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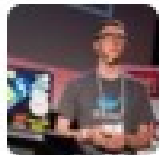
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@kelseyhightower actually I was able to explain #selinux basics2my 6 years old kid w/ coloring book (cc: @rhatdan)
[people.redhat.com/duffy/selinux/...](https://people.redhat.com/duffy/selinux/)

How does security look like?

WOW :)



Such security..

Very fortress!!1

And seriously...

Do you know this guy?



And seriously...

Do you know this guy?



So he has something to tell you...

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o5snlP8Y5GY>

Linux OS security

DAC (Discretionary access control)

basic ACLs

chmod

Linux OS security – extended ACLs

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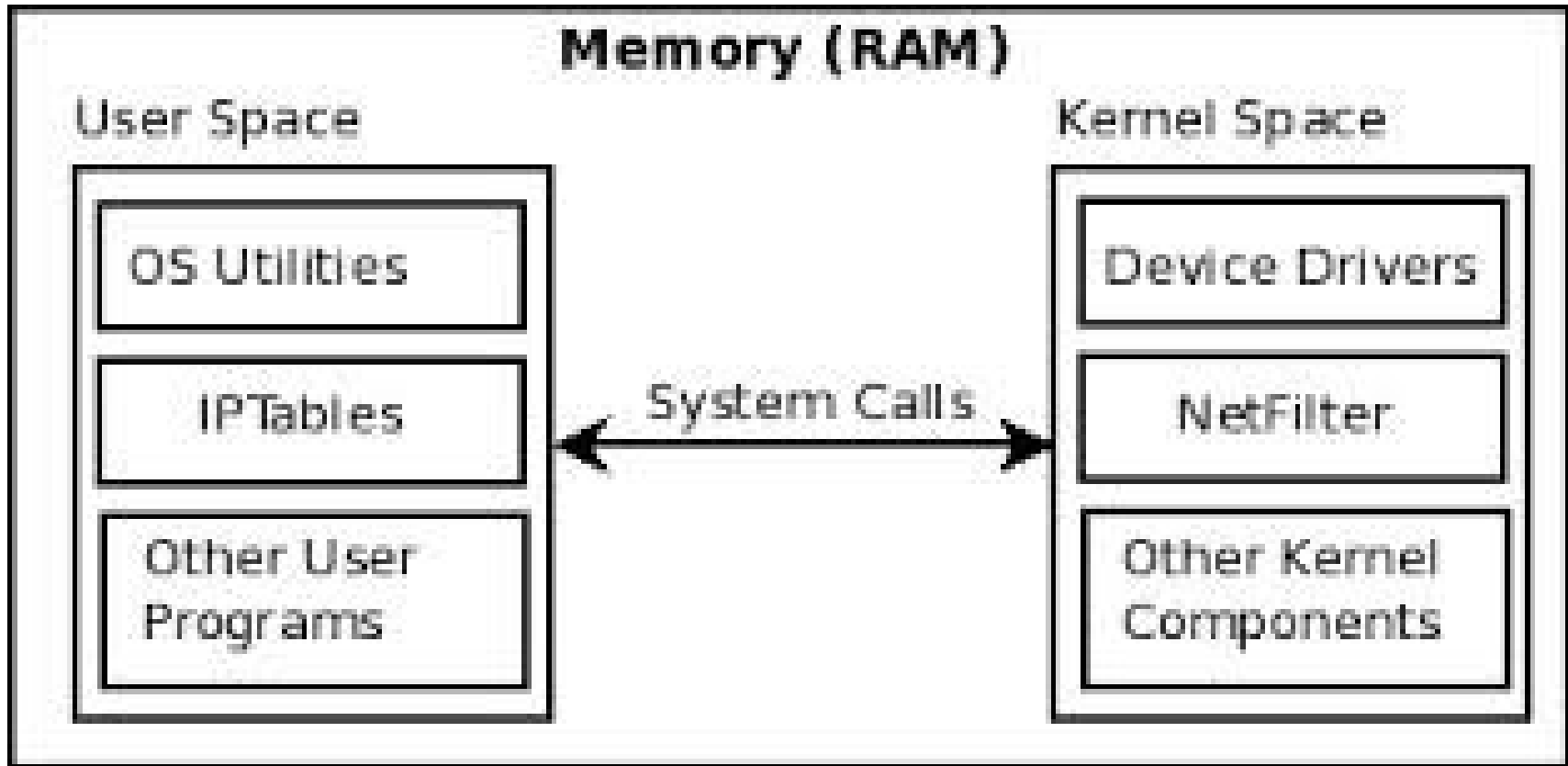
setfacl / getfacl

Linux OS security – Linux Security Modules

MAC (Mandatory Access Control)

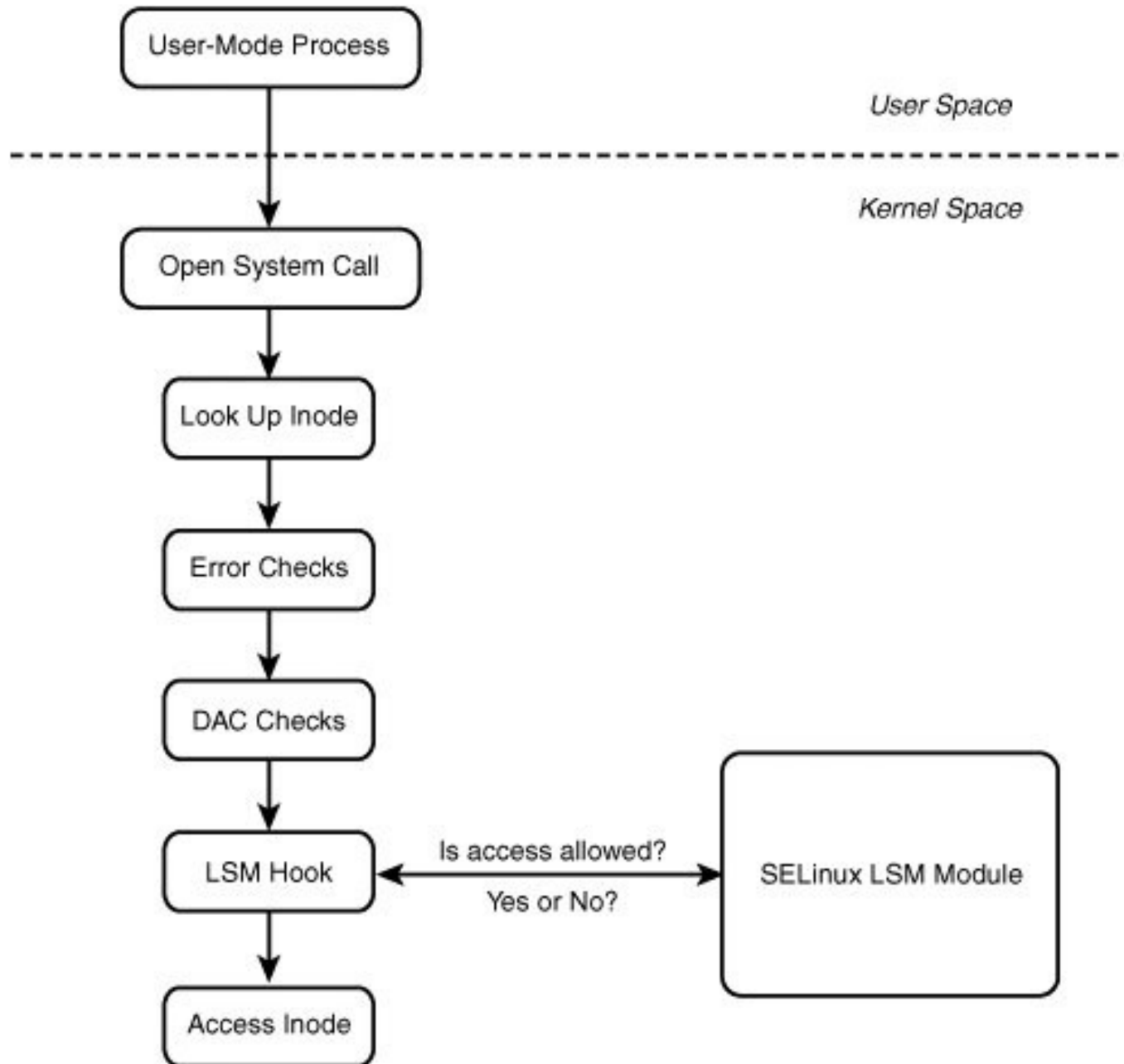
(LSMs)

SELinux – how it works?

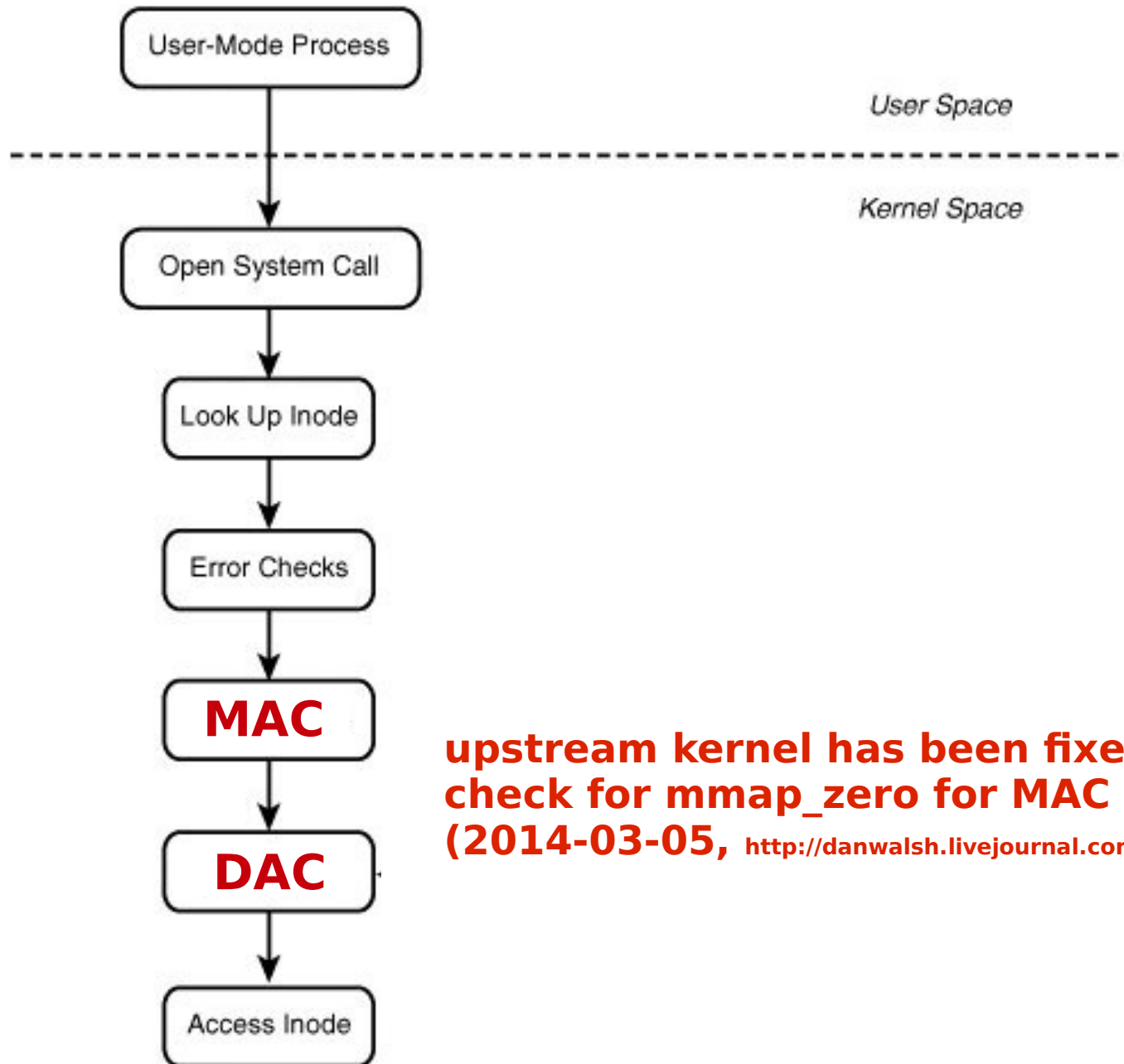


syscalls work like interfaces for accessing some resources

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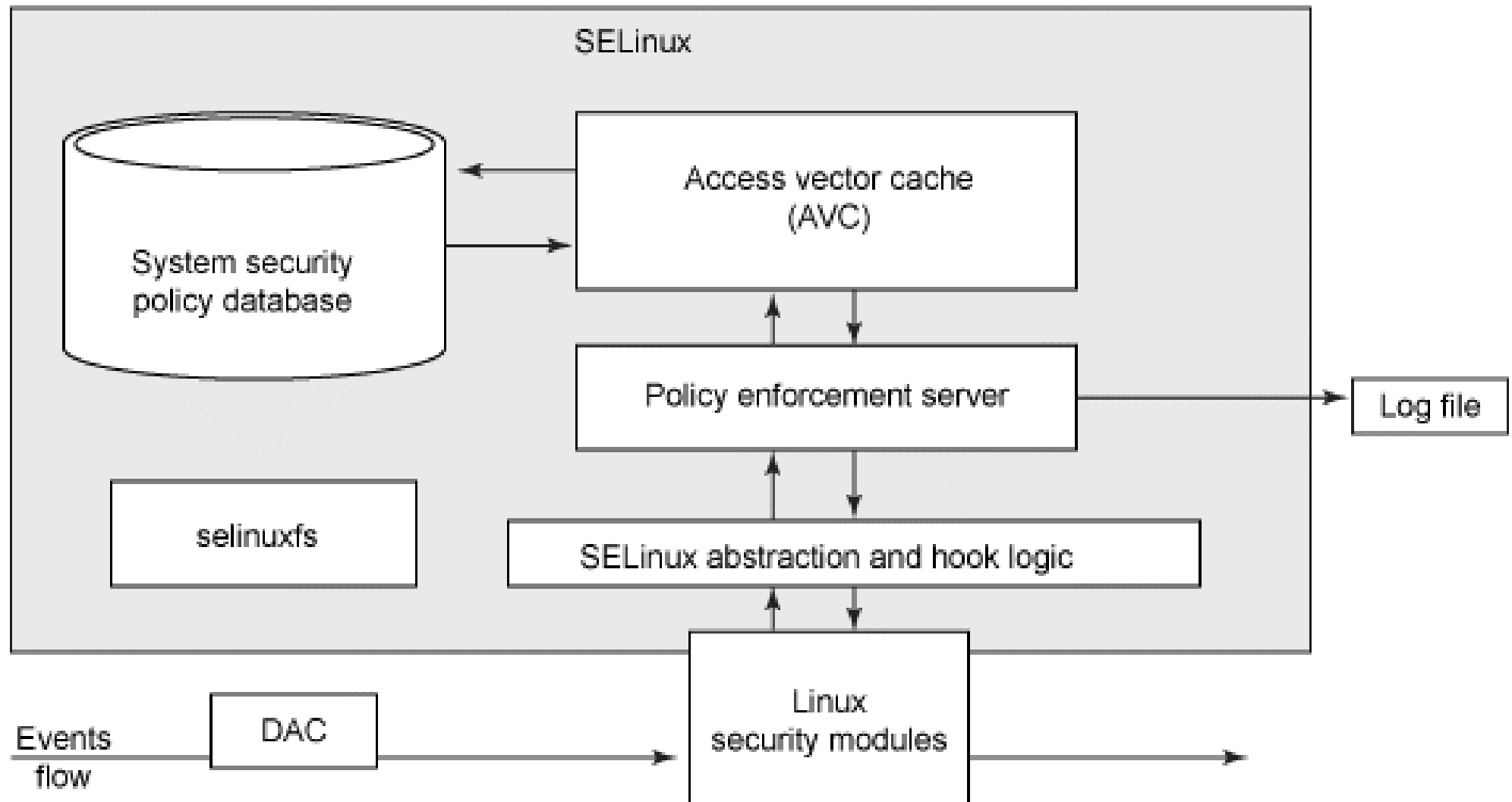


SELinux – how it works?



**upstream kernel has been fixed to report
check for mmap_zero for MAC AFTER DAC
(2014-03-05, <http://danwalsh.livejournal.com/69035.html>)**

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SELinux – performance

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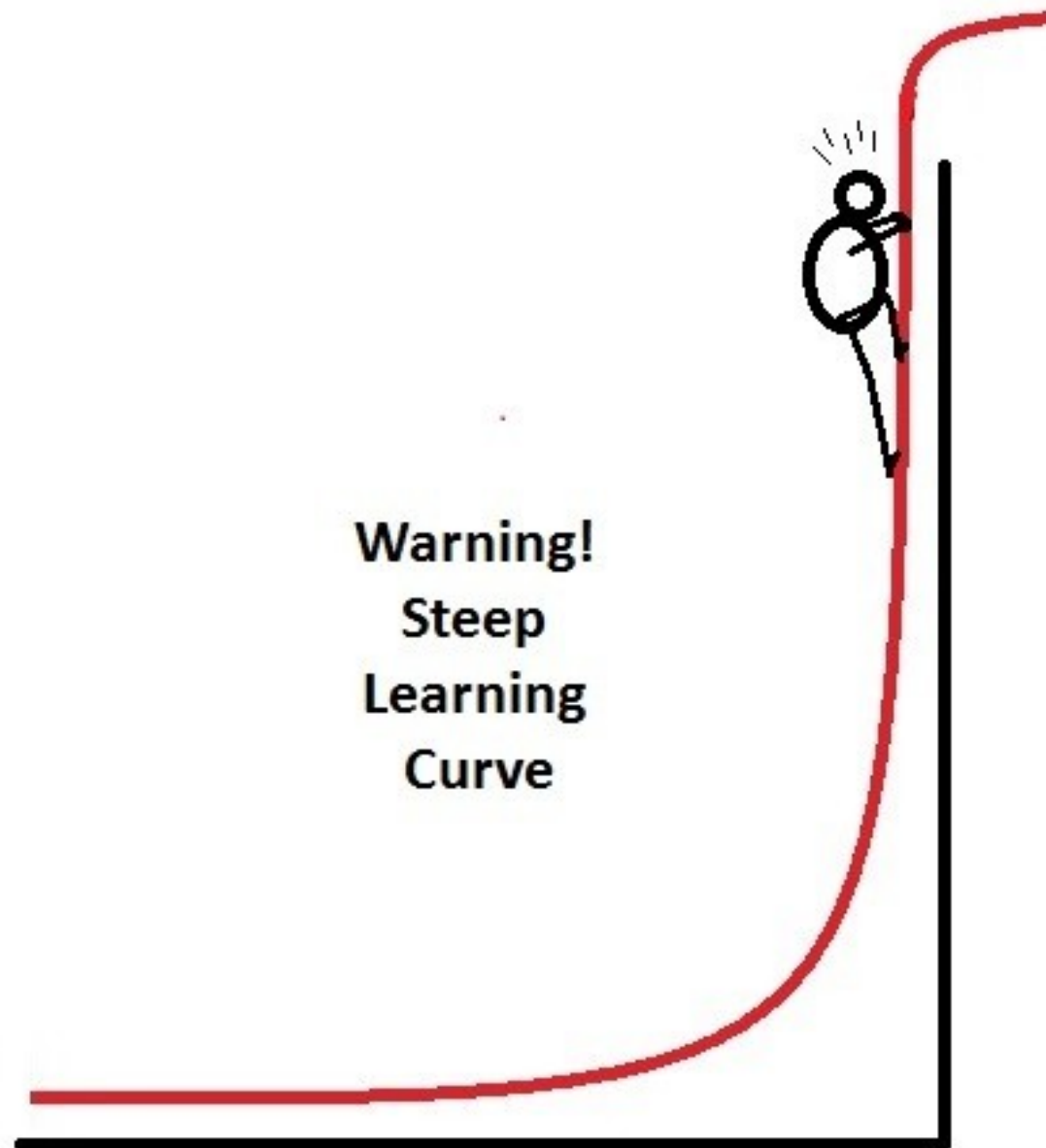
avcstat

uptime: 10h

hit ratio: 99.94%!
(57mln of lookups)

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SELinux – learning curve



SELinux and...

SELinux and Android



- from 4.3 – permissive
- from 4.4 enforcing
- Will help us with BYOD :)
- No setuid/setgid programs (4.3)

<http://selinuxproject.org/page/SEAndroid>

<http://source.android.com/devices/tech/security/se-linux.html>

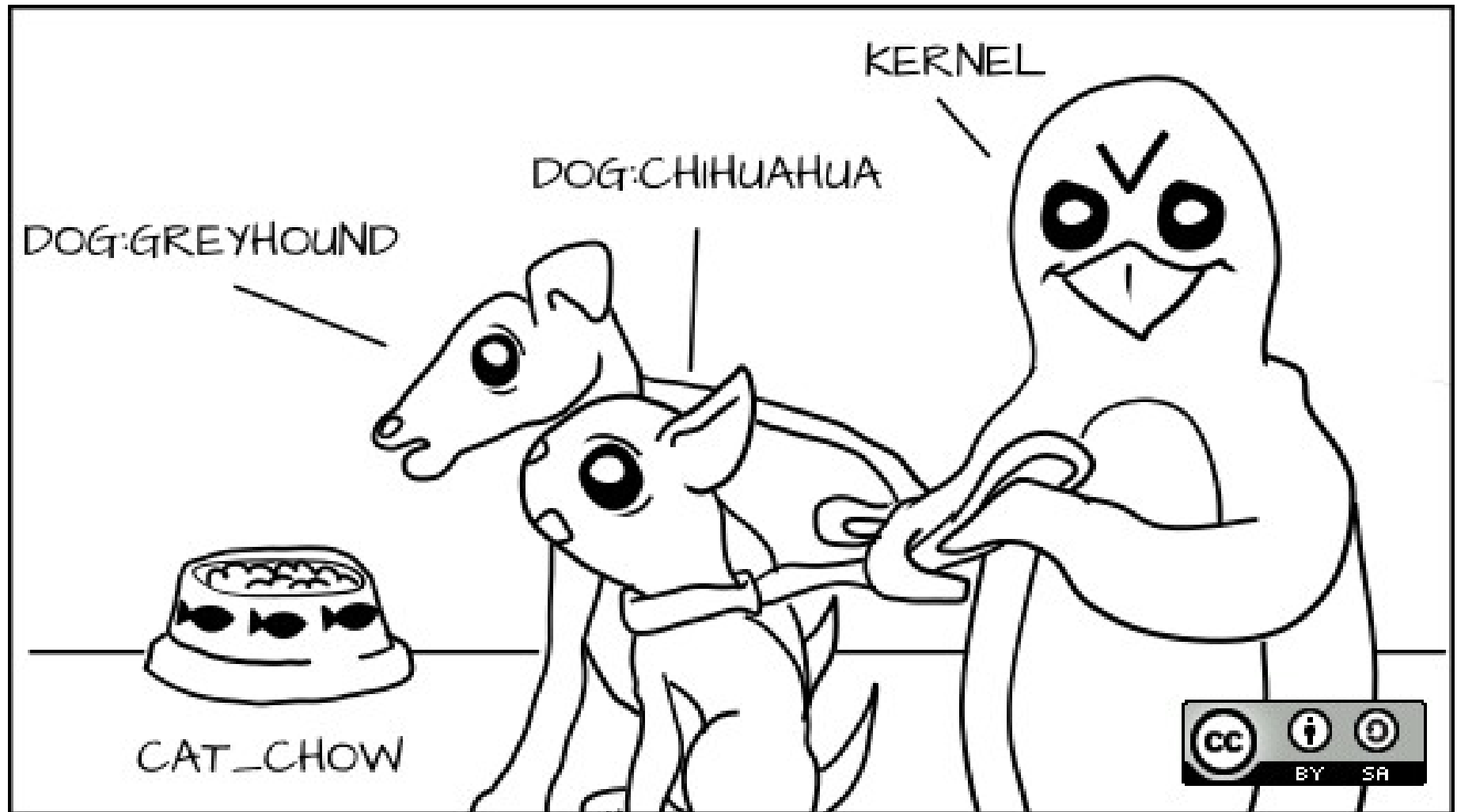
SELinux primer

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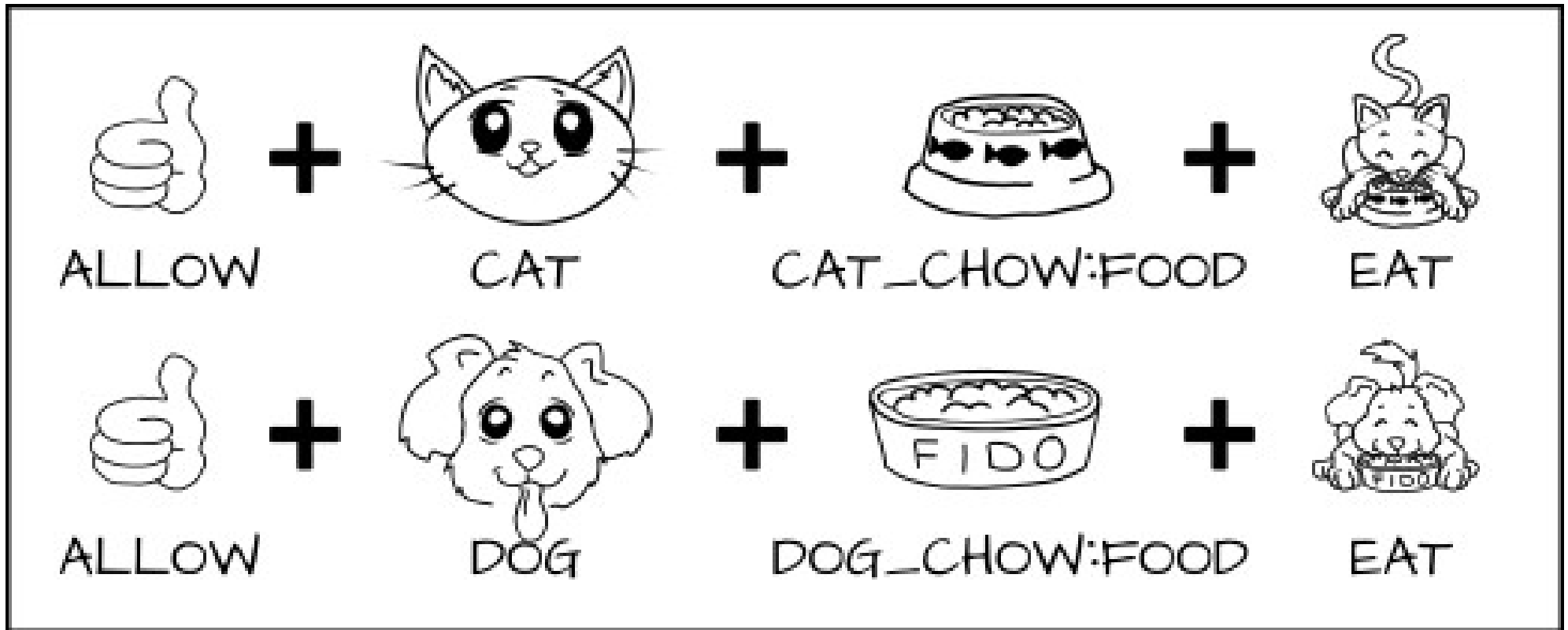
<http://opensource.com/business/13/11/selinux-policy-guide>

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Everyone gets a label!

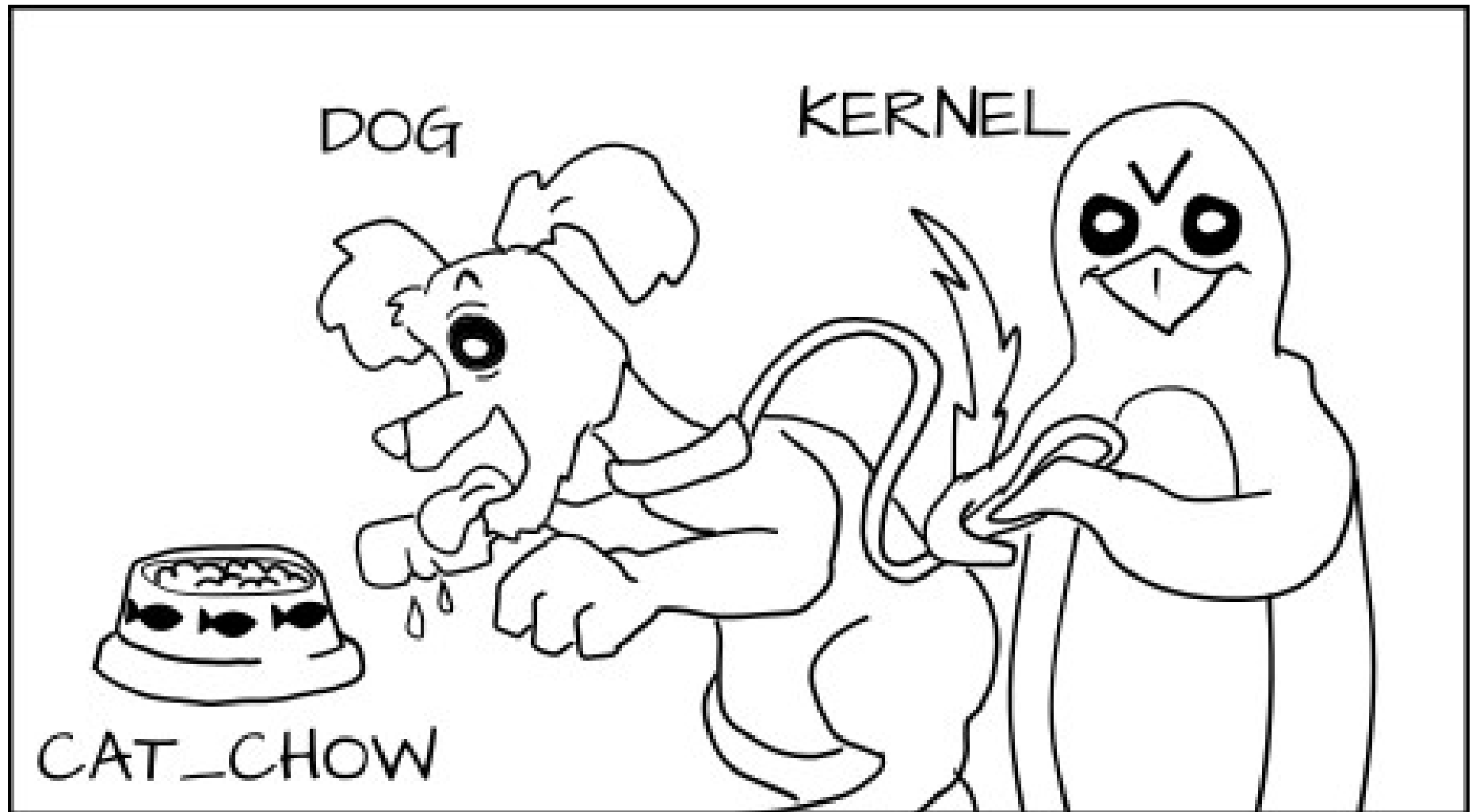
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allow cat cat_chow:food eat;
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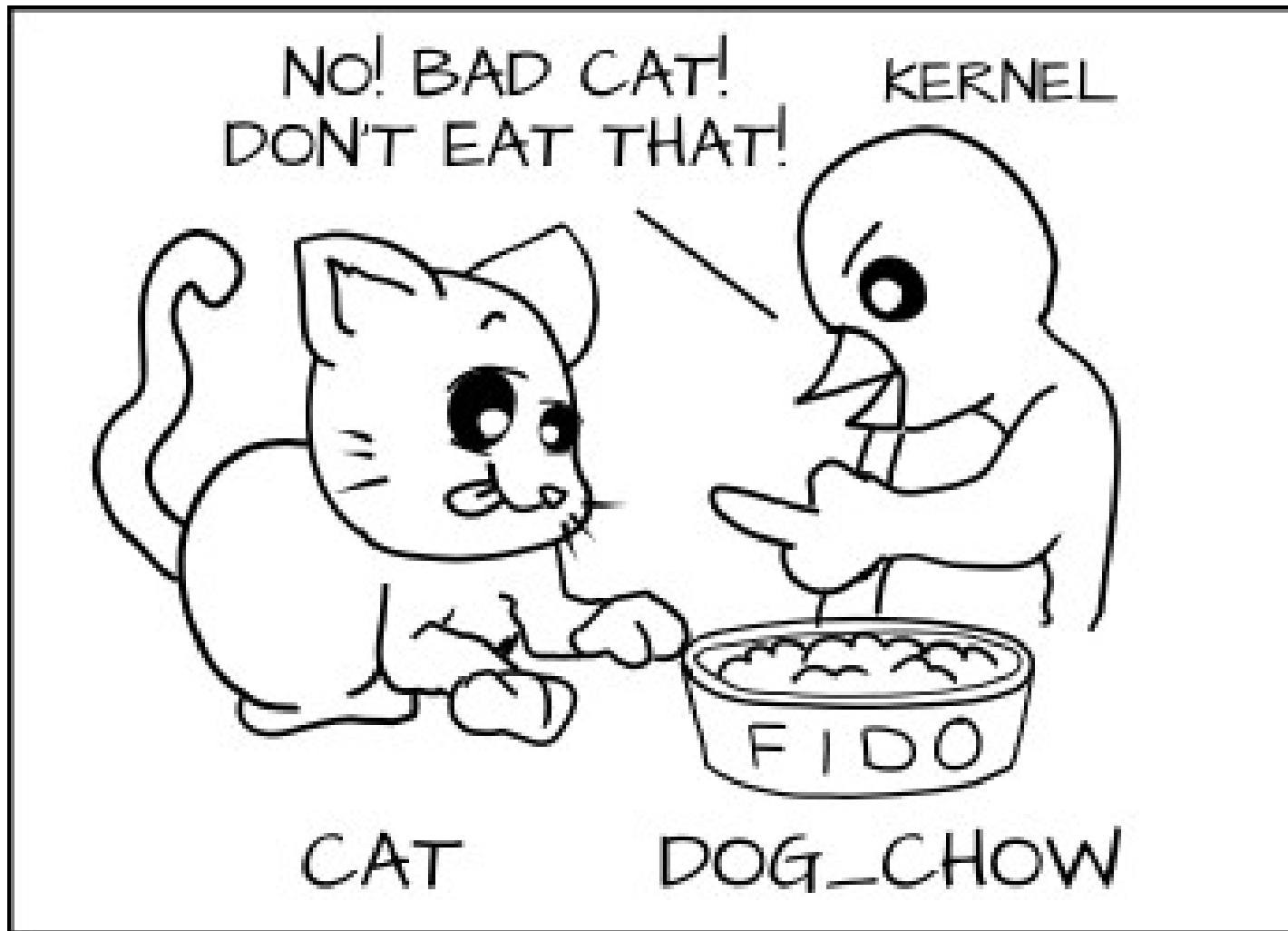
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AVC (Access Vector Cache)

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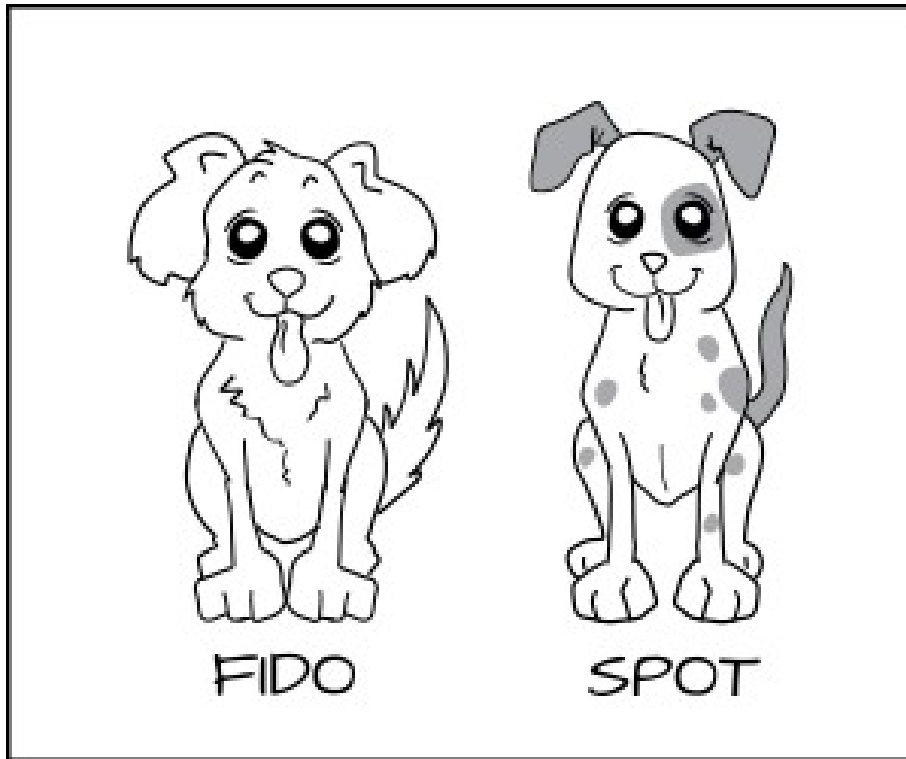
process: httpd_t

files under Apache: httpd_sys_content_t

database data: mysqld_data_t

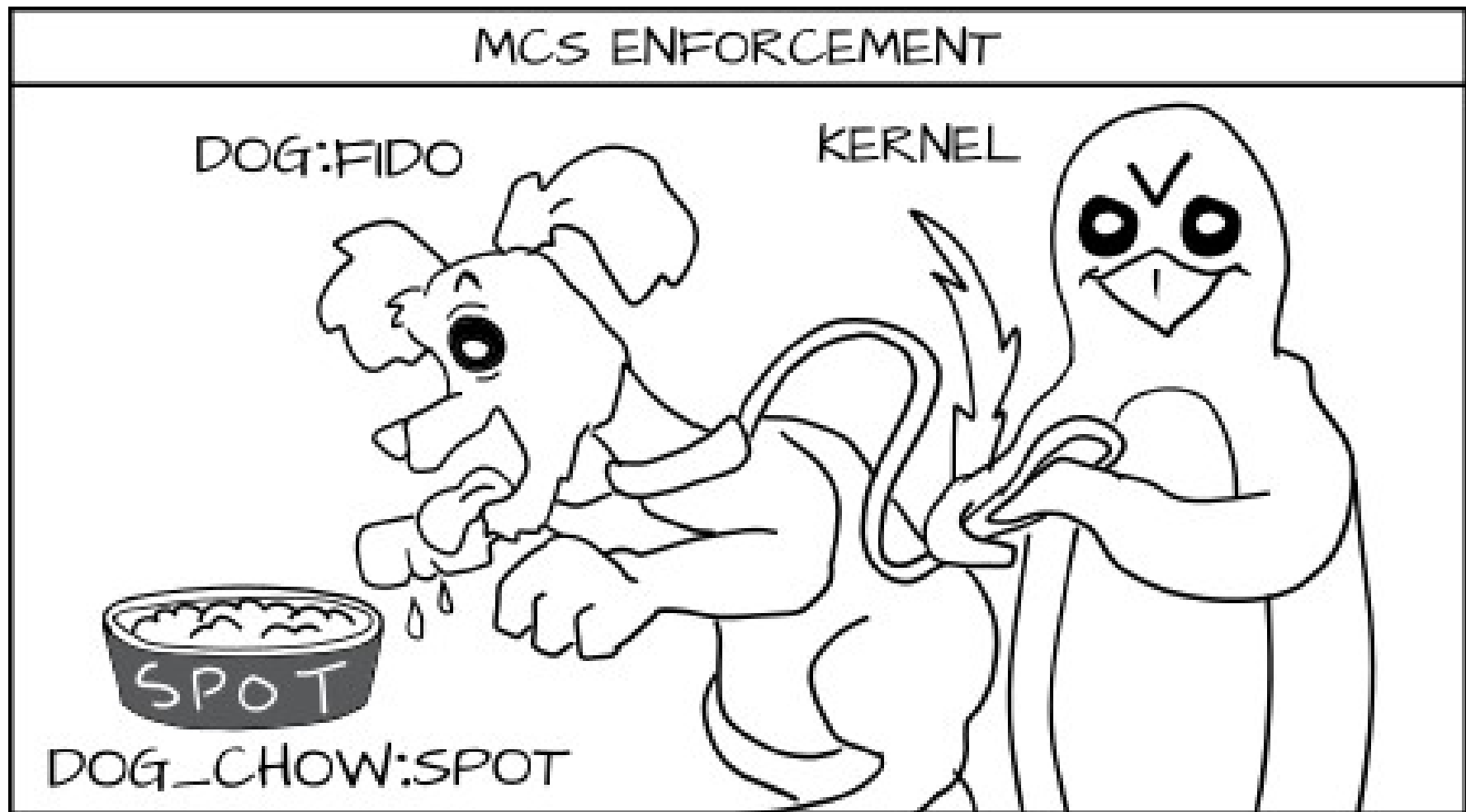
hacked Apache process can not access mysqld files!

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Can same type of process be confined differently?

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Yes! With MCS enforcement!

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In real world...

2 processes: httpd_t

files under httpd: httpd_sys_content_t

So how to deny files from differ instances of httpd_t?

With MCS labels like s0:c1,c2 ; s0:c3,c4 etc

s0, s1, s2 – sensitivity levels

c1,c2,c3... - categories (up to 255)

So remember..

Every time you run setenforce 0, you make Dan Walsh
weep

Dan is a nice guy and he certainly doesn't deserve that.

So what about other LSMs?

Feature	SELinux	AppArmor	grsecurity
Automated	No (audit2allow and system-config-selinux)	Yes (Yast wizard)	Yes (auto training / gradm)
Powerful policy setup	Yes (very complex)	Yes	Yes
Default and recommended integration	CentOS / RedHat / Debian	Suse / OpenSuse	Any Linux distribution
Training and vendor support	Yes (Redhat)	Yes (Novell)	No (community forum and lists)
Recommend for	Advanced user	New / advanced user	New users
Feature	Pathname based system does not require labelling or relabelling filesystem	Attaches labels to all files, processes and objects	ACLs

<http://www.cyberciti.biz/tips/selinux-vs-apparmor-vs-grsecurity.html>

So what about other LSMs?

- AppArmor identifies file system objects by path name instead of inode
- There is no notion of multi-level security with AppArmor
- AppArmor uses rather flat files based configuration
- SELinux supports the concept of a "remote policy server"
- There is no apparmor or grsec in android :)

Docker + SELinux

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Permissive domains! `semanage permissive -a docker_t`

It's only in targeted policy (not for MCS)



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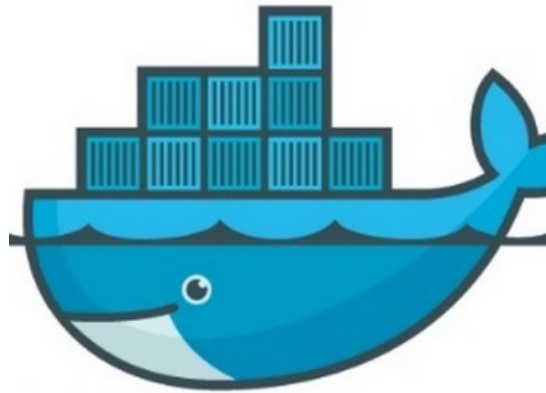
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Thank you :)



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