



Application Security Tools in 2012

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Where are we headed?

Crystal Ball

- What will be discussed in 2012 regarding application security tools?



Big Apps are getting Bigger

- 3-tier architecture is gone
- Frameworks do more than ever
- Apps leverage external components
- Portal apps connect many systems
- Java and .NET are leading the charge



Small Apps are Proliferating

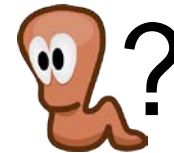
- Cars: “Average 16MLoC, 6 antennas, ring bus topology”



- Power: Generation, distribution, metering



- Mobile: iOS, Android, Win Mobile 7, BlackBerry, etc.



- There are more apps, doing more critical things, more connected to each other.

Broader Platform Support

- Adding support for new languages

Advanced Framework Support

- Framework for a Framework

End to End Analysis

- Modular Analysis

Lightweight Analysis

- String Analysis
- Incremental Analysis

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Definitions for terms used in this presentation

Framework for a Framework

- A meta-framework for describing how frameworks affect data flow, control flow, data validation, web service definitions, and so on.

Modular Analysis

- The tool learns as it scans.
- Each scan adds “rules”, so when that component is included by another project
 - Analyze faster
 - Analyze even when the original code is not available

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String Analysis

- Automatically identify validation routines, determine what vulnerability categories are mitigated by each routine.

Vulnerability Analysis Cache

- For repeat scans of the same code base, saving one of the main object models increases scan speeds by ~8x

Incremental Analysis

- Improvement on “Vulnerability Analysis Cache”, allows the model to be selectively rebuilt based on only those files which have changed.