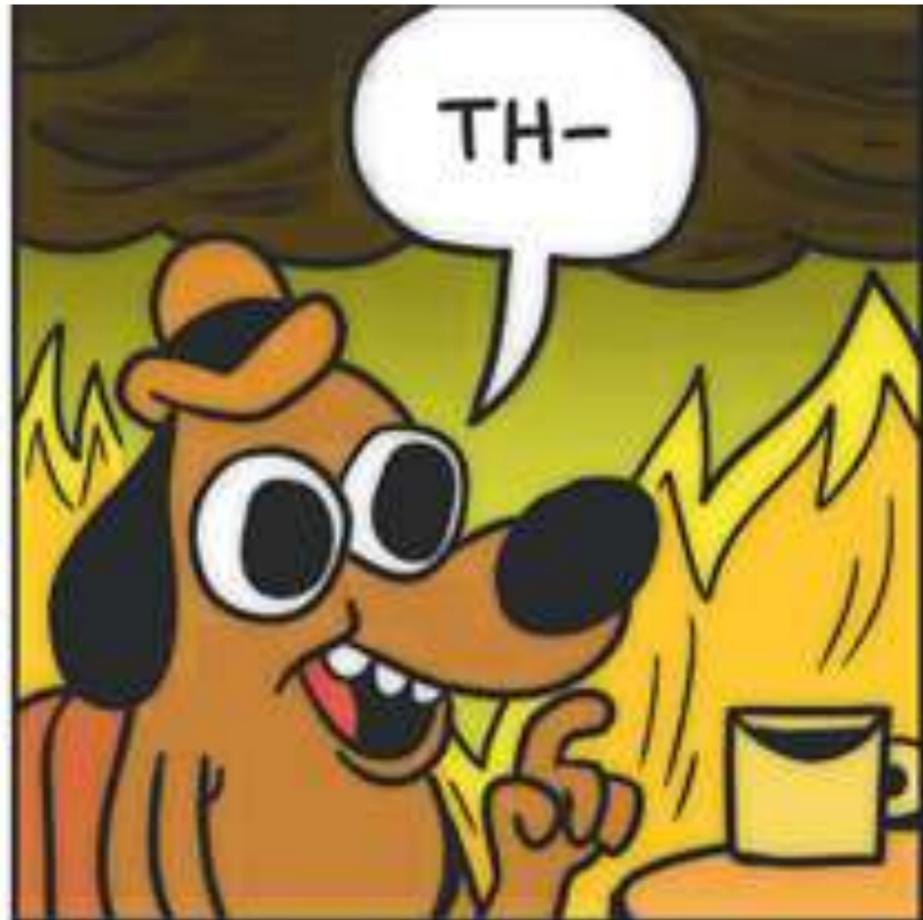
**Learn about a breach**

**Yourself & you can prove no harm**

**Find security holes**

**Yourself before** harm can happen

**Tribal knowledge != security**



**No silver bullet** 🖱️

# **Open Policy Agent**

**Started 2016**

**CNCF graduate**

**Widely used: Netflix, Cloudflare,...**



argo

Continuous Integration & Delivery



cilium

Cloud Native Network



containerd

Container Runtime



CoreDNS

Coordination & Service Discovery



cri-o

Container Runtime



envoy

Service Proxy



etcd

Coordination & Service Discovery



fluentd

Logging



flux

Continuous Integration & Delivery



HARBOR

Container Registry



Application Definition & Image Build



Istio

Service Mesh



JAEGER

Tracing



Scheduling & Orchestration



kubernetes

Scheduling & Orchestration



LINKERD

Service Mesh



Open Policy Agent

Security & Compliance



Prometheus

Monitoring



ROOK

Cloud Native Storage



spiffe

Key Management



SPIRE

Key Management



TUF

Security & Compliance



KV

Database

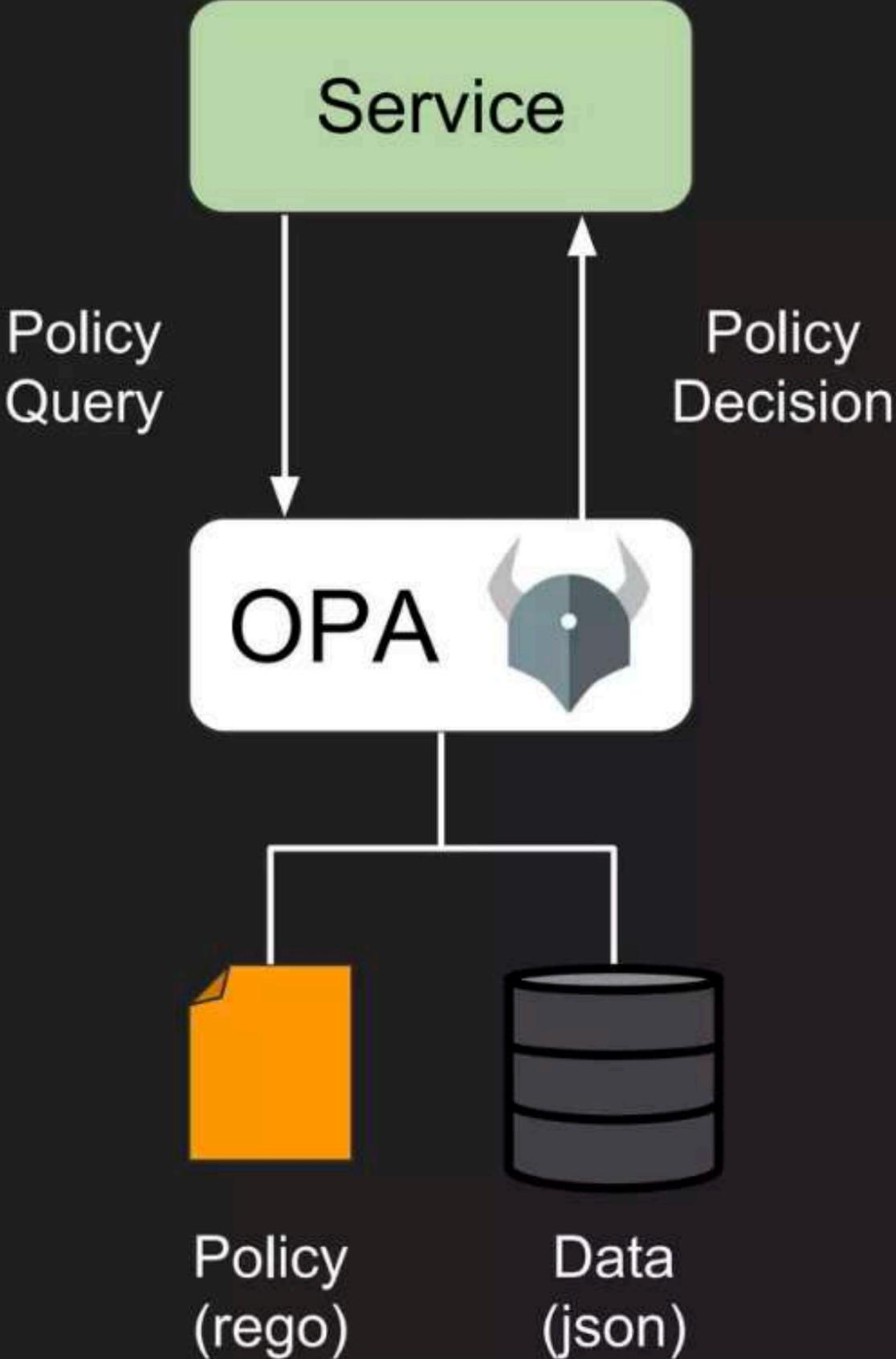


Vitess

Database



# OPA diagram



# Read your own data

## Policy

```
allow = true {  
  input.method = "GET"  
  input.path = ["my-data", employee_id]  
  input.user = employee_id  
}
```

## Input

```
{  
  "method": "GET",  
  "path": ["my-data", "philipp"],  
  "user": "philipp"  
}
```

# Policy

```
package play
```

```
default allow = false
allow = true {
  input.method = "GET"
  input.path = ["my-data", employee_id]
  input.user = employee_id
}
```

# Input

```
{
  "method": "GET",
  "path": ["my-data", "philipp"],
  "user": "peter"
}
```

# Read your employee's data

## Policy

```
allow = true {  
  input.method = "GET"  
  input.path = ["my-data", employee_id]  
  input.user = data.manager_of[employee_id]  
}
```

## Data (in-memory)

```
{  
  "manager_of": {  
    "philipp": "david",  
    "matt": "philipp"  
  }  
}
```

# Example: Kubernetes

```
package kubernetes.admission
```

```
import future.keywords
```

```
deny contains msg if {  
    input.request.kind.kind == "Pod"  
    some container in input.request.object.spec.containers  
    image := container.image  
    not startswith(image, "elastic.co/")  
    msg := sprintf("image '%s' comes from untrusted registry", [image])  
}
```

# Example: Application

```
package application.authz
import future.keywords

default allow := false

allow if {
  input.method == "PUT"
  some petid
  input.path = ["pets", petid]
  input.user == input.owner
}
```

# Example: Door Dash

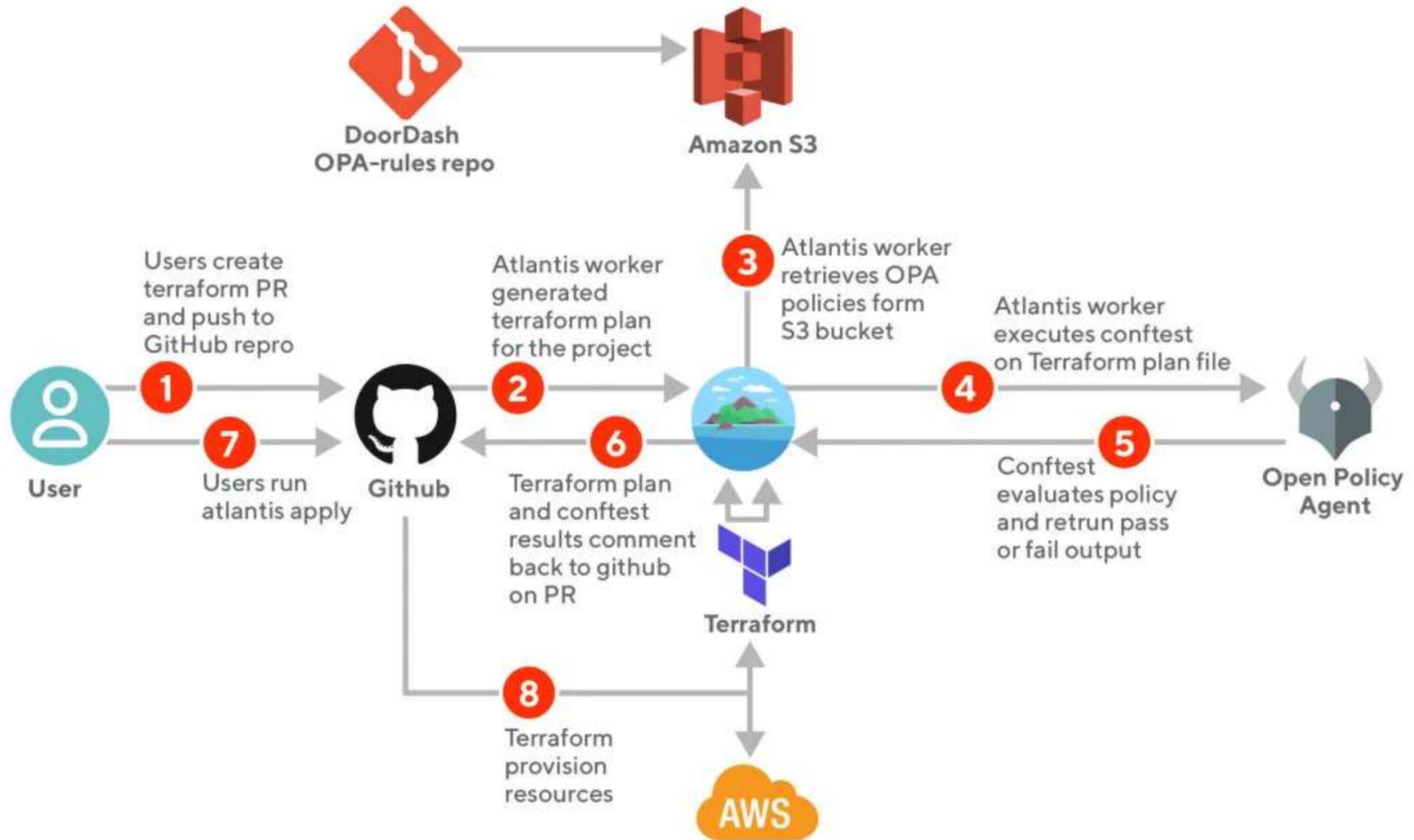
<https://thenewstack.io/how-doordash-governs-its-infrastructure-with-open-policy-agent/>

```
Copy  
Evaluating cloud  
FAIL - /root/atlantis/.atlantis/repos/doordash/default.tfplan.json - Some of the resources actions
```

 **Some checks were not successful** [Hide all checks](#)  
3 failing, 1 pending, and 3 successful checks

  opa/cloud/prod/common/vpc — OPA Policy Check Status for cloud - see details in plan output

*Recipe 2. Require security review for security groups with port 22 (SSH) without source restrictions.*



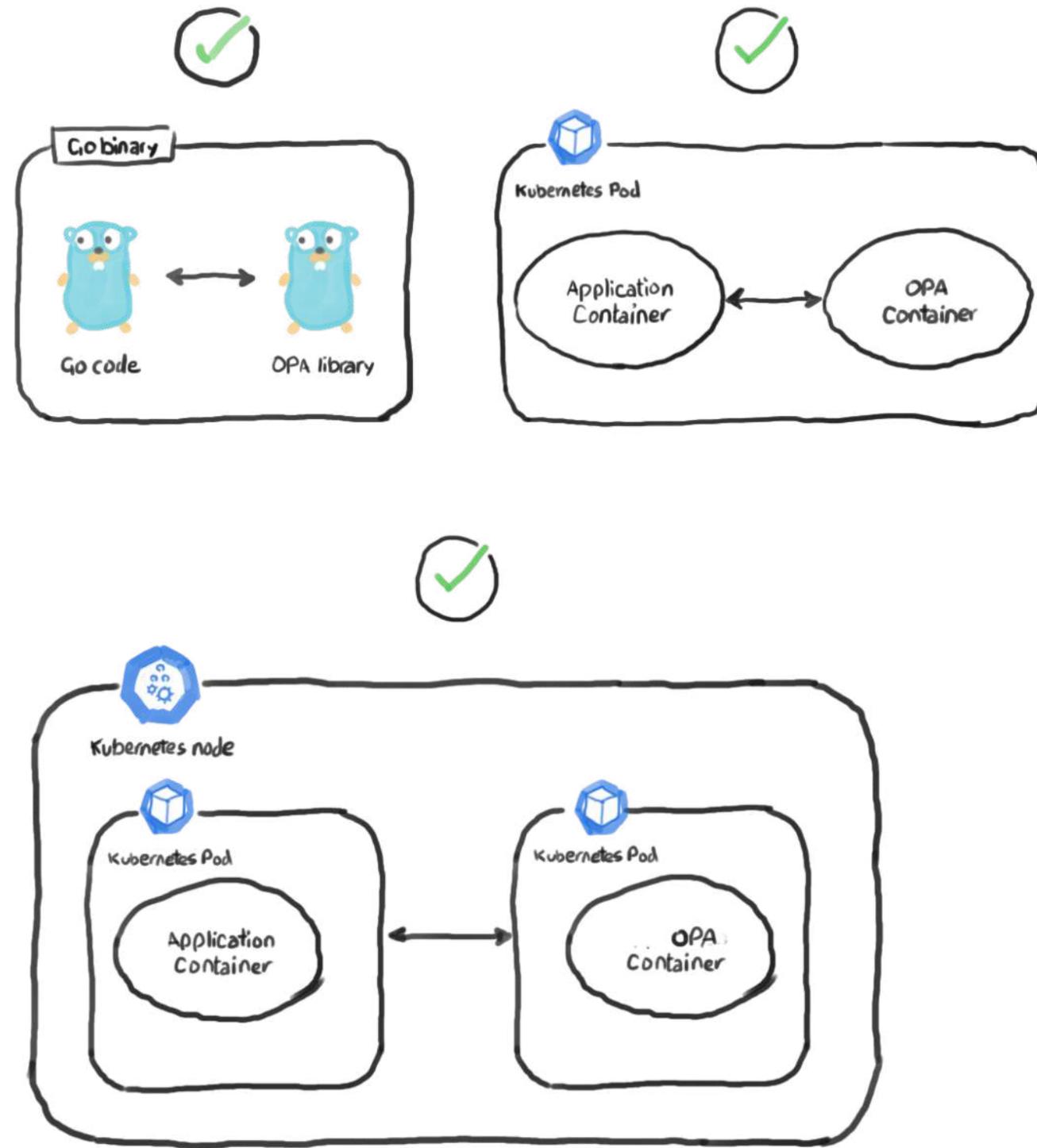
# Getting started

**<https://play.openpolicyagent.org>**

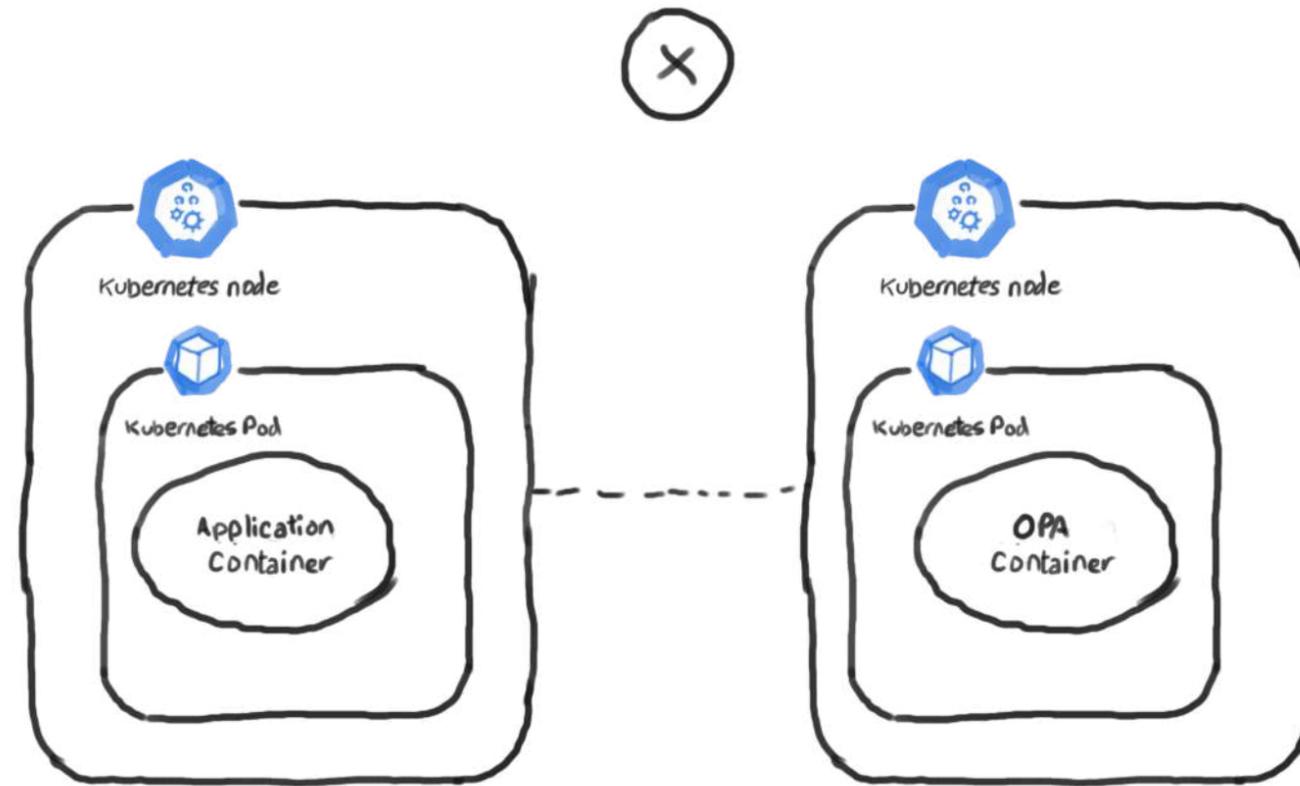
# Deployment Options

**Go library**

**Daemon (co-located)**



<https://www.weave.works/blog/introducing-policy-as-code-the-open-policy-agent-opa>



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elastic

**Developer** 🥑

# Why does Elastic care?

# Devs: Data filtering with OPA

**[https://github.com/open-policy-agent/contrib/tree/main/data\\_filter\\_elasticsearch](https://github.com/open-policy-agent/contrib/tree/main/data_filter_elasticsearch)**

# Ops: Checking infrastructure



# Kubernetes

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# Load OPA bundle from FS #380

Code

Merged uri-weisman merged 29 commits into elastic:main from uri-weisman:fs\_bundle on Sep 17, 2022

Conversation 18 Commits 29 Checks 49 Files changed 13 +102 -383

uri-weisman commented on Sep 8, 2022 • edited

1. Release - package opa bundle with cloudbeat.
2. Load opa bundle from FS and remove bundle-server logic.
3. Update CI.

- [CSP Rules] Cloudbeat consumption of bundle from FS security-team#4496

- Reviewers
- DaveSys911 ✓
  - eyalkraft
  - csp-automation
  - gurevichdmitry

- Assignees
- uri-weisman

- Labels
- 8.5 candidate
  - backport-skip
  - Team:Cloud Security

- Projects
- None yet

- Milestone
- No milestone

uri-weisman added 2 commits 5 months ago

- load from fs works f7b3bfc
- delete bundle test f3ba1ce

uri-weisman added 8.5 candidate Team:Cloud Security labels on Sep 8, 2022

mergify bot assigned uri-weisman on Sep 8, 2022

mergify bot commented on Sep 8, 2022

# <https://github.com/elastic/csp-security-policies>

## Cloud Security Posture - Rego policies

CIS Kubernetes (74%) CIS Amazon EKS (60%) aws CIS AWS (70%)

coverage 99.25

► Project structure

### Local Evaluation

input.json

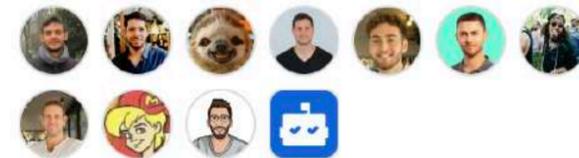
should contain a beat/agent output and the `benchmark` (not mandatory - without specifying benchmark all benchmarks will apply), e.g. k8s eks aws

```
{
  "type": "file",
  "benchmark": "cis_k8s",
  "sub_type": "file",
  "resource": {
    "mode": "700",
    "path": "/hostfs/etc/kubernetes/manifests/kube-apiserver.yaml",
    "owner": "etc",
    "group": "root",
    "name": "kube-apiserver.yaml",
    "gid": 20,
    "uid": 501
  }
}
```

Used by 6



Contributors 13



+ 2 contributors

### Languages





# Cloud Posture

BETA

## Cloud Posture Score



# 86%

326/378 Findings passed



## Failed Findings

CIS Section	Findings
Pod Security Standards	23/90
API Server	12/28
RBAC and Service Accou...	9/184
Kubelet	4/13
Controller Manager	2/6

[View all failed findings](#)

## Open Cases



Coming soon

CIS Kubernetes V1.23  
Cluster ID 4d43fe

4 hours ago



## Compliance Score



# 86%

326/378 Findings passed



## Failed Findings

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cluster\_id: "4d43fe71-fa75-44cd-8e25-4fc473bdfae8" and rule.section: "Pod

# Findings

BETA

Group by None

Showing 1-10 of 23 Findings

Resource ID ?	Result	Resource Type	Resource Name	Rule
068ca4b5-d5d...	Fail	Pod	kube-scheduler-...	Minimize
068ca4b5-d5d...	Fail	Pod	kube-scheduler-...	Minimize
875f5ace-734...	Fail	Pod	kindnet-5kshf	Minimize
875f5ace-734...	Fail	Pod	kindnet-5kshf	Minimize
875f5ace-734...	Fail	Pod	kindnet-5kshf	Minimize
01bbabd9-528...	Fail	Pod	kube-apiserver-c...	Minimize
01bbabd9-528...	Fail	Pod	kube-apiserver-c...	Minimize
49fc748f-ac9e...	Fail	Pod	local-path-provis...	Minimize

## Fail Minimize the admission of containers with t...

Overview Rule Resource JSON

### Details

#### Rule Name

Minimize the admission of containers with the NET\_RAW capability (Automated)

#### Rule Tags

CIS Kubernetes CIS 5.2.8 Pod Security Standards

#### Evaluated at

January 20, 2023 @ 11:11:33.694

#### Resource Name

kube-apiserver-cspm-control-plane

#### Framework Sources



#### CIS Section

Pod Security Standards

#### Index

logs-cloud\_security\_posture.findings\_latest-default

### Remediation

**DEBUG AND  
IMPROVE PERFORMANCE  
OF REGO CODE**

*Let's go in and out. 20 minute adventure.*



# **AWS, GCP, Azure & Kubernetes supported**

**No custom rules (yet)**

# Improve process evaluation performance #137

Edit

<> Code ▾

Merged

jeniawhite merged 1 commit into `elastic:main` from `jeniawhite:evgb-RegoPerformance` on Nov 15, 2022

Conversation 4

Commits 1

Checks 2

Files changed 79

+1,220 -952



jeniawhite commented on Nov 9, 2022 · edited ▾

Member



Changed parsing logic of process arguments and improved evaluation time for process resources by ~3.23x (faster).  
Prior to change:

```
"timer_rego_query_eval_ns": 47741250
```

After the change:

```
"timer_rego_query_eval_ns": 14774584
```

- [Policy performance degradation #134](#)



jeniawhite requested a review from `elastic/csp-security-policies` as a code owner 4 months ago

Reviewers

oren-zohar

Still in progress? [Learn about draft PRs](#)

Assignees

No one—assign yourself

Labels

None yet

Projects

None yet

Milestone

No milestone

# Conclusion

# Application: Why not?

# Change management: Why not?

# OPA: Why?

# OPA: Why **not**?

# How to express OR in Rego



Anders Eknert

🕒 10 min read **Published** September 21, 2023

One of the most common questions people new to Open Policy Agent (OPA) and Rego ask is about how to express logical “OR” in the language. While there is no “OR” operator, Rego has no shortage of ways to express that, with some being more obvious than others. In this blog, we’ll take a look at the most common ways to express OR, and weigh the virtues of each method against the others. Hopefully you’ll learn a few tricks along the way. One thing is certain – if you make it through to the end, there’s no way you’ll wonder how to express OR in Rego!

**<https://www.styra.com/blog/how-to-express-or-in-rego/>**

# Tradeoff

**limited vs complex**

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