

krypt

the next level of
ruby cryptography

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ruby-core

openssl extension

diversity

basis for innovation

diversity

leads to the ability to choose

ruby cryptography

should **not** just be openssl

krypt

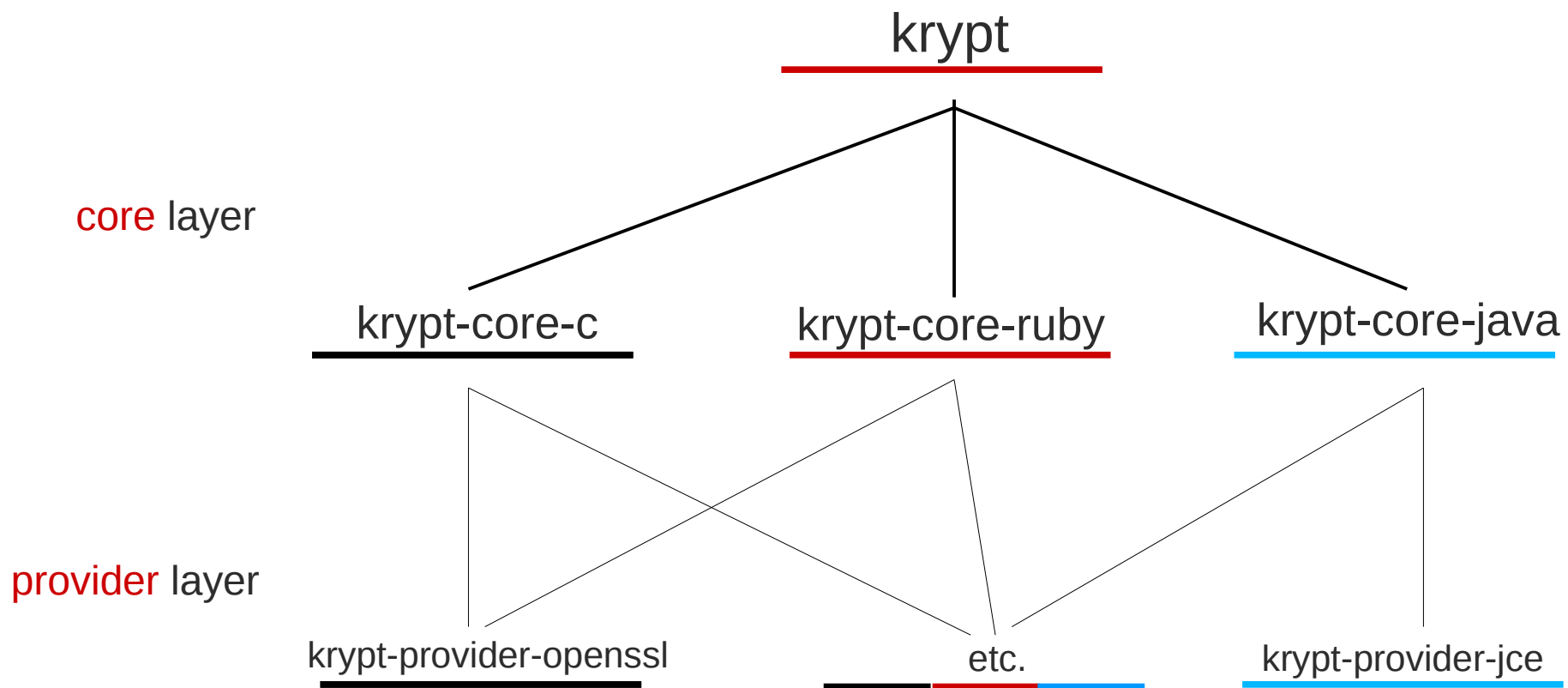
is also about **diversity**

platform- & library-independent

cryptography

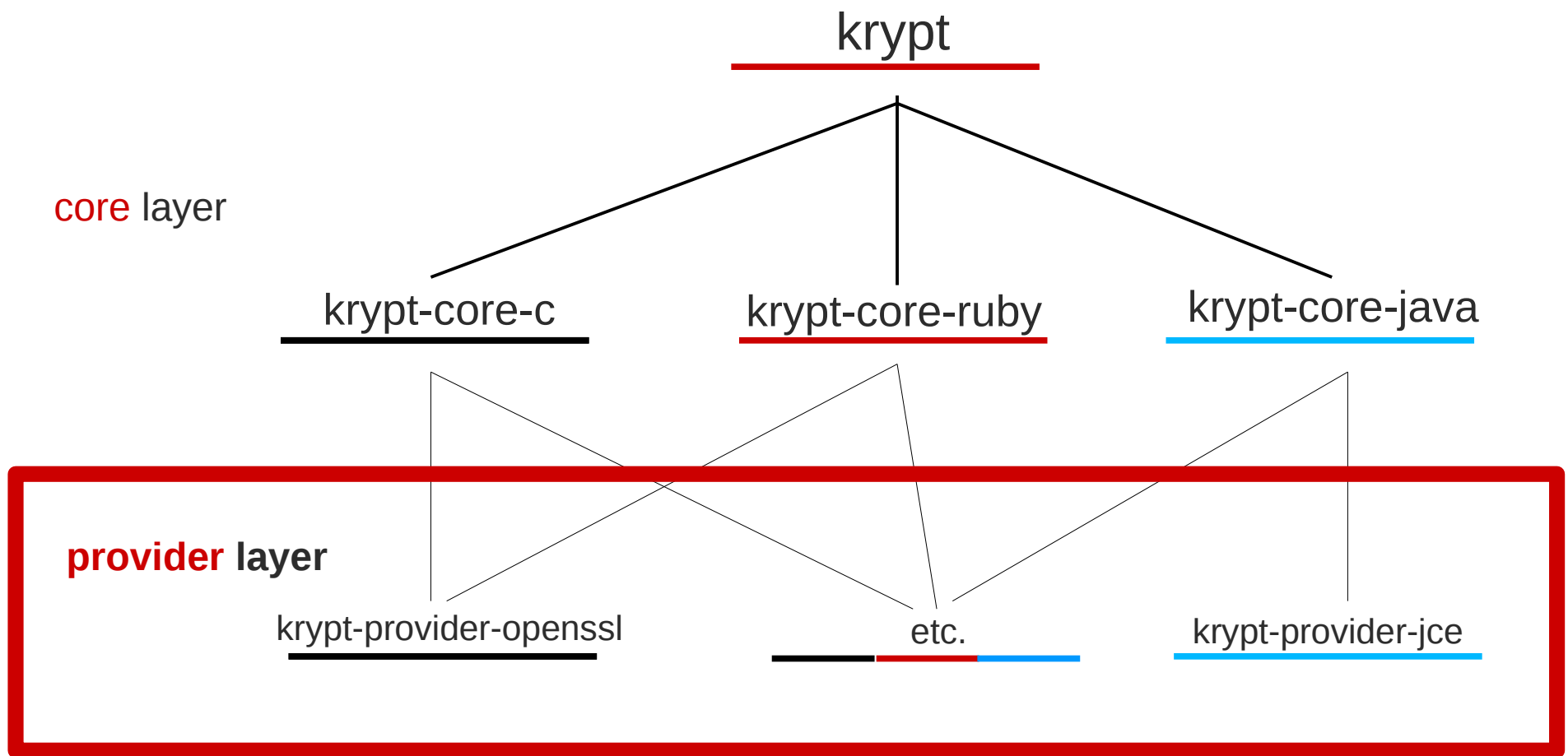
for ruby

replace openssl extension



each layer is a separate gem

combine as needed



krypt-provider

native c/java implementation

low-level primitives

well-defined **interface**

c: `krypt-provider.h`
java: `KryptProvider`

minimal

-> **many** implementations

partial implementations
for **specific** features

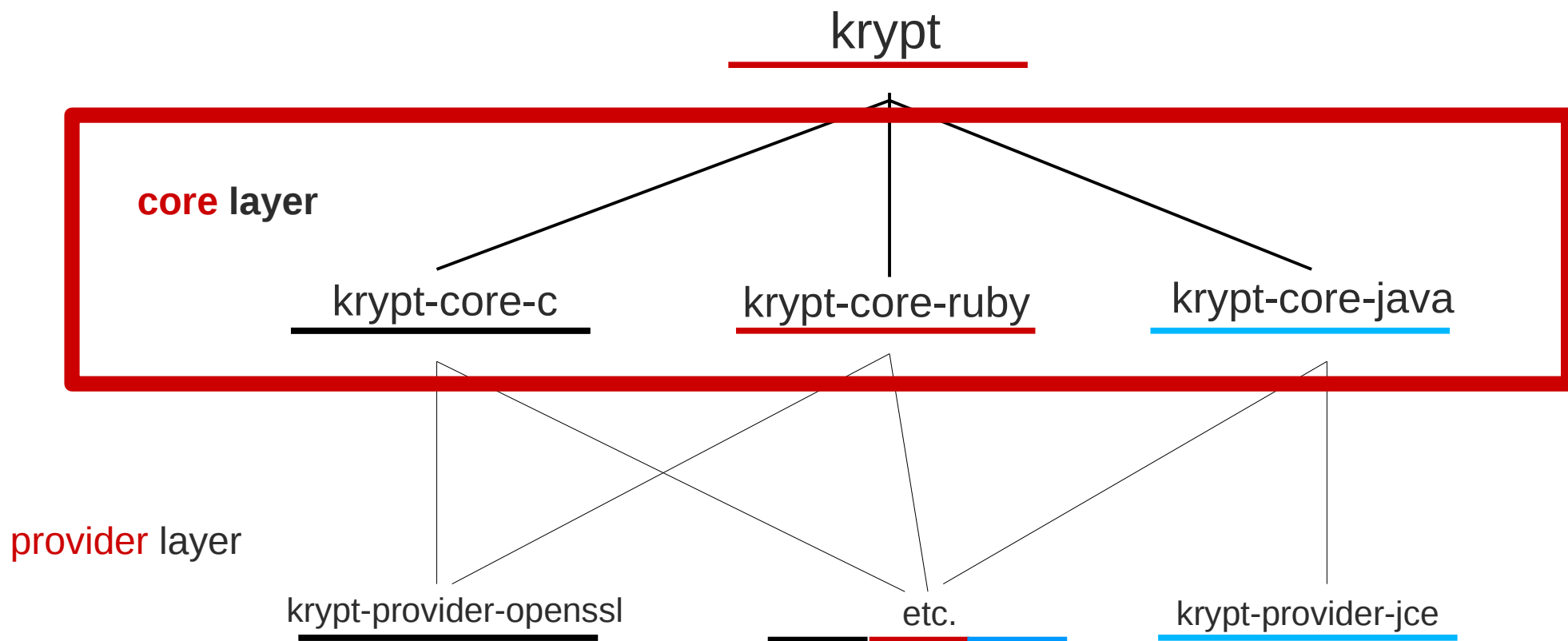
use multiple providers in parallel

openssl
capi (windows)
cng (windows)
commoncrypto (os x)
mozilla nss
nacl
...

think of krypt-**provider** as
“writing an **adapter** for your
favorite crypto library”

future

all-ruby **krypt-provider**



krypt-core

ruby <-> krypt-provider

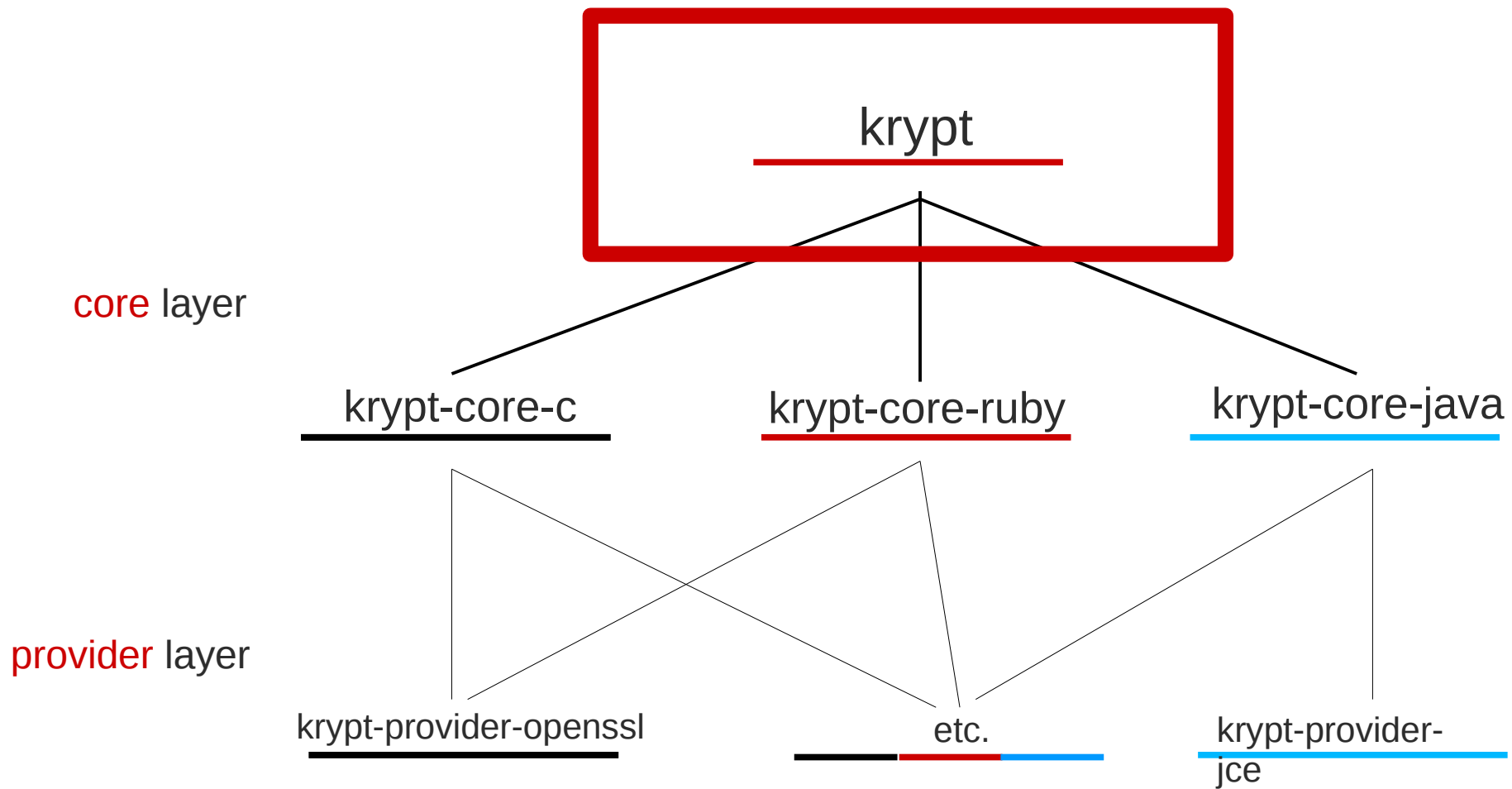
offers “**Provider**” api in ruby

native performance-critical parts

krypt-core-c

krypt-core-java

krypt-core-ruby



krypt

high-level cryptography

ruby only

pkcs#12
timestamps
cms (pkcs#7)
x.509 certificates
pkix certificate validation

and **many more** awesome acronyms...

design principles

ruby, as much as possible

run on **all** rubies, equally well

independence

stability

performance

comparable to native code

security by default

minimal effort to integrate
new providers

fix problems of openssl

i.e. certificate validation

"The most dangerous code in the world"



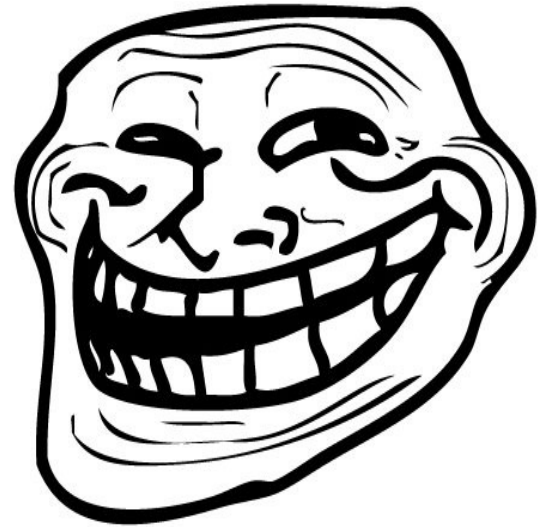
VERIFY_NONE

2003 - 2013

We fucking hate you anyway.

why break with **integrating**
battle-tested **c** libraries?

**like python, perl, erlang, haskell, lua
and (gasp!) php do?**



"for crypto,

we need full control of **everything!**

we need **c!"**

i respectfully dissent

crypto is **hard** enough as it is

adding **memory** and **pointers**
is just asking for **trouble**

just look at the **nature of recent
openssl vulnerabilities**

need **high-level** language
giving us **just enough** control

ruby

fix weaknesses on the way (binyo)

showcase #1

asn.1/der

asn.1 / der

essential for most

cryptographic protocols

performance is essential

problem

streaming parsing & encoding

who has the **best** parsers?



java, **enterprise**TM edition

event-based ?

pull parser!

pull instead of **push**

parser.next_token

token.io

streaming 

Krypt::ASN1::Template

dsl for asn.1 objects

```

class TBSCertificate
  include ASN1::Template::Sequence

  asn1_integer      :version, tag: 0, tagging: :EXPLICIT, default: 0
  asn1_integer      :serial
  asn1_template     :algorithm, ASN1::AlgorithmIdentifier
  asn1_template     :issuer, ASN1::DistinguishedName
  asn1_template     :validity, X509::Validity
  asn1_template     :subject, ASN1::DistinguishedName
  asn1_template     :subject_pkey, SubjectPublicKeyInfo
  asn1_bit_string   :issuer_id, tag: 1, tagging: :IMPLICIT, optional: true
  asn1_bit_string   :subject_id, tag: 2, tagging: :IMPLICIT, optional: true

  asn1_sequence_of :extensions, X509::Extension, tag: 3,
                  tagging: :EXPLICIT, optional: true
end

```

so far:

ad-hoc parsing/serialization

now:

Template::decode

Template#to_der

lazy parsing

cache original encoding



bouncy castle adopts

"indefinite length" encodings

ber encoding – not unique

openssl (and rest)

reencode

these on the fly to der

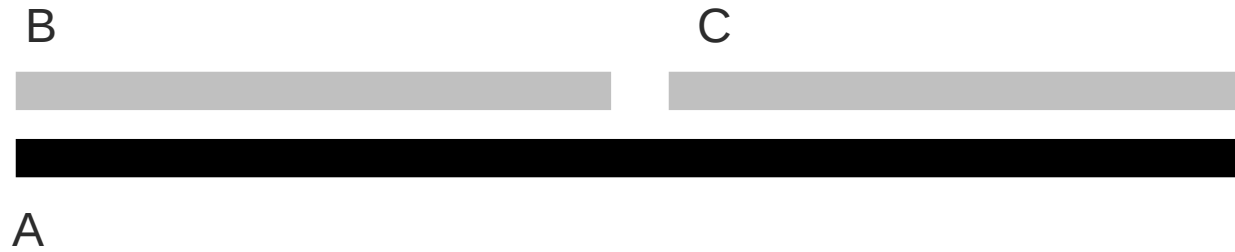
breaks signatures

caching is the **only** way

A consisting of B and C

$A := [B, C]$

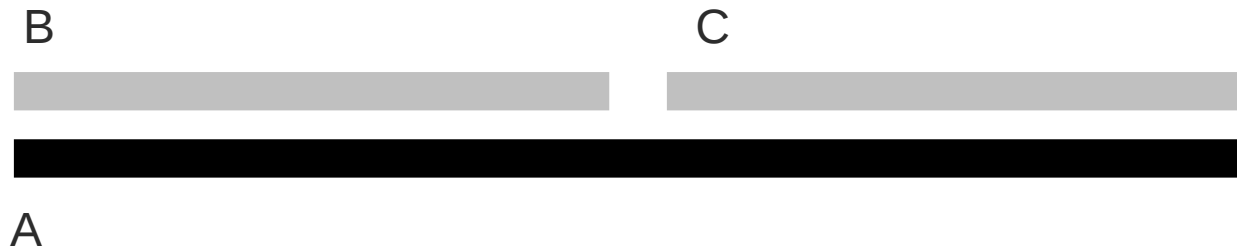
1. Parse A



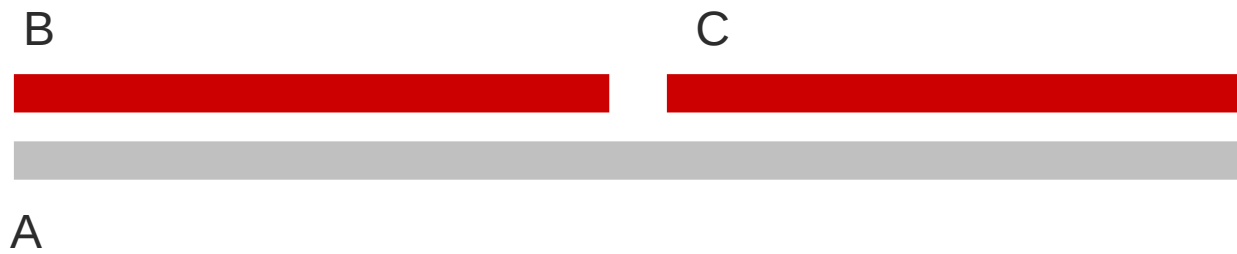
2. Encode again



1. Parse A



2. Access C or B



3. Encode again

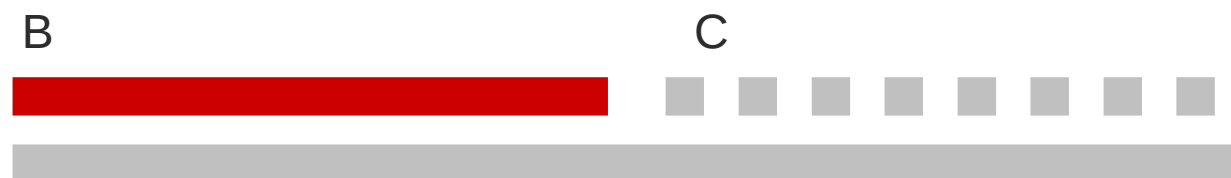


1. Parse A



A

2. Assign new C



A

3. Encode again



4. Cache new C



A

cool #1

memory consumption stays < **2x**

cool #2

as lenient as possible

cool #3

performance

cruby (mri)

Krypt::Asn1::decode	0.395747
OpenSSL::Asn1::decode	6.914664
Krypt::X509::Certificate::parse	0.325850
OpenSSL::X509::Certificate::parse	4.306612

rubinius

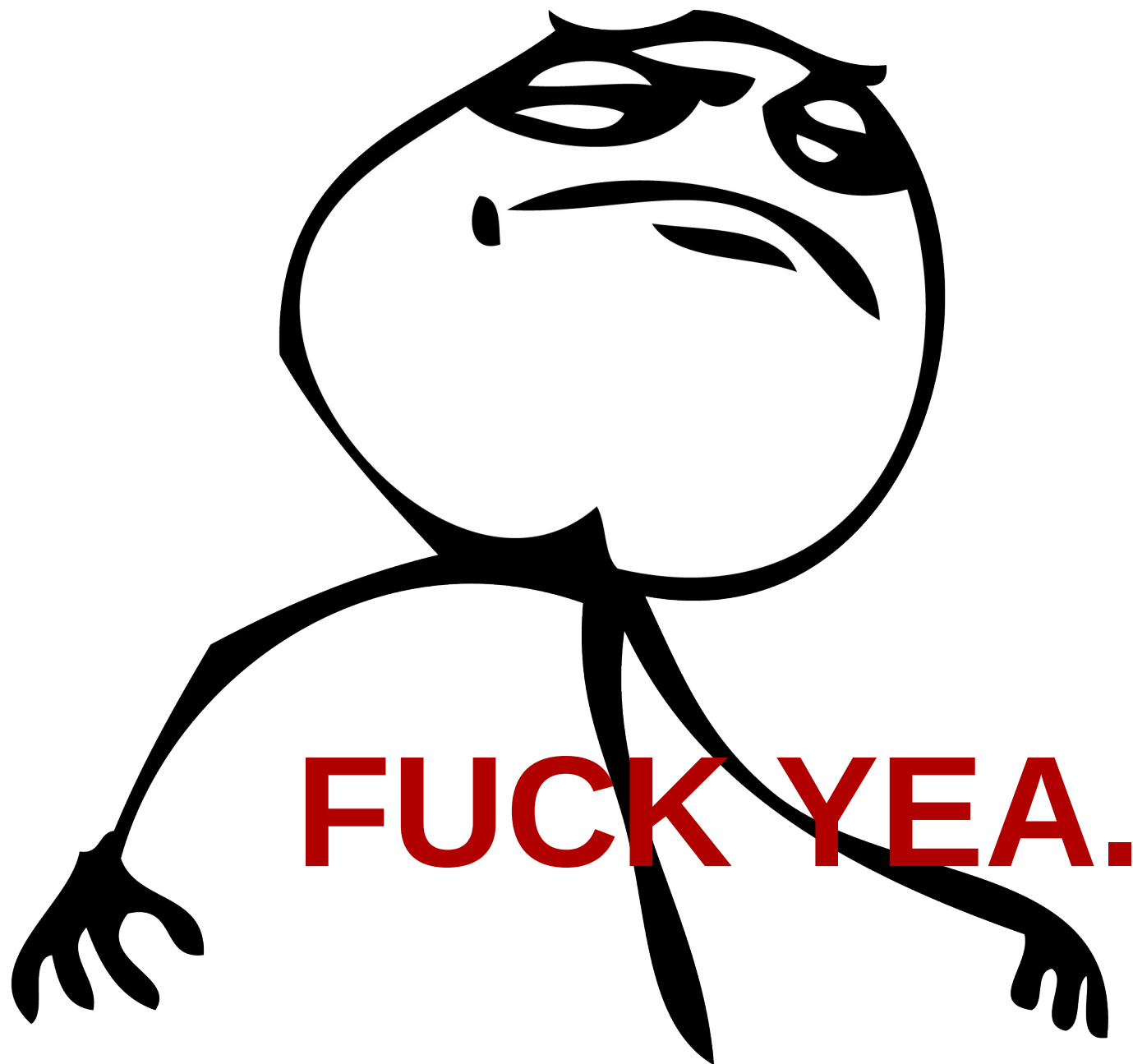
Krypt::Asn1::decode	0.475928
OpenSSL::Asn1::decode	33.436532
Krypt::X509::Certificate::parse	0.509898
OpenSSL::X509::Certificate::parse	4.808672

jruby

Krypt::Asn1::decode	0.294000
OpenSSL::Asn1::decode	8.022000
Krypt::X509::Certificate::parse	0.633000
OpenSSL::X509::Certificate::parse	12.688000

ruby vs. native

Krypt::X509::Certificate::parse	0.325850
OpenSSL native C	2.679
BouncyCastle Java 7u2	3.370648707
only one being competitive so far: JCE CertificateFactory Java 7u2	0.374258382



no outliers

similar numbers for

cruby, jruby & rubinius

showcase #2

FuzzBert

testing is a #1 priority

extensive rspec specification

official test vectors

code coverage

(ruby, c & java)

travis ci

valgrind

we cannot test exhaustively

```
def le_test(arg)
```

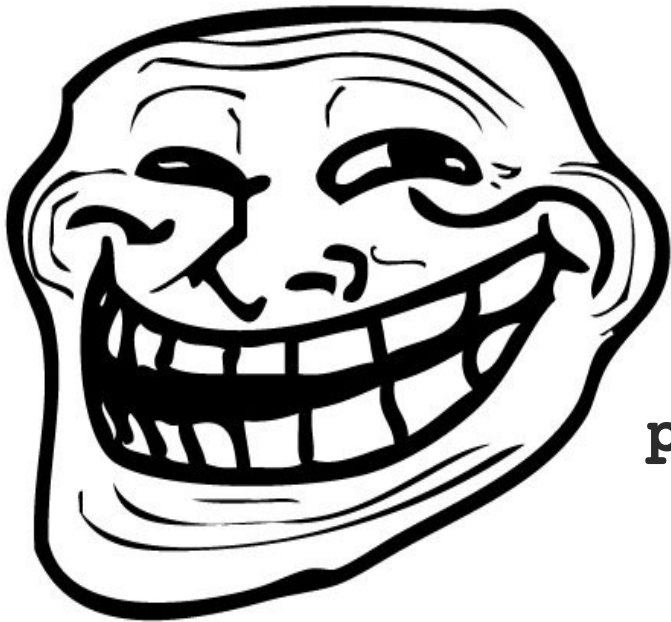
need a heuristic

random testing / fuzzing

**“yeah, it crashes with that...
but c’mon, that ain’t a **bug**”**

“dude, nobody would ever...”

“come on, that ain’t **fair**”



problem?

random testing has no bias

finds the “weird” cases

that **hackers & moms** are looking for

cover more in less time

easy

completely random data

scratching on the surface

vs.

not getting edge cases

completely random

vs.

test cases with more structure

a good test suite needs both

FuzzBert

minimal framework

for

random testing


```
fuzz "String.to_i" do

  deploy do |data|
    begin
      String.to_i(data)
    rescue StandardError
      # don't care, interested in hard crashes only
    end
  end

  data("completely random") { FuzzBert::Generators.random }

  data("1..1000") { FuzzBert::Generators.cycle(1..1000) }

  data "leading zero, fixed length of 100 digits" do
    c = FuzzBert::Container.new
    c << FuzzBert::Generators.fixed("0")
    c << FuzzBert::Generators.random_fixlen(99)
    c.generator
  end

end
```

template support

```
fuzz "Web app JSON interface" do
```

```
  deploy do |data|
```

```
    # send JSON data via HTTP
```

```
  end
```

```
  data "template" do
```

```
    t = FuzzBert::Template.new <<-EOS
```

```
    {
```

```
      user: {
```

```
        id: ${id},
```

```
        name: "${name}"
```

```
      }
```

```
    }
```

```
EOS
```

```
    t.set(:id) { FuzzBert::Generators.cycle(1..10000) }
```

```
    t.set(:name) { FuzzBert::Generators.random }
```

```
    t.generator
```

```
  end
```

```
end
```

runs tests in a **separate** process

happens in-memory

failed cases are persisted

does it work ?

hell yeah

<http://www.udacity.com/course/cs258>

not scientific

(neither is traditional testing)

good tests need
time
&
domain knowledge

but you want science ?

model failure arrival

exponential distribution

poisson processes

expected time until test fails

hypothesis testing
confidence intervals

→ **stay** or **reject**

**“i heard you like random tests,
so i made random tests from
your random tests”**

dream

completely automated tests

please, **r people**, jump on it

fuzz **all** the things

evolution of testing

showcase #3

binyo

but: breaking news

WHAT THE F*CK IS
HASHING?



not the **hashing** i meant

where are hashes used?

**parser symbol table
method lookup table
attributes / instance variables
ip addresses in dns
transaction ids
database indexing
session ids
http headers
json representation
url-encoded post form data
deduplication (hashset)
a* search algorithm
dictionaries**

where **aren't** they used?

<http://blog.headius.com/2012/09/avoiding-hash-lookups-in-ruby.html>

the story so far

#hashDoS (2011)

easy to produce **collisions**
for most
general-purpose hash functions

problem has been **known** (2003)

http://static.usenix.org/event/sec03/tech/full_papers/crosby/crosby_html/

only fixed in *perl* at the time

last year

fix it **for good**

the fix

randomize the hash function

outlined in introduction to algorithms

universal hashing

the problem

**universal hashing needs
hash function to be
pseudo-random**

but they're not

random seed is **not good enough**

simple example

$f(\text{seed}) = 42$

jean-philippe aumasson
(@aumasson)

daniel j. bernstein
(@hashbreaker)

found multicollisions for **murmurhash**

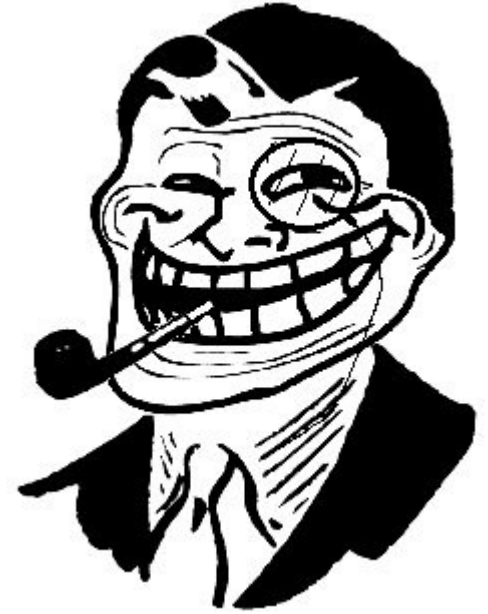
2 & 3

<https://www.131002.net/siphash/>

used in cruby, jruby and rubinius

the random seed doesn't matter

produce collisions at will



le demo

not just ruby is affected



java, **enterprise**TM edition

so what ?

web server

creates hashes from **user input**

worst-case behavior for n insertions

$$O(n^2)$$

what can we do ?

patch each and every library ?

Fix it

root



at the

one way out

light-weight cryptographic hash

more:

<http://2012.appsec-forum.ch/conferences/#c17>

more:

<https://github.com/emboss/schadcode>

let's replace openssl

thank **you**

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