

# Static Analysis-based Repair of Memory Errors in C Programs

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# PL/SE Research @Korea Univ.

- **Members:** ~15 graduate students
- **Research area:** intersection of programming languages (PL) and software engineering (SE)
  - program analysis and testing
  - program synthesis and repair
- **Publication:** PL, SE, and Security
  - **PL:** POPL('22), PLDI('12,'14,'20,'24), OOPSLA('15,'17a,'17b,'18a,'18b,'19,'20,'23,'24a,'24b,25)
  - **SE:** ICSE('17,'18,'19,'20,'21,'22a,'22b,'23a,'23b,'23c), FSE('18,'19,'20,'21,'22,'23), ASE('18,'24a,'24b)
  - **Security:** IEEE S&P('17,'20), USENIX Security('21,'23)



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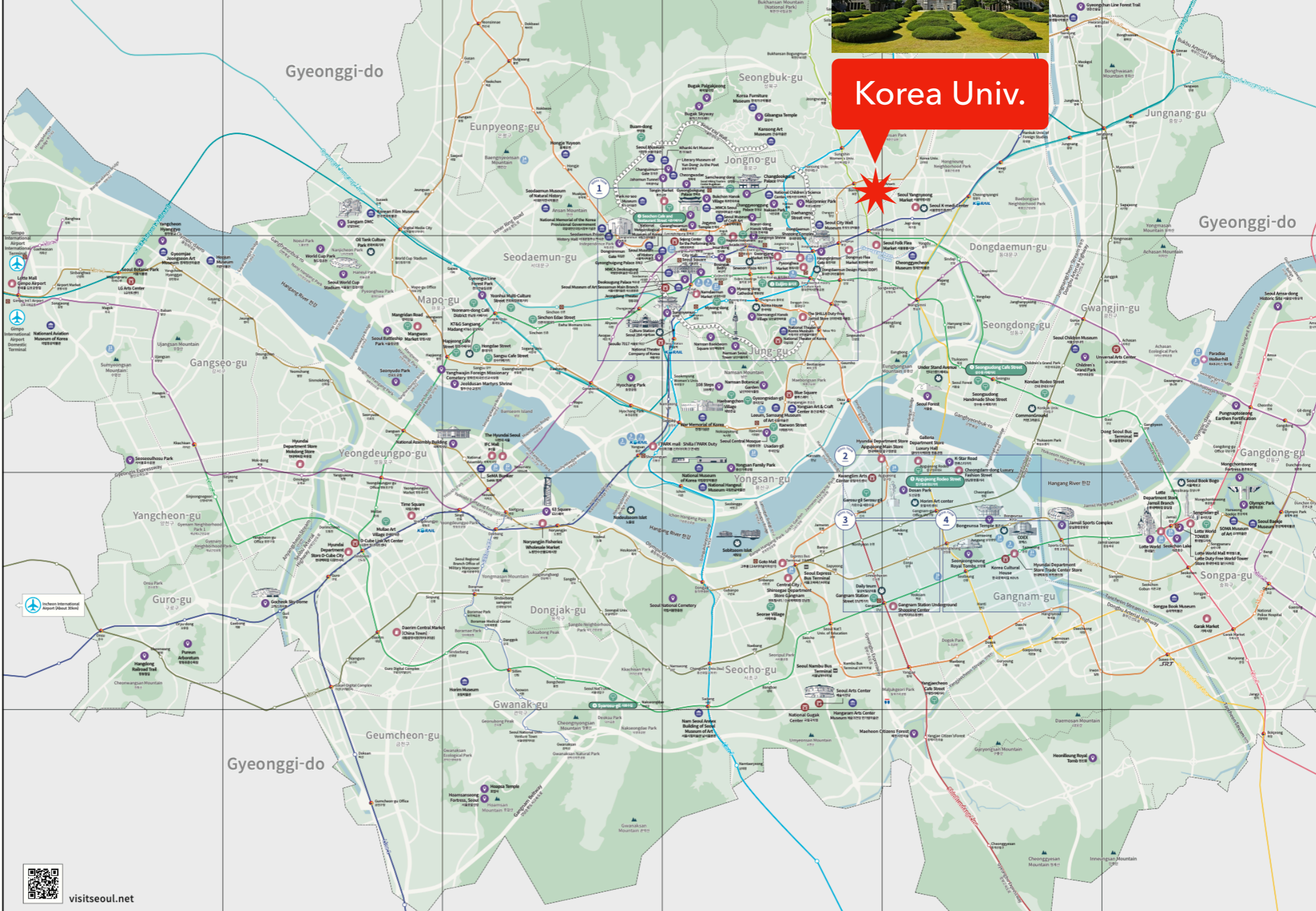
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- Significant sources of security vulnerabilities

CVE-2017-9798 Optionsbleed - Apache memory leak

 Alexandr Tumanov  
Updated 2 months ago

## Linux kernel: CVE-2017-6074: DCCP double-free vulnerability (local root)

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Hi,

This is an announcement about CVE-2017-6074 [1] which is a double-free vulnerability I found in the Linux kernel. It can be exploited to gain kernel code execution from an unprivileged processes.

### Vulnerability Details : [CVE-2017-11274](#)

Adobe Digital Editions 4.5.4 and earlier has an exploitable use after free vulnerability.  
Publish Date : 2017-08-11 Last Update Date : 2017-08-16

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### - CVSS Scores & Vulnerability Types

CVSS Score **10.0**



# Goal

- Long-term goal: Fully automated detection and repair
- This talk: SAVER, a system to automatically fix memory errors



- To be practical, SAVER is designed to be
  - **Scalable**: Capable of handling large, industry programs
  - **Precise**: Effectively fixes diverse bugs with high fix rates
  - **Safe**: Generated patches are safe, not introducing new errors

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- ✓Fast (few mins)
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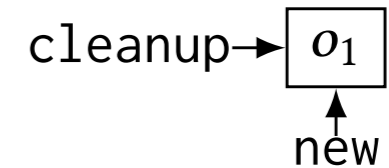
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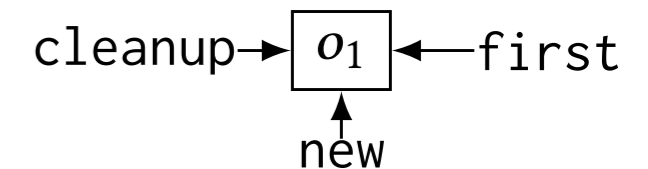
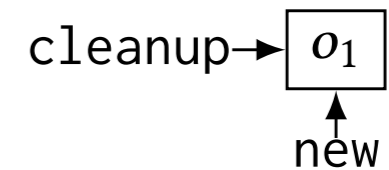
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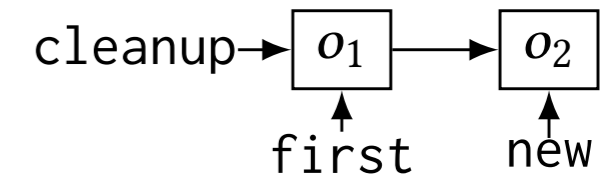
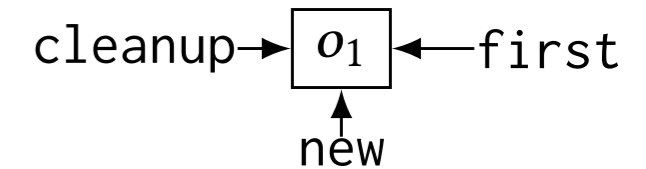
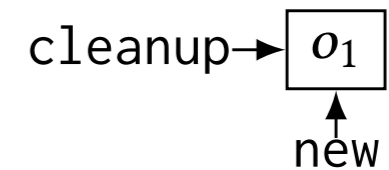
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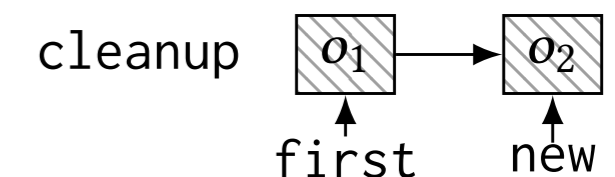
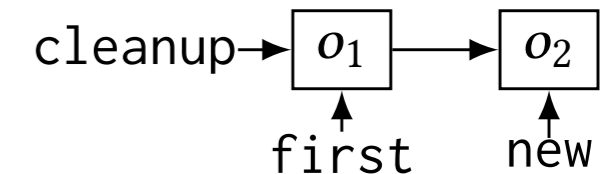
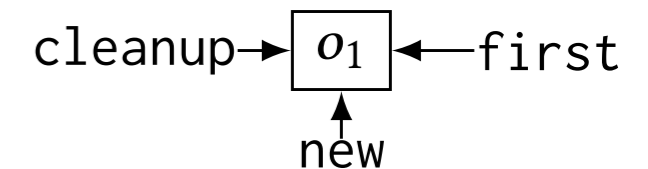
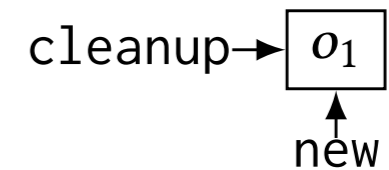
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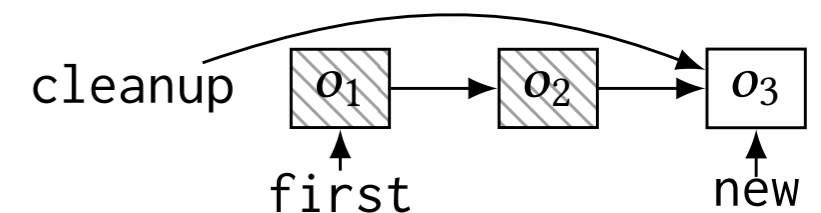
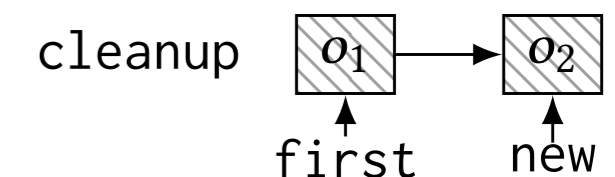
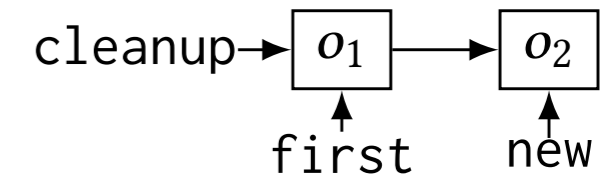
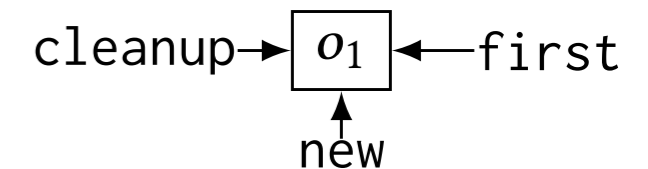
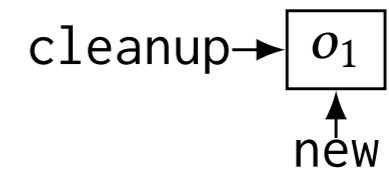
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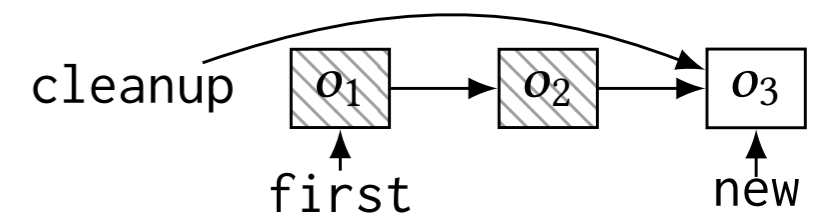
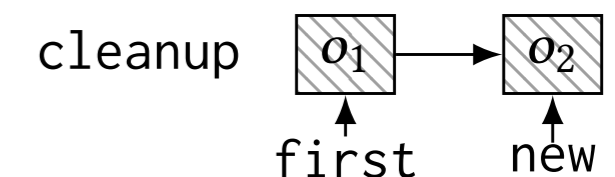
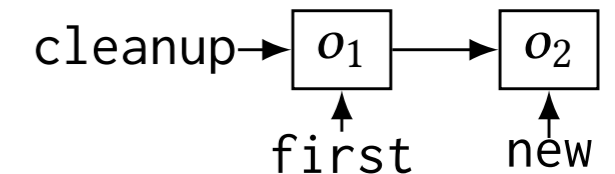
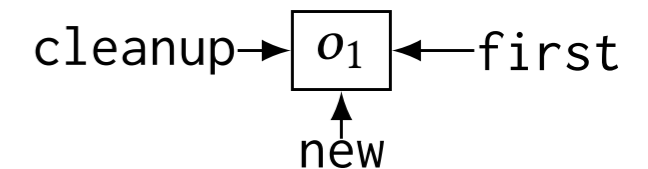
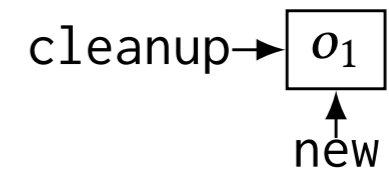
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3 for (...) {
4     struct node *new = xmalloc(sizeof(*new));
5     make_cleanup(new); // add new to the cleanup list
6     new->name = ...;
7     ...
8     if (...) {
9         first = new;
10
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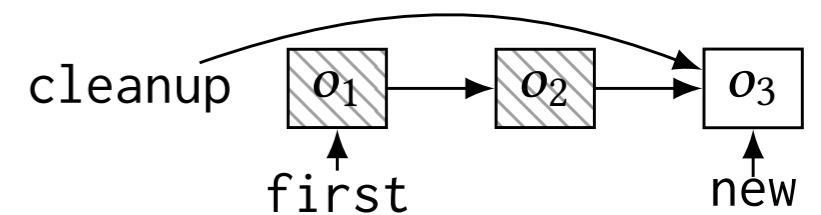
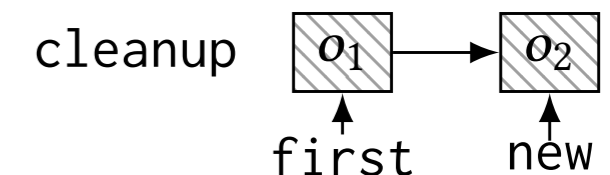
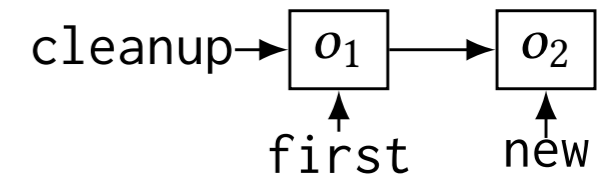
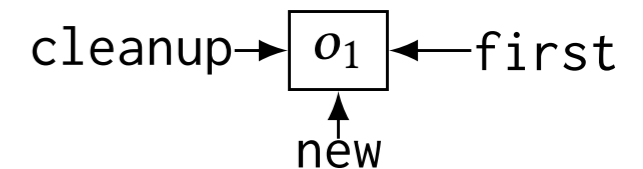
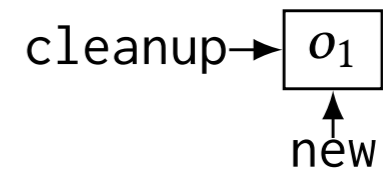


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false

use-after-free



# SAVER-Generated Patch

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6     new->name = ...;
7     ...
8     if (...) {
9         first = new;
10    (+) tmp = first->name;
11        continue;
12    }
13    /* potential use-after-free: `first->name` */
14    (-) if (first == NULL || new->name != first->name)
15    (+) if (first == NULL || new->name != tmp)
16        continue;
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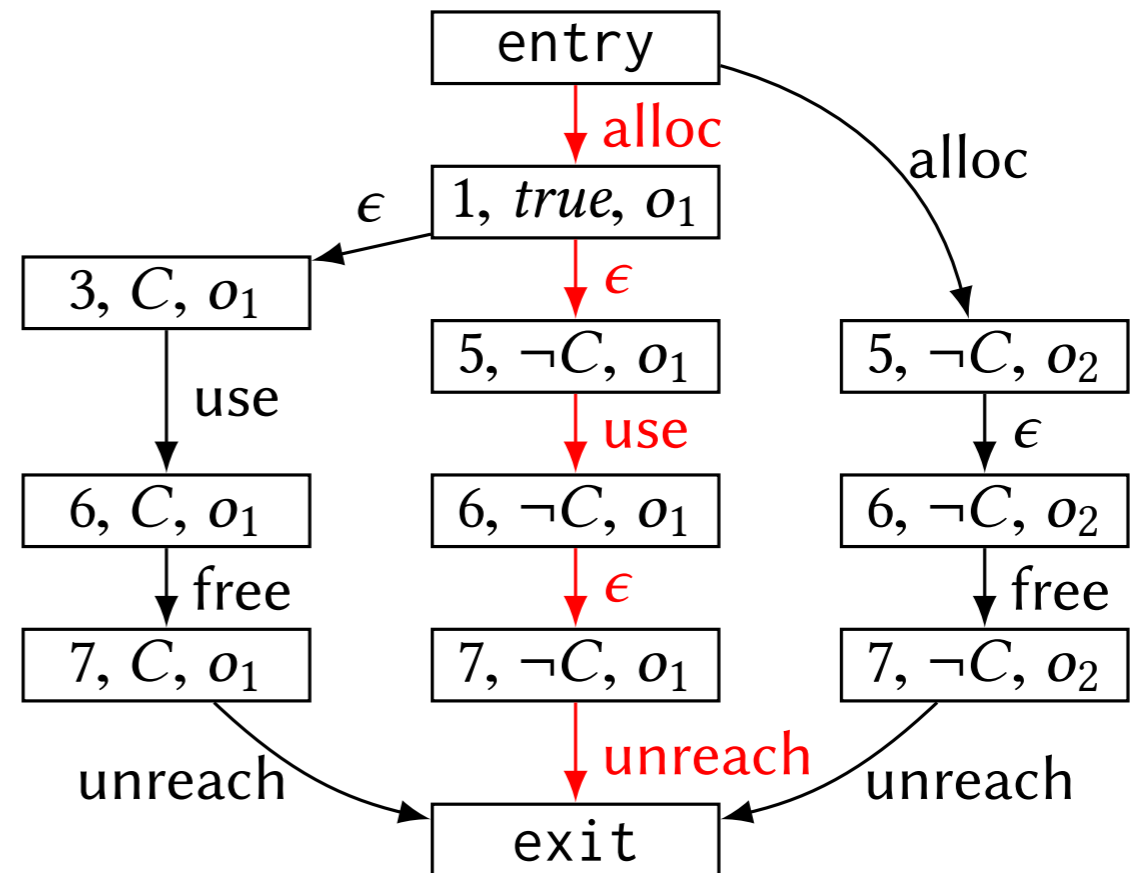
`if (!C) free(p);`

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# How SAVER Works

1. Run a static analysis to generate *object flow graph*

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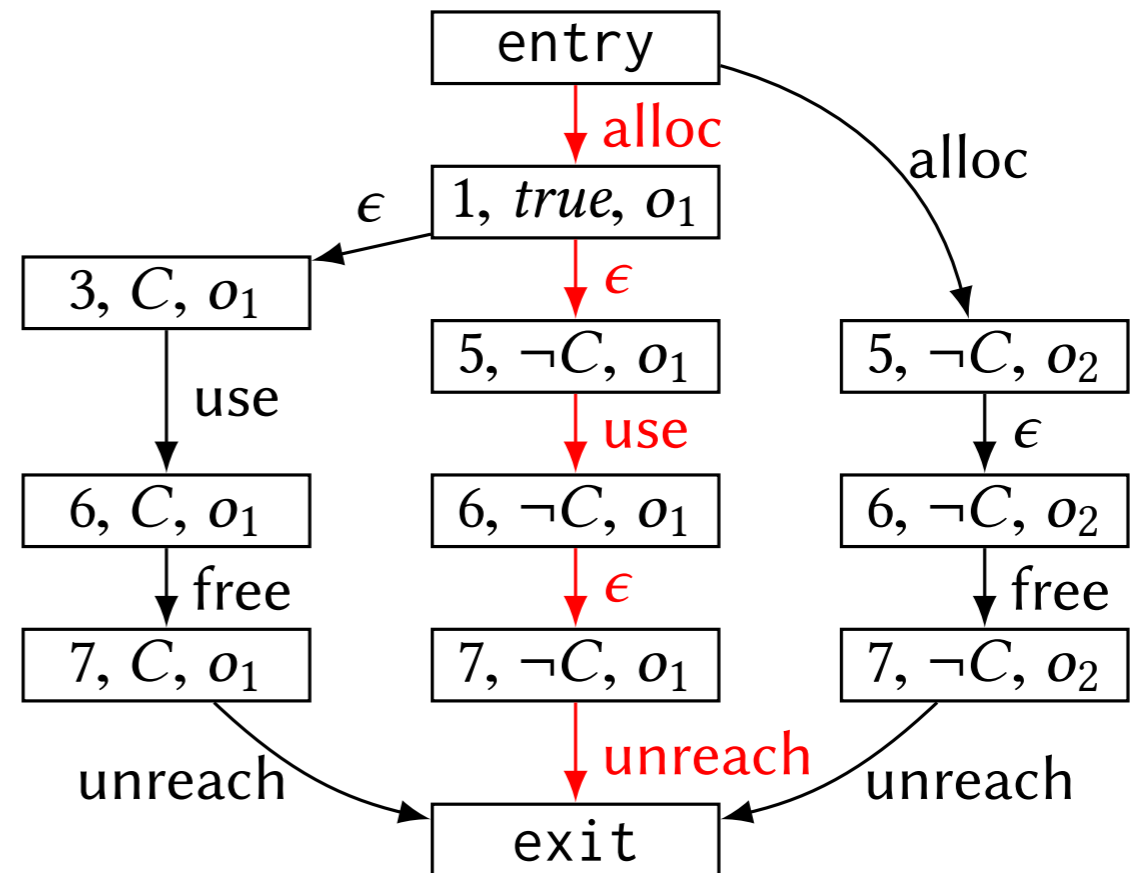
- Vertex: (program point, path condition, available heap object)
- Edge: control flow labeled w/ events that could occur for objects



# How SAVER Works

2. Relabel object flow graph to eliminate buggy paths

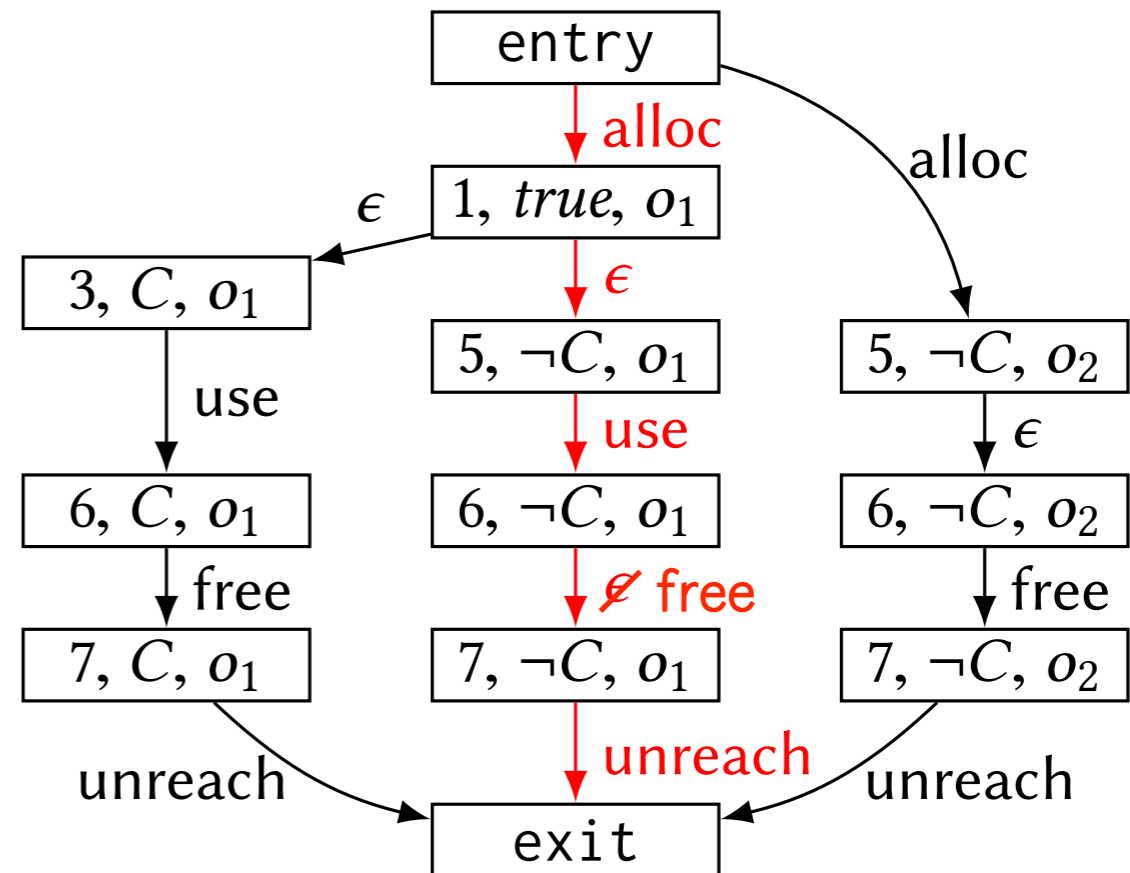
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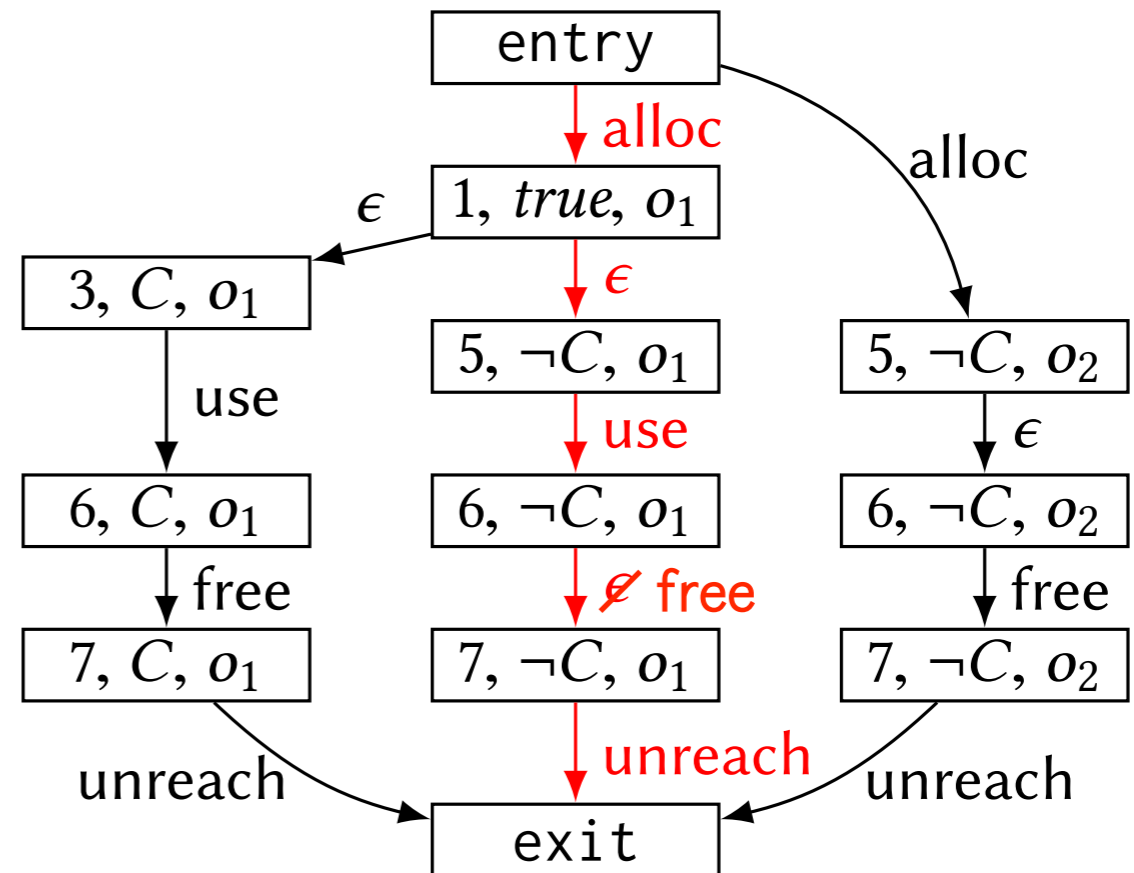
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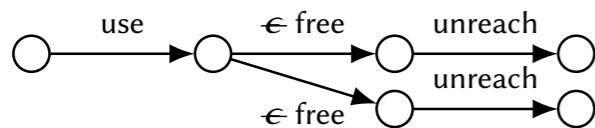
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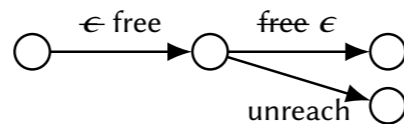
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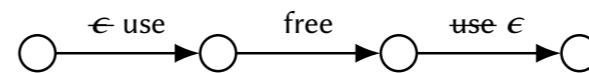
- SAVER supports four types of re-labeling strategies:



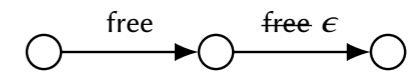
(a) Inserting free



(b) Relocating free



(c) Relocating use (dereference)

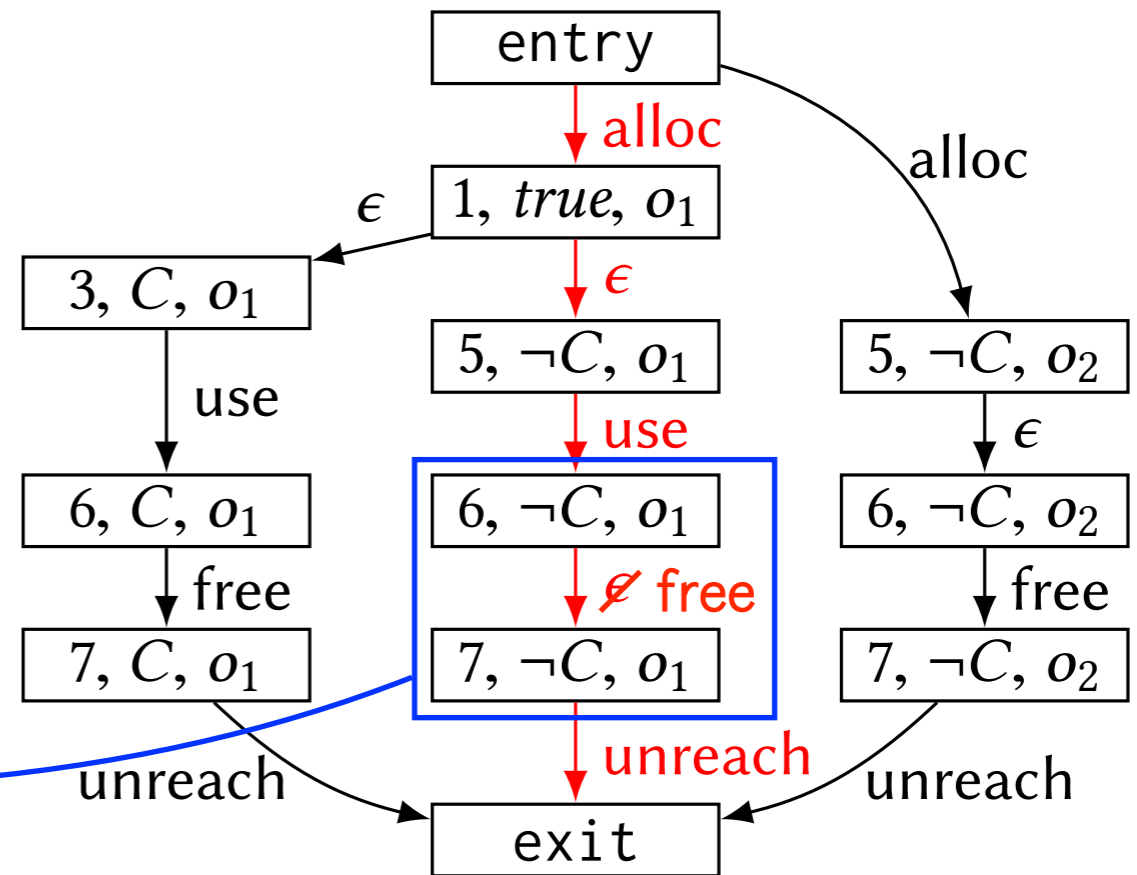


(d) Deleting free

# How SAVER Works

3. Generate a patch from the re-labeled edge

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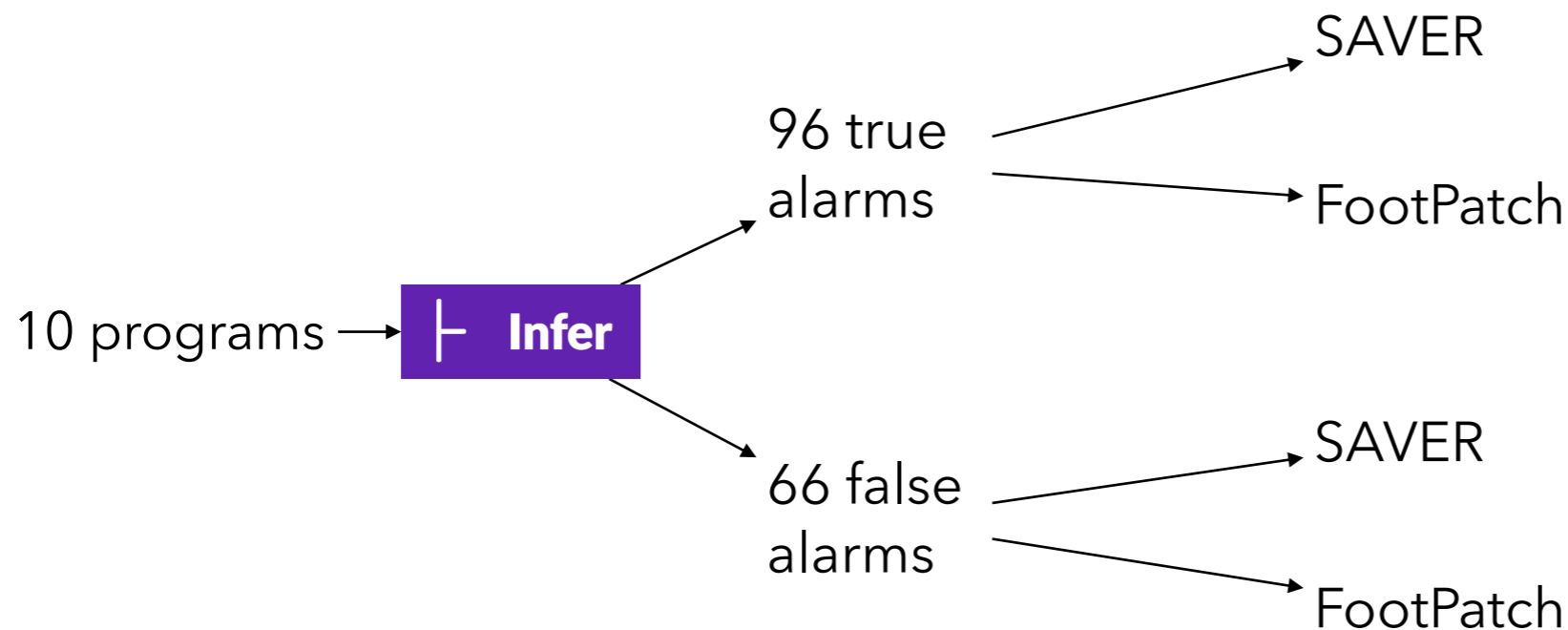
# For Deployment

- Improved scalability (in the paper)
  - Selective path sensitivity
  - Program slicing
- Improved usability (not in the paper)
  - Build failures
  - Robust translation from IR-level patches to source-level

# Effectiveness

Existing memory error repair tool [ICSE 2018]

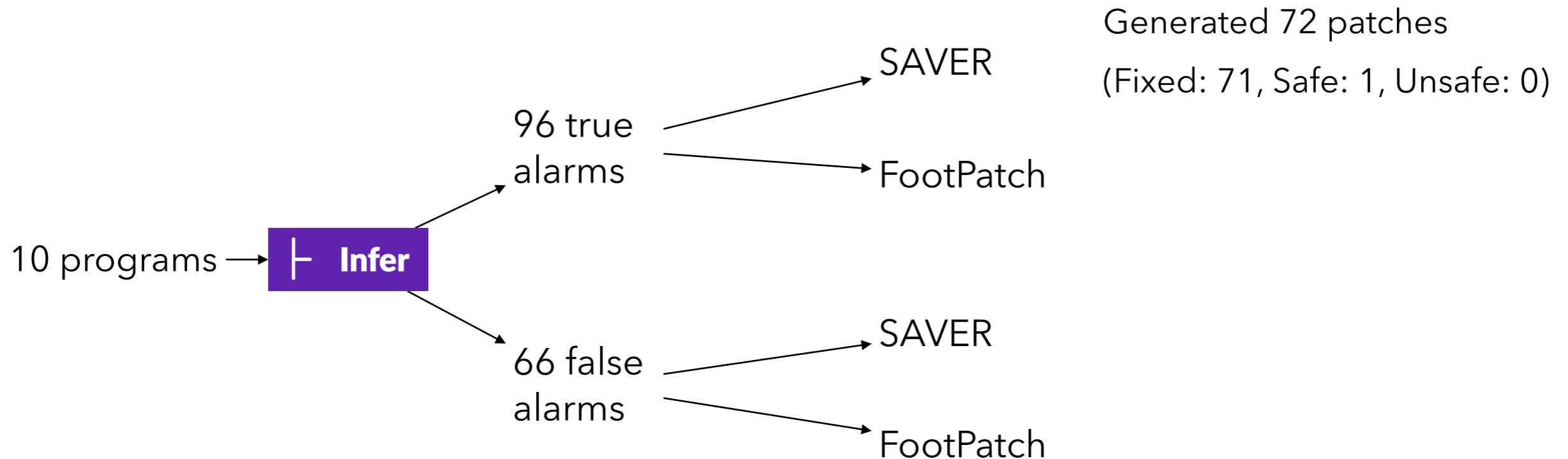
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flex (d3de49f)	22.3	3	4	26.3	2.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	51.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
WavPack (22977b2)	31.2	1	2	44.6	22.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	67.9	0	0	0	0	2	2
Swoole (a4256e4)	43.0	15	3	88.5	10.1	11	11	0	0	0	0	392.5	9	7	0	2	1	1
lxc (72cc48f)	49.9	3	5	230.6	5.8	3	3	0	0	0	0	179.6	0	0	0	0	1	1
p11-kit (ead7ara)	62.9	33	9	646.2	288.8	24	24	0	0	0	0	566.4	8	7	1	0	2	2
x264 (d4099dd)	73.2	10	0	144.3	9.9	10	10	0	0	0	0	426.9	2	2	0	0	0	0
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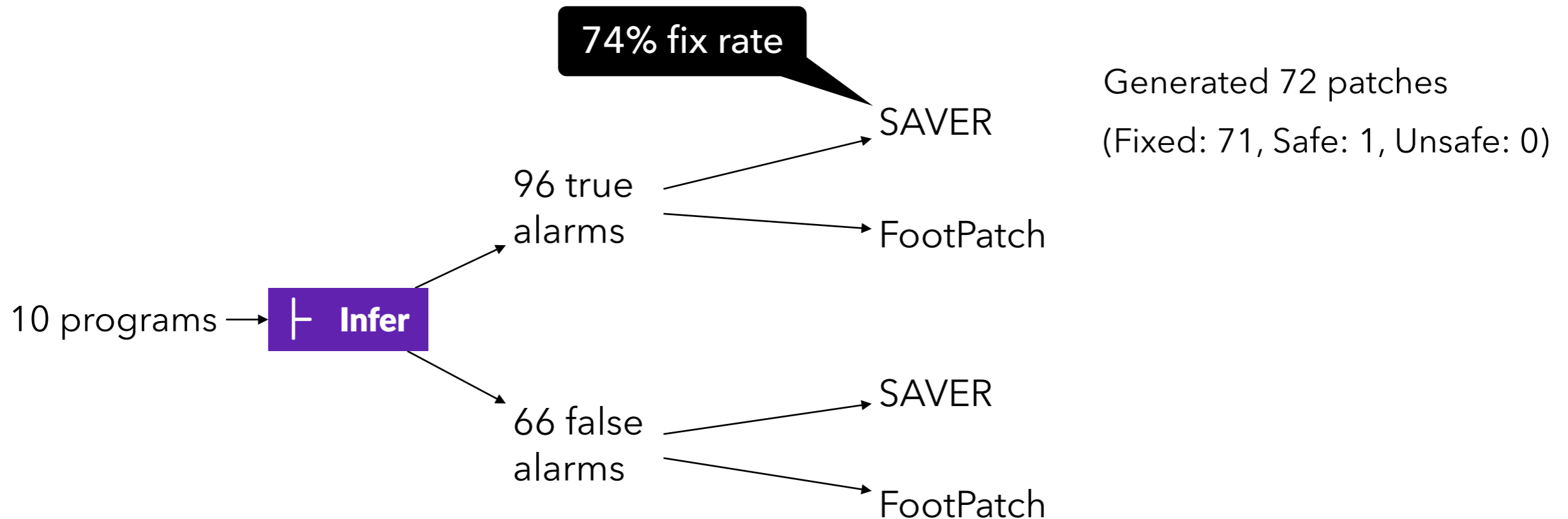
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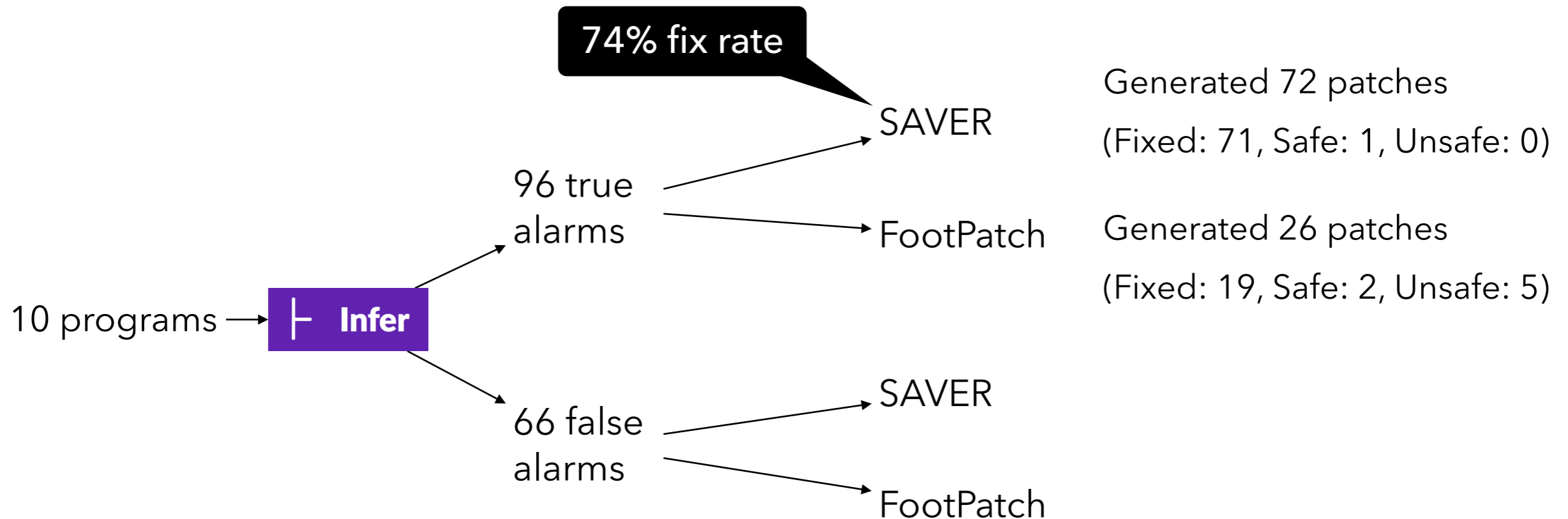




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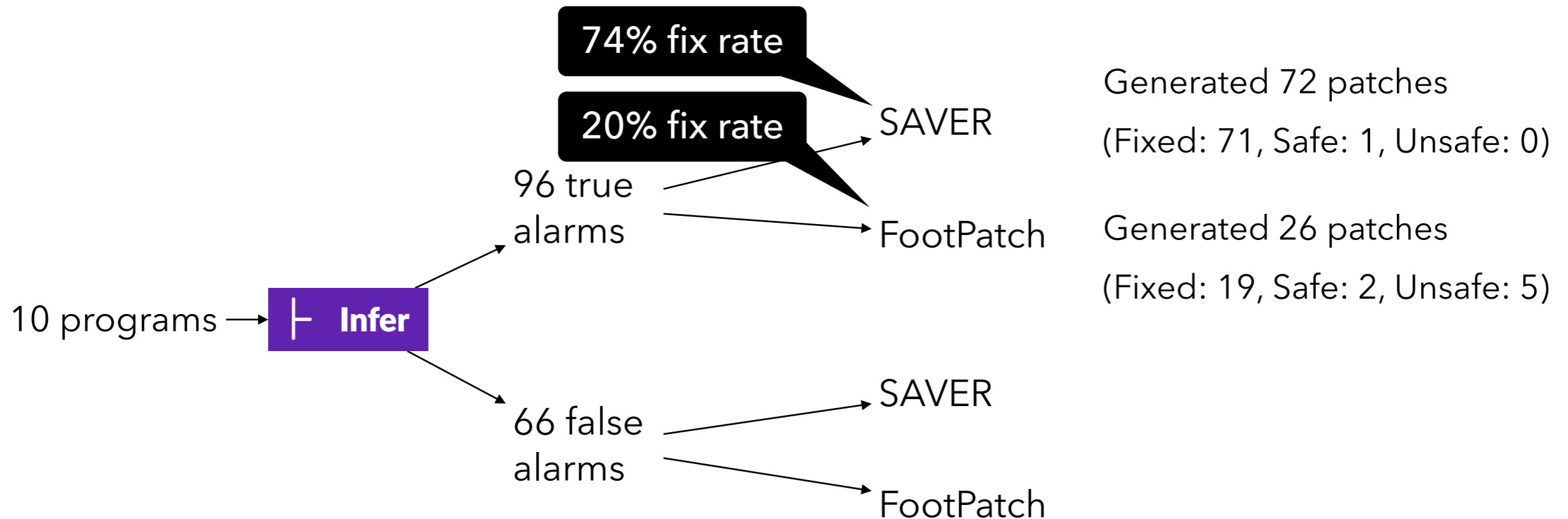
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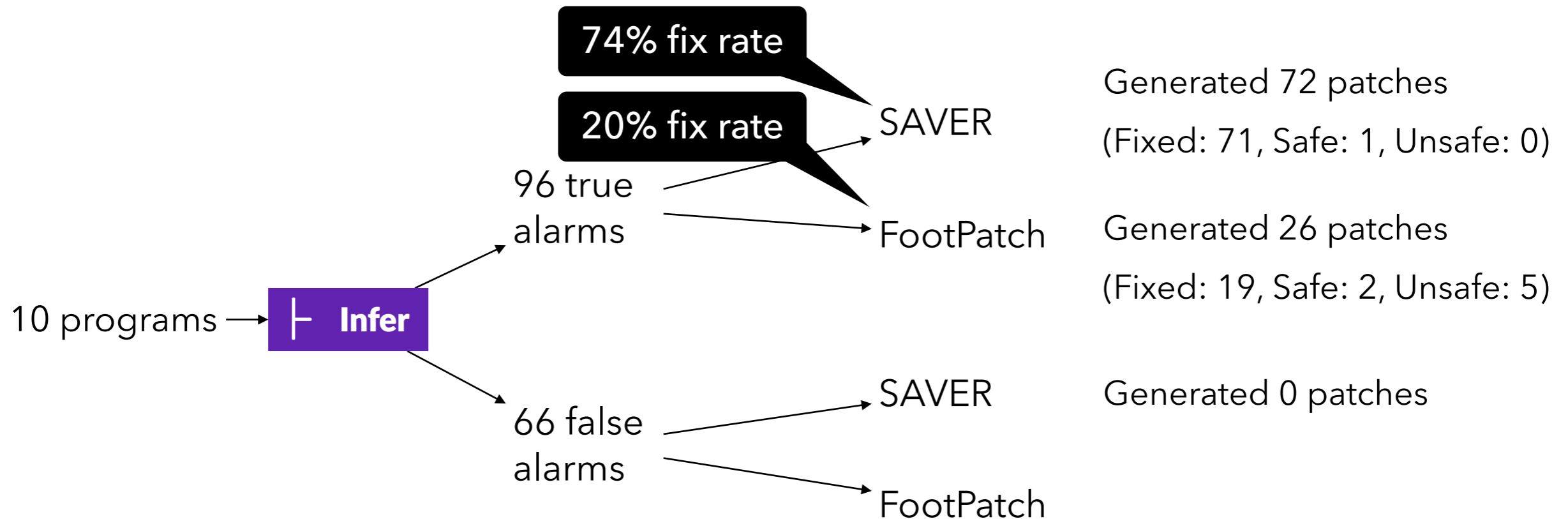
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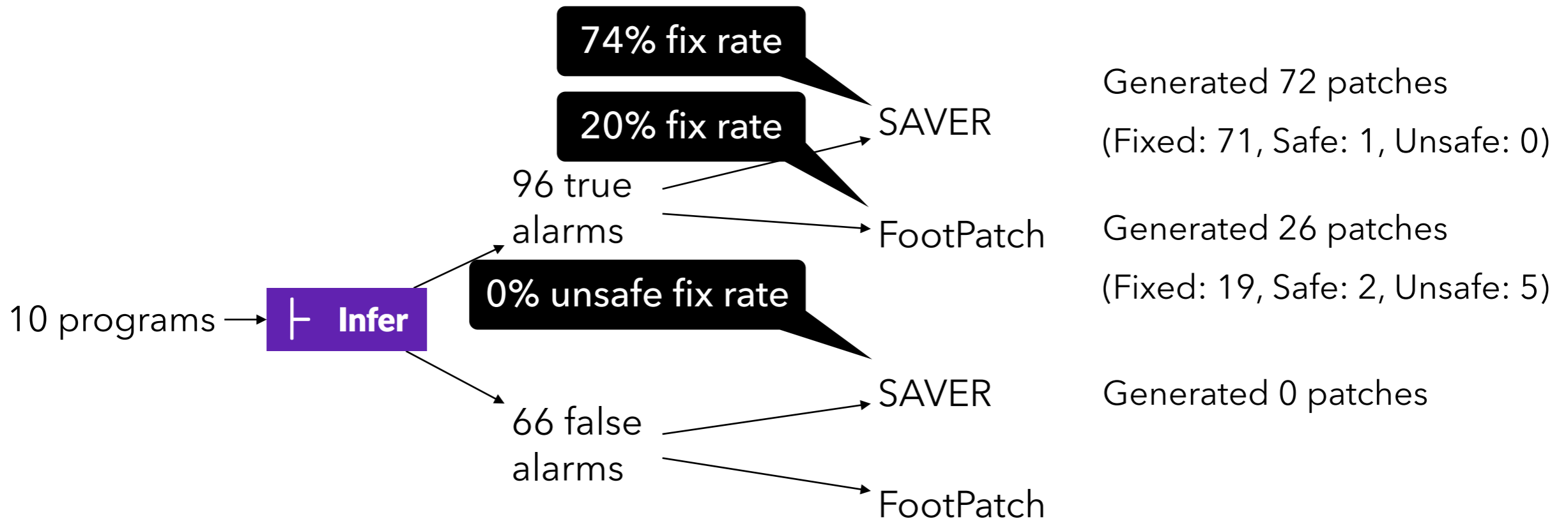
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lxc (72cc48f)	49.9	3	5	230.6	5.8	3	3	0	0	0	0	179.6	0	0	0	0	1	1
p11-kit (ead7ara)	62.9	33	9	646.2	288.8	24	24	0	0	0	0	566.4	8	7	1	0	2	2
x264 (d4099dd)	73.2	10	0	144.3	9.9	10	10	0	0	0	0	426.9	2	2	0	0	0	0
recutils-1.8	92.0	10	11	144.1	44.4	8	8	0	0	0	0	662.2	3	2	1	0	0	0
inetutils-1.9.4	116.9	4	5	44.8	2.5	4	4	0	0	0	0	182.1	0	0	0	0	0	0
snort-2.9.13	320.8	16	27	2372.0	216.0	11	10	1	0	0	0	4636.4	3	0	0	3	19	18
Total	814.4	96	66	3743.6	602.1	72	71	1	0	0	0	7173.9	26	19	2	5	26	25



# Effectiveness

Existing memory error repair tool [ICSE 2018]

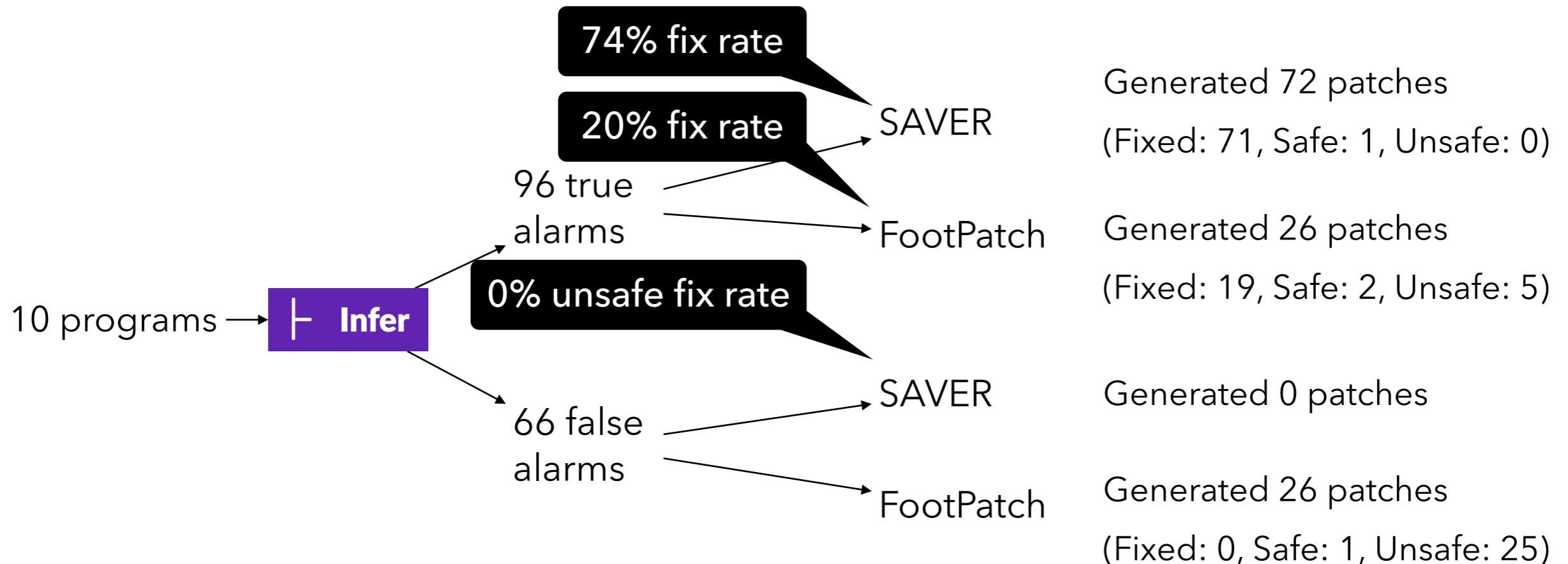
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rappel (ad8efd7)	2.2	1	0	2.2	0.0	1	1	0	0	0	0	8.9	1	1	0	0	0	0
flex (d3de49f)	22.3	3	4	26.3	2.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	51.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
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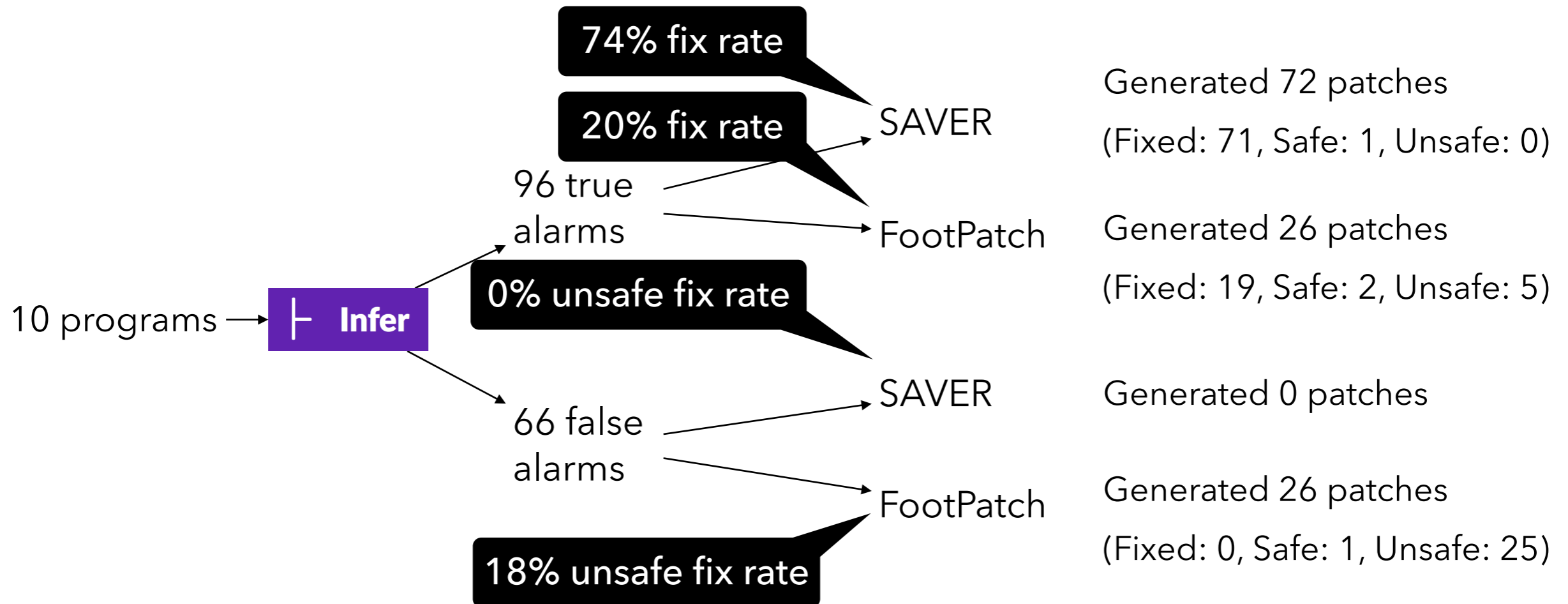
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# Summary

- **Static analysis-based program repair** for C memory errors
  - Scalable, precise, and safe
  - Successfully deployed in industry
  - <https://github.com/kupl/kaprese>

Thank you!