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Objective C static code analysis

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

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

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

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

General "catch" clauses should not be used

Analyze your code

Code Smell | Minor | error-handling

A general `catch` block seems like an efficient way to handle multiple possible exceptions. Unfortunately, it traps all exception types, casting too broad a net, and perhaps mishandling extraordinary cases. Instead, specific exception sub-types should be caught.

Noncompliant Code Example

```
try {
  file.open("test.txt");
} catch (...) {  // Noncompliant
  // ...
}
```

Compliant Solution

```
try {
  file.open("test.txt");
} catch (std::ifstream::failure e) {
  // ...
}
```

Exceptions

There are cases though where you want to catch all exceptions, because no exceptions should be allowed to escape the function, and generic `catch` handlers are excluded from the rule:

- In the main function
- In a class destructor
- In a `noexcept` function
- In an `extern "C"` function

Additionally, if the `catch` handler is throwing an exception (either the same as before, with `throw;` or a new one that may make more sense to the callers of the function), or is never exiting (because it calls a `noreturn` function, for instance `exit`), then the accurate type of the exception usually does not matter any longer: this case is excluded too.

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Freed memory should not be used

Bug

Memory locations should not be released more than once

Bug

Memory access should be explicitly bounded to prevent buffer overflows

Bug

Printf-style format strings should not lead to unexpected behavior at runtime

Bug

Recursion should not be infinite

Bug

Resources should be closed

Bug

Hard-coded credentials are security-sensitive

Security Hotspot

"goto" should jump to labels declared later in the same function

Code Smell

Only standard forms of the "defined" directive should be used

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Switch labels should not be nested inside non-switch blocks

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