

arm

Fuzzing TF-RMM with AFL++

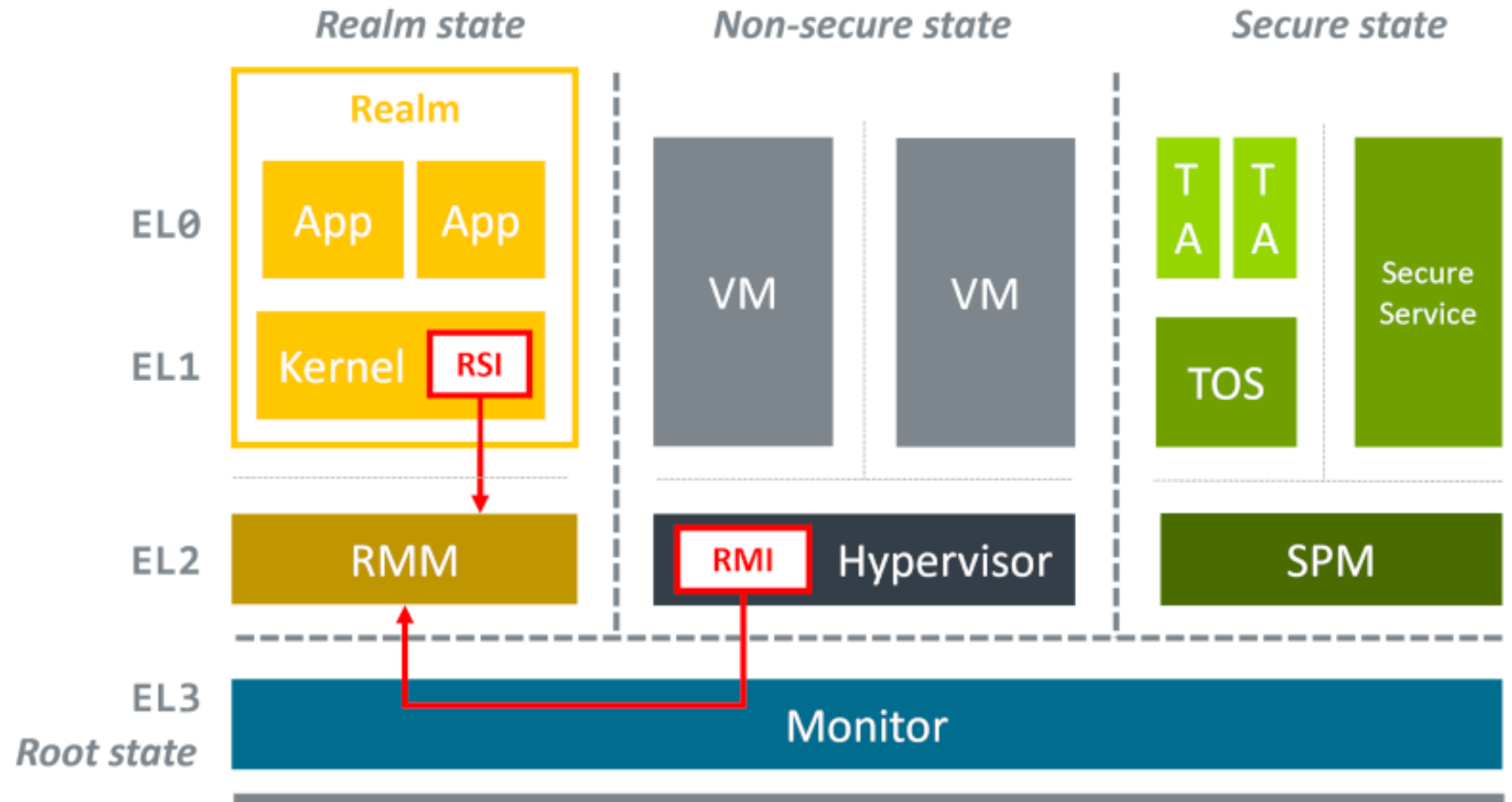
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TF-RMM

Fuzzed interfaces

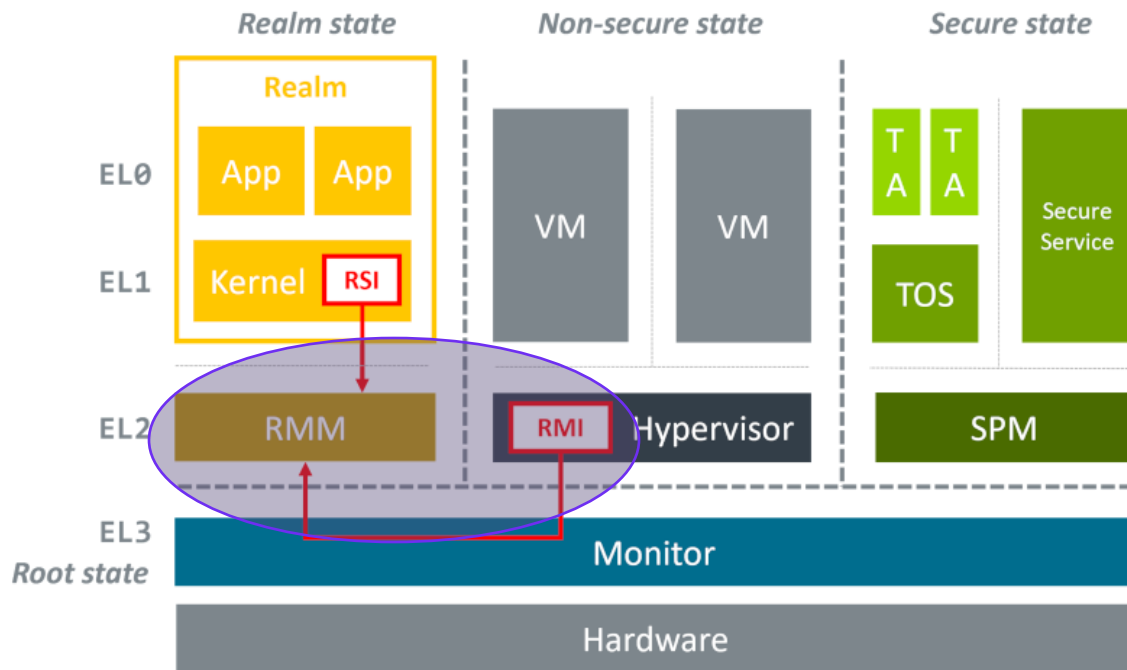
- RMI
- RSI (WIP)
- PSCI (WIP)



TF-RMM

RMI - Realm Management Interface

- RMM manages Realms
- Host calls RMM through RMI



FID	Command
0xC4000150	RMI_VERSION
0xC4000151	RMI_GRANULE_DELEGATE
0xC4000152	RMI_GRANULE_UNDELEGATE
0xC4000153	RMI_DATA_CREATE
0xC4000154	RMI_DATA_CREATE_UNKNOWN
0xC4000155	RMI_DATA_DESTROY
...	
0xC4000157	RMI_REALM_ACTIVATE
0xC4000158	RMI_REALM_CREATE
0xC4000159	RMI_REALM_DESTROY
0xC400015A	RMI_REC_CREATE
0xC400015B	RMI_REC_DESTROY
0xC400015C	RMI_REC_ENTER
0xC400015D	RMI_RTT_CREATE
0xC400015E	RMI_RTT_DESTROY
0xC400015F	RMI_RTT_MAP_UNPROTECTED
...	

TF-RMM

RMI - Realm Management Interface

- RMM behaviour depends on previous states
- Fuzzing is useful because these state combinations are hard to cover manually.

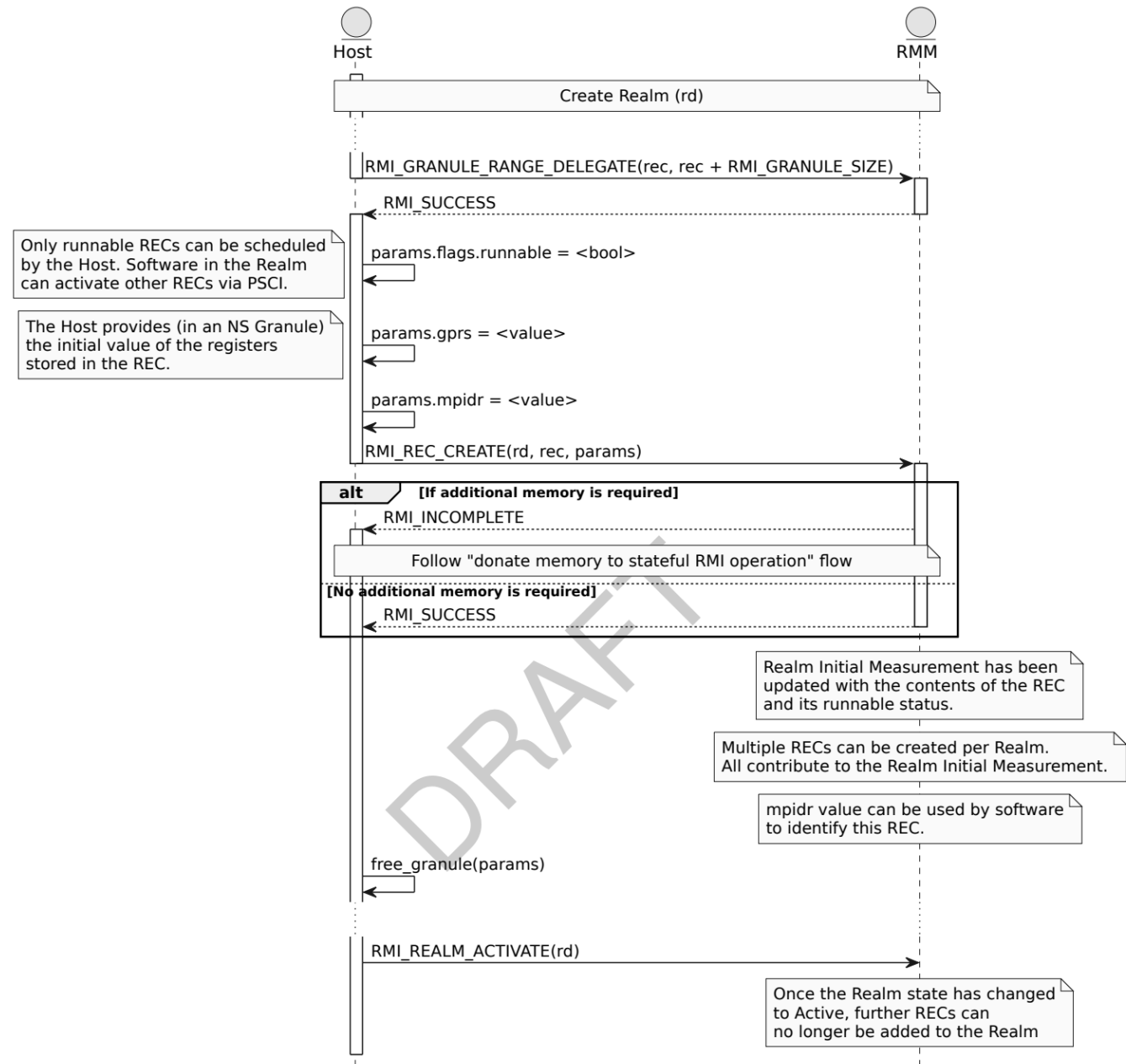
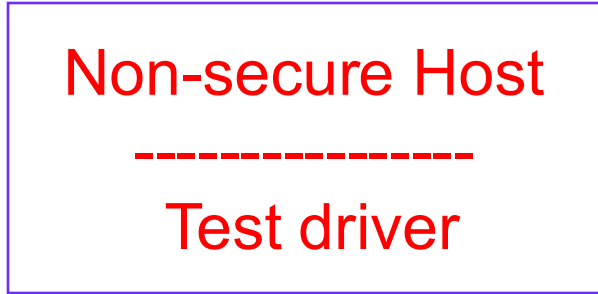


Figure D1.7: REC creation flow

RMI – command flow



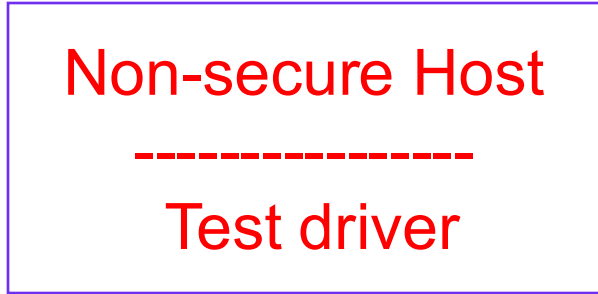
SMC exception
RMI wrapper

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                 unsigned long arg0,  
                 unsigned long arg1,  
                 unsigned long arg2,  
                 unsigned long arg3,  
                 unsigned long arg4,  
                 unsigned long arg5,  
                 struct smc_result *res){...}
```

```
HANDLER(VERSION, 1, 2, smc_version,  
HANDLER(GRANULE_DELEGATE, 1, 0, smc_granule_delegate,  
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RMI – command flow

RMI_REC_CREATE



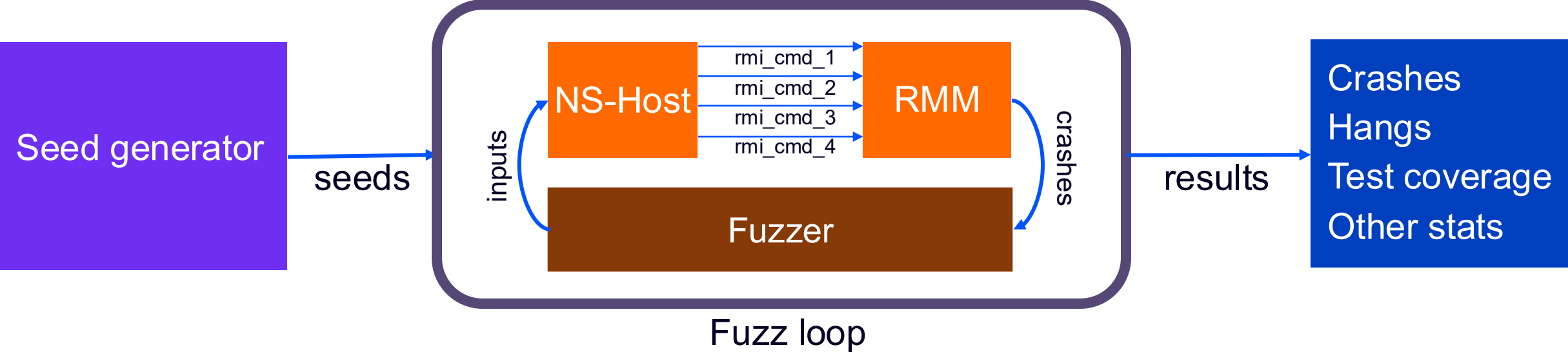
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              arg3: 0, arg4: 0, arg5: 0,  
              res);
```

```
unsigned long smc_rec_create(unsigned long rd_addr,  
                             unsigned long rec_addr,  
                             unsigned long rec_params_addr)
```

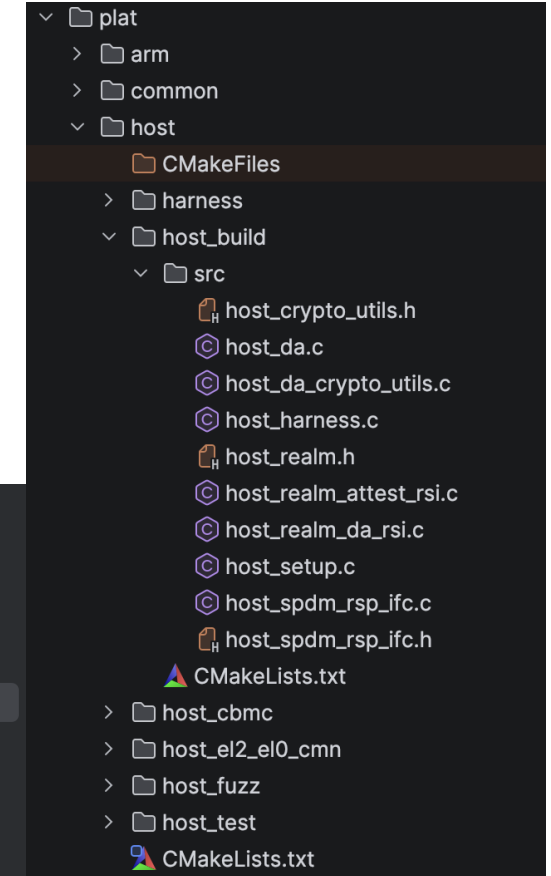
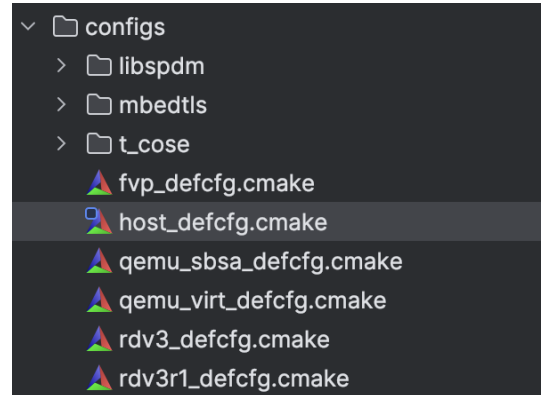
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Fuzz overview



Fake Host

- Emulates enough of the Arm platform and firmware context for RMM code
- Runs as a native process
- Quick functional test environment
- Not an accurate hardware representation



18. RMM Fake Host Build

RMM also provides a `fake_host` target architecture which allows the code to be built natively on the host using the host toolchain. To build for `fake_host` architecture, set `RMM_CONFIG=host_defcfg` during the configuration stage.

Fake Host

fake_host for fuzzing?

- Faster than full platform simulation
- Easier to instrument with AFL++
- Easier crash reproduction
- Supports coverage reporting
- Allows RMM logic to be fuzzed in-process

```
f host_util_set_sysreg_cb(char* name, rd_cb_t rd_cb, wr_cb  
f host_util_set_default_sysreg_cb(char* name, u_register_t i  
f host_util_take_sysreg_snapshot(void) -> void  
f host_util_restore_sysreg_snapshot(void) -> void  
f host_util_zero_sysregs_and_cbs(void) -> void  
f host_util_get_granule_base(void) -> unsigned long  
f host_util_get_dev_granule_base(void) -> unsigned long  
f host_util_set_cpuid(unsigned int cpuid) -> void  
f host_util_get_el3_rmm_shared_buffer(void) -> unsigned cl  
f host_util_setup_sysreg_and_boot_manifest(void) -> void  
f host_util_rec_run(unsigned long* regs) -> int  
T realm_entrypoint_t -> int(*) (unsigned long*)  
f host_util_rsi_helper(realm_entrypoint_t ep) -> int  
f process_command_line_arguments(int argc, char* argv[])
```

```
#include <smc-rmi.h>  
  
void host_rmi_version(unsigned long rmi_version, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_granule_delegate(void *granule_address, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_granule_undelegate(void *granule_address, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_data_create(void *rd, void *data, uintptr_t ipa, void *src,  
                          uint64_t flags, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_data_create_unknown(void *rd, uintptr_t data, uintptr_t ipa, struct  
void host_rmi_data_destroy(void *rd, uintptr_t ipa, struct smc_result *res);  
  
void host_rmi_realm_activate(void *rd, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_realm_create(void *rd, void *params_ptr, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_realm_destroy(void *rd, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_rec_create(void *rd, void *rec, void *params_ptr, struct smc_result  
void host_rmi_rec_destroy(void *rec, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_rec_enter(void *rec, void *run_ptr, struct smc_result *res);  
void host_rmi_rtt_create(void *rd, void *rtt, void *ipa,
```

```
void plat_setup(uint64_t x0, uint64_t x1,  
                uint64_t x2, uint64_t x3)  
{  
    (void)host_csl_init();  
  
    register_host_monitor_functions(  
        monitor_call: host_monitor_call,  
        host_monitor_call_with_res);  
  
    /* Initialize the RMM-EL3 interface */  
    if (plat_cmn_init_el3_ifc(x0, x1, x2, x3) != 0) {  
        panic();  
    }  
  
    /* Carry on with the rest of the system setup */  
    if (plat_cmn_setup(NULL, nregions:0) != 0) {  
        panic();  
    }  
  
    plat_warmboot_setup(x0, x1, x2, x3);  
}
```

RMI – host_fuzz flow

RMI_REC_CREATE

Non-secure Host



Test driver

SMC exception
RMI wrapper

```
void host_rmi_rec_create(void *rd, void *rec, void *params_ptr, struct smc_result *res)
{
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                  arg0: (uintptr_t)rd,
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                  arg2: (uintptr_t)params_ptr,
                  arg3: 0, arg4: 0, arg5: 0,
                  res);
}
```

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RMI – host_fuzz flow

RMI_REC_CREATE

Fuzz harness:

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    size_t read_res = readCorpus(argc, argv, buffer);
    execute(buffer, read_res);
}

int execute(unsigned char *buffer, size_t read_res)
    while (1) {
        switch (command) {

            case COMMAND_DATA_DESTROY: {...}

            case COMMAND_REALM_ACTIVATE: {...}

            case COMMAND_REALM_CREATE: {...}

            case COMMAND_REALM_DESTROY: {...}

            case COMMAND_REC_CREATE: {...}

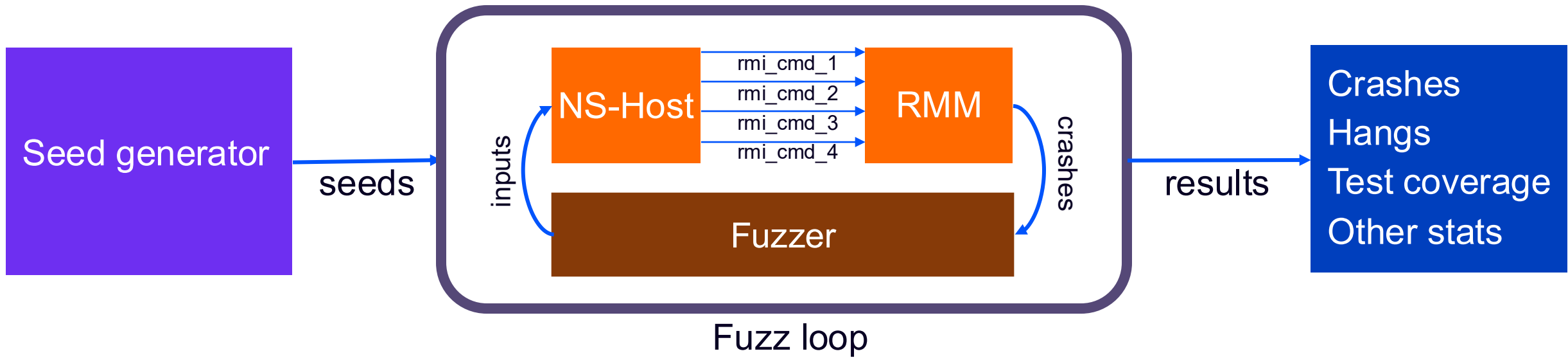
            case COMMAND_REC_DESTROY: {...}
        }
    }
}
```

```
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```

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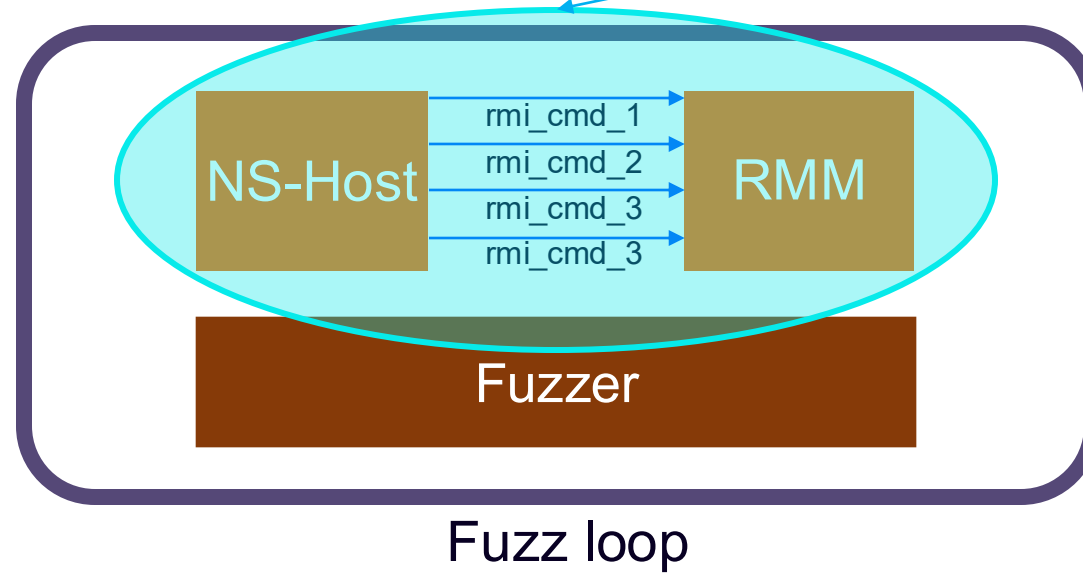
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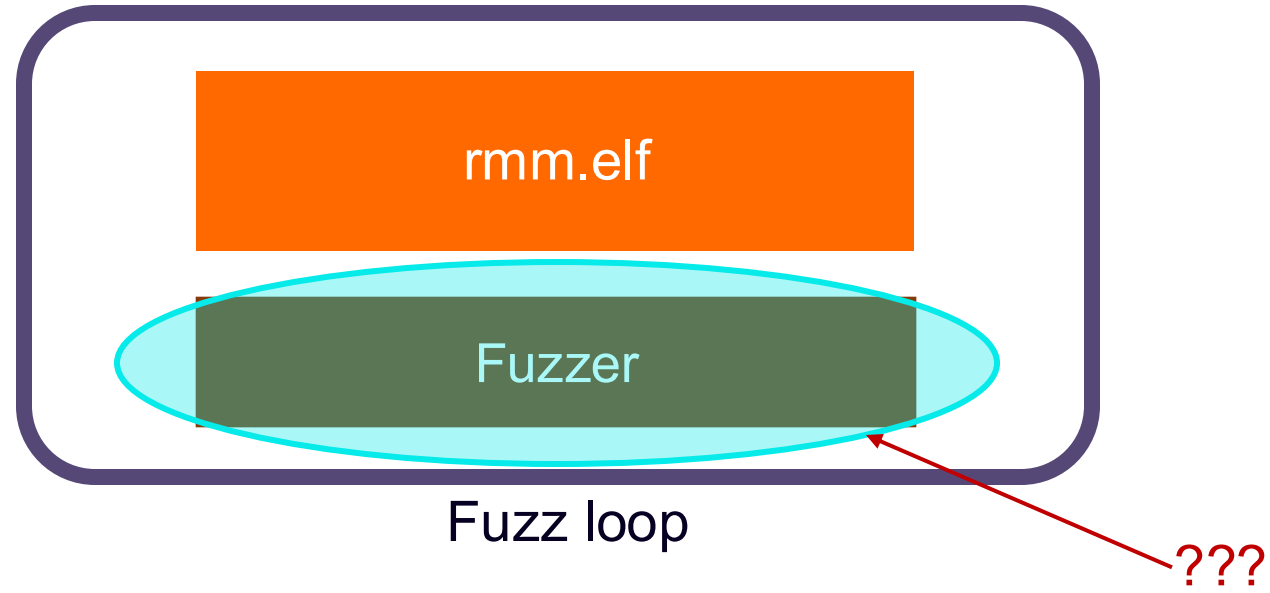


Target

Host_fuzz (fake_host + fuzz harness + RMM)



Fuzzer?



AFL++

“... a superior fork to Google's AFL - more speed, more and better mutations, more and better instrumentation, custom module support, etc.”

- Actively maintained
- Parallelizable
- Persistent mode*

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Code

vanhauser-thc Merge pull request #2401 from AFLplusplus/dev c340a02 3 days ago 7,444 Commits

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benchmark	Update COMPARISON.md	7 months ago
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docs	v4.32c	3 days ago
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include	v4.32c	3 days ago
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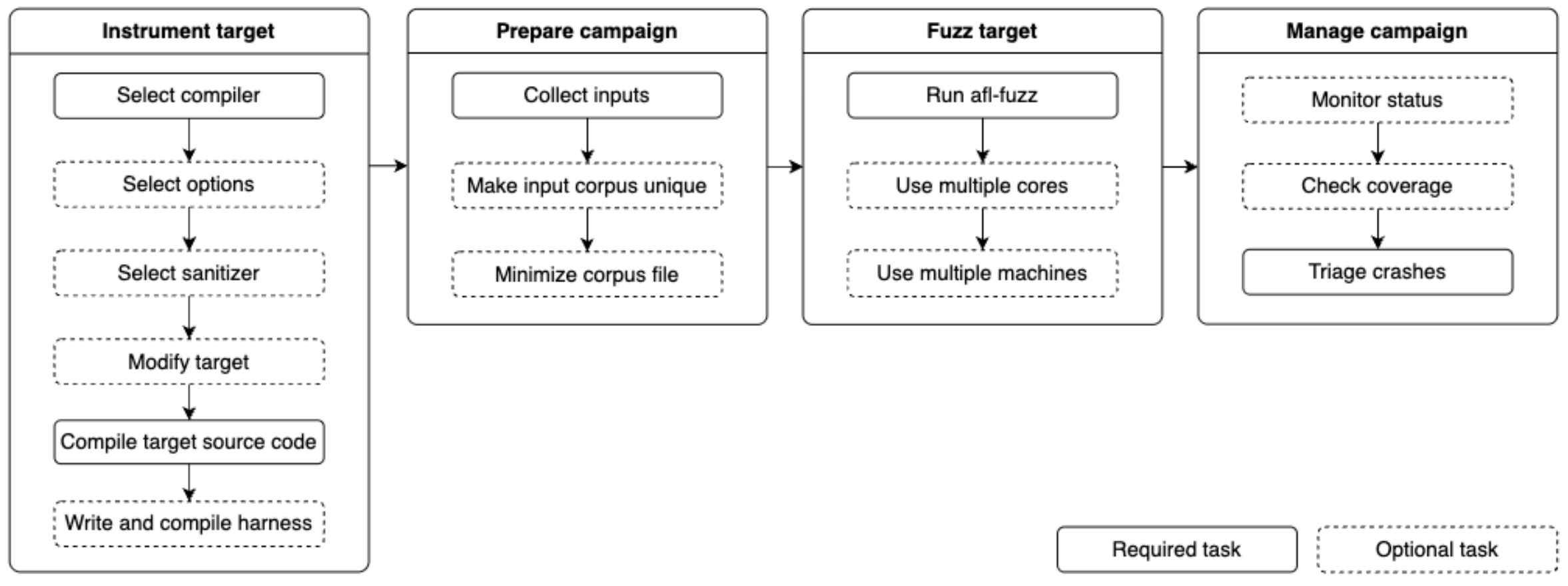
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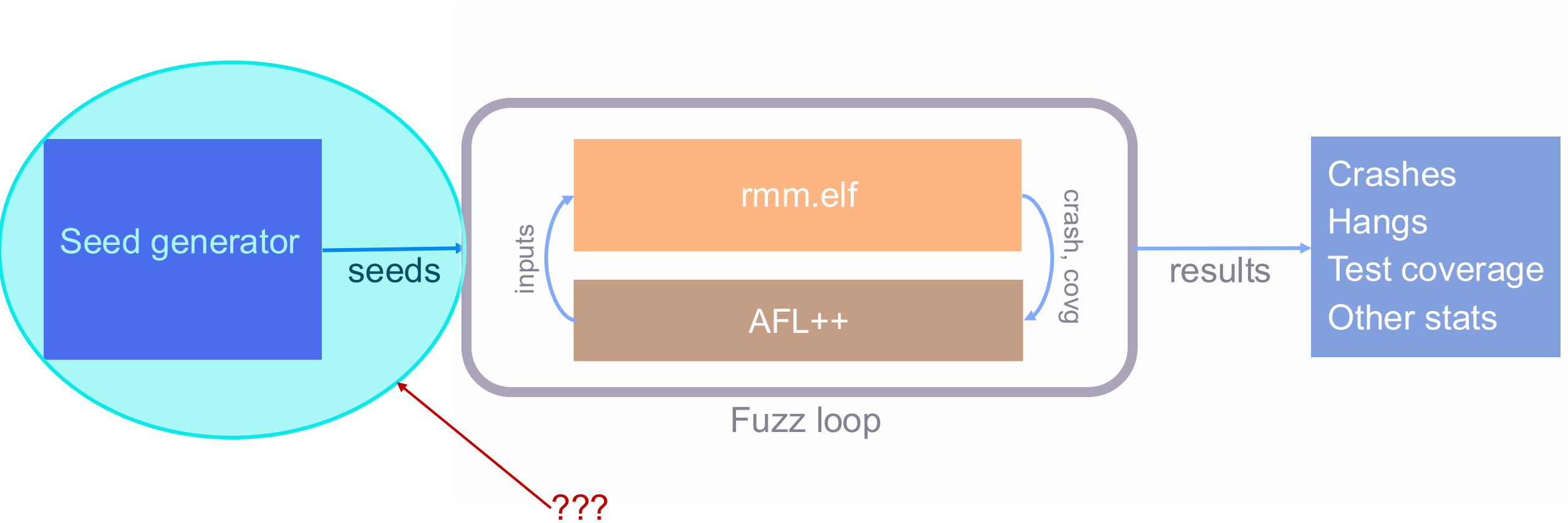
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Fuzzing steps



Seeds



Input binaries

scapy

```
class RecCreate(Packet):
    name = "Rec create"
    fields_desc = [
        ByteField("rd_index", default: 0),
        ByteField("rec_index", default: 0),
        ByteField("param_index", default: 0),
        LELongField("flags", default: 0),
        LELongField("mpidr", default: 0),
        # LELongField("pc", 0),
        LELongField("num_aux", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index0", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index1", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index2", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index3", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index4", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index5", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index6", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index7", default: 0),
        ByteField("aux_index8", default: 0),
```

```
bind_layers(RMI, AllocateGranule, command=99)
bind_layers(RMI, InitRsi, command=98)

bind_layers(RMI, Version, command=0)
bind_layers(RMI, GranuleDelegate, command=1)
bind_layers(RMI, GranuleUndelegate, command=2)
bind_layers(RMI, DataCreate, command=3)
bind_layers(RMI, DataCreateUnknown, command=4)
bind_layers(RMI, DataDestroy, command=5)
# < reserved command 6>
bind_layers(RMI, RealmActivate, command=7)
bind_layers(RMI, RealmCreate, command=8)
bind_layers(RMI, RealmDestroy, command=9)
bind_layers(RMI, RecCreate, command=10)
bind_layers(RMI, RecDestroy, command=11)
bind_layers(RMI, RecEnter, command=12)
bind_layers(RMI, RTTCreate, command=13)
bind_layers(RMI, RTTDestroy, command=14)
bind_layers(RMI, RTTMapUnprotected, command=15)
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
    packets = []

    packets.append(Version(req=0x00010000))
    packets.append(Features(index=1))

    rd = 0
    rec = 1

    packets.append(AllocateGranule(index=rd))
    packets.append(AllocateGranule(index=rec))

    packets.append(GranuleDelegate(index=rd))
    packets.append(GranuleDelegate(index=rec))

    packets.append(GranuleUndelegate(index=rd))
    packets.append(GranuleUndelegate(index=rec))

    import os
    import sys

    os.makedirs(os.path.dirname(sys.argv[1]), exist_ok=True)
    with open(sys.argv[1], "wb") as f:
        for p in packets:
            rmi_packet = RMI() / p
            f.write(raw(rmi_packet))
```

```
00000000: 0000 0001 0000 0000 0015 0100 0000 6300 .....C.
00000010: 6301 0100 0101 0200 0201 .....C.....
```

Input binaries

Stateful fuzzing

- RMM behavior depends on previous calls
- Calls may require objects to already exist
- Object states:
 - delegated vs undelegated granules
 - active vs inactive realm
 - mapped vs unmapped RTT entries
 - REC created vs destroyed
- Valid seeds help AFL reach deeper states

```
# Allocate source granules (NS - used to seed data map)
packets.append(AllocateGranule(index=src))
packets.append(AllocateGranule(index=src2))

# --- Realm create ---
# s2sz=0x30 (48-bit PA), rtt_level_start=0 means 4-level walk starting
# from L0; rtt_num_start=1 means one L0 RTT entry (rtt[0]).
packets.append(
    RealmCreate(rd_index=rd, param_index=realm_params,
               s2sz=0x30, num_bps=1, num_wps=1,
               rtt_base_index=rtt_base, rtt_level_start=0, rtt_num_start=1))

# --- Create RTT sub-tables for protected IPA 0 (levels 1, 2, 3) ---
for level in range(1, 4):
    packets.append(RTTCreate(rd_index=rd, rtt_index=rtt_base + level,
                           ipa=0, level=level))

# --- Create RTT sub-tables for unprotected IPA 2**47 (levels 1, 2, 3) ---
for level in range(1, 4):
    packets.append(RTTCreate(rd_index=rd, rtt_index=rtt_base + 3 + level,
                           ipa=UNPROTECTED_IPA, level=level))

# --- Map data granules into the protected IPA space ---
packets.append(RTTReadEntry(rd_index=rd, ipa=0, level=1))
packets.append(RttInitRipas(rd_index=rd,
                           base=REALM_DATA_IPA,
                           top=REALM_DATA_IPA + 2 * GRANULE_SIZE))
packets.append(RttDataMapInit(rd_index=rd, data_index=realm_data,
                              ipa=REALM_DATA_IPA, src=src))
packets.append(RttDataMapInit(rd_index=rd, data_index=realm_data2,
                              ipa=REALM_DATA_IPA + GRANULE_SIZE, src=src2))

# --- Create REC then drive SRO protocol to donate aux granules ---
packets.append(RecCreate(rd_index=rd, rec_index=rec,
                        param_index=rec_params, flags=0x1))
packets.append(SroDonate(count=0))
packets.append(SroContinue(flags=0))

# --- Activate realm ---
packets.append(RealmActivate(rd_index=rd))

# --- Map an NS (unprotected) page for the realm to use ---
packets.append(RTTMapUnprotected(rd_index=rd, ipa=UNPROTECTED_IPA,
                                level=3, desc=0b1100))

# --- Enter realm ---
packets.append(RecEnter(rec_index=rec, run_index=rec_run))

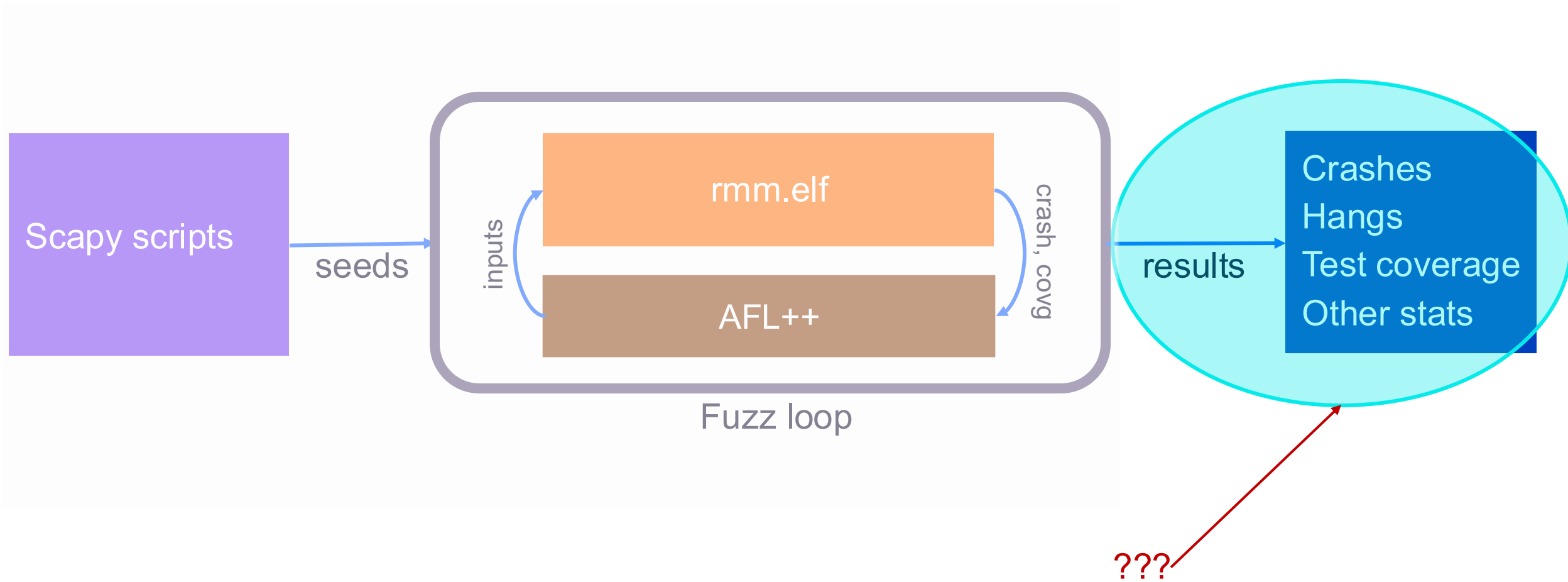
# --- Teardown ---
# Unmap unprotected entry
packets.append(RTTUnmapUnprotected(rd_index=rd, ipa=UNPROTECTED_IPA, level=3))
```

Run RMM binary with input binary

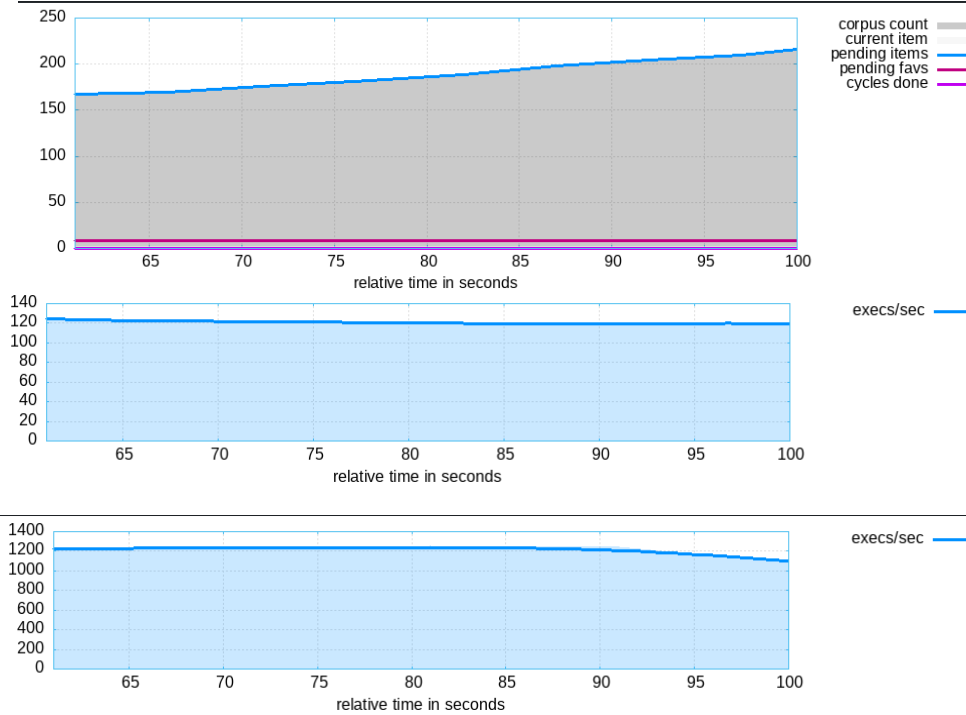
Typical host_fuzz cli use

```
_FH: AllocateGranule(index = 0x1),  
(venv) rusism01@e129829:/data/rusism01/workspace/source/tfx/rmm$ ./_Fuzz/builds/dd/Debug/rmm.elf _Fuzz/builds/dd/smc_corpus/min.bin  
Booting RMM v.0.6.0(debug) tf-rmm-v0.6.0-106-g7a12bf0-dirty Built: Apr 28 2025 18:27:55 with Clang 14.0.0  
RMM-EL3 Interface v.0.4  
Boot Manifest Interface v.0.3  
RMI ABI revision v1.0  
RSI ABI revision v1.0  
_FH: Version(req = 0x10000),  
SMC_RMI_VERSION          10000 > RMI_SUCCESS 10000 10000  
RMI interface version: Low: 1.0 High: 1.0  
_FH: Features(index = 0x1),  
SMC_RMI_FEATURES        1 > RMI_SUCCESS 0  
Feature register value: 0x00000000  
_FH: AllocateGranule(index = 0x0),  
_FH: AllocateGranule(index = 0x1),  
_FH: GranuleDelegate(index = 0x0),  
_FH: GranuleDelegate(index = 0x1),  
_FH: GranuleUndelegate(index = 0x0),  
_FH: GranuleUndelegate(index = 0x1),
```

Outputs



Coverage and stats



GCC Code Coverage Report

Directory: ./
 Date: 2026-05-13 18:12:47
 Coverage: low: ≥ 0% medium: ≥ 75.0% high: ≥ 90.0%

	Coverage	Exec	Excl	Total
Lines:	44.4%	7198	0	16209
Functions:	53.1%	751	0	1413
Branches:	30.2%	2417	0	8016

List of functions

File	Lines	Functions	Branches
app/common/el0_app/src/el0_app_helpers.c	0.0%	0/0/23	0.0%
app/common/el0_app/src/fake_host/el0_app_arch.c	0.0%	0/0/224	0.0%
app/common/framework/src/fake_host/app.c	77.6%	204/0/263	76.5%
app/common/framework/src/fake_host/app_header.c	88.9%	32/0/36	100.0%
app/common/rmm_svc/src/app_services.c	30.4%	84/0/276	30.8%
app/device_assignment/el0_app/spdm_requester/rmm_libspdm_config.h	0.0%	0/0/5	0.0%
app/device_assignment/el0_app/src/dev_assign_cmds.c	0.0%	0/0/136	0.0%
app/device_assignment/el0_app/src/dev_assign_el0_app.c	0.0%	0/0/826	0.0%
app/device_assignment/el0_app/src/dev_assign_helper.c	0.0%	0/0/34	0.0%
app/device_assignment/el0_app/src/dev_assign_ide_cmds.c	0.0%	0/0/290	0.0%
app/device_assignment/el0_app/src/dev_tdisp_cmds.c	0.0%	0/0/150	0.0%
app/device_assignment/el0_app/src/fake_host/dev_assign_app_host.c	0.0%	0/0/3	0.0%
app/device_assignment/el0_app/src/rme_dvsec.c	0.0%	0/0/139	0.0%
app/device_assignment/rmm_stub/src/dev_assign_app_stub.c	0.0%	0/0/105	0.0%
app/random/el0_app/src/fake_host/random_app_host.c	0.0%	0/0/3	0.0%
app/random/el0_app/src/random_app.c	0.0%	0/0/52	0.0%
app/random/rmm_stub/src/app_support/random_app.c	85.9%	79/0/92	87.5%
lib/addr_list/include/addr_list.h	100.0%	4/0/4	100.0%
lib/addr_list/src/addr_list.c	83.1%	162/0/195	100.0%
lib/addr_list/src/addr_list_prv.h	100.0%	57/0/57	100.0%
lib/arch/include/arch_features.h	69.0%	80/0/116	77.8%
lib/arch/include/arch_helpers.h	41.9%	98/0/234	38.2%
lib/arch/include/esr.h	9.1%	3/0/33	14.3%
lib/arch/include/fake_host/atomics.h	71.9%	41/0/57	70.0%
lib/arch/include/fake_host/cpuid.h	100.0%	3/0/3	100.0%
lib/arch/include/fake_host/entropy.h	100.0%	4/0/4	100.0%
lib/arch/include/fake_host/memory.h	-%	0/0/0	-%
lib/arch/include/fake_host/spinlock.h	100.0%	8/0/8	100.0%
lib/arch/include/simd.h	0.0%	0/0/8	0.0%
lib/arch/src/arch_features.c	80.5%	136/0/169	100.0%
lib/arch/src/fake_host/cache_wrappers.c	66.7%	10/0/15	66.7%
lib/arch/src/fake_host/instr_helpers.c	100.0%	9/0/9	100.0%
lib/arch/src/fake_host/simd_helpers.c	0.0%	0/0/59	0.0%
lib/arch/src/include/simd_private.h	0.0%	0/0/6	0.0%
lib/arch/src/pauth.c	72.3%	34/0/47	75.0%
lib/arch/src/pmu.c	0.0%	0/0/104	0.0%
lib/arch/src/simd.c	20.2%	45/0/223	42.9%
lib/arch/src/vmid.c	81.7%	49/0/60	100.0%
lib/common/include/bitmap.h	77.8%	7/0/9	100.0%
lib/common/include/status.h	100.0%	14/0/14	100.0%
lib/console/src/console.c	31.8%	7/0/22	33.3%
lib/debug/src/backtrace.c	0.0%	0/0/4	0.0%
lib/gic/include/gic.h	0.0%	0/0/3	0.0%
lib/gic/src/gic.c	29.6%	50/0/169	33.3%
lib/glob_data/src/glob_data.c	67.7%	113/0/167	90.0%
lib/granule/include/dev_granule.h	0.0%	0/0/31	0.0%
lib/granule/include/fake_host/granule_lock.h	50.0%	9/0/18	50.0%
lib/granule/include/granule.h	100.0%	92/0/92	100.0%

Persistent mode

“In persistent mode, AFL++ fuzzes a target multiple times in a single forked process, instead of forking a new process for each fuzz execution. This is the most effective way to fuzz, as the speed can easily be x10 or x20 times faster without any disadvantages. All professional fuzzing uses this mode”

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    VERBOSE("RMM: Beginning of Fake Host execution\n");
    init();
#ifdef PERSISTENT_MODE
    (void)argc;
    (void)argv;

    __AFL_INIT();

    unsigned char *buffer = __AFL_FUZZ_TESTCASE_BUF;

    /* Starting AFL_LOOP */
    while (__AFL_LOOP(10000)) {
        size_t len = __AFL_FUZZ_TESTCASE_LEN;
        /* INFO("Loop: %d Len: %lu\n", loop++, len); */

        if (len < MINIMUM_LENGTH_FOR_FUZZING) {
            continue;
        }
        execute(buffer, len);
    }
#else #ifdef PERSISTENT_MODE
    unsigned char buffer[4096] = { 0 };
    size_t read_res = readCorpus(argc, argv, buffer);

    execute(buffer, read_res);
#endif #ifdef PERSISTENT_MODE #else

    VERBOSE("RMM: Fake Host execution completed\n");

    return 0;
}
```


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findings in depth
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item geometry
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Debug Fuzz: crash x
Threads & Variables Console Memory View GDB Live Watches
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  __pthread_kill_implementation 0x00007ffff7c5
  __GI_abort abort.c:79
  execute host_setup.c:768
  main host_setup.c:899
Signal = SIGABRT (Aborted)
Registers
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```
fuzz crash, what do? ;(
```



Interpreting Crashes

Explanation of recently observed crash from codex

- Reproduced in non-persistent mode with:

```
./build-f-np/Debug/rmm.elf _Fuzz/aflout/t1/m-t1/crashes/id:000000,sig:06,src:000650,time:571752,execs:404894,op:havoc,rep:3
```

The crash is a fake-host slot mapping bug exposed by this corpus, not caused by the earlier invalid `RMI_VERSION` calls.

The important sequence is:

```
REC_CREATE -> RMI_INCOMPLETE, asks for REC aux donation
SroDonate(count = 0xa) -> donates 10 aux granules, still incomplete
AllocateGranule(index = 0xc) -> consumes one granule in between
SroDonate(count = 0x0) -> donates remaining 6 aux granules
SroContinue(flags = 0) -> REC_CREATE continues and crashes
```

`REC_CREATE` explicitly does not require contiguous donated aux memory: see `runtime/rmi/rec.c:823`. But fake host maps buffers by returning the physical host address directly: `plat/host/host_fuzz/src/host_harness.c:12`.

That works only when all aux granules are physically contiguous. Here they are not: the extra `AllocateGranule(index=0xc)` between the two donate calls creates a hole.

The first 10 donated aux pages are contiguous, one unrelated page is allocated, then the final 6 donated aux pages continue after the hole.

CI Integration

- Existing workflow: `.github/workflows/fuzz_rmm.yml`
 - Builds fuzz target in AFL++ container
 - Runs parallel fuzz workers for 5min
 - Generates coverage
 - Archives fuzzing artifacts
- TF-CI job (WIP):
 - Run for longer? (15-30 mins)
 - Fail if coverage drop below XY%
 - Fail if crashes observed

```
Summary  
1 ▶ Run cat _Fuzz/summary.txt | tail -4 | head -3  
12 lines: 45.5% (6974 out of 15334)  
13 functions: 54.4% (774 out of 1422)  
14 branches: 32.5% (2501 out of 7698)
```

Limitations

- fake_host is not hardware-accurate
- Some failures may be harness artifacts
- Coverage is not proof of correctness
- Spec changes break fuzzing
- Deep protocol states still need good seed design

todo;

- Enable RSI fuzzing
- Enable PSCI fuzzing
- Check seeds for output
- Debug reported instability during calibration
- Slim the reset phase
- Refine crash triage process
 - Deduplicate
 - Minimize
 - Reproduce in CI(?)
- Custom mutator
- ...
- ...

- Consider FVP fuzzing?

	Exec	Total	Coverage
Lines:	4337	6996	62.0%
Functions:	638	875	72.9%
Branches:	1207	3400	35.5%

2025 (RMI+RSI+PSCI)

	Coverage	Exec	Excl	Total
Lines:	44.4%	7198	0	16209
Functions:	53.1%	751	0	1413
Branches:	30.2%	2417	0	8016

2026 (RMI Only)

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Scripts

Fuzz in FVP?

fuzz.env and multirun.py

- tools/fuzz/fuzz.env
 - EZ build
 - Example use: fuzzbuild 1 demo
 - Suggests commands after build
- multirun.py
 - Script for multicore fuzzing
 - Mix various scenarios
 - Used in GitHub Actions

```
[100%] Generating rmm.elf
[100%] Built target rmm

Built with -DPERSISTENT_MODE
Suggested AFL commands:
afl-fuzz -i "_Fuzz/builds/demo/smc_corpus" -o "_Fuzz/aflout/demo/" -M "m-demo" -- "./_Fu
afl-fuzz -i "_Fuzz/builds/demo/smc_corpus" -o "_Fuzz/aflout/demo/" -S "s-demo" -- "./_Fu

Fuzz for 1000 seconds:
cmake --build "_Fuzz/builds/demo" -- run-fuzzer
Benchmark for 100 seconds and generate reports:
cmake --build "_Fuzz/builds/demo" -- quick-bench

Execute with default corpus (Only for non-persistent mode):
./_Fuzz/builds/demo/Debug/rmm.elf "_Fuzz/builds/demo/smc_corpus/default.bin"

Generate coverage report:
cmake --build "_Fuzz/builds/demo" -- run-coverage
```

```
Usage: multirun.py [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...

Options:
  -h, --help  Show this message and exit.

Commands:
  bench-corpora  Benchmark corpora
  bench-sched    Benchmark schedules
  get-coverage   Get coverage report for specified build variants
  get-plots      Get afl-plot for specified build variants
  multibuild     Build multiple targets (consecutively)
  spawn          Spawn multiple fuzzers
```