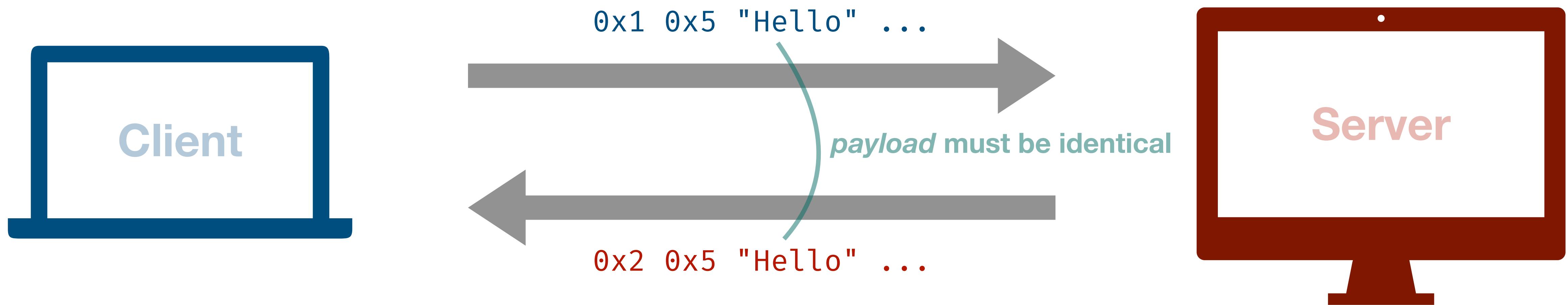


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Inputs on Demand with ISLa

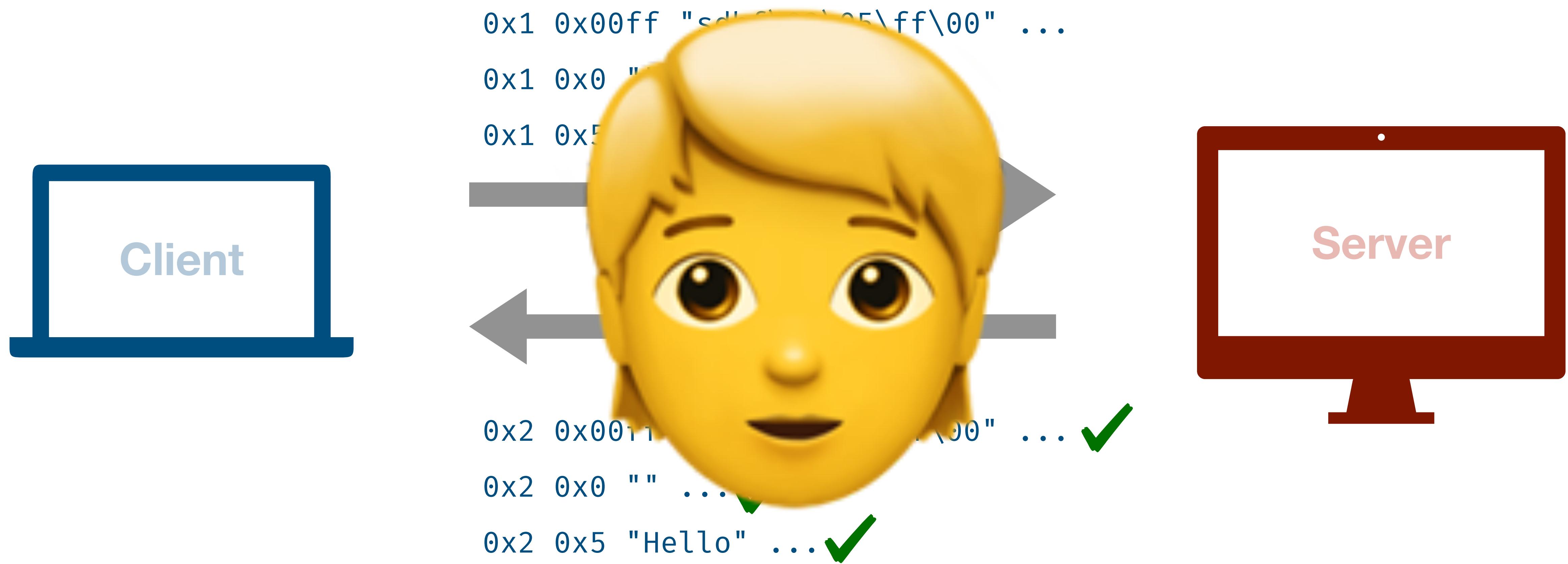
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Testing a Server

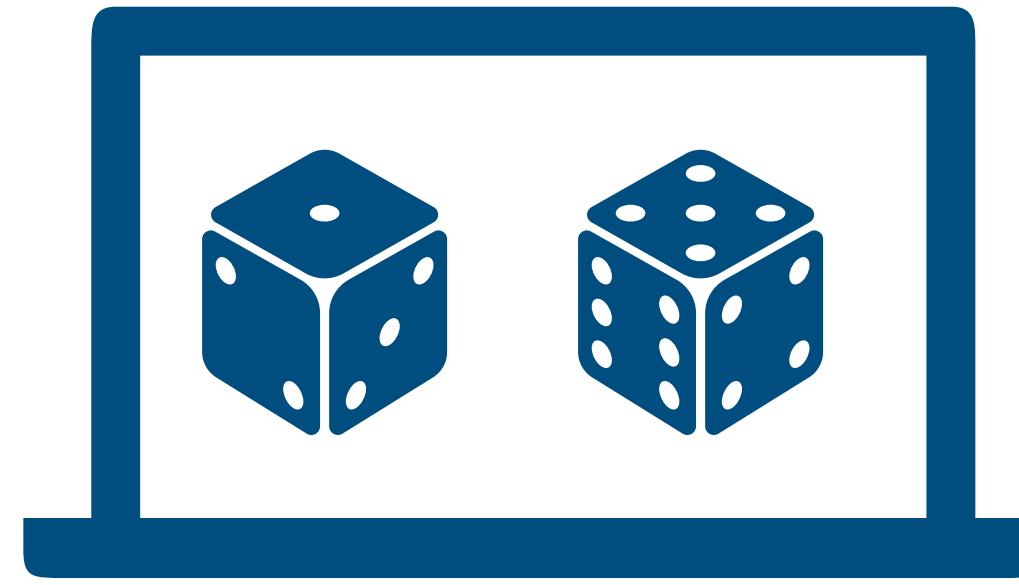


SSL/TLS Heartbeat Protocol

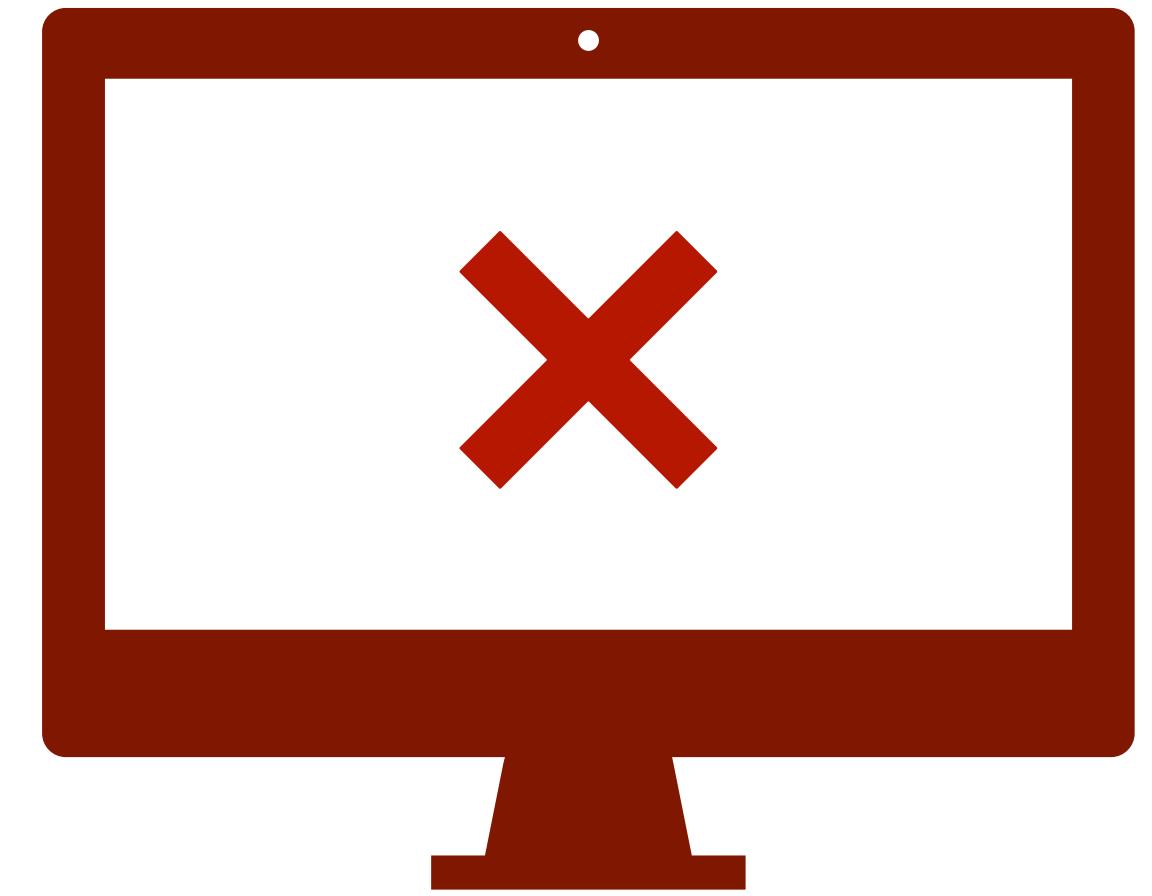
Testing with Handcrafted Inputs



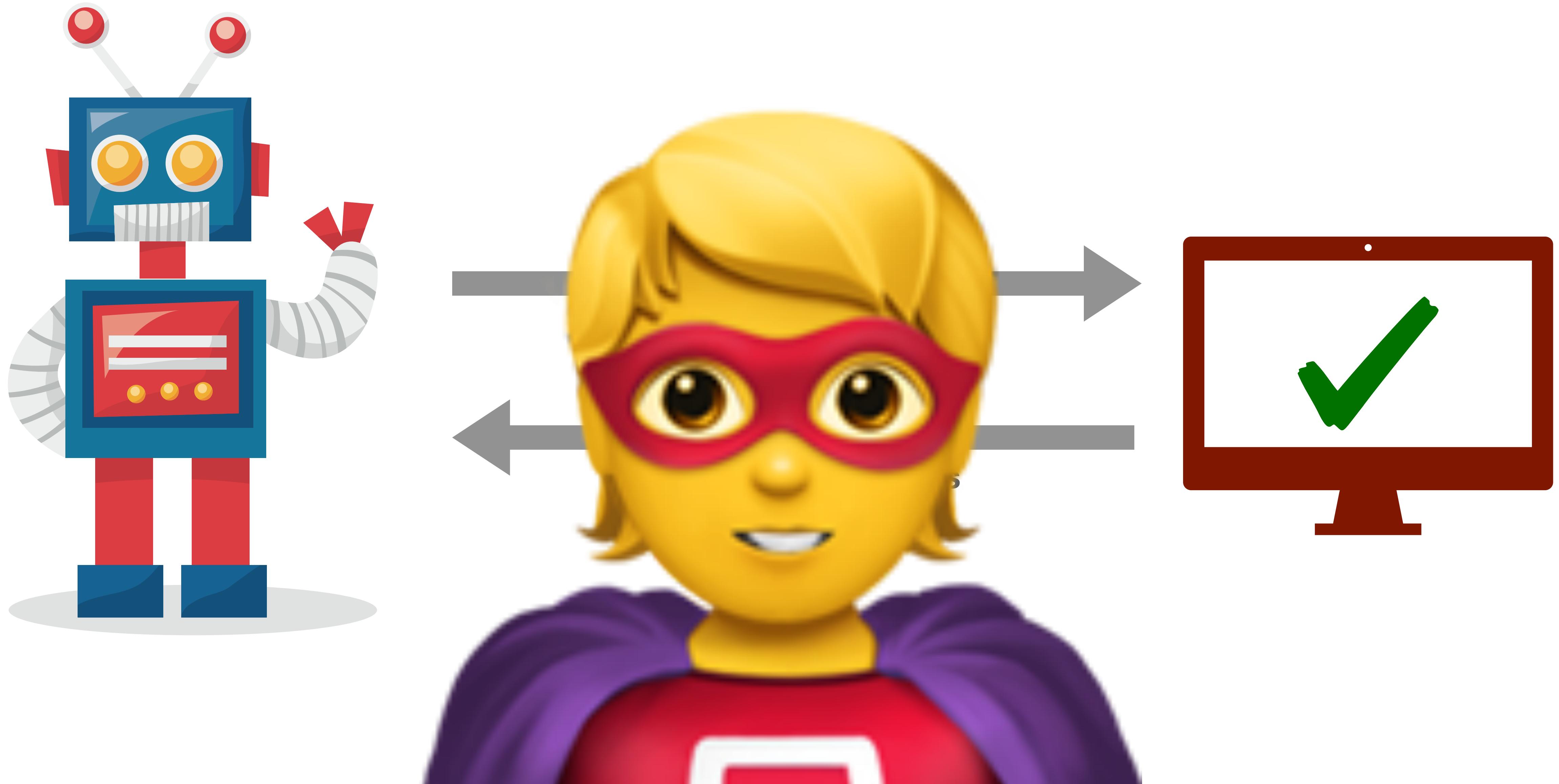
Testing with Random Inputs



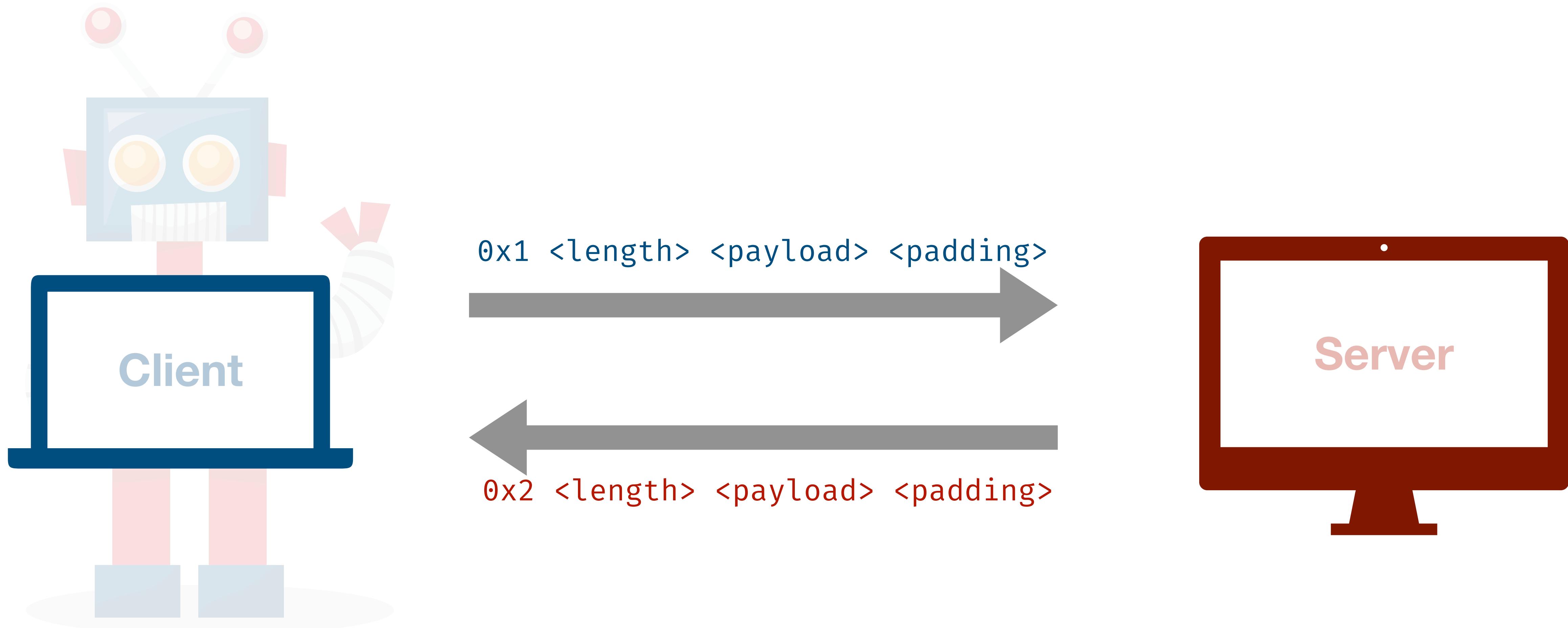
0x02 0x03 0x0f 0xa4 0x4b 0x2c



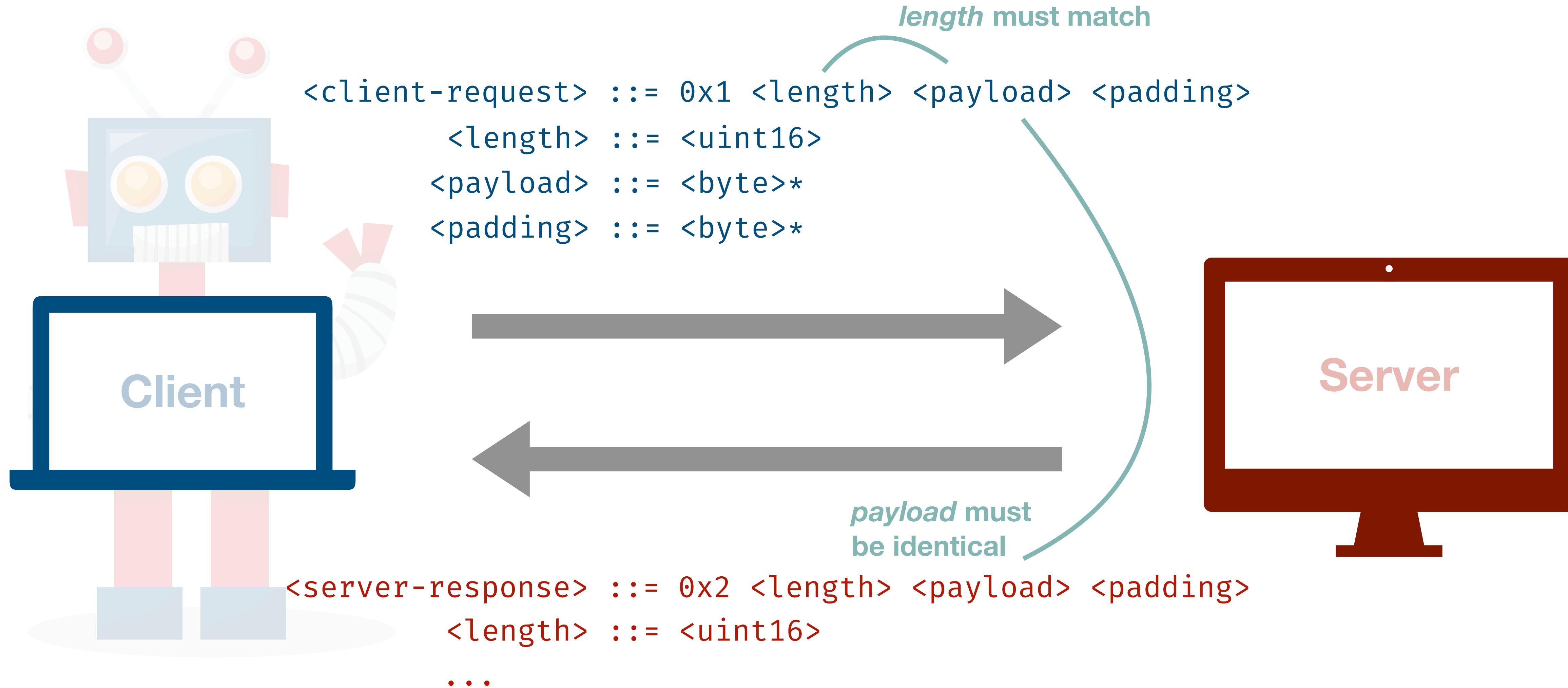
How you can Become a Testing Superhero



Leveraging Languages



Leveraging Languages



Specifying Languages

Syntax I/O Grammar

```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
<length> ::=
<payload>
<padding>
```

syntax alone
does not suffice

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) =
<client-request>.<length> == <server-response>.<length>
<client-request>.<payload> == <server-response>.<payload>
```

length must match
payload must be identical



Input Specification Language

- A **specifier** to specify inputs (and outputs)
- A **fuzzer** to generate random data to produce valid inputs and mutate following constraints

Specifying Languages

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    <payload> ::= <byte>*
    <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
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Producing Inputs

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Semantics Constraints

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uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
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Producing Inputs

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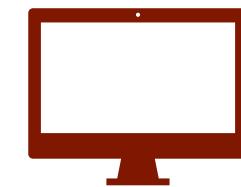
```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
    <length> ::= <uint16>
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```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



<client-request>



Producing Inputs

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Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



<client-request> <server-response>



Producing Inputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

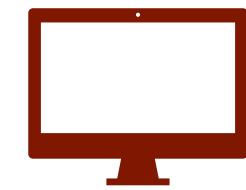
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```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



<server-response>



Producing Inputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

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Semantics Constraints

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```



0x1 <length> <payload> <padding> <server-response>



Producing Inputs

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<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
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    <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



0x1

<payload> <padding> <server-response>



Producing Inputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

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<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
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Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



0x1 <uint16> <payload> <padding> <server-response>



Producing Inputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
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  <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



0x1 0x0005 <payload> <padding> <server-response>



Producing Inputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
<length> ::= <uint16>
<payload> ::= <byte>*
<padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```

0x1 0x0005 "hello" <padding> <server-response>



Producing Inputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
  <length> ::= <uint16>
  <payload> ::= <byte>*
  <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



complete and valid input

0x1 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0... <server-response>



Parsing Outputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

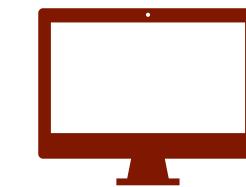
```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
    <length> ::= <uint16>
    <payload> ::= <byte>*
    <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



0x1 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0... <server-response> 0x2 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0...



Parsing Outputs

Syntax
I/O Grammar

```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
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  <length> ::= <uint16>
  <payload> ::= <byte>*
  <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

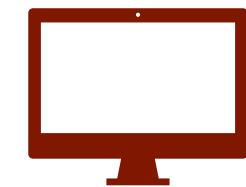
Semantics
Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



0x1 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0... 0x2 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0...

0x1 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0... 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>



Parsing Outputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

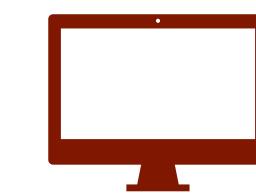
```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
    <length> ::= <uint16>
    <payload> ::= <byte>*
    <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



0x1 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0... 0x2 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0...



Parsing Outputs

Syntax I/O Grammar

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<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
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  <payload> ::= <byte>*
  <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

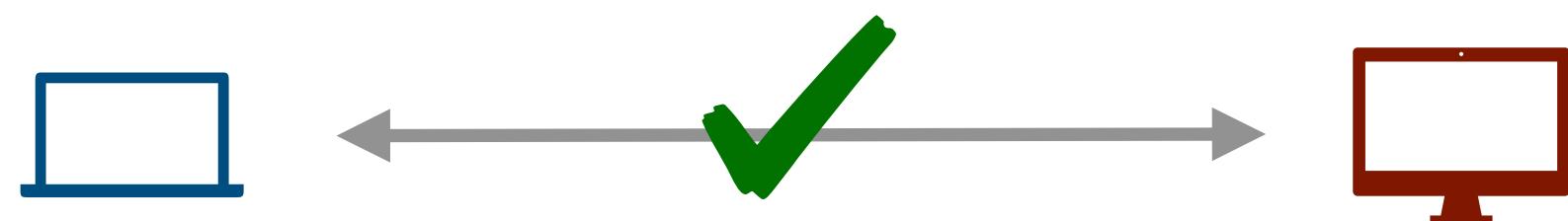


Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <server-response>.<payload>
```



0x1 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0... 0x2 0x0005 "hello" 0x0 0x0...



Nasty Inputs: Buffer Overflows

Syntax

I/O Grammar

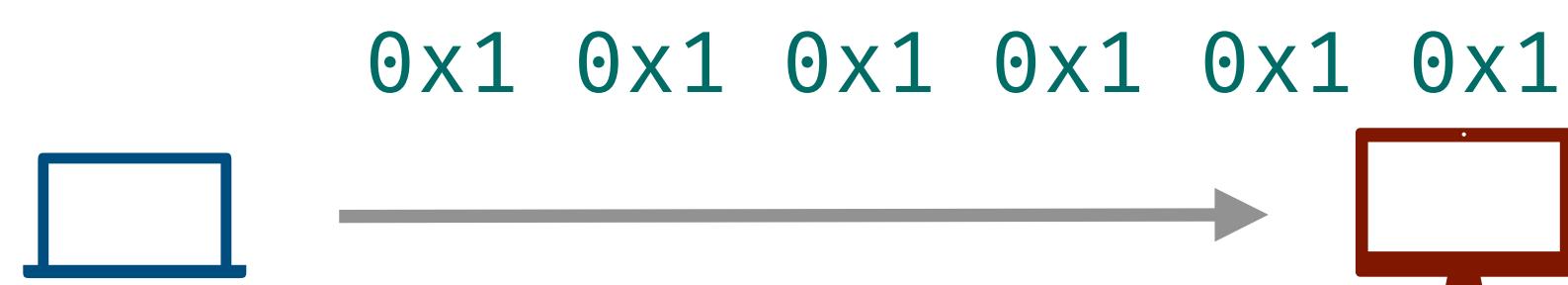
```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
  <length> ::= <uint16>
  <payload> ::= <byte>*
  <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics

Constraints

`uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)`

len(<payload>) > 1000000000



Nasty Inputs: SQL Injections

Syntax I/O Grammar

```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
<length> ::= <uint16>
<payload> ::= <byte>*
<padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.payload =
"'; DROP TABLE CUSTOMERS --"
```



```
INSERT INTO LOG VALUES ('payload: ');
DROP TABLE CUSTOMERS --')
```



Nasty Inputs: HTML Injections

Syntax I/O Grammar

```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>  
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>  
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>  
    <length> ::= <uint16>  
    <payload> ::= <byte>*<br/>  
    <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

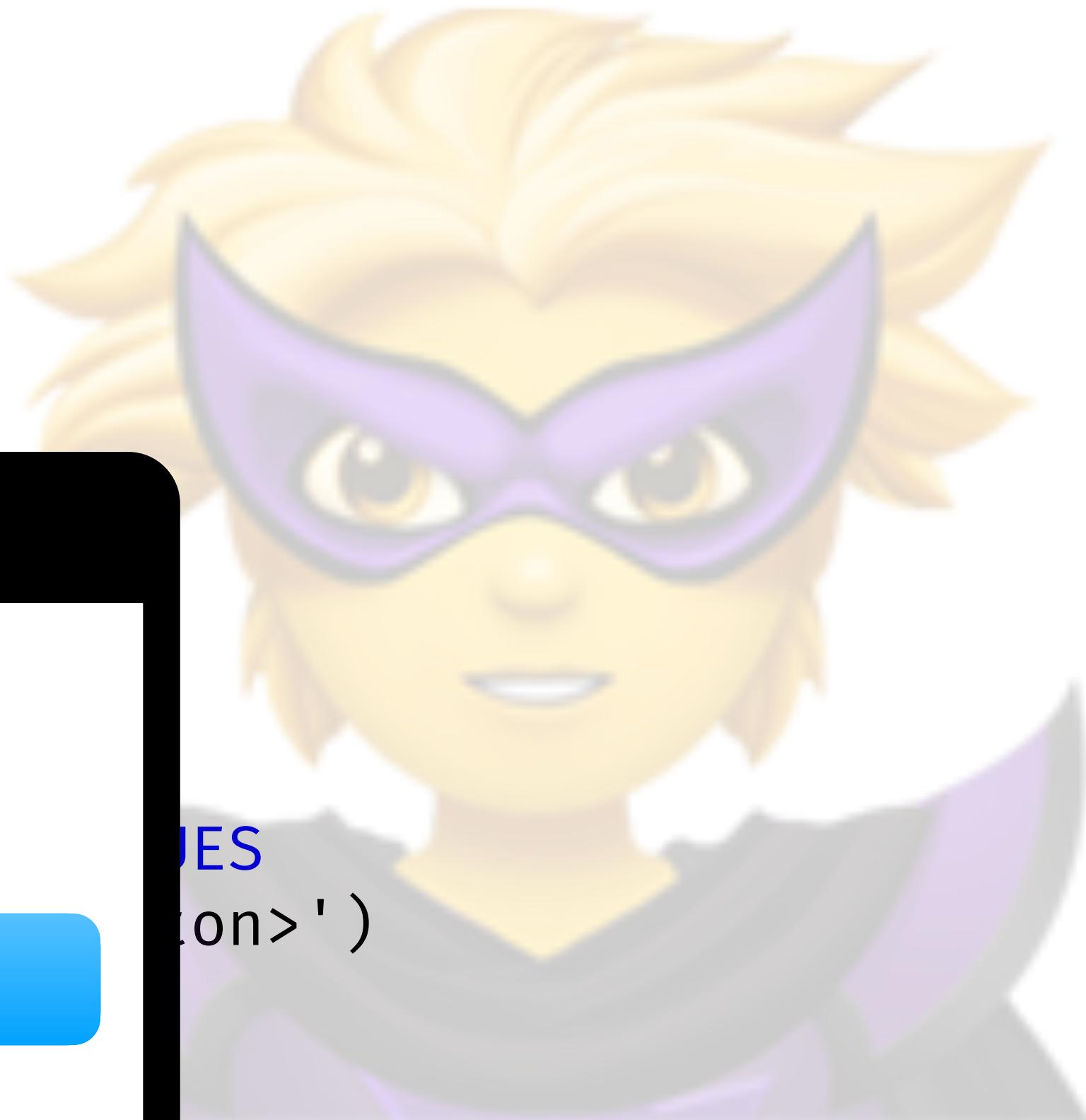
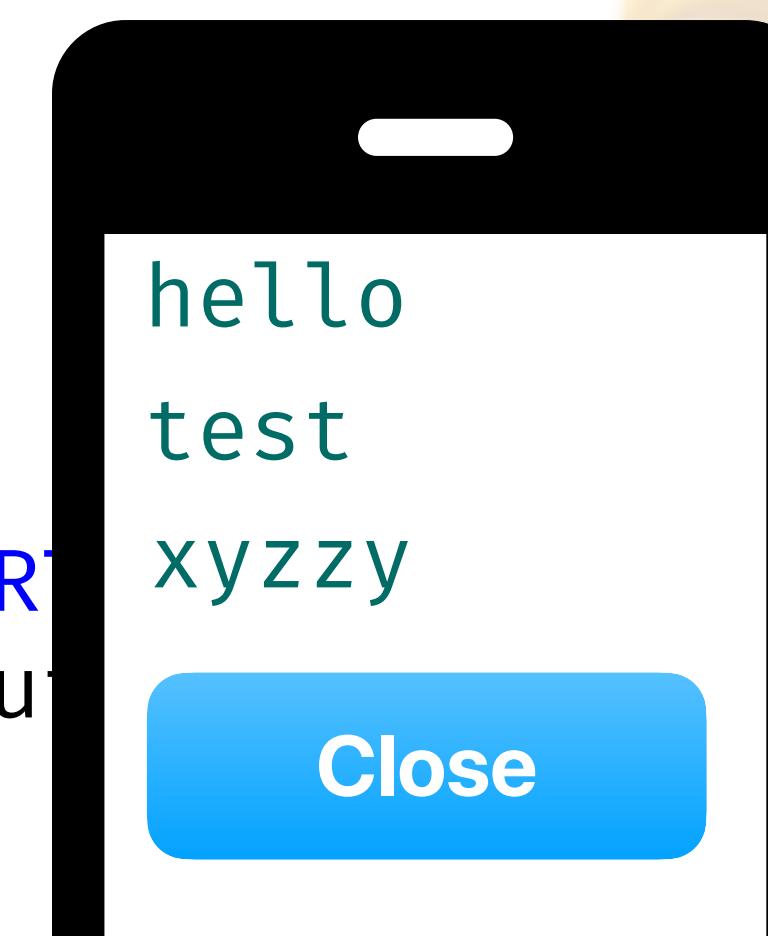
Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)  
<client-request>.payload =  
    "<button>Close</button>"
```

0x1 <button>Close</button> ...



INSERT
('<button>Close</button>')



Nasty Inputs: All Together

Syntax I/O Grammar

```
<exchange> ::= <client-request> <server-response>
<client-request> ::= 0x1 <length> <payload> <padding>
<server-response> ::= 0x2 <length> <payload> <padding>
    <length> ::= <uint16>
    <payload> ::= <byte>*
    <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
<client-request>.<payload> = <nasty-input>
```



Nasty Inputs: All Together

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    <length> ::= <uint16>  
    <payload> ::= <byte>*<br/>  
    <padding> ::= <byte>*
```

Semantics Constraints

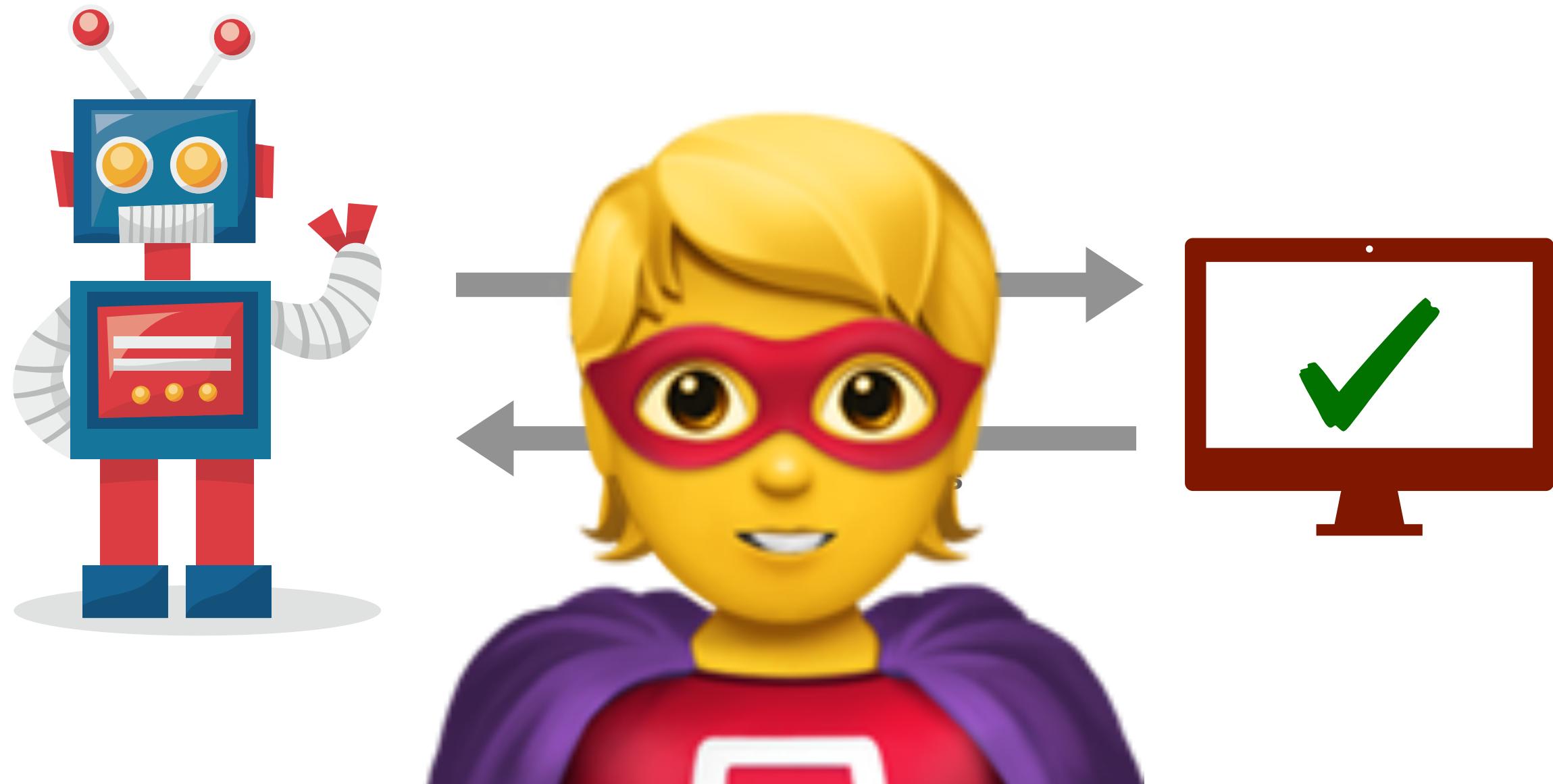
```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)  
<client-request>.<payload> = <nasty-input>
```

Nasty Inputs Attacks

```
<nasty-input> ::= <buffer-overflow-input> |  
    <sql-injection-input> |  
    <html-injection-input> |  
    ...
```



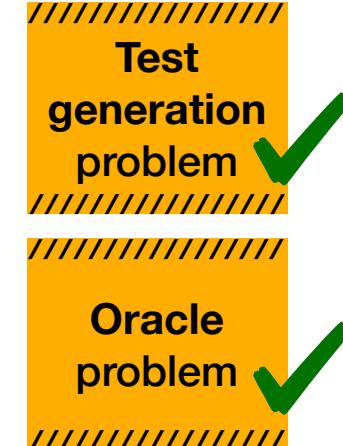
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Testing with Language Specs

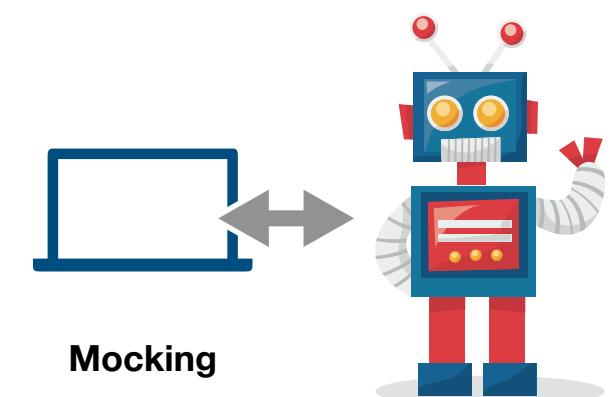
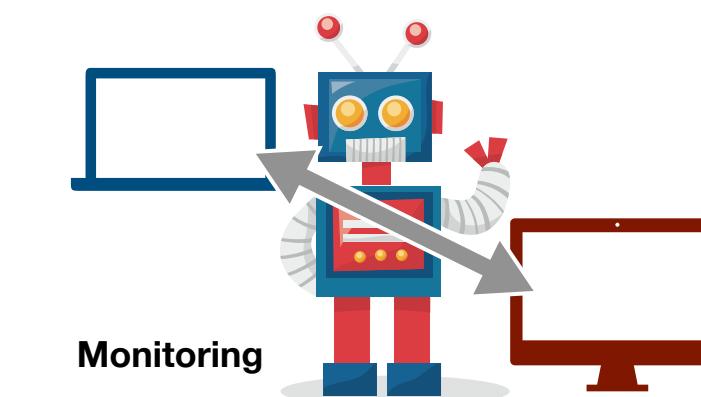
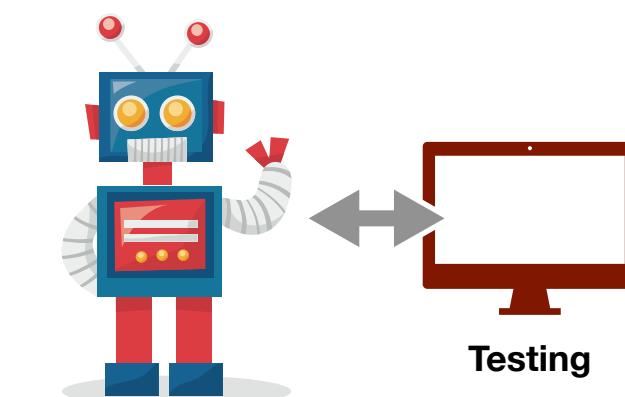
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```



Semantics Constraints

```
uint16(<length>) = len(<payload>)
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  ...
  ...
```



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