

Method of Detecting Vulnerability in Web Apps

Using Machine Learning

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Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Objectives of research
3. Overview of SAIVS
4. Realized methods
5. Validation results
6. Demonstration
7. Future Prospects

In Japan, there is

a **significant lack** of security engineers.

About **240,000** people short.

(according to a survey by IPA)

Are we facing **the limit** of
human-only resources?

Objectives of research

Fully automated information security.

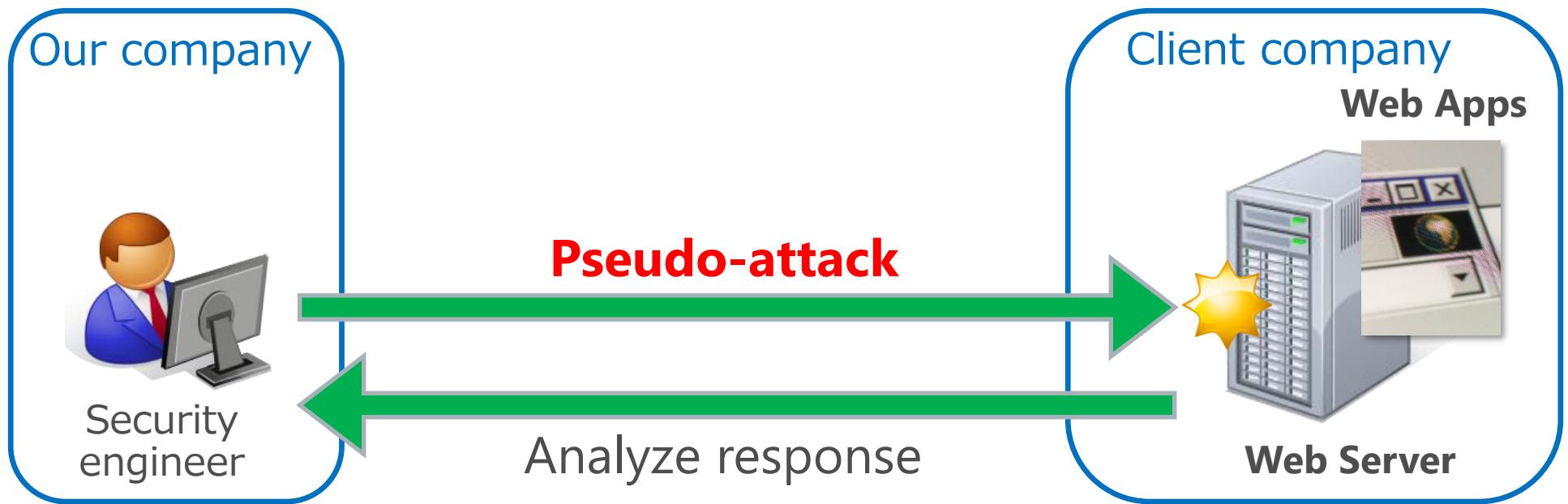
The first step is

Web application vulnerability assessment.

What is web app vul assessment ?

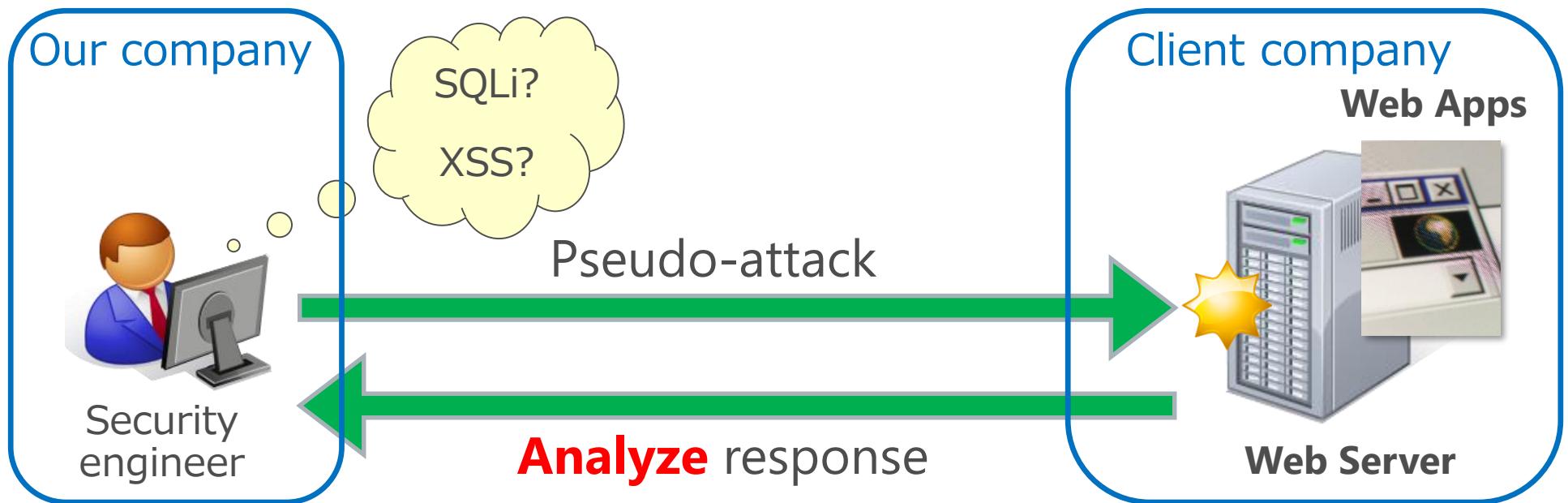
Detect vulnerabilities on web apps.

What is web app vul assessment ?



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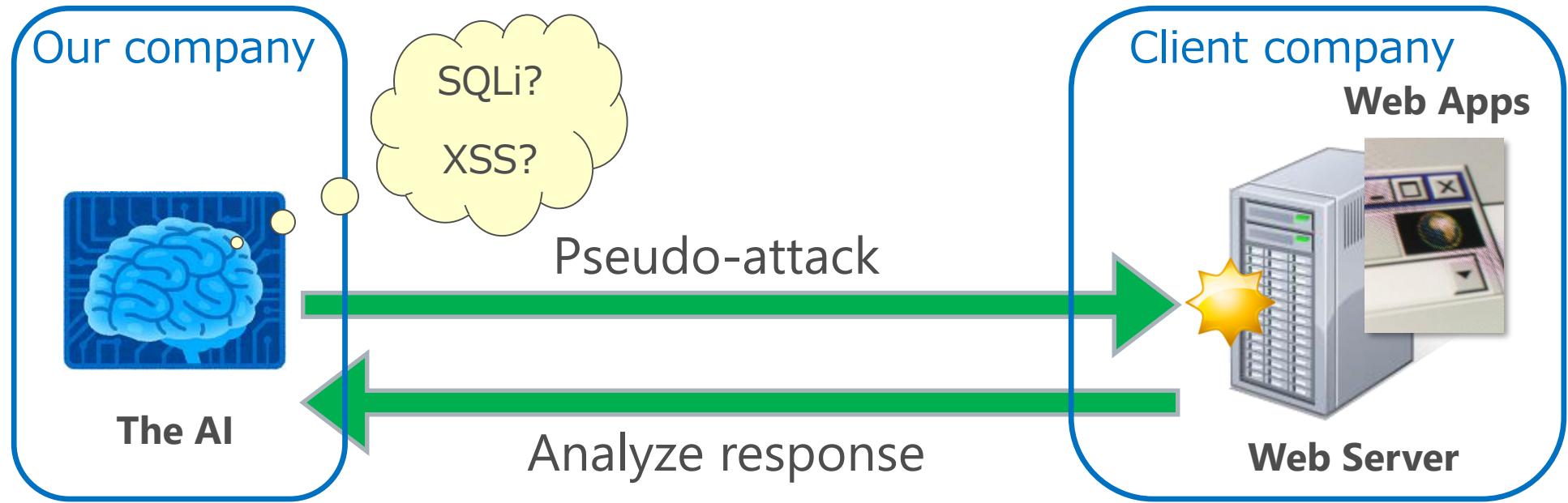
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Depends on the skilled craftsmanship
of security engineers.

Our “GOAL”



Realize **ALL MACHINE** web app vulnerability assessment.

SAIVS

Spider Artificial Intelligence Vulnerability Scanner

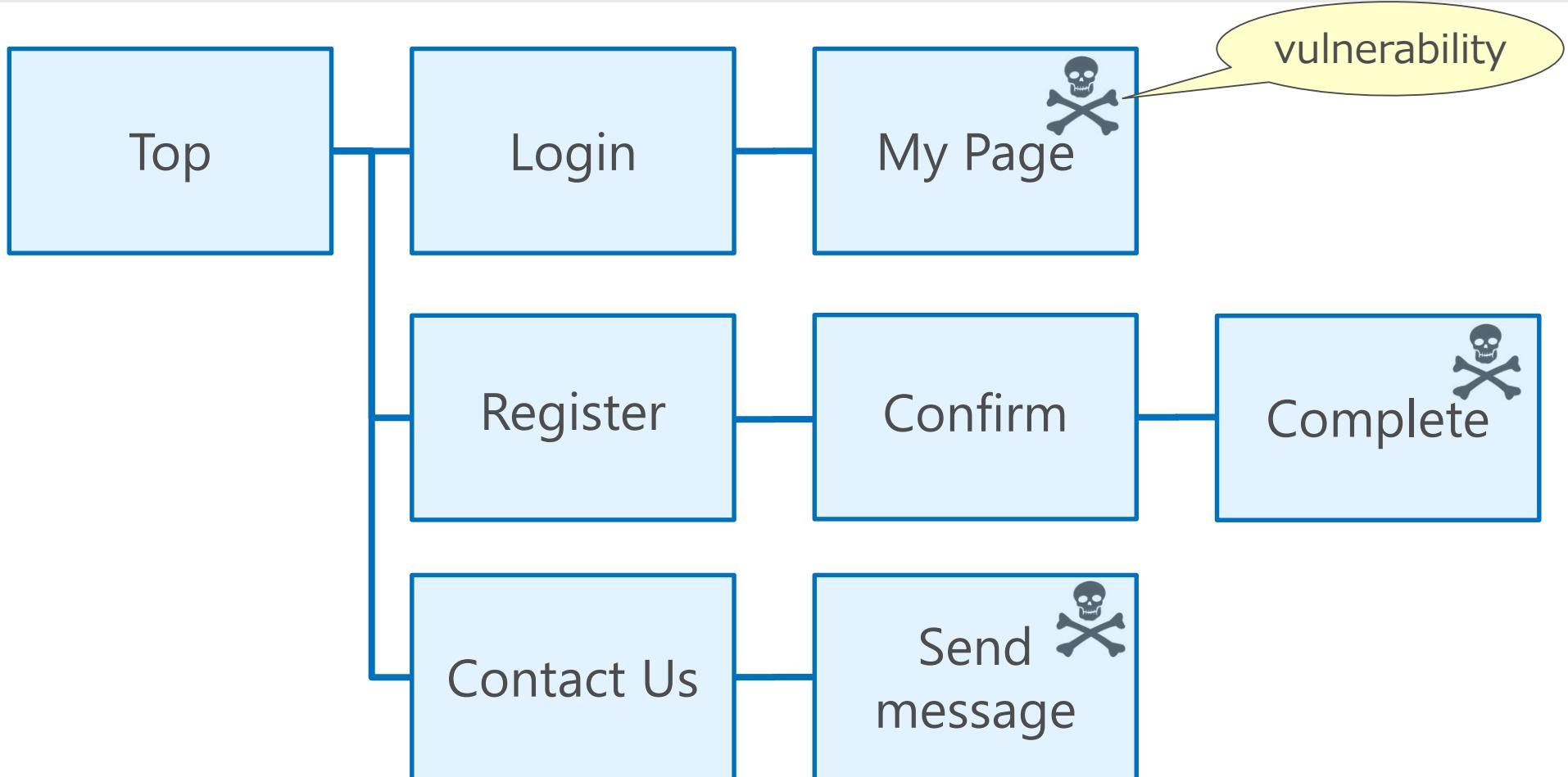
AI that performs web app vul assessment.

Abilities of SAIVS

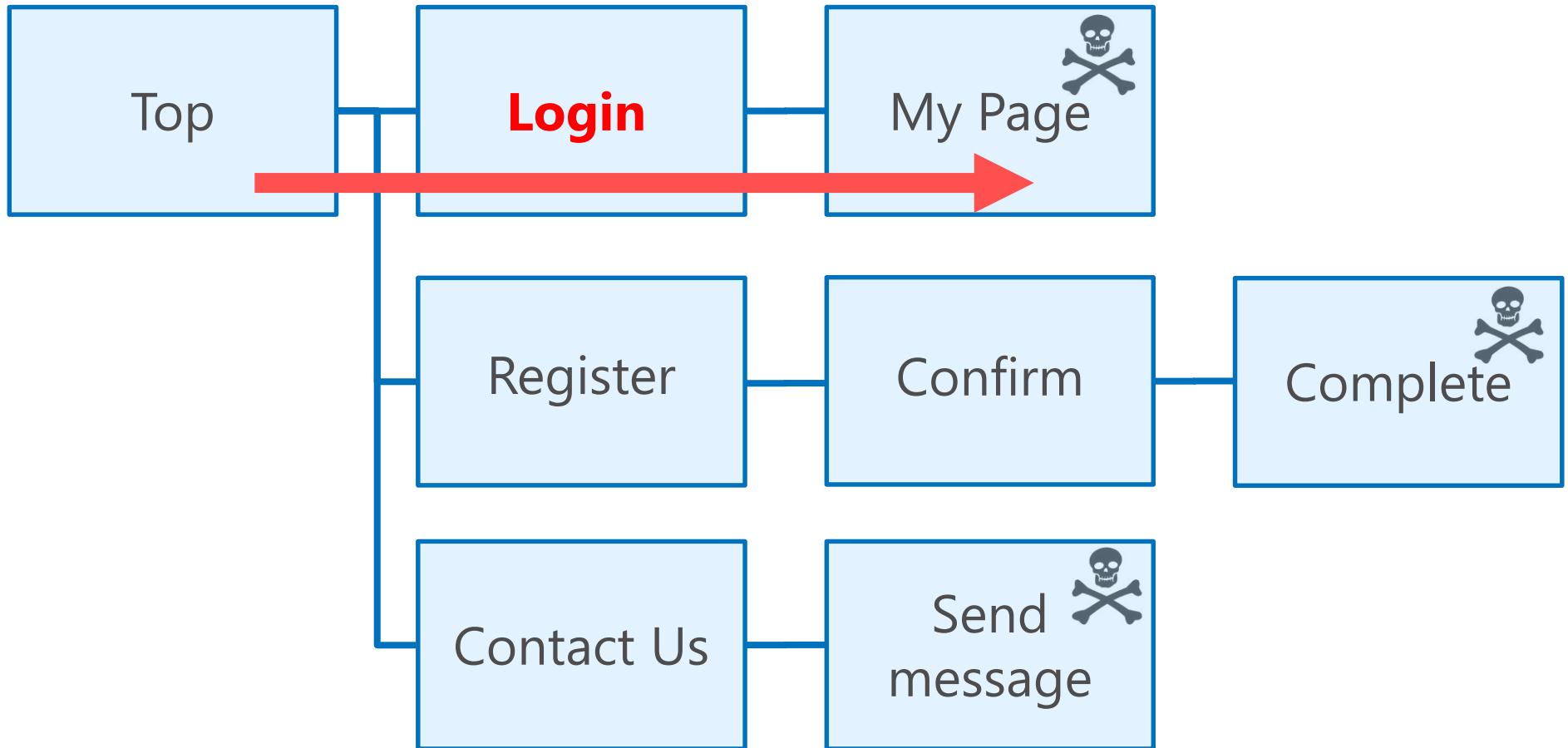
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- Detects vulnerabilities

- **Crawls web apps**
- Detects vulnerabilities

Importance of crawling



Importance of crawling



It is necessary to **log in** correctly.

Importance of crawling.



It is necessary to **register** correctly.

Importance of crawling



It is important to **exhaustively crawl pages.**

Crawling web apps is **difficult**.

Why ?

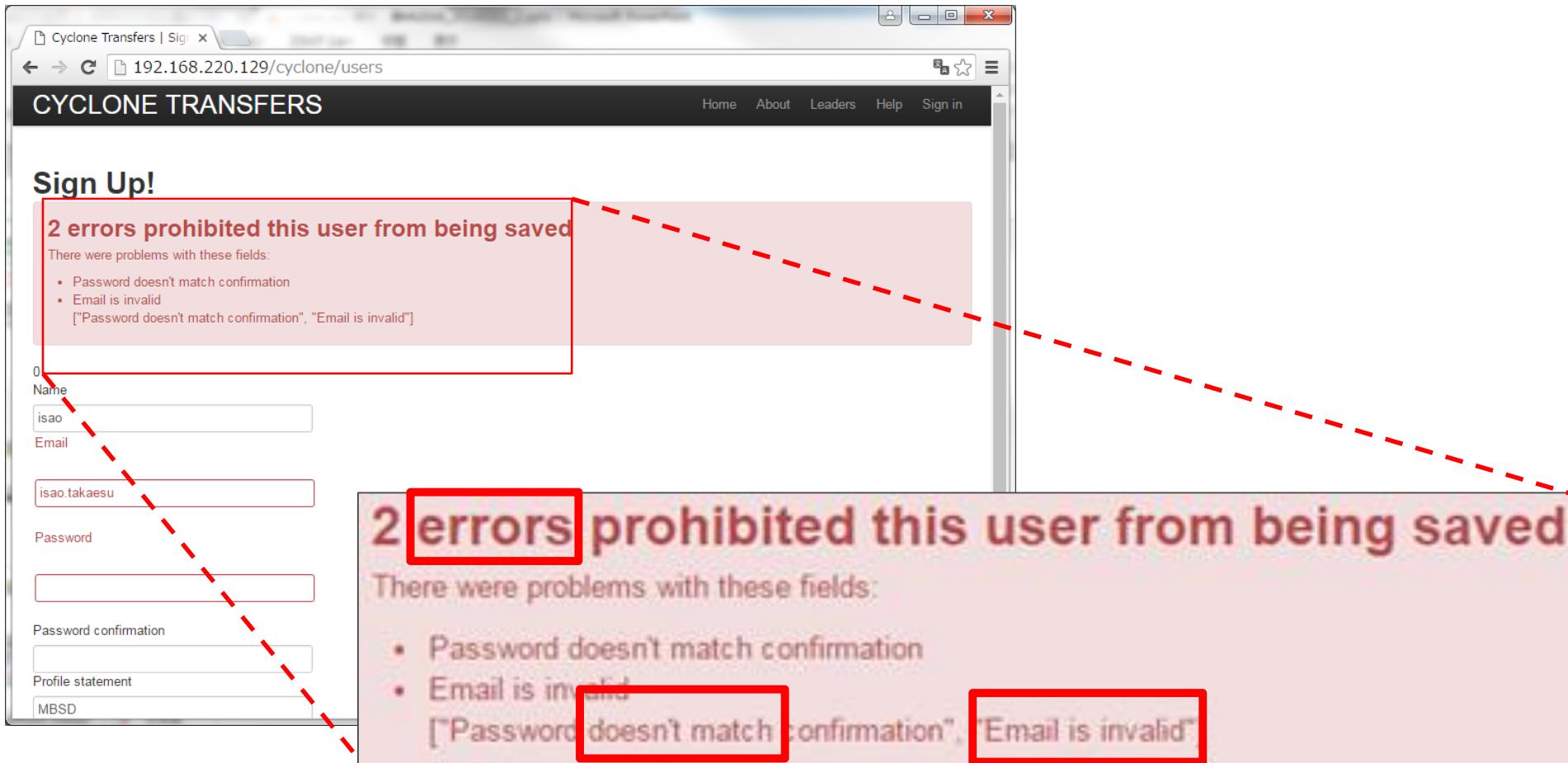
What is the type of this page ?

The diagram illustrates the difference in how humans and machines perceive web pages. The browser screenshot on the left shows a complex, visually rich interface with various UI elements like buttons and links. The wireframe on the right abstracts away most of the visual details, focusing on the structural elements that are crucial for machine processing. The red highlights on both sides map directly to each other, showing that the underlying structure is identical despite the different visual representations.

Humans : Easily **recognize the page type.**

Machine : Difficult. (Log in? Register?)

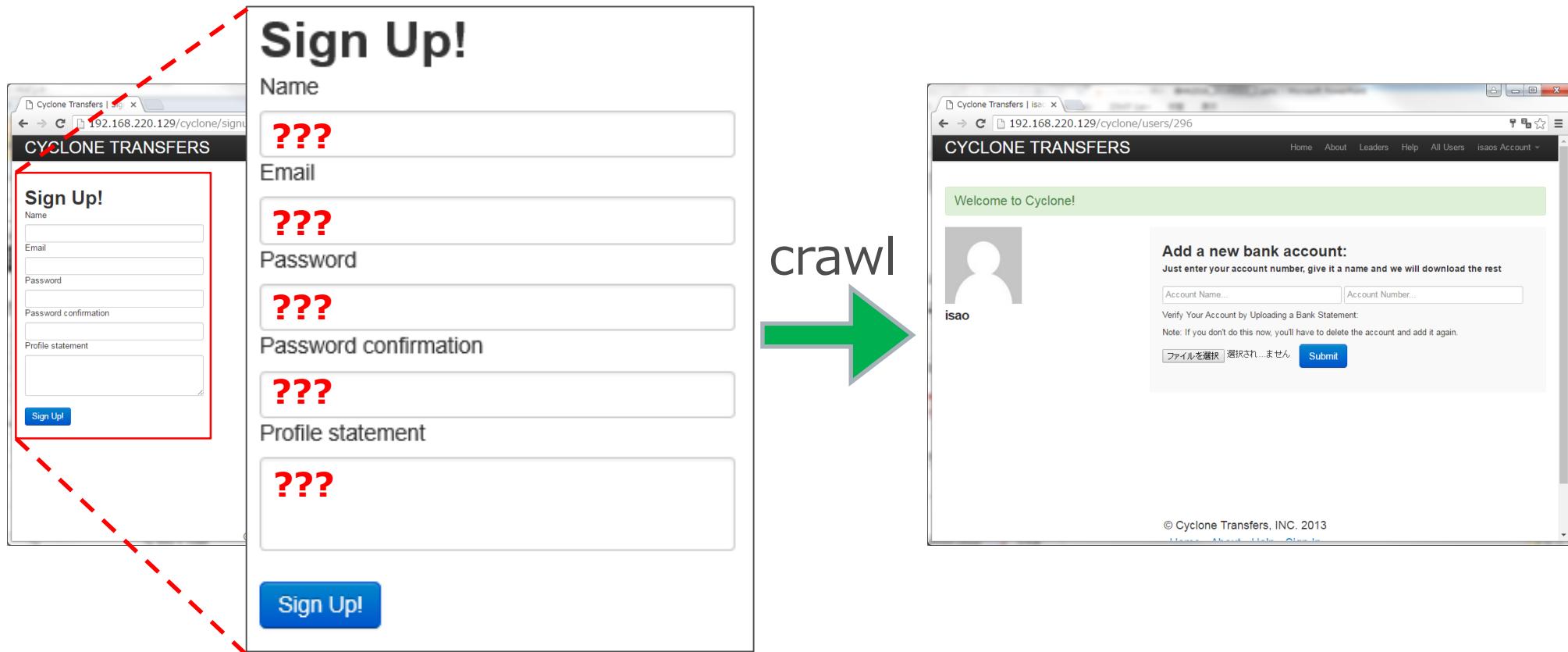
What has just happened?



Humans : **Recognize failed crawling** attempts from the message.

Machine : Difficult to interpret the message.

What are your input values to crawl to the next page ?



Humans : **Input correct values** in the form.

Machine : Difficult to interpret the meaning of the form.

Crawling requires complex thinking.

3 requirements for crawling

- Recognize the page type
- Recognize the success/fail of crawling
- Input correct values in the forms

How do you achieve them ?

Our approach

Reverse engineering of the human brain.

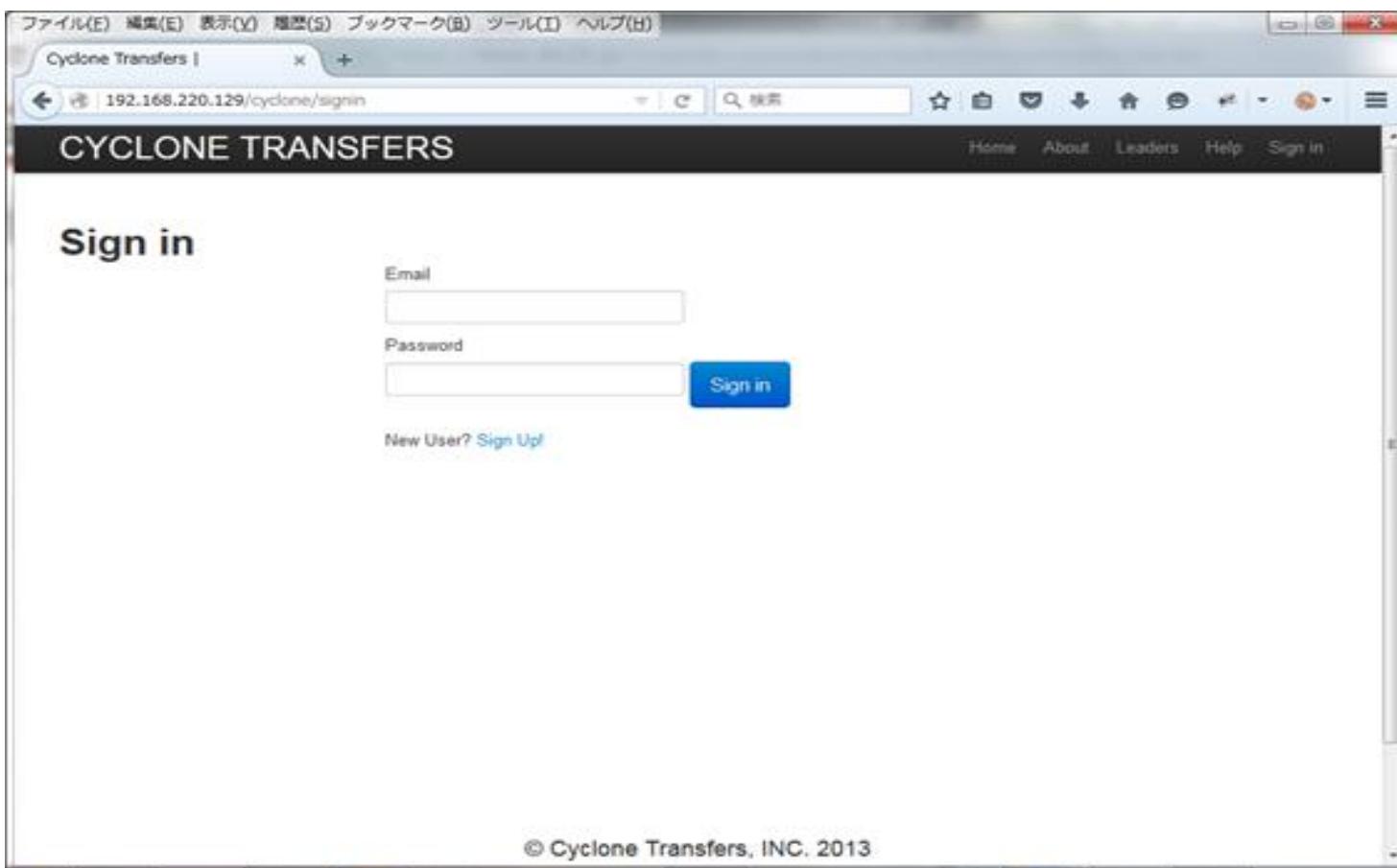
Each thinking pattern

implemented in machine learning.

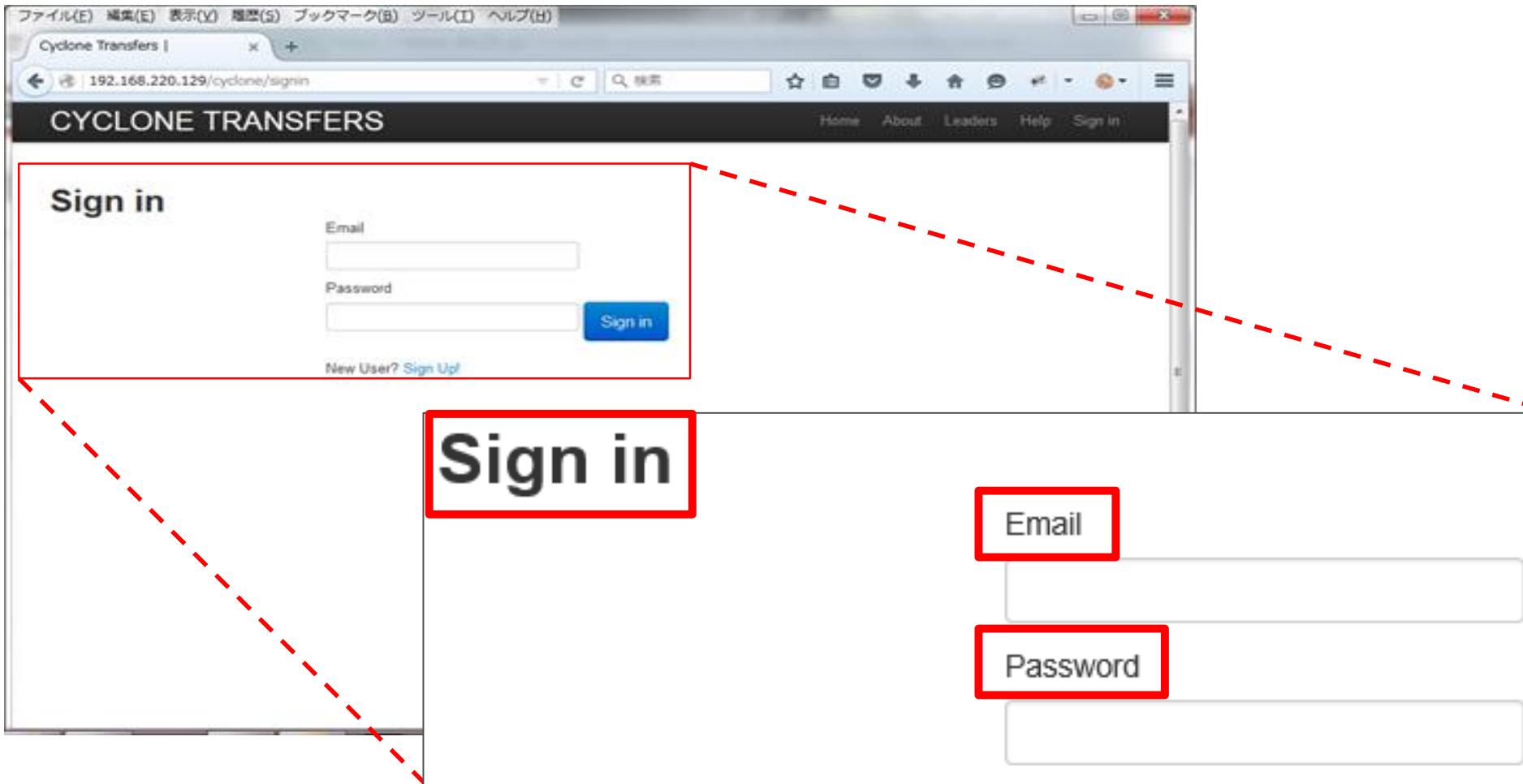
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Page recognition by humans



Page recognition by humans



Recognize the **keywords that characterize the page**.

Using Naive Bayes.

What is Naive Bayes?

Naive Bayes is used for **auto classification of texts**.

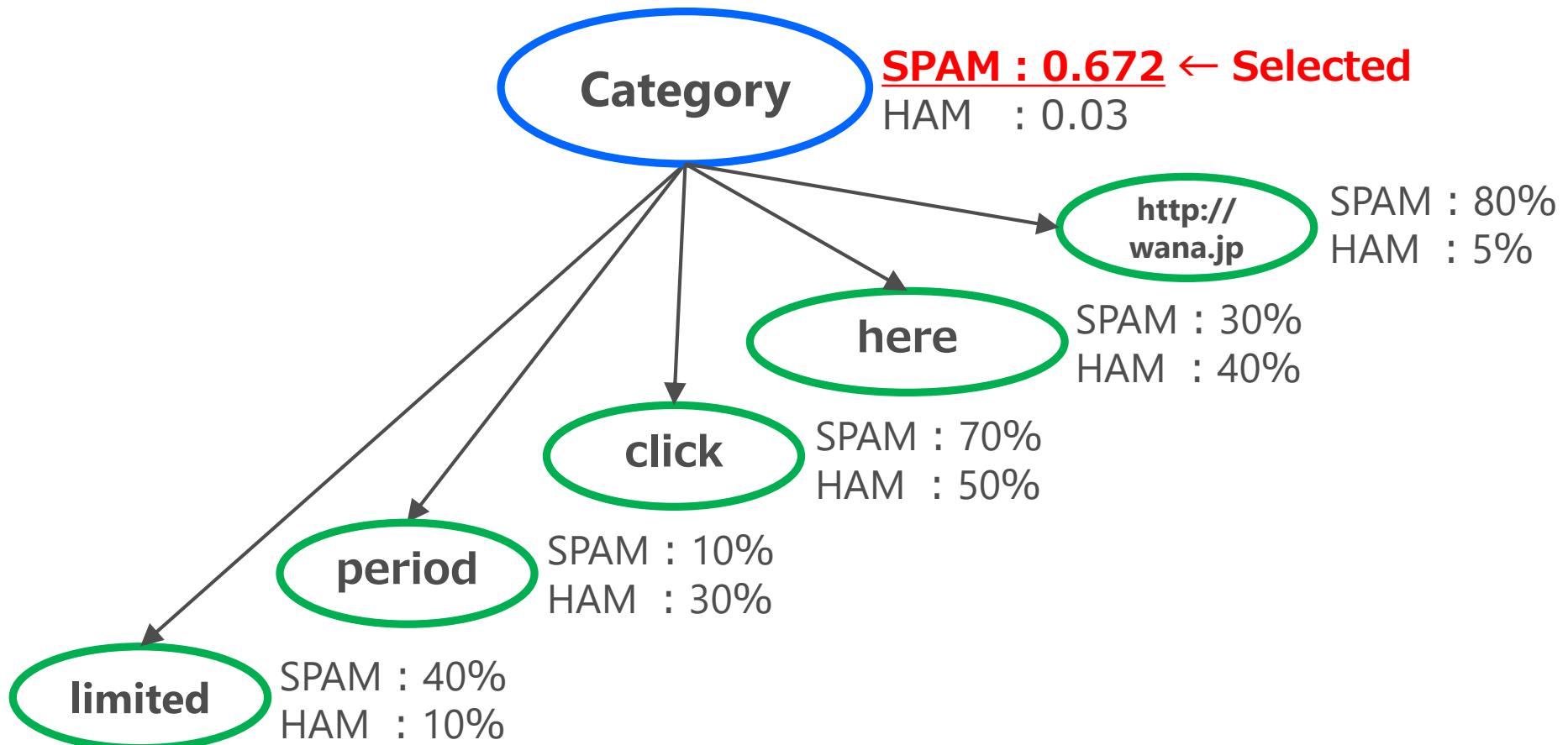
Uses **pre-defined categories** & **laws of probability**.

examples)

- Spam mail filter.
- Classify blog post genres.
- Improvement of defensive accuracy for WAF.

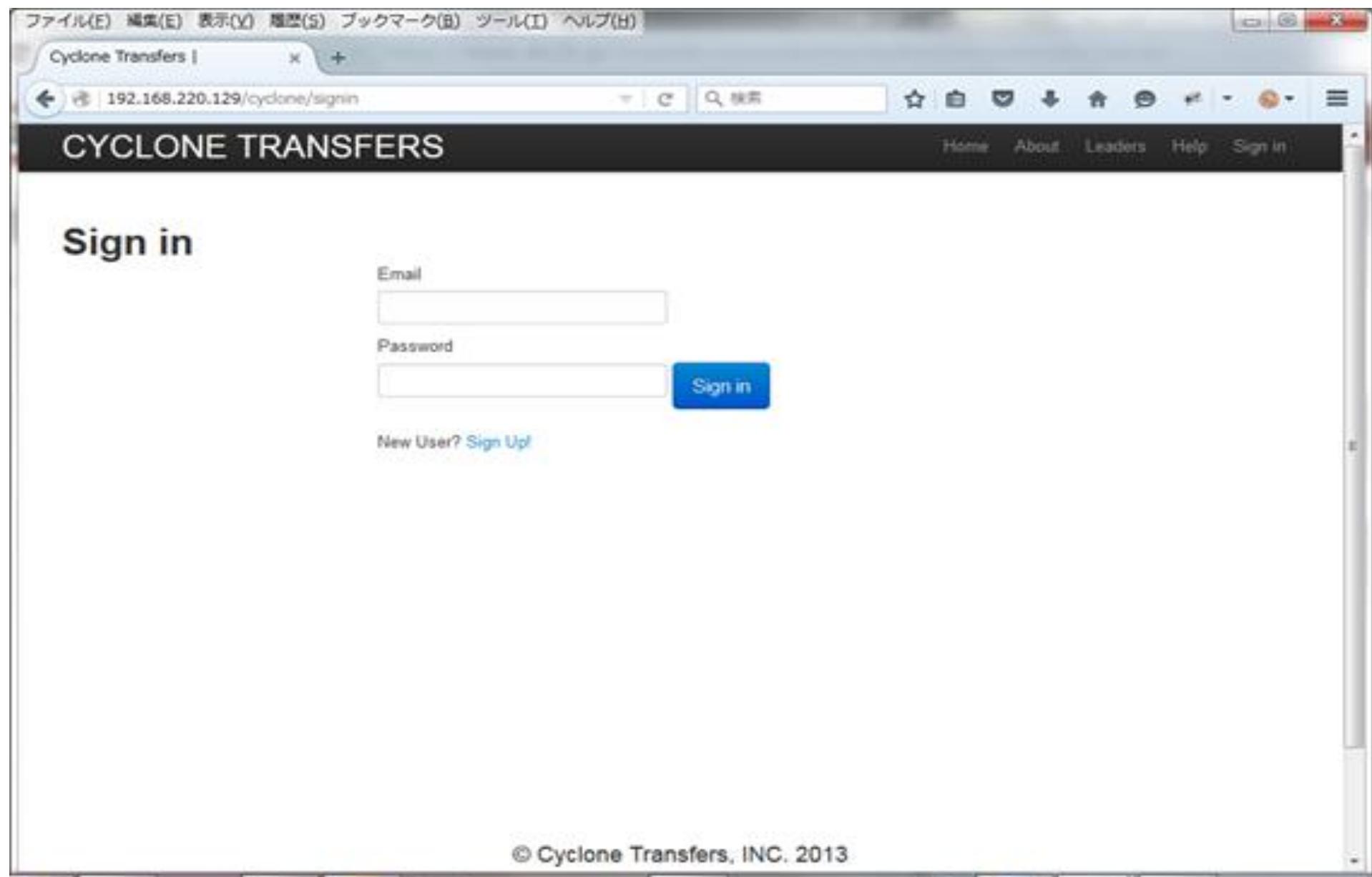
Example of the use of the spam e-mail filter.

Extracting a keyword from the mail text.



To calculate the probability of SPAM and HAM,
to select the probability is high category.

Page recognition by Naive Bayes



Page recognition by Naive Bayes

```
<h1>Sign in</h1>
<form action="/cyclone/sessions" method="post">
<label for="email">Email</label>
<input id="email" name="email" type="text" />
<label for="password">Password</label>
<input id="password" name="password" type="password" />
</form>
```

Extracts keywords that characterize the page.

Excludes “Stop words”.

Category table for page recognition

Categories	Keywords
Log in	Email, User ID, Password, Sign in ...
Register user	Email, Password, Confirm, Sign up ...
Search	Word, Text, String, Sort, Search ...
Purchase goods	Credit, Account, Expire, Purchase ...
Change password	Password, Old Password, Change ...

Selects the category that contain the many keywords.

Keywords : Sign in, Email, Password

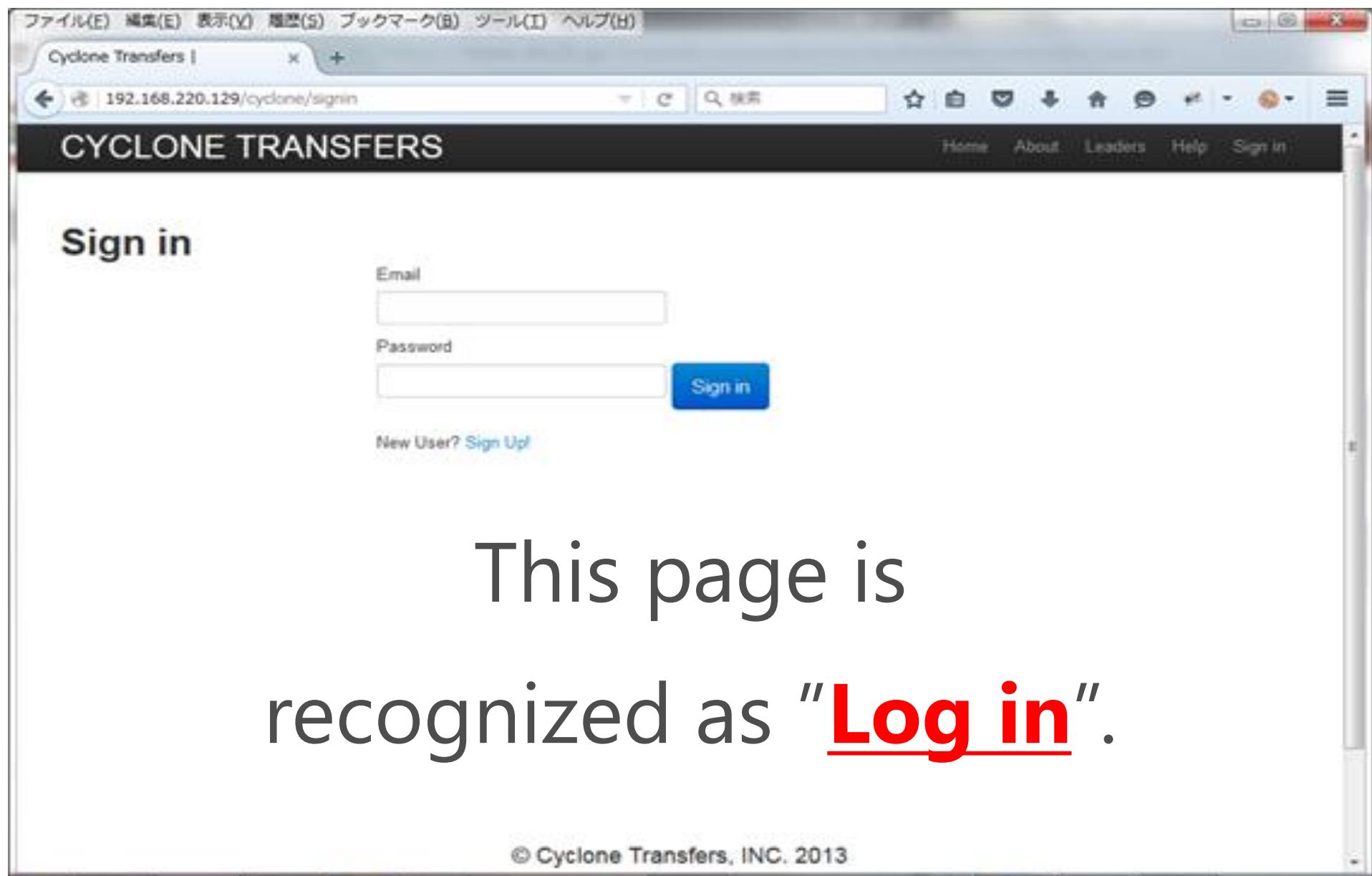
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"Log in" category contains many of the keywords.

⇒ **The highest probability** of the category "**Log in**".

Page recognition by Naive Bayes



This page is
recognized as "**Log in**".

3 requirements for crawling

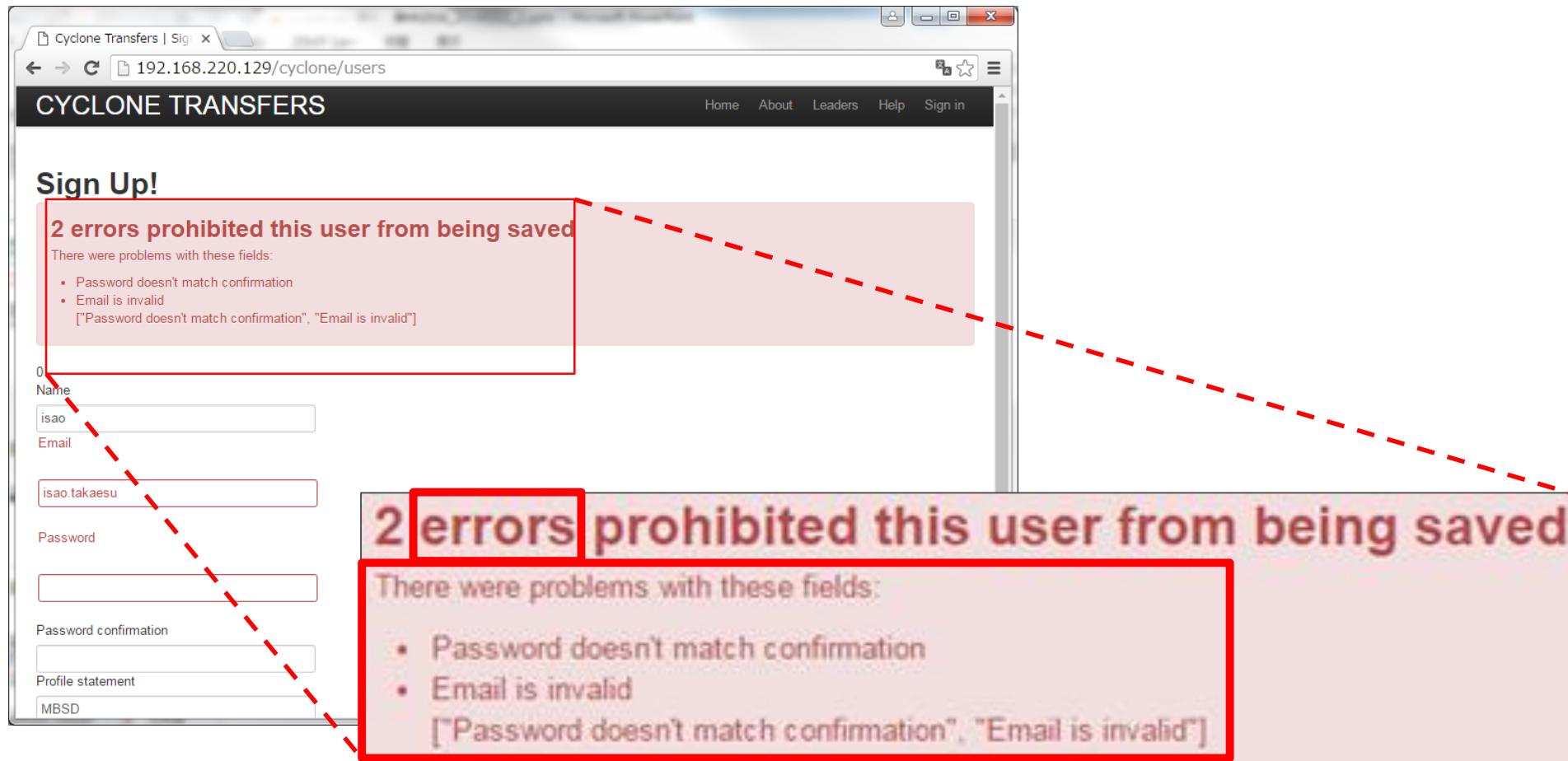
- Recognize the page type (✓)
- **Recognize the success/fail of crawling**
- Input correct values in the forms

Recognition of page crawling success/fail by humans

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `192.168.220.129/cyclone/users`. The page title is "CYCLONE TRANSFERS". The main content is a "Sign Up!" form. A red error message box at the top states "2 errors prohibited this user from being saved" and lists two validation errors: "Password doesn't match confirmation" and "Email is invalid". Below the error message, the form fields are displayed:

- Name: isao
- Email: isao.takaesu
- Password: (redacted)
- Password confirmation: (redacted)
- Profile statement: MBSD

Recognition of page crawling success/fail by humans



Recognizes the **keywords that characterize failure**.

Recognition of page crawling success/fail by machines

Using Naive Bayes.

Recognition of page crawling success/fail by machines

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title "Cyclone Transfers | Sig" and the URL "192.168.220.129/cyclone/users". The page is titled "CYCLONE TRANSFERS" and has a navigation bar with links for Home, About, Leaders, Help, and Sign in. A "Sign Up!" button is visible. A red error message box contains the text "2 errors prohibited this user from being saved" and a list of validation errors: "There were problems with these fields:" followed by two bullet points: "Password doesn't match confirmation" and "Email is invalid". Below the error message, there are input fields for Name, Email, Password, and Password confirmation, all of which have red borders indicating they are invalid. There is also a Profile statement and MBSD field, both of which are empty.

Sign Up!

2 errors prohibited this user from being saved

There were problems with these fields:

- Password doesn't match confirmation
- Email is invalid

["Password doesn't match confirmation", "Email is invalid"]

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Name

isao

Email

isao.takaesu

Password

Profile statement

MBSD

Recognition of page crawling success/fail by machines

```
<h2>2 errors prohibited this user from being saved </h2>
<p>There were problems with these fields:</p>
<ul>
<li> Password doesn't match confirmation </li>
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["Password doesn't match confirmation","Email is invalid"]
</ul>
```

Extracts keywords that characterize failure.

Excludes “Stop words”.

Category table for page crawling success/fail

Categories	Keywords
Success	good, valid, success, normal, fine, clean, nice, can, match, confirmation, ok, finish, thank ...
Failure	bad, invalid, failure, error, problem, unmatch, doesn't match, can't, too, wrong, ng, blank ...

Selects the category that contain the many keywords.

Keywords : errors, problem, doesn't match, invalid

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"Failure" category contains many of the keywords.

⇒ **The highest probability** of the category "**Failure**".

Recognize the success/fail of crawling by machines

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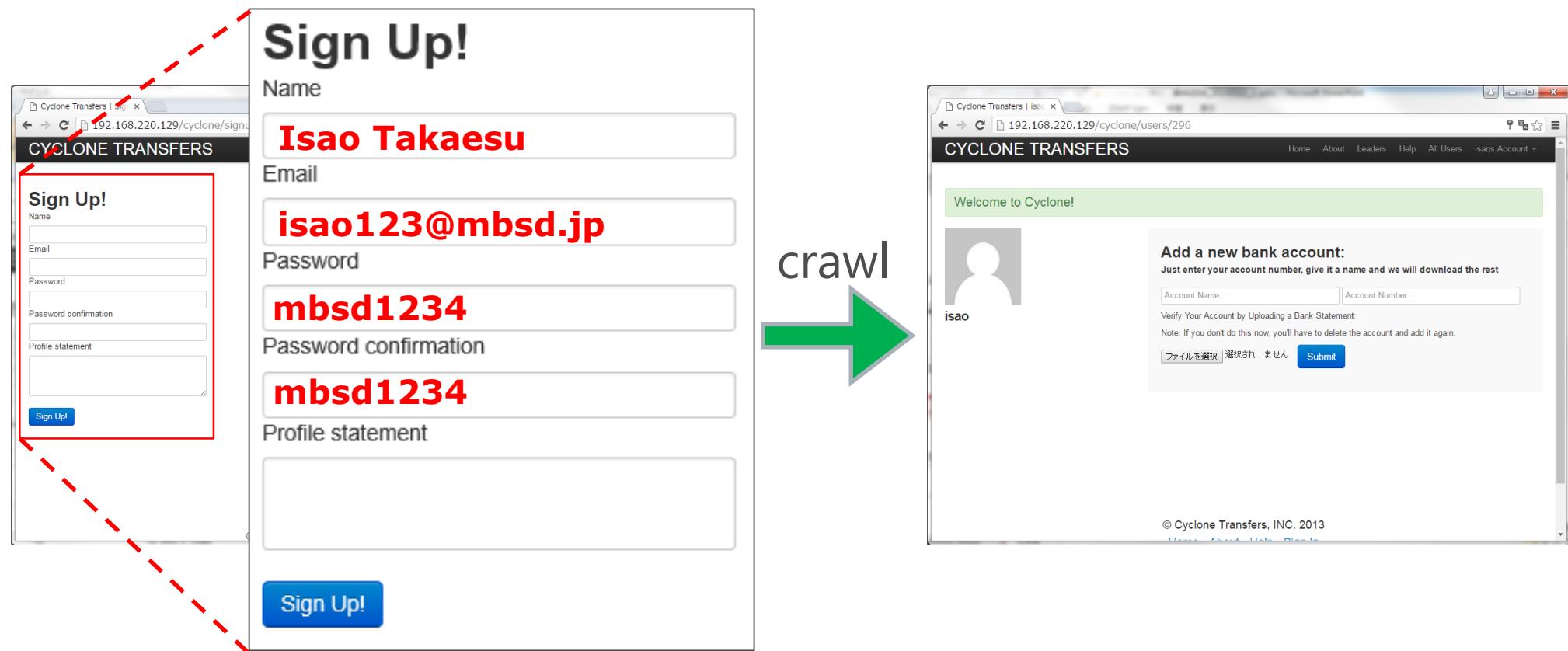
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Password confirmation
Profile statement
MBSD

This is recognized as a page transition “**failure**”.

3 requirements for crawling

- Recognize the page type (✓).
- Recognize the success/fail of crawling (✓).
- **Input correct values in the forms.**

Inputting correct values by humans



Interprets the meaning of the form and **inputs correct values.**

Inputting correct values by machines

**Using multilayer perceptron &
Q-Learning.**

What is multilayer perceptron (MLP) ?

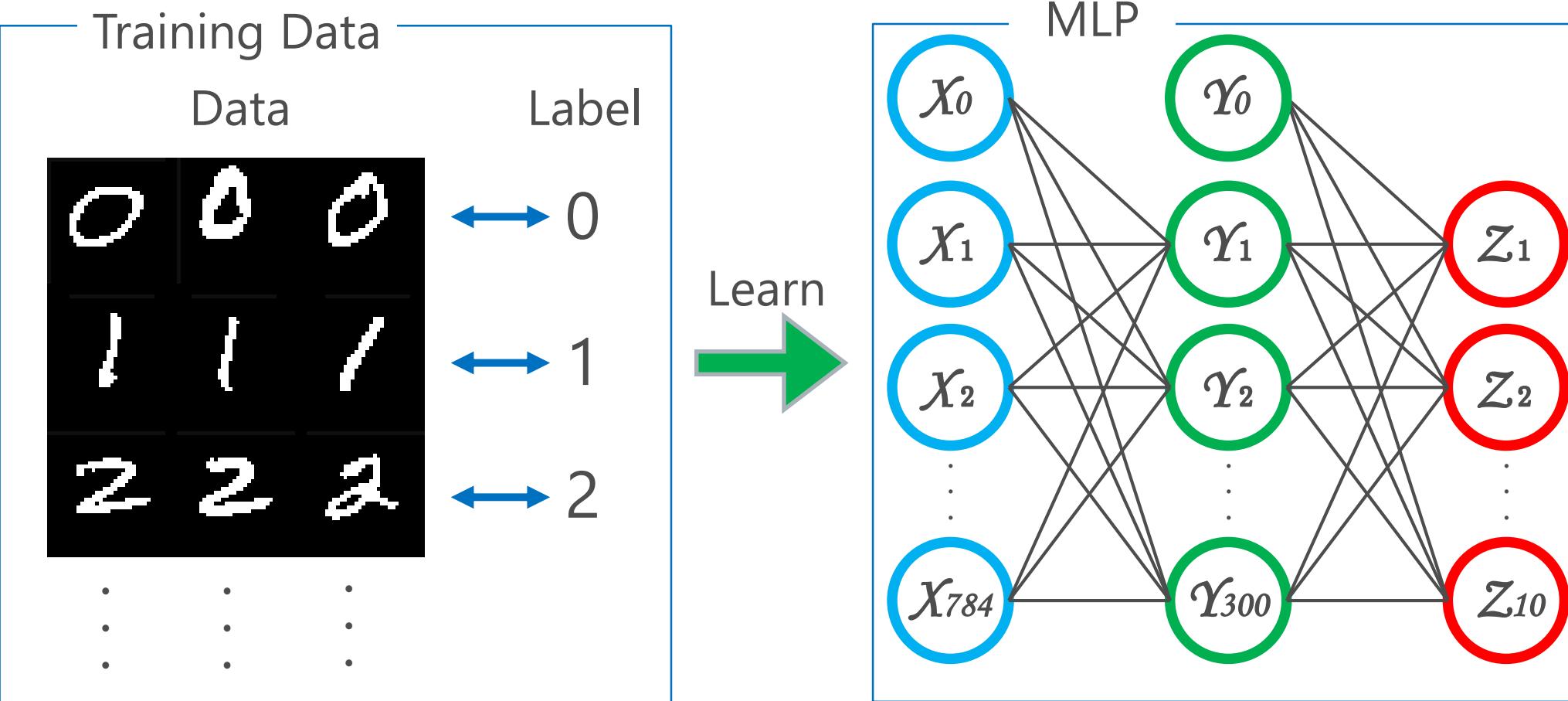
MLP is used for **image recognition.**

The model simulates the neural structure and function.

examples)

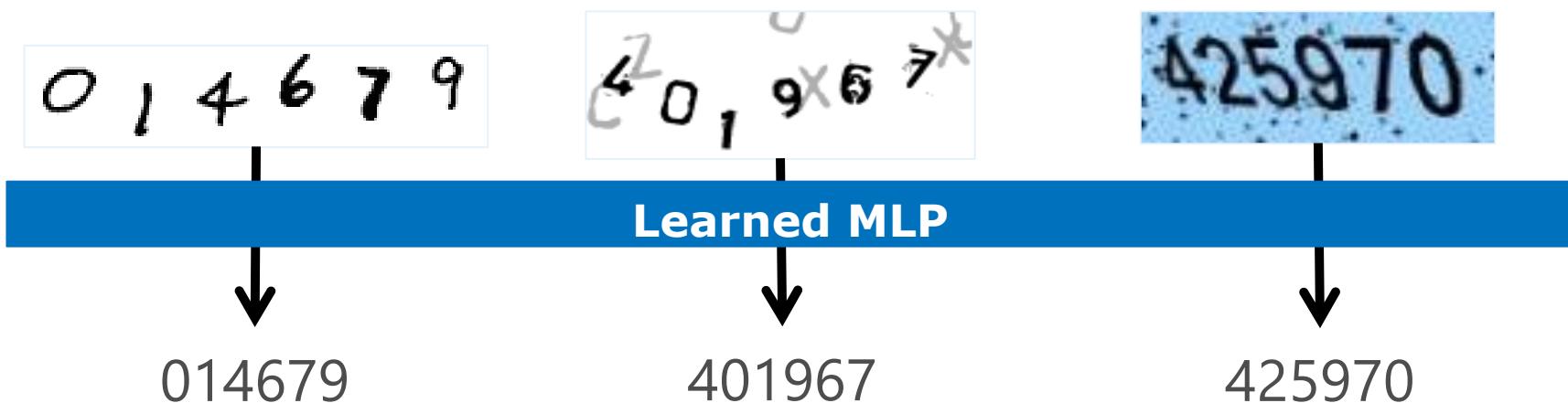
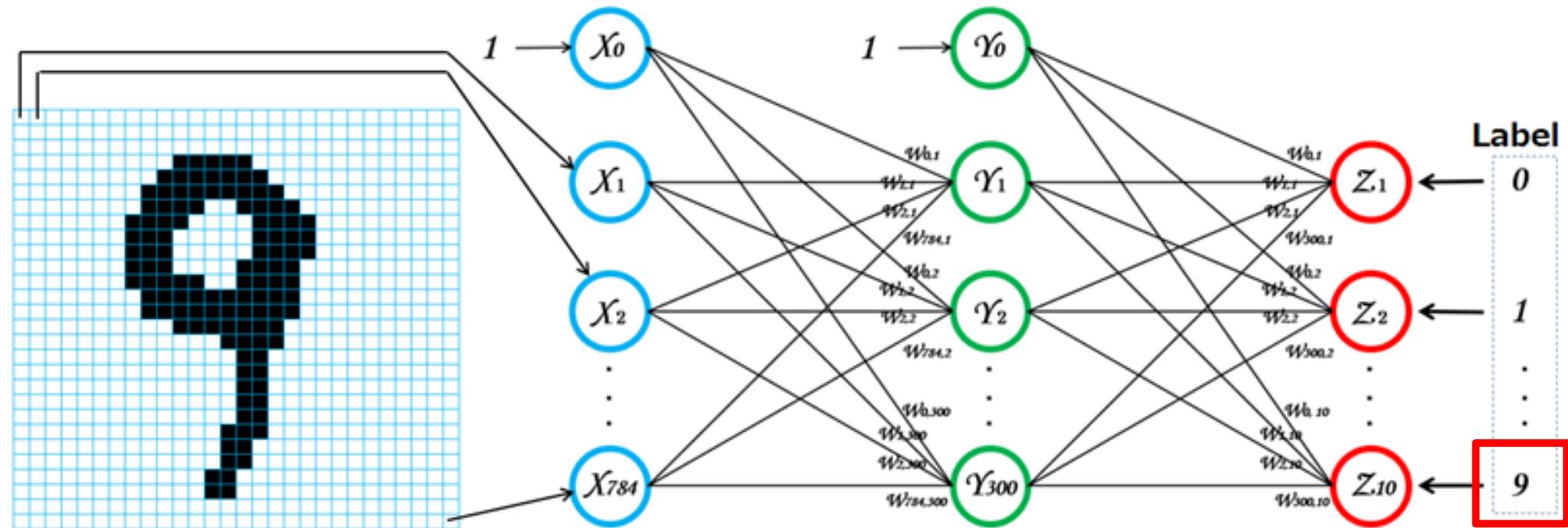
- Image recognition.
- Hand-written number recognition.

Example of the use of the hand-written number recognition



It can **output the answer depending on the input data.**

Example of the use of the hand-written number recognition



What is Q-Learning ?

An algorithm that learns the best behavior of the agent.

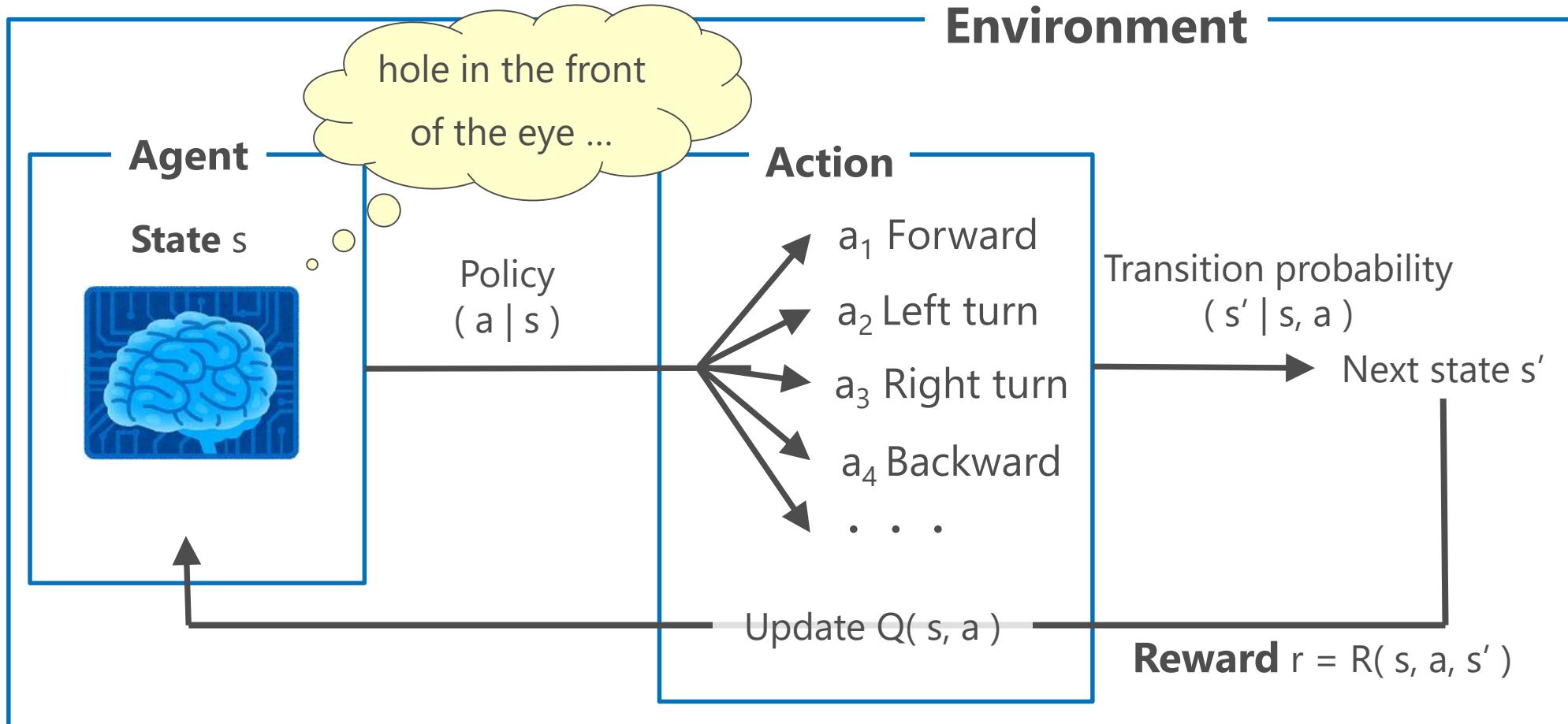
Evaluates effectiveness of the behavior using the Q-value.

examples)

- Locomotive learning in robots.
- Playing video games.
- Route search.

Example of the use of the locomotive learning in robots

Task : The goal to avoid obstacles.



Learn the policies that **total of reward is the maximum.**

Model to attain correct input values

MLP

Current page



Next page



Input values

$p1=abc, xyz\dots$

$p1=123, 12a\dots$

$p1=abc@xxx\dots$

Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Learns correct input values while attempting to crawl.

Model to attain correct input values

MLP

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Next page



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observe
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Patterns of input value

Pattern	Input value
Char	abc, abcdef, aBc, aBcdEf, ABCDEF ...
Num	123, 12345, 4111111111111111 ...
Char,Num	abc123, 123abc, aBc123, 1a2b3c ...
Char,Symbol	abc!, abc!#\$, abcdef!, abcdef!#\$...
Num,Symbol	123!, 123!#\$, 12345!, !#\$12345 ...
Char,Num,Symbol	abc123!, 123abc!, abc!123, !#\$%&a1 ...
Mail address	abc@hoge.com, abc123@hoge.com ...

Set a combination of input values to the parameter.

Target : INPUT TYPE = text, password

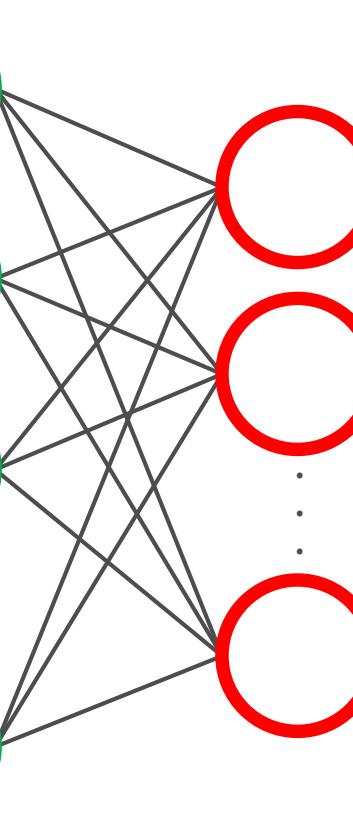
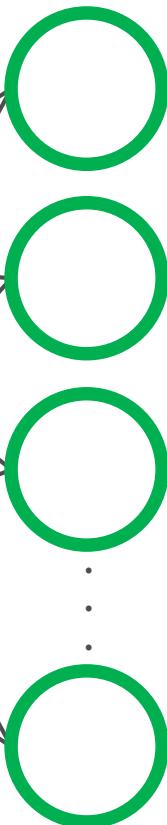
Learning flow

MLP

Current page



Next page



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p1=123, 12a...

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observe
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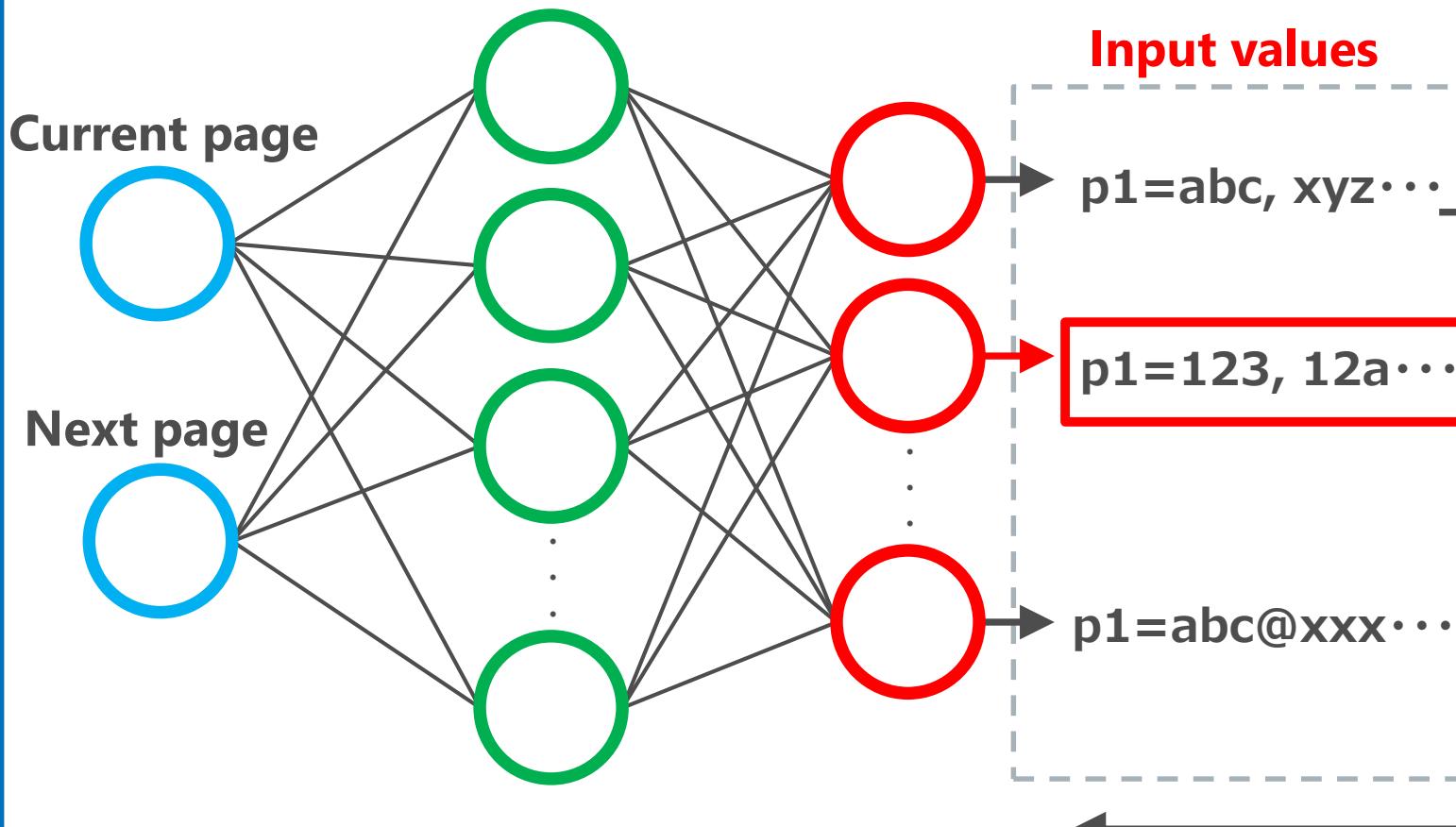
evaluate

update
weight

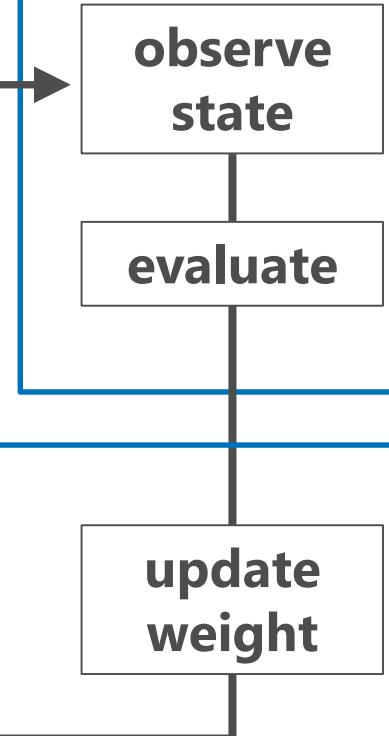
Inputs "current" and "next" page to MLP.

Learning flow

MLP



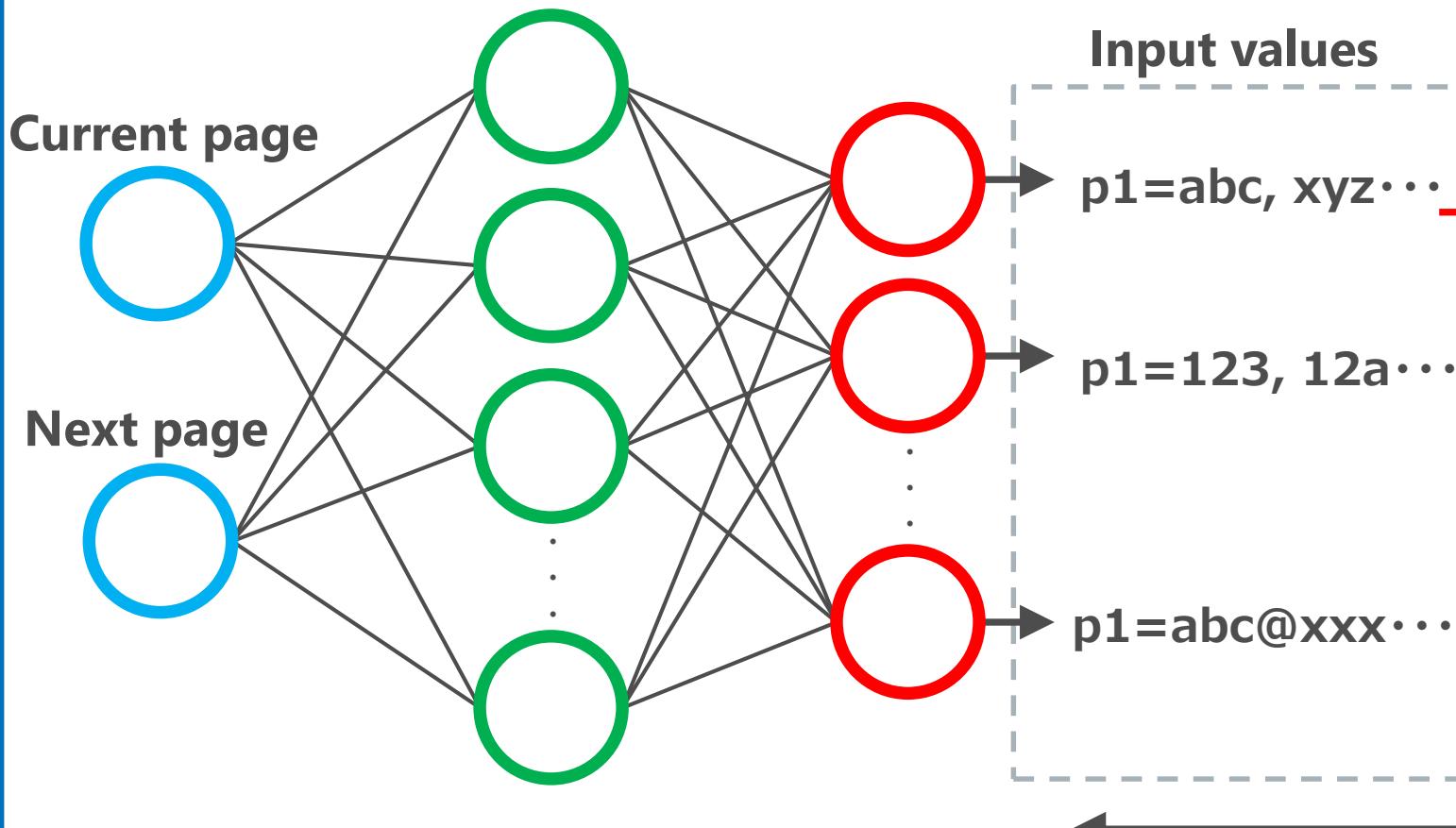
Q-Learning



Selects any input pattern from the input of MLP.

Learning flow

MLP

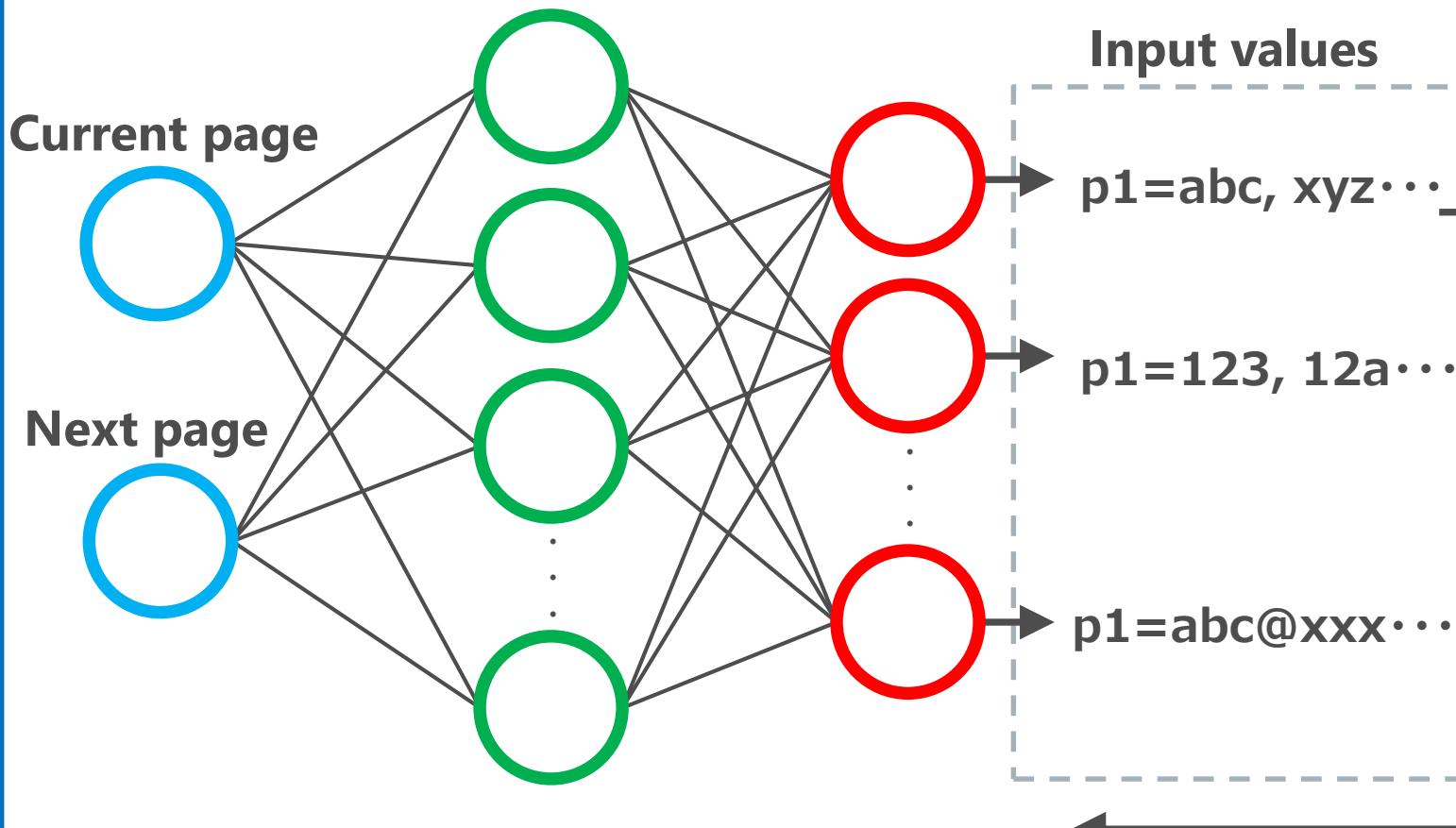


Q-Learning

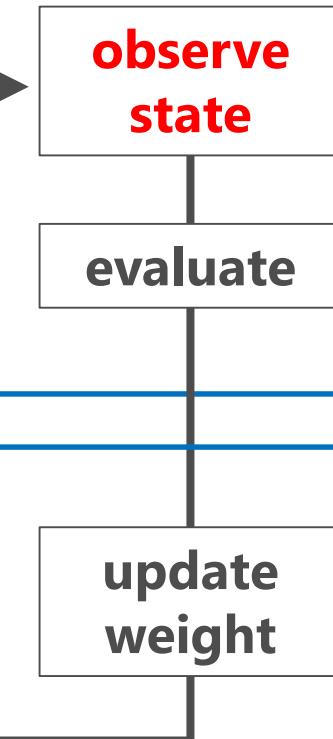
Attempts to crawl using the selected input pattern of MLP.

Learning flow

MLP



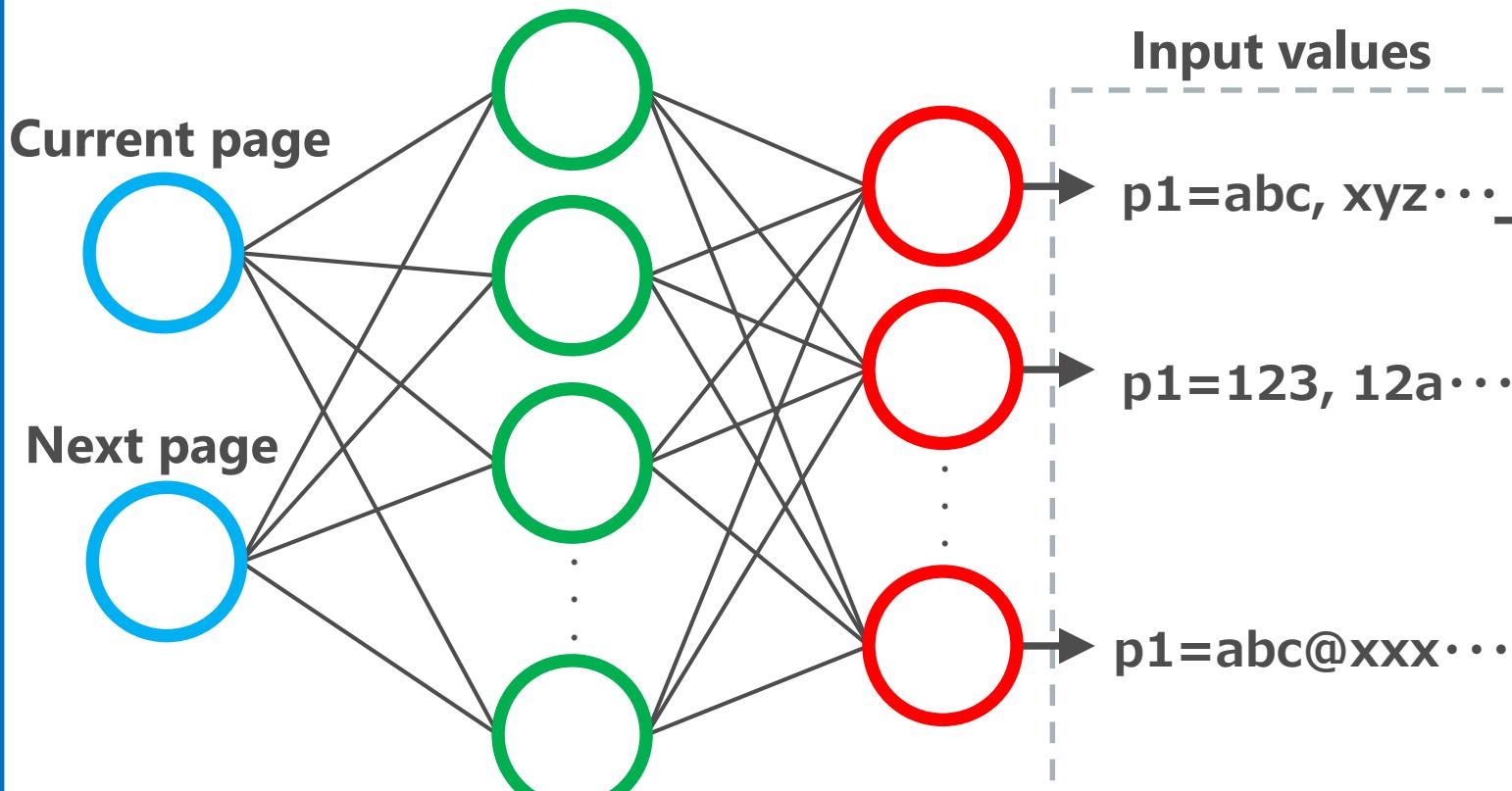
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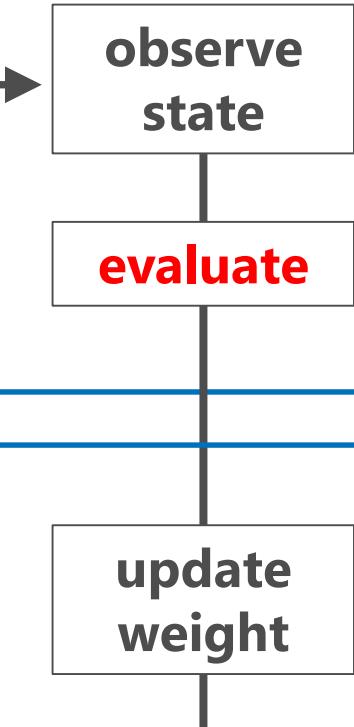
Observe the result of crawling.

Learning flow

MLP



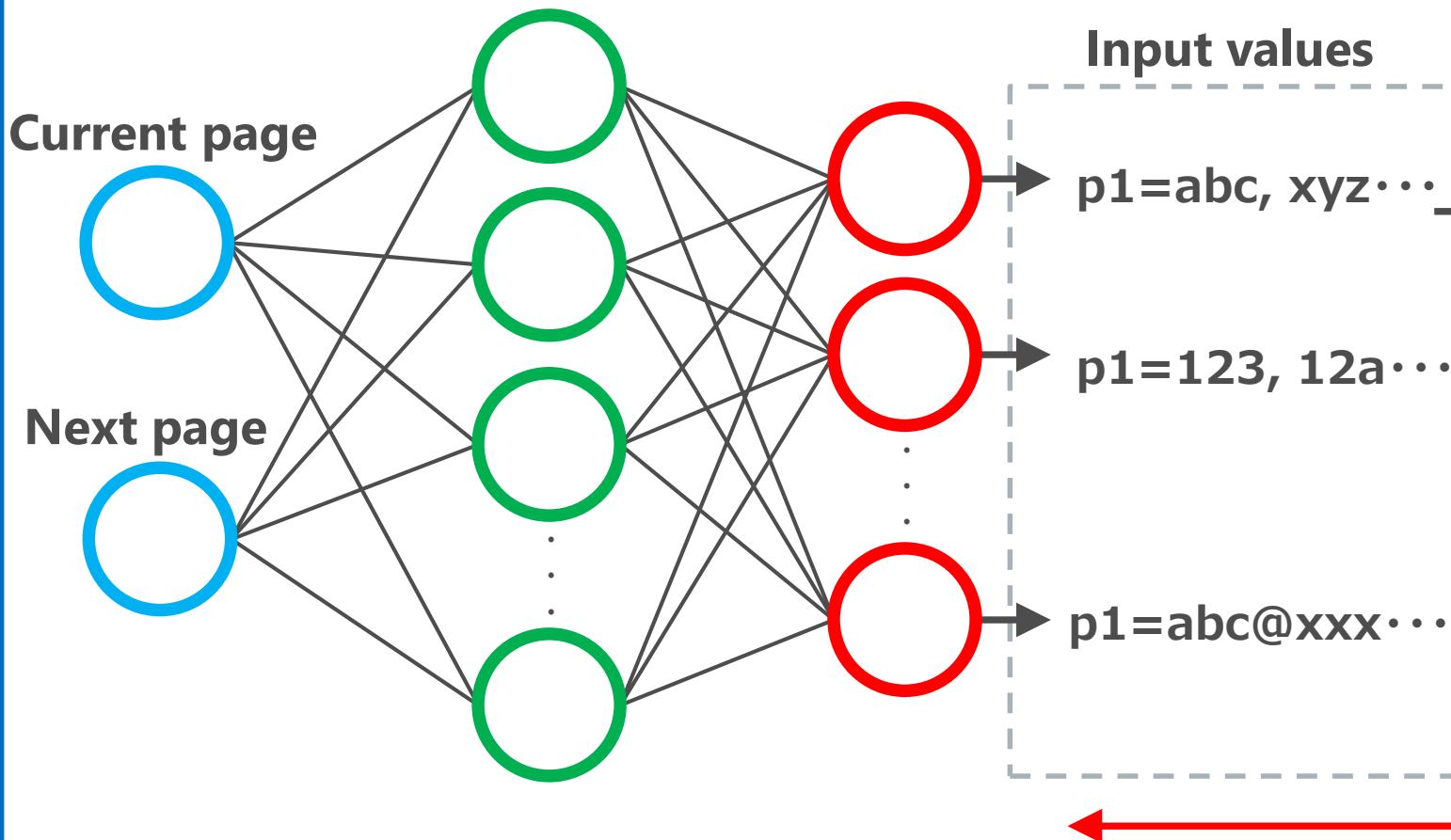
Q-Learning



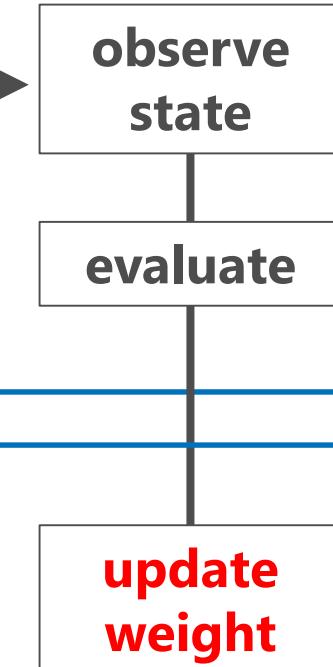
Gives a reward depending on the result of crawling.

Learning flow

MLP



Q-Learning



Update the weight of MLP using backpropagation.

Learning flow

MLP

Current page



Next page



Input values

p1=abc, xyz...

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Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Learning can be completed **at approx. 300 attempts.**

Problem

300 attempts ⇒ **Inefficient**

Pre-training.

Web apps for pre-training (one example) .

OWASP Broken Web Apps

The BodgeIt Store

We bodge it, so you dont have to!

Guest user

Home About Us Contact Us Login Your Basket Search

Doodahs
Gizmos
Thingamajigs
Thingles
Whatchamacallits
Whatsits
Widgets

Our Best Deals!

Product	Type	Price
Thingie 4	Thingles	\$3.50
GZ K77	Gizmos	\$3.05
TGJ HHI	Thingamajigs	\$2.10
GZ FZ8	Gizmos	\$1.00
Thingle 1	Thingles	\$3.00
Whatsit called	Whatsits	\$4.10
Whatsit feel like	Whatsits	\$3.95
Complex Widget	Widgets	\$3.10
Bonzo dog doo dah	Doodahs	\$2.45
Whatsit called	Whatsits	\$4.10

Peruggia 1.2

Welcome Guest | Login | Home | About | Learn



Comments

Comment on this picture

WackoPicko.com

Home Upload Recent Guestbook

Login

Welcome to WackoPicko

WackoPicko, you can share all your crazy pics with your friends. It's not all, you can also buy the rights to the high quality of someone's pictures. WackoPicko is fun for the whole family.

Here?
Create an account
Check out a sample user!
What's going on today?
You can test to see if WackoPicko can handle a file:

This file: ファイルが選択されていません.
File name:
Upload File

Yazd example skin

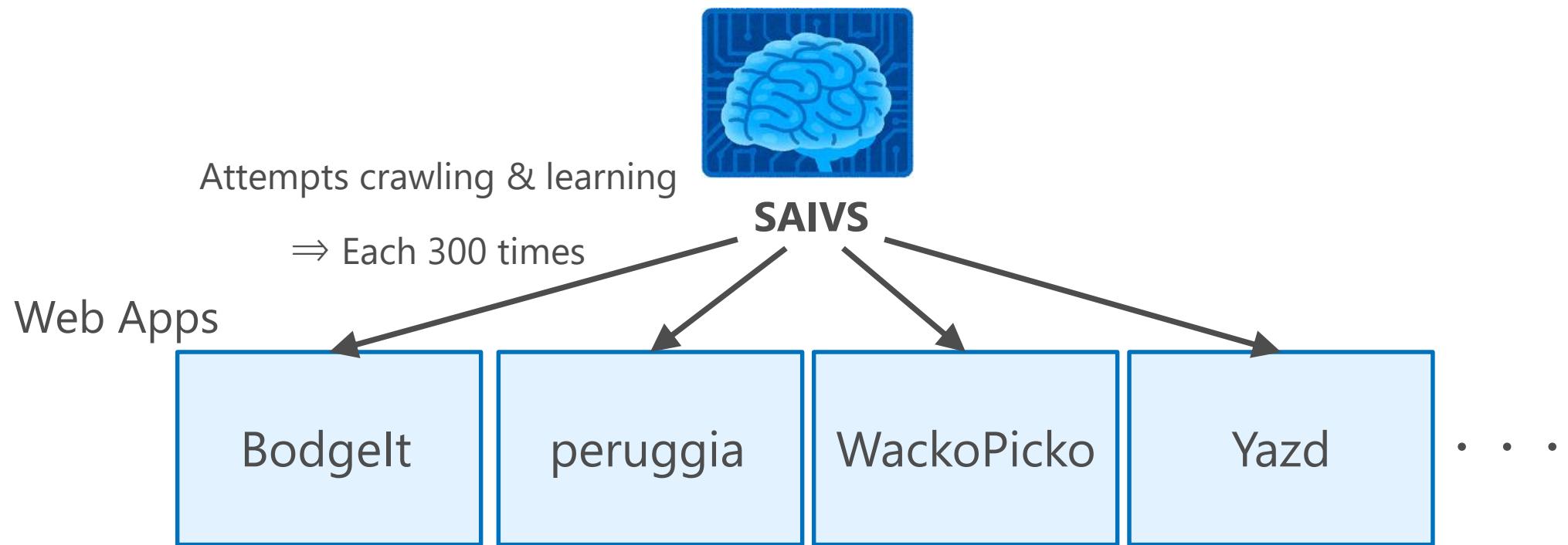
Yazd example skin

Test Forum A (/)
(1 thread, 3 messages)

Test Forum B (/)
(1 thread, 1 message)

www.yazna.com/yazd

Training SAIVS



Achieves the correct input values for each form.

Achieved correct input values (one example).

Input form	Correct input value
ID	abc, abcdef, aBc, aBcdEf, ABCDEF ...
Password	abc123!, 123abc!, abc!123, !#\$%&a1 ...
FirstName	abc, abcdef, aBc, aBcdEf, ABCDEF ...
LastName	abc, abcdef, aBc, aBcdEf, ABCDEF ...
Email address	abc@hoge.com, abc123@hoge.com ...
Username	abc, abcdef, aBc, aBcdEf, ABCDEF ...
Signature	abc, abcdef, aBc, aBcdEf, ABCDEF ...

Problem : mismatch of form strings

Used in Training

Username: (required)

Password: (required)

Confirm: (required)

Email address: (required)

Name:

URL:

Signature:
(255 characters only)

Mismatch!!

Used in actual assessment

Name

Email

Password

Password confirmation

Profile statement

Calculate the
similarity of form strings.

Calculate similarity

Using **word2vec.**

What is word2vec ?

Calculation method for **similar words** in NLP.

A word is represented by a vector.

examples)

- Similarity between words

Input : e-mail

word	cos distance
email	0.956302
mail	0.927386
reply	0.920610

- Adding and subtracting words

formula	answer
Iraq - Violence	Jordan
Human - Animal	Ethics
Japan – Tokyo + France	Paris

Example of the use of the similarity calculation

Calculate similarity using **words around the word of interest**.

Training data)

interpretation further. However, if anyone wishes to **discuss** this, I'm certainly willing (either **offline** - **e-mail** - or Stephen In **article** **bevans@carina.unm.edu** (Mathemagician) **writes**: Just what do gay people do that straight • • •

carries archives of old alt.atheism.moderated **articles** and assorted other files. For more information, **send mail** to **archive-server@mantis.co.uk** saying help **send** atheism/index and it will **mail** back a **reply**. mathew An • • •

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The similarity of the "e-mail", "mail", "reply" is high.

Word2vec training data

The 20 Newsgroups data set.

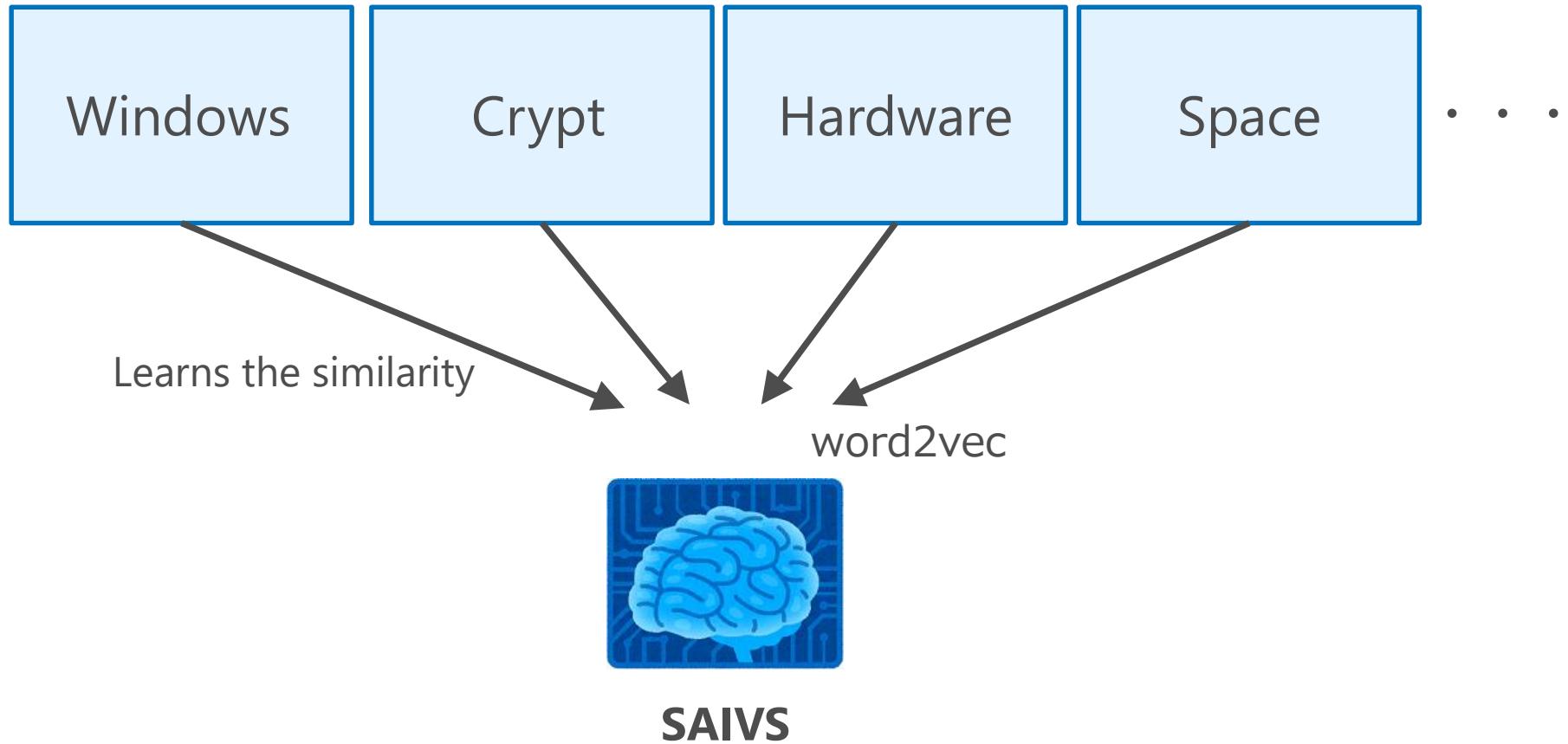
A collection of newsgroups : about **20,000** news.

examples of newsgroup)

- Computer (Graphics, MS-Windows, Hardware)
- Science (Cryptography, Electronics, Space)
- Hobby (Motorcycles, Baseball, Hockey)

Training SAIVS

The 20 Newsgroups data set



Learns the similarity between the words.

Learned similarities in the training

Target : e-mail

candidate	similarity
email	0.956302
mail	0.927386
E-mail	0.900249
address	0.893337
reply	0.865438
contact	0.846801
message	0.792930
chat	0.754903
newsgroup	0.747636

Target : name

candidate	similarity
names	0.962508
username	0.939661
nickname	0.933694
naming	0.898254
surname	0.863966
initials	0.861093
firstname	0.849641
lastname	0.847604
title	0.782467

Target : website

candidate	similarity
homepage	0.794415
blog	0.752945
site	0.708534
webpage	0.701838
portal	0.701374
forum	0.692067
com	0.641086
archive	0.537914
org	0.531096

Extracts candidate words of Top 10.

Learned similarities in the training

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webpage	0.701838
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forum	0.692067
com	0.641086
archive	0.537914
org	0.531096

Selects a candidate word that **matches the form string of training.**

Learned similarities in the training

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⇒ **abc@hoge.com**

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⇒ **aBcdEf**

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blog	0.752945
site	0.708534
webpage	0.701838
portal	0.701374
forum	0.692067
com	0.641086
archive	0.537914
org	0.531096

⇒ **http://hoge.com**

3 requirements for crawling

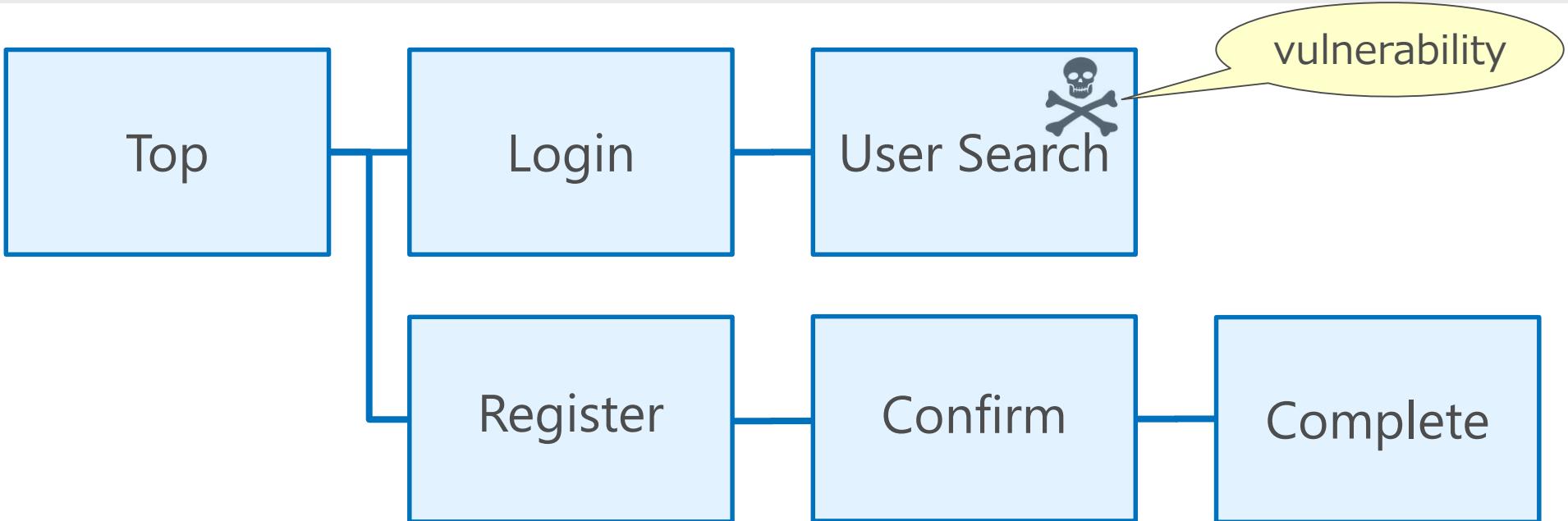
- Recognize the page type (✓).
- Recognize the success/fail of crawling (✓).
- Input correct values in the forms (✓).

Demonstration of crawling

Target : OWASP Broken Web Apps **Cyclone**

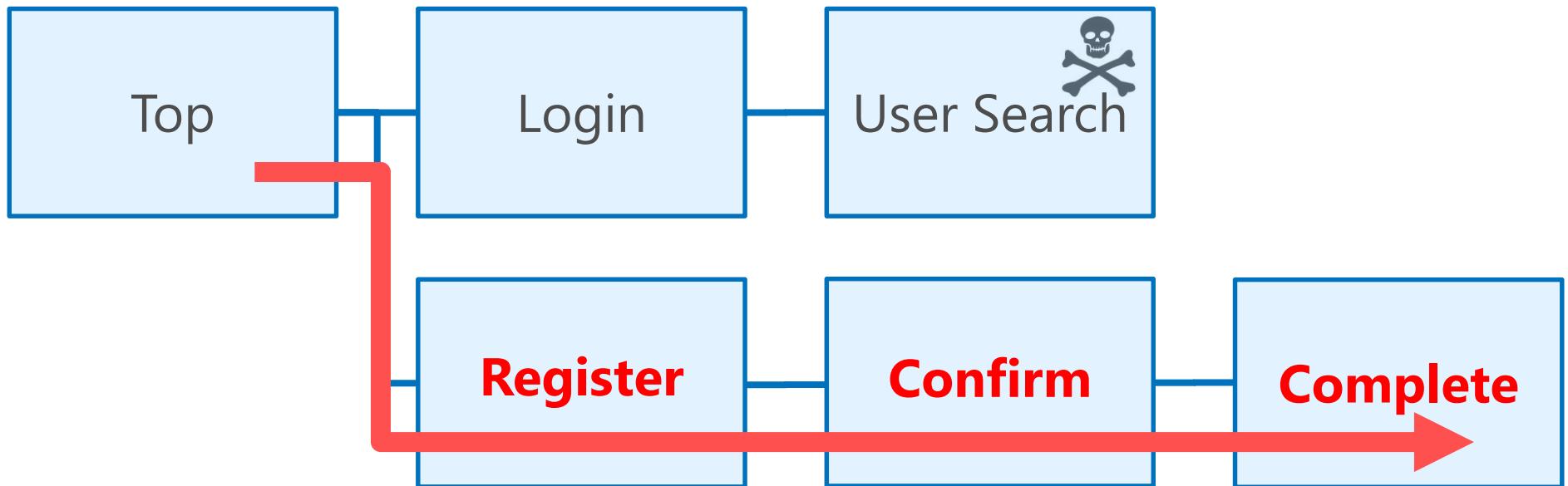
The screenshot shows a web browser window for the URL <http://192.168.153.128/cyclone/>. The page title is "Cyclone Transfers | Home". The main content features a large "Welcome to Cyclone!" heading and a subtext "A new way to transfer money to your friends!". A "Sign Up!" button is visible. On the left, there's a logo with a stylized cyclone graphic and the word "CYCLONE". A red callout box contains the text: "CAUTION: This is an intentionally broken web application. Please do NOT use any real information". Below this, a blue callout box provides account information: "Account: You can sign up on your own, or use an existing one" followed by "user: cycloneuser-3@cyclonetransfers.com" and "password: password".

Demonstration of crawling



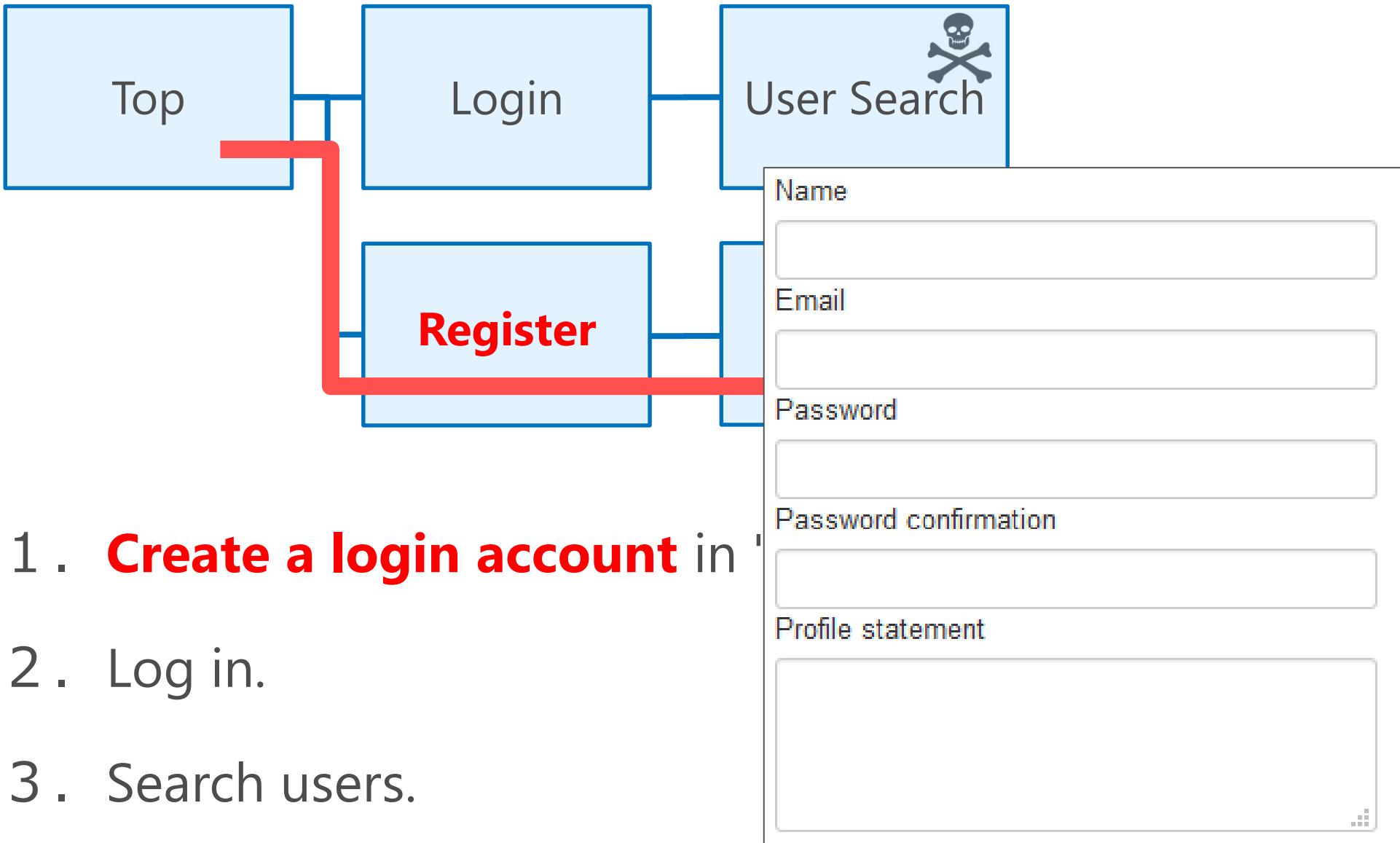
1. Create a login account in "register".
2. Log in.
3. Search users.

Demonstration of crawling



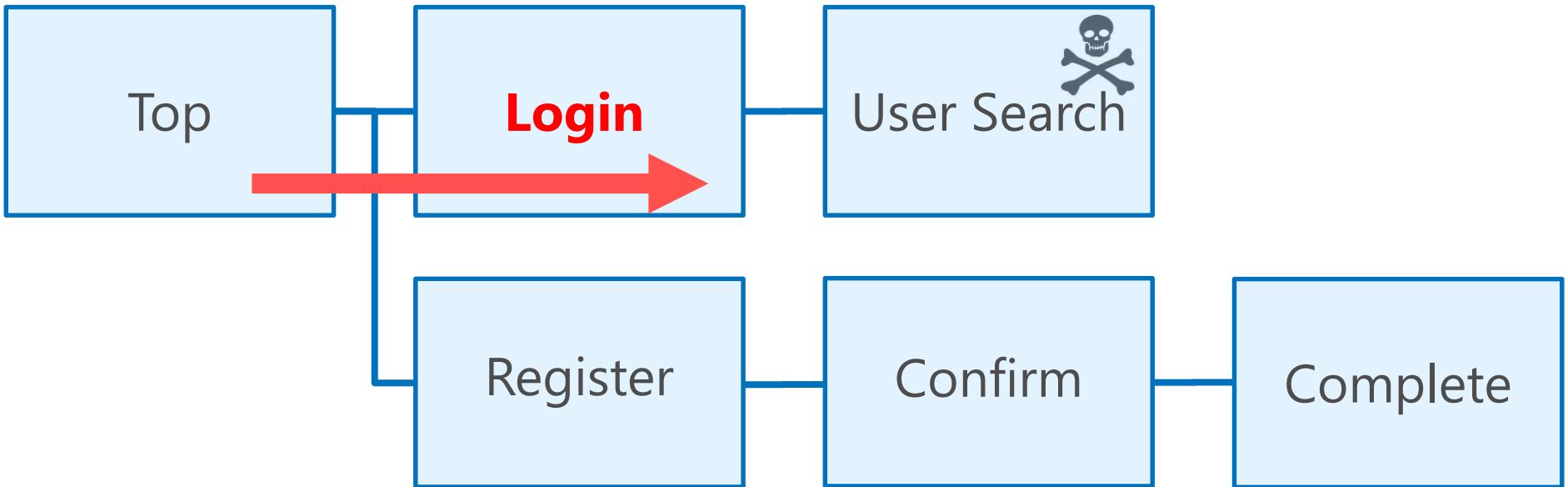
1. **Create a login account** in "register".
2. Log in.
3. Search users.

Demonstration of crawling



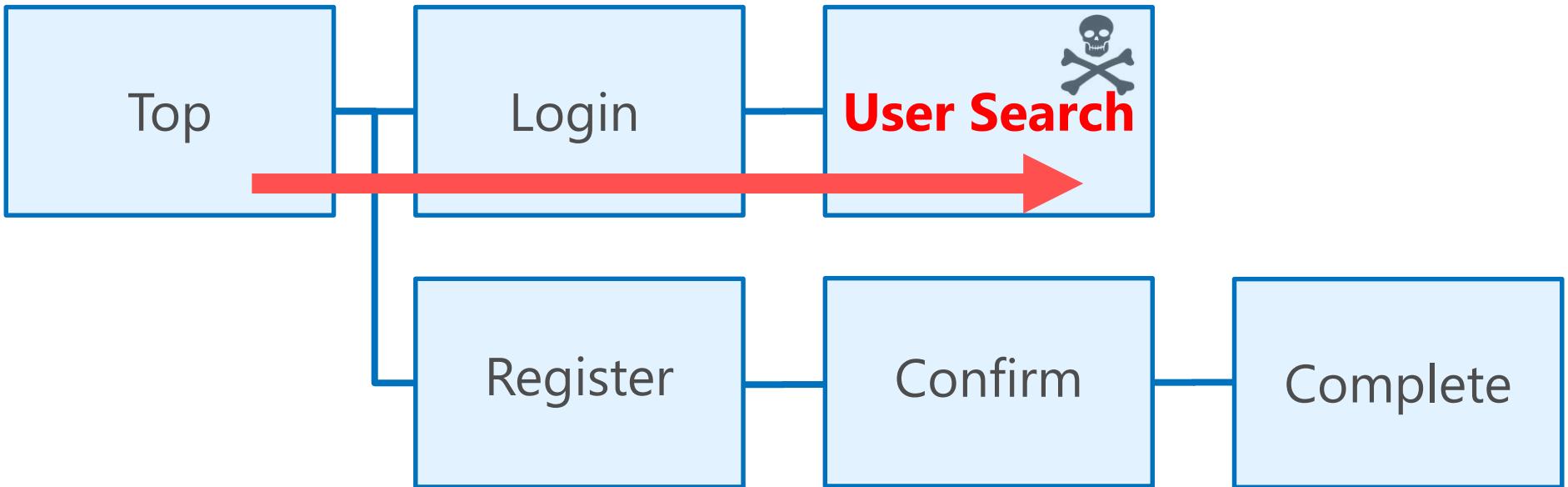
1. **Create a login account** in [redacted]
2. Log in.
3. Search users.

Demonstration of crawling



1. Create a login account in "register".
2. **Log in.**
3. Search users.

Demonstration of crawling



1. Create login account in "register".
2. Log in.
3. **Search users.**

Demonstration movie of crawling

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aXw3vgXbl1U>

Abilities of SAIVS

- Crawls web apps. (✓)
- **Detects vulnerabilities.**

Objective of this research

To detect vulnerabilities with **less trouble.**

**There are many web application
vulnerabilities...**

Target vulnerability of this research

Reflected Cross-Site Scripting (RXSS)

Example of RXSS Pattern 1 : very vulnerable web app

http://xxx/case3/?input=**testData**

```
<html>
<head>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html">
<title>Case 3 - RXSS</title>
</head>
<body>
<input type="text" value="testData">
</body>
</html>
```

Input value is echoed in the **"VALUE" attribute of the INPUT tag.**

Example of RXSS Pattern 1 : attacking a web app

`http://xxx/case3/?input=``>/><script>alert('XSS');</script>`

```
<html>
<head>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html">
<title>Case 3 - RXSS</title>
</head>
<body>
<input type="text"
value="/><script>alert('XSS');</script>">
</body>
</html>
```

JavaScript is inserted in the HTML syntax.

Example of RXSS Pattern 2 : a little more secure web app

`http://xxx/case4/?input=``>/<script>alert('XSS');</script>`

```
<html>
<head>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html">
<title>Case 4 - RXSS</title>
</head>
<body>
<input type="text" value="/> alert('XSS');">
</body>
</html>
```

SCRIPT tag is sanitized by the web app.

Example of RXSS Pattern 2 : attacking web app

[http://xxx/case4/?input=onmouseout=alert\('XSS'\)](http://xxx/case4/?input=onmouseout=alert('XSS'))

```
<html>
<head>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html">
<title>Case 4 - RXSS</title>
</head>
<body>
<input type="text" value="onmouseout=alert('XSS')">
</body>
</html>
```

JavaScript is inserted to **avoid sanitization.**

3 requirements for detecting RXSS

- Understanding HTML syntax.
- Understanding JavaScript syntax.
- Avoiding sanitization.

How do you achieve them ?

Our approach

Reverse engineering the human brain.

Each thinking pattern

implemented in machine learning.

3 requirements for detecting RXSS

- **Understanding HTML syntax.**
- **Understanding JavaScript syntax.**
- Avoiding sanitization.

Understanding of HTML/JavaScript syntax by machines

Using **LSTM**

What is LSTM (Long-Short Term Memory) ?

It can **learn chronological data.**

It can learn dependencies in short & long term data.

examples)

- Machine translation.
- Text generation. (novel, lyrics, source code)
- Sound generation. (music, human voice)

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Example of the use of the text generation.

Generation of source code. (from Andrej Karpathy blog)

Training Data

```
static int indicate_policy(void)
{
    int error;
    if (fd == MARN_EPT) {
        if (ss->segment < mem_total)
            unblock_set_blocked();
        else
            ret = 1;
        goto bail;
    }
    segaddr = in_SB(in.addr);
    selector = seg / 16;
    . . .
```

Generated source code by LSTM

```
static void settings(struct *tty)
{
    if (tty == tty)
        disable_single_st_p(dev);
    pci_disable_spool(port);
    return 0;
}

static void command(struct seq_file *m)
{
    int column = 32 << (cmd[2] & 0x80);
    if (state)
    . . .
```

It can generate a code from the starting point (seed).

Why LSTM ?

http://xxx/textarea1?in=xxx

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>Reflected XSS in  
textarea (textarea1)</title></head><body>  
<H2>Textarea injection test</H2>  
<FORM>  
<textarea name="in" rows="5" cols="60">xxx</textarea>  
• • •
```

Input value is echoed in the **TEXTAREA tag.**

Why LSTM ?

http://xxx/textarea1?in=<script>alert('XSS');</script>

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>Reflected XSS in  
textarea (textarea1)</title></head><body>  
<H2>Textarea injection test</H2>  
<FORM>  
<textarea name="in" rows="5" cols="60">  
<script>alert('XSS');</script></textarea>  
• • •
```

JavaScript doesn't run.

⇒ **Simple script injection is not allowed.**

Why LSTM ?

http://xxx/textarea1?in=xxx

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>Reflected XSS in  
textarea (textarea1)</title></head><body>  
<H2>Textarea injection test</H2>  
<FORM>  
<textarea name="in" rows="5" cols="60">xxx</textarea>  
• • •
```

"Is JavaScript inserted after closing the TEXTAREA tag ?"

Why LSTM ?

```
http://xxx/textarea1?in=</textarea><script>alert('XSS');</script>
<!doctype html><html><head><title>Reflected XSS in
textarea (textarea1)</title></head><body>
<H2>Textarea injection test</H2>
<FORM>
<textarea name="in" rows="5"
cols="60"></textarea><script>alert('XSS');</script></t
extarea>
• • •
```

Understands the context of HTML and inserts a script.

⇒ **JavaScript run.**

How can LSTM be learned ?

Learning data for LSTM (HTML)

20,000 pages of HTML syntax. (about 12,000 types)

```
<abbr class="" data-utime="" title=""></abbr>
<abbr class=' ' title=' '></abbr>
<abbr data-utime=' ' title=' '></abbr>
• • •

<input name="" type="" value="" />
<input alt="" id="" onclick="" src="" type="" />
<input alt=' ' id="" src=' ' type=' '/>
<input alt=' ' name=' ' src=' ' type=' '/>
• • •

<video autoplay="" loop="" muted=""></video>
<video class="" height="" id="" width=""></video>
<video src=' ' tabindex=' '></video>
<video src=' ' ></video>
```

Learning data for LSTM (JavaScript)

10,000 pages of JavaScript syntax.

```
_satellite.pageBottom();']  
  (function(window) {  
    var _gaq = _gaq || [];  
    var methods = ['log', 'dir', 'trace'];  
    if (typeof window.console === 'undefined') {  
      window.console = {};  
    }  
    for (var i in methods) {  
      if (!(methods[i] in window.console)) {  
        window.console[methods[i]] = function() {};  
      }  
    }  
  })(window);
```

Generated syntax by learned LSTM (one example)

Seed	Generated syntax
<textarea cols="60">xxx	</textarea>
<!-- mbsdtest xxx	-->
<input type="" value="xxx	
var hoge = ['log', 'xxx	red']);\r\n
/* mbsdtest xxx	*/
function(){ xxx	}\r\n

It can **generate a syntax from the seeds.**

3 requirements for detecting RXSS

- Understanding HTML syntax (✓).
- Understanding JavaScript syntax (✓).
- **Avoiding sanitization.**

Avoidance of sanitization by machines

**Using Multilayer perceptron &
Q-Learning.**

Model to avoid sanitization

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

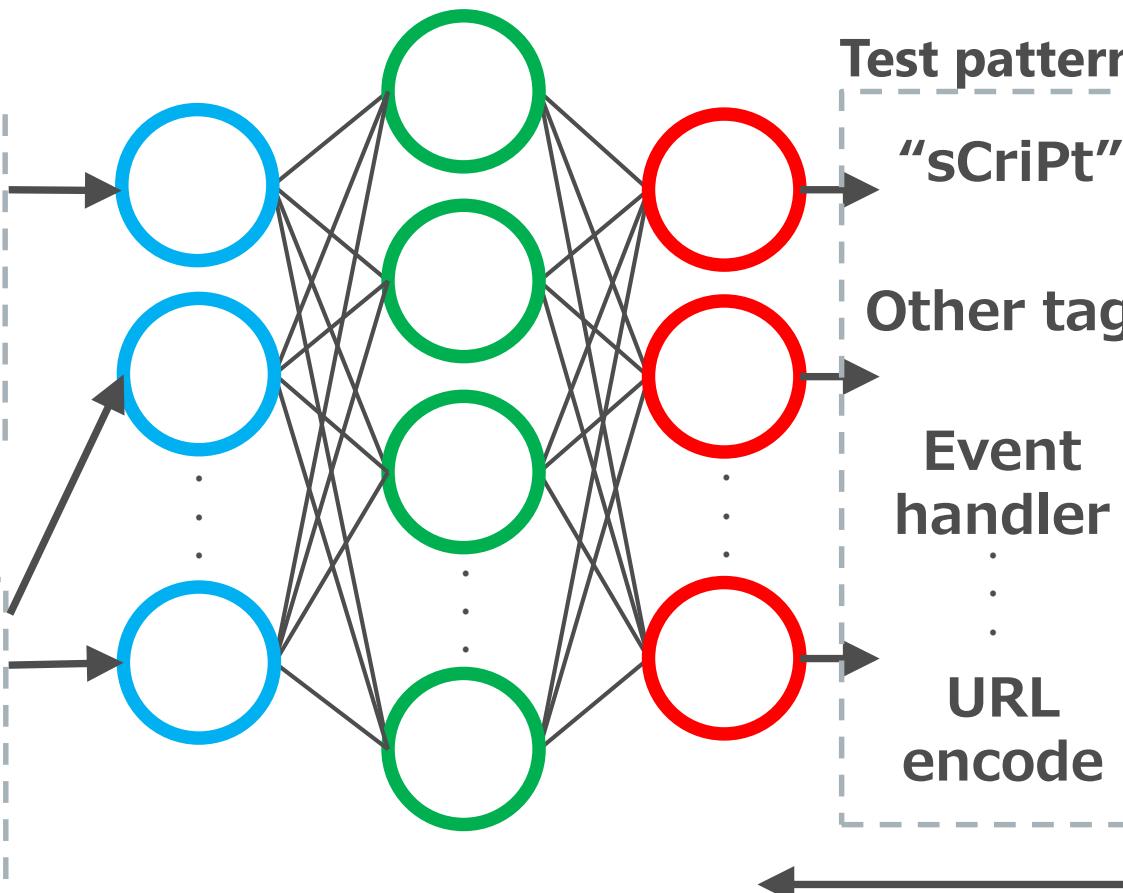
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight



Learns the pattern of avoiding sanitization while attempting to test.

Model to avoid sanitization.

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

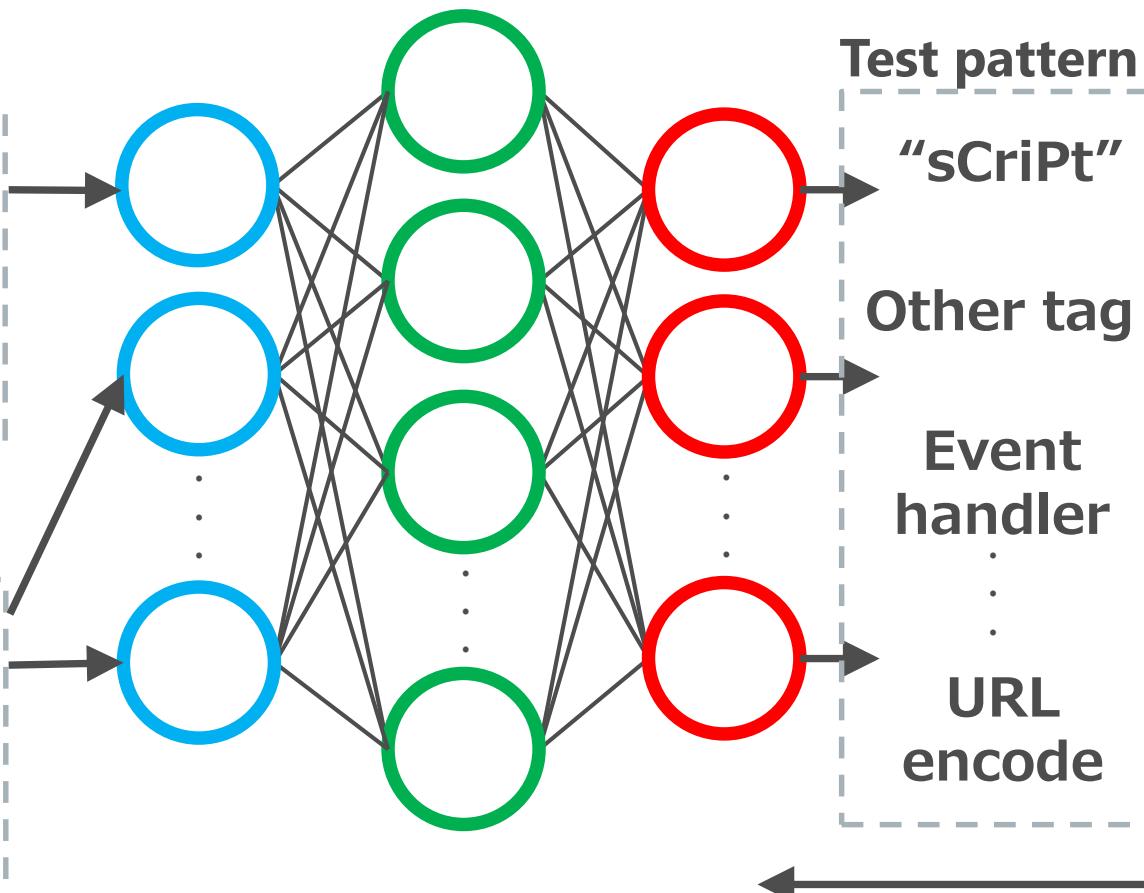
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
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weight

Patterns of Output point

Output point	Example
attribute value : 「」	<~value="xxx">
attribute value : 「'」	<~value='xxx'>
attribute value : noquote	<~value=xxx>
JavaScript	<script>xxx</script>
outside of HTML tags	<~>xxx</~>

Model to avoid sanitization

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

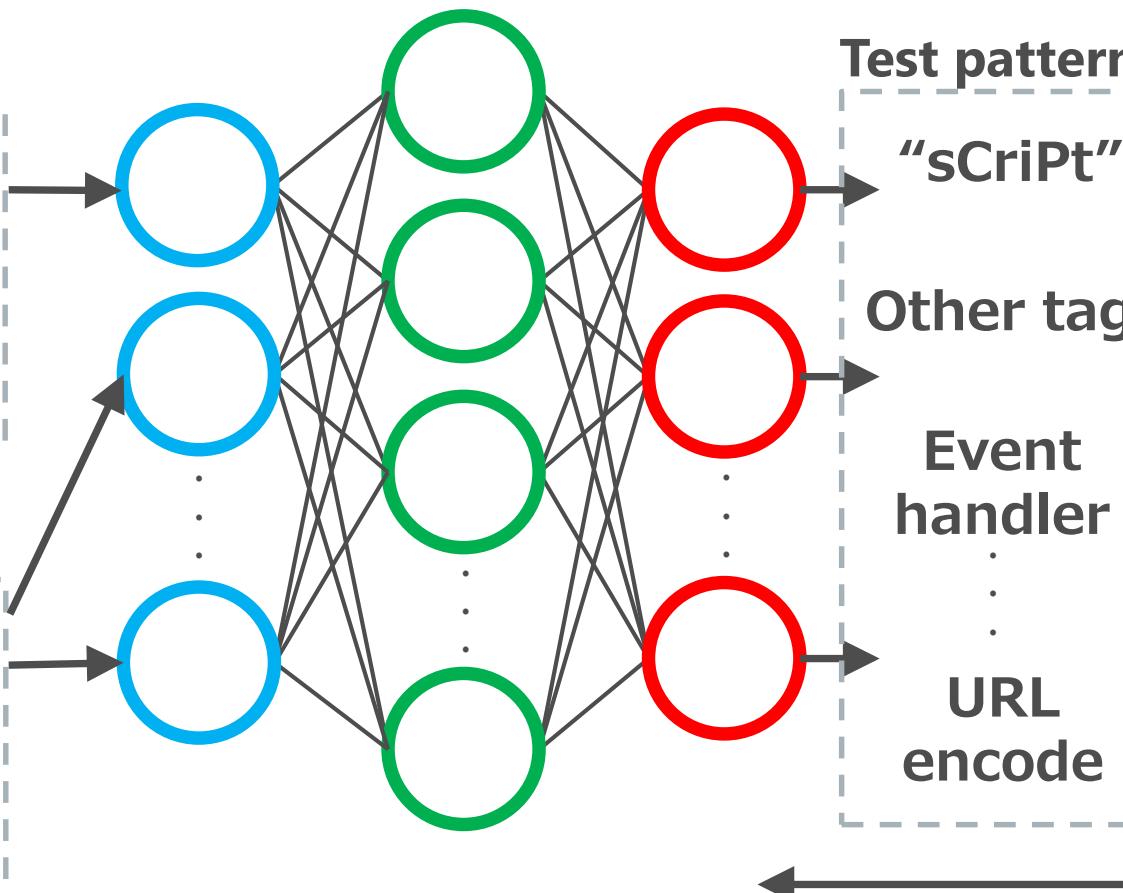
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

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Patterns of sanitization

Sanitization	Example
「"」 : translate entity reference, exclude	「"」 ⇒ 「"」
「'」 : translate entity reference, exclude	「'」 ⇒ 「'」
「<」 : translate entity reference, exclude	「<」 ⇒ 「<」
「>」 : translate entity reference, exclude	「>」 ⇒ 「>」
「alert();」 : exclude	「alert();」 ⇒ 「」

Model to avoid sanitization

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

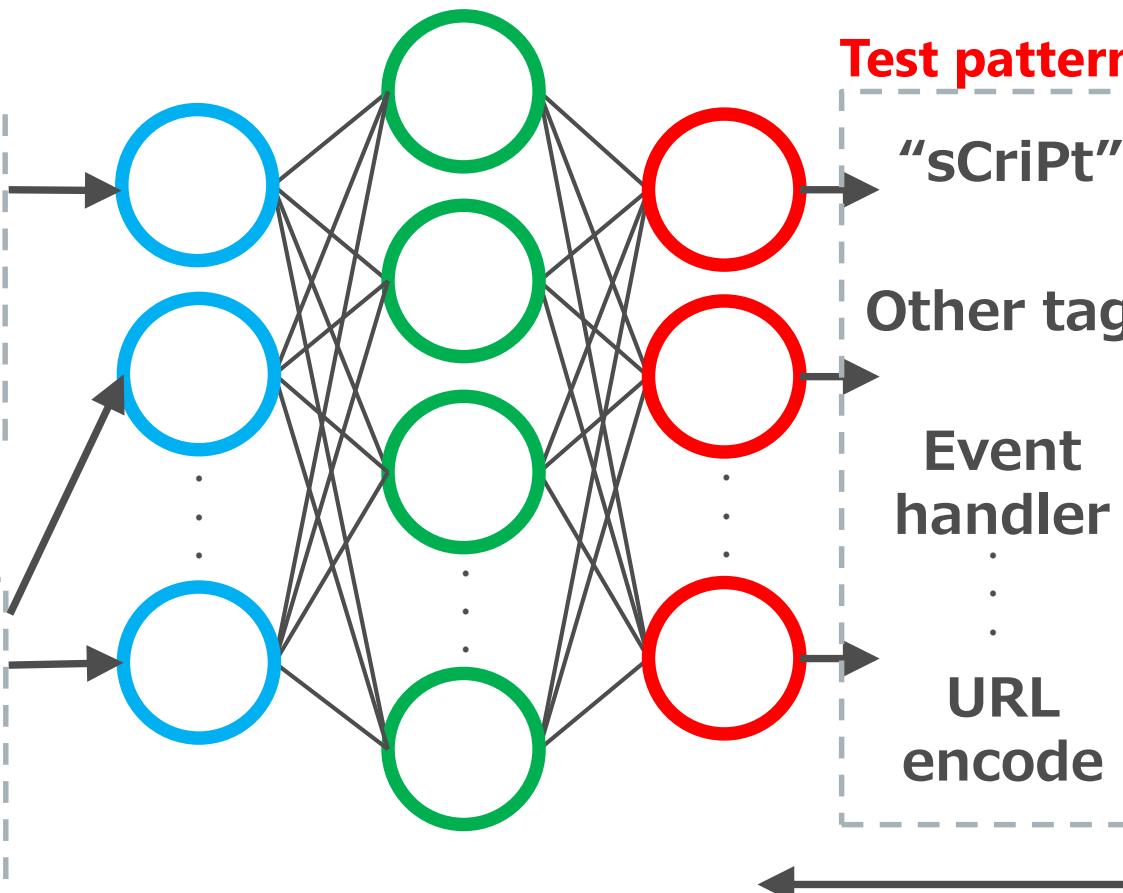
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
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weight

Test patterns (one example)

Output point	Test pattern
attribute value : 「"」 attribute value : 「'」 attribute value : noquote outside of HTML tags	"event handler "><sCriPt>xxx "><sCriPt>xxx <svg/onload=alert()> <sCriPt>xxx</sCriPt>
JavaScript	";alert()// [CR][LF]alert(); ¥";alert()//

Learning flow

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

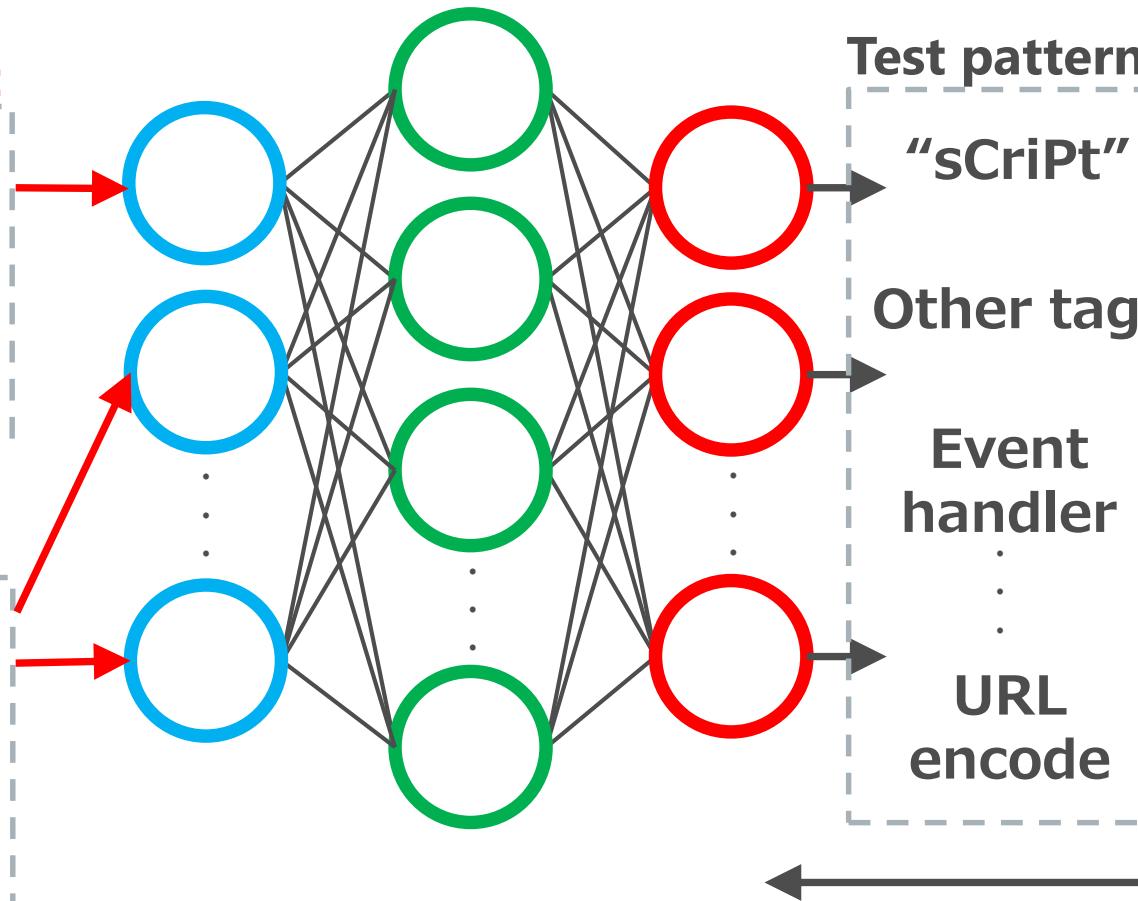
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Inputs "Output point" and "pattern of sanitization" to MLP.

Learning flow

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

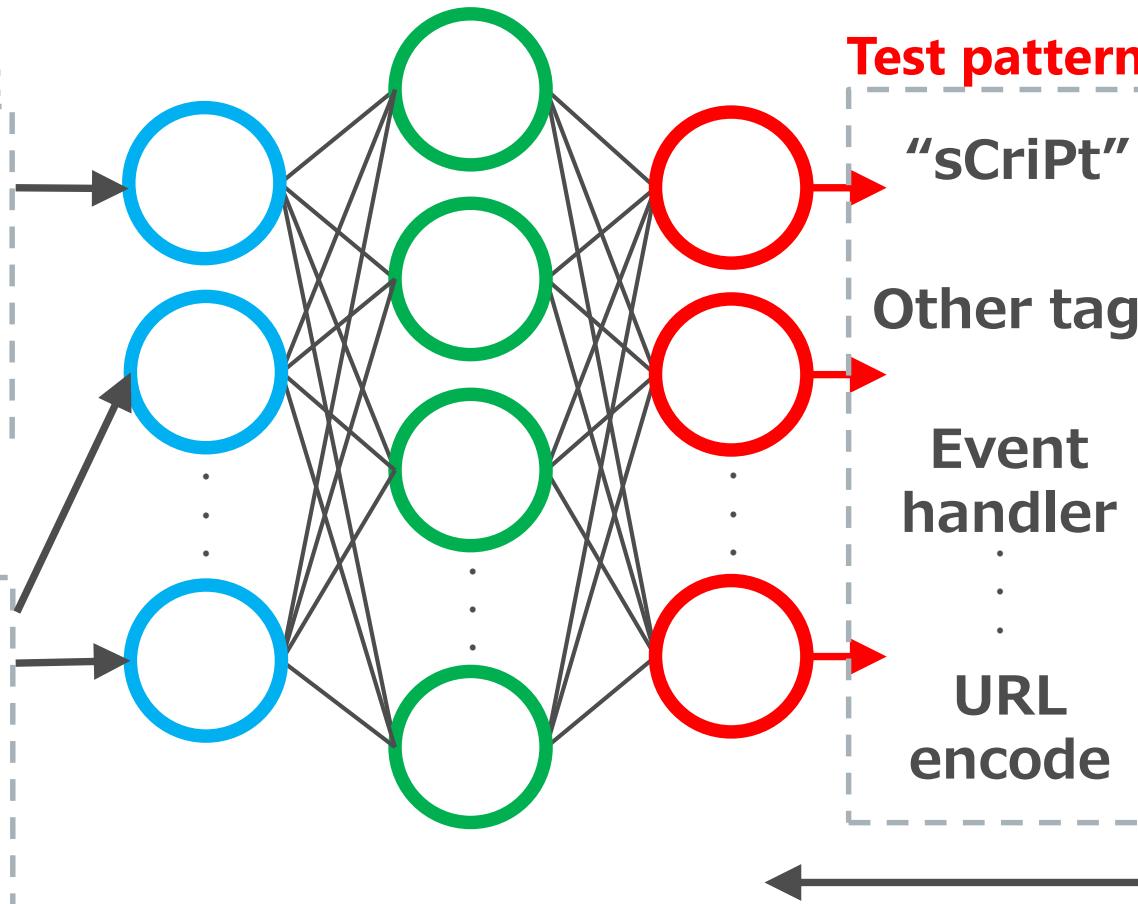
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Selects any test pattern from the input of MLP.

Learning flow

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

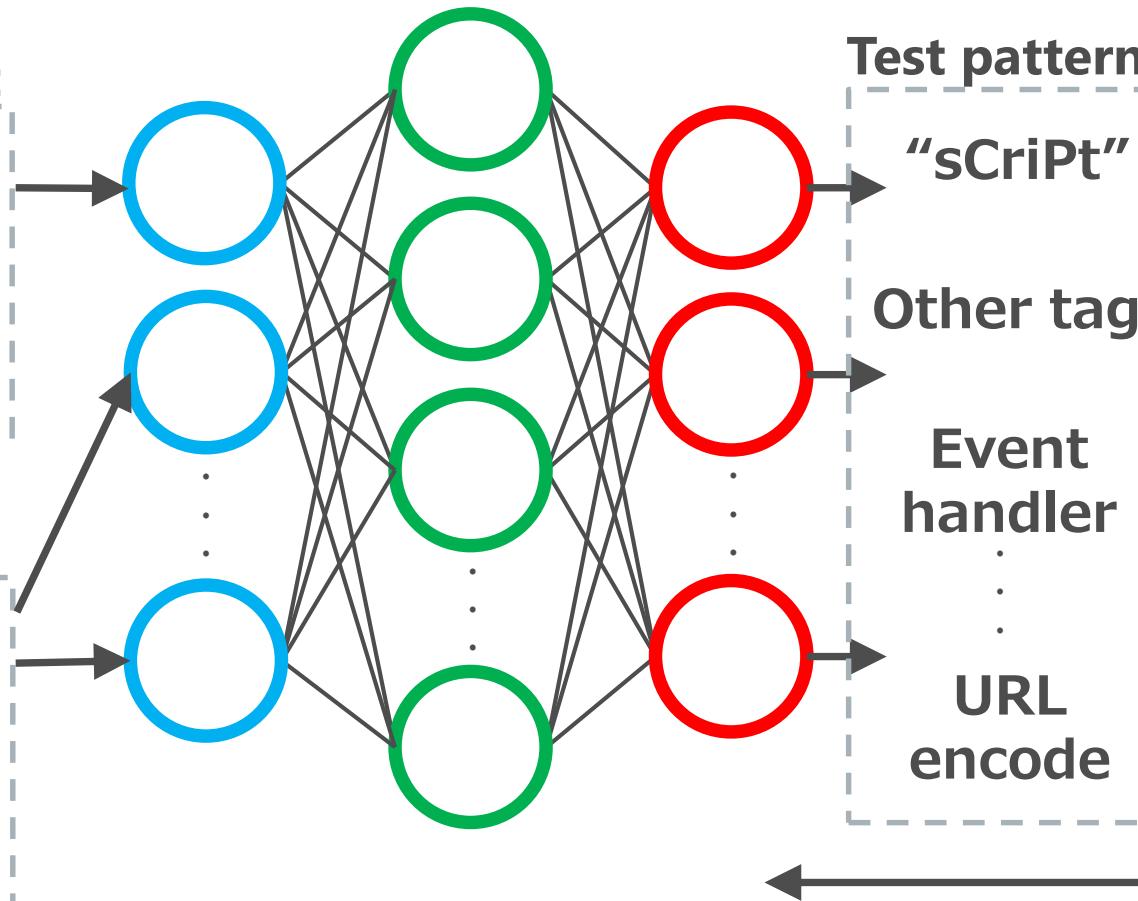
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Attempts to test using the selected test pattern of MLP.

Learning flow

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

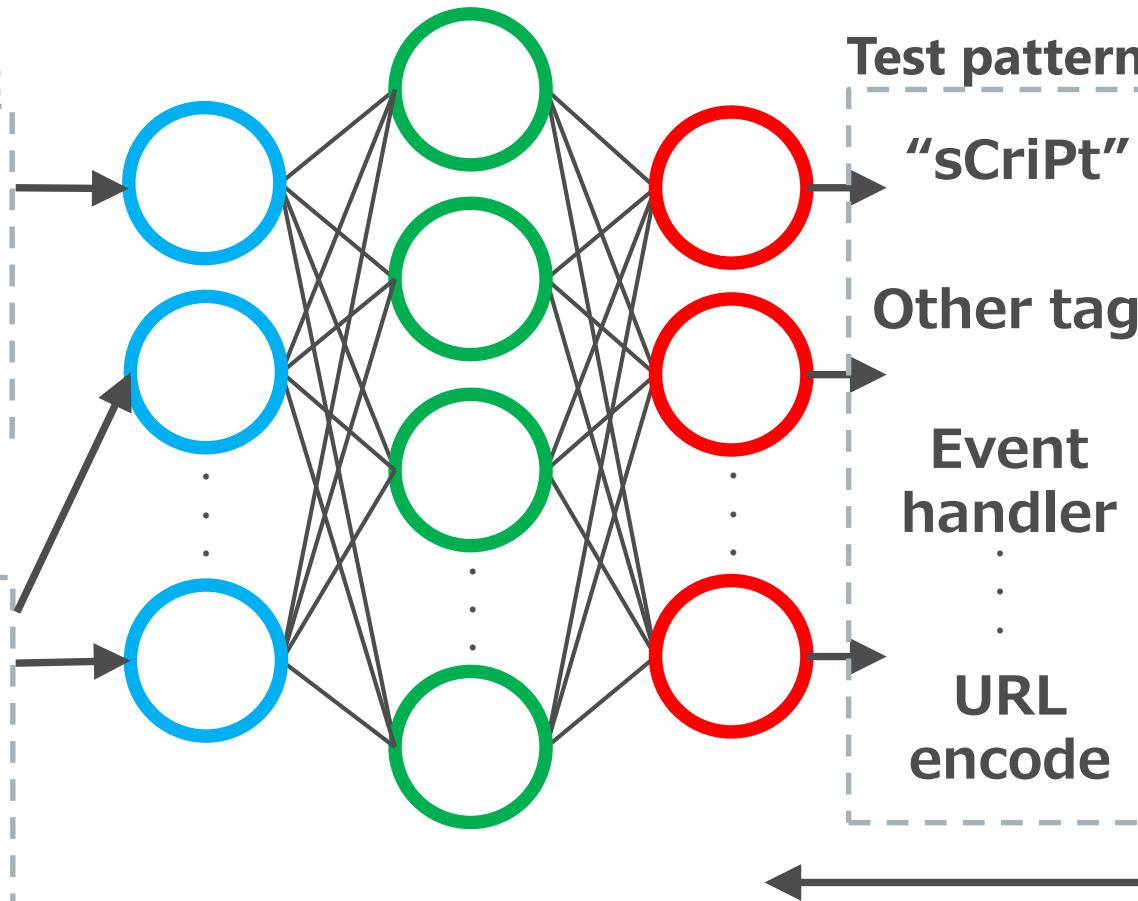
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Observe the result of the test.

Learning flow

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

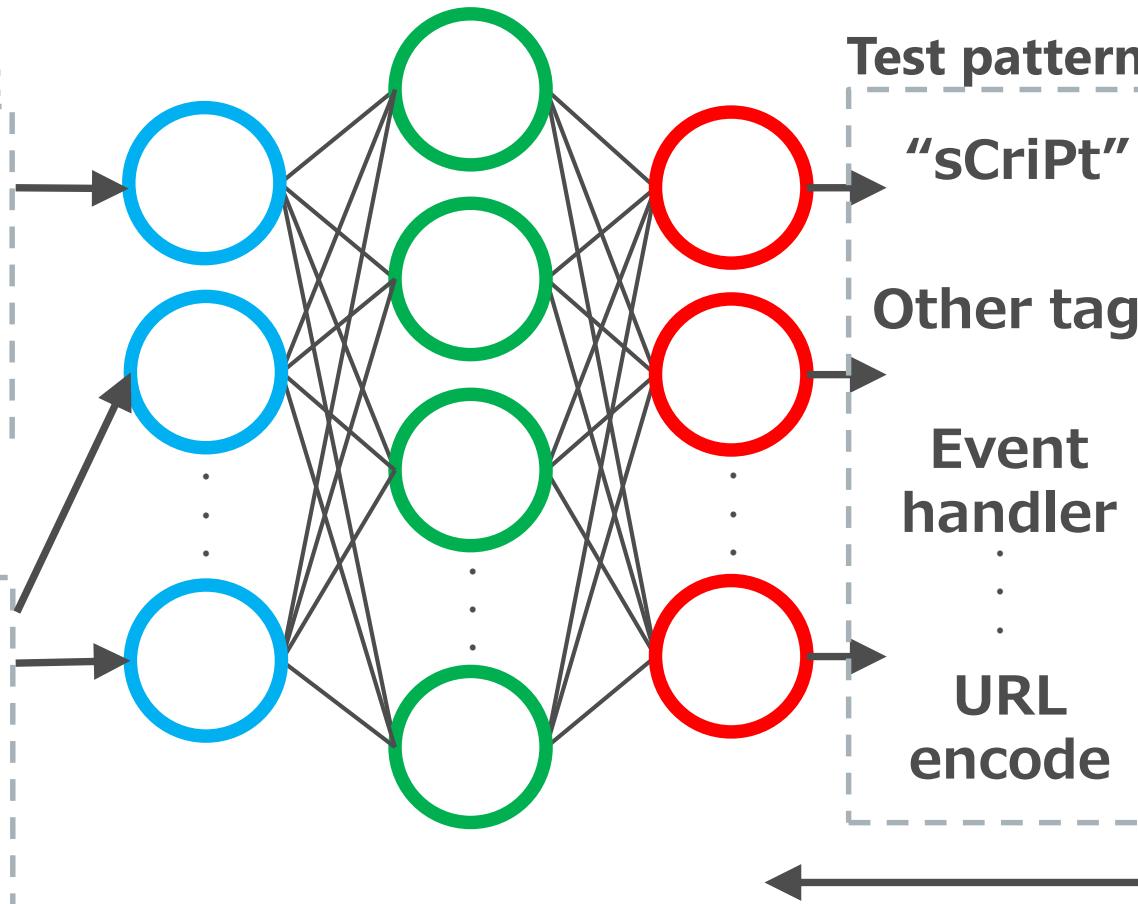
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Gives a reward depending on the result of the test.

Learning flow

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

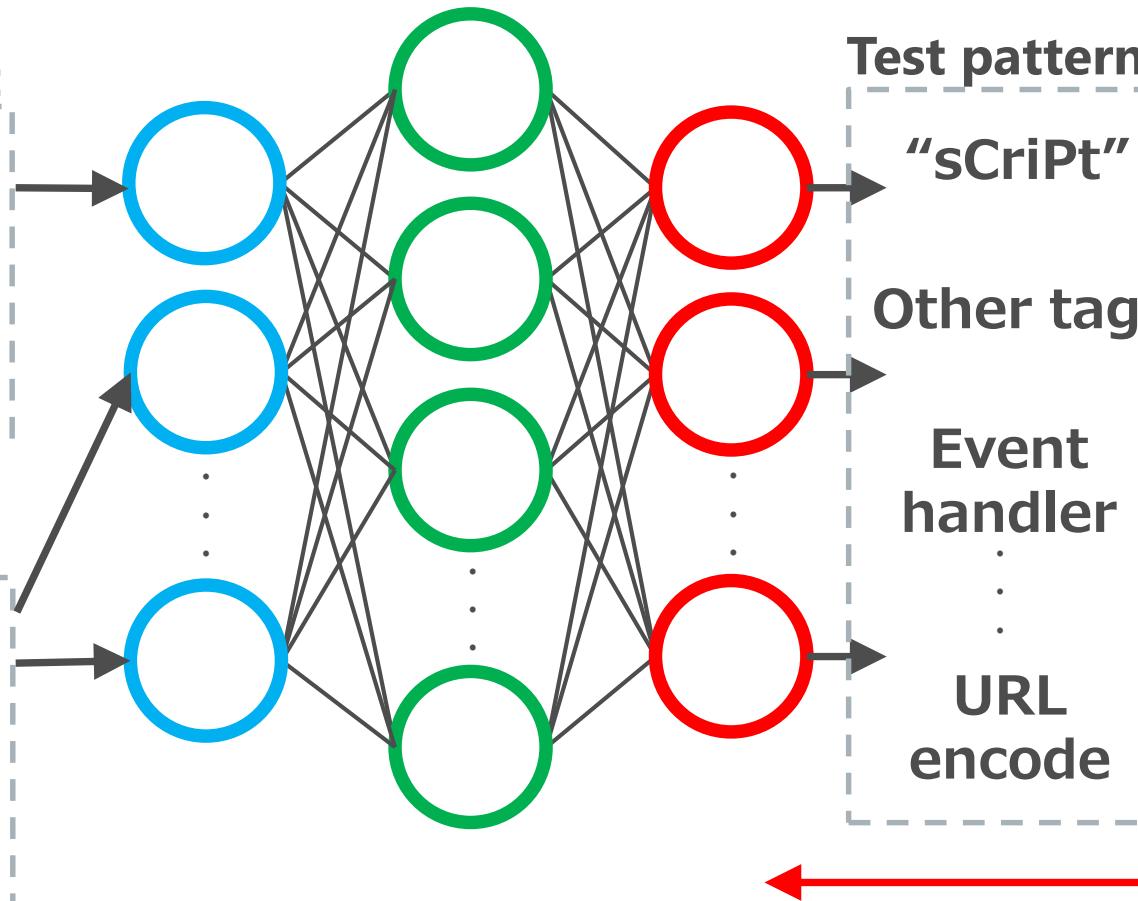
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Update the weight of MLP using backpropagation.

Learning flow.

MLP

Output point

attribute

JS

Out of tag

...

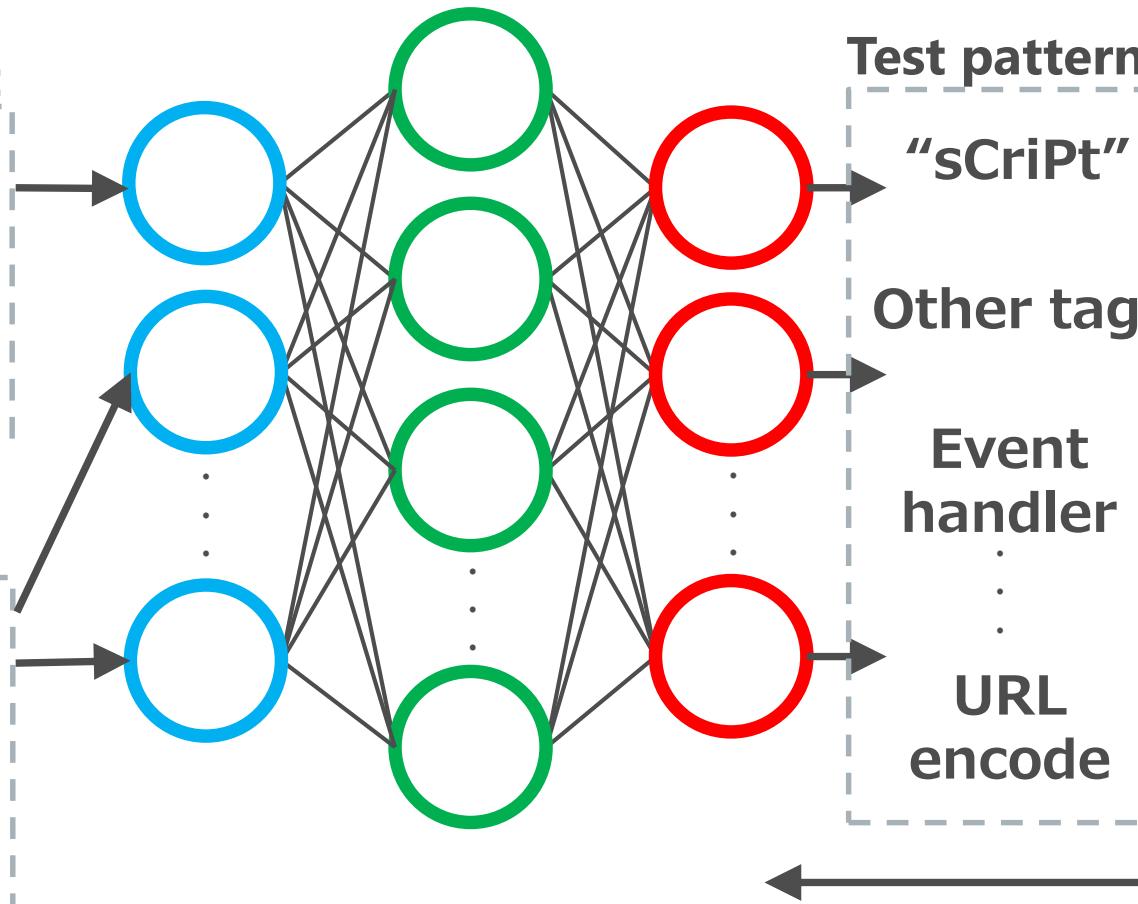
Sanitize

" => "

< => <

> => >

...



Q-Learning

observe
state

evaluate

update
weight

Learning is completed at **approx. 100 attempts.**

Problem

100 attempts ⇒ **Inefficient**

Pre-training.

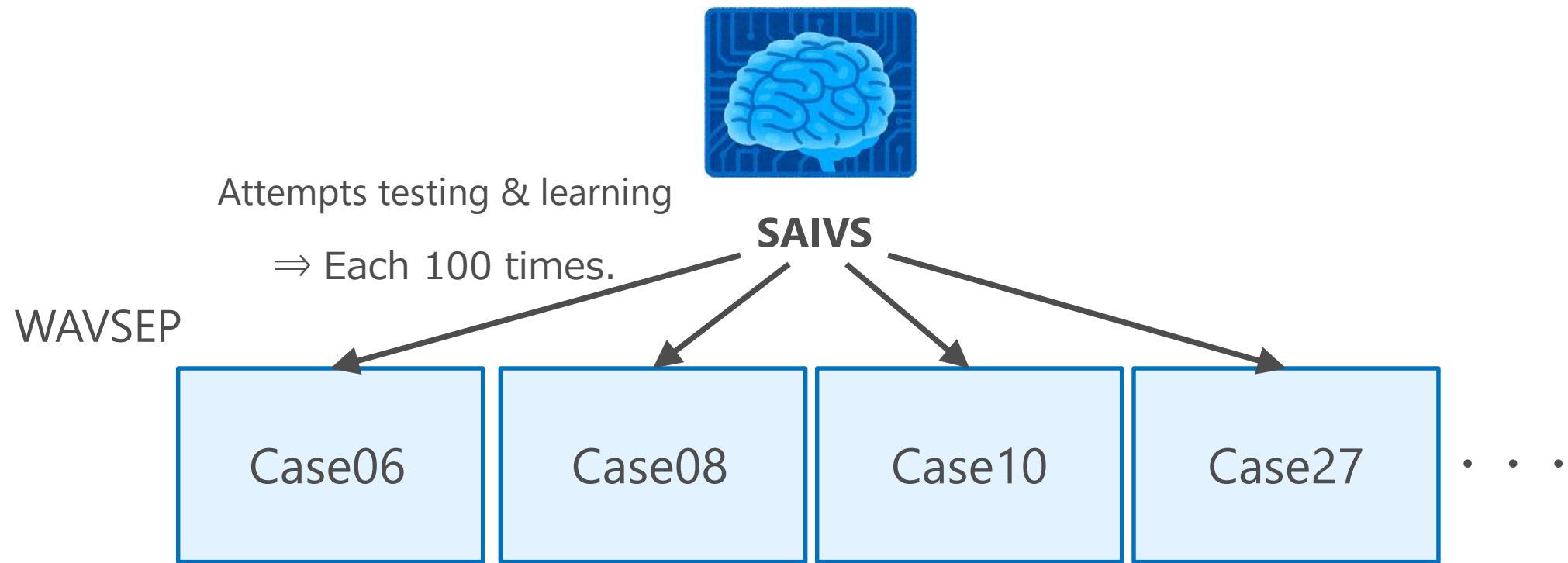
Web Apps for pre-training (one example) .

WAVSEP

ReflectedXSS GET Input Vector

Case06	output sanitize testing value	: SRC attr value of IMG tag. : < , > ⇒ < , > : "onmouseover=alert(3122);"
Case10	output sanitize testing value	: onClick value of SCRIPT tag. : " , < , > ⇒ " , < , > : ';alert(3122);//'
Case27	output sanitize testing value	: single line comment of JavaScript : comment out : [CR][LF]alert(3122);//

Training SAIVS



Achieve the best test string to avoid each sanitize pattern.

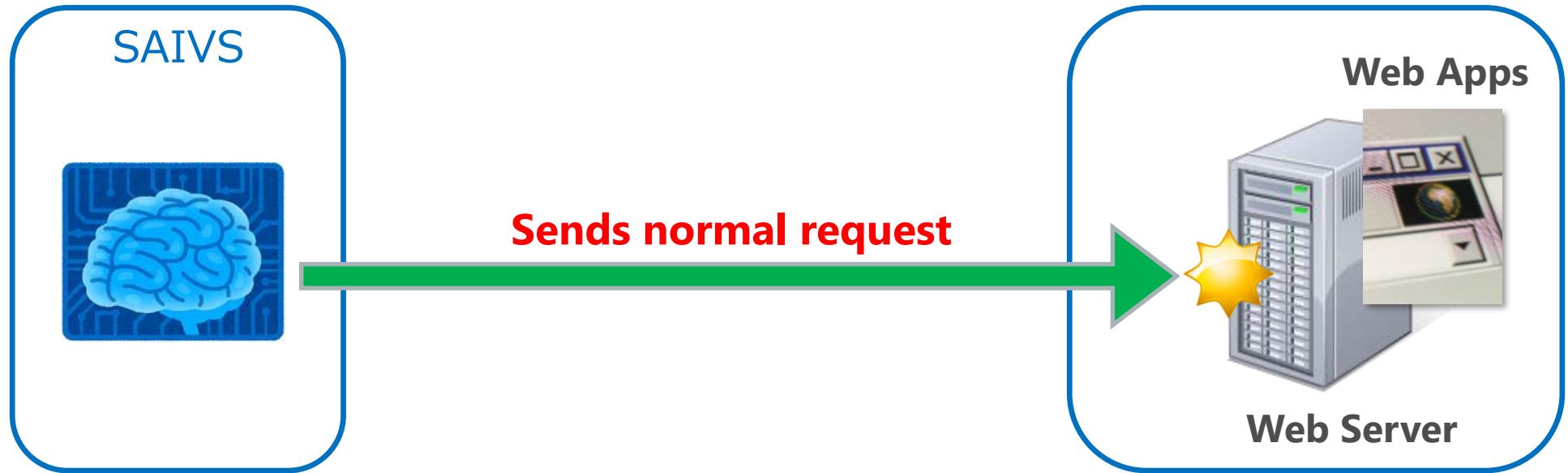
3 requirements for detecting RXSS

- Understanding HTML syntax (✓).
- Understanding JavaScript syntax (✓).
- Avoiding sanitization (✓).

Test flow of SAIVS

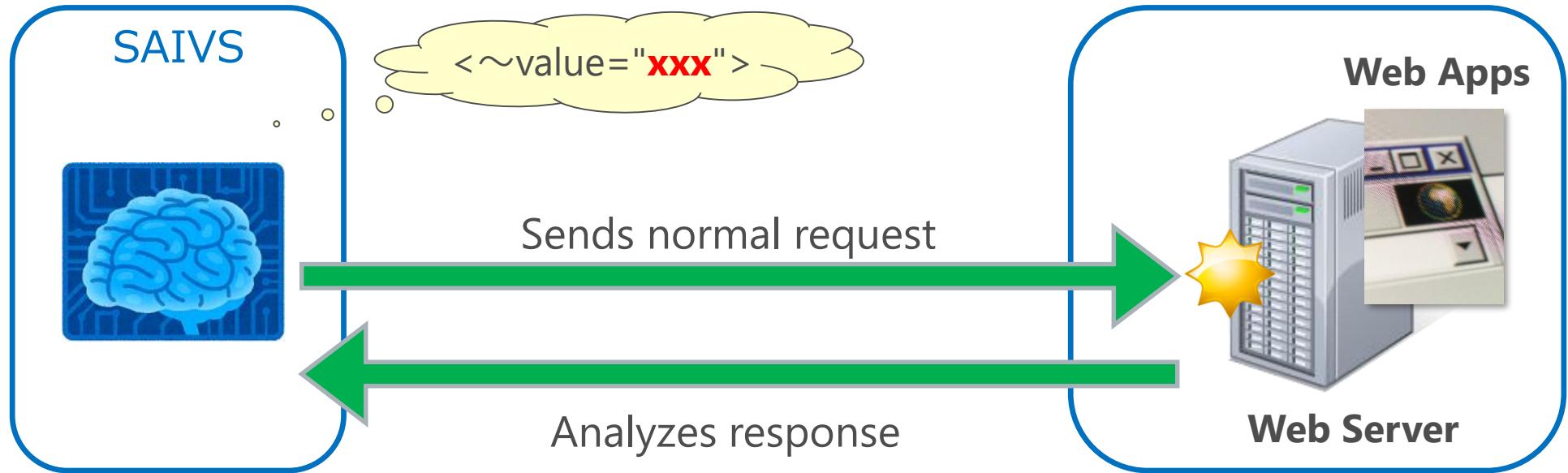
- Primary inspection.
- Secondary inspection.

Primary inspection



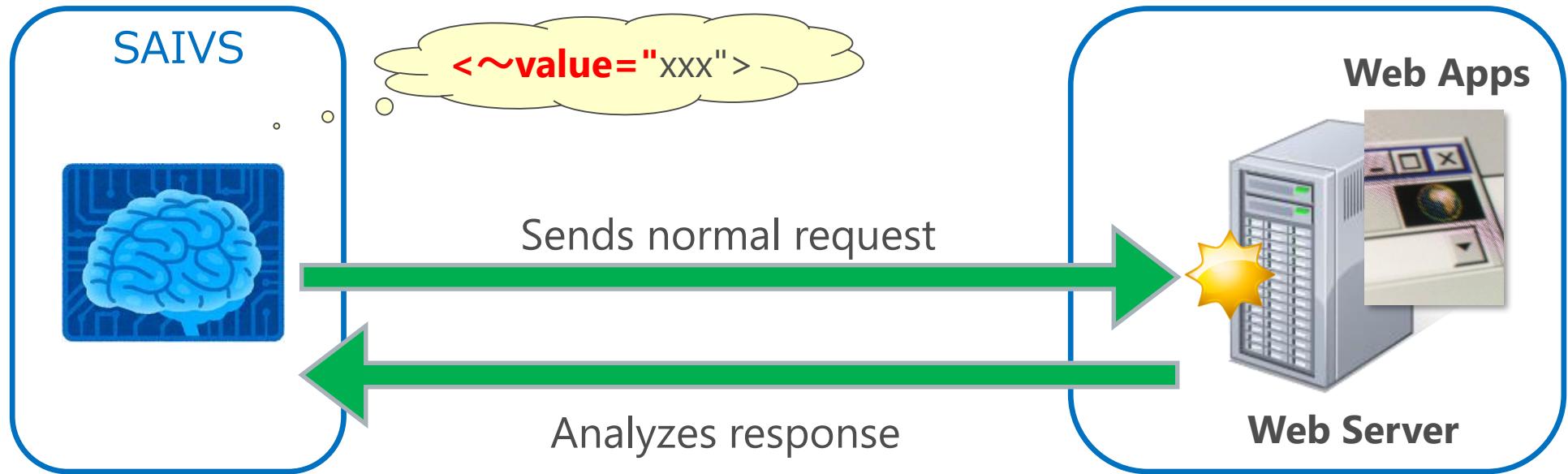
Sends normal request to **examine the output point.**

Primary inspection.



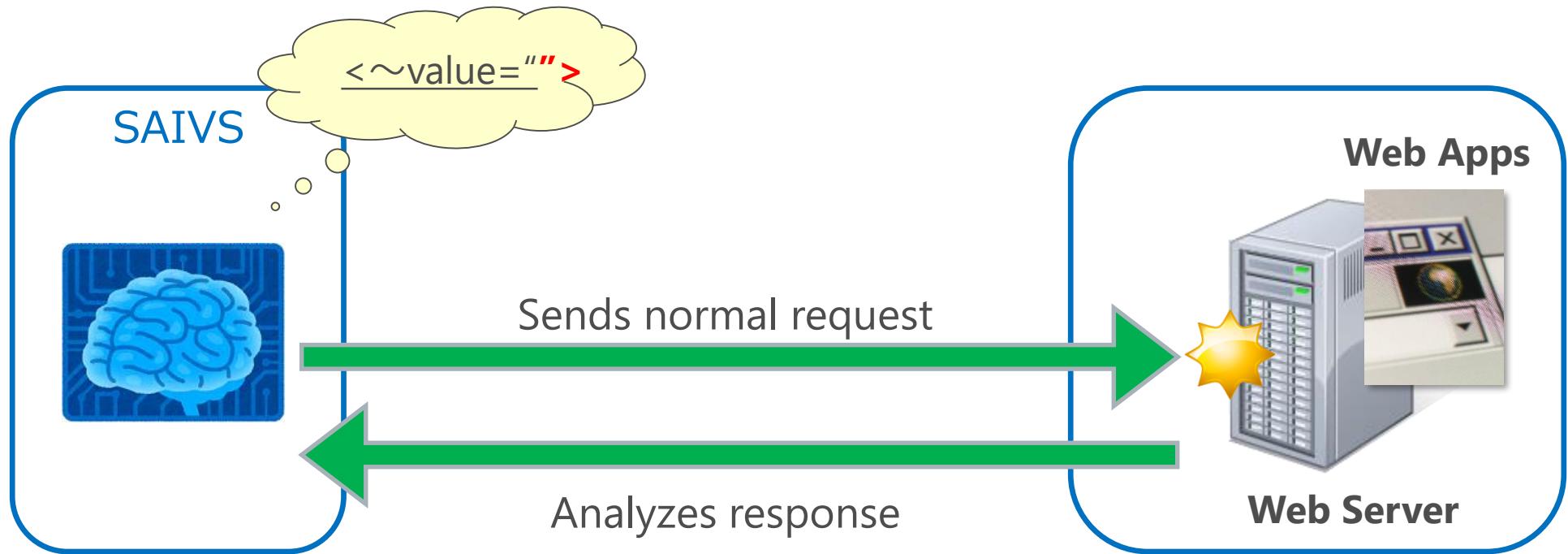
Recognizes the output point of the input value.

Primary inspection



Extracts the seed based on the output point.

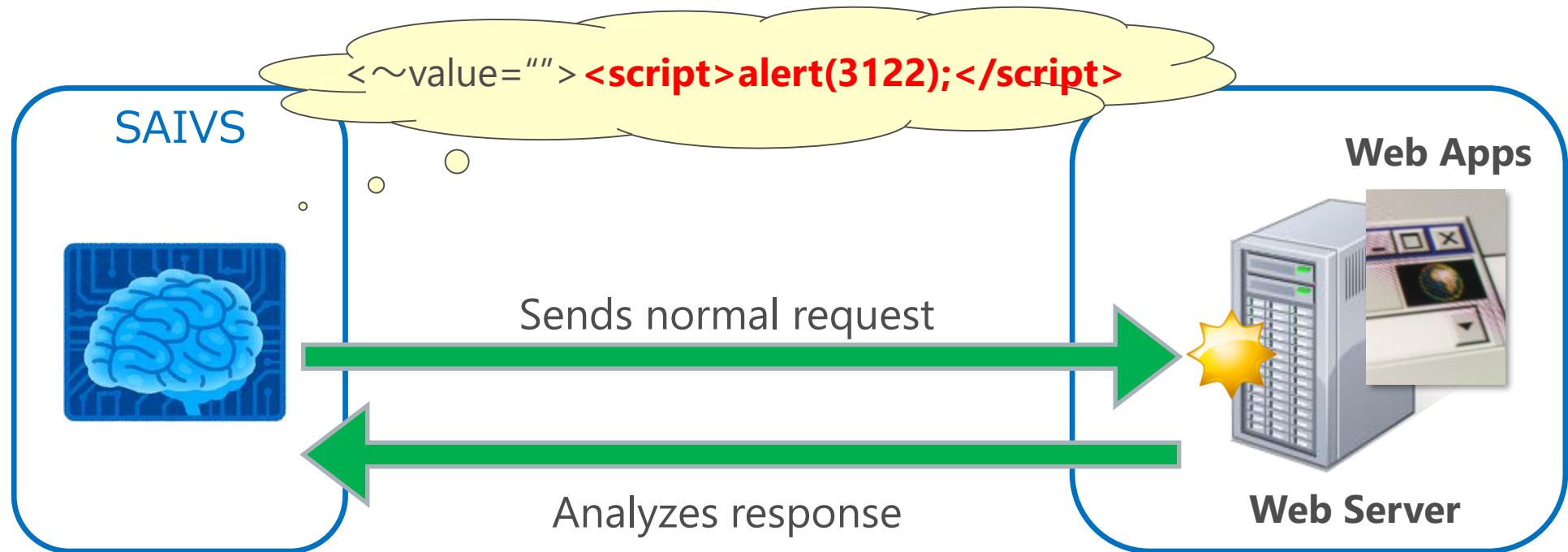
Primary inspection



Generates HTML / JavaScript syntax

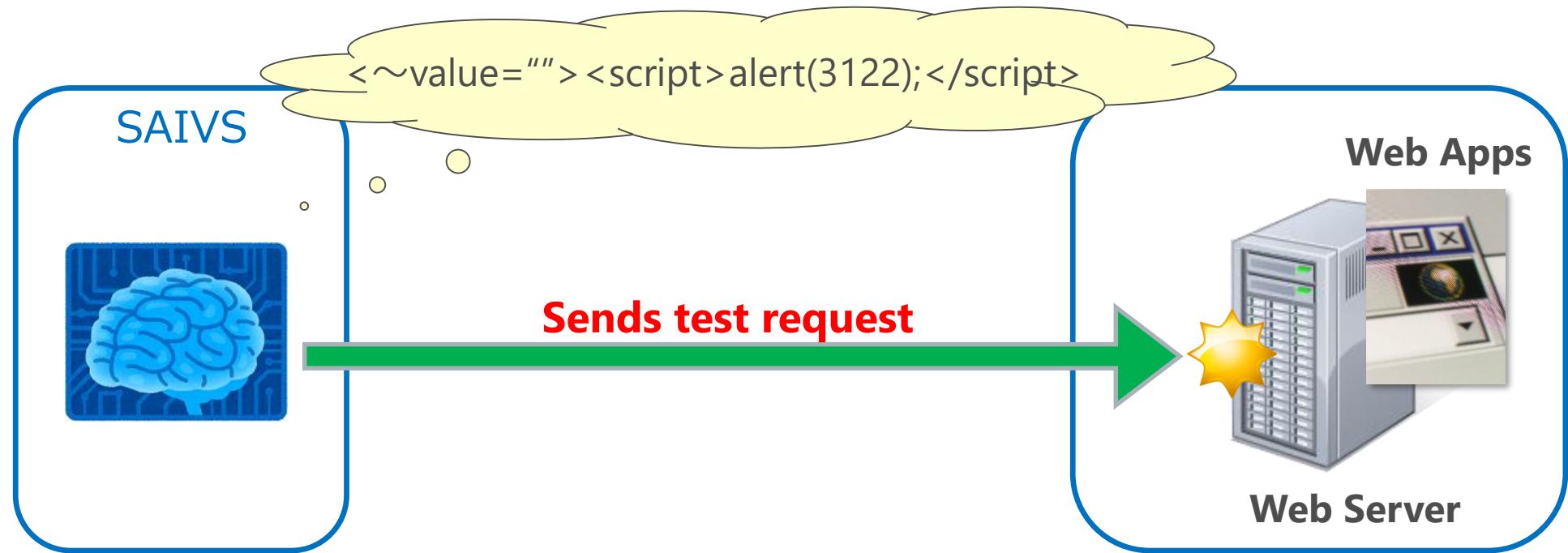
from the seed. (using learned LSTM)

Primary inspection



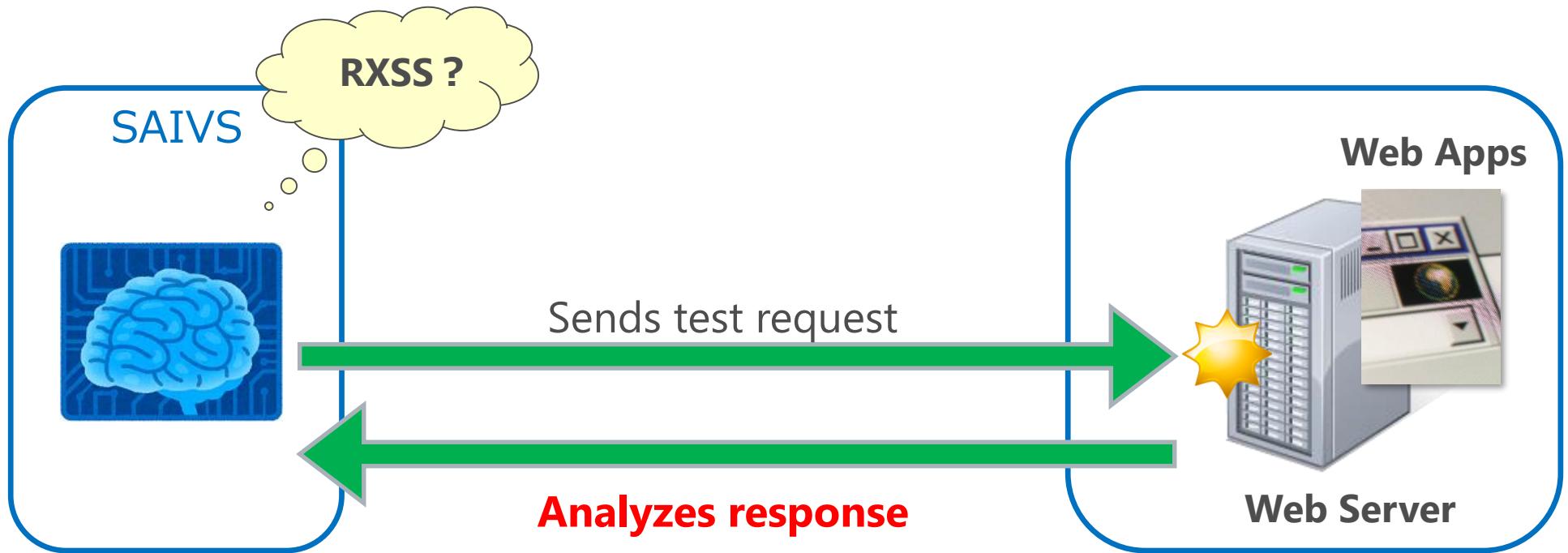
Adds the script to the generated HTML syntax.

Primary inspection



Sends test request to detect RXSS.

Primary inspection

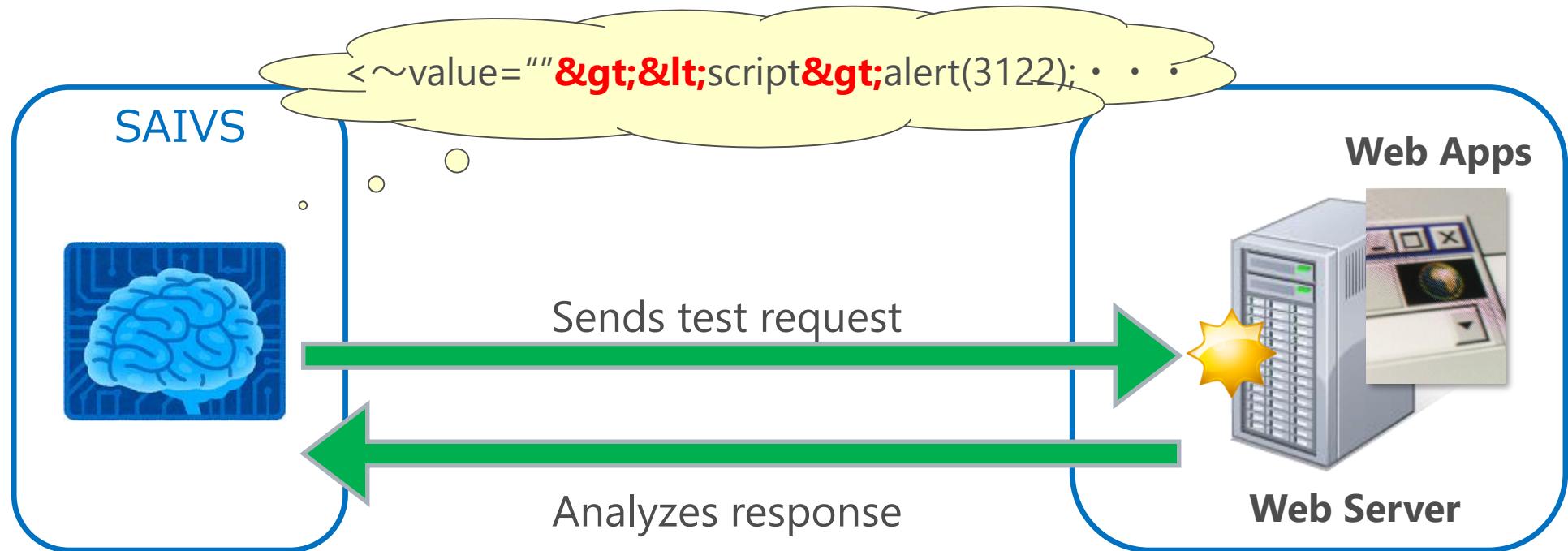


Determines the presence or absence of RXSS.

RXSS detected \Rightarrow Test finishes.

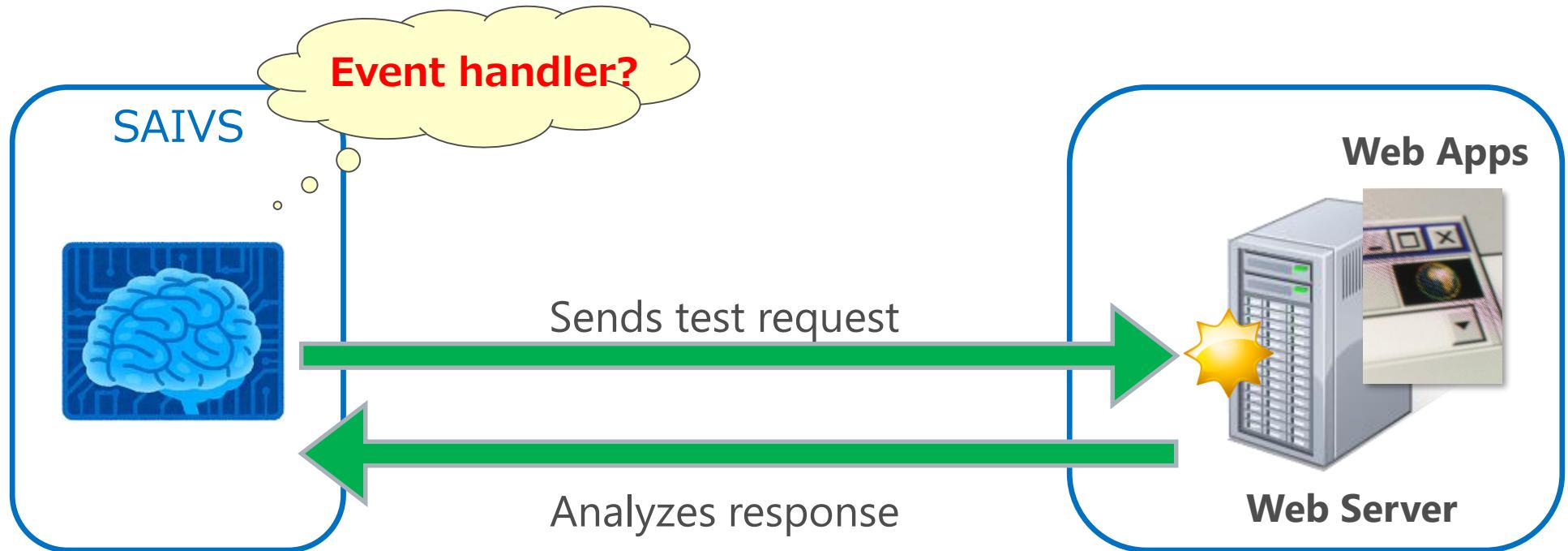
Not detected \Rightarrow Secondary inspection.

Secondary inspection



Recognizes the sanitizing pattern.

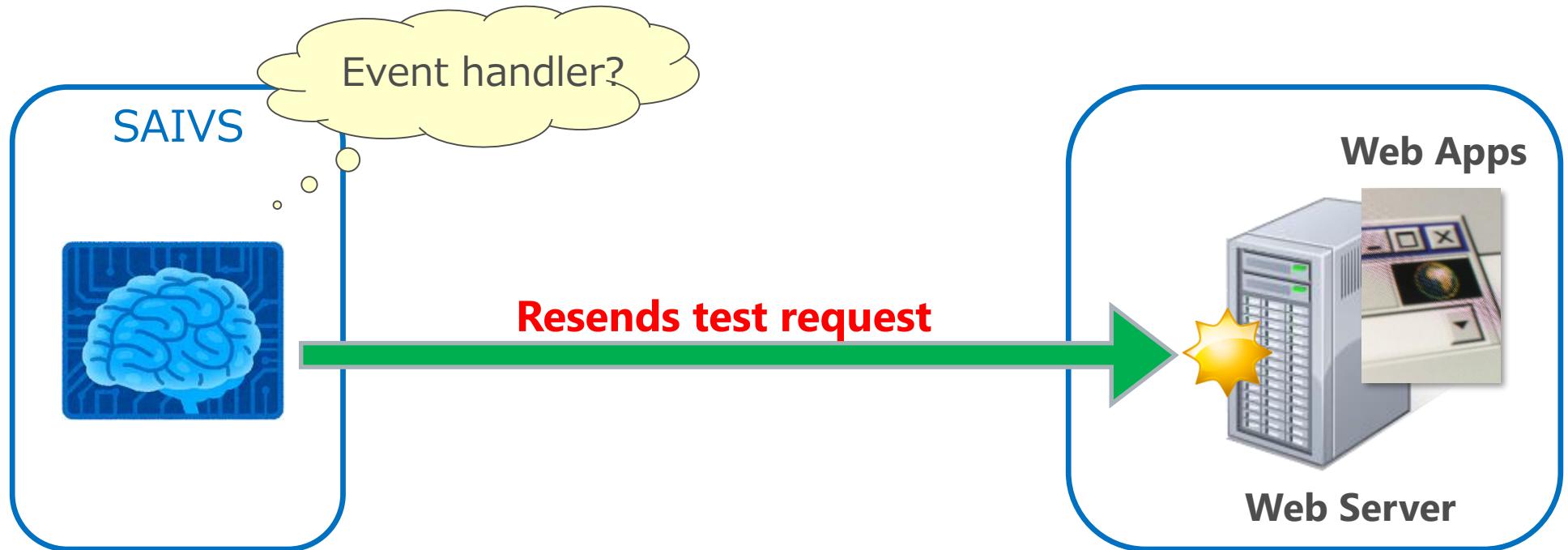
Secondary inspection



Selects the test pattern to **avoid sanitization**.

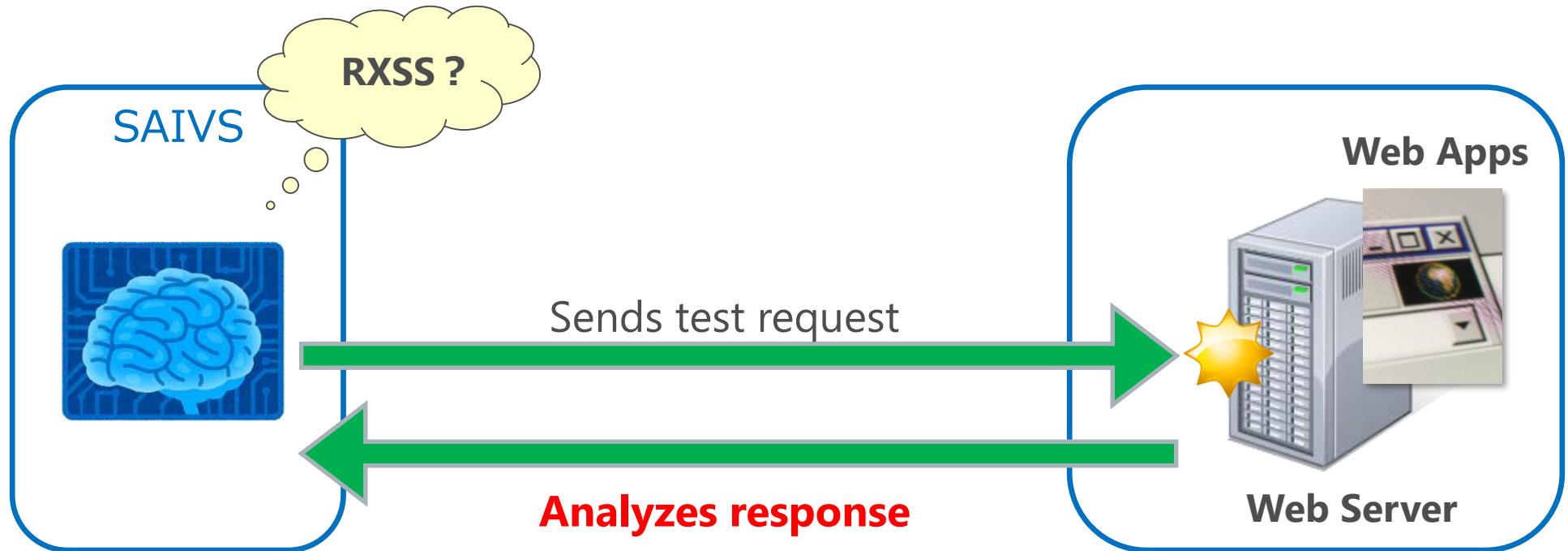
(Using learned MLP)

Secondary inspection



Sends the test request to **avoid sanitization.**

Secondary inspection



Determines presence or absence of RXSS.

RXSS detected \Rightarrow Test finishes.

Not detected \Rightarrow Repeat secondary inspection.

Demonstration of detecting RXSS

Target : **webseclab**

Case	Overview
/reflect/full1	output : BODY tag sanitize : none
/reflect/textarea1	output : TEXTAREA tag sanitize : none
/reflect/onmouseover	output : attribute value of INPUT tag sanitize : exclude "</script>"
/reflect/js4_dq	output : SCRIPT tag sanitize : none

Demonstration of detecting RXSS

Target : **webseclab**

Case	Overview
/reflect/full1	output : BODY tag sanitize : none
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/reflect/js4_dq	output : SCRIPT tag sanitize : none

Case1 : Sending normal request

http://xxx/reflect/full1?in=saivs12345

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>Full Javascript  
Injection (full.1)</title></head><body>  
Hello!<BR>  
The value of cgi parameter "in"  
is:saivs12345  
</body></html>
```

output : BODY tag

sanitize : None

Case1 : Sending test request

http://xxx/reflect/full1?in=lasther="%3E%3C/form%3ED0i7Q%22VW
53N'nT7t0%3Cscript%3Ealert(3122);kc5i3%3C/script%3EueFj8

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>Full Javascript  
Injection (full.1)</title></head><body>  
Hello!<BR>  
The value of cgi parameter "in" is:  
lasther=' '></form>D0i7Q"VW53N'nT7t0<script>alert(3122)  
;kc5i3</script>ueFj8  
</body></html>
```

attempted times : 1

Case1 : Demo movie

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3RkhSED5DQU>

Demonstration of detecting RXSS

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Case	Overview
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/reflect/onmouseover	output : attribute value of INPUT tag sanitize : exclude "</script>"
/reflect/js4_dq	output : SCRIPT tag sanitize : none

Case2 : Sending normal request

http://xxx/reflect/textarea1?in=saivs12345

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>Reflected XSS in  
textarea (textarea1)</title></head><body>  
<H2>Textarea injection test</H2>  
<p>  
<FORM>  
<textarea name="in" rows="5" cols="60">saivs12345  
</textarea>  
<p>
```

output : TEXTAREA tag

sanitize : None

Case2 : Sending test request

http://xxx/reflect/textarea1?in=%3Ctextarea%3E7Q7pN%22MBPcc' PA6tz%3Cscript%3Ealert(3122);WKr8J%3Cscript%3EfowCP

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>Reflected XSS in  
textarea (textarea1)</title></head><body>  
<H2>Textarea injection test</H2>  
<p>  
<FORM>  
<textarea name="in" rows="5" cols="60"></textarea>7Q7p  
N"MBPcc' PA6tz<script>alert(3122);WKr8J</script>fowCP</  
textarea>  
<p>
```

attempted times : 1

Case2 : Demo movie

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6UHbMGdqr_0

Demonstration of detecting RXSS

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Case	Overview
/reflect/full1	output : BODY tag sanitize : none
/reflect/textarea1	output : TEXTAREA tag sanitize : none
/reflect/onmouseover	output : attribute value of INPUT tag sanitize : exclude "</script>"
/reflect/js4_dq	output : SCRIPT tag sanitize : none

Case 3 : Sending normal request

http://xxx/xss/reflect/onmouseover?in="<script>alert()</script>

```
<!doctype html><html>
<head><title>Reflected XSS - attribute injection in ta
gs (dq.2)</title></head><body>
<H2>Update Your Preferences</H2><p>
<FORM>
Homepage: <input value=""><script>alert()</script>" name="in" s
ize="40"><BR>
```

output : INPUT tag

sanitize : exclude "</script>"

Case 3 : Sending test request.

http://xxx/xss/reflect/onmouseover?in=%22%3E%3C option%3E%3C
Option%20s%20onmouseover=alert(3122);//

```
<!doctype html><html>
<head><title>Reflected XSS - attribute injection in
tags (dq.2)</title></head><body>
<H2>Update Your Preferences</H2><p>
<FORM>
Homepage: <input value=""> <option s onmouseover=alert
(3122);//" name="in" size="40"><BR>
```

attempted times : 3

Case 3 : Demo movie

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-r3C1moUVqU>

Demonstration of detecting RXSS

Target : **webseclab**

Case	Overview
/reflect/full1	output : BODY tag sanitize : none
/reflect/textarea1	output : TEXTAREA tag sanitize : none
/reflect/onmouseover	output : attribute value of INPUT tag sanitize : exclude "</script>"
/reflect/js4_dq	output : SCRIPT tag sanitize : none

Case 4 : Sending normal request

http://xxx/xss/reflect/js4_dq?in=saivs12345

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>JavaScript and  
double-quote injection in JS block (js.4)</title>  
</head><body>  
<script language="javascript">  
var f = {  
    date: "",  
    week: "1",  
    bad: "saivs12345",  
    phase: "2",  
}
```

output : SCRIPT tag

sanitize : None

Case 4 : Sending test request

```
<!doctype html><html><head><title>JavaScript and  
double-quote injection in JS block (js.4)</title>  
</head><body>  
<script language="javascript">  
var f = {  
    date: "",  
    week: "1",  
    bad: "6",  
skuI;alert(3122);//1VU7k,  
    phase: "2",  
</script>
```

attempted times : 1

Case 4 : Demo movie

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pf2lSB25C3M>

Abilities of SAIVS

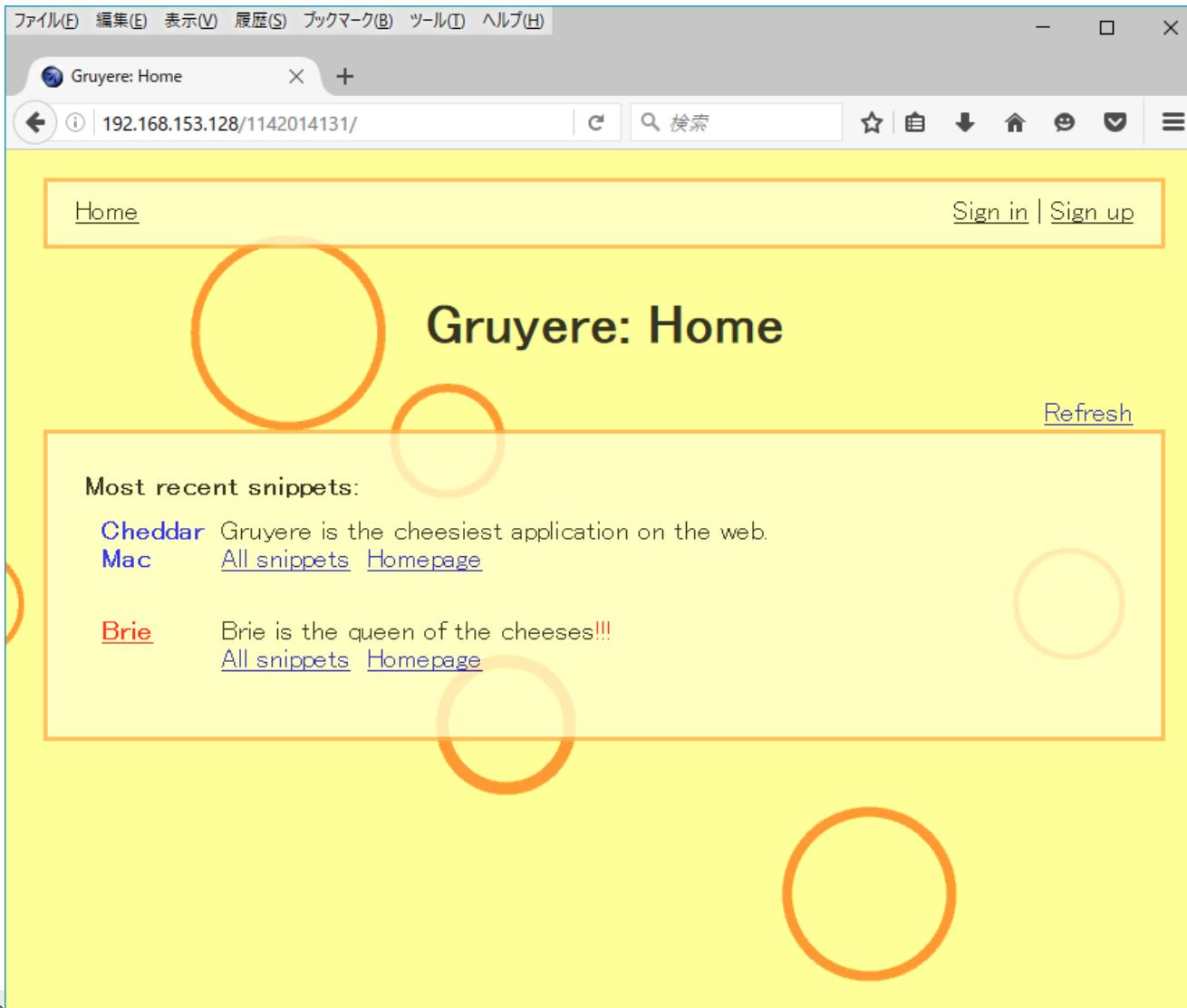
- Crawls web apps. (✓)
- Detects vulnerabilities. (✓)

“Detect RXSS while crawling web apps.”

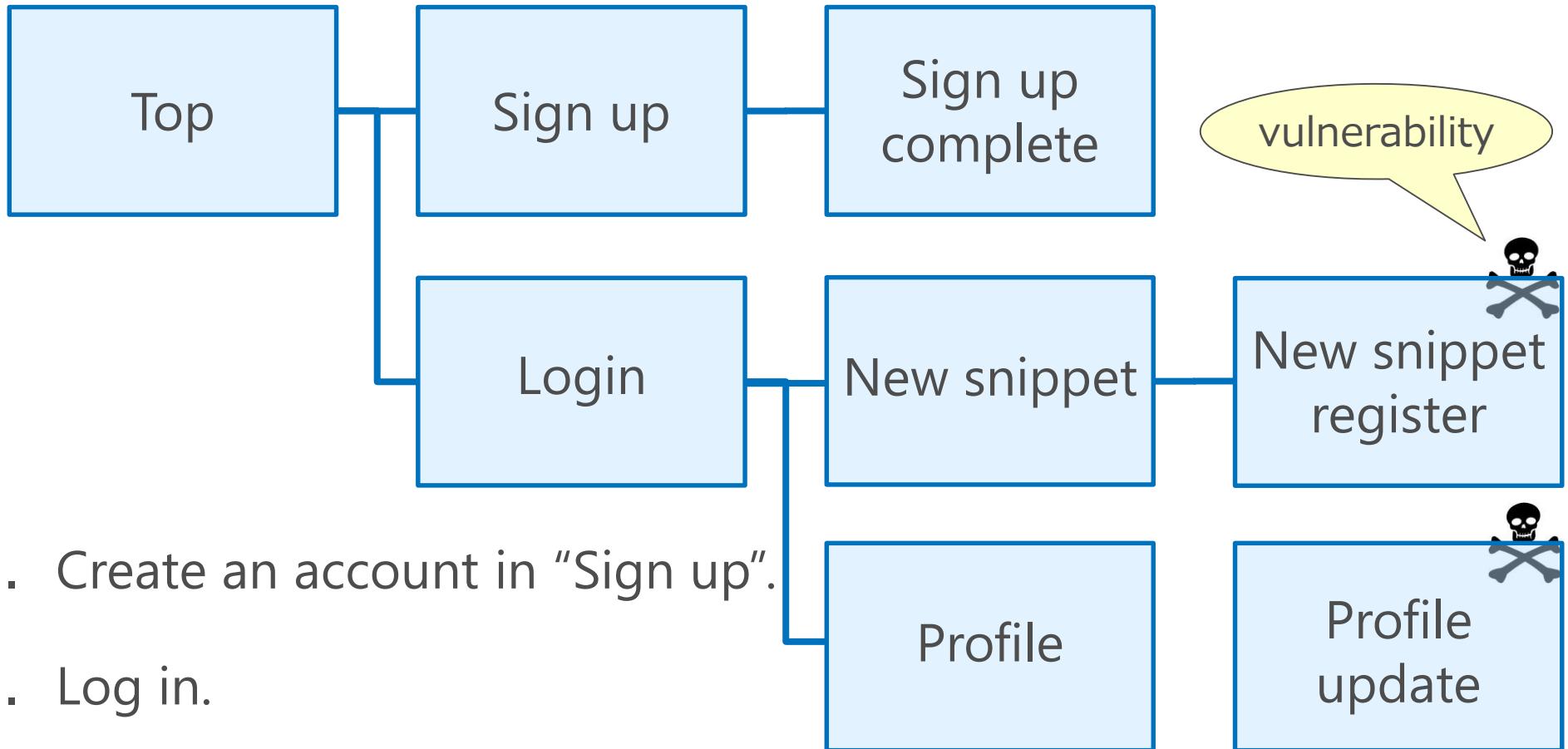
Realized fully automatically.

Demonstration of SAIVS

Target : OWASP Broken Web Apps **Google Gruyere**

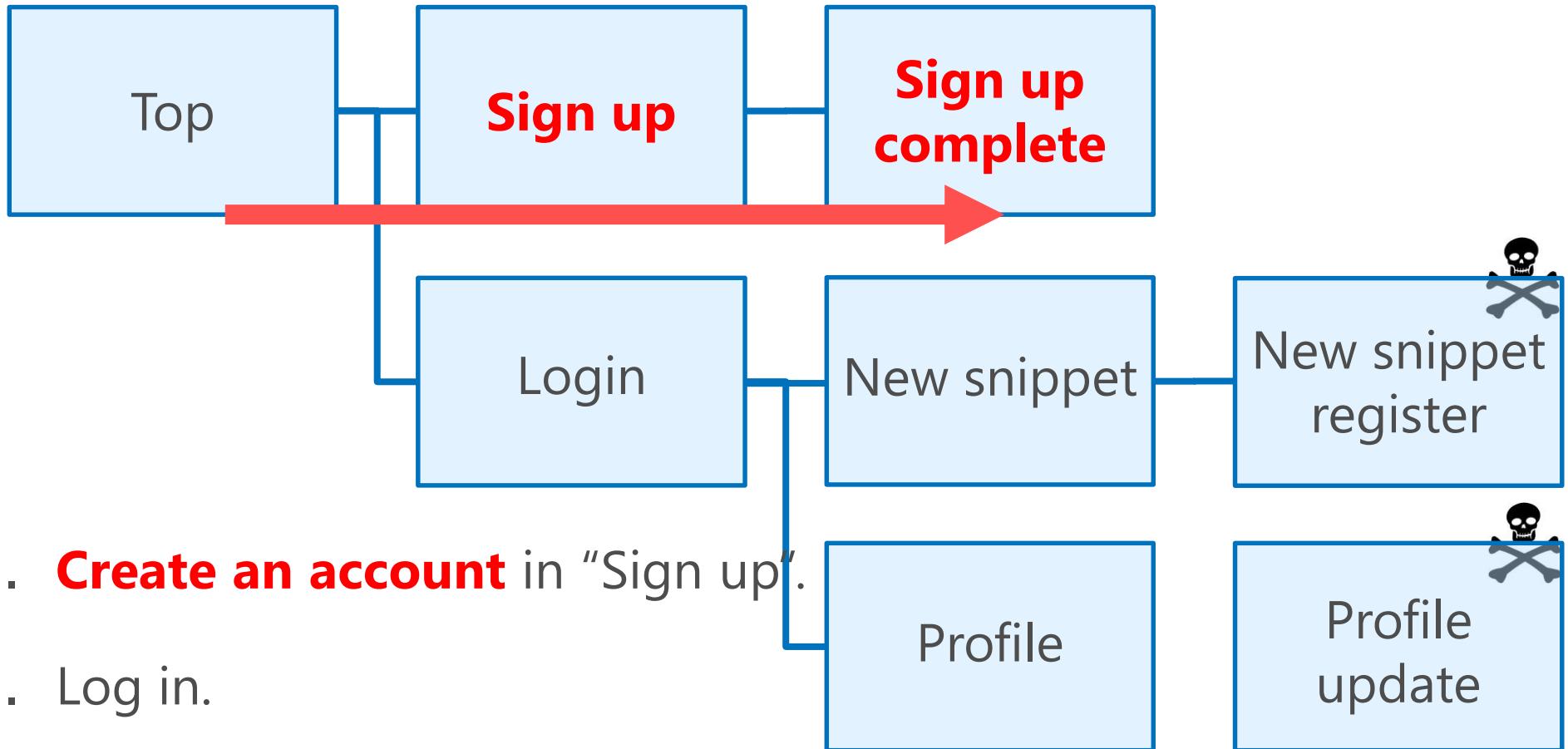


Demonstration of SAIVS



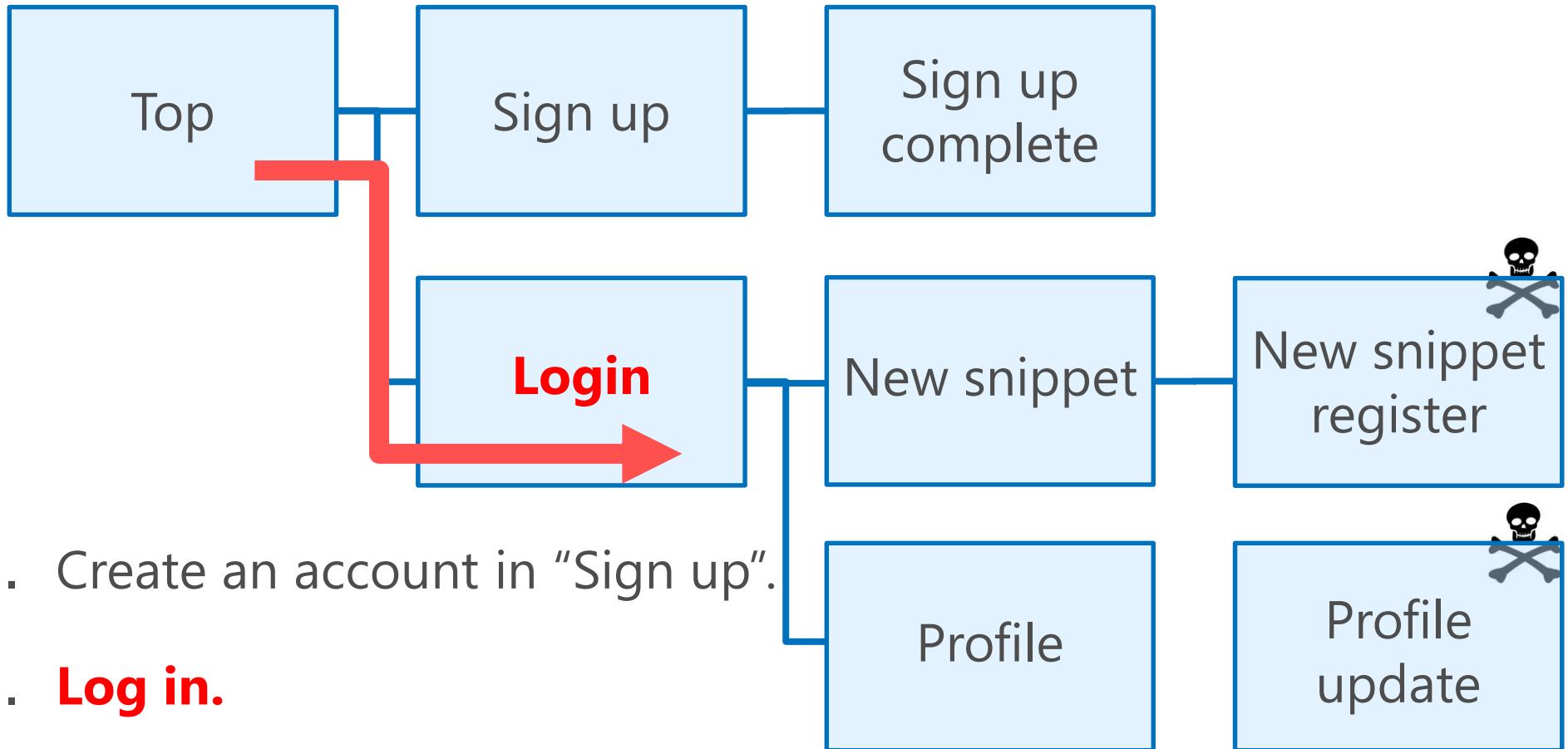
1. Create an account in "Sign up".
2. Log in.
3. Register Snippet.
4. Update Profile.

Demonstration of SAIVS



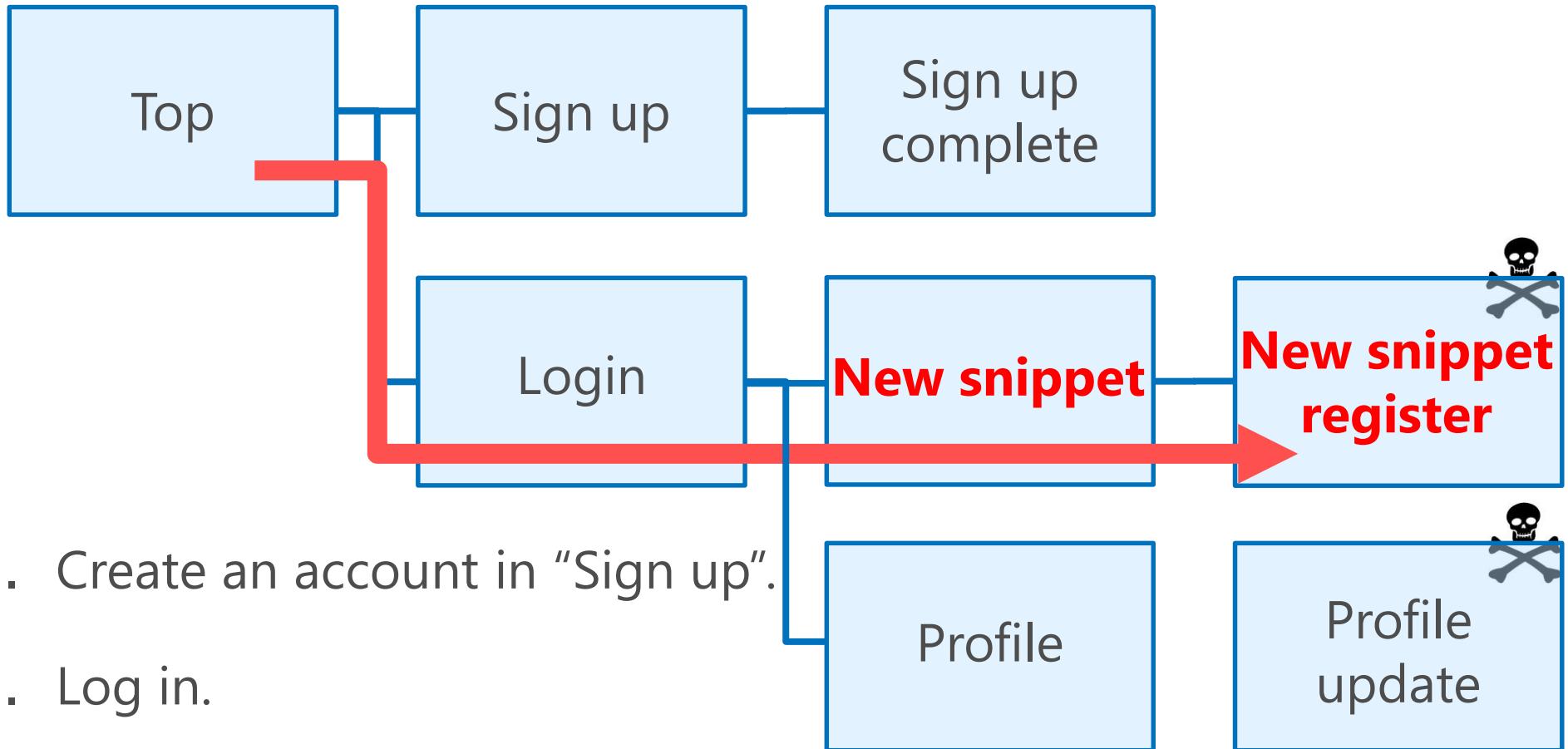
1. **Create an account** in "Sign up".
2. Log in.
3. Register Snippet.
4. Update Profile.

Demonstration of SAIVS

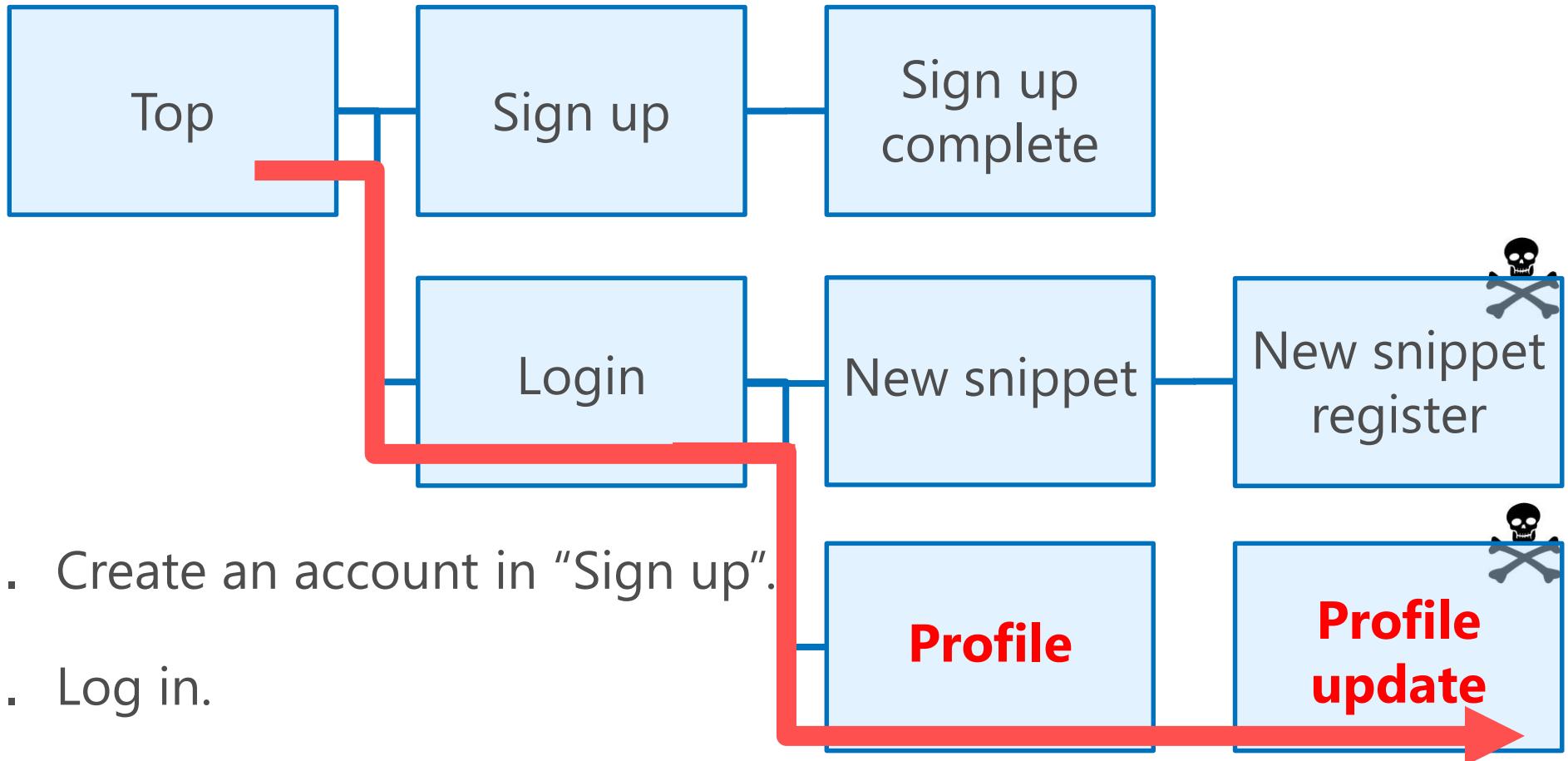


1. Create an account in "Sign up".
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4. Update Profile.

Demonstration of SAIVS



Demonstration of SAIVS



1. Create an account in "Sign up".
2. Log in.
3. Register Snippet.
4. **Update Profile.**

Demonstration of SAIVS

Function name	Overview
New snippet register	output : BODY tag sanitize : exclude SCRIPT tag
Profile update	output : A tag sanitize : < , > ⇒ < , >

Demonstration of SAIVS

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N5d9oM0NcM0>

Future prospects

- Strengthening the **page crawling** capability.
 - ✓ Responding to complex web apps.
 - ✓ Responding to CAPTCHA.

- Strengthening the **detecting vulnerabilities** capability.
 - ✓ Responding to complex RXSS patterns.
 - ✓ Responding to other vulnerabilities.

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