



# Hybrid Differential Software Testing

Disputation

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# Software Engineering

”systematic application of scientific and technological knowledge, methods, and experience to the design, implementation, **testing**, and documentation of software”

[IEEE2017]

Software Quality  
Assurance

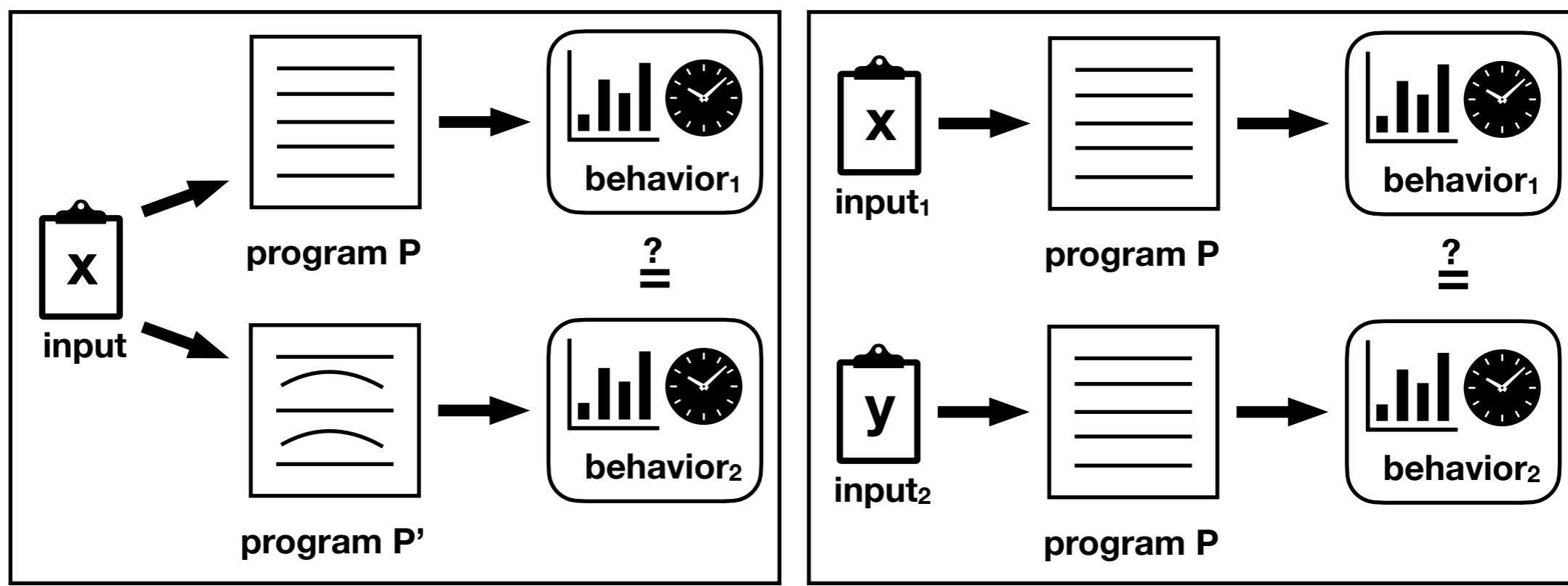


# Software Testing



[Orso2014]

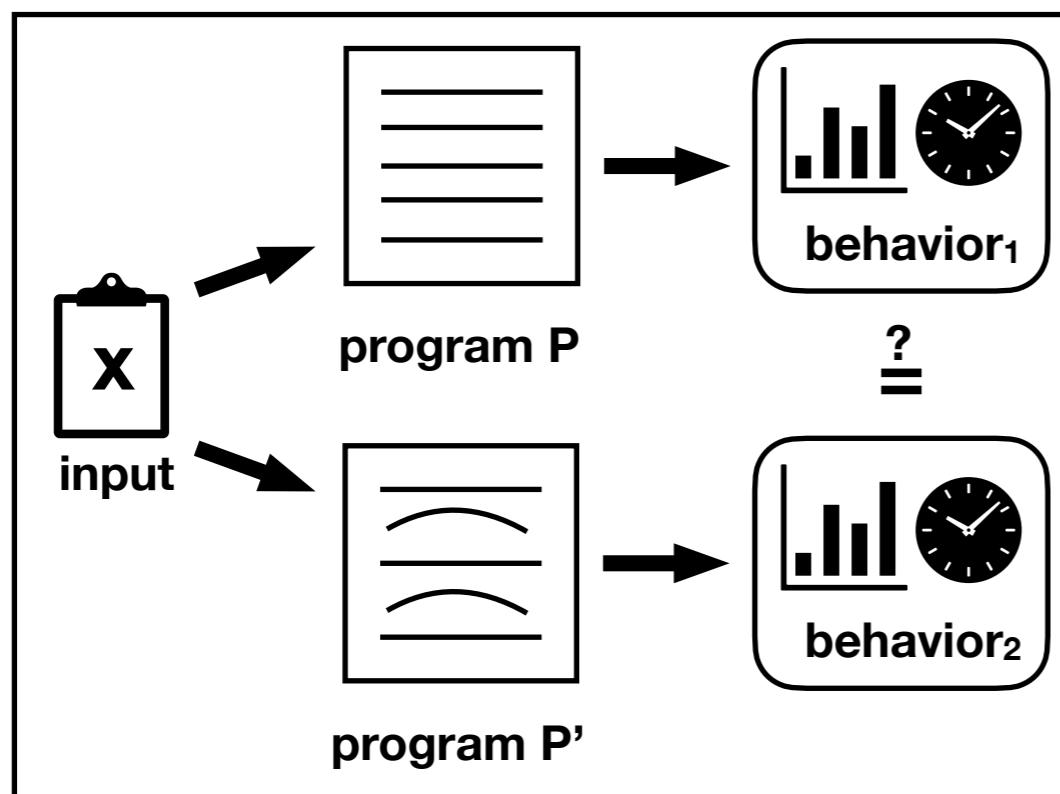
# Differential Software Testing



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# Differential Software Testing



between **two program versions**  
for the **same input**  
→ **software maintenance**

Regression Analysis

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# Regression Analysis

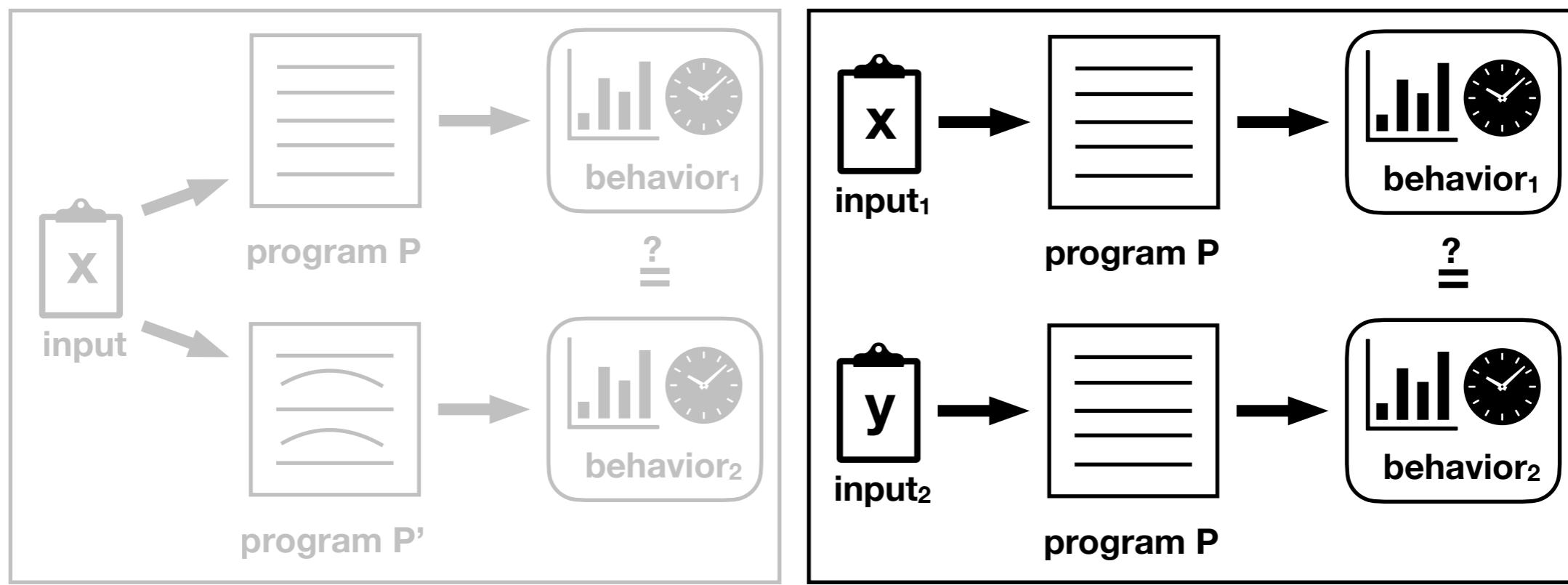
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1 int foo (int x) {  
2     int y;  
3     if (x < 0) {  
4-         y = -x;  
4+         y = x * x;  
5     } else {  
6         y = 2 * x;  
7     }  
8+     y = y + 1;  
9     if (y > 1) {  
10         return 0;  
11     } else {  
12         if (y == 1)  
13             assert(false);  
14     }  
15     return 1;  
16 }
```

**Fixed assertion error  
for  $x=-1$  (returns 0).**

Are there unintended  
**behavioral** differences  
between the two  
versions?

**introduced new  
assertion error  
for  $x=0$   
(previously returned 1)**  
→ **Regression Bug**

# Differential Software Testing



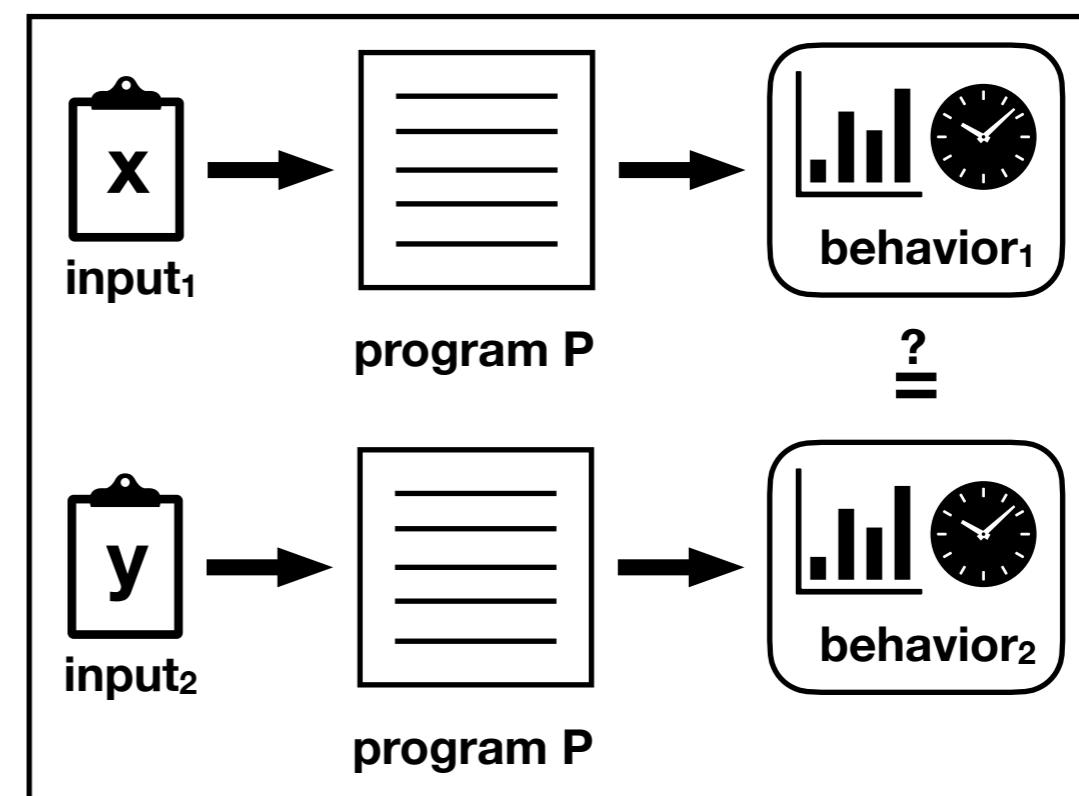
# Differential Software Testing

for the **same program** with  
**two different inputs**  
→ *security, reliability*

Worst-Case Complexity  
Analysis

Side-Channel Analysis

Robustness Analysis of  
Neural Networks



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# Worst-Case Complexity Analysis

**Goal:** discover vulnerabilities related to  
algorithmic complexity

```
0 public void sort (int[] a) {  
1     int N = a.length;  
2     for (int i = 1; i < N; i++) {  
3         int j = i - 1;  
4         int x = a[i];  
5         while ((j >= 0) && (a[j] > x)) {  
6             a[j + 1] = a[j];  
7             j--;  
8         }  
9         a[j + 1] = x;  
10    }  
11 }
```



find worst-case input:  
automated + fast + concrete

- worst-case complexity:  
 $O(n^2)$
- e.g.  $a=[8, 7, 6]$  ( $n=3$ )

Insertion Sort

# Side-Channel Analysis

- leakage of **secret** information
- **software** side-channels
- **observables:**
  - execution time,
  - memory consumption,
  - response size,
  - ...

# Example: Side-Channel Vulnerability

```
0 boolean pwcheck_unsafe (byte[] pub, byte[] sec) {
1     if (pub.length != sec.length) {
2         return false;
3     }
4     for (int i = 0; i < pub.length; i++) {
5         if (pub[i] != sec[i]) {
6             return false;
7         }
8     }
9     return true;
10 }
```

## Unsafe Password Checking

# Robustness Analysis of Neural Networks

**Goal:** identify adversarial inputs or check how amenable the network is for adversarial inputs

[Pei2017]

adversarial input

- **hardly** perceptible perturbations
- **large** impact on network's output



all:diver



IMG\_C1:ski



all:cheeseburger



IMG\_C2:icecream



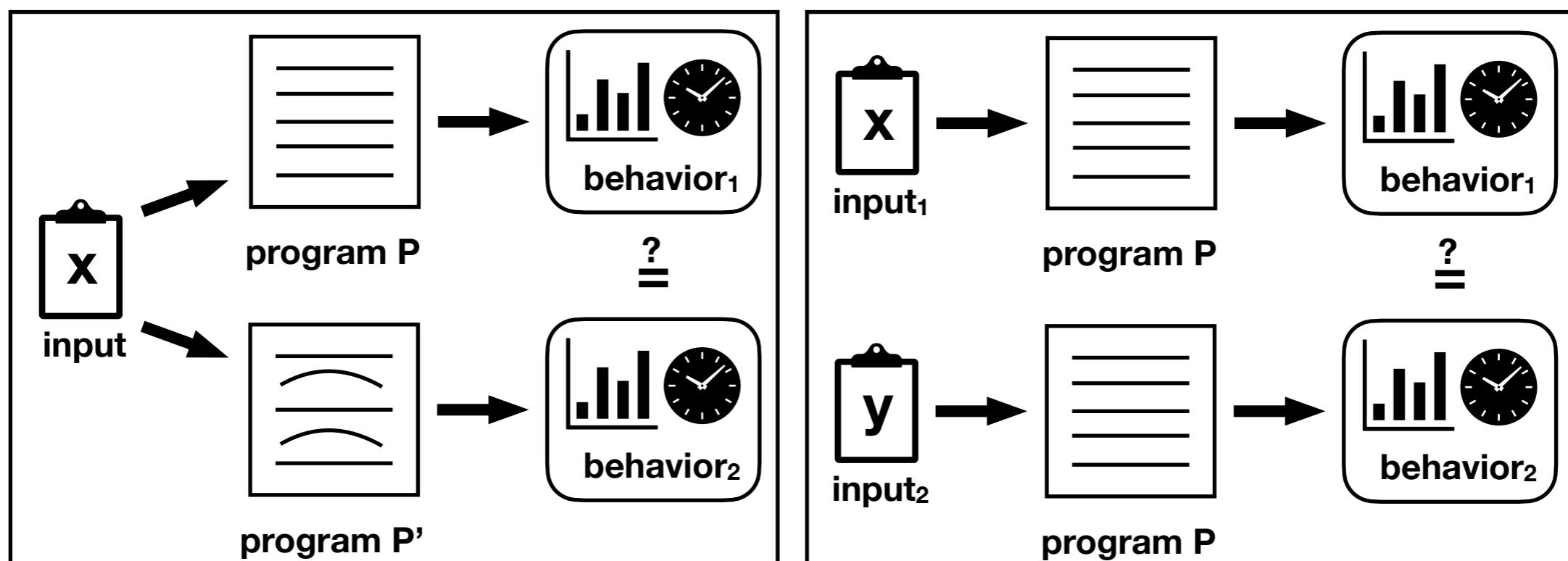
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IMG\_C3:goldfish

# (My) Research Problem

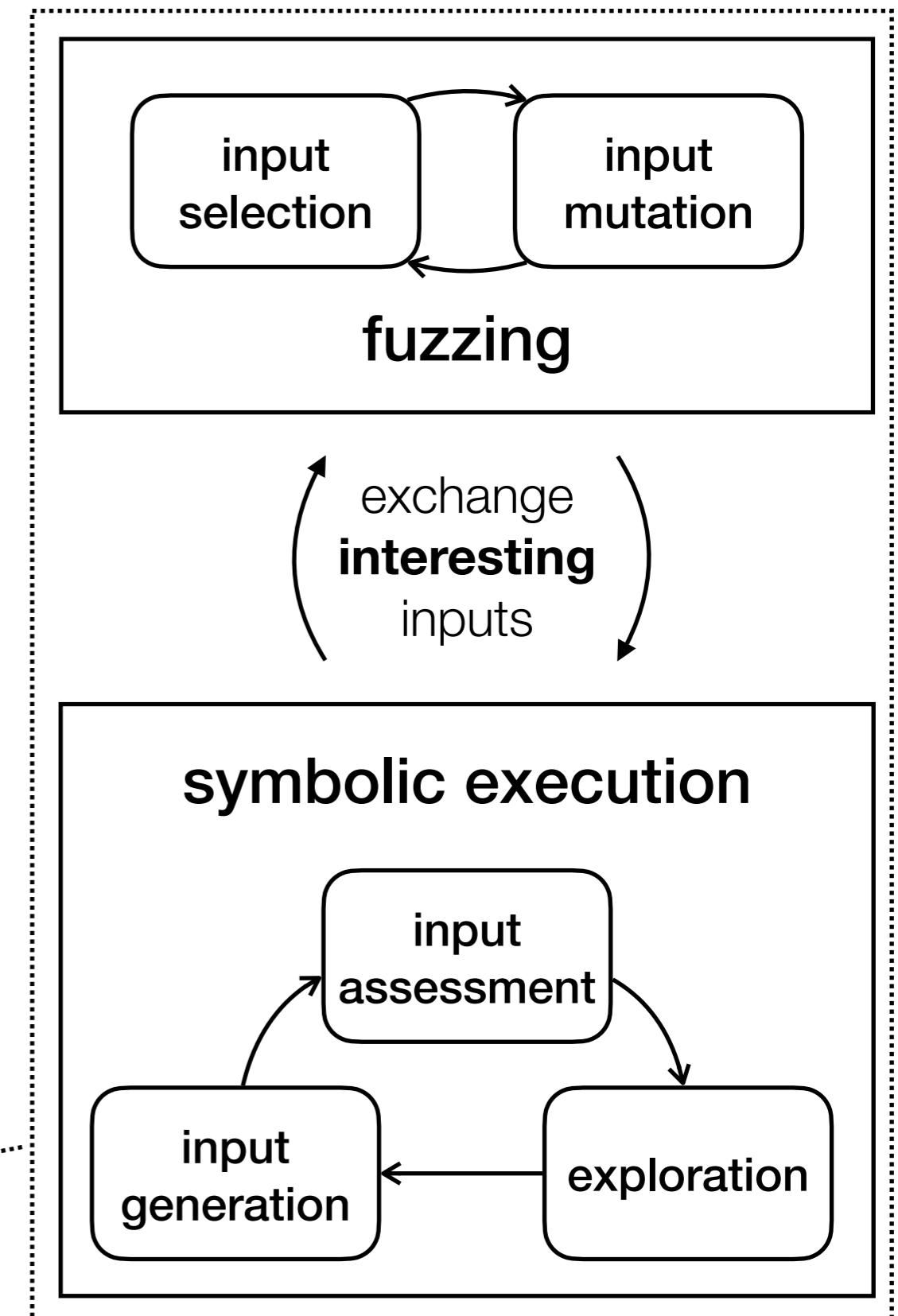
→ identify behavioral differences



# Core Contributions

- (1) the concept of differential fuzzing
- (2) the concept of differential dynamic symbolic execution
- (3) the concept of hybrid analysis in differential program analysis
- (4) the concept of a hybrid setup for applying fuzzing and symbolic execution in parallel

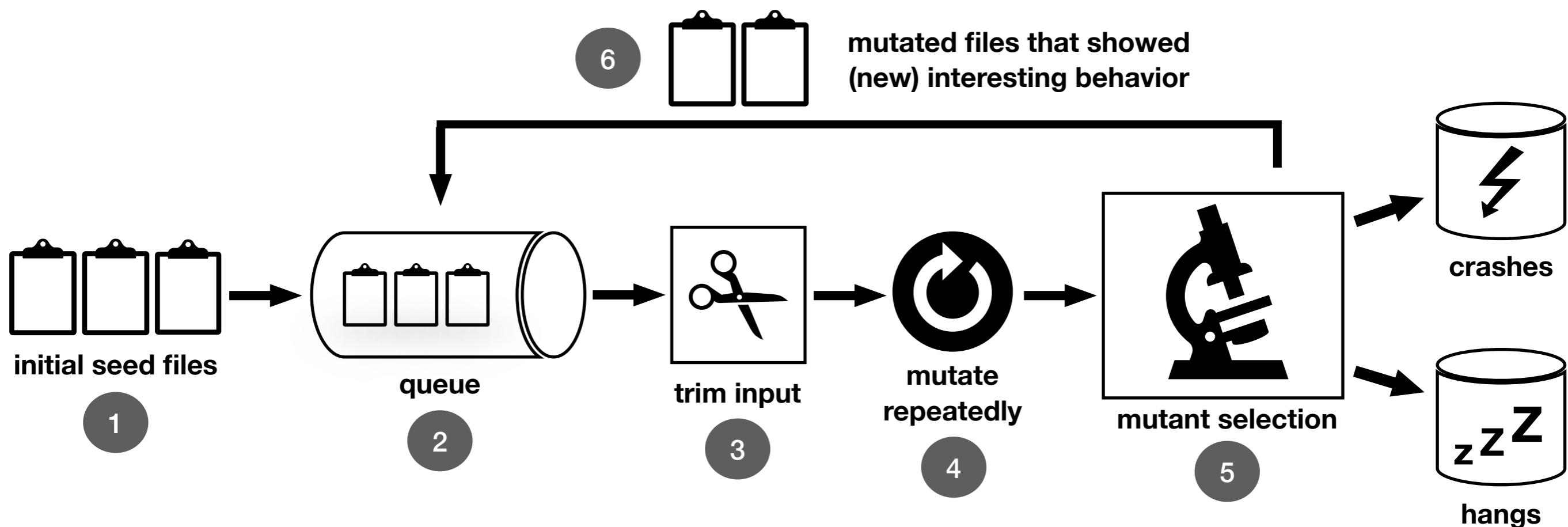
**HyDiff**



# Fuzzing

- term **fuzzing** was coined by Miller et al. in 1990, when they used a random testing tool to investigate the reliability of UNIX tools [Miller1990]
- classification based on degree of program analysis
  - blackbox / greybox / whitebox fuzzing
- classification based on generation technique
  - search-based fuzzing
  - generative fuzzing
- **state-of-the-art** in vulnerability detection:  
coverage-based, mutational fuzzing

# Coverage-Based Mutational Fuzzing



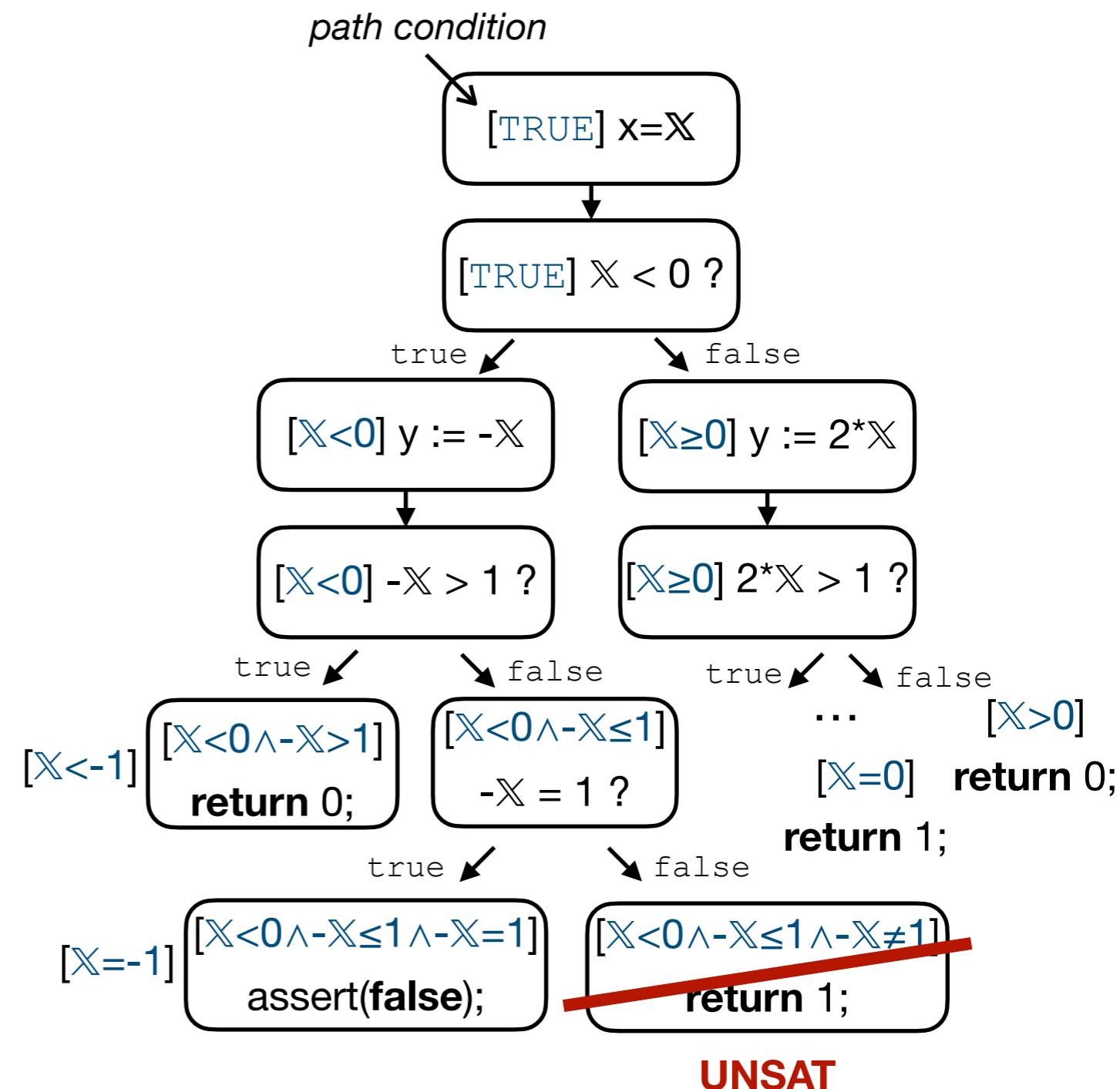
# Symbolic Execution

- introduced by King, Clarke, and Boyer et al. [King1976] [Clarke1976] [Boyer1975]
- analysis of programs with **unspecified inputs**, i.e. execute a program with **symbolic** inputs
- for each path, build a **path condition**

# Example: Symbolic Execution

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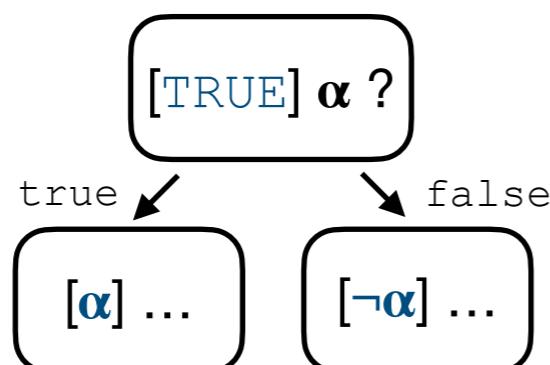
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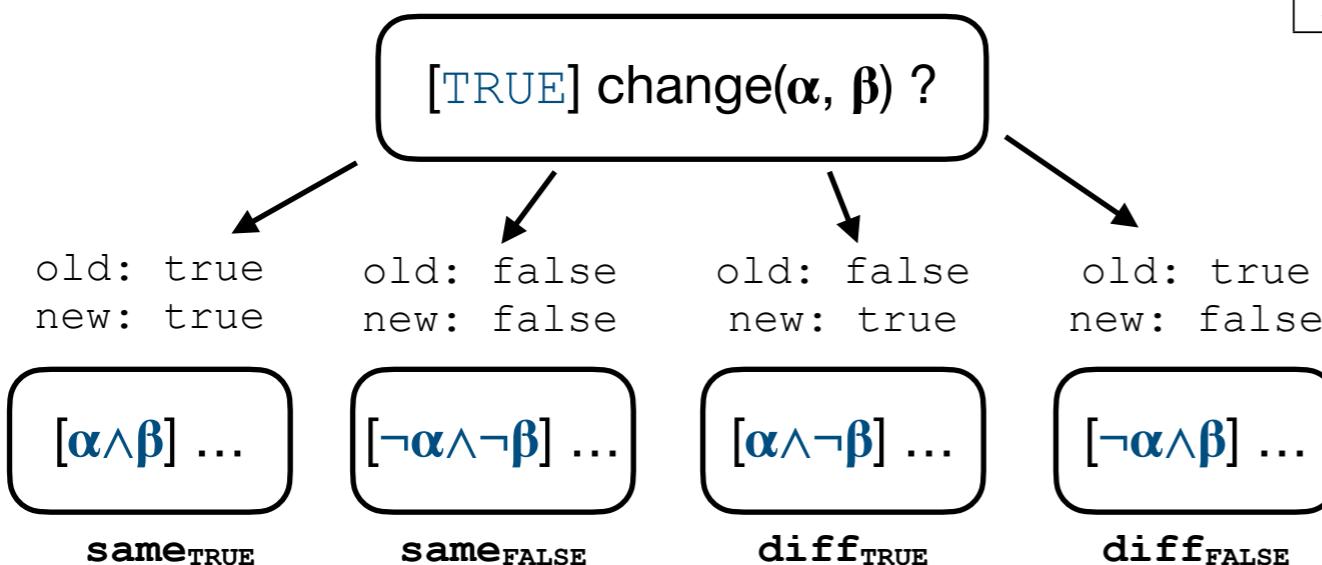
# Shadow Symbolic Execution

[Palikareva2016]

## Two-way Forking



## Four-way Forking

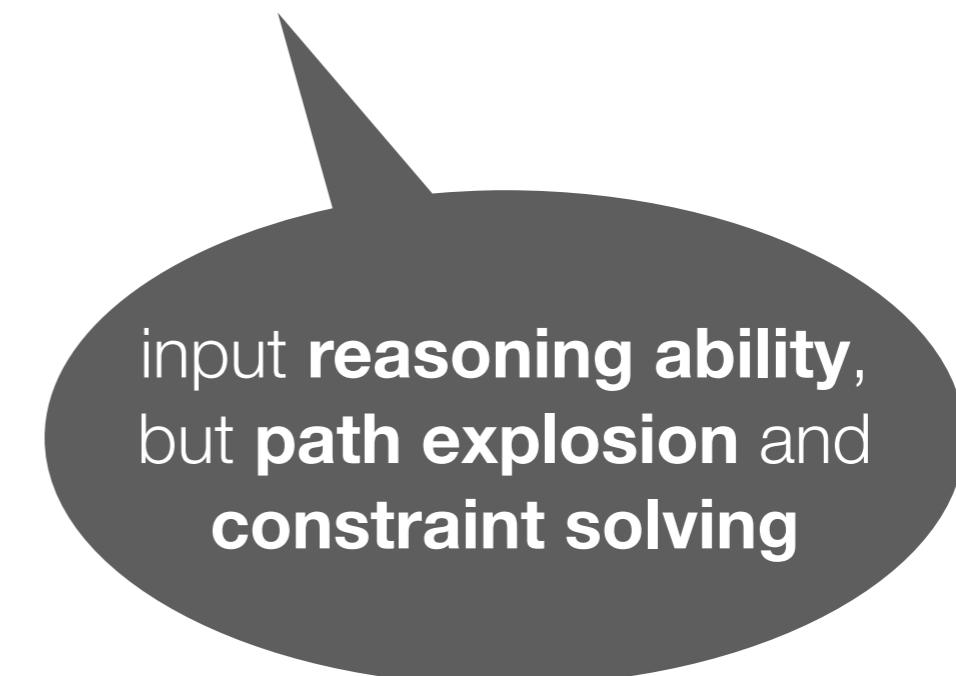


Change Type	Example
Update assignment	<code>x = x + change(E1, E2);</code>
Update condition	<code>if(change(E1, E2)) ...</code>
Add extra assignment	<code>x = change(x, E);</code>
Remove assignment	<code>x = change(E, x);</code>
Add conditional	<code>if(change(false, C)) ...</code>
Remove conditional	<code>if(change(C, false)) ...</code>
Remove code	<code>if(change(true, false)) ...</code>
Add code	<code>if(change(false, true)) ...</code>

# Why combine Fuzzing and Symbolic Execution?



**good** in finding **shallow** bugs, but **bad** in finding **deep** program paths

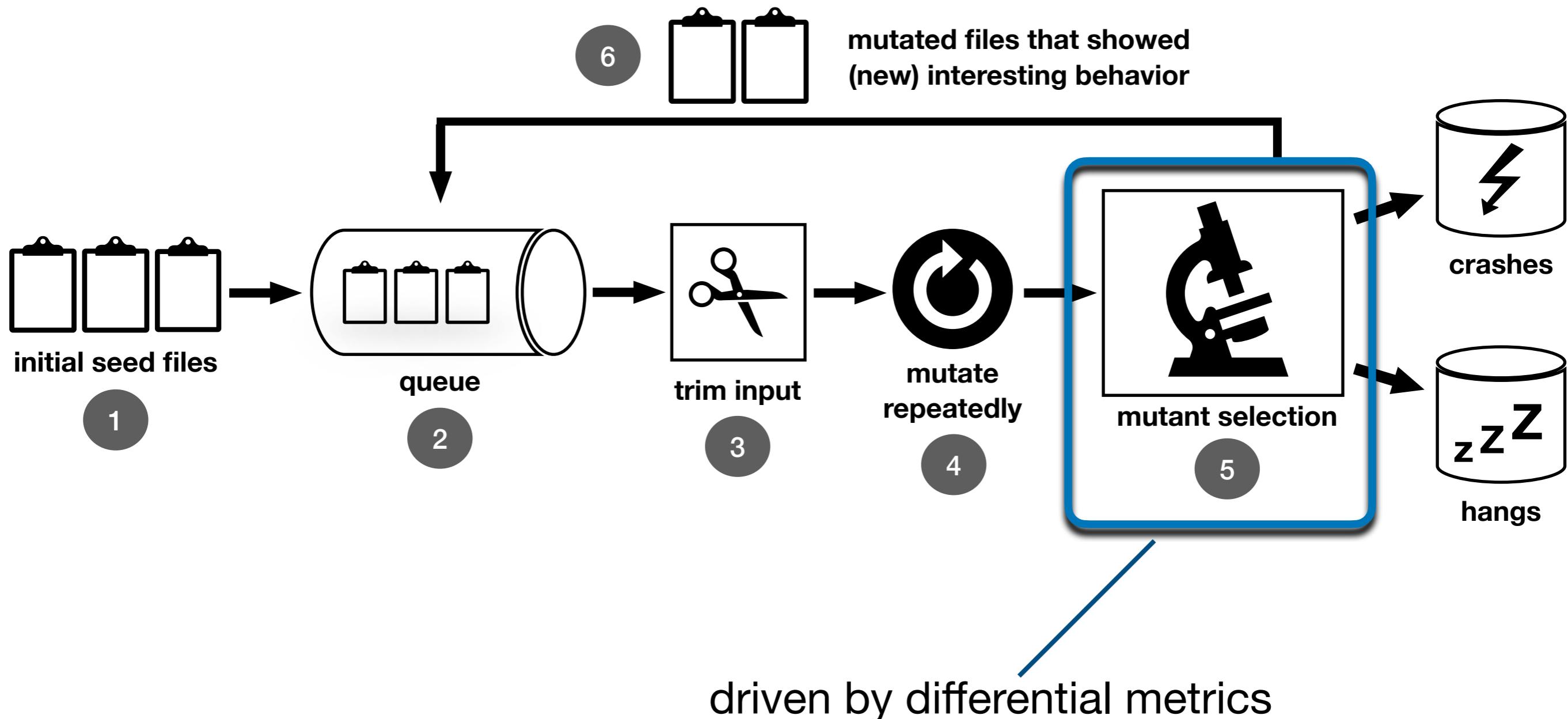


input **reasoning ability**, but **path explosion** and **constraint solving**

# Related Work

- regression analysis  
[Person2008, Person2011,  
Yang2012, Orso2008, Taneja2008]
  - side-channel analysis  
[Antonopoulos2017, Chen2017,  
Pasareanu2016, Brennan2018]
  - worst-case complexity  
analysis  
[Petsios2017, Lemieux2018,  
Burnim2009, Luckow2017]
  - robustness analysis of  
neural networks  
[Ma2018, Pei2017, Sun2018,  
Goodfellow2014, Tian2018]
- **not directed to differential behavior**
- **typical fuzzing problems**
- **exhaustive exploration necessary**
- **abstractions, bounded analysis,  
depend on models**

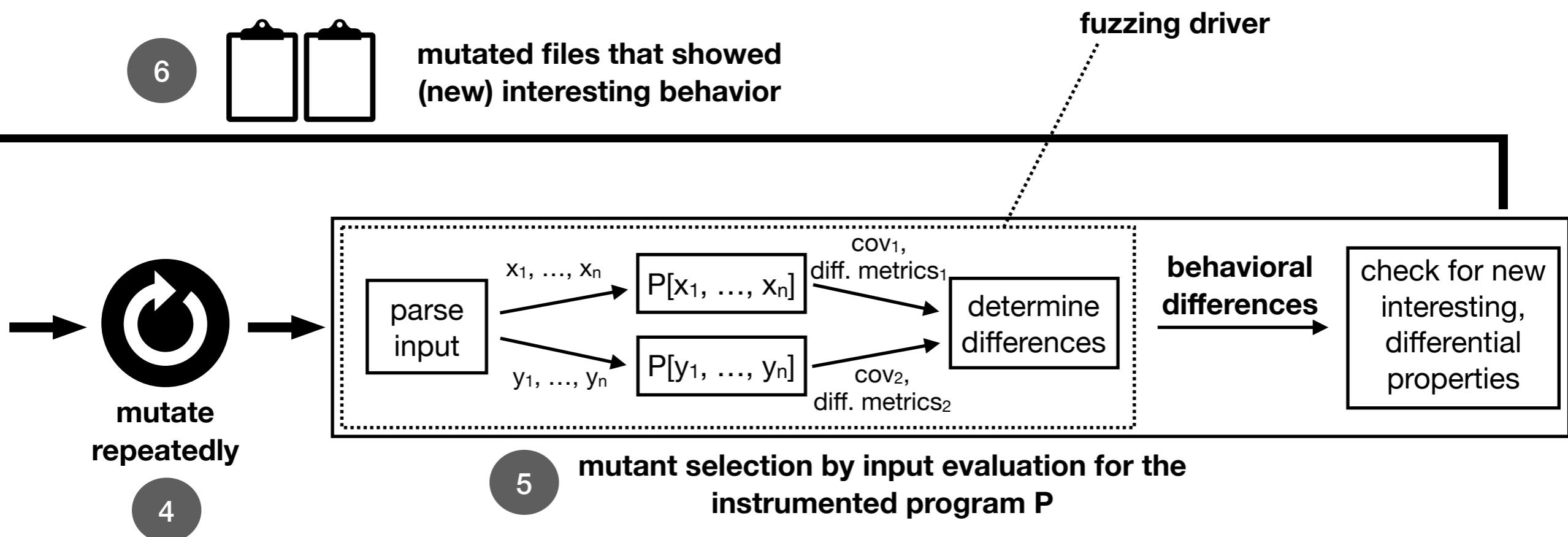
# Differential Fuzzing



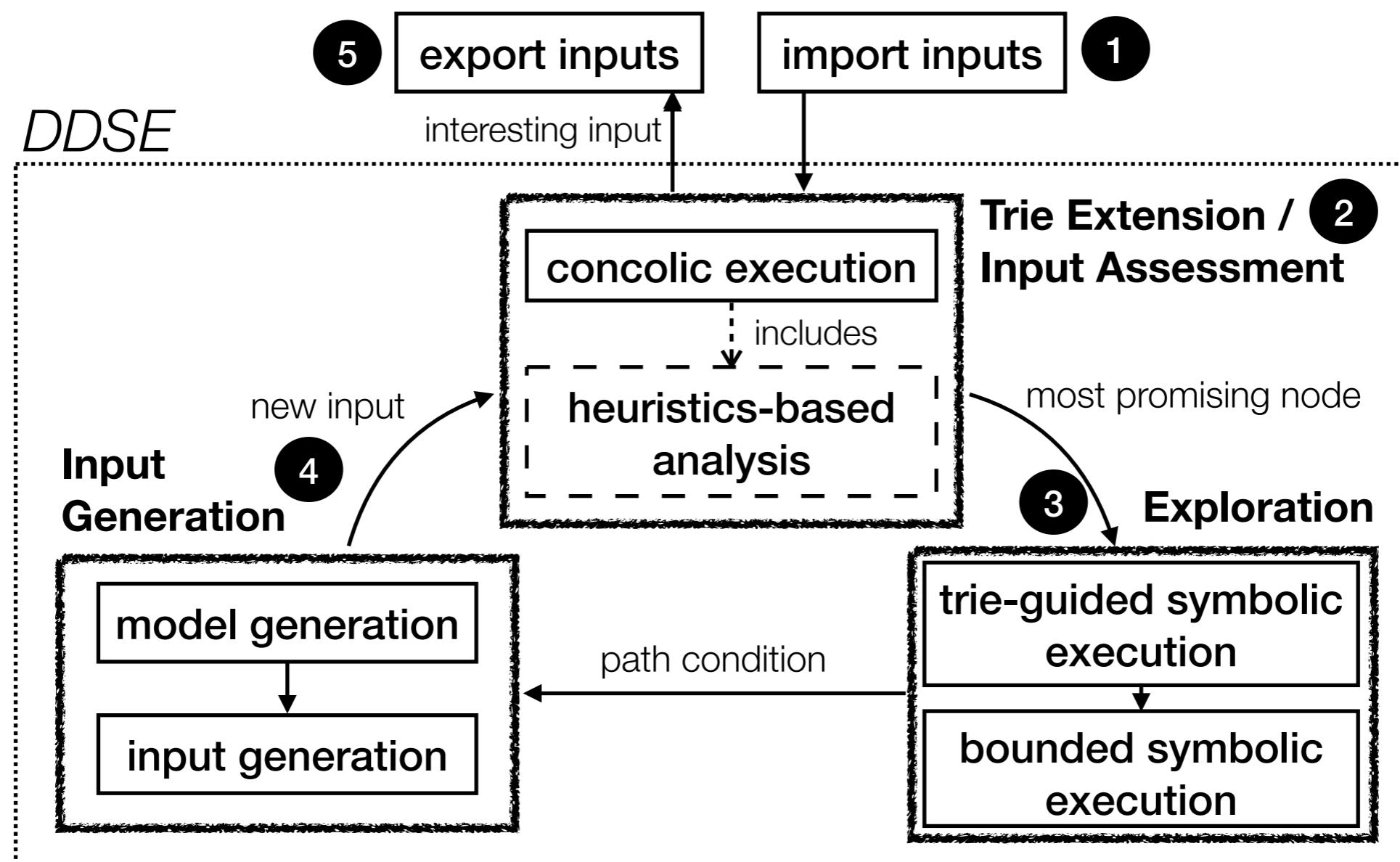
# Differential Metrics

- output difference (odiff)
- decision difference (ddiff)
- cost difference (cdiff)
- patch distance (only for regression testing)

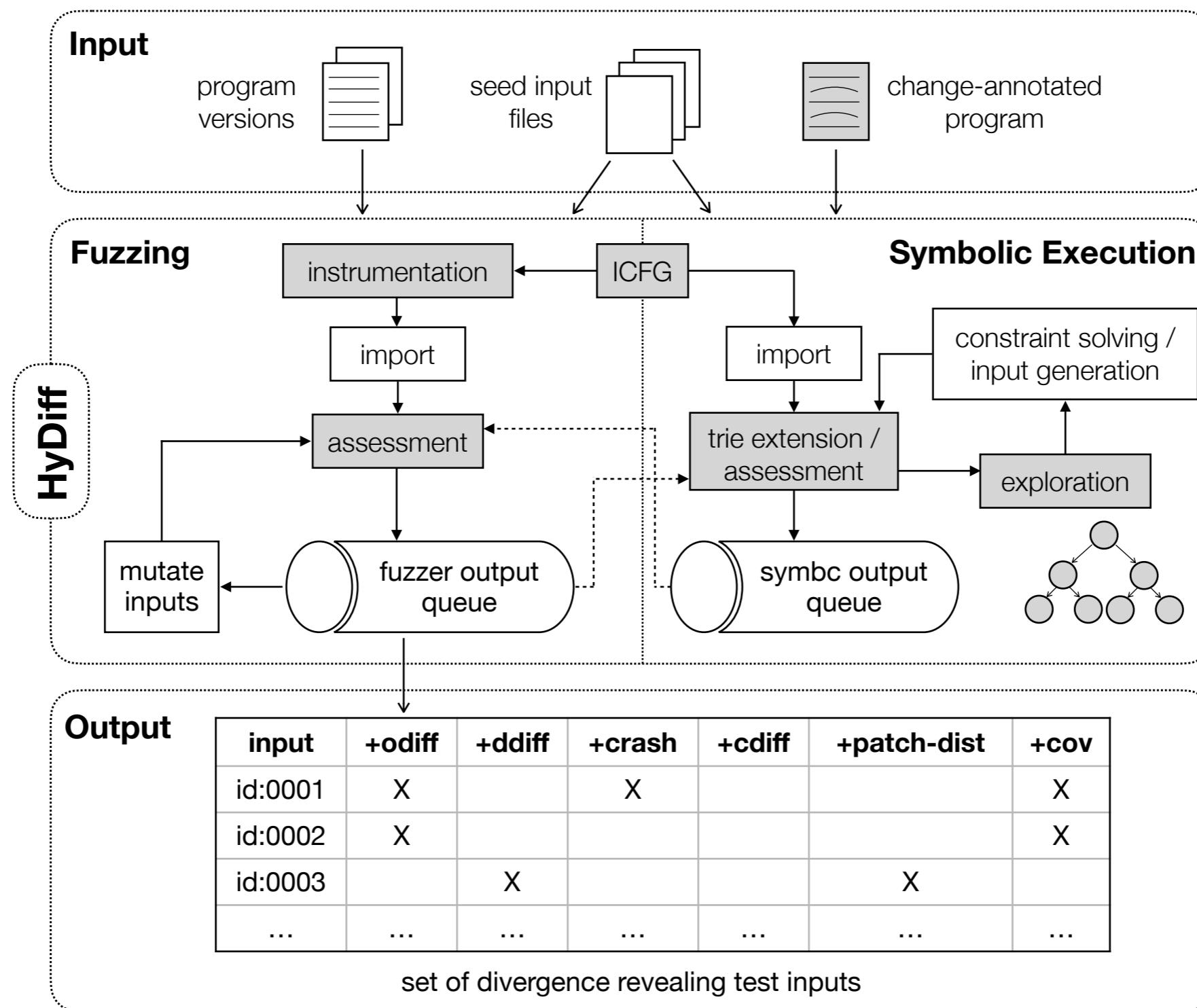
# Differential Fuzzing



# Differential Dynamic SymExe



# HyDiff's overview



# Research Questions

**RQ1:** How good is ***differential fuzzing*** and what are the limitations?

**RQ2:** How good is ***differential dynamic symbolic execution*** and what are the limitations?

**RQ3:** Can the ***hybrid*** approach outperform the single techniques?

**RQ4:** Can the hybrid approach ***not only combine*** the results of fuzzing and symbolic execution, but also ***amplify*** the search itself and generate even better results than each approach on its own?

**RQ5:** Can the proposed hybrid differential software testing approach ***reveal behavioral differences*** in software?

# Evaluation Strategy

Quantitative analysis based on benchmarks in the specific application areas in differential analysis:

A1      Regression Analysis

A2      Worst-Case Complexity  
Analysis

A3      Side-Channel Analysis

A4      Robustness Analysis of  
Neural Networks

# Evaluation Metrics

A1

**Regression Analysis**

A4

**Robustness Analysis of Neural Networks**

A2

**Worst-Case Complexity Analysis**

A3

**Side-Channel Analysis**

- average time to first output difference ( $t + \text{odiff}$ )
  - $t_{\min}$
  - average output differences (#odiff)
  - average decision differences (#ddiff)
- 
- average maximum cost
  - $\text{cost}_{\max}$
  - time to first cost improvement

# Evaluation Infrastructure

What to compare?

Differential Fuzzing (DF)

**Parallel** Differential Fuzzing (PDF)

Differential Dynamic Symbolic Execution (DDSE)

DDSE with **double** time budget (DDSEx2T)

Hybrid Differential Software Testing (HyDiff)

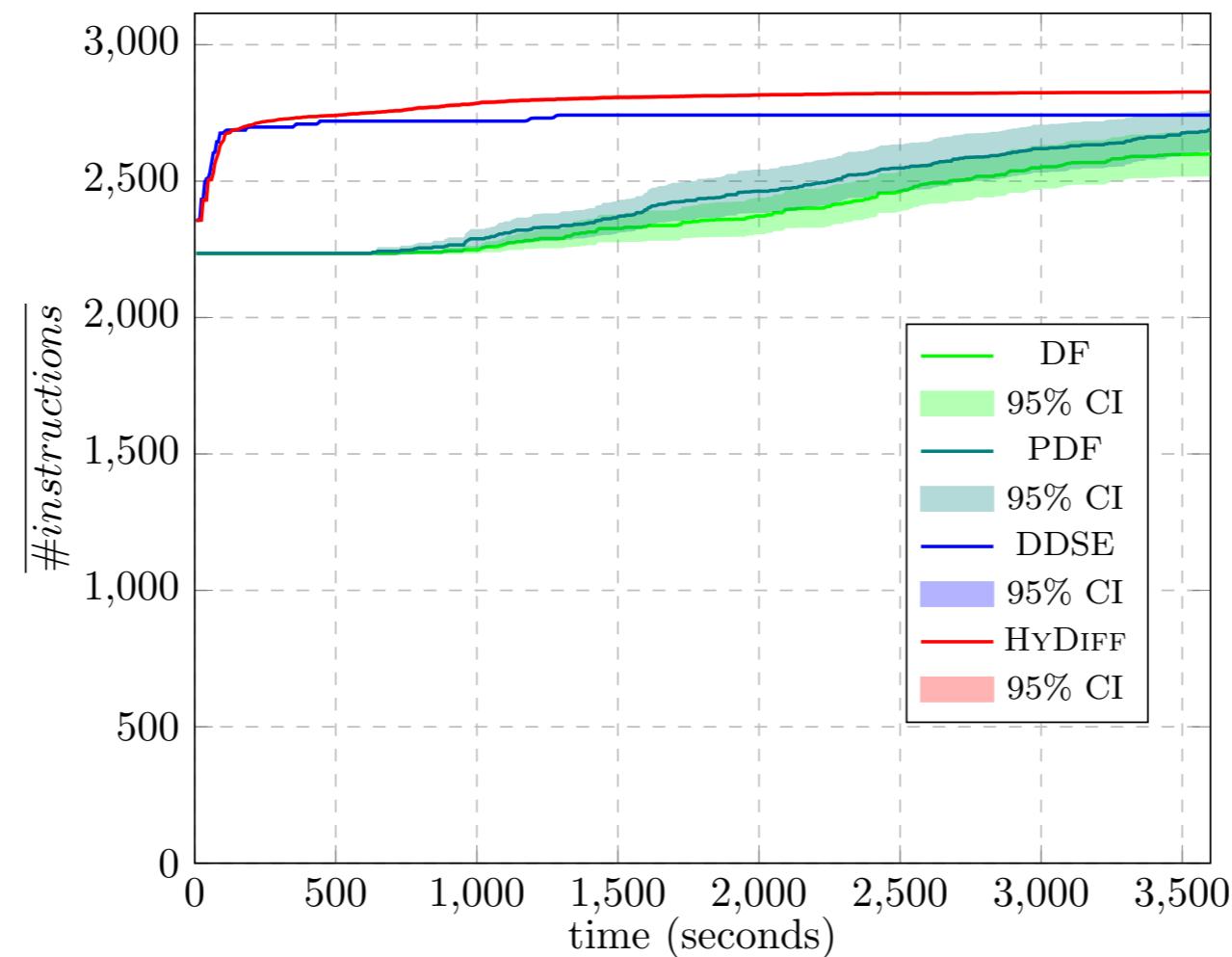
# Regression Analysis

Subject (# changes)	Differential Fuzzing (DF)				Parallel Differential Fuzzing (PDF)				Differential Dynamic Sym. Exec. (DDSE)				DDSE double time budget (DDSEx2T)				HyDiff				
	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff	$\bar{t}$
TCAS-1 (1)	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>20.10</b> ( $\pm 0.14$ )	19	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	3.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>20.10</b> ( $\pm 0.14$ )	19	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	3.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	49.87 ( $\pm 5.48$ )	29	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>4.67</b> ( $\pm 0.40$ )	
TCAS-2 (1)	441.83 ( $\pm 57.70$ )	120	0.70 ( $\pm 0.23$ )	2.13 ( $\pm 0.73$ )	335.93 ( $\pm 58.24$ )	16	1.57 ( $\pm 0.33$ )	5.40 ( $\pm 1.29$ )	<b>170.07</b> ( $\pm 0.32$ )	168	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	9.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>170.07</b> ( $\pm 0.32$ )	168	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	9.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	186.87 ( $\pm 12.30$ )	92	1.23 ( $\pm 0.18$ )	<b>13.83</b> ( $\pm 0.37$ )	
TCAS-3 (1)	588.43 ( $\pm 15.18$ )	392	0.10 ( $\pm 0.11$ )	38.63 ( $\pm 1.96$ )	531.87 ( $\pm 30.90$ )	295	0.67 ( $\pm 0.27$ )	55.53 ( $\pm 2.18$ )	<b>230.37</b> ( $\pm 0.52$ )	228	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	19.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>230.37</b> ( $\pm 0.52$ )	228	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	19.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	263.20 ( $\pm 3.61$ )	236	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	57.43 ( $\pm 1.54$ )	
TCAS-4 (1)	28.47 ( $\pm 10.42$ )	2	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	18.27 ( $\pm 1.06$ )	<b>9.27</b> ( $\pm 3.34$ )	1	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	24.10 ( $\pm 1.24$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	3.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	3.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	43.70 ( $\pm 14.01$ )	3	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	22.53 ( $\pm 1.01$ )	
TCAS-5 (1)	184.93 ( $\pm 46.66$ )	24	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	31.97 ( $\pm 1.06$ )	79.77 ( $\pm 21.40$ )	3	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	40.00 ( $\pm 1.73$ )	173.40 ( $\pm 0.34$ )	171	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	23.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	173.40 ( $\pm 0.34$ )	171	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	23.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	94.60 ( $\pm 30.72$ )	1	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>49.83</b> ( $\pm 1.27$ )	
TCAS-6 (1)	233.63 ( $\pm 54.48$ )	4	0.97 ( $\pm 0.06$ )	4.13 ( $\pm 0.83$ )	114.63 ( $\pm 37.12$ )	15	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	9.50 ( $\pm 0.98$ )	<b>4.73</b> ( $\pm 0.16$ )	4	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	6.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>4.73</b> ( $\pm 0.16$ )	4	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	6.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	7.57 ( $\pm 0.26$ )	6	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	10.37 ( $\pm 0.70$ )	
TCAS-7 (1)	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	581.60 ( $\pm 28.73$ )	164	0.07 ( $\pm 0.09$ )	0.27 ( $\pm 0.36$ )	73.50 ( $\pm 0.20$ )	72	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	6.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	73.50 ( $\pm 0.20$ )	72	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	6.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>71.70</b> ( $\pm 1.71$ )	62	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>8.93</b> ( $\pm 0.39$ )	
TCAS-8 (1)	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	78.73 ( $\pm 1.24$ )	75	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	6.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	78.73 ( $\pm 1.24$ )	75	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	6.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>65.33</b> ( $\pm 0.75$ )	61	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>8.77</b> ( $\pm 0.49$ )	
TCAS-9 (1)	221.73 ( $\pm 48.83$ )	10	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	6.13 ( $\pm 0.85$ )	<b>109.73</b> ( $\pm 28.35$ )	4	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	9.37 ( $\pm 0.44$ )	148.57 ( $\pm 1.76$ )	143	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	15.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	148.57 ( $\pm 1.76$ )	143	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	15.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	185.53 ( $\pm 18.42$ )	39	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>22.37</b> ( $\pm 0.89$ )	
TCAS-10 (2)	173.47 ( $\pm 46.27$ )	1	1.93 ( $\pm 0.09$ )	12.27 ( $\pm 1.69$ )	100.53 ( $\pm 25.20$ )	3	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	18.07 ( $\pm 1.07$ )	<b>4.87</b> ( $\pm 0.52$ )	4	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	12.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>4.87</b> ( $\pm 0.52$ )	4	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	12.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	7.63 ( $\pm 0.22$ )	7	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>21.30</b> ( $\pm 0.82$ )	
Math-10 (1)	221.13 ( $\pm 56.26$ )	10	64.50 ( $\pm 15.98$ )	15.50 ( $\pm 2.35$ )	109.53 ( $\pm 18.08$ )	13	<b>172.37</b> ( $\pm 26.21$ )	24.03 ( $\pm 1.33$ )	<b>2.97</b> ( $\pm 0.17$ )	2	7.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	10.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>2.97</b> ( $\pm 0.17$ )	2	7.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	10.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	3.87 ( $\pm 0.20$ )	3	44.33 ( $\pm 5.47$ )	<b>32.00</b> ( $\pm 1.39$ )	
Math-46 (1)	377.87 ( $\pm 63.43$ )	77	0.80 ( $\pm 0.14$ )	36.33 ( $\pm 1.07$ )	270.07 ( $\pm 50.22$ )	8	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>43.03</b> ( $\pm 0.78$ )	<b>118.93</b> ( $\pm 0.90$ )	116	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	5.60 ( $\pm 0.18$ )	<b>118.93</b> ( $\pm 0.90$ )	116	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	8.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	122.00 ( $\pm 8.34$ )	49	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	38.17 ( $\pm 0.82$ )	
Math-60 (7)	6.93 ( $\pm 0.63$ )	4	219.17 ( $\pm 5.26$ )	92.90 ( $\pm 1.64$ )	5.90 ( $\pm 0.47$ )	4	<b>483.03</b> ( $\pm 9.52$ )	<b>138.10</b> ( $\pm 3.56$ )	<b>2.27</b> ( $\pm 0.16$ )	2	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	3.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>2.27</b> ( $\pm 0.16$ )	2	2.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	3.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	4.77 ( $\pm 0.15$ )	4	234.23 ( $\pm 5.63$ )	94.20 ( $\pm 2.67$ )	
Time-1 (14)	5.17 ( $\pm 1.20$ )	2	123.30 ( $\pm 5.86$ )	170.63 ( $\pm 3.43$ )	3.30 ( $\pm 0.60$ )	2	<b>221.00</b> ( $\pm 7.84$ )	<b>249.10</b> ( $\pm 4.29$ )	5.23 ( $\pm 0.18$ )	4	33.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	32.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	5.23 ( $\pm 0.18$ )	4	33.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	32.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	3.80 ( $\pm 0.69$ )	1	189.73 ( $\pm 11.94$ )	225.33 ( $\pm 5.62$ )	
CLI1-2 (13)	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	159.53 ( $\pm 4.05$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>202.17</b> ( $\pm 3.48$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	4.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	4.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	169.40 ( $\pm 4.07$ )	
CLI2-3 (13)	10.83 ( $\pm 3.33$ )	2	82.30 ( $\pm 3.98$ )	176.83 ( $\pm 3.62$ )	<b>4.83</b> ( $\pm 1.29$ )	1	<b>161.60</b> ( $\pm 6.62$ )	242.53 ( $\pm 6.92$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	37.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	37.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	13.27 ( $\pm 3.62$ )	2	84.63 ( $\pm 4.24$ )	242.70 ( $\pm 3.80$ )	
CLI3-4 (8)	7.43 ( $\pm 1.60$ )	1	96.73 ( $\pm 4.54$ )	279.13 ( $\pm 4.51$ )	7.20 ( $\pm 1.85$ )	2	97.87 ( $\pm 4.02$ )	467.27 ( $\pm 5.05$ )	<b>4.07</b> ( $\pm 0.36$ )	3	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	12.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>4.07</b> ( $\pm 0.36$ )	3	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	12.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	8.93 ( $\pm 2.13$ )	2	<b>113.33</b> ( $\pm 4.80$ )	471.50 ( $\pm 8.93$ )	
CLI4-5 (13)	589.57 ( $\pm 16.05$ )	358	0.07 ( $\pm 0.09$ )	219.30 ( $\pm 3.74$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>274.43</b> ( $\pm 4.22$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	4.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	4.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	<b>551.97</b> ( $\pm 45.65$ )	125	<b>0.13</b> ( $\pm 0.12$ )	235.17 ( $\pm 5.73$ )	
CLI5-6 (21)	<b>4.13</b> ( $\pm 1.04$ )	1	143.87 ( $\pm 4.99$ )	182.00 ( $\pm 5.54$ )	<b>3.43</b> ( $\pm 0.72$ )	1	<b>277.17</b> ( $\pm 6.81$ )	<b>272.17</b> ( $\pm 7.32$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	5.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	-	-	0.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	5.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	6.17 ( $\pm 1.31$ )	2	177.80 ( $\pm 4.39$ )	214.47 ( $\pm 6.38$ )	

HyDiff classifies all subjects correctly.

Components do benefit from each other.

# Worst-Case Complexity Analysis



DDSE quickly makes progress, DF continuously improves the score.

HyDiff successfully combines strengths of DDSE and DF.

HyDiff outperforms the components in isolation.

# Side-Channel Analysis

- in regression testing: **changes in the program**
- in side-channel analysis: **changes in the input**

`secret = change(secret1, secret2)`

# Side-Channel Analysis

Benchmark	Version	Differential Fuzzing (DF)			Themis		
		$\bar{\delta}$	$\delta_{\max}$	$\bar{t} : \delta > 0$	$\epsilon = 64$	$\epsilon = \infty$	Time (s)
Spring-Security	Safe	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1	4.77 ( $\pm 1.07$ )	✓	✓	1.70
Spring-Security	Unsafe	149.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	149	4.17 ( $\pm 0.90$ )	✓	✓	1.09
JDK7-MsgDigest	Safe	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1	10.77 ( $\pm 2.12$ )	✓	✓	1.27
JDK6-MsgDigest	Unsafe	140.03 ( $\pm 20.39$ )	263	3.20 ( $\pm 0.81$ )	✓	✓	1.33
Picketbox	Safe	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1	16.90 ( $\pm 3.89$ )	✓	✗	1.79
Picketbox	Unsafe	363.70 ( $\pm 562.18$ )	8,822	5.13 ( $\pm 1.83$ )	✓	✓	1.55
Tomcat	Safe	25.07 ( $\pm 0.36$ )	26	19.90 ( $\pm 9.29$ )	✓	✗	9.93
<i>Tomcat</i>	<i>Unsafe</i>	<i>49.00 (<math>\pm 0.36</math>)</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>23.53 (<math>\pm 9.73</math>)</i>	<i>✓</i>	<i>✓</i>	<i>8.64</i>
<i>Jetty</i>	<i>Safe</i>	<i>11.77 (<math>\pm 0.60</math>)</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>3.77 (<math>\pm 0.72</math>)</i>	<i>✓</i>	<i>✓</i>	<i>2.50</i>
Jetty	Unsafe	70.87 ( $\pm 6.12$ )	105	6.83 ( $\pm 1.62$ )	✓	✓	2.07
orientdb	Safe	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1	16.60 ( $\pm 5.14$ )	✓	✗	37.99
orientdb	Unsafe	458.93 ( $\pm 685.64$ )	10,776	4.77 ( $\pm 1.06$ )	✓	✓	38.09
pac4j	Safe	10.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	10	1.10 ( $\pm 0.11$ )	✓	✗	3.97
<i>pac4j</i>	<i>Unsafe</i>	<i>11.00 (<math>\pm 0.00</math>)</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>1.13 (<math>\pm 0.12</math>)</i>	<i>✓</i>	<i>✓</i>	<i>1.85</i>
<i>pac4j</i>	<i>Unsafe*</i>	<i>39.00 (<math>\pm 0.00</math>)</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>1.10 (<math>\pm 0.11</math>)</i>	-	-	-

DF can find the same vulnerabilities as static analysis

well-balanced combination: fast and high delta  
(important to assess the severity of vulnerability)

# Robustness Analysis of Neural Networks

**Purpose:** stress test proposed technique

- similar to SC analysis: **changes** in the **input**
- similar to regression analysis: **search for output differences**
- idea: allow up to x% changes in the pixels of the input image

$$a[i][j] = \mathbf{change}(a[i][j], \text{value});$$

# NN Analysis

Subject (% change)	Differential Fuzzing (DF)				Parallel Differential Fuzzing (PDF)				Differential Dynamic Sym. Exec. (DDSE)				HyDiff			
	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff	$\bar{t}$	+odiff	$t_{min}$	#odiff
1	2,725.40 (+341.09)	1,074	0.57 ( $\pm 0.20$ )	7.73 ( $\pm 0.18$ )	2,928.60 (+289.44)	1,202	1.00 ( $\pm 0.31$ )	12.00 (+0.48)	296.03 ( $\pm 1.49$ )	289	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	297.10 ( $\pm 2.38$ )	267	1.20 (+0.14)	6.10 ( $\pm 0.11$ )
2	2,581.47 (+326.21)	1,032	0.93 ( $\pm 0.28$ )	7.93 ( $\pm 0.13$ )	2,509.20 (+289.37)	1,117	1.23 ( $\pm 0.33$ )	12.63 (+0.48)	309.77 ( $\pm 7.04$ )	293	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	297.93 (+1.29)	292	1.53 ( $\pm 0.20$ )	6.93 ( $\pm 0.13$ )
5	2,402.97 (+329.59)	1,189	1.23 ( $\pm 0.37$ )	6.47 ( $\pm 0.18$ )	2,501.43 (+285.86)	1,429	1.70 ( $\pm 0.44$ )	10.33 (+0.43)	304.53 ( $\pm 1.06$ )	300	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	301.83 (+1.16)	296	2.07 ( $\pm 0.29$ )	6.90 ( $\pm 0.17$ )
10	2,155.40 (+343.76)	996	1.57 ( $\pm 0.34$ )	8.10 ( $\pm 0.17$ )	2,127.70 (+229.21)	1,418	2.20 ( $\pm 0.33$ )	11.23 (+0.40)	311.90 ( $\pm 0.74$ )	308	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	311.07 ( $\pm 1.01$ )	306	2.37 ( $\pm 0.31$ )	7.00 ( $\pm 0.13$ )
20	1,695.83 (+228.18)	953	2.70 ( $\pm 0.37$ )	9.13 ( $\pm 0.12$ )	1,897.67 (+219.97)	1,340	3.30 ( $\pm 0.49$ )	11.57 (+0.50)	346.87 ( $\pm 1.98$ )	339	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	341.83 (+1.27)	336	3.13 ( $\pm 0.34$ )	7.20 ( $\pm 0.14$ )
50	1,830.83 (+259.79)	1,220	2.43 ( $\pm 0.42$ )	6.33 ( $\pm 0.21$ )	1,696.10 (+86.20)	1,423	3.80 ( $\pm 0.35$ )	12.00 (+0.39)	455.03 ( $\pm 1.62$ )	449	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	452.63 ( $\pm 2.06$ )	434	3.77 ( $\pm 0.34$ )	7.27 ( $\pm 0.16$ )
100	1,479.17 (+231.25)	960	2.47 ( $\pm 0.37$ )	9.37 ( $\pm 0.20$ )	1,790.87 (+270.10)	1,109	3.03 ( $\pm 0.54$ )	13.97 (+0.68)	583.33 ( $\pm 2.83$ )	571	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	1.00 ( $\pm 0.00$ )	575.13 (+2.65)	564	3.10 ( $\pm 0.35$ )	7.60 ( $\pm 0.18$ )

Shows the limitations of both components.

HyDiff can combine them so that both can benefit from each other

# RQ 1: Differential Fuzzing

- **Regression:** performs quite reasonable, but not all subject correctly classified (parallel DF did not help)
- **WCA:** improves cost continuously over time
- **SC:** outperforms Blazer and Themis
- **NN:** effective, but very slow (gets better with more x%)

Differential Fuzzing **continuously improves** its differential analysis over time

Parallel Differential Fuzzing **even better**, sometimes outperformed hybrid combination

# RQ 2: Differential Dynamic Symbolic Execution

- **Regression**: fast in finding output differences, but not all subject correctly classified
- **WCA**: often stays in plateaus without improvement, but good in finding some first slowdown
- **SC**: slow in the beginning, but eventually high delta
- **NN**: very fast for first output difference, but limited by heavy constraint solving

DDSE develops in jumps and only rarely in continuous improvement

effective technique due to constraint solving

DDSE with twice the time budget does not improve the result

# RQ 3+4: Hybrid combination

- **Regression:** HyDiff finds all output differences and often generates higher values in a shorter time period
- **WCA:** clearly outperforms components
- **SC:** no clear improvement, but well balanced combination
- **NN:** good combination, finds output differences and is fast

HyDiff does not only combine results of components but also amplifies them

# RQ 5: HyDiff for Differential Testing

- **Regression:** crashes not present, but inputs for behavioral differences
- **WCA:** AC vulnerabilities identified
- **SC:** all vulnerabilities identified
- **NN:** limits of HyDiff, however found adversarial inputs

HyDiff is **effective** for differential testing

# Publications

## **Shadow Symbolic Execution with Java PathFinder**

Yannic Noller, Hoang Lam Nguyen, Minxing Tang, and Timo Kehrer

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## **Badger: Complexity Analysis with Fuzzing and Symbolic Execution**

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## **Differential Program Analysis with Fuzzing and Symbolic execution**

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## **DifFuzz: Differential Fuzzing for Side-Channel Analysis**

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# Hybrid Differential Software Testing

**Differential Software Testing**

1. Input to program P and P'.

2. Comparison of behaviors.

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**Why combine Fuzzing and Symbolic Execution?**

good in finding shallow bugs, but bad in finding deep program paths

input reasoning ability, but path explosion and constraint solving

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**Differential Fuzzing**

fuzzing driver

mutate repeatedly

parse input

determine differences

check for new interesting, differential properties

mutant selection by input evaluation for the instrumented program P

6. mutated files that showed (new) interesting behavior

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**Differential Dynamic SymEx**

DDSE

1. import inputs / export inputs

2. Trie Extension / Input Assessment

3. Exploration

4. Input Generation

5. HyDiff

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**HyDiff's overview**

Input: program versions, seed input files, change-annotated program

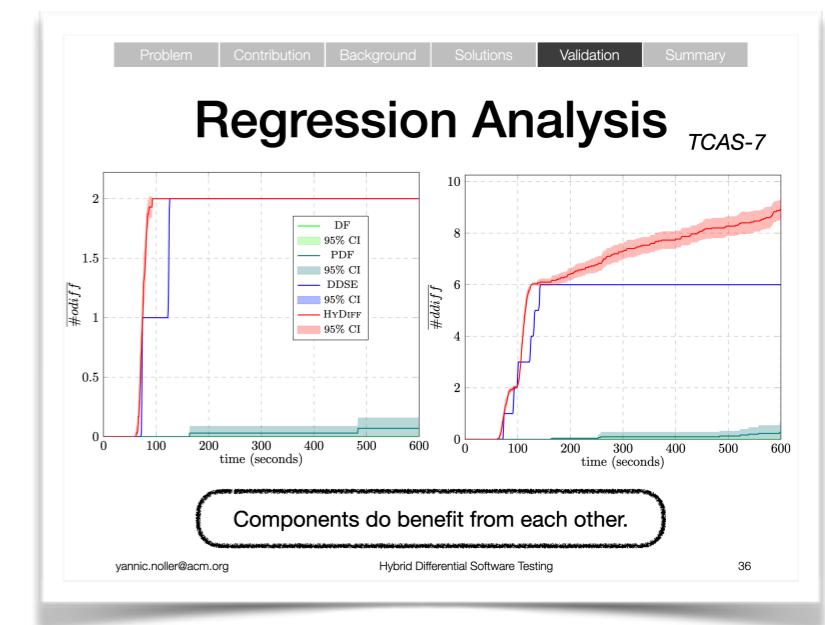
Fuzzing: instrumentation, import, assessment

Symbolic Execution: import, constraint solving / input generation, exploration

HyDiff: trie extension / assessment, mutation, fuzzer output queue

Output: set of divergence revealing test inputs

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