

# CEDAR: Continuous Testing of Deep Learning Libraries



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# Continuous testing for DL libraries is in high demand



- **Nightly build** every few days
- **8** official versions in 2023
- **142,385 lines of code** changes in a month

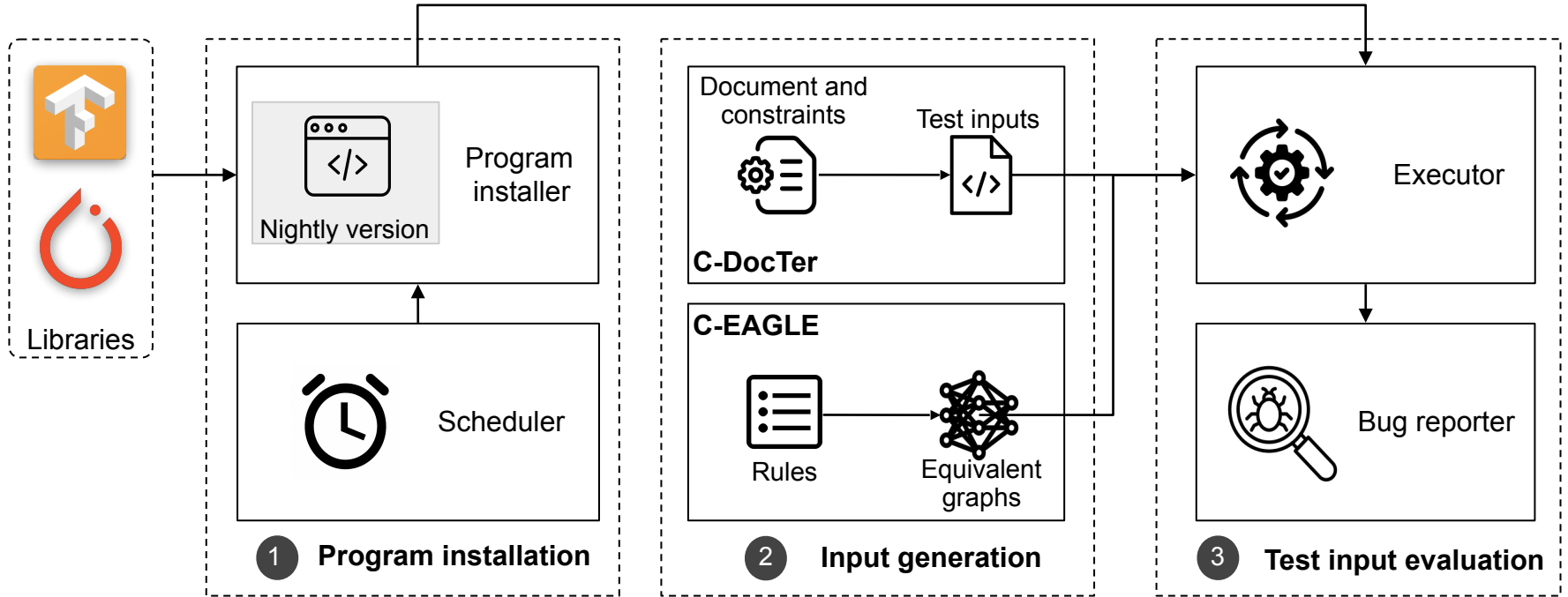


- **New bugs** are introduced along with the rapid changes.
- **Existing solutions** do not integrate cutting-edge DL testing tools including:
  - DocTer (ISSTA 22): documentation-guided fuzz testing framework for DL libraries.
  - EAGLE (ICSE 22): differential testing framework with equivalent graphs for DL APIs.
  - ...

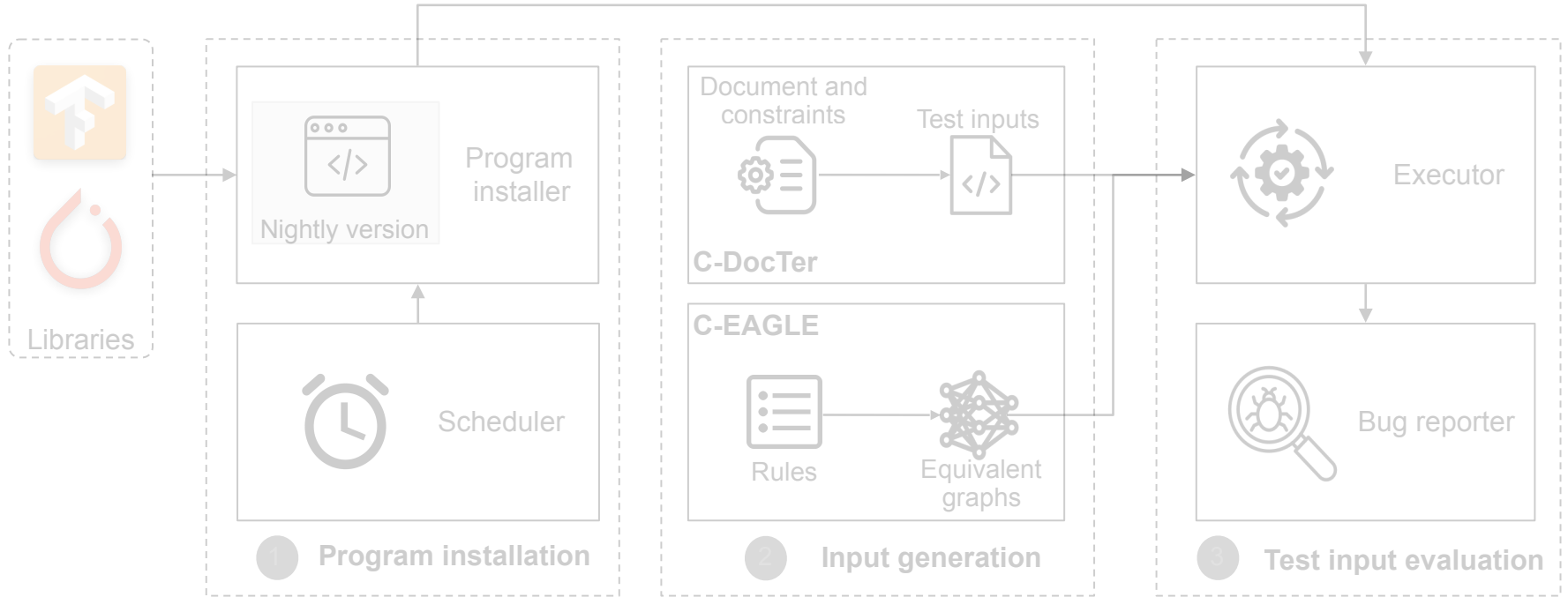
# CEDAR: a continuous testing framework

- Integrates two state-of-the-art DL testing approaches (DocTer and EAGLE).
- **Effective**: detecting **83 bugs** affecting 140 PyTorch and TensorFlow APIs, including **23** previously unknown bugs.
- **Efficient**: with tool-specific optimization strategies to reduce the time and space overhead.
- Shortens the bug detection latency by **338.6 days** on average.

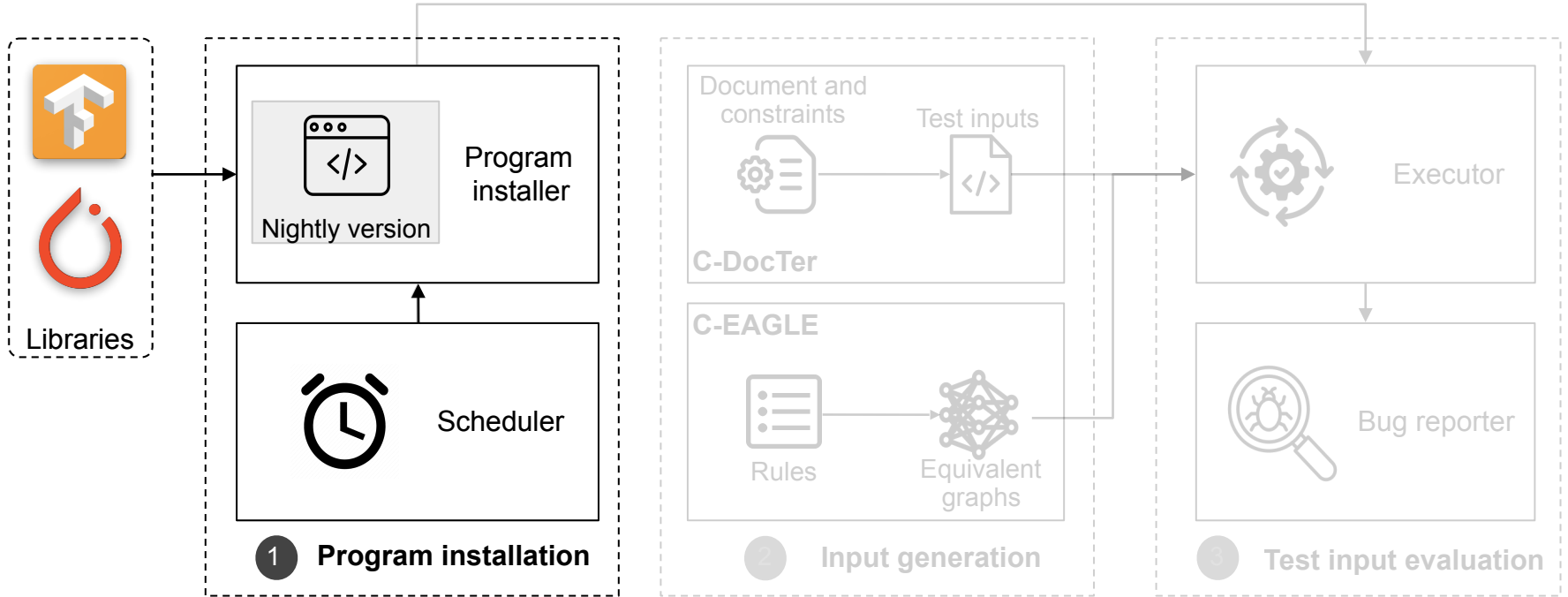
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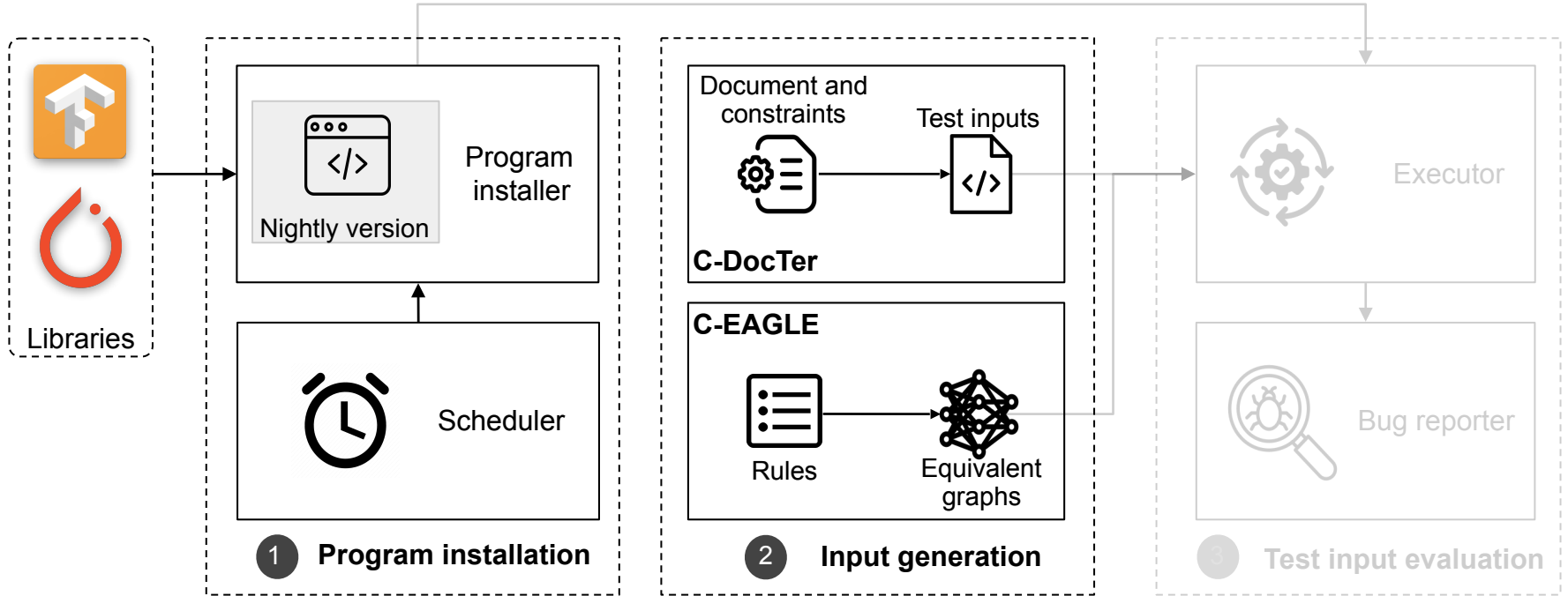
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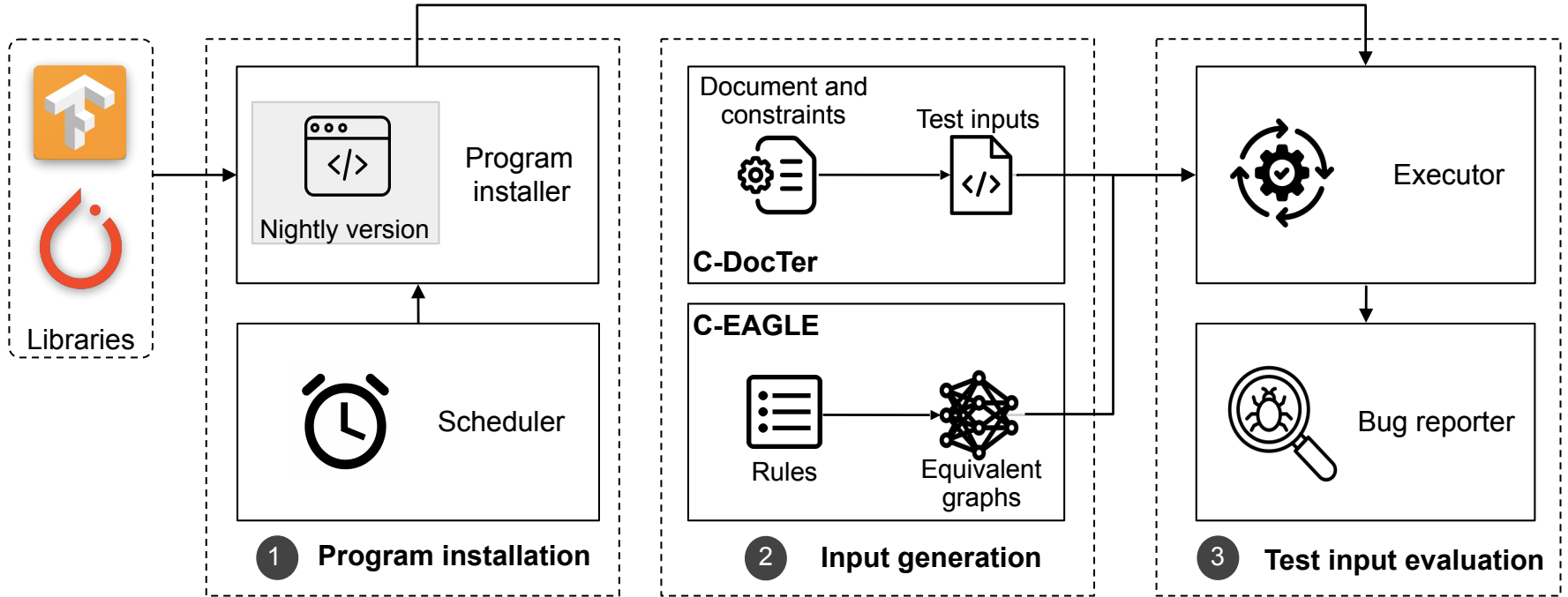
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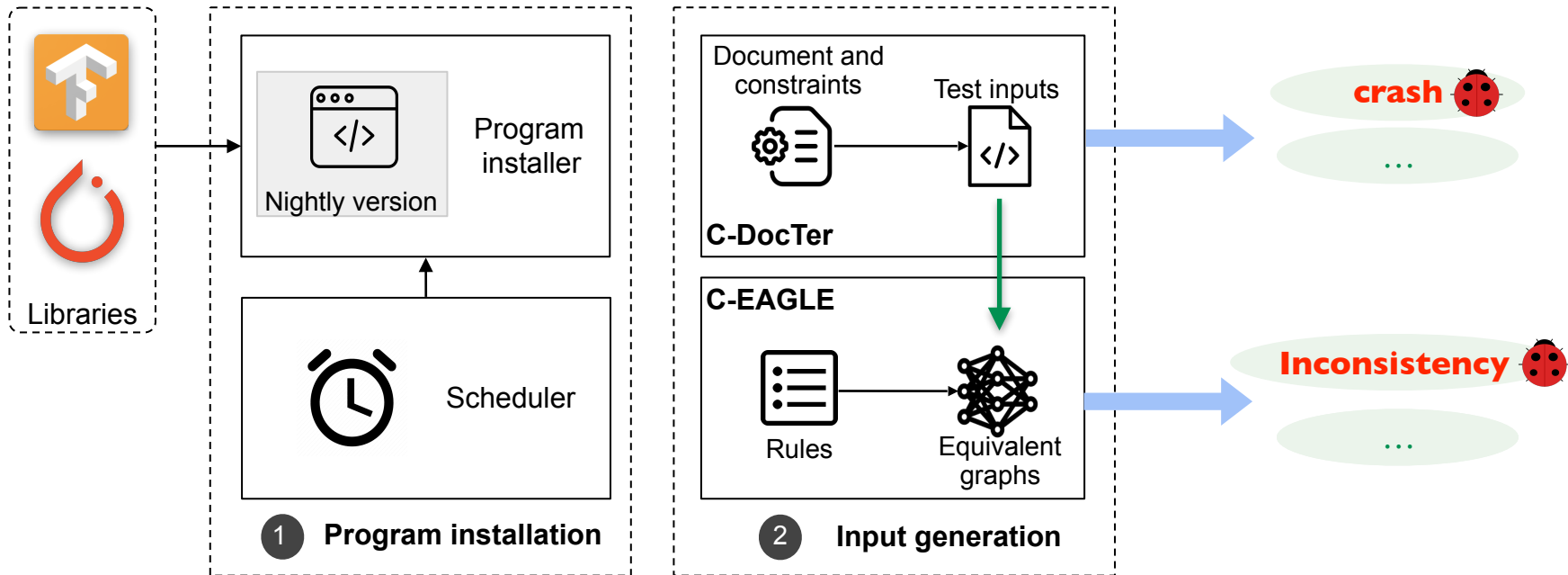
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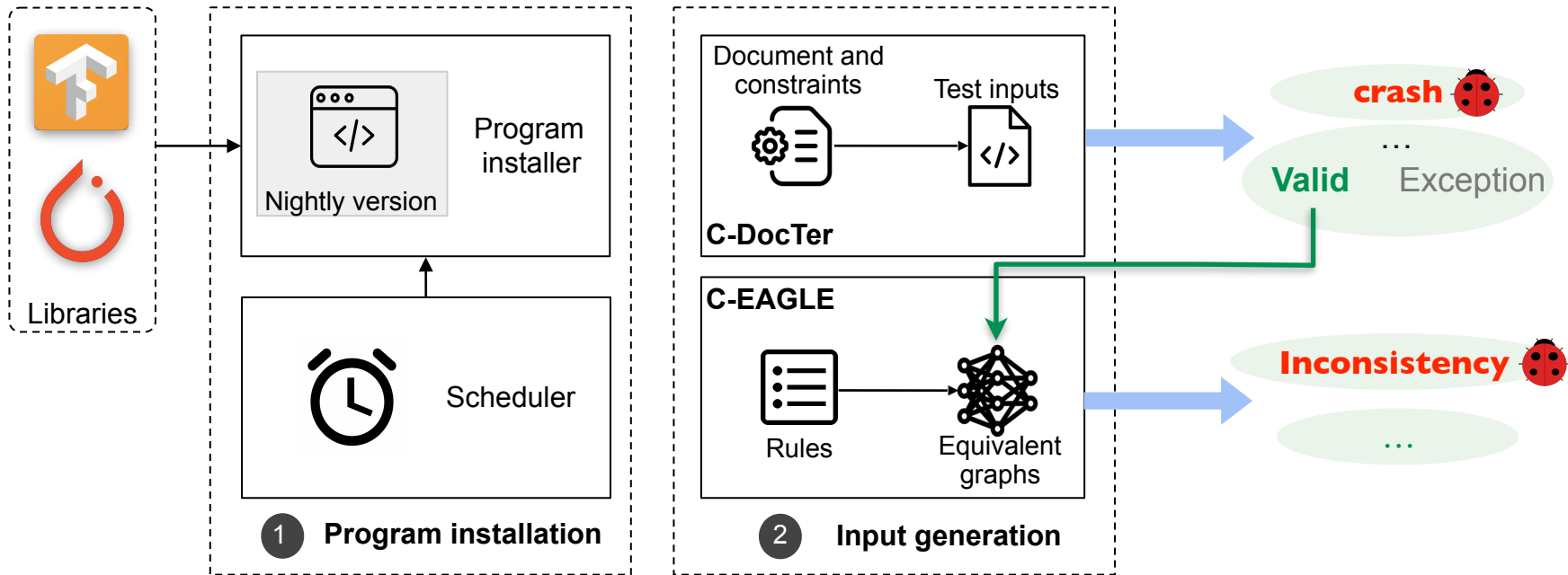
**optimization strategies**



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**Test case reduction**



Feed *valid* inputs generated by C-DocTer directly to C-EAGLE

# Experimental Setup

**2** libraries  

**10** versions of each library evaluated

**519** and **925** APIs from PyTorch and TensorFlow

**1,000** test inputs for each API

**24** parallel processes

# CEDAR's Bug detection results over continuous testing

**83** bugs affecting **140** APIs,  
including **2 high-priority** bugs (**24** APIs),  
**23** of the **83** bugs are new,  
**21** of **23** are confirmed or fixed.

	Verified	New	All	API
PyTorch	6	6	8	35
TensorFlow	15	17	75	105
Total	21	23	<b>83</b>	<b>140</b>

# Bug detection latency reduction



tf.linalg.diag

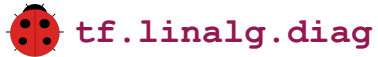
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Bug introduction



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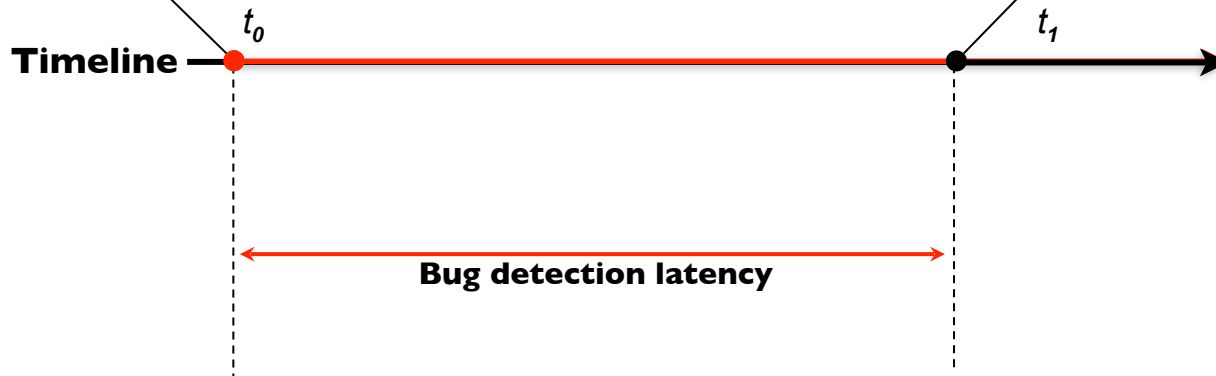
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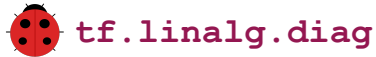
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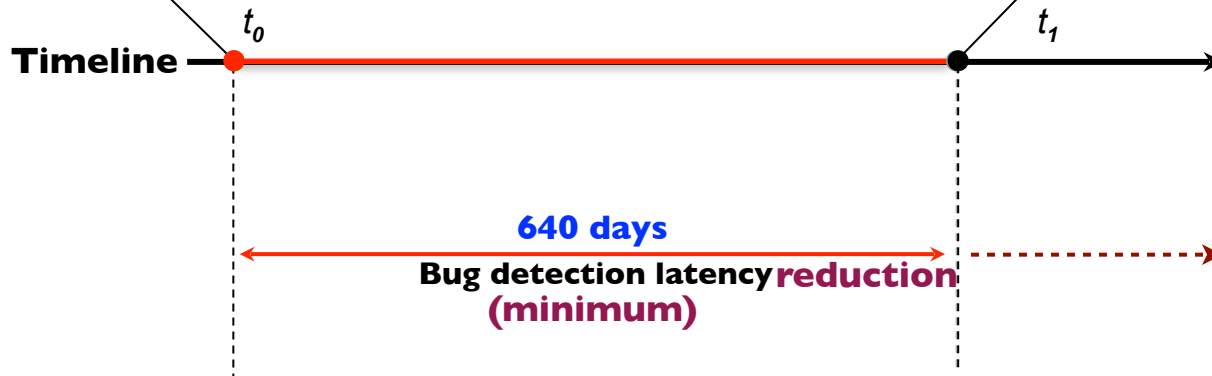
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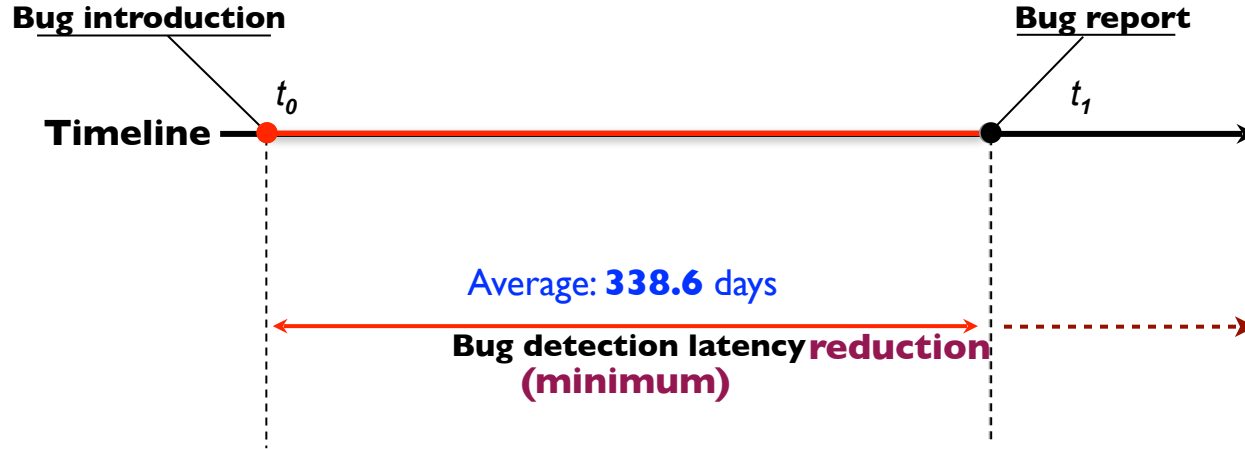
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CEDAR leads to bugs being detected at least on average **338.6 days** earlier



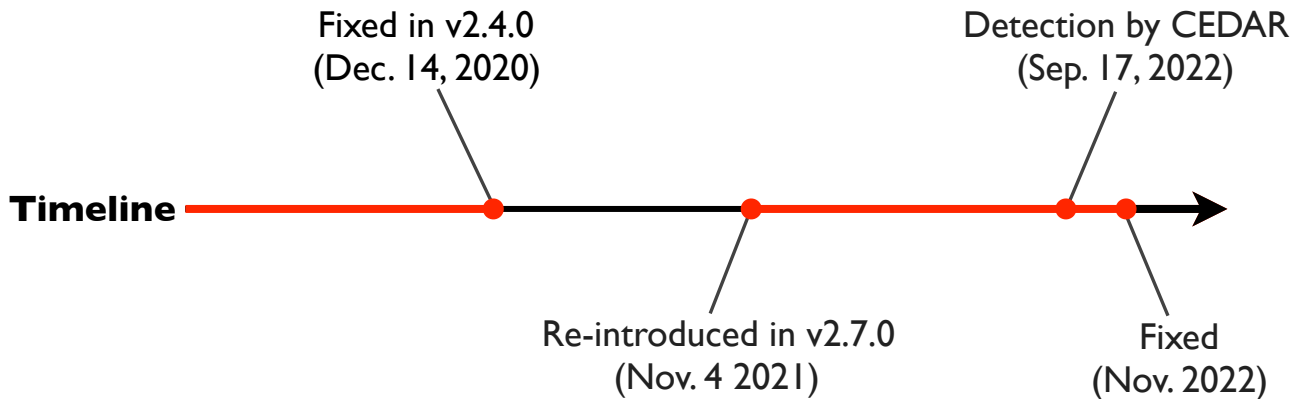
# CEDAR detected **regression bug** through continuous testing

```
> tf.random.learned_unigram_candidate_sampler(  
  true_classes=np.array([[1000000]]),  
  num_true=1, ...  
)
```

Large value



**Segmentation Fault**



CEDAR shows its effectiveness in regression and continuous testing

# A new **high-priority** bug affecting 23 PyTorch APIs

```
> torch.add(  
    input = torch.ones([2,2]),  
    other = torch.ones([1]),  
    out = torch.ones([2,2,1,1])  
)
```

out has at least two  
more dimensions than  
both operands



**Segmentation Fault**

**Fix**

```
1243     for (auto& op : operands_) {  
1244 +     if (op.tensor_base().defined() && !op.will_resize) {  
1245         IntArrayRef original_shape = config.static_shape_ ? shape_ :  
         op.tensor_base().sizes();
```

**Reported** on [Sep. 15th, 2022](#)

**Fixed** on [Sep. 20nd, 2022](#)

# A new inconsistency bug

## original

```
> o1 = tf.signal.stft(..., frame_length=0, ...)
```

Zero values

## optimized

```
> @tf.function
```

```
def fun_wrapper(x):
```

```
    return tf.signal.stft(*x)
```

```
o2 = fun_wrapper(..., frame_length=0, ...)
```

**Reported** on [May. 9th, 2022](#)  
**Confirmed** on [May. 11th, 2022](#)

## inconsistency

```
> np.max(o1 - o2) # (1.2623837153272947e+180+2.19373012209e-312j)
```

Large  
inconsistencies

# Effectiveness of the optimization strategies

## *Time efficiency*

- shorten the execution time from 130:36 to **8:29**
- reduce the **time overhead** by a factor of **11.3**

## *Space efficiency*

- remove **3,140,929** redundant files in total
- release **159.2 GB** space
- reduce the **space overhead** by a factor of **9.7**

# Conclusion and Discussion

- We propose **CEDAR**, a continuous testing framework for DL libraries that efficiently integrates two state-of-the-art DL testing approaches to test DL libraries for detecting bugs effectively.
- CEDAR detected **83 bugs** affecting 140 PyTorch and TensorFlow APIs, including **23 previously unknown** bugs with **21** confirmed or fixed.
- The optimization strategies reduce the time and space overhead by a factor of **11.3** and **9.7**.
- CEDAR's continuous application through 20 versions has effectively shortened the bug detection latency by almost a year (**338.6 days**).