Security Content Automation Protocol

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Agenda

- Challenges
- SCAP
- Use cases
- Open-scap library
- OVAL
- Future



Challenges

- Number and variety of systems
- Quick response
- Lack of interoperability

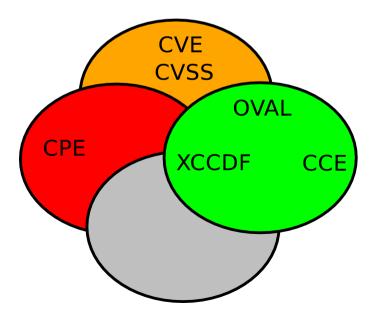


What is SCAP?

How

Standardizing the format by which we communicate

Protocol



What

Standardizing the information we communicate

Content



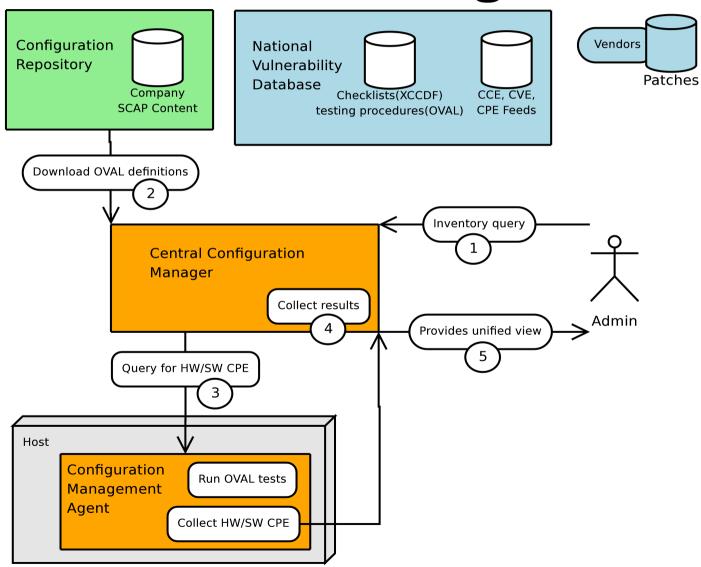


Protocol

| SCAP Component | Description | Organization |
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| Enumerations | | |
| Common Configuration Enumeration (CCE) | Terminology and dictionary of system security issues | MITRE Corporation |
| Common Platform Enumeration (CPE) | Terminology and dictionary of product names and versions | MITRE Corporation |
| Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures (CVE) | Terminology and dictionary of security related software flaws | MITRE Corporation |
| Vulnerability Measurement and Scoring | | |
| Common Vulnerability Scoring System (CVSS) | Specification for measuring the relative severity of software flaw vulnerabilities | • |
| Expression and Checking Languages | | |
| Extensible Configuration Checklist Description Format (XCCDF) | Language for specifying checklists and reporting checklist results | National Security Agency (NSA) and NIST |
| Open Vulnerability and Assessment Language (OVAL) | Language for specifying low-level testing procedures used by checklists | MITRE Corporation |

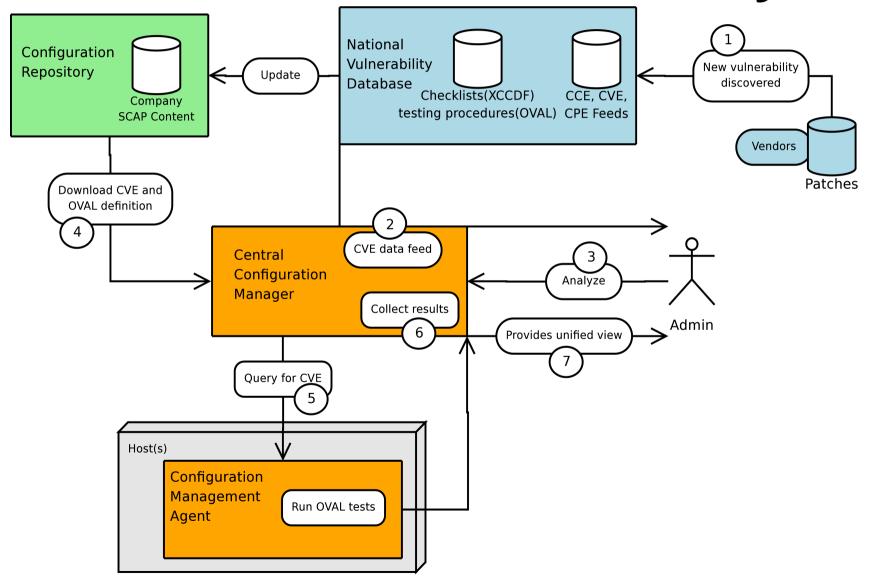


Use case – Asset mngt.



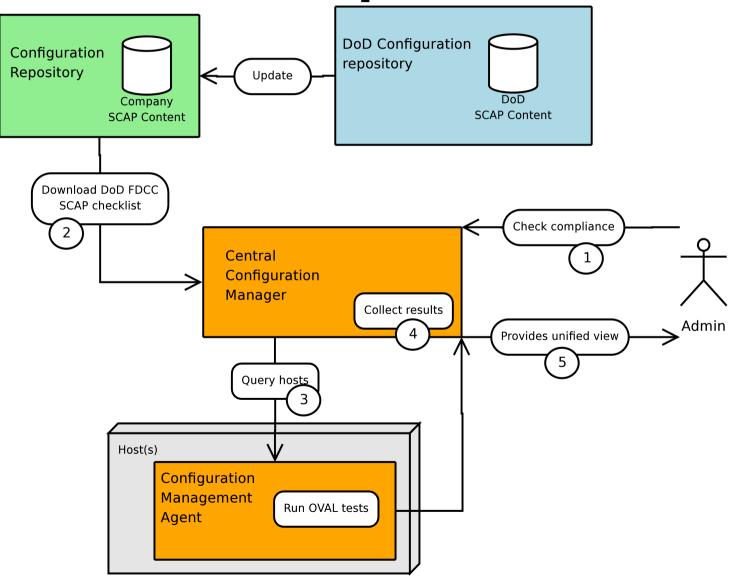


Use case – New vulnerability





Use case – Compliance check





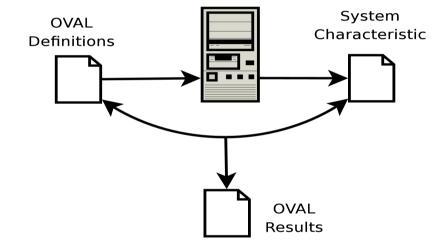
Open-scap library

- Open-source framework
- Security technologies + G2
- Web: http://www.open-scap.org
- Email: open-scap-list@redhat.com
- What we have: Enumerations + Scoring + Checklist
- What we do: Checking language

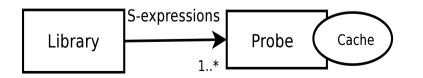


OVAL design

How it works?



Probes:





Future

- Milestones:
 - System characteristic (1 week)
 - References + set objects (2 weeks)
 - Refactoring
 - Oval results
- Local scanning tool
- Content Editor
- Remediation language + Lockdown tool
- http://scap.nist.gov/emerging-specs/listing.html



Links

- http://makingsecuritymeasurable.mitre.org
- http://oval.mitre.org
- http://nvd.nist.gov
- http://scap.nist.gov



Questions?