

Device Access Security

Privilege Level Passwords



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Level 0:

- Most restricted
- 5 available commands

Level 1 (User Level):

- Read-only commands

Level 15 (Privileged Level):

- Complete device control



Privilege Level Passwords

Least Privilege Principle:

Users should only have the minimum level of access necessary to perform their job duties.

- Helpdesk support staff
- Junior admins
- Senior engineers



Line Passwords

CTY Line:

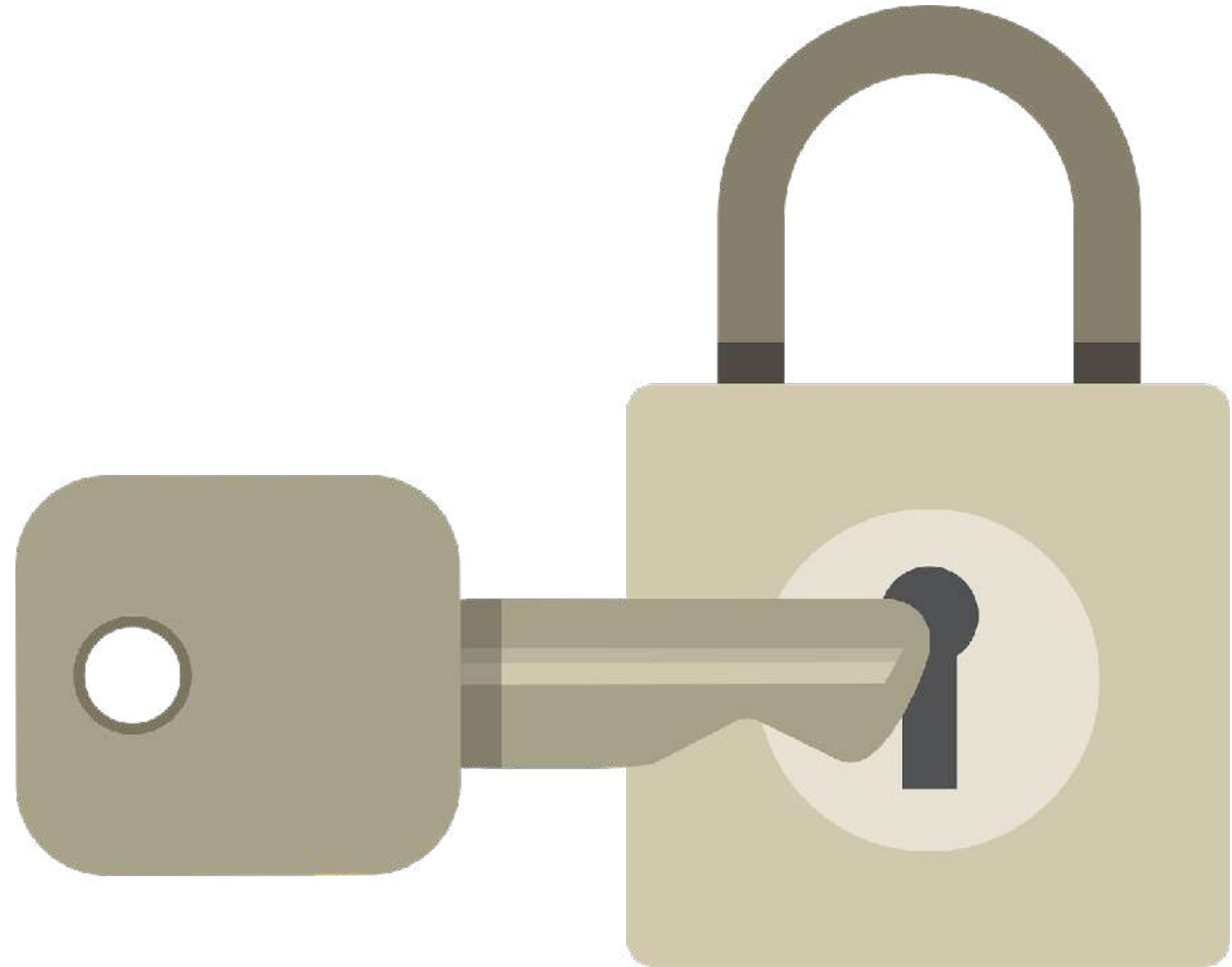
- Console port
- Initial configuration

AUX Line:

- Auxiliary port
- Backup console port

VTY Lines:

- Virtual terminal connections
- Inbound telnet control



AAA with a Local Database

Authentication:

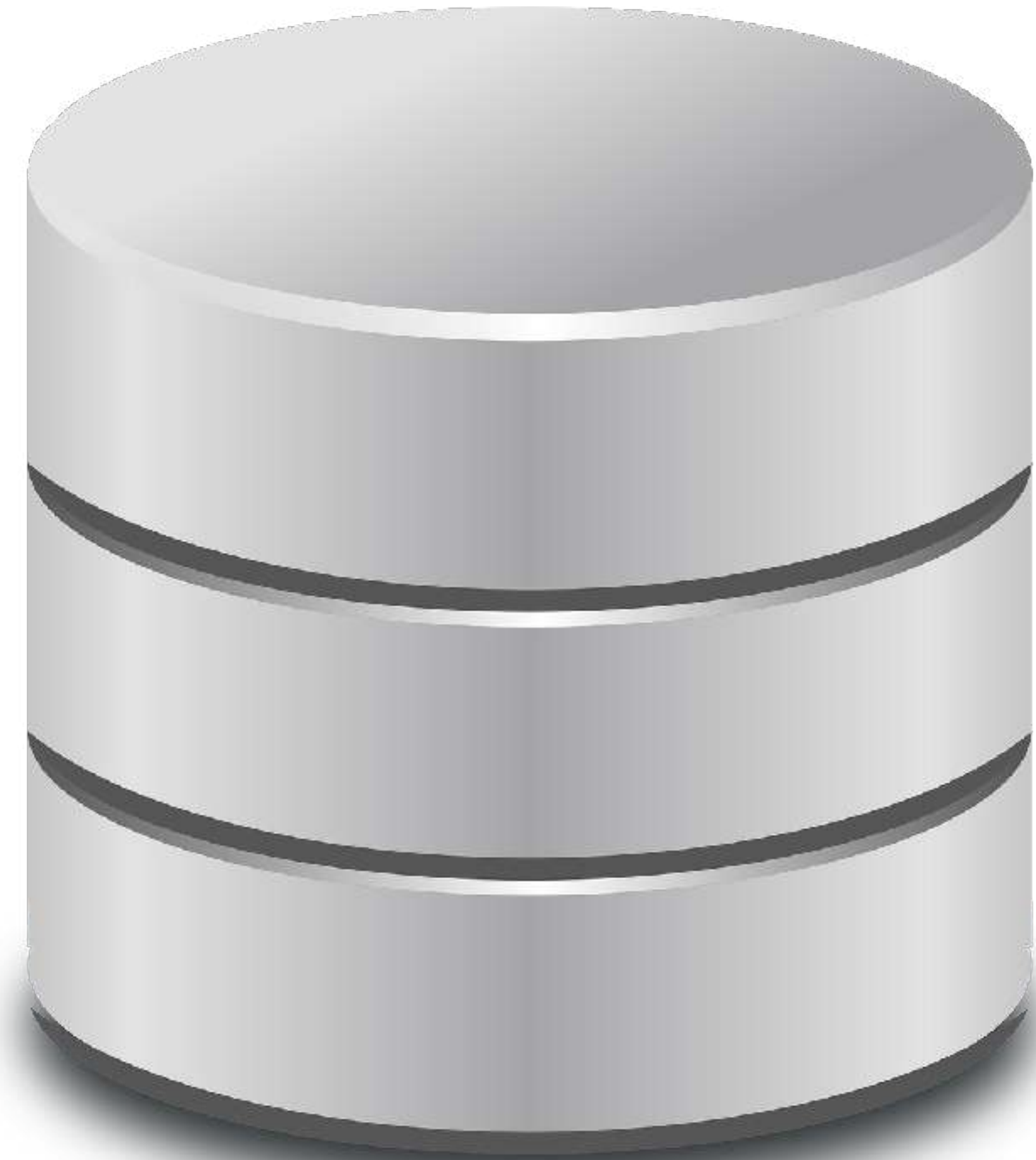
- Proof of identity
- Username/password

Authorization:

- Privileges and restrictions
- Authentication does not ensure authorization

Accounting:

- Record of user actions
- Log files



AAA with a Local Database

External AAA:

- RADIUS
- TACACS+

RADIUS:

- IETF open standard
- UDP ports 1812/1813
- Encrypts password field only
- Network access

TACACS+:

- Cisco-proprietary
- Encrypts entire payload
- TCP port 49
- Device administration



Infrastructure Security

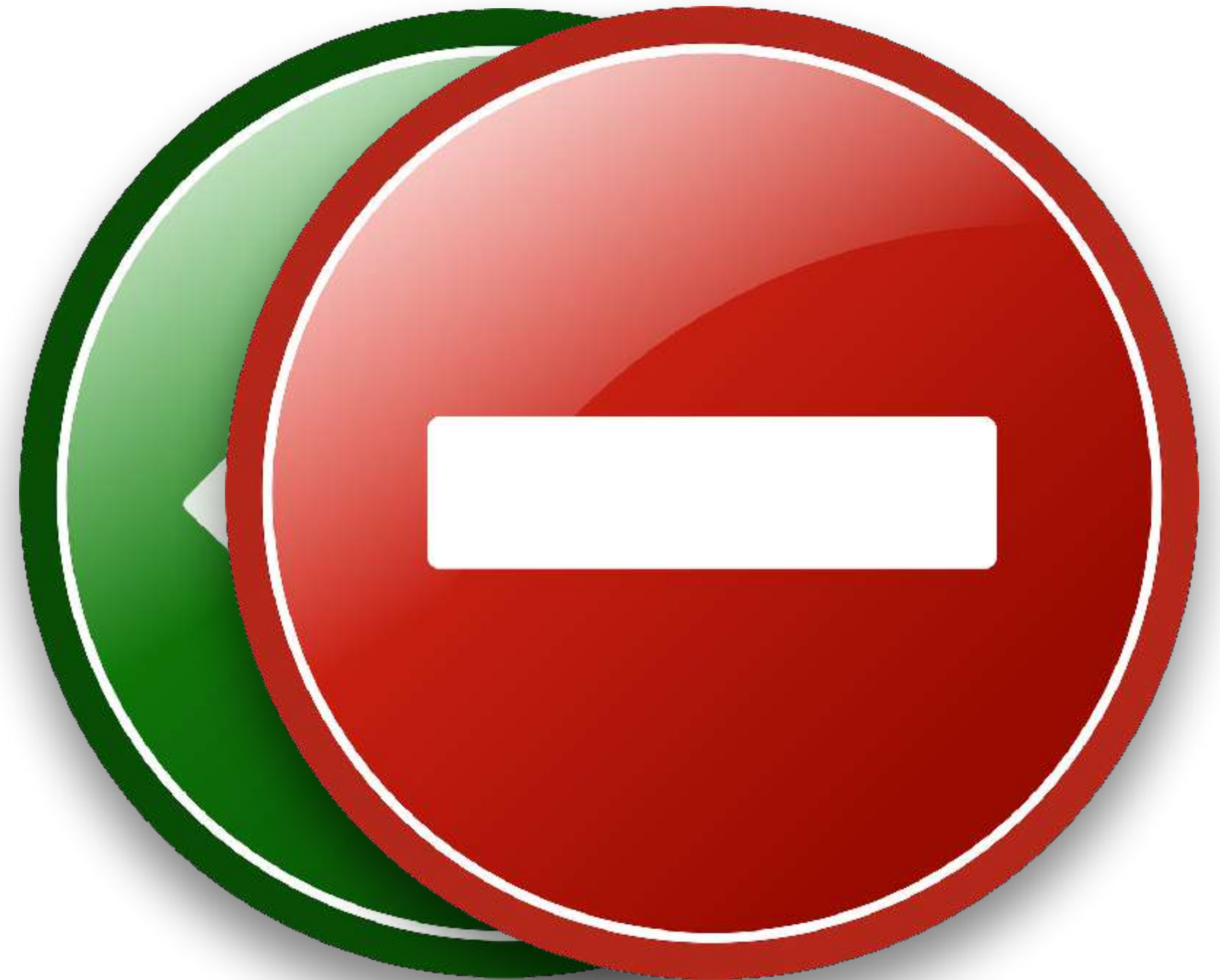
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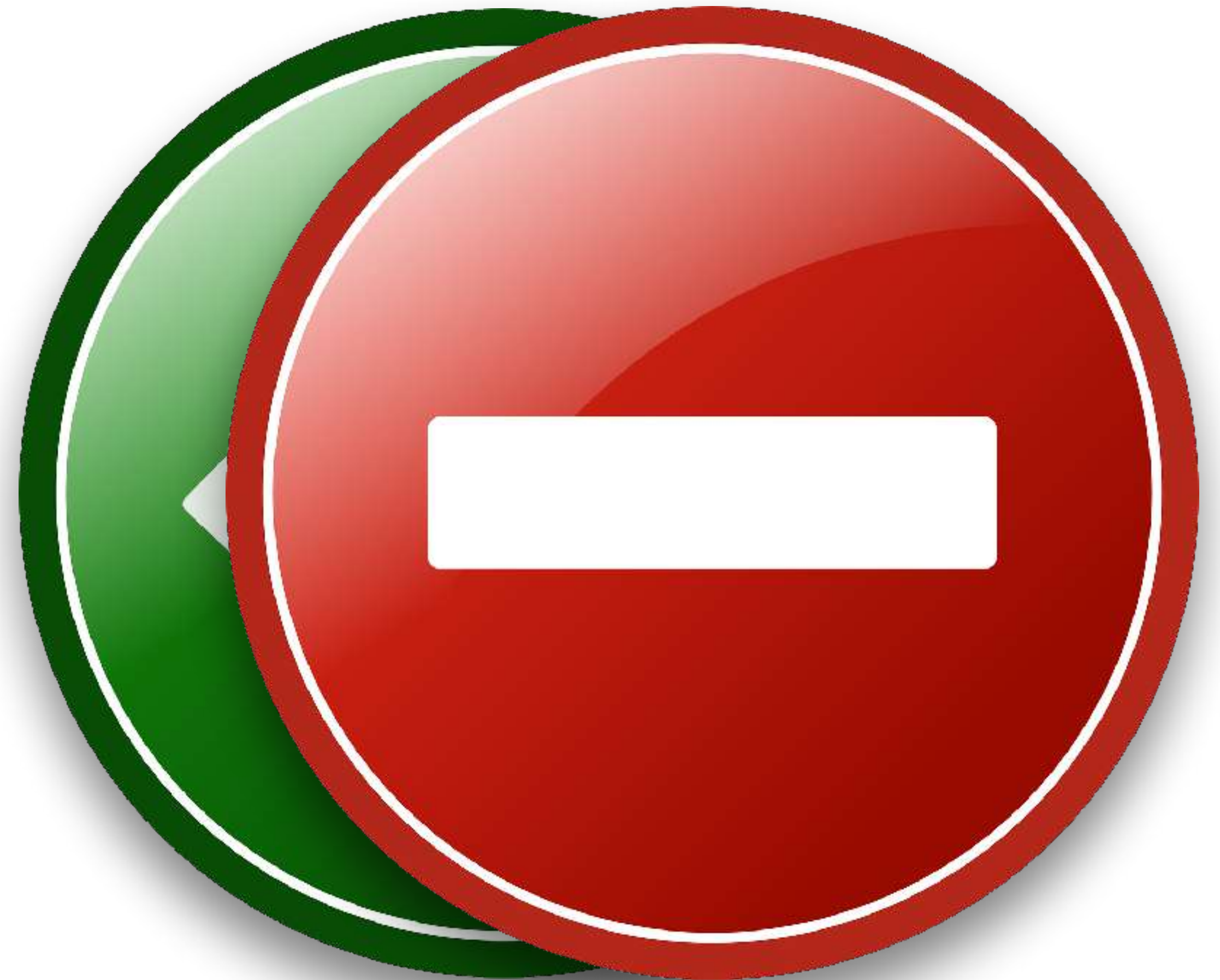
- Made up of access control entries (ACEs)
- Processed in a top-down manner
- Permit or deny traffic based on parameters
- Also used for traffic classification



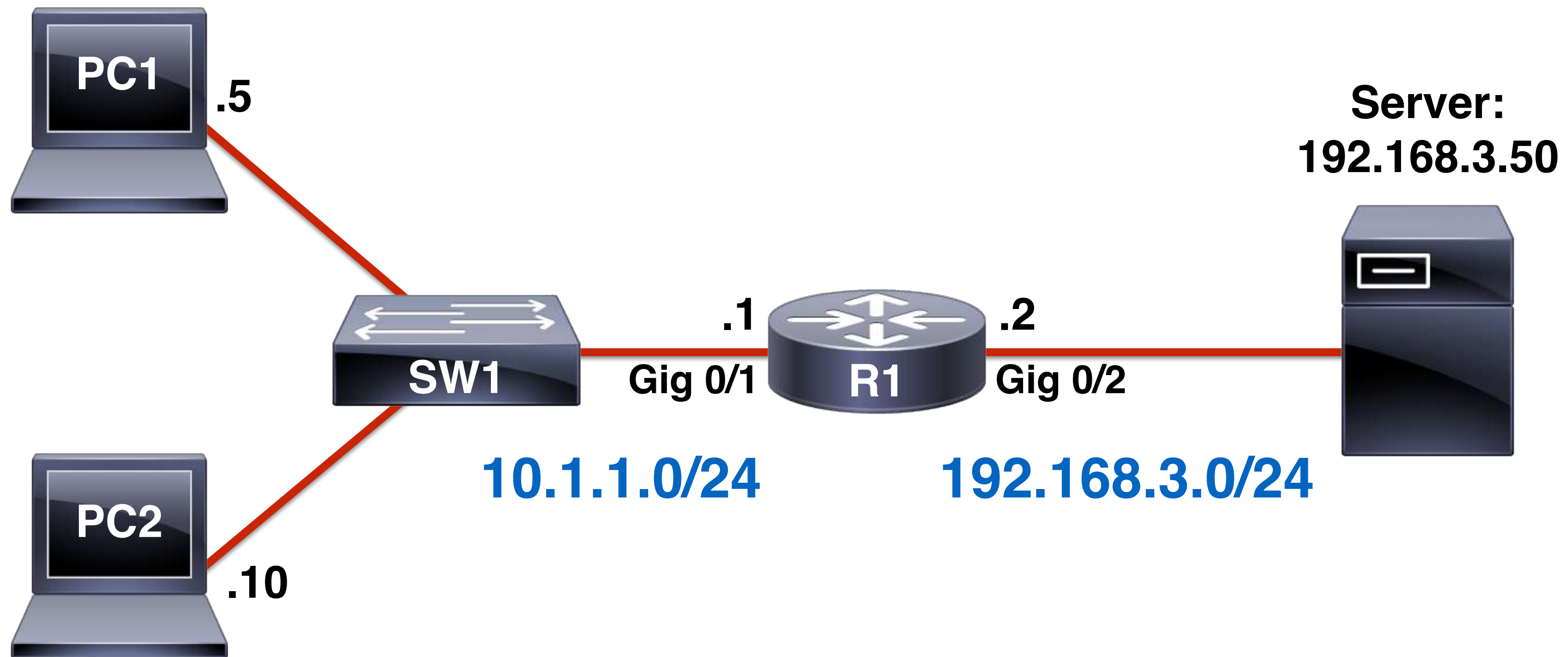
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Standard Access Control Lists (ACLs):

- Only match source IP address
- Permit or deny entire protocol suite
- Numbers 1 - 99 (normal range)
- Numbers 1300 - 1999 (expanded range)
- Place as close to the destination as possible



Standard Access Control List (ACL) Configuration



Goals:

1. Permit all traffic from PC1 to Server
2. Deny all traffic from PC2 to Server

Extended Numbered ACL Configuration



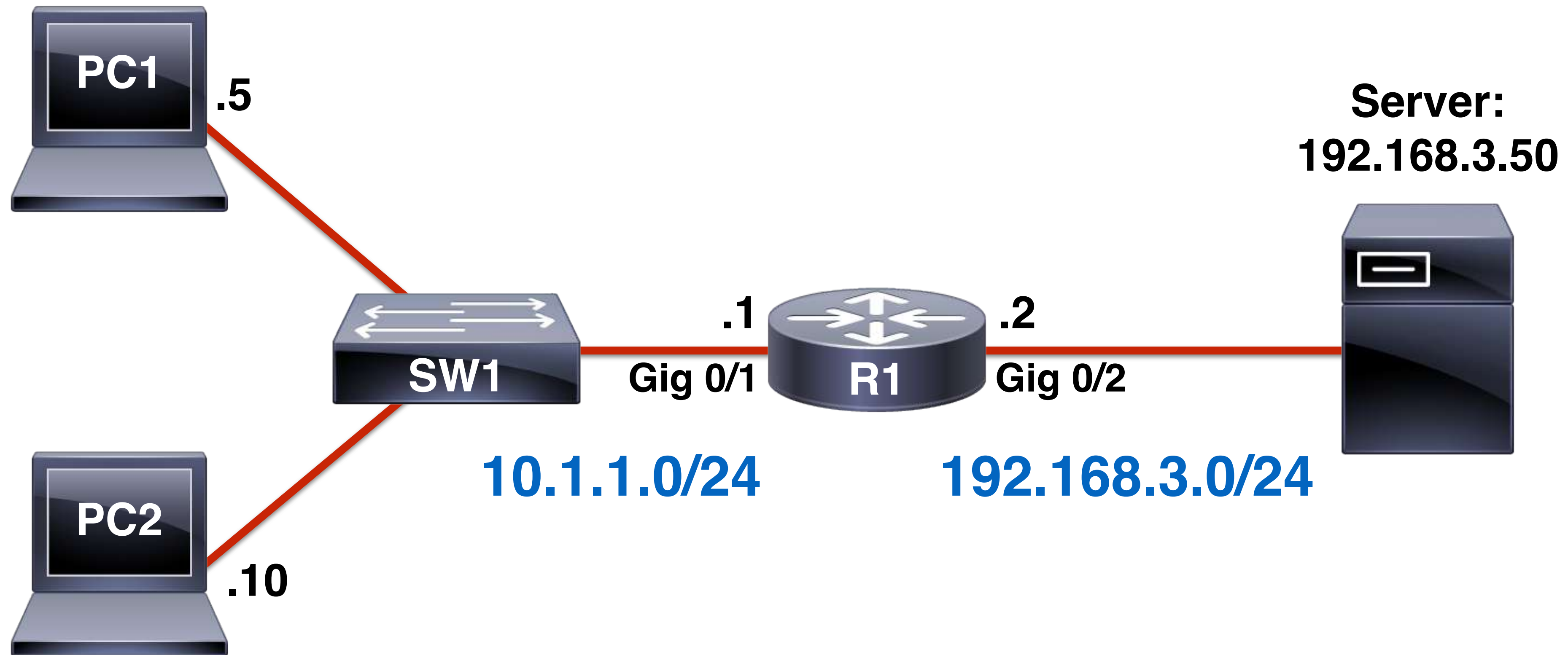
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Extended Access Control Lists (ACLs):

- Match source and destination IP addresses
- Specific filtering of protocols
- Numbers 100 - 199 (normal range)
- Numbers 2000 - 2699 (expanded range)
- Placed as close to the source as possible



Extended Numbered ACL Configuration



Goals:

1. Deny telnet traffic from PC1 to Server
2. Permit all other traffic from both hosts

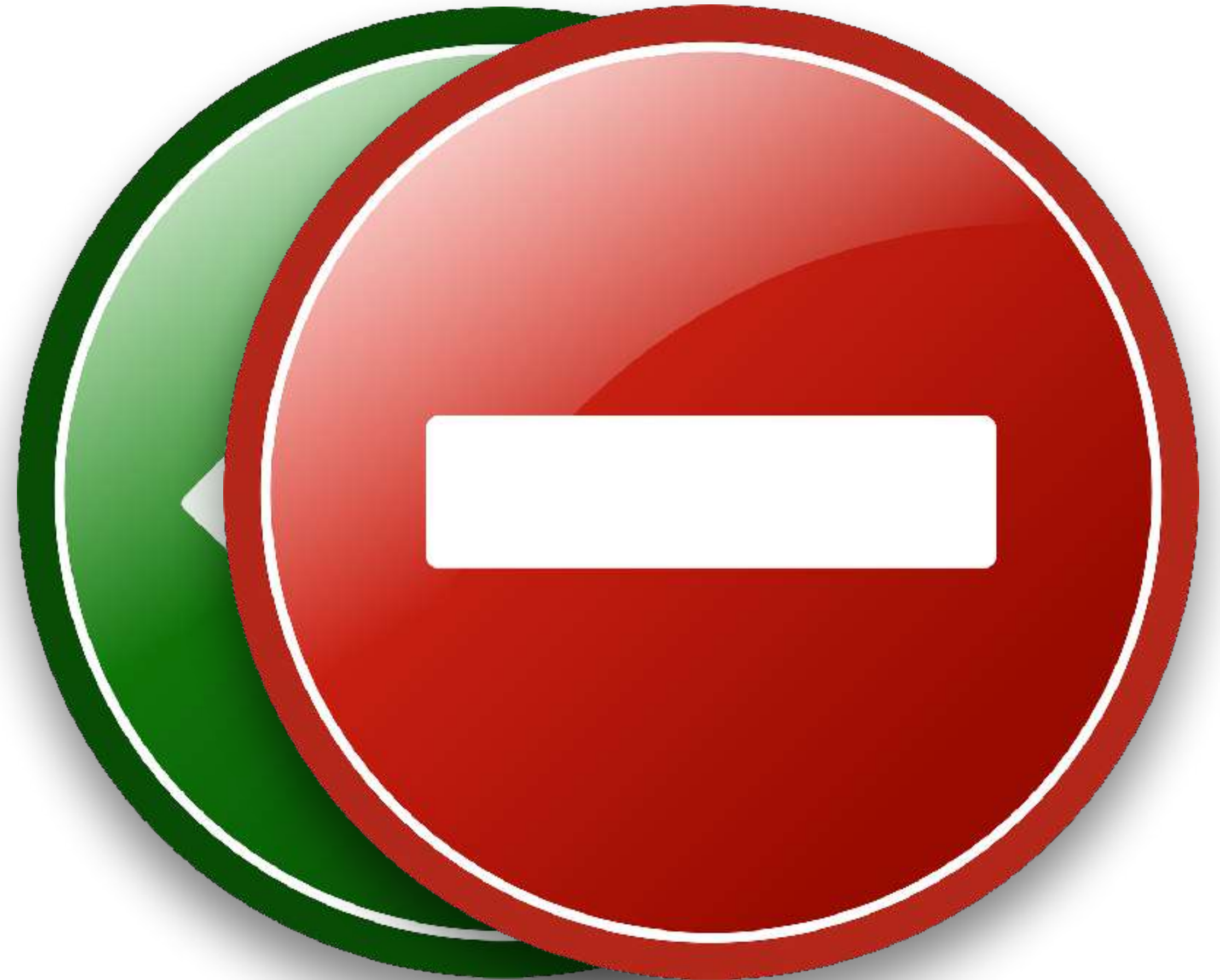
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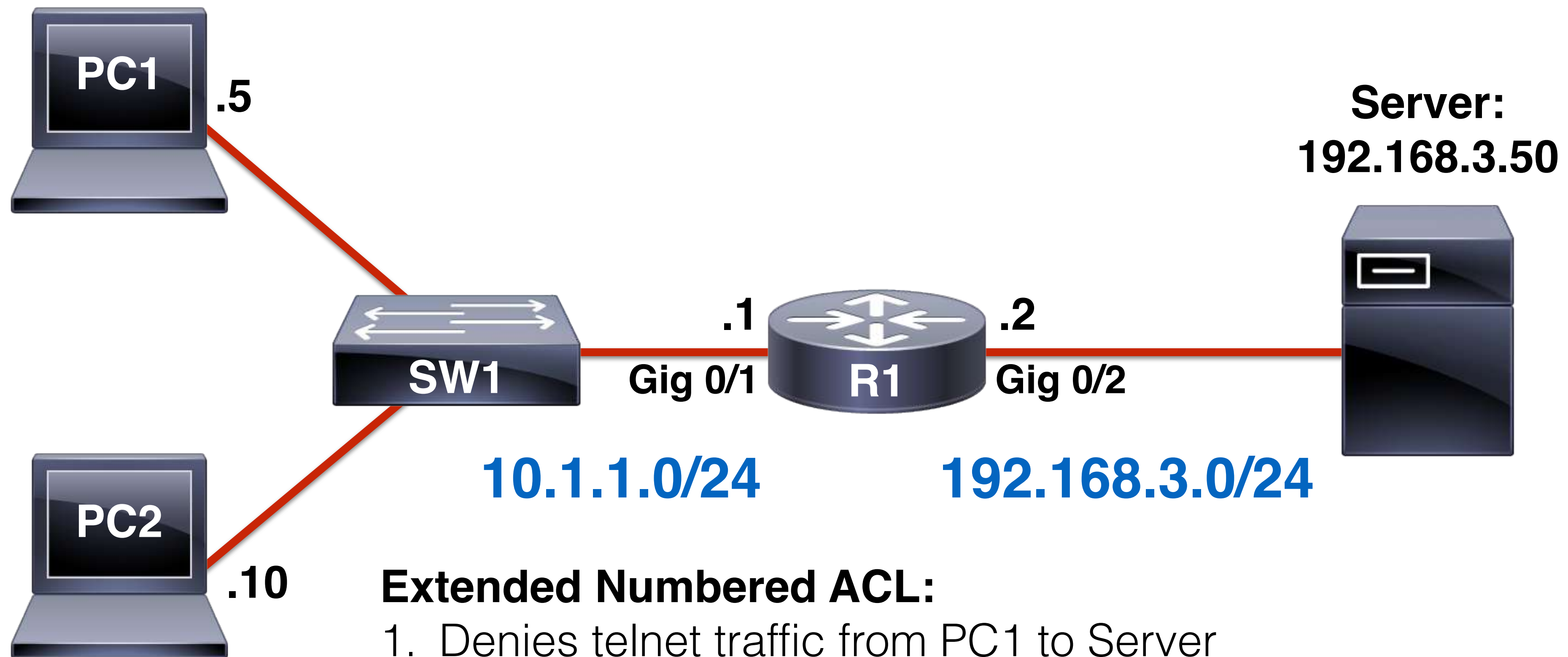
Extended Named ACL Configuration

Extended Named ACLs:

- More intuitive naming convention
- Easier to identify ACL purpose
- Allows an ACL to be edited



Extended Numbered ACL Configuration



Extended Numbered ACL:

1. Denies telnet traffic from PC1 to Server
2. Permits all other traffic from both hosts

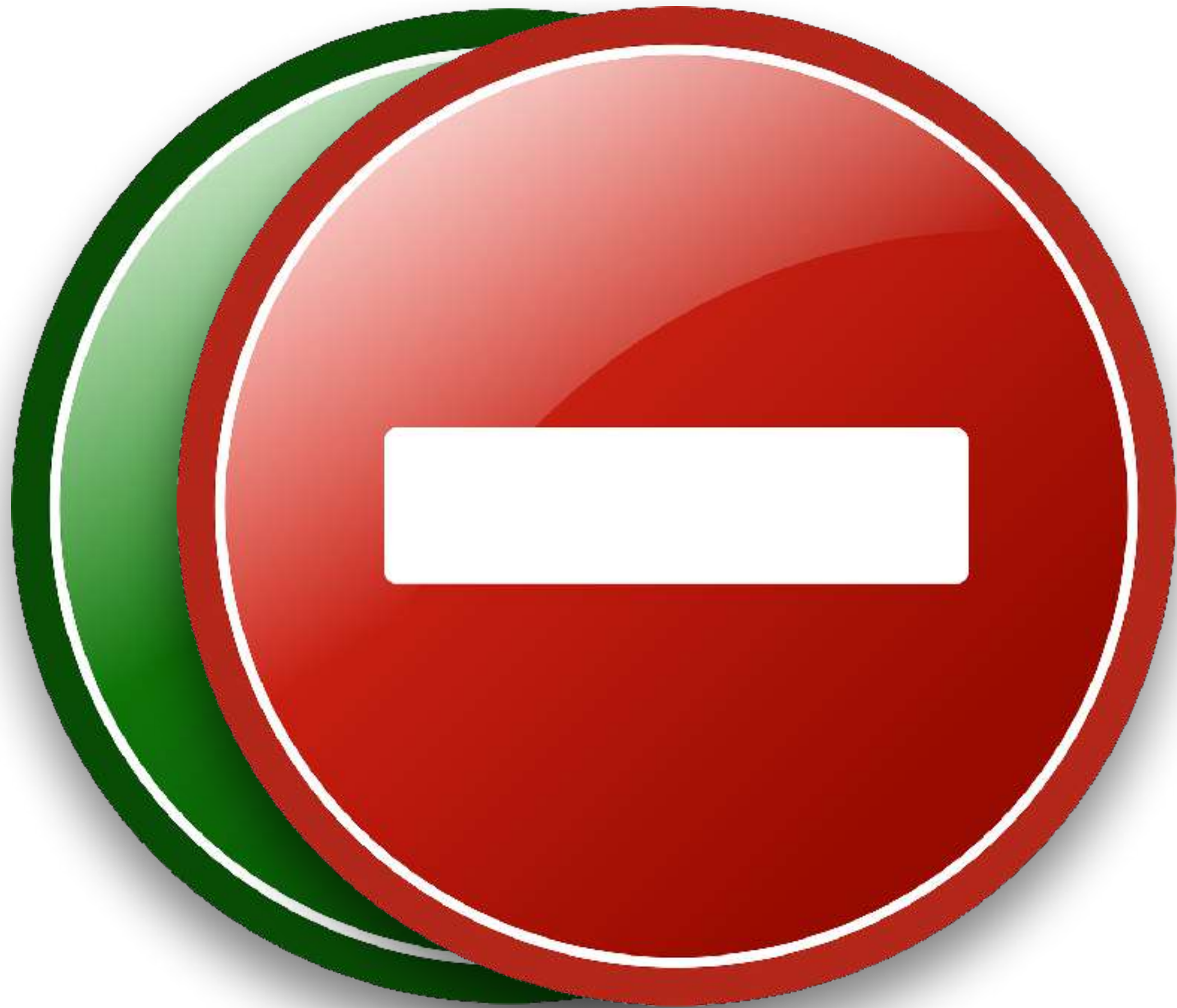
Additional Requirements:

1. Deny HTTP traffic from PC1 to Server

ACL Considerations



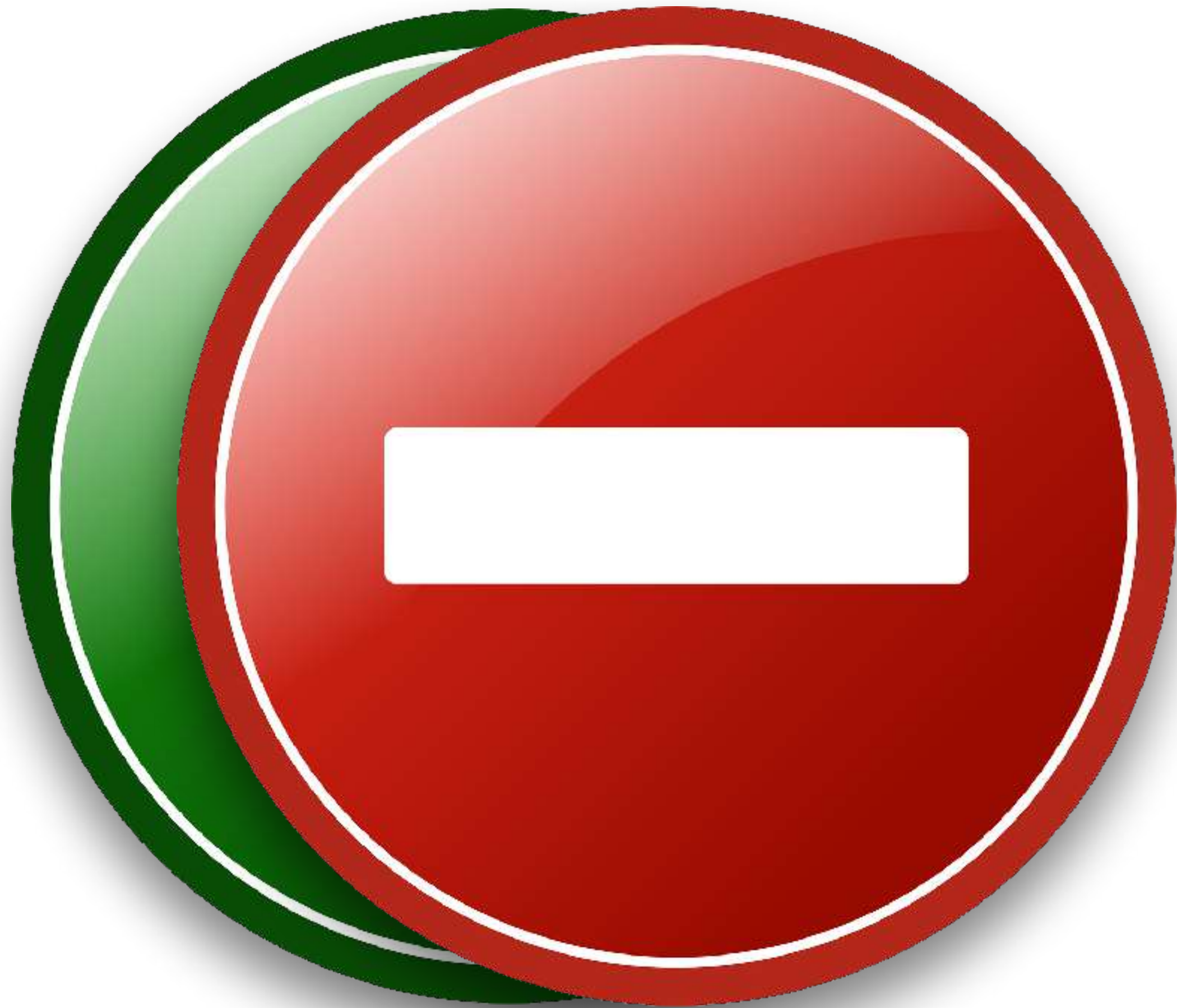
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Access Control Lists (ACLs)

- List of rules that perform packet filtering
- Access control entries (ACEs)
- Sequentially processed from top-down
- Specific rules at top, general rules at bottom
- Implicit ***deny any*** at the end of each ACL

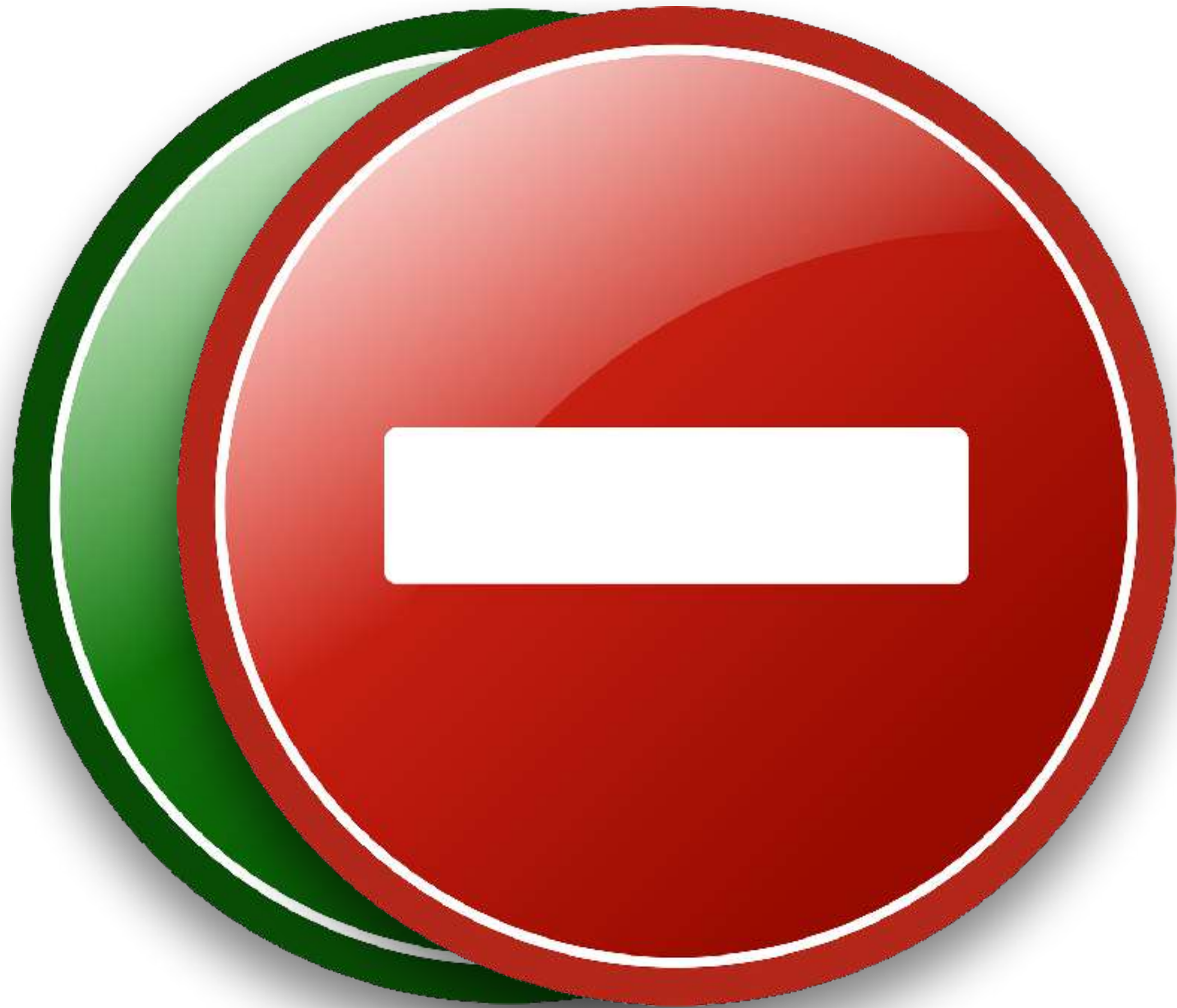
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Standard ACLs:

- Not as extensive or flexible
- Match traffic to an entire protocol suite
- Match traffic based on source addressing
- Place as close to the destination as possible

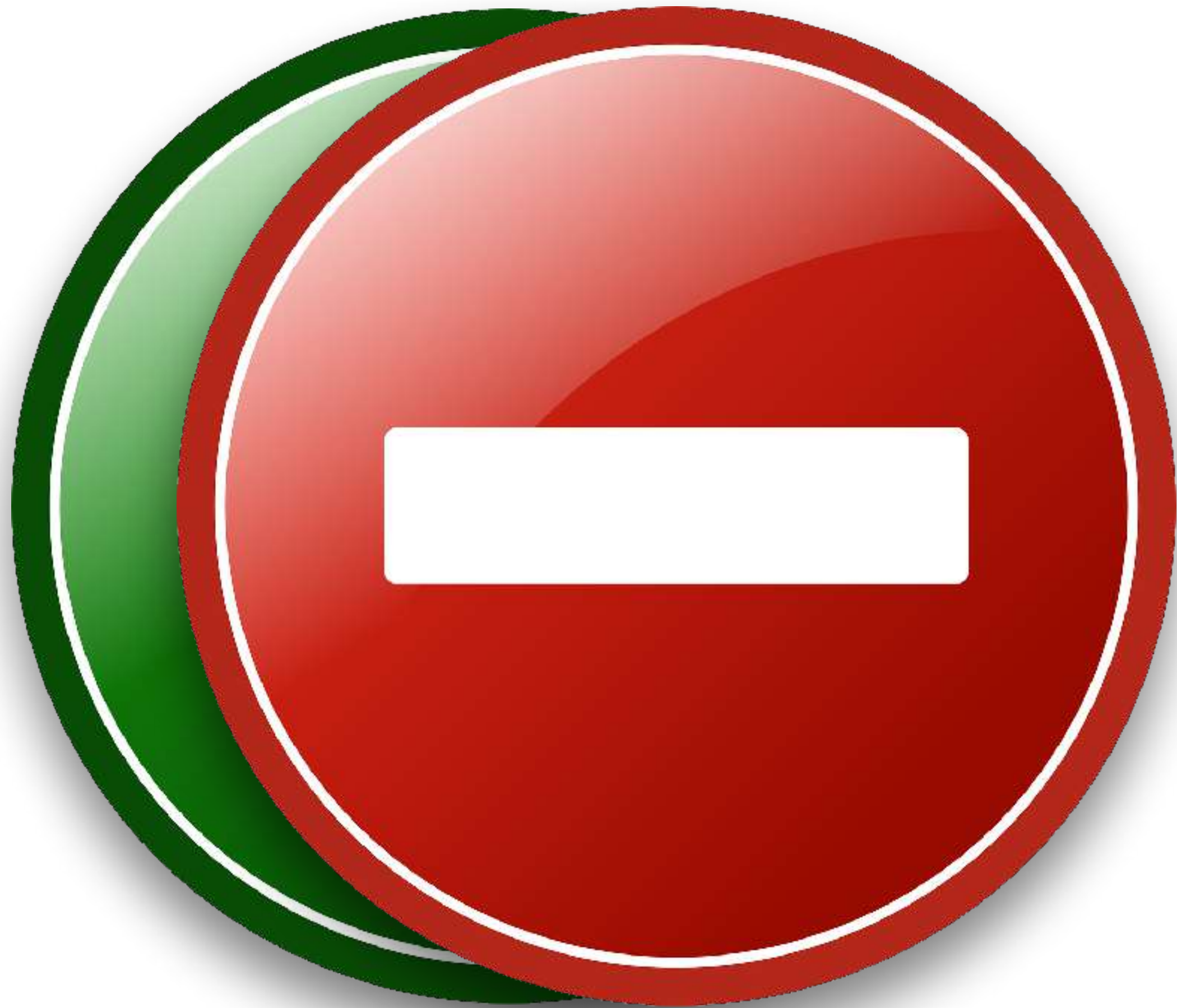
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Extended ACLs:

- More powerful and flexible
- Can distinguish between protocol types
- Match traffic based on source and destination
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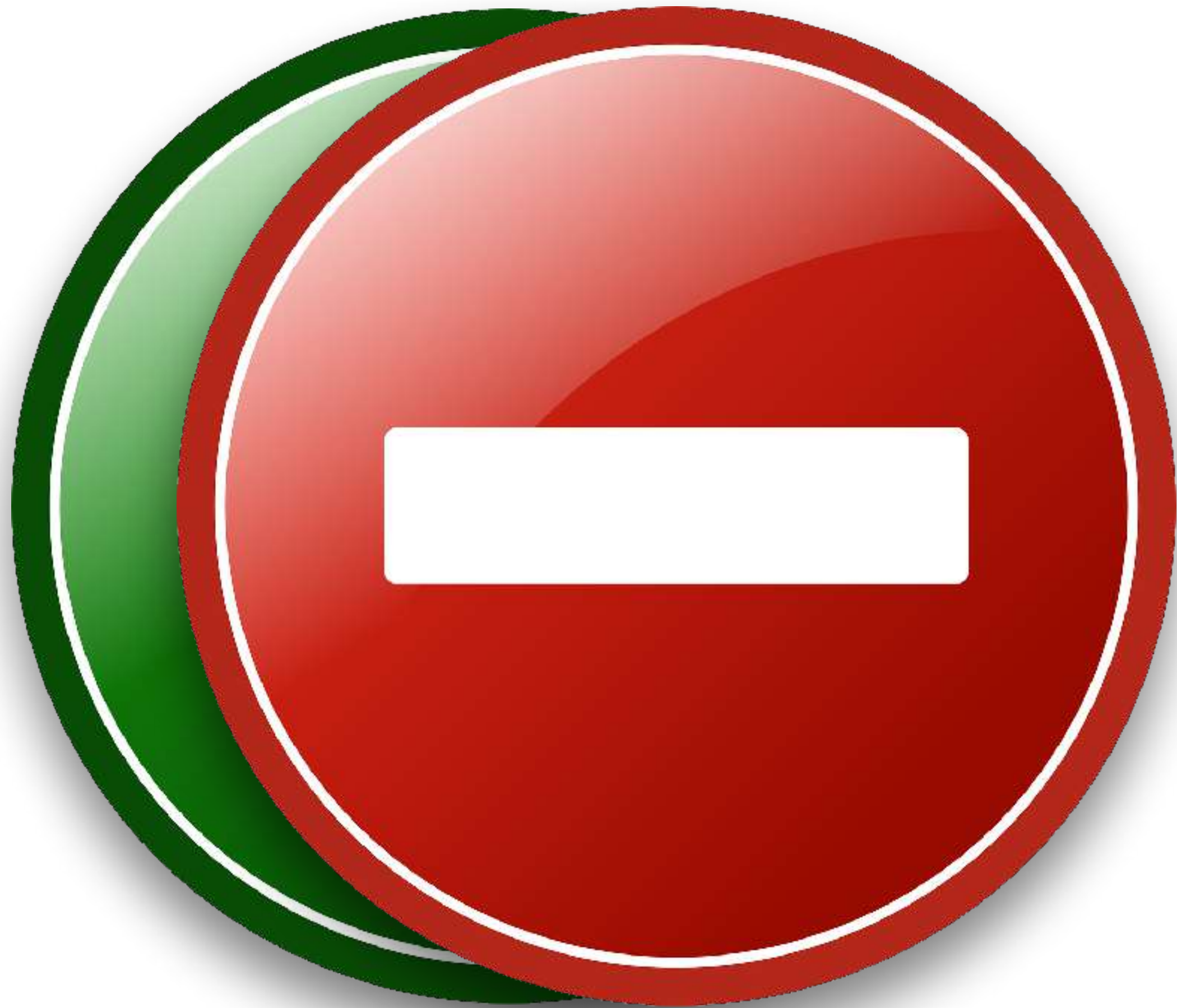
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Named ACLs:

- Intuitive naming convention
- ACL editing using sequence numbers

ACL Considerations



- Be mindful of inbound vs. outbound direction
- Create ACL before applying to interface
- Command ***permit any any*** overrides implicit deny at the end
- Keyword ***remark*** creates comments
- Keyword ***log*** creates logging entries

Control Plane Policing

Control Plane Policing (CoPP) Theory

Control Plane Policing (CoPP):

- Used to protect a device's route processor (RP)
- Protection from DoS conditions
- QoS policy used to rate-limit traffic



Control Plane Policing (CoPP) Theory



***DATA
PLANE***

- User plane
- Traffic transiting the router

***CONTROL
PLANE***

- Traffic initiated by the router
- Traffic destined to the router

***MANAGEMENT
PLANE***

- Management, configuration, and monitoring

Control Plane Policing (CoPP) Theory



Control Plane Policing (CoPP):

- Control plane considered as a separate entity, with its own ingress and egress ports
- Allows for traffic filtering and rate limiting through Modular QoS CLI (MQC)
- MQC concepts - **class maps**, **policy maps**, and **service policies**

Control Plane Policing (CoPP) Theory



Class Maps:

- Classify network traffic based on Layer 3, 4, and 7 information

Policy Maps:

- Define a series of actions to be taken against traffic matching a class map

Service Policies:

- Specify where a policy map should be implemented

Control Plane Policing (CoPP) Theory



Main objectives for CoPP:

- Identify and rate limit traffic that reaches the control plane
- Protect IOS process memory, buffers, and ingress packet queues
- Protection against DoS attacks

CoPP Configuration

Control Plane Policing (CoPP):

- Create an ACL to identify traffic
- Create a class map to classify the traffic
- Create a policy map to define the action taken against the traffic
- Create a service policy to enable policing on the control plane interface



Wireless Security

Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP)



802.1x Authentication:

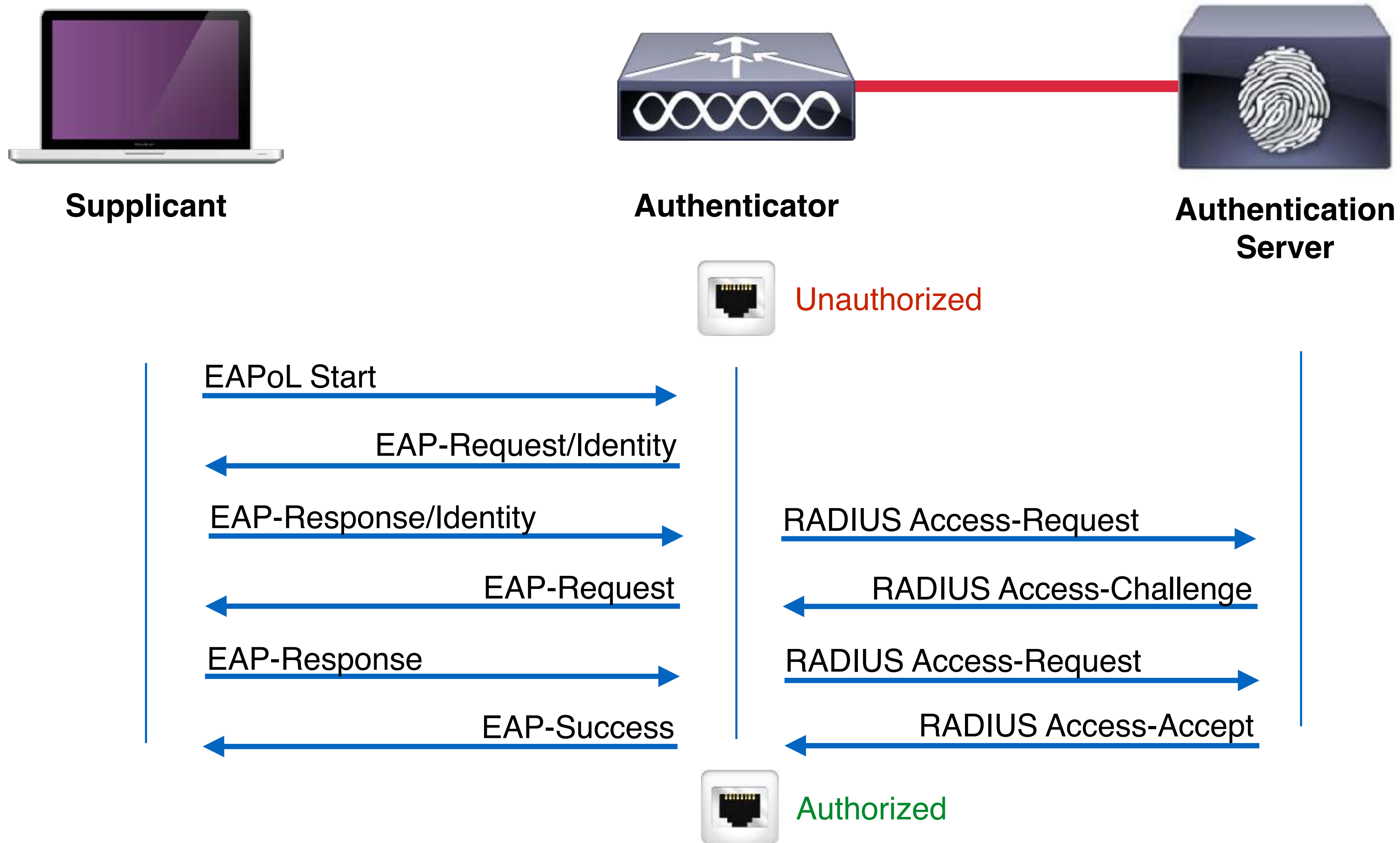
- IEEE standard which defines port-based network control
- Uses EAP over LAN (EAPoL) to control access to the local area network

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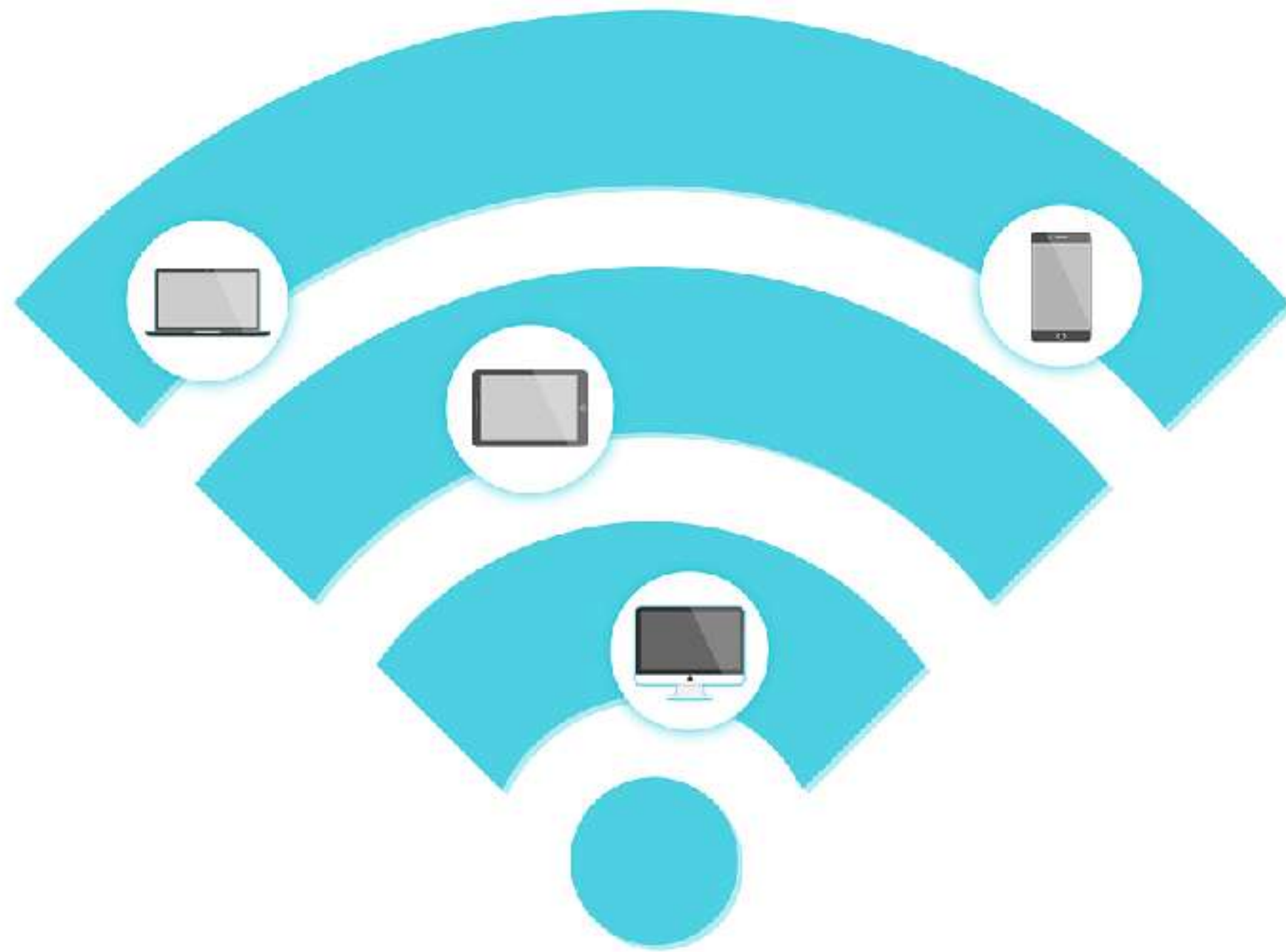


1. **Supplicant:** The endpoint requesting access
2. **Authenticator:** Network device controlling physical access to the network
3. **Authentication Server:** Performs the actual authentication of the endpoint

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Native EAP Types

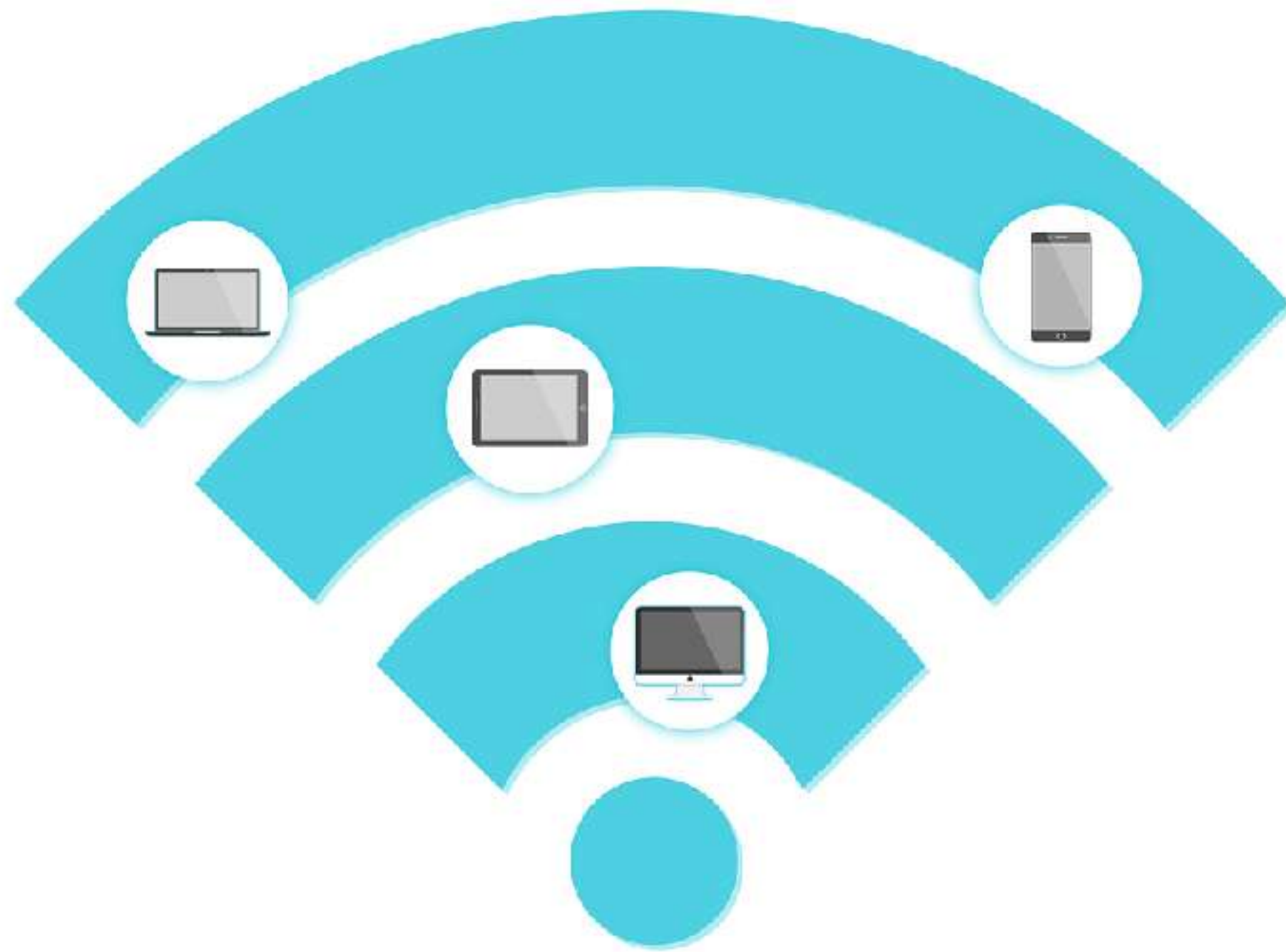
EAP-TLS:

- One of the most secure EAP types
- Uses X.509 certificates for mutual authentication
- Highly regarded in BYOD deployments

EAP-MD5

- Hides credentials in a hash
- Common on IP phones

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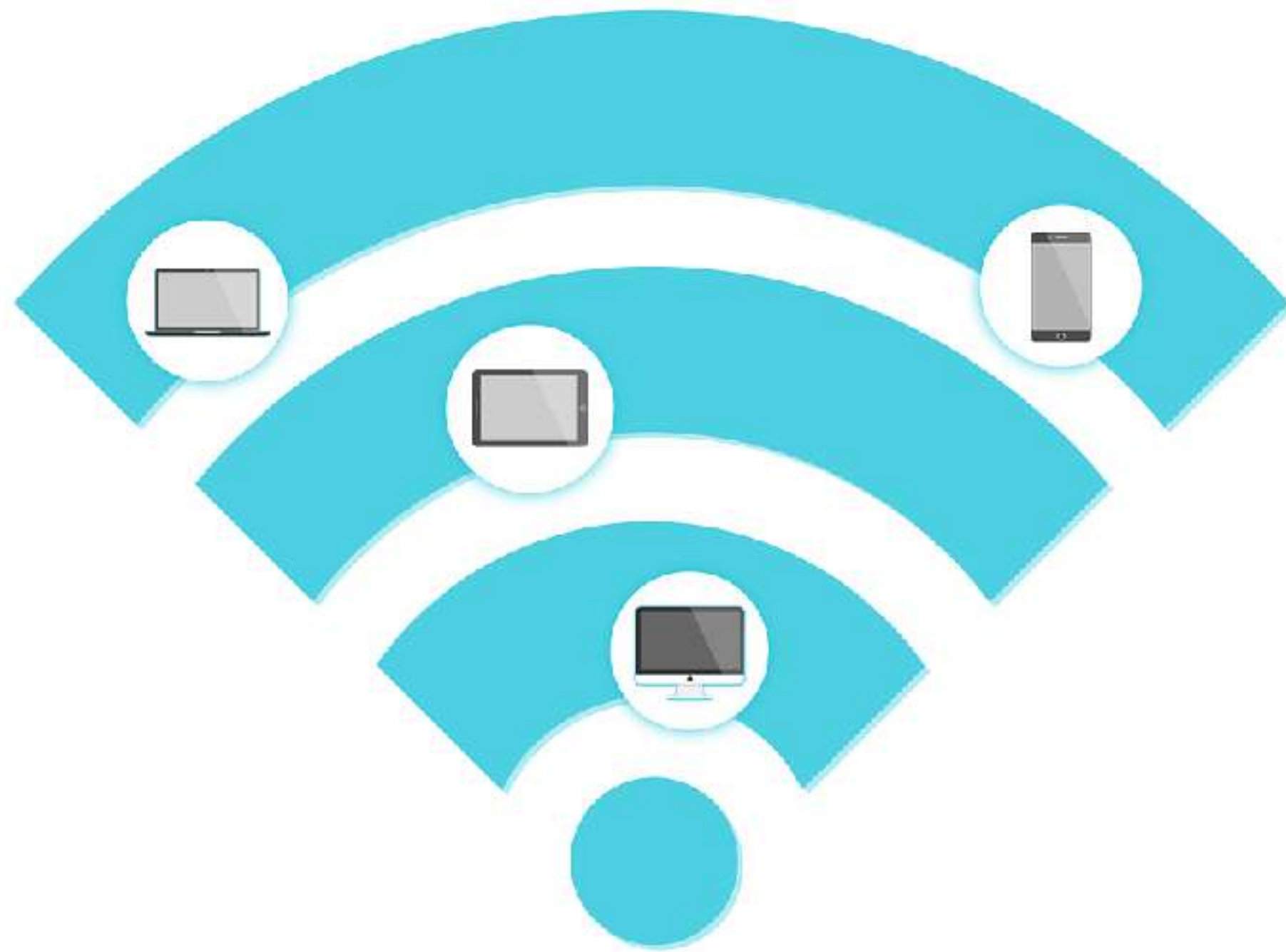
EAP-MSCHAPv2

- Credentials encrypted within an MSCHAPv2 session
- Simple transmission of credentials
- Ability to communicate with Active Directory

EAP-GTC

- Cisco alternative to MSCHAPv2
- Enables more generic authentication

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Tunneled EAP Types

PEAP (Protected EAP)

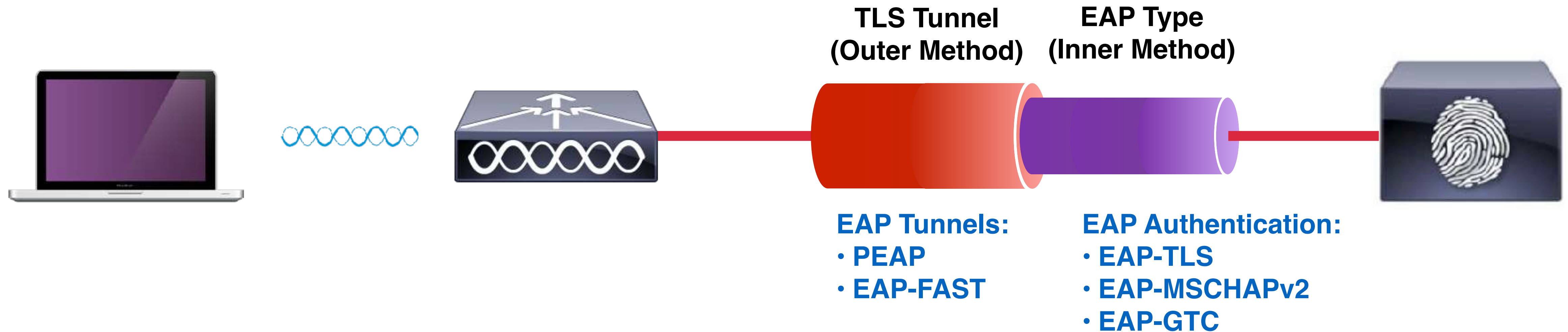
- Originally proposed by Microsoft
- Uses X.509 certificate
- Uses an additional native EAP type for inner method

EAP-FAST (Flexible Authentication via Secure Tunnel)

- Created by Cisco as a PEAP alternative
- Faster re-authentication
- Faster wireless roaming
- Uses protected access credentials (PACs)

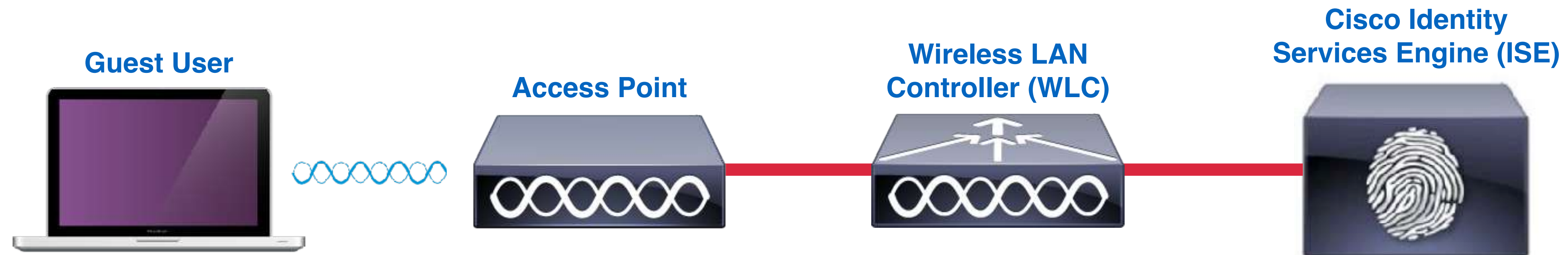
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WebAuth

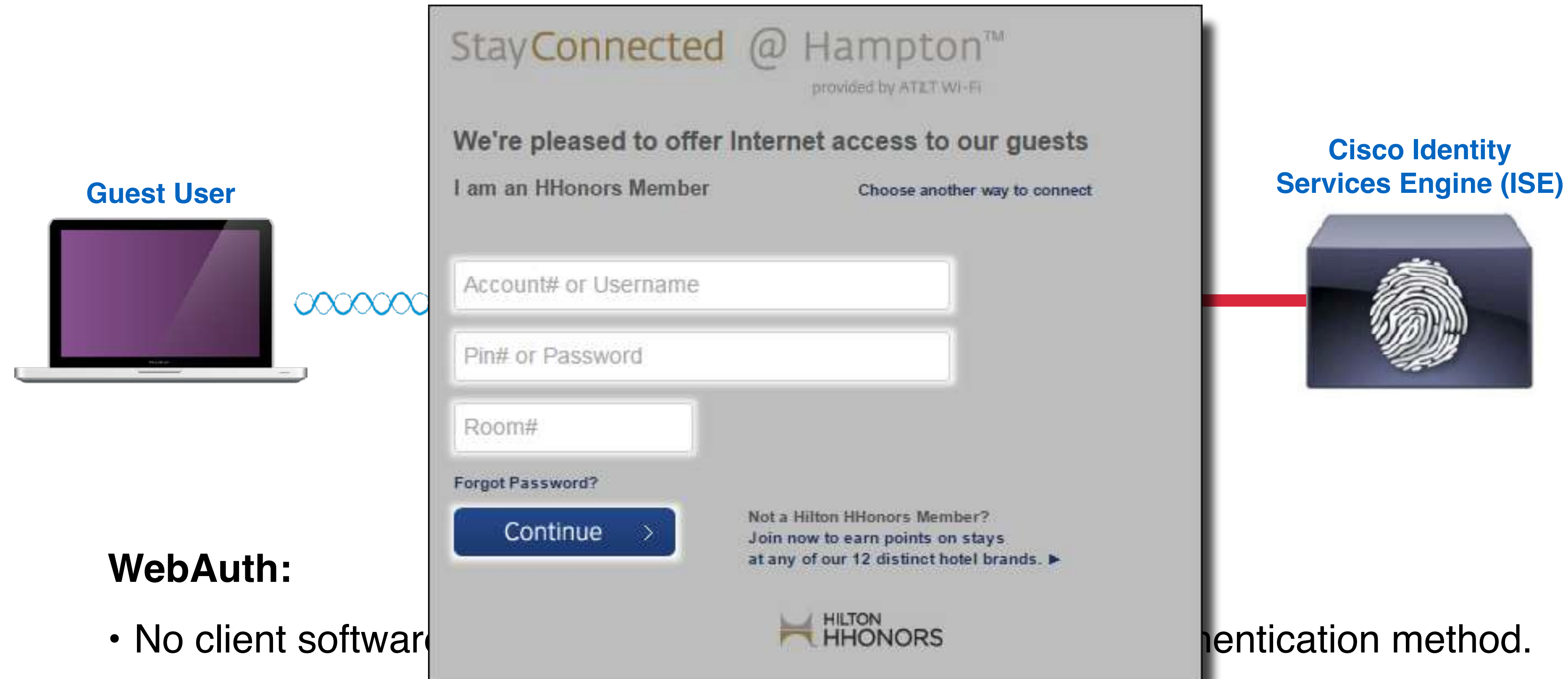
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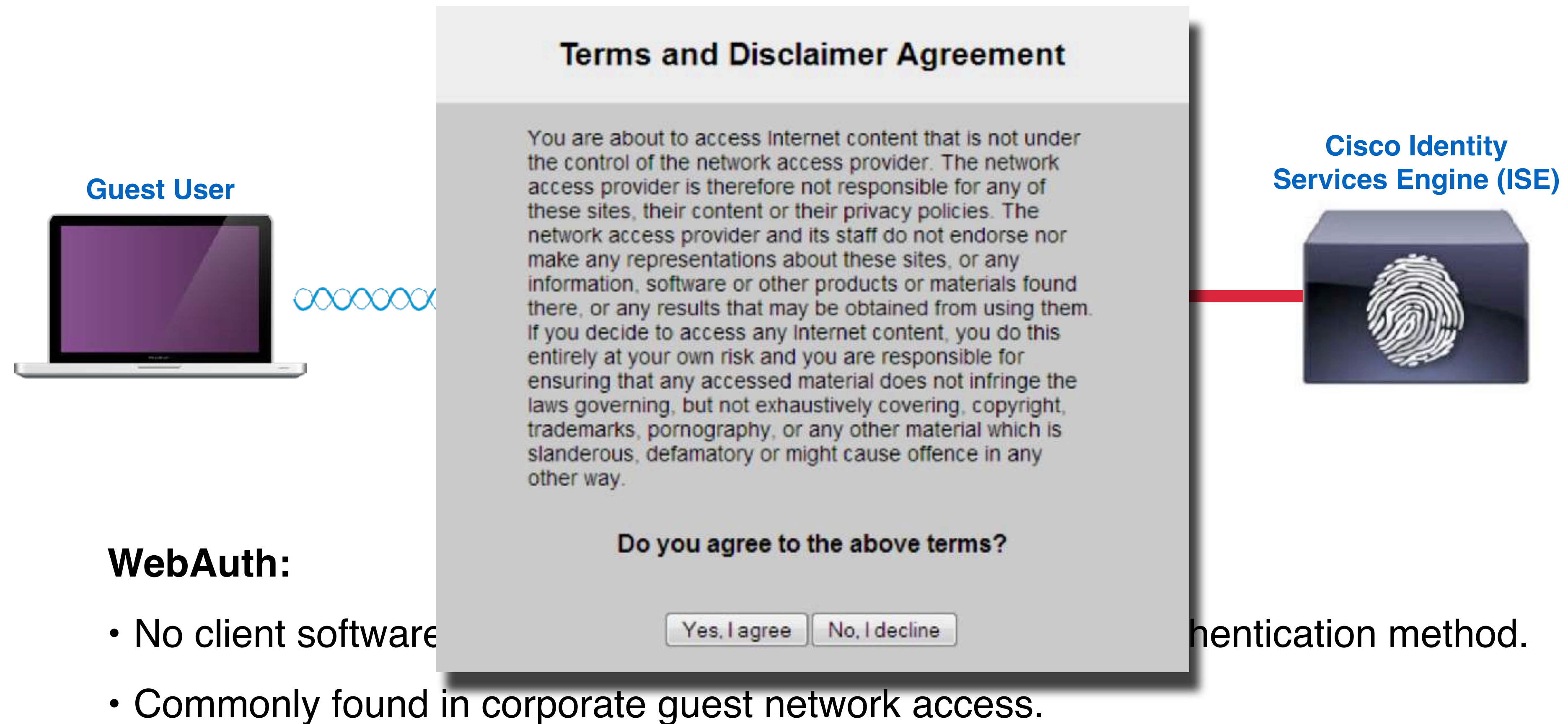
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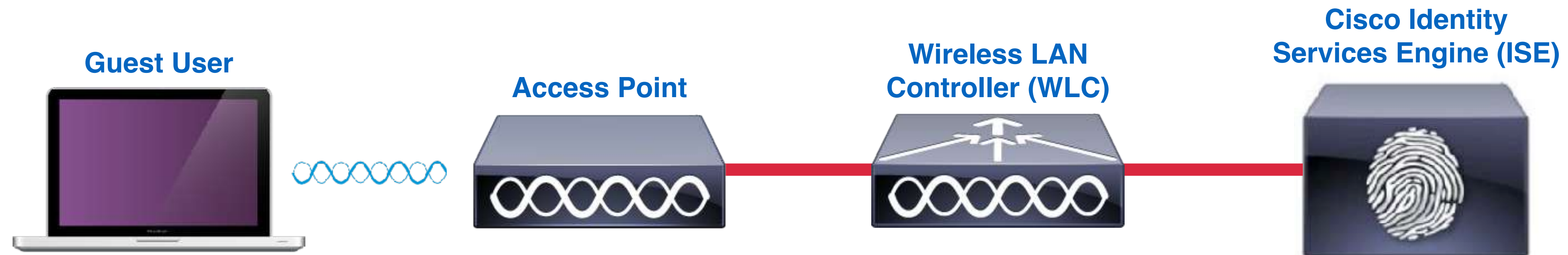
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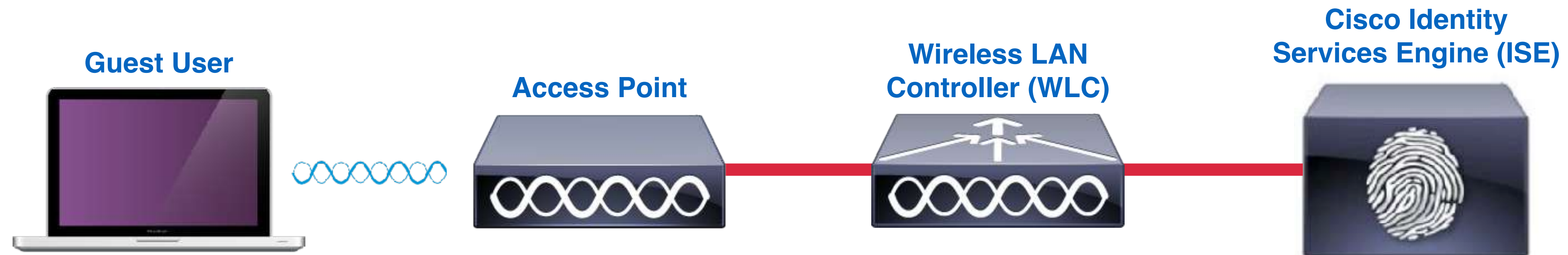
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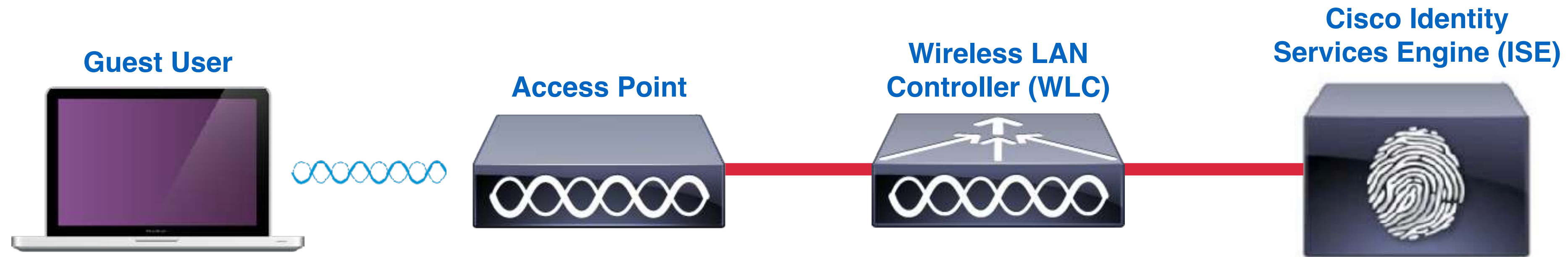
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Central Web Authentication (WebAuth): Used in larger WebAuth deployments where a centralized RADIUS database (such as Cisco ISE) is necessary.

Local Web Authentication (WebAuth): Used in smaller wireless deployments where WebAuth is handled locally by the wireless LAN controller.

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WebAuth Process:

1. Guest user connects to WebAuth configured SSID.
2. Guest user opens a web browser.
3. WLC redirects browser to guest portal.
4. Guest portal authenticates user and informs WLC via RADIUS.
5. Access control attributes are applied to the guest user.
6. WLC returns successful login page to user, and any acceptable user policies for review.

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WebAuth Benefits:

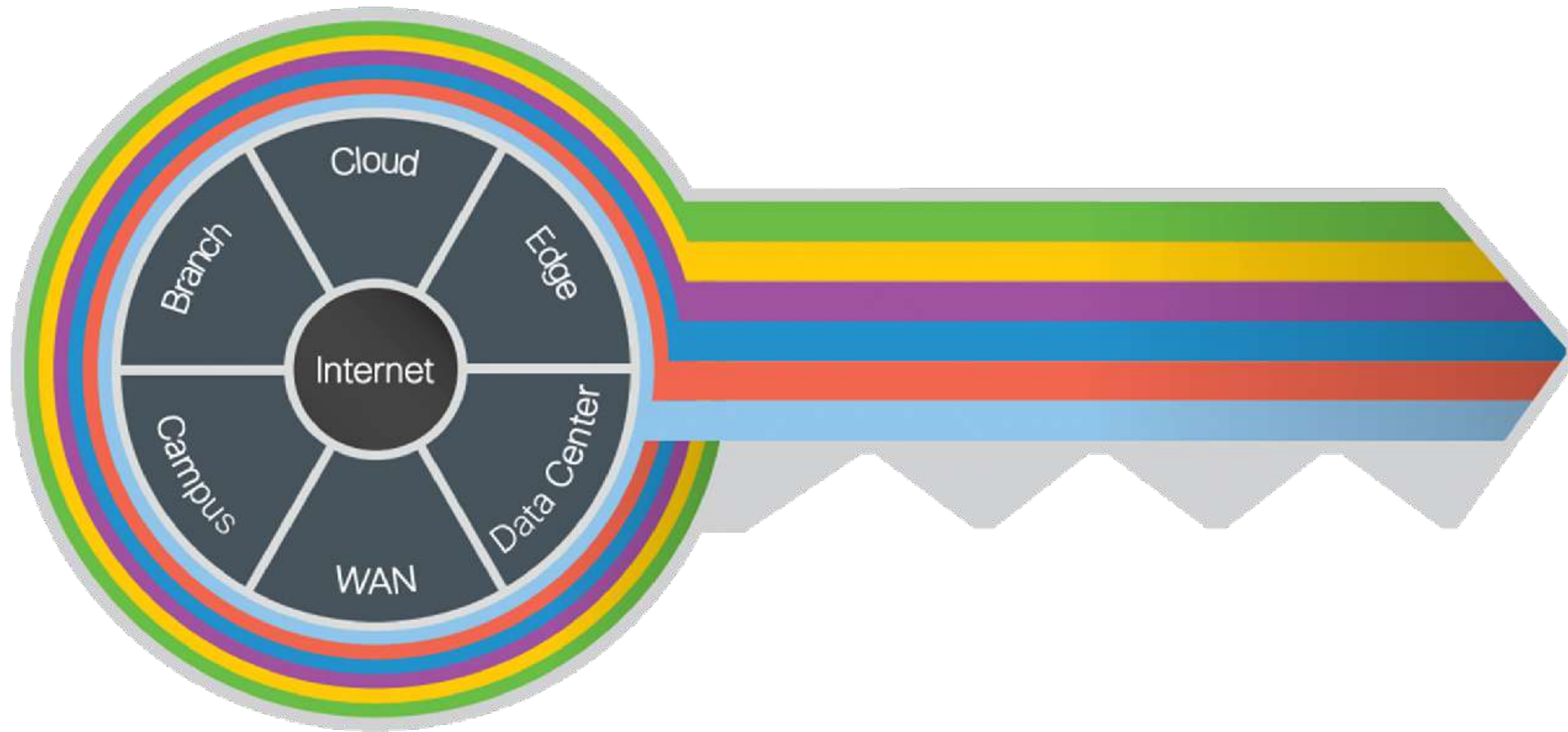
- No special client software required
- Familiarity for end users
- Customizable user interface

WebAuth Limitations:

- Not transparent to end users
- Not as secure as 802.1x
- Lack of single sign-on capabilities

Security Design Considerations

Cyber Threat Defense



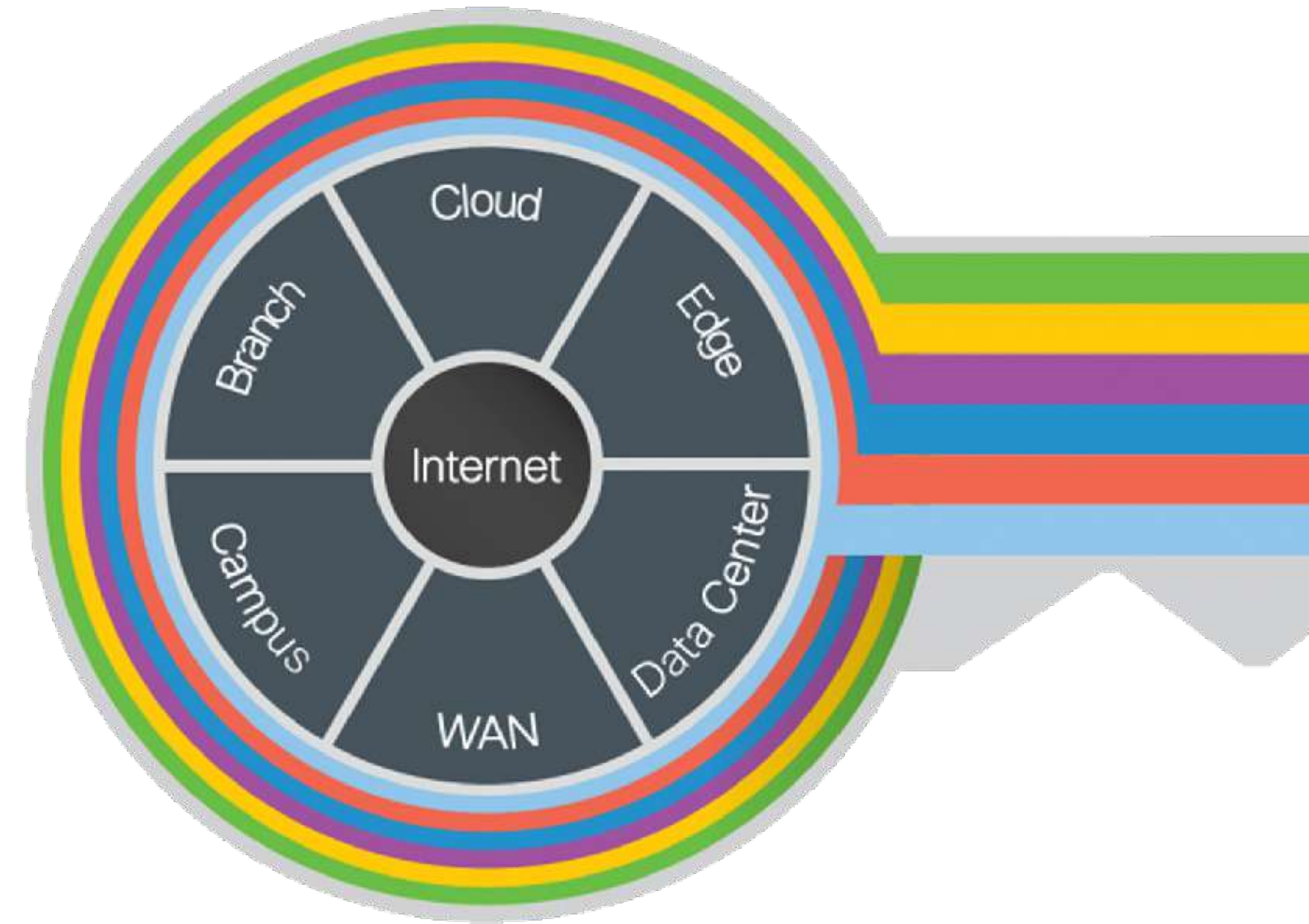
Cyber Threat Defense

Cisco SAFE:

- Security model for modern needs
- Logical Places in Network (PIN)

Common PINs

- Branch
- Campus
- WAN
- Data Center
- Edge
- Cloud



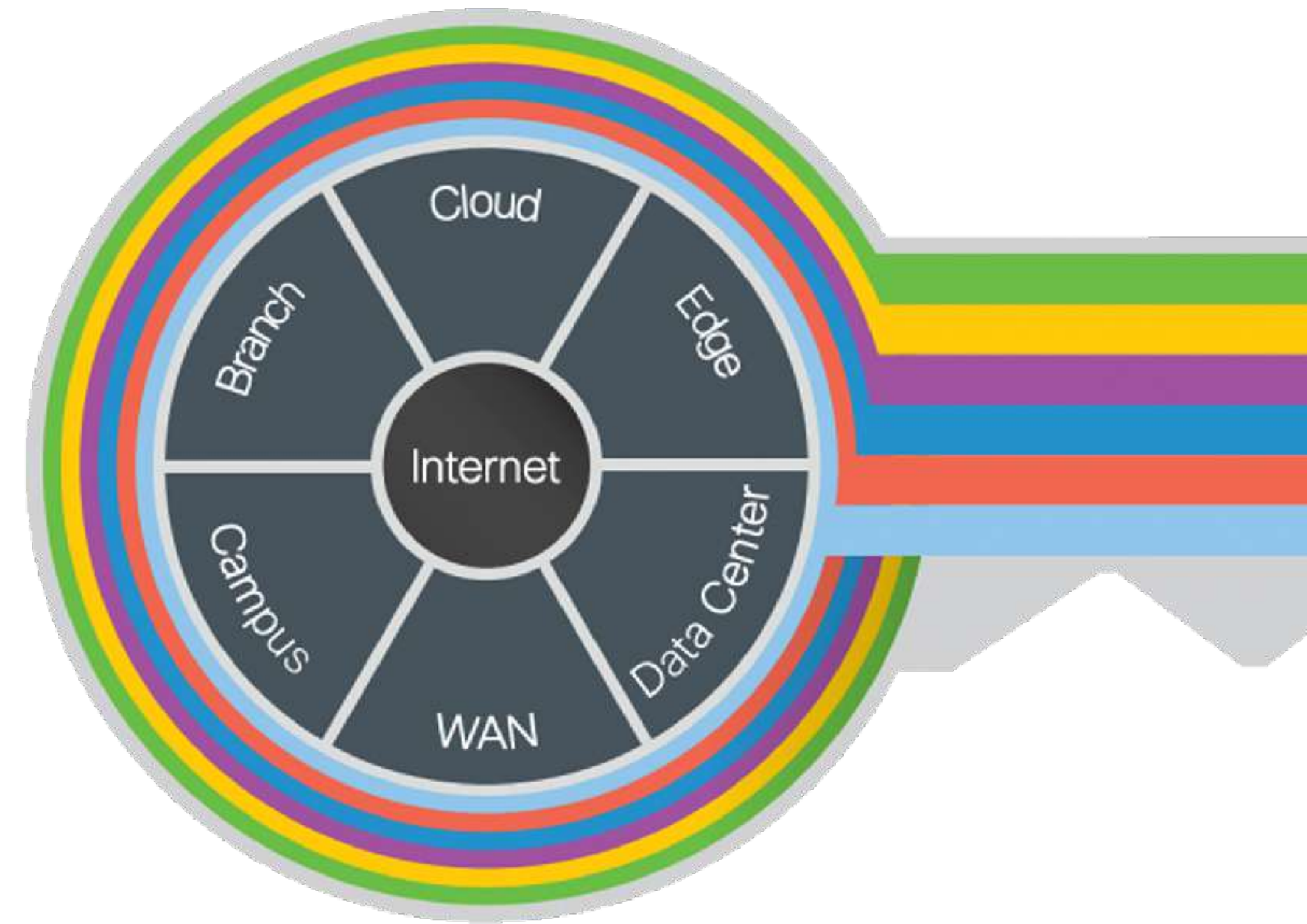
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Branch:

- Typically less secure due to cost
- Most susceptible to threats

Mitigation Focus:

- Endpoint malware and antivirus protection
- Wireless infrastructure protection
- Trust exploitation protection



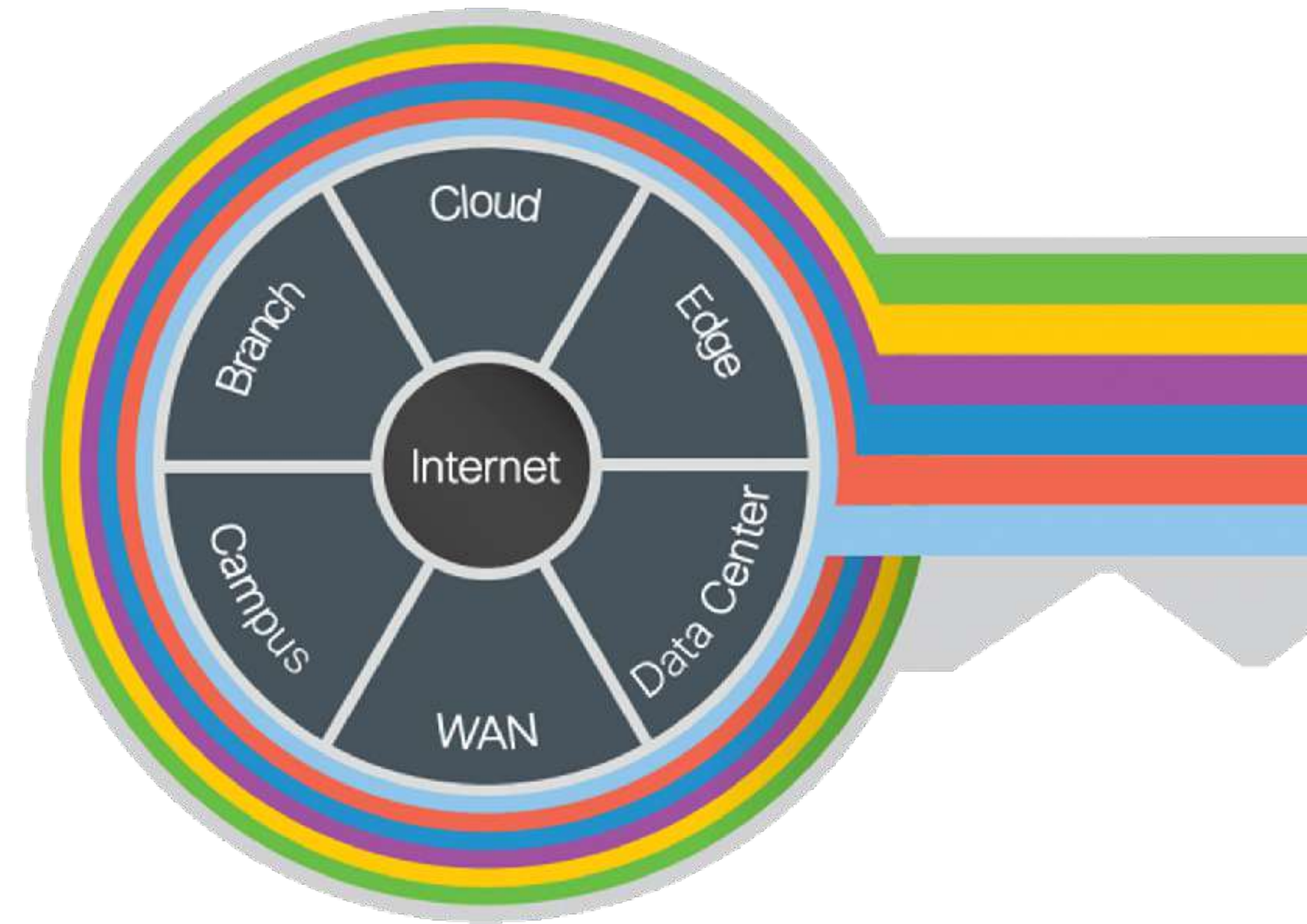
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Campus:

- Large user populations with varied devices
- Subnets and VLAN segmentation

Mitigation Focus:

- Phishing and web-based exploits
- Network malware and botnet infestation
- BYOD increases attack surface



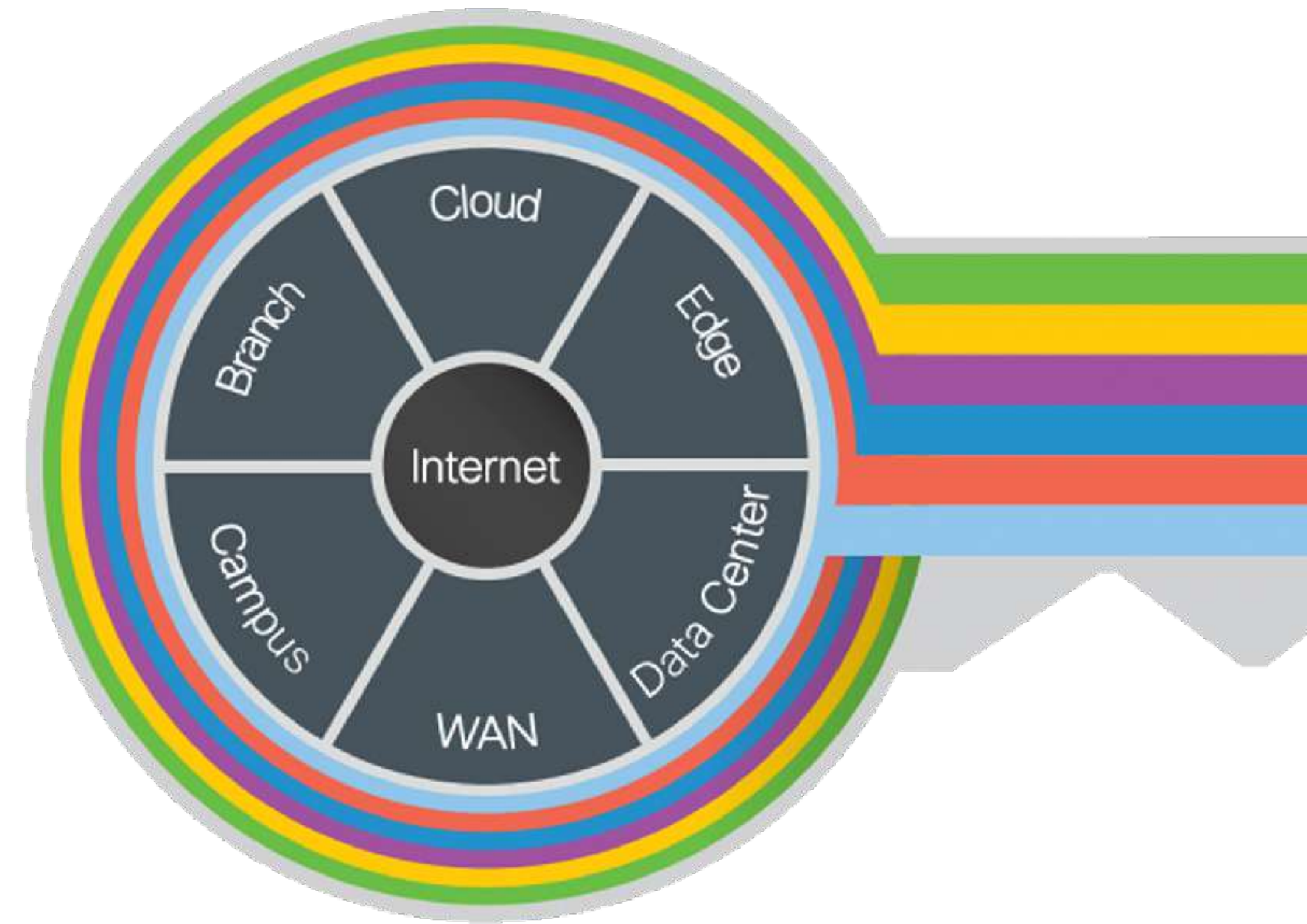
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Data Center:

- Informational assets
- Physical and/or virtual servers

Mitigation Focus:

- Malware propagation
- Unauthorized user access
- Reconnaissance attacks



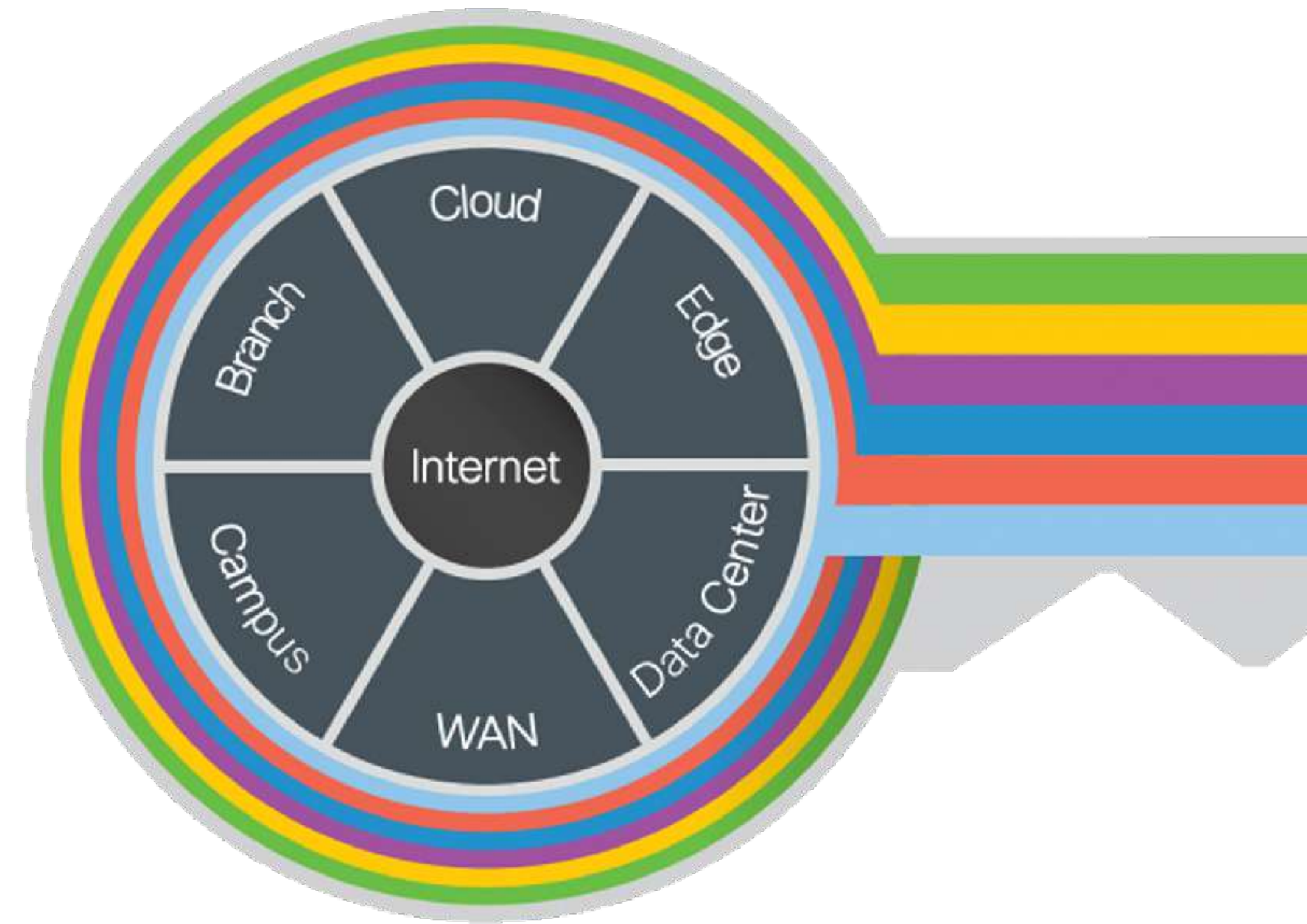
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Edge:

- Primary ingress/egress for network
- Most critical infrastructure resource

Mitigation Focus:

- Web server vulnerabilities
- Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)
- Man-in-the-Middle (MITM)



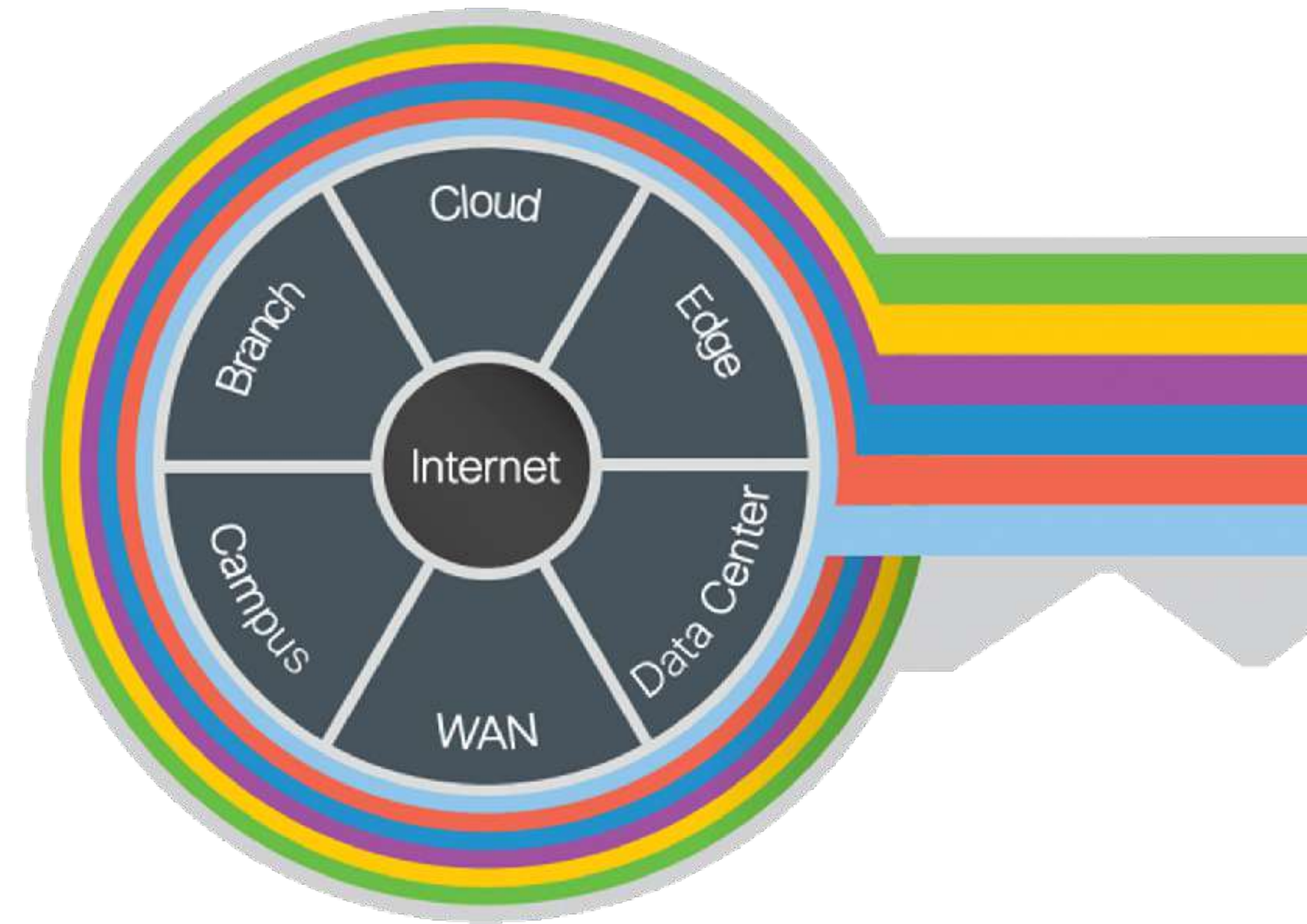
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Cloud:

- Popular for convenience and cost
- Rely largely on the provider for security

Mitigation Focus:

- SLA dictates security strength
- Information storage and access
- Uptime and recovery guidelines



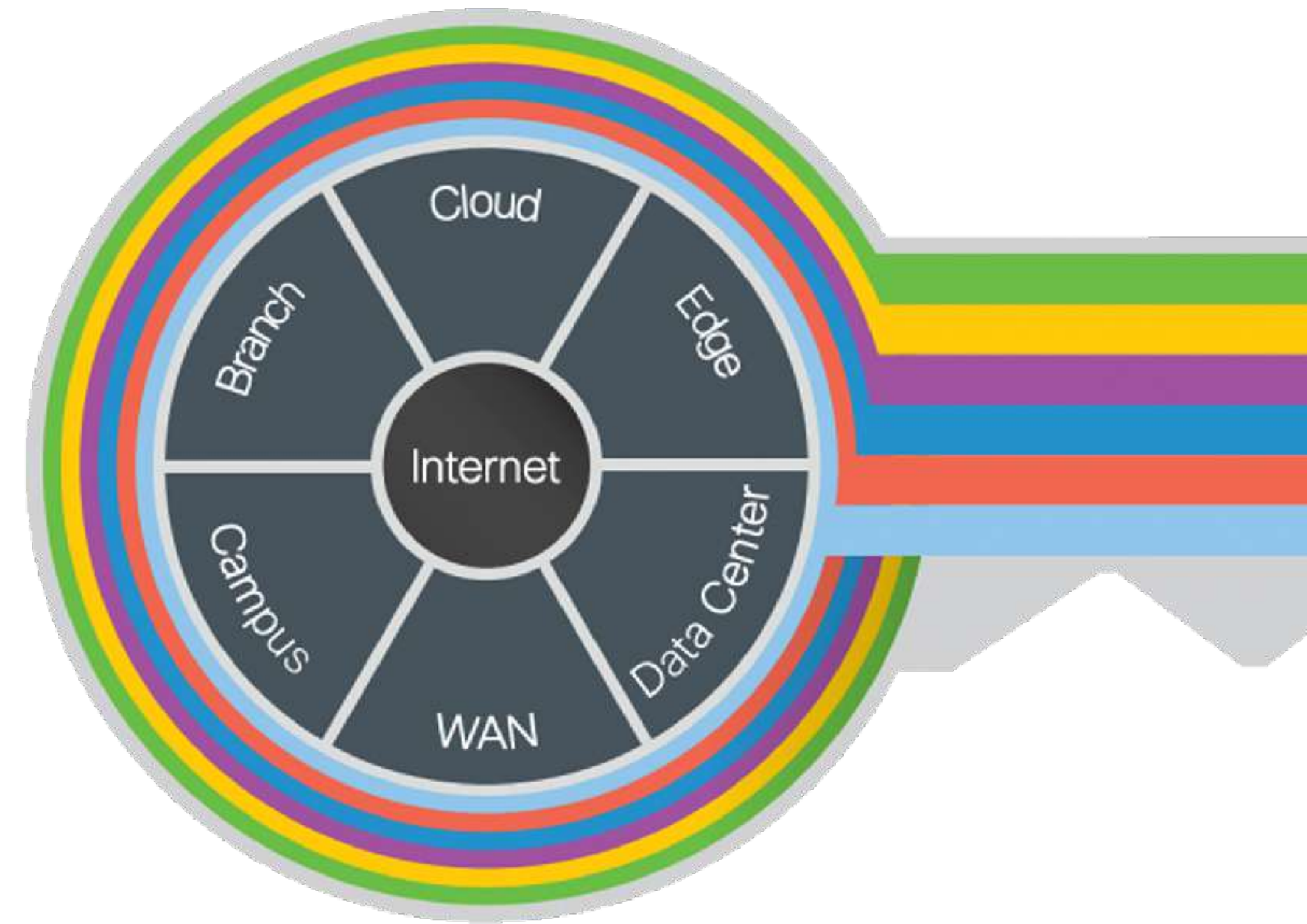
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WAN:

- Connects network resources together
- Provides critical network access

Mitigation Focus:

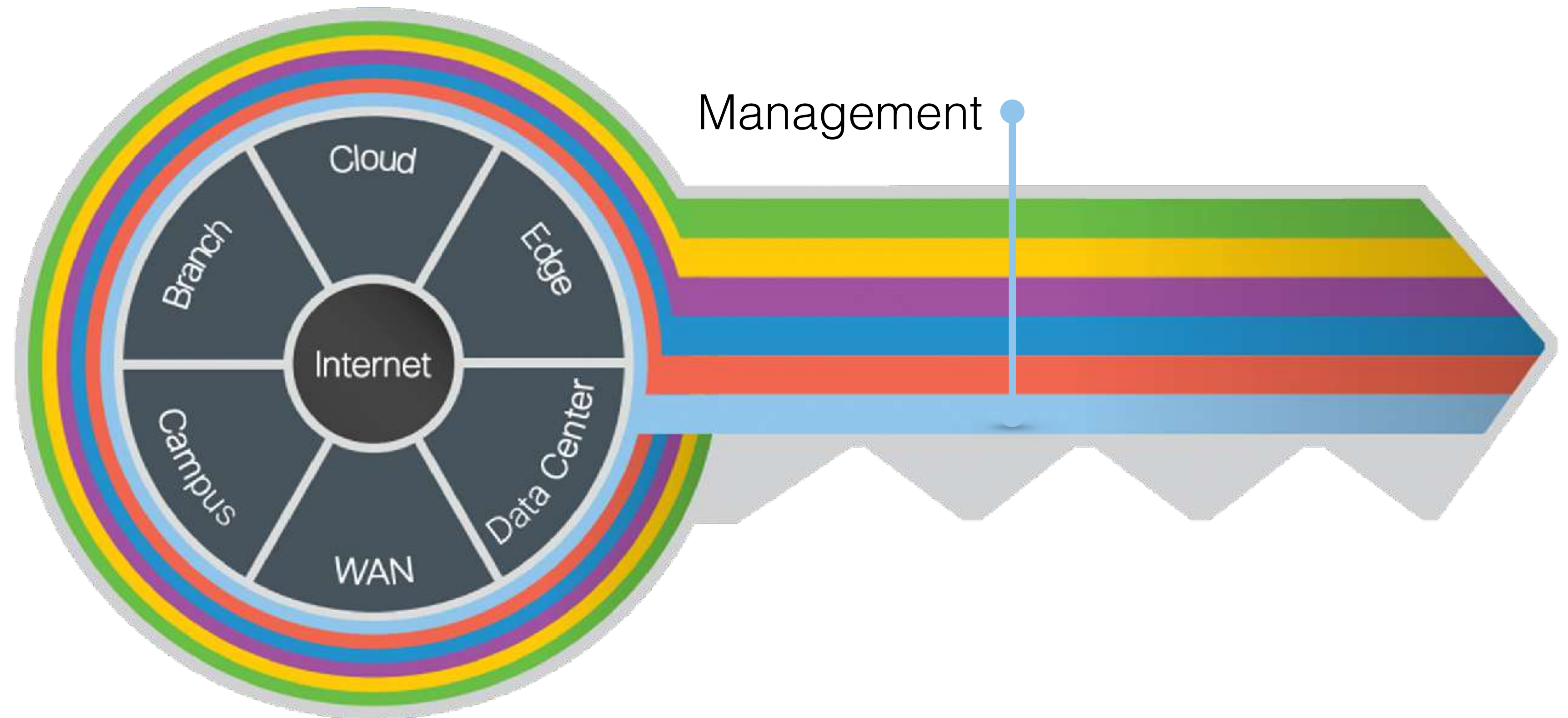
- Unauthorized application access
- Malware propagation
- Data exfiltration and/or loss



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Management:

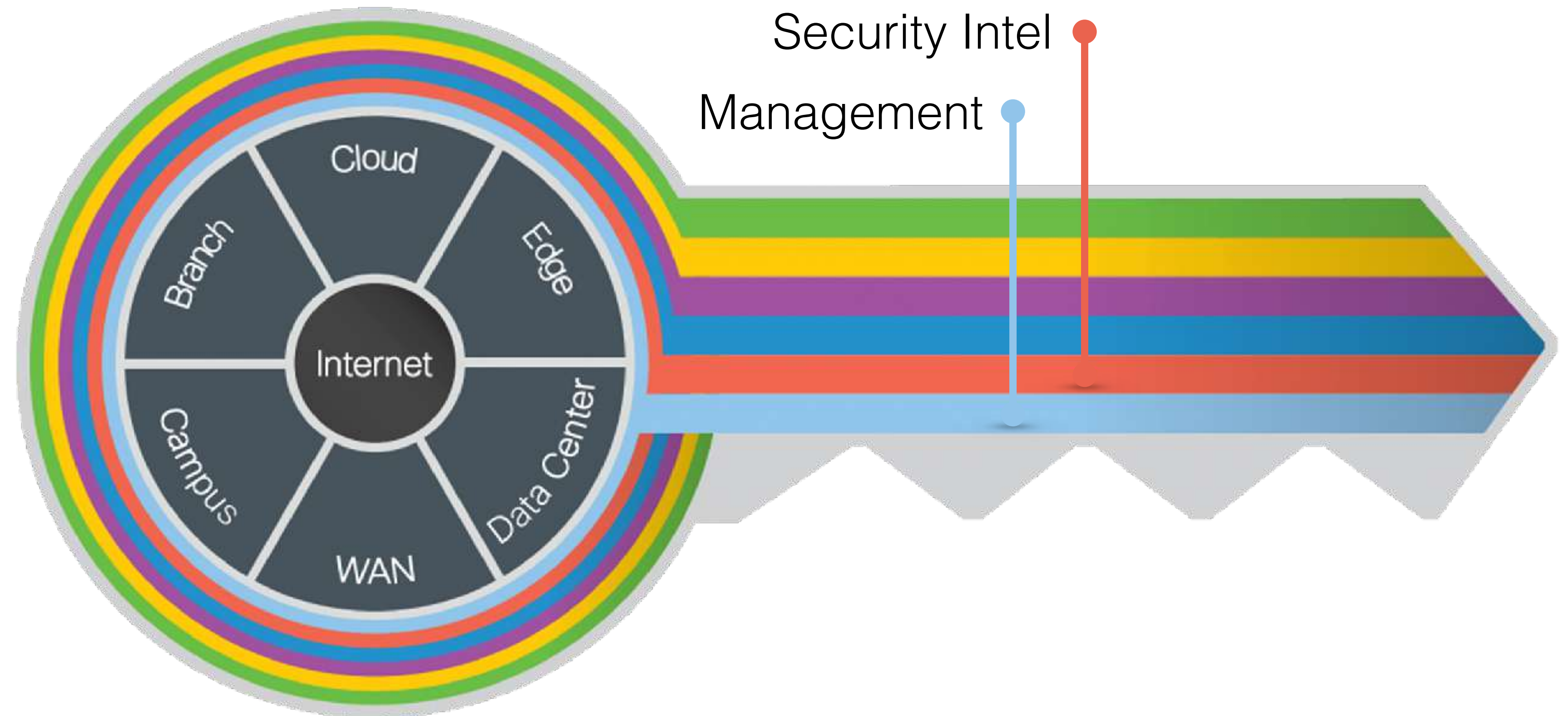
- Policy creation, change management, patching



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Security Intelligence:

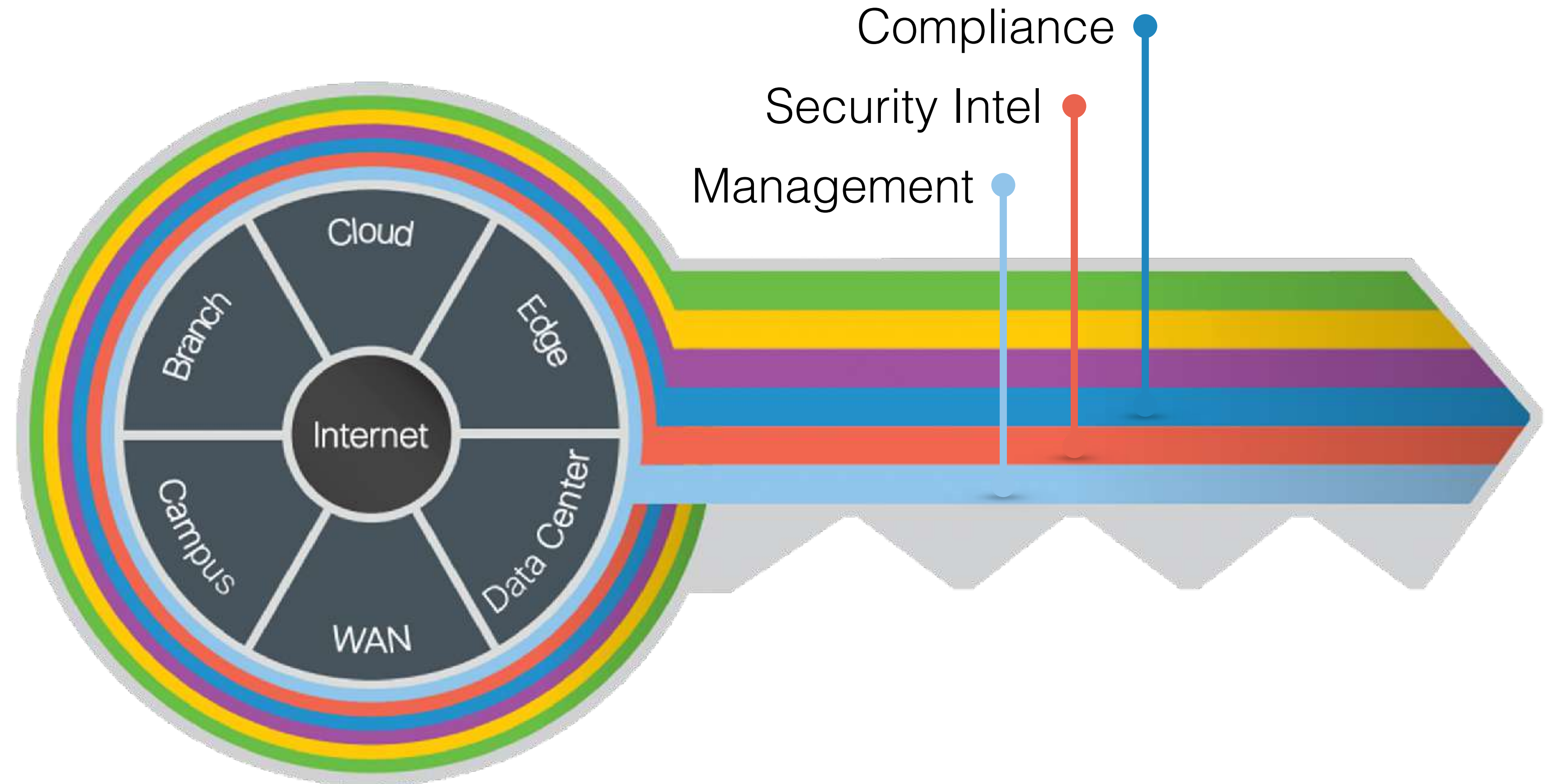
- Intelligence of emerging threats



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Compliance:

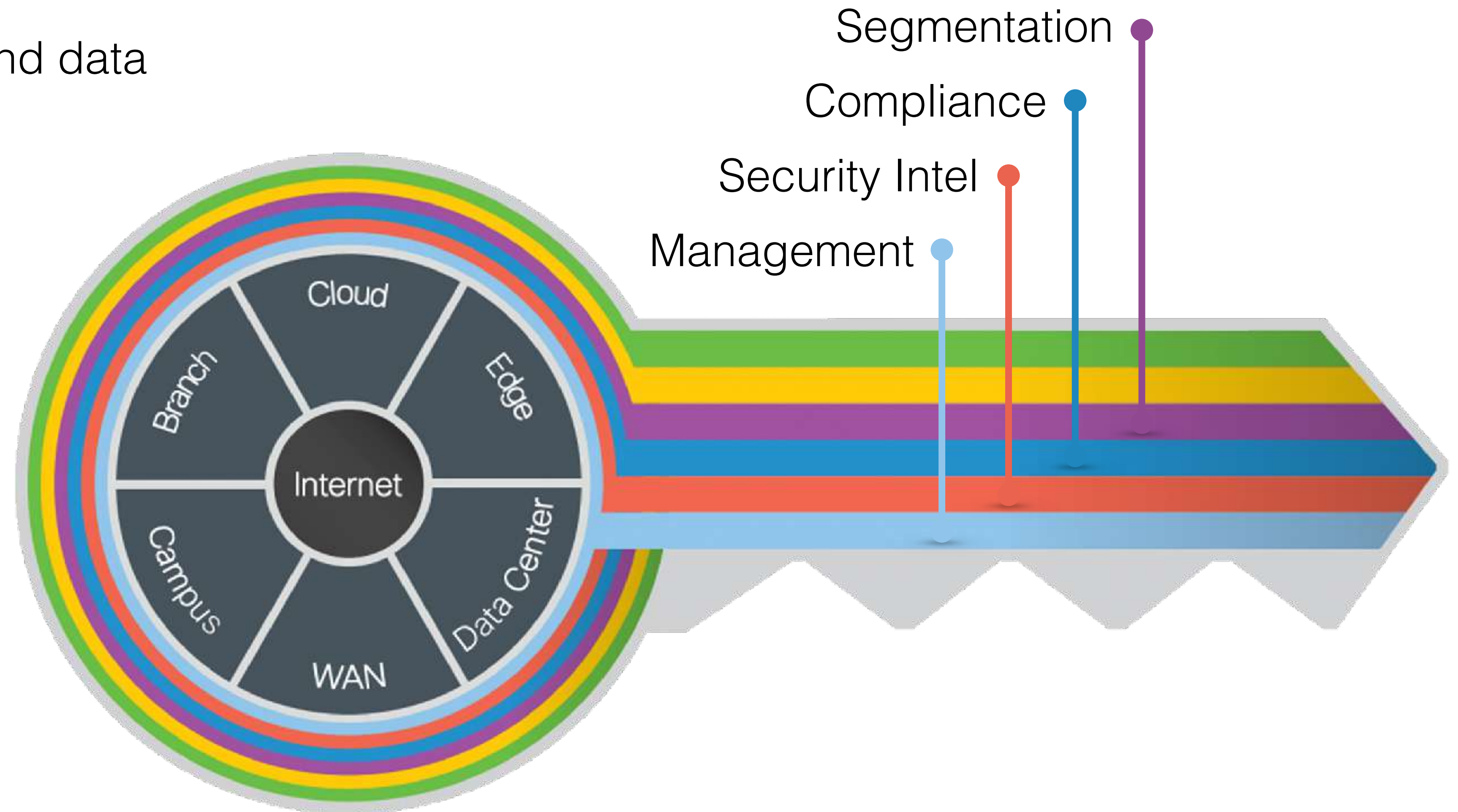
- Internal and external policies



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Segmentation:

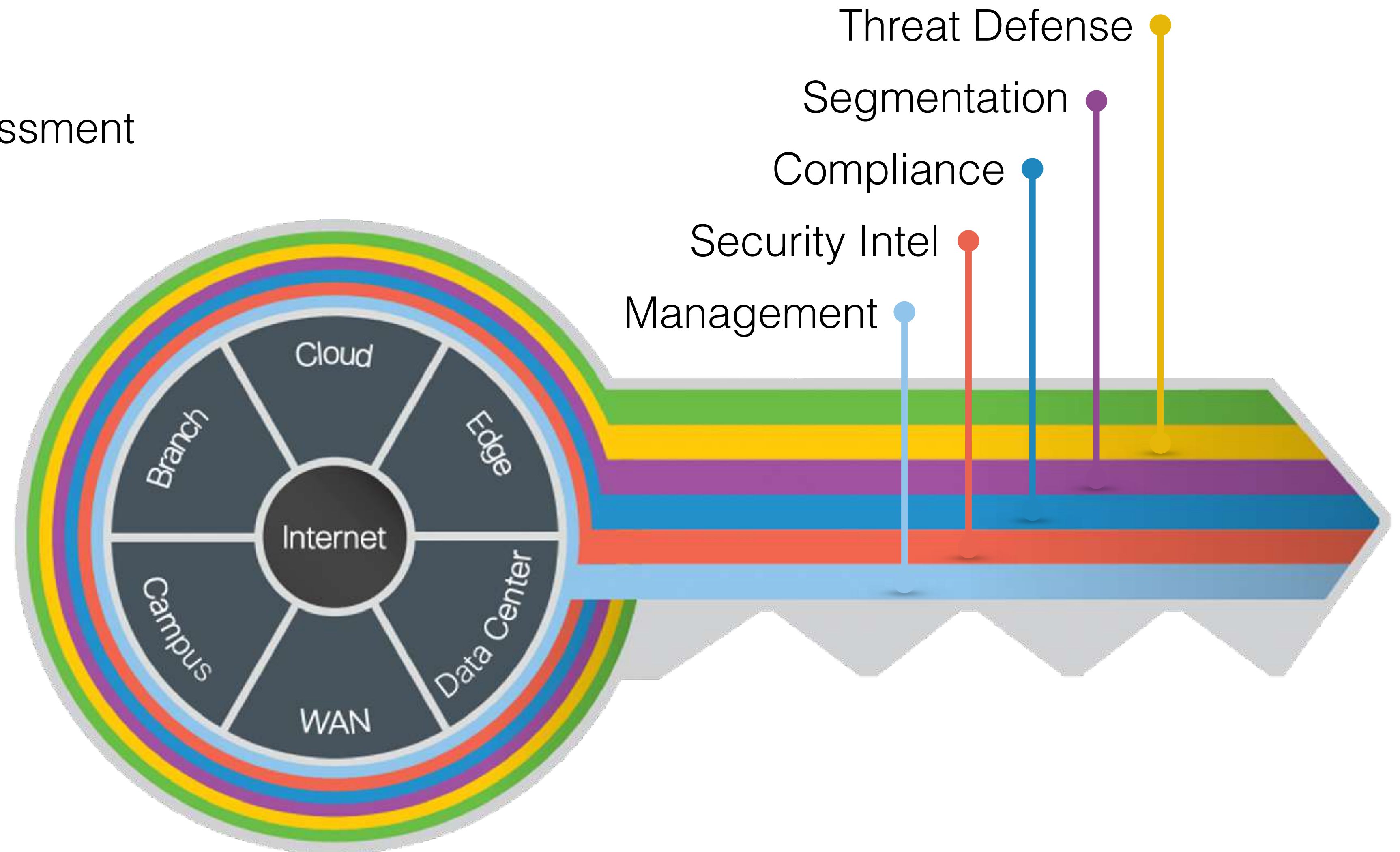
- Boundaries for users and data



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Threat Defense:

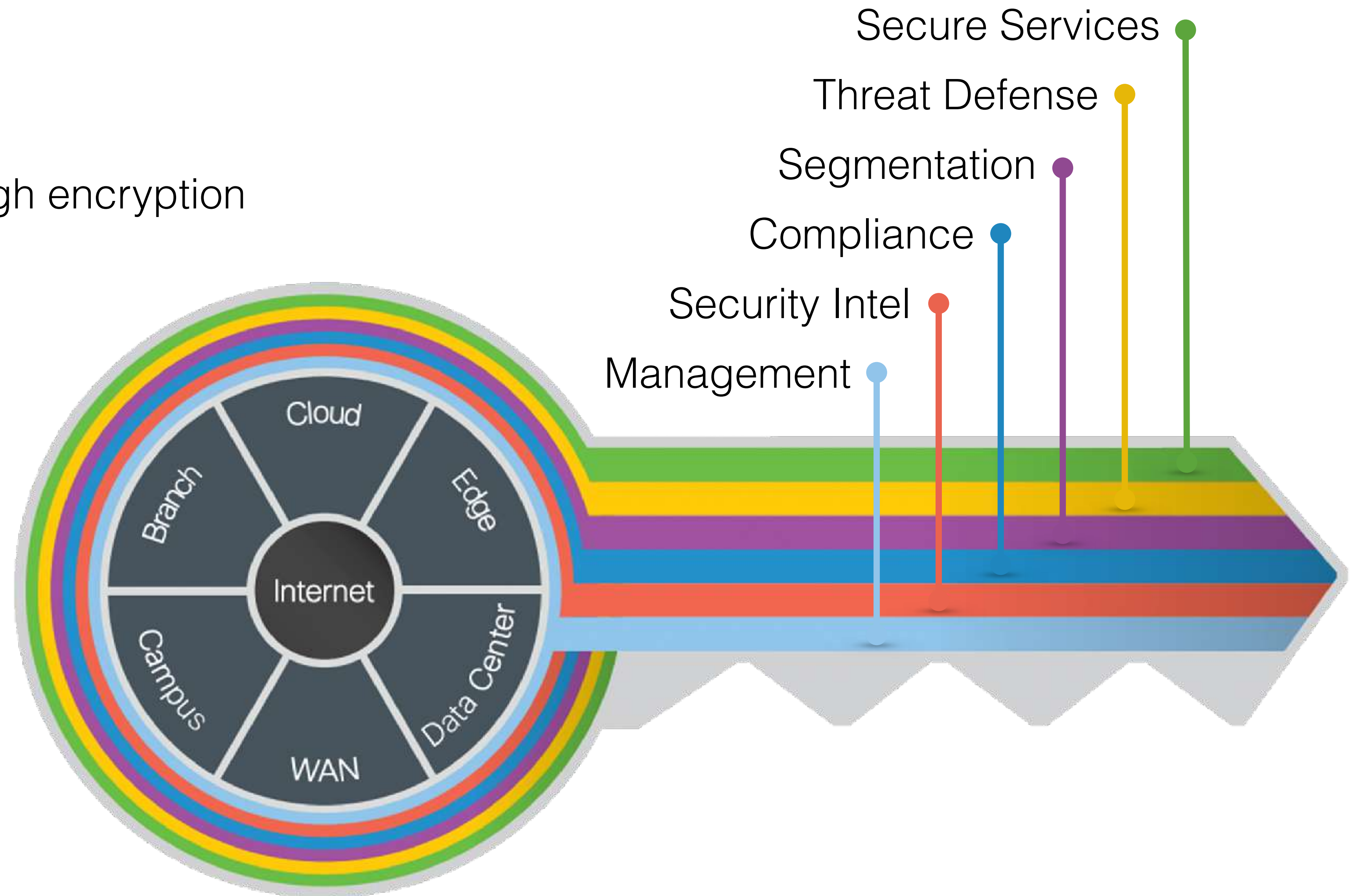
- Visibility for traffic assessment



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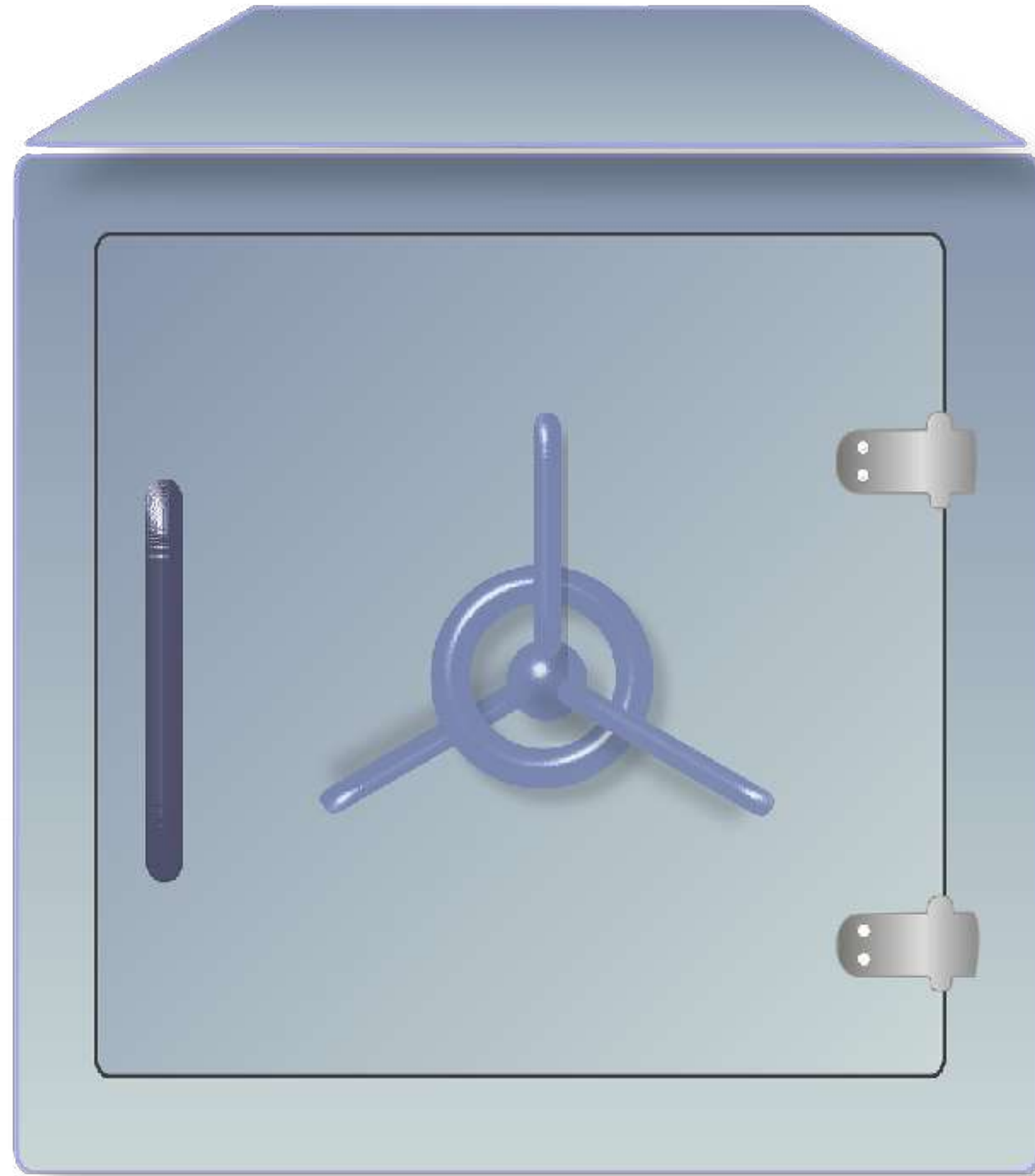
Secure Services:

- Traffic protection through encryption



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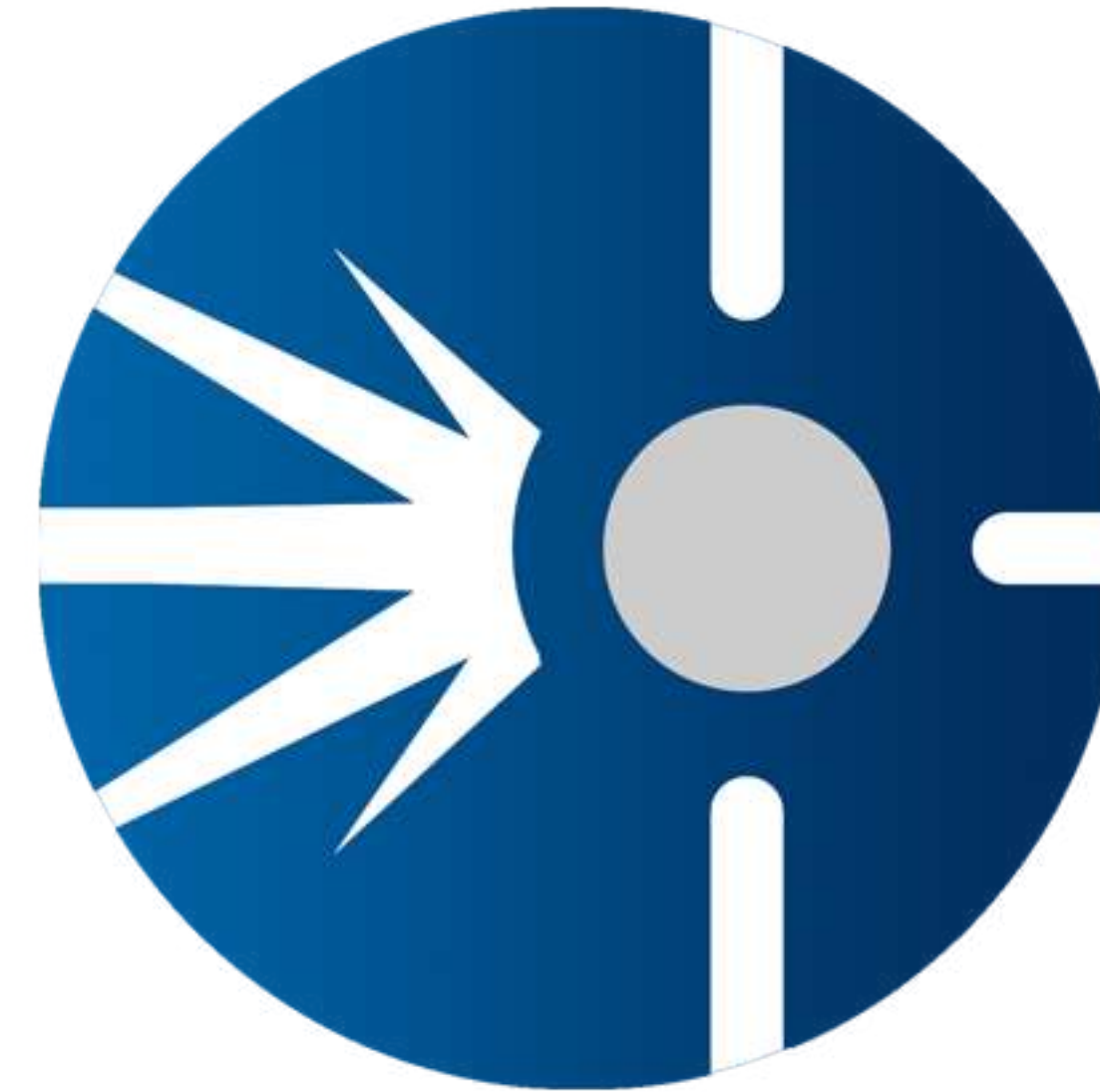


Endpoint Hardening



CISCO

AMP for
Endpoints



- AMP = Advanced Malware Protection
- Prevention, detection, and response
- Intelligence from cloud-based analytics

Endpoint Hardening



Cisco TALOS:

- Global stats for threat tracking
- Feeds threat intel into Cisco AMP



Cisco ThreatGRID:

- Static and behavioral file analysis
- Used in conjunction with Cisco TALOS

Endpoint Hardening



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Detection Mechanisms:

- Continual endpoint monitoring
- Vulnerable software detection and reporting

Endpoint Hardening



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Response Mechanisms:

- Endpoint forensics
- File and device trajectories
- Powerful analysis and tracking features

Endpoint Hardening



Cisco Umbrella

Cisco Umbrella:

- Previously OpenDNS
- DNS filtering service for internet destinations
- Machine learning continually updates database

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Cisco Umbrella

Deployment:

- Add network public IP address into configuration
- Point all network DNS to Umbrella
- Prevent end users from changing local DNS with firewall rules

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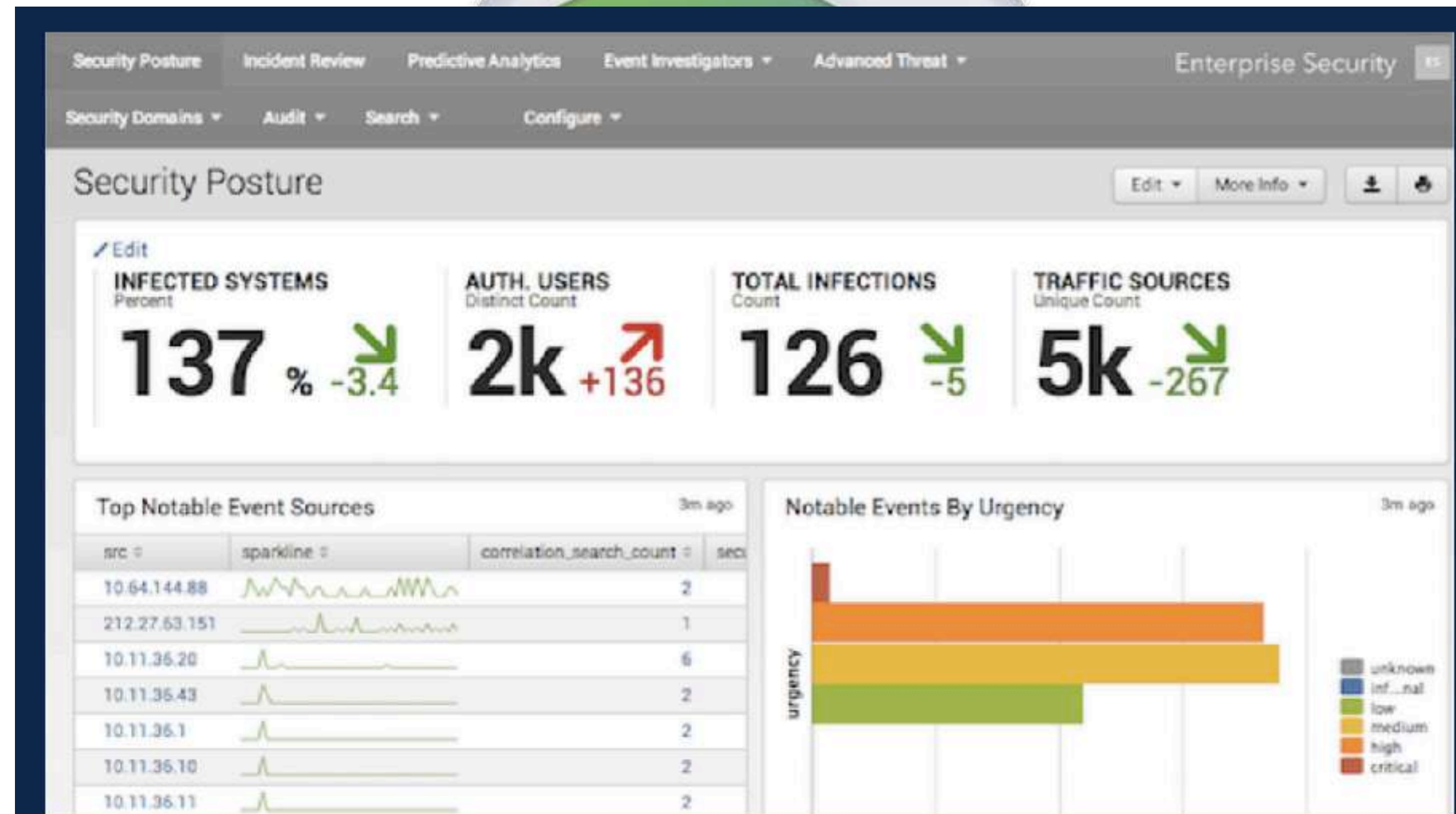


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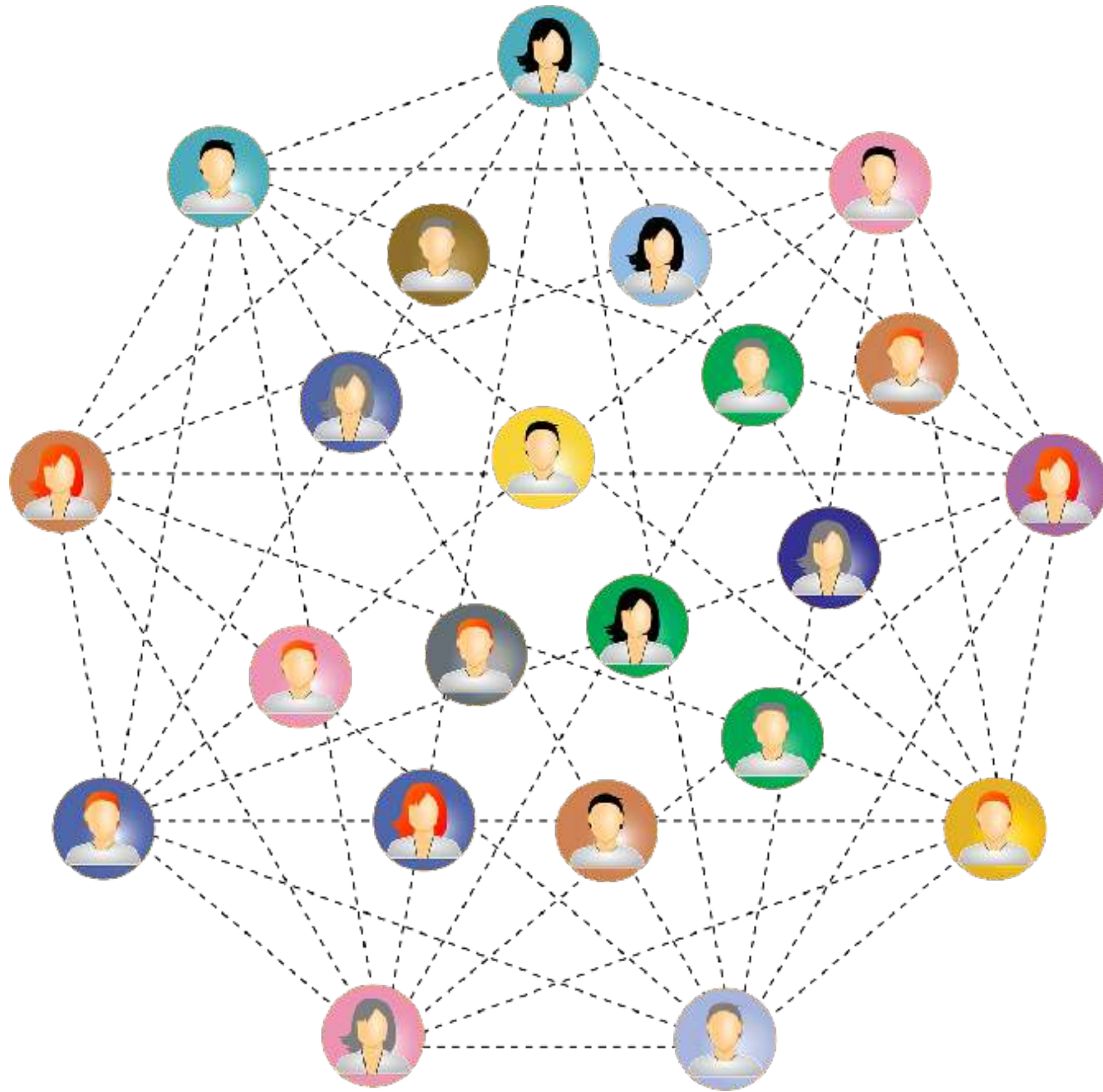


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Traditional Access Control:

- Based on topologies and segmentation
- Modern networks require flexibility
- Cisco TrustSec offers access control through contextual identification

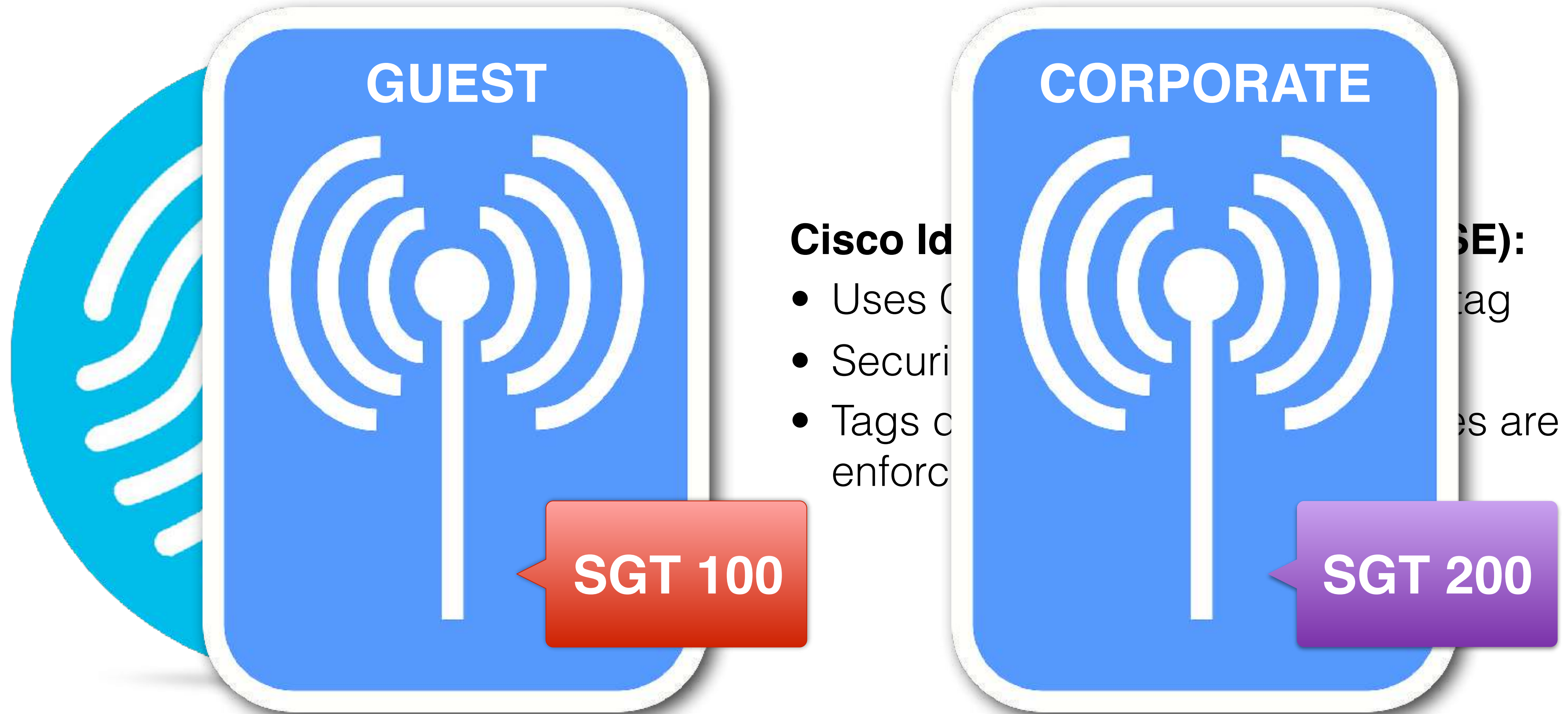
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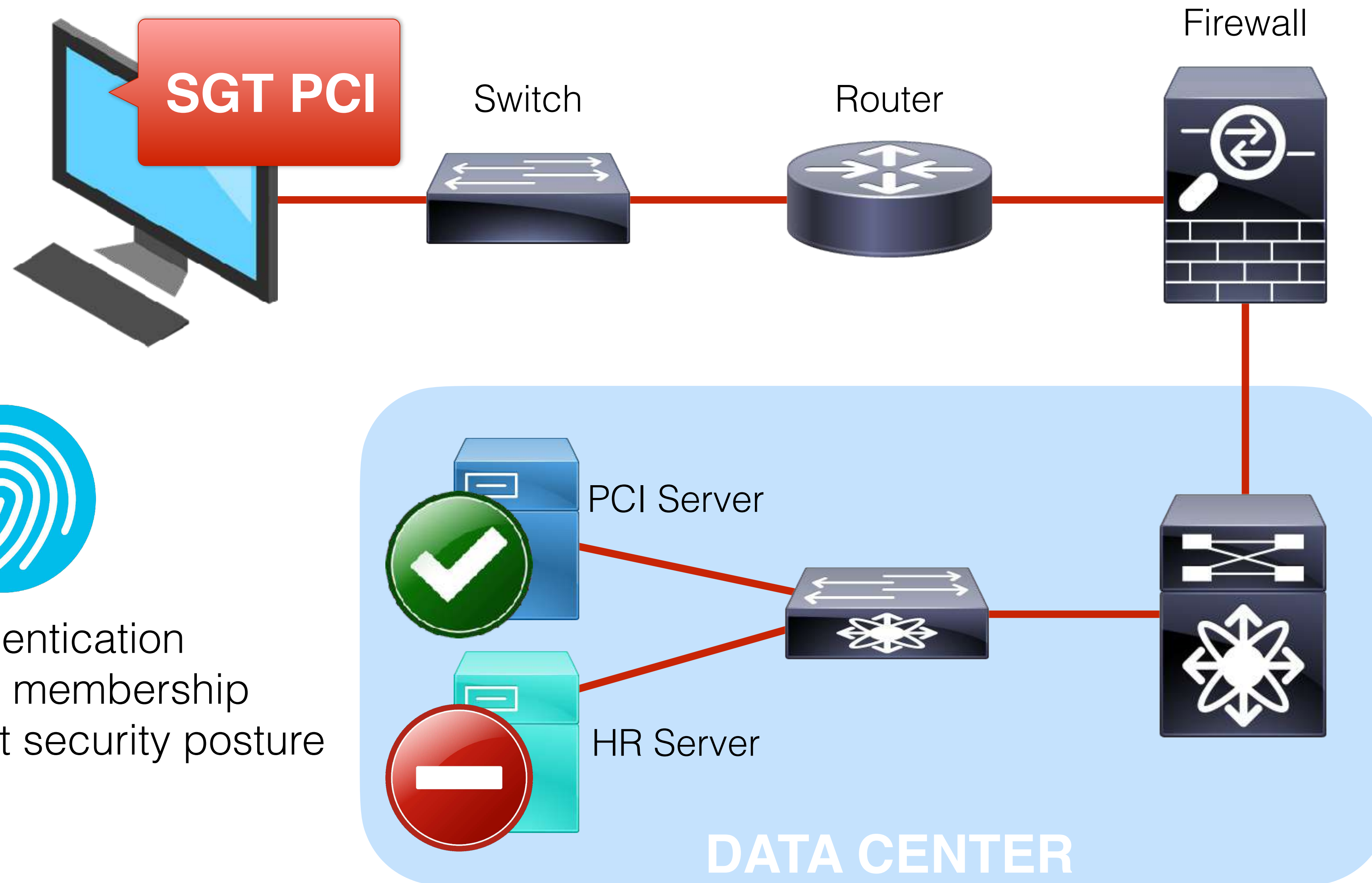
Cisco Identity Services Engine (ISE):

- Uses Cisco TrustSec to assign a tag
- Security Group Tag (SGT)
- Tags dictate which access policies are enforced throughout the network

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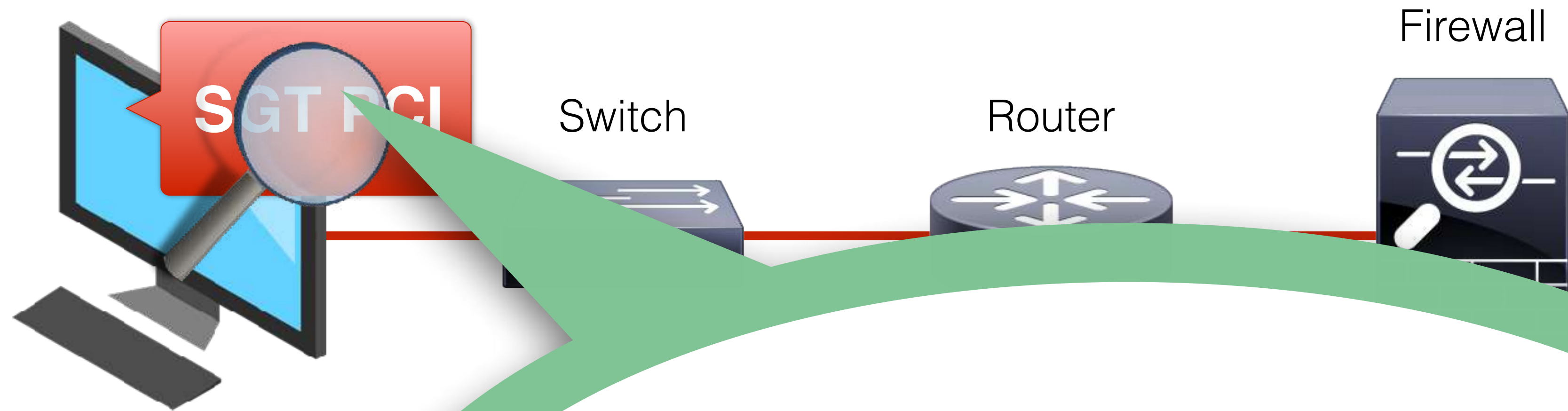


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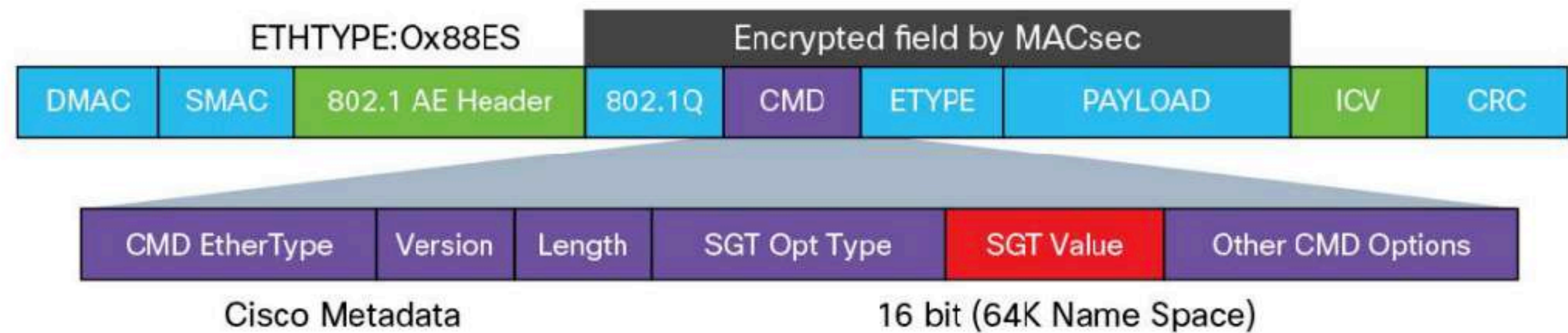


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- AD group membership
- Compliant security posture

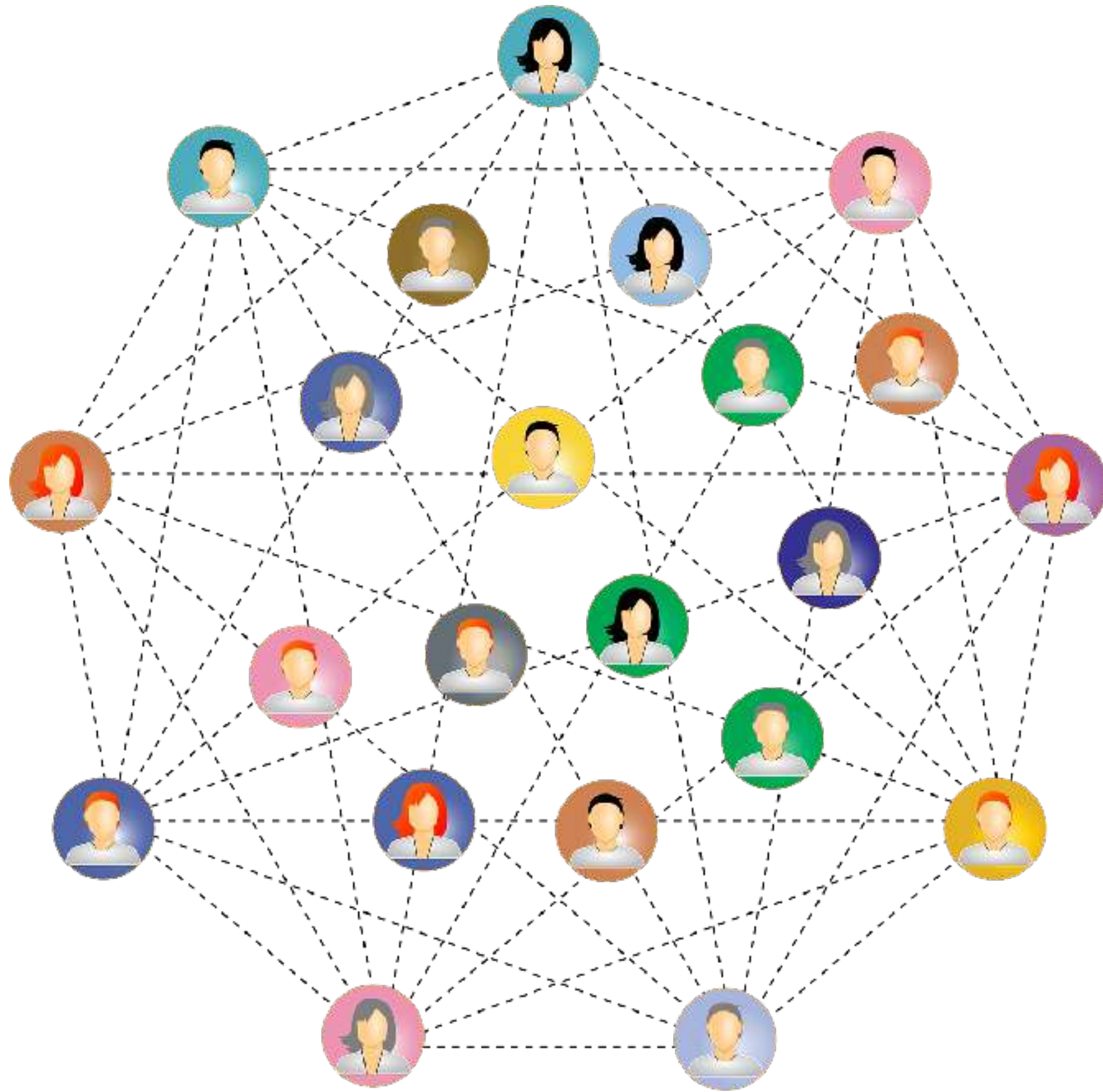
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Advantages of Cisco TrustSec

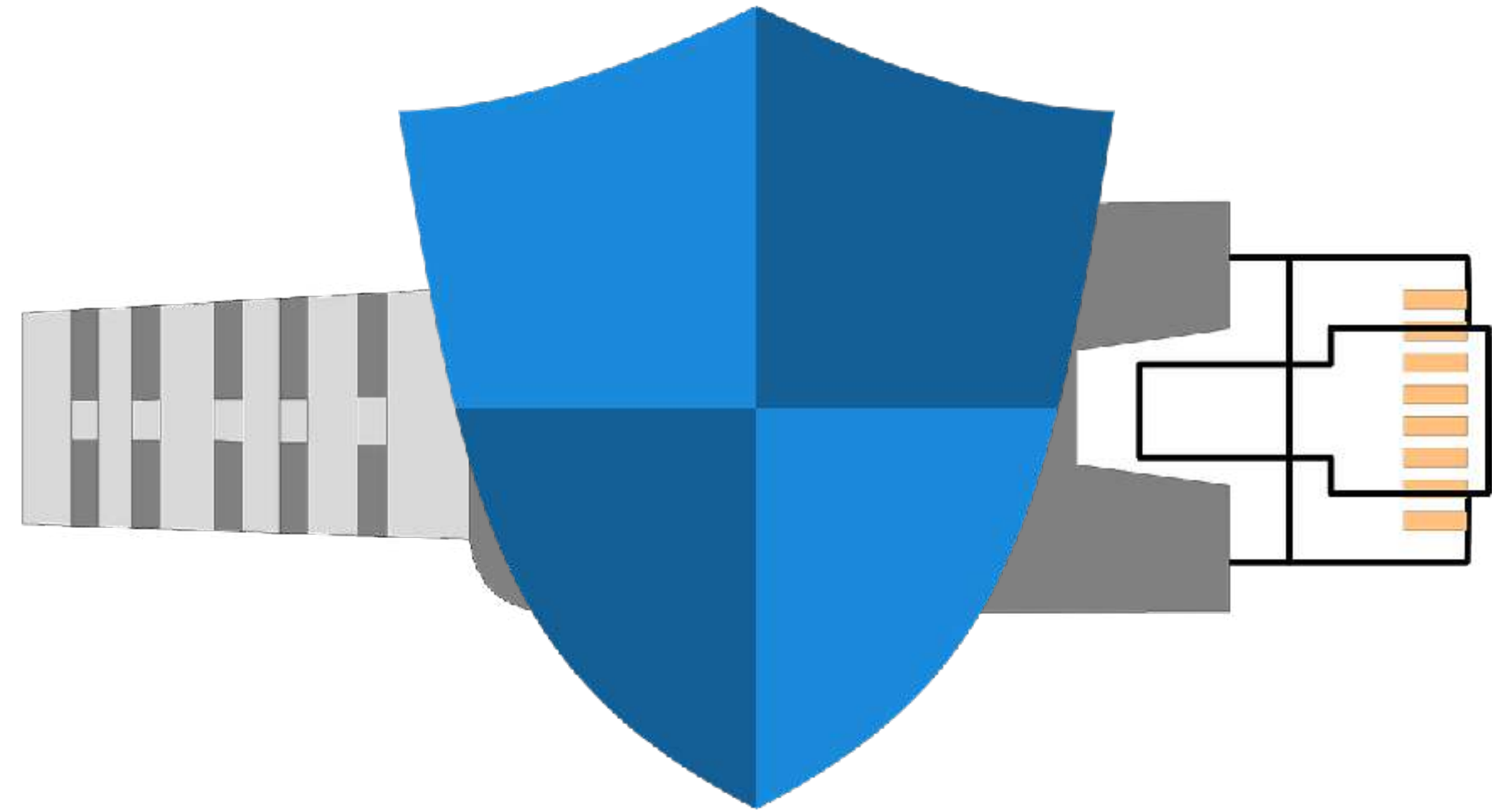
- Highly scalable and efficient
- No topology changes necessary when altering access control
- Not a replacement for traditional methods such as VLANs and subnets, but a supplement

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MACsec:

- IEEE 802.1AE
- Layer 2 protocol
- Confidentiality and integrity over Ethernet



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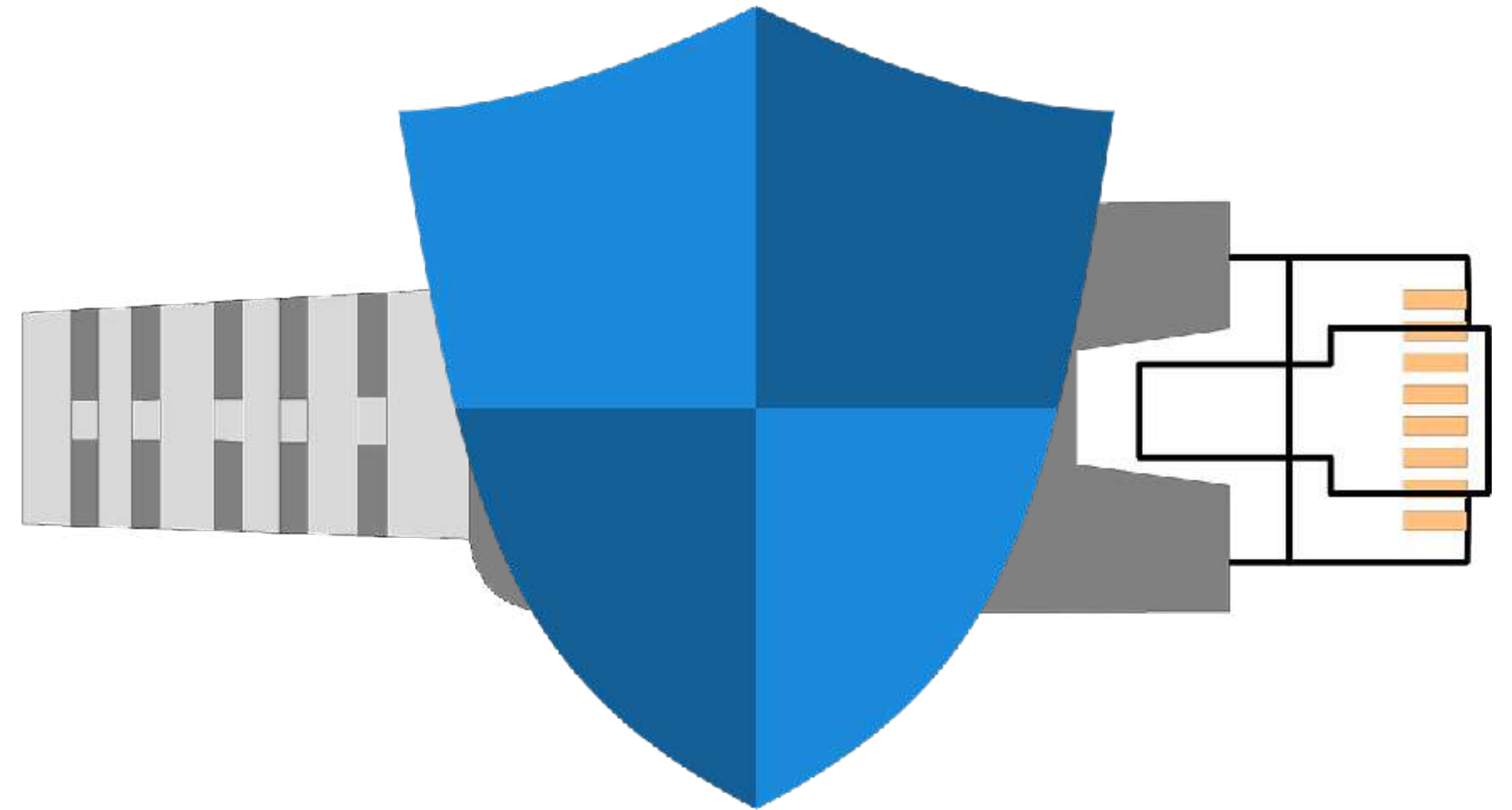
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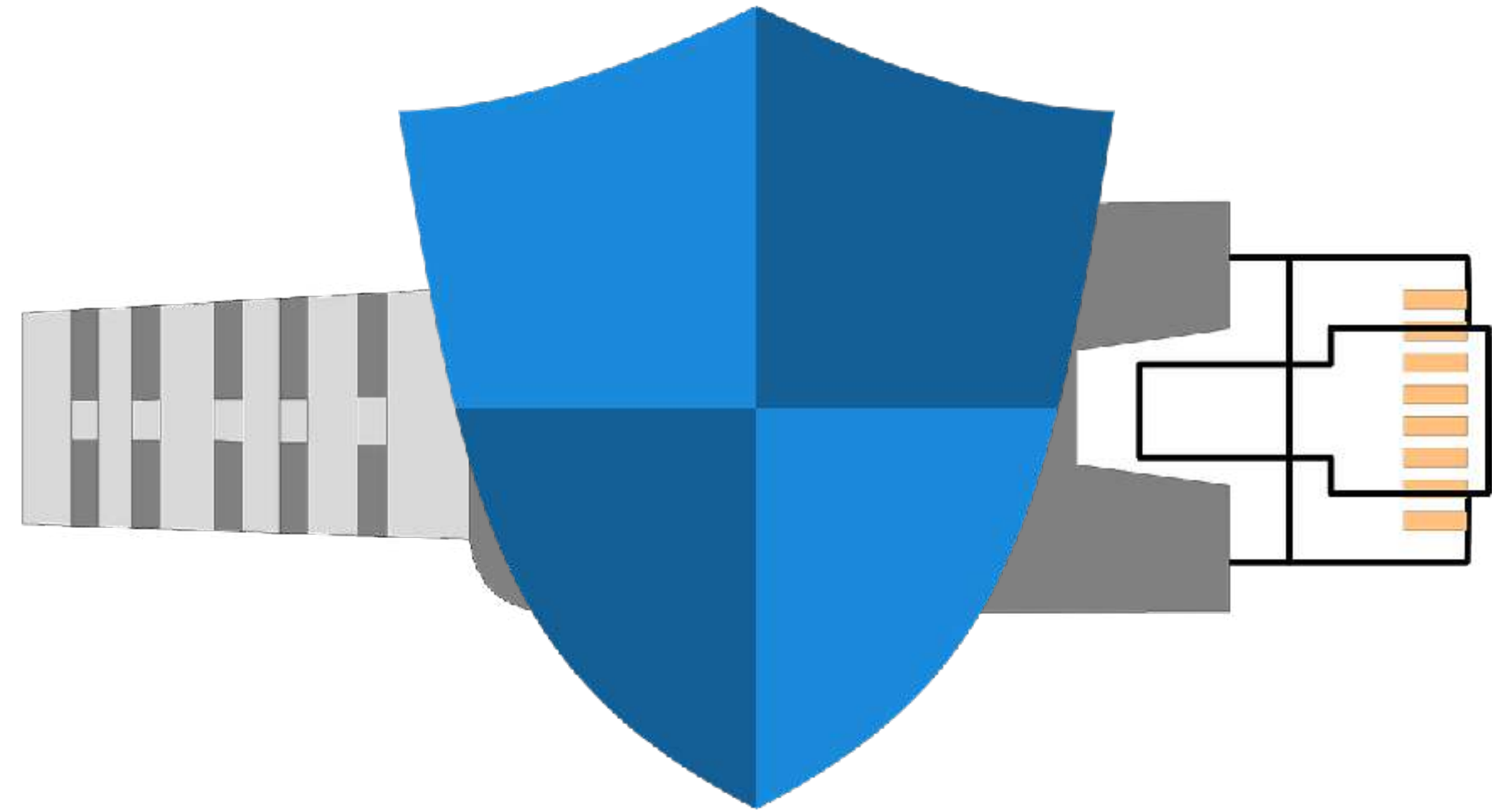
- Wired equivalent of WPA/WPA2 protection
- More viable option than IPsec everywhere
- 128-bit AES-GCM encryption



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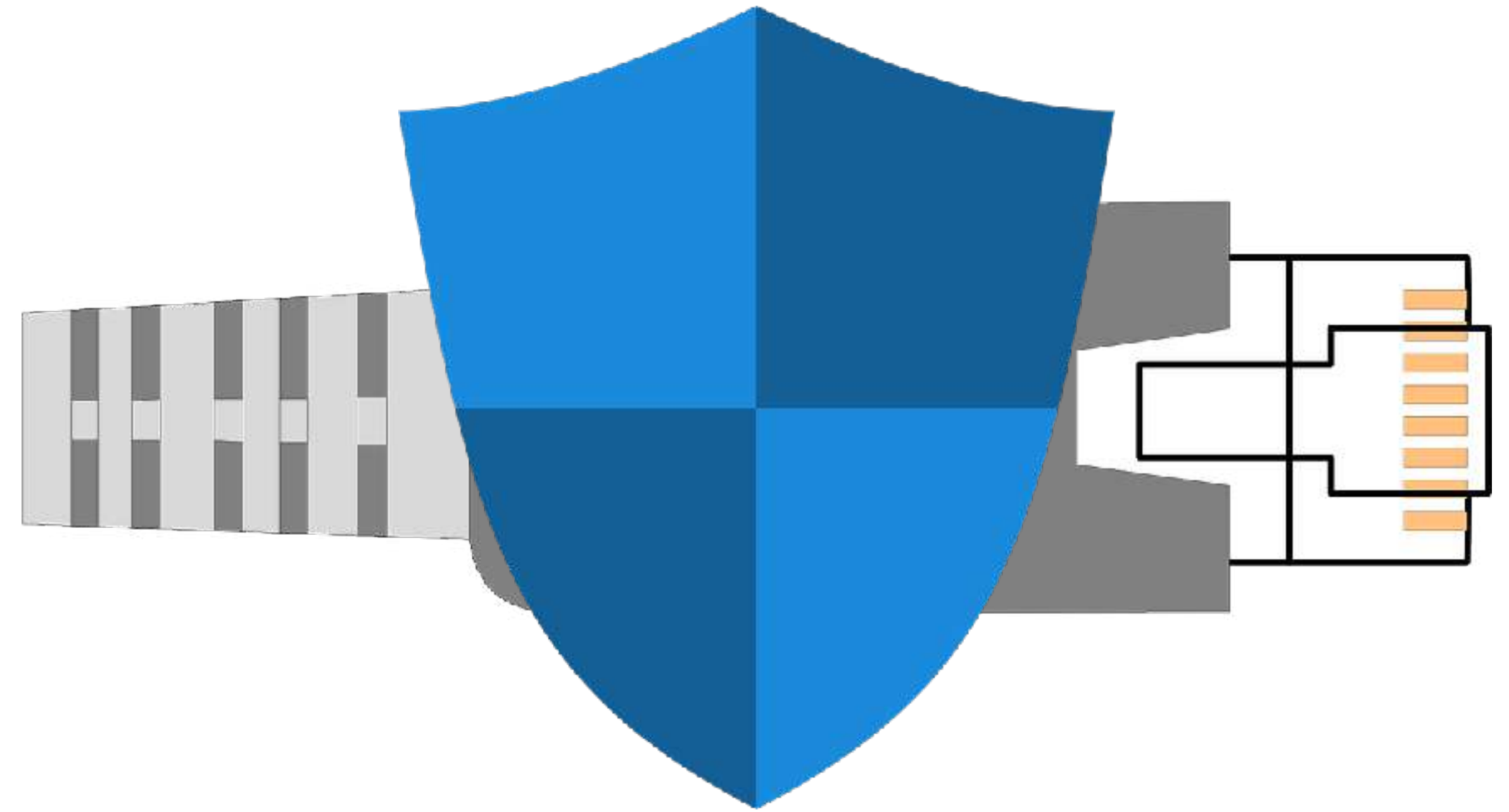
- Only encrypted between MACsec peers
- Internally on a switch, traffic is unencrypted
- Still allows for deep packet inspection



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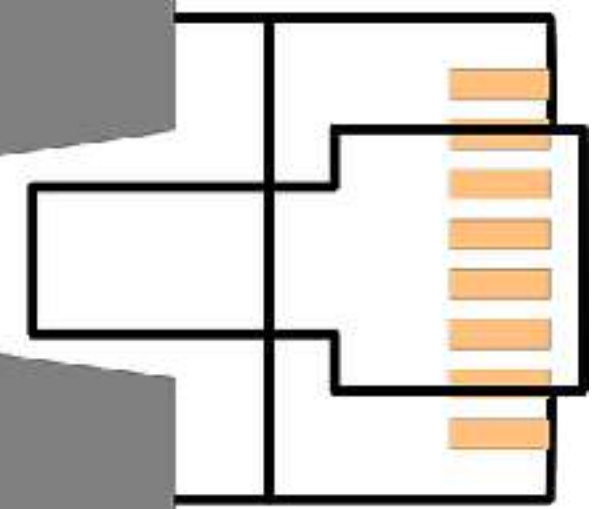
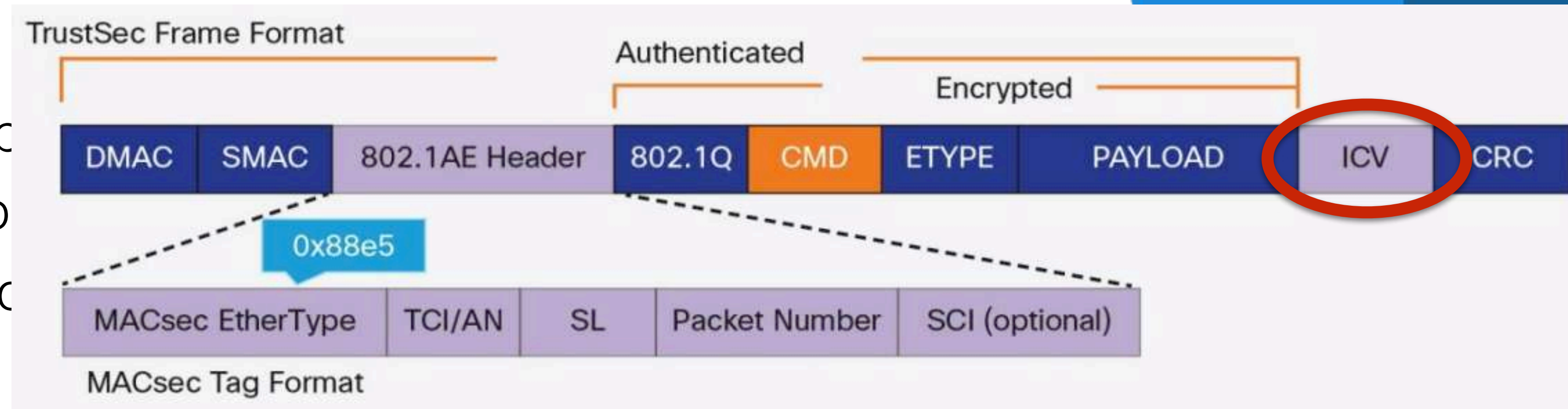
- Processed by switch ASICs
- ASICs perform encryption/decryption
- Less strenuous than IPsec encryption



Media Access Control Security (MACsec)

MACsec:

- Processed by hardware
- ASICs perform operations
- Less strenuous on CPU



Media Access Control Security (MACsec)



Security Association Protocol (SAP):

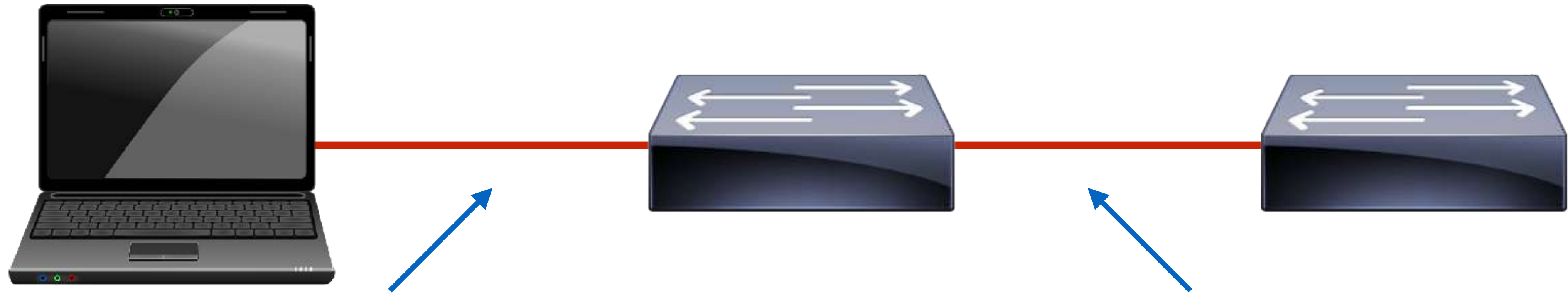
- Line-rate encryption/decryption
- 128-bit AES-GCM encryption
- Cisco-proprietary
- Used between Cisco switches



MACsec Key Agreement (MKA) Protocol:

- Line-rate encryption/decryption
- 128-bit AES-GCM encryption
- Open industry standard
- Used between endpoints and switches

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Downlink MACsec:

- Encrypted link between client and switch
- MACsec Key Agreement (MKA) protocol
- Requires supplicant software
- MACsec can be required or optional

Uplink MACsec:

- Encrypted link between switches
- Security Association Protocol (SAP)
- MKA option available
- Dynamic or manual negotiation

- Commonly layered with TrustSEC to add authentication