
Overview of nicter

- R&D project against Cyber Attacks in Japan -

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nicter video → <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=asemvKgkib4>

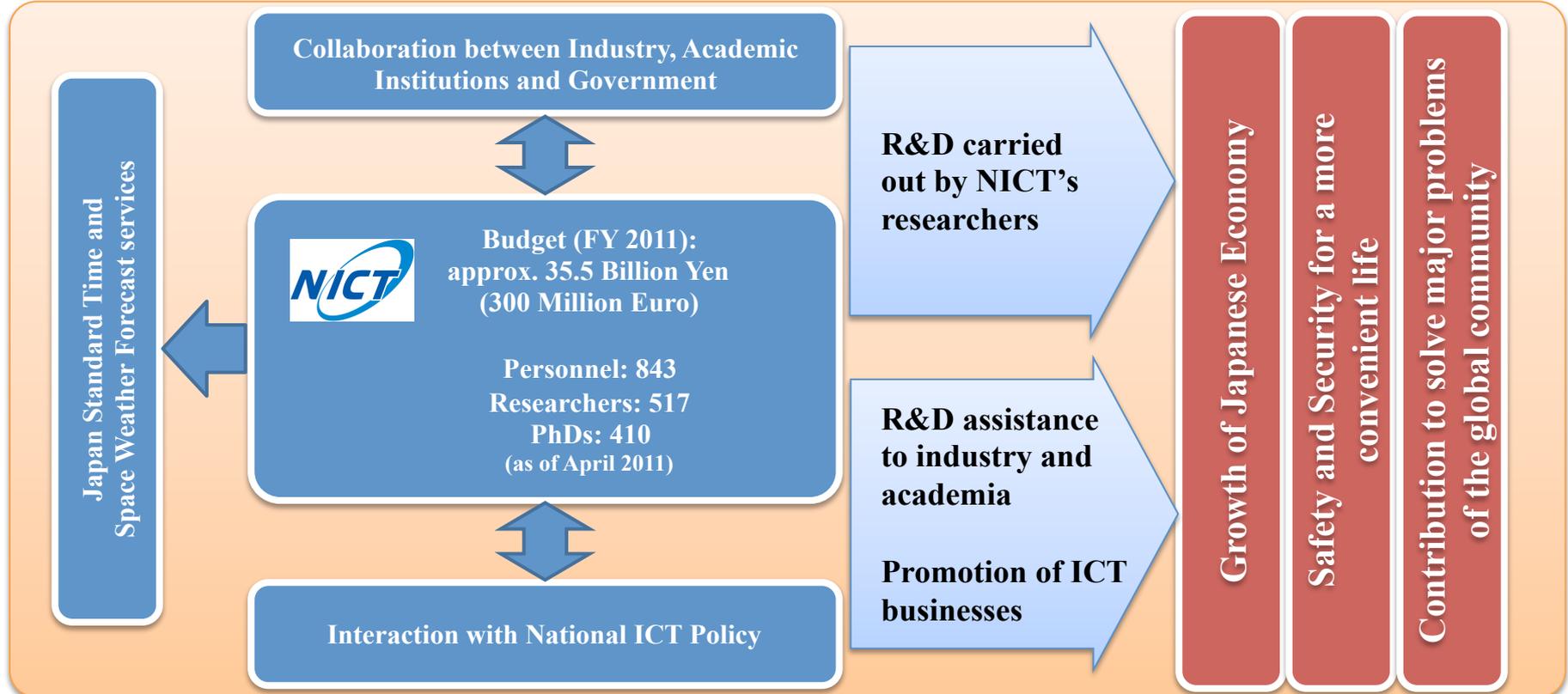
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Outline of NICT

Mission

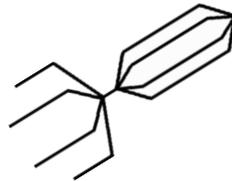
As the sole national research institute in the information and communications field, we as NICT will strive to advance national technologies and contribute to national policies in the field, by promoting our own research and development and by cooperating with and supporting outside parties.



What we are fighting against?

Malware

short for **malicious software** designed to disrupt or deny operation, gather information that leads to loss of privacy or exploitation, gain unauthorized access to system resources, and other abusive behavior.
(from Wikipedia)



Virus



Bot



Worm

Overview of the project *nicter*

nicter = **N**etwork **I**ncident analysis **C**enter
for **T**actical **E**mergency **R**esponse

Target:

Integrated analysis of security threats in large scale networks

- What happens on the Internet?
- What is the root cause?

Strategy:

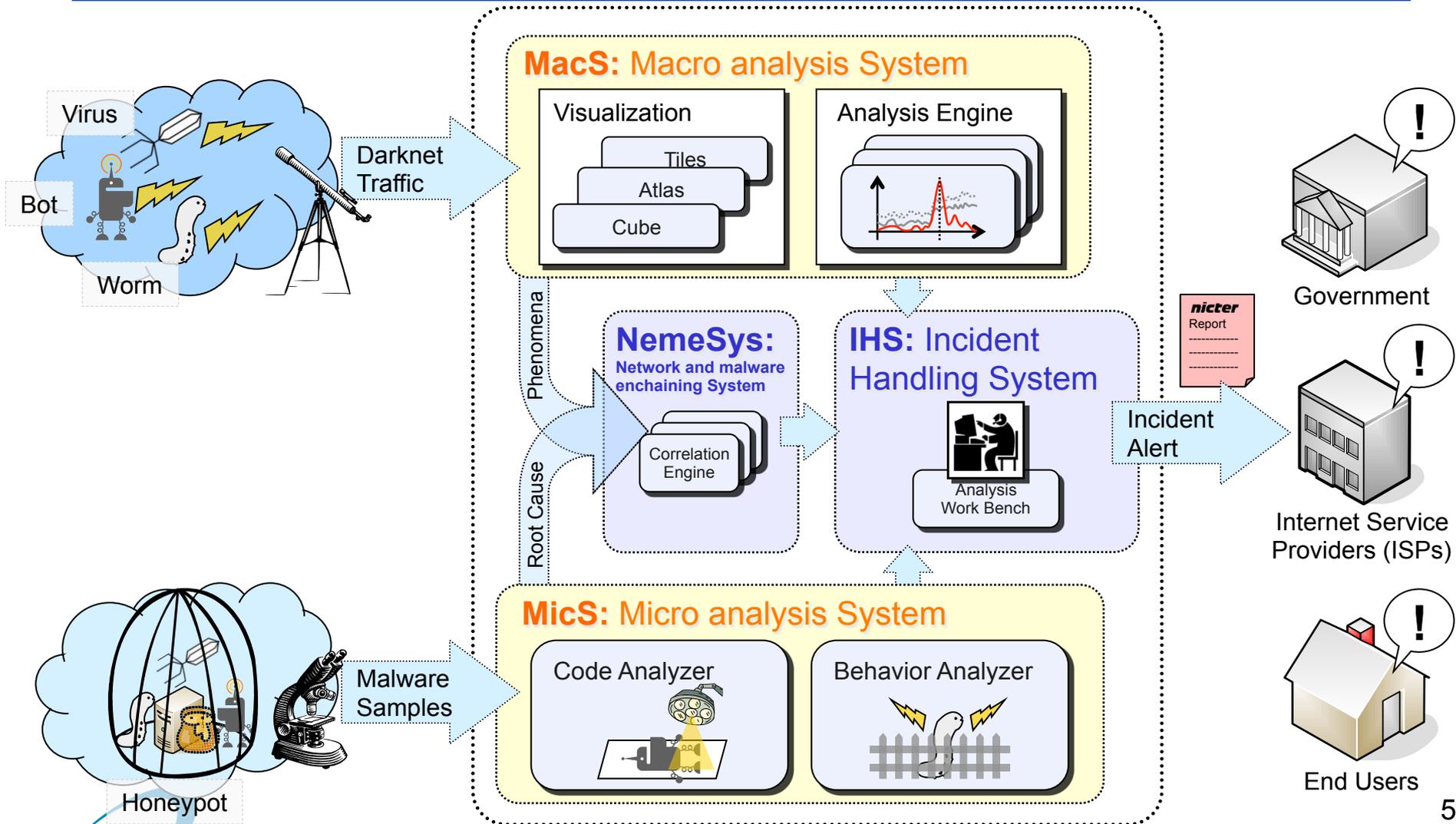
Network monitoring

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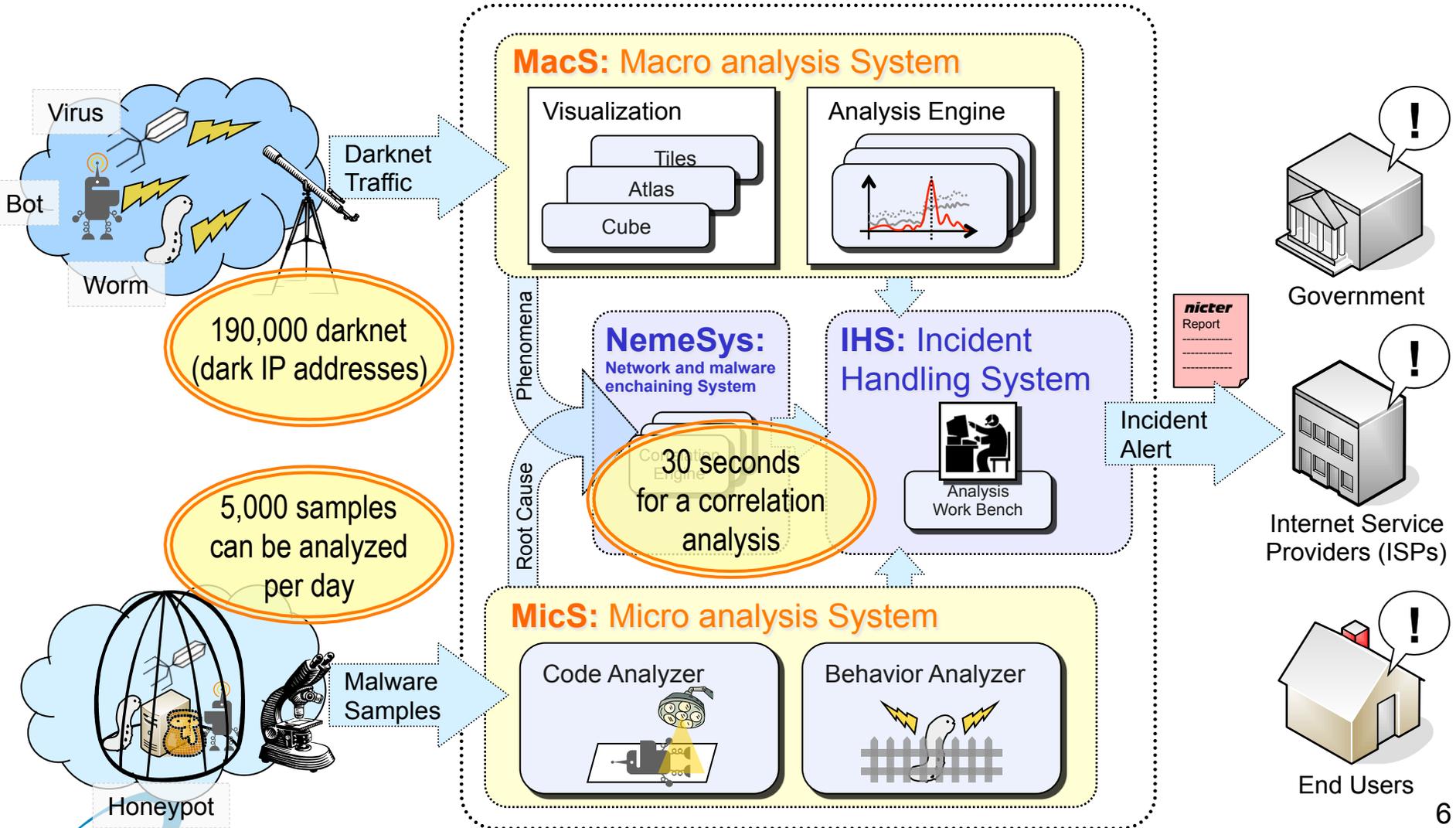
Malware analysis



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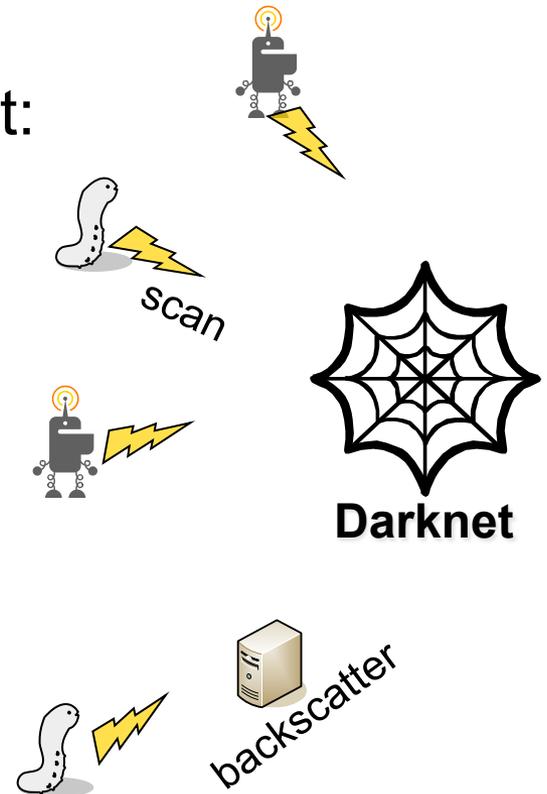


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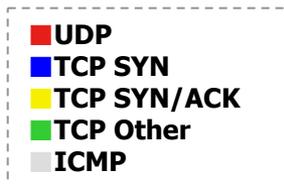
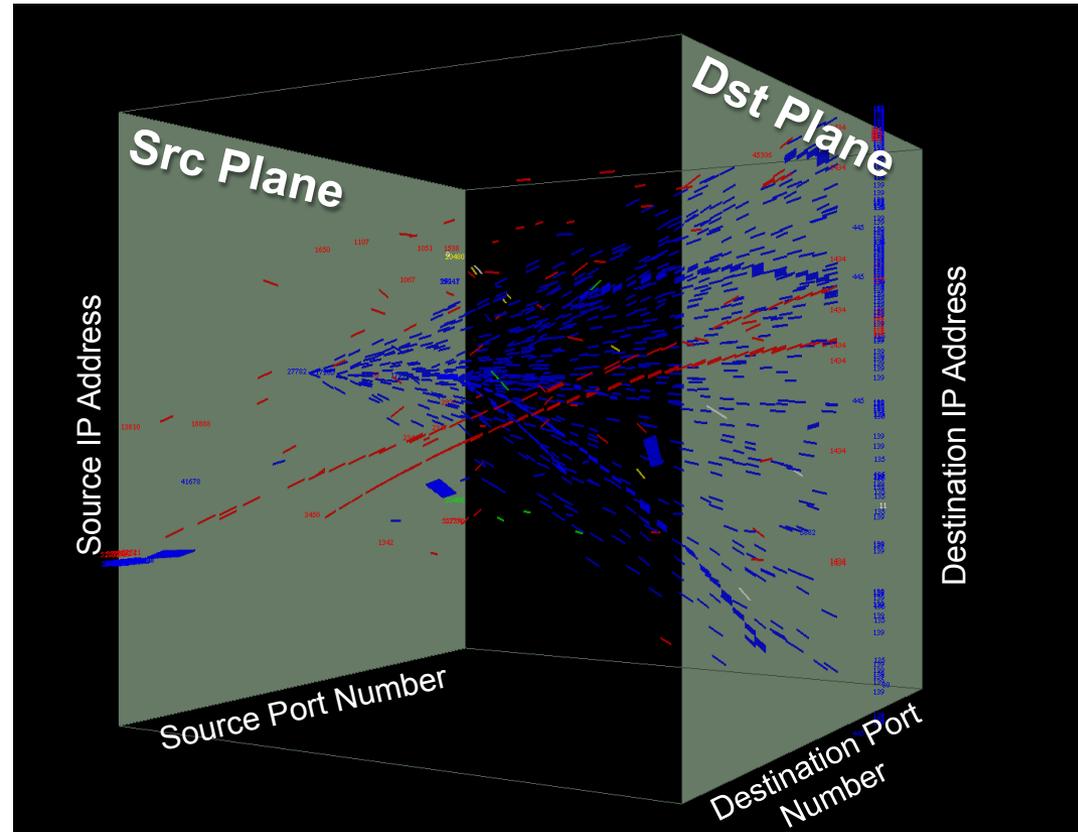
What is Darknet?

- **Darknet:** Unassigned IP addresses space and they are not connected to the real servers/PCs.
- Types of packets arrived to the darknet:
 - Scans and attacks by malwares
 - Backscatter (reflection of DDoS attack)
 - Miss configurations/mistakes
- It is very useful to observe the serious attacks behavior over the Internet.



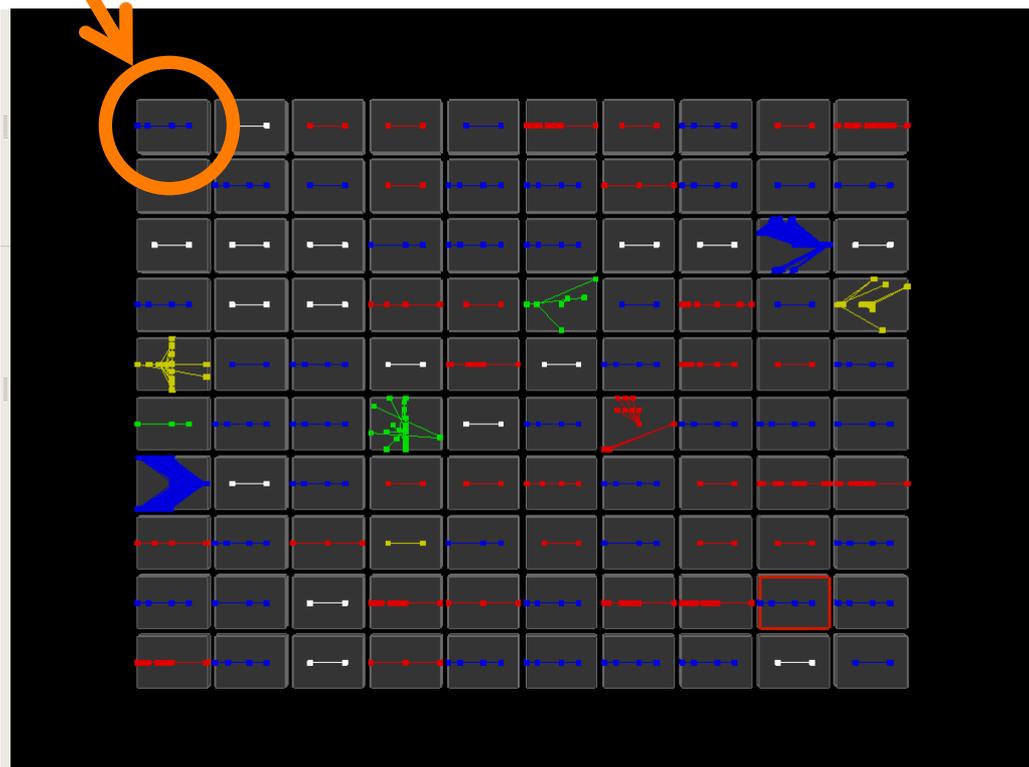
Cube: 3D Traffic Visualization

- Shows comprehensive traffic animation **in real-time**
- **Each packet** is represented by **a thin rectangle**
- The rectangle is placed on the source plane according to its **src IP addr and port number**
- It glides to the destination plane taking about six seconds
- The position it reaches is according to its **dst IP addr and port number**

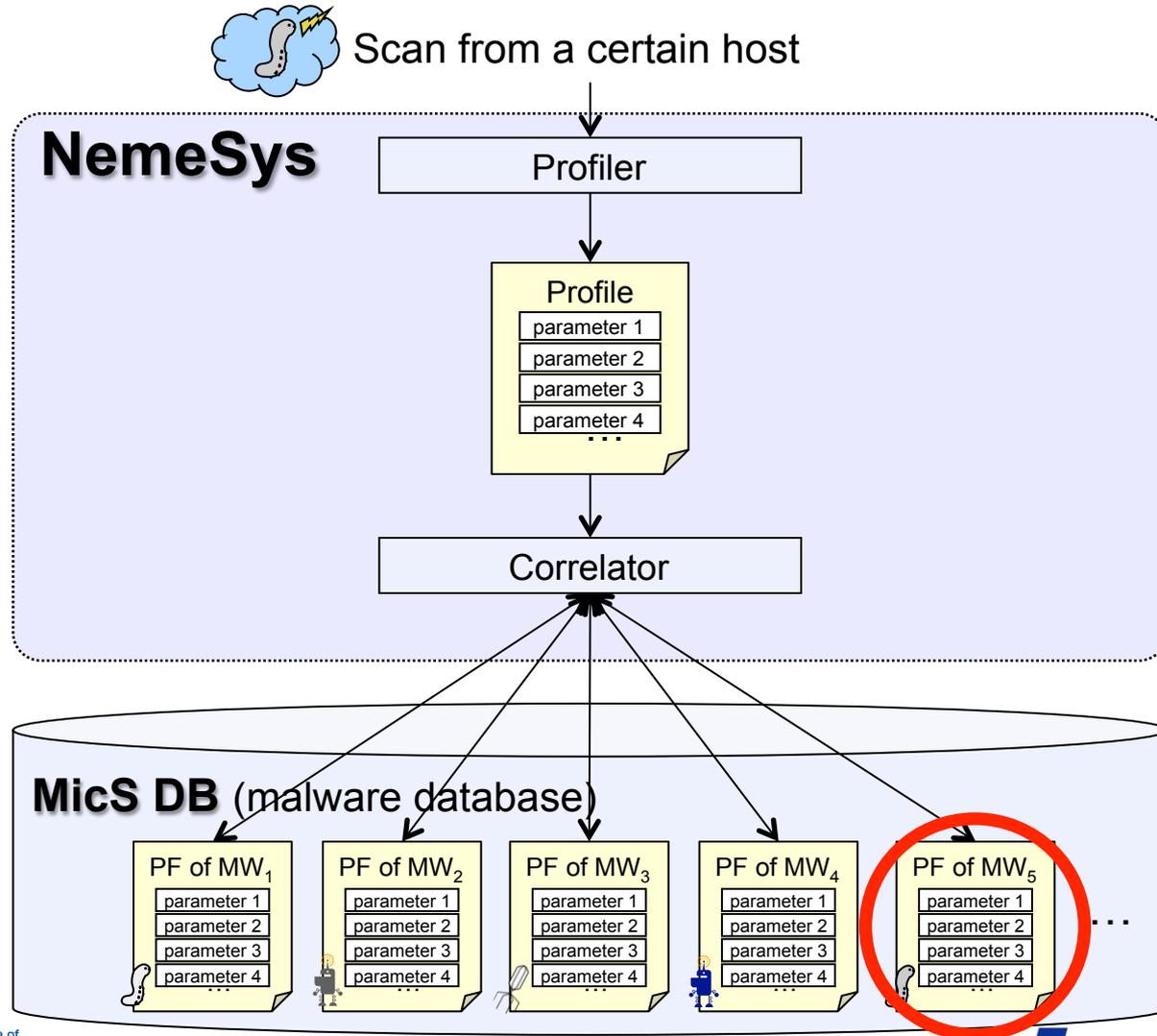


Tiles: Host-based Behavioral Analysis Engine

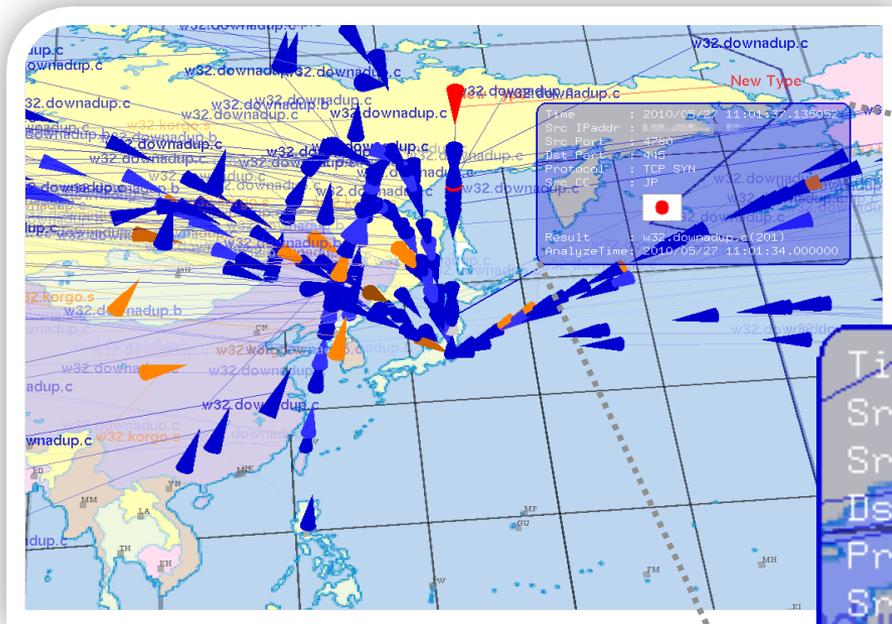
- One **tile** illustrates behavior of an attacking host in 30 sec.
- Each behavior is automatically categorized and stored in a DB.
- Unknown attack pattern can be detected.



NemeSys: Macro-Micro Correlation Analysis



Result of Real-time Correlation Analysis



```
Time : 2010/05/27 11:01:37.135052
Src IPaddr : ██████████
Src Port : 4780
Dst Port : 445
Protocol : TCP SYN
Src CC : JP
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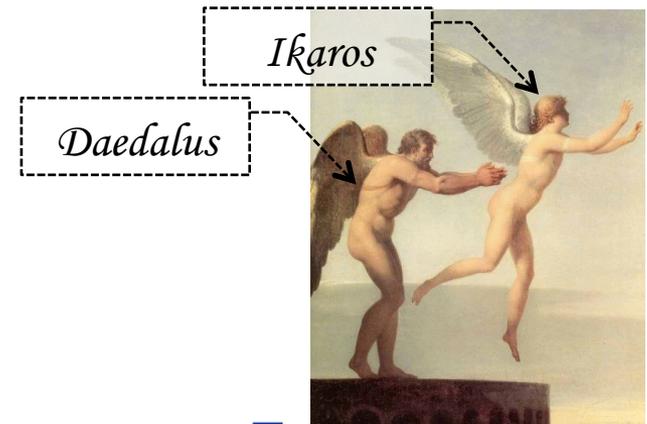
Result : w32.downadup.c(201)

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AnalyzeTime: 2010/05/27 11:01:34.000000
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- nicter real-time alert system -

DAEDALUS

(**D**irect **A**lert **E**nvironment for
Darknet **A**nd **L**ivenet **U**nified **S**ecurity)



Goal and Mechanism of DAEDALUS

Goal:

Utilize the darknet monitoring results

for securing the livenet.

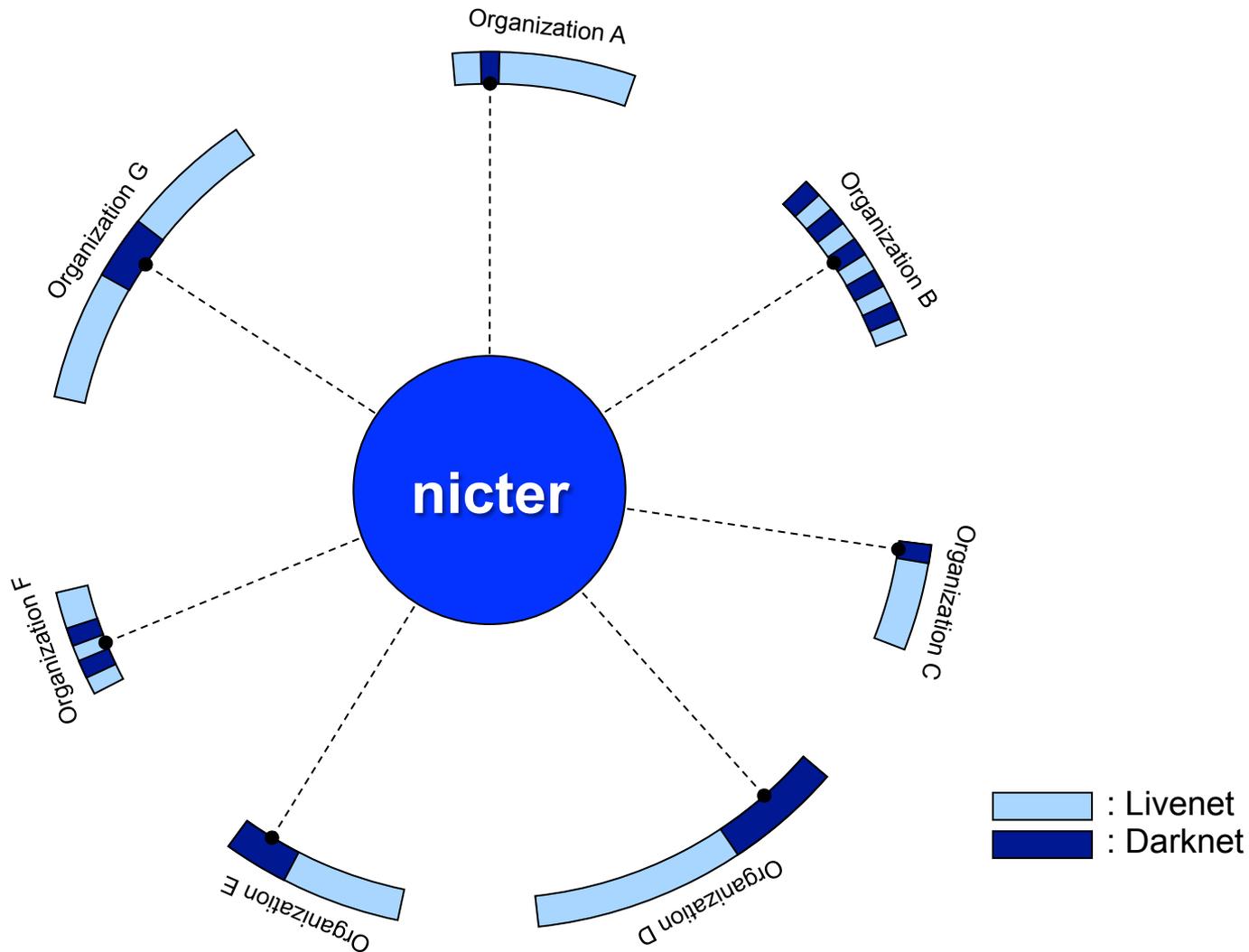
Mechanism:

if (nicter receives packets

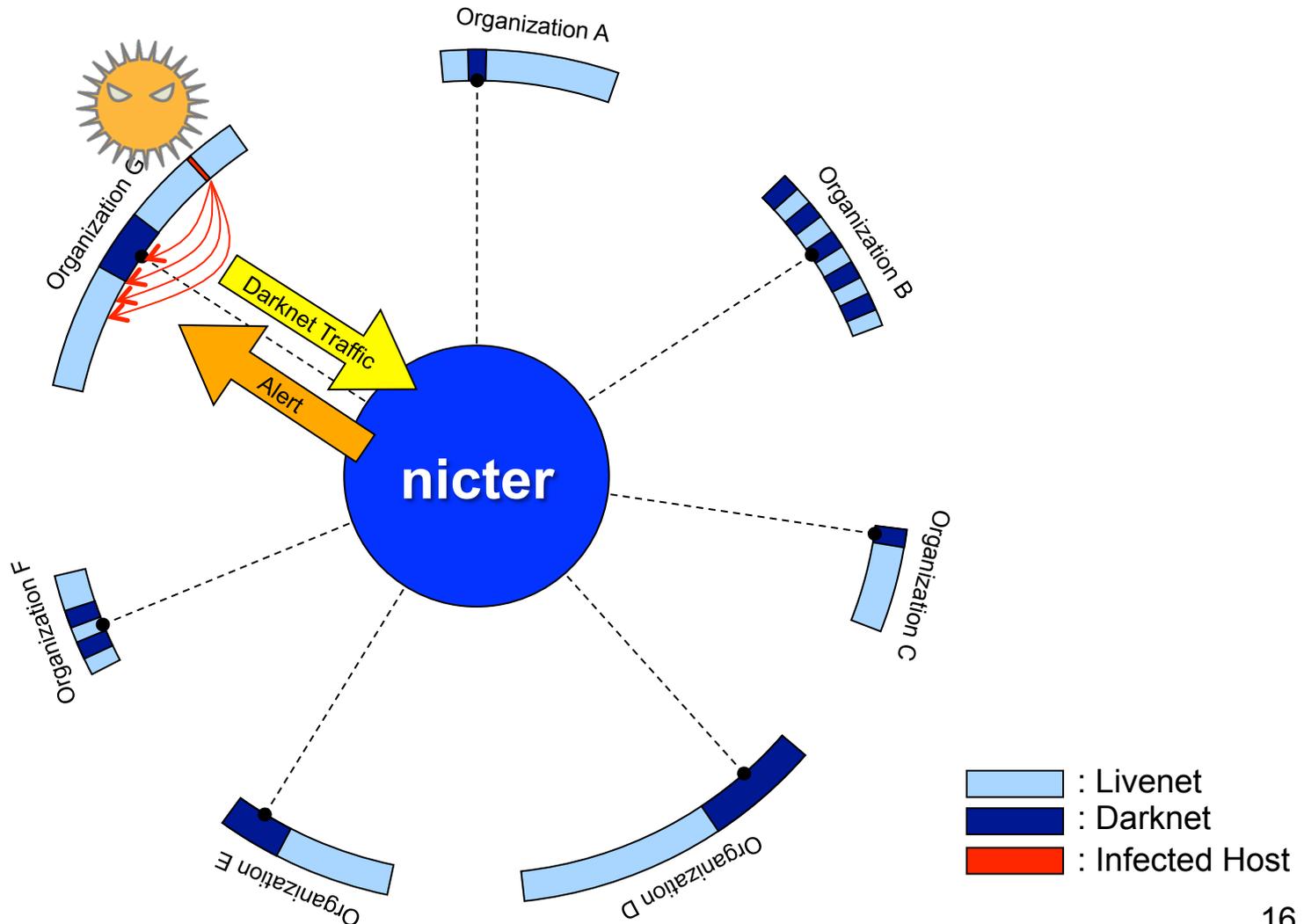
from a cooperative organization)

alert;

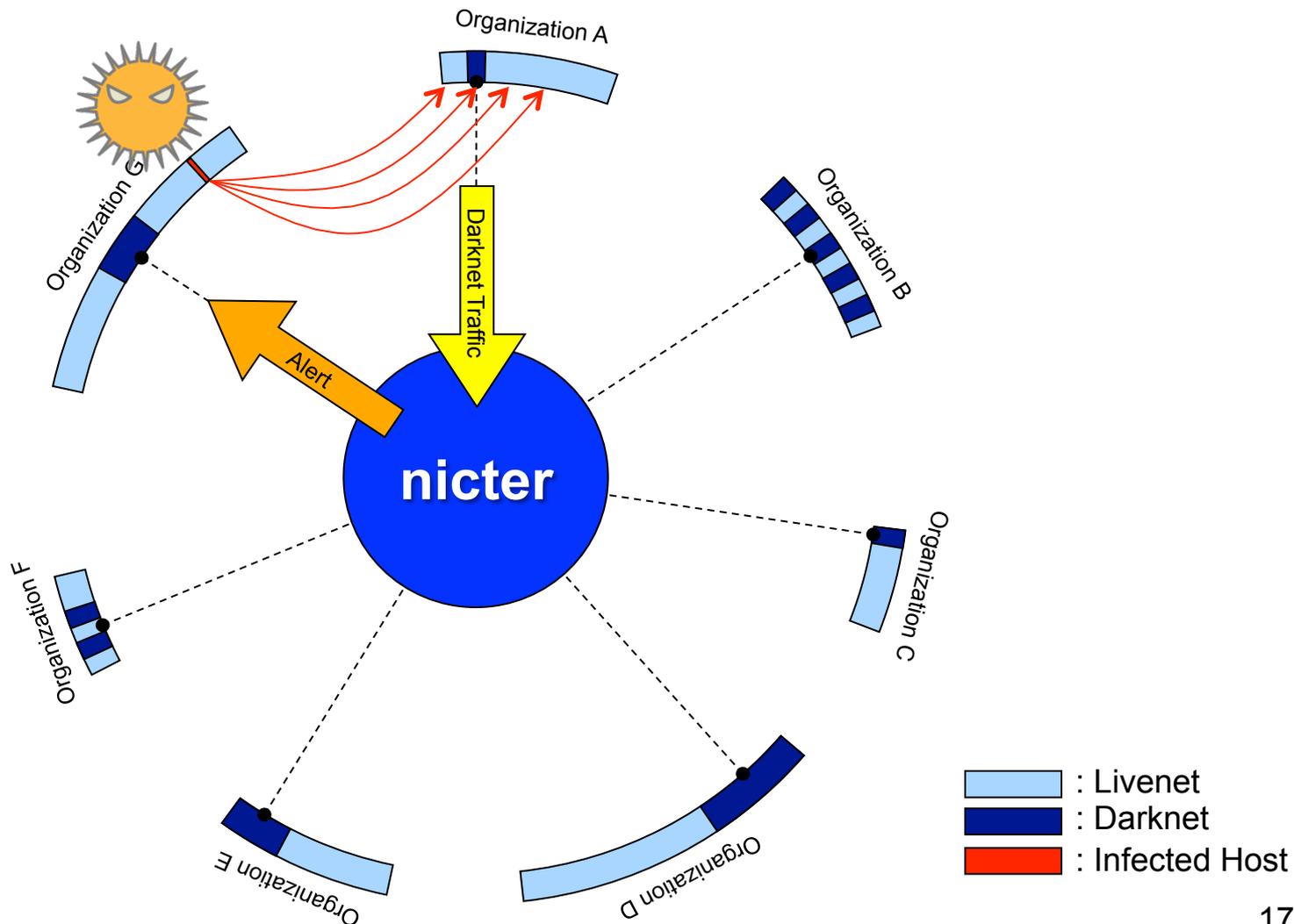
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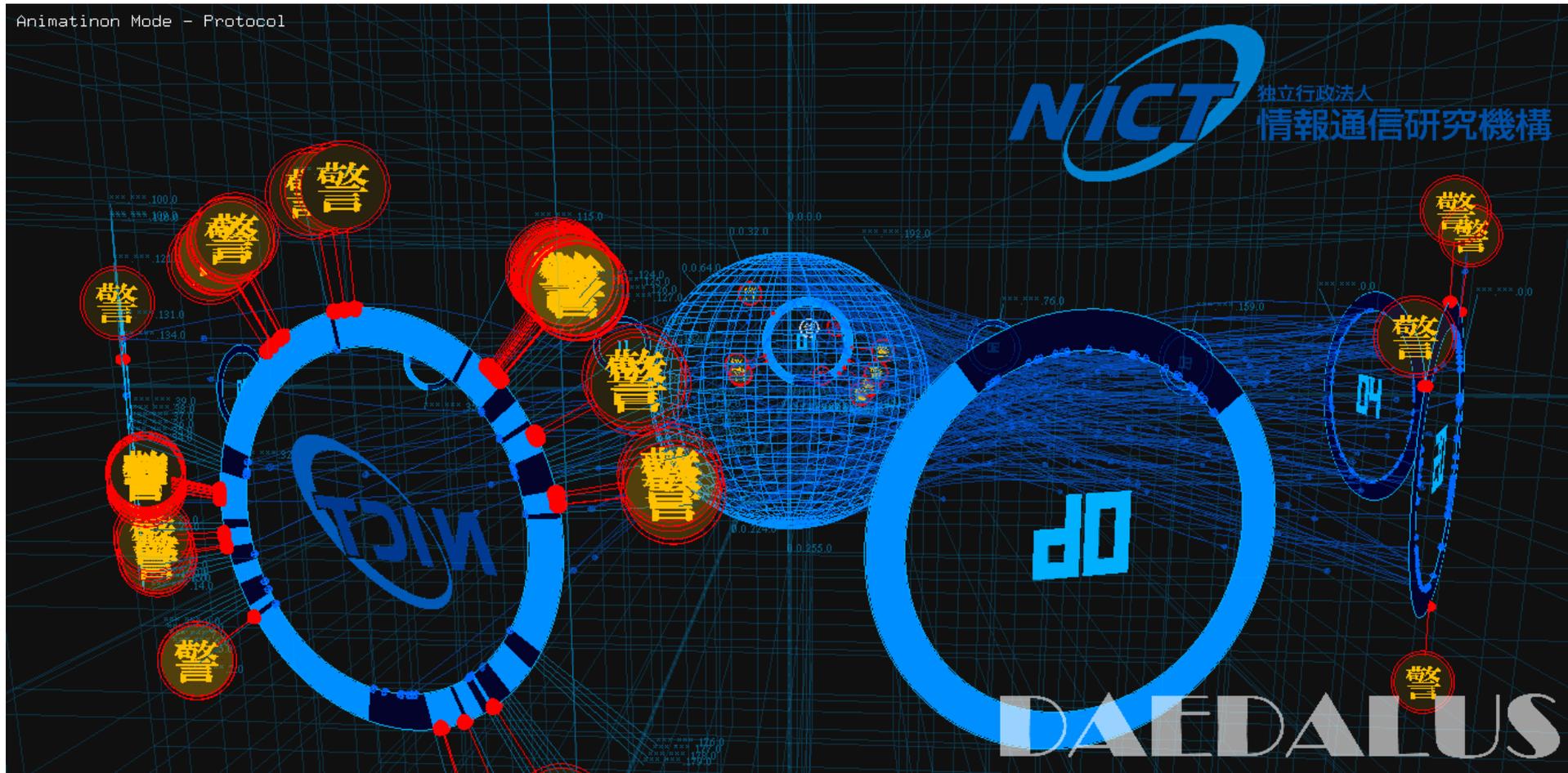
Internal Darknet Alert



External Darknet Alert



DAEDALUS viz



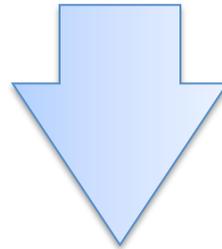
Yet Other Emerging Threats...

- **Drive-by Download**
- **SNS Malware**
- **Targeted Attack**
- **Threats on IPv6 Network
etc...**



Conclusions

- We are conducting R&D to investigate practical Cybersecurity technologies.
- We still need new frameworks to observe, analyze and respond to the emerging threats.



- **International collaboration** is crucial for developing state-of-the-art Cybersecurity technologies.