

Neural Network-based Graph Embedding for Cross-Platform Binary Code Similarity Detection

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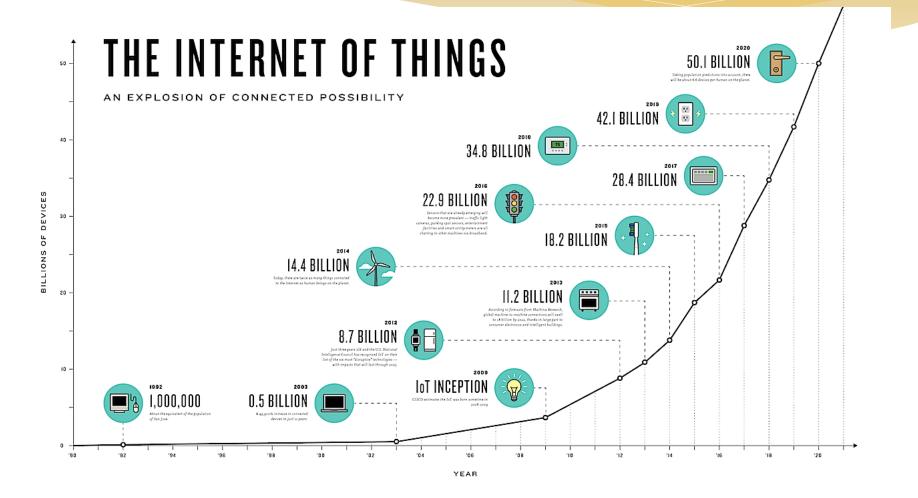














Firmwares of IoT devices

- * Binary code is in various ISA
 - * X86, MIPS, ARM, etc.
- * Problem: the current practice is to employ common open sourced code when building firmware; thus one vulnerability identified in the source code may affect millions of firmwares
 - * E.g., Heartbleed in OpenSSL



Vulnerability Detection

- * Goal: given a (newly detected) vulnerability, quickly identify whether it affects an existing firmware.
- Xiaojun Xu, Chang Liu, Qian Feng, Heng Yin, Le Song, Dawn Song, Neural Network-based Graph Embedding for Cross-Platform Binary Code Similarity Detection, to appear in ACM CCS 2017



Deep learning for vulnerability detection

* Problem definition:

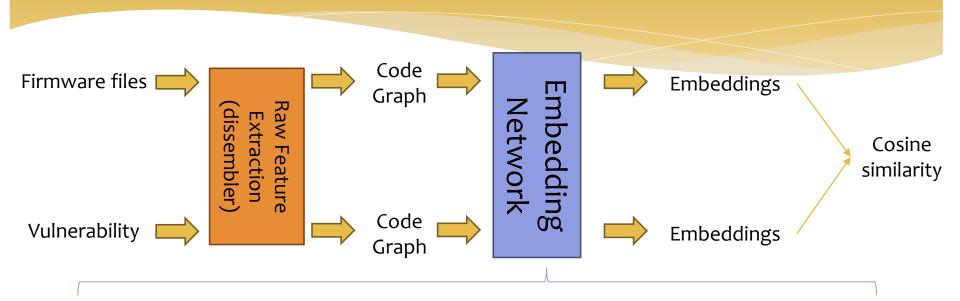
- * Given two programs:
 - * One is the vulnerability (e.g., compiled from pre-patched vulnerable source code)
 - * The other is a binary code
- * Detect whether the two programs are similar

* Challenges:

- * The ISAs of the two programs may not be the same
- Compiler and compilation options (e.g., optimization levels) may not be the same
- * Collision-resilient hash function-based detection is far from accurate



Overall workflow



Previous approaches

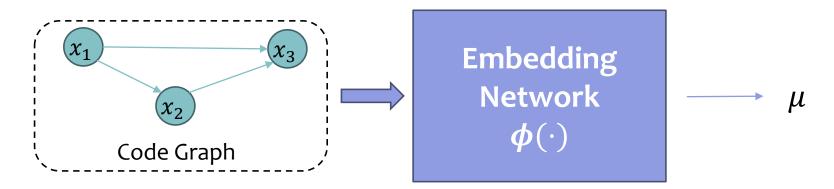
- Manually designed graph-matching-based algorithms
- Slow
- Effectiveness is limited by graph-matching
- Feng, et al. Scalable Graph-based Bug Search for Firmware Images. *CCS* 2016.

Our approaches:

- Deep graph embedding network
- Design a neural network to extract the features automatically
- Combine Struct2vec and Siamese network



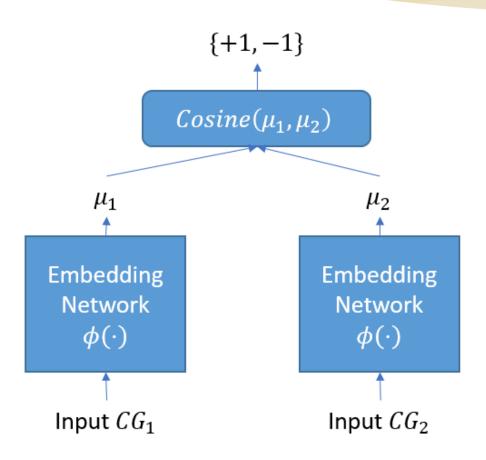
Our approach: struct2vec



Dai, et al. Discriminative Embeddings of Latent Variable Models for Structured Data. ICML 2016.

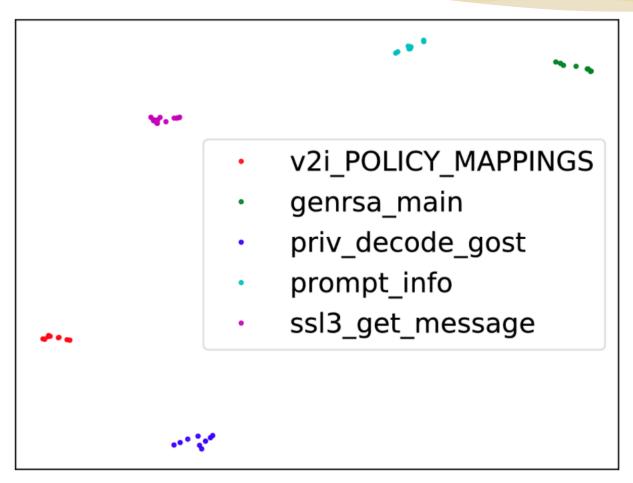


Training: Siamese





Visualizing the embeddings





Serving time (per function processing time)

Previous work: a few secs to a few mins Now: a few milliseconds

$2500 \times to 16000 \times faster!$



Training time

Previous work: > 1 week

Now: < 30 mins



Identified Vulnerabilities

Function Name	Vendor	Firmware	Binary File	Similarity
ssl3 get new session ticket	D-Link	DAP-1562_FIRMWARE_1.00	wpa_supplicant.acfgs	0.962374508
port_check_v6	D-Link	DES-1210-28_REVB_FIRMWARE_3.12.015	in.ftpd.acfgs	0.955408692
sub_42EE7C	TP-Link	TD-W8970B_V1_140624	racoon.acfgs	0.954742193
sub_42EE7C	TP-Link	TD-W8970_V1_130828	racoon.acfgs	0.954742193
prsa_parse_file	TP-Link	Archer_D5_V1_140804	racoon.acfgs	0.949814439
sub_432B8C	TP-Link	TD-W8970B_V1_140624	racoon.acfgs	0.949583828
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ssl3_get_new_session_ticket	DD-wrt	dd-wrt.v24-23838_NEWD-2_K3.x_mega-WNR3500v2_VC	openvpn.acfgs	0.94668287
ucSetUsbipServer	TP-Link	WDR4900_V2_130115	httpd.acfgs	0.946312308
ssl3_get_new_session_ticket	Netgear	tomato-Cisco-M10v2-NVRAM32K-1.28.RT-N5x-MIPSR2-110-PL-Mini	libssl.so.1.0.0.acfgs	0.945933044
ssl3_get_new_session_ticket	Tomato_by_Shibby	tomato-K26-1.28.RT-MIPSR1-109-Mini	libssl.so.1.0.0.acfgs	0.945933044
ssl3_get_new_session_ticket	Tomato_by_Shibby	tomato-K26USB-1.28.RT-N5x-MIPSR2-110-VPN	libssl.so.1.0.0.acfgs	0.945932984
ssl3_get_new_session_ticket	Tomato_by_Shibby	tomato-E4200USB-NVRAM60K-1.28.RT-MIPSR2-110-PL-BT	libssl.so.1.0.0.acfgs	0.945932984
ssl3_get_new_session_ticket	Tomato_by_Shibby	tomato-E3000USB-NVRAM60K-1.28.RT-MIPSR2-110-BT-VPN	libssl.so.1.0.0.acfgs	0.945932984
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ssl3_get_new_session_ticket	Tomato_by_Shibby	tomato-E4200USB-NVRAM60K-1.28.RT-MIPSR2-108-PL-Nocat-VPN	libssl.so.1.0.0.acfgs	0.945932984
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Among top 50: **42** out of **50** are confirmed vulnerabilities

Previous work: 10/50





Message 1. Deep learning approaches can be not only **more effective**, but also **more efficient** in learning embedding representations for binary **programs**.

Message 2. Program analysis can be a **novel application domain** of deep learning techniques toward a more **secure cyber-physical world**.

