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## C static code analysis

Unique rules to find Bugs, Vulnerabilities, Security Hotspots, and Code Smells in your C code

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"memset" should not be used to delete sensitive data

Vulnerability

POSIX functions should not be called with arguments that trigger buffer overflows

Vulnerability

XML parsers should not be vulnerable to XXE attacks

Vulnerability

Function-like macros should not be invoked without all of their arguments

Bug

The address of an automatic object should not be assigned to another object that may persist after the first object has ceased to exist

Bug

"pthread\_mutex\_t" should be unlocked in the reverse order they were locked

Bug

"pthread\_mutex\_t" should be properly initialized and destroyed

Bug

"pthread\_mutex\_t" should not be consecutively locked or unlocked twice

Bug

Functions with "noreturn" attribute should not return

Bug

"memcpy" should only be called with pointers to trivially copyable types with no padding

Bug

### Conditional operators should not be nested

Analyze your code

Code Smell Major confusing

Just because you *can* do something, doesn't mean you should, and that's the case with nested ternary operations. Nesting ternary operators results in the kind of code that may seem clear as day when you write it, but six months later will leave maintainers (or worse - future you) scratching their heads and cursing.

Instead, err on the side of clarity, and use another line to express the nested operation as a separate statement.

#### Noncompliant Code Example

```
int max(int p1, int p2, int p3) {
    return p1 > p2 ? (p1 > p3 ? p1 : p3) : (p2 > p3 ? p2 : p3);
}
```

#### Compliant Solution

```
int max(int p1, int p2, int p3) {
    if (p1 > p2) {
        return p1 > p3 ? p1 : p3;
    } else {
        return p2 > p3 ? p2 : p3;
    }
}
```

#### Exceptions

For C++11 mode only, the issue is not raised for ternary operators used inside `constexpr` functions. In C++11 such functions are limited to just a return statement, so the use of a ternary operator is required in them. This restriction is lifted in later standards, and thus issues are raised.

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Stack allocated memory and non-owned memory should not be freed

 Bug

Closed resources should not be accessed

 Bug

Dynamically allocated memory should be released

 Bug

Freed memory should not be used