Minefield: A Software-only Protection for SGX Enclaves against DVFS Attacks

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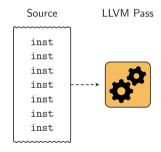
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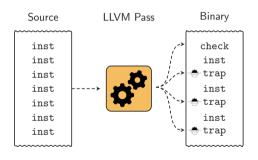
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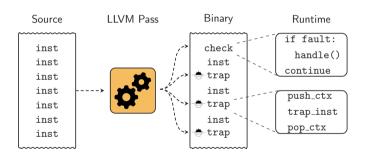
SW: SGX ⊕ UV

• HW: Fully Integrated Voltage Regulators (FIVRs)

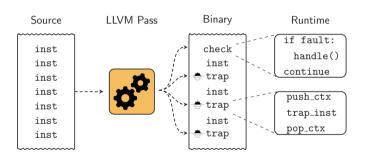




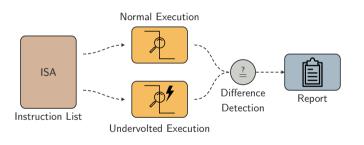
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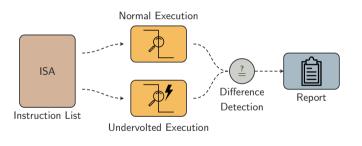


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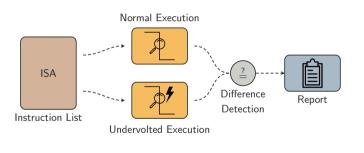


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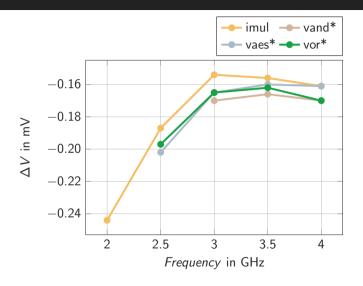
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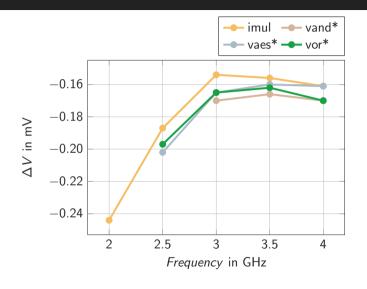
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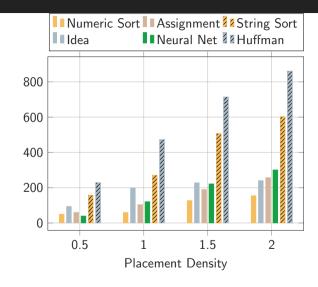
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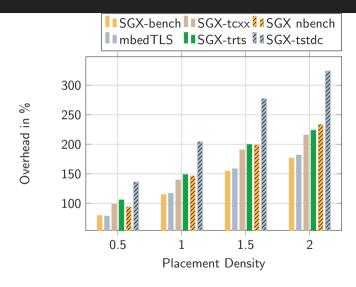
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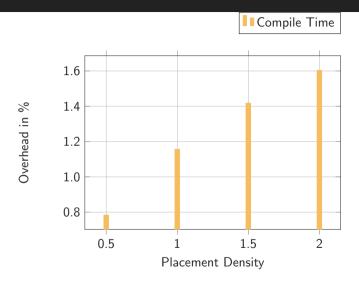


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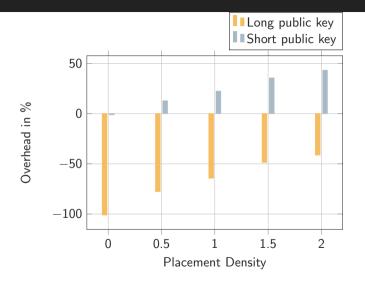
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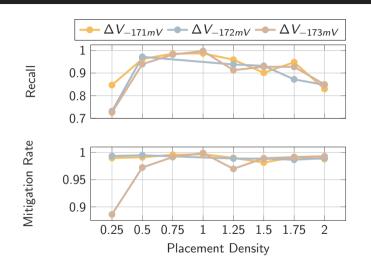


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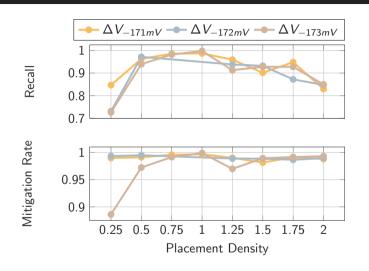
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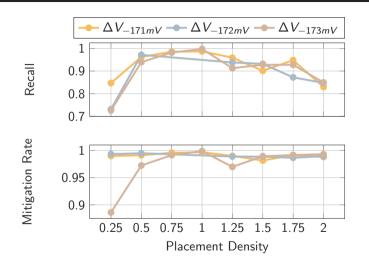
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