IP(v6) packet staining

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Abstract

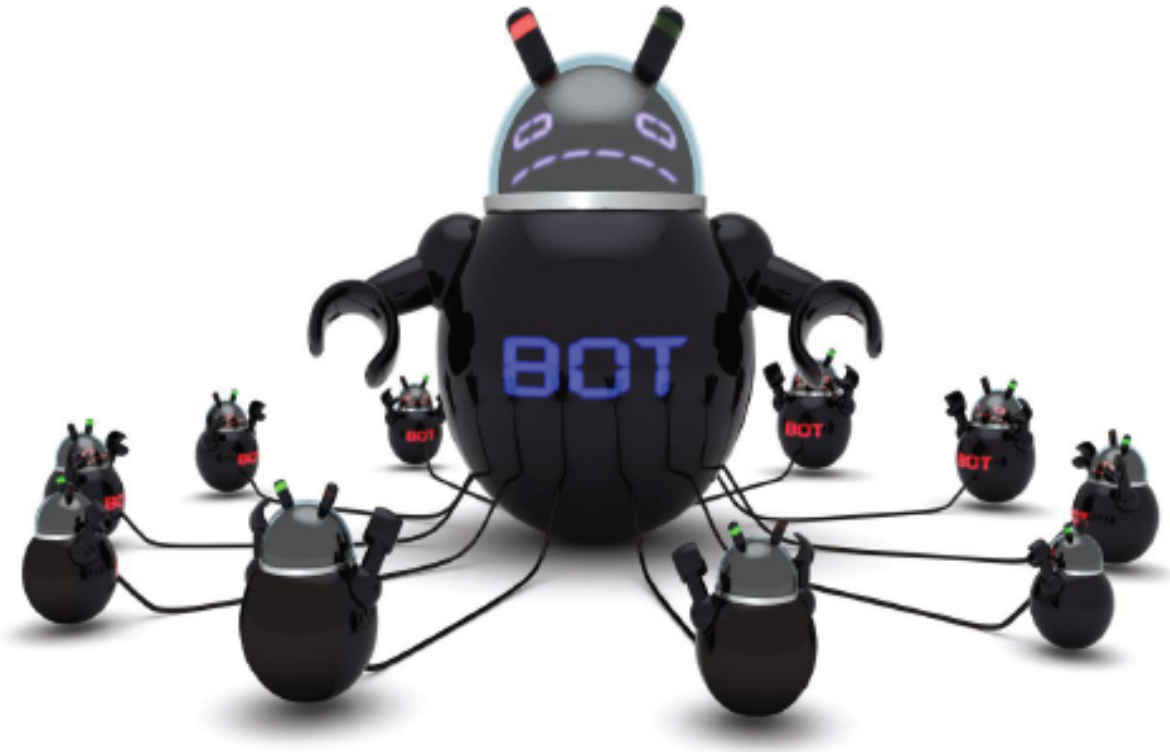
This document specifies the application of security staining on an IPv6 datagrams and the minimum requirements for IPv6 nodes staining flows, IPv6 nodes forwarding stained packets and interpreting stains on flows.

The usage of the packet staining destination option enables proactive delivery of security intelligence to IPv6 nodes such as firewalls and intrusion prevention systems, and end-points such servers, workstations, mobile and smart devices and an infinite array of as-yet-to-be-invented sensors and controllers.

Prior work

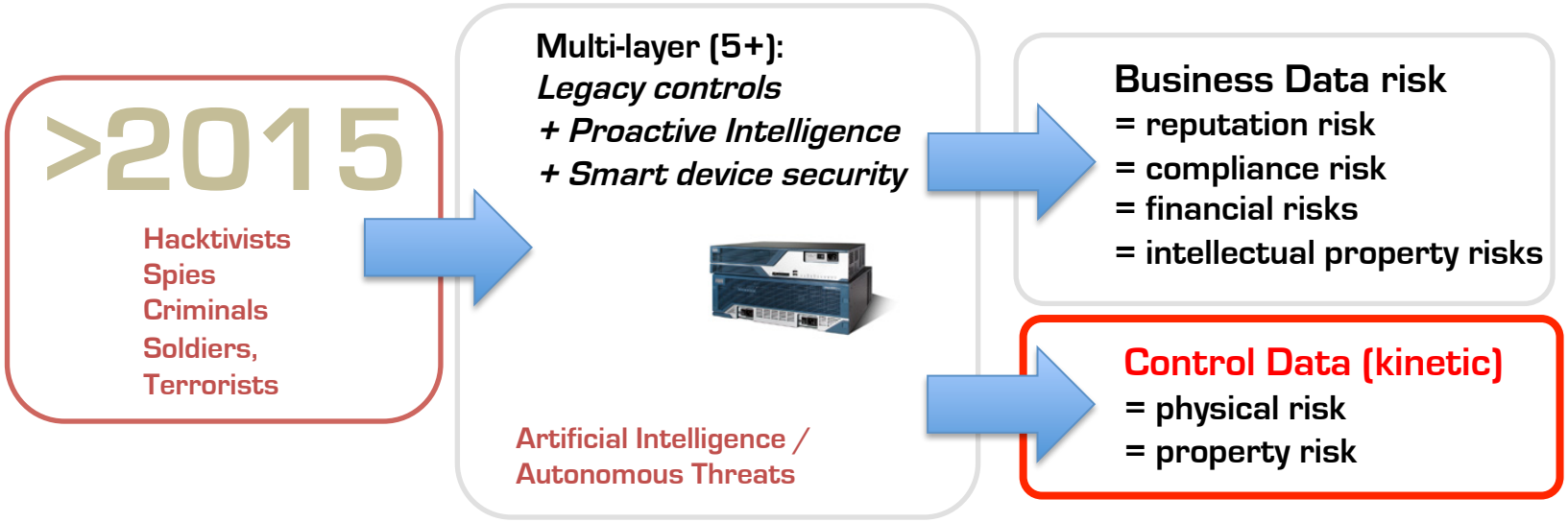
Summer 2010
http://iac.dtic.mil/iatac/download/Vol13_No3.pdf
Fall 2010
http://iac.dtic.mil/iatac/download/Vol13_No4.pdf
Winter 2011
http://iac.dtic.mil/iatac/download/Vol14_No1.pdf

Why?


BOT

Older detection approaches are failing

- Time between compromise and exploitation can be *sub-second*
- Too much latency between detection and intelligence distribution
- .dat files and CRLS are huge
  - Not appropriate for metered services (3G/4G)
- On-line queries subject to disruption and compromise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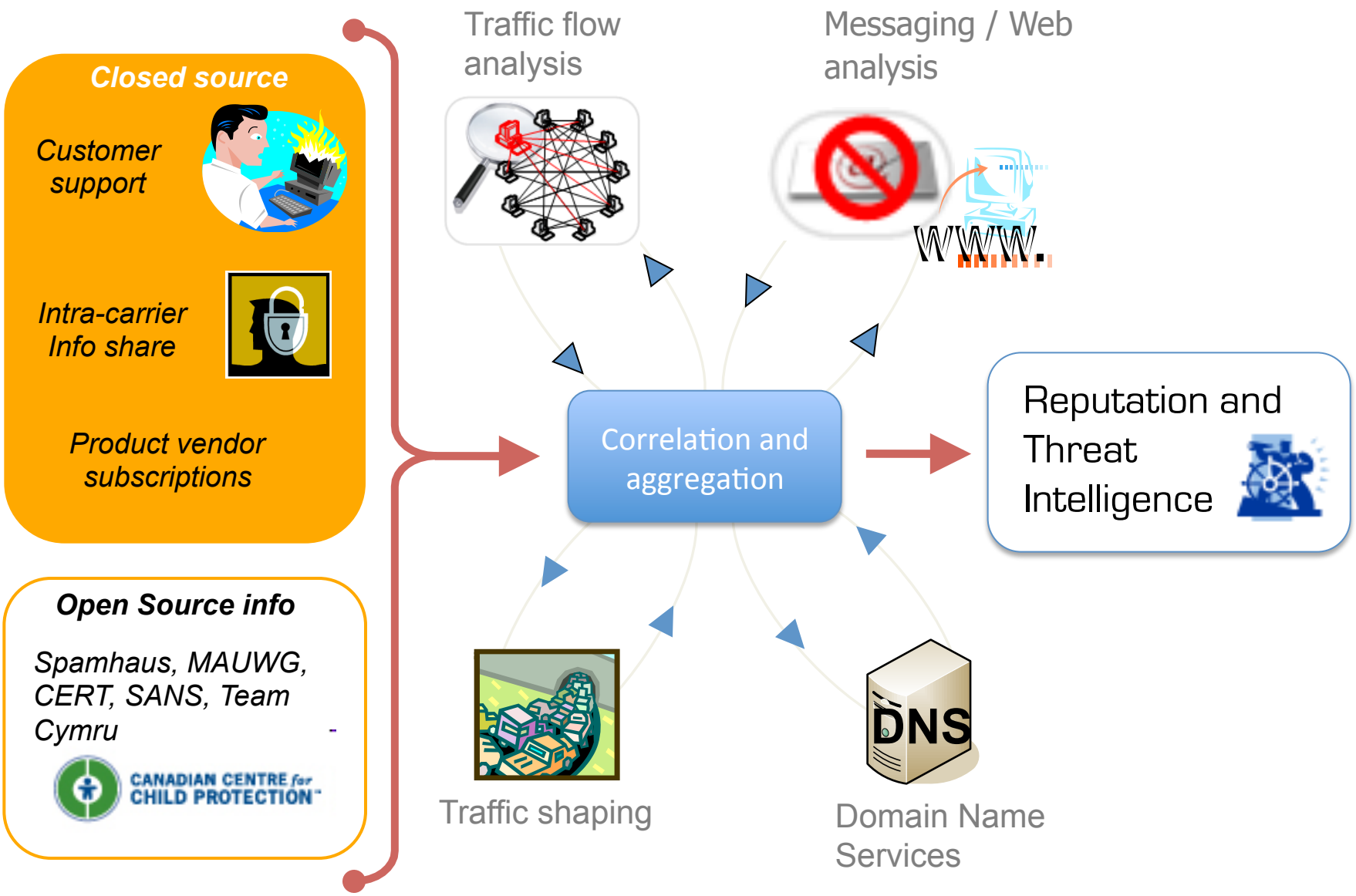
Hacktivists
Spies
Criminals
Soldiers,
Terrorists
Multi-layer (5+):
Legacy controls
+ Proactive Intelligence
+ Smart device security
Artificial Intelligence /
Autonomous Threats
Business Data risk
= reputation risk
= compliance risk
= financial risks
= intellectual property risks
Control Data (kinetic)
= physical risk
= property risk

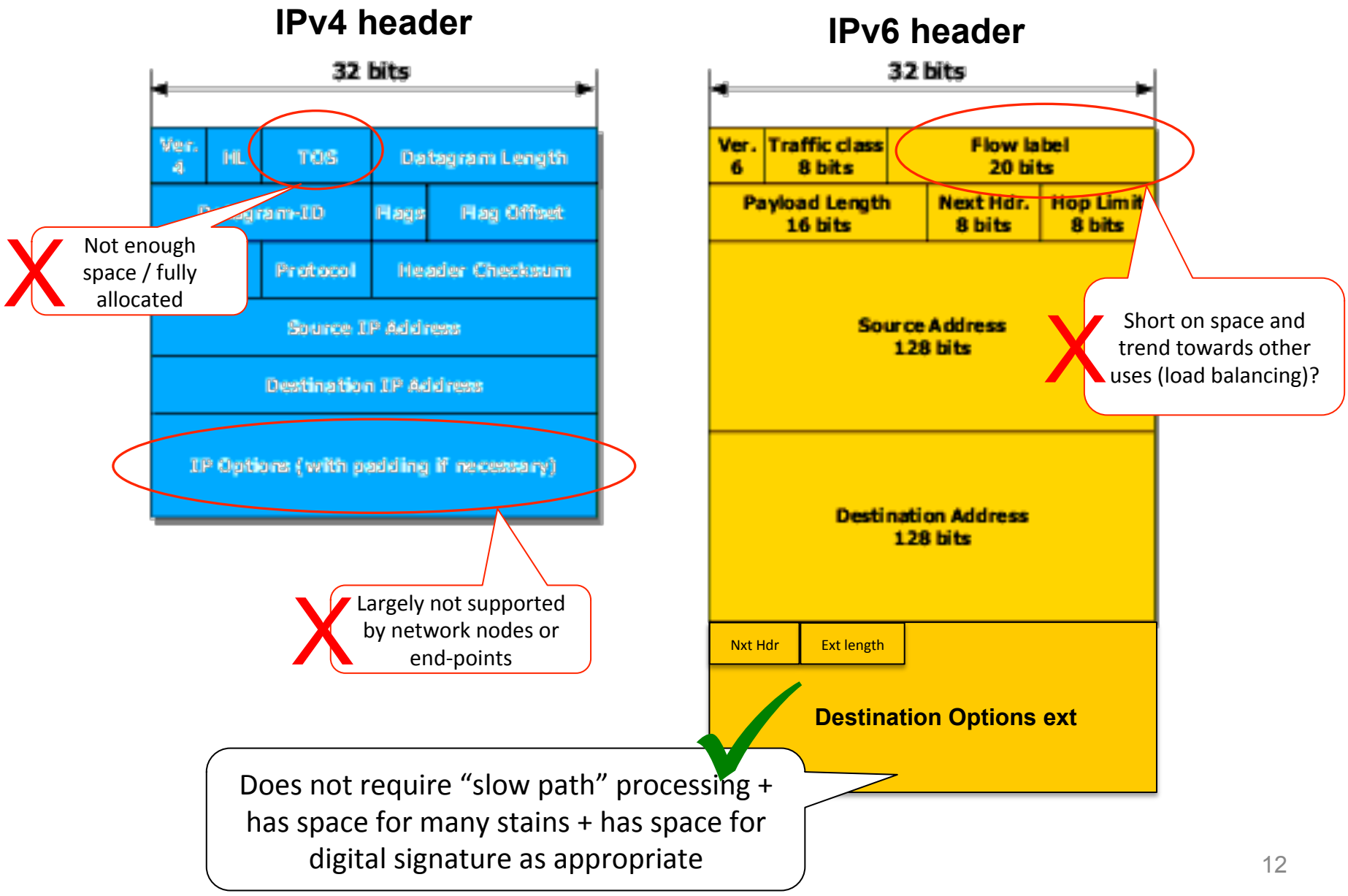
What?

Threat Intelligence



How?

IP header staining



Destination Options format

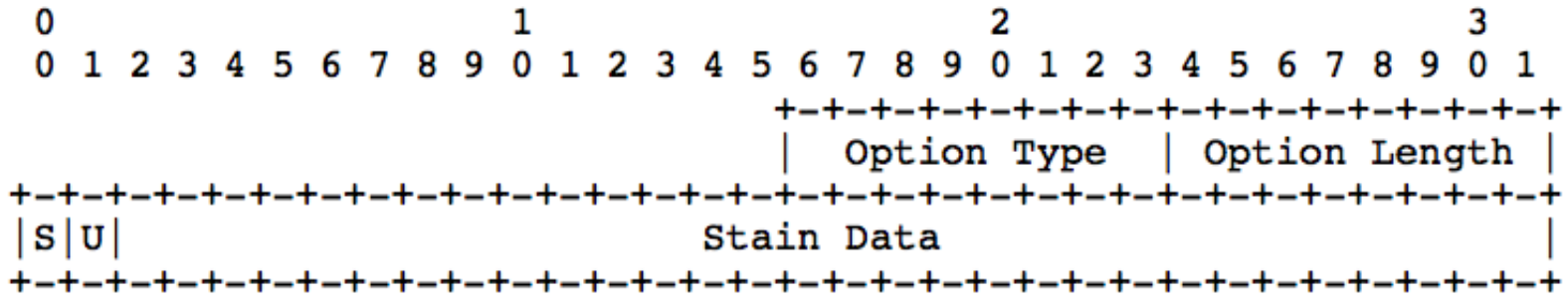
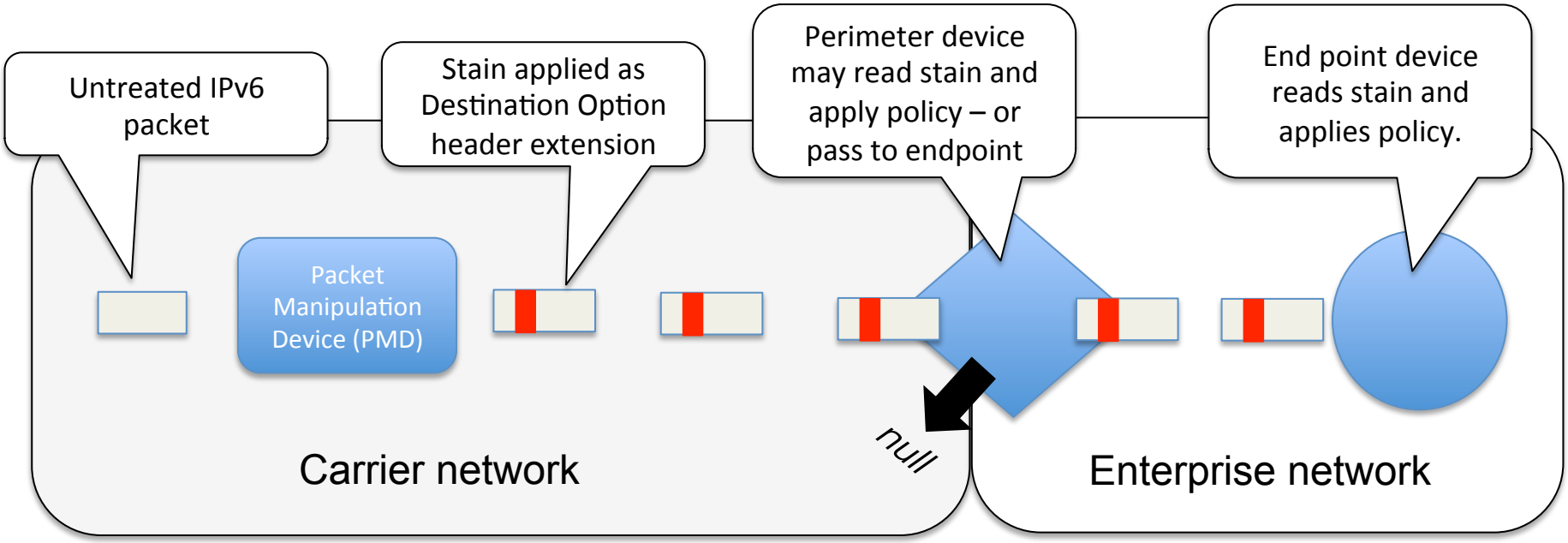


Figure 1: Packet Stain Destination Option Layout

Options type	8-bit identifier of the type of option. The option identifier for the reputation stain option will be allocated by the IANA
Options length	8-bit unsigned integer. The length of the option (excluding the Option Type and Option Length fields).
S bit	When this bit is set, the reputation stain option has been signed.
U bit	When this bit is set, the reputation stain option contains a malicious URL.
Stain data	Contains the stain (reputation information) data

IPv6 concept of operations



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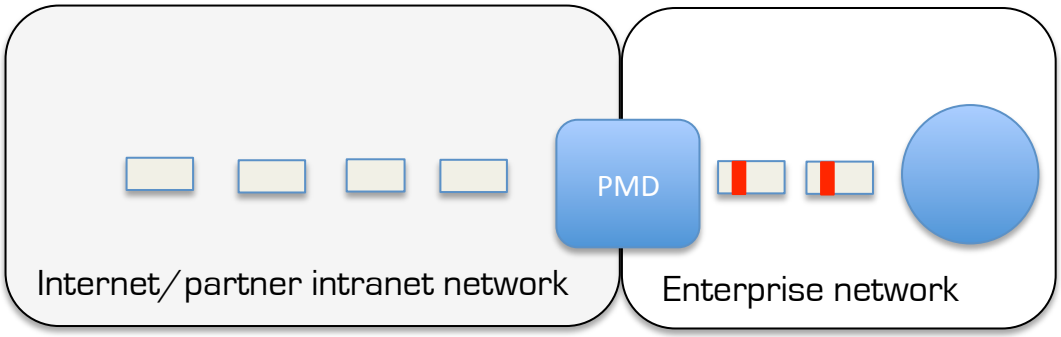

Questions & Comments to date

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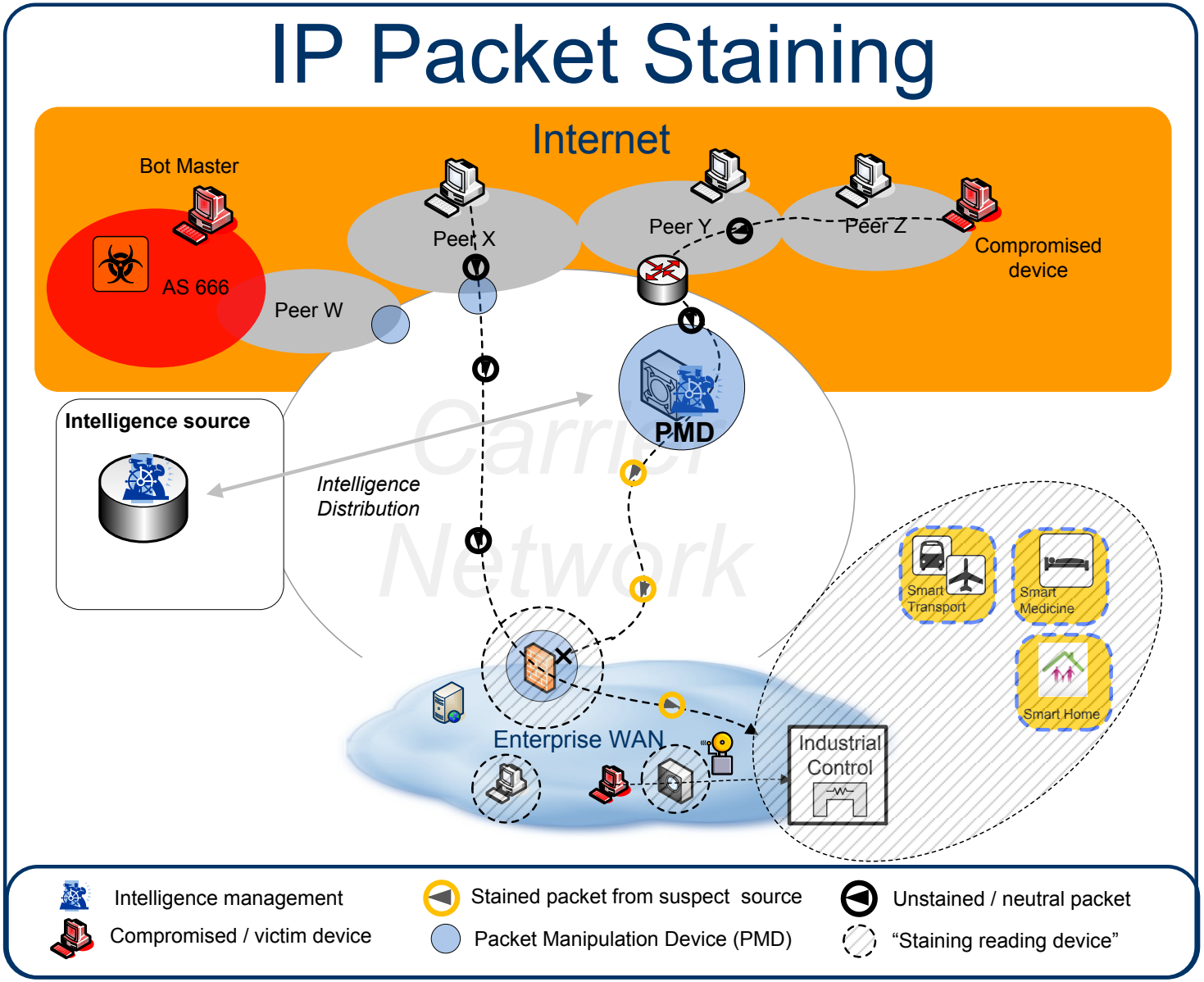
- Is this legal?
- Provide sample code?
- More details on S and U bits
- Add use-case for home users (mitigate loss of NAT firewalls)
- Add stain semantics
- Discuss scalability advantages over .dat or CRL-type solutions
- Discuss reputation algorithms

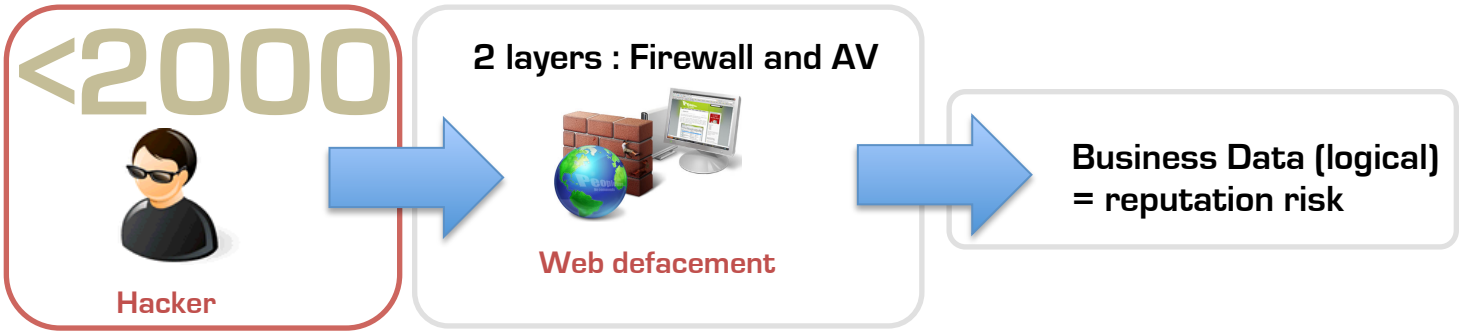
Conclusion

Is “packet staining” worth pursuing?

Back-up

Use-cases


IP Packet Staining
Internet
Bot Master
AS 666
Peer W
Peer X
Peer Y
Peer Z
Compromised device
Intelligence source
Intelligence Distribution
PMD
Carrier Network
Smart Transport
Smart Medicine
Smart Home
Enterprise WAN
Industrial Control
Intelligence management
Compromised / victim device
Stained packet from suspect source
Packet Manipulation Device (PMD)
Unstained / neutral packet
"Staining reading device"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Hacker
2 layers : Firewall and AV
Web defacement
Business Data (logical)
= reputation risk

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Hacktivists
Spies
Criminals,

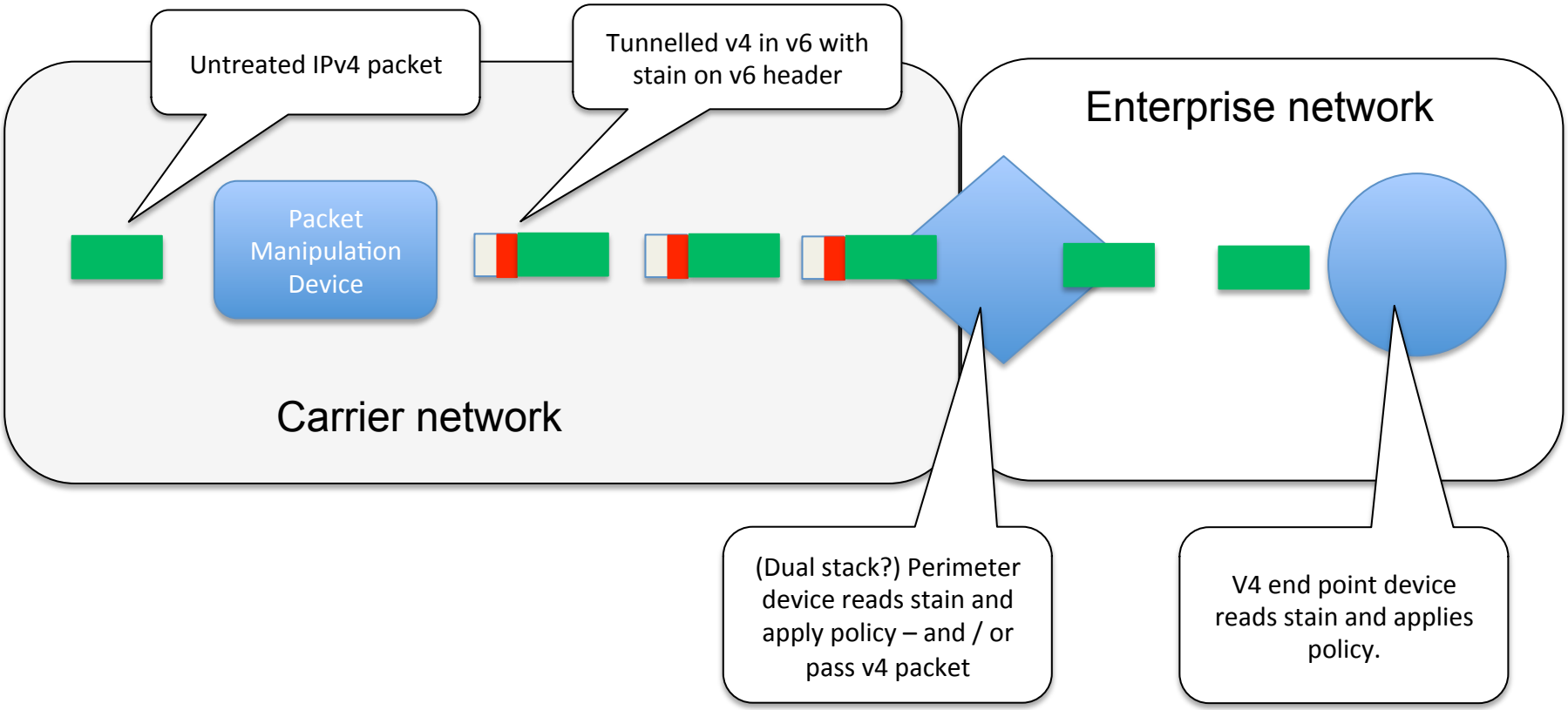
Multi-layers (5+):

DDOS protection
Firewall and AV (network)
Firewall and AV (multi-endpoint)
IDS / IPS
Network Access Control
Time Source
Hardened DNS / DHCP
Secure Event Management
Encrypted desktop
Whitelisting

Advanced Persistent Threat (APT)

Business Data risk
= reputation risk
= compliance risk
= financial risks
= intellectual property risks

IPv4-support concept of operations



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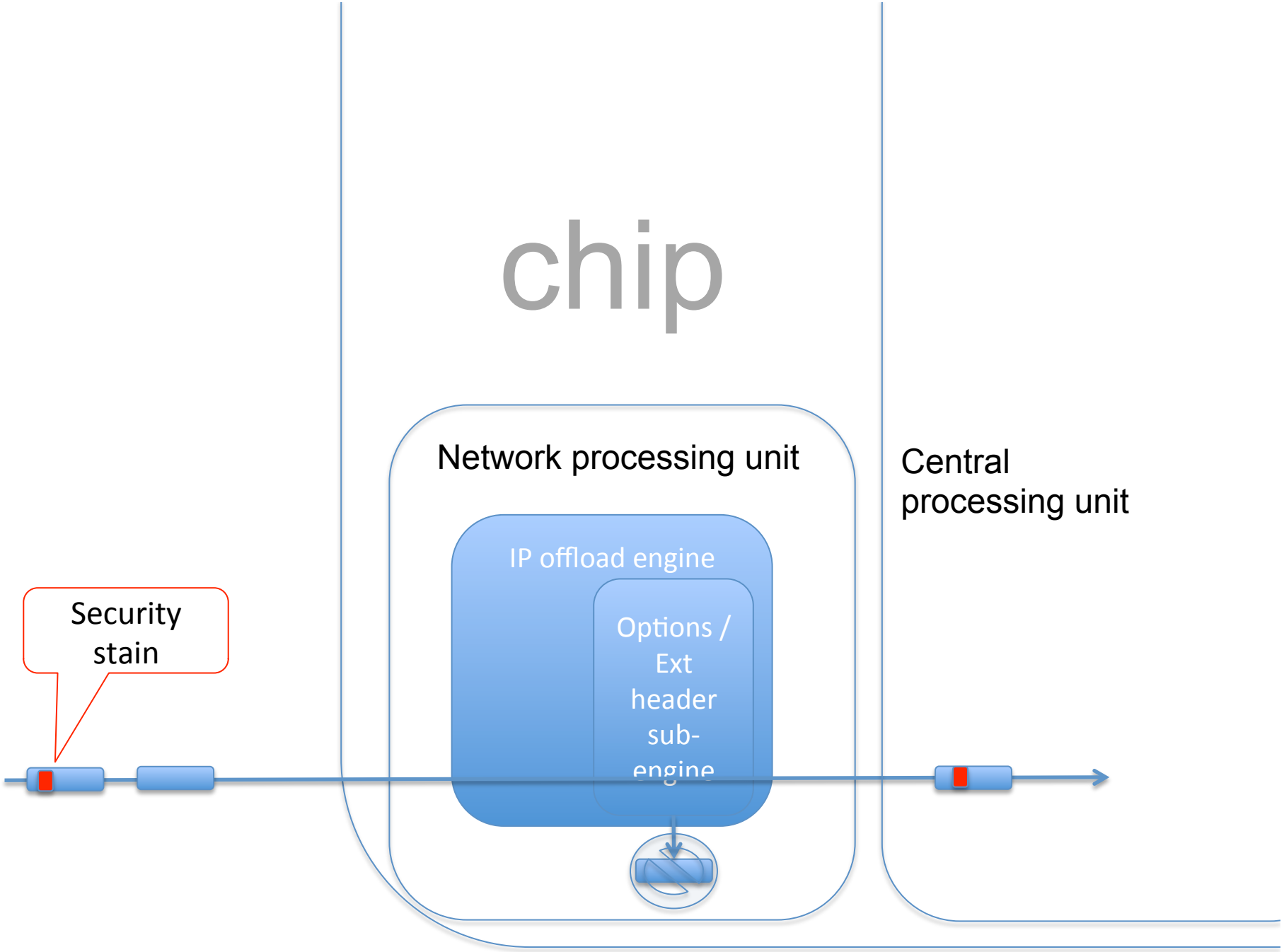
IANA Option Types required

Option types are set by IANA and are 8 bits. Example of required staining option type below.

	Un-signed	Signed
Reputation stain	nnnnnn00	nnnnnn01
Reputation stain + URL	nnnnnn10	nnnnnn11


chip
Network processing unit
Central processing unit
IP offload engine
Options / Ext header sub-engine
Security stain

Use-cases (under development)

- Use case
  - Mobile devices roaming on the internet
  - Closed networks with admin error
  - Mesh networks with admin error
  - Closed networks with USB bots
  - Q: what is a vendor device stains on the way out? Is there an B2B staining processes? Will the carrier PMD over-write? – needs to be part of RFC.

Reputation algorithm requirements

- Out of scope for RFC – can be vendor specific
- <<To be developed>> Minimum requirements for staining algorithm: Whitepaper in Q1 2012

Threat Intelligence distribution