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Impact on Embedded Web Interfaces

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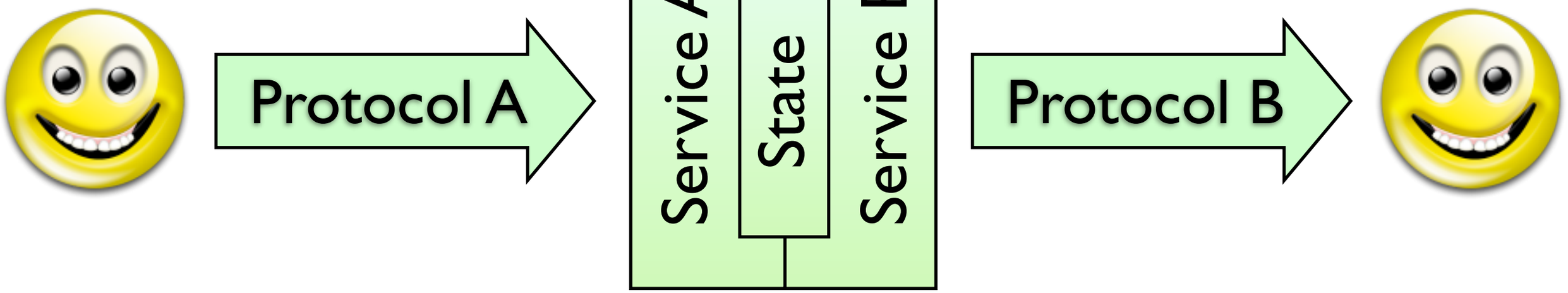

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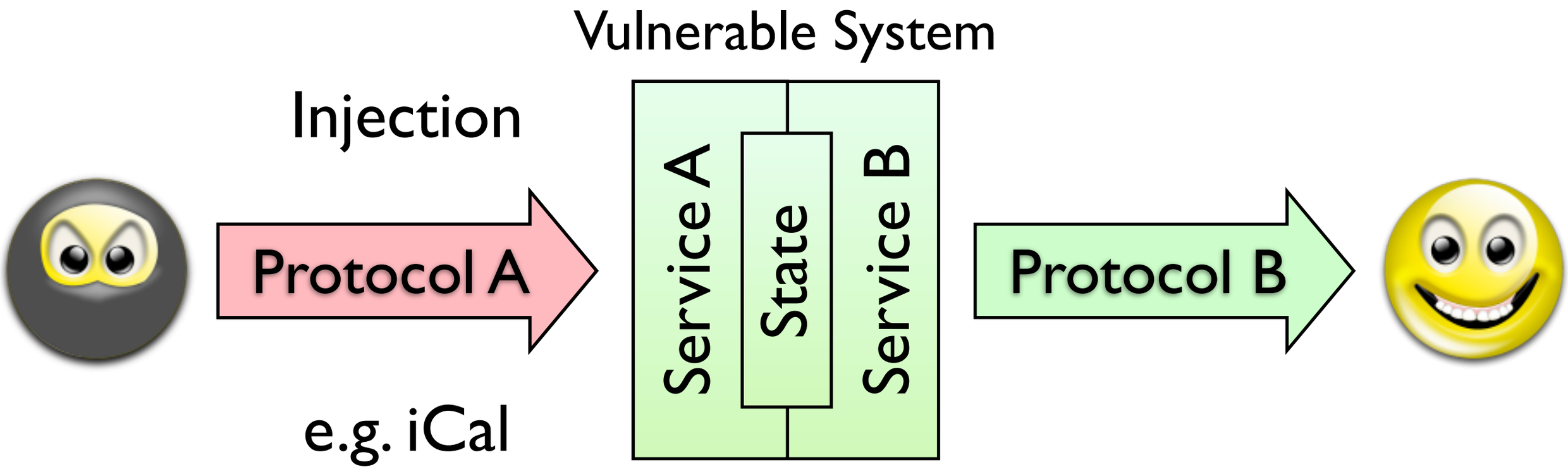

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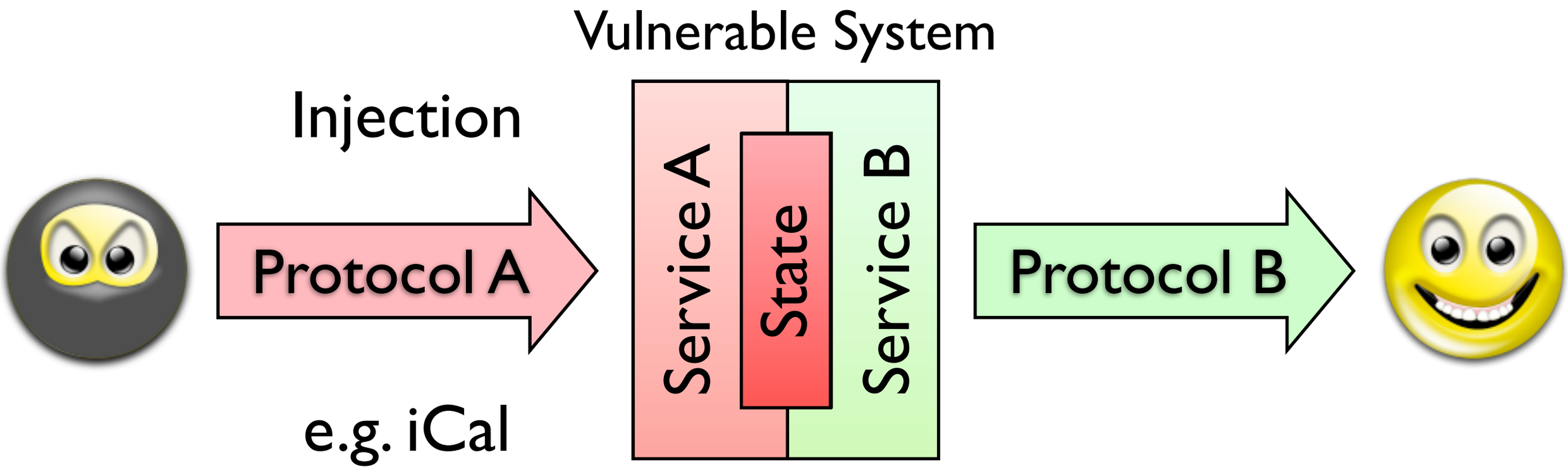

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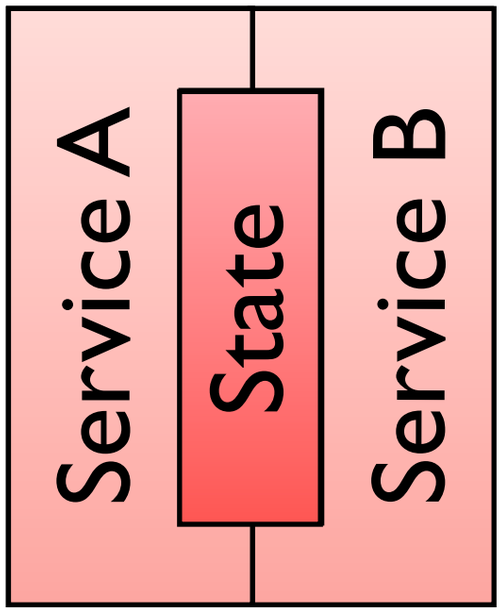
Injection

Protocol A

Vulnerable System



Protocol B

e.g. iCal

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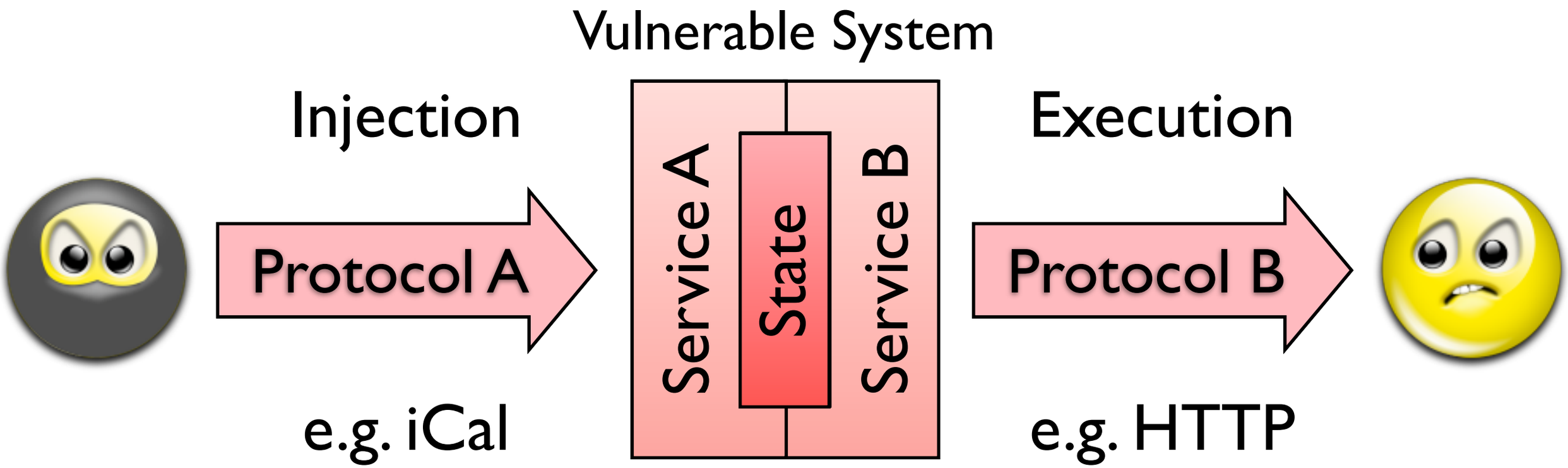

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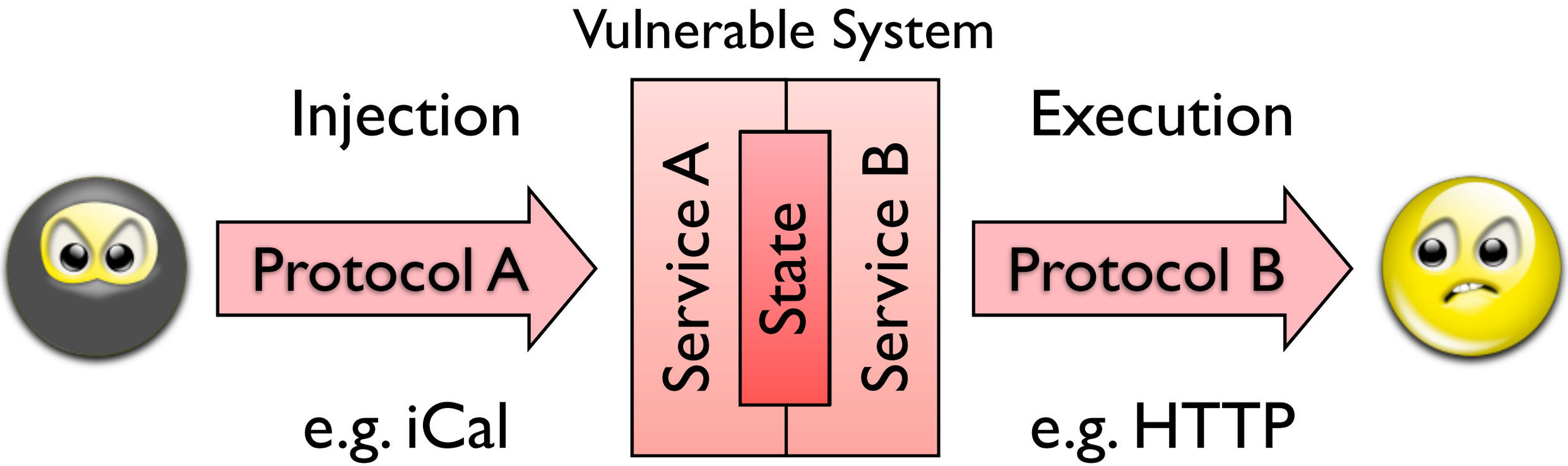

XCS: a pervasive attack class

- secure services ≠ secure system

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LaCie Ethernet disk mini

- Share access control
- Web interface
- Public FTP

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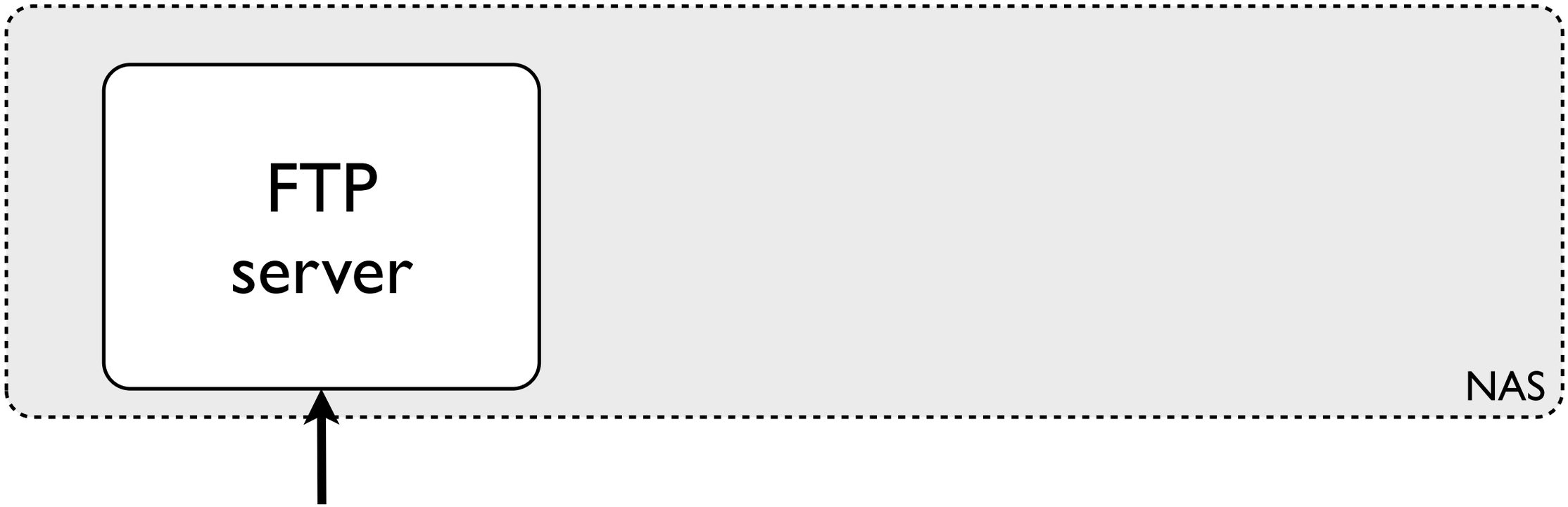

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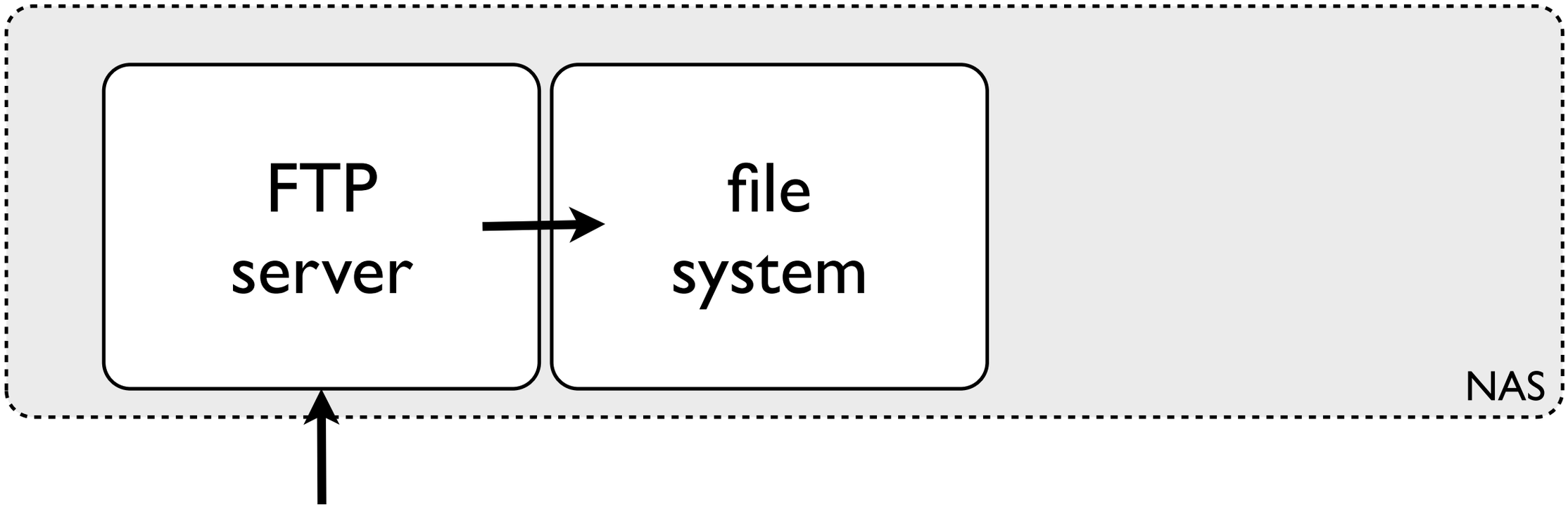

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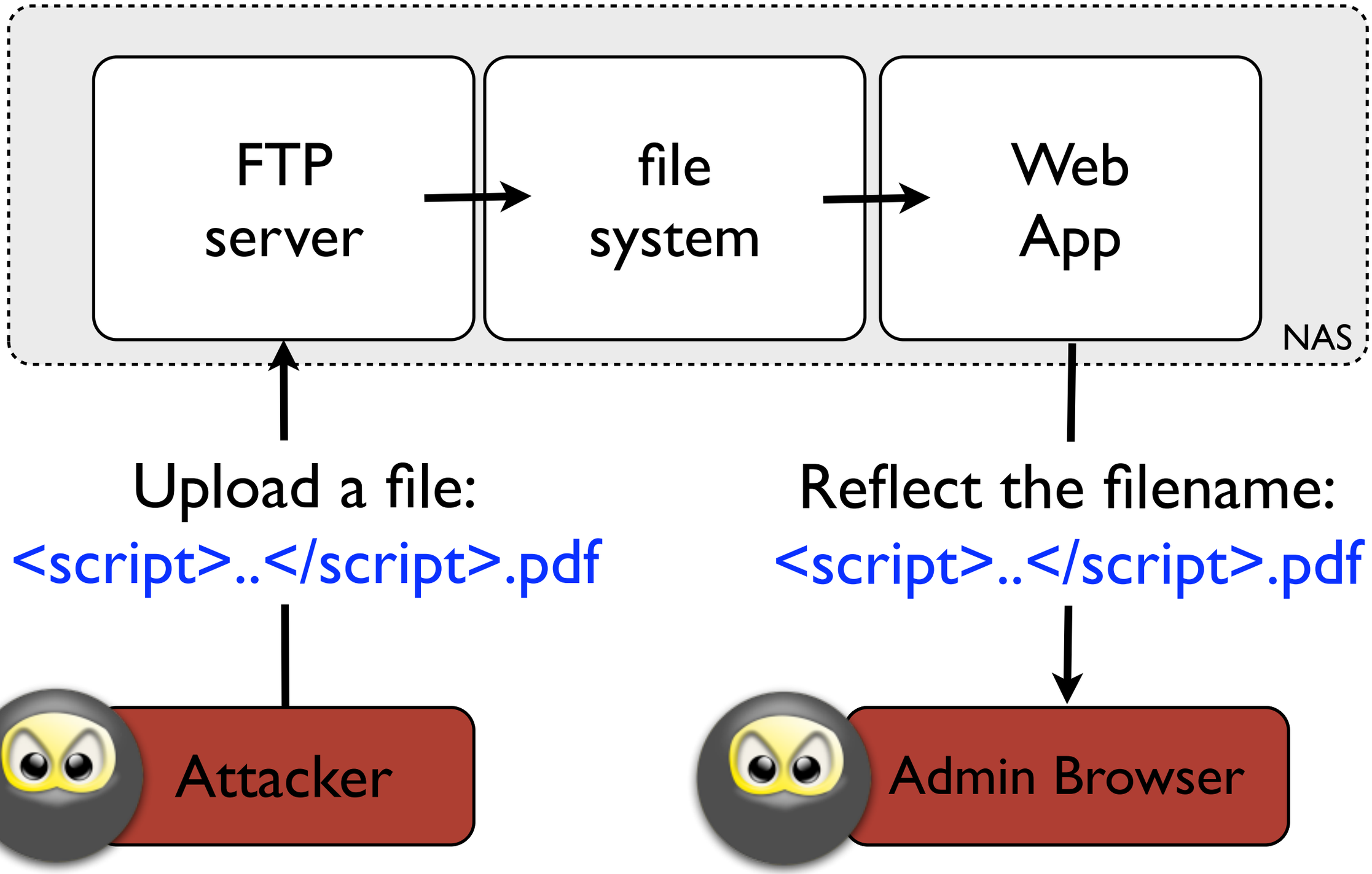

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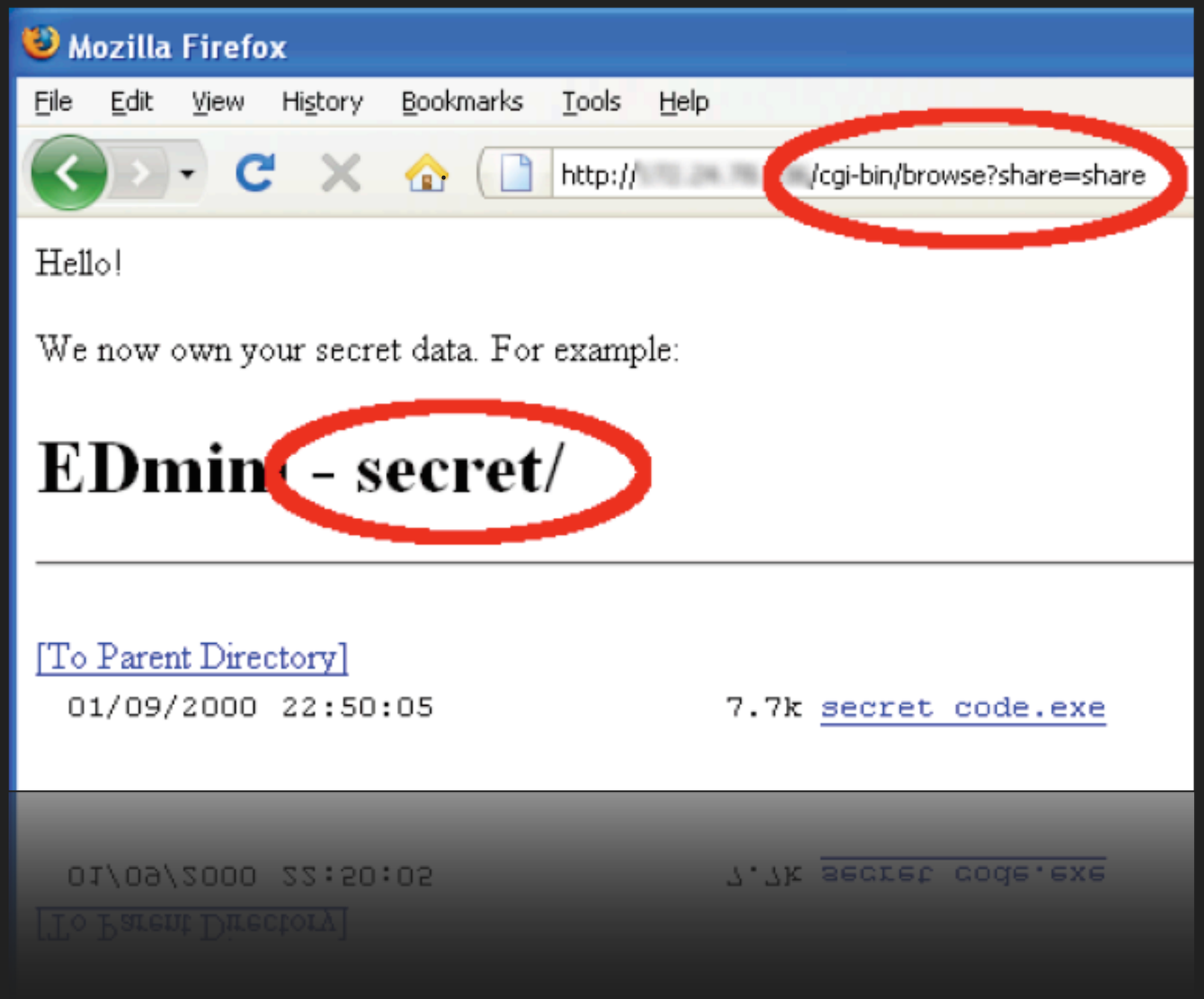

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More XCS Examples

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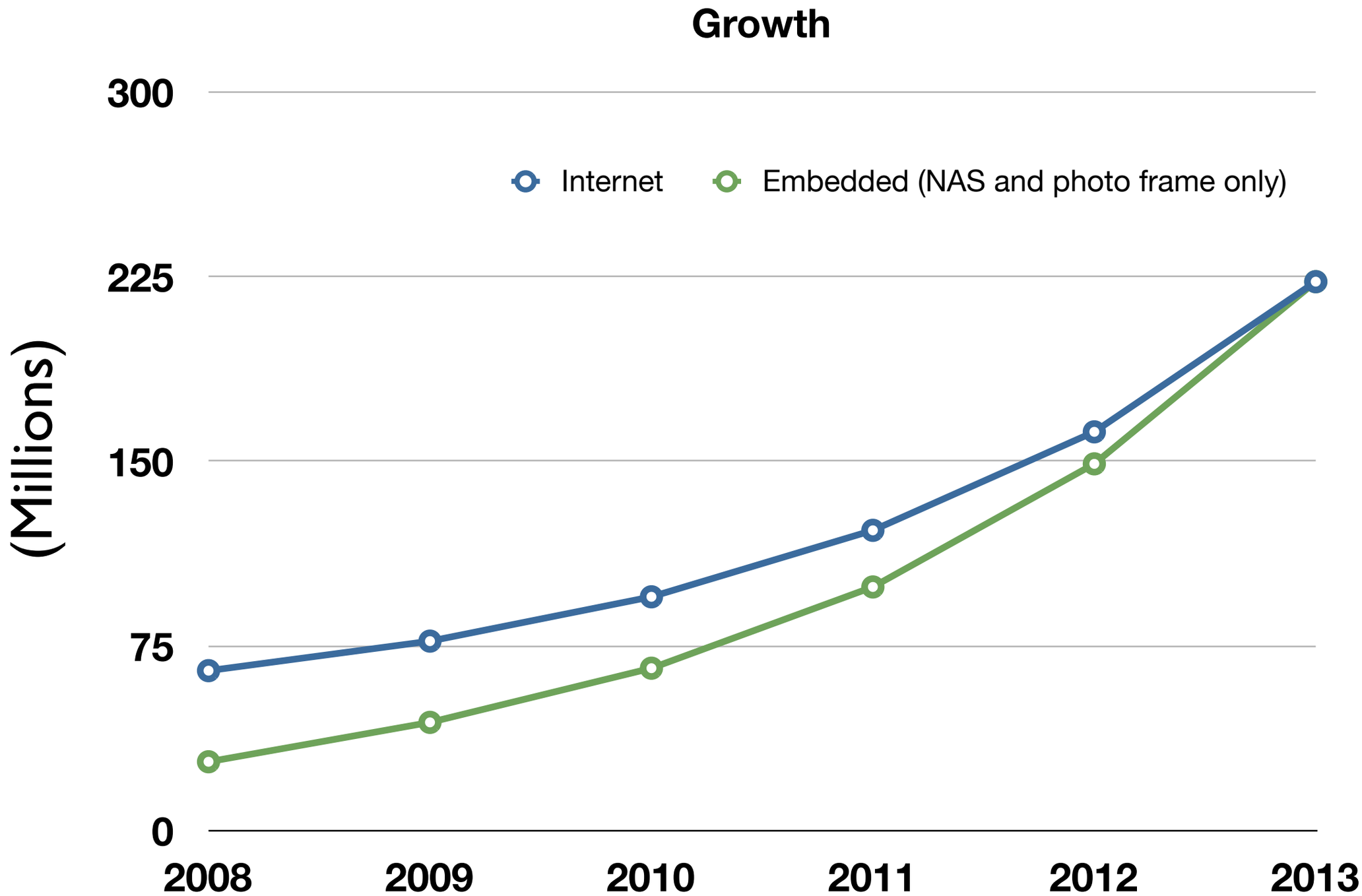
Embedded web interfaces?

Embedded vs. public web servers



Data :
- Parks associates
- Netcraft

Web management interfaces

Managing embedded devices via a web interface:

- ✓ *Easier for users*
- ✓ *Cheaper for vendors*

Recipe for a disaster

Vendors build their own web applications

- Standard web server (sometimes)
- Custom web application stack
- Weak web security

New features/services added at a fast pace

- Vendors compete on number of services in product
- Interactions between services ➽ vulnerabilities

Outcome

Vulnerabilities in **every** device we audited

SIP XCS

VoIP phone

- Linksys SPA942
- Web interface
- SIP support
- Call logs

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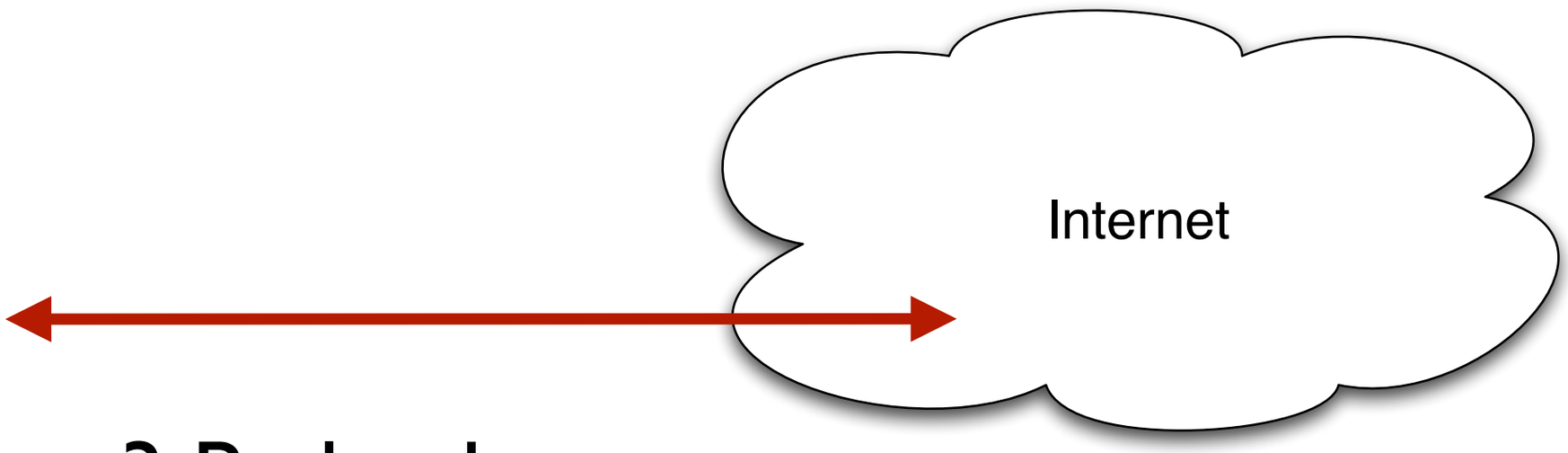

3 Payload executes

SIP XCS

Outcome: phone reconfiguration, VoIP wiretapping...

Photo frame XCS

WiFi photo frame

- Samsung SPF85V
- RSS / URL feed
- Windows Live
- WMV / AVI

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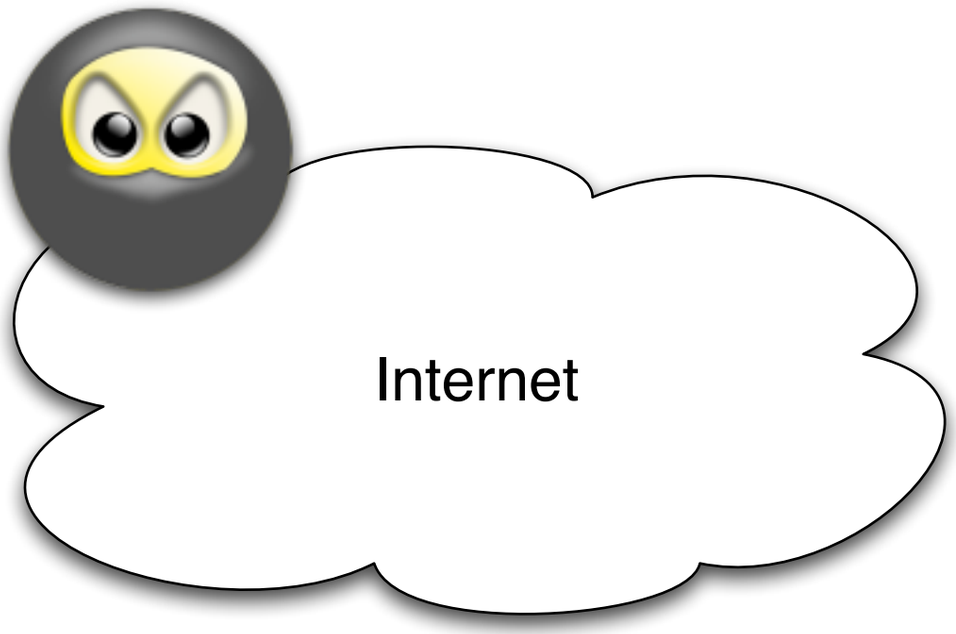

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2 Browse internet

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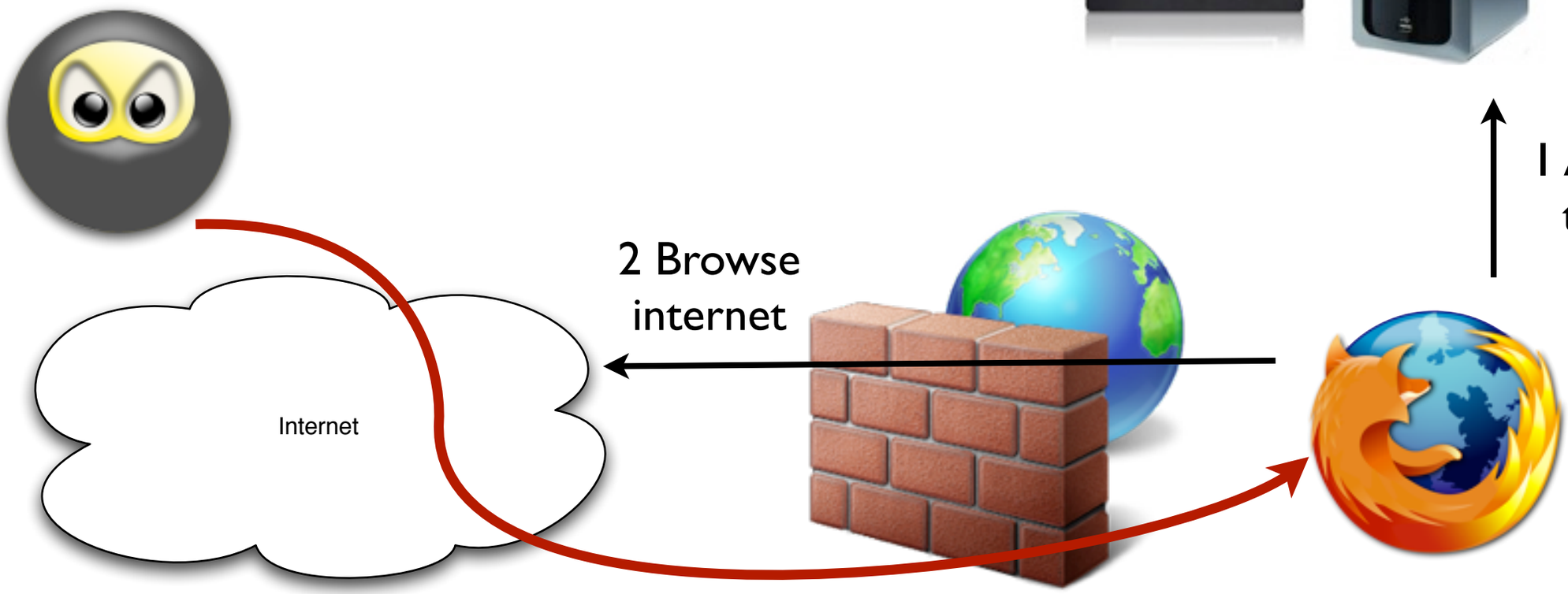

3 Trigger POST (e.g. via Ads)

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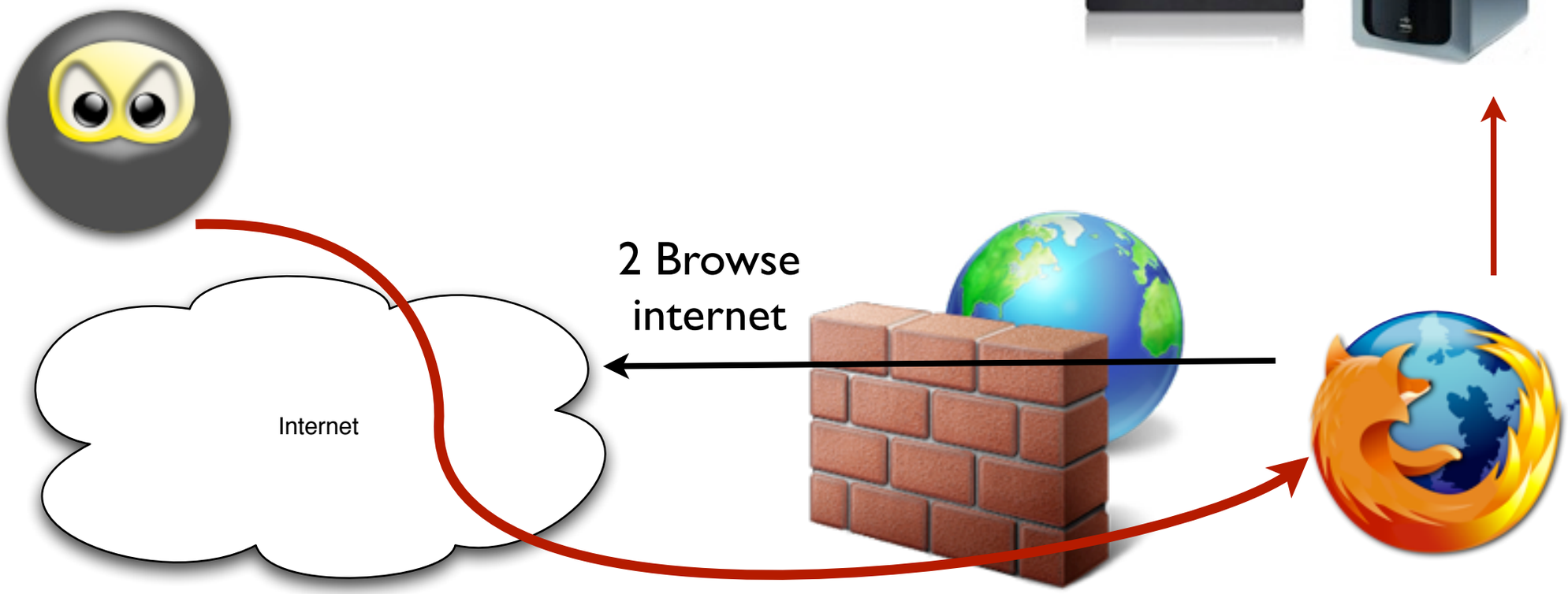

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7 Attack local network

Another boring NAS device?

SOHO NAS

- Buffalo LS-CHL
- BitTorrent support!

Massive exploitation

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Create a
bad torrent

Famous_movie.torrent

Internet

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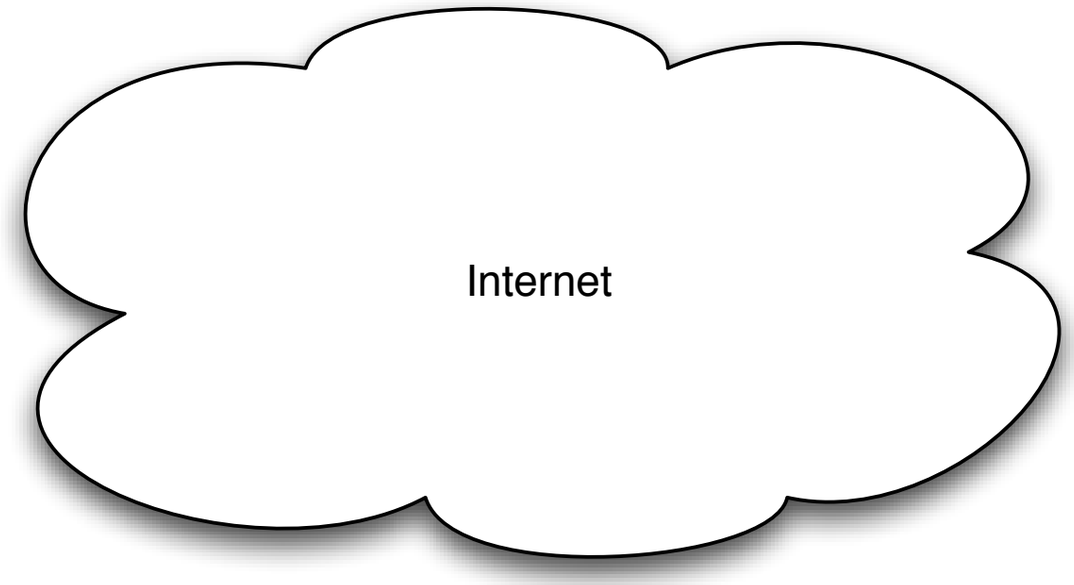

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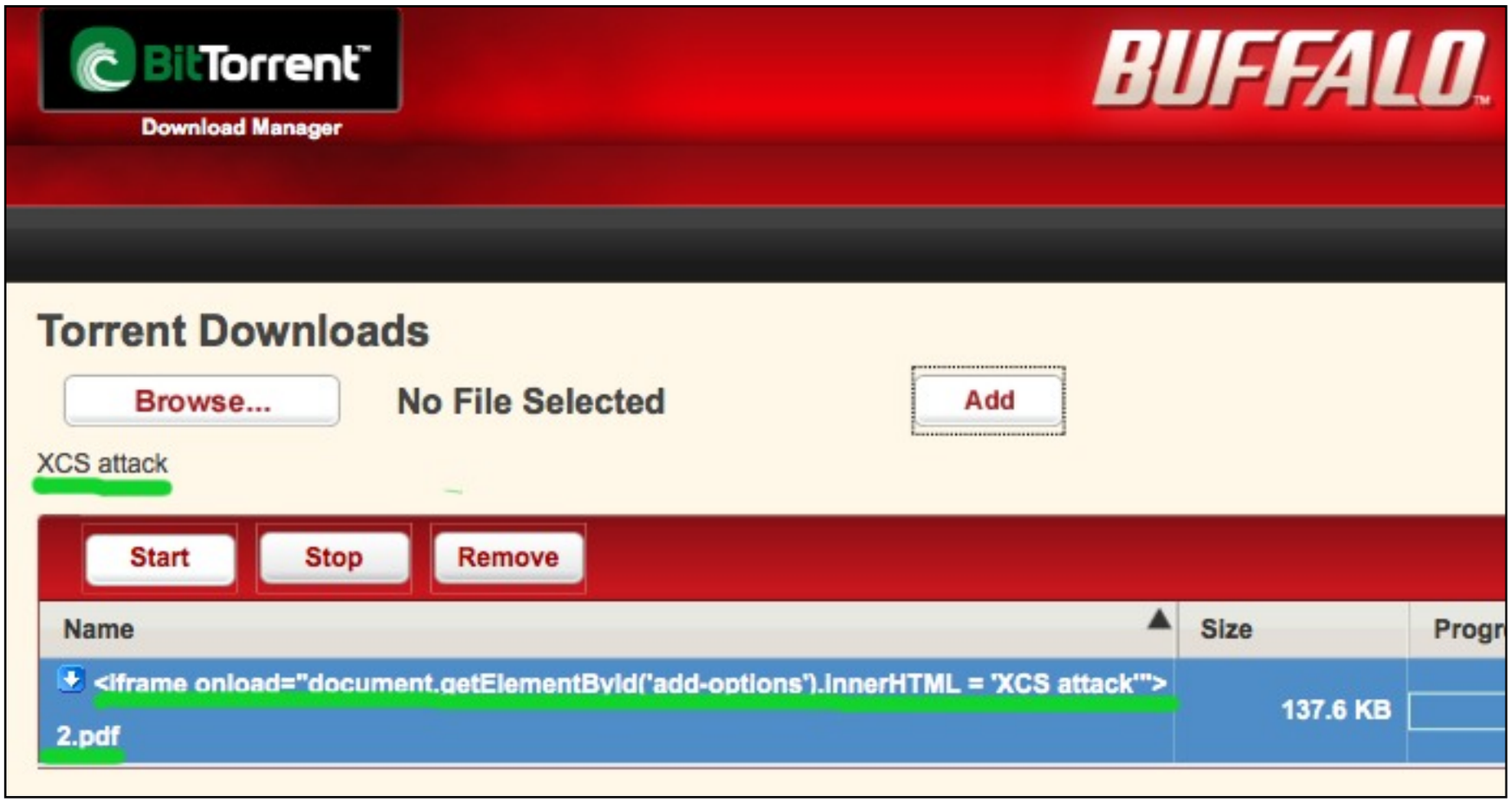

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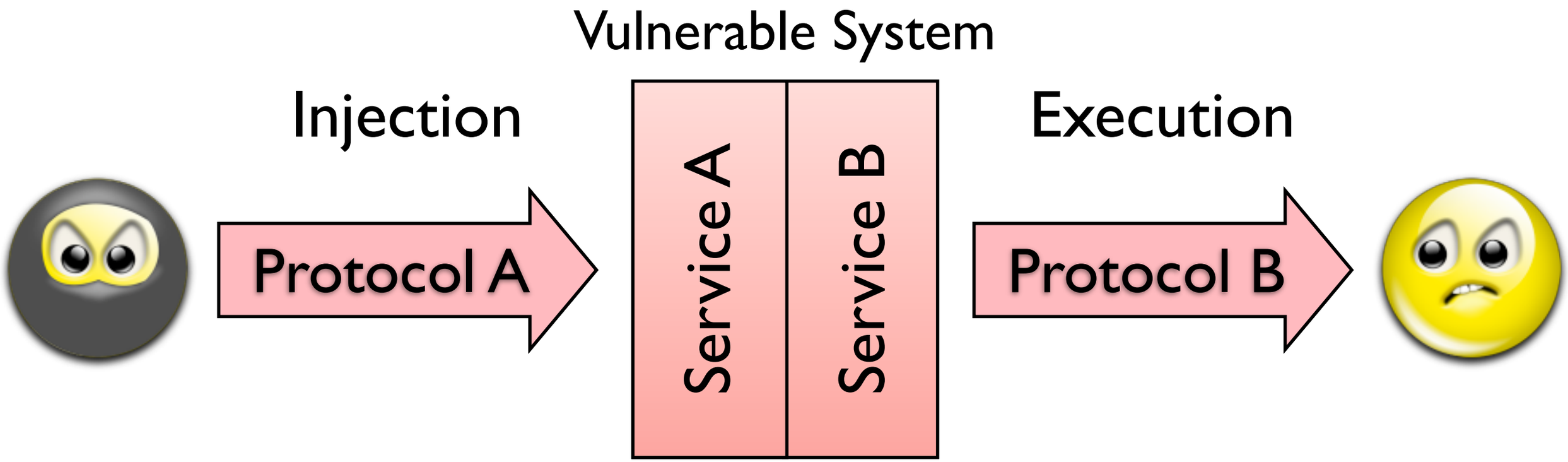

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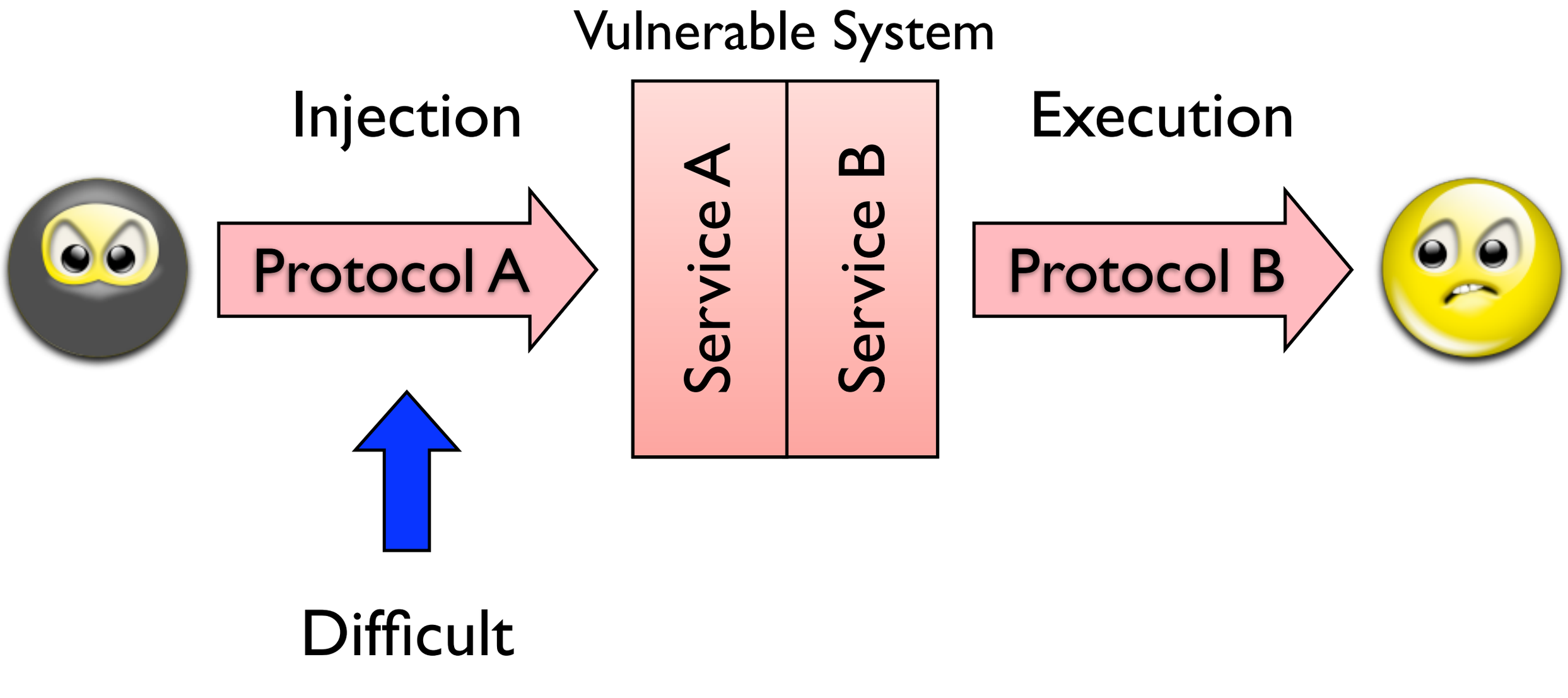

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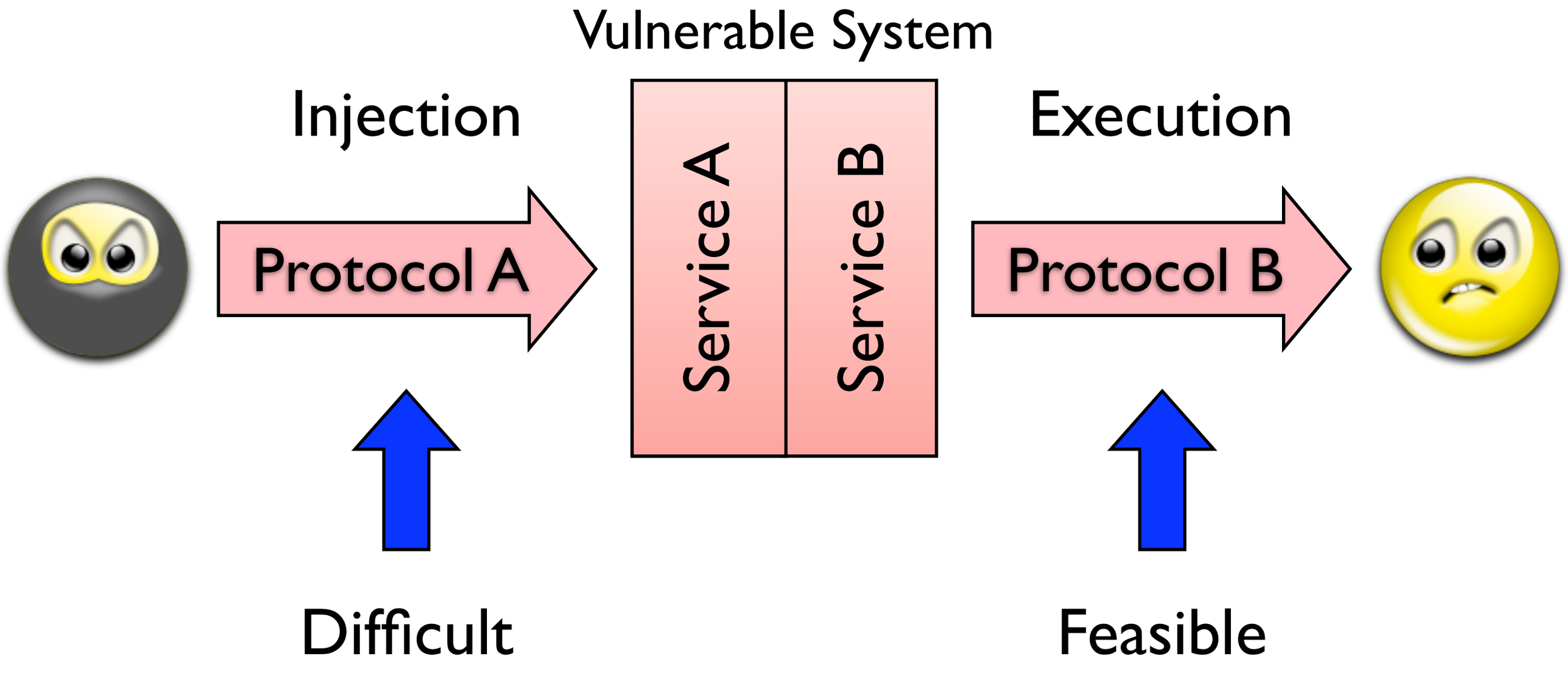

Security policies in browsers

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Strict Transport Security

- ForceHTTPS [JB'08]
- Stateful, and site-wide
- Recently adopted by PayPal
- Several browser implementations

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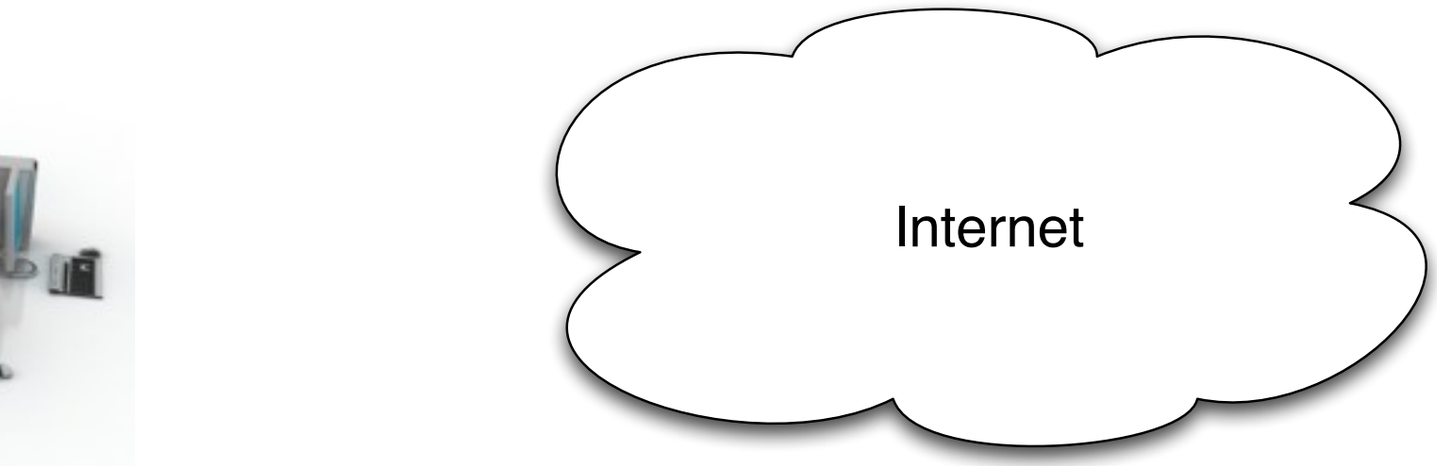

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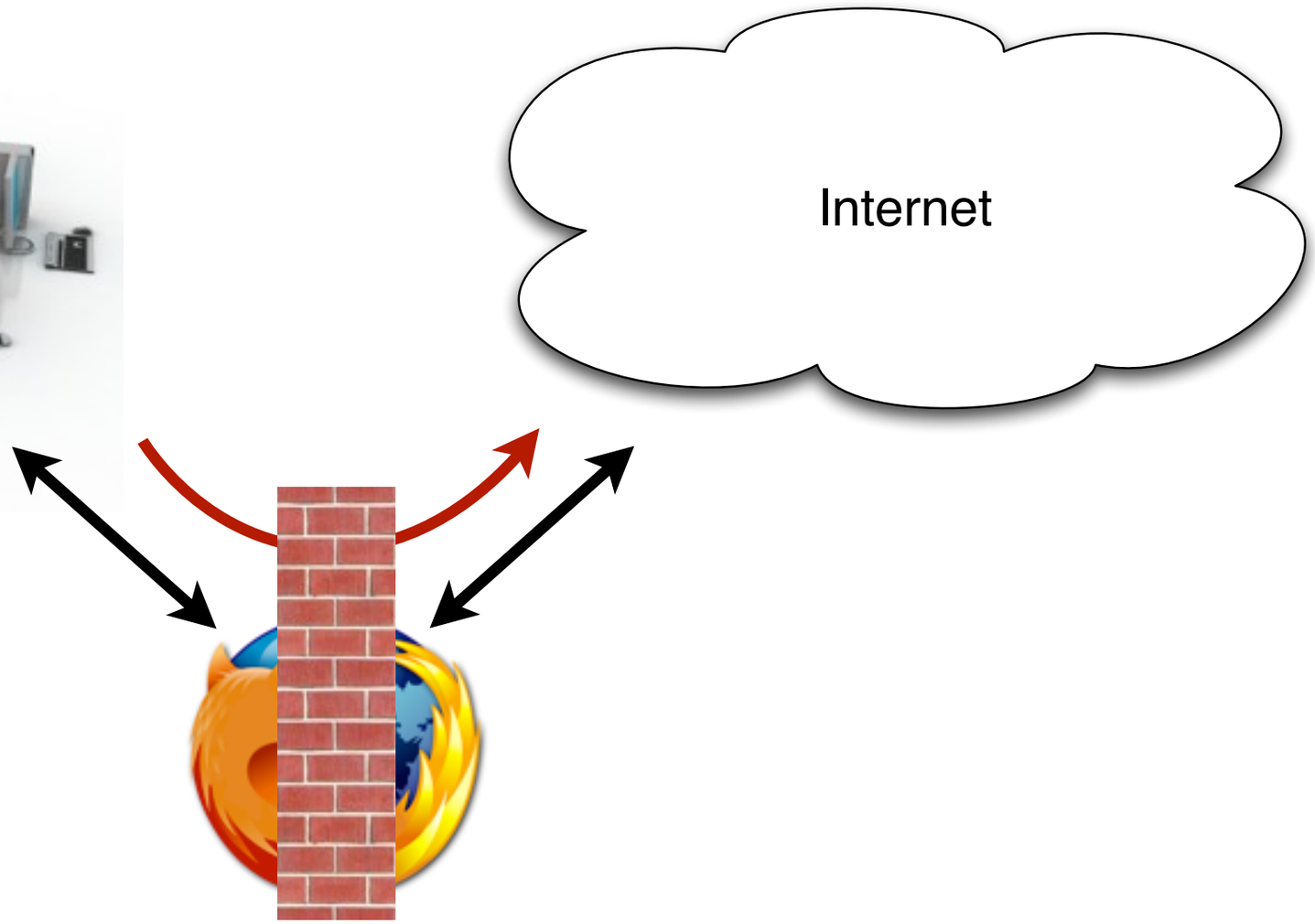

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Injected script can issue requests at will:

<script src="http://evil.com">

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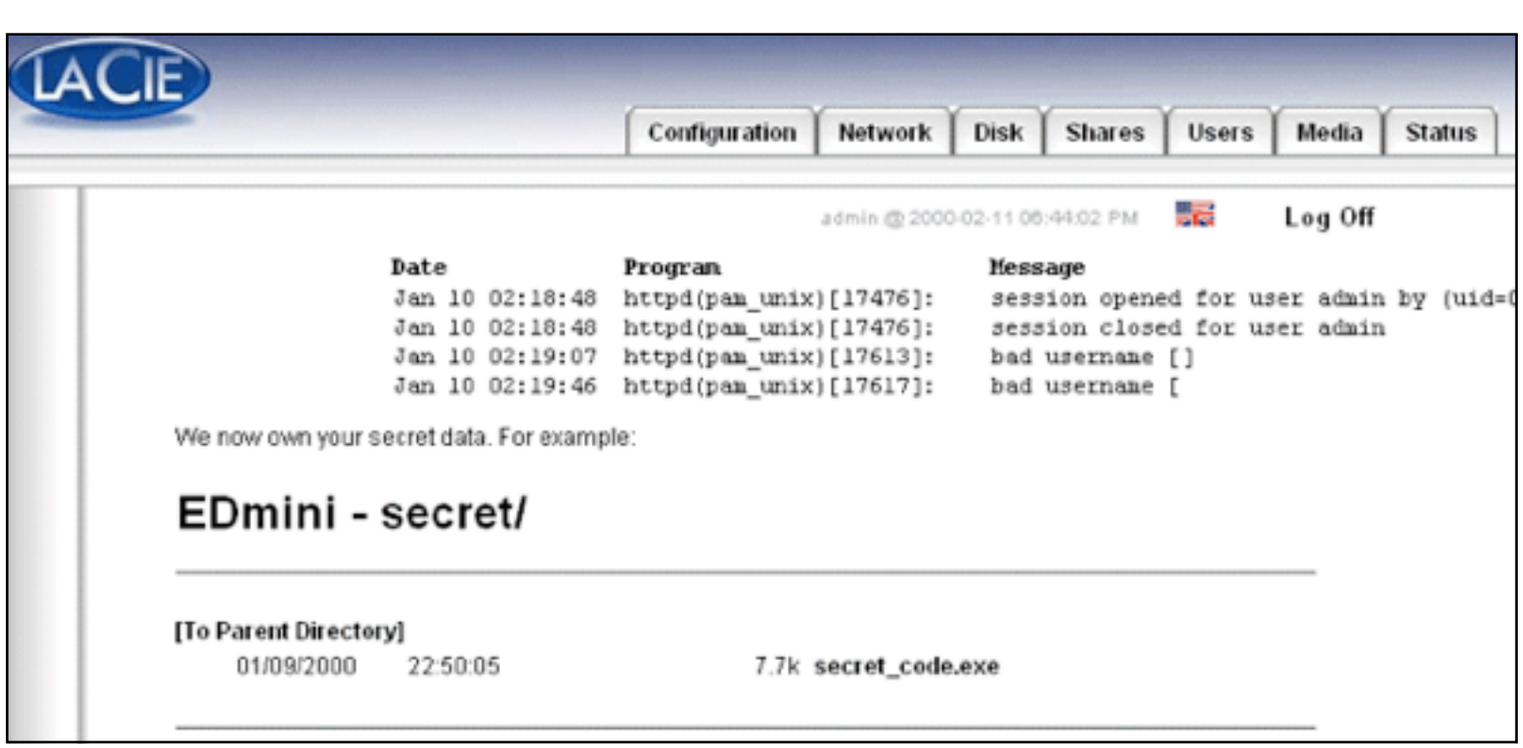

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Page interactions with the Internet blocked.

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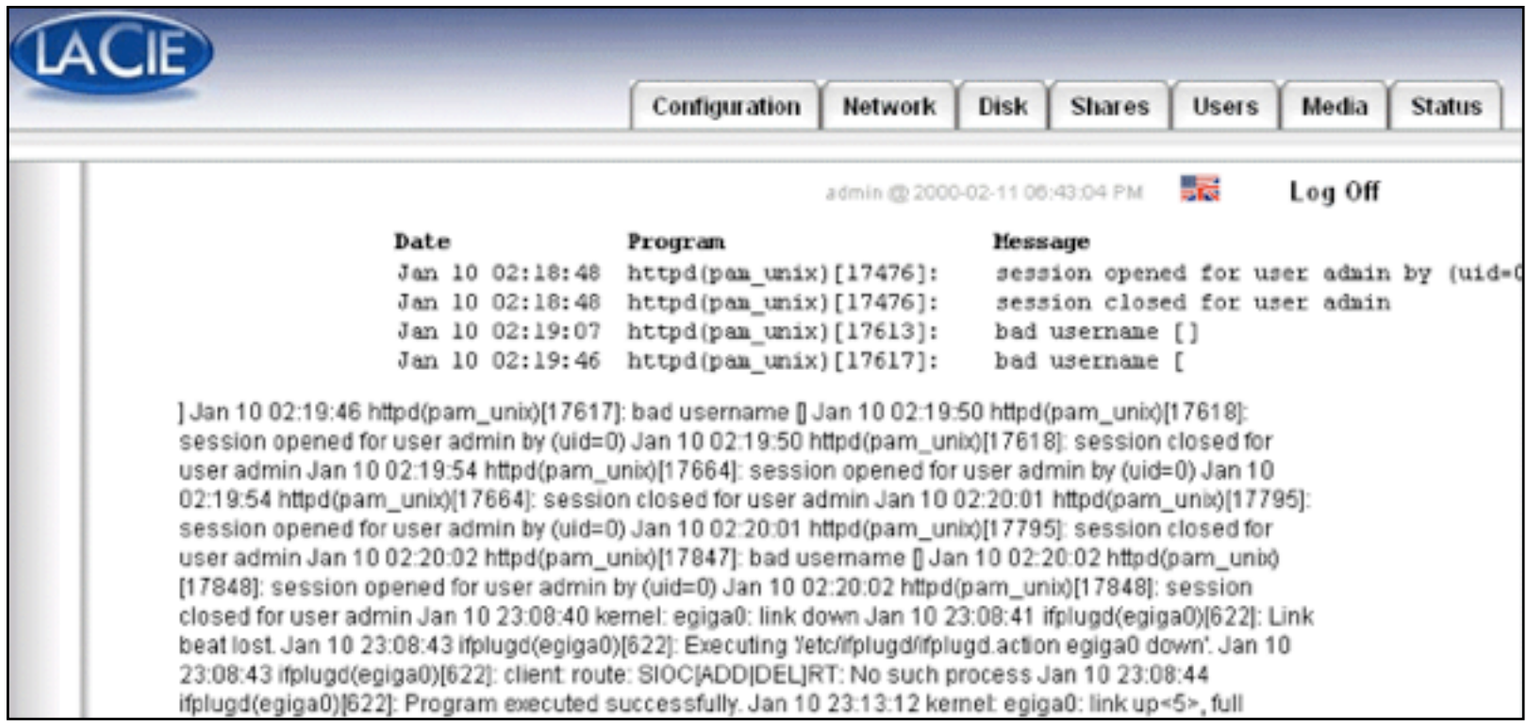

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Different types of browser state:

- ***Cookies*** for web application state
- ***Policy store*** for web site security policies

Conclusion

A growing threat

As seen on Twitter...

A growing threat

... and a smartphone near you.

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Recommendations

- HTTP: cross-site policy standard
- Browser: security policy store (non-cookie)

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