Orchid Labs Inc.

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nursery school, 1964

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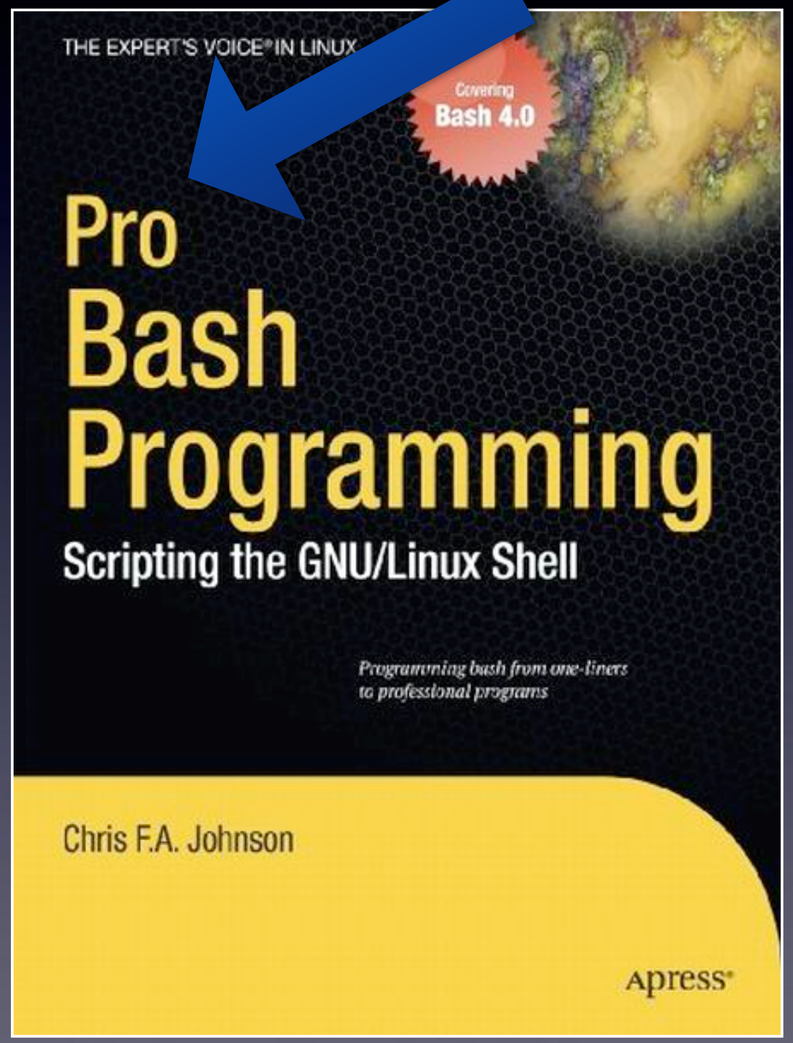
how i met rms

I wrote some software

write some software



readline

makeinfo

bash

history

info

gdb remote debugging

maintain emacs

Orchid

Orchid is an open source movement to create a new internet — one which is controlled by you, and *not* your government or ISP.

Orchid

Orchid is a network built by everyone who joins —
it’s like a party — can’t really have one by yourself.

➡ open source internet 2.0

Orchid

Orchid is *incentivized* — just like existing infrastructure, people pay to use it. And the people providing the infrastructure get paid for doing so.

- open source internet 2.0
- built by its members

Orchid

Orchid is a free and open marketplace and platform for the delivery of digital services. Bandwidth is the flagship service, but compute, storage, and other services can be trivially built on top of the Orchid Protocol.

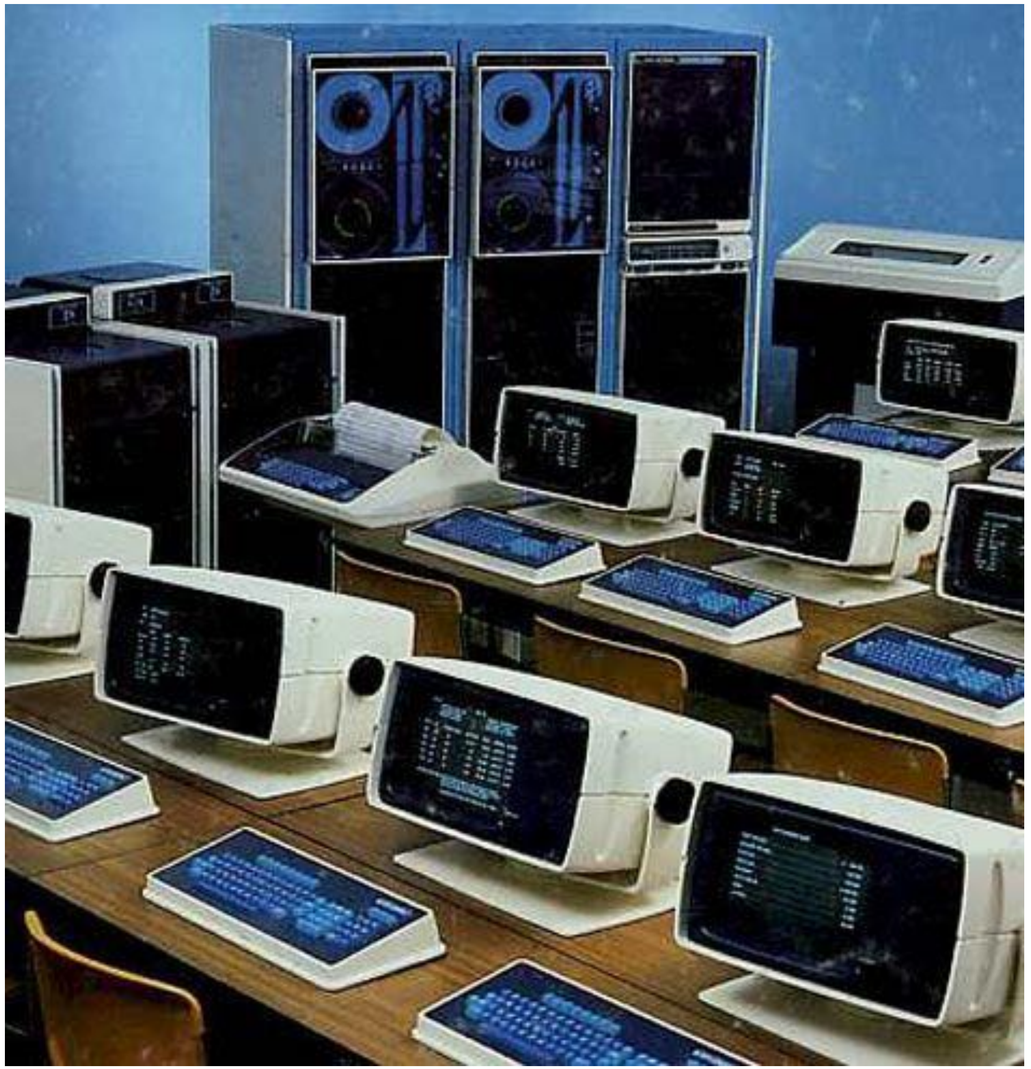
- open source internet 2.0
- built by its members
- incentivized via blockchain token payments

when we started

mainframe

centralized

what’s a network?



1960 1970 1980 1990 2000 2010 2017

ARPA & IMPs

1969 UCLA

telephone network

tcp/ip

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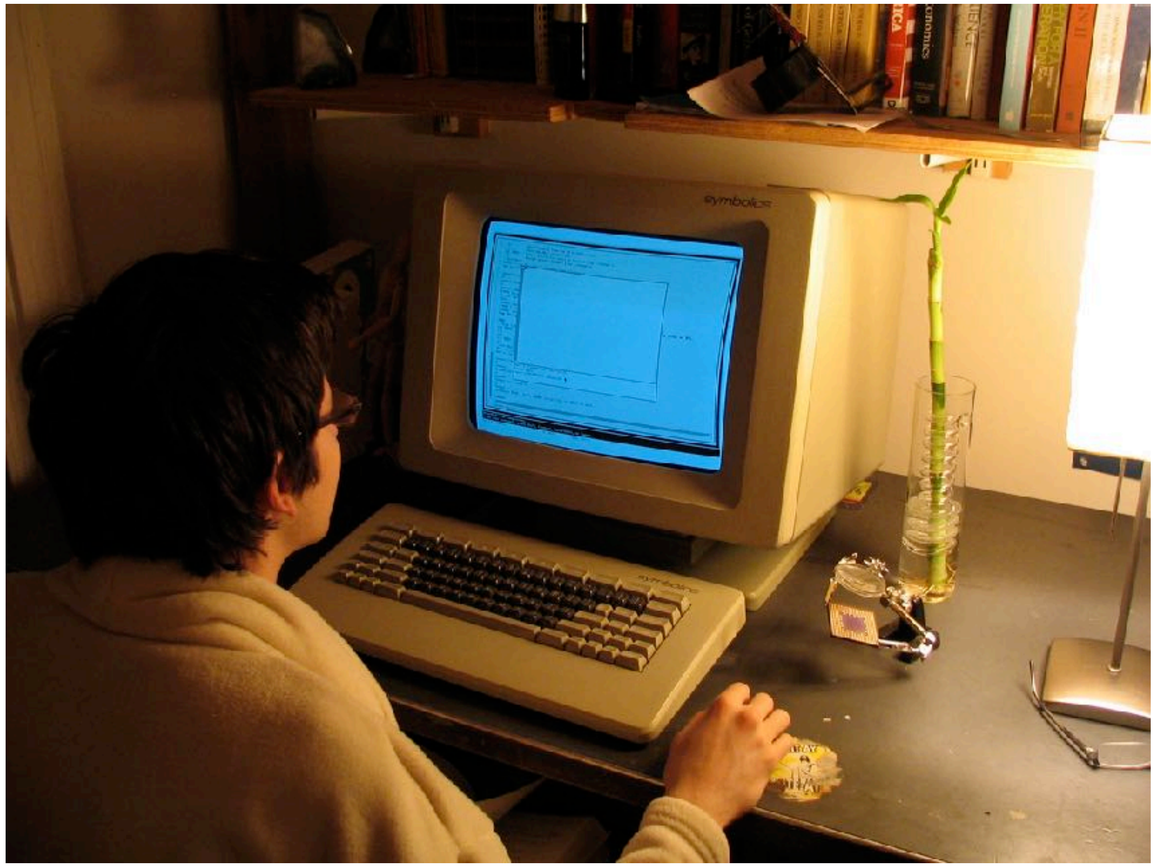
independence

decentralized

workstation

MIT AI LAB chaosnet



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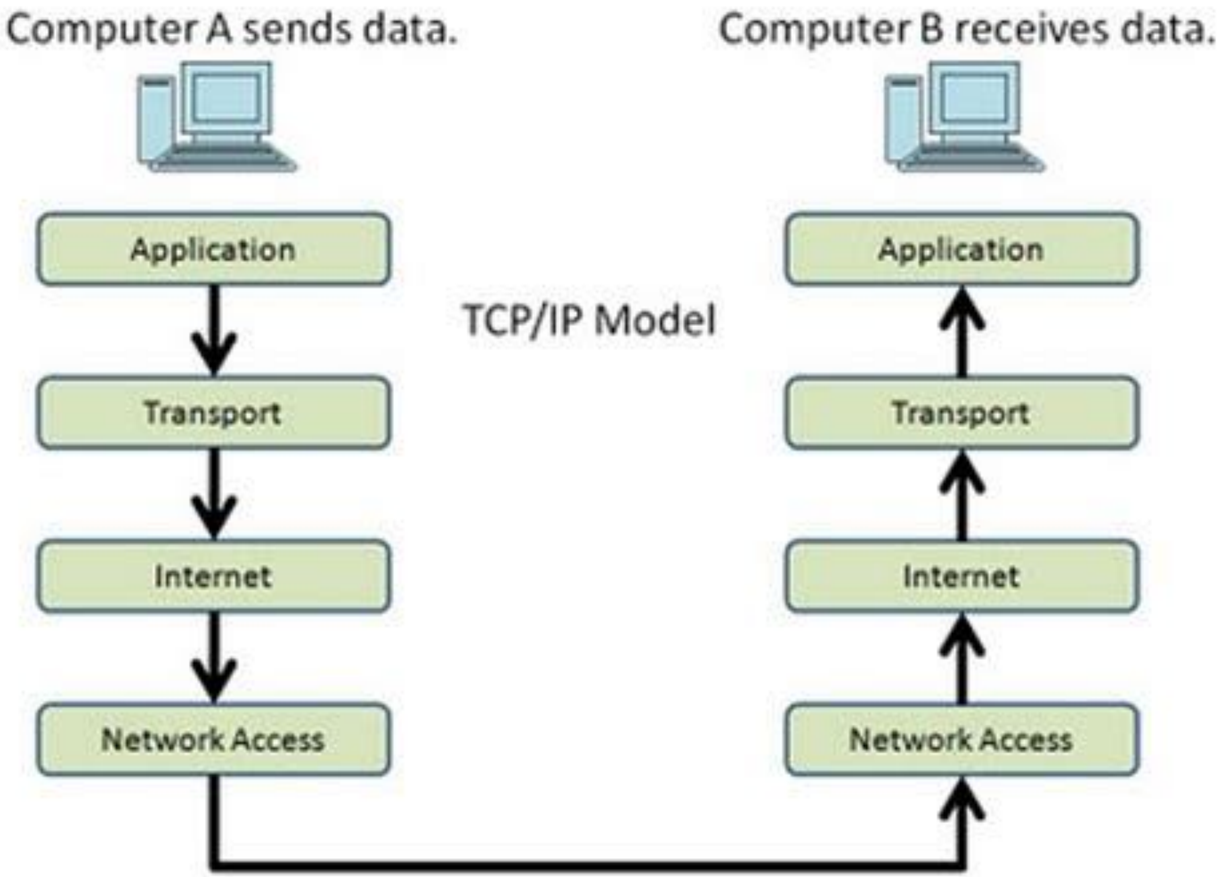
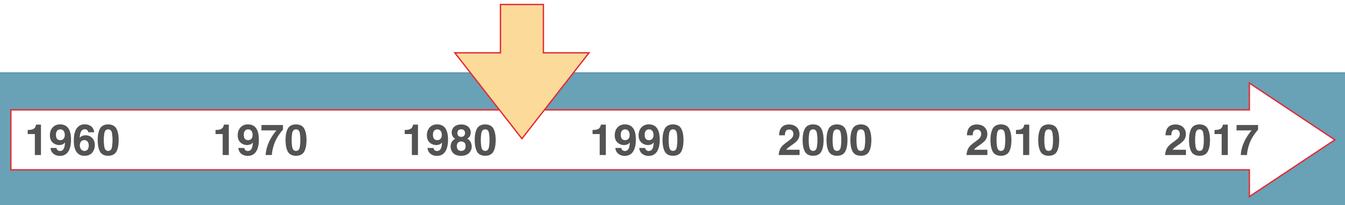
collaboration

arpanet — long haul

LANs — office/lab

connectivity increasing



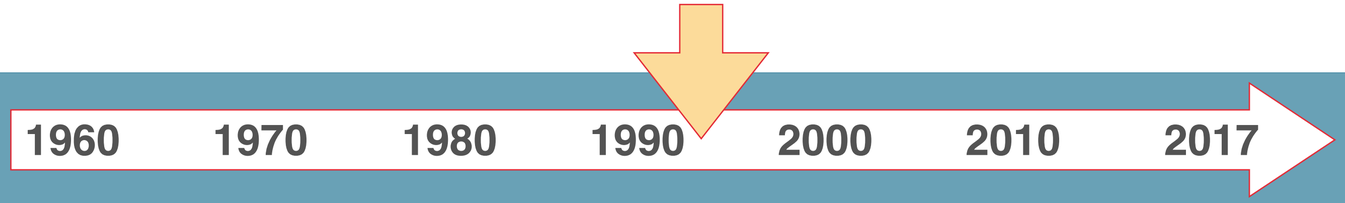


the internet!

from gopher

to http/www

and ISPs



the killer app for internet 1.0

email

killer app for internet 2.0?

bandwidth

killer app for internet 2.0?
bandwidth creates web 3.0

bandwidth

xfinity
comcast

fios
by verizon

HughesNet
Broadband Unbound

exede
INTERNET

COX

AT&T

Charter
COMMUNICATIONS

Sprint

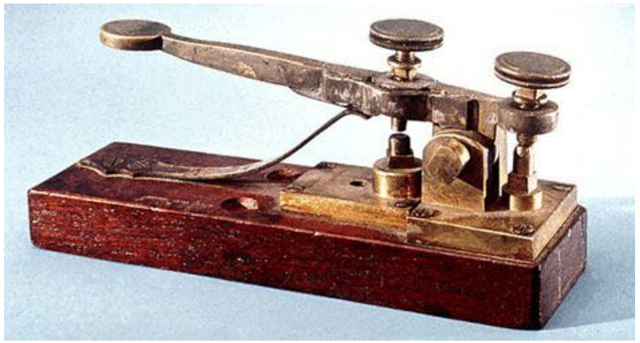
CenturyLink

all your traffic are belong to us

all your data are belong to us, too

- my name
- my phone number
- my physical address
- my credit card number
- my social security number
- my browsing history

the internet at its core is a communications system



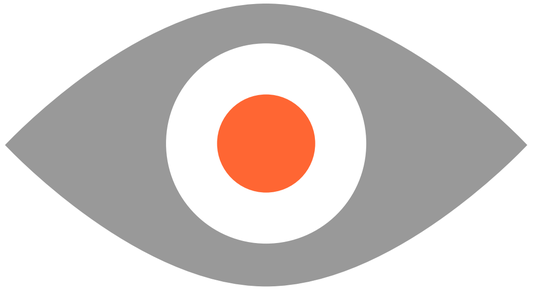
a communications medium where you cannot communicate doesn't really work

you are censored

Two thirds of all Internet users live in countries subject to strict censorship

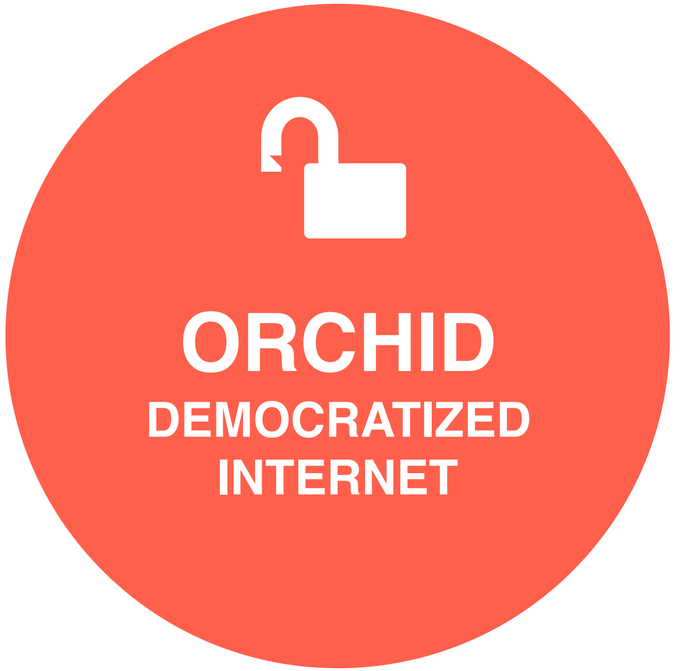
you are surveilled

ISPs and firewalls watch where you go and what you do



you are denied

a new network



routing

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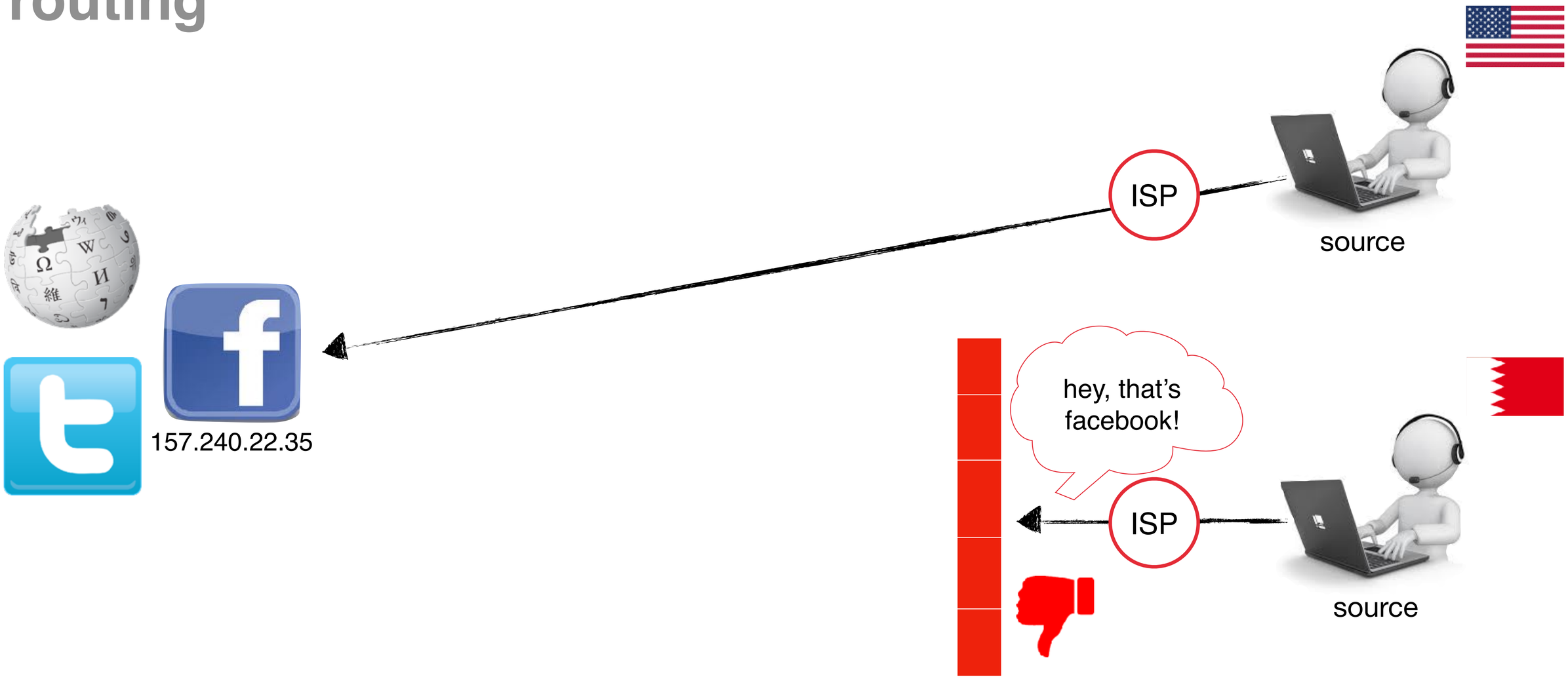

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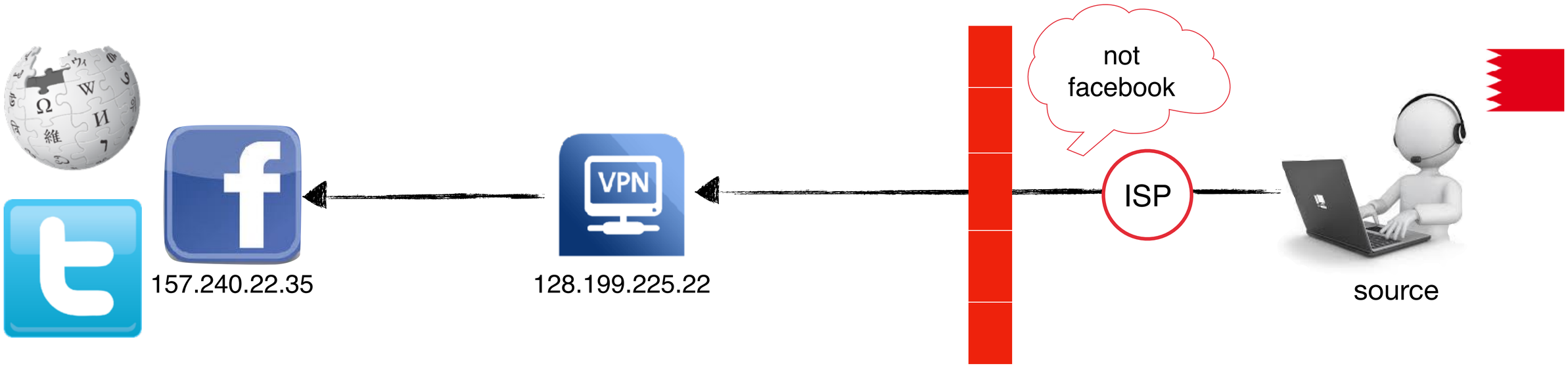
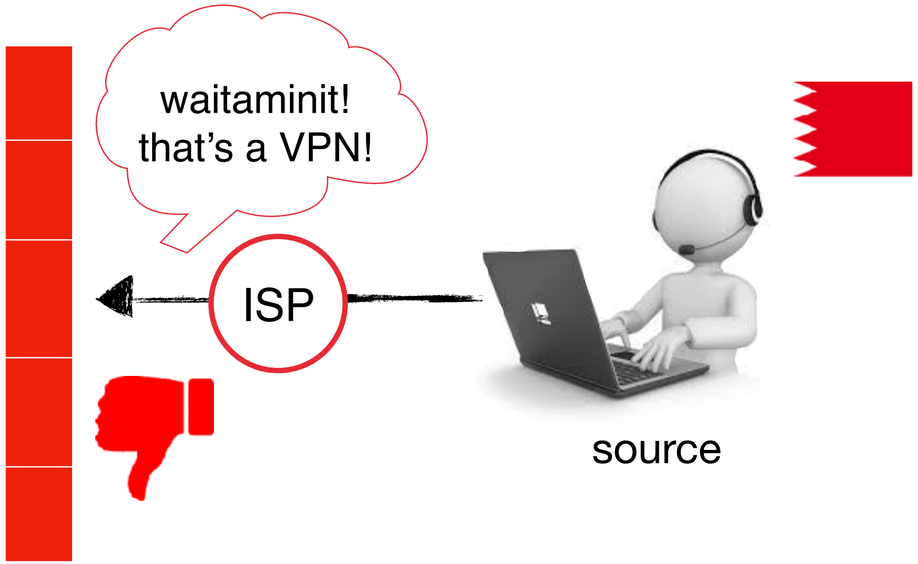


routing

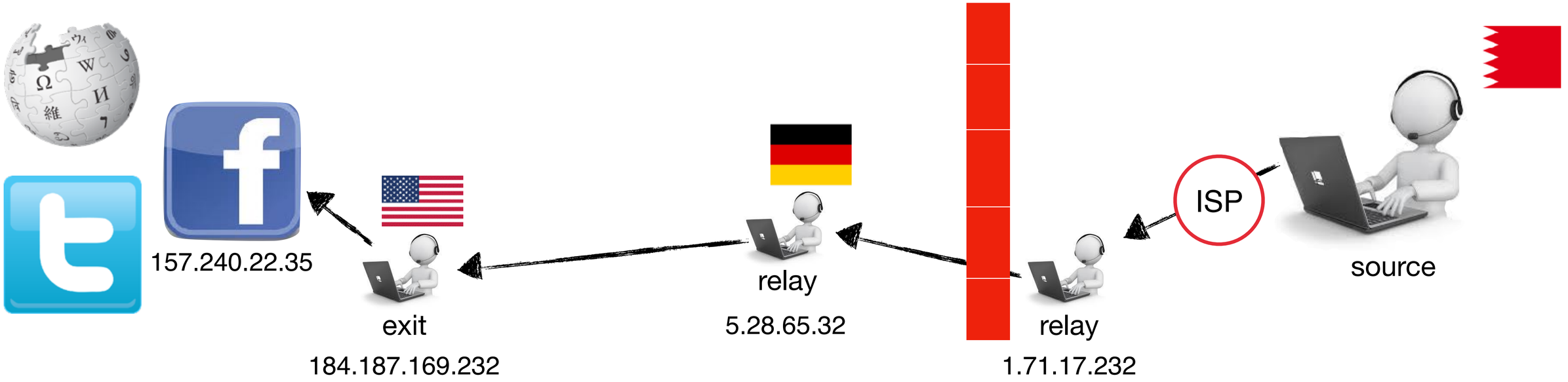
157.240.22.35

VPN
128.199.225.22

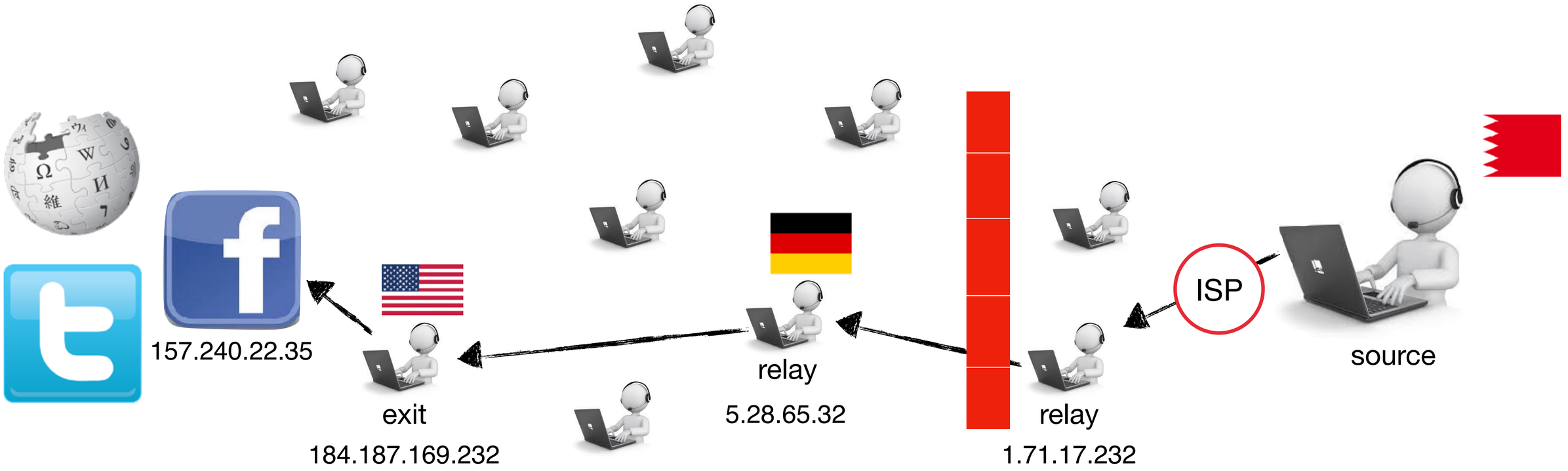

waitaminit!
that's a VPN!
ISP
source

routing

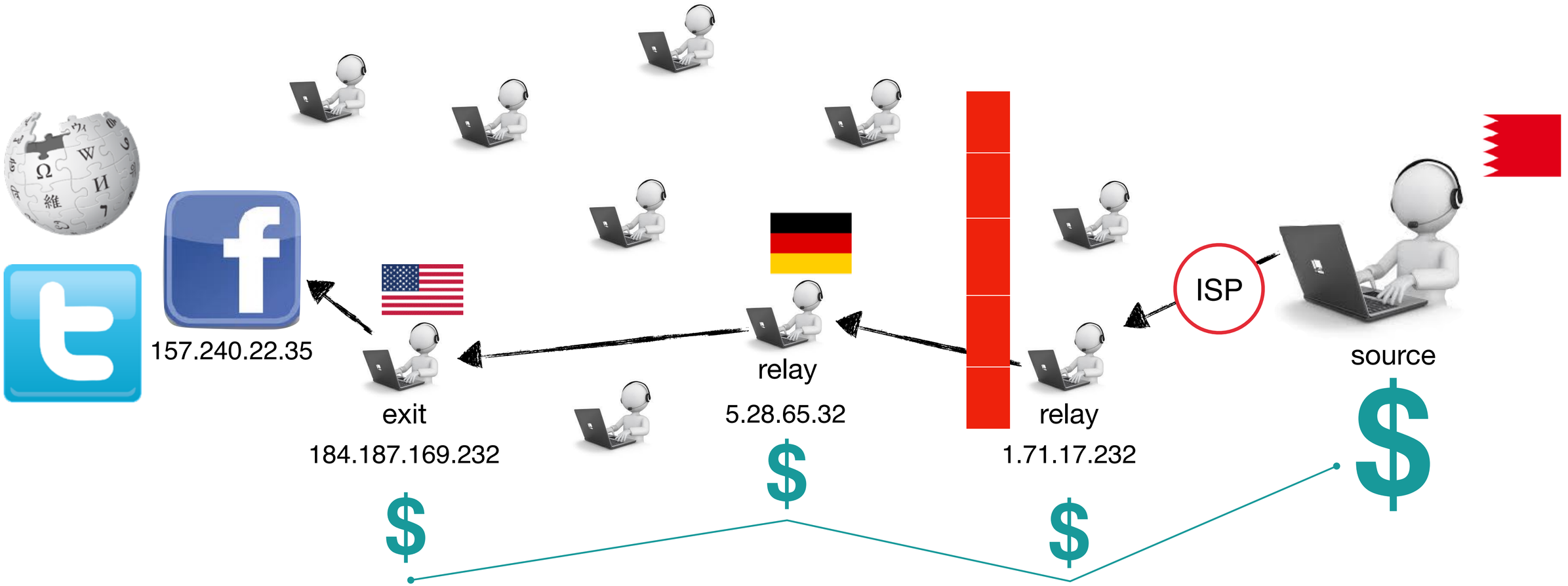
all traffic looks like any encrypted internet traffic, such as webRTC



routing - dynamic paths



payments


157.240.22.35
exit
184.187.169.232
relay
5.28.65.32
relay
1.71.17.232
ISP
source
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ORCHID tokens

- are a *utility* token, for use within the orchid network
- won’t exist until the network is launched (Q4/2018)
- 1,000,000,000 will be minted, and no more
- velocity managed by both supply/demand, and by network connection structure

100% Free Software - completely copyleft

- we use the AGPLv3
- we require changes to be shared back
- we are as close to being RMS compatible as anything can be
- we are focused on the ecosystem
- we control nothing

Founding team

Steve Waterhouse
VC Visionary

Pantera, Fortress, RPX, Sun,
PhD. Cambridge

Steve Bell
VC Visionary

Trilogy Ventures (BTCC Seed),
ShangBy, Trilogy, Supply Solution

Brian Fox
Open Source Software

FSF, GNU, Bash Shell, TeXinfo,
WFB Online, 15 patents

Gustav Simonsson
Blockchain

Ethereum Core Dev (security),
String Labs, Ericsson

Jay “Saurik” Freeman
Network

Cydia/Jailbreaking
UCSB

Supported by

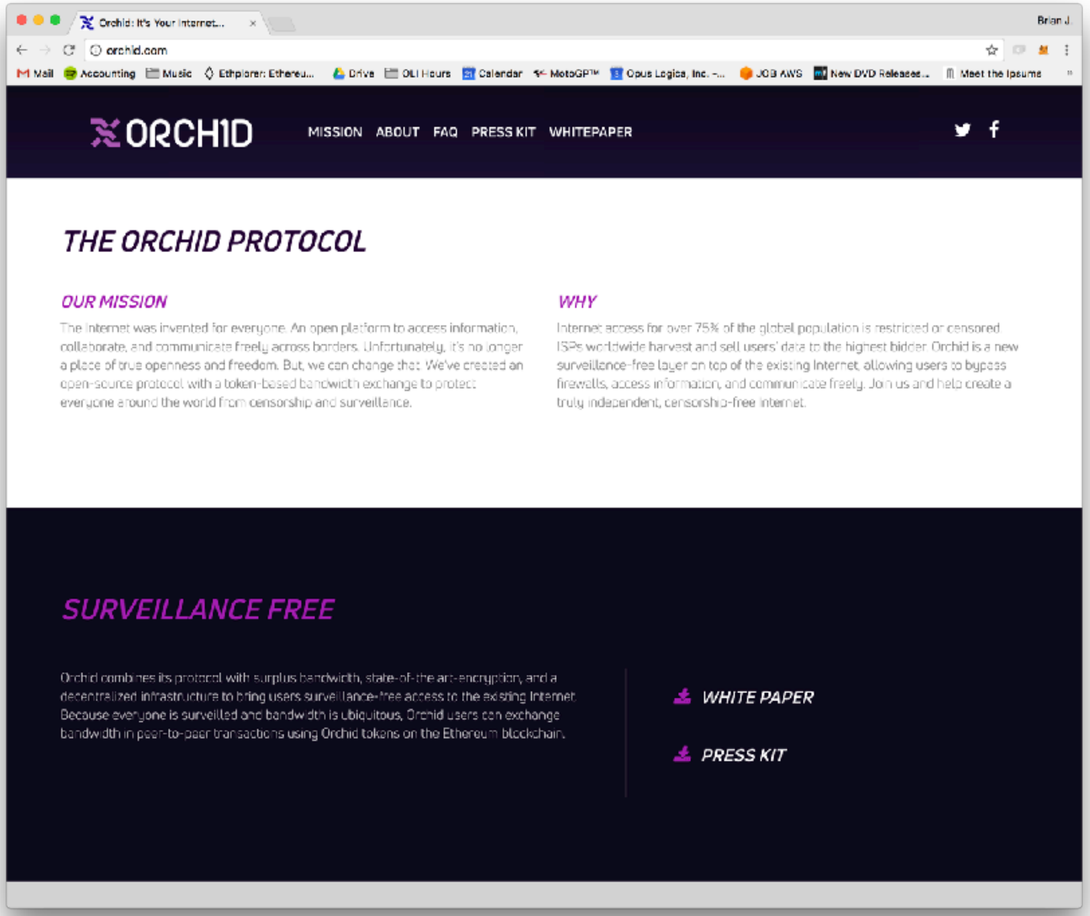
Marco Santori
Cooley

Gavin Wood
Ethereum, Parity

Dr. Dan Boneh
Stanford

quick takeaways

- ✓decentralized anonymous network
- ✓provides infrastructure for resource market
- ✓participants pay and are paid using tokens
- ✓proof-of-concept software demoed in Cancun
- ✓whitepaper available at https://orchid.com



we need you, too

- you've learned from open source - please teach
- you've built on other's work, please create
- you've used open source products, make more
- you know about FOSS, tell others about it

how to get involved

contribute@orchidsource.org
github:orchidsource

- write code - core protocols, networking, etc.

- help with user interface testing - feedback, art, etc.

- help with community - orchidsource@reddit

- help with bug finding - github:orchidsource

JOIN ORCHID

everyone deserves the internet

- Orchid is designed to scale to 100s of millions of relays, proxies, and users
- traffic on the internet belongs to the users, not to centralized corporations or governments
- the dropping of privacy protections affects all of us

"whoever controls the media, the images, controls the culture." **— Allen Ginsberg**

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