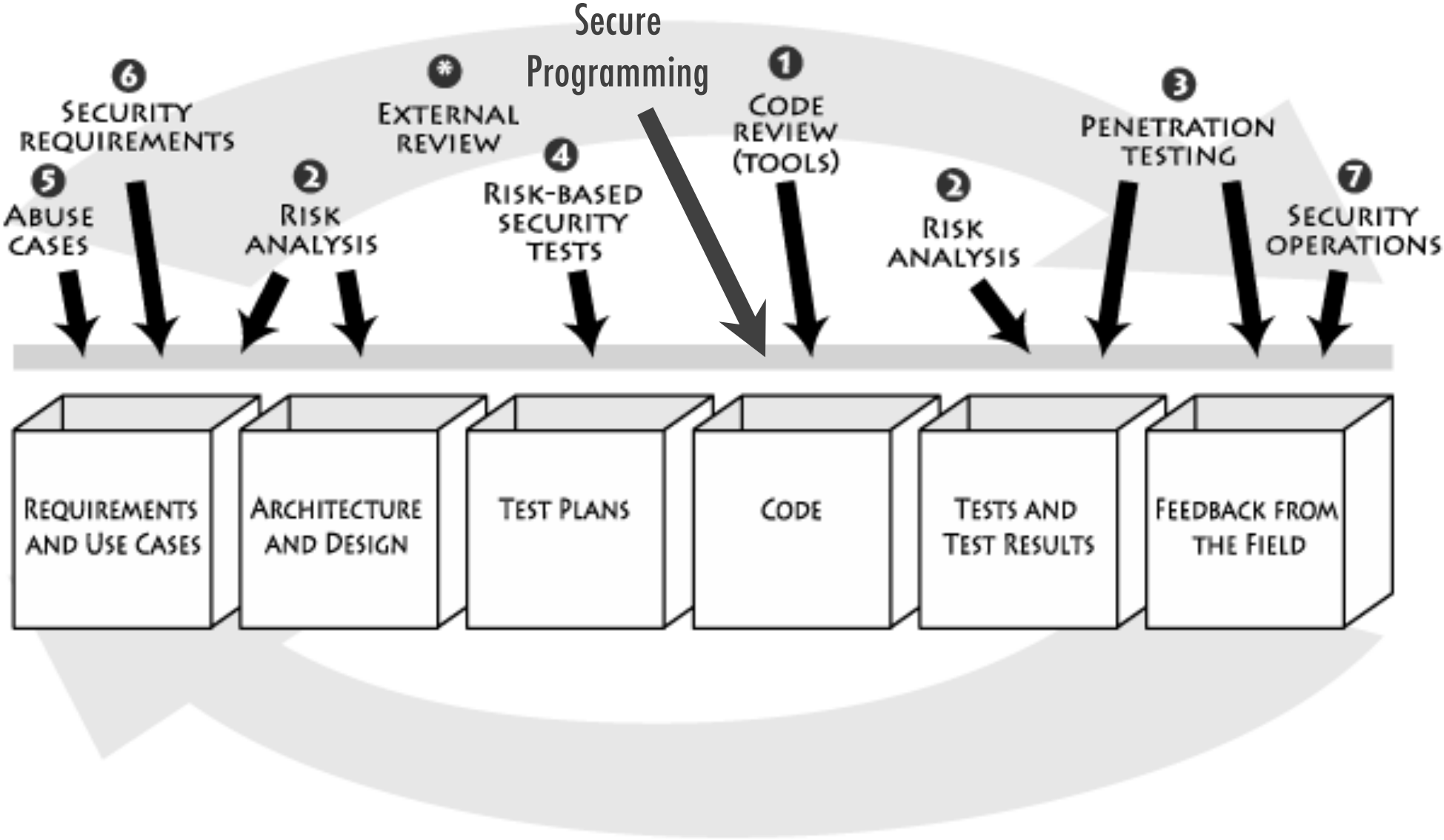
Secure Software Development Life Cycle

Secure SDLC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Architecture and Design
Test Plans
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Tests and Test Results
Feedback from the Field

Security Requirements Engineering: Two Approaches

- Security By Certification
  - Static & Dynamic Analysis
  - Information Flow Control
  - Best Practices, Security Guidelines

Fuzzer / Code Scanners
Static Analysis / Code Audit
Security testing / Pentesting
Common Criteria / EAL
Secure Programming Guidelines

- Security By Design
  - Security Objectives
  - Threat Analysis

Security Architectures
Security Properties
Access Control / Cryptographic Protocols

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Defensive Programming

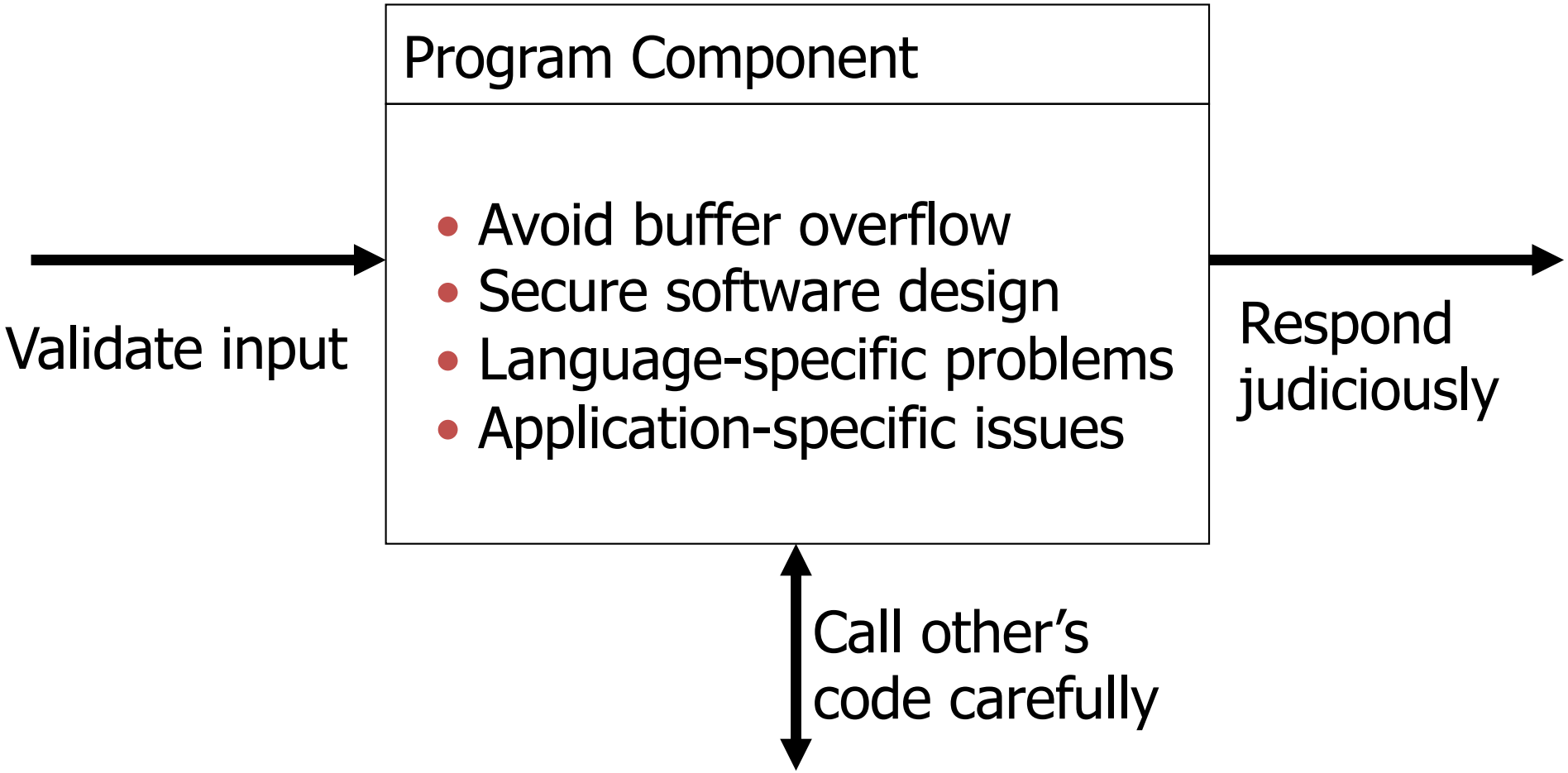
Principles [Viega and McGraw]

- Secure the weakest link
- Practice defense in depth
- Fail securely
- Follow the principle of least privilege
- Compartmentalize
- Keep it simple
- Promote privacy
- Remember that hiding is hard
- Be reluctant to trust
- Use your community resources

Secure the weakest link

- Think about possible attacks
  - How would someone try to attack this?
  - What would they want to accomplish?
- Find weakest link(s)
  - Crypto library is probably pretty good
  - Is there a way to work around crypto?
    - Data stored in encrypted form; where is *key* stored?
- Main point
  - Do security analysis of the whole system
  - Spend your time where it matters

General categories



Checking secure software

- Many rules for writing secure code
  - "sanitize user input before using it"
  - "check permissions before doing operation X"
- How to find errors?
  - Formal verification
    - + rigorous
    - – costly, expensive. *Very* rare for software
  - Testing:
    - + simple, few false positives
    - – requires running code: doesn't scale & can be impractical
  - Manual inspection
    - + flexible
    - – erratic & doesn't scale well.

Two options

- Static analysis
  - Inspect code or run automated method to find errors or gain confidence about their absence
- Dynamic analysis
  - Run code, possibly under instrumented conditions, to see if there are likely problems

Static vs Dynamic Analysis

- Static
  - Consider all possible inputs (in summary form)
  - Find bugs and vulnerabilities
  - Can prove absence of bugs, in some cases

- Dynamic
  - Need to choose sample test input
  - Can find bugs vulnerabilities
  - Cannot prove their absence

Static Analysis

- Abstracts program properties and/or looks for problems
- Tools come from program analysis
  - Type inference, data flow analysis, theorem proving
- Also manual static analysis aka reverse engineering
- Usually on source code, can be on byte code or assembly code
- Strengths
  - Complete code coverage (in theory)
  - Potentially verify absence/report all instances of whole class of bugs
  - Catches different bugs than dynamic analysis
- Weaknesses
  - High false positive rates
  - Many properties cannot be easily modeled
  - Difficult to build
  - Almost never have all source code in real systems (operating system, shared libraries, dynamic loading, etc.)

Reverse Engineering (for pentesting)

- A special form of static analysis
  - Expert user required
  - Used to study how a program works and to find vulnerabilities that can be exploited in closed source software
  - Find backdoors (insider attack …)
  - Also used to study malware, and how it exploits software/systems
- Reversing binary into:
  - Assembly form (given file format)
    - Executable and Linkable Format (ELF) – Linux
    - Portable Executable (PE) Format – Windows
    - Mach-Object (Mach-O) – OSX and iOS
    - ART (replacing Dalvik) - Android
  - Source code form (less common, e.g. Java disassembly from bytecode)

Reverse Engineering

- Requires a tool for performing disassembly:
  - IDA (Pro): world famous disassembly tool
  - Ghidra: disassembler authored by NSA
  - Radare2 (Linux/Mac/Windows)
  - Objdump (Linux/Mac)
  - Hopper (Linux)
- May also require using a debugger and an assembler for modifying the assembly code:
  - Ollydbg (Windows)
  - GDB (Linux/Mac)

Disassemblers vs. Debuggers

- Debuggers are designed to run code
  - They can disassemble code (e.g. gdb « disas »)
    - Single functions
    - Based on the instruction pointer
  - Generally don’t do batch disassembly
- Disassemblers don’t run the code
  - Output is a disassembly listing
    - Often quite to extremely large output
    - Hard to navigate
    - Harder to understand than source code!
  - Advanced tools also provide a control-flow graph view with an intuitive navigation
    - And many other tools/functionalities (renaming, reformatting, introducing comments, hexdump, code structure analysis, library analysis)

IDA Operation

- Load your binary of interest (e.g. drag&drop)
- IDA analyzes and characterizes each byte of the binary file
  - Builds a database (see files under your directory)
  - Further manipulations will involve database interactions (reads for navigation, updates for renaming, etc.)
- Performs a detailed analysis of the code:
  - Recognizes function boundaries and library calls (and even names for known library calls)
  - Recognizes data types for known library calls
  - Recognizes string constants
- You can navigate code and graph (double-click)
  - Web browser like history (and ESC = back)
- You can modify content as you recognize data and functions (change names)
  - Beware: many hotkeys, and there is no undo!
- May even « execute » code together with a remote debugger
  - Breakpoints can be set within disassembler

IDA: Disassembly listing

- main window
  - initially positioned at entry point
  - Entry point = generally not main, but instead start or _start
- Can switch with graph view using space bar
- Also contains jumps (conditional or not) in the margin at the left of the assembly code dump
  - Useful for identifying branching and looping constructs
  - Conditional jumps – dashed
  - Unconditional jumps – solid
  - Backward jumps – heavier line

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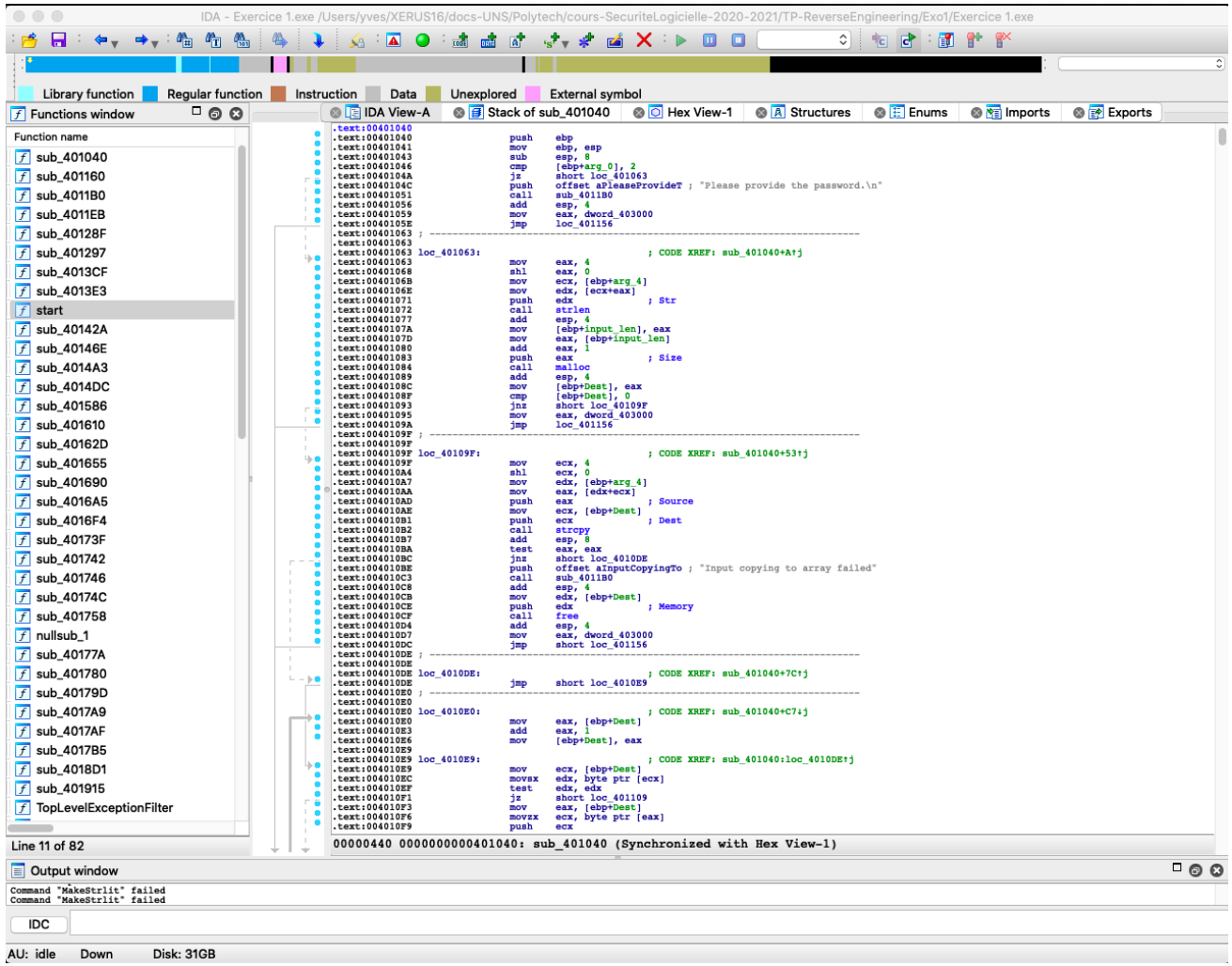

IDA: Names window

- Based on imports, exports, and some analysis
  - F is a function
  - L is a library function
  - C is code/instruction
  - A is a string
  - D is defined data
  - I is an imported function (dynamically linked)

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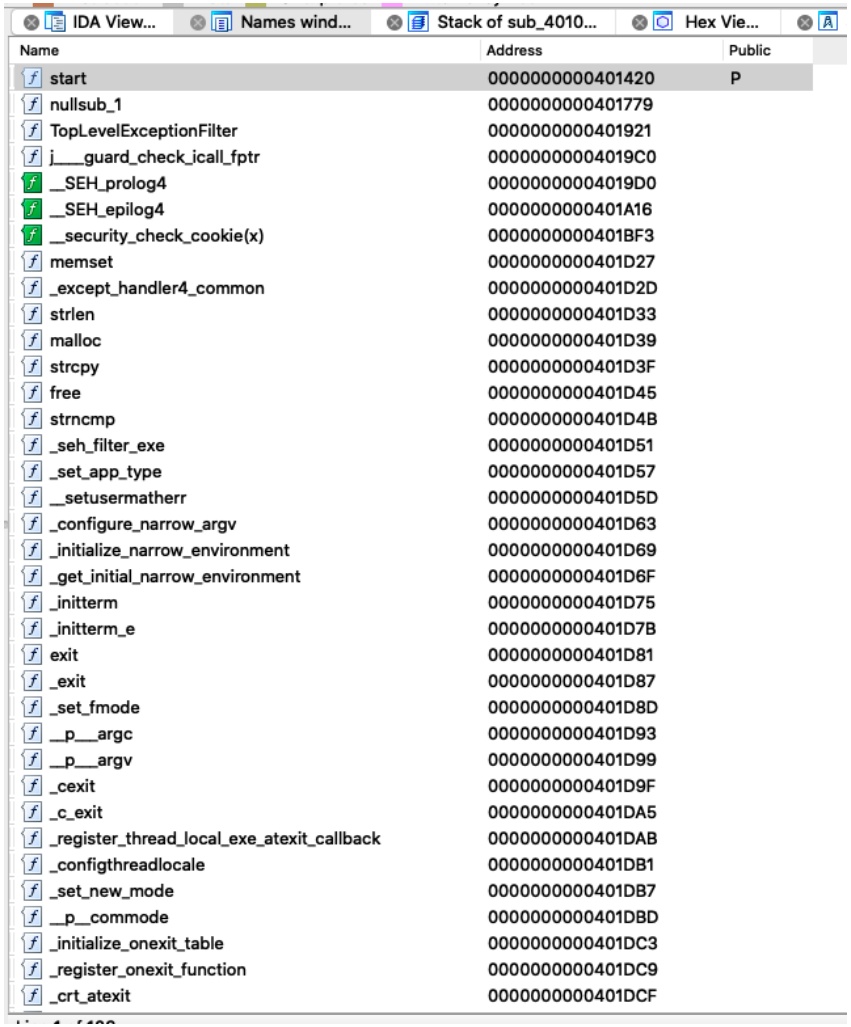

IDA: String window

- Complete listing of strings embedded within the program
- Configurable
  - Right click in Strings window and choose setup
  - Can change minimum length or style of string to search for (IDA rescans for strings if you change settings)
- Excellent tool for locating interesting inputs/outputs or text data
  - E.g., detect success conditions in the code

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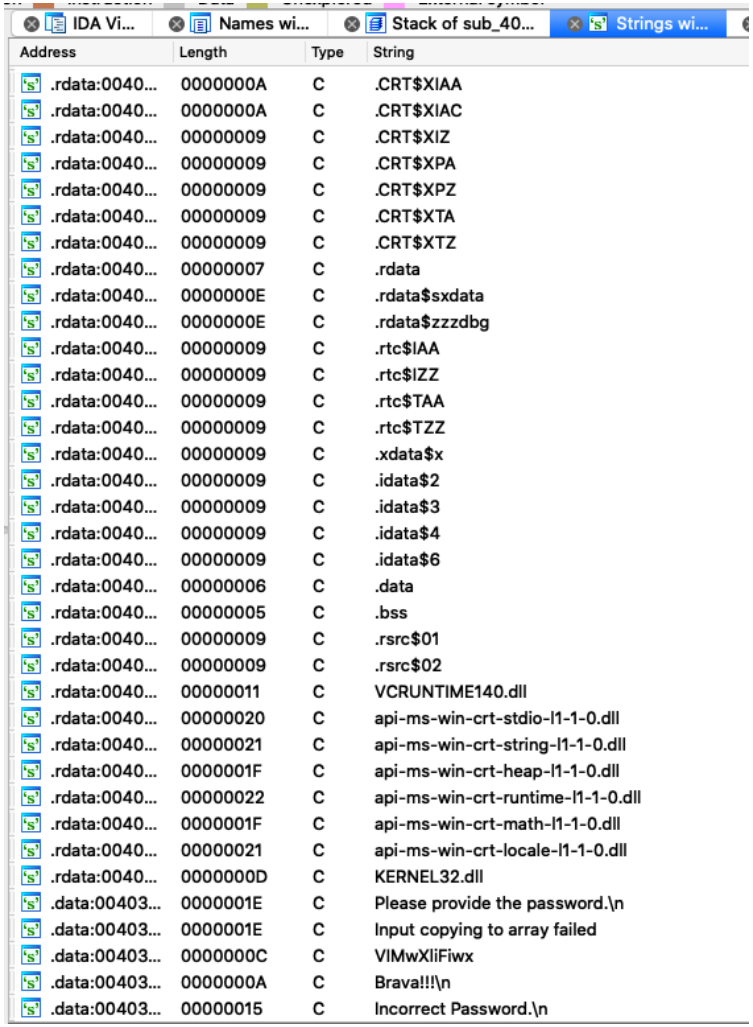
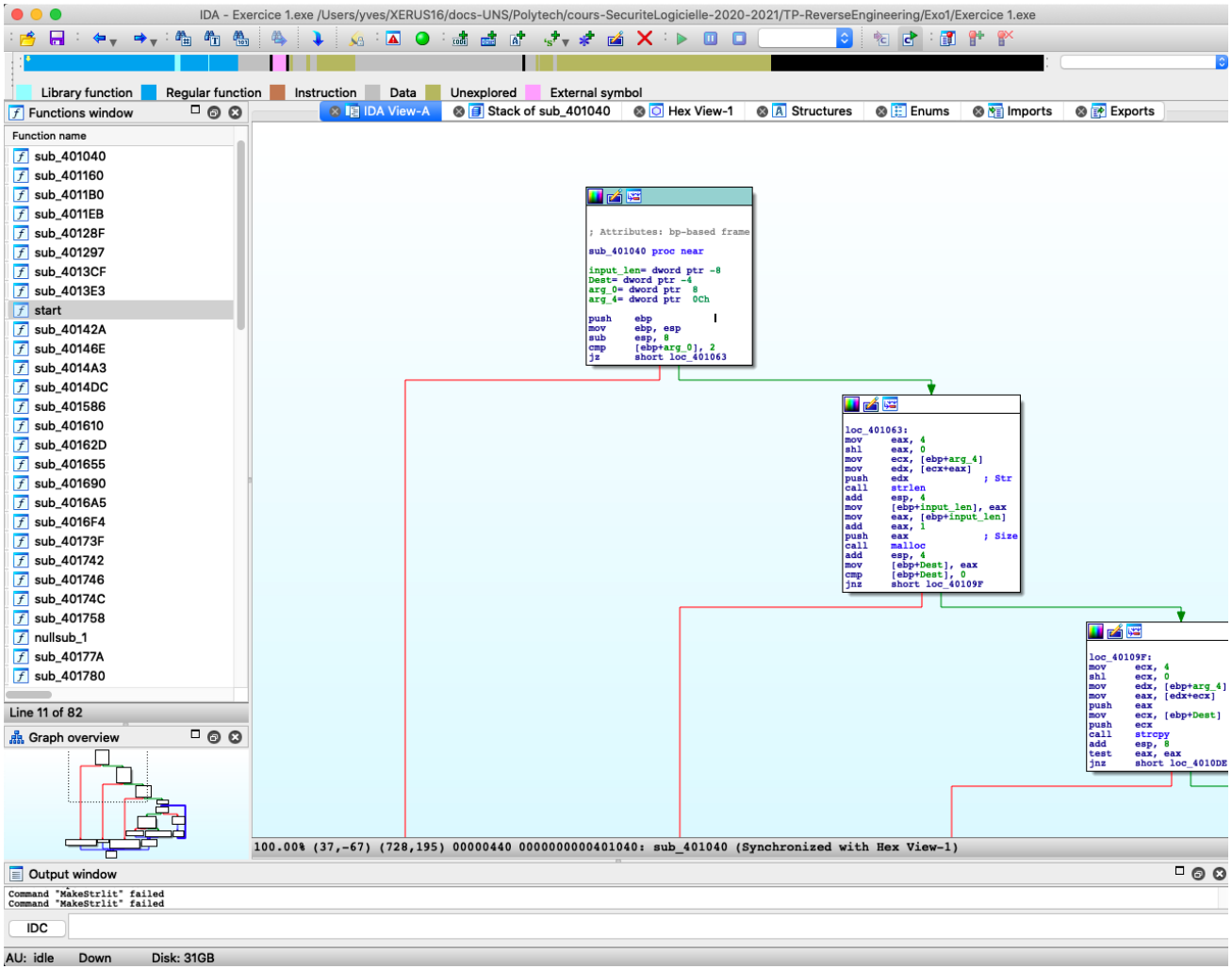


Address	Length	Type	String
.rdata:0040...	0000000A	C	.CRT$XIAA
.rdata:0040...	0000000A	C	.CRT$XIAC
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.CRT$XIZ
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.CRT$XPA
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.CRT$XPZ
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.CRT$XTA
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.CRT$XTZ
.rdata:0040...	00000007	C	.rdata
.rdata:0040...	0000000E	C	.rdata$sxdata
.rdata:0040...	0000000E	C	.rdata$zzzdbg
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.rtc$IAA
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.rtc$IZZ
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.rtc$TAA
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.rtc$TZZ
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.xdata$x
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.idata$2
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.idata$3
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.idata$4
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.idata$6
.rdata:0040...	00000006	C	.data
.rdata:0040...	00000005	C	.bss
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.rsrc$01
.rdata:0040...	00000009	C	.rsrc$02
.rdata:0040...	00000011	C	VCRUNTIME140.dll
.rdata:0040...	00000020	C	api-ms-win-crt-stdio-l1-1-0.dll
.rdata:0040...	00000021	C	api-ms-win-crt-string-l1-1-0.dll
.rdata:0040...	0000001F	C	api-ms-win-crt-heap-l1-1-0.dll
.rdata:0040...	00000022	C	api-ms-win-crt-runtime-l1-1-0.dll
.rdata:0040...	0000001F	C	api-ms-win-crt-math-l1-1-0.dll
.rdata:0040...	00000021	C	api-ms-win-crt-locale-l1-1-0.dll
.rdata:0040...	0000000D	C	KERNEL32.dll
.data:00403...	0000001E	C	Please provide the password.\n
.data:00403...	0000001E	C	Input copying to array failed
.data:00403...	0000000C	C	VlMwXliFiwx
.data:00403...	0000000A	C	Brava!!!\n
.data:00403...	00000015	C	Incorrect Password.\n

IDA: graphs

- Many graphs can be generated
- Function flow charts
  - Unconditional jumps – blue line
  - Conditional jump if true – green line
  - Conditional jump if false – red line
  - Move your mouse on top of graph to get further info
- Function call tree (forest) for a program
- All crossrefs from a function (« which other functions do I call? »)
- All crossrefs to a function (« who calls function? »)

IDA: function flow chart



x86 Assembly basics: instructions

- Memory manipulation:
  - Mov <dst>, <src> - adresses can be described by « [address value] »
  - Push/Pop <registry>
  - Xcgh <registry 1>, <registry 2>
- Arithmetic operators:
  - Add/Dec/Mul/Div <registry>, <operand2>
  - Inc/Dec <registry>
  - Neg <registry> - two's complement
- Bit-level manipulation:
  - And/Or/Xor <registry1>, <registry2>
  - Not <registry>
  - Shl <registry>, <added_bit>
  - Shr <registry>
  - Rol/Ror <registry>

x86 Assembly basics: instructions

- Tests
  - Cmp <registry 1>, <registry 2>
- Jumps
  - Jmp <code location>
  - Je <code location> (if previous test is equal)
  - Jne <code location> (if previous test not equal)
  - Jz <code location> (if previous operation is zero)
  - Jnz <code location> (if previous operation not zero)
- Subroutine calls
  - Call <code location>
  - Ret

Two Types of Tool Based Static Analysis

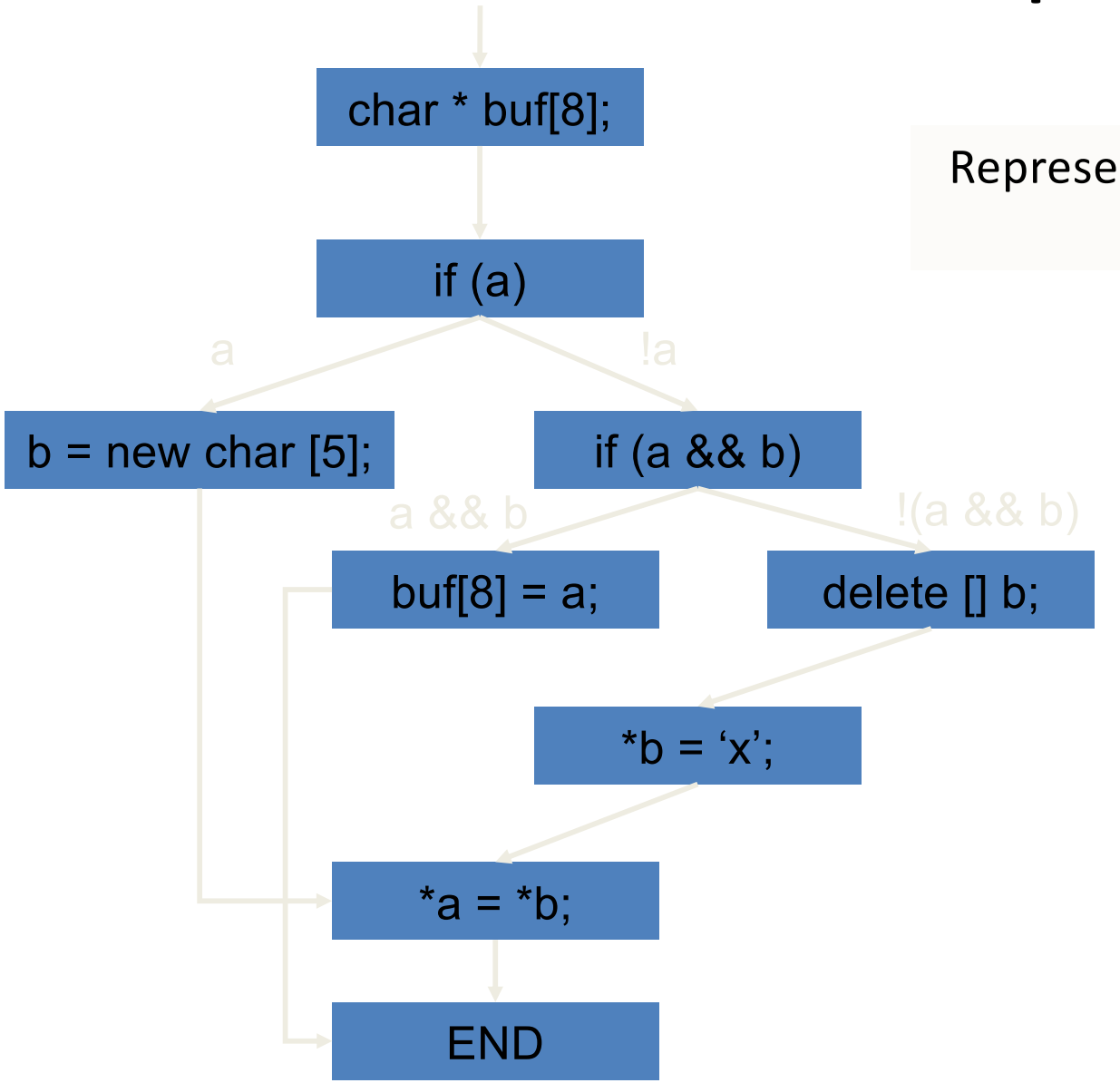
- (Rather) Shallow code analysis.
  - Look for known code issues: e.g., unsafe string functions `strncpy(), sprintf(), gets()`
  - Look for unsafe functions in your source base
  - Look for recurring problem code (problematic interfaces, copy/paste of bad code, etc.)
- Deeper analysis
  - Requires complex code parsing and computations
  - Some are implemented in tools like coverity, fortify, visual studio …
  - Otherwise must be developed on top of parsers like LLVM
  - In the case of disassemblers, the security expert is the last part of the static analyzer …

Static analysis: Soundness, Completeness

Property	Definition
Soundness	"Sound for reporting correctness" Analysis finds a bug $\rightarrow$ There is a bug
Completeness	"Complete for reporting correctness" No bug $\rightarrow$ Analysis says no bug

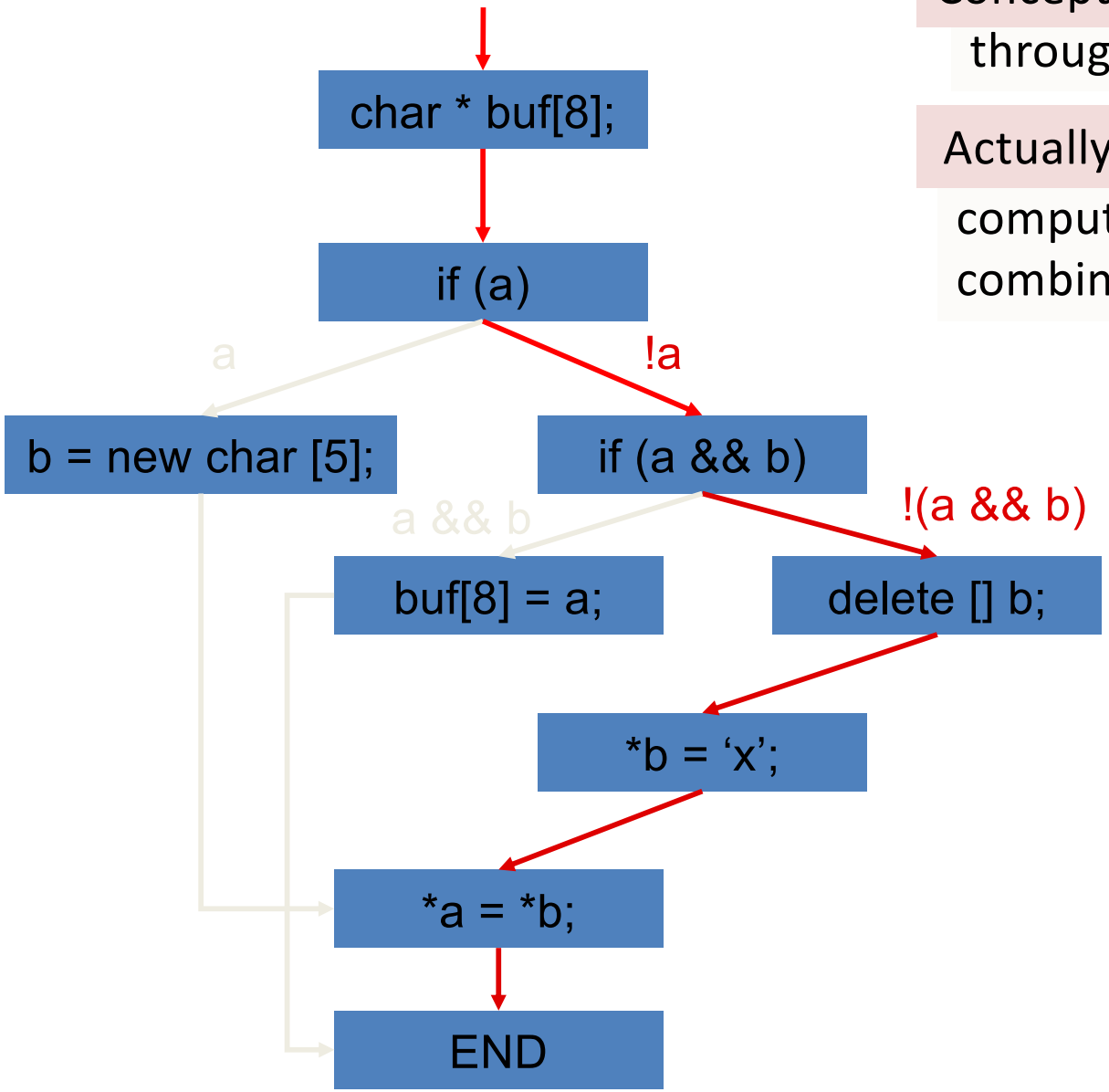
	Complete	Incomplete
Sound	Reports all errors Reports no false alarms **Undecidable**	May not report all errors Reports no false alarms **Decidable**
Unsound	Reports all errors May report false alarms **Decidable**	May not report all errors May report false alarms **Decidable**

Control Flow Graph (CFG)



Represent logical structure of code in graph form

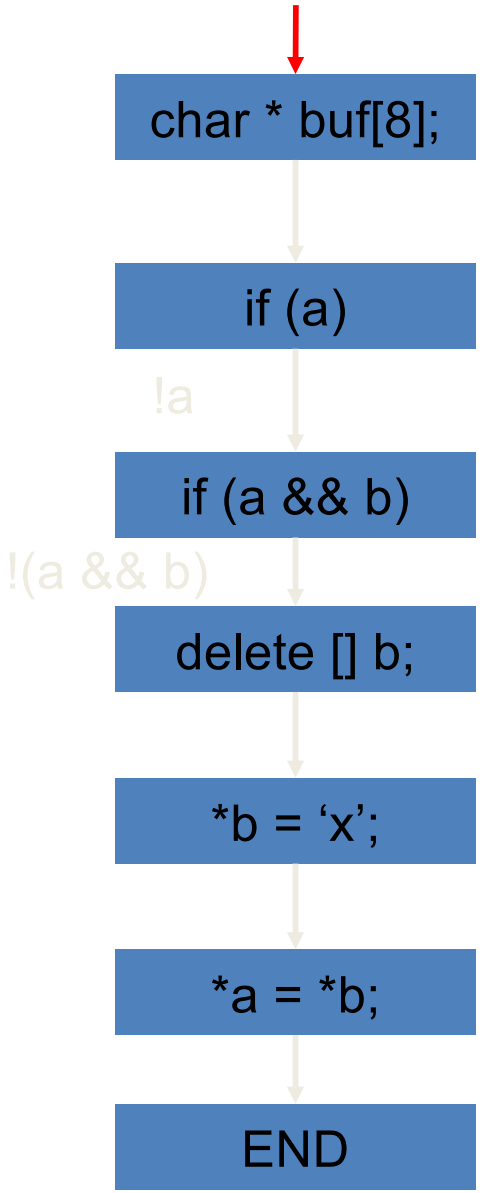
Path Traversal



Conceptually Analyze each path through control graph separately

Actually Perform some checking computation once per node; combine paths at merge nodes

Apply Checking



three checkers can be run for this path

Null pointers Use after free Array overrun

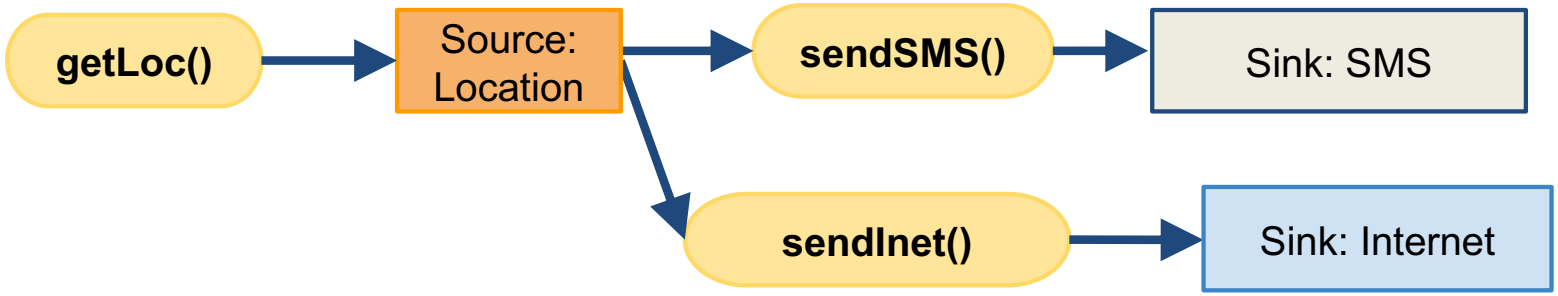
Checker

- Defined by a state diagram, with state transitions and error states

Run Checker

- Assign initial state to each program variable
- State at program point depends on state at previous point + program actions
- Emit error if error state reached

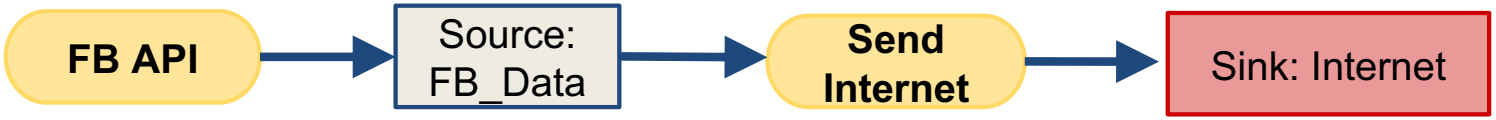
Data Flow Analysis



- Source-to-sink flows
  - Sources: Location, Calendar, Contacts, Device ID etc.
  - Sinks: Internet, SMS, Disk, etc.

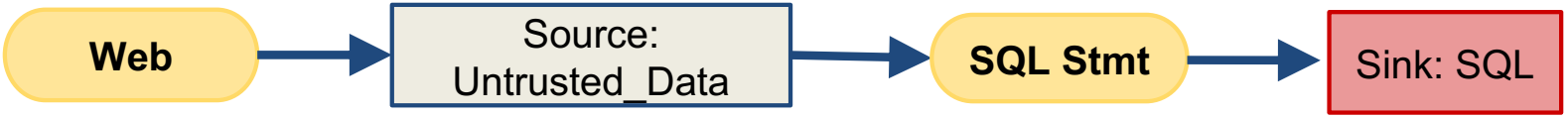
Applications of Data Flow Analysis

- Vulnerability Discovery
- Malware/Greyware Analysis
  - Data flow summaries enable enterprise-specific policies
- API Misuse and Data Theft Detection



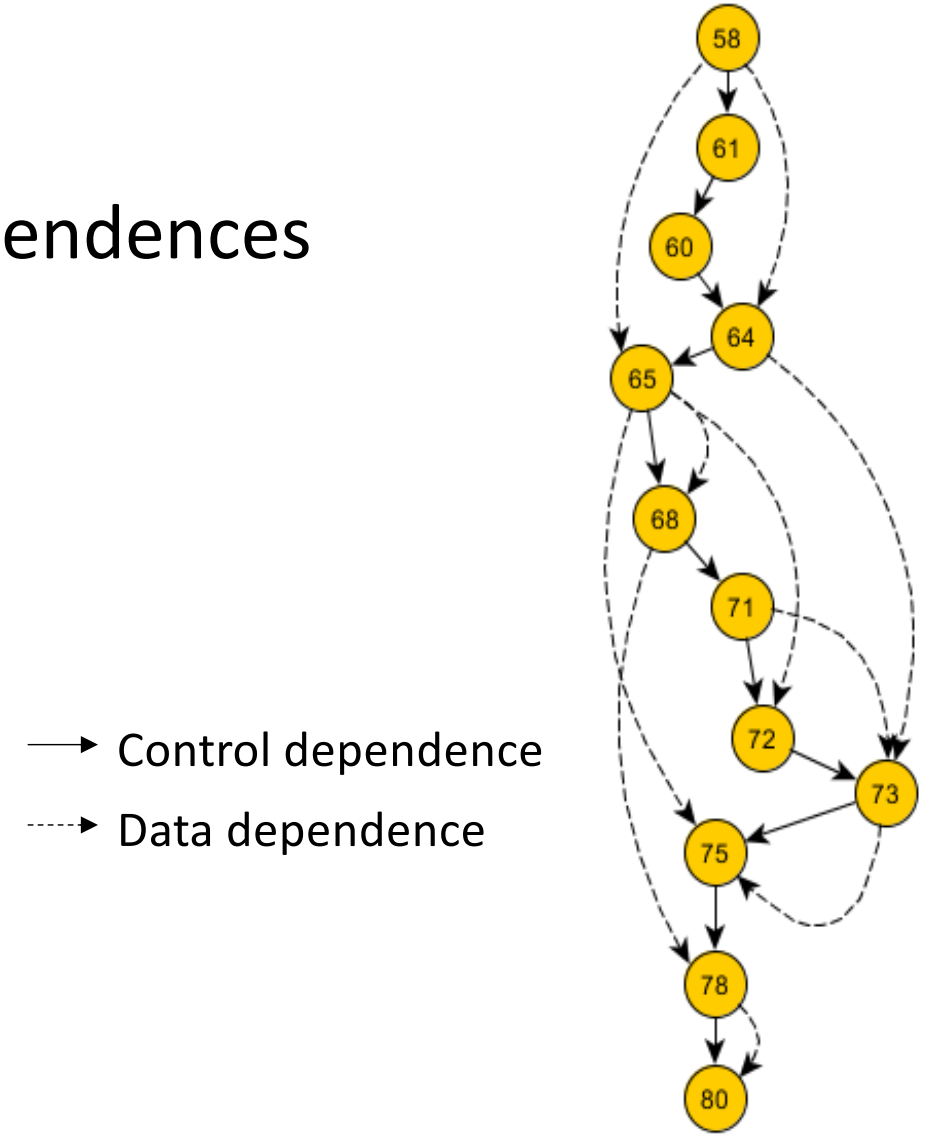
- Automatic Generation of App Privacy Policies
  - Avoid liability, protect consumer privacy

Privacy Policy
This app collects your:
Contacts
Phone Number
Address



Program Dependence Graph (PDG)

- Control Dependences
- Explicit + Implicit Data Dependences
- Properties:
  - Path-sensitive
  - Context-Sensitive
  - Object-Sensitive



JOANA IFC tool

- Intended for Information Flow Analysis
- Annotations: SINK / SOURCE
- Non-Interference: Security Levels (HIGH / LOW)