



Using the SMC Fuzzing Module in TF-A

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What this presentation is not

- + A presentation on the merits of fuzzing
- + An analysis of the SMC fuzzer's bug-finding capabilities

What this presentation is

- + Demonstration of
 - Basic fuzzer features
 - Adding SMC calls/test cases
 - Integration with tf-a-tests and platform-ci
- + In other words, showing you how to get started with using the TF-A SMC fuzzing module

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Fuzzer Components

Fuzzing Definition

+ What is Fuzzing?

- Take random, invalid, or unexpected data → program → look for hangs, crashes, assertion fails, and memory leaks

+ Why fuzz?

- Generate unforeseen test cases via automation

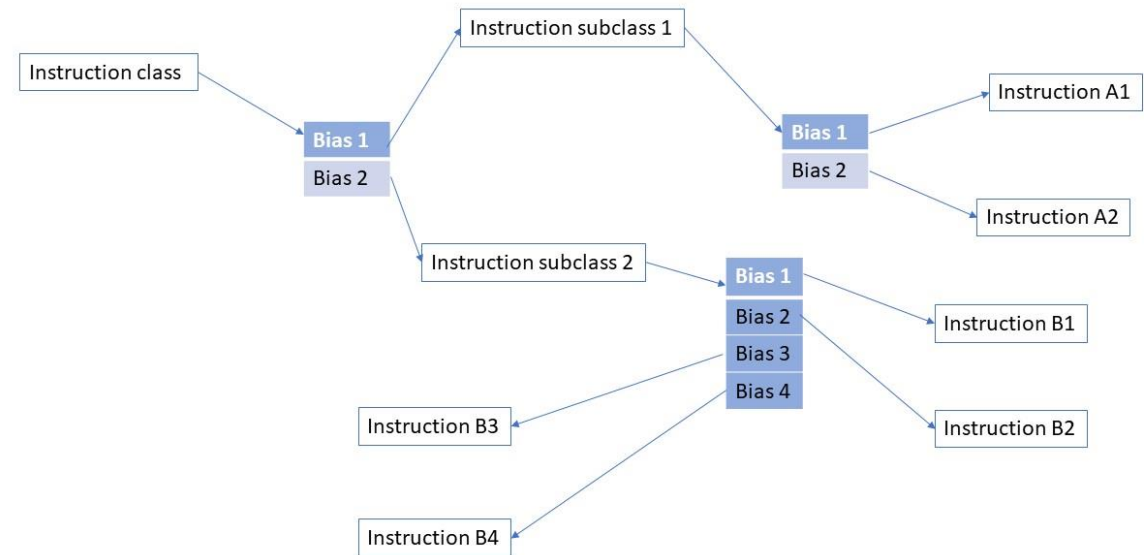
+ What should fuzzer input look like?

- Structured
- Varying degrees of validity

```
name = input("Enter your username:")
if name in users:
    password = input("Password?")
    if password == users[name].password
        command = input("Command?")
        os.popen(command)
```

SMC Fuzzer Components

- + Q: How does the fuzzer choose which order to run SMC calls in?
 - A: Bias tree
- + Q: How does the fuzzer generate input?
 - Q: How is input structured?
 - Q: How valid should input be?
 - + A: Sanity level and Constraints



Structure of SMC calls

	Field0			Field0		Field1	
X1			X2			X3	

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- + Registers contain the arguments to SMC calls
- + Each register may have one or more bitfields of varying widths
- + Sanity level determines how the generated SMC arguments are randomized by the fuzzer

How valid should input be?

	Field0			Field0		Field1	
X1			X2			X3	

Sanity Level	Description
0	Registers fully randomized
1	One register (chosen at random) randomized based on fields
2	All registers randomized based on fields (rest of the register is 0 if not included in a field)
3	Fully constrained by the developer using constraints

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How can we specify useful inputs?

+ Add constraints to an input field

+ Types of Constraints

- Range of values
- Single Value
- Vector of Values

+ Example:

- A platform supports interrupts with IDs in the range 1-16
- To constrain an `interrupt_bind` function you might
 - + Restrict interrupt ID field to range 1-16
 - Or for negative testing, always 17-32 etc
 - + Restrict interrupt ID field to always be 1
 - + Restrict interrupt ID field to a vector of 1,3,5 etc

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Adding SMC Calls to TF-A Tests

Setup

- + Create bias tree with weights for each SMC function
 - Can have separate bias tree for a subclass of SMCs to be run by itself OR add to tree with another subclass to mix calls from different subclasses
 - + FF-A calls only or mixed with SDEI, TSP, etc

```
dts-v1/;
{
    ffa {
        bias = <30>;
        ffa_msg_send_direct_req {
            bias = <30>;
            functionname = "ffa_msg_send_direct_req_funcid";
        };
        ffa_msg_send_direct_resp {
            bias = <30>;
            functionname = "ffa_msg_send_direct_resp_funcid";
        };
        ffa_features_feat_id {
            bias = <15>;
            functionname = "ffa_features_feat_id_funcid";
        };
        ffa_features_func_id {
            bias = <15>;
            functionname = "ffa_features_func_id_funcid";
        };
    };
};
```

Setup continued – SMC descriptor file

SMC descriptor file

```
smc: FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND_CALL
    arg1:sender_receiver
        field:sender_id:[16,31] = 0
        field:receiver_id:[0,15] = 0
    arg2:flags
        field:per_vcpu_notifications:[0,0] = 0
    arg3:notification_bitmap_lo
        field:bitmap:[0,31] = 0xAAAA
    arg4:notification_bitmap_hi
        field:bitmap:[0,31] = 0x5555
    arg5-arg17 = 0
```

FF-A specification

Table 16.11: FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND function syntax

Parameter	Register	Value
UInt32 Sender/Receiver IDs	W1	Sender and Receiver endpoint IDs. – Bit[31:16]: Sender endpoint ID. – Bit[15:0]: Receiver endpoint ID.
uInt32 Flags	W2	Notification flags. – Bit[0]: Per-vCPU notification flag (see 10.4.2 Notification binding). * b'1: All notifications in the bitmap are per-vCPU notifications * b'0: All notifications in the bitmap are global notifications – Bit[31:1]: Reserved (SBZ).
UInt32 Notification bitmap Lo	W3	Bits[31:0] of a bitmap with one or more set bits to identify the notifications which the Sender endpoint is allowed to signal.
UInt32 Notification bitmap Hi	W4	Bits[63:32] of a bitmap with one or more set bits to identify the notifications which the Sender endpoint is allowed to signal.
Other parameter registers	W5-w7 X5-x17	Reserved (SBZ)

Steps for each fuzzing call

- + Set the constraints
- + Generate arguments
- + Do SMC call
- + Retrieve generated arguments (optional)
- + Analyze/print results

Set the constraints

```
}else if (funcid == ffa_notification_bind_funcid) {  
    uint64_t sps[] = {SP_ID(1), SP_ID(2), SP_ID(3)};  
    uint64_t max_vm_id = (1 << 16) - 1;  
    uint64_t vm_ids[] = {0, max_vm_id};  
    uint64_t max_bitmap_value = 0xFFFFFFFF;  
    uint64_t bitmap_range[] = {0, max_bitmap_value};
```

Generate arguments

```
    setconstraint(FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_RANGE, vm_ids, 2, FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND_CALL_ARG1_RECEIVER_ID, mmod,  
                FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_ACCMODE);  
    setconstraint(FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_RANGE, vm_ids, 2, FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND_CALL_ARG1_SENDER_ID, mmod,  
                FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_ACCMODE);  
    setconstraint(FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_VECTOR, sps, 3, FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND_CALL_ARG1_RECEIVER_ID, mmod,  
                FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_ACCMODE);  
    setconstraint(FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_VECTOR, sps, 3, FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND_CALL_ARG1_SENDER_ID, mmod,  
                FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_ACCMODE);  
    setconstraint(FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_RANGE, bitmap_range, 2, FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND_CALL_ARG3_BITMAP, mmod,  
                FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_EXCMODE);  
    setconstraint(FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_RANGE, bitmap_range, 2, FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND_CALL_ARG4_BITMAP, mmod,  
                FUZZER_CONSTRAINT_EXCMODE);
```

SMC call

```
    struct inputparameters ip = generate_args(FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND_CALL, SMC_FUZZ_SANITY_LEVEL);  
    struct ffa_value ret = ffa_call_with_params(ip, FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND);  
  
    if(ret.fid == FFA_SUCCESS_SMC32 || ret.fid == FFA_SUCCESS_SMC64){  
        printf("FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND succeeded\n");  
    }else if (ret.fid == FFA_ERROR){  
        printf("FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND returned with FFA_ERROR code %d\n", ffa_error_code(ret));  
    }else{  
        printf("FAIL FFA_NOTIFICATION_BIND returned with 0x%lx\n", ret.fid);  
    }  
}
```

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Running with CI

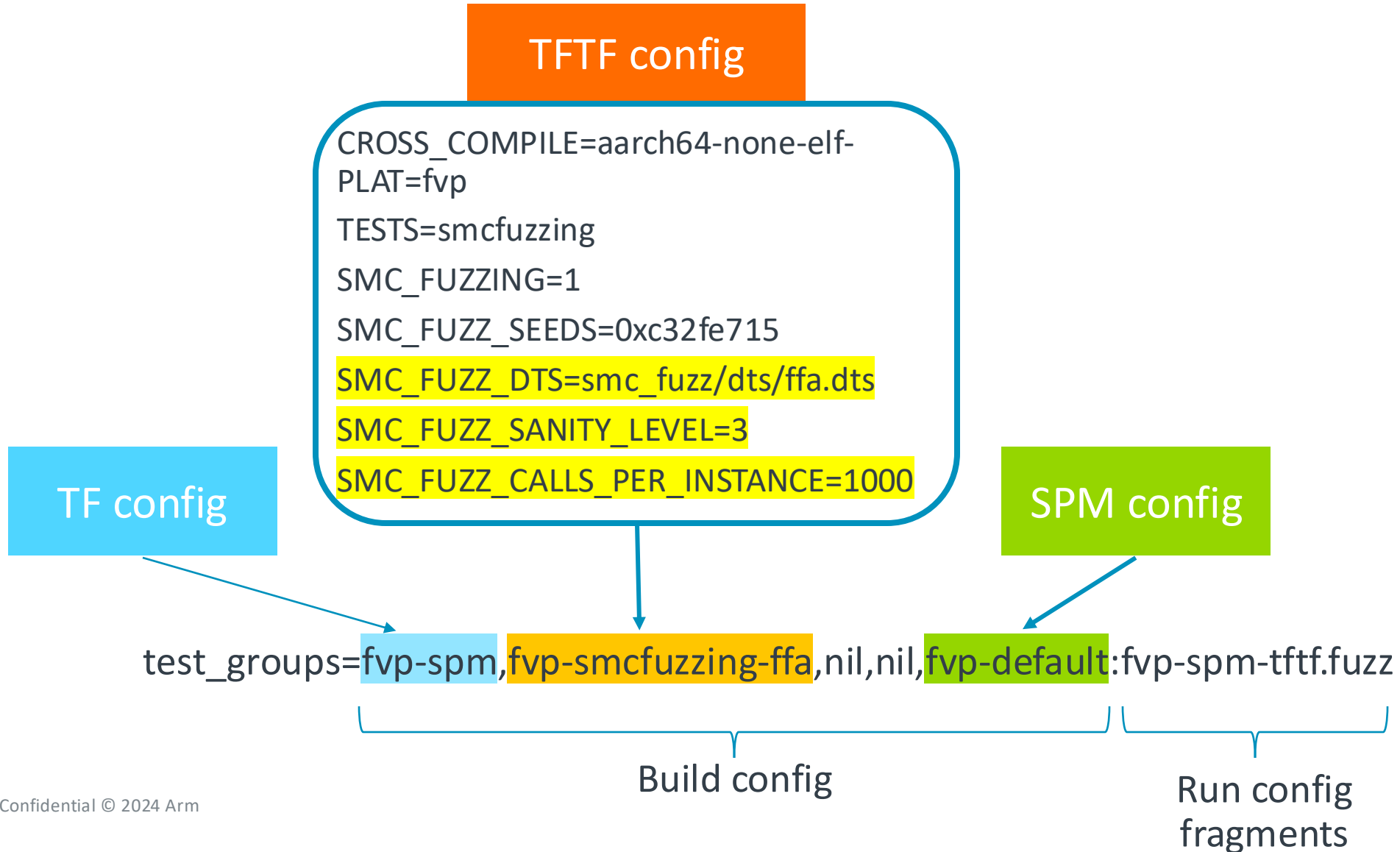


Integration with TF-A Tests and CI

- + Can reuse existing build components
- + Link with helpers from TF-A tests specific to your use case

```
}else if (funcid == ffa_msg_send_direct_req_funcid) {  
    uint64_t receiver_ids[] = {SP_ID(1), SP_ID(2), SP_ID(3)};  
    uint64_t sender_id[] = {HYP_ID};  
    uint64_t message_type[] = {0, 1};  
    uint64_t frmwrk_msg_type[] = {0,1};  
    uint64_t msg_0_input[] = {CACTUS_ECHO_CMD, CACTUS_REQ_ECHO_CMD}; /* Cactus cmd */  
    uint64_t msg_1_input[] = {100,200}; /* for echo cmds, echo_val */
```


Build Flow with Platform CI



Output

References

+ <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fuzzing>

+ Internal resources:

- Confluence page on how to add SMC instructions to the Tf-A Fuzzer

+ <https://confluence.arm.com/display/CESW/Adding+SMC+instructions+to+Fuzzer+module>

- Patches

+ FF-A [https://gerrit.oss.arm.com/q/topic:%22kc%252Ffuzz%22+\(status:open%20OR%20status:merged\)](https://gerrit.oss.arm.com/q/topic:%22kc%252Ffuzz%22+(status:open%20OR%20status:merged))

+ TF-A tests <https://gerrit.oss.arm.com/c/trusted-firmware/tf-a-tests/+285971/5>

+ Platform-CI <https://gerrit.oss.arm.com/c/pdswinf/ci/pdcs-platforms/platform-ci/+280969>

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