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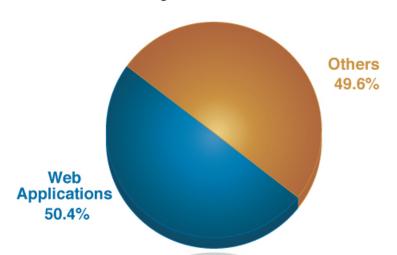
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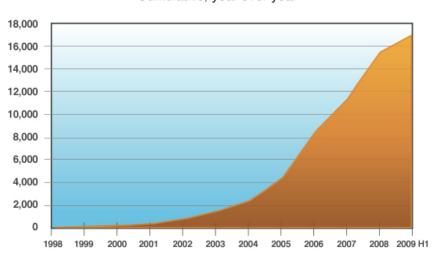
Web App Vulnerabilities Continue to Dominate

- 50.4% of all vulnerabilities are Web application vulnerabilities
- SQL injection and Cross-Site
 Scripting are neck and neck
 in a race for the top spot

Web Application Vulnerabilities as a Percentage of All Disclosures in 2009 H1



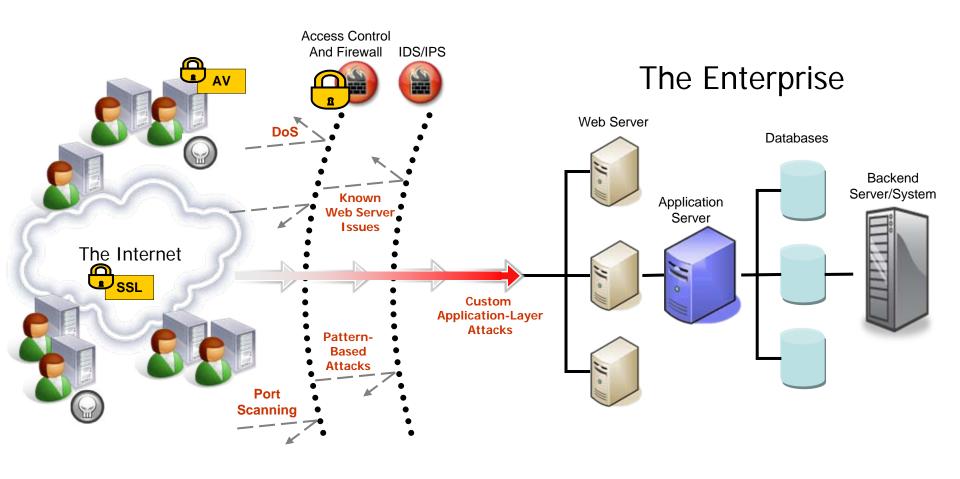
Vulnerability Disclosures Affecting Web Applications Cumulative, year over year



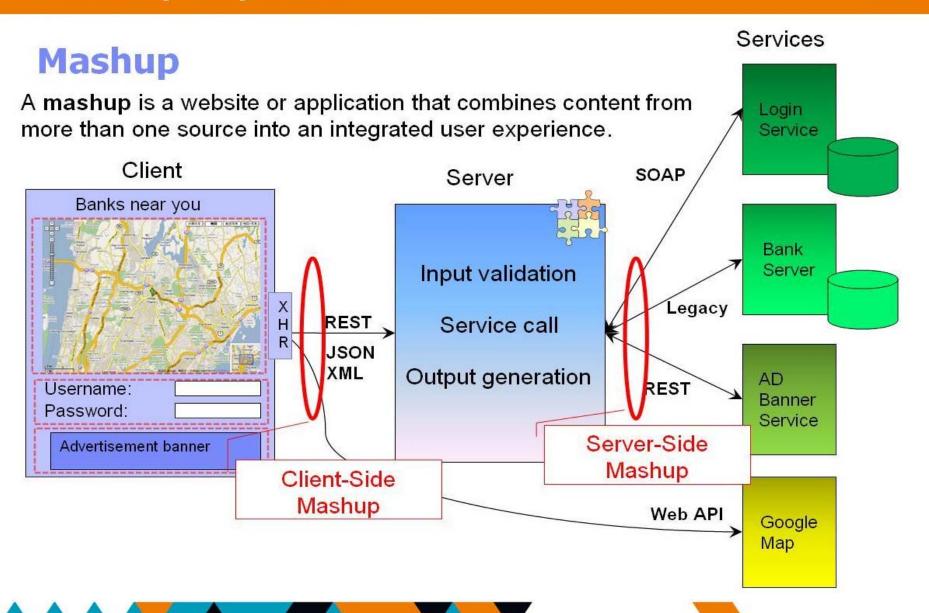
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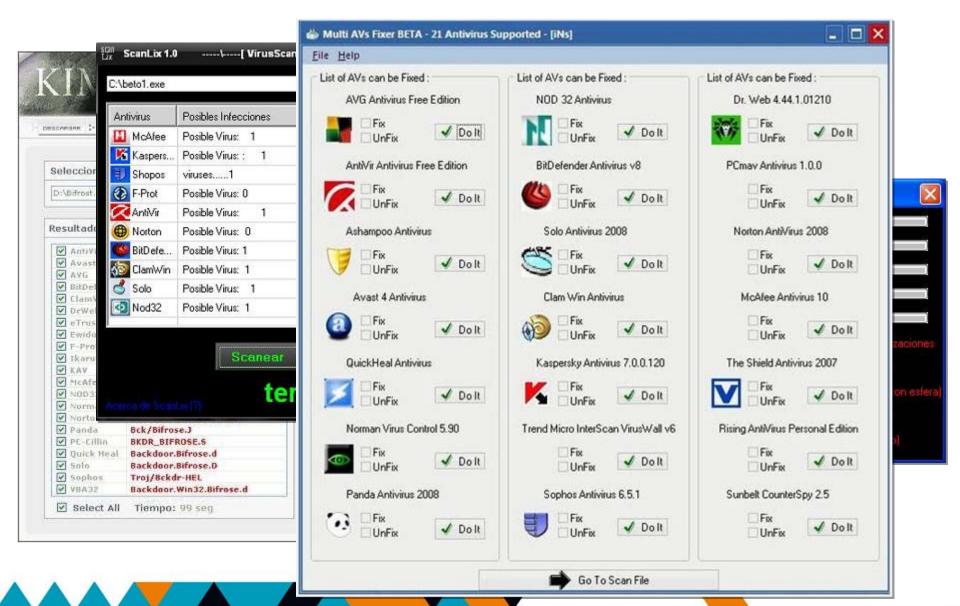
Simple Security Landscape













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es. SQL Injection

 User input is embedded <u>as-is</u> in predefined SQL statements:

```
Stmt = "SELECT * from tUsers where
     userid='" + iUserID + "' AND
     password='" + iPassword + "'";
```





UserID	Username	Password	Name
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- Hacker supplies input that modifies the original SQL statement, for example:
 - iUserID = ' or 1=1 --



UserID	Username	Password	Name
1	Admin	\$#kaoeFor56	Administrator

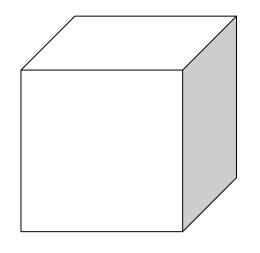


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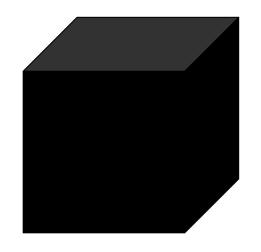


General testing techniques

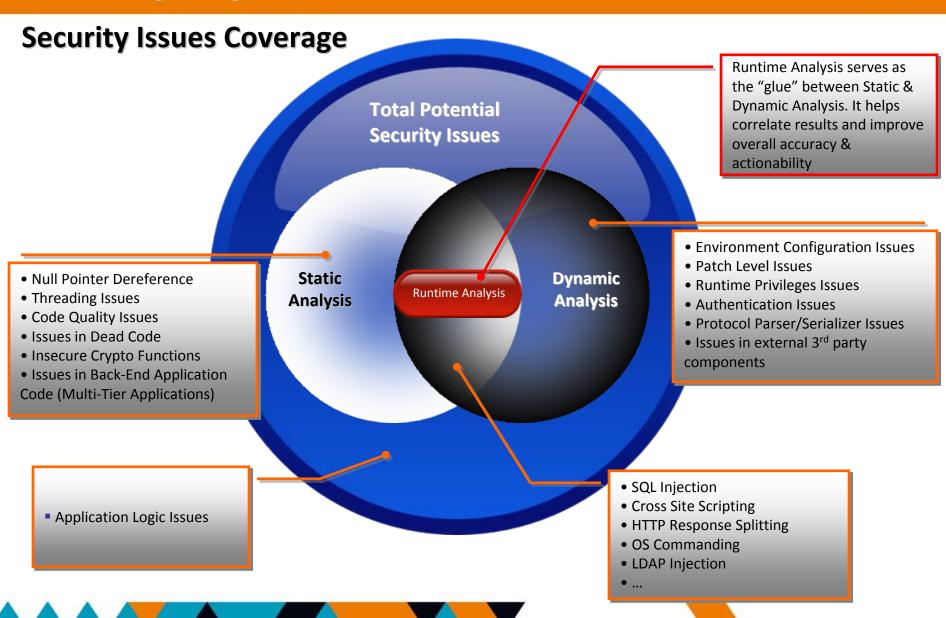


White-Box Analysis

Black-Box Analysis









What is static analysis?

- The study of things that are not changing.
- Evaluating code without executing it.
- Algorithms for analyzing algorithms.
- Process of building theoretical models of how an application works, from its code and binaries, and looking for weaknesses from these models



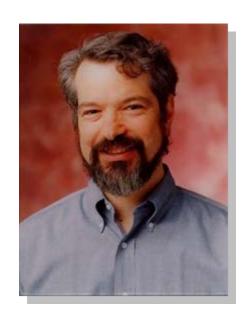


IBM and Static Analysis

- IBM has been researching static analysis since the 1970's
- IBM has dozens of publications, patents in the static analysis field



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Mark Wegman, IBM Fellow
Invented SSA (Static Single Assignment)
form back in the 1980's;
This form is used by virtually all compilers
and static analyzers today.



How is this code vulnerable?

```
protected void doGet(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) throws ServletException, IOException
    String step = (request.getParameter("step"));
    if (step == null)
        step = "";
    String content = null;
    if (step.equals("a")){
        content = "<h1>Question 1</h1>"+
        "<div width=\"99%\">Which of the following groups includes your age? <a href=\"survey questions</a>
    else if (step.equals("done")){
        content = "<h1>Thanks</h1>"+
        "<div width=\"99%\">We will contact you shortly at:<br /><br /> <br /> <br /> request.getParameter("txtEmail")
    else {
        content = "<h1>Welcome</h1>"+
        "<div width=\"99%\">If you complete this survey, you have an opportunity to win an iPod. Would you like
    response.setContentType("text/html"):
    response.getWriter().write(content);
    response.getWriter().flush();
```

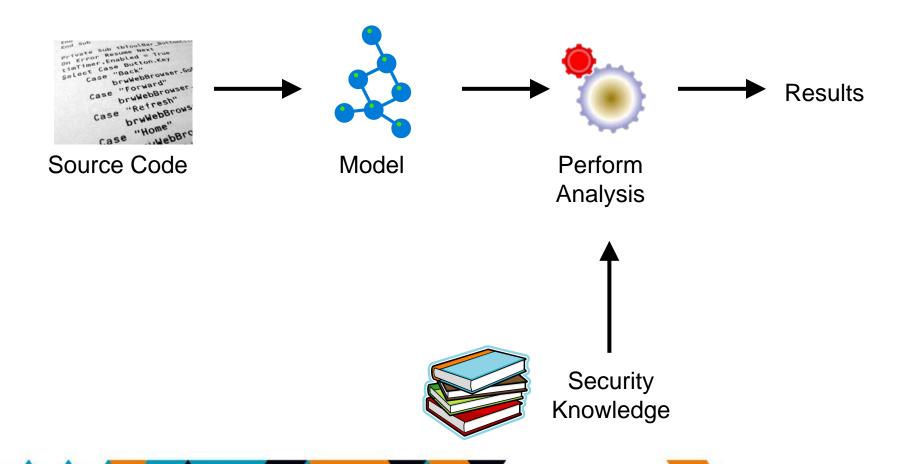


How is this code vulnerable? (2)

```
protected void doPost(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response) 
    String message = null;
    //add account
    if (request.getRequestURL().teString()
        String username = request.getParameter("username");
        String acctType = request.getParameter("accttypes");
        if (username == null || acctType == null ||
                username.trim().length() == 0 ||
                acctType.trim().length() == 0)
            message = "An error has occurred. Please try again later.";
        else {
            String error = DBUtil.addAccount(username, acctType);
            if (error != null)
                message = error;
public static String addAccount(String username, String acctType) {
    try {
        Connection connection = getConnection();
        Statement statement = connection.createStatement();
        statement.execute("INSERT INTO ACCOUNTS (USERID, ACCOUNT NAME, BALANCE) VALUES ('"
                +username+"','"+acctType+"', 0)");
        return null:
    } catch (SQLException e) {
        return e.getLocalizedMessage();
```



Generic static analysis process





Taint Analysis – How It Works

Build model

Graph representing all data-flow and control-flow

Find ENTRY POINTS

- All public web-interfaces
- Start search from SOURCES
 - Find where data can flow into
- Find if data can flow into SINKS
- Cut-off data-flow at SANITIZERS

Models:

#1: Call Graph (CG)

#2: System Dependence Graph (SDG)

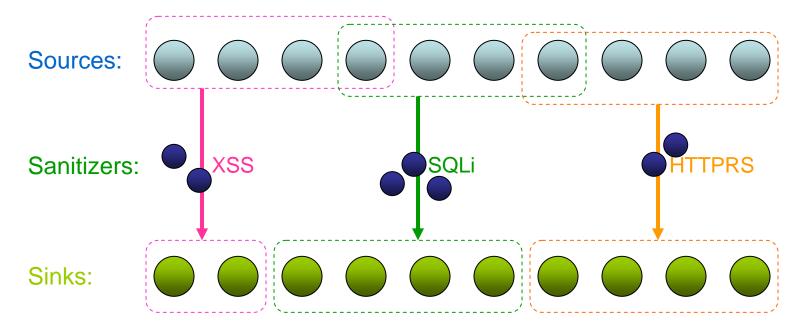


Search is done using a technique called *Program Slicing*



Taint Analysis Rules

Groups of sources, sinks, sanitizers determine issue types





How White Box Scanners Work

Source – a method returning tainted string

Sink - a potentially dangerous method



How White Box Scanners Work

```
String username = request.getParameter("username");
 String username = request.getParameter("username");
 String password = request.getParameter("password");
 String query = "SELECT * from tUsers where " +'
   "userid='" + username +
   String query = "SELECT ..." + username
 ResultSet rs = stmt.executeQuery(query);
        ResultSet rs = stmt.executeQuery(query);
```

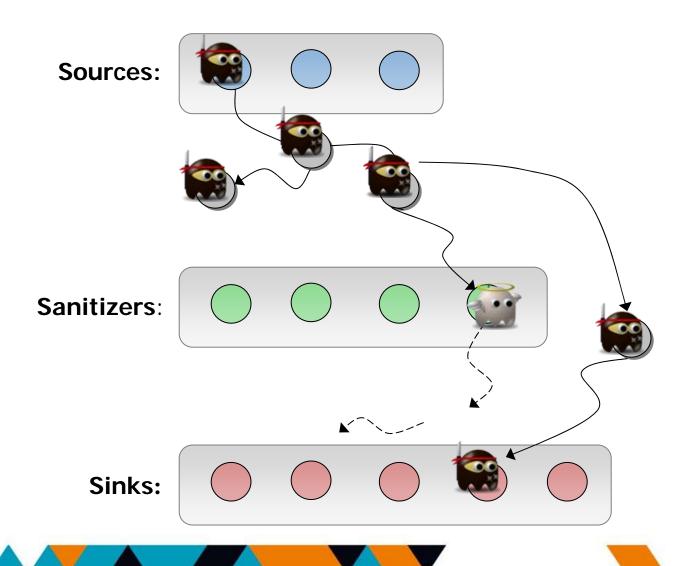


A Common Fix (not the best one...)

```
String username = request.getParameter("username");
String password = request.getParameter("password");
// ...
String query = "SELECT * from tUsers where " +
  "userid='" + Encode(username) + "' " +
  "AND password='" \rightarrow Encode(password) + "'";
ResultSet rs = s
                         %cuteQuery(query);
              Sanitizer:
         a method returning
         a non-tainted string
```



How White Box Scanners Work





IBM's String Analysis Technology

- The next generation of static analyzer technology
- Addresses High False Positive rate of Traditional
 Static Analyzers and their configuration requirements
- Automatically and statically detects the grammar of a string at the point of use

```
public void submitQuery(String userName) {
    userName = clean(userName);
    String query = "SELECT id FROM users WHERE name = '" +
        userName + "'";
    execute(query);
}
public String clean(String input) {
    return input.replaceAll(";","").replaceAll("'","");
}
output \( \rightarrow [~;"]*
```



```
How It Works
userName = clean(userName)
   String query = "SELECT id FROM users WHERE name = '" +
   return output;
                                       query = SELECT id FROM users WHERE
submitQuery
                                       name = '\{\Sigma - \{;,'\}\}*'
           userName = \{\Sigma - \{;,'\}\}*
                                                                        execute
userName = \Sigma*
                                  output = {Σ - {;,'}}*
                                          clean
                      input = \Sigma*
```



Advantages of String Analysis

- World's smartest static analyzer
 - ✓ No need to define what the sanitizers are
 - ✓ Understands inline sanitization
 - ✓ Understands validators

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- ✓ Can verify your sanitizers really do what they're supposed to
- What this means for you
 - Greater accuracy out-of-the-box
 - Less configuration
 - More reliable results
 - Easier to use



What is Dynamic Analysis?

- Tests the web application while it is running
- Also know as Black Box testing, since it doesn't know how the internals of the application works
- It works by first exploring the application to build its site model and determine the attack vectors
- It then tests the application by injecting calculated faults into HTTP(S) requests and analyzing the response for vulnerabilities



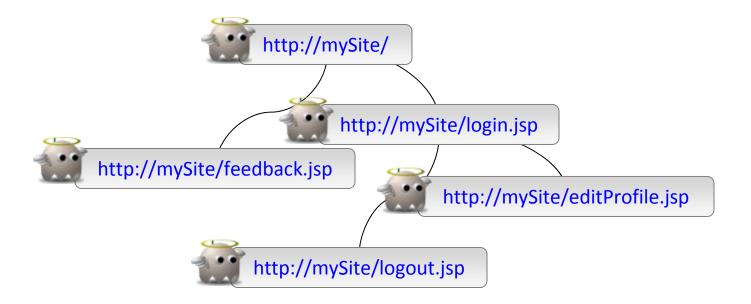
Dynamic Analysis

- The following values would be appended to the username parameter original value in order to test it for SQL injection
 - username=jsmith¹
 - username=jsmith\'
 - username=jsmith;
 - username=jsmith having 1=1--
 - etc
- The test is validated if it causes a database exception in the response



How Black-Box Scanners Work

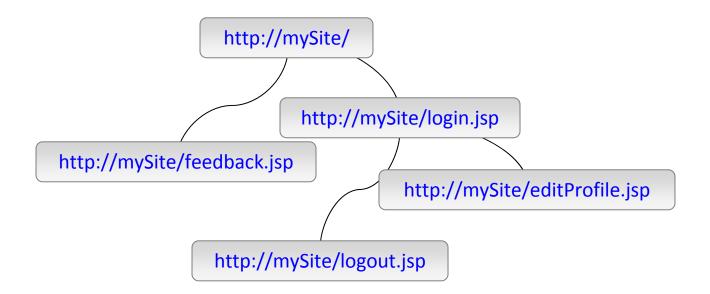
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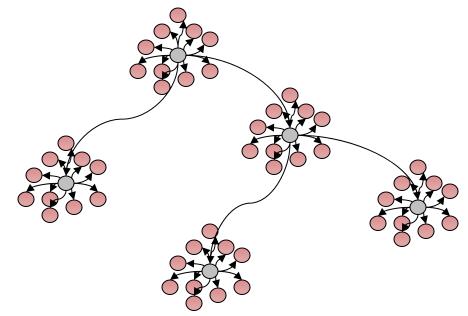
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How Black-Box Scanners Work

- Stage 1: Crawling as an honest user
- Stage 2: Testing by tampering requests (ex. HTTP Request)



- Stage 3: Analyze response of system (ex. HTTP Response)
- Stage 4: Categorization



What is Run Time Analysis

- Run Time Analysis gives visibility into the internal working of an application while Dynamic Analysis is being performed
- Allows pin pointing of problem source code while performing Dynamic Analysis
- Works by monitoring the method invocation during black box testing



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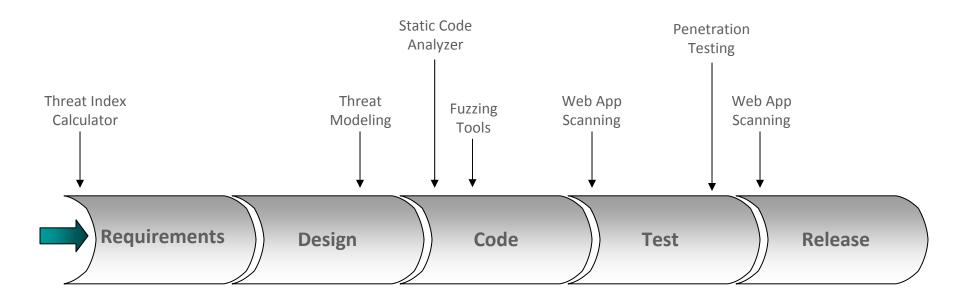


What is Secure Engineering?

- SE goes beyond writing secure code. SE permeates the entire development process. We are 'sprinkling' security into:
 - Requirements
 - Design
 - Code/coding
 - Test/testing
 - Documentation
 - Serviceability
 - Specifically, education to Service and Support teams



Software Development Lifecycle



Threat Modeling

Microsoft TM Tool

Fuzzing Tools

Open Source

Static Code Analyzers

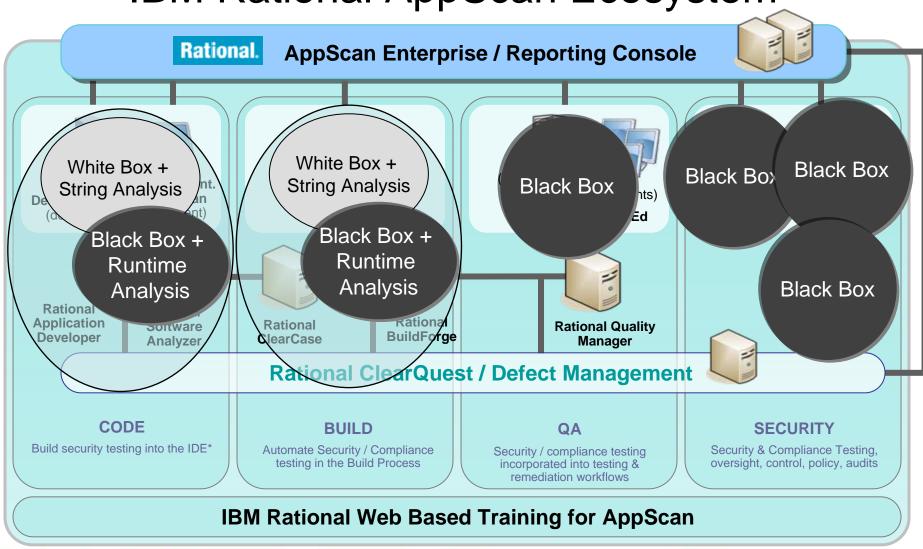
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Web App Scanning

Rational AppScan Standard



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