LFN Mentorship Project Presentation

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Introduction

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Currently in:



- University: Queen's University, Ontario Canada
- Mentor(s): Amy Zwarico, Pierre Close, Christophe Closset & Ofir Sonsino
- > **LFN Project:** ONAP Security Requirements SDC

> Project Description:

- > This project focuses on addressing the remaining Security requirements defined by the ONAP SECCOM Community based on SDC JIRA Backlog.
- > The priority will be given to Upgrade maven direct dependencies to more recent versions, so they don't include **security vulnerabilities**

Technologies, frameworks and tools:

-) Java
- Maven
- Third-party packages: log4j, jackson,, netty-all, testing, snakeyaml,...

- **Project Deliverables:**
- Implement the required updates (Direct dependencies with CVE, Junit4→Junit5, Java II upgrade)
- 2. Implement any required code modifications due to the upgrade
- 3. Fix security tickets and OJSI*

* OJSI: ONAP JIRA Security Issues



Project Execution & Accomplishments:

Task	Status
Set up SDC local development environment and run Sanity tests. Get familiar with SDC components and understand the interaction among them	Done
Upgrade maven dependencies to more recent versions so they don't include security vulnerabilities	Partially done
Generate certificates with AAF in deploy time and integrate them	X
Getting CII badges (passing/silver/gold)	X
Bounce checking special characters for SDC APIs	X
Upgrade: to Java 11, Junit 4 to 5	X

For most upgrades, I had to understand the intricate details of packages to successfully do the upgrade





Project Execution & Accomplishments:

By generous invitation and support from my mentor **Amy Zwarico** I delivered a presentation during Monday's PTLs meeting to share my findings during packages upgrade process

Project Output or Results:

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- https://gerrit.onap.org/r/c/sdc/+/111071 [Netty-all, togglz-console, commons-beanutils & testng]
- https://gerrit.onap.org/r/c/sdc/+/114368 [snakeyaml]



- Recommendations for future work:
 - Documentation needs improvements and timeliness
 - Code optimization and improvement:
 - Ex: logging
 - This could be enhanced for easier maintenance and upgrade in the future
 - Could be a regular requirement in each release. Exact package or feature(s) to be selected by the TSC

Insights Gained:

- I used to work on big codebase projects (in **IBM** Egypt), but the scale in SDC was slightly bigger
- I get to understand and consume third-party packages, more than I ever had
- Now, I'm more familiar with OSS development lifecycle and tools
- In opensource divers communities, respect and understanding are essential to succeed and improve

Advice to future mentees:

- Stay connected with and seek help from your mentor(s) and community members
- Do your best, work hard, be patient and persistent (specially with Documentation :-)



Next Step(s):

- **Short-term:** will do my best to finish the direct dependency upgrades, time permitting
- Midium-term (summer 2021): Seek a summer internship with a Canadian CSP or vendor (preferably to work on ONAP)
- **Long-term (graduating in fall 2021):** Continue conributing to **ONAP**, witht a career goal to join a CSP or vendor in USA or Canada

