



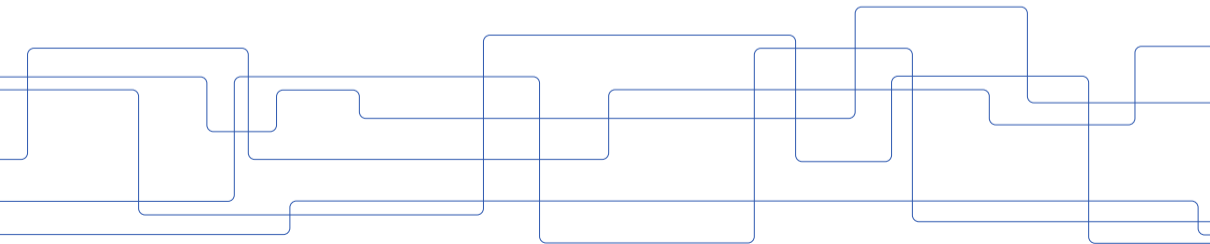
# SENTIENCE

Simulation-based reinforcement-learning security operations center

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# Me

- Jakob Nyberg.
- Civilingenjörsexamen from Uppsala University.
  - Embedded systems.
  - Machine learning.





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- Project started in spring 2021.
- Project within CDIS
  - Centre for Cyber Defence and Information Security
- Funded by MSB.
- Long-term goal is to develop a *semi-autonomous (cyber) security operations center*.



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- Aid *human* defenders in their decision process.
- The system should be a *resource* to humans, not a replacement.



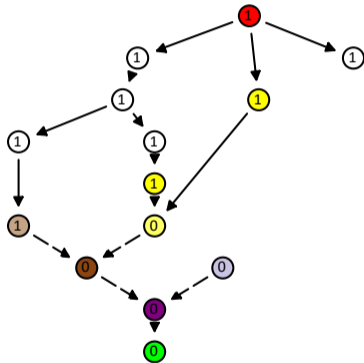
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- Defense exercise formulated as a Markov game or decision process.
- Defender and attacker agents.
- Find policies using *reinforcement learning*.

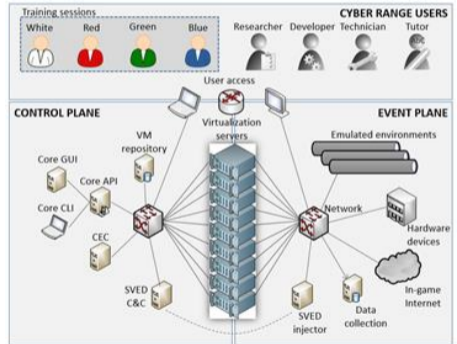




# Beyond the Simulation

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- Cyber Range And Training Environment developed and operated by FOI.
- Used for cyber defense exercises.
- Can emulate different network configurations.
- Red-team emulation using LORE.

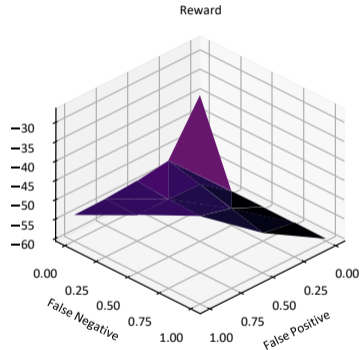
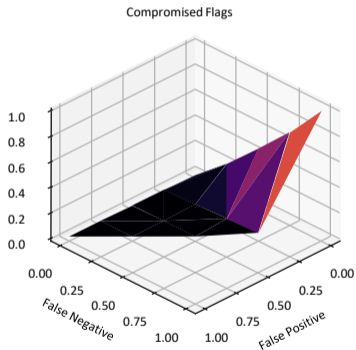






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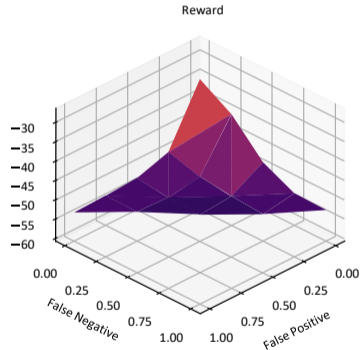
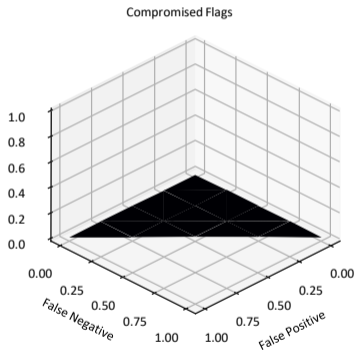
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