

Automated vulnerability scanning and exploitation

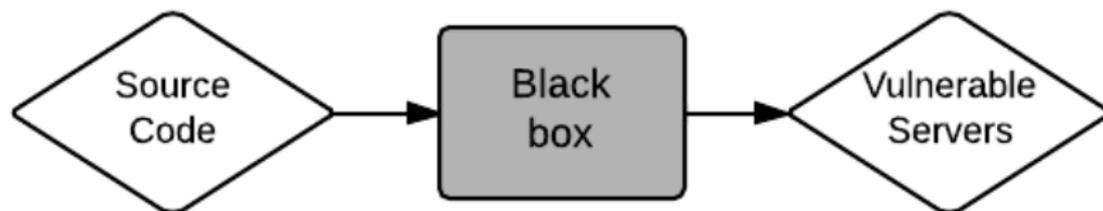
Dennis Pellikaan Thijs Houtenbos

University of Amsterdam
System and Network Engineering

October 22, 2013



- Open Source scripts
- Shared on the internet, can be used by anyone
- Lots of attention for large projects (Wordpress, Joomla, etc)
- What about the rest?



Completely automated system which gathers source code as input and outputs a list of vulnerable servers.

[Advanced](#)

Filters

[Programming Language: PHP](#)

Top Apps

Sort By: [Last Updated](#) [Audio & Video](#)[Business & Enterprise](#)[Communications](#)[Development](#)[Home & Education](#)[Games](#)[Graphics](#)

Showing page 1 of 1318.



Wireless Universal Resource File

Handset Detection for Mobile Applications. Device Description Database
3,879 weekly downloads**ENTERPRISE**

Moodle

Moodle is a Course Management System (CMS), also known as a Lea...
19,911 weekly downloads**ENTERPRISE**

Search

stars:>10

Search

 Repositories	9,160
 Code	65,606,985
 Issues	628,972
 Users	145,931

We've found 9,160 repository results

Sort: Recently updated ▾

 [silverstripe/silverstripe-framework](#) PHP ★ 351 🍴 318

SilverStripe Framework, the MVC framework that powers SilverStripe CMS

Last updated a minute ago



 [sebastianbergmann/hhvm-wrapper](#) PHP ★ 61 🍴 6

Convenience wrapper for HHVM

Last updated a minute ago



 [recurly/recurly-client-php](#) PHP ★ 80 🍴 26

Recurly PHP Client

Last updated 2 minutes ago



 [supernova-ws/SuperNova](#) PHP ★ 32 🍴 20

oGame-like browser sci-fi space strategy based on modified XNova 0.8 RageRepack V .226

Last updated 2 minutes ago



Languages

JavaScript	24,344
Ruby	16,268
Python	11,903
PHP	9,160
Java	7,311
Objective-C	6,969
C	5,477
C++	3,449
Shell	2,277
C#	2,183

 [honedmunds/Codelanitor-1on-Auth](#) PHP ★ 4,084 🍴 1,144



Search

mysql_query \$_GET

Search

Repositories 5

Code 114,139

Issues 852

Users

Languages

PHP 101,858

HTML 2,742

Smarty 884

JavaScript 621

Emacs Lisp 115

Markdown 64

Perl 59

ASP 45

XML 29

reStructuredText 24

We've found 114,139 code results

Sort: Best match



viajantes/recetario - sampleSQLInjection.php

PHP

Last indexed 3 months ago

```

1  <?php
2
3  $a = $_GET['a'];
4
5  mysql_query('x' . $a . 'y');
6
7
8
9  if(isset($_GET['id']) && $_GET['status']==2)
...
9  if(isset($_GET['id']) && $_GET['status']==2)
10
11  {
12
13  mysql_query("DELETE FROM shops2 WHERE id='".$_GET[id]' ");

```



clintonjmurdoch/jwxicc_php - selectingplayer.php

PHP

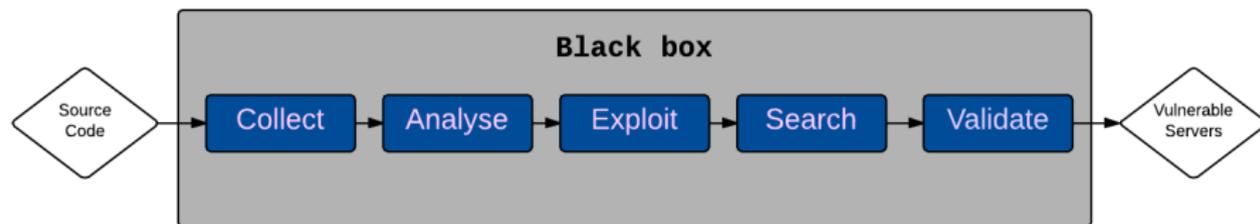
Last indexed 3 months ago

```

1  <?php

```

System parts



- Collect a large number of projects
- Analyse code for possible vulnerabilities
- Exploit the findings in a local environment to confirm
- Search installations of the project online
- Validate the found installation matches the project

Collect projects

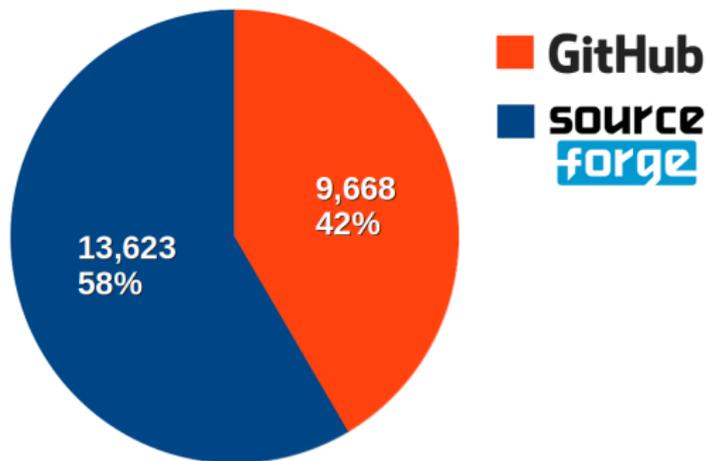


- Two sources
 - Sourceforge
 - GitHub
- Focus on PHP scripts
- Automated download and extraction

Collect projects



Collected projects





SQL Injection

```
mysql_query ("SELECT * FROM users WHERE id='$_GET[id]'");
```

File Inclusion

```
require $_POST["lang_install"].".php";
```

Command Injection

```
exec ($_GET['com'], $result);
```

Regular Expressions

```
# Ignore comments
push @regexps, {'regexp' => '^#', 'print' => false};
push @regexps, {'regexp' => '^//', 'print' => false};
push @regexps, {'regexp' => '^\\*', 'print' => false};

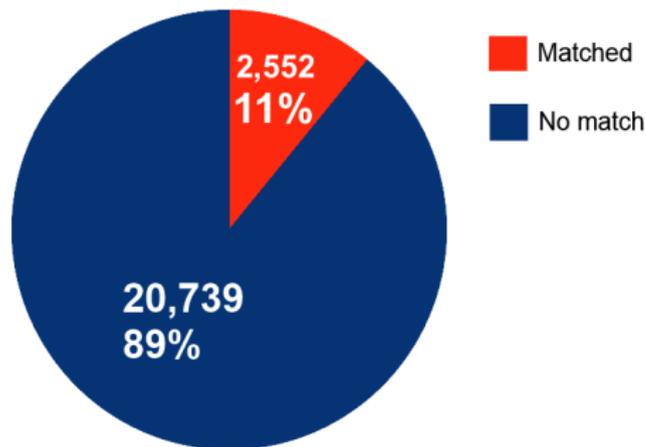
# SQL injection
# Ignore these
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'wpd->prepare', 'print' => false};
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'wpdb->prepare', 'print' => false};
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'wpdb->get_var', 'print' => false};
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'addslashes', 'print' => false};
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'mysql_real_escape_string', 'print' => false};
# We want these
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'select\\s+.*\\sfrom\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'SQL Inject
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'select\\s+.*\\sfrom\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'SQL Injec
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'insert\\s+into\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'SQL Injection',
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'insert\\s+into\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'SQL Injection',
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'delete\\s+from\\s+.*\\s+where\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => '
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'delete\\s+from\\s+.*\\s+where\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' =>
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'update\\s+.*\\s+set\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'SQL Injec
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'update\\s+.*\\s+set\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'SQL Inje
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'mysql_query\\s*(.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'SQL Injectio
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'mysql_query\\s*(.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'SQL Injecti

# Remote/Local File Inclusion
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'include\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion', 'type
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'include\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion', 'typ
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'require\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion', 'type
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'require\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion', 'typ
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'include_once\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion',
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'include_once\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion',
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'require_once\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion',
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'require_once\\s+.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion',
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'eval\\s*(.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion', 't
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'eval\\s*(.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion', 't
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'assert\\s*(.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion',
push @regexps, {'regexp' => 'assert\\s*(.*\\$', 'print' => true, 'cat' => 'File Inclusion',
```

Analyse projects



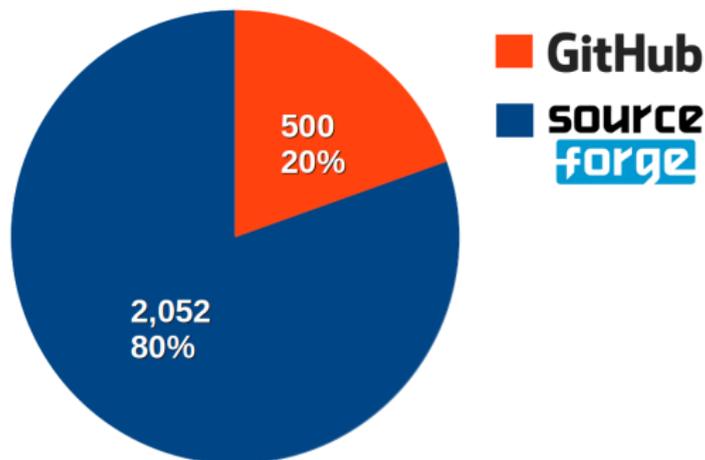
Vulnerable projects



Analyse projects



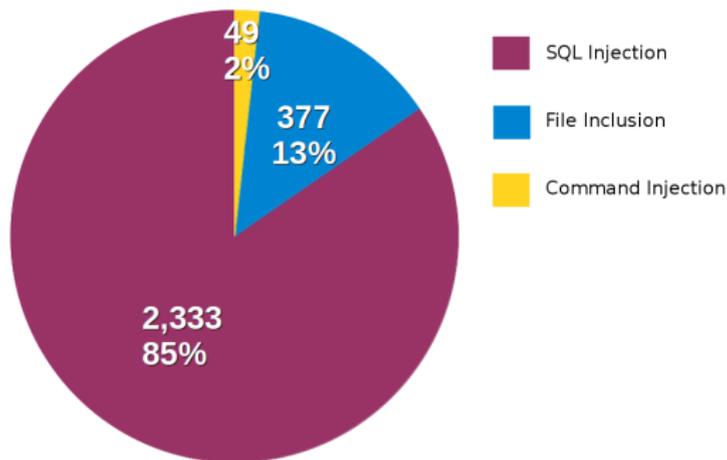
Vulnerable projects



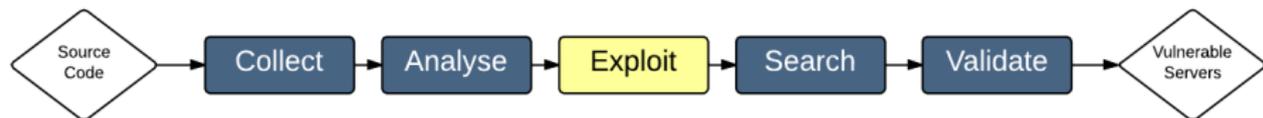
Analyse projects



Vulnerability categories



Exploit vulnerabilities



SQL Injection

```
mysql_query ("SELECT * FROM users WHERE id='$_GET[id]'");
```

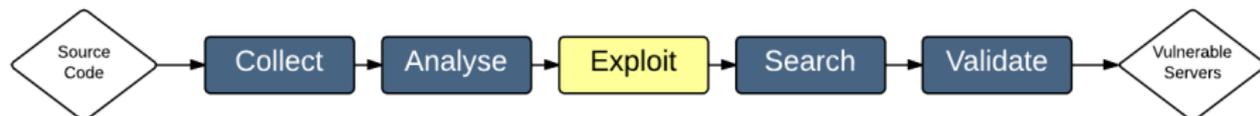
File Inclusion

```
require $_POST["lang_install"].".php";
```

Command Injection

```
exec ($_GET['com'], $result);
```

Exploit vulnerabilities



SQL Injection

`override_function (mysql_query, log_function);`

Script sources

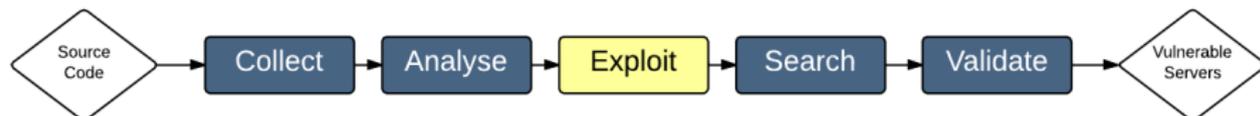
`mysql_query ("SELECT * FROM users WHERE id='$_GET[id]'");`

Executed

`log_function ("SELECT * FROM users WHERE id='$_GET[id]'");`



Exploit vulnerabilities



File Inclusion

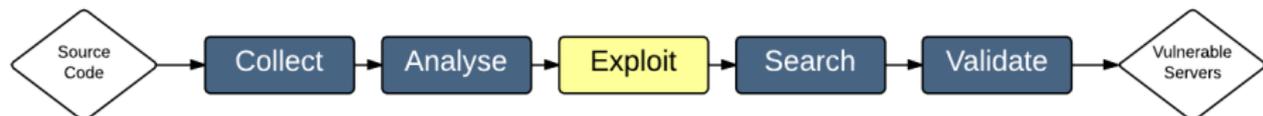
```
require $_POST["lang_install"].".php";  
log_function ($_POST["lang_install"].".php");
```

Command Injection

```
exec ($_GET['com'], $result);  
log_function ($_GET['com'], $result);
```



Exploit vulnerabilities



Request the page

<http://localhost/myscript/admin.php?id=hacklu>

Log function

Write the function arguments to a logfile

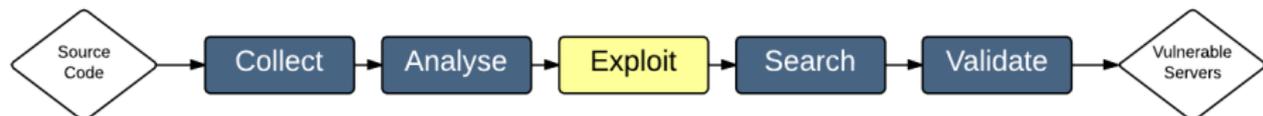
Logfile

```
admin.php:137 mysql_query
```

```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE id ='hacklu'
```



Exploit vulnerabilities



Request the page

`http://localhost/myscript/admin.php?id=hack'lu`

Log function

Write the function arguments to a logfile

Logfile

```
admin.php:137 mysql_query
```

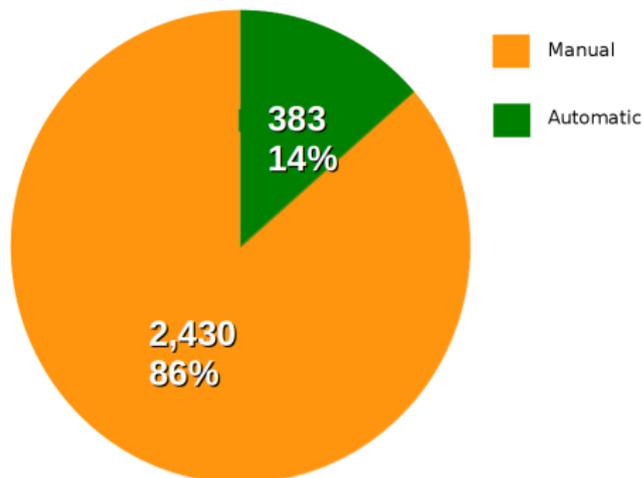
```
SELECT * FROM users WHERE id ='hack'lu'
```



Exploit vulnerabilities



Confirmation of results



Search



bing™

Google™

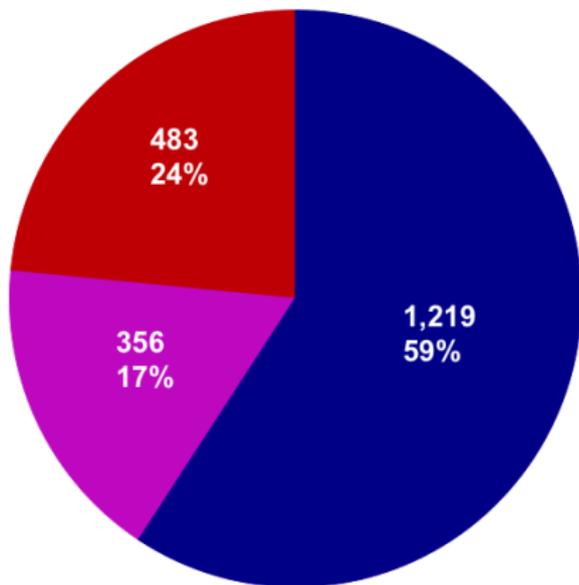


YAHOO!



Google Advanced Search Operators

- allinurl
page.php: require `$_GET['page_id'];`
allinurl:"/page.php?page_id="
- allintitle
index.php: echo "<title>" . `$title` . "</title>";
allintitle:"My special script v0.2a"



- **titles <= 10**
- **10 < titles <= 25**
- **titles > 25**

Search



Google

allinurl:"/login.php?token="



Ongeveer 545.000 resultaten (0,15 seconden)

[BZFlag Image Uploader :: Login](#)

[images.bzflag.org/submitimages/login.php?token...](https://images.bzflag.org/submitimages/login.php?token=) [Vertaal deze pagina](#)

The login was not successful. Please try again. If problem persists, please contact an administrator. By using the BZFlag Image Uploader, you agree to the Terms ...

Goooooooooo >

1 2 3 4 5 6 7

[Volgende](#)



Google Error

We're sorry...

... but your query looks similar to automated requests from a computer virus or spyware application. To protect your privacy, we've temporarily blocked your access to Google.

We'll restore your access as quickly as possible, so try again soon. In the meantime, if you suspect that you run a [virus checker](#) or [spyware remover](#) to make sure that your systems are free of viruses and other spurious software.

If you're continually receiving this error, you may be able to resolve the problem by deleting your Google cookies. For more information, please consult your browser's online support center.

If your entire network is affected, more information is available in the [Google Web Search Help Center](#).

We apologize for the inconvenience, and hope we'll see you again on Google.

To continue searching, please type the characters you see below:





- Rotate between 13 IPv4 addresses
- Pause for 8 seconds between each request



- 20,000 search queries per day
- 120,000 results with 22,000 queries

Validate search results



- Find the project's installation root
- Identify six common file types
- Compare locally identified files with the remote host
- Calculate a score

Validate search results



Installation root: *deterministic approach*

Google result: <http://example.com/user/app/login.php?token=432>

Local script

Remote script

/script/app/admin/login.php

/example.com/user/app/admin/login.php

/script/app/admin/

/example.com/user/app/admin/

/script/app/

/example.com/user/app/

/script/

/example.com/user/



Validate search results



Installation root: *probabilistic approach*

Google result: <http://example.com/user/app/guide.html>

Local script

/script/a/docs/examples/index.php

/script/b/index.html

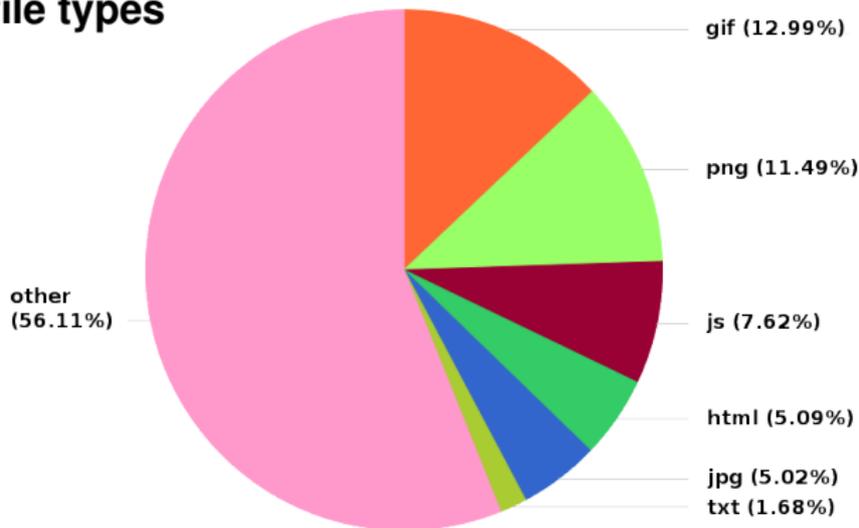
/script/index.php

/script/

Validate search results



Common file types



Validate search results



Comparing files

Local file

/script/images/file1.gif
/script/images/logo.png
/script/app/js/code.js
/script/contact.html

Remote file

/example.com/user/images/file1.gif
/example.com/user/images/logo.png
/example.com/user/app/js/code.js
/example.com/user/contact.html

Validate search results



Text matching

Local File (*LocalScore* = 74)

```
body {
  padding-left: 11em;
  font-family: Georgia, Times;
  color: purple;
  background-color: #d8da3d
}
ul.navbar {
  list-style-type: none;
  padding: 0;
  margin: 0;
  position: absolute;
  top: 2em;
  left: 1em;
  width: 9em
}
a:link {
  color: blue
}
a:visited {
  color: purple
}
```

Remote File (*RemoteScore* = 50)

```
/* Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet,
consectetuer adipiscing elit. Aenean
commodo ligula eget dolor. Aenean massa.
Cum sociis natoque penatibus et magnis
dis parturient montes, nascetur ridiculus
mus. */
body {
  padding-left: 11em;
  font-family: Georgia, Times;
  color: purple;
  background-color: #d8da3d
}
ul.navbar {
  list-style-type: none;
  padding: 0;
  margin: 0;
  position: absolute;
  top: 2em;
  left: 1em;
  width: 9em
}
```



Text matching

Local File (*LocalScore* = 100)

```
/* dolor sit amet, consectetur  
adipiscing elit. Aenean commodo ligula  
 eget dolor. Aenean massa. Cum sociis  
 natoque penatibus et magnis dis  
 parturient montes, nascetur ridiculus  
 mus. */
```

Remote File (*RemoteScore* = 50)

```
/* dolor sit amet, consectetur  
adipiscing elit. Aenean commodo ligula  
 eget dolor. Aenean massa. Cum sociis  
 natoque penatibus et magnis dis  
 parturient montes, nascetur ridiculus  
 mus. */  
body {  
  padding-left: 11em;  
  font-family: Georgia, Times;  
  color: purple;  
  background-color: #d8da3d  
}  
ul.navbar {  
  list-style-type: none;  
  padding: 0;  
  margin: 0;  
  position: absolute;  
  top: 2em;  
  left: 1em;  
  width: 9em  
}
```

Validate search results



MD5 Hash Matching

$\text{md5}(\text{Local File}) \neq \text{md5}(\text{Remote File})$

LocalScore = 0

RemoteScore = 0

$\text{md5}(\text{Local File}) = \text{md5}(\text{Remote File})$

LocalScore = 100

RemoteScore = 100



Validate search results



Calculating the final score

- Score between 0 and 100
- Number of identified files is taken into account
- *LocalScore* and the *RemoteScore* are weighted

$$Score = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N S_i}{N} + \sum_{i=1}^N S_i * \frac{1}{6}$$

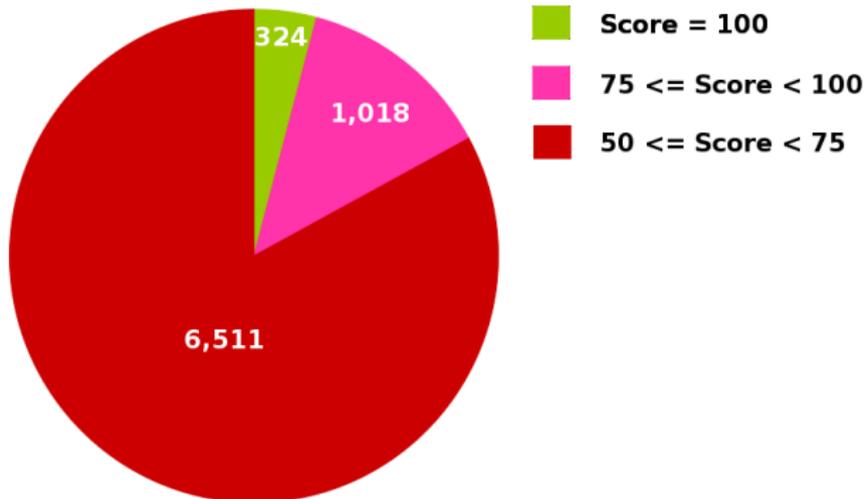
$$S_i = \frac{LocalScore_i + RemoteScore_i}{4}$$

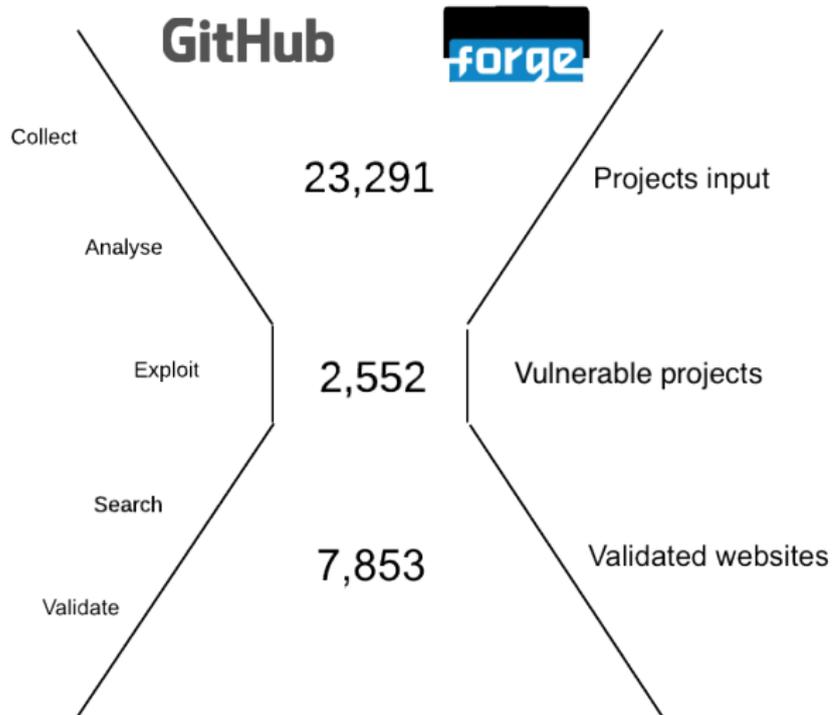
$$N = \text{Total number of selected files}$$

Validate search results

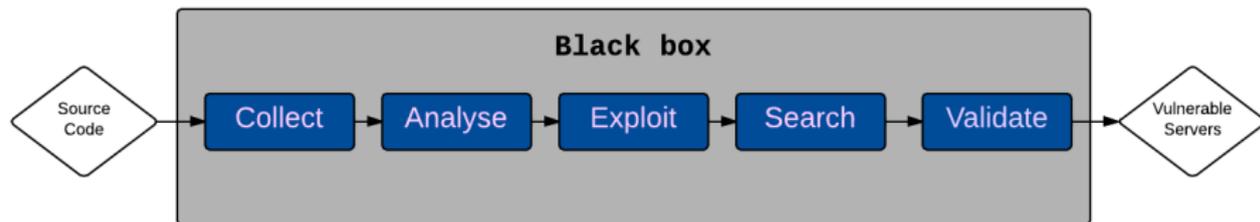


Validated website scores





System overview





Contact:

Dennis: dennis.pellikaan@os3.nl

Thijs: thijs.houtenbos@os3.nl

Paper reference:

<http://rp.delaat.net/2012-2013/p91/report.pdf>