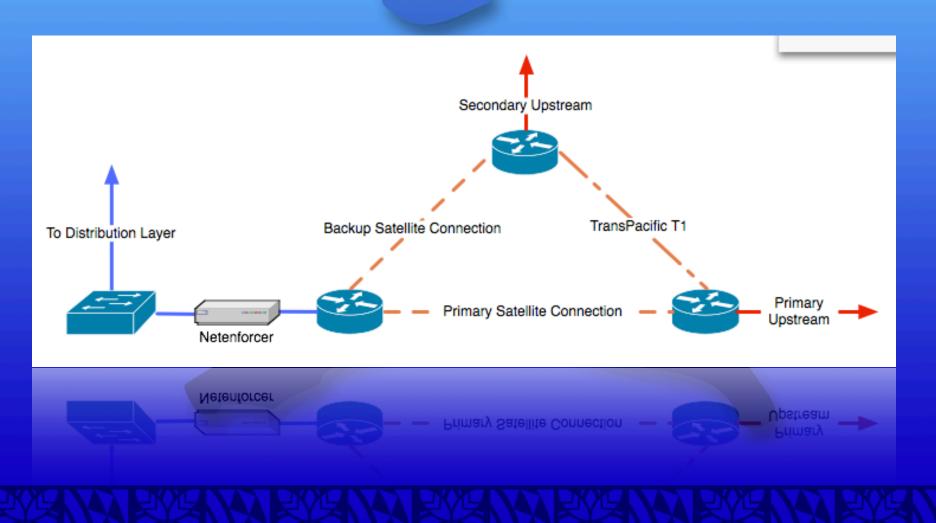


Managing high-latency and limited bandwidth satellite connections

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Physical Layout



Latency

- Average of 600ms+ latency to PoP
- Can be up to 1500ms+ depending on path
- Detrimental to VoIP and other real-time services

Latency Mitigation

- There are very few ways to mitigate latency
- Ensure that real-time streaming applications have the highest priority
- For VoIP, we ensure that our providers are no more than 700ms away
- Get the cleanest satellite signal possible

Limited Bandwidth

- Satellite bandwidth is expensive
- Oversubscription is almost a necessity
- Proper management is required for such a finite resource
- Current bandwidth setup is 7.5Mbps inbound and 2.5Mbps outbound
- 300 residential, 100 business, 30 corporate

Management Equipment

- Allot Netenforcer
- Packeteer Packetshaper
- Cacti

Allot Netenforcer

- Bandwidth is categorized as a series of Pipes
- Each pipe can have a number of Virtual Channels (VCs)
- Pipes and VCs operate top-to-bottom (like an ACL)
- Priorities and bandwidth min/max can be set for Pipes and VCs

Pipe and VC Attributes

- Host List
 - IP address ranges, domain names, etc.
- Type of Service
 - TCP/IP ports, All IP
- Quality of Service
 - Bandwidth allocation and priority

Current Configuration

- Top 4 Pipes: Deactivations, Virus, Network-Essential, ICMP
- Corporate customer pipes follow
- General business customer pipes
- Residential customer pipes

Pipe Layout

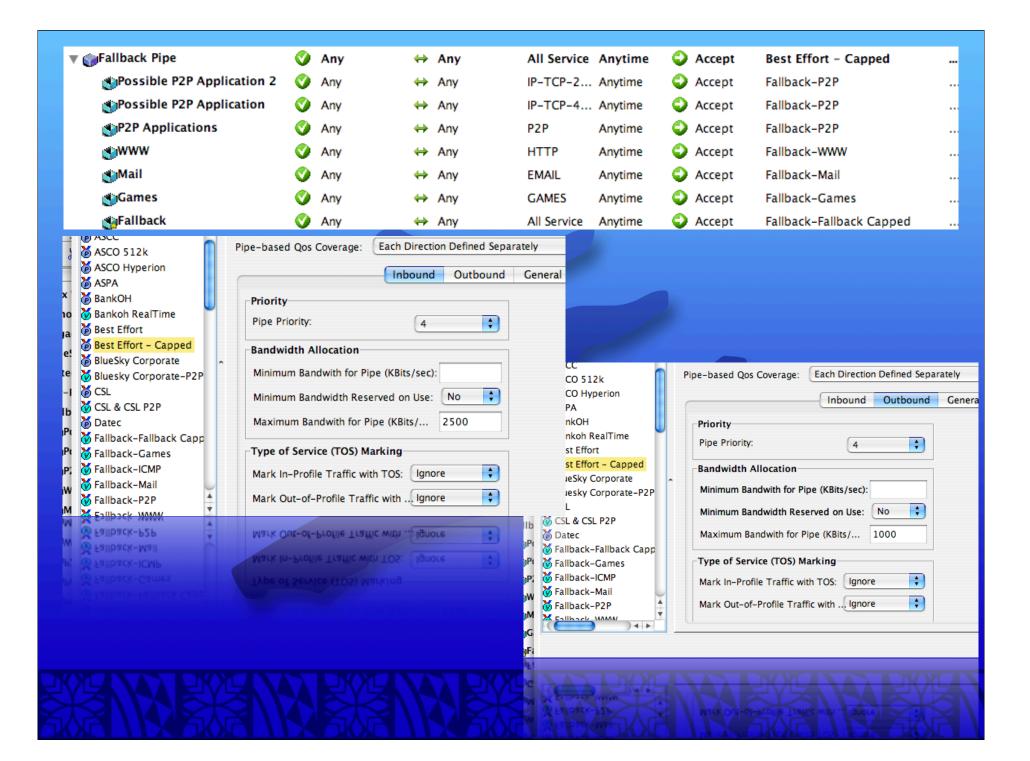
Deactivations, Virus	Match specific TCP Ports and/or IPs	Action: Drop
Network-Essential (BGP, OSPF, ICMP,VoIP)	Match specific packet signatures	Priority: 10 512kbps min and max
Corporate Customers	Match various host lists	Priority: 8 Variable limits
Business Class	Match various host lists	Priority: 7 Plans: 128, 256, 512
Residential	Fallback Pipe Match Any	Priority 5 128 Best Effort

Example Configuration

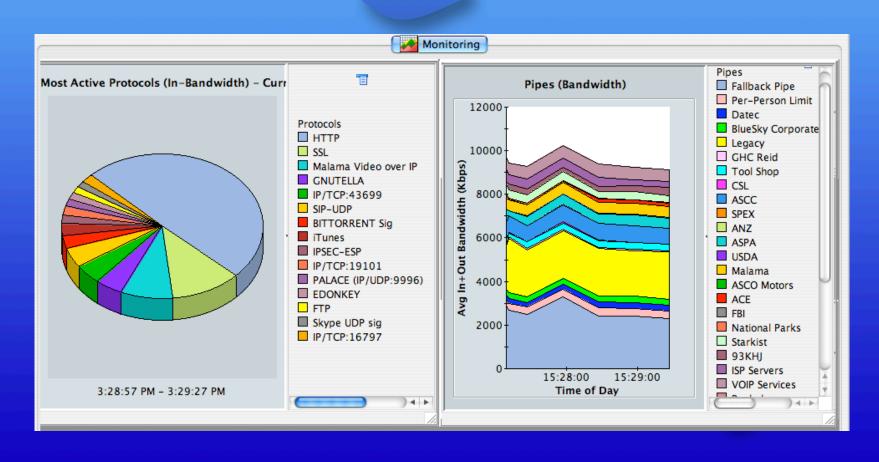
PIPE	Customer A	512k min/max: Prio8	Hostlist A+B
VC	Location I	256k min: Prio9	Hostlist A
VC	Location 2	256k min: Prio9	Hostlist B
VC	Fallback	Normal Priority	Any

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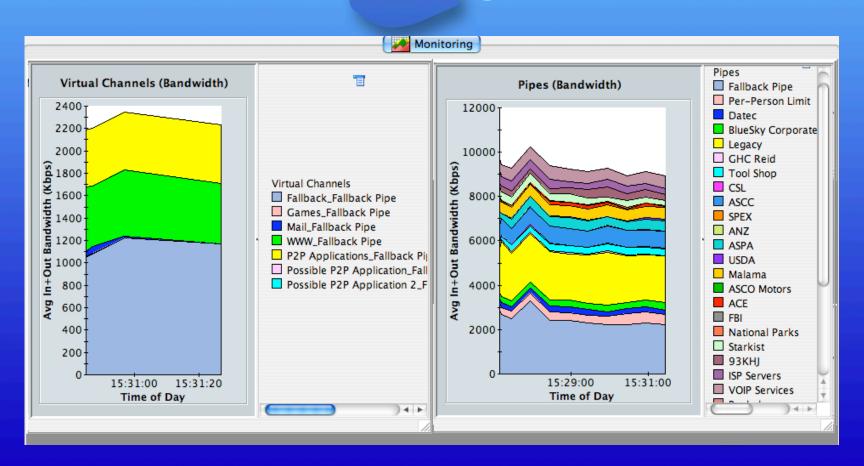
PIPE	Customer C	512k up/dn: Prio8	Hostlist C
VC	P2P	64k max: Prio4	Match P2P Packets
VC	WWW	128k min: Prio 8	Match TCP 80, 443
VC	Mail	128k min: Prio 8	Match SMTP, POP3
VC	Fallback	Priority: 7	Match any



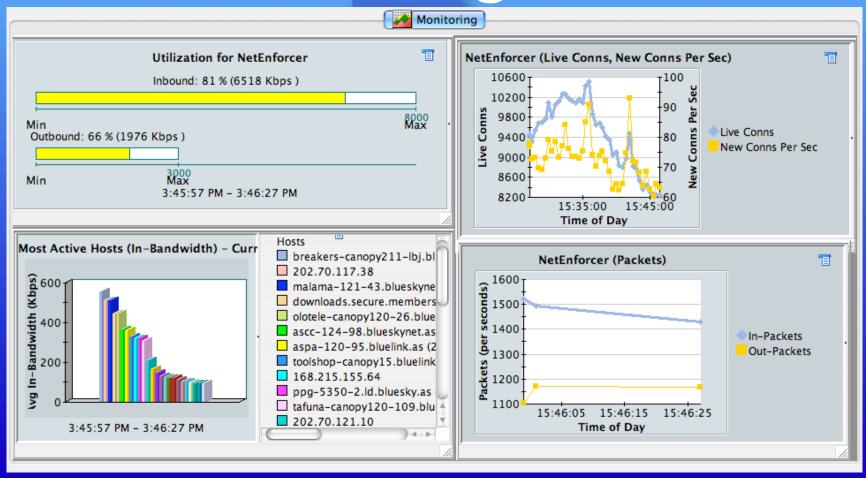
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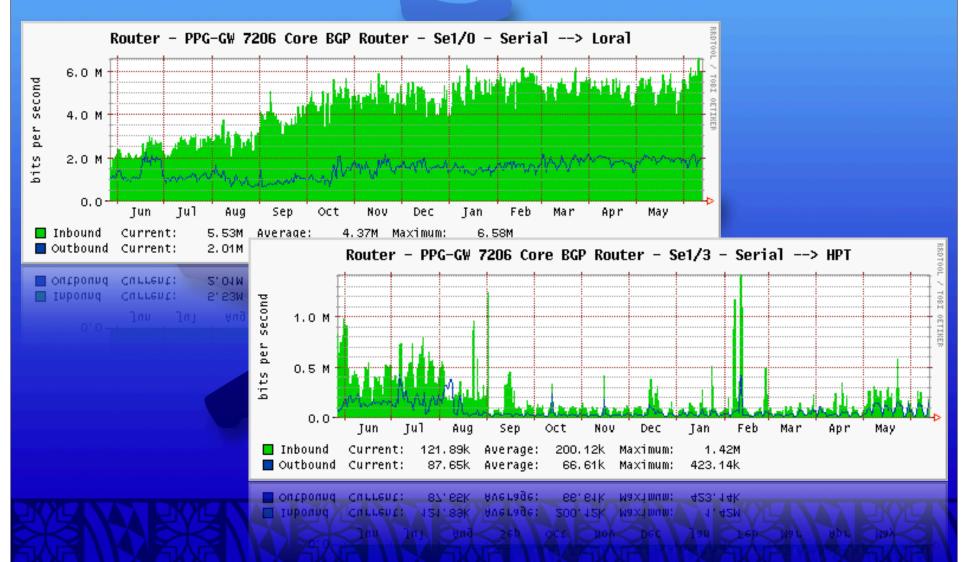
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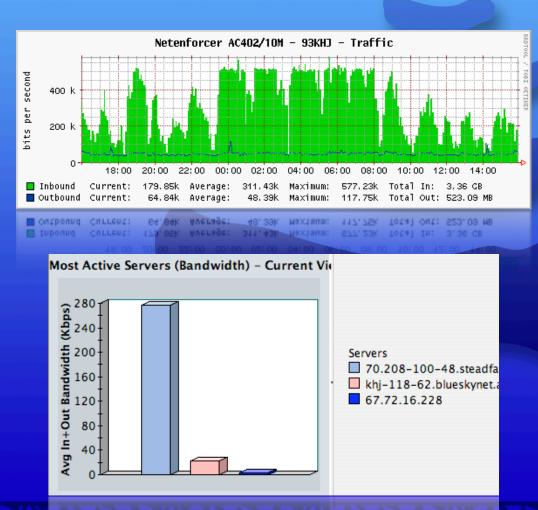
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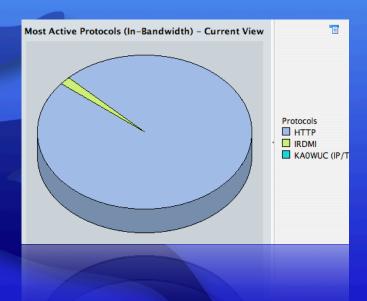


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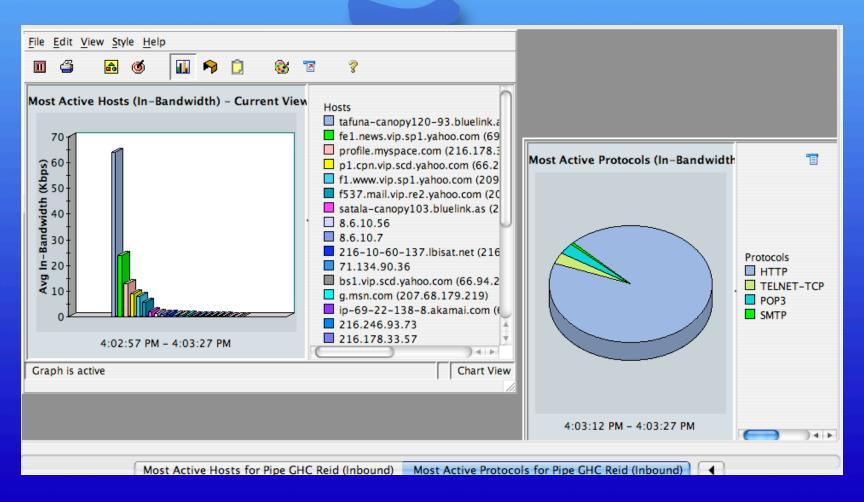
- Testing from customer premises is done with Speakeasy and Internetfrog
 - http://www.speakeasy.net/speedtest/
 - http://www.internetfrog.com/mypc/ speedtest/
- Business and Corporate customers are given a Cacti login

Customer Connections

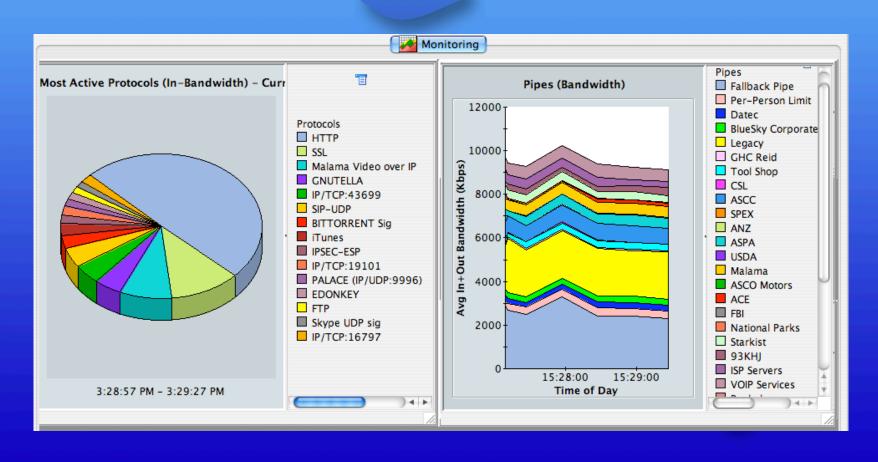




Customer Connections



General Usage



Overall Guidelines

- Always limit Peer-to-peer/filesharing
- Managing traffic is always ongoing
- Adjust to the customer's needs
- For most customers, perception is a key factor