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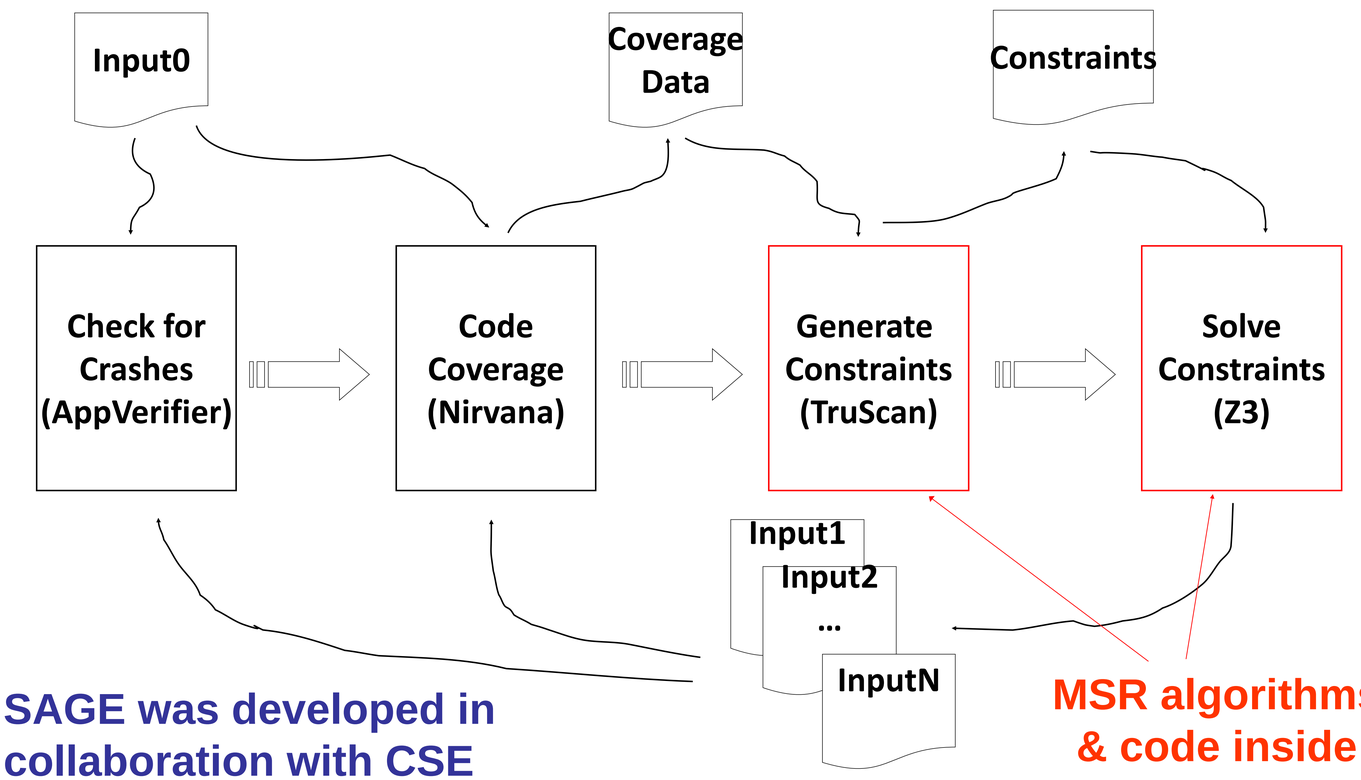
SAGE: Whitebox Fuzzing for Security Testing

Basic idea:

1. Run the program with first inputs,
2. gather constraints on inputs at conditional statements,
3. use a constraint solver to generate new test inputs,
4. repeat - possibly forever!



SAGE was developed in collaboration with CSE

MSR algorithms & code inside

Impact: since 2007

- 200+ machine years (in largest fuzzing lab in the world)
- 1 Billion+ constraints (largest SMT solver usage ever!)
- 100s of apps, 100s of bugs (missed by everything else…)
- Ex: 1/3 of all Win7 WEX security bugs found by SAGE →
- Bug fixes shipped quietly (no MSRCs) to 1 Billion+ PCs
- Millions of dollars saved (for Microsoft and the world)
- SAGE is now used daily in Windows, Office, etc.

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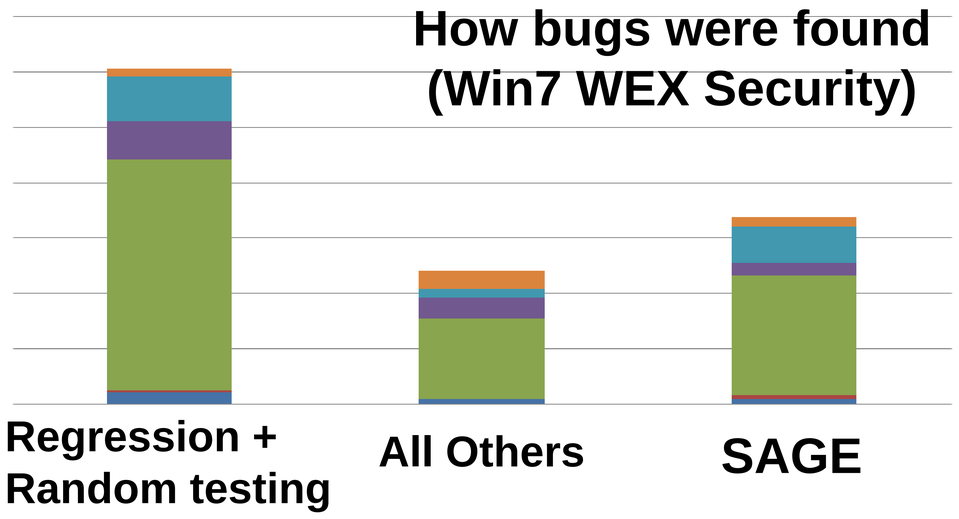
SAGE is the first whitebox fuzzer

Research Challenges:

- How to recover from imprecision ? PLDI'05, PLDI'11
- How to scale to billions of x86 instructions? NDSS'08
- How to check many properties together? EMSOFT'08
- How to leverage grammar specifications? PLDI'08
- How to deal with path explosion ? POPL'07,TACAS'08
- How to reason precisely about pointers? ISSTA'09
- How to deal with floating-point instr.? ISSTA'10
- How to deal with input-dependent loops? ISSTA'11

+ research on constraint solvers



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