

Document parsers "research" as passive income

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Who is this guy

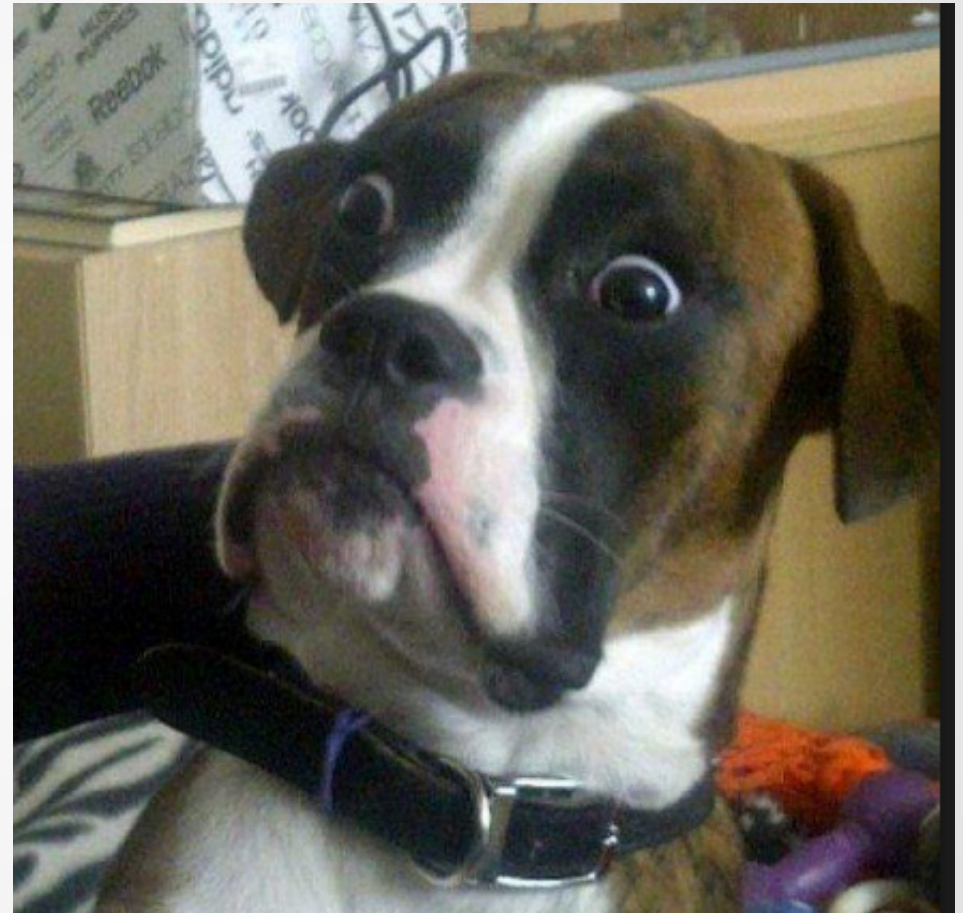
- Jaanus Kääp
- Working at Clarified Security
 - Vulnerability testing, research, trainings, cyber excercises
- Lazy

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- Then found out who is #12
 - JAMES FORSHAW
- **WTF?**



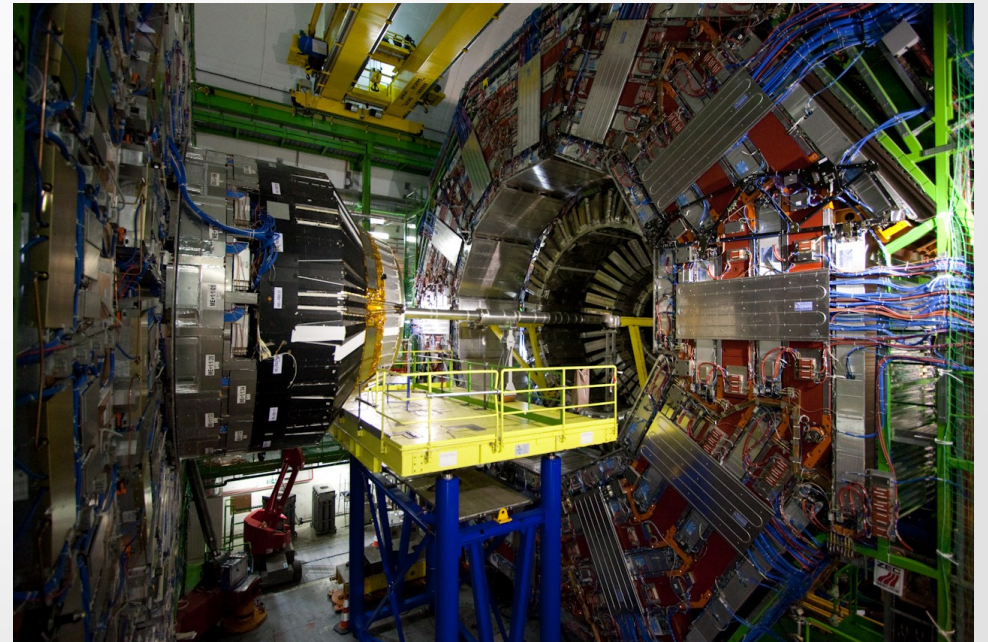
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„Research” vs Research



VS



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- **Pissed me off so here we are**

Topic itself

- Fuzzing
- My corpus distillation method
- Tools I developed
- Using with other stuff

Fuzzing

- Simple bit flipping
- 2-6 PC (Zotacs mostly)
 - Electricity cost nothing in Estonia
- Nothing special
- Except fuzzing set

Fuzzing set

- As much functionality as possible
- Lazy == no protocol implementation
- Very common filetype
- Multiple parsers

Corpus distillation

- What you need
 - Huge number of initial files
 - Application that can read them
 - Time and/or computing power
- What you do
 - Code coverage with every input
 - Analyse the coverage of all the files
 - Minimize the set

Code coverage

- Open source – simple (special flags)
- Closed source
 - Trace the code (dead slow)
 - Some tools/libs: Pin, DynamoRIO
 - Intel® PT*
 - Write coverage tool yourself

Code coverage

- Basic blocks breakpoints
- First idea:
 - Breakpoint to every basic block
- First implementation
 - Set breakpoints
 - Write down each bp-event
 - Continue execution

How to get basic blocks

- IDA pro + IDAPython
- Each basic block
 - RVA from base address

First process

- Prep
 - IDA analysis
 - Basic blocks file generation
- Execution
 - Insert breakpoint
 - Catch 0xCC exceptions
 - If in the basic block list
 - Record location
 - Replace 0xCC with original value
 - $EIP = EIP - 1$

First run

- Foxit software
 - 611 927 breakpoint
 - Conf: 8 sec wait
 - 180 seconds for setup
 - 30 seconds for execution
 - TOTAL: $\sim 210\text{s}/\text{execution} \Rightarrow 411$ runs per day
- **TOO SLOW**

How to speed up?

- Most time was spent on setting breakpoints
- What is breakpoint
 - 0xCC
- Why not set them in executable?

How to get basicblocks

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- Each basic block
 - RVA from base address
 - RVA/Offset in the file
 - Original value

New process

- Prep
 - IDA analysis
 - Basic blocks file generation
 - Modification of the exe/dll files
- Execution
 - Catch 0xCC exceptions
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 - $EIP = EIP - 1$

Second run

- Foxit software
 - 611 927 breakpoint
 - Conf: 8 sec wait
 - 30 seconds for execution
 - TOTAL: ~30s/execution
- **MUCH BETTER**

Additional optimization

- Reducing basic blocks count
 - Analyse some(100-1000) files
 - Take some(1-25) files with most coverage
 - Add them to final set
 - Remove basicblocks covered by them

Third run

- Foxit software (simple example)
 - <600 000 breakpoint
 - Conf: 8 sec wait
 - 12 seconds for execution
 - TOTAL: ~12s/execution
- **50% overhead only for close source software**

DEMO

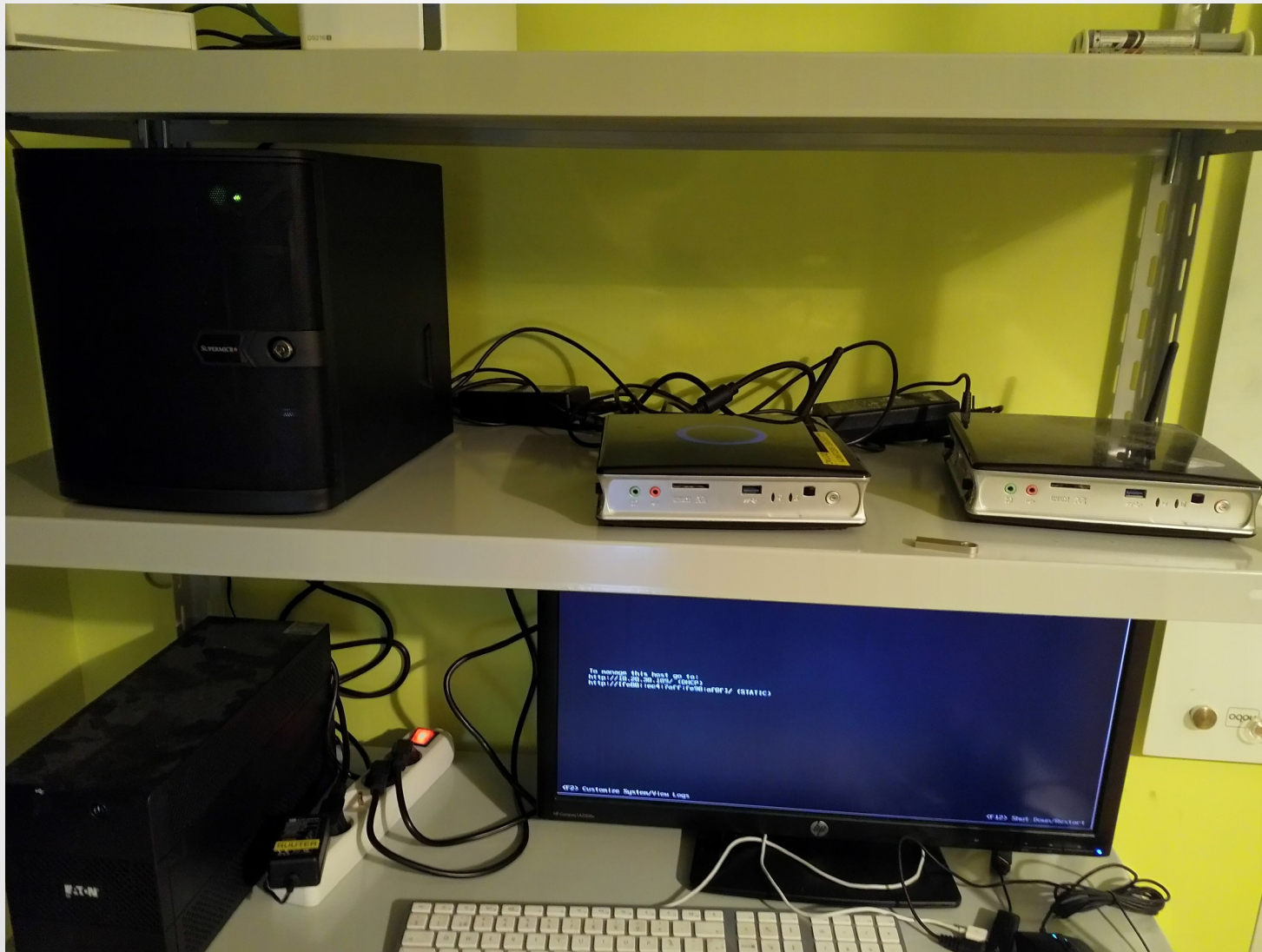
How large initial set you need?

What does corpus distillation look like at Google scale? Turns out we have a large index of the web, so we cranked through 20 terabytes of SWF file downloads followed by 1 week of run time on 2,000 CPU cores to calculate the minimal set of about 20,000 files. Finally, those same 2,000 cores plus 3 more weeks of runtime

Google server room



My server room

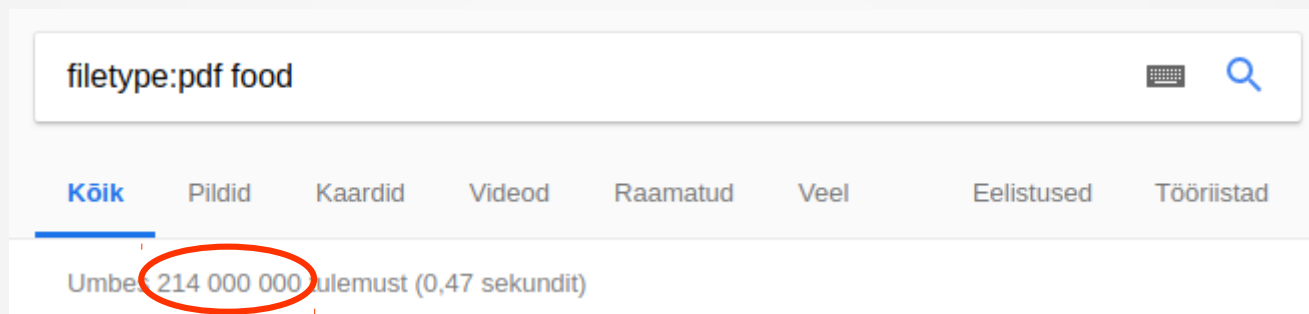


Final sets

Software	Initial set	Final set
PDF	~1 500 000	2216
DOC	~1 500 000	1309
XLS	~1 500 000	1951
PPT	~1 500 000	1379
SWF	~1 500 000	1495*

How to get these files?

- Google „filetype:pdf“



How to get these files?

< Goooooooooooooogle
Eelmine 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

Additional problems

- Not real pdf files
- DDOS protection

Solution

- Searches
 - filetype:pdf aa
 - filetype:pdf ab
 - filetype:pdf ac
- Not real pdf files
 - Magic value - %PDF
- DDOS protection
 - It's all about timing
 - **45** seconds wait

Additional tricks

- Collecting files from multiple IPs
- Anyone here from Google?
 - Please close your eyes and ears for 1-2 minute
 - Possible violation of Terms of Service
 - Hopefully not :)

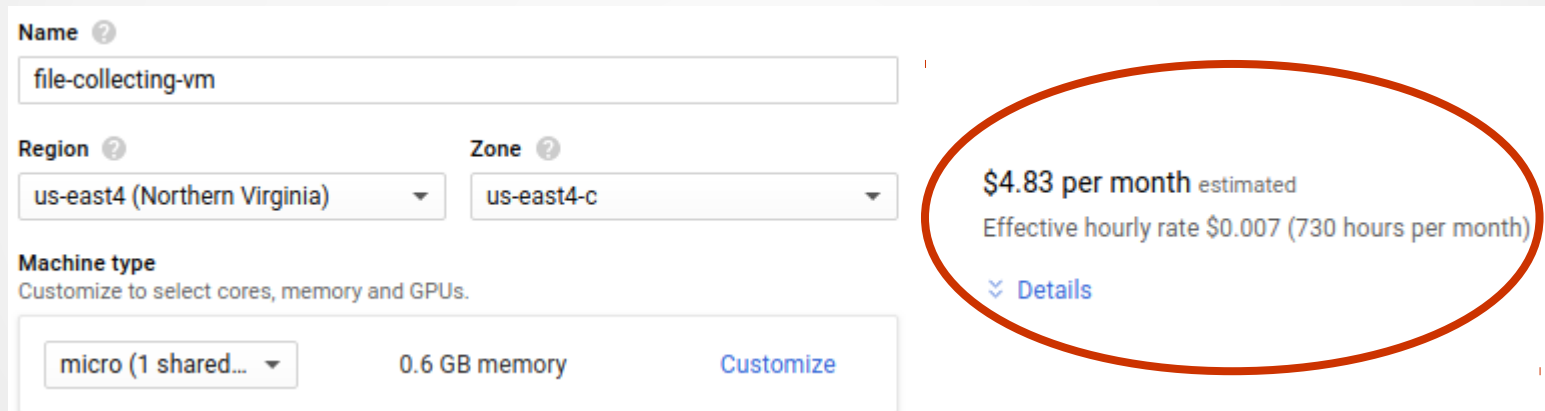
Additional tricks



Google Cloud

Additional tricks

- Every VM gets it's own public IP
- Even the smallest and cheapest one



The screenshot shows the Google Cloud Platform VM configuration interface. The 'Name' field is 'file-collecting-vm'. The 'Region' is 'us-east4 (Northern Virginia)' and the 'Zone' is 'us-east4-c'. The 'Machine type' is 'micro (1 shared...)' with '0.6 GB memory'. A 'Customize' link is present. To the right, a red oval highlights the pricing information: '\$4.83 per month estimated' and 'Effective hourly rate \$0.007 (730 hours per month)', with a 'Details' link below it.

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file-collecting-vm

Region [?] Zone [?]
us-east4 (Northern Virginia) us-east4-c

Machine type
Customize to select cores, memory and GPUs.

micro (1 shared... 0.6 GB memory [Customize](#)

\$4.83 per month estimated
Effective hourly rate \$0.007 (730 hours per month)
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Additional tricks

- IT gets just a bit better

Name ?
file-collecting-vm

Region ? Zone ?
us-west1 (Oregon) us-west1-b

Machine type
Customize to select cores, memory and GPUs.

micro (1 shared... 0.6 GB memory [Customize](#)

\$4.28 per month estimated
Effective hourly rate \$0.006 (720 hours per month)
Your first 744 hours of f1-micro instance usage are free this month. [Learn more](#)
[Details](#)

Results & CVE-s

Vendor	CVE count
Microsoft	27
Adobe	45
Apple*	2

- Bit over 2 per month + some coming
- Actually more findings - lot from Foxit
 - Vendor not giving CVE-s == no CVE (pure laziness)

How bad against others

- Did use doc fileset to fuzz smaller office software
 - Libreoffice (64bit)
 - 32 bit + full page heap == crash.....
 - WPS office
 - Polaris office
- 5days * 24hours * 16 VMs
- Microsoft & Adobe seem lot better after that

Unique crashes (reverified)

Software	ITERATIONS	NOT NULL	NULL
Libreoffice	~64K(~800/day)	6	2
WPS	~256K(~3200/day)	24	7
Polaris	~120K(~1500/day)	60	47

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Software	DEP	OOBR	OVERFLOW	UAF	UNINITED	???	NULL
Libreoffice		2		2		2	2
WPS	1	14	2	1		6	7
Polaris		32	1	5	6	16	47

My toolset „Rehepapp”

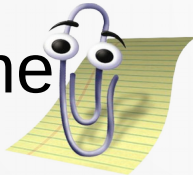
- Analyzer tool & IDA scripts for BB list
- Tracer software
- Server for gathering data & analysis
- Scripts for file collection & coverage
- Supporting software for data modification

Along with others

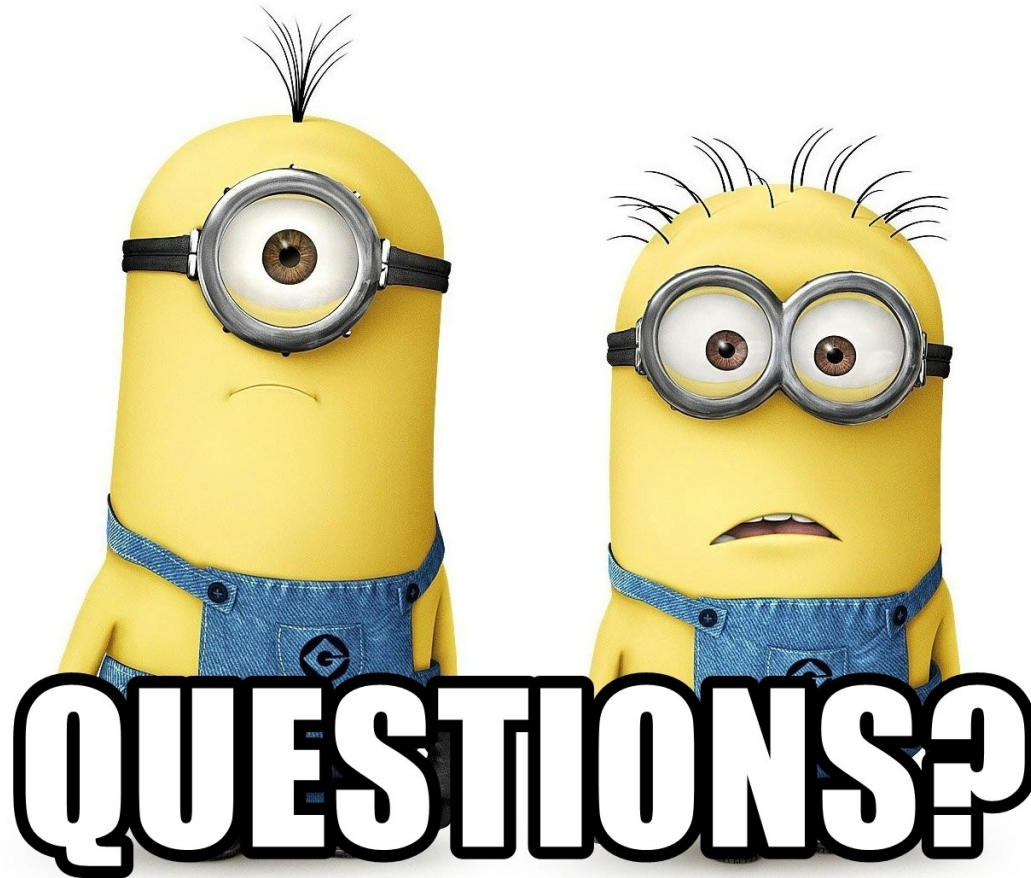
- Input set for AFL
 - Already good coverage
 - WinAFL for closed stuff
- Help for RE by coverage info into IDA
 - Scripts will be included in future
- Possible future work
 - Replace most with Intel PT via WindowsIntelPT

Tools & sets

- Tool address
 - <https://github.com/FoxHex0ne/Rehepapp>
- For POC participants only: doc fileset
 - http://www.segfault.ee/POC_DOC.zip
 - Or ask from me



Q & A





Thank you

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