

# Side-Channel Attacks on Human Secrets

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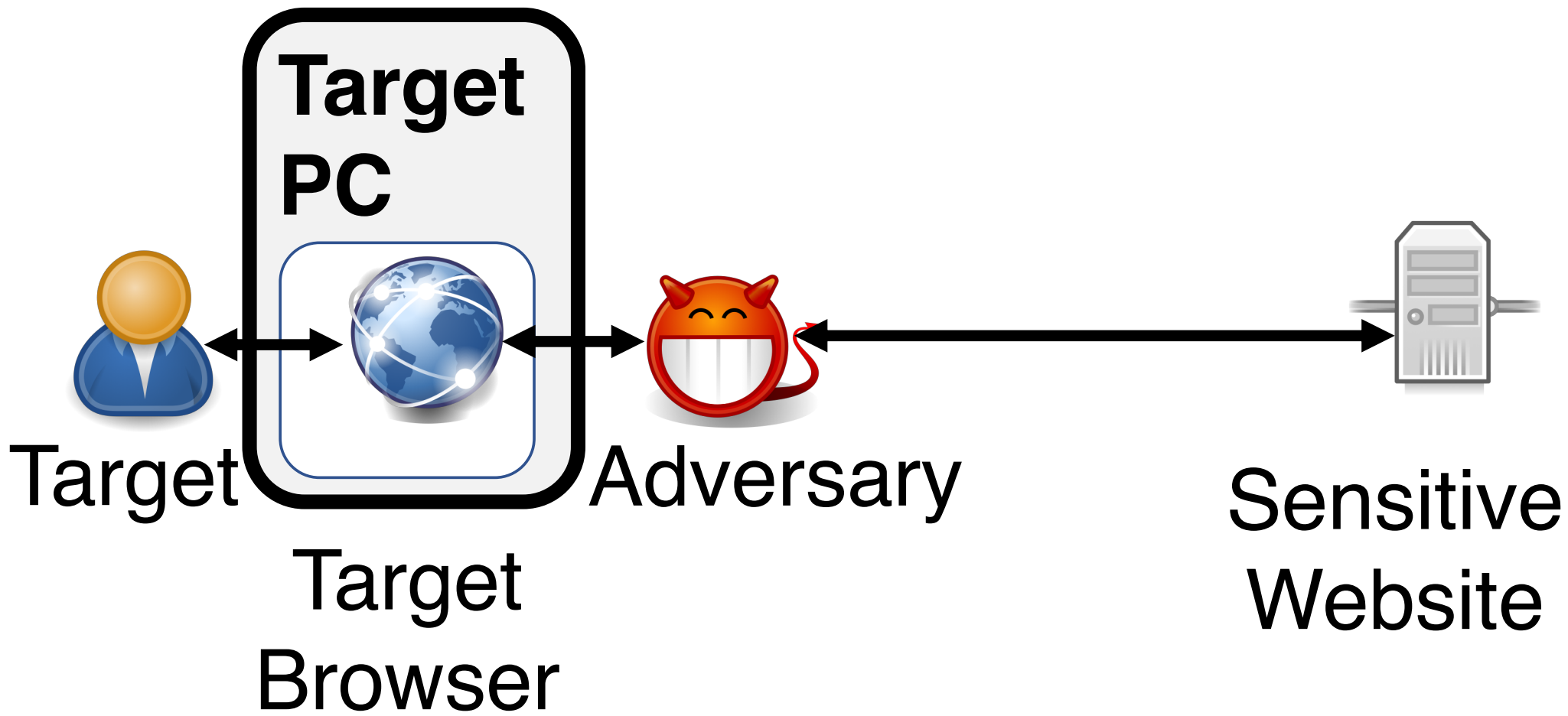
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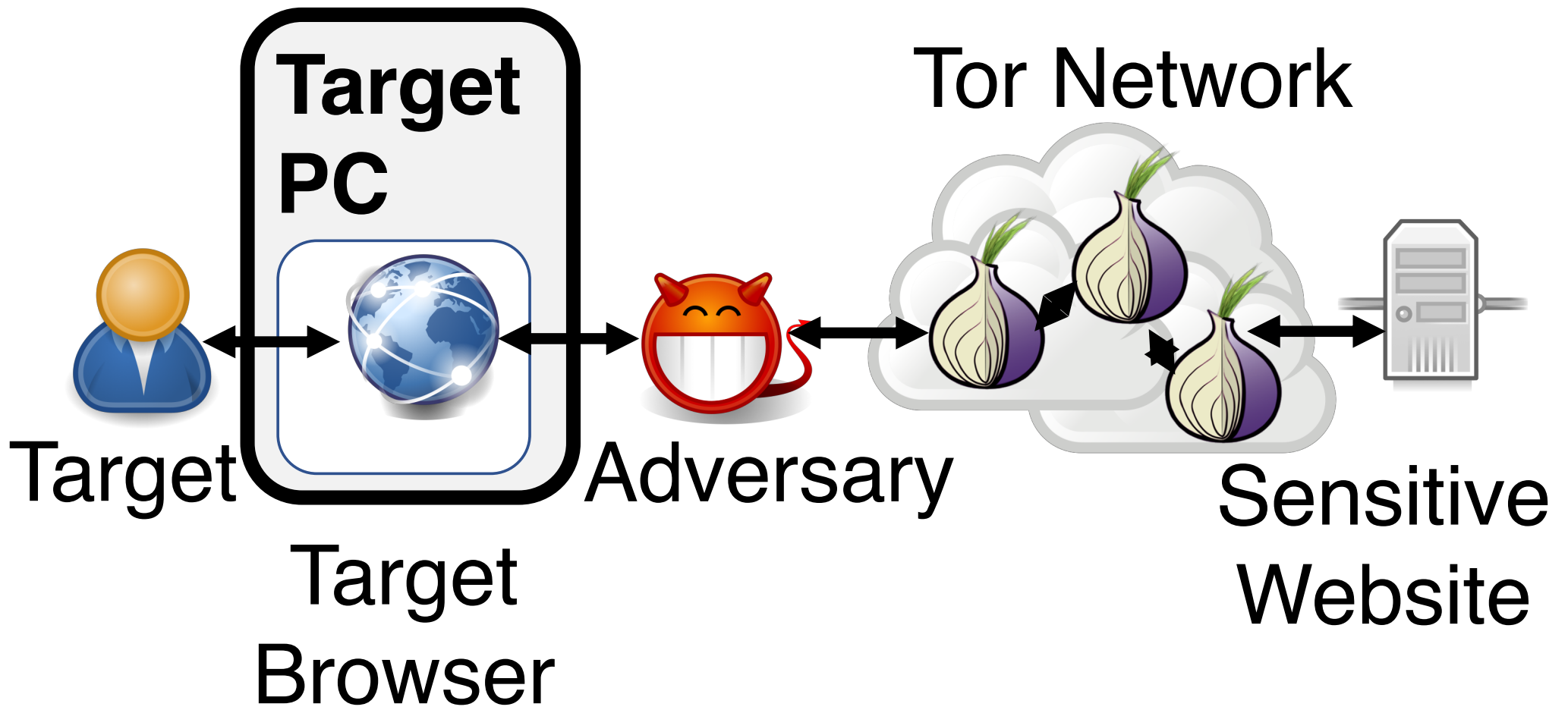
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# Website Fingerprinting

## Automated Website Fingerprinting through Deep Learning

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The feasibility of Website Fingerprinting (WF) attacks on Tor was assessed in a series of studies [25], [31], [19], [24], [32]. In the related works, the attack is treated as a classification problem. This problem is solved by, first, manually engineering features of traffic traces and then classifying these features with state-of-practice machine learning algorithms. Proposed approaches have been shown to achieve a classification accuracy of 91-96% correctly recognized websites [30], [24], [13] in a set of 100 websites with 100 traces per website. Their works show that finding distinctive features is essential for accurate recognition of websites. Moreover, this task can be costly for the adversary as he has to keep up with changes introduced in the network protocol [4], [20], [9]. The WF research community thus far has not investigated the success of an attacker who automates the feature extraction step for classification. This is the key problem that we address in this work.

An essential step of traditional machine learning is feature engineering. Feature engineering is a manual process, based on domain knowledge, to find a representation of raw data that are most relevant to the task. This is often done by hand and can be even more time-consuming.

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# How is WF Evaluated?

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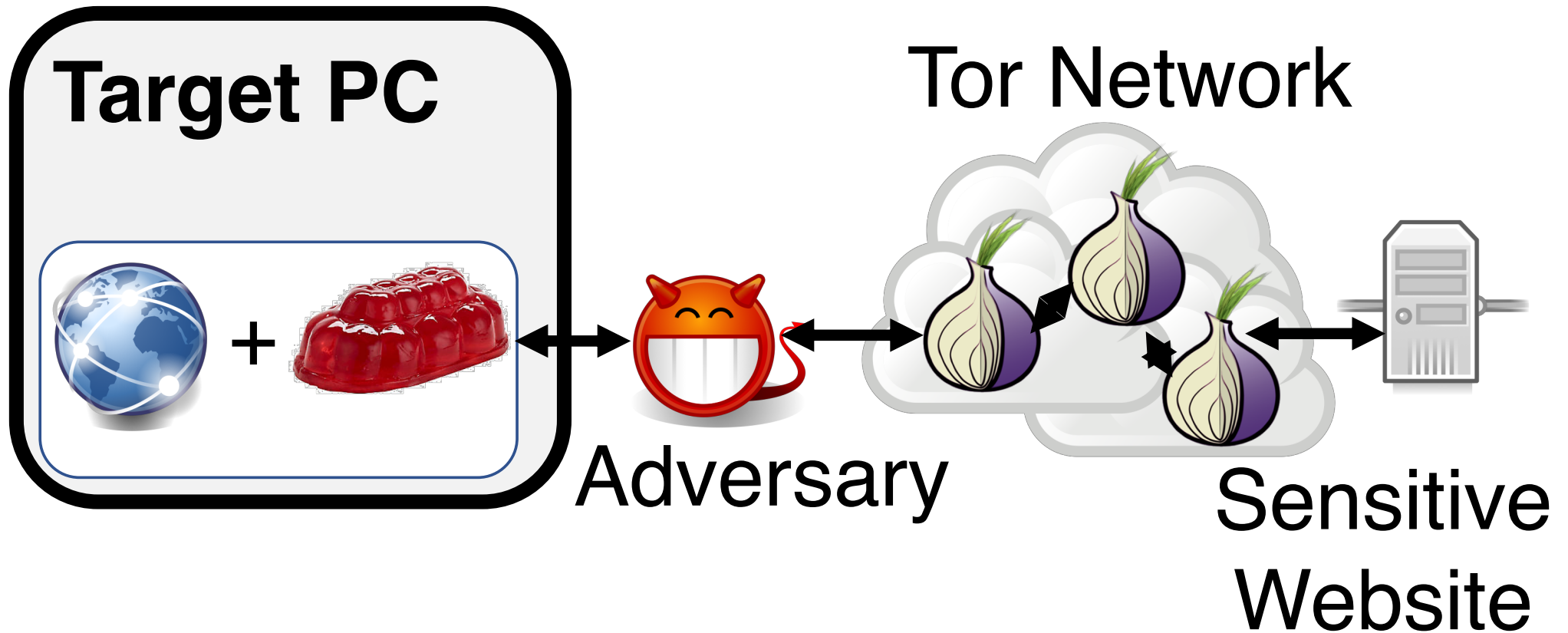
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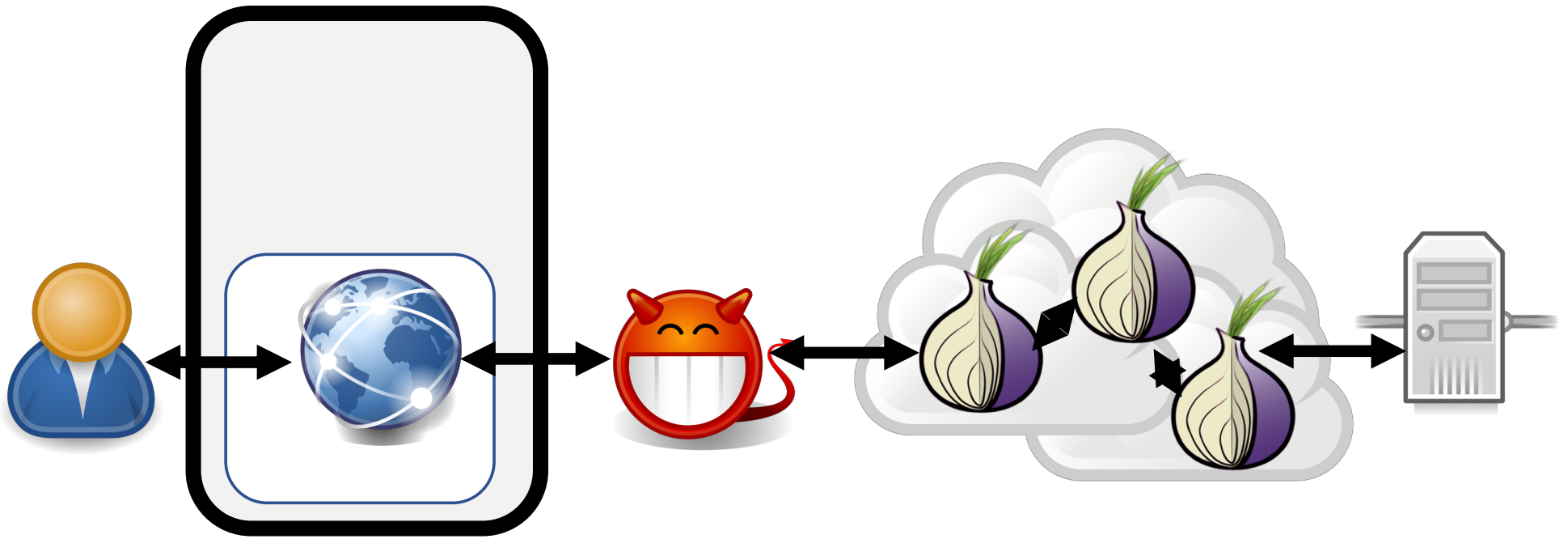
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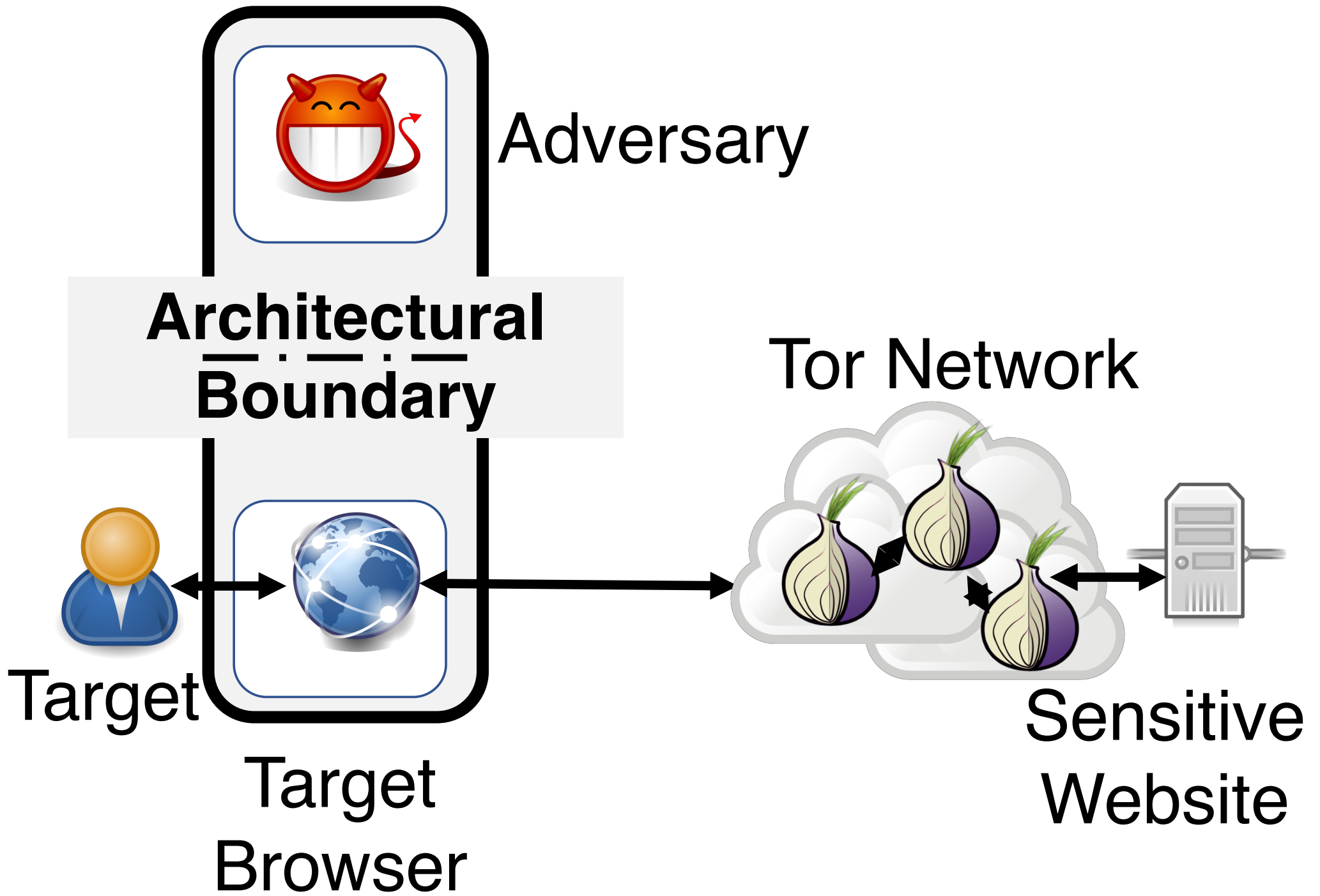
- Main metric is accuracy
- Closed World vs Open World
- Base rate is important!
- Network based WF has >90% accuracy

# Traffic Moulding Defenses against WF









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2 Mar 2017 #1

**sasagiant**  
New Member

Joined: 22 Feb 2017  
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Likes Received: 0  
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Доброго времени суток:  
Представляю вашему вниманию сервис по продаже инсталлов(кроме РУ и СНГ)!!!!  
Доступны большие объемы.  
Просьба уточнять цены и доступное количество в личке.  
Интересны оптовые закупки и прогруз на постоянной основе.  
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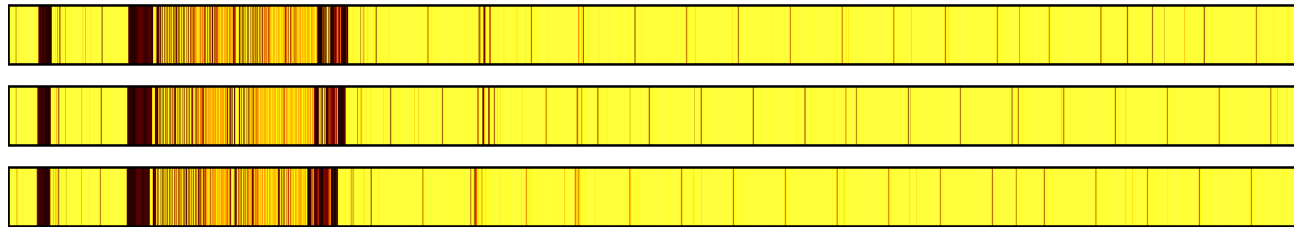
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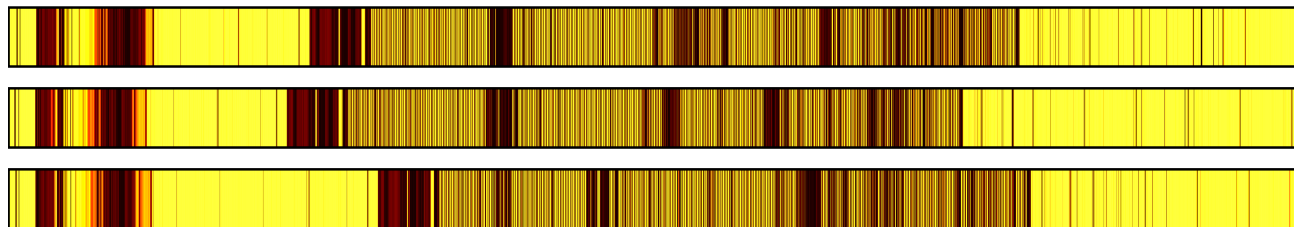
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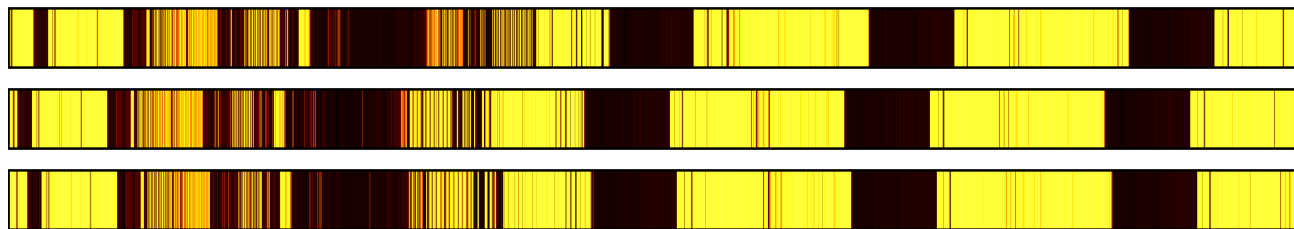
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# Cache-based vs Net-based WF

Cache beats Net	Net beats Cache
Resists net countermeasures	Can be detected by victim
Robust to response caching	Depends on hardware config
Works across NICs	
Lighter attack model	

# Conclusions

- Side-channel attacks can attack **human secrets**, not just **cryptographic secrets**
- Specifically, cache-based website fingerprinting is feasible and very dangerous to user privacy
- What other secrets can we attack?
- What kind of countermeasures apply here?
- Why aren't you joining my lab?

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