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CISQ Measures of Secure, Resilient Software

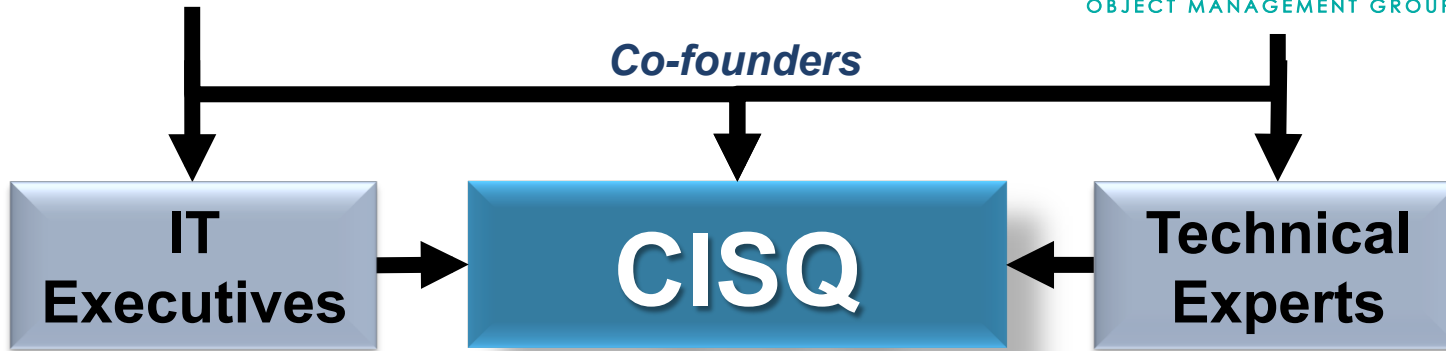
OMG Standards for Software Measurement

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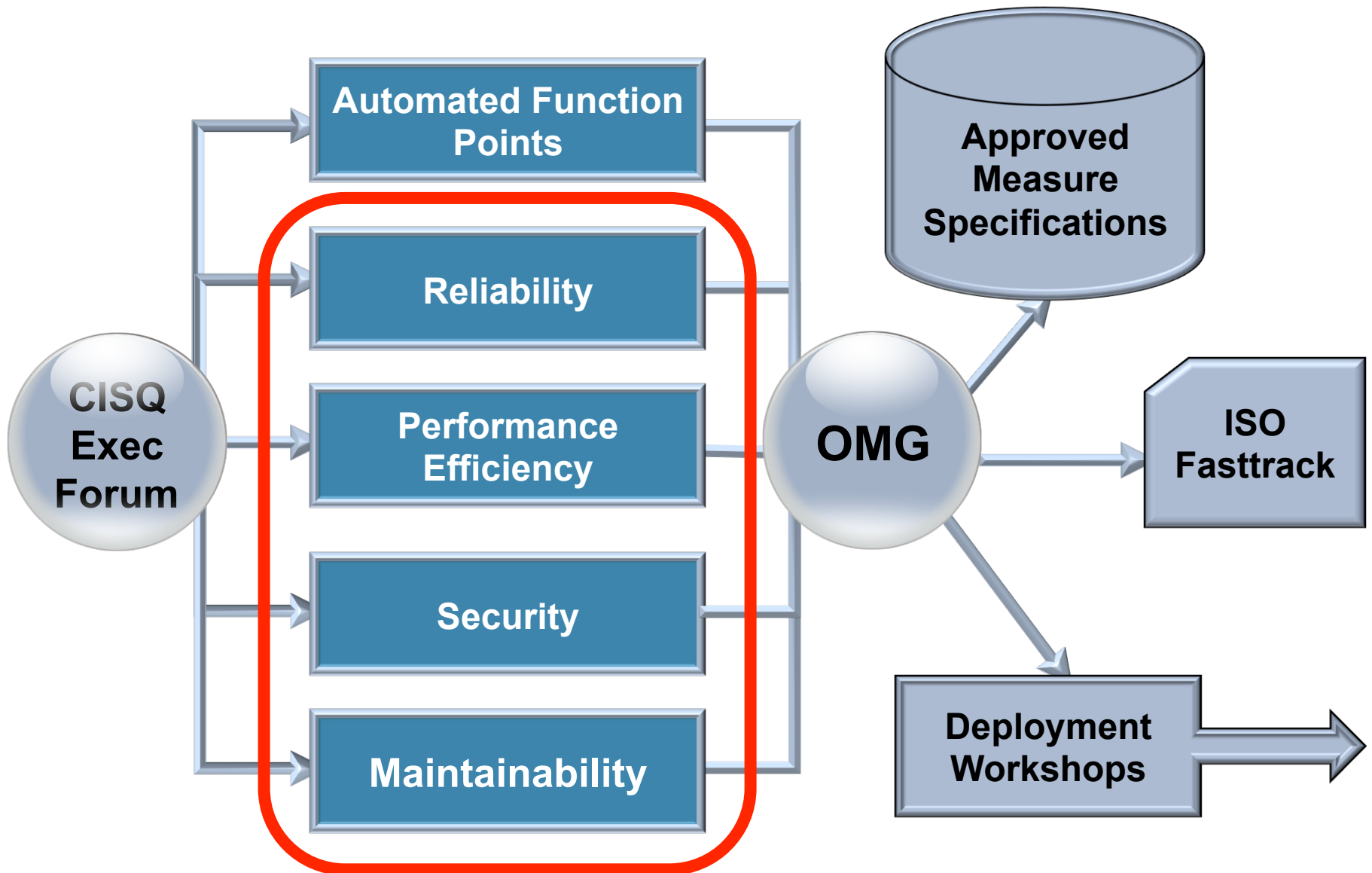
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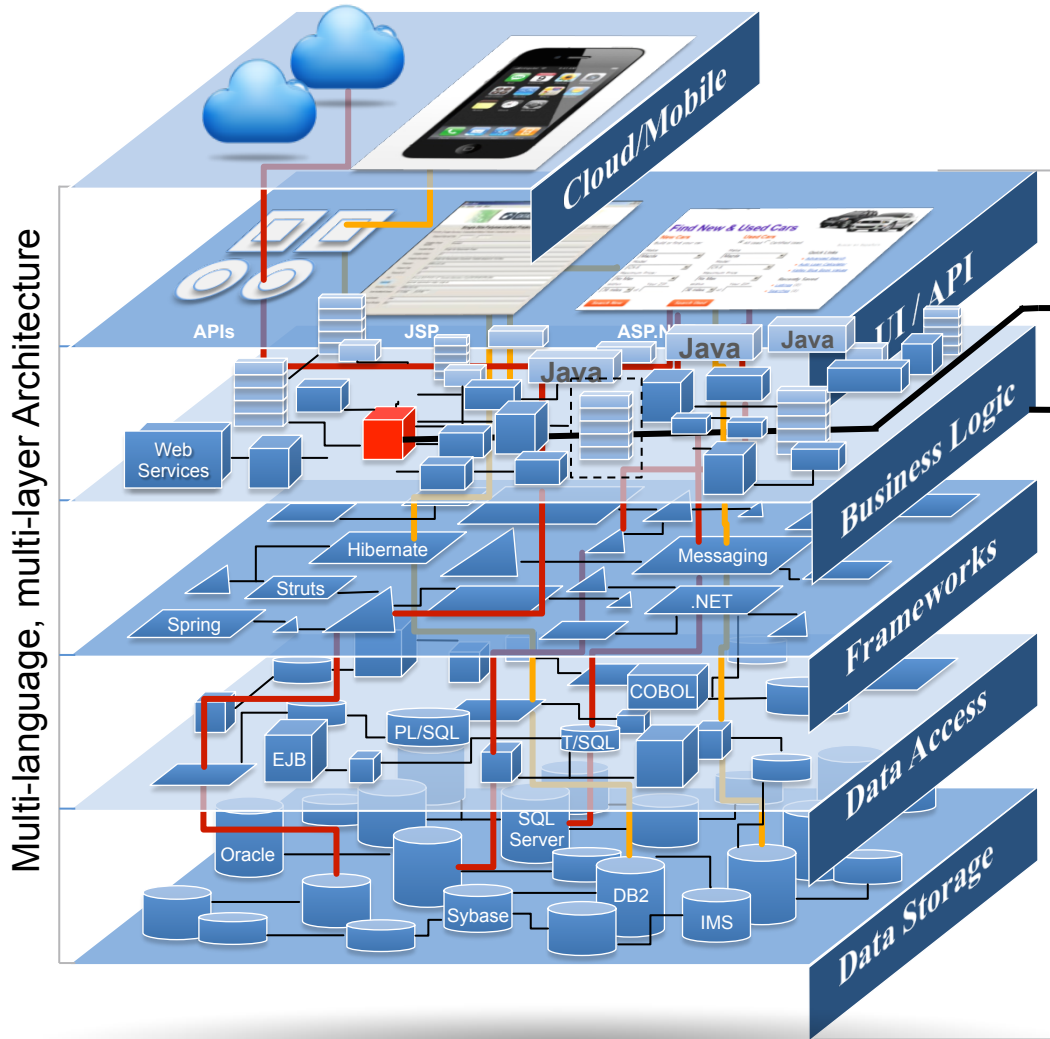


OMG Special Interest Group	CISQ is chartered to define automatable measures of software size and quality that can be measured in the source code, and promote them to become Approved Specifications of the OMG®
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Technology Stack

1 Unit Level

- Code style & layout
- Expression complexity
- Code documentation
- Class or program design
- Basic coding standards
- Developer level

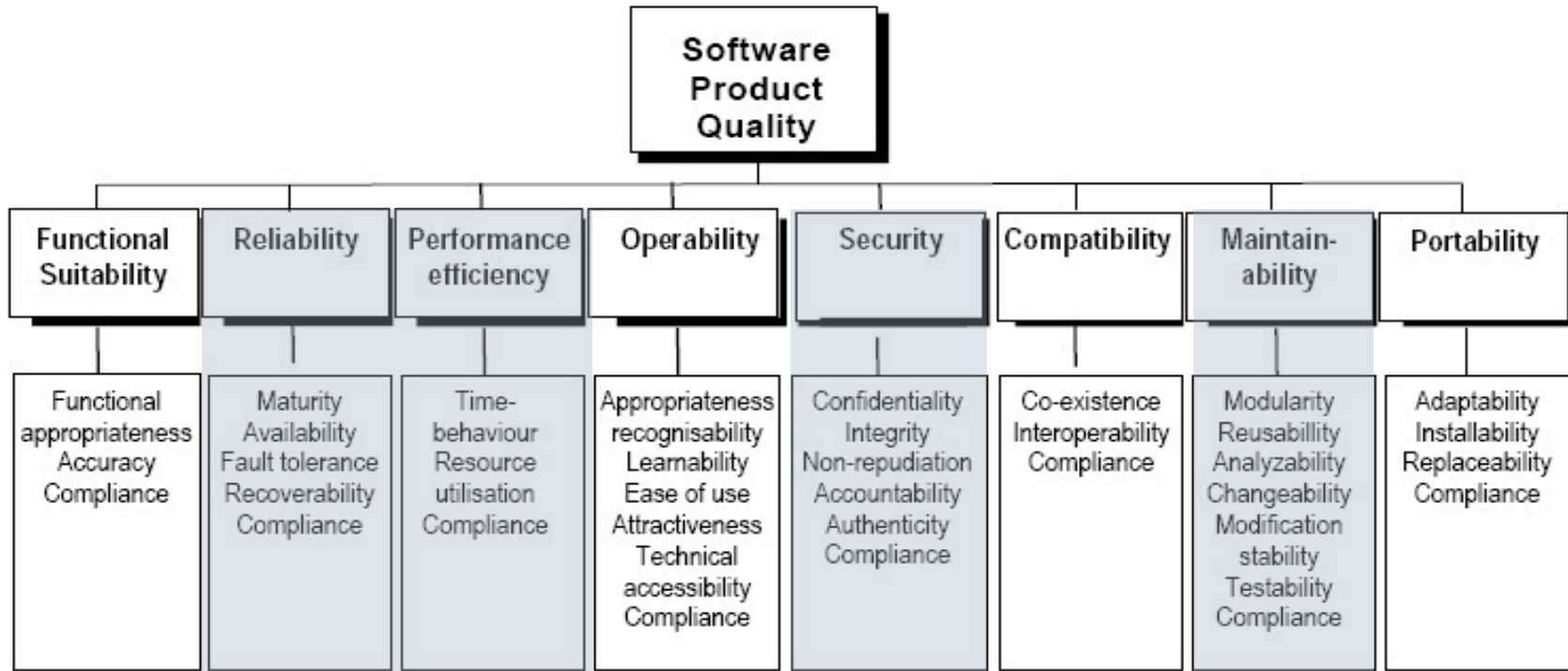
2 Technology Level

- Single language/technology layer
- Intra-technology architecture
- Intra-layer dependencies
- Inter-program invocation
- Security vulnerabilities
- Development team level

3 System Level

▪ Integration quality	▪ Data access control
▪ Architectural compliance	▪ SDK versioning
▪ Risk propagation	▪ Calibration across technologies
▪ Application security	▪ IT organization level
▪ Resiliency checks	
▪ Transaction integrity	
▪ Function point,	
▪ Effort estimation	

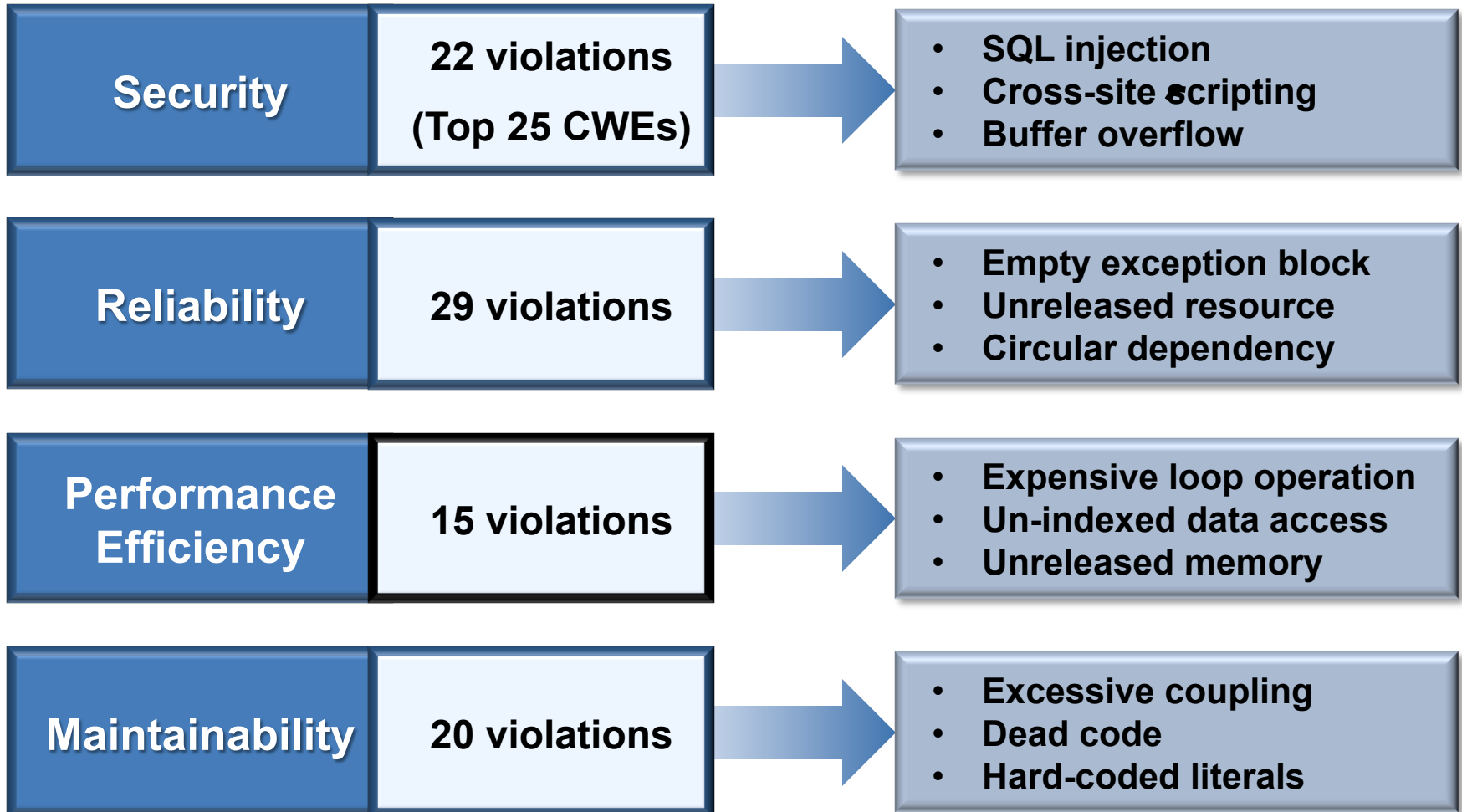
- ISO 25000 series replaces ISO/IEC 9126 (Parts 1-4)
- ISO 25010 defines quality characteristics and sub-characteristics
- CISQ conforms to ISO 25010 quality characteristic definitions
- ISO 25023 defines measures, but not at the source code level
- CISQ supplements ISO 25023 with source code level measures



CISQ defined automatable measures for quality characteristics highlighted in blue

CISQ Quality Characteristic Measures

Example violations of good architectural and coding practice that compose the CISQ measures



- **CWE-22** Path Traversal Improper Input Neutralization
- **CWE-78** OS Command Injection Improper Input Neutralization
- **CWE-79** Cross-site Scripting Improper Input Neutralization
- **CWE-89** SQL Injection Improper Input Neutralization
- **CWE-120** Buffer Copy without Checking Size of Input
- **CWE-129** Array Index Improper Input Neutralization
- **CWE-134** Format String Improper Input Neutralization
- **CWE-252** Unchecked Return Parameter of Control Element Accessing Resource
- **CWE-327** Broken or Risky Cryptographic Algorithm Usage
- **CWE-396** Declaration of Catch for Generic Exception
- **CWE-397** Declaration of Throws for Generic Exception
- **CWE-434** File Upload Improper Input Neutralization
- **CWE-456** Storable and Member Data Element Missing Initialization
- **CWE-606** Unchecked Input for Loop Condition
- **CWE-667** Shared Resource Improper Locking
- **CWE-672** Expired or Released Resource Usage
- **CWE-681** Numeric Types Incorrect Conversion
- **CWE-706** Name or Reference Resolution Improper Input Neutralization
- **CWE-772** Missing Release of Resource after Effective Lifetime
- **CWE-789** Uncontrolled Memory Allocation
- **CWE-798** Hard-Coded Credentials Usage for Remote Authentication
- **CWE-835** Loop with Unreachable Exit Condition ('Infinite Loop')



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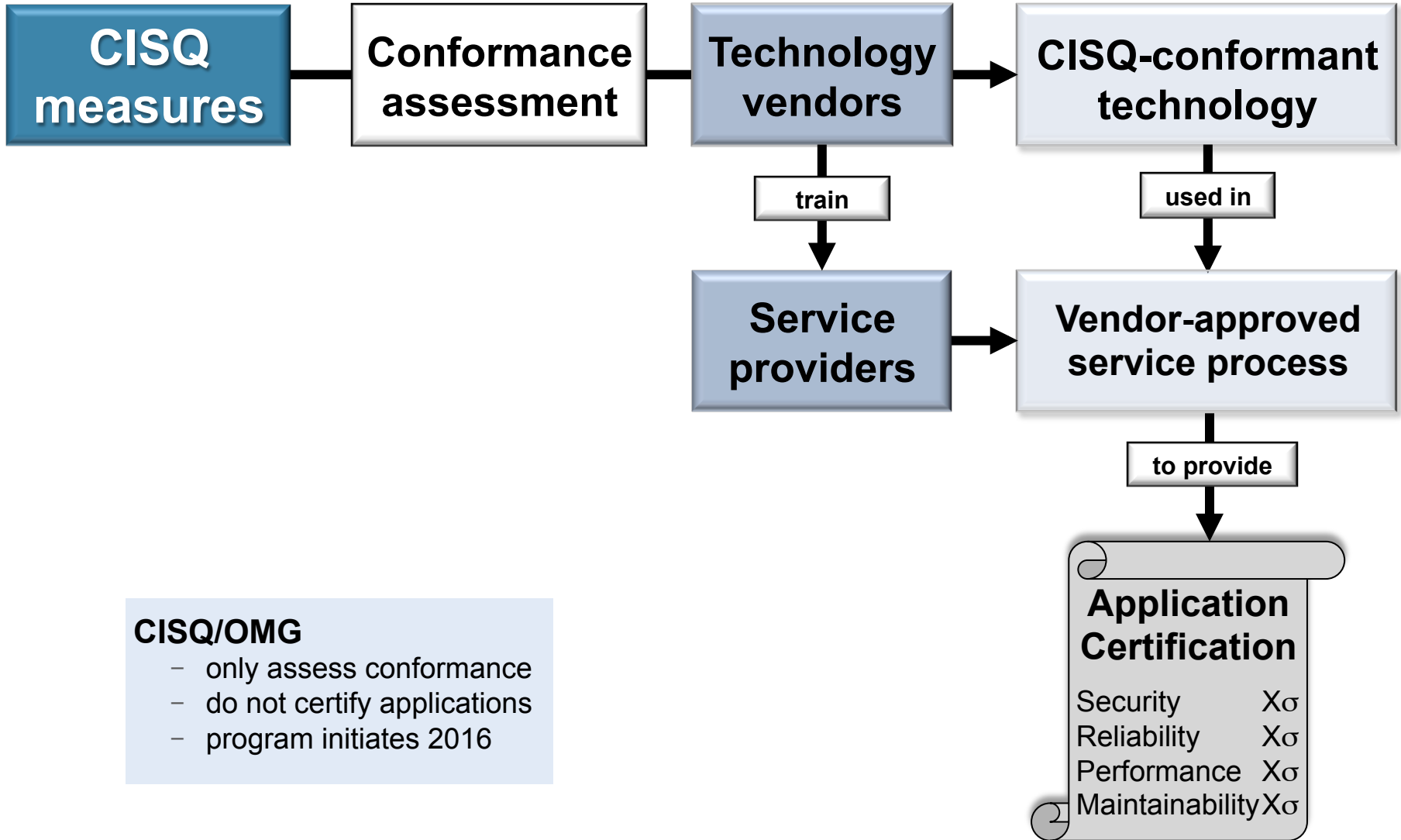
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Weakness
Enumeration**

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Issue	Quality Rule	Quality Measure Element
<p>CWE-79: Improper Neutralization of Input During Web Page Generation ('Cross-site Scripting')</p>	<p>Rule 1: Use a vetted library or framework that does not allow this weakness to occur or provides constructs that make this weakness easier to avoid, such as Microsoft's Anti-XSS library, the OWASP ESAPI Encoding module, and Apache Wicket.</p>	<p>Measure 1: # of instances where output is not using library for neutralization</p>
<p>CWE-89: Improper Neutralization of Special Elements used in an SQL Command ('SQL Injection')</p>	<p>Rule 2: Use a vetted library or framework that does not allow SQL injection to occur or provides constructs that make this SQL injection easier to avoid or use persistence layers such as Hibernate or Enterprise Java Beans.</p>	<p>Measure 2: # of instances where data is included in SQL statements that is not passed through the neutralization routines.</p>



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- only assess conformance
- do not certify applications
- program initiates 2016

Application Certification

Security	Xσ
Reliability	Xσ
Performance	Xσ
Maintainability	Xσ

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