

Cost vs Value

Understanding the economics that drive attacks



How much does it cost to attack you?



Cost vs Value



How much does it cost to play?



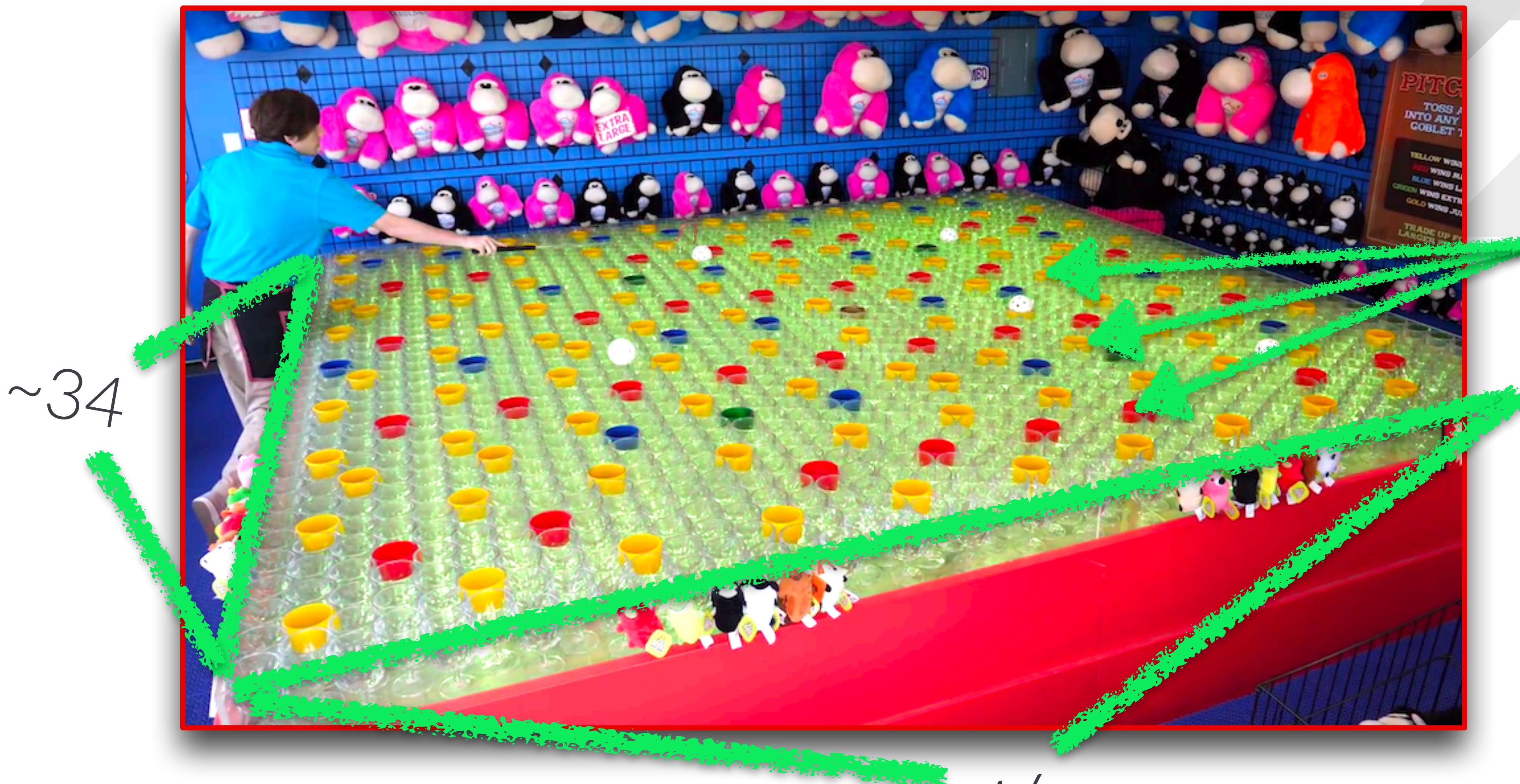
\$1?

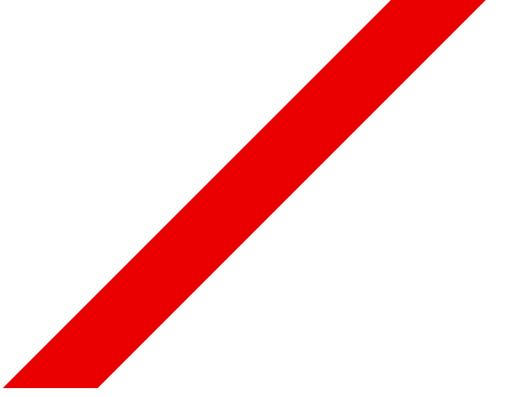
How much is this worth to you?



\$10?

What are your chances of winning?

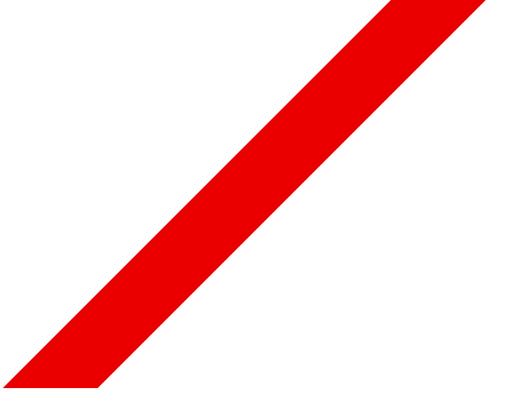




What are your chances of winning?

About 10%*

** not accounting for lack of walls and any carnival shenanigans.
It's much lower in reality. Don't play these games.*



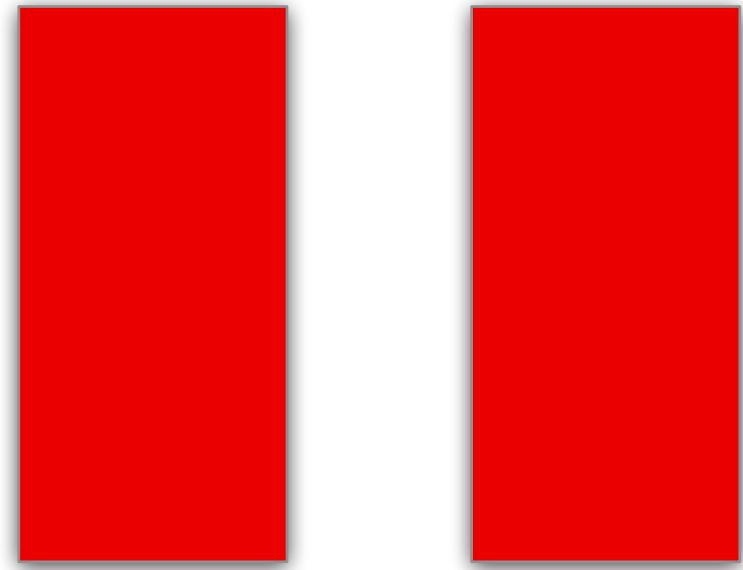
How to calculate our return.

$$\frac{\text{Value} * \text{Chance of Success}}{\text{Cost}} - 100\% = \text{Rate of Return}$$

Is it worth playing?

$$\frac{\$10 * 10\%}{\$1} - 100\% = 0\%$$

Eventually you will break even.



cost

value

If value or chance improves, your return is higher.

$$\frac{\$20 * 10\%}{\$1} - 100\% = 100\%$$

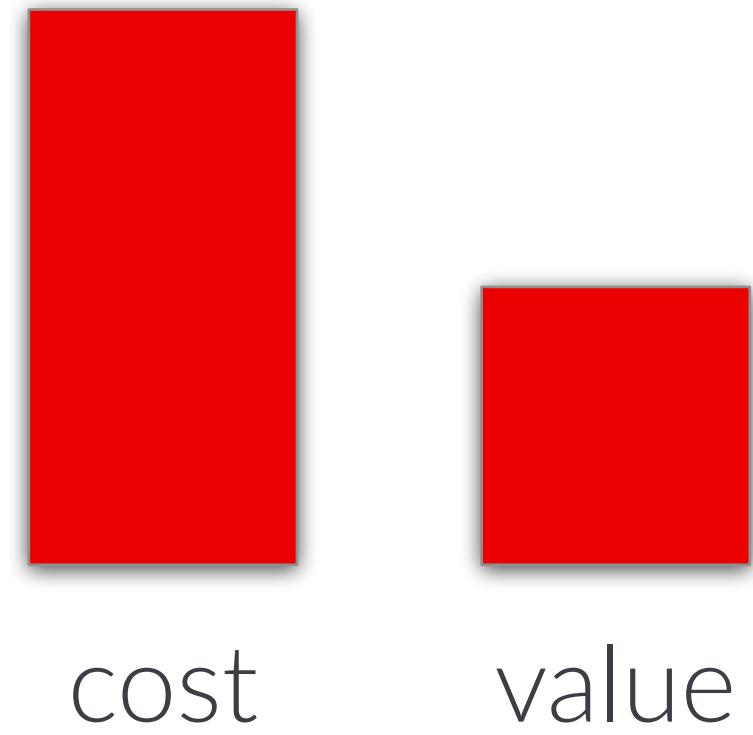


Over time you will come out ahead. cost

value

If value or chance decreases, your return is lower.

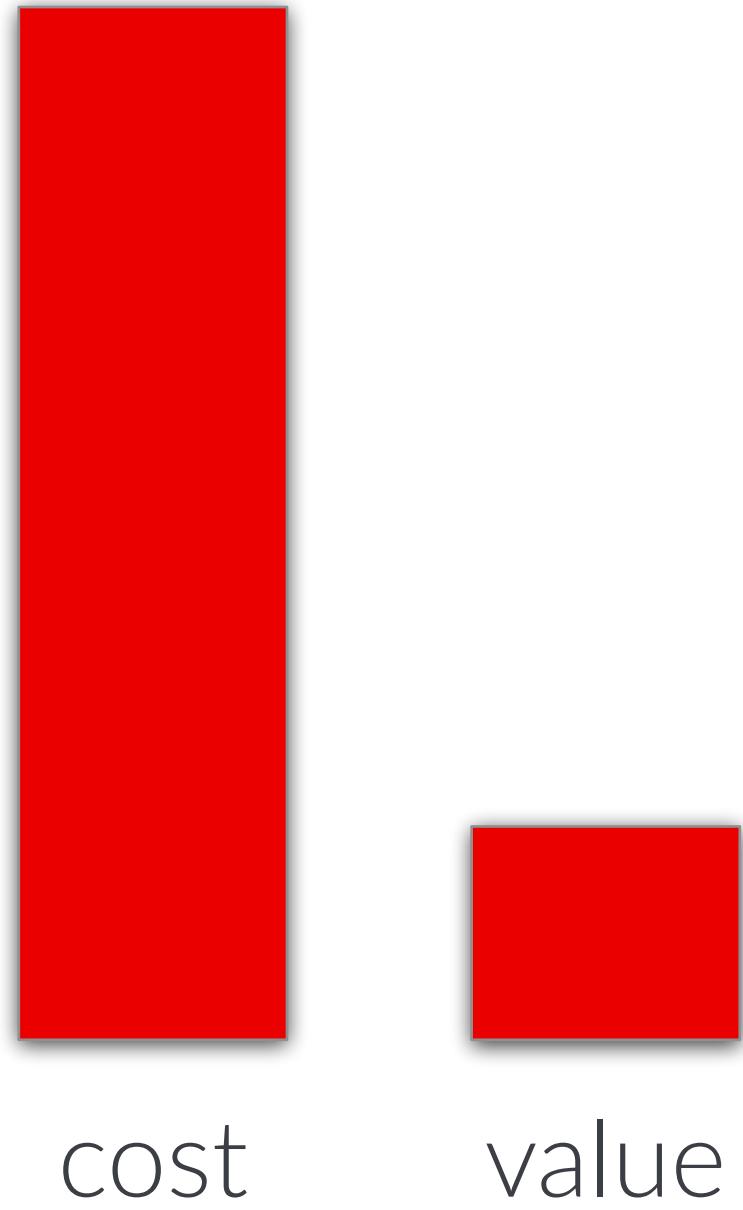
$$\frac{\$10 * 5\%}{\$1} - 100\% = -50\%$$



Over time you will go broke.

If cost increases it better still be less than the value.

$$\frac{\$10 * 5\%}{\$2} - 100\% = -75\%$$



Otherwise you'll still go broke.

We make these calculations all day.

- When shopping
- While at work
- In relationships
- As a parent

Attackers do too.

This is why breaches and attacks are exploding.

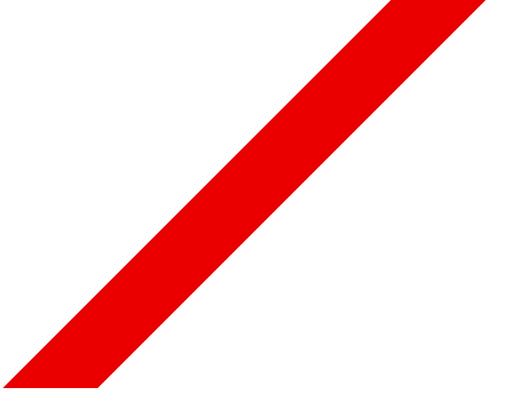
Attacks are *dirt cheap* and the value is *astronomical*.

This is what I
used to look like



Who am I?

- Web dork.
- Director at Shape Security & Google Dev Expert.
- Old-school video game hacker.
- **@jsoverson** most everywhere

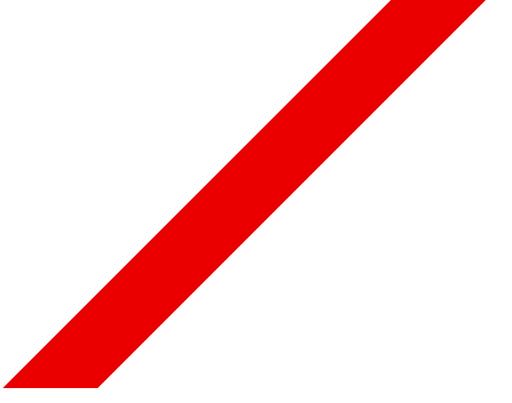


shape?



Ever heard of YKK?





You probably used Shape today.

We're the reason you log in a lot less and see fewer CAPTCHAs.

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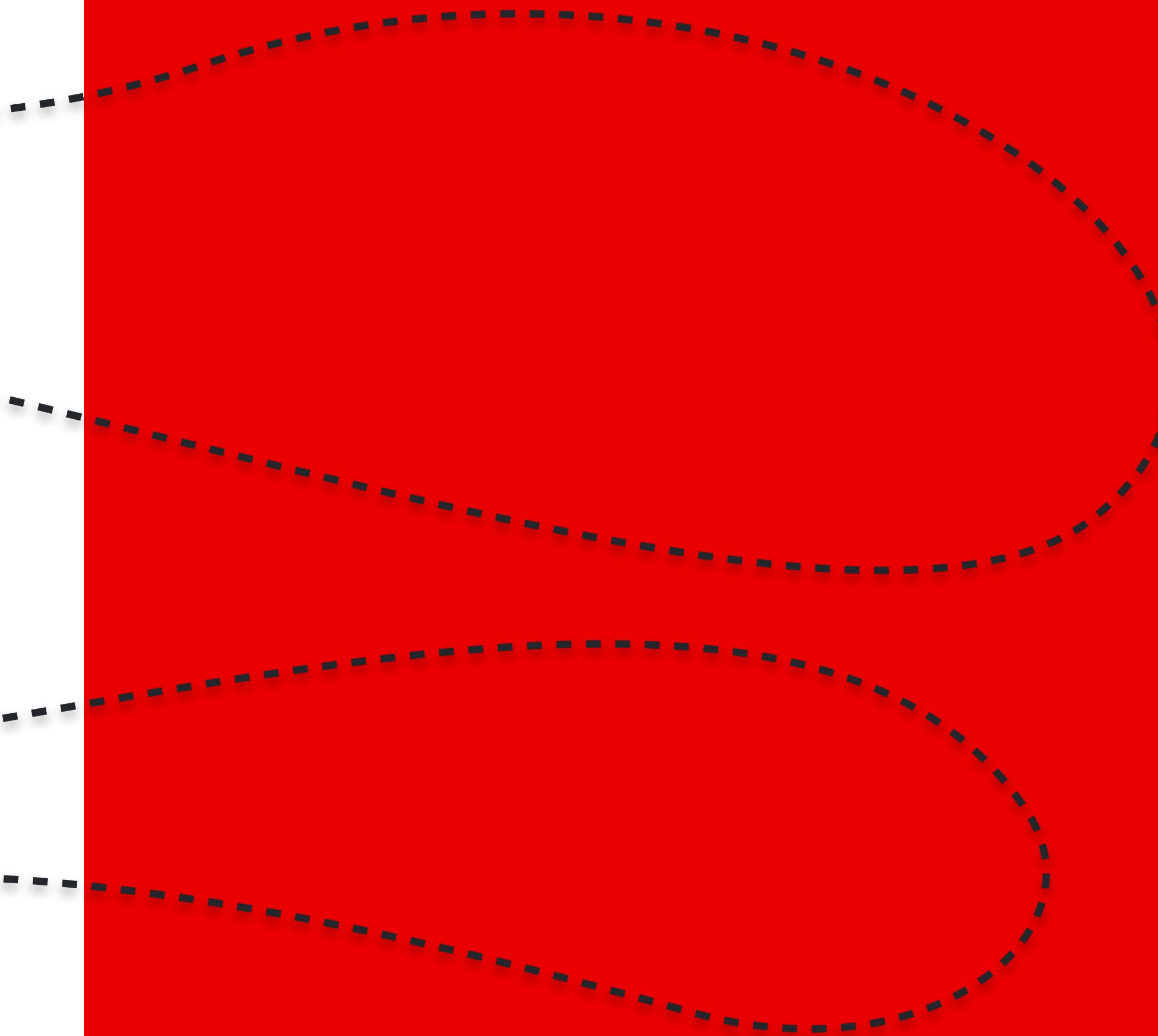
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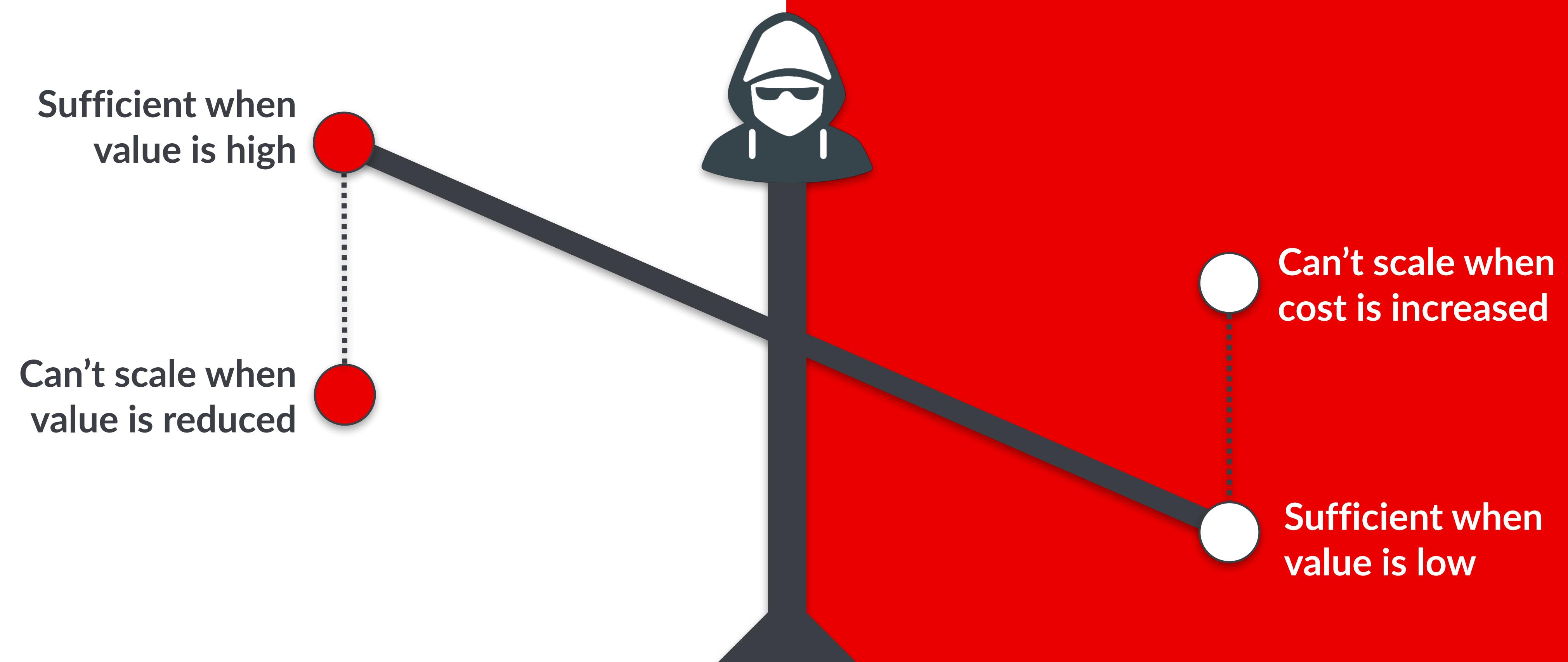


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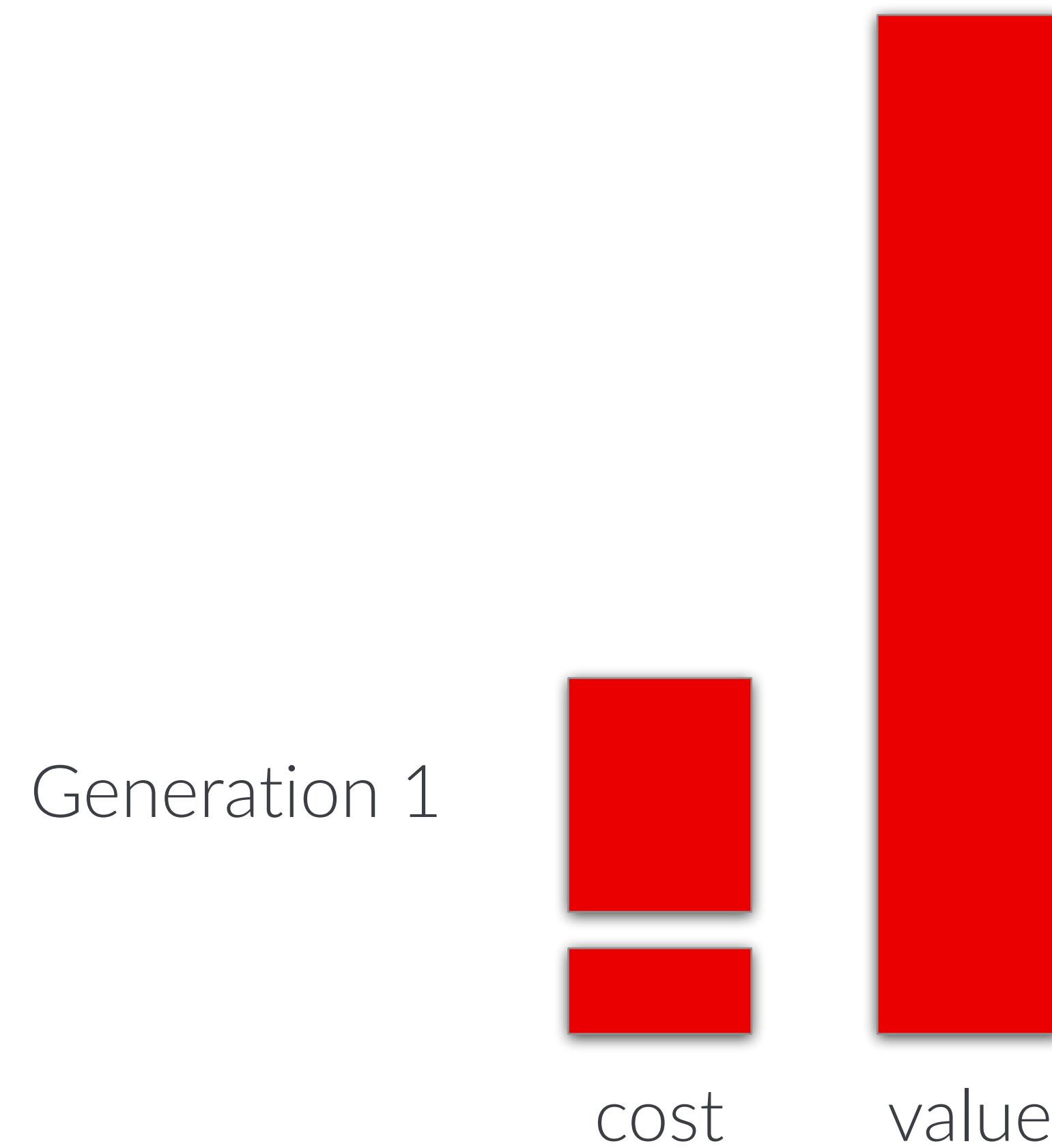
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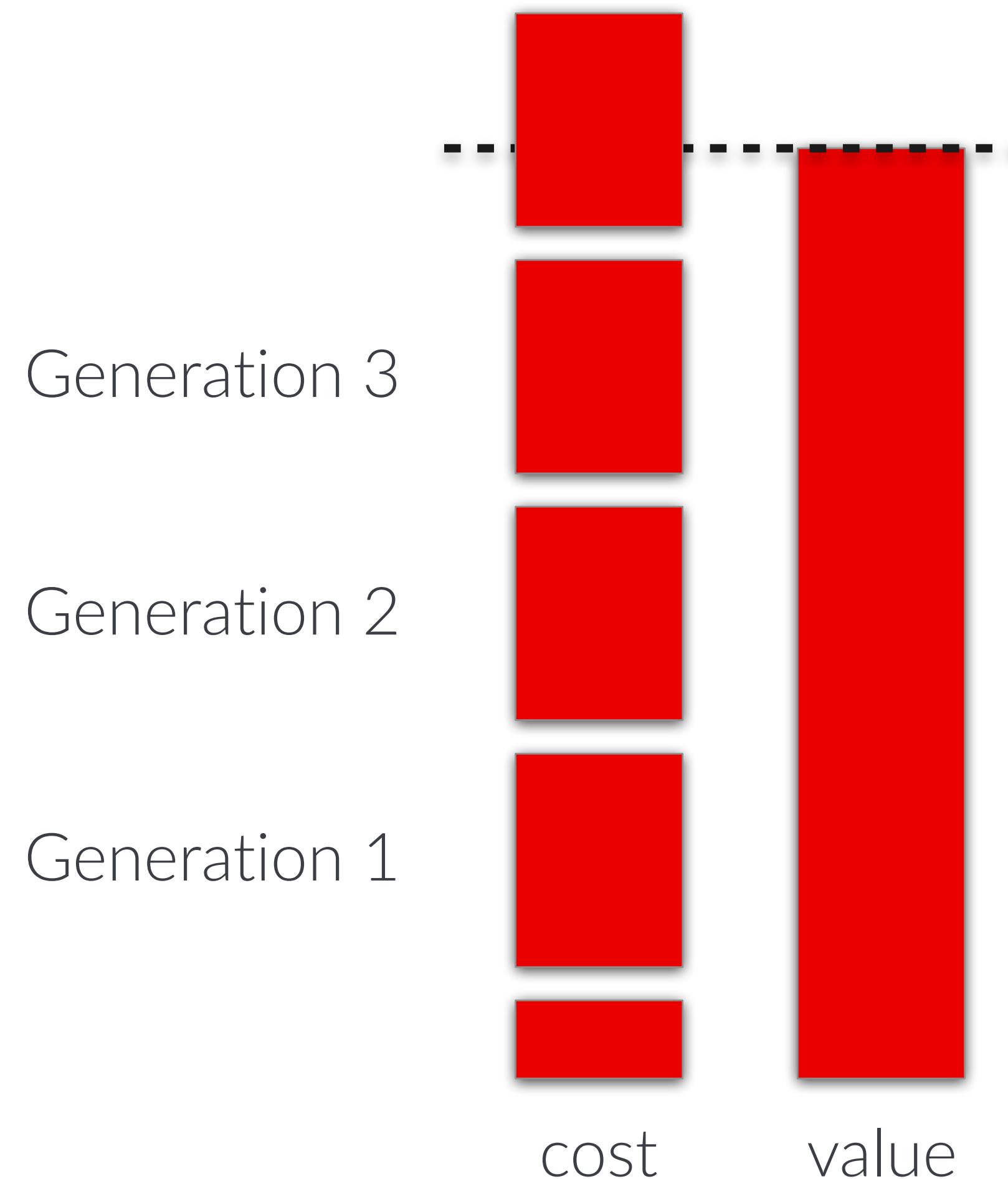
If there are no defenses in place, costs are negligible.



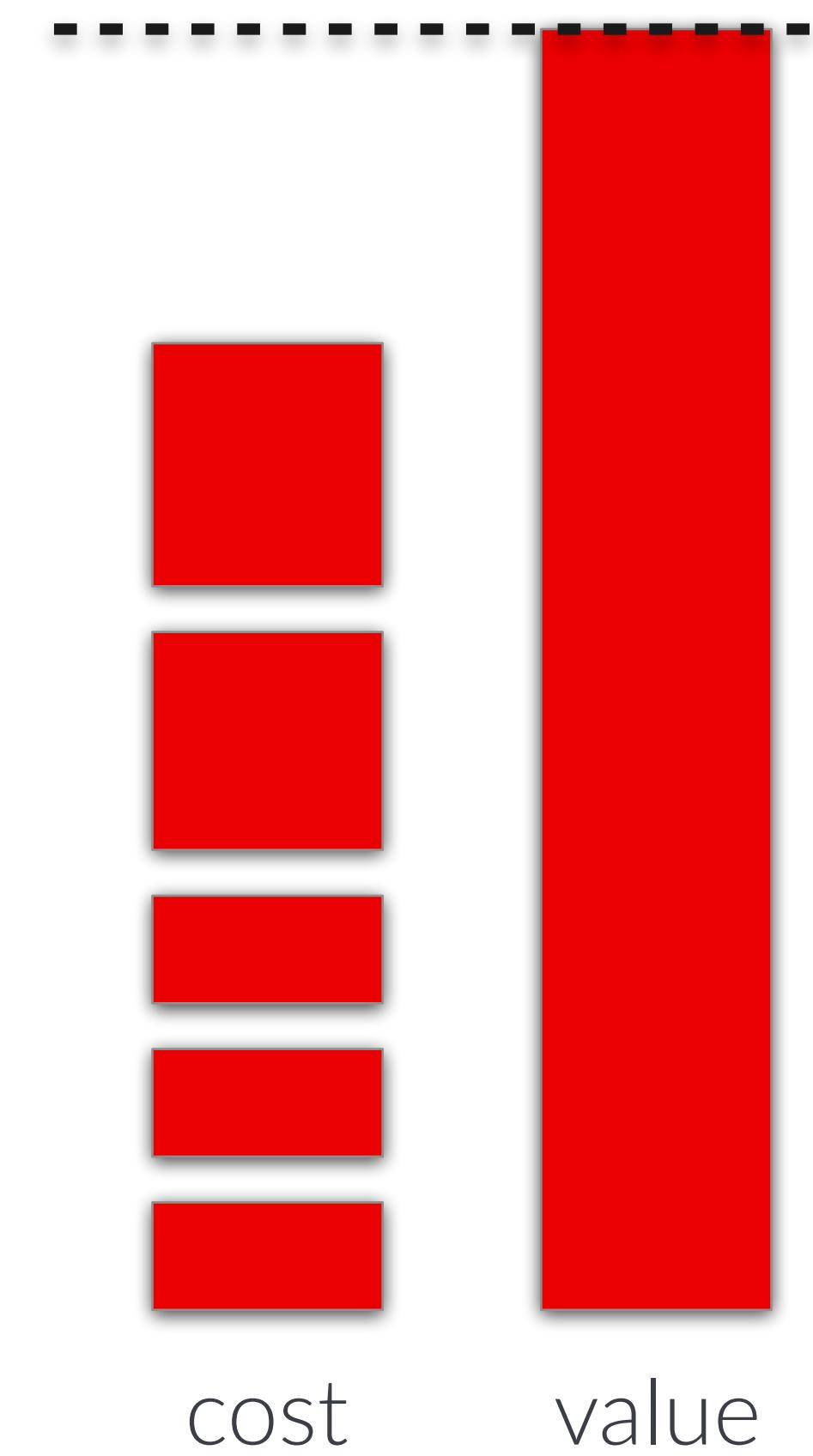
Any defense increases the cost by forcing a generational shift.



With enough defense cost vs value tips in your favor



The cost of entry for each generation decreases over time.



While the value of successful attacks only goes up.



And every generation necessitates new defenses.

which means sophistication
is growing **rapidly**



Security is a gradient of friction (attack cost)



**Cheap
to attack**

**Costly
to attack**

Don't patch anything ever?



Cheap
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Costly
to attack

You're making it easy for script kiddies to attack you.

Patch within 3 months?

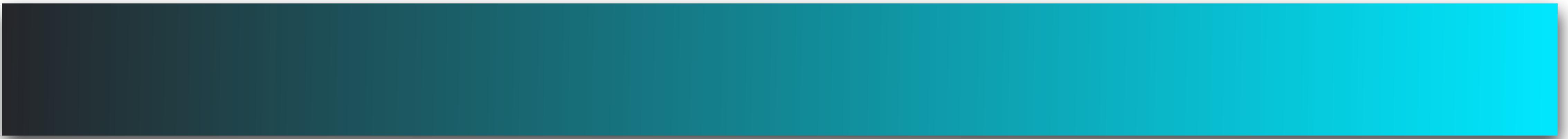


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Then you're only vulnerable to the latest threat
for a 3 month window.

Patch on day 0?



Cheap
to attack

Costly
to attack

You drive attackers to find their own vulnerabilities.

It's OK to not be here all the time!

It's expensive!



But you need to know the tradeoffs.

Some threats can't be patched away.

The OWASP Automated Threats are attacks that abuse inherent functionality.

OWASP Automated Threats

- OAT-020 Account Aggregation
- OAT-019 Account Creation
- OAT-003 Ad Fraud
- OAT-009 CAPTCHA Defeat
- OAT-010 Card Cracking
- OAT-001 Carding
- OAT-012 Cashing Out
- OAT-007 Credential Cracking
- OAT-008 Credential Stuffing
- OAT-021 Denial of Inventory
- OAT-015 Denial of Service
- OAT-006 Expediting
- OAT-004 Fingerprinting
- OAT-018 Footprinting
- OAT-005 Scalping
- OAT-011 Scraping
- OAT-016 Skewing
- OAT-013 Sniping
- OAT-017 Spamming
- OAT-002 Token Cracking
- OAT-014 Vulnerability Scanning

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CREDENTIAL STUFFING

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The replay of breached username/password pairs across sites to find accounts where passwords have been reused.

A STEP BY STEP GUIDE

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Get Credentials

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Automate Login

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Defeat Automation Defenses

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Distribute Globally

CREDENTIAL STUFFING

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1. Get Credentials

Bookmarks People Window Help

RF Collection #1-5 & Zabagur & A... X +

https://raidforums.com/Thread-Collection-1-5-Zabagur-AntiPublic-Latest-120GB-1TB-TOTAL-Leaked-Download

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Need proof? The layout is same as troy's, size is same, + here's original sales thread from owner:

Folders & Size

Collection	Size
Collection #1	87.18 GB
Collection #2	526.11 GB
Collection #3	37.18 GB
Collection #4	178.58 GB
Collection #5	42.79 GB
AP MYR&ZABUGOR #2	24.53 GB
ANTIPUBLIC #1	102.04 GB

(Blurred as the owner is under a lot of heat right now due to the exposure of this, so done out of respect, not that I care or anything just don't want drama).

Collection #1 to #5 in .torrent form thanks to user @neob and every seeder.

Hidden Content:
Unlock for 8 credits.

CREDENTIAL STUFFING

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1. Get Credentials

The image shows a Twitter profile for the account **checkmydump**. The profile picture is a heraldic shield divided into four quadrants: yellow (top-left), white (top-right), purple (bottom-left), and green (bottom-right). The yellow quadrant contains a black fist icon with the text "1%". The white quadrant contains a black speech bubble icon. The purple quadrant contains a white computer keyboard icon. The green quadrant contains a black bottle icon with the number "10". The bio reads: "I am the Check My Dump robot, I post interesting things I find to twitter. Creator: @moonbas3". The location is listed as USA, and the account was joined in June 2016. A circular badge on the left indicates there is one new tweet.

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checkmydump @checkmydump · 2h
2000 New credentials found: pastebin.com/raw/12JK1xbu

checkmydump @checkmydump · 3h
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checkmydump @checkmydump · 4h
522 New credentials found: pastebin.com/raw/fqrkwvqW

checkmydump @checkmydump · 5h
698 New credentials found: pastebin.com/raw/WW847ubf

Tweets **15.2K** **Followers** **551** **Follow**

Tweets **Tweets & replies** **Media**

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Sign up now to get your own personalized timeline!

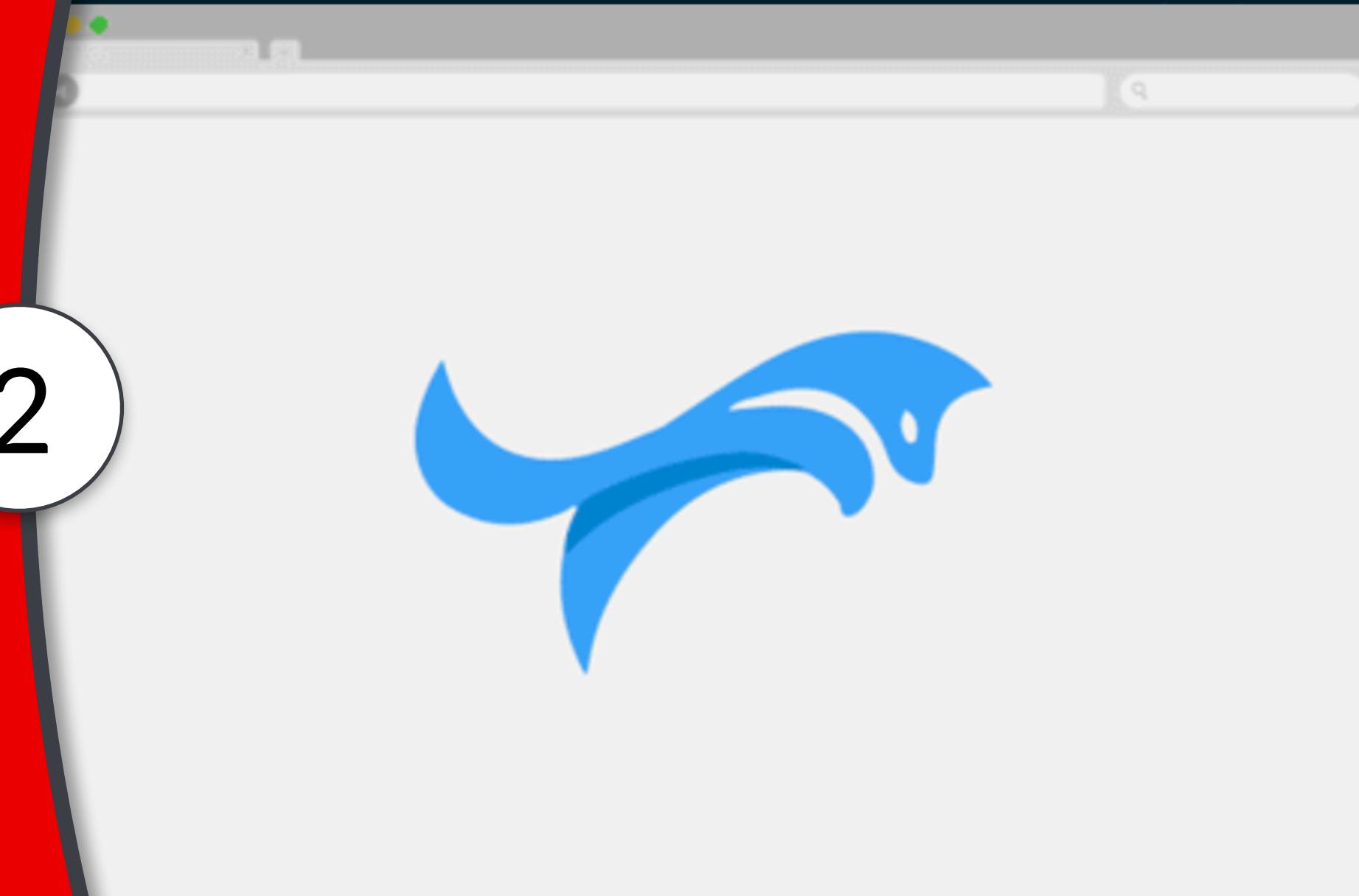
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ULTIMATE INTERNET PRIVACY

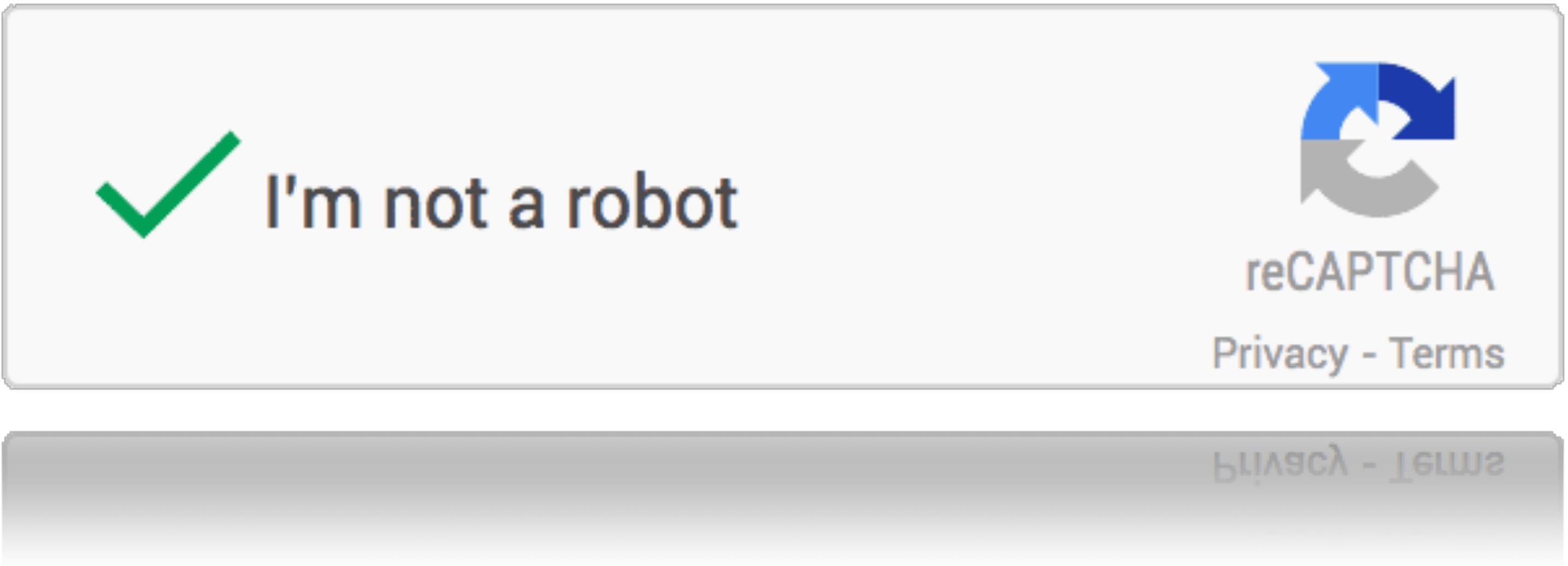
VIRTUAL MACHINE BASED SOLUTION TO BEAT
BROWSER FINGERPRINTING



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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the title bar "XEvil: Home". The URL in the address bar is "https://xevil.net/en/". The main content area features the XEvil logo and navigation links for "Home", "Features", "to Web masters", "F.A.Q.", and "Contacts". Below the navigation is a descriptive text block about XEvil's capabilities, mentioning its ability to recognize various CAPTCHA types including Google ReCaptcha v.1 and v.2, Solve Media, Facebook-captcha, etc. It also highlights its speed and cost-effectiveness compared to commercial services like AntiGate. A large green "Download" button with a downward arrow icon is prominently displayed. To the right, there is a thumbnail for a video titled "XEvil 4.0: new program for Captcha", featuring a purple user icon and a play button.

XEvil – easy, fast and flexible tool for automatic recognition of most type of CAPTCHA's (included so hard captchas like Google ReCaptcha v.1 and v.2, Solve Media, Facebook-captcha, etc.).

The application replaces such services as AntiGate (Anti-Captcha), RuCaptcha, DeCaptcha, etc., and at the same time it provides for higher recognition velocity (in 10 times) and is completely free of charge.

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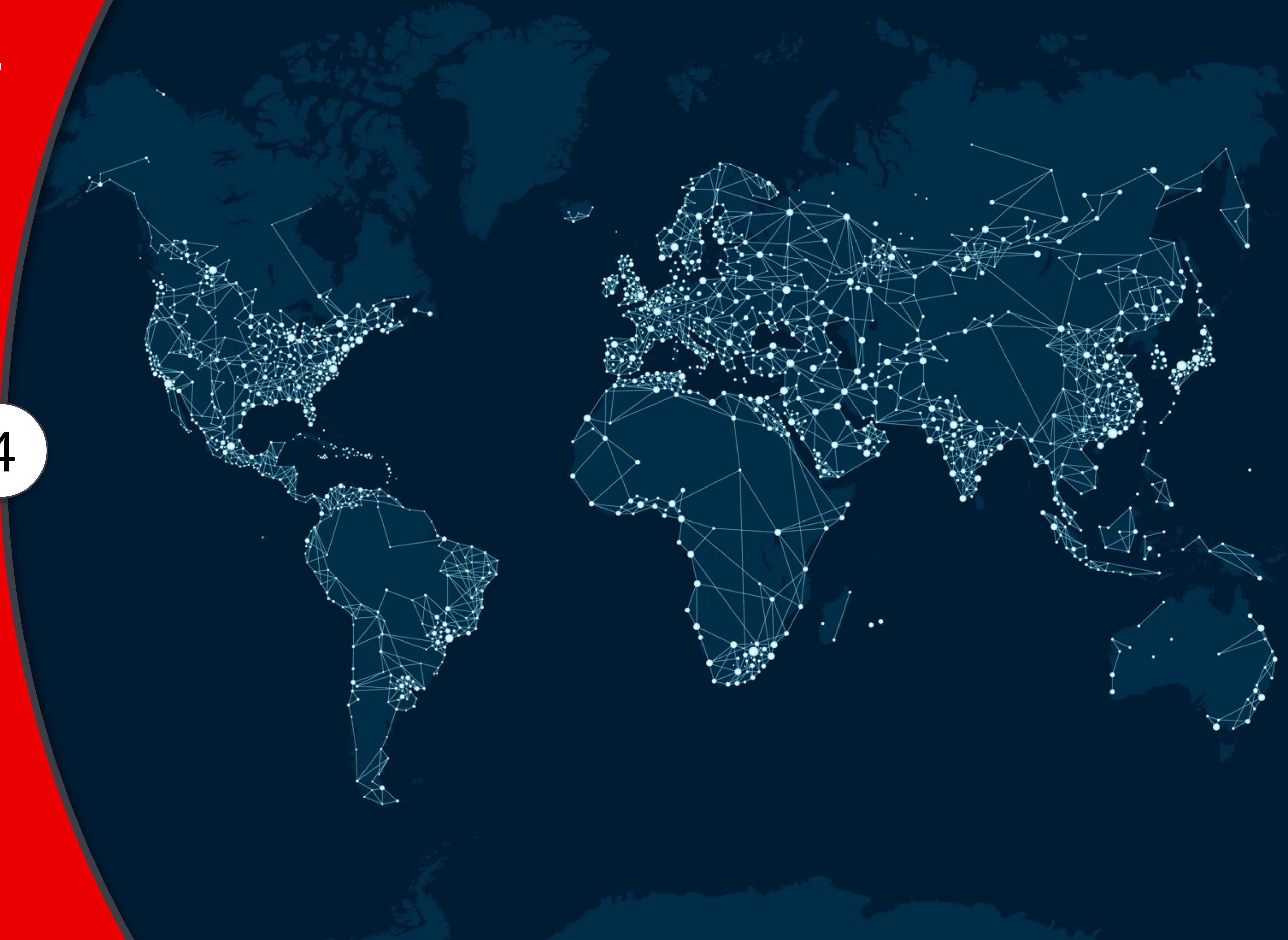
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XEvil 4.0: new program for Captcha

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4. Distribute



- \$0 : 2.3 billion credentials
- \$50 : for tool configuration
- \$139 : for 100,000 CAPTCHAs
- \$10 : for 1000 global IPs



Less than \$200
for 100,000 ATO
attempts

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Balance: \$0.00
In cart: 0 (\$0)

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UPDATE: trikk, WTS, logs

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Values range between a couple dollars to >\$150

Success rate is around 0.2% - 2%

Cost per attempt is less than \$0.002

**You're looking at a return with a low
of 100% to a high of 150000%+**

This is not where we want to be.



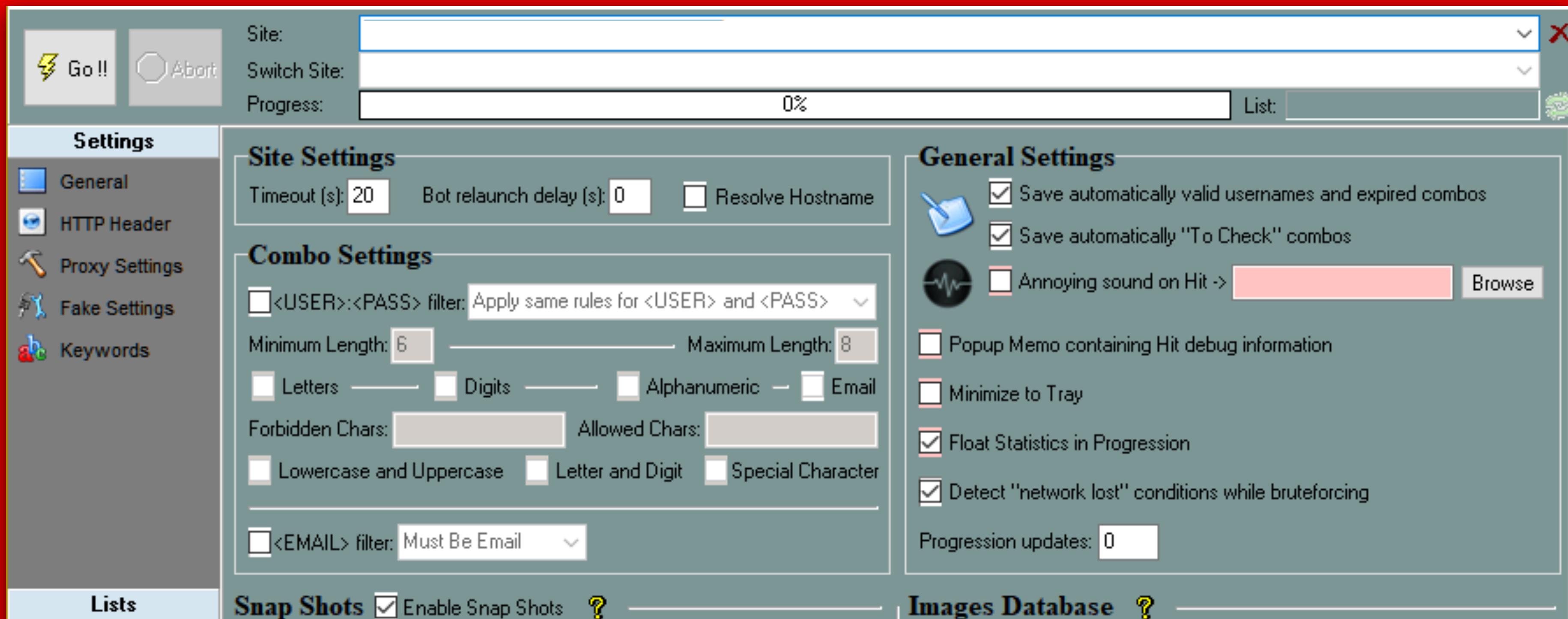


Evolution is constant here.

The value is so great that it is fueling rapid iteration.

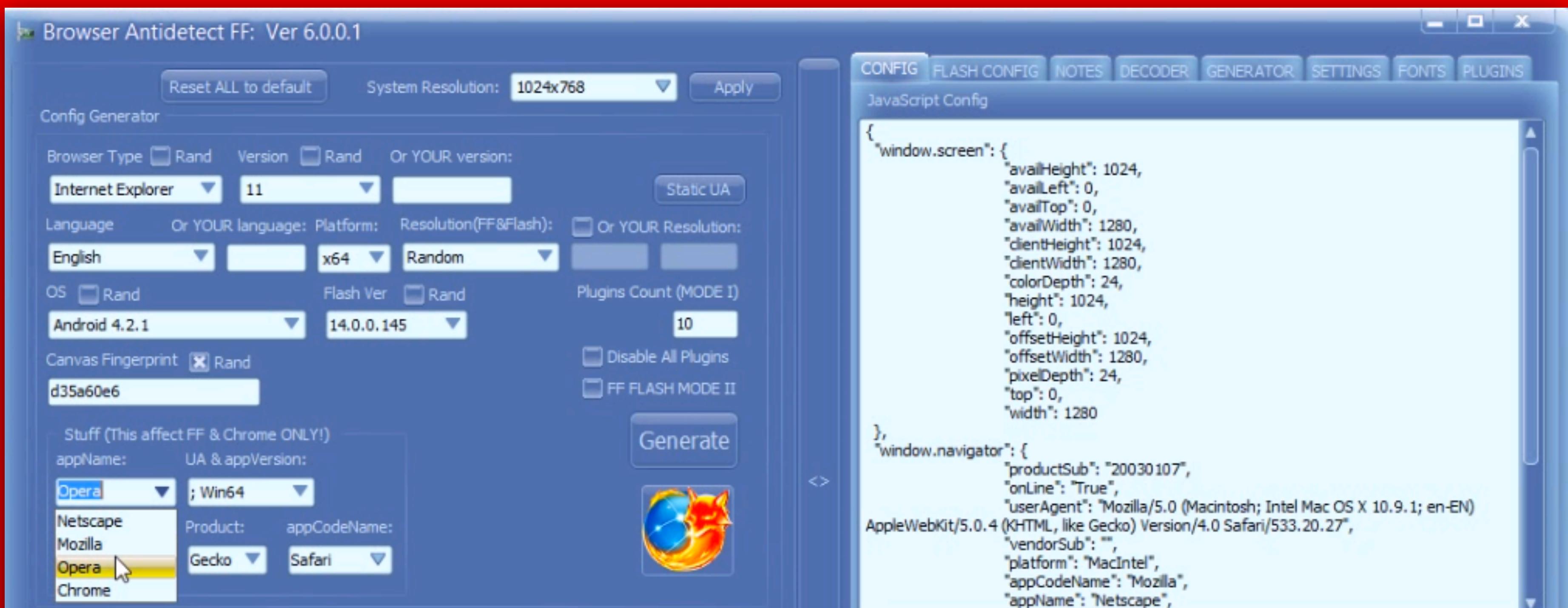
SentryMBA

- Basic HTTP requests.
- Extensible and highly configurable.
- Tailored towards specific attack use cases.



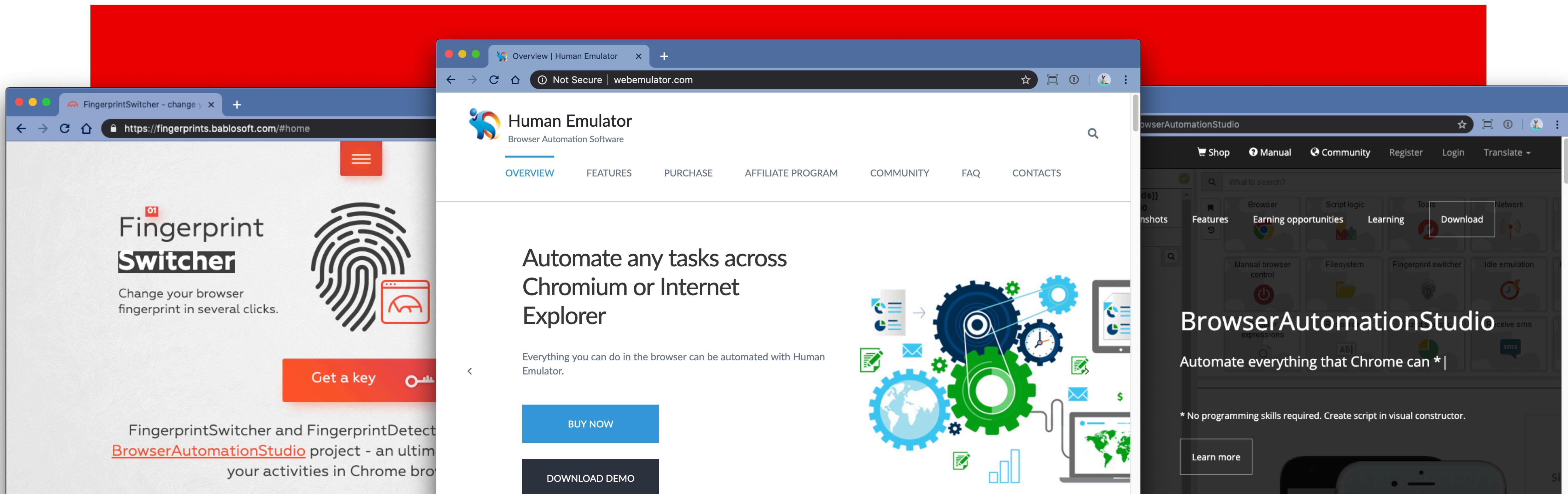
Browser AntiDetect

- Extension for FireFox and Chrome.
- Randomizes fingerprintable data points.
- Designed specifically to blend in.



Loads more

All pushing towards imitating real users with real behavior looking like they are using real devices coming from legitimate networks.



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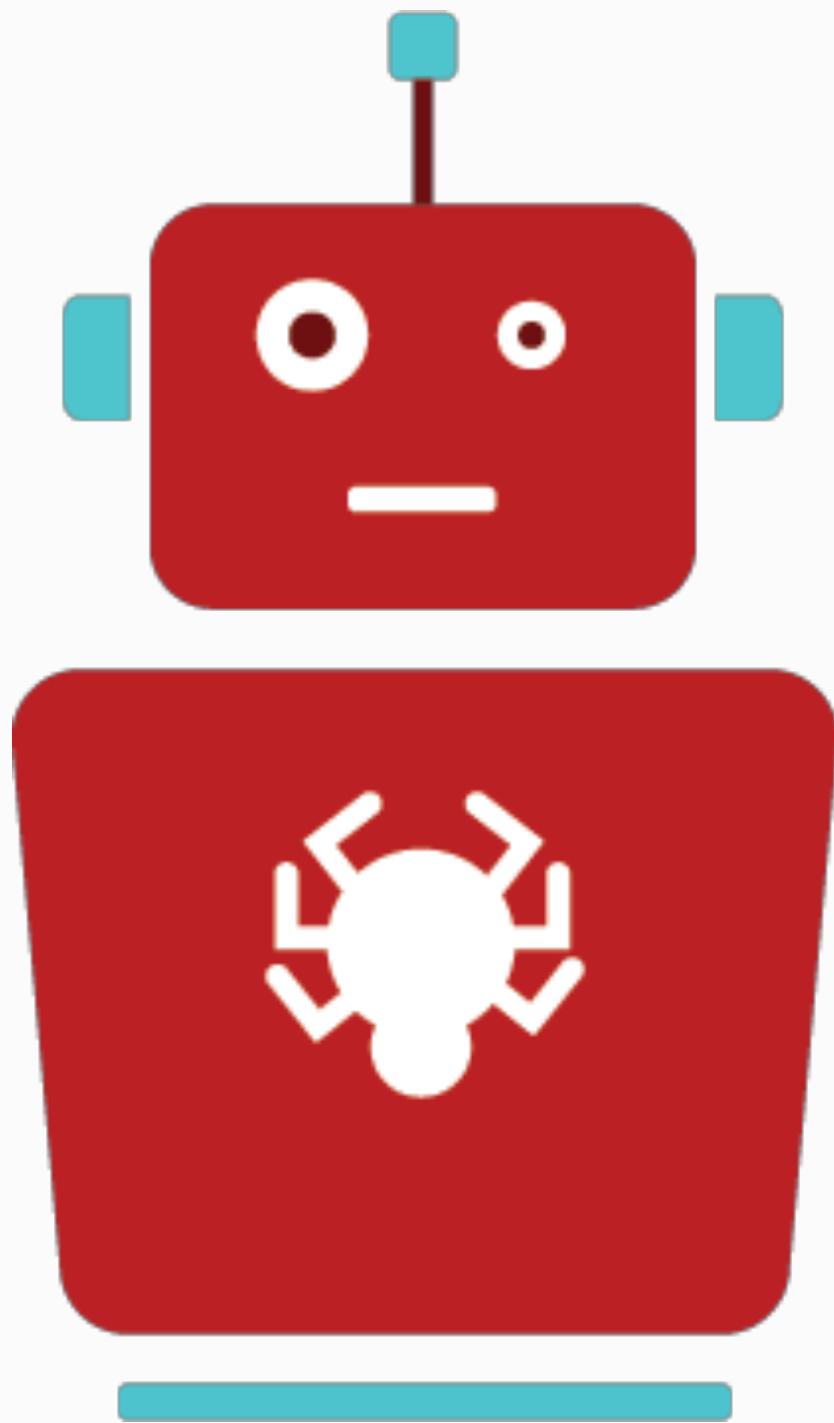
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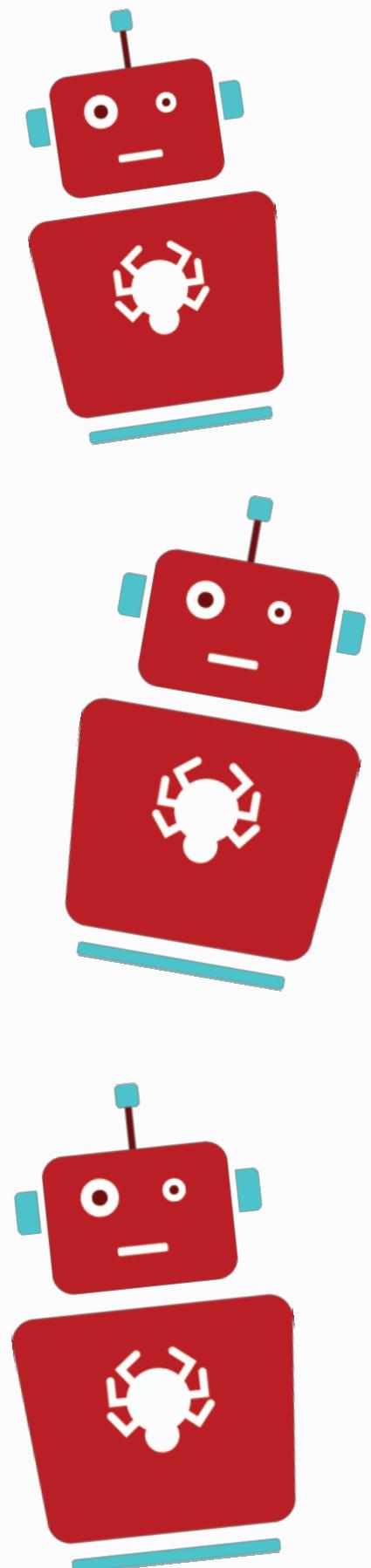
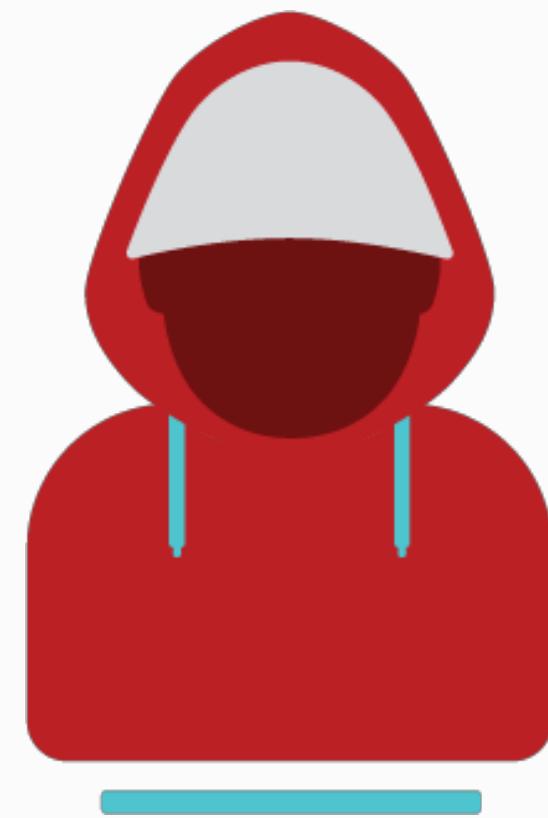
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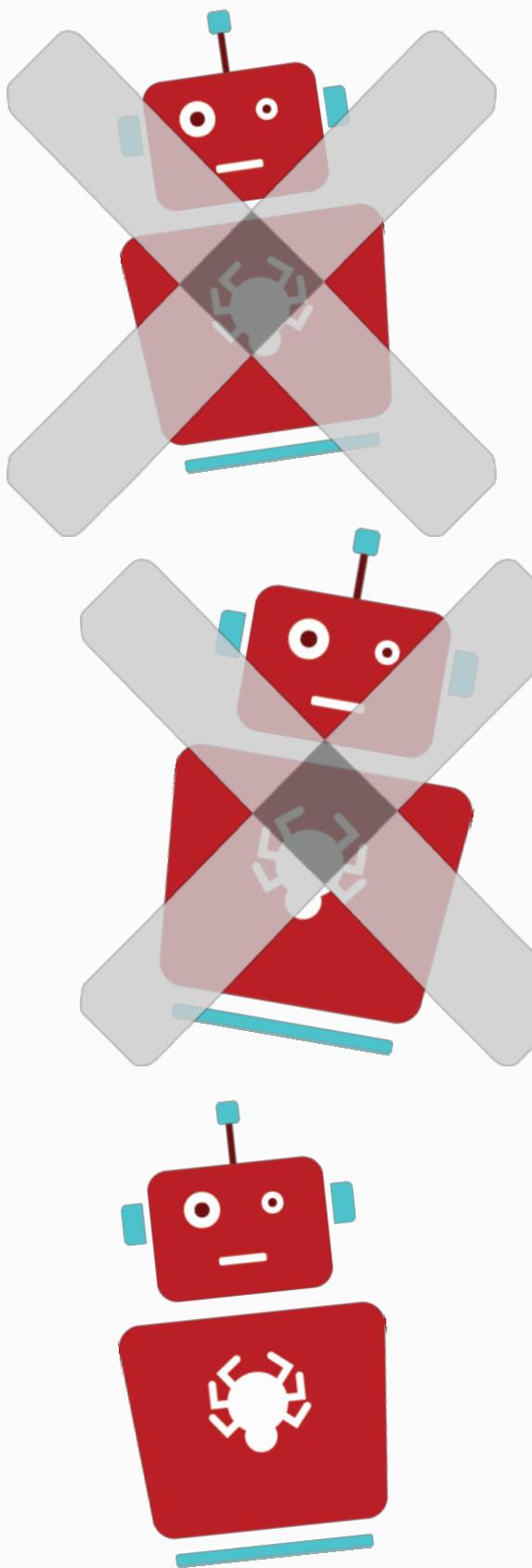
Millions of marketing dollars talk about
bots and botnets...

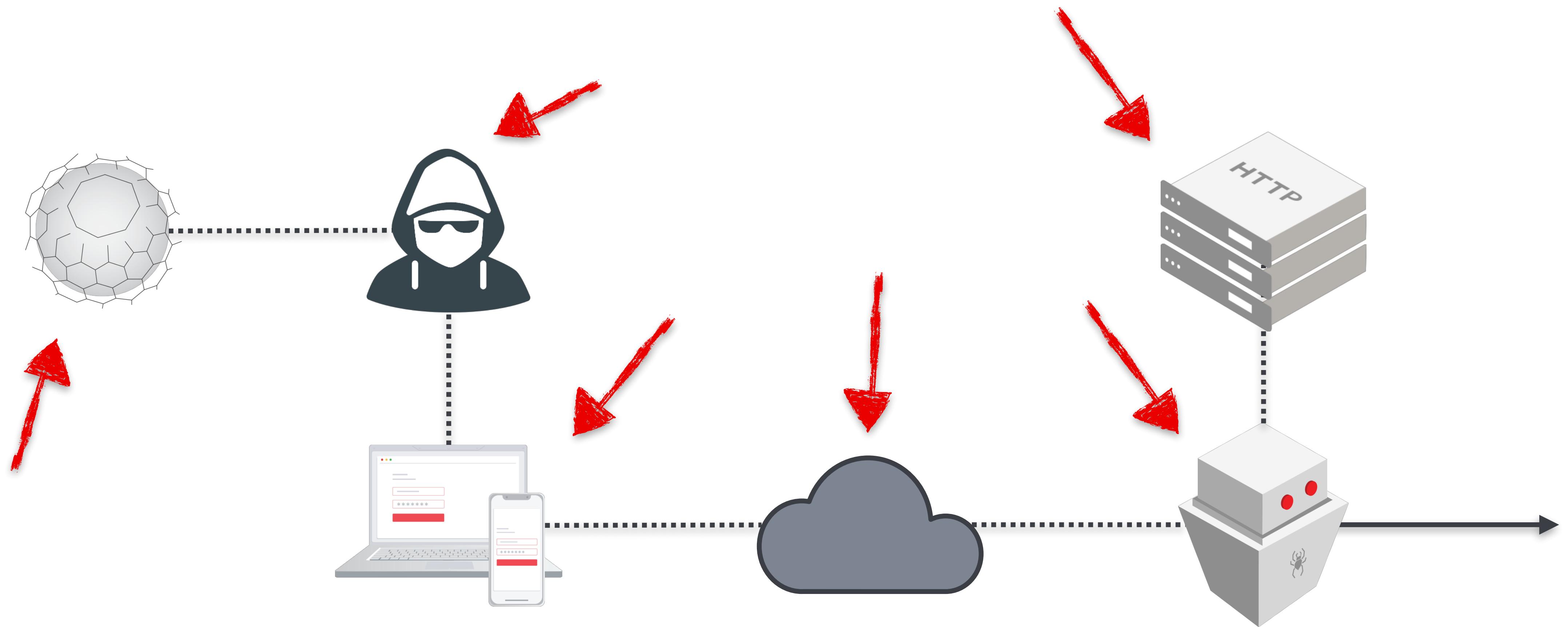


These are just symptoms, not the cause.



Treating the symptom won't fix the problem





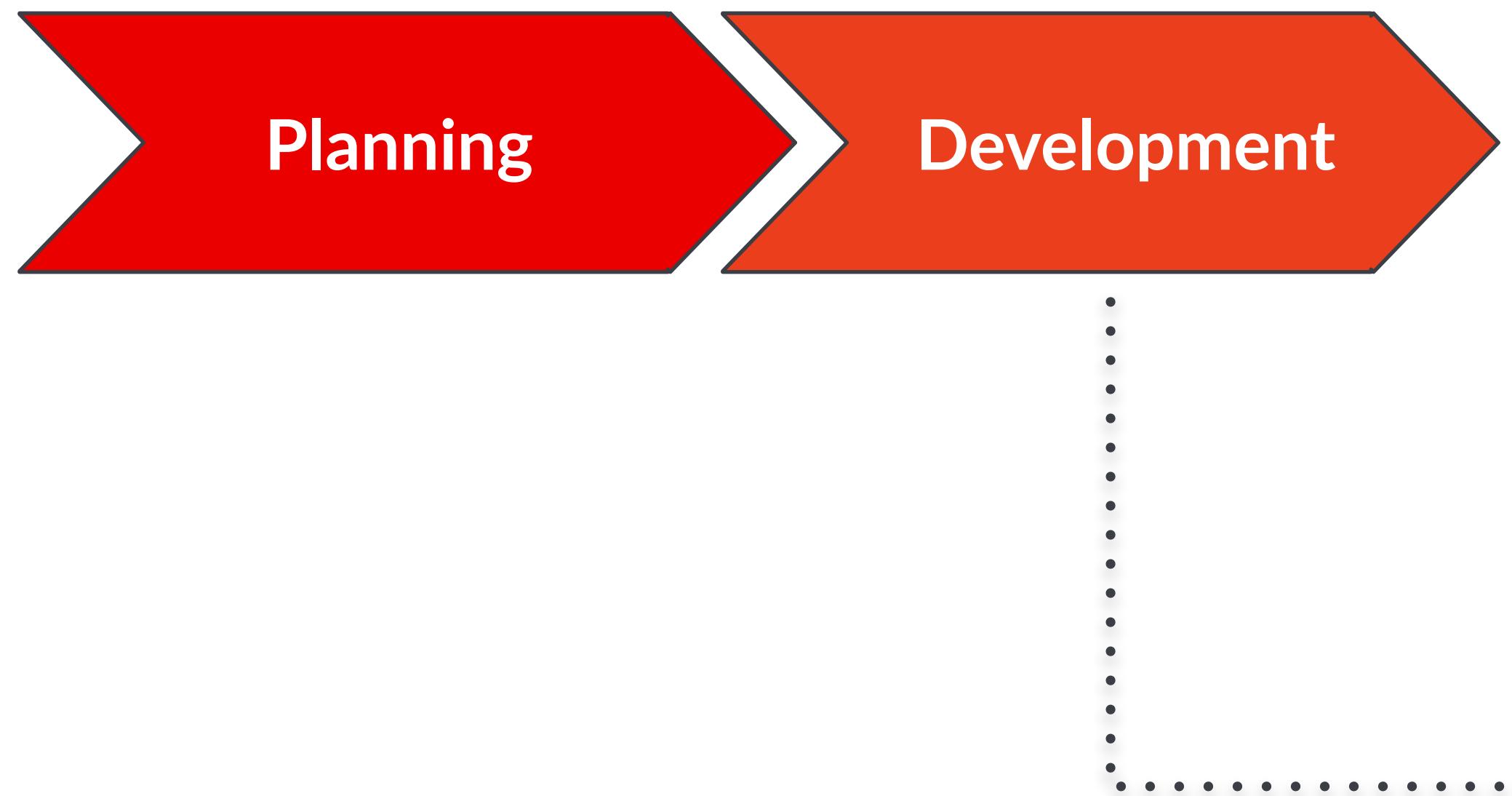
It's not as simple as blocking an IP or a script or a bot or any symptom.
It's targeting what will cost the attacker the most. Over and over again.

The Software Development Lifecycle



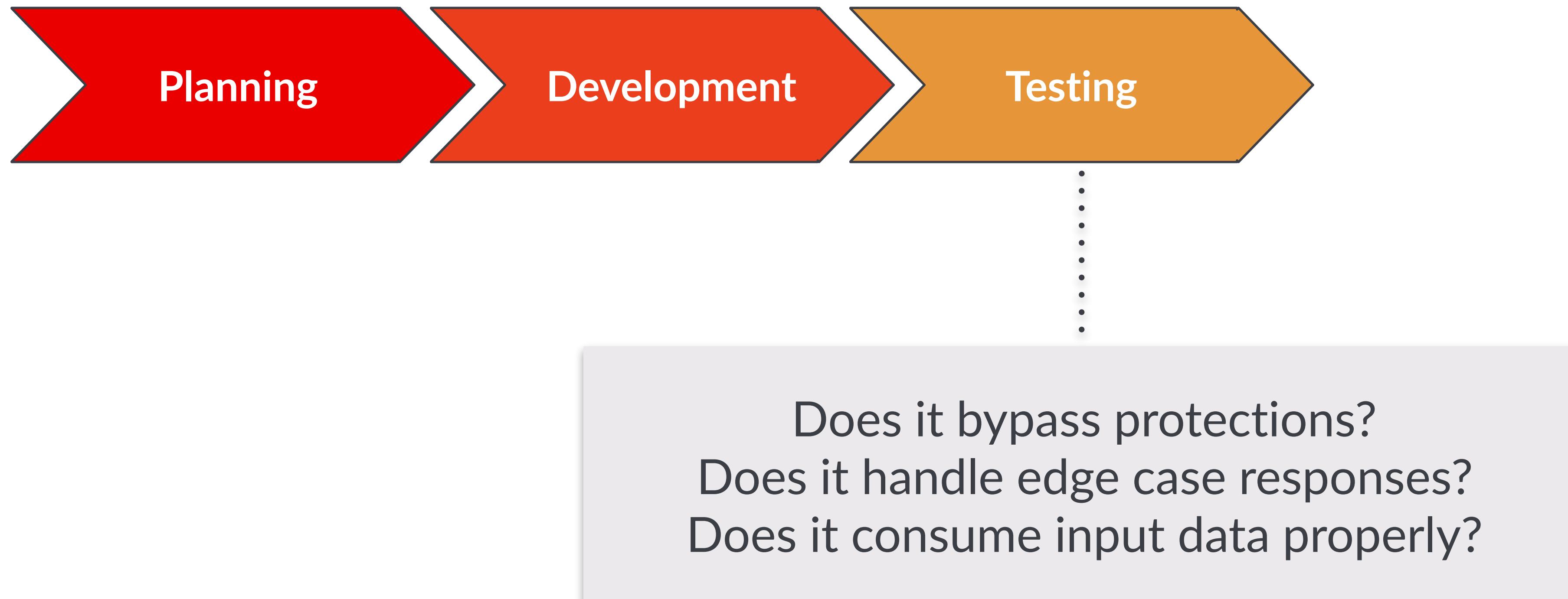
What tools work, what don't?
What URLs need to be targeted?
What data do I need?

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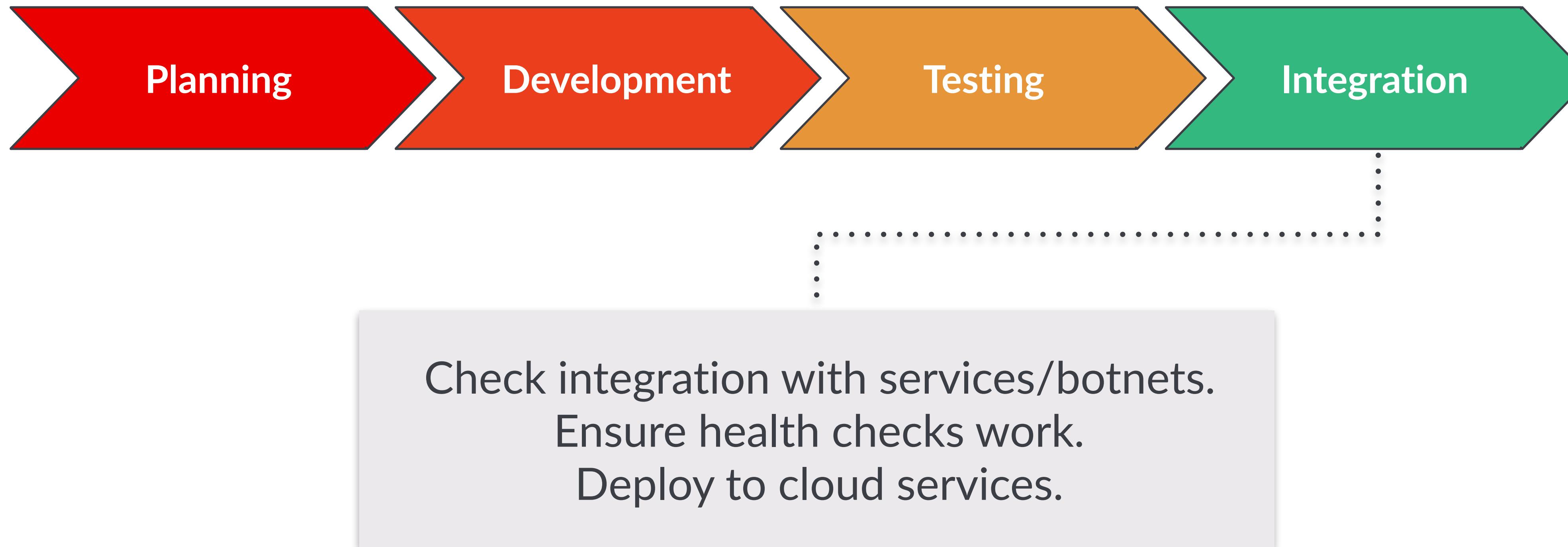


Investment in a framework of choice.
Custom development against a site.
Building in proxy/botnet hooks.

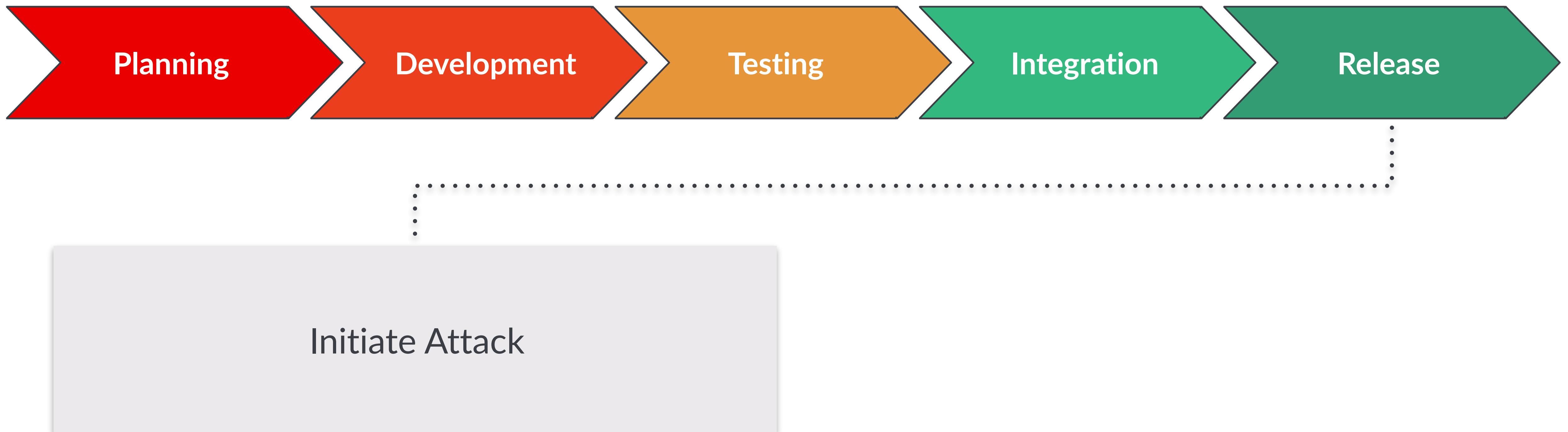
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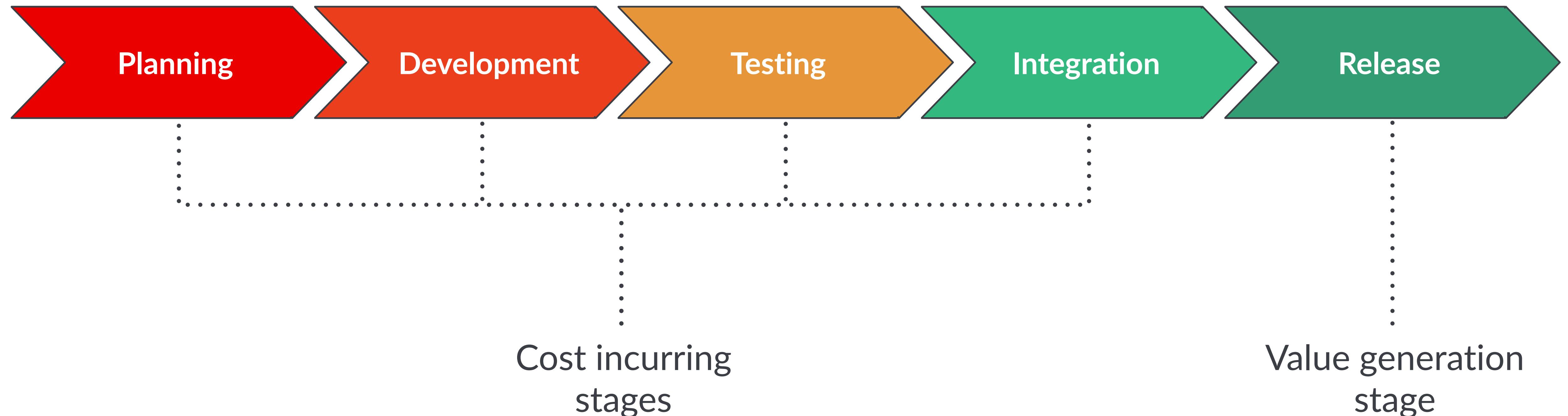
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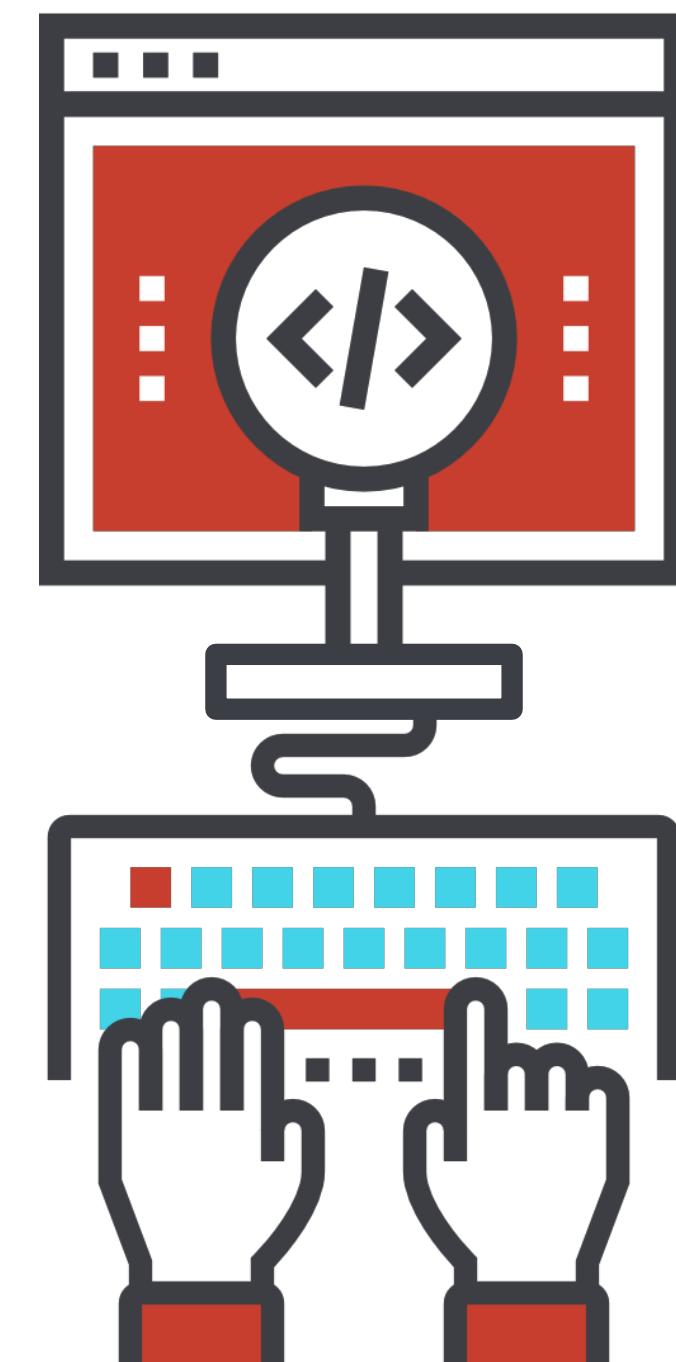
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Case Study (circa 2015)



Github Kiddie

Scenario

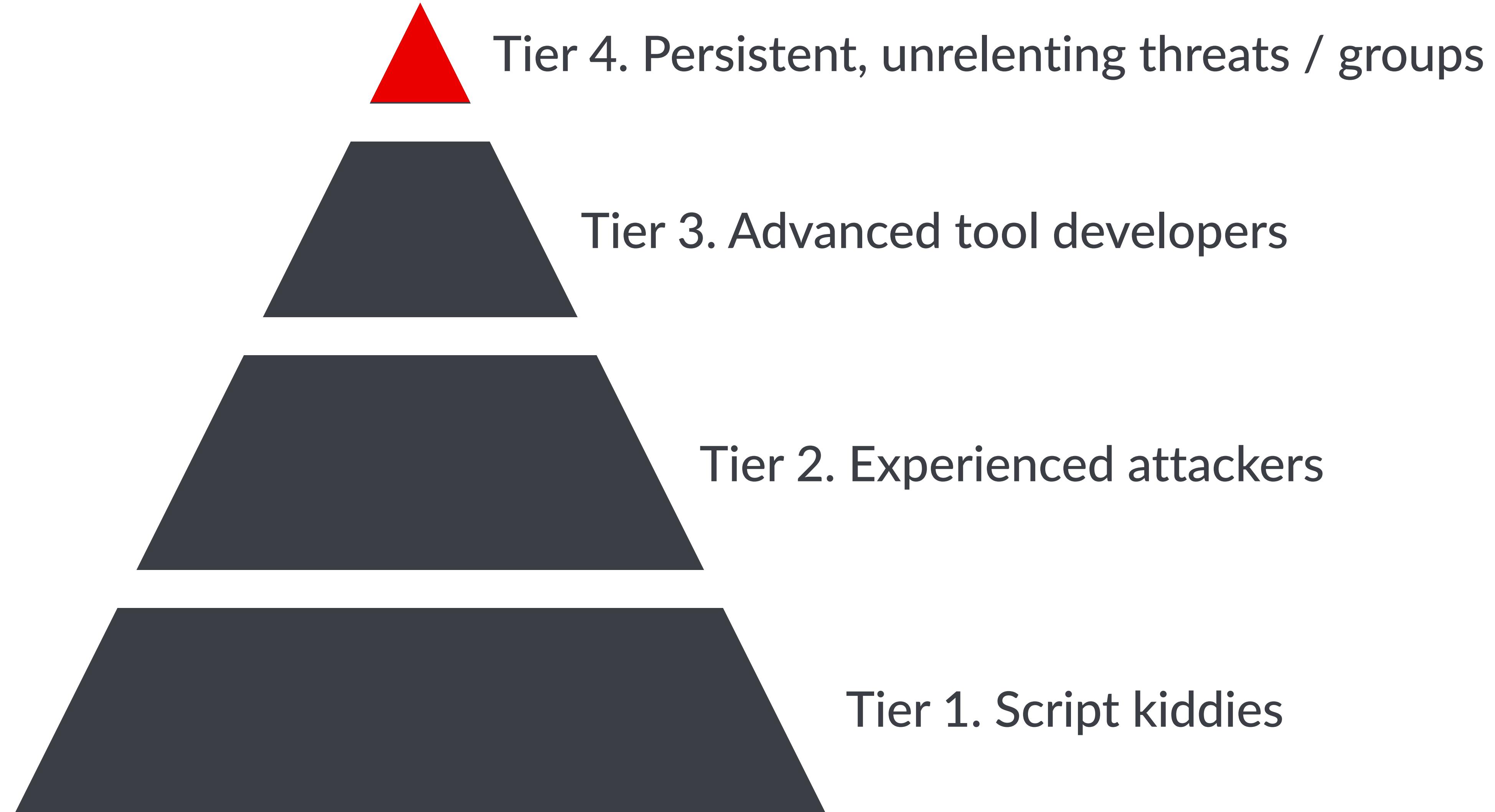


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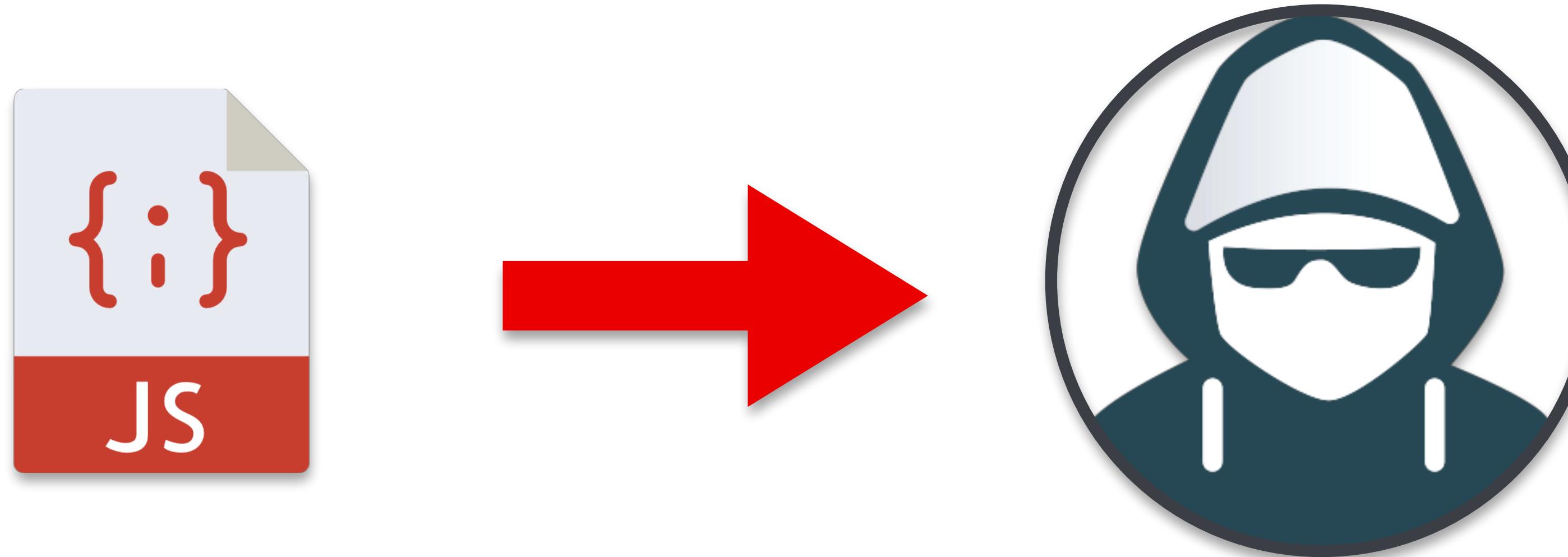
Credential Stuffer
and Account taker-overer

Big US Retailer



This attacker was a sophisticated, dedicated attacker.
They had been attacking and retooling for months on end, despite blocks.

We sent the attacker a targeted, custom payload.



This allowed us to inspect the attacker's retooling effort in real time.



```
> function doBadStuff() {  
    if (iCanHazAccounts) {  
        stealAllAccounts();  
    } else {  
        injectMaliciousScripts();  
    }  
}
```

We saw the code as it was changed. Comments, logs, typos and all.

```
// console.log(`intercepted at ${Date.now()}`);
console.log("createElement called");
```

The plan

1

Build up defenses based on the tool being used.

2

Provide variable feedback during retooling phase.

3

Turn on just enough to be infuriating. No more, no less.

4

Generalize the work so it can be repeated in the future.



How much does it cost to attack you?

Address weak spots



Audit your versions, your dependencies, your network exposure. Remove all low-hanging fruit.

Hack yourself



Repeat



Address weak spots



Hack yourself



Repeat



Understand how easy it is to attack your own properties. Operate and prioritize off of evidence not gut feeling.

Address weak spots



Hack yourself



Repeat



The landscape evolves constantly. This needs to be a function that is prioritized quarterly at least.

Thank You!

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