

Analyse statique de code avec Semgrep

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About me



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Proudly stuck in static analysis since 2008
Formerly: Synopsys, Fortify

Semgrep OSS

Philosophy



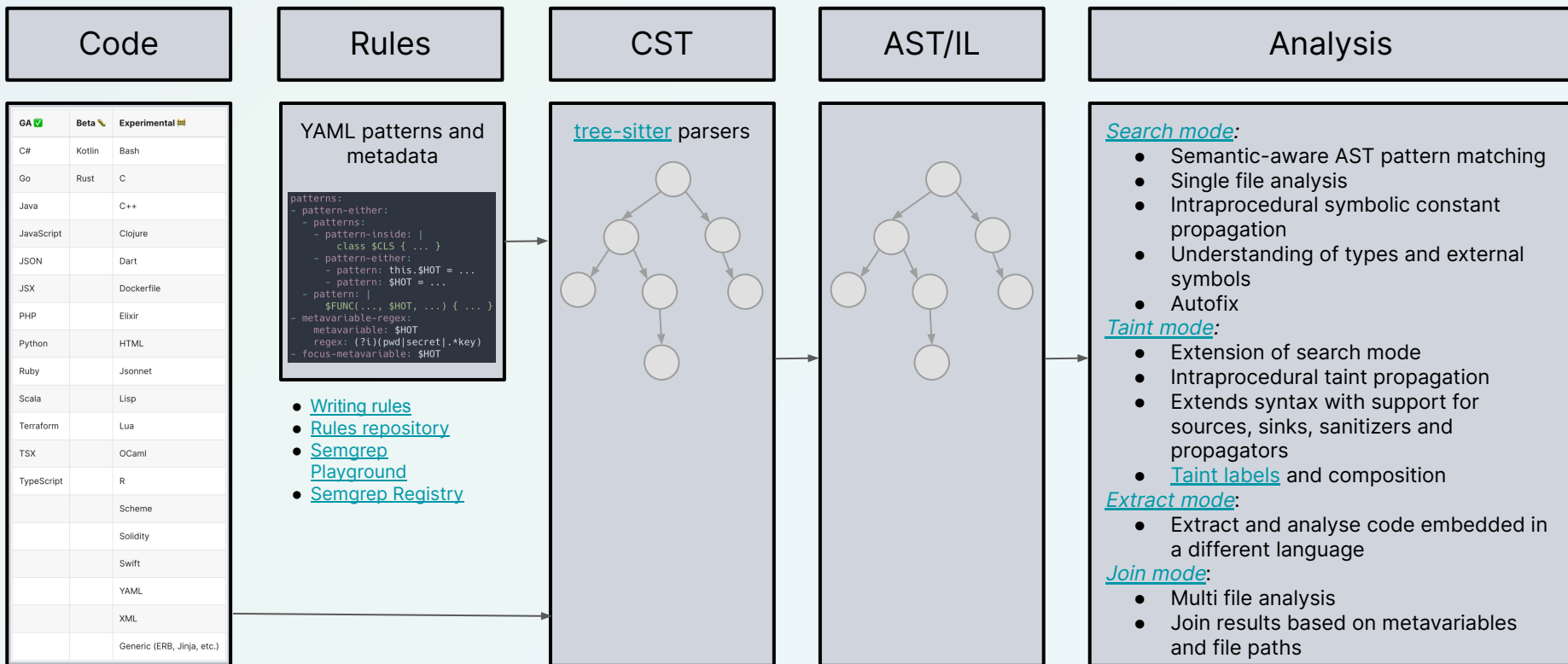
TL;DR

- Free & OSS
- Local & self-contained
- Runs everywhere, analyses everything
- User-friendly: get started using it and writing rules in minutes

<https://semgrep.dev/docs/contributing/semgrep-philosophy/>



Analysis architecture





Getting started

- *Prerequisites:* Python, WSL on Windows
- *Installation*
 - brew install semgrep
 - pip install semgrep (or pipx install semgrep)
- *Usage*
 - semgrep --config=<rules> <my target folder>
- *Alternatively*
 - docker run --rm -v "\${PWD}:/src" returntocorp/semgrep semgrep --config=<rules>

- Can be used in CLI, pre-commit, CI workflows, etc.
- See <https://semgrep.dev/docs/getting-started/>



Alternatives

- *CodeQL*
 - Engine is not OSS
 - Open to [contributions](#) to queries and libraries
 - Free to use only on public GitHub repositories
 - [Supports](#) C, C++, C#, Go, Java, Kotlin, JS/TS, Python, Ruby
 - Requires full “buildable” code base
 - Query syntax has rather high learning curve
- *Weggli*
 - Written in Rust, doesn’t depend on something like a Python installation
 - Parsing based on tree-sitter
 - Focused on C and C++
 - Doesn’t require buildable code base
 - Patterns are very close to C/C++ code
 - [Stay here to hear more about it from Kevin Denis!](#)
- ... and many others! *Gosec, Brakeman, Bandit, Gitleaks, ...*

Finding vulnerabilities



Audit for SSRF

```
1 protected AttackResult furBall(String url) {
2     if (url.matches("http://ifconfig\\.pro")) {
3         String html;
4         try (InputStream in = new URL(url)
5             .openStream()) { /* ... */ }
```

```
1 patterns:
2 - pattern-either:
3   - patterns:
4     - pattern-inside: |
5       $RETURN $METHOD(..., String $ARG, ...) {
6         ...
7       }
8   - pattern: new java.net.URL($ARG)
9 - patterns:
10 - pattern: new java.net.URL(...)
11 - pattern-not: new java.net.URL("...")
```

Try it out: <https://semgrep.dev/s/J4jw>

Similar vulnerability, different audit technique: <https://blog.doyensec.com/2023/03/16/ssrf-remediation-bypass.html>



Hunting for SQLi

```
1 const someSQLQuery = (req: express.Request): string | null => {
2   const pool=new Pool(a)
3   pool.query("INSERT INTO foo (p, desc, s) VALUES ('"+
4     req.body.p + "', '" +
5     req.body.d + "', 'Ok');");
6 };
```

```
1 mode: taint
2 pattern-sources:
3   - pattern: |
4     ($REQ: express.Request).body
5 pattern-sanitizers:
6   - pattern: parseInt(...)
7 pattern-sinks:
8   - patterns:
9     - pattern: $POOL.query($VALUE,...)
10    - focus-metavariable: $VALUE
```

Try it out: <https://semgrep.dev/playground/s/2oyj>



Hunting for hardcoded secrets

```
1 mode: taint
2 pattern-sources:
3   - pattern: |
4     {..., password:'...', ...}
5 pattern-sinks:
6   - patterns:
7     - pattern-inside: |
8       $DB = require('$LIB')
9       ...
10    - metavariable-regex:
11      metavariable: $LIB
12      regex: (somedb|otherdb)
13    - pattern: |
14      $DB.connect($F00)
15    - focus-metavariable: $F00
```

```
1 let fuu = "password"
2 let bar = {
3   host: "test.test.ap-east-1.rds.amazonaws.com",
4   user: "newuser",
5   password: fuu,
6   database: "test",
7   port: "3306",
8 }
9 // ruleid: more-db-hardcoded-secret
10 var conn = db.connect(bar);
```

Try it out: <https://semgrep.dev/s/vypW>

Enforcing secure defaults



Stop leaking sensitive data

```
1 from django.db import Model, Column, String
2
3 class Token(Model):
4     bad_token = Column(String, nullable=False, unique=True, index=True)
```

```
1 patterns:
2   - pattern: |
3     $COLUMN = django.db.Column(django.db.String, ...)
4   - metavariable-regex:
5     metavariable: $COLUMN
6     regex: (?i)(.*(?![A-Za-z])(token|key|email|secret|password)(?![A-RT-Za-rt-z]).*)
```

Try it out: <https://semgrep.dev/s/0kIB>



And code conventions in general!

- Validate format of structured data files (JSON, YAML, etc.)
 - We use it for our own Semgrep rules!
- Enforcing naming conventions (classes, API endpoints, etc.)
- Usage of forbidden/unsafe libraries and APIs

Example: <https://www.fabianzeindl.com/posts/business-information-server>

Exploring a code base



Discovering web application routes

```
1 @Controller
2 @RequestMapping("/api/test")
3 public class ExampleController {
4
5     @RequestMapping(method = RequestMethod.GET)
6     @Authorize(Permissions.ADMIN)
7     @ResponseBody
8     public ResponseEntity<Map<String, Object>> list() {
9         return new ResponseEntity<>(result, HttpStatus.OK);
10    }
11
12    @RequestMapping(method = RequestMethod.GET)
13    @ResponseBody
14    public ResponseEntity<Map<String, Object>> unauth() {
15        return new ResponseEntity<>(result, HttpStatus.OK);
16    }
17
18    @RequestMapping(value = "/{name}", method = RequestMethod.POST)
19    @Authorize(Permissions.USER)
20    @ResponseBody
21    public ResponseEntity<Map<String, Object>> load(@PathVariable final String name) throws APIException {
22        return new ResponseEntity<>(result, HttpStatus.OK);
23    }
24 }
```



Discovering web application routes

```
1 patterns:
2   - pattern-inside: |
3     @Controller
4     public class $CONTROLLER { ... }
5   - pattern-either:
6     - pattern: |
7       @RequestMapping(method = $HTTPMETHOD)
8       @Authorize($AUTHZ)
9       public $RETURNTYPE $METHOD(...) { ...}
10    - pattern: |
11      @RequestMapping(method = $HTTPMETHOD, value = $PATH)
12      @Authorize($AUTHZ)
13      public $RETURNTYPE $METHOD(...) { ...}
14    - pattern: |
15      @RequestMapping(method = $HTTPMETHOD)
16      public $RETURNTYPE $METHOD(...) { ...}
```

Try it out: <https://semgrep.dev/s/WdqL>

References



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Merci!

More examples



SQL Injection with *taint labels* - The code

```
1 package main
2
3 import (
4     "fmt"
5     "net/http"
6
7     "github.com/jackc/pgx/v5"
8 )
9
10 func bad(w http.ResponseWriter, req *http.Request) {
11     pgxConfig := pgx.ConnConfig{
12         Host:     "localhost",
13         Database: "quetest",
14         User:     "quetest",
15     }
16     pgxConnPoolConfig := pgx.ConnPoolConfig{pgxConfig, 3, nil}
17     conn, err := pgx.NewConnPool(pgxConnPoolConfig)
18     if err != nil {
19         log.Fatal(err)
20     }
21     query = "SELECT name FROM users WHERE age=" + req.FormValue("age")
22     // TODO: pgx-sqlc-example
23     rows, err := conn.Query(context.Background(), query)
24 }
```

Focus on a specific library

We know where user data comes from

The usual suspect ...

Try it out: <https://semgrep.dev/s/kID1>

SQL Injection with *taint labels* - Database library

```
1 - patterns:
2   - pattern-inside: |
3     import "$IMPORT"
4     ...
5   - metavariable-regex:
6     metavariable: $IMPORT
7     regex: (. *jackc\ /pgx\ /v(4|5). *)
8   label: IMPORTPGX
```

```
1 import (
2   "fmt"
3   "net/http"
4
5   "github.com/jackc/pgx/v5"
6 )
```


SQL Injection with *taint labels* - User input



```
1 - patterns:
2   - pattern-inside: |
3     import "net/http"
4     ...
5   - pattern-either:
6     - pattern: |
7       ($REQ : http.Request).$FIELD
8     - pattern: |
9       ($REQ : *http.Request).$FIELD
10  - metavariable-regex:
11    metavariable: $FIELD
12    regex: ^(FormValue)$
13  label: USERINPUT
```

```
1 import (
2   "fmt"
3   "net/http"
4
5   "github.com/jackc/pgx/v5"
6 )
7
8 func bad(w http.ResponseWriter, req *http.Request) {
9   pgxConfig := pgx.ConnConfig{
10    Host:   "localhost",
11    Database: "quetest",
12    User:   "quetest",
13  }
14  pgxConnPoolConfig := pgx.ConnPoolConfig{pgxConfig, 3, nil}
15  conn, err := pgx.NewConnPool(pgxConnPoolConfig)
16  if err != nil {
17    log.Fatal(err)
18  }
19  query = "SELECT name FROM users WHERE age=" + req.FormValue("age")
```

SQL Injection with *taint labels* - Putting it together

```
1 pattern-sinks:
2   - patterns:
3     - patterns:
4       - pattern-either:
5         - pattern-inside: |
6           $DB := pgx.$CONNECT(...)
7           ...
8         - pattern-inside: |
9           $DB, ... := pgx.$CONNECT(...)
10          ...
11        - metavariable-regex:
12          metavariable: $CONNECT
13          regex: ^(NewConnPool)$
14        - pattern: $DB. ... .$METHOD($CTX, $QUERY, ...)
15        - metavariable-regex:
16          metavariable: $METHOD
17          regex: ^(Query|QueryRow)$
18        - focus-metavariable: $QUERY
19        requires: IMPORTPGX and USERINPUT and CONCAT
```

Focus on a block of code and capture the database connection

Call on a method of the captured variable

The query is our sink ...

... only if source constraints are met!



Forgotten debugging code

```
1 pattern-either:  
2   - pattern: pdb.$X(...)  
3   - pattern: pdb.Pdb.$X(...)
```

```
1 import pdb as db  
2  
3 def foo():  
4     # ruleid:pdb-remove  
5     db.set_trace()  
6     # ok:pdb-remove  
7     a = "apple"  
8     #ok:pdb-remove  
9     db = "the string, not the library"  
10    #ok:pdb-remove  
11    pdb = "also a string"  
12    # ruleid:pdb-remove  
13    pdb.Pdb.set_trace()  
14    # ruleid:pdb-remove  
15    db.Pdb.set_trace(...)
```

Try it out: <https://semgrep.dev/r/python.lang.correctness.pdb.pdb-remove>