

Pwning games – Cheaters, hookers and endbosses

Summer of Pwnage



| What does this have to do with WordPress ??



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Nothing! 😊



Target : iOS games with GameCenter



Handling highscores and achievements



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Player

Play
Game



Send score



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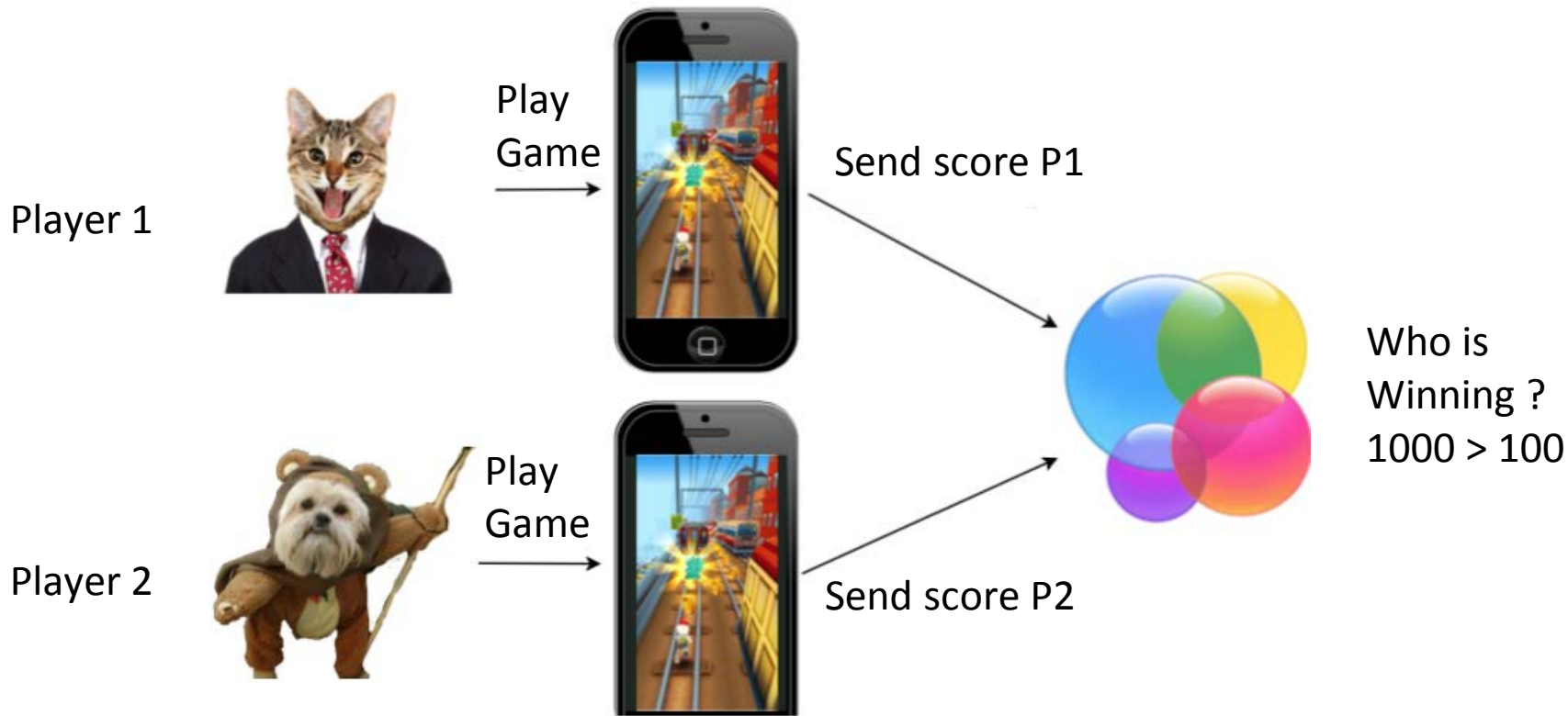
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If 100000 pts
update
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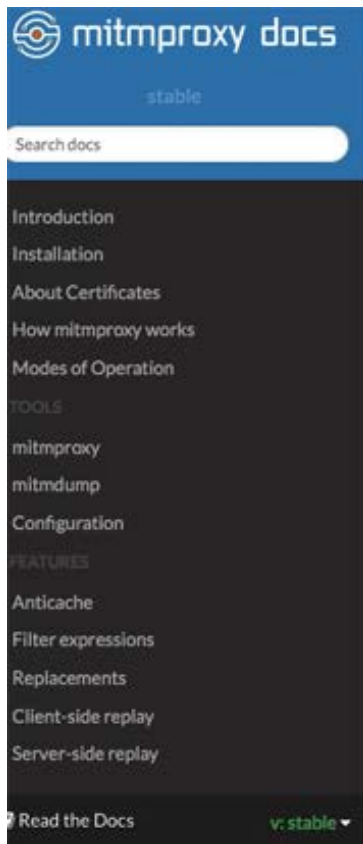
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WINNING!!!



Online tools and guides



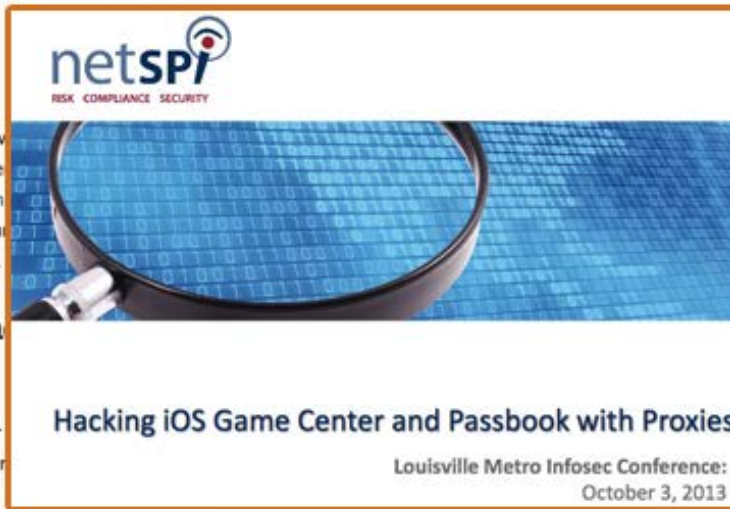
Setting highscores on Apple's GameCenter

The setup

In this tutorial, I'm going to show you how to creatively interfere with Apple Game Center traffic using mitmproxy. To set things up, [install the mitmproxy certificate](#). Then start mitmproxy on your computer and configure the iPhone to use it as a proxy.

Taking a look at the GameCenter traffic

Lets take a first look at the Game Center traffic in this tutorial is [Super Mega Worm](#) - a great apocalyptic sidescroller for the iPhone:





Questions ??



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“Burp” for methods



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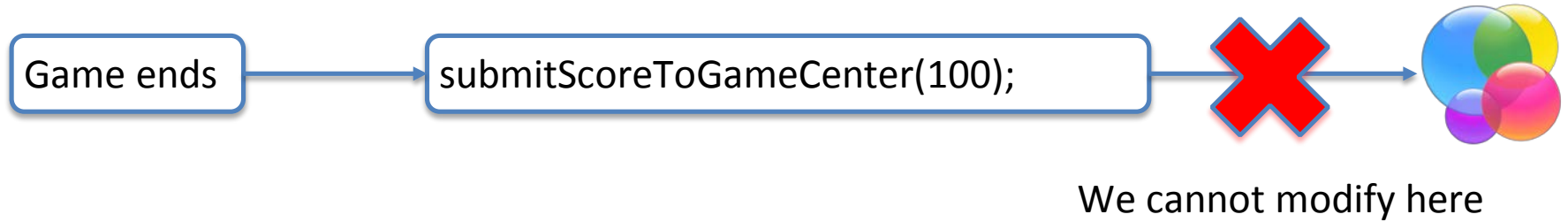
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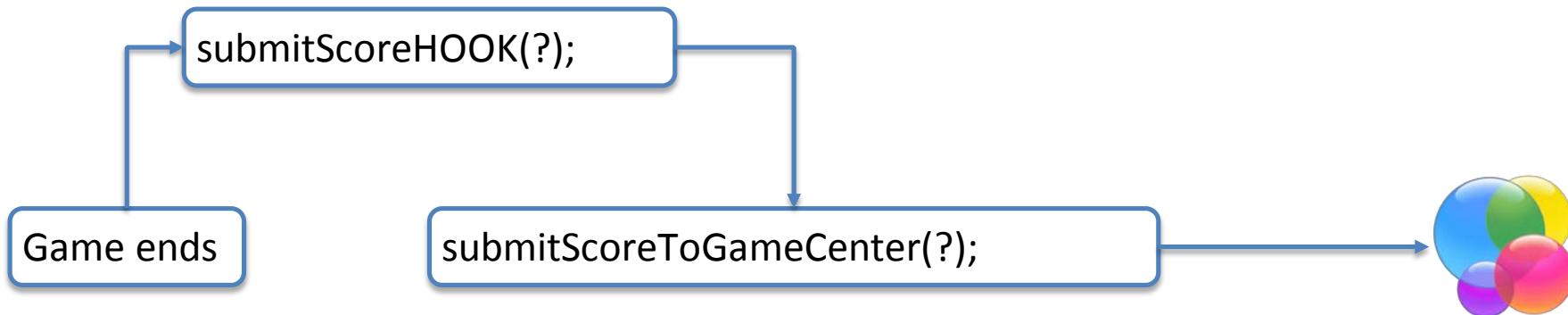
`submitScoreToGameCenter(100);`



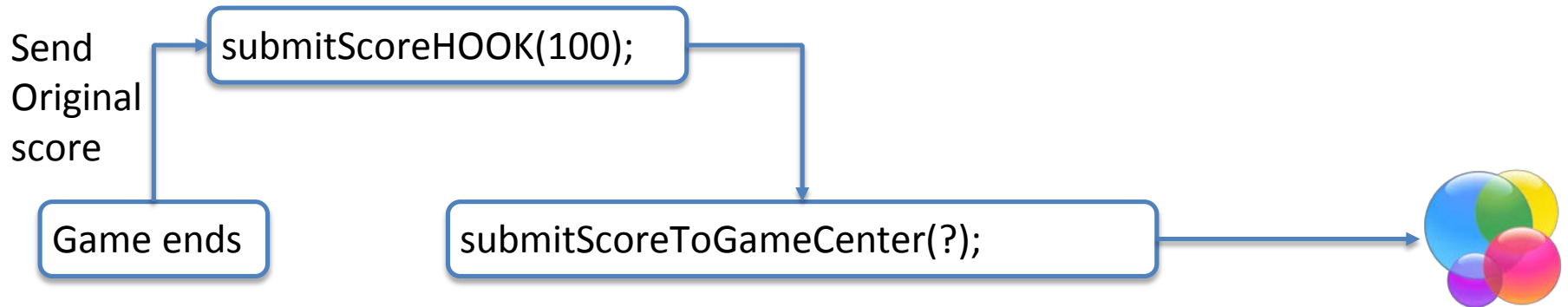
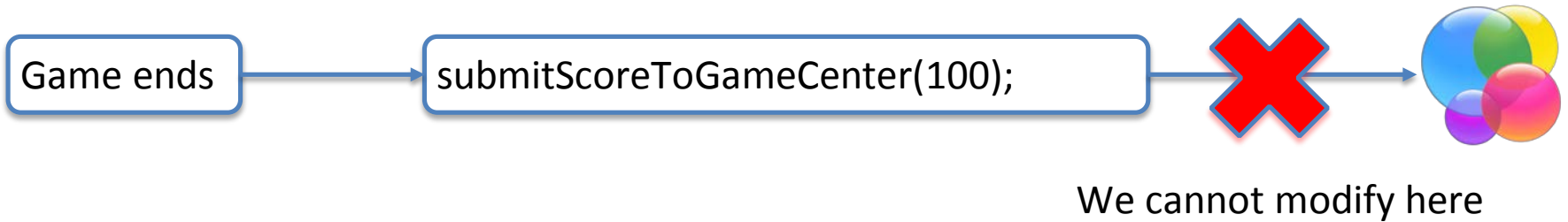
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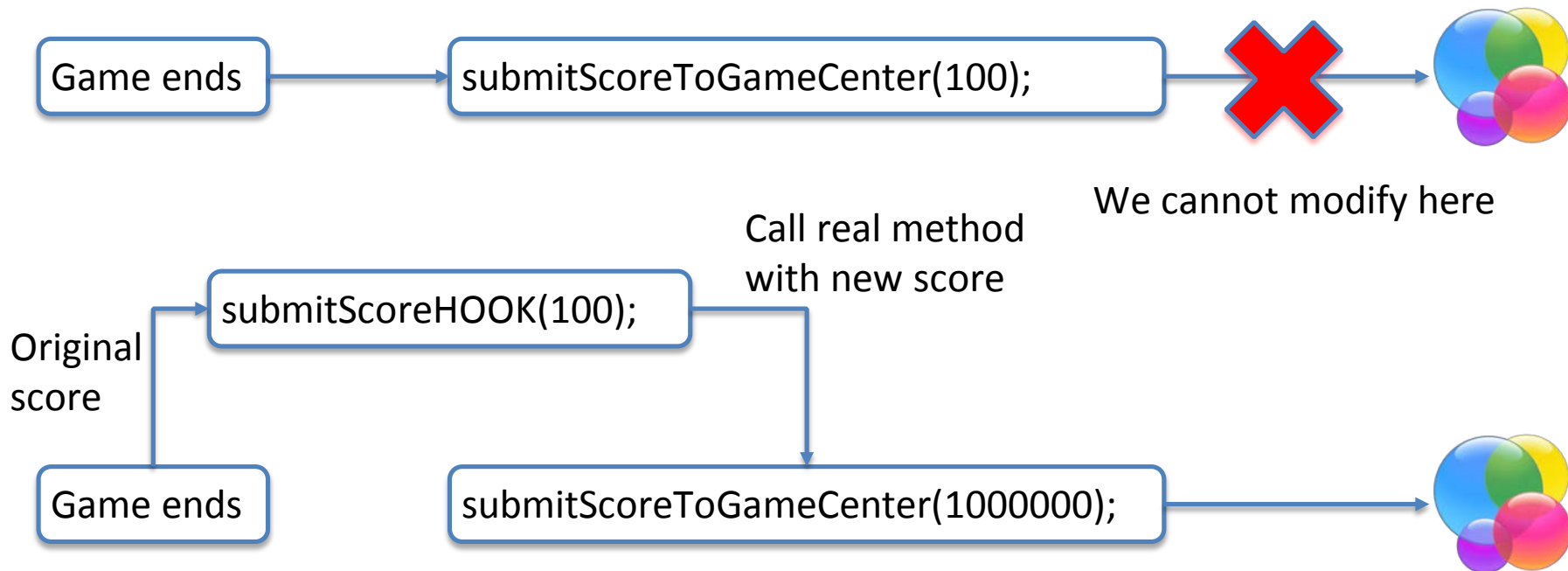
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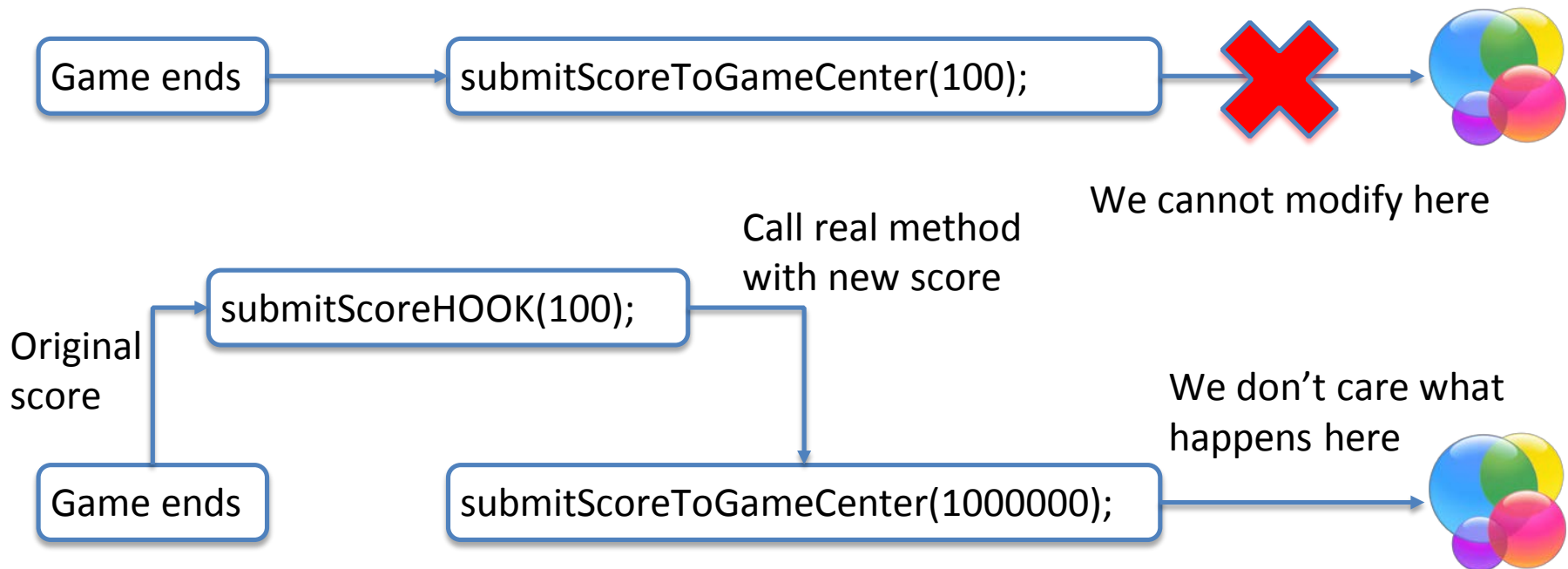
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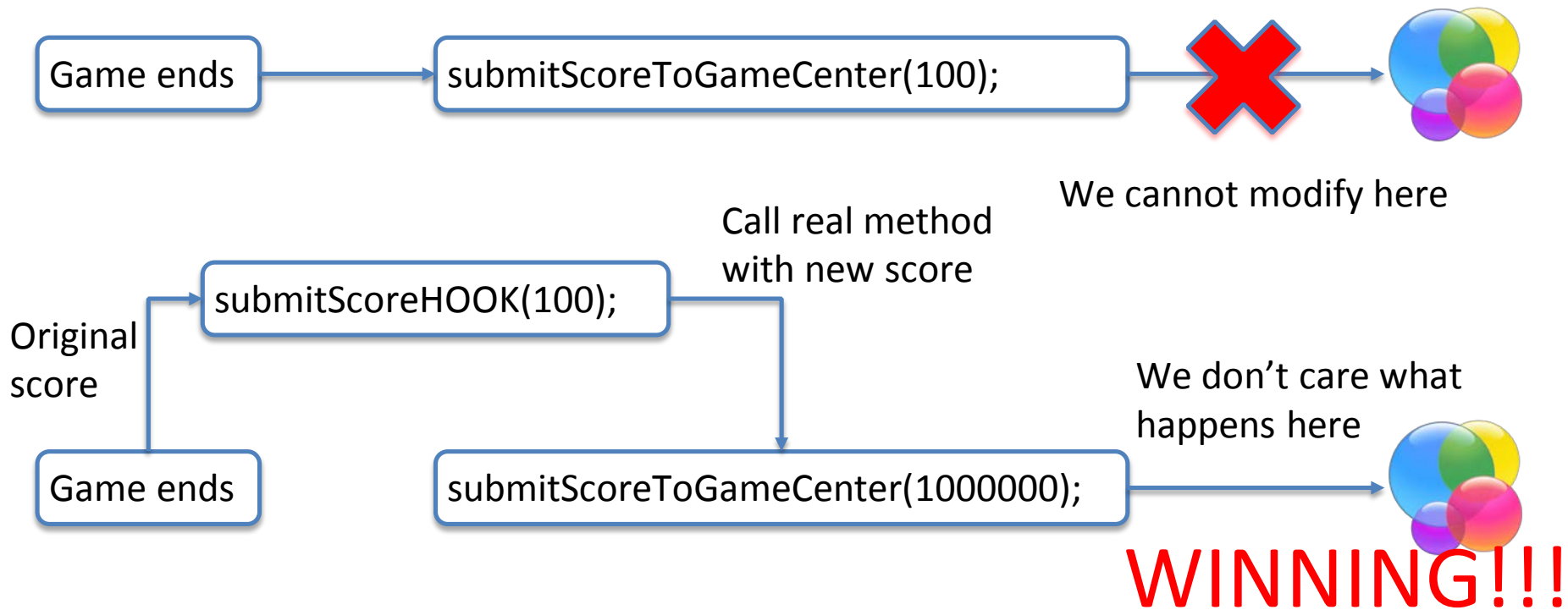
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- Apple API documentation
- otool
- class-dump
- IDA Pro
- Hopper
- nm
- ...



Game Center and Game Kit



Game Center and Game Kit

GKScore

A GKScore class holds information for a score that was earned by the player. Your game creates GKScore objects to post scores to a leaderboard on Game Center. When your game retrieves score information from a leaderboard, those scores are returned as GKScore objects.

GKAchievement

Your game uses a GKAchievement object to communicate with Game Center about the local player's progress towards completing an achievement.



Game Center and Game Kit

Reporting scores

+ `reportScores:withCompletionHandler:`

Reports a list of scores to Game Center

+ `reportScores:withEligibleChallenges:withCompletionHandler:`

Submit a list of scores and all eligible challenges.



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Retrieving and submitting achievements

+ `loadAchievementsWithCompletionHandler:`

Loads previously submitted achievement progress for the local player from Game Center.

+ `reportAchievements:withCompletionHandler:`

Reports progress on an array of achievements.

+ `reportAchievements:withEligibleChallenges:withCompletionHandler:`

Reports a list of achievements and limits the challenges those achievements may complete.



Result

2048

SCORE 64 BEST 50000

MENU LEADERBOARD

Join the numbers and get to the 2048 tile!

			16
		4	8
2	2	4	2

2048 2048

Tap to rate this game

Like Facebook Liking Unavailable

Leaderboards Achievements Players

1 Friend All Time

1	CM	Me	10,000,000
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All 52.360.935 Players All Time

1		"chuban15"	10,000,000
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Me Friends Games Challenges Turns

Leaderboards Achievements Players

Challenges 49 to 64 30 PTS
Challenges 49 to 64 completed. Congratulations!

50 wins in Multiplayer VS 5 PTS
Win 50 games in Multiplayer VS mode.

VS 100 100 wins in Multiplayer VS 10 PTS
You won 100 games in Multiplayer VS mode!

500 wins in Multiplayer VS 15 PTS
Win 500 games in Multiplayer VS mode.

VS 1000 1000 wins in Multiplayer VS 20 PTS
You won 1000 games in Multiplayer VS mode!

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But seriously guys don't cheat, its not cool!



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DEMO TIME!



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```
function exploit(){
global $curl, $optio
$pl0 = "\xdel\x12\x04\x
3
9
10
71
72
73
74
75
6
}
if ($options['m'] == 'adm
echo "\nEnabling Adm:
$data = array('actio
'option_value' => 'ad
$curl->post($optio
$resp = $curl->ge
echo "Response:
}
```

```
12\x04\x95\x00\x00\x00\x00\x
m'] == 'admin_on'){
abling Admin mode\n";
ray('action' => 'dcwss_update', 'op
lue' => 'administrator');
t($options['t'], '/wp-admin/admin
url->getResponse();
nse: ". $resp. "\n";
}
```



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