



<http://xkcd.com/325>

# Building Useful Security Infrastructure for Free



Now with more Madness!!

# Who am I?

- Brad Lhotsky, Recovering Perl Programmer
  - “Information Security Manager”
  - System Administrator
  - Database Administrator
  - Keeper of the Codes
  - Raptor Herder



# Who are YOU?



# Where I work ..



**Disclaimer:** *The views presented here are almost certainly do **not** reflect the views of my Employer.*



# S·E·C·U·R·I·T·Y

I've Locked Down My Host to the Point Where It's Unusable

**“I don’t care about security and never will. So do whatever you want, but make sure I know I’m better off with you employed”**

# What is “Useful Security” ?

- Not security for the sake of security
- Solves Operations problems
- Makes business more efficient
- Meets requirements for Compliance to legislation:
  - PCI-DSS, SOX, HIPAA, FISMA





# Why “Build” It?

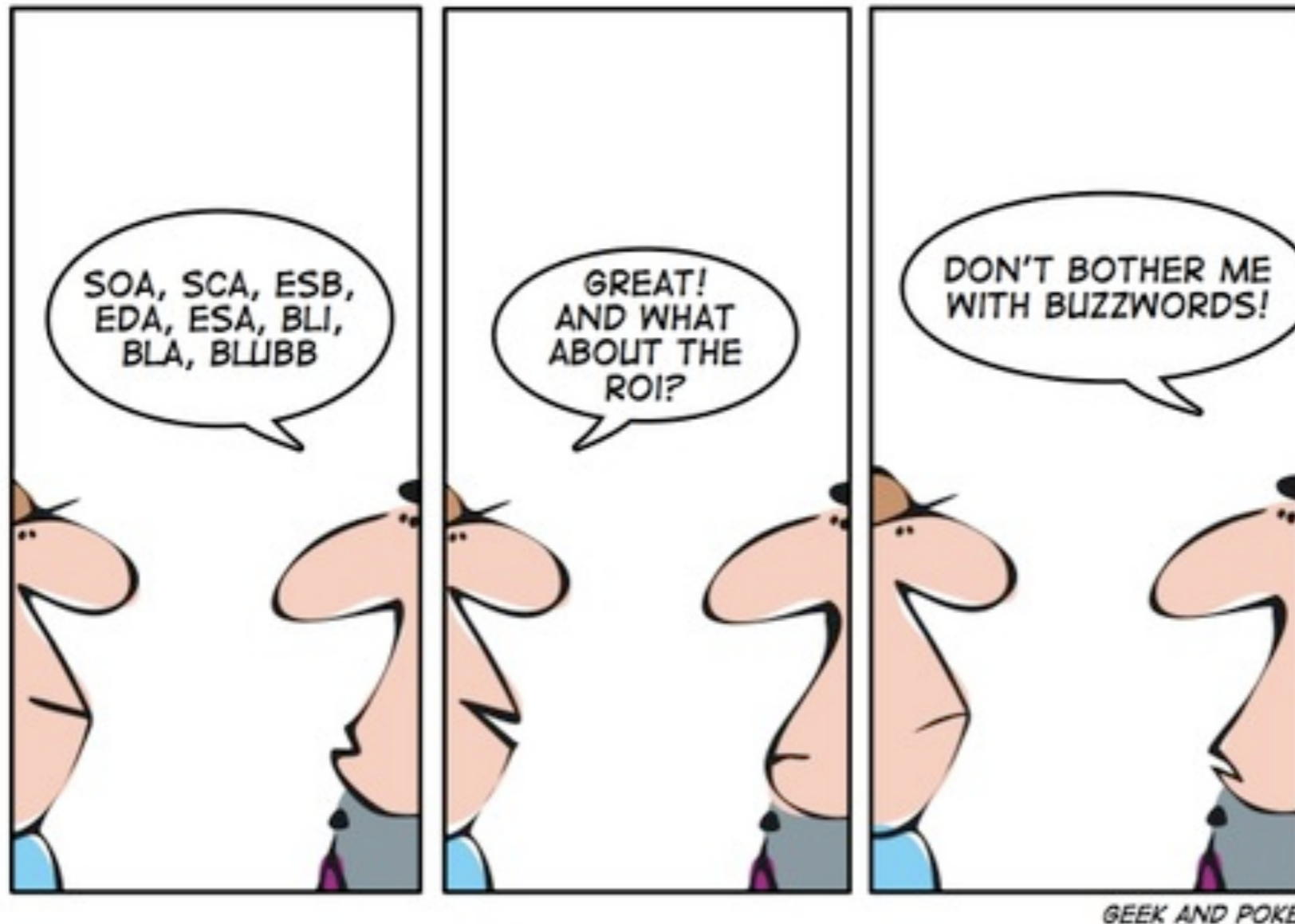


# Invest in Your Team

- Open Source encourages you to get into the nuts and bolts
- You learn more than just the software
  - Networking
  - Protocols
  - Operating Systems
- Promotes Cross Training



# CEO & CFO want ROI



(Comic: Bill Hood)

# Part Duex; Duexing It!

# Complying, like a boss.

- Systems and Network Inventory
- Systems and Network Monitoring
- Accountability
  - Who is where, when, why, and how?



# Paying Attention

- Already have a great deal of information
- Just need to get into one Place
- Central Logging



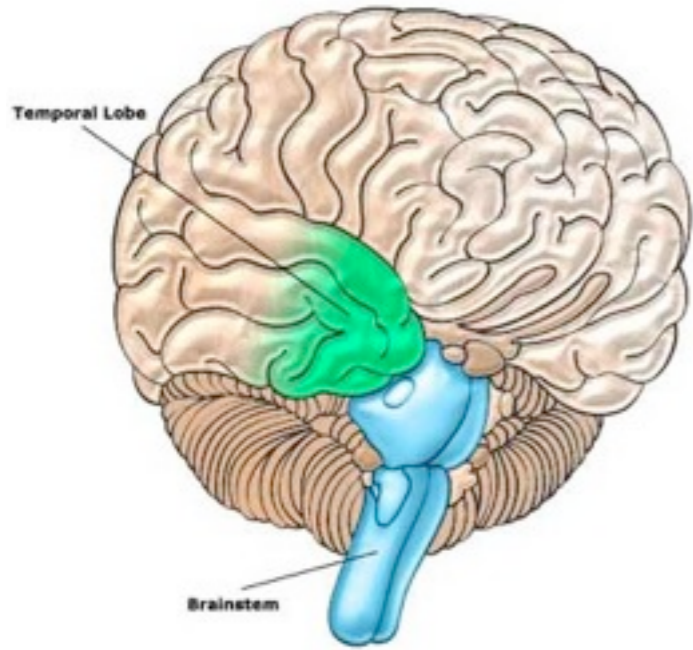
# syslog-ng

- Program destination
  - Started with syslog-ng daemon
  - Messages passed in to that program's STDIN
  - Allows Dynamic Programming Languages with high startup costs to be really quick
- Configuration syntax makes sense
- Caveat: Some features are not free

# rsyslog

- All Open Source
- Supports Native Encryption via TLS
- Supports on-disk queueing for remote destinations
- Caveat: Configuration syntax is ugly





# Long Term Memory

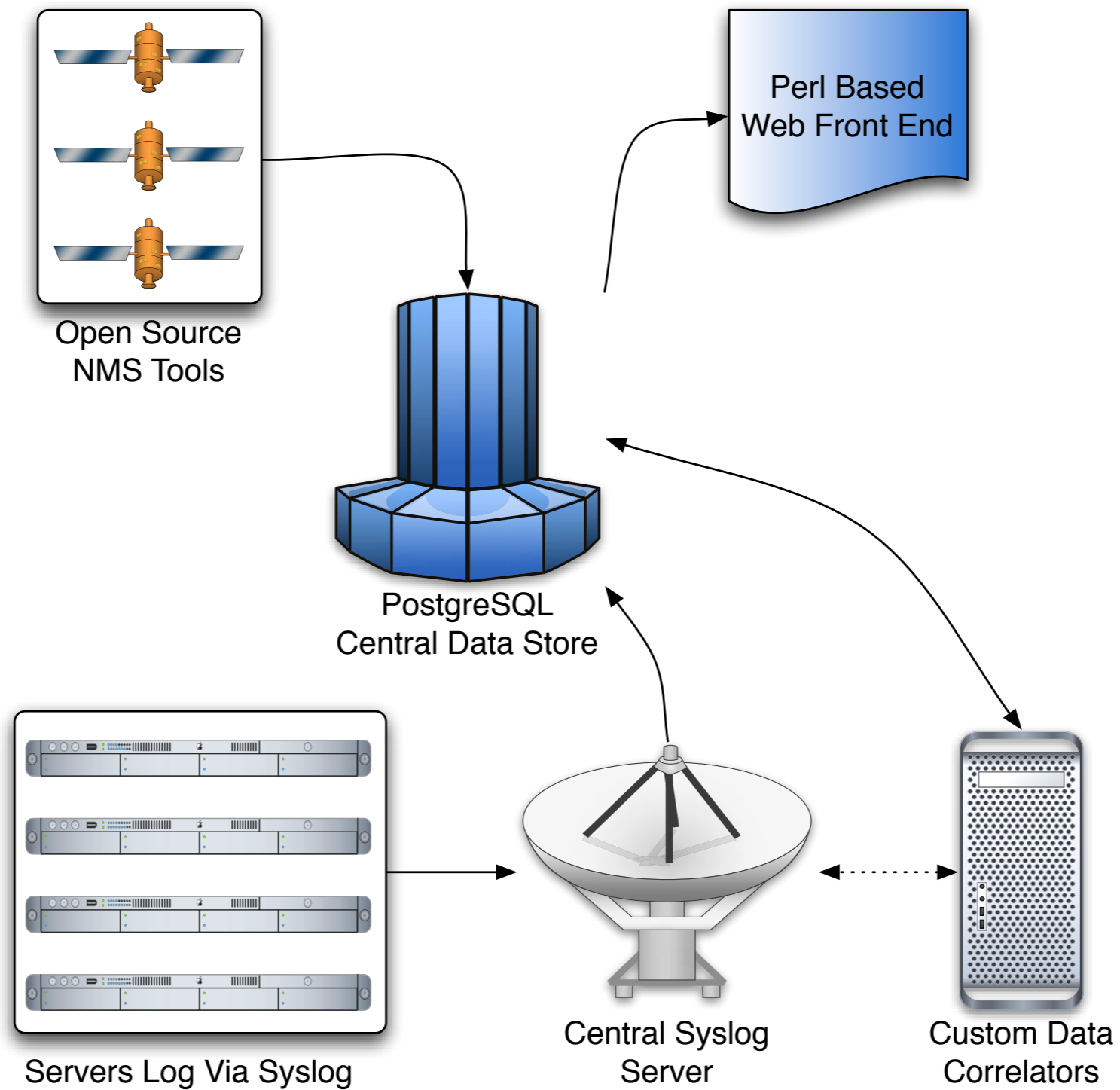
- Store our relational data with PostgreSQL
- ACID Compliant for Standards Compliance
- Support for Stored Procedures, Triggers, and Views
- Extensible via pgFoundry and PGXN
  - PL/R, PostGIS, Itree, etc ..

# PostgreSQL : inet

Allows us to ask if an IP address in a certain range

```
SELECT * FROM node_history
WHERE
    ip_address << inet '192.168.1.0/24'
```

# Information Flow



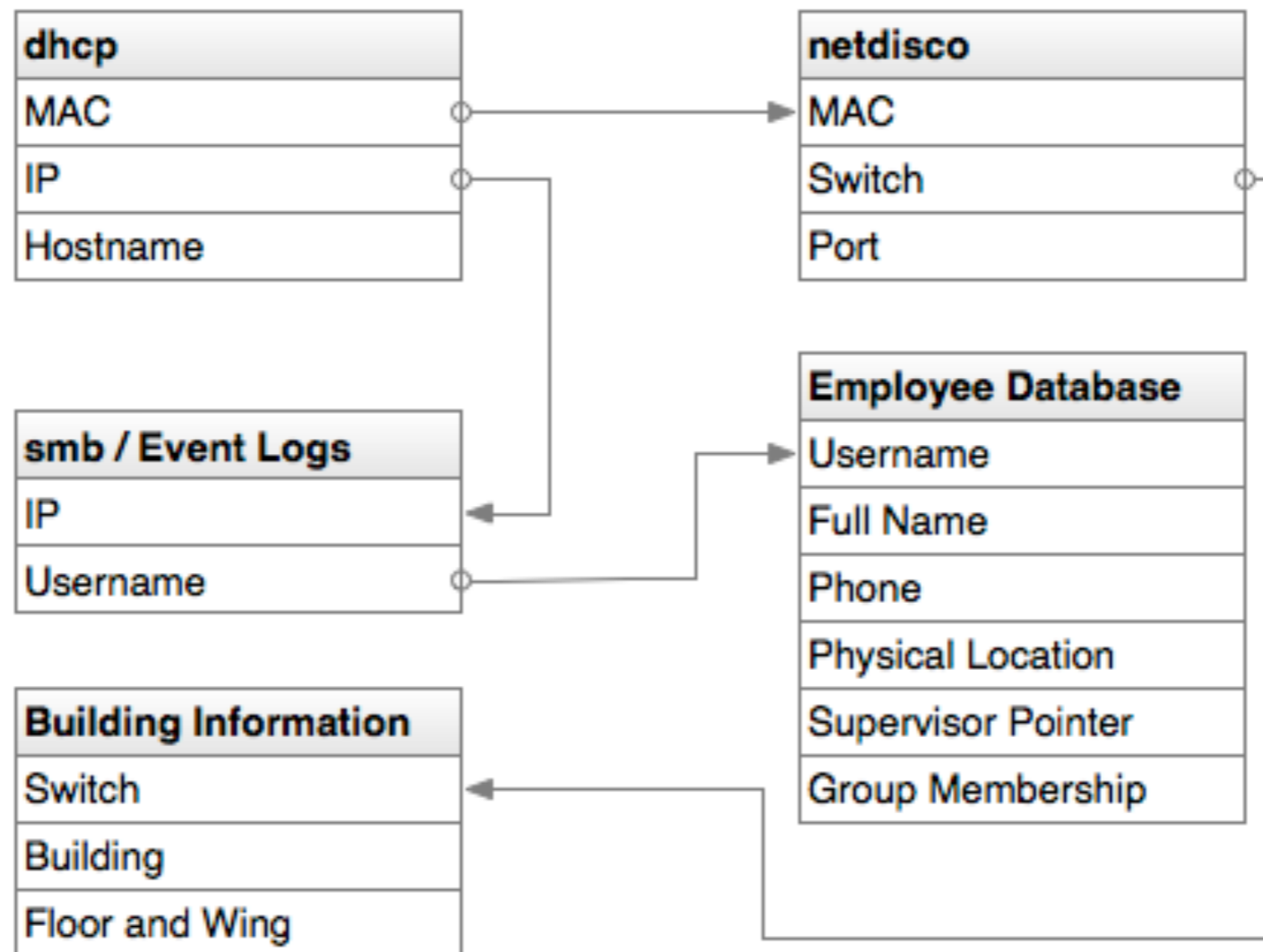
# Getting Useful Data

- DHCP logs to syslog
  - MAC, IP, and Hostname
- Arpwatch logs to syslog
  - MAC, IP, and Hostname
- Netdisco stores data in PostgreSQL
  - MAC, Switch, and Port

# Getting Useful Data

- Samba logs via syslog
  - IP and Username
- ActiveDirectory and LDAP for users
  - Username, Email, Phone #
- Custom Built App track Employee Data
  - Supervisor, Manager, Contractor POC

# Data Relationships



Now it's *easy* to solve  
Operations Problems

# Security Under the Veil of Utility

## eris :: user list

main | dnsmgr ▾ | security ▾ | nodes ▾ | logout

network :  search

filtered on 'lhotsky'

Show 10 ▾ entries Search:

First Name ▲	Last Name ▲	Username ◇	Email ◇	Last Login ◇
April	Lhotsky	<a href="#">lhotskya</a>	lhotskya@mail.nih.gov	2010-10-06
Brad	Lhotsky	<a href="#">lhotskyb</a>	lhotskyb@mail.nih.gov	2010-10-06

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**[nodes] Recently Discovered**

<input type="checkbox"/> puje-pc
<input type="checkbox"/> niaosd-01626204
<input type="checkbox"/> niacrb-01742245
<input type="checkbox"/> nialcs-00000000
<input type="checkbox"/> nia-pc

## Identify and Locate Users



# eris :: network console

main | dnsmgr ▾ | security ▾ | nodes ▾ | logout

network :

## User Details

**Status :** Active

**Full Name :** Brad Lhotsky

**Email :** [lhotskyb@mail.nih.gov](mailto:lhotskyb@mail.nih.gov)

**Lab :** IRP RRB

**AD Last Logon :** 2010-10-06T16:04:31

**eris Roles :** eris::admin, eris::login

Authentication History

User's Devices

Show 10 ▾ entries

Search:

Device	Type	Last Seen	By
<a href="#">nia-syslog</a>	Server	2010-10-07T18:10:04	netdisco
<a href="#">aphrodite</a>	Workstation	2010-10-07T13:14:28	dhcpcap
<a href="#">niancts-01778011</a>	Workstation	2010-10-07T07:45:08	dhcpcap
<a href="#">niancts-1743178</a>	Laptop	2010-09-01T16:53:21	dhcpcap
<a href="#">testing512</a>	iPad	2010-08-20T14:19:37	manual
<a href="#">irpdns</a>	Server	2010-07-30T20:49:26	arpwatch
<a href="#">niaunixcm</a>	Server	2010-07-30T20:49:08	arpwatch
<a href="#">beholder</a>	Server	2010-03-30T12:35:26	netdisco
<a href="#">handlsmrv</a>	Server	2010-03-30T12:35:26	netdisco
<a href="#">oldhandlsdb</a>	Server	2010-03-30T12:35:26	netdisco

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Get useful  
information  
on our users

# eris :: view device overview

main | dnsmgr | security | nodes | logout

network :  search

## Device Details

**Machine Name :** niaunixcm

**MAC :** 00:15:60:0c:30:5c

**Current IP :** [REDACTED]

**Switch Port :** C2 @ BRCSHP541

**Decal # :**

**Primary User :** Brad Lhotsky

**Discovered User :** unknown

**Functions :** [Edit Details](#)

## Services Active Recently

tcp:22 @ external  
tcp:80 @ external  
tcp:443 @ external

## [nodes] Recently Discovered

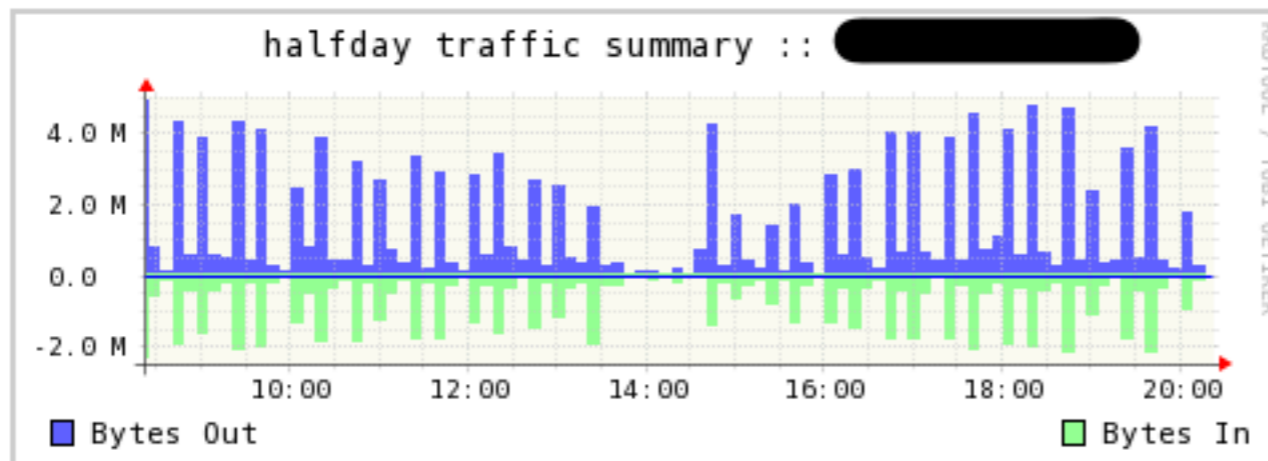
puje-pc  
niaosd-01626204  
niacrb-01742245  
nialcs-00000000  
nia-pc

Network Traffic

Network History

Authentication History

Security Events



# eris :: network console

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network :

Show 25 entries Search:

Host	Start	End	Violations
<a href="#">niairfiler1</a>	2010-09-08 12:01:09	2010-10-08 11:16:00	<a href="#">169087</a>
<a href="#">niaici-01068973</a>	2010-09-09 13:03:42	2010-10-06 11:58:11	<a href="#">99705</a>
<a href="#">securityrecorder</a>	2010-09-10 13:23:49	2010-09-30 10:48:04	<a href="#">98697</a>
<a href="#">niaosd-01577764</a>	2010-09-08 11:50:34	2010-10-08 11:19:58	<a href="#">68875</a>
<a href="#">lci-0028521288</a>	2010-09-09 17:42:30	2010-10-01 18:30:42	<a href="#">66499</a>
<a href="#">mousedbdev</a>	2010-09-08 11:20:07	2010-10-08 11:17:20	<a href="#">62333</a>
<a href="#">niaici-01541080</a>	2010-10-01 21:36:30	2010-10-06 11:33:19	<a href="#">62049</a>

## Past 30 Days Events for niaunixcm

### Signature Description

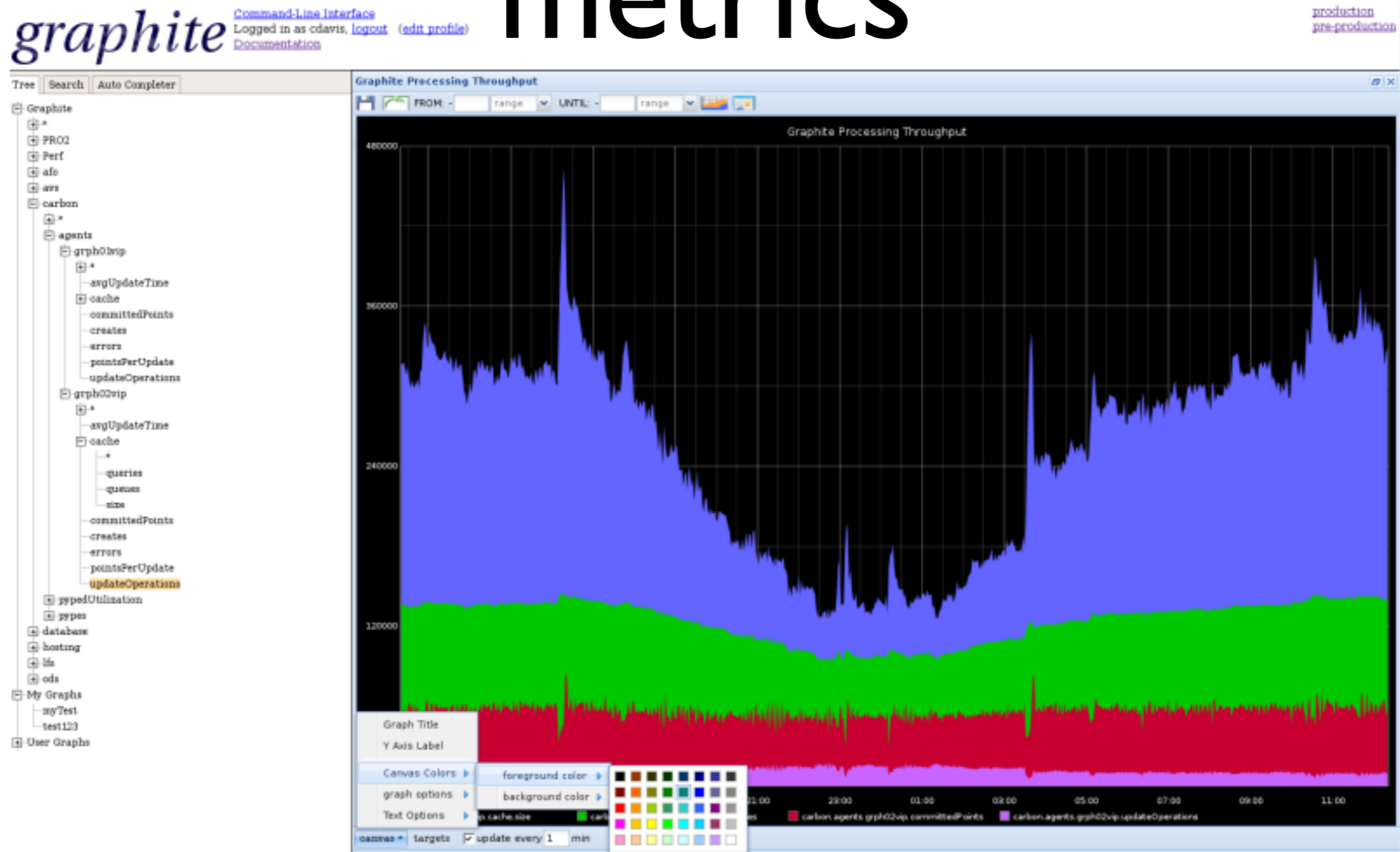
Signature Description	Violations
ET POLICY TLS/SSL Encrypted Application Data on Unusual Port	14700
ET POLICY Unusual number of DNS No Such Name Responses	4216
ET POLICY Outbound TFTP Read Request	190
DNS SPOOF query response with TTL of 1 min. and no authority	22
ET ATTACK_RESPONSE HTTP 401 Unauthorized	1

<a href="#">niaici-2762181</a>	2010-09-20 10:59:24	2010-10-07 15:39:17	<a href="#">30209</a>
<a href="#">niairfiler1</a>	2010-09-28 06:23:07	2010-10-07 05:10:40	<a href="#">26896</a>
<a href="#">niamds-01566197</a>	2010-09-09 15:49:33	2010-10-07 14:37:19	<a href="#">26496</a>
<a href="#">vnetmon</a>	2010-09-08 11:26:28	2010-10-08 11:12:20	<a href="#">22638</a>
<a href="#">niaunixcm</a>	2010-09-08 11:20:07	2010-10-08 11:10:55	<a href="#">19106</a>
<a href="#">niairphome</a>	2010-09-14 16:00:47	2010-10-08 10:59:08	<a href="#">15213</a>
<a href="#">cvpm167</a>	2010-09-08 11:26:19	2010-10-08 10:45:33	<a href="#">12784</a>

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**a few other tricks ..**

# do something cool w/ metrics



# cool deploy macros via Puppet

```
subversion::deploy { 'project':  
  owner => apache, group => apache,  
  svnurl => 'svn+ssh://svn/repo/project',  
  target => '/var/www/project',  
  notify => Service['httpd']  
}
```

This satisfies “Change Management” Requirements

<https://github.com/rejrar/svnutils>



<http://ossec.net>

*“OSSEC is a scalable, multi-platform, open source Host-based Intrusion Detection System (HIDS). It has a powerful correlation and analysis engine, integrating log analysis, file integrity checking, Windows registry monitoring, centralized policy enforcement, rootkit detection, real-time alerting and active response.*

*It runs on most operating systems, including Linux, OpenBSD, FreeBSD, MacOS, Solaris and Windows.”*

- **Policy Compliance**
  - Exceeds current logging recommendations
- **Open Source Software**
  - #ossec on irc.freenode.net
- **Great functionality**
  - Distributed Active Response
  - WebUI

# Thank you!

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