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Evasive Web-based Malware

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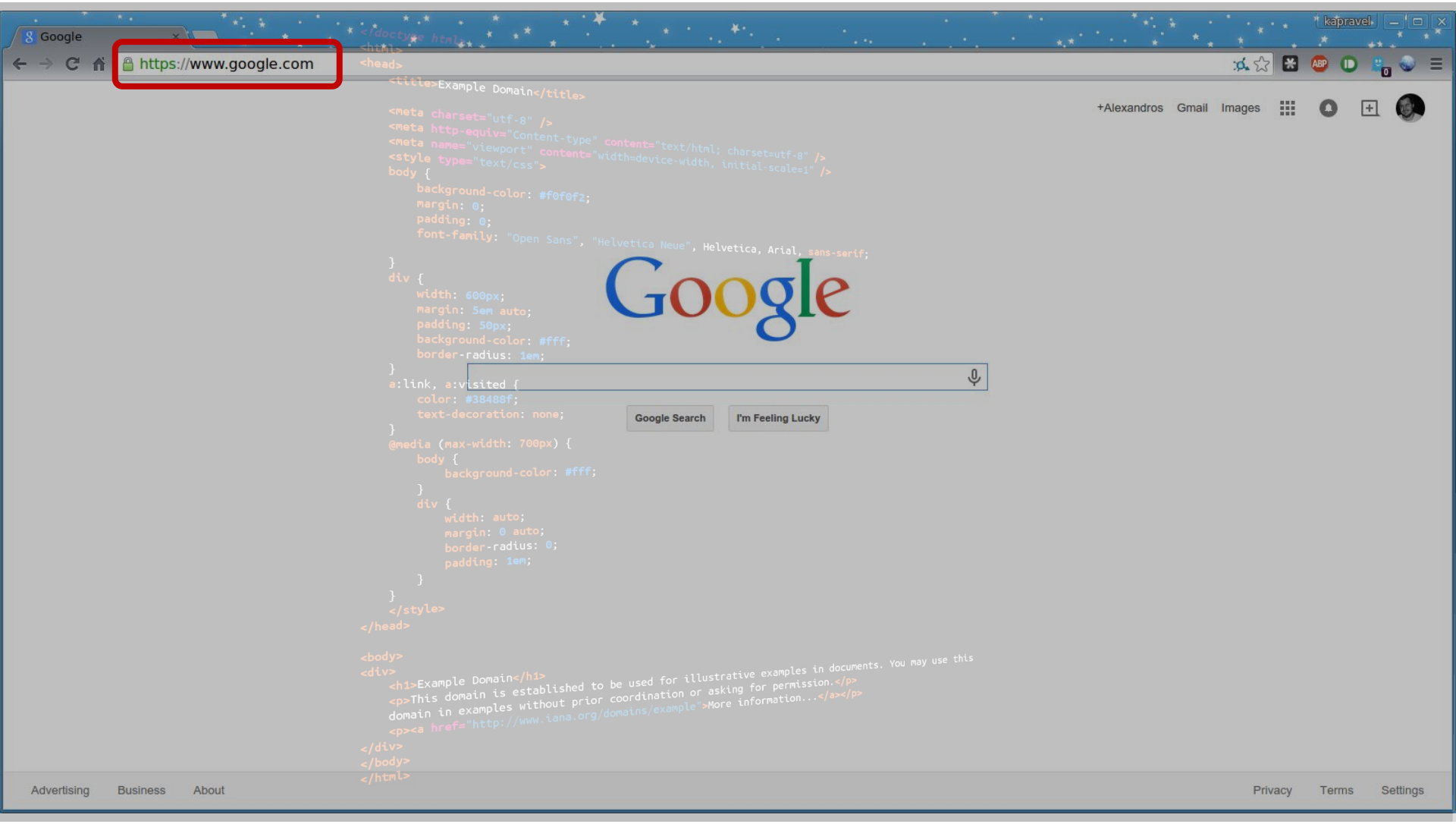
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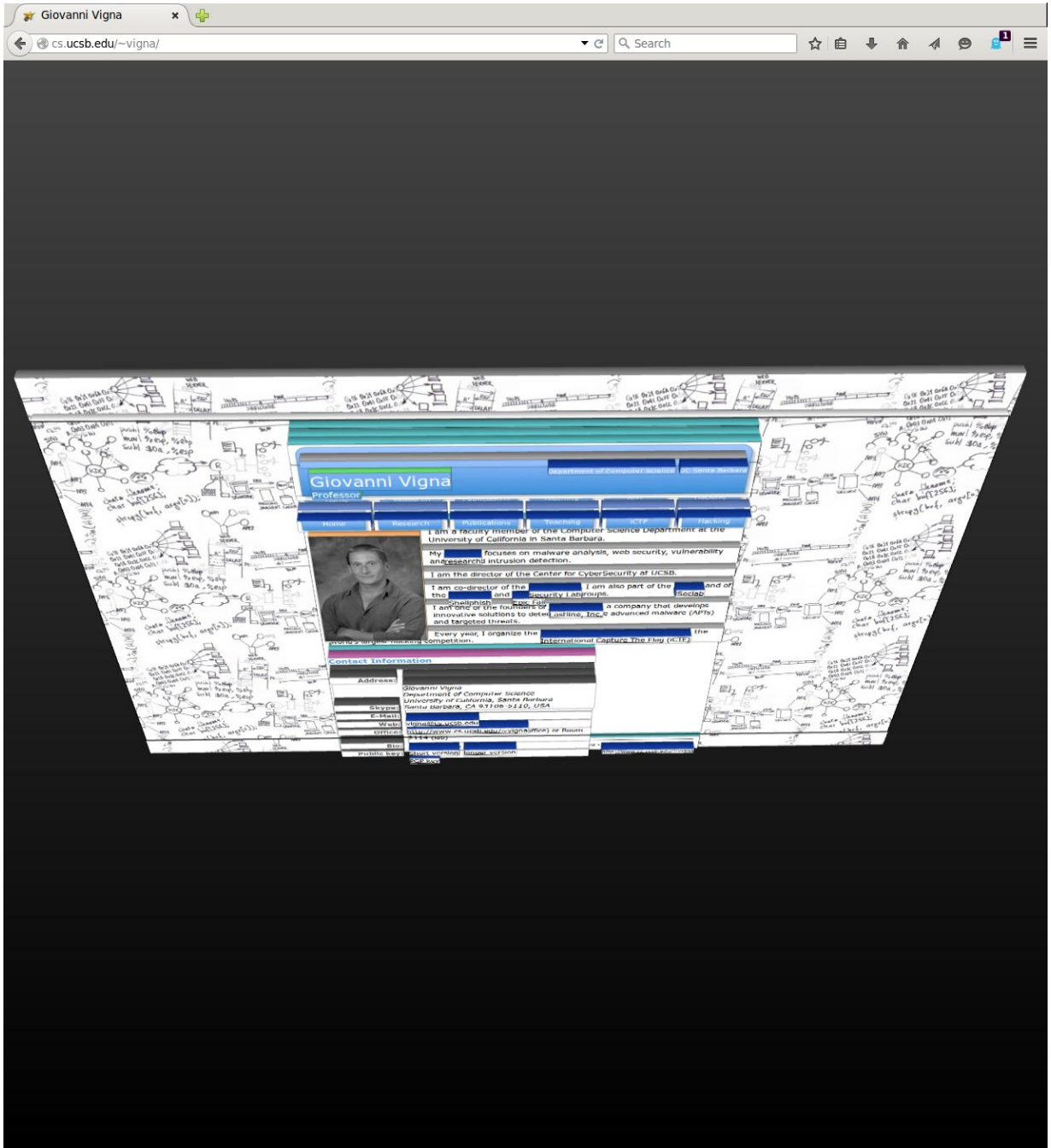
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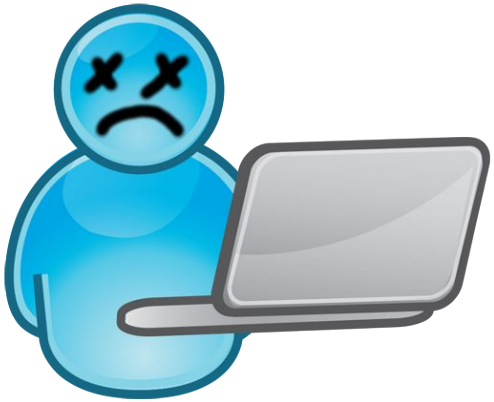

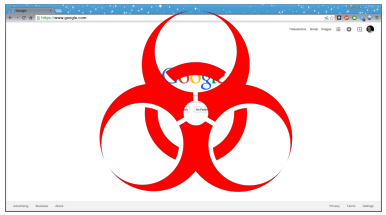

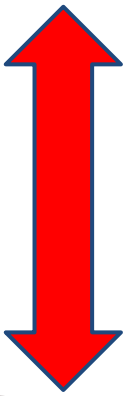


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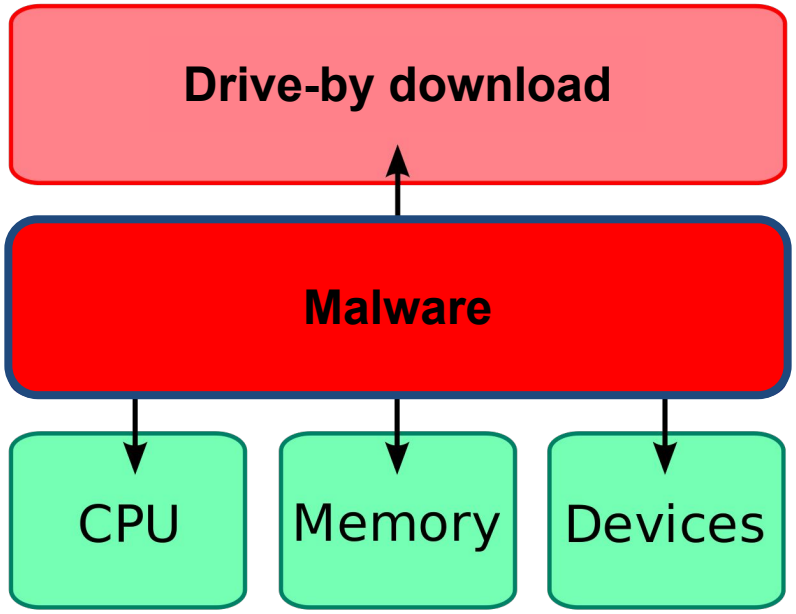
Compromising the browser



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TECHNOLOGY

Google Access Is Disrupted in Vietnam

Some Google users in Vietnam were redirected to a website with the message: 'Hacked by Lizard Squad'

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Rogue ads infiltrate Expedia and Rhapsody

When legit sites attack

Hackers compromise official PHP website, infect visitors with malware (updated)

Php.net goes on lockdown after malicious code is found hosted on site servers.

SECURITY malware

Attack on Dailymotion redirected visitors to exploits

Drive-by download

- Web based exploits that target browsers and their plugins
- Usually based on JavaScript
- Heavily obfuscated

URL	Source hash	Wepawet	Source code
http://interdoggy.com/content/fdp2.php?f…	a217119f3642733c174c4de1c7329f9bcfe955d1	report	View

```
var padding;
var bbb, ccc, ddd, eee, fff, ggg, hhh;
var pointers_a, i;
var x = new Array();
var y = new Array();
var _l1 = "4c20600f0517804a3c20600f0f63804aa3eb804a3020824a6e2f804a4141414126000000000000000000000000000001239804a6420600f000400004141414141
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var _l2 = "4c20600fa563804a3c20600f9621804a901f804a3090844a7d7e804a4141414126000000000000000000000000000007188804a6420600f000400004141414141
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363626653d340000";
_l3 = app;
_l4 = new Array();
```

Latest 0-day exploit

26 October 2016
Adobe Flash
CVE-2016-7855

~~February 2 2015~~
~~Adobe Flash~~
~~CVE-2015-0313~~

~~March 12 2015~~
~~Adobe Flash~~
~~CVE-2015-0332~~ -
~~CVE-2015-0342~~

~~April 14 2015~~
~~Adobe Flash~~
~~CVE-2015-0346 -~~
~~CVE-2015-0360 + more~~

Latest 0-day exploit

Adobe Security Bulletin

Security updates available for Adobe Flash Player

Release date: October 26, 2016

Vulnerability identifier: APSB16-36

Priority: 1

CVE number: CVE-2016-7855

Platform: Windows, Macintosh, Linux and Chrome OS

Summary

Adobe has released security updates for Adobe Flash Player for Windows, Macintosh, Linux and Chrome OS. These updates address a critical vulnerability that could potentially allow an attacker to take control of the affected system.

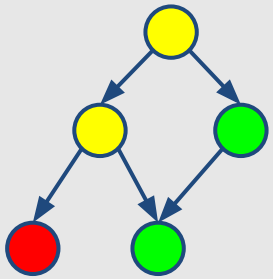
Adobe is aware of a report that an exploit for CVE-2016-7855 exists in the wild, and is being used in limited, targeted attacks against users running Windows versions 7, 8.1 and 10.

Affected Versions

Product	Affected Versions	Platform
Adobe Flash Player Desktop Runtime	23.0.0.185 and earlier	Windows and Macintosh
Adobe Flash Player for Google Chrome	23.0.0.185 and earlier	Windows, Macintosh, Linux and Chrome OS
Adobe Flash Player for Microsoft Edge and Internet Explorer 11	23.0.0.185 and earlier	Windows 10 and 8.1
Adobe Flash Player for Linux	11.2.202.637 and earlier	Linux

Dynamic analysis systems

Analysis System



Wepawet

- System to detect drive-by downloads
- Leading R&D for the past 5 years
- Publicly available at wepawet.cs.ucsb.edu

- Based on an emulated browser (HtmlUnit+Rhino)

- 93,962,555 processed submissions
- 2,930,669 malicious detections so far
- 1,626 registered users

Wepawet

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Analysis report for file 90c8f078680a104b4b78810b5a2328ff

Sample Overview

File	variant_72.pdf
MD5	90c8f078680a104b4b78810b5a2328ff
Analysis Started	2015-02-09 16:12:48
Report Generated	2015-02-09 16:14:00
JSAND version	2.3.6

Reanalyze this file.

Detection results

Detector	Result
JSAND 2.3.6	malicious

malicious

In particular, the following URL was found to contain malicious content:

- file://90c8f078680a104b4b78810b5a2328ff/

Exploits

Name	Description	Reference
Adobe Collab overflow	Multiple Adobe Reader and Acrobat buffer overflows	CVE-2007-5659

Features

- Redirection and cloaking
- Deobfuscation
- Exploitation

Results

Dataset	Samples (#)	JSAND FN	ClamAV FN	PhoneyC FN	Capture-HPC FN
Spam Trap	257	1 (0.3%)	243 (94.5%)	225 (87.5%)	0 (0.0%)
SQL Injection	23	0 (0.0%)	19 (82.6%)	17 (73.9%)	–
Malware Forum	202	1 (0.4%)	152 (75.2%)	85 (42.1%)	–
Wepawet-bad	341	0 (0.0%)	250 (73.3%)	248 (72.7%)	31 (9.1%)
Total	823	2 (0.2%)	664 (80.6%)	575 (69.9%)	31 (5.2%)

Attack in the wild

JAVASCRIPT

```
var nop="%uyt9yt2yt9yt2";
var nop=(nop.replace(/yt/g,""));
var sc0="%ud5db%uc9c9%u87cd...";
var sc1="%"+"yutianu"+"ByutianD"+ ...;
var sc1=(sc1.replace(/yutian/g,""));
var sc2="%"+"u"+"54"+"FF"+...+"8"+"E"+"E";
var sc2=(sc2.replace(/yutian/g,""));
var sc=unescape(nop+sc0+sc1+sc2);
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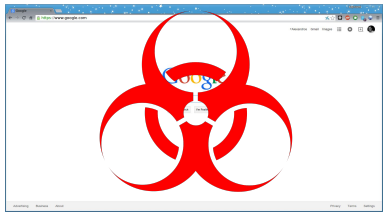

evil.com

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Analysis report for http://evil.com

Sample Overview

URL	http://evil.com
Domain	evil.com
Analysis Started	2015-02-03 13:57:19
Report Generated	2015-02-03 17:03:44
JSAND version	2.3.6

Reanalyze this URL.

See the report for domain evil.com.

Detection results

Detector	Result
JSAND 2.3.6	benign

Exploits

No exploits were identified.

benign

Evolution from previous sample

JAVASCRIPT

```
try {
    new ActiveXObject("yutian");
} catch (e) {
    var nop="%uyt9yt2yt9yt2";
    var nop=(nop.replace(/yt/g,""));
    var sc0="%ud5db%uc9c9%u87cd...";
    var sc1="%"+"yutianu"+"ByutianD"+ ...;
    var sc1=(sc1.replace(/yutian/g,""));
    var sc2="%"+"u"+"54"+"FF"+...+"8"+"E"+"E";
    var sc2=(sc2.replace(/yutian/g,""));
    var sc=unescape(nop+sc0+sc1+sc2);
}
```

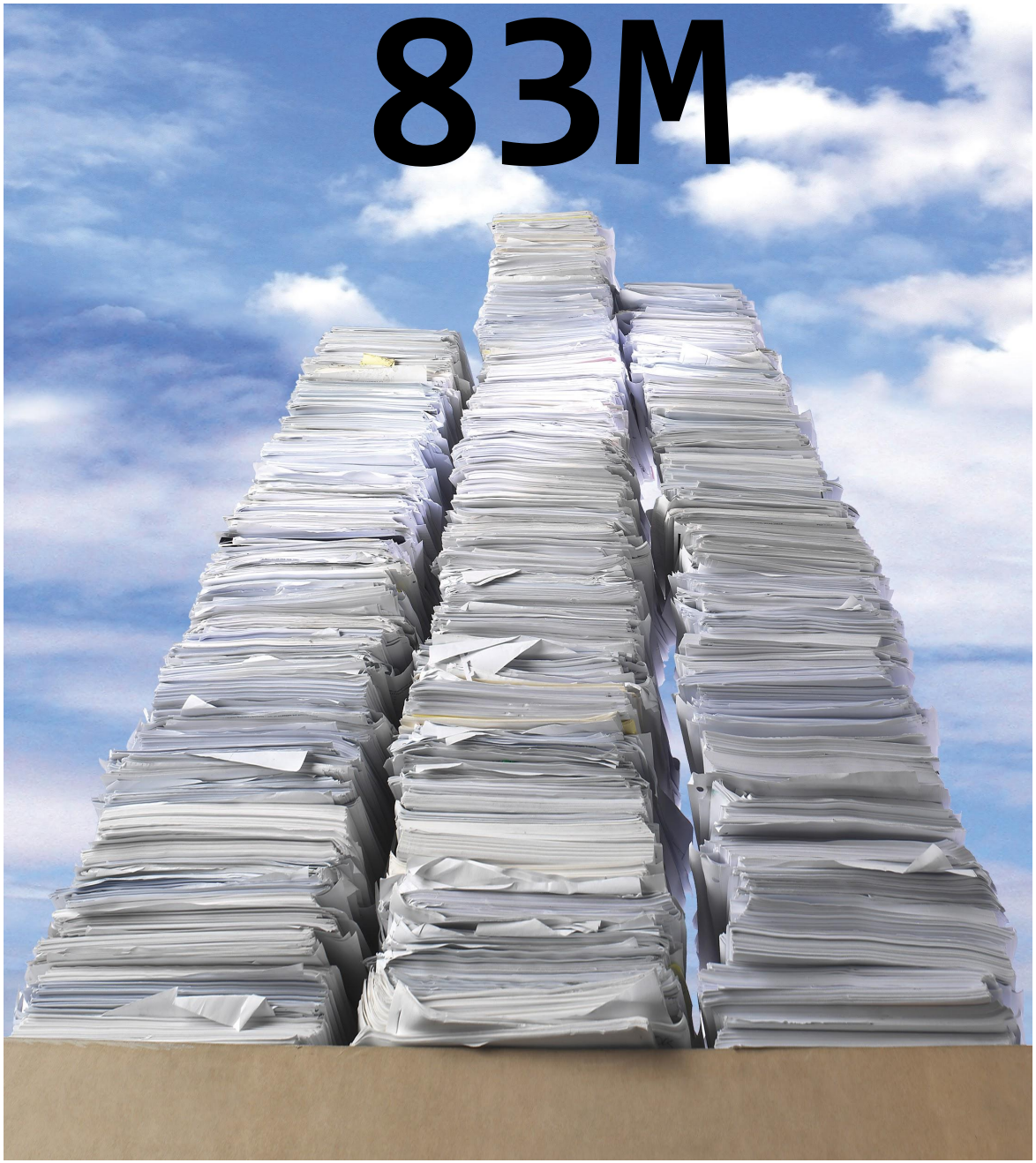
Detecting the undetected

Revolver

- A system to dynamically track JavaScript evolution
- Publicly available at revolver.cs.ucsb.edu
- Build on top of Wepawet
- Provides a deep insight into new and previously unseen attacks

Revolver: An Automated Approach to the Detection of Evasive Web-based Malware
Alexandros Kapravelos, *Yan Shoshitaishvili, Marco Cova, Chris Kruegel, Giovanni Vigna*
USENIX Security, 2013

+ classification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not a traditional query

not a traditional search result

Script summaries

how many “if” statements

how many “for” loops

…

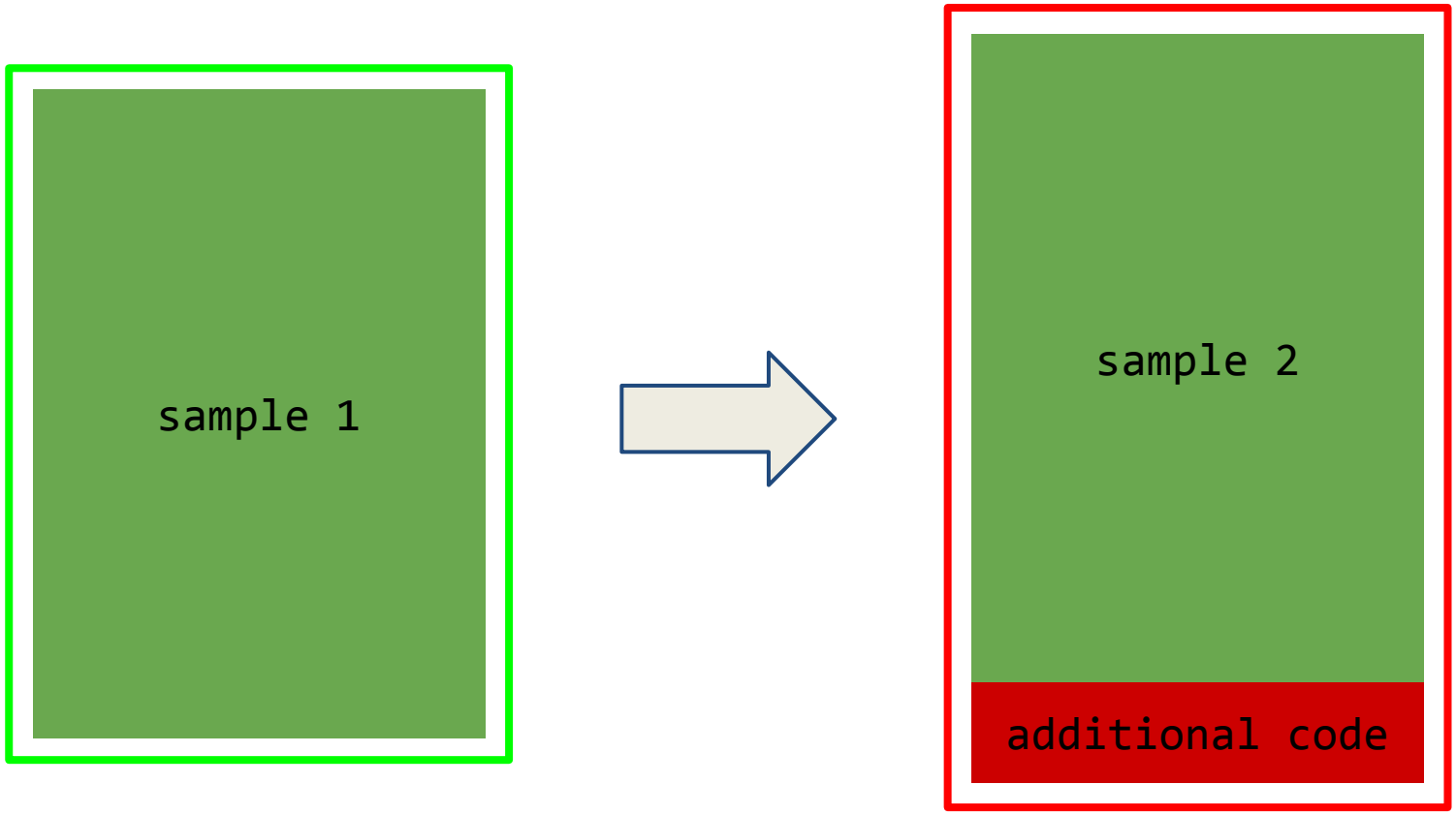
88-dimensional Euclidean space

k-nearest neighbor search

Classifying similar pairs

- Injection
  - Scripts that become malicious with additions

Injection



Classifying similar pairs

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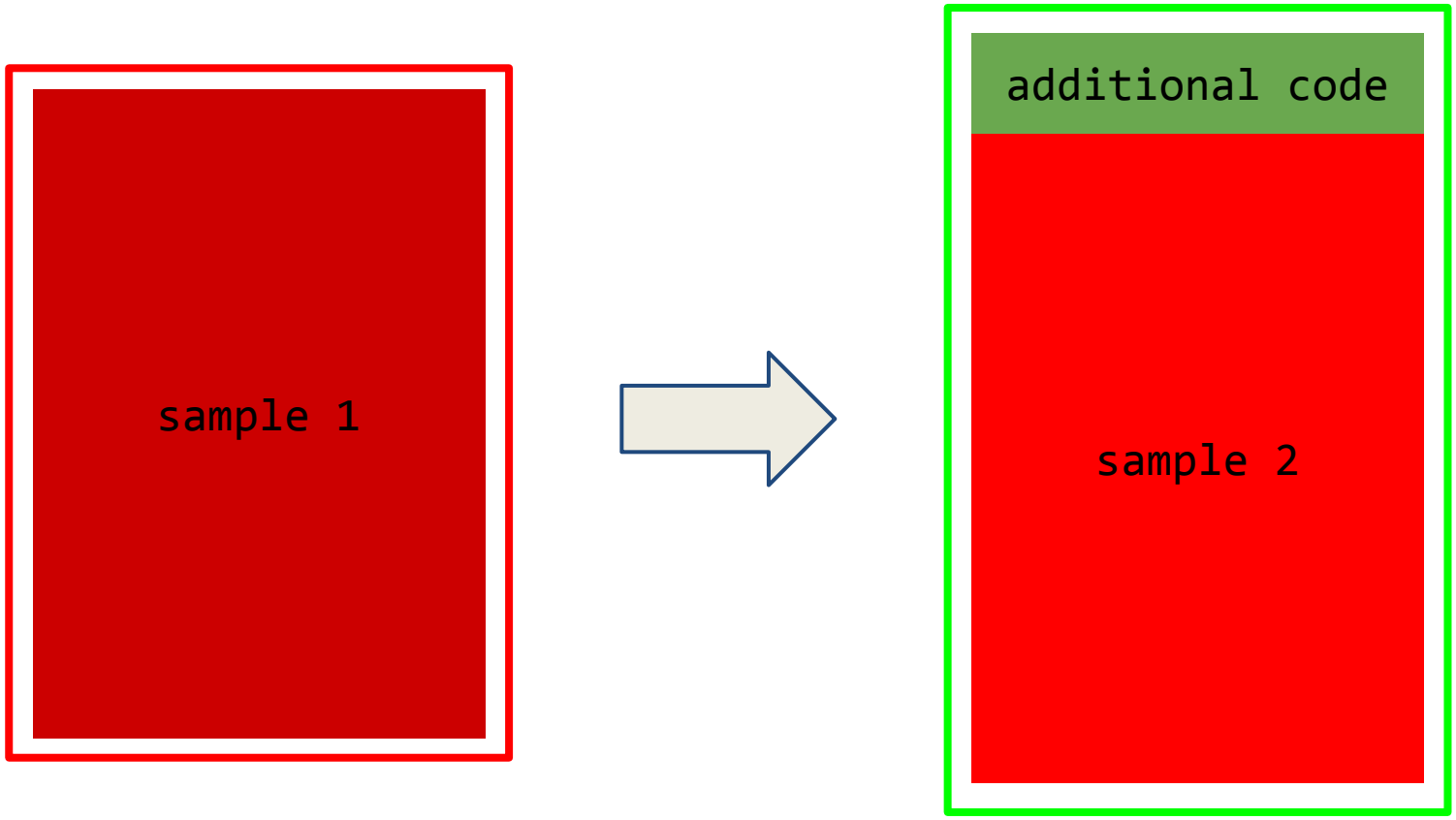
- Evasion
  - Scripts that become benign with control-flow changes

Evasion



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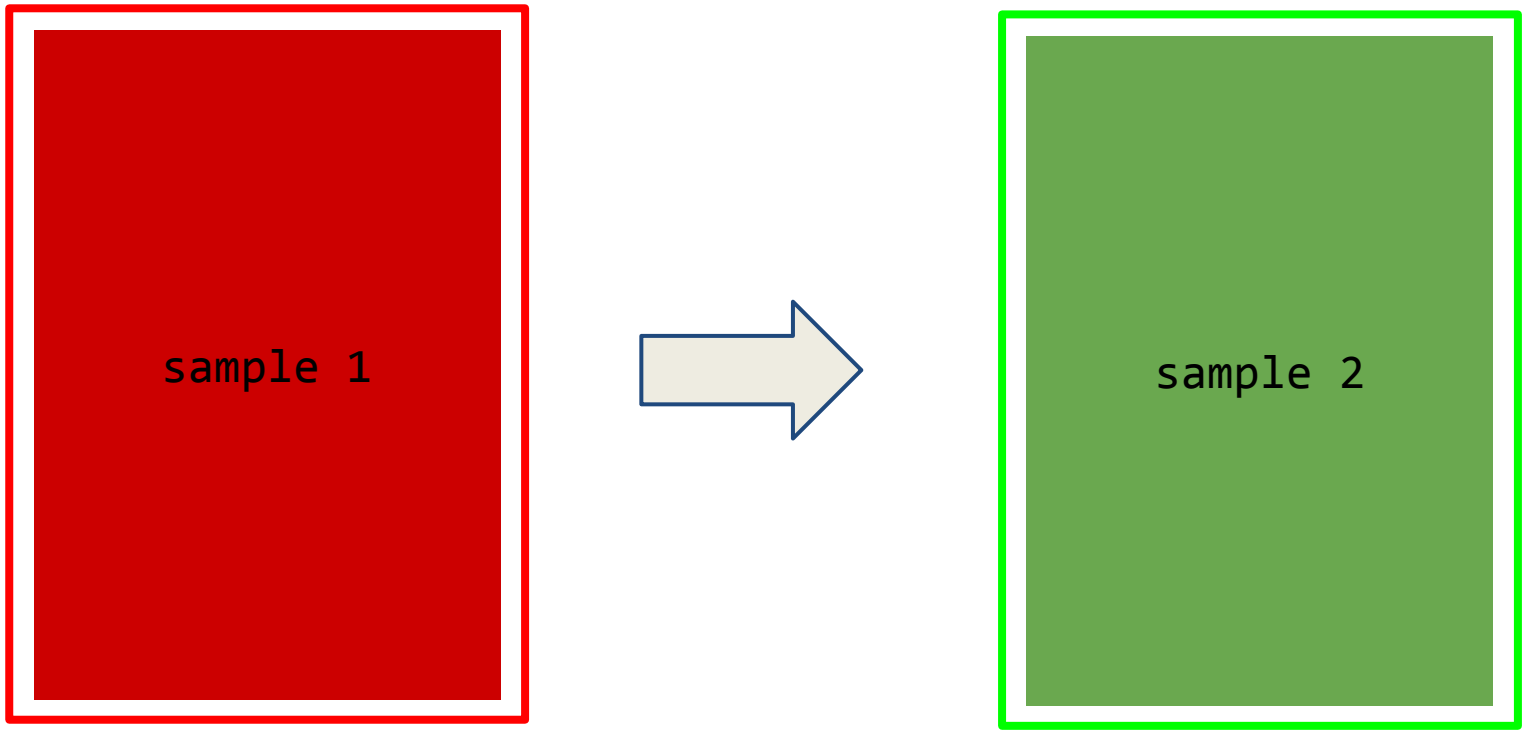
- Data-dependency
  - Identical scripts with different classification

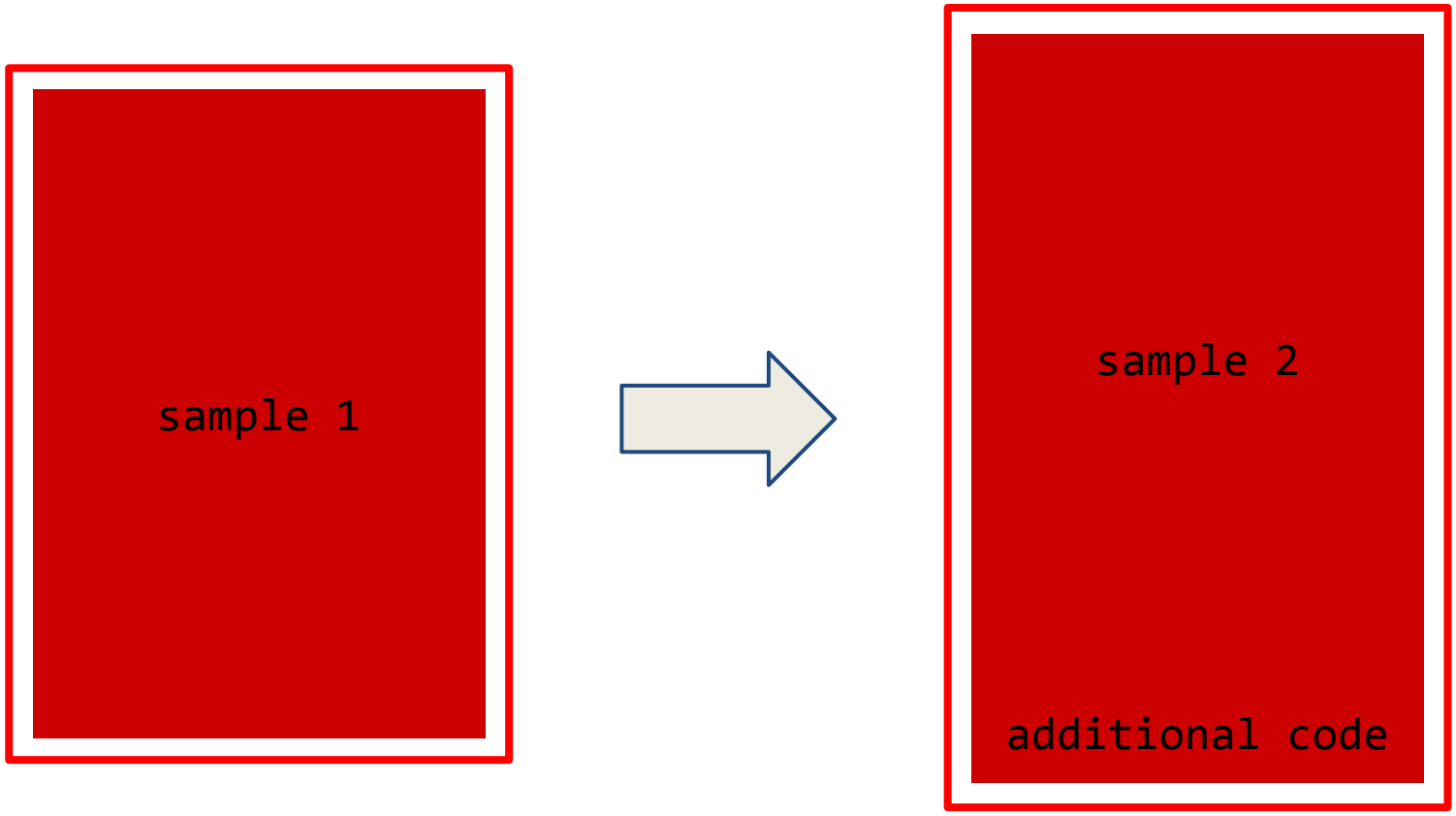
Data-dependency



Classifying similar pairs

- Injection
  - Scripts that become malicious with additions
- Evasion
  - Scripts that become benign with control-flow changes
- Data-dependency
  - Identical scripts with different classification
- Evolution
  - Interesting to track for malicious-malicious pairs

Evolution



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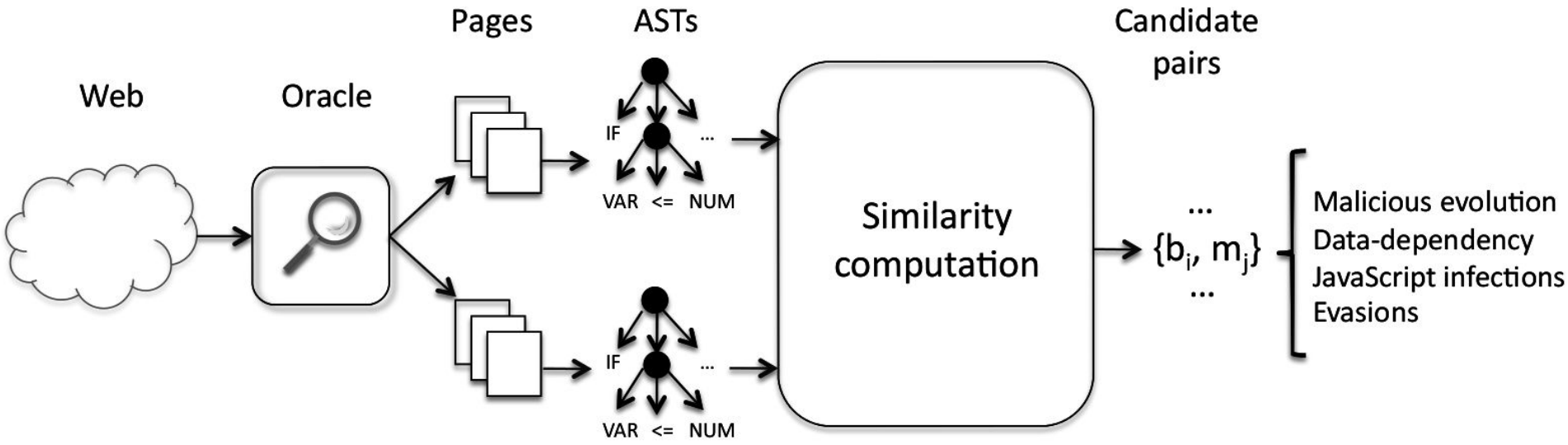


Oracle

Revolver's input

- Any analysis system that can provide to Revolver:
  - JavaScript (even dynamically generated code)
  - Classification
- Wepawet in our experiments
  - Submit suspicious URLs at wepawet.cs.ucsb.edu
  - Every submission on Wepawet gets analyzed by Revolver in real-time

Abstract Syntax Tree (AST)

- Heavily obfuscated JavaScript
- All names are irrelevant
- Abstract the code as much as possible

Node sequences

- We break the structure of the tree and create sequences
- Nodes are integers representing node types

Sequence summary

- A statistical summary of node type occurrences

Similarities

- Deduplication
  - Identical scripts
- Approximate nearest neighbors
  - Based on sequence summary
  - Intuitively similar scripts have similar summaries
  - 88-dimensional Euclidean space and k-nearest neighbor search
- Directional similarities
  - Trying to match the malicious code

Experiments

- 6,468,623 web pages
  - 265,692 malicious pages
- 20,732,766 benign scripts
  - 705,472 unique benign ASTs
- 186,032 malicious scripts
  - 5,701 unique malicious ASTs

Results

Category	Similar Scripts	# Groups by malicious AST
JavaScript Injections	6,996	701
Data-dependencies	101,039	475
Evasions	4,147	155
General evolutions	2,490	273
Total	114,672	1,604

Evasions in the wild

JAVASCRIPT

```
// Malicious
function foo() {
    ...
    W6Kh6V5E4 = W6Kh6V5E4.replace(/\W/g,Bm2v5BSJE);
    ...
}

// Evasion
function foo(){
    ...
    var enryA = mxNEN+F7B07;
    F7B07 = eval;
    {}
    enryA = F7B07('enryA.rep' + 'lace(/\\W/g,CxFHg));
    ...
}
```

JAVASCRIPT

```
if((app.setInterval+/**/"")["indexOf"](aa)!=-1){
a=/**/target.creationDate.split('|')[0];}
```

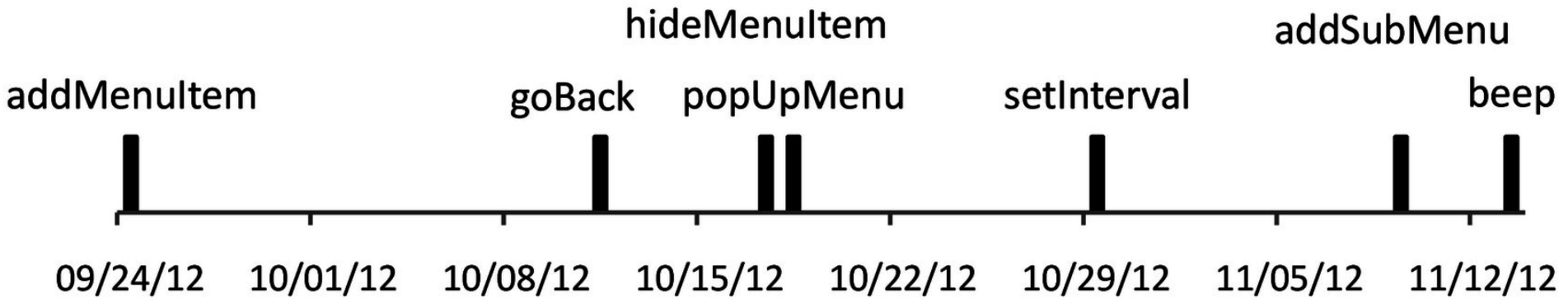
Evasions in the wild

JAVASCRIPT

```
// Malicious
OlhG='evil_code'
wTGB4=eval
wTGB4(OlhG)

// Evasion
OlhG='evil_code'
wTGB4="this"["eval"]
wTGB4(OlhG)
```

Attackers' reactions



Limitations for Revolver

- No similarities
- Serve evasion before anything else
- Still need to analyze evasion and patch honeyclient manually