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How to track down side channels you didn't even know exist

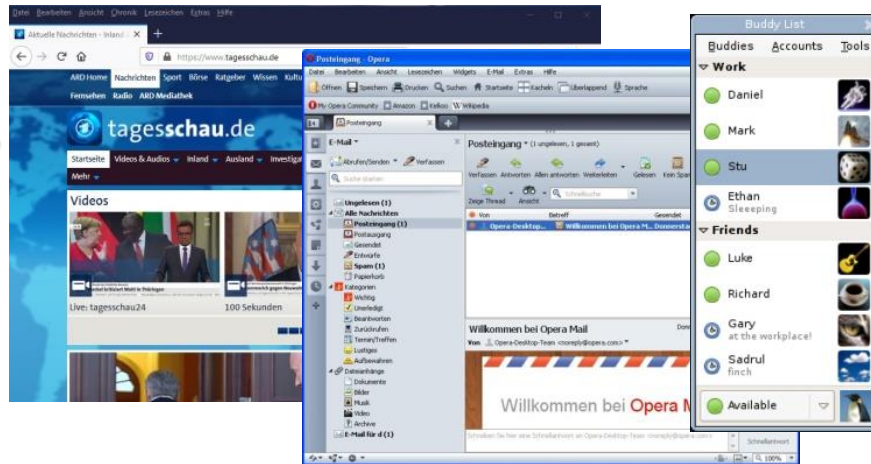
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JOINT PROJECT „AUTOMATISCHE SCHWACHSTELLENANALYSE VON KRYPTOGRAPHISCHEN PROTOKOLLEN“ (AUTOSCA)

(AUTOMATIC DETECTION OF SIDE CHANNELS IN CRYPTOGRAPHIC PROTOCOLS)

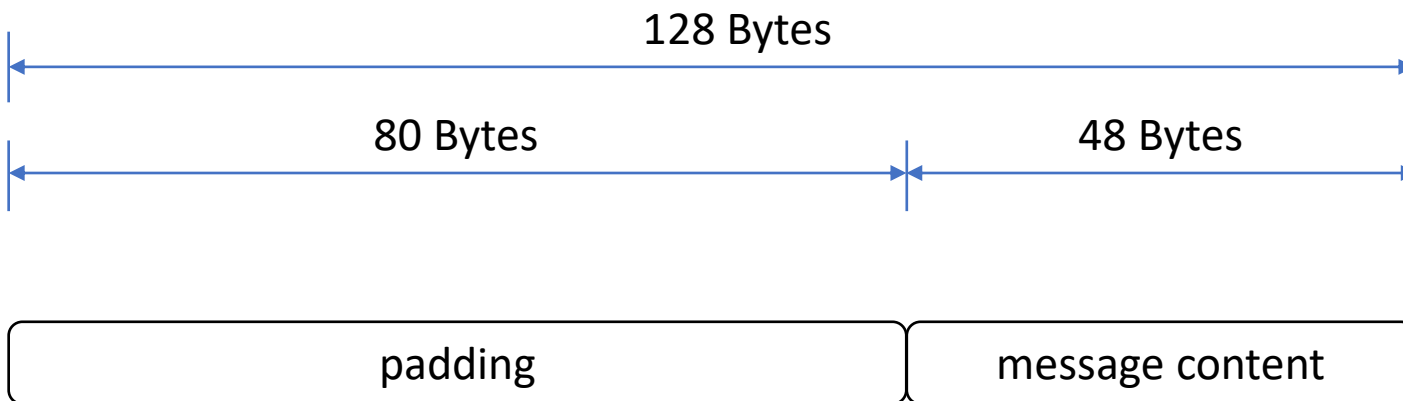
Secure Communication in Everyday Life

TLS – Transport Layer Security



- Constantly new vulnerabilities and side channels
- Every change to the implementation may open new side channels

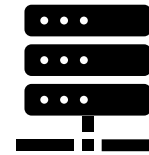
Padding



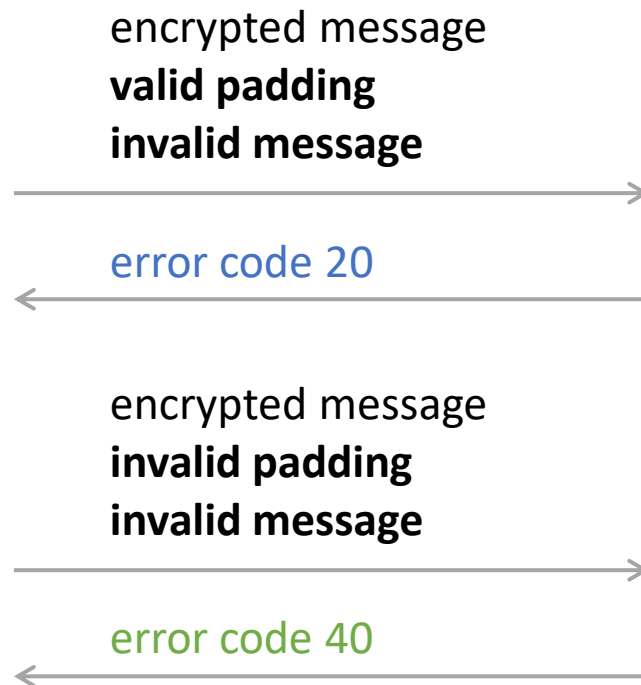
Bleichenbacher Attack



manipulated
TLS Client



TLS Server

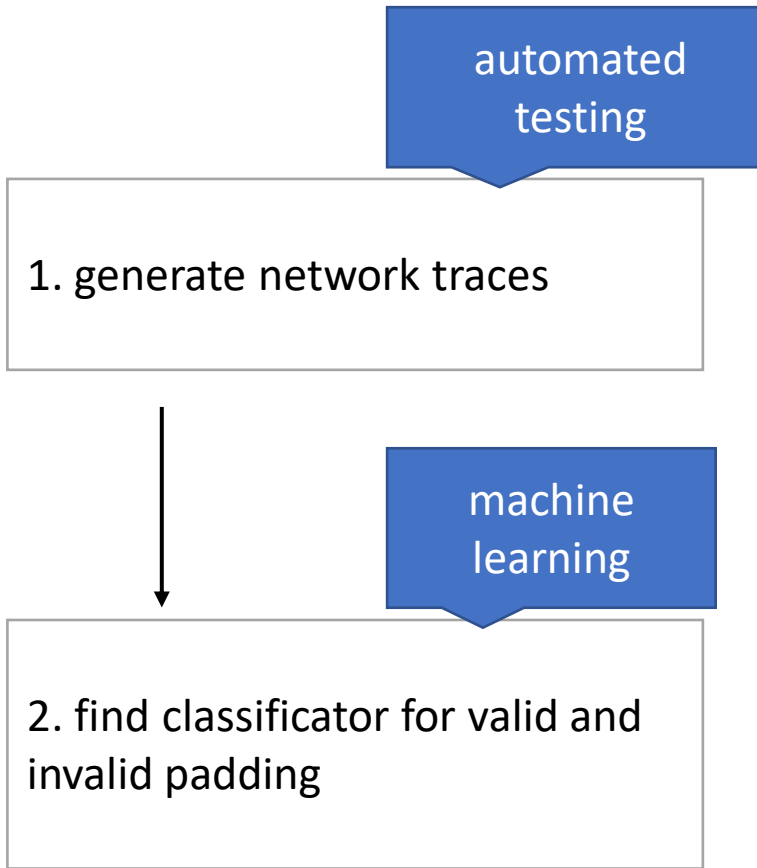


- uses a **padding oracle** to compute an RSA decryption function
- oracle can be constructed from **error messages** sent by the TLS server

Automatic Side-channel Detection in Cryptographic Protocols

- Automatic detection of padding oracle side channels
- TLS protocol
- Detection on protocol level – applicable on all TLS implementations

**May find any oracle that exists
Even unknown side-channels**

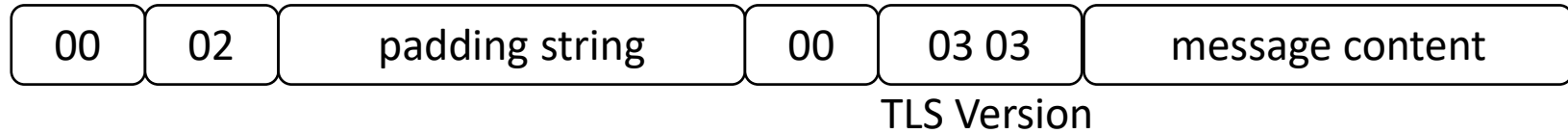


PKCS#1v1.5 Padding

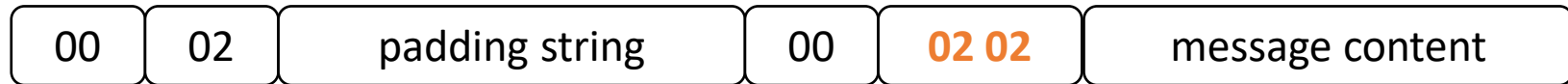
valid padding

start bytes

separator



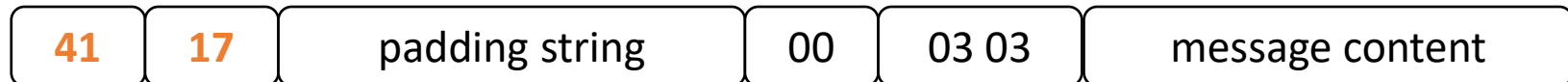
(1) invalid TLS version



(2) missing separator

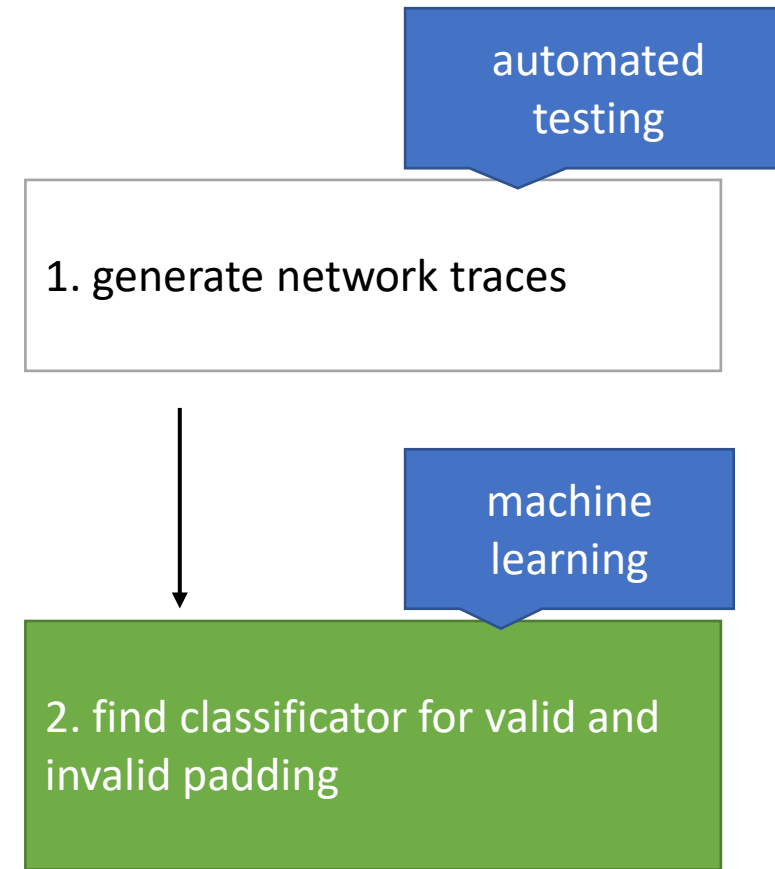


(3) invalid start bytes



manipulated padding

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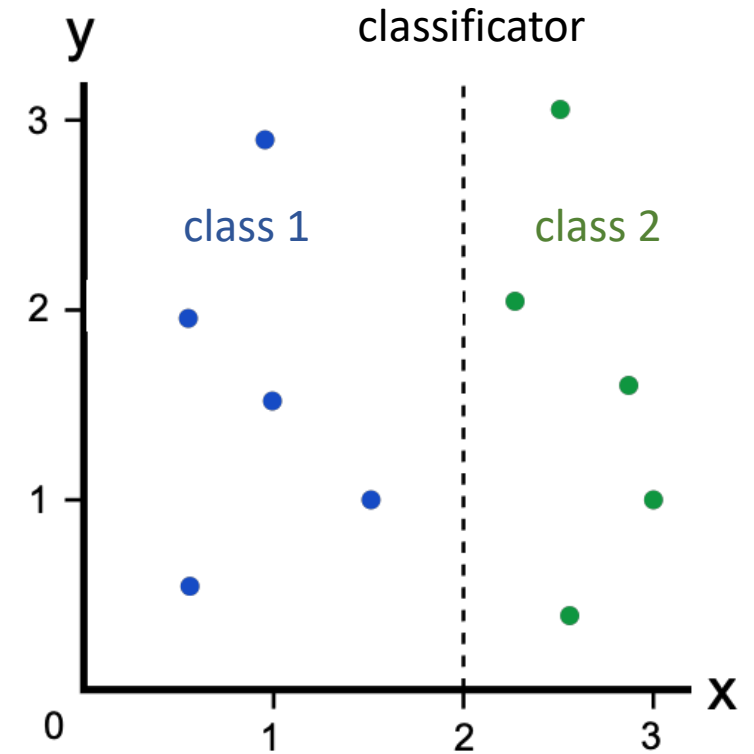
Machine Learning Approach

- Detect padding oracle

Learnability of binary classifier:

detects on network trace from TLS and TCP messages whether a padding is correct or incorrect

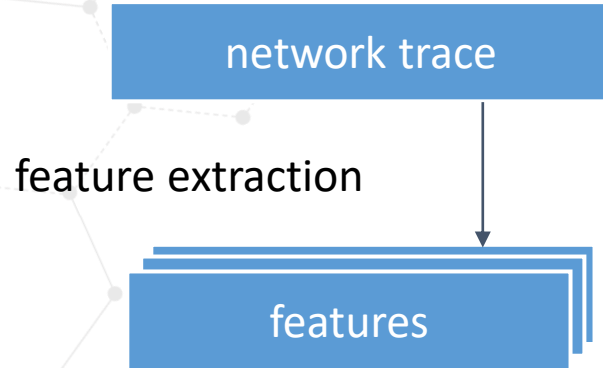
classifier = padding oracle



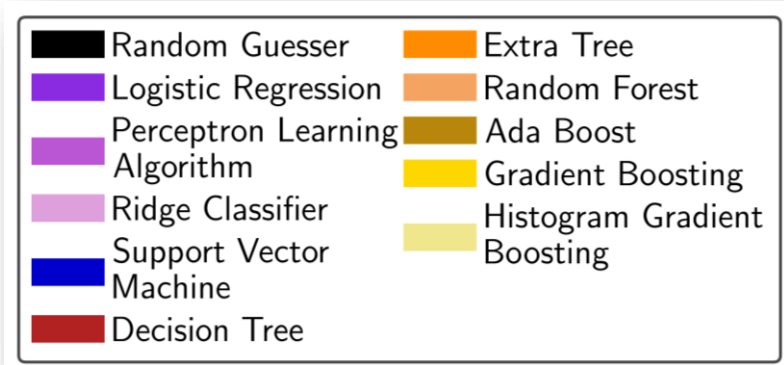
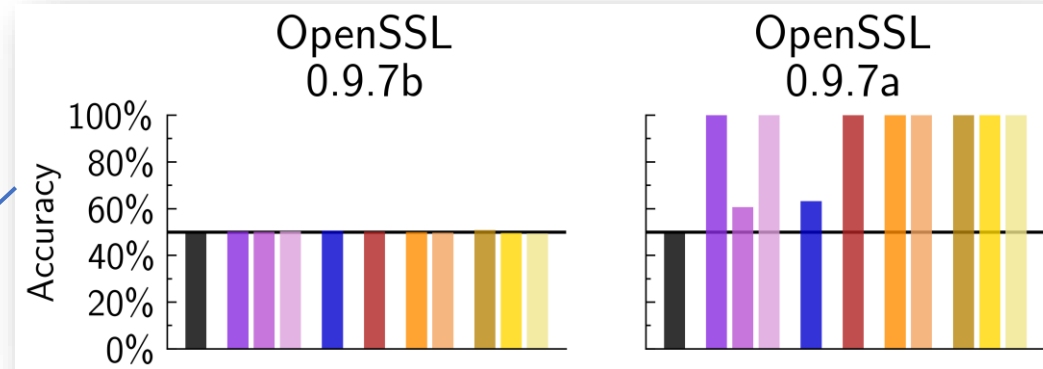
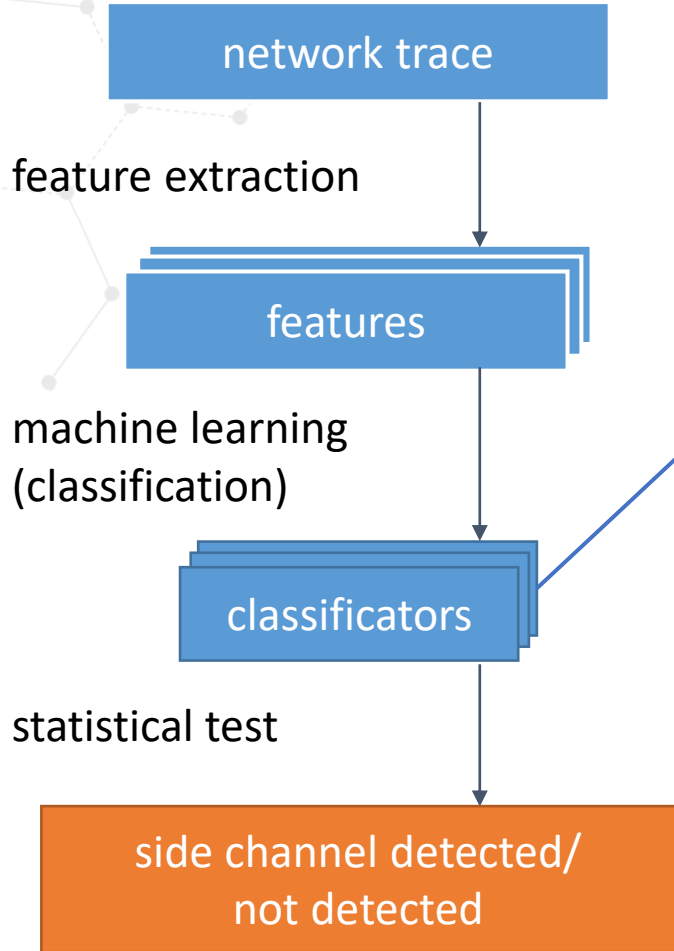
Implementation of Machine Learning Approach

network trace

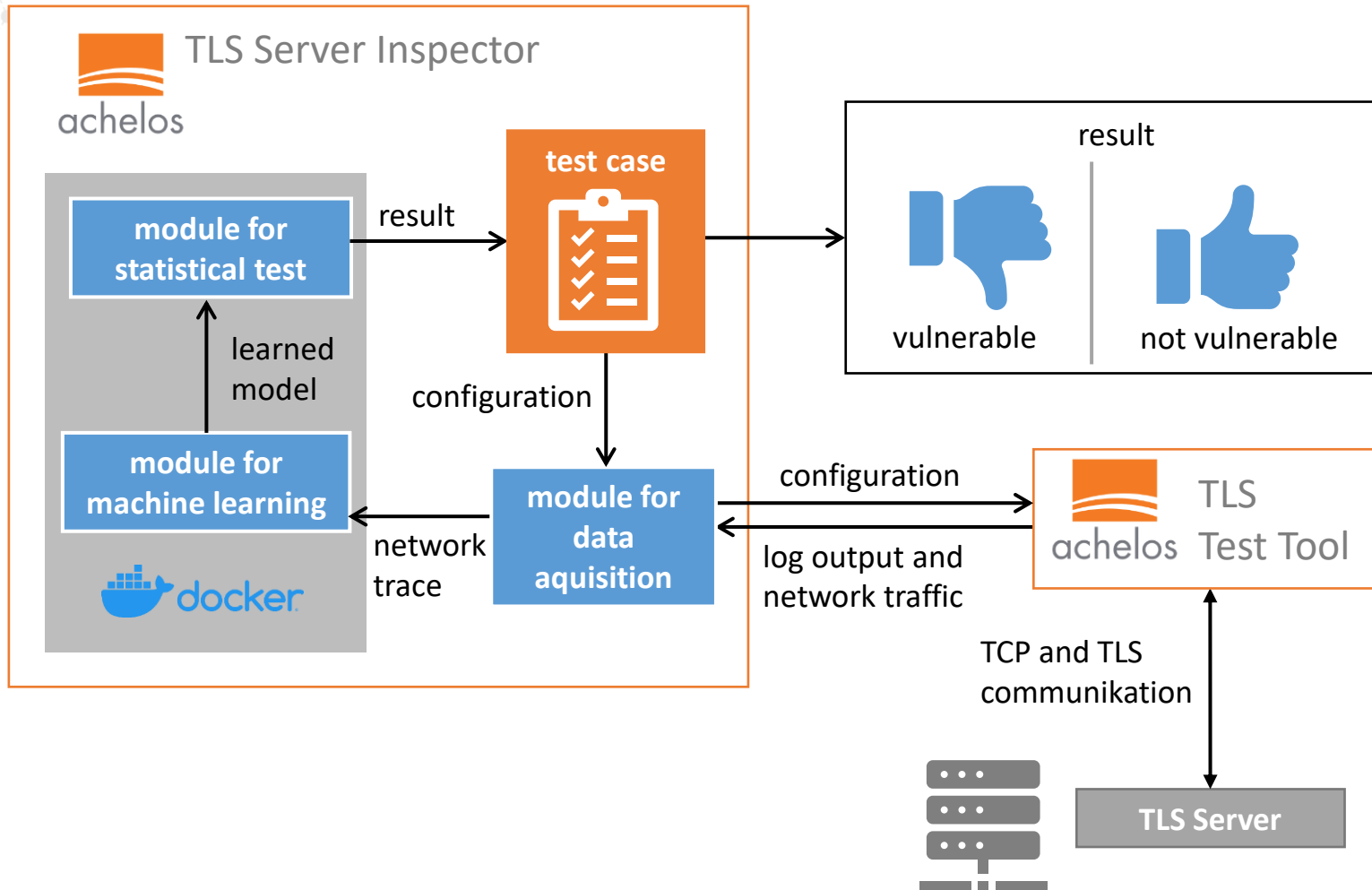
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Machine Learning

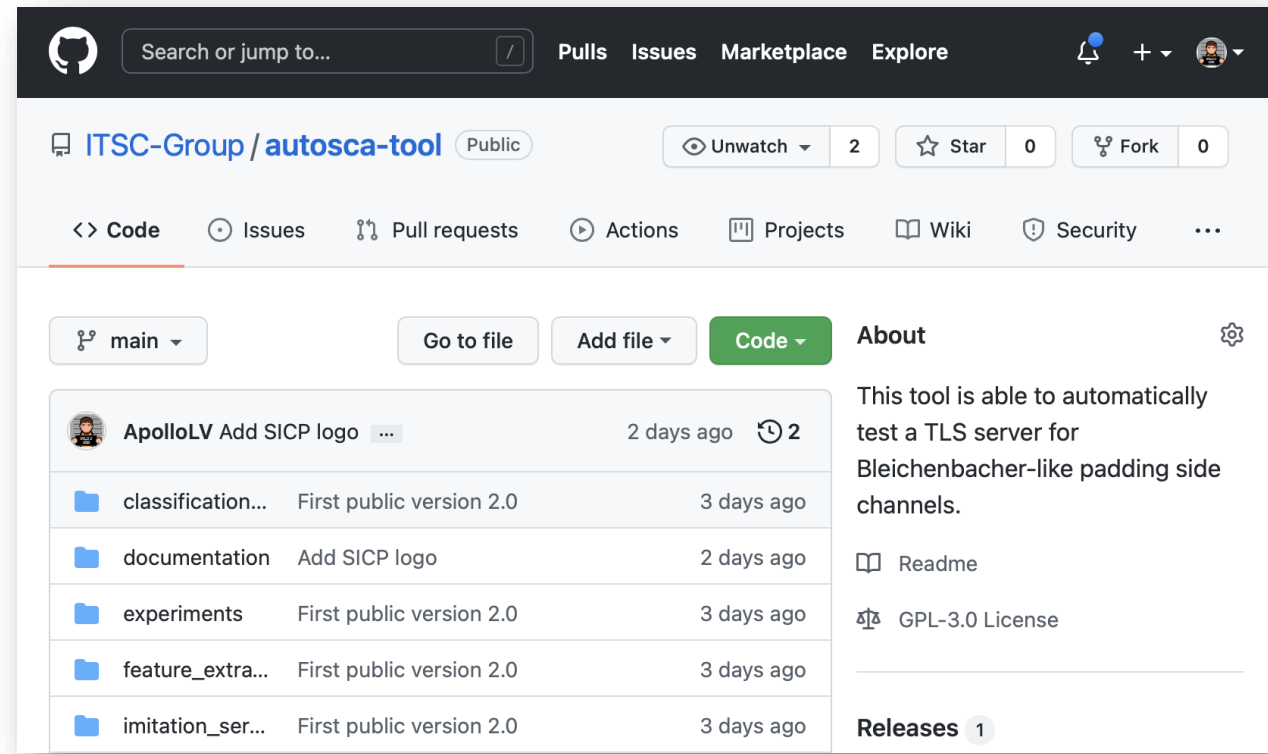


Prototype



Availability

available open source at
<https://github.com/ITSC-Group/autosca-tool>



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for `ITSC-Group / autosca-tool`. The repository is public and has 2 watchers, 0 stars, and 0 forks. The main branch is selected. The repository contains several folders: `classification...`, `documentation`, `experiments`, `feature_extra...`, and `imitation_ser...`. The `documentation` folder has a commit titled "Add SICP logo" from user ApolloLV, made 2 days ago. The `classification...`, `experiments`, `feature_extra...`, and `imitation_ser...` folders all have their first public version 2.0, which was pushed 3 days ago. The repository is licensed under GPL-3.0 and has 1 release.

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Vielen Dank! | Thank you!

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