

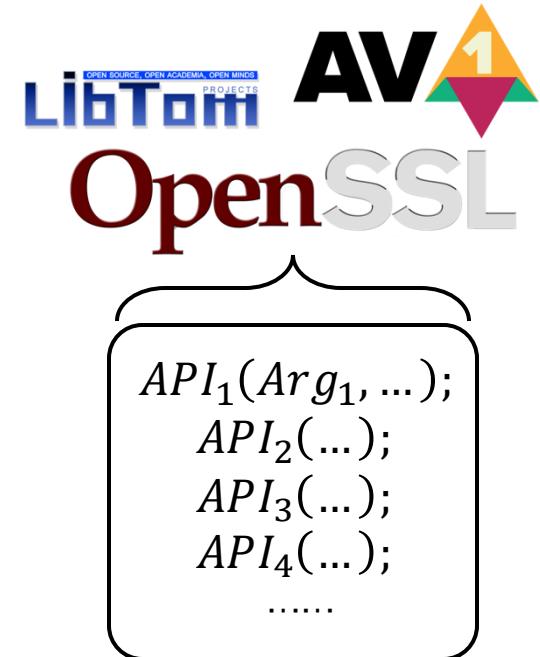
Automatic Library Fuzzing through API Relation Evolvement

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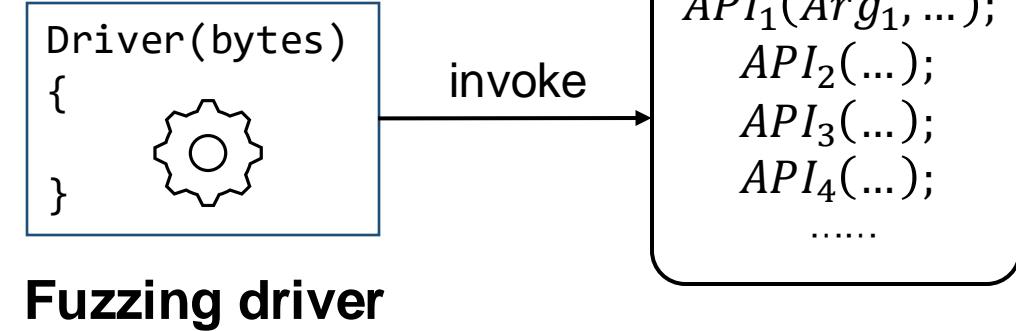
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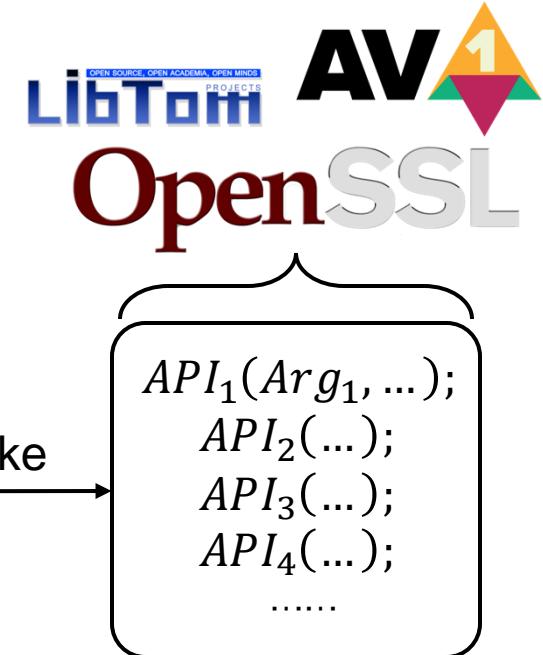
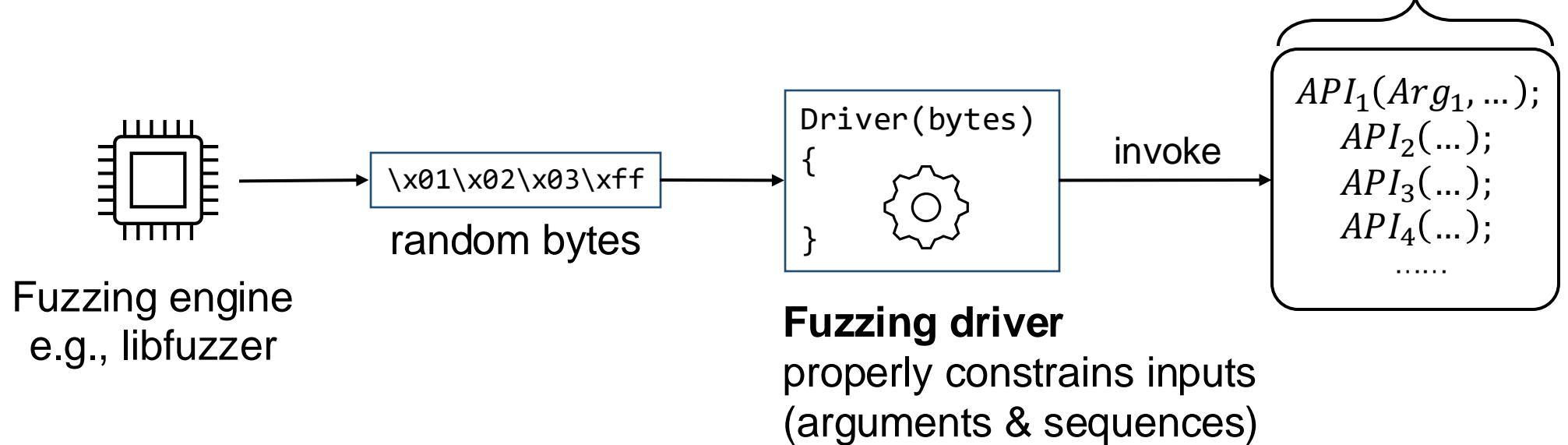
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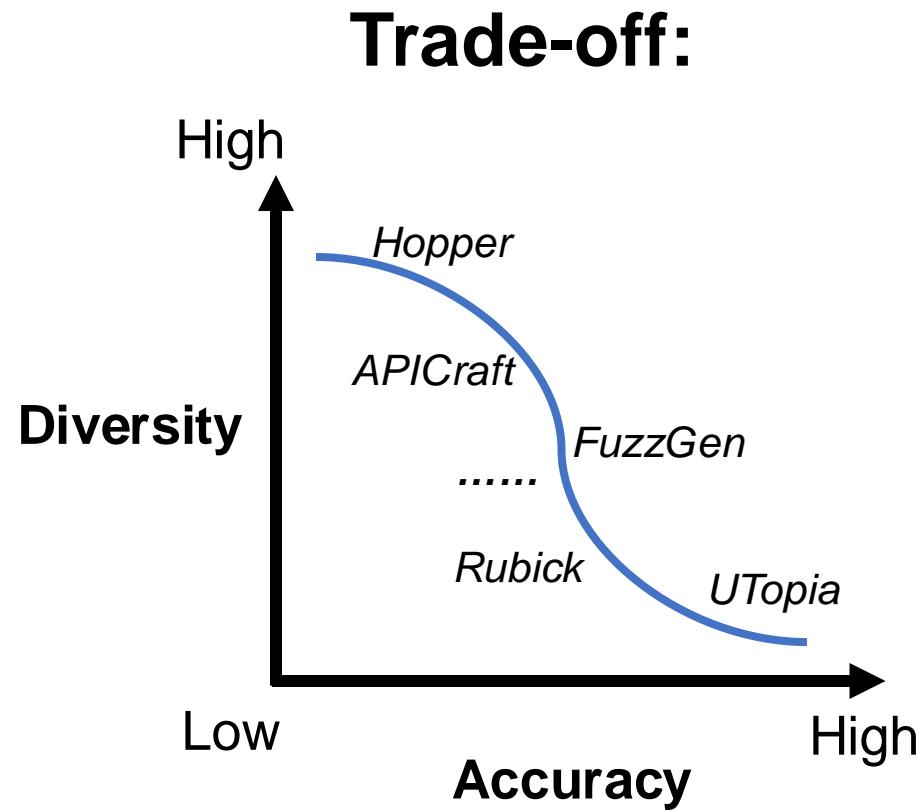


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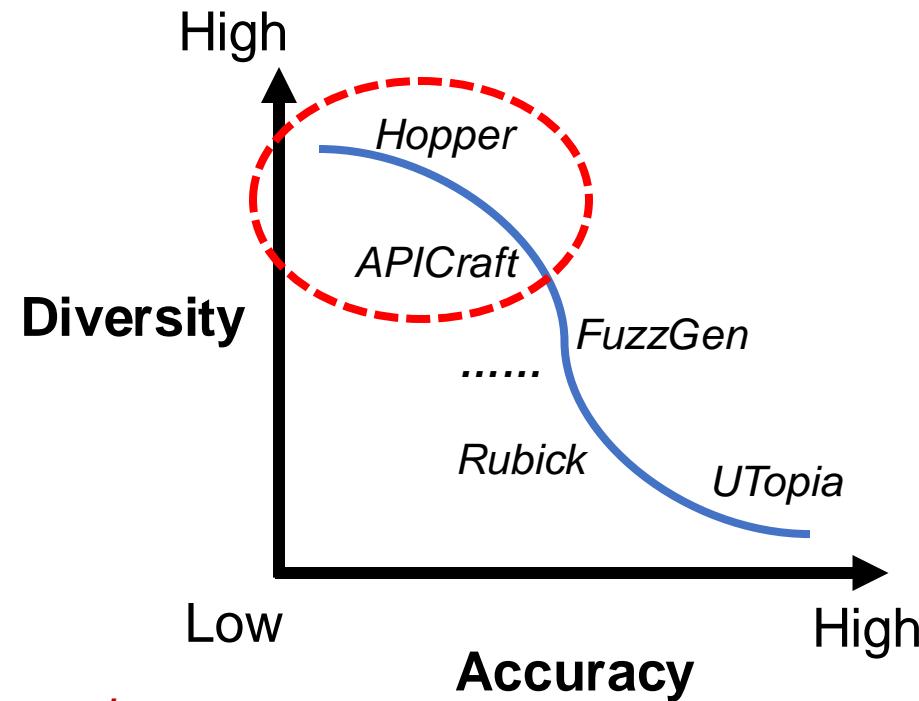
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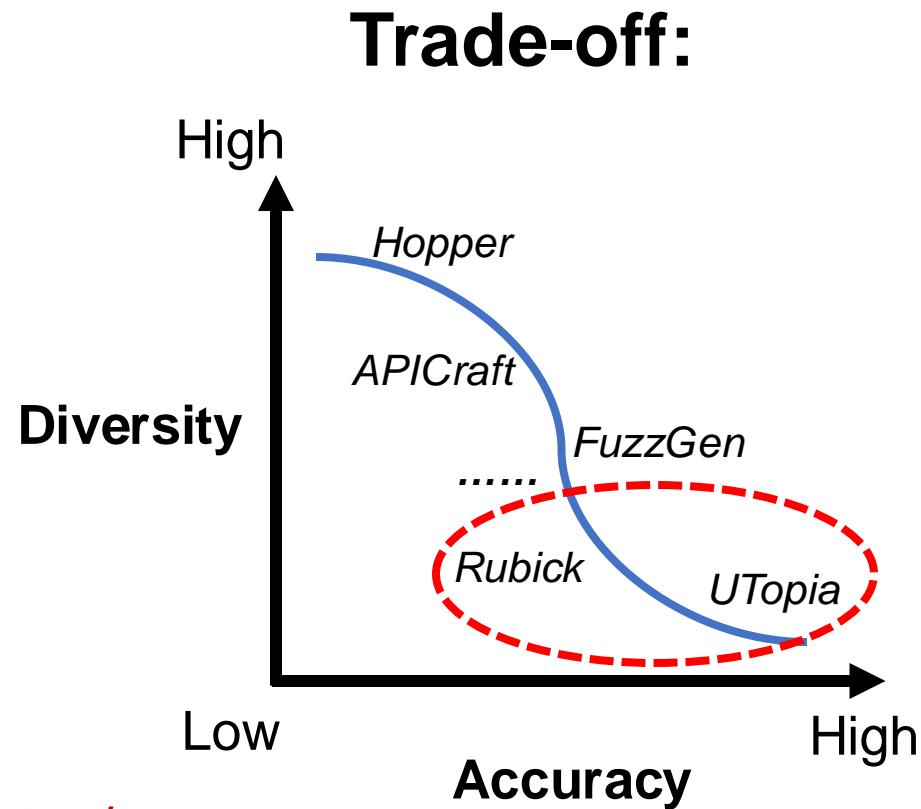


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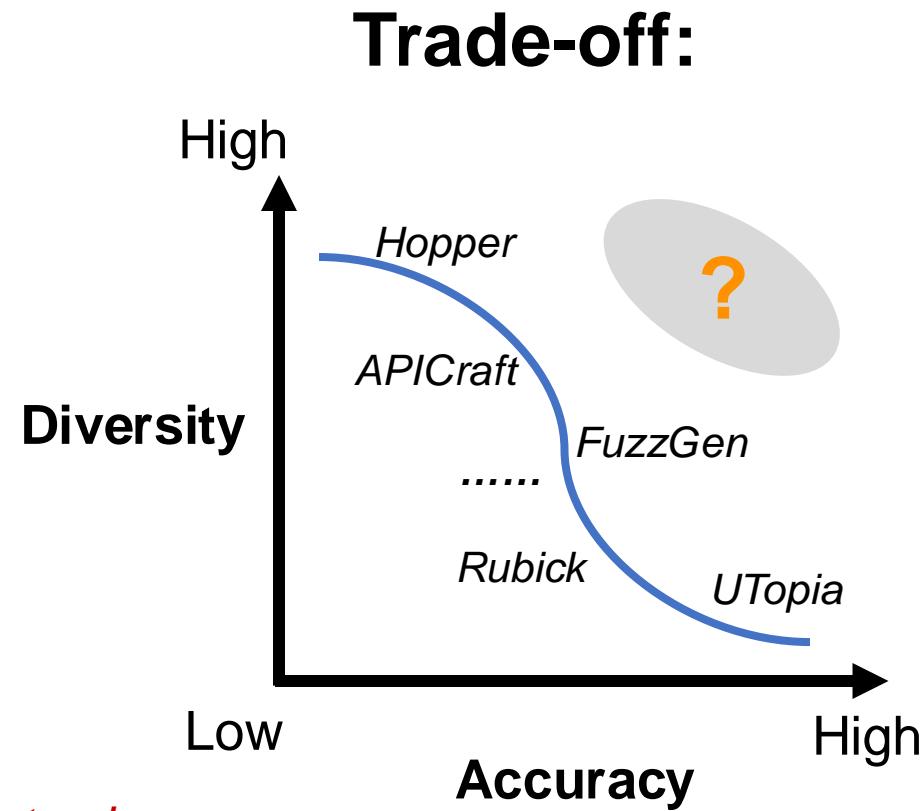
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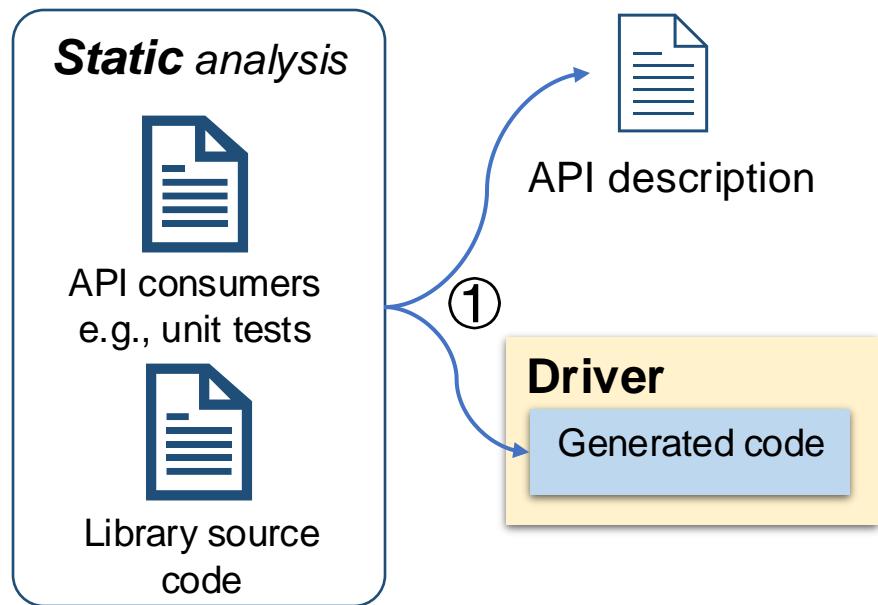
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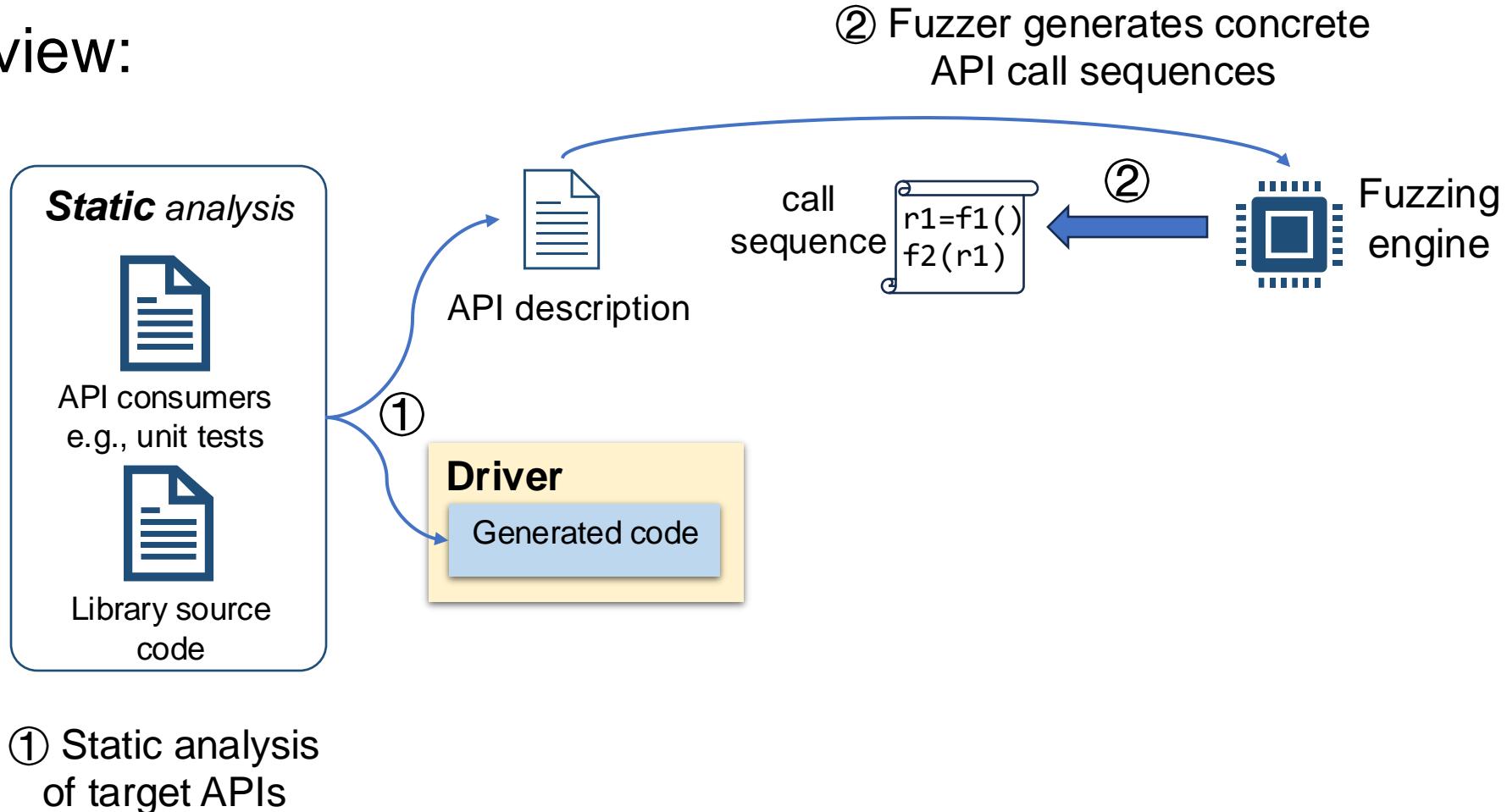
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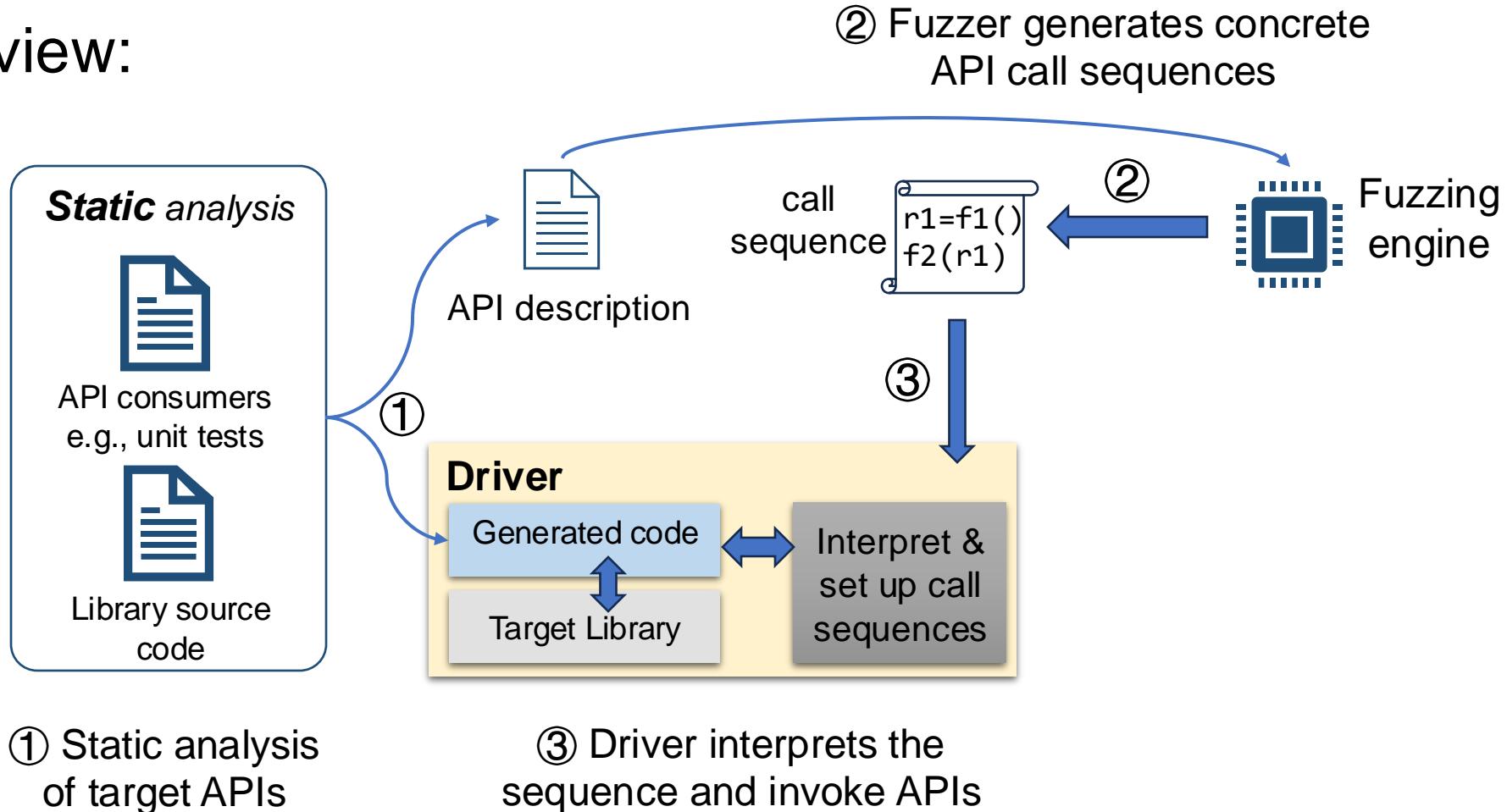
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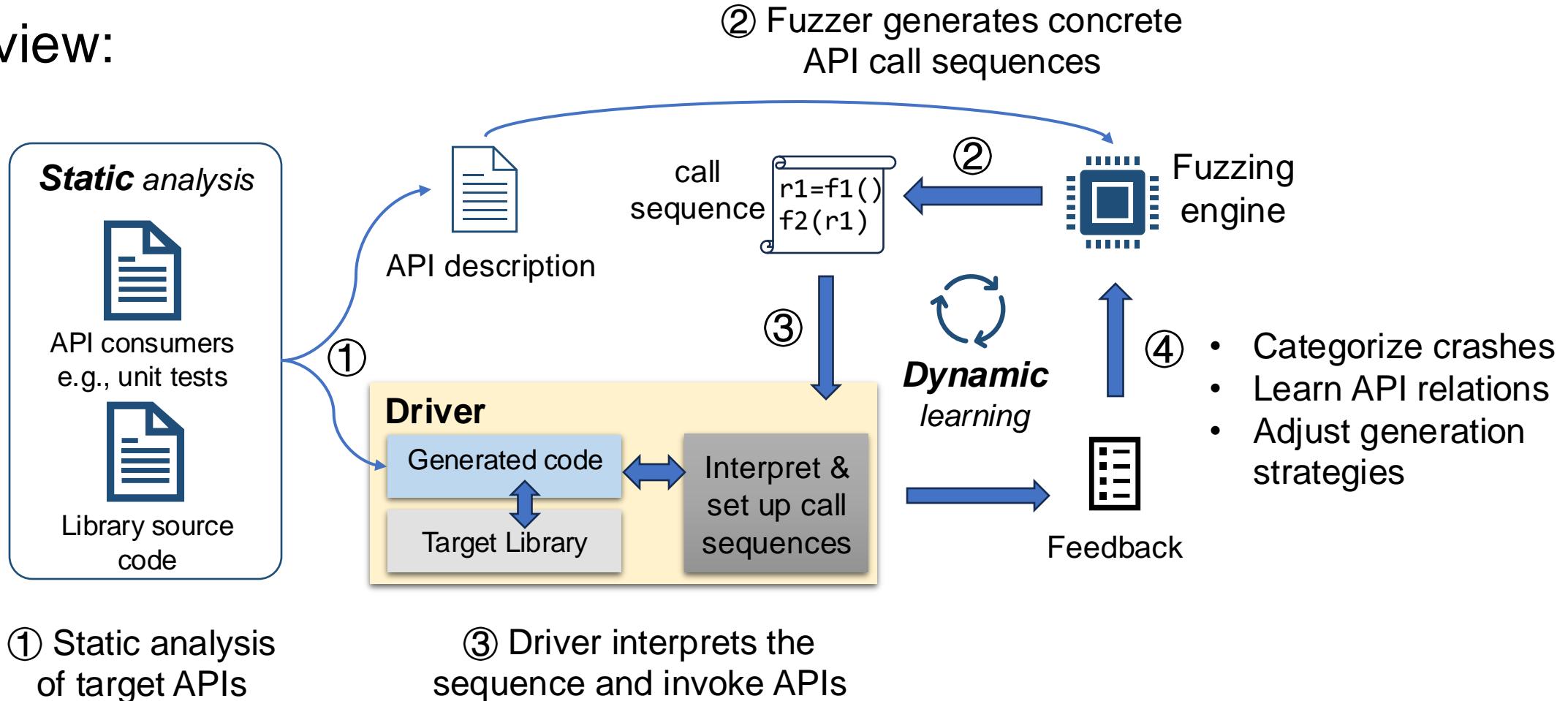


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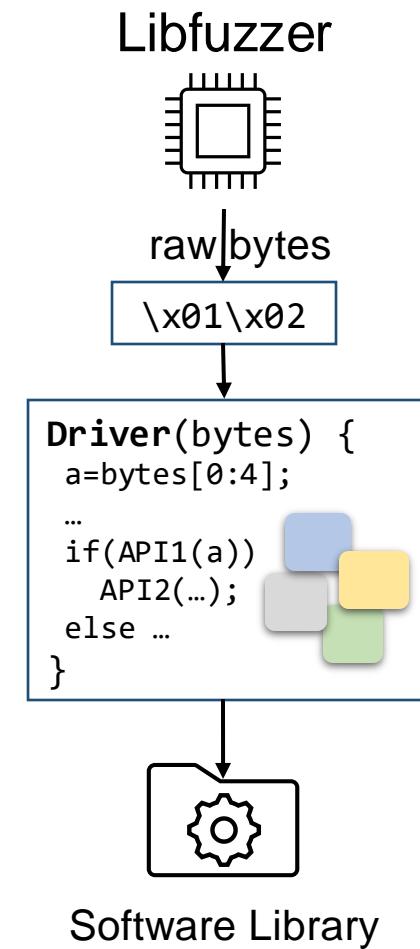
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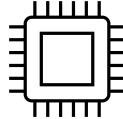
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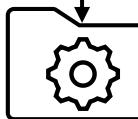
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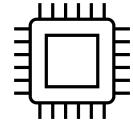
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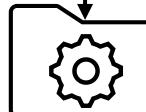
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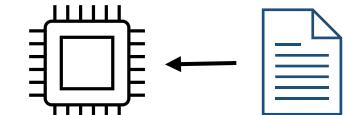
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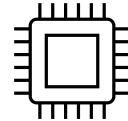
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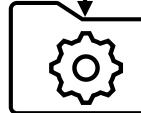
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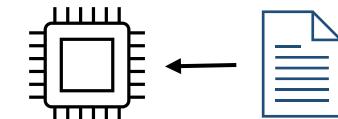
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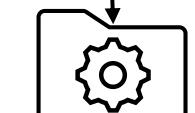
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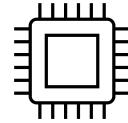


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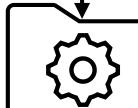
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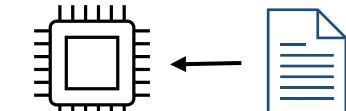
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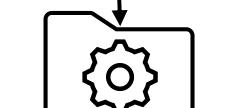
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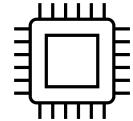
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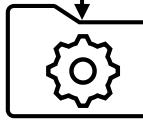
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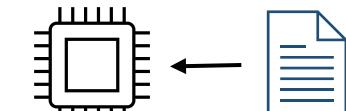
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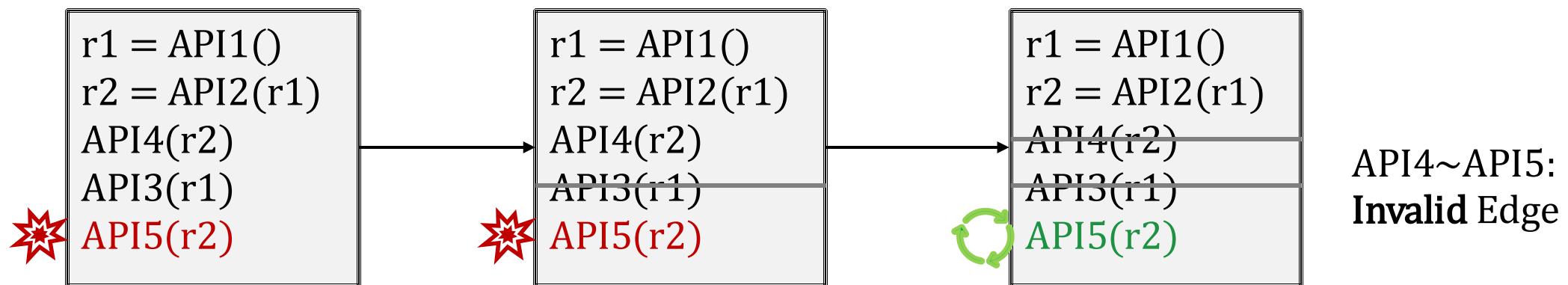
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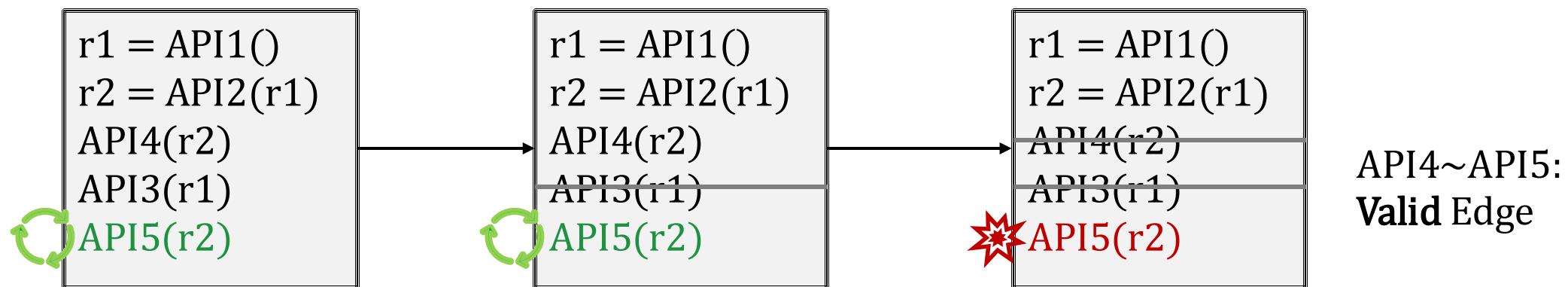
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Feedback:

- call stacks
- ASAN messages
- violation address
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Rules:

- if edge.src.stack.contains(free)
 && edge.src.name.contains(free) ...
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- *Please refer to the paper for more technical details:*
 - *learning argument constraints*
 - *concrete filtering rules*

Evaluation

- RQ1: How effective is NEXZZER when comparing with existing works
- RQ2: How effective is NEXZZER's different components

Evaluation – RQ1

- Among 18 libraries, NEXZZER found 27 new bugs within 24 hours

Targets	Type	Function	Status	ID
OpenSSL	Integer Overflow	BN_mod_exp_mont_consttime	Fixed	4378e
OpenSSL	Integer Overflow	BN_bntest_rand	Fixed	23704
OpenSSL	Integer Overflow	ASN1_BIT_STRING_set_bit	Fixed	20719
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OpenSSL	Undefined Behavior	BN_GF2m_mod_inv	Reported	19826
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libxml2	Null Pointer Dereference	xmlCopyNode	Confirmed	463
Relic	Integer Overflow	bn_grow	Fixed	CVE-2023-36326
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libpcre2	Heap Overflow	pcre2_match_data_create	Fixed	CVE-2023-29822
libGMP	Integer Overflow	mpz_nextprime	Fixed	CVE-2022-46386
lcms	Buffer Overflow	cmsCreateExtendedTransform	Fixed	46355
libopus	Stack Overflow	opus_decode	Reported	329
tesseract	Integer Overflow	TessBaseAPIAdaptToWordStr	Reported	4299

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#UVul	BASELINE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	FUZZGEN	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0
	UTOPIA	N/A	1	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	HOPPER	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
	NEXZER	18	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0

- ~48% more code coverage

Evaluation – RQ1

- Comparison with existing works: OSS-Fuzz, FuzzGen, UTopia, Hopper

	Fuzzers	OpenSSL	tesseract	jsonnet	leveldb	uriparser	libpx	libaom	libTom	libGMP	relic	libxml2	libpcre2	lcms	cJSON	libpox	libgsm	libavc	libhevc
#UAPI	BASELINE	606	9	5	15	17	17	13	33	59	54	59	14	10	6	4	5	1	1
	FUZZGEN	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12	7	1	1
	UTOPIA	N/A	356	6	91	24	43	109	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	HOPPER	3834	138	46	68	90	24	35	93	594	270	114	27	274	78	54	36	1	1
	NEXZZER	3834	138	46	68	90	24	35	93	594	270	114	27	274	78	54	36	1	1
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#UVul	BASELINE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	FUZZGEN	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0
	UTOPIA	N/A	1	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	HOPPER	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
	NEXZZER	18	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0

- ~48% more code coverage
- 19 more bugs

Evaluation – RQ1

- Comparison with existing works: OSS-Fuzz, FuzzGen, UTopia, Hopper

Targets	NEXZZER								HOPPER				UTopia						
	ValueSet				APIEdge				Unknown Crash			Total	#Inf	#FP	#TP (BUG)	Total	#FP (Driver)	#TP (Driver)	#Bug
	Total	#L	#N	#R	Total	#Mis-DU	#I	Total	#FP	#TP (BUG)									
OpenSSL	P1	236	8	219	9	217	209	8	30	28	2	806	110	696	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	P2	255	11	223	21	286	268	18	31	30	1	828	335	493	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	P3	236	8	218	10	313	303	10	36	35	1	134	31	103	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	P4	203	2	196	5	237	225	12	26	23	3	230	60	170	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	P5	210	12	195	3	227	203	24	29	28	1	40	24	16	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	P6	84	0	75	9	95	72	23	14	13	1	70	38	32	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	P7	233	35	182	16	198	169	29	44	42	9	300	81	217	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
tesseract		95	6	89	0	47	37	10	29	27	1	86	9	76	1	246	111	135	0
jsonnet		29	0	29	0	16	7	9	4	3	0	22	4	18	0	15	0	15	0
leveldb		53	10	41	2	57	48	9	8	8	0	36	23	13	0	157	71	86	0
uriparser		8	3	3	2	60	49	11	7	7	0	93	46	47	0	80	61	19	0
libvpx		48	0	43	5	59	54	5	2	2	0	9	2	7	0	17	14	3	0
libaom		90	5	69	16	30	25	5	15	15	0	10	4	6	0	109	37	72	0
cJSON		73	16	57	0	39	39	0	7	6	0	11	9	1	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
lcms		206	8	198	0	261	260	1	12	9	1	106	2	103	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
libTom		271	14	176	81	345	320	25	13	12	1	194	106	88	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Relic		260	33	161	66	443	396	47	43	41	2	2	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
libGMP		397	117	227	53	320	309	11	41	40	1	737	227	510	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
libopus		74	5	62	7	38	36	2	11	10	1	125	21	103	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
libpcre2		101	8	92	1	77	71	6	6	4	1	213	30	182	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
libxml2		95	14	78	3	169	161	8	31	30	1	11	0	11	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
libgsm		5	0	4	1	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
libavc		5	0	1	4	5	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
libhevc		5	0	1	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total		3272	315	2639	318	3551	3269	282	440	413	27	4063	1164	2892	7	624	294	330	0

filtered 93% misuse, while another work filtered 47%

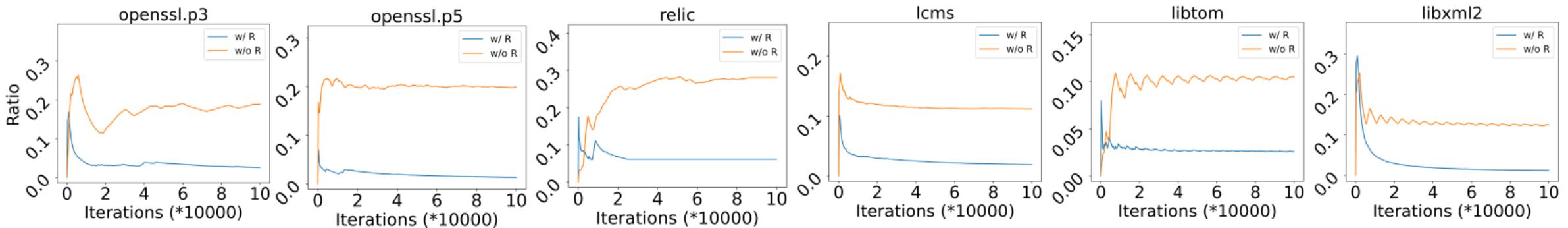
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e.g., API misuse ratio with relation learning VS without relation learning:



The decreasing trends indicate that NEXZZER learns correct API relations to gradually generate more effective API call sequences

Discussion

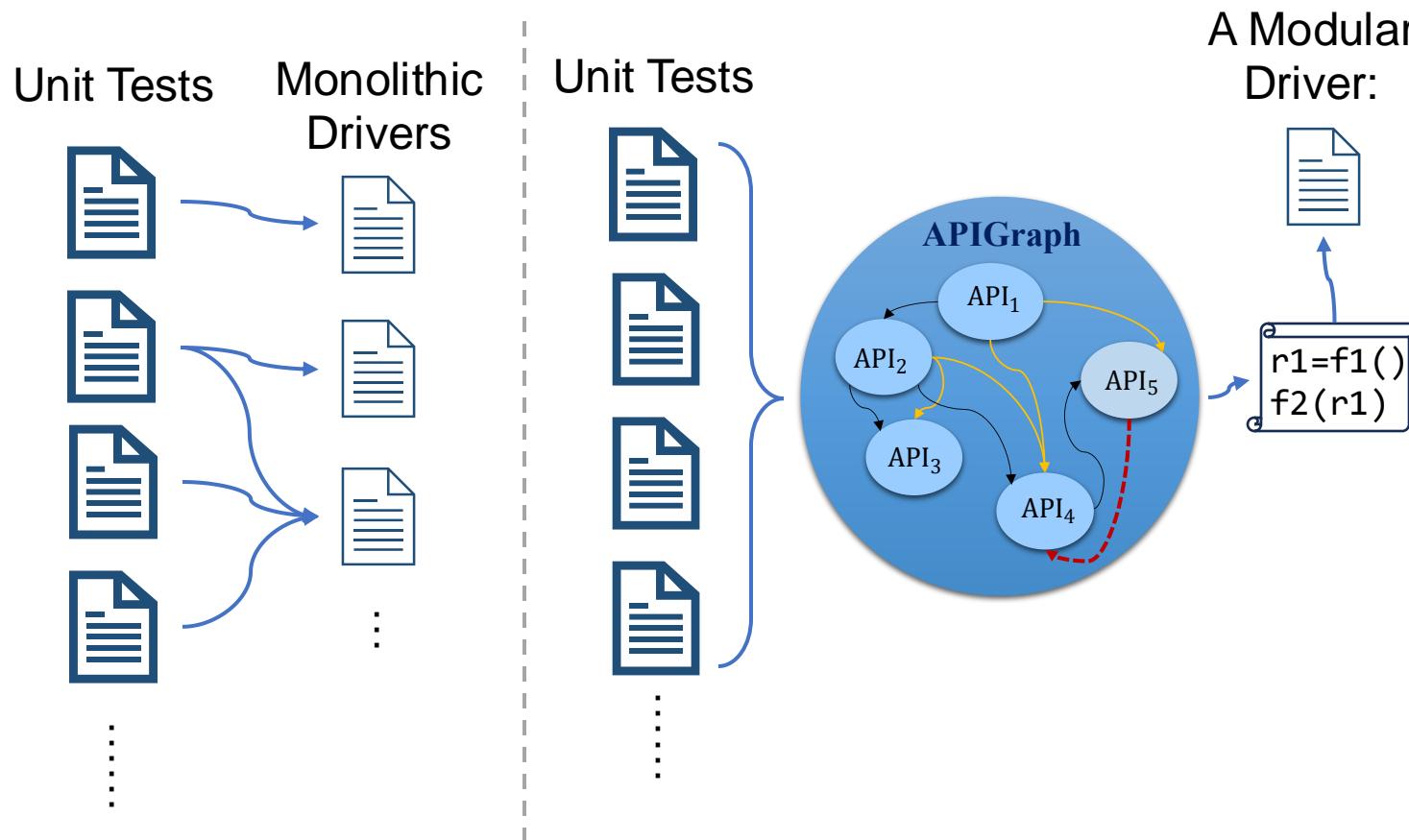
- Most bugs come from uncovered APIs
 - OpenSSL has thousands of APIs, oss-fuzz drivers only cover hundreds
- Some interesting bugs come from API sequence mutation
 - Manual drivers can't trigger a bug by: *BN_bin2bn* → *BN_mod_exp_mont_consttime*
 - NEXZZER can by mutating sequences: *BN_set_bit* → *BN_mod_exp_mont_consttime*
- Limitations
 1. Modeling of more complex API usage like multi-dimensional arrays' lengths
 2. Limited C++ support of the synthesized driver

Thank you!

➤ Q & A

Appendix – Modular Driver

- Scalability issue:



```
int DriverEntry(uint8_t *raw_api_seq) {  
    APISeq api_seq = Interpret_and_setup(api_seq);  
    for (int i = 0; i < api_seq.len(); i++) {  
        Transfer_dependencies(api_seq);  
        switch (api_seq.apis[i].idx) {  
            // ----- Synthesized code starts -----  
            case 0:  
                BN_set_bit(api_seq.apis[i].args[0], ...);  
                break;  
            case 1:  
                dep_1 = BN_new();  
                ...  
            // ----- Synthesized code ends -----  
        }  
        Collect_feedback(api_seq);  
    }  
}
```

Appendix – Ablation Study

TABLE III: Consumer Analysis Results and Ablation Study

Targets	Consumer Results and Ablation										Relation Ablation					
	Consumer				Coverage			ΔBug	Coverage			FP Ratio			ΔBug	
	#F	#N	#E*	#E	w/o C	NEXZZER	ΔCov		w/o R	NEXZZER	ΔCov	w/o R	NEXZZER	ΔFP		
OpenSSL	P1	296	568	16607	20852	9408	10904	+15.90%	2	7784	10904	+28.61%	0.2583	0.0377	-85.40%	1
	P2	547	951	11773	17346	11967	12358	+3.27%	0	9267	12358	+25.01%	0.1965	0.0289	-85.29%	0
	P3	255	634	2917	7642	12506	15076	+20.55%	0	9796	15076	+35.02%	0.1884	0.0254	-86.51%	0
	P4	262	625	4341	6638	10357	13983	+35.01%	0	9575	13983	+31.52%	0.1188	0.0309	-73.98%	1
	P5	117	423	3390	4892	9652	10352	+7.25%	0	9414	10352	+9.06%	0.1985	0.0122	-93.85%	0
	P6	24	254	794	1603	4987	5869	+17.69%	1	5397	5869	+8.04%	0.0416	0.0085	-79.56%	1
	P7	200	539	1439	3078	9011	9149	+1.53%	0	8537	9149	+6.68%	0.1188	0.0208	-82.49%	0
libpcre2	40	78	165	834	6511	6825	+4.82%	1	6171	7266	+15.07%	0.0512	0.0069	-86.52%	1	
tesseract†	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	16925	20315	+20.03%	0.2018	0.0679	-66.35%	2	
jsonnet	6	48	106	141	3091	3434	+11.10%	1	2410	3434	+42.49%	0.1313	0.0127	-90.33%	0	
leveldb	87	92	8	204	1810	1877	+3.70%	0	1612	1877	+16.44%	0.0152	0.0075	-50.66%	0	
uriparser	3	70	71	179	7313	7835	+7.14%	0	6637	7835	+18.05%	0.1341	0.0881	-34.30%	0	
libxml2	21	1182	16255	22972	13489	14195	+5.23%	1	10072	14195	+28.86%	0.1246	0.0079	-93.65%	0	
cJSON	19	79	2459	2763	865	865	0.00%	0	686	865	+20.69%	0.1837	0.0237	-87.09%	0	
lcms	4	287	3382	4120	3011	3306	+9.80%	2	2649	3306	+19.87%	0.1138	0.0187	-83.56%	2	
libTom	19	180	3872	5640	1298	1374	+5.86%	0	948	1374	+31.00%	0.1045	0.0722	-30.90%	1	
Relic	59	361	420	2538	3877	4192	+8.12%	0	3296	4192	+22.08%	0.2795	0.0348	-87.54%	0	
libGMP	87	594	1339	7495	6019	6450	+7.16%	0	3201	6450	+50.37%	0.2205	0.0568	-74.24%	0	
libopus	4	67	49	245	2965	3276	+10.49%	0	2197	3276	+32.93%	0.2249	0.0933	-58.51%	0	
libvpx	4	37	108	218	2290	2467	+7.73%	0	1940	2467	+19.40%	0.0001	0.0001	0.00%	0	
libaom	4	35	113	201	6889	7381	+7.14%	0	5642	7381	+23.56%	0.0001	0.0001	0.00%	0	
libgsm	4	35	16	35	318	324	+2.99%	0	292	301	+2.99%	0.0001	0.0001	0.00%	0	
libavc	2	53	0	280	33	4202	+12633%	0	3438	4202	+18.18%	0.0001	0.0001	0.00%	0	
libhevc	2	29	0	135	46	4733	+10189%	0	4371	4733	+7.64%	0.0001	0.0001	0.00%	0	

#F: the number of consumer files; #N: the number of (possibly duplicated) API call nodes in consumers; #E*: the number of Def-Use Edges by type-matching; #E: the number of all edges after consumer analysis;

w/o C: running NEXZZER without the results from consumer analysis (i.e., only use type-matching edges); w/o R: running NEXZZER without the relation learning to constrain the mutator;

†: We did not find consumers using the C APIs of *tesseract* in its repository.

Appendix – API Usage Learning Workflow

Algorithm 3: A Fuzzing Iteration

```
1 Input: APIGraph  $G$ , Seed Corpus  $C$ .  
2  $\triangleright E$ : learned edges.  
3  $\triangleright X$ : learned argument constraints.  
4  $\triangleright S$ : current seed.  
5  $S \leftarrow \text{mutation\_generation}(\text{APIGraph}, C)$   
6  $\text{feedback} \leftarrow \text{execute}(S)$   
7  $\text{idx} \leftarrow \text{feedback.target\_idx}$   
8  $SS \leftarrow G.\text{node}_{\text{idx}}.\text{SeedSpaces}$   
9 if duplicate( $S$ ,  $\text{idx}$ ,  $SS$ ,  $\text{feedback}$ ) then  
10   | return  
11  $S, E \leftarrow \text{InterAPI\_relation\_learning}(G, S, \text{idx})$   
12  $X \leftarrow \text{IntraAPI\_relation\_learning}(S, \text{idx})$   
13  $SS.\text{update}(S, X, E)$   
14 for  $e \in \text{RULES}$  do  
15   |  $\text{check\_misuse}(e, S, SS)$   
16 end  
17  $G.\text{update}(SS)$ 
```
