

**SECURELY ENHANCING NETWORK TRAFFIC ANALYSIS FOR PRIVACY,
EFFICIENCY, AND VERIFICATION**

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ABSTRACT

With the increasing traffic volume, enterprises choose to outsource their middlebox services, such as deep packet inspection, to the cloud to acquire rich computational and communication resources. However, since the traffic is redirected to the public cloud, information leakages, such as packet payload and inspection rules, arouse privacy concerns of both middlebox owner and packet senders. To address the concerns, we propose an efficient verifiable deep packet inspection (EV-DPI) scheme with strong privacy guarantees. Specifically, a two-layer architecture is designed and deployed over two non-collusion cloud servers. The first layer fast filters out most of legitimate packets and the second layer supports exact rule matching. During the inspection, the privacy of packet payload and the confidentiality of inspection rules are well preserved. To improve the efficiency, only fast symmetric crypto-systems, such as hash functions, are used. Moreover, the proposed scheme allows the network administrator to verify the execution results, which offers a strong control of outsourced services. To validate the performance of the proposed EV-DPI scheme, we conduct extensive experiments on the Amazon Cloud. Large-scale dataset (millions of packets) is tested to obtain the key performance metrics. The experimental results demonstrate that EV-DPI not only preserves the packet privacy, but also achieves high packet inspection efficiency. Analysis.

1.INTRODUCTION

Middlebox is a network equipment that supports a wide spectrum of network functions for enterprise networks. For instance, a middlebox can provide firewall, load balancer and deep packet inspection (DPI) services. Nowadays, some of the modern middlebox services are delay sensitive. Moreover, it is also challenging to offer high efficiency facing with the explosion of traffic volume. For instance, DPI is a typical delay sensitive network function. One of its key performance metrics is the packet throughput within a certain period of time. Thus, to achieve high efficiency [1], the most appealing solution is outsourcing the DPI service to the cloud platform. Various benefits can be acquired with the assistance of the cloud servers. First, powerful computation and communication capabilities are provided, which makes it feasible to support efficient DPI over large-scale traffic volume. Second, for the owner of middlebox, diverse DPI functions can be customized to meet the new requirements without purchasing additional hardware. Third, the heavy burden of the daily management of DPI system is released. In addition, the advanced DPI functions, such as machine learning based malware detection, can be efficiently supported by cloud computing. Consequently, significant attentions have been paid to the outsourcing of DPI [2] for cloud-assisted middlebox. Unfortunately, the DPI outsourcing also introduces several security and privacy concerns. In

specific, the network traffic has to be redirected to the cloud for inspection. As a result, an important privacy concern is the exposure of packet payload. For example, the personal information of enterprise employees is inevitably disclosed to the cloud server if without any protection. The cloud service provider may even attempt to analyze the private contents for economic interest[4]. Moreover, the passing packets may contain sensitive information that relates to commercial secrets of an enterprise. If these kinds of information are leaked to the cloud or any competitor, serious losses may be caused. Another crucial issue is the confidentiality of the DPI rules. Usually, the details of the DPI rules directly reflect the security and privacy policies. If an internal or external attacker has accessed the DPI rules, it will be easier to evade the inspection. With such strong background information, the attacker can even find some loopholes of the system. Thus, both the packet payload and the DPI rules should be protected from the public cloud. A simple way to achieve this goal is using standard crypto-systems. (e.g., AES, RSA) [3] to encrypt the packet payload .

2.LITERATURE SURVEY

Enabling functionality in a modern network is achieved through the use of middleboxes. Middleboxes suffer from temporal unavailability due to various reasons, such as hardware faults. We design a backup scheme that takes advantage of network function virtualization, an emerging paradigm of implementing network functions in software, deployed on commodity servers. We utilise the agility [2] of software-based systems, and the gap between the resource utilisation of active and standby components, in order to design an optimal limited-resource backup scheme. We focus on the case where a small number of middleboxes fails simultaneously, and study the backup [5] resources required for guaranteeing full recovery from any set of failures, of up to some limited size. Via a novel graph-based presentation, we develop a provably optimal construction of such backup schemes. Since full recovery is guaranteed, our construction does not rely on failure statistics, which are typically hard to obtain. Simulation results show that our proposed approach is applicable even for the case of larger numbers of failures.

Many network middleboxes perform deep packet inspection (DPI), a set of useful tasks which examine packet payloads. These tasks include intrusion detection (IDS), exfiltration detection, and parental filtering. However, a long-standing issue is that once packets are sent over HTTPS, middleboxes can no longer accomplish their tasks because the payloads are encrypted. Hence, one is faced with the choice of only one of two desirable properties: the functionality of middleboxes and the privacy of encryption. We propose BlindBox, the first system that simultaneously provides both of these properties. The approach of BlindBox is to perform the deep-packet inspection directly on the encrypted traffic. BlindBox realizes this approach through a new protocol and new encryption schemes. We demonstrate that BlindBox enables applications such as IDS [6], exfiltration detection and parental filtering, and supports real rulesets from both open-source and industrial DPI systems. We implemented BlindBox and showed that it is practical for settings with long-lived HTTPS connections. Moreover, its core encryption scheme is 3-6 orders of magnitude faster than existing relevant cryptographic schemes.

Mobile edge computing is emerging as a new computing paradigm that provides enhanced experience to mobile users via low latency connections and augmented computation capacity. As the amount of user requests is time-varying, while the computation capacity of edge hosts is limited, the Cloud Assisted Mobile Edge (CAME) computing framework is introduced to improve the scalability of the edge platform. By outsourcing mobile requests to clouds with various types of instances, the CAME framework can accommodate dynamic mobile requests with diverse quality of service requirements. In order to provide guaranteed services at minimal system cost.

In this paper, we propose a framework for privacy-preserving outsourced drug discovery in the cloud, which we refer to as POD. Specifically, POD is designed to allow the cloud to securely use multiple drug formula providers' drug formulas to train Support Vector Machine (SVM) provided by the analytical model provider. In our approach, we design secure computation protocols to allow the cloud server to perform commonly used integer and fraction computations. To securely train the SVM, [7] we design a secure SVM parameter selection protocol to select two SVM parameters and construct a secure sequential minimal optimization protocol to privately refresh both selected SVM parameters. The trained SVM classifier can be used to determine whether a drug chemical compound is active or not in a privacy-preserving way. Lastly, we prove that the proposed POD achieves the goal of SVM training and chemical compound classification without privacy leakage to unauthorized users.

3. EXISTING SYSTEM

First, in reality, most contents of the packet payloads are not matched (more than 99%) by any DPI rules. Therefore, these packets should be fast filtered out. The content filtering and exact rule matching should be conducted separately. By doing so, the whole DPI [5] process efficiency can be boosted significantly. Second, result verification may introduce extra packet delay, if the results are verified before packet forwarding. As a practical method, the verification can be executed independently.

Disadvantages:

1. Most of the packages are not matched.
2. This process is very inefficient and tedious.

4. PROPOSED SYSTEM:

Some approaches have been proposed to offer DPI service on the public cloud with privacy protection. The first milestone-like work Blind Box formally defined the security and privacy requirements of middle boxes. It also provided an efficient solution using symmetric encryption. Blind Box utilized garbled circuit to obfuscate the DPI rules, which could be time-consuming for large-scale connections. adopted broadcast encryption. It can support the sharing of encrypted rules between different connections. Later, their subsequent work proposed an efficient method that is able to verify the inspection results. Recently, designed a dynamic DPI scheme to support rule update. Several public key encryption based schemes are also proposed to explore diverse functions such as malware detection and decrypt-able matching. Due to the using of public key crypto-system [6], computation overheads are inevitably increased. As a result, the time cost on packet sender side becomes higher. Meanwhile, the total packet throughput is significantly decreased.

ADVANTAGES:

1. Efficient matching
2. Can handle large data

5. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

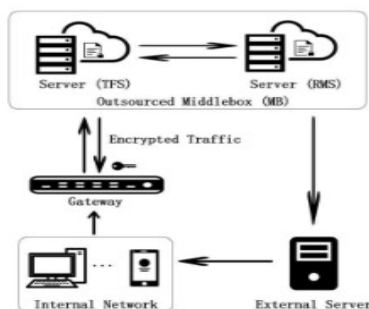


Fig-3.1 System Architecture

6. IMPLEMENTATION

Gateway

In this application gateway is a module, here it should login directly with our application and after successful login he can perform some operations such as gathered packets and encrypted dpi and view rules and generated tokens and logout

Middle Box

In this application middle box is a module, here it should login directly with our application and after successful login he can perform some operations such as token filtering and rules matching and logout.

Owner

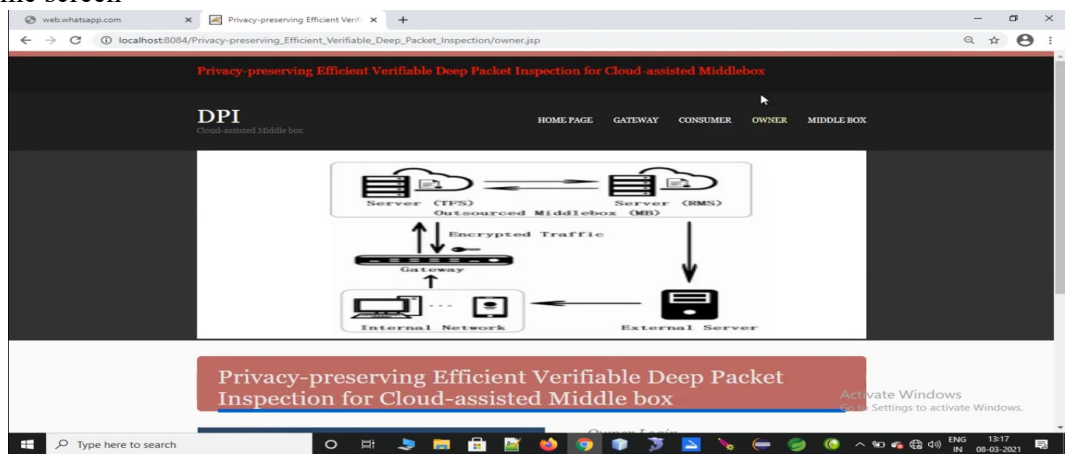
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User

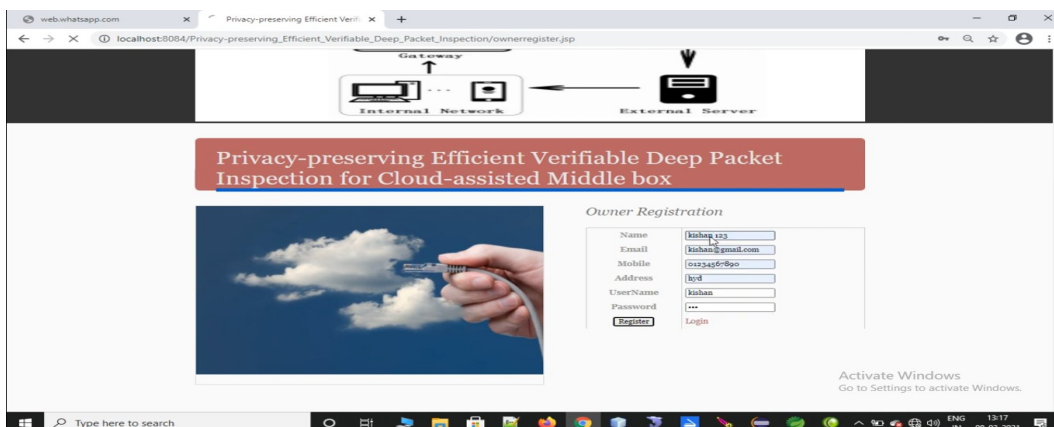
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7. EXPECTED OUTCOMES

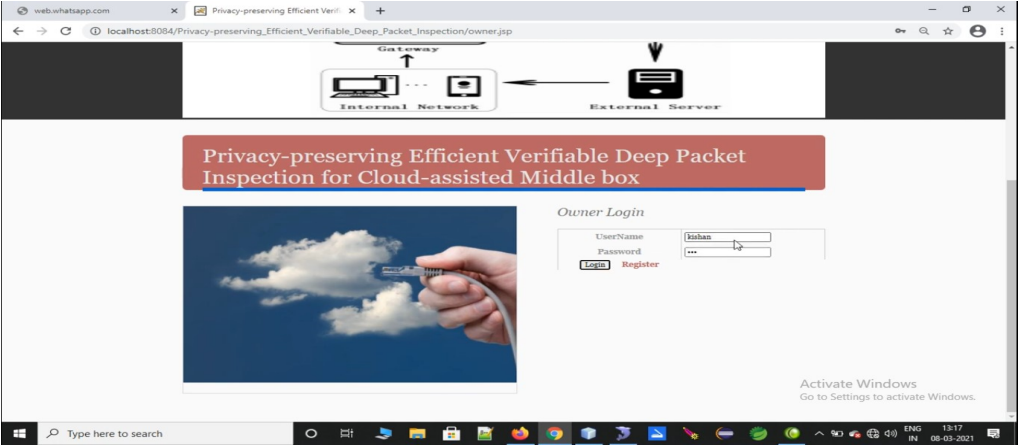
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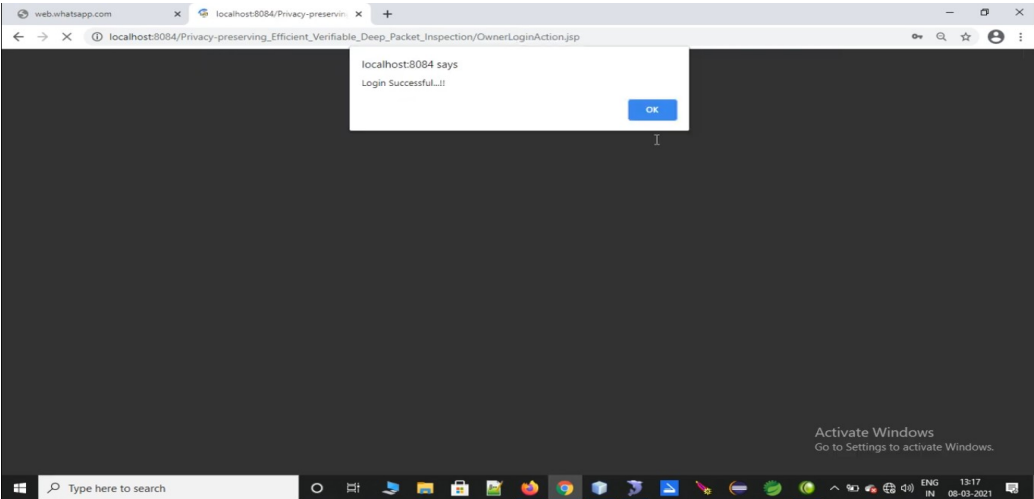
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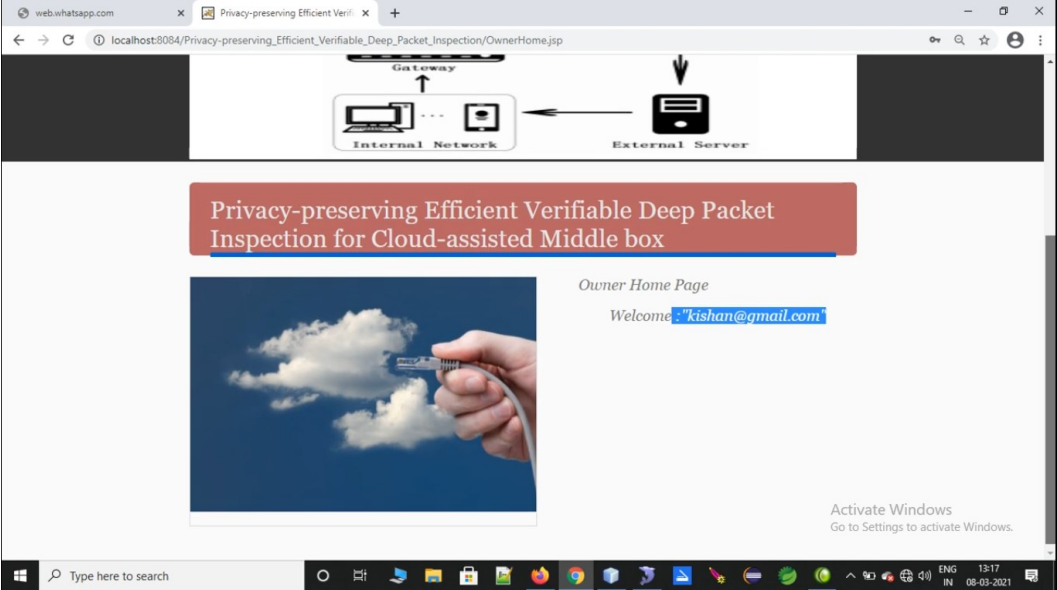
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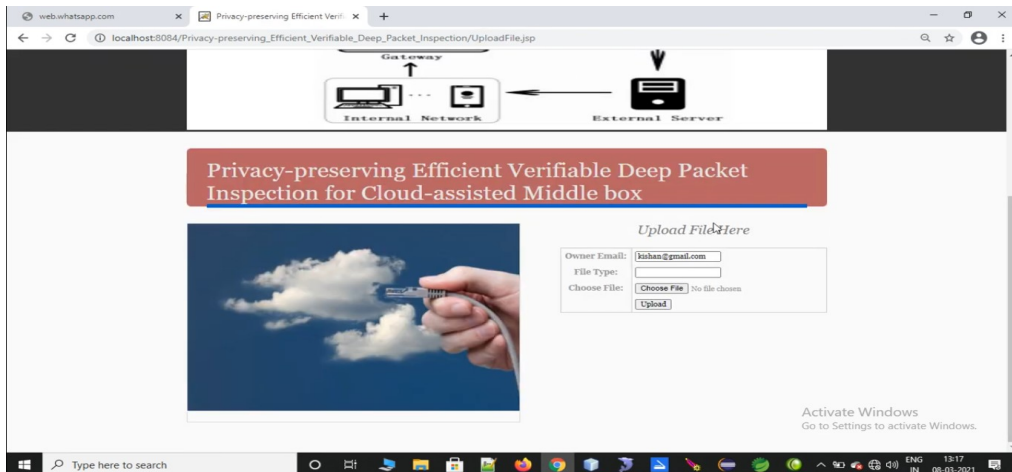
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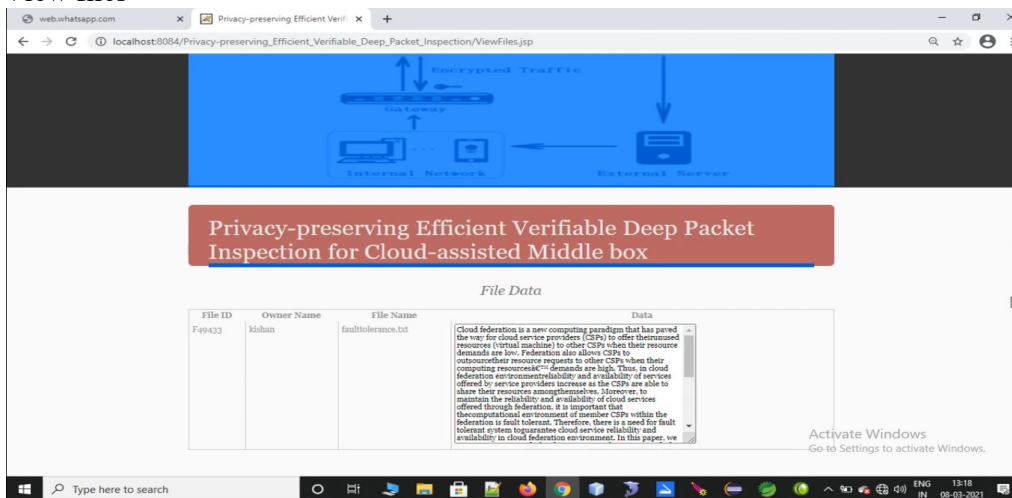
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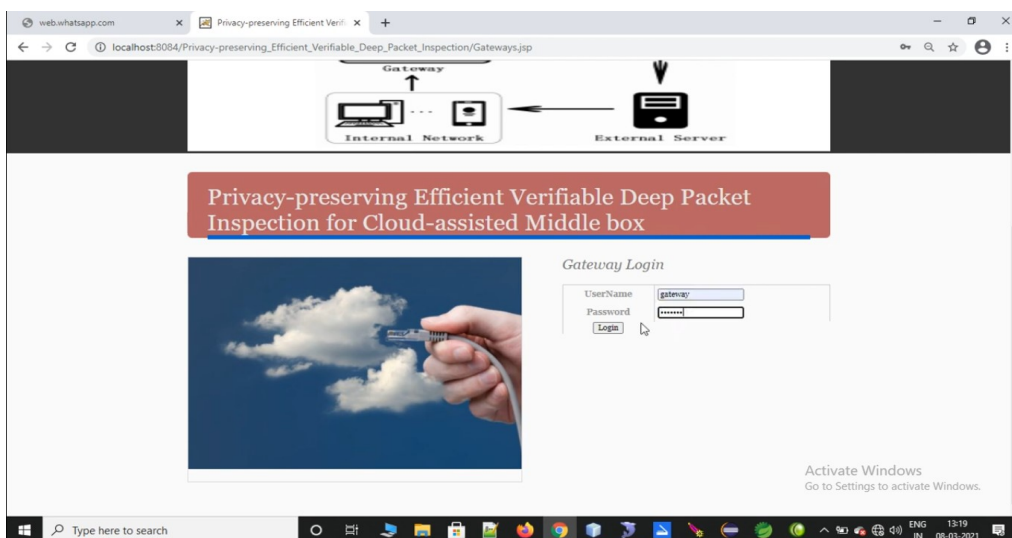
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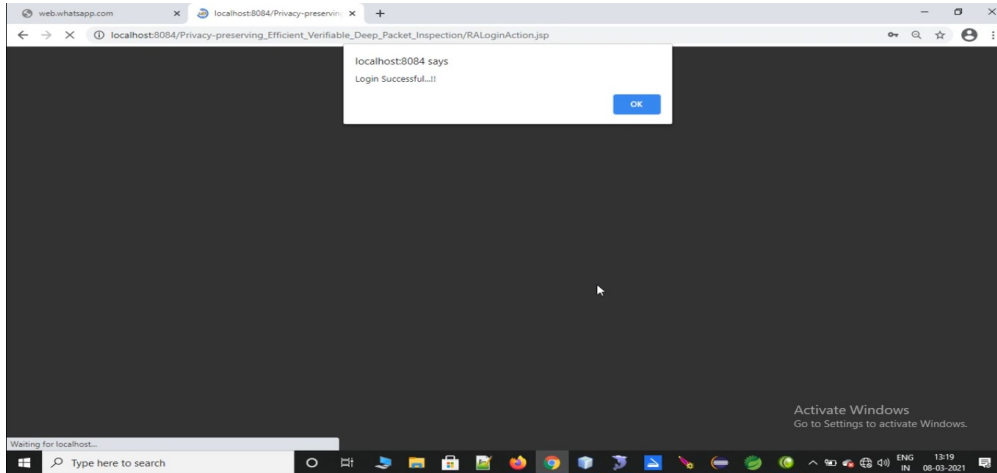
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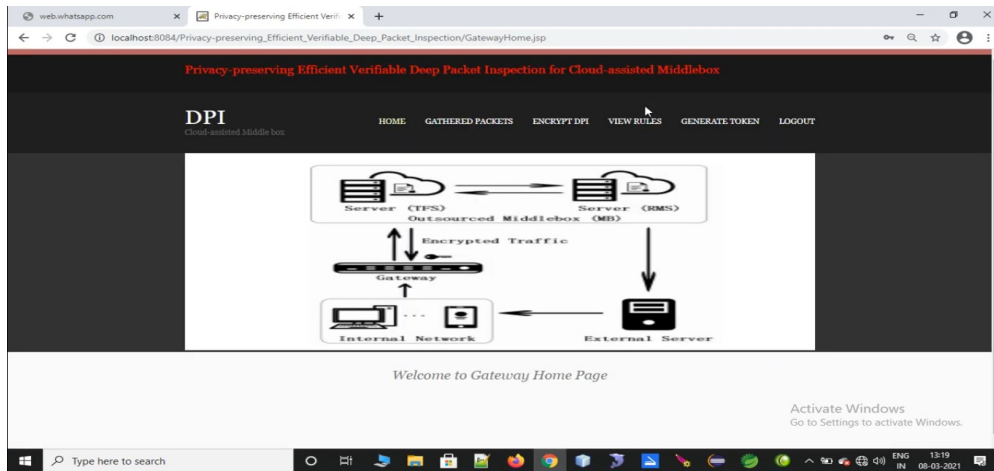
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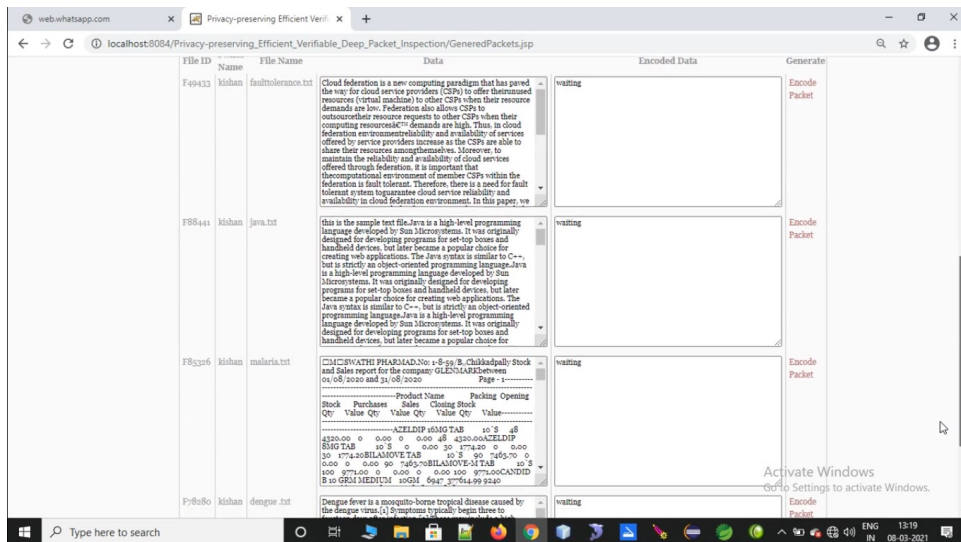
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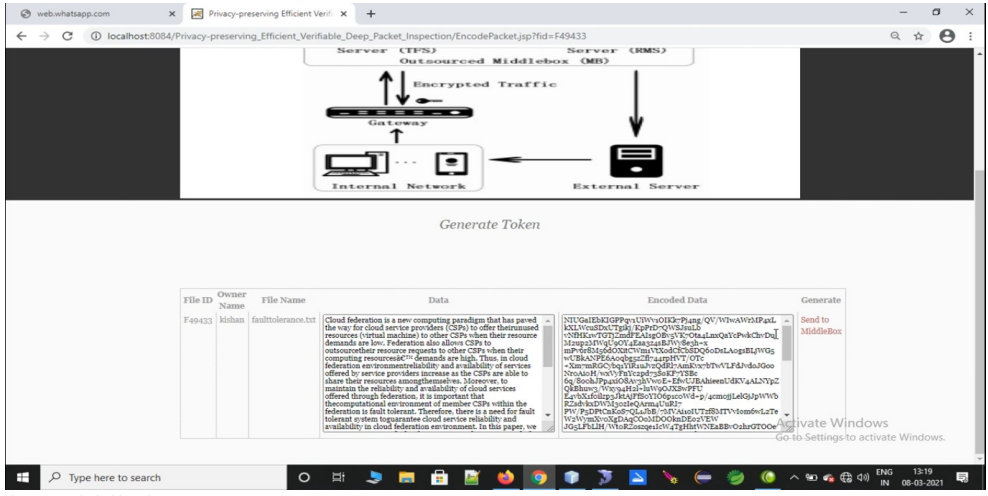
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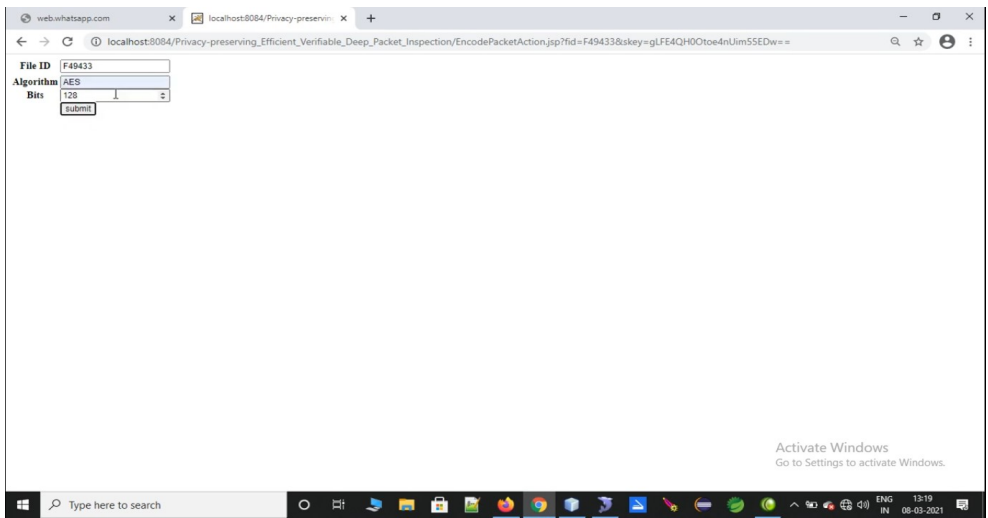
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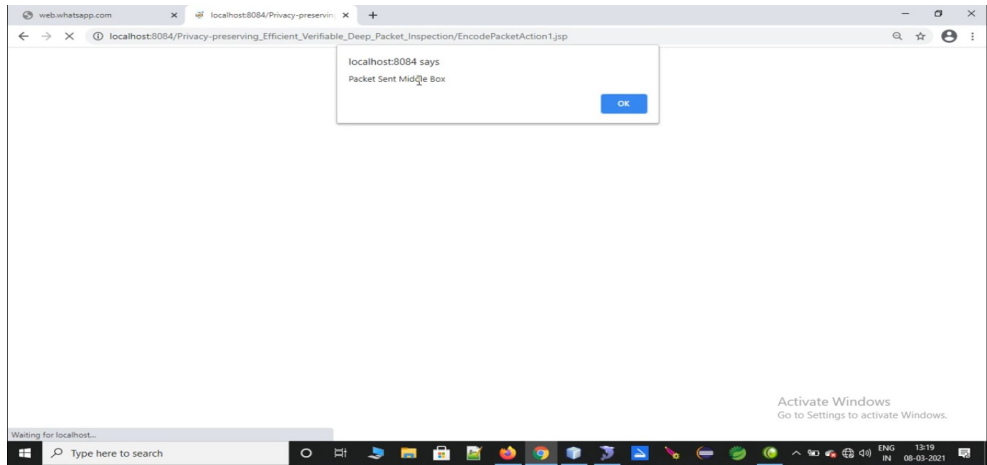
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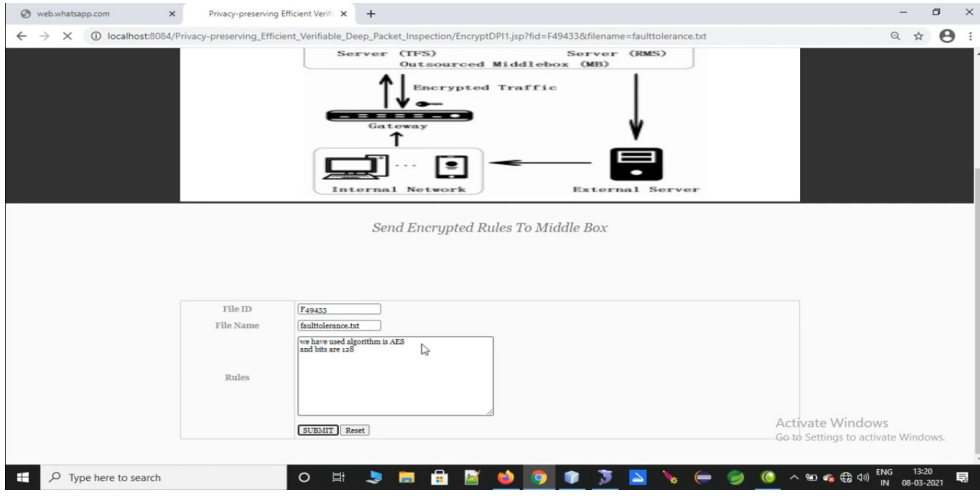
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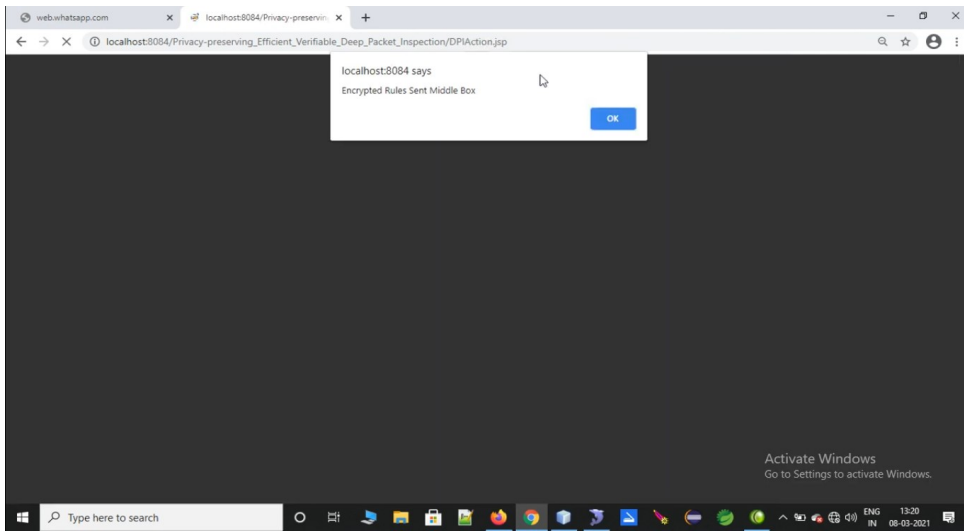
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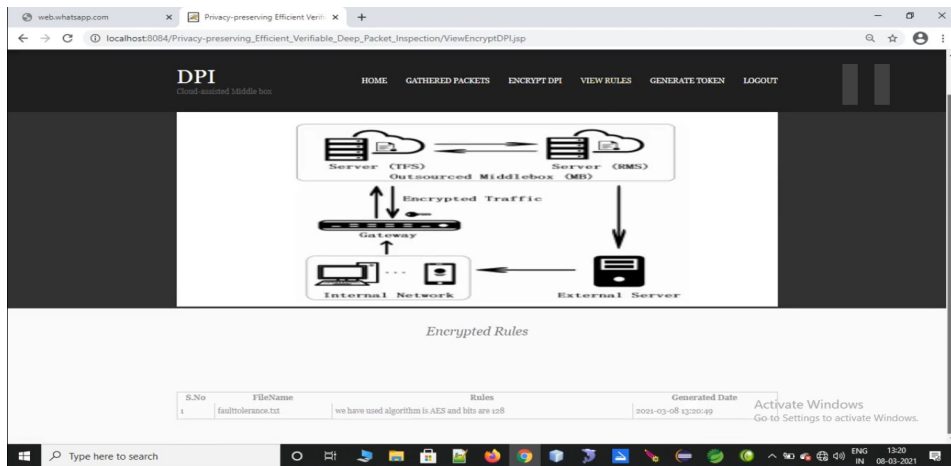
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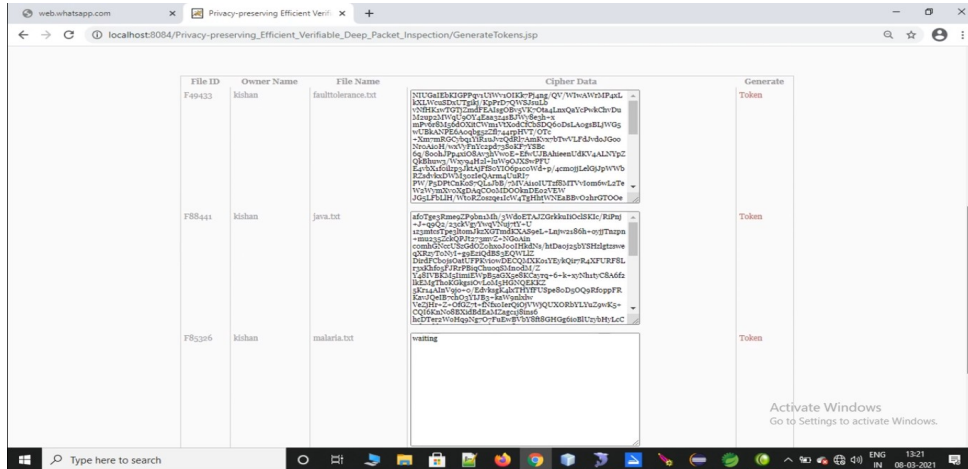
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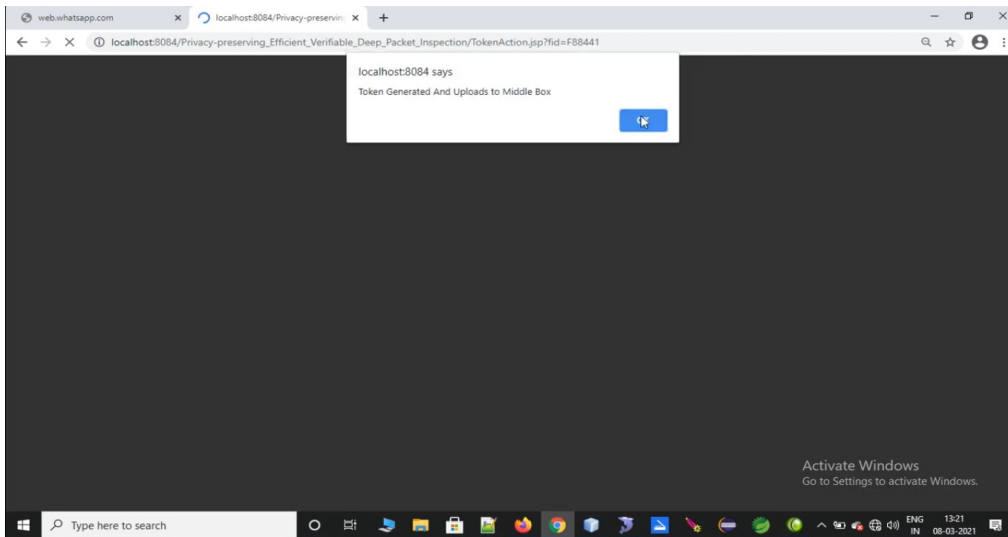
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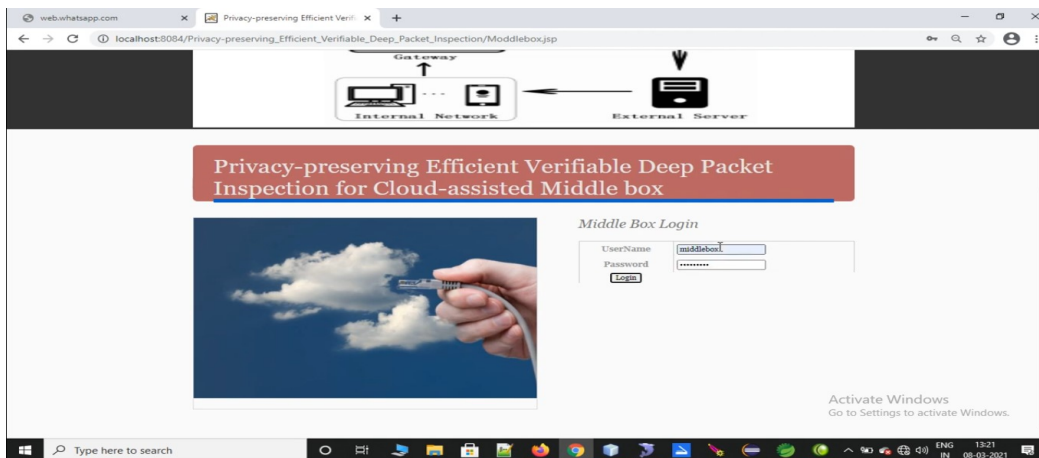
Generate token



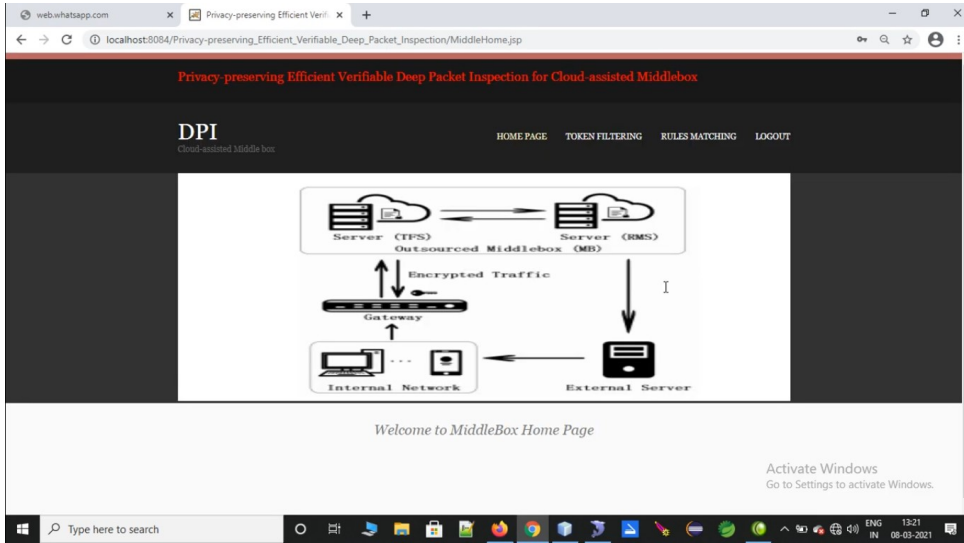
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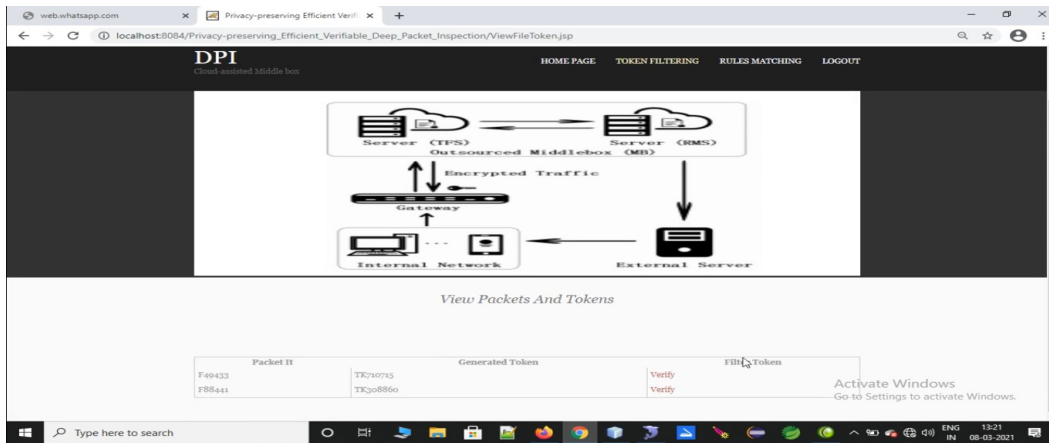
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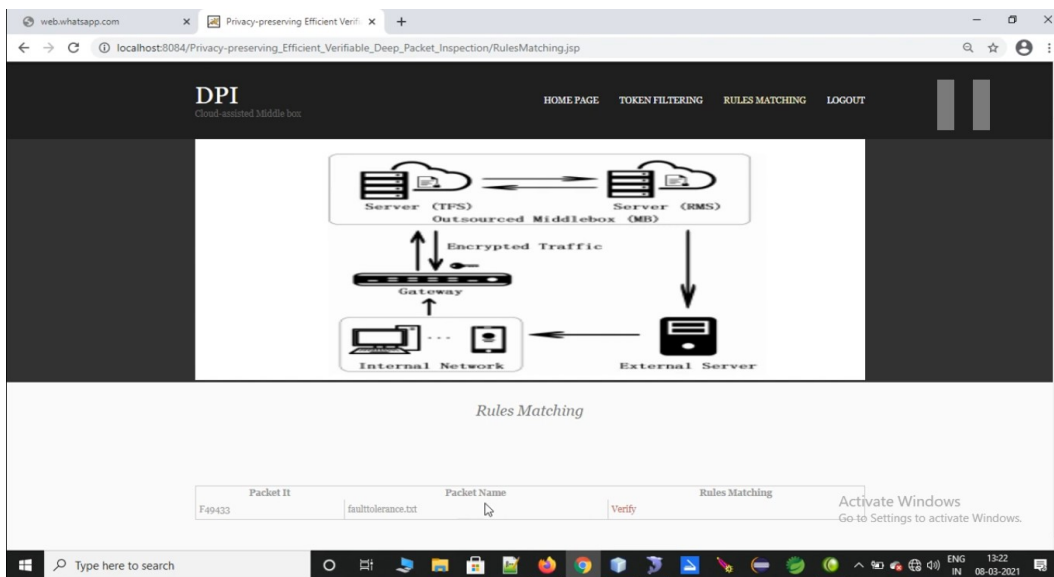
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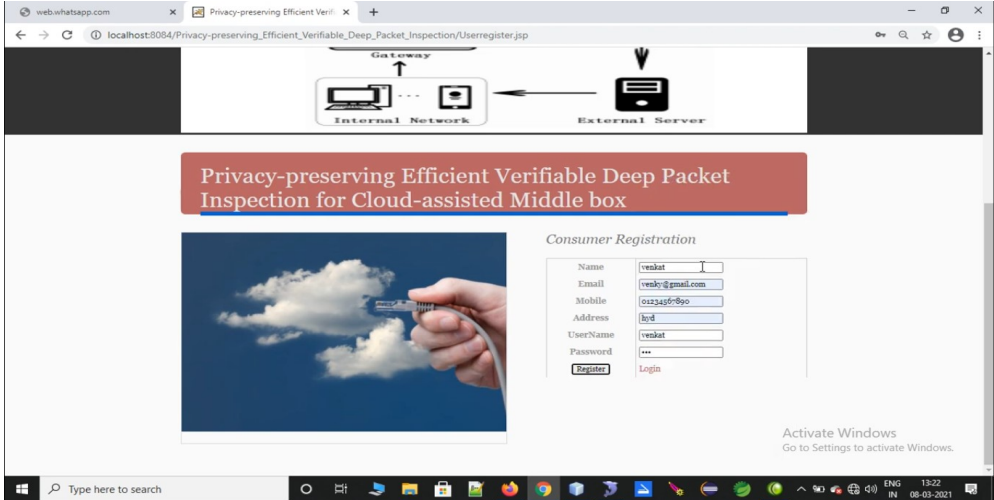
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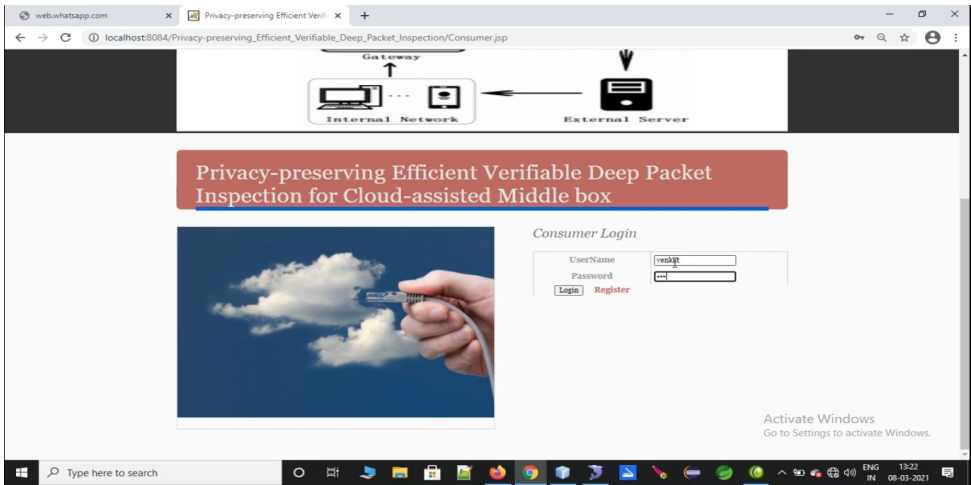
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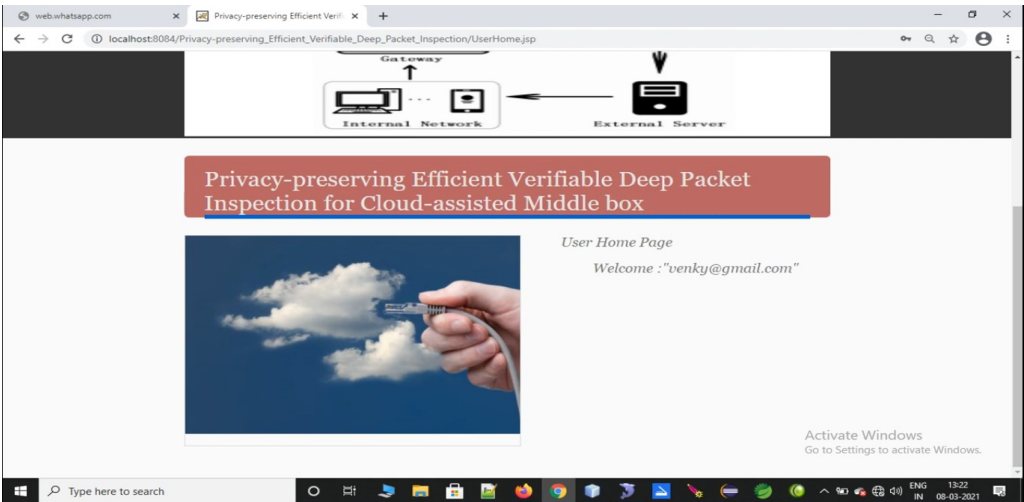
consumer register



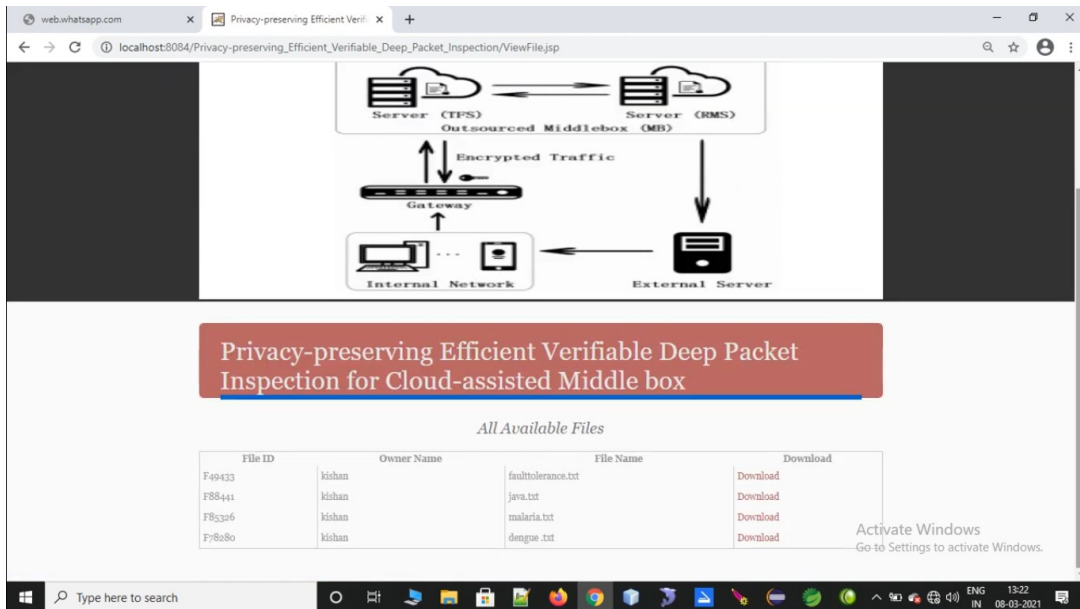
Consumer login



Consumer home page



view files and download



8. FUTURE SCOPE

The future scope for the proposed Efficient Verifiable Deep Packet Inspection (EV-DPI) scheme with strong privacy guarantees holds promise for several advancements and applications:

- Integration with Emerging Technologies**: As technology evolves, EV-DPI can integrate with emerging technologies such as edge computing and 5G networks. Edge computing can reduce latency by processing data closer to the source, while 5G networks can provide higher bandwidth and lower latency, enabling more efficient packet inspection and faster response times.
- Enhanced Security Measures**: With the constant evolution of cybersecurity threats, the EV-DPI scheme can be further enhanced to detect and mitigate advanced threats such as zero-day attacks, polymorphic malware, and insider threats. This can involve the incorporation of machine learning and artificial intelligence techniques to improve threat detection capabilities.
- Scalability and Flexibility**: As the volume of network traffic continues to grow exponentially, there will be a need for EV-DPI solutions that are highly scalable and flexible. Future research can focus on developing techniques to efficiently handle large-scale network traffic and adapt to dynamic network environments.
- Interoperability and Standardization**: To facilitate widespread adoption, future efforts can focus on ensuring interoperability and standardization of EV-DPI solutions across different cloud platforms and network infrastructures. This can involve collaboration with industry stakeholders and standardization bodies to develop common protocols and interfaces.
- Regulatory Compliance and Privacy Protection**: With increasing concerns around data privacy and regulatory compliance, future research can focus on enhancing the privacy-preserving capabilities of EV-DPI solutions to comply with regulations such as

GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) and CCPA (California Consumer Privacy Act). This can involve the development of techniques for anonymizing sensitive data and providing users with greater control over their personal information.

9. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have proposed an efficient verifiable deep packet inspection (EV-DPI) scheme with privacy preservation. EV-DPI can well support the verification over final and intermediate inspection results. Both inspection and verification protocols are able to preserve the privacy of packet payload and confidentiality of DPI rules. We have demonstrated the high performance of EV-DPI through extensive experiments and compared the results with the existing scheme. In the future, we will explore the blockchain techniques and learning-based approach to secure diverse outsourced middlebox services.

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