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Revenge of the Full Proxy

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“In the time of greatest despair, a child shall be born
who will destroy the Sith and bring balance to the Force...”



History of the Full Proxy

Too many Protocols
to support:
IP, SNA, IPX, Appletalk
...

CPUs were Slow...
Not able to keep up.



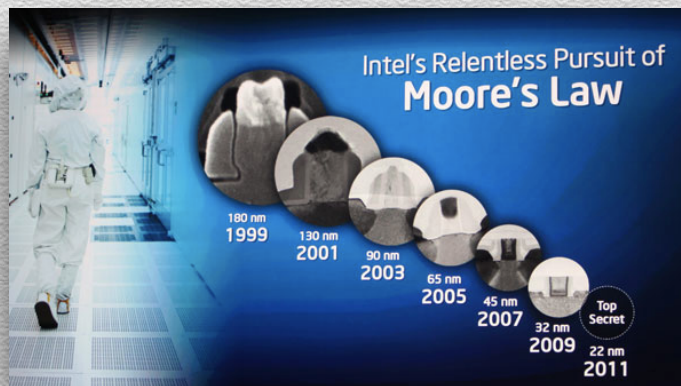
FireWall ToolKit
1st Oct 1993

Most **secure**, but
change in
protocol not trivial...

Fast FPGAs
Not as **smart**, but could
process packets faster



Come the New Millennium and beyond...



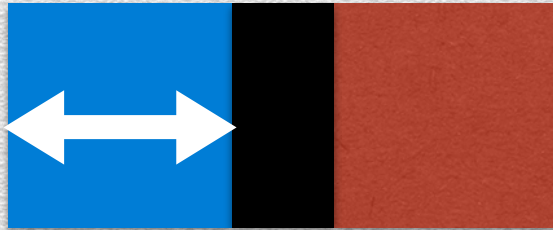
Moore's Law
CPUs are getting faster,
smaller, with higher performance



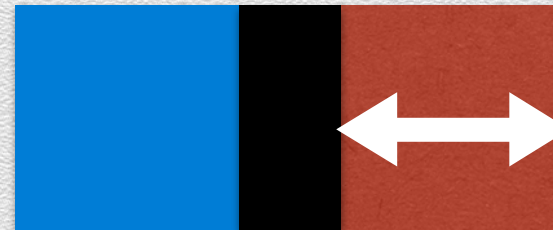
Major Protocol Convergence
TCP, DNS, HTTP, SSL



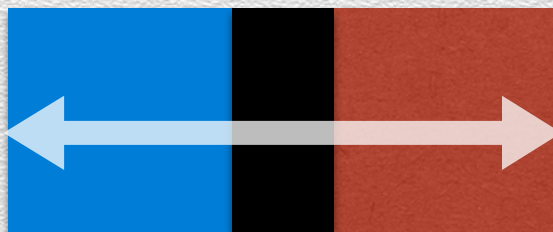
Many Technologies Out There...



1. Reverse Proxy



2. Forward Proxy



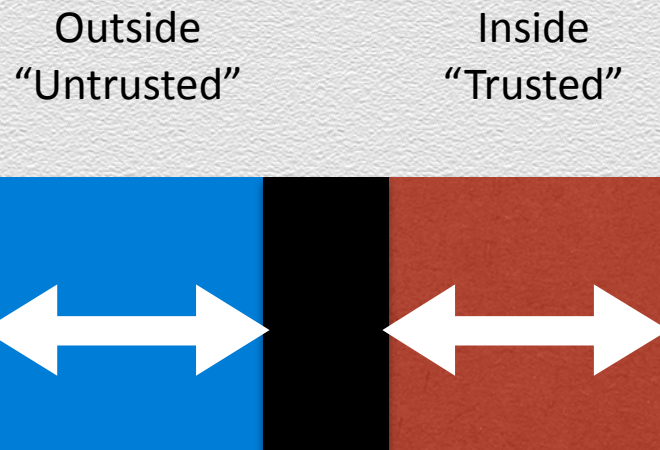
3. Transparent Bridge



4. Offline / Port Span

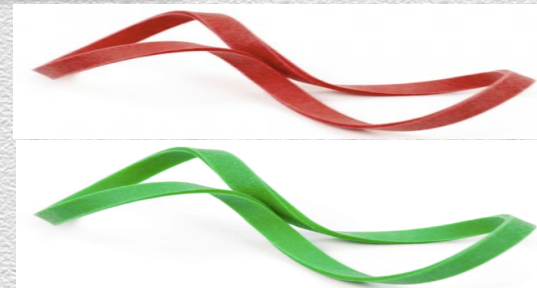


The Full Proxy



Multiple
Individual
Connections

Translation
Distribution
Manipulation
Optimisation



Reusable
Fewer
Connections



Security Air Gap



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So how does this “Air Gap” Help?



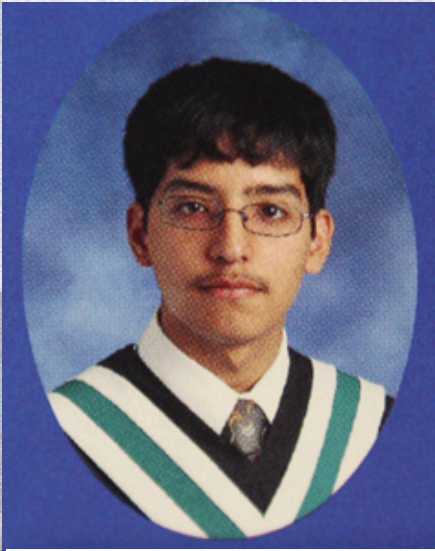
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HeartBleed



7 April 2014



MailOnline

First Heartbleed hack arrest: 19-year-old Canadian student charged with stealing taxpayer data

- **Suspect is student Stephen Arthuro Solis-Reyes from London, Ontario**
- **He is accused of lifting 900 social security numbers from government site**
- **Police seized his computer and a court appearance will take place July 17**
- **Mumsnet is also thought to have been targeted by Heartbleed hackers**
- **Other affected sites include Google, Facebook, Yahoo and Netflix**
- **Problem was found last week in the widely-used OpenSSL software**
- **Security firms are urging users to only change passwords on sites that have confirmed they are safe**

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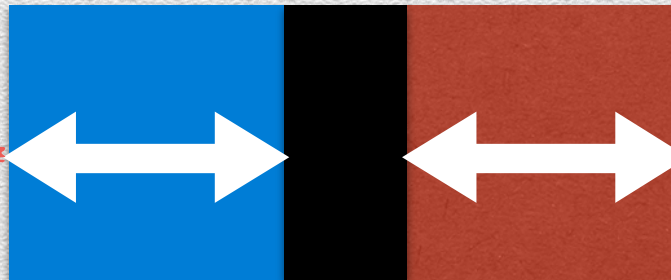


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Mitigating Heartbleed

- 1 If Full Proxy is terminating SSL on behalf of server, and if the Full Proxy is not vulnerable, servers are automatically protected.



- 2 If Full Proxy is not terminating SSL on behalf of server, then:

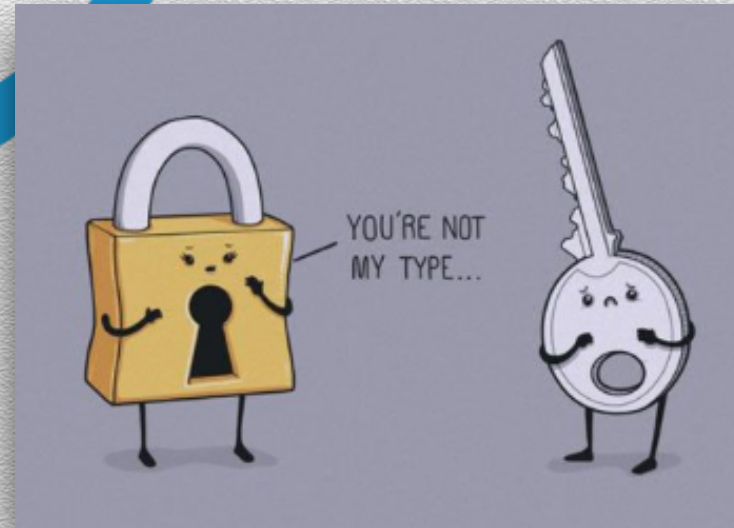
A Check for Heartbeat request from client and terminate.

B Check for unusually long Heartbeat response by server and terminate.



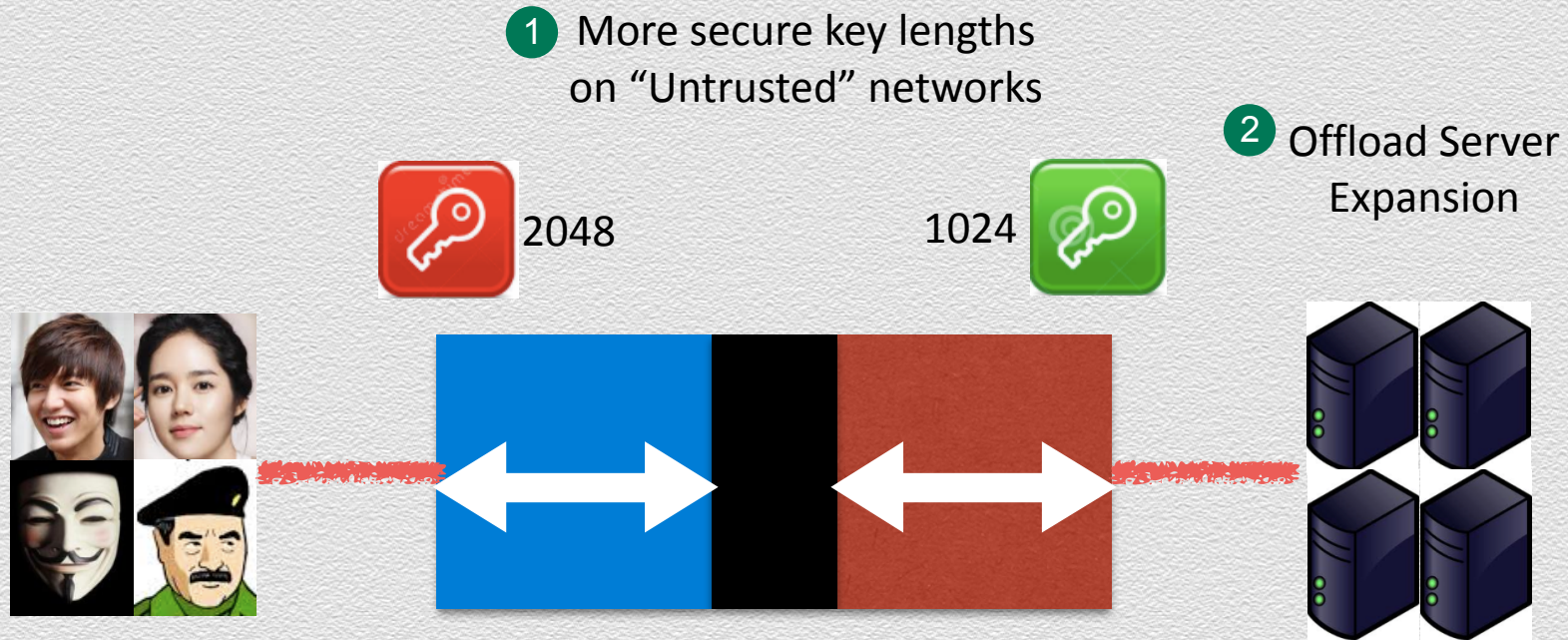
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SSL

SSL Protection



5 Mitigate SSL / TLS Encrypted attacks

4 Mitigate SSL Protocol attacks

- ♦ Handshaking
- ♦ Re-negotiation
- ♦ RFC compliance

3 Centralised Secure Key Management



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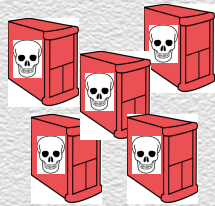
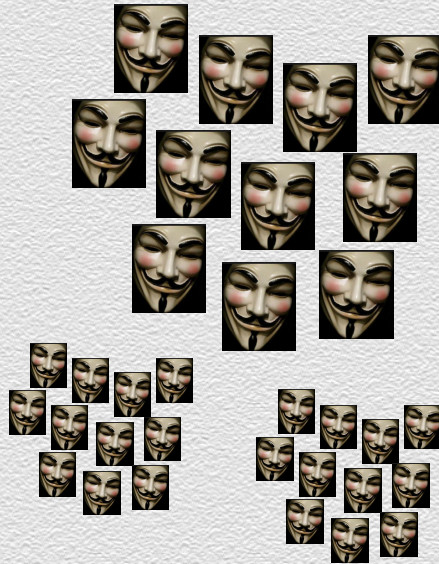
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Layer 3/4 DDoS

The Flooders

Anonymous & Friends



Compromised
Servers



Open DNS /
Unpatched NTP Servers ¹⁵

L3/4 Floods
TCP/UDP/ICMP



L7 Floods
*HTTP GETS /
DNS Queries*



Reflective
Amplifiers
DNS/NTP



Flood Protection - Many different methods

H/W SYN Cookies
for Anti-Spoofing

Huge Connection Tables /
High CPS

L3/4 DOS vector threshold
Baselining / Learning

DNS Attack
Absorption

HTTP / DNS / SIP
Protocol
Conformance



Connection
Rate Limiting

Default
Deny policies

Brute Force
Login /
Dictionary attacks

HTTP / DNS / SIP
Method Whitelisting

DNS Truncate
Challenge

HTTP URI TPS
Baselining / Learning

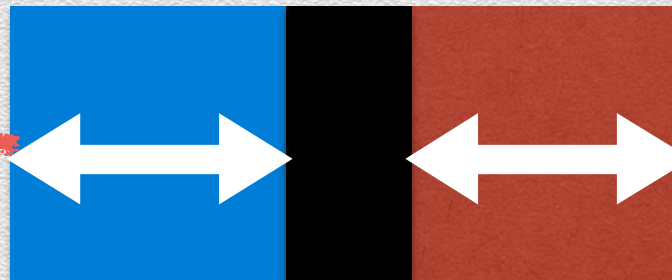


Flood Protection

Full Proxy perspective...



- 1 Server Response <->
Perform Rate Limiting /
Blocking



- 4 Buffering or Absorption :
Connection /
DNS Query / HTTP

- 3 Protocol
Compliance Checks

- 2 Server Health Checks <->
Activate countermeasures
(e.g. SYN Cookies, DNS Truncate)



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Layer 7 DDoS

The Exploiters



Asymmetric
Heavy URL Requests

Server Workload Exploits
Expensive Searches /
DB Queries /
HashDoS

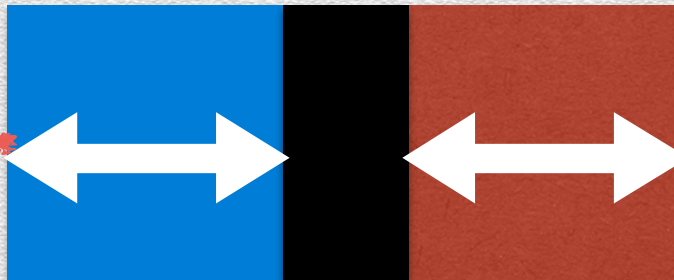
SSL Exploits
Handshaking /
Renegotiation



Defending against the Exploiters

1 Server-Side / DB
Health Checks

2 Tracking HTTP
Response Size



5 Baselineing URL
requests/sec

4 "Non-Human"
Botnet Checks

3 Step-Up
Authentication
protection



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Web Applications

The Ninjas



Middlemen
MITM / MITB

Injection
SQL / OS / RFI / LFI

Poisoning & Tampering
Cookie / DNS



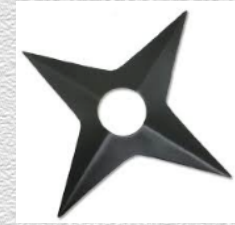
Lulzsec &
Friends



Web Vulnerabilities Exploits
XSS / CSRF / Workflow /
Traversals

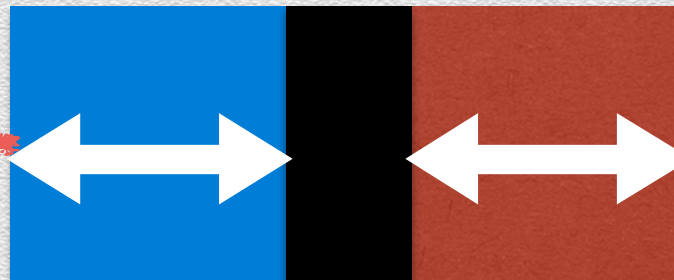


Defending against the Shurikens



- 1 Tightening
 - Parameter
 - Workflow

- 2 Web Application-Specific Signatures



- 5 Cookie / Token / JavaScript Injections
 - E.g. CSRF protection

- 4 DAST scanner
 - Cyclic-Integration,
 - Virtual Patching
 - "Buying time"

- 3 Masking Sensitive Response Data



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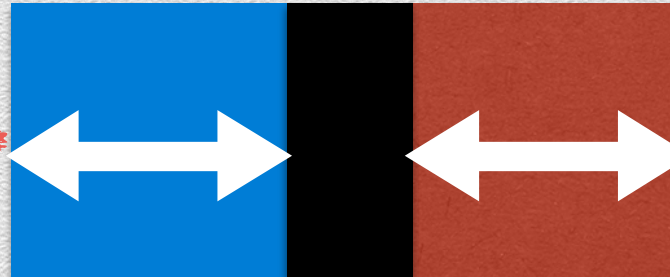


**Secure Web
GateWays**

Secure Web Gateways

① Malicious Website
Visit prevention

② PCI-Compliance
for CDEs



⑤ Embedded Content
Scanning
e.g. Images / Files

④ SSL Forward Proxy
/ Inspection

③ URL Filtering for
Corporate AUP





Enumeration

Know your enemy and know yourself
and you can fight a hundred battles without disaster.

- Sun Tzu

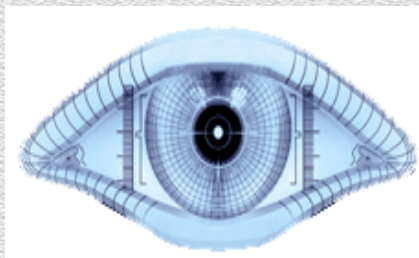
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— 孙子

Dealing with Enumeration



Nmap



Metasploit
F/W



Recon-NG
F/W

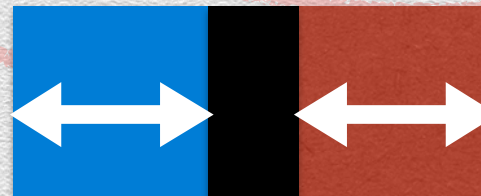


Netcraft



O/S Versions

Web Server Type
& Versions



Response
Headers

Error
Responses

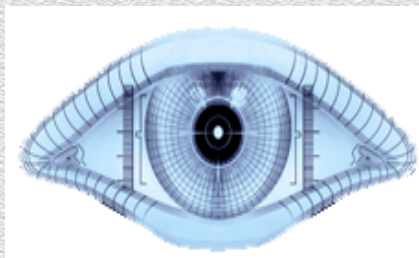
Known SQLi &
XSS Vulnerabilities



Dealing with Enumeration



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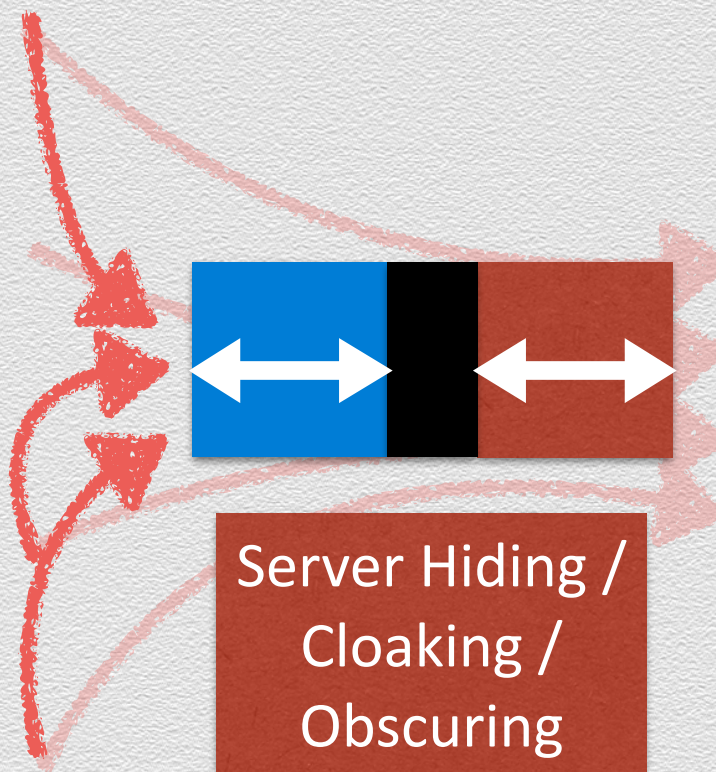
Metasploit
F/W



Recon-NG
F/W



Netcraft





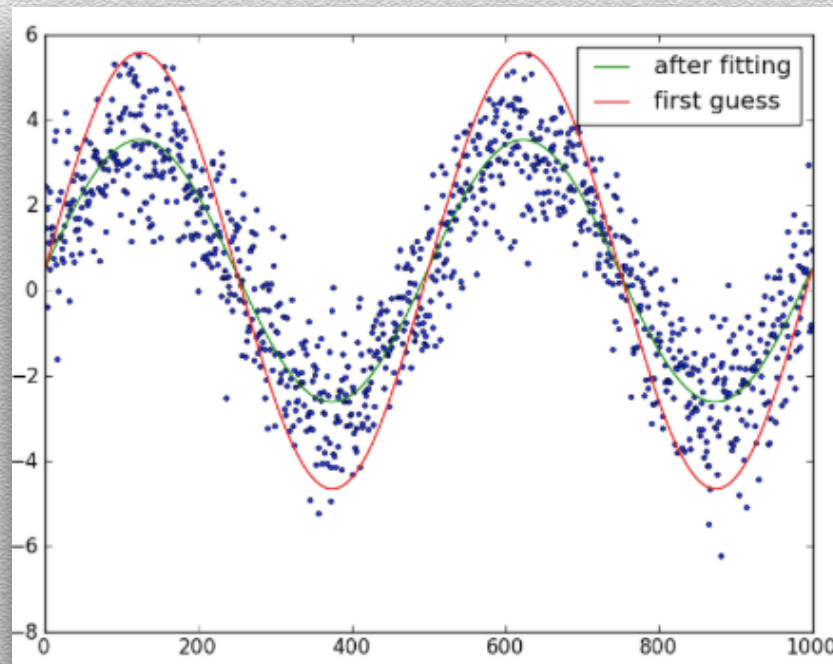
Optimization

“The Internet is a terribly
Un-optimized environment...”

Normalising the Not-so-Normal

TCP Protocol
is Lossy!

Mobile Networks
vs.
Fixed Networks

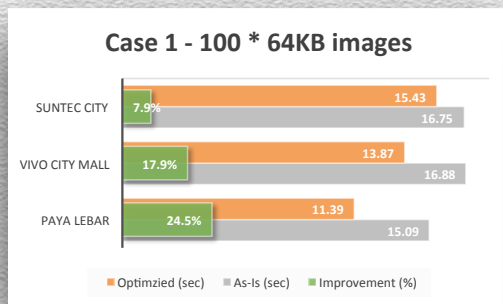
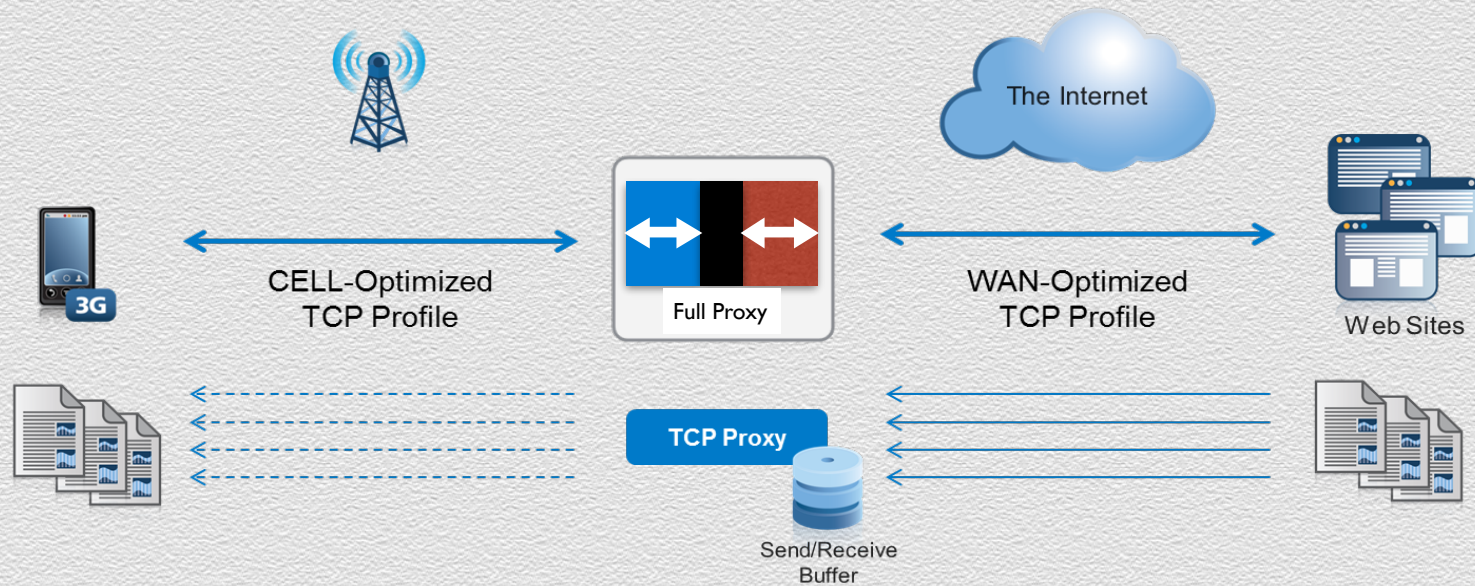


Protocol
RFC Compliance
HTTP / DNS / SIP

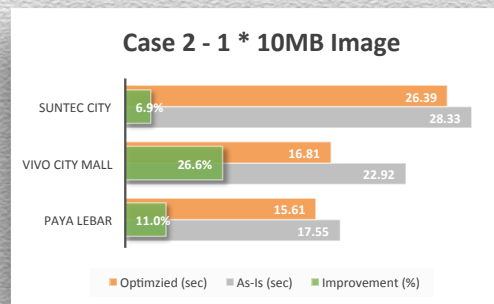
SSL Handshaking /
Cipher Support /
Compliance



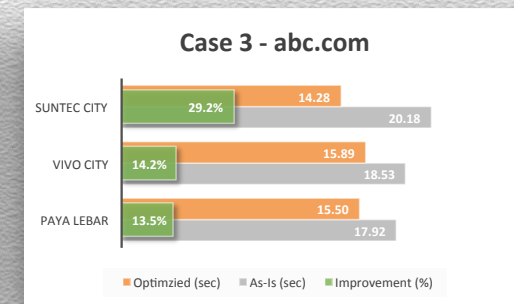
How a Full Proxy helps



7.9% - 24.5% ▲



6.9% - 26.6% ▲



13.5% - 29.2% ▲



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Traffic Manipulation

CAPTCHA
Injection

HTTP
Cookie
Injection

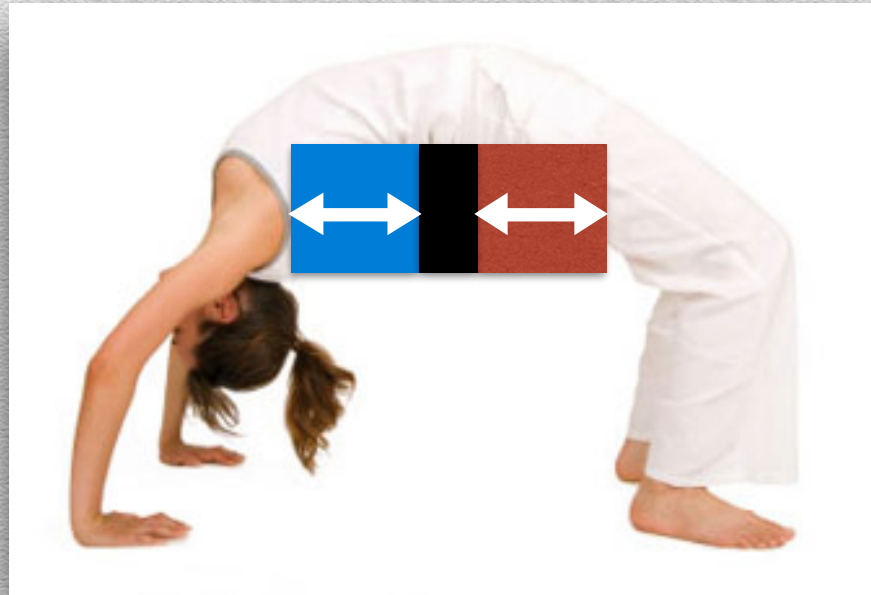
Deliberate
Delay
Injection

JavaScript
Injection

Selective
Redirects

Token
Injection

Browser
Fingerprinting



Ability to programmatically modify
***Any parameter in data path**
based on certain conditions

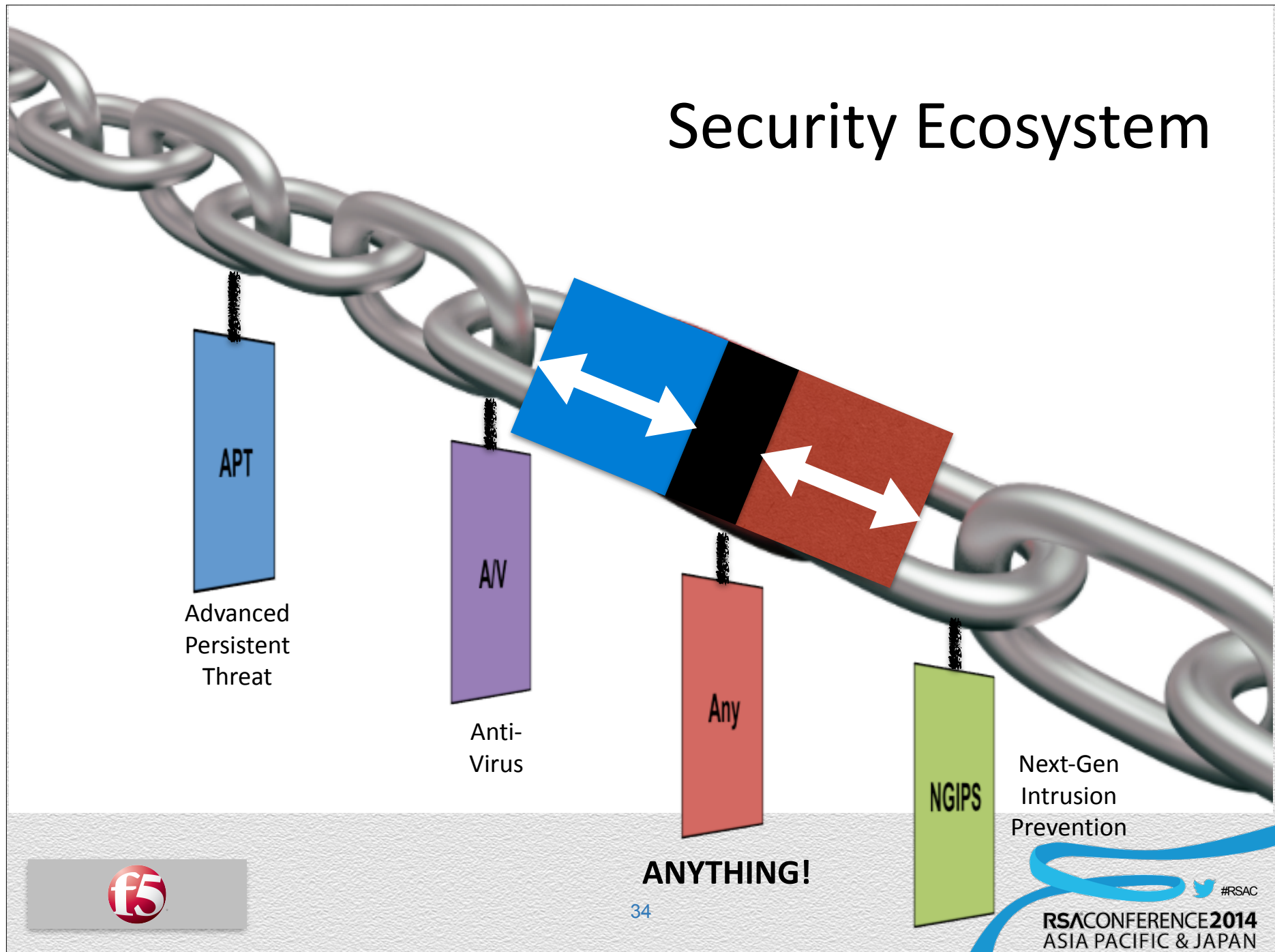


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Service Chaining

Security Ecosystem

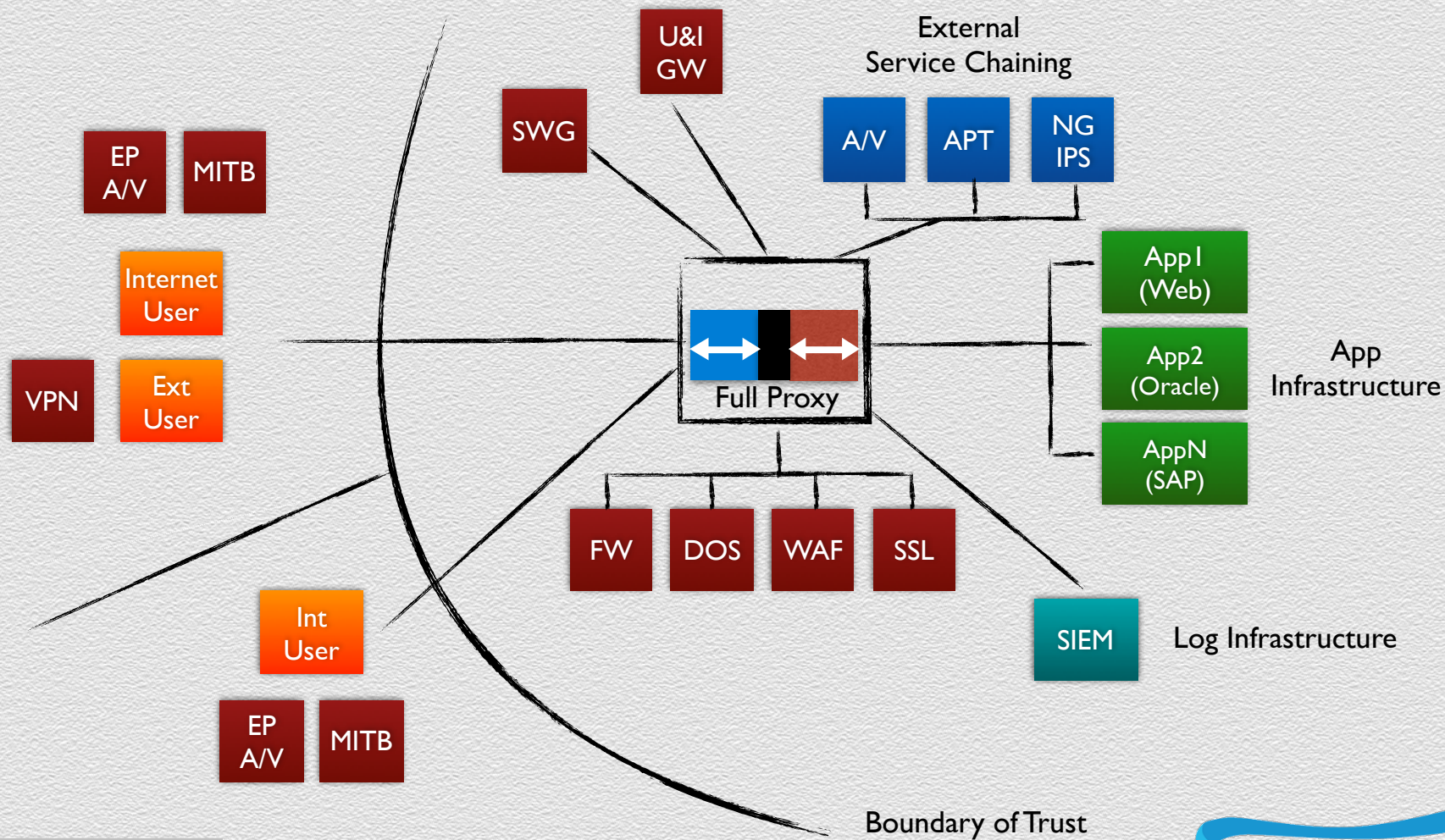


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NG DataCenter Architecture

Bird's Eye View

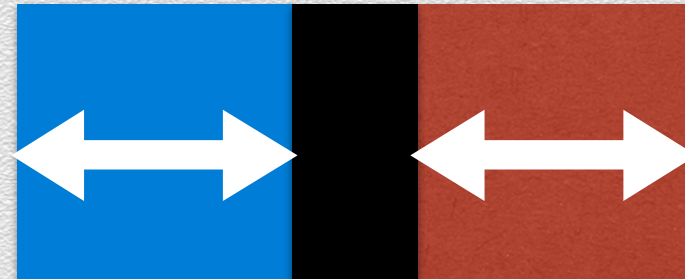




**Will Vader be the
one who will
bring balance back
to the Force?**



**Will the Full Proxy
be the Solution
to ALL Security
threats?**



Absolutely NOT!



Web Application
Protection

Enumeration

Secure Web
Gateway

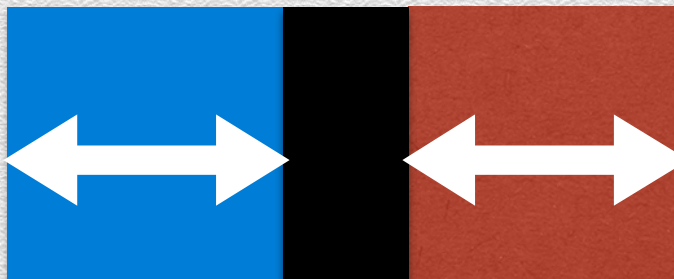
Layer 7 DDoS

Optimization

Layer 3/4 DDoS

Traffic
Manipulation

SSL



HeartBleed

Service
Chaining

**It can Absolutely
Help Enhance
Security in the
Modern Data-Center
with the Air Gap!**





Booth G8

Exciting Demos
(L3-L7 Threat
Protection &
Anti-Fraud
Prevention)

**Great
Prizes**



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