

Scalable and Flexible Traffic Analysis Platform

SF-TAP (すうたっぷ！)

<https://github.com/SF-TAP/documents>

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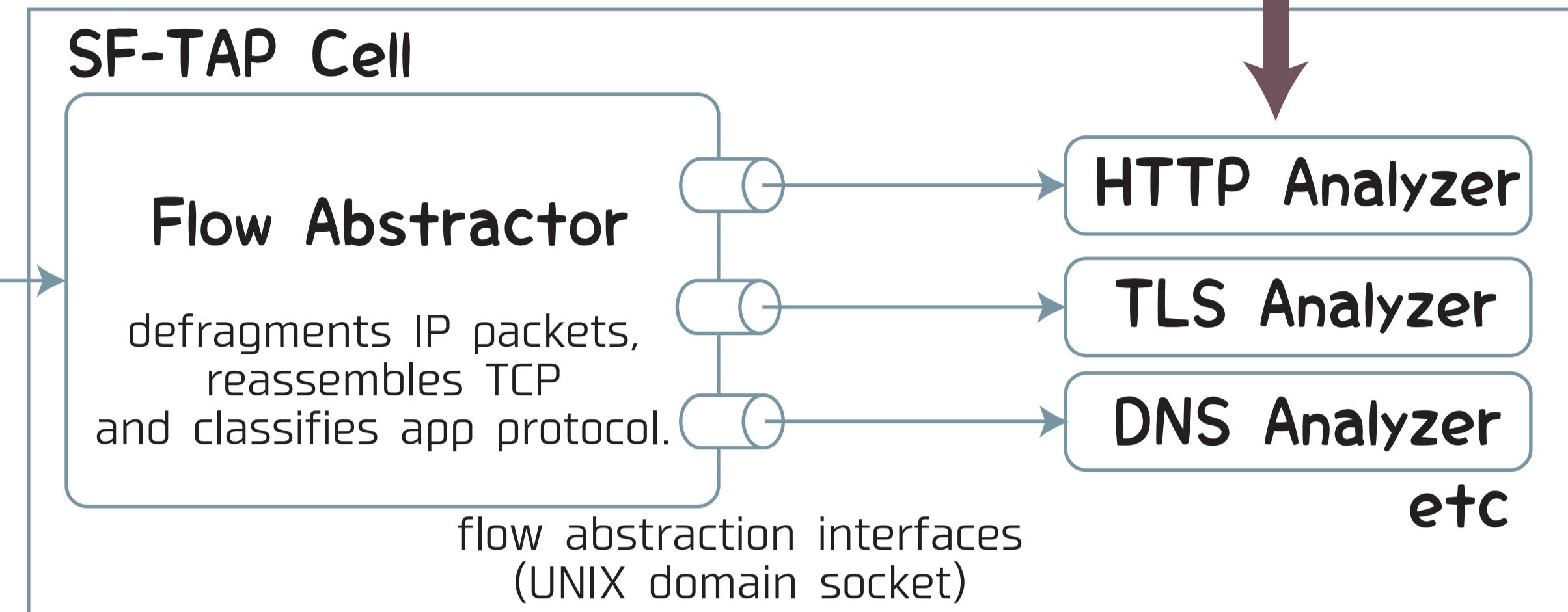
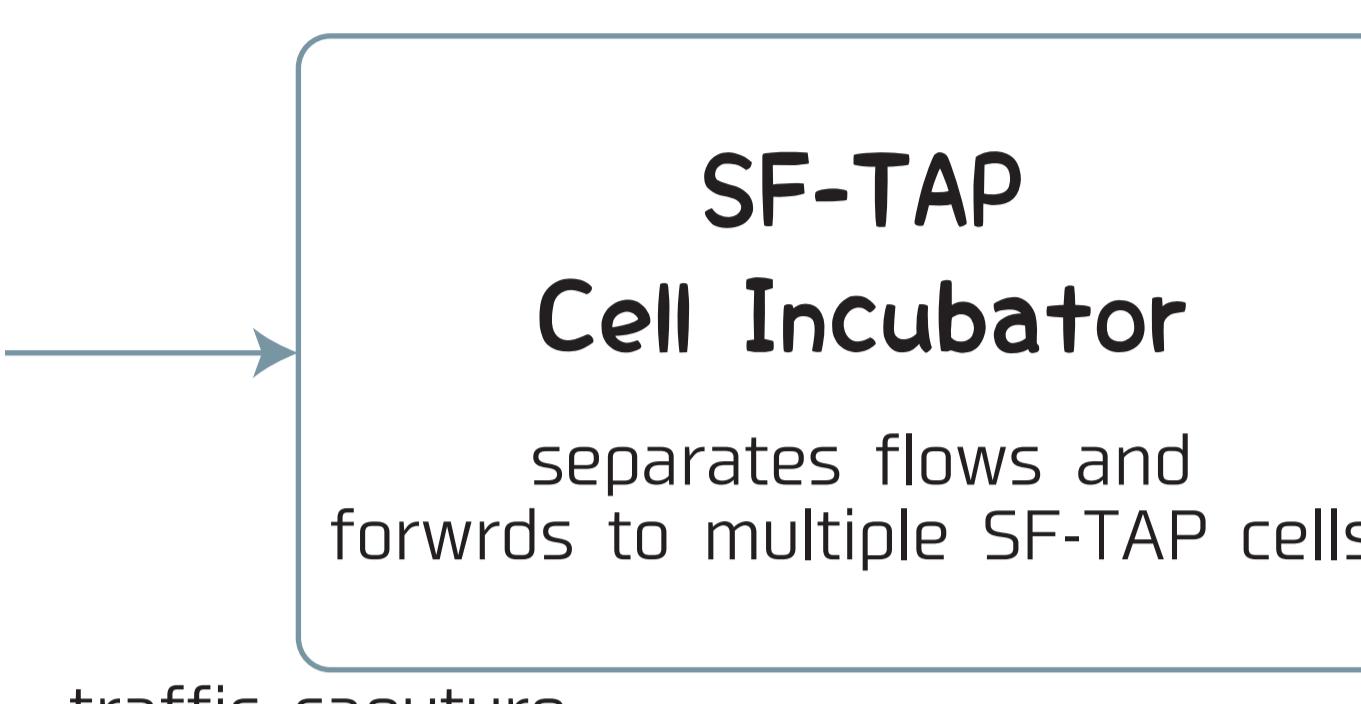
Design and Architecture

Horizontal Scalability!

SF-TAP separates high-bandwidth traffic and forwards to multiple physical machines.

Modularity!

You can implement analyzers in any programming languages for IDS/IPS, forensic, machine learning, etc.



Application-level Traffic Analysis

You do not have to handle complicated TCP/IP behavior. Just do analyze application protocol!

SF-TAP Cell

Commodity!

SF-TAP is available on commodity hardware environments.

Multicore Scalability!

SF-TAP takes advantage of multi-threading.

Configuration Example of Flow Abstractor

```
http:  
  up: '^[-a-zA-Z]+ .+ HTTP/1\.(0\r?\n|1\r?\n|  
  [-a-zA-Z]+: .+\r?\n)+'  
  down: '^HTTP/1\.[01] [1-9][0-9]{2} .+\r?\n'  
  proto: TCP # TCP or UDP  
  if: http # path to UNIX domain socket  
  nice: 100 # priority  
  balance: 4 # balanced by 4 IFs  
  
torrent_tracker: # BitTorrent Tracker  
  up: '^GET .*announce|scrape).*.*info_hash=  
  .+&.+ HTTP/1\.(0\r?\n|1\r?\n|  
  [-a-zA-Z]+: .+\r?\n)+'  
  down: '^HTTP/1\.[01] [1-9][0-9]{2} .+\r?\n'  
  proto: TCP  
  if: torrent_tracker  
  nice: 90 # priority, higher than http  
  
dns_udp:  
  proto: UDP  
  if: dns  
  port: 53 # specify port number of TCP or UDP  
  nice: 200
```

Implementation

SF-TAP Cell Incubator

<https://github.com/SF-TAP/sf-incubator>

C++ available on FreeBSD and Linux using netmap

Flow Abstractor

<https://github.com/SF-TAP/flow-abstractor>

C++ available on *BSD, Linux and MacOS X

Example Analyzers

<https://github.com/SF-TAP/protocol-parser>

HTTP: Python3

DNS: C++

Example Application: Realtime Web Graph Visualization on Interop Tokyo 2015

We captured network traffic of Interop Tokyo 2015, which is a huge business show for network technology, and analyzed HTTP traffic for visualizing web graph.

It revealed that SF-TAP can handle 10 Gbps network!

We took advantage of the modularity to implement the visualization tool.

