

An Introduction

Nagios[®]

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Why Nagios

- Open source
 - Relatively scalable, Manageable, Secure and more
 - Best documentation available
 - Good log and database system
 - Nice, informative and attractive web interface
 - Very flexible
 - Alerts automatically sent if condition changes
 - Various notification options (Email, pager, mobile phone)
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Why Nagios

- Avoidance of “Too many red flashing lights”
 - “Just the facts” – only want root cause failures to be reported, not cascade of every downstream failure.
 - also avoids unnecessary checks
 - e.g. HTTP responds, therefore no need to ping
 - e.g. power outage, no ping response, so don't bother trying anything else
 - Services are running fine no need to do check if the host itself is alive
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What Can it Do?

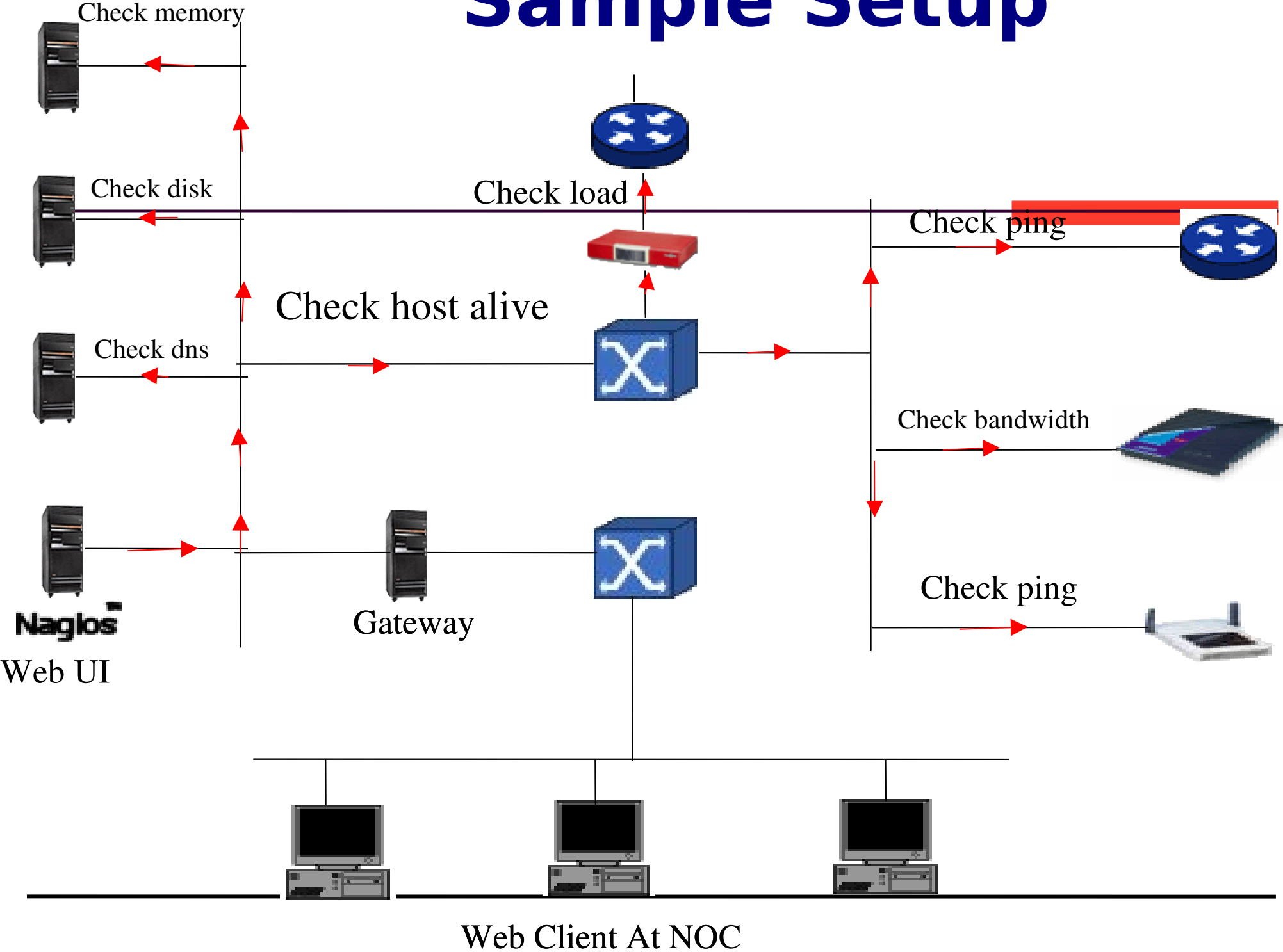
- Individual node status
 - ✓ Is it up?
 - ✓ What is its load?
 - ✓ What is the memory and swap usage?
 - ✓ NFS and network load?
 - ✓ Are the partitions full?
 - ✓ Are applications and services running properly?
 - ✓ How about ping latency?
 - Aggregated node status
 - ✓ Same info, but across groups of nodes
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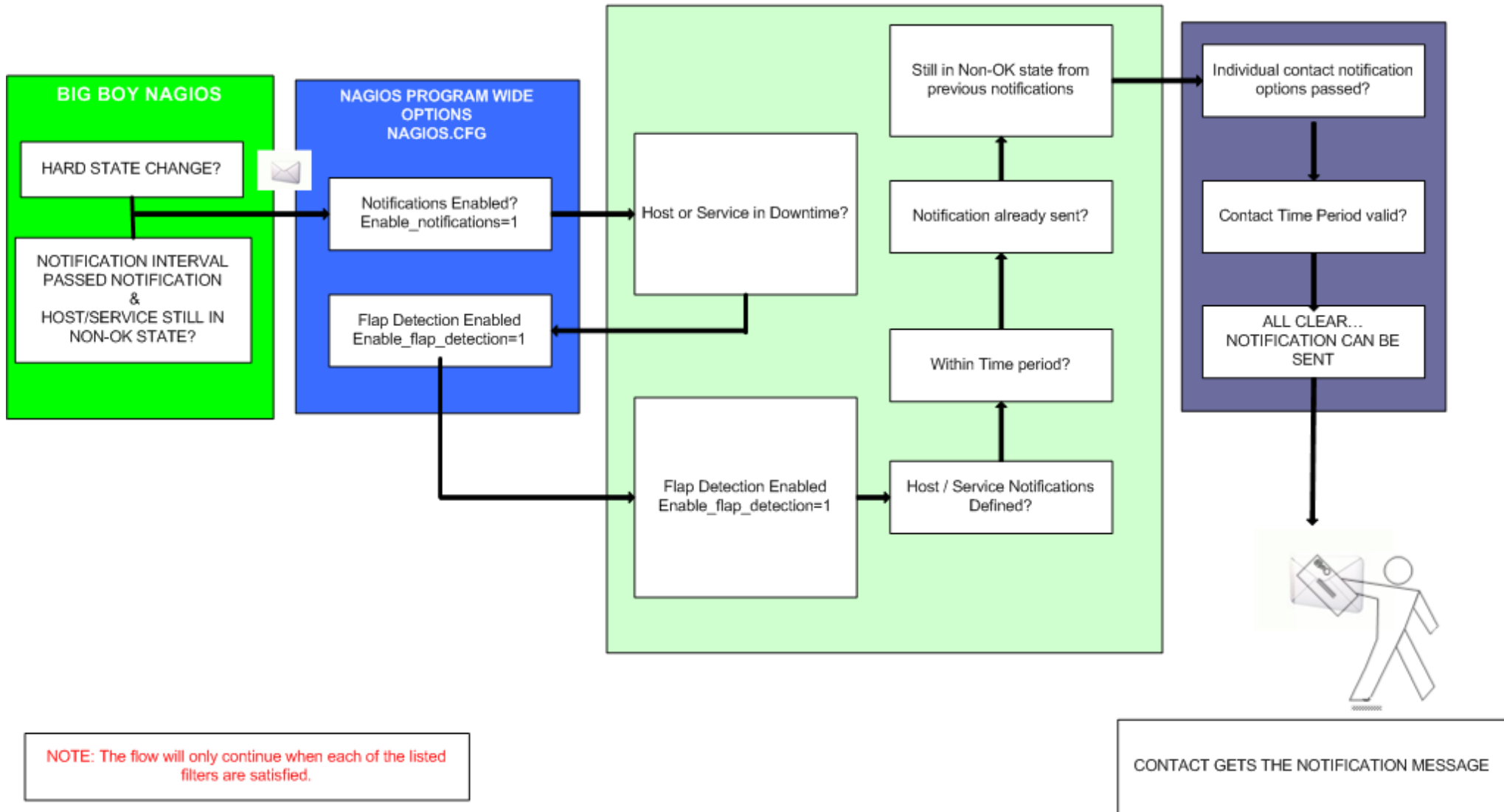
A lot, including:

- Service monitoring
 - Alerts from SNMP traps
 - Monitoring redundancy
 - Detection of primary failure to avoid multiple like alerts.
 - Notifications via email, pager, etc.
 - Notifications to individuals or defined groups
 - Log information
 - Use databases to store history
 - Graph generation from MRTG
 - Very extensible via plug-ins, add-ons and local scripts.
 - Can scale to large installations
 - Allows for redundant monitoring
 - Aggregation of like-data across multiple nodes.
 - Ability to escalate alerts
 - Runs on multiple Unices
 - Licensed under GPL v2
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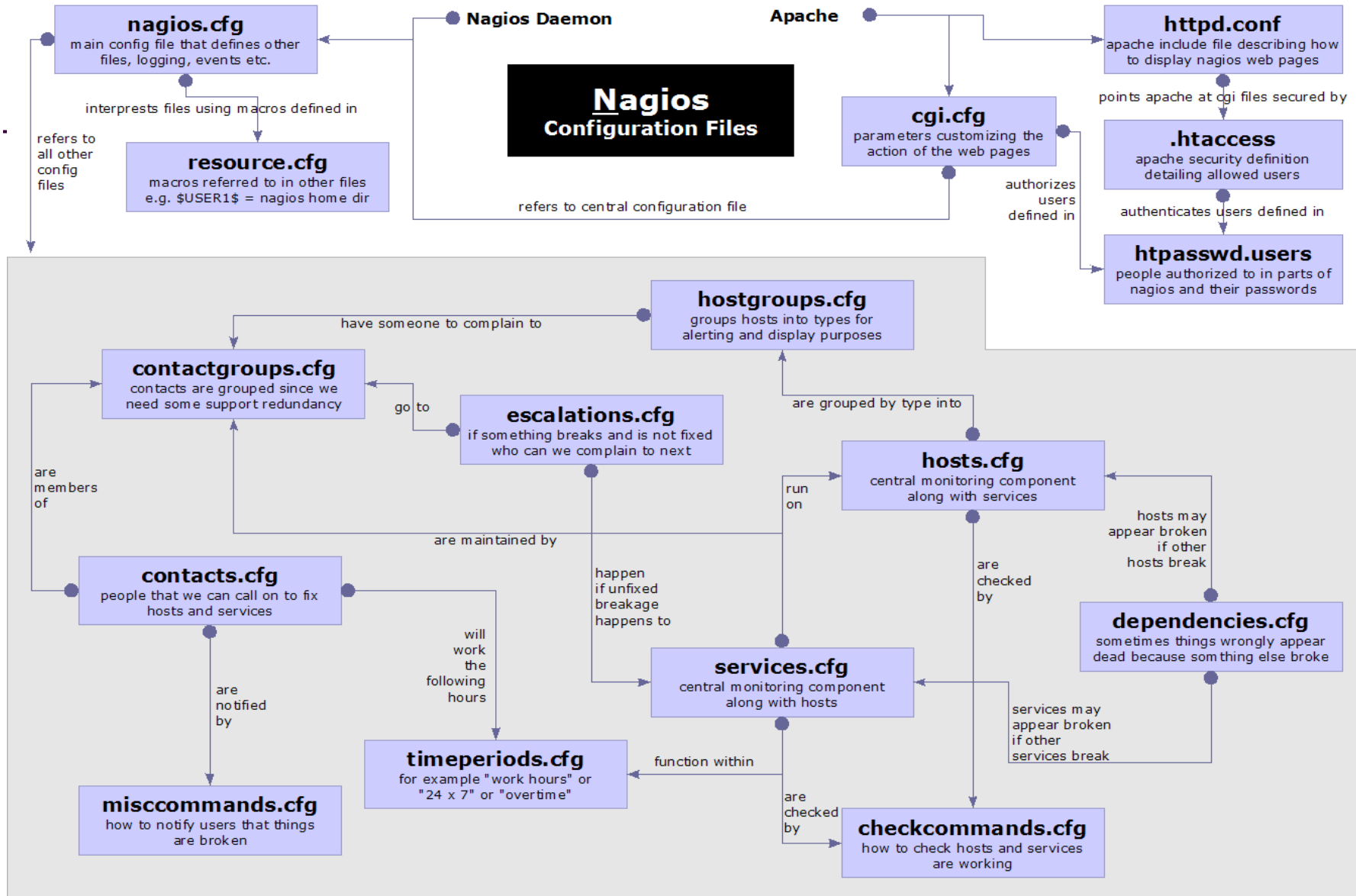
Sample Setup



NAGIOS - NOTIFICATION FLOW DIAGRAM



Nagios Configuration



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Nagios Status Detail screen

Browser address bar: <https://thuldai.mos.com.np/nagios/index.html>

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Current Network Status

Last Updated: Sun Feb 1 12:17:48 NPT 2004
Updated every 90 seconds
Nagios® - www.nagios.org
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Host Status Totals

Up	Down	Unreachable	Pending
155	15	0	0

All Problems	All Types
15	170

Service Status Totals

Ok	Warning	Unknown	Critical	Pending
226	5	0	16	0

All Problems	All Types
21	247

Display Filters:

Host Status Types: All problems
Host Properties: Any
Service Status Types: All
Service Properties: Any

Host Status Details For All Host Groups

Host ↑↓	Status ↑↓	Last Check ↑↓	Duration ↑↓	Status Information
CHILDREN-FIRST	DOWN	02-01-2004 12:13:59	1d 19h 10m 33s	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
DANIDA	DOWN	02-01-2004 12:15:55	1d 0h 43m 12s	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
DASS	DOWN	02-01-2004 12:08:59	4d 0h 40m 42s	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
FNCCI	DOWN	02-01-2004 12:12:38	4d 0h 40m 2s	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
ITLINK	DOWN	02-01-2004 12:15:55	0d 1h 37m 12s	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
Laz-cnet	DOWN	02-01-2004 12:12:38	4d 0h 38m 53s	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%

Tactical Overview Of Nagios

Browser address bar: <https://thuldai.mos.com.np/nagios/cgi-bin/tac.cgi>


Passive Checks: 0


Network Outages

1 Outages

1 Blocking Outages

Network Health

Host Health: 

Service Health: 

Hosts

14 Down	0 Unreachable	156 Up	0 Pending
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14 Unhandled Problems

Services

17 Critical	2 Warning	0 Unknown	22 OK
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3 Unhandled Problems

2 Unhandled Problems

14 on Problem Hosts

Monitoring Features

Flap Detection	Notifications	Event Handlers	Active Checks	Passive Checks
Enabled All Services Enabled 11 Services Flapping All Hosts Enabled 3 Hosts Flapping	Enabled 247 Services Disabled All Hosts Enabled	Enabled All Services Enabled All Hosts Enabled	Enabled All Services Enabled All Hosts Enabled	Enabled All Services Enabled

Service Detail of Nagios

Current Service Status - Mozilla

File Edit View Go Bookmarks Tools Window Help

https://thuldai.mos.com.np/nagios/cgi-bin/status.cgi?host=all Search

Current Network Status
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Service Status Details For All Hosts

Host	Service	Status	Last Check	Duration	Attempt	Status Information
ACTIONAID	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 09:53:07	0d 12h 20m 9s	1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 2ms
AFP	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 09:55:38	0d 13h 40m 29s	1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 1ms
AGNIPAGE	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 09:55:27	0d 0h 0m 59s	1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 1ms
BRTSCHOOL	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 09:54:06	1d 18h 7m 39s	1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 8ms
Ban-cat	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 09:56:11	0d 22h 44m 39s	1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 1ms

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Service Types

Current Service Status - Mozilla

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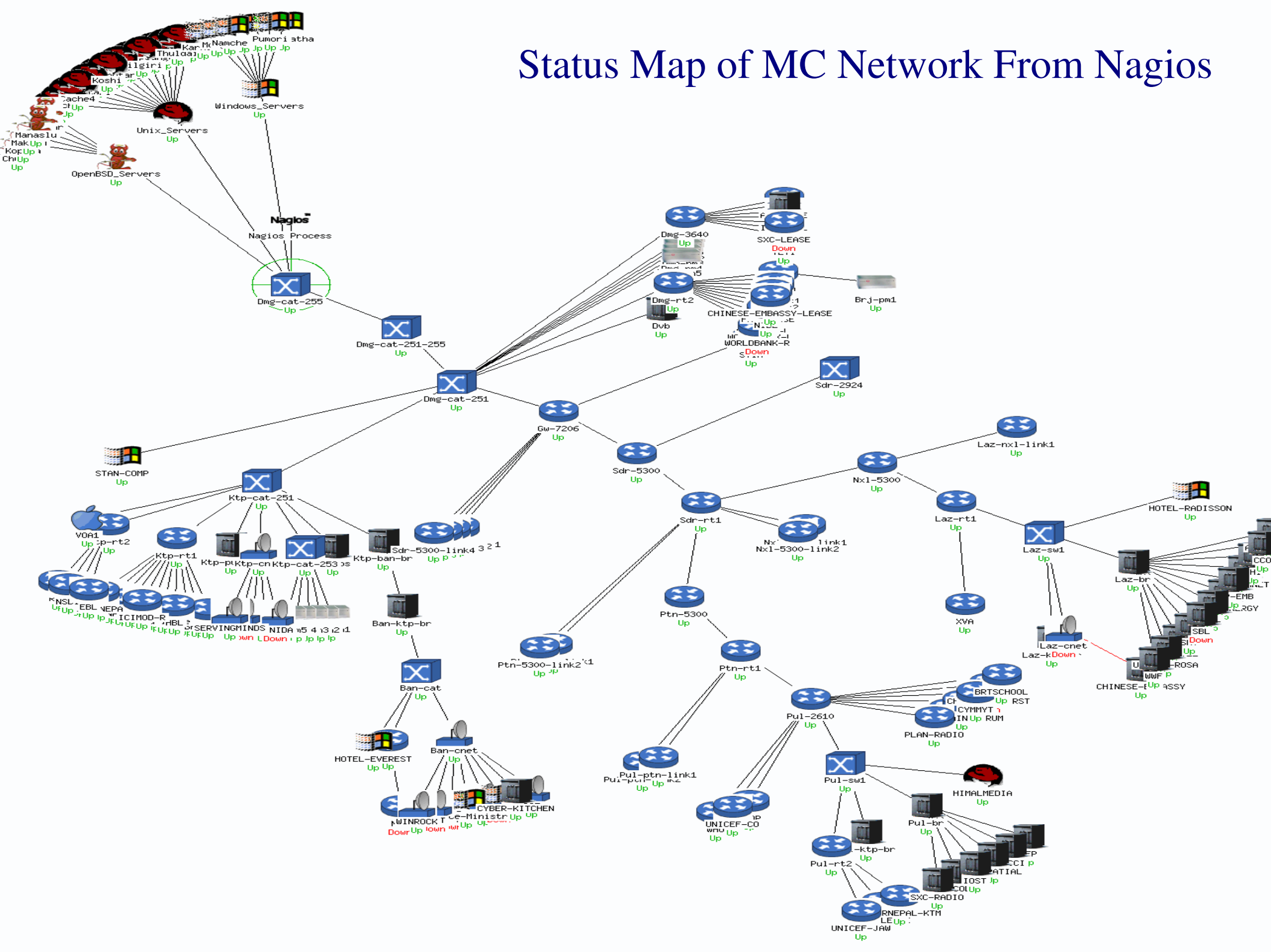
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Host	Service	Status	Details	Output
Kailash	Cpu-usage	OK	02-01-2004 10:21:58 3d 22h 48m 34s 1/3	SNMP OK: usr-cpu:1, sys-cpu:1,
	FTP	OK	02-01-2004 10:23:48 3d 22h 46m 38s 1/3	FTP OK - 0.007 second response time port 21 [220 kailash.mos.com.np FTP server ready.]
	Free-Memory	OK	02-01-2004 10:22:15 3d 22h 48m 34s 1/3	SNMP OK: Ram-Free:3100,
	HTTP	OK	02-01-2004 10:22:59 3d 22h 46m 38s 1/3	HTTP ok: HTTP/1.1 200 OK - 0.021 second response time
	Load	OK	02-01-2004 10:25:17 3d 22h 48m 34s 1/3	SNMP OK: 1MIN-Load:0.08, 5MIN-Load:0.05, 15MIN-Load:0.00,
	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 10:25:07 0d 5h 7m 33s 1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 0 ms
	disk_usage	OK	02-01-2004 10:22:51 3d 22h 48m 34s 1/3	Disk utilization: All disks OK
Karnali	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 10:25:58 0d 17h 48m 53s 1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 1 ms
Kopila	Cpu-usage	OK	02-01-2004 10:24:07 3d 22h 48m 34s 1/3	SNMP OK: usr-cpu:0, sys-cpu:1,
	Free-Memory	OK	02-01-2004 10:22:51 3d 22h 46m 38s 1/3	SNMP OK: Ram-Free:3808,
	Load	OK	02-01-2004 10:22:18 3d 22h 48m 34s 1/3	SNMP OK: 1MIN-Load:0.18, 5MIN-Load:0.19, 15MIN-Load:0.18,
	POP	OK	02-01-2004 10:23:07 3d 22h 46m 38s 1/3	POP OK - 0.028 second response time port 110 [+OK <8832.1075610415@kopila.mos.com
	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 10:25:58 3d 15h 7m 15s 1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 1 ms
Koshi	Ping	OK	02-01-2004 10:22:37 1d 13h 37m 43s 1/3	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 9 ms

Done

Mozilla-bi [root@dhr] Sun Feb 01, 9:56 PM

Status Map of MC Network From Nagios



Status Overview from nagios



[All Routers @Durbar Marg-KTM \(Routers@DMG\)](#)

Host	Status	Services	Actions
Dmg-3640	UP	1 OK	
Dmg-rt2	UP	1 OK	
Gw-7206	UP	1 OK	

[All Routers @Kantipath-KTM \(Routers@KP\)](#)

Host	Status	Services	Actions
Ktp-rt1	UP	1 OK	
Ktp-rt2	UP	1 OK	

[All Routers @Lazim](#)

Host	Status	Services
Laz-nxl-link1	UP	1 OK
Laz-rt1	UP	1 OK

[All Routers @POPs w/ Lease Link \(Routers@POPsL\)](#)

Host	Status	Services	Actions
Bri-gw	UP	1 OK	
Bri-gw	UP	1 OK	
Bri-link1	UP	1 OK	
Bri-link2	UP	1 OK	
Htd-lease	DOWN	1 CRITICAL	

[All Routers @POPs w/ VSAT Link \(Routers@POPsV\)](#)

Host	Status	Services	Actions
Bri-2501	UP	1 OK	
Btl-vsai	UP	1 OK	
Htd-vsai	UP	1 WARNING	
Nam-gw	UP	1 OK	

[All Routers @Sundhara](#)

Host	Status	Services
Ptn-rt1	UP	1 OK

[All Routers @Pulchowk-KTM \(Routers@PUL\)](#)

Host	Status	Services	Actions
Pul-2610	UP	1 OK	
Pul-ptn-link1	UP	1 OK	
Pul-ptn-link2	UP	1 OK	
Pul-rt2	UP	1 OK	

[All Routers @Sundhara \(Routers@SDR\)](#)

Host	Status	Services	Actions
Sdr-rt1	UP	1 OK	

[All Routers @Xpressway \(Routers@X\)](#)

Host	Status	Services
AGNIPAGE		
BRTSCHOOL		

Status Summary Based On Hostgroup

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Status Summary For All Host Groups

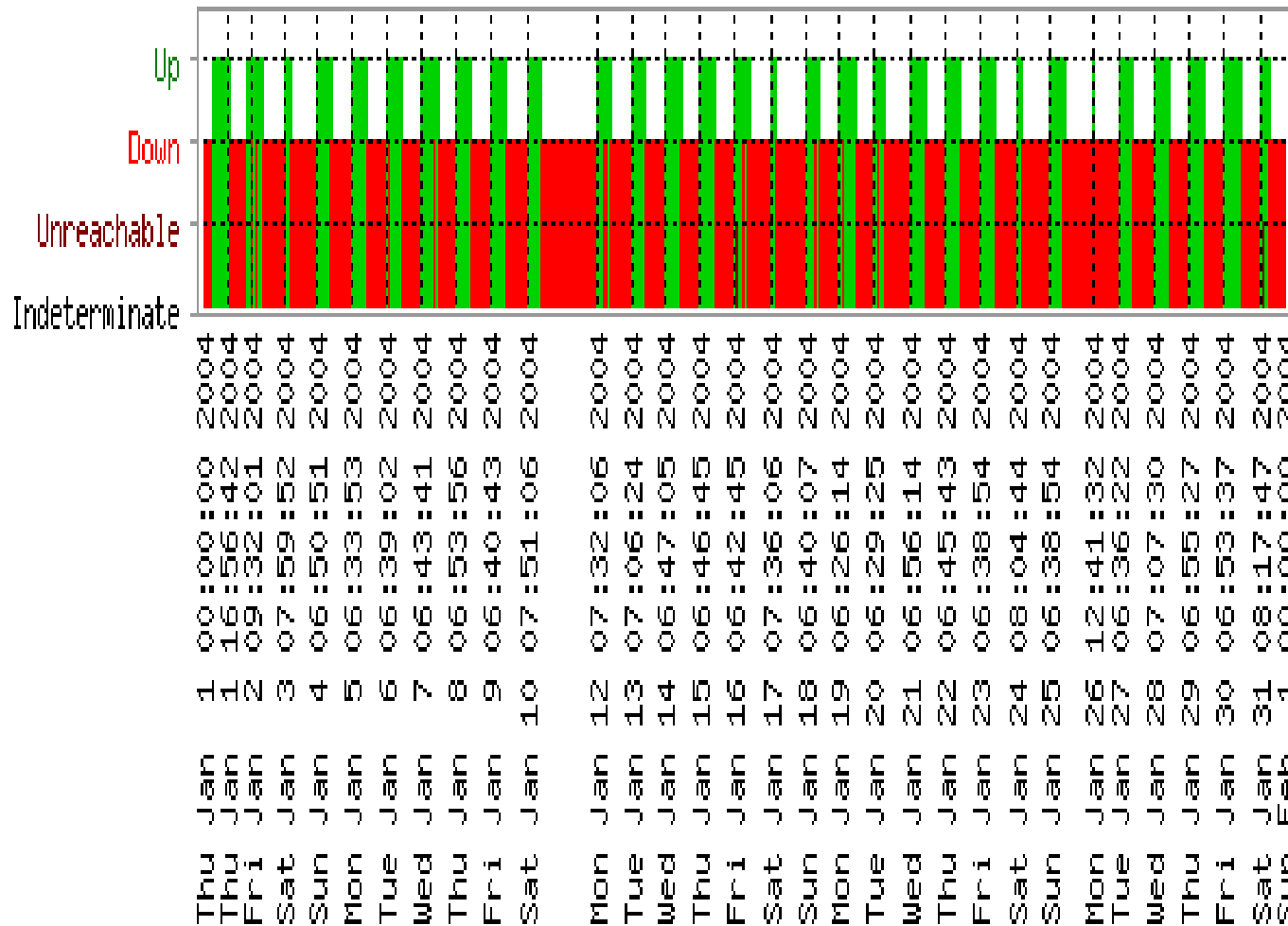
Host Group	Host Status Totals	Service Status Totals
Access Servers@KTM (AS@KTM)	11 UP	11 OK
All Routers @KTM (Routers@KTM)	7 UP	7 OK
All Routers @MIX Customers w/ Radio Link (Routers@MIXR)	1 UP	1 OK
All Routers @Xpreway Customers w/ Radio Link (Routers@XprewayR)	19 UP 1 DOWN	19 OK 1 CRITICAL
All Routers @Xpreway Customers w/ Radio Link (Cnet_Clients@XprewayR)	6 UP 4 DOWN	5 OK 5 CRITICAL
All Cnets @KTM (Cnets@KTM)	2 UP 1 DOWN	2 OK 1 CRITICAL
All Co-located Servers (Co-locators)	2 UP	2 OK
Ipricot DVB @DMG (DVB@DMG)	1 UP	1 OK
All Email-alert-only Boxes (E-boxes)	1 UP	1 OK
All Livingston Portmasters @Kathmandu (Portmasters@KTM)	10 UP	10 OK
All Livingston Portmasters @MC-POPs (Portmasters@POPs)	1 UP	1 WARNING
All Routers @Baneshor (Routers@BAN)	1 UP	1 OK
All Routers @Durbar Marg-KTM (Routers@DMG)	3 UP	3 OK
All Routers @Kantipath-KTM (Routers@KP)	2 UP	2 OK
All Routers @Lazimpat (Routers@LAZ)	2 UP	2 OK
All Routers @POPs w/ Lease Link (Routers@POPsL)	4 UP 1 DOWN	4 OK 1 CRITICAL

Host Trends or Status History

App
Trends

State History For Host 'Don_Bosco'

Thu Jan 1 00:00:00 2004 to Sun Feb 1 00:00:00 2004



State Breakdowns:

Up : (32.6%) 10d 2h 21m 41s
 Down : (67.1%) 20d 19h 17m 27s
 Unreachable : (0.3%) 0d 2h 5m 12s
 Indeterminate: (0.0%) 0d 0h 15m 40s



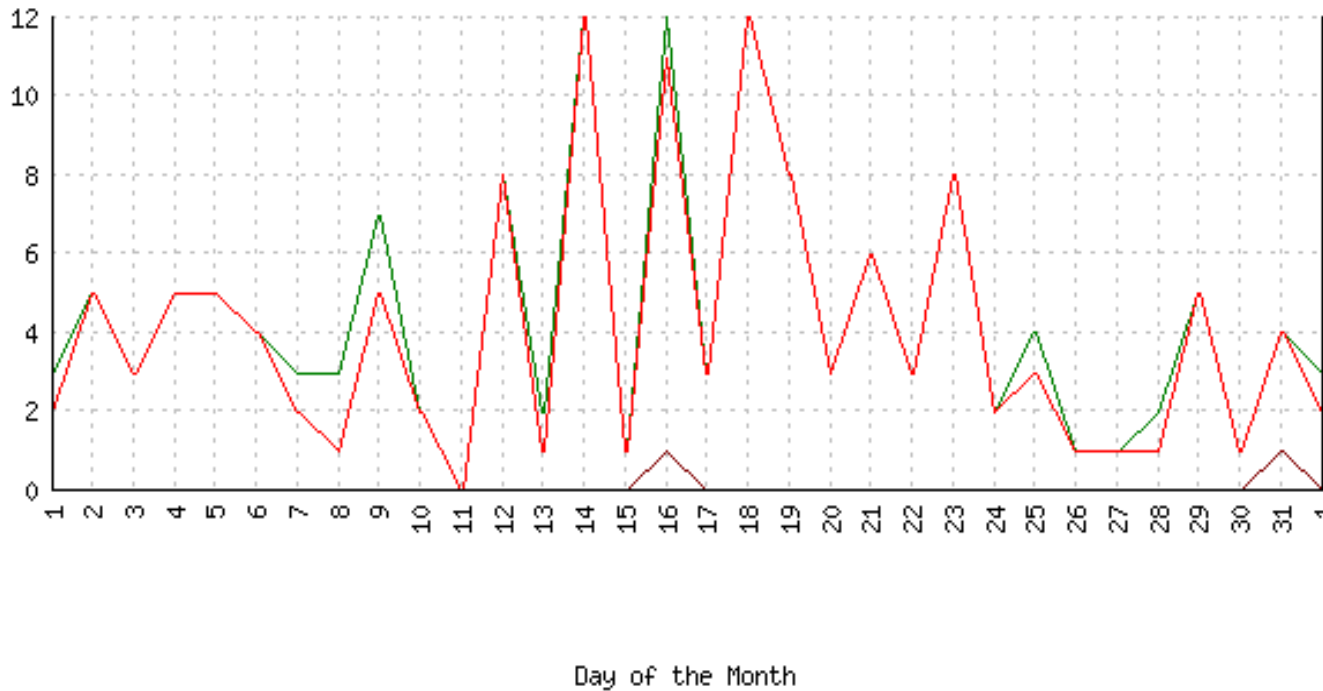
Histogram Of Host



 Histogram

Event History For Host 'Don_Bosco'

Thu Jan 1 00:00:00 2004 to Sun Feb 1 00:00:00 2004



EVENT TYPE	MIN	MAX	SUM	AVG
Recovery (Up):	0	12	138	4.45
Down:	0	12	128	4.13
Unreachable:	0	1	2	0.06



Event Logs

https://thuldai.mos.com.np/nagios/cgi-bin/showlog.cgi

Current Event Log

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Log File Navigation

Sun Feb 1 00:00:00
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Older Entries First:

Update



File: /usr/local/nagios/var/nagios.log

February 01, 2004 12:00

- [02-01-2004 12:14:28] HOST NOTIFICATION: Amod;WORLDBANK-R;DOWN;host-notify-by-email;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
- [02-01-2004 12:14:28] HOST NOTIFICATION: Amod;WORLDBANK-R;DOWN;host-notify-by-epager;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
- [02-01-2004 12:14:28] HOST NOTIFICATION: DeepakA;WORLDBANK-R;DOWN;host-notify-by-epager;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
- [02-01-2004 12:14:28] HOST NOTIFICATION: Krishna;WORLDBANK-R;DOWN;host-notify-by-epager;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
- [02-01-2004 12:14:27] HOST NOTIFICATION: NirajS;WORLDBANK-R;DOWN;host-notify-by-email;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
- [02-01-2004 12:14:27] HOST NOTIFICATION: Prabhu;WORLDBANK-R;DOWN;host-notify-by-epager;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
- [02-01-2004 12:14:27] HOST NOTIFICATION: Ravin;WORLDBANK-R;DOWN;host-notify-by-email;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
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- [02-01-2004 12:14:27] HOST NOTIFICATION: Upendra;WORLDBANK-R;DOWN;host-notify-by-email;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
- [02-01-2004 12:12:16] SERVICE ALERT: SDC;Ping;WARNING;HARD;1;PING WARNING - Packet loss = 60%, RTA = 23.73 ms
- [02-01-2004 12:12:16] HOST ALERT: SDC;DOWN;HARD;1;PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
- [02-01-2004 12:11:09] SERVICE ALERT: Htd-vsats;Ping;WARNING;HARD;3;PING WARNING - Packet loss = 40%, RTA = 674.22 ms
- [02-01-2004 12:10:26] SERVICE ALERT: Htd-lease;Ping;WARNING;HARD;3;PING WARNING - Packet loss = 40%, RTA = 385.85 ms
- [02-01-2004 12:08:58] SERVICE FLAPPING ALERT: WORLDBANK-R;Ping;STOPPED; Service appears to have stopped flapping (3.8% change < 5.0% threshold)
- [02-01-2004 12:08:49] HOST NOTIFICATION: Gyanu;Htd-lease;UP;host-notify-by-email;PING OK - Packet loss = 30%, RTA = 357.24 ms
- [02-01-2004 12:08:48] HOST NOTIFICATION: Ishwar;Htd-lease;UP;host-notify-by-email;PING OK - Packet loss = 30%, RTA = 357.24 ms
- [02-01-2004 12:08:48] HOST NOTIFICATION: Kedar;Htd-lease;UP;host-notify-by-epager;PING OK - Packet loss = 30%, RTA = 357.24 ms
- [02-01-2004 12:08:48] HOST NOTIFICATION: MSurya;Htd-lease;UP;host-notify-by-email;PING OK - Packet loss = 30%, RTA = 357.24 ms

Who is Notified?

Contact Notifications

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All Contacts

Log File Navigation

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Notification detail level for all contacts:

All notifications

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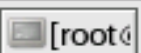
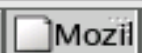
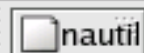


Update



File: /usr/local/nagios/var/nagios.log

Host	Service	Type	Time	Contact	Notification Command	Information
WORLDBANK-R	N/A	HOST DOWN	02-01-2004 11:13:12	Amod	host-notify-by-email	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
WORLDBANK-R	N/A	HOST DOWN	02-01-2004 11:13:12	Amod	host-notify-by-epager	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
WORLDBANK-R	N/A	HOST DOWN	02-01-2004 11:13:11	DeepakA	host-notify-by-epager	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
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WORLDBANK-R	N/A	HOST DOWN	02-01-2004 11:13:10	Ravin	host-notify-by-epager	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
WORLDBANK-R	N/A	HOST DOWN	02-01-2004 11:13:08	Upendra	host-notify-by-email	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
Laz-cnet	N/A	HOST DOWN	02-01-2004 11:07:49	Amod	host-notify-by-email	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
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Htd-lease	N/A	HOST DOWN	02-01-2004 10:56:06	Gyanu	host-notify-by-email	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%
Htd-lease	N/A	HOST DOWN	02-01-2004 10:56:06	Ishwar	host-notify-by-email	PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%



Notification Email Sample

From: nagios@thuldai.mos.com.np

To: "ishwars@mos.com.np" <ishwars@mos.com.np>

Subject: Host DOWN alert for WORLDBANK-L!

Date: 05/02/04 11:09

***** Nagios *****

Notification Type: PROBLEM

Host: WORLDBANK-L

State: DOWN

Address: 202.52.239.70

Info: PING CRITICAL - Packet loss = 100%

Date/Time: Thu Feb 5 11:06:38 NPT 2004

Nagios configuration files

- Located in `/usr/local/etc/nagios/`
 - Important files:
 - `cgi.cfg` controls the Web Interface options security
 - `commands.cfg` commands that Nagios uses to notify
 - `nagios.cfg` main Nagios configuration file
 - `conf.d/*` the core of the config files
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Nagios configuration files

- Under conf.d/*, files “xxxx_nagios2.cfg”:
 - contacts users and groups
 - generic-host “template” host (default)
 - generic-service “template” service
 - hostgroups host group definitions
 - services which services to check
 - timeperiods when to check and notify
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Nagios plugin configuration

- /etc/nagios-plugins/config/

apt.cfg

ntp.cfg

dhcp.cfg

ping.cfg

disk.cfg

procs.cfg

dummy.cfg

real.cfg

ftp.cfg

ssh.cfg

http.cfg

tcp_udp.cfg

load.cfg

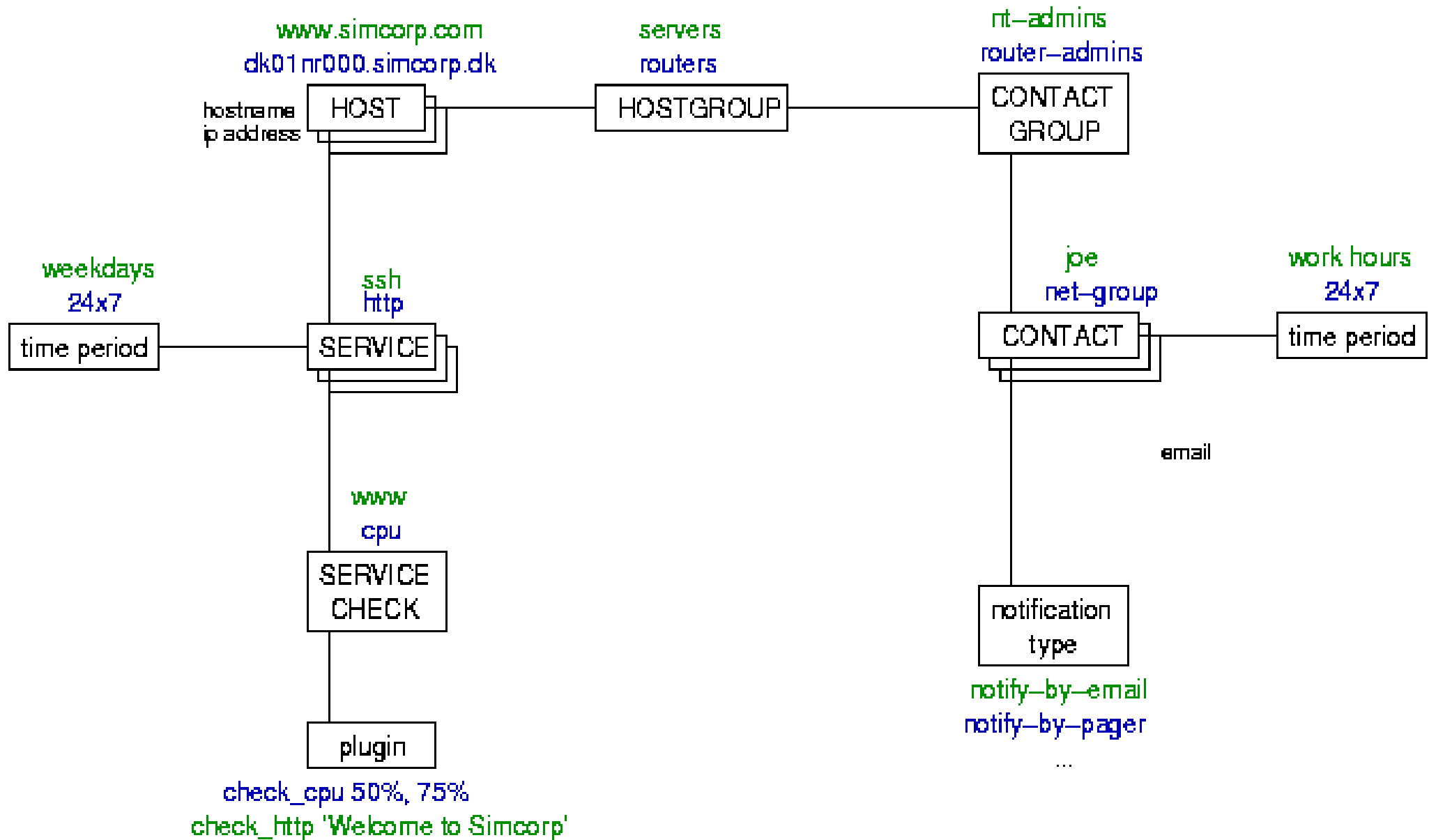
telnet.cfg

mail.cfg

users.cfg

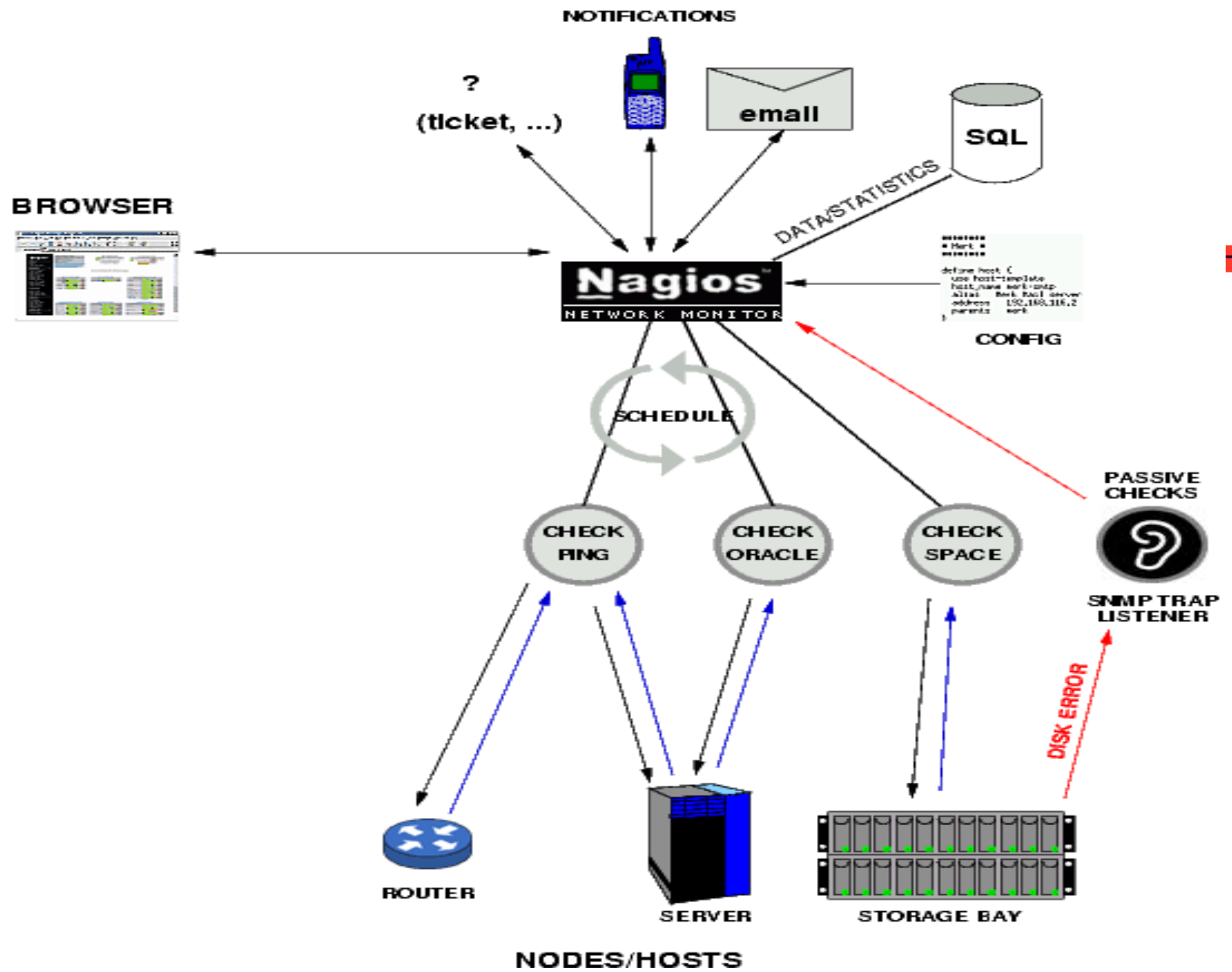
news.cfg

NAGIOS schema

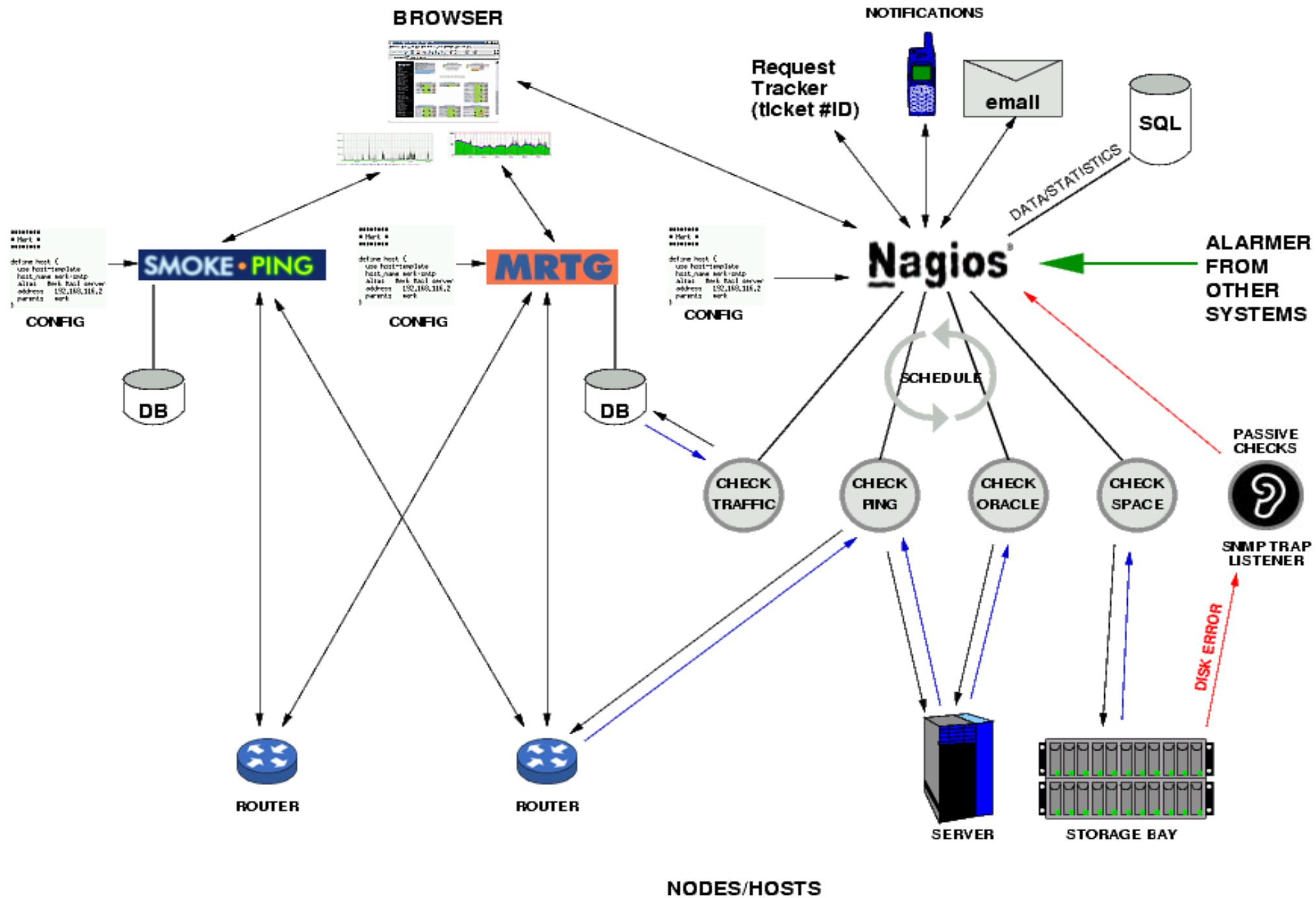


Concepts: parents

- Hosts can have parents
 - Allows one to specify which dependencies there are in the network
 - Avoid sending alarms if we cannot know the state of a host...
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Nagios Resources

[Nagios Home](#)

<http://www.nagios.org/>

[Nagios Plugins and Add Ons Exchange](#)

<http://www.nagiosexchange.com/>

[Nagios Tutorial for Debian](#)

<http://www.debianhelp.co.uk/nagios.htm>

[Nagios Commercial Support](#)

<http://www.nagios.com/>



Questions?
