



CYBER RESILIENCE: *LEARNING FROM THE FRONT LINES THROUGH DIGITAL ATTACK STORIES*

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- Top Cyber Attacks
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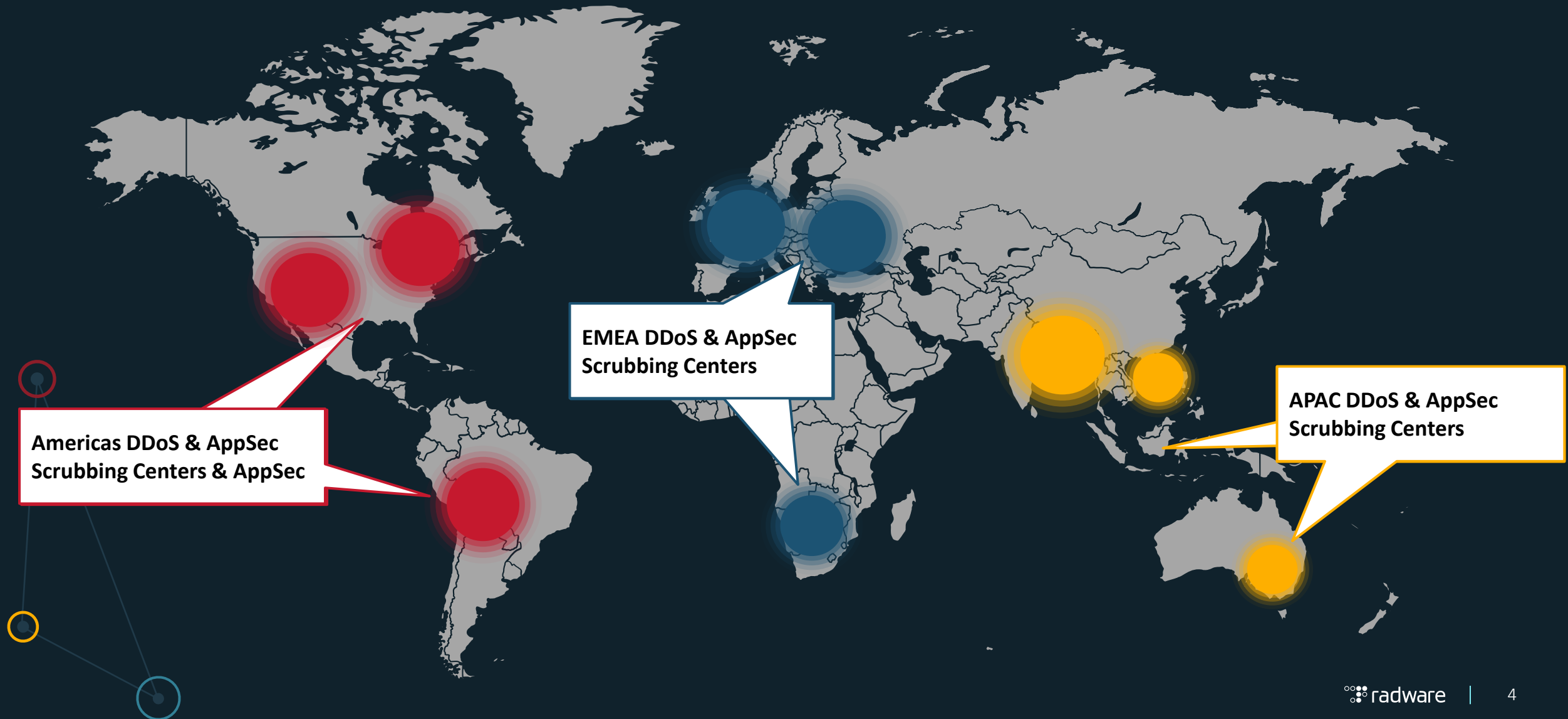


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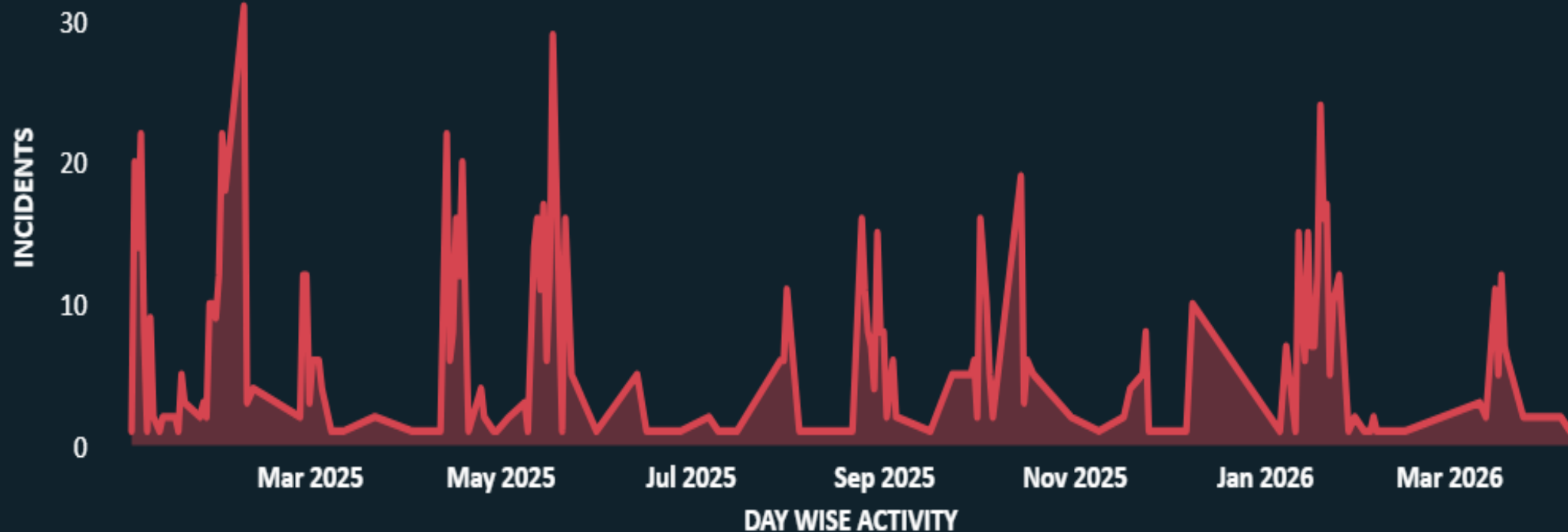


POINT OF SOURCES



CEE organizations are under targets of large-scale DDoS attacks

DAILY ACTIVITY



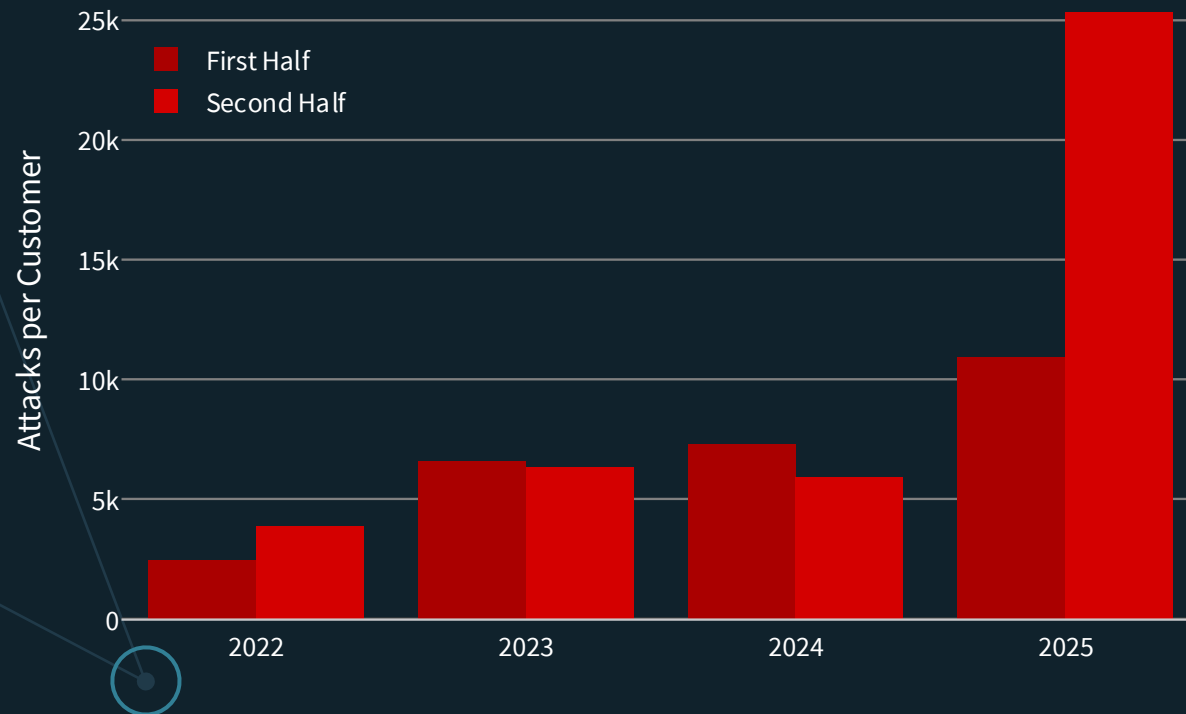
>1,000 large DDoS attacks on CEE organizations in the last year

BRUTE FORCE RESURGENCE

+168.2% ^{2025/2024}

Increase in Network DDoS Attacks

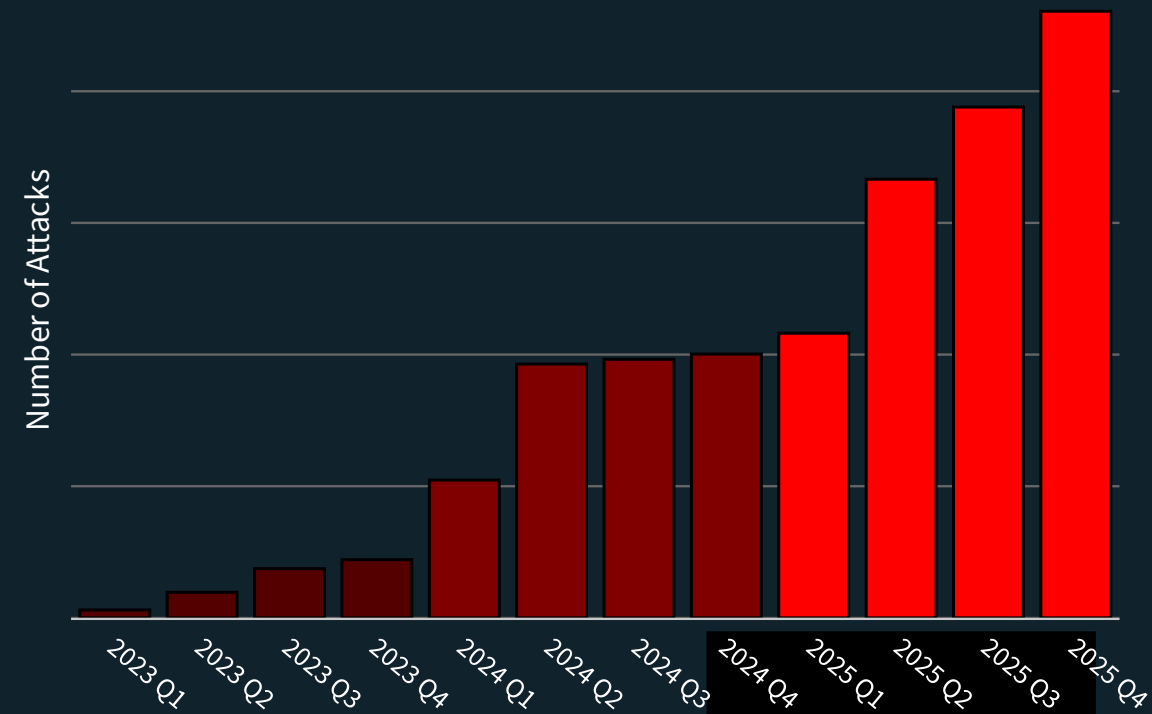
- Global Record: 29.7 Tbps (Aisuru-Kimwolf Botnet)
- Technique: Carpet-bombing & UDP Floods



+101.4% ^{2025/2024}

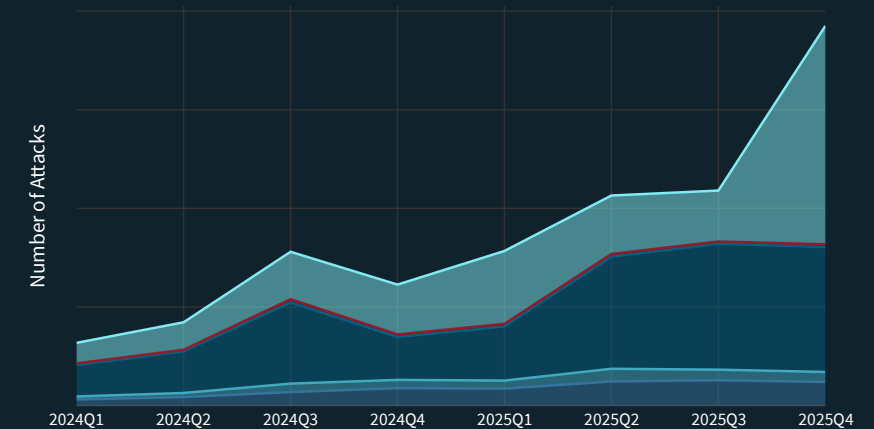
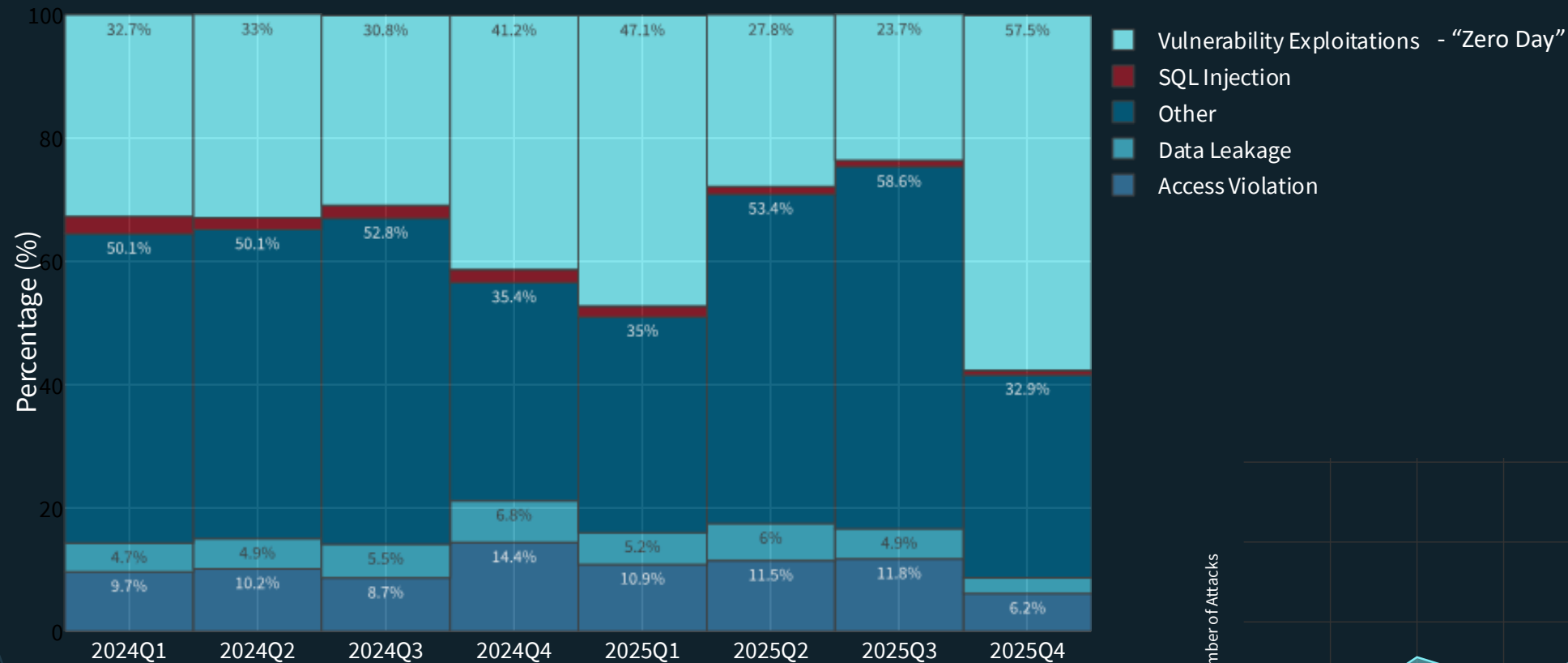
Increase in Web DDoS Attacks

- Global Record: 398M RPS (HTTP/2 Reset)
- Technique: Backend Resources & APIs

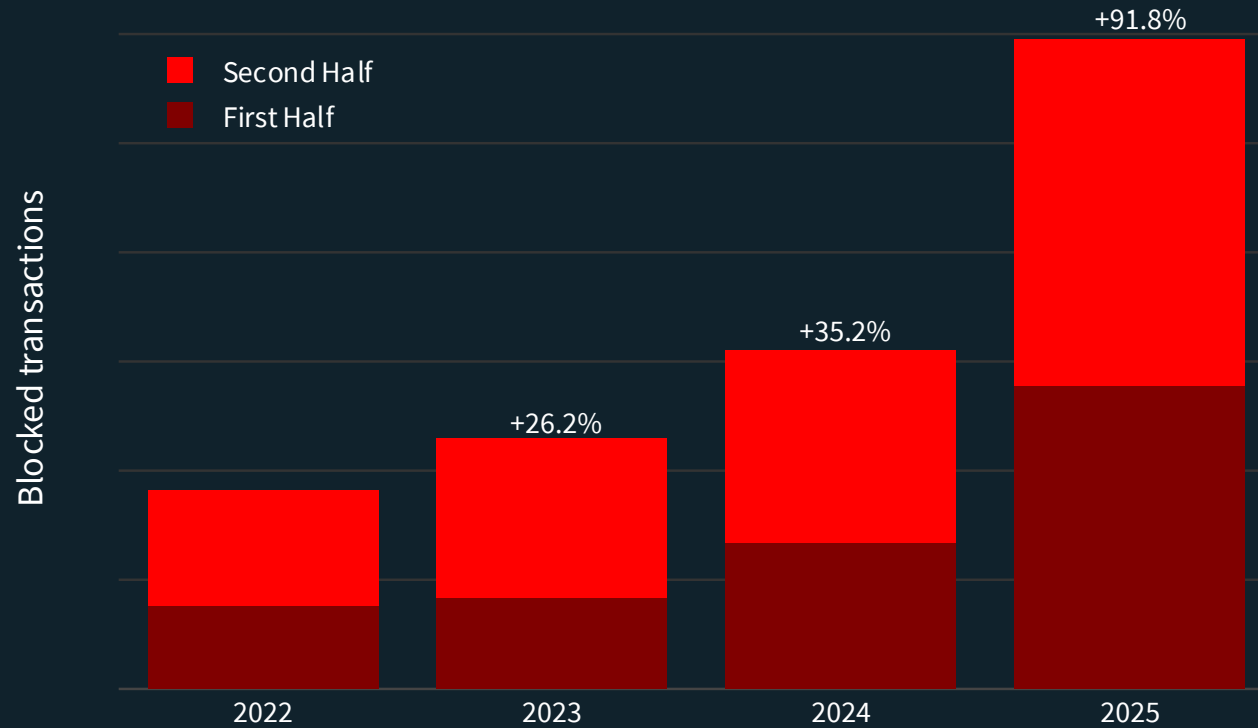


WEB APPLICATION AND API ATTACK CATEGORIES

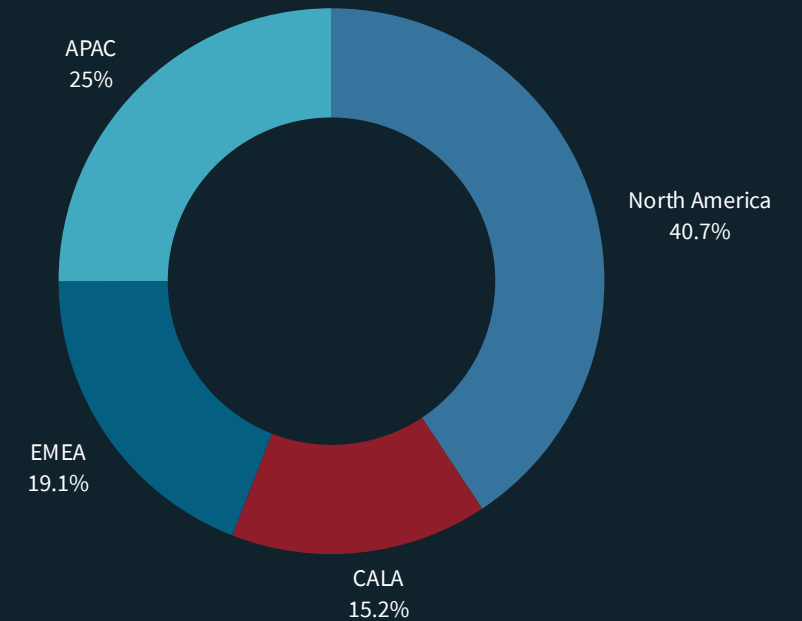
Attack Category Evolution



BAD AI BOT TRANSACTIONS

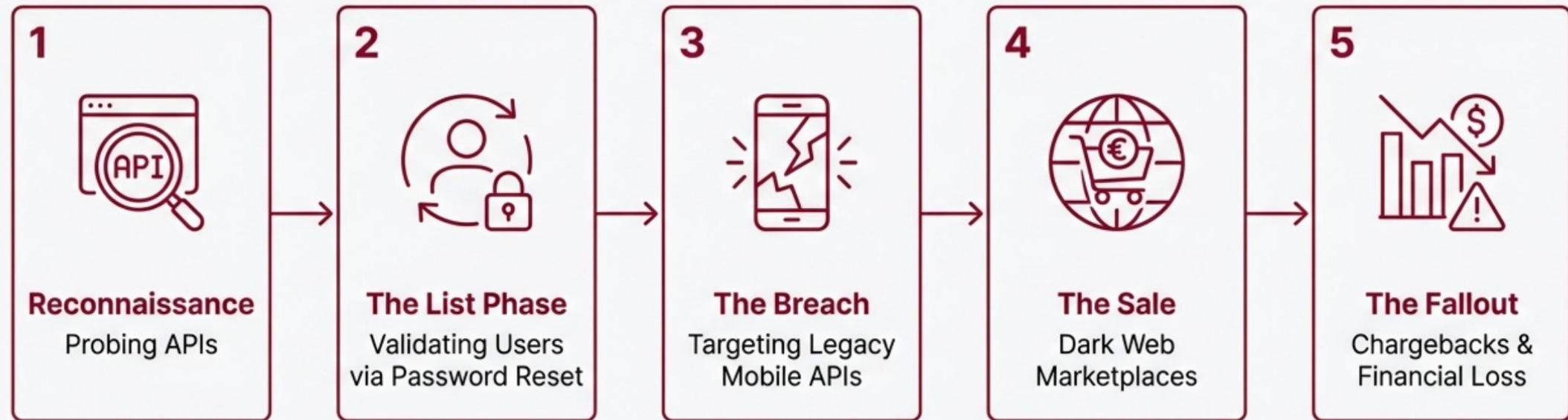


2025 Bad Bot Transactions by Region



THE CASHOUT ATTACK KILL CHAIN

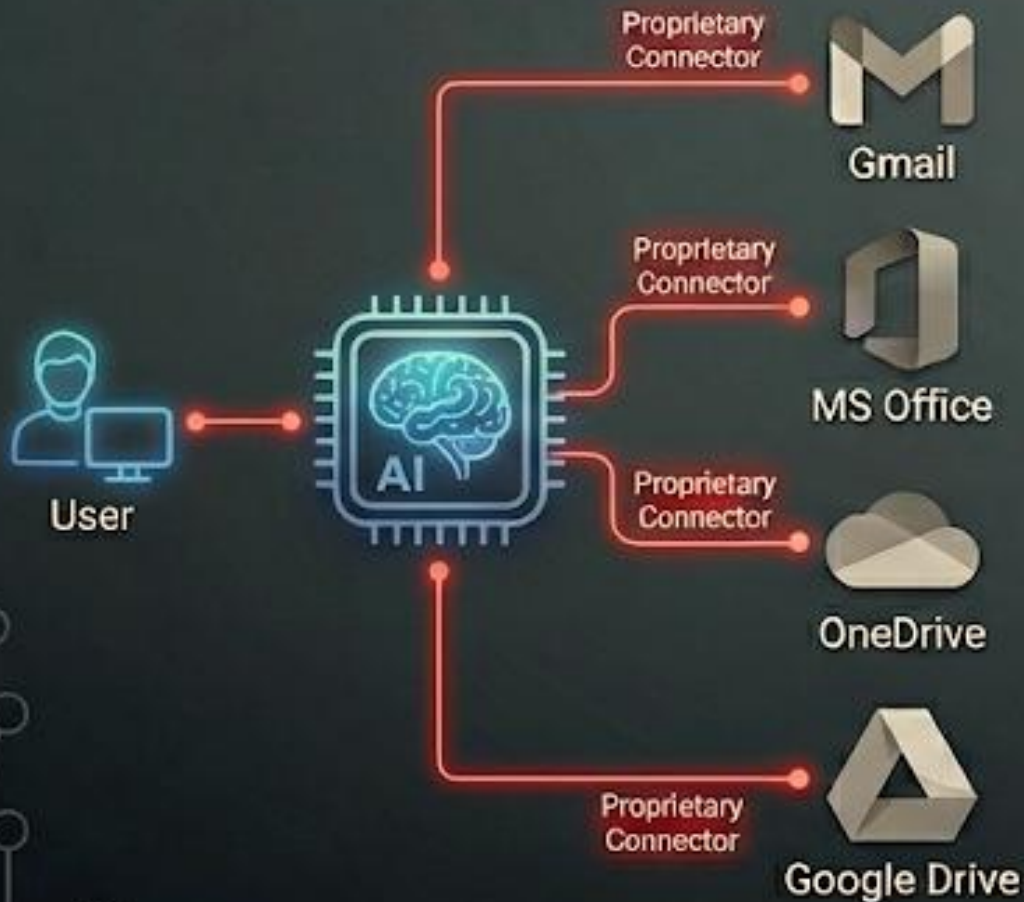
We are fighting ecosystems, not scripts. (+91.8% Growth in Bad Bots)



THE AGENTIC ECOSYSTEM

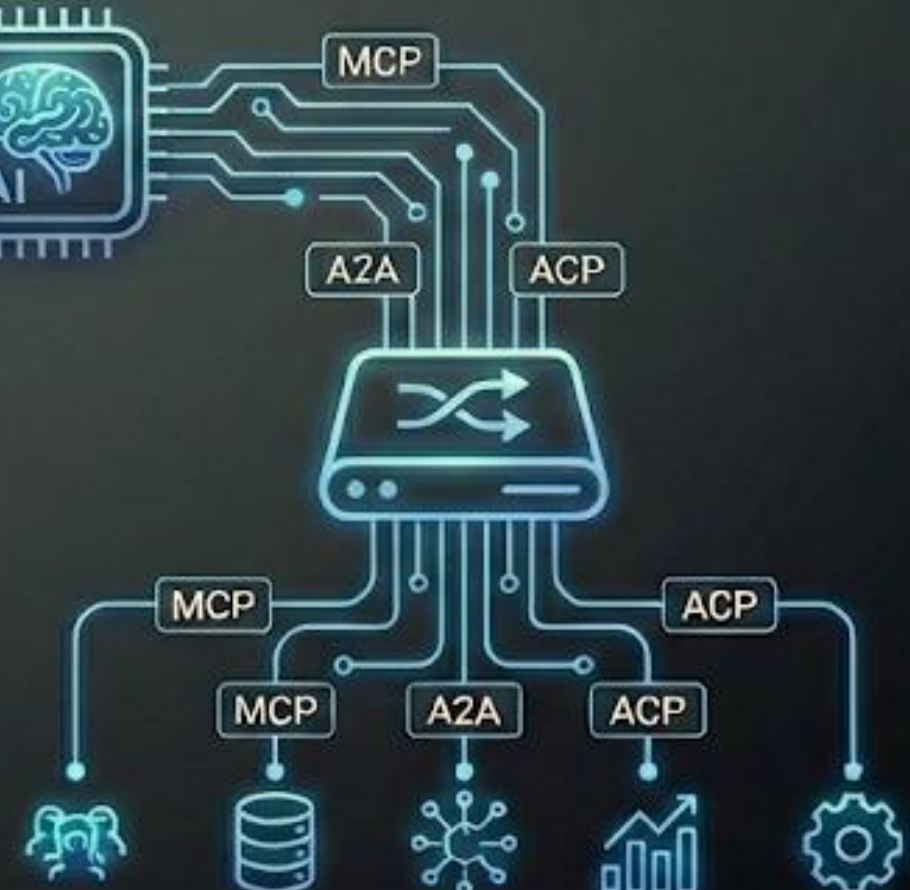
From Fragile Connectors to a Scalable Agentic Ecosystem

FRAGMENTED PAST



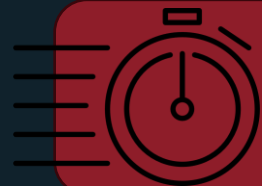
Transition to Standards

AGENTIC ECOSYSTEM



HUMAN VS MACHINE

Defenders are Fighting Machines Now, Not Humans

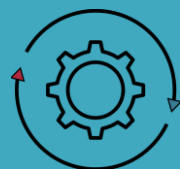


Lower Time To Exploit (Newly Disclosed CVEs)

DAYS → MINUTES



Increased Scale (Global Reach)



Automation & Orchestration (Targeted Attacks)

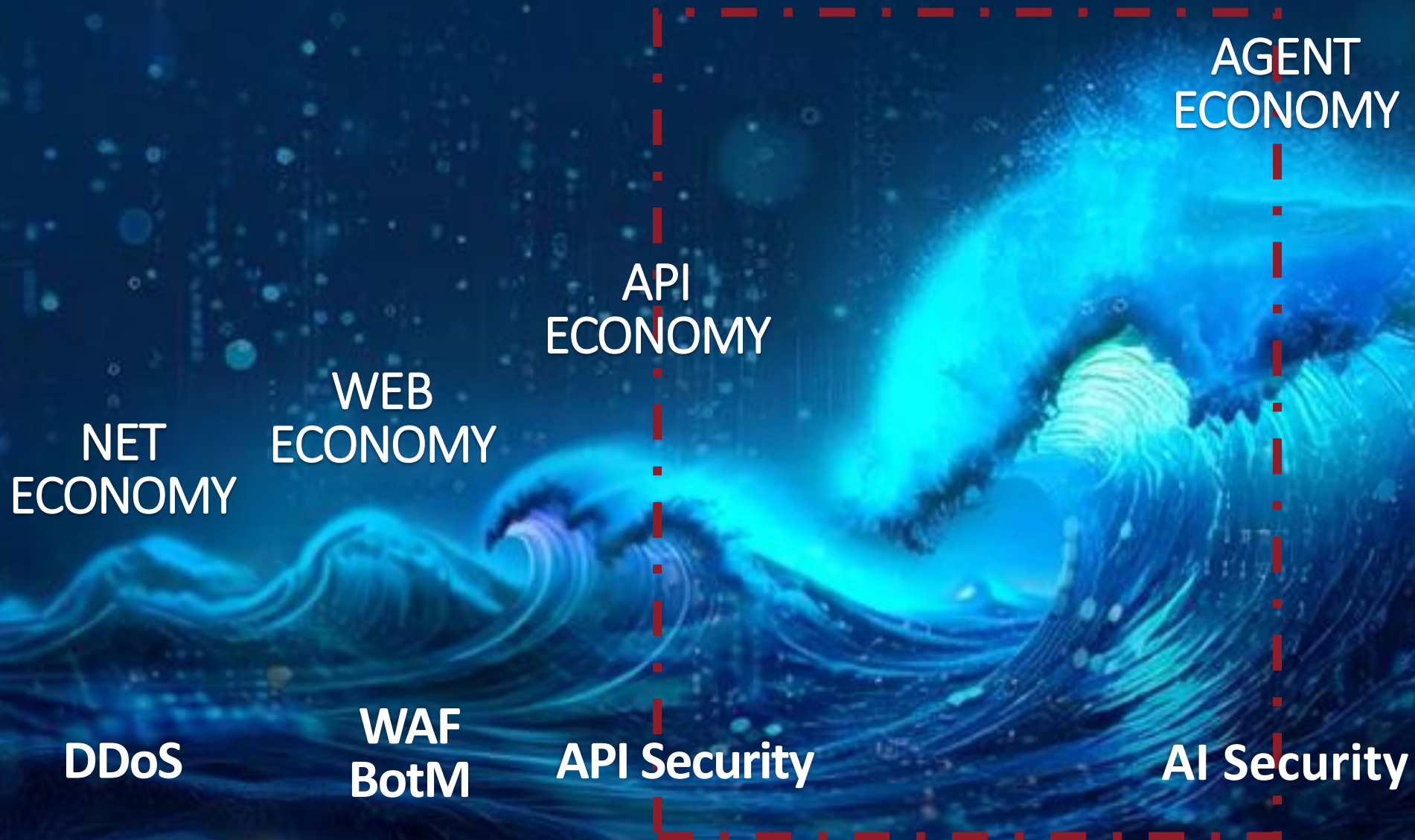


Machines Never Sleep

HOW DID WE GET HERE?



Market Evolution: Solutions Need to Adapt



Evolution of Web Application Architecture

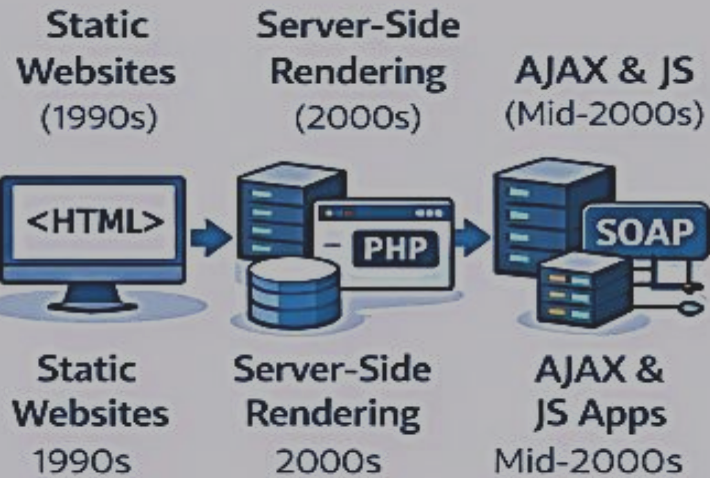
NETWORK/WEB ECONOMY



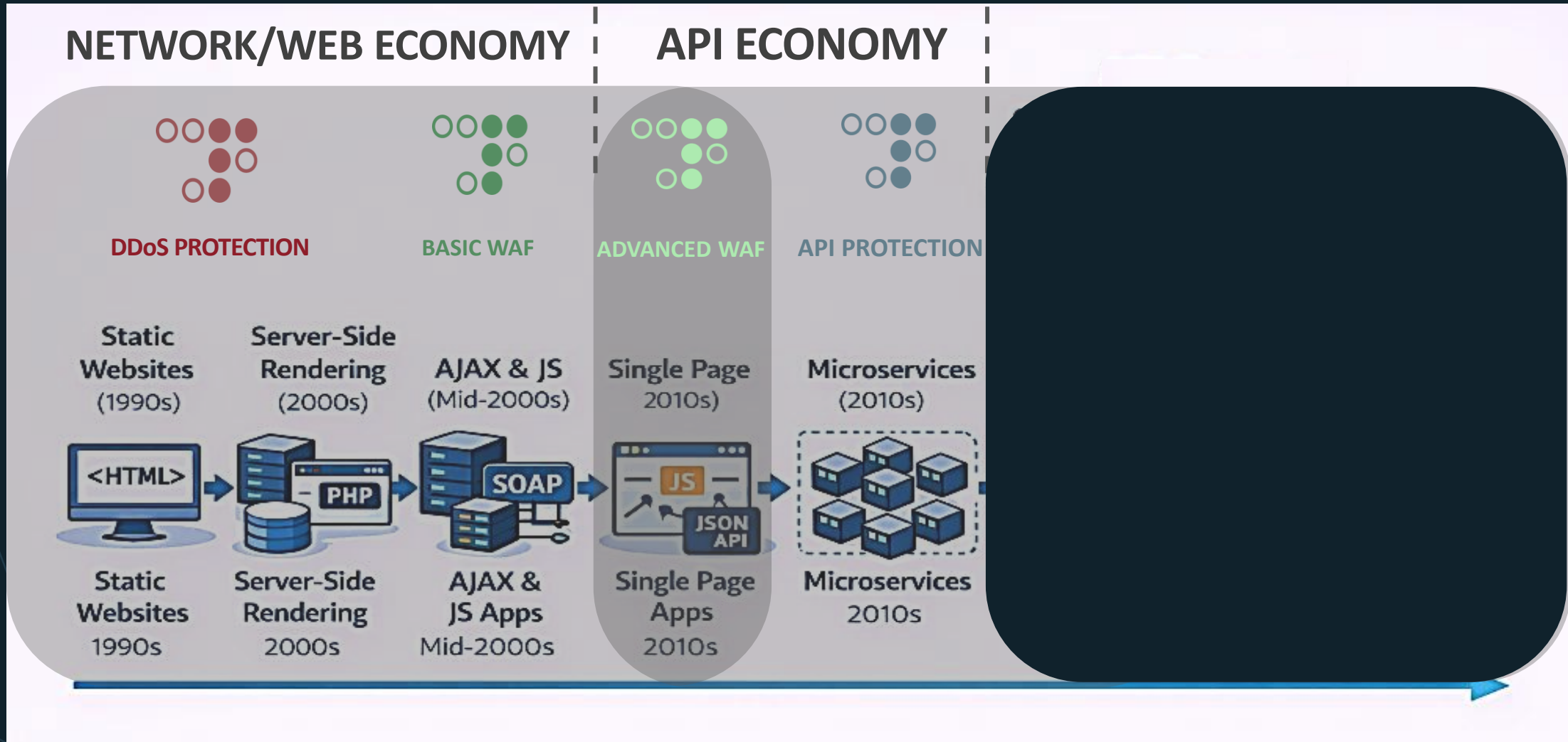
DDoS PROTECTION



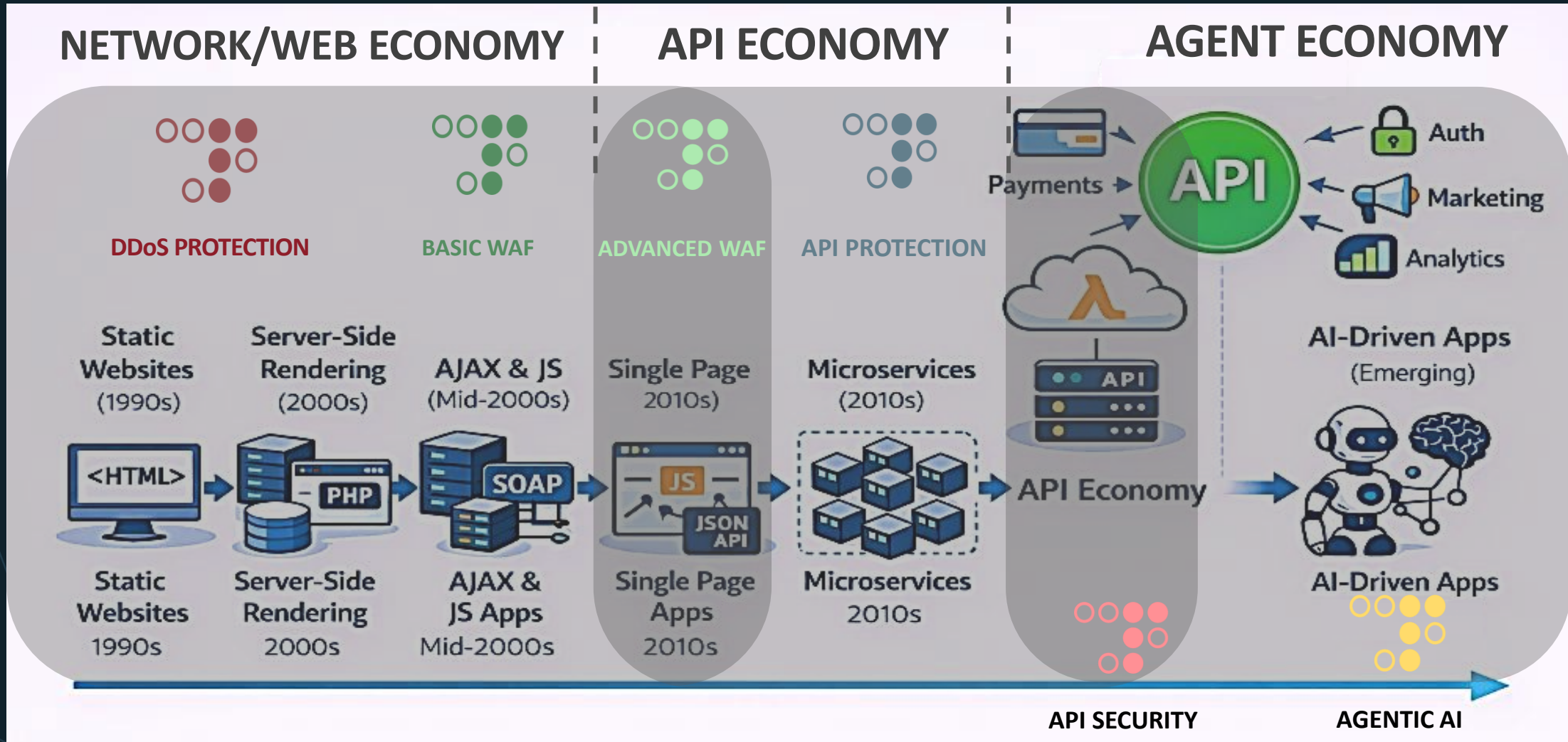
BASIC WAF



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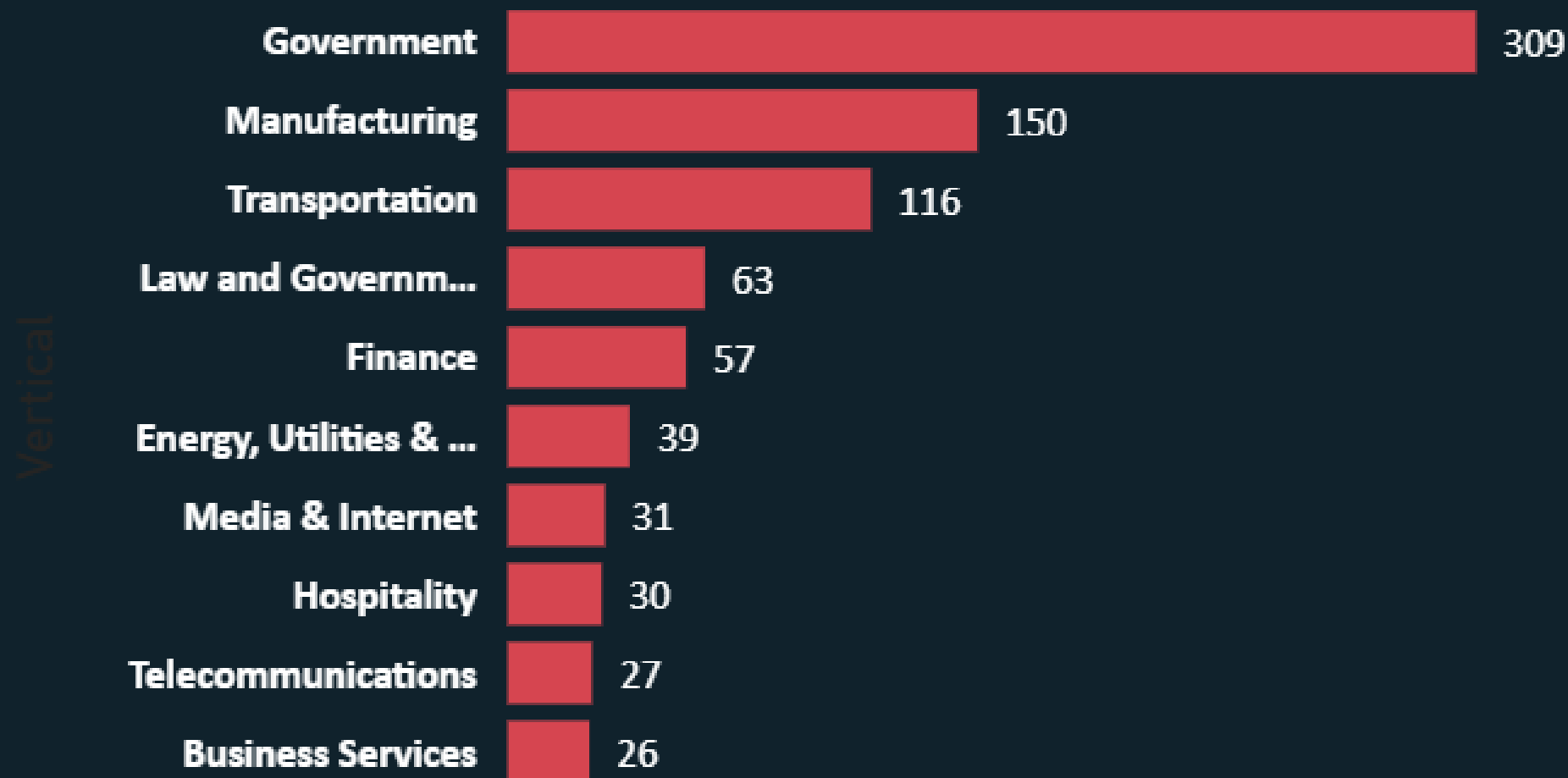
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Who is Attacked?

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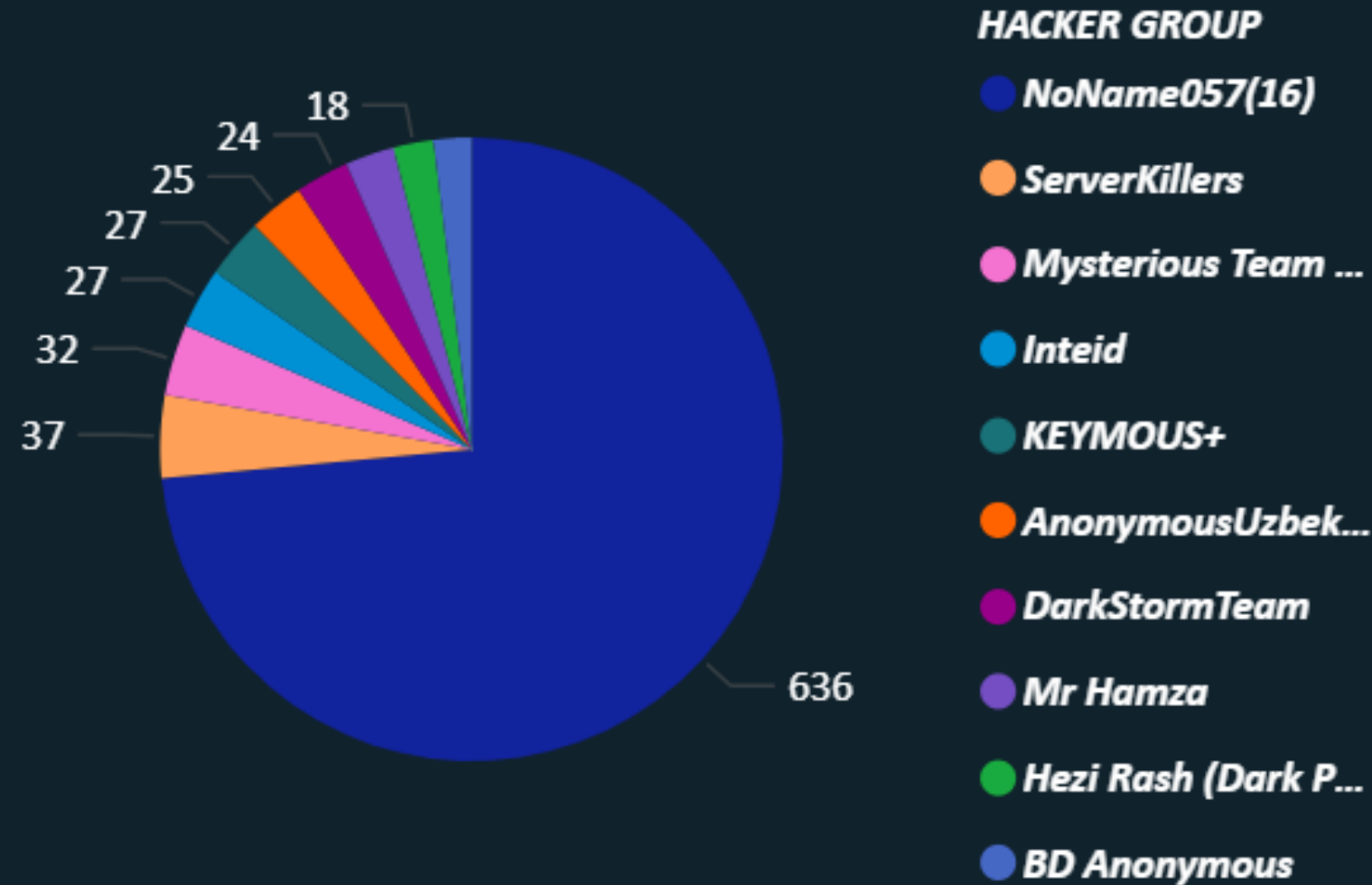
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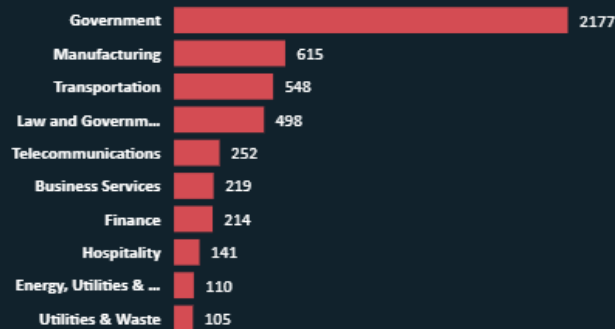
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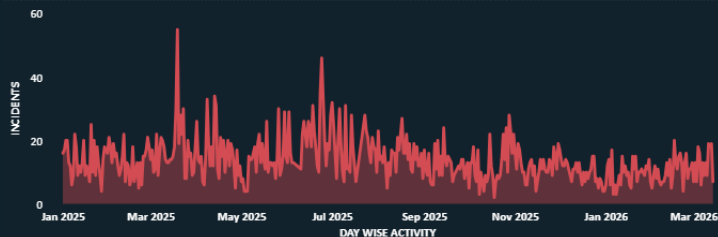


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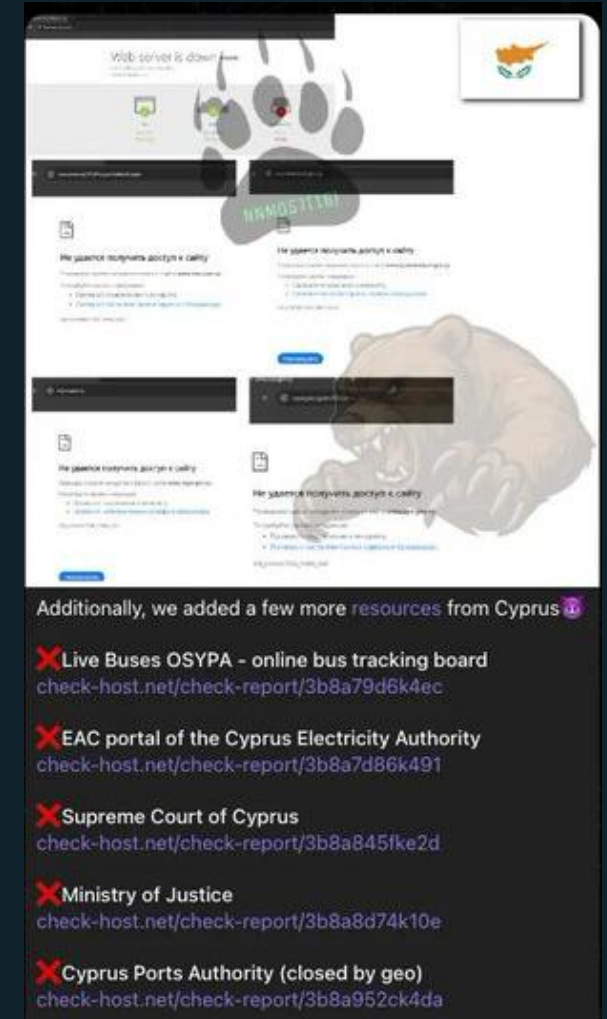
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DAILY ACTIVITY



- State-sanctioned Russian hacktivist group
- Attacks motivated by perceived actions against Russian interests
- Attack Tool: Project DDoSia attack toolkit, includes cryptocurrency wallet to receive financial rewards
- Attack vector: **Application-layer large scale HTTPs floods**



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Why Web DDoS Attacks are Difficult to Detect & Mitigate?

Flood of encrypted HTTPs requests are identical to legitimate requests

The traditional mitigation toolset is ineffective



Rate Limiting → Ineffective, as it impacts legitimate traffic



IP Blacklisting → Ineffective, as floods are generated from large botnets



Geo Blocking → Ineffective, as attackers use local proxies



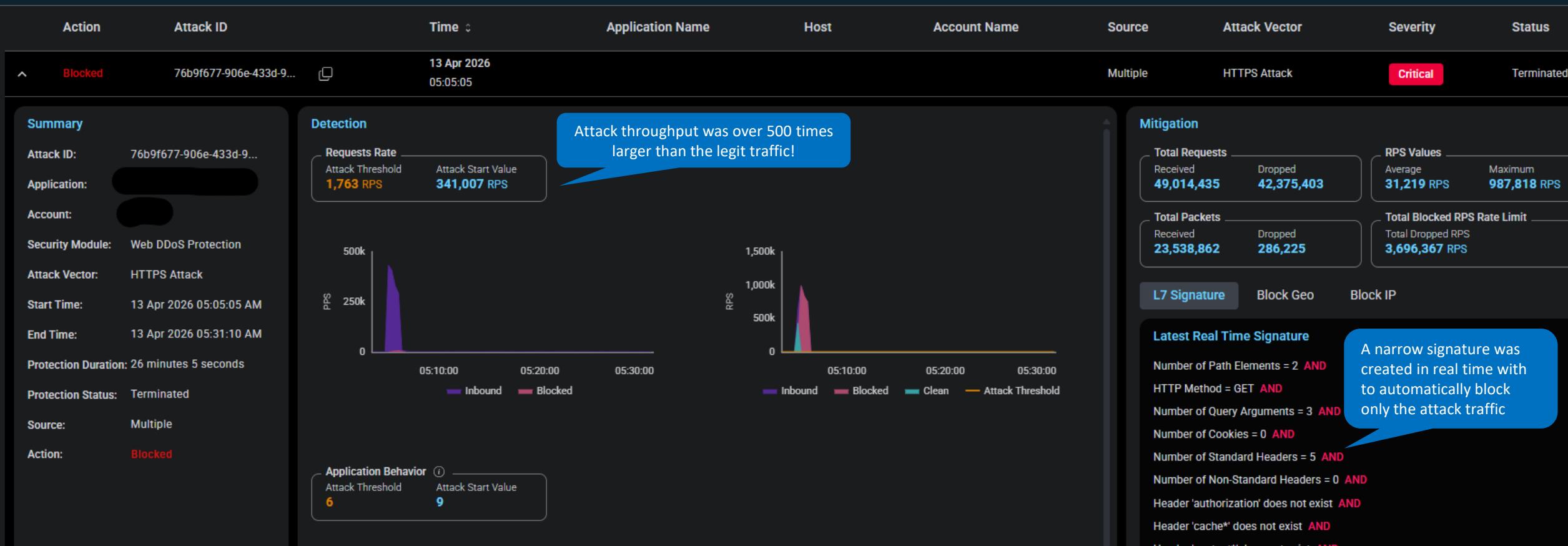
Manual Filters → Ineffective, as attacks automatically mutate HTTPs methods and parameters



CAPTCHA → Ineffective, as it impacts user experience, and cannot mitigate HTTPs on APIs

30-min-long 1 million RPS Attack on a Major Public Financial Service in Europe

Distributes allowances and financial aid to over 30 million beneficiaries



The result: No impact on the service!

1.5 Hour-long ~2.5 million RPS Attack on a Major Hospital in Europe

Distributes allowances and financial aid to over 30 million beneficiaries



The result: No impact on the hospital's on-line services

1 Hour-long 5 Million RPS Attack on a Major European University



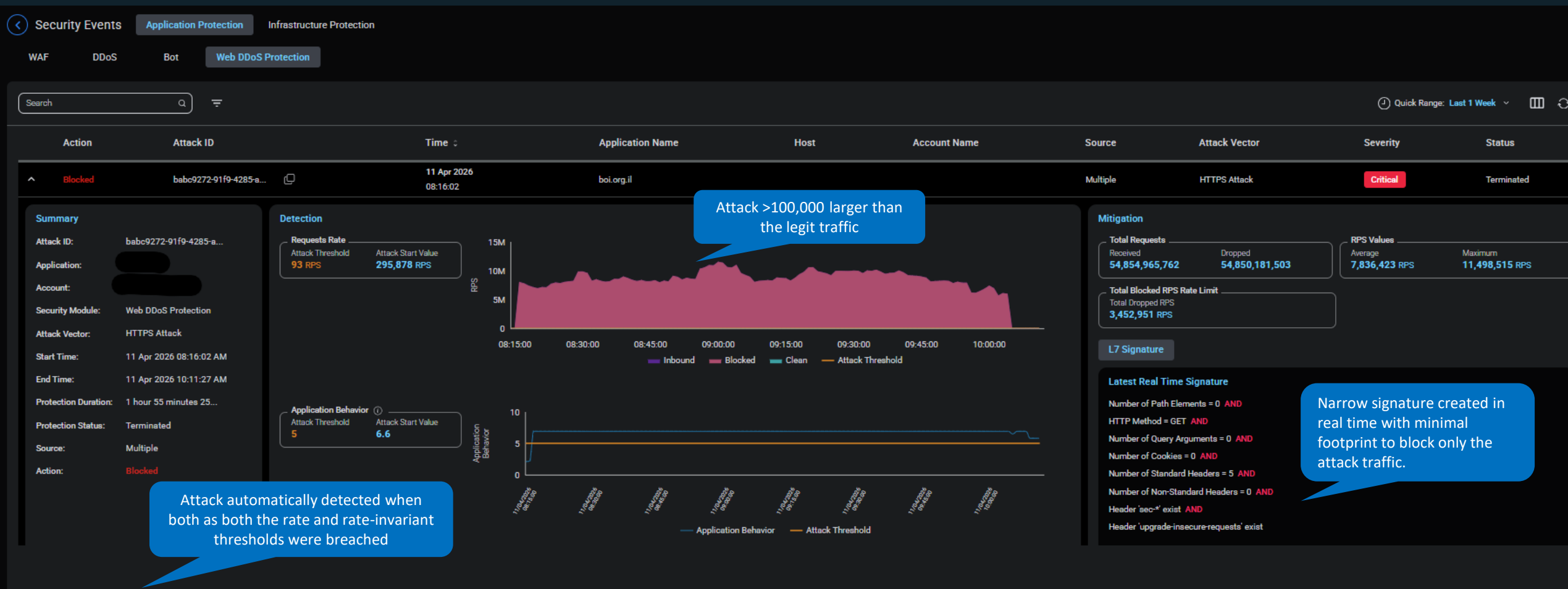
The result: No impact on the university's services

1 Hour-long 10 Million RPS Attack on a National Payment Card Infrastructure



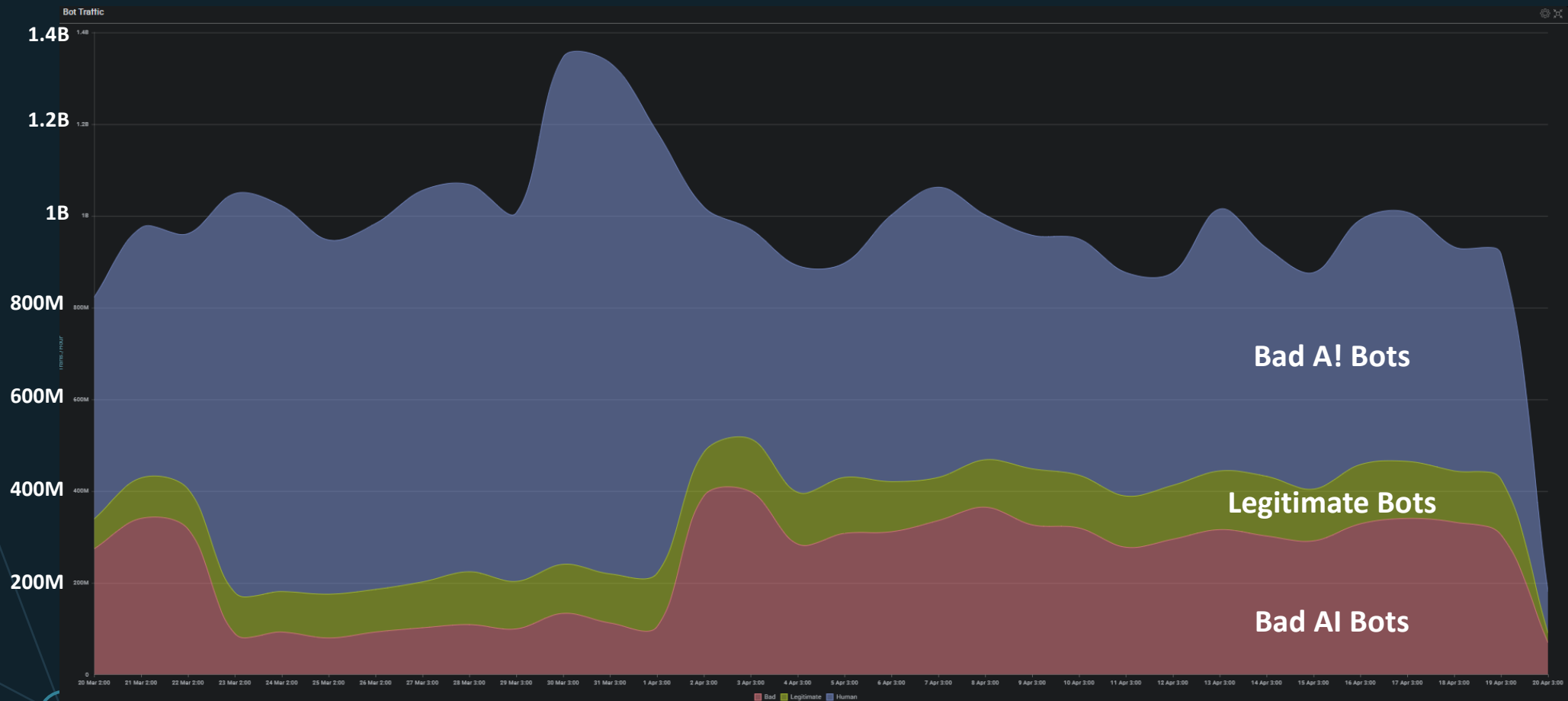
The result: No impact on the National Payment Card Infrastructure

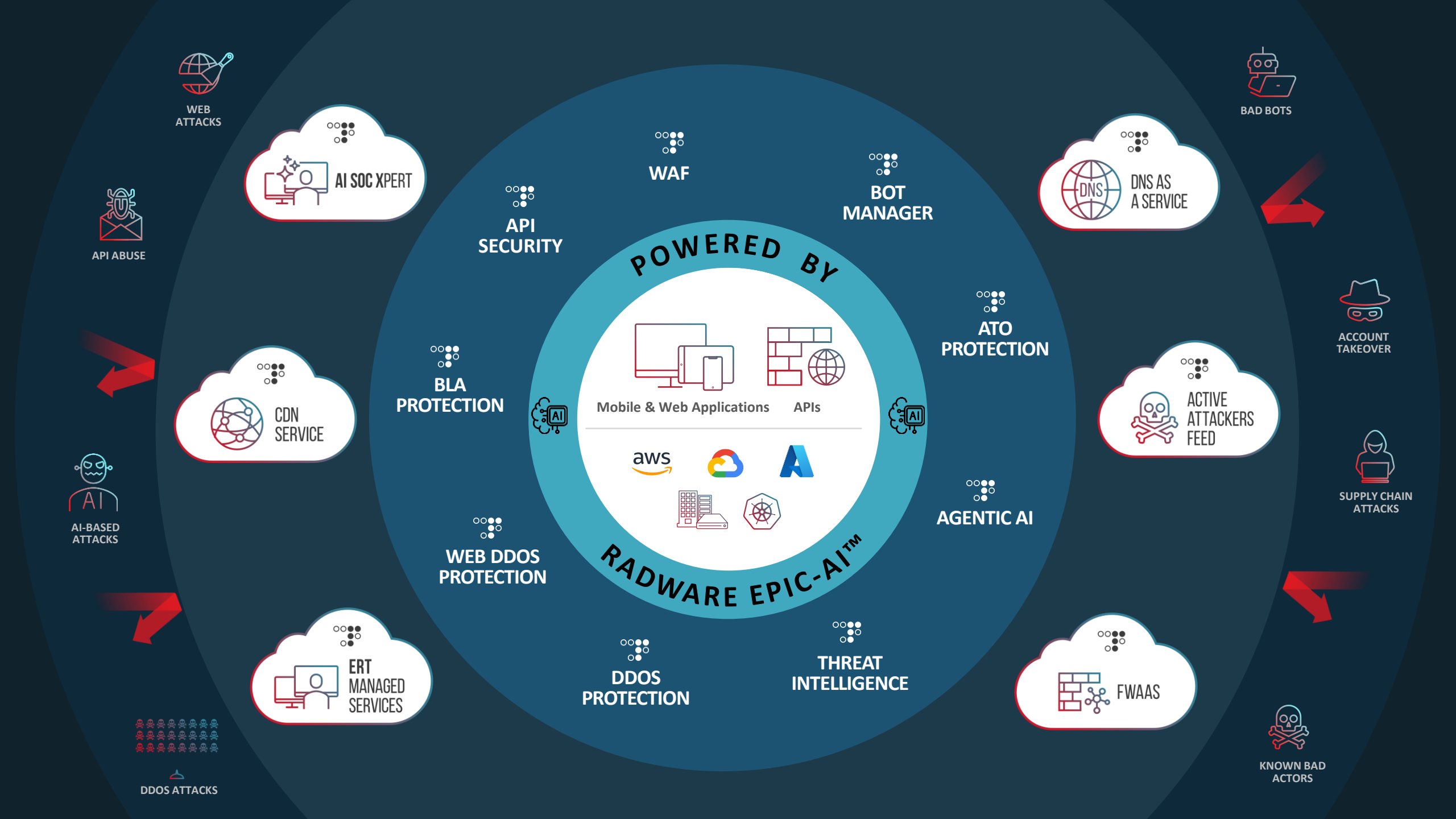
2 Hour-long 12 Million RPS Attack on a European Public Government Services



The result: No impact on the Government services

Protecting Online Business from Malicious AI Bots (20/3/26 - 20/4/26)







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*What keeps me up at night is the idea that bad actors could build and deploy superintelligent AI **before the rest of the world is ready to defend against it.***

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**Sam Altman,
CEO of OpenAI**



Thank you!

