

# SATE V – Red Lizard Software

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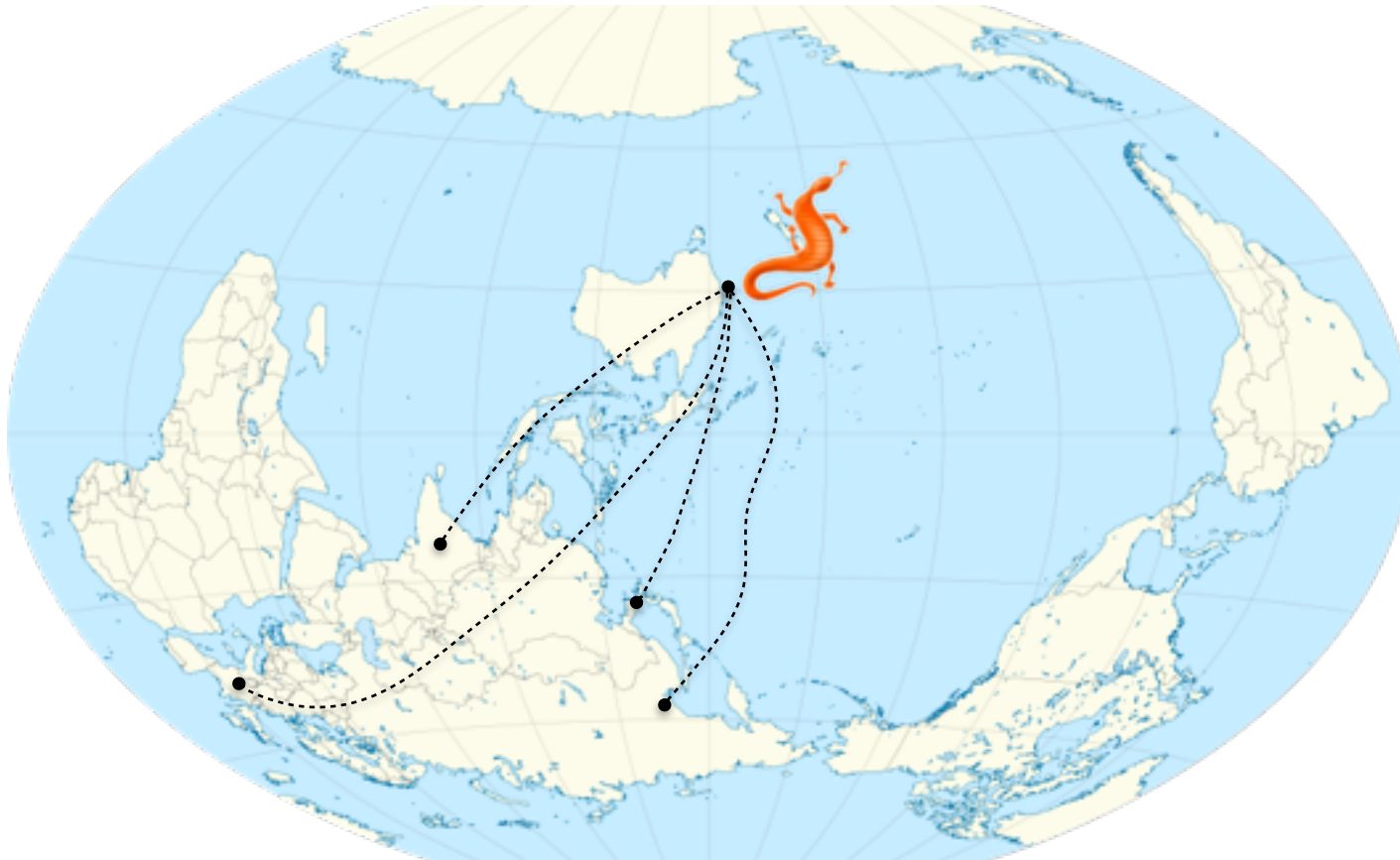
# Red Lizard Software



**Red Lizard Software**  
Funded 2009  
Engineering Staff: 7



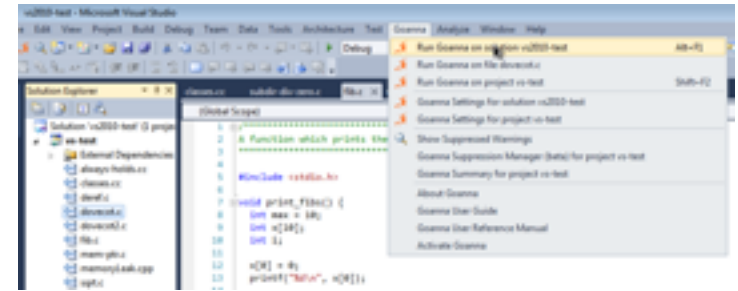
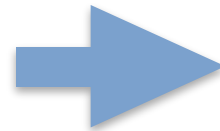
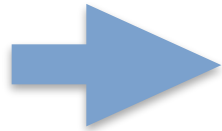
Approx 600 researchers  
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# Goanna Static Analysis Tool



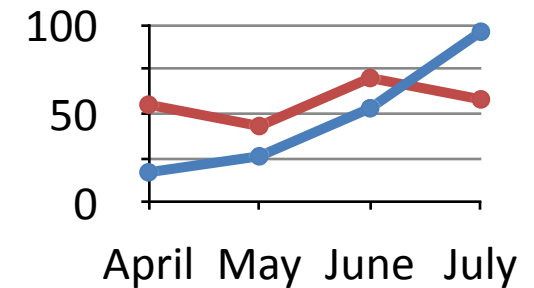
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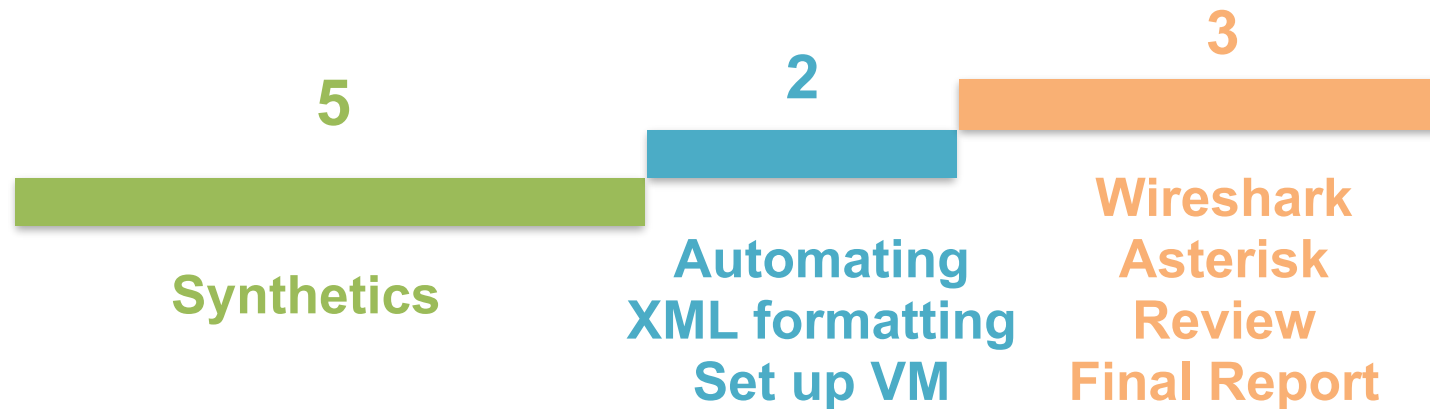
## Static Analysis + Model-Checking

- Fully automatic
- Whole program analysis
- Intra-procedural context sensitive
- Inter-procedural bottom-up
- Pointer aliasing
- Refinement

History



# Resources for SATE V



10 days

3 Staff: 2 Engineering Staff, 1 researcher

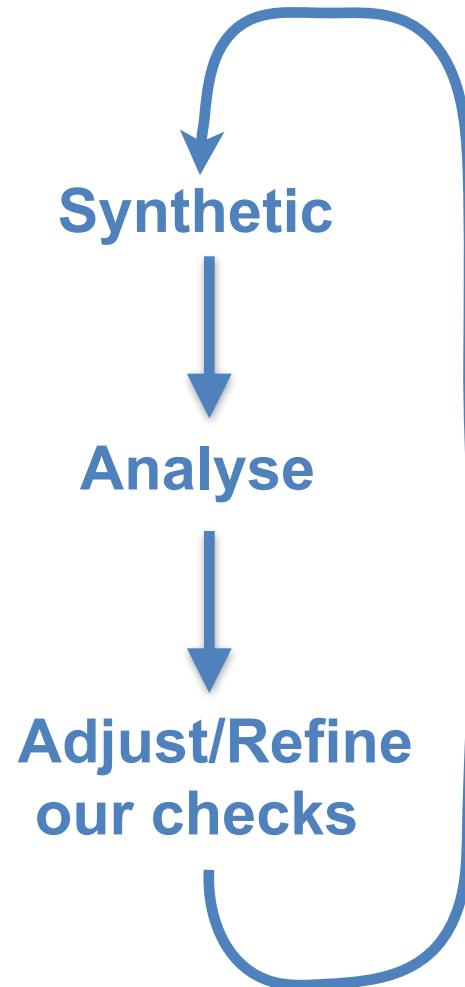
Hardware: Intel i7, 3Ghz, 8GB, Linux

# Analysis Plan

**1 – Map CWE to Goanna checks**

**2 – Source of FP and FN**

**3 – Adjust/Modify/Add check**

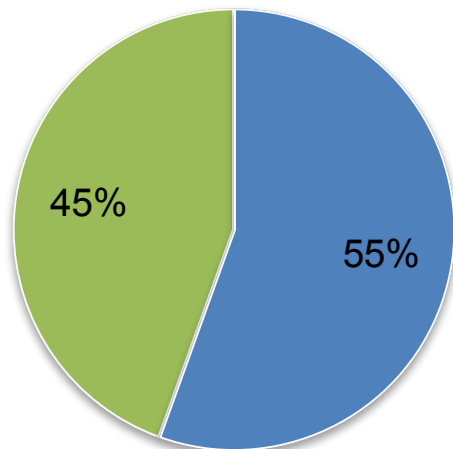


**Total:  
3 iterations**

# Results Juliet Test Suite

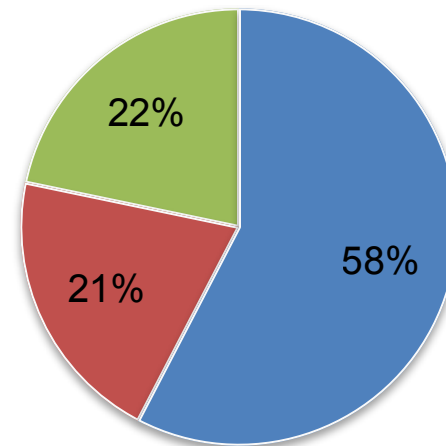
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Double-free  
CWE 415



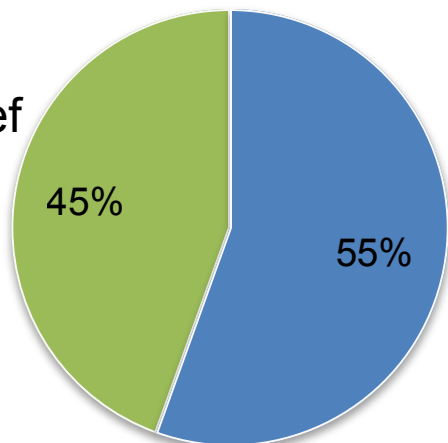
Divide-by-zero  
CWE 369

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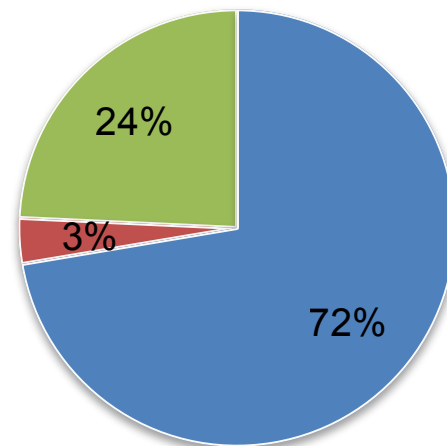
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NULL-pointer deref  
CWE 476



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Array-out-of-bounds  
CWE 124, 126

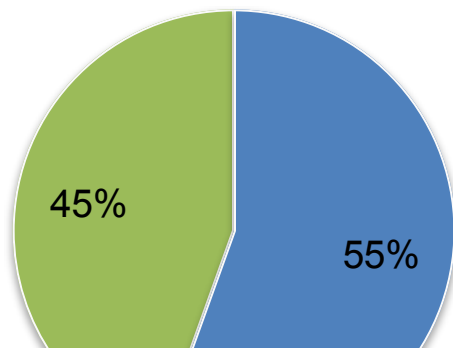


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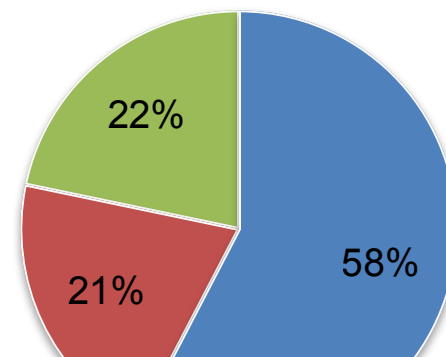
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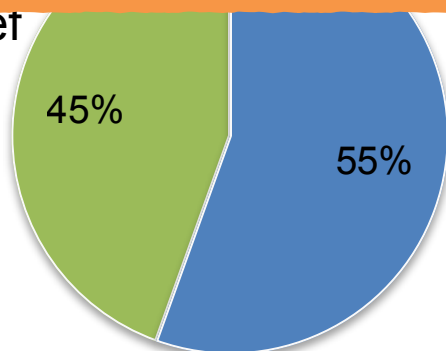


**FalseNeg.** Due to custom “malloc”, syntactic variations of Goanna checkers.

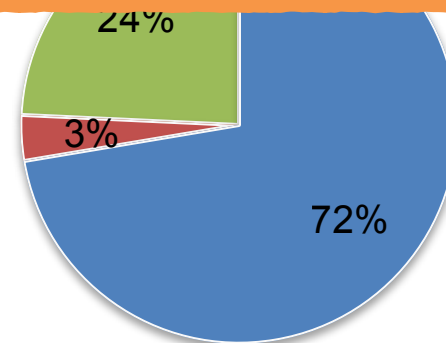
**FalsePos.** Goanna checker is more versatile than CWE: checker for all methods, but CWE for “static” methods.

**Solution:** refine Goanna checkers, customization of some checkers

NULL-pointer deref  
CWE 476



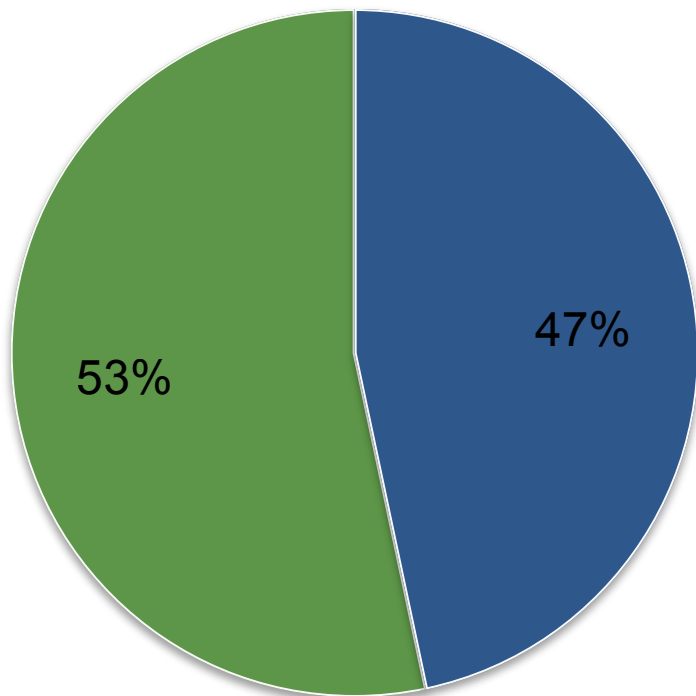
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# Results Wireshark/Asterisk

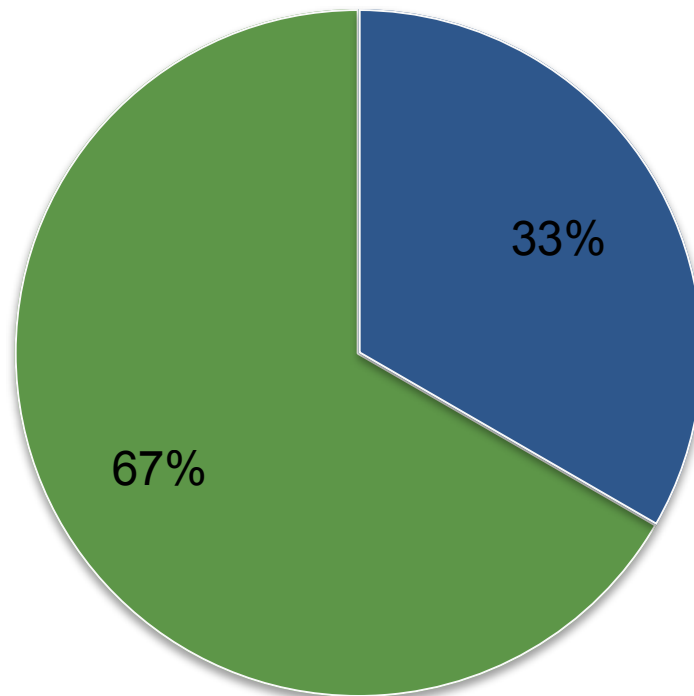
**Asterisk: 30 selected**

● FalsePos      ● TruePos



**Wireshark: 30 selected**

● FalsePos      ● TruePos



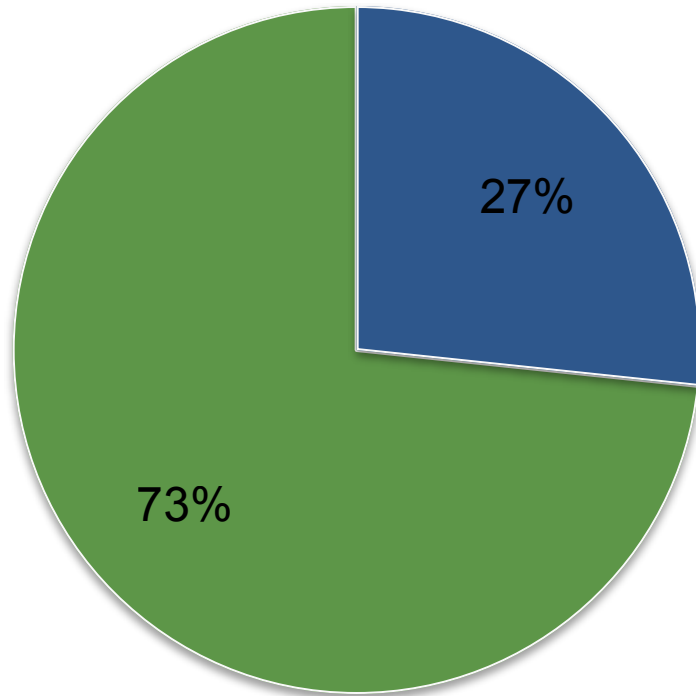
**NIST results**



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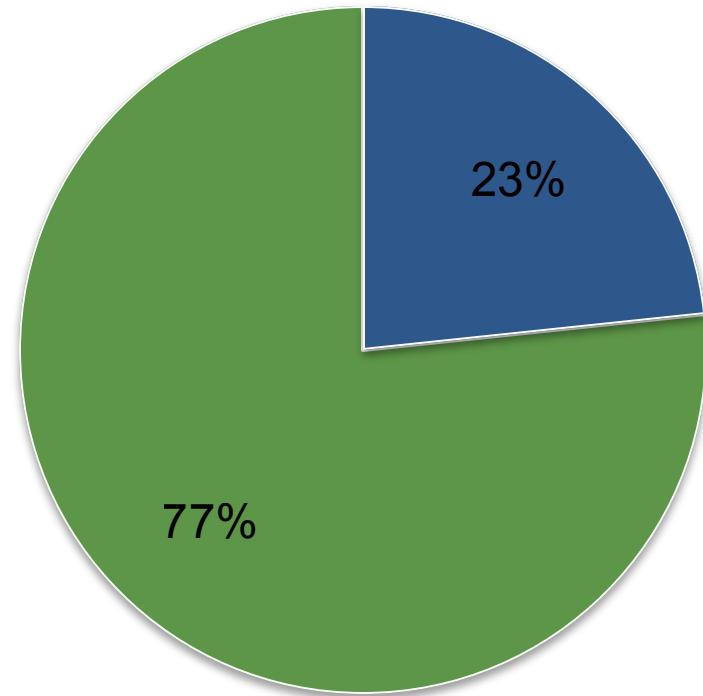
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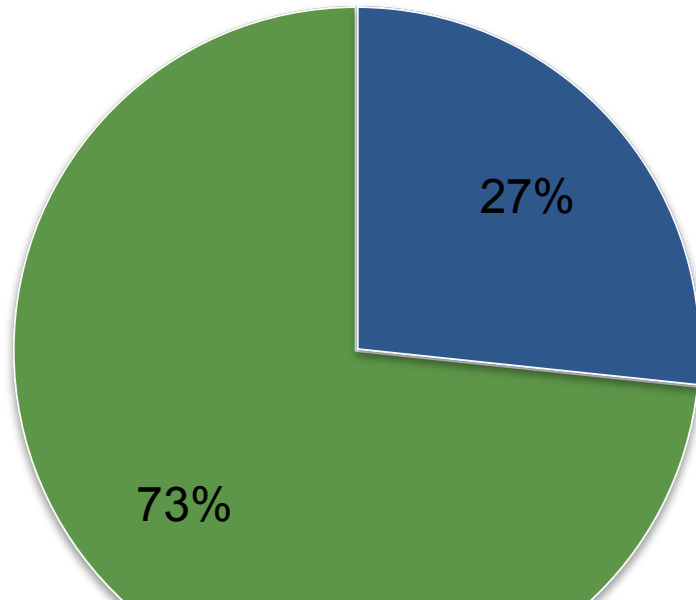


**Our Evaluation**

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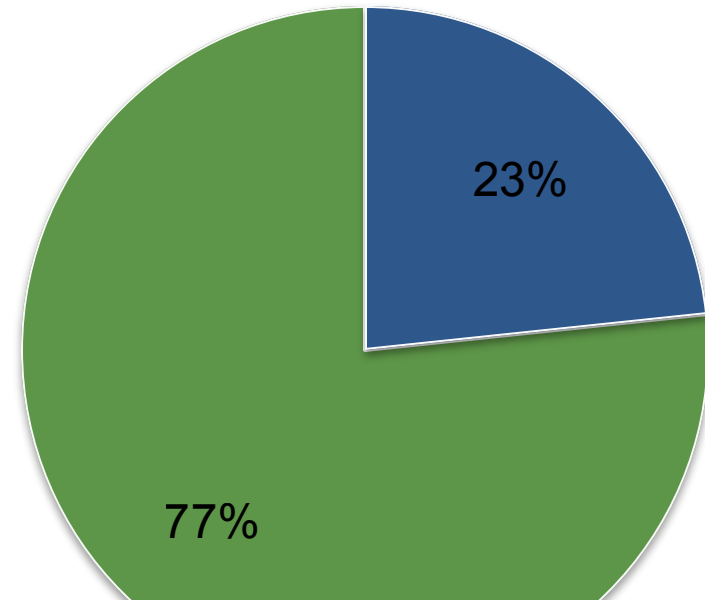
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*Example of disagreement:*

**NIST evaluator: FalsePos.** “yes a file is read [...] but this is a config file so harmless.”

**RedLizards: TruePos.** The information that the file is a config file is not available for the software analyser Goanna and thus this file cannot be trusted.

# Lessons Learnt

- New checks and map CWE to Goanna checks
- Classes of defects we are not looking for
  - Syntactic
  - Variations of Goanna checks (some are now implemented)
  - Challenging defects (require inter-procedural, alias analysis, etc)
- Juliet test cases
  - Added to our nightlies tests
  - Used in the next generation Goanna

# That's a (Australian) Goanna!

