

Automatically Backup Module against Ransomware Attack

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Agenda

1. Ransomware?
2. Prepare for Ransomware infection.
3. Server Side Solution
4. Implementation
5. (+Demo)

Who am I?

- Security Researcher/Engineer (18 years)
- SELinux/MAC Evangelist (14 years)
- Antivirus Engineer (3 years)
- SIEM Engineer (3 years)
- CISSP (#366942)
- 120kg Bench Press Max
- Member of Secure OSS-Sig



1. Ransomware

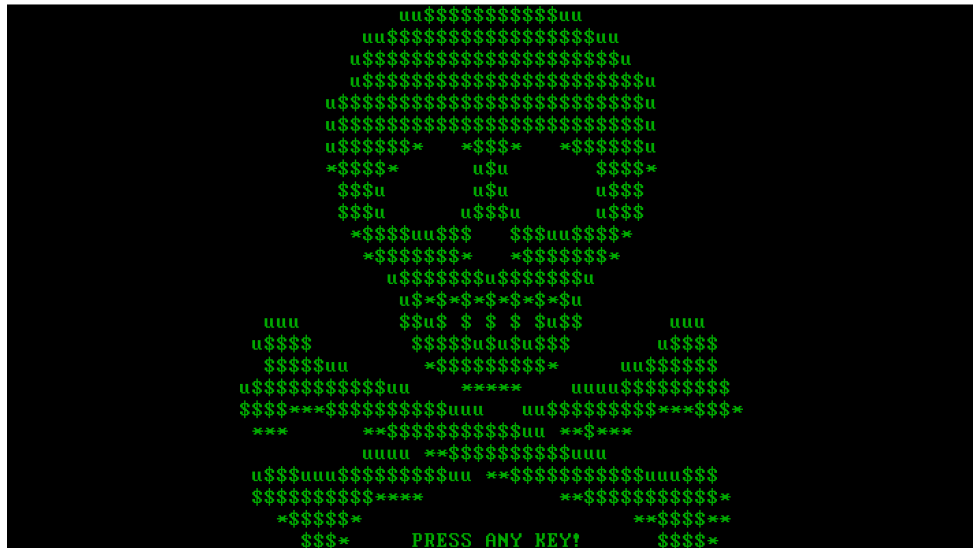


What is Ransomware?

Ransomware

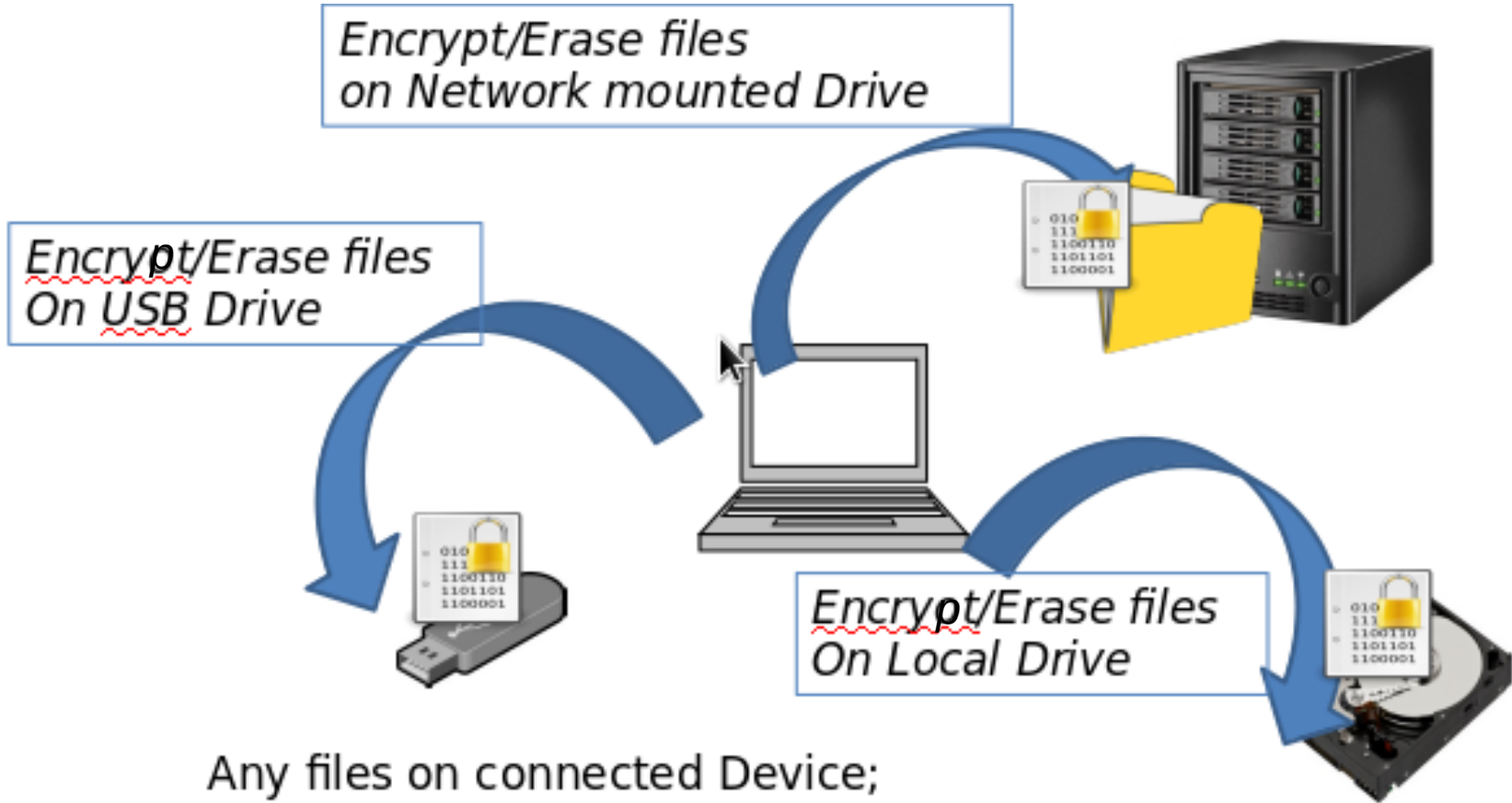
[TrendMicro definition]

Ransomware is a **type of malware** that prevents or limits users from accessing their system, either by locking the system's screen or **by locking the users' files** unless a ransom is paid.



(Ref: <https://www.trendmicro.com/vinfo/us/security/definition/ransomware>)

So, what Ransomware do?



Any files on connected Device;

- Encrypt ->
- Erase randomly ->



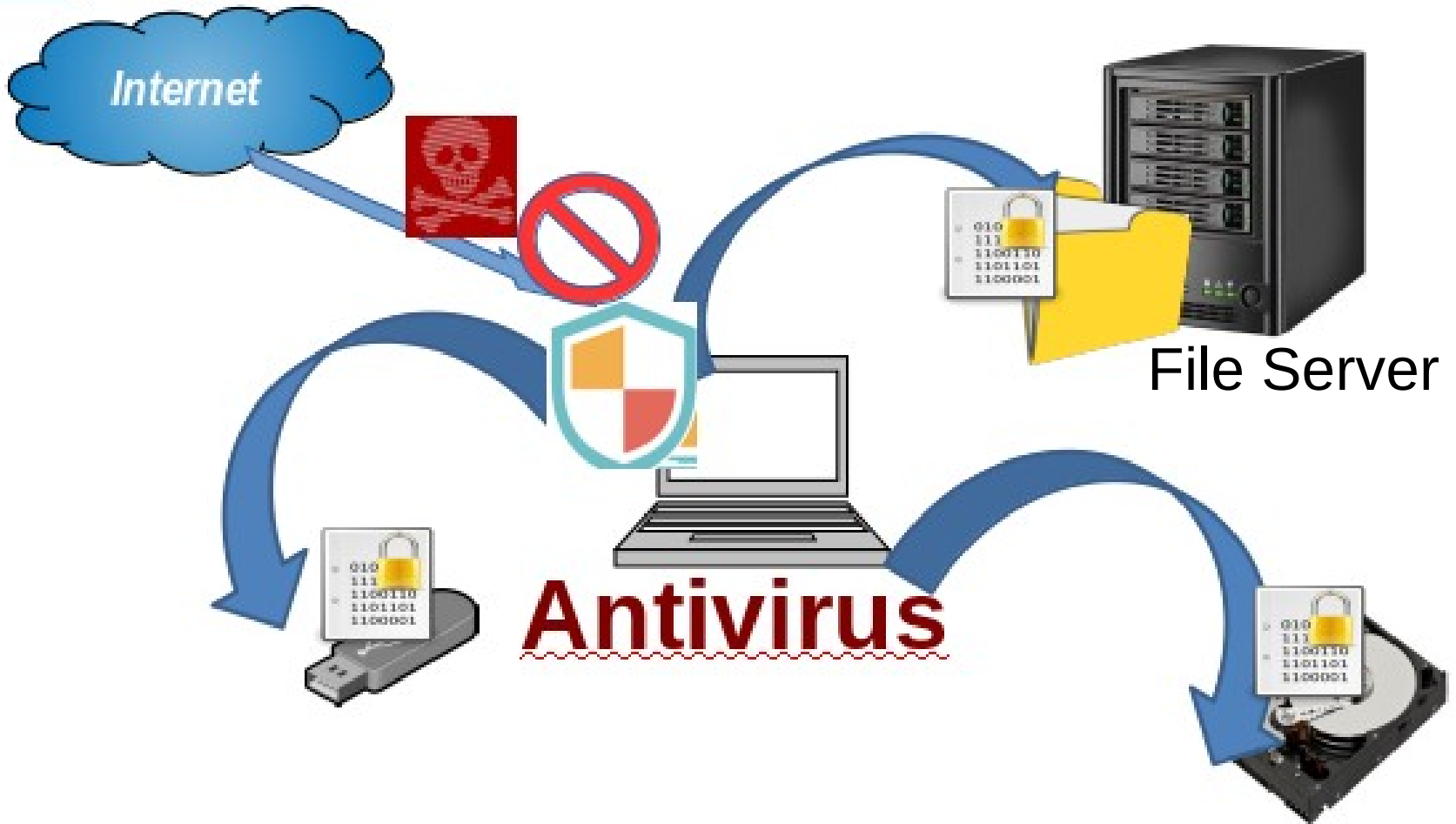
Workaround?

“Ransomware is a **type of malware**”

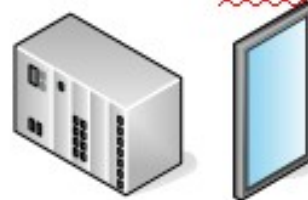
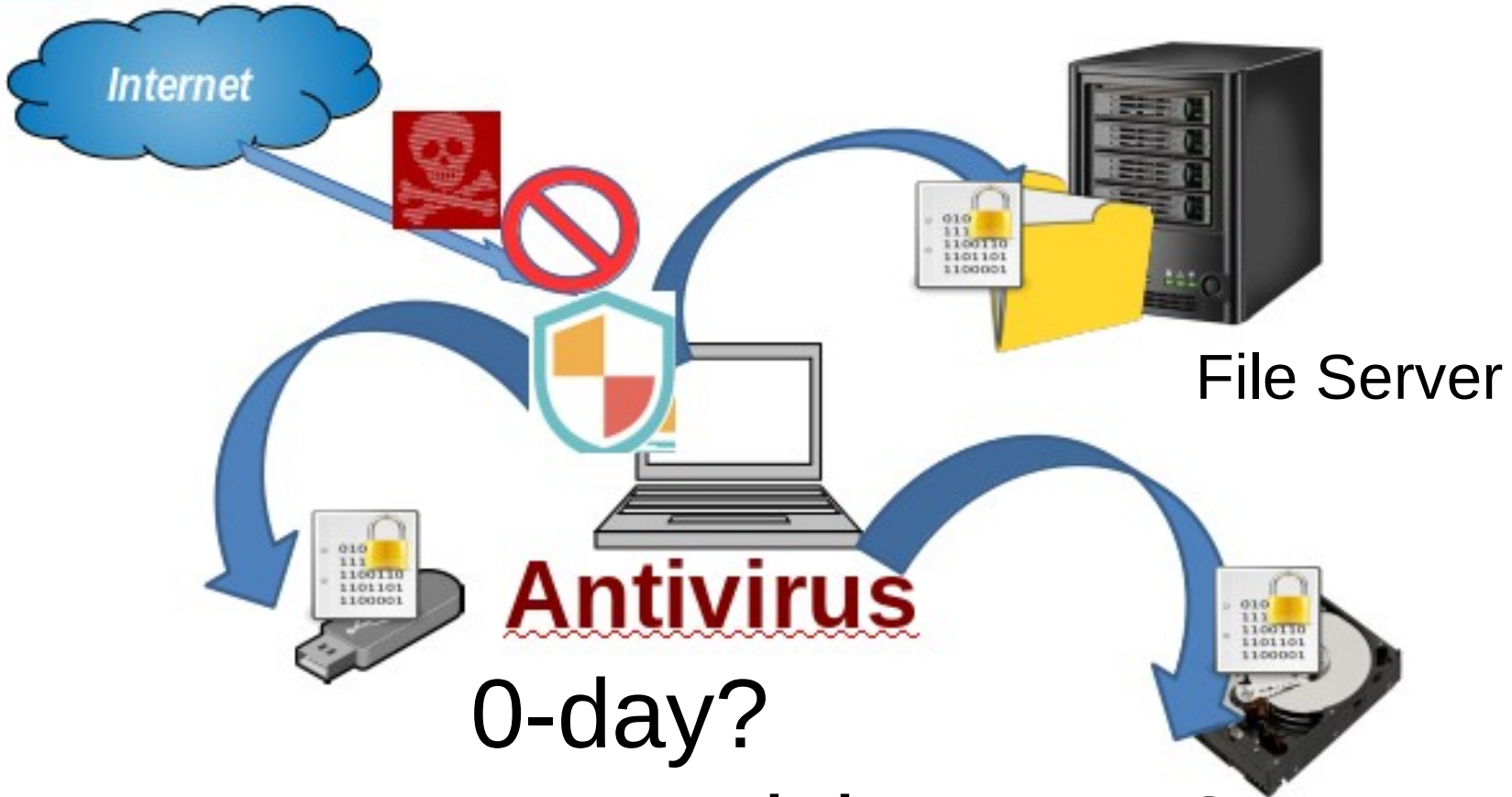
Let's think about

- Detect/Reject Ransomware. → Antivirus
- Prepare for Ransomware infection. → ???

Workaround 1. Antivirus

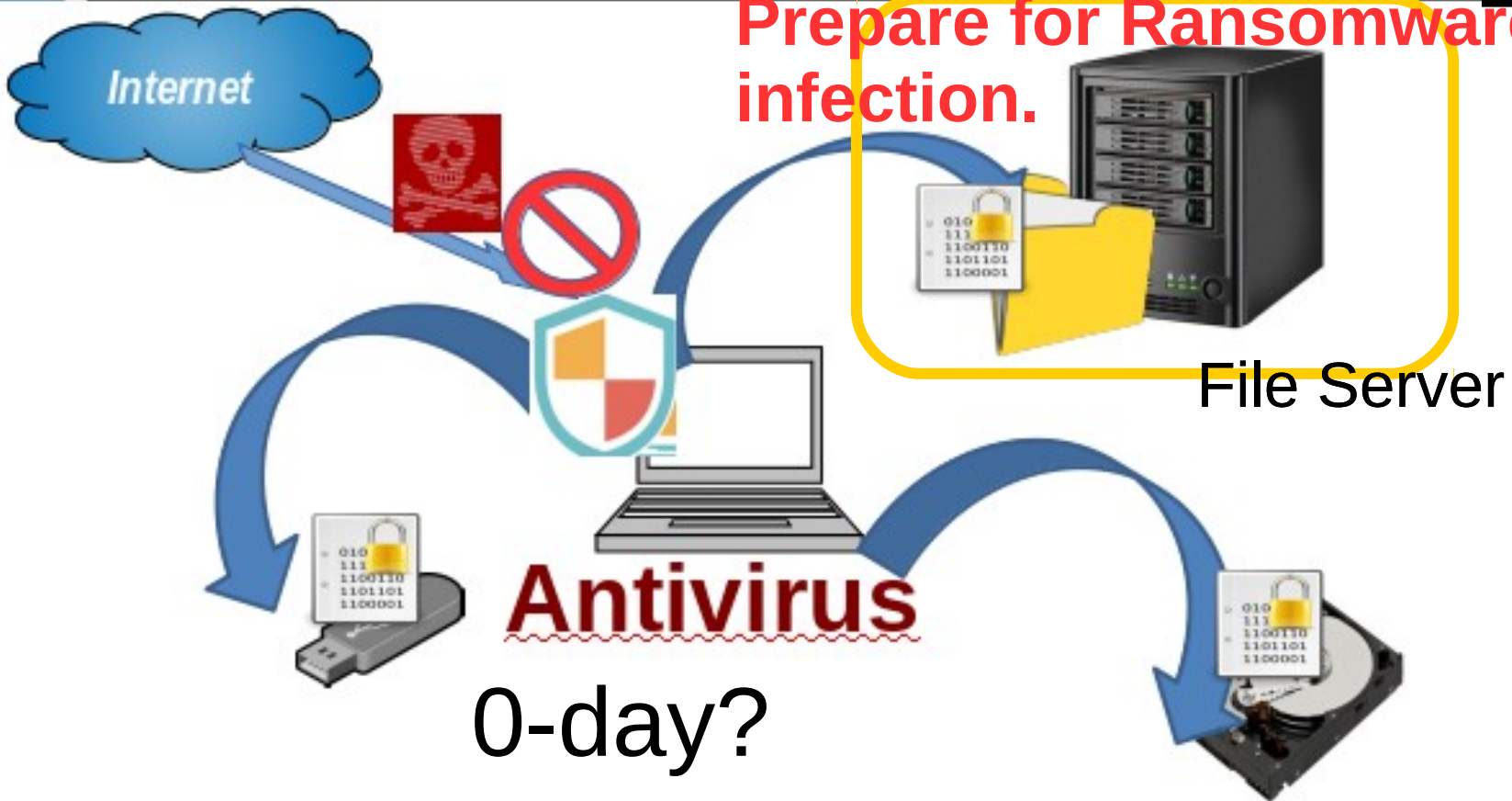


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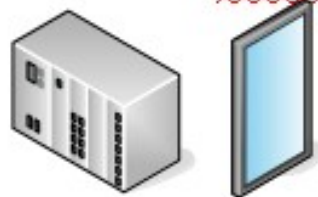
Workaround

Prepare for Ransomware infection.



0-day?

No Antivirus HW?



2. Prepare for Ransomware infection.

File Server Side:

“Prepare for Ransomware” (From Server point of view)

- Fight with Ransomware (AntiVirus, etc.)

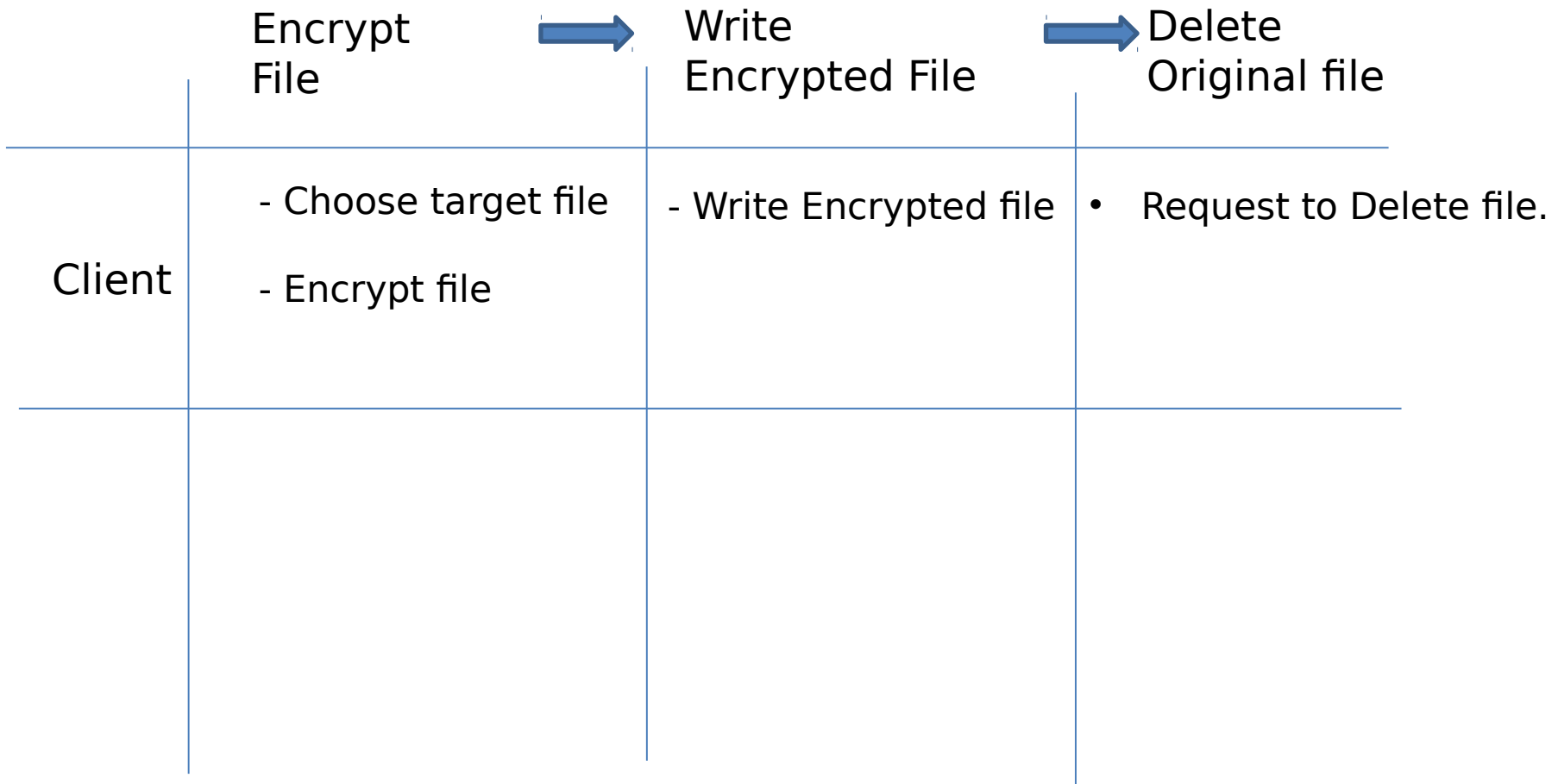
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- Fight with Ransomware (AntiVirus, etc.) → **Difficult**

Client Side:

How Ransomware work (from Client Side).



File Server:

How Ransomware work (from File Server).

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File Server	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sys_open/sys_read through smbd etc. • sys_close to target file(?) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write some file on shared volume through smbd. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delete file on shared Volume through smbd.

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Usual behavior as File Server.

File Server Side:

“Prepare for Ransomware” (From Server point of view)

- Fight with Ransomware (AntiVirus, etc.) → **Difficult**
- **Prepare a way to restore the file. → Take Backup.**

File Server:

So, How we can do?

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Let's think about here.

Linux+Samba

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.recycle/

How about Modify?

What about “**Modify**”, not “Delete”?

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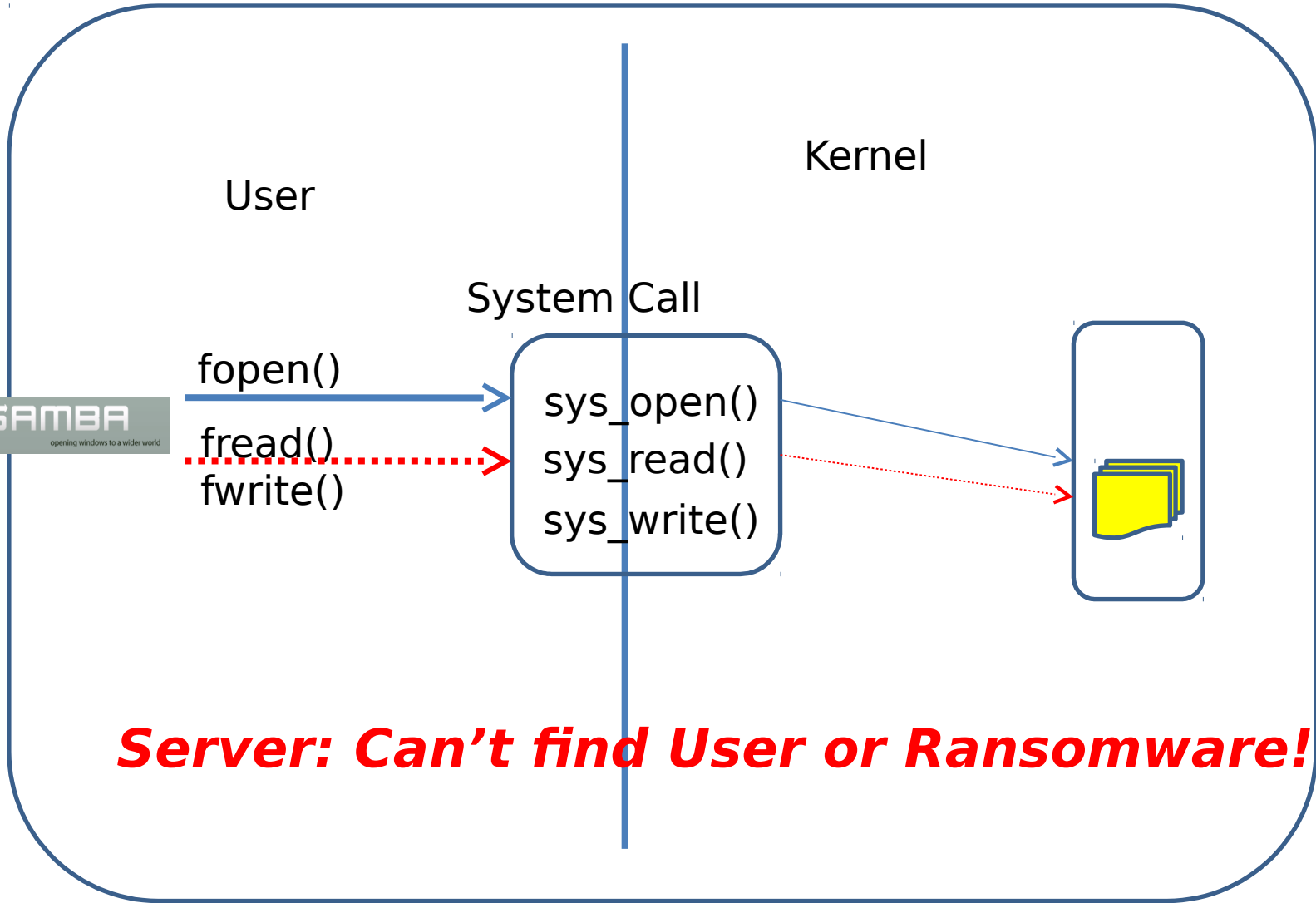
What about this situation?

3. Server side Solution.



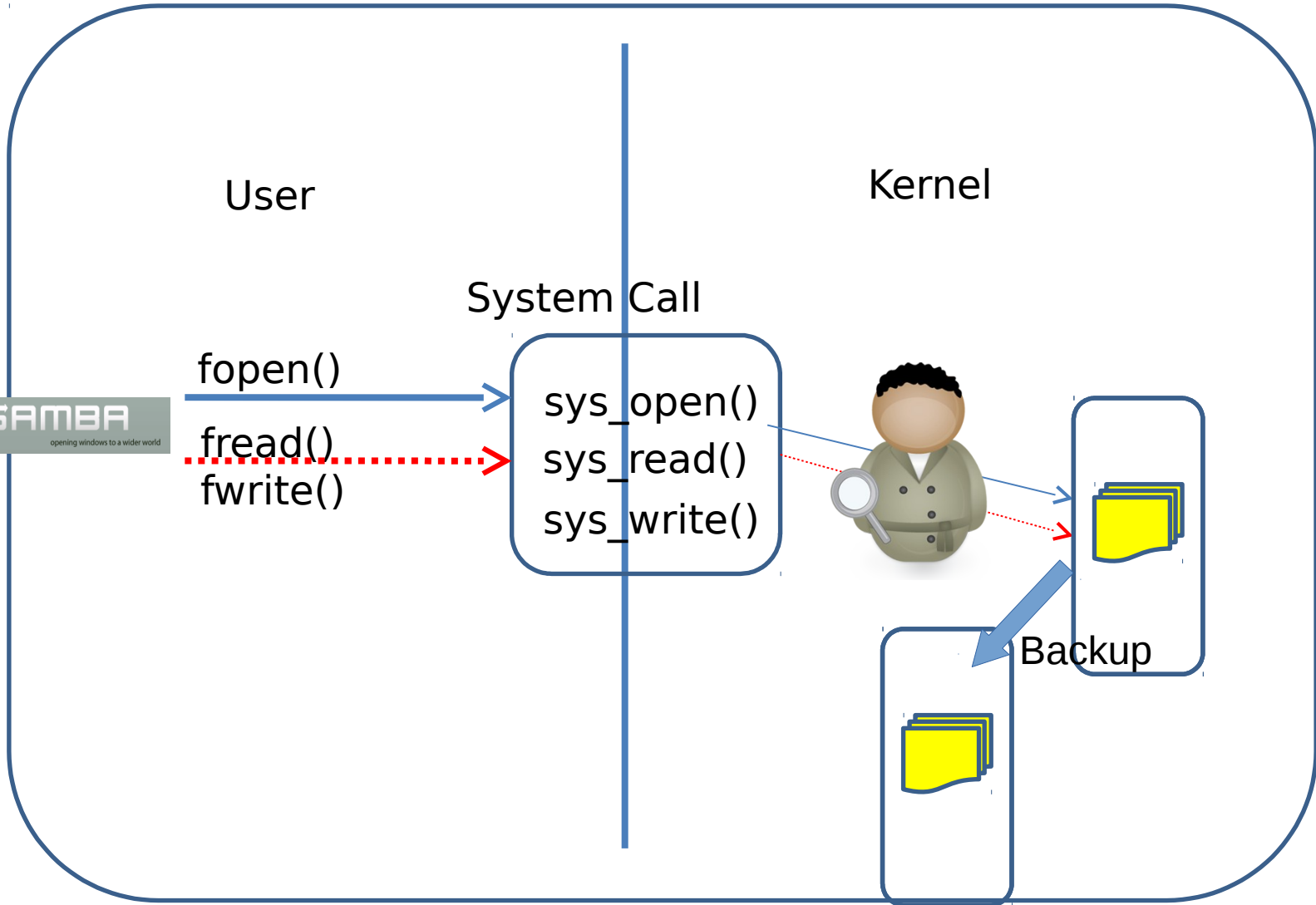
From File Server:

PC/User



From File Server: (Auto Backup)

PC/User





From File Server: (fanotify solution)

PC/User



Create backup **“before writing”**
by using Fanotify/inotify

User

Kernel

SystemCall

fopen()

fread()

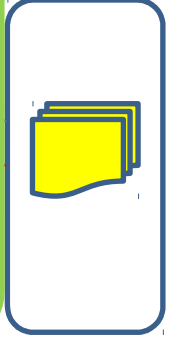
fwrite()

sys_open()

sys_read()

sys_write()

FAN_MODIFY
FAN_CLOSE_WRITE
FAN_CLOSE_NOWRITE



Fanotify is hooking **“after writing”**.

- > Can't take backup **“before writing”**.

From File Server: (LSM solution)

PC/User

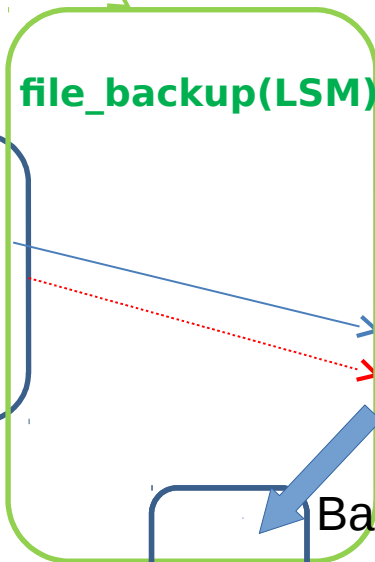


Create backup "before writing" by using LSM.

User

Kernel

System Call



`fopen()`
`fread()`
`fwrite()`

`sys_open()`
`sys_read()`
`sys_write()`

SAMBA
opening windows to a wider world



From File Server: (LSM solution)

PC/User



Performance.....

User

Kernel

System Call

file_backup(LSM)

fopen()

fread()

fwrite()

sys_open()

sys_read()

sys_write()



Backup



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From File Server: (LSM solution)

PC/User



Limit to backup "Labeled" file.

User

Kernel

System Call

`file_backup(LSM)`

`fopen()`

`fread()`

`fwrite()`

`sys_open()`

`sys_read()`

`sys_write()`

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Backup

File Label

```
user@local:~/testdir$ ls -lh
total 4.0K
-rw-r--r-- 1 user user 148 Jun  1 10:43 h123
user@local:~/testdir$ getfattr h123
# file: h123
user.backup_label
user@local:~/testdir$
```

4. Implementation

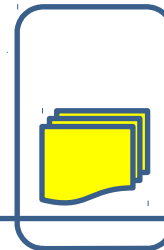


Usually...

Userland Program

`sys_open()`, `sys_read()`, `sys_write()`,

lsm_tmp (Temp name)



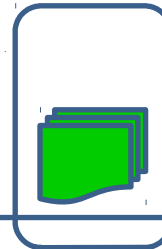
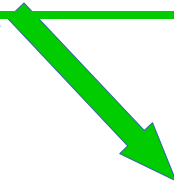
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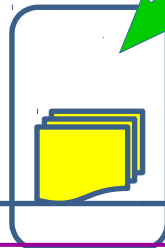
Labeled Case

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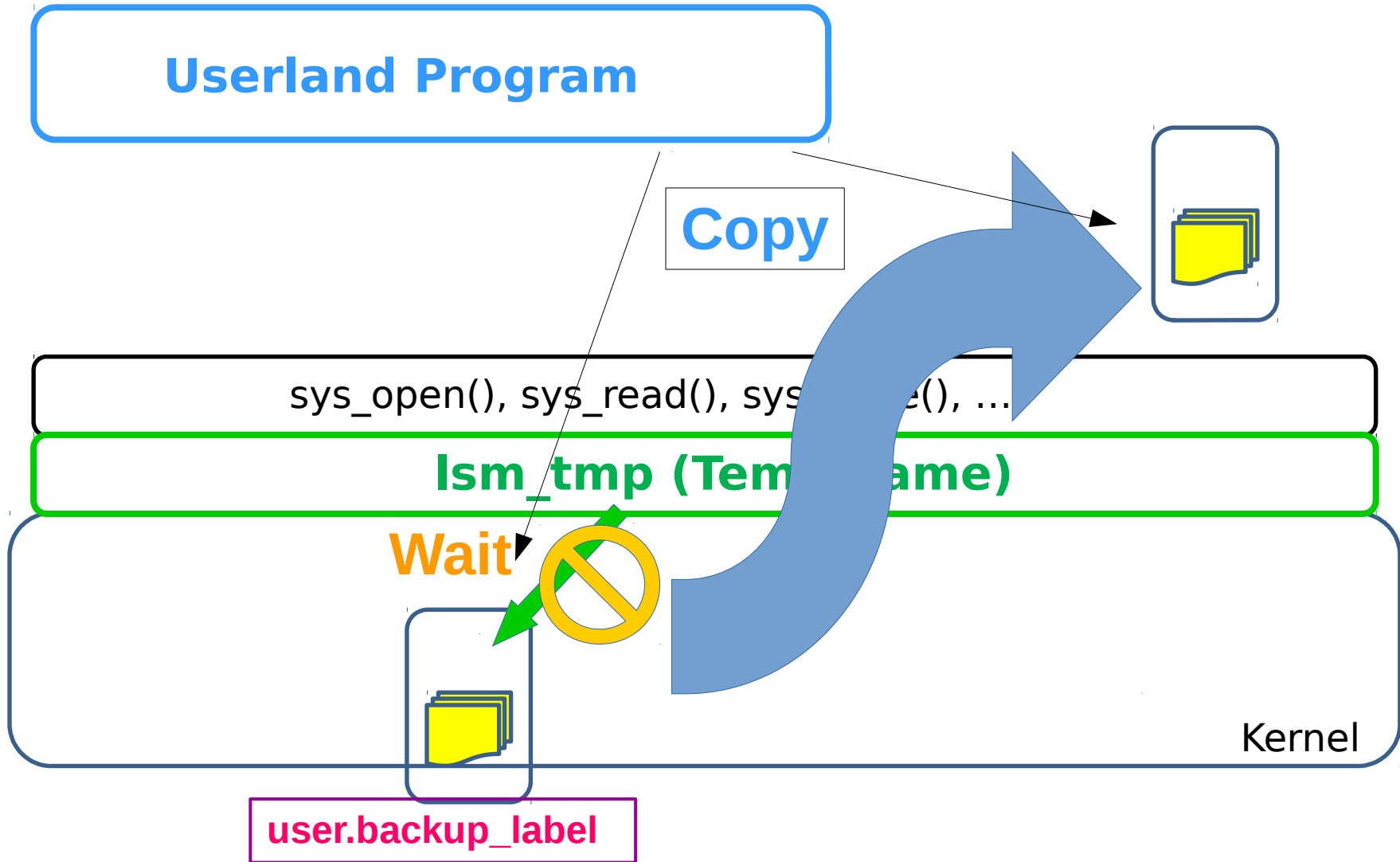
Wait



Kernel

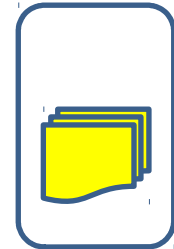
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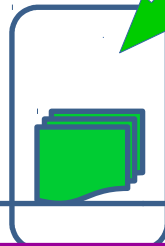
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Userland Program



sys_open(), sys_read(), sys_write(),

lsm_tmp (Temp name)



Kernel

user.backup_label

LSM Hooks...

More than 150 LSM_HOOK

```
LSM_HOOK_INIT(binder_transfer_file)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(ptrace_access_check)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(ptrace_traceme)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(capget)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(capset)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(capable)
```

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```
LSM_HOOK_INIT(inode_follow_link)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(inode_permission)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(inode_setattr)
```

```
LSM_HOOK_INIT(msg_msg_alloc_security)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(msg_msg_free_security)
LSM_HOOK_INIT(msg_queue_alloc_security)
```



Here

So far..

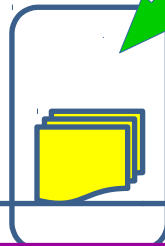
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Done(demo)

sys_open(), sys_read(), sys_write(),

lsm_tmp (Temp name)

Wait



Kernel

user.backup_label

5. Demo



6. Conclusion



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Not only for taking backup....

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Module Usecase

ex.)

- Encrypt file
- AntiVirus
- Clustering
- Disaster Recovery

.... and so on.

ASAP, Publish Module as OSS.

Question?

Thanks!!