



The Human Component in Automated Bug Finding

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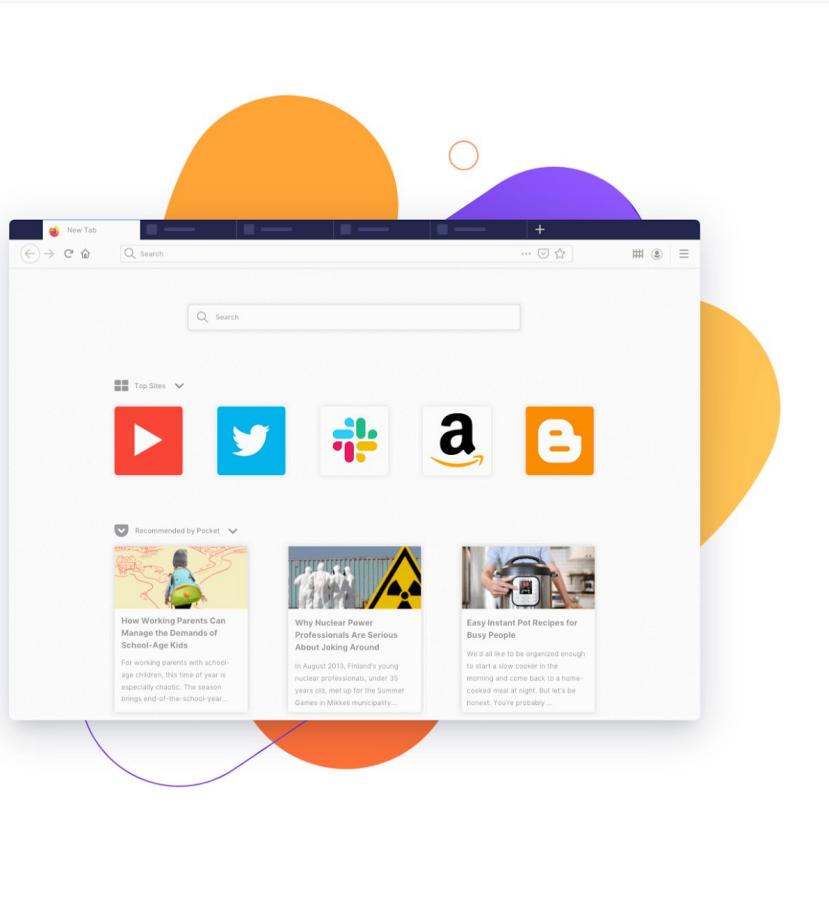
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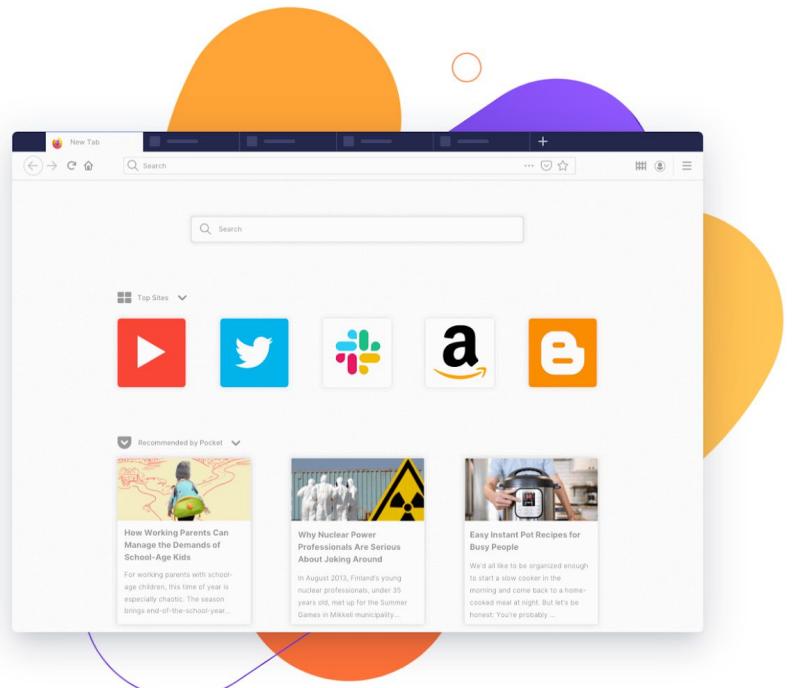
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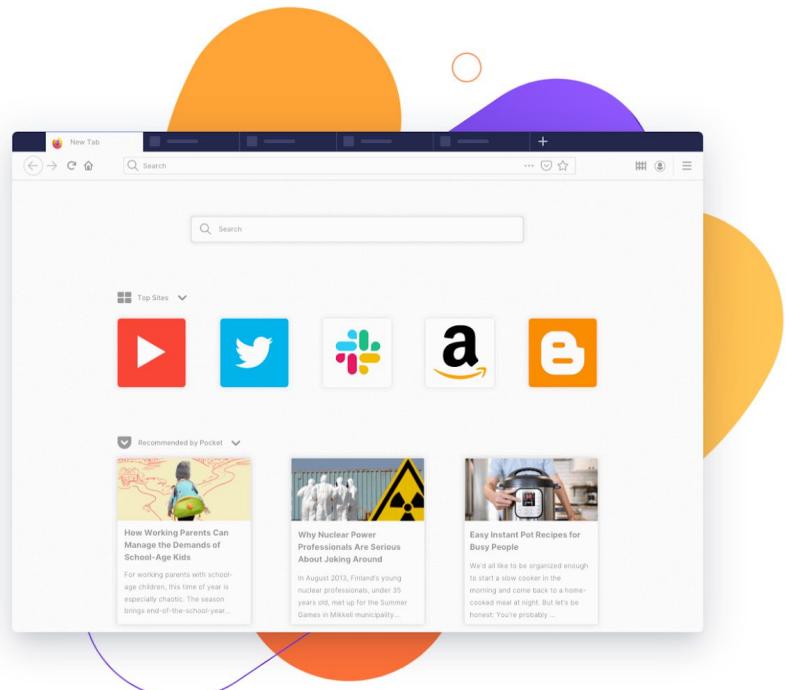
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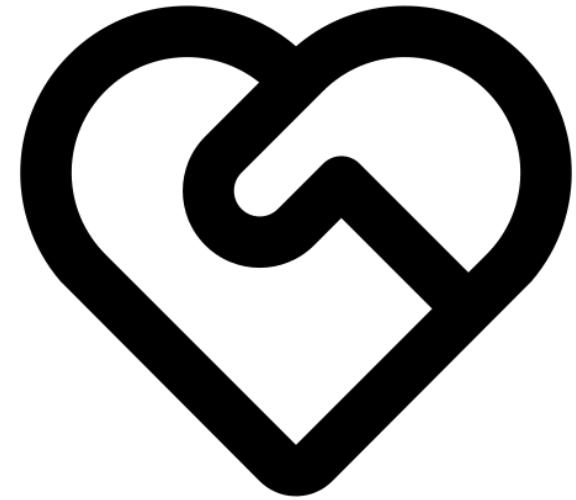
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“Lone warrior”
approach not sustainable



Mutual Trust Relationship

The Do's and Don'ts

Ninja Style



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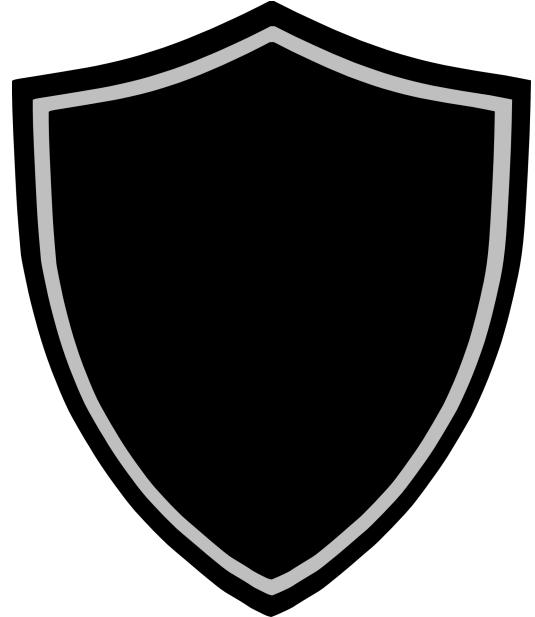
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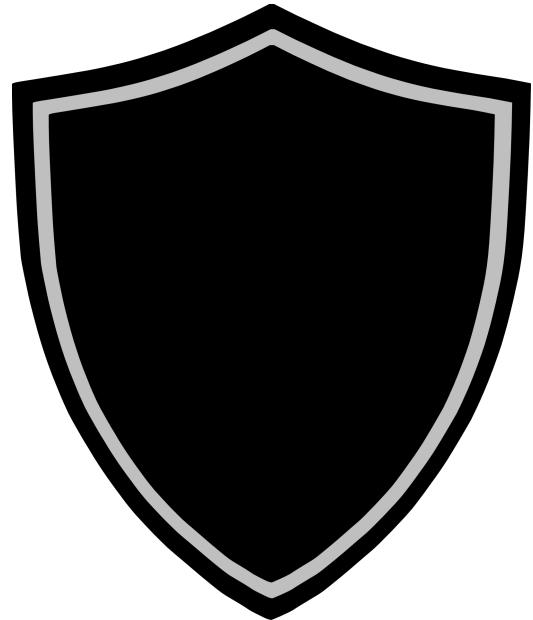
*"They'll never know
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Tehehe!!1oneeleven"*





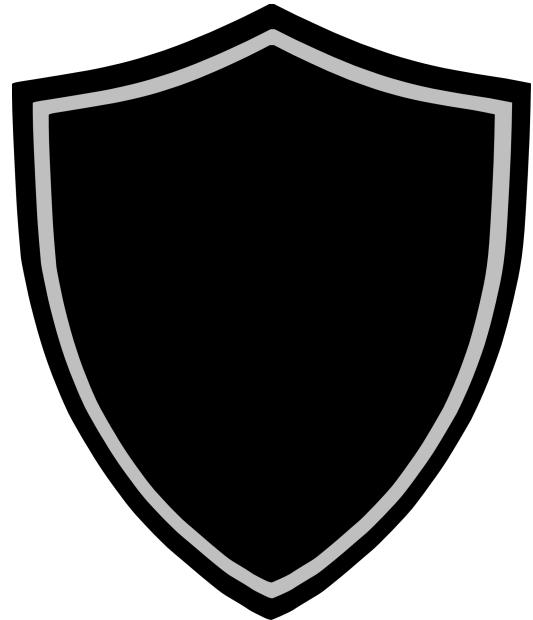
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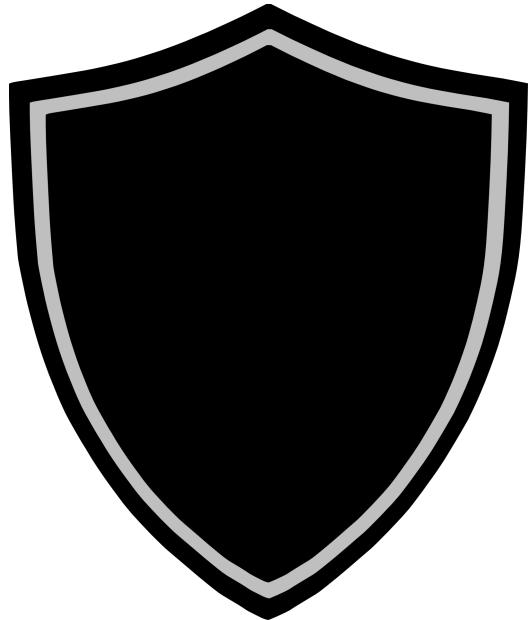
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Code Ownership Bias

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(check-sat)
[533] %
```

OS: Ubuntu 18.04
Commit: [d6ad371](#)

Assignees

No one assigned

Labels

None yet

Projects

None yet

Milestone

No milestone

Linked pull requests

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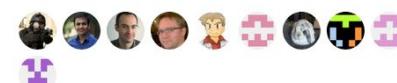
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Assume equal
priorities

DO:
Kickoff Meeting

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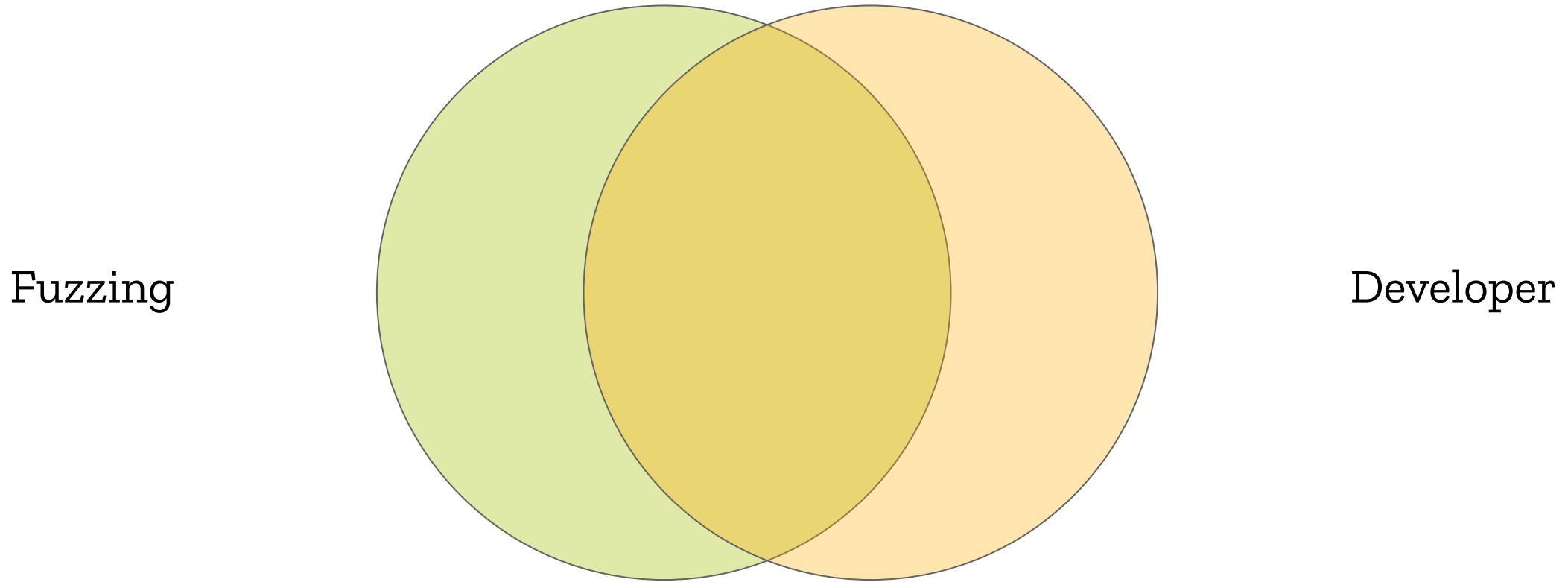


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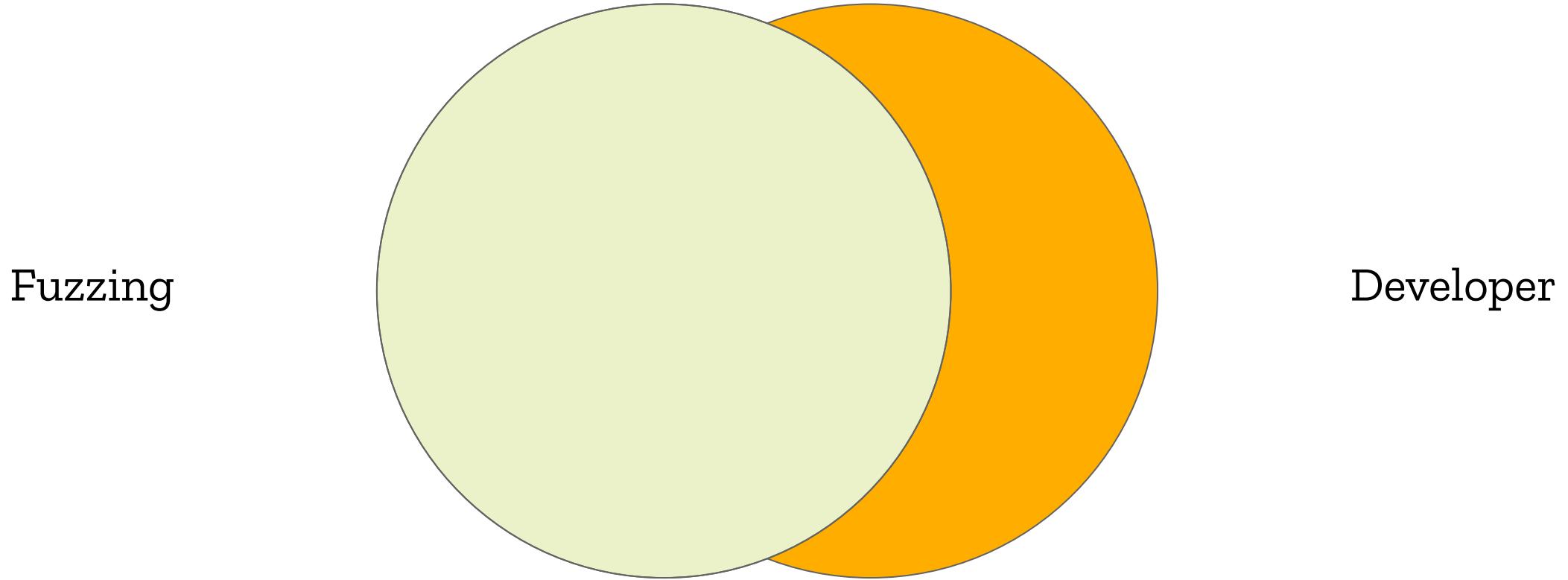


Educate on Requirements

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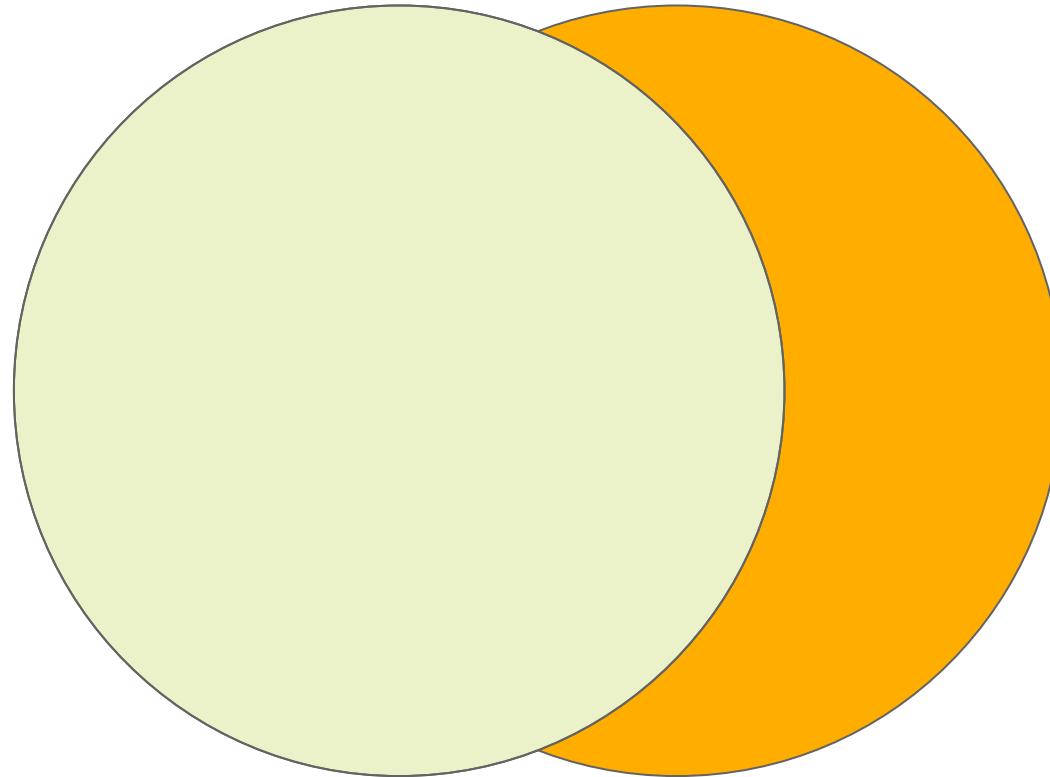


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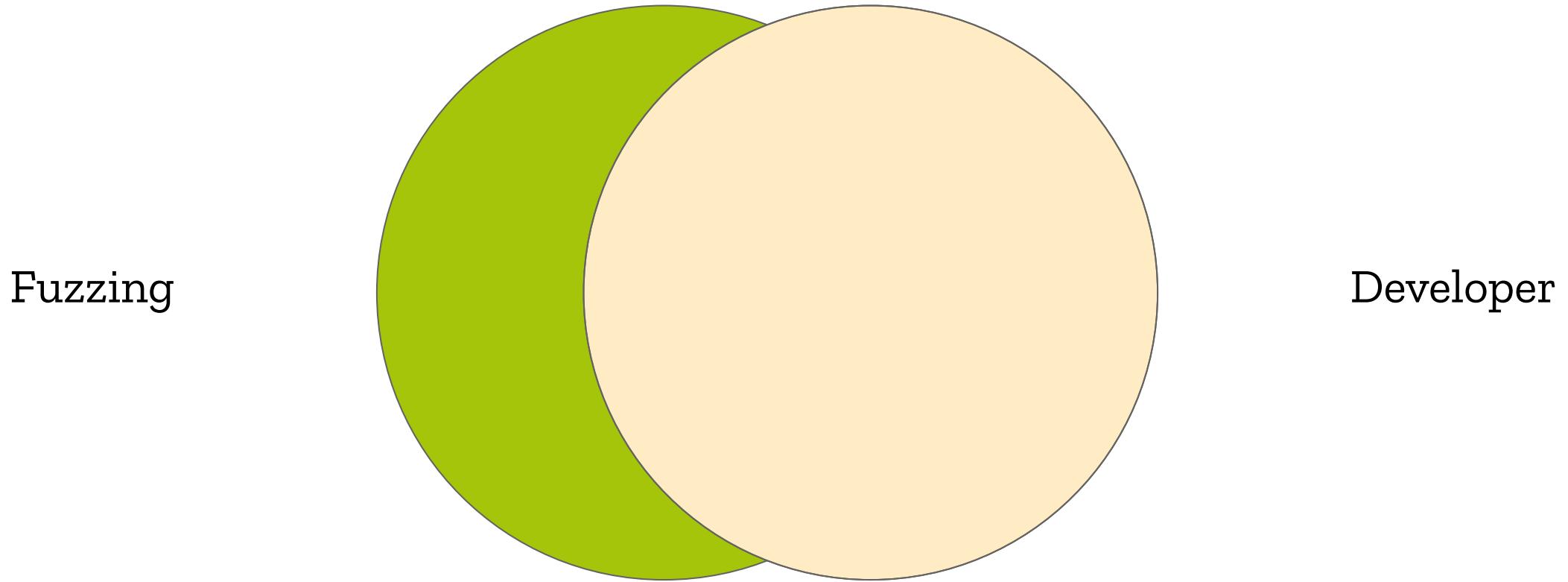
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Requirements and Goals



Example Requirement



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*"That bug isn't
interesting, please
ignore it."*

Example Requirement



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“Contract” about what constitutes a bug



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js>
```

JS

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$ js
js> print("Hello watman")
Hello watman
js>
```

JS

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$ js
js> print("Hello watman")
Hello watman
js> crash();
Hit MOZ_CRASH(forced crash) at shell/js.cpp:3700
Segmentation fault
```

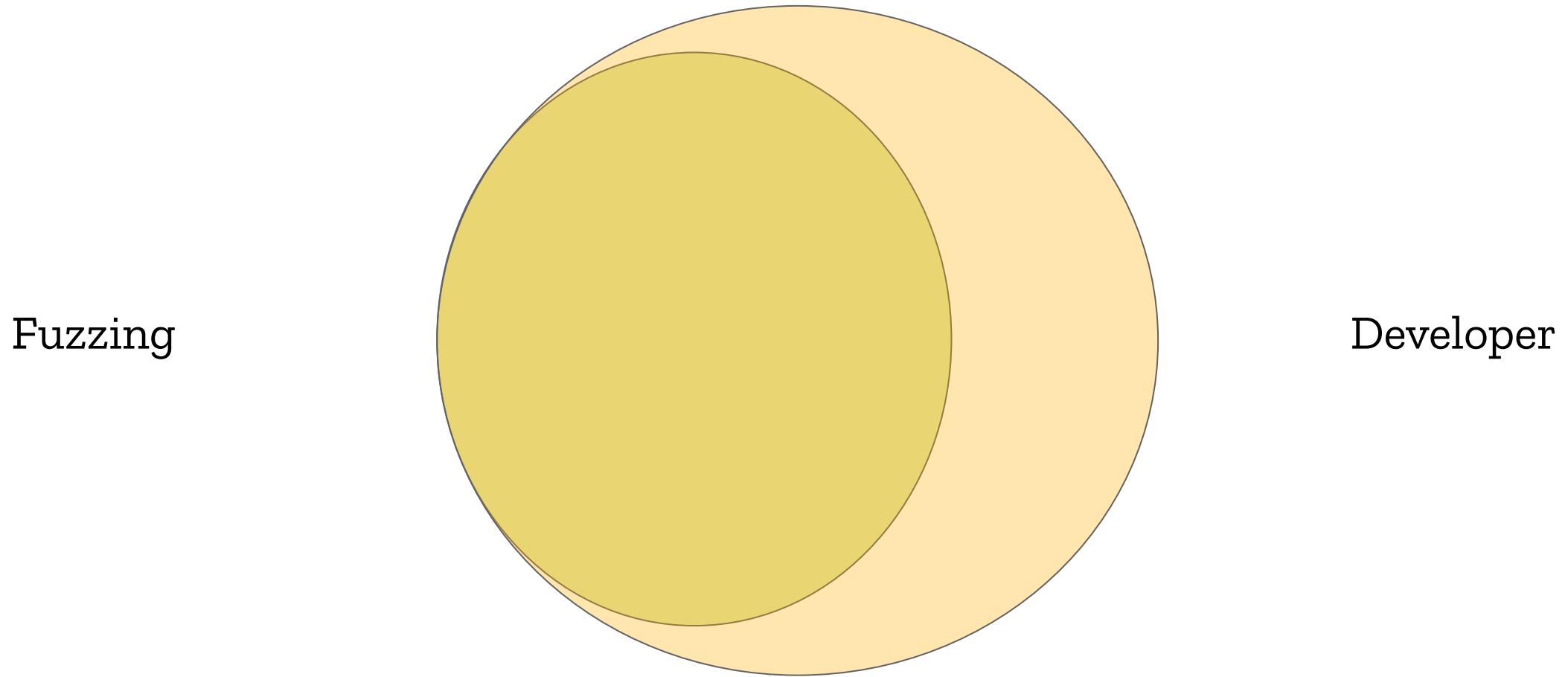
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$ js --fuzzing-safe  
js>
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Requirements vs. Goals



Fuzzblockers

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Try writing a fix **yourself!**

mozilla

I want **you** to fix a bug



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You learn something
about the code



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Developers will be happy

When?

When to Fuzz?



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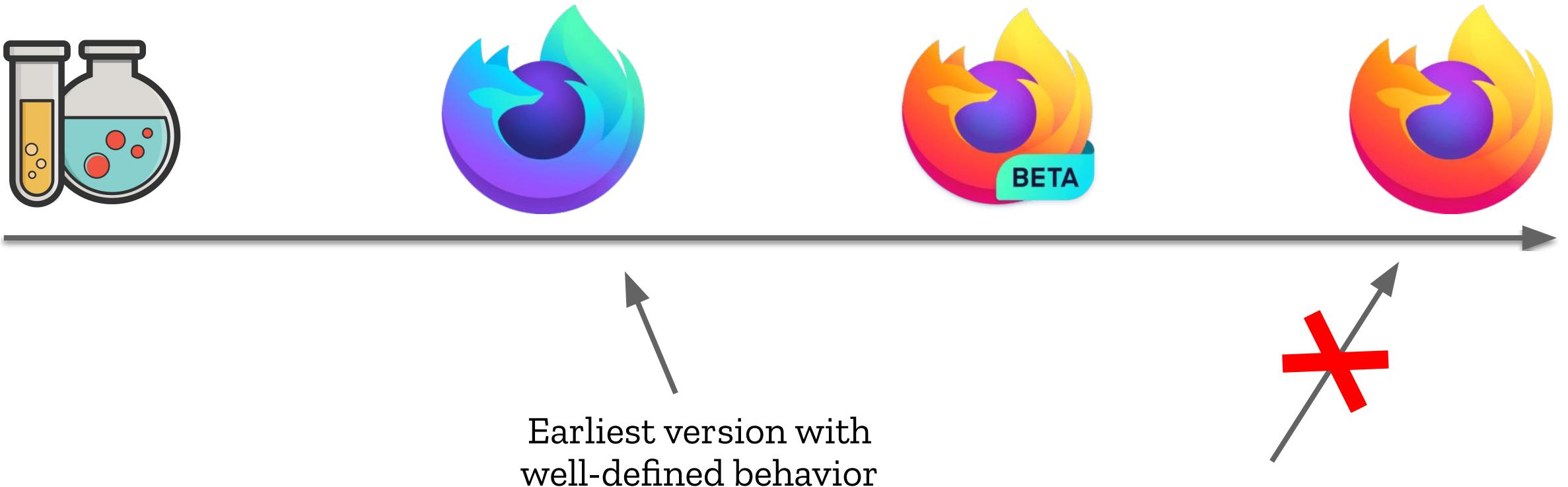
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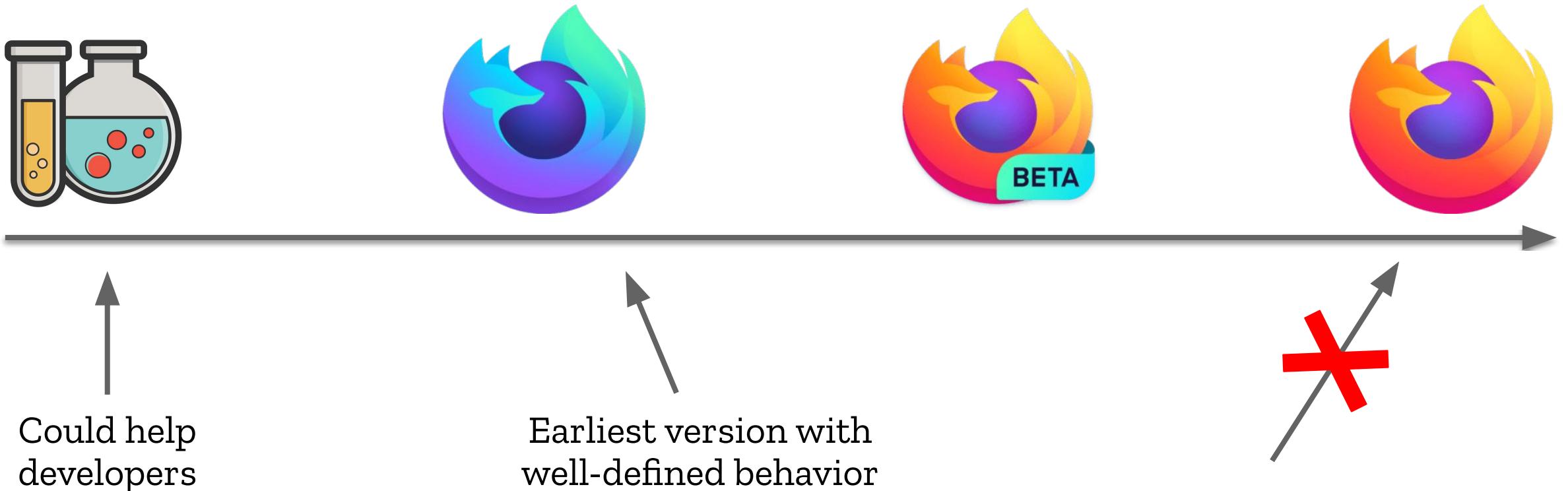
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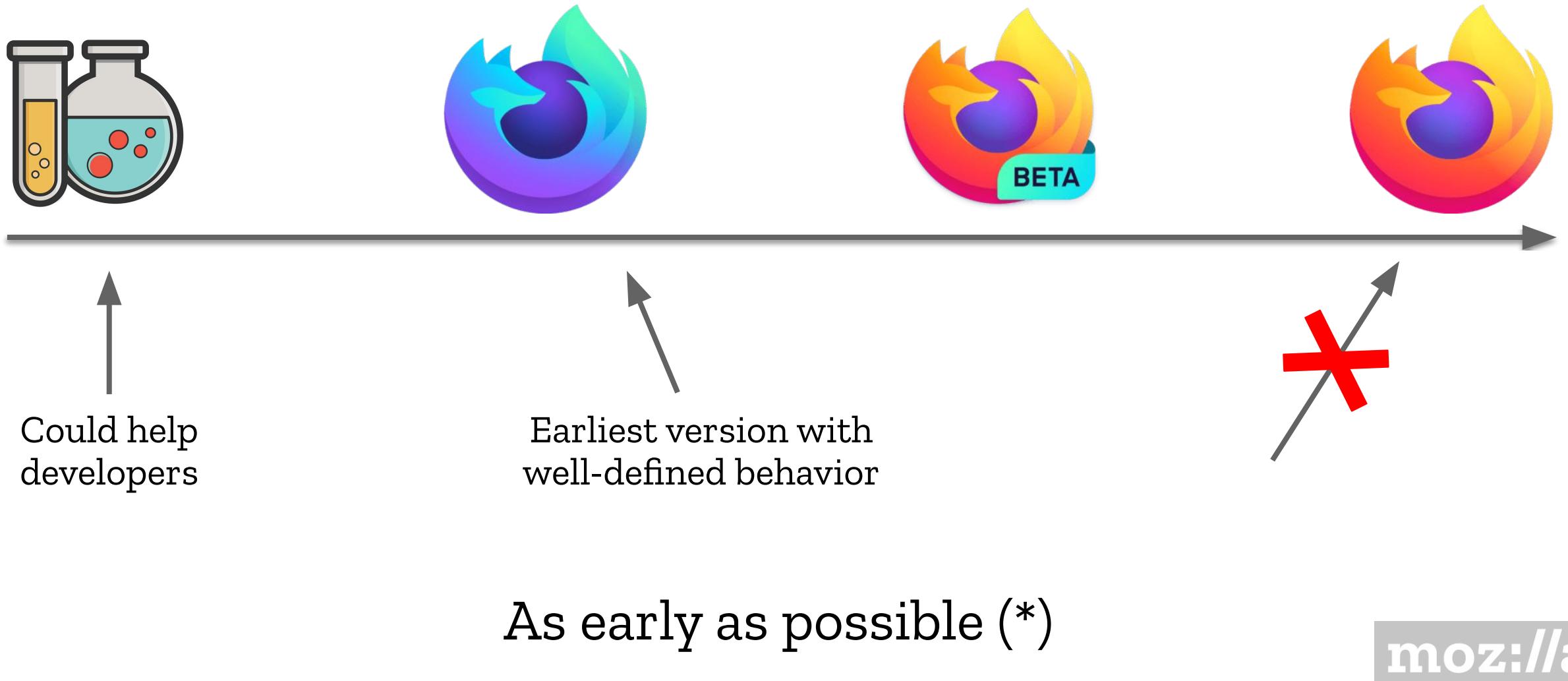
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DO: Simple Steps to reproduce

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 **Christian Holler (:decoder)** • Reporter

Description • 9 months ago

The attached testcase crashes on mozilla-central revision 20191205-3dc70a33491f.

For detailed crash information, see attachment.

To reproduce the issue, perform the following steps:

1. Download the attached testcase, save as "test.bin".
 - a. Build with --enable-fuzzing (requires Clang and ASan, also build gtests using `./mach gtest dontruntests`).
 - b. Alternatively you can download builds from TC using `python -mfuzzfetch -a --fuzzing --tests gtest` (see <https://github.com/MozillaSecurity/fuzzfetch>).
2. Run `MOZ_RUN_GTEST=1 LIBFUZZER=NetworkHttp2ProxyHttp2 objdir/dist/bin/firefox test.bin`

This is a recent regression, the test reproduces deterministically and it requires HTTP2 proxied via HTTP2.

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        break;

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        }
        break;
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        double d;
        if (!in.readDouble(&d)) {
            return false;
        }
        vp.setDouble(CanonicalizeNaN(d));
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DO: Educate

TESTING & TEST INFRASTRUCTURE

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web-platform-tests documentation

⊖ Fuzzing

⊖ Fuzzing Interface

What can be tested?

- ⊕ Reproducing bugs for existing fuzzing targets

⊖ Developing new fuzzing targets

Determine if the fuzzing interface is the right tool

Develop the fuzzing code

Add instrumentation to the code being tested

Build your code

Running your code and building a corpus

⊕ JS Engine Specifics

⊕ Troubleshooting

What is Fuzzing?

Why Fuzzing Helps You

Levels of Fuzzing in Firefox/Gecko

Code/Process Requirements for Fuzzing

Sanitizer

Performance Testing

Code coverage

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Fuzzing is Teamwork



Thank You