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2020: The Year of Sanitizers?

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Abstract

Clang-tidy is the go-to assistant for most C++ programmers looking to improve their code, whether to modernize it or to find hidden bugs with its built-in checks. Static analysis is great, but you also get tons of false positives.

Now that you're hooked on smart tools, you have to try dynamic/runtime analysis. After years of improvements and successes for Clang and GCC users, LLVM AddressSanitizer (ASan) is finally available on Windows, in the latest Visual Studio 2019 versions. Let's find out how this experience is for MSVC projects.

We'll see how AddressSanitizer works behind the scenes (compiler and ASan runtime) and analyze the instrumentation impact, both in perf and memory footprint. We'll examine a handful of examples diagnosed by ASan and see how easy it is to read memory snapshots in Visual Studio, to pinpoint the failure.

Want to unleash the memory vulnerability beast? Put your test units on steroids, by spinning fuzzing jobs with ASan in Azure, leveraging the power of the Cloud from the comfort of your Visual Studio IDE.

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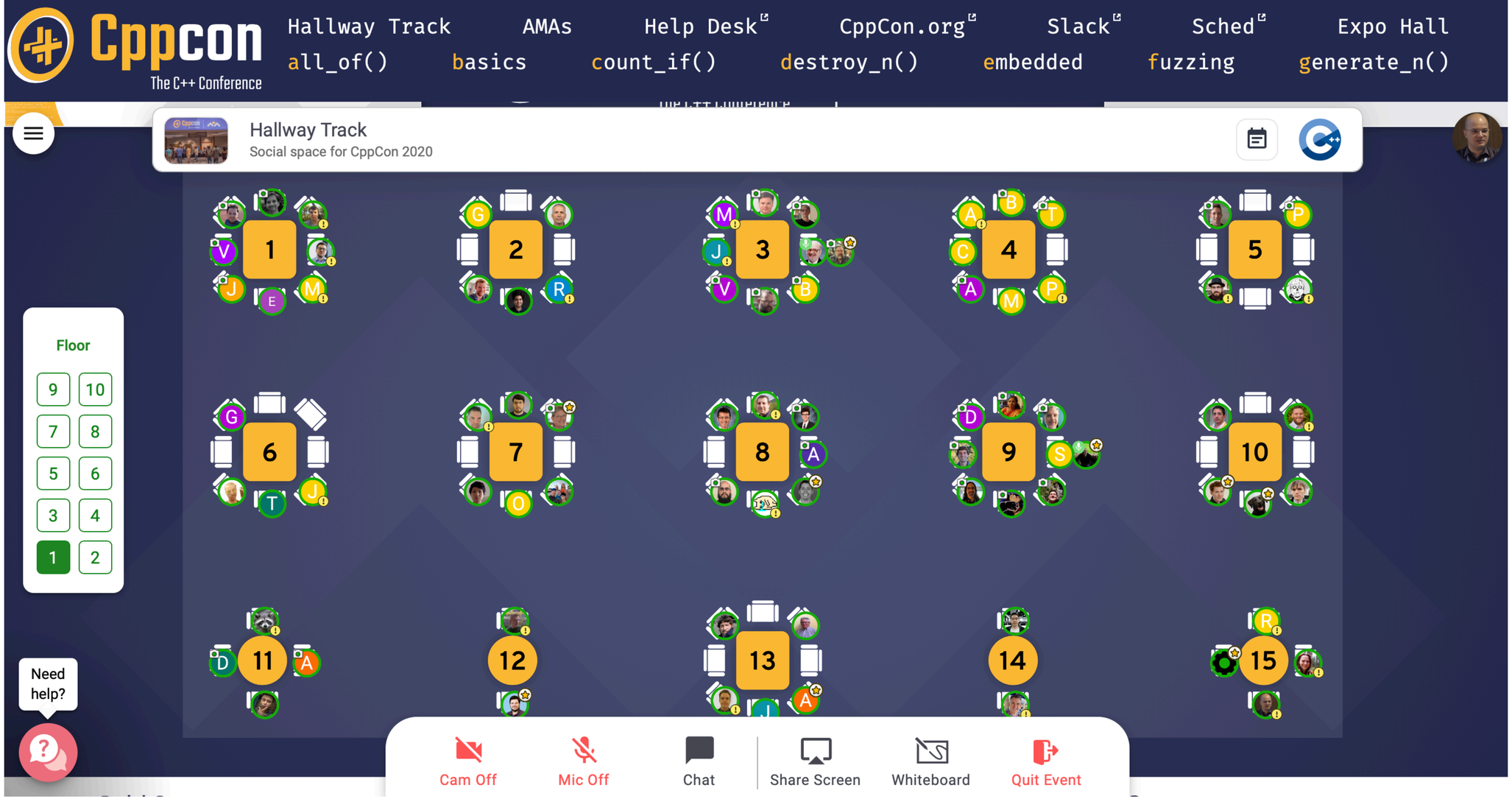

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07:30 MDT

Committee Fireside Chat
Herb Sutter • Bjarne Stroustrup • Bryce Adelstein Lelbach • Hana Dusíková • Inbal Levi • JF Bastien • Michael Wong • Tony Van Eerd

09:00 MDT

Back to Basics: Pointers and Memory
Ben Saks

Building an Intuition for Composition
Sy Brand

A Multi-threaded, Transaction-Based Locking Strategy for Containers
Bob Steagall

A Physical Units Library For the Next C++
Mateusz Pusz

2020: The Year of Sanitizers?
Victor Ciura

10:30 MDT

C++20: An (Almost) Complete Overview
Marc Gregoire

12:00 MDT

Back to Basics: Templates (part 1 of 2)
Andreas Fertig

Adventures in SIMD-Thinking (part 1 of 2)
Bob Steagall

Embedded: Customizing Dynamic Memory Management in C++
Ben Saks

Building a Coroutine based Job System without Standard Library
Tanki Zhang

Closing the Gap between Rust and C++ Using Principles of Static Analysis
Sunny Chatterjee

Have a great CppCon week, everyone !

Due to the nature of delivery medium &
streaming delays (up to 15-20 sec),
I prefer to take questions at the end*

Q & A ?

* Visual C++ team available in **Remo** to answer your questions live

`#sig_visual_studio` on CppCon Slack

2020: The Year of Sanitizers?

Vignette in 3 parts

Static Analysis

Dynamic Analysis

Warm Fuzzy Feelings

Humans Depend on Tools

Programmers Depend on Tools

good code editor
(or IDE)

linter/formatter

powerful (visual) debugger

automated refactoring tools

build system

package manager

CI/CD service

SCM client

code reviews platform

recent compiler(s)
[conformant/strict]

perf profiler

test framework

static analyzer

dynamic analyzer
(runtime)

+ fuzzing

Why Do I Care ?

17 year old code base under active development
3.5 million lines of C++ code
a few brave nerds…

or

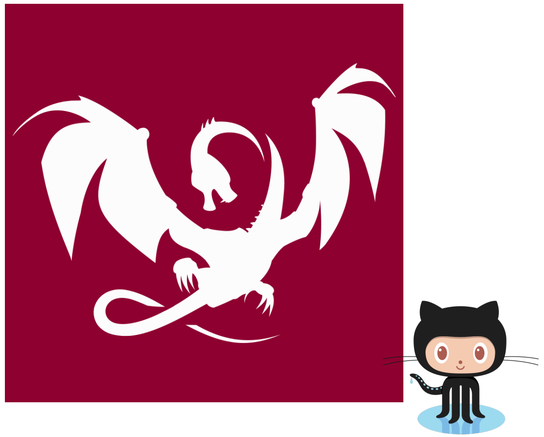
“How we manage to **clang-tidy** our whole code base,
while maintaining our monthly release cycle”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WI-9ozmxXbo

(CppCon 2017)

Who Am I?

Advanced Installer



Clang Power Tools

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Part I

Static Analysis

C++ Core Guidelines Checker

docs.microsoft.com/en-us/cpp/code-quality/quick-start-code-analysis-for-c-cpp

docs.microsoft.com/en-us/cpp/code-quality/code-analysis-for-cpp-corecheck

devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/new-safety-rules-in-c-core-check/

VS 16.7

Standard C/C++ rule sets

Visual Studio includes these standard sets of rules for native code:

Rule Set	Description
C++ Core Check Arithmetic Rules	These rules enforce checks related to arithmetic operations from the C++ Core Guidelines.
C++ Core Check Bounds Rules	These rules enforce the Bounds profile of the C++ Core Guidelines.
C++ Core Check Class Rules	These rules enforce checks related to classes from the C++ Core Guidelines.
C++ Core Check Concurrency Rules	These rules enforce checks related to concurrency from the C++ Core Guidelines.
C++ Core Check Const Rules	These rules enforce const-related checks from the C++ Core Guidelines.
C++ Core Check Declaration Rules	These rules enforce checks related to declarations from the C++ Core Guidelines.
C++ Core Check Enum Rules	These rules enforce enum-related checks from the C++ Core Guidelines.
C++ Core Check Experimental Rules	These rules collect some experimental checks. Eventually, we expect these checks to be moved to other rulesets or removed completely.
C++ Core Check Function Rules	These rules enforce checks related to functions from the C++ Core Guidelines.
C++ Core Check GSL Rules	These rules enforce checks related to the Guidelines Support Library from the C++ Core Guidelines.

docs.microsoft.com/en-us/cpp/code-quality/code-analysis-for-cpp-corecheck

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Microsoft

Static Analysis

Visual Studio integrates with

- MSVC Code Analysis https://aka.ms/cpp/ca/bg
- Clang-tidy https://aka.ms/cpp/clangtidy
- Visual Studio Code Linters https://aka.ms/cpp/linter

New C++ Core Checkers in MSVC Code Analysis

- Missing default label in switch statements
- Unannotated fall through in switch statements
- Expensive range-for copy
- Expensive copy with the auto keyword

Tue 9/15 12:00 – 13:00
Closing the Gap between Rust and C++ Using Principles of Static Analysis
Sunny Chatterjee – *destroy_n() venue*

A New Decade of Visual Studio: C++20, Open STL, and More - Marian Luparu & Sy Brand

Unlisted

Top chat

clang-tidy

~ 300 checks

clang.llvm.org/extra/clang-tidy/checks/list.html

clang-tidy

- modernize-use-nullptr
- modernize-loop-convert
- modernize-use-override
- readability-redundant-string-cstr
- modernize-use-emplace
- modernize-use-auto
- modernize-make-shared & modernize-make-unique
- modernize-use-equals-default & modernize-use-equals-delete

clang-tidy

- modernize-use-default-member-init
- readability-redundant-member-init
- modernize-pass-by-value
- modernize-return-braced-init-list
- modernize-use-using
- cppcoreguidelines-pro-type-member-init
- readability-redundant-string-init & misc-string-constructor
- misc-suspicious-string-compare & misc-string-compare
- misc-inefficient-algorithm
- cppcoreguidelines-*

clang-tidy

- abseil-string-find-startswith
- boost-use-to-string
- bugprone-string-constructor
- bugprone-string-integer-assignment
- bugprone-string-literal-with-embedded-nul
- bugprone-suspicious-string-compare
- modernize-raw-string-literal
- performance-faster-string-find
- performance-inefficient-string-concatenation
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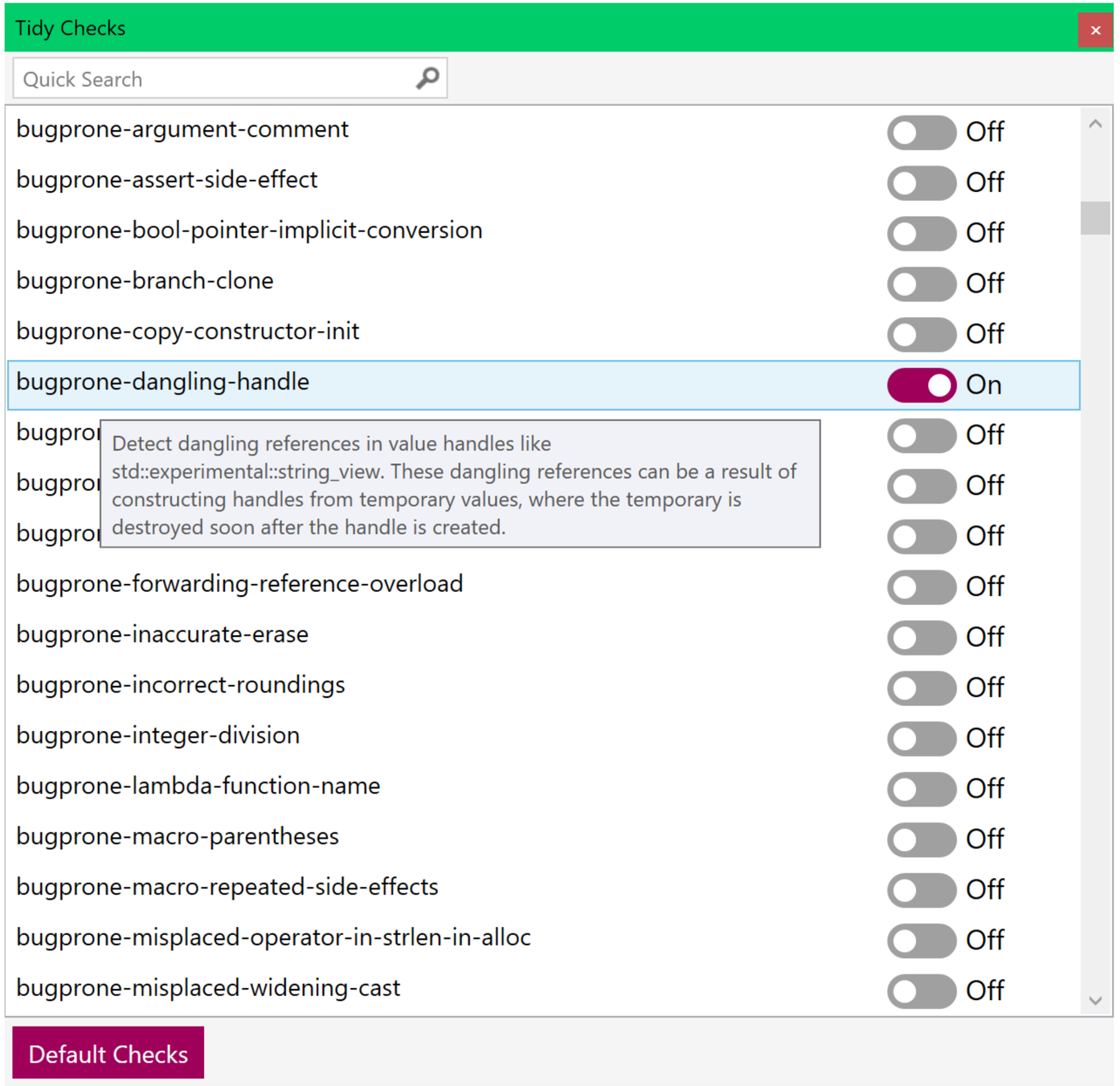
`string` checks

`clang-tidy` checks



clang-tidy bugprone-dangling-handle

> Detect dangling references in value handles like `std::string_view`

These dangling references can be a result of constructing handles from ***temporary*** values, where the temporary is destroyed **soon** after the handle is created.

Options:

`HandleClasses`
A semicolon-separated list of class names that should be treated as handles. By default only `std::string_view` is considered.

https://clang.llvm.org/extra/clang-tidy/checks/bugprone-dangling-handle.html

Lifetime profile v1.0

Lifetime safety: Preventing common dangling

This is important because it turns out to be ***easy*** to convert **[by design]**

a `std::string` to a `std::string_view`,

or a `std::vector/array` to a `std::span`,

so that dangling is almost the default behavior.

CppCoreGuidelines

https://github.com/isocpp/CppCoreGuidelines/blob/master/docs/Lifetime.pdf

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Lifetime safety: Preventing common dangling

```
void example()
{
  std::string_view sv = std::string("dangling"); // A
  std::cout << sv;
}
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{
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  std::cout << sv;          // ERROR (lifetime.3): ‘sv’ was invalidated when
}                           // temporary was destroyed (line A)
```

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warning: initializing pointer member to point to a temporary object whose lifetime is shorter than the lifetime of the constructed object

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}
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https://clang.llvm.org/docs/DiagnosticsReference.html#wdangling-gsl

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                  // warning: object backing the pointer will be destroyed
                  // at the end of the full-expression [-Wdangling-gsl]
  std::cout << sv;
}
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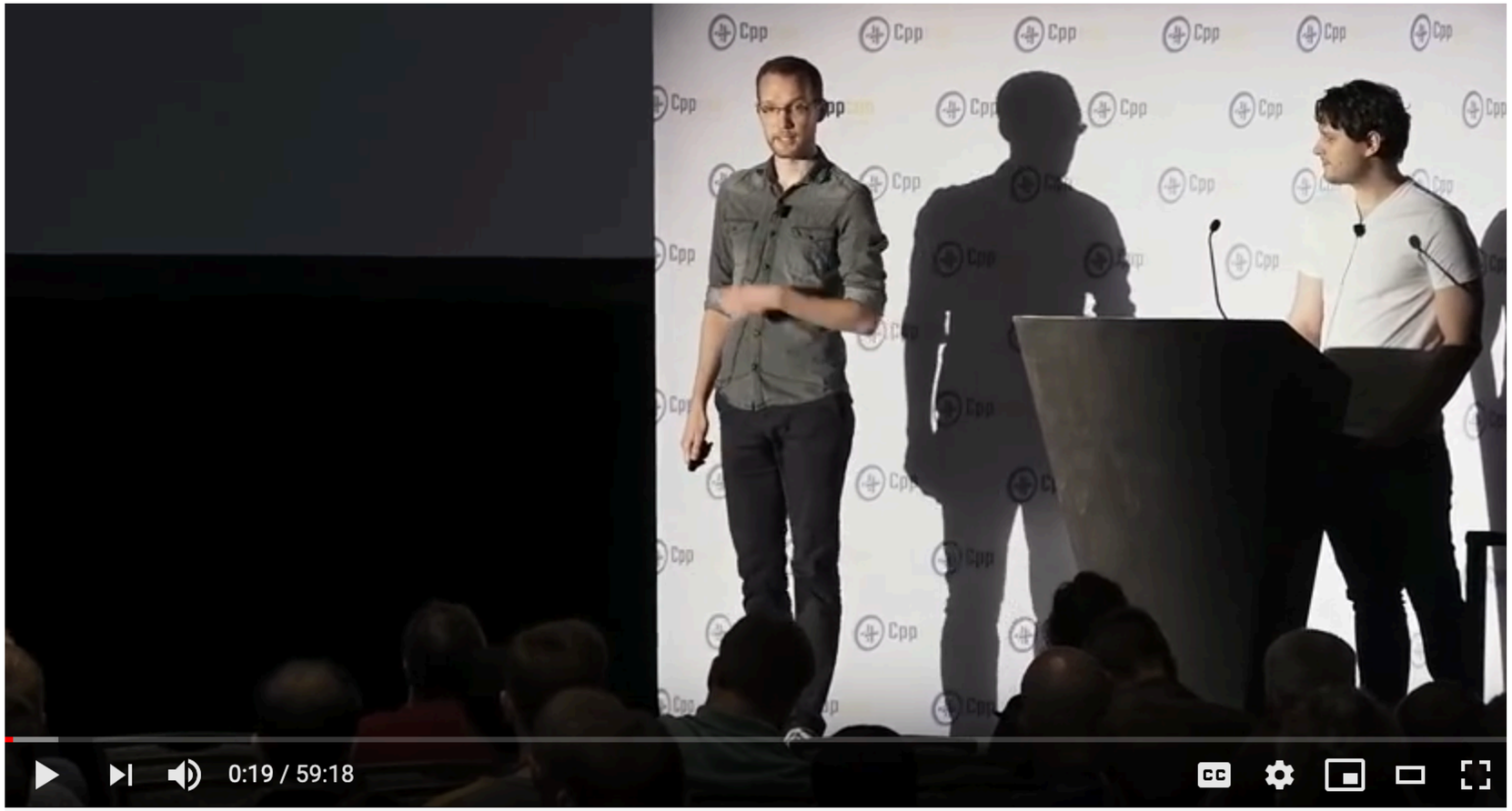

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CppCon 2019: Gábor Horváth, Matthias Gehre “Lifetime analysis for everyone”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d67kfSnhbpA

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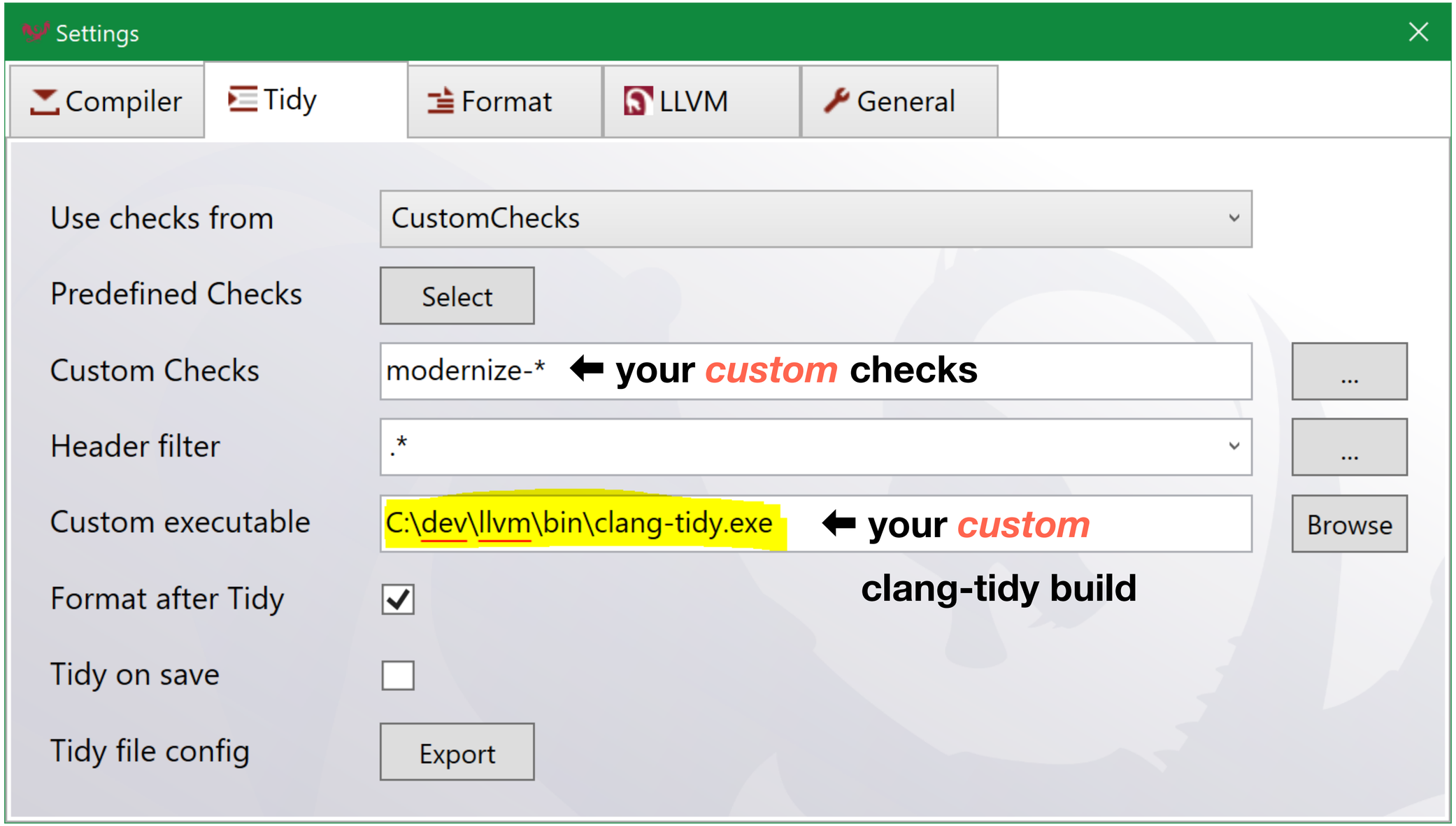
Checks can **report** issues in a similar way to how Clang diagnostics work.
A **fix-it** hint can be attached to a diagnostic message

Custom clang-tidy checks



Write *custom* checks for your needs (project specific)

Run them regularly !

Explore Further

https://steveire.wordpress.com/2019/01/02/refactor-with-clang-tooling-at-codedive-2018/

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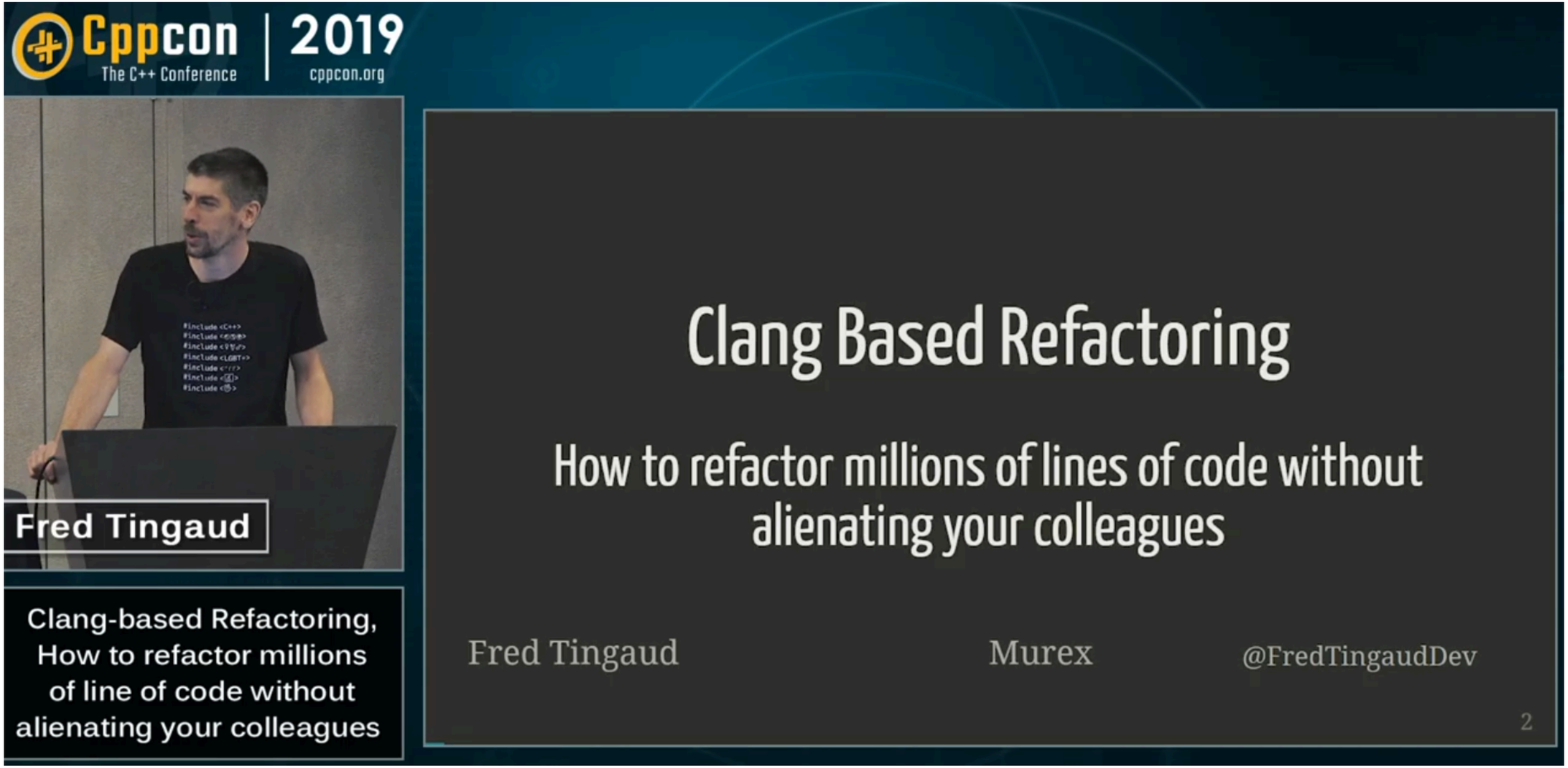

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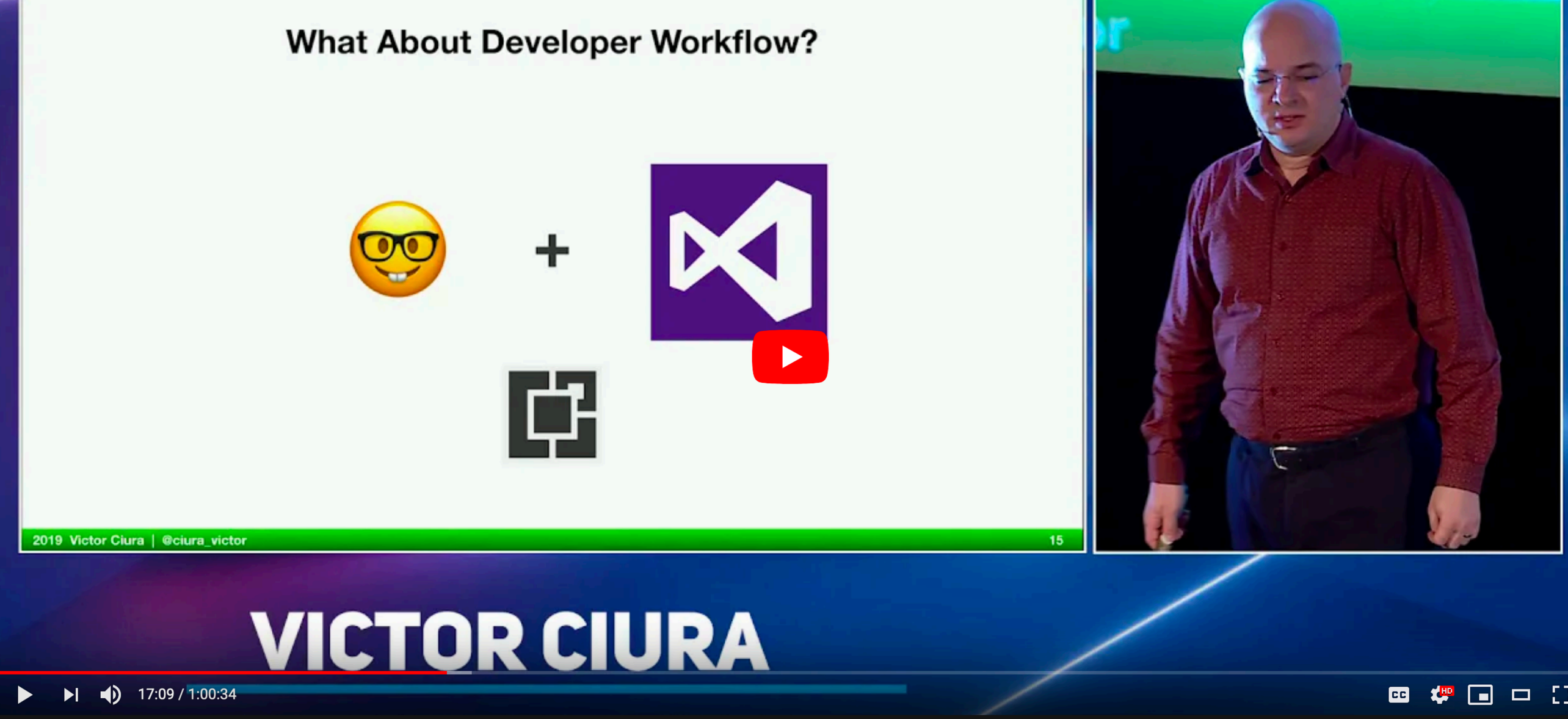

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Clang/LLVM **support**
for MSBuild & CMake **Projects**

Ships with Clang **(as optional component)**

clang-cl.exe

https://devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/clang-llvm-support-for-msbuild-projects/

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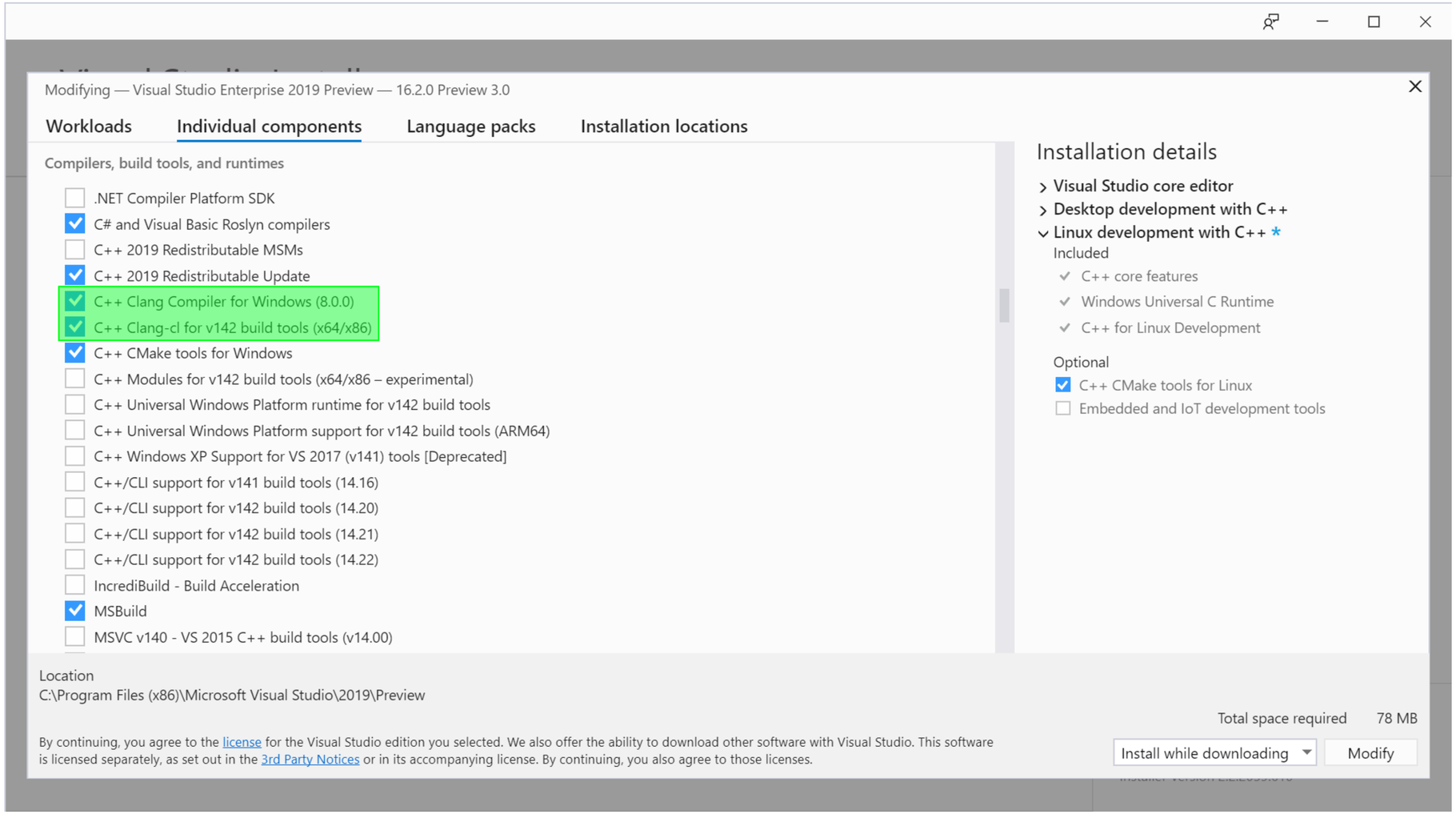

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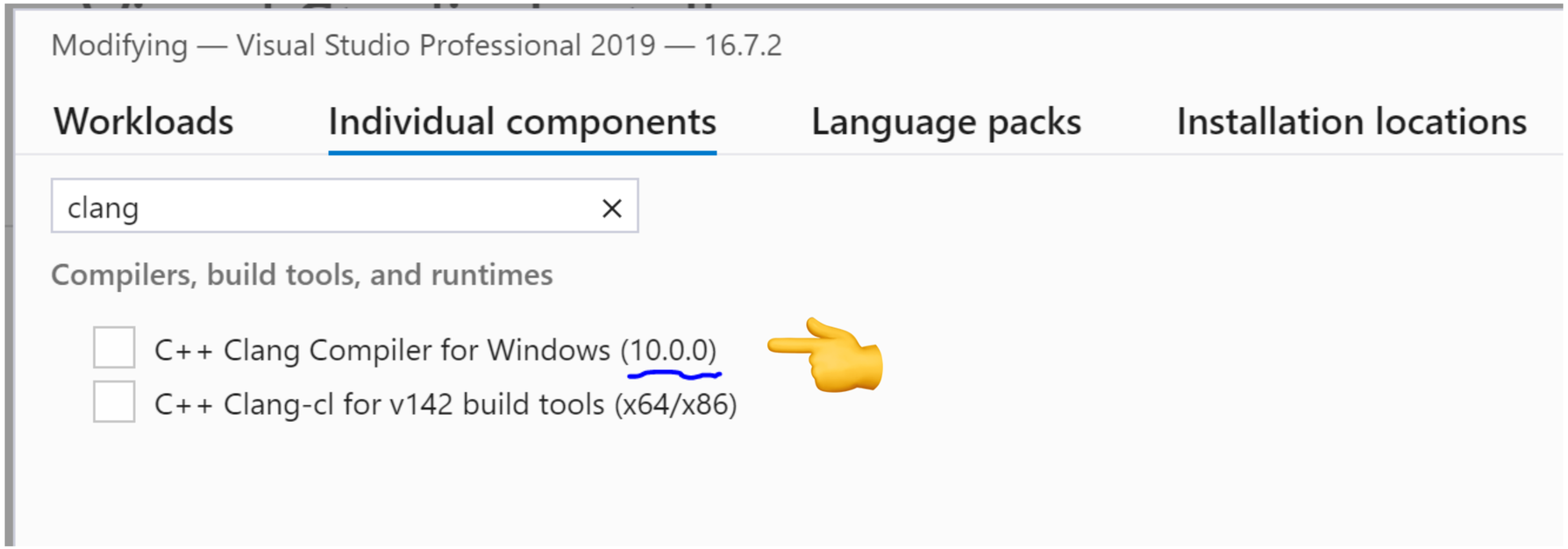

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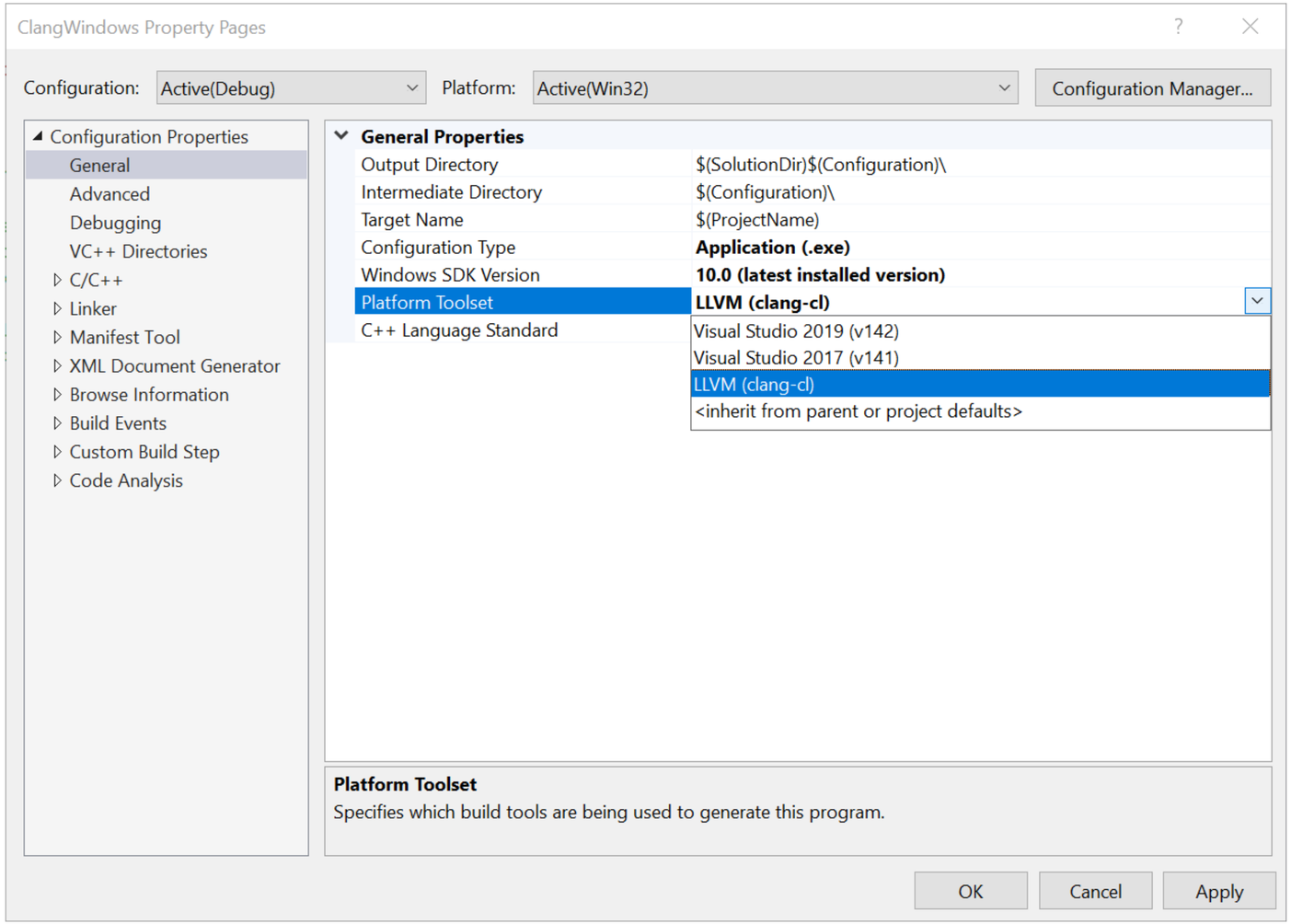

clang-cl.exe

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`clang-tidy`

code analysis

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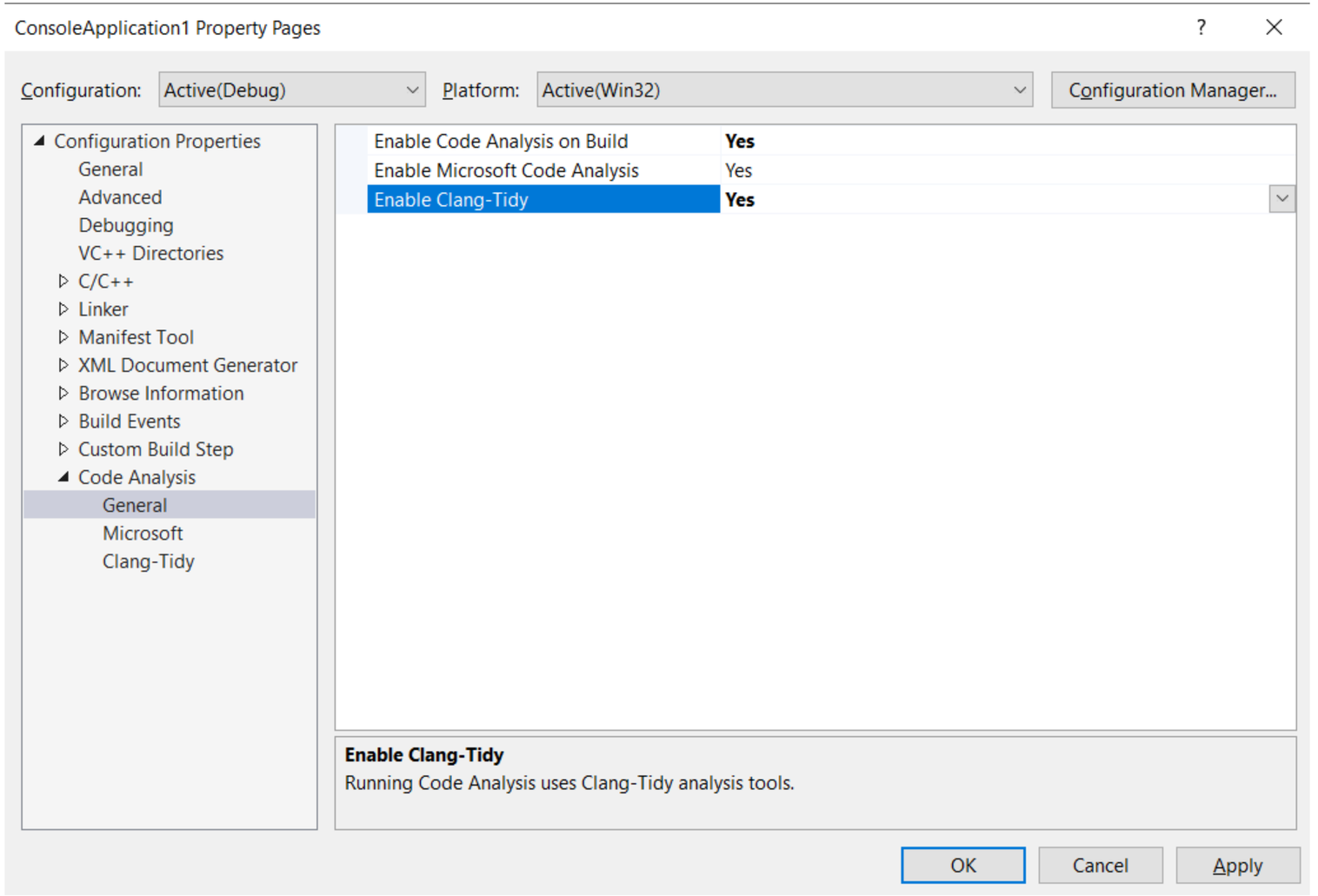

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`clang-tidy` warnings

Error List

Entire Solution | 0 Errors | 10 Warnings | 0 Messages | Build + IntelliSense

Code	Description	File	Line	Col	Category
readability-isolate-declaration	multiple declarations in a single statement reduces readability	CMAKEDEMO.CPP	23	2	readability
modernize-use-nullptr	use nullptr	CMAKEDEMO.CPP	31	7	modernize
cppcoreguidelines-macro-usage	macro 'TRUE' used to declare a constant; consider using a 'constexpr' constant	CMAKEDEMO.CPP	35	9	cppcoreguidelines
clang-diagnostic-unused-variable	unused variable 'local'	CMAKEDEMO.CPP	50	13	clang-diagnostic
clang-diagnostic-unused-const-variable	unused variable 'pos_x'	CMAKEDEMO.CPP	36	11	clang-diagnostic
clang-diagnostic-uninitialized	variable 'numLives' is uninitialized when used here	CMAKEDEMO.CPP	24	3	clang-diagnostic
clang-diagnostic-return-type	control reaches end of non-void function	CMAKEDEMO.CPP	32	1	clang-diagnostic
clang-analyzer-core.NullDereference	Dereference of undefined pointer value	CMAKEDEMO.CPP	24	12	clang-analyzer

Error List | Output

https://devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/code-analysis-with-clang-tidy-in-visual-studio/

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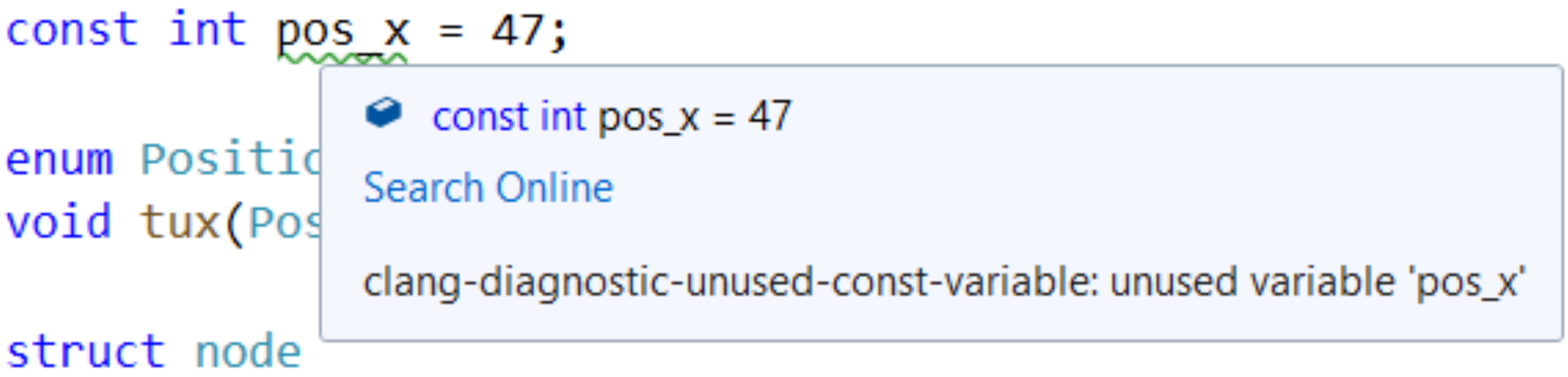
`clang-tidy` **warnings also display as in-editor squiggles**



Code Analysis runs automatically in the background

NOT on
Visual Studio 2019 v16.4+
yet ?

No problem

=

->

Clang Power Tools

www.clangpowertools.com

LLVM

clang-tidy

clang++

clang-format

clang-check/query

Visual Studio

2015 / 2017 / 2019

Static vs Dynamic Analysis

Static Analysis

- offline (out of the normal compilation cycle) => can take longer to process source code
- is intimately linked to the used programming language
- can detect a lot of semantic issues
- can yield a lot of false positive results (sometimes you go on a wild goose chase)
- very poor at whole program analysis (follow connections in different TUs)
- almost helpless around virtual functions (difficult to de-virtualize calls)
- weak analysis ability around global pointers
- pointer aliasing makes it hard to prove things (alias analysis is hard problem)
- vicious cycle: type propagation <> alias analysis

Dynamic Analysis

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- runtime overhead (performance impact: depending on tool, from **2x** up to **10x**)
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0 false positives!

Part II

Dynamic Analysis

ICYMI

Control Flow Guard

`/guard:cf`

Enforce control flow integrity (Windows 8.1 & Windows 10)

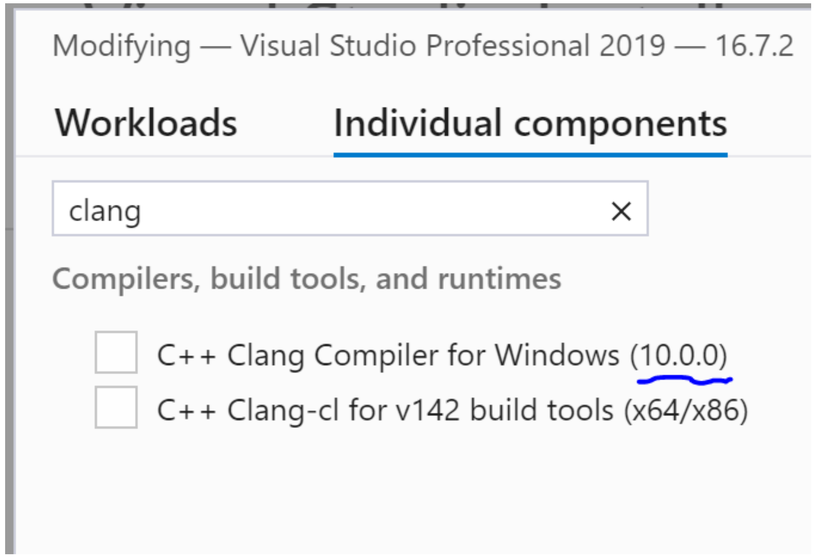
CFG is complementary to other exploit mitigations, such as:

- Address Space Layout Randomization (**ASLR**)
- Data Execution Prevention (**DEP**)

MSVC

CFG is now supported in **LLVM 10**

C++ & Rust



https://aka.ms/cpp/cfg-llvm

Sanitizers

Sanitizers

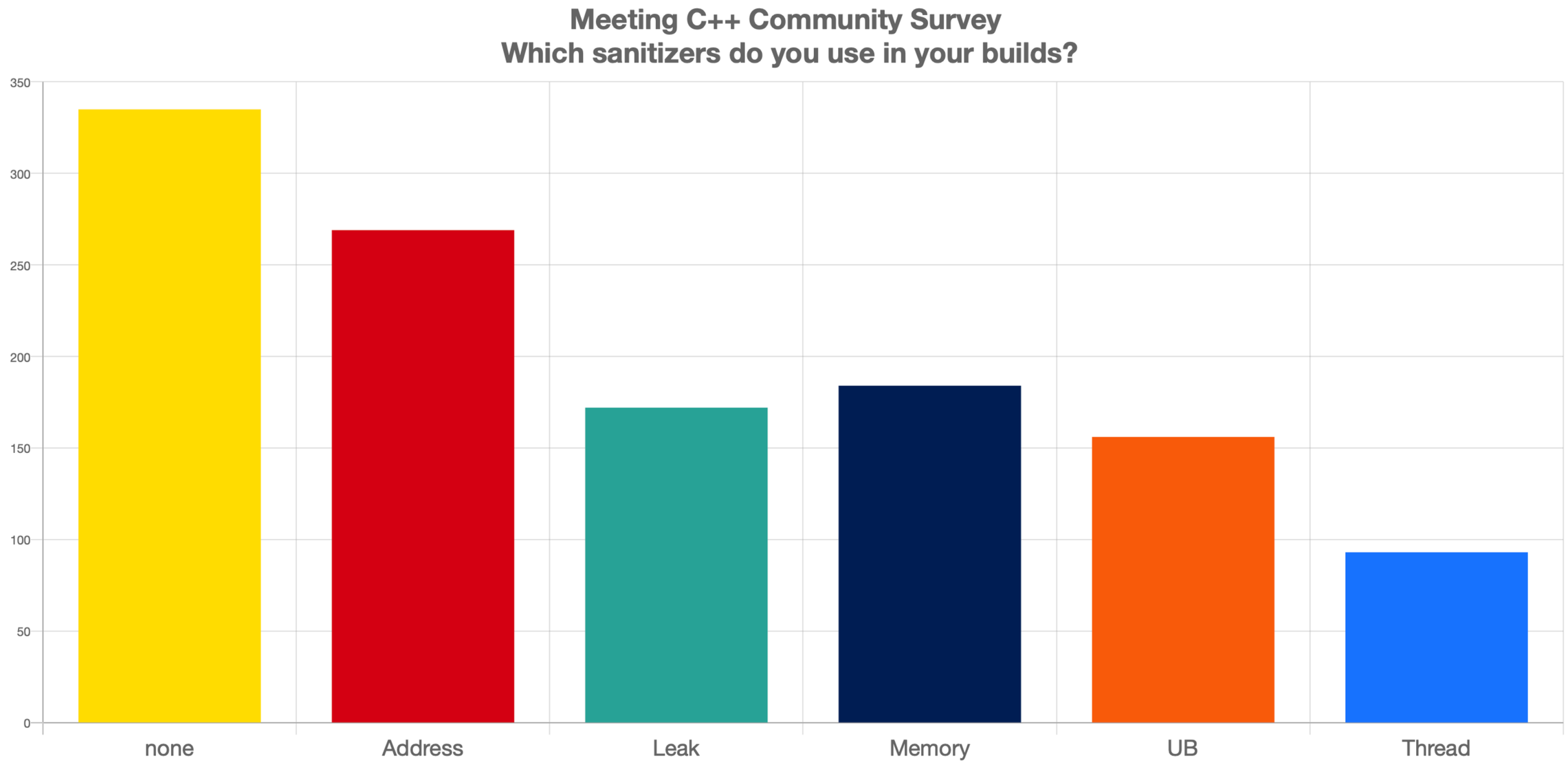
- `AddressSanitizer` - detects addressability issues
- `LeakSanitizer` - detects memory leaks
- `ThreadSanitizer` - detects data races and deadlocks
- `MemorySanitizer` - detects use of uninitialized memory
- `HWASAN` - hardware-assisted AddressSanitizer (consumes less memory)
- `UBSan` - detects Undefined Behavior

github.com/google/sanitizers

Meeting C++ Community Survey

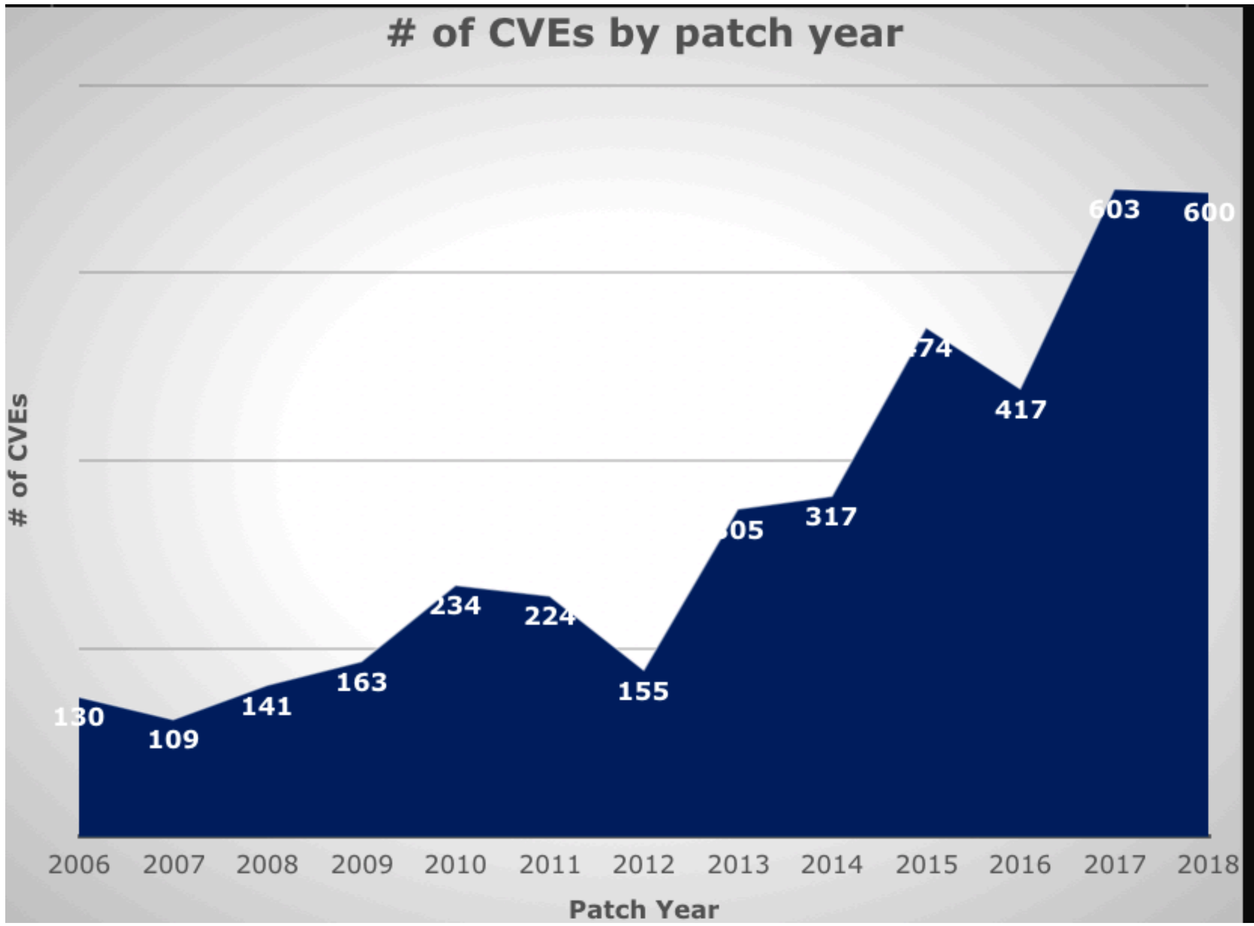
meetingcpp.com/mcpp/survey/?q=19

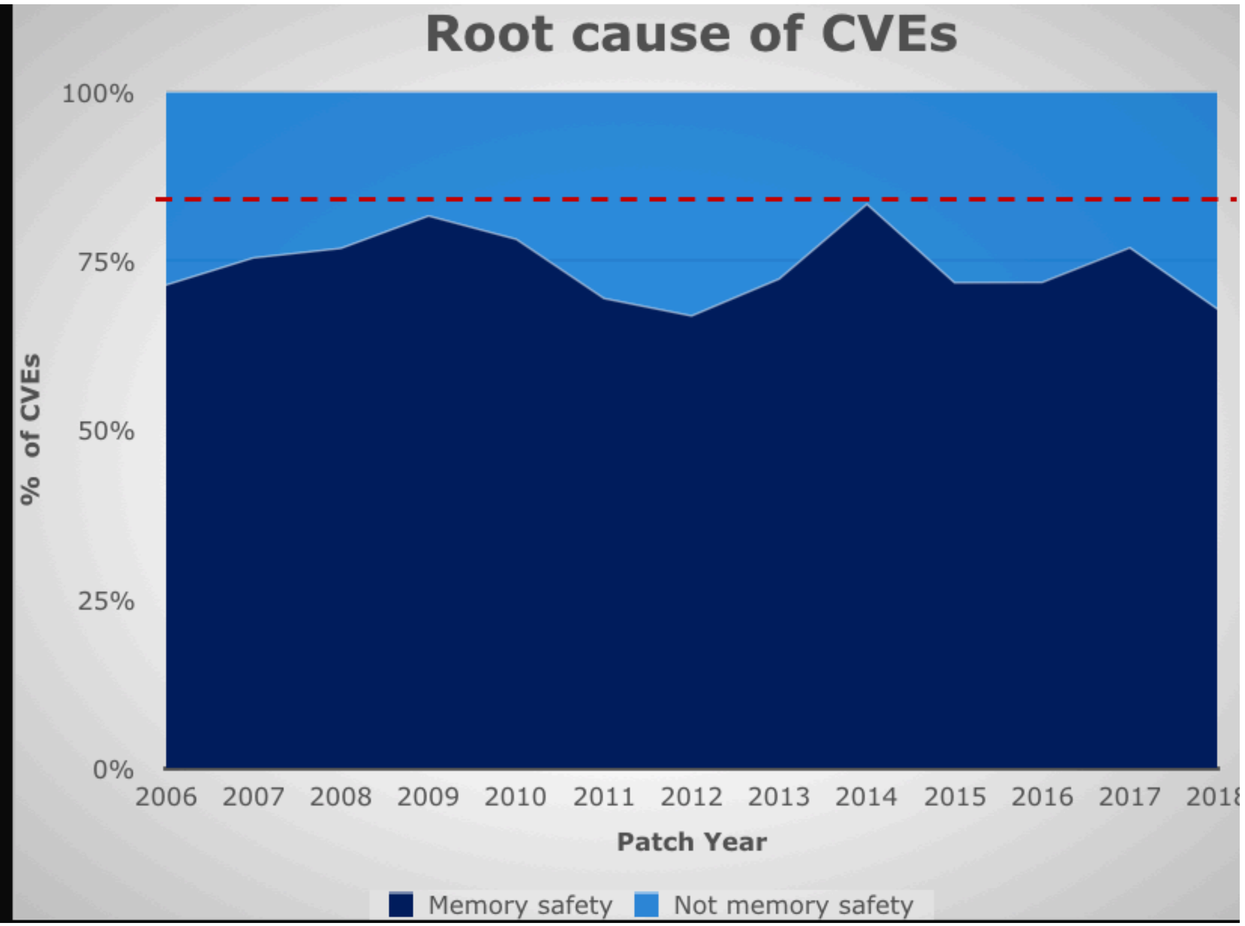
Next Question | Survey results



Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures

Memory safety continues to dominate





youtube.com/watch?v=0EsqxGgYOQU

Address Sanitizer (ASan)

De facto standard for detecting memory safety issues

It's important for basic correctness and sometimes true vulnerabilities

github.com/google/sanitizers/wiki/AddressSanitizer

Address Sanitizer (ASan)

Detects:

- **Use after free** (dangling pointer dereference)
- **Heap buffer overflow**
- **Stack buffer overflow**
- **Global buffer overflow**
- **Use after return**
- **Use after scope**
- **Initialization order bugs**
- **Memory leaks**

github.com/google/sanitizers/wiki/AddressSanitizer

Address Sanitizer (ASan)

Started in **LLVM** by a team @ Google

and quickly took off as a *de facto* industry standard

for runtime program analysis

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Address Sanitizer (ASan)

LLVM starting with version **3.1** (2012)

GCC starting with version **4.8** (2013)

MSVC starting with VS **16.4** (late 2019)

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Address Sanitizer

(ASan)

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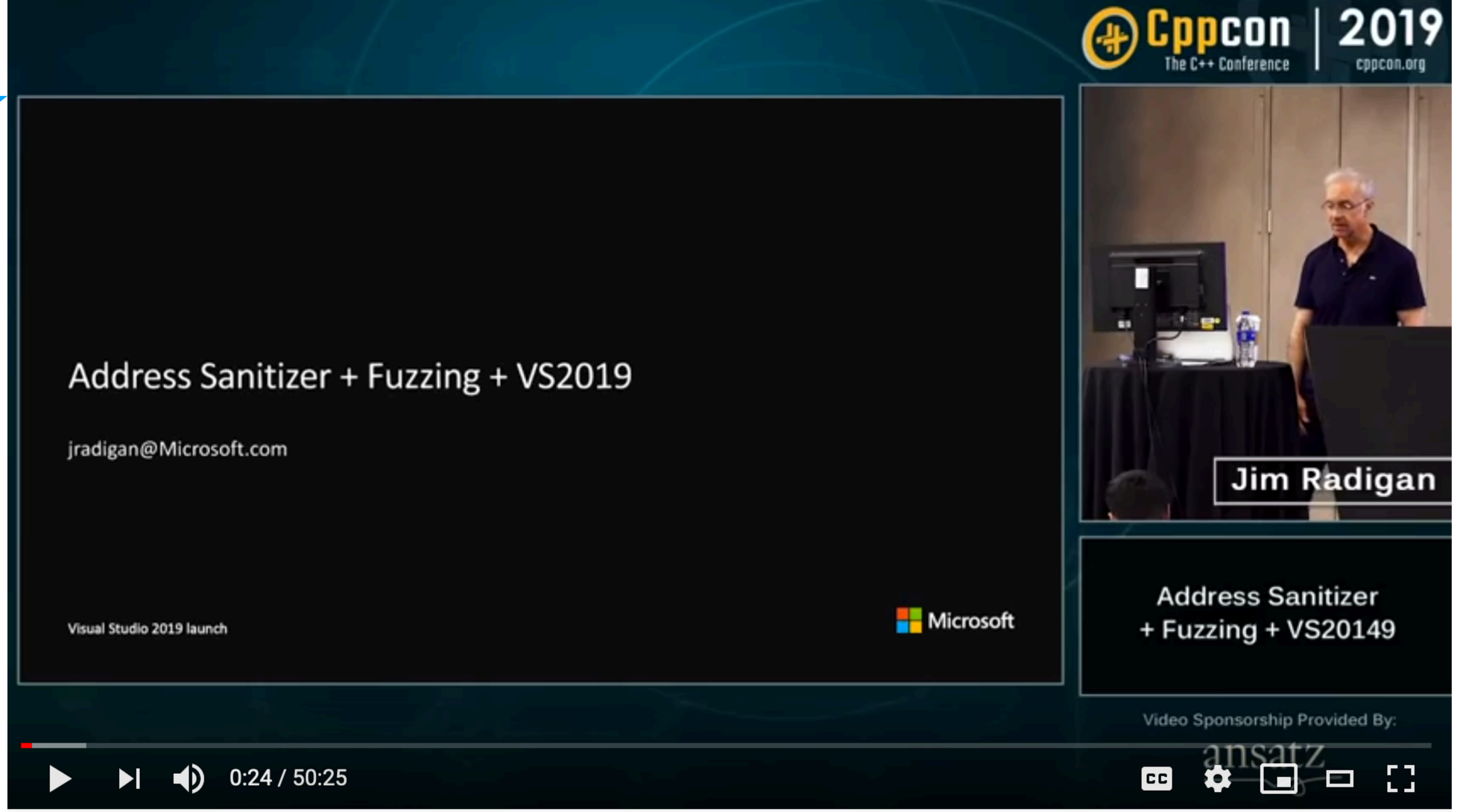
devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/addresssanitizer-asan-for-windows-with-msvc/

sneak peek



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CppCon 2019: Jim Radigan C++ Sanitizers and Fuzzing for the Windows Platform Using New Compilers...

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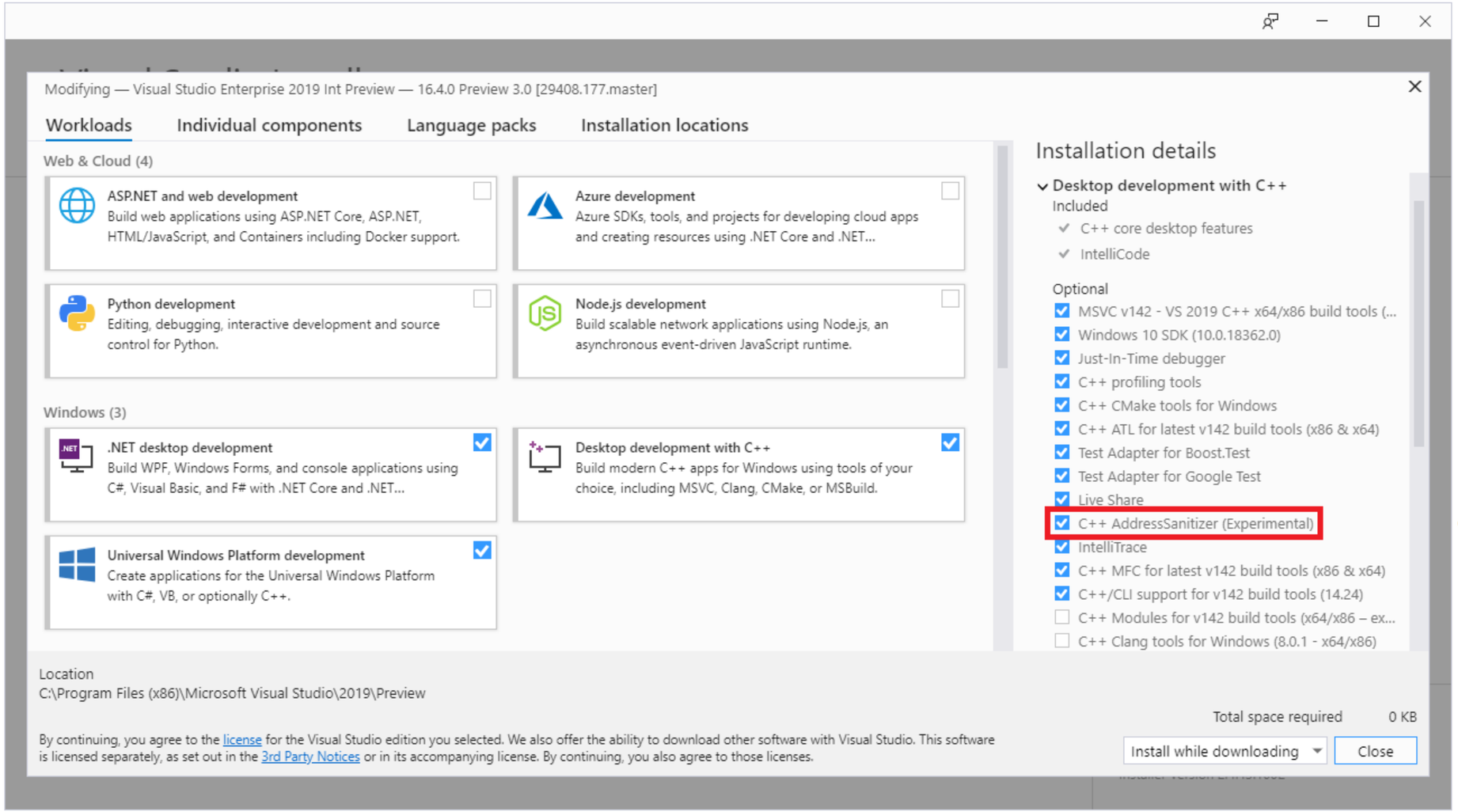

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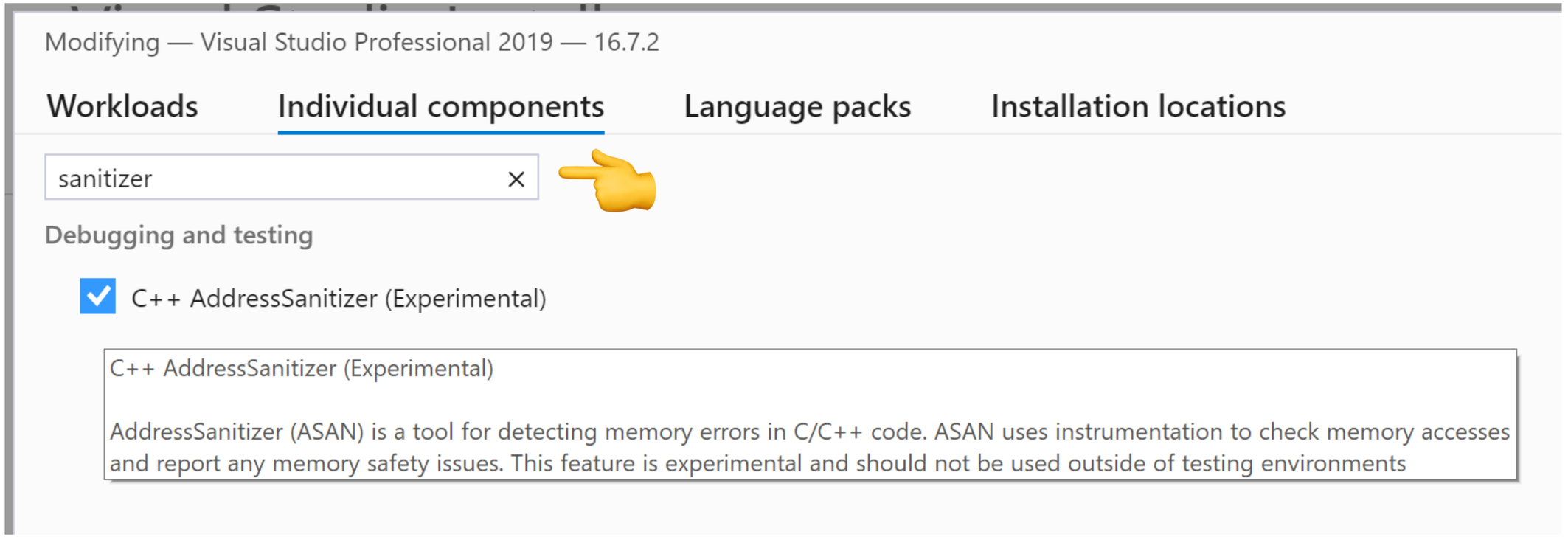

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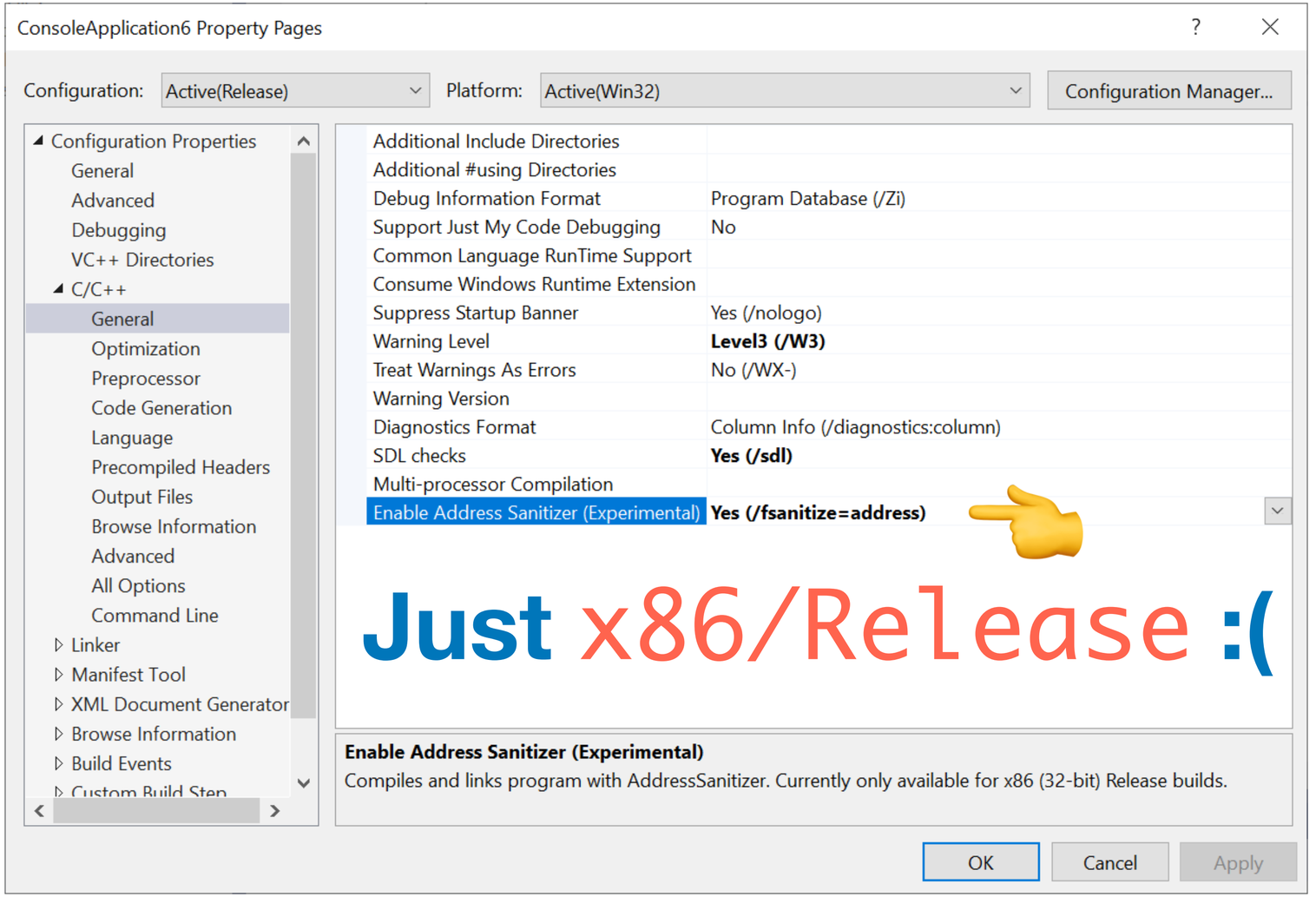

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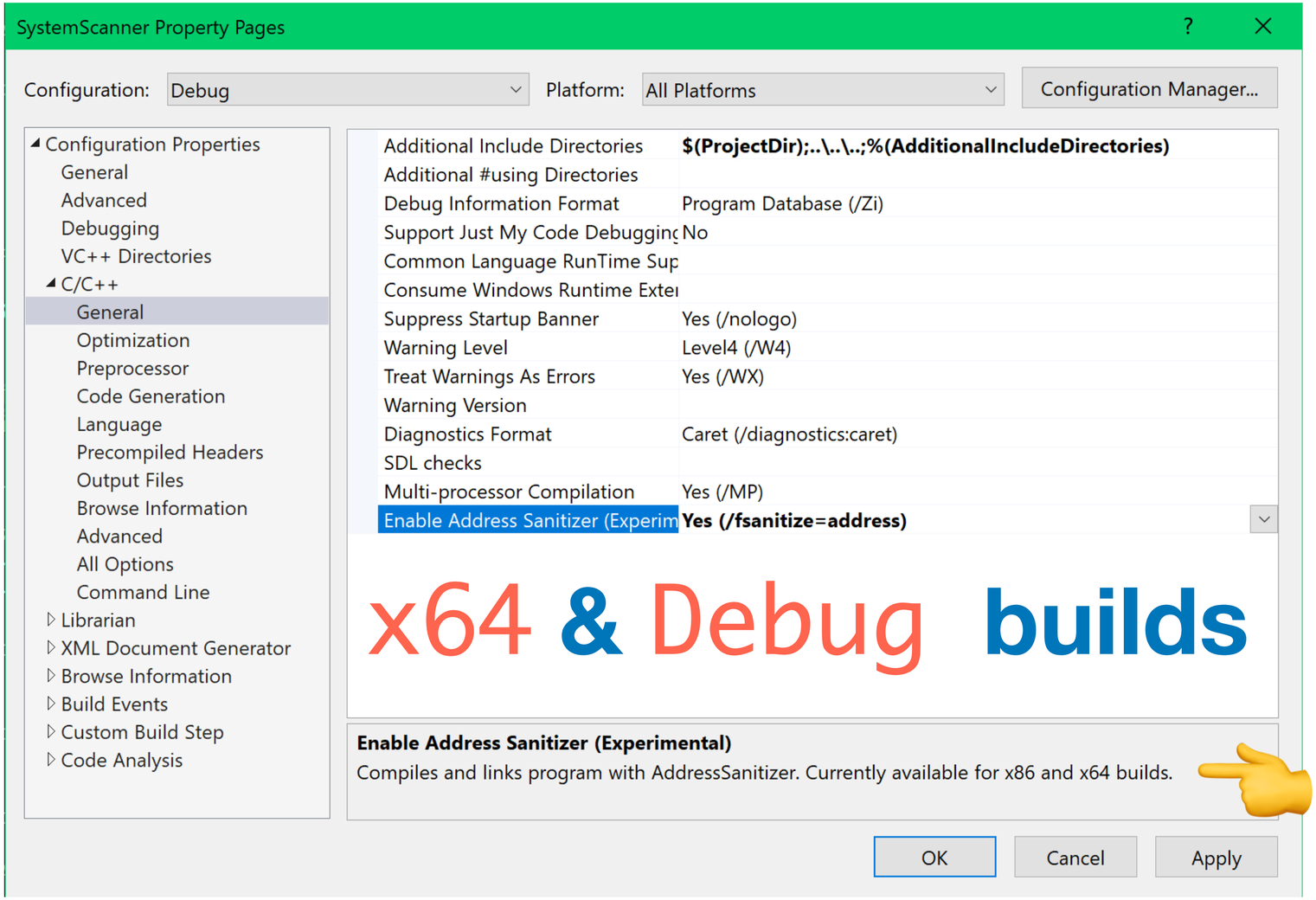

NEW

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\+ x64 & Debug **builds**

support all Debug runtimes: `/MTd` `/MDd`

docs.microsoft.com/en-us/visualstudio/releases/2019/release-notes#16.7.0

NEW

September 14

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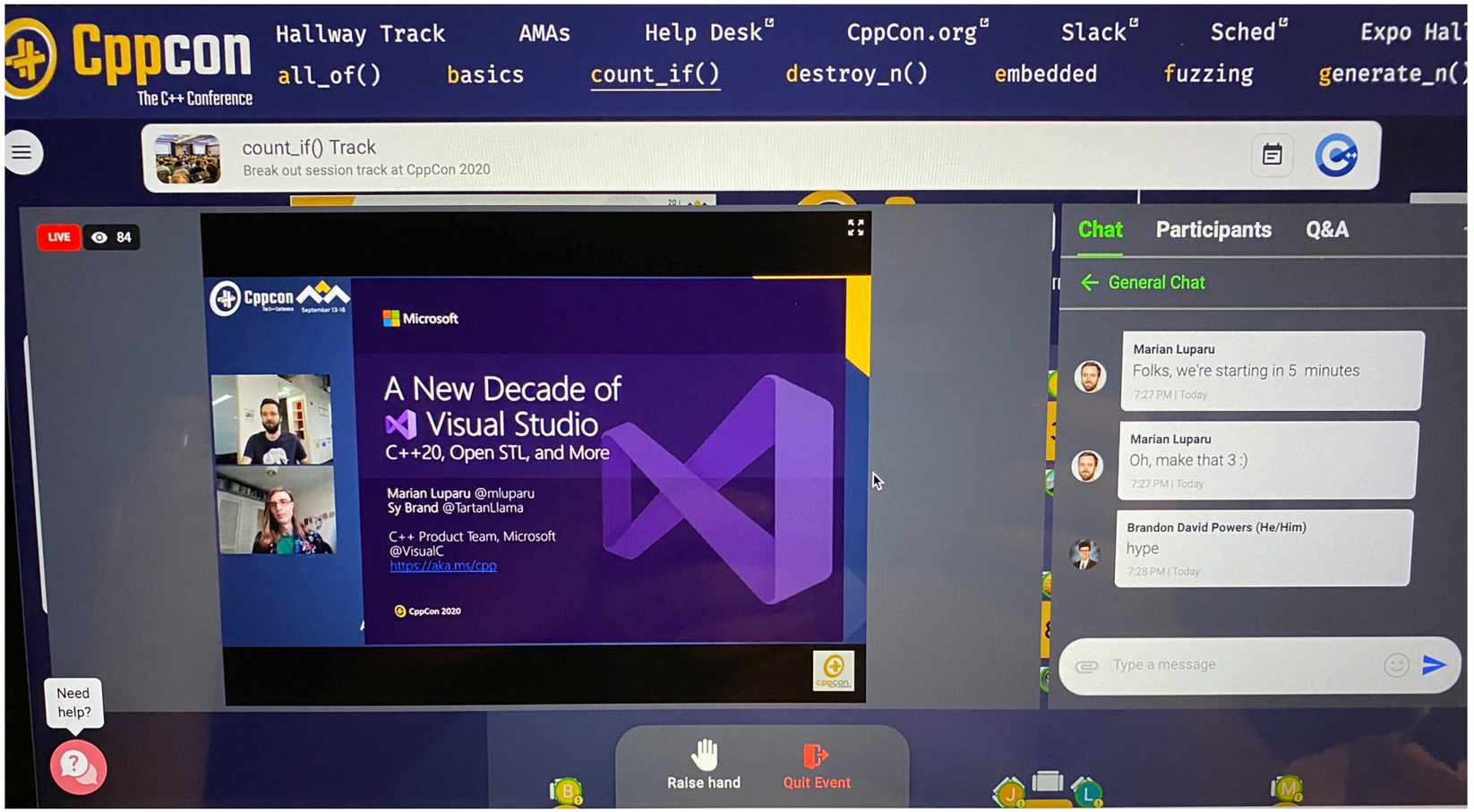

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Experimental

Help needed: Report bugs!

Very soon out of Experimental

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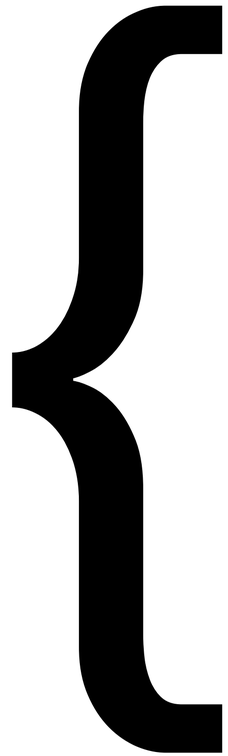

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Visual Studio ASan

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"Thank you" to Microsoft team*

tirelessly working on this

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*** Some of them are available in Remo to answer your questions**

#sig_visual_studio on CppCon Slack

2020: The Year of Sanitizers

Everyone will continue to invest heavily in this area (sanitizers)

just because it’s **so effective** at just finding correctness issues

Microsoft has contributed back to LLVM
all the work they've done to make ASan runtime work on Windows

github.com/llvm/llvm-project/tree/master/compiler-rt

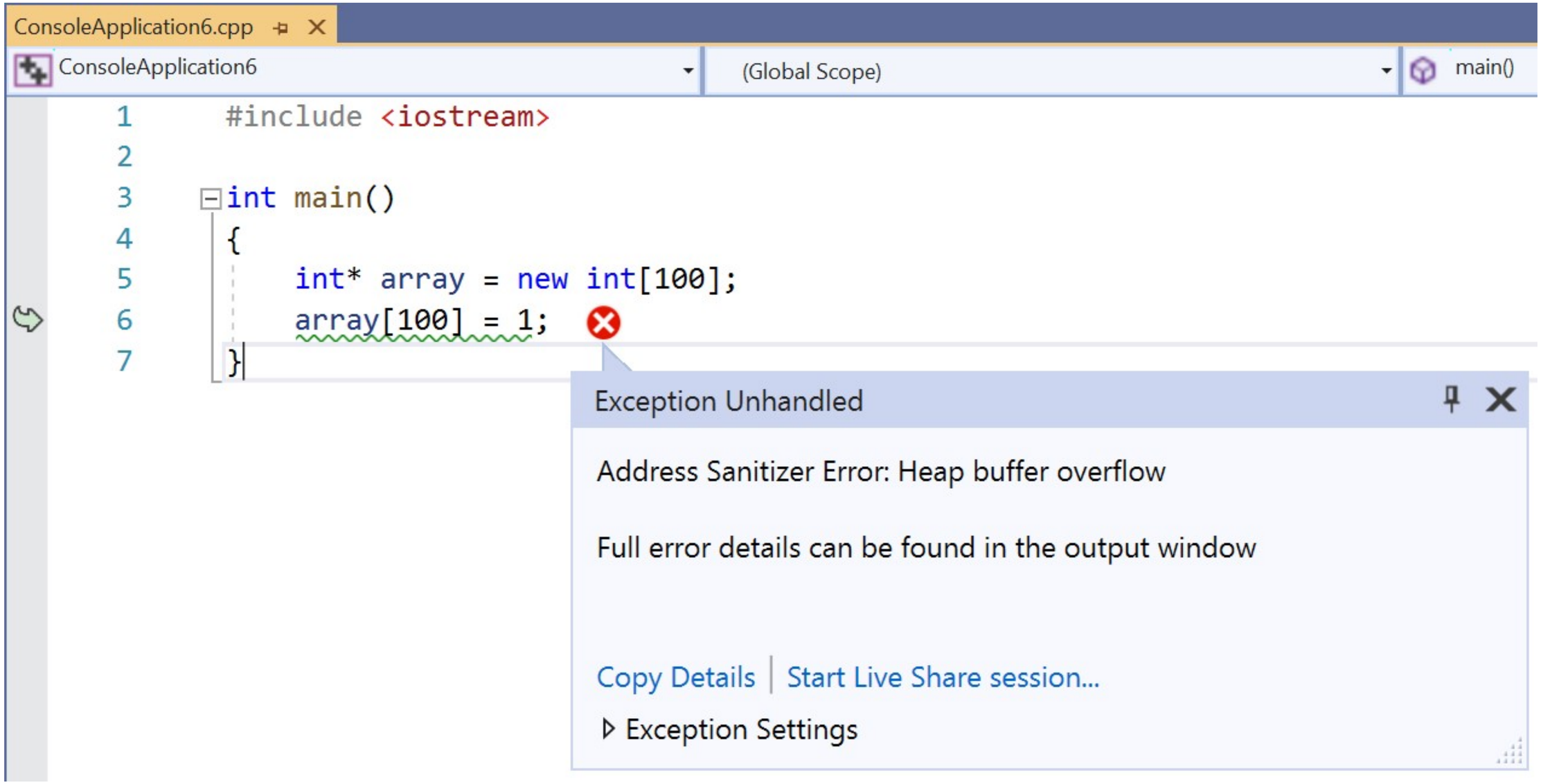
Visual Studio 2019

ASan Visual Studio integration:

- **MSBuild** & **CMake** support for both Windows & Linux
- **Debugger** integration for MSVC and Clang/LLVM

aka.ms/asan

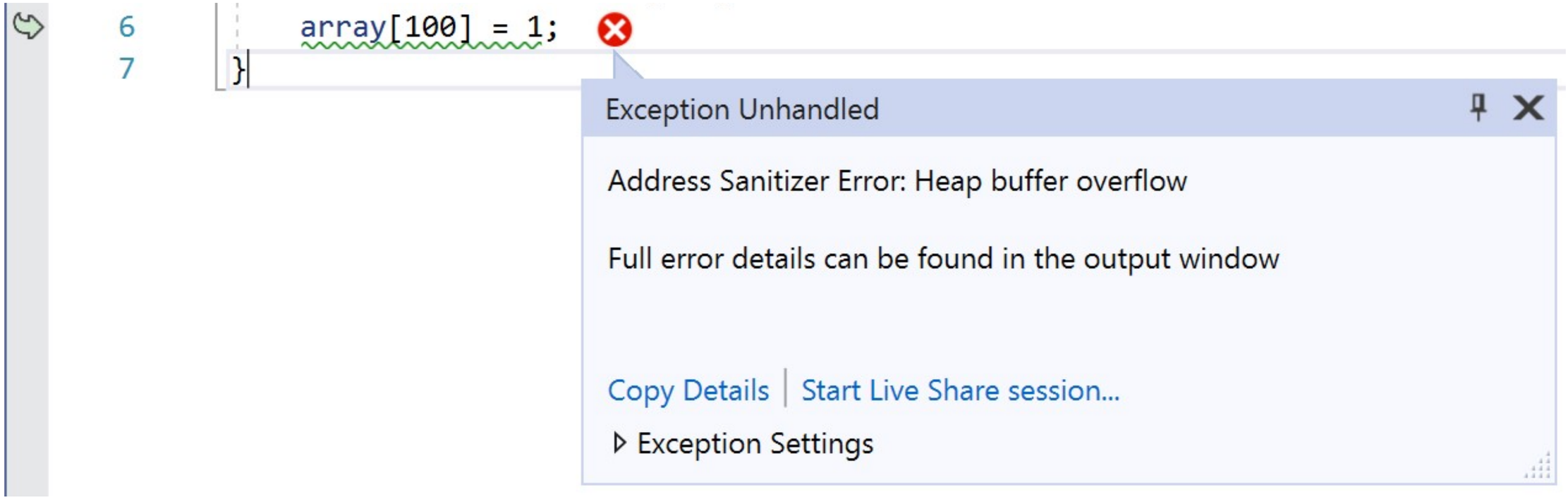
Address Sanitizer (ASan)



Address Sanitizer (ASan)

IDE Exception Helper will be displayed when an issue is encountered
=> program execution will stop

ASan logging information => Output window



Clang/LLVM

```
==27748==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: stack-use-after-scope on address 0x0055fc68 at pc 0x793d62de bp 0x0055fbf4 sp 0x0055fbe8
WRITE of size 80 at 0x0055fc68 thread T0
    #0 0x793d62f6 in __asan_wrap_memset d:\_work\5\s\llvm\projects\compiler-rt\lib\sanitizer_common\sanitizer_common_interceptors.inc:764
    #1 0x77dd46e7  (C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\ntdll.dll+0x4b2c46e7)
    #2 0x77dd4ce1  (C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\ntdll.dll+0x4b2c4ce1)
    #3 0x75d408fe  (C:\WINDOWS\System32\KERNELBASE.dll+0x100f08fe)
    #4 0xa5ada0 in try_get_first_available_module minkernel\crts\ucrt\src\appcrt\internal\winapi_thunks.cpp:271
    #5 0xa5ae99 in try_get_function minkernel\crts\ucrt\src\appcrt\internal\winapi_thunks.cpp:326
    #6 0xa5b028 in __acrt_AppPolicyGetProcessTerminationMethodInternal minkernel\crts\ucrt\src\appcrt\internal\winapi_thunks.cpp:737
    #7 0xa606ad in __acrt_get_process_end_policy minkernel\crts\ucrt\src\appcrt\internal\win_policies.cpp:84
    #8 0xa52dcb in exit_or_terminate_process minkernel\crts\ucrt\src\appcrt\startup\exit.cpp:134
    #9 0xa52da7 in common_exit minkernel\crts\ucrt\src\appcrt\startup\exit.cpp:280
    #10 0xa52fb6 in exit minkernel\crts\ucrt\src\appcrt\startup\exit.cpp:293
    #11 0xa2deb3 in _scrt_common_main_seh d:\agent\_work\2\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_common.inl:295
    #12 0x75ef6358  (C:\WINDOWS\System32\KERNEL32.DLL+0x6b816358)
    #13 0x77df7a93  (C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\ntdll.dll+0x4b2e7a93)

Address 0x0055fc68 is located in stack of thread T0
SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: stack-use-after-scope d:\compiler-rt\lib\sanitizer_common\sanitizer_common_interceptors.inc:764 in __asan_wrap_memset
Shadow bytes around the buggy address:
  0x300abf30: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x300abf70: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
=>0x300abf80: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00[f8]00 00
  0x300abf90: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x300abfd0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
Shadow byte legend (one shadow byte represents 8 application bytes):
  Addressable:           00
  Partially addressable: 01 02 03 04 05 06 07
  Heap left redzone:       fa
  Freed heap region:       fd
  Stack left redzone:      f1
  Stack mid redzone:       f2
  Stack right redzone:     f3
  Stack after return:      f5
  Stack use after scope:   f8
  Global redzone:          f9
  Global init order:       f6
  Poisoned by user:        f7
  Container overflow:      fc
  Array cookie:            ac
  Intra object redzone:    bb
  ASan internal:           fe
  Left alloca redzone:     ca
  Right alloca redzone:    cb
  Shadow gap:              cc
==27748==ABORTING
```

Snapshot File

Game changer!

Minidump file (*.dmp) <= Windows snapshot process (program virtual memory/heap + metadata)

VS can parse & open this => Points at the location the error occurred.

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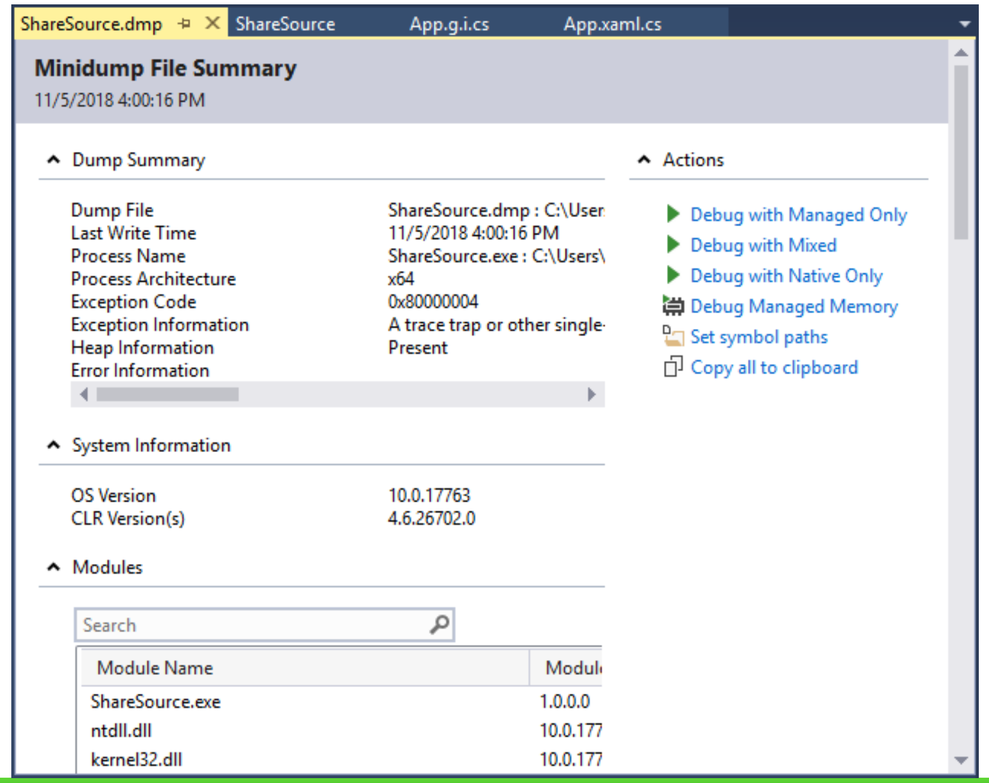
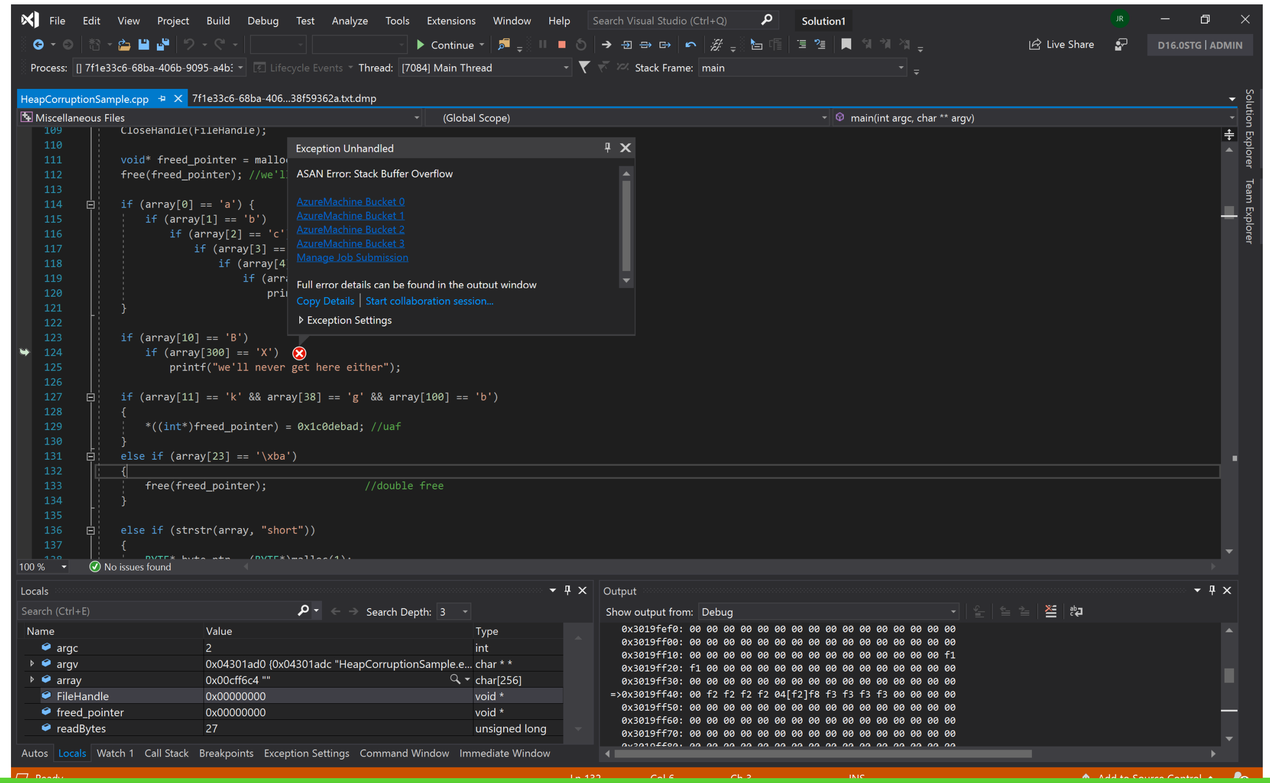
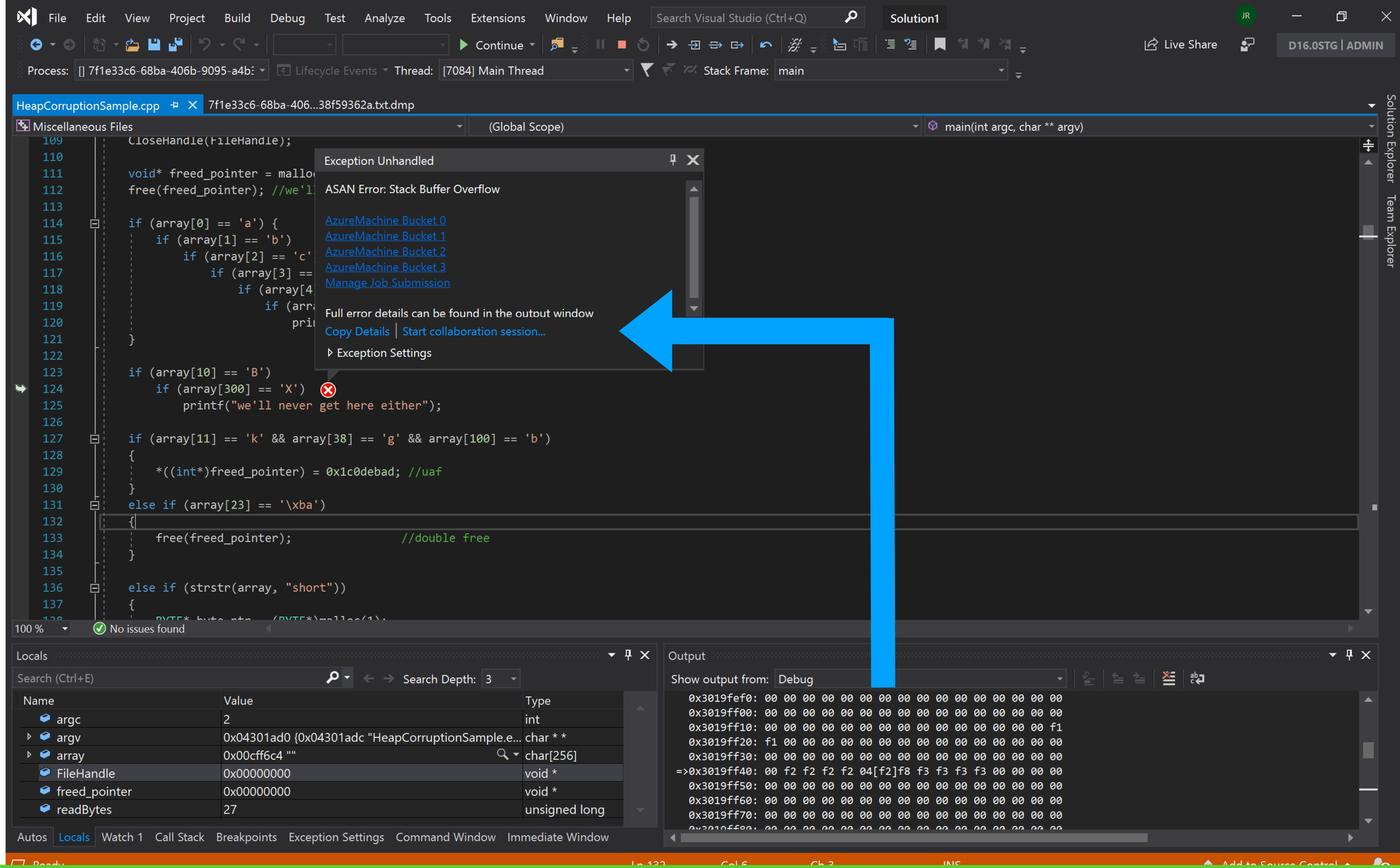


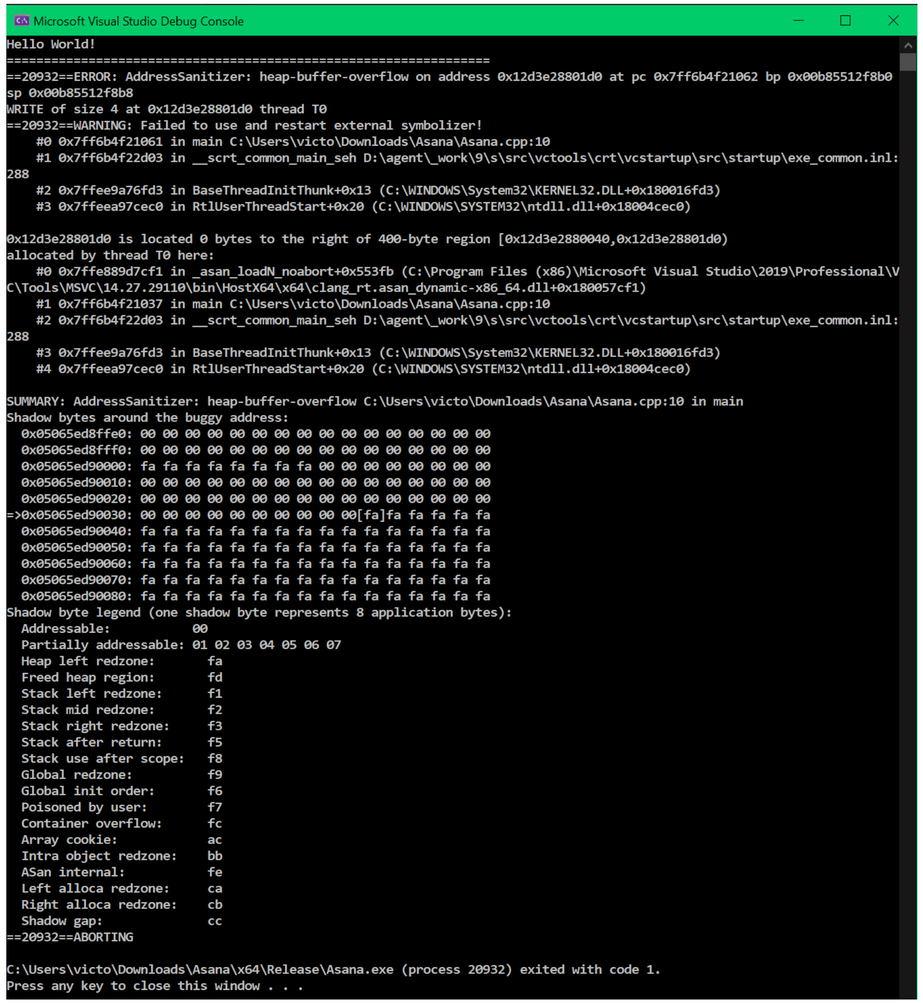


Snapshot Loaded



How does it work ?

ASan is just Malware, used for Good



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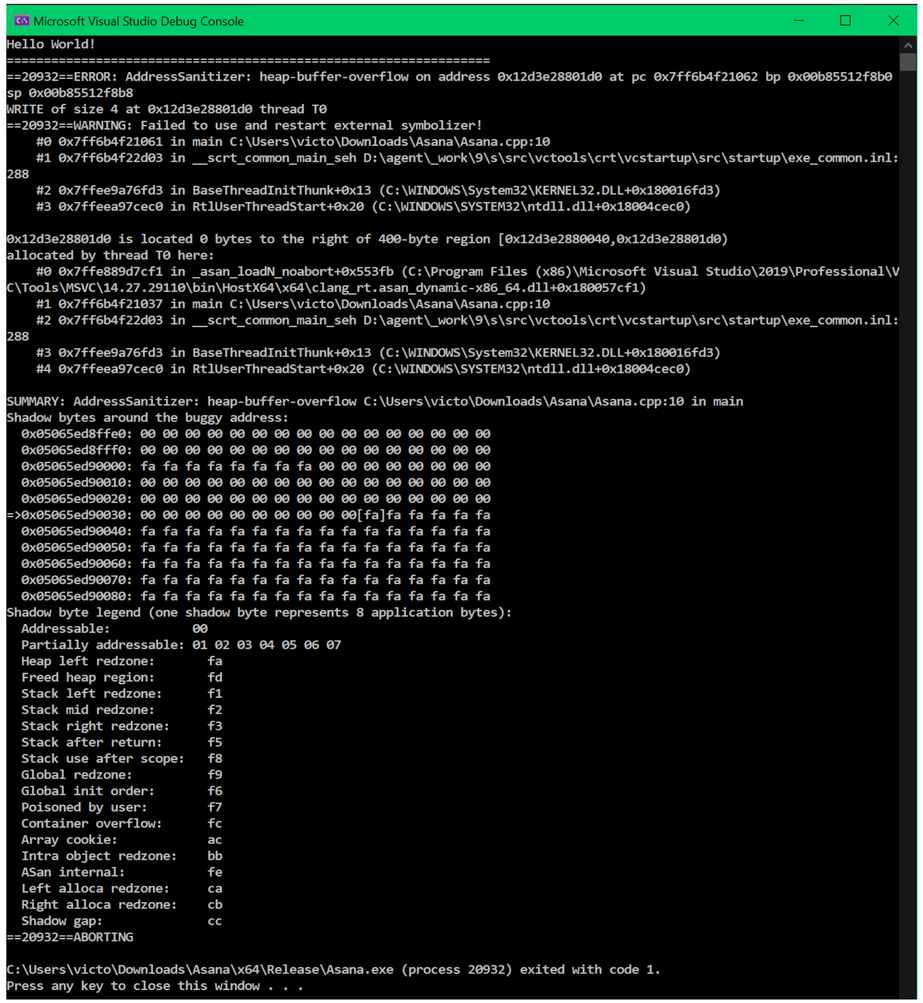

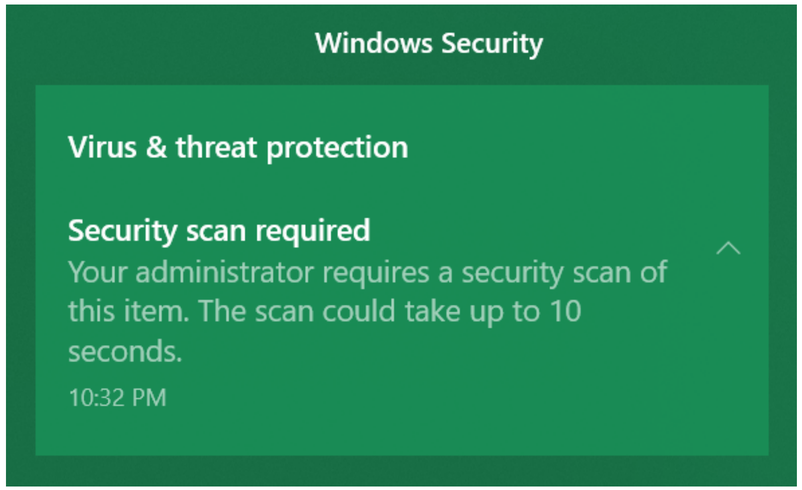

Address Sanitizer (ASan)

Compiler

- instrumentation code, stack layout, and calls into runtime
- meta-data in OBJ for the runtime

Sanitizer Runtime

- hooking `malloc()`, `free()`, `memset()`, etc.
- error analysis and reporting
- does not require complete recompile => great for **interop**
- zero false positives

ASan Report

```
==23364==ERROR: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow on address 0x12ac01b801d0 at
pc 0x7ff6e3a627be bp 0x0097d4b4fac0 sp 0x0097d4b4fac8
WRITE of size 4 at 0x12ac01b801d0 thread T0
#0 0x7ff6e3a627bd in main C:\Asana\Asana.cpp:10
#1 0x7ff6e3a66ce8 in invoke_main D:\agent\_work\9\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_common.inl:78
#2 0x7ff6e3a66bcd in __scrt_common_main_seh D:\agent\_work\9\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_common.inl:288
#3 0x7ff6e3a66a8d in __scrt_common_main D:\agent\_work\9\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_common.inl:330
#4 0x7ff6e3a66d78 in mainCRTStartup D:\agent\_work\9\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_main.cpp:16
#5 0x7ffee9a76fd3 in BaseThreadInitThunk+0x13 (C:\WINDOWS\System32\KERNEL32.DLL+0x180016fd3)
#6 0x7ffeea97cec0 in RtlUserThreadStart+0x20 (C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\ntdll.dll+0x18004cec0)

0x12ac01b801d0 is located 0 bytes to the right of 400-byte region [0x12ac01b80040,0x12ac01b801d0)
allocated by thread T0 here:
#0 0x7ffe83be7e91 in _asan_loadN_noabort+0x55555 (...\bin\HostX64\x64\clang_rt.asan_dbg_dynamic-x86_64.dll+0x180057e91)
#1 0x7ff6e3a62758 in main C:\Asana\Asana.cpp:9
#2 0x7ff6e3a66ce8 in invoke_main D:\agent\_work\9\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_common.inl:78
#3 0x7ff6e3a66bcd in __scrt_common_main_seh D:\agent\_work\9\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_common.inl:288
#4 0x7ff6e3a66a8d in __scrt_common_main D:\agent\_work\9\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_common.inl:330
#5 0x7ff6e3a66d78 in mainCRTStartup D:\agent\_work\9\s\src\vctools\crt\vcstartup\src\startup\exe_main.cpp:16
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#7 0x7ffeea97cec0 in RtlUserThreadStart+0x20 (C:\WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\ntdll.dll+0x18004cec0)
```

```
SUMMARY: AddressSanitizer: heap-buffer-overflow C:\Asana\Asana.cpp:10 in main()

Shadow bytes around the buggy address:
  0x04d981eeffe0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x04d981eefff0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x04d981ef0000: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x04d981ef0010: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
  0x04d981ef0020: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
=>0x04d981ef0030: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00[fa]fa fa fa fa fa
  0x04d981ef0040: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x04d981ef0050: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x04d981ef0060: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x04d981ef0070: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
  0x04d981ef0080: fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa fa
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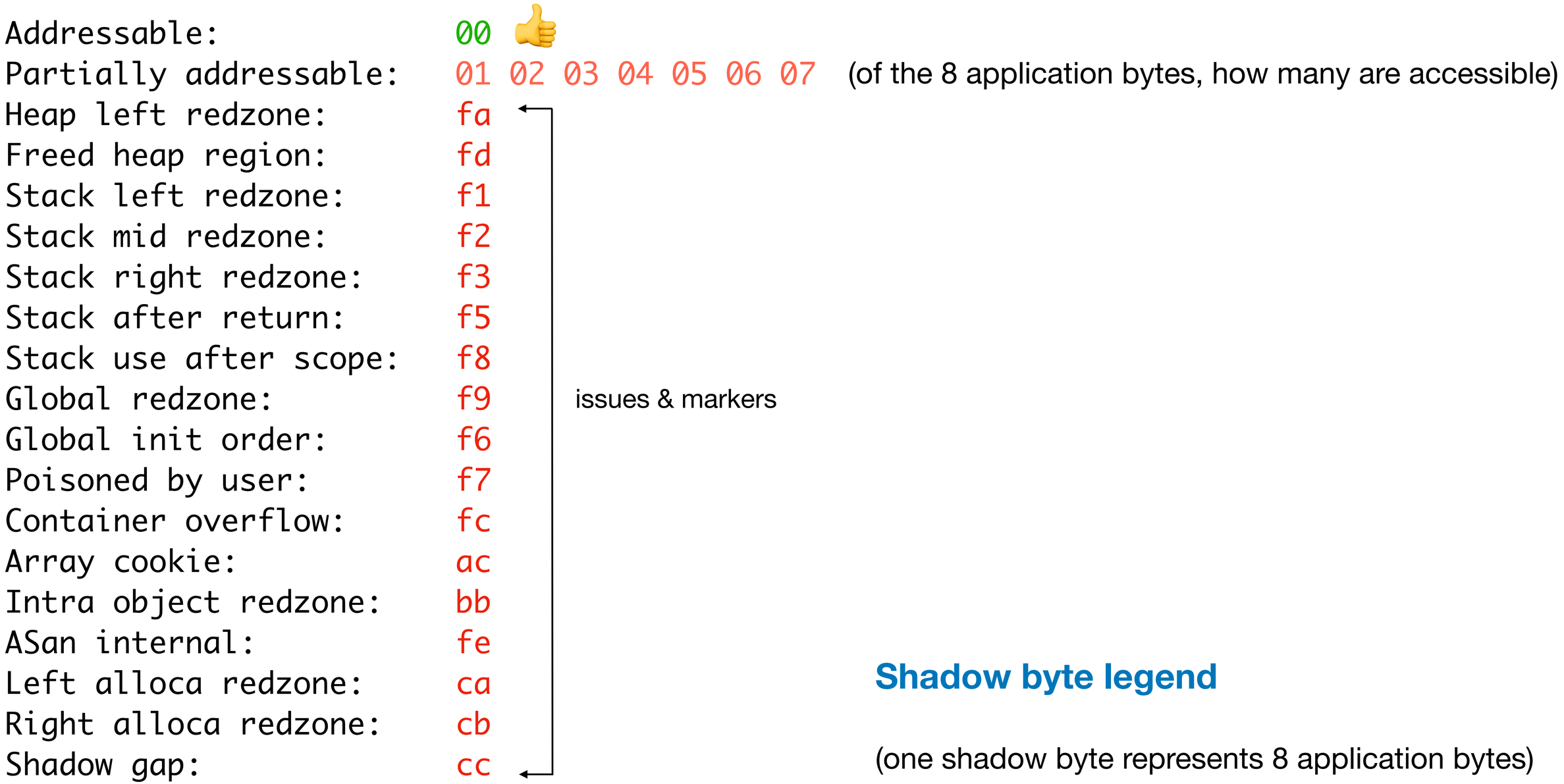
Addressable: 00
Partially addressable: 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 (of the 8 application bytes, how many are accessible)
Heap left redzone: fa
Freed heap region: fd
Stack left redzone: f1
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Stack right redzone: f3
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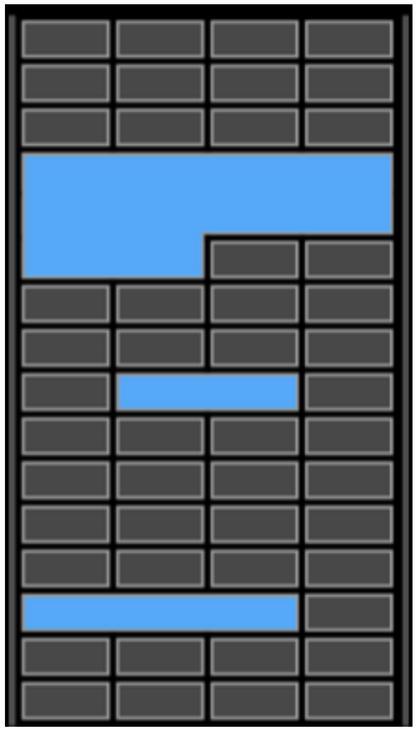
Shadow gap: cc
issues & markers
Shadow byte legend
(one shadow byte represents 8 application bytes)

Shadow Mapping



my allocated memory

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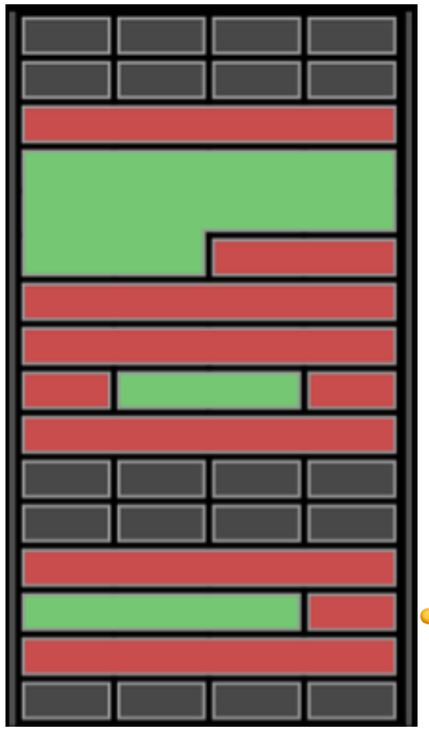
Process Memory



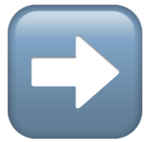
Shadow Memory

🧪☣️ Poisoned memory

👉 Red zones

Code Generation
(simplified)

```
*p = 0xbadf00d
```



```
if (ShadowByte::IsBad(p))
  AsanRt::Report(p, sz)

*p = 0xbadf00d
```

If the shadow byte is poisoned,

ASAN runtime **reports** the problem and **crashes** the application

Code Generation
(simplified)

Lookups into shadow memory need to be very fast

ASAN maintains a lookup table where every **8 bytes** of user memory are tracked by **1 shadow byte**

=> **1/8** of the address space (shadow region)

A Shadow Byte: `*( (User_Address >> 3) + 0x30000000 ) = 0xF8;`

Stack use after scope

Code Generation
(simplified)

Lookups into shadow memory need to be very fast

```
bool ShadowByte::IsBad(Addr) // is poisoned ?
{
  Shadow = Addr >> 3 + Offset;
  return (*Shadow) != 0;
}
```

Location of shadow region in memory

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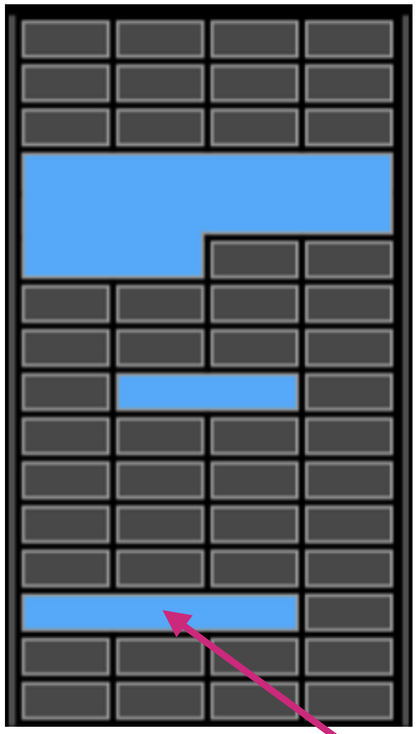

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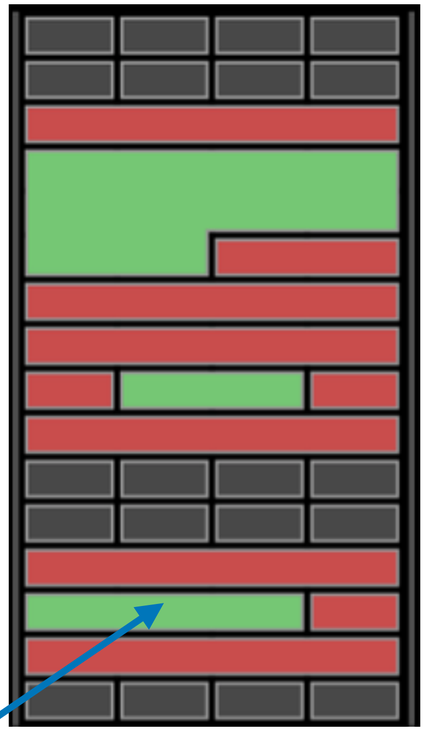
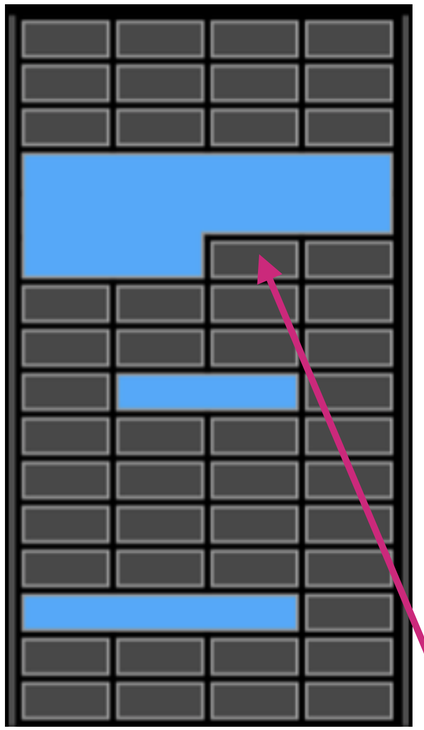


Shadow Memory

p

ShadowByte(p)

Shadow Mapping



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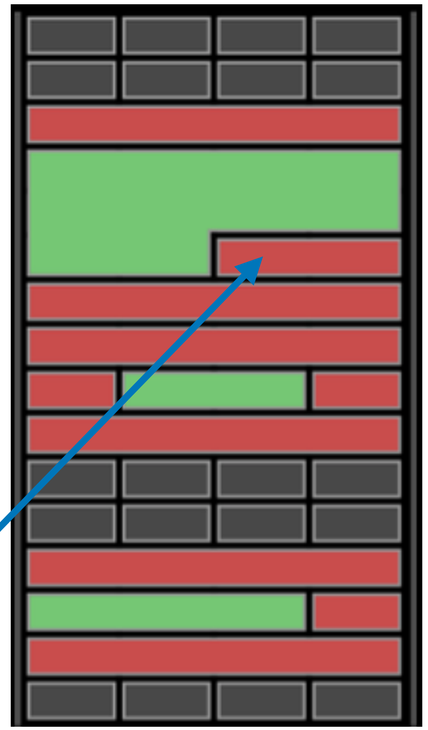

Shadow Memory

p

ShadowByte(p)

Heap Red Zones

`malloc()`

`ASAN malloc()`

Heap Red Zones

ASAN malloc()

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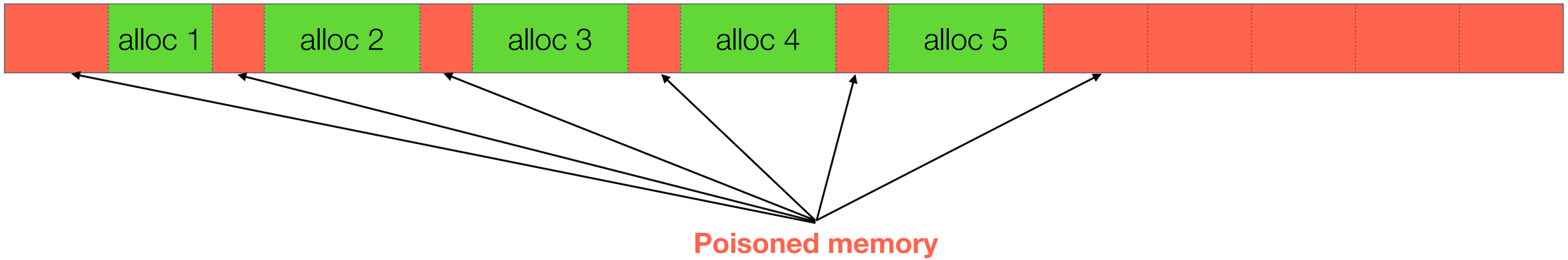
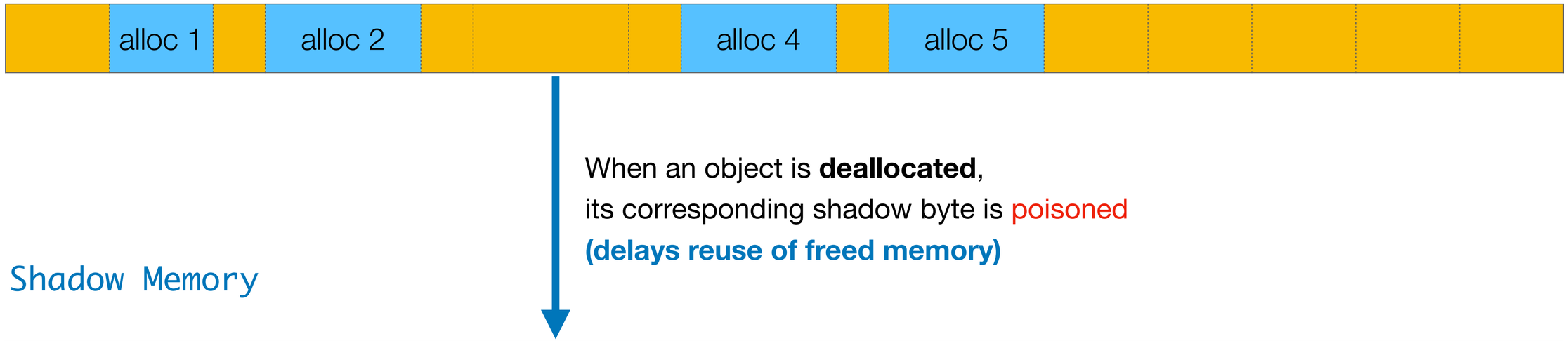


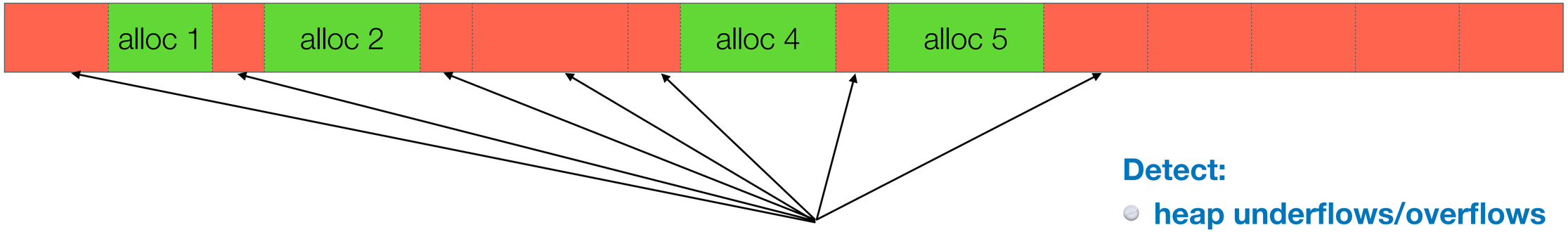
Heap Red Zones

ASAN malloc()



When an object is **deallocated**,
its corresponding shadow byte is poisoned
(delays reuse of freed memory)

Shadow Memory

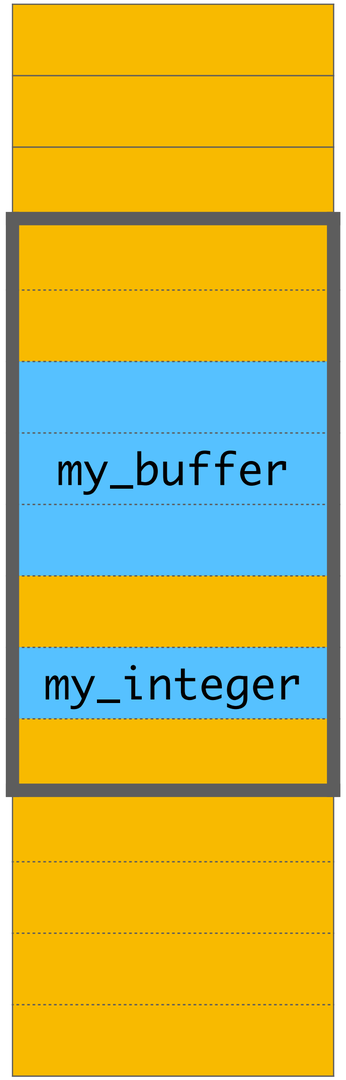


Poisoned memory

Detect:

- **heap underflows/overflows**
- **use-after-free & double free**

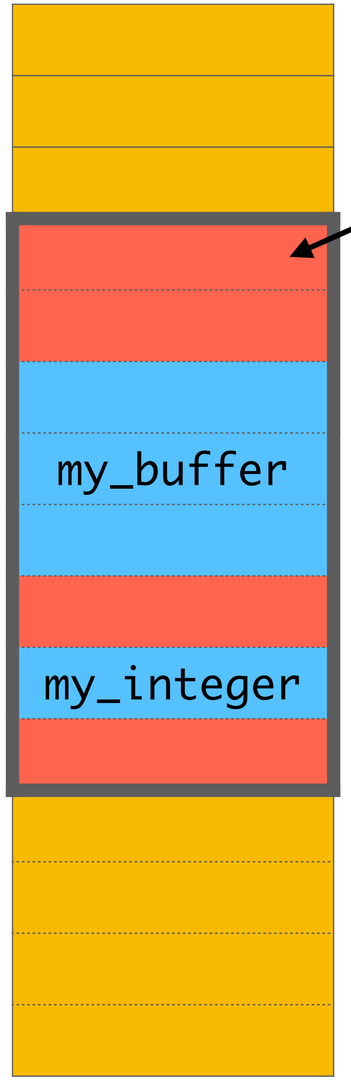
Stack Red Zones



Stack

```
void Func()
{
  std::byte my_buffer[12];
  int my_integer = 5;
  ...
  ...
  ...
  ...
  my_buffer[12] = 0;
}
```

Stack Red Zones



Stack

at runtime, the stack is **poisoned** when entering the function

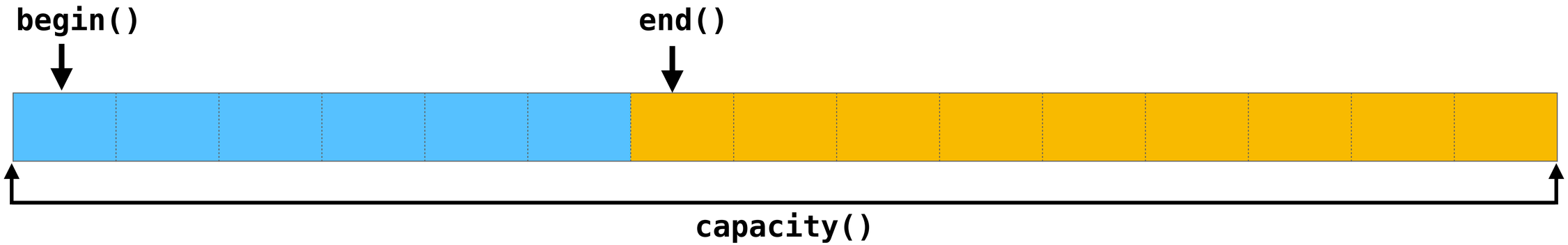
```
void Func()
{
  std::byte my_buffer[12];
  int my_integer = 5;
  ...

  if (AsanRt::IsPoisoned(&my_buffer[12]))
    AsanRt::Report(my_buffer);
  my_buffer[12] = 0;
}
```

stack red zones are **un-poisoned** when exiting the function

AddressSanitizer ContainerOverflow

`std::vector<T>`



with the help of **code annotations** in **std::vector**

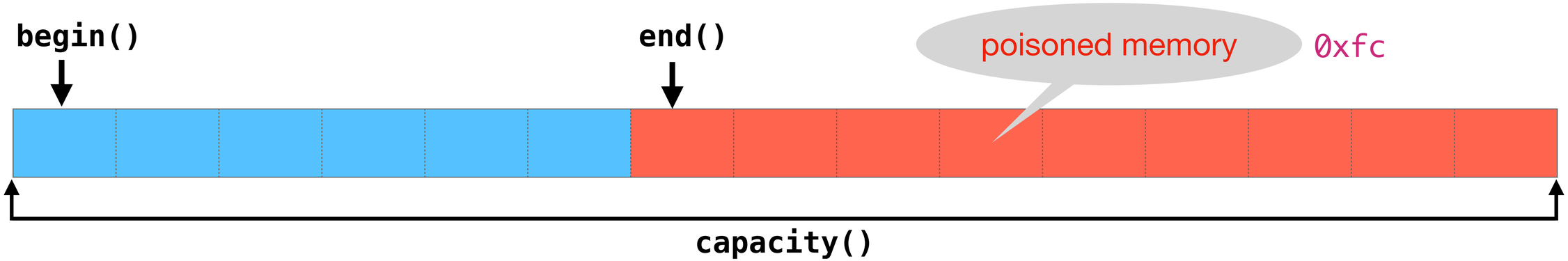
libc++

libstdc++

https://github.com/google/sanitizers/wiki/AddressSanitizerContainerOverflow

AddressSanitizer ContainerOverflow

`std::vector<T>`




```
std::vector<int> v;
v.push_back(0);
v.push_back(1);
v.push_back(2);
assert(v.capacity() >= 4);
assert(v.size() == 3);

T * p = &v[0];
std::cout << p[3];
```

container-overflow

0xfc

`v[3]` could be detected by simple checks in `std::vector`

https://github.com/google/sanitizers/wiki/AddressSanitizerContainerOverflow

Address Sanitizer (ASan)

Very fast instrumentation

The average slowdown of the instrumented program is ~2x

github.com/google/sanitizers/wiki/AddressSanitizerPerformanceNumbers

Problems & Gotchas

Stuff you need to know

VS 16.7.x**-16.8**.Preview

Compiling/linking from command-line

Manual CLI compile/link can be tedious,
be careful in choosing the correct **ASan libraries** to link against

Check here for all the details:

devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/asan-for-windows-x64-and-debug-build-support/

Eg.

- **Compiling a single static EXE**
  link the static runtime `asan-i386.lib` and the cxx library

- **Compiling an EXE with /MT runtime which will use ASan-instrumented DLLs**
  the EXE needs to have `asan-i386.lib` linked and
  the DLLs need the `clang_rt.asan_dll_thunk-i386.lib`

- **When compiling with the /MD dynamic runtime**
  all EXE and DLLs with instrumentation should be linked with
  `asan_dynamic-i386.lib` and `clang_rt.asan_dynamic_runtime_thunk-i386.lib`
  At runtime, these libraries will refer to the
  `clang_rt.asan_dynamic-i386.dll` shared ASan runtime.

/ZI
Edit and Continue (Debug)

```
error MSB8059:

-fsanitize=address (Enable Address Sanitizer) is incompatible with option
'edit-and-continue' debug information /ZI
```

Mixing ASan & non-ASan modules

Problem:

A non-ASan built executable can NOT call `LoadLibrary()` on a DLL built with ASAN.

Reason:

ASan runtime is tracking memory and the non-ASan executable might have done something like `HeapAlloc()`

This limitation is a problem if you're building a plugin (DLL)

MSVC team is considering dealing with this issue in a later release

devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/asan-for-windows-x64-and-debug-build-support/

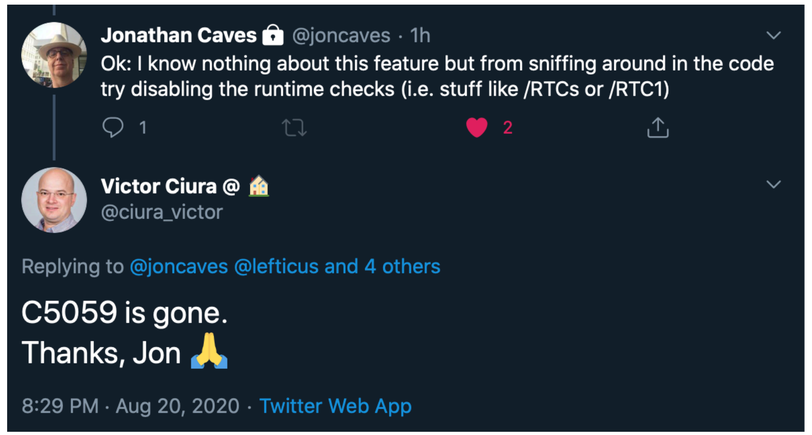
/RTCs and /RTC1 Runtime Checks

`warning C5059:`

runtime checks and address sanitizer is not currently supported - disabling runtime checks

If you use **`/WX`** this harmless/informative warning becomes a build blocker **:(**

=> we had to disable `/RTCs` and `/RTC1` so we could do the ASan experiments



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Building an EXE

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Building a static LIB, linked into an EXE

Linker Trouble?

Building a static LIB, linked into an EXE

[Debug | x64]

```
>libucrtd.lib(debug_heap.obj) : warning LNK4006: _calloc_dbg already defined in clang_rt.asan_dbg-x86_64.lib(asan_malloc_win.cc.obj); second definition ignored
>libucrtd.lib(debug_heap.obj) : warning LNK4006: _expand_dbg already defined in clang_rt.asan_dbg-x86_64.lib(asan_malloc_win.cc.obj); second definition ignored
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>libucrtd.lib(debug_heap.obj) : warning LNK4006: _recalloc_dbg already defined in clang_rt.asan_dbg-x86_64.lib(asan_malloc_win.cc.obj); second definition ignored
>libucrtd.lib(expand.obj)     : warning LNK4006: _expand already defined in clang_rt.asan_dbg-x86_64.lib(asan_malloc_win.cc.obj); second definition ignored
```

[Debug | x86]

```
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defined in clang_rt.asan_cxx-i386.lib(asan_new_delete.cc.obj)

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⚠ **if you link statically to MFC lib**

developercommunity.visualstudio.com/content/problem/1144525/mfc-application-fails-to-link-with-address-sanitiz.html

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In general, if you have overrides for:

```
void* operator new(size_t size);
```

Workarounds:

- set `/FORCE:MULTIPLE` in the linker command line (settings)
- temporarily set your MFC application to link to **shared** MFC DLLs for testing with ASan

FAQ

Can ASan also detect memory leaks ?

Some

Eg.

> If you don’t use a virtual destructor you might see an error message that says something like: “`new` and `delete` mismatch. You allocated 16 bytes but freed 8”.

Explore Further

AddressSanitizer (ASan) for Windows with MSVC

devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/addresssanitizer-asan-for-windows-with-msvc/

AddressSanitizer for Windows: x64 and Debug Build Support

devblogs.microsoft.com/cppblog/asan-for-windows-x64-and-debug-build-support/

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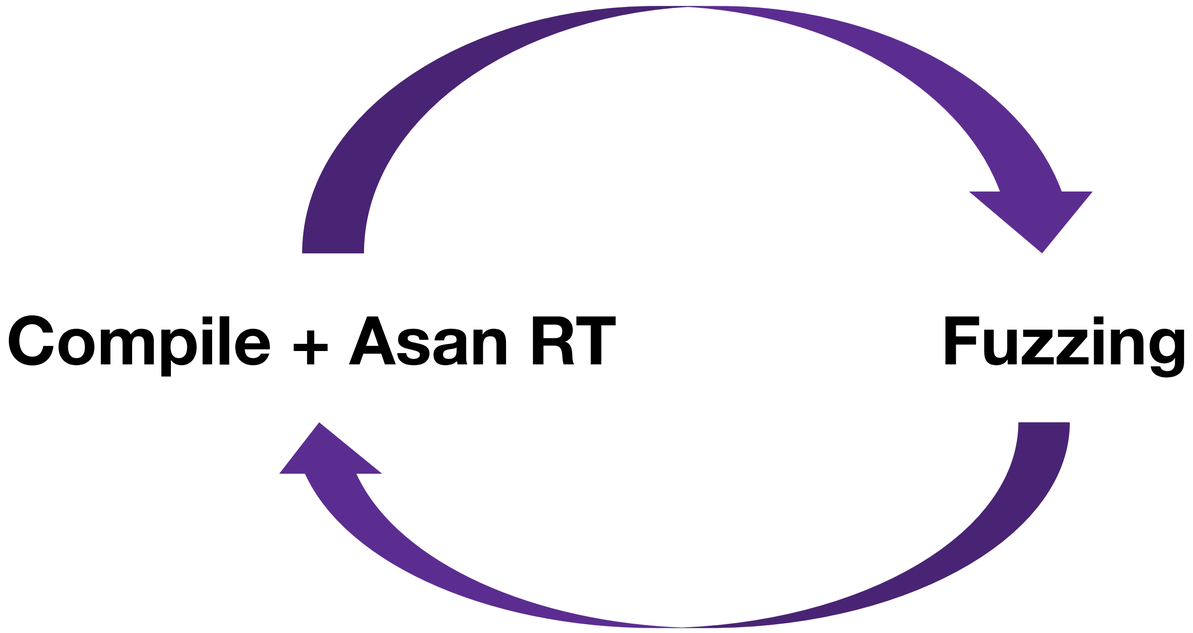
Part III

Warm Fuzzy Feelings

Sanitizers + Fuzzing

Automatically generate inputs to you program to crash it.

Workflow



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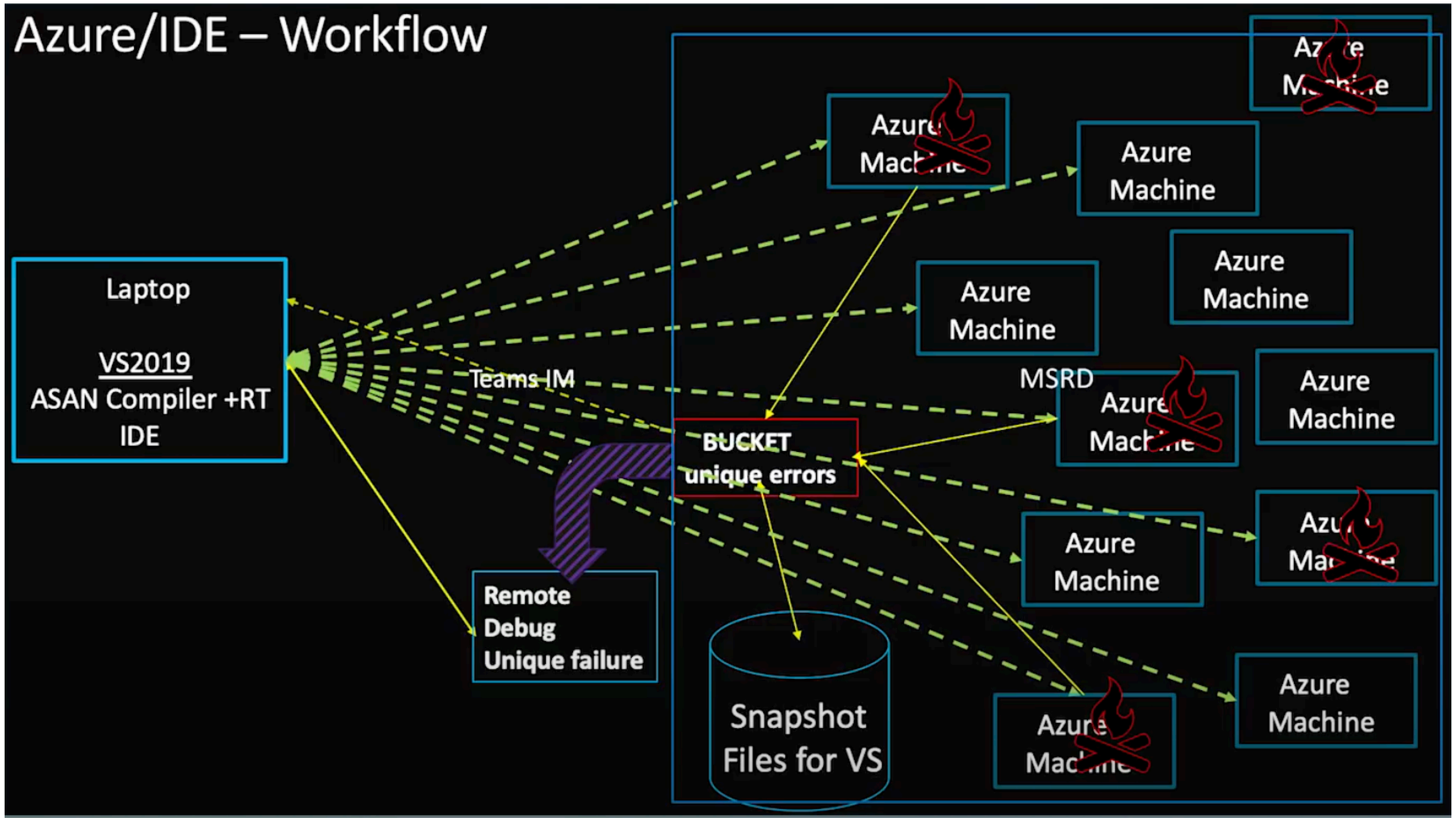

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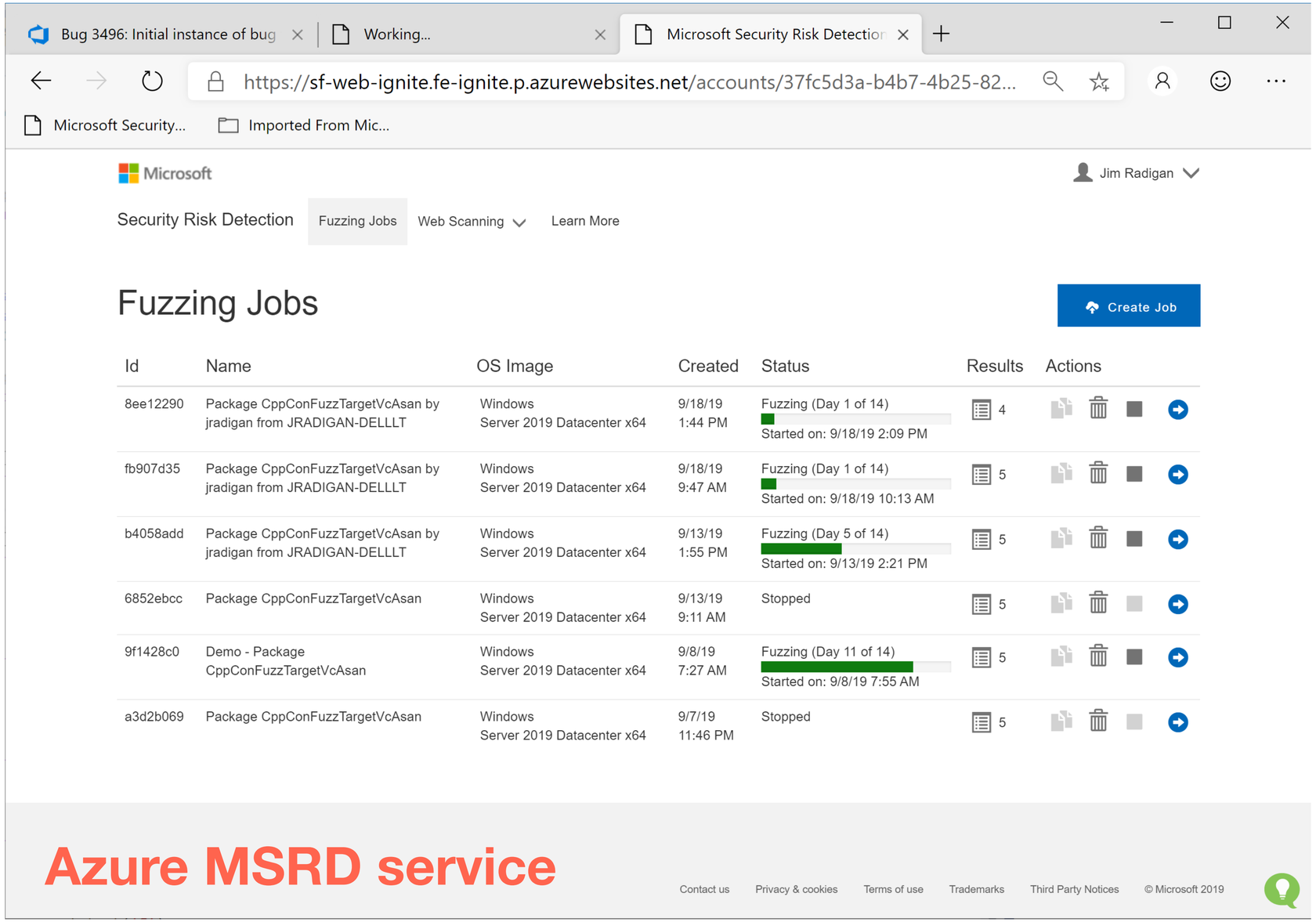

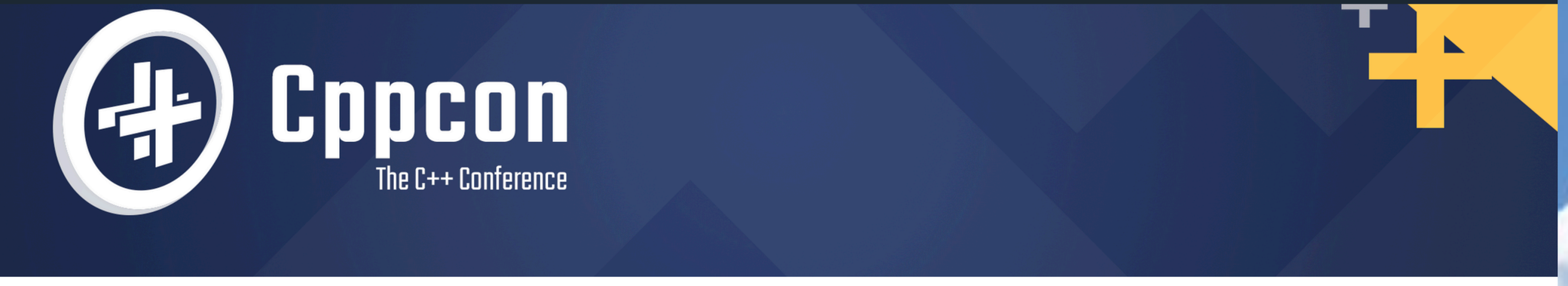

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Microsoft is currently fuzzing Windows continuously in Azure using libfuzzer and a fuzzing platform developed at Microsoft Research that we are releasing as Open Source at CppCon. Developers continuously building libfuzzer-based test binaries utilizing sanitizers and coverage instrumentation can now launch fuzzing jobs in the cloud with a single command line. This talk will introduce the framework and its capabilities including a live demo.

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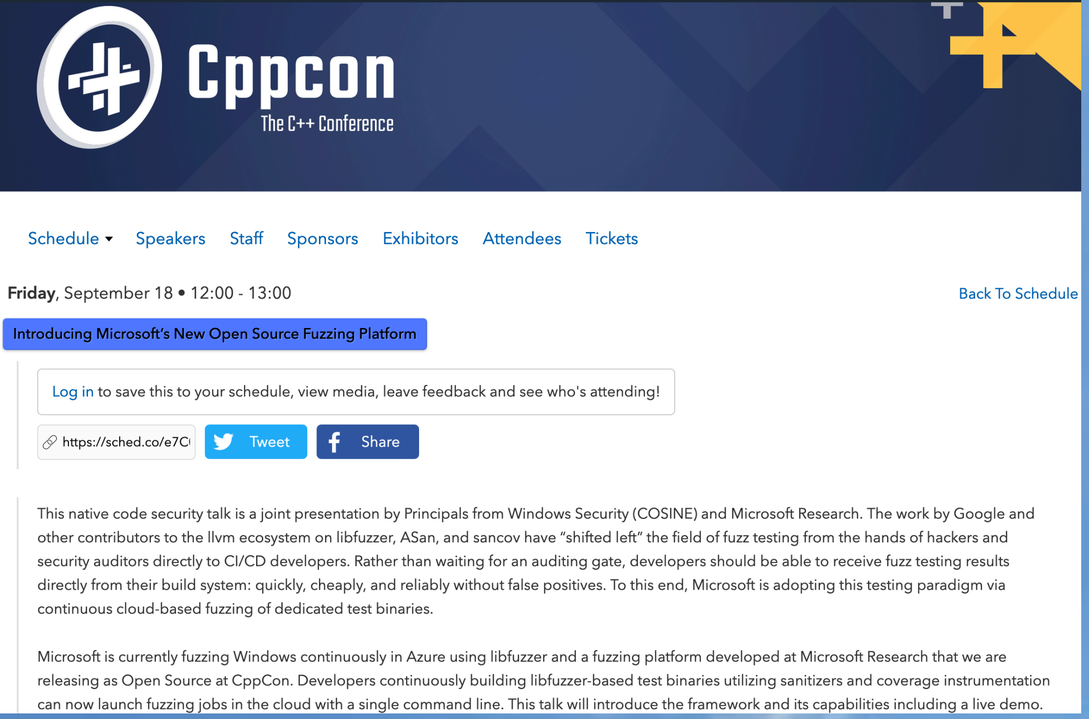

Microsoft's "OneFuzz"

a platform you will be able to download from Github and run fuzzing in Azure

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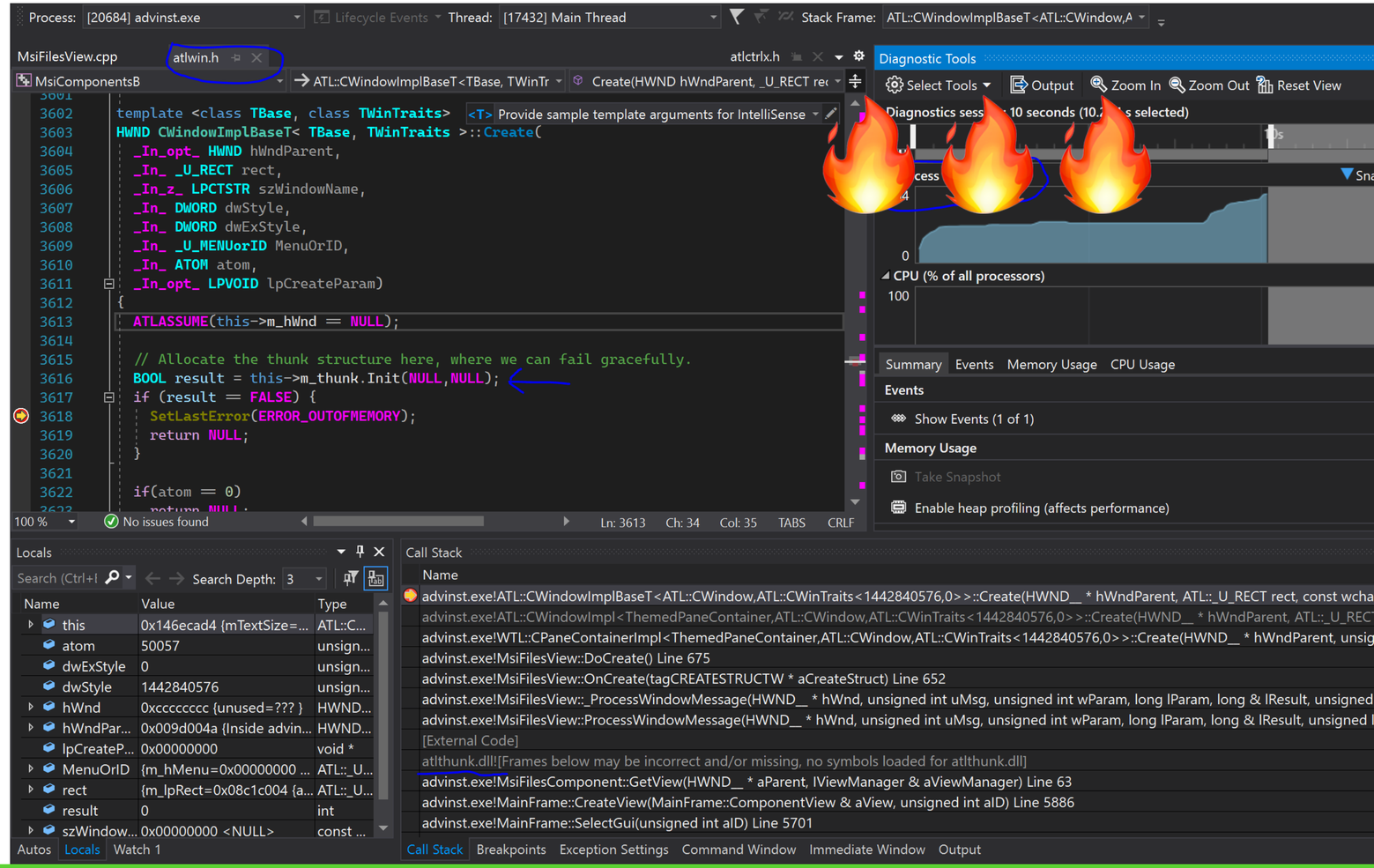
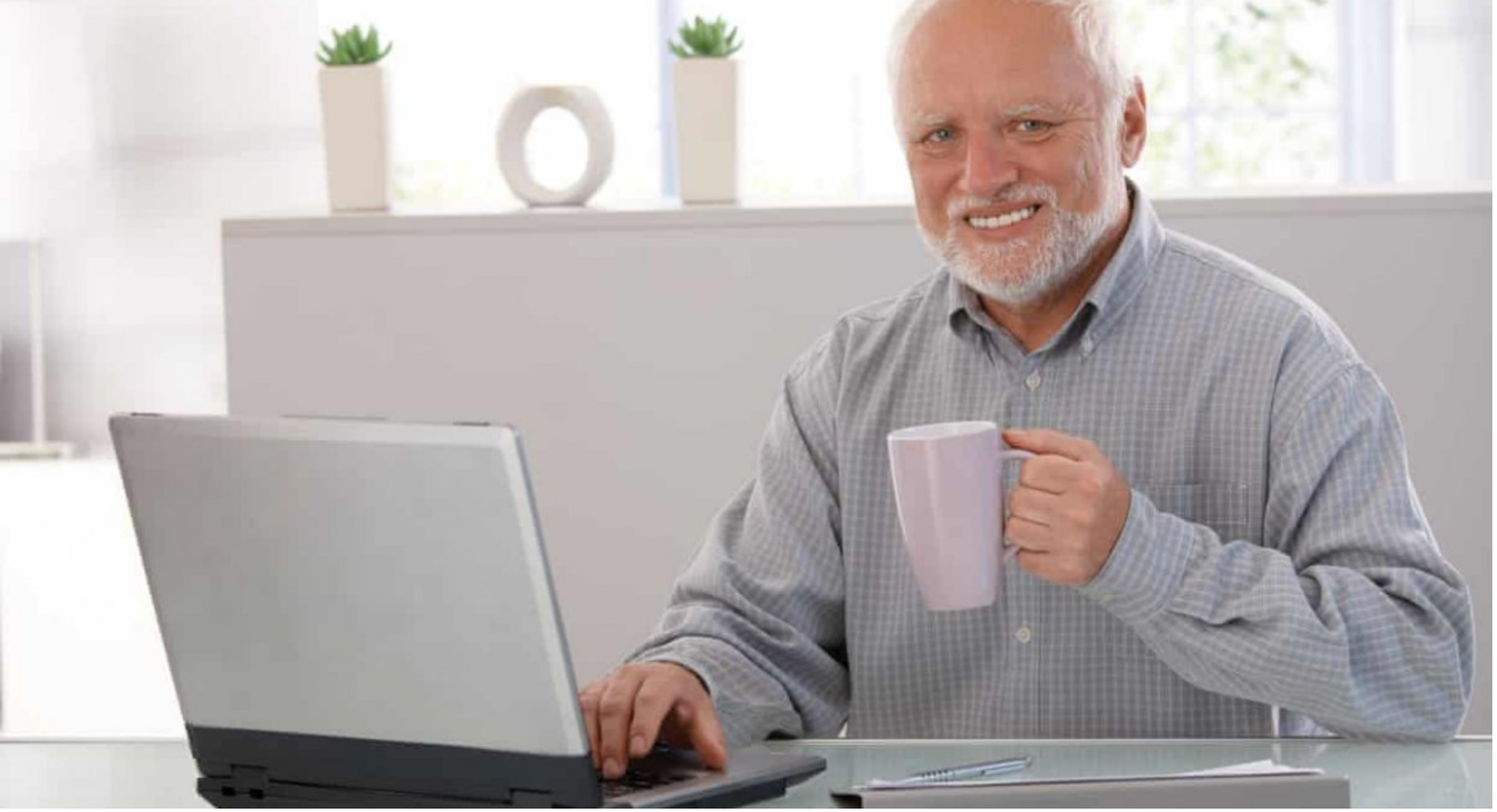
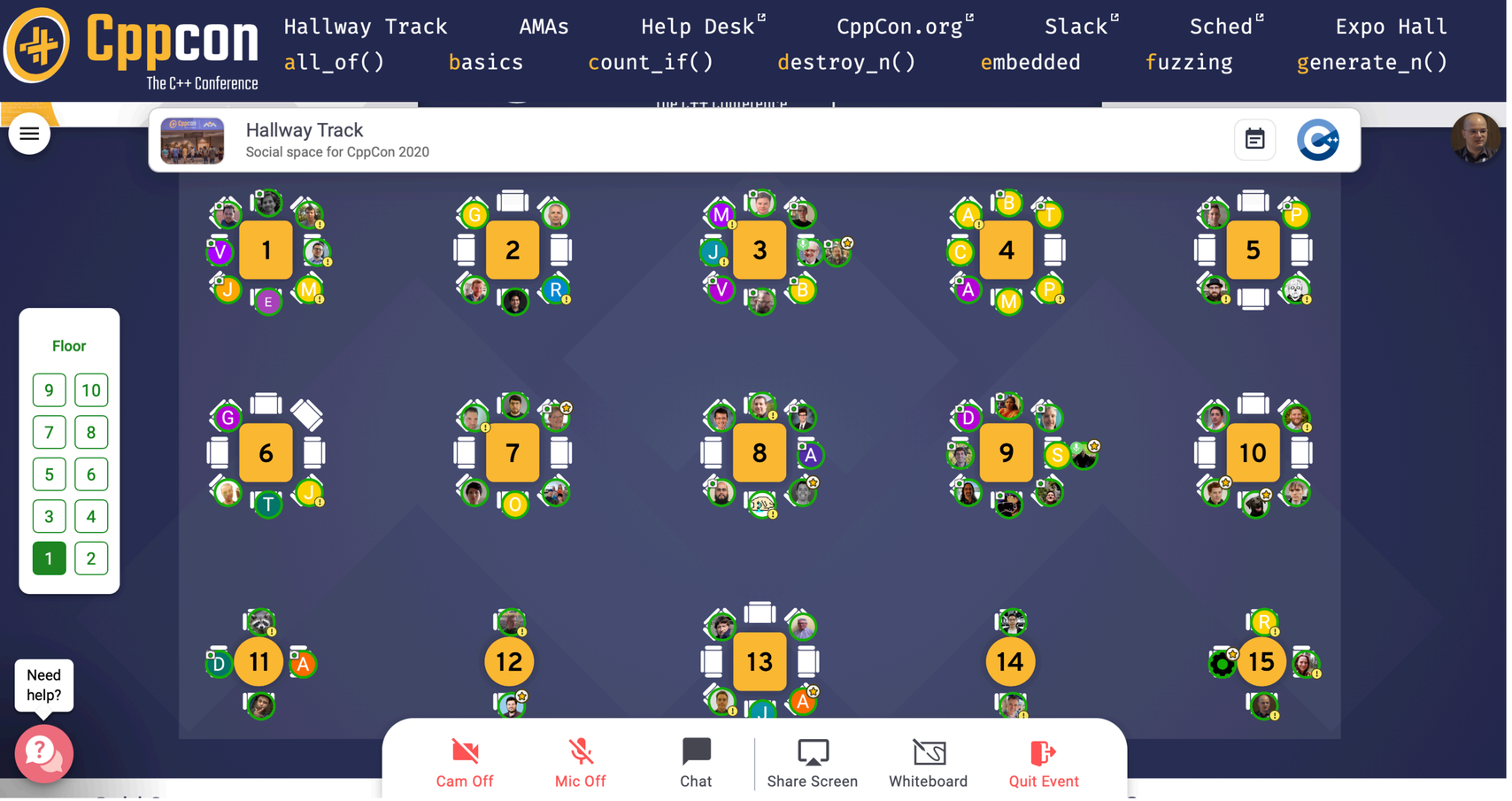
Looking forward to many days of bug-fixing ahead 😬





I hope you're now as excited as I am for leveraging the power of ASan on Windows



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Myself as well as people on Visual C++ team are available in **Remo** to answer your questions

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