



Harder, Better, Faster, Stronger

Semi-Auto Vulnerability Research



Professional Vulnerability Research

- Finding bugs is not the problem
 - ▶ Fuzzing works
 - Microsoft found over 1800 bugs in Office 2010
 - <http://blogs.technet.com/b/office2010/archive/2010/05/11/how-the-sdl-helped-improve-security-in-office-2010.aspx>
 - 280 bugs found in Mozilla JavaScript using JSFunFuzz
 - https://bugzilla.mozilla.org/show_bug.cgi?id=jsfunfuzz
- Tooling is not the problem
 - ▶ Distributed fuzzing
 - ▶ Crash analyzers
- Lack of intelligent workflow is the problem



Main Goal

Develop an effective workflow and toolset for fuzzing and triaging vulnerabilities in a production environment



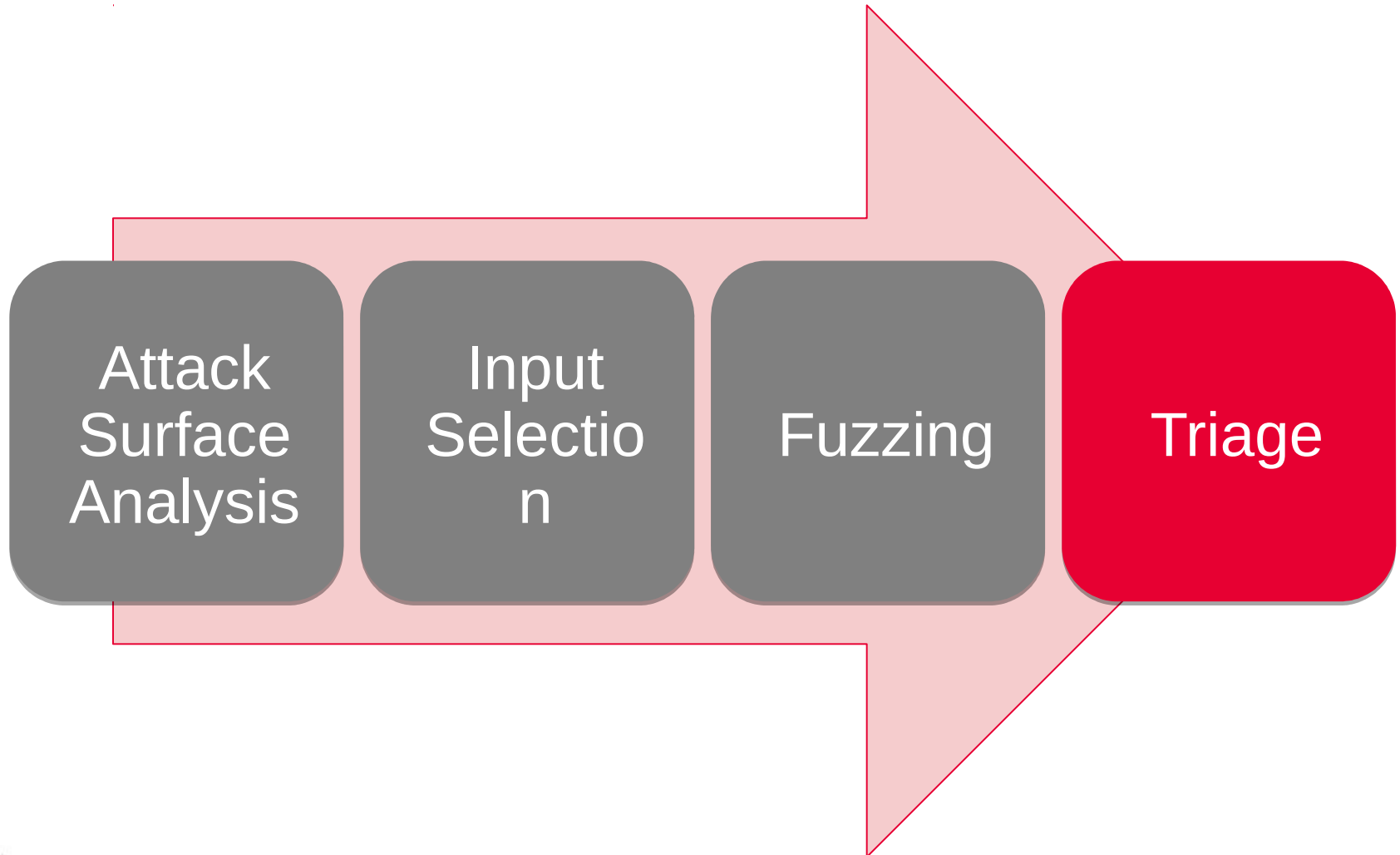
Ancillary Goals

- Primary
 - ▶ Determine cause and exploitability
 - ▶ Human time efficiency

- Secondary
 - ▶ CPU efficiency
 - ▶ Ease of use



Process Breakdown





Keys to Fuzzing Smartly

- Input selection
 - ▶ Most important factor in timely bug discovery
 - ▶ Time management

- Automation
 - ▶ SIMPLE Distributed fuzzing
 - ▶ Crash analysis
 - ▶ Bucketing
 - ▶ Confidence Rating



Keys to Smart Bug Triage

- Crash selection
 - ▶ Select for understanding
 - ▶ Crash database
 - ▶ Bug classes
- Program flow analysis
 - ▶ Code coverage
 - ▶ Input Mapping
 - ▶ Taint Analysis



Input Selection

- Attack Surface Analysis
 - ▶ Determine which areas of the code are reachable from external inputs
- Template code coverage
 - ▶ Determine what areas of code are exercised by different templates
- Rank templates based upon coverage of targeted code or overall attack surface



Fuzzing

- *The Miller Theorem*

C = code path coverage

T = Time spent Fuzzing

B = Bugs Discovered

$$\partial C \cdot \partial T = \partial B$$

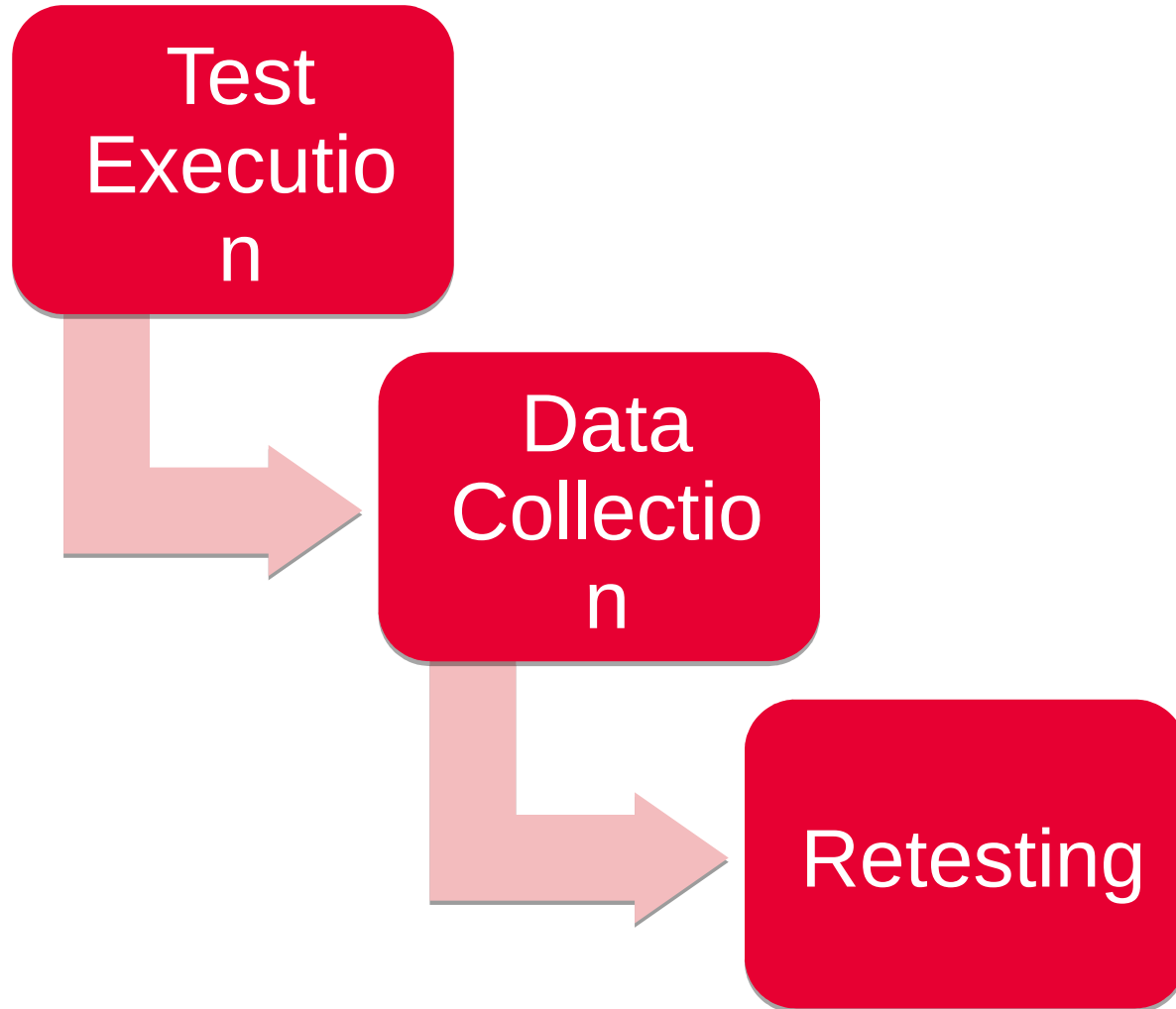


Fuzzing

- Obey the Miller Theorem
 - ▶ Create inputs to maximize coverage
 - ▶ Create the framework to maximize uptime
- Generation vs. Mutation
 - ▶ If you can, do both!
 - ▶ Mutation is cheaper, still works
- Do as little work as possible
 - ▶ Re-do as little work as possible



Fuzzing





Fuzzing – Test Execution

- Watch your tests well
 - ▶ Embedded custom debugger
 - ▶ Be able to gather needed data at crash time
 - ▶ Make use of debugging technologies
 - ▶ Be able to avoid invalid exceptions
- Distribute your tests
 - ▶ Centralized management
 - ▶ Make it easy to add nodes



Fuzzing – Data Storage

- Use a database!
 - ▶ Store lots of data over time
 - ▶ Easily searched
- What to store
 - ▶ Store what you need for crash selection
 - ▶ All crash information
 - ▶ Software versioning information
 - Binary diffs



Fuzzing - Retesting

- Maintaining a good database allows:
 - ▶ Automated retesting of modified code paths
 - ▶ Automated retesting of crashes in modified code paths
- Track bug life across software versions
 - ▶ A bug which lives through a nearby patch can have a long shelf-life
 - MS08-067 and MS06-040
 - ANI



Triage – Crash Selection

- Which crashes should receive priority?
- What properties make crashes more exploitable?
 - ▶ Knowledge! Familiarity!
- Crash database
 - ▶ Vulnerability properties
 - ▶ Searchable crash criteria



Triage – Crash Selection

- Exception Analysis
 - ▶ Determine level of access exception grants user
- Bug Class Identification
 - ▶ Difficulty of exploitability varies by bug class
 - ▶ Custom architecture problems
 - Custom memory allocators



Triage – Program Flow Analysis

- Abstract a program into flows
 - ▶ Code execution
 - ▶ Data dependency

- Code Coverage
 - ▶ Block hit trace for path to exception
 - ▶ Build a graph of program execution
 - ▶ Augment static program graphs



Triage – Program Flow Analysis

- Input Mapping
 - ▶ Trace APIs or System Calls that perform I/O
 - ▶ Mark data copied from external sources into memory

- Taint analysis
 - ▶ Follow input through the execution of the program
 - ▶ Determine where the bytes of the crash originated
 - ▶ Potential for exploit and signature generation

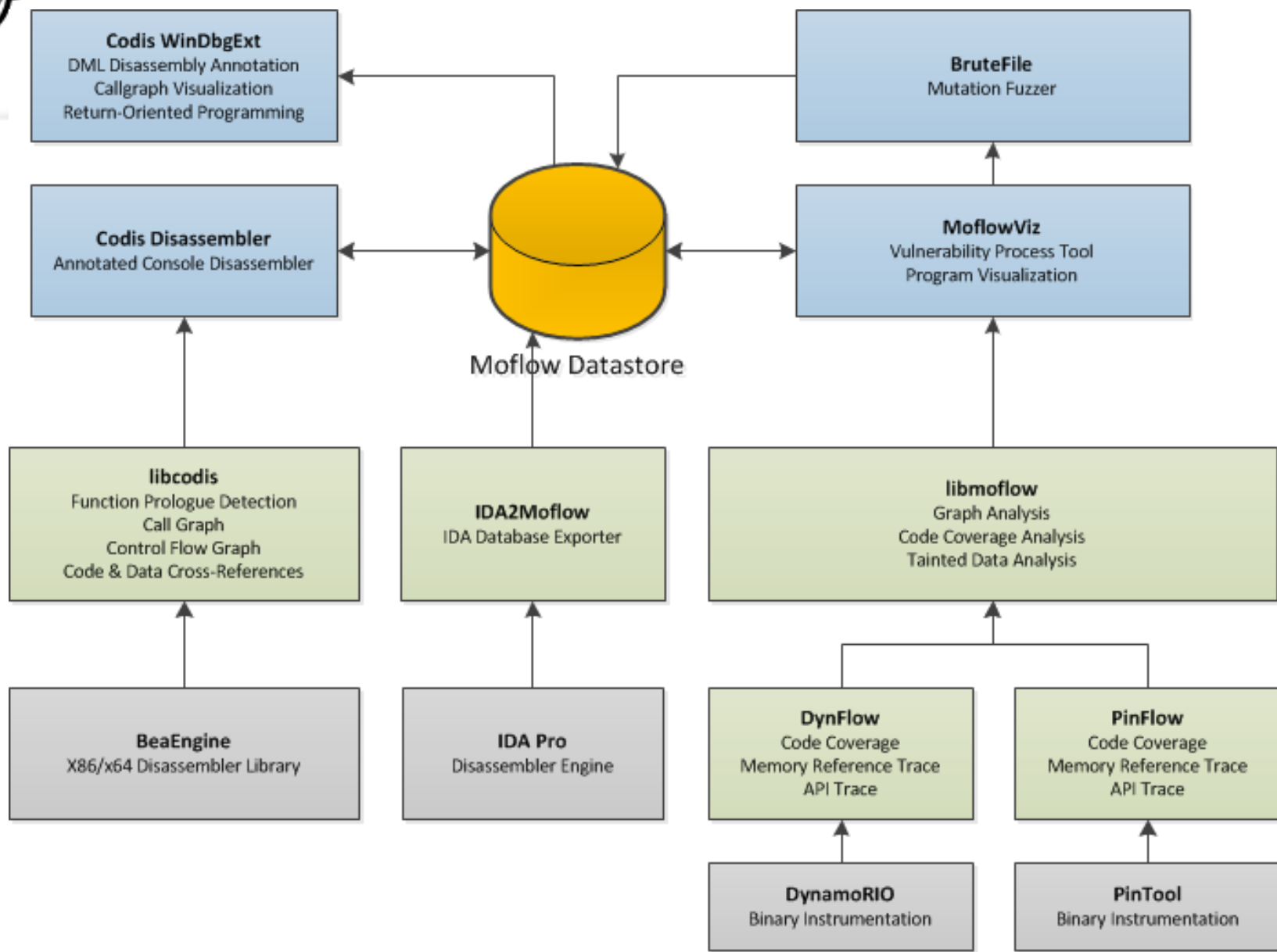


Triage – Program Flow Analysis

- Visualization
 - ▶ Provides a graphical representation of program structure and execution paths
 - ▶ Visualization allows overlaying multiple graphs and datasets using visual cues
 - ▶ Converting data to a visual problem allows rapid understanding of large datasets



Moflow





Moflow Visualizer v0.2

File Project

Project Tree

- ▲ MoflowProject
 - ▲ Modules
 - Modules\acord32.dll.xml
 - ▲ Block Traces
 - Traces\acord32.dll-pdf-0001-flowTrace.mf
 - Traces\acord32.dll-pdf-0002-flowTrace.mf
 - Traces\acord32.dll-pdf-0003-flowTrace.mf
 - Traces\acord32.dll-pdf-0004-flowTrace.mf
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 - ▲ Input Files
 - Inputs\pdf0001.pdf
 - Inputs\pdf0002.pdf
 - Inputs\pdf0003.pdf
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 - Inputs\pdf0011.pdf
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Status Window Trace Explorer Trace Ranking

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Fill



Moflow: Input Selection



Input Selection - Requirements

- Attack Surface Analysis
 - ▶ Call graph analysis
- Template code coverage
 - ▶ Dynamic tracing
- Template ranking
 - ▶ Coverage graph analysis



Attack Surface Analysis

- Obtain call graph
 - ▶ IDA2Moflow.idc
 - ▶ LibCodis
- Define APIs that are data entry points

	Input Source	I/O API
File	NtOpenFile() NtCreateFile() SYS_Open()	NtReadFile() NtWriteFile() SYS_Read() SYS_Write()
Network	connect() accept()	send() recv()



Attack Surface Analysis

- Determine reachability graph from each API

```
 $\delta$ -wavefront  $\leftarrow$  RootSet
```

```
closure  $\leftarrow$   $\langle \rangle$ 
```

```
While nonEmpty( $\delta$ -wavefront) Do
```

```
    wavefront  $\leftarrow$  oneStep( $\delta$ -wavefront)
```

```
     $\delta$ -wavefront  $\leftarrow$  wavefront - closure
```

```
    closure  $\leftarrow$  closure  $\cup$   $\delta$ -wavefront
```

```
End While
```

```
Return closure
```

δ -wavefront Algorithm – Qadah et al.



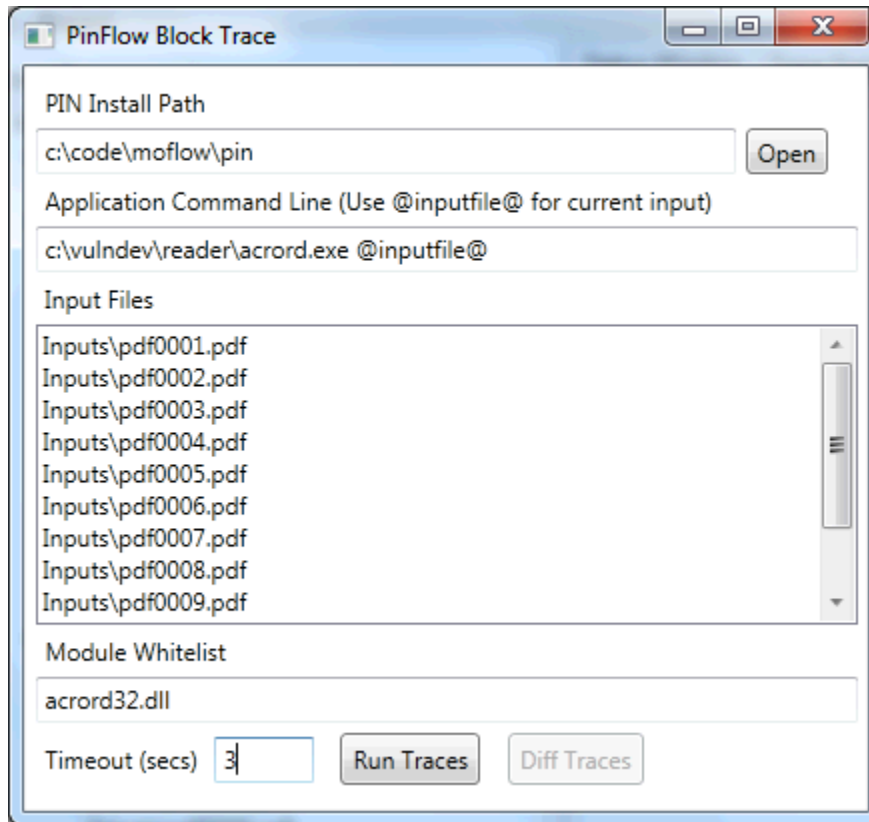
Template Code Coverage

- Dynamic Tracing
 - ▶ Instrument each basic block in a program
 - ▶ Efficiently record execution order of all blocks
- Implementation - PinFlow
 - ▶ Program tracer written as a PinTool
 - ▶ Hook on block cache creation
 - ▶ Inject instructions into cached code blocks
 - ▶ Callback function writes binary struct to ringbuffer
 - ▶ Ringbuffer flushed when full and on program exit



Template Code Coverage

- Moflow Visualizer PinFlow Trace Launcher





Template Code Coverage

- Advantage – Speed
 - ▶ PIN is much faster than traditional breakpoint or trap based solutions

7zip Benchmark Test	
Block Tracer	Time (sec)
Process Stalker	20.48
PinFlow	1.77

11.57 times faster!



Template Prioritization

- Select functions for attack surface
- Calculate reachability to create attack surface graph
- Rank stored traces by number of nodes hit in attack surface graph



Template Prioritization

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 - ▲ Input Files
 - Inputs\pdf0001.xml
 - Inputs\pdf0002.xml
 - Inputs\pdf0003.xml
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Attack Surface Graph

acord32.dll-pdf-attack-surface

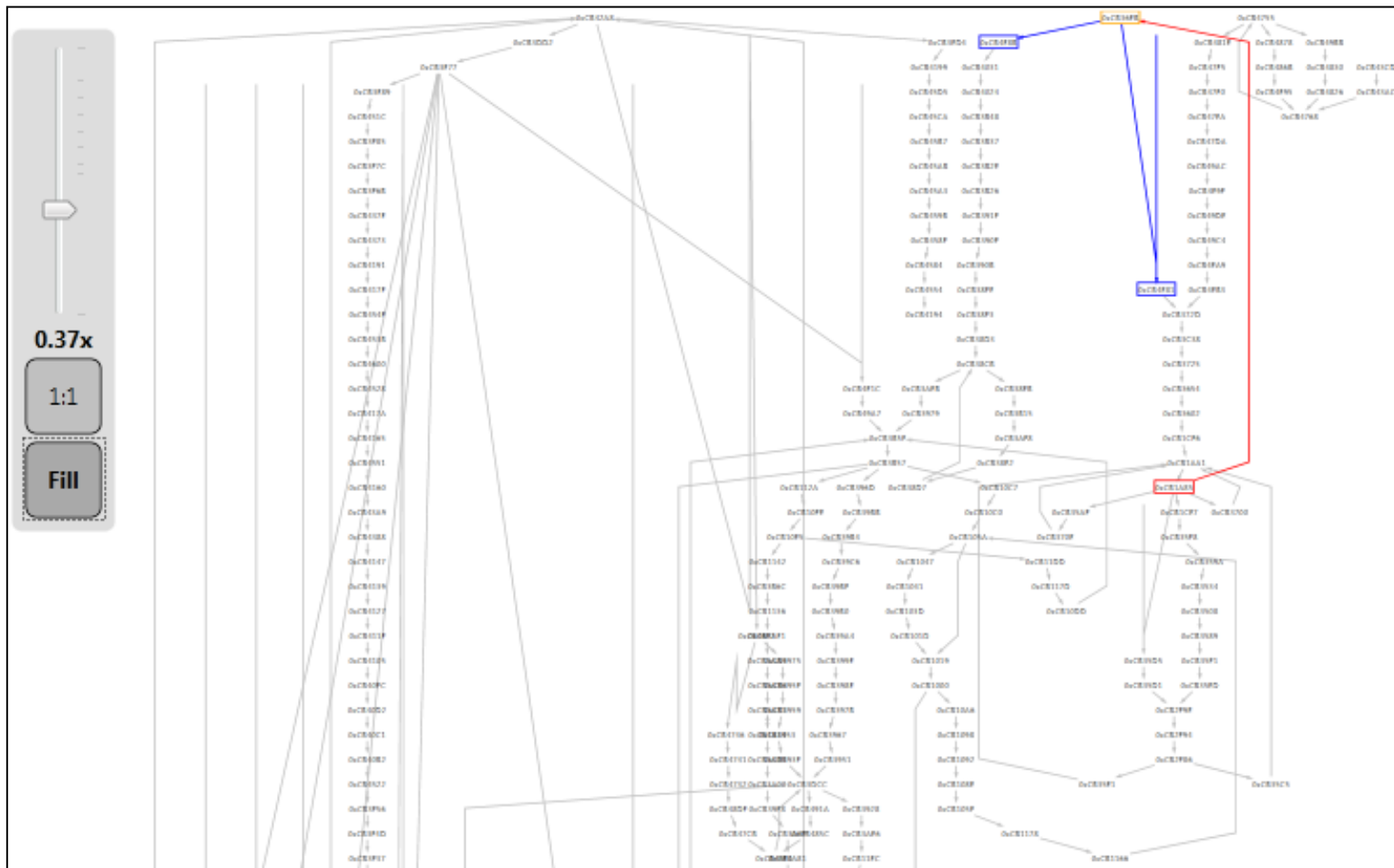
Traces

Name	Blocks	Edges	Targeted %
acord32.dll-pdf-0001	3141	3985	0
acord32.dll-pdf-0002	3036	3284	0
acord32.dll-pdf-0003	3141	3985	0
acord32.dll-pdf-0004	3570	4221	5
acord32.dll-pdf-0005	3141	3985	0
acord32.dll-pdf-0006	3141	3985	0
acord32.dll-pdf-0007	3915	4414	12
acord32.dll-pdf-0008	3798	4023	66
acord32.dll-pdf-0009	1867	2017	0
acord32.dll-pdf-0010	3772	3473	100
acord32.dll-pdf-0011	3772	3473	100
acord32.dll-pdf-0012	3772	3473	100



Graph Visualization

Moflow Block Trace Graph Visualization





Fuzzing Automation



Fuzzing Automation

- Distributed Fuzzing
- Fuzzer Management
- Data Gathering
- Crash Mining



Distributed Fuzzing

- Tests are small and atomic
 - ▶ Distribute simply
 - ▶ Make it easy to add systems
 - ▶ Easy to add tests
- Centralized Management
 - ▶ Aids in speedy addition of hardware



Fuzzer Management

- Customizable yet simple
 - ▶ Ignore first chance exceptions?
 - ▶ Add debugging technologies?
 - ▶ Max test case timeout
- Ease of use is key
 - ▶ Quick recovery for dead hosts
 - ▶ Quick addition of new hosts
 - ▶ Centralized management w/ database

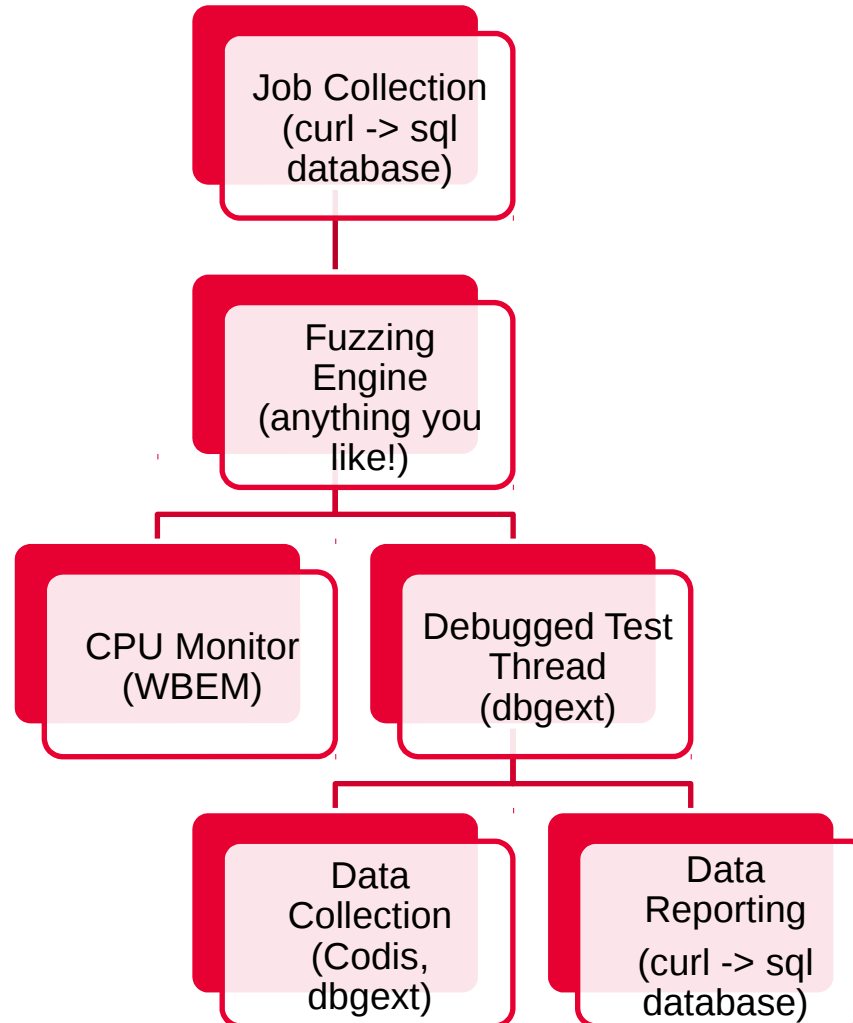


Fuzzer Management

- Jobs are held in the central DB
 - ▶ Job details passed to workers
 - ▶ Test cases are generated by workers as needed
 - ▶ Successful crashes are returned to the DB with details
- Test cases are wrapped with a custom debugger
- Data is returned to the central DB



Basic Worker





Data Gathering

- Store what you must
 - ▶ Bucketing
 - ▶ Categorization
 - ▶ Indicators of Exploitability
- Store what you have
 - ▶ Why redo work?
 - ▶ Can't know what you may need
- Store it smart
 - ▶ Database!



Crash Mining

- Post-crash analysis is performed on crashes deemed “relevant”
- Relevant crashes are those which are:
 - ▶ Familiar to your exploit developers
 - ▶ Relate to your attacking goals
- Relevant crashes are mined as needed from the database with queries.
 - ▶ What is relevant changes over time.



Jobs

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Name	Extension	State	Buckets	Offset	Try	
c:\windows\system32\xpsrchvw.exe	xps	Paused	0	17,200	6	Edit Delete Show
c:\program files\windows media player\wmplayer.exe	mp3	Paused	1	15,565	11	Edit Delete Show
c:\program files\windows media player\wmplayer.exe	mp4	Paused	5	11,594	6	Edit Delete Show
c:\program files\windows media player\wmplayer.exe	avi	Completed	1	1,927,167	12	Edit Delete Show

Buckets for c:\program files\windows media player\wmplayer.exe

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Name	Crashes	Notes	Bucket sample
ffffffffffffffff442404ffff0400	1564	0	Sample

1 Found

c:\program files\windows media player\wmplayer.exe	mp4	Paused	1	4,908	4	Edit Delete Show
c:\program files\windows media player\wmplayer.exe	mp4	Paused	0	100	1	Edit Delete Show
c:\program files\windows media player\wmplayer.exe	mp4	Paused	0	100	1	Edit Delete Show
c:\users\vrt\desktop\brutefile\testpattern.exe	mp4	Paused	5	100	3	Edit Delete Show
c:\users\vrt\desktop\brutefile\testtenk.exe	mp4	Paused	0	100	3	Edit Delete Show
c:\users\vrt\desktop\brutefile\testtenk.exe	mp4	Paused	3	100	2	Edit Delete Show

Buckets for c:\users\vrt\desktop\brutefile\testtenk.exe

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Name	Crashes	Notes	Bucket sample
ffff45ff00000000ff09ff55fffff02	47	0	Sample

Crashes for ffff45ff00000000ff09ff55fffff02

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Instruction	Offset	Try	Sample	
00401058 cc int 3		100 ADD 4 64	-	Show

Show Crash

Instruction **00401058 cc int 3**

Information

**eax=0000000a ebx=7ffd9000 ecx=004011d5 edx=777064f4 esi=00000000 edi=00000000
eip=00401058 esp=0012ff14 ebp=0012ff40 iopl=0
cs=001b ss=0023 ds=0023 es=0023 fs=003b gs=0000 efl=00000246**

00401058: int3

Offset

100

Try

REPLACE 1 H 7F

Sample

-

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ffffff5dff6a0c68ffff4000ff141100	1	0	Sample
ff45ffffffffffff6e33ff40ffff65ff	1	0	Sample

3 Found

10 Found



Moflow: Triage



Triage - Requirements

- Exploitability
 - ▶ Exception information
 - ▶ Deep Trace
- Triggering Condition
 - ▶ Fuzzer feedback
 - ▶ Taint analysis
- Root Cause
 - ▶ Graph analysis



Triage - Exploitability

- Exception Information
 - ▶ Brutefile outputs XML data containing exception information
- Deep Trace
 - ▶ Code Coverage
 - ▶ Attack surface APIs
 - ▶ Dataflow



Triage - Exploitability

- Dataflow
 - ▶ Once exception is found program is traced using PinFlow to gather instruction level instrumentation
 - ▶ Blocks are hooked during cache and disassembled to instrument instructions that access memory
 - ▶ Dataflow callback function records the address and value of each memory read or write
- Taint Analysis
 - ▶ Provides exception analysis functions with information about controlled bytes
 - ▶ Knowledge of controlled bytes allows more precise analysis



Triage – Triggering Condition

- Fuzzer Feedback
 - ▶ As part of exception analysis data Brutefile includes information about mutation
- Taint analysis
 - ▶ When triaging a bug from input with unknown modifications, perform taint analysis
 - ▶ Forward taint propagation from memory allocated to stored data from input file will reveal which bytes are referenced in the exception



Triage – Root Cause

- Graph Analysis
 - ▶ Overlay graphs of several deep traces to determine similarity
 - ▶ If execution trace leading up to the crash is identical but different bytes were manipulated, root cause should be determined
- Taint analysis
 - ▶ Follow tainted data in the exception back to the code location that first influenced the memory location with external data



Moflow: Tools



Console Disassembler

- Console interface for libcodis
- Static Analysis
 - ▶ Instruction Disassembly
 - ▶ Function Detection
 - ▶ Code and Data Cross-References
 - ▶ Function Control Flow Graph
 - ▶ Call Graph
- Import IDA2Moflow and .map files



Windbg Integration

- CodisExt
 - ▶ Windbg extension using the engextcpp API
 - ▶ Utilizes libcodis to extract disassembly graphs and cross-references
 - ▶ Utilizes Windbg DML functionality to allow a hyperlinked interface for cross references



Windbg Integration

```
0:000> !codis
[codis] Usage:
[codis] !codis load <moduleName>           Load a module into the
disassembler engine
[codis] !codis xrefs [functionAddr]       Show caller/callees
[codis] !codis callers <functionAddr>    Show function callers
[codis] !codis callees <functionAddr>    Show function callees
[codis] !codis names                      Show names in codis database
[codis] !codis dis <moduleName> [functionAddr] Dump disassembly of a module or
function
[codis] !codis dot                        Dump a GraphViz DOT file

0:000> !codis load test
[codis] Loading C:\VulnDev\test.exe

;-----
; File Header
;-----
; Binary format: 32-bit PE
; Byte Ordering: Little Endian
; Entry Point: 0000130b
; File Size: 112128 bytes
;-----
```



Windbg Integration

```
0:000> !codis xrefs
[codis] Function: 00401005 sub_00401005
[codis] xrefs to: 00401149
[codis] xrefs from:
[codis] Function: 0040100a sub_0040100a
[codis] xrefs to: 0040100f
[codis] xrefs from:

--- SNIP ---

[codis] Function: 00411850 sub_00411850
[codis] xrefs to: 00411763
[codis] xrefs from:
[codis] Function: 00411a58
wrapper_RtlUnwind
[codis] xrefs to: 0040e530 00407732
[codis] xrefs from:
[codis] Function: 44cbe836 sub_44cbe836
[codis] xrefs to: 0040e53
```

```
0:000> !codis dot
digraph G {
"00401005"
"0040100a"
"0040100f"
"004010c0"
"0040113a"

--- SNIP ---

"00401076" -> "0040100a"
"00401058" -> "0040113a"
"0040104b" -> "004010c0"
"0040100f" -> "00401070"
"0040100a" -> "00401030"
}
```



Windbg Integration

```
0:000> !codis dis test 00402eea
00402eea |
..... | ;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;
..... | ;;; S U B R O U T I N E ;;;
..... | ;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;
..... | sub_00402eea: ; xrefs: 0x00402f68 0x00402f31
0x004015f7 |
..... | 6a 08 | push byte 0x8 ;
00402eec | 68 60 a2 41 00 | push dword 0x41a260 ;
00402ef1 | e8 32 fd ff ff | call <sub_00402c28> ;
00402ef6 | e8 2e f9 ff ff | call <sub_00402829> ;
00402efb | 8b 40 78 | mov [eax+0x78], eax ;
00402efe | 85 c0 | test eax, eax ;
00402f00 | 74 16 | jz 0x402f18 ;
00402f02 | 83 65 fc 00 | and dword 0x0, [ebp-0x4] ;
00402f06 | ff d0 | call eax ;
00402f08 | eb 07 | jmp 0x402f11 ;
00402f0a | 33 c0 | xor eax, eax ;
00402f0c | 40 | inc eax ;
00402f0d | c3 | ret ;
00402f0e | 8b 65 e8 | mov [ebp-0x18], esp ;
00402f11 |
..... | loc_00402f11: ; xrefs:
0x00402f08 |
..... | c7 45 fc fe ff ff ff | mov dword 0xffffffff, [ebp-0x4] ;
00402f18 |
..... | loc_00402f18: ; xrefs:
0x00402f00 |
..... | e8 46 48 00 00 | call <sub_00407763> ;
```



IDA Integration

- IDA2Moflow.idc
 - ▶ Dumps static program call graph
 - Module
 - Functions
 - Calls
 - ▶ Works on all versions of IDA
- Useful to overcome current limitations in static analysis provided by libcodis



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Extra Slides



Template Code Coverage

- Dynamic Tracing
- Implementation
 - ▶ Program tracer written as a PinTool
 - ▶ Designed for Win32 platform
 - ▶ Function and Block hooking for Code Coverage
 - ▶ System call hooking for I/O*
 - ▶ Memory reference trace*
 - ▶ Logging to standardized format



Static Analysis

- Instruction Disassembly
- Function Detection
- Code and Data Cross-References
- Function Control Flow Graph
- Module / Program Call Graph



Instruction Decoding

- **BeaEngine 4**
 - ▶ Multi-Architecture
 - x86 / x64
 - ▶ High performance
 - [stats]
 - ▶ Actively developed
 - [stats]



Function Detection

- Prologue Detection
 - ▶ [Image of prologues]
- Static call targets
 - ▶ [show dynamic call vs static call]



Code and Data Cross-References

- Disassembly of functions results in extraction of CALLs, JMPs, and static data references
- [image goes here]



Function Control Flow Graph

- Break a function into basic blocks
 - ▶ JMP
 - ▶ CALL
 - ▶ RET



Module / Program Graph

- Enumerate function cross references
- Support loading multiple modules for inter-modular call graph



Dynamic Analysis

- LibMoflow
 - ▶ High level program analysis library in C#
 - ▶ Code Coverage Analysis
 - ▶ Trace Differencing
 - ▶ Graph Analysis
 - ▶ Tainted Data Analysis



Code Coverage Analysis

- Augment graph from static analysis with code coverage
- Trace Differencing
- CrashViz
 - ▶ Program Graph
 - ▶ Trace Overlays



Trace Differencing

- Describe algorithm here



Graph Analysis

- Loop Detection
 - ▶ Dominator Trees
 - ▶ etc



File Visualization

- Hex and Structured Tree Views
- Visualize Fuzzer File Mutations and other session metadata
- Structure Decoding
 - ▶ Office Formats (GUT)
 - ▶ PDF (Only's lib?)
 - ▶ FLASH (Patrick/Shong's lib)