# source code

# **Alphuzz**

### 1. installation

X86 Linux:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/artifact11/Alphuzz.git
```

```
Cloning into 'Alphuzz'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 291, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (291/291), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (187/187), done.
remote: Total 291 (delta 39), reused 288 (delta 39), pack-reused 0
Receiving objects: 100% (291/291), 24.78 MiB | 3.08 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (39/39), done.
Checking connectivity... done.
```

```
$ cd Alphuzz
$ make
```

```
echo 0 | ./afl-showmap -m none -q -o .test-instr0 ./test-instr
echo 1 | ./afl-showmap -m none -q -o .test-instr1 ./test-instr
[+] All right, the instrumentation seems to be working!
[+] LLVM users: see llvm_mode/README.llvm for a faster alternative to afl-gcc.
[+] All done! Be sure to review README - it's pretty short and useful.
NOTE: If you can read this, your terminal probably uses white background.
This will make the UI hard to read. See docs/status_screen.txt for advice.
```

You can choose to install Alphuzz or not.

```
$ sudo make install
```

i386 Linux:

```
$ cd Alphuzz
$ AFL_NO_X86=1 make
```

# 2. Instrumenting programs for use with Alphuzz

If you're having a hard time reading such a large section of text, please refer to the examples provided.

When source code is available, instrumentation can be injected by a companion tool that works as a drop-in replacement for gcc or clang in any standard build process for third-party code.

The instrumentation has a fairly modest performance impact; in conjunction with other optimizations implemented by afl-fuzz, most programs can be fuzzed as fast or even faster than possible with traditional tools.

The correct way to recompile the target program may vary depending on the specifics of the build process, but a nearly-universal approach would be:

```
$ CC=/path/to/Alphuzz/afl-gcc ./configure
$ make clean all
```

For C++ programs, you'd would also want to set CXX=/path/to/afl/afl-g++.

The clang wrappers (afl-clang and afl-clang++) can be used in the same way; clang users may also opt to leverage a higher-performance instrumentation mode, as described in llvm\_mode/README.llvm.

When testing libraries, you need to find or write a simple program that reads data from stdin or from a file and passes it to the tested library. In such a case, it is essential to link this executable against a static version of the instrumented library, or to make sure that the correct .so file is loaded at runtime (usually by setting LD\_LIBRARY\_PATH). The simplest option is a static build, usually possible via:

```
$ CC=/path/to/Alphuzz/afl-gcc ./configure --disable-shared
```

Setting AFL\_HARDEN=1 when calling make will cause the CC wrapper to automatically enable code hardening options that make it easier to detect simple memory bugs. Libdislocator, a helper library included with AFL (see libdislocator/README.dislocator) can help uncover heap corruption issues, too.

PS. ASAN users are advised to review notes\_for\_asan.txt file for important caveats.

#### Example

Here, we use the source code of readelf to demonstrate how to perform instrumentation and how to use Alphuzz to test the program.

First, download the source code and unzip the package.

```
$ wget https://ftp.gnu.org/gnu/binutils/binutils-2.39.tar.gz
$ tar xf binutils-2.39.tar.gz
$ apt install texinfo
```

Then use afl-gcc and afl-g++ to compile the program.

```
$ cd binutils-2.39
$ CC=~/path/to/Alphuzz/afl-gcc CXX=~/.../afl-g++ ./configure
$ make
```

If you have output similar to the following image, you are compiling the program with afl-gcc.

```
afl-cc 2.52b by <lcamtuf@google.com>
afl-as 2.52b by <lcamtuf@google.com>
[+] Instrumented 274 locations (64-bit, non-hardened mode, ratio 100%).
GEN eelf32_x86_64.c
```

Now, the instrumentation is complete. We can use Alphuzz to test the program. The fuzzing process itself is carried out by the afl-fuzz utility. Sometimes, afl-fuzz requires some permissions to run.

```
$ echo core >/proc/sys/kernel/core_pattern
$ cd /sys/devices/system/cpu
$ echo performance | tee cpu*/cpufreq/scaling_governor
```

Then, use the following command to test the program.

```
$ mkdir in
$ cp /usr/bin/objdump ./in
$ ./Alphuzz/afl-fuzz -i ./in -o ./out -- ./binutils-2.39/binutils/readelf -d @@
```

```
yiru@yiru-virtual-machine:~/artifact$ mkdir in
yiru@yiru-virtual-machine:~/artifact$ cp /usr/bin/objdump ./in
yiru@yiru-virtual-machine:~/artifact$ ./Alphuzz/afl-fuzz -i ./in -o ./out -- ./b
inutils-2.39/binutils/readelf -d @@
```

```
american fuzzy lop 2.52b (readelf)
 process timing
                                                        overall results
      run time : 0 days, 0 hrs, 1 min, 35 sec
  last new path : 0 days, 0 hrs, 1 min, 32 sec
                                                        total paths : 59
last uniq crash : none seen yet
                                                        uniq crashes: 0
 last uniq hang : none seen yet
                                                         uniq hangs : 0
                                       map coverage
now processing : 0* (0.00%)
                                         map density : 0.79% / 1.28%
paths timed out : 0 (0.00%)
                                      count coverage : 1.48 bits/tuple
                                       findings in depth
now trying : bitflip 1/1
                                      favored paths : 0 (0.00%)
stage execs : 119k/2.85M (4.20%)
                                       new edges on : 39 (66.10%)
                                      total crashes : 0 (0 unique)
total execs : 121k
exec speed : 1282/sec
                                       total tmouts : 2 (2 unique)
 bit flips: 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                          levels : 2
byte flips: 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                        pending: 59
arithmetics : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                        pend fav : 0
known ints : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                       own finds : 58
 dictionary : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                        imported : n/a
     havoc : 0/0, 0/0
                                                       stability : 100.00%
      trim : 0.00%/1379, n/a
                                                                [cpu000: 13%]
```

## 3. Instrumenting binary-only apps

When source code is *NOT* available, the fuzzer offers experimental support for fast, on-the-fly instrumentation of black-box binaries. This is accomplished with a version of QEMU running in the lesser-known "user space emulation" mode.

QEMU is a project separate from AFL, but you can conveniently build the feature by doing:

```
$ cd qemu_mode
$ sudo apt install libtool libtool-bin libglib2.0-dev zlib1g automake bison
$ ./build_qemu_support.sh
$ cd ../
$ make
```

For additional instructions and caveats, see gemu\_mode/README.gemu.

The mode is approximately 2-5x slower than compile-time instrumentation, is less conductive to parallelization, and may have some other quirks.

#### Example

Here, we use objdump to demenstrate how to test binaries in qemu\_mode.

```
$ which objdump
$ ./Alphuzz/afl-fuzz -i ./Alphuzz/testcases/others/elf/ -o ./out -Q --
/usr/bin/objdump -d @@
```

```
yiru@yiru-virtual-machine:~/artifact$ which objdump
/usr/bin/objdump
yiru@yiru-virtual-machine:~/artifact$ ./Alphuzz/afl-fuzz -i ./Alphuzz/testcases/
others/elf/ -o ./out -O -- /usr/bin/objdump -d @@
```

```
american fuzzy lop 2.52b (objdump)
                                                        overall results
      run time : 0 days, 0 hrs, 0 min, 3 sec
 last new path : 0 days, 0 hrs, 0 min, 0 sec
                                                         total paths : 5
last uniq crash : none seen yet
                                                       uniq crashes: 0
last uniq hang : none seen yet
                                                         uniq hangs : 0
now processing : 0* (0.00%)
                                         map density : 0.49% / 0.56%
paths timed out : 0 (0.00%)
                                      count coverage : 1.02 bits/tuple
                                       findings in depth
                                      favored paths : 0 (0.00%)
now trying : bitflip 1/1
stage execs : 434/2592 (16.74%)
                                       new edges on : 4 (80.00%)
                                      total crashes : 0 (0 unique)
total execs : 625
exec speed: 131.9/sec
                                       total tmouts : 0 (0 unique)
 bit flips: 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                          levels : 2
byte flips : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                        pending: 5
                                                        pend fav : 0
arithmetics : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
known ints : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                      own finds: 4
                                                        imported : n/a
dictionary : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
     havoc : 0/0, 0/0
                                                      stability: 100.00%
      trim : 0.00%/150, n/a
                                                                [cpu000: 13%]
```

### 4. Fuzzing binaries

The fuzzing process itself is carried out by the afl-fuzz utility. This program requires a read-only directory with initial test cases, a separate place to store its findings, plus a path to the binary to test.

For target binaries that accept input directly from stdin, the usual syntax is:

```
$ ./afl-fuzz -i testcase_dir -o findings_dir /path/to/program [...params...]
```

For programs that take input from a file, use '@@' to mark the location in the target's command line where the input file name should be placed. The fuzzer will substitute this for you:

```
$ ./afl-fuzz -i testcase_dir -o findings_dir /path/to/program @@
```

You can also use the -f option to have the mutated data written to a specific file. This is useful if the program expects a particular file extension or so.

Non-instrumented binaries can be fuzzed in the QEMU mode (add -Q in the command line) or in a traditional, blind-fuzzer mode (specify -n).

You can use -t and -m to override the default timeout and memory limit for the executed process; rare examples of targets that may need these settings touched include compilers and video decoders.

Note that afl-fuzz starts by performing an array of deterministic fuzzing steps, which can take several days, but tend to produce neat test cases. If you want quick & dirty results right away - akin to zzuf and other traditional fuzzers - add the -d option to the command line.

# 5. Interpreting output

See the status\_screen.txt file for information on how to interpret the displayed stats and monitor the health of the process. Be sure to consult this file especially if any UI elements are highlighted in red.

The fuzzing process will continue until you press Ctrl-C. At minimum, you want to allow the fuzzer to complete one queue cycle, which may take anywhere from a couple of hours to a week or so.

There are three subdirectories created within the output directory and updated in real time:

- queue/
  - test cases for every distinctive execution path, plus all the starting files given by the user.
- crashes/
  - unique test cases that cause the tested program to receive a fatal signal (e.g., SIGSEGV, SIGILL, SIGABRT). The entries are grouped by the received signal.
- hangs/
  - unique test cases that cause the tested program to time out. The default time limit before something is classified as a hang is the larger of 1 second and the value of the -t parameter. The value can be fine-tuned by setting AFL\_HANG\_TMOUT, but this is rarely necessary.

Crashes and hangs are considered "unique" if the associated execution paths involve any state transitions not seen in previously-recorded faults. If a single bug can be reached in multiple ways, there will be some count inflation early in the process, but this should quickly taper off.

The file names for crashes and hangs are correlated with parent, non-faulting queue entries. This should help with debugging.

When you can't reproduce a crash found by afl-fuzz, the most likely cause is that you are not setting the same memory limit as used by the tool. Try:

```
$ LIMIT_MB=50
$ ( ulimit -Sv $[LIMIT_MB << 10]; /path/to/tested_binary ... )</pre>
```

Change LIMIT\_MB to match the -m parameter passed to afl-fuzz. On OpenBSD, also change -Sv to -Sd.

Any existing output directory can be also used to resume aborted jobs; try:

```
$ ./afl-fuzz -i- -o existing_output_dir [...etc...]
```

# **Alphuzzplusplus**

#### 1. installation

```
$ git clone https://github.com/artifact11/Alphuzzplusplus.git
```

```
yiru@yiru-virtual-machine:~/artifact$ git clone https://github.com/artifact11/Al
phuzzplusplus.git
Cloning into 'Alphuzzplusplus'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 873, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (873/873), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (690/690), done.
remote: Total 873 (delta 87), reused 870 (delta 87), pack-reused 0
Receiving objects: 100% (873/873), 3.22 MiB | 1.09 MiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (87/87), done.
Checking connectivity... done.
```

Alphuzzplusplus is implemented on top of AFLplusplus. AFLplusplus is a superior fork to AFL - more speed, more and better mutations, more and better instrumentation, custom module support, etc. Therefore, the installation of Alphuzzplusplus is much more complicated than the installation of Alphuzz. Here, we only use qemu\_mode. For the details of other modes, please refer to Alphuzzplusplus/README\_ori\_aflplusplus.md.

```
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install -y build-essential python3-dev automake git flex bison
libglib2.0-dev libpixman-1-dev python3-setuptools
# try to install llvm 11 and install the distro default if that fails
$ sudo apt-get install -y lld-11 llvm-11 llvm-11-dev clang-11 || sudo apt-get
install -y llvm llvm-dev clang
$ sudo apt-get install -y gcc-$(gcc --version|head -n1|sed 's/.* //'|sed
's/\..*//')-plugin-dev libstdc++-$(gcc --version|head -n1|sed 's/.* //'|sed
's/\..*//')-dev
$ cd Alphuzzplusplus
$ make binary-only
```

#### Dependencies:

- Python >= 3.6
- Ninja >= 1.7

### 2. Fuzzing binaries

Please refer to the usage of Alphuzz.

# **Docker image**

We publish a docker image on docker hub. The size of this image is about 14.7GB.



\$ sudo docker pull yiruzhaozhao/alphuzz:artifact

\$ sudo docker run --privileged -it yiruzhaozhao/alphuzz:artifact /bin/bash

We put the datasets binaries and initial seeds under the root directory.

```
root@e17cfb1ea93f:/# ls
12-real-world boot
                              media
                                                                 unifuzz
                                      opt
                                                     root
                                                           SIV
Python-3.8.1
                dev
                       lib
                              mnt
                                      ргос
                                                                 usr
                                                     run
                                                           sys
bin
                      lib64
                              ninja
                                      psutil-5.9.2
                                                     sbin
                etc
                                                                 var
```

We put the Alphuzz and Alpuzzplusplus under the /home directory.

```
root@e17cfb1ea93f:/home# ls
Alphuzz-main Alphuzzplusplus-main
```

# **Example**

Take Unifuzz dataset for example.

# **Alphuzz**

```
$ /home/Alphuzz-main/afl-fuzz -i /unifuzz/seeds/exiv2 -o /home/out -Q --
/unifuzz/binaries/exiv2 @@
```

```
root@e17cfb1ea93f:/# /home/Alphuzz-main/afl-fuzz -i /unifuzz/seeds/exiv2/ -o /ho
me/out -Q -- /unifuzz/binaries/exiv2 @@
afl-fuzz 2.52b by <lcamtuf@google.com>
[+] You have 8 CPU cores and 2 runnable tasks (utilization: 25%).
[+] Try parallel jobs - see docs/parallel_fuzzing.txt.
[*] Checking CPU core loadout...
[+] Found a free CPU core, binding to #0.
[*] Checking core pattern...
[*] Setting up output directories...
[+] Output directory exists but deemed OK to reuse.
[*] Deleting old session data...
[+] Output dir cleanup successful.
[*] Scanning '/unifuzz/seeds/exiv2/'...
[+] No auto-generated dictionary tokens to reuse.
[*] Creating hard links for all input files...
[*] Validating target binary...
[*] Attempting dry run with 'id:000000,orig:103.jpg'...
                        american fuzzy lop 2.52b (exiv2)
                                                           overall results
        run time : 0 days, 0 hrs, 3 min, 30 sec
   last new path : none seen yet
                                                           total paths : 100
                                                          uniq crashes : 0
 last uniq crash : none seen yet
  last uniq hang : none seen yet
                                                            uniq hangs : 0
  now processing : 0* (0.00%)
                                           map density : 12.44% / 12.50%
 paths timed out : 0 (0.00%)
                                        count coverage : 1.02 bits/tuple
  now trying : trim 256/256
                                        favored paths : 0 (0.00\%)
 stage execs : 109/122 (89.34%)
                                         new edges on : 1 (1.00%)
 total execs : 1048
                                        total crashes : 0 (0 unique)
                                         total tmouts : 0 (0 unique)
  fuzzing strategy vields
   bit flips : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                            levels : 1
  byte flips : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                           pending : 100
 arithmetics : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                          pend fav : 0
  known ints : 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                         own finds : 0
  dictionary: 0/0, 0/0, 0/0
                                                          imported : n/a
       havoc : 0/0, 0/0
                                                         stability : 96.63%
        trim : n/a, n/a
                                                                  [cpu000: 54%]
```

## **Alphuzzplusplus**

```
$ /home/Alphuzzplusplus-main/afl-fuzz -i /unifuzz/seeds/cflow -o /home/out -Q -t
3000+ -- /unifuzz/binaries/cflow @@
```

```
root@e17cfb1ea93f:/# /home/Alphuzzplusplus-main/afl-fuzz -i /unifuzz/seeds/cflow
/ -o /home/out -t 3000+ -Q -- /unifuzz/binaries/cflow @@
afl-fuzz++3.14a based on afl by Michal Zalewski and a large online community
[+] afl++ is maintained by Marc "van Hauser" Heuse, Heiko "hexcoder" Eißfeldt, A
ndrea Fioraldi and Dominik Maier
[+] afl++ is open source, get it at https://github.com/AFLplusplus/AFLplusplus
[+] NOTE: This is v3.x which changes defaults and behaviours - see README.md
[+] No -M/-S set, autoconfiguring for "-S default"
[*] Getting to work...
[+] Using exponential power schedule (FAST)
[+] Enabled testcache with 50 MB
[*] Checking core_pattern...
[!] WARNING: Could not check CPU scaling governor
[+] You have 8 CPU cores and 4 runnable tasks (utilization: 50%).
[+] Try parallel jobs - see docs/parallel fuzzing.md.
[*] Setting up output directories...
[*] Checking CPU core loadout...
[+] Found a free CPU core, try binding to #0.
[*] Scanning '/unifuzz/seeds/cflow/'...
```

```
american fuzzy lop ++3.14a (default) [fast] {0}
       run time : 0 days, 0 hrs, 0 min, 2 sec
   last new path : O days, O hrs, O min, O sec
                                                        total paths : 117
 last uniq crash : none seen yet
                                                       uniq crashes: 0
  last uniq hang : none seen yet
                                                         uniq hangs : 0
 now processing : 18.0 (15.4%)
                                           map density : 1.91% / 4.52%
paths timed out : 0 (0.00%)
                                        count coverage : 4.66 bits/tuple
 stage progress
 now trying : havoc
                                        favored paths : 34 (29.06%)
stage execs : 30/1824 (1.64%)
                                         new edges on : 45 (38.46%)
total execs : 1532
                                        total crashes : 0 (0 unique)
                                         total tmouts : 0 (0 unique)
 exec speed: 167.4/sec
                                                       path geometry
  bit flips : disabled (default, enable with -D)
                                                         levels : 2
 byte flips : disabled (default, enable with -D)
                                                        pending: 117
arithmetics : disabled (default, enable with -D)
                                                       pend fav : 34
 known ints : disabled (default, enable with -D)
                                                      own finds: 16
 dictionary : n/a
                                                       imported : 0
havoc/splice : 0/0, 0/0
py/custom/rq : unused, unused, unused, unused
    trim/eff : 0.00%/13, disabled
                                                               [cpu000: 37%]
```