

# Software Testing (Advanced Part II)

Week 10

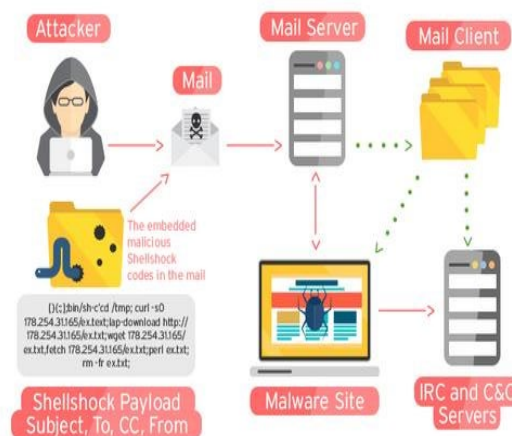
# Security is *often* a software issue.

In Deloitte's 2007 Global Security Survey, 87 percent of survey respondents cited poor software development quality as a top threat in the next 12 months.



CVE-2014-0160

Heartbleed



CVE-2014-6271

Shellshock



Multiple CVE

# A Simple Vulnerability

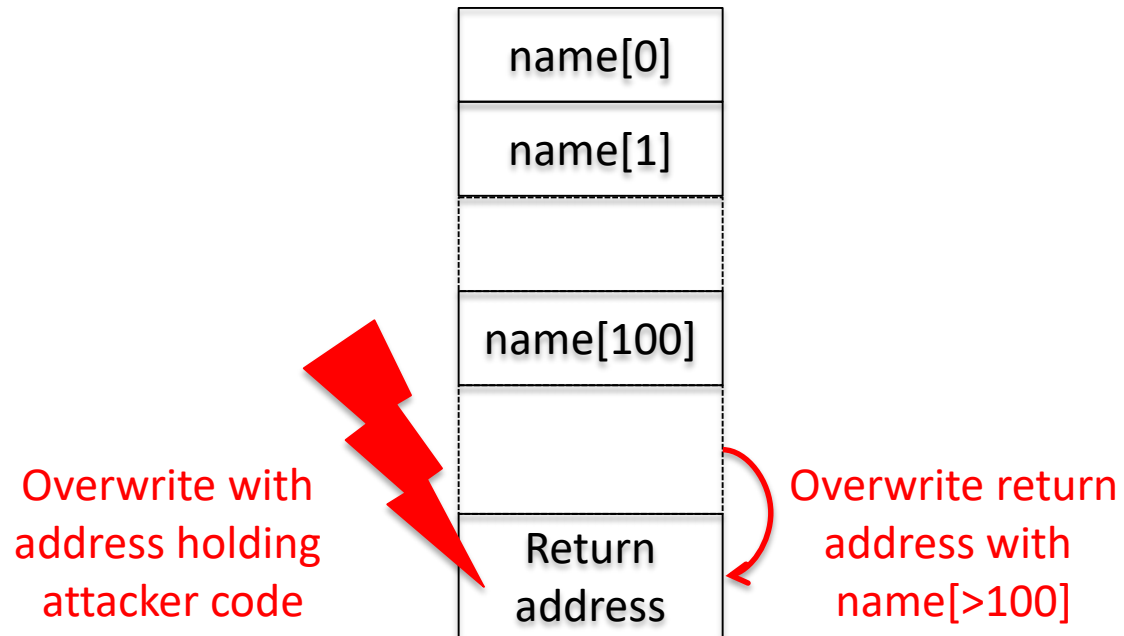
```
while ((read = getch()) != '\0')  
{  
    name[id++] = read;  
    ....  
}
```



getch() reads input from standard input terminal

# A Simple Vulnerability

```
char name[100];  
while ((read = getch()) != '\0')  
{  
    name[id++] = read;  
    ....  
}
```



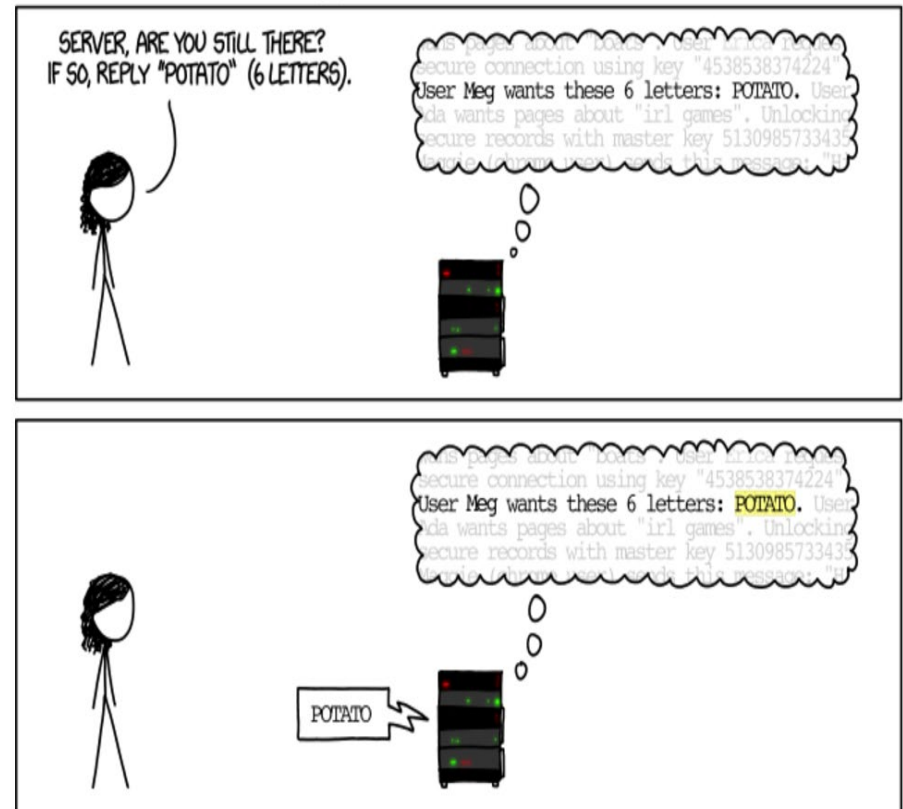
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# Overflow Example: Heartbleed

- Heartbleed is a [security bug](#) in the [OpenSSL cryptography](#) library, which is a widely used implementation of the [Transport Layer Security](#) (TLS) protocol.
- Details can be found at: <https://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2014-0160>



## HOW THE HEARTBLEED BUG WORKS:



# Example: Heartbleed

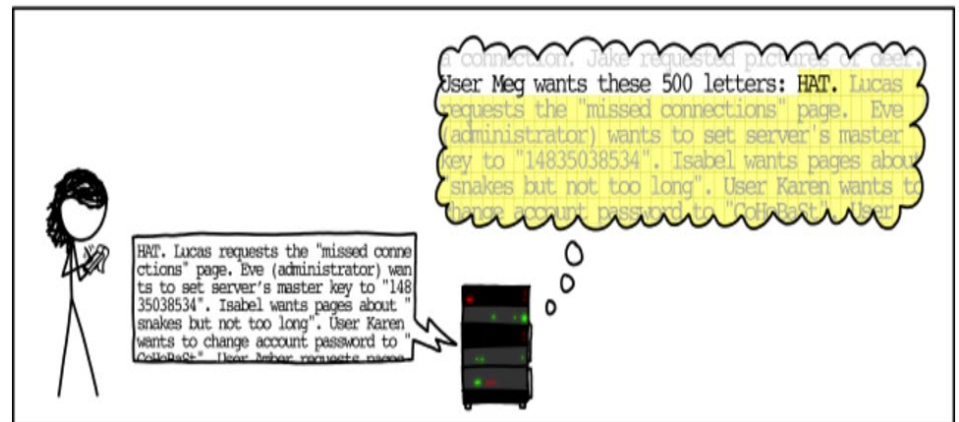
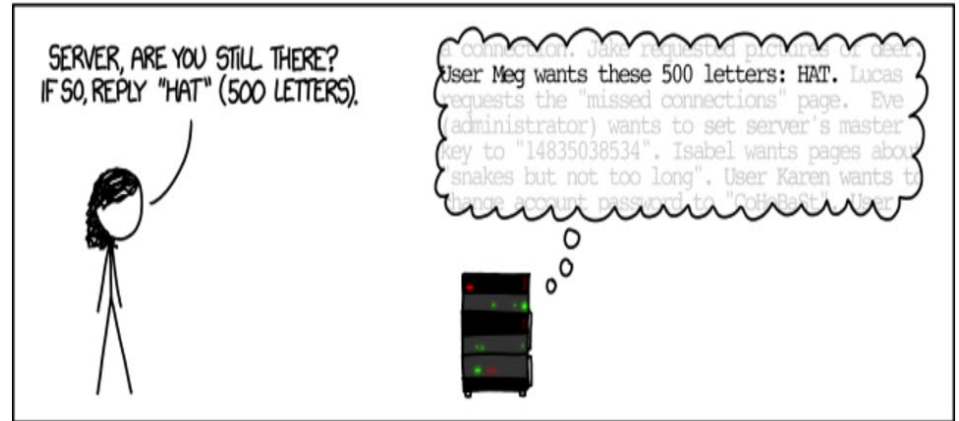
The Bug:

```
memcpy(bp, pl, payload);
```

where **bp** is a pointer, **pl** is where the data the client sent as a heartbeat is, and **payload** is a number that says how big **pl** is.

The Fix:

```
if (1 + 2 + payload + 16 > s->s3->rrec.length)
return 0; /* silently discard per RFC 6520 sec. 4 */
```



# How Does Testing Work?

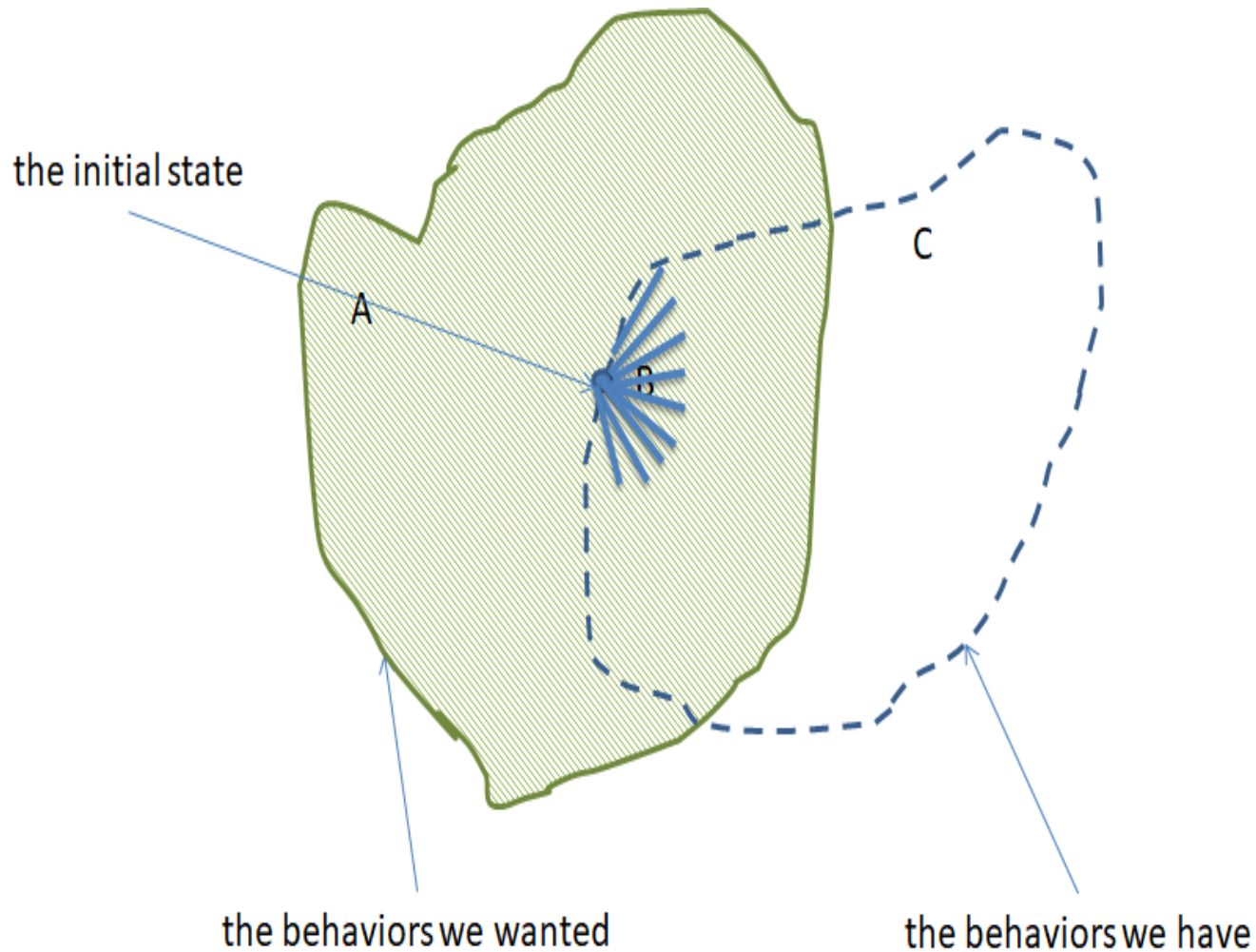
## Questions

- How do we run tests?
- How do we know whether the output is correct or not? (The oracle problem)
- What inputs do we test and how do we generate them? (The test-generation problem)
- When have we tested enough?

## Sample Answers

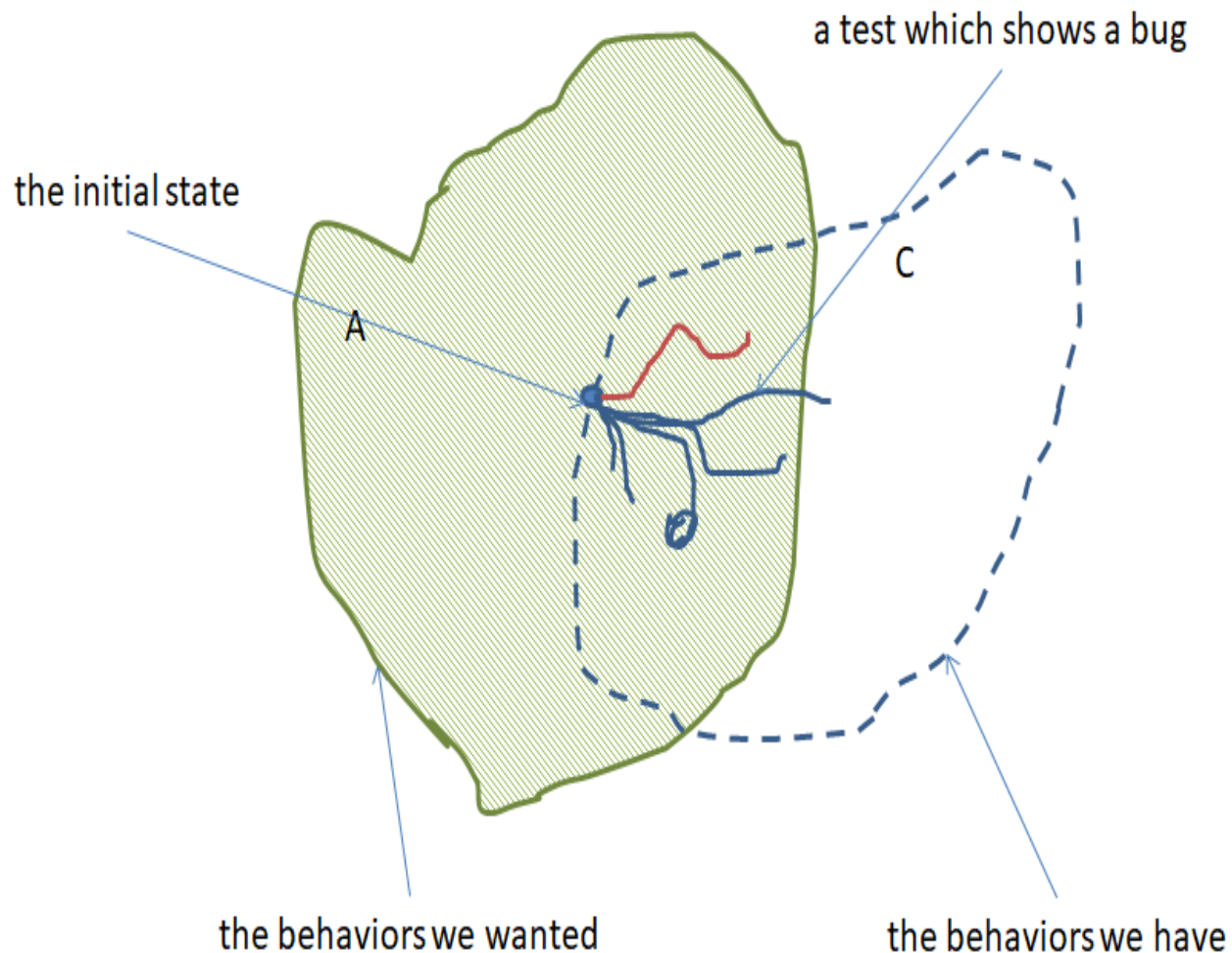
- JUnit
- Selenium driver

# Testing: a Big Picture





# Testing: a Big Picture



# Security Relevant Testing

Testing remains an effective way of checking functional correctness and security of systems.

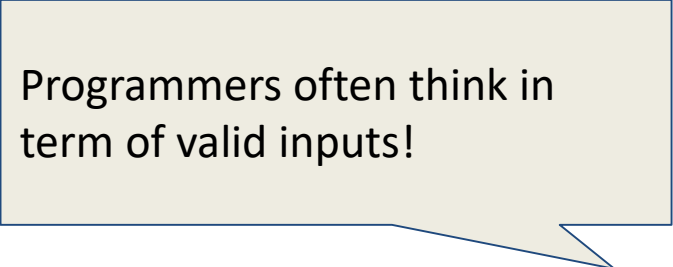
- Penetration testing
- Fuzzing
- Systematic testing
- ...

# Fuzzing

Fuzzing or fuzz testing is an automated [software testing](#) technique that involves providing invalid, unexpected, or [random data](#) as inputs to a computer program.

- Very long or completely blank strings
- Maximum and minimum values for integers
- Null characters, new line characters, semi-colons
- Format string values (%n, %s, etc.)

Fuzzing aims to identify test inputs which reveal exploitable vulnerabilities.



Programmers often think in term of valid inputs!

# Why Fuzzing

- A study found that one-quarter to one-third of all utilities on every UNIX system that the evaluators could get their hands on would crash in the presence of random input.
- A study that looked at 30 different Windows applications found that 21% of programs crashed and 24% hung when sent random mouse and keyboard input, and every single application crashed or hung when sent random Windows event messages.
- A study found that OS X applications, including Acrobat Reader, Apple Mail, Firefox, iChat, iTunes, MS Office, Opera, and Xcode, were even worse than the Windows ones.

# Fuzzing: Pros and Cons

## Pros

- Can provide results with little effort
- Can reveal bugs that were missed in a manual audit
- Provides an overall picture of the robustness of the target software

## Cons

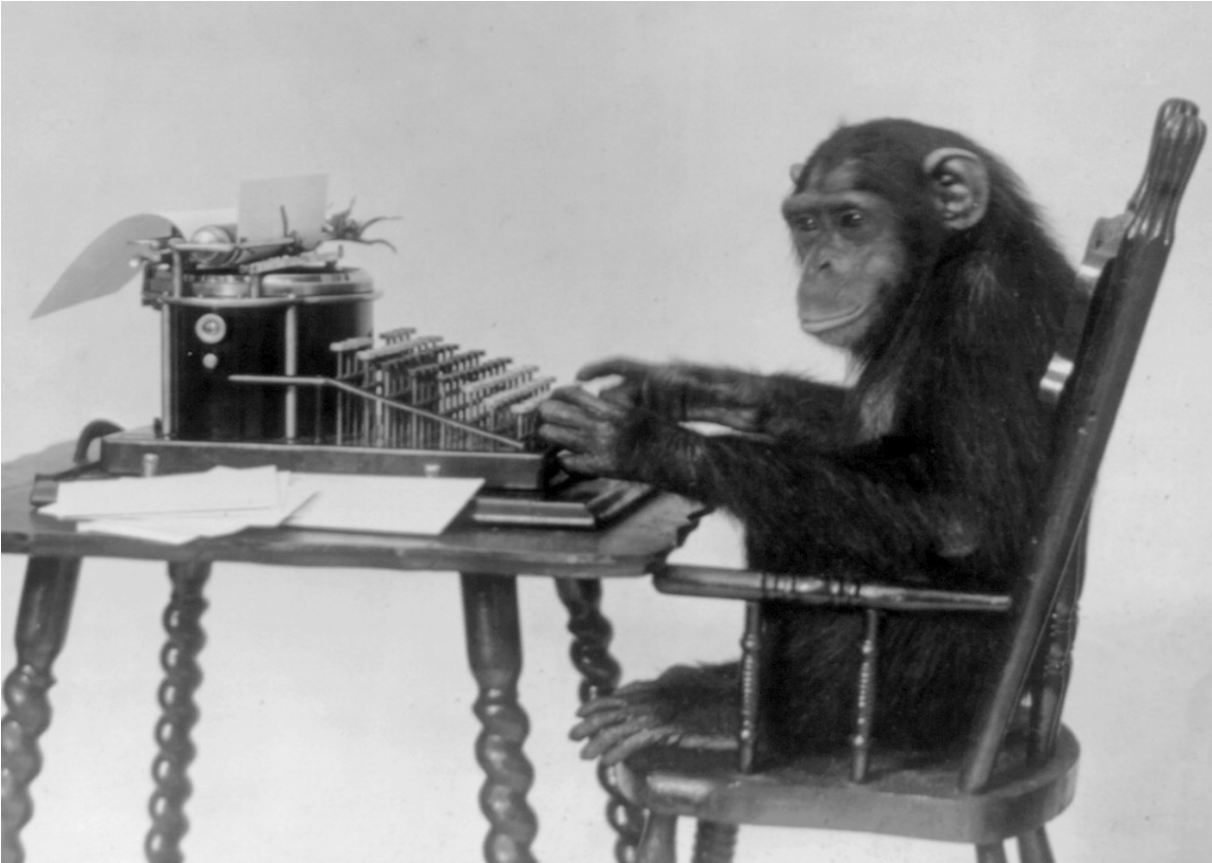
- Will not find all bugs
- The crashing test cases that are produced may be difficult to analyse, as the act of fuzzing does not give you much knowledge of how the software operates internally
- Programs with complex inputs can require much more work to produce a smart enough fuzzer to get sufficient code coverage

# Fuzzing Phases

- Identify target
- Identify inputs
- Generate fuzzed data
- Execute fuzzed data
- Monitor for exceptions/errors/crashes
- Determine exploitability

The central question: how to smartly generate fuzzed data?

# Security Testing

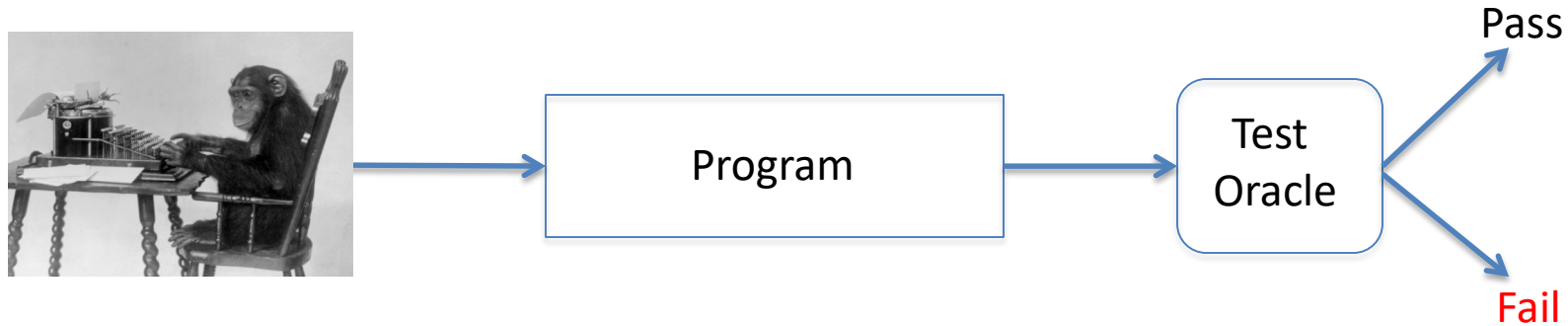


Picture:

<https://en.wikipedia.org>

*Let's put a monkey*

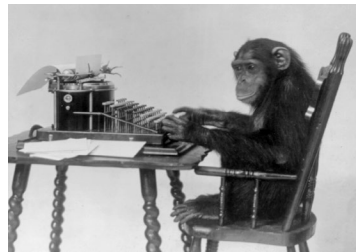
# Fuzzing



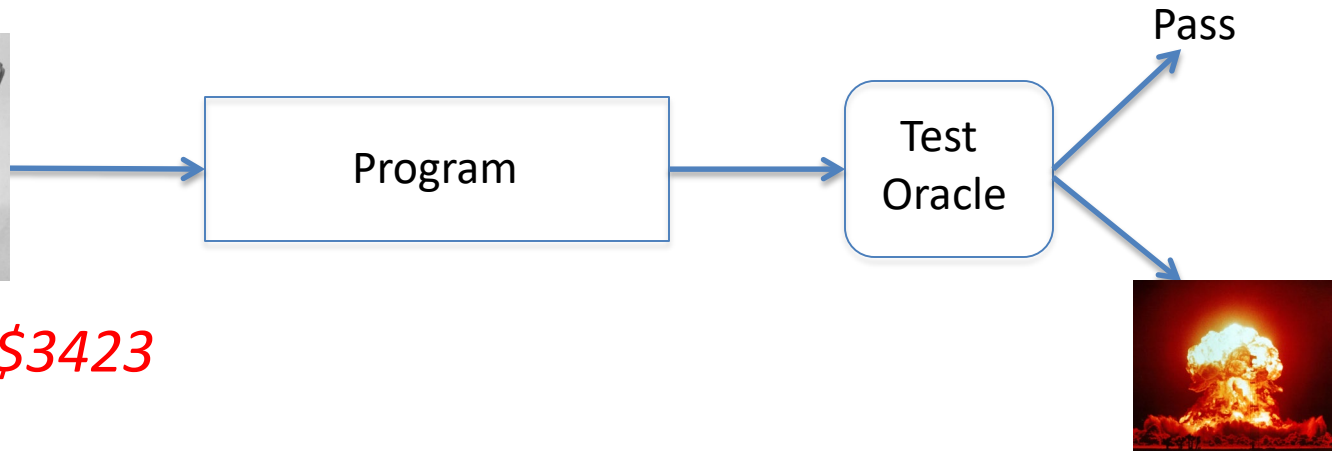
*Let's put a monkey*



# Fuzzing



*%^web3r@#\$3423*



*Random Testing at the System Level*

# **An Empirical Study of the Reliability of UNIX Utilities**

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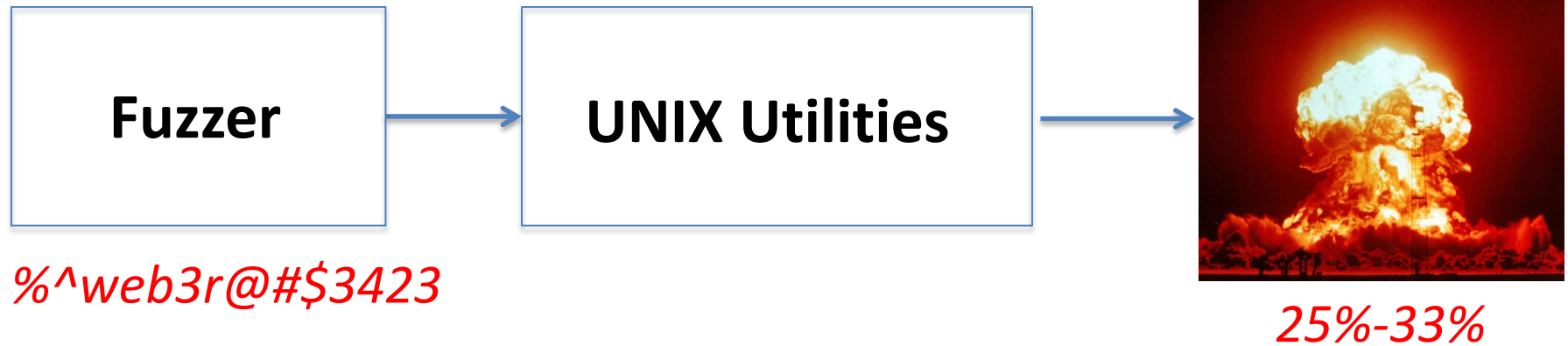
## **Summary**

Operating system facilities, such as the kernel and utility programs, are typically assumed to be reliable. In our recent experiments, we have been able to crash 25-33% of the utility programs on any version of UNIX that was tested. This report describes these tests and an analysis of the program bugs that caused the crashes.

## **Content Indicators**

D.2.5 (Testing and Debugging), D.4.9 (Programs and Utilities), General term: reliability, UNIX.

# Fuzzing



*Random Testing at the System Level*

# Fuzzer Output

```
` ,a=~F]8b'<Dks}jG[BCO:U65~3+hAO[(qs=z!X?|G_>la3<yNm\hO6#R;  
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LGRZ?MNt>2trkvJ Gm`W|(+4@/\W/ByT7HAsZ#_4}abq)50ghBfs
```

simple-fuzzer.c

# Reasons for Bombing

- Arrays and Pointers
- Not checking return code of a function
- ...

# Safe Coding Practices

- Check all array bounds
- Apply bounds on program inputs
- Check all return values of a function
- Do not trust third-party inputs

*All supported by modern programming languages*

# Fuzzer Output

Z(cG\*mOGaQ%%SWbFUXVGZin.,Kg5x)a0fM{,3+{Pd=X#s-  
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)4+



**Most Programs reject invalid inputs**

# Challenge

Z(cG\*mOGaQ%%SWbFUXVGZin.,Kg5x)a0fM{,3+{Pd=X#s-

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@?^;2hV]'WrKlAb`WY"C

**How do we get a Fuzzer to generate valid inputs?**



# Idea

ISTDisApillarInSUT, but its Name is Going To Change



**Leverage existing VALID inputs**

# Mutation

ISTDisApillarInSUTDbutItsNameIsGoingToChange



*Trim at a random position*

ISTDisApillarInSUTDbutIts

mutation-fuzzer.c

# Mutation

ISTDisApillarInSUTDbutItsNameiSGoingToChange



*Select a position randomly*

ISTDisApillar**I**nSUTDbutItsNameiSGoingToChange



*Flip a random bit of the selected position*

ISTDisApillar**Y**nSUTDbutItsNameiSGoingToChange

mutation-fuzzer.c

# Mutation Operators

- Flipping a bit
- Trimming
- Swapping characters
- Inserting characters

*Mutation operators are chosen at random in every iteration*

# Cohort Exercise 1

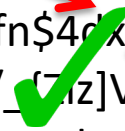
- Given an input string, implement a mutation operator that choose a random position in the string and swap the adjacent characters. Meaning if SUTD is an input string and 2 is chosen as the random position, the output should be SUDT. Careful about the string length bound check.

mutation-fuzzing-swap.\*

# Fuzzer Output

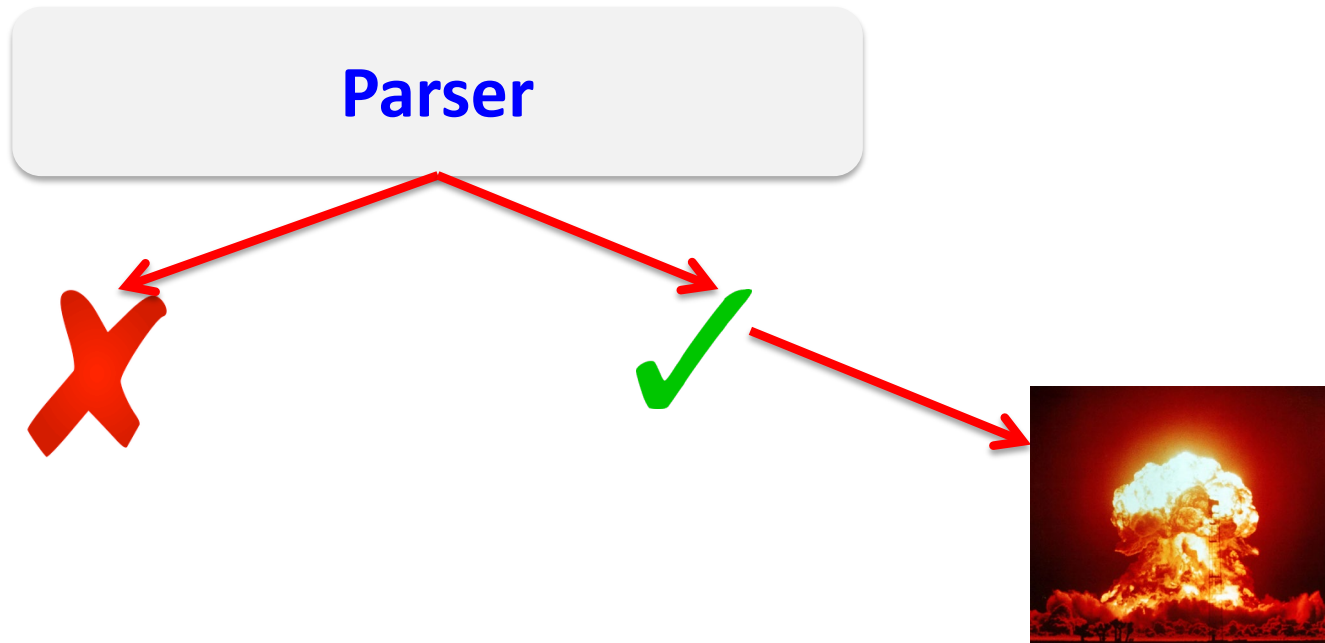
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**Parser**



**The parser rejects invalid input**

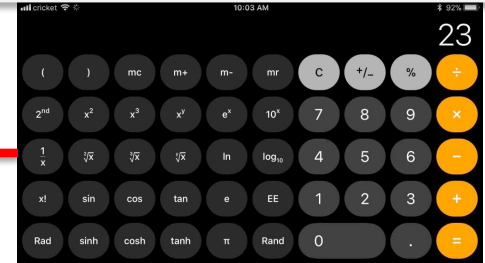
# Idea



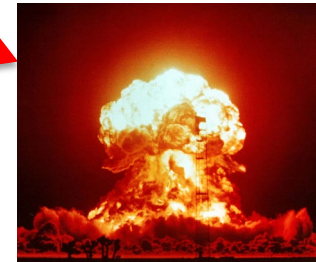
**Get a format of the valid inputs**

# Idea

**Calculator**



**Parser**



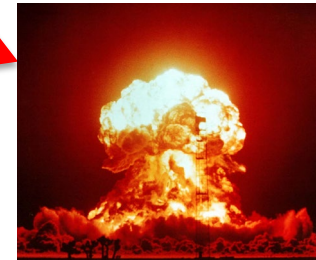
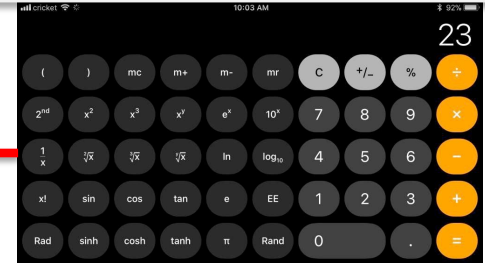
**Calculator supports arithmetic expressions**



# Idea

Calculator

Parser

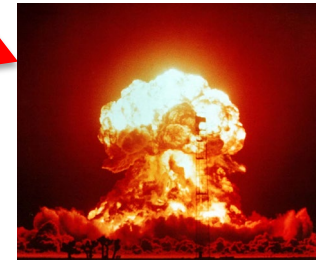
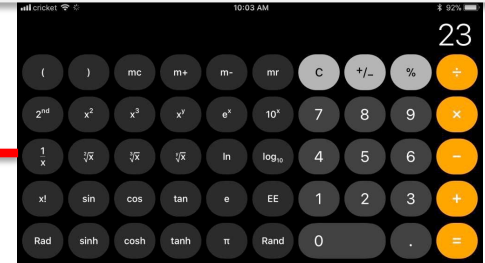


$1+3$ ,  $3+1/2$ ,  $4*(5+1)-1$  are valid inputs

# Idea

Calculator

Parser



$1/*1$ ,  $+ - 21/12$ ,  $2----$  are invalid inputs

# Idea

$S := \text{Expr}$

$\text{Expr} := \text{Expr} + \text{Term} \mid \text{Expr} - \text{Term} \mid \text{Term}$

$\text{Term} := \text{Term} * \text{Factor} \mid \text{Term} / \text{Factor} \mid \text{Factor}$

$\text{Factor} := -\text{Integer} \mid (\text{Expr}) \mid \text{Integer} \mid \text{Integer}.\text{Integer}$

$\text{Integer} := \text{Digit} \mid \text{IntegerDigit}$

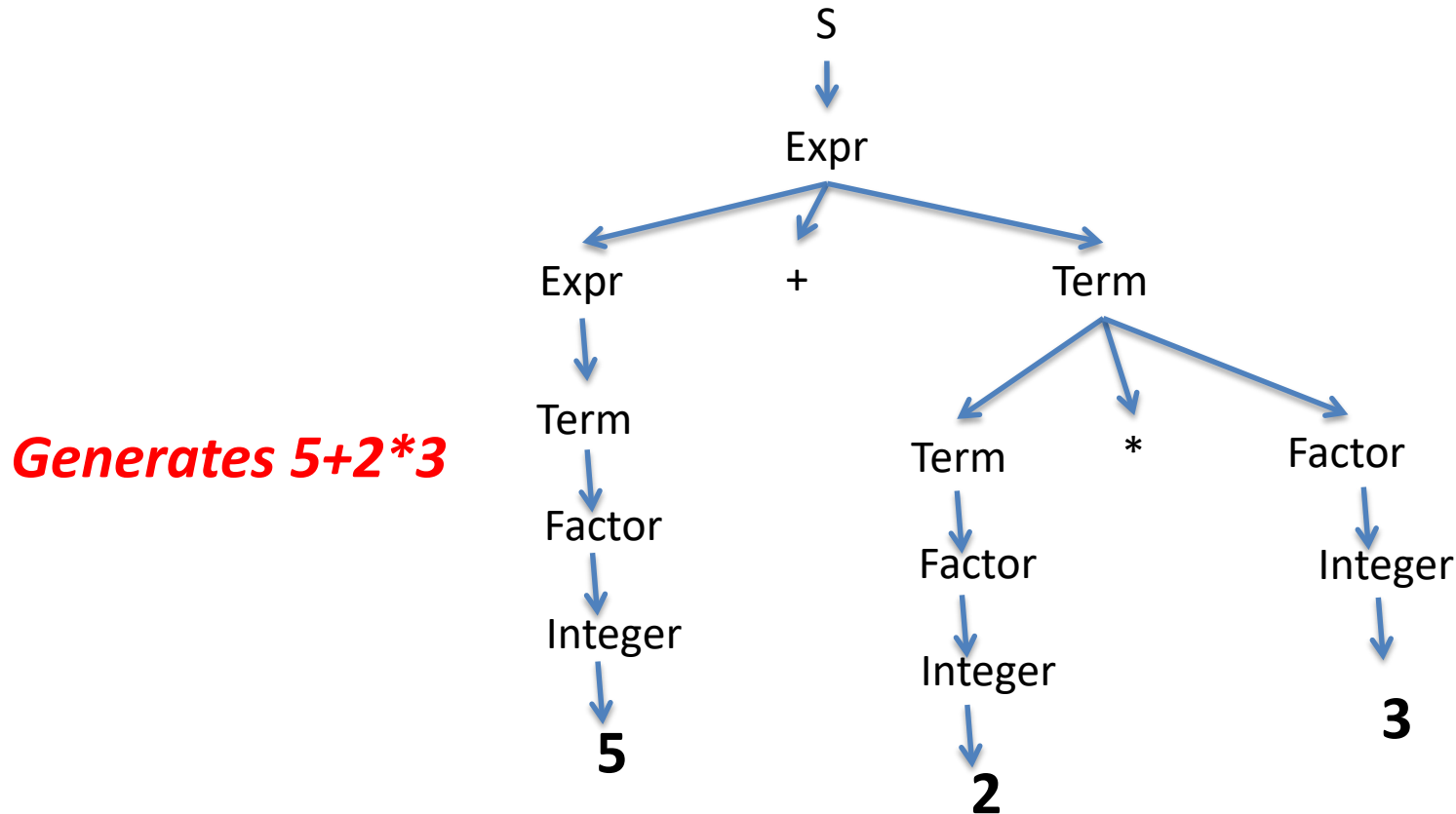
$\text{Digit} := 0 \mid 1 \mid 2 \mid 3 \mid 4 \mid 5 \mid 6 \mid 7 \mid 8 \mid 9$

Rules



**Capture valid inputs by a grammar**

# Derivation of inputs from grammar



**Capture valid inputs by a grammar**

# Cohort Exercise 2

Draw the derivation tree for input  $(23 * 56) / (1.2 + 2)$

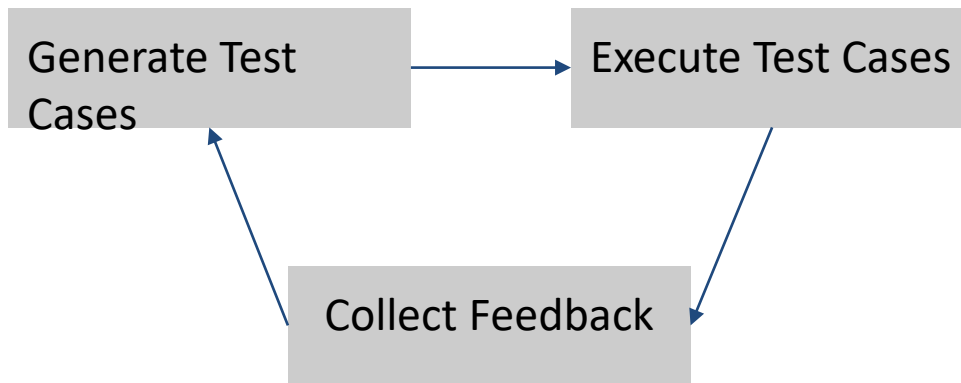
# Cohort Exercise 3

Use any programming language to implement a fuzzer that will randomly generate inputs to the calculator conforming to the grammar. **For now, you can hardcode the expression grammar.**

**Hint:** Start with the initial rule  $S := \text{Expr}$  and at each point, apply a rule at random. For example, randomly choose any of the rule  $\text{Expr} := \text{Term}$ ,  $\text{Expr} := \text{Expr} + \text{Term}$  or  $\text{Expr} - \text{Term}$  in the next step. Continue until a valid expression for the calculator is obtained. **Make sure you do not expand the rules forever to avoid infinite loop.**

calculator-grammar-fuzzing.\*

# Feedback-based Fuzzing



The idea is to tune the test case generation problem into an optimization problem.

## Example

AFL (American Fuzz Lop) is a well-known fuzzer which is responsible for finding significant software bugs in dozens of major free software projects, including PHP, OpenSSL, Firefox, etc.

<http://lcamtuf.coredump.cx/afl/>

# Collect Feedback

One way to measure the effectiveness of a set of test cases is code coverage criteria.

We can instruct the program to collect coverage measurement. For instance, for branch coverage, we instructment each branch so as to know whether it is covered by a test case.

## Example

```
int func (int[] B, int N) {  
    int i = 0;  
    int s = 0;  
    if ( i != N) {  
        //print: "branch coverage";  
        i = i+1;  
        s = s +B[i];  
    }  
    return s;  
}
```



# Code Instrumentation

## Useful for

- Code coverage measurement
- Memory and performance profiling and runtime tracing
- Runtime verification

## Considerations

- Runtime overhead

There are existing tools for systematic code instrumentation (e.g., Soot).

# Cohort Exercise 4

Assume that we need to instrument the code on the right to obtain statement coverage measure.

Instrument the code in a way such that we can obtain the statement coverage of any test case while keeping the overhead minimum.

```
public static void foo () {  
    Float yesterday=WellHouseInput.readNumber();  
    float today=WellHouseInput.readNumber();  
    if (yesterday > today) {  
        System.out.println("something");  
    }  
    else {  
        if (yesterday != today) {  
            System.out.println("something");  
        }  
        else {  
            System.out.println("something");  
        }  
    }  
}
```

# Collect Feedback: Crash Detection

If you cannot accurately determine when a program has crashed, you will not be able to identify a test case as triggering a bug.

- Attach a debugger: most accurate, significantly overhead
- Runtime-monitoring through code instrumentation: e.g. AddressSanitizer
- Timeout: to know whether a deadlock or infinite loop has been triggered.

## Example

```
void func (char *str) {  
    char buff[12];  
    //add: if (strlen(str) > 12)  
    //      printf("overflow")  
    strcpy(buff, str);  
}
```

# Generate New Test Cases

The fuzzer gradually evolves a set of test cases that improves code coverage.

## Example:

Genetic Algorithms

Simulated Annealing

## History

Genetic Algorithms were invented to mimic some of the processes observed in natural evolution.

The idea with GA is to use this power of evolution to solve optimization problems.

The father of the original Genetic Algorithm was John Holland who invented it in the early 1970's.

# Genetic Algorithm

## Overall Idea

GAs simulate the survival of the fittest among individuals over consecutive generation for solving a problem.

Each generation consists of a population of test inputs that are analogous to the chromosome that we see in our DNA.

Each individual represents a point in a search space and a possible solution. The individuals in the population are then made to go through a process of evolution.

## Algorithm

```
randomly initialize population(t)
determine fitness of population(t)
Repeat
    select parents from population(t);
    perform crossover for population(t+1)
    perform mutation of population(t+1)
    determine fitness of population(t+1)
until best individual is good enough
```

Example: GA directory

# Genetic Algorithm

## Selection Operator

- key idea: give preference to better individuals, allowing them to pass on their genes to the next generation.
- The goodness of each individual depends on its fitness.

## Example:

```
static int getFitness(Individual individual) {  
    int fitness = 0;  
    for (int i = 0; i < individual.size(); i++) {  
        fitness += Math.abs(individual.getGene(i) - solution[i]);  
    }  
    return fitness;  
}
```

The fitness is defined based on the accumulated difference of each character.

# Genetic Algorithm

## Crossover Operator

- Two individuals are chosen from the population through the selection operator.
- The values of the two individuals are exchanged.
- The new offspring created from this mating are put into the next generation of the population.

## Example:

```
private static Individual crossover(Individual indiv1,
Individual indiv2) {
    Individual newSol = new Individual();
    for (int i = 0; i < indiv1.size(); i++) {
        if (Math.random() <= uniformRate) {
            newSol.setGene(i, indiv1.getGene(i));
        } else {
            newSol.setGene(i, indiv2.getGene(i));
        }
    }
    return newSol;
}
```

The offspring is a random combination of the parents.

# Genetic Algorithm

## Mutation Operator

- With some probability, a portion of the new individuals will have some of their genes mutated.
- Its purpose is to maintain diversity within the population and inhibit premature convergence.
- Mutation alone induces a random walk through the search space.

## Example:

```
private static void mutate(Individual indiv) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < indiv.size(); i++) {  
        if (Math.random() <= mutationRate) {  
            Random r = new Random();  
            char c = (char)(r.nextInt(95) + 32);  
            indiv.setGene(i, c);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Pick a random gene and mutate it randomly.



# Cohort Exercise 5

1. Study the implementation of the Genetic Algorithm provided.
2. Modify the provided genetic algorithm so that it generates any palindrome string with 64 characters.
  - How do you define the fitness function?
  - How do you define the selection/crossover/mutation operator?

# Cohort Exercise 6

Apply EvoSuite to generate test cases class.

Download

<https://github.com/EvoSuite/evosuite/releases/download/v1.0.6/evosuite-1.0.6.jar>

Add it to your project building path

Run Test.java

# Cohort Exercise 7

Write two example classes both of which have the same number of conditional branches as the Example.java, however, one of them is easier to test and the other is harder to test as compared to Example.java.

1. Compare the performance of Evosuite for both the examples (the one in the previous example and the ones you come up with in this exercise). Concretely, compare the conditional branch coverage and the average coverage over all coverage criteria. Also compare the time taken for Evosuite for all cases.
2. Argue why your examples takes less/more time (they should!!!!) to test as compared to Example.java.

# White-Box Fuzzing

Fuzzing is a form of random testing, which has its limitations.

Fuzzing is likely to find the bug in the following code.

```
public static void example(int x, int y) {  
    int[] array = new int[10];  
    array[x] = y; //x must be [0..9]  
}
```

Fuzzing is unlikely to find the bug in the following code.

```
public static void example(int x, int y) {  
    int[] array = new int[10];  
  
    if (y == 42342531) {  
        array[x] = y; //x must be [0..9]  
    }  
}
```

# We Do Logical Reasoning

```
public static void example(int x, int y) {  
    int[] array = new int[10];  
  
    if (x > 0) {  
        assert(x >= 0);  
        Array[x] = 5; (x > 9 && x > 0) || (x < 0 && x > 0)  
    }  
}
```



Will assertion failure  
occur?

# We Do Logical Reasoning

```
public static void func (int x, int y) {
```

```
0. int[] array = new array [10];
```

```
1. if (x>y) {
```

```
2.     x = x + y;
```

```
3.     y = x - y;
```

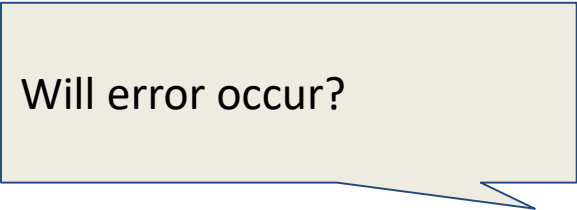
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4.     x = x - y;
```

```
5.     if (x-y>0) {
```

```
6.         array[10]=0;
```

```
7.     }
```

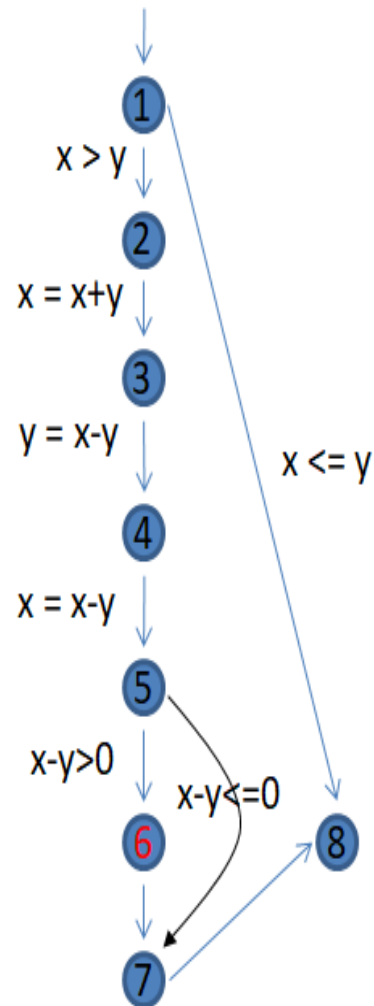
```
8. }
```



Will error occur?

# We Do Logical Reasoning

```
public static void func (int x, int y) {  
0. int[] array = new array [10];  
1. if (x>y) {  
2.     x = x + y;  
3.     y = x - y;  
4.     x = x - y;  
5.     if (x-y>0) {  
6.         array[10]=0;  
7.     }  
8. }
```



# We Do Logical Reasoning

Error occurs if and only if the following path condition is satisfiable:

$x_1 > y_1 \ \&\&$

$x_2 = x_1 \ \&\& \ y_2 = y_1 \ \&\&$

$x_3 = x_2 + y_2 \ \&\& \ y_3 = y_2 \ \&\&$

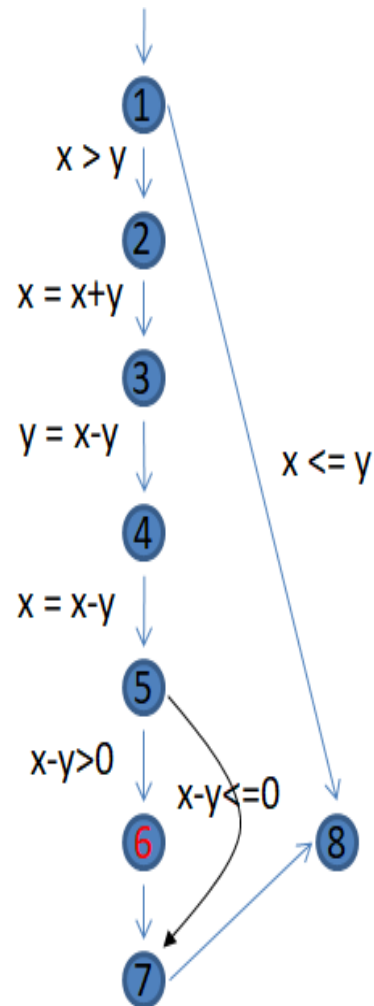
$x_4 = x_3 \ \&\& \ y_4 = x_3 - y_3 \ \&\&$

$x_5 = x_4 - y_4 \ \&\& \ y_5 = y_4 \ \&\&$

$x_5 - y_5 > 0$

*$x_i$  = value of "x" immediately before node "i"*

*$y_i$  = value of "y" immediately before node "i"*





# Constraint Solving

How do we efficiently know whether the following constraint is satisfiable or not?

$x_1 > y_1 \ \&\&$

$x_2 = x_1 \ \&\& \ y_2 = y_1 \ \&\&$

$x_3 = x_2 + y_2 \ \&\& \ y_3 = y_2 \ \&\&$

$x_4 = x_3 \ \&\& \ y_4 = x_3 - y_3 \ \&\&$

$x_5 = x_4 - y_4 \ \&\& \ y_5 = y_4 \ \&\&$

$x_5 - y_5 > 0$

We use automatic  
constraint solvers.

# Exercise

- Go to <https://rise4fun.com/Z3>
- Load logical\_reasoning.z3 in the box and see the result
- Now change the last assertion to enforce  $x5 \leq y5$
- Add `(get-model)` before the `(exit)`
- Discuss the results

# Symbolic Execution

- Rather than executing a program with concrete input value, execute it with symbolic variables representing the inputs.
- Proposed in 1976: “A System to Generate Test Data and Symbolically Execute Programs”, IEEE Transactions on Software Engineering by L. A. Clarke.
- Popularized only in recent years due to advancement in constraint solving techniques.
- Used for white-box fuzzing, e.g. Microsoft SAGE.

# Symbolic Execution Engines

- KLEE based on LLVM
- Pex from Microsoft for .NET
- JPF (Java Path Finder) and JDart for Java programs
- Jalangi2 for JavaScript
- Oyene for smart contracts

# Symbolic Execution Tree

- What is Symbolic Execution
  - Executing a program with un-instantiated values for certain variables
    - E.g. input variables
  - Since some values are un-instantiated the execution is NOT a sequential trace any more
  - The symbolic execution forms a tree where each path from the root of the tree to its leaf corresponds to a unique execution path
    - Symbolic Execution Tree

# Symbolic Execution Tree

- Purpose of Symbolic Execution
  - Provided enough time, it can explore all execution paths of a program
    - Often infeasible in practice.

test\_sym.c

# Exercise

- Download and install Virtualbox and Load the virtual machine
  - User name: side\_channel
  - Password: cache\_channel
- Run KLEE
  - Open a terminal and go to the folder 50.003.
  - Run *llvm-gcc -emit-llvm -o test\_simple.bc -c test\_simple.c*
  - Run *klee -write-smt2s test\_simple.bc*
  - Investigate klee-last/test000\*.smt2

# Symbolic Execution: Limitation

## Path Explosion

```
int x = input();
while (x > 0) {
    x++;
    assert(x < Integer.MAX_VALUE);
}
```

## How do we handle loops?

- check all paths which reach the assertion in one iteration.
- ... in two iterations.
- ... in three iterations.

## When does it end?

(Typical solution: we check up to certain number of iterations, or we find out somehow all possible x values).



# Symbolic Execution: Limitation

## Incompleteness

```
public static void func (int x, int y, int z) {  
    if (x*x*x*x + y*y*y < z*z) {  
        assert(false);  
    }  
}
```

## SMT solver is no magic

- Existing SMT solvers supports theories on linear integer arithmetic, bit vectors, string, etc.
- Existing SMT solvers are not particularly scalable or efficient for certain theories.

# Homework

- Implement a generalized fuzzer that will take a file, read each line of the file, randomly choose a mutation operator (swap, bit flip or trim) and produce a different file with the modified lines. This means for each input file, the fuzzer will produce one output file, where each line is modified with a random mutation operator. Choose any programming language. Make your program modular so that more mutation operators can be added easily.

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