InMon Corporation - Fact Sheet

Company Overview

InMon Corp. is the leading supplier of statistical sampling technology for monitoring traffic on high-speed physical and virtual networks, and for monitoring application and system performance on physical and virtual hosts. InMon's patented sFlow® technology and comprehensive performance analysis products defend against threats to network and system availability and security, ensuring the delivery of critical voice, email, web, database and other services that are essential for an organization to function.

Technology

InMon's sFlow technology has emerged as the leading multi-vendor standard monitoring high-speed switched and routed networks. sFlow is lightweight enough to embed in every switch port, from layer 2 departmental switches through to core BGP routers, and scalable enough to provide continuous, real-time traffic monitoring of tens of thousands of ports at 10 Gigabit speeds and beyond. sFlow is also embedded in the virtual switch of virtualization products. By adding the ability to monitor physical and virtual systems and applications, sFlow provides complete visibility of and enterprise or datacenter.

Partnerships

InMon works with leading switch and router vendors to enhance their networking solutions with comprehensive traffic management based on sFlow. The first sFlow enabled devices started shipping in 2002 and now sFlow is available in equipment from most leading vendors, including: Alcatel (EPA:ALU, NYSE:ALU), Allied Telesis, Arista Networks, Brocade Communication Systems (NASDAQ:BRCD), Dell (Force10 Networks) (NASDAQ:DELL), Enterasys, Extreme Networks (NASDAQ:EXTR), Hewlett-Packard (NYSE:HPQ), Hitachi (NYSE:HIT), IBM (NYSE:IBM), Juniper Networks (NYSE:JNPR), NEC (NASDAQ:NIPNY) and Netgear (NASDAQ:NTGR).

InMon has also partnered with several virtualization and application vendors, to add sFlow instrumentation.

Products

InMon's Traffic Sentinel is a comprehensive performance analysis product, which makes use of the sFlow technology to provide to provide scalable, real-time visibility across the entire networked infrastructure, delivering the integrated picture of network, storage, server and communications performance needed to ensure optimal service delivery in a converged infrastructure. InMon Traffic Sentinel is used to:
• Manage network, server, storage and communications performance from a single "pane of glass"
• Identify network, computing and storage hot spots
• Monitor performance of scale-out storage, compute and switch clusters
• Track network, server and application dependencies
• Eliminate congestion and ensure quality of service
• Identify under utilized resources and improve efficiency
• Account for usage

In addition to sFlow, which provides the most complete functionality, Traffic Sentinel can also monitor networks using other embedded traffic monitoring technologies, including IPFIX and vendor specific technologies such as Cisco NetFlow, Juniper J-Flow and HP Extended-RMON. Traffic Sentinel's use of embedded instrumentation significantly lowers the cost of network monitoring by eliminating the need for expensive probes.

Traffic Sentinel's use of host and application sFlow, allows it to monitor performance of all physical and virtual hosts and supported applications in a datacenter providing an integrated, end-end view of datacenter performance.

sFlowTrend-Pro is a fully featured product designed for smaller networks, with a high ease of use making it suitable for diverse customers. sFlowTrend-Pro runs on almost any system, and provides many of the features of Traffic Sentinel, but with a lower investment and for smaller networks. A free version, sFlowTrend, offers an easy route to trying out the benefits of sFlow for monitoring a network, hosts and applications.

Customers

InMon's products have been purchased by over 300 leading Enterprise, Service Provider, Educational, Healthcare, Government and Media customers around the world. InMon's customers include Hewlett-Packard, General Mills, Peer1, Stanford University, BBC, NASA and USGS.

Headquarters

San Francisco, California.

Management

InMon's management team has extensive experience in network instrumentation, control systems and monitoring systems design. They have worked closely with large Enterprise customers and Service Providers, and with network equipment vendors in the design and development of manageable network solutions.

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