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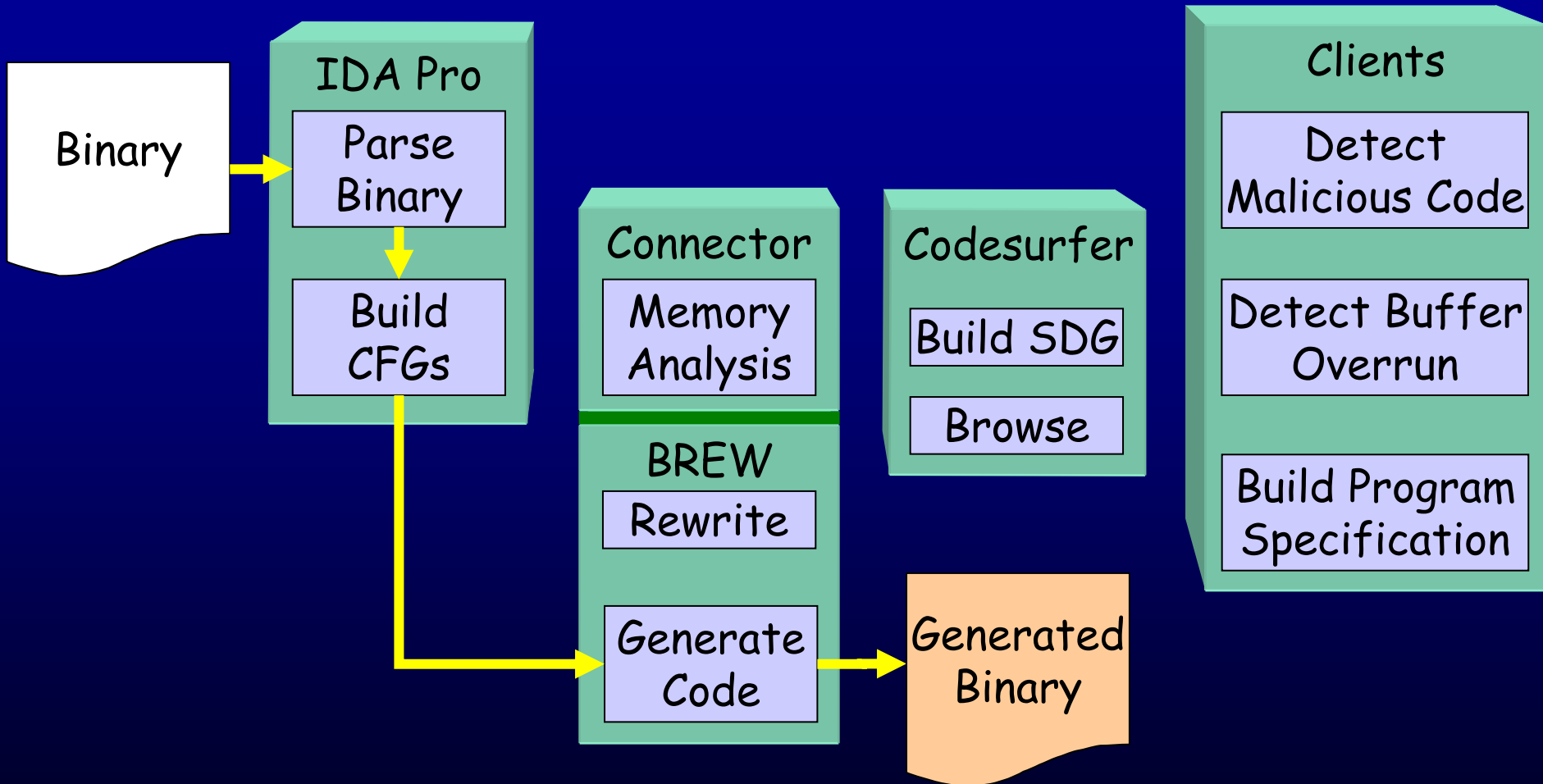
BREW—A Binary REWriting Infrastructure (Demo)

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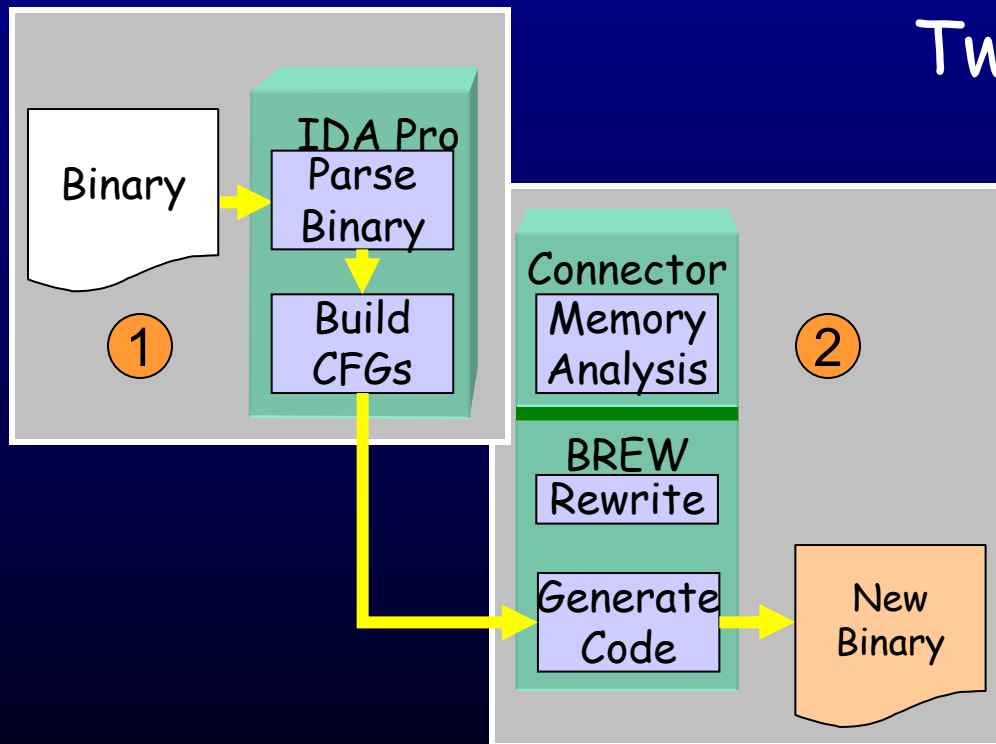
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Code Generation



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Goal: Binary-to-Binary rewriting



Two-step process:

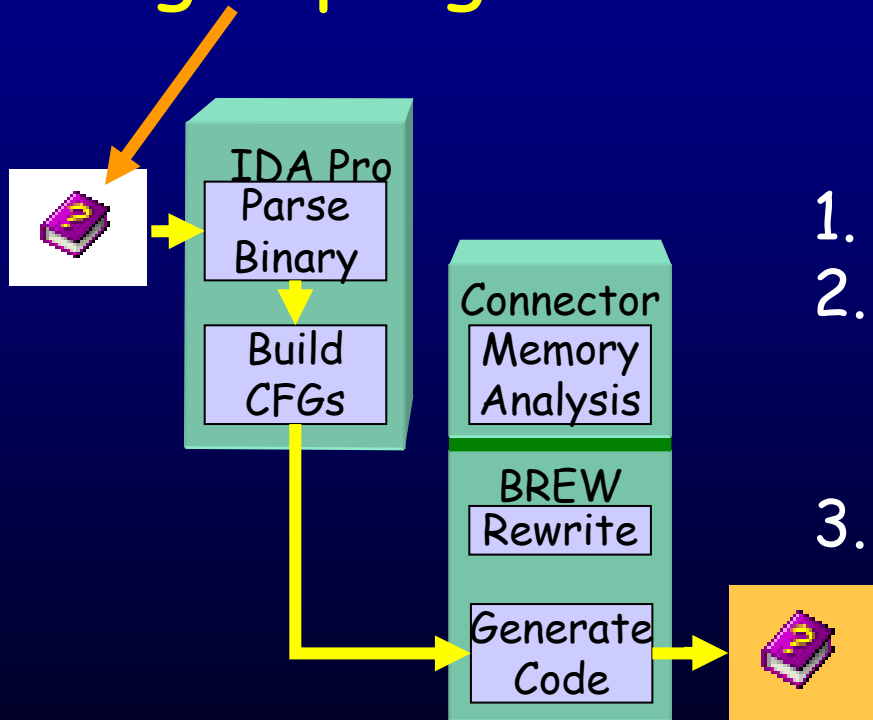
① Disassemble original binary

Intermediate Data Structures

② Reassemble new binary

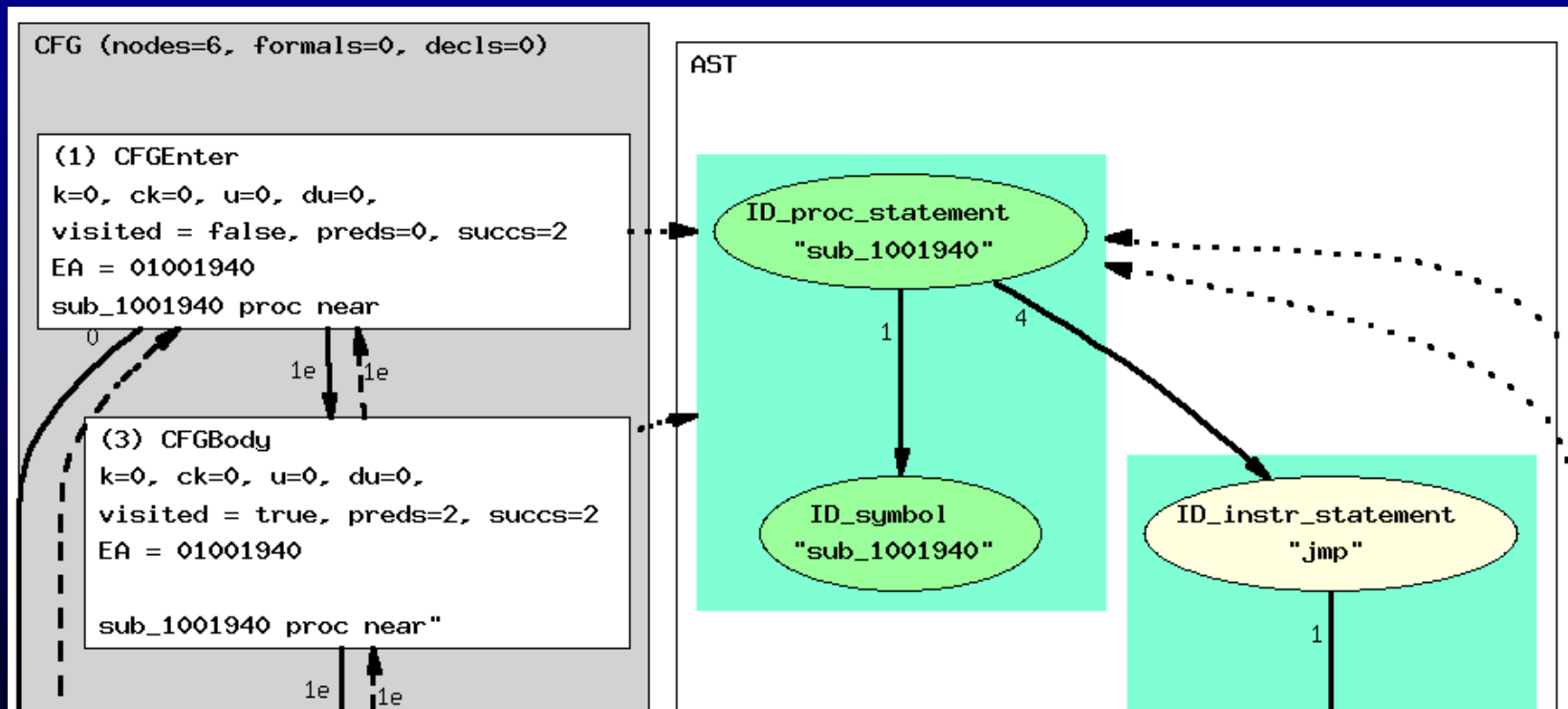
Demo Outline

Target program: Winhelp



1. Show original winhlp32.exe
2. Disassemble and reassemble new winhlp32.exe
3. Show new winhlp32.exe

Intermediate Data Structures



Technical Challenges

- How to distinguish between code and data
- Identify indirect jumps and function pointers
- How to deal with encrypted binaries
- Relocation issues

Related Work

- Dynamic rewriting
 - Paradyn/DynInst
 - Detour
- Static rewriting
 - ATOM—only works on Alpha
 - EEL—only works on Sparc
 - Vulcan—relies on Program Database (PDB)
 - UQBT—Translate from one architecture to another

Status

- Currently only support x86
 - Investigating other platforms
- Code generator prototype is working
- Rewriting API is being implemented
- Check out web page for latest status
 - <http://www.cs.wisc.edu/wisa>

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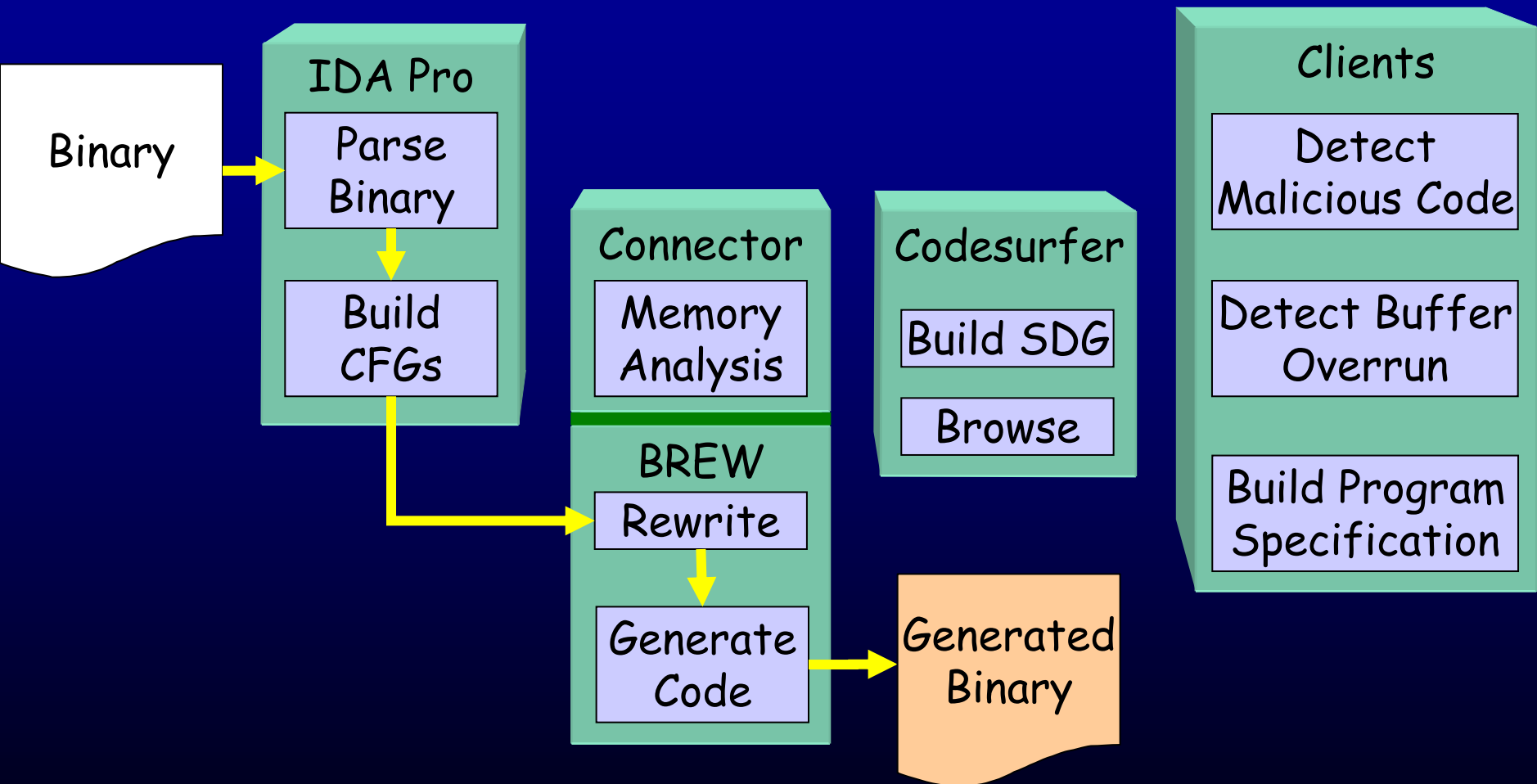
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Code Instrumentation



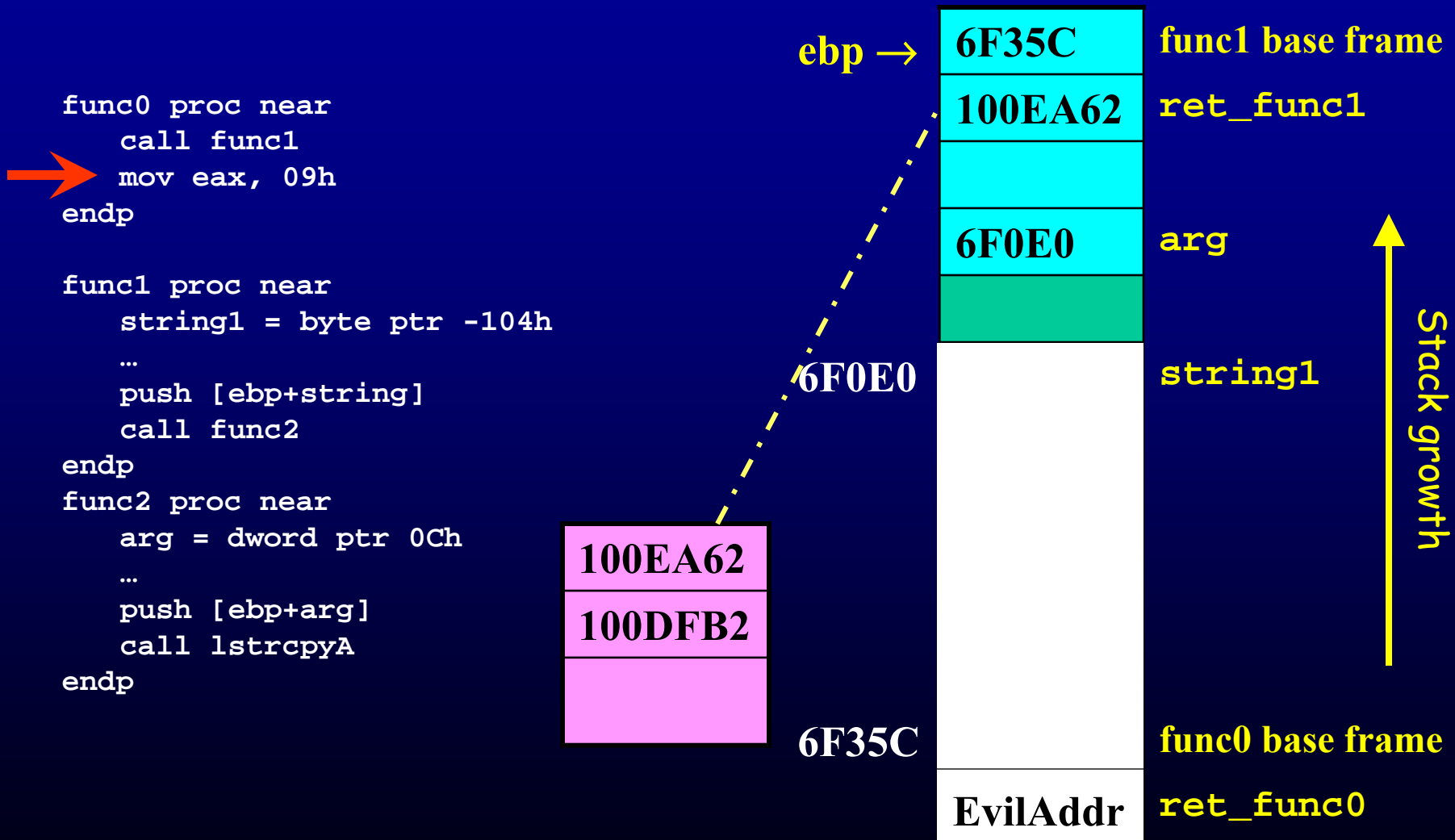
Demo Outline

- Winhlp32.exe
 - normal operation
 - buffer overrun exploit
- Instrumented winhlp32.exe with dynamic buffer overrun detection
 - maintains original behavior with valid input
 - detects overrun with malicious input



Demo

Winhlp32 Vulnerability



Winhlp32 Vulnerability

```
func0 proc near  
    call func1  
    mov eax, 09h  
endp
```

```
func1 proc near  
    string1 = byte ptr -104h  
    ...  
    push [ebp+string]  
    call func2  
endp
```

```
func2 proc near  
    arg = dword ptr ...  
    ...  
    push [ebp+arg]  
    call lstrcpyA  
endp
```

overrun!

100DFB2

6F0E0

string1

Stack growth

ebp →

EvilAddr

func0 base frame

ret_func0

Return Address Defense (RAD)

- Idea:
save a redundant copy of return address
on a different stack [Chiueh & Hsu '01]
- Implementation
 - hardware
 - source code
 - **binary**

Using BREW

```
snippet* entry_code = get_snippet();
snippet* exit_code = get_snippet();
char* save_instr[]={ "push dword ptr[esp]",
                    "call _save_ret_addr" }
char* check_instr[]={ "push dword ptr[esp]",
                    "call _verify_ret_addr" }

entry_code->insert_instruction(save_instr, 2);
exit_code->insert_instruction(check_instr, 2);
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < cfgTable->NrOfCFGs(); i++) {
    nCFG* cfg = cfgTable->GetCFG(i);
    add_entry_code(cfg, entry_code, true);
    add_exit_code(cfg, exit_code, true);
}
```

```
incorporate_obj ("ret_stack.obj")
```

Generated Assembly

```
sub_100EA2C  proc near
    push dword ptr [esp]
    call _save_ret_addr
    push ebp
    mov  ebp, esp
    sub  esp, 027ch
    ...
loc_100ECA7:
    pop  edi
    pop  esi
    pop  ebx
    push dword ptr [esp]
    call _verify_ret_addr
    leave
    retn 08h
sub_100EA2C  endp
```



Demo

Binary Implementation at Stony Brook

[Prasad & Chiueh '03]

Idea:

- Disassemble binary, identify function boundary
- Patch and edit binary image to implement RAD

Implementation:

- Based on an existing disassembler
- A specific tool that can insert instructions at function entry and exit

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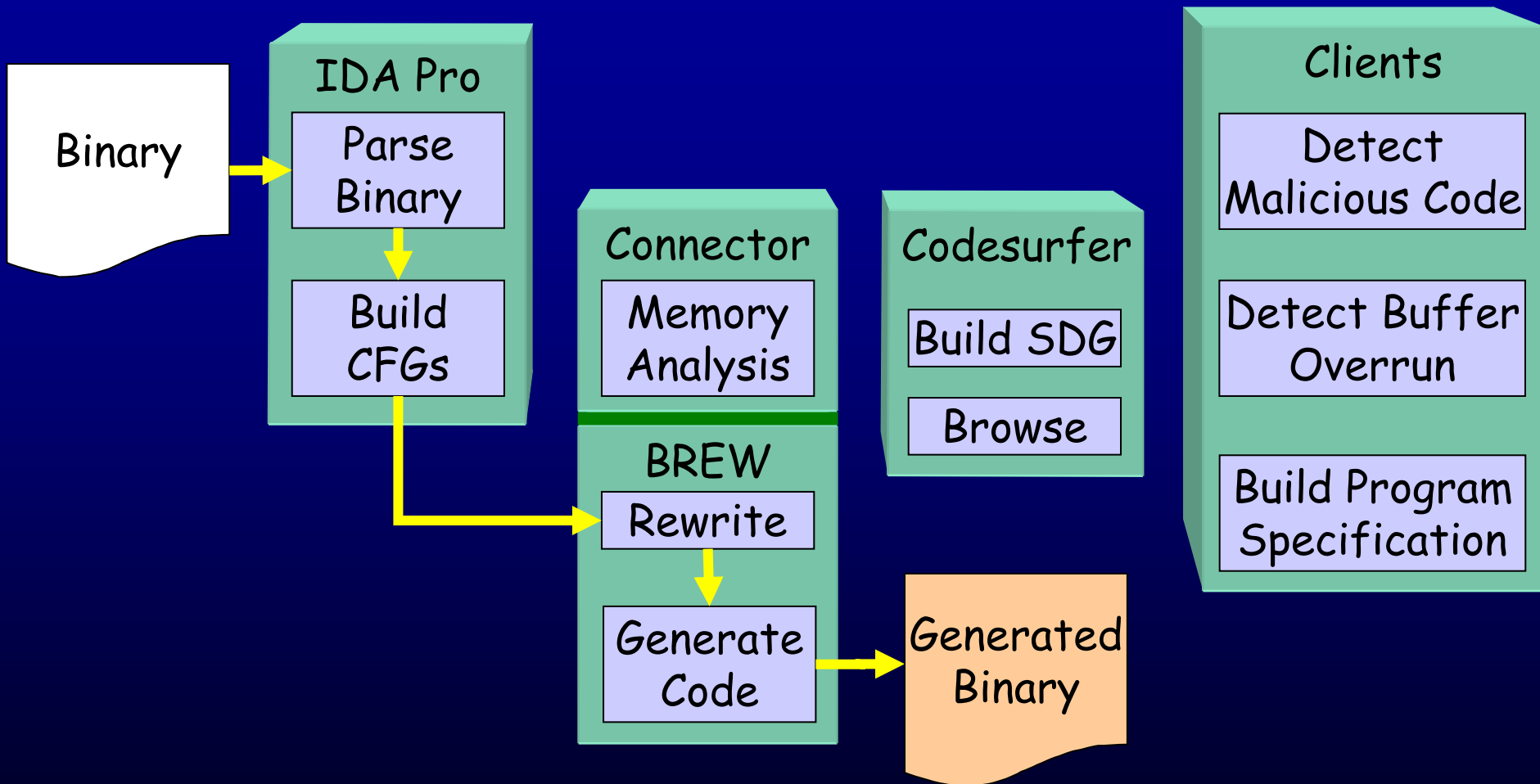
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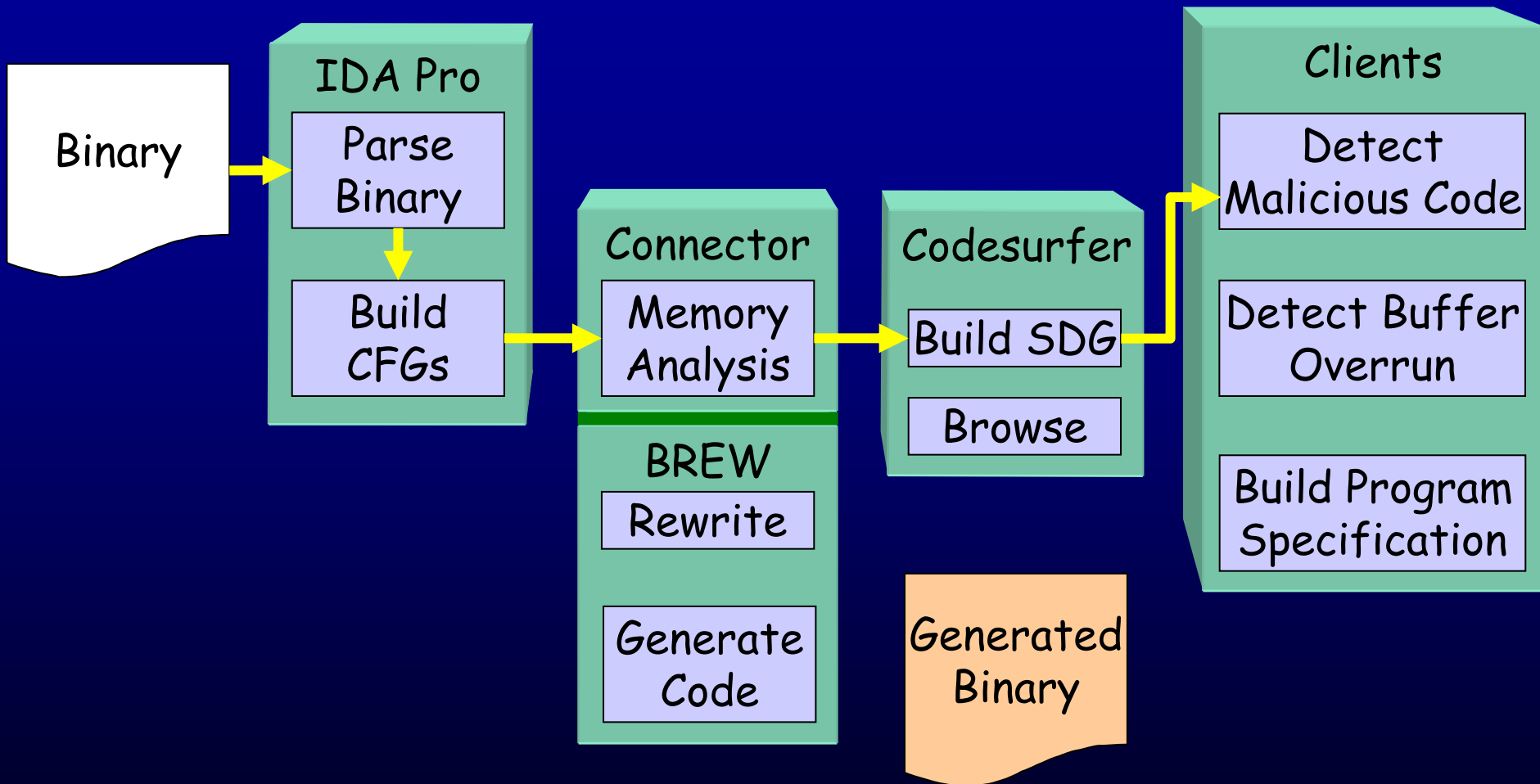
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Virus Obfuscation through Binary Code Rewriting



Malicious Code Detection



Building on the Infrastructure

Virus obfuscation

1. Disassemble
2. Rewrite
3. Generate new version

Virus detection

1. Disassemble
2. Analyze
3. Check against malicious code specification

Virus Obfuscation

Change data:

- New strings, new data
- Encode / encrypt

Change control:

- Insert garbage
- Encode / encrypt
- Reorder code
- Add new features
- ...

Types of garbage code:

- NOPs
 - instr_1
 - nop
 - nop
 - instr_2
- Simple sequences
 - instr_1
 - inc eax
 - dec eax
 - instr_2
- Complex sequences
 - Save/restore state
 - Construct/destruct data structures

Obfuscation

Virus Code (from F0sf0r0):

```
mov dword ptr [ebp+infected], 4  
lea eax,[ebp+offset DiReCtOrY0]  
push eax  
push 260  
call [ebp+GetCurrentDirectoryA]  
or eax,eax
```

Morphed Virus Code (from F0sf0r0):

```
mov dword ptr [ebp+infected], 4  
nop  
lea eax,[ebp+offset DiReCtOrY0]  
nop  
push eax  
nop  
push 260  
nop  
call [ebp+GetCurrentDirectoryA]  
or eax,eax
```

[demo]

Binary Rewriter API

- Easy to obfuscate:

```
for each procedure  $P$ 
{
    for each instruction  $I$  in  $P$ 
    {
        insert( before  $I$ , "nop" code snippet )
    }
}
generate new binary()
```

Obfuscation & Detection

- Not all obfuscations are created equal:

[demo]

- Enhanced virus detection:

[demo]

Visual Basic Malware

- Preview of VB obfuscator:

[demo]

- VB malware detector:
 - In progress

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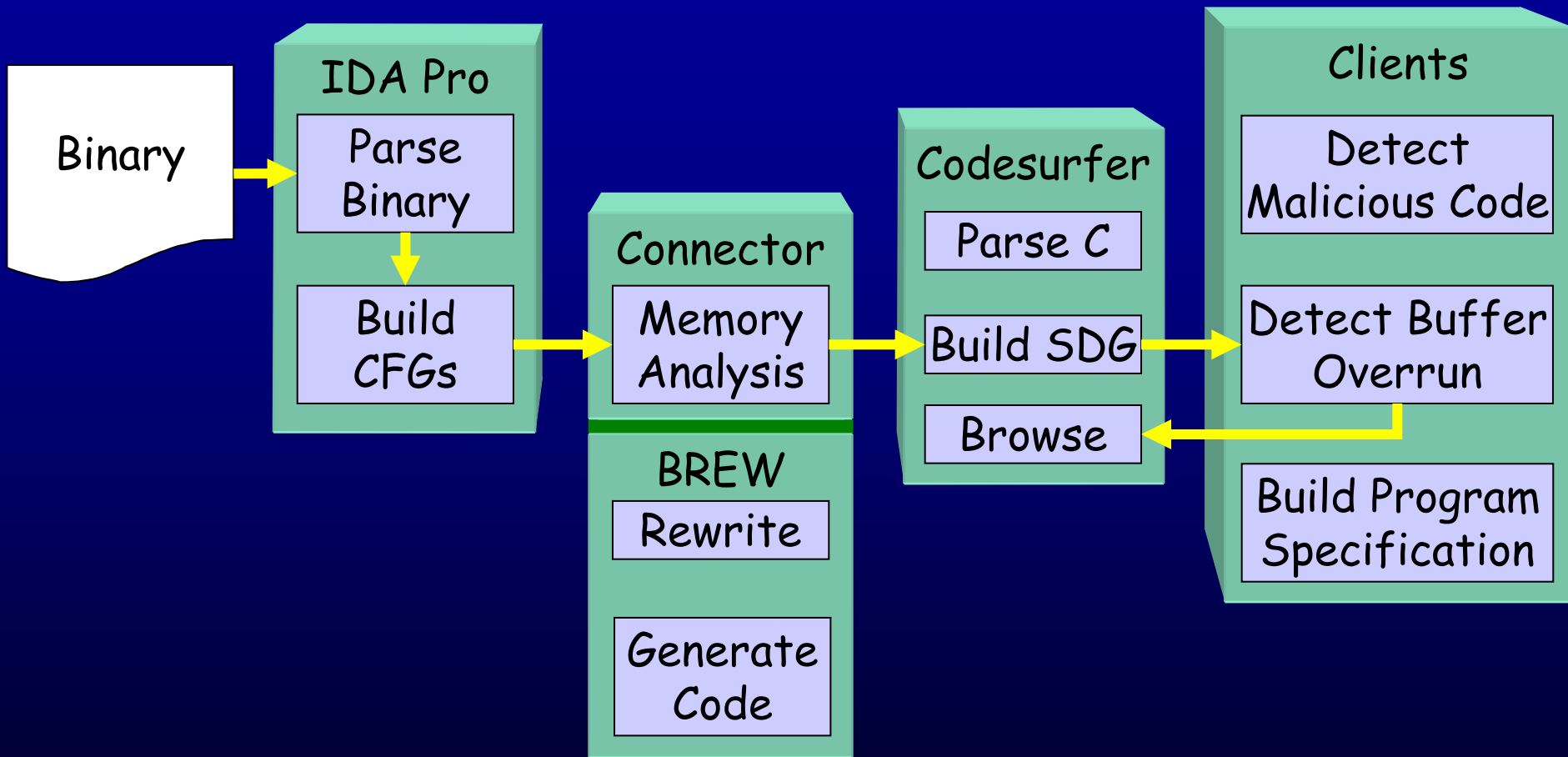
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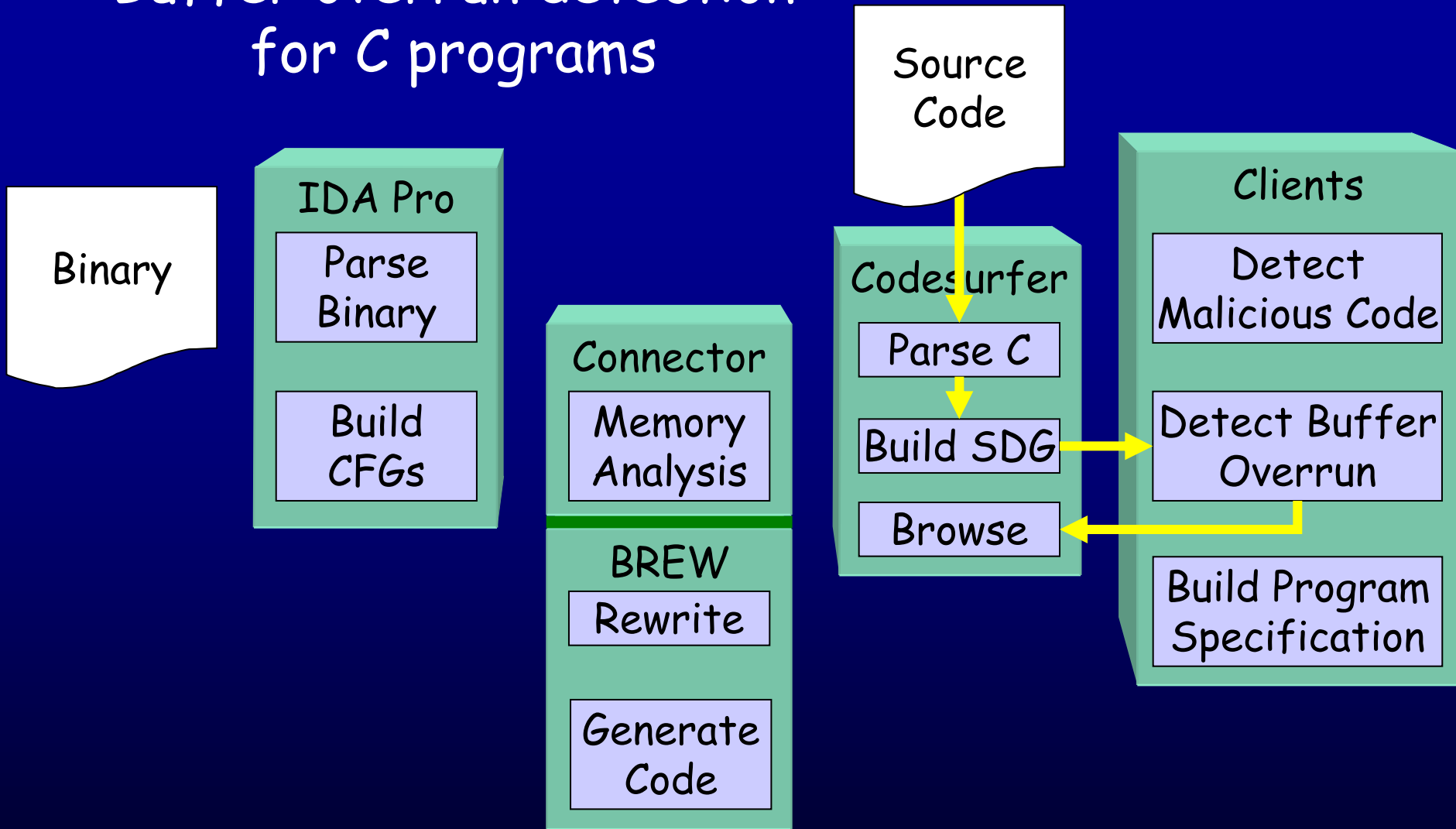
Overview

- Existing Infrastructure
 - *Static* detection of overruns on *source code*
- Goal
 - Static detection of overruns on *binaries*
 - Many ideas from source code analysis carry over

Buffer overrun detection for object code



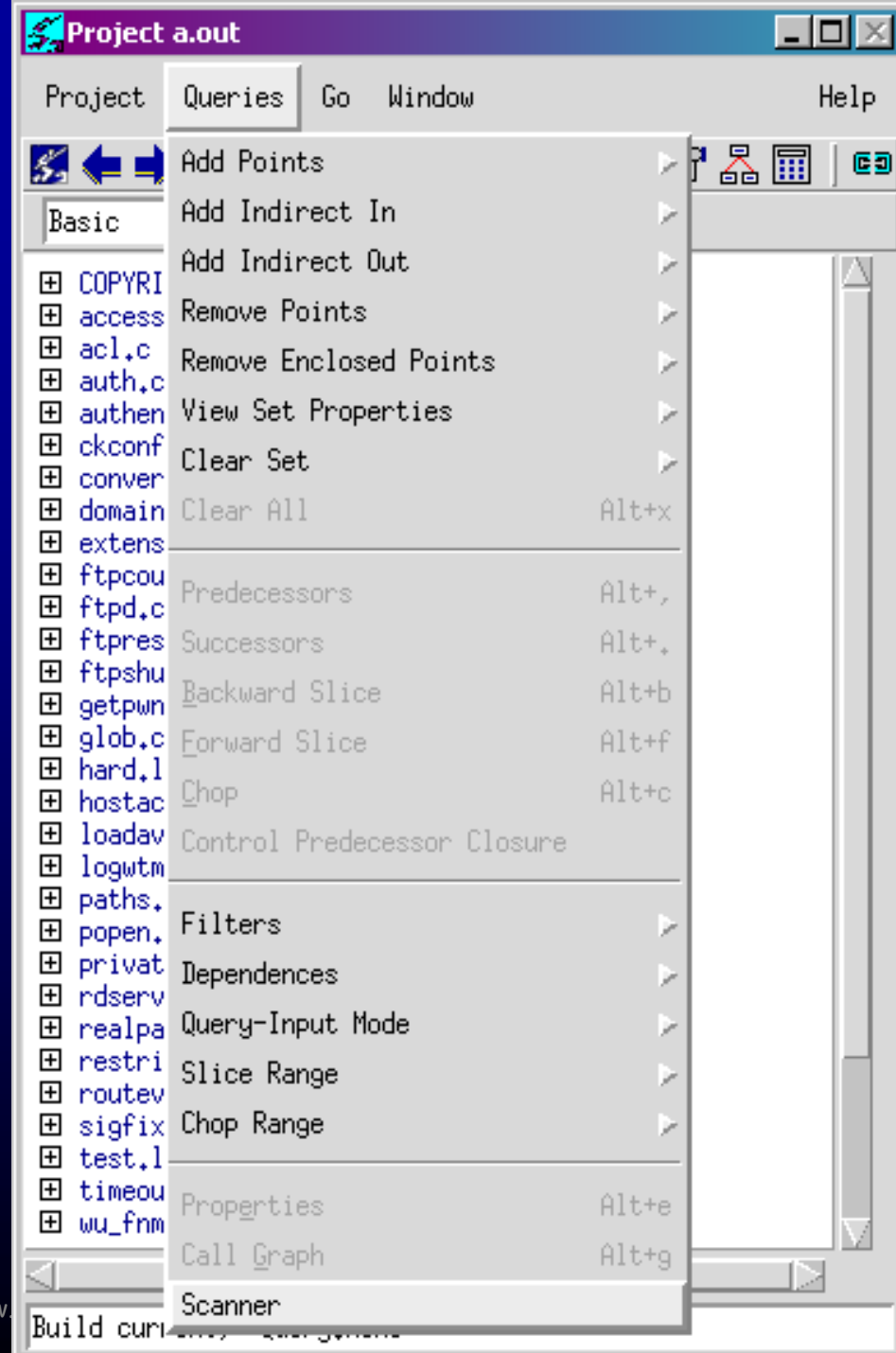
Buffer overrun detection for C programs



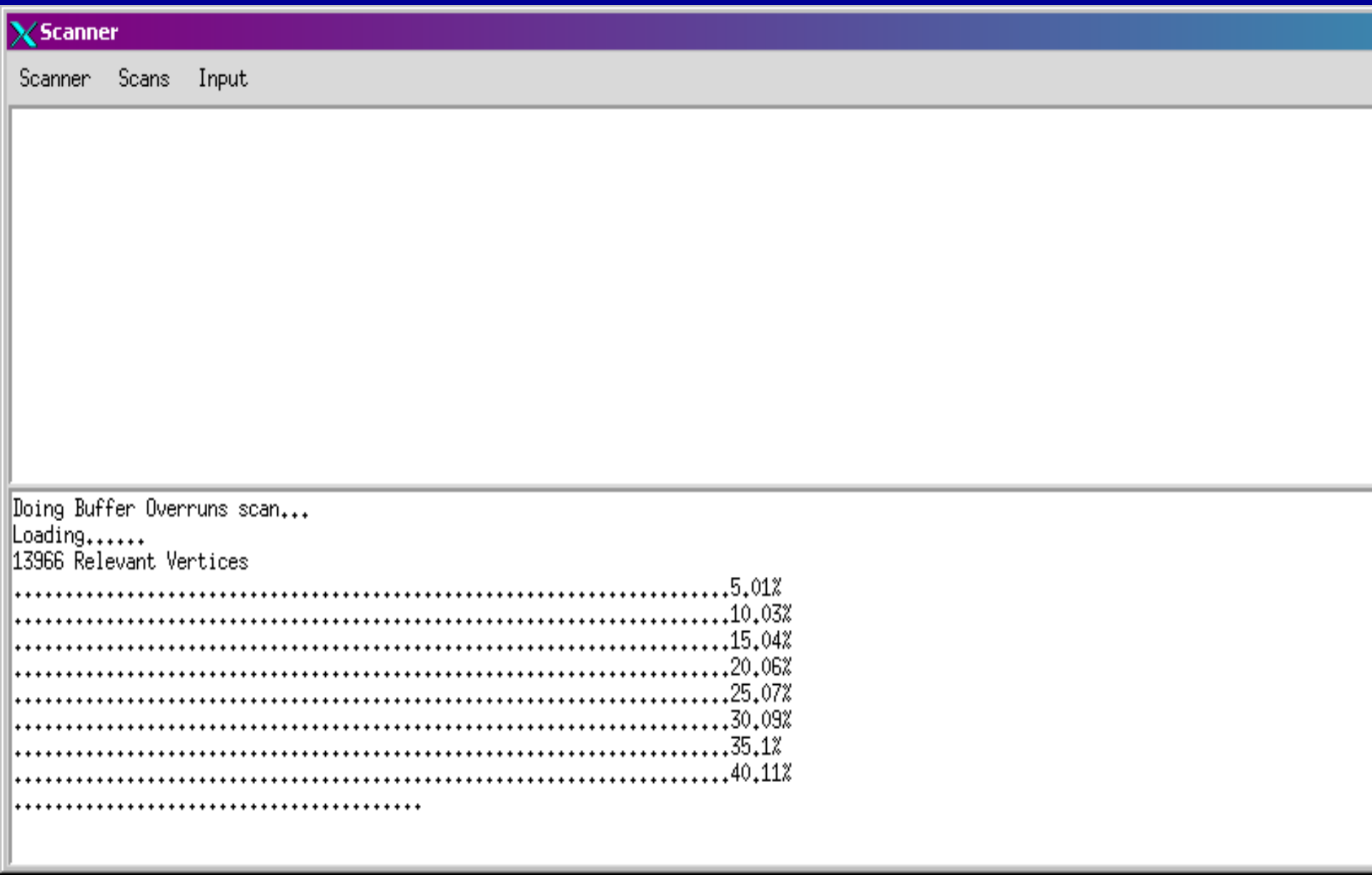
Results

- Analyzed wuftp-2.6.2
 - Popular file transfer server
 - Most recent version
 - We found 4 *new* overruns
- Demo (Codesurfer + B.O. Scanner)

Build the program
using Codesurfer.
Perform a buffer-
overruns scan



Buffer Overruns Scan in progress



Warnings on WuFtpD-2.6.2

Scanner

Scanner Scans Input

[-] Buffer Overruns (178)

- ⊕ (3) ftpd.c :: vreply :: buf Allocated: 8192..8192 Used: -0..8196
- ⊕ (3) ftprestart.c :: main'''''' :: altmsgpath Allocated: 4095..4095 Used: -0..16383
- [-] (3) ftprestart.c :: main'''''' :: root Allocated: 4095..4095 Used: -0..8192
 - [call-site] strcpy()
 - [declaration] (Local) root
- [-] (3) rdservers.c :: read_servers_line :: accesspath Allocated: 1024..4095 Used: -0..8192
 - [call-site] strcpy()
 - [call-site] read_servers_line()
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- ⊕ (4) access.c :: acl_denu :: msopathbuf Allocated: 4095..4095 Used: -0..+INF

[call-site] strcpy()

Source Code:

```
rdservers.c:103: strcpy(accesspath, acp);
```

Constraints:

```
{Priority 3} accesspath!len CONTAINS + acp!len WHICH EQUALS [-0..8192]  
acp!len IS IN [-0..8192]
```


Source code corresponding to the warning

```
rdservers.c
File Edit Functions Queries Go Window
[Navigation icons: Home, Back, Forward, Search, Print, Close, Undo, Redo, Refresh, Stop, Run, Find, Copy, Paste, Print, Run]

    ecp = acp;

    while (*ecp && (!isspace(*ecp)) && *ecp != '\n')
        ++ecp;

    *ecp = '\0';

    if ((hp = gethostbyname(hcp)) != NULL) {
        struct in_addr in;
        memcpy(&in, hp->h_addr, sizeof(in));
        strcpy(hostaddress, inet_ntoa(in));
    }
    else
        strcpy(hostaddress, hcp);

    strcpy(accesspath, acp);

    return (1);
}
return (0);
}
#endif
```

Can now employ other queries
e.g. Slicing, Data Predecessor

```
rdservers.c
File Edit Functions Queries Go Window
[Navigation icons]

while (fgets(buffer, BUFSIZ, svrfp) != NULL) {
    /* Find first non-whitespace character */
    for (bcp = buffer; ((*bcp == '\t') || (*bcp == ' ')); bcp++);

    /* Get rid of comments */
    if ((ecp = strchr(buffer, '#')) != NULL)
        *ecp = '\0';

    /* Skip empty lines */
    if ((bcp == ecp) || (*bcp == '\n'))
        continue;

    /* separate parts */

    hcp = bcp;
    for (acp = hcp;
         (*acp && !isspace(*acp)); acp++);

    /* better have something in access path or skip the line */
    if (!*acp)
        continue;

    *acp++ = '\0';

    while (*acp && isspace(*acp))
        acp++;

    /* again better have something in access path or skip the line */
    if (!*acp)
        continue;

    ecp = acp;

    while (*ecp && (!isspace(*ecp)) && *ecp != '\n')
        ++ecp;

    *ecp = '\0';

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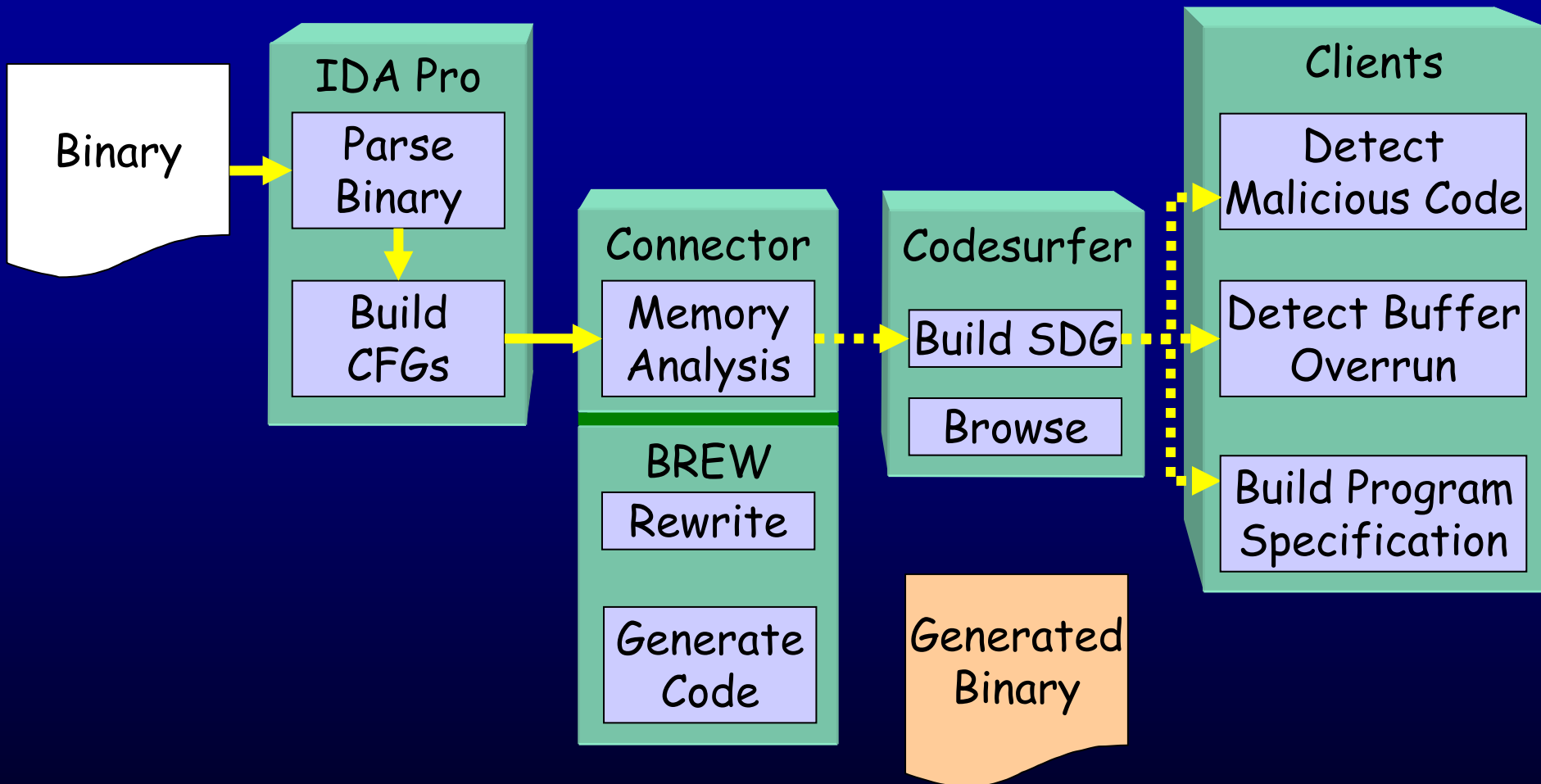
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Value-set Analysis



Existing CodeSurfer/x86

- Existing CodeSurfer/x86
 - Ignores pointer-arithmetic
 - Unsafe used, killed and c-killed sets
 - ⇒ Data dependences missing

Enhanced CodeSurfer/x86

- Value-set analysis (VSA)
 - combined pointer and numeric analysis
 - takes care of pointer-arithmetic
 - safe used, killed, c-killed sets
 - generates reports
 - color-code program listing
 - sample reports
 - possible buffer overruns
 - conditions when sets are not safe
 - etc.,

Example Program

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    int buf[20], a[6], sum=0;
    int i;
    /*Initialize buf*/
    for(i=0; i<25; ++i) {
        buf[i]=i;
    }
    /*Read from a */
    for(int j=0; j<6; ++i) {
        sum = sum + a[i];
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Buffer
overrun

→ *Initialize buf*

for(i=0; i<25; ++i) {

buf[i]=i;

}

/*Read from a */

for(int j=0; j<6; ++i) {

sum = sum + a[i];

}

return 0;

}

```
sub     esp, 68h
xor     eax, eax
xor     ecx, ecx
lea     edx, [esp]
loc_B:
mov     [edx], ecx
inc     ecx
add     edx, 4
cmp     ecx, 19h
jl      short loc_B

push   esi
lea    ecx, [esp+84]
mov    edx, 6
loc_20:
mov     esi, [ecx]
add     ecx, 4
add     eax, esi
dec     edx
jnz    short loc_20
pop     esi
add     esp, 68h
retn
```


Example Program

[CodeSurfer/x86 without VSA]

[CodeSurfer/x86 with VSA]

```
sub     esp, 68h
xor     eax, eax
xor     ecx, ecx
lea     edx, [esp]
loc_B:
mov     [edx], ecx
inc     ecx
add     edx, 4
cmp     ecx, 19h
jl     short loc_B

push   esi
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add     ecx, 4
add     eax, esi
dec     edx
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pop     esi
add     esp, 68h
retn
```

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