

The Tool Developer and the SWAMP

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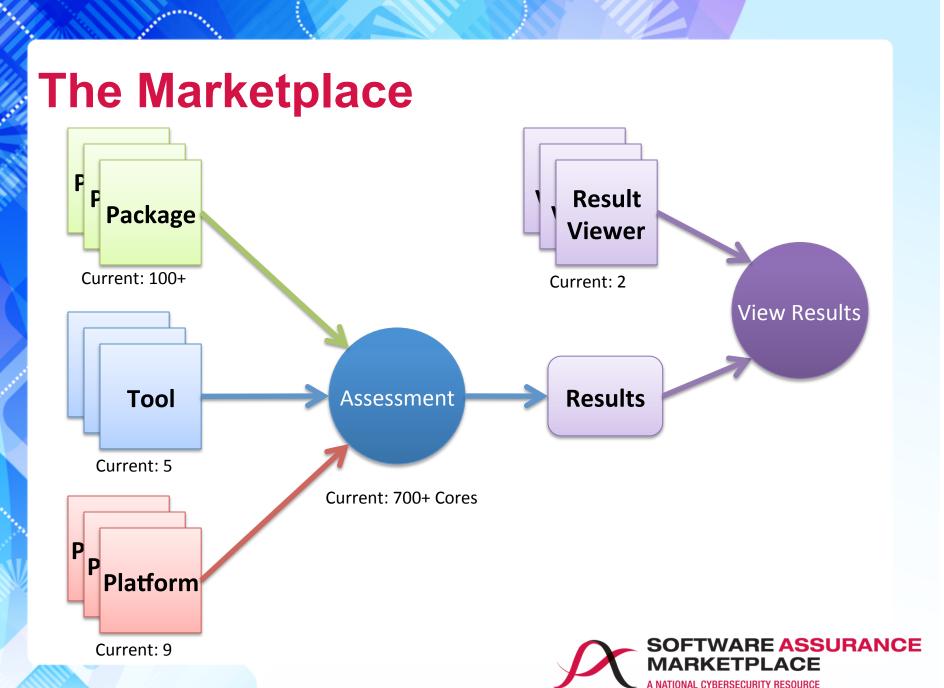
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http://continuousassurance.org

Software Assurance Marketplace

- Web based facility to assess software using software assurance tools
- No cost to use
- Funded by Department of Homeland Security,
 Science and Technology Directorate (5 year grant)
- Supports multiple communities including:
 - Software Developers
 - SwA Tool Developers
 - Researchers
 - Educators





Collaboration Between 4 Institutions











SATE V Involvement

- Hosted VMs used in SATE V
- Produced results for 3 SwA tools applied to SATE V software packages:
 - FindBugs
 - o PMD
 - Clang Static Analyzer
- Converted results to SATE XML format



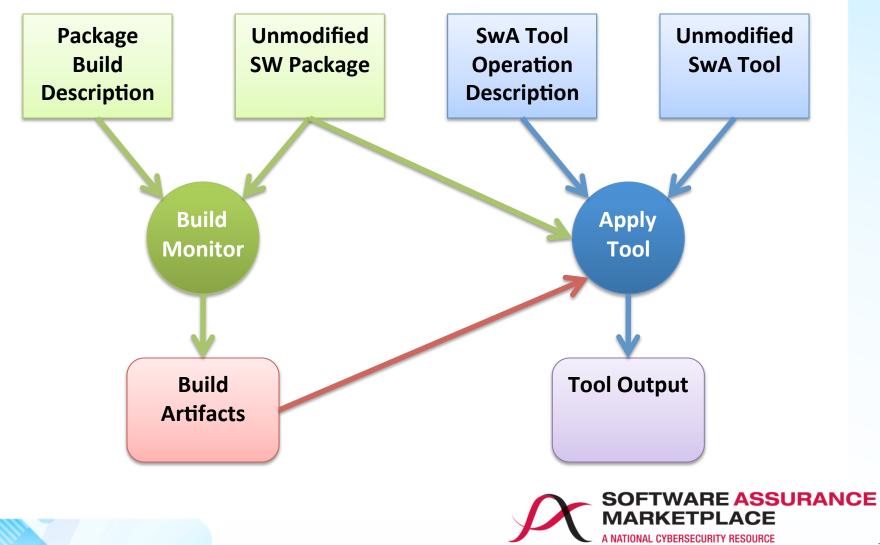
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(coming soon)

- Build and test your tool
- Continuous Integration and Assurance of your tool
- Expose your tool to users
 - Make your tool available to selected users
 - Easy for SWAMP users to try and use your tool
- Limited scope tools still add value
- SWAMP provides plumbing and glue
 - Simplifies correctly applying your tool
 - Easy to use for both the tool and package developer
 - No changes to code
 - No changes to build



Our Approach to Assessments



Build and Test (coming soon)

- Upload and build your tool on any of the SWAMP platforms
 - Apply SwA tools to your tool
 - Interactive debugging support
- Test your tool against packages
 - Our packages include
 - Juliet test suite for C/C++ and Java
 - Recent SATE C/C++ and Java packages
 - Working on adding older packages
 - Add your own packages



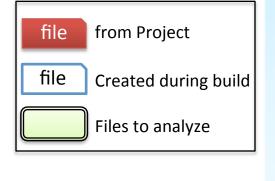
Current Approaches for Applying Open Source Tools

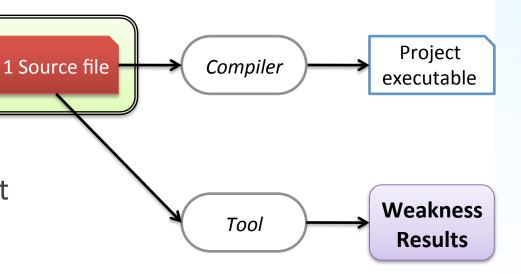
- Look for all sources under a directory, apply tool
 - May not be right set of files
- Give instructions on how to call the tool or modify the build system
 - Difficult for developer to modify build correctly
- Make assumptions about build environment to insert a shim to capture relevant build operations
 - Fragile if assumptions are violated
- Ignore aspects of build such as command options and environment
 - Tool operates on different code than compiled



Ideal Static Assessment

- One directory, one executable
- Source code
 - Few files
 - Standard include files
- Standard libraries
- One tool
 - Source as input
 - Weaknesses as output







Real World Is More Complex

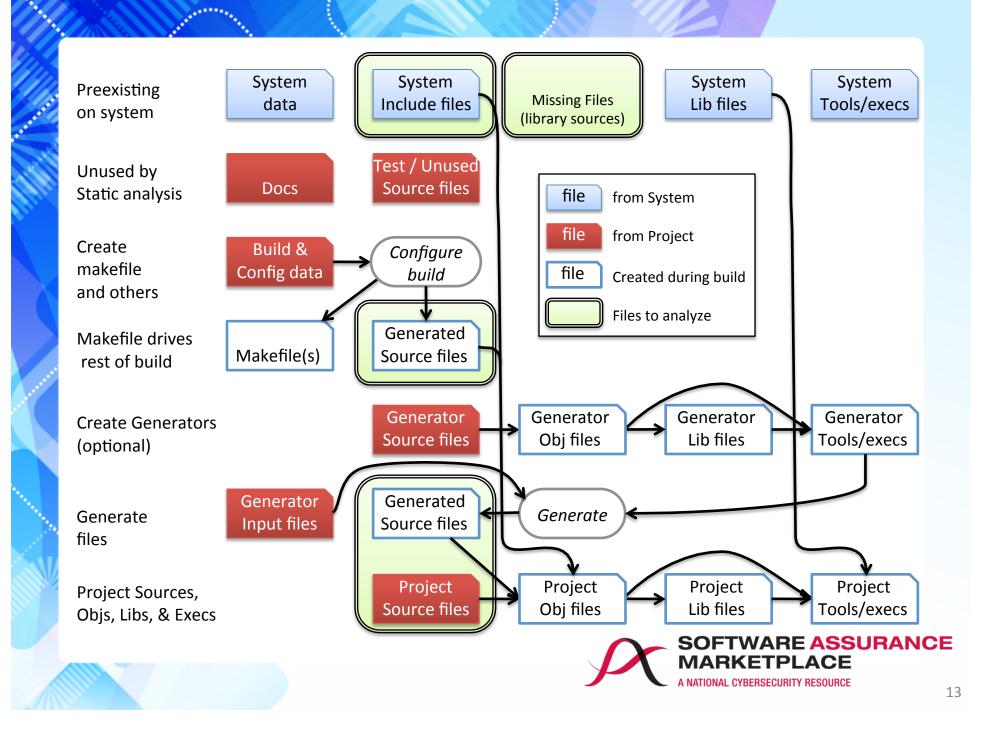
- Multiple source files
 - Separate compilation
 - Used to create libraries and executables
- Multiple executables
- Build generators, multi-level makefiles, custom scripts, complex conditional compiling criteria.
- Not obvious what to assess (no easily obtained list)
 - Generated files
 - System and 3rd party files outside of project directories
 - Command line arguments determine what is compiled, archived and linked, but also the source compiled through macro definitions and header file locations
- For each executable need to assess exactly those source files used in the creation of the executable



Difficult to Determine Sources to Assess

- Build information is not declarative
- The build is a many programs that run to build the software and has many layers
 - Build configuration layer
 - Make drives build process
 - Calls shell code snippets
 - Generates source code and executables for build
- Capturing build tool invocations is non-trivial





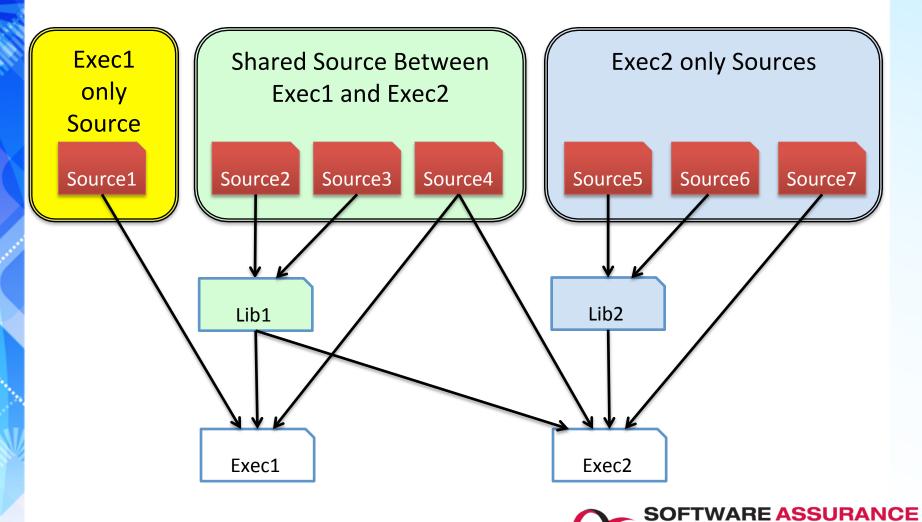
Assessing a Package

- A package is usually contains many executables
- Need to determine:
 - What executables exists
 - What source files used in build
 - Whole package analysis not acceptable
 Must be whole program by executable
- Too complex to leave to humans, requires automated tool
- Some tools seem to do whole package

 (all the sources compiled in the package)



Multiple Executable per Package

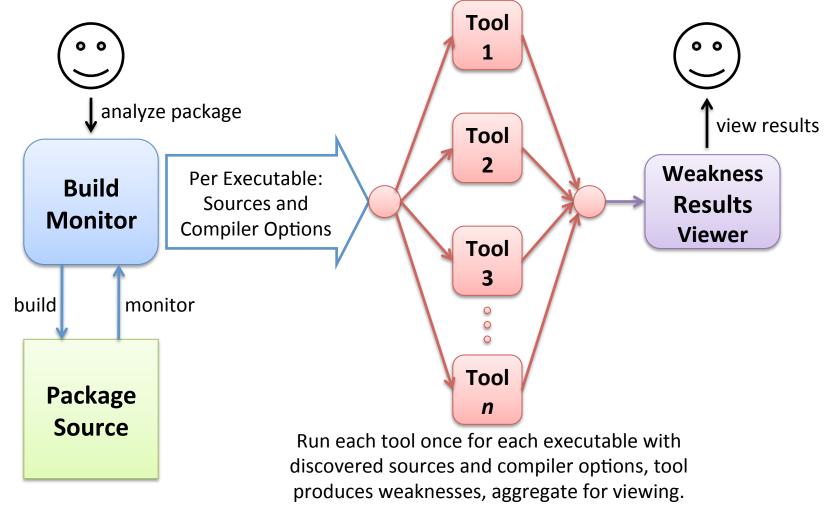


Current State

- Have generic tool to determine build information
 - Any build process for C/C++
 - Ant and Maven builds for Java
- Captures executable invocation of build process
 - Command path
 - Full arguments
 - o environment
 - Current directory path
- Determine build information from known compiler, archiver, linker, and common utilities invocation
- This by itself gives tool writers a leg up
- Will be released as open source



Build Monitor Tool Use



Future Directions

- New tools: OCLint, Jlint, Checkstyle, ...
- New versions of tools
- New language support
- New packages for testing
- New platforms: MacOS, Android, iOS, Windows,
 .Net, Java 8, ...
- New types of testing: dynamic, ...
- New result viewers
- Analytics
- APIs



Questions

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(Support for tool developers and other improvements coming soon)

