



Invetter: Locating Insecure Input Validations in Android Services

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System Services of Android

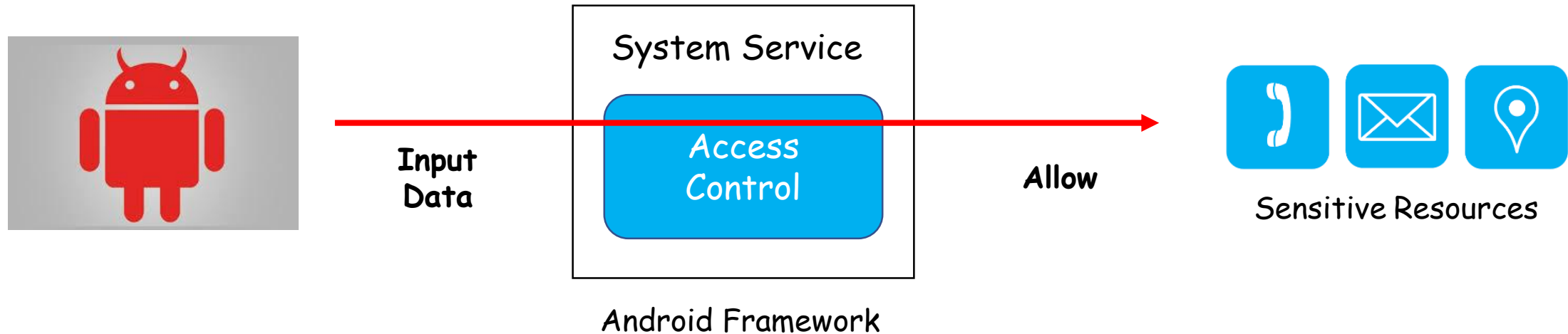
- Perform sensitive operations
 - Window service, Location service, Notification service, etc.



Motivation

Android enforces a set of **access controls** to manage sensitive resources

Security flaws in the access controls make them vulnerable to illegal access



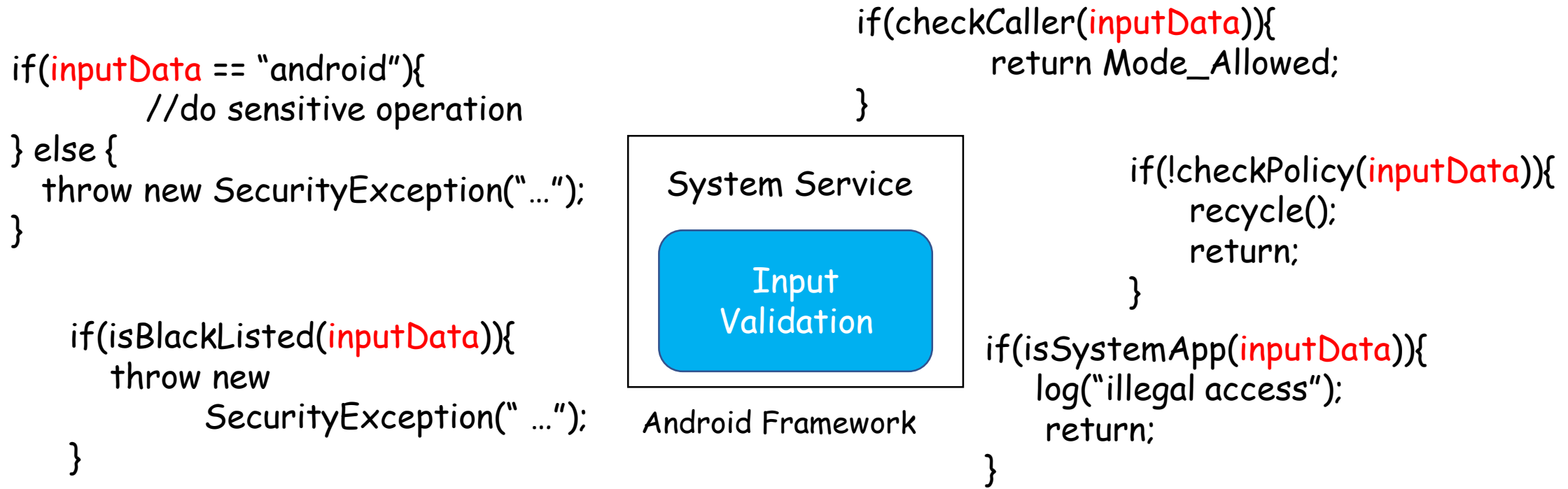
State of the art

- Permission validation is well studied
 - Kratos: Discovering Inconsistent Security Policy Enforcement in the Android Framework. NDSS (2016).
 - Harvesting Inconsistent Security Configurations in Customized Android Roms via Differential Analysis. USENIX (2016).
 - AceDroid: Normalizing Diverse Android Access Control Checks for Inconsistency Detection. NDSS(2018)
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However, an unstudied research area :

Input validation of Android services ?

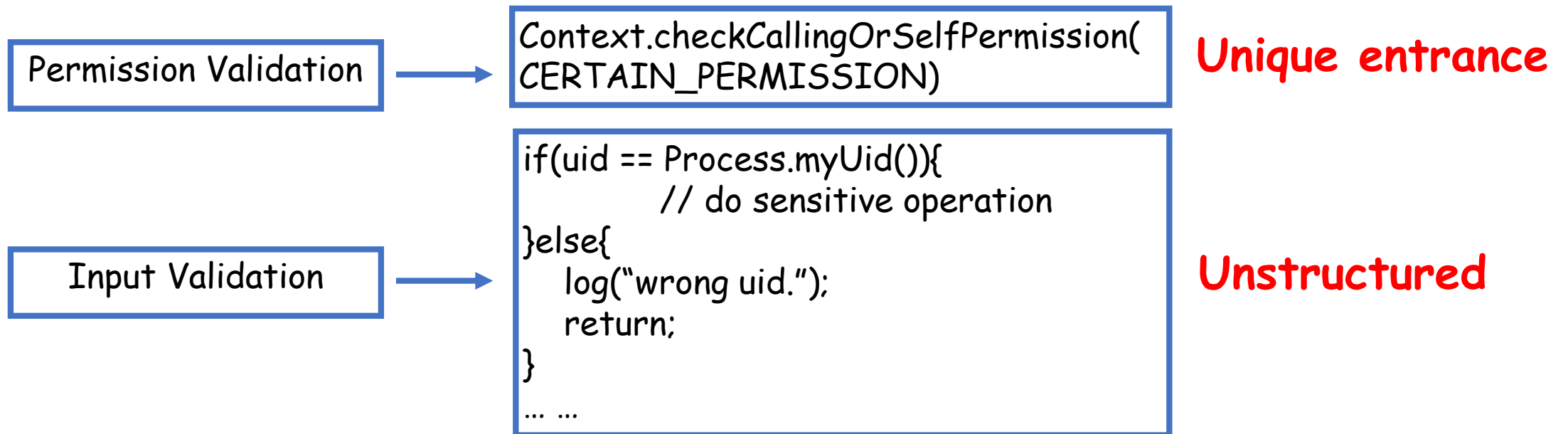
Android Input Validation



- Our work
 - The first study of the secure use of **sensitive input validations** in Android framework

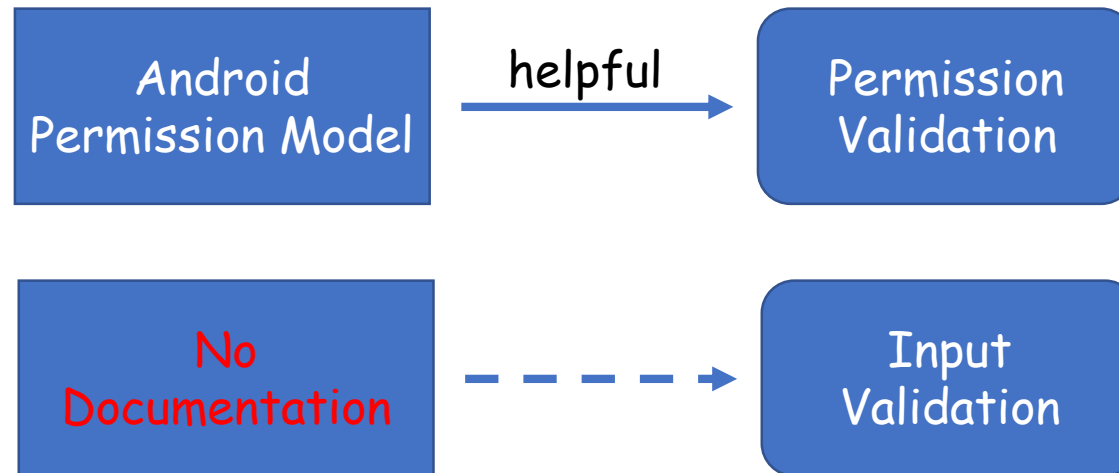
Locating Sensitive Input Validation is Difficult

- Unstructured
 - Any parameter may lead to a sensitive input validation
 - Various text strings in parameter



Locating Sensitive Input Validation is Difficult

- Ill-defined
 - No documentation
 - No system interface

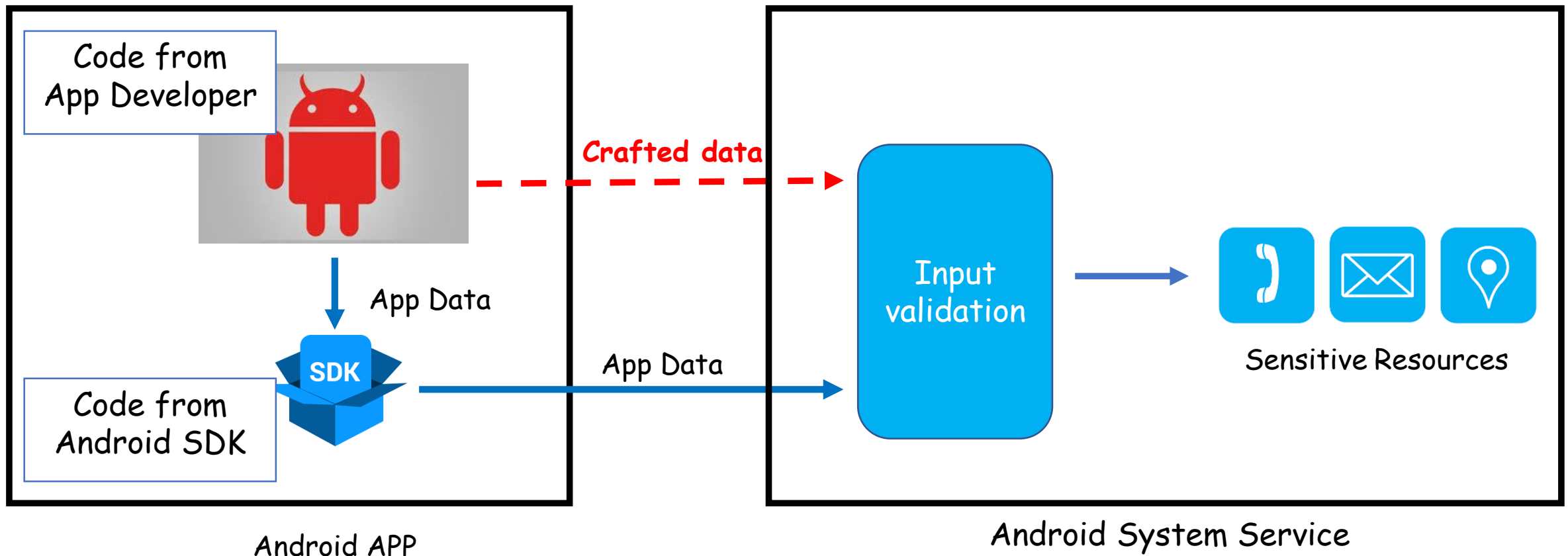


Locating Sensitive Input Validation is Difficult

- Fragmented
 - Any system service (Java class)
 - Any public interface
 - Any branch statement
- In Android 7.0,
 - 6 Java classes for permission validation
 - vs**
 - 173 Java classes for input validation

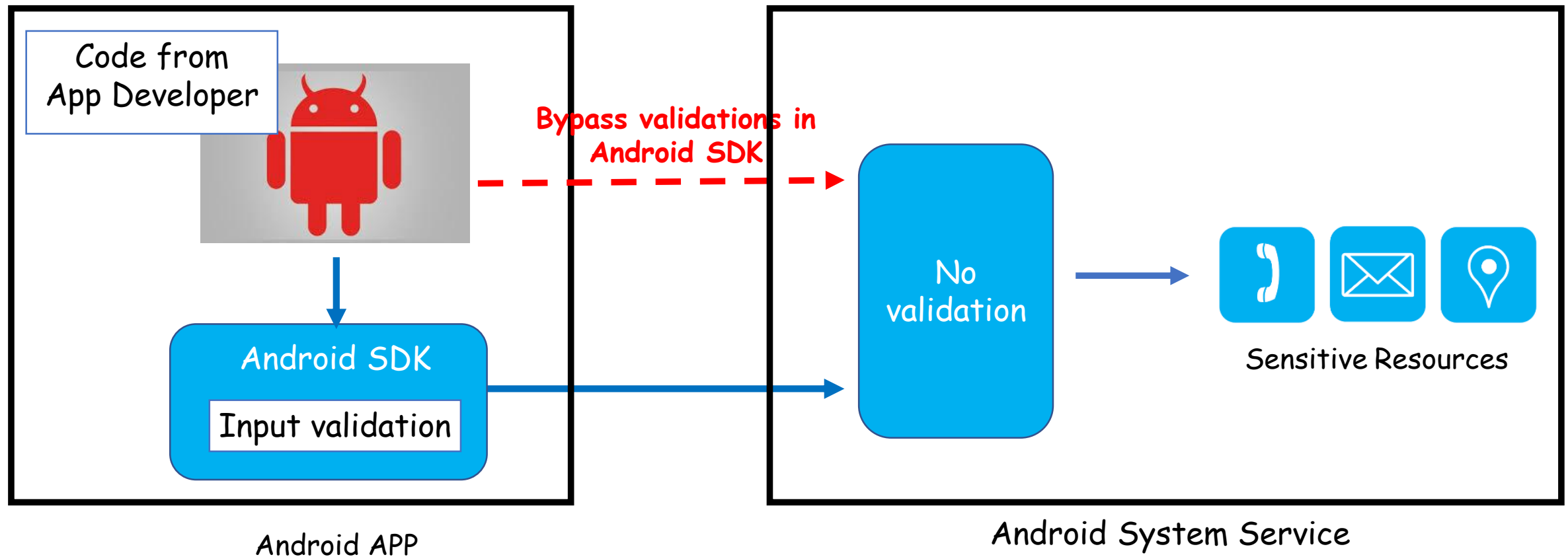
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- Confusions about system security model
 - Incorrectly trusting app supplied data



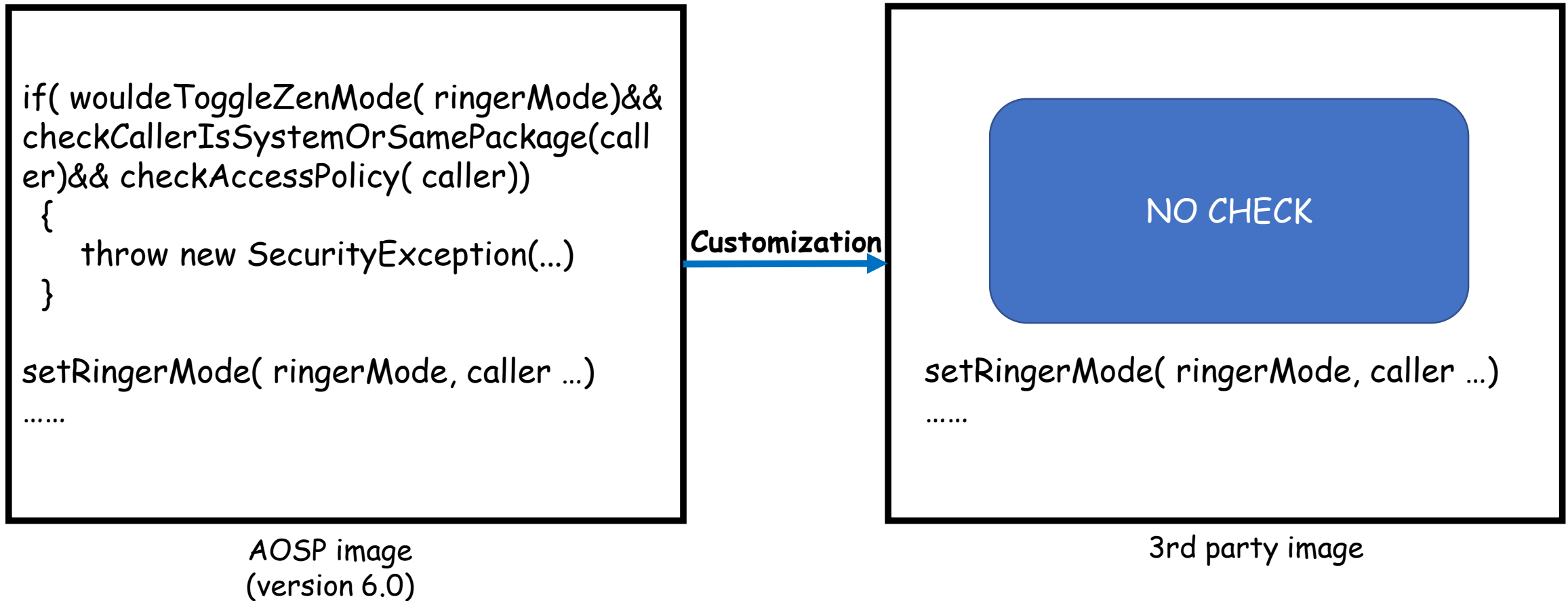
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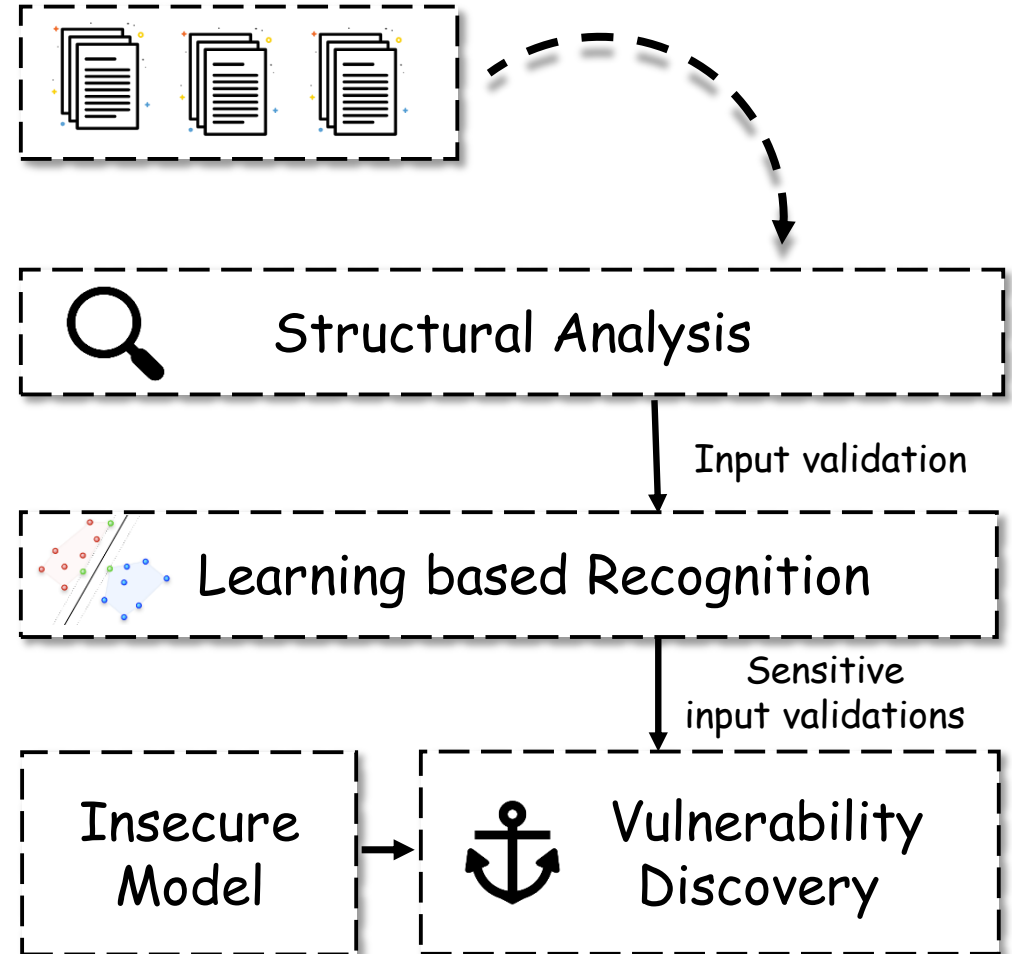
- Weakened validations in customization



Methodology Design

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Android Framework



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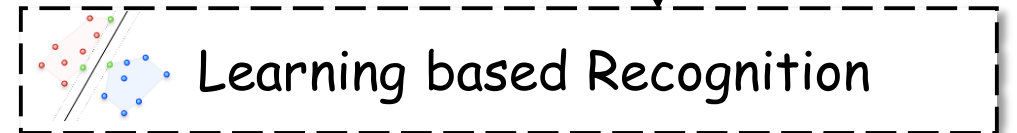
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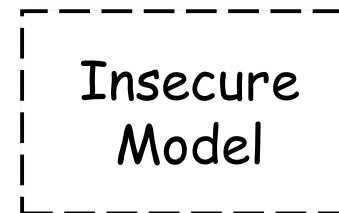
Android Framework



Input validation



Sensitive
input validations



Structural Analysis

- Recognize input validation
 - Key Insight : Input validation terminates its normal execution when the validation fails
 - Termination branch
 - Throw exception ✓ Throw new `SecurityException(...)`
 - Return constant ✓ Return `Mode_Allowed`
 - Log and return ✓ `Log.warn(...)`
 - Recycle and Return ✓ `Recycle()`

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Known sensitive input validation

Adjacent input validation

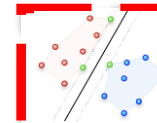
Non-adjacent input validation will be ignored

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Structural Analysis

Input validation



Learning based Recognition

Sensitive input validations

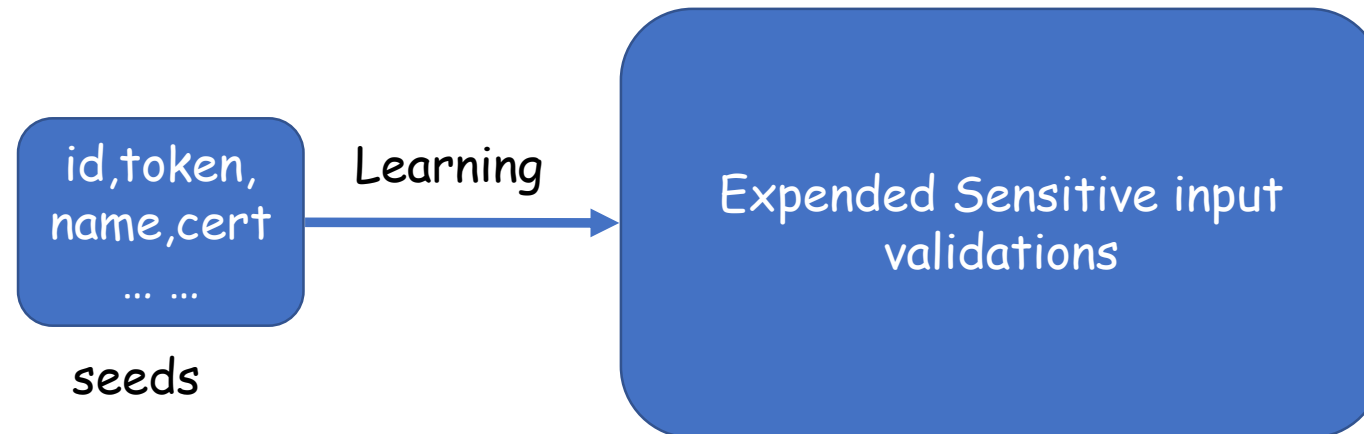
Insecure Model



Vulnerability Discovery

Learning Based Recognition

- Recognize sensitive input validation
 - Key Insight : Sensitive input validations are likely to be verified together
 - Association rule mining
 - If one input validation is adjacent to a sensitive input validation, it is sensitive with a high possibility
 - **Known** sensitive input validations -> **unknown** sensitive input validations



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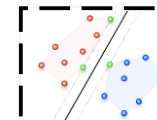
Use input as caller identity

Android Framework



Structural Analysis

Input validation



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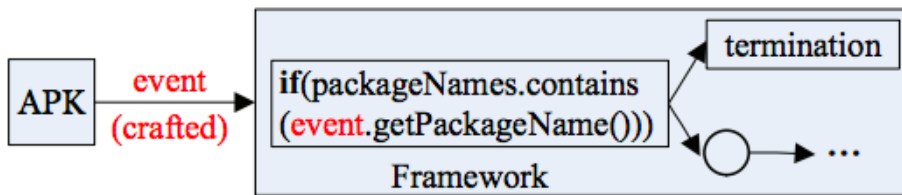
Insecure Model



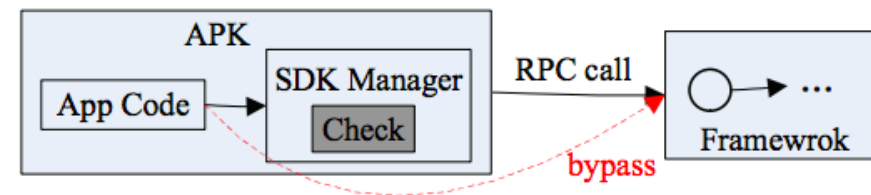
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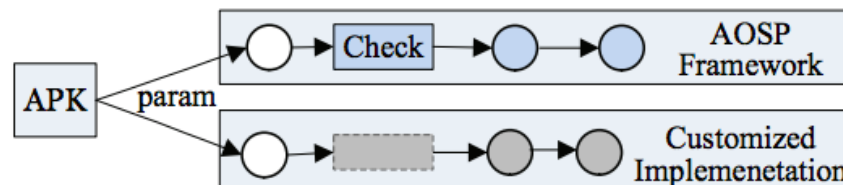
- Insecure model
 - Rule a : Incorrectly trusting app-supplied data
 - App Input -> caller identity
 - Rule b : Incorrectly trusting code in the app process
 - Input validation in Android SDK and not in Android Service
 - Rule c : Weaken validations in customized images
 - Inconsistent validations



(a) Incorrectly trusting app-supplied data



(b) Incorrectly trusting code in the app process

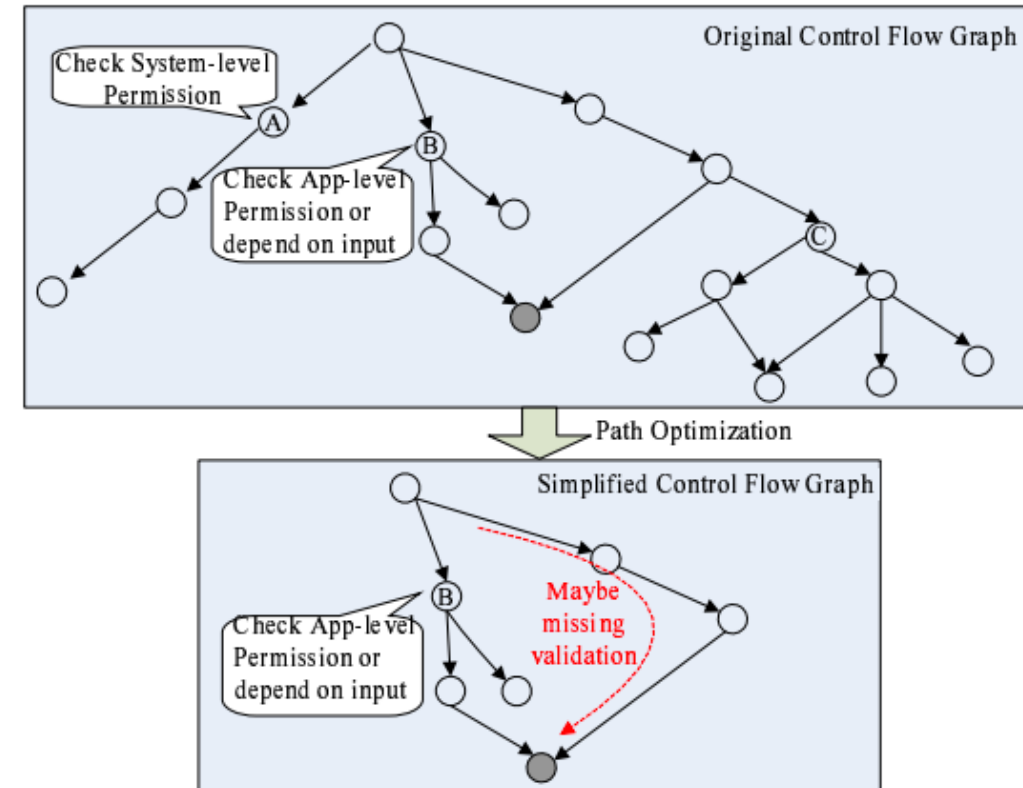


(c) Weakened sensitive input validation in customized images

Vulnerability Discovery

- Static Analysis
 - Implemented on Soot, with about 12,000 lines of Java code
 - Java byte-code level
 - Optimization for Path sensitive analysis
 - Reduce irrelevant nodes
 - Reduce privileged nodes

- Github :
 - <https://github.com/zzzxxxlll/Invetter-os>



Evaluation

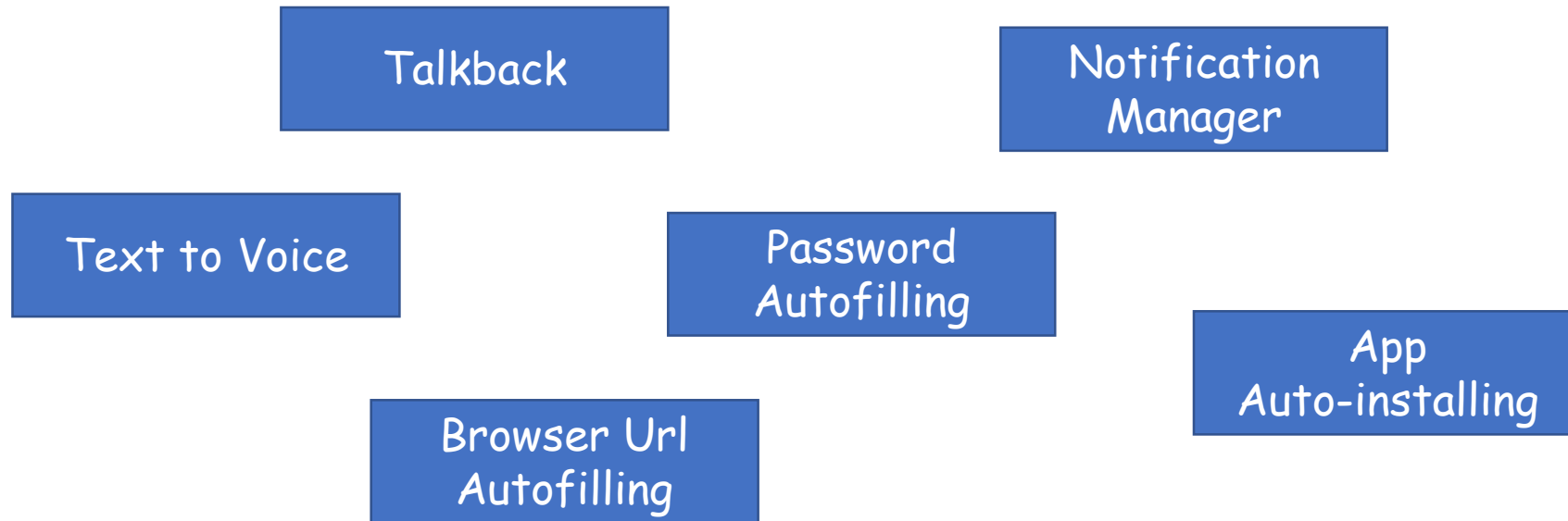
- Overall
 - Statistics about analysis target (on average)
 - 100+ system services
 - 15,000+ java classes
 - 200,000+ if statements
 - CentOS 7 server, with four 8-core 2.0GHz CPUs and 192 GB memory
- Data set
 - 4 AOSP images
 - AOSP 7.1, 7.0, 6.0, 5.0, (AOSP 8.0)
 - 4 customized images
 - Xiaomi Note2 (6.0), Huawei P9(7.0), Huawei Mate9(7.0), Samsung S6(5.0), (Xiaomi Mix2(8.0), Huawei P10(8.0))

Result

- Performance
 - 11.8 hours for 8 images
 - 85 minutes on average
- Precision
 - 103 possible insecure input validations
 - TP = 86
 - Exploitable = 20
- Real World Attacks
 - Privilege escalation = 17
 - Log overflow = 1
 - Privacy leakage = 2
- Demos are illustrated in the online video :
 - https://youtu.be/erLY_OMi4kQ.

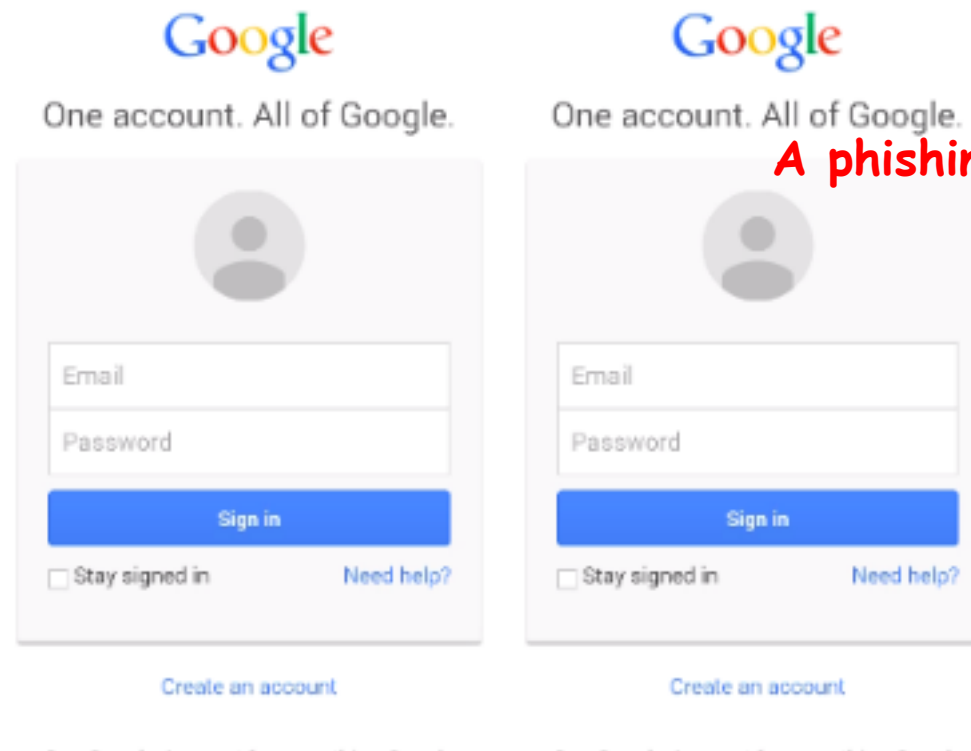
Case Study 1

- Sending arbitrary accessibility event
 - AccessibilityManagerService
 - Use app input to verify caller identity
 - Any app can craft an event with a faked package name



Case Study 2

- Stealthy phishing attack
 - WindowManagerService
 - Inconsistent validations in two execution paths
 - Allow a malware to create crafted Toast message with arbitrary scope of view space



Conclusion

- Invetter
 - A novel technique for identifying insecure input validations
 - Extend scope for finding more authorization vulnerabilities in Android Framework
- Evaluation on 8 Android images in the wild
 - 20 Input-based vulnerabilities in Android system services
 - Weakened access controls in Android customization

超越



再前进一步就是超越

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