



**Ferramentas de Ataques de DDoS e a  
Evolução de ameaças a disponibilidade contra  
serviços Internet**

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# Agenda

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- The Affect of DDoS on Business
- DDoS Statistics, Motivations and Tools
- Understanding DDoS
- Protecting Your Network Against the DDoS Threat

# Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)



Filling up your network capacity

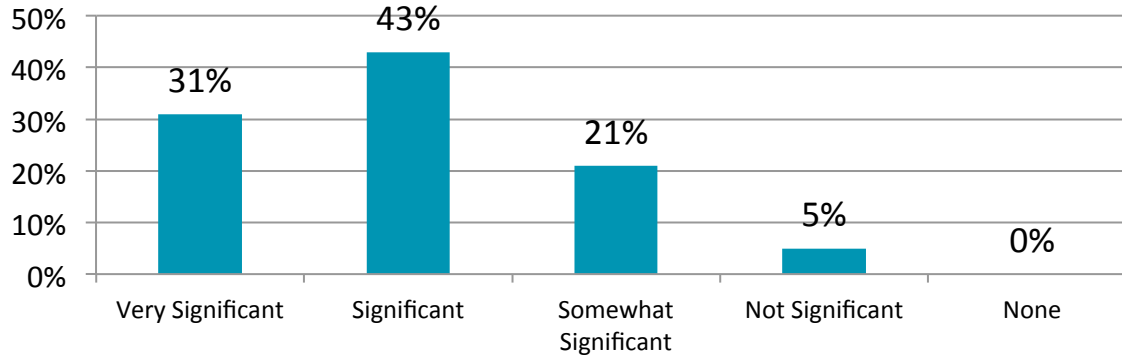
# Direct Effects of DDoS

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- Internet services off-line!
- Internet services slowed to a crawl!
- Database congested!
- Internet connection down!
- Network infrastructure overwhelmed!
- DNS down!
- VOIP down!
- Email down!
- Gaming Server down!

# Impact of DDoS Attacks on the Business

Bar Chart 9: Significance of revenue loss resulting from website downtime for one hour



Source: Ponemon Institute – 2010 State of Web Application Security

**Botnets & DDoS attacks cost an average enterprise \$6.3M\* for a 24-hour outage!**

\* Source: McAfee – Into the Crossfire – January 2010

The impact of loss of service availability goes beyond financials:

## Operations

How many IT personnel will be tied up addressing the attack?

## Help Desk

How many more help desk calls will be received, and at what cost per call?

## Recovery

How much manual work will need to be done to re-enter transactions?

## Lost Worker Output

How much employee output will be lost?

## Penalties

How much will have to be paid in service level agreement (SLA) credits or other penalties?

## Lost Business

How much will the ability to attract new customers be affected? What is the full value of that lost customers?

## Brand & Reputation Damage

What is the cost to the company brand and reputation?

# DDoS: It Will Happen To You

- Ostrich Mentality : ‘When an ostrich is afraid, it will bury its head in the ground, assuming that because it cannot see, it cannot be seen.’



- The attitude to DDoS as a **Service Availability Threat** has been similar.
- ...but this is changing because of:
  - **AWARENESS** : Massive mainstream press around Anonymous, Lulzsec, Sony, etc..
  - **RISK** : Businesses are reliant on the Internet for their business continuity.
  - **MOTIVATIONS** : Wider spread of attack motivations, broader target set.
  - **EXPERIENCE** : Larger, more frequent, more complex attacks.

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## **DDoS Statistics, Motivations and Tools**

# Arbor Research

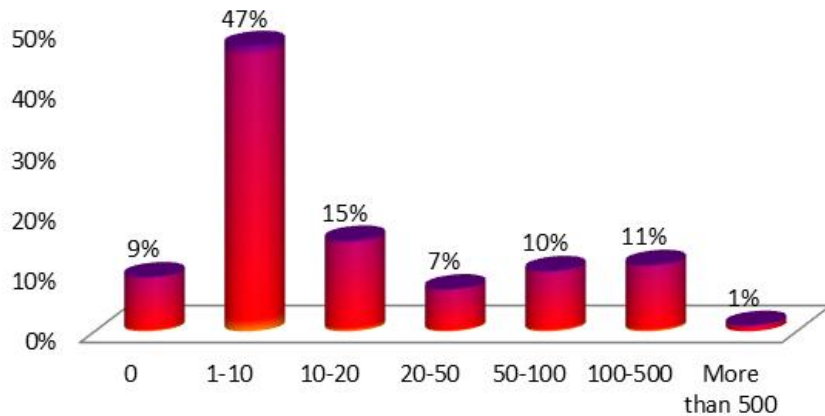
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- ASERT Botnet and DDoS Research
  - Analysis of hundreds of unique botnets and attack tools used to carry out DDoS attacks
- 2011 Worldwide Infrastructure Security Report
  - Survey of 114 Internet operators focused on security practices, incidents and trends
- ATLAS Data Trends
  - Data collected from 100+ Arbor deployments and honeynets sharing attack and traffic statistics

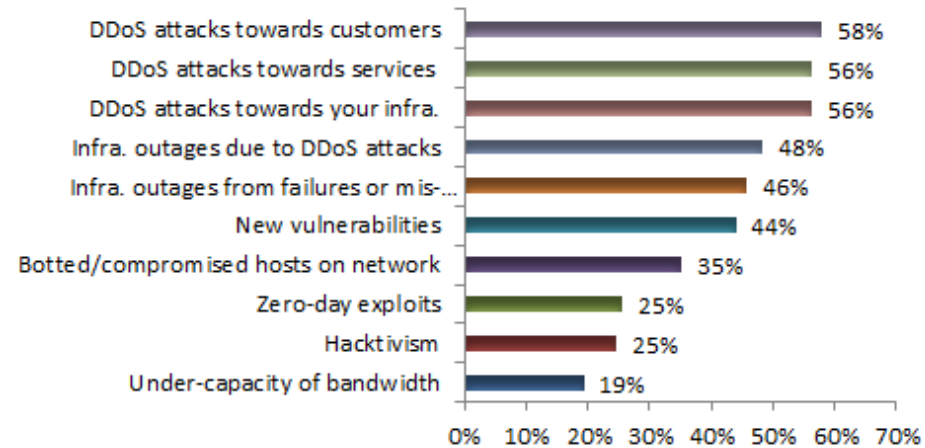


# DDoS Attack Frequency Makes it Top of Mind

## Number of DDoS Attacks per Month



## Threat concerns over next 12 months

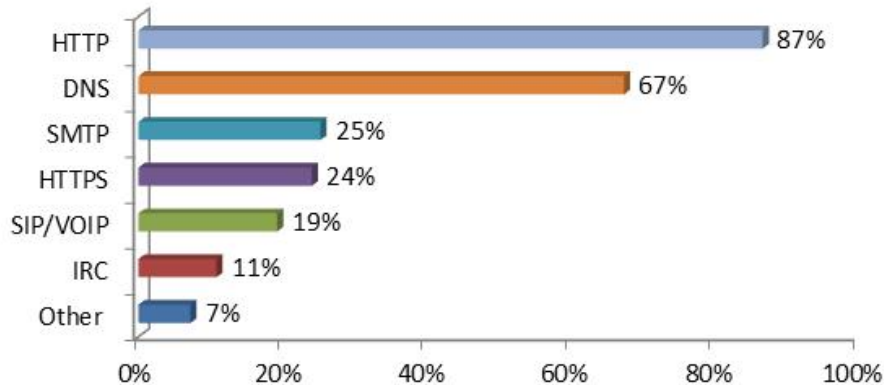


Source: Arbor Networks 2011 Infrastructure Security Report

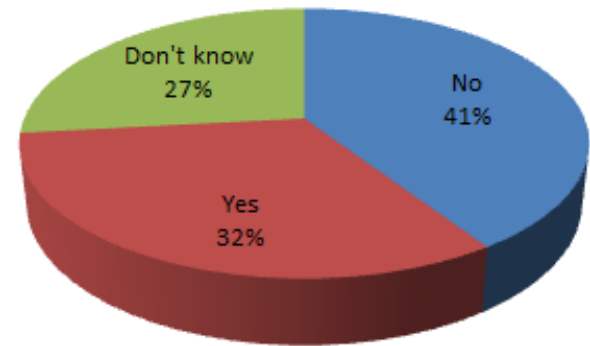
- Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attacks are now a common occurrence across the Internet
- Top of mind topic for Internet Operators
- Anyone can become a victim

# Application Layer and Multi-vector DDoS

## Services Targeted by Application Layer DDoS Attacks



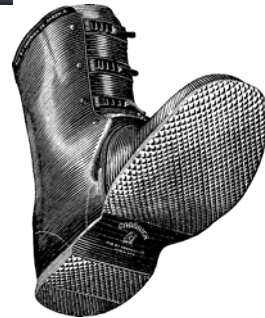
## Have You Experienced Multi-vector Application/Volumetric DDoS Attacks



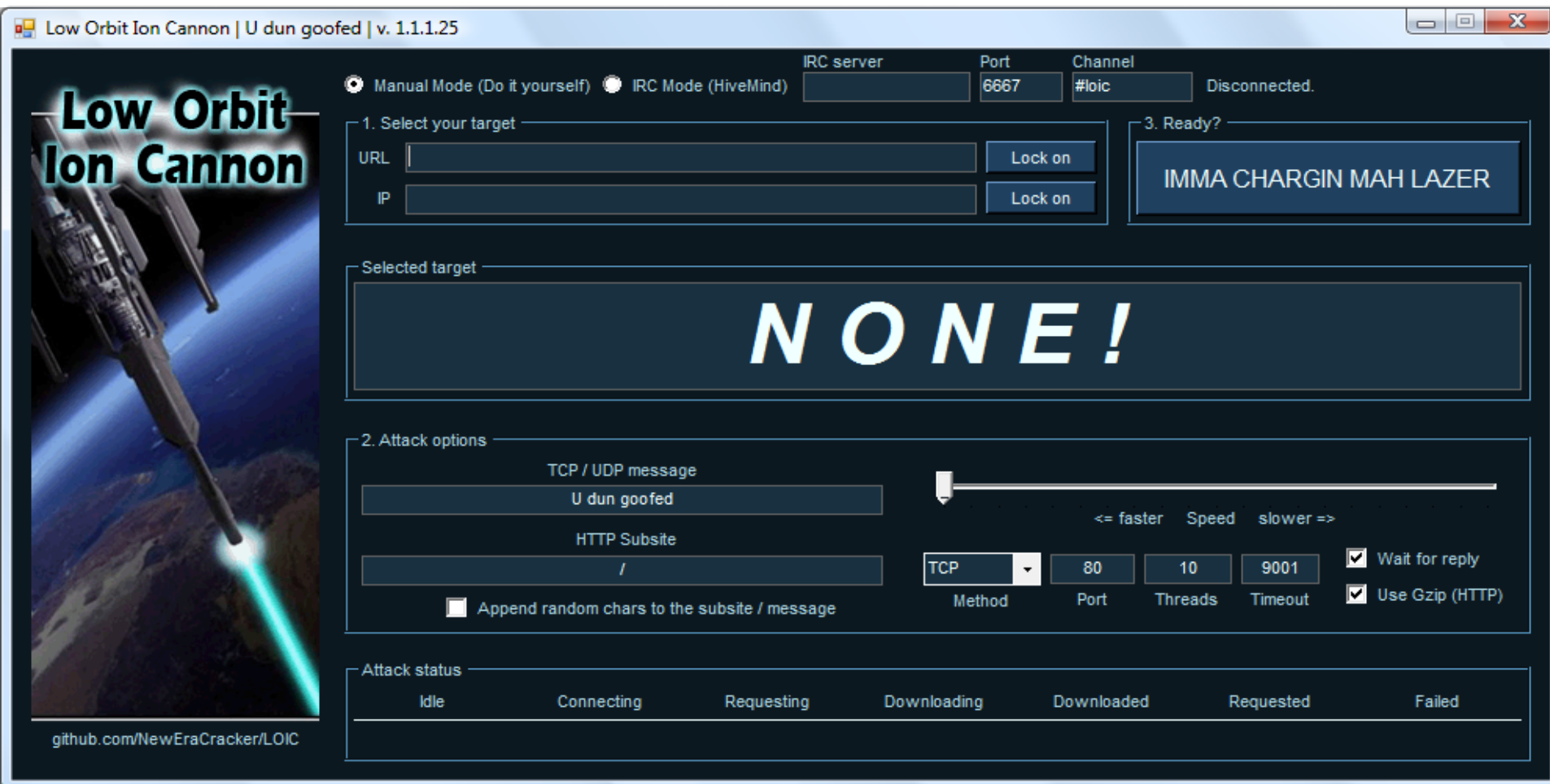
- A higher percentage of attacks reported on HTTP and IRC relative to 2010
  - HTTP and IRC up relative to 2010
- Lower percent of attacks on DNS, SMTP, HTTPS and VOIP
- SSL based attacks reported included TCP and UDP floods against port 443, port scanning attempts and Slowloris

# The DDoS Tool Landscape

- Many malware families have added DDoS capabilities
- Attackers now have hundreds of tools to choose from at varying costs and complexities
  - Single user flooding tools
  - Host booters
  - Shell booters
  - Remote Access Trojans (RATs)
  - DDoS bots of varying complexity

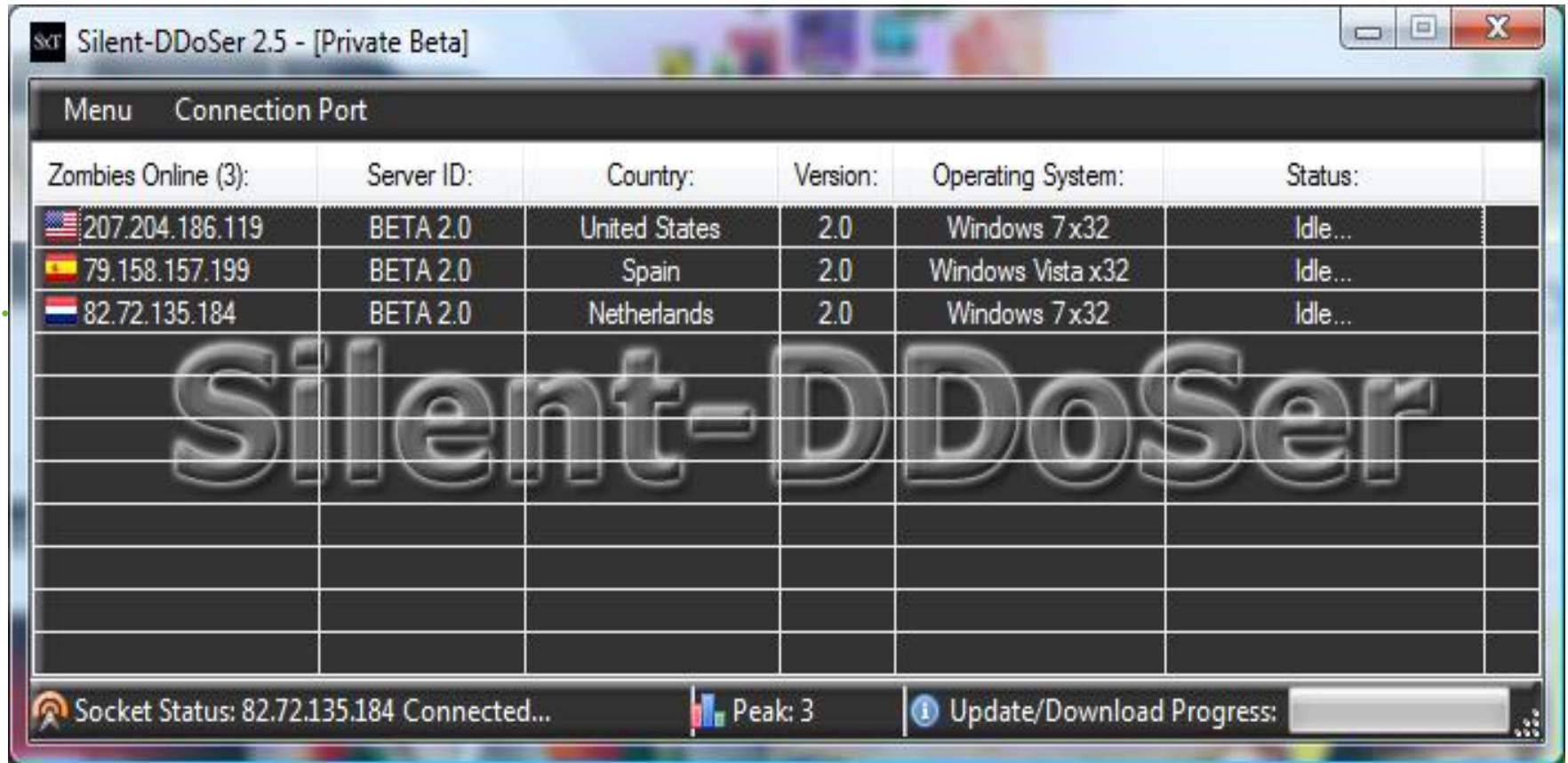


# Single User Plus: LOIC






- "HiveMind" mode
- Still used despite revelation of attackers IP

# Host booter – Silent-DDoSer

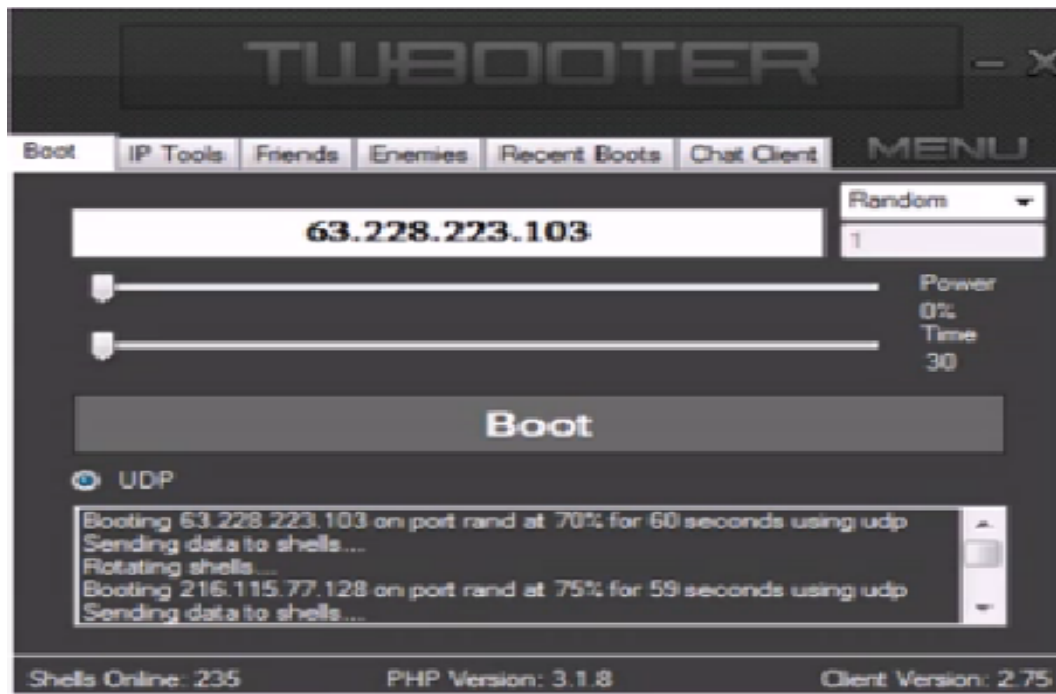


The screenshot displays the Silent-DDoSer 2.5 interface. The window title is "Silent-DDoSer 2.5 - [Private Beta]". The main area contains a table with columns: "Zombies Online (3)", "Server ID:", "Country:", "Version:", "Operating System:", and "Status:". The table lists three active connections. A large, semi-transparent watermark "Silent-DDoSer" is overlaid on the table. The status bar at the bottom shows "Socket Status: 82.72.135.184 Connected...", a bar chart for "Peak: 3", and an "Update/Download Progress" indicator.

Zombies Online (3):	Server ID:	Country:	Version:	Operating System:	Status:
 207.204.186.119	BETA 2.0	United States	2.0	Windows 7 x32	Idle...
 79.158.157.199	BETA 2.0	Spain	2.0	Windows Vista x32	Idle...
 82.72.135.184	BETA 2.0	Netherlands	2.0	Windows 7 x32	Idle...

Socket Status: 82.72.135.184 Connected... Peak: 3 Update/Download Progress:

# Shell Booters – twBooter

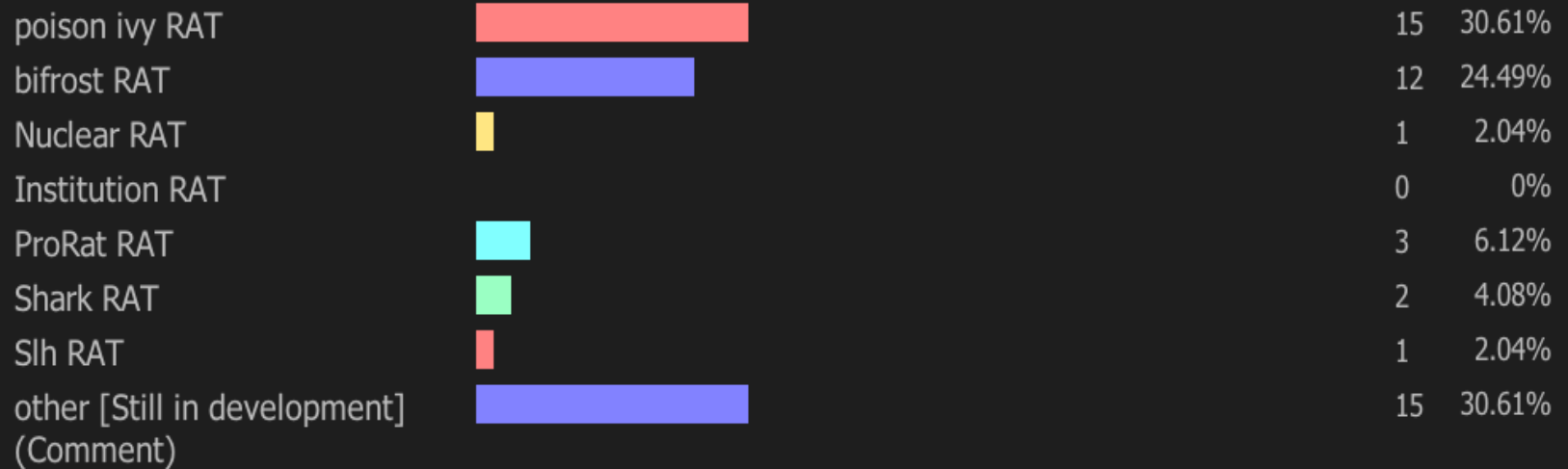


- 235 shells online
- Botmaster involved in online DDoS war

# RATs Scurrying Everywhere

## View Poll Results: The Best RAT From Your Opinion

Voters: 49. You may not vote on this poll



- Used by attackers of varying skill and motive
- Skilled attackers will aim for evasion
  - Gh0st RAT network signature changes
- Often packed with run-time decryption to evade anti-malware

# Commercial DDoS Product - Darkness



Время сервера:	25.12.2010 16:30:15	exe=http://host.com/exe.exe	Команда на загрузку и запуск файла
Всего ботов:	45761	ddi=http://host.com/script.php	Команда к началу http атаки хоста
Онлайн ботов:	6990	ddi=host.com	Команда к началу http атаки хоста
Свободный бот:	6910	ddi=host.com?1	Команда к началу атаки на порт
Выполняет команду:	0	bot=10	Время синхронизации ботов
Последняя команда:	wtf...	wot=http://host.com/wote.php	Голосование в опросе на сайтах
Версия панели управления:	7.0.0 Српиа-М	wtf	Остановка выполнения всех команд

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Изменение общей команды

Сохранить

Последний адрес *	Регистрация *	Номер *	Версия *	Синхронизация *	Команда *	Команда *
41.141.112.146	2010-12-25 16:18:43	505596	6d XP	4 минут назад	wtf	Команда
222.254.74.99	2010-12-25 16:12:37	203103	6d XP	25 секунд назад	wtf	Команда
125.225.100.173	2010-12-25 15:34:40	520798	6d XP	2 минут назад	wtf	Команда
125.163.67.70	2010-12-25 11:17:55	296000	6d W7	2 минут назад	wtf	Команда
180.180.160.4	2010-12-25 02:24:17	951393	6d XP	1 минут назад	wtf	Команда
84.59.120.197	2010-12-24 15:10:14	605690	6d*W0	2 минут назад	wtf	Команда
180.249.62.38	2010-12-23 09:43:11	144768	6d W7	4 минут назад	wtf	Команда
46.0.171.121	2010-12-22 15:44:07	641183	6d XP	1 минут назад	wtf	Команда
110.136.255.11	2010-12-21 22:38:11	333266	6d*W7	3 минут назад	wtf	Команда
82.128.14.120	2010-12-17 23:08:20	509406	6d WV	55 секунд назад	wtf	Команда
59.92.123.164	2010-12-16 16:28:45	280998	6d*XP	26 секунд назад	wtf	Команда
115.75.51.178	2010-12-15 17:57:35	918400	6d XP	4 минут назад	wtf	Команда
180.214.233.12	2010-12-15 13:53:46	204098	6d W7	3 минут назад	wtf	Команда
210.49.66.213	2010-12-15 08:06:56	940981	6d*WV	3 минут назад	wtf	Команда
85.26.165.214	2010-12-14 16:03:35	997793	6d*XP	9 секунд назад	wtf	Команда
202.74.215.152	2010-12-13 04:01:28	954283	6d*WV	36 секунд назад	wtf	Команда
27.107.143.1	2010-12-12 16:57:45	354134	6d W7	4 минут назад	wtf	Команда
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91.203.63.25	2010-12-11 05:39:23	154031	6d*XP	1 минут назад	wtf	Команда
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121.54.29.50	2010-12-11 04:25:07	087336	6d XP	4 минут назад	wtf	Команда
123.27.159.219	2010-12-11 02:23:02	133271	6d XP	6 секунд назад	wtf	Команда
201.252.170.198	2010-12-11 01:11:11	289948	6d*WV	1 минут назад	wtf	Команда
81.218.212.129	2010-12-10 19:15:06	817292	6d*W7	2 минут назад	wtf	Команда
46.147.9.160	2010-12-10 18:35:29	048154	6d*XP	2 минут назад	wtf	Команда
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95.134.116.169	2010-12-10 16:31:03	614989	6d*XP	3 минут назад	wtf	Команда
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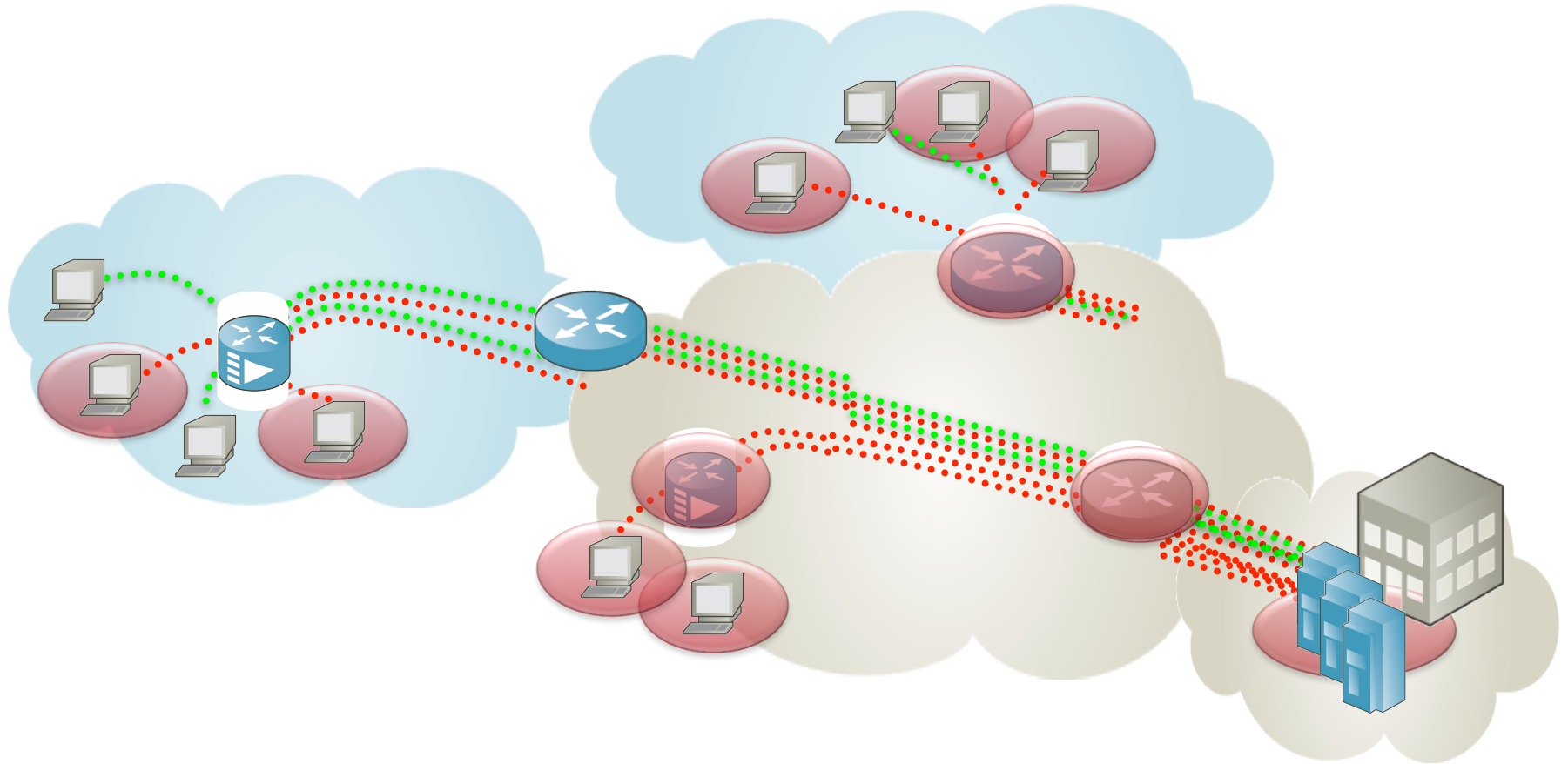
- 45,000 bots, 6900 online



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# Understanding DDoS

# What is a DDoS Attack?



During a **Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attack**, compromised hosts (**bots**) or vigilante users from distributed sources overwhelm the target with illegitimate traffic so that the servers can not respond to legitimate clients.

# High Bandwidth Volumetric DDoS

## Description

Large volume of traffic in bps and/or pps. Traffic could be spoofed or not spoofed.

## Effect on Network

Network links become saturated. Software based routers, switches, firewalls, IPS get overwhelmed.

## Effect on Services

Legitimate users can't get to services.

## Common Names

Packet flood, UDP flood, TCP flood.



# Protocol Attacks

## Description

Attacks that exploit vulnerable parts of protocols such as TCP 3 way handshake. They are often crafted to overwhelm protocol state on devices.

## Effect on Network

State tables on servers, load balancers, IPS and firewalls fill up and they will no longer pass traffic.

## Effect on Services

Legitimate users can't get to services.

## Common Names

SYN flood, RST flood, FIN flood



# Connection Based Attacks

## Description

Attackers create many connections to the service sending no traffic or infrequent traffic. Sometimes the attacker may send incomplete requests to the services.

## Effect on Network

Available connections to the service are exhausted. State tables of FW, IPS, load balancers could also get overwhelmed.

## Effect on Services

Legitimate users can't connect to services.

## Common Names

Sockstress



# Reflection Attacks

## Description

Attackers spoof IP address of victim as source and send queries to open proxies or resolvers that will then send "answers" to the victim. Answers may be amplified if the response is bigger

## Effect on Network

Network links become saturated. Software based routers, switches, firewalls, IPS get overwhelmed.

## Effect on Services

Legitimate users can't get to services.

## Common Names

DNS reflection, DNSSEC amplification



# Application-Layer Attacks

## Description

Attacks that target a vulnerability at the application layer. They can range from application floods to slow stealthy attacks that target a particular weakness.

## Effect on Network

Limited network effect as the traffic rates can be very low. They sometimes cause congestion between services and storage databases.

## Effect on Services

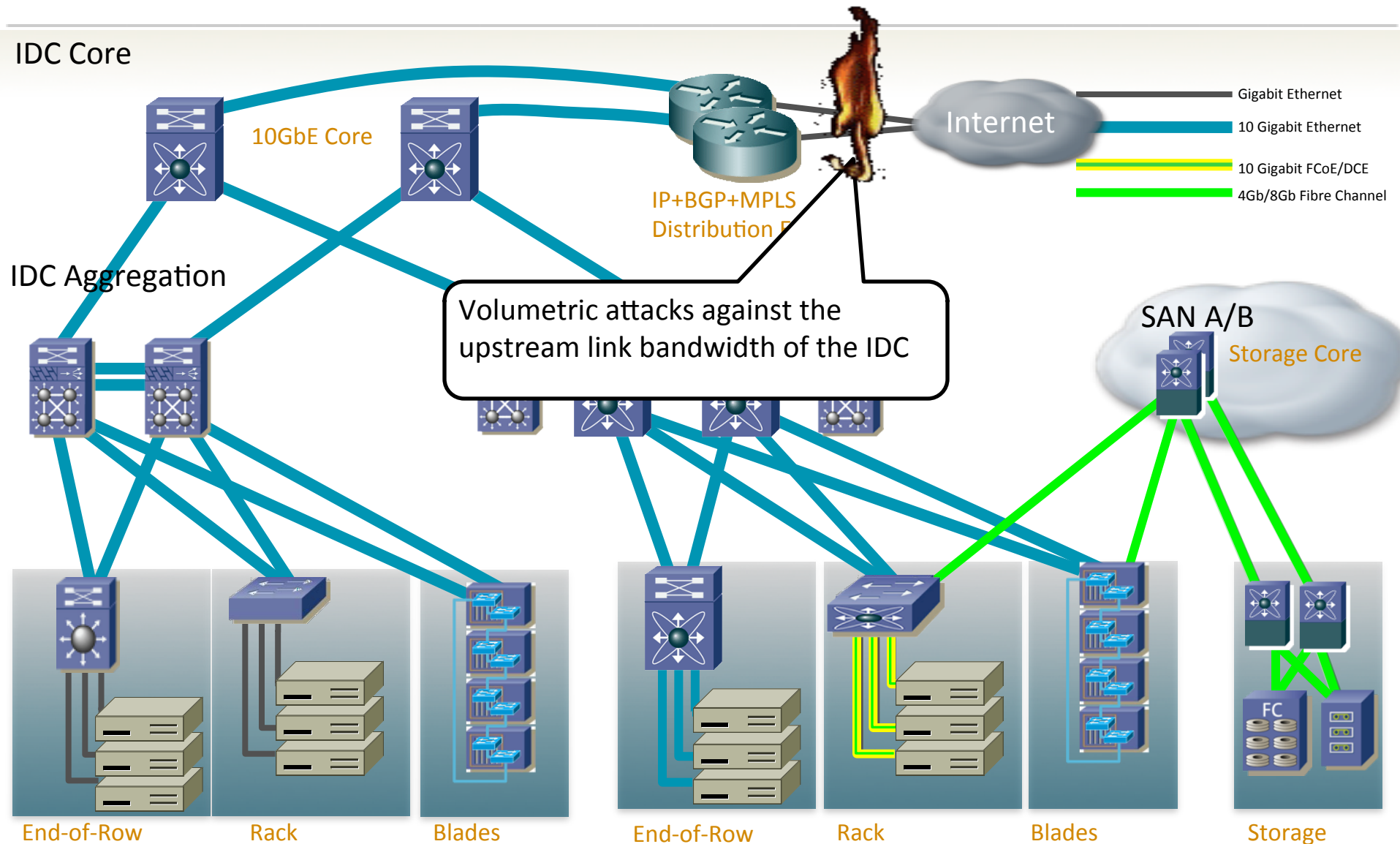
Services become unresponsive or go down altogether.

## Common Examples

URL floods, R U Dead Yet (Rudy), Slowloris, LOIC, HOIC, DNS dictionary attacks

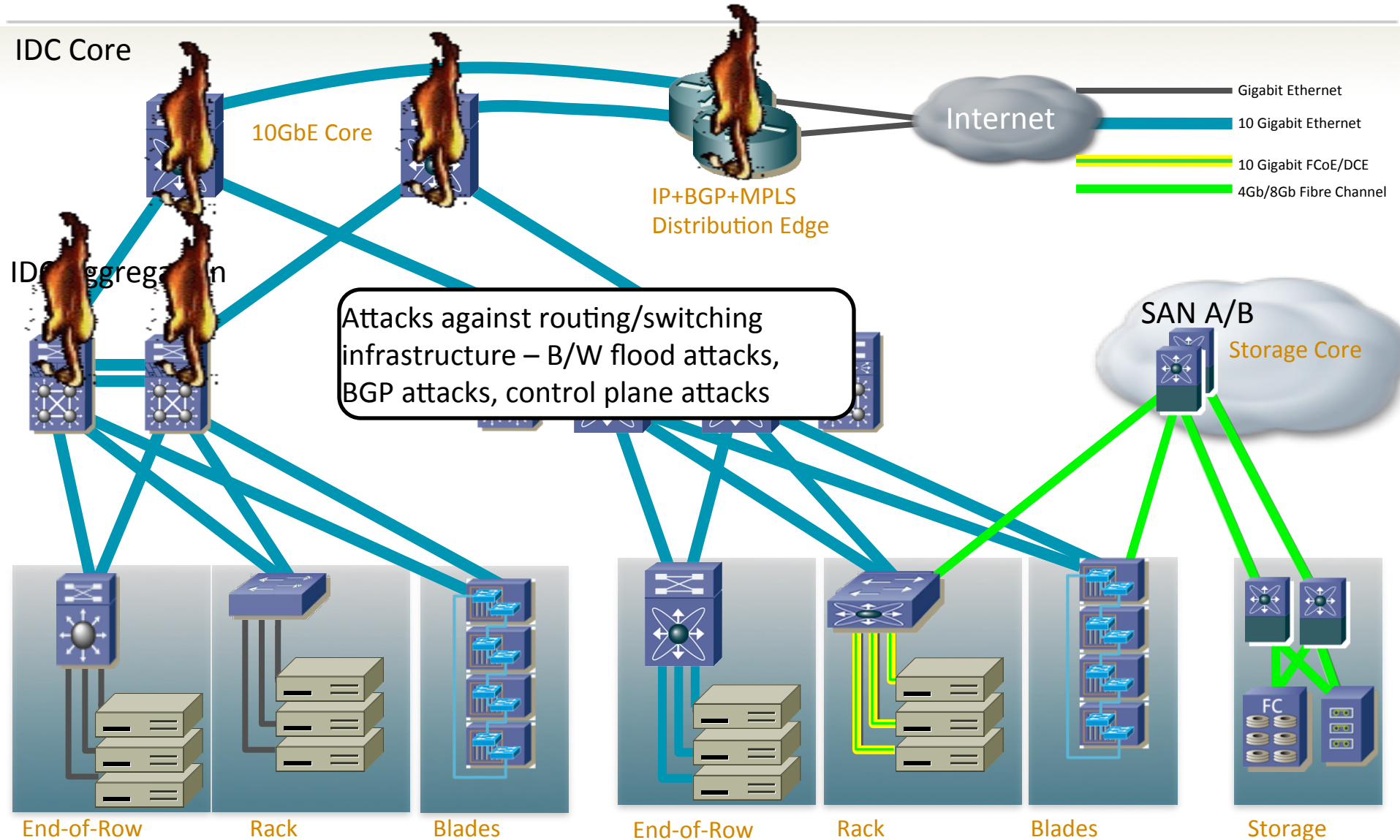


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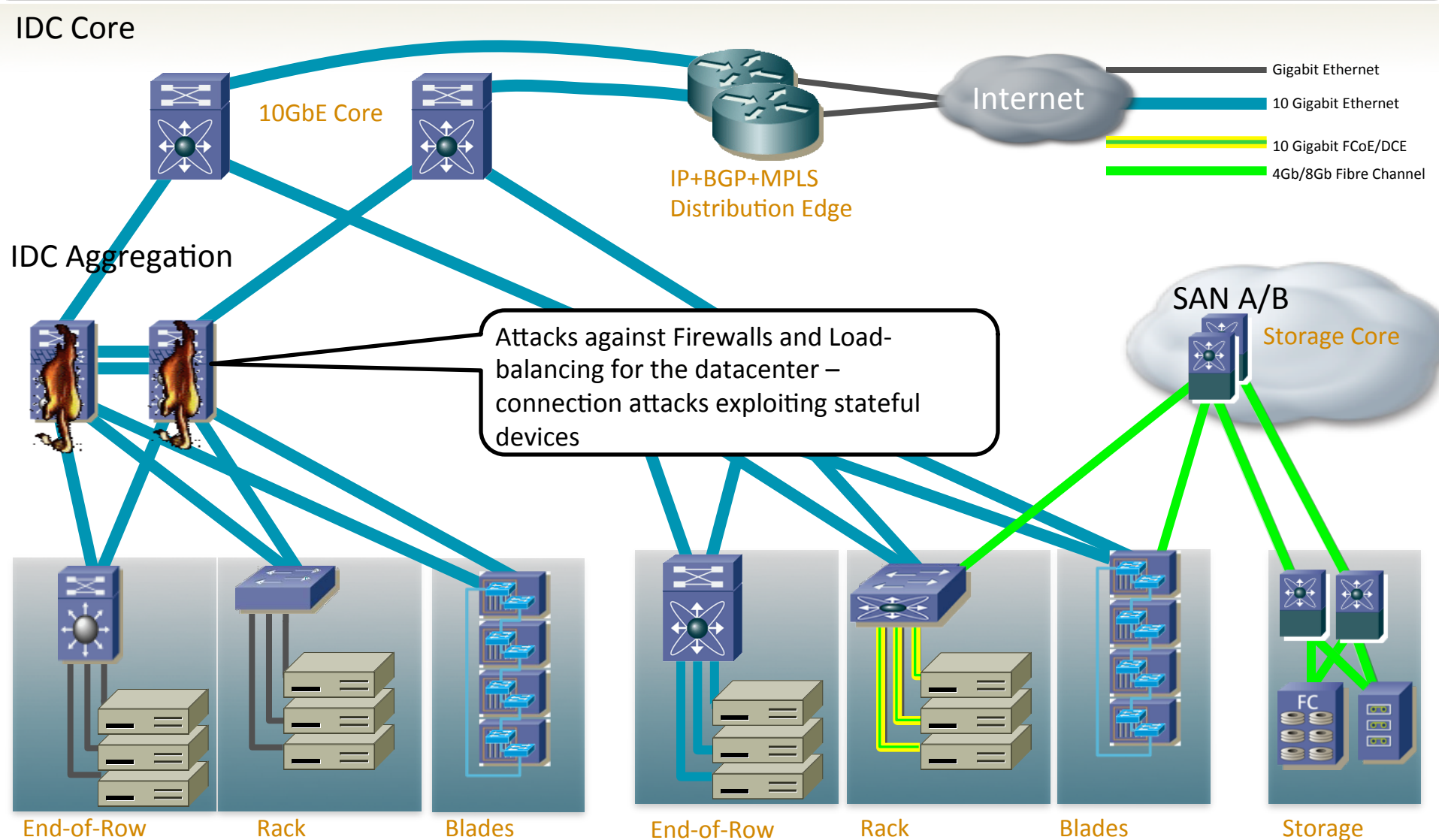




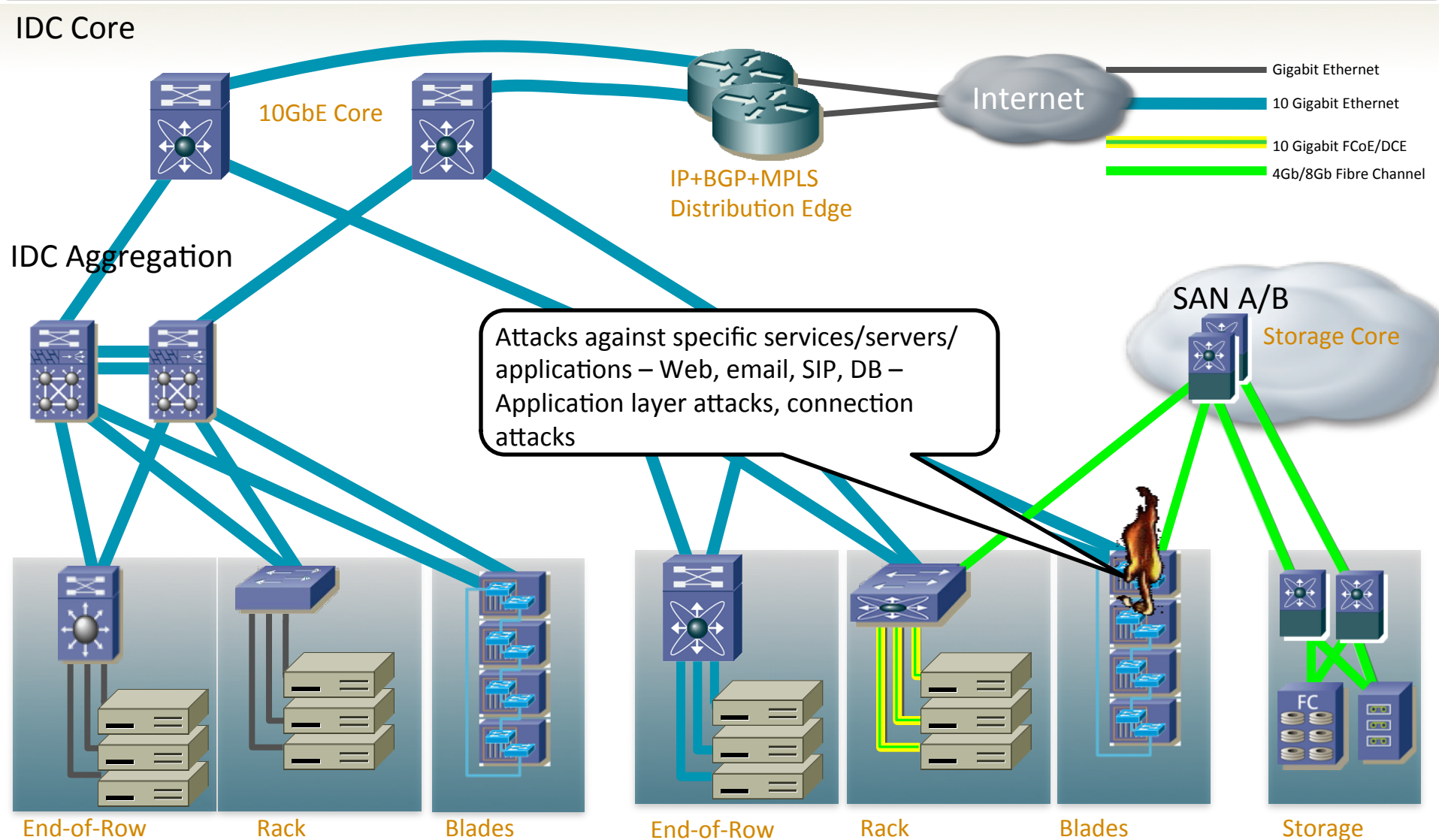
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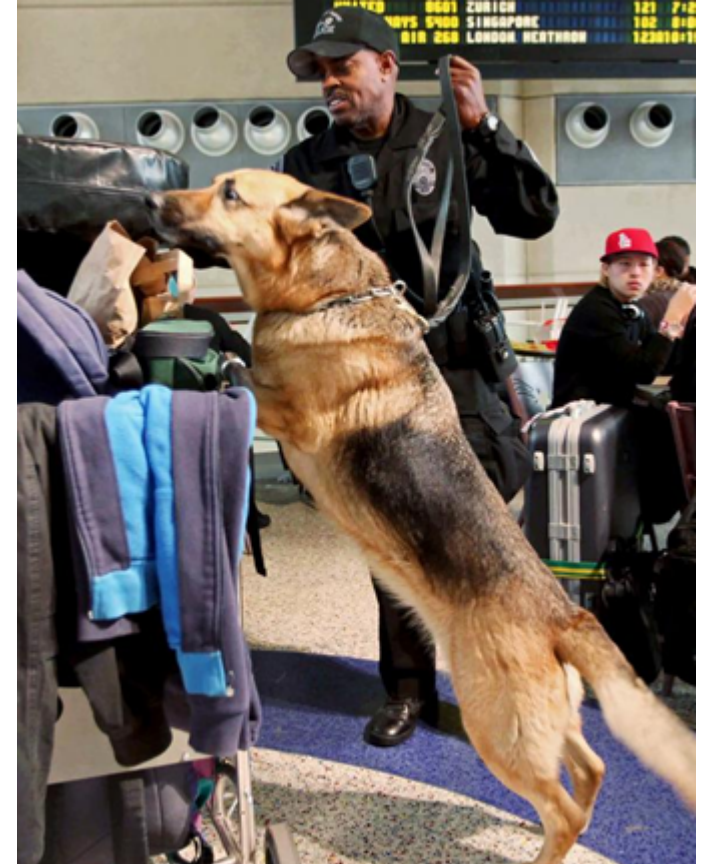
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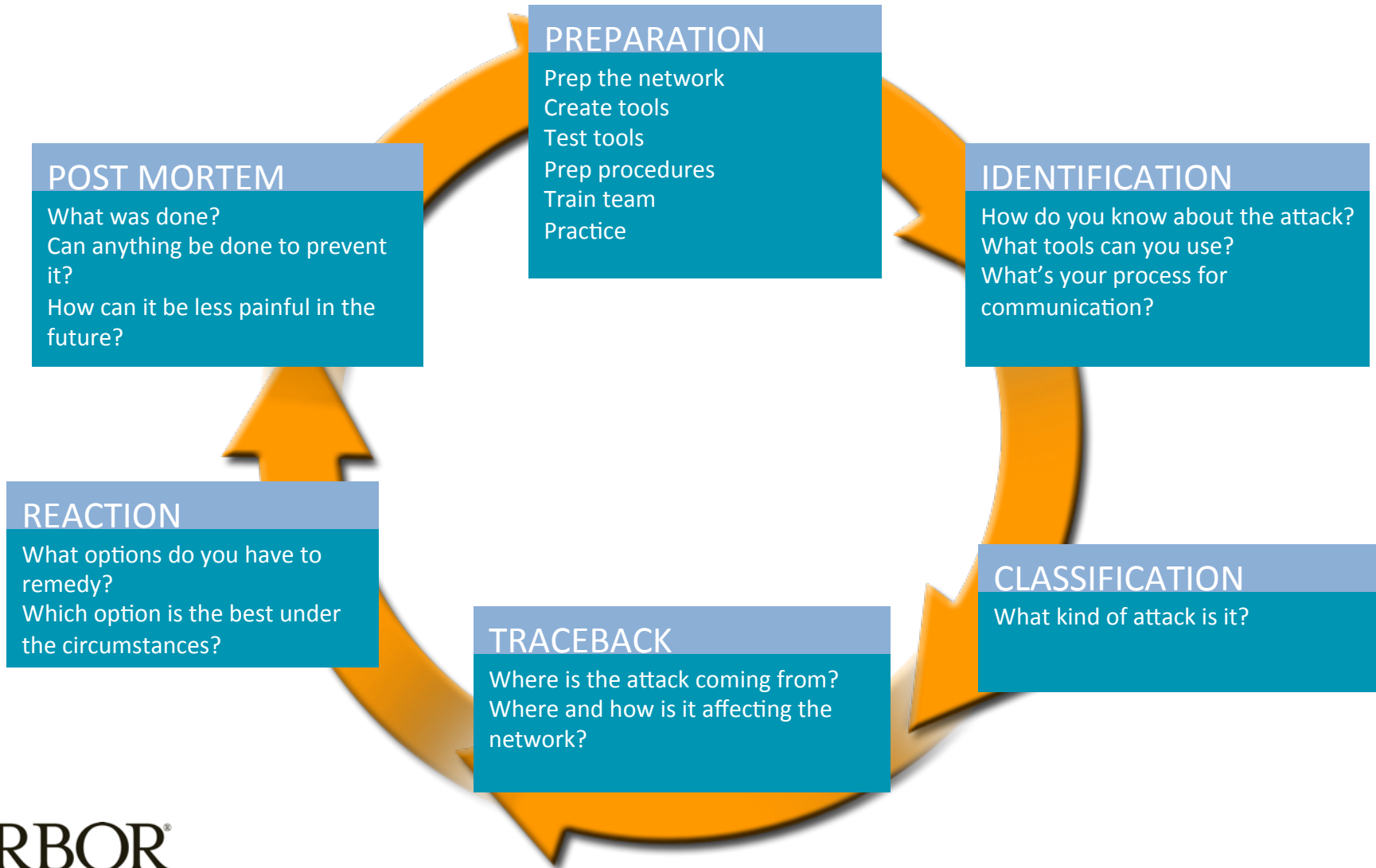
# How to Protect Against DDoS

# A Solution Needs to Handle All Attack Types



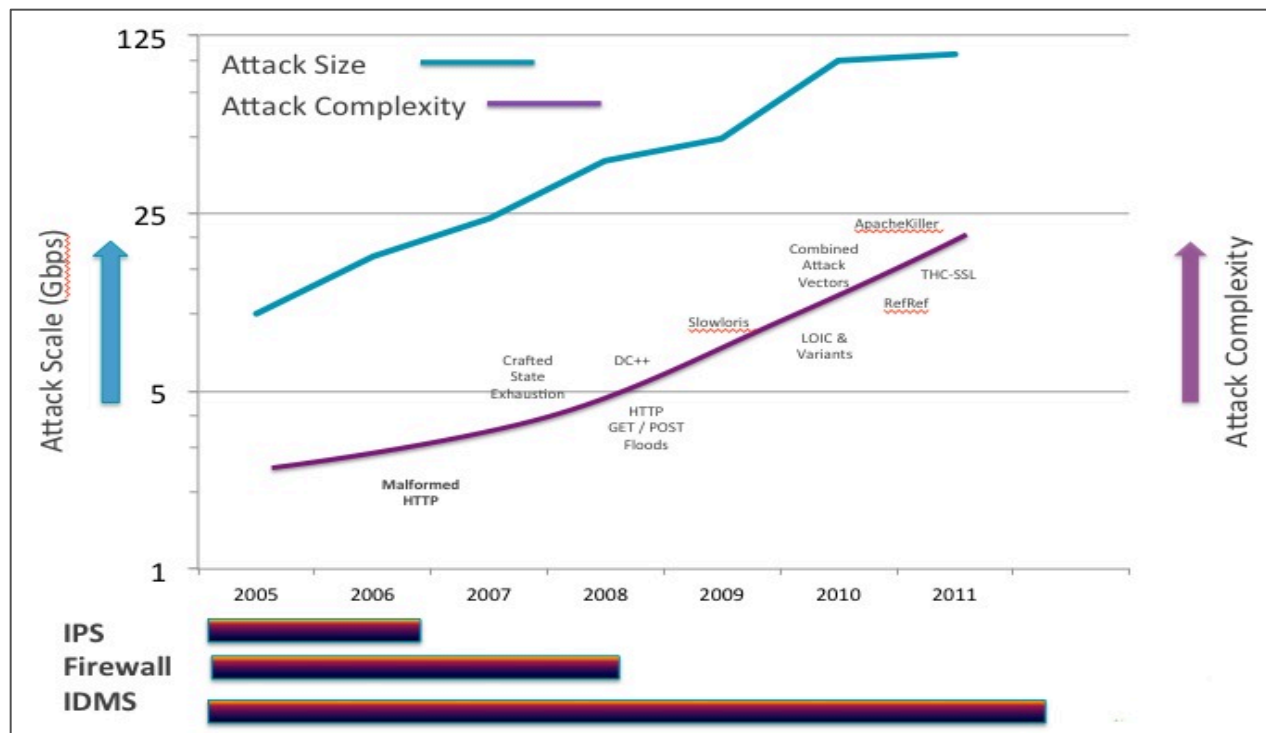
Different defenses are needed for different types of threats

# Six Phases of Infrastructure Security



# DDoS Overwhelming Traditional Defenses

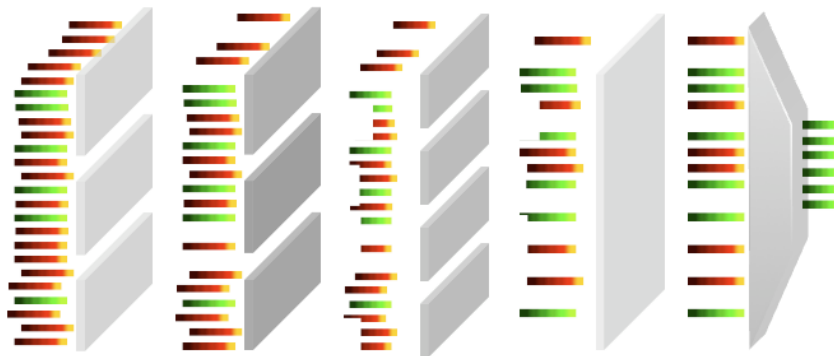
- Current DDoS attacks are designed to thwart general defenses
  - Use large, distributed botnets
  - Employ low-and-slow application layer attacks
  - Combine the above for obfuscation



# Intelligent DDoS Mitigation Systems

Stop advanced attacks including application-layer DDoS attacks using multiple counter-measures

- Block common and complex attacks using a variety of counter-measures such as the ones listed here
- Detect and stop application-layer DDoS attacks that are hard to detect in the cloud



Multiple dimensions of counter-measures can be leveraged to stop dynamic and diverse threats

## General

Single Source Attack  
Distributed DDoS  
Spoofed / Non-Spoofed Attacks

## TCP Attacks

TCP SYN Floods  
Invalid TCP Flag Combinations  
Window Size Attacks (Sockstress, etc)  
Slow TCP Connections (TCP Idling, etc)

## HTTP / Web Attacks

Slow HTTP Connections (Slowloris / Pyloris)  
HTTP GET / POST URL Floods

## DNS

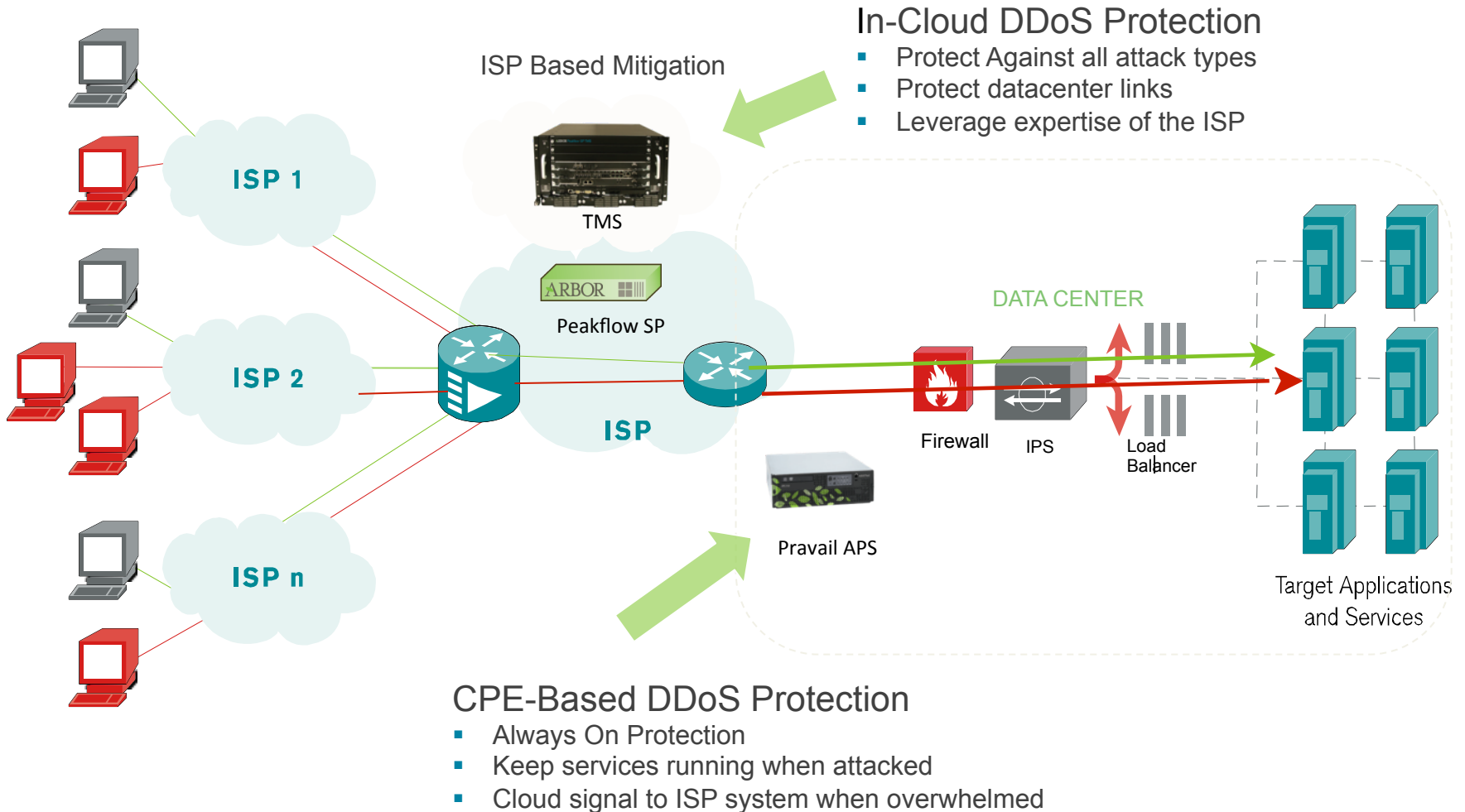
DNS Floods  
DNS Authentication

## Other

UDP / ICMP Floods  
IP / TCP / UDP Fragment Floods  
IP NULL Floods



# Arbor's Intelligent, Layered DDoS Protection Solution



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**Case Study:**  
**September 2012 Financial Sector Attacks**

# The beginning of “Operation Ababil”

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- "Cyber fighters of Izz ad-din Al qassam" posted a call to action on Pastebin on September 18, calling for Muslims to attack the Bank of America and the New York Stock Exchange
- Four days earlier, messages linked to the same group called for attacks against Google's YouTube citing their refusal to take down a movie that offended some Muslims
- These attacks have continued several weeks towards varying targets

# Attacks Take Major Financials Off-line

## Major U.S. banks still under DDoS attack

Posted on 28 September 2012.



PNC Bank seems to be the latest target of the organized DDoS attacks against major U.S. financial institutions such as JPMorgan Chase, Bank of America, Wells Fargo, Citigroup, U.S. Bancorp, New York Stock Exchange and others.



CNET > News > Security & Privacy > Wells Fargo is latest bank to be hit ...

## Wells Fargo is latest bank to be hit by cyberattacks

In the week, the banks' websites have been bombarded with a flood of requests that are unable to reach them and perform financial banking.

According to the [statement](#) posted online by the Din al-Qassam Cyber Fighters group, they are forcing the takedown of the controversial anti-Islam movie, mocking the prophet Muhammad.

The hackers have also provided links to websites visited by volunteers, automatically using the aforementioned sites with requests.

As several banks experience outages, one group claims responsibility, saying it's retaliating for the anti-Islam movie and will continue its onslaught until the film is taken off the Web.



by Dara Kerr | September 25, 2012 9:23 PM PDT



Wells Fargo is the most recent mega-bank to be hit by a distributed denial-of-service attack. According to the [Wall Street Journal](#), roughly 220 customers filed complaints of outages on its Web site today saying they had problems logging on.

"The amount of bandwidth that is flooding the websites is very large, much larger than in other attacks, and in a sense unprecedented," chief executive of private security firm CrowdStrike Dmitri Alperovitch told the Wall Street Journal.

## Chase, NYSE Websites Targeted in Cyber Attacks

By Matt Egan, Adam Samson / Published September 19, 2012 / FOXBusiness



JPMorgan Chase (JPM) and NYSE Euronext (NYSE) experienced outages Wednesday after being targeted by apparent cyberattacks. A day after Bank of America experienced a separate attack.

Flashpoint, an intelligence gathering network specializing in cyberattacks, believes the Chase outage is "likely due to a distributed denial of service attack." A Flashpoint analyst told FOX Business the attack was probably caused by "a large botnet," a tactic used by the hacking group Anonymous. Generally, botnets consist of a large number of computers that have been



# Triple Crown Attack – Multi-vector on a New Level

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- Three new tools being used
  - Tool.Brobot, Tool.Kamikaze and Tool.Amos
- Multiple concurrent attack vectors
  - GET and POST app layer attacks on HTTP and HTTPS
  - DNS query app layer attack
  - TCP SYN floods
  - Floods on UDP, TCP, ICMP and other IP protocols
- Unique characteristics of the attacks
  - Use of Shell booters (infected web servers) with high upstream b/w
  - Very high packet per second rates per individual source
  - Large bandwidth attack on multiple companies simultaneously

# Lessons Learned

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## Enterprise

- Firewalls/IPS truly don't offer any protection
  - All companies attacked have these devices
- Carrier/MSSPs coverage has limits
  - Resource strain when customers get attacked simultaneously
  - Slower to upgrade to the latest releases/protections
- Need to deploy DDoS security in multiple layers
  - On premise for control and speed
  - Multiple upstream options

## MSSPs

- Capacity models need to be re-evaluated as larger multi-vector multi-customer attacks have become a reality
- Increase speed of new technology adoption

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