

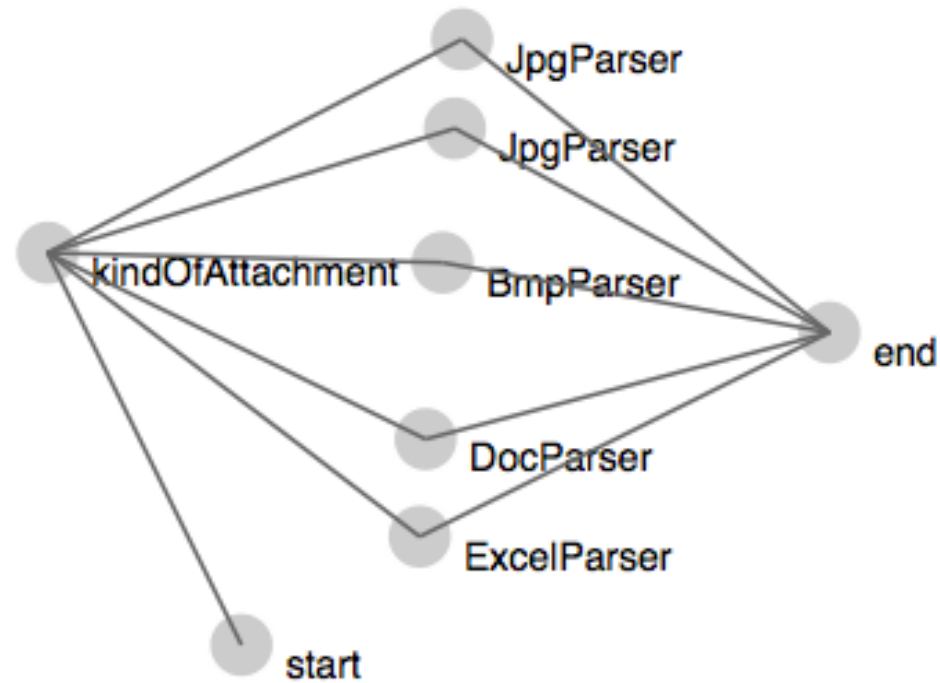
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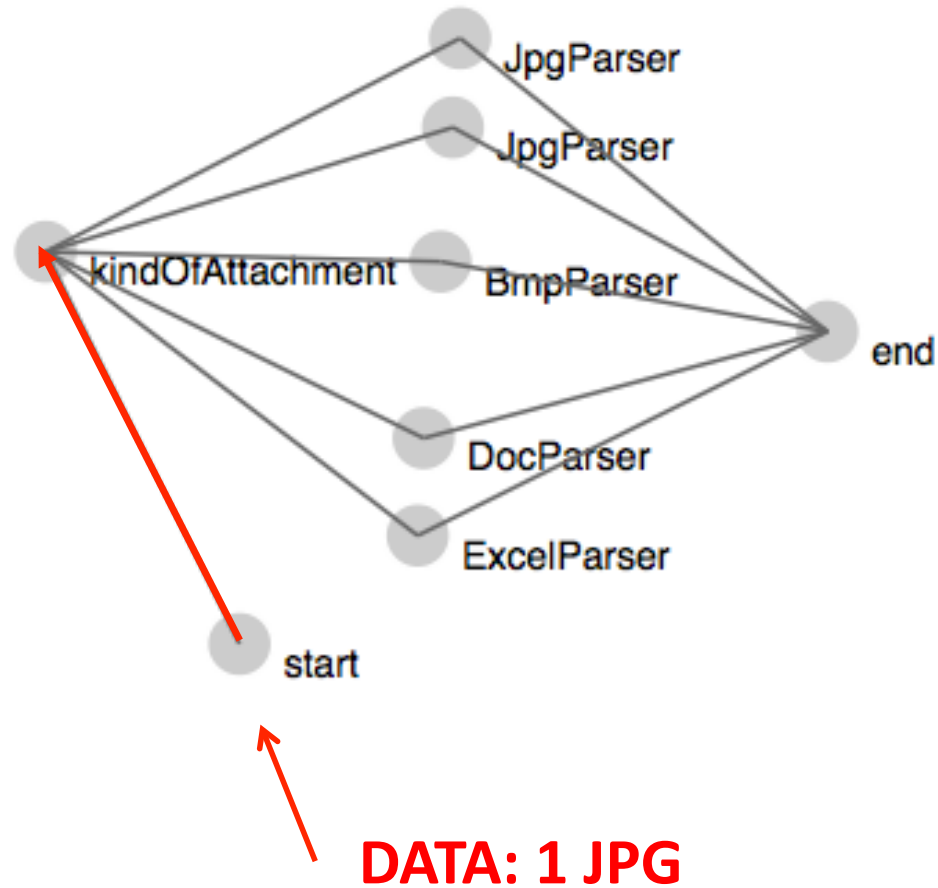
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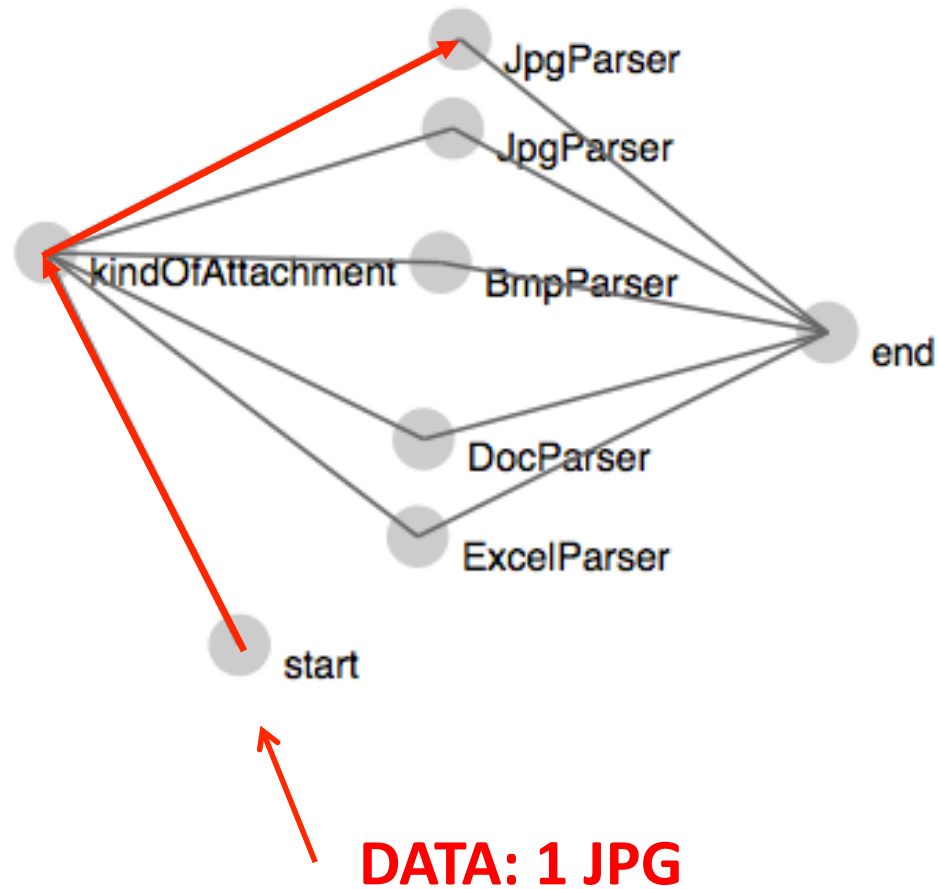


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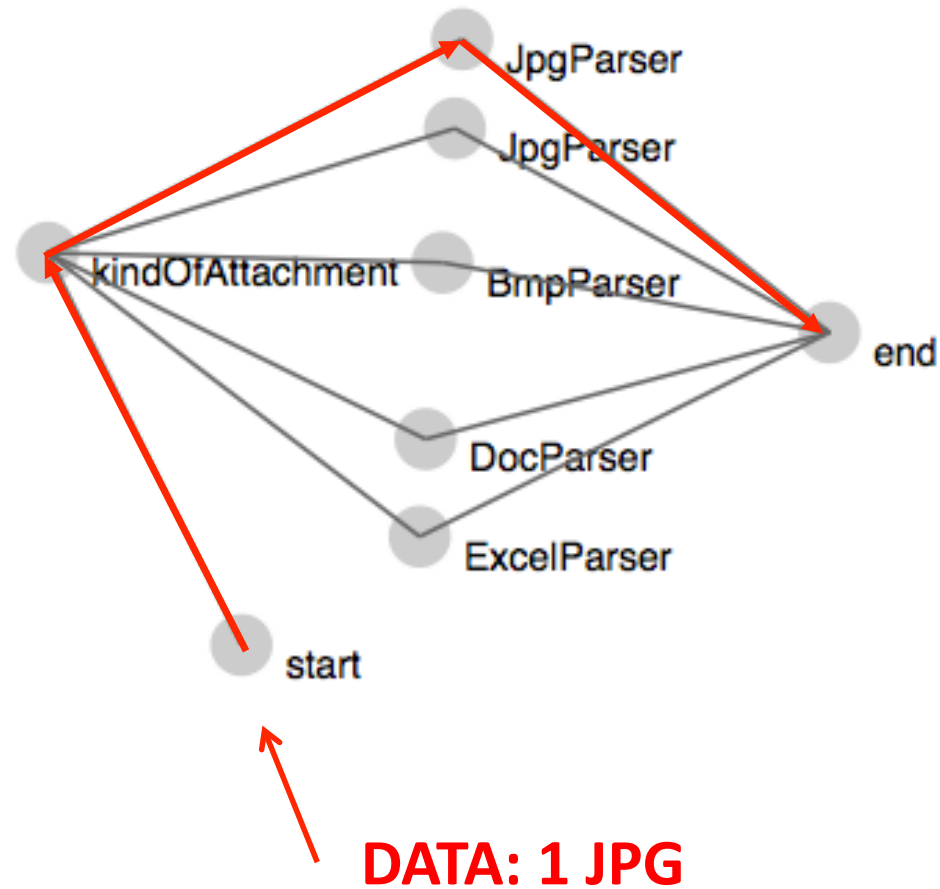
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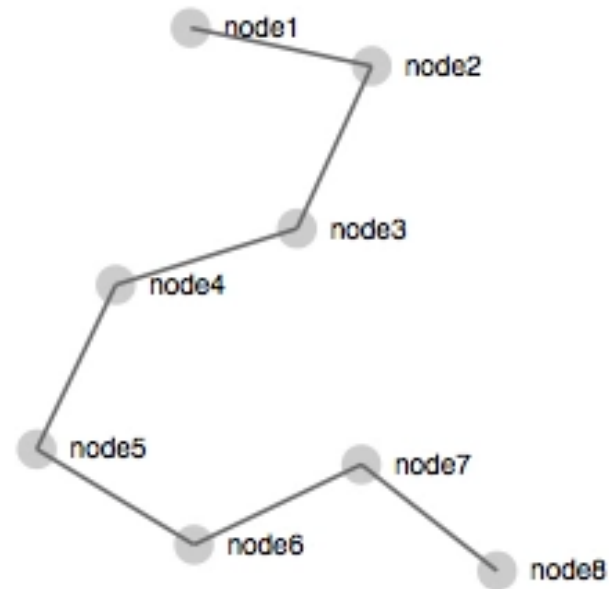
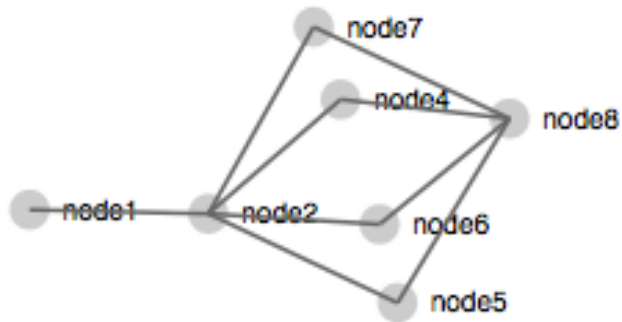
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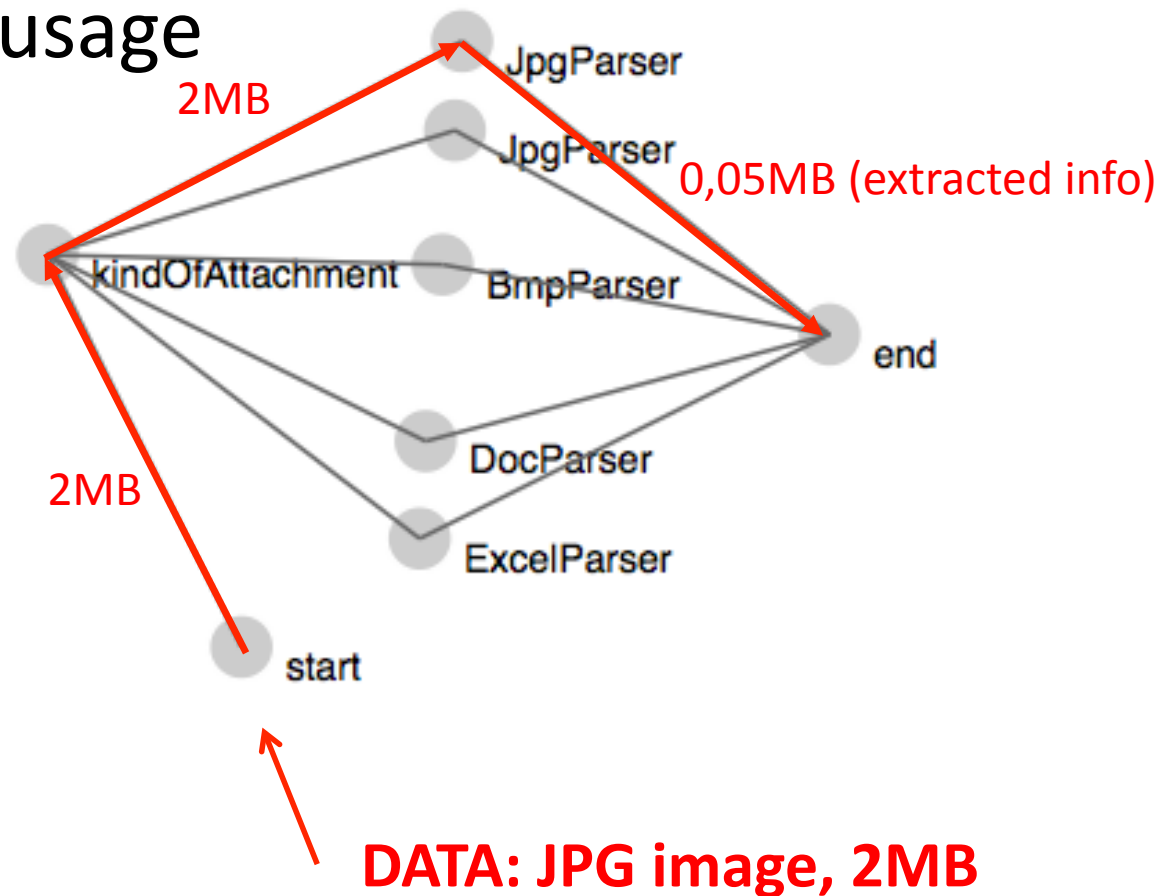
Observables of work flow topologies

- The topology



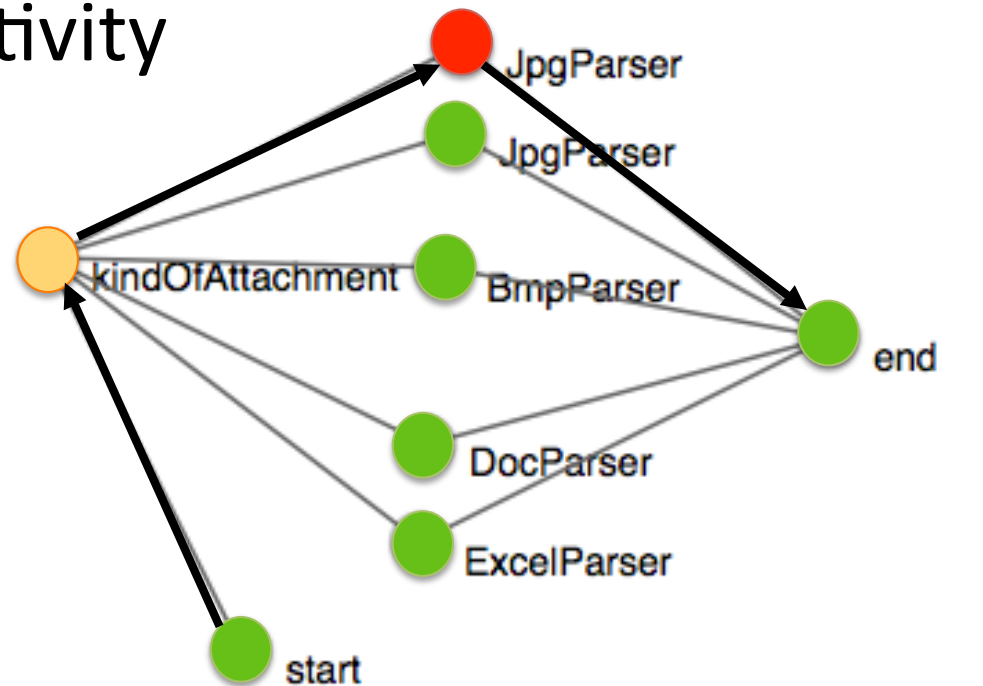
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- The link usage



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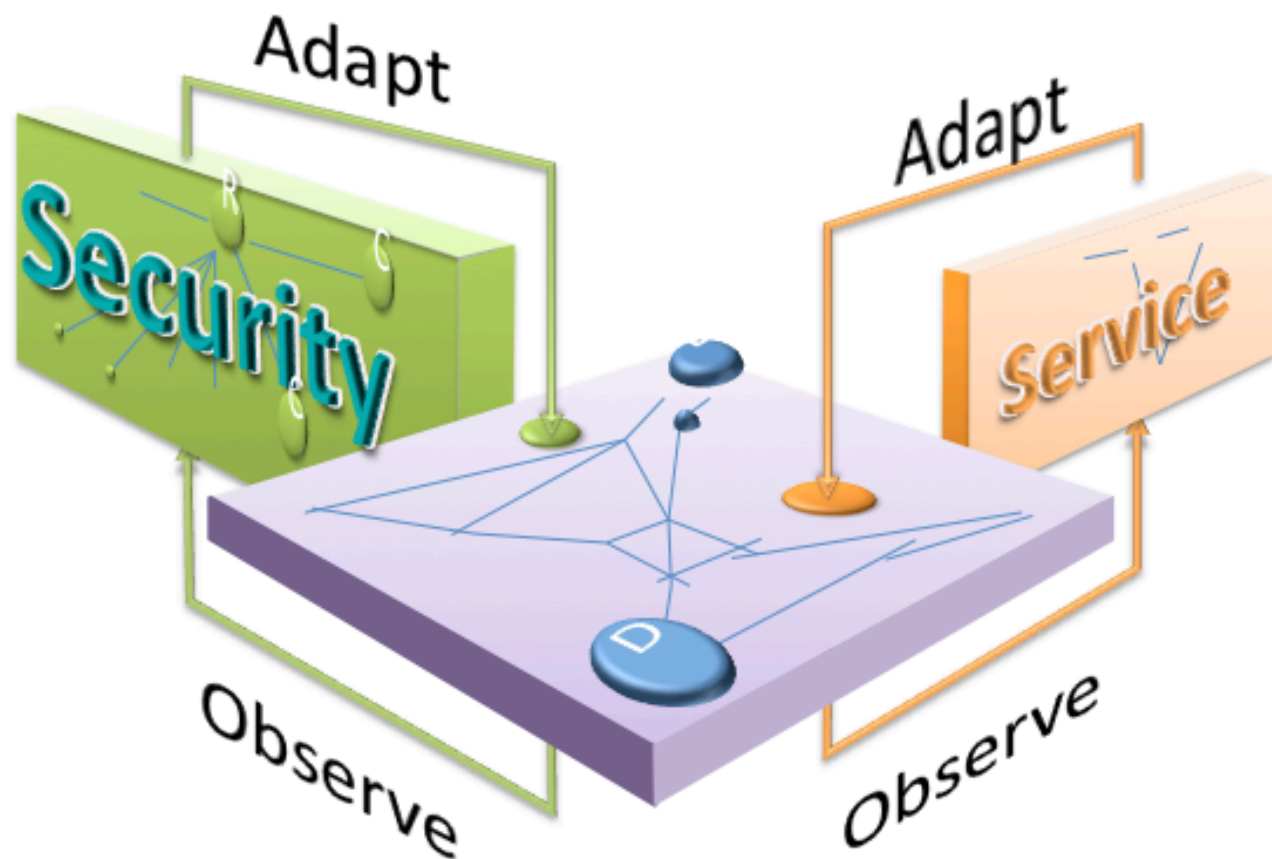
- Node activity



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Research Question

How can observables of software controlled work flow topologies be used in Security Autonomous Response networks?

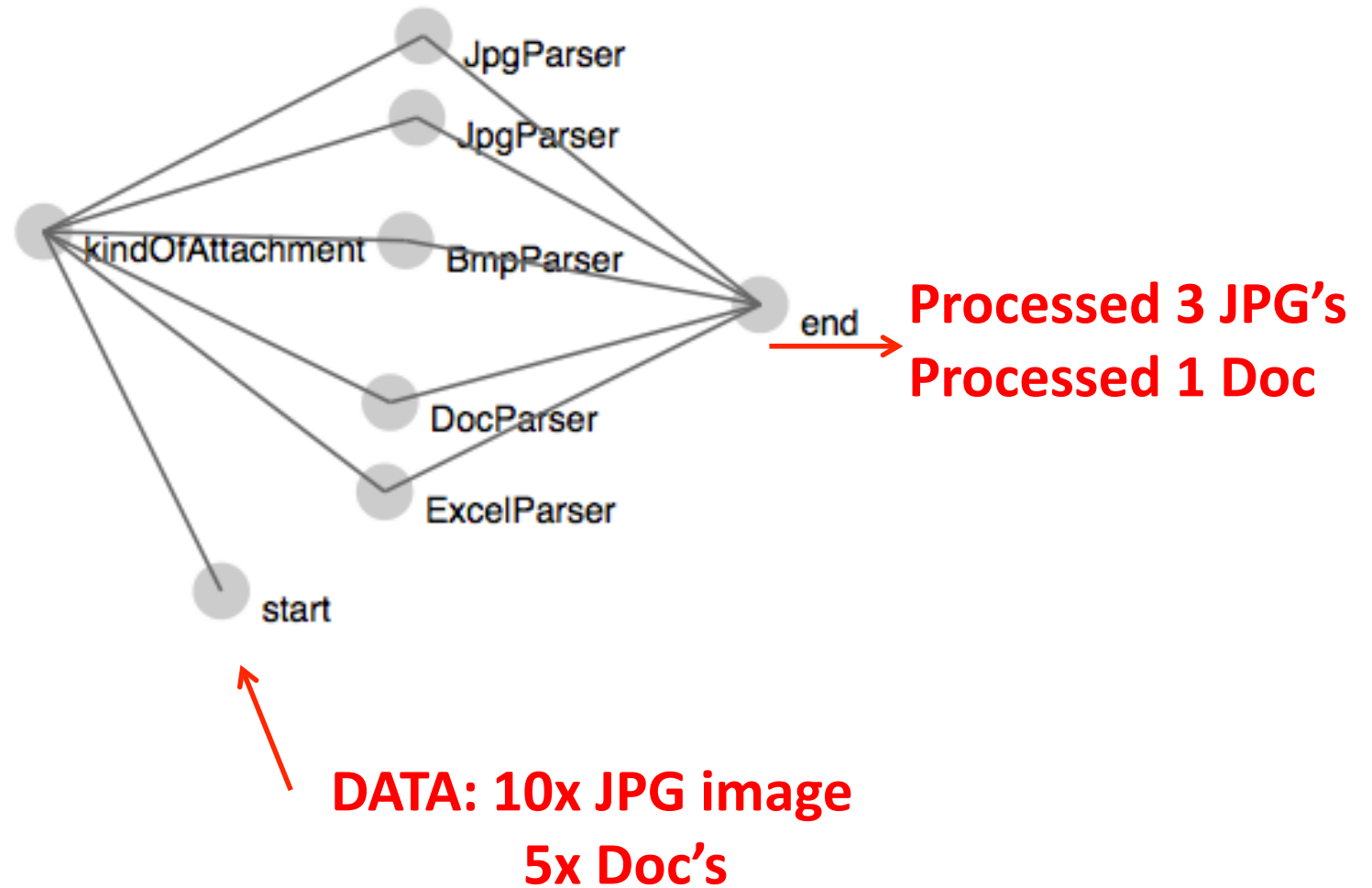
Relation between amount of (meta)data and things you can do

- Controlloop needs to know about topology
- Machine learning / benchmarking / ...
- Lots of (meta)data => many things to control/
check

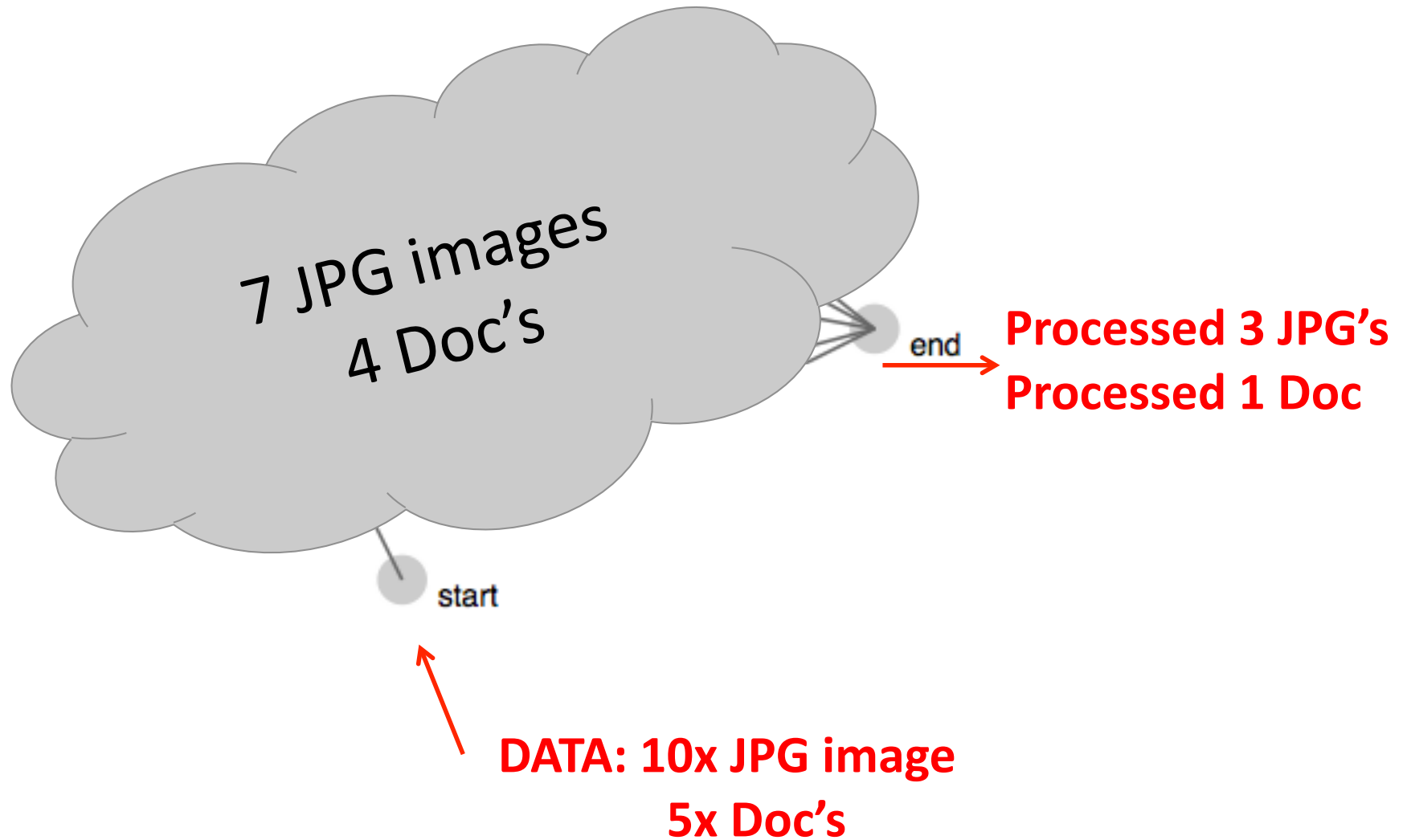
Observables & security

Data residing in the network tells something about the expected observables.

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- Node activity: estimate activity...
- Link load: estimate link load...
- Topology: estimate topology...

... given data in the network

and compare to actual values of observables.

Estimating node activity and link load

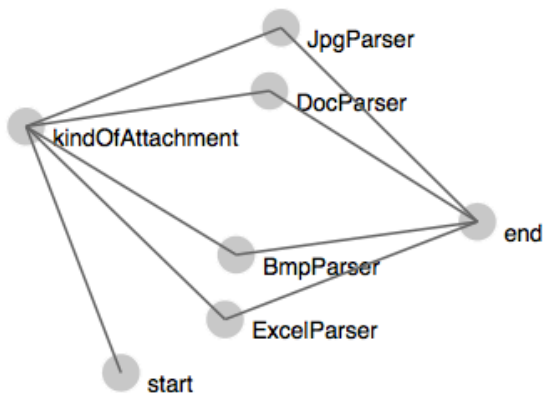
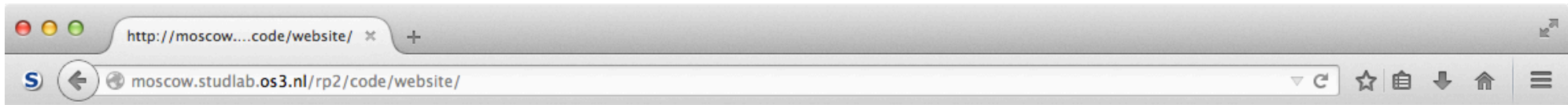
- Probability of data hitting a function
- Probability of data hitting a node
- Probability of data being in the node when sampling

Link load follows same intuition

Calculation of topology

- Calculate number of nodes per function as upperbound: $1 \leq \text{real value} \leq \text{upperbound}$
- Scale down the topology \Rightarrow compare with original topology

Web interface of Proof of Concept



RP2

Iteration speed (in seconds):

Algorithm controlloop

Maximum threshold

Minimum threshold

Chance of scaling:



Send data through topology



Proof of Concept

- Developed control API for mininet:
 - But too slow for big networks
 - You cannot dynamically add hosts to mininet
- Therefore, pure simulation which uses same APIs
- PoC uses CPU load as node activity parameter

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graph TD
    start((start(node1))) --- DocParser((DocParser(node2)))
    start --- ExcelParser((ExcelParser(node6)))
    start --- end((end(f...)))
    start --- OtherParser((OtherParser(node8)))
    start --- BmpParser((BmpParser(node7)))
    start --- JpgParser((JpgParser(node4)))
    DocParser --- ExcelParser
    DocParser --- end
    DocParser --- OtherParser
    DocParser --- BmpParser
    DocParser --- JpgParser
    ExcelParser --- end
    ExcelParser --- OtherParser
    ExcelParser --- BmpParser
    ExcelParser --- JpgParser
    end --- OtherParser
    end --- BmpParser
    end --- JpgParser
    OtherParser --- BmpParser
    OtherParser --- JpgParser
    BmpParser --- JpgParser
  
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Edge: node2 -> node8
Edge: node3 -> node4
Edge: node3 -> node5
Edge: node3 -> node6
Edge: node3 -> node7
Edge: node3 -> node8
Edge: node4 -> node9
Edge: node5 -> node9
Edge: node6 -> node9
Edge: node7 -> node9
Edge: node8 -> node9
Starting network...
Starting web server...
Starting controller
Size of array is 3
Deleting node: node3
Removing link: node1 -> node3
Removing link: node3 -> node4
Removing link: node3 -> node5
Removing link: node3 -> node6
Removing link: node3 -> node7
Removing link: node3 -> node8
80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:02] "GET
80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:06] "GET
80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:10] "GET
80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:13] "GET
80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:13] "GET /getSleepingPeriod HTTP/1.1" 200 2
80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:13] "GET /getMinimumThreshold HTTP/1.1" 200 1
80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:13] "GET /getMaximumThreshold HTTP/1.1" 200 2
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80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:17] "GET /setSleepingPeriod?seconds=5 HTTP/1.1" 200 4
80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:21] "GET /getCurrentTopology HTTP/1.1" 200 1085
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80.114.132.112 -- [29/Jun/2015 23:10:29] "GET /getCurrentTopology HTTP/1.1" 200 1085

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Autonomous response

- Kill node
- Ignore node / Send fake data
- Extra monitoring
- Reprovisioning
- SDN flow rules

Conclusion

- Observables of work flow topologies can be used
 - By using metadata from the topology
 - Relation between knowledge of data and things you can do
 - More testing of equations is needed (finetuning)

Questions?