

Optimizing Grey-Box Mutational Fuzzing Workflow for Effective Vulnerability Discovery

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Project Objectives

- Develop tools to optimise fuzzing workflow & ease fuzzer performance evaluation
- Evaluate the performance of common fuzzing techniques & research best practices for fuzzing
- Contribute to the open-source community by finding vulnerabilities in open-source projects

Developed Tools

Test Case Optimiser

- Merges multiple seed optimisation processes
- Utilises parallelisation to improve performance

Automated Crash Analyser

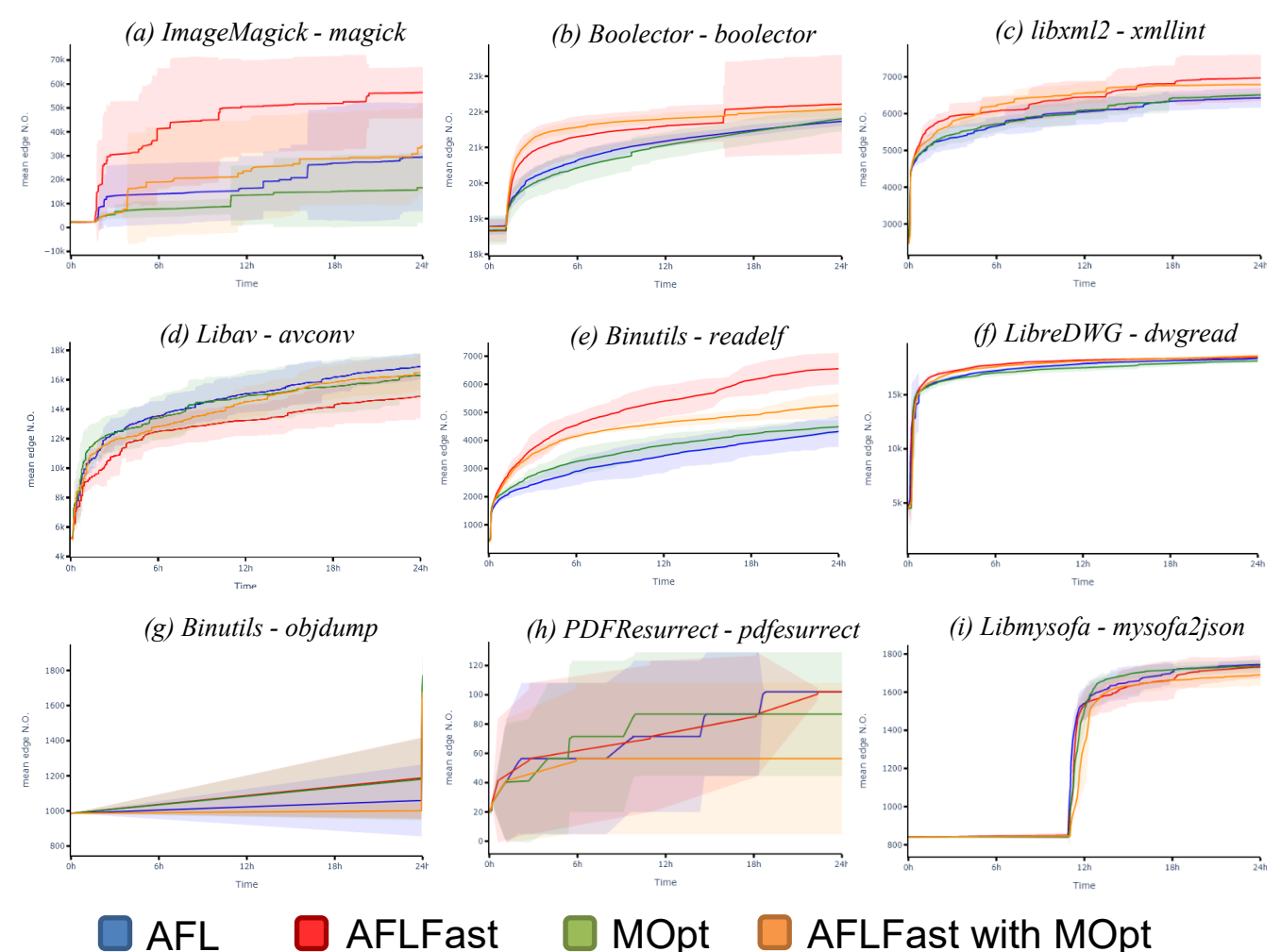
- Automates crash triaging by accurately classify crashes from fuzzing output
- Performs crash bucketing to reduce the number of duplicated bugs
- Identifies actionable vulnerabilities to be reported to relevant parties

Fuzzing Performance Visualiser

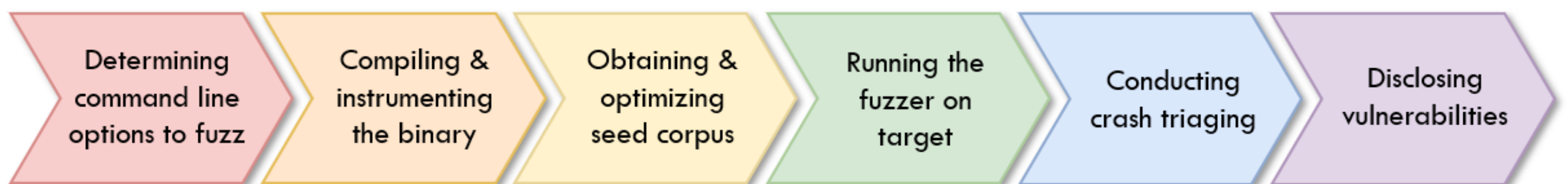
- Creates highly configurable and interactive visualisations from performance data

Evaluation of Fuzzing Techniques

Mean edge coverage growth over time



Proposed Fuzzing Methodology



Incorporates the developed tools, the evaluation results, and the current best practices

Fuzzing Real-World Applications

Fuzzing was conducted on various open-source projects. Responsible vulnerability disclosure was applied. 11 CVE ID requests are currently pending review.

| Library | Unique Vulnerabilities Discovered | Assigned CVE |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| PDFResurrect | 0 | - |
| Libmysofa | 1 | 1 CVE pending |
| LibreDWG | 31 | 8 CVEs pending |
| Boolector | 4 | 1 CVE pending |
| FFjpeg | 1 | 1 CVE pending |
| FFmpeg | 0 | - |