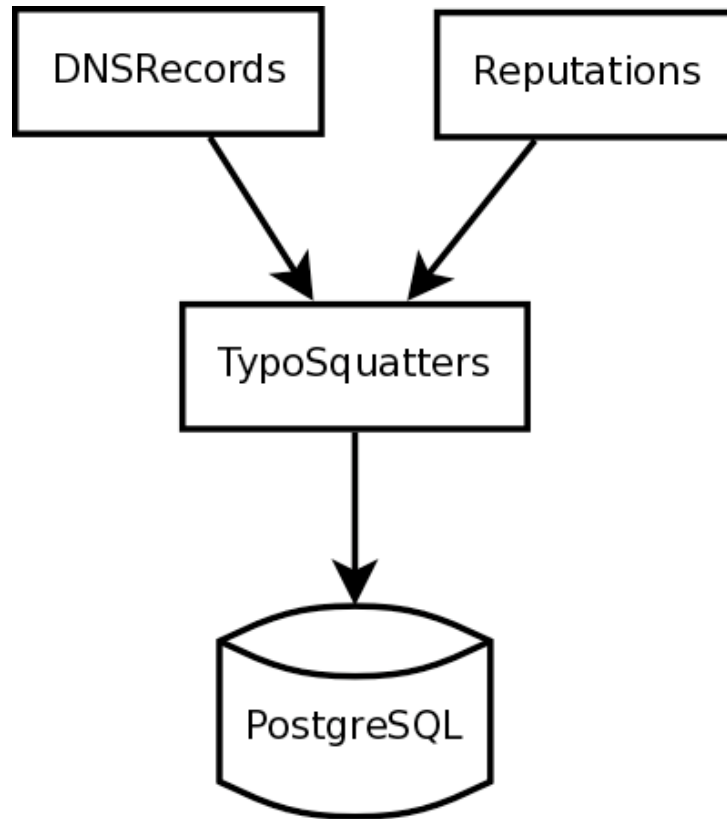


Typo Squatters:



The typo squatters module determines which domains that have been seen on the network are “typo squatters.” A typo squatter is defined as a domain with bad reputation that has a low edit distance to a domain that does not have bad reputation. This module uses Levenshtein’s algorithm for edit distance, but use of the Damerau–Levenshtein distance is under consideration.

Algorithm:

- Get set of domains with negative reputation from PostgreSQL
- For each domain A in the set of “bad” domains
 - For each domain B in the set of domains that were seen in DNS traffic
 - If $|\text{length}(A) - \text{length}(B)| < \text{threshold}$
 - Compute the Levenshtein distance ld between A and B
 - If $ld < \text{threshold}$ AND B doesn’t have bad reputation
 - A is a typo squatter