

SAV-based Anti-DDoS Architecture (SAV-D)

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Outline

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- SAV-D Architecture and Workflow
- SAV-D Data Transmission
- Preliminary Experiments

Problem Statement

- Spoofing source IP address is a commonly used technique in DDoS attacks
- Detection and Defense at **Target Side**
 - Packet-level detection
 - Limitation: Relatively weak defense capabilities at target side
- Detection and Defense at **Middleware Networks**
 - NetFlow-based sampling analysis
 - Limitation: Low accuracy and timeliness
- Detecting and Defense at **Attack Source Side**
 - Source Address Validation (SAV) detects packets with spoofed source addresses, discover and block attacks at the source side
 - Limitation?

Limitation 1: Limited Deployment Scale

Access Network Deployment

Host granularity defense

Difficult to require all access networks to deploy SAV

Intra-domain Deployment

IP prefix granularity defense

Difficult to defend spoofing within the same address prefix

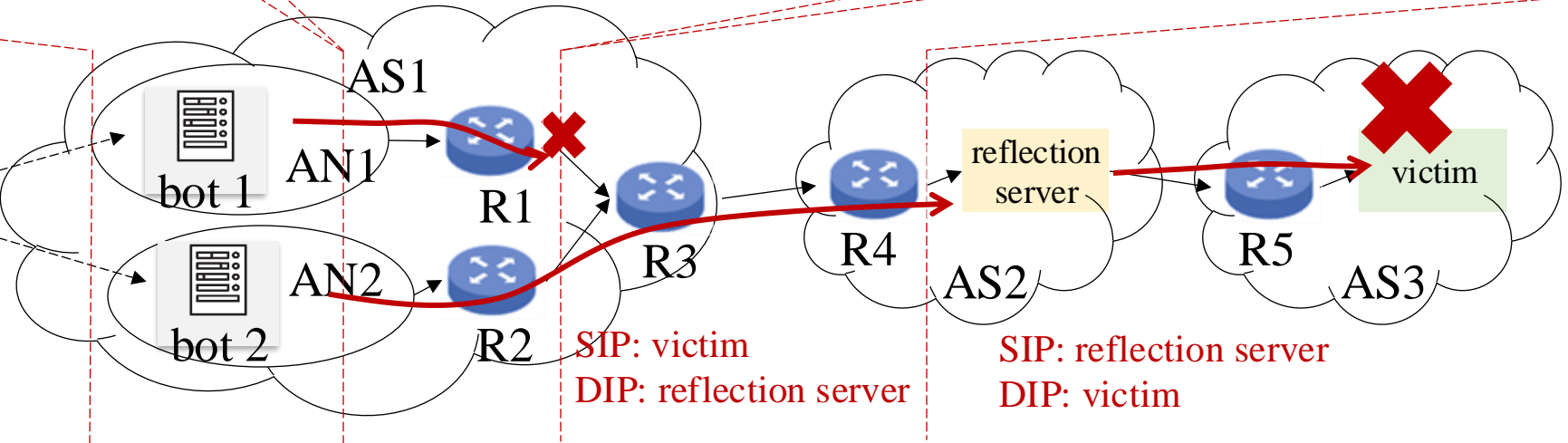
Inter-domain Deployment

AS address granularity defense

Difficult to defend spoofing within the same AS



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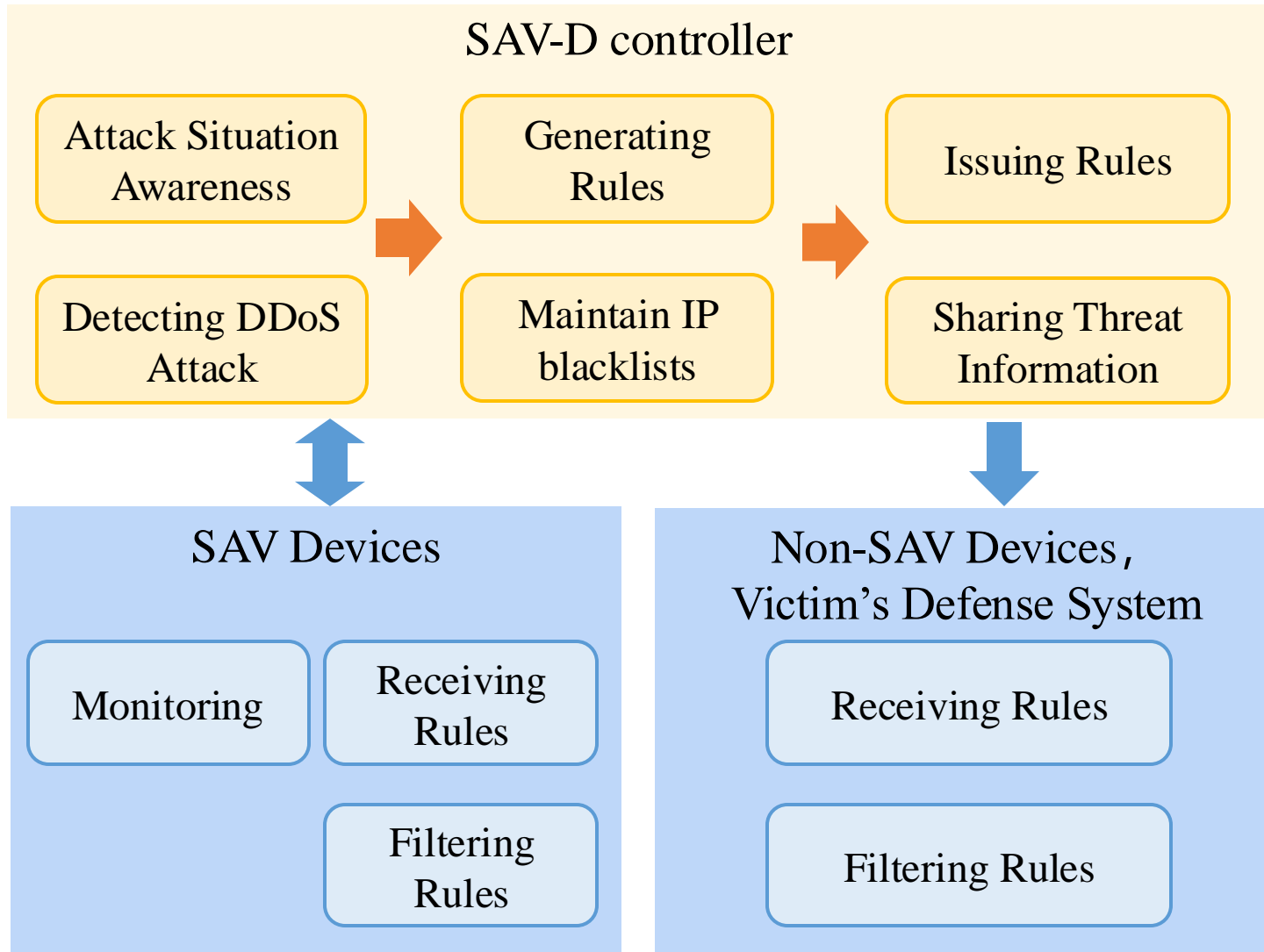
Reflection attack scenario
(e.g., DNS reflection attack)

- **Need a certain scale of SAV deployment** to achieve effective DDoS defense
- Deployment of SAV devices is necessarily **a lengthy process**

Limitation 2: Lack Collaboration

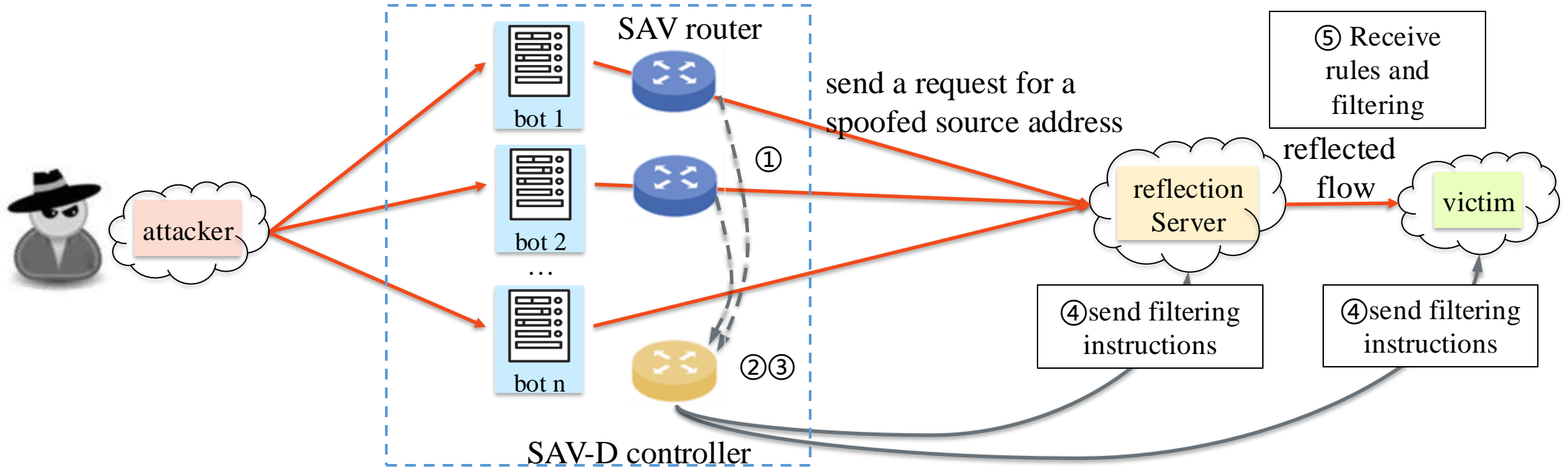
- SAV devices directly drop spoofed packets, without sharing the attack intelligence
- **Insight:** Threat data collaboration among SAV devices
 - Each **SAV device maintains the spoofed packets information** including IP, port number, TCP identifier, geographic location, etc.
 - **Threat information sharing** should be prioritized instead of direct dropping
- **Pros:**
 - **SAV devices can be aware of a variety of reflection attacks and direct attacks**
 - Detect potential threats **more accurately and earlier**, and respond to large-scale attacks before forming
 - Provide a **global view of attack situation**, which can benefit security operation

SAV-D Architecture



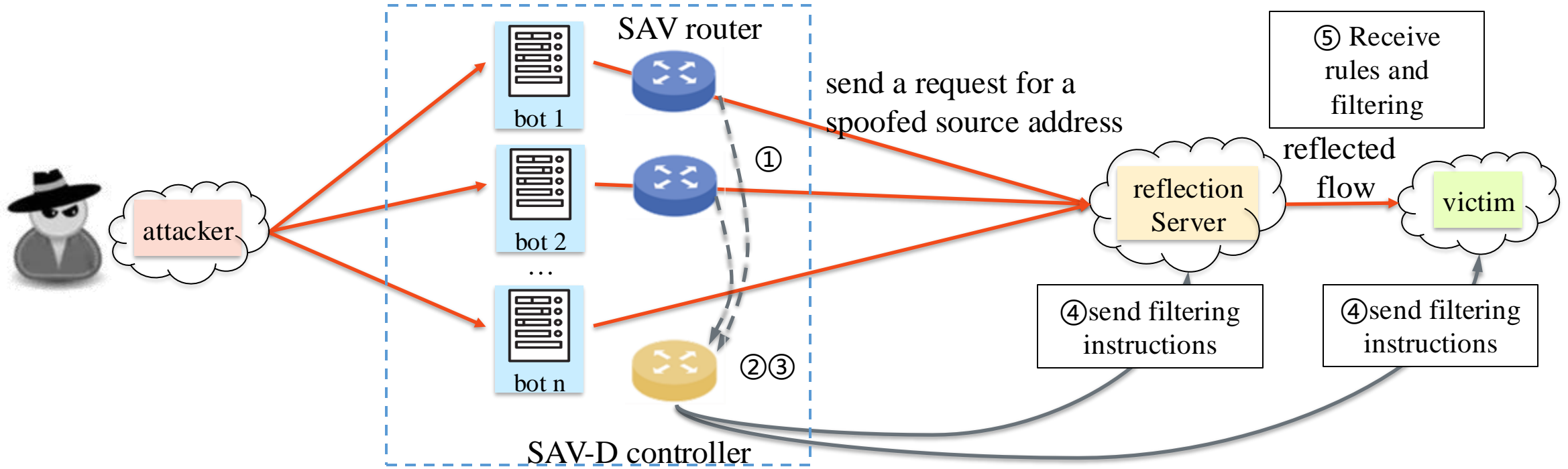
- SAV devices identify and report forged source address packets
- Based on the collected information, the SAV-D controller identifies security intelligence
- The security intelligence can be distributed through the SAV-D controller, benefiting the entire network

SAV-D Workflow



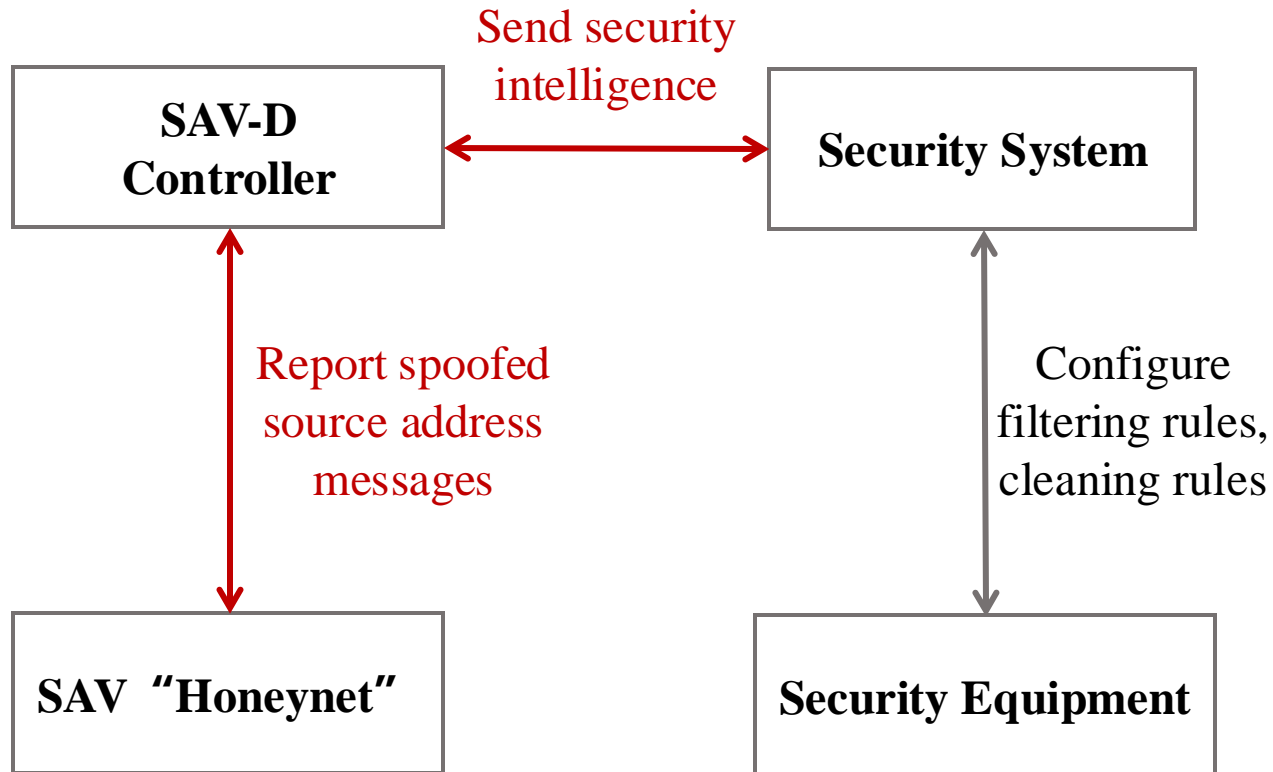
1. The SAV router records the spoofed packets information, and then reports it to the SAV-D controller
2. The SAV-D controller aggregates and analyzes the collected information, and then detects whether a DDoS attack occurred

SAV-D Workflow



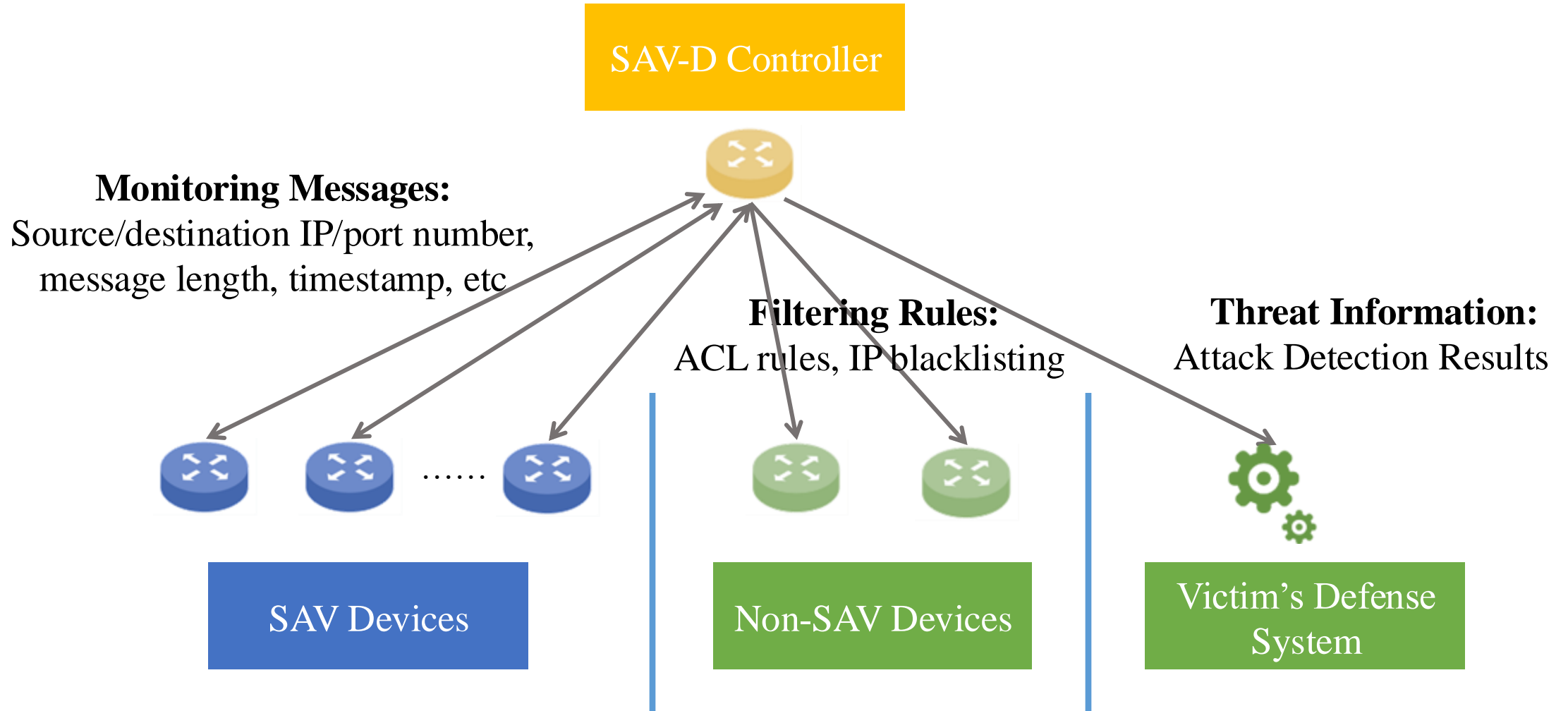
3. Based on attack detection results, the SAV-D controller generates specific filtering rules
4. The SAV-D controller distributes filtering rules to the SAV routers and other non-SAV devices
5. Network devices receive rules and execute filtering

SAV-D Information Flow

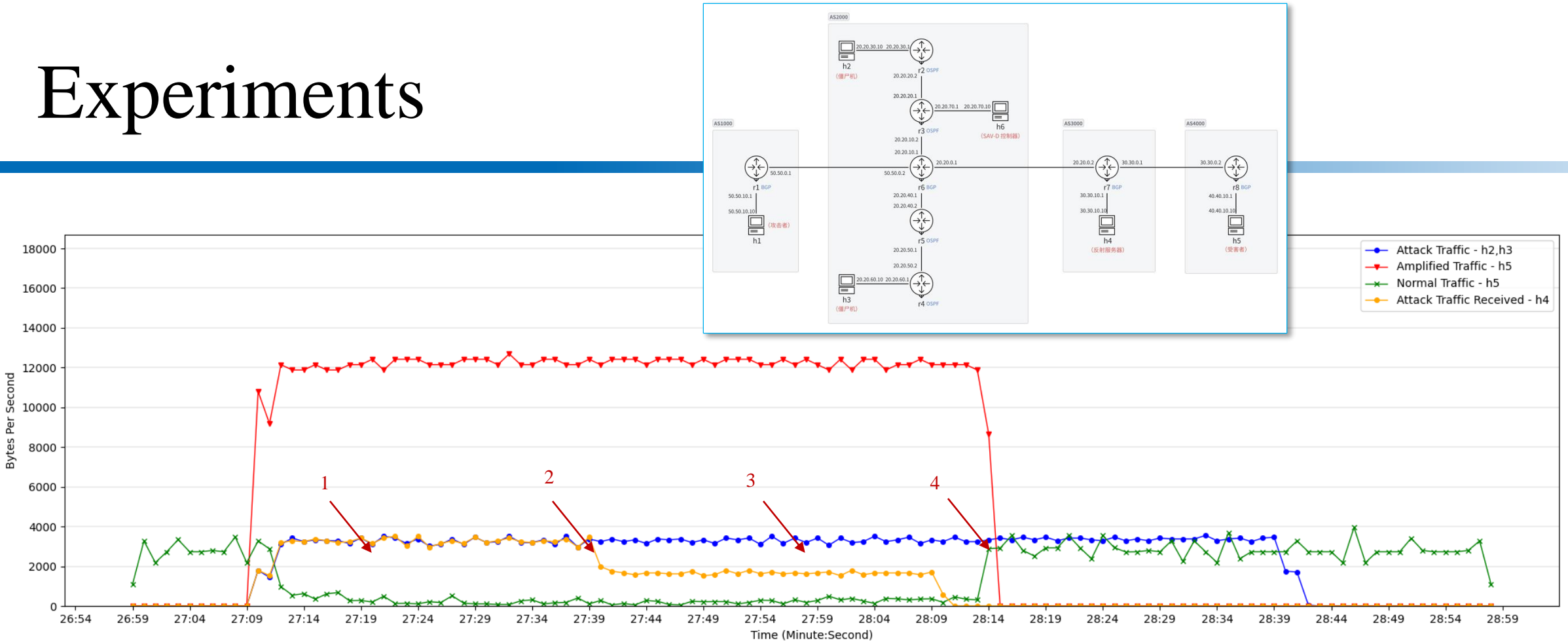


- SAV routers that do not drop spoofed source IP packets can be considered as honeypots, and a network deployed with SAV can be seen as a **honeynet**
- The SAV-D controller continuously discovers security intelligence, such as zombie network movements and new types of attack behaviors
- This security intelligence can **benefit the security system of the whole network**

SAV-D Data Transmission



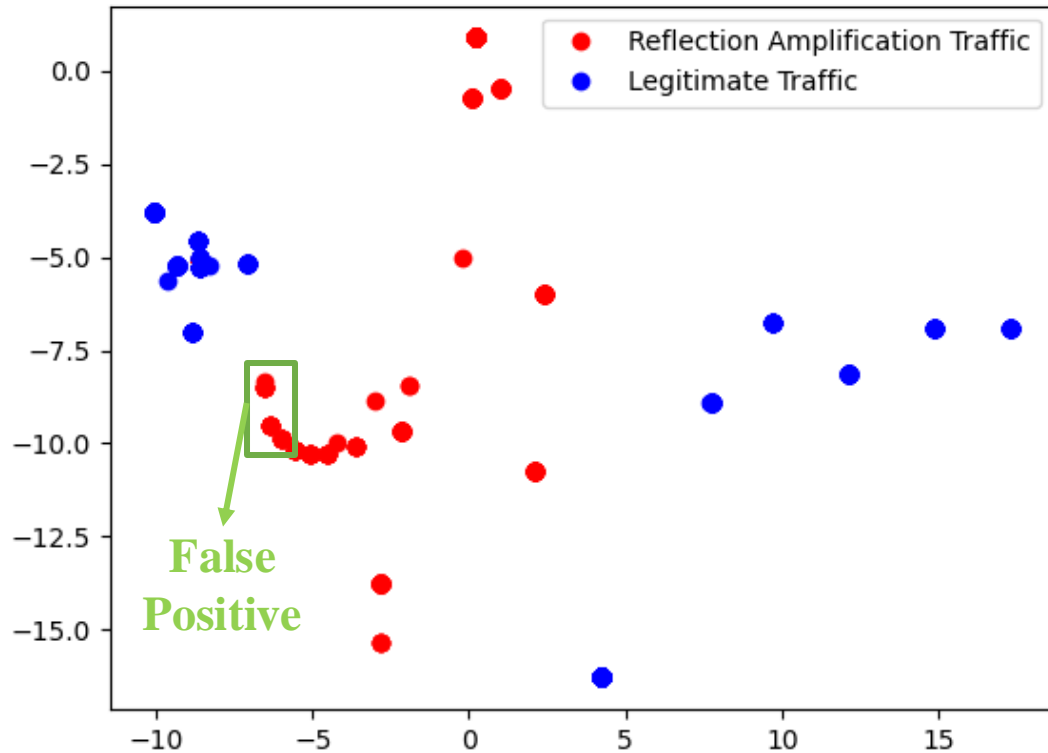
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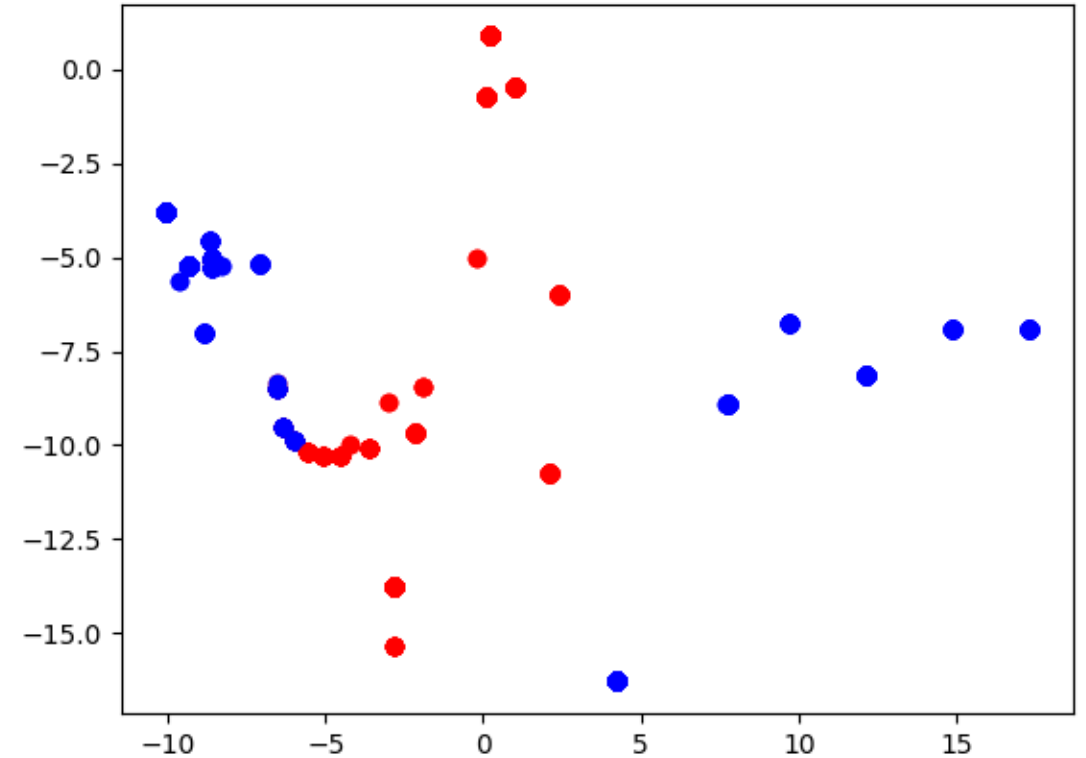
1. Information uploading (r2) instead of direct dropping
2. DDoS attacks are detected and blocked at r2 first
3. SAV-D controller selects the device that will receive the filtering rule
4. R6 receives filtering rules and executes blocking

Experiments

Ground Truth



Clustered by K-Means



The visualized clustering results of ground truth (with labels) and the traffic without labels

The proposed SAV-D architecture enables security operators to be easily aware of the characteristic of malicious traffic and global attack situation

Thanks!

Q&A

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