Guaranteed Trade-Offs in Dynamic Information Flow Tracking Games

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Stochastic Games





Target, which averages 30 million customers a week, said Friday that an ongoing investigation found that "the stolen information includes names, mailing addresses, phone numbers or e-mail addresses for up to 70 million individuals."

"I know that it is frustrating for our guests to learn that this information was taken, and we are truly sorry they are having to endure this," Target CEO Gregg Steinhafel said in a press release.

In December, the retailer disclosed that data thieves hacked 40 million accounts, stealing encrypted PIN data, customer names, credit and debit card numbers, card expiration dates and the embedded code on the magnetic strip on the back of cards used at Target between Nov. 27 and Dec. 15.

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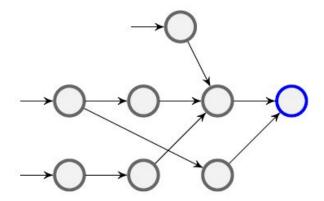




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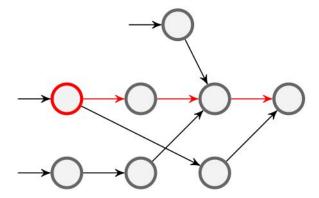
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Track user's movement in the system using information flow graph



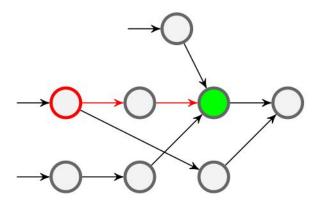
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Tag suspicious data I/O channels.



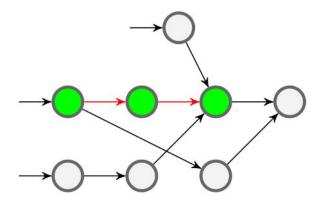
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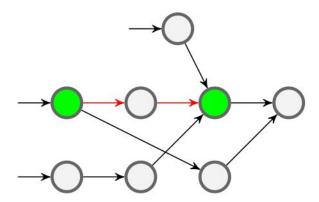
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Tracking and analyzing information flow induces a memory and performance **cost**.



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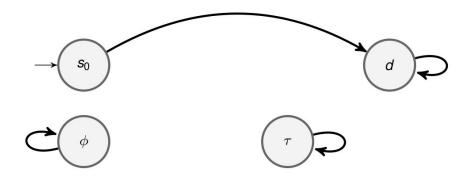


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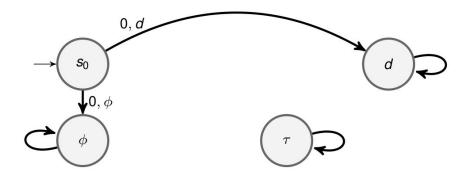
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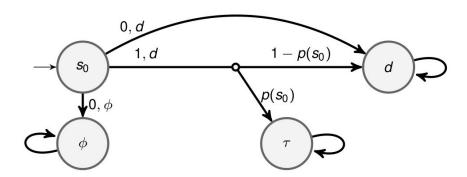
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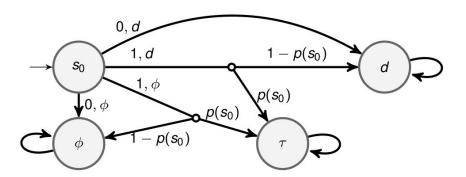
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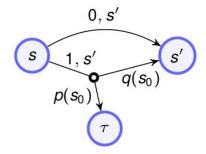
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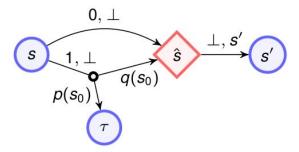
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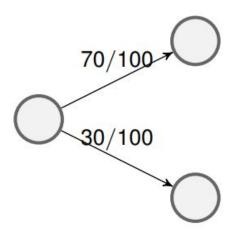
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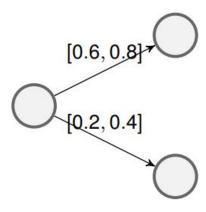


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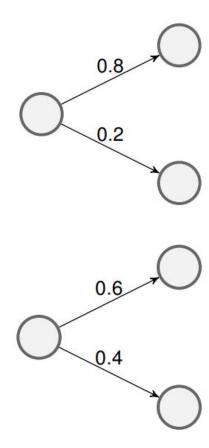


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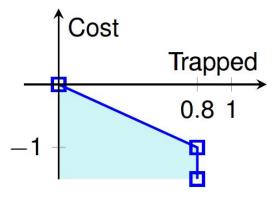
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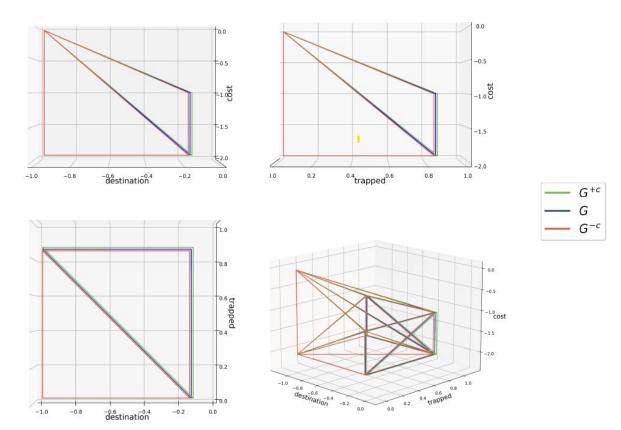


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