Perspectives on Countering Internet Attacks and Disrupting Their Ecosystem

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Overview

- Traditional technical perspective: detecting & blocking Internet attacks
 - Filtered through the lens of network-based monitoring
 - Pitfalls, challenges & trends
- New perspective: cybercrime economics
 - Vast majority of modern attacks motivated by making money
 - Maybe the most effective way to counter attacks is to render them unprofitable

Nature of Network-Based Security Monitoring

- Idea: watch network activity to detect problems, intercede to prevent/limit
- Fundamental appeal: cheap & easy-to-secure
- Drawback #1: bolt-on / reactive
 - Solutions often lack completeness / coherence
 - Greatly increases evasion opportunities
- Drawback #2: limited visibility
 - Monitoring internal enterprise traffic or inter-VM traffic requires pervasive deployment
 - Intractability of analyzing complex appl. semantics
 - Blind* to encrypted traffic

Pitfalls in Detecting/Blocking Attacks

- Challenge #1: coming to the domain from another discipline
 - Due to domain's rapid innovation, very easy to underestimate evolution/relevance
- Machine learning pitfall: failure to illuminate
- Hardware pitfall: focusing on packet signatures
 - Rather than application analysis
- Modeling pitfall: focus on tractability rather than relevance (= new insight)

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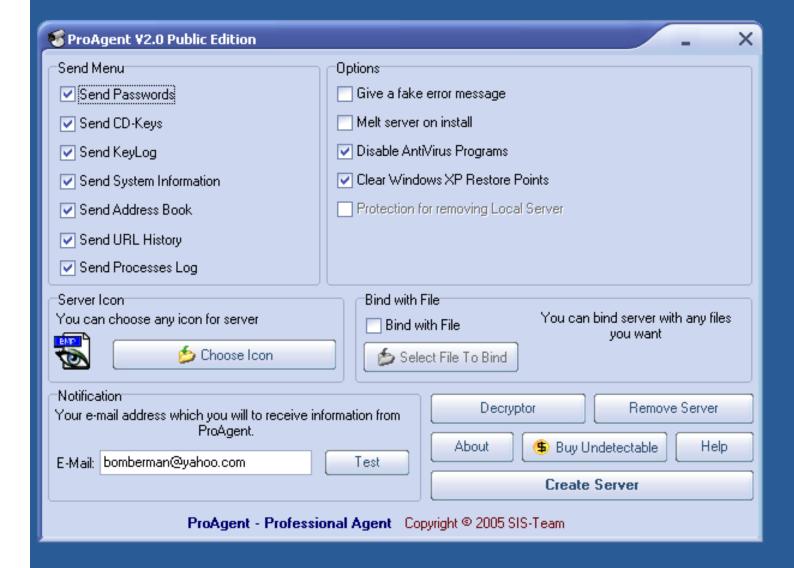
- Challenge #2: resources to fuel analysis
 - Few overt indications that a given resource is lacking
- Data pitfall #1: limited measurements (e.g., Lab)
 - No indication that environment *lacks diversity*
- Data pitfall #2: leveraging public traces / simulation
 - Especially Lincoln Labs and KDD Cup!
- Instead: for data, need access to operational environments and/or large-scale Internet services
 - Can require nurturing special relationships
- Tool pitfall: assuming Snort is state-of-the-art
 - Whether it's appropriate requires careful assessment

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- Challenge #3: establishing operational relevance
 - Will a given approach actually make a difference?
- Need to illuminate false positive/negative tradeoff
 - Need to consider Base Rate Fallacy
- Pitfall: failure to illuminate why FP/FNs occur
 - Actionable decisions?
- Pitfall: failure to illuminate why TP/TNs occur!
 - Which components/features matter and which don't?
- Need to illuminate role of (minimal) parameters, how to set them, how they do/don't generalize

The Cybercrime Ecosystem













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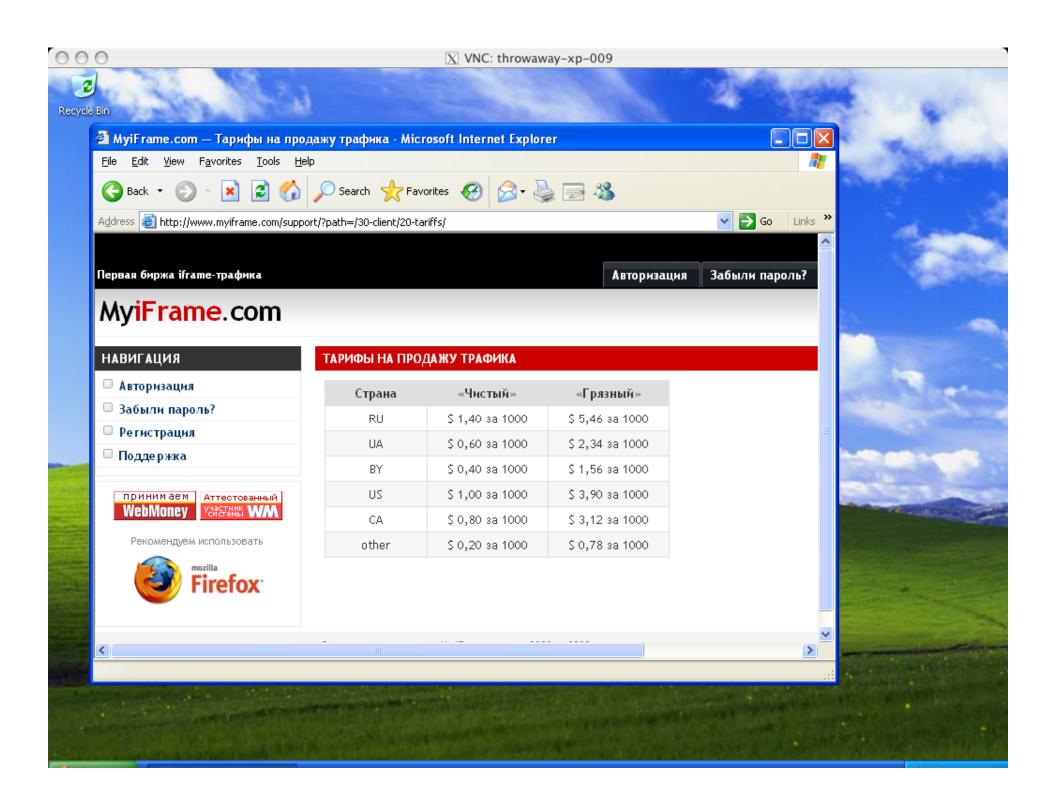
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Friend Adders, Message Senders, Comment Posters & Others

(All Bots Work In A Conventional Manner, They Gather Friend IDs/Names And Send Friend Requests, Messages, Comments Automatically)

Chaining Feature Is Available On All Bots for All Networks Except Facebook







Список доступных акков

Сервис по продаже аккаунтов аукцыона еВау.

Добрые юзеры аукцыона еВау предлагают вашему вниманию свои аккаунты.

Постоянным клиентам и тем, кто берет более 5 акков, различные бонусы и скидки.

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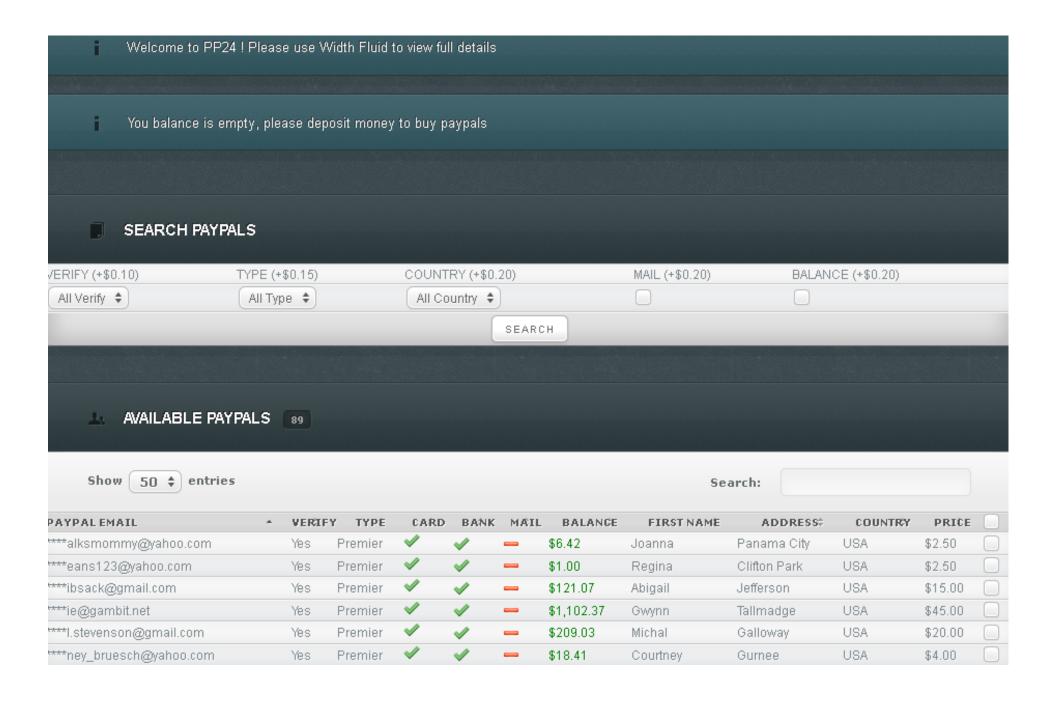
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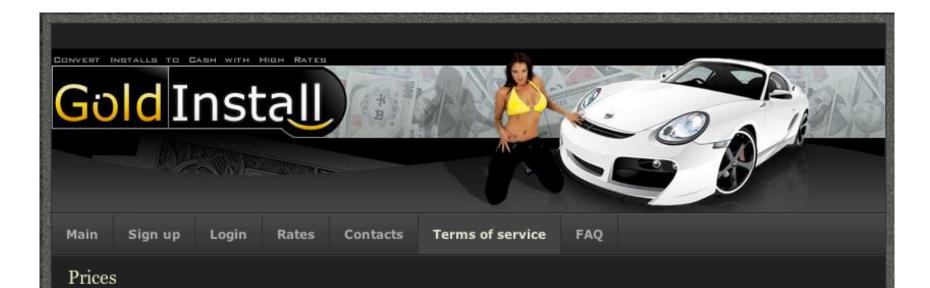
Работа через гарант сервие приветствуется.

Мон цены:

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seller/баер акк до 10 фидов = 5$ seller/баер акк 10-25 фидов = 10$ seller/баер акк 25-50 фидов = 15$ seller/баер акк более 50 фидов = 25$
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Goldinstall Rates for 1K Installs for each Country.

Country	Price
OTH	13\$
US	150\$
GB	110\$
CA	110\$
DE	30\$
BE	20\$
IT	65\$
CH	20\$
CZ	20\$
DK	20\$
ES	30\$
AU	55\$
FR	30\$
NL	20\$
NO	20\$
PT	30\$
LB	6\$



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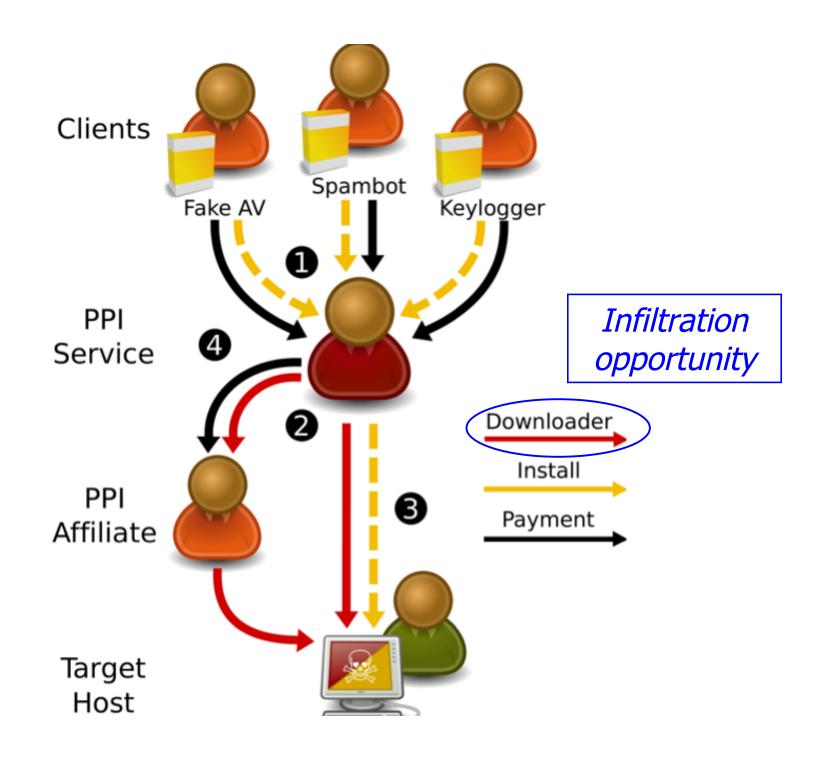
You will earn **from 6\$**(Asia) to **180\$**(USA) per 1000 installs. You can view all prices in the <u>«Rates»</u> section.

Key Features

Thanks to an individual approach to each client when you work with our system you have:

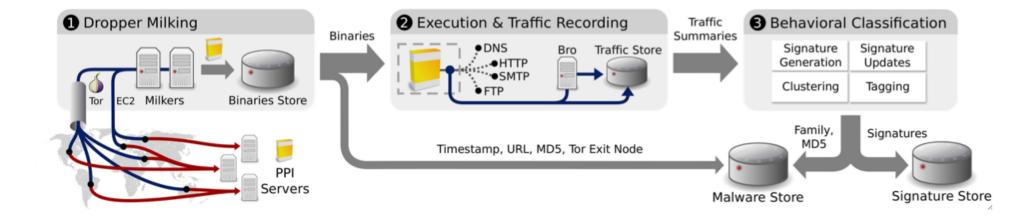
- Online statistics updated in real time
- A 24-hour support service ready to answer all your questions
- Absolutely no shaving and total independence of your statistics from other system users
- Stable weekly payments on virtually all payment systems: Fethard, WebMoney, Wire, e-gold, Western Union (WU), MoneyGram, Anelik and ePassporte, and





Advanced Malware Intelligence via PPI Infiltration

Milking = mimic downloader, repeatedly ask PPI service for next program to install



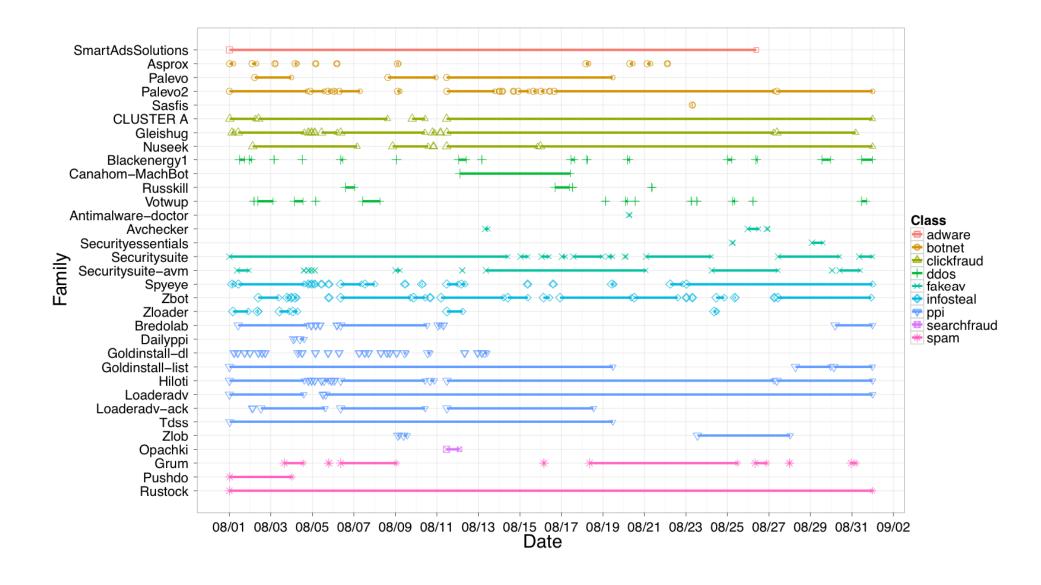
Running since August 2010, we downloaded > 1M binaries (9K distinct) from 4 different affiliate programs

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	Name	%	MONETIZATION	KIT	SEEN
1	Palevo	7.50	DoS,Info stealer	/	1
2	Hiloti	4.69	Downloader/PPI		1
3	Zbot	3.62	Info stealer	/	/
4	FakeRean	3.47	Rogue AV(s)		/
5	Onlinegames	2.94	Info stealer		?
6	Rustock	2.66	Spam		/
7	Ldpinch	2.64	Info stealer	/	?
8	Renos	2.58	Rogue AV(s)		?
9	Zlob	2.54	Rogue software		/
10	Autoit	2.53	Downloader/PPI		
11	Conficker	2.48	Worm		
12	Opachki	1.95	Click Fraud		/
13	Buzus	1.91	Info stealer		
14	Koobface	1.17	Downloader		
15	Alureon	1.16	Downloader	1	/
16	Bredolab	1.15	Downloader/PPI	/	/
17	Piptea	1.13	Downloader/PPI		1
18	Ertfor	0.91	Rogue AV(s)		1
19	Virut	0.91	Downloader/PPI		1
20	Storm 2.0	0.80	Spam		\ /
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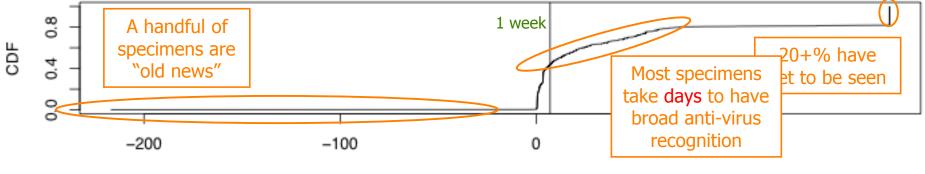
20 Storm 2.0 0.80 Spam

Table 2: FireEye's top 20 malware families observed in their MAX Cloud network on the April–June 2010 time

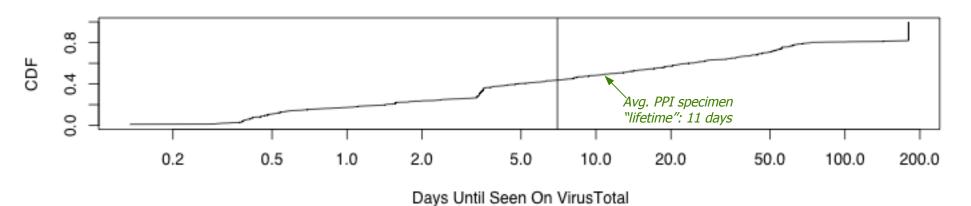
The majority of the world's top malware appeared in our "milk"

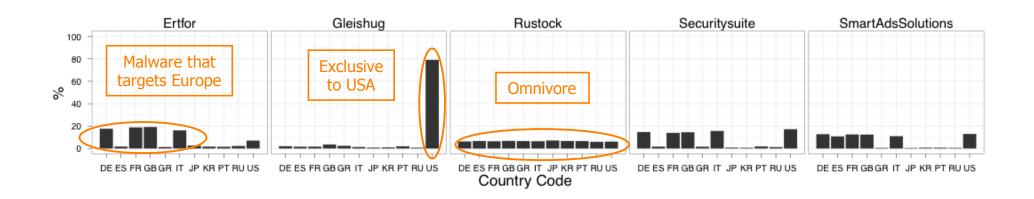


PPI distribution of malware during August 2010



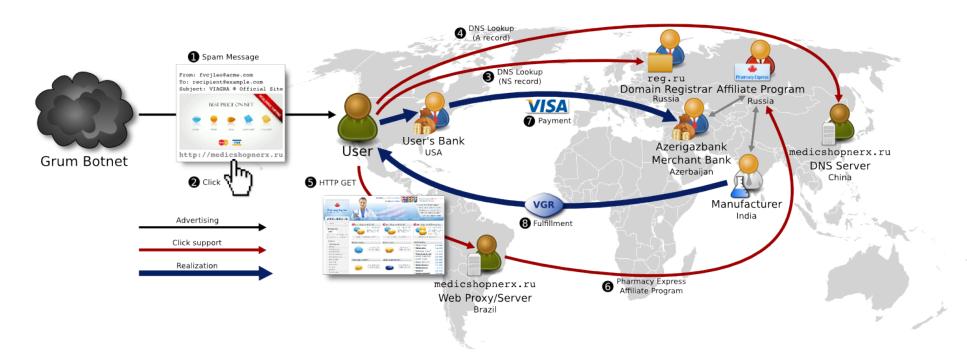
Days Until Seen On VirusTotal





Making Money

Phases of the Spam Value Chain



Joint work w/ UCSD

What's the most potent point of intervention?

Affiliate Program	URLs	Volume	Domains
RX-Promotion	160,522,026	21.7%	10,586
Mailien	69,961,211	23.57%	14,444
Pharmacy Express	69,959,633	23.57%	14,381
ED Express	1,578	<0.01%	63
ZedCash (Pharma)	42,297,130	18.93%	6,981
Dr. Maxman	32,184,860	13.19%	5,641
Viagrow	5,222,658	3.57%	386
US HealthCare Inc.	3,196,538	1.42%	167
MaxGentleman	1,144,703	0.39%	672
VigREX	426,873	0.31%	39
Stud Extreme	71,104	0.05%	43
ManXtenz	50,394	<0.01%	33
GlavMed	28,313,136	7.84%	2,933
Online Pharmacy	17,266,034	5.07%	2,922
EvaPharmacy	12,798,999	7.91%	11,285
World Pharmacy	10,412,850	5.88%	691
PH Online	2,971,368	2.14%	101
Swiss Apotheke	1,593,532	0.21%	118
HerbalGrowth	265,131	0.19%	17
RX Partners	229,248	0.15%	448
Stimul-cash	157,537	0.07%	50
MAXX Extend	104,201	<0.01%	23
DrugRevenue	51,637	0.05%	122
Ultimate Pharmacy	44,126	0.02%	_12
Greenline	25,021	<0.01%	1,766
Virility	23,528	0.01%	9
MediTrust	6,156	<0.01%	24
RX Rev Share	5,690	<0.01%	183
Unknown Program	3,310	<0.01%	1,270
Canadian Pharmacy	1,392	<0.01%	133
RXCash	287	<0.01%	22
Stallion	80	<0.01%	2
Pharma Total	347,053,630	93.74%	54,142

Affiliate Program	URLs	Volume	Domains
Royal Software	2,291,571	1.48%	572
EuroSoft	694,810	0.31%	1,161
Auth. Soft. Resellers	65,918	<0.01%	4,117
OEM Soft Store	19,436	<0.01%	1,367
Soft Sales	93	<0.01%	35
Software Total	3,071,828	1.79%	7,252

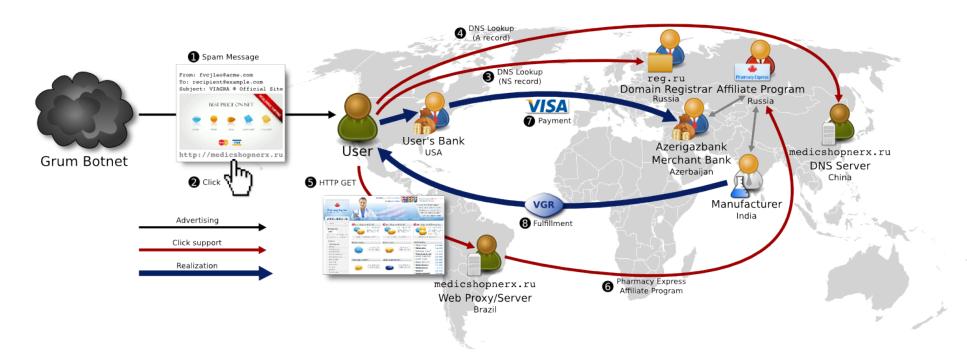
Looked at three categories:

Pharma, Replica, Software

Covered all the major affiliate programs

Affiliate Program	URLs	Volume	Domains
ZedCash (Replica)	13,264,108	4.29%	7,011
Ultimate Replica	10,464,930	3.35%	5,032
Distinction Replica	1,252,816	0.3%	130
Diamond Replicas	506,486	0.14%	1,307
Prestige Replicas	382,964	0.16%	101
Exquisite Replicas	620,642	0.32%	128
One Replica	21,318	0.02%	83
Luxury Replica	11,207	<0.01%	28
Aff. Accessories	3,669	<0.01%	187
Swiss Rep. & Co.	76	<0.01%	15
WatchShop	2,086,930	0.17%	547
Replica Total	15,351,038	4.46%	7,558

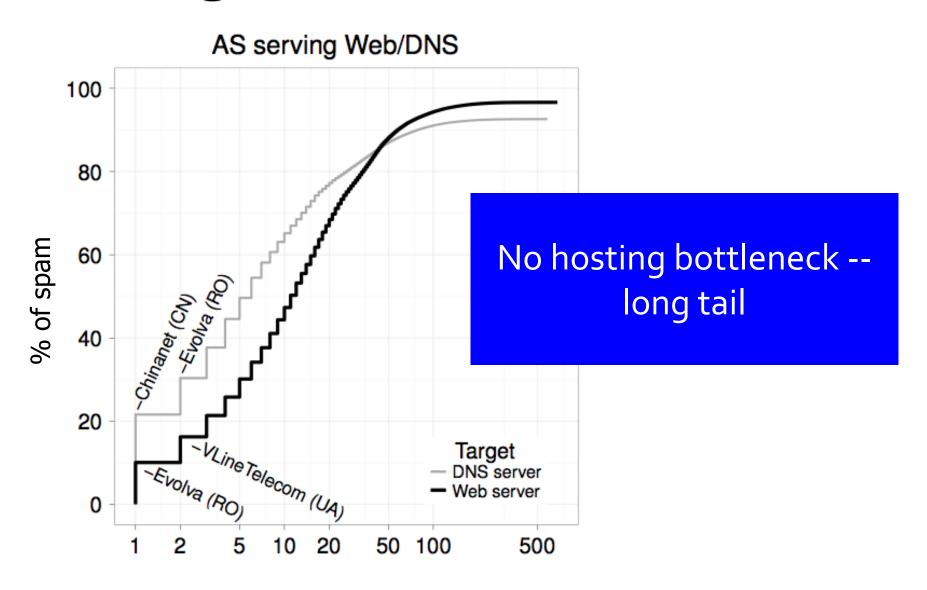
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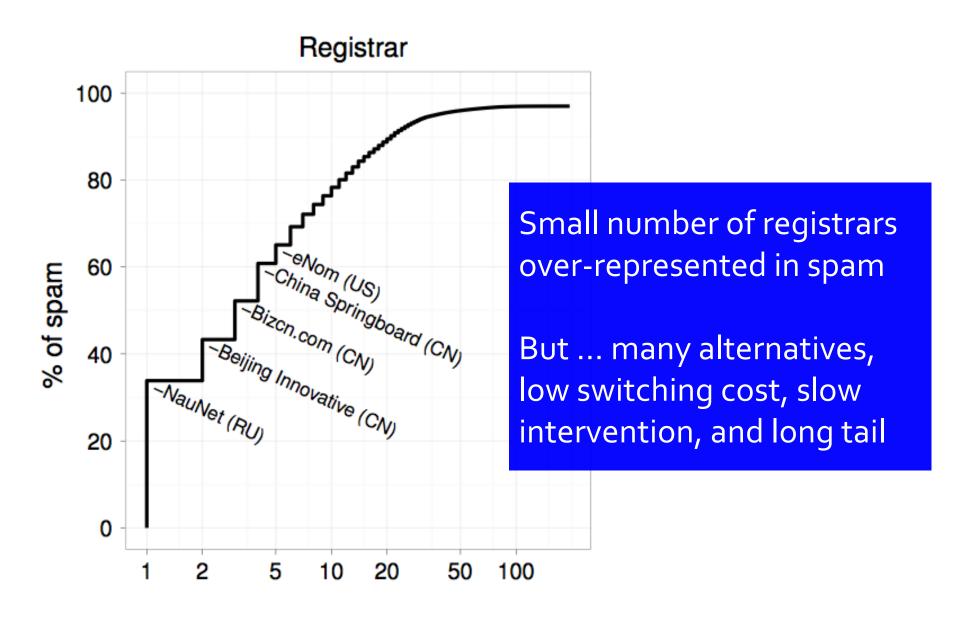
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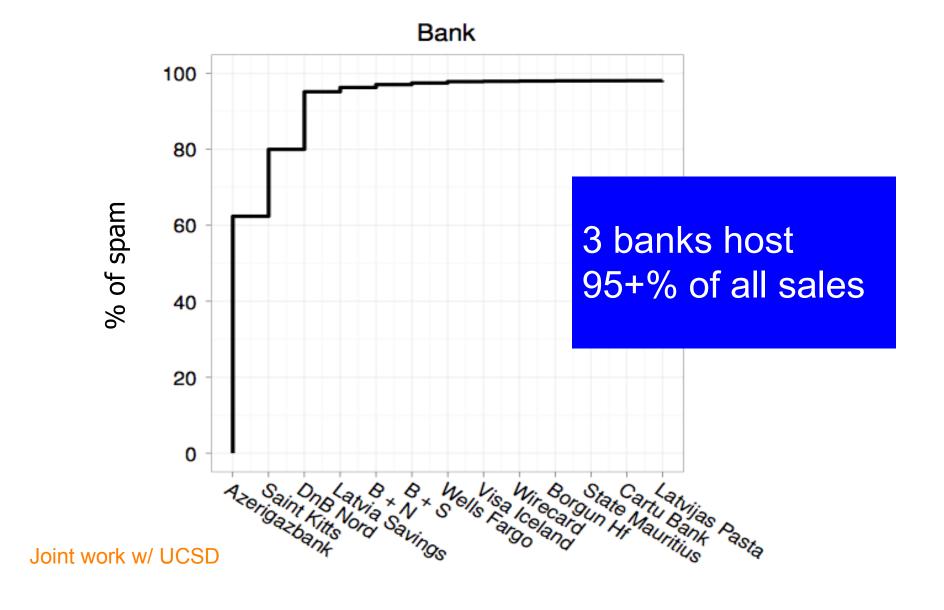
Hosting bottlenecks



Registrar bottlenecks



Merchant Bank bottlenecks



Summary

- Data = Gold
 - From operational environments
 - From large-scale Internet services
 - Can require nurturing special relationships
- For detection/defenses, above all we seek illumination
 - Regarding both limitations and simply why something works when it does
 - How will it work in other/different contexts?
- New frontier: cybercrime ecosystem
 - Fuels arms-race benefiting other actors, too
 - Just how does profiting from Internet attacks work?
 - And how is it vulnerable to disruption?