

# Missing Clues

## *How to Prevent Critical Gaps in Your Security Monitoring*

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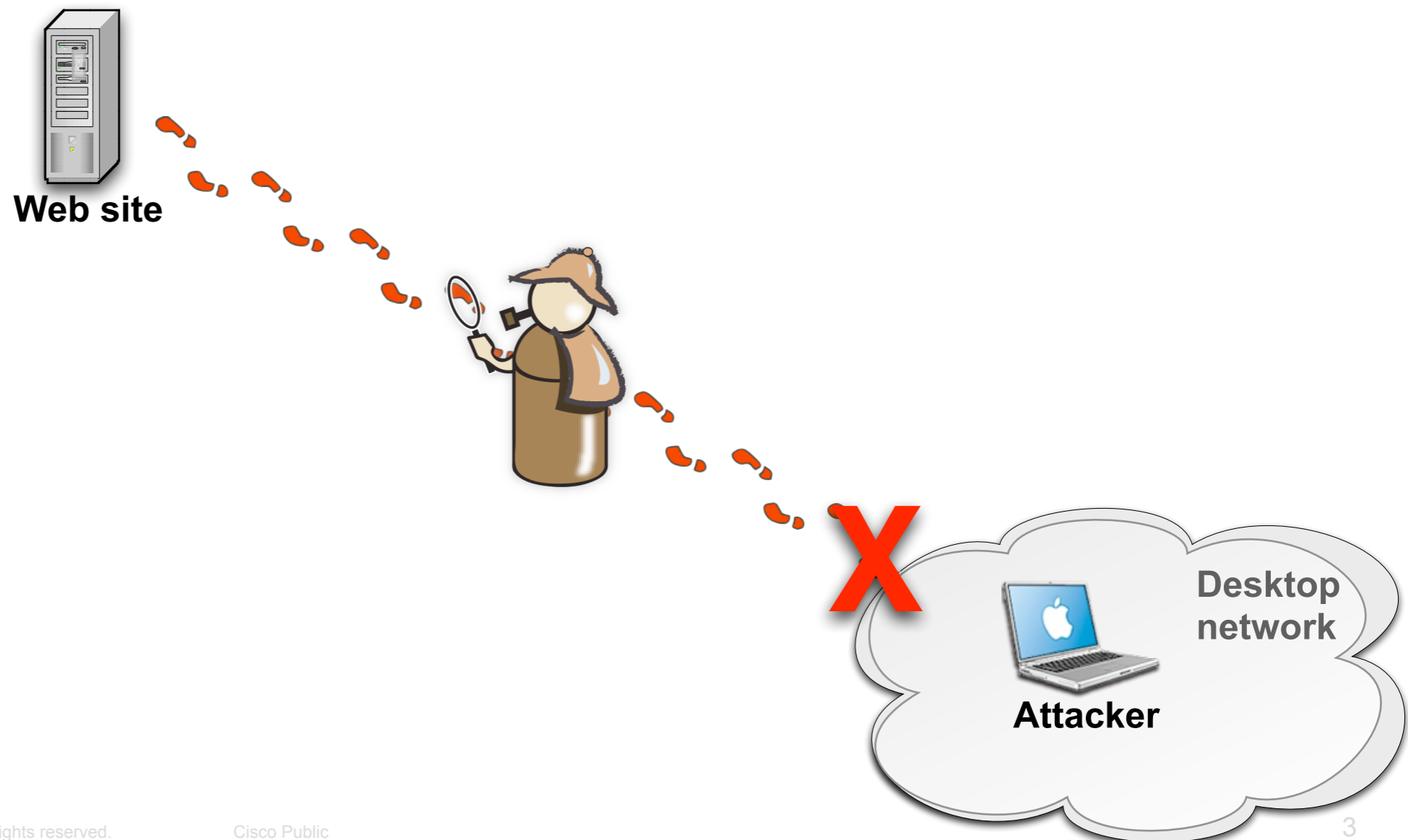
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CONSEQUENCES!!

# Investigation Hit Dead End

- NetFlow records correlated to desktop subnet
- No DHCP logs to trace who had IP address at that time..
- Dead End!



# Today's Outline

- Review security monitoring architecture
- Maintain configurations
  - Policies, agreements
  - Automation
- Monitor event sources
- System monitoring solutions
  - Using Nagios
- Closing
  - Watching for new event sources
  - Implementation checklist



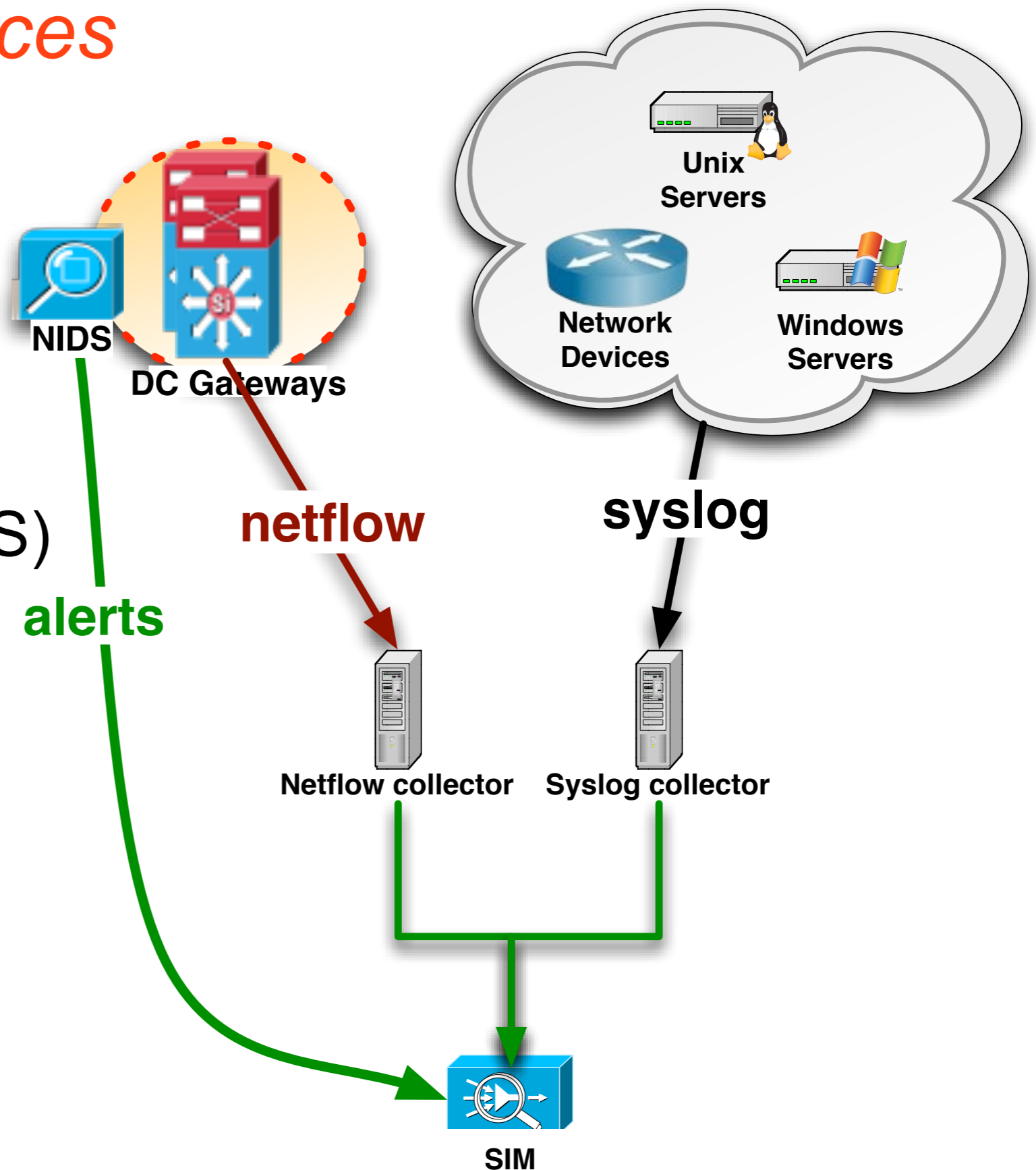


# **Review Security Monitoring Architecture**

# Review Security Monitoring Architecture

## Common Event Sources

- Network intrusion detection systems (NIDS)
- NetFlow
- Server logs
  - Unix (syslog)
  - Windows event logs
- Network device logs
- Application logs (web server, etc.)
- Database audit records



# Review Security Monitoring Architecture

## *Common Interruptions to Event Flows*

### Problems

Device misconfiguration

Resource exhaustion

Network problems

### Examples

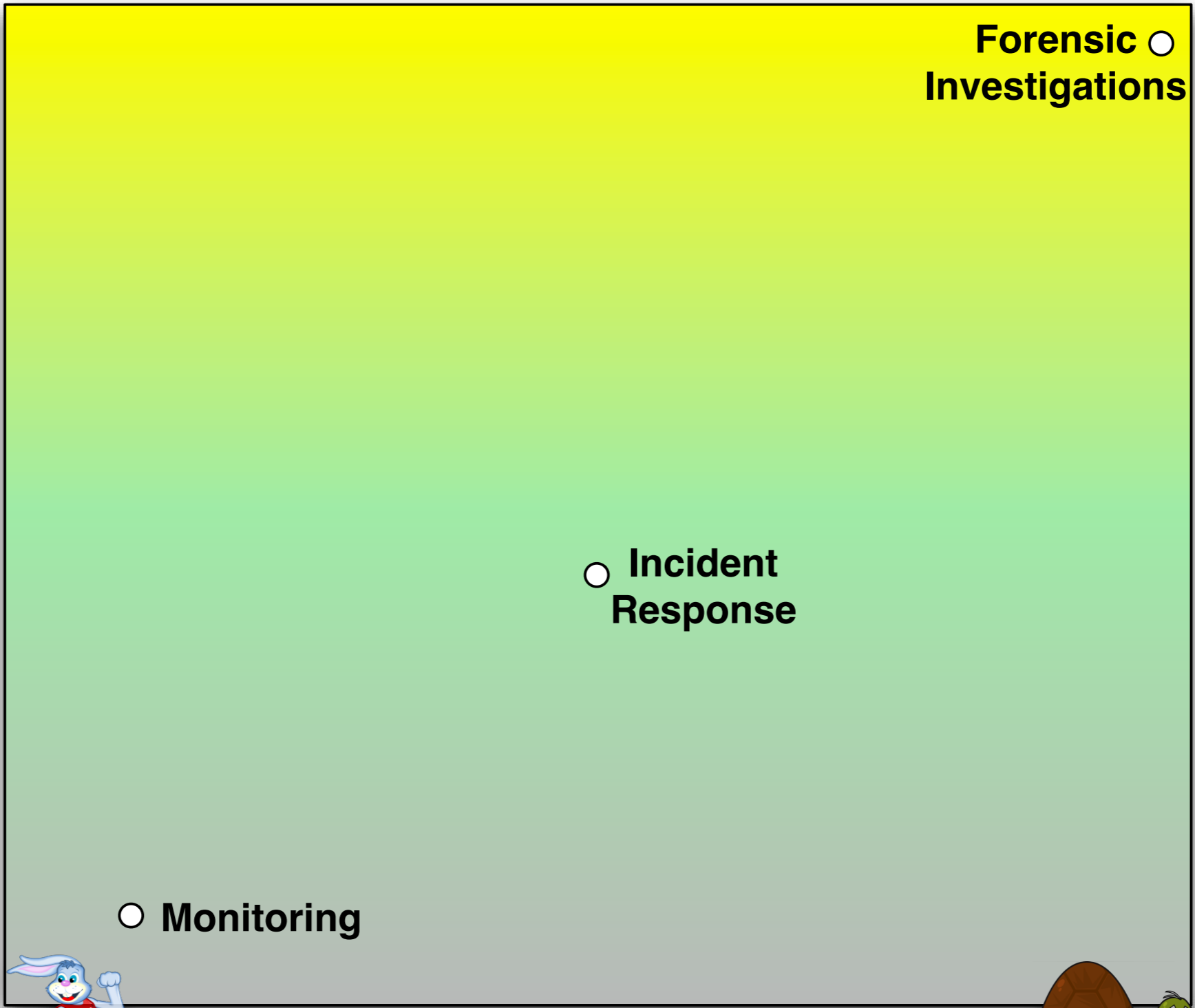
- Router spans changed
- NetFlow exports removed
- Syslog.conf changed by sysadmin
  
- Disk full
- Memory full
- Insufficient CPU
  
- Link saturated
- Firewall ACLs changed
- IP address changes

# Review Security Monitoring Architecture

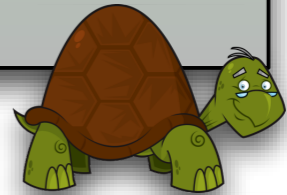
## *Retention of Event Data*



**Completeness**



**Timeliness**





# Review System Monitoring Architecture

## *Events from Host and Network Devices*

### Device Type

### Events

All

Authentication

Config changes

Service stops/starts

Firewalls

Permit/deny records

Remote access

IP assignments to user/machine

Cache engines

Content access

DHCP Servers

IP assignments to user/machine

Wireless access

IP assignments to user/machine





**Maintain Configurations**



# Maintain Configurations

## *Document Commitments*

- **SLA:** Document agreements with support teams

- Expectations

- Patching

- Change notification

- Timelines

- Refresh every year

- **Review assets regularly**

- Look for new assets, new feeds, replaced hosts, etc.

- Check for feeds/hosts that have changed/disappeared

- Check for ownership changes due to re-orgs



# Maintain Configurations

## *Policies*

- Event sources must log to remote servers
- Store events read-only
  - Prevent attacker from erasing logs
- Policy requires:
  - Who**: which servers should log
  - What** must be logged
  - Where** logs must go





# Maintain Configurations

## *Automated Config Management*

- Ensures logging (and other things) conform to policy
- Improves consistency
- How to:

Build and deploy standard template

Leverage existing frameworks

Red Hat Network - package deployment

Microsoft System Center Configuration Manager

...or build custom framework

Cisco autoconfig templates



# Maintain Configurations

## *Example Syslog Template*

```
# Sample section of syslog.conf to enable remote logging
local2.notice    /var/log/sudolog
local2.notice    @10.83.4.102
local3.info      /var/adm/ssh.log
local3.info      @10.83.4.102
local4.info      /var/adm/tcpwrap.log
local4.info      @10.83.4.102
local7.info      /var/adm/portentry.log
local7.info      @10.83.4.102
*.err;kern.debug;daemon.notice;mail.crit
@10.83.4.102
auth.notice      /var/log/authlog
auth.notice      @@10.83.4.102
```



**Syslog collector  
10.83.4.102**

# Maintain Configurations

## *Example Router Config Template*

```
# Setup NetFlow export to our  
# NetFlow collector at 10.83.4.99  
ip flow-export source Loopback0  
ip flow-export version 5  
ip flow-export destination 10.83.4.99 2055
```



NetFlow collector  
10.83.4.99

```
# Setup logging for certain events to our  
# event log collector at 10.83.4.102  
logging facility auth  
logging facility daemon  
logging trap informational  
logging host 10.83.4.102
```



Syslog collector  
10.83.4.102



# Monitor Event Sources



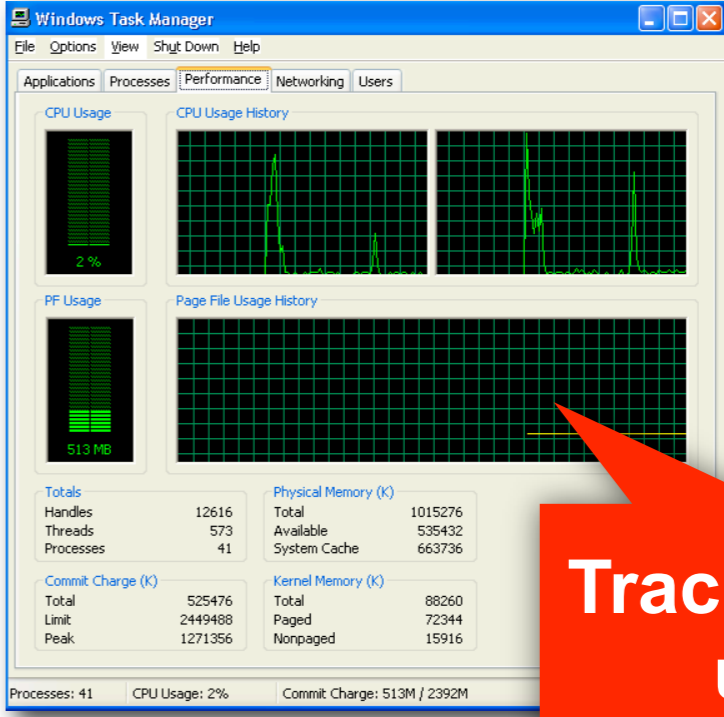
# Monitor Event Sources

## *Health Monitoring -- Common Problems*

- Disk space filling up
- Memory & swap filling up
- Maxing out CPU (load)
- System crash
- Defunct/zombie processes

# Monitor Event Sources

## Health Monitoring



**Track memory usage**

```
test-gw1>show proc
CPU utilization for five seconds: 2%/0%; one minute: 0%; five minutes: 0%
PID QTY PC Runtime (ms) Invoked uSecs Stacks TTY Process
1 Cwe 6003581C 72 246 29 5484/6000 0 Chunk Manager
2 Csp 60B76818 16392 6145 0 0 0 Load Meter
3 Mwe 627D8898 0 0 0 0 0 chkpt message ha
4 Mwe 623E45B0 0 0 0 0 0 EDDRI_MAIN
5 Lst 60032B70 51948052 3224 0 0 0 Check heaps
```

**Monitor CPU utilization**

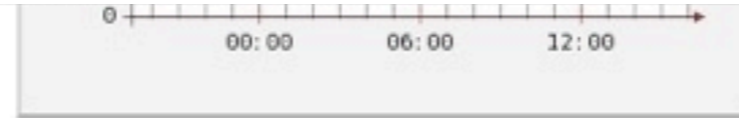
```
[netflow@blanco-nfc-1 ~]# ps auxww | grep -i z
USER PID %CPU %MEM VSZ RSS TTY STAT START TIME COMMAND
netflow 14644 0.0 0.0 0 0 ? Z Sep19 0:02 [find] <defunct>
netflow 27622 0.0 0.0 0 0 ? Z Sep20 0:02 [find] <defunct>
```

**Watch for too many defunct processes**

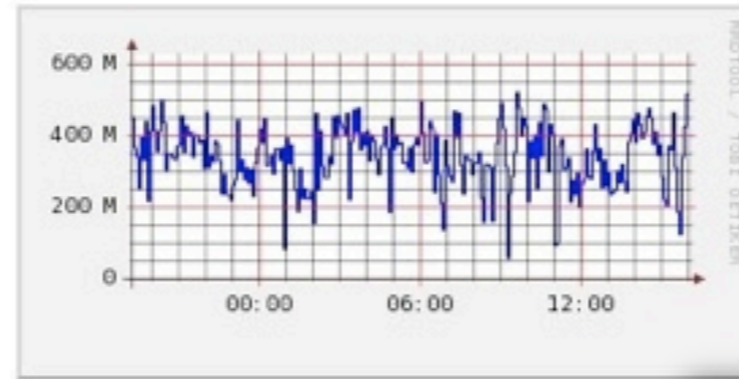
# Monitor Event Sources

## *NIDS - Common Problems*

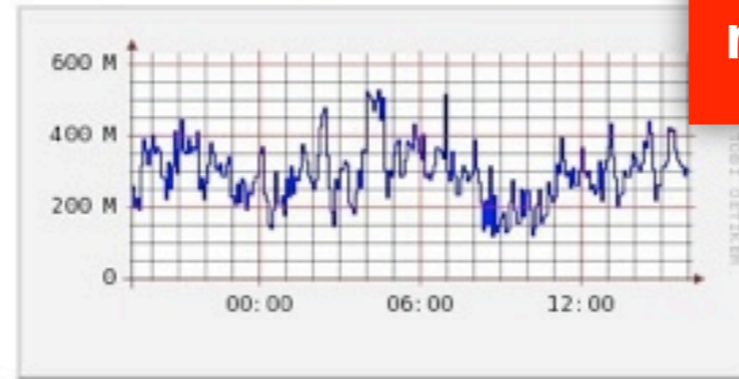
- Resource exhaustion
- Running but not generating events
- NIDS becomes unresponsive
- Spans or trunks change
- Too much traffic to inspect



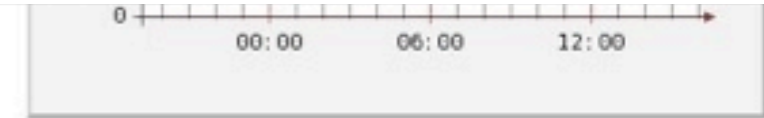
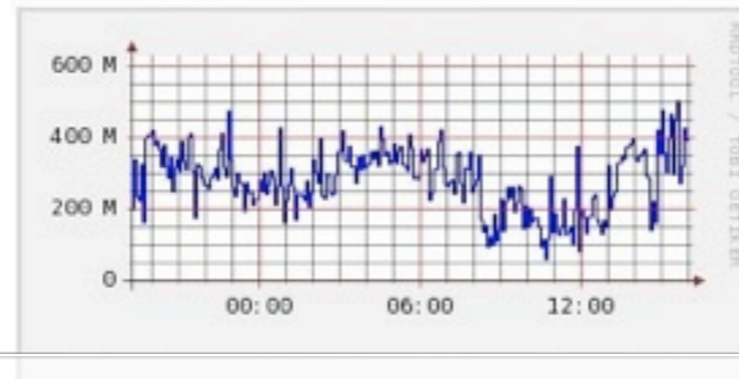
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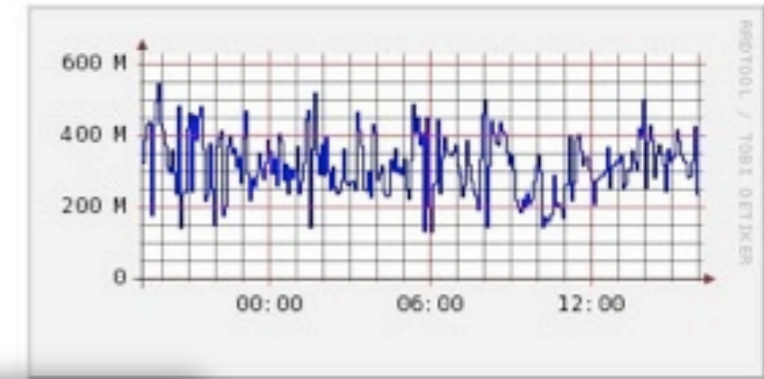
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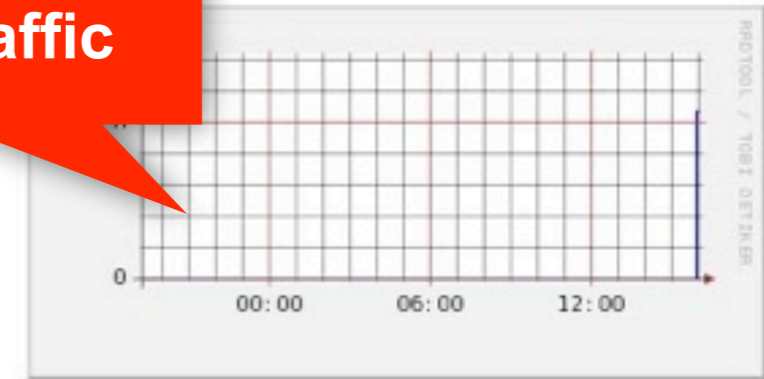
Traffic Analysis for [redacted]-nms-7



Traffic Analysis for [redacted]-nms-4

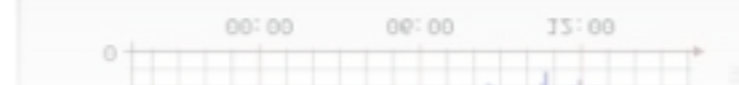
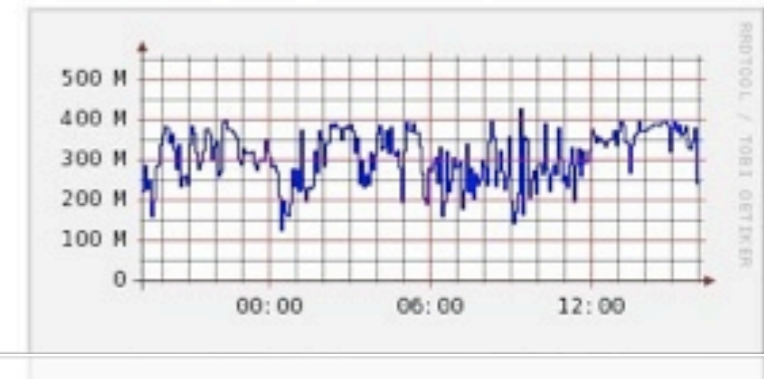


Traffic Analysis for [redacted]-nms-6



**Sensor no longer receiving traffic**

Traffic Analysis for [redacted]-nms-8



# Monitor Event Sources

## *NIDS Monitoring (Cisco IPS examples)*

```
ids-1# show version
```

```
Application Partition:
```

```
Cisco Intrusion Prevention System, Version 6.1(1)E2
```

```
-- output clipped for brevity --
```

MainApp	M-2008_APR_24_19_16	(Release)	2008-04-24T19:49:05-0500	Running
AnalysisEngine	ME-2008_JUN_05_18_26	(Release)	2008-06-05T18:55:02-0500	Running
CLI	M-2008_APR_24_19_16	(Release)	2008-04-24T19:49:05-0500	

```
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```

**Ensure key processes are running**

```
ids-1# show version
```

```
Application Partition:
```

```
Cisco Intrusion Prevention System, Version 6.1(1)E2
```

```
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```

```
Using 1901985792 out of 4100345856 bytes of available memory (46% usage)
```

```
system is using 17.7M out of 29.0M bytes of available disk space (61% usage)
```

```
application-data is using 51.6M out of 166.8M bytes of available disk space (33% usage)
```

```
boot is using 40.6M out of 69.5M bytes of available disk space (62% usage)
```

```
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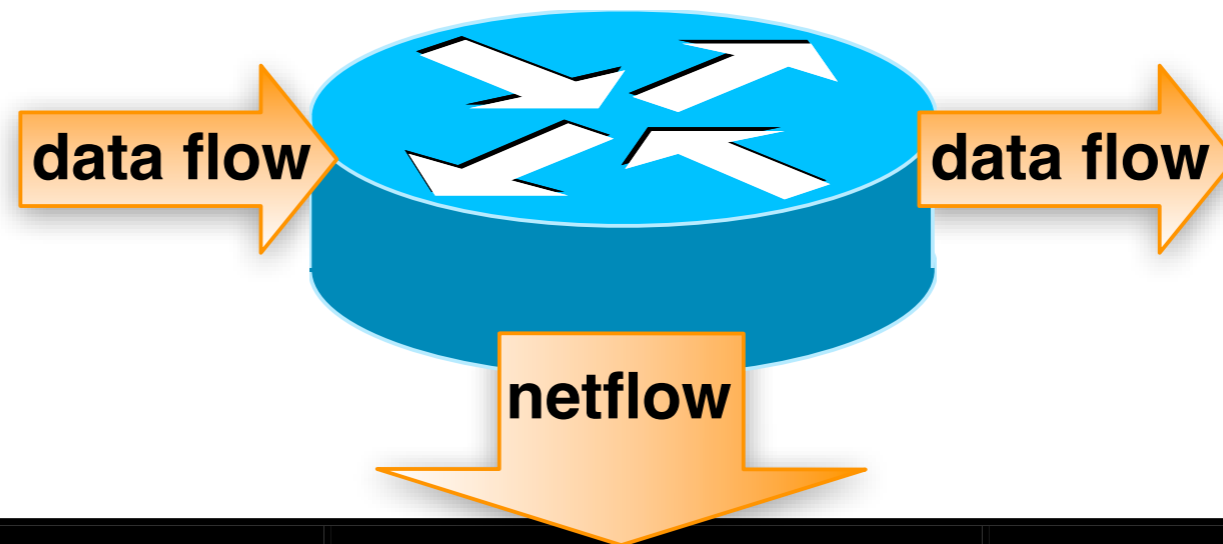
**Monitor available memory**



# Monitor Event Sources

## NetFlow

- Telemetry pushed from Cisco devices
  - Simple summary of connections
  - Negligible performance impact on routers
- Supported by Juniper & Alcatel (cflowd), Huawei (NetStream)
- Free!
- Like a phone bill
  - Packet capture is like a wire tap
- Used for IR, investigations, anomaly detection
- Collection tools
  - Some offer compression
  - OSU Flow Tools (free)
  - nfdump (free)
  - Cisco NetFlow Collector

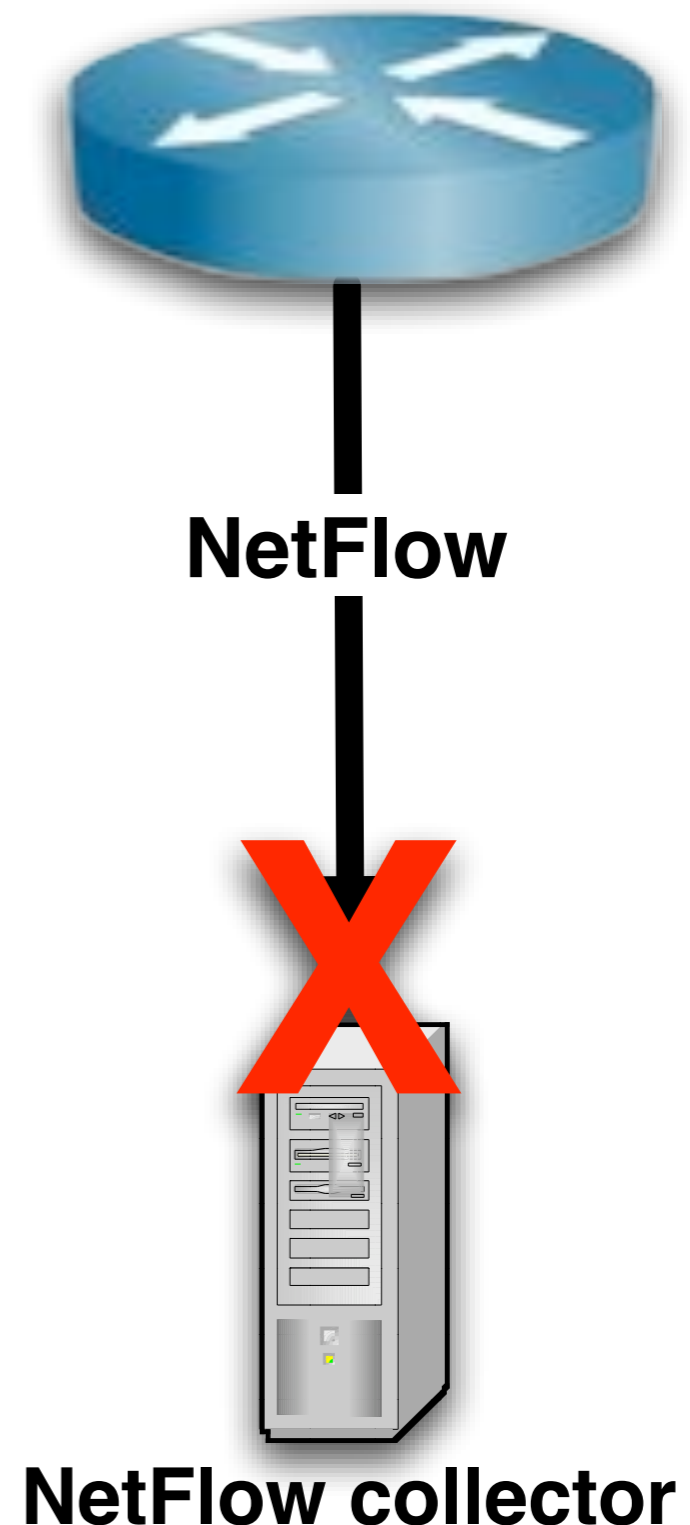


Source IP:Port	Destination IP:Port	Packets	Date/Time
192.168.15.7:2068	211.160.17.195:8080	7	5/7/2008 8:11:13 GMT
192.168.21.5:1042	72.18.45.223:21	219	5/7/2008 9:00:03 GMT
192.168.6.22:3161	172.18.15.188:80	1	5/7/2008 9:05:16 GMT

# Monitor Event Sources

## *NetFlow Collection - Common Problems*

- Flow exports changed/  
removed
- Network changes prevent  
flows from reaching  
collector
- Capture process stops  
running
- File systems:
  - Not mounted or writable
  - Full



# Monitor Event Sources

## NetFlow Monitoring - Manual Checks

```
[mnystrom@blanco-dc-nfc-1 ~]$ netstat -l | grep 2055
udp          0          0 *:2055      *:*
```

Ensure collector listening for NetFlow

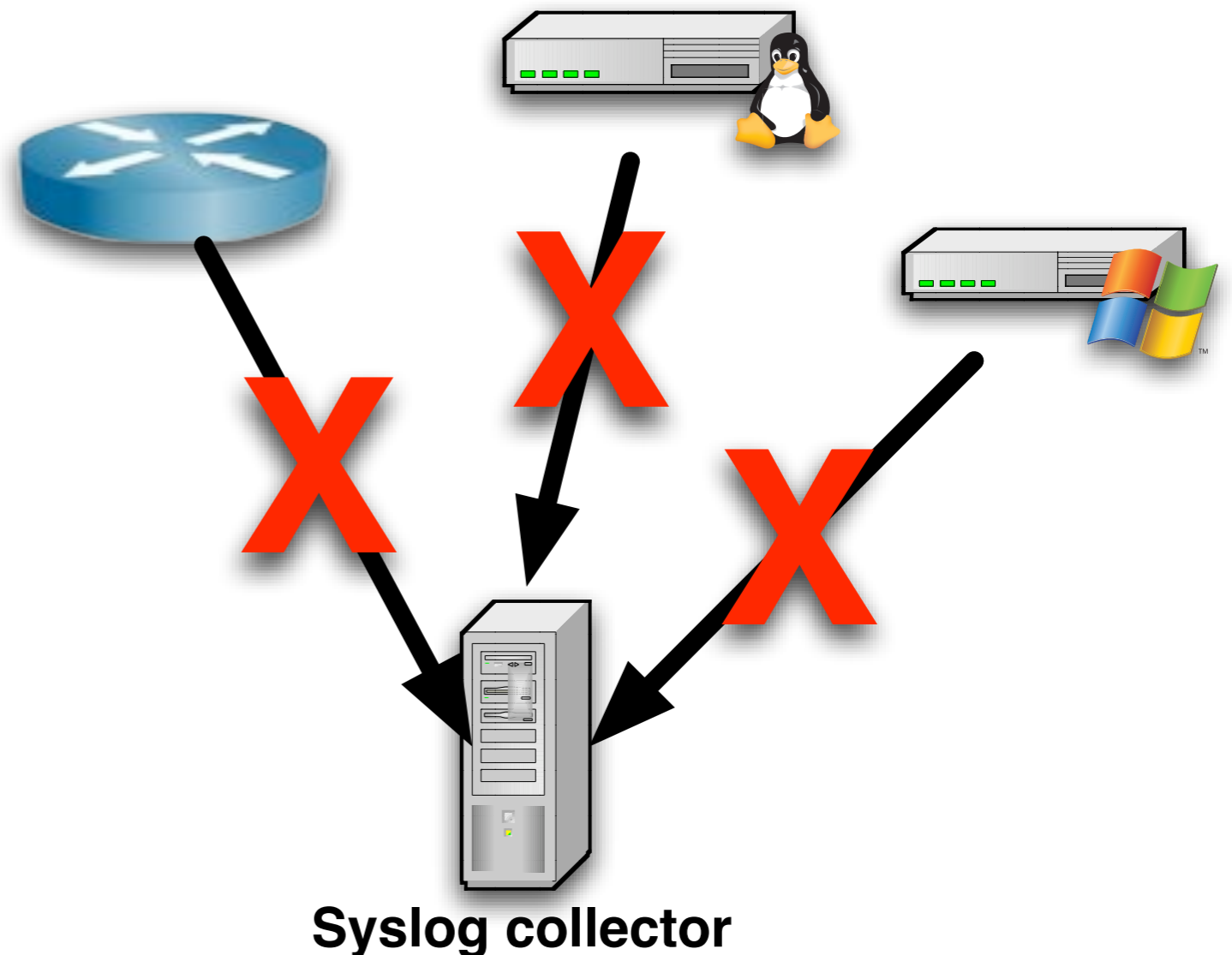
```
dc-gw1>show ip flow export
Flow export v5 is enabled for main cache
Exporting flows to 10.83.4.99 (2055)
Exporting using source interface Loopback0
Version 5 flow records, peer-as
327844689 flows exported in 10928453 udp datagrams
0 flows failed due to lack of export packet
1 export packets were sent up to process level
4 export packets were dropped due to no fib
4 export packets were dropped due to adjacency issues
0 export packets were dropped due to fragmentation failures
0 export packets were dropped due to encapsulation fixup failures
0 export packets were dropped enqueueing for the RP
0 export packets were dropped due to IPC rate limiting
```

Ensure router sending NetFlow to collector

# Source Types

## *Host and Device Logs - Common Problems*

- Devices not exporting to collector
- Not exporting correct event types
- Collector not listening
- File systems:
  - Not mounted or writable
  - Full





# Monitor Event Sources

## Host and Device Monitoring -- Manual Checks

Monitor configs  
to ensure  
sending events

```
$ ssh webserver-1 grep 10.83.4.102 /etc/syslog.conf  
*.* @10.83.4.102
```

### Monitor log configuration

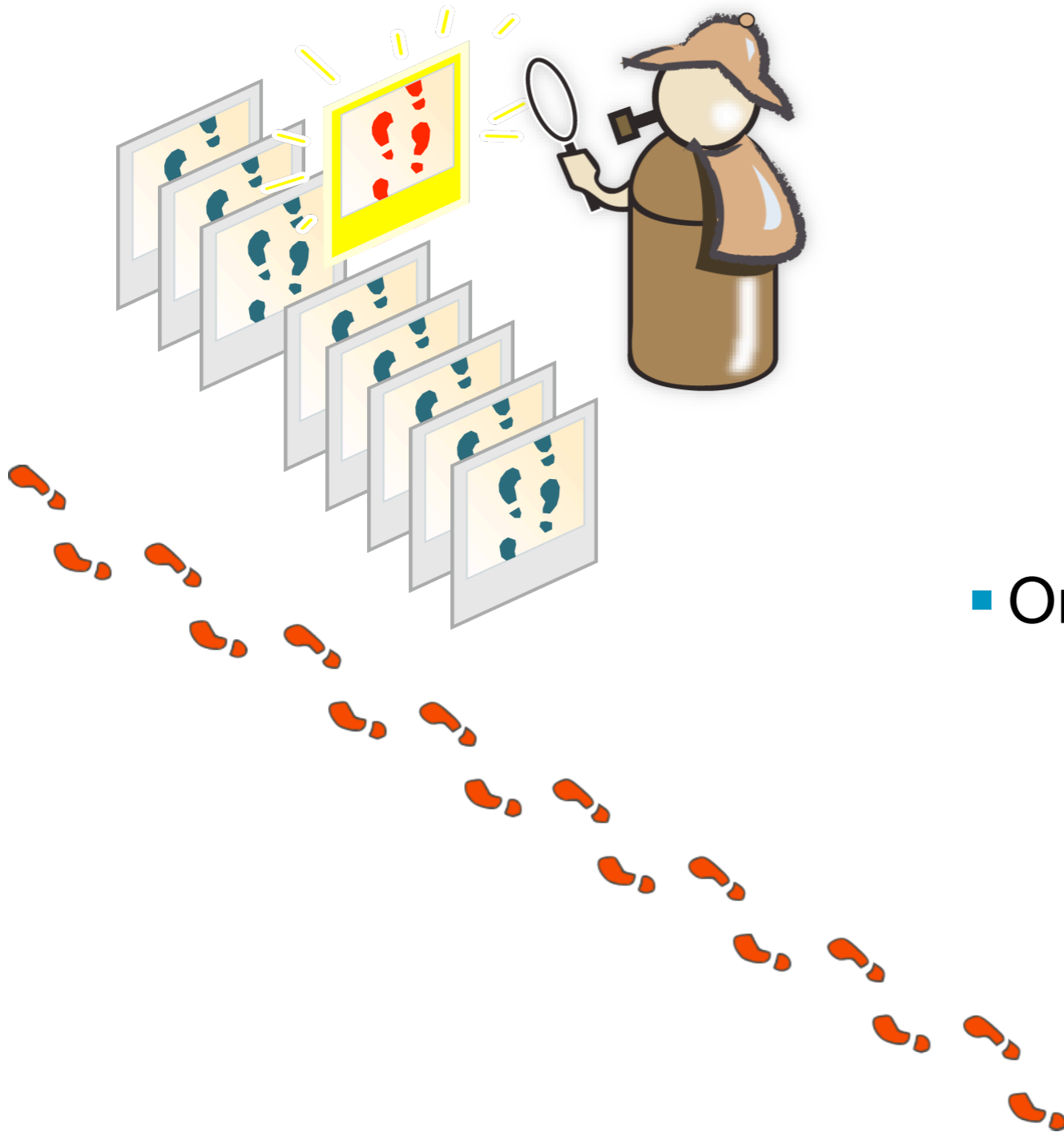
Check for recent  
events from each  
device

```
[mnystrom@collector-1 logs]$ egrep "Sep 19 03:.*webserver-1" /apps/logs/all-*/apps/logs/all-06:Sep 19 03:27:35 webserver-1 ntpdate[9910]: [ID 558275 daemon.notice] adjust time server 10.81.254.202 offset 0.037428 sec  
  
/apps/logs/all-06:Sep 19 03:30:22 webserver-1 sshd[9967]: [ID 800047 local3.info] Accepted rsa for root from 171.70.170.241 port 45915
```

### Monitor incoming events

# Monitor Event Sources

## Web Server and Database Logs



- Web server logs

Can verify and elucidate attacks

Use HTTP status codes to determine if IDS alert really worked

Provide URL details used in attack

Capturing...

**Apache:** Send as syslog via httpd.conf setting

**IIS:** Send as syslog via MonitorWare Agent

- Oracle logs

Pull logs from AUD\$ table via SQL

Types of auditing

Statement

Fine-grained (FGA)

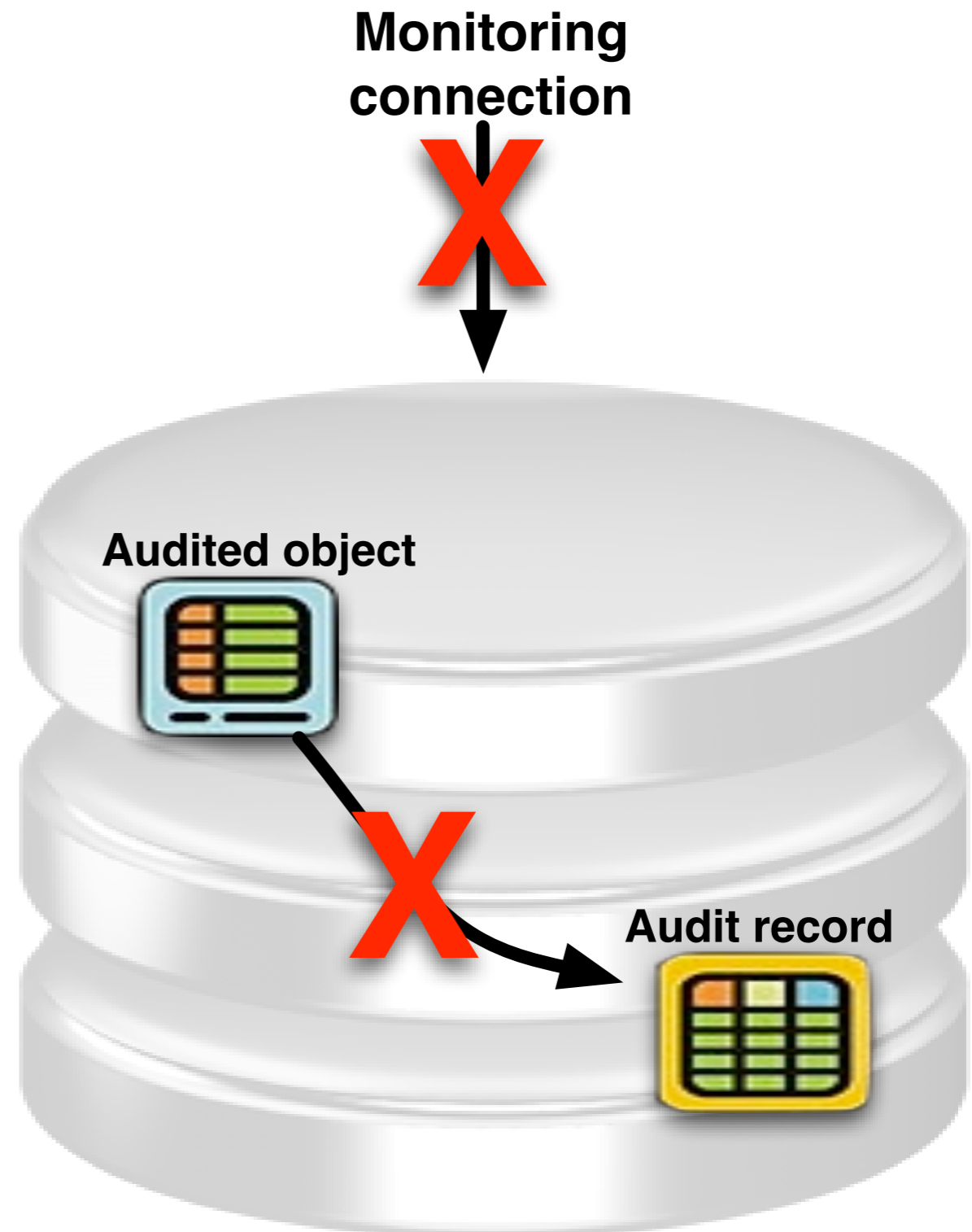
Privilege

Schema object

# Monitor Event Sources

## *Database Logs -- Common Problems*

- Broken connection
  - Network errors
  - Database errors
  - Account/password problems
- Auditing disabled
  - Events no longer being recorded



# Monitor Event Sources

## *Database Events -- Manual Checks*

```
thor$ sqlplus watchdog/tiger@dbprod
```

```
Connected to dbprod as watchdog from thor
```

```
Your sessionid is 313854
```

```
Oracle8i Enterprise Edition Release 8.1.7.3.0 - Production
```

**Ensure  
connectivity to  
retrieve events**

```
select count(*) from SYS.AUD$ where  
(current_timestamp - aud$.timestamp#) > 5*1/24/60
```

```
count(*)
```

```
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```

```
0
```

**Check for recent events:  
*No events logged in past 5 minutes***





**System Monitoring Solutions**

# System Monitoring Solutions

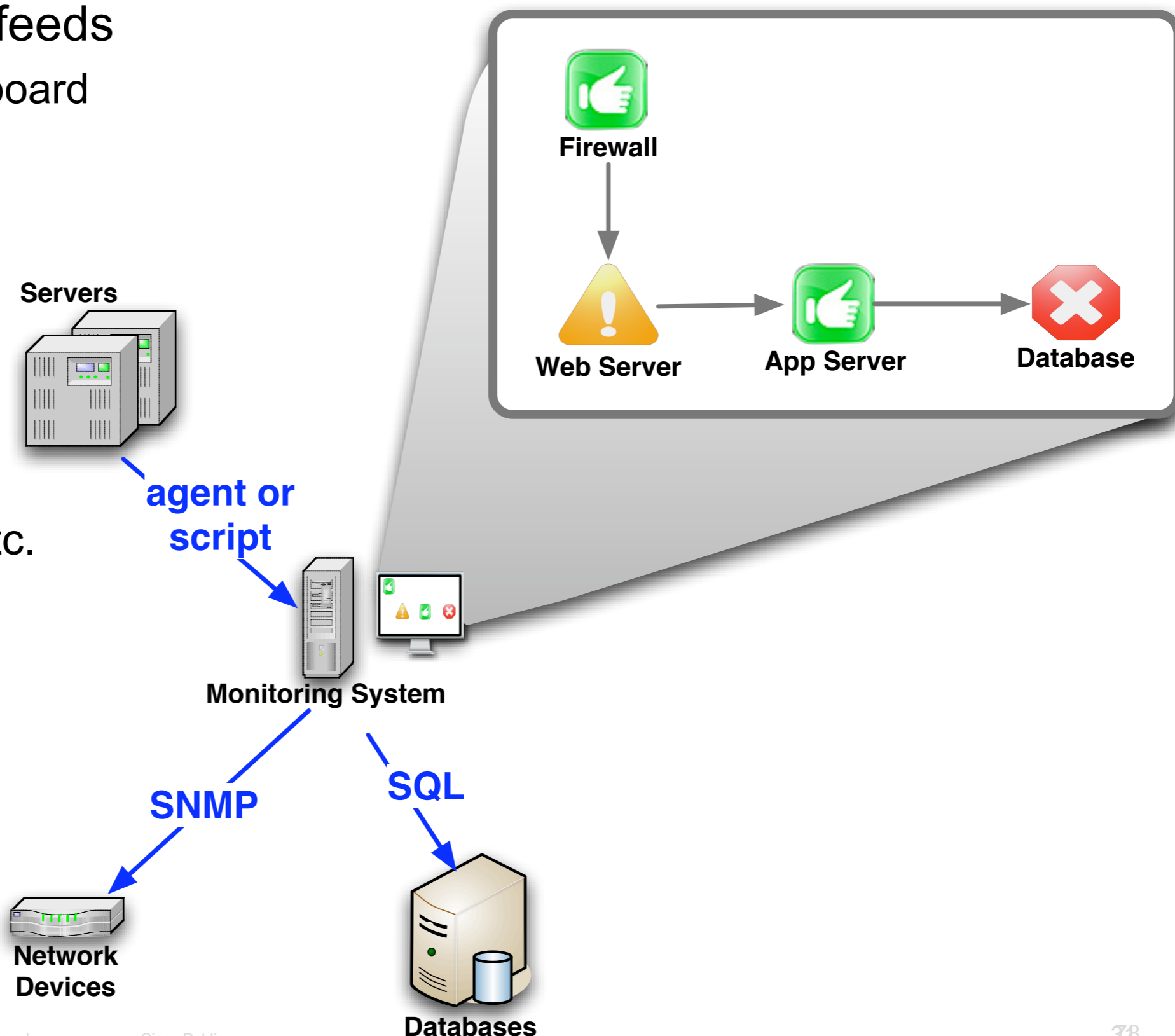
## *Need for Automation*

- Problems with manual checks
  - Not scalable
  - Unreliable (ad-hoc)
  - Inefficient
  - No metrics
- Packaged systems
  - Traditionally for network availability monitoring
  - Commercial examples: HP OpenView, Tivoli, CA Unicenter
  - Open source examples: OpenNMS, Pandora FMS, Zenoss, Nagios

# System Monitoring Solutions

## Overview

- Use tools to monitor feeds
  - Shows status in dashboard
  - Can script fixes
    - *restarts, etc.*
- Watches
  - Health of hosts
  - Volume of logs/traffic
- Scriptable
  - Shell, Perl, Expect, etc.



# System Monitoring Solutions



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- Open source system monitoring solution
- Automated health monitoring of security events
- Simple to deploy
- Flexible and easily extensible
- GNU GPL 2 License

**Current Network Status**  
 Last Updated: Fri Sep 26 10:19:54 PDT 2008  
 Updated every 90 seconds  
 Nagios® 3.0.1 - [www.nagios.org](http://www.nagios.org)  
 Logged in as *daschwar*

[View History For all hosts](#)  
[View Notifications For All Hosts](#)  
[View Host Status Detail For All Hosts](#)

**Host Status Totals**

Up	Down	Unreachable	Pending
171	2	0	0

<a href="#">All Problems</a>	<a href="#">All Types</a>
2	173

**Service Status Totals**

Ok	Warning	Unknown	Critical	Pending
1090	30	3	39	0

<a href="#">All Problems</a>	<a href="#">All Types</a>
72	1162

**Service Status Details For All Hosts**

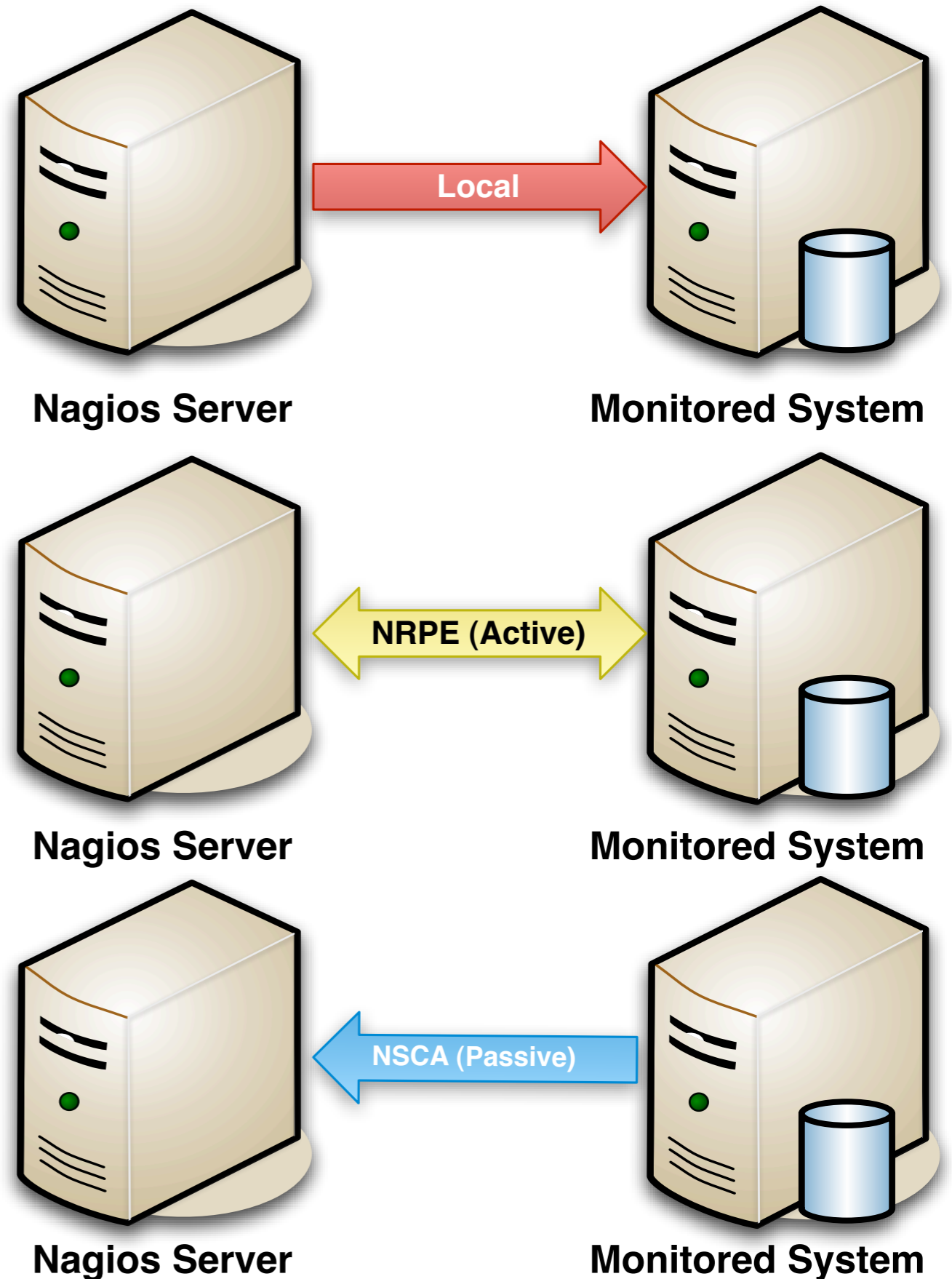
Host	Service	Status	Last Check	Duration	Attempt	Status Information
[Host Name]	Check Disk	OK	09-26-2008 10:09:40	15d 10h 41m 35s	1/10	All drive usage is healthy. Drive(s) checked: E: (Used 65 MB of 30710 MB), C: (Used 7156 MB of 12284 MB)
	Windows Update	OK	09-26-2008 10:14:40	15d 10h 53m 56s	1/10	No Windows Updates found.
[Host Name]	CertSvc Mem Size	OK	09-26-2008 10:04:40	183d 22h 27m 39s	1/10	WorkingSetSize: 24.4 MB
	Check Disk	OK	09-26-2008 10:09:40	70d 4h 37m 14s	1/10	All drive usage is healthy. Drive(s) checked: C: (Used 6839 MB of 17359 MB)
	Service: CRL	OK	09-26-2008 10:14:40	70d 4h 25m 15s	1/10	CertUtil: -CRL command completed successfully.
	Service: CertSvc	OK	09-26-2008 10:04:40	70d 4h 37m 14s	1/10	No output available from command...
	Service: JMSPKIListener	OK	09-26-2008 10:09:41	70d 4h 37m 14s	1/10	No output available from command...
[Host Name]	Windows Update	OK	09-26-2008 10:14:41	25d 15h 24m 50s	1/10	No Windows Updates found.
	CertSvc Mem Size	OK	09-26-2008 10:04:41	25d 15h 52m 50s	1/10	WorkingSetSize: 13.48 MB
	Check Disk	OK	09-26-2008 10:09:41	122d 23h 13m 59s	1/10	All drive usage is healthy. Drive(s) checked: C: (Used 7721 MB of 34719 MB)
	Service: CRL	OK	09-26-2008 10:14:41	103d 6h 10m 49s	1/10	CertUtil: -CRL command completed successfully.
	Service: CertSvc	OK	09-26-2008 10:04:41	25d 15h 52m 49s	1/10	No output available from command...
[Host Name]	Service: JMSPKIListener	OK	09-26-2008 10:09:43	122d 23h 13m 56s	1/10	No output available from command...
	Windows Update	OK	09-26-2008 10:14:43	25d 15h 51m 48s	1/10	No Windows Updates found.



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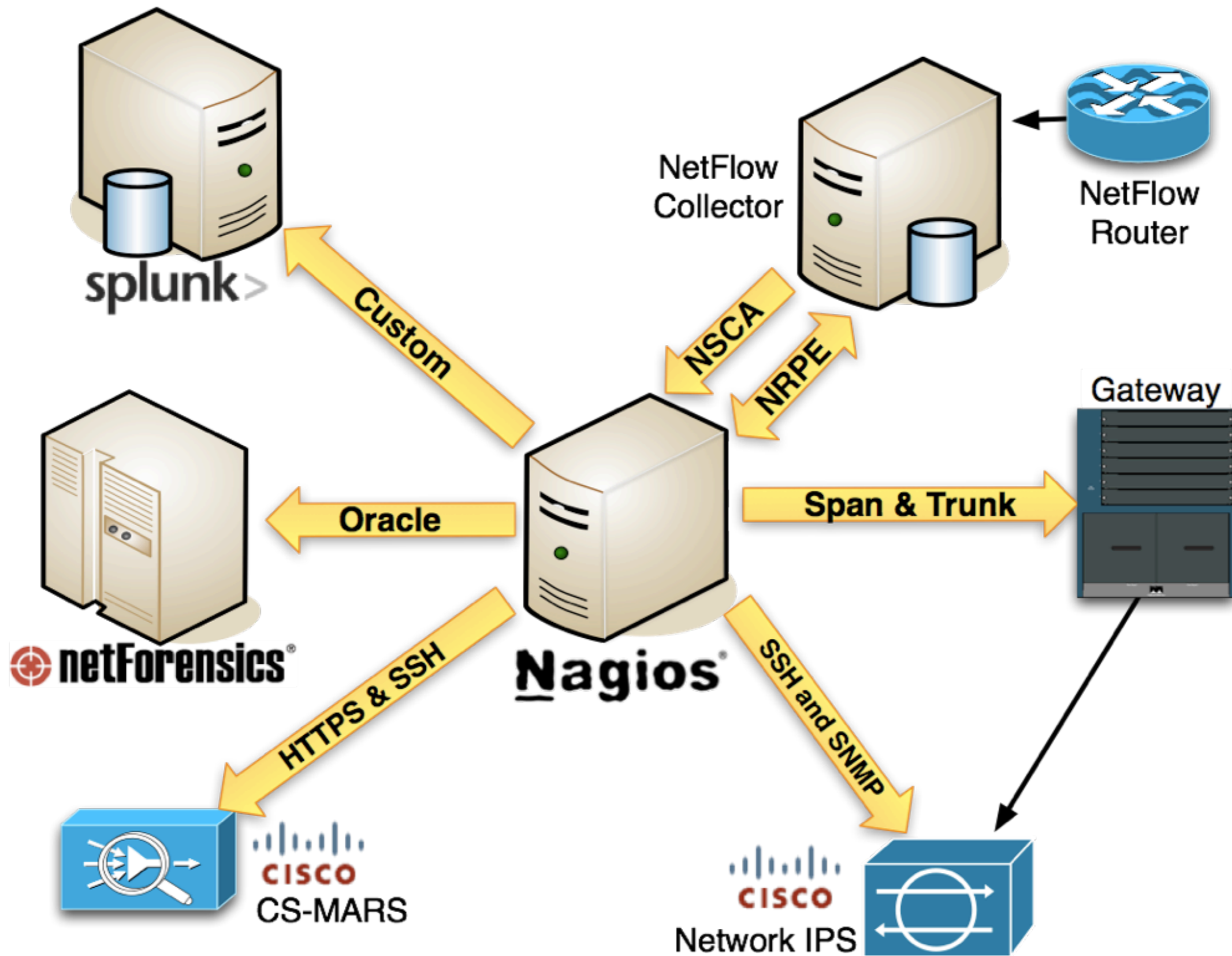
## How Nagios Works

- Server local checks
  - HTTP(S)
  - Ping
  - SNMP
  - Telnet/SSH
  - And more...
- Remote checks
  - NRPE (active)
    - Server triggers check
  - NSCA (passive)
    - Client reports results to server



# System Monitoring Solutions

## *How Cisco CSIRT Uses Nagios*



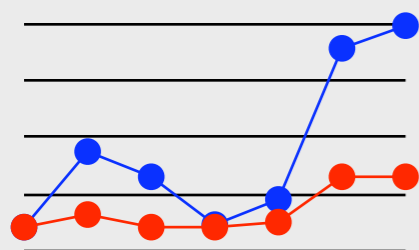
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## Health Monitoring

### Connectivity to Host



### System Load



- Load
- CPU

### Memory

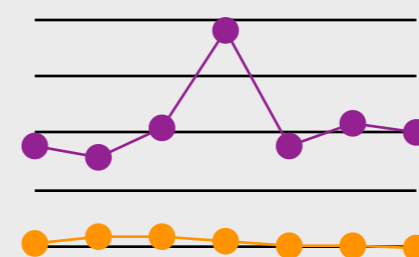


- Monitor both:
- Physical memory
  - Swap

### Disk Space



### Processes



- Total
- Zombie

# System Monitoring Solutions

## *System Health: Nagios Monitoring*

Service	Status	Last Check	Duration	Attempt	Status Information
<a href="#">CPU Load</a>	OK	09-22-2008 13:18:43	43d 8h 28m 37s	1/3	OK - load average: 0.21, 0.24, 0.19
<a href="#">Current Users</a>	OK	09-22-2008 13:17:51	42d 3h 42m 0s	1/3	USERS OK - 2 users currently logged in
<a href="#">Memory</a>	OK	09-22-2008 13:17:56	82d 5h 11m 3s	1/3	OK - 3796 MB (95%) Free Memory
<a href="#">Swap</a>	OK	09-22-2008 13:17:44	310d 22h 7m 42s	1/3	SWAP OK - 100% free (4094 MB out of 4094 MB)
<a href="#">Total Processes</a>	OK	09-22-2008 13:22:30	0d 0h 28m 42s	1/3	PROCS OK: 136 processes
<a href="#">Zombie Processes</a>	OK	09-22-2008 13:18:44	343d 15h 51m 48s	1/3	PROCS OK: 2 processes with STATE = Z
<a href="#">Zombie Processes</a>	OK	09-22-2008 13:18:44	343d 15h 51m 48s	1/3	PROCS OK: 2 processes with STATE = Z
<a href="#">Total Processes</a>	OK	09-22-2008 13:22:30	0d 0h 28m 42s	1/3	PROCS OK: 136 processes

- CPU Load
- Number of users
- Memory and swap
- Processes and zombies
- Disk health



# System Monitoring Solutions

## System Health

```
check_ping -H $HOSTADDRESS$ -w 3000.0,80% -c 5000.0,100% -p 1
```

### Connectivity

Warn > 3000 ms  
Critical > 5000 ms

```
check_load -w 15,10,5 -c 30,25,20
```

### System load

Warn > 5,10,15  
Critical > 20,25,30

### Free memory

Warn < 5%  
Critical < 1%

### Free swap

Warn < 90%  
Critical < 80%

```
check_mem -w 5 -c 1
```

```
check_swap -w 90%% -c 80%%
```

### Disk space

Warn < 10%  
Critical < 5%

```
check_disk -w 10 -c 5 -p /apps/data
```

# System Monitoring Solutions

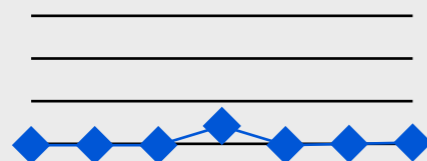
## NIDS Monitoring

### Alerts Logged

Monitor for recent alerts logged to SIM

NIDS	Last Alert
NIDS-1	10 minutes ago
NIDS-2	43 minutes ago

### Missed Packets



### Span and Trunk Health

Routers configured to mirror traffic to NIDS?

dc-gw-1   
dc-gw-3 

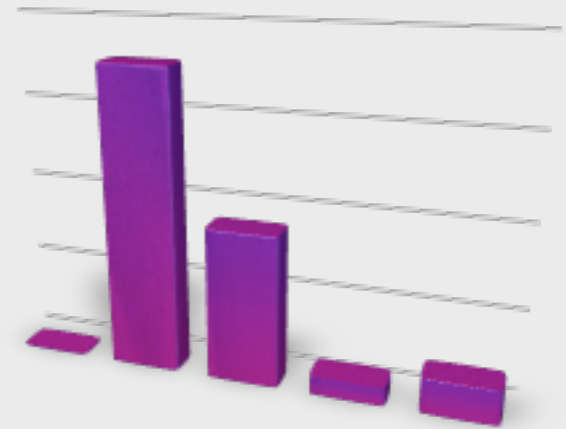
### Critical Processes

Monitor running processes

Analysis Engine   
HTTPS 

### Top Signatures

Monitor hits to each signature



# System Monitoring Solutions

## Network IDS: Nagios Monitoring

<a href="#">CPU Utilization - Past 5 Mins</a>	OK	09-24-2008 12:48:46	0d 2h 42m 38s	1/2	SNMP OK - 71
<a href="#">EMAN</a>	OK	09-24-2008 09:23:46	37d 14h 1m 19s	1/3	Host found in EMAN
<a href="#">HTTPS</a>	OK	09-24-2008 12:28:46	2d 13h 21m 47s	1/3	HTTP OK HTTP/1.0 200 OK - 490 bytes in 0.618 seconds
<a href="#">Health</a>	OK	09-24-2008 12:33:46	3d 11h 43m 37s	1/2	Ver: 6.1(1)E2 Sigs: S357.0 Platform: IPS-4260-K9 SN: License: 01-Jan-2009 (99) Uptime: 1 day MPP: 0 MainApp: M-2008_APR_24_19_16, AnalysisEngine: ME-2008_JUN_05_18_26 status(both): Running
<a href="#">Sig Hits</a>	OK	09-23-2008 19:04:37	4d 17h 49m 44s	1/2	2158 (60) 3171 (3) 3234 (1) 3551 (112) 3600 (1) 4004 (1) 4613 (1) 4619 (4) 5237 (1) 5245 (1264) 5536 (6) 5637 (6) 5683 (1) 5733 (1) 5740 (3) 5772 (1) 5812 (1) 5816 (9) 5847 (3) 5930 (3) 6005 (777) 6055 (1) 6061 (1) 6250 (176) 6253 (72) 6521 (11) 6540 (3) 6979 (49) 7201 (36) 7203 (59) 11001 (91) 11002 (85) 11007 (142) 11017 (623) 11020 (122870) 11023 (4) 11026 (9) 11030 (2485) 11031 (98) 11203 (73) 11245 (3) 13000 (1180) 13003 (596) 13004 (3419) 60006 (1) 60007 (30) 64000 (7617) 64001 (29988)
<a href="#">Span</a>	OK	09-24-2008 09:38:46	146d 10h 19m 35s	1/3	Span sessions on -gw1 are ok
<a href="#">Span</a>	OK	09-24-2008 09:13:47	146d 10h 13m 34s	1/3	Span sessions on -gw2 are ok
<a href="#">Trunk</a>	OK	09-24-2008 09:18:47	53d 7h 2m 10s	1/3	Interface trunk on -gw1 is ok
<a href="#">Trunk</a>	OK	09-24-2008 09:18:47	53d 7h 2m 10s	1/3	Interface trunk on -gw1 is ok
<a href="#">Span</a>	OK	09-24-2008 09:13:47	146d 10h 13m 34s	1/3	Span sessions on -gw2 are ok
<a href="#">Span</a>	OK	09-24-2008 09:38:46	146d 10h 19m 35s	1/3	Span sessions on -gw1 are ok

# System Monitoring Solutions

## Network IDS: Critical Processes

Service ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Attempt ↑↓	Status Information
<a href="#">HTTPS</a>	OK	09-25-2008 21:29:38	2d 11h 11m 26s	1/3	HTTP OK HTTP/1.0 200 OK - 490 bytes in 0.021 seconds
<a href="#">Health</a>	OK	09-25-2008 21:34:38	10d 3h 54m 45s	1/2	Ver: 6.0(4a)E1 Sigs: S338.0 Platform: IPS-4255-K9 SN: MainApp/AnalysisEngine: N-2008_FEB_15_16_16, status: Running
<a href="#">Health</a>	OK	09-25-2008 21:34:38	10d 3h 54m 45s	1/2	Ver: 6.0(4a)E1 Sigs: S338.0 Platform: IPS-4255-K9 SN: MainApp/AnalysisEngine: N-2008_FEB_15_16_16, status: Running

```
check_http --ssl -H $HOSTADDRESS$
```

### HTTPS

Ensure web interface is accessible

```
nids-1# show version
Application Partition:
```

```
Cisco Intrusion Prevention System, Version
6.1(1)E2
```

```
...
MainApp           M-2008_APR_24_19_16
(Release)         2008-04-24T19:49:05-0500   Running
AnalysisEngine    ME-2008_JUN_05_18_26
(Release)         2008-06-05T18:55:02-0500   Running
```

Expect script via SSH  
Critical alert if "Running"  
not found after  
AnalysisEngine



# System Monitoring Solutions

## Network IDS: Missed Packets

Service ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Attempt ↑↓	Status Information
<a href="#">Health</a>	OK	09-25-2008 21:44:15	14d 6h 13m 17s	1/2	Ver: 6.0(4a)E1 Sigs: S338.0 Platform: IDS-4250-XL SN: License: 02-Dec-2008 (68) Uptime: 2 days MPP: 5 MainApp/AnalysisEngine: N-2008_FEB_15_16_16, status: Running

**MPP: 5**

```
# show interface GigabitEthernet2/1
MAC statistics from interface
GigabitEthernet2/1
  Interface function = Sensing interface
  Description =
-- output clipped for brevity
  Link Speed = Auto_1000
  Link Duplex = Auto_Full
Missed Packet Percentage = 5
  Total Packets Received = 7073135664
  Total Bytes Received = 4128666779156
  Total Multicast Packets Received = 7008095
```

**Expect script via SSH**  
Report % missed packets for  
monitoring context

# System Monitoring Solutions

## Network IDS: Span Health on Routers

Service ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Attempt ↑↓	Status Information
Span <del>blanco-gw1</del> -sw2	OK	09-25-2008 17:39:38	71d 21h 16m 15s	1/3	Span sessions on <del>blanco-gw1</del> -sw2 are ok

```
blanco-gw1>show monitor session all
```

```
Session 1
```

```
-----
```

```
Type : Local Session
```

```
Source Ports :
```

```
Both : Gi1/1
```

```
Destination Ports : Gi3/11
```

```
Session 2
```

```
-----
```

```
Type : Local Session
```

```
Source Ports :
```

```
Both : Gi1/2
```

```
Destination Ports : Gi3/12
```

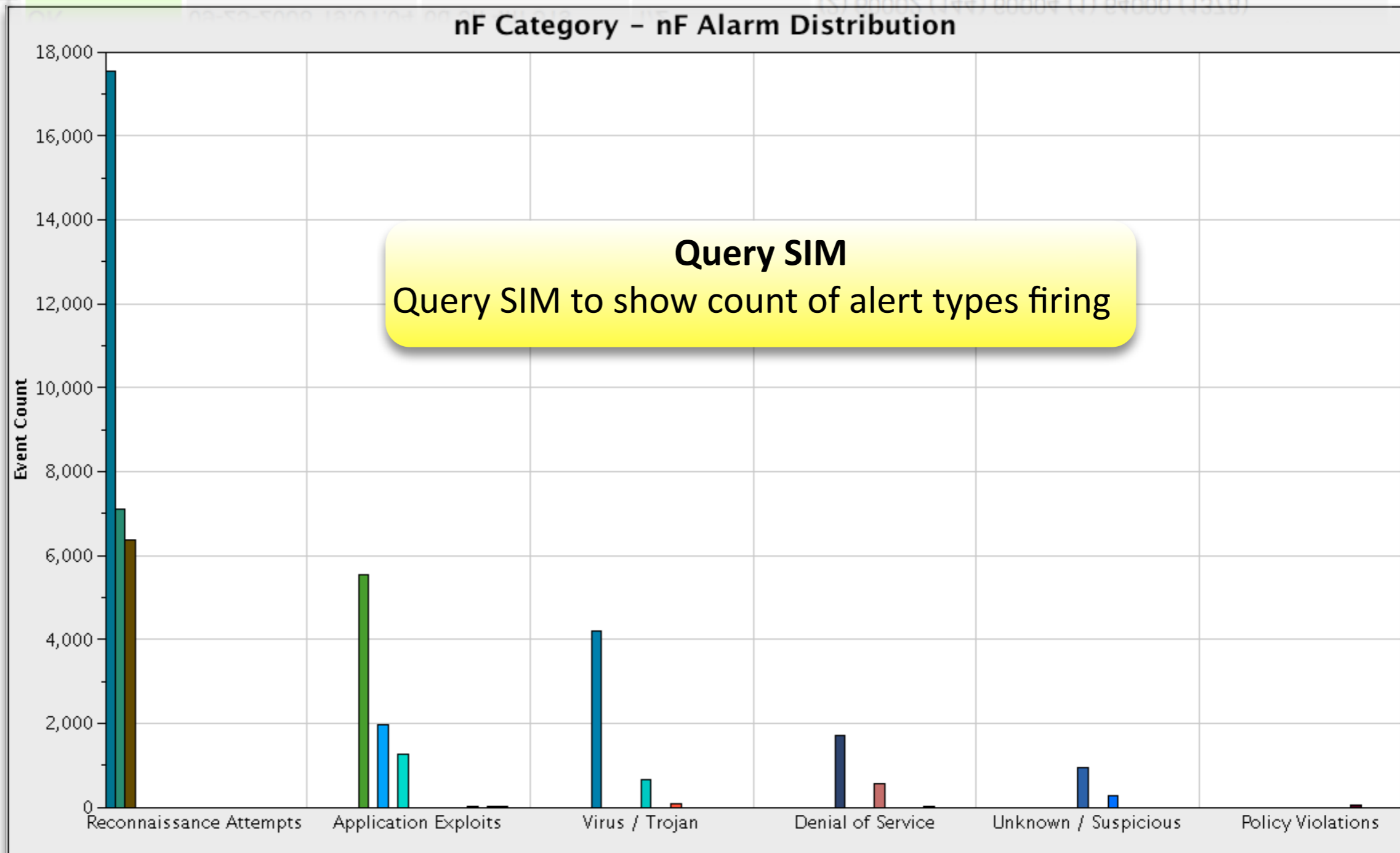
**Perl script via SSH**

*Critical* alert if output differs from expected output (diff comparison of previously saved output)

# System Monitoring Solutions

## Network IDS: Signatures Firing

Service	Status	Last Check	Duration	Attempt	Status Information
<a href="#">Sig Hits</a>	<span style="color: red;">PASY</span> <b>OK</b>	09-25-2008 19:01:04	6d 3h 4m 31s	1/2	2158 (23) 3327 (3) 5576 (2) 5585 (2) 6202 (75) 6211 (2) 60002 (144) 60004 (1) 64000 (1378)



# System Monitoring Solutions

## NetFlow Monitoring

### Processes

Monitor  
capture/relay  
processes  
running

flow-capture



flow-fanout



### File System

Readable



Writable



Maintain  
permissions  
for collection

### Data Files

Monitor data files written for  
each source

Log Dir

Last Write

/logs/server1

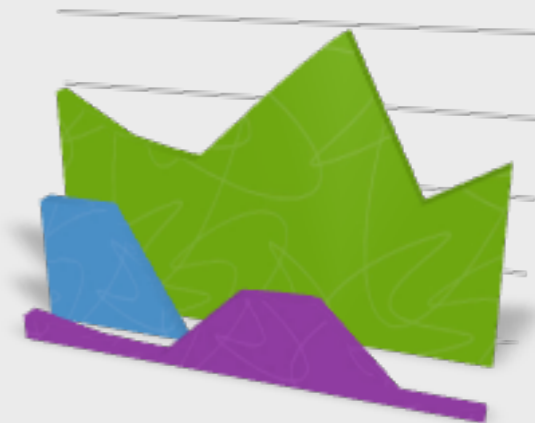
10 minutes ago

/logs/server2

43 minutes ago

### Traffic Volume








Monitor  
packets and  
bytes received  
from each  
source





# System Monitoring Solutions

## NetFlow Collection: Nagios Monitoring

CPU Load	OK	09-24-2008 12:41:53	340d 15h 8m 58s	1/3	OK - load average: 0.07, 0.11, 0.17
Current Users	OK	09-24-2008 12:36:55	340d 15h 8m 58s	1/3	USERS OK - 0 users currently logged in
EMAN	OK	09-24-2008 12:41:55	15d 11h 8m 36s	1/3	Host found in EMAN
Flow Statistics 	OK	09-23-2008 17:06:04	11d 15h 27m 18s	1/3	2008-09-22 Flows: 184,922,773 Oldest flows stored: data: 2008-09-03
Memory	OK	09-24-2008 12:46:55	88d 8h 36m 46s	1/3	OK - 3805 MB (95%) Free Memory
NFC /apps Free Disk Space	OK	09-24-2008 12:51:55	340d 15h 8m 58s	1/3	DISK OK - free space: /apps 472547 MB (89% inode=99%):
NFC Data RW	OK	09-24-2008 12:36:55	340d 15h 8m 58s	1/3	Successful read/write to /apps/netflow/data
NFC Latest Data Files	OK	09-24-2008 12:41:55	182d 8h 48m 53s	1/3	data: ft-v05.2008-09-24.123224-0700
NFC Processes	OK	09-24-2008 12:36:57	182d 8h 48m 53s	1/3	PIDs: flow-capture: 27081 flow-fanout: 27098
NFC  -gw1 	OK	09-24-2008 12:50:02	11d 6h 53m 44s	1/3	Packets: 47994, Bytes: 69306504
NFC  -gw2 	OK	09-24-2008 12:50:01	11d 6h 53m 44s	1/3	Packets: 12973, Bytes: 18733876
Swap	OK	09-24-2008 12:41:57	312d 21h 30m 47s	1/3	SWAP OK - 100% free (4094 MB out of 4094 MB)
Total Processes	OK	09-24-2008 12:46:57	133d 8h 38m 28s	1/3	PROCS OK: 115 processes
Zombie Processes	OK	09-24-2008 12:51:57	111d 15h 43m 45s	1/3	PROCS OK: 0 processes with STATE = Z
Zombie Processes	OK	09-24-2008 12:51:57	111d 15h 43m 45s	1/3	PROCS OK: 0 processes with STATE = Z
Total Processes	OK	09-24-2008 12:46:57	133d 8h 38m 28s	1/3	PROCS OK: 115 processes
Swap	OK	09-24-2008 12:41:57	312d 21h 30m 47s	1/3	SWAP OK - 100% free (4094 MB out of 4094 MB)
NFC  -gw2 	OK	09-24-2008 12:50:01	11d 6h 53m 44s	1/3	Packets: 12973, Bytes: 18733876

# System Monitoring Solutions

## NetFlow: Check Processes

Service ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Attempt ↑↓	Status Information
<a href="#">NFC Processes</a>	OK	09-25-2008 21:24:47	102d 10h 15m 40s	1/3	PIDs: flow-capture: 8174 8193 flow-fanout: 8212

**flow-capture: 8174 8193**

```
check_procs -c 3 -C flow-capture
```

**Capture process**  
*Critical* alert if not 3  
processes of *flow-capture*

# System Monitoring Solutions

## NetFlow: Data Files

Service ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Attempt ↑↓	Status Information
<a href="#">NFC Latest Data Files</a>	OK	09-25-2008 21:19:47	102d 9h 59m 28s	1/3	data: ft-v05.2008-09-26.061342+0200 data1: ft-v05.2008-09-26.061343+0200

```
check_file_age /apps/netflow/data
```

### Check Latest Files

*Plug-in has poor fidelity due to changing timestamps during cleanup*

```
blanco-nfc#ls -l /apps/netflow/data/*
drwxr-xr-x    2 netflow infosec 12288 Sep 25 00:00 2008-09-24/
-rw-r--r--    1 netflow infosec 82033098 Sep 25 11:22 ft-
v05.2008-09-25.111738-0700
-rw-r--r--    1 netflow infosec 73761724 Sep 25 11:27 ft-
v05.2008-09-25.112238-0700
-rw-r--r--    1 netflow infosec 74138352 Sep 25 11:32 ft-
v05.2008-09-25.112737-0700
```

**Custom Perl script via NRPE**  
Alert if not written within last 30 minutes

# System Monitoring Solutions

## NetFlow: File System

Service ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Attempt ↑↓	Status Information
<a href="#">NFC Data RW</a>	OK	09-25-2008 21:34:47	102d 10h 19m 43s	1/3	Successful read/write to /apps/netflow/data


**Successful read/write**

```
check_diskrw /apps/netflow/data
```

**Check Permissions via NRPE**  
Alert if not *writable*

# System Monitoring Solutions

## NetFlow: Traffic Volume

Service ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Attempt ↑↓	Status Information
NFC 	OK	09-25-2008 21:30:01	199d 22h 27m 8s	1/3	Packets: 2436, Bytes: 3493968

**Packets: 2436**

```
[root@blanco-nfc ~]# iptables -vxL -Z INPUT
```

```
Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT 9875 packets, 14M bytes)
```

```
pkts bytes target      prot opt in      out     source
destination
  0     0    ACCEPT      udp  --  any    any    blanco-dc-gw1
anywhere      udp dpt:2055
2436 3412K ACCEPT      udp  --  any    any    blanco-dc-gw2
anywhere      udp dpt:2056
```

**Check Received Traffic via iptables**

*Execute and send result via NSCA*

Alert if packets not > 0 since last check



# Implementation

## *Watch for New Event Sources*

- Create **policy**

- Require logging to your log collectors

- Require specific events to log

- Watch log collector for new hosts

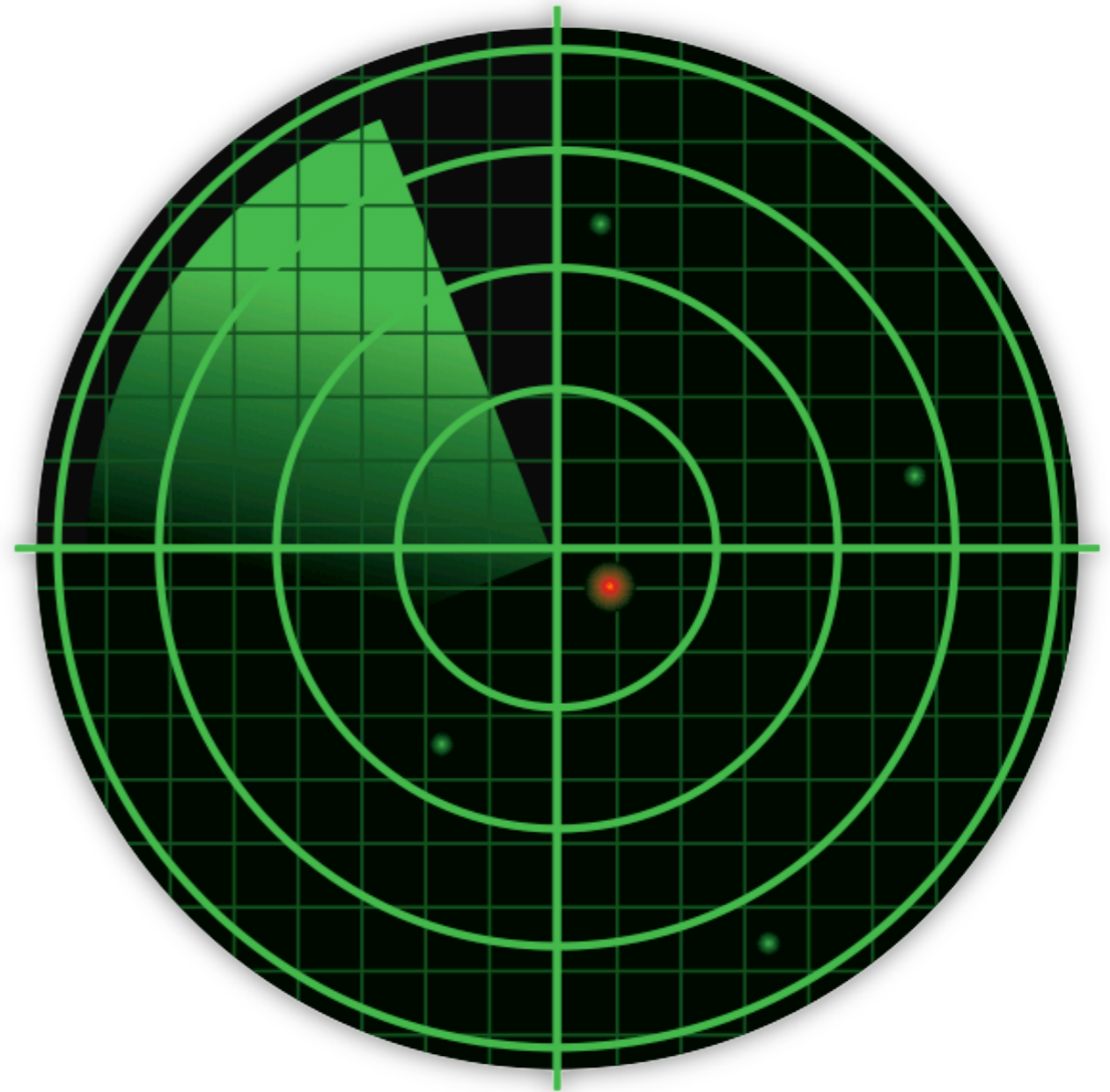
- Audit hosts to ensure compliance

- Watch for **new devices**

- Change requests

- IDS alerts

- Network audits



# Implementation *Checklist*

1. Policy
2. SLAs
3. Templates
4. Config automation
5. Critical event sources
6. Monitoring package
7. Procedures
8. Training



# Results

## *Benefits of Implementation*

Service ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Attempt ↑↓	Status Information
NFC <a href="#">link</a> -gw1	PASV ↓↓ OK	12-07-2007 09:00:06	50d 19h 35m 19s	1/3	Packets: 70, Bytes: 64600
NFC <a href="#">link</a> -gw1	PASV ↓↓ CRITICAL	12-07-2007 09:00:23	0d 0h 3m 14s	1/3	CRITICAL: iptables stats have not been submitted!
NFC <a href="#">link</a> -loop	PASV ↓↓ OK	12-07-2007 09:00:06			
Swap	OK	12-07-2007 09:02:54			CRITICAL: iptables stats have not been submitted!
Swap	OK	12-07-2007 09:02:54			
NFC <a href="#">link</a> -loop	TT OK	12-07-2007 09:00:06			

- Real-time notification
- Programmable automation to resolve problems
- Result: Event metrics show improved up time
- At Cisco...
  - Before: < 90% (not tracked)
  - After: 97% and rising





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