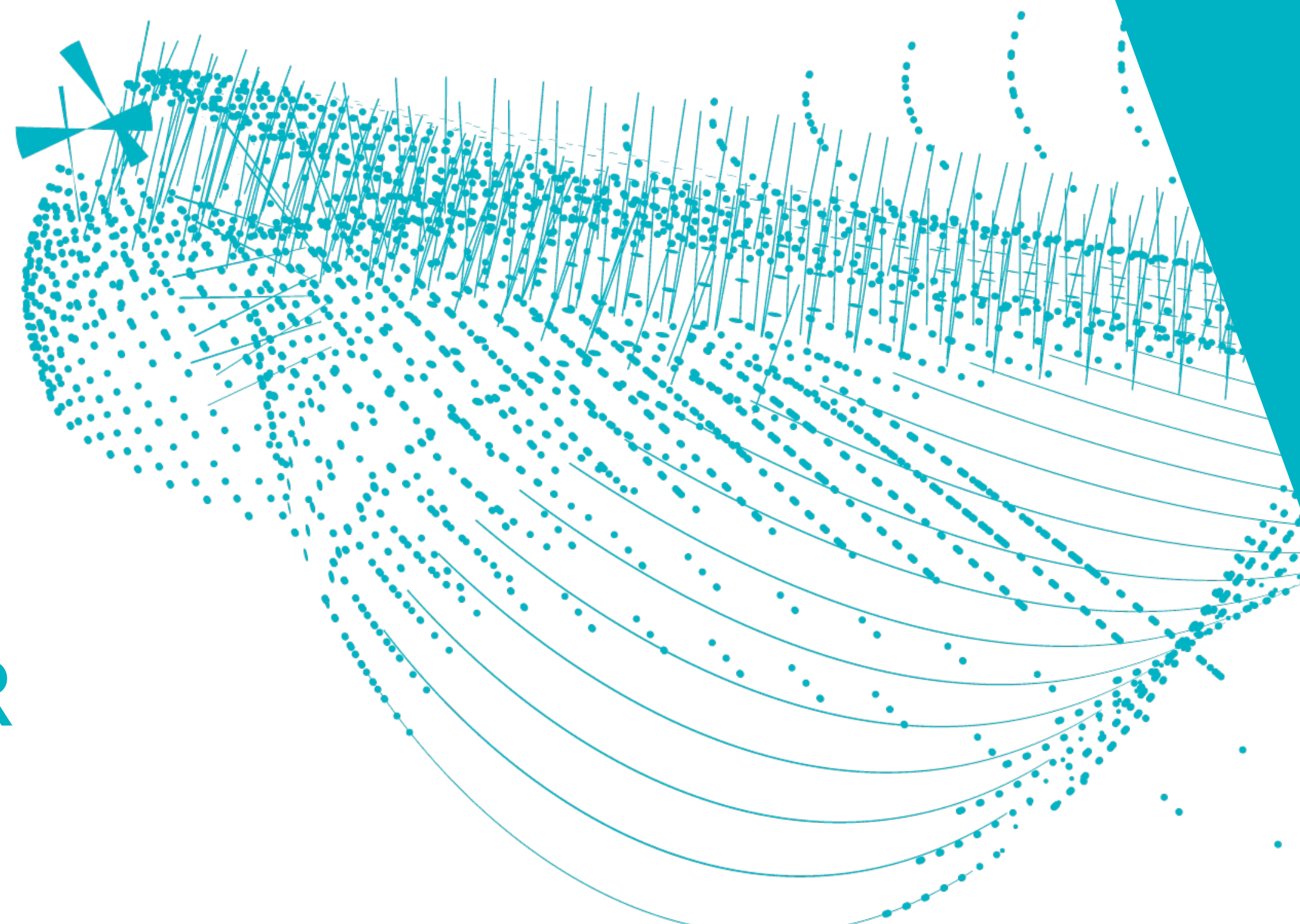




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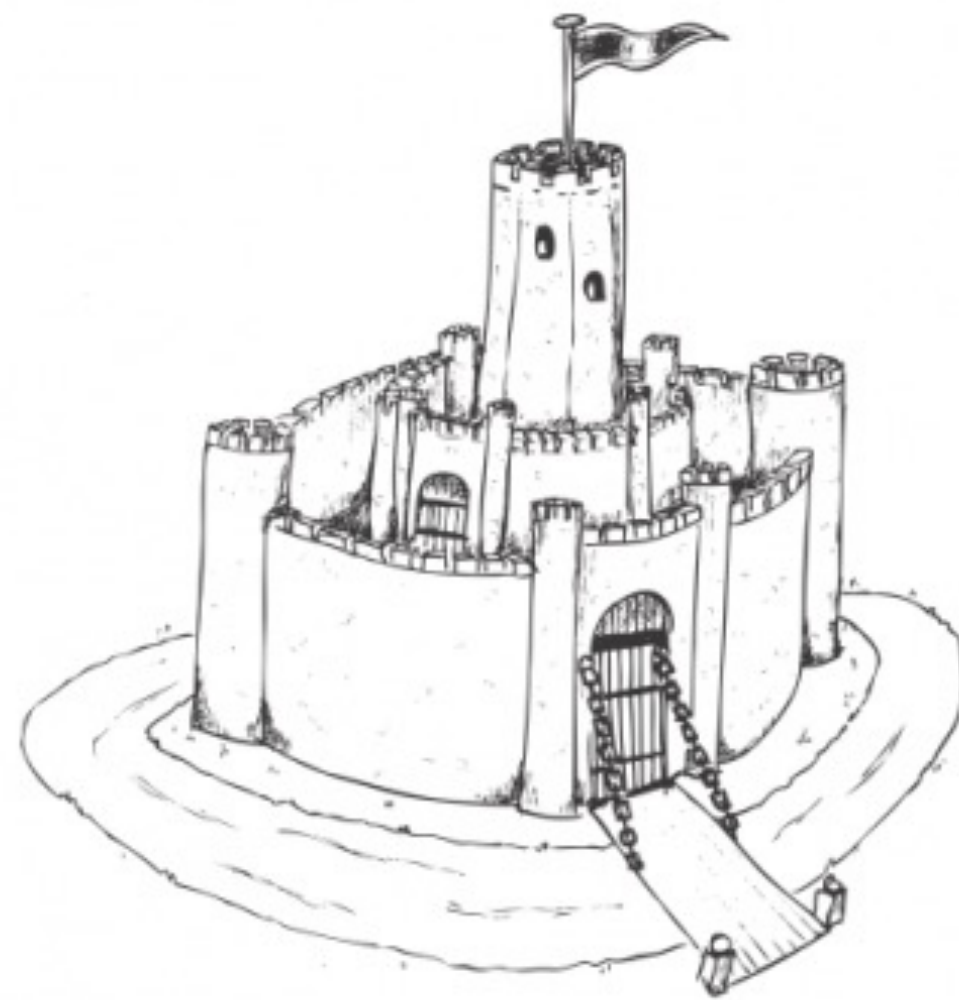


OPERATIONAL SECURITY, FOR WHAT ACTUALLY?

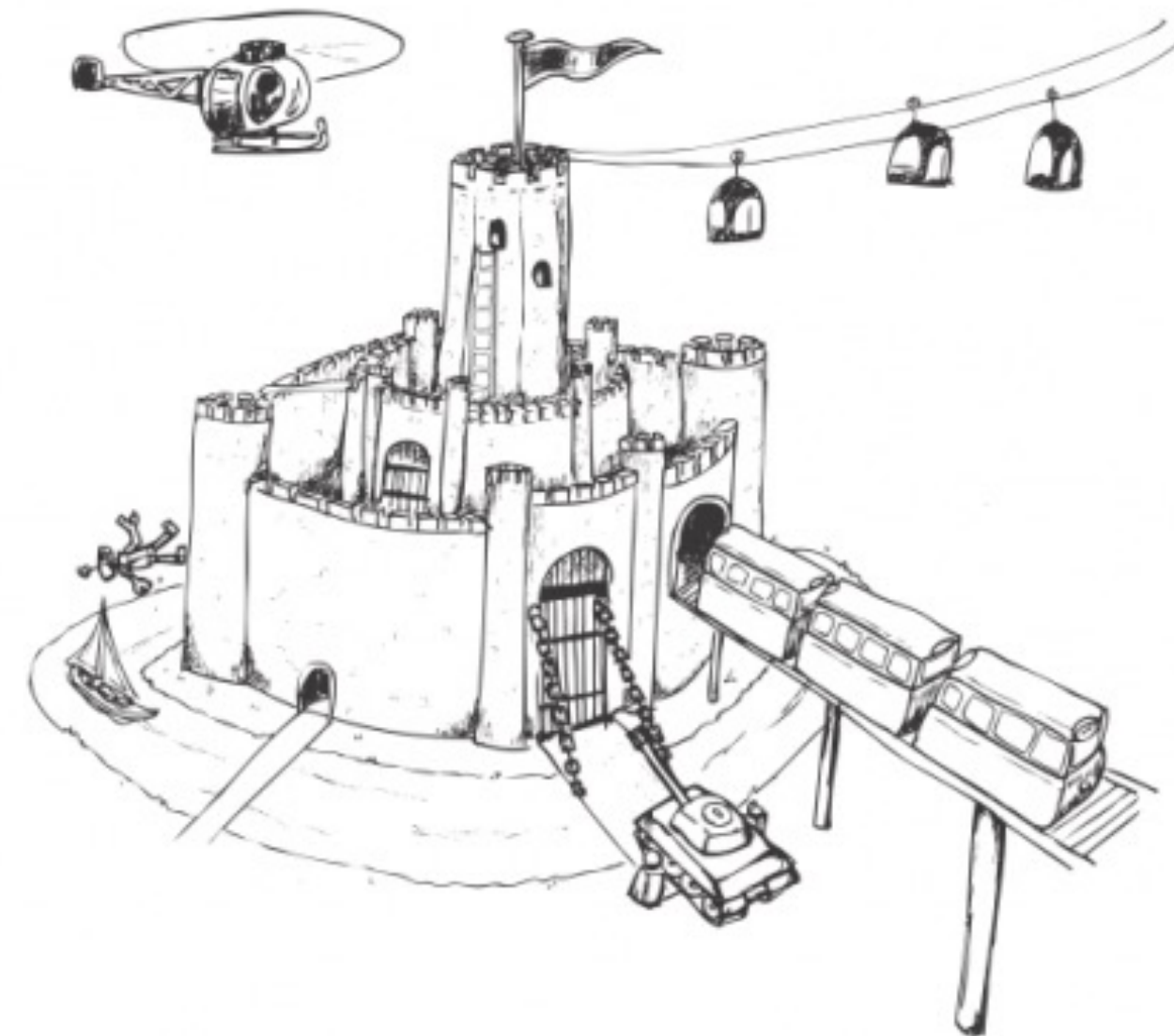
CASTLE MODEL IN IT SECURITY

DOES THIS REALLY WORK IN OUR ENVIRONMENT?

Castle Model of Security



Castle Model in Reality

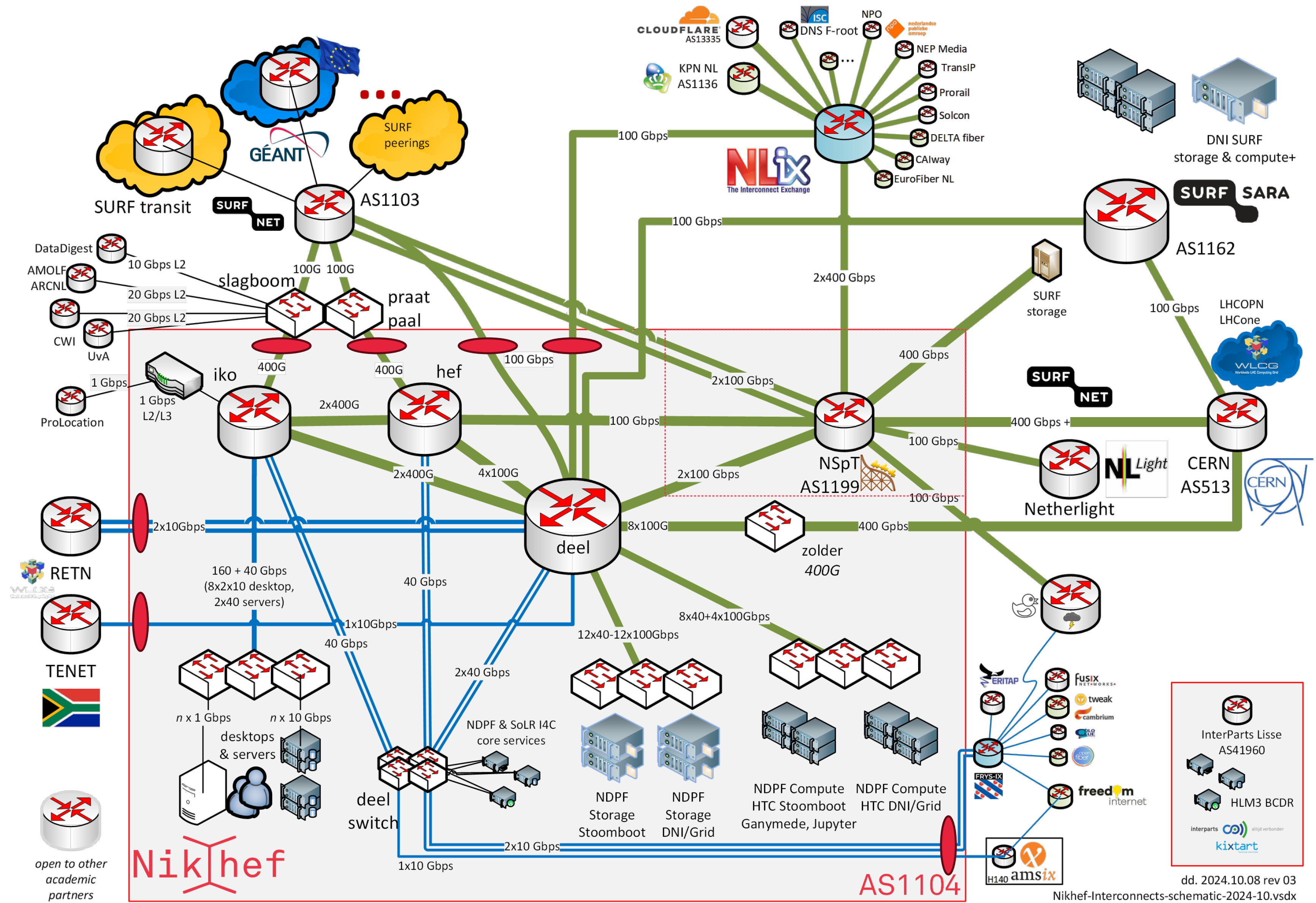


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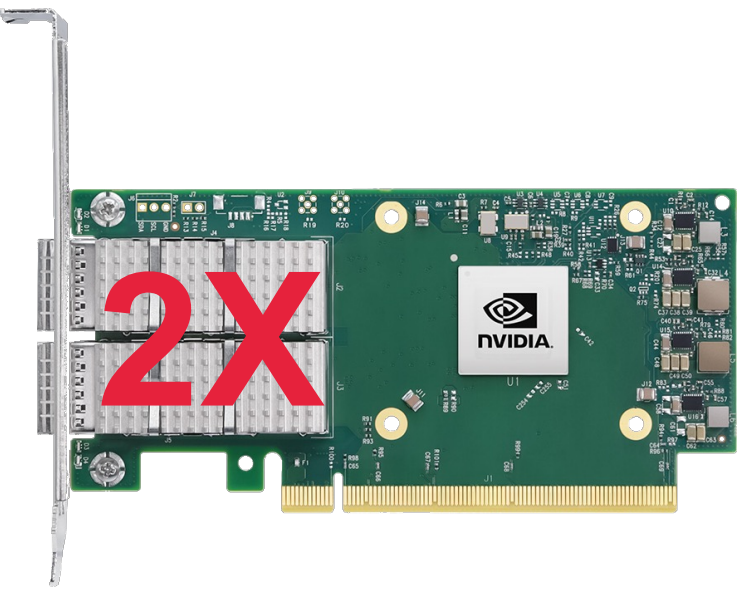
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A collection of
processes, people and technologies
that support the cybersecurity staff of
an organization in **identifying**
anomalies in their environment and in
successfully **investigating security**
incidents



INFRASTRUCTURE

2X



8X



6X



WHAT DOES THIS PROVIDE US WITH?

real-time situation monitoring

inspection of network traffic

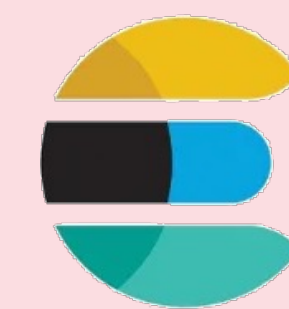
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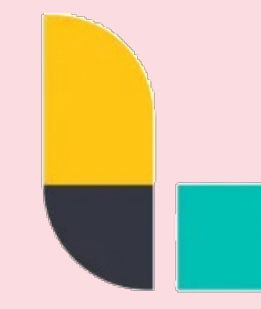
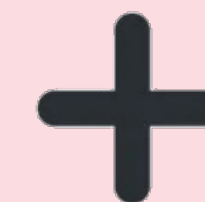
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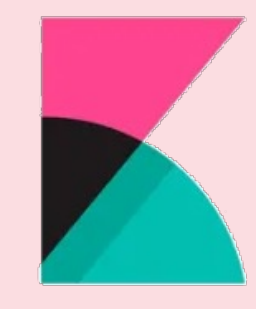
logs of systems on our network



Elasticsearch



Logstash

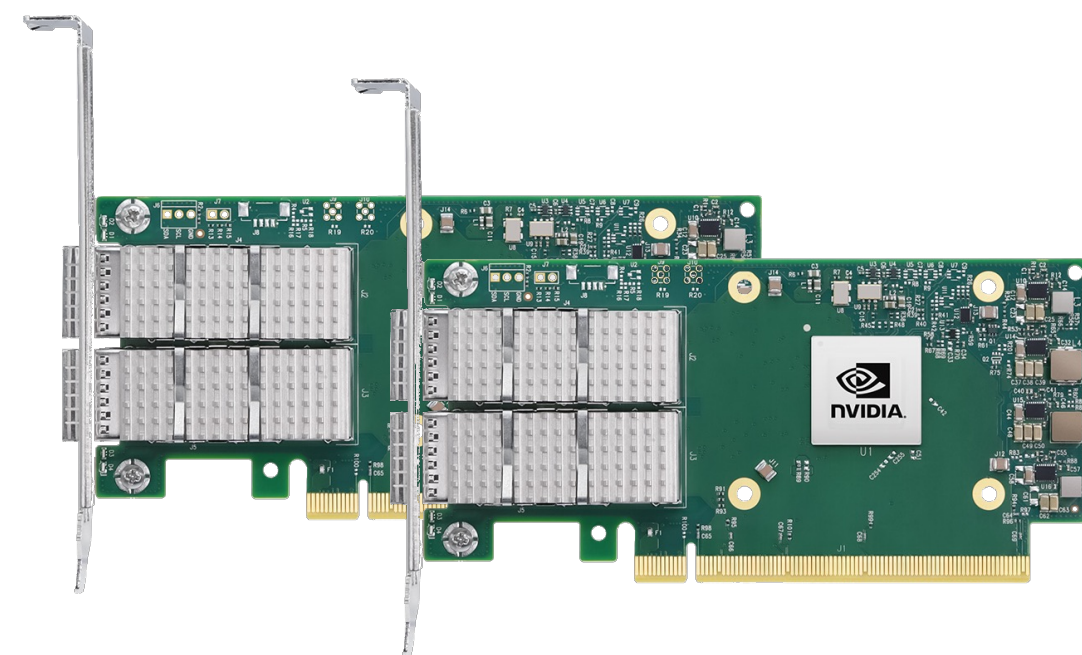


Kibana

HOW DO WE KNOW INDICATORS OF COMPROMISE?



MISP TO ZEEK EXPORT



SYNC



WHAT MAKES IT “AT SCALE”?



3.2Tb/s throughput *

up to 2.38 Bpps *

* times two

easily does 100Gb/s

could in theory
inspect taps at rates
up to 400Gb/s

inspection based on
~40K MISP events

~14TB hot (SSD)

~220TB cold (HDD)

~600GB per day

~52 billion docs

SOME AUXILIARY TOOLS & SERVICES

Attack surface monitoring

- CESNET Pakiti
- Tenable Nessus
- Shodan.io

Manual lookups for reporting

- Kibana
- Netdisco



