



Pandora: Principled Symbolic Validation of Intel SGX Enclave Runtimes

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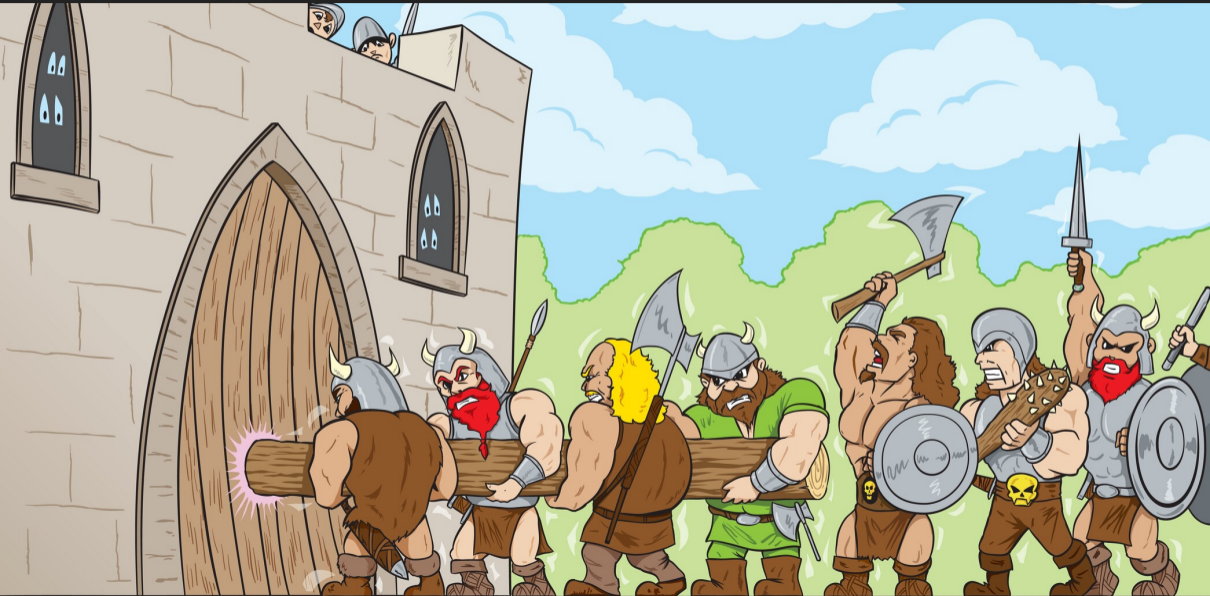
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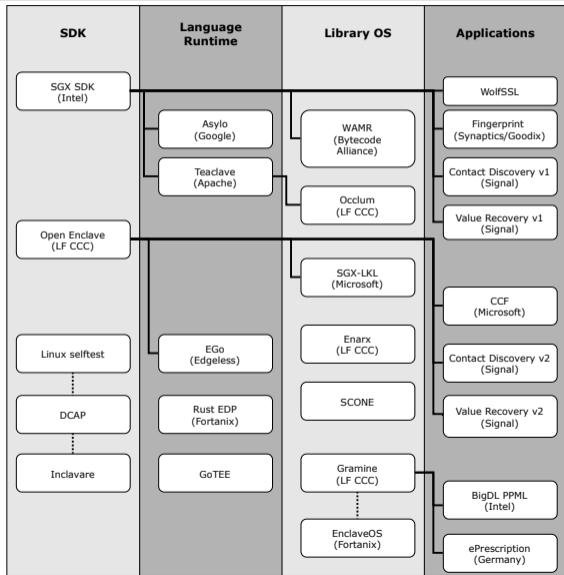


Besieging the SGX Fortress: Software Interface Attacks



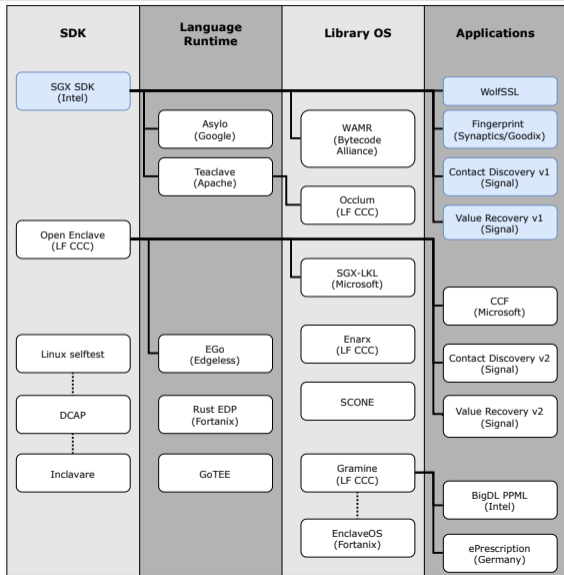


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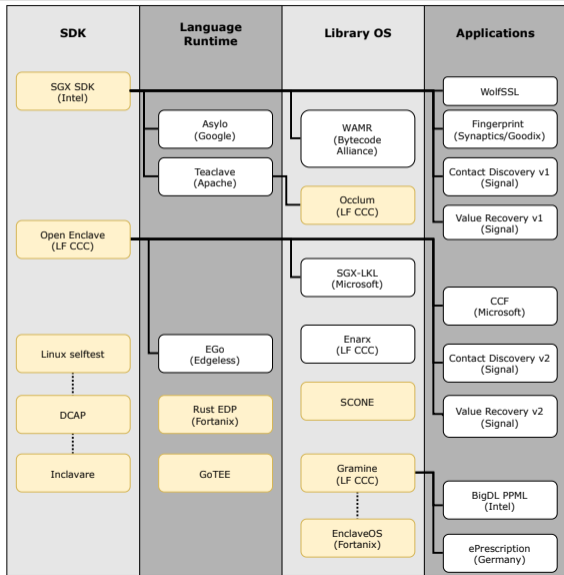
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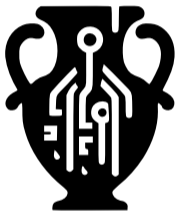


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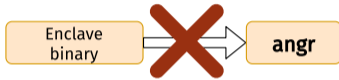


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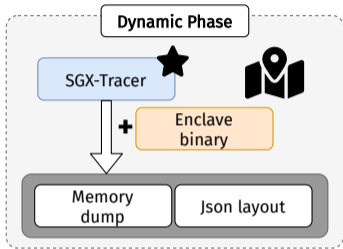


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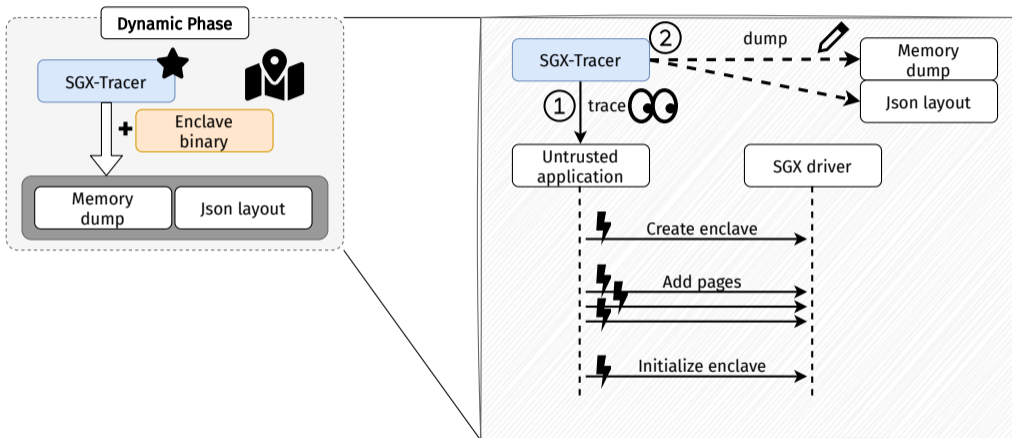
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2. Pluggable Vulnerability Detection

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Challenge: Understanding attacks + specifying adequate invariants:

- **API:** Tainted *pointers*
- **Control flow:** Tainted *jumps*
- **ABI:** Tainted CPU *control registers*
- **MMIO/ÆPIC:** Cleansing + *alignment*

Experimental Results: > 200 New Vulnerable Code Locations

Runtime	Version	Prod	Src	Plugin	Instances
EnclaveOS	3.28	✓	✗ [†]	ABISan	1
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EnclaveOS	3.28	✓	✗ [†]	EPICSan	33
EnclaveOS	3.28	✓	✗ [†]	CFSan	2
GoTEE	b35f	✗	✓	PTRSan	31
GoTEE	b35f	✗	✓	EPICSan	18
GoTEE	b35f	✗	✓	CFSan	1
Gramine	1.4	✓	✓	ABISan	1
Intel SDK	2.15.1	✓	✓	PTRSan	2
Intel SDK	2.19	✓	✓	EPICSan	22
↳ Occlum	0.29.4	✓	✓	EPICSan	11
Open Enclave	0.19.0	✓	✓	ABISan	2
Rust EDP	1.71	✓	✓	ABISan	1

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Linux selftest	5.18	✗	✓	ABISan	1
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SCONE	5.7 / 5.8	✓	✗	ABISan	2 / 1
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Unconstrained read CRITICAL RIP=0x22c3

Plugin extra info

Key	Value
Address	<BV64 0x3000 + ((attacker_mem_66_32{UNINITIALIZED}) .. 0x1) << 0x3>
Attacker tainted	True
Length	8
Pointer range	[0x3008, 0xffffffff800003008]
Pointer can wrap address space	False
Pointer can lie in enclave	True
Extra info	Read address may lie inside or outside enclave

Execution state info

- Disassembly 
- CPU registers 

Backtrace

- Basic block trace (most recent first) 

Conclusions and Outlook



[github.com/
pandora-tee](https://github.com/pandora-tee)



Truthful: **Runtime-agnostic** enclave memory model
→ *Exact attested memory layout (MRENCLAVE)*



Extensible: Validate vulnerability invariants via **plugins**
→ *ABISan, PTRSan, ÆPICSan, CFSan*



Evaluation: > 200 instances; 7 CVEs; **11 SGX runtimes**
→ *Including low-level initialization & relocation logic!*