

Detecting and Mitigating DDoS

A FastNetMon (+more) use case



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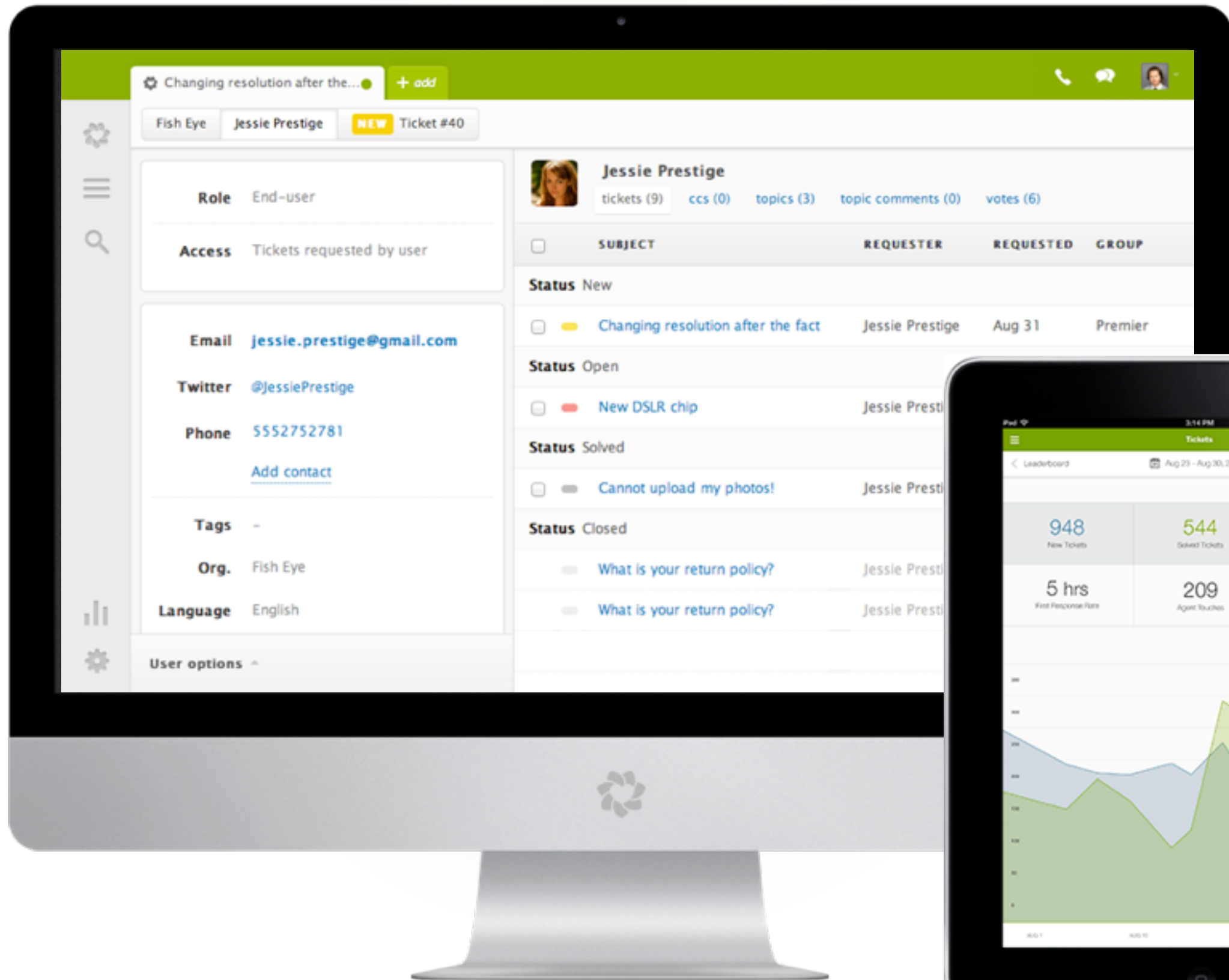


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Fish Eye Jessie Prestige NEW Ticket #40

Role End-user

Access Tickets requested by user

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Jessie Prestige

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SUBJECT

REQUESTER

REQUESTED

GROUP

Status New



Changing resolution after the fact

Jessie Prestige

Aug 31

Premier

Status Open



New DSLR chip

Jessie Prestige

Status Solved



Cannot upload my photos!

Jessie Prestige

Status Closed



What is your return policy?

Jessie Prestige



What is your return policy?

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Why are we targets?



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The good, the bad
and the ugly



The good

cloud mitigation provider

- six scrubbing centers across the globe
- 3 Tbps of mitigation bandwidth
- BGP: advertise the target /24, receive legit traffic via clean pipe

cons:

- Reaction time: Internet route convergence (BGP)
- mitigation occurs on incoming only
- always on = very pricy



The bad

NOC find out about an ongoing
DDoS attack with site-down alert



The ugly

detecting takes too long
all dependent on humans :(

Improving detection Automating mitigation

Why not simply use a DDoS mitigation equipment?

- \$\$\$\$ + \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$!!!
- Need dedicated qualified network engineers
- Demand significant changes in network architecture
- Not simple to automate with modern APIs out in the wild
- Mitigation is useless in case of channel overflow

Open-source recipe

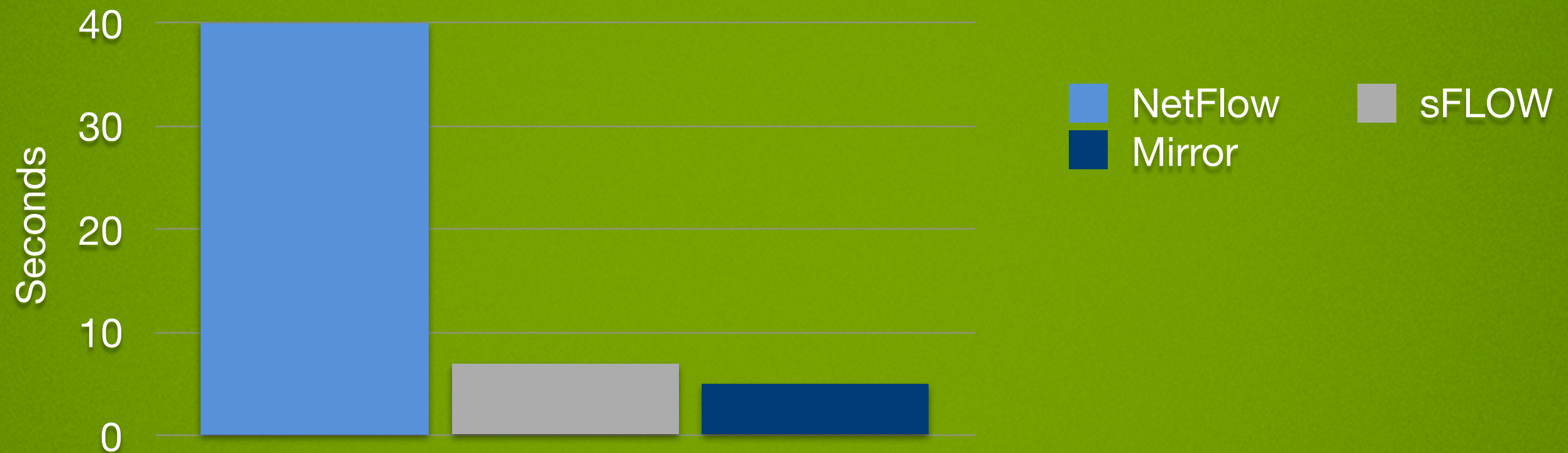
- **FastNetMon:** main core of our solution. DDoS analyzer with sflow/netflow/mirror support
- **InfluxDB:** Scalable data store for metrics, events, and real-time analytics.
- **Grafana:** Gorgeous metric viz, dashboards & editors
- **Redis:** An in-memory database that persists on disk.
- **Morgoth:** Metric anomaly detection for Influx databases
- **BIRD:** a fully functional dynamic IP routing daemon
- **Net Healer:** experimental code to "glue" all moving parts, trigger actions and provide API

How does it work?

FastNetMon – the main core

- supports sFlow (v4/v5), NetFlow (v5/v9/v10), IPFIX and SPAN/mirror
- officially supported in CentOS / Ubuntu / Debian / Vyatta / FreeBSD
- source code available for compiling on your platform
- fast detect IPv4 targets and notify by email, script or populating RedisDB
- BGP support – can advertise routes with communities (for blackhole), or BGP FlowSpec (RFC 5575)
- Tested with Juniper, Cisco, Extreme, Huawei and Linux (ipt_NETFLOW)

FastNetMon: Detection time for capture backends



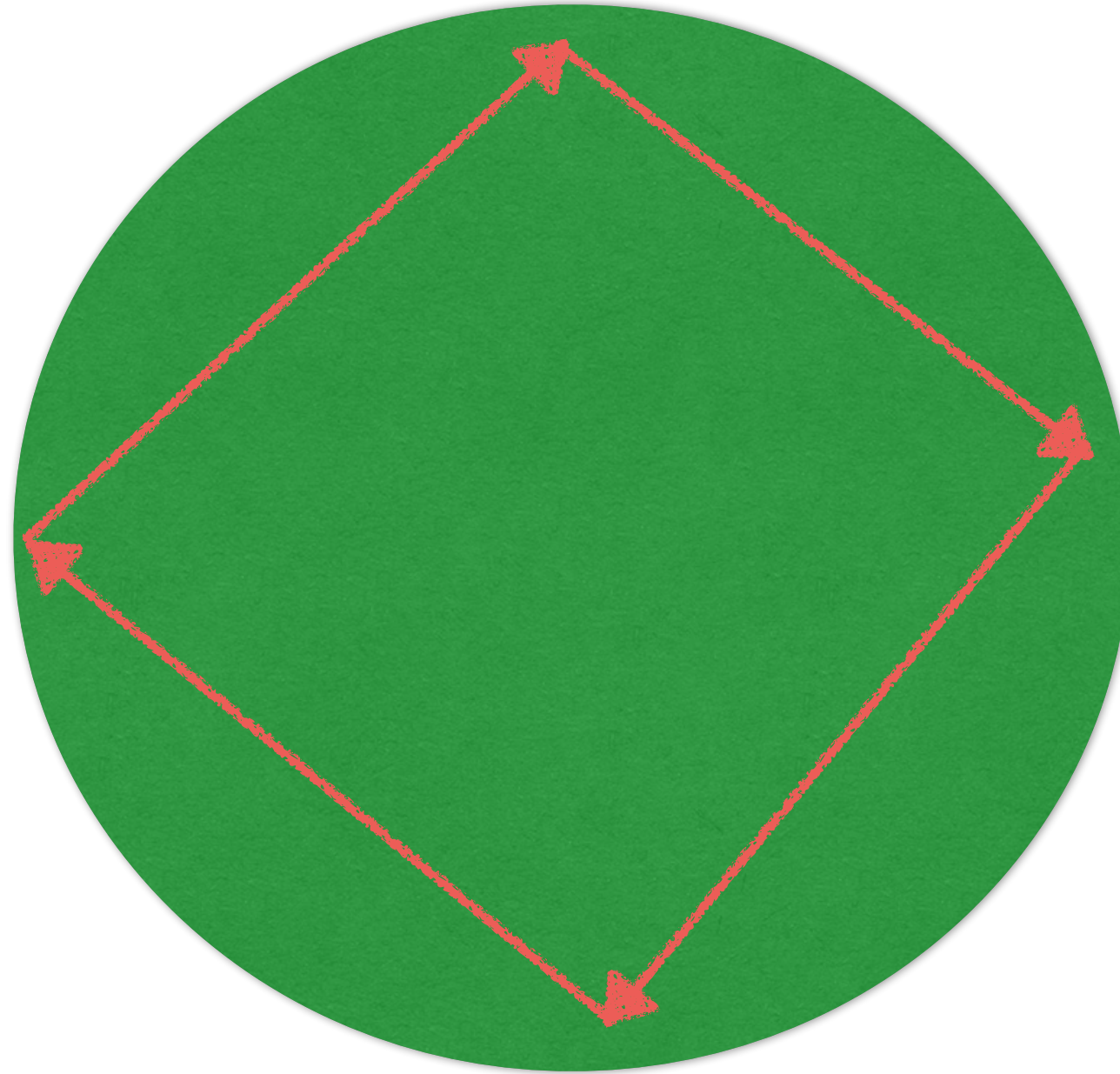
FastNetMon - the main core

- Works by configured thresholds for mbps, pps or flows:
 - global
 - host (/32)
 - host group (CIDR)
 - per protocol (tcp/udp/icmp)

our in-house tests

Cycle
DDoS Attack started

FNM quiescence:
15s per /32



FastNetMon detect the attack
ban = add /32 attack report
on Redis DB

Net Healer watches Redis DB
if the attack report(s) match a policy, trigger an action

Net Healer Policies example:

(in a time period of 5 min)

if attack reports = 2 then trigger on call
if attack reports ≥ 4 then inject /24 route

if attack report = 1 + anomaly detected (morgoth)
then trigger on call + inject /24 route

time window / policies can be customized

Why Net Healer ?

- FNM relies on pre-configured thresholds
- Hard to predict realistic thresholds since our traffic is influenced by our customers activity (out of our control)
- To avoid false positives we prefer to trigger different actions based on each attack cycle.
- Allows quick integrations like Morgoth x FNM consensus, or API calls such as Pagerduty, etc.

Why InfluxDB ?

- Speaks graphite protocol (compatible with FastNetMon)
- Drop in binary - simple install
- Supports cluster mode - easy to scale


Why Morgoth ?


- Implements non-gaussian algorithm (MGOF) to detect anomaly on data stream metrics
- Takes InfluxDB (bps/pps) fingerprints every chunk of 10s
- Compares the actual fingerprint with the past learned traffic
- Anomaly detected? create an alert entry and a graph vertical markdown


Why BIRD ?


- synced with linux kernel routing table
- if a route is added on a separate linux routing table, BIRD will learn this route and advertise it to my edge routers.
RPL announces the prefix to DDoS scrubbing center
- friendly to Network Engineers (birdc)

How does it look ?

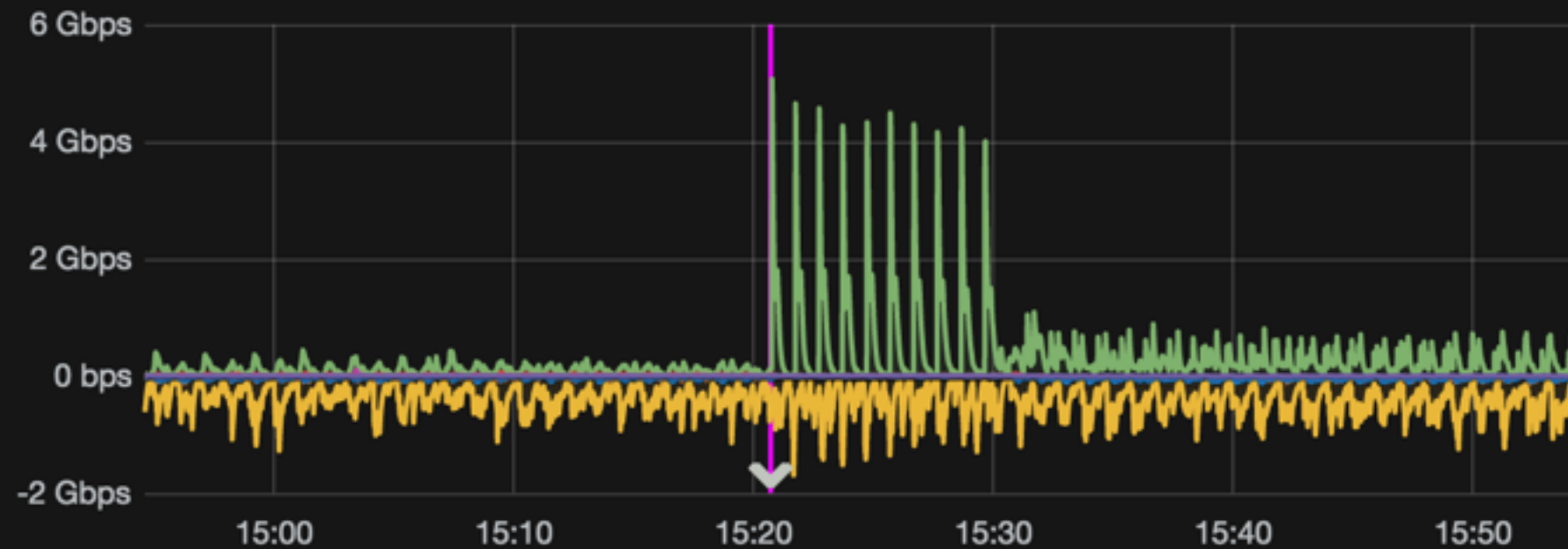
⚡ Attack Warning 

⚡ Attack Critical 

⚡ Anomaly bps 

⚡ Anomaly pps 

IAD1 - Traffic Bandwidth



in / out (bps ratio)

0.958

	max	avg	current
total.mean {direction: incoming}	5.06 Gbps	266 Mbps	108 Mbps
total.mean {direction: outgoing}	1.69 Gbps	417 Mbps	954 Mbps
5-incoming	32 Mbps	7 Mbps	8 bps
-outgoing	124 Mbps	31 Mbps	58 Mbps
-incoming	53 Mbps	8 Mbps	8 bps
-outgoing	123 Mbps	38 Mbps	69 Mbps
-ssl-incoming	101 Mbps	808 Kbps	8 bps
-ssl-outgoing	9 Mbps	2 Mbps	3 Mbps

- ⚡ Attack Warning ☒
- ⚡ Attack Critical ☒
- ⚡ Anomaly bps ☒
- ⚡ Anomaly pps ☒

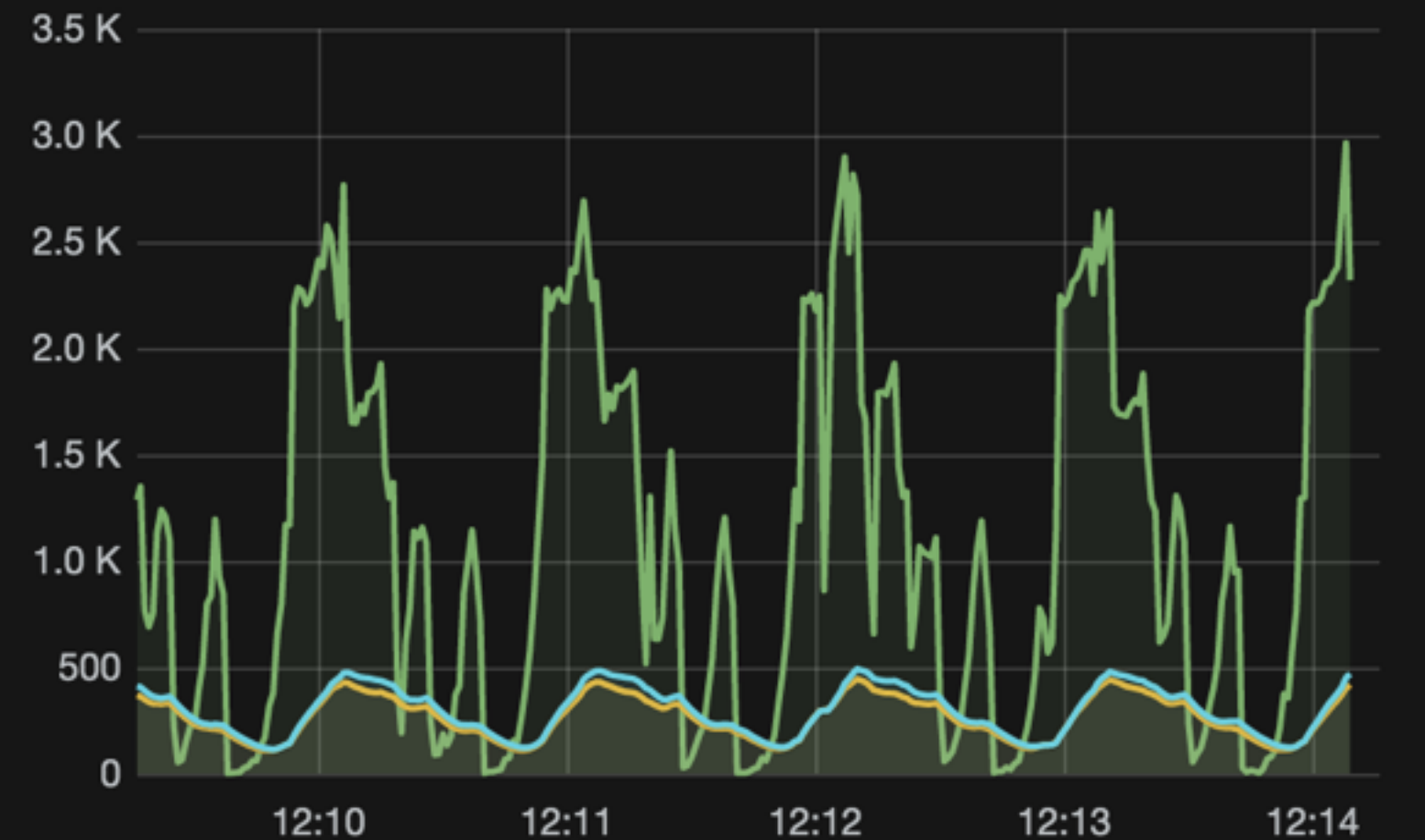


1 - Packets per second



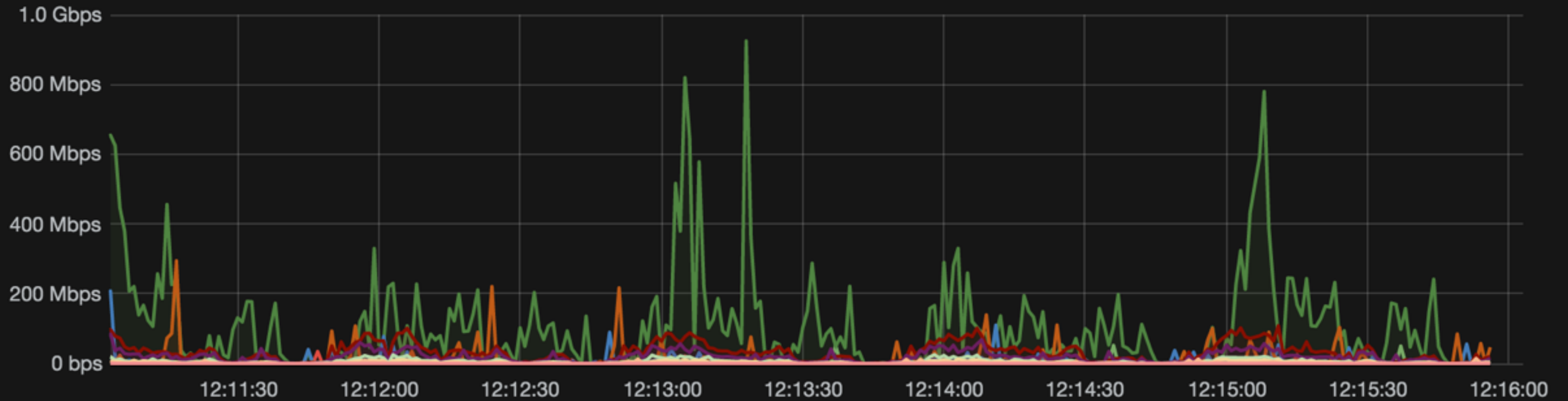
	max	avg	current
total-incoming	130 Kpps	79 Kpps	113 Kpps
total-outgoing	194 Kpps	129 Kpps	166 Kpps
incoming	9 Kpps	5 Kpps	8 Kpps
outgoing	14 Kpps	6 Kpps	8 Kpps
incoming	9 Kpps	5 Kpps	9 Kpps
outgoing	11 Kpps	7 Kpps	11 Kpps
ssl-incoming	337 pps	107 pps	48 pps
ssl-outgoing	252 pps	112 pps	70 pps
incoming	15 pps	4 pps	1 pps
outgoing	17 pps	5 pps	1 pps

1 - Flow amount



	max	avg	current
total-incoming	2.963 K	1.111 K	2.318 K
incoming	445	268	417
incoming	492	297	469
ssl-incoming			
incoming			

/24 breakdown - Incoming bps



	max	avg	current ▼
networks	294 Mbps	11 Mbps	46 Mbps
networks	108 Mbps	32 Mbps	20 Mbps
networks	84 Mbps	19 Mbps	15 Mbps
networks	25 Mbps	6 Mbps	4 Mbps
networks	14 Mbps	3 Mbps	2 Mbps
networks	14 Mbps	4 Mbps	1 Mbps
networks	14 Mbps	1 Mbps	465 Kbps
networks	6 Mbps	247 Kbps	281 Kbps
networks	52 Mbps	870 Kbps	198 Kbps


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~$ jq -e <<< $(curl -sk https://nethealer1.10.10.10/healer/v1/ddos/status)
{
  "status": "clear",
  "timestamp": "20150816-195527"
}
~$ jq -e <<< $(curl -sk https://nethealer1.10.10.10/healer/v1/ddos/status)
{
  "status": "warning",
  "target": {
    "192.168.1.1": 3,
    "192.168.1.2": 3
  },
  "timestamp": "20150816-195703"
}

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~$ jq -e <<< $(curl -sk https://nethealer1.10.10.10/healer/v1/ddos/status)
{
  "status": "critical",
  "target": {
    "192.168.1.1": 5,
    "192.168.1.2": 5
  },
  "timestamp": "20150816-195926"
}
~$

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~$ jq . <<< $(curl -sk https://nethealer1. [REDACTED]/healer/v1/ddos/reports)
{
  "reports": [
    {
      "ip": "192.168.1.1",
      "information": {
        "ip": "192.168.1.1",
        "attack_details": {
          "attack_type": "unknown",
          "initial_attack_power": 5076,
          "peak_attack_power": 5076,
          "attack_direction": "outgoing",
          "attack_protocol": "tcp",
          "total_incoming_traffic": 1397974,
          "total_outgoing_traffic": 3427164,
          "total_incoming_pps": 3885,
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          "total_incoming_flows": 210,
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          "average_outgoing_traffic": 3427164,
          "average_incoming_pps": 3885,
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          "outgoing_syn_tcp_traffic": 1976571,
          "incoming_syn_tcp_pps": 2260,
          "outgoing_syn_tcp_pps": 3225,
          "incoming_udp_traffic": 0,

```



From: DDoS Detection

To: Network Operations

Healer Dashboard: <https://netmonitor>

Attack info:

192. .1:

fqdn:

site: IAD1

alerts: 2

protocol:

- udp

incoming:

total:

mbps: 263.59

pps: 628056

flows: 523

tcp:

mbps: 0.9

pps: 2790

syn:

mbps: 0.14

pps: 808

udp:

mbps: 646.55

pps: 9622050

icmp:

mbps: 1.98

pps: 36764

attack_type: udp_flood

- 'UDP flows: 76'

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.1:29126 < 193.15.55.5:123 256392 bytes 2374 packets
.1:29126 < 83.234.89.5:123 3975192 bytes 9998 packets
.1:29126 < 37.59.44.6:123 5301036 bytes 11327 packets
.1:29126 < 46.105.191.10:123 3513420 bytes 7591 packets
.1:29126 < 217.198.8.13:123 3734928 bytes 9786 packets
.1:29126 < 109.201.64.18:123 116312976 bytes 248532 packets
.1:29126 < 5.135.125.18:123 147996 bytes 329 packets
.1:29126 < 94.190.64.21:123 445680 bytes 2476 packets
.1:29126 < 185.70.135.26:123 116703756 bytes 249367 packets
.1:29126 < 95.188.64.32:123 4507272 bytes 10014 packets
.1:29126 < 198.27.65.33:123 149256 bytes 336 packets
.1:29126 < 46.105.49.36:123 1235196 bytes 2685 packets
.1:29126 < 198.91.51.37:123 5482692 bytes 12473 packets
.1:29126 < 37.187.90.41:123 308880 bytes 660 packets
.1:29126 < 77.37.160.44:123 452520 bytes 2514 packets
.1:29126 < 94.23.217.46:123 2492100 bytes 5325 packets
.1:29126 < 176.31.34.50:123 64620 bytes 199 packets
.1:29126 < 86.59.35.50:123 7455996 bytes 17435 packets
.1:29126 < 46.105.74.56:123 235512 bytes 512 packets
.1:29126 < 85.118.60.57:123 76747788 bytes 163991 packets
.1:29126 < 5.39.65.67:123 202032 bytes 508 packets
.1:29126 < 92.63.149.74:123 267840 bytes 2480 packets
.1:29126 < 149.202.30.78:123 410472 bytes 1084 packets
.1:29126 < 194.177.31.81:123 619668 bytes 2459 packets
.1:29126 < 178.47.130.82:123 4165956 bytes 10055 packets
.1:29126 < 89.203.137.86:123 7477560 bytes 16216 packets
.1:29126 < 185.50.214.100:123 265896 bytes 2462 packets
.1:29126 < 208.92.219.100:123 999504 bytes 2524 packets
.1:29126 < 208.92.219.103:123 3187368 bytes 7582 packets
.1:29126 < 212.232.61.120:123 2802780 bytes 7523 packets
.1:29126 < 74.118.17.124:123 112431852 bytes 240239 packets
.1:29126 < 213.155.226.132:123 1996740 bytes 5037 packets
.1:29126 < 142.54.178.138:123 1797876 bytes 4983 packets
.1:29126 < 176.31.104.142:123 190296 bytes 502 packets
.1:29126 < 5.39.70.150:123 4489992 bytes 9594 packets
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Work in progress

all the ingredients on this recipe are open source

About Net Healer: experimental Ruby code ideas, issues and pull requests are **more** than **welcome**

Join FastNetMon mail list

- <https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/fastnetmon>

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- https://github.com/zenvdeluca/net_healer



Thank you !

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