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# Fuzzing

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# Announcements

- Social this Thursday (March 9th)
- Have a relaxing spring break!



ctf.sigpwny.com

```
sigpwny{main(rand())}
```



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# What is fuzzing?



# Fuzzing basics

- Automated testing by sending random inputs
- Goal is to induce crashes or otherwise invalid program behavior
- Crashes indicate a potential vulnerability
- Usually used by companies to test their own software



# Terminology

- Coverage
  - Amount of code reached for a given input
- Corpus
  - Collection of "interesting" inputs (high coverage)
- CFG
  - Control flow graph: each node is a "basic block"



# Techniques



## Snapshots

- Program startup and shutdown can be slow
- Save the state of the program after it starts for faster reloading

## Mutation-based

- Testing variants of valid inputs
- e.g. modifying png files to produce semi-valid inputs to libpng

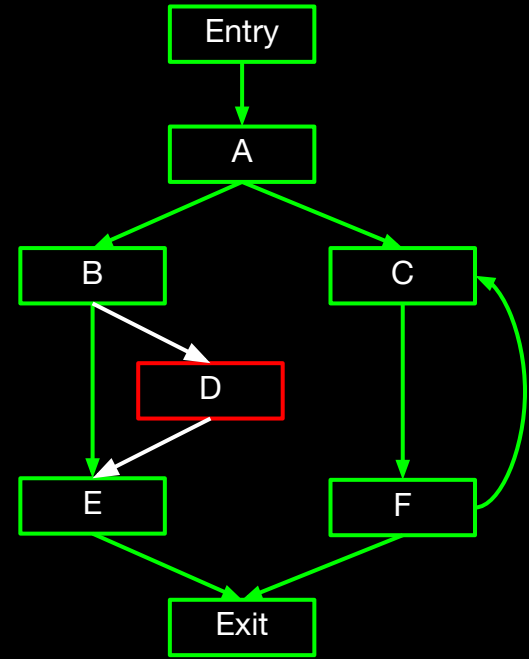




# Techniques

## Structure-aware

- Aware of code paths in a program
- More code coverage → more bugs found
- Can combine with symbolic execution (white-box) or mutation-based (gray-box) to increase code coverage



# Advanced Techniques

- differential fuzzing
  - test different implementations of the same spec
- concolic fuzzing
  - use symbolic execution to find interesting paths
- coverage-guided tracing
  - on-demand instrumentation for binary targets



# Active research

- HALucinator
  - rehost firmware for fuzzing on another machine
- Jetset
  - using symbolic execution to find firmware initialization constraints



# Tools



# libfuzzer



- Integrated with LLVM (Clang)
- Source based
- Compile with flag `-fsanitize=fuzzer`
  - Runs libfuzzer's own main
  - Run with `./binary_name <corpus_directory>`
- Clang adds coverage instrumentation
- Implement function

```
int LLVMFuzzerTestOneInput(const uint8_t *Data, size_t Size) {  
    RunMyProgramWithInput(Data, Size);  
    return 0;  
}
```



# libfuzzer (cont.)

- helpful options
  - `-fork=N` run multiple fuzzers in parallel
  - `-timeout` change timeout
  - `-rss_limit_mb` change memory limit
  - `-malloc_limit_mb` change single malloc limit



# AFL++

- Supports binary-only fuzzing
  - QEMU, Unicorn, WINE runners
- Binary level coverage
  - Integration with DynamoRIO and Pintool



# Example







andoma Merge pull request #12 from jakibaki/master ...

e81176b on Aug 28, 2018 193 commits

docs	Update documentation, README and add some WebAssembly exam...	7 years ago
examples	Update documentation, README and add some WebAssembly exam...	7 years ago
src	Add newline in vmir_puts	5 years ago
sysroot/usr/include	sysroot: Add lseek() and related SEEK_ defs	7 years ago
test	Compile gcc-torture tests with -Oz for wasm output	7 years ago
tlsf	Initial	8 years ago
.doozer.json	doozer: Add centos and osx as build targets	7 years ago
.gitignore	Update documentation, README and add some WebAssembly exam...	7 years ago
LICENSE	Add license file	7 years ago
Makefile	Add a "clean" target to the Makefile	5 years ago
README.md	Update documentation, README and add some WebAssembly exam...	7 years ago

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# VMIR - Virtual Machine for Intermediate Representation



VMIR is a standalone library written in C that can parse and execute:

- WebAssembly `.wasm` files
- LLVM Bitcode `.bc` files

Optionally it can generate machine code (JIT) to speed up execution significantly. JIT is currently only supported on 32 bit ARM.

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## About

Virtual Machine for Intermediate Representation

[virtual-machine](#)[webassembly](#)[llvm-bitcode](#)

Readme

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31 watching

78 forks

## Releases

No releases published

## Packages

No packages published

## Contributors 5



## Languages

● C 98.7% ● Other 1.3%

# VMIR

- WebAssembly and LLVM bitcode runtime
- **JIT** (Just in time) compilation
- **Written in C**
- Written in 2016 and not widely used
  - Should be full of bugs!
- Example will use libfuzzer from LLVM



# First steps

- Clone repository
- Follow build instructions
- Check that it runs

```
$ ./vmir examples/prebuilt/sha1sum.wasm  
Declared table size:0  
Declared memory size:2  
hello  
f572d396fae9206628714fb2ce00f72e94f2258f -
```



# Harness

- Create a new file with LLVMFuzzerTestOneInput (fuzzer entry point)
- Copy & paste from existing code in src/main.c



```
#include <stdint.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

#include "vmir.h"

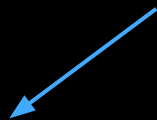
int LLVMFuzzerTestOneInput(const uint8_t *Data,
                           size_t Size) {
    uint8_t *buf = malloc(Size);
    memcpy(buf, Data, Size);

#define MB(x) ((x) * 1024 * 1024)

    void *mem = calloc(1, MB(64));

    ir_unit_t *iu = vmir_create(mem, MB(64), MB(1),
                                MB(1), NULL);
```

beware: input  
must stay  
constant!



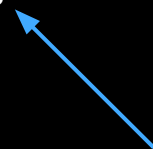
```
    if(vmir_load(iu, buf, Size)) {
        free(mem);
        free(buf);
        vmir_destroy(iu);
        return -1;
    }
    free(buf);

    int rval;
    vmir_run(iu, &rval, 0, NULL);

    vmir_destroy(iu);

    free(mem);
    return 0;
}
```

don't leak  
memory!



# Building

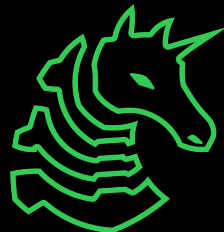
- Use clang (for libfuzzer)
- Set `-fsanitize=fuzzer` flag when compiling and linking

Makefile

CC=clang

```
fuzz: ${DEPS}
    $(CC) -O2 ${CFLAGS} -fsanitize=fuzzer -g $(filter-out src/main.c,${SRCS})
src/fuzz.c -lm -o $@
```

exclude src/main.c, which  
has its own main function



# Running

- Run binary from build process (./fuzz)
- ./fuzz corpus
  - pass in directory to corpus
- ./fuzz -fork=8 corpus
  - fuzz in parallel (faster)

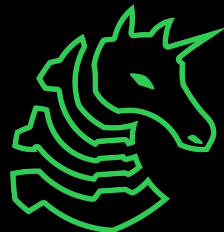


# Example output

ignore program's own  
output (pipe to /dev/null)

```
$ ./fuzz corpus > /dev/null
INFO: Running with entropic power schedule (0xFF, 100).
INFO: Seed: 892864804
INFO: Loaded 1 modules (7457 inline 8-bit counters): 7457 [0x559f727a35f0, 0x559f727a5311),
INFO: Loaded 1 PC tables (7457 PCs): 7457 [0x559f727a5318,0x559f727c2528),
INFO:      323 files found in corpus
INFO: -max_len is not provided; libFuzzer will not generate inputs larger than 4096 bytes
INFO: seed corpus: files: 323 min: 1b max: 37b total: 5245b rss: 27Mb
#324  INITED cov: 343 ft: 839 corp: 262/4139b exec/s: 0 rss: 37Mb
#509  REDUCE cov: 343 ft: 839 corp: 262/4134b lim: 42 exec/s: 0 rss: 37Mb L: 18/37 MS: 5
InsertByte-ShuffleBytes-ChangeBinInt-ShuffleBytes-EraseBytes-
#566  REDUCE cov: 343 ft: 839 corp: 262/4133b lim: 42 exec/s: 0 rss: 37Mb L: 27/37 MS: 2 InsertRepeatedBytes-EraseBytes-
#657  NEW     cov: 343 ft: 840 corp: 263/4153b lim: 42 exec/s: 0 rss: 45Mb L: 20/37 MS: 1 CMP- DE: "\377'"
#674  NEW     cov: 343 ft: 841 corp: 264/4172b lim: 42 exec/s: 0 rss: 45Mb L: 19/37 MS: 2 InsertRepeatedBytes-ShuffleBytes-
#691  NEW     cov: 344 ft: 842 corp: 265/4210b lim: 42 exec/s: 0 rss: 45Mb L: 38/38 MS: 2 PersAutoDict-CopyPart- DE: "\377'"
```

how much  
memory it's using





# Crash!

type of error

where the bug is

```
UndefinedBehaviorSanitizer:DEADLYSIGNAL
==245980==ERROR: UndefinedBehaviorSanitizer: SEGV on unknown address 0x000000000000 (pc 0x559f72737685 bp 0x7fff4ee86e10 sp 0x7fff4ee86c50 T245980)
==245980==The signal is caused by a READ memory access.
==245980==Hint: address points to the zero page.
#0 0x559f72737685 in export_function /home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/src/vmir_wasm_parser.c:400:22
#1 0x559f72737685 in wasm_parse_section_exports /home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/src/vmir_wasm_parser.c:417:7
#2 0x559f72737685 in wasm_parse_module /home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/src/vmir_wasm_parser.c:1430:7
#3 0x559f72737685 in vmir_load /home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/src/vmir.c:920:5
#4 0x559f72772d63 in LLVMFuzzerTestOneInput /home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/src/fuzz.c:21:6
#5 0x559f726de893 in fuzzer::Fuzzer::ExecuteCallback(unsigned char const*, unsigned long) (/home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/fuzz+0x53893)
#6 0x559f726ddf09 in fuzzer::Fuzzer::RunOne(unsigned char const*, unsigned long, bool, fuzzer::InputInfo*, bool, bool*)
(/home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/fuzz+0x52fe9)
#7 0x559f726df7d9 in fuzzer::Fuzzer::MutateAndTestOne() (/home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/fuzz+0x547d9)
#8 0x559f726e0355 in fuzzer::Fuzzer::Loop(std::vector<fuzzer::SizedFile, std::allocator<fuzzer::SizedFile> >&)
(/home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/fuzz+0x55355)
#9 0x559f726ce492 in fuzzer::FuzzerDriver(int*, char***, int (*)(unsigned char const*, unsigned long)) (/home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/fuzz+0x43492)
#10 0x559f726f8182 in main (/home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/fuzz+0x6d182)
#11 0x7f17c3234d8f in __libc_start_call_main csu/../sysdeps/nptl/libc_start_call_main.h:58:16
#12 0x7f17c3234e3f in __libc_start_main csu/../csu/libc-start.c:392:3
#13 0x559f726c2ed4 in _start (/home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/fuzz+0x37ed4)
```

UndefinedBehaviorSanitizer can not provide additional info.

SUMMARY: UndefinedBehaviorSanitizer: SEGV /home/richyliu/ctf/vmir/src/vmir\_wasm\_parser.c:400:22 in export\_function

==245980==ABORTING

MS: 1 ShuffleBytes-; base unit: 64cc66dd1bb340222ef736b19d3e15432a5c8dc0

0x0,0x61,0x73,0x6d,0xff,0x4,0x1,0xff,0x7,0x0,0xff,0x0,0x0,0x0,0x0,0x0,0xff,0xb,0x25,0x44,

\000asm\377\004\001\377\007\000\377\000\000\000\000\000\000\377\013%D

artifact\_prefix='./'; Test unit written to ./crash-3cabc02dfffa28898e72d42442be236d6b1b5858b

Base64: AGFzbfb8EAf8HAP8AAAAAAP8LJUQ=

input saved to file



# Now what?

- Try to reproduce bug
- Look at the code
- Find exploit
  - Not all bugs are exploitable
  - Patch smaller bugs and keep fuzzing
- Report responsibly and get \$\$\$
  - Not applicable here, since this project has been dead for 5+ years



# Practical tips

- Ideal fuzz target:
  - Medium size programs
  - Open source
  - No GUI
  - Low level interaction
  - Unsafe languages: C > C++ > Rust
- Optimizing fuzzing
  - Multiple threads
  - Minimize fuzzed section (reduce startup/teardown code)



# Fuzzing Team

- What
  - look for vulnerabilities
  - fuzz test software
- Why
  - report them for money for the club
  - gain valuable experience
  - get clout for hacking **real** software
- When
  - gathering interest this semester
  - plan on starting next semester
- How
  - tell an admin if you're interested



# Next Meetings

**2023-03-09 - Next Thursday**

- Social!
- Chill with us as spring break nears



```
sigpwny{main(rand())}
```



**SIGPwny**