

Path-Sensitive Bug Reports

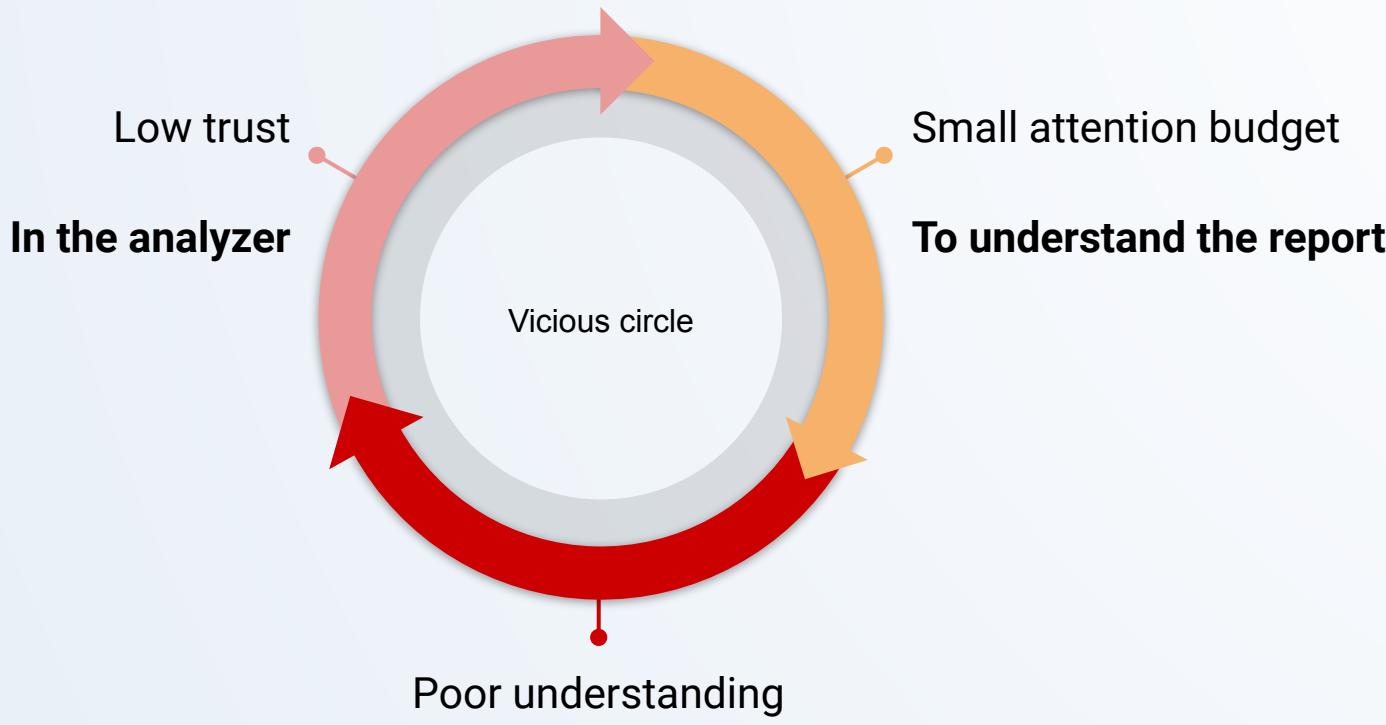
Choose Your Own Adventure

Boy Who Cried Wolf

Many FPs decrease
trust in the analyzer

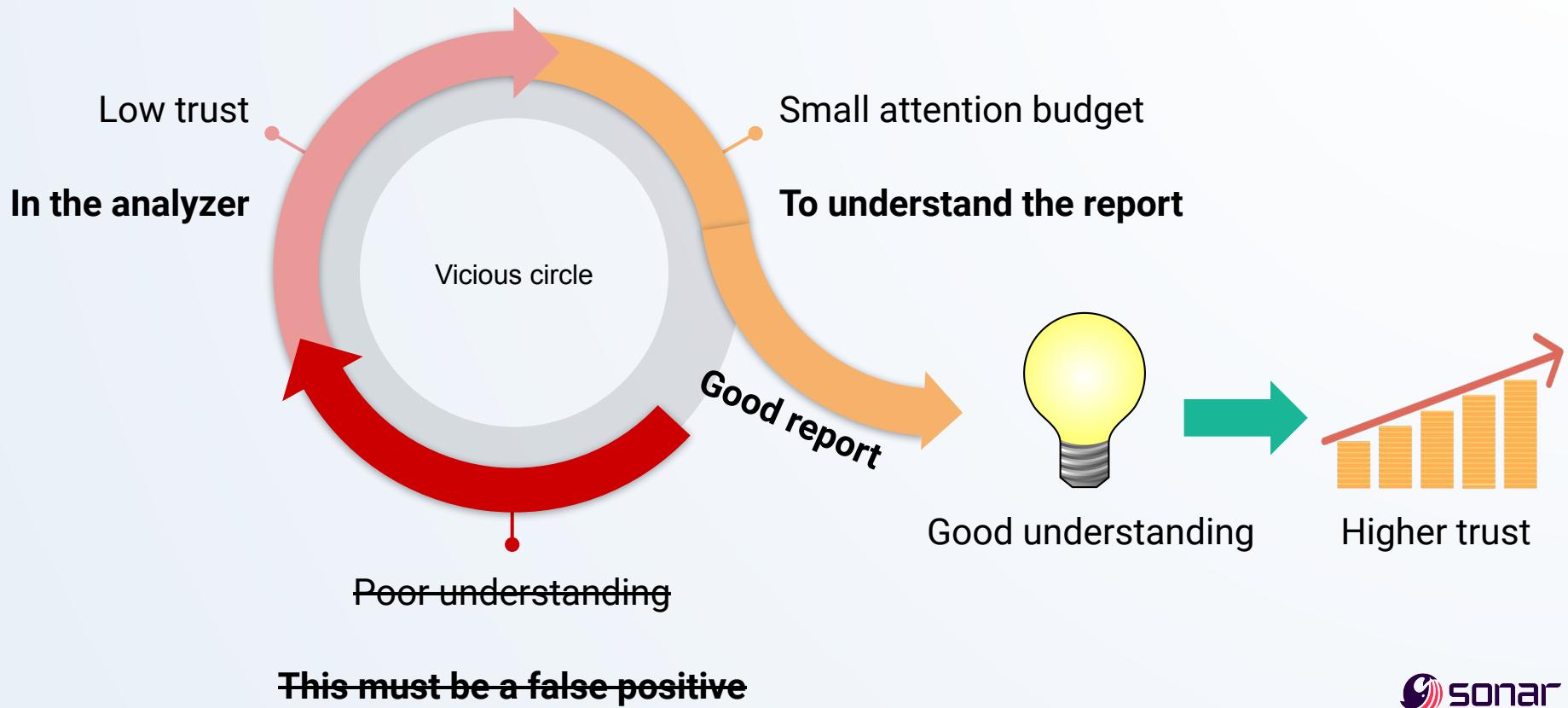


Vicious Circle



This must be a false positive

Break the Vicious Circle via Better Reporting



Interactive Reports: Understandable & Complete

Issues by Complexity





Simple Issues: Single Source Location

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        }();  
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Do not read

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Filter (e.g. text, **/*.ts, !**/node_modules/**)

- > **dfg-intro.cpp** 1
- > **primloc-only.cpp** 10
 - ⚠ Use "std::array" or "std::vector" instead of a C-style array. sonarlint(pp:S5945) [Ln 2, Col 3]
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Simple Issues: GUI

primloc-only.cpp

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9         }();  
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11
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Do not read

PROBLEMS

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Involved Issues: Multiple Locations

```
#include <vector>
#include <string>

void myvec() {
    std::vector<std::string> vs{1, 2};
}
```

```
many-secondaries-irrelevant.cpp:5:28: error: no matching constructor for initialization of
  'std::vector<std::string>' (aka 'vector<basic_string<char>>')
    std::vector<std::string> vs{1, 2};

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:510:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: no known conversion from 'int' to 'const allocator_type' (aka 'con
std::allocator<std::basic_string<char>>') for 2nd argument
vector(size_type __n, const allocator_type& __a = allocator_type())
^

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:522:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: no known conversion from 'int' to 'const value_type'
(aka 'const std::basic_string<char>') for 2nd argument
vector(size_type __n, const value_type& __value,
^

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:575:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: no known conversion from 'int' to 'const vector<basic_string<char>
vector(const vector<__x, const allocator_type& __a)
^

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:607:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: no known conversion from 'int' to 'vector<basic_string<char>>' for 1st argument
vector(vector&& __rv, const allocator_type& __a)
^

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:625:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: no known conversion from 'int' to 'initializer_list<value_type>' (aka
'initializer_list<std::basic_string<char>>') for 1st argument
vector(initializer_list<value_type> __l,
^

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:653:2: note:
candidate template ignored: substitution failure [with _InputIterator = int]: no type named 'iterator_category' in
  'std::iterator_traits<int>'
    vector(_InputIterator __first, _InputIterator __last,
^

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:497:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: requires single argument '__a', but 2 arguments were provided
vector(const allocator_type& __a) __GLIBCXX_NOREXCEPT
^

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:553:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: requires single argument '__x', but 2 arguments were provided
vector(const vector& __x)
^

/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:572:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: requires 1 argument, but 2 were provided
vector(vector&&) noexcept = default;
```

```
/usr/bin/../lib/gcc/x86_64-linux-gnu/11/../../../../include/c++/11/bits/stl_vector.h:585:7: note:
candidate constructor not viable: requires 3 arguments, but 2 were provided
vector(vector&& __rv, const allocator_type& __true_type) noexcept
^
```

```
vector() = default;
^
1 error generated.
```



Multiple Locations: GUI

"InheritableAttr", and remove the ones you manually duplicated.

Code Smell +3

Add a using-declaration to this derived class to inherit the constructors of "InheritableParamAttr", and remove the ones you manually duplicated.

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clang/include/clang/AST/StmtIterator.h

Add a using-declaration to this derived class to inherit the constructors of "StmtIteratorImpl", and remove the ones you manually duplicated.

Code Smell +7

1 The derived class

2 Removable constructor

3 Matching constructor in base class

4 Removable constructor

5 Matching constructor in base class

6 Removable constructor

7 Matching constructor in base class

Clang clang/include/clang/AST/StmtIterator.h See all issues in this file

```
127
128     struct StmtIterator : public StmtIteratorImpl<StmtIterator, Stmt*&> {
129
130         explicit StmtIterator() = default;
131
132         StmtIterator(Stmt** S) : StmtIteratorImpl<StmtIterator, Stmt*&>(S) {}
133
134         StmtIterator(Decl** dgi, Decl** dge)
135             : StmtIteratorImpl<StmtIterator, Stmt*&>(dgi, dge) {}
136
137         StmtIterator(const VariableArrayType *t)
138             : StmtIteratorImpl<StmtIterator, Stmt*&>(t) {}
139
140     private:
141         StmtIterator(const StmtIteratorBase &RHS)
142             : StmtIteratorImpl<StmtIterator, Stmt *&>(RHS) {}
143
144     ...
145         using difference_type = std::ptrdiff_t;
146         using pointer = REFERENCE;
147         using reference = REFERENCE;
148
149         StmtIteratorImpl() = default;
150
151         StmtIteratorImpl(Stmt **s) : StmtIteratorBase(s) {}
152
153         StmtIteratorImpl(Decl **dgi, Decl **dge) : StmtIteratorBase(dgi, dge) {}
154
155         StmtIteratorImpl(const VariableArrayType *t) : StmtIteratorBase(t) {}
```

Do not read



Path-Sensitive Issues: Flow

```
int getInt();
int *getPtr();

void fixme() {
    int x = getInt();
    int y = getInt();
    1 int.*p = getPtr();
    2 if (x < y) {
        3 if (4 p)
            x = 8;
        5 if (6 x == 3) {
            6 y = 8*p;
        }
    }
}
```

The screenshot shows the SonarQube IDE interface with a code editor on the left and a detailed analysis report on the right.

Code Editor: The code editor displays the `fixme()` function. Several lines of code are highlighted with colored boxes and numbers (1 through 8) for tracking. A yellow lightbulb icon is positioned next to the first `if` statement.

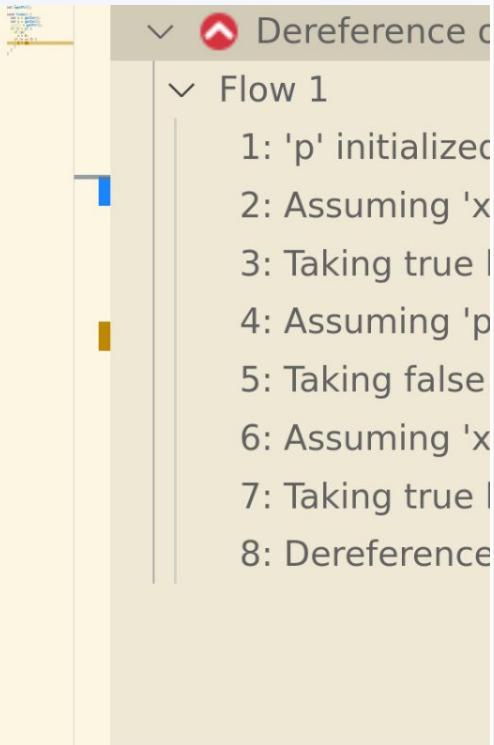
Analysis Report: The report details a path-sensitive issue:

- Issue:** Dereference of null pointer (loaded from variable 'p')
- Flow 1:**
 - 'p' initialized here [7, 2]
 - Assuming 'x' is < 'y' [8, 6]
 - Taking true branch [8, 2]
 - Assuming 'p' is null [9, 8]
 - Taking false branch [9, 4]
 - Assuming 'x' is equal to 3 [11, 8]
 - Taking true branch [11, 4]
 - Dereference of null pointer (loaded from variable 'p') [...]

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        }
    }
}
```



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7     int *p = getPtr();
8
9     1 'p' initialized here →
10
11     if (x < y) {
12         2 ← Assuming 'x' is < 'y' →
13
14         3 ← Taking true branch →
15             if (p)
16                 4 ← Assuming 'p' is null →
17
18                 5 ← Taking false branch →
19
20                     x = 8;
21                     if (x == 3) {
22                         6 ← Assuming 'x' is equal to 3 →
23
24                             7 ← Taking true branch →
25
26                             y = *p;
27
28             8 ← Dereference of null pointer (loaded from variable 'p')
29
30         }
31     }
32 }
```





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 Parameter values should be appropriate [cpp:S3807](#)

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symbolic-execution

Full execution flow

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- 7 Taking true branch
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- 9 Taking true branch
- 10 Assuming the condition is true
- 11 Returning from 'RtlEqualUnicodePathPrefix'
- 12 Returning without writing to 'path->Buffer'
- 13 '?' condition is false
- 14 Assuming 'prefix->Length' is >= 'path->Length'

Where is the issue?
Why is this an issue?
 msys2-runtime winsup/utils/cygpath.cc [+]
[See all issues in this file](#)

```

262         ans.MaximumLength - ans.Length);
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264         got_one = true;
265         /* Special case for local disks: It's most feasible if the
266          DOS device name reflects the DOS drive, so we check for this
267          explicitly and only return prematurely if so. */
268         if ( 2 htdev.Length < wcslen (HARDDISK_PREFIX)
269         || 1 wcsncasecmp (ntdev.Buffer, HARDDISK_PREFIX, 8) != 0
270         || (odi->ObjectName.Length == 2 * sizeof (WCHAR)
271             && odi->ObjectName.Buffer[1] == L':')
272         {
273             if (trailing)
274             {
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276                  DOS pathname without the ||.| prefix. Unless it's
277                  longer than MAX_PATH - 1 in which case it needs
278                  the ||?| prefix. */
279             }

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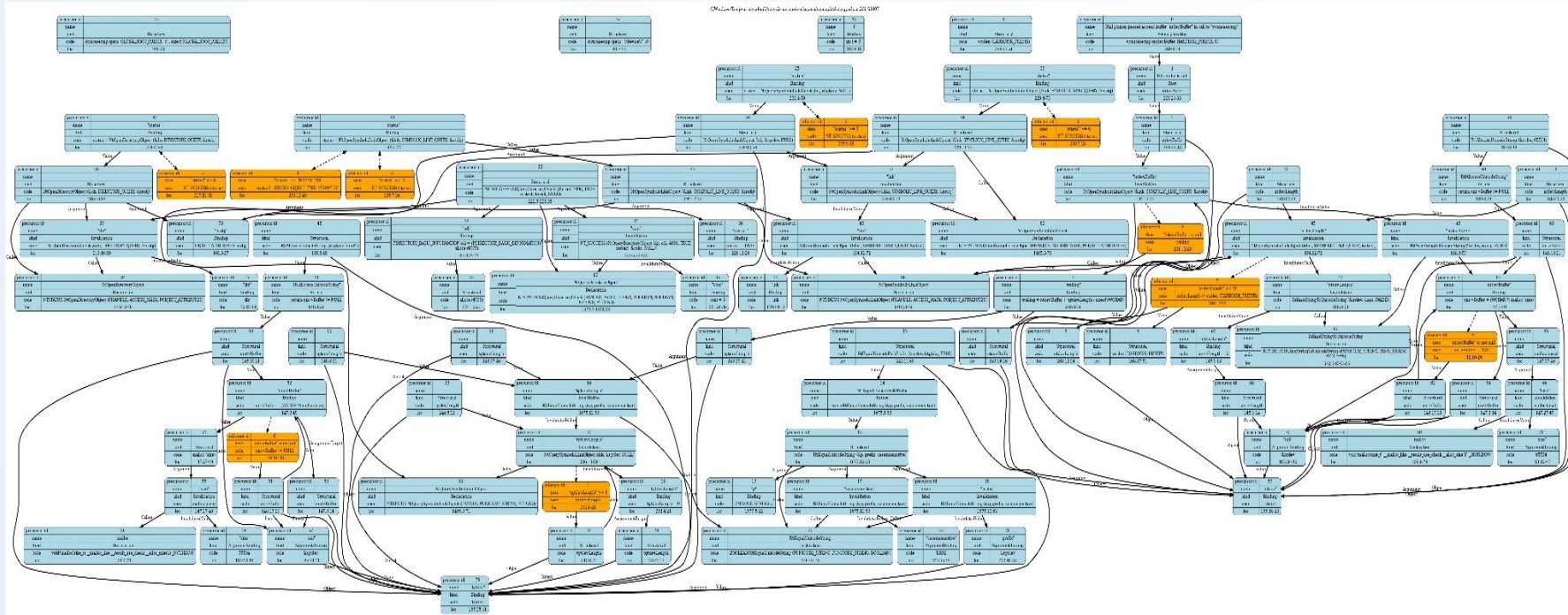
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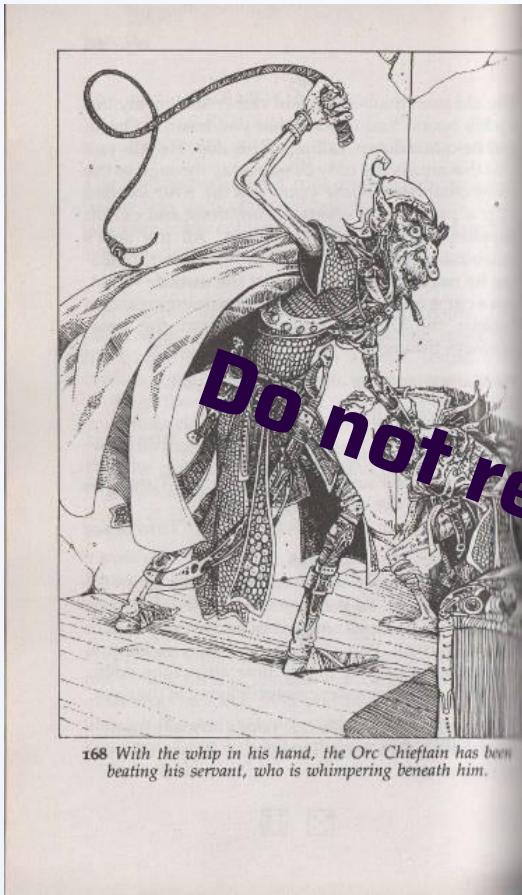
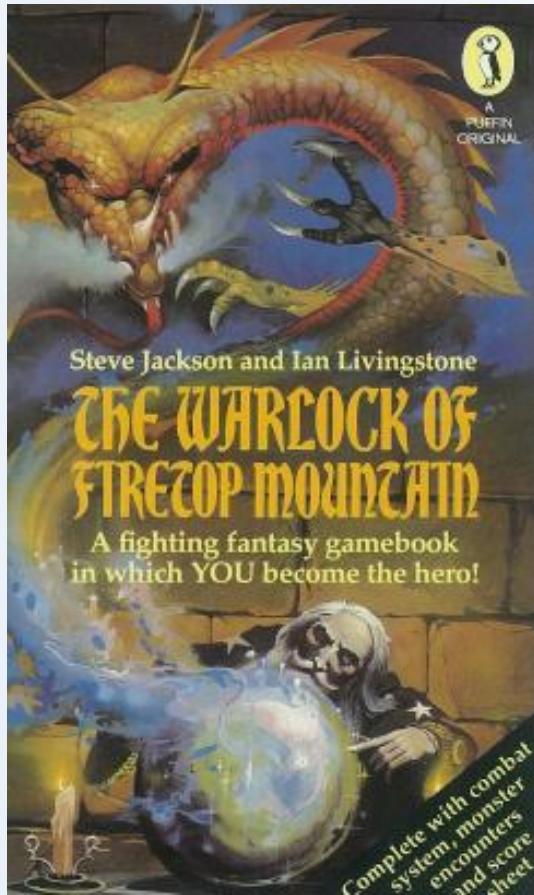
243     {
244         /* If the comparison succeeds, the name of the directory entry is
245          a valid DOS device name, if prepended with "\.\.". Return that
246          valid DOS path. */
247         wchar_t *trailing = NULL;
248         if ( 8 ntdev.Length > tgtdev.Length)
249             trailing = ntdev.Buffer + tgtdev.Length / sizeof (WCHAR);
250             ULONG len = RtlUnicodeStringToAnsiSize (&odi->ObjectName);
251             if ( 6 trailing)
252                 len += my_wcstombs (NULL, trailing, 0);
253                 free (ret);
254                 ret = (char *) malloc (len + 4);
255                 strcpy (ret, "\\\\".\\\"");
256                 ans.Length = 0;
257                 ans.MaximumLength = len;
258                 ans.Buffer = ret + 4;
259                 RtlUnicodeStringToAnsiString (&ans, &odi->ObjectName, FALSE);
260                 if ( 4 trailing)
261                     my_wcstombs (ans.Buffer + ans.Length, trailing,

```

DFG



Choose Your Own Adventure



168 With the whip in his hand, the Orc Chieftain has been beating his servant, who is whimpering beneath him.

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167

You find a secret door which opens into the bend where two passageways meet. To the north a short passage runs into a dead end, and to the east, the passageway reaches a crossroads. If you will step through this secret door into the passageway, turn to 187. If you decide against going through the secret door, close it and return down the passage to the crossroads – turn to 359.

168

You open the door to a large room. A large chair behind a solid-looking table suggests to you that someone, or something, of rank uses this room. A chest in the centre catches your eye. In a corner of the room stands a man-sized creature with a warty face, standing over a smaller creature of similar race. With the whip in his hand, the ORC CHIEFTAIN has been beating his servant, who is whimpering beneath him. Will you:

 Attack them both?

 Spring at the Chieftain in the hope that his servant will aid you?

 Leave the room and head back for the junction?

Turn to 372

Turn to 65

Turn to 293

169

One by one all the keys click and turn in the locks. You have placed them all correctly! As the last key turns, the lid of the chest comes free and you open it. Turn to 400 to see what lies within.



Data Flow Based Interactive Report

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261         my_wcstombs (ans.Buffer + ans.Length, trailing,
262                     ans.MaximumLength - ans.Length);
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271             && odi->ObjectName.Buffer[1] == L':'))
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Invalidation|Def: RtlaStringToUnicodeString
(&ntdev, &ans, FALSE)

NtOpenSymbolicLinkObject:

Use: NtOpenSymbolicLinkObject

Def: NTSTATUS NtOpenSymbolicLinkObject
(PHANDLE, ACCESS_MASK,
POBJECT_ATTRIBUTES)

Assumptions about "ntdev.Buffer":

trailing

"ntdev.Buffer" is null

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164 get_device_name (char *path)
165 {
166     UNICODE_STRING ntdev, tgtdev, ntdevdir;
167     ANSI_STRING ans;
168     OBJECT_ATTRIBUTES ntobj;
169     NTSTATUS status;
170     HANDLE lnk, dir;
171     bool got_one = false;
172     char *ret = strdup (path);
173     PDIRECTORY_BASIC_INFORMATION odi = (PDIRECTORY_BASIC_INFORMATION)
174                                     alloca (4096);
175     BOOLEAN restart;
176     ULONG cont;
177
178     if (!strncasecmp (path, GLOBALROOT_PREFIX "\\", sizeof (GLOBALROOT_PREFIX)))
179         path += sizeof (GLOBALROOT_PREFIX) - 1;
180     if (strncasecmp (path, "\\\Device\\", 8))
181         return ret;
182
183     if (!RtlAllocateUnicodeString (&ntdev, 65534))
184         return ret;
185     if (!RtlAllocateUnicodeString (&tgtdev, 65534))
186         return ret;
187     RtlInitAnsiString (&ans, path);
188     RtlAnsiStringToUnicodeString (&ntdev, &ans, FALSE);
189
190     /* First check if the given device name is a symbolic link itself. If so,
191      query it and use the new name as actual device name to search for in the
192      DOS device name directory. If not, just use the incoming device name. */
193     InitializeObjectAttributes (&ntobj, &ntdev, OBJ_CASE_INSENSITIVE, NULL, NULL);
194     status = NtOpenSymbolicLinkObject (&lnk, SYMBOLIC_LINK_QUERY, &ntobj);
195     if (NT_SUCCESS (status))
196     {
197         status = NtQuerySymbolicLinkObject (lnk, &tgtdev, NULL);
198         NtClose (lnk);
199         if (!NT_SUCCESS (status))
200             goto out;
201         RtlCopyUnicodeString (&ntdev, &tgtdev);
202     }
203     else if (status != STATUS_OBJECT_TYPE_MISMATCH
204             && status != STATUS_OBJECT_PATH_SYNTAX_BAD)
205         goto out;
206
207     for (int i = 0; i < 2; ++i)
```

Null pointer passed as read buffer "ntdev.Buffer" in call to "wcsncasecmp".

Explored points:

This buffer is null:

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"trailing":

Use: trailing

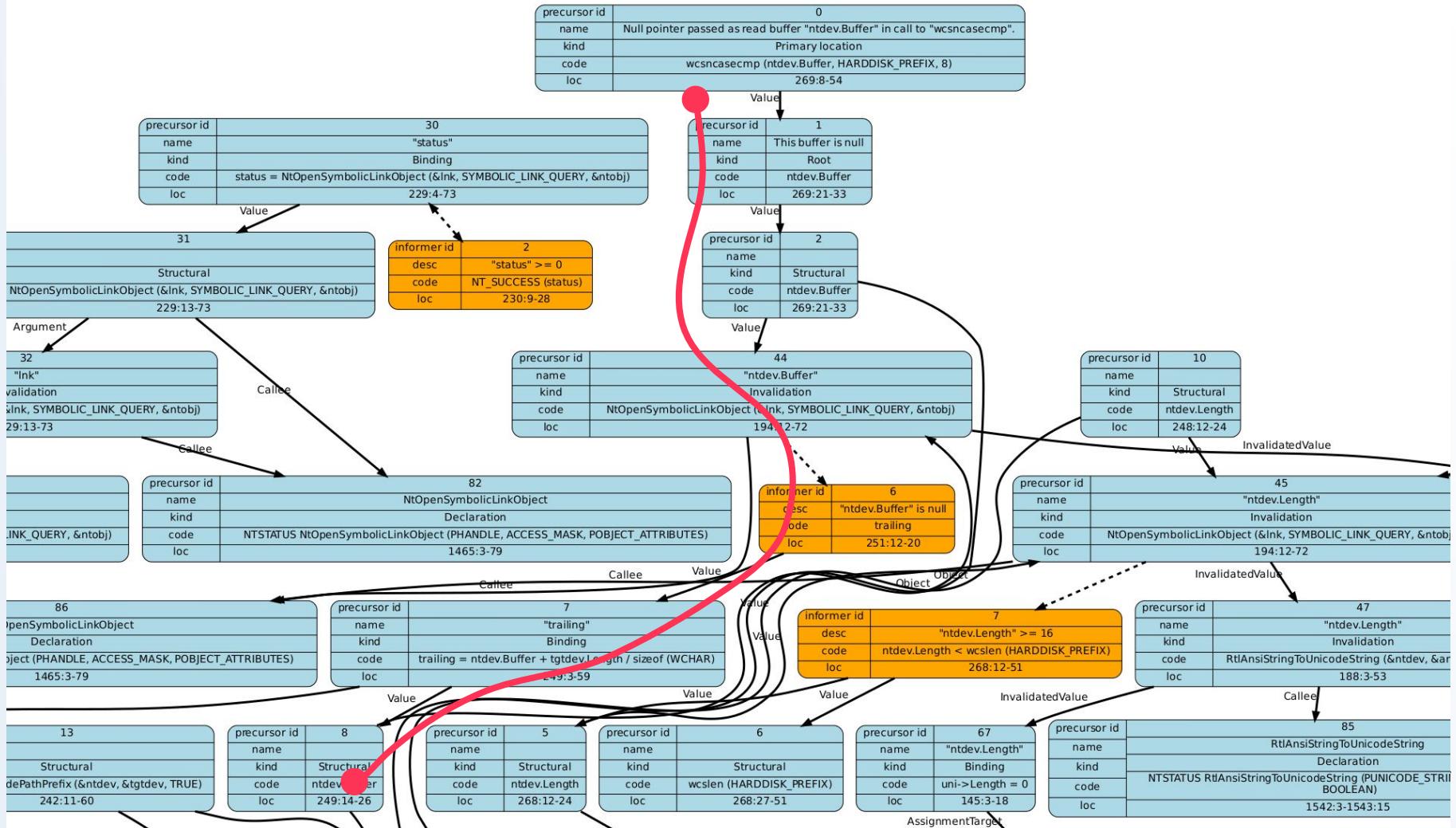
Def: trailing = ntdev.Buffer + tgtdev.Length /
sizeof (WCHAR)

Relevant values:

ntdev.Buffer

tgtdev.Length

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219 /* ...and scan it. */  
220 for (restart = TRUE, cont = 0;  
221     NT_SUCCESS (NtQueryDirectoryObject (dir, odi, 4096, TRUE,  
222                           restart, &cont, NULL));  
223     restart = FALSE)  
224 {  
225     /* For each entry check if it's a symbolic link. */  
226     InitializeObjectAttributes (&ntobj, &odi->ObjectName,  
227                               OBJ_CASE_INSENSITIVE, dir, NULL);  
228     status = NtOpenSymbolicLinkObject (&lnk, SYMBOLIC_LINK_QUERY, &ntobj);  
229     if (!NT_SUCCESS (status))  
230         continue;  
231     tgtdev.Length = 0;  
232     tgtdev.MaximumLength = 512;  
233     /* If so, query it and compare the target of the symlink with the  
234      incoming device name. */  
235     status = NtQuerySymbolicLinkObject (lnk, &tgtdev, NULL);  
236     NtClose (lnk);  
237     if (!NT_SUCCESS (status))  
238         continue;  
239     if (tgtdev.Length /* There's actually a symlink pointing to an  
240           empty string: \??\GLOBALROOT -> "" */  
241         && RtlEqualUnicodePathPrefix (&ntdev, &tgtdev, TRUE))  
242     {  
243         /* If the comparison succeeds, the name of the directory entry is  
244          a valid DOS device name, if prepended with "\\.". Return that  
245          valid DOS path. */  
246         wchar_t *trailing = NULL;  
247         if (ntdev.Length > tgtdev.Length)  
248             trailing = ntdev.Buffer + tgtdev.Length / sizeof (WCHAR);  
249         ULONG len = RtlUnicodeStringToAnsiSize (&odi->ObjectName);  
250         if (trailing)  
251             len += my_wcstombs (NULL, trailing, 0);  
252         free (ret);  
253         ret = (char *) malloc (len + 4);  
254         strcpy (ret, "\\\\" "\\\"");  
255         ans.Length = 0;  
256         ans.MaximumLength = len;  
257         ans.Buffer = ret + 4;  
258         RtlUnicodeStringToAnsiString (&ans, &odi->ObjectName, FALSE);  
259         if (trailing)  
260             my_wcstombs (ans.Buffer + ans.Length, trailing,  
261                         ans.MaximumLength - ans.Length);  
262     }
```



Conclusion

- Clarity is as important as precision
- GUI overcomes limitations of plain-text
- GUI capabilities are underutilized
- The *completeness vs brevity* tradeoff is rudimentary