



# Cisco Self Defending Network



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# Why Cisco?

## We Are Committed to Security

- Product and Technology Innovation
  - \$500M in Security R&D Investment
  - 1500 security-focused engineers
  - Eight acquisitions added to our solution portfolio in last two years
  - 64+ NAC partners worked collaboratively with us to deliver an unprecedented security vision
- Responsible Leadership
  - NIAC Vulnerability Framework Committee
  - Critical Infrastructure Assurance Group
  - PSIRT—responsible disclosure
  - MySDN.com—intelligence and best practices sharing



**“ Because the network is a strategic customer asset, the protection of its business-critical applications and resources is a top priority.”**

John Chambers,  
CEO, Cisco Systems®

# Security Acquisitions



2004, DDOS Protection



2004, Security Mgmt.



2004, SSL VPN Client



2004, NAC addition



2003, HIPS



2004, Event Correlation MARS



2002, CTR (Technology)



2005, Customer Advocacy



2001, VPN (Technology)



2005, VPN Technology



2000, VPN (Enterprise)



2005, Application-Acceleration and Security



2000, VPN (SP)



2006



2006



1998, IDS



2007, Messaging and Web Security Appliance



1995, PIX

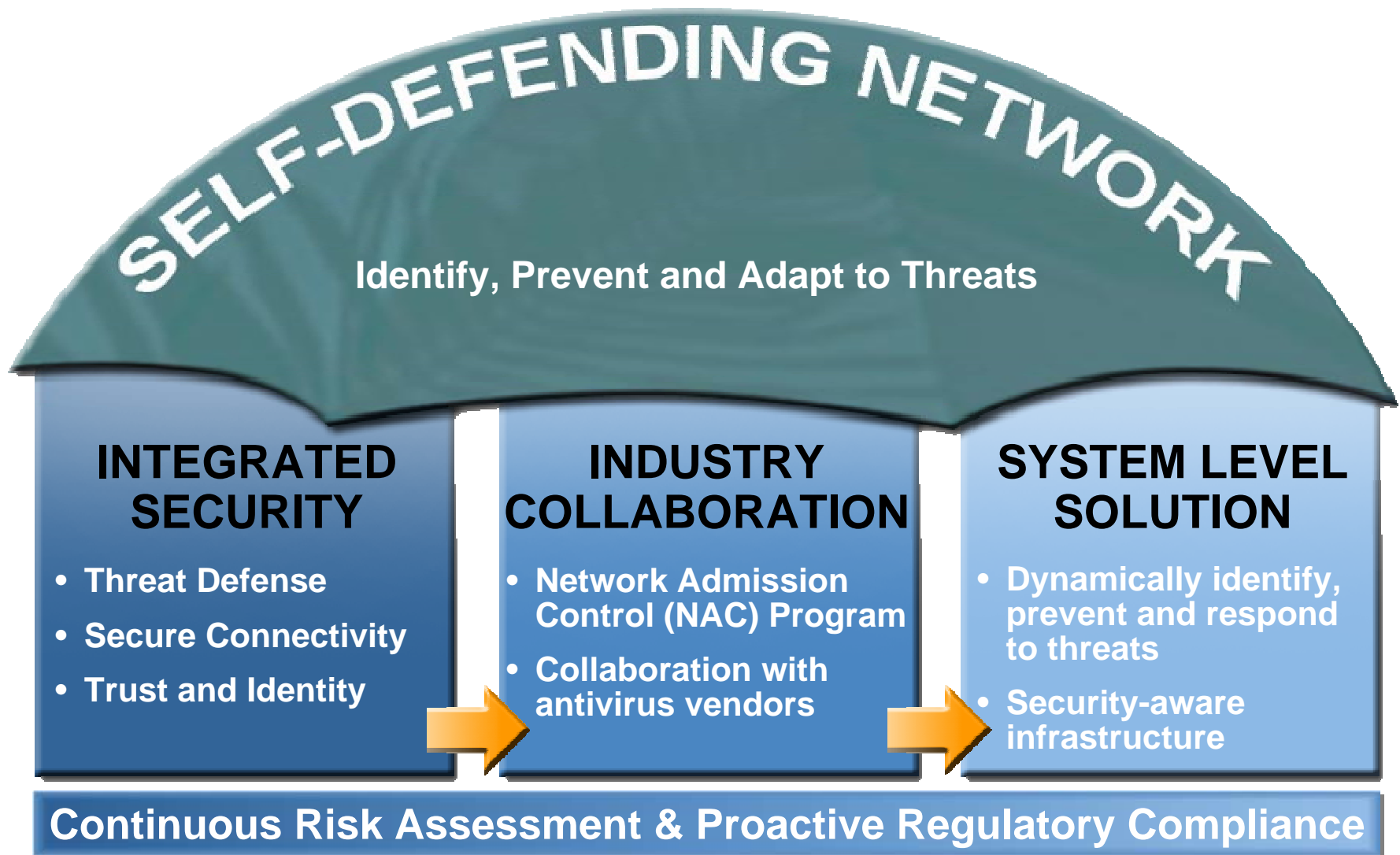


2007, XML Firewall

# Security Product Portfolio

<b>Integrated Services Router</b>						
	<b>800</b>	<b>1800</b>	<b>2800</b>	<b>3800</b>	<b>7000</b>	
<b>ASA Security appliance</b>						
	<b>5505</b>	<b>5510</b>	<b>5520</b>	<b>5540</b>	<b>5550</b>	<b>5580</b>
<b>Intrusion Prevention System (IPS) Appliances</b>						
	<b>4215</b>	<b>4240</b>	<b>4255</b>	<b>4260</b>	<b>4270</b>	
<b>Email and WEB Security Appliances</b>	 <b>Ironport C-Series</b>		 <b>Ironport S-Series</b>		 <b>POSTX</b>	
<b>Anomaly Detection and Mitigation Appliances</b>	 <b>XT 5600</b>		 <b>XT 5650</b>			
<b>Catalyst® 6500 Series Service Modules and Data Center Security</b>	 <b>Firewall</b>	 <b>VPN</b>	 <b>IPS</b>	 <b>Anomaly Guard, Detector</b>	 <b>ACE</b>	 <b>ACE XML Gateway</b>
<b>Endpoint Protection</b>	 <b>Security Agent</b>		 <b>NAC Appliance: Clean Access</b>		 <b>CSACS &amp; Meetinghouse</b>	
<b>Security Management</b>	 <b>CSM</b>	 <b>MARS</b>		 <b>Device Manager</b>	 <b>Network Compliance Manager</b>	

# Cisco Self-Defending Network



# SDN Architectural Philosophy

- Technologies must span network from end-to-end including endpoints
  - Different elements have a larger or smaller role in specific locations
- Communication among devices is key to increasing contextual awareness of security entities
  - Host to network communication is critical step
- Support existing standards where mature (IPsec) and innovate where required (NAC)
- Defense-in-depth is key, each threat type needs more than one point of mitigation

***Goal is a network security architecture greater than the sum of its parts***

# SDN = Self-Defending Network – “The Ability for the Network to Identify, Adapt & Respond to Threats”

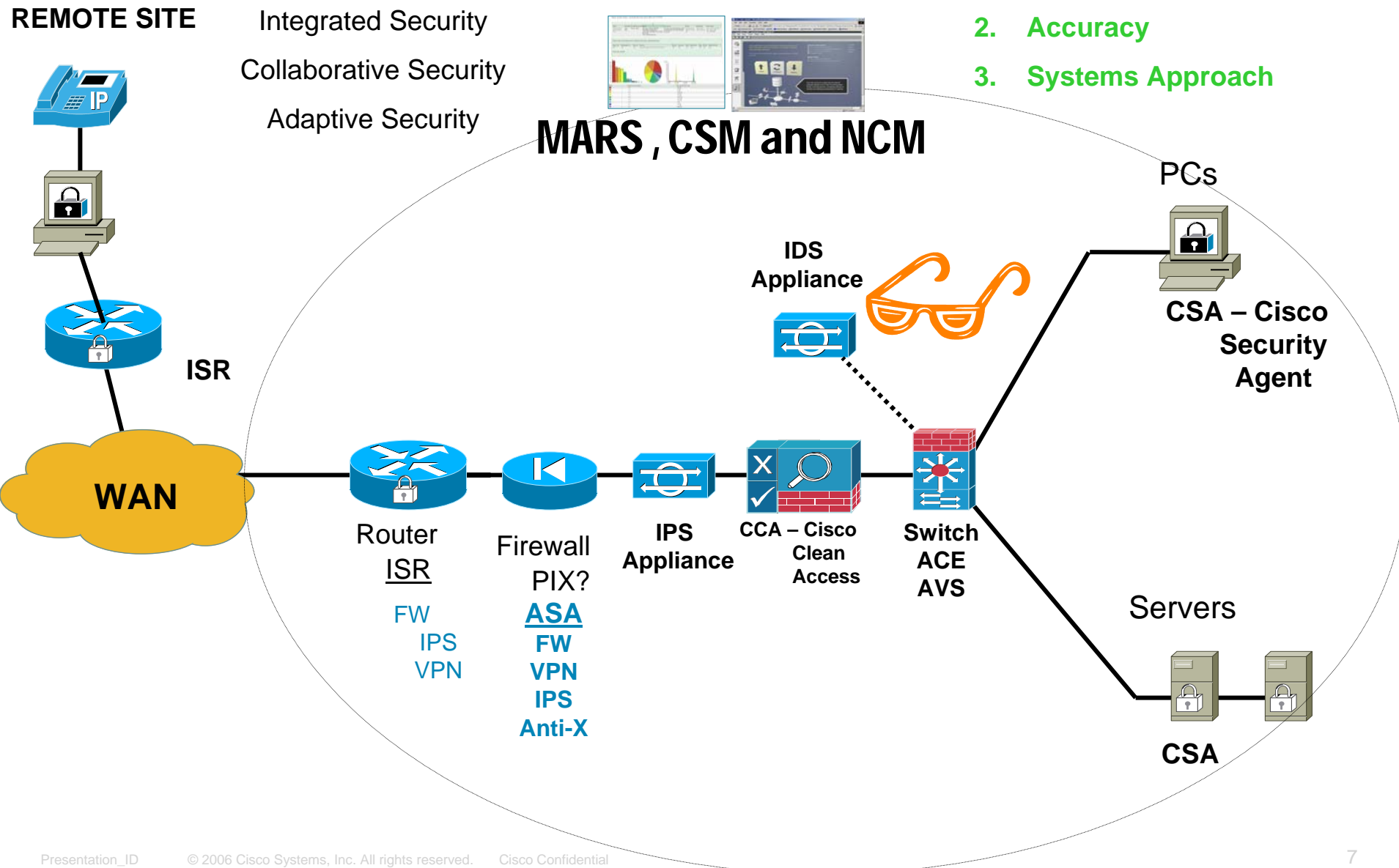
## 3 Pillars of SDN:

- Integrated Security
- Collaborative Security
- Adaptive Security

## Goal: Stop Bad Stuff.

### 3 Requirements:

1. Transparency
2. Accuracy
3. Systems Approach



# Properties of a Self-Defending Network



**E-Commerce**



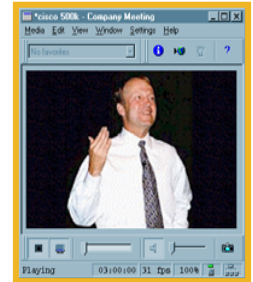
**Supply-Chain  
Management**



**Customer  
Care**



**Workforce  
Optimization**



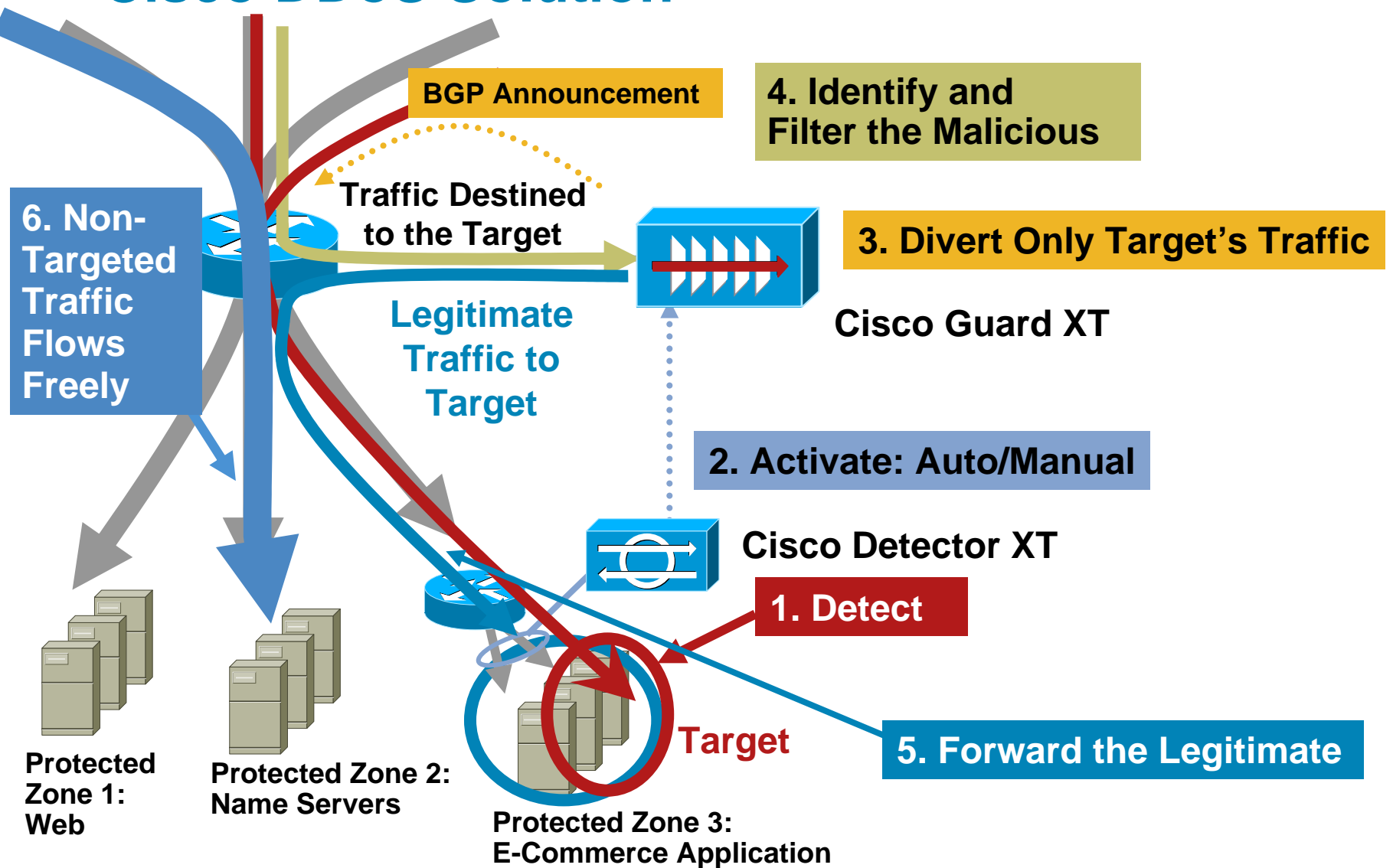
**E-Learning**

- *Network Availability*: remain active when under attack
- *Ubiquitous Access*: provide secure access from any location
- *Admission Control*: authenticate all users, devices, and their posture
- *Application Intelligence*: extend application visibility controls into the network
- *Day-Zero Protection*: ensure endpoints are immune to new threats
- *Infection Containment*: rapidly identify & contain virulent attacks

# Network Availability

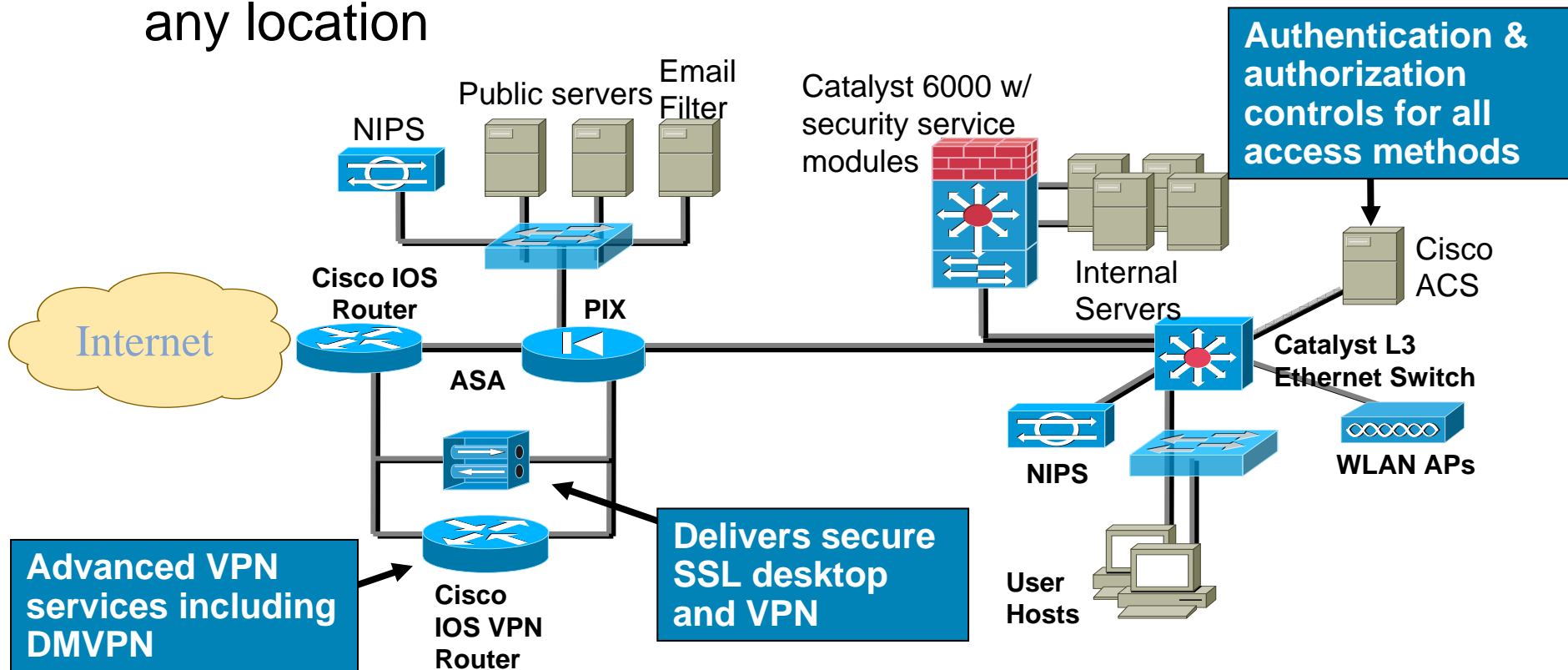
- **Traditional issue:** attacks consume bandwidth, endpoint, and control plane resources
- **SDN solution:** use anomaly guards, QoS, dynamic NIPS and firewall controls and CSA to protect these resources

# Infection Containment Cisco DDoS Solution



# Ubiquitous Access

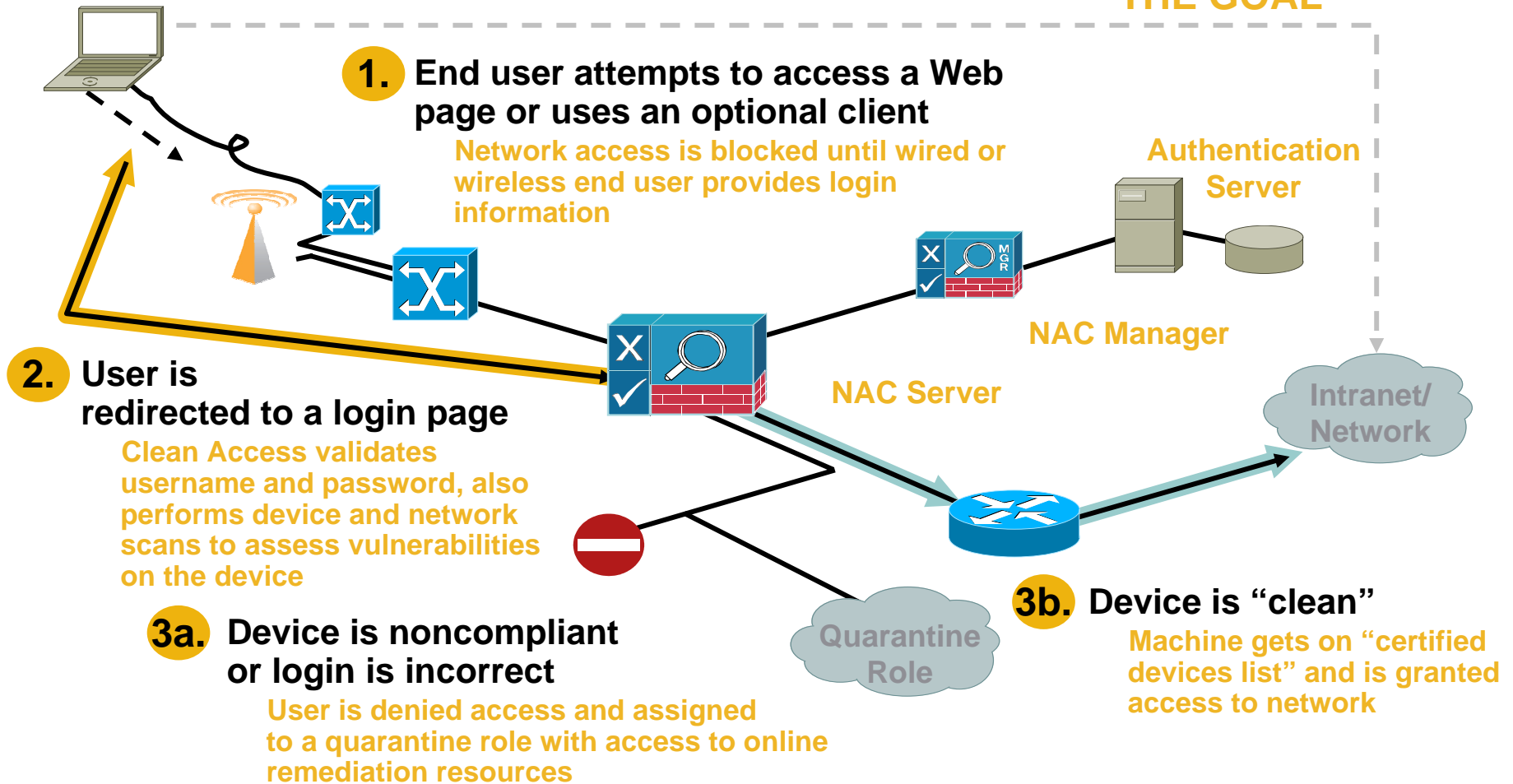
- **Traditional issue:** access is arbitrarily open or restrictive
- **SDN Solution:** use authentication, privacy, and isolation facilities to provide secure access for any device from any location





# Network Admission Control

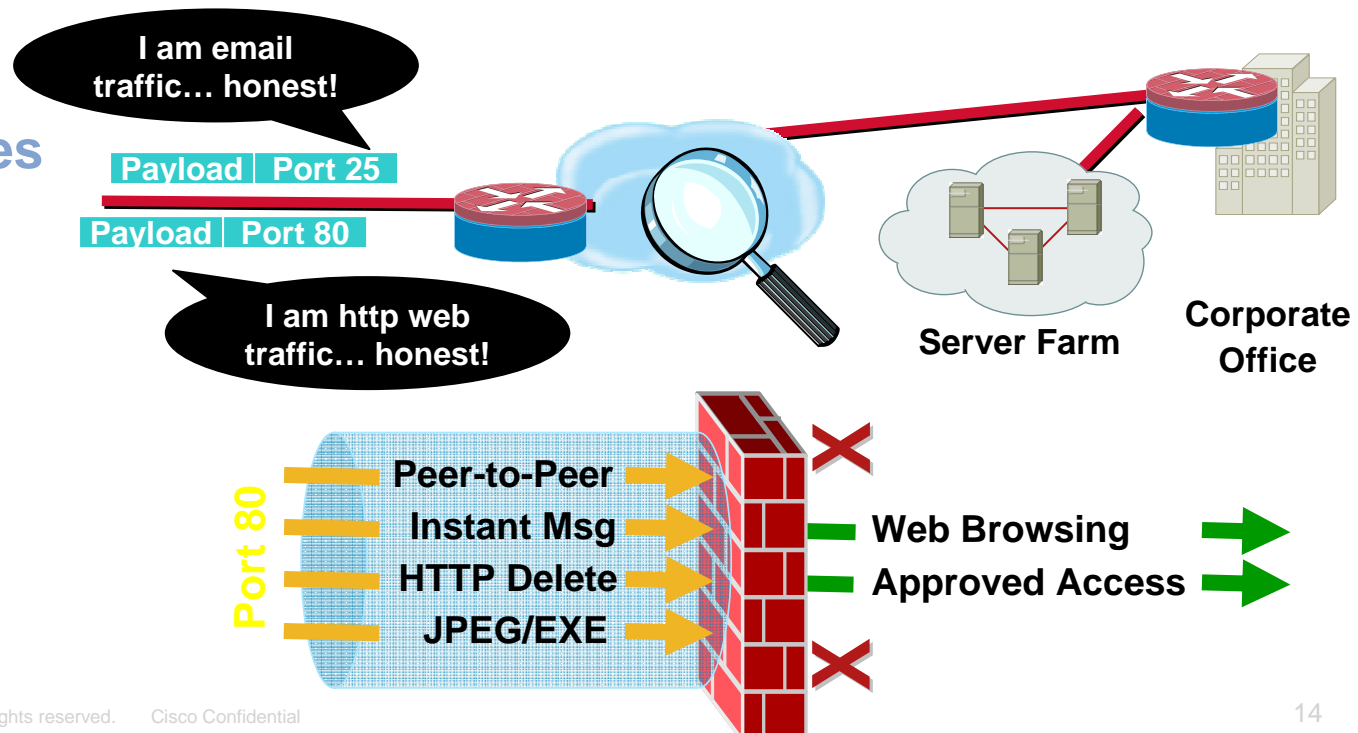
## THE GOAL



# Application Intelligence

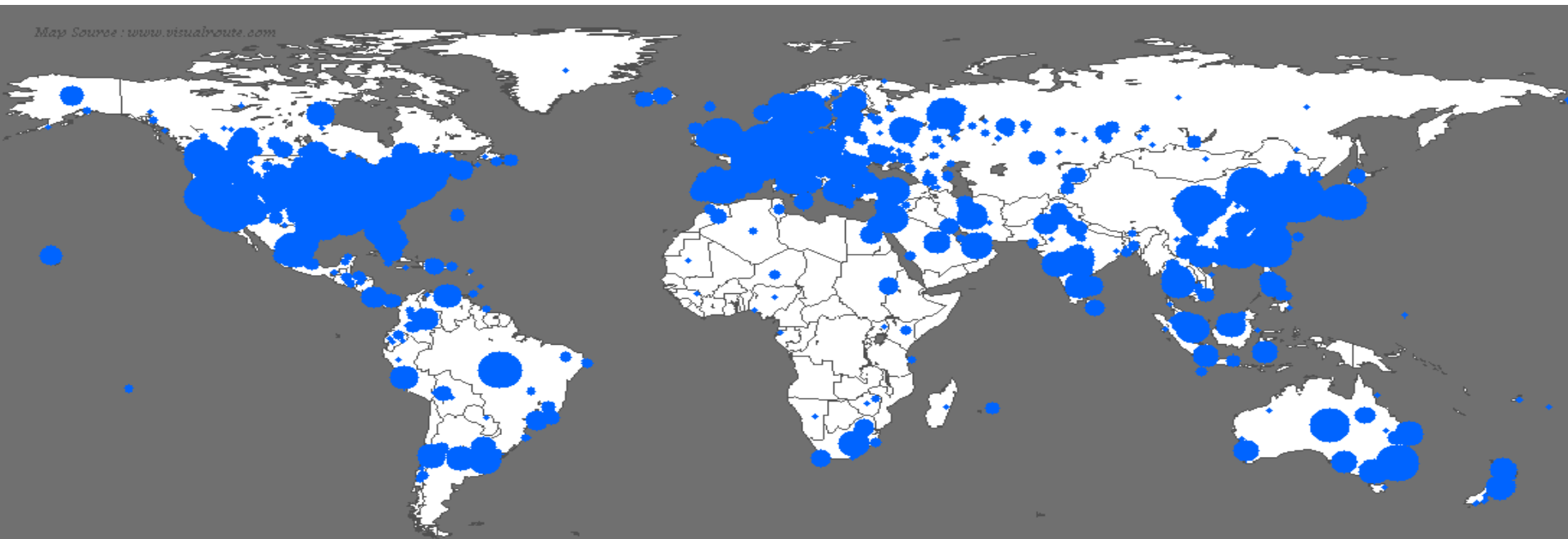
- **Traditional issue:** difficult to obtain and control application communication flows in a network
- **SDN Solution:** associates packets to applications, provides control mechanisms to enforce security policies

## Inspection Engines in Ironport Appliance



# Day-Zero Protection

- **Traditional issue:** vulnerable to day-zero attacks, often resource intensive patching effort
- **SDN Solution:** assets protected against new and unknown attacks via behavioral-based technology



# Day Zero Protection

- Cisco defines Host-Based Intrusion Prevention as **the ability to stop day zero malicious code without reconfiguration or update.**
- CSA has the industry's best record of stopping Zero Day exploits, worms, and viruses over past 4 years:
  - 2001 – Code Red, Nimda (all 5 exploits), Pentagone (Gonner)
  - 2002 – Sircam, Debplot, SQL Snake, Bugbear,
  - 2003 – SQL Slammer, So Big, Blaster/Welchia, Fizzer
  - 2004 – MyDoom, Bagle, Sasser, JPEG browser exploit (MS04-028), RPC-DCOM exploit (MS03-039), Buffer Overflow in Workstation service (MS03-049)
  - 2005 – Internet Explorer Command Execution Vulnerability
- No reconfiguration of the CSA default configuration, or update to the CSA binaries were required

# Infection Containment

- **Traditional issue:** isolating and dampening effects of outbreaks is a difficult, manual, time and resource intensive process
- **SDN Solution:** rapid visibility of infected systems, system-wide isolation and response controls

