

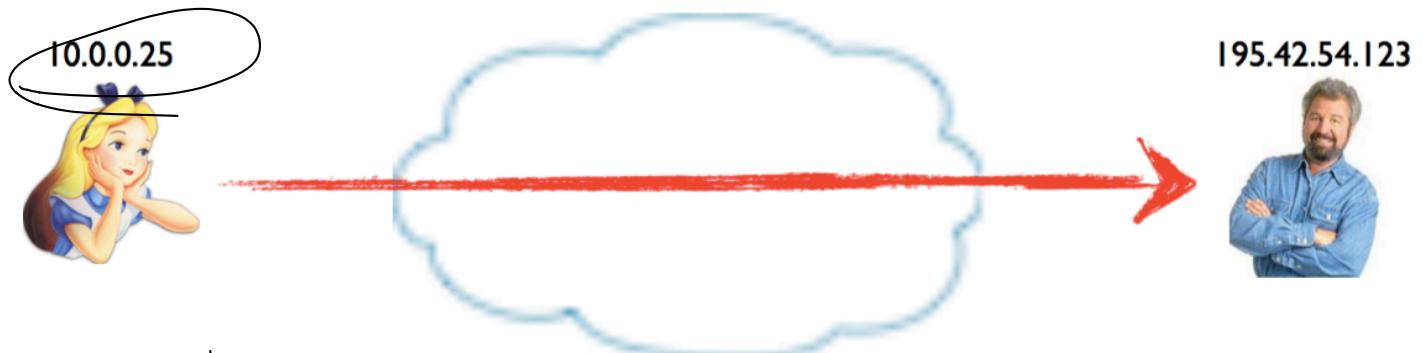
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Intrusion Protection



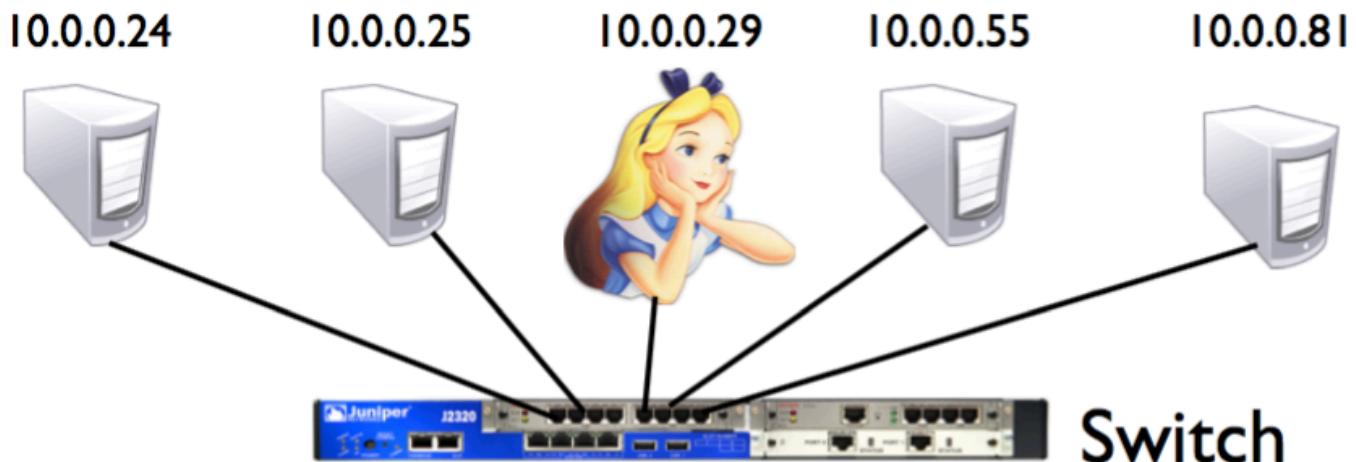
- Today
 - Software Defined Networking
 - SNORT Rules
 - Honeypots
- Assignments
 - Lab 1: Due Monday, Feb 22
 - Project
 - Topic Due: Monday, Feb 22

Routing Problem: How do Alice's messages get to Bob?



MAC 6 BYTES
INTERFACe
IP 4 BYTES
IPV4 128 BITS

Routing within the local network

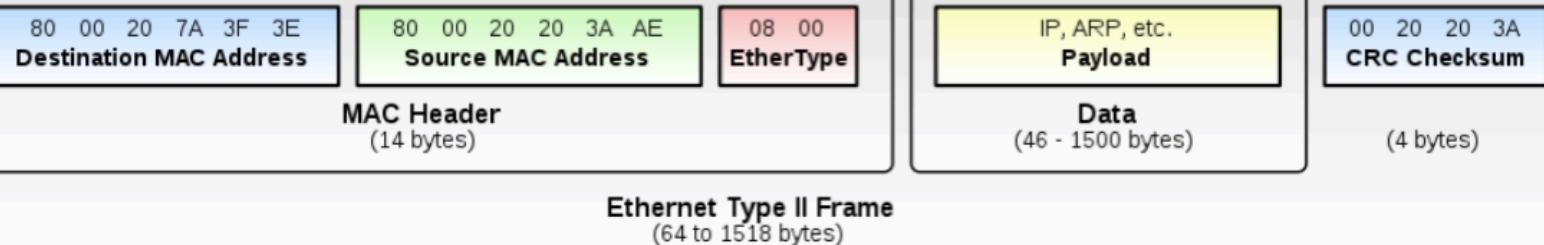
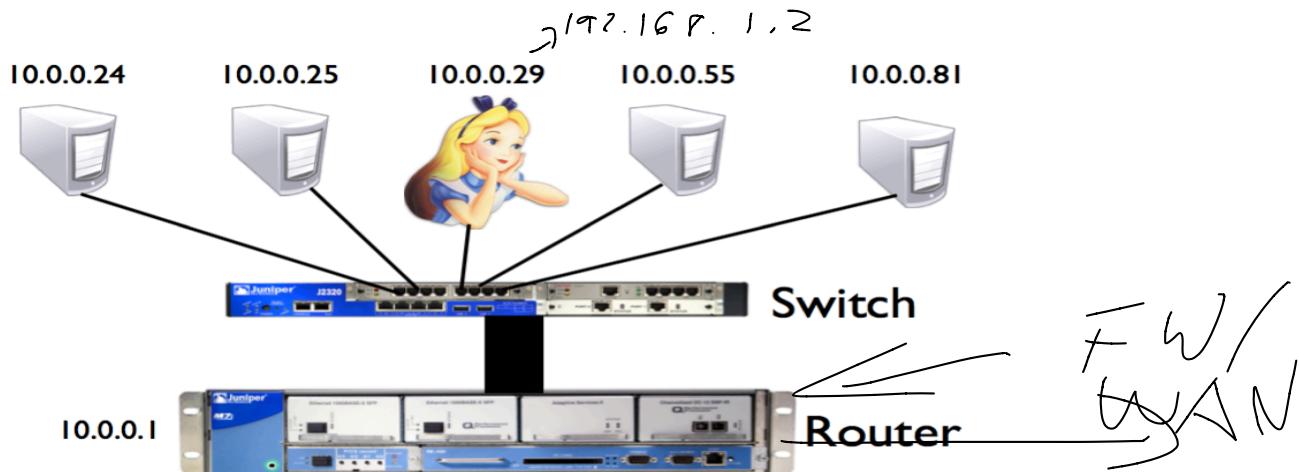


Each host knows the network prefix of the local network

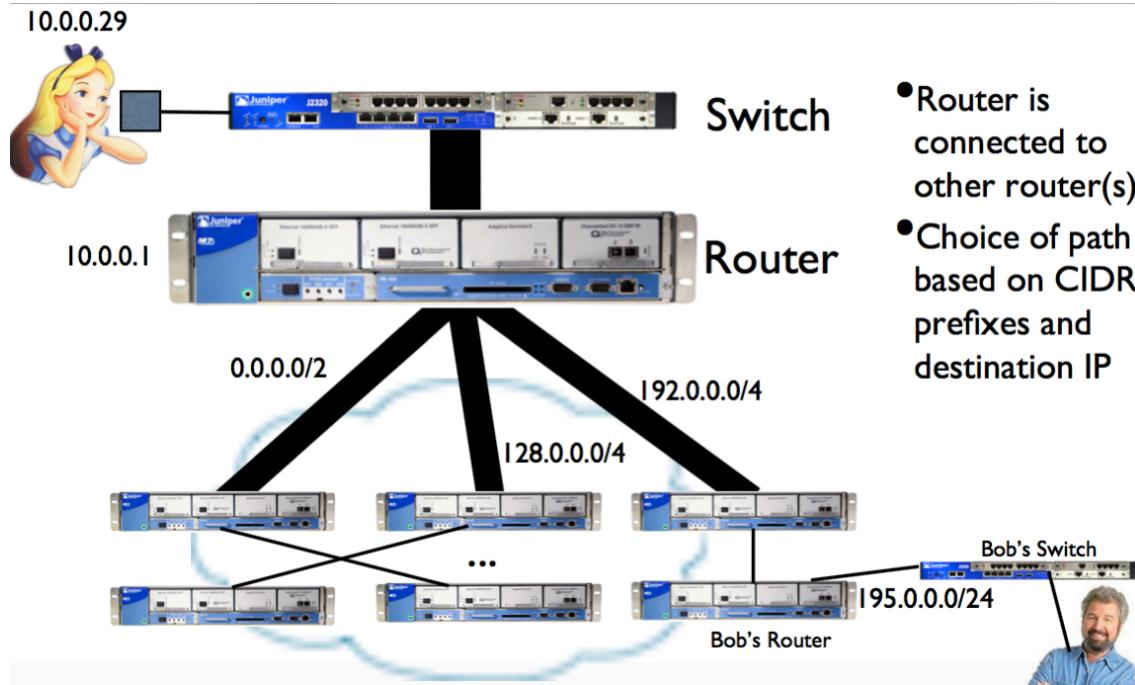
- All nodes within the local network are reachable within 1 hop
- **CIDR Notation:** BaseAddress/Prefix_Size
 - e.g., 10.0.0.0/24:

AIRP
IP → MAC

Routing outside the local subnet



Routing outside the local subnet



Software Defined Networking (SDN)

- Two packet activities
 - Routing – Path for packets
 - Control plane
 - Forwarding – Actual movement of the packet
 - Data plane
- Separation of Concerns
- OpenFlow protocol
- Open vSwitch
 - Controllers (floodlight, pox, etc.)

OVS

APPLICATION LAYER

Business Applications

CONTROL LAYER

*Floodlight
POX*

SDN
Control
Software

Network Services

INFRASTRUCTURE LAYER

Network Device

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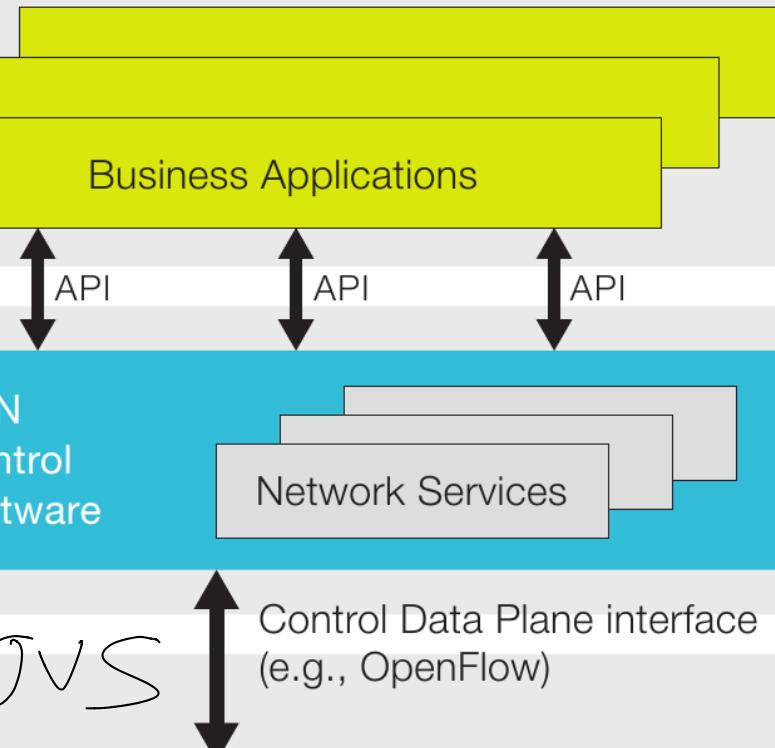
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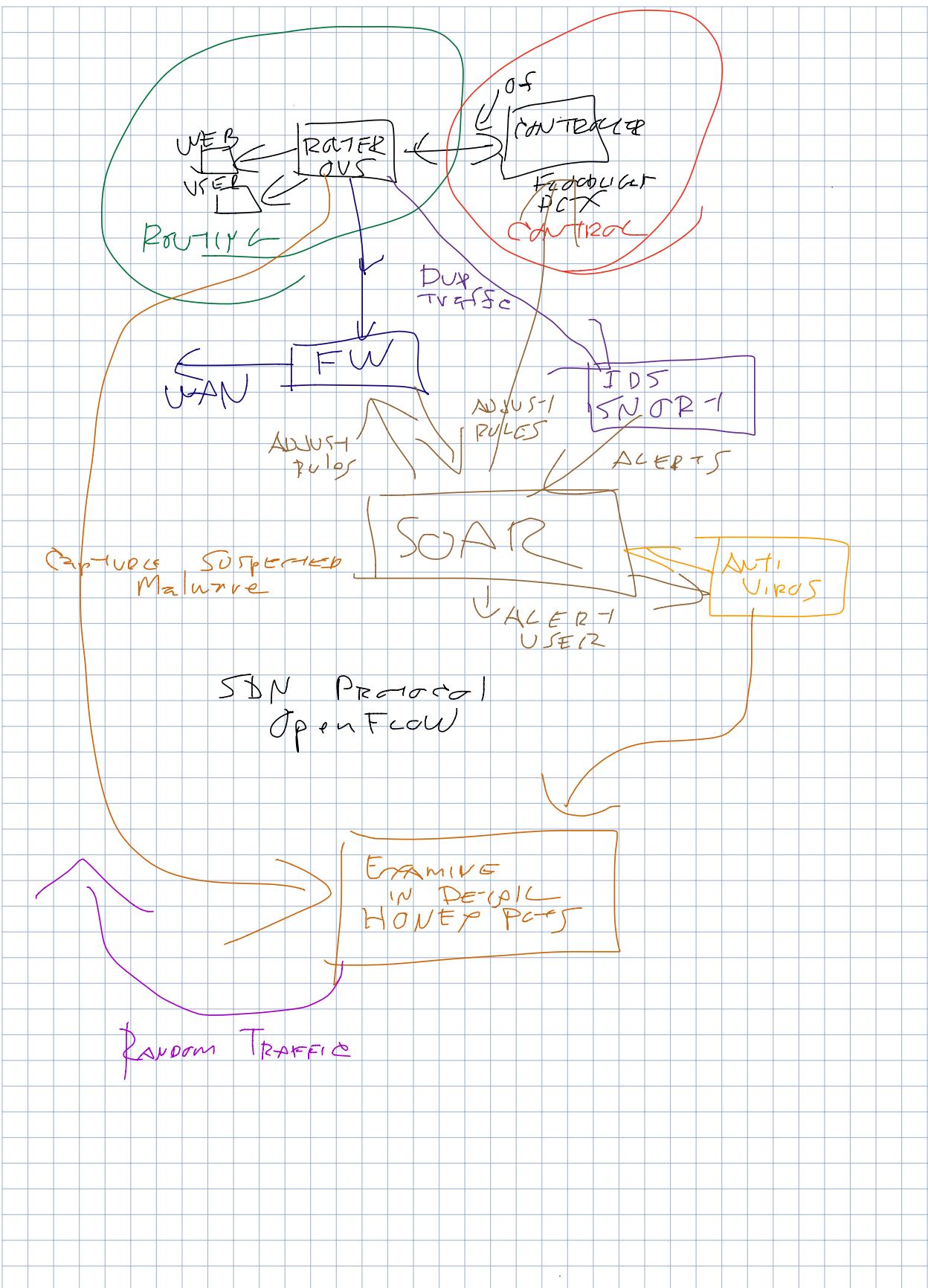
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Control Data Plane interface
(e.g., OpenFlow)





Snort

- Open source IDS
- Signature detection
- Lots of available rulesets



ACTION Protocol IP/PORT i.e. 10.0.0.0/16
alert tcp \$EXTERNAL_NET any -> \$SQL_SERVERS 3306 HEADER
options (msg:"MySQL root login attempt";
flow:to_server,established;
content:"|0A 00 00 01 85 04 00 00 80|root|00|"; 2 random of match
classtype:protocol-command-decode;
sid:1775;
rev:2;)

RULES
→ MATCH
→ ACTIONS
 ↳ ACID-1
 ↳ DROP, PASS, DEJECT
 ↳ PACKET REWRITING

IDCS Approaches
- RULES
- MACHINE LEARNING

MORE THAN A W
PACKETS
- RECONSTITUTE
 PROTOCOL
 PLAYLOAD
- HTTP REPLY
- MULTIPLE PACKET
- COMBINE INTO 1

How can we study attacks?

- Honeypots!
 - collection of decoy services (fake mail, web, ftp, etc.)
 - decoys often mimic behavior of unpatched and vulnerable services



Honeypots

- Three main uses:
 - **forensic analysis:** better understand how malware works; collect evidence for future legal proceedings
 - **risk mitigation:**
 - provide “low-hanging fruit” to distract attacker while safeguarding the actually important services
 - tarpits: provide very slow service to slow down the attacker
 - **malware detection:** examine behavior of incoming request in order to classify it as benign or malicious

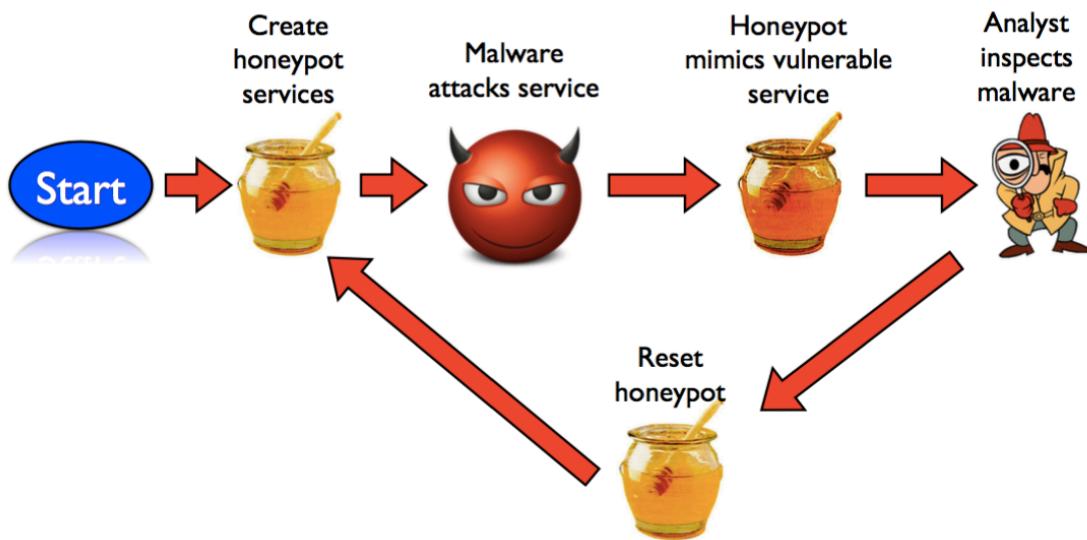
DET^IONATION
BOX



Honeypots

- Low Interaction: emulated services
 - inexpensive
 - may be easier to detect
- High Interaction: noemulation;honeypot maintained inside of real OS
 - Expensive
 - good realism

Example Honeypot Workflow



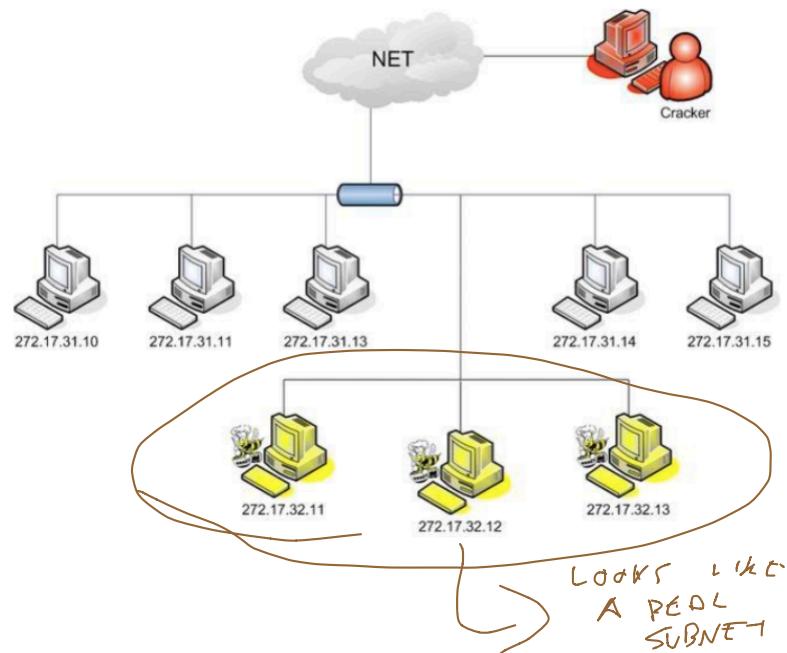
Challenges

- Honeypot must resemble actual machine
 - simulate actual services (Apache, MySQL, etc.)
 - but not too much... bad form to actually help propagate the worm (legal risks!)
- Some worms do a reasonably good job of detecting honeypots

Honeynets

- **Honeynet:** also called **honeyfarms**
 - Collection of honeypots that simulate a network; or
 - Single honeypot that emulates services on multiple emulated “machines” (that is, on a network)

Example Deployment



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- Open-source virtual honeynet
 - creates virtual hosts on network
 - services actually run on a single host
 - scriptable services



Internet Background Radiation

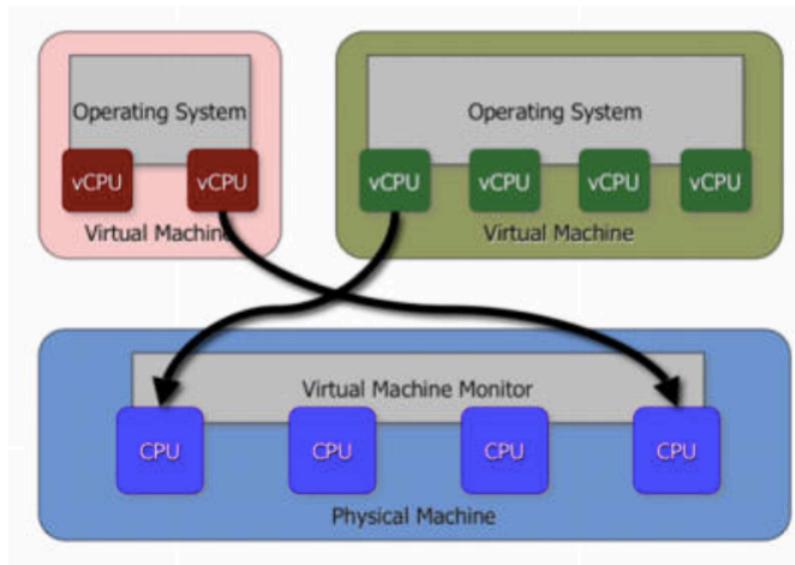
- **Internet Background Radiation or Backscatter:** Traffic that is sent to addresses on which no device is set up (these unused portions of the Internet are called **darknets**)
 - Backscatter primarily originates from spam, worms, and port scans
 - Estimated at 5.5Gbps
 - Estimated that 70% of background radiation due to Conficker Worm

DARKNETS LOOK FOR PATTERNS
- RANDOMNESS (ENTROPY) IS YOUR FRIEND
- ENCRYPTED DATA
 ↳ ALMOST UNSHAPABLE FROM RANDOM BYTES
- RANDOM PACKETS
 ↳ ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND THE "REAL" DATA

Virtual Machines

- **Virtual machine:** isolated virtual hardware running within a single operating system
 - i.e., a software implementation of hardware
 - usually provides emulated hardware which runs OS and other applications
 - i.e., a computer inside of a computer
- What's the point?
 - extreme software isolation -- programs can't easily interfere with one another if they run on separate machines
 - much better hardware utilization than with separate machines
 - power savings
 - easy migration -- no downtime for hardware repairs/improvements

Virtual Machines



Honeypots and VMs

- Most virtual machines provide checkpointing features
 - **Checkpoint** (also called **snapshot**) consists of all VM state (disk, memory, etc.)
 - In normal VM usage, user periodically creates snapshots before making major changes
 - Rolling back (“restoring”) to snapshot is fairly inexpensive
- **Checkpointing features are very useful for honeypots**
 - Let malware do its damage
 - Pause VM and safely inspect damage from virtual machine monitor
 - To reset state, simply restore back to the checkpoint

Detecting VMs

- Lots of research into detecting when you're in a virtual machine
 - examine hardware drivers
 - time certain operations
 - look at ISA support
- Malware does this too!
 - if not in VM, wreak havoc
 - if in VM, self-destruct