

Strategic Level Assessment of Cyber Vulnerability

- Organizational and Global

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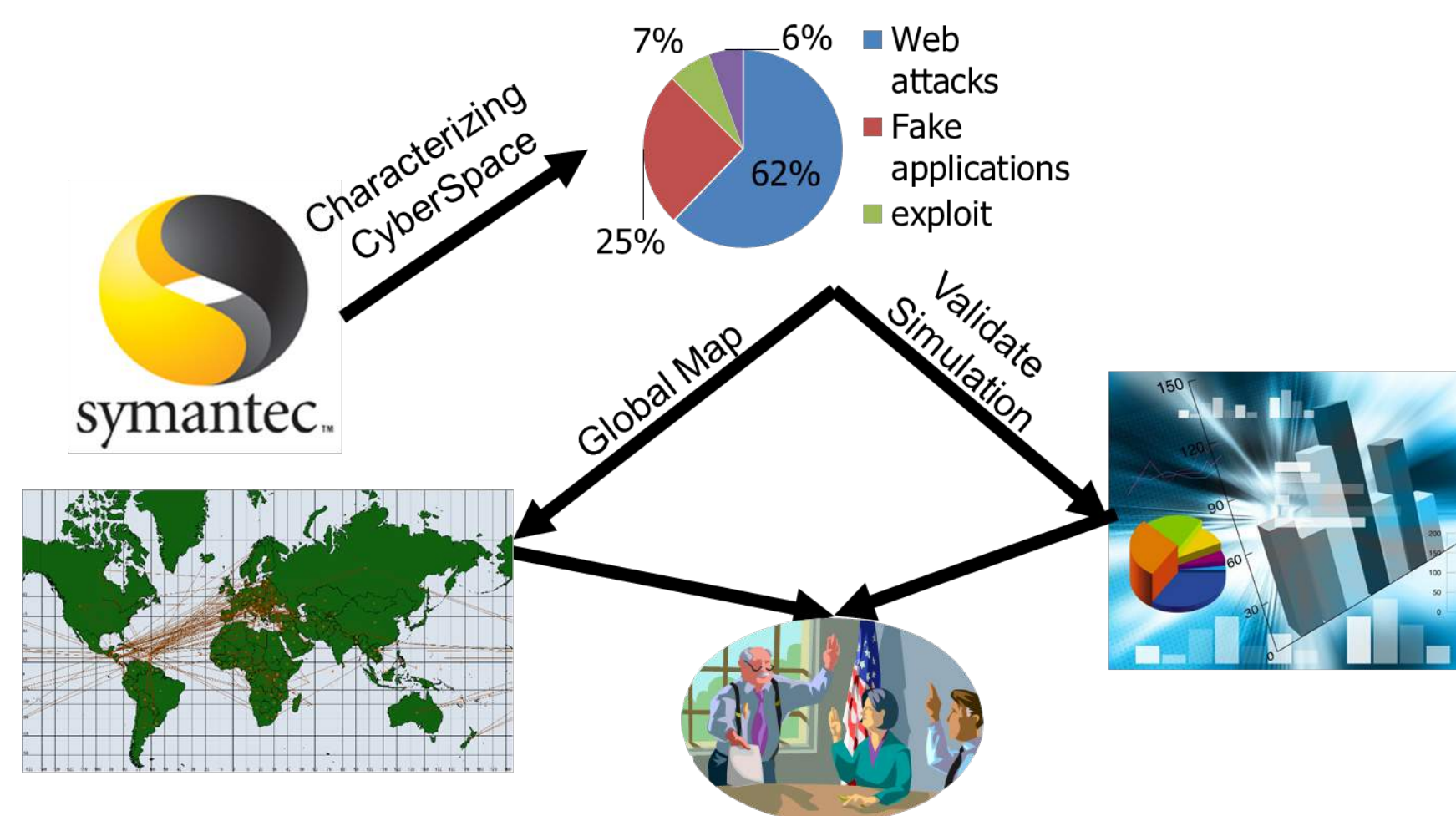
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Problem

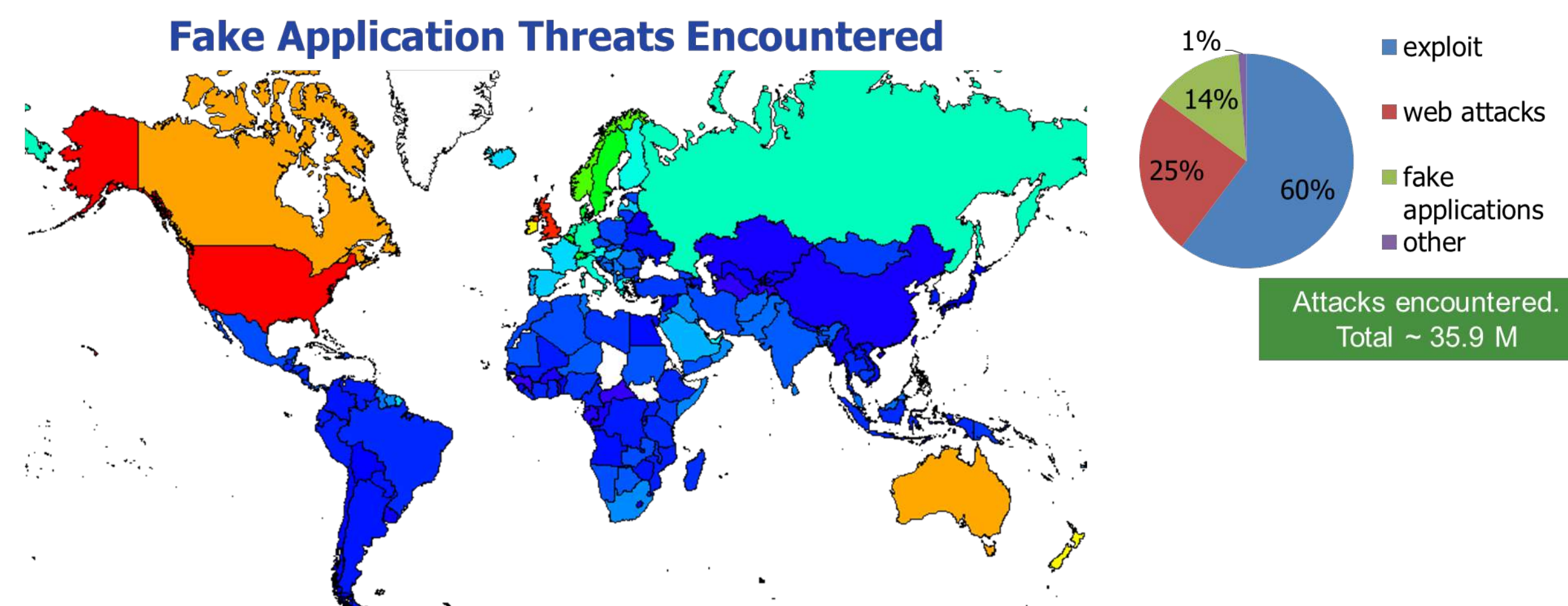
- Goal: Strategic Cyber Assessment
- Global - Identify nation-states likely to have or develop offensive Cyber capability
 - Assess motivation based on social influence
 - Assess capability based on research, trade and pharmaceutical industry
- Organizational Identify Resilient Designs



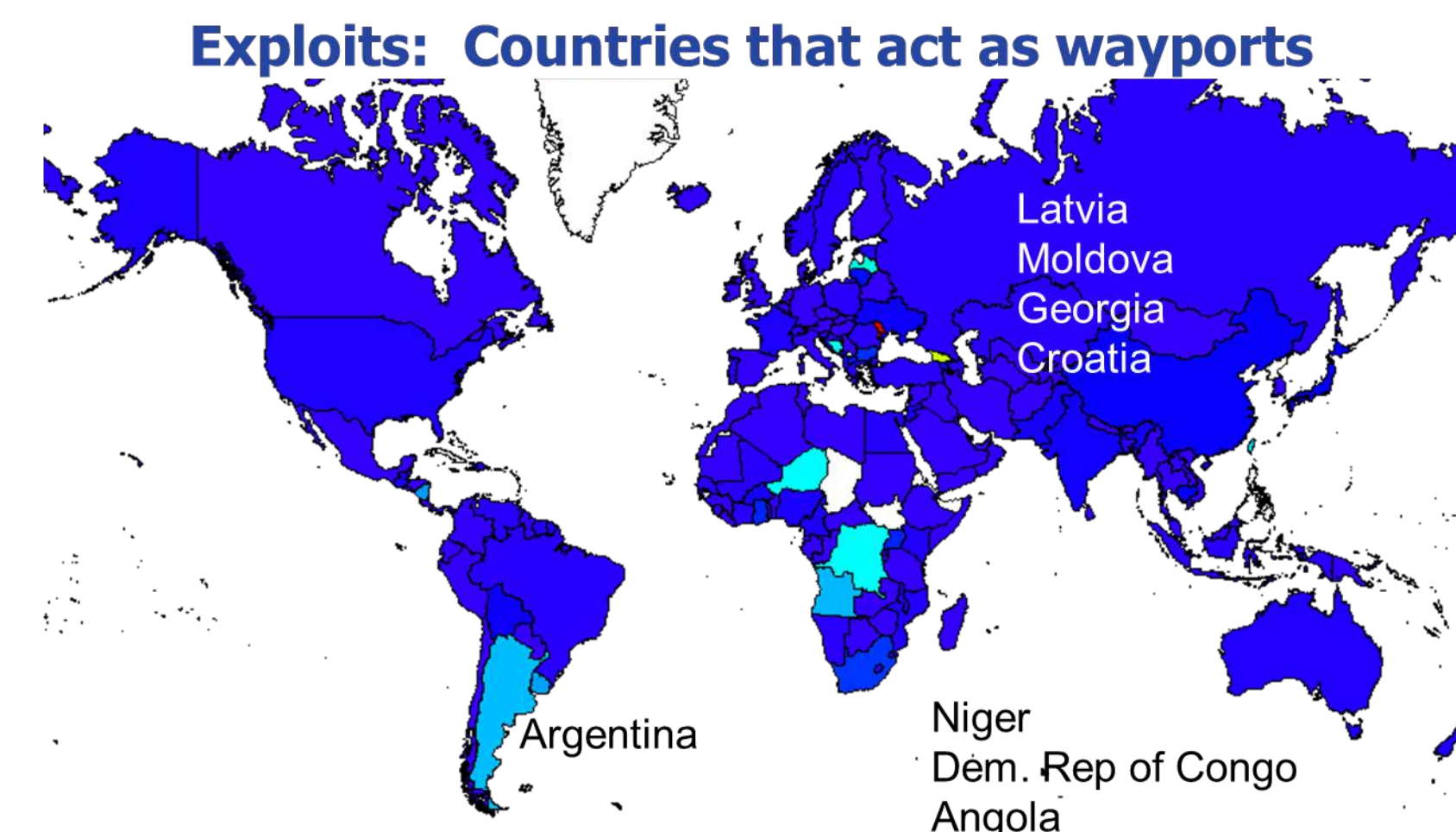
Cyber Attack Facilitator

- Analyze # attacks originating from countries
 - Based on Symantec's WINE data (from ~10 million machines worldwide)
- Findings:
 - Many Eastern European countries among top countries
 - Countries with middle IT usage are those that act as attack facilitators (good infrastructure, bad management)

Vulnerability Assessment

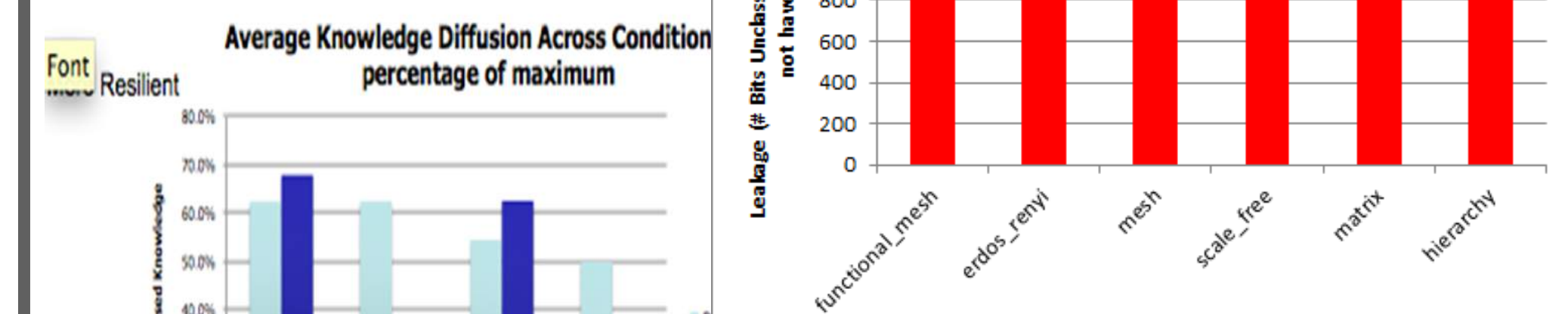
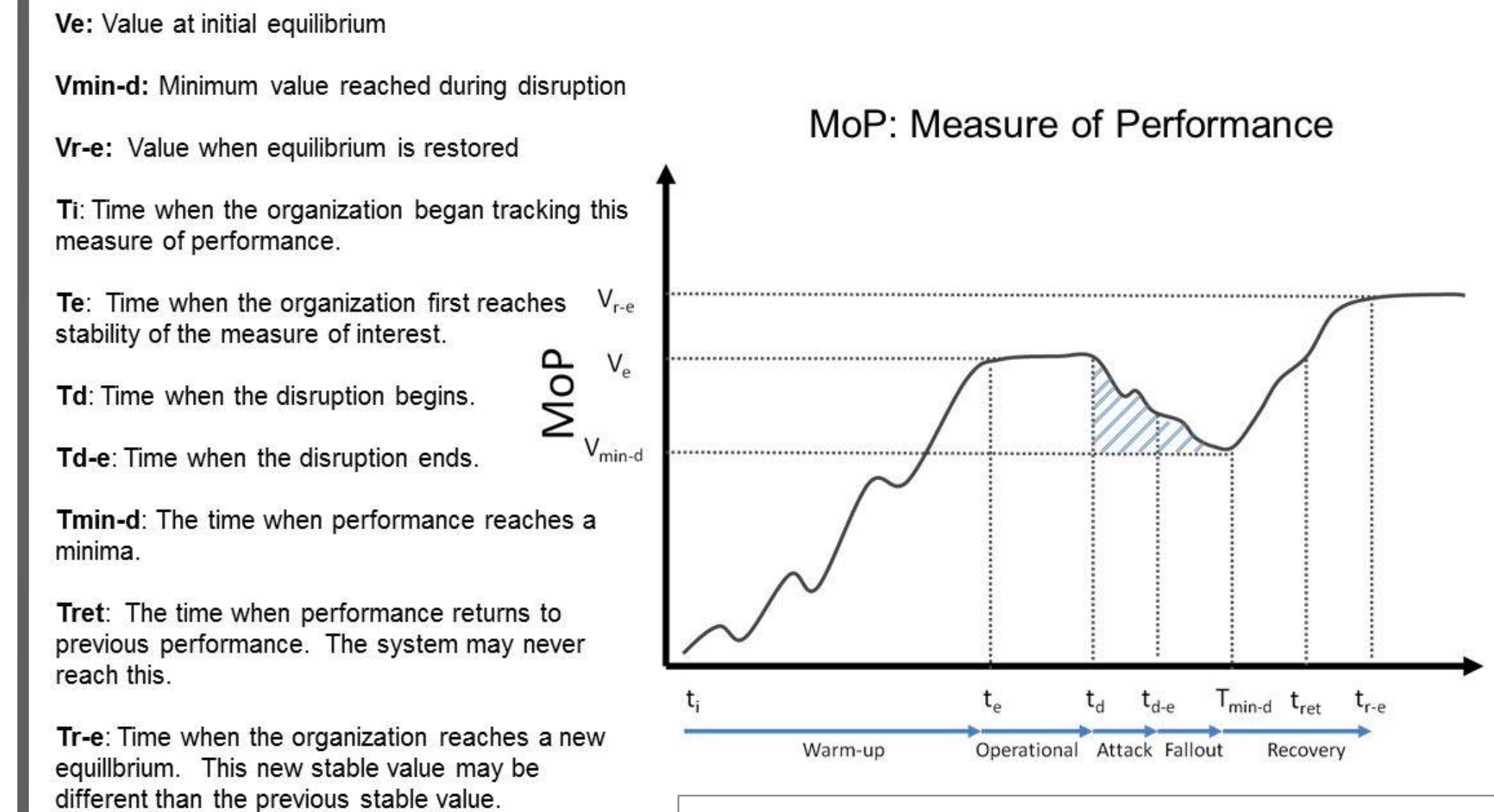


Capability Assessment



Global Context Organizational Impact

Resiliency



- Redundancy increases Resiliency
- Hierarchies minimally impacted by integrity attacks
- Leadership relatively insulated from attacks

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Summary of Results

- Global threat is universal
- Threatening Countries
 - Computers, Poor process, High Corruption
- Web exploits increasingly common
- Organizations at risk
 - Distributed/Networked
- General
 - Any attack increases leaks
 - Most attacks irrelevant