

# Network Security and e-government

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# Who am I?

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# Agenda

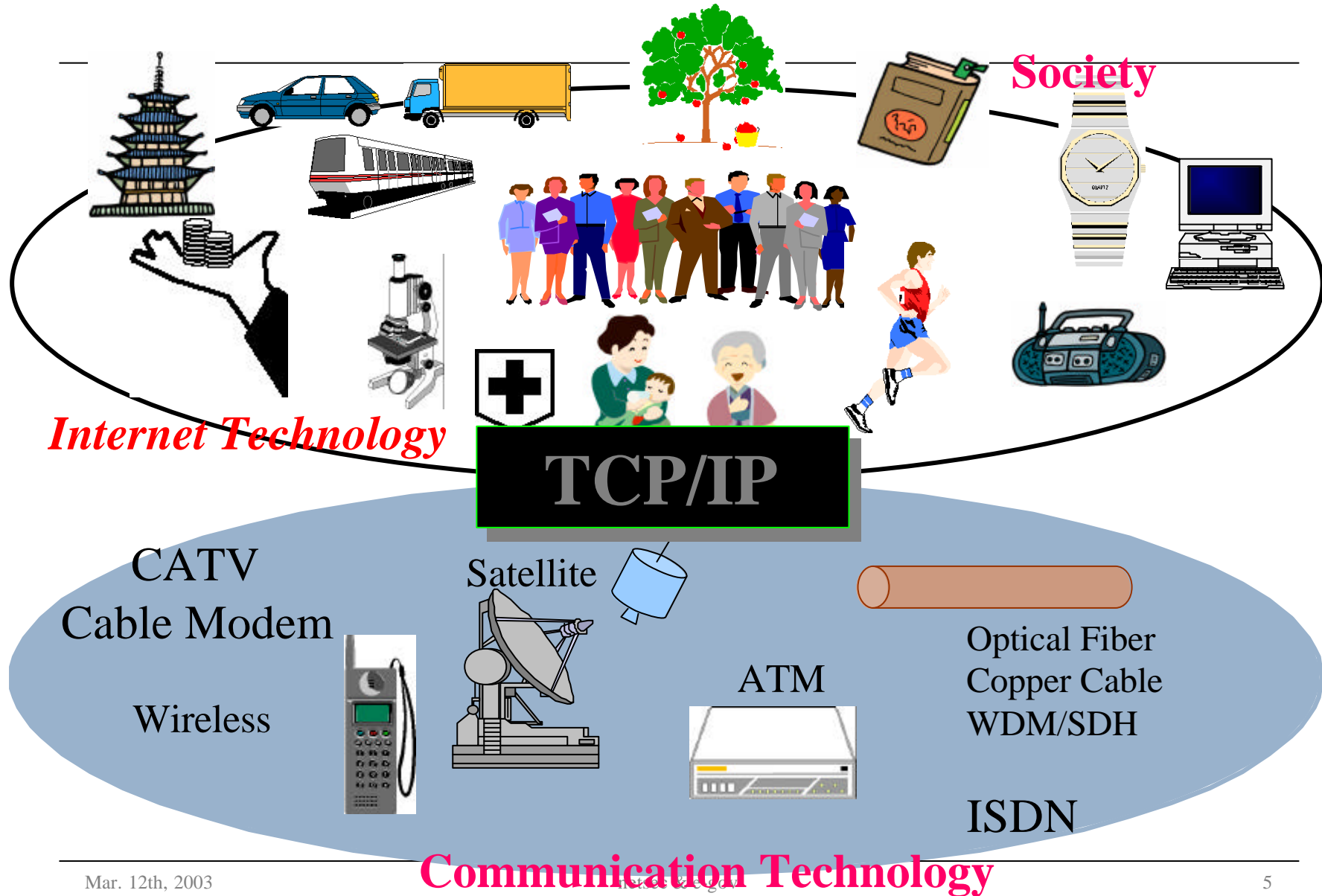
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- What should we do for protecting our infrastructure called "Internet"?
- Going “*e* way” even in government, benefits and risks
- Our case study in JP government
- Regional activities for internet security in AP region

# Internet and its current challenges

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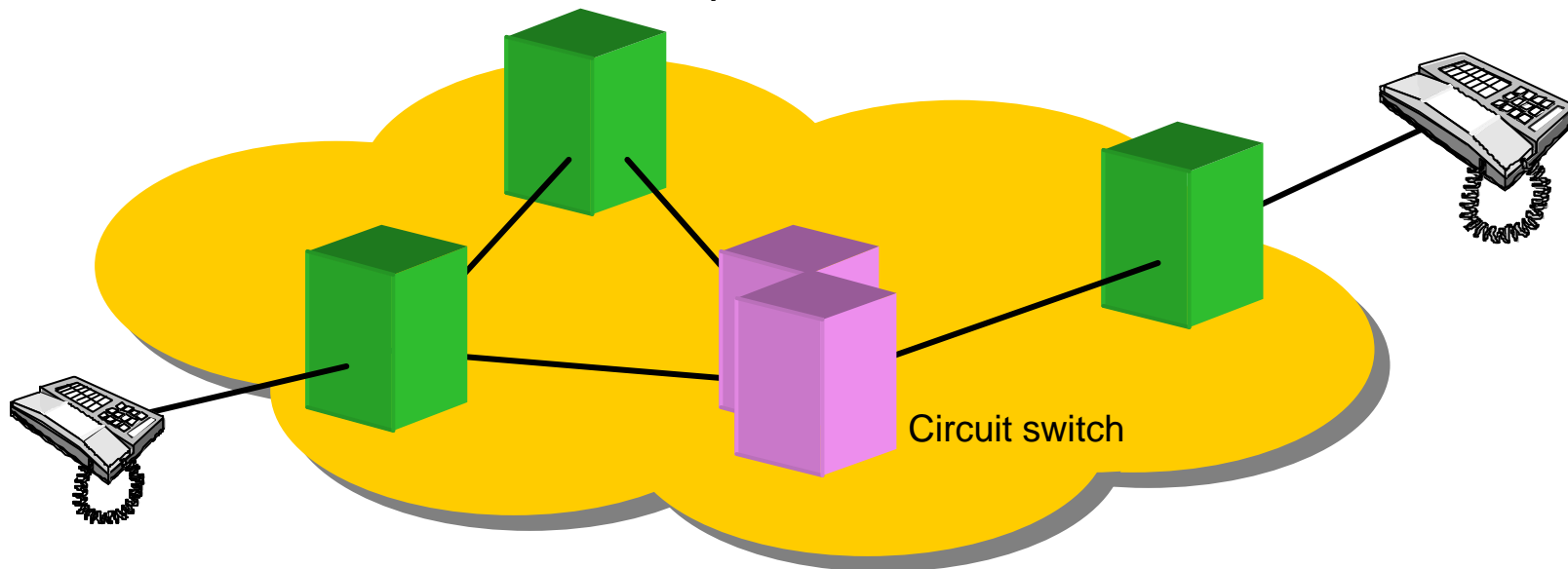
# Internet: Global and Ubiquitous Infrastructure for Communication



# PSTN: services are defined by network

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- Network as service infrastructure
  - End node (terminal) is simple & cheap
  - Services are provided by the network
    - Large investment is required, because there is no “small start”.
    - Only the network operators (telephone companies) have control on which services are provided.

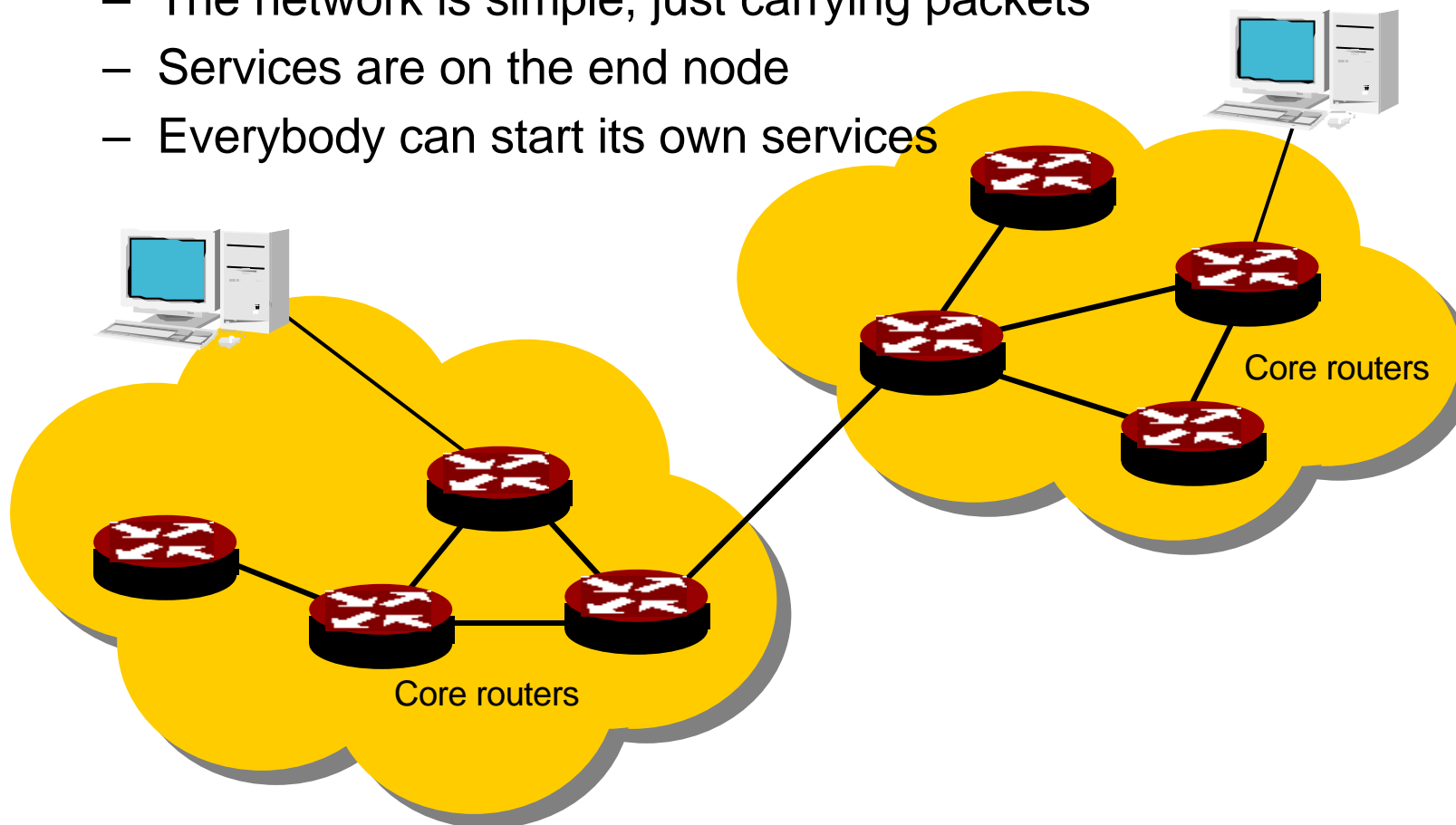


# Internet: services are defined by end node

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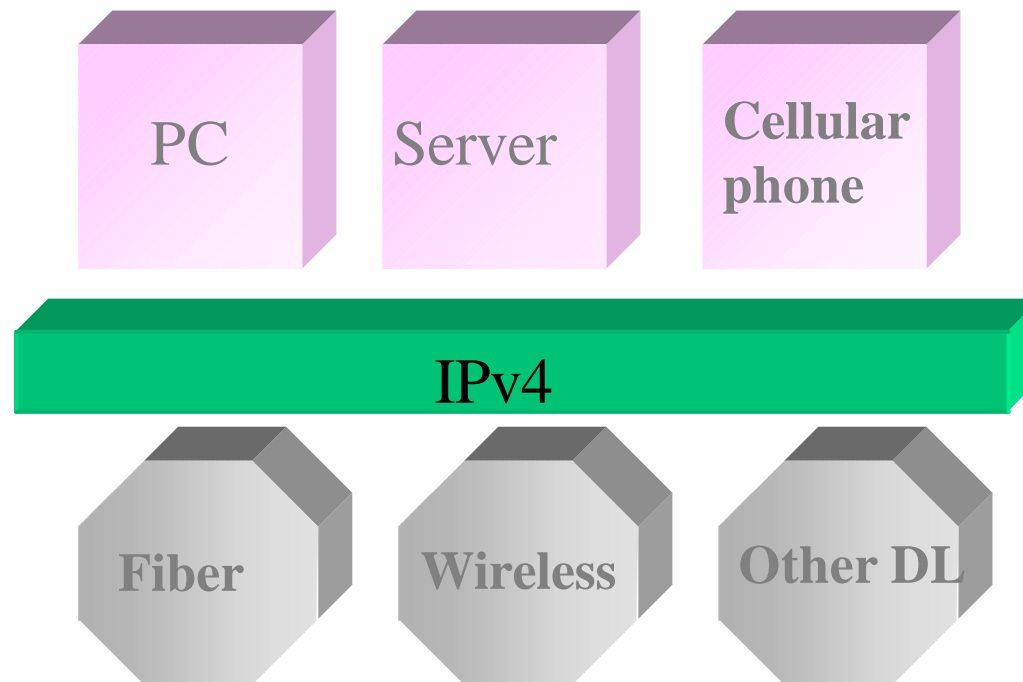
- End-to-End model

- The network is simple, just carrying packets
- Services are on the end node
- Everybody can start its own services



# Internet in "Today"

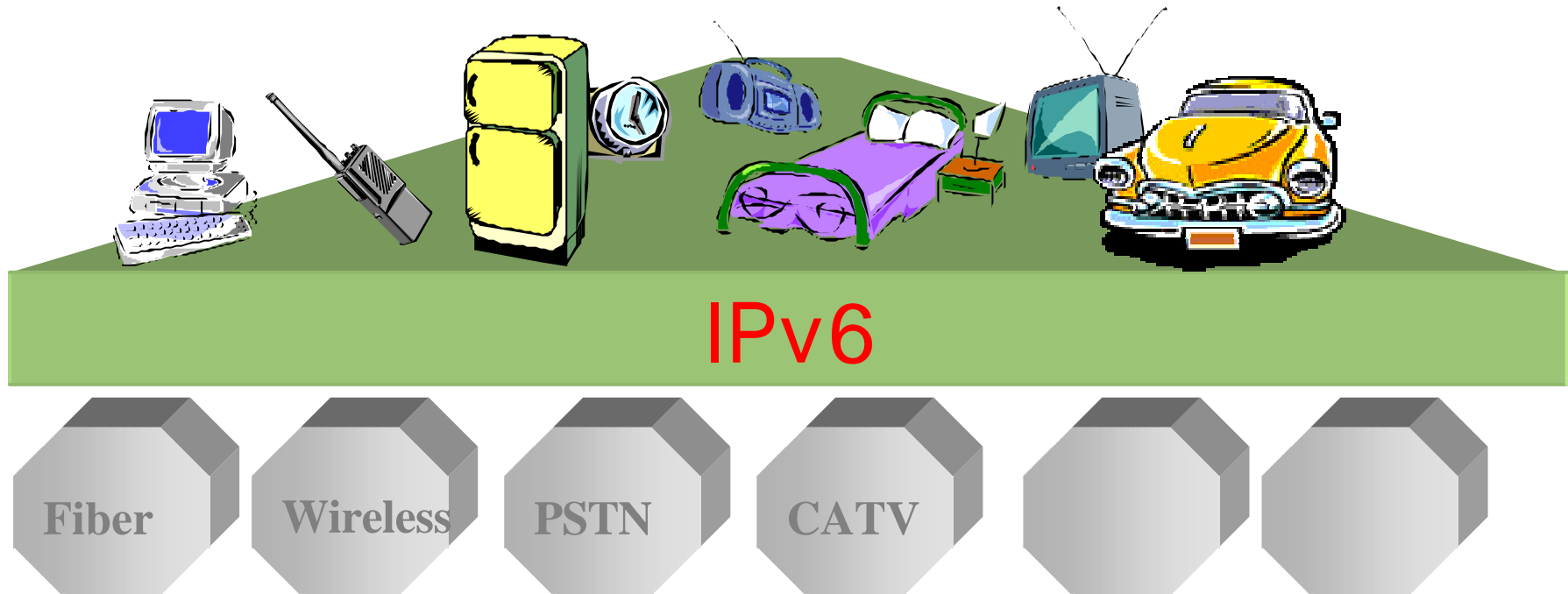
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# Internet for everything

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# Business on the Internet

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- Many businesses rely on communication infrastructure
  - At beginning, banking and money transfer infrastructure
  - Some of current existing functions are implemented on the Internet
    - CALS/EDI
    - Online banking, trading, procurement, ....
- Large firms, small businesses and individuals are now using the Internet for their business
  - Internet is an universal digital/computer communication infrastructure
  - E-mail and WWW are vital

# Challenges fore more deployment

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- Coverage
  - Equal access
- Security
  - The Internet is now carrying actual “goods”
  - Protecting our money is highly required, similar to the actual world.
- Social System
  - Harmonize with current existing social systems
    - Law, “de facto” commerce procedures, ....
    - Provide a method to resolve civil cases even digital infrastructure is used.

# E-Government

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# What is e-government? (1)

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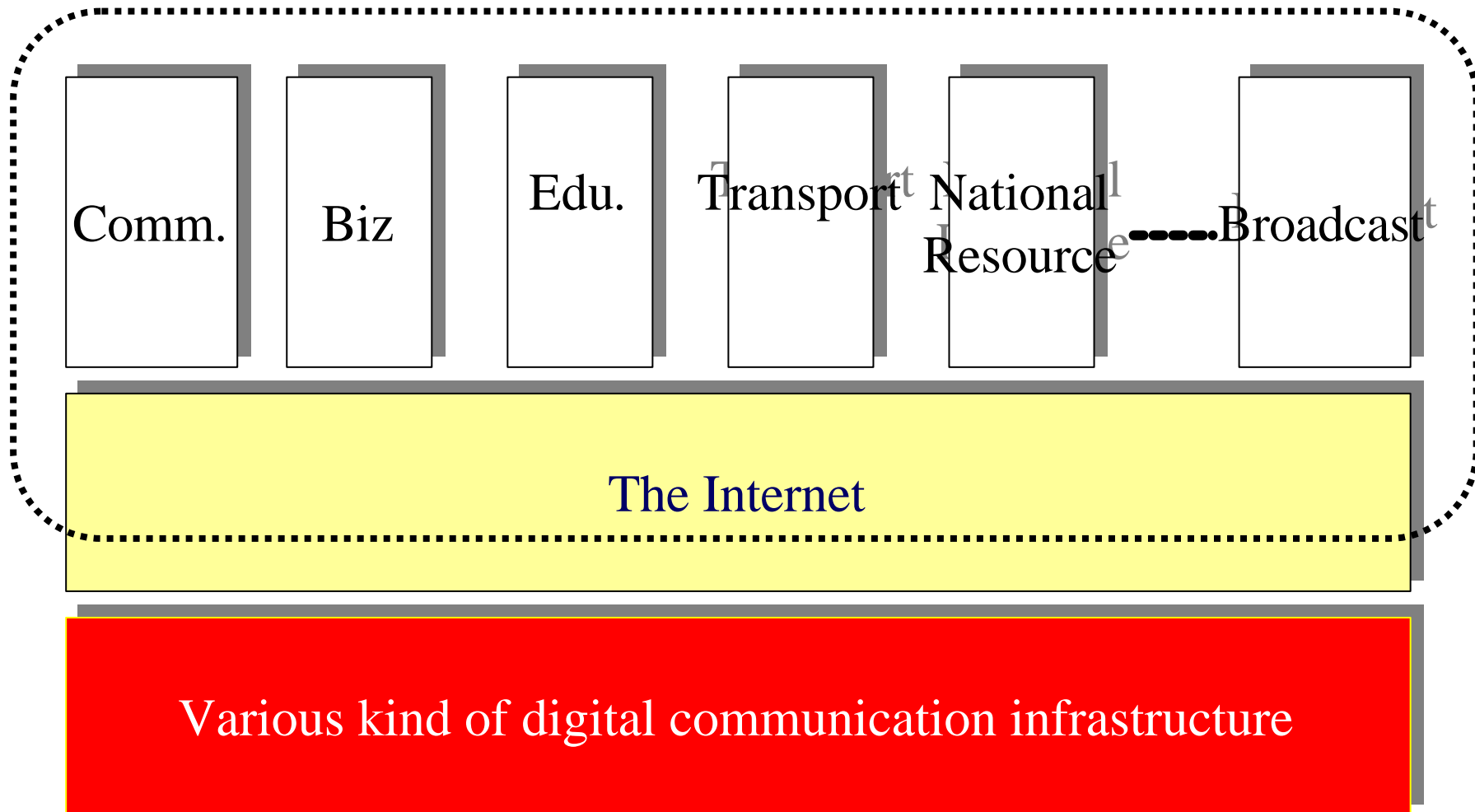
- Online services for public administration
  - Businesses go online. Why doesn't the Government go online?
  - Use computer & network in the process between public and privates
    - Ex. JP government case
    - Approx. 2000 procedures are existing between public/private interaction (notification, permissions, ....)
    - Remove "by document, with actual stuff, at office" principal
    - By 2005, 1360 procedures will be online.

# What is e-government? (2)

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- Steps forward to “Business Process Restructuring”
  - High performance government
  - Interaction between national and regional
    - Delegates the actual process to regional administration body
    - Ex. Issuing passport, drivers’ license, car registration, ...
  - Making communication infrastructure for various kind of “public services” by both national and regional administration body

# E-government in 2005 (JP)



# http://www.e-gov.go.jp/

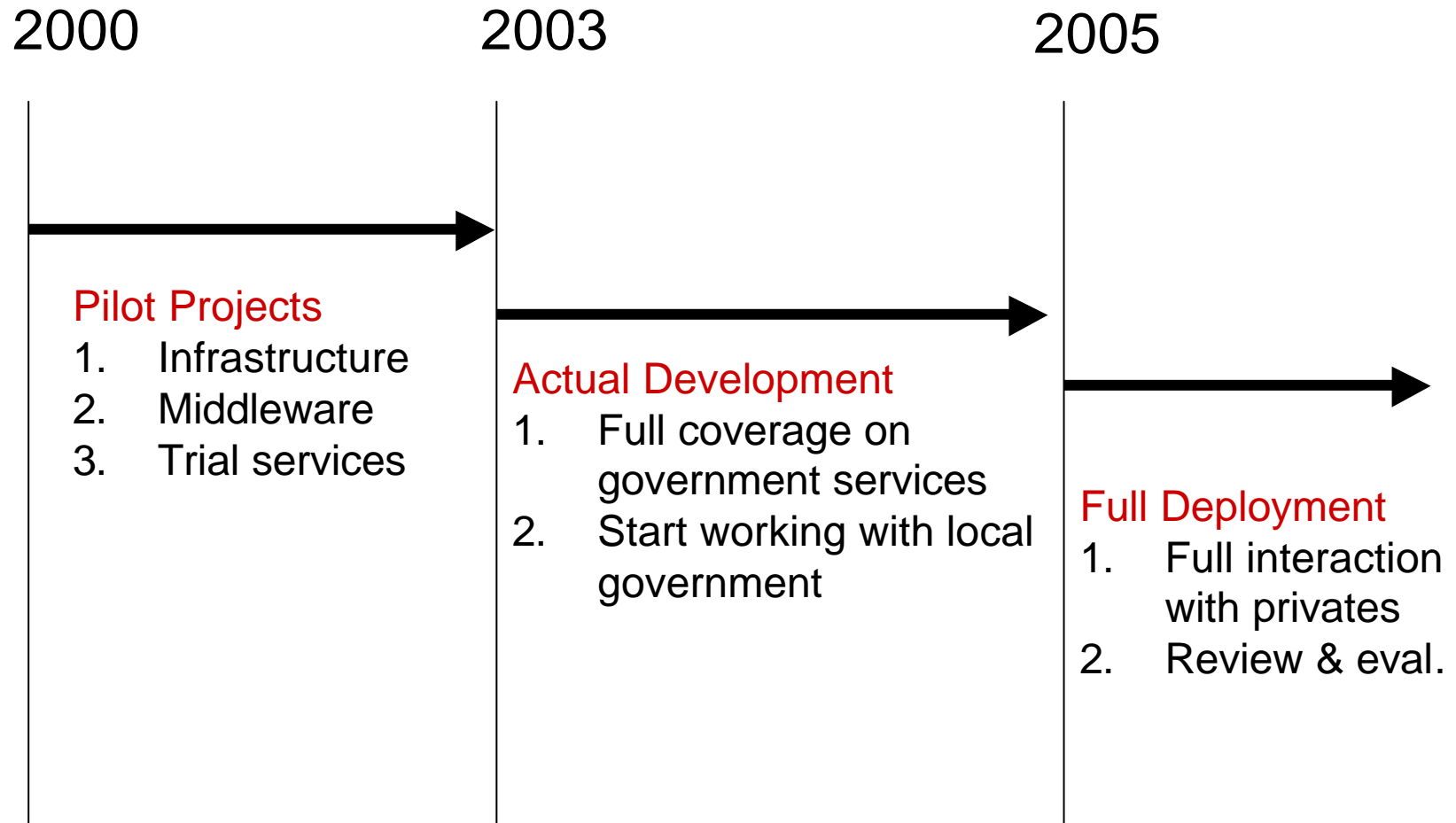
- E-gov portal site
  - One stop service
  - Single window service
  - “online”



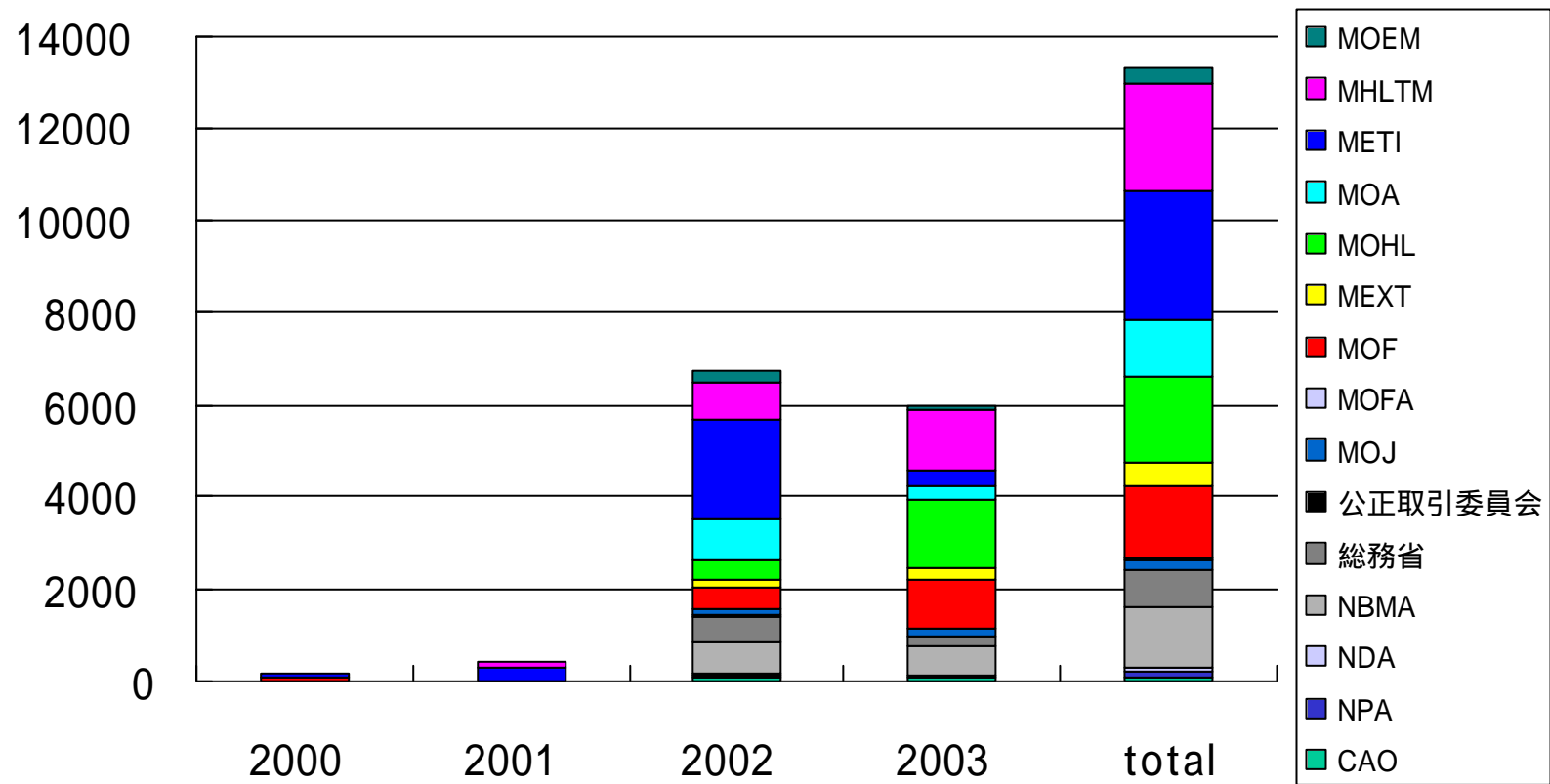


# Development Process

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# E-government progress in JP gov.



# Components

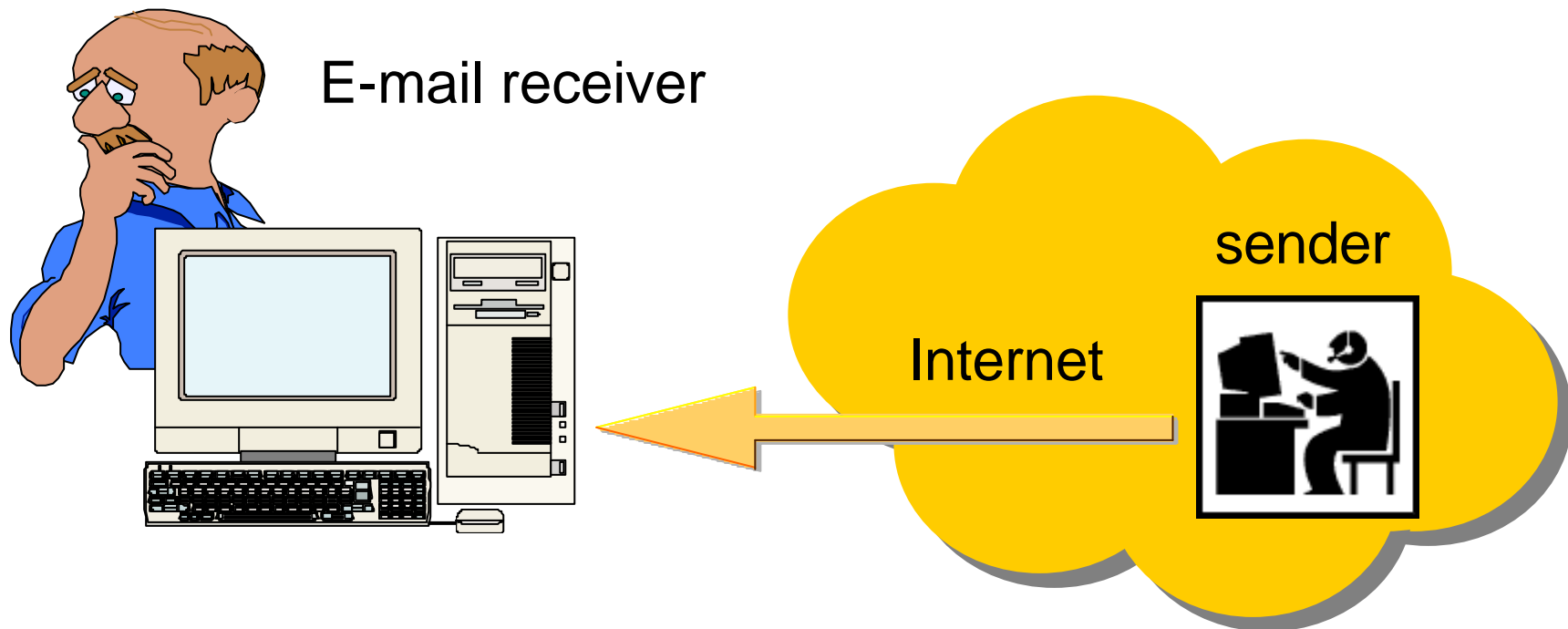
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- Infrastructure
  - Network for ministries and agencies in government
  - Cryptography & PKI
- Software / Middleware
  - Accelerating development of services
  - Common platform and common middleware
    - WWW and meta platform for “service description”
- Revision on regulations / laws / orders...
  - Digital signature and privacy management
  - Simplify procedures to fit them to online services
  - Payment for handling charges
  - ....

# Identity is required in many situation

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How can we know who really sent the e-mail?



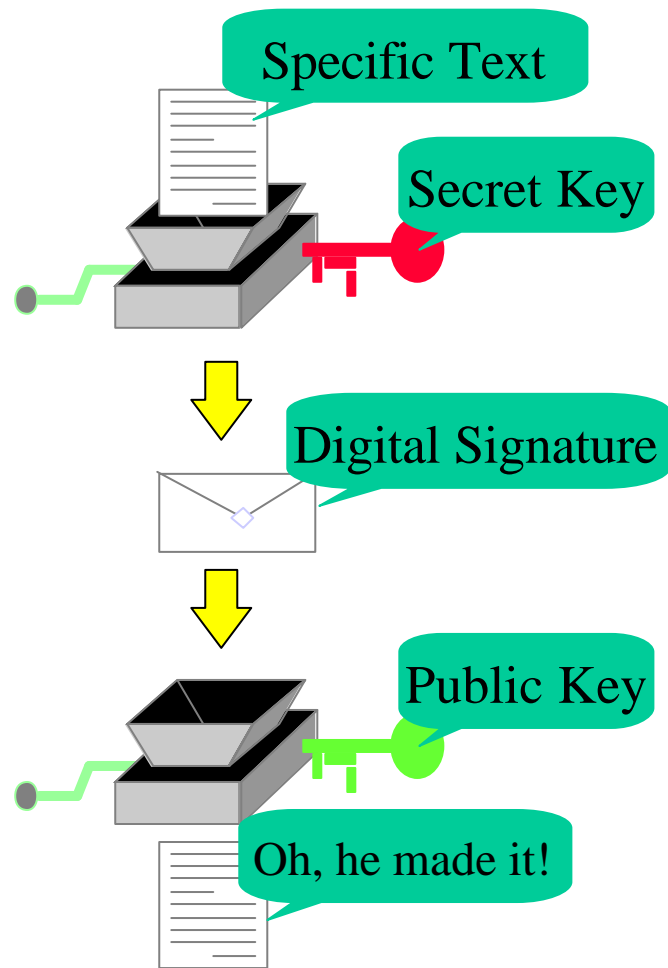
# What is PKI?

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- Public-Key Infrastructure
  - Digital signature using asymmetric key (public key) cryptography mechanism
    - Originally developed by DH in 1974
  - Scalable / trustful public key management infrastructure is a key idea of PKI
    - Using “trusted third party” model to ensure the correctness of the certificates.
    - Not limited to the Internet services
  - Many Applications exist
    - Secure Web Access via SSL/TLS (https)
    - Encrypted/Signed E-mail (S/MIME)
    - Applet Verification (Java, Active-X, etc.)

# Mechanism of Digital Signature

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- Using public key cryptography
  - Public key is widely available
  - Secret key is kept secretly only at the holder
- Sending specific text which is also known by receiver
- If the encrypted text can be decrypted properly, then the sender is the person who has the public key!
- Digital Signature

# What can PKI provide?

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- Authentication
- Integrity
- Confidentiality

# GPKI (1)

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- Authentication and digital signature infrastructure which can work with e-government services
  - Government-PKI
  - Authentication platform inside the government to show identity of position (not person!)
    - Permissions are issued under the name of “minister” not “the person itself”
  - Workable with other PKI existing in private sectors
    - We are now using PKI applications and services
    - Bridging CA model
      - Single window to bridge government and private sectors

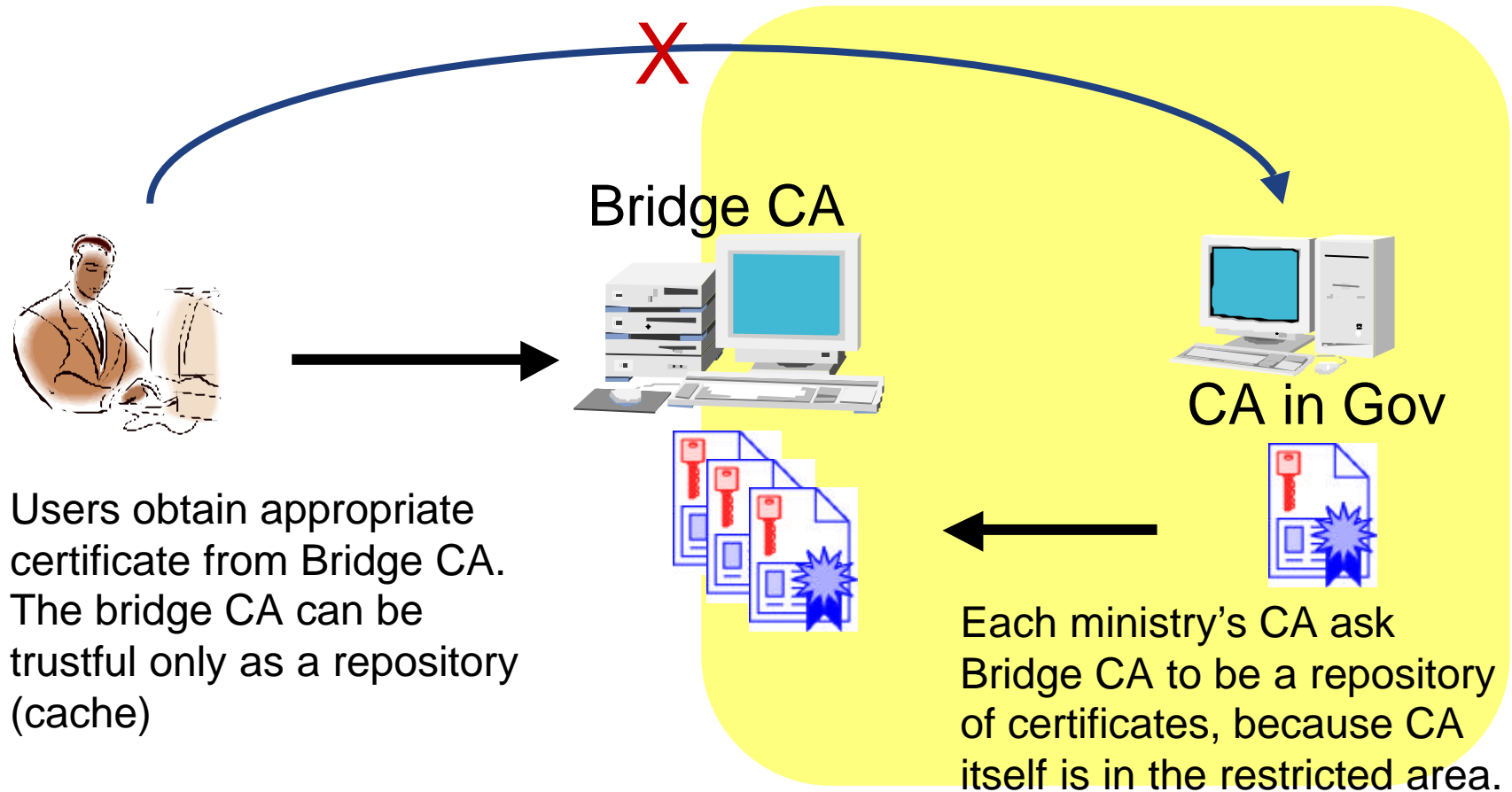


## GPKI (2)

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- Each ministry now operates its own CA
  - Certification Authority
  - Multiple CA are existing and they are completely isolated from others
- In private sector, multiple root CA are in operation
  - “forest”, not “tree”
- Mutual/Cross authentication is the matter
  - Several candidate
  - GPKI (jp) and FPKI (us) are now using Bridge-CA model to reduce complicated management factor (single window is a quite simple enough)

# Bridge CA: single window to access CA's



# PKI in public

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- Issue X.509 certificates for individuals and legitimate entities (firms, companies, ...)
  - Digital signature using these certificates are effective and have to be handled as a real “signature”
  - Government set a new regulation in 2000
    - Digital signature regulation
    - Issuers’ requirement
    - Issuer registration procedures
  - Government does have a control of certificates for non-individual legitimate entities.
    - Because company registration have to be handled simultaneously.

# What we have to do

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- System development
  - Actual system development in the government
  - Mainly resides on the Internet for providing its services to the public, but it surely work together with the current existing systems in private sectors.
- Change regulations
  - Review and change if needed.
  - Consistent policy on the work
- Evaluation
  - Objectives, review, ....

# Vital component for e-Gov project

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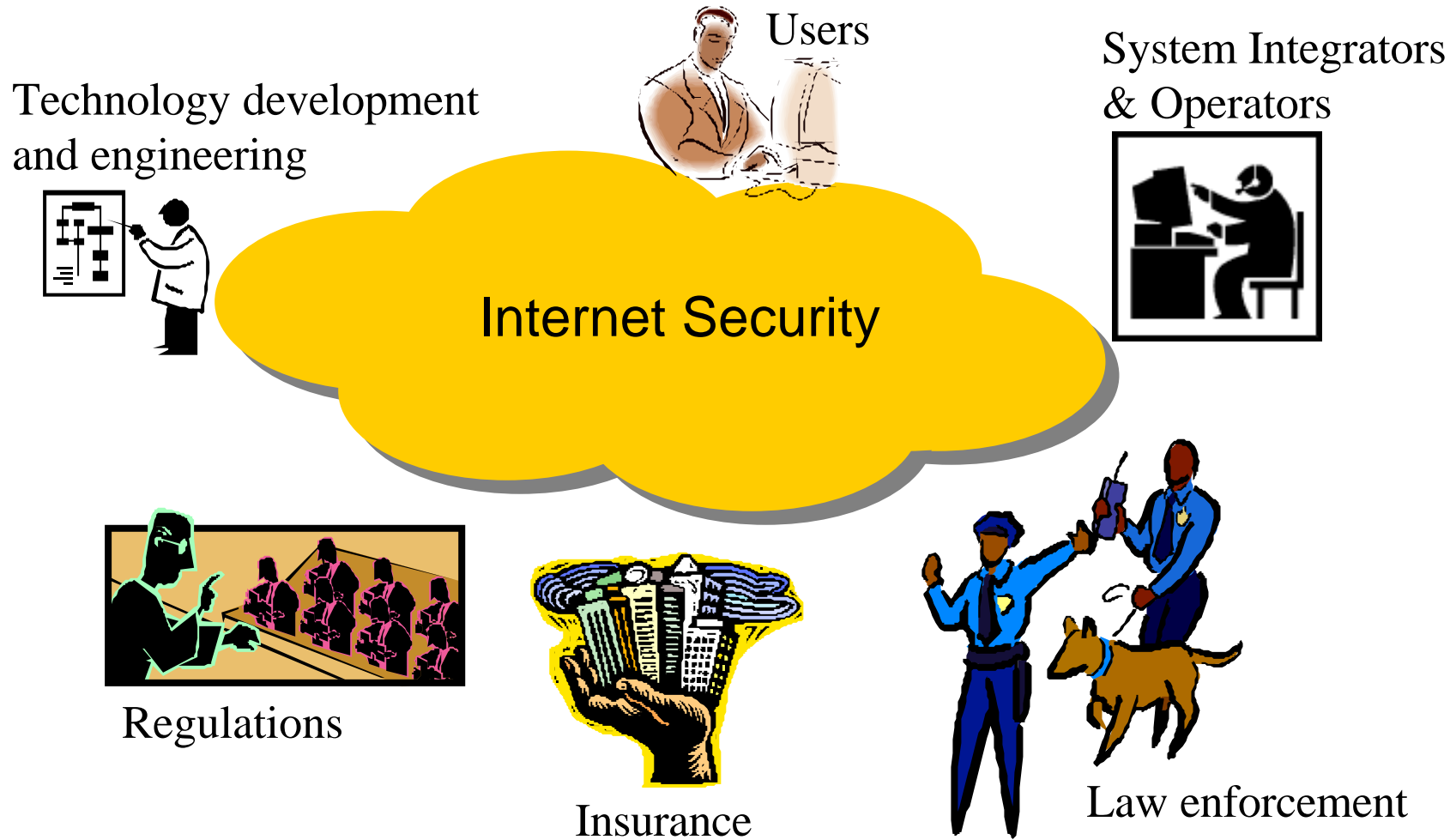
- Clearly defined objectives
  - If your government does not have any consensus on what we'll make and its objectives, your e-Government project will surely be failed.
- Evaluation mechanism
  - If your government does not have any mechanism to review and evaluate the project in public, your project will surely be failed.
- Professional human resources
  - If your government does not have any professional human resource on computer systems/communication/network involved to the e-Government design process, your project will never be launched properly and also never be accepted to the public.

# Protect e-government platform called Internet

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# Who is involved?

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# What government should do?

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- Protect your infrastructure for e-government project
  - Network and computation resources in your government
  - Enrich your security management
  - Rules and orders for internals.
  
- Develop “culture of security”
  - Make social system to fit to e-way
  - Regulations, orders, guidelines, laws, policy, .....
  - Awareness and outreach
  - Equal access
  - Fund for technology development



# Government actions

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- Set policy on cryptography
- Funding for security technology research and development
- Deliver sustainable awareness program for public
- Introduce international standard: ISO15408 and 17799
- Human resource development for security management
- Force all the ministries and agencies to set their own security policy and security management procedures
- Set some regulations and laws for digital signature, stop illegal access, privacy, using government owned databases, .....
- Develop CSIRT team inside government and help CSIRT in public sector
- Set “Infrastructure protection program”
- .....

# What is security management? (1)

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- Documentation & Logging

- Security Policy:

- Develop a document on what should be protected and how we protect. This document should be simple enough to allow everyone understand.

- Guidelines & Procedures:

- Develop documents or manuals as emergency procedures, daily management, etc.

- Review and evaluate these documents if we have any kind of incident

- Revise if needed.

# Security Policy and its Procedures

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- Top level statement on the security management
  - “security policy”
  - Make things clear in terms of security management
    - What is your information assets?
    - What is your mission?
    - Who has the right to stop the services?
    - Who has the right to evaluate the systems?
    - Who has an active role of management of e-government components?
    - ....
  - According to the security policy, we have to develop several procedures as its breakdown
  - BPR (Business Process Restructuring)

# What is security management? (2)

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- Maintain measures to check if the procedure is executed as it was defined.
  - **Audit**
  - If any kind of problem was found, then you have to make improvement on management, procedures themselves, then resolve the problem.
    - Do not leave them without any resolution
    - Give appropriate power for entity who deliver the “audit”

# What is security management? (3)

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- Set rules for everyone in the group
  - Cover everyone, every entity. No exception!
    - Everybody are in the same boat.....
  - Integrity on rules is important
    - Awareness and comprehensive understandings
  - Guidelines and rules on various area
    - Procurement process
    - Software requirement
      - Source code, ISO15408, GPKI middleware, ....

# What is security management? (4)

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- Usability can not be sacrificed.
  - Digital platform is now a dependable infrastructure, therefore, its performance is the matter.
  - Security management may put more burden on users.
    - But, not acceptable if the burden causes drawbacks on performance
    - But, security management is required
  - Use “Money”
    - Investment
    - Introduce technology and engineering to achieve well designed security management platform, even they are not making usability sacrificed.
    - CISO (Chief information and Security Officer) is in charge of the design.
      - CISO should know the actual work environment
      - CISO should have well trained communication capability to make negotiations and arrangement with actual workers.
      - CISO should know technology also!
  - Each ministry has its own CISO
    - But, ultra high level office can work for this role?

# What is security management? (5)

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- Make involvement from many areas
  - Not limited to technology/engineering area
  - Financial management
  - HRM (Human Resource Management) and other RM
  - Regulations and Laws
  - Public Relations and Publicity activities
  - ....

# What is security management? (6)

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- Security management is done by professional works
  - Leading edge technologies
    - Fight against bad guys who have technologies
  - Update, renew, improvement, replace to more advanced tech.
  - Professional is highly required.



# Alliance among CSIRTs in AP

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# CSIRT

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- Computer Security Incident Response Team
  - The concept was originally developed by U.S. during the incident called “Internet Worm” in 1988.
    - CERT/CC
  - There are several types of CSIRT existing.
    - Under government
    - NPO
    - Commercial services and Customer support
    - ....

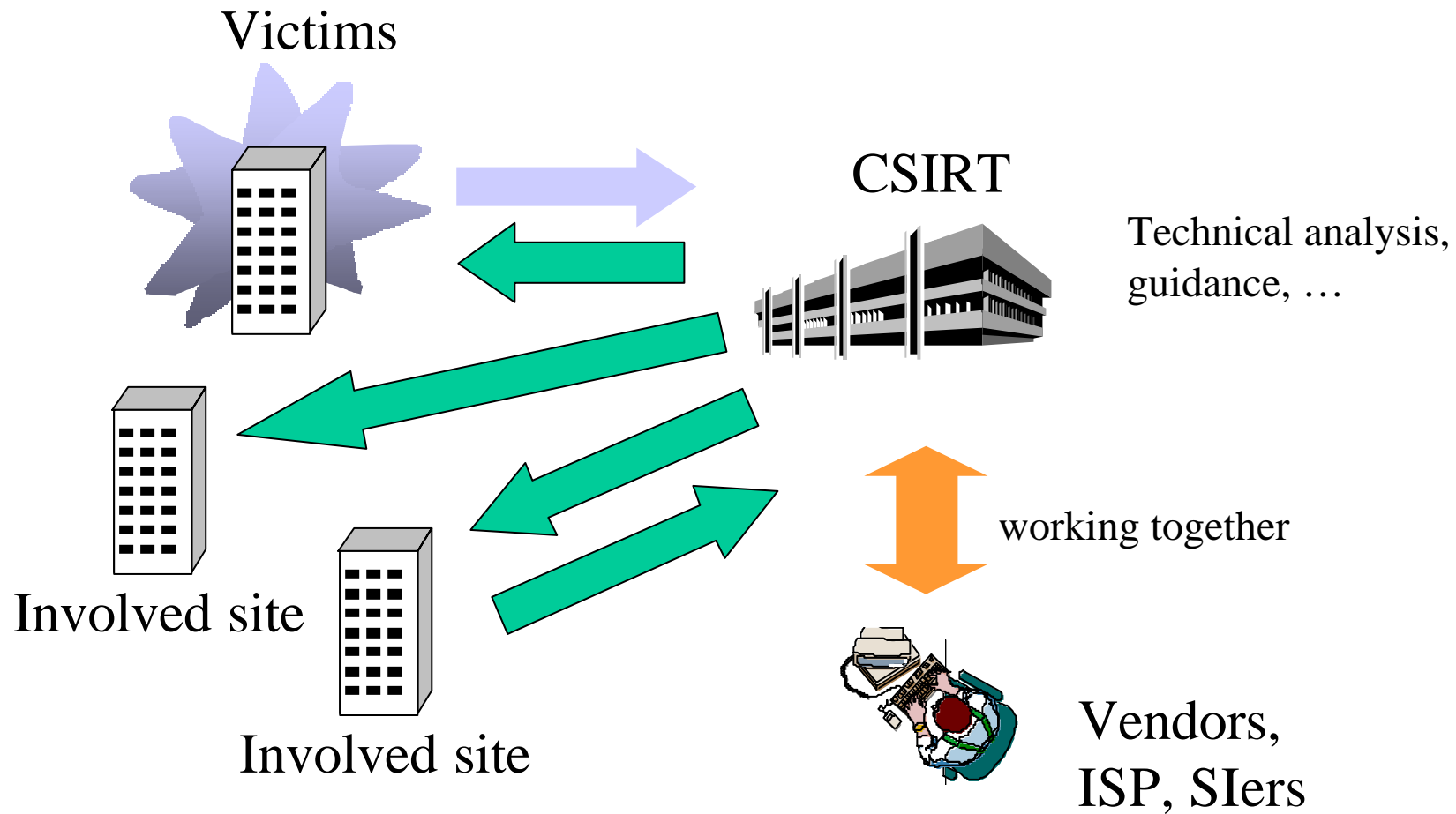
# CSIRT: its functions

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- Provide response to incidents happen in its constituency
  - Mechanism to obtain reports from customers in its constituency
  - Preparation for its response
    - Technical support
    - Communication Switchboard
    - .....
  - Procedures

# CSIRT: Coordination

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# CSIRT: its functions

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- Information clearing house
  - Develop measures to fix security holes, against computer viruses and worms.
    - Working with hardware/software vendors directly
  - CSIRT provides secure manner for distributing the information to the public
    - Ex. Vendor notes

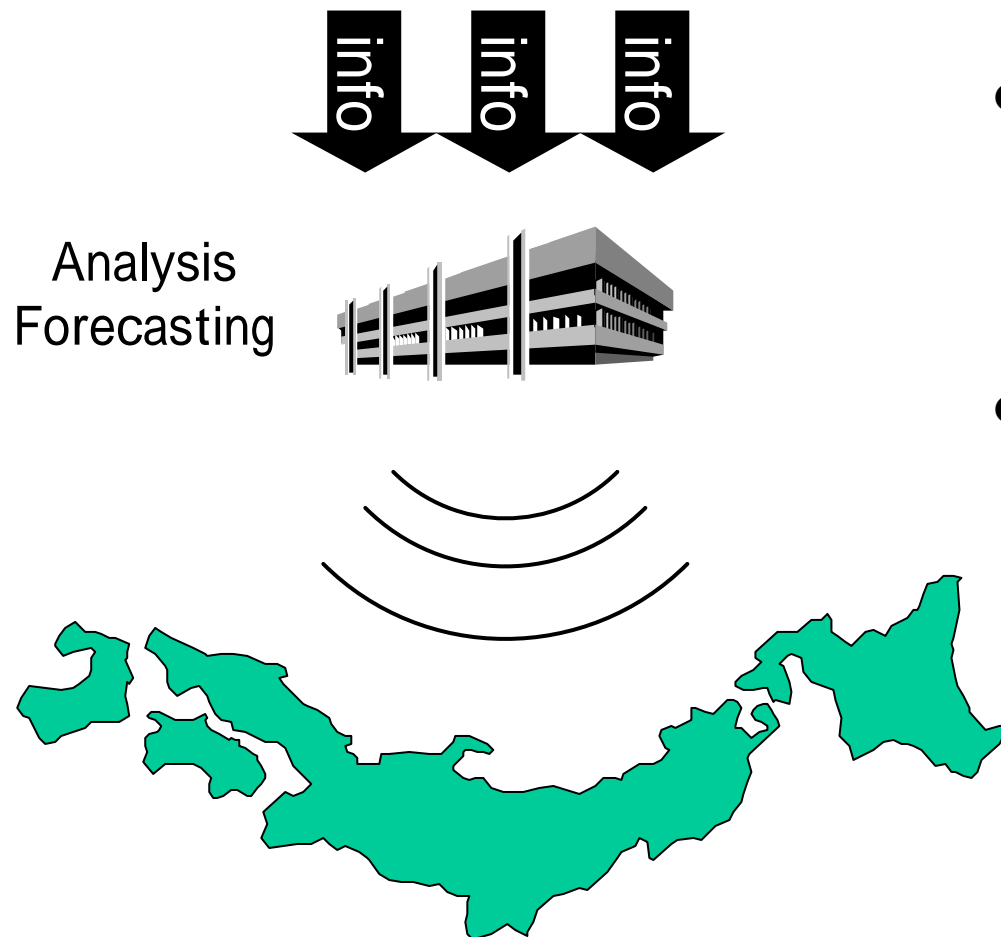
# CSIRT: its functions

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- Observations
  - Observe security incidents and develop forecast.
    - Ex. Virus calendar
  - Warnings and Alerts
    - Public awareness on the risk we are facing

# CSIRT: warnings & alerts

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- Technical source for fixing security holes
  - Vendor notes
  - CERT/CC advisory
  - ....
- Warnings & Alerts
  - Quick fix on systems in its constituency

# Alliance among CSIRT (1)

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- There are many direct communication between CSIRT
  - Contact victims and involved sites via CSIRT
  - Sharing observations
  - Sharing technical information and vendor notes



## Alliance among CSIRT (2)

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- FIRST: Forum of Incident Response and Security Teams
  - CSIRT's global forum
  - <http://www.first.org/>
  - Membership
    - Basic infrastructure for communication among CSIRT; we can trust on communication with FIRST members.

# Alliance among CSIRT (3)

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- Development of regional forum
  - Internet is a dependable infrastructure for regional economic activities.
  - More demand to work together with other CSIRT in region.
    - CERT-CC/KR and JPCERT/CC
    - AusCERT and SingCERT....

# APCERT

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- Asia Pacific Computer Emergency Response Teams
  - Regional forum of CSIRT in AP
  - 1<sup>st</sup> AGM was held on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> 2003 in APSIRC2003
    - AusCERT (steering committee chair)
    - SC: AusCERT, JPCERT/CC, HKCERT, SingCERT, MyCERT, CERTCC-KR, CNCERT/CC
    - Secretariat: JPCERT/CC and CERTCC-KR
  - APSIRC (AP Security Incident Response Conference) is our annual conference.

# APCERT funding members

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# APCERT: its activities

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- Encourage and help establishment CSIRTs in this region
  - Still many economies do not have its CSIRT function
- Develop infrastructure to share technical and incident information among full members
- Provide “awareness” program for all the members
- Develop stable contact point in each economy
- Lobbying

# Note

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- Each full member does not represent its economy
  - multiple CSIRT in a single economy mutually complement
    - Ex. Japan
      - JPCERT/CC – generic last resort
      - NIRT – for government
      - IPA – nation wide, but mainly concentrated on viruses so far
      - IJ-ST – ISP's customer support
      - ....

# Note

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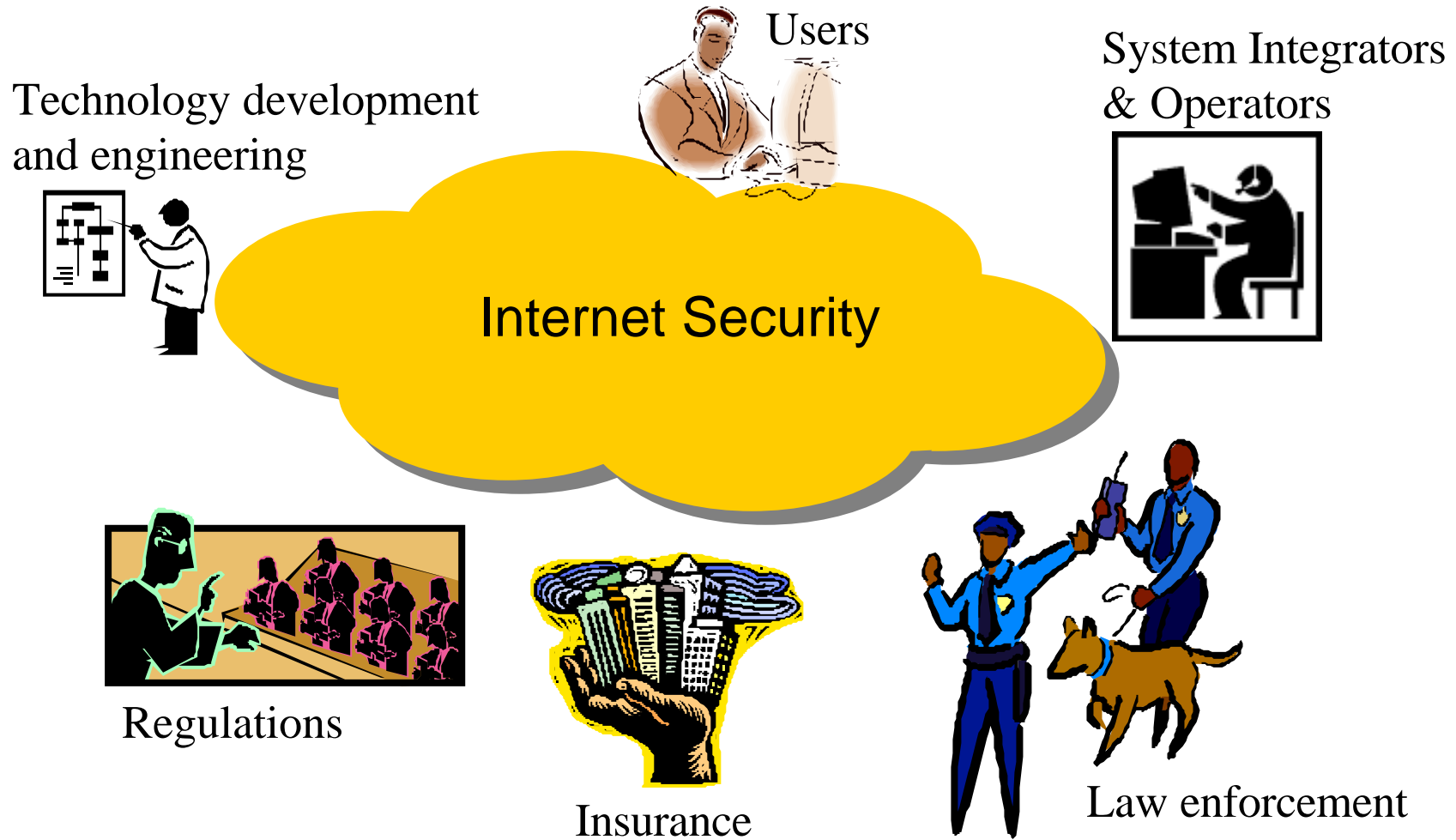
- We have to help “evolving process” of CSIRT
  - Initially, single CSIRT is formed.
  - Move to “federation” of CSIRT
    - ISP does have a important role to reduce security incident. They are in front line for internet users.
    - Government does have a responsibility to enrich its coverage in terms of security management: e-government.
    - HW/SW vendors does have liability on its product.

# Demand from other community



# Who is involved?

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# Anti-SPAM

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- a social DoS attack + DoS attack on infrastructure itself
  - a vehicle for transferring malicious code
  - Immoral/indecent contents considered harmful especially for young generations.
- Comprehensive approach includes engineering, new technology development, regulations, awareness are required

# CAUCE & APCAUCE

- <http://www.cauce.org/>
- Anti-spam “awareness” program and community support.
- CAUCE a la Asia & Pacific will be formed soon.



# Law Enforcement (1)

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- Police and other law enforcement bodies have their own “working together” environment.
  - Based on international mutual anti-crime treaty
  - Asian Crime Investigation Research Institute
  - Ex. G8 group’s “Lyon group”, Interpole, ...

# Law Enforcement (2)

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- Getting more working on various areas
  - Human resource development
    - Fundamental technologies, engineering and network operations
    - Crime-scene Investigation is surely their business, but cyber crime forensics is still in its evolving process, therefore, some CSIRT are working together with law enforcement entity.

## Regional WG in inter-governmental coordination framework

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- ASEAN's e-security WG
- APEC/TEL e-security WG
- E-government initiatives in each economy
- ....

## Other aspects

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- Homeland security against cyber terrorism
- National infrastructure protection
- Standardization on secure operation of information and communication systems.
  - ISO17799 and others
  - Certification

# Work Together

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- Harmonization
- Concept of “Culture of Security” by OECD
- Players are different in each segment.
  - Gov, CSIRT, Law Enforcement, ....
- Encourage them to have conversations and corporation
  - Mutual trust, sharing information, ....