



Knowledge & Data
Engineering Systems



University
of Glasgow

OSPtrack:

A Labelled Dataset Targeting Simulated Execution of Open-Source Software

Zhuoran Tan, Christos Anagnostopoulos, Jeremy Singer

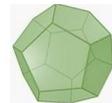
School of Computing Science, University of Glasgow, UK



OSPtrack Dataset

Challenges

- **Lack of Source Code Access:**
 - Current solutions assume plaintext access, **but** in practice, source code of third-party software is often unavailable.
- **No Runtime Datasets:**
 - There is lack of datasets capturing the runtime behaviour of malicious packages or libraries.
- **Limited Labelled Data for Threat Detection:**
 - Existing datasets do not support real-time or runtime threat detection in third-party packages.

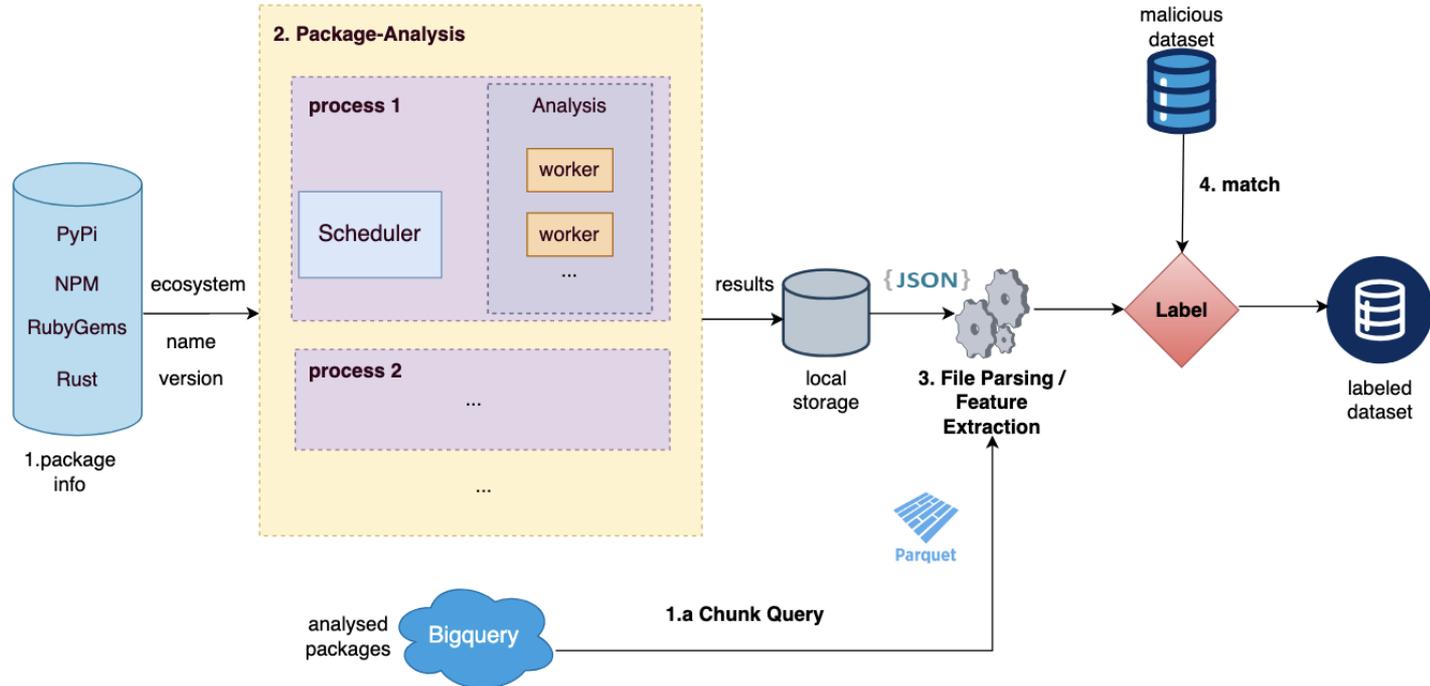


OSPtrack Dataset

Our Approach

- **Sandbox Execution:**
Run each library/package once in a sandbox environment using *package-analysis* tools.
- **Dynamic Feature Collection:**
Monitor and extract runtime behaviors and features during execution.
- **Malicious Dataset Sourcing:**
Collect known malicious packages from **OpenSSF**
- **Feature Engineering:**
Extract key features and reduce noise to improve threat detection accuracy

Data Simulation & Extraction





Data Structure and Features

Five Ecosystems:

- npm
- pypi
- crates.io
- nuget
- packagist

Metadata:

- ecosystem
- package_name
- version
- features

Features:

- Two sections:
import and install
- Sub features:
 - File ---> file-related activities
 - Sockets ---> socket operations
 - Commands ---> execution of system commands
 - DNS ---> DNS queries

Dataset Size and Distribution



- 9,461 package instances
- 1,962 are malicious

TABLE II
PACKAGE COUNTS BY ECOSYSTEM, PACKAGE COUNT, LABEL, AND
SUB-LABEL.

Ecosystem	Count	Label	Sub_Label
crates.io	1205	0	na
	1	1	na
packagist	265	0	na
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
rubygems	61	0	na
	269	1	na
	8	1	C2
pypi	1323	0	na
	812	1	na
	38	1	C2
	2	1	command exec
npm	4645	0	na
	800	1	na
	18	1	C2
	11	1	root shell
	2	1	command exec

Research Opportunities



Running vulnerability detection



malicious software classification



Threat hunting



Differential analysis of vulnerabilities in diverse ecosystem



Resources



Takeway:

- Dynamic features
- Multiple ecosystems
- Creditable labels
- Software supply chain security



Data:

<https://zenodo.org/records/14680781>



Code:

<https://github.com/Wapiti08/OSPTrack>