Dropping in 80Gbits (sort of) of Stateful Firewalling with OpenBSD

(PF, OpenOSPF)

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Caveats

I am not pushing 80Gbits yet (sorry if you were expecting Netflix levels of awesome)

See: Sort of

Who am I?

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AS28715 Non-profit for operating Tor Exits / Relays

AS202119 \$DayJob - 1

Stateless



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R1Cisco ASR 1002-xR2Cisco ASR 1002-x

R3 Cisco ASR 1004

R4 Cisco ASR 1004

Core 1Arista 7050S-52(52x 10Gb)Core 2Arista 7050-128x(96x 10Gb8x 40Gb)

Leaf Arista 7048T (48x 1Gb 4x 10Gb)

And then there was SOC II

SOC II

- A stateful inspection firewall shall exist between the Internet and all assets.
- Firewalls shall be configured to allow explicitly approved services and protocols into and out of the environment, with default deny-all.

Requirements

- 1:1 contention within a DC (leaf / spine)
- Didn't want to have 20Gbits+ of routing capacity constrained by firewalls
- Not cost the earth

Gathering Quotes

Cisco ASA Model	ASA 5585-X with SSP10	ASA 5585-X with SSP20	ASA 5585-X with SSP40	ASA 5585-X with SSP60	ASA Services Module
Stateful Inspection throughput (max ¹)	4 Gbps	10 Gbps	20 Gbps	40 Gbps	20 Gbps
Stateful Inspection throughput (multiprotocol ²)	2 Gbps	5 Gbps	10 Gbps	20 Gbps	16 Gbps

Nope nope nope nope nope

Enter Stage Left: Puffy



Platform

- Stock server was a DL360p Gen8
 - 2x PCI-E slots (x16 + x8)
 - Dual Xeon(R) CPU E5-2630 CPUs
 - 32Gb of RAM
 - 4x 1Gb NICs
- Added 2x Intel x520 NICs (2x 10Gb SX)
- Hundreds of servers in the DC (plenty of warm spares if waiting for RMA)

amd64

bge(4)

ix(4)

- HP DL360p "Core" platform
- Dell C8000 SW sled "Core" platform
- \circ Dell C8000 DW sled DB servers
- Dell R720 Hadoop

Platform



Two more quad 10Gbit #OpenBSD firewalls are being deployed as part of the @as202119 #IPv6 migration.



SOAK Testing - Good job we have those spares...





Transition - Starting Point



Transition - Finish Point



Transition - Drop in the BSDs











Arista switches started to arbitrarily null route OSPF learnt networks and/or dumping their routing tables.

Explained as: A difference between the way GateD based routers and other devices behave when they receive LSU with the same SEQ number.

Effectively a difference between Cisco / OpenOSPFd / Arista in regards to checksumming LS updates.

Arista bug 119845 was created







Literal Checklists



Static Routes Removed

Pain Points

PFSYNC

DDOS

Syncing Rules

pfsync(4)

- Asynchronous Routing

 Dropped packets
- 4(8)x 10Gbit interfaces vs 1x 1Gb syncdev
 Can't increase maxupd too much
- Dirty hack
 - OSPF weights
 - Let TCP / applications retry in the event of a failure

Pain Points

PFSYNC

DDOS

Syncing Rules

DDOS

- ~11Gbit/s of additional traffic
 - \circ Weekly
 - 99% DNS Reflection
 - Lasts an hour or two
- PF did not like this
- Had to hand back off to the ASRs

Pain Points

PFSYNC

DDOS

Syncing Rules

Syncing Rules

- We use Chef on all other servers
- Currently
 - Make a change on the 'primary' (remember OSPF hack)
 - Then on the secondary
- Need a better way
 - \circ Chef
 - pf tables + magic

Wahoo



Wahoo - Not So Much



ASR 1002-X



Wahoo - Well, it works



Next Steps



Pictures - Because



Photos



The first time buying an operating system...



Questions?