



Integrated Security Incident Management

Concepts & Real world experiences

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Who we are?



- ❑ DC for Munich's HEIs
- ❑ Operation of Munich scientific network (MWN)

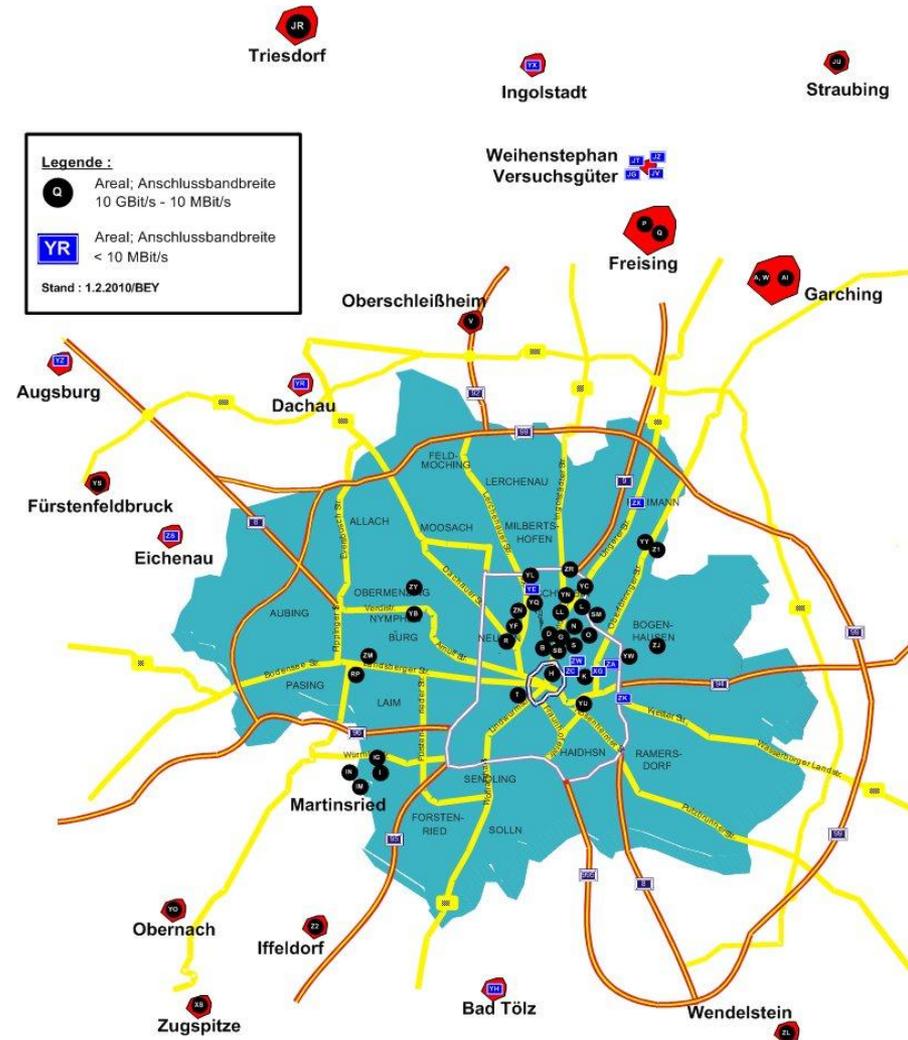


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Munich scientific network (MWN) Facts



- ❑ 120.000 users
- ❑ ~ 80.000 devices
- ❑ Decentral administration and responsibility



Attacker's motivation to attack HEIs



- ❑ Stealing data
 - Personal data of students and employees
 - E-Mail-Adresses
 - Personnel numbers
 - Research results, ...
- ❑ High bandwidth internet link (spam-sending, (D)DoS)

DoS activity outgoing

Timestamp (1 hour): 04:13:16 15.04.2011

129.xxx.xx.xxx: In : 303995 Bytes, Out : 688564204 Bytes

Our definition of a security incident



□ Definition ISO/IEC 27001:

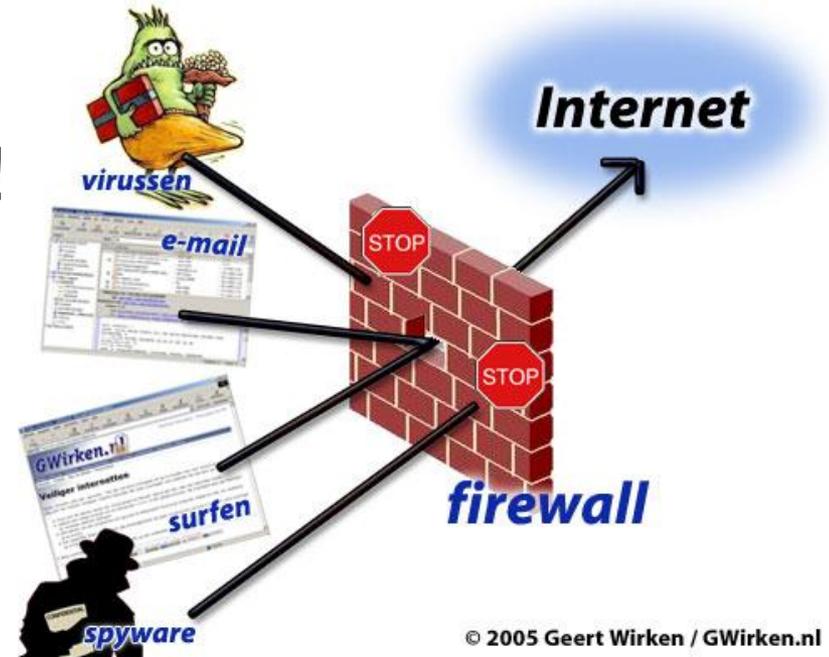
A *Security incident* is an event, which has a negative effect on security, especially on confidentiality, data integrity and availability of information.

□ Security monitoring at LRZ:

- External → Internal (attacks against internal systems)
- Internal → External (compromised internal systems)

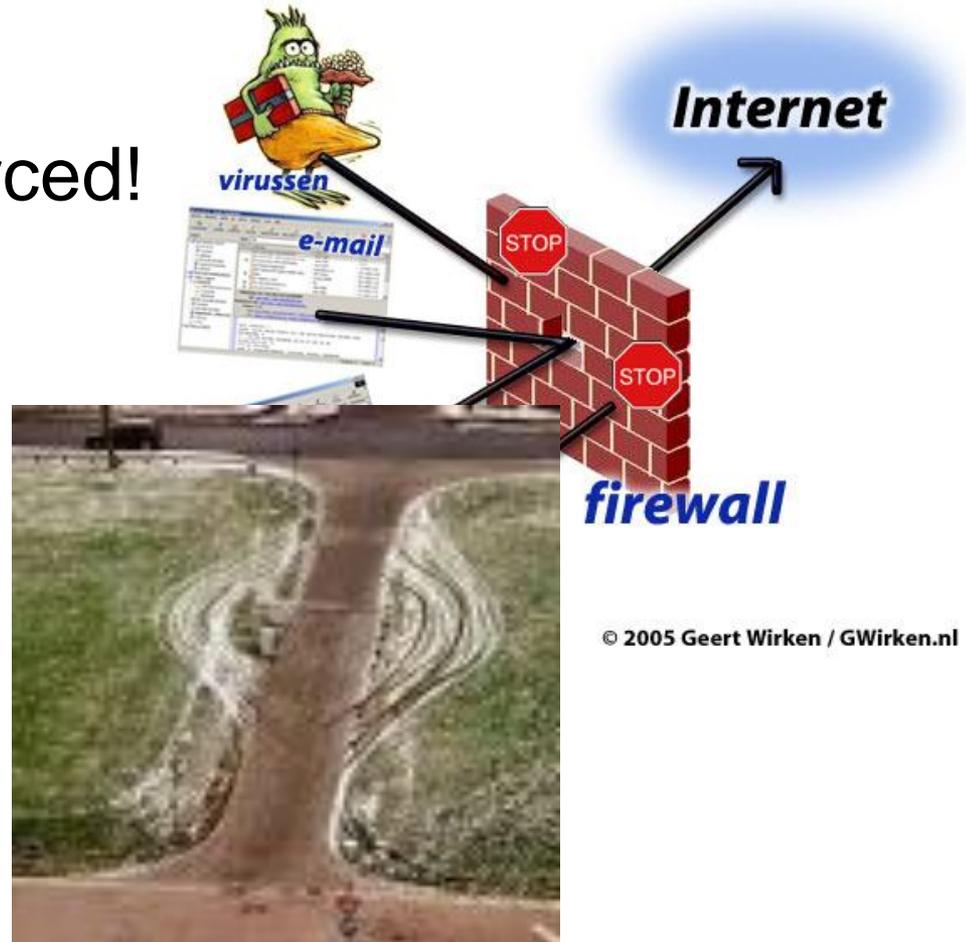
Common countermeasures

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- ❑ Intrusion Detection / Prevention systems



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Only preventive security controls are insufficient and couldn't be forced!

- ❑ Firewalls
- ❑ Intrusion Detection / Prevention systems



firewall

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Integrated and reactive response



Our goals:

- Structured, coordinated workflow!
- Defined responsibilities and tasks
- automated response capabilities

Integrated and reactive response



Security incident response process (SIR process)

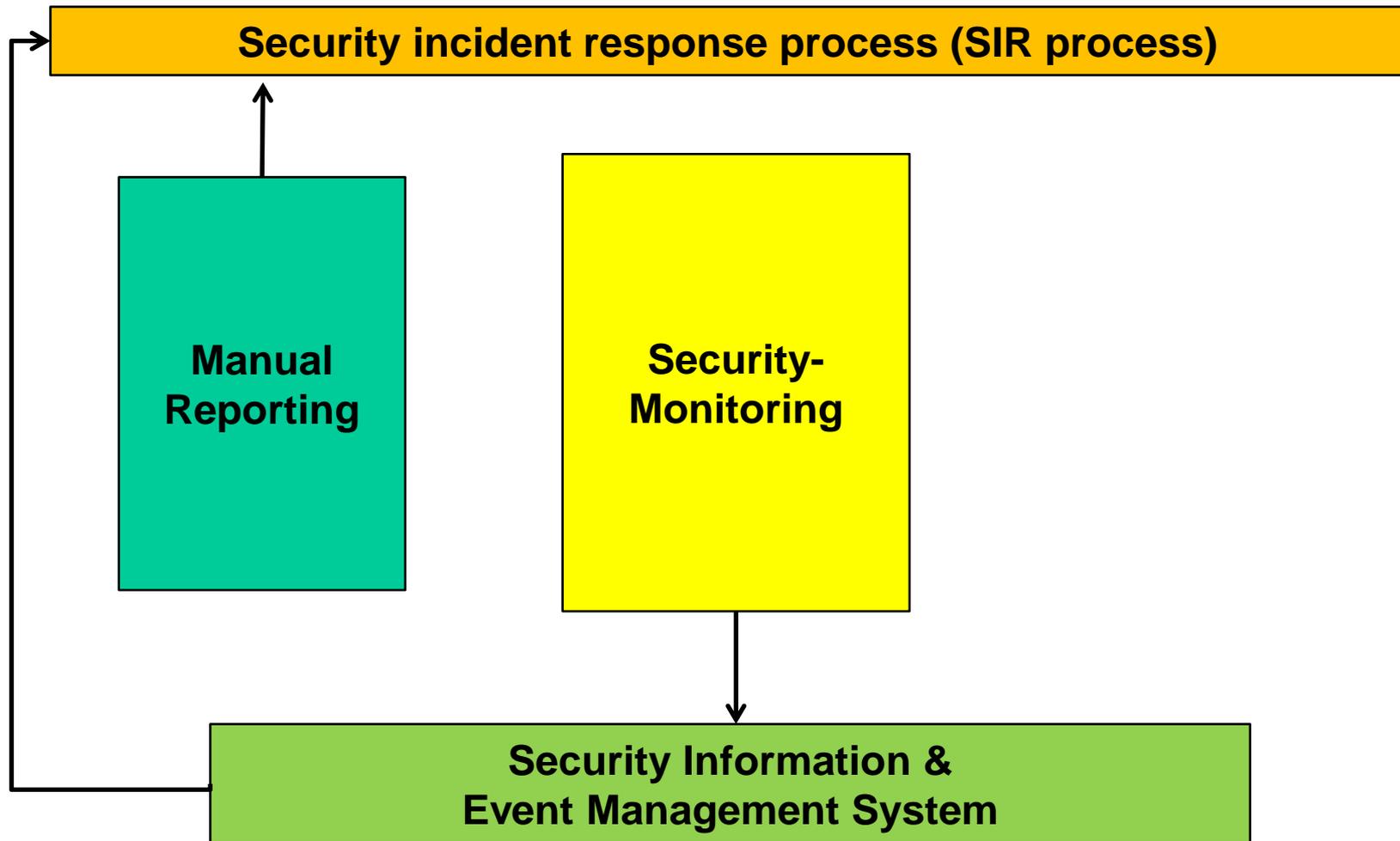
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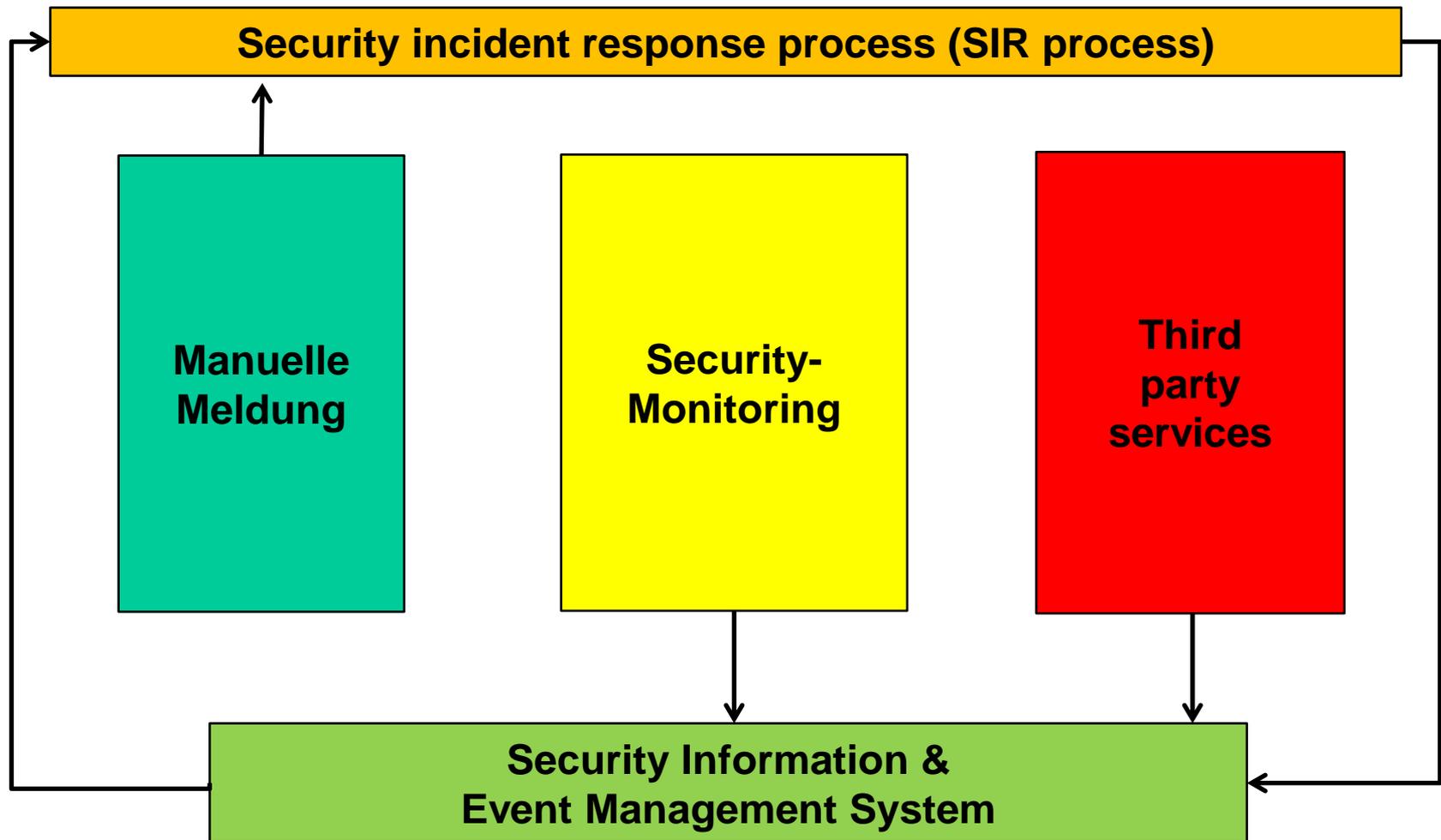
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**Manual
Reporting**

Integrated and reactive response



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Tool based security monitoring



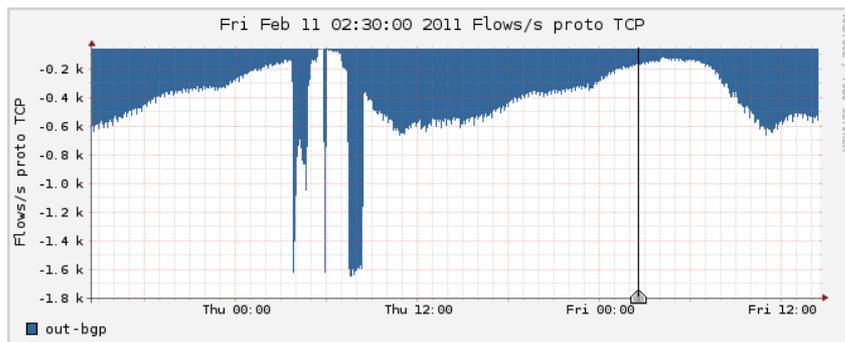
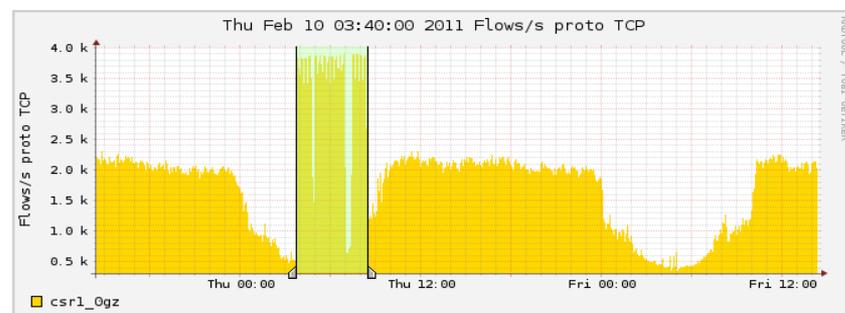
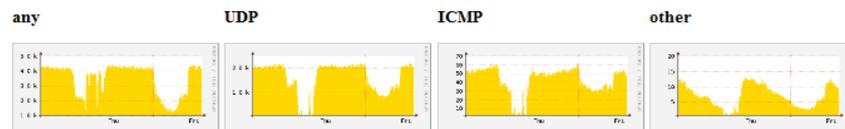
SNORT IDS



NfSEN (Netflow)

Accounting
(SPAM senders, DoS)

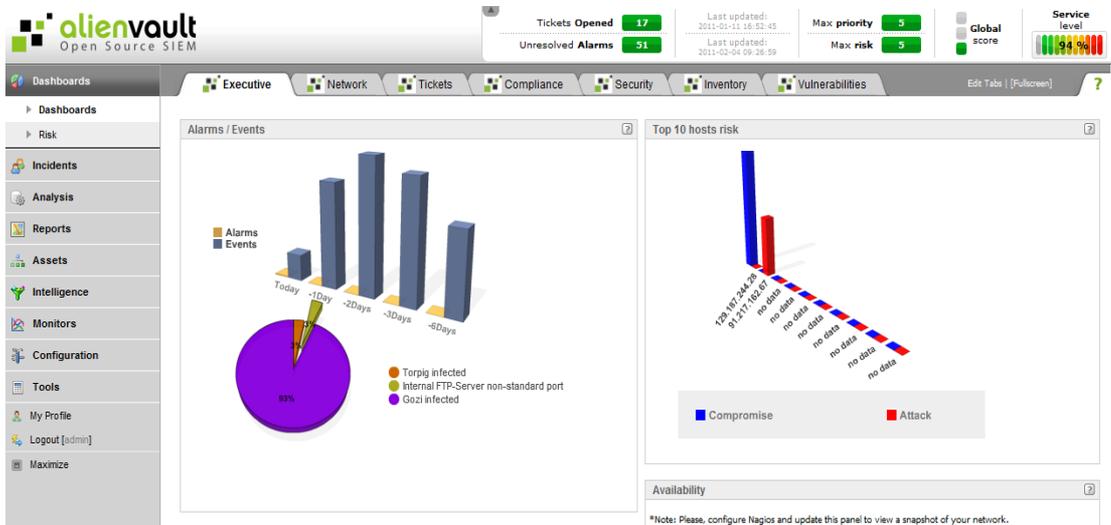
NAT-o-MAT / Secomat



Security Information & Event Management (SIEM)



Open Source SIM (OSSIM)



Dashboards

Reporting

Event correlation

Automated responses

Security Information & Event Management (SIEM)



Integrated sorting and filtering functions



Open Source SIM (OSSIM)

- unique events
- source- / destination (ip or port)
- time window

The screenshot displays the Alienvault OSSIM search interface. It includes a search bar with a 'Search' button and filters for 'IP', 'Signature', and 'Payload'. Below the search bar are fields for 'Sensor', 'Data Sources', and 'Risk'. A 'Time frame selection' dropdown is set to 'Today'. The 'Current Search Criteria' section shows a search for 'Signature " snort: "ET TROJAN Downadup/Conficker A or B Worm reporting"' with a time filter 'time >= [06 / 22 / 2010]'. The 'Summary Statistics' table shows 14 unique addresses. The main table below lists source IP addresses, sensor IDs, total event counts, unique event counts, and destination addresses.

Src IP address	Sensor #	Total #	Unique Events	Dest. Addr.
138.246.2.108	1	624	1	14

DFN CSIRT services

Automated security warnings



- Sensors at DFN CSIRT
- Suspicious ip addresses are reported to DFN facilities

Message:

IP	Message typ	last seen
129.xxx.xxx.xxx	Bot	2011-02-12 14:06:03 GMT+0100

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Details:

System: 129.xxx.xxx.xxx

Message typ: Bot

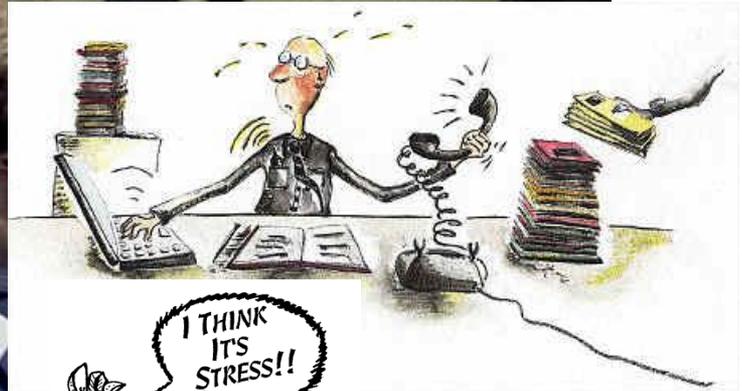
Timestamp: 2011-02-12 14:06:03 GMT+0100 >

Protocol	Src port	Dst port	malware typ	Timestamp(GMT+0000)
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unbekannt		6667	unbekannt	2011-02-12 11:06:03
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After a security incident has occurred ...

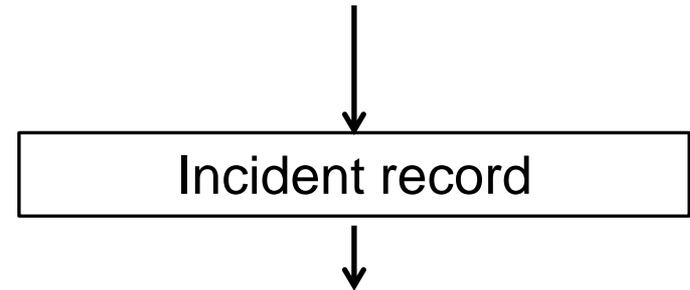


Security incident response process

Incident record



- What happened?**
- On which system?**
- Who is responsible for this system?**
- When?**



Security incident response process

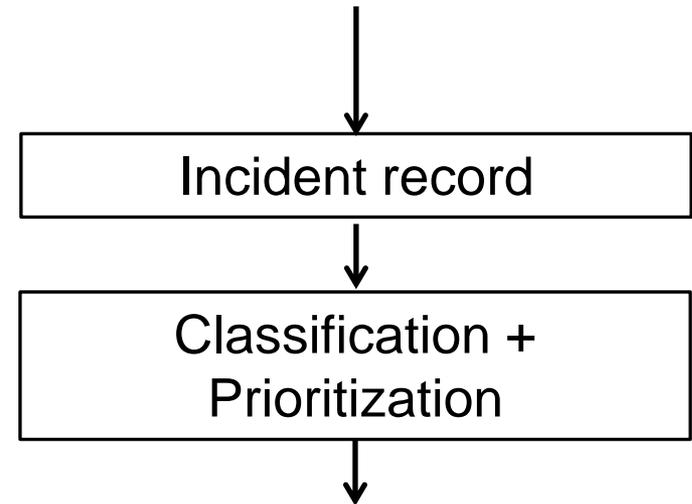
Classification + Prioritization



❑ Which type of attack?

❑ **Prioritization**

- Attacker's location?
- Victim's location?
- How many systems are affected?
- Which services are affected?



Security incident response process

Classification + Prioritization



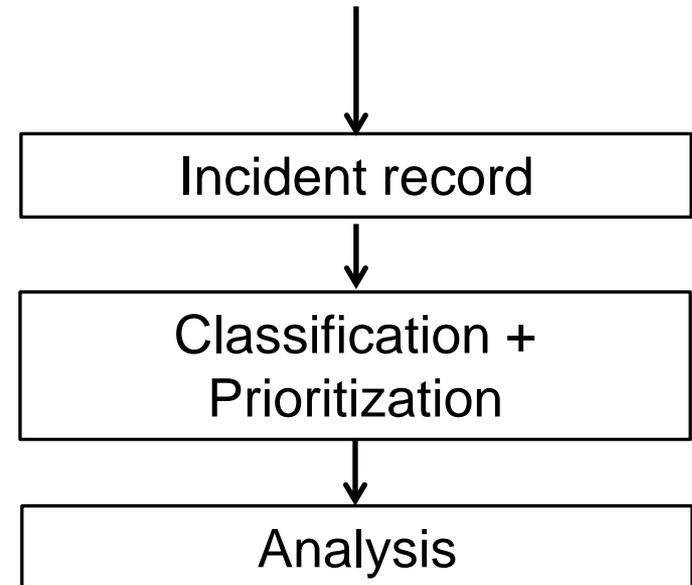
Impact/ Criteria	Low	Medium	High
Victim	external (1)	MWN or Grid (2)	LRZ internal (3)
Services, Data	not concerned (1)	MWN or Grid (2)	Important services (3)
# involved systems	1 (1)	2-3 (2)	> 3 (3)
Attacker	external (1)	MWN or Grid (2)	LRZ internal (3)

Security incident response process

Incident handling



- ❑ Standard security incident?
→ defined procedure
- ❑ First measures
- ❑ Analysis & Diagnose of compromised systems

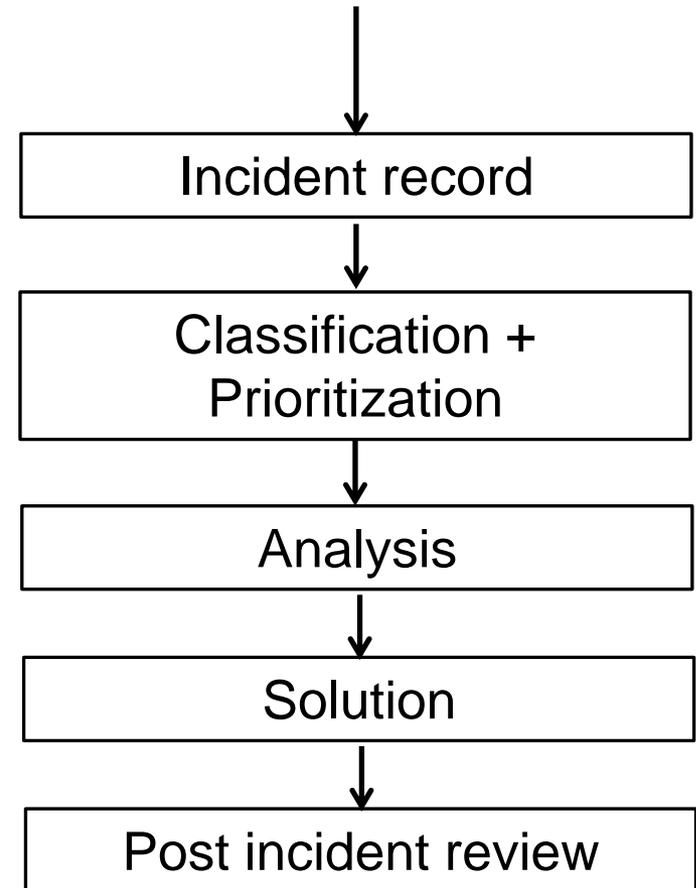


Security incident response process

Solution



- ❑ Goal: fastest possible service recovery
- ❑ Further suspicious activities?
- ❑ Post incident review meeting



Security incident response at LRZ

Example



- ❑ SNORT IDS detects events (bot c&c server traffic)
- ❑ Forwarding to central SIEM

snort: "ET DROP Known Bot C&C Server Traffic TCP (group 15) "	2011-02-12 13:05:14	129. [redacted] [German flag] [Bot icon]	194. [redacted] [Dutch flag] :6667
snort: "ET DROP Known Bot C&C Server Traffic TCP (group 15) "	2011-02-12 12:04:52	129. [redacted] [German flag] [Bot icon]	195. [redacted] [Finnish flag] :6667
snort: "ET DROP Known Bot C&C Server Traffic TCP (group 15) "	2011-02-12 11:04:40	129. [redacted] [German flag] [Bot icon]	194. [redacted] [Dutch flag] :6667
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snort: "ET DROP Known Bot C&C Server Traffic TCP (group 15) "	2011-02-12 09:02:08	129. [redacted] [German flag] [Bot icon]	194. [redacted] [Dutch flag] :6667

- ❑ Event correlation (> 5 events / 8 hours) → alerting!

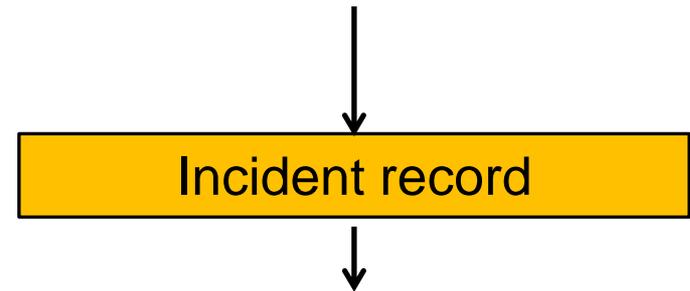
Security incident response at LRZ

Example



After the alert →

- Create security incident ticket
- Inform system administrators plus LRZ-CSIRT



Security incident response at LRZ

Example



Event: **snort: "ET DROP KNOWN BOT C&C Server Traffic TCP"**

IP address: 129.xxx.xxx.xxx

FQDN: <HOSTNAME>

Location: <building, institution, address>

Switch port:

<SWITCH-PORT DETECTION>

Source port: xxxxx

Destination ip address: 194.xxx.xxx.xxx

Destination port: 6667

Timestamp: Sat Feb 12 13:05:14 2011

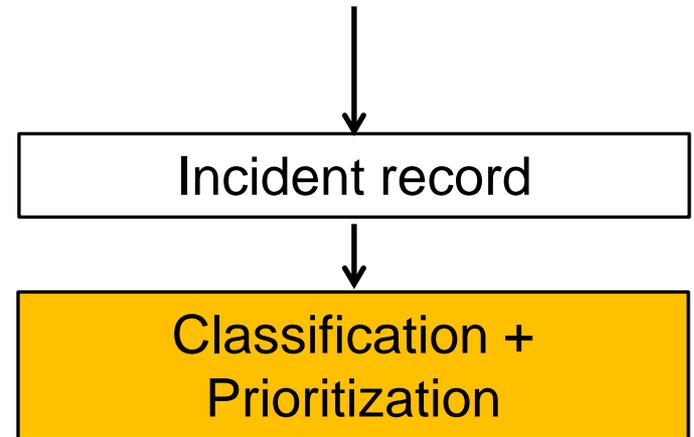
Security incident response at LRZ

Example



- ❑ **Classification:**
 - Botnet C&C-Server
 - Internal to external

- ❑ Setting priority:



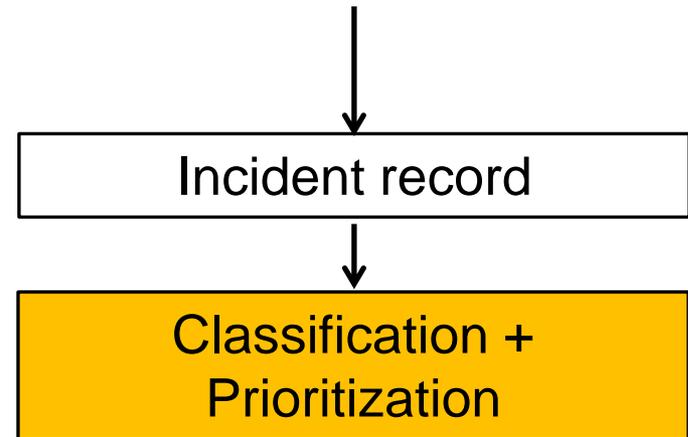
Security incident response at LRZ

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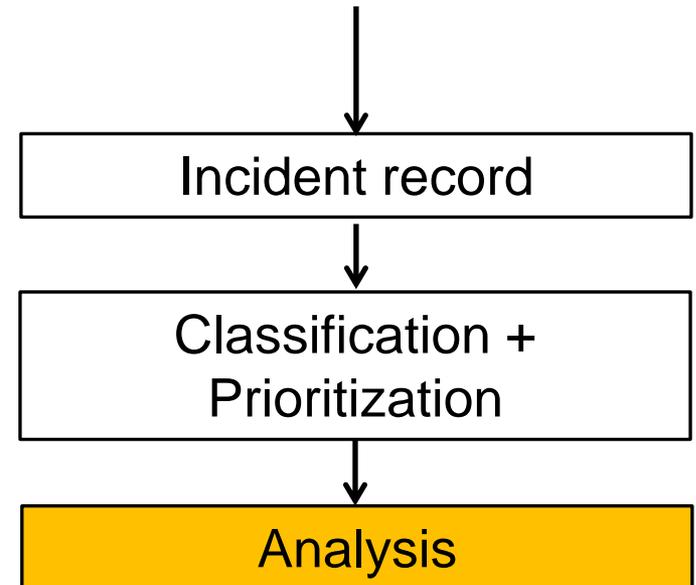
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Security incident response at LRZ

Example



DFN AW Service message:
Confirmation internal monitoring



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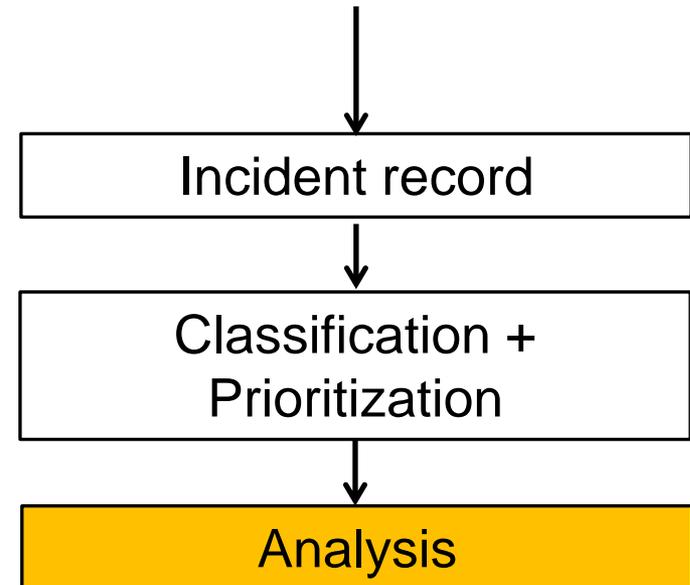
Security incident response at LRZ

Example



- ❑ **First measures:**
Disconnecting system from network

- ❑ **Analysis & Diagnose:**
 - Analyzing SIEM events
 - Analyzing logfile entries



Security incident response at LRZ

Example

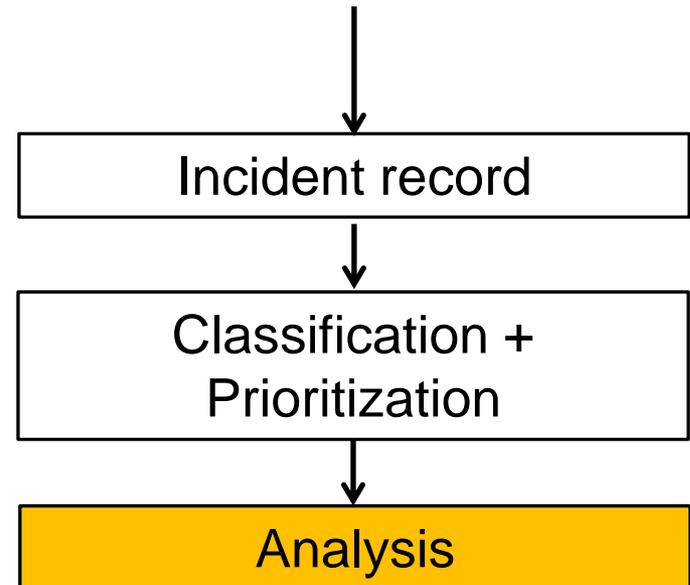


❑ Analyzing SIEM events

„External SSH-Attacker“
Destination 129.xxx.xxx.xxx

❑ Analyzing logfiles

- SSH login from external ip address
- Account „test“ weak password („test123!“)
- Root exploiting
- Installation bot software package

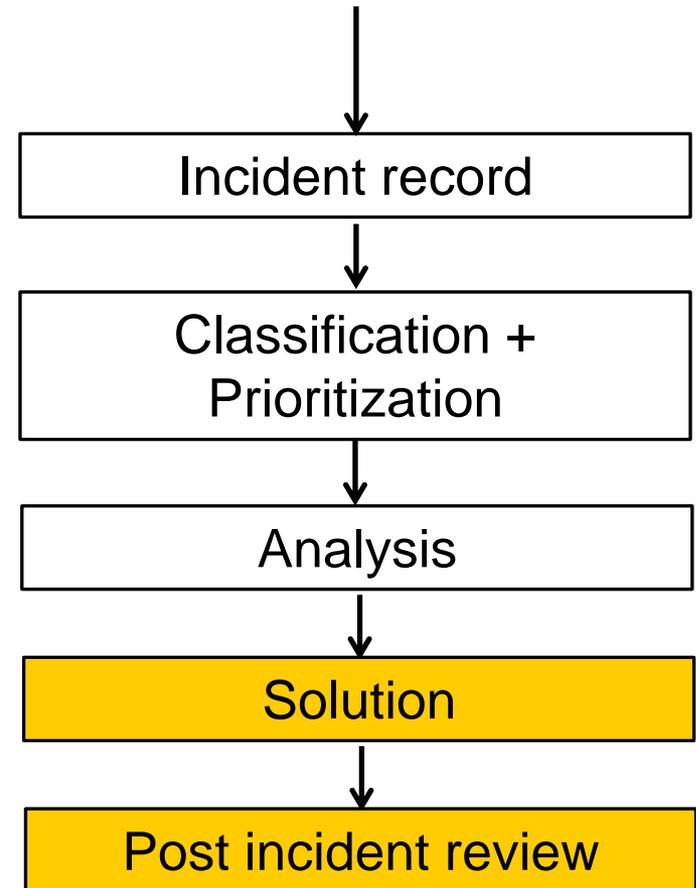


Security incident response at LRZ

Example



- ❑ **Solution:**
Re-installation including all security patches
- ❑ **Post Incident Review:**
Automated Blocking

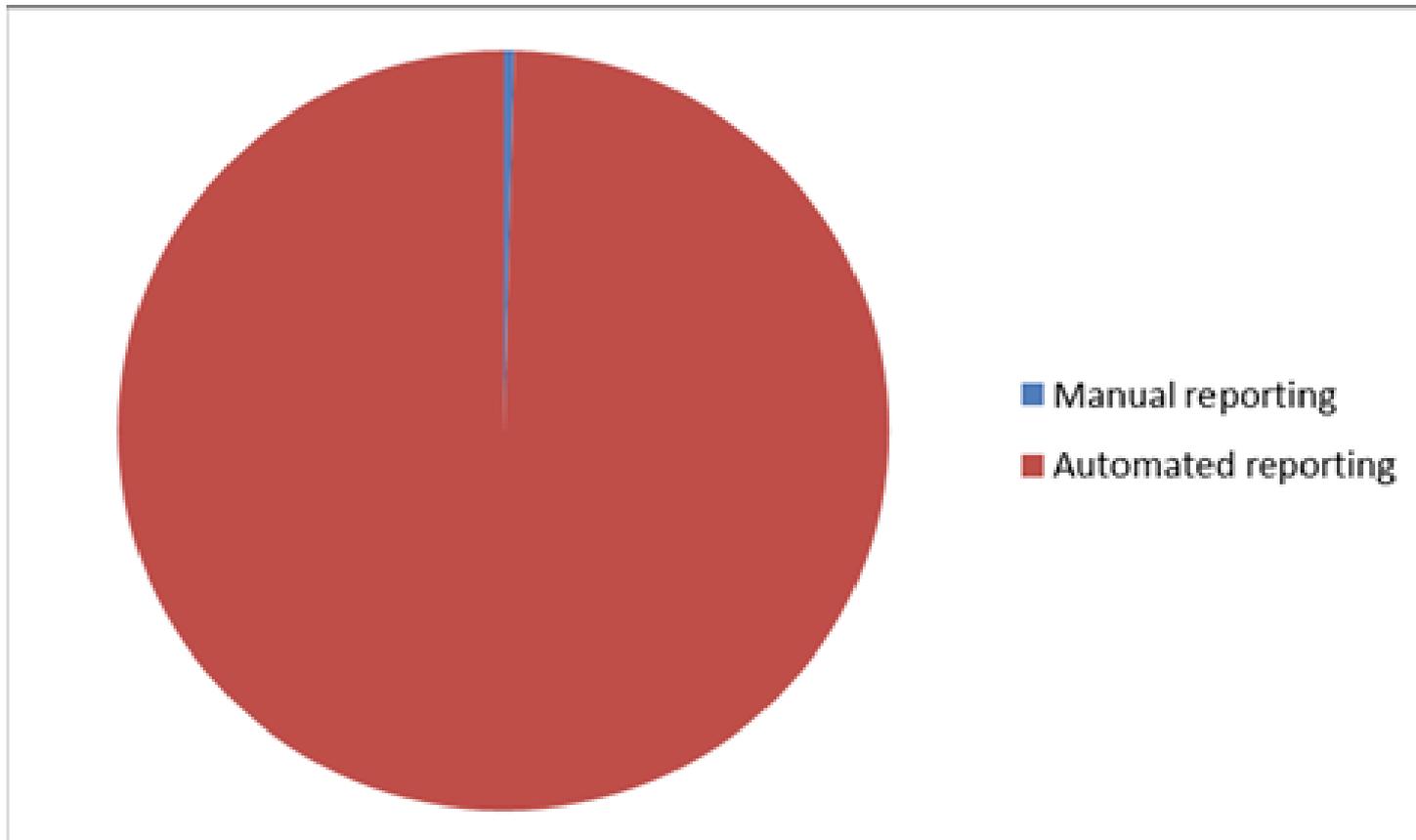


Practical experiences

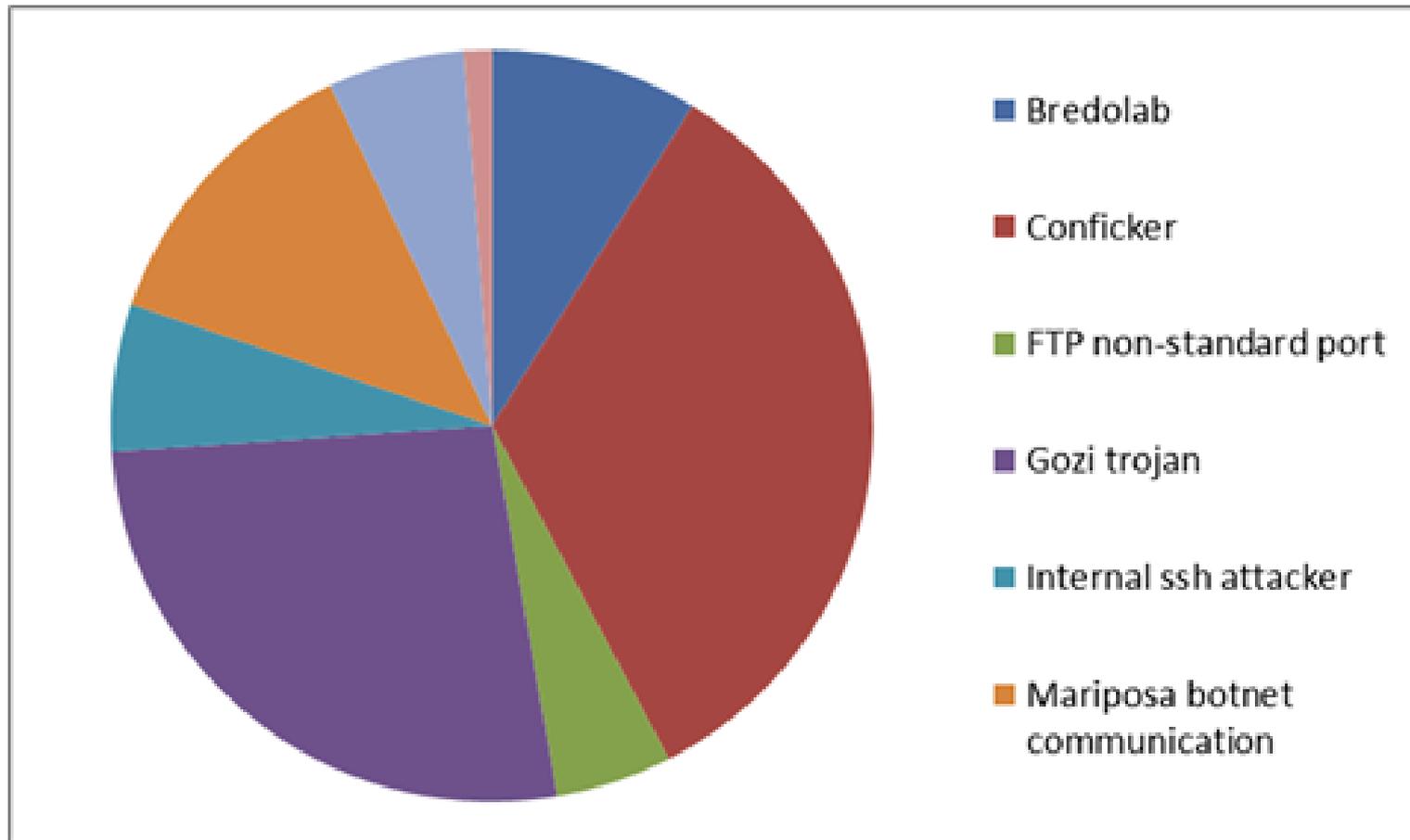


2010:

935 incidents: 99,6 % automated reporting & response!



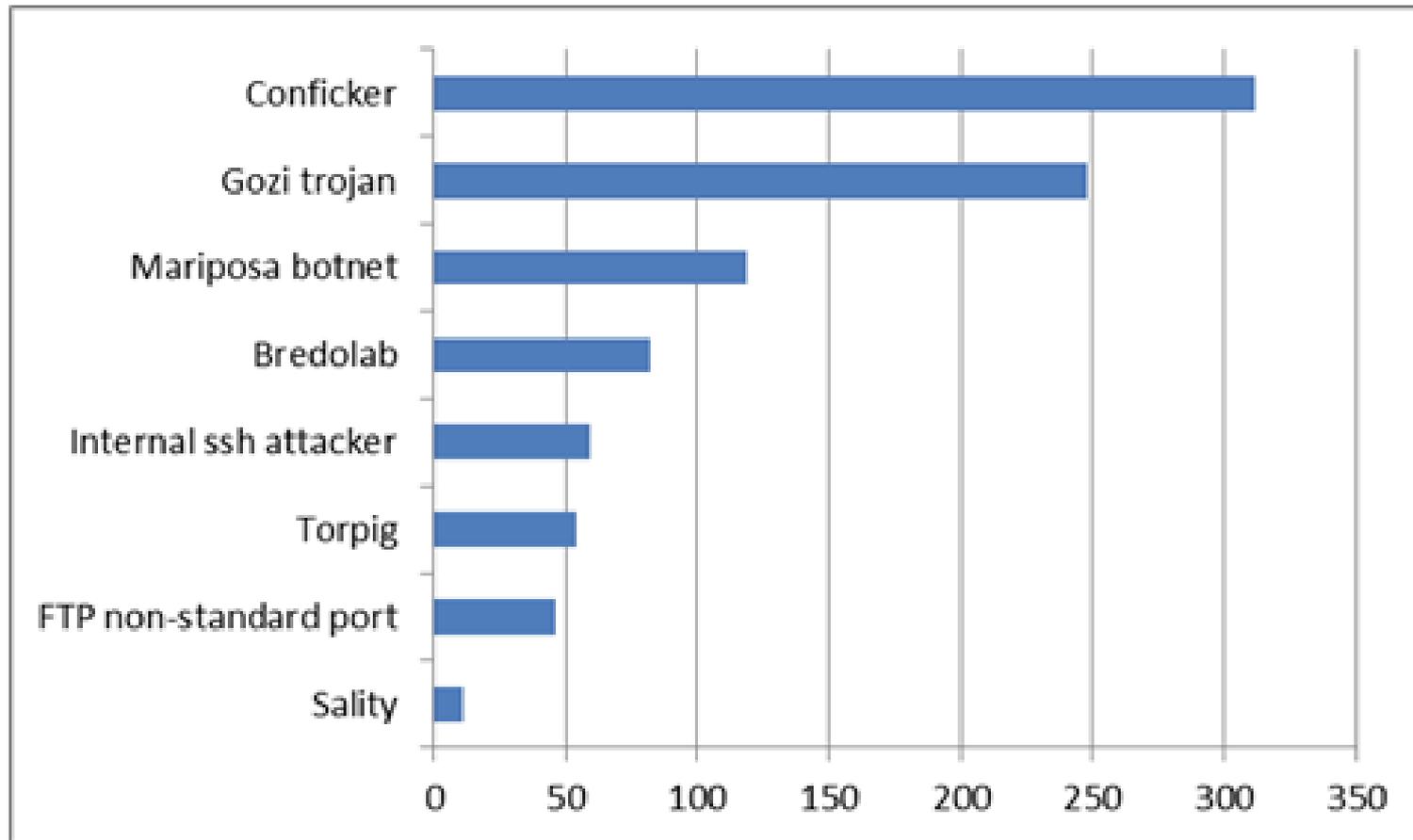
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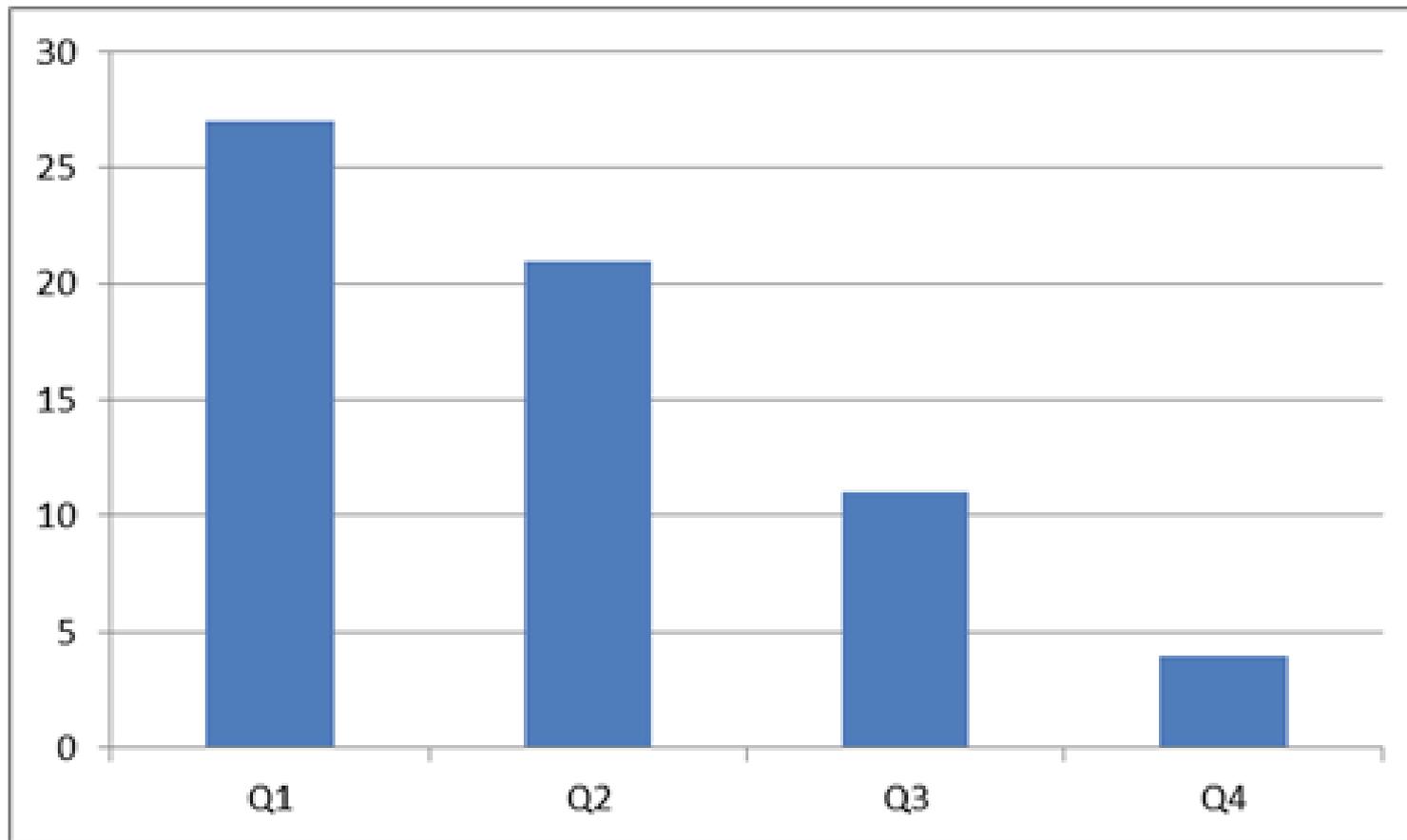
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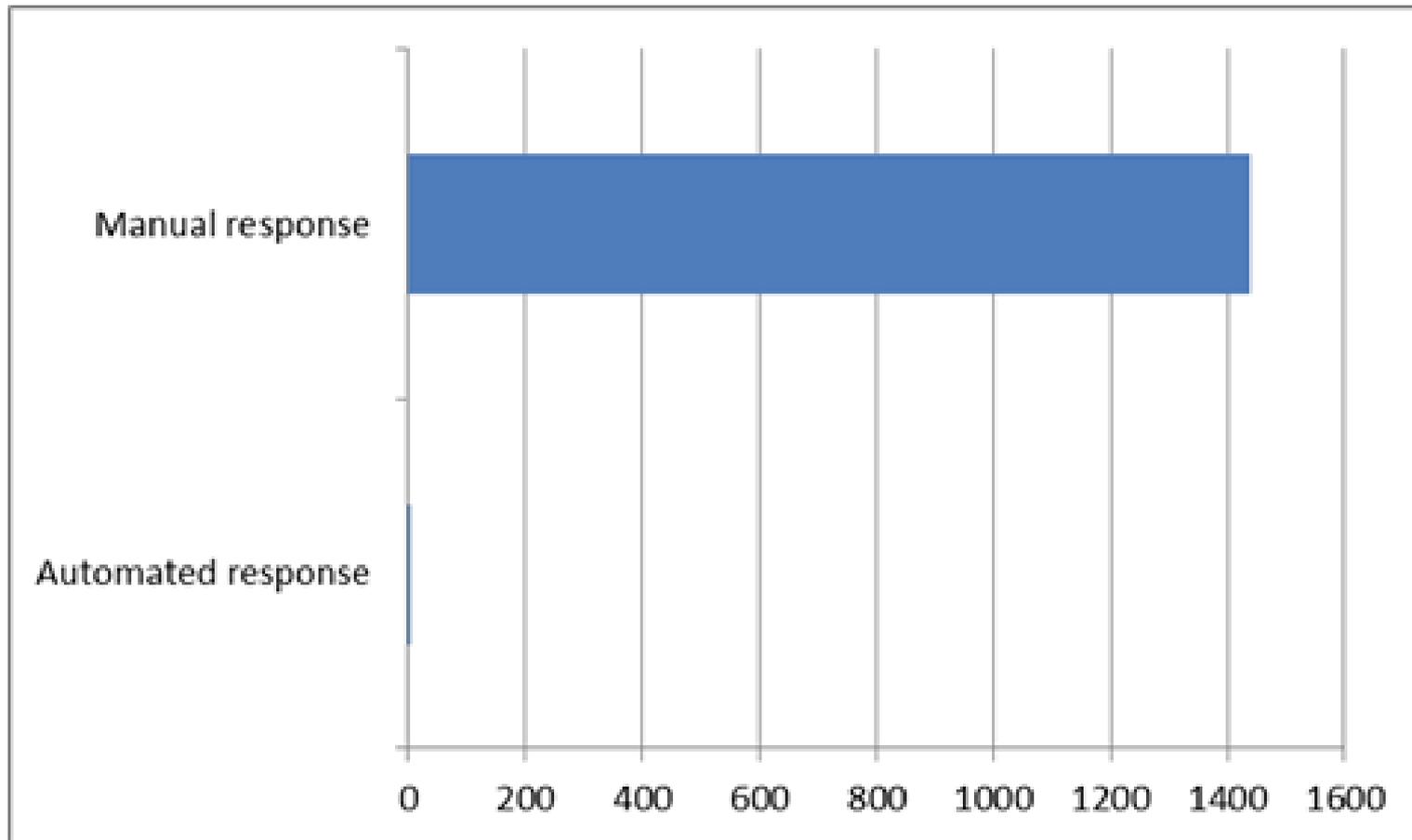
Average # of ip addresses in DFN CSIRT warnings



Practical experiences



Average response time (in mins)



Recommended proceedings



- Define a security incident response process, including roles, responsibilities and tasks for
 - Administrators
 - PR department, management, law enforcement, ...
 - System's user
 - Security incident coordinator (!)

- Use monitoring tools plus central SIEM

- Correlate security events and trigger automated responses

Questions?

