

A vintage globe is shown against a solid blue background. The globe is tilted, displaying the Atlantic Ocean in the center. The continents of North America, South America, Europe, and Africa are visible, colored in various shades of green, yellow, and red. The words 'NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN' and 'SOUTH ATLANTIC' are printed across the ocean. A wooden ring with degree markings is visible around the top and right edges of the globe. Overlaid on the center of the globe is the text 'curl - a hobby project that conquered the world' in a bold, white, sans-serif font with a black outline.

curl - a hobby project that conquered the world

Dear Daniel,
I had emailed you a couple months ago



INSTAGRAM V7.10.0

curl

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Since you weren't aware that your name was attached to Instagram related hacking code, I thought you might want to know, in case you weren't already aware, that your name is also included in Spotify terms and conditions.

Cancel

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libcurl

<http://curl.haxx.se/>

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these are big companies that you likely don't
want to have a trail of evidence that you are
a part of

an Instagram and Spotify hacking ring

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wolfSSL



*An **open source project** that
makes a **command line tool**
and a **library** for transferring
data using Internet protocols*

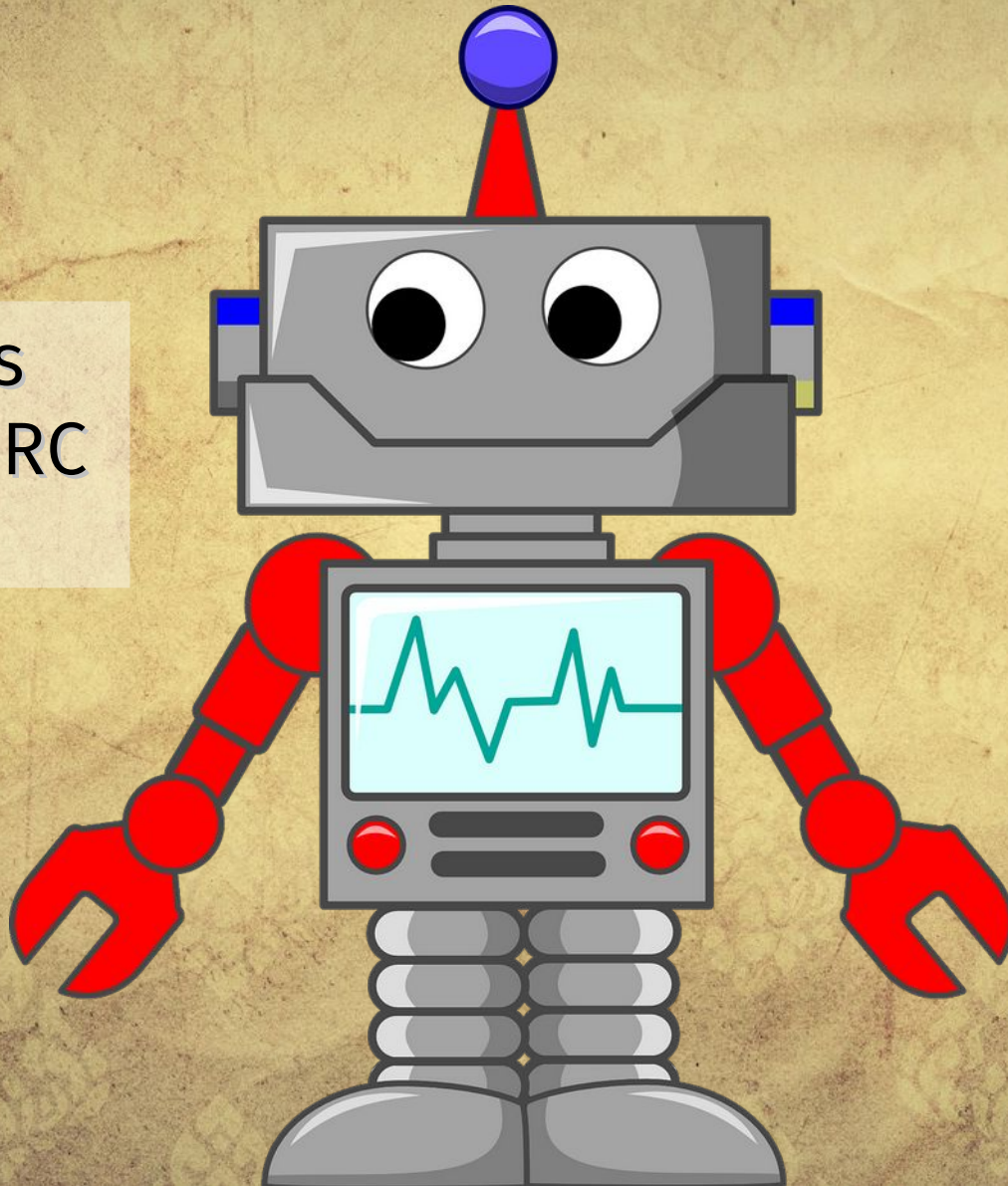
Once upon the time...

nothing



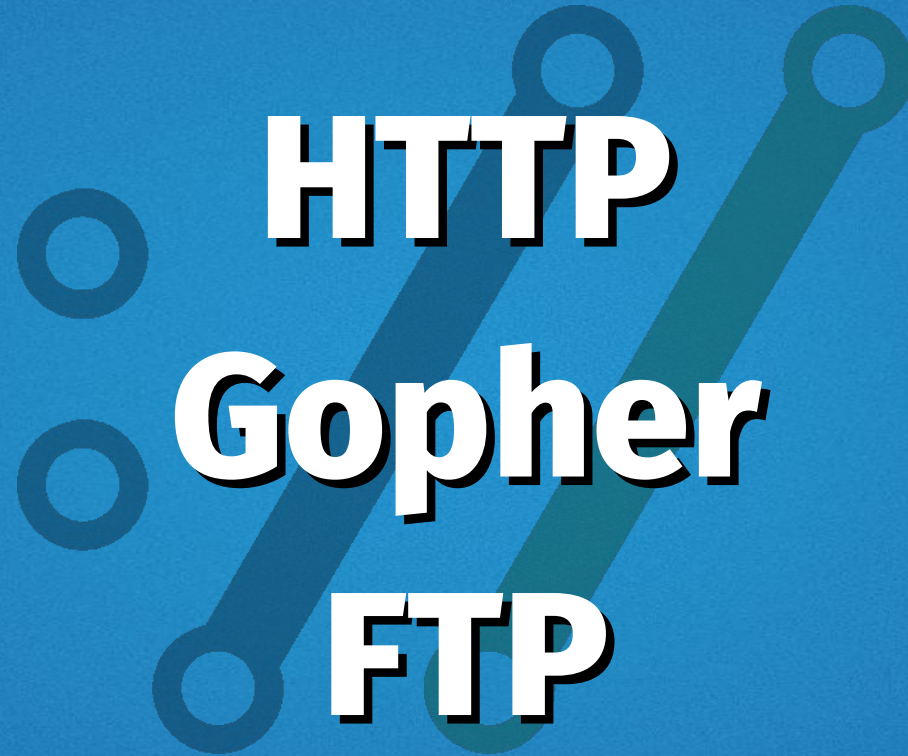


... while I was
writing this IRC
bot...



Let's put it online!

... became curl 1998

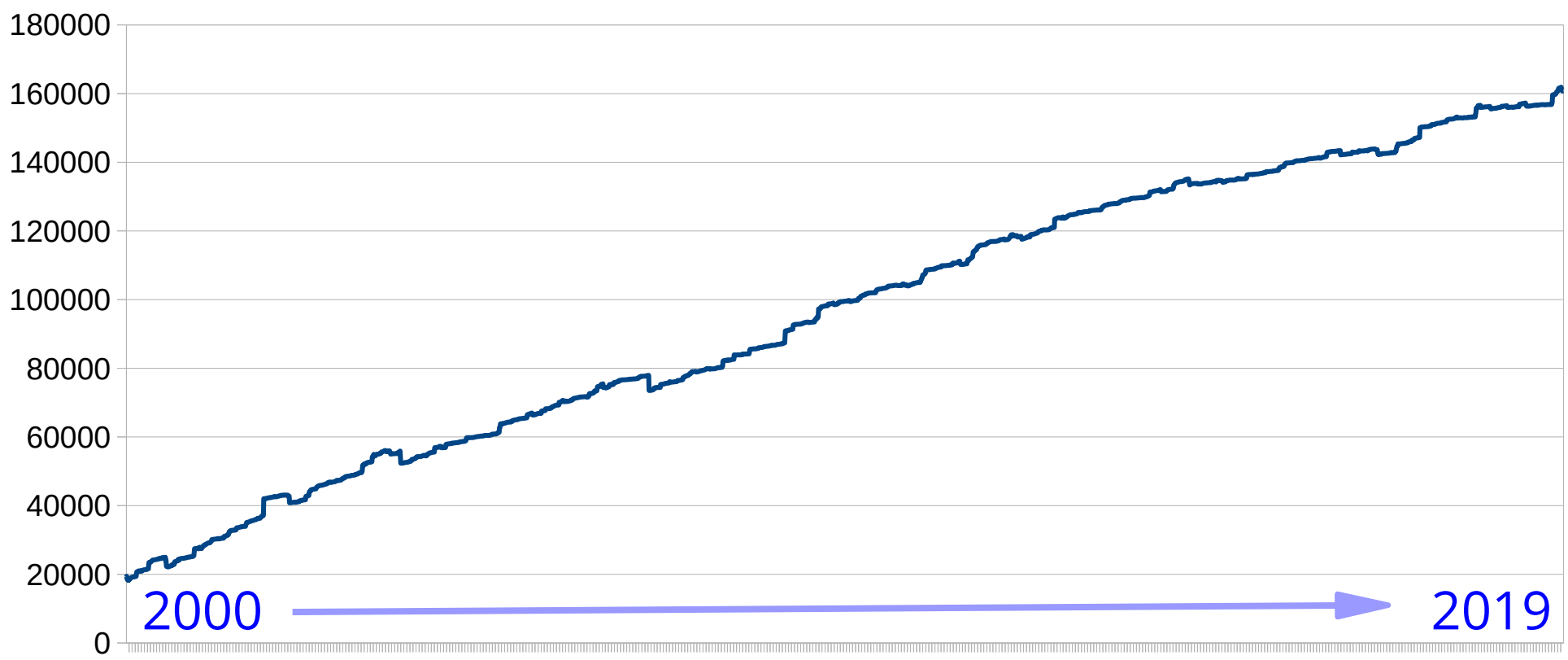


December 1998

Mailing List

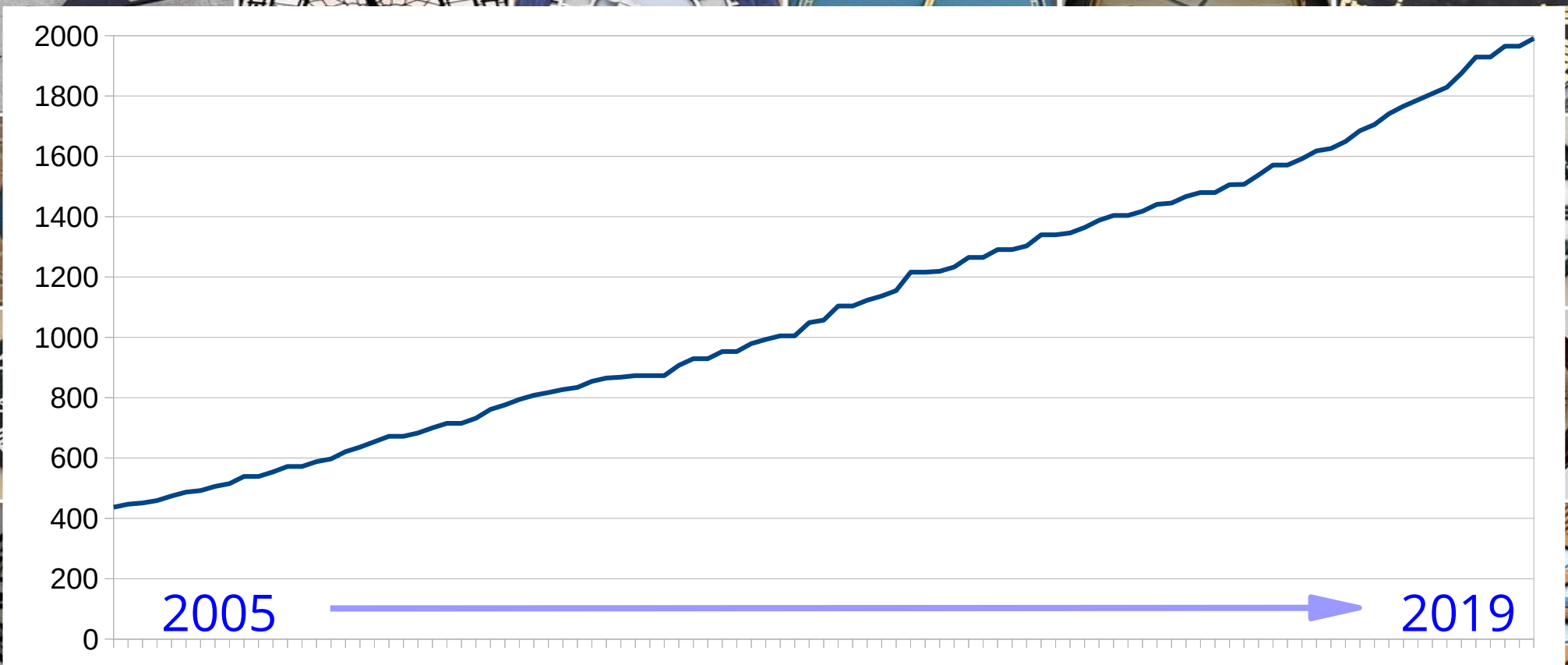
Due to the massive popularity, We have started a mailing list about this tool.
(Version 4.8.4 alone got downloaded more than 300 times from this site.)

... and time passed...



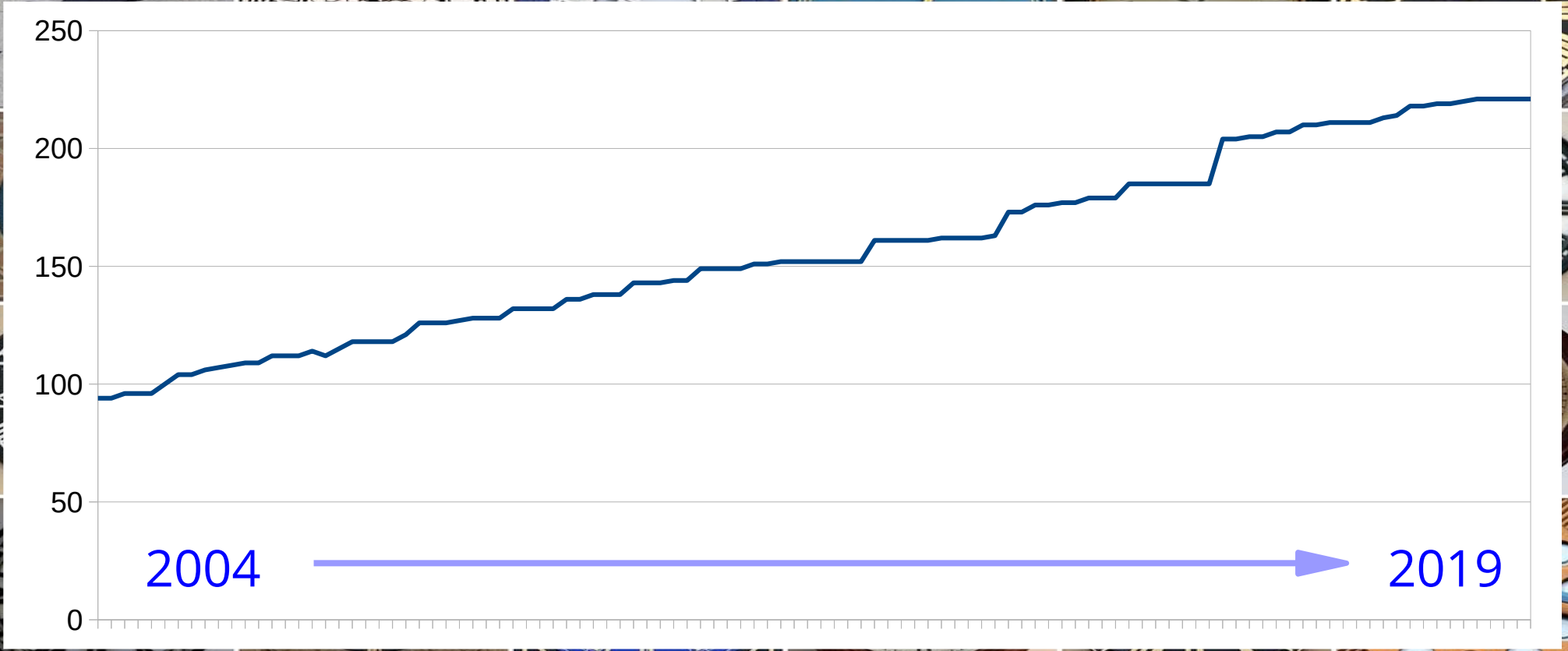
Number of lines of code

... and time passed...



Number of contributors

... and time passed...



Number of command line options

2019

DICT, FILE, FTP, FTPS, Gopher, HTTP, HTTPS, IMAP, IMAPS, LDAP, LDAPS, POP3, POP3S, RTMP, RTMPS, RTSP, SCP, SFTP, SMB, SMBS, SMTP, SMTPS, Telnet and TFTP

TLS certificates, HTTP POST, HTTP PUT, FTP uploading, HTTP form based upload, HTTP/HTTPS/SOCKS proxy, cookies, authentication (Basic, Digest, NTLM, Negotiate, Kerberos), HTTP/2, HTTP/3, alt-svc:, happy eyeballs, file transfer resume, proxy tunneling, DNS-over-HTTPS, HTTP compression and much more

Number of available web sites

1996: 257,000

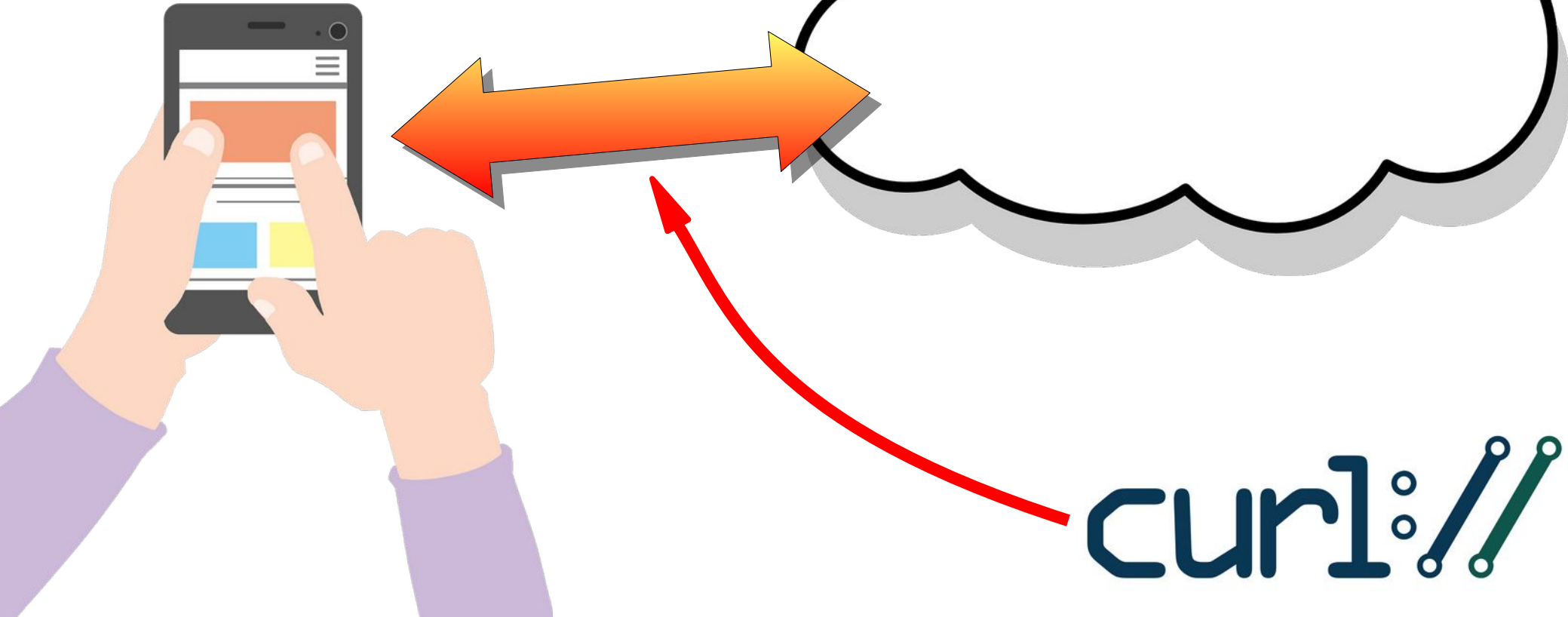
2019: 1,940,000,000

(multiplied 7,500 times)



Just curl it!

curl is a bridge



curl:/'

Widely used

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16 Software, 1C Company, ACCESS, Actuate, Adara Networks, AddLive, Adobe, Aditiva, Adknowledge, alaTEST, Altera, Altos, Amazon, Ananse Productions, AOL, Apple, Archivas, ATX, AT&T, Autodesk, Avaya, BBC, Bietfuchs, Biicode, Bitcartel, Blackberry, Blizzard, Bloglines.com, Blue Digits, Blue Security, BMW, Booking.com, Bosch, Baojun, Broadcom, bwin, Cadillac, Candela Technologies, Canonical, Carestream Health, Cascade Data Systems, CatchFIRE Systems, CERN, CheckPoint, Chevrolet, Chronos, Cisco, Citrix, CLAAS Tractor SAS, Comcast, Contactor, CounterPath, Cybernetica, Datasphere, Datordax, Denon, DesignQuotes, Device Scape, Digium, EdelWeb, EFS Technology, Eiffel Software, Electronic Arts, Emsoft, Enigma Software, Euroling, Ergon Informatik, ESRI, etikett.de, www.expandtalk.se, Eye-Fi, E2E Technologies Ltd, F-Secure, Facebook, FalconView, Feitian Technologies, Ford, FriendFeed, FMWebschool, Garmin, GeekDrop, GRIN, Groopex, Grooveshark, focuseek, Games Workshop, Garmin, GipsyMedia, GMC, Google, Haxx, HPC, Heynow Software, Hitachi, Holden, Honeywell, HP, Huawei, HTC, inSORS, IBM, ideelabor.ee, Idruna Software Inc, Id Software, Infomedia Business Systems Division, Informatica, Information Handling Services, Insignia, Instagram, Intel, Internet Security Systems, Intra2net AG, isee systems, Jajja Communications, Jawbone, JET, JLynx Software, Kajala Group Ltd., Kaleidescape, Karelia, Kaseya, kencast inc, Kerio Technologies, Kongsberg Spacetec, LassoSoft, lastpass, LG, LifeSize Software, Linden Lab, Machina Networks, Macromates, Macromedia, Magic TV, Matrix Science, Mandiant, MandrakeSoft, Marantz, Mazda, McAfee, MediaAnalys, Mellanox, Mercedes-Benz, Metaio, Micromuse Inc., Miniclip, Modio, MokaFive, Inc, Memento, Moodstocks, Motorola, Mozilla, Music FX Live, Nagarsoft, Neptune Labs, Nest, Netflix, Netgear, Netiq, Network Mail, Neuros, Nintendo, Nissan, NoDesign, Nortel, Office2office Plc, OKTET Labs Ltd, One Laptop Per Child, Onkyo, On Technology, Opel, OpenLogic, opsmate, Optimsys, Oppo, Oracle, Outrider, Palm, Panasonic, Pandigital, Parrot, Passiv Systems, Pelco, Philips, Pioneer, Plogue, Pocket Gems, Polaroid Corporation, Polycom, Pure Storage, Quest, QVD, QNX, RBS, Renault, Research in Motion, Retarus Network Services GmbH, Riverbed, ROBLOX, Rockstar Games, Rolltech Inc, RSA Security Inc, RSSS, Samsung, SanDisk, SAP, SAS Institute, Seat, SEB, Sharp, Siemens, Silicon Landmark, Siphone, Skoda, Slingbox, SmithMicro, Sony, Sophos, Source Remoting, Splunk, Spotify, Steambird, Subaru, Suzuki, Sun, SurfEasy Inc, Swisscom, Symantec, System Garden, Tango, tasvideos, TeamViewer, Tellabs, Telstra, Telvue, Tesla, Thermomix, Thumbtack, Tilgin, Tomtom, ToolAware, Toshiba, Toyota, Trend Micro, Tribalmedia, Trion Worlds, Tiempo de Espera, Unisys, UniPlot, Unity3d, ustream, Valve, Vauxhall, Verisure, VETport, Vivisimo, Vmware, Voddler, Volition Inc, Vuo, VW, Wump Research, Xiaomi, Xilinx, XonaSoftware, Yahoo, Yamaha, Yubico, Zimbra, Zixcorp, Zonar Systems, Zyxel, Z2,

10,000,000,000
installations

curl uses libcurl

curl://

libcurl

TCP

UDP

file-
system

IP

24 supported protocols

libcurl

HTTP

FTP

IMAP

SMTP

POP3

GOPHER

TELNET

DICT

RTSP

RTMP

SMB

LDAP

SFTP

SCP

FTPS

IMAPS

SMTPS

POP3S

RTMPS

SMBS

LDAPS

HTTPS

TFTP

FILE

SSH

TLS

QUIC

TCP

UDP

filesystem

60 libcurl bindings

application

PureBasic	C++ Requests	D	Falcon	go-curl	Java	Lua-cURL	Object-Pascal	perl6-net-curl	Nim
ScriptBasic	Chcurl	Delphi	Ferite	Guile	Julia	Mono	O'Caml	PHP/CURL	Rexx
curlpp	BBHTTP (Cocoa)	Eiffel	Gambas	Harbour	Common Lisp	.NET	Pascal	PostgreSQL	Ring
curlcpp	Curlhandle (Cocoa)	Euphoria	glib/GTK+	Haskell	luacurl	node.js	WWW::Curl (perl)	pycURL	RPG
Tclcurl	Visual Basic	Visual Foxpro	Q	vXWidgets	XBLite	Xojo	S-Lang	Smalltalk	SP-Forth
Net::Curl (perl)	curl-rust	Scheme	Scilab	SPL	Clojure	Curb (Ruby)	Ada95	R	Kapito (Erlang)

libcurl

30 third party dependencies

libcurl

URL parser

winidn

libidn2

Name resolver

c-ares

HTTPS

- OpenSSL
- libressl
- boringssl
- NSS
- GnuTLS
- Secure Transport
- Schannel
- wolfSSL
- mbedtls
- gskit
- Mesalink
- AmiSSL

HTTP

IMAP

SMTP

POP3

SFTP

SCP

LDAP

RTMP

SSH

libssh

libssh2

wolfSSH

OpenLDAP

WinLDAP

librtmp

HTTP/3

quiche

ngtcp2 family

HTTP/2

nghttp2

HTTP/1

cookies

libpsl

compression

libz

brotli

authentication

winsspi

Heimdal

MIT-kerberos

I/O layer

Features can be disabled at build-time

libcurl

pthread

verbose output

sspi

crypto auth

ntlm-wb

TLS SRP

unix-sockets

cookies

HTTP auth

DNS-over-HTTPS

MIME

date parser

netrc

progress meter

DNS shuffle

alt-svc

71 operating systems

libcurl

Blackberry
Tablet OS

Sailfish OS

UnixWare

Illumos

AIX

Mac OS 9

Windows CE

vxWorks

iPadOS

SCO Unix

Linux

Windows

macOS

FreeBSD

MS DOS

z/OS

WebOS

PlayStation
Portable

RISC OS

NetBSD

OpenBSD

VMS

Tru64

Haiku

UNIXOS

Tizen

Mbed

FreeRTOS

Android

iOS

Blackberry 10

Integrity

MINIX

OS21

Cygwin

ReactOS

ChromeOS

Cell OS

HP-UX

ucLinux

IRIX

OS/2

MPE/iX

NCR MP-RAS

SunOS

Hurd

OS/400

Solaris

Symbian

AmigaOS

Netware

SINIX-Z

Syllable OS

Lineage OS

Plan 9

Ultrix

TPF

BeOS

eCOS

QNX

NonStop OS

tvOS

Garmin OS

Genode

DragonFly BSD

Nintendo
Switch

Fuchsia

Serenity

Redox

Hardened BSD

FreeDOS

20 CPU architectures

libcurl

x86

PowerPC

ARM

MIPS

RISC-V

Itanium

Alpha

SPARC

m68k

POWER

OpenRISC

Cell

MicroBlaze

s390

Nios

SH4

HP-PA

ARC

VAX

Xtensa



Hi Daniel,

I'm the marketing director for Dice.com and I wanted to reach out to you to thank you for spotting our billboard error on the 101. **We are deeply embarrassed by this mistake** to say the least. In a classic coding scenario, our QA failed us. Unfortunately for us, we bought this spot long-term and we are trying to figure out how quickly we can replace the content.

Master of many things

Subject: Multimedya isc-v:85

I have toyota corola with multimedya system that you have its copyright.

I need a advice to know how to use the gps.

Cisco Small Business Routers, March 2019

```
location / {  
    root    html;  
    index  index.html index.htm;  
  
    if ($http_user_agent ~* "curl") {  
        return 403;  
    }  
  
    proxy_set_header X-Real-IP $remote_addr;  
    proxy_set_header Host $http_host;  
    proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-For $proxy_add_x_forwarded_for;  
  
    rewrite ^/(.*) https://$host/$1 permanent;  
  
    proxy_pass 'http://$server_addr:8000';  
}
```

Malwares use it too (1/2)

October 2015: a single curl package was downloaded more than 300,000 times from the web site, accounting for over 70% of the used bandwidth.



Afterwards, it checks the presence of CURL³ libraries within the system directory. Those libraries are actually necessary for running applications `CURL.exe` and `Converter.exe`. In case of their absence, LiteC **downloads these libraries from the official web⁴** via the `Urlmon` function `URLDownloadToFileW()`. After the download, the zip archive is extracted into the system directory, e.g. "`{Windows}\system32`".

UPDATE: CURL libraries are now directly included into the initial installer `WeatherAppSetup.exe`.

Malwares use it too (2/2)



Chinese APT10 Hacking Group
Delivers UPPERCUT Backdoor Via
Malicious Word Documents

LOOKBACK —

New advanced malware, possibly nation sponsored, is targeting US utilities

Dear Engineer. You failed your licensing exam. Open this document to learn more.

DAN GOODIN - 8/2/2019, 12:00 PM



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Malware Analysis Report (AR18-275A)

MAR-10201537 – HIDDEN COBRA FASTCash-Related Malware

Original release date: October 02, 2018 | Last revised: December 21, 2018



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UFONet - Denial of Service Toolkit

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"oderint dum metuant"

Why?

Why use curl?

Internet doesn't follow specs

Open source; MIT licensed

Simple, stable, powerful API

Multi-platform

Documentation

Stable

All the protocols

Fast

Footprint shaving

Many TLS backends

<https://curl.haxx.se/libcurl/theysay.html>

Why Open Source?

There was never any alternative to me

Wanted to contribute back

Would never even come close unless

No, I would not be rich otherwise

```
*
*
*
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* you should have received as part of this distribution. The terms
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* furnished to do so, under the terms of the COPYING file.
*
* This software is distributed on an "AS IS" basis, WITHOUT WARRANTY OF ANY
* KIND, either express or implied.
*
*****/
#include "curl_setup.h"
```


How?

133 Relevant RFCs (260,000 lines)

libcurl

821 822 850 854 959 974 1035 1081 1123 1225 1350 1425 1427 1436 1460 1510
1635 1639 1651 1653 1725 1730 1734 1738 1777 1808 1867 1869 1870 1884 1928
1939 1945 1950 1951 1952 1959 1964 2045 2046 2047 2048 2049 2060 2061
2068 2095 2104 2109 2133 2145 2183 2184 2192 2195 2222 2228 2229 2231
2246 2255 2326 2373 2384 2388 2389 2396 2428 2449 2459 2478 2487 2518
2553 2554 2577 2595 2616 2617 2640 2718 2732 2817 2818 2821 2831 2854
2936 2964 2965 3207 3280 3493 3501 3513 3617 3659 3961 3986 4120 4121
4178 4217 4248 4346 4366 4422 4511 4516 4559 4616 4954 4959 5034 5092
5321 5322 5849 6749 7230 7231 7232 7233 7234 7235 7238 7540 7541 7628
7838 8314 8446 8484

Who makes curl

curl

2,000 contributors

730 authors

150 authors per year

12 regulars

Daniel

(The boxes are not drawn to scale)

Contributors

A group of children are participating in a tug-of-war competition. They are all pulling on a thick rope with effort. The children are wearing various casual clothes, including t-shirts and shorts. One child in the foreground is wearing an orange jersey with the number 15. Another child is wearing a grey t-shirt with a Star Wars logo. The background shows a grassy field and other children watching.

2,000 in total
40-50 per release
Increasing
Small core team
Volunteers

A wide-angle, high-angle shot of a large, tiered audience seated in a theater or lecture hall. The audience is diverse in age and appearance, and they are all looking towards the front of the room. The seating is red, and the walls are dark. The text "Everything is public" is overlaid in the center of the image in a large, white, sans-serif font. The text is split into two lines: "Everything is" on the top line and "public" on the bottom line. The lighting is warm and focused on the audience.

Everything is public

A row of colorful, weathered U.S. Mailboxes is mounted on a wooden post in a lush green forest. The mailboxes are in various colors including white, red, blue, and green, and show signs of age and rust. Some have names and addresses written on them, such as "CHITTICK", "WILL & CHRIS LAURIE", "ES OLIVER", "P.W. HOGAN", and "N290 WEBSTER". The background is filled with dense green foliage and trees.

mailing lists

on github

**a few have push
rights**



Who pays

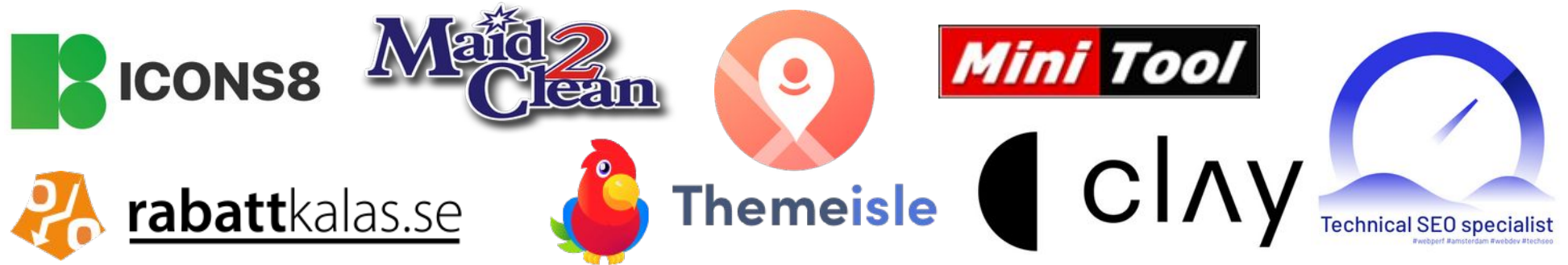


Spare time hackers

Company paid contributors

Company paid feature development

The mighty sponsors of curl



Secure enough for the billions?

Static code
analyzers

CI like crazy

Code audit

Many tests

Docs

Fuzzing

Valgrind and
sanitizers

Reviews

Code style

(at 90+ CVEs and counting)



curl bug bounty

Let's make it personal

**This is the lead developer
of this project**

I'm just an average developer person

I made this for myself

I just never stopped working on it

I made it possible for others to help out

I didn't stop working on it

I took it in directions I thought was right

I kept on working

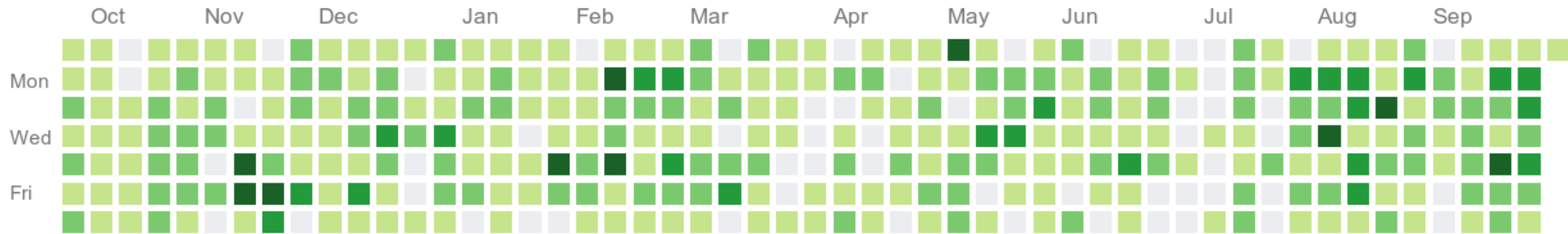
Two hours spare time per day

Every day, every week, every year, since 1998

Part time paid since 2014

Full time since early 2019

Yes, I totally mix and blur spare time and work!



Over twenty years add up

4,000 commit-days

15,000 spare time hours

16,000 commits

25,000 emails sent

What's maintaining?

Security issues

Release management

Web site admin

Mailing list admin

Patch reviewing

User support

Blogging about it

Debugging

Patch merging

Feature development

Write documentation

Event planning

Getting stickers

Doing talks



Why I do it?

I enjoy creating something that is appreciated by others. Many others.

I want to make curl as good as possible

Everyone needs a hobby

“The created economic value
cannot be overstated.”



Not everyone loves me



U.S. Department of State
NONIMMIGRANT VISA APPLICATION

Administrative Processing

Application ID or Case Number: **160177000**

Case Created: 17-Apr-2018

Case Last Updated: 17-Apr-2018

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You are not authorized to travel to the United States under the Visa Waiver Program. You may be able to obtain a visa from the Department of State for your travel. Please visit the United States Department of State website at <http://www.travel.state.gov/> for additional information about applying for a visa.

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Now?

On the map right now, maybe

ESNI

DoT

HSTS

MQTT

HTTP/3

tiny-curl

Future

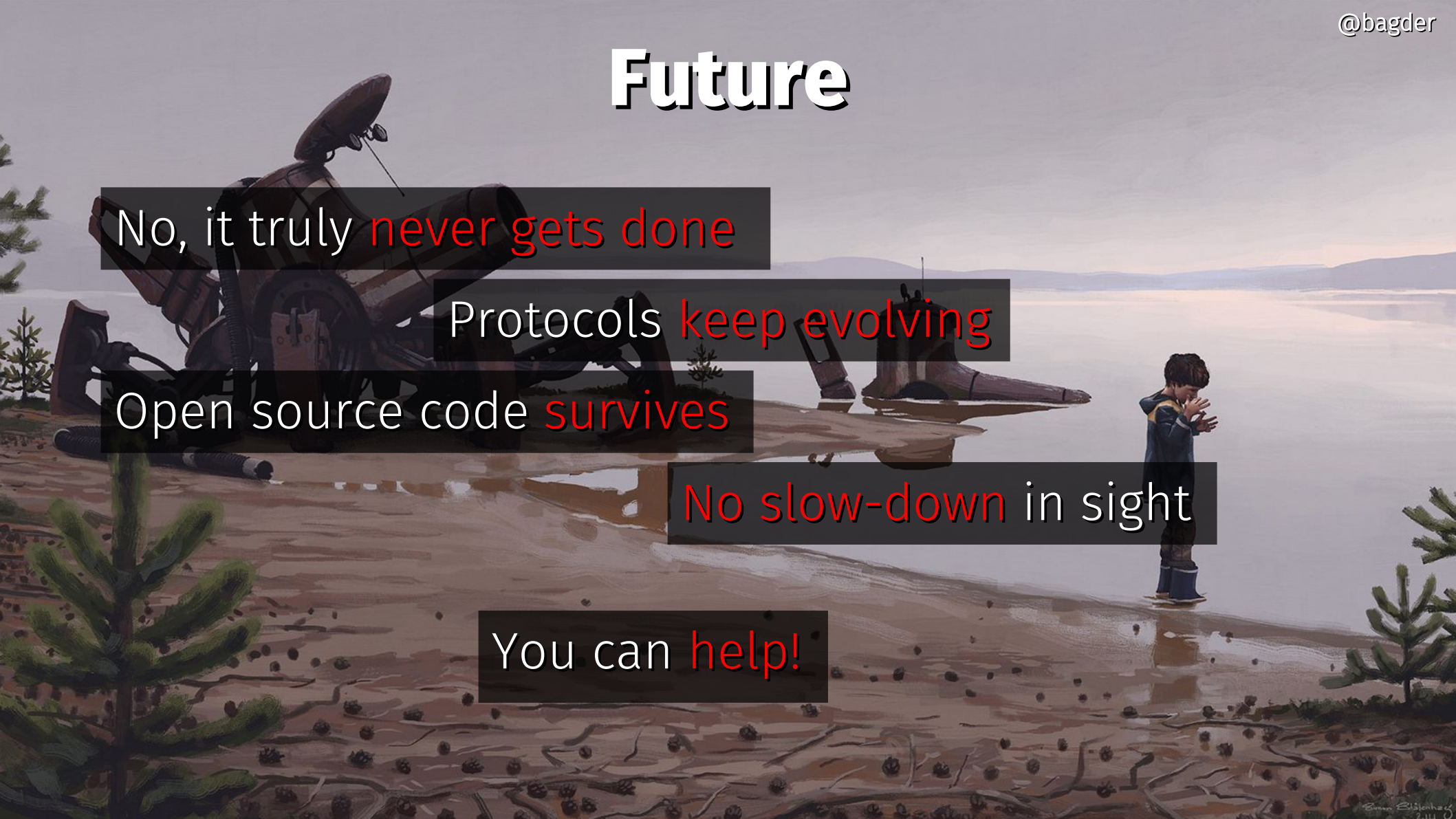
No, it truly **never** gets done

Protocols **keep** evolving

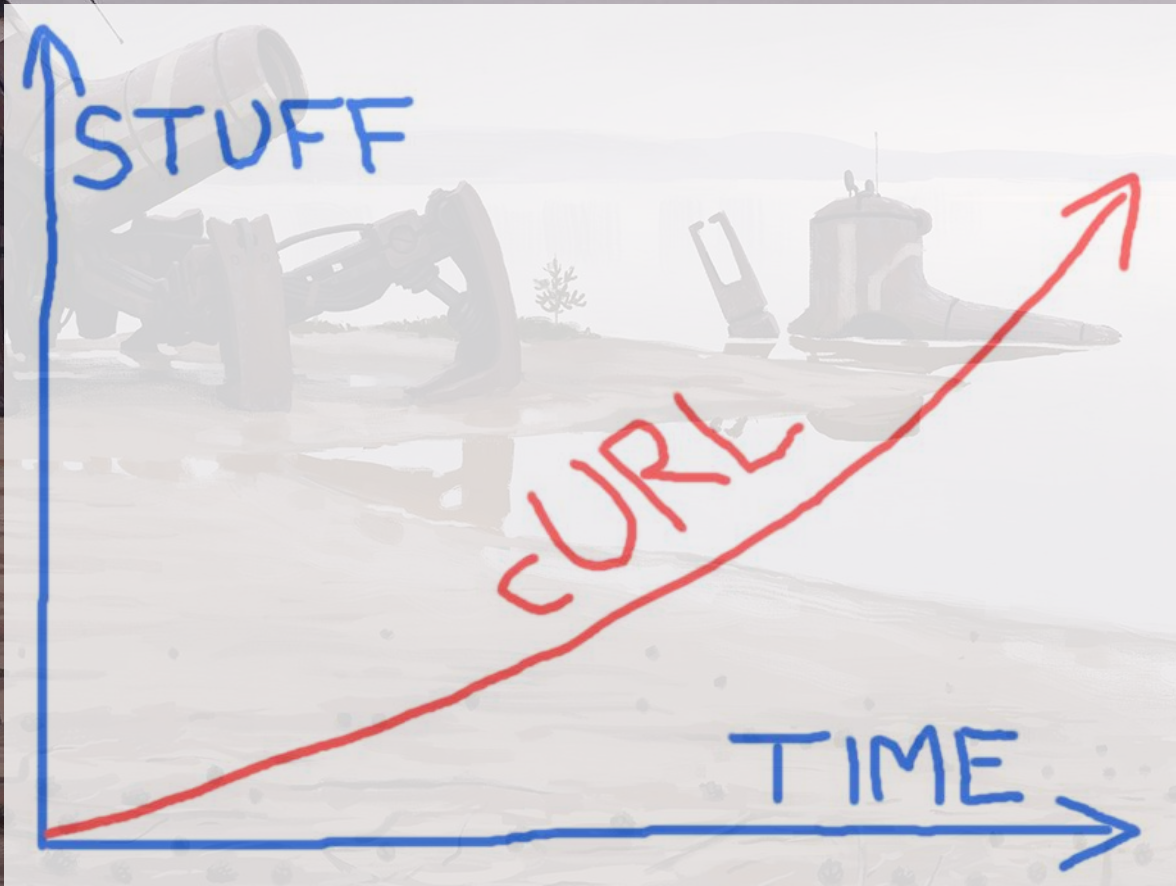
Open source code **survives**

No slow-down in sight

You can **help!**



Roadmap



A young child with dark hair is shown in profile, looking down intently at a stack of colorful wooden blocks. The blocks are stacked in a tower, with a yellow block on top, followed by a green one, and several red ones at the base. A hand is visible at the top left, holding a red block as if about to place it on the stack. The background is blurred, showing a white surface and a blue wall.

You can help!

@bagder

Everything

curl!!

<https://curl.haxx.se/book.html>

The complete guide to all there is to know about the curl project

Daniel Stenberg

Thank you!

Questions?

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