Contain Yourself:
Building Mobile Secure Containers

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- How are Secure Containers Created?
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Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

- Enterprises are embracing "Bring Your Own Device" (BYOD)
- Employees use personal devices to access company resources
- Unlike managed devices, device policies **cannot** be enforced

Why BYOD?

What are Secure Containers?

- ✓ Data storage protection performed at the application level
- ✓ Does not rely on OS security features being activated
- ✓ Allows security policies to be enforced at the application level

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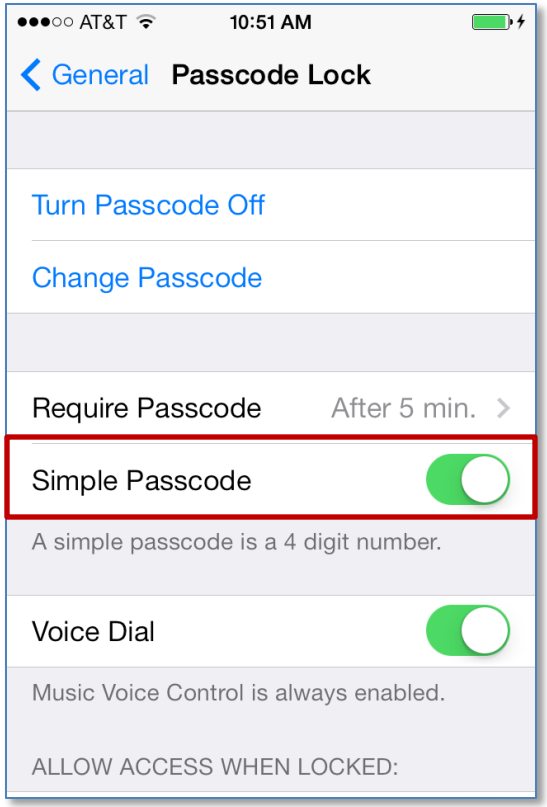
Why Secure Containers?

- Orgs want employees to have **convenient** access to sensitive resources (email, documents, apps with sensitive data, etc)
- Allows them to have control of their data on unmanaged devices

Why Secure Containers?

Unmanaged Devices

- Organizations **cannot** enforce
  - Device is passcode protected (Data Protection)
  - Device Passcode Policies
  - Remote Wipes
  - Device is not Jailbroken



Data Protection (DP)

- Developers can opt-in to use DP APIs
- Must crack device passcode to access data

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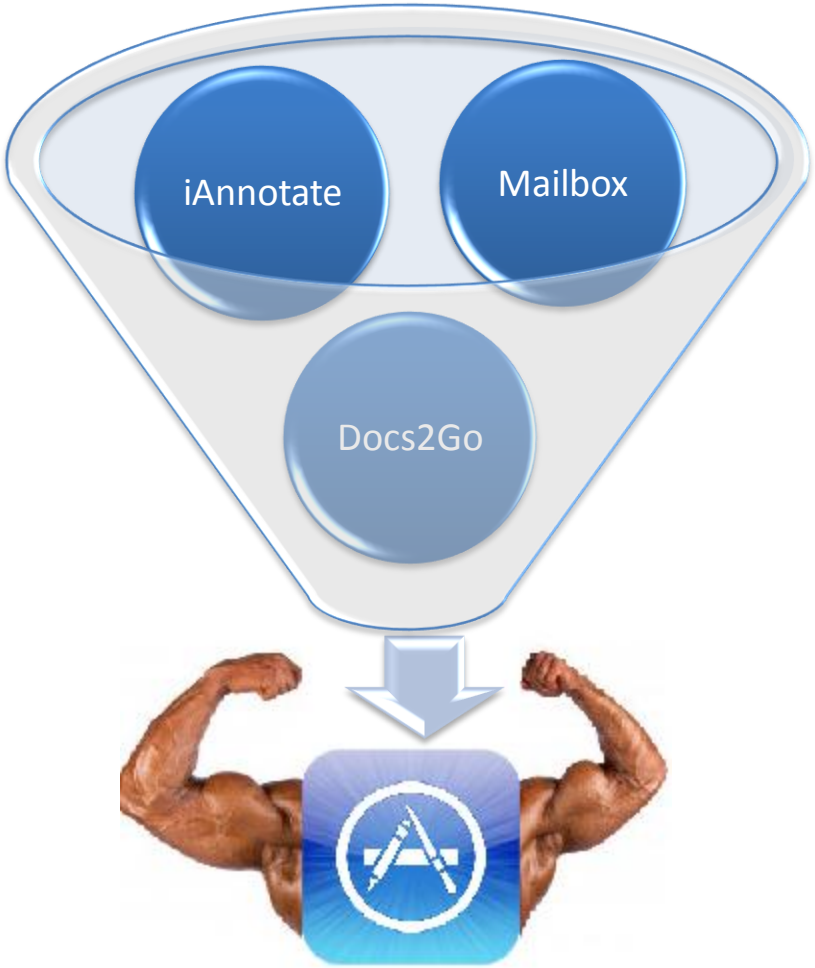
How Are Secure Containers Made?

- Application Wrapping
- Functionality injected into existing applications
- Enforces security at the application level
  - Data encryption at rest
  - Authentication
  - Policy enforcement
- No code changes required by developer

Application Wrapping



iOS App Wrapping Analysis

Citrix Cloud Gateway MDX Application Wrapping Analysis

- Tool accepts IPA files
- Application is re-signed using Distribution Certificate
- Outputs a new wrapped IPA file

Let's analyze the output

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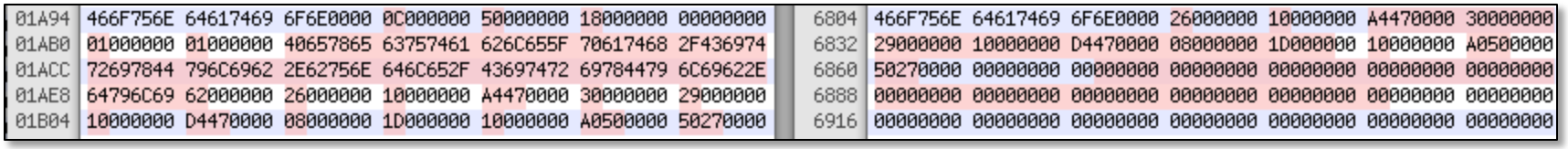
Diffing a pre-wrapped and post-wrapped iOS binary with HexFiend



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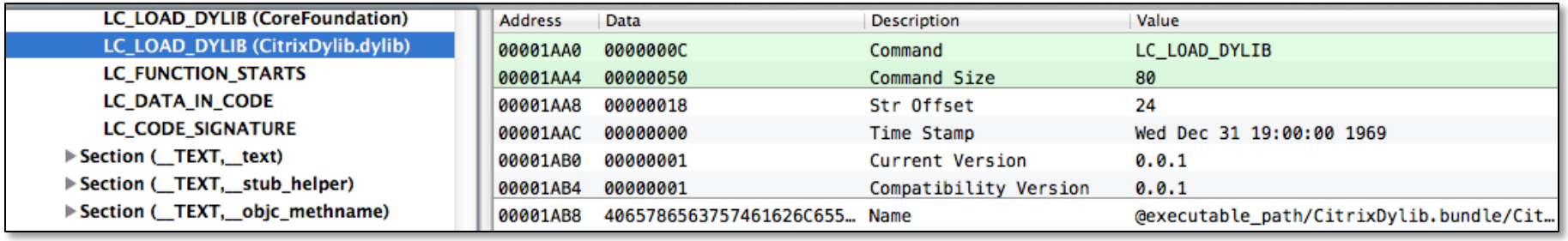
View address offset with MachOView tool to see what was changed



- LC_LOAD_DYLIB (CoreFoundation)
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- LC_FUNCTION_STARTS
- LC_DATA_IN_CODE
- LC_CODE_SIGNATURE
- ▶ Section (__TEXT,__text)
- ▶ Section (__TEXT,__stub_helper)
- ▶ Section (__TEXT,__objc_methname)

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00001AA4	00000050	Command Size	80
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00001AAC	00000000	Time Stamp	Wed Dec 31 19:00:00 1969
00001AB0	00000001	Current Version	0.0.1
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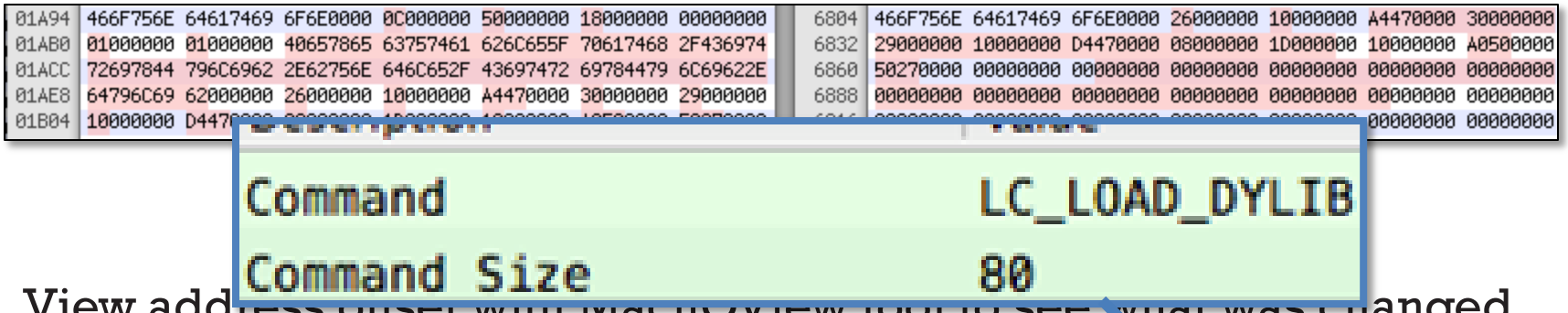

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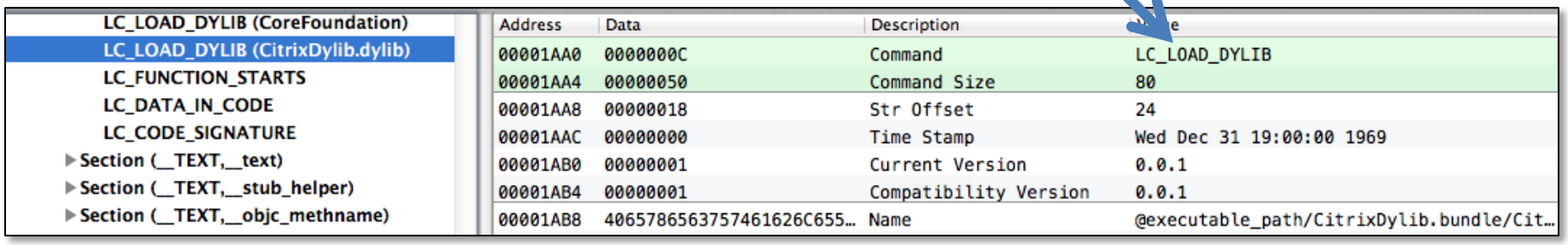

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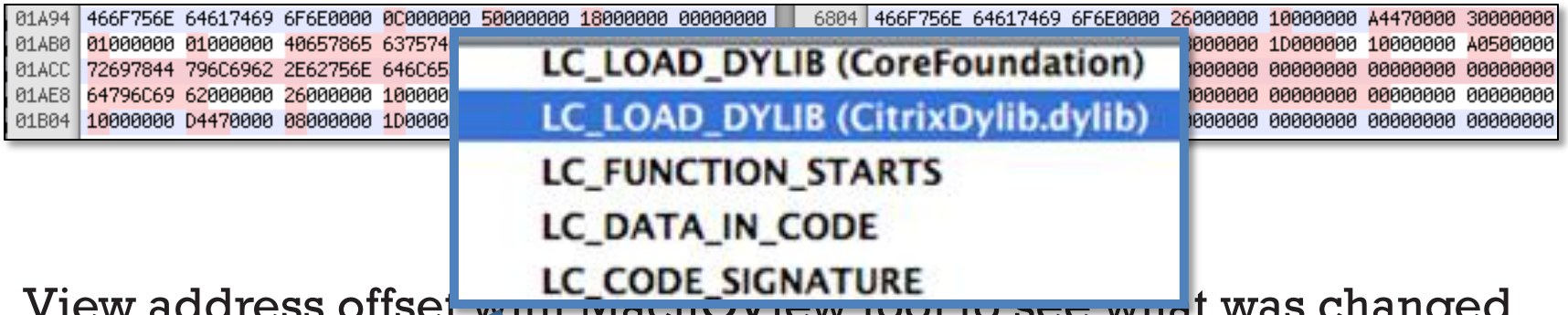

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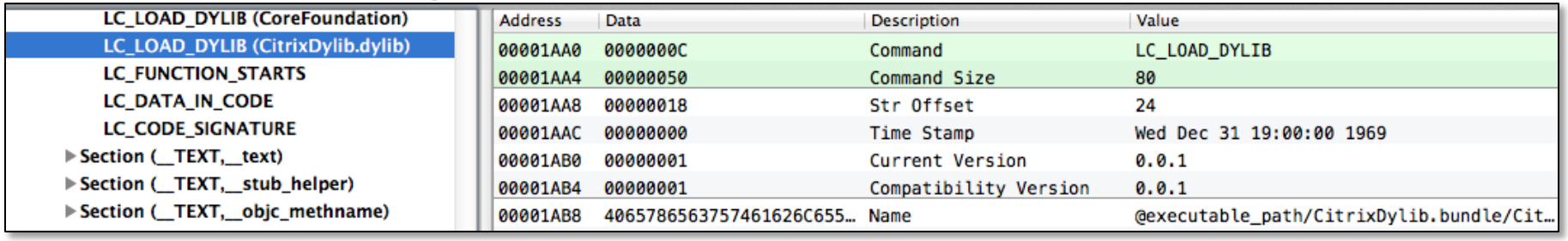

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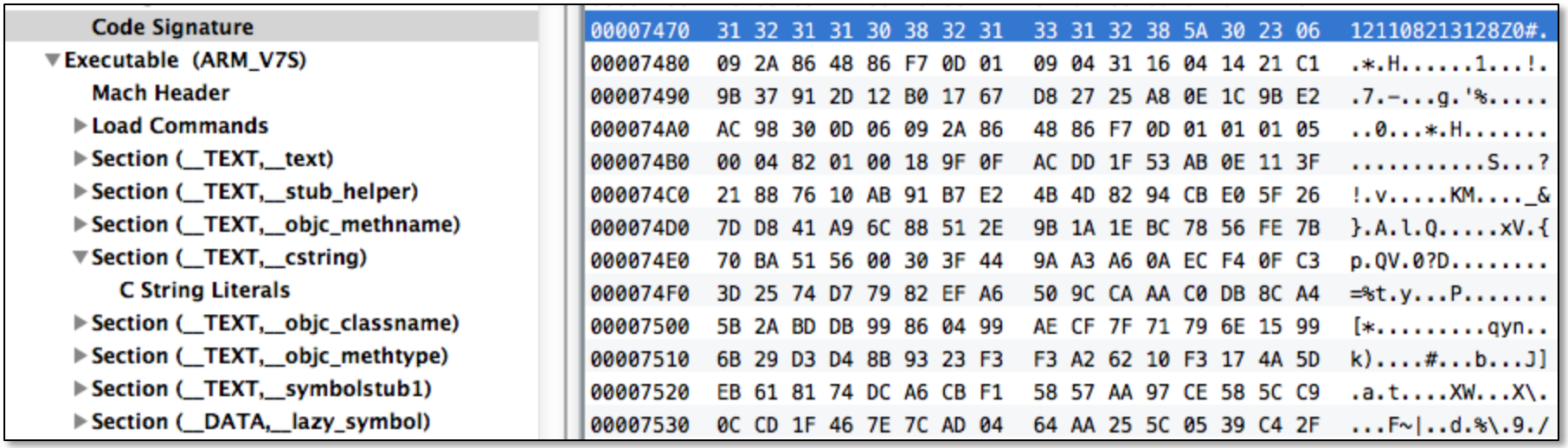

Updates to the Code Signature of the Binary

iOS Method Swizzling

- Can modify implementations of iOS Objective-C methods
  - http://cocoadev.com/wiki/MethodSwizzling
- Seen in Cydia applications
  - MobileSubstrate Tweaks
  - Cycript

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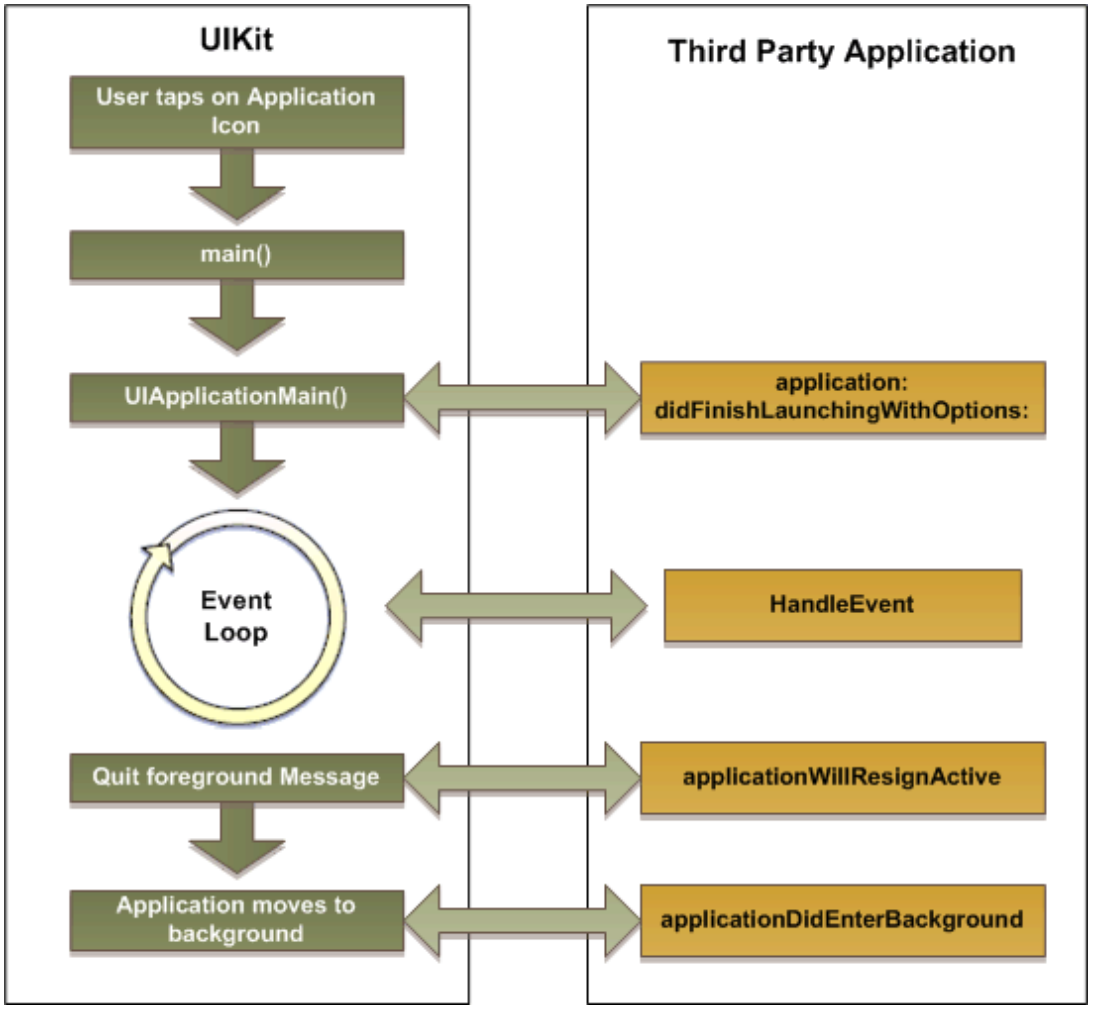

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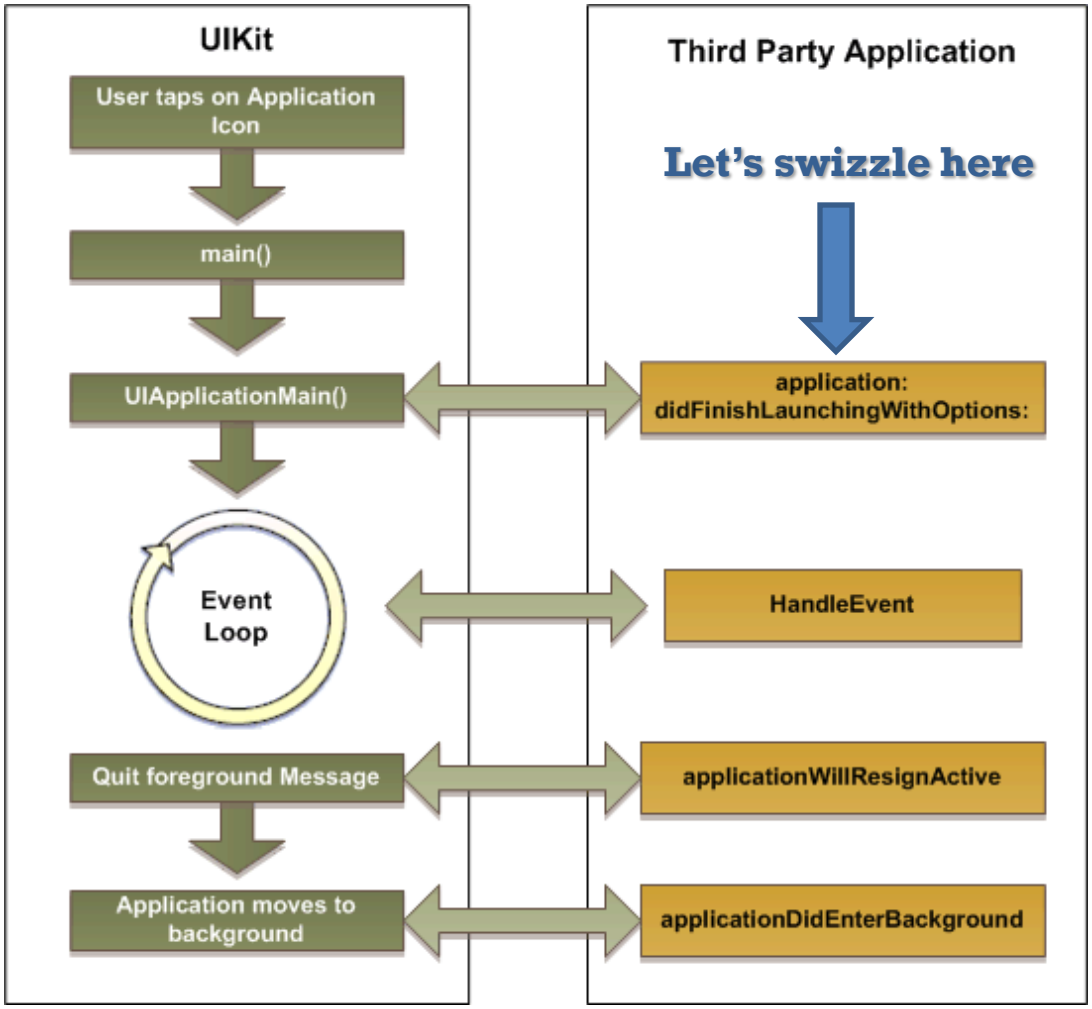

Swizzle Early

- Static/Dynamic libraries can overwrite implementations upon startup
- Implement swizzling within load method on Obj-C objects

+(void) load
Invoked whenever a class or category is added to the Objective-C runtime; implement this method to perform class-specific behavior upon loading.

The load message is sent to classes and categories that are both dynamically loaded and statically linked, but only if the newly loaded class or category implements a method that can respond.

https://developer.apple.com/library/ios/documentation/Cocoa/Reference/Foundation/Classes/nsobject_Class/Reference/Reference.html#//apple_ref/occ/clm/NSObject/load

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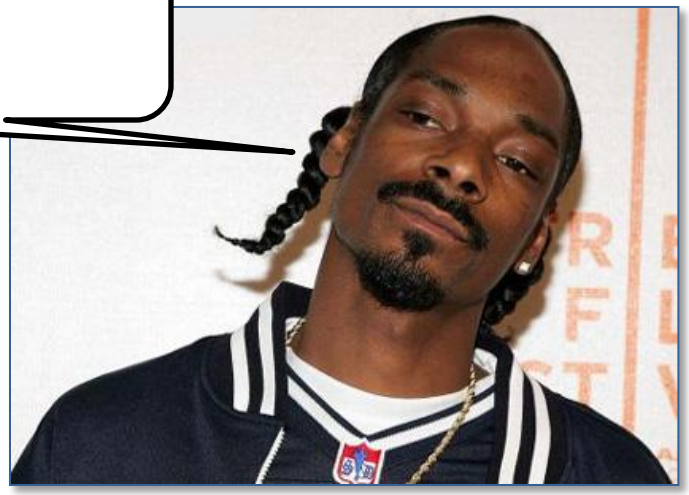
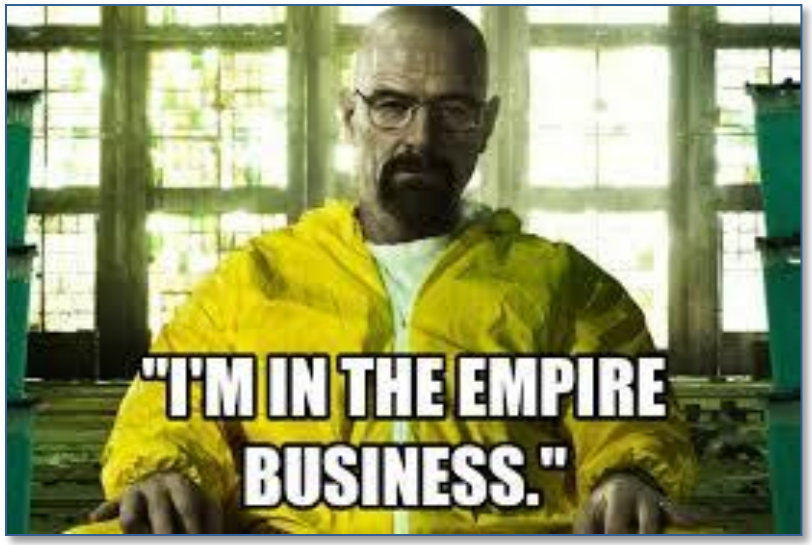
So I heard we are gonna get swizzled up in this piece?.. Nah mean?



DEMO: METHOD SWIZZLING

I Can Swizzle.. Now What?

- That was a simple POC on how to implement a secure container solution using a static library
- What now?
  - Org-wide static library can solve the various common iOS security issues
- Apparently there is a market for these things as well



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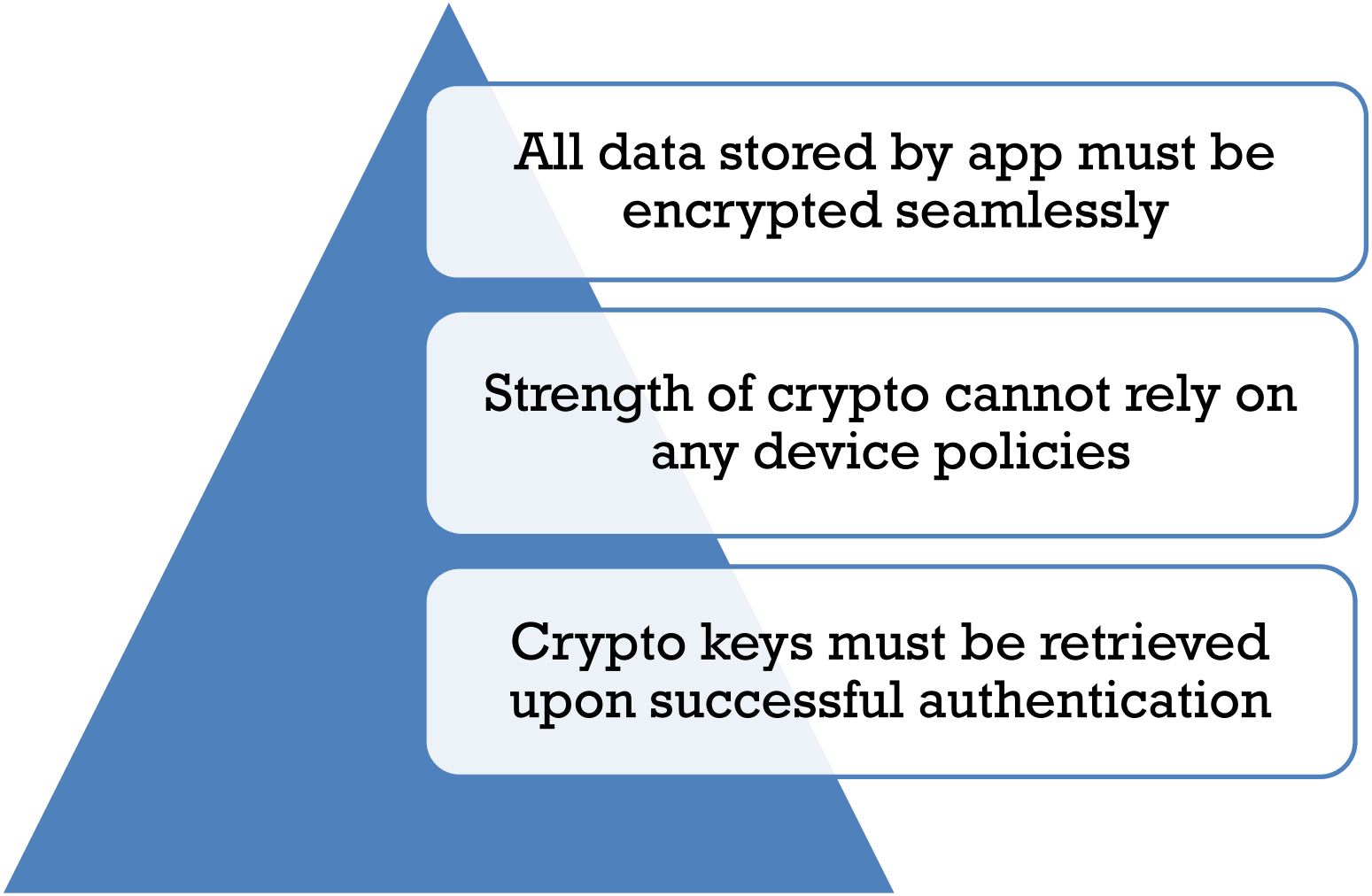

Authentication Designs

- Broken By Design
  - Storing crypto key on the device
  - Crypto key derivation material stored on device
  - Data storage not protected by app authentication passcode

Might as well start encrypting with ROT13+1
@YOLOCrypto approved algorithm

Essentially Security By Obscurity

Real World Example

- Mint - Financial Management Application
- Supports passcode protection
- Passcode is not used to protect any application data
- Susceptible to client-side bypass via Runtime Manipulation

Let's bypass it

Bypassing Mint Pin Screen

- Decrypt AppStore Binary using Clutch
- Run class-dump on the decrypted binary
  - Prints out class information from Mach-O files
- Identify some methods which might control the lock screen

“Mach-O Man” Randy Savage

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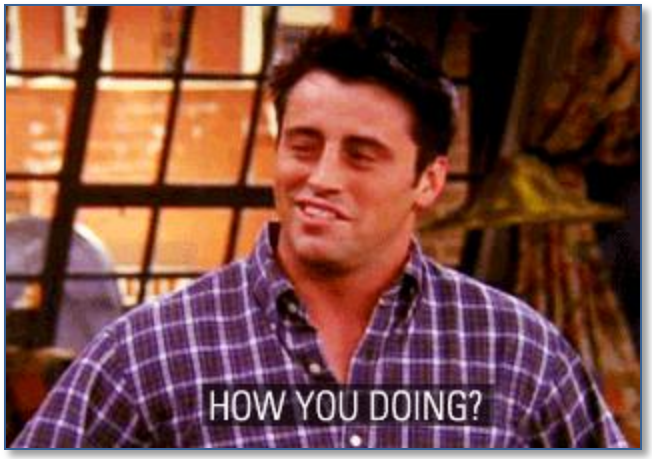

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Analyze Function via Mobile Substrate

- Allows you to hook Obj-C methods on any app
  - Uses similar approach as described earlier
- Requires jailbroken device
- I like to use Theos for quick and dirty hooking

Goal is to identify when passcode related methods are called

http://iphonedevwiki.net/index.php/Theos

Simple Theos Tweak to Identify When Calls Are Made

```
%hook GalaAppDelegate
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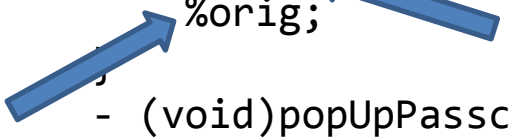


Logs method call to console

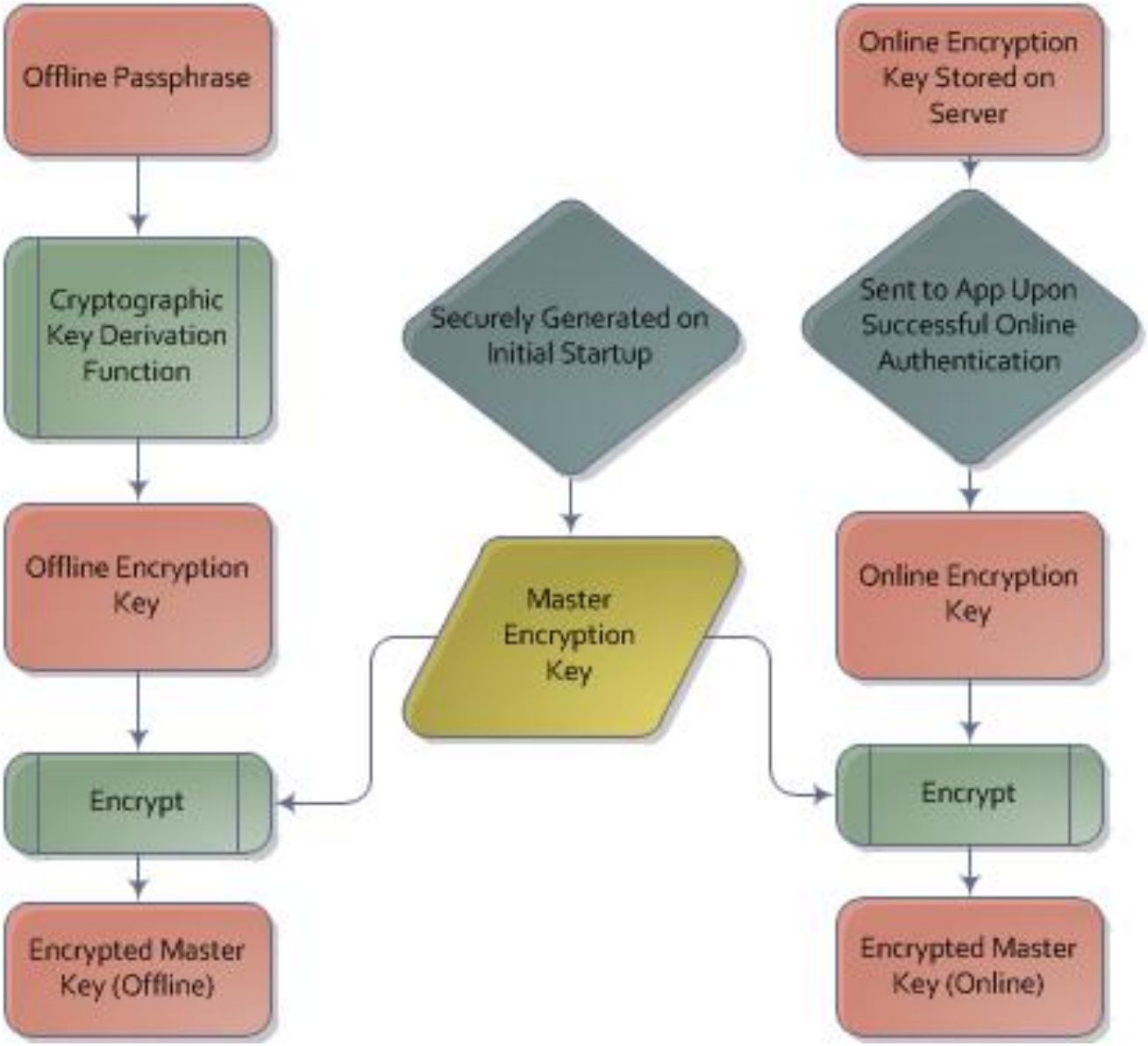
Calls original method

DEMO: USING CYCRIPT TO BYPASS PINCODE

Authentication Designs

- Things get trickier due to online and offline access
- Online only apps could store keys server-side
  - Key returned only after successfully authenticating
  - Must handle server-side key storage.. this may be a pain
- What about offline access?
  - App might need access to data with even with no network access

Authentication Design For Online and Offline Support



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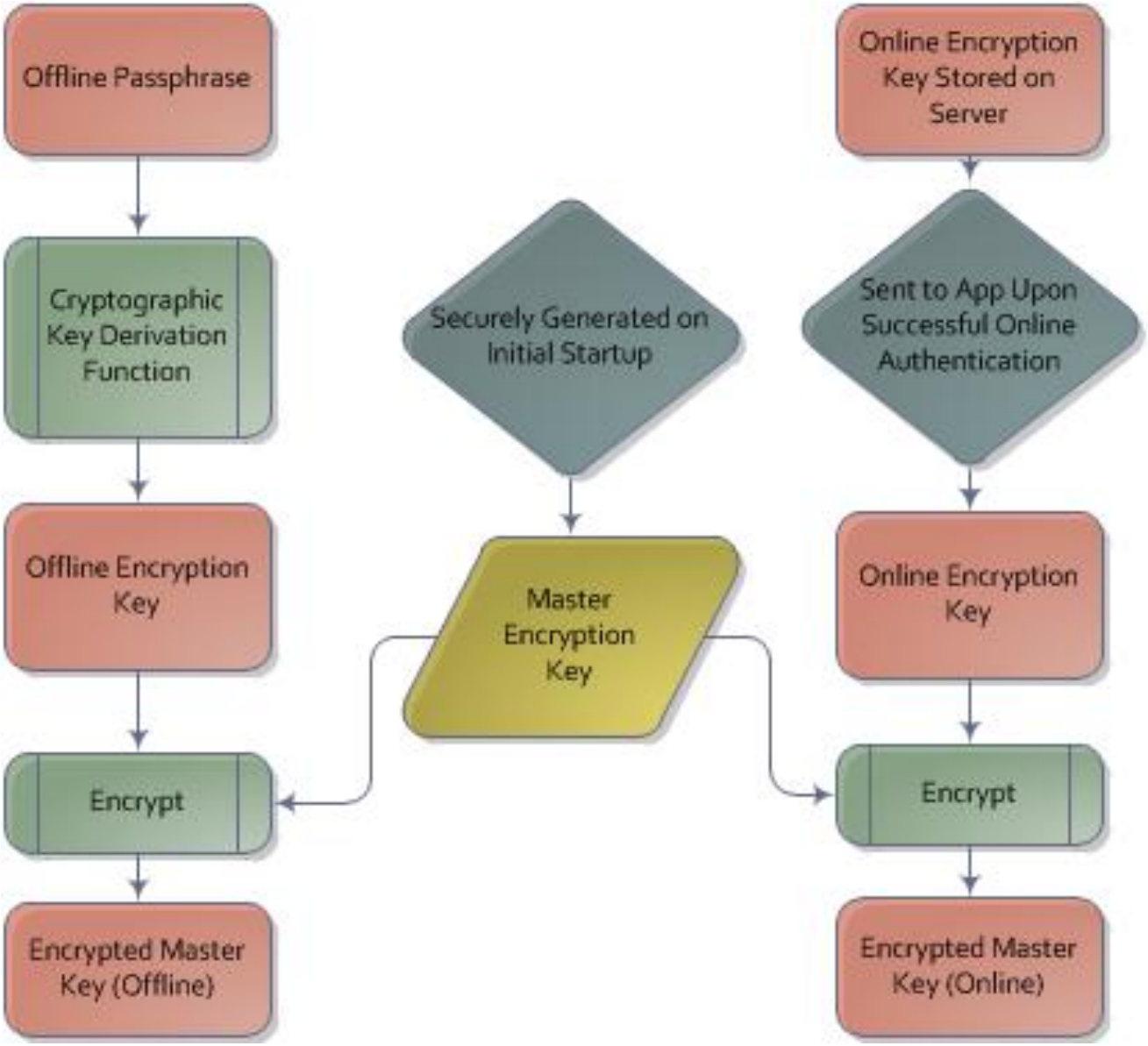

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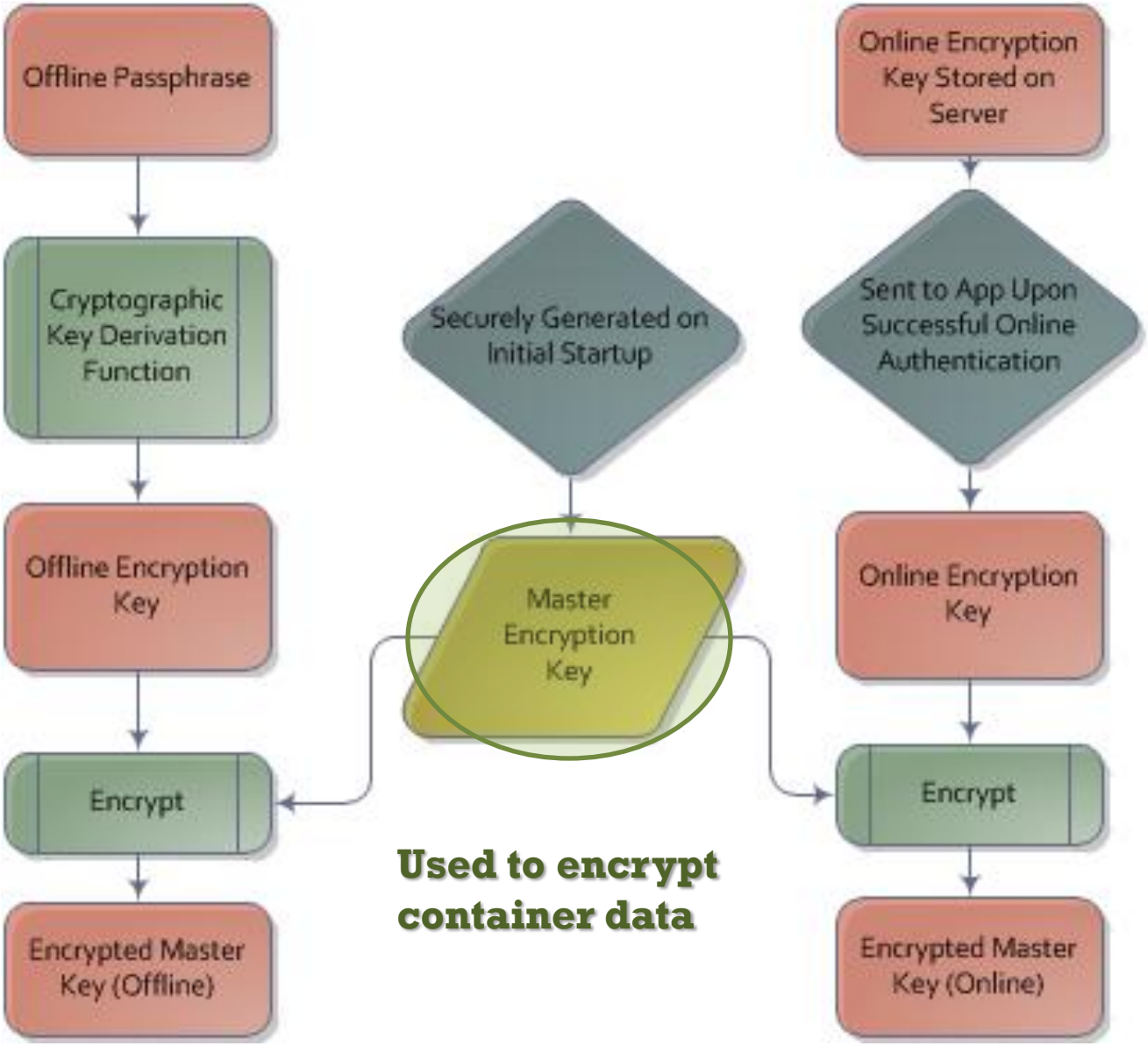

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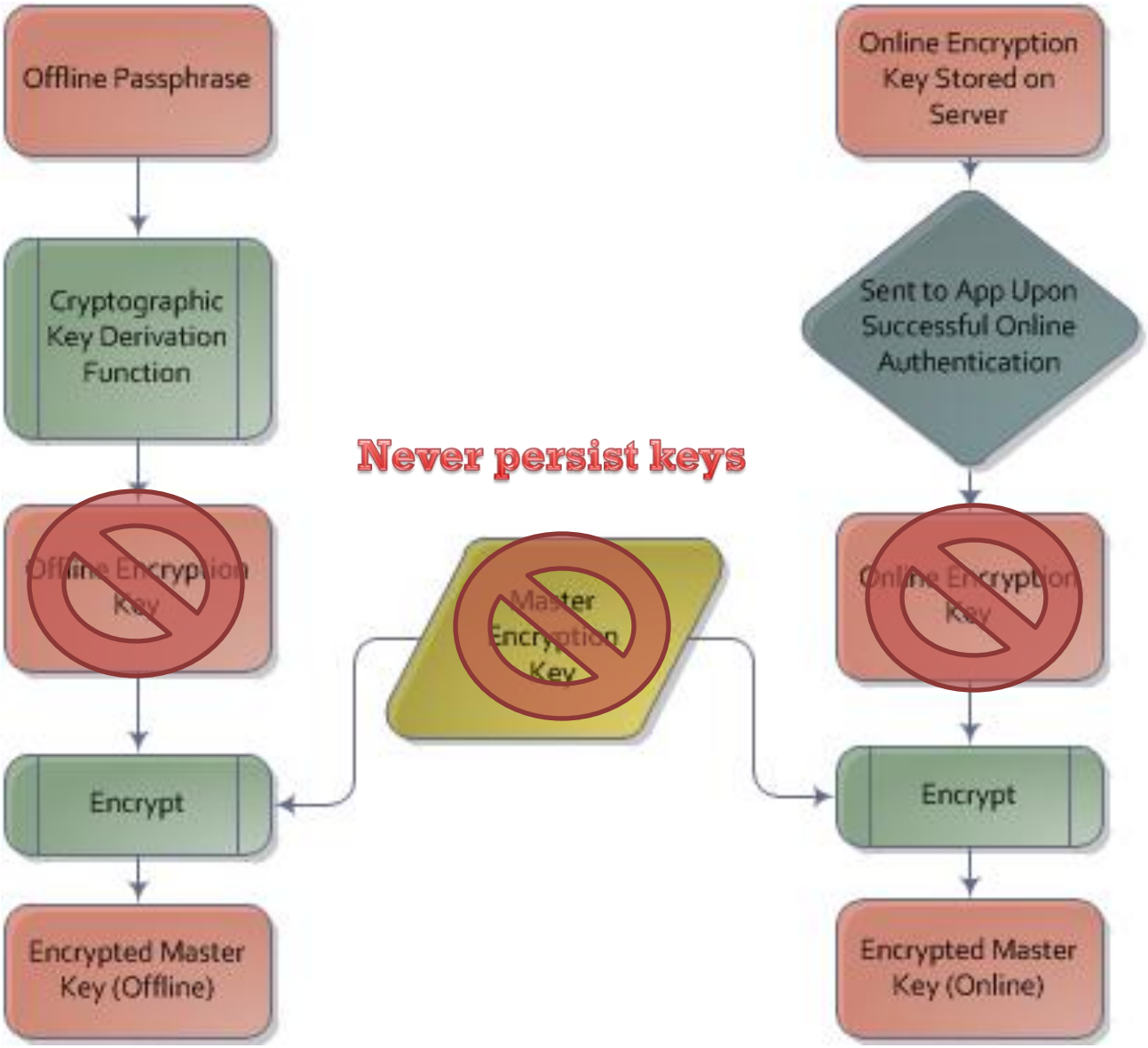

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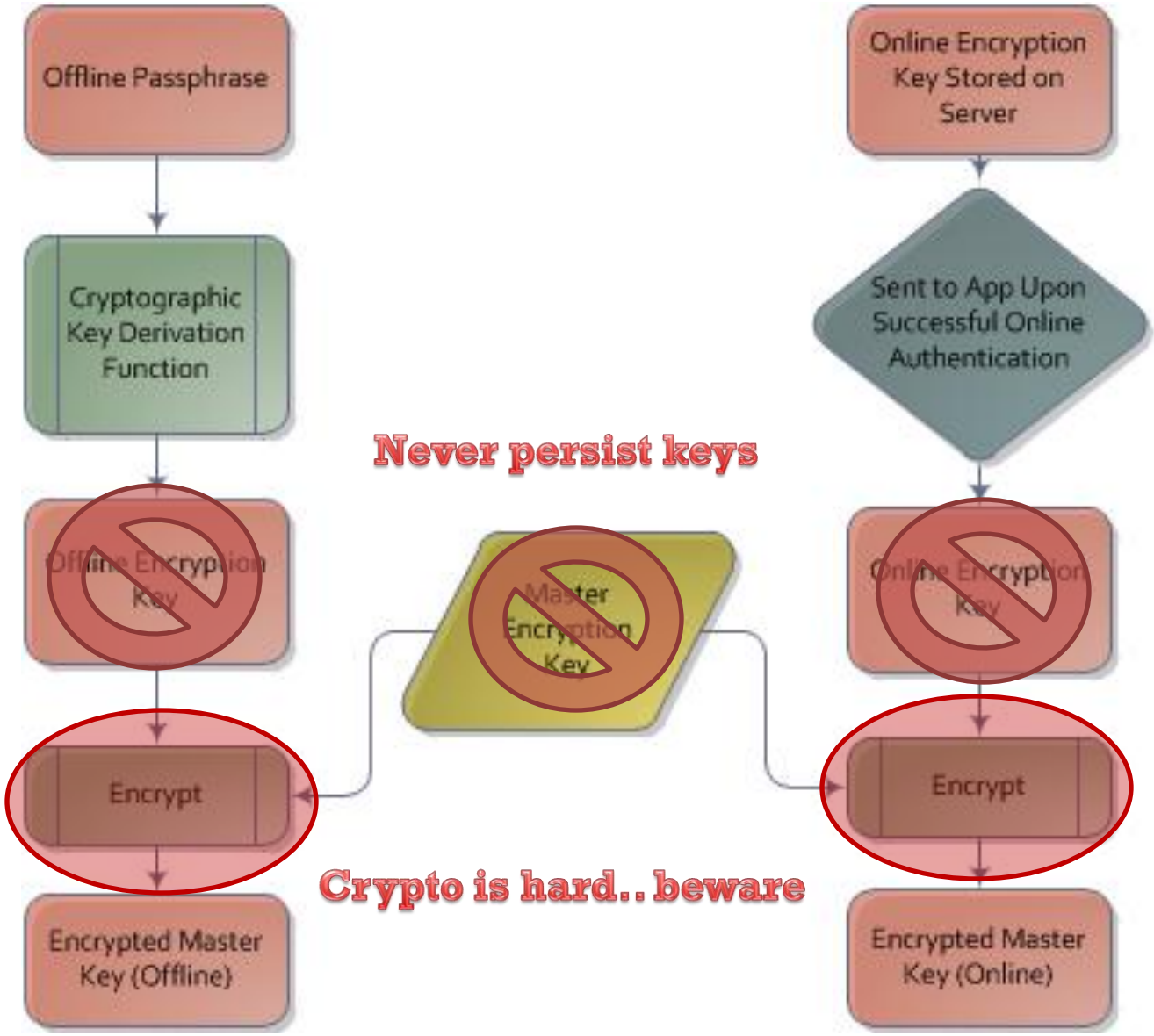

Offline Authentication

Common Issues

- Stored data not encrypted using passphrase derived key
  - Causes offline authentication to be susceptible to bypass
- Weak Key Derivation Function Used
  - PBKDF2 (minimum 4096 iterations) recommended
- Insufficient passphrase complexity enforcement

Weak Real World Example

Password & Data Vault

- Password vault authentication uses bcrypt
- Bcrypt is fairly resistant to offline brute force attacks

BUT…
HOW IS THE SYMMETRIC KEY GENERATED?

Weak Real World Examples

```
public Encryption(String paramString){
  byte[] arrayOfByte = new byte[16];
  arrayOfByte[0] = 0;
  [..snip..]
  arrayOfByte[15] = 0;
  [..snip..]

try {
    this.key = new SecretKeySpec(this.sha1HashBytes, "AES");
    this.ips = new IvParameterSpec(arrayOfByte);
[..snip..]
```

Single iteration SHA256 hash of passphrase

Decompiled Android Code From Application

Brute Force Time Comparisons

Time to brute force 1000 passwords

Algorithm	Time (s)
PBKDF2 (4096 iters)	317.647
SHA256	0.001
SHA256 + AES Decrypt	0.080

- Merkle-Damgard hash functions and AES are fast
- Susceptible to offline brute forcing

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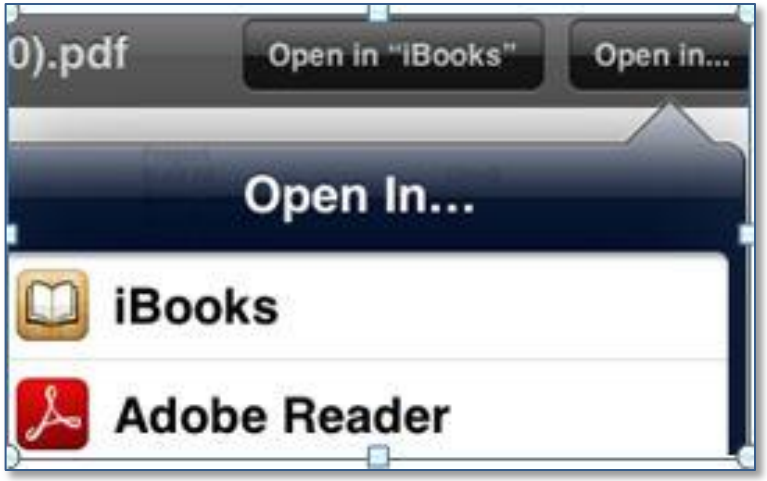
Completeness of Implementation

- The solution must not only consider the obvious APIs
- How about the subtle OS "features" that cache data?
  - NSHTTPCookieStorage on Persistent Cookies
  - NSURLRequest Caches
  - Document Interactions API
  - iOS Snapshots
  - Keyboard Caching
- How about Keychain Data?
- Are filenames also encrypted?

Good For Enterprise (GFE)

- iOS Document Interaction API used for handling documents
  - Save document into the GFE Container
  - Email document through corporate email within GFE
- Allows GFE to be used to open specific file types in iOS



Good For Enterprise (GFE)

- Open-in must bypass iOS Sandbox
- iOS System writes the file to GFE App Container
  - Documents/Inbox folder
- File is not protected by the GFE data encryption
- File persists unencrypted for an extended period

Client's Custom Secure Container

- Missed wrapping calls to NSHTTPCookieStorage
- Apps store persistent cookies in plaintext
  - Library/Cookies/Cookies.binarycookies
- The cookie store also not removed on data wipes

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Remote Wipes

- The traditional iOS MDM remote wipes cannot be used
- Remote wipes must be triggered at app level
- iOS limitations allow apps to only enforce wipe while active

Isn't iOS 7 Supposed To Have Some New Background Features?

Remote Wipes in iOS 7

- iOS 7 added Background Modes Capability
- Background fetch to poll for remote resets periodically
  - Requires wrapping to modify Info.plist file
  - Sounds promising, more research needed
- Remote Notifications
  - Not practical for application wrapping solutions
  - Requires:
    - APNS Service Setup
    - Application specific APNS certificates

Client-side Policy Enforcement

- All client-side restrictions can be bypassed
- Pick your poison
  - Intercept & modify policies as they are sent to the device
  - Modify policies while cached on the device
  - Runtime hooking of policy handling methods
- Performed checks server-side where possible
- Move critical pieces of code to low level code
  - Obj-C is easy to reverse.. make it harder for the bad guys

Jailbreak Detection

- Most of the exploits pointed out require a Jailbreak
- Preventing secure containers from running on Jailbroken device goes a long way
- If you can't bypass Xcon Cydia app, epic fail
- Detection should be low-level and difficult to reverse

http://appminder.nesolabs.de/

Jailbreak Detection Generator in ASM + AntiDebugging

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