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Framework ON THE DARK ID FILTERS





WAFs & Code Injection Attacks

- SQLi, XSS, XML, etc...
- Not going anywhere anytime soon.
- 14% increase in total web attacks in Q2 2016 [1]
- 150% 200% increase in SQLi and XSS attacks in 2015 [2]

[1] akamai's [state of the internet] / security Q2 2016 executive review[2] Imperva: 2015 Web Application Attack Report (WAAR)

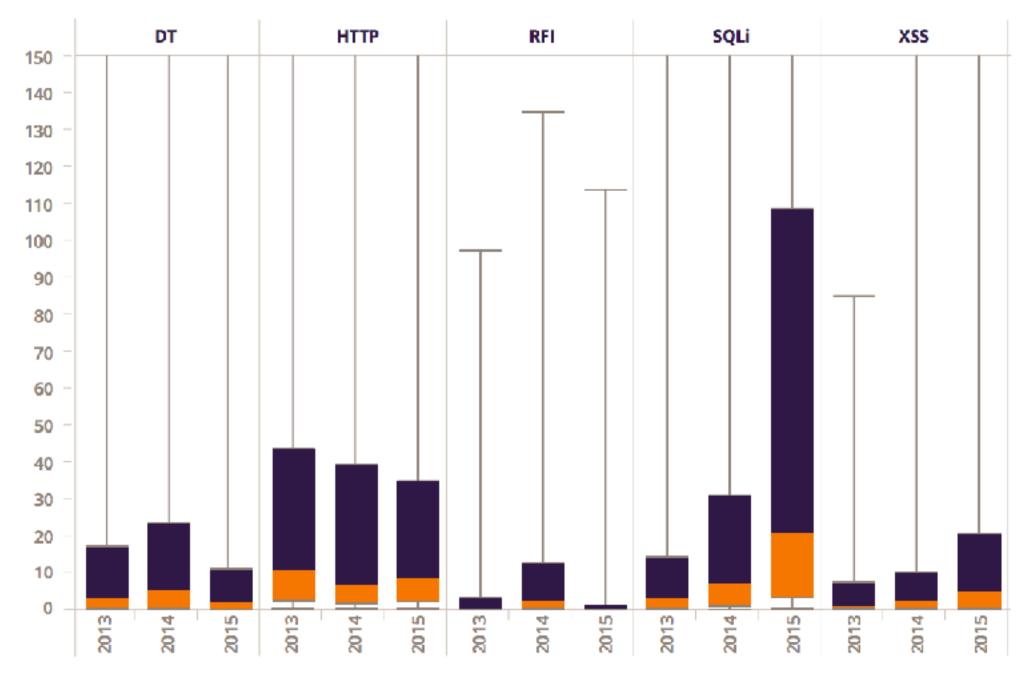


Figure 1: Comparison of Number of Incidents Between Years

Code Injection is a Parsing Problem

Input data

Input data is parsed incorrectly

Injection attack

Web Application

Web Application Firewalls (or solving parsing problems with parsing)

Language

Runtime

Web Application Firewalls

- Monitor traffic at the Application Layer: Both HTTP Requests and Responses.
- Detect and Prevent Attacks.
- Appliance or Software.
- Cost-effective compliance with PCI DSS requirement 6.6 [1]



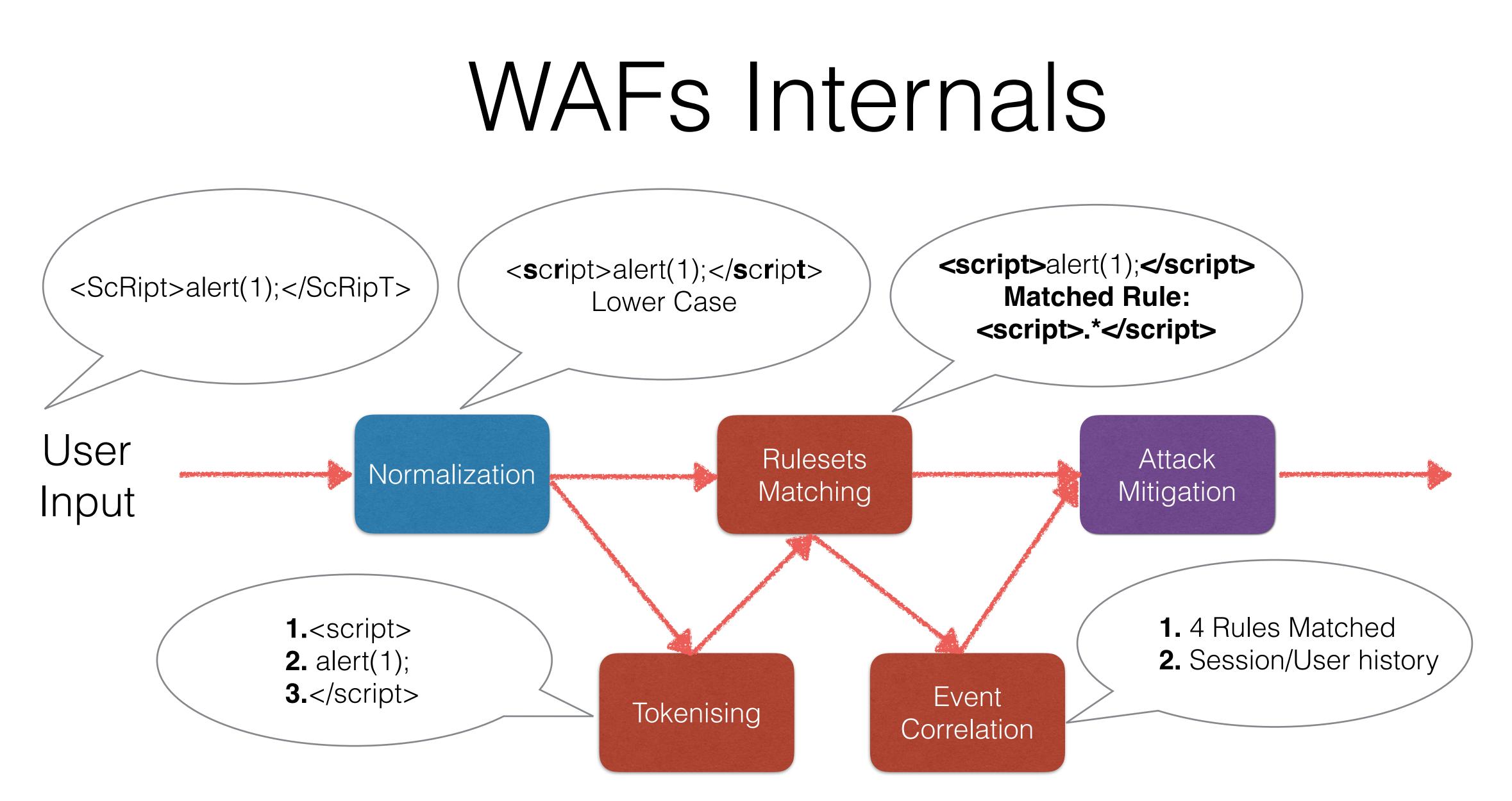
6.6 For public-facing web applications, address new threats and vulnerabilities on an ongoing basis and ensure these applications are protected against known attacks by either of the following methods:

Reviewing public-facing web applications via manual or automated application vulnerability security assessment tools or methods, at least annually and after any changes

Note: This assessment is not the same as the vulnerability scans performed for Requirement 11.2.

Installing an automated technical solution that detects and prevents webbased attacks (for example, a webapplication firewall) in front of publicfacing web applications, to continually check all traffic.

[1] PCI DSS v3.2



• Signatures: Strings or Regular Expressions

E.g., [PHPIDS Rule 54] Detects Postgres pg_sleep injection, waitfor delay attacks and database shutdown attempts:

(?:select\s*pg_sleep)|(?:waitfor\s*delay\s?"+\s?\d)|(?:;\s*shutdown\s*(?:;|--|#|\/*|{))

- **Signatures:** *Strings or Regular Expressions*
- Rules: Logical expressions and Condition/Control Variables

E.g., ModSecurity CRS Rule 981254:

SecRule REQUEST_COOKIES|!REQUEST_COOKIES:/__utm/|!REQUEST_COOKIES:/ _pk_ref/|REQUEST_COOKIES_NAMES|ARGS_NAMES|ARGS|XML:/* "(?i:(?:select\s*? pg_sleep)|(?:waitfor\s*?delay\s?[\"````]+\s?\d)|(?:;\s*?shutdown\s*?(?:;|--|#|\/*|{)))" "phase: 2,capture,t:none,t:urlDecodeUni,block, setvar:tx.sql_injection_score=+1,setvar:tx.anomaly_score=+% {tx.critical_anomaly_score},setvar:'tx.%{tx.msg}-OWASP_CRS/WEB_ATTACK/SQLI-% {matched_var_name}=%{tx.0}'"

- **Signatures:** Strings or Regular Expressions
- **Rules:** Logical expressions and Condition/Control Variables
- Virtual Patches: Application Specific Patches

E.g., ModSecurity: Turns off autocomplete for the forms on login and signup pages

SecRule REQUEST_URI "^(\/login|\/signup)" "id:1000,phase:4,chain,nolog,pass" SecRule REQUEST_METHOD "@streq GET" "chain" SecRule STREAM_OUTPUT_BODY "@rsub s/<form /<form autocomplete=\"off\" /"

- Signatures: Strings or Regular Expressions
- Rules: Logical expressions and Condition/Control Variables
- Virtual Patches: Application Specific Patches
- PHPIDS has more than 420K states
- Shared between different WAFs Expose, ModSecurity

• Shared between different WAFs and Log Auditing Software: PHPIDS,

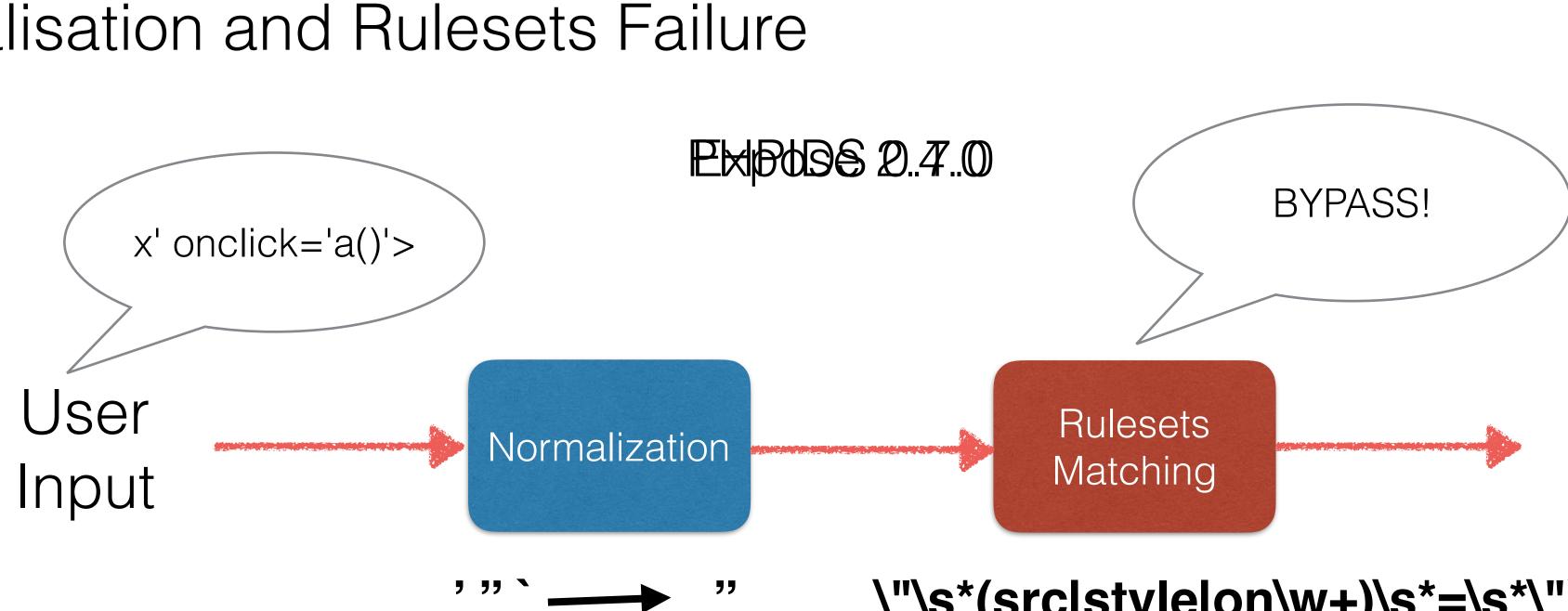
- Simple hacks:

- Lack of support for different protocols, encodings, contents, etc
- Restrictions on length, character sets, byte ranges, types of parameters, etc

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- Rulesets sharing mistakes:

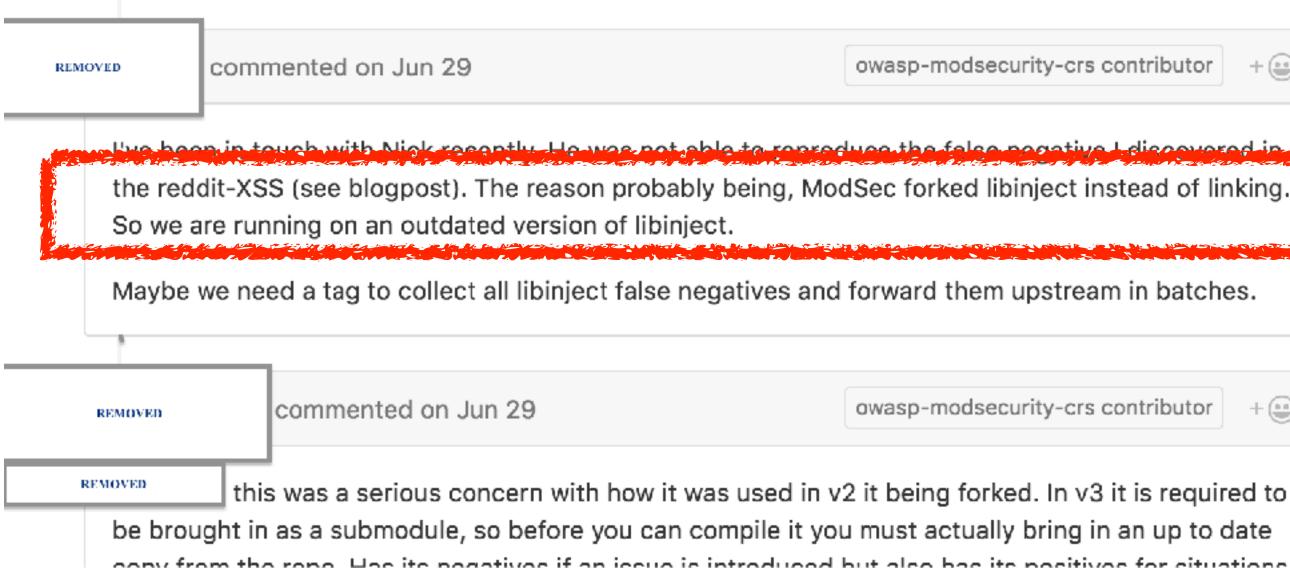
Normalisation and Rulesets Failure



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- Critical WAF components are not being updated:

• E.g, ModSecurity *libinjection* library



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tives and	forward them upstream in batches.						
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used in v2 it being forked. In v3 it is required to pile it you must actually bring in an up to date							

None yet

Labels

False Negative - Evasion

v3.1.0-rc1 Candidate Issue

Milestone

No milestone

Assignees

No one assigned

4 participants

- The Real Fundamental Reasons:

- Insufficient Signatures & Weak Rules
- Detecting vulnerabilities without context is HARD

I am a Pentester. Now What?

Your target is protected behind a WAF (or a filter). How can you spot a vulnerability?

1. Let's Identify WAF & Use known attack vectors.

2. No worries - Let's enumerate all possible attack vectors.

3. Ok then - Let's use a fuzzer (e.g AFL, LibFuzzer, etc)



LightBulb Inner Workings

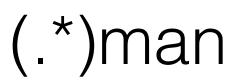
- 1. Formalise knowledge in code injection attacks variations using context free grammars and automata.
- 2. Use Learning algorithms to **expand this knowledge** by inferring specifications of parsers and WAFs
- 3. Cross check the inferred models for vulnerabilities.

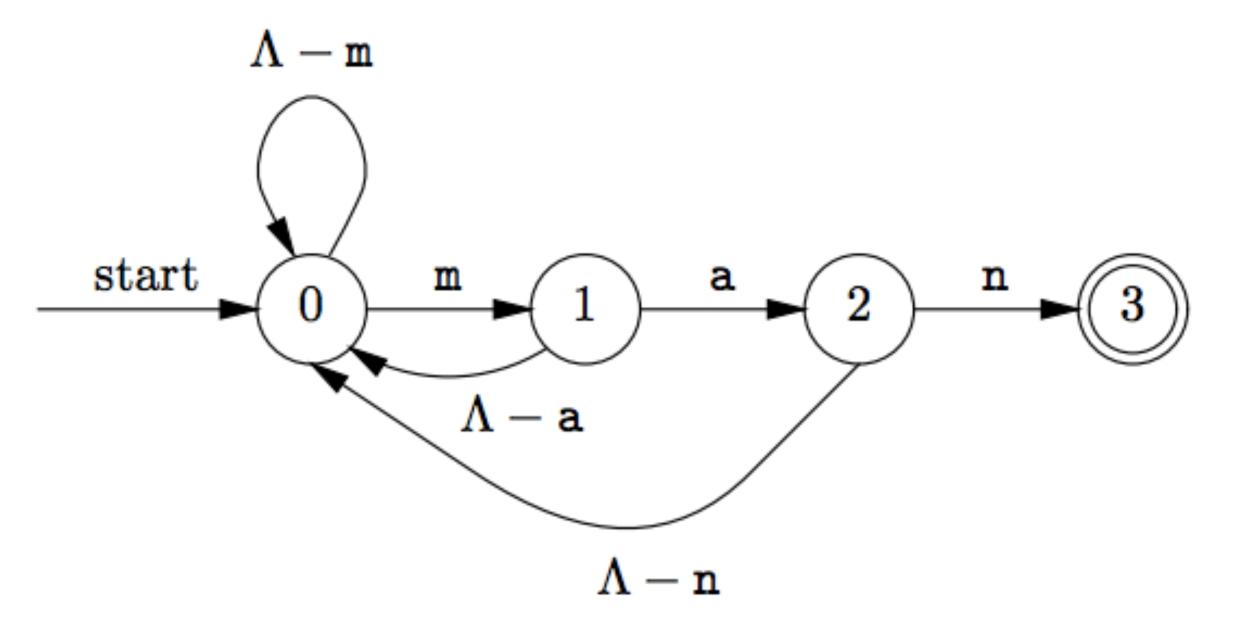
of the systems.

By using learning we can actively figure out important details

Regular Expressions & Finite Automata

Every regular expression can be converted to a Deterministic Finite Automaton.





Code Injection attacks into Grammars

- Context Free Grammars can be used to encode attack vectors.
- Grammar for extending WHERE conditions: "SELECT * FROM users WHERE id=**\$_GET[c]**;"

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order_exp: ORDER BY column_ref ascdesc_exp
limit_exp: LIMIT intnum
into_exp: INTO output_exp intnum
procedure_exp: PROCEDURE name ( literal )
literal: string | intnum
select_exp: SELECT name
union_exp: UNION select_exp
ascdesc_exp: ASC | DESC
column_ref: name
join exp: JOIN name ON name
for_exp: FOR UPDATE
lock_exp: LOCK IN SHARE MODE
output_exp: OUTFILE | DUMPFILE
string: name
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LightBulb Burp Extension

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Scenario Examination

We have a WAF and we want to find a bypass for it's filter

- We want to test a large number of potential known XSS or SQL attack vectors.
- Our attack vectors are defined or can be defined as grammars or regular expressions.

vectors?

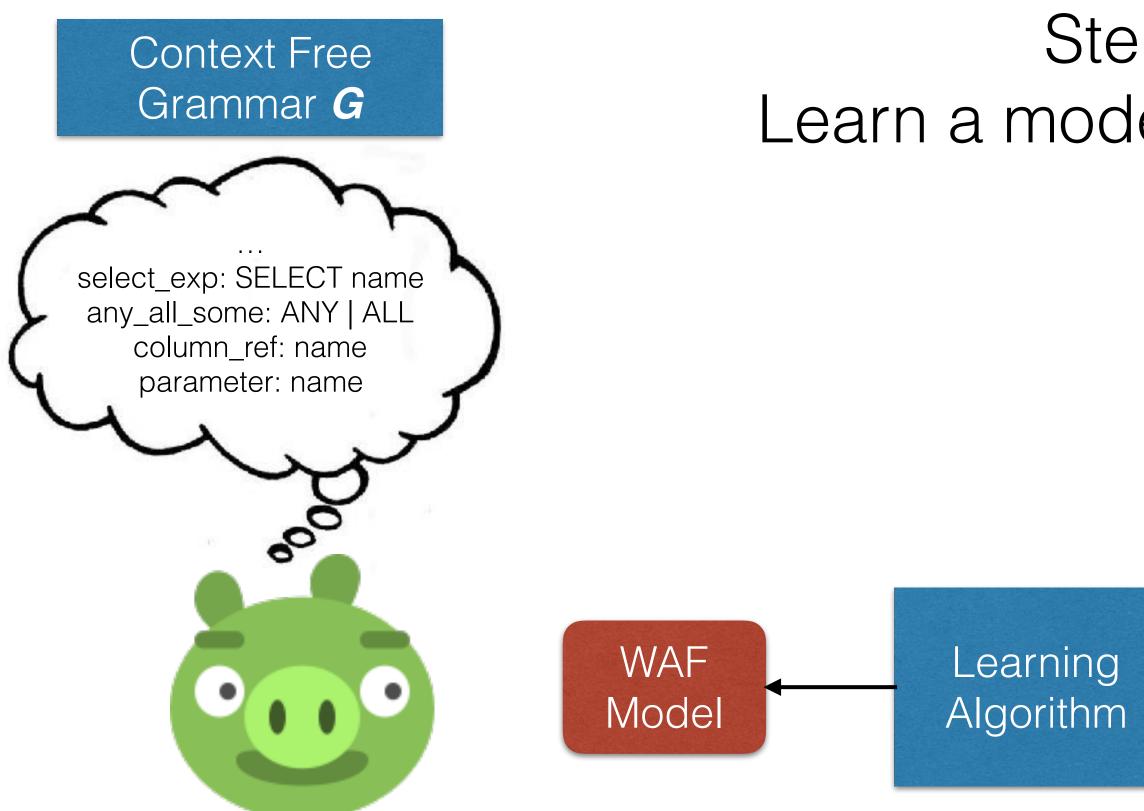
Why not even exploit the availability of open-source WAFs and use their filters (already in regular expression form) as attack

Grammar Oriented Filter Auditing (GOFA)

Use the grammar to drive the learning procedure.

Main idea:

Grammar Oriented Filter Auditing

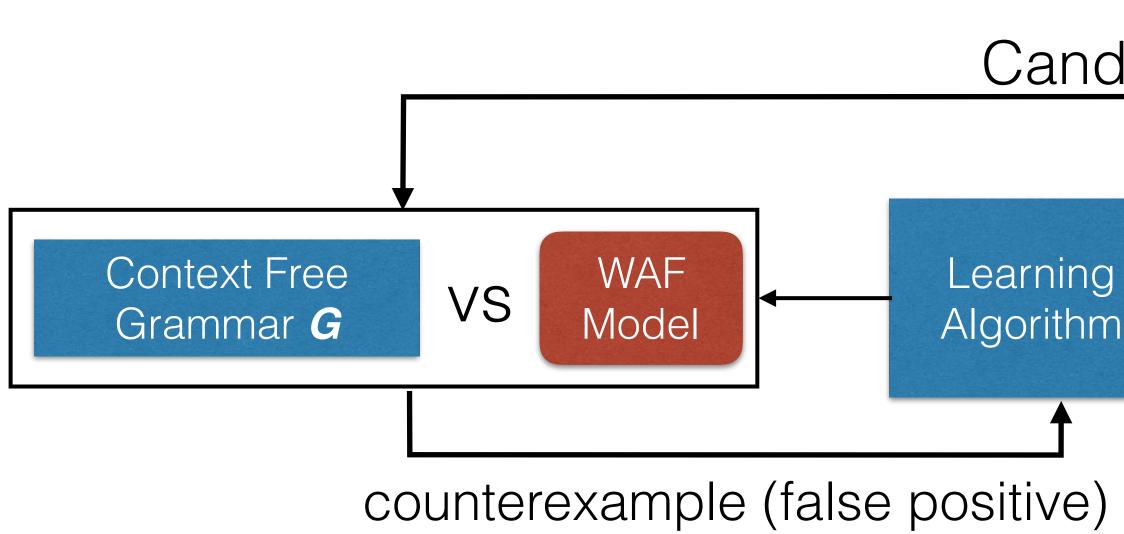


Step 1: Learn a model of the WAF.



Grammar Oriented Filter Auditing





Step 2: Find a v v v statistic finite v med a bis to grammar.

Candidate Bypass

Send Request to LightBulb

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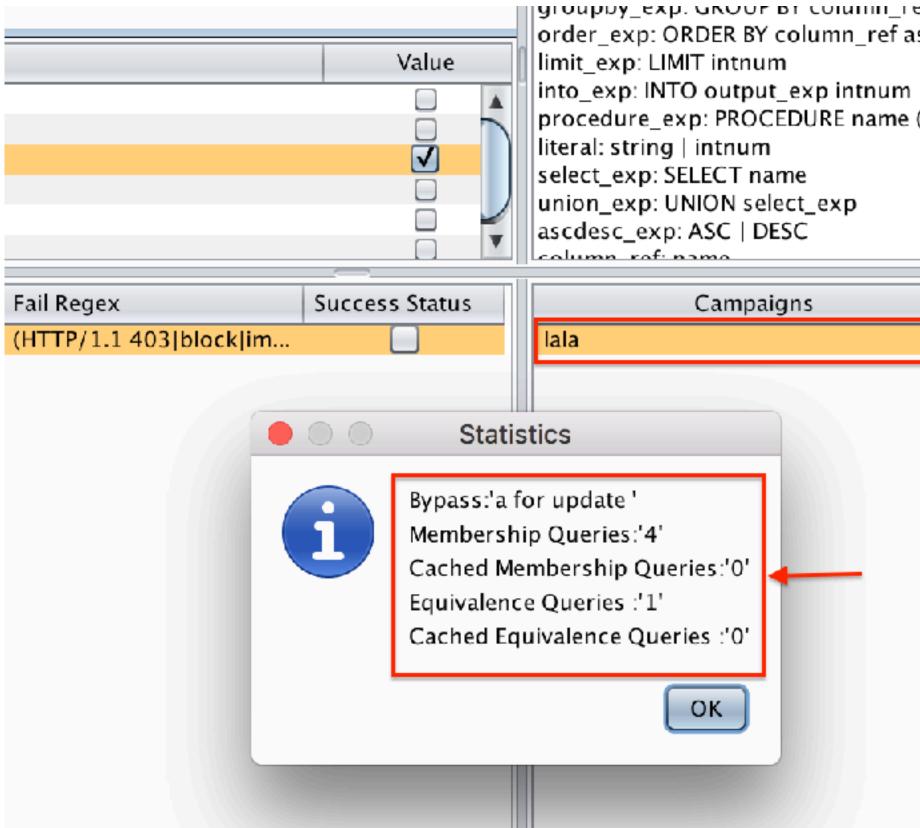
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However...

- In reality, we do not know the language parsed by most implementations.
 - MySQL is parsing **a different** SQL flavor than MS-SQL.
 - Browsers are **definitely not** parsing the HTML standard.
 - WAFs are doing **much more** than a simple RE matching.

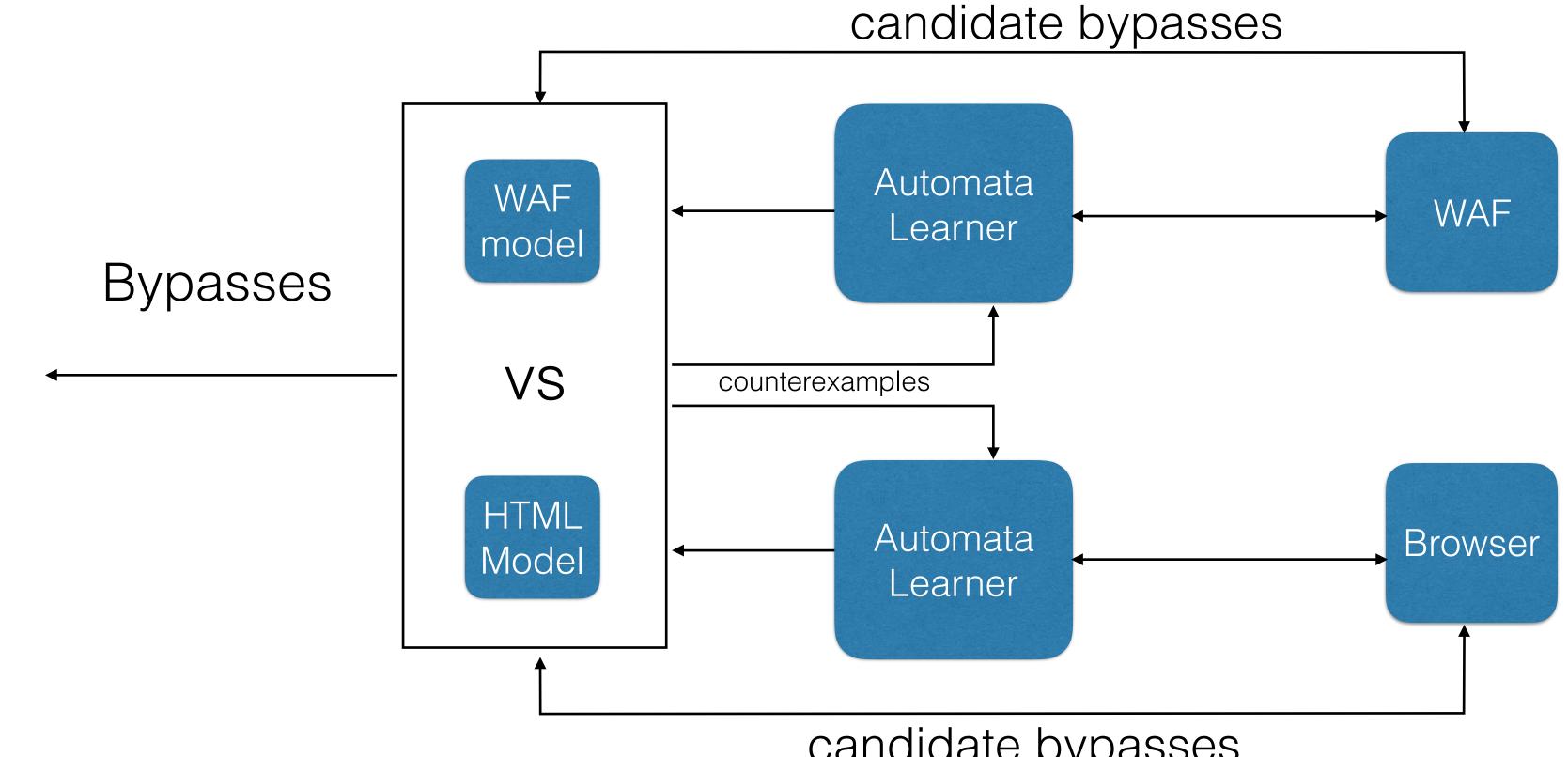
Scenario Re-Examination

- for finding vulnerabilities.
- HTML/SQL standard.
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- SFADiff: Use the same learning approach to also infer the **HTML** parser specification!

Available grammars and regular expressions are not always good

Expected bypasses result from attack vectors deviating from the

SFADiff: Learning new Attack Vectors



candidate bypasses

Set Grammar/Regex

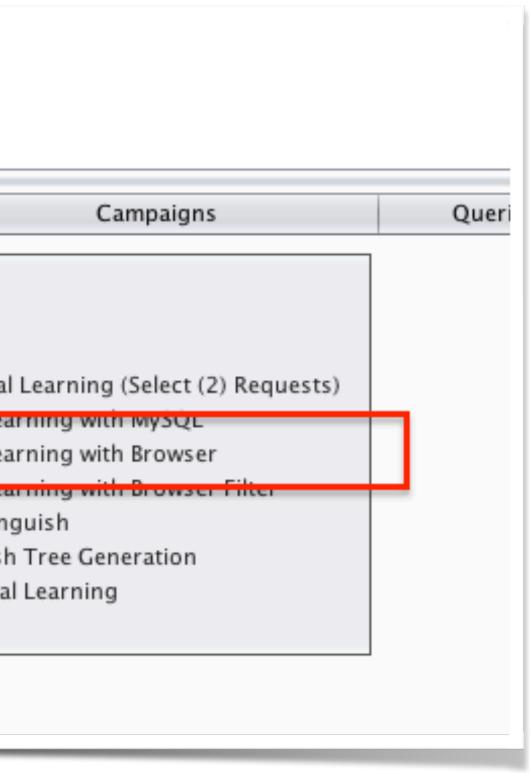
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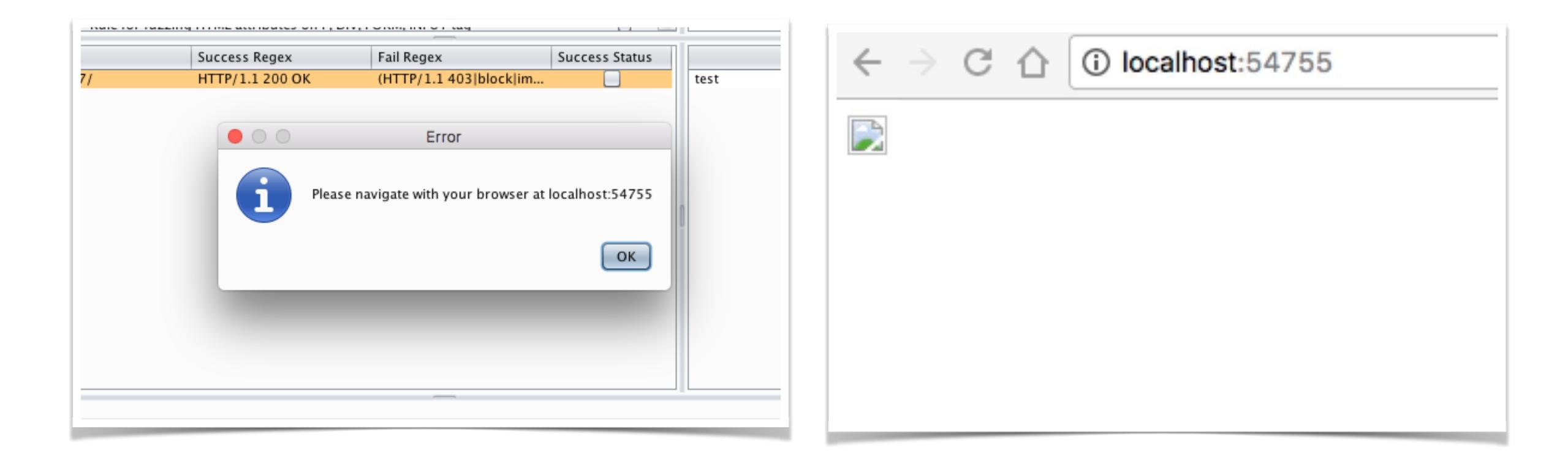
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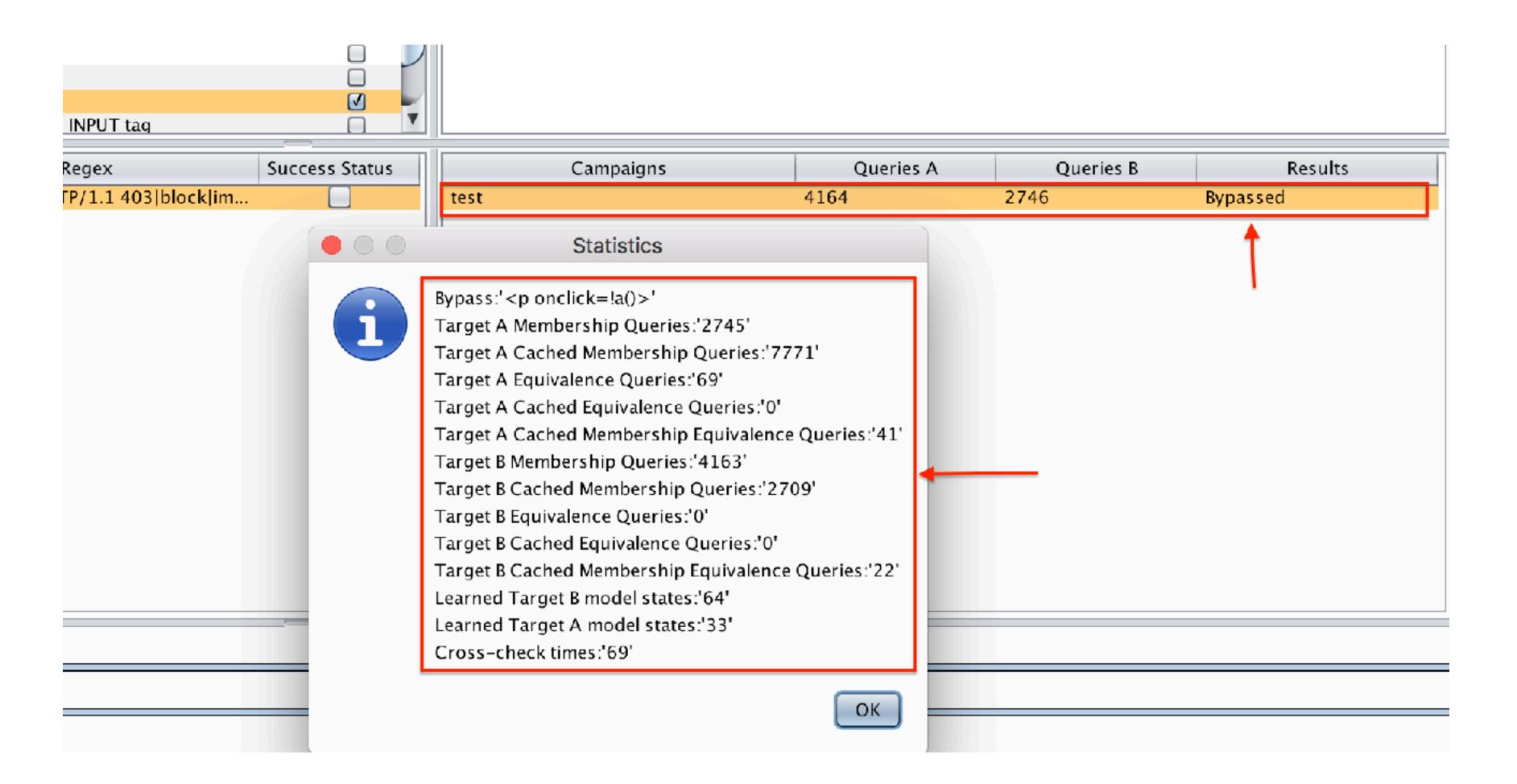
Start SFADiff



Infer Browser

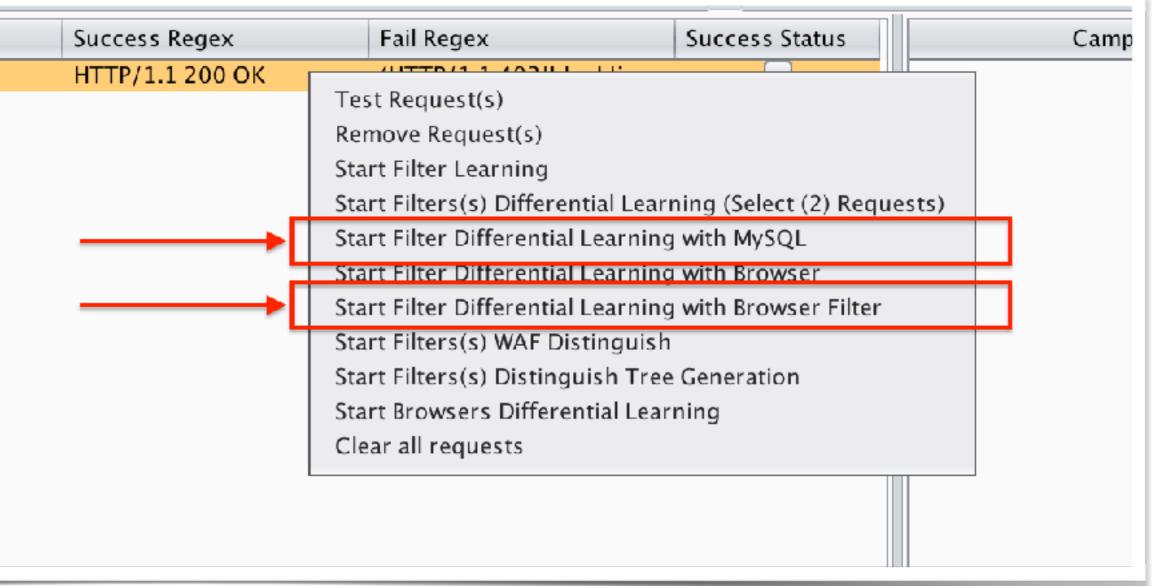


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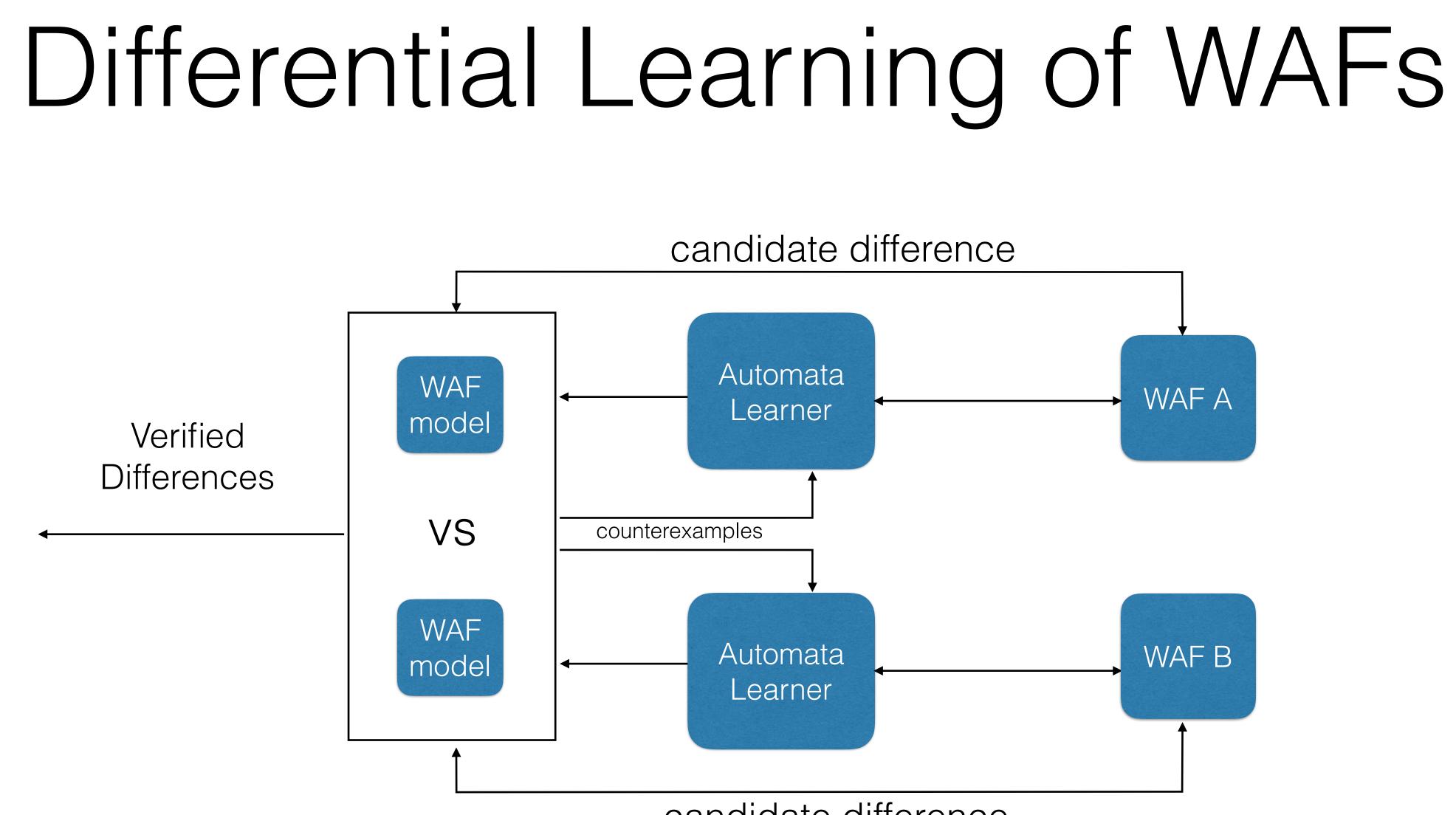


Using SFADiff to infer only HTML Parser?

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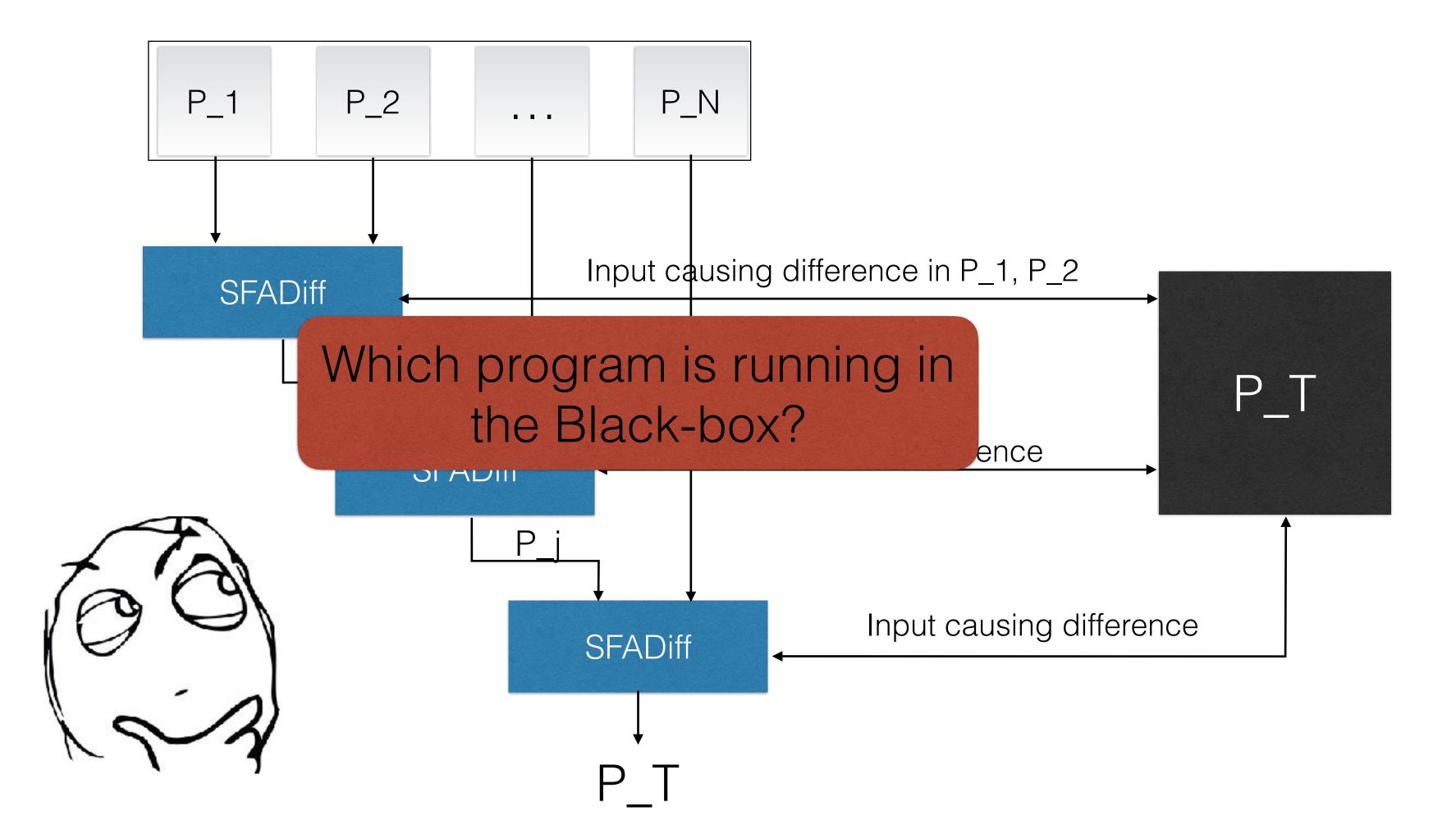


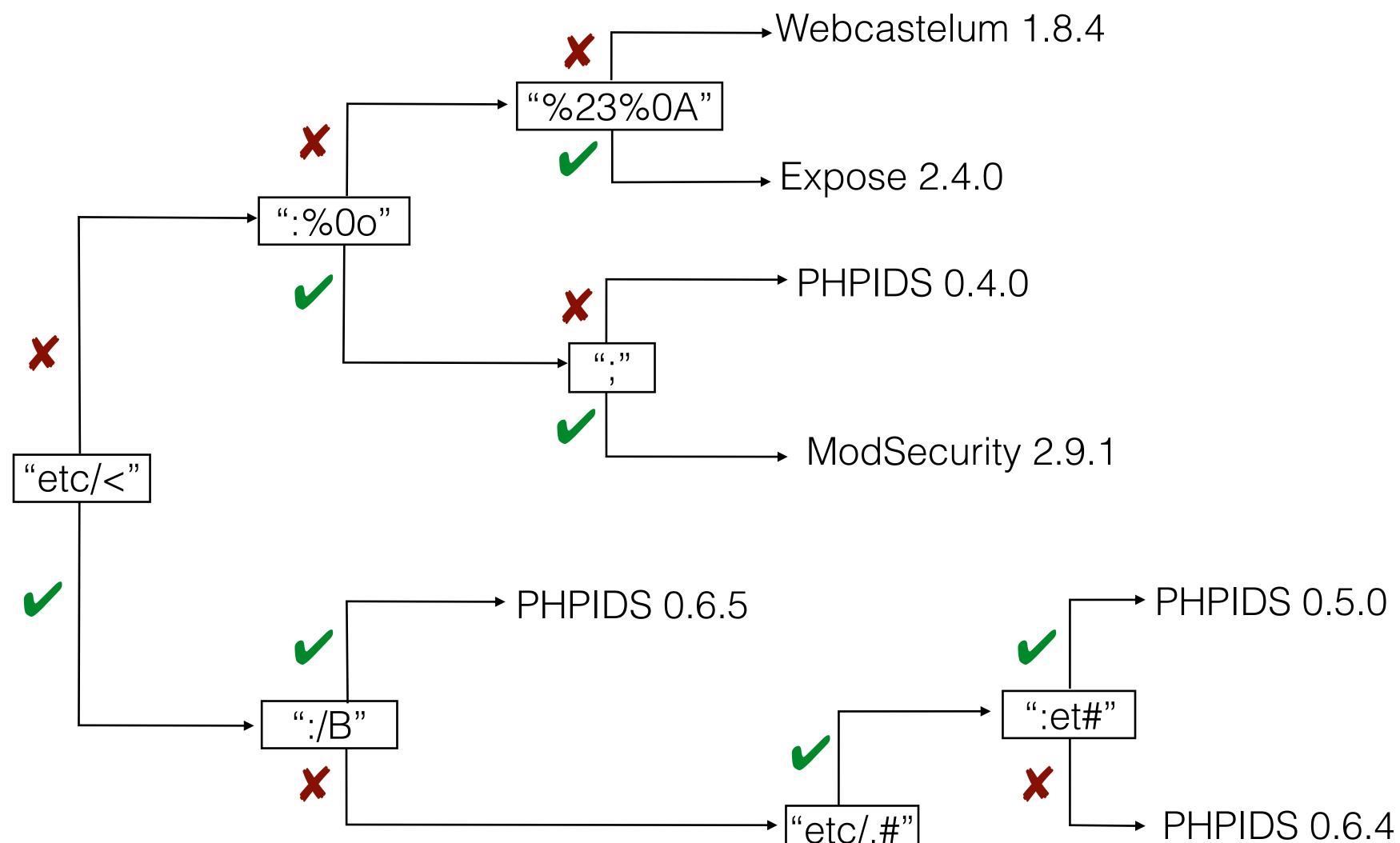
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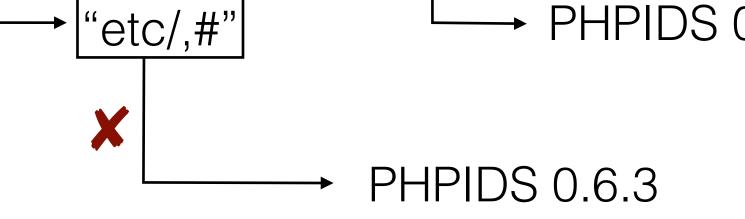


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Generating Program Fingerprints



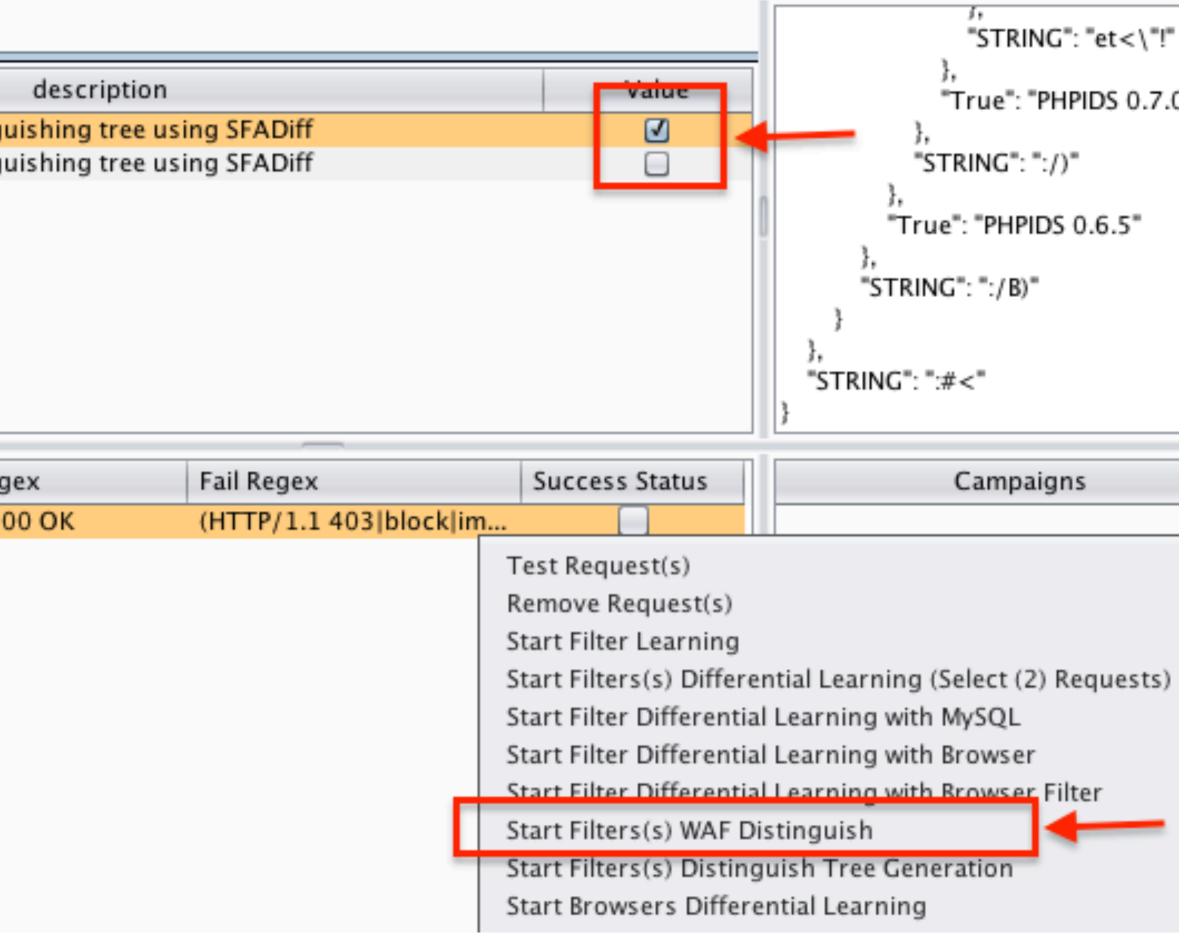




Fingerprinting WAFs

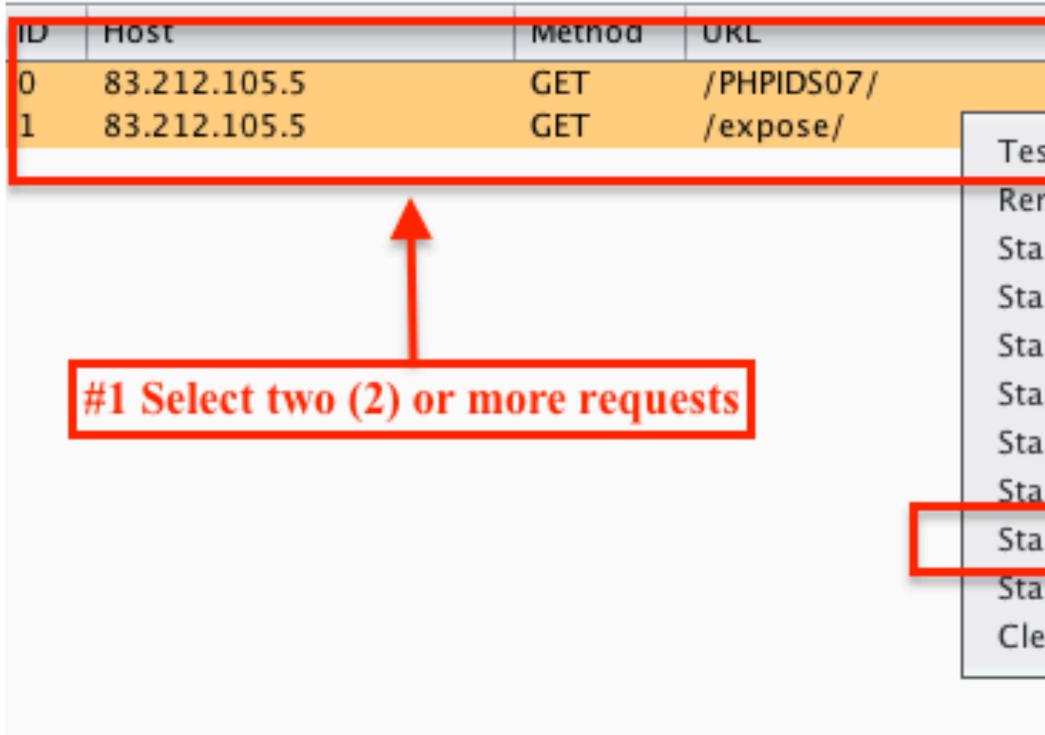
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Bonus: Generating Your Own Fingerprinting Trees

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Using SFAD iff to generate fingerprints for WAFS only?

Browser Fingerprinting



Vulnerabilities

• Grammar for extending search conditions: select * from users where user = admin and email = **\$_GET[c]**

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main: search_condition
search_condition: OR predicate | AND predicate
 all_or_any_predicate | existence_test
between_predicate: scalar_exp BETWEEN scalar_exp AND scalar_exp
like_predicate: scalar_exp LIKE atom
test_for_null: column_ref IS NULL
in_predicate: scalar_exp IN ( subquery ) | scalar_exp IN ( atom )
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- Example:

Affected: ModSecurity CRS 2.99, PHPIDS, WebCastellum, Expose

• Authentication bypass using the vector: or exists (select 1)

select * from users where username = **\$_GET['u']** and password = **\$_GET['p]**;

select * from users where username = **admin** and password = **a or exists (select 1)**

• Authentication by pass using the vector: 1 or a = 1

Example:

select * from users where username = **\$_GET['u']** and password = **\$_GET['p]**; select * from users where username = **admin** and password = 1 or isAdmin like 1

Affected: ModSecurity CRS 2.99, PHPIDS (only for statement with 'like'), WebCastellum, Expose

1 or a like 1

Example:

select * from users where username = admin and id = **\$_GET['u']**;

select * from users where username = admin and id = 1 and exists (select email)

Affected: ModSecurity CRS 2.99, PHPIDS, WebCastellum, Expose

• Columns/variables fingerprinting using the vectors: **and exists (select a)** a or a > any select a

• Grammar for extending select queries:

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select * from users where user = \$_GET[c]

• Data retrieval by pass using the vector: 1 right join a on a = a

Example:

select * from articles left join authors on author.id=**\$_GET['id']** users.id

Affected: ModSecurity CRS 2.99, WebCastellum

- select * from articles left join authors on author.id = 1 right join users on author.id =

Example:

select * from users where username = **\$_GET['u']**;

select * from users where username = admin group by email asc

Affected: ModSecurity CRS 2.99, PHPIDS, WebCastellum, Expose

• Columns/variables fingerprinting using the vectors: a group by a asc

Example:

select * from users where username = **\$_GET['u']**;

select * from users where username = admin procedure analyze()

Affected: libInjection

• Columns/variables fingerprinting using the vectors: procedure a (a)

SFADiff XSS Bypass

- XSS Attack vectors in PHPIDS 0.7/ Expose 2.4.0
- Other types of events can also be use used for the attack (e.g. "onClick").
- Rules 71, 27, 2 and 65 are related to this insufficient pattern match.

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Future Work

- Currently building many optimizations.
- We have a similar line of work on sanitizers.
- Incorporate fuzzers to improve models.
- Our vision is to enforce a standard for such products.

New ideas?



LightBulb



Grab Light Bulb: b-framework.github



