



# 基于接口规则的 设备驱动可靠性研究



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# Agenda

- 一. 读博动机(3分钟)
- 二. 研究内容介绍(50分钟)
  - 一. Idea起源
  - 二. 研究框架
  - 三. PF-Miner
- 三. 研究感悟(2分钟)
- 四. 实验演示(15分钟)
- 五. Q&A





# 一、读博动机

- ■天时、地利、人和
  - + 动力、平台、自信、努力
    - 树立远大的学术理想
    - 好的导师平台(课题、积累、政策、出国交流)
    - 时间+耐心、有计划推进
    - 百倍的努力
      - 文献多读、泛读精读相结合
      - 实验多试、多看源码、多看日志
      - 养成一些良好的习惯: 笔记、思考、乐观、坚持、交流
  - + 依据实力投稿,早日毕业
    - 为毕业而发文章





# 一、读博动机

## ■天时、地利、人和

+ 动力:按期毕业、出国开会、不做研究者

+ 平台: 时间自由、导师放养

◆ 自信:发差点的文章?

+ 努力:记录文献、标记文献、计划推进

## ■研究成果

- ♥ 计算机学报 2篇
- → 国际会议 3篇(欧洲、韩国、美国)
- + 二作、三作若干篇





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# 研究简介-Idea起源

- ■源自工程开发
  - ⊕ 帧寄存器末位对齐、DMA地址低位对齐

```
static void configure_hc(struct uhci_hcd *uhci)
177.
        /* Store the frame list base address */
184.
185.
        outl(uhci->frame_dma_handle, uhci->io_addr
       + USBFLBASEADD);
201.
```





# 二、研究简介-Idea起源

## ■源自工程开发

⊕ 帧寄存器末位对齐、DMA地址低位对齐

表项	内容	备注
名称	FLBASEADD	帧基址寄存器
地址	基地址+(08-0B)H	
属性	可读可写	
宽度	32比特	11:0被保留

怎么办?

开发者: 修复bug继续开发?

程序控:如何帮你定位?研究者:自动检查规则?





# 二、研究简介-Idea起源

- ■源自工程开发
  - ⊕ 帧寄存器末位对齐、DMA地址低位对齐
    - 有益之处: 快速定位升级引起的配置问题
    - 抽象规则: 简单定义对齐的模板·找类似问题
    - ◆ 插装点: 待测目标
    - 自动修复?
      - 加assert断言
      - 自动记录异常日志?
    - 整体拔高

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- 理论分析?算法建模?完整的实验测评(理论分析、 动态性能、对比版本之间的评测、不同方法对比)?
- ♥ 《计算机学报》 2014第10期





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# 二、研究简介-研究框架

- ■研究的关联与深化
  - + 当执行出错时,驱动模块应终止运行
    - ◆ 调用接口函数释放资源(内存·锁·操作回滚)
    - 问题:接口函数怎么来?

新场景

调研:有没有类似的?有没有问题?自己找?

• 去哪找:找别人没找过的场景

新方法

● 场景等价于异常路径 (PF-Miner)、驱动结构的跨函数之间 (Pair-Miner)、二进制上(bMiner)

- 怎么找:用实用的+理论型方法找
  - DM的方法、NLP的方法、ML的方法
- 找对没:用合适的方法进行评估测试
  - 对比分析、找人验证、手动验证等
- 拔高:理论建模?算法?实验?





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    - ◆ 驱动配置规则(AiLsDc)
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    - PairMiner
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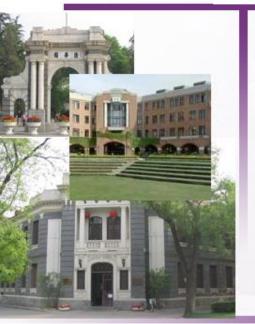
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# PF-Miner: A new paired functions mining method for Android kernel in error paths



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- About Android kernel
- Device drivers
- Implicit rules
- Rules extraction and violation detection





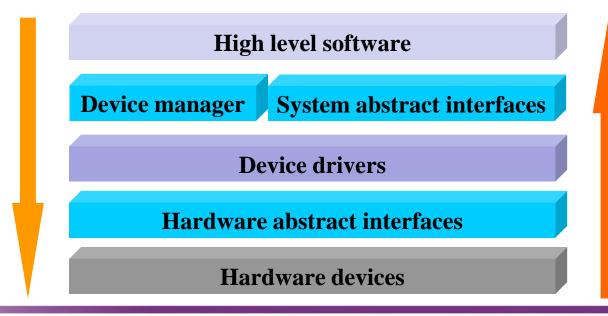
#### Android kernel

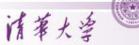
- Separate from Linux kernel 2.6.39, and the current latest version is 3.10.10
- Under Android framework
- Special drivers for Android, and variety of Linux drivers are imported directly





- About device driver
  - Run in kernel mode with kernel extension modules
  - Uses kernel extension interfaces to communicate with kernels



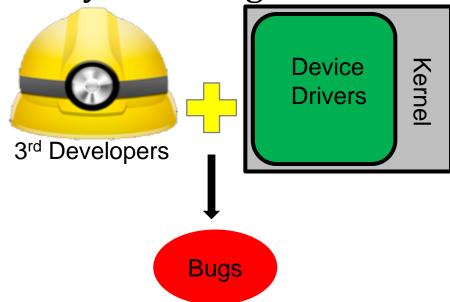




- About device driver
  - Developed by different company and org
  - Unaware or ignore the rules for interfaces
  - Lack documents for interfaces

Uses interfaces incorrectly and brings lots of

bugs into drivers







#### What rules?

 Drivers uses kernel extension function to manage resources, as fig.

```
static int au ide probe(struct platform device *dev)
                                                            Function Name
531
                                                            Normal execution
           if (!request mem region(...) {
532
               ret = -EBUSY;
                                                            Error handling
533
               goto out;
                                                            Normal execution
537
           ahwif->regbase = (u32)ioremap(...);
           if (ahwif->regbase = 0) {
538
                                                            Error handling
539
               ret = -ENOMEM;
                                                            Error handling
540
                goto out;
                                                            Error handling
541
566
      out:
567
                                                            Error handling
           return ret:
568
```





#### What rules?

- Drivers uses kernel extension function to manage resources, as fig.
- Many of them should be used in pairs, such as request\_mem\_region / release\_mem\_region, which are named as paired functions
- In error handling paths, the function should release the acquired resources





## Why rules?

- Developers only care the implementation of normal execution functions, and many bugs hide in error handling paths
- Ignoring paired functions will cause many complicate problems, such as memory leaks
- Influence the reliability of drivers. Bugs in drivers is 3-7 times than kernel, and 85% crashes are related to drivers.





### Target for PF-Miner

- Automatically extract paired function from the source code of drivers
- Detect violations with extracted paired functions which are used in error handling paths
- Reports potential bugs





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- Reliability for drivers
- Rules mining
  - Generic rules mining
  - Specific rules mining
- Structure inferring





- Reliability for drivers
  - Dynamic recovery
    - Nooks
    - Shadow Driver
    - FGFT
  - Type checking
    - KINT etc.
  - Symbolic execution
    - S2E and SymDrive
- Paired functions is unknown for these methods before mining.





- Rules mining
  - **+** ECC
  - PR-Miner:
  - CAR-Miner:
  - WYSIWIB
  - WN-Miner





## Rules mining

#### **+** ECC

 <a> must be paired with <b>, ECC also checks the source code, and extracts rules from normal execution paths, such as spin\_unlock to spin\_lock

#### PR-Miner

- It uses data mining technique to extract implicit rules from large software code
- Extract longest execution path pattern with several functions and variables





## Rules mining

#### CAR-Miner

• It mines exception-handling rules in the form of sequence association rules by studying the open source projects on the web, and then uses these rules to detect violations.

#### WN-Miner

- A specification mining in exception handling paths to learn temporal safety rules
- It helps programmers to locate mistakes in exception circumstances or among uncommon code paths





- Specific rules mining
  - Icomment
  - aComment





## Specific rules mining

- # Icomment
  - Learn from source code and comments in large software codes
  - Detect inconsistency between source code notation and program comments





- Specific rules mining
  - aComment: Detect bugs for interrupts related

```
drivers/ssb/pcmcia.c:
static void ssb_pcmcia_write16(...) {...
    spin_lock_irqsave(...);
    err = select_core_and_segment(...);
    ...
}
@IRQ (X, D)
@IRQ (E, E)
```

```
linux//arch/x86/mm/pageattr.c:
static void I* @IRQ (E, E) */ cpa_flush_array(...)
{ ... BUG_ON(irqs_disabled()); ... }
```





- Specific rules mining
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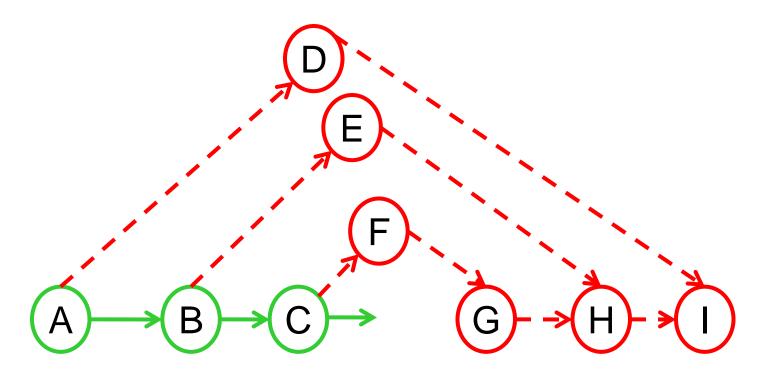
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- Structure inferring
  - + Hector[DSN 13]

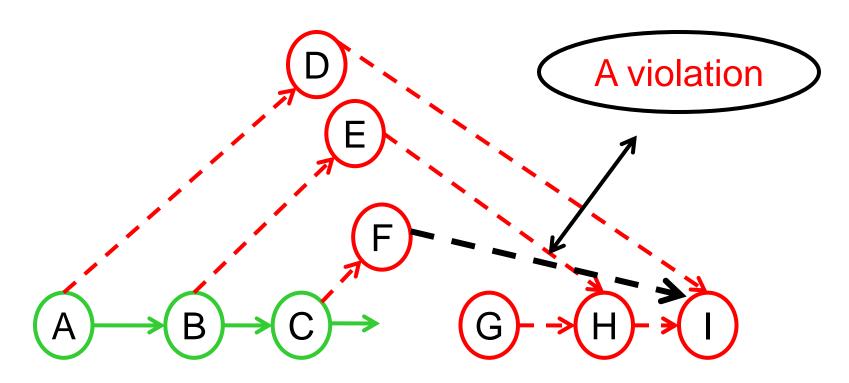






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#### II. Related works

#### Different to PF-Miner

- Focus on kernel source code written by C program code
- Paired functions between error handling paths and normal execution paths
- Detects violations with extracted paired functions rather than programmers' notations or definitions





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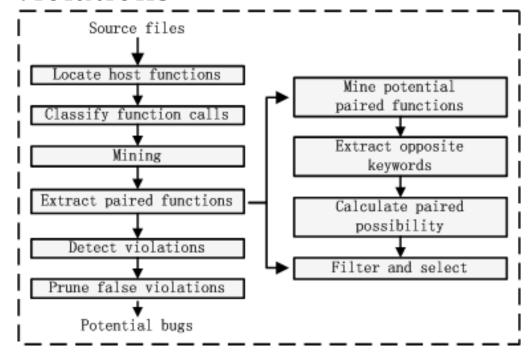


- Overview of PF-Miner
- Mining method in PF-Miner
- How to evaluate paired functions
- Extract paired functions
- Detect violations





- Overview of PF-Miner
  - Take source code as input
  - Mining and extract paired functions
  - Detect violations







- Mining method in PF-Miner
  - + Host functions(H): they call paired functions
  - Called-function sets(C): called functions in H
  - Normal execution(N, n<sub>i</sub> for i<sup>th</sup> H)
  - Exception handling(E, E<sub>i</sub> for i<sup>th</sup> H)
  - Classification function(F<sub>c</sub>):label function in error handling paths or normal paths

$$C_i \times F_c -> \{n_i, e_i\}^*$$





#### Mining method in PF-Miner

 Decision function(F<sub>d</sub>):get potential paired functions

$$(n_i x (n_e)^T) x F_d -> [D_i]$$
  
 $D_i(a, b) > T_d => P_p <- P_p U \{(a, b)\}$ 

Selection function(F<sub>s</sub>):find out important paired functions with statistical methods

$$D_i(a, b) \times F_s > 0 \implies P_f < P_f \cup \{(a, b)\}$$





#### Extract paired functions

- Decision function
  - Two functions operate on same resources
  - Two functions execute opposite operations
  - Extract potential paired functions
- Structure inferring
  - Assist the decision function to mine potential paired functions
- Selection function
  - Reduce false positive
  - Associate statistical information
  - Filter from potential paired functions





#### Extract paired functions

- Decision function
  - Functions with meaningful names and parameters
  - paired or single opposite keywords in their function names
  - pci\_iomap / pci\_iounmap with single opposite keyword "un"
  - pci\_enable\_device / pci\_disable\_device with paired opposite keyword
  - Except opposite keywords, rest substring is generally used to denote same resources





- Extract paired functions
  - Structure inferring
    - Every error has its error handling path, and paired functions between them

#### Theory I:

$$\{\{a\}, \{b\}\}\} \in \{n_i, e_i\}^*, \Rightarrow P_p \leftarrow P_p \cup \{(a, b)\}$$

#### Theory II:

$$\exists \{a^* \cup \{c\}, b^* \cup \{d\}\} \in \{n_i, e_i\}^*, \\ if \{a^*, b^*\} \in \{n_i, e_i\}^*, \Rightarrow P_p \leftarrow P_p \cup \{(c, d)\}$$

#### lemmas II-1:

$$\exists \{a^* \cup \{c^*\}, b^* \cup \{d^*\}\} \in \{n_i, e_i\}^*, \\ \{a^*, b^*\} \in \{n_i, e_i\}^* \Rightarrow \{n_i, e_i\}^* \leftarrow \{n_i, e_i\}^* \cup \{c^*, d^*\}$$





- Extract paired functions
  - Structure inferring
  - An example

```
static int vortex_init_one(.....)
                                                           Function name
1002
           rc = pci enable device(pdev);
                                                           Normal execution
1010
1011
           if (rc < 0)
                                                           Error handling
                                                           Error handling
1012
                goto out;
                                                           Normal execution
           rc = pci_request_regions(pdev, DRV_NAME);
1014
1015
           if (rc < 0) {
                                                           Error handling
1016
                pci disable device(pdev);
                                                           Error handling
                                                           Error handling
1017
                goto out;
1018
                                                           Error handling
           ioaddr = pci_iomap(pdev, pci_bar, 0);
                                                           Normal execution
1031
           if (!ioaddr) {
                                                           Error handling
1034
1035
                pci release regions(pdev);
                                                           Error handling
1036
                pci disable device(pdev);
                                                           Error handling
1037
                rc = -ENOMEM:
                                                           Error handling
1038
                                                           Error handling
                goto out;
1039
```





#### Detect violations

- In an error handling path, the host function calls function a in its normal execution paths, while it does not call it paired function Pf(a) in later error handling paths
- Pruning false positives
  - Search into the private interfaces in the host functions
  - Check paired function both in normal execution paths and error handling paths





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- Computational complexity and time consumption
- Comparison between different versions
  - Capacity ability verification
- Detection results in version 3.10.10
  - Bug reports
- Detection on other large software
  - Extension ability to PF-Miner
- Discussion





- Computational complexity and time consumption
  - ABUS CM6331-C12C, Intel core i3-3220, 3.30
     GHz, 4GB memory, 7200rpm SATA drive
  - N host functions, and calls M functions in average, about Thera((n\*m)²)
  - Cost about 150 seconds, located 8007 host functions for 4225 drivers





- Comparison between different versions
  - Ran 2.6.39 with PF-Miner, mine rules and detect violations
  - Ran 3.10.10 with same operations
  - Compare results between the two versions
    - 81 bugs are fixed when reported in 2.6.39
    - The commit messages in cgit are shown as
      - disable pci device if there's an error after enabling it (fig.)
      - Release GPIO lines and IRQ on error in p54spi probe
      - Disable runtime PM in error paths from probe





#### Comparison between different versions

```
static int cafe pci probe (.....)
                                                               static int cafe pci probe (.....)
                                                         456
233
            cam = kzalloc(...);
                                                        467
                                                                    cam = kzalloc(...);
            if (cam = NULL)
                                                                    if (cam == NULL)
                                                        468
                 goto out;
                                                         469
                                                                         goto out;
2104
            ret = pci enable device(pdev);
                                                        493
                                                                    ret = pci enable device(pdev);
2105
            if (ret)
                                                        494
                                                                    if (ret)
2106
                                                        495
                                                                         goto out free;
                 goto out unreg;
            cam->regs = pci_iomap(pdev, 0, 0);
                                                                    mcam->regs = pci_iomap(pdev, 0, 0);
2043
                                                         499
2044
            if (! cam->regs) {
                                                         500
                                                                    if (!mcam->regs) {
2046
                                                        502
                                                                         goto out disable;
                 goto out unreg;
2047
                                                        503
                                                        535
                                                               out disable:
2116
       out free:
2117
            v412 device unregister(&cam->v412 dev);
                                                        536
                                                                    pci disable device(pdev):
2118
                                                        537
       out unreg:
                                                               out free:
2119
            kfree(cam);
                                                        538
                                                                    kfree(cam);
2120
                                                        539
                                                               out:
2121
                                                         540
            return ret:
                                                                    return ret;
2122
                                                        541
          (a) Bug occurred in kernel 2.6.39
                                                                    (b) Bug fixed in kernel 3.10.0
```





- Detection results in version 3.10.10
  - Checks 4225 drivers
  - Extract 546 paired functions
  - Detect 983 violations
  - 15 bugs are confirmed by developers among the top 51 violations

Function names a	paired function b	$F_t(a,b)$	sum of violations
pci_enable_device	pci_disable_device	1056	63 violations
kzalloc	kfree	2556	430 violations
request_mem_region	release_mem_region	740	73 violations
pci_request_regions	pci_release_regions	562	1 violation





#### Detection results in version 3.10.10

Two confirmed examples

1317	static int pm3fb_probe ()	64	static int stmmac_pci_probe ()
	{		{
	ι		<u>\</u>
1325	err = pci_enable_device(dev);	89	$addr = pci_{iomap}(pdev, i, 0);$
1351	if (!request_mem_region()) {	103	if (!priv) {
1354	goto err exit neither;	106	goto err out;
1355	}	107	}
1463	err_exit_neither:	117	err_out:
1464	framebuffer_release(info);	118	pci_clear_master(pdev);
1465	return retval;		
1466	}	125	}
	(a) Bug in drivers/video/pm3fb.c	(b) Bu	g in drivers/net/ethernet/stmicro/stmmac/stmmac_pci.c





- Detection results in version 3.10.10
  - Automatically extract email address and their names from the source code
  - Merge emails when the developer has more than one related bugs to confirm
  - Send email with python script automatically
- Some developers say "well done, good job", most email sends failed





- Detection on other large software
  - Modified less than 20 rows code in PF-Miner
  - Http server 2.4.7
    - Extracts 196 paired functions
    - apr\_pool\_create / apr\_pool\_destroy
    - Detect 11 violations
  - postgre SQL 9.3.2
    - Extracts 266 paired functions
    - Detects 12 violations





#### Discussion

- False positives
  - Call graph is too complex for static methods
  - Kernel interface functions are called indirectly
  - Called functions are related to sensitive variables
  - Some rules can not satisfy the paired rules completely, input\_unregister\_device contains input\_free\_device in fact.
- Future works
  - Check type and parameters further
  - Tracing sensitive variables
  - Checking the whole call graph





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#### V. Conclusion

- PF-Miner uses statistical method to efficiently and automatically extract paired functions between normal execution paths and error handling paths
- 81 bugs reported by PF-Miner in 2.6.39 have been fixed before the latest version 3.10.10
- PF-Miner only costs 150 seconds to extract rules and detect violations
- 983 violations are detected
- 15 bugs have been confirmed by developers so far among top 51 violations
- PF-Miner also can be used to detect other software with formal interfaces





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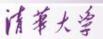
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