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Security for SPs including- DDOS Prevention Wireless Security

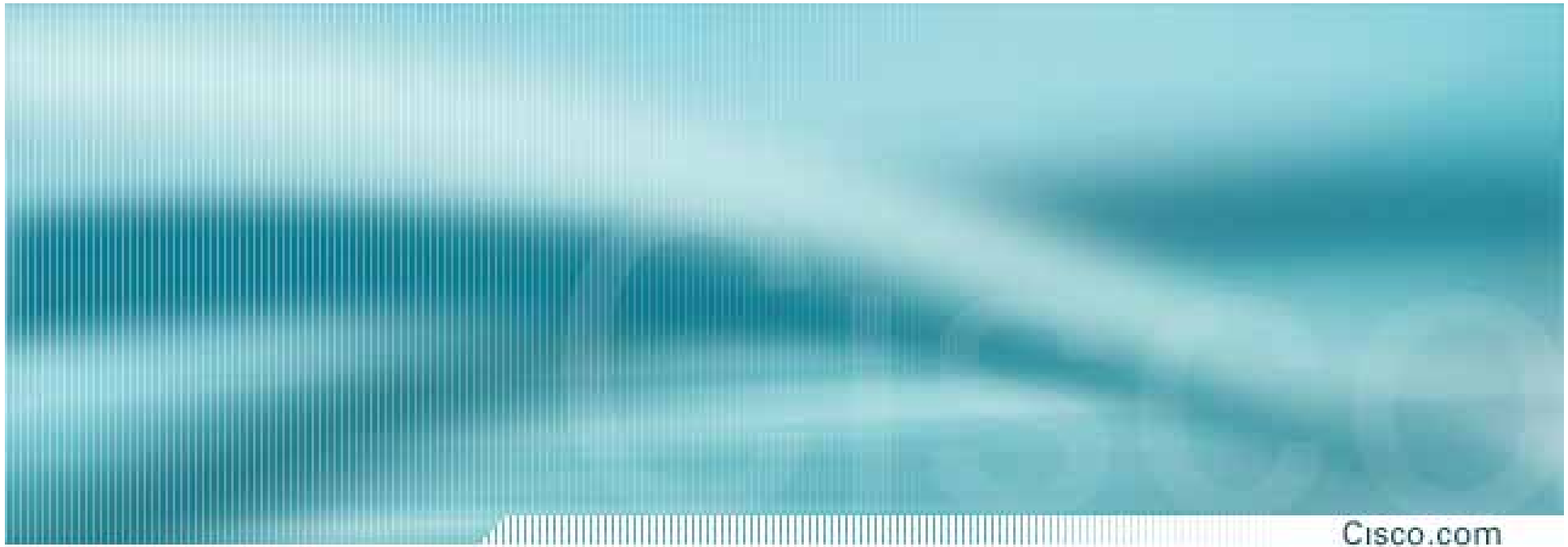
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Agenda

- **Challenges**
- **Trends**
- **Threats**
- **The first step - Telemetry**
- **Next Steps –**
 - Techniques**
 - Modular Application to SP infrastructure**
- **Wireless Security**
- **Case Study**



Security Challenges

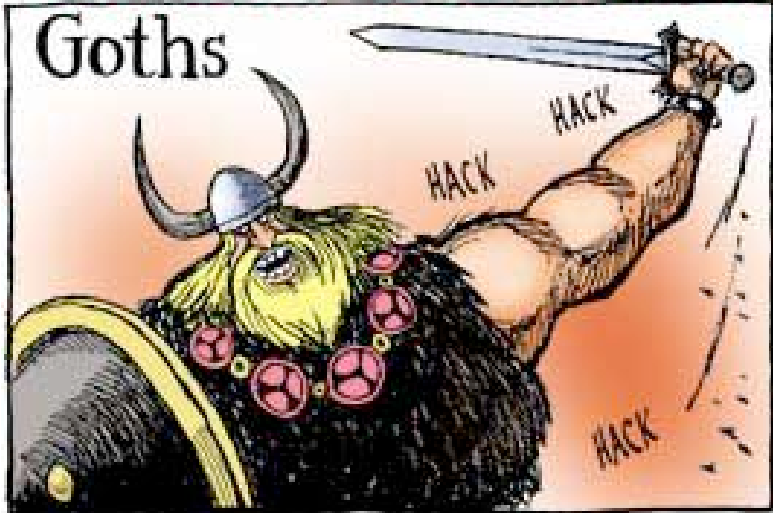
Introduction: Emerging Threats



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Today's Reality...

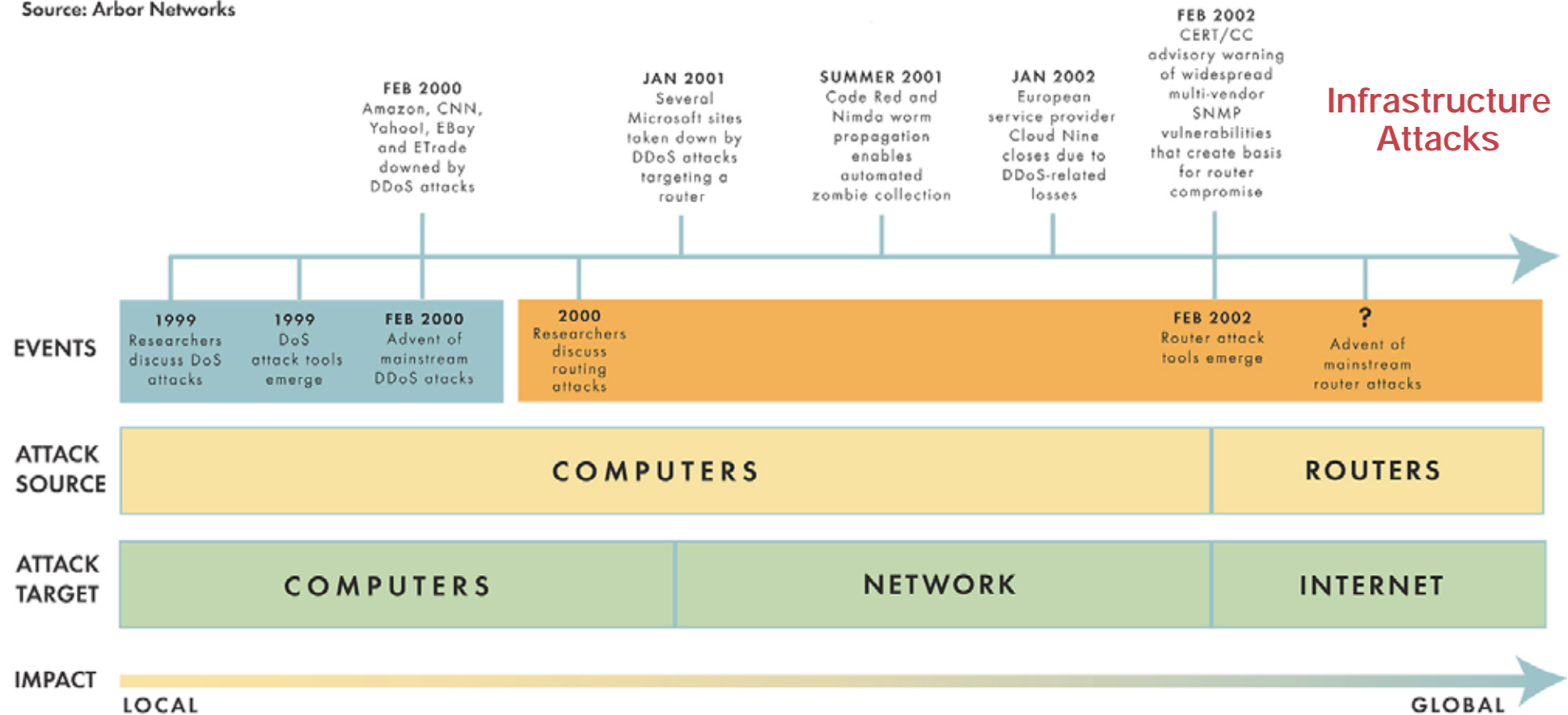
BRINGING CIVILIZATION TO ITS KNEES...



Evolution of Availability Threats

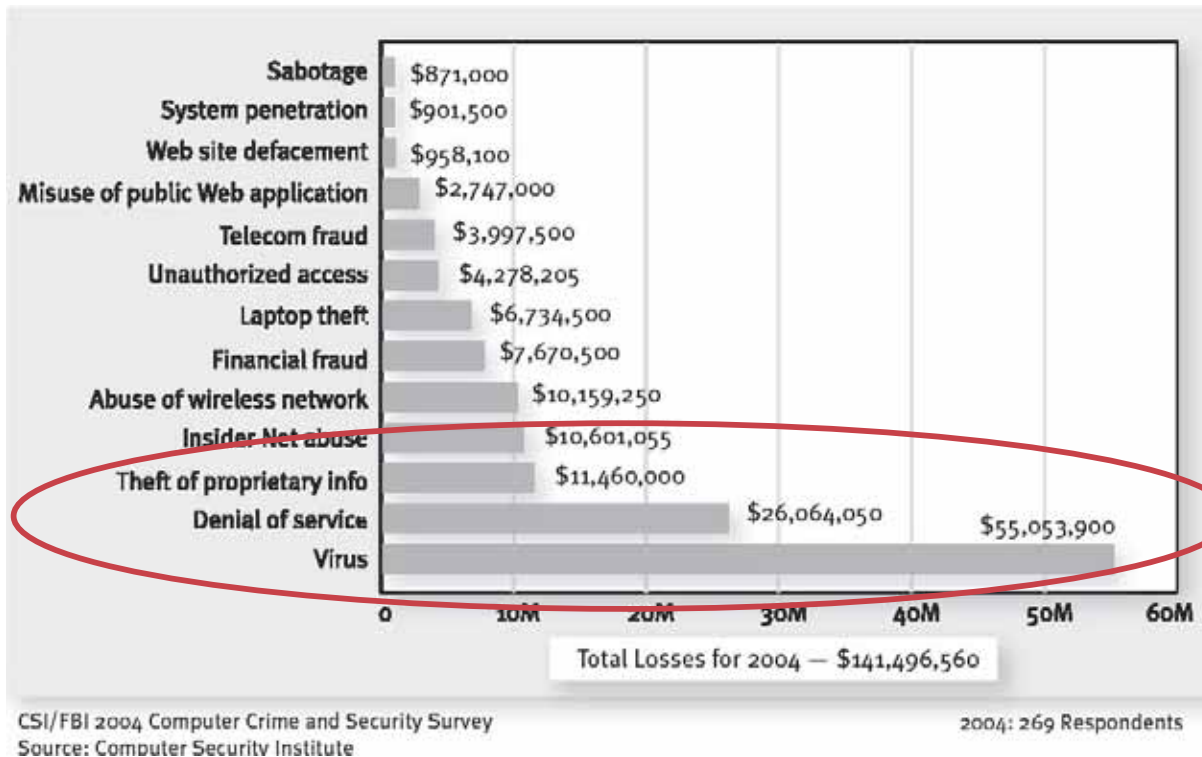
Evolution of Network Availability Threats

Source: Arbor Networks



Economic Impact of DDoS

Dollar Amount of Losses by Type:

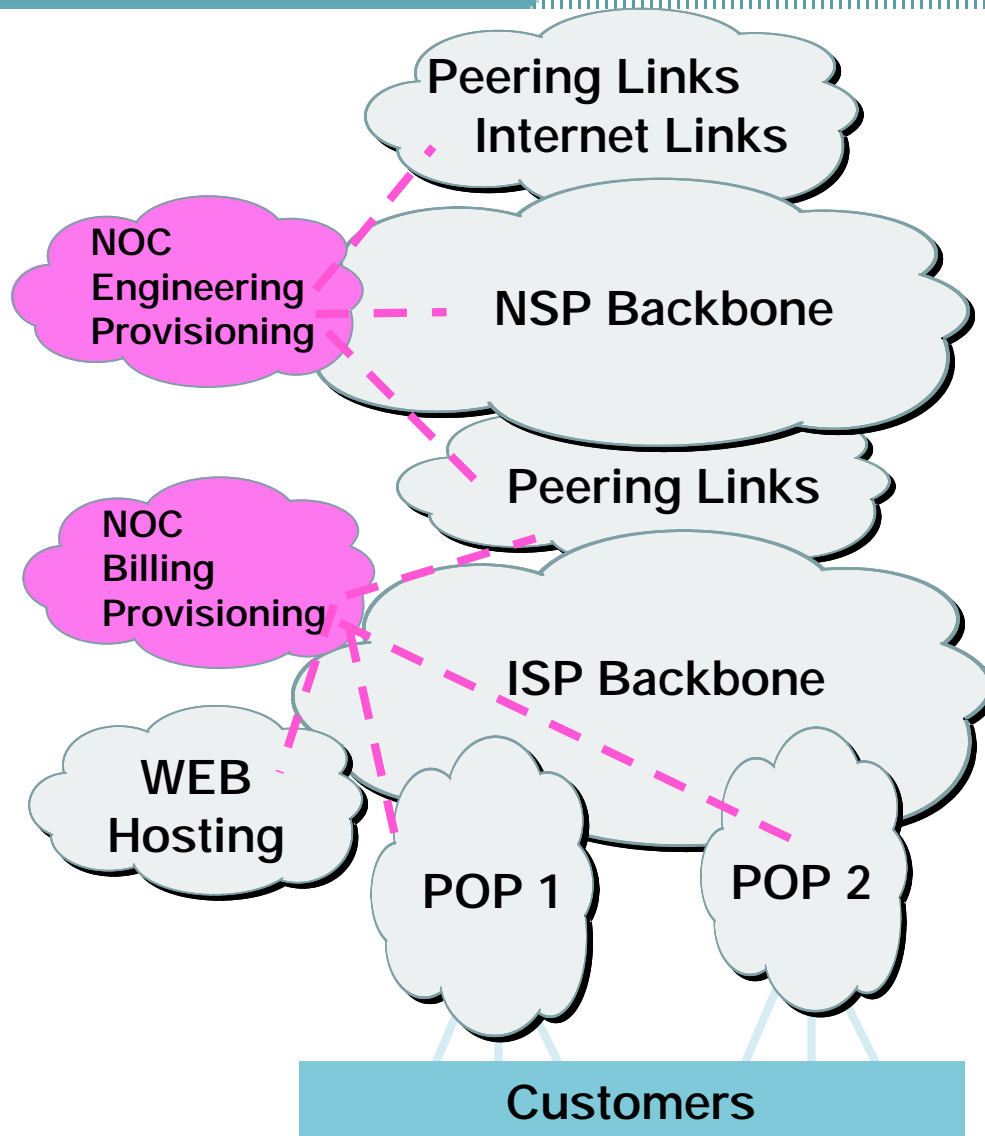


DoS Is 2nd
in Impact
After
Viruses!

Source: CSI/FBI 2004 Computer Crime and Security Survey

The Internet today

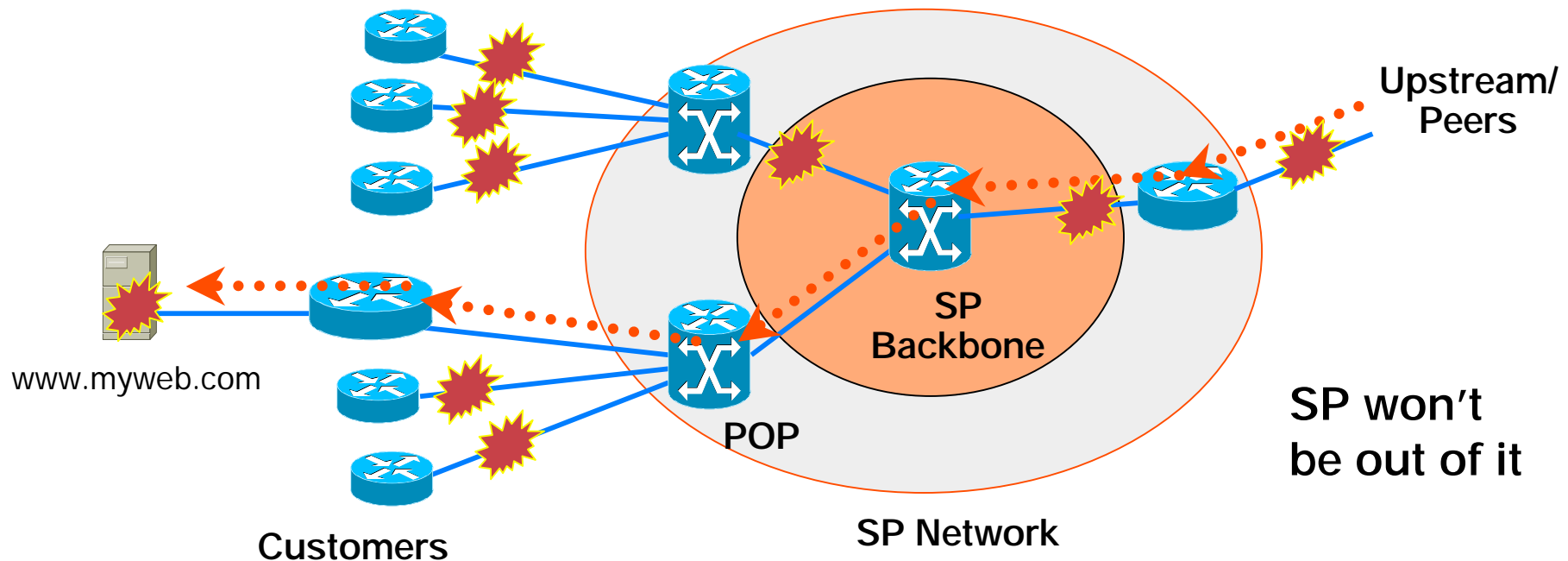
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- The new Internet Economy brought new services and new players: NSPs, ASPs, etc...
- E-commerce has become part of the business model. Customers now depend on the Internet
- Attacks targeted to customers can and do affect the infrastructure.
- Availability is not just matter of duplicating gear.

Collateral Damage

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**Attacks targeted to a particular customer
CAN and DO affect the infrastructure**

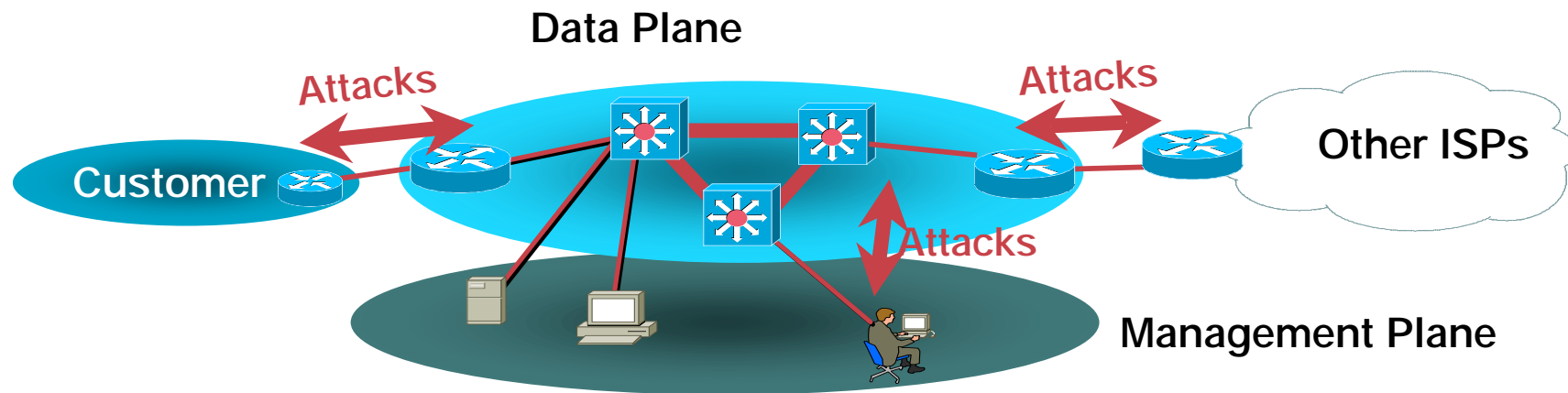
Infrastructure Attacks a wake up call

Now elements of the SP infrastructure are being directly targeted too:

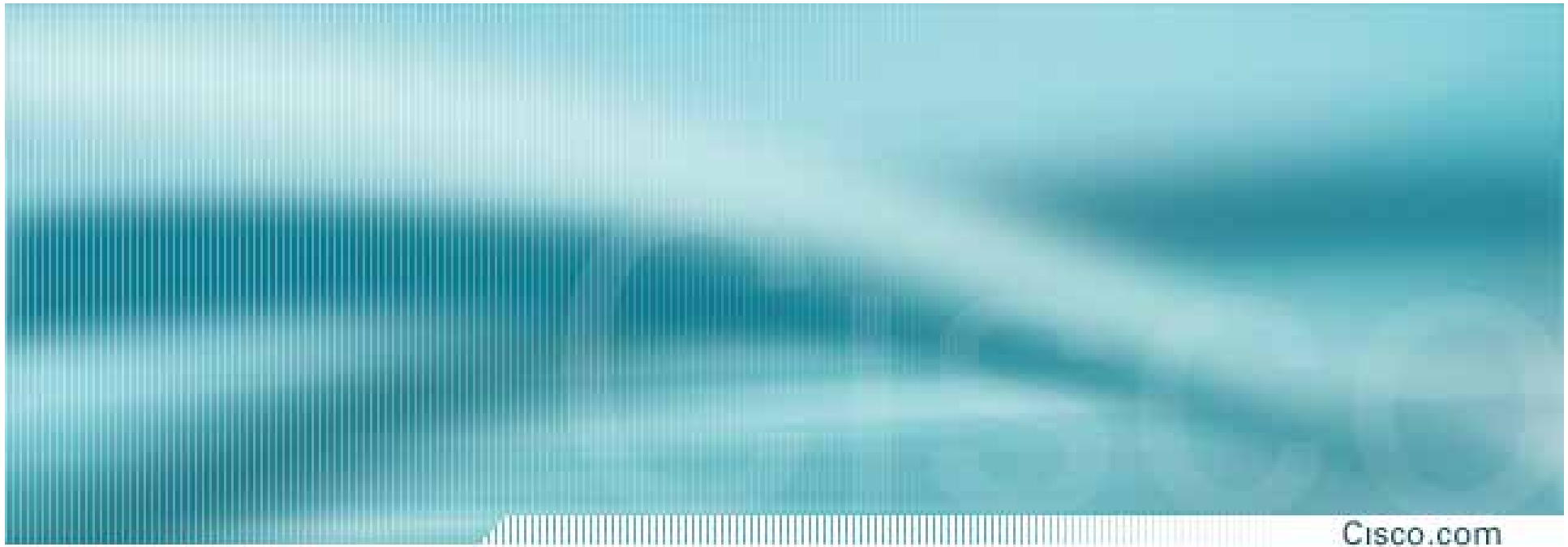
- **Services: DNS, DHCP, SMTP, WWW, FTP**
- **Routers**
- **Routing**
- **...**



Role of Service Providers



- Protect their own infrastructure (from Customers and Internet)
- Help protect other peers
- Protect customers from attacks coming from the infrastructure or other customers



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Security Trends

Evolution of Security Challenges

Target and Scope of Damage

Rapidly Escalating Threat to Businesses

GLOBAL Infrastructure Impact

Seconds

REGIONAL Networks

Minutes

MULTIPLE Networks

Days

INDIVIDUAL Networks

Weeks

Second Gen

Third Gen
• Distributed Denial of Service
• Blended threats

Next Gen

- Flash threats
- Massive "bot" driven DDoS
- Damaging payload worms

INDIVIDUAL Computer

First Gen
• Boot viruses

• Macro viruses
• Denial of Service

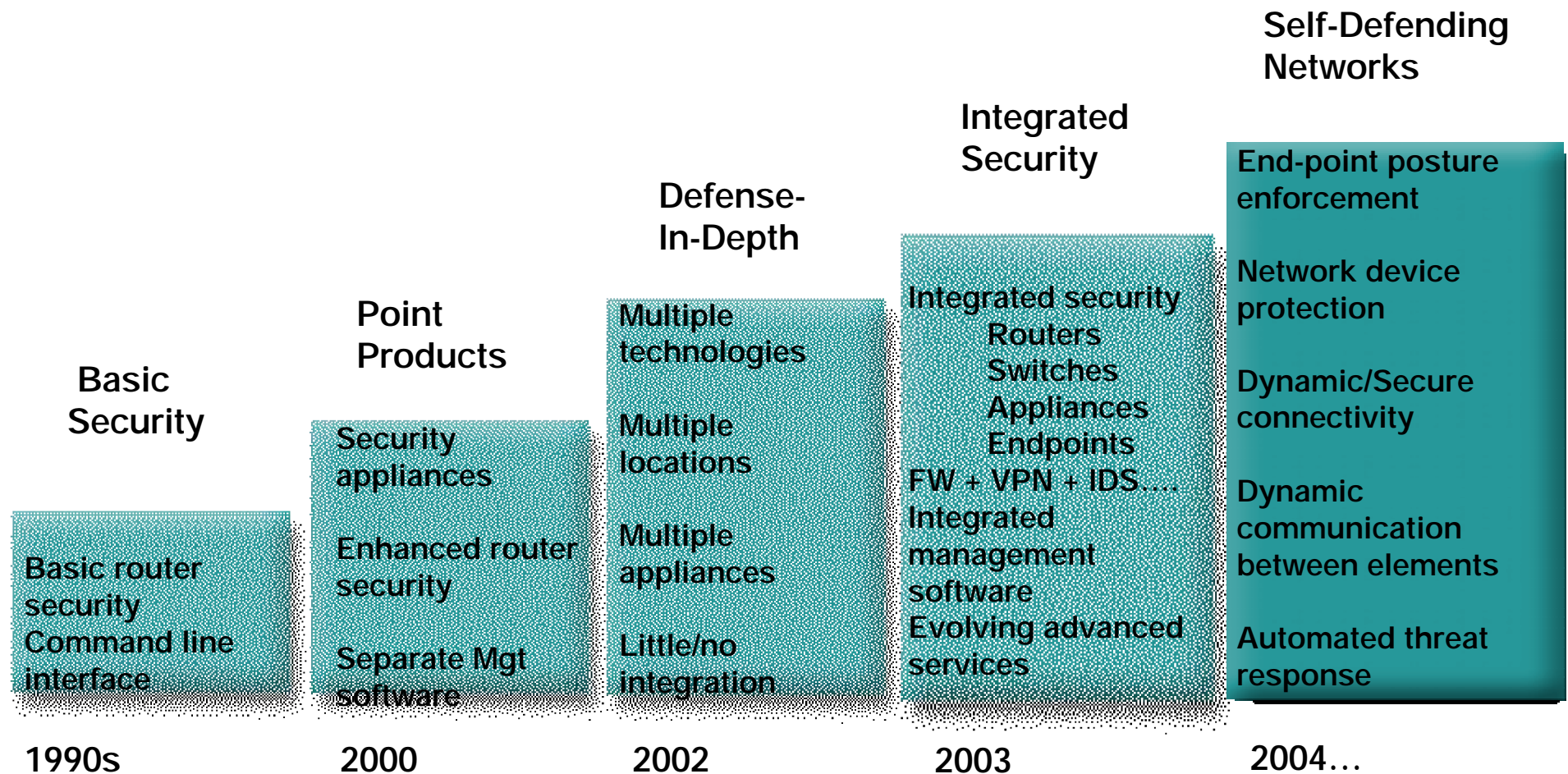
1980s

1990s

Today

Future

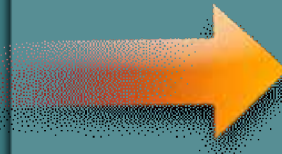
Evolution of Security Strategies



Self-Defending Network

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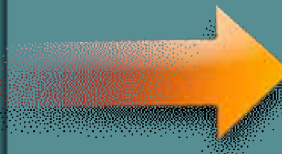
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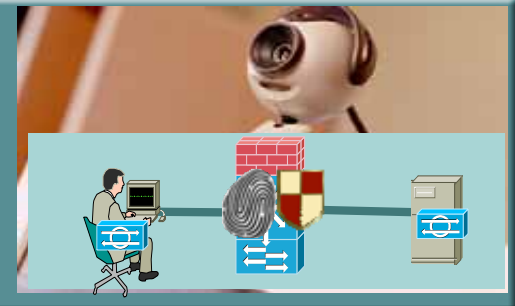
Integrated Security



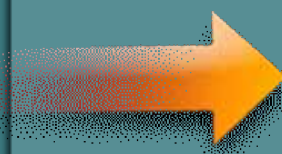
2. Disparate Security Services



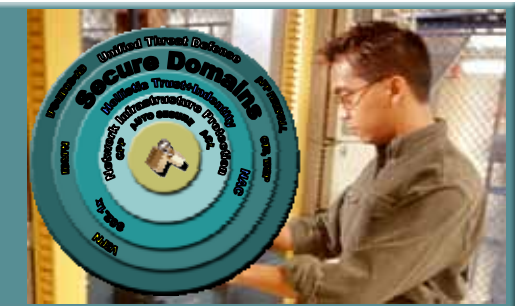
Collaborative Security Systems



3. Reactive Security



Adaptive Security



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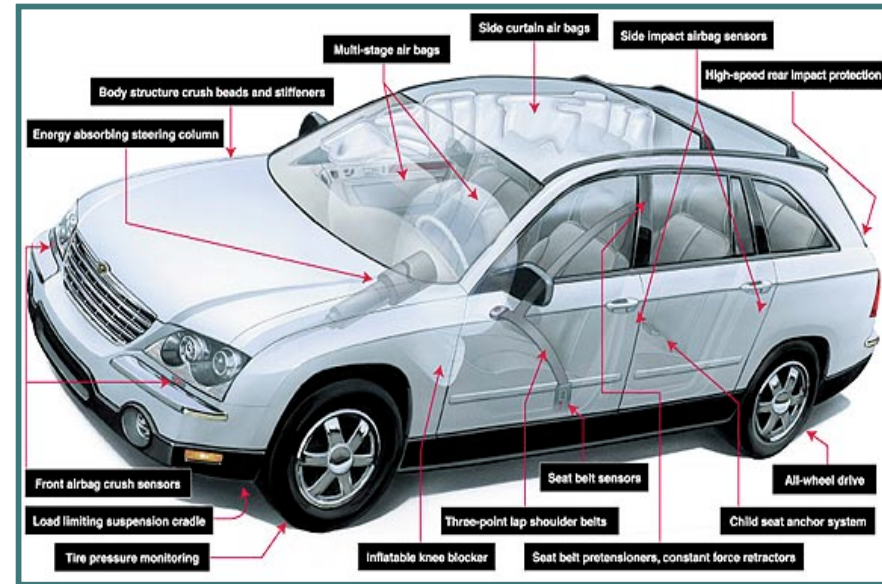
Controlling the Who, What, Where, When, Why and How

- **Who**—allows access to data only by authorized personnel
- **What**—prevents data from ever being stored, copied, or printed outside the secure environment
- **Where**—provides layers of protection and auditing to ensure that data is only stored in a controlled location
- **When**—users process data normally, but the data never “sleeps” outside of the secure area
- **Why**—only authorized personnel allowed to process data
- **How**—data access is restricted, authenticated, and audited by the Self-Defending Network

Self Defending Networks

From Point Products to Holistic System

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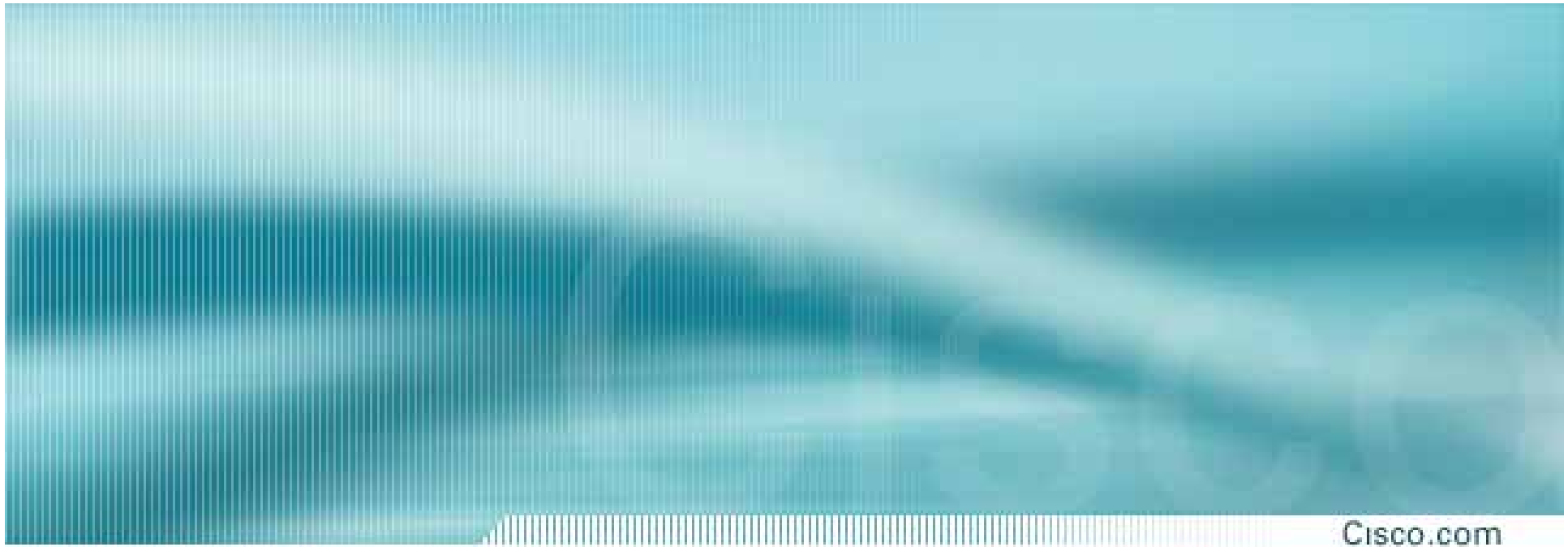


Security as an Option

- Very complex environment
- Higher integration cost
- Security risks not mitigated
- Lower reliability

Security, INTEGRAL to the System

- Reduced complexity
- Easier deployment and management
- Security risks effectively mitigated
- Lower TCO



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Threats

Introduction: The Basic Model

Types of Communication:

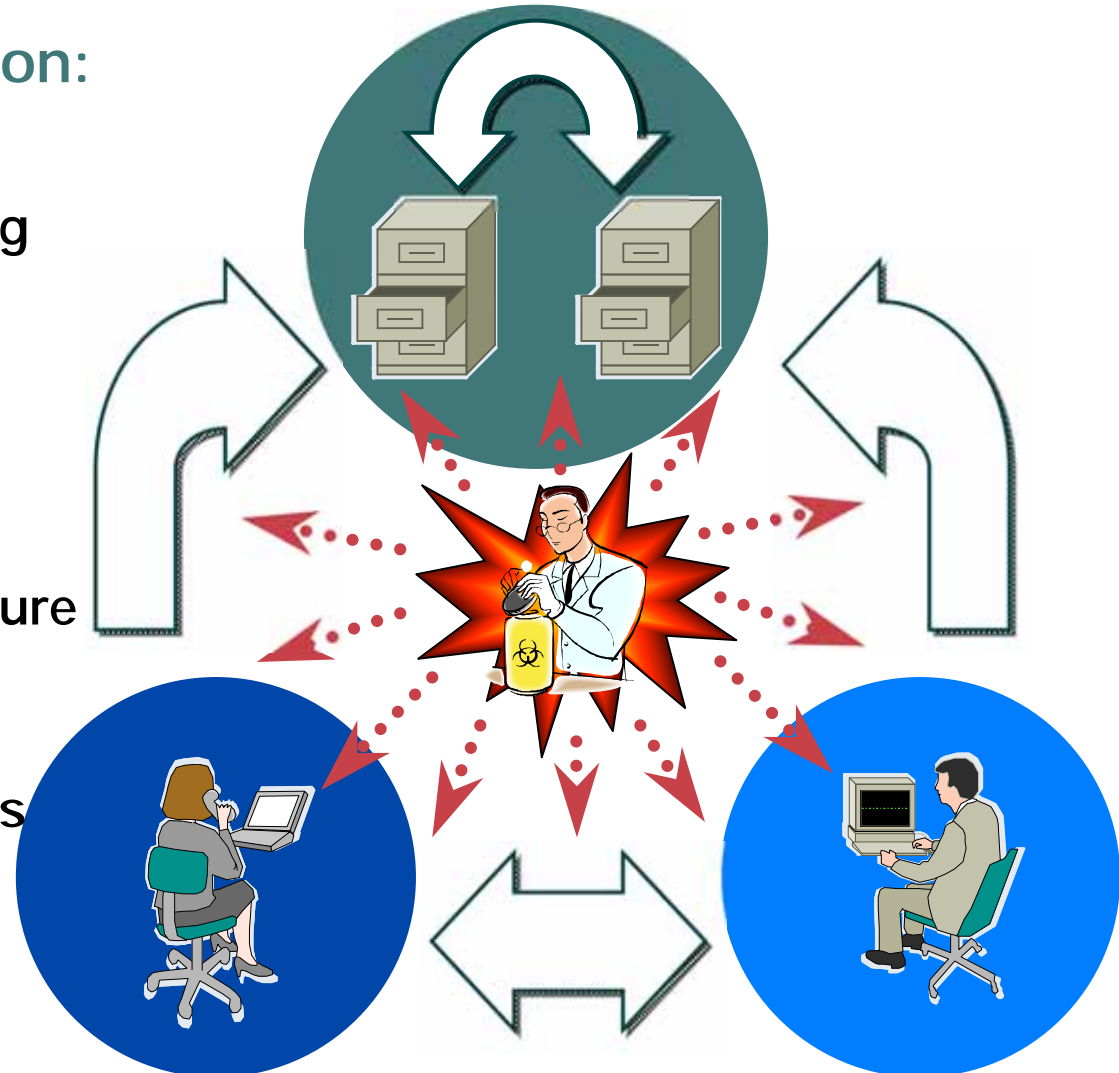
- 1) People Accessing Information Assets
- 2) People Communicating with One and Other
- 3) Machine to Machine Communication

Policy Primitives:

- 1) User / Service Identity
- 2) Machine Security Posture

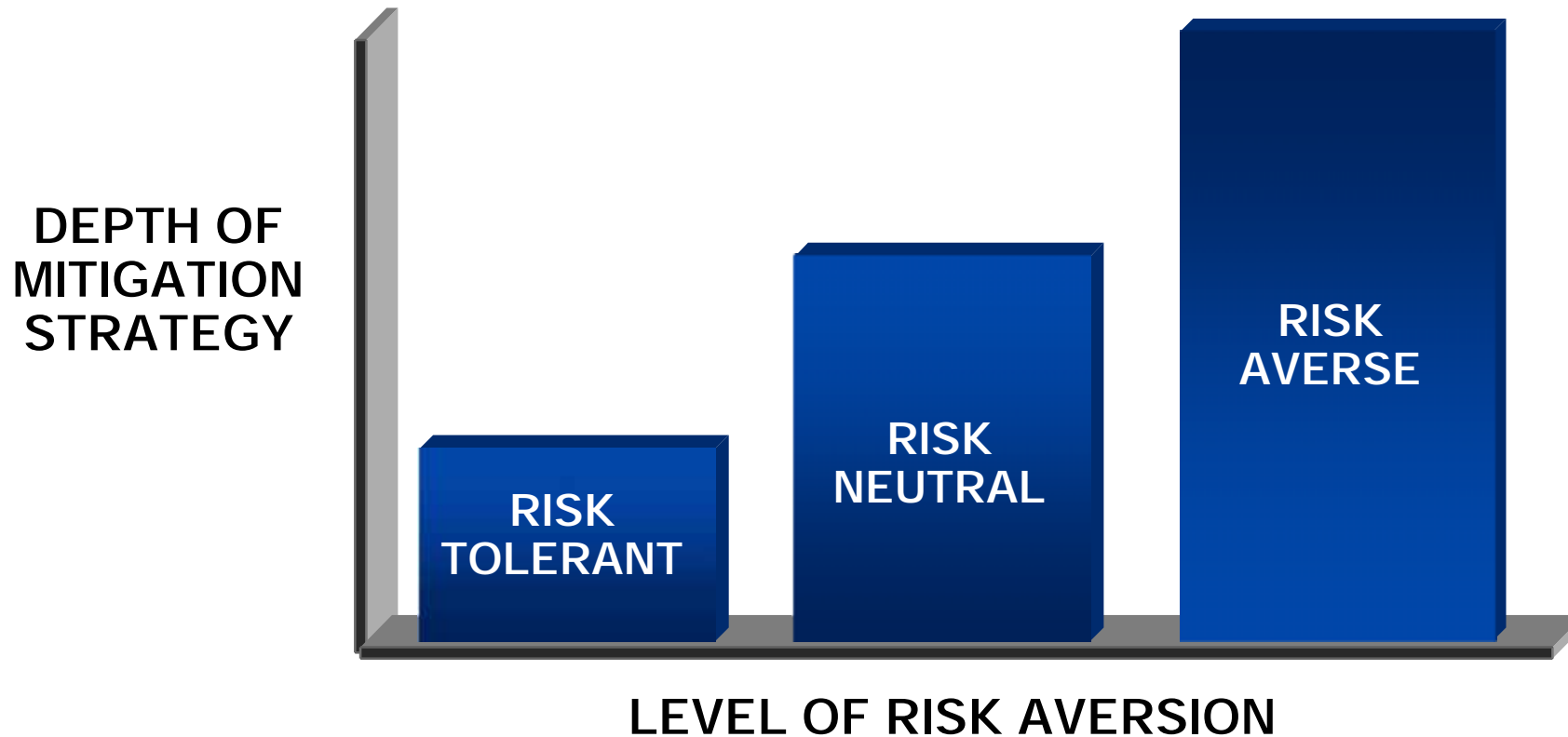
Attack Targets:

- 1) End-points Themselves
- 2) Traffic Leaving
- 3) Traffic in Flight
- 4) Traffic Entering



Introduction: Appropriate Risk Mitigation

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Conclusion: Determine in advance the level of risk appropriate to the business

Worms and Viruses

- **Virus:** Malicious piece of software that typically propagates by attaching itself to some other form of communication. May exploit a vulnerability, but always **requires human intervention** to spread.
- **Worm:** Malicious piece of software that self-propagates. Always exploits a vulnerability to infect, and **does not require human intervention** to spread



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Worms and Viruses: What Happens

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Injection

- Injection code arrives at end point
- Can either self-execute by having another process execute it, or can have a user execute it
- Some are completely self-contained, some need to pull down additional propagation and payload code to operate

Propagation

- Code replicates itself, and begins to propagate to other hosts
- Propagation can be multi-vector (Nimda)
- Mass propagation are typically why the casual user learns of these
- Can cause network-level Denial of Service (Blaster) due to massive consumption of resources

Payload

- Potential for most damaging portion of infection
- Historically, often not malicious (e.g. Slammer)
- Sometimes triggers a reboot (Nachi), often to further embed itself in the system
- Increasingly, used to install backdoors or trojans, and to patch the injection vector

Recent Trends in Worms and Viruses

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- Change in *Purpose*

 - Shift from fame to profit

 - Shift from being noisy to developing an asset with economic value

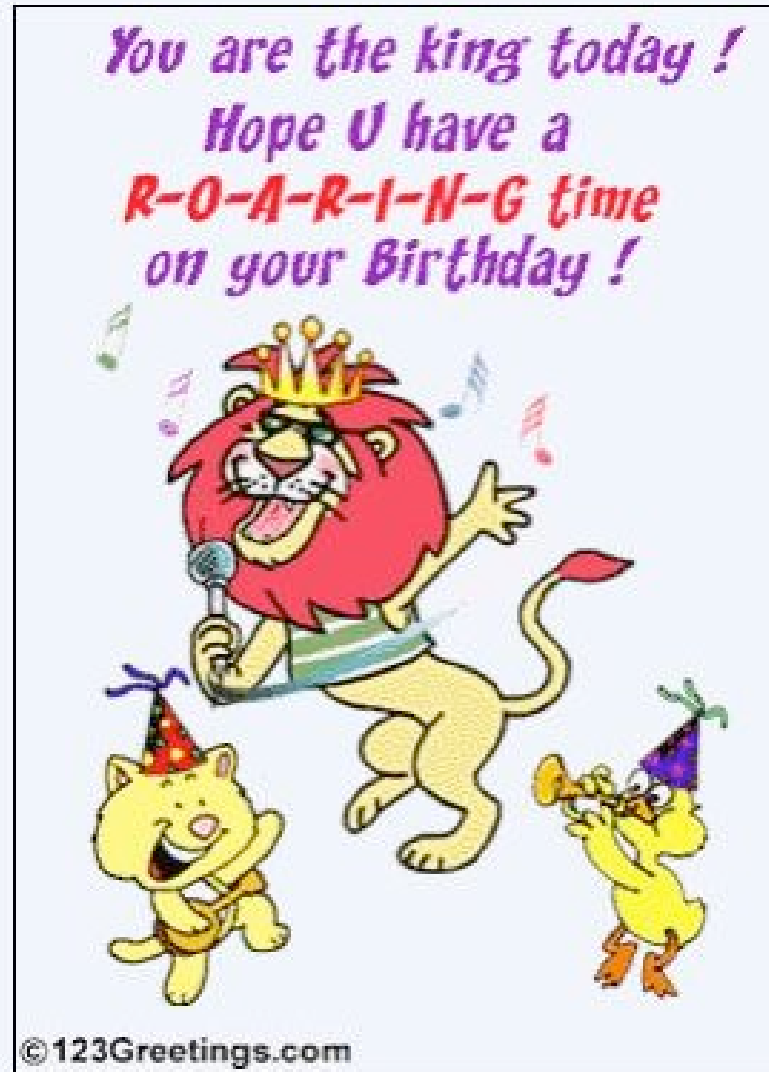
- Change in *Expected Behavior*

 - Less Noisy

 - More Sophisticated

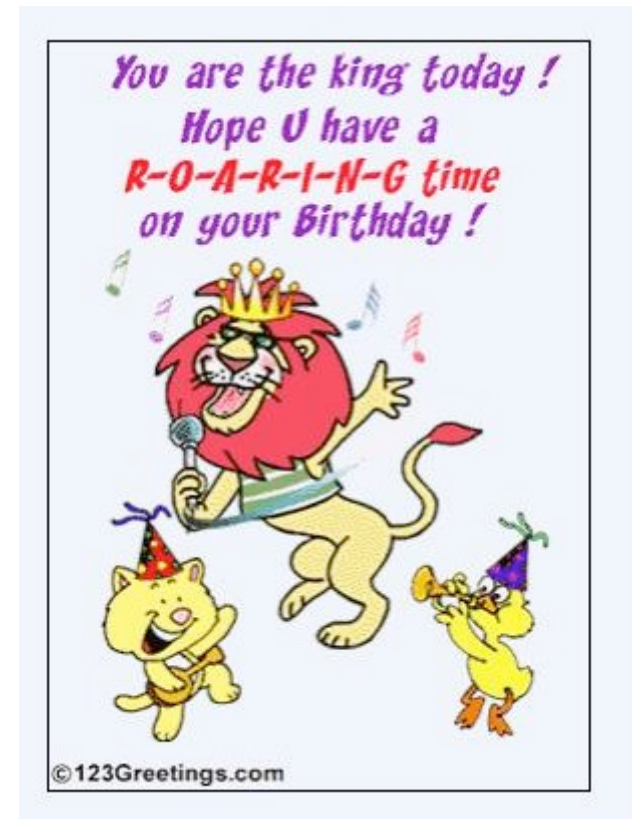
 - More Variants, smaller scope of each

A Birthday Message for You!!!



Anatomy of a Trojan

- Troj/LdPinch-BD is a password-stealing Trojan for Windows platforms
- Troj/LdPinch-BD steals information, including passwords, from various applications. Information stolen may include:
 - computer details (OS version, memory, CPU etc.)
 - available drives (drive letter, type and free space)
 - hostname and IP address
 - Windows folder volume information
 - Passwords and confidential information from 'Protected Storage'
 - POP3 and IMAP server information, usernames and passwords
 - FTP usernames and passwords
 - RAS dial-up settings
- The Trojan may steal information relating to applications including the following:
 - Mirabilis ICQ
 - Opera
 - CuteFTP
 - WS_FTP
 - Windows Commander
 - Total Commander
- The Trojan attempts to download and run further malicious code.



Harvesting and Asset Development

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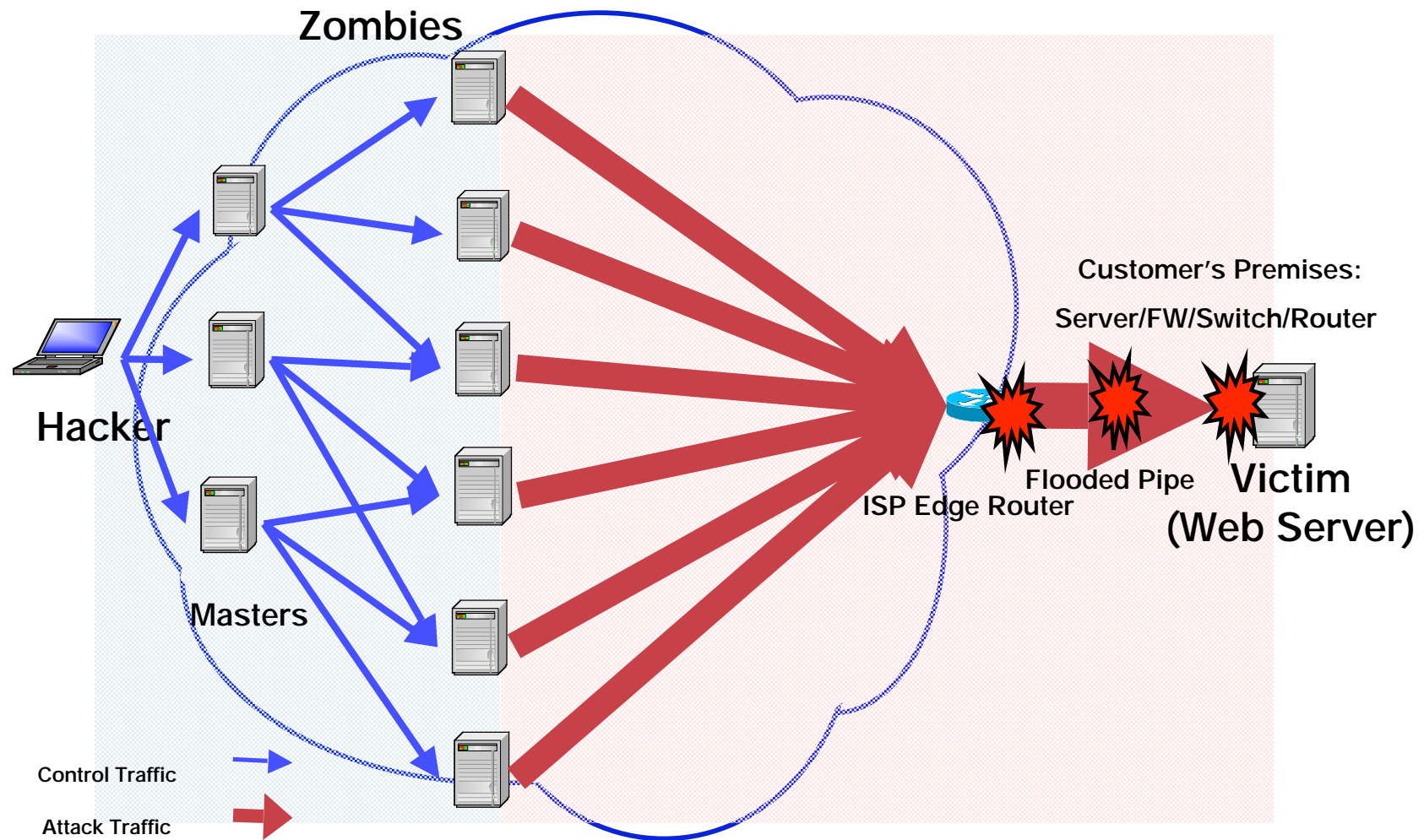
MACHINE HARVESTING

- Creation of “bot-net” networks of thousands of compromised machines
- Used as:
 - Launch points for other attacks
 - Spam-nets (sold or rented to spammers)
 - DDoS For Hire networks (sold or rented to attackers)

INFORMATION HARVESTING

- Harvesting identity information (account names, numbers, passwords, personal information, etc)
- Used for:
 - Direct sale on the open market
 - Compromise other networks
 - Trust-enablement for fraud (traditional cons and new cons such as phishing)

BotNet Operation



A New Class of Threat: Spyware

SPYWARE: malware that obtains or transmits personal information with intent to defraud*

ADWARE: Spyware's slightly more reputable cousin

- Recently, Spyware has exploded as a significant security threat
- Can be thought of as a **"drive up" virus** – skip the propagation step and cut out the middle-man!
- Enhanced Concern: Threat to control of Confidential Information



* From most recent draft of US Federal I-SPY act

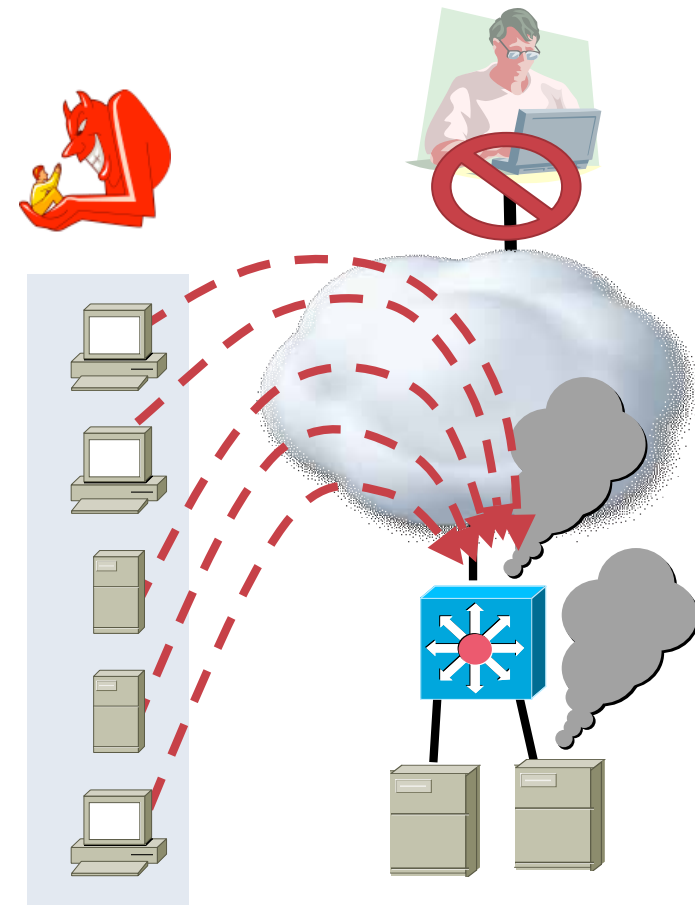
How Spyware/Adware Gets Installed

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- **Bundled in freeware/shareware**
- **Social Engineering**
 - Pestering pop-ups until user clicks "yes"
 - Confusing or buried EULA terms
 - User doesn't read EULA
- **Drive-by Download**
- **Remote installation – no physical access necessary**
- **Via Virus or Trojan**

Denial of Service: A Refresher

- Denial of Service (DoS) attacks' goal is to make service unavailable
- The method may target:
 - A server
 - A network device
 - A network
- Can be associated with:
 - Source IP spoofing
- Collateral Damage includes:
 - Saturation of network forwarding tables
 - Exhausting processing power
 - Clogging links



Denial Of Service: What's Going On

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- **Basic Denial of Service**

 - Often L3/L4 based; SYN attacks common; spoofing common

 - Relatively easy to block sources and stop

- **Distributed Denial of Service**

 - Similar to a basic DoS in approach, but sources appear "random"

 - Tens of thousands of broad-band connected machines in a bot-net make it extremely difficult to track

 - Often stopped by closing down control channels

- **Emerging Threats: Application-layer Denial of Service**

 - Email DoS

 - Web Front-end DoS

 - Web-Services and XML DoS

 - IP Telephony DoS

DDoS For Hire, and DoS Extortion

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- **DDoS For Hire:** Criminal service in which for a nominal fee, a site of your choosing can be taken offline
- **DoS Extortion:** Criminal enterprise in which web-sites must pay a protection fee to avoid being taken offline, typically during a critical business period

US credit card firm fights DDoS attack

US credit card processing firm Authorize.Net is fighting a sustained distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack that has left it struggling to stay online.

Glen Zimmerman, a spokesman for Authorize.Net's parent company, Lightbridge, told the Boston Globe that the attacks followed an extortion letter. Lightbridge said it was working with law enforcements officials to track down the attackers.

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2004/09/23/authorize_ddos_attack/

ONLINE EXTORTION

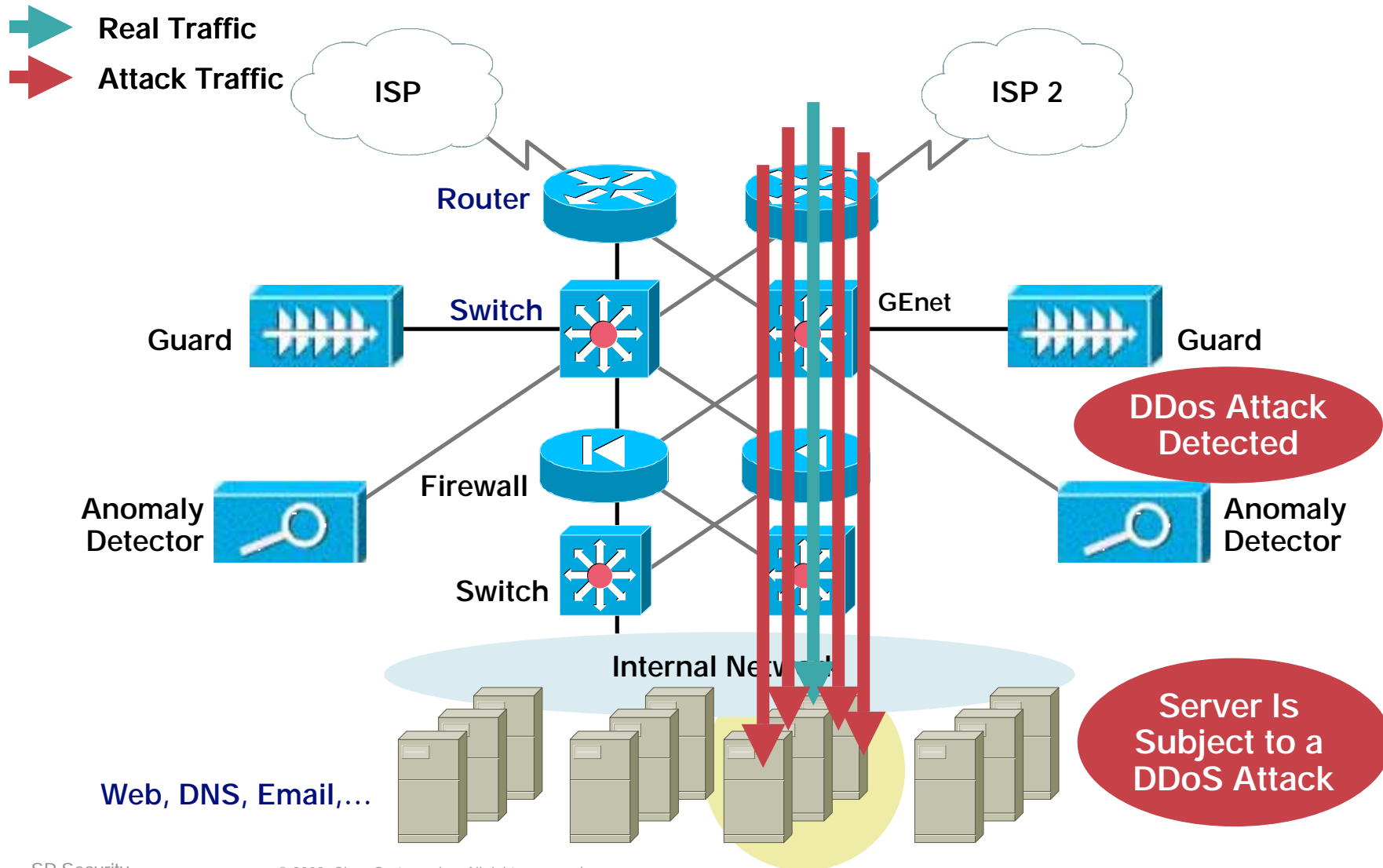
How a Bookmaker and a Whiz Kid Took On an Extortionist — and Won



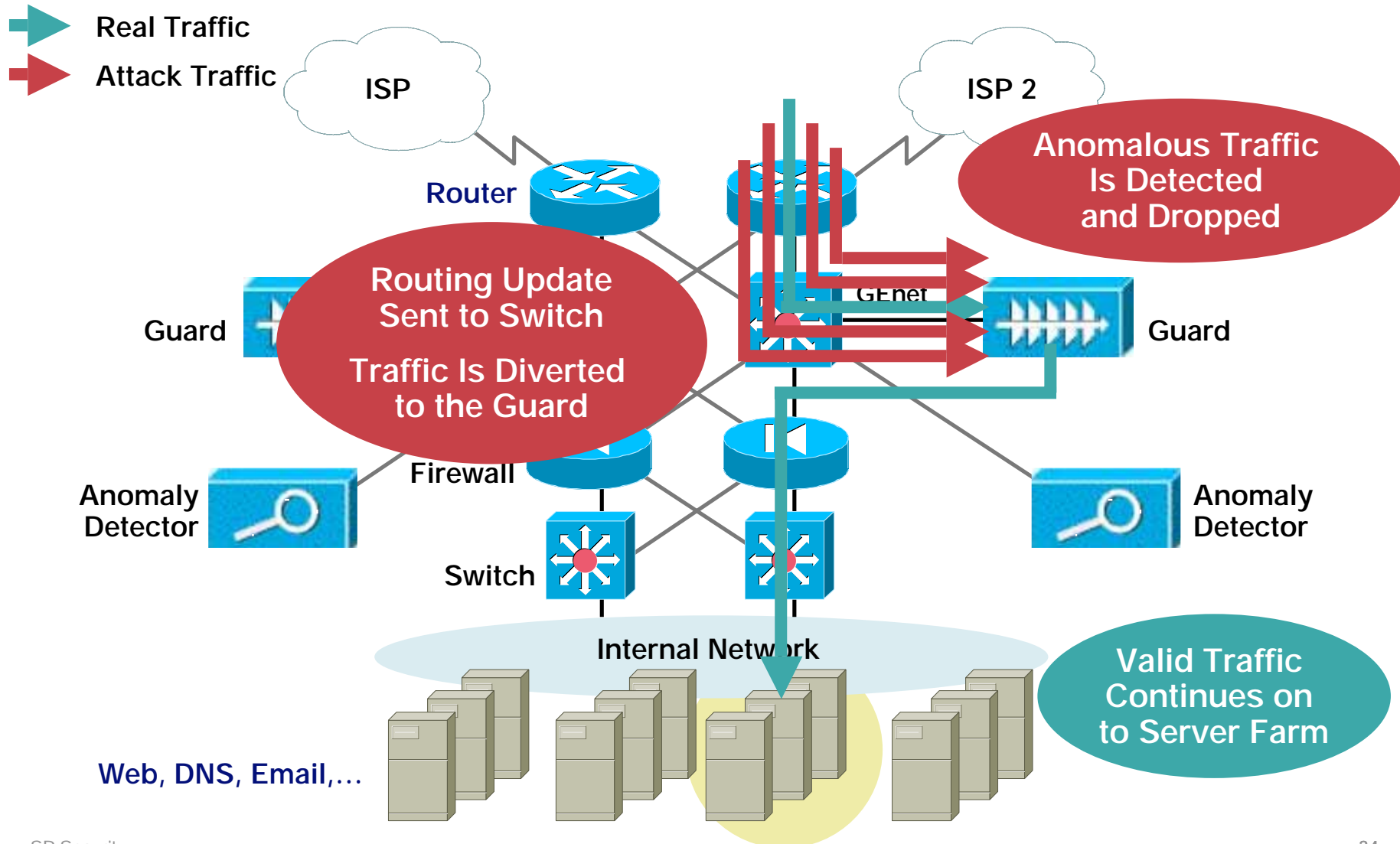
Facing an online extortion threat, Mickey Richardson bet his Web-based business on a networking whiz from Sacramento who first beat back the bad guys, then helped the cops nab them. If you collect revenue online, you'd better read this.

<http://www.csosonline.com/read/050105/extortion.html>

Solutions: Basic DoS and DDoS



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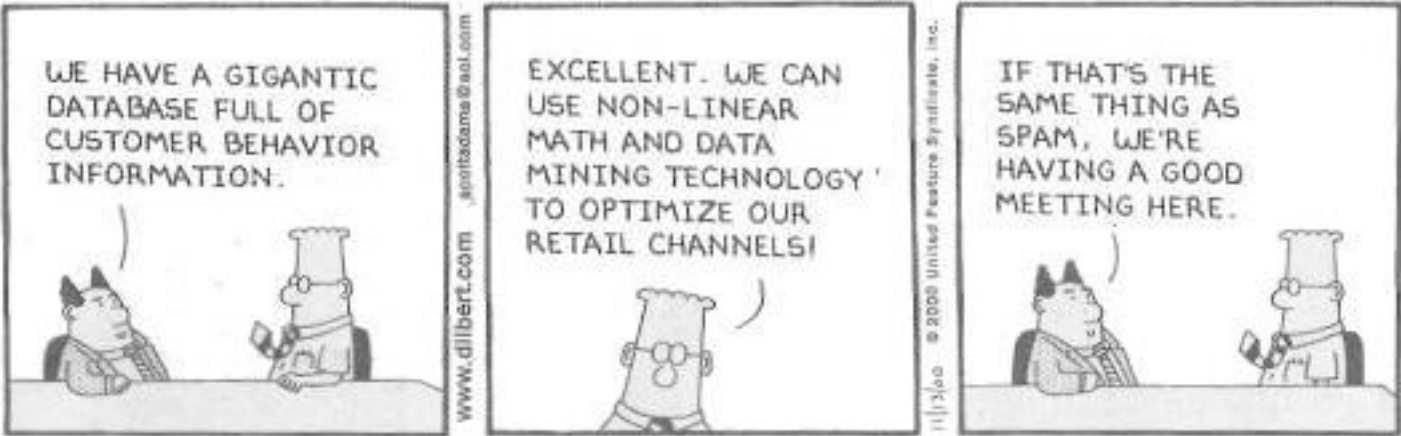
Further Solutions: Denial of Service

- Denial of Service likely to continue to be a problem for a number of years
 - Economic incentives drive behavior
- Application Denial of Service a key piece of an Application Security strategy
 - Look for solutions with real DoS protective capabilities
- Partnerships are a Must
 - Enterprises must work with their Providers to set up response plans
- Incident Response a Must
 - Have a plan before your attacked. DoS attacks are very visible, very quickly. Timeliness of response is key

Messaging Security

- **SPAM / SPIM / SPIT**
 - Nuisance / Productivity Drain / DoS or Cost Imposition
 - Vector for other Frauds
- **Phishing / Pharming**
- **Solutions:**
 - IIM (Identified Internet Mail) spec
 - 2-factor auth for financials
 - Uniform policy control: Message Hygiene solutions;
Endpoint Posture Compliance

SPAMity Calamity



SPAMity Calamity

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- **Evolution of SPAM:**
 - Nuisance
 - Productivity Drain
 - Offensive Content
 - Vector for Fraud
- **Dominant Source Today: Bot-nets**
- **SPAM is very much an unsolved problem**

AP Associated Press

Trial Shows How Spammers Operate

LEESBURG, Va. Nov 14, 2004

Trial of Prolific Spammer Shows How He Sent 10 Million E-Mails a Day, Made \$750,000 a Month

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory?id=252318>

The Changing Nature of Spam

- **SPAM explosion:**
“Old Dog, New Tricks”
 - SPIM—Spam over Instant Messaging
 - SPIT—Spam over IP Telephony
- **Rise of Crime:**
 - Fraud as a rising threat
 - Phishing
- **Criminalization of Spam:**
 - CAN-SPAM act in US



Introduction to Phishing

Phishing Basics

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From: Citi [mailto:users-support44@citibank.com]
Sent: 19 May, 2004 5:45 AM
To: @cisco.com
Subject: Citibank's official notice

The Citi logo consists of the word "citi" in a bold, lowercase, blue sans-serif font. A small registered trademark symbol (®) is positioned to the upper right of the letter "i".

Dear client of the Citi,

As the Technical service of bank have been currently updating the software, we kindly ask you to follow the reference given below to confirm your data, otherwise your access to the system may be blocked.

https://web.da-us.citibank.com/signin/scripts/login2/user_setup.jsp

We are grateful for your cooperation.

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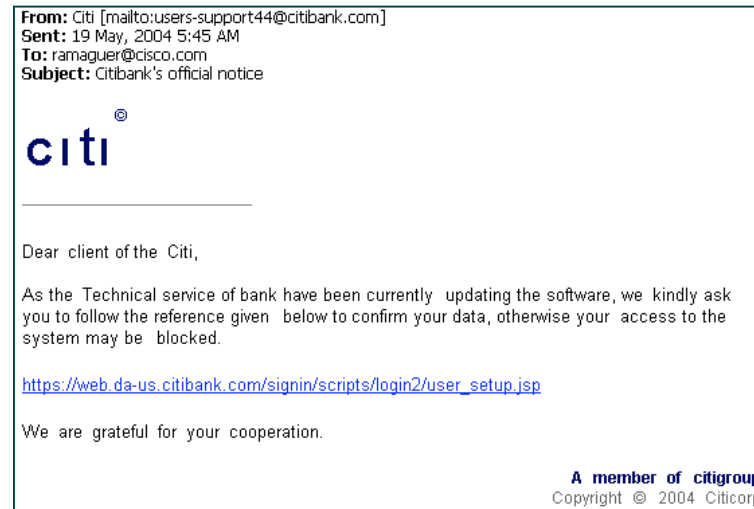
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PHISHING:

Email Schemes, Called “Phishing” or “Carding”, Are an Attempt to Trick Consumers into Disclosing Personal and/or Financial Information; the Emails Appear to Come from Companies with Whom Consumers May Regularly Conduct Business; Often Times the Email Threatens Termination of Accounts Unless Consumers Update Billing Information

Source:

www.atg.wa.gov/consumer/idprivacy/phishing.shtm

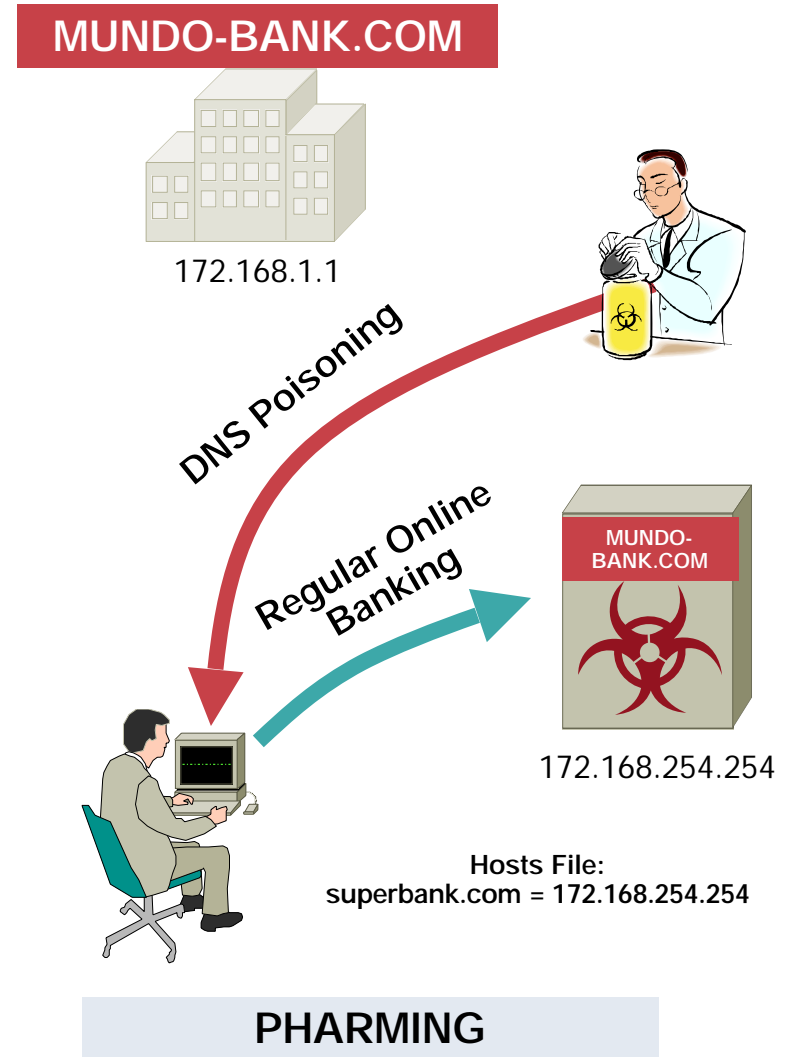
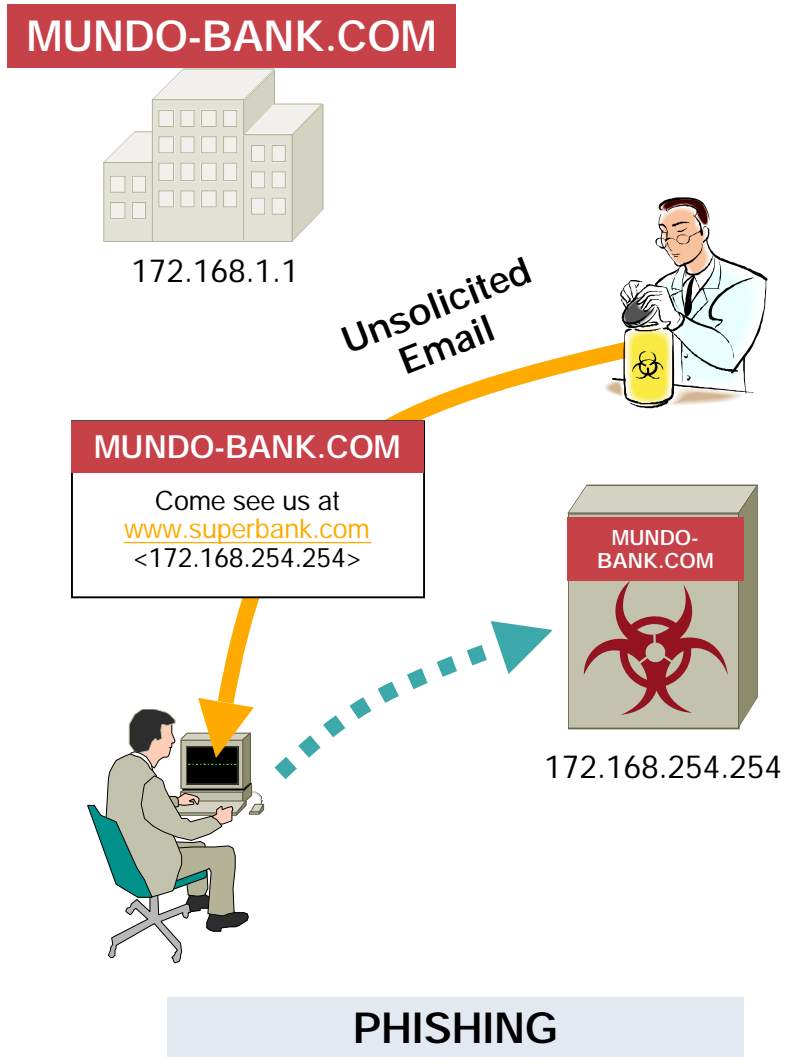


In this Example, the Link Really Leads Through to:

<http://web.da-us.citibank.com.userdll.com:4903/c/index.htm>

CONCLUSION: Unsolicited Email Can Be More than Just an Annoyance

New Threats: Phishing's Cousin—Pharming



The Port 80 Problem

Opportunistic Applications Overloading Open Ports

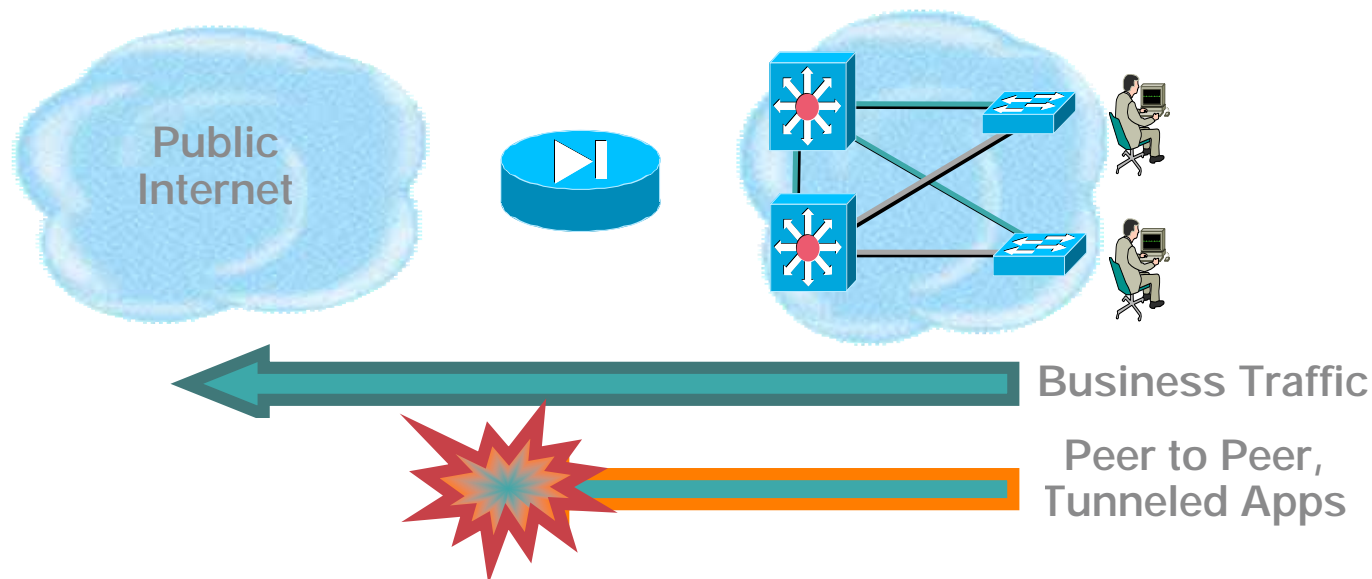
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Port Overloading enables violation of Security Policy:

Opportunistic applications tunnel through open outbound ports. Legacy firewalls cannot discern legitimate from illegitimate applications

Opportunistic Applications:

Peer-to-peer Apps
Instant Messaging
Remote PC Access Apps
Covert Channels



Some Solutions:


- Advanced firewalls can distinguish between applications by protocol semantics and enforce security policy

The Port 443 (SSL) Problem...

“Encrypted Port 80”

- Data confidentiality extends to network devices as well...
- Can verify compliance with SSL protocol spec, but beyond that, very difficult to enforce policy

- Some Solutions:**
- Protocol compliance checking
 - Desktop application usage policy enforcement tools
 - Destination filtering via domain/URL filtering
 - Close 443 to all but well-defined business traffic

oddball 

We're planning on pricing it less than \$4000. I thought you'd find that interesting...

S: 10.123.234.17
D: 123.234.123.234
Port: 443

Contents:
100010111010100110010
101100110101010001101
011010011010111001010

What is this?

Valid e-commerce?
Acceptable-use violations?
Covert channel?
Outbound attack?



Securing Web Services

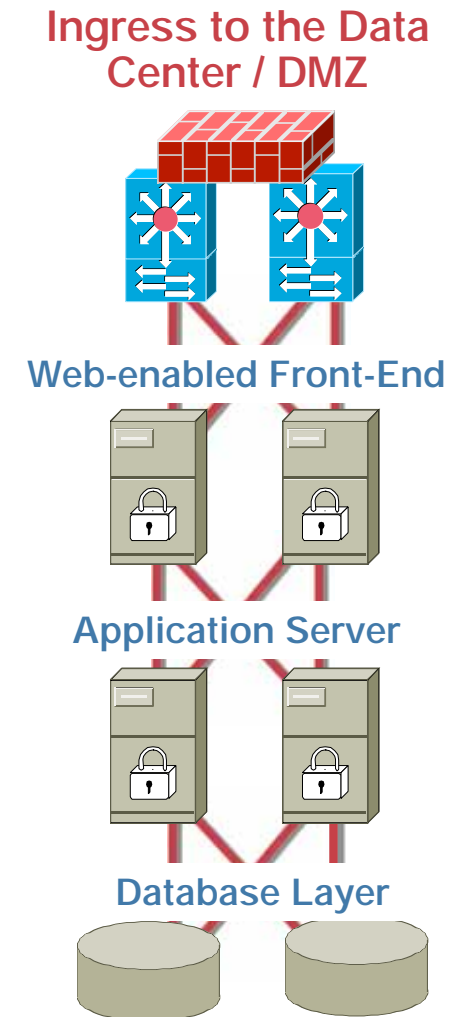


Web Services and XML Security

- Exposing the application layer to external entities for the first time
- Introduces new classes of credentials for access control
- Introduces new classes of attacks: X-malware, XML DoS, XPATH injection, etc.
- Allows new services for confidentiality and integrity: Field-level encryption, document signing, transformation

Some Solutions:

- Secure Coding!
- Schema validation toolsets
- Attack prevention technologies

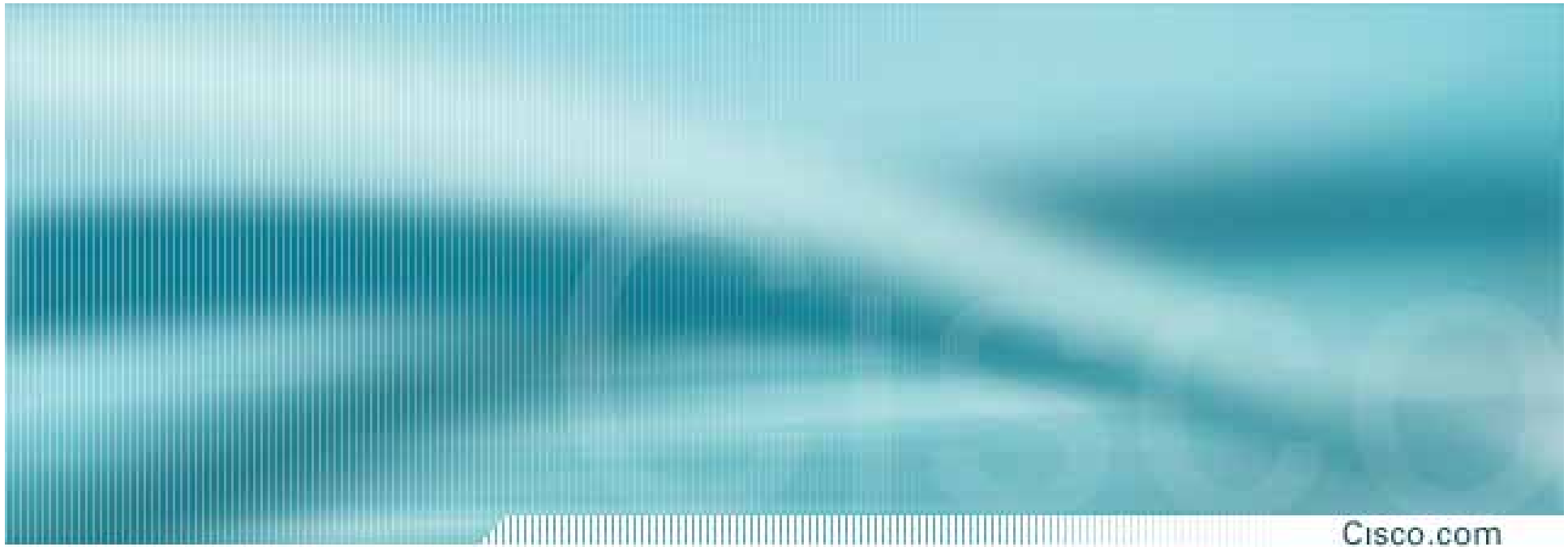


Social Engineering

- **Social Engineering Attacks: Attacks that compromise the “human” elements of business processing**

Assuming an identity to exploit trust relationships

- **These forms of attack have been around forever**
- **Not an emerging threat in and of itself, but a constant “force multiplier” on new threats**

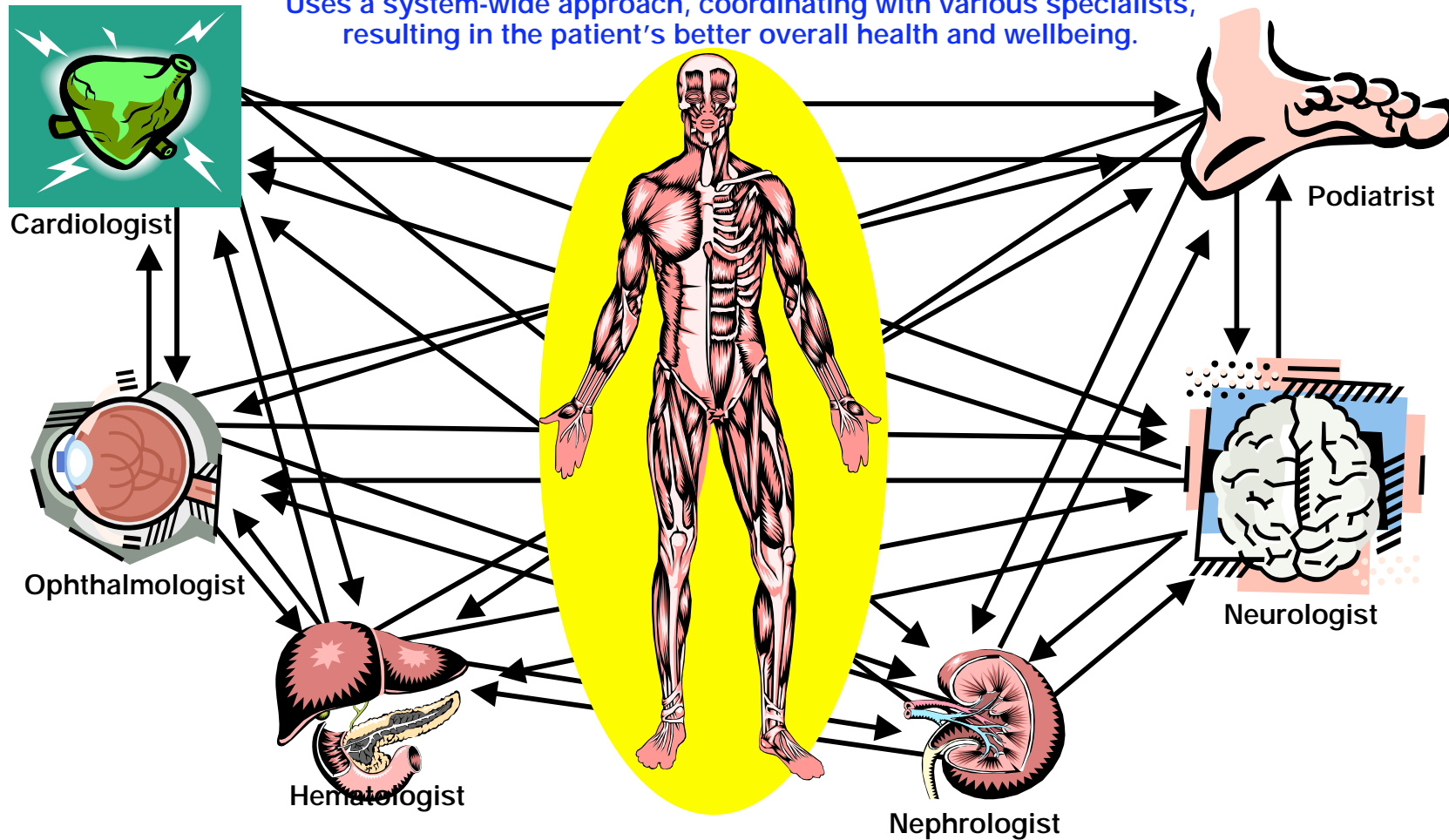


The First Step - Telemetry

Holistic Approach to System-Wide Telemetry

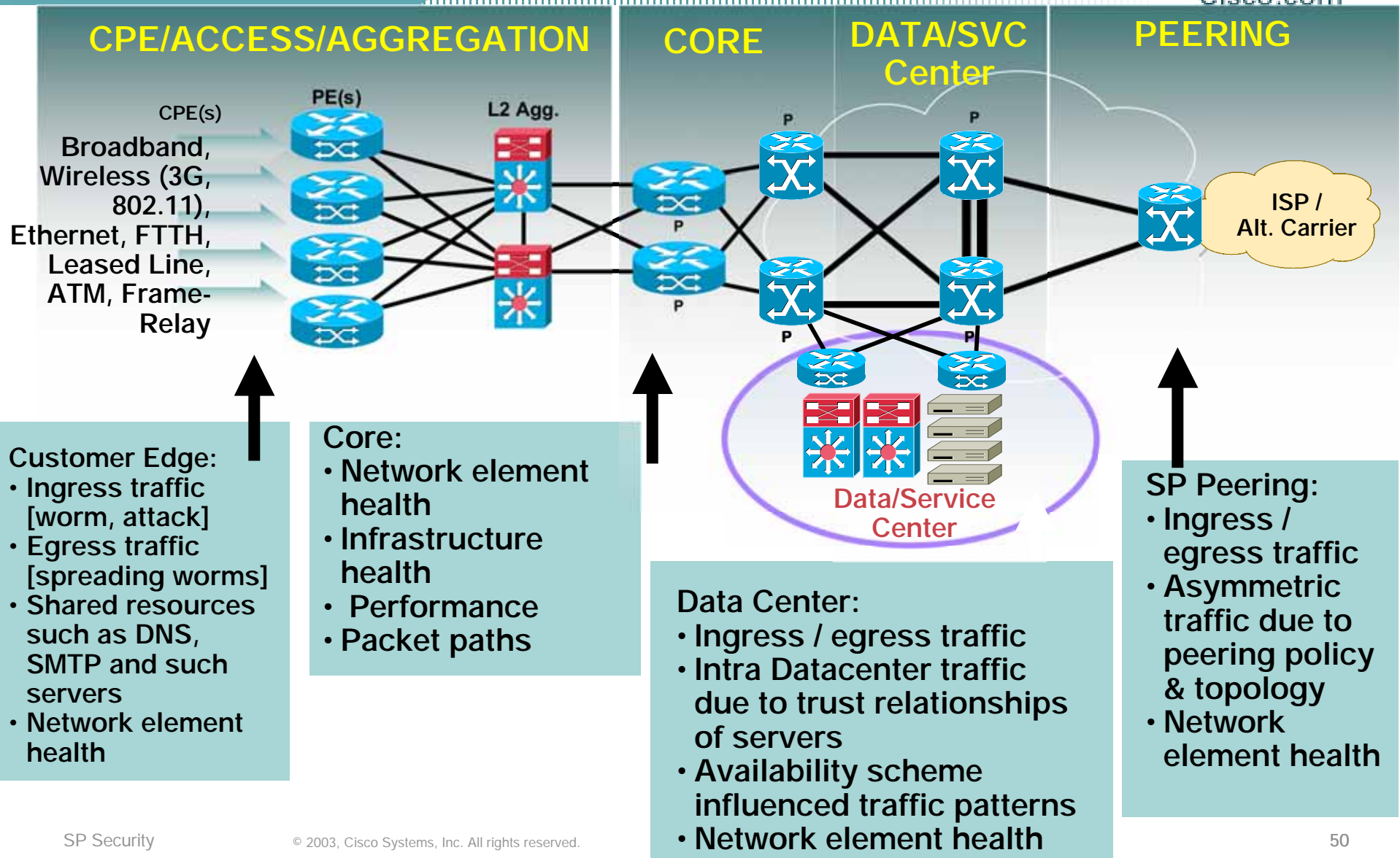
Holistic Approach to Patient Care

Uses a system-wide approach, coordinating with various specialists, resulting in the patient's better overall health and wellbeing.



Holistic Approach to System-Wide Telemetry (Cont.)

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What Is One Listening to?

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- **Ingress traffic flow**
- **Egress traffic flow**
- **Network element health**
 - Resources such as CPU, memory, etc.
 - # flow to build baseline and detect anomaly
 - Top talkers
 - Open ports – services etc.
- **Shared services**
 - DNS, SMTP, Availability related services, etc.

Understand the Concept of Data Gathering

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Risks and threats are **NOT**
prevalent in one place **ONLY**...



Need to watch everywhere to avoid
being eaten by thousand turkeys...



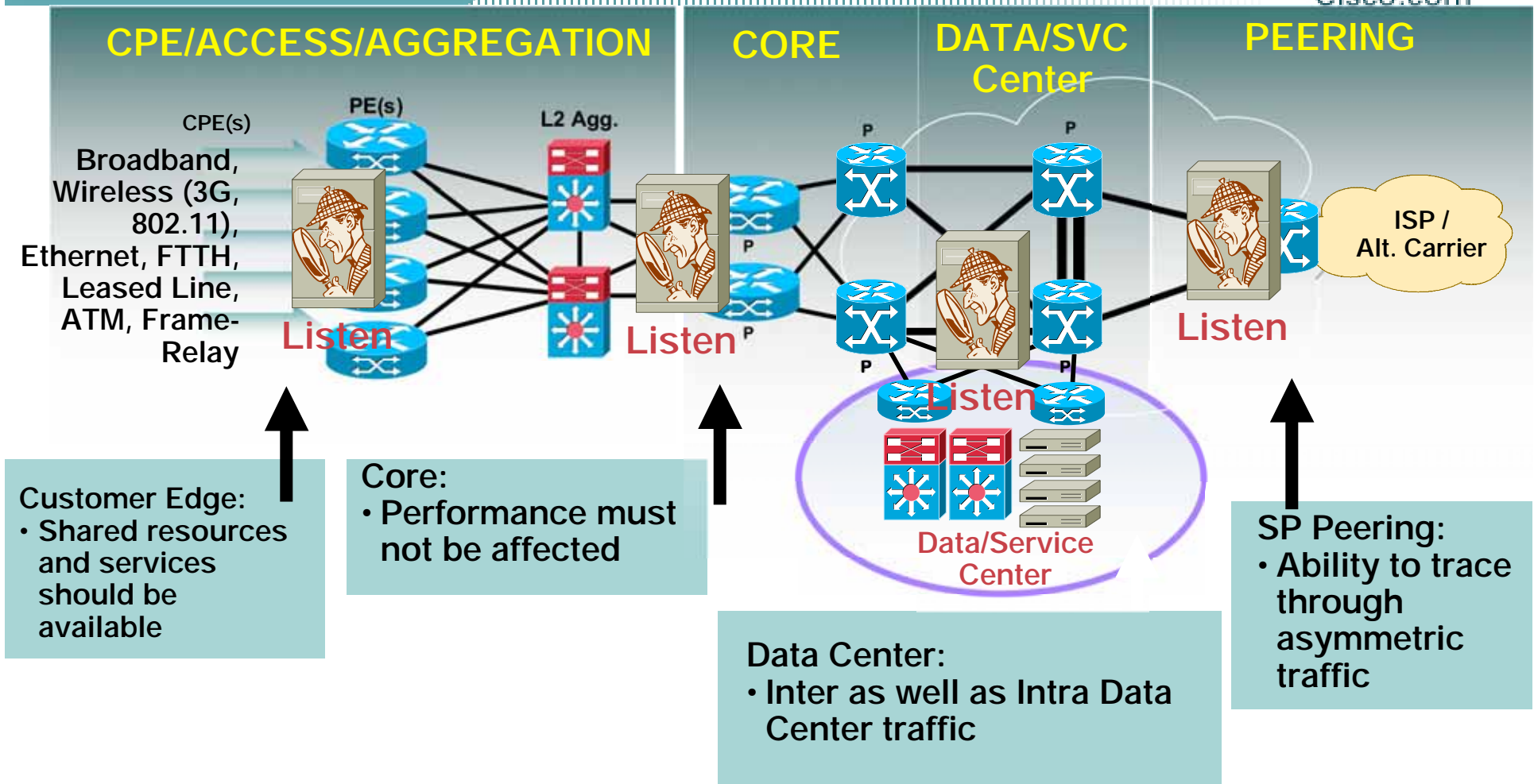
- Listening to a network element
 - Per device listening
 - Local data provide information about local threats
- Listening to Many
 - Correlation is a **MUST**
 - Intelligent analysis is a **MUST**



Listen

Holistic Approach to System-Wide Telemetry

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Network Telemetry: Tools, Techniques and Protocols

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How to Gather Data or Information?

- **Proactive Telemetry**
 - NetFlow
 - SNMP
 - RMON
 - Syslog
 - Network element health
 - BGP
 - DNS
- **Telemetry During the Incident**
 - Packet Capture
 - show commands
 - Network element health
 - Syslog

Netflow : What Is a Flow?

- Defined by seven unique keys:

Source IP address

Destination IP address

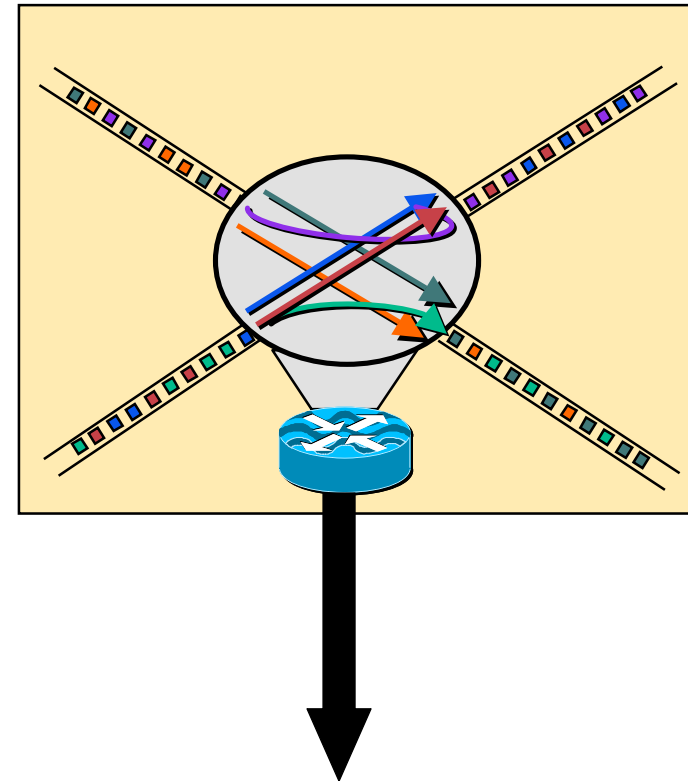
Source port

Destination port

Layer 3 protocol type

TOS byte (DSCP)

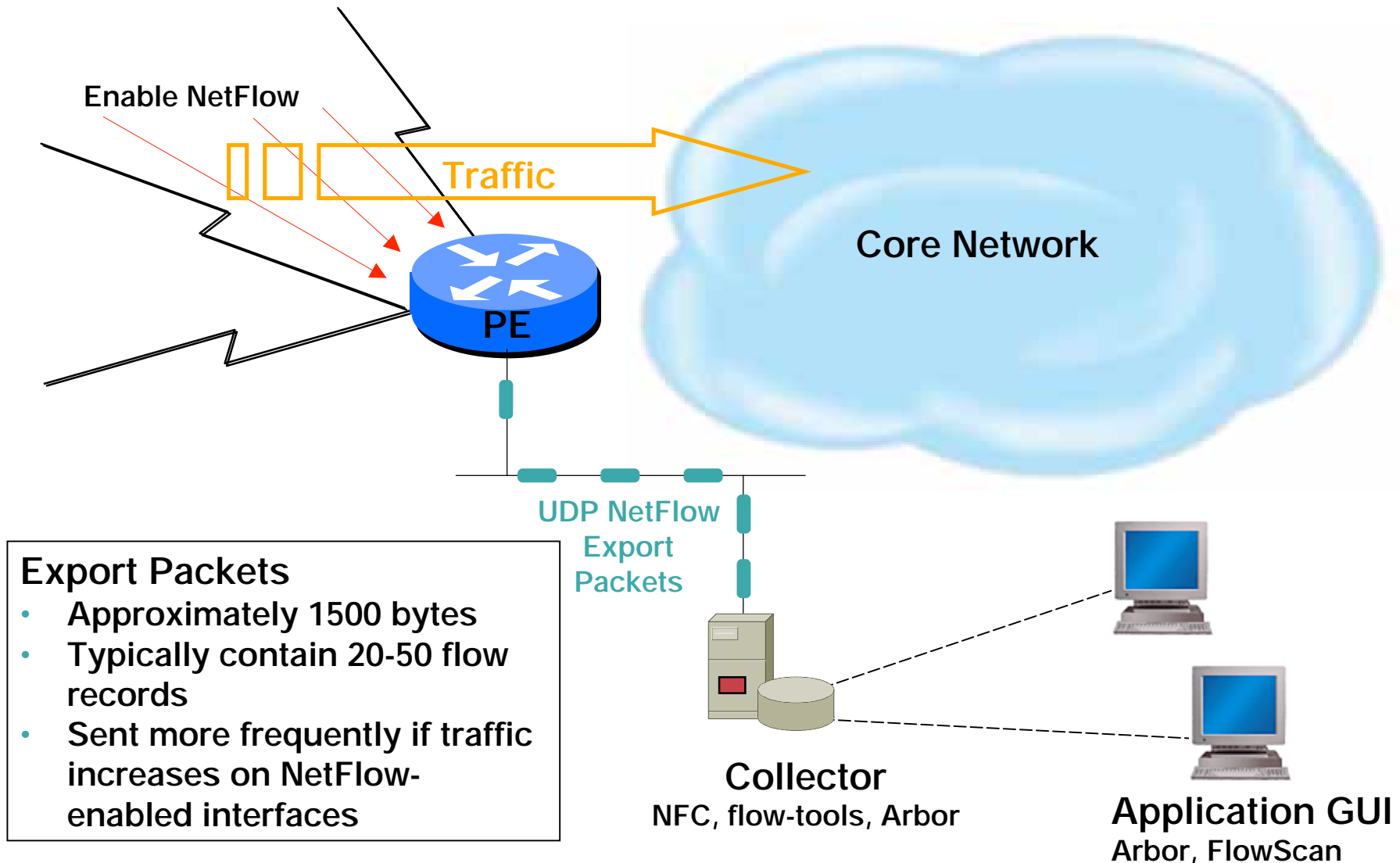
Input logical interface
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Exported Data

Netflow : Creating Export Packets

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Netflow : Key Concept—NetFlow Scalability

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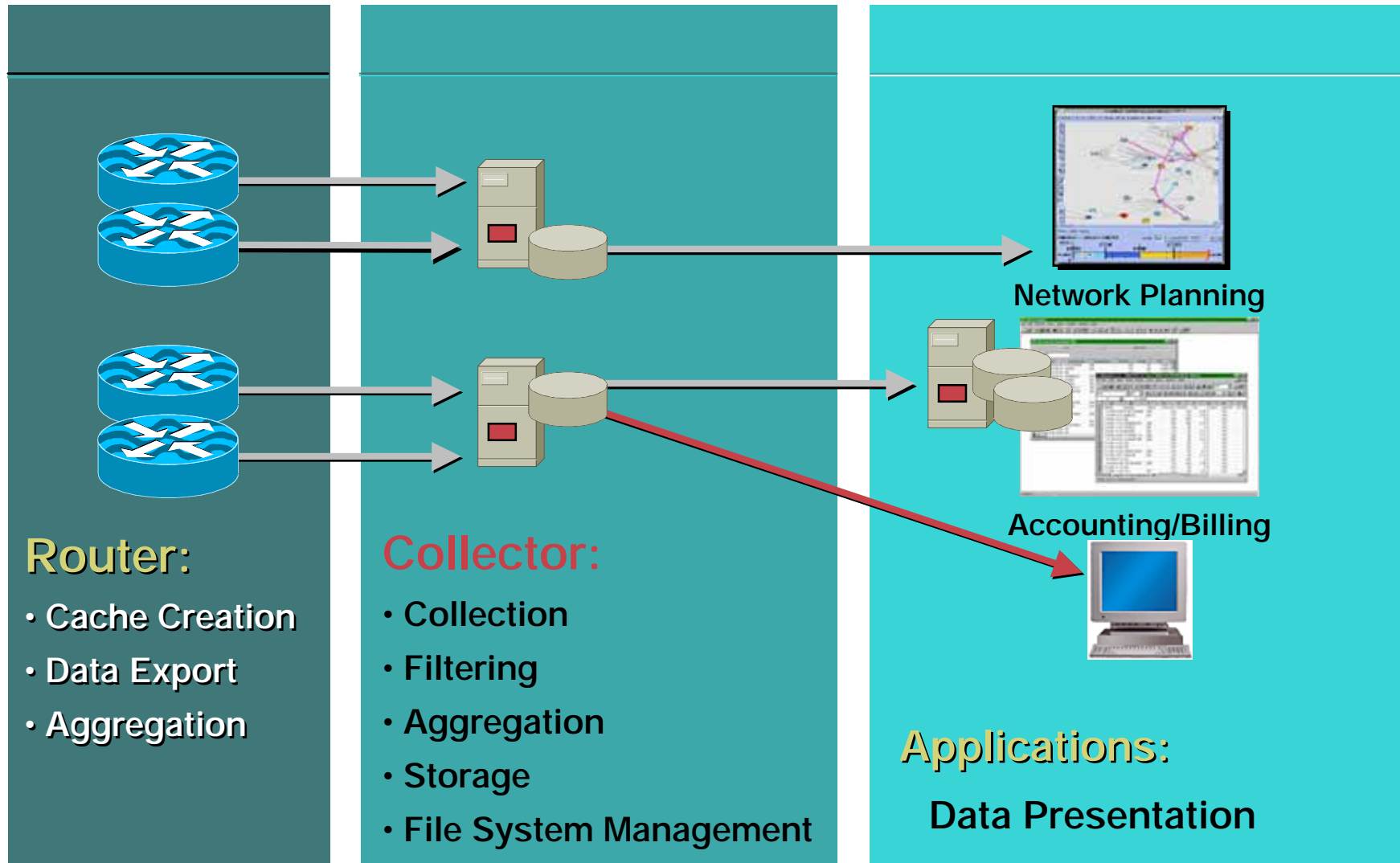
- Packet capture is like a *wiretap*
- NetFlow is like a *phone bill*
- This level of granularity allows NetFlow to scale for very large amounts of traffic

We can learn a lot from studying the phone bill!

Who's talking to whom, over what protocols & ports, for how long, at what speed, for what duration, etc.


NetFlow is a form of *telemetry* pushed from the routers/switches - each one can be a sensor!

NetFlow Infrastructure



Where to Deploy NetFlow?

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Network Layer	Access	Distribution	Core	Distribution	Access
					
Applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack Detection • User (IP) monitoring • Application monitoring 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Billing • Chargeback • AS Peer Monitoring • Attack Detection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic Engineering • Traffic Analysis • Attack Detection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Billing • Chargeback • AS Peer Monitoring • Attack Detection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack Detection • User (IP) monitoring • Application monitoring
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Principal NetFlow Benefits

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SERVICE PROVIDER

- Peering arrangements
- SLA VPN user reporting
- Usage-based billing
- DoS/worm detection
- Traffic engineering
- Troubleshooting

ENTERPRISE

- Internet access monitoring (protocol distribution, traffic origin/destination)
- Associate cost of IT to departments
- More scalable than RMON
- DoS/worm detection
- Policy compliance monitoring
- Troubleshooting

Open Source Tools for NetFlow Analysis —The OSU Flow-Tools

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- Open source NetFlow collection and retrieval tools
- Developed and maintained by Mark Fullmer, available from <http://www.splintered.net/sw/flow-tools/>
- Runs on common *NIX platforms (Linux, FreeBSD, Mac OS/X, Solaris, etc.)
- Command-line tools allow for very display/sorting of specific criteria (source/dest IP, source/dest ASN, protocol, port, etc.)
- Data can be batched and imported into database such as Oracle, MySQL, Postgres, etc.
- Can be combined with other tools to provide visualization of traffic patterns
- Many other useful features - check it out today!

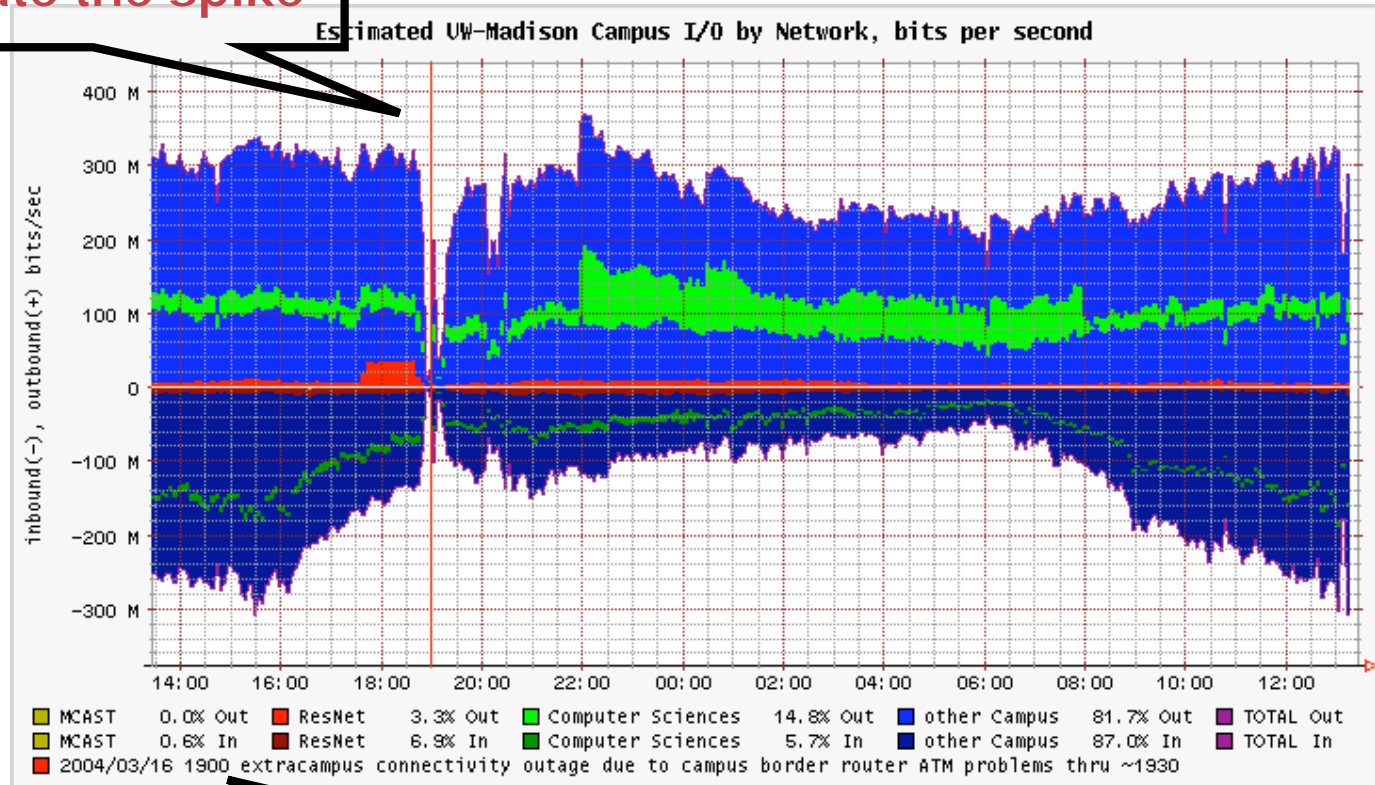
Open Source Tools for NetFlow Analysis Visualization—FlowScan

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- Open source NetFlow graphing/visualization tools
- Developed and maintained by Dave Plonka, available from <http://net.doit.wisc.edu/~plonka/FlowScan/>
- Runs on common *NIX platforms (Linux, FreeBSD, Mac OS/X, Solaris, etc.)
- Makes use of NetFlow data collected via flow-tools to build traffic graphs
- Top-talkers by subnet, other types of reports supported
- Makes use of RRDTool for graphing
- Add-ons such as JKFlow module allow more detailed graphing

Open Source Tools for NetFlow Analysis Visualization—FlowScan (Cont.)

Investigate the spike

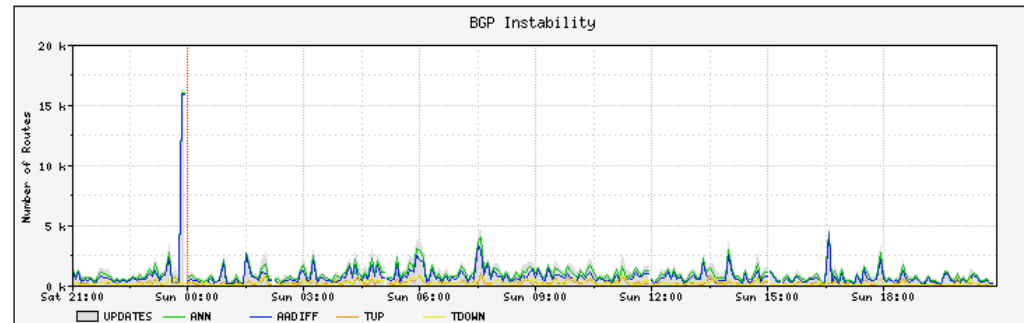
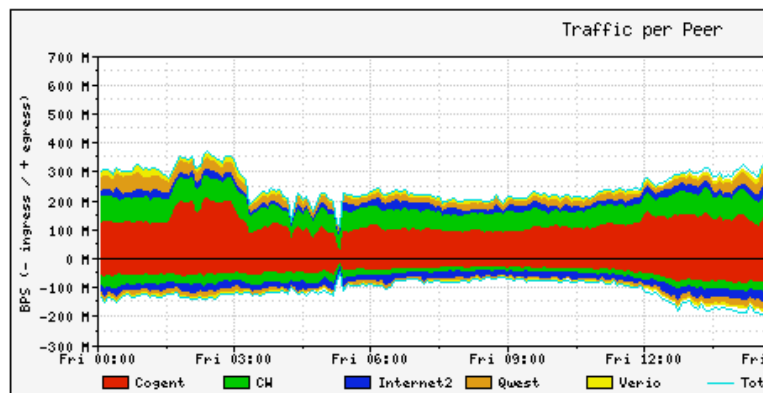
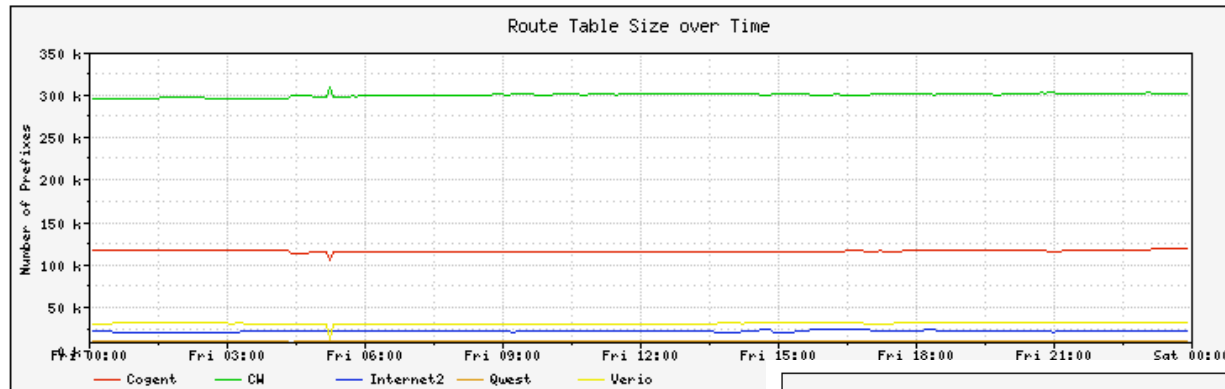


Source: University of Wisconsin

An identified cause of the outage

Netflow : Coupling Control and Data Planes

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BGP Instability

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Current	Average	Max
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ANN	219	950	16,048
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AADIFF	140	723	15,832
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TUP	75	212	991
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	TDOWN	54	208	929
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITH	54	208	929
<input type="checkbox"/>	AADUP	4	14	250

Clear All

Update

SNMP

- **SNMP = Simple Network Management Protocol**
- **Canonical method of obtaining real-time information from network devices**
- **SNMPv3** provides authentication, encryption
- **MIBs support polling of statistics ranging from interface bandwidth to CPU utilization to chassis temperature, etc.**
- **Both a 'pull' model for statistical polling and a 'push' model for trap generation based upon events such as link up/down**
- **Many open-source and commercial collection systems, visualization tools**
- **Easiest way to get into profiling of general network characteristics**

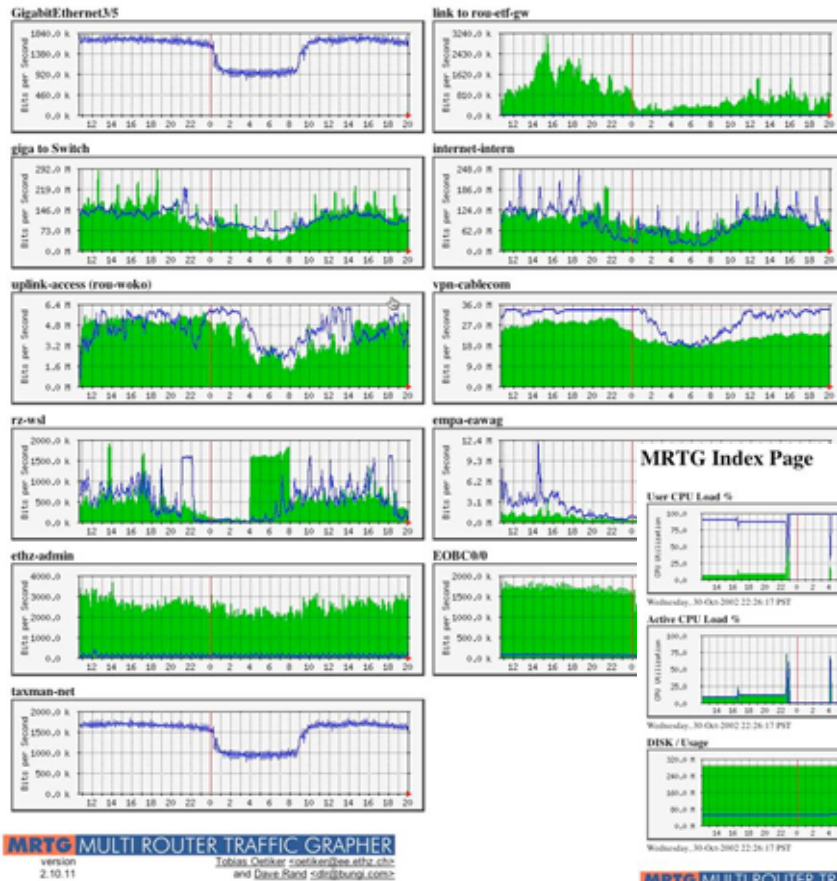
Displaying SNMP Data with MRTG

- MRTG—the Multi Router Traffic Grapher
- Open source SNMP visualization toolset developed by Tobi Oetiker, available from <http://people.ee.ethz.ch/~oetiker/webtools/mrtg/>
- Long track-record - (in general use since 1995)
- Can be used to graph router/switch data, host performance info from systems running SNMP agents, etc. (generates HTML w/PNG images)
- Runs on Linux, FreeBSD, Mac OS/X, Solaris, other *NIX, Windows
- Written in Perl, has its own SNMP implementation

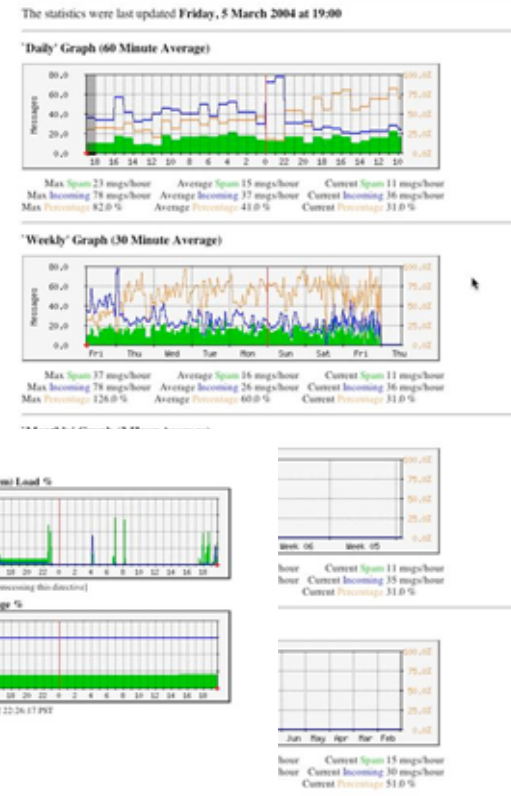
Powerful Visualization of SNMP with MRTG

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MRTG Index Page

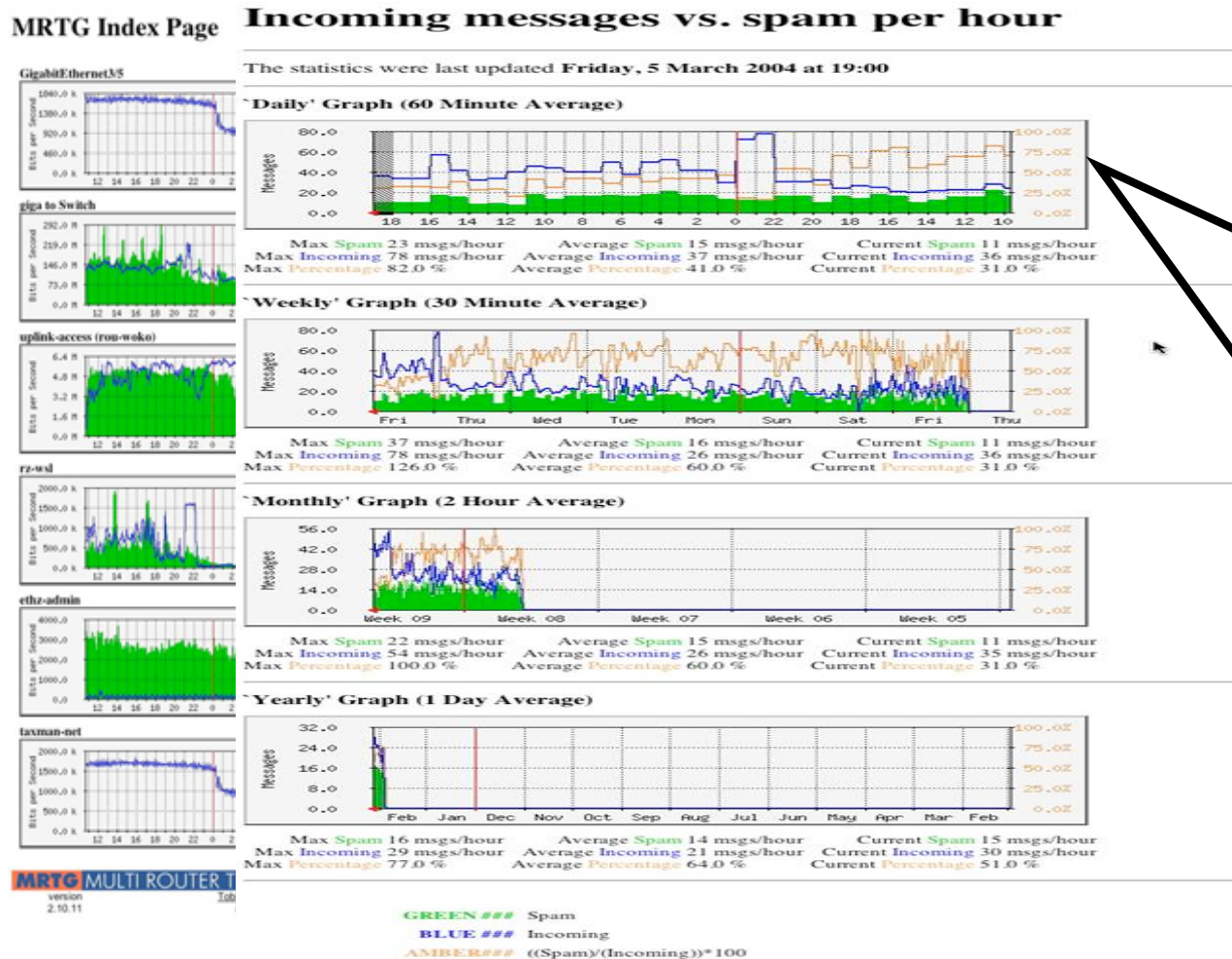


Incoming messages vs. spam per hour



Source: mrtg.org

Powerful Visualization of SNMP with MRTG (Cont.)



Various type of statistics gathering and display

Source: mrtg.org

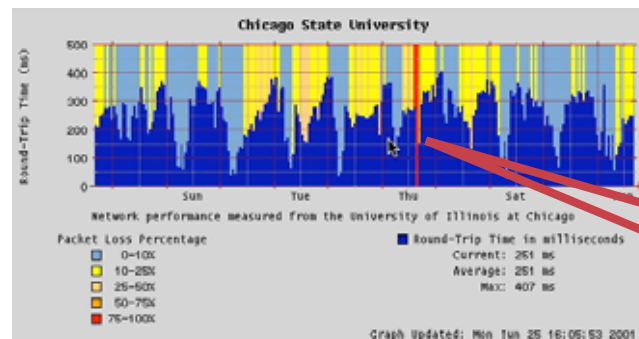
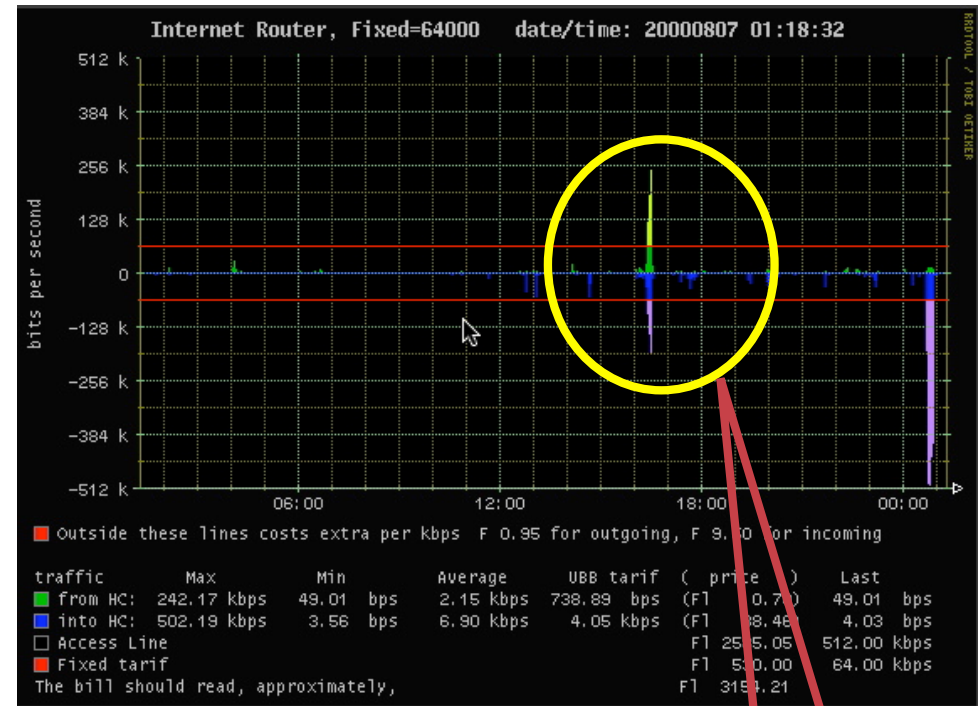
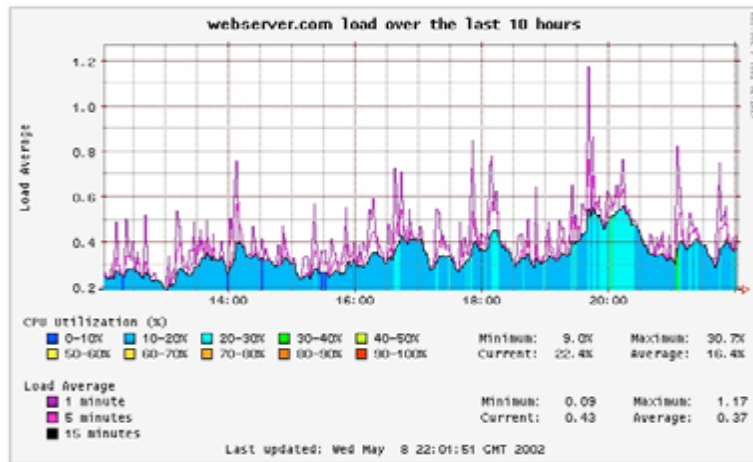
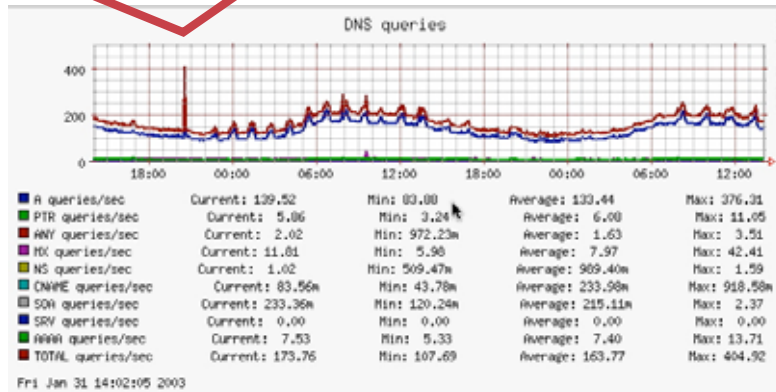
Other Visualization Techniques Using SNMP Data with RRDTool

- RRDTool—the Round Robin Database Tool
- Another open source SNMP visualization toolset developed by Tobi Oetiker, available from <http://people.ee.ethz.ch/~oetiker/webtools/rrdtool/>
- Improved graphing performance, new types of graphs
- Can be used in conjunction with MRTG - does not do its own SNMP collection (can also be used w/NetFlow via OSU flow-tools & FlowScan)
- Runs on Linux, FreeBSD, Mac OS/X, Solaris, other *NIX, Windows
- Many nice HTML/PHP front-ends such as Cacti, Cricket, Big Sister, etc.

Other Visualization Techniques Using SNMP Data with RRDTool (Cont.)

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Anomaly for DNS Queries



Thru'put Spike

RTT Spike

Source: <http://people.ee.ethz.ch/~oetiker/webtools/rrdtool/>

Displaying SNMP Data with NMS Station

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- Can be considered as **“Local telemetry”**
- Network Management Systems (NMS) can serve as SNMP consoles, among other things
- Many can use SNMP traps and/or other forms of telemetry as triggers for paging, scripted actions, etc.
- Pulling information together can be useful for NOCs, operations teams
- Commercial systems such as HP OpenView, Micromuse NetCool, IBM Tivoli, CA Unicenter
- Several open source systems - Big Brother (<http://bb4.com/>), Big Sister (<http://bigsisiter.graeff.com/>), Nagios (<http://www.nagios.org/>), and others

Displaying SNMP Data with NMS—Nagios

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Host	Service	Status	Last Check	Duration	Attempts	Service Information
asa001	SSH	OK	07-15-2001 14:04:00	4d 3h 13m 13s	5/0	SSH ok - Packet loss = 0%, RTT = 0.80 ms
asa002	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:04:30	4d 3h 14m 13s	5/0	CRITICAL: Plugin timed out after 10 seconds
asa003	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:00:30	4d 3h 14m 48s	5/0	(Device Check Timed Out)
asa004	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:02:30	4d 3h 14m 48s	5/0	CRITICAL: Plugin timed out after 10 seconds
asa005	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:04:00	4d 3h 47m 23s	5/0	
asa006	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:04:30	4d 3h 45m 23s	5/0	
asa007	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:05:00	4d 3h 46m 3s	5/0	
asa008	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:02:30	4d 3h 33m 37s	5/0	
asa009	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:04:00	4d 3h 46m 37s	5/0	
asa010	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:04:30	4d 3h 45m 23s	5/0	
asa011	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:05:00	4d 3h 44m 3s	5/0	
asa012	SSH	CRITICAL	07-15-2001 14:02:30	4d 3h 33m 27s	5/0	
asa013	SSH	OK	07-15-2001 14:02:30	4d 3h 4m 34s	5/0	
asa014	SSH	PENDING	N/A	4d 3h 30m 24s	5/0	
asa015	SSH	PENDING	N/A	4d 3h 30m 24s	5/0	
asa016	SSH	PENDING	N/A	4d 3h 30m 24s	5/0	
asa017	SSH	PENDING	N/A	4d 3h 30m 24s	5/0	
asa018	SSH	PENDING	N/A	4d 3h 30m 24s	5/0	
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Alarms

Topology

Nagios Stations

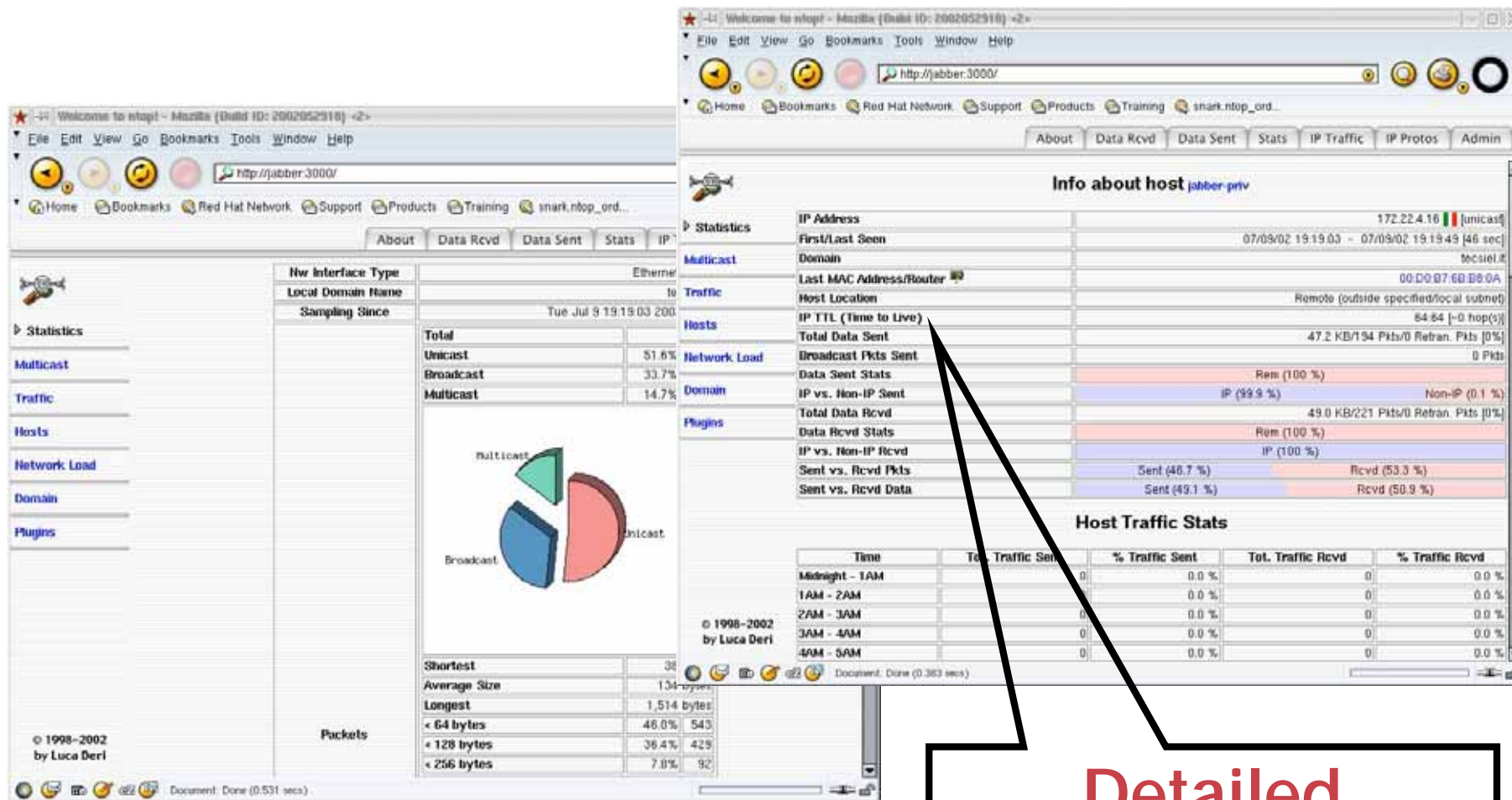
Source: <http://www.nagios.org>

RMON—Remote MONitoring

- RMON is a standard defining how remote probes or agents relay network traffic information back to a central console
- Not as prevalent as SNMP or NetFlow - supported mainly by commercial network management systems
- Cisco Network Analysis Module-2 (NAM-2), ntop (<http://www.ntop.org>) are examples of RMON probes
- Most RMON probes look at raw packets via SPAN/RSPAN and generate statistics from observed traffic
- Mini-RMON statistics available on Catalyst 6500/NAM-2, provides detailed stats from layer-2 access ports

Displaying RMON—ntop Examples

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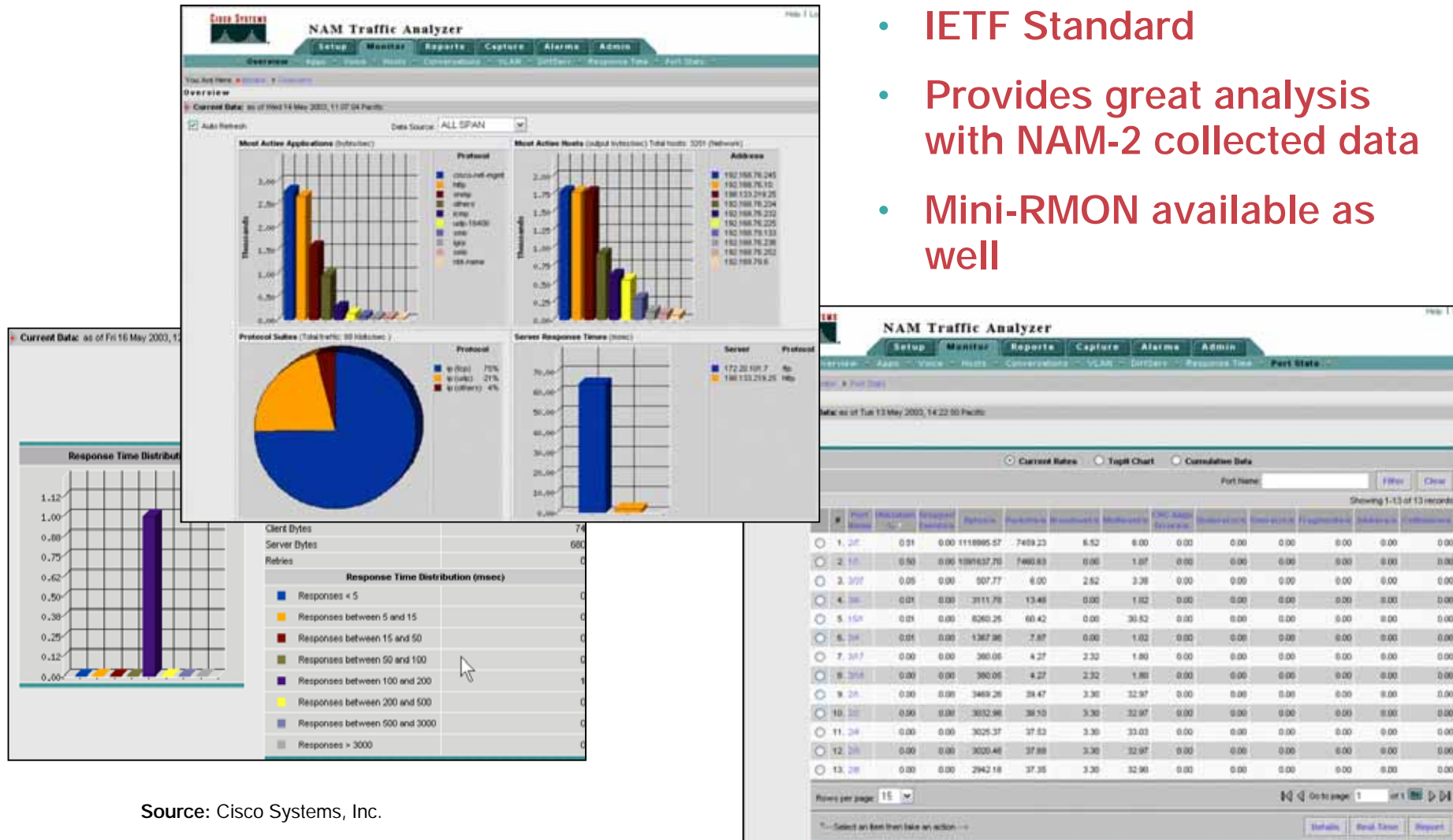


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Value of RMON: Utilizing NAM-2 Gathered Data

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- IETF Standard
- Provides great analysis with NAM-2 collected data
- Mini-RMON available as well

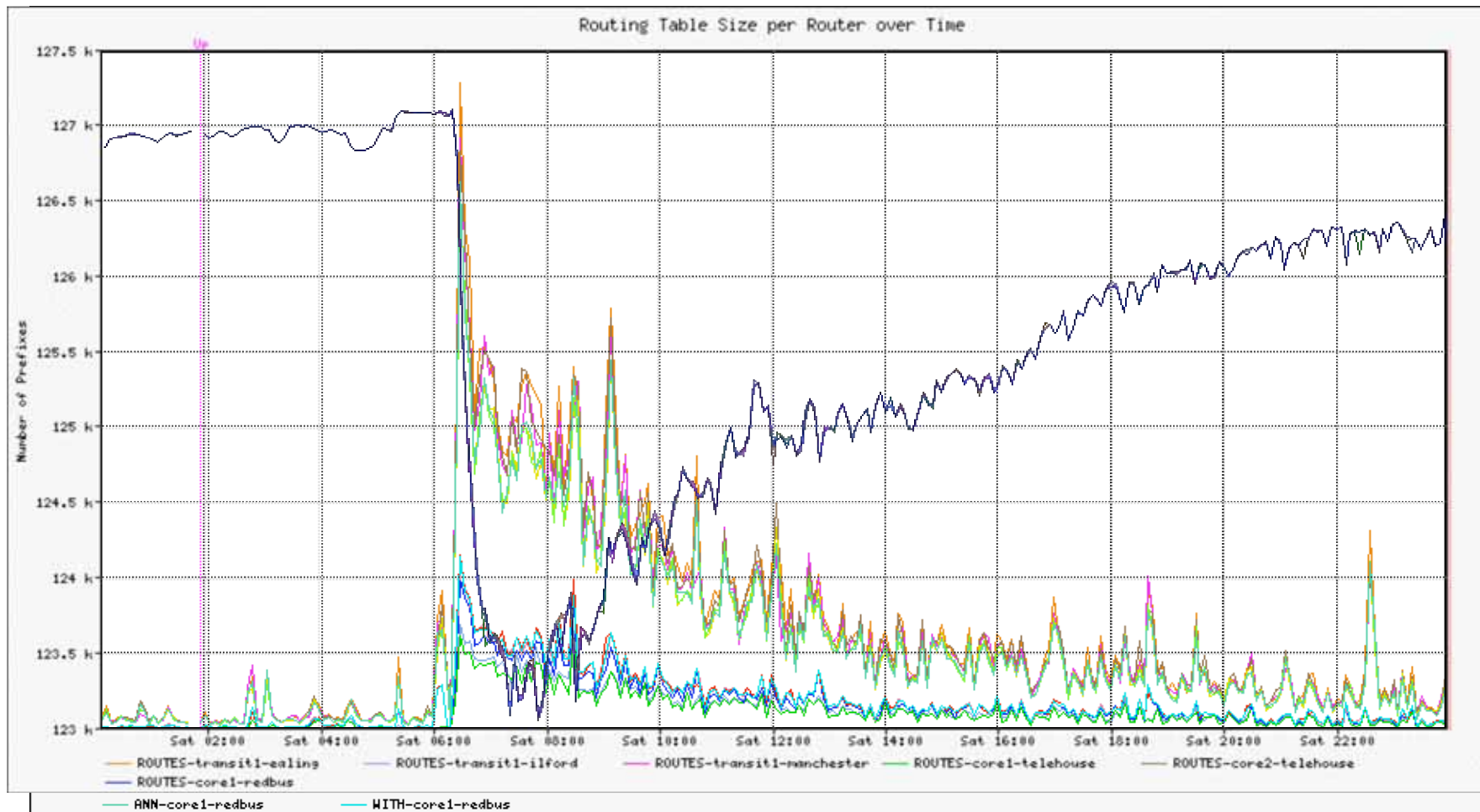


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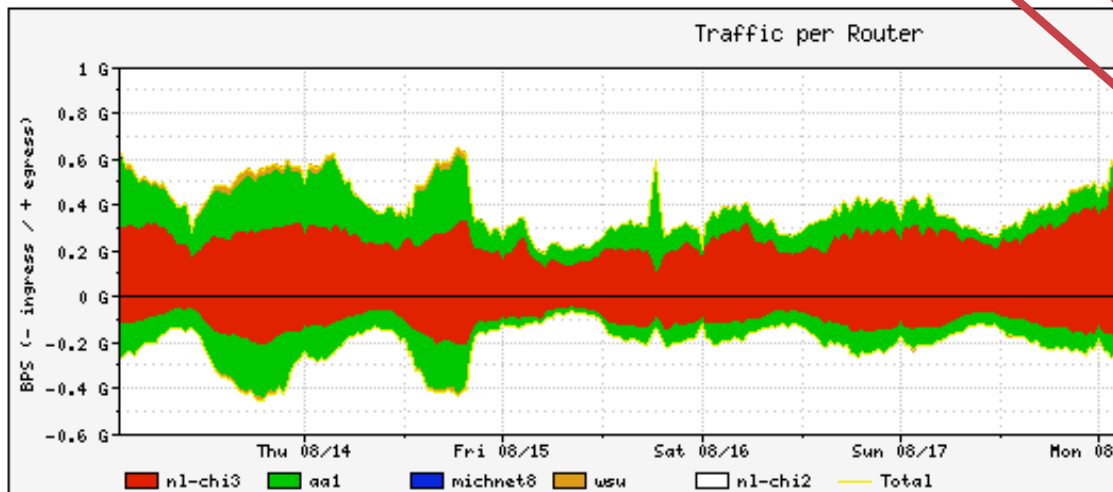
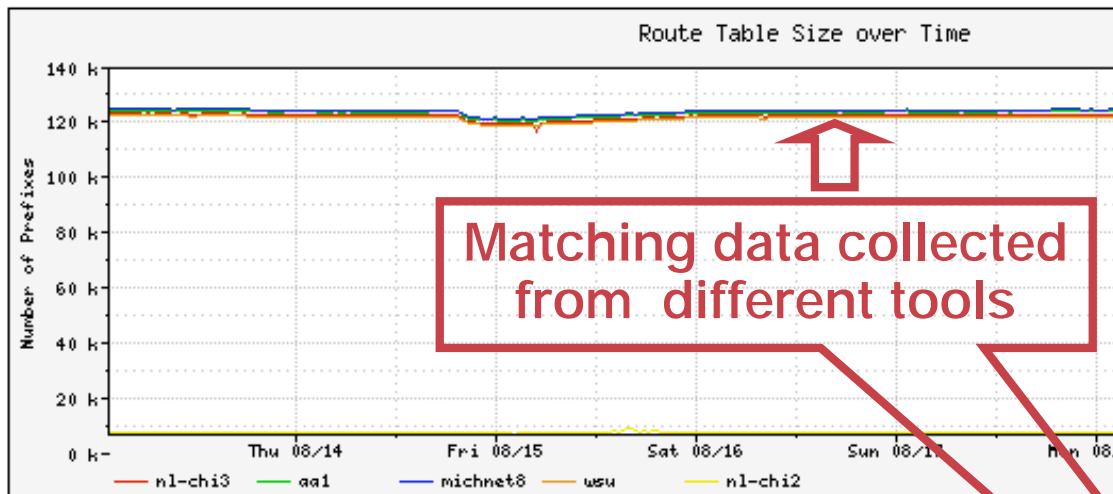
BGP—Why Do We Care?

- Large-scale network security events such as worms, DDoS attacks, etc. often produce side-effects visible in the global routing table
- **Correlating** BGP information with other forms of telemetry (NetFlow, SNMP, RMON, etc.) can be effective in determining the true impact of incidents

BGP Example—SQL Slammer



Correlating NetFlow and Routing Data



```
tcsh — tcsh
danny@rambler% cat prefixes
```

Prefix Length	*Current	Daily Max	Daily Average
/24	65,900	68,497	67,259
/23	9,904	10,157	10,027
/22	9,053	9,211	9,110
/21	6,035	6,106	6,045
/20	8,485	8,560	8,487
/19	8,175	8,221	8,161
/18	3,007	3,031	3,005
/17	1,693	1,705	1,690
/16	7,293	7,396	7,326
/15	473	473	469
/14	263	263	262
/13	98	98	97
/12	55	55	54
/11	12	12	11
/10	6	6	5
/9	4	4	3
/8	19	19	18

```

Current_Total: 120,475
Max_Total: 123,814
Average_Total: 122,029

Current v. Average: 98.73% (1554 prefixes)

* Current Based on my Snapshot @9P MDT 8.14.2003
[~]
danny@rambler%

```

How to Deploy BGP?

- Start with open source tools: Zebra and Quagga
- Zebra (<http://www.zebra.org>) and Quagga (<http://www.quagga.net>) are two open source BGP daemons which can log BGP updates for further analysis
- Arbor Peakflow SP Traffic provides BGP visualization, trending, NetFlow traffic correlation, additional functionality (http://www.arbornetworks.com/products_sp.php)
- RIBs/updates available from <http://archive.routeviews.org/>, <http://www.ripe.net/ris/index.html>, <http://www.renesys.com> (commercial, useful monitoring tools/services for your ASN)

Syslog

- De facto logging standard for hosts, network infrastructure devices, supported in all routers and switches
- Many levels of logging detail available—choose the level(s) which are appropriate for each device/situation
- Logging of ACLs is generally contraindicated due to CPU overhead—NetFlow provides more info, doesn't max the box
- Can be used in conjunction with Anycast and databases such as MySQL (<http://www.mysql.com>) to provide a scalable, robust logging infrastructure
- Different facility numbers allows for segregation of log info based upon device type, function, other criteria
- Syslog-ng from http://www.balabit.com/products/syslog_ng/ adds a lot of useful functionality—HOW-TO located at <http://www.campin.net/newlogcheck.html>

Configuring Syslog on a Router

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- **Syslog data is invaluable**
 - Attack forensics
 - Day to day events and debugging
- **To log messages to a syslog server host, use the logging global configuration command**
 - `logging host`
 - `logging trap level`
- **To log to internal buffer use:**
 - `logging buffered size`
- **Ensure timestamps**
 - `service timestamps log...`

Benefits of Deploying Syslog

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- Syslog data can be available from a centralized SysLog server(s) as well as router's local buffer
- Deploy on routers, switches, firewall, IPS sensors and other network elements to get a holistic picture
- Analysis tools available such as Cisco MARS, SEC, ModLogAn and others
- SysLog Server such as Kiwi and syslog-ng

Network Time Protocol

- Synchronize time across all devices
- When security event occurs, data must have consistent timestamps

From external time source

Upstream ISP, Internet, GPS, atomic clock

From internal time source

Router can act as **stratum 1** time source

```
ntp source loopback0
```

```
ntp server 10.1.1.1 source loopback0
```

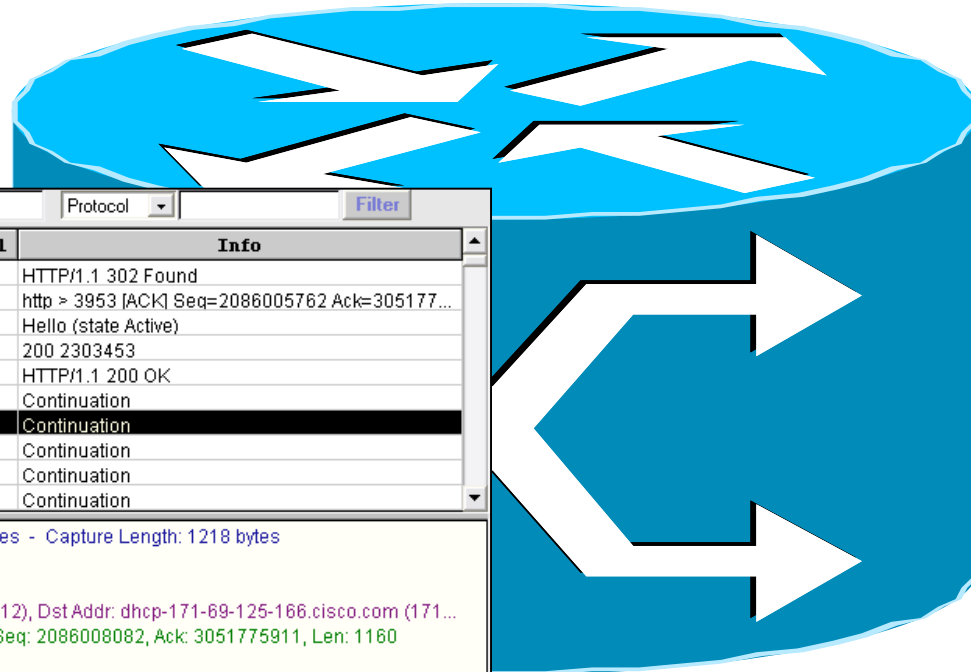
Benefits of Deploying NTP

- Very valuable on a global network with network elements in different time zones
- Easy to correlate data from a global or a sizable network with a consistent time stamp
- NTP based timestamp allows to trace security events for chronological forensic work
- Any compromise or alteration is easy to detect as network elements would go out of sync with the main 'clock'

Packet Capture

- Sometimes, there's just no substitute for looking at the packets on the wire
- SPAN/RSPAN/ERSPAN allow packet capture from Catalyst switches; ip packet export allows packet capture from routers
- Open source tools such as tcpdump, snoop, Ethereal (<http://www.ethereal.com>) on free *NIX or Windows allow inexpensive packet-capture solutions to be built and deployed
- Commercial tools such as Cisco NAM-2, NAI Sniffer/Distributed Sniffer, Wandel and Goltermann available
- Use macroanalytical telemetry such as SNMP, NetFlow, RMON to guide your use of microanalytical telemetry (i.e., packet capture)

Packet Capture Examples



Packets: 1-1000 of 1470

Pkt	Time (s)	Size	Source	Destination	Protocol	Info
1	0.000	437	nam-6506.embu-mlab...	dhcp-171-69-125-166...	HTTP	HTTP/1.1 302 Found
2	0.006	68	nam-6506.embu-mlab...	dhcp-171-69-125-166...	TCP	http > 3953 [ACK] Seq=2086005762 Ack=305177...
3	0.048	70	core2-e0-1.embu-mla...	ALL-ROUTERS.MCAS...	HSRP	Hello (state Active)
4	0.057	68	embu-callmgr1.embu...	192.168.79.42	MGCP	200 2303453
5	0.069	1222	nam-6506.embu-mlab...	dhcp-171-69-125-166...	HTTP	HTTP/1.1 200 OK
6	0.069	1222	nam-6506.embu-mlab...	dhcp-171-69-125-166...	HTTP	Continuation
7	0.075	1222	nam-6506.embu-mlab...	dhcp-171-69-125-166...	HTTP	Continuation
8	0.075	1222	nam-6506.embu-mlab...	dhcp-171-69-125-166...	HTTP	Continuation
9	0.075	1222	nam-6506.embu-mlab...	dhcp-171-69-125-166...	HTTP	Continuation
10	0.084	1222	nam-6506.embu-mlab...	dhcp-171-69-125-166...	HTTP	Continuation

Packet Number: 7 - Time: May 16, 2003 12:47:17.357 - Packet Length: 1222 bytes - Capture Length: 1218 bytes

- + ETH Ethernet II, Src: 00:d0:d3:9d:73:d0, Dst: 00:30:94:fd:c6:17
- + VLAN 802.1q Virtual LAN
- + IP Internet Protocol, Src Addr: nam-6506.embu-mlab.cisco.com (192.168.76.12), Dst Addr: dhcp-171-69-125-166.cisco.com (171...)
- + TCP Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: http (80), Dst Port: 3953 (3953), Seq: 2086008082, Ack: 3051775911, Len: 1160
- HTTP Hypertext Transfer Protocol
- HTTP Data (1160 bytes)

```

0000 00 30 94 fd c6 17 00 d0 d3 9d 73 d0 81 00 00 3c  .0.....s....<
0010 08 00 45 00 04 b0 0d 40 40 00 3f 06 f4 67 c0 a8  ..E...@?.?..g..
0020 4c 0c ab 45 7d a6 00 50 0f 71 7c 55 f5 12 b5 e6  L..E)..P.qIU...
0030 67 a7 50 10 43 98 0a 57 00 00 25 22 20 62 6f 72  g.P.C..W..%" bor
0040 64 65 72 3d 22 30 22 20 63 65 6c 6c 73 70 61 63  der="0" cellspac
0050 69 6e 67 3d 22 30 22 20 63 65 6c 6c 70 61 64 64  ing="0" cellpadd
    
```

Wealth of information, L1-L7 raw data for analysis

Source: <http://www.ethereal.com>, Cisco Systems, Inc.

How to Use Packet Capture

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- Mainly a **reactionary** tool

Generally a reaction after finding out that there is an anomaly

- Used in telemetry **during** the security event

Need to know where to capture the packet.

Sometimes, the same packet needs to be captured in multiple places

- **Wealth of information**

Informs what type of outbreak one is observing on the network

Provides raw data for further analysis

Helps by providing information on how to bring the safeguards for short term and long term mitigation

Okay—Tell Me Where to Start From?

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1. NetFlow enablement on the network elements
2. NetFlow data correlation and analysis
3. SNMP / RMON [SNMP more prevalent]
 1. CPU / Memory util
 2. Link usage and display with MRTG
4. SysLog collection and analysis
5. Monitoring to Routing, DNS queries, etc. [BGP, DNS]
6. Local and remote packet capture facility [Most have it today with sniffer, ethereal]

The Next Steps- Best Practice Techniques

SP network security system cycle

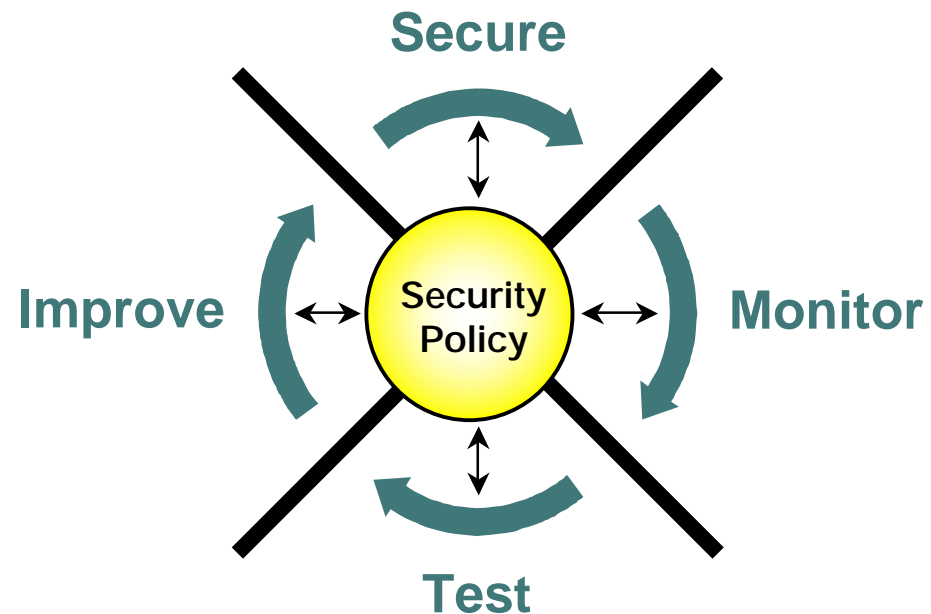
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Stage 1: Secure

Stage 2: Monitor

Stage 3: Test

Stage 4: Improve



Security Best Practices - Overview

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- Define a Security Policy and the required procedures to enforce it

this should include roles, responsibilities, customer contacts, etc.

- Create an Incident Response Team

should work in conjunction with the NOC/SOC

- Establish a Relationship with other relevant organizations

PSIRTs, CERTs, NSPs, and peering SPs

Security Best Practices – Overview (cont')

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- Design and Implement Services with Security in mind
- Secure the infrastructure following a Modular design

Focus on the most critical areas first

- Define a solid incident handling Procedure

Preparation

Identification

Classification

Traceback

Reaction

Post Mortem



Procedure : Preparation

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- **Know the enemy**
 - Understand what drives the miscreants
 - Understand their techniques
- **Create the security team and plan**
 - Who handles security during an event? Is it the security folks? The networking folks?
 - A good operational security professional needs to be a cross between the two: silos are useless...
- **Harden the devices**
- **Prepare the tools**
 - Network telemetry
 - Reaction tools
 - Understand performance characteristics

Prepare Response Teams

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- Identify key individuals/groups and create an incident response team
- Participate in and communicate to incident response forums and organizations

FIRST

NSP-SEC

NANOG

PSIRT

- Monitor emerging threats

<http://packetstormsecurity.org>

<http://isc.sans.org>

Many others...

Preparing the Network

- Understanding your network is critical to preparation
- What is normal? What is healthy?
- Monitor important indexes

Bandwidth—peer, router, interface, application

Routing—hijacking, instability

CPU—punted traffic, “show ip traffic”

Traffic patterns—by AS, prefixes, ports

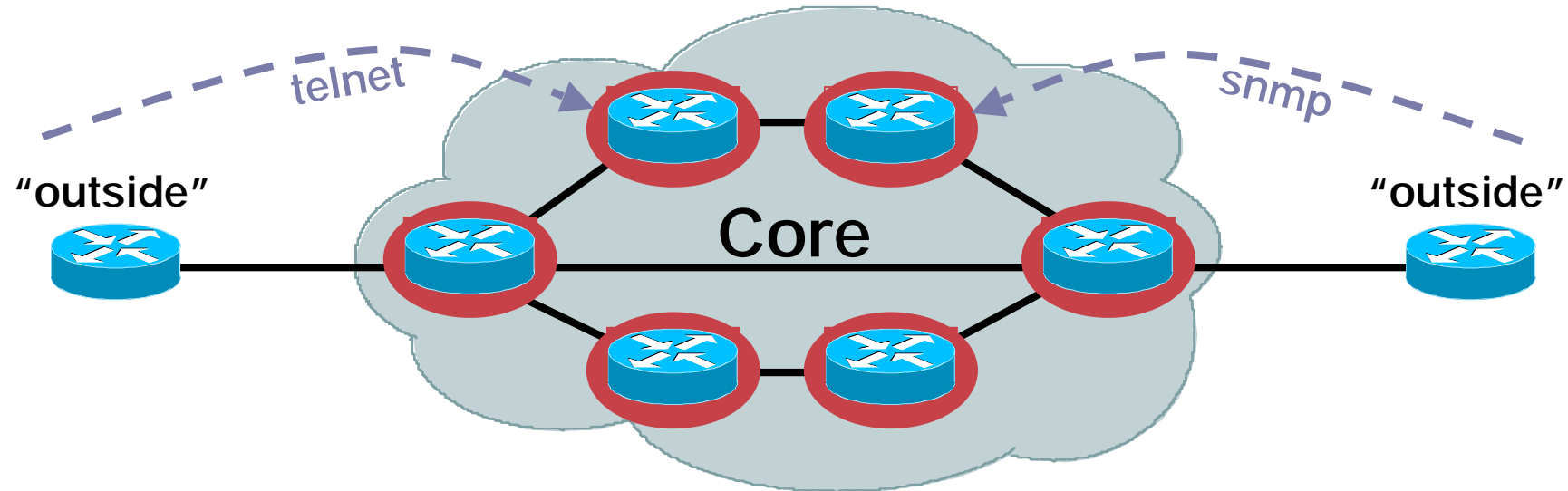
Preparing the Network

Harden the Network

- **Secure the control plane**
 - Routing protocol authentication, BGP TTL check, prefix-filtering
- **Secure the management plane**
 - Disable unnecessary services
 - Secured and authenticated device access – AAA, VTY/SNMP
 - ACL's, Out-of-band management
- **Secure the data plane**
 - Anti-spoofing via strict/loose uRPF, infrastructure ACL's
- **Auditing**
 - Logging, AAA records, SNMP traps

The Old World: Network Edge

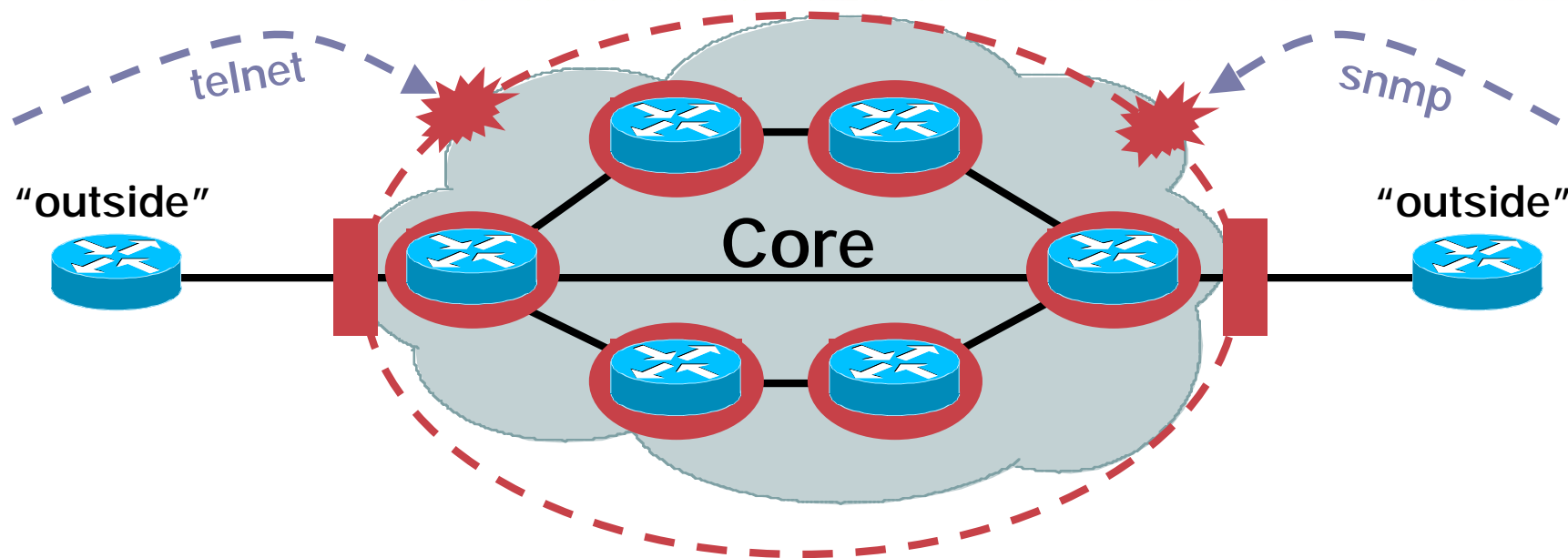
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- Core routers individually secured
- Every router accessible from outside

The New World: Network Edge

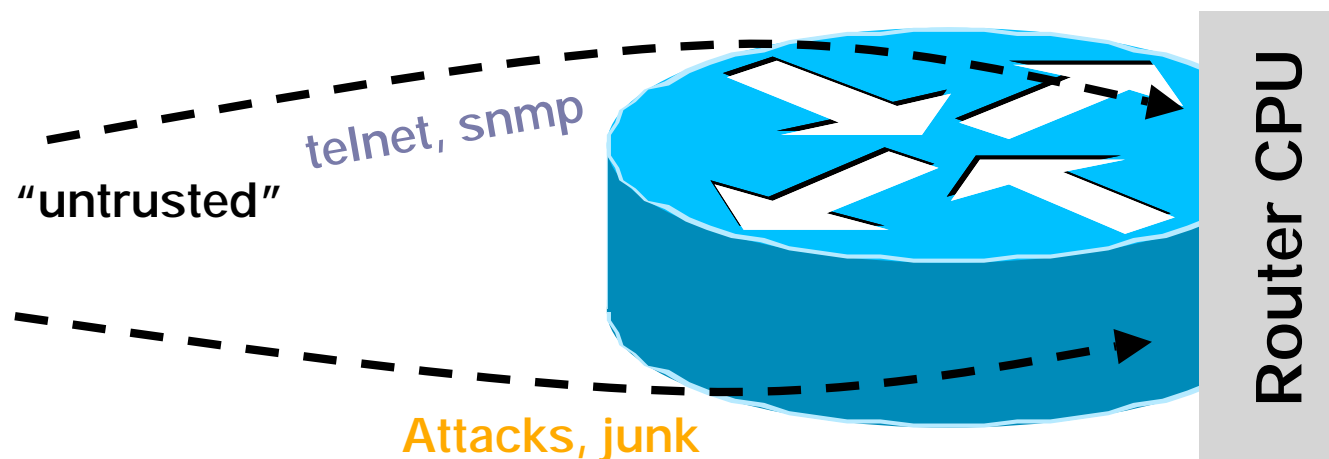
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- Core routers individually secured PLUS
- Infrastructure protection
- Routers generally NOT accessible from outside

The Old World: Router Perspective

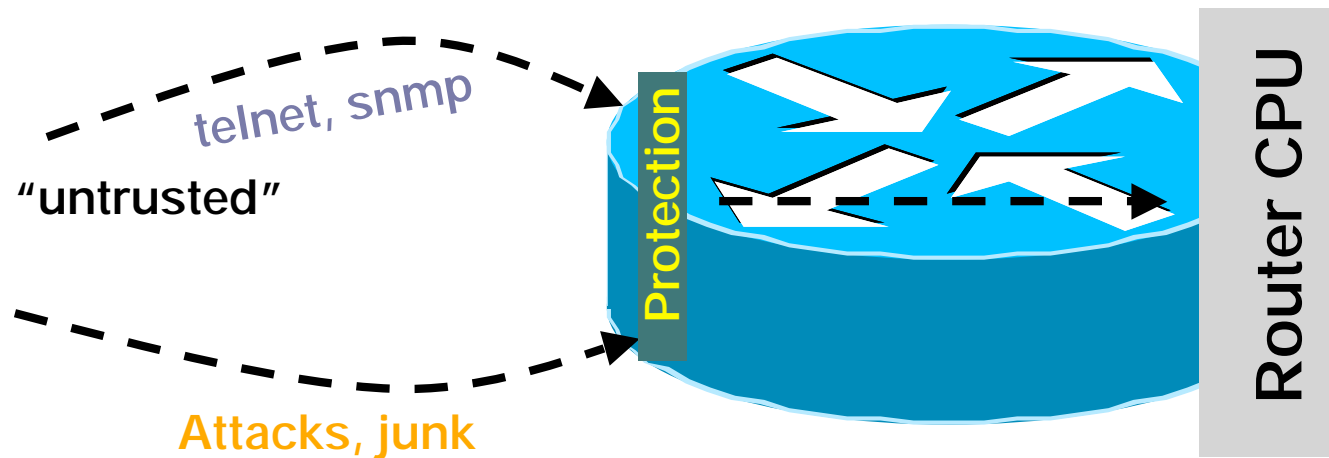
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- Policy enforced at process level (VTY ACL, SNMP ACL, etc.)
- Some early features such as ingress ACL used when possible

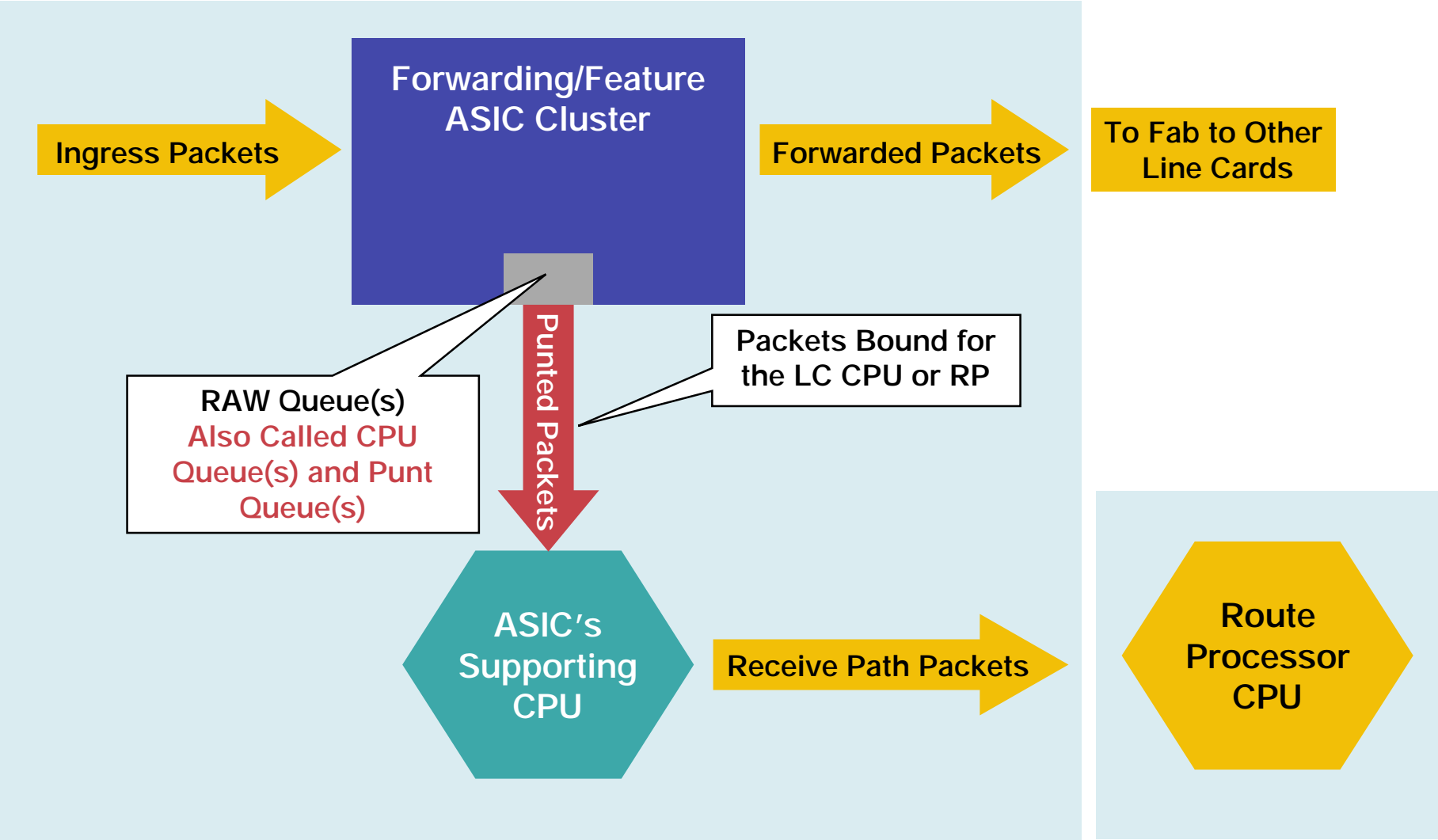
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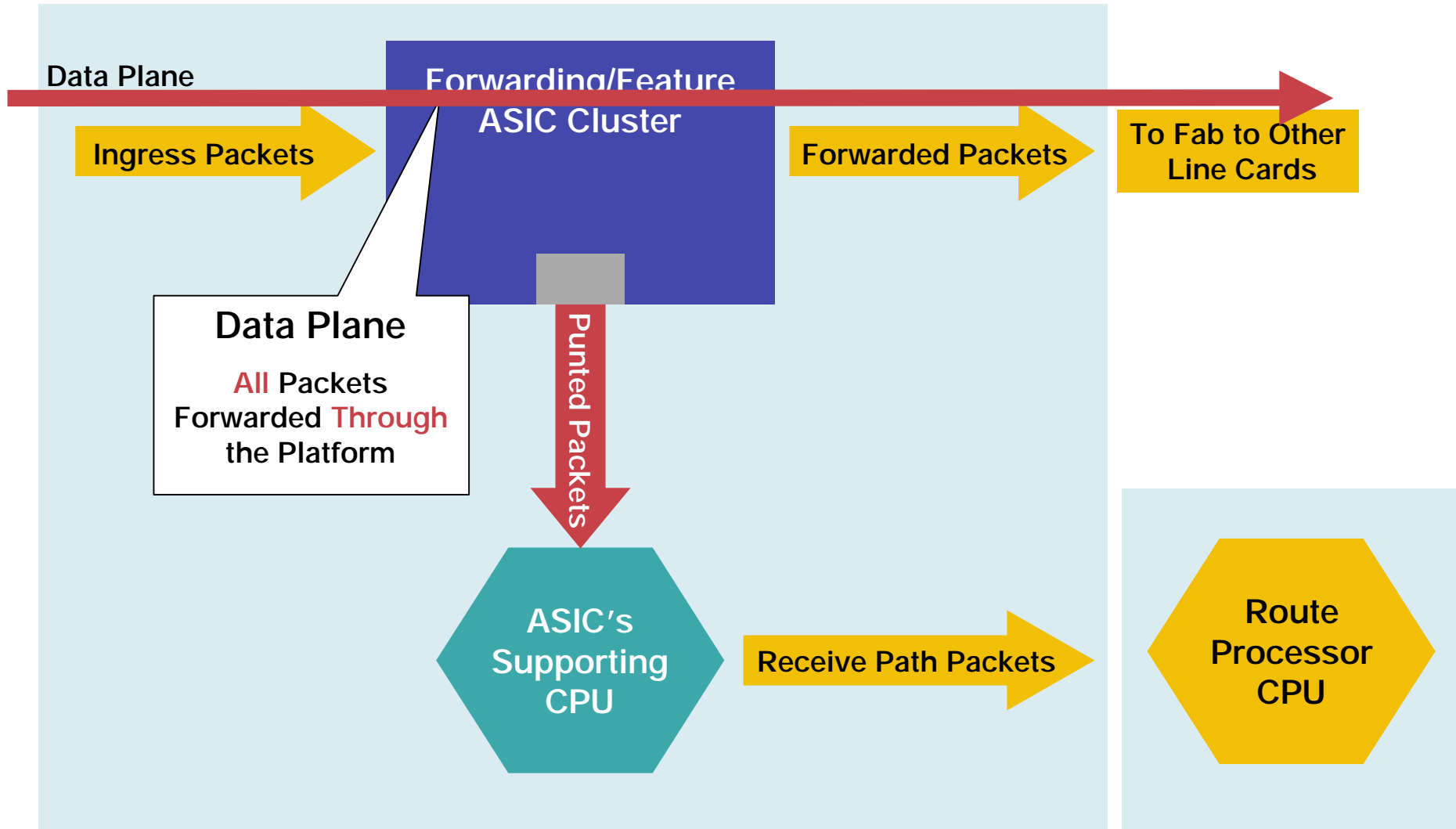


- Central policy enforcement, prior to process level
- Granular protection schemes
- On high-end platforms, hardware implementations

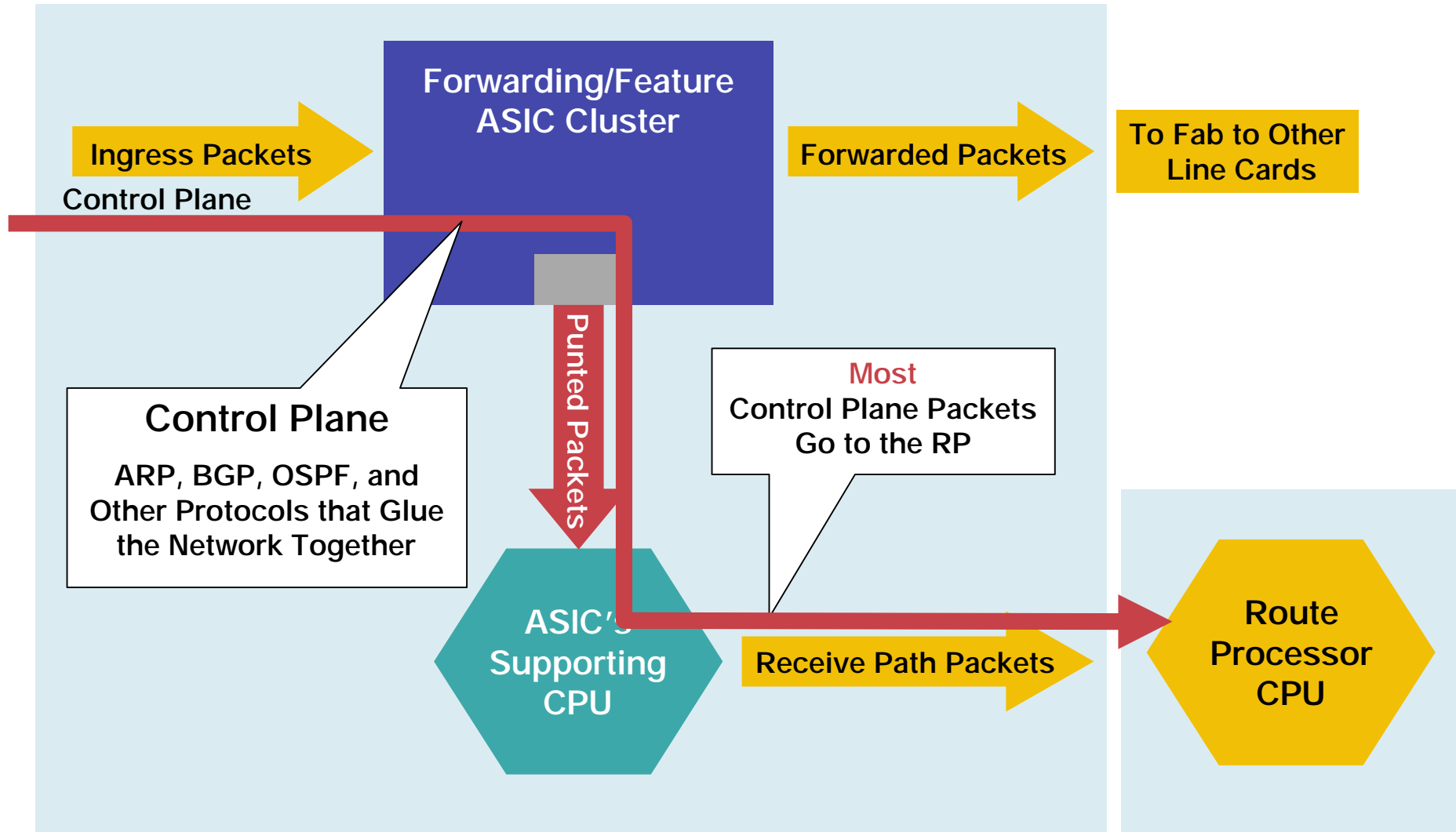
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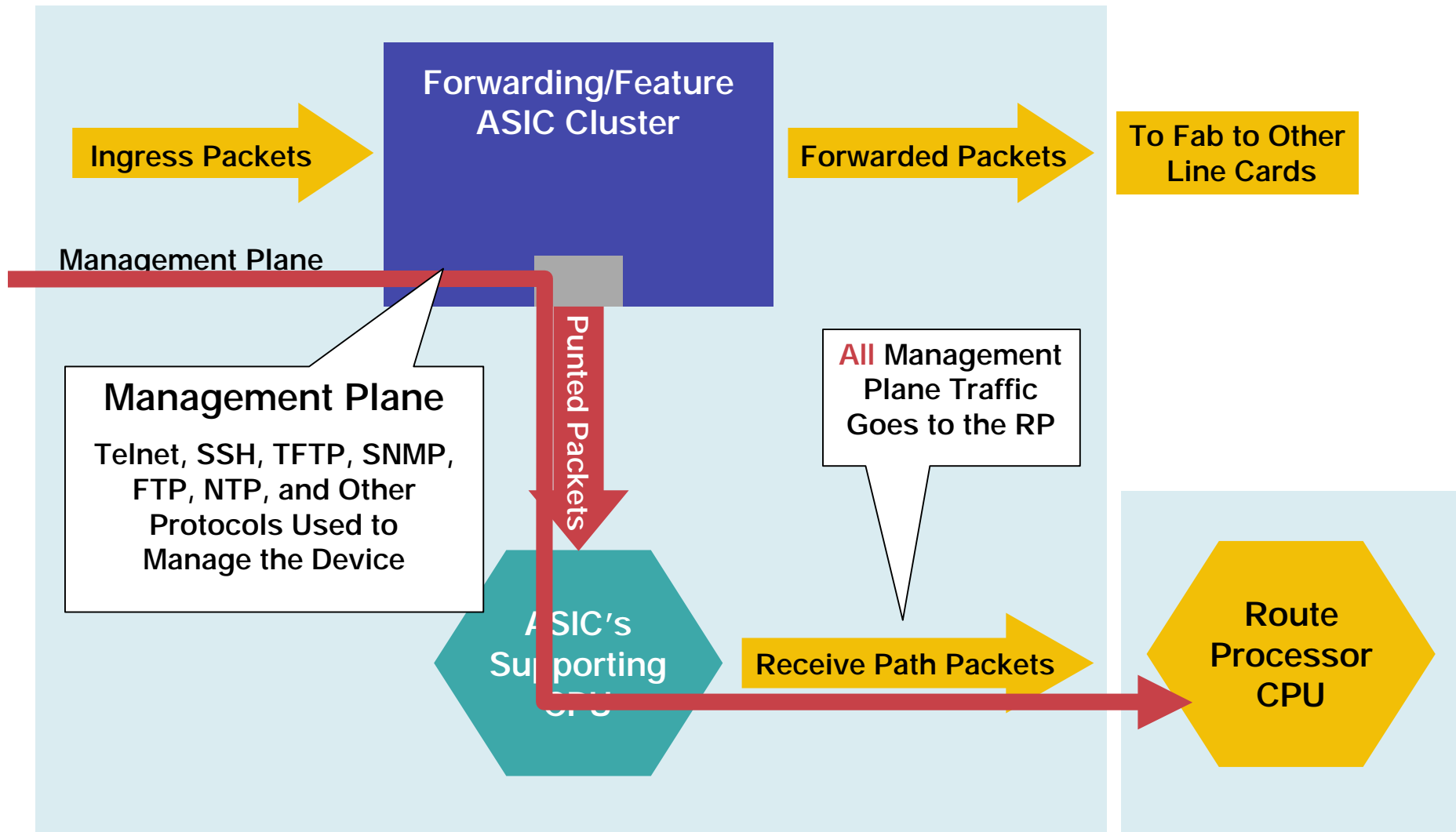
Data Plane



Control Plane

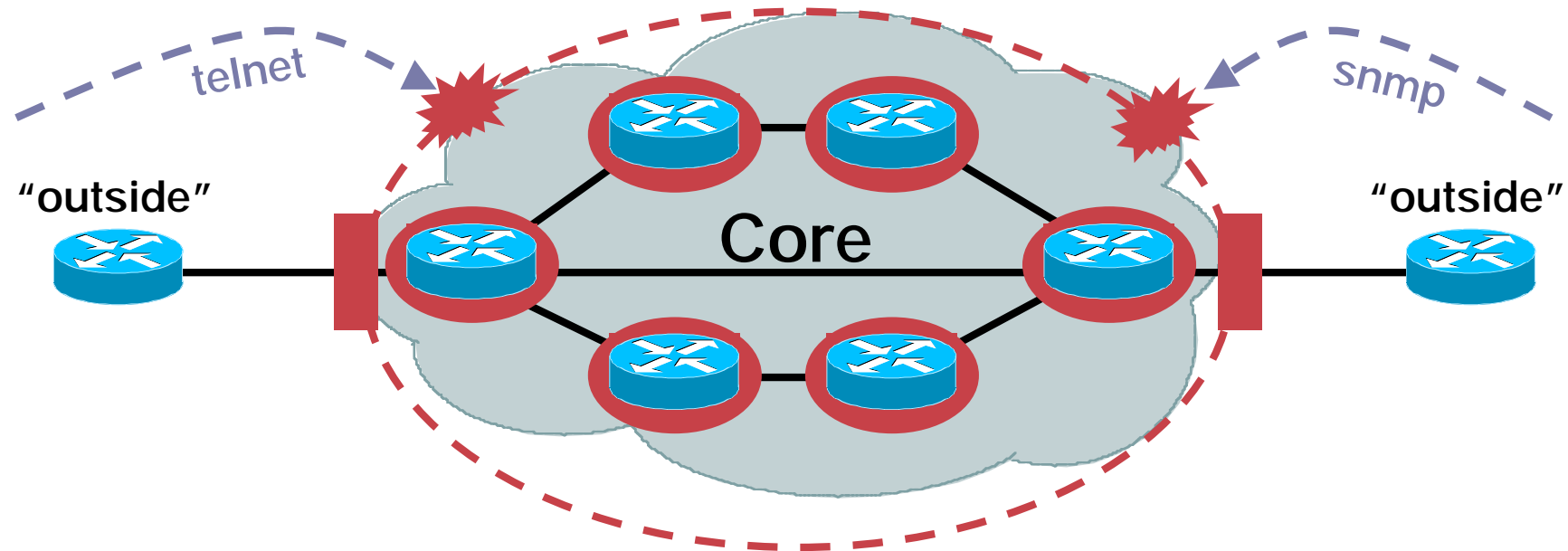


Management Plane



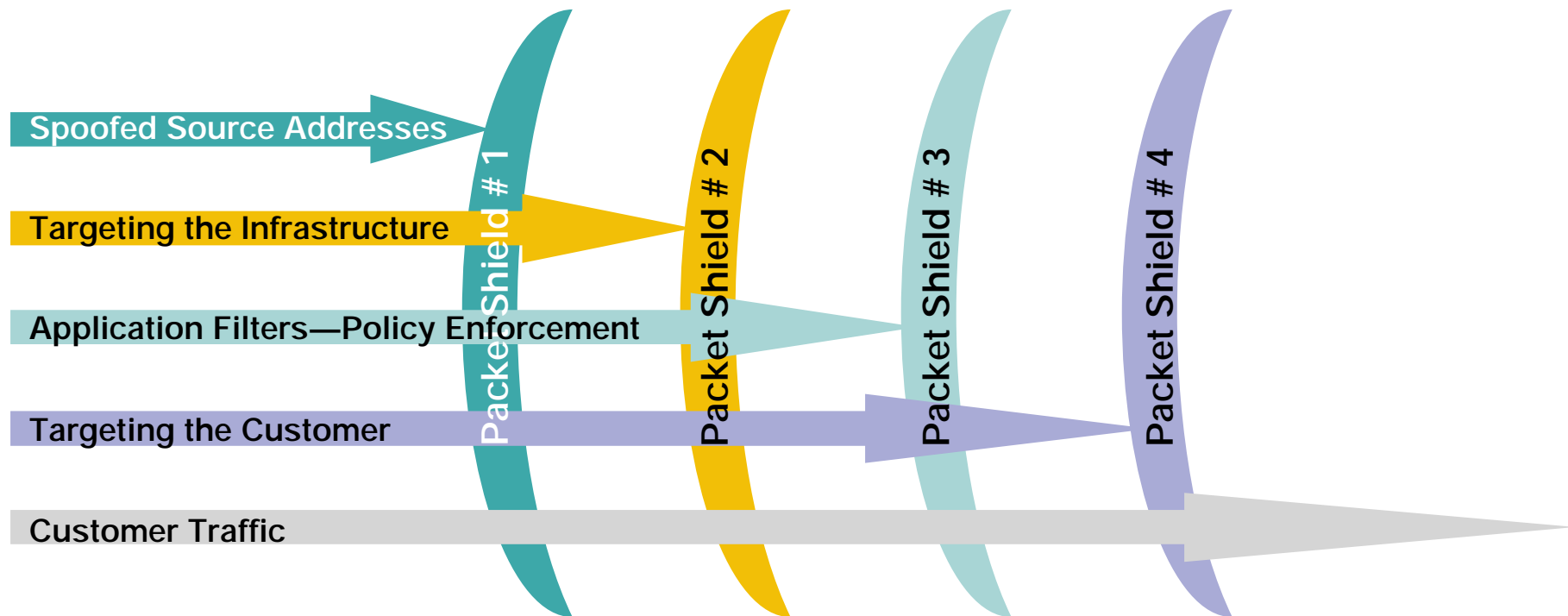
Preparing the Network— Infrastructure Protection

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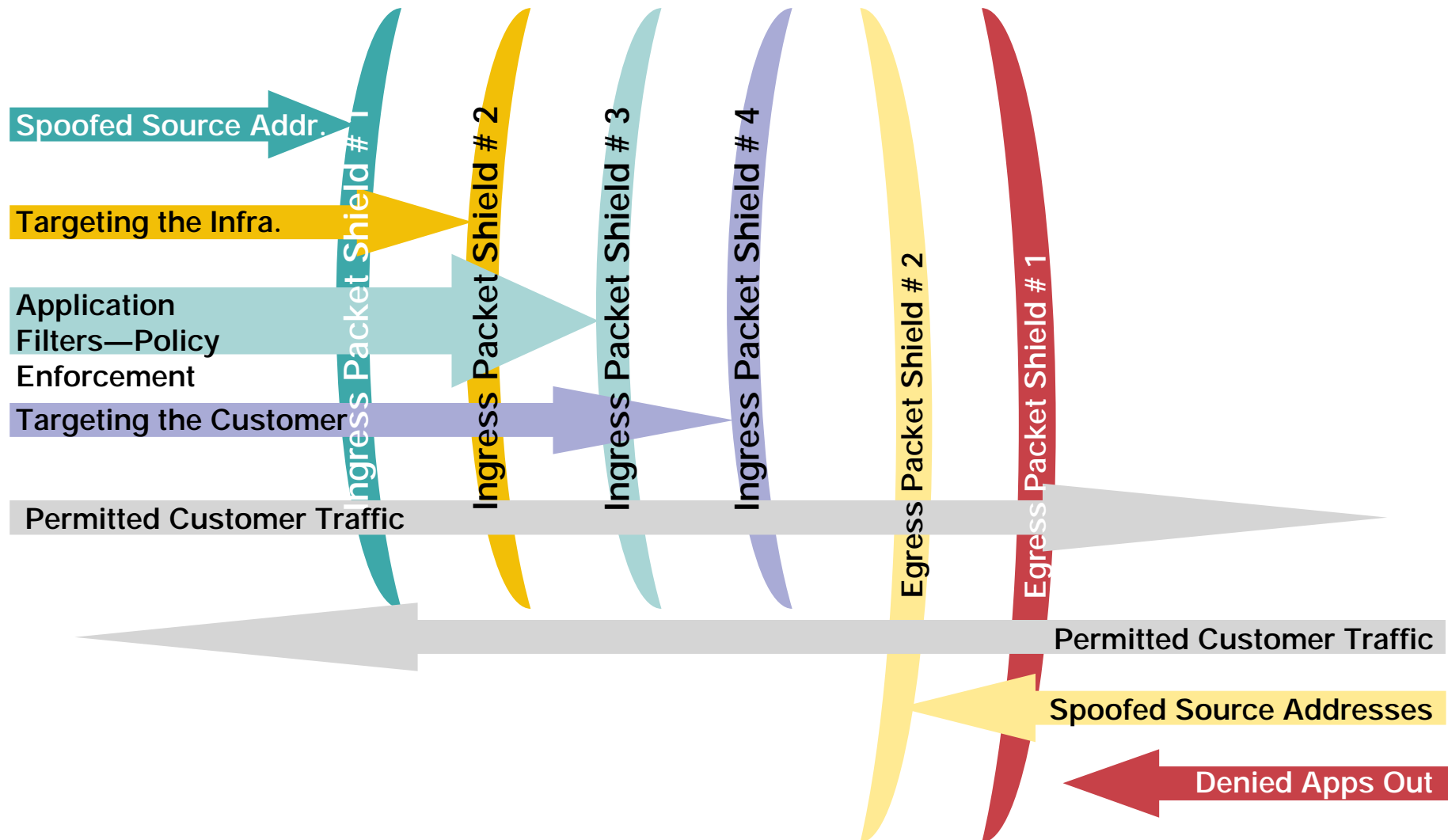
- Techniques to secure your transit networks
Infrastructure ACLs, Receive ACLs, Control Plane Policing

Packet Filtering Viewed Horizontally



Packet Filtering

Remember to Filter the Return Path



Infrastructure Protection Tools

- **Infrastructure ACLs (iACLs)**—Originally, the only approach
 - Create policies (ACLs or MQC) for control plane traffic to block all unwanted IP traffic destined to the core
 - Applied to ALL ingress port—affects ALL traffic (control and data plane)
- **Receive Path ACLs (rACLs)**—The first step...
 - Create ACLs to block unwanted IP traffic destined to the core
 - Global (single) configuration affects all “receive path” packets
 - Only affects control plane traffic
 - Only available for Cisco 12000 and Cisco 7500 routers
- **Control Plane Policing (CoPP)**—The newest approach
 - Extends rACLs by adding Modular QoS CLI (MQC) policing
 - Modify input path to “split” control and data plane traffic prior to input feature application



Control Plane Policing Deployment Policies

Define Service Policy

- Start with a simplistic policy that will not disrupt network operations

For critical, important, and normal traffic types, conform actions are “transmit”

For undesirable traffic, all actions are unconditionally “drop” regardless of rate

For default traffic, rate-limit the amount of traffic permitted above a certain bps

- Modify the policy over time as more confidence is gained in traffic rates—particularly for “critical” traffic

A very low rate might discard necessary traffic, whereas a high rate might allow the Route Processor to be inundated with a flood of non-critical packets

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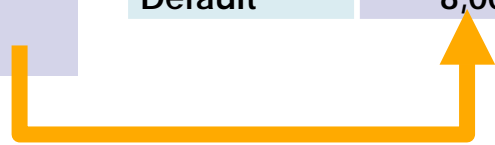
The appropriate rates are dependent on platform capabilities and CPU capacity

The appropriate rates are typically site-specific as well, depending on local topology and routing table size

- Strive for constant improvement to keep pace with new attacks, and to cover new services

Basic Control Plane Policing Service Policy			
Traffic Class	Rate (bps)	Conform Action	Exceed Action
Critical	N/A	Transmit	Transmit
Important	125,000	Transmit	Transmit
Normal	15,000	Transmit	Transmit
Undesirabl	8,000	Drop	Drop
Default	8,000	Transmit	Drop

Hybrid Control Plane Policing Service Policy			
Traffic Class	Rate (bps)	Conform Action	Exceed Action
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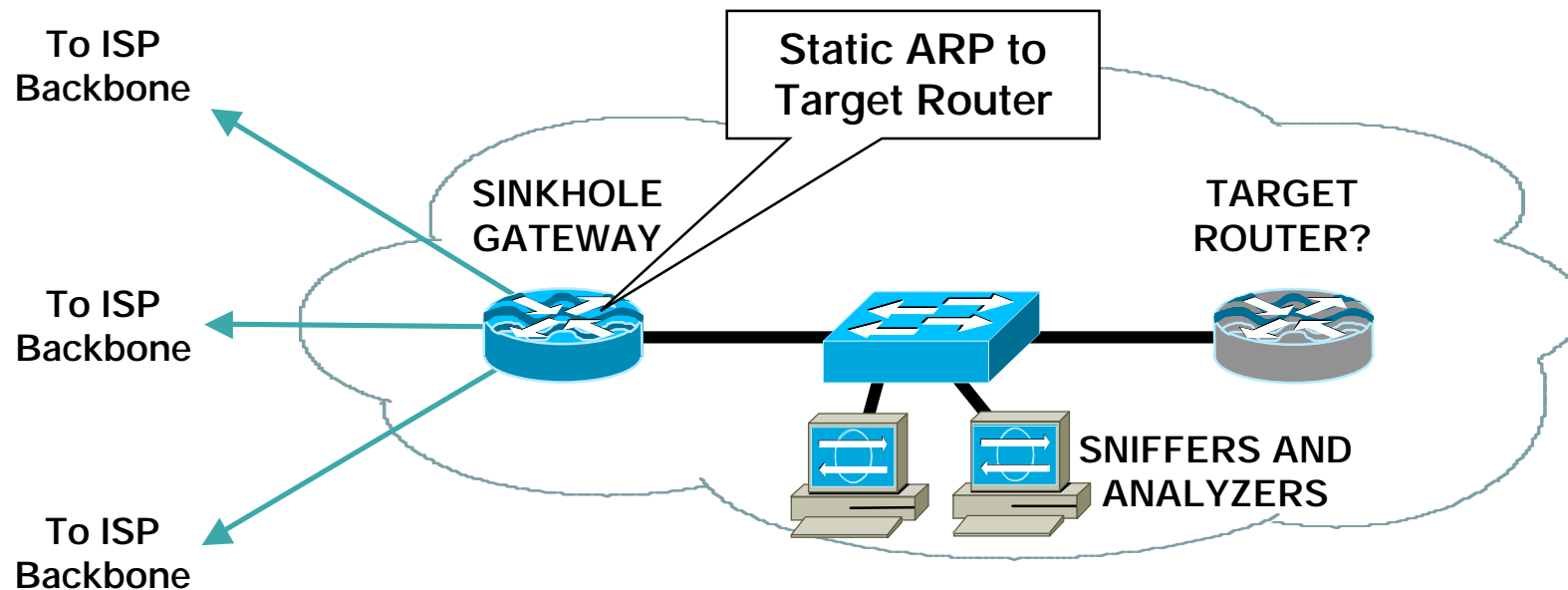


Prepare the Tools

Sinkholes

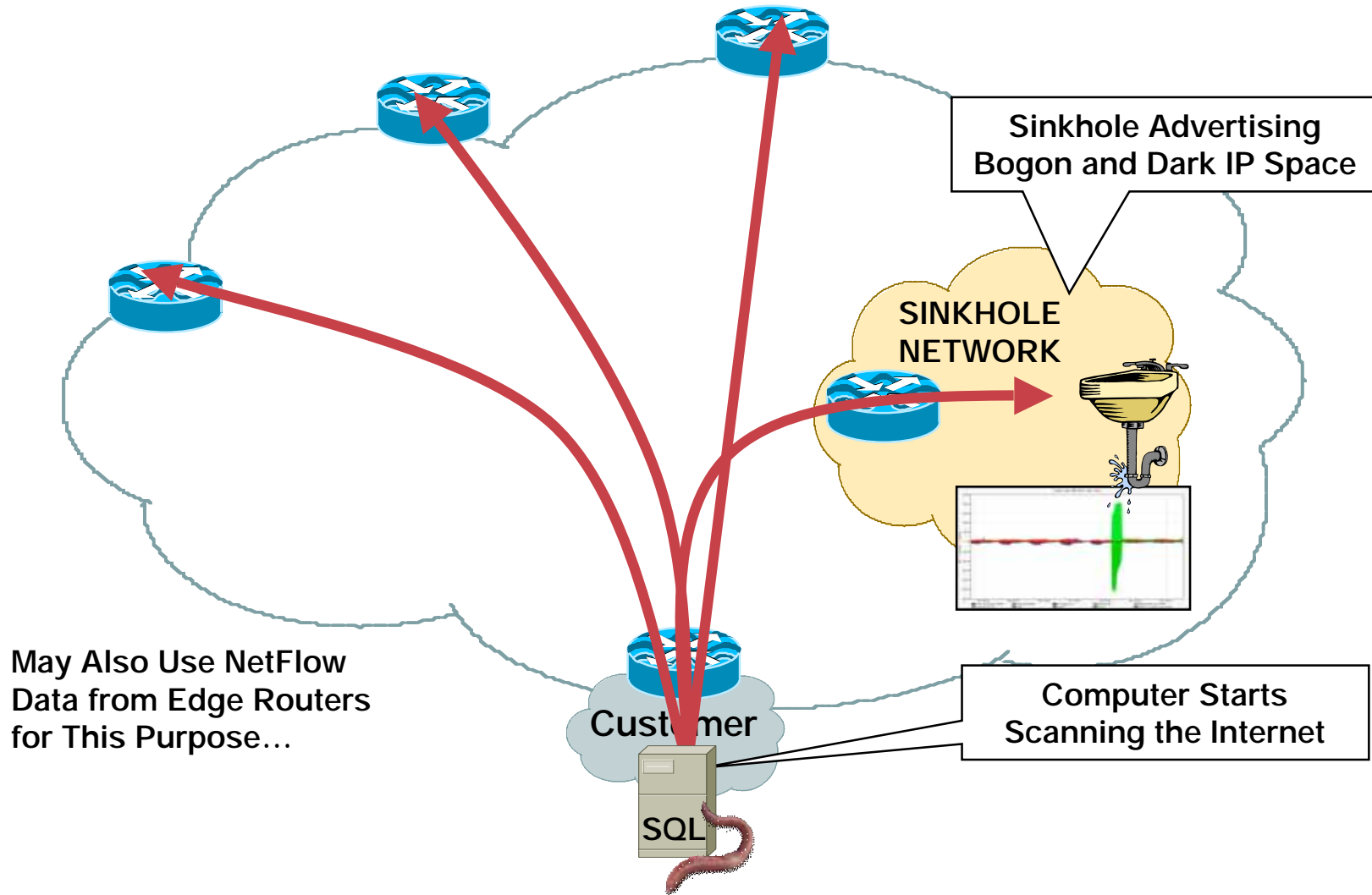
- Sinkholes are a versatile function of routing topology and hardened infrastructure
- Infrastructure protection
 - Sinkhole your core address space to minimize attack
- Identification/classification
 - Monitor dark IP space for attack noise and worm/botnet scanning
 - Redirect attacks for analysis
- Traceback
 - Use backscatter to trace spoofed hosts
- Reaction
 - Divert attacks from the victim

Sink Hole Architecture



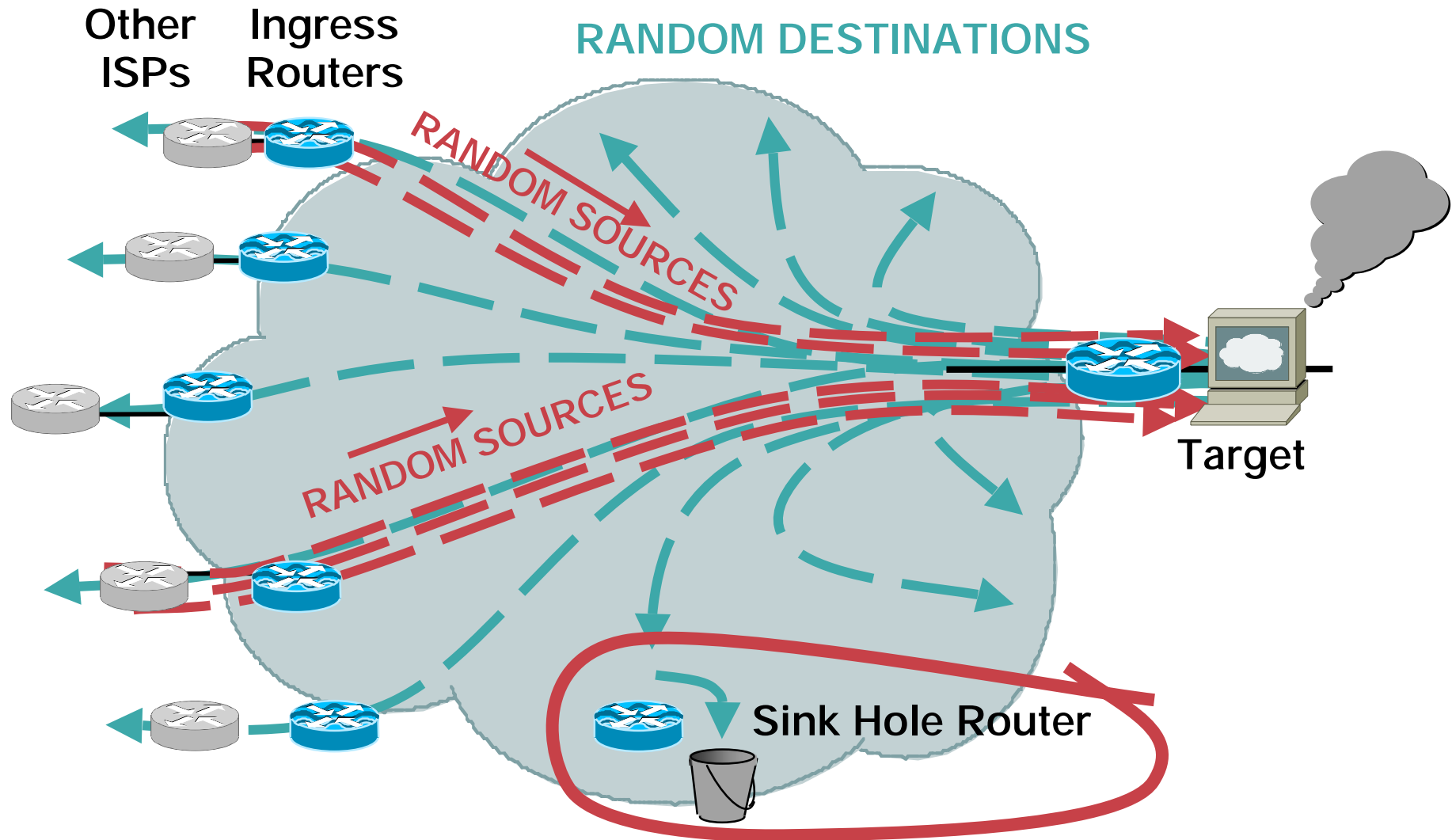
- Dedicated network component to attract traffic
- Can also be used "on demand": Pull the DoS/DDoS attack to the sinkhole
- Sink Hole design can also incorporate scrubbers

Sinkholes: Worm Detection

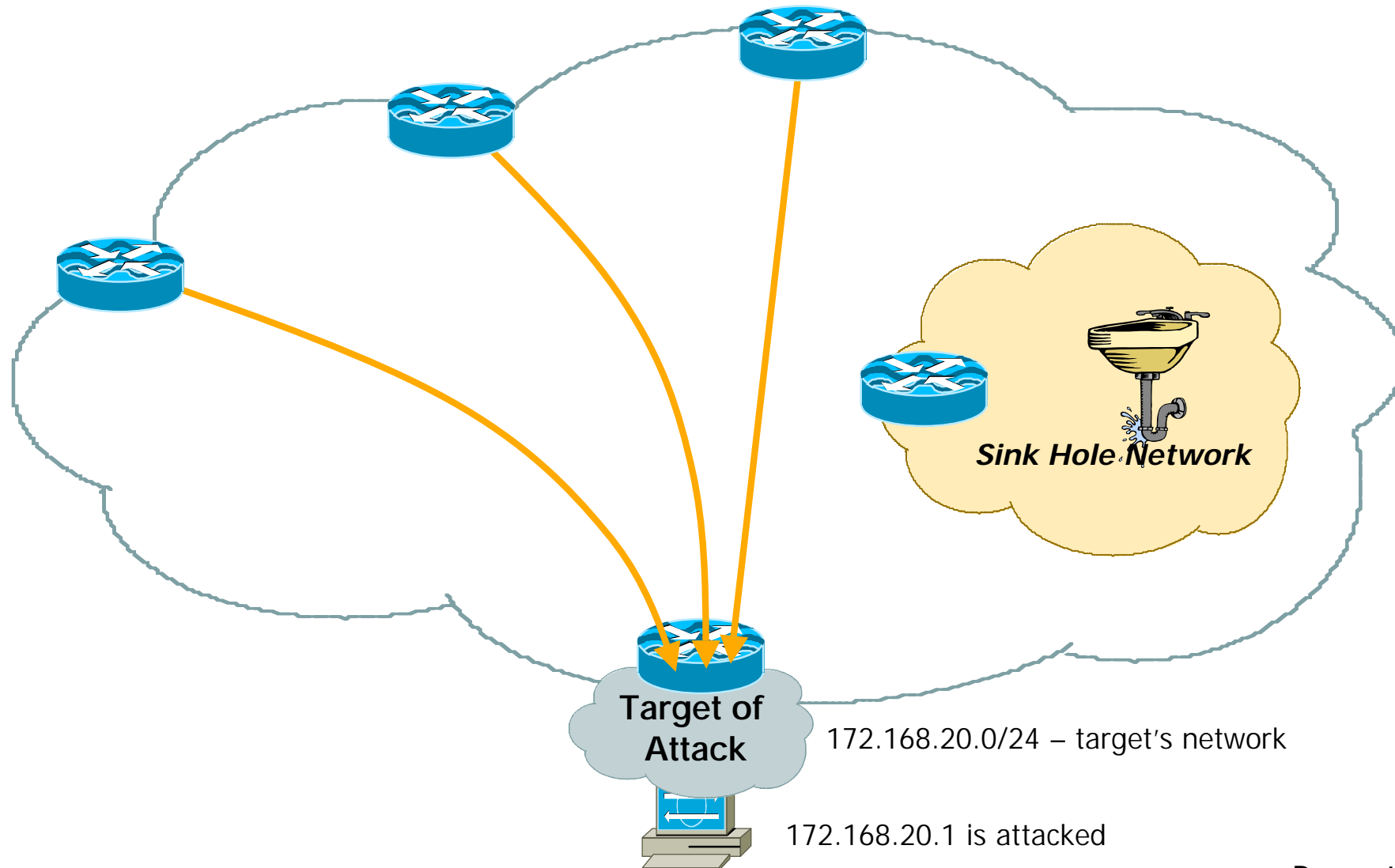


Backscatter Analysis of Attack Noise

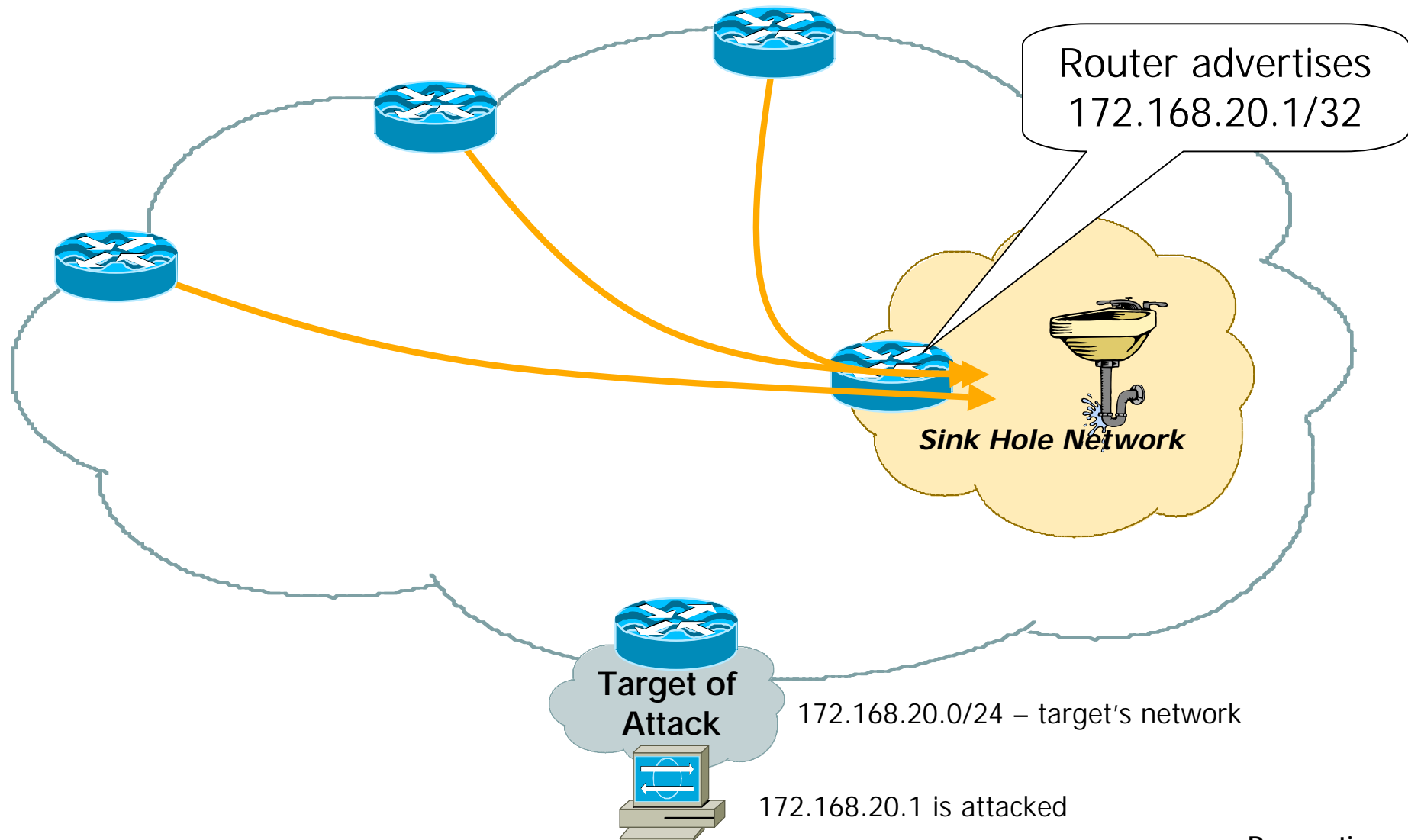
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Sink Hole Routers/Networks



Sink Hole Routers/Networks



Identifying Attacks

- Proactively monitor internal and “dark IP space”
- Build baselines for all traffic to expose anomalous behavior
- Utilize tools that enable network-wide correlation of control and data planes (e.g., CPU utilization, route stability, Netflow, etc..)
- Notify your customers before they notify you—be proactive!

Changes to Network Baselines

- SNMP data
- Unexplained changes in link utilization
 - Worms can generate a lot of traffic, sudden changes in link utilization can indicate an attack or a worm
- Unexplained changes in CPU utilization
 - Attack/Worm scans can affect routers/switches resulting in increased CPU both process and interrupt switched
- Unexplained syslog entries
- These are examples
 - Changes don't always indicate an attack/worm!
 - Need to know what's normal to identify abnormal behavior**

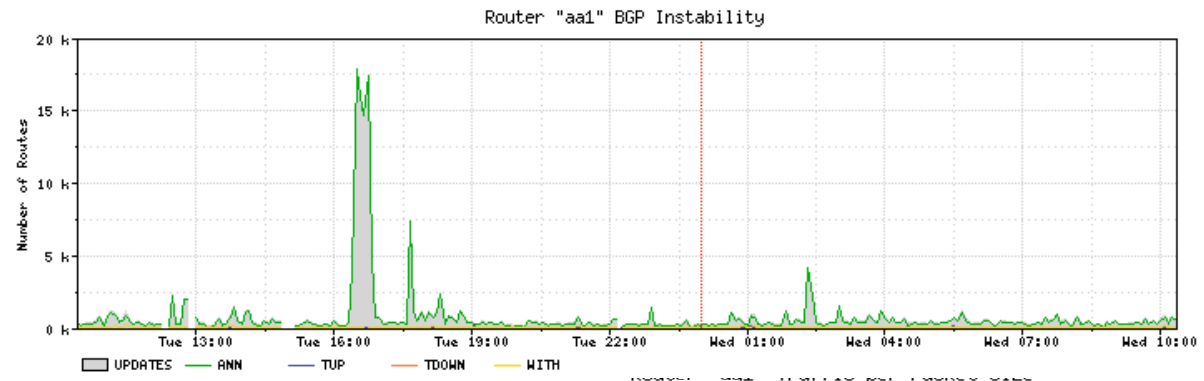
Ways to Identify DoS Attacks

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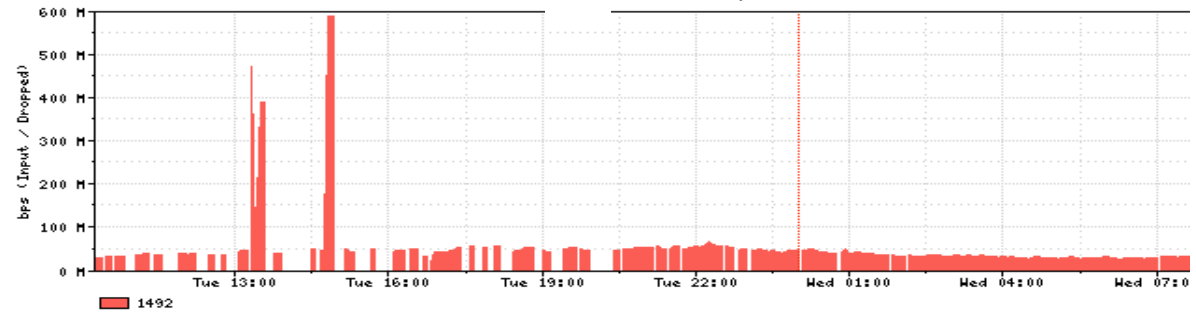
- Customer/End User call
- SNMP: Line/CPU overload, drops
- NetFlow: Counting flows
- ACLs with logging
- Backscatter
- Sniffers
- Anomaly Detector

Identification Examples

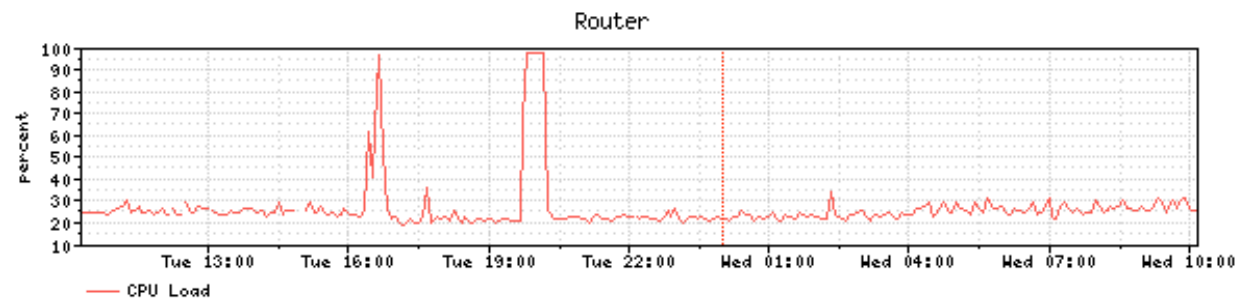
BGP Flaps



Packet Size



CPU



Classification

- **Classification—Understanding the type of attack and what damage is it causing**

You need to know what you (or your customer) are getting hit with

Determines the rest of the incident response

What tools are available?

How can you do this without crashing a router?

Classification

- **What type of attack has been identified?**
- **Qualify and quantify the attack without jeopardizing services availability (e.g., crashing a router):**

What type of attack has been identified?

What's the effect of the attack on the victim(s)?

What next steps are required (if any)?

Ways to Classify DoS Attacks

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- NetFlow: Flow information
- ACLs (maybe with logging)
- Backscatter
- Sniffers
- Anomaly Detector

Classifying DoS with ACLs

- Requires ACLs to be in place (for detection)

Extended IP access list 169

permit icmp any any echo (2 matches)

permit icmp any any echo-reply (21374 matches)

permit udp any any eq echo

permit udp any eq echo any

permit tcp any any established (150 matches)

permit tcp any any (15 matches)

permit ip any any (45 matches)

Found:

- Attack type
- Interface

- Watch performance impact
- Used on demand, not pro-active
- More used for checking than for detection
- Some ASIC based LCs do not show counters

**Looks Like
Smurf Attack**

Traceback

- **Traceback—From where is the attack originating?**

Deterrence works. Traceback a few attacks to their source, capture the attacker, prosecute, and lock them up and you will have a credible deterrence.

Foundation Techniques

How to traceback to the edge of the Network?

How to continue traceback over the ISP – ISP boundary

Traceback

- **Traceback to network perimeter**
 - Netflow**
 - Backscatter**
 - Packet accounting**
 - IP Source**
- **Retain attack data**
 - Use to correlate inter-domain traceback**
 - Required for prosecution**
 - Deters future attacks**
 - Clarify billing and other disputes**
 - Post Mortem Analysis**

Tracing DoS Attacks

- **Non-spoofed: Technically trivial (IRR)**
But: Potentially tracing 100's of sources...
- **Spoofed:**
 - IP Source Tracker: router by router**
 - NetFlow:**
 - Automatic if analysis tools are installed**
 - Manually: Router by router**
 - ACLs:**
 - Has performance impact on some platforms**
 - Mostly manual: Router by router**
 - Backscatter technique:**
 - One step, fast, only for spoofed sources**

The Internet Routing Registry (IRR): Network Info

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```
madrid% whois -h whois.arin.net 64.103.0.0
```

```
OrgName:      Cisco Systems, Inc.  
OrgID:        CISCOS-2  
Address:      170 West Tasman Drive  
City:         San Jose  
StateProv:    CA  
PostalCode:   95134  
Country:      US  
  
NetRange:     64.100.0.0 - 64.104.255.255  
CIDR:         64.100.0.0/14, 64.104.0.0/16  
[...]
```

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TechHandle:   CAH5-ARIN  
TechName:     Huegen, Craig  
TechPhone:    +1-408-526-8104  
TechEmail:    chuegen@cisco.com
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OrgTechName:   Cisco Systems, Inc.  
OrgTechPhone:  +1-408-527-9223  
OrgTechEmail:  dns-info@cisco.com
```

- Europe:
whois.ripe.net
- Asia-Pac:
whois.apnic.net
- USA and rest:
whois.arin.net



**Contact
Information**

The Internet Routing Registry (IRR): AS Info

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madrid% whois -h whois.arin.net as109
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OrgID: CISCOS-2  
Address: 170 West Tasman Drive  
City: San Jose  
StateProv: CA  
PostalCode: 95134  
Country: US
```

```
ASNumber: 109  
ASName: CISCOSYSTEMS  
ASHandle: AS109  
[...]
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TechName: Koblas, Michelle  
TechPhone: +1-408-526-5269  
TechEmail: mkoblas@cisco.com
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- Europe:
whois.ripe.net
- Asia-Pac:
whois.apnic.net
- USA and rest:
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Also, if domain known:
abuse@domain

Tracing Back with Netflow

- Routers need Netflow enabled

```
router1#sh ip cache flow | include <destination>
```

```
Se1 <source> Et0 <destination> 11 0013 0007 159
```

.... (lots more flows to the same destination)

Victim

The flows come from serial 1

```
router1#sh ip cef se1
```

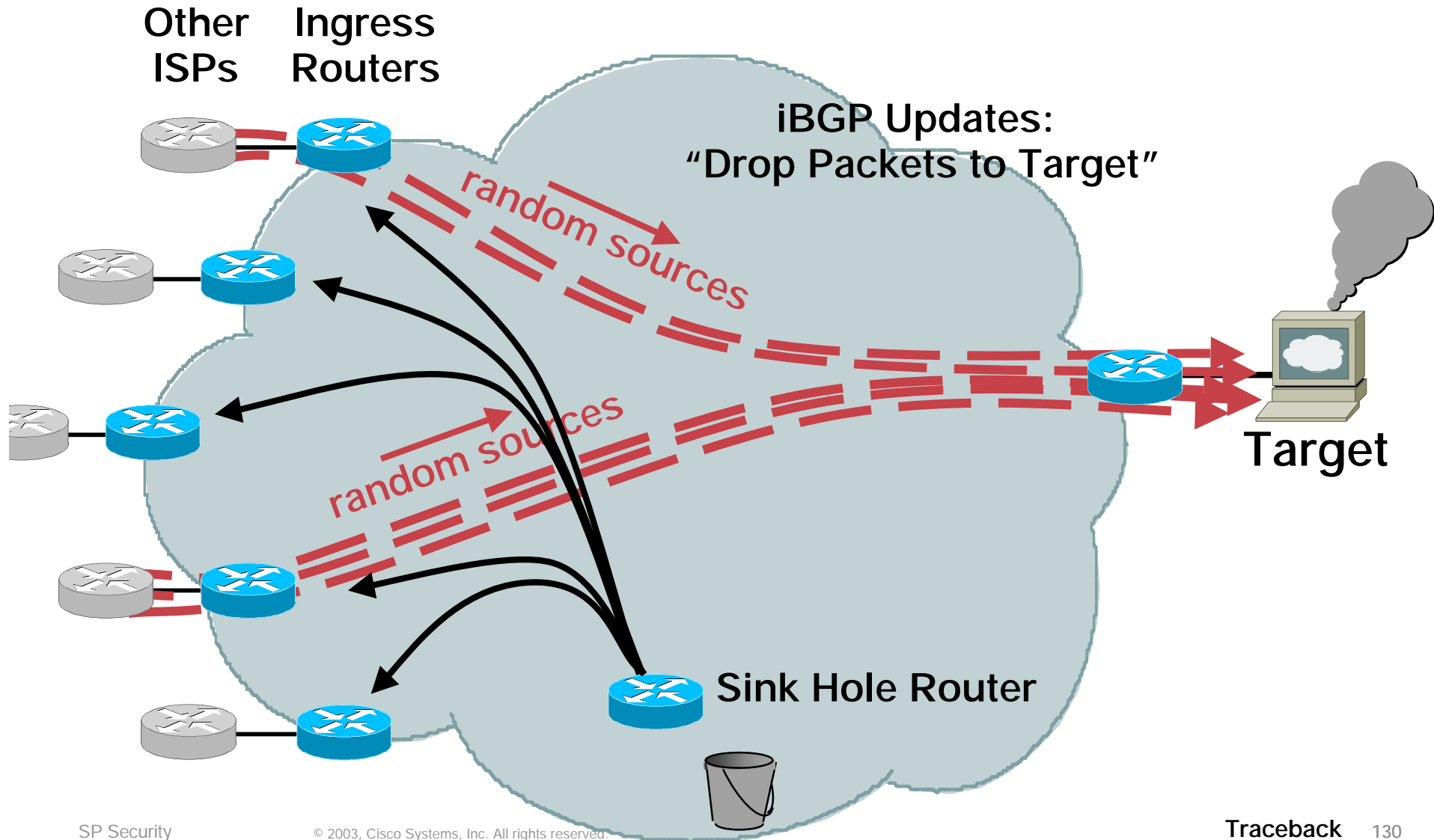
Prefix	Next Hop	Interface
0.0.0.0/0	10.10.10.2	Serial1
10.10.10.0/30	attached	Serial1

Find the upstream router on serial 1

Continue on this router

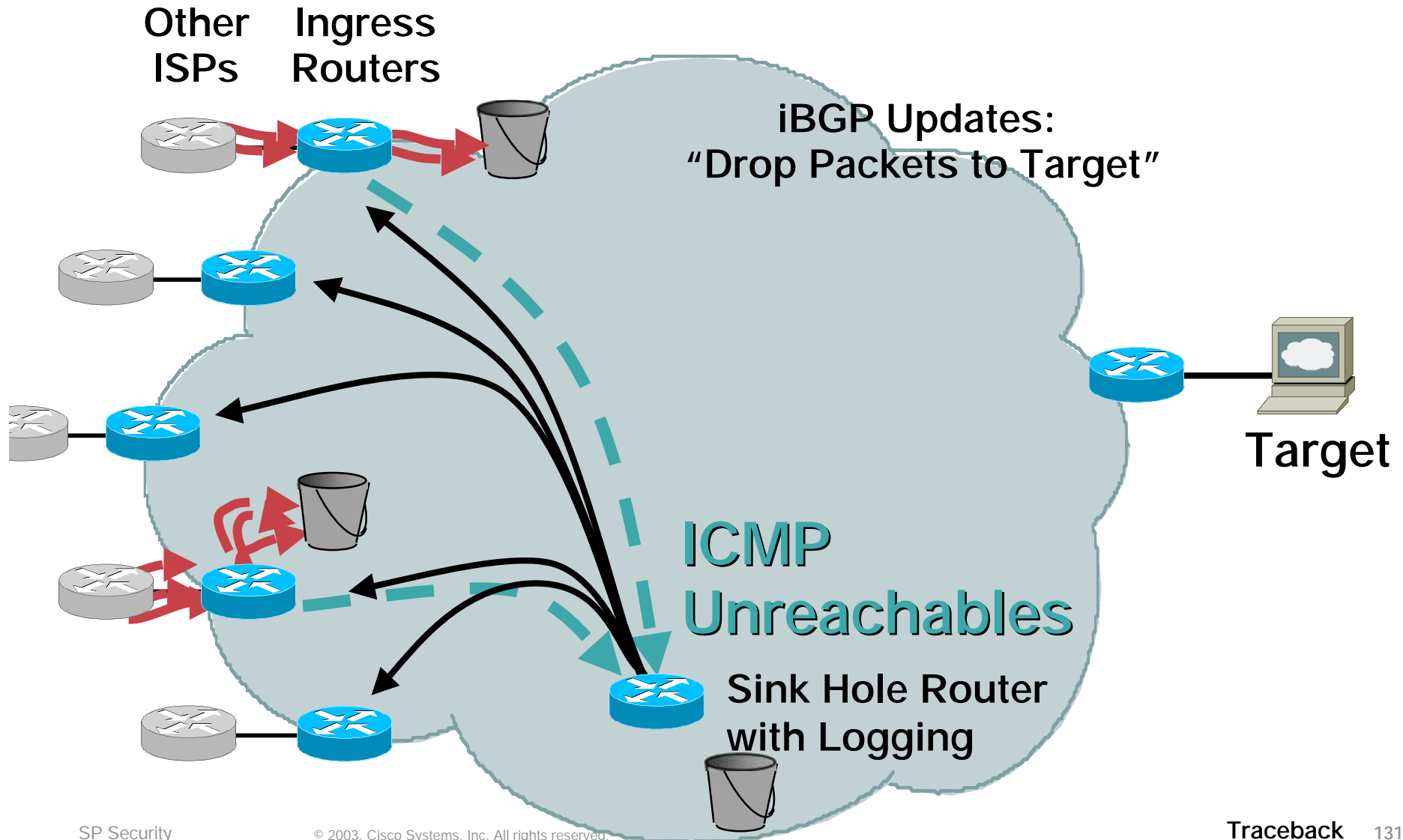
Trace-Back in One Step: ICMP Backscatter

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Reaction - Incident Response Principles

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- 1. Don't Panic!**
- 2. Use A Mitigation Methodology.**
- 3. Do not make drastic changes to the network while the attack/worm is rampant.**

ISP Security Incident Response

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- Given that ISPs are **transit networks**, the way incident response happens is slightly different from other networks.
- More effort is made to mitigate the effects of the attack and trace it back **upstream** to its source.
- Working with ISP Security Teams have demonstrated six distinct phases in the way ISPs response to security incidents.

Capacity as a Solution

- To many sorts of attacks, a common solution is to add **more capacity**
- Not every problem gets solved this way
Think about collateral damage
- Challenge is to solve all the problems in the most economically feasible way

Using IP Routing as a Security Tool

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- ISPs use **routing** to get packets from customers to the Internet
- ISPs use routing to engineer traffic through their network
- ISPs manipulate traffic to get the most out of their available bandwidth
- What is the problem with manipulating bad traffic to get the most out of available bandwidth?

Using IP Routing as a Security Tool

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- IP Routing can be used to manipulate traffic on the ISPs network to:

Null0 (Black Hole)

Shunts

Sink Hole

Analysis Devices

Clean up Devices

Rate-Limit

Using IP Routing as a Security Tool

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- **And it is all done via BGP....**

Uses a BGP “trigger router”

One router on the network connected via an iBGP route reflector that injects “trigger update”

The BGP Update packet

Source Based Remote Triggered Black Hole Filtering

- What do we have?

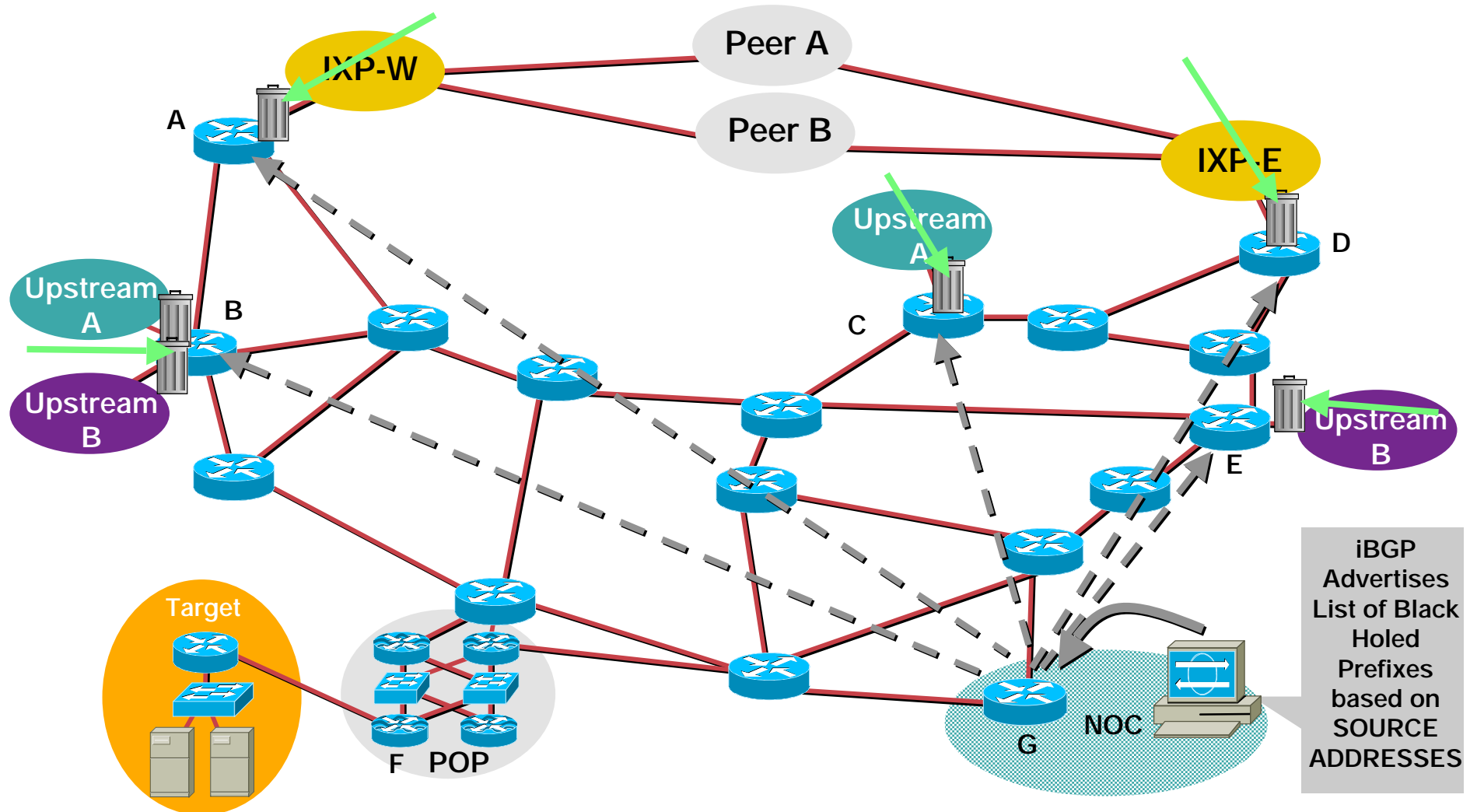
Black Hole Filtering—If the **destination** address equals Null 0 we drop the packet.

Remote Triggered—Trigger a prefix to equal Null 0 on routers across the Network at iBGP speeds.

uRPF Loose Check—If the **source** address equals Null 0, we drop the packet.

- Put them together and we have a tool to trigger drop for any packet coming into the network whose source or destination equals Null 0!

Customer Is DOSed—After

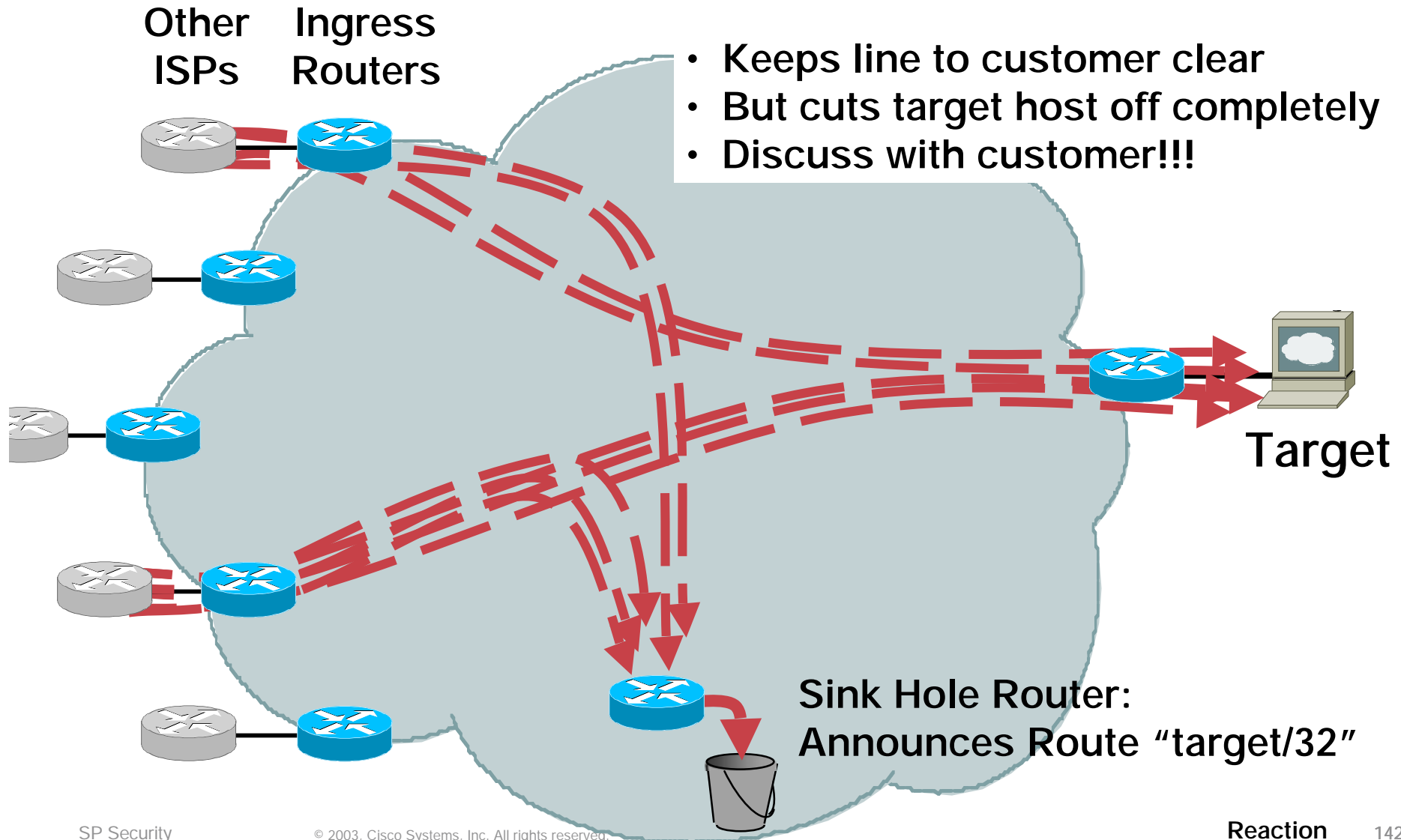


Mitigation: Packet “Scrubbing”

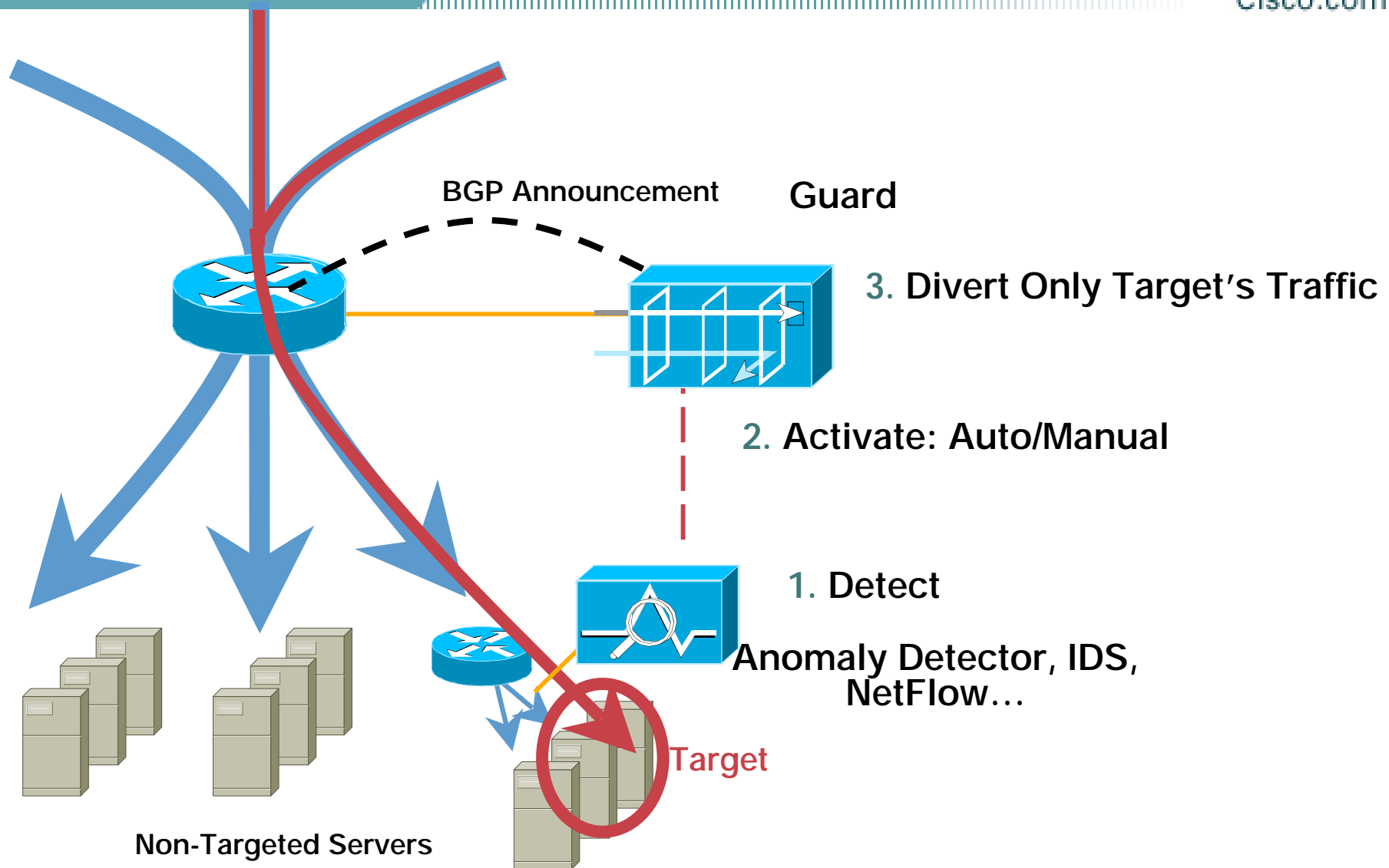
- **Use the same BGP mechanism to redirect traffic to scrubbing devices**
- **Activate redirection:**
 - Redistribute host route for victim into BGP with next-hop set to scrubbing devices
 - Route is propagated using BGP to all BGP speaker and traffic redirected
- **When attack is over, BGP route can be removed to return to normal operation**

Re-Redirecting Traffic from the Victim

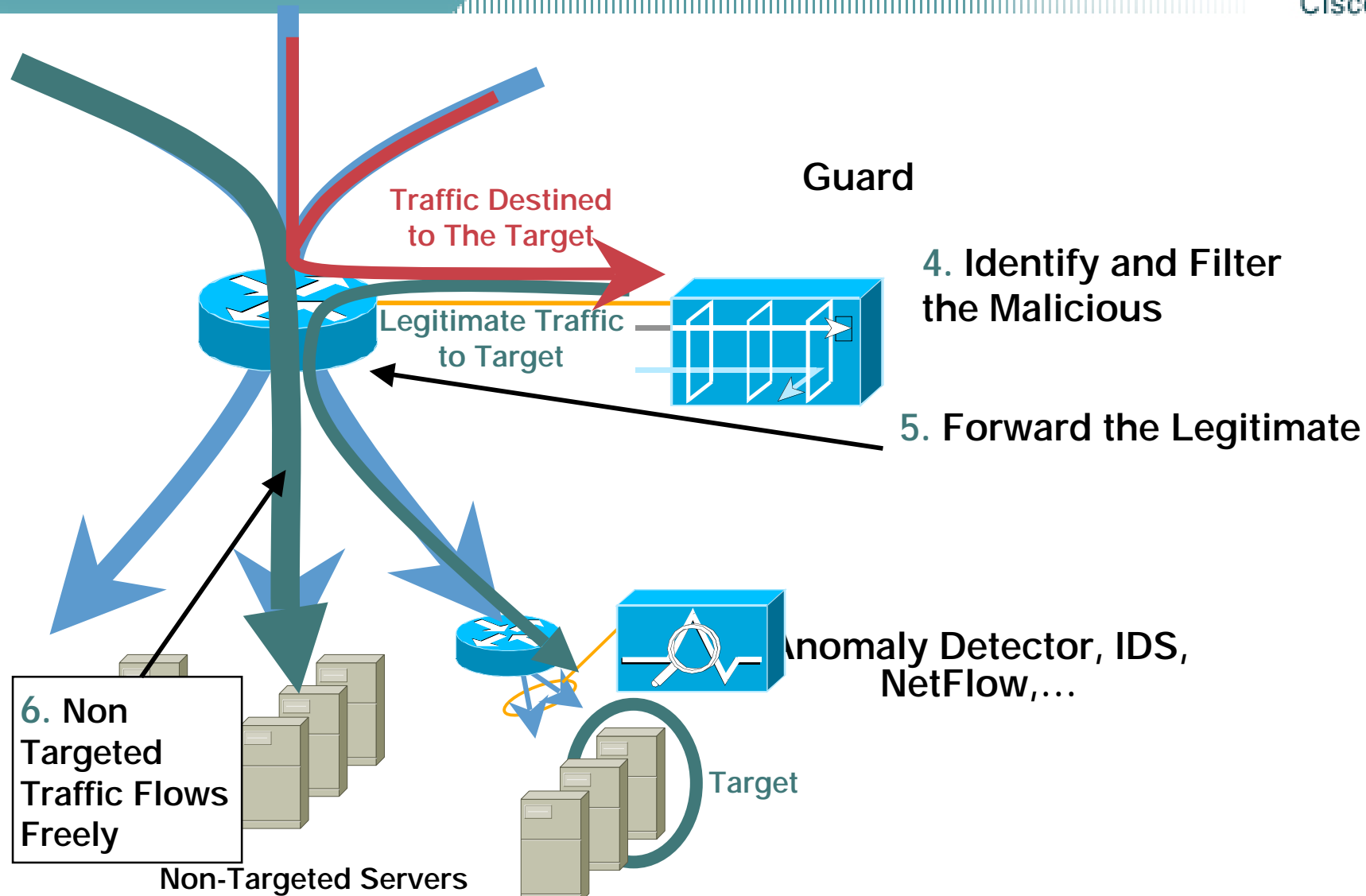
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Guard: Packet Scrubbing



Guard: Packet Scrubbing



Post Mortem

- **Post Mortem—Analyzing what just happened. What can be done to build resistance to the attack happening again**

The step everyone **forgets!**

Was the DOS attack you just handled, the real threat?
Or was it a smoke screen for something else that just happened?

What can you do to make it faster, easier, less painful in the future?

Post Mortem

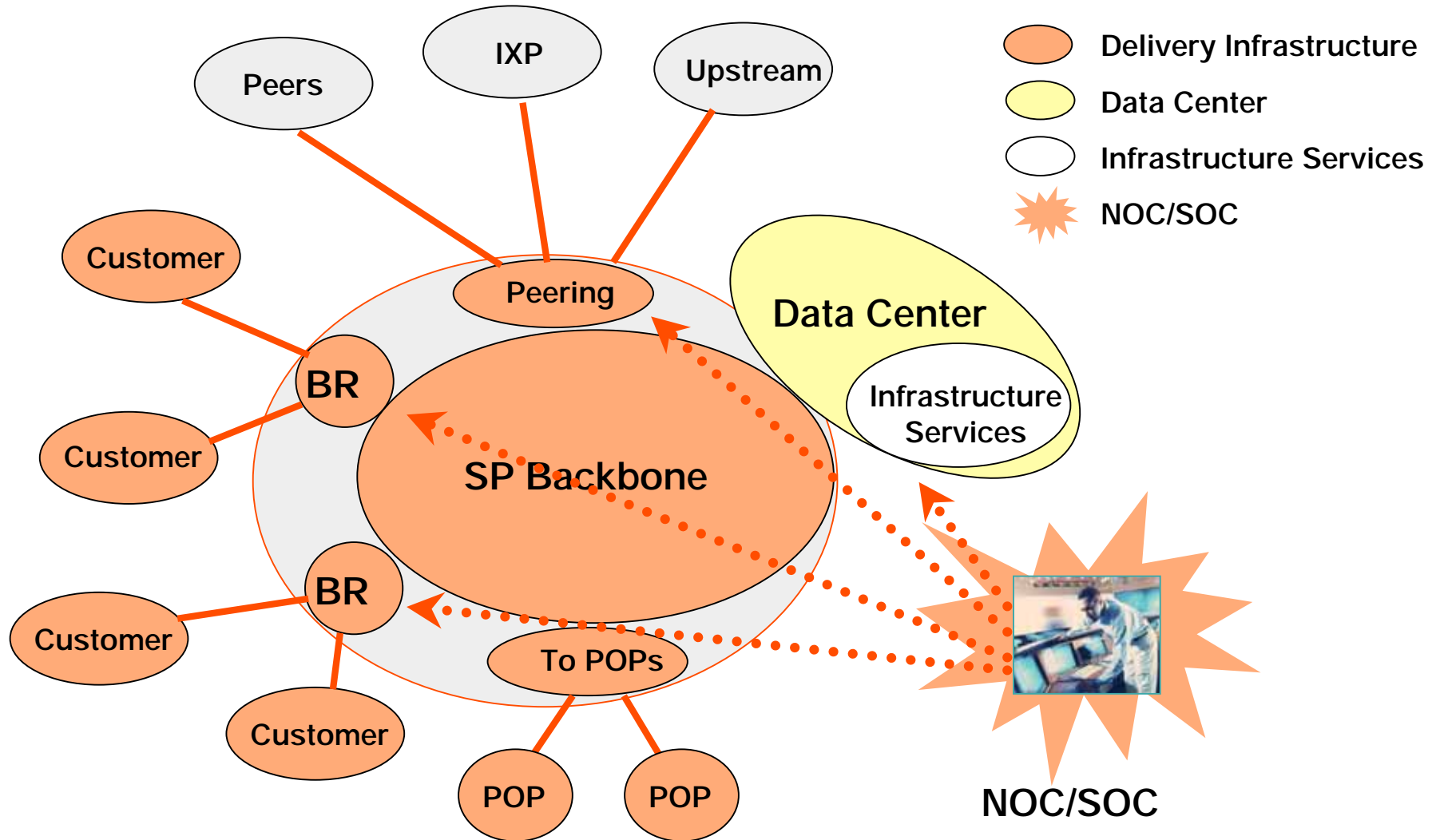
- Analyze data, trends and discuss attack
- Fully history of attack(s), trends, etc..
- Determine what, if anything, could have been done to be better prepared—make appropriate modifications if necessary

Post Mortem Activities

- **Assess Incident Response Team Role**
 - Full Representation?
 - Single/centralized Point of Contact?
- **Review and Update Technical AND Operational Functions and Procedures**
- **Quantify** impact of downtime
 - Financial
 - Operational
- **What can we do better next time?**

The Next Steps- Modular Application of Techniques to SP Infrastructure

SP Network Infrastructure

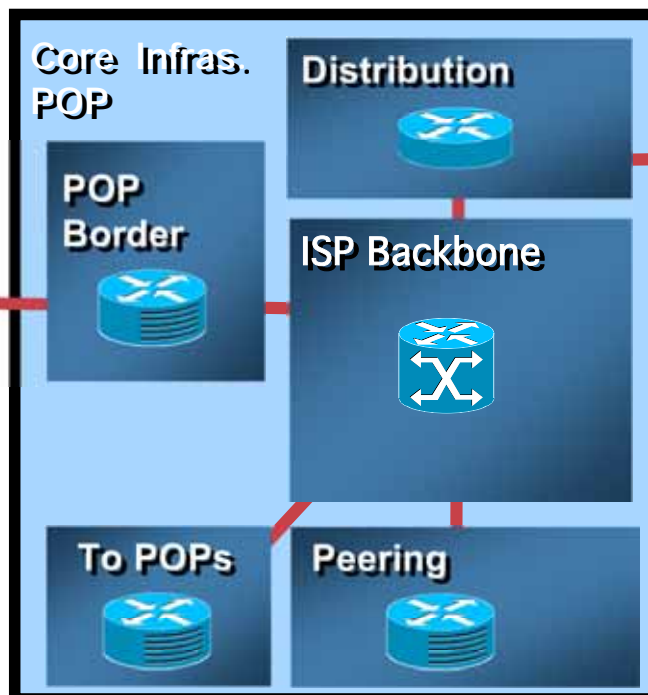


SP Functional Blocks

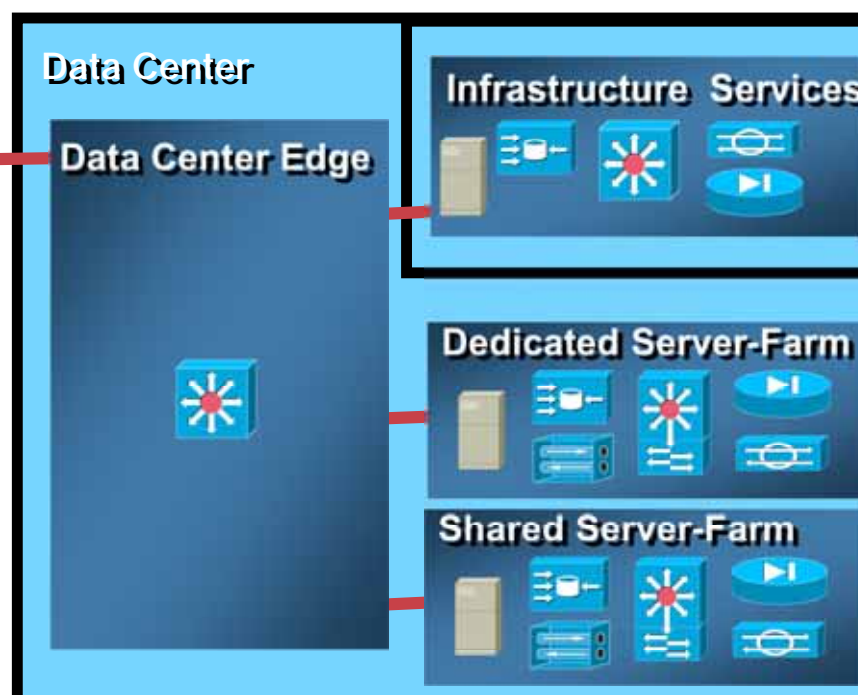
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Module 2



Module 1



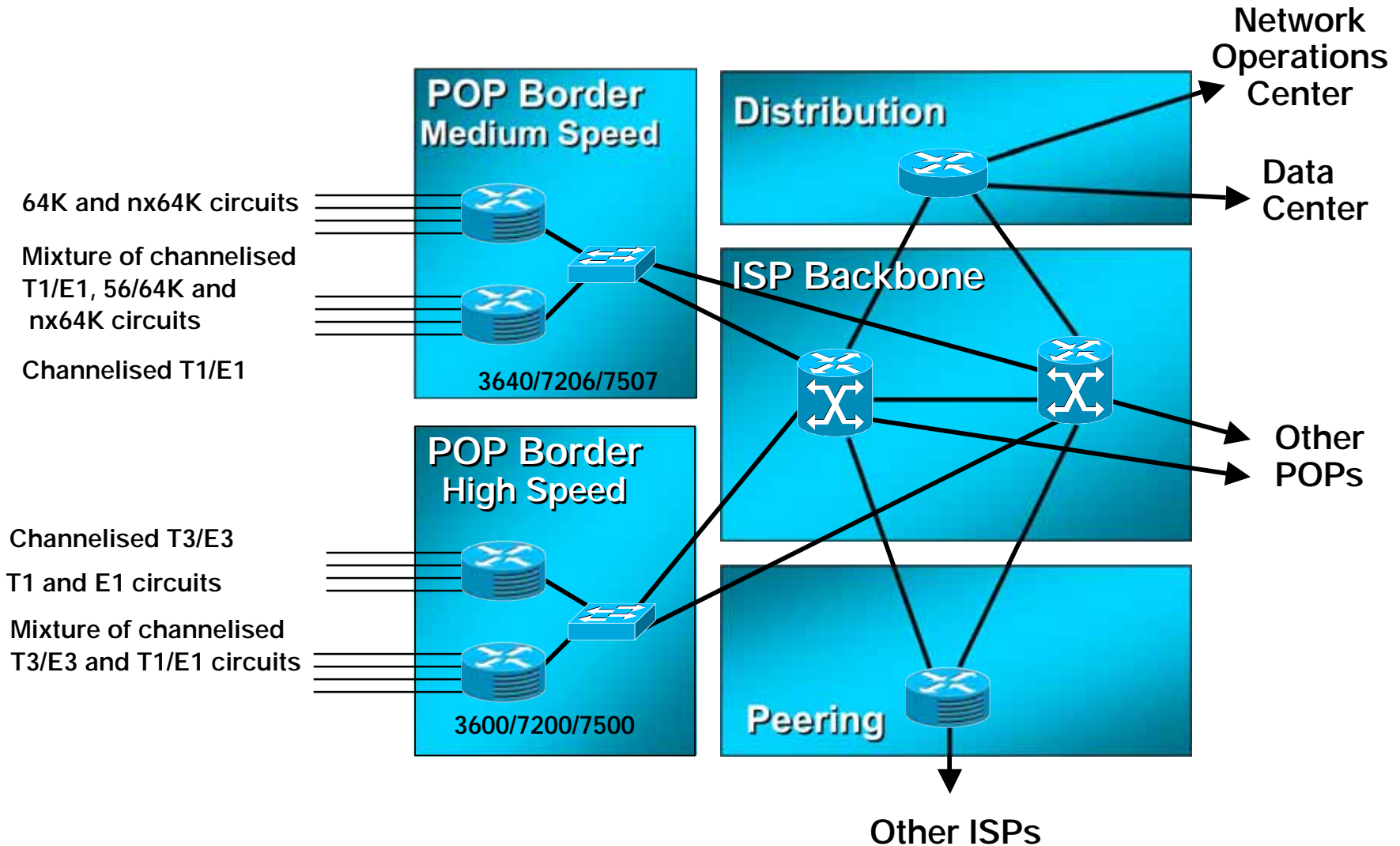
Module 3

Why and the benefits of Modular Design

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- **Systematic approach where security is implemented throughout the network rather than point products**
- **Multiple layers of control provides higher security**
- **It allows you to focus on the most critical areas first**
- **Facilitates the enforcement of the security policy**
- **Contains the effects of attacks**
- **More flexible to adapt to keep up with the always changing threats**

Module I - Typical POP & Core Infrastructure



POP and Core typical threats

- Network Reconnaissance
- Denial of Service
- Viruses and Worms
- IP Spoofing
- Direct Exploits
- Routing Disruption
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Securing POP & Core Infrastructure Module

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- **Harden routers and switches**
Prevents DoS and Direct attacks to routers and switches
- **Secure Dynamic Routing Exchange**
Route Authentication, Route Filters prevent attacks on the Dynamic Routing
- **Deploy packet filters**
Mitigates DoS attacks, spoofed attacks, reconnaissance, viruses/worms and direct attacks
- **Attack detection, traceback and containment**

Securing POP & Core Infrastructure Module

Harden routers and switches

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- **IOS hardening**
 - Set strong passwords
 - Enable secure access
 - Configure banners
 - Disable unnecessary global and interface services
 - Autosecure
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- **Selective Packet Discard (SPD)**
 - Prioritize control packets
- **Control ICMP Unreachable**
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Securing POP & Core Infrastructure Module

Secure Dynamic Routing Exchange

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- **Secure Routing Route Authentication**
 - Plain text
 - HMAC-MD5
- **Control Routing Updates**
 - Dynamic Routing Filter on Customers
 - Dynamic Routing Filter to Peers
 - Dynamic Routing Filter from Peers
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Securing POP & Core Infrastructure Module

Deploy packet filters

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- **Packet Filters**
 - RFC 2827 BCP 38 Packet Filtering (source address spoofing)
 - BCP 38 Ingress Packet Filtering
 - Static BCP 38 Filtering
 - Unicast RPF (strict mode)
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Securing POP & Core Infrastructure Module

Attack detection, traceback and containment

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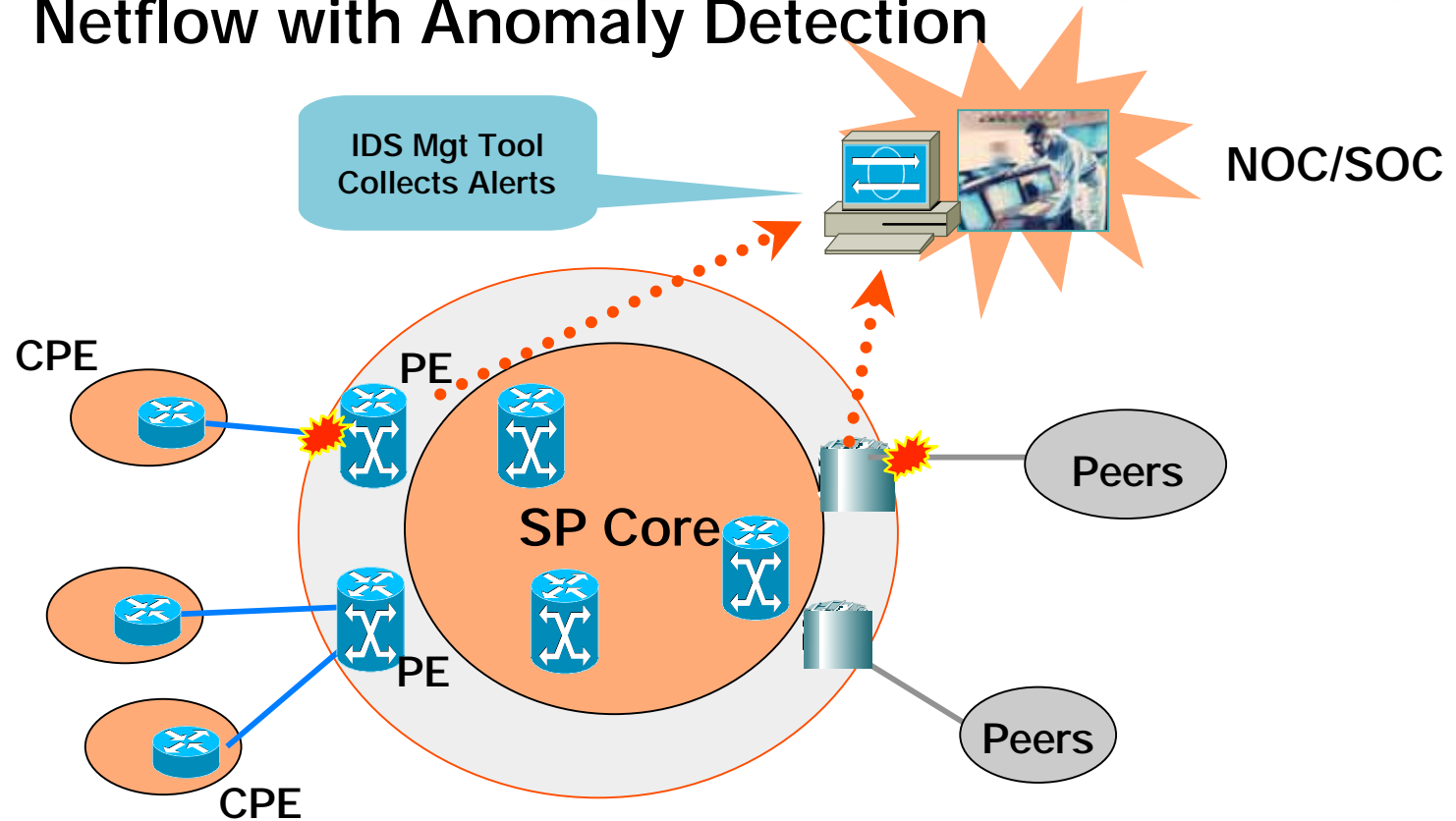
- Netflow
- Intrusion Detection System alerts
- Sink hole routers/networks
- Unusual CPU load – reported via SNMP
- Circuits Saturated
- BGP Session Flapping
- Customer calls
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Securing POP & Core Infrastructure Module

Attack detection, traceback and containment

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Netflow with Anomaly Detection



The IDS uses Netflow to collect data on the flows through the network, looking for matches to known attacks while watching for new *anomalies* in the data flow

Securing POP & Core Infrastructure Module

Attack detection, **traceback** and containment

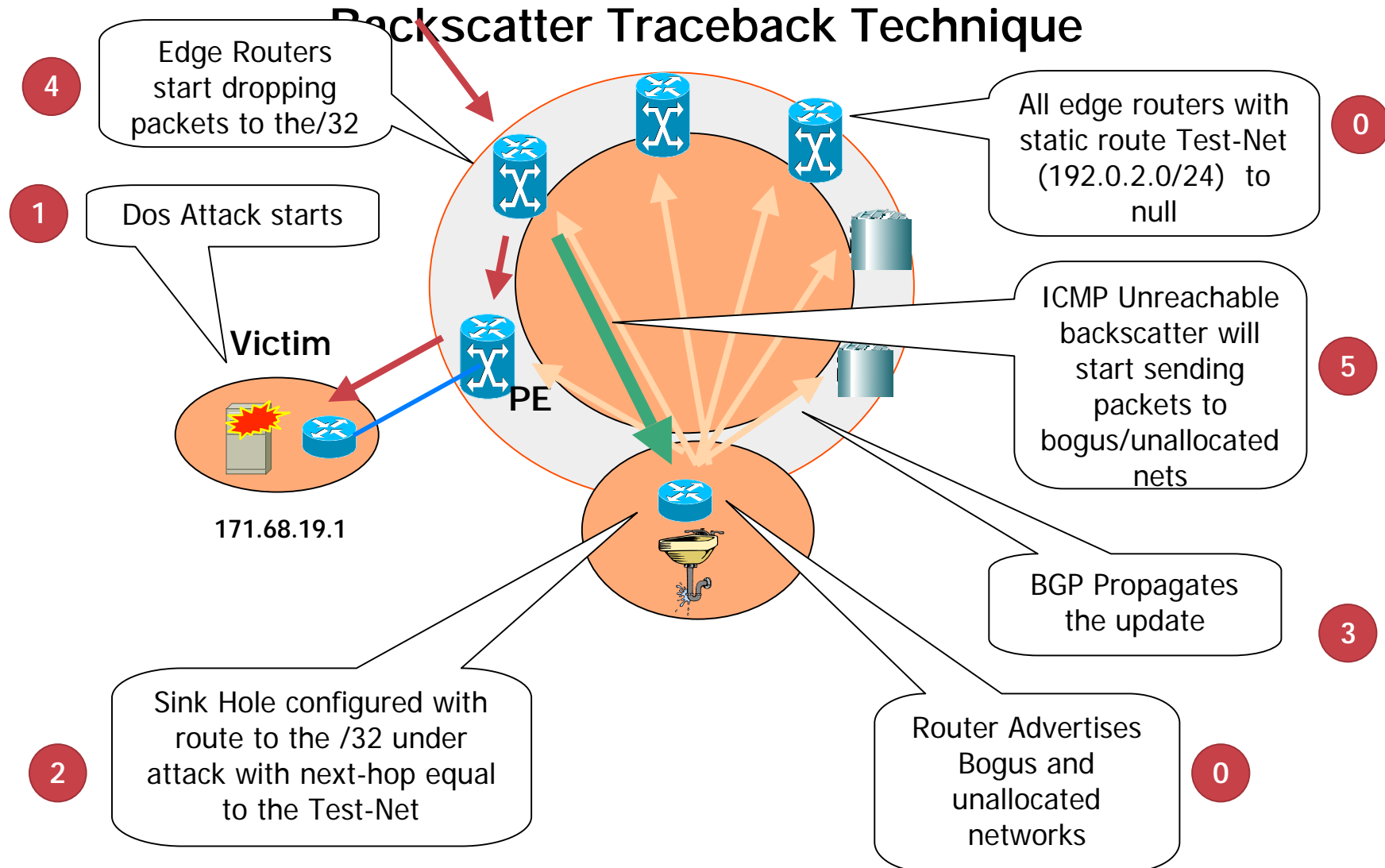
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1. Apply temporary ACLs with **log-input** and examine the logs
2. Query Netflow's flow table
 - No changes to the router while the network is under attack; passive monitoring
 - Scripts can be used to poll and sample throughout the network
 - IDS products can plug into Netflow
 - Working on a MIB for SNMP access
3. **Backscatter Traceback Technique**
 - Reduced Operational Risk to the Network while traceback is in progress.
 - Speedy Traceback
 - Ability to hand off from one ISP to another – potentially tracing back to it's source.

Securing POP & Core Infrastructure Module

Attack detection, **traceback** and containment

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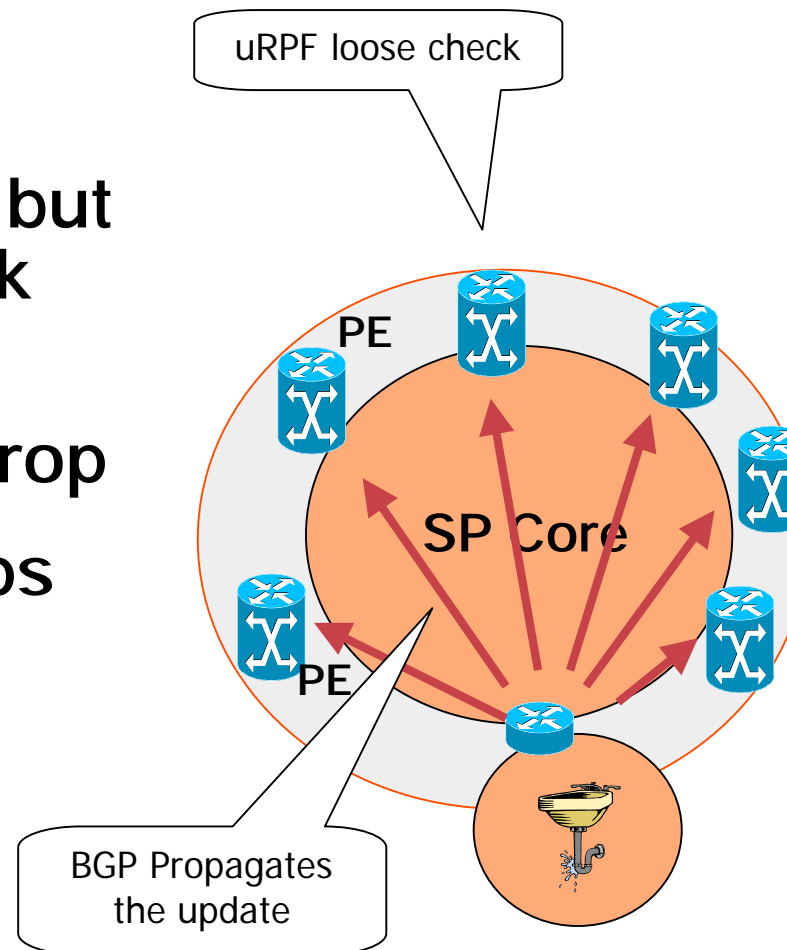
Attack detection, traceback and **containment**

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- **ACLs—Manual upload/dynamic upload**
- **uRPF—Remote trigger via BGP**
- **CAR—Manual upload or remote trigger via BGP**
- **.....**

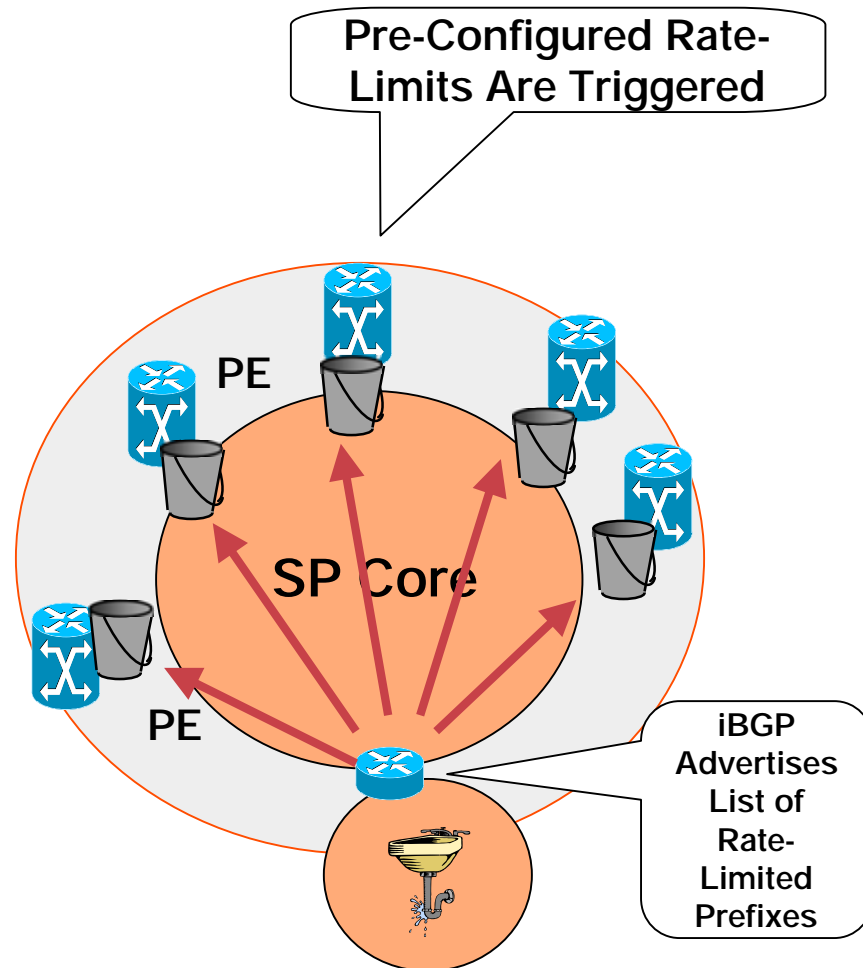
Remote Triggered uRPF

- Same as Backscatter Traceback Technique but with uRPF loose check on all border routers
- If source = null then drop
- static to null also drops on destination



Remote Triggered CAR

- **Quality Policy Propagation with BGP (QPPB) empowers CAR to use updates triggered by BGP. This enables a network protocol to trigger the rate limits on source/destination**



Module II - Secure Customer Premises

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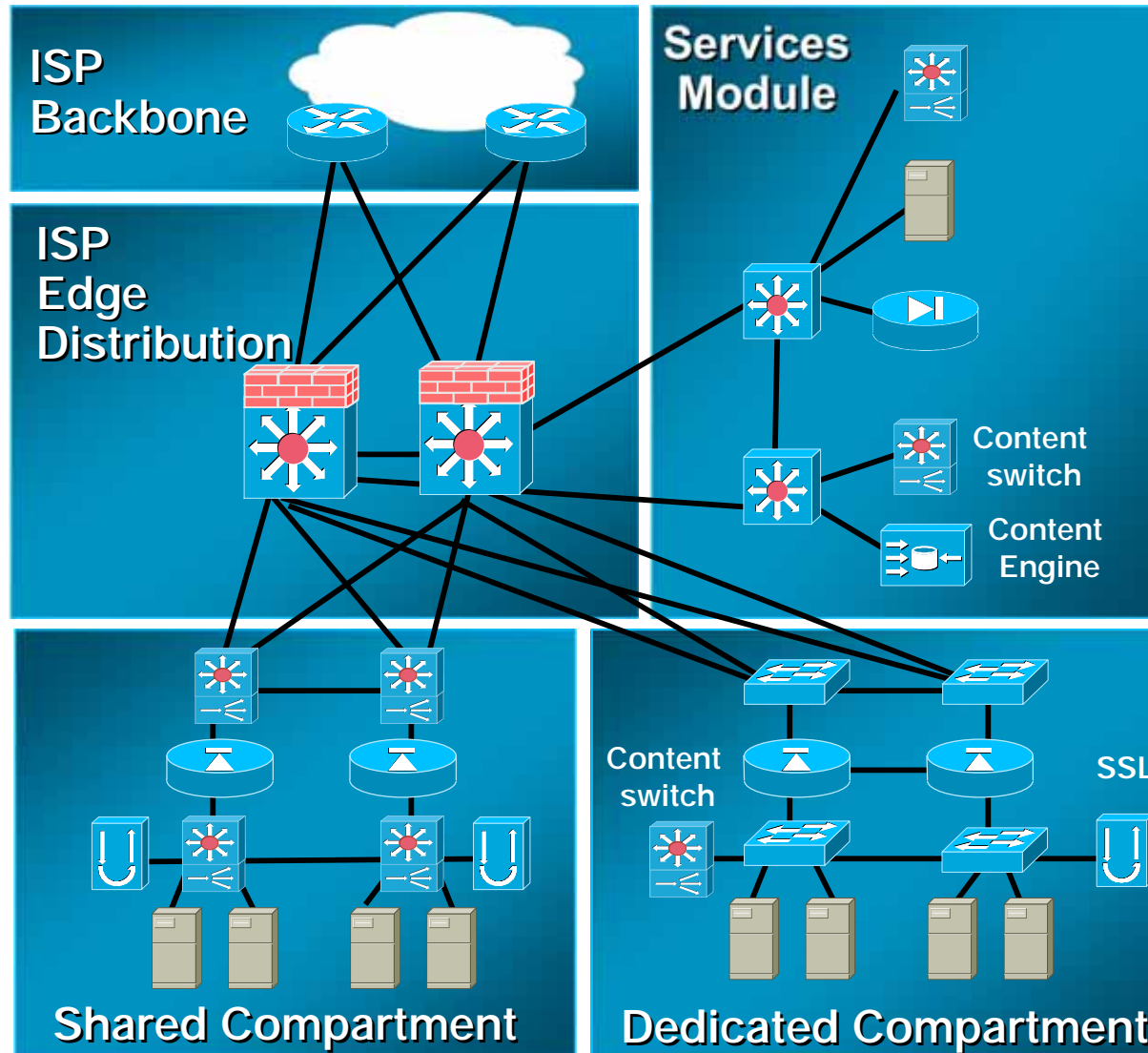
- **Secure deployment and provisioning**
- **Secure management and configuration**
- **Integrated Security at the CPE**

Secure Provisioning and Deployment

Provisioning and deployment are the phases in which the devices are the most vulnerable:

- **Not all devices come with secure defaults**
- **Initial configurations may include more items than needed for initial setup (i.e. unnecessary services)**
- The protocols and applications used for initial configuration may not be secure
- Deployment may not include the authentication of the new device
- Pre-configure the new device with a secure configuration prior to its deployment (consider even before shipping)
- Once connected, use secure access for initial setup
- **For high volume deployments use a hierarchical management solution**
- **Access Control\Authorization Using AAA**

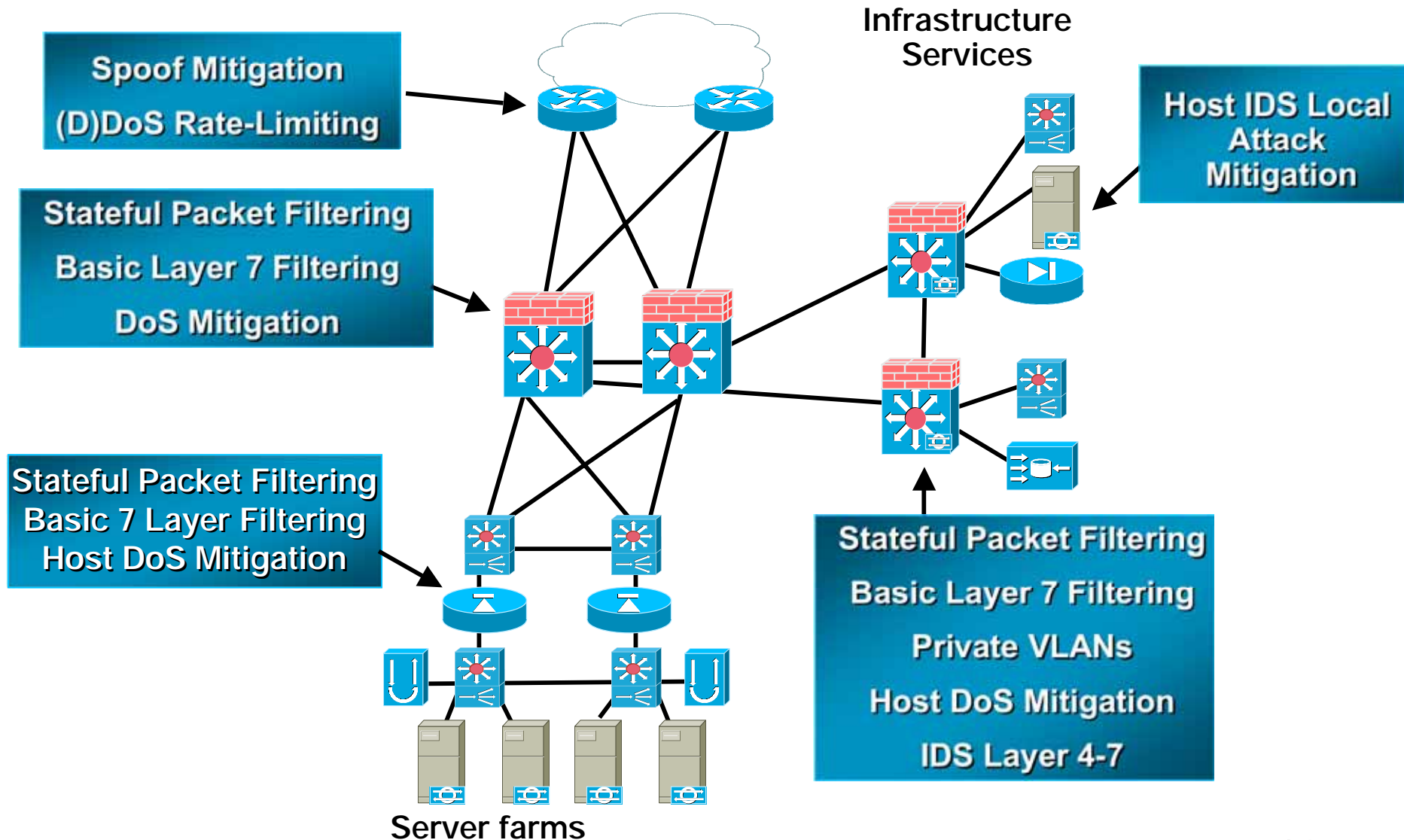
Module III - Secure Data Center



IDC Security Highlights

- **Core, Distribution, Access model**
- **Resilience at layer 2 and 3**
- **Uses Scaling Modules**
- **Provides Baseline Content Services**
- **Access: Layer 2 VLAN separation**
- **Distribution: Aggregate VLANs, routing and layer 3 filtering**
- **Core: Provides L3 connectivity**

Secure Data Center Design



Module IV - Secure NOC/SOC module

- **Protect the NOC**

 - Separate physical networks (NOC vs. campus)

 - Separate address space (192.168.25x.xxx)

 - Not routed anywhere else

 - Firewall between management subnet and rest of SP campus

 - Chokepoint to protect NOC functions

 - NIDS and HIPS on the management subnet

 - One-Time Passwords (OTPs) for authentication of administrators

 - IPSec for remote administrative access to the NOC

Module IV - Secure NOC/SOC module - cont'd

- Secure remote management of CPE devices

Consider Out-Of-Band (**OOB**) management network

Dedicated physical management interfaces on all remote managed devices

Alternatively a high availability backup option

Secure **transport**

IPsec for always-up SNMP\MIB\syslog access

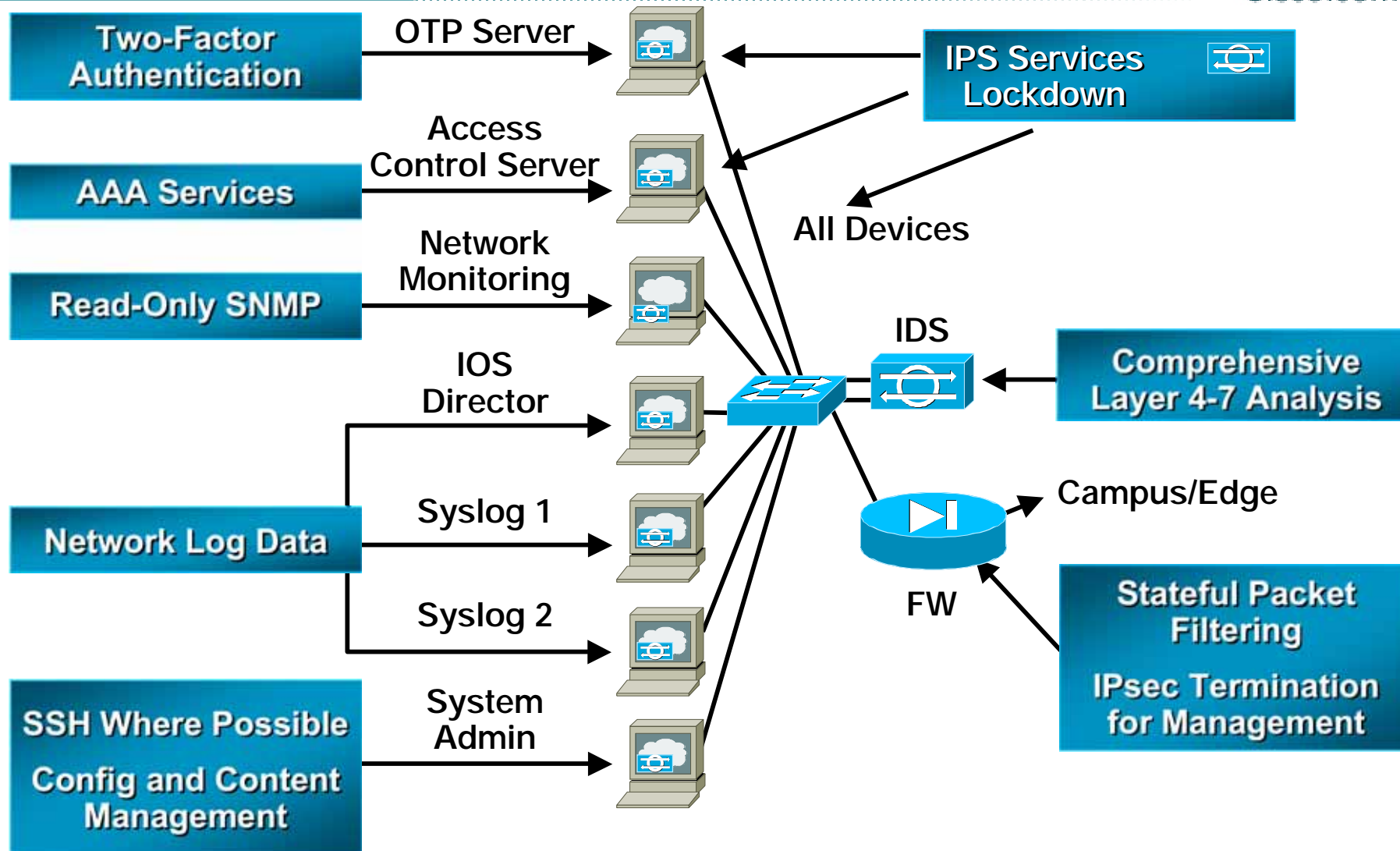
SNMP read-only

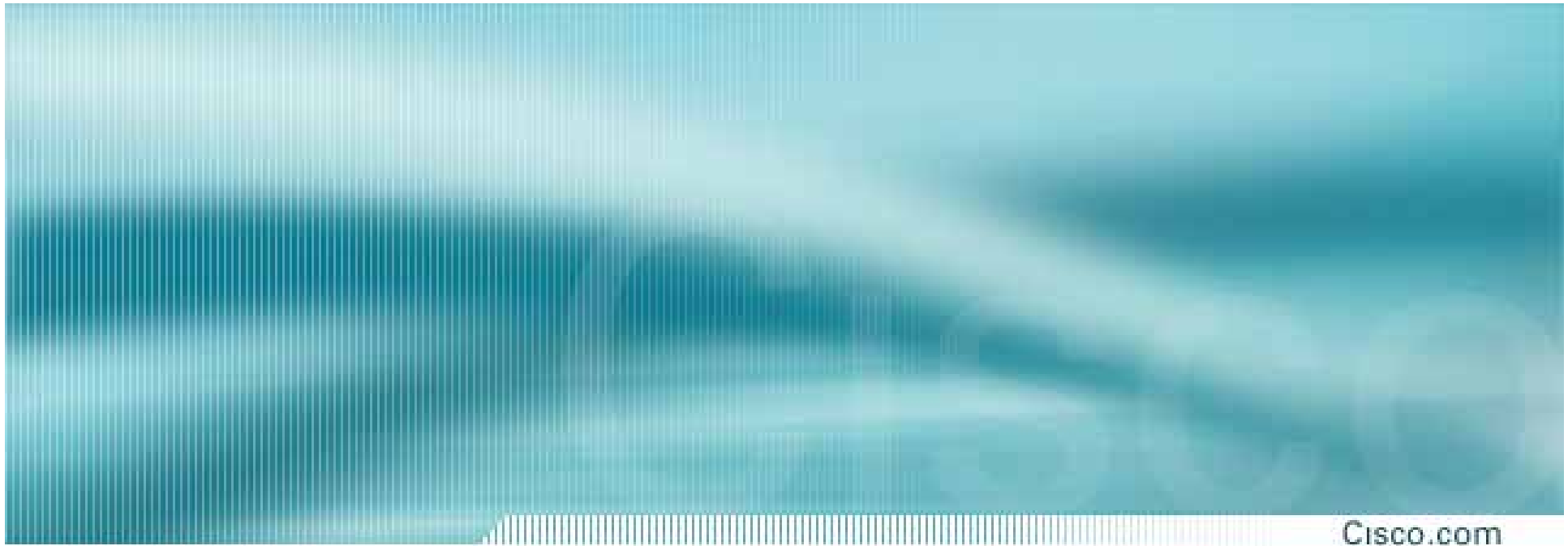
Pre-shared keys (no wildcard) or PKI

SSL, SSH, or IPsec RA for troubleshooting

Secure NOC/SOC module Design

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Wireless Security A Quick Glance


Wireless LAN Security Hierarchy

Open Access
No Encryption,
Basic Authentication



Public "Hotspots"

Basic Security
40-bit or 128-bit
Static WEP Encryption



Home Use

Enhanced Security
WPA, 802.1X,
TKIP Encryption,
Mutual Authentication,
Dynamic Keys



Business

Remote Access

Virtual Private Network (VPN)



Business Traveler, Telecommuter

Basic Wireless LAN Security

802.11 Security Vulnerabilities

- **Shared, static Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) keys**
 - No centralized key management
 - Poor protection from variety of security attacks
- **No effective method to deal with lost or stolen client adapters**
 - Possessor of client adapter has access to WLAN and any network resource for which no network logon is required
 - Re-keying of all WLAN devices is required
- **Lack of integrated user administration**
 - No central authentication entity
 - Potential to identify user by MAC address, not username
 - No usage accounting and auditing. No means to detect unusual activity
- **Lack of effective message integrity**
 - Management and data frames use ineffective CRC for integrity check.

Wireless LAN Security Authentication and Encryption

- Authentication

- IEEE 802.11 Authentication: Open or shared-key – Not secure
- Static **WEP** Keys – Unable to send or receive without correct keys. Device can be stolen. Keys can be cracked
- **MAC** Address Authentication – **Device-based**. Address can be spoofed
- IEEE **802.1X**: EAP Types – LEAP, EAP-FAST, PEAP and EAP-TLS, EAP-TTLS. Component of new standard for WLAN security. Supports mutual authentication and dynamic, per-user, per-session encryption keys
- Wi-Fi Protected Access (**WPA**) - 802.1X is a required component of the WPA standard. WPA is tested with EAP-TLS but works with all EAP types including Cisco LEAP.

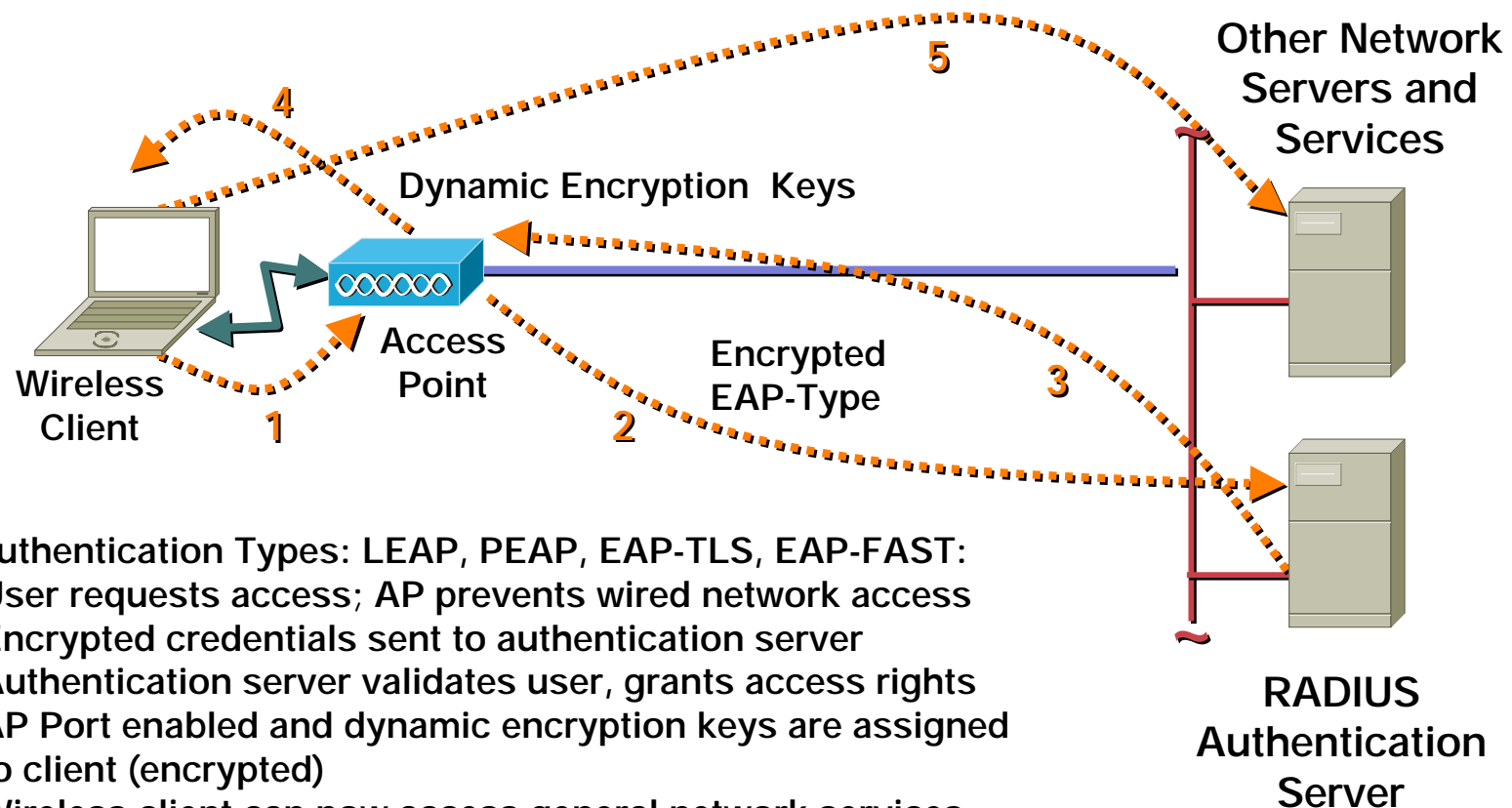
- Encryption

- IEEE 802.11 **WEP** - Standard for encryption
 - Uses RC4 algorithm - known vulnerabilities
 - Keys can be **static** and shared among many clients or, as with 802.1X, keys can be **dynamic** and unique for each client
- Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (**TKIP**): Enhancements to RC4-based WEP
 - Cisco TKIP and WPA TKIP available
 - Key Hashing or Per-packet keying, Message Integrity Check (MIC) and Broadcast Key Rotation
- Advanced Encryption Standard (**AES**)

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802.1X Protocol in WLAN Environment

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EAP Authentication Types: LEAP, PEAP, EAP-TLS, EAP-FAST:

1. User requests access; AP prevents wired network access
2. Encrypted credentials sent to authentication server
3. Authentication server validates user, grants access rights
4. AP Port enabled and dynamic encryption keys are assigned to client (encrypted)
5. Wireless client can now access general network services securely

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802.1X for 802.11 Benefits

- Open, extensible and **standards** based solution
- Leverages existing standards: EAP (Extensible Authentication Protocol), RADIUS
- Strong authentication with support for a variety of authentication types
- User-based identification
- **Dynamic** key management
- Better multicast capability
- **Centralized** policy control - authentication, authorization and accounting
- Session timeout triggers re-authentication and new encryption key

New Security Enhancements Mitigate Network Attacks

Attack	Authentication: Open Encryption: Static WEP	Authentication: Cisco LEAP, EAP-FAST, EAP-TLS or PEAP Encryption: Dynamic WEP	Authentication: Cisco LEAP, EAP-FAST, EAP-TLS or PEAP Encryption: Cisco TKIP, WPA-TKIP, AES
Man-in-the-Middle	Vulnerable	Vulnerable	Protected**
Authentication Forging	Vulnerable	Protected	Protected
Weak Key Attacks	Vulnerable	Vulnerable	Protected
Packet Forgery	Vulnerable	Vulnerable	Protected
Brute Force Attacks	40-bit WEP Vulnerable	Protected *	Protected *

* Cisco LEAP requires strong passwords

** PEAP vulnerable when used with legacy authentication

Protected from War Driving

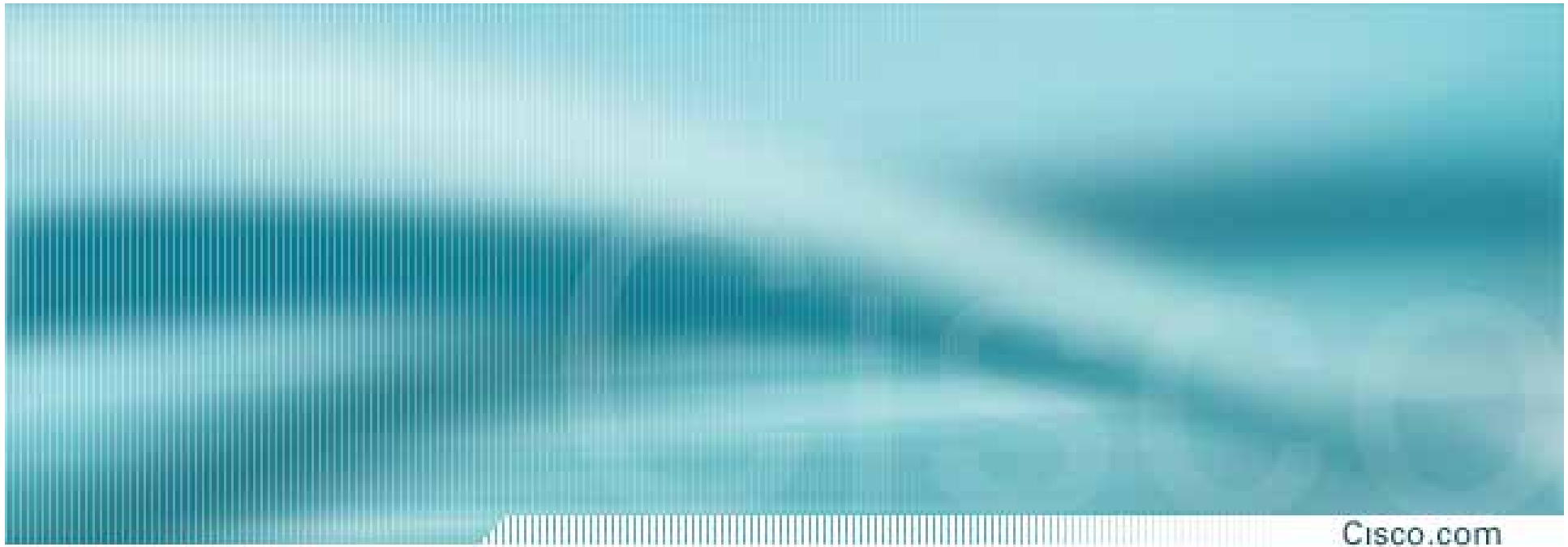
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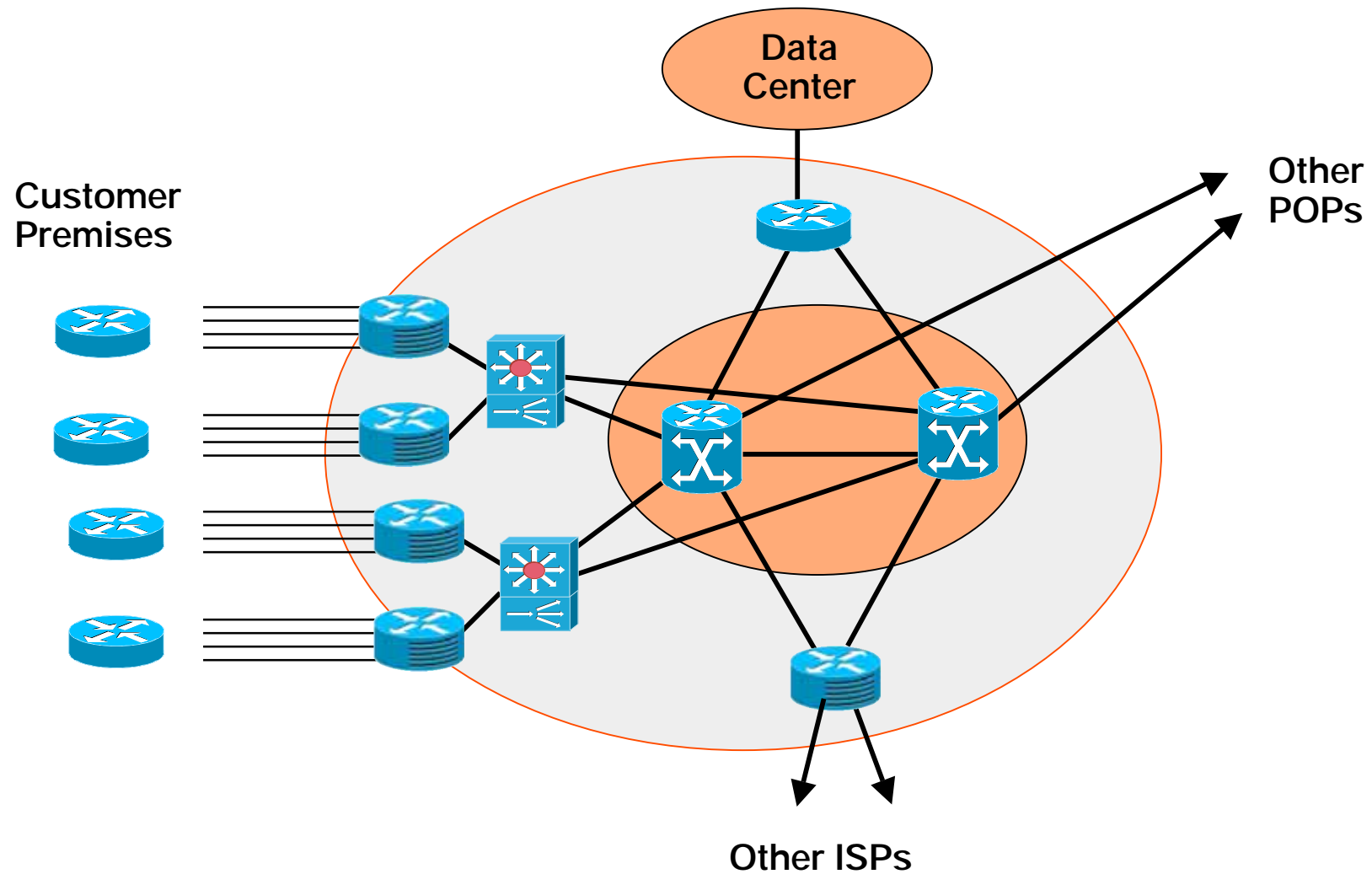
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Case Study

Example Customer Profile

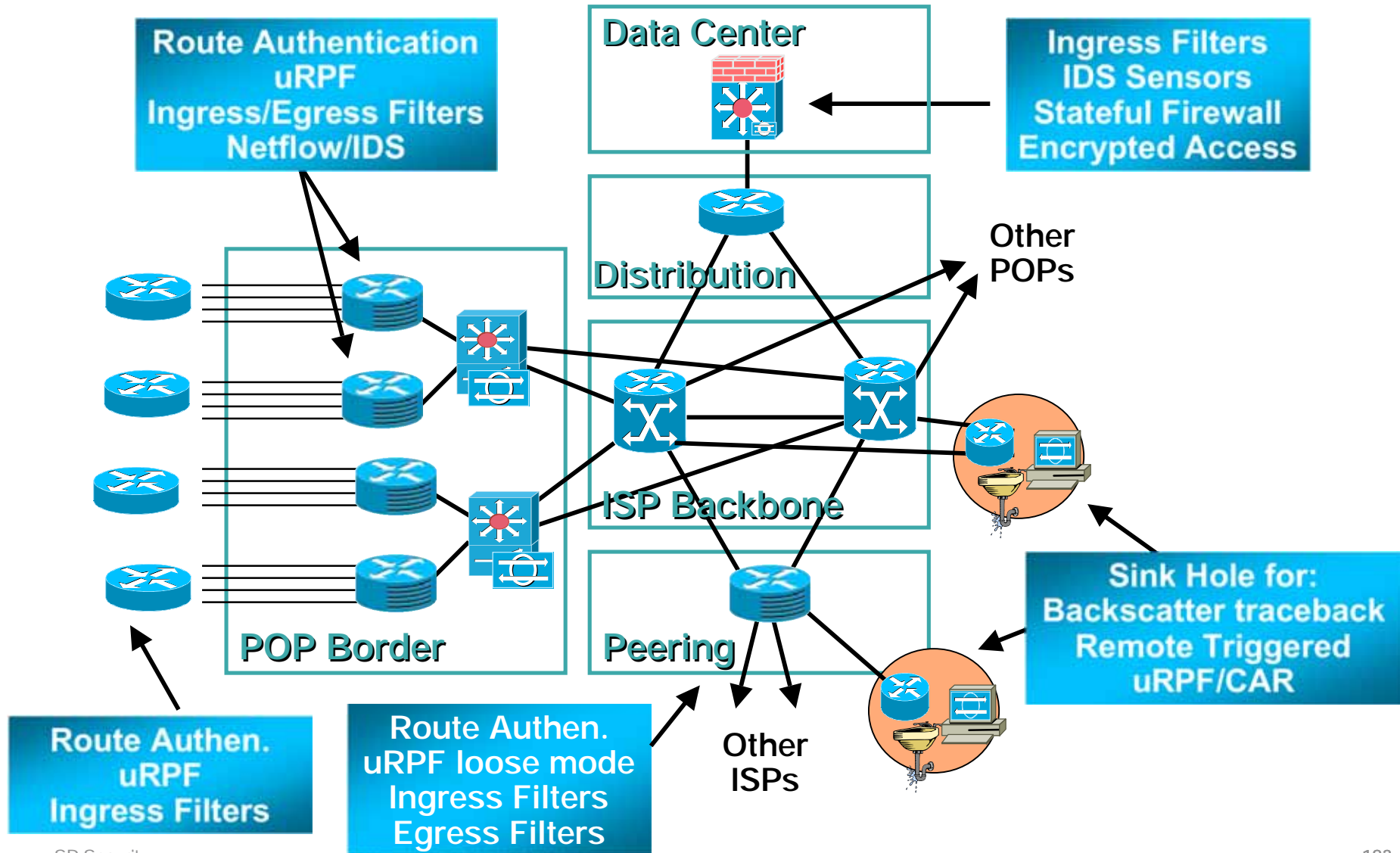
- Major US Service Provider
- Services:
 - Broadband Internet Access
 - IP VPNs
 - VoIP
 - Web Hosting
- Incident Response Team deals with 1 DoS a day in average

Example Customer Network Topology



Example Customer Security Modular Design

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What have they done to improve?

Attack Detection

Before:

- check resources such as CPU, input queues
- Backscatter analysis using tools such as snoop and tcpdump
- Use ACLs to confirm attacks.

Now:

- Netflow at border routers.
- IDS Sensors at Data Center and aggregation points

Results:

- More attacks are being detected
- Attack detection and mitigation times have been significantly reduced

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Traceback source of attacks

Before:

- Hop by hop using ACLs with logging.

Now:

- Backscatter Traceback Technique

Results:

- Traceback in minutes
- Works under large scale attacks
- Easy to hand over to peer SPs

Conclusions

- What we covered-
 - Challenges, Trends, Threats
 - Telemetry, Techniques, Application
- SP Security is a real issue, need an **integrated** system
- Integrate security throughout the network, not point products
- Define Security **Policies** and related **Procedures**
- **Telemetry** – Get a grip on what's going on
- **Modularize** – Break the tasks into layered items

The Last Word...



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- New threats enter, old threats leave, but the core risk mitigation strategies stay the same
- However, the shift from **Fame to Profit** as the dominant motivation is changing the paradigm of threat management
- Tomorrow's threats will be different than today's—plan ahead to maintain flexibility

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