

# Streaming Telemetry Under the Hood: Something to Think About

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# Do They Select Cars By Color?



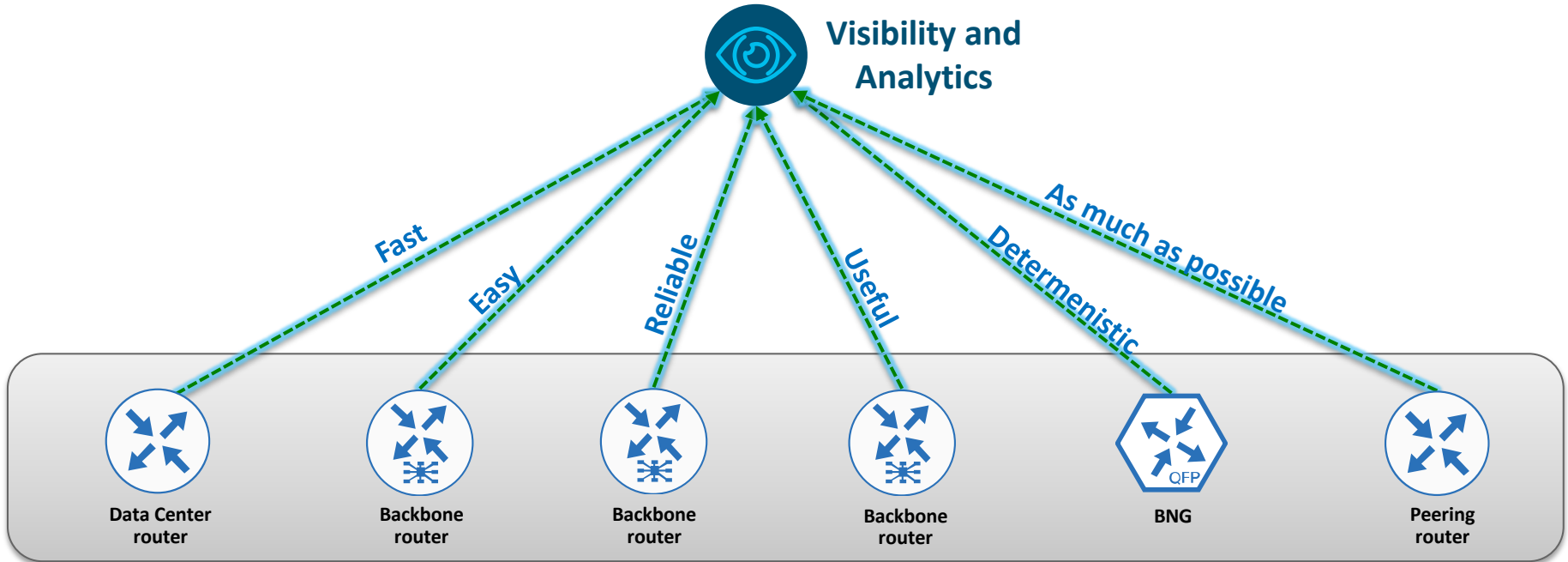
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# “~~Scream~~ Stream If You Wanna Go Faster”

**Telemetry:** an automated communications process by which measurements and other data are collected at remote or inaccessible points and transmitted to receiving equipment for monitoring.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Telemetry>

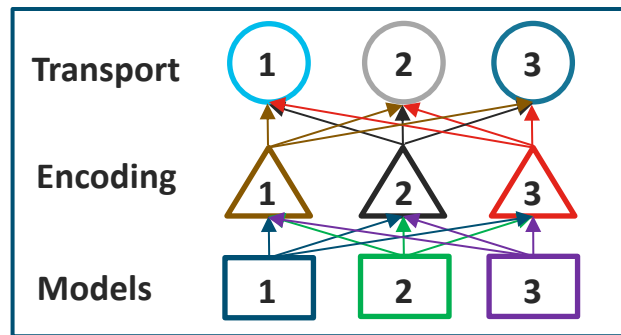
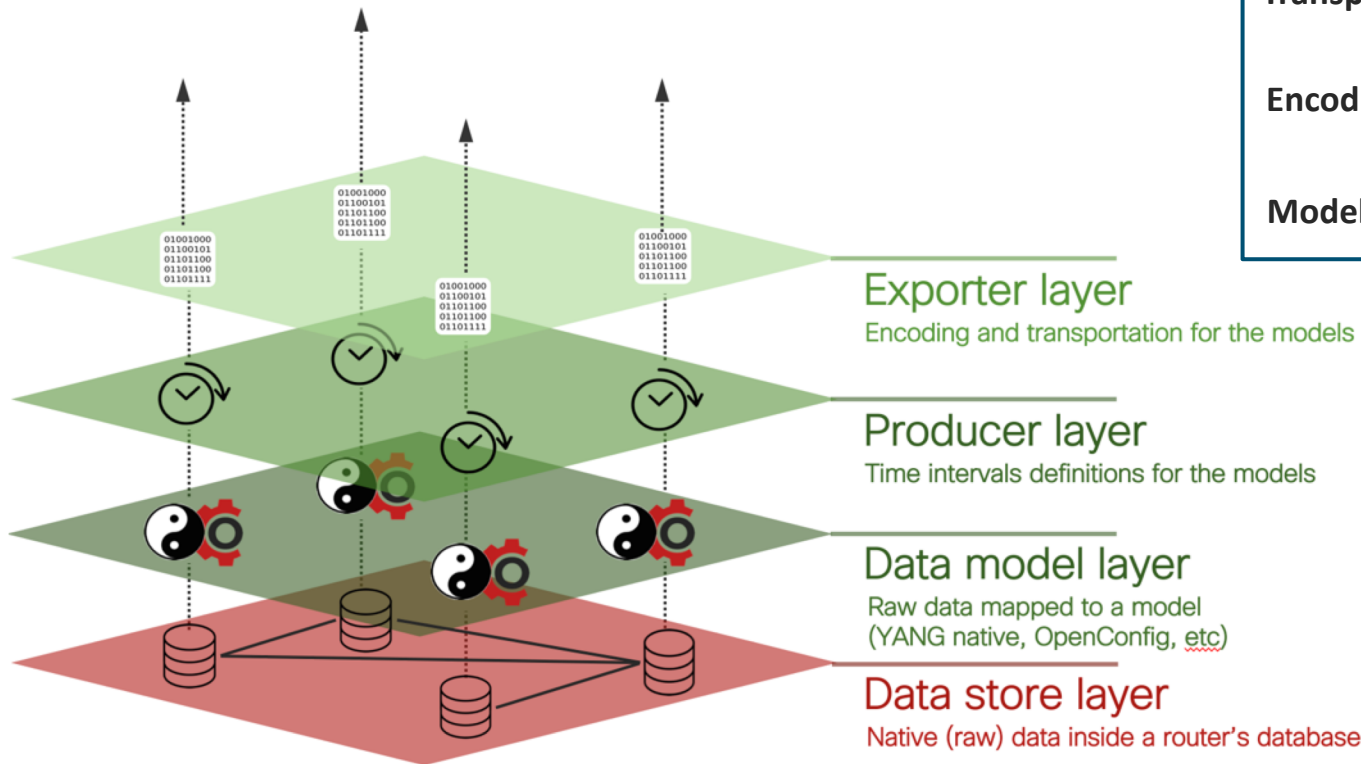




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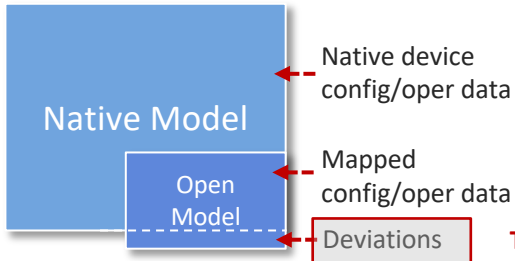
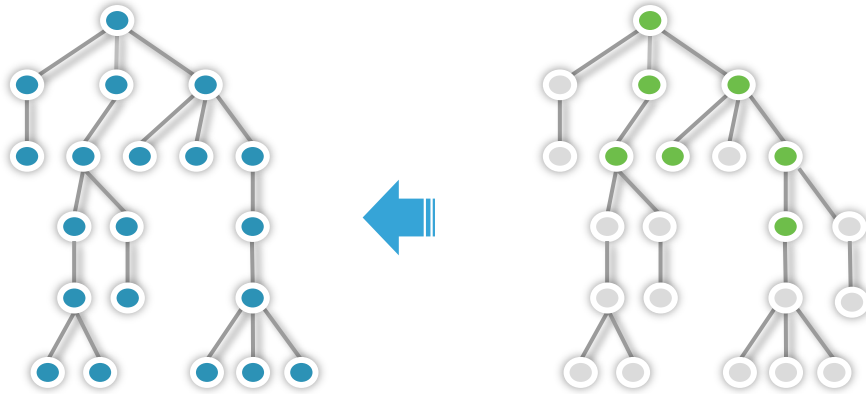
# How Do You See Telemetry In a Router?



# Check Your Models

Native

OpenConfig

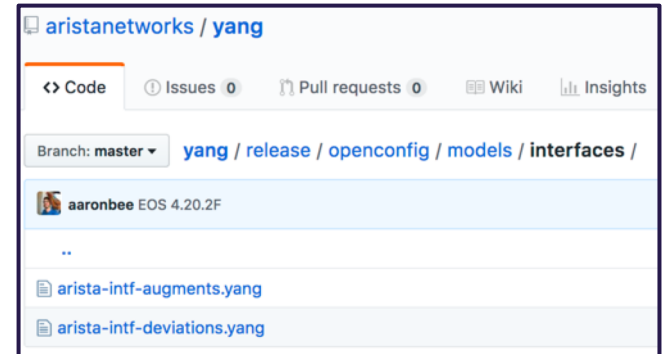
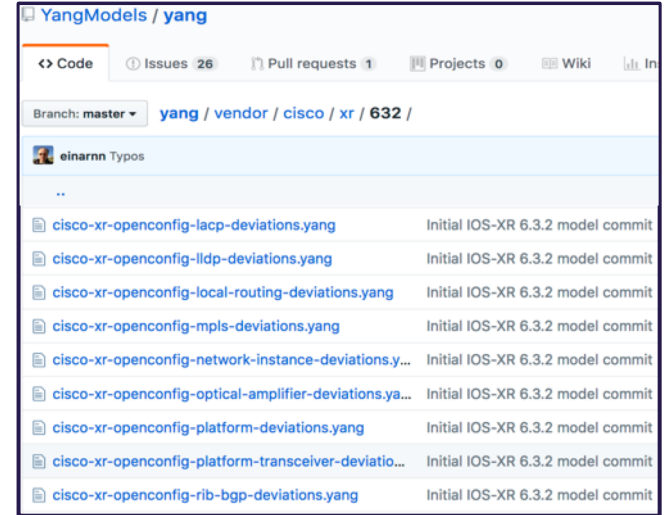


Native device  
config/oper data

Mapped  
config/oper data

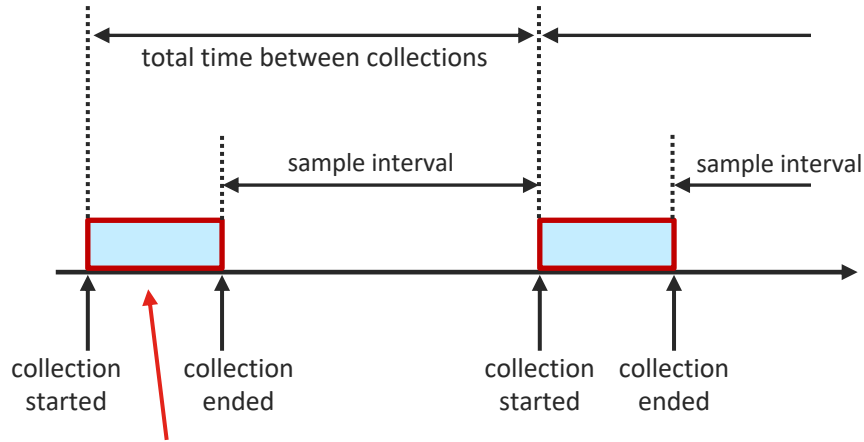
Deviations

**This might not always  
work for Telemetry**



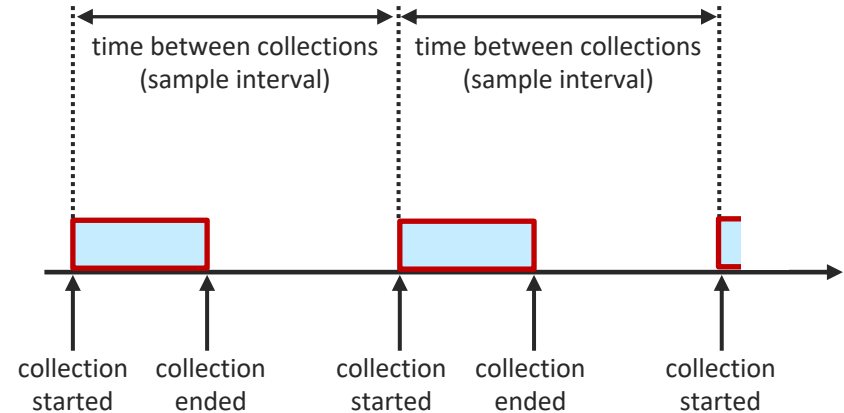
# What Does Sample Interval Really Mean?

- ✓ Works fine for small collections
- ✓ You should never see missed collections
- 🤔 Hard to automate, no consistent behavior



This might vary  
in time

- ✓ Consistent behavior, easy to automate
- ✓ Sample interval must be more than max collection time
- 🤔 You might see missed collections



# Missed Collections. What To Do?

## What do you expect from your router?



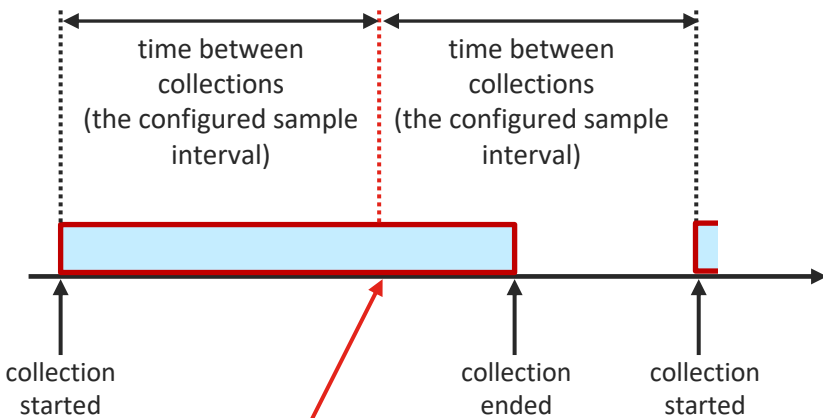
Send all 1s / all 0s?



Send previous collection values?



Leave things as is and don't send anything?

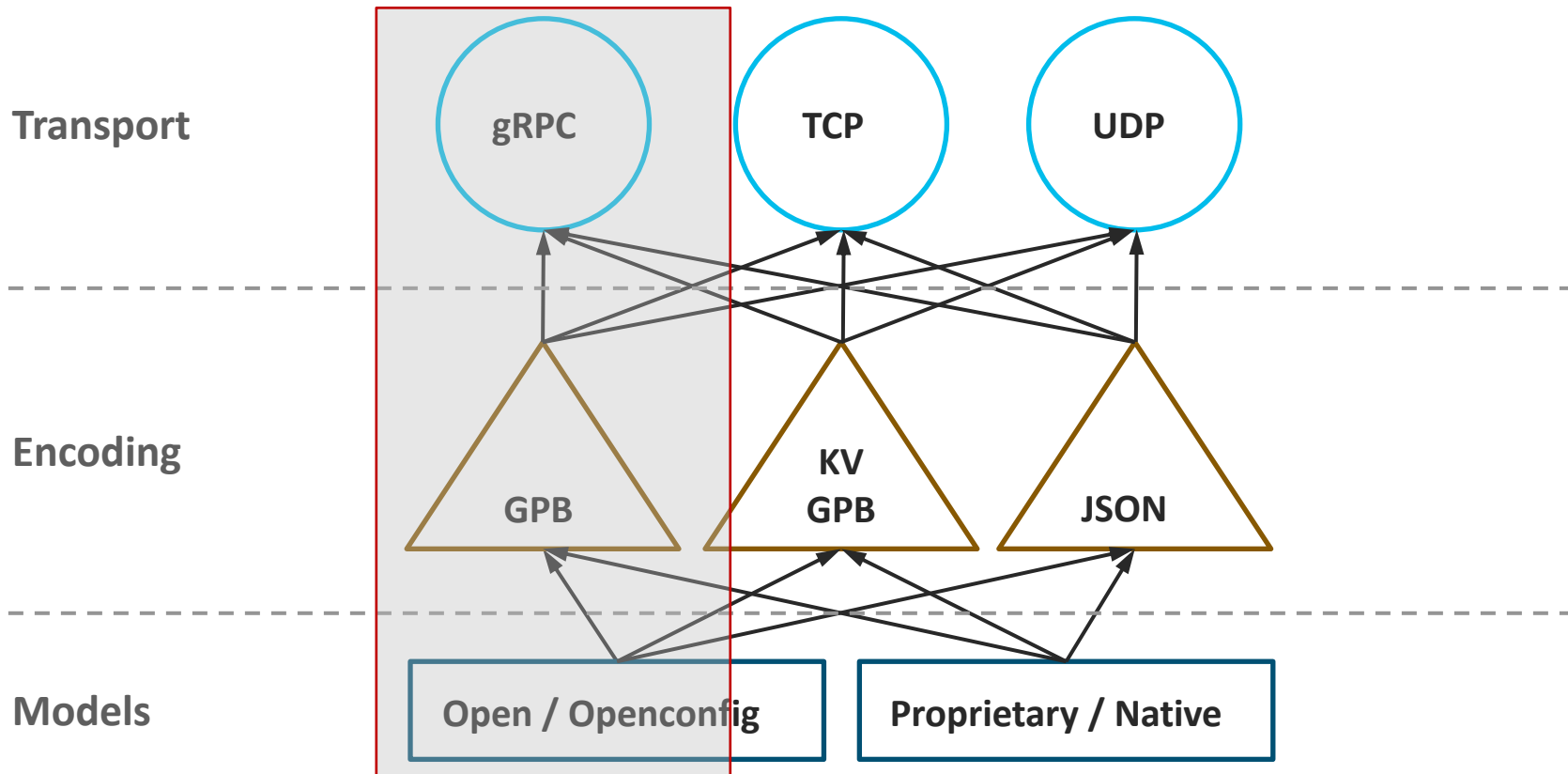


What will your router do here?

Timestamp	CPU	(Epoch converted)
1522936669977000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:57:49.977 PM)
1522936674977000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:57:54.977 PM)
1522936679979000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:57:59.979 PM)
1522936684976000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:04.976 PM)
1522936689978000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:09.978 PM)
1522936694973000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:14.973 PM)
1522936699830000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:19.983 PM)
1522936704976000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:24.976 PM)
1522936709976000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:29.976 PM)
1522936714976000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:34.976 PM)
1522936719975000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:39.975 PM)
1522936724975000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:44.975 PM)
1522936729982000000	9	(April 5, 2018 1:58:49.982 PM)
1522936734976000000	8	(April 5, 2018 1:58:54.976 PM)
1522936739978000000	8	(April 5, 2018 1:58:59.978 PM)
1522936749977000000	8	(April 5, 2018 1:59:09.977 PM)
1522936754975000000	8	(April 5, 2018 1:59:14.975 PM)

Do you want to fill the gap or not?

# How Do You Want Your Data Out?



# Is It Enough To State gRPC/GPB Support?

## Define your Telemetry message

```
syntax = "proto3";
option go_package = "telemetry_bis";

/* Common Telemetry message */ // this is common for both
message Telemetry {
  oneof node_id {
    string node_id_str = 1;
  }
  oneof subscription {
    string subscription_id_str = 3;
  }
  string encoding_path = 6;
  uint64 collection_id = 8;
  uint64 collection_start_time = 9;
  uint64 msg_timestamp = 10;
  repeated TelemetryField data_gpbkv = 11;
  TelemetryGPBTable data_gpb = 12;
  uint64 collection_end_time = 13;
}
```

## Define your gRPC calls

```
service gRPCConfigOper {

  // Configuration related commands
  rpc GetConfig(ConfigGetArgs) returns(stream ConfigGetReply) {};
  rpc MergeConfig(ConfigArgs) returns(ConfigReply) {};
  rpc DeleteConfig(ConfigArgs) returns(ConfigReply) {};
  rpc ReplaceConfig(ConfigArgs) returns(ConfigReply) {};
  rpc CliConfig(CliConfigArgs) returns(CliConfigReply) {};
  rpc CommitReplace(CommitReplaceArgs) returns (CommitReplaceReply) {};
  rpc CommitConfig(CommitArgs) returns(CommitReply) {};
  rpc ConfigDiscardChanges(DiscardChangesArgs) returns(DiscardChangesReply) {};
  // Get only returns oper data
  rpc GetOper(GetOperArgs) returns(stream GetOperReply) {};

  // Get Telemetry Data
  rpc CreateSubs(CreateSubsArgs) returns(stream CreateSubsReply) {};
}
```

# Is It Enough To State gRPC/GPB Support?

## Juniper's OC .proto

```
package telemetry;

// Interface exported by Agent
service OpenConfigTelemetry {
    // Request an inline subscription for data at the specified path
    // The device should send telemetry data back on the same
    // connection as the subscription request.
    rpc telemetrySubscribe(SubscriptionRequest)

    // Terminates and removes an existing telemetry subscription
    rpc cancelTelemetrySubscription(CancelSubscriptionRequest)

    // Get the list of current telemetry subscriptions from the
    // target. This command returns a list of existing subscriptions
    // not including those that are established via configuration.
    rpc getTelemetrySubscriptions(GetSubscriptionsRequest)

    // Get Telemetry Agent Operational States
    rpc getTelemetryOperationalState(GetOperationalStateRequest)

    // Return the set of data encodings supported by the device for
    // telemetry data
    rpc getDataEncodings(DataEncodingRequest)
}
```

<https://github.com/nileshsimaria/jtimon/blob/master/telemetry/telemetry.proto>

## Juniper's UDP .proto

```
import "pbj.proto";
import "google/protobuf/descriptor.proto";

extend google.protobuf.FieldOptions {
    optional TelemetryFieldOptions telemetry_options = 1024;
}

message TelemetryFieldOptions {
    optional bool is_key = 1;
    optional bool is_timestamp = 2;
    optional bool is_counter = 3;
    optional bool is_gauge = 4;
}

message TelemetryStream {
    // router name or export IP address
    required string system_id = 1 [(telemetry_options).is_key = true,
                                   (pbj_field_option).type = FT_POINTER];

    // line card / RE (slot number)
    optional uint32 component_id = 2 [(telemetry_options).is_key = true];

    // PFE (if applicable)
    optional uint32 sub_component_id = 3 [(telemetry_options).is_key = true];

    // configured sensor name
    optional string sensor_name = 4 [(telemetry_options).is_key = true,
                                     (pbj_field_option).type = FT_POINTER];
}
```

[https://github.com/nileshsimaria/jmonudp/blob/master/protos/telemetry\\_top/telemetry\\_top.proto](https://github.com/nileshsimaria/jmonudp/blob/master/protos/telemetry_top/telemetry_top.proto)



# GNMI Should Be The Answer. Right?

## Defines the gRPC call


```
service gNMI {  
    // Capabilities allows the client to retrieve the set of capabilities that  
    // is supported by the target. This allows the target to validate the  
    // service version that is implemented and retrieve the set of models that  
    // the target supports. The models can then be specified in subsequent RPCs  
    // to restrict the set of data that is utilized.  
    // Reference: gNMI Specification Section 3.2  
    rpc Capabilities(CapabilityRequest) returns (CapabilityResponse);  
    // Retrieve a snapshot of data from the target. A Get RPC requests that the  
    // target snapshots a subset of the data tree as specified by the paths  
    // included in the message and serializes this to be returned to the  
    // client using the specified encoding.  
    // Reference: gNMI Specification Section 3.3  
    rpc Get(GetRequest) returns (GetResponse);  
    // Set allows the client to modify the state of data on the target. The  
    // paths to modified along with the new values that the client wishes  
    // to set the value to.  
    // Reference: gNMI Specification Section 3.4  
    rpc Set(SetRequest) returns (SetResponse);  
    // Subscribe allows a client to request the target to send it values  
    // of particular paths within the data tree. These values may be streamed  
    // at a particular cadence (STREAM), sent one off on a long-lived channel  
    // (POLL), or sent as a one-off retrieval (ONCE).  
    // Reference: gNMI Specification Section 3.5  
    rpc Subscribe(stream SubscribeRequest) returns (stream SubscribeResponse);  
}
```

<https://github.com/openconfig/gnmi/blob/master/proto/gnmi/gnmi.proto>

## Defines the message

```
message Update {  
    Path path = 1;           // The path (key) for the update.  
    Value value = 2 [deprecated=true]; // The value (value) for the update.  
    TypedValue val = 3;      // The explicitly typed update value.  
    uint32 duplicates = 4;   // Number of coalesced duplicates.  
}  
  
// TypedValue is used to encode a value being sent between the client and  
// target (originated by either entity).  
message TypedValue {  
    // One of the fields within the val oneof is populated with the value  
    // of the update. The type of the value being included in the Update  
    // determines which field should be populated. In the case that the  
    // encoding is a particular form of the base protobuf type, a specific  
    // field is used to store the value (e.g., json_val).  
    oneof value {  
        string string_val = 1; // String value.  
        int64 int_val = 2;     // Integer value.  
        uint64 uint_val = 3;   // Unsigned integer value.  
        bool bool_val = 4;     // Bool value.  
        bytes bytes_val = 5;    // Arbitrary byte sequence value.  
        float float_val = 6;    // Floating point value.  
        Decimal64 decimal_val = 7; // Decimal64 encoded value.  
        ScalarArray leaflist_val = 8; // Mixed type scalar array value.  
        google.protobuf.Any any_val = 9; // protobuf.Any encoded bytes.  
        bytes json_val = 10;     // JSON-encoded text.  
        bytes json_ietf_val = 11; // JSON-encoded text per RFC7951.  
        string ascii_val = 12;   // Arbitrary ASCII text.
```

What to  
select here?



<https://github.com/openconfig/gnmi/blob/master/proto/gnmi/gnmi.proto#L90-L119>

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# How Can a Router Send Its Data Out?



**gRPC**



**TCP**



**UDP**

# gRPC Comes With an Overhead...

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000000	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	74	64652 → 57500 [SYN, Seq=0 Win=...
2	0.000093450	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	74	57500 → 64652 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0...
3	0.000514962	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	66	64652 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=...
4	0.000603066	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	90	Magic
5	0.000628645	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64652 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=...
6	0.000639815	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	75	SETTINGS
7	0.000652105	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64652 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=...
8	0.000660746	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	79	WINDOW_UPDATE
9	0.000670352	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64652 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=...
10	0.000686445	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	152	HEADERS
11	0.000694705	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64652 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=...
12	0.000810032	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	75	SETTINGS
13	0.000839324	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	79	WINDOW_UPDATE
14	0.001087631	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	66	64652 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=133 Ac...
15	0.001118306	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	75	SETTINGS
16	0.001134535	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	66	64652 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=133 Ac...
17	0.001409008	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	75	SETTINGS
18	0.011716945	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	259	DATA
19	0.011798380	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64652 [ACK] Seq=32 Ack=...
20	24.000822908	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	66	64652 → 57500 [FIN, ACK] Seq=3...
21	24.001077163	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64652 [FIN, ACK] Seq=3...
22	24.001617408	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	66	64652 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=336 Ac...

0040	62 41 00 00 b8 00 00 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 00 b3	bA..... .....
0050	08 ff 05 12 ad 01 0a 0b 4e 43 53 35 35 30 31 5f	..... NCS5501
0060	74 6f 70 1a 04 74 65 73 74 32 2e 43 69 73 63 6f	top..tes t2.Cisco
0070	2d 49 4f 53 2d 58 52 2d 73 68 65 6c 6c 75 74 69	-IOS-XR- shelluti
0080	6c 2d 6f 70 65 72 3a 73 79 73 74 65 6d 2d 74 69	l-oper:s ystem-ti
0090	6d 65 2f 75 70 74 69 6d 65 3a 0a 32 30 31 35 2d	me/uptim e:.2015-

Magic number to start HTTP2 phase

Settings from the router

Window size from the router

HTTP2 details

Window size/settings from the collector

Settings confirmations

**Negotiation happens before the data is streamed**

# ...But Brings Some Good Benefits

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
4...	16.020449012	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	79	WINDOW_UPDATE
4...	16.020453129	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	16459	DATA
4...	16.020465328	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	79	WINDOW_UPDATE
4...	16.020469649	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	16459	DATA
4...	16.020476567	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	1514	64969 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=768790 Ack=534 W...
4...	16.020620532	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64969 [ACK] Seq=534 Ack=770238 W...
4...	16.021387959	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	66	64945 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=1179628 Ack=612 ...
4...	16.021406127	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	4410	64969 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=770238 Ack=534 W...
4...	16.021410692	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	16459	DATA
4...	16.021412266	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64969 [ACK] Seq=534 Ack=774582 W...
4...	16.021419367	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	10293	DATA
4...	16.021421080	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	527	DATA
4...	16.021424808	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	237	DATA
4...	16.021430133	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	679	DATA
4...	16.021472771	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	79	WINDOW_UPDATE
4...	16.021480055	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	1048	DATA
4...	16.021509967	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	676	DATA
4...	16.021513831	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64945 [ACK] Seq=612 Ack=1198248 ...
4...	16.021583417	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	670	DATA
4...	16.021604650	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	57500 → 64945 [ACK] Seq=612 Ack=1199462 ...
4...	16.021708748	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	79	WINDOW_UPDATE
4...	16.021836970	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	1514	64969 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=784809 Ack=547 W...
4...	16.021871368	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	1223	DATA

Speed Control  
(from the  
collector side)

## Flags: 0x00

0... .. = Reserved: 0x0  
.000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0001 = Stream Identifier: 1  
0... .. = Reserved: 0x0  
.000 0000 0000 0000 0110 1001 1110 0101 = Window Size Increment: 27109

# TCP And UDP Are Simple

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Leng	Info
1	0.000000000	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	62	18577 → 5432 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=16384 Len=0 MSS=1460 ...
2	0.0000000863	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	62	5432 → 18577 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=29200 Len=...
3	0.000696242	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	60	18577 → 5432 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=16384 Len=0
4	0.010749238	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	239	18577 → 5432 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=16384 Len=...
5	0.010788711	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	54	5432 → 18577 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=186 Win=30336 Len=0
6	9.072228347	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	60	18577 → 5432 [FIN, ACK] Seq=186 Ack=1 Win=16384 Le...
7	9.072517389	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	54	5432 → 18577 [FIN, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=187 Win=30336 Le...
8	9.073190068	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	60	18577 → 5432 [ACK] Seq=187 Ack=2 Win=16384 Len=0

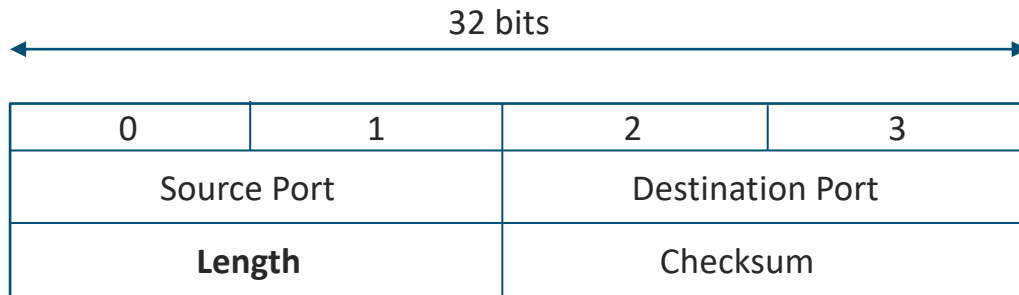
0030	40 00 b7 e4 00 00	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00 00 00	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00 00 00
0040	00 ad 0a 0b 4e 43	53 35 35 30 31 5f 74 6f 70 1a	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00 00 00
0050	04 74 65 73 74 32 2e 43	69 73 63 6f 2d 49 4f 53	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00 00 00
0060	2d 58 52 2d 73 68 65 6c	6c 75 74 69 6c 2d 6f 70	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00 00 00
0070	65 72 3a 73 79 73 74 65	6d 2d 74 69 6d 65 2f 75	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00 00 00
0080	70 74 69 6d 65 3a 0a 32	30 31 35 2d 30 31 2d 30	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00 00 00
0090	37 40 b5 a8 cd 09 48 ff	83 80 cb a9 2c 50 ff 83	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00 00 00

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Leng	Info
1	0.000000000	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	UDP	227	26539 → 18765 Len=165

0020	6e 28 67 ab 49 4d 00 c1	1a 66 00 01 00 01 00 01	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00
0030	00 00 00 00 00 ad	0a 0b 4e 43 53 35 35 30 31 5f	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00
0040	74 6f 70 1a 04 74 65 73	74 32 2e 43 69 73 63 6f	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00
0050	2d 49 4f 53 2d 58 52 2d	73 68 65 6c 6c 75 74 69	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00
0060	6c 2d 6f 70 65 72 3a 73	79 73 74 65 6d 2d 74 69	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00
0070	6d 65 2f 75 70 74 69 6d	65 3a 0a 32 30 31 35 2d	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00
0080	30 31 2d 30 37 40 f8 ea	cd 09 48 d8 f3 ac cb a9	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00
0090	2c 50 d8 f3 ac cb a9 2c	5a 42 08 df f3 ac cb a9	00 01 00 01 00 01 00 00

Good to know if there is any additional header inside

# UDP Is Fast, But...



Max datagram length is:

$$2^{16} - 20 \text{ (IPH)} - 8 \text{ (UDPH)} = \mathbf{65,507} \text{ bytes}$$

Sep 19 01:35:01.452 m2m/mdt/backend-timer 0/RP0/CPU0 t15234 45924 [mdtbk\_bte\_encode\_cb]: sub\_id 5,  
/oper/optics/if/\*/optics\_info, **len 77580: mdt\_send\_encoded\_data returned error**



## To Encrypt or Not To Encrypt?

## gRPC Dial-in (NO-TLS)

## Password exchange

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
10	0.001450562	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	79	WINDOW_UPDATE
11	0.001457901	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	43738 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=47 Ack=23 Win=29...
12	0.001478540	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	75	SETTINGS
13	0.001485483	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	43738 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=47 Ack=32 Win=29...
14	0.001518612	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	75	SETTINGS
15	0.00129069	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	228	HEADERS, DATA
16	0.00172411	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	HTTP2	75	DATA
17	0.001793921	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	66	57500 → 43738 [ACK] Seq=32 Ack=227 Win=4...
18	0.015906700	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	HTTP2	281	HEADERS, DATA
19	0.058994693	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	43738 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=227 Ack=247 Win=...

```

Header Block Fragment: 838644ae6326addf9b7079496a41a3a0ba0750e61c66a0c9...
[Header Length: 267]
[Header Count: 9]
  Header: :method: POST
  Header: scheme: http
  Header: :path: /IOSXRExtensibleManagabilityService.gRPCConfigOper/Createsubs
  Header: :authority: 10.30.110.41
  Header: content-type: application/grpc
  Header: user-agent: grpc-go/1.0
  Header: :status: 200
  Header: password: cisco
  Header: username: cisco
  Padding: <MISSING>
  Stream: DATA, Stream ID: 1, Length 23
  Length: 23
  
```

### Message content

```
&=LMed.....
.NCS5501_top..test2.Cisco-IOS-XR-shellutil-oper:system-time/uptime:
2015-01-07@...
H.....P.....ZB.....z...keysz1..contentz...hostname*.NCS5501_topz
..uptime8.....h.....
```

## gRPC Dial-in (TLS)

## Password exchange

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000000	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	74	45522 → 57500 [SYN] Seq=0 Win=29200 Len=0
2	0.000934147	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	74	57500 → 45522 [SYN, ACK] Seq=0 Ack=1 Win=0
3	0.000984292	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	45522 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Len=2931
4	0.001179816	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	239	45522 → 57500 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1 Ack=1 Win=0
5	0.001550141	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	66	45522 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=1 Ack=174 Len=45
6	0.001595306	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	128	57500 → 45522 [PSH, ACK] Seq=174 Ack=174 Len=45
7	0.001608075	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	45522 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=174 Ack=64 Win=2
8	0.001668298	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	1158	57500 → 45522 [PSH, ACK] Seq=64 Ack=174 Len=45
9	0.001682563	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	45522 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=174 Ack=156 Win=0
10	0.001751519	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	104	57500 → 45522 [PSH, ACK] Seq=156 Ack=174 Len=45
11	0.007587567	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	45522 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=174 Ack=1494 Win=0
12	0.007602303	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	75	57500 → 45522 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1494 Ack=17
13	0.007614496	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	45522 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=174 Ack=1503 Win=0
14	0.034926133	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	192	45522 → 57500 [PSH, ACK] Seq=174 Ack=150
15	0.035955380	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	12	57500 → 45522 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1503 Ack=30
16	0.035886582	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	11	57500 → 45522 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1509 Ack=30
17	0.035892100	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	104	57500 → 45522 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1554 Ack=30
18	0.035896005	10.30.110.41	10.30.110.40	TCP	108	57500 → 45522 [PSH, ACK] Seq=1592 Ack=30
19	0.035959309	10.30.110.40	10.30.110.41	TCP	66	45522 → 57500 [ACK] Seq=300 Ack=1634 Win=0

▶ Frame 21: 146 bytes on wire (1168 bits), 146 bytes captured (1168 bits) on interface 0  
 ▶ Ethernet II, Src: Vmware a:f:20:2a (00:50:56:a:f:20:2a), Dst: Cisco ba:a9:ae (00:0c:6c:ba:a9:ae)  
 ▶ Protocol: TCP (0x00000000) Seq=10500150:105010000 Len=10500150:105010000  
 ▶ Transmission Control Protocol

### Message content

```

[.R.e!.,UY.,-1 Z.53].....OM4.....A."v.60./[.@.E.Z..4..L.G..h.7.....
[...Rz."k.F.....u.....V.-v.[.4P].Z+.....
0TR.....k.FBPpT7.Yk8.....F.BA.e.....#.d..i.....M..4..^..3..m.....QM.P..>.....
0.T.....ag[.K.....F.CY'.....[.....M.....I).....].y.I.....
[.....=+.....y".....
[.....%.....q.....s.J.....G..b..z.PC;.....0.....Wf+a.....f).....].91.....
(-).....!.....R..d.....f.....s.....3".Z..$.Q..%.....]z..oA.....
S.....!.....q..z.[U..Y..f..BY.....c.....h.q..4.....
9".....!S.....[.....<.....#..a.....W..B.....e..b.....1H.....[.0.lgl.d.....
0".....P..X.....PC.....1.....5..c].....l..4.....vx..0.S.....W.oa.....b.....I'b.....:6.....
5.b..S".....l.....[.....f.....o.....w..y.....R.....a)WE.....S].....%.....*.....F.....
9.....u....."K..j7K.....A%..h.T.x.....t.XF.....k..T.....SB&t.....AS..0.....
.....0.....>.D3V.9[.....:9..R.j.Z.k."..WMB.....!.....xL=..Y.P.<.[Za.....
.....>.....f'.....

```



# Which Encoding To Use?

## GPB

Message length: 330 bytes

```
08 f4 06 12 ca 02 0a 0b 4e 43 53 35 35 30 31 5f ..... NCS5501_
74 f6 70 1a 04 74 65 73 74 32 5c 43 69 73 63 6f top..tes t2\Cisco
2d 49 4f 53 2d 58 52 2d 69 6e 66 72 61 2d 73 74 -IOS-XR- infra-st
61 74 73 64 2d 6f 70 65 72 3a 69 6e 66 72 61 2d atsd-oper r:infra-
73 74 61 74 69 73 74 69 63 73 2f 69 6e 74 65 72 statisti cs/inter
66 61 63 65 73 2f 69 6e 74 65 72 66 61 63 65 2f faces/in terface/
6c 61 74 65 73 74 2f 67 65 6e 65 72 69 63 2d 63 latest/g eneric-c
6f 75 6e 74 65 72 73 3a 0a 32 30 31 35 2d 31 31 ounters: .2015-11
2d 30 39 40 b8 88 0d 09 48 b8 9a 9b da a9 2c 50 -09@.... H.....,P
b8 9a 9b da a9 2c 68 be 9a 9b da a9 2c 62 b0 01 .....h. ....,b..
0a ad 01 08 bd 9a 9b da a9 2c 52 14 0a 12 48 75 ..... ,R...Hu
6e 64 72 65 64 47 69 67 45 30 2f 30 2f 31 2f 30 ndredGig E0/0/1/0
5a 8d 01 90 03 f1 8f df 17 98 03 95 e5 a8 eb b4 .....
01 a0 03 f2 a0 c0 b9 b0 07 a8 03 8f f0 ed e8 fc .....
e1 39 b0 03 a7 94 e6 03 b8 03 04 c0 03 df 8b eb .....
03 c8 03 05 d0 03 00 d8 03 00 e0 03 00 e8 03 00 .....
f0 03 00 f8 03 00 04 00 88 04 00 90 04 00 90 98 .....
04 00 a0 04 00 a8 04 00 04 00 e0 04 00 e8 04 00 .....
00 c8 04 00 d8 04 00 d8 04 00 e0 04 00 e8 04 00 .....
f0 04 00 f8 04 05 00 05 00 88 05 ab fd 9d d6 05 .....
90 05 00 98 05 f2 ad c6 d3 05 a0 05 00 a8 05 00 .....
```

## KV-GPB

Message length: 1142 bytes

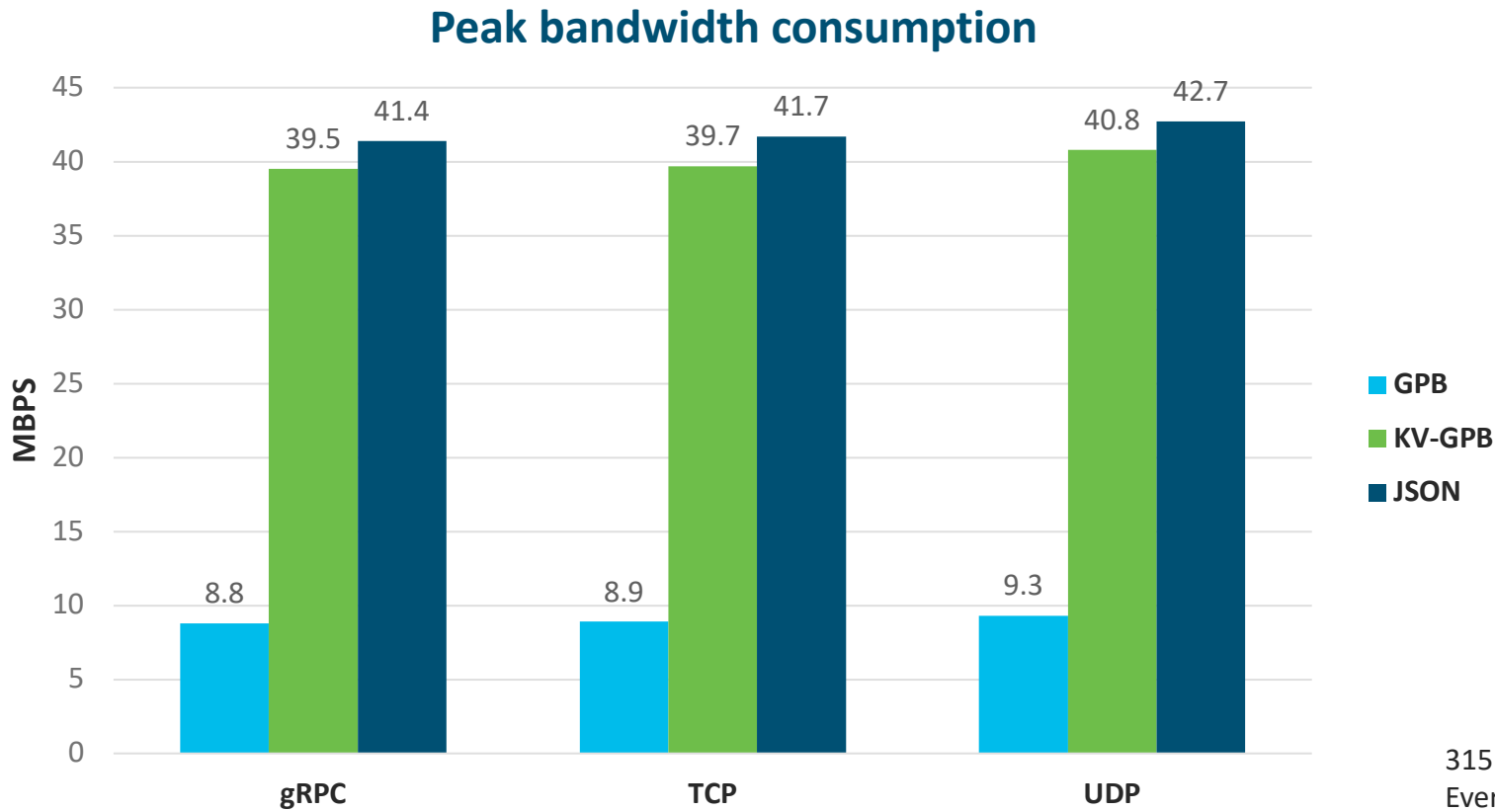
```
08 f5 06 12 f6 08 0a 0b 4e 43 53 35 35 30 31 5f ..... NCS5501_
74 f6 70 1a 04 74 65 73 74 32 5c 43 69 73 63 6f top..tes t2\Cisco
2d 49 4f 53 2d 58 52 2d 69 6e 66 72 61 2d 73 74 -IOS-XR- infra-st
61 74 73 64 2d 6f 70 65 72 3a 69 6e 66 72 61 2d atsd-oper r:infra-
73 74 61 74 69 73 74 69 63 73 2f 69 6e 74 65 72 statisti cs/inter
66 61 63 65 73 2f 69 6e 74 65 72 66 61 63 65 2f faces/in terface/
6c 61 74 65 73 74 2f 67 65 6e 65 72 69 63 2d 63 latest/g eneric-c
6f 75 6e 74 65 72 73 3a 0a 32 30 31 35 2d 31 31 ounters: .2015-11
2d 30 39 40 c6 88 0d 09 48 fe b9 af da a9 2c 50 -09@.... H.....,P
fe b9 af da a9 2c 5a dc 07 08 82 ba af da a9 2c .....Z. ....,
7a 2c 12 04 b6 65 79 73 7a 24 12 0e 69 6e 74 65 z...keys z$...inte
72 66 61 63 65 2d 6e 61 6d 65 2a 12 48 75 6e 64 rf ace-na mes..Hund
72 65 64 47 69 67 65 30 2f 30 2f 31 2f 30 7a a4 redGigE0 /0/1/0z.
07 12 07 63 6f 6e 74 65 6e 74 7a 17 12 00 70 61 ...conte ntz...pa
63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 65 64 40 e0 ckets-re ceived.
93 df 17 7a 17 12 0e 62 79 74 65 73 2d 72 65 63 ...z...b ytes-rec
65 69 76 65 64 40 dc aa c2 e5 be b4 01 7a 15 12 0c eived...z...
61 61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 73 65 6e 74 40 97 a8 c7 packets- sent@...
e7 b0 07 7a 14 12 0a 62 79 74 65 73 2d 73 65 6e ...z...b ytes-sen
74 40 c3 e2 ee b0 e5 e4 39 7a 21 12 1a 6d 75 6c t@..... 9z!..mul
74 69 63 61 73 74 70 2d 61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 ticast-p ackets-r
65 63 65 69 76 65 64 40 df 97 e6 03 7a 1e 12 1a eived@ ....z...
62 72 6f 61 63 63 69 73 74 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 74 broadcas t-packet
73 2d 72 65 64 63 61 76 65 64 40 04 7a 1d 12 16 s-receiv e-ed@z...
6d 75 6c 74 69 63 61 73 74 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 74 multis t a-packet
73 2d 73 65 6e 74 40 62 8f e6 03 7a 1a 12 16 62 s-sente. ....z...b
72 6f 61 64 63 61 73 74 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 74 73 roadcast -packets
2d 73 65 6e 74 40 05 7a 10 12 0c 6f 75 74 70 75 -sent@z...outpu
74 2d 64 72 6f 70 73 38 00 7a 16 12 12 6f 75 74 t-drops8 .z...out
70 75 74 2d 71 75 65 75 65 2d 64 72 6f 70 73 38 put-queue e-drops8
00 7a 0f 12 0b 69 6e 70 75 74 2d 64 72 6f 70 73 .z...inp ut-drops
38 00 7a 15 12 11 69 6e 70 75 74 2d 71 75 65 75 8.z...in put-que
65 2d 64 72 6f 70 73 38 00 7a 19 12 15 72 75 6e e-drops8 .z...run
74 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 t-packet s-receiv
65 64 38 00 7a 1a 12 16 67 69 61 6e 74 2d 70 61 ed8.z... giant-pa
63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 65 64 38 00 ckets-re ceived.
7a 1e 12 1a 74 68 72 6f 74 6c 65 64 2d 70 61 z...thro ttled-pa
63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 65 64 38 00 ckets-re ceived.
7a 1b 12 17 08 61 62 69 74 79 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 .z...pari ty-packe
74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 65 64 38 00 7a 25 12 ts-recei ved8.z%.
21 75 6e 6b 6e 6f 77 6e 2d 70 72 6f 74 6f 63 6f lunknow n-protoco
6c 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 l-packet s-receiv
65 64 38 00 7a 10 12 0c 69 6e 70 75 74 2d 65 72 ed8.z... input-er
72 6f 72 73 38 00 7a 0e 12 0a 63 72 63 2d 65 72 rors8.z...crc-e
72 6f 72 73 38 00 7a 12 12 0e 69 6e 70 75 74 2d rors8.z...input-
6f 76 65 72 72 75 6e 73 38 00 7a 1b 12 17 66 72 overruns 8.z...fr
61 6d 69 6e 67 2d 65 72 72 6f 72 73 2d 72 65 63 amin-g r rors-rec
69 67 65 65 64 38 00 7a 19 12 15 69 6e 70 75 74 eived8.z...input
2d 69 67 6e 6f 72 65 64 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 74 73 -ignore d-packets
38 00 7a 10 12 0c 69 6e 70 75 74 2d 61 62 6f 72 8.z...in put-abor
```

## JSON

Message length: 1325 bytes

```
88 af 00 05 38 00 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 05 33 ....8... .....3
08 f6 06 12 ad 0a 7b 22 6e 6f 64 65 5f 69 64 5f .....{ " node_id
73 74 72 22 3a 22 4e 43 53 35 30 31 5f 74 6f str": "NC S5501_to
70 22 2c 22 73 75 62 73 63 72 69 70 74 69 6f 6e p", "subs cription
5f 69 64 5f 73 74 72 22 3a 22 74 65 73 74 22 2c _id_st": "test",
22 65 6e 63 6f 64 69 6e 67 5f 70 61 74 68 22 3a "encodin g_path":
22 43 69 73 63 6f 2d 49 4f 53 2d 58 52 2d 69 6e "Cisco-I OS-XR-in
66 72 61 2d 73 74 61 74 73 64 2d 6f 70 65 72 3a fra-stat sd-oper:
69 6e 66 72 61 2d 73 74 61 74 69 73 74 69 63 73 infra-st atistics
2f 69 6e 74 65 72 66 61 63 65 73 2f 69 6e 74 65 /interfa ces/inte
72 66 61 63 65 2f 6c 61 74 65 73 74 2f 67 65 6e rface/la test/gen
65 72 69 63 2d 63 6f 75 6e 74 65 72 73 22 2c 22 eric-cou nters", "
63 6f 6c 6c 65 63 74 69 6f 6e 5f 69 64 22 3a 32 collecti on_id":2
30 31 38 36 31 39 32 2c 22 63 6f 6c 6c 65 63 74 0186192, "collect
69 6f 6e 5f 73 74 61 72 74 5f 74 69 6d 65 22 3a ion_star t_time":
31 35 32 33 30 32 34 33 32 35 32 38 33 2c 22 66 15230243 25283,"m
73 6f 5f 74 69 6d 65 73 74 61 63 70 22 3a 31 sq_ times tamp":15
32 33 30 32 34 33 32 35 32 38 39 32 2c 22 64 61 74 23024325 289,"dat
61 5f 6a 73 6f 6e 22 3a 5b 7b 22 74 69 6d 65 73 a_json": [{"times
74 61 6d 70 22 3a 31 35 32 33 30 32 34 33 32 35 tamp":15 23024325
32 38 38 2c 22 6b 65 79 73 22 3a 7b 22 69 6e 74 288,"key s":{"int
65 72 66 61 63 65 2d 6e 61 6d 65 22 3a 22 48 75 erface-n ame": "Hu
6e 64 72 65 64 47 69 67 45 30 2f 30 2f 31 2f 30 ndredGig E0/0/1/0
22 7d 2c 22 63 6f 76 74 65 6e 74 22 3a 7b 22 70 "},"cont ent": "p
61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 65 64 22 ackets-r eceived"
3a 34 39 37 39 34 31 38 36 2c 22 62 79 74 65 73 :4979418 6,"bytes
2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 65 64 22 3a 34 38 35 34 34 -receiv e d":48544
34 32 32 38 30 32 2c 22 70 61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 422802, "packets-
73 65 6e 74 22 3a 32 35 33 37 35 34 38 33 35 33 sent":25 37548353
38 30 2c 22 62 79 74 65 73 2d 73 73 2d 73 65 6e 80,"byte s-sent":
32 35 34 32 38 36 37 31 32 33 39 36 39 32 32 2c 25428671 2396922,
22 6d 75 6c 74 69 63 61 73 74 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 "multica st-packe
74 73 2d 72 65 63 69 69 76 65 64 22 3a 37 39 36 ts-recei ved":796
36 33 34 33 2c 22 62 72 6f 61 64 63 61 73 74 2d 6343,"br oadcast-
70 61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 65 64 packets- receiv ed
22 3a 34 2c 22 6d 75 6c 74 69 63 61 73 74 2d 70 "4,"mul ticast-p
61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 73 65 6e 74 22 3a 37 39 36 acts-s ent":796
35 32 37 36 2c 22 62 72 6f 61 64 63 61 73 74 2d 5276,"br oadcast-
70 61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 73 65 6e 74 22 3a 35 2c packets- sent":5,
22 6f 75 74 70 75 74 2d 64 72 6f 73 73 22 3a 30 "output- drops":0
2c 22 6f 75 74 70 75 74 2d 71 75 65 75 65 2d 64 "output -queue-d
72 6f 70 73 22 3a 30 2c 22 69 6e 70 75 74 2d 64 rps":0, "input-d
72 6f 70 73 22 3a 30 2c 22 69 6e 70 75 74 2d 71 rps":0, "input-q
75 65 75 65 2d 64 72 6f 70 73 22 3a 30 2c 22 72 ueue-dro ps":0,"r
75 6e 74 2d 70 61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 unt-pack ets-rece
69 76 65 64 22 3a 30 2c 22 67 69 61 6e 74 2d 70 ived":0, "giant-p
61 63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 65 69 76 65 64 22 ackets-r eceived"
3a 30 2c 22 74 68 72 6f 74 74 6c 65 64 2d 70 61 "thro ttled-pa
63 6b 65 74 73 2d 72 65 63 69 76 65 64 22 3a 30 ckets-re ceived":
```

# Design Your Transport Network Properly



# Agenda

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2 Closer Look at Router

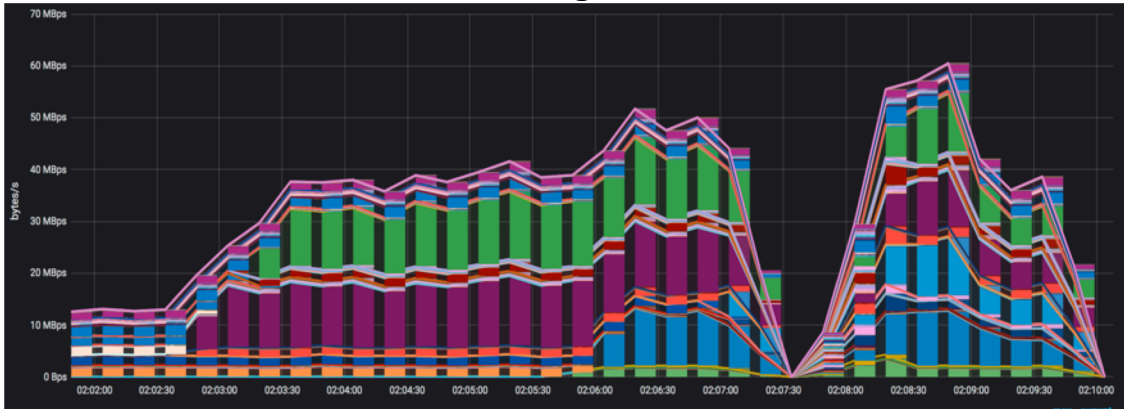
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5 Final Thoughts

# Is Your Collector Fast Enough?

Decoded messages volume



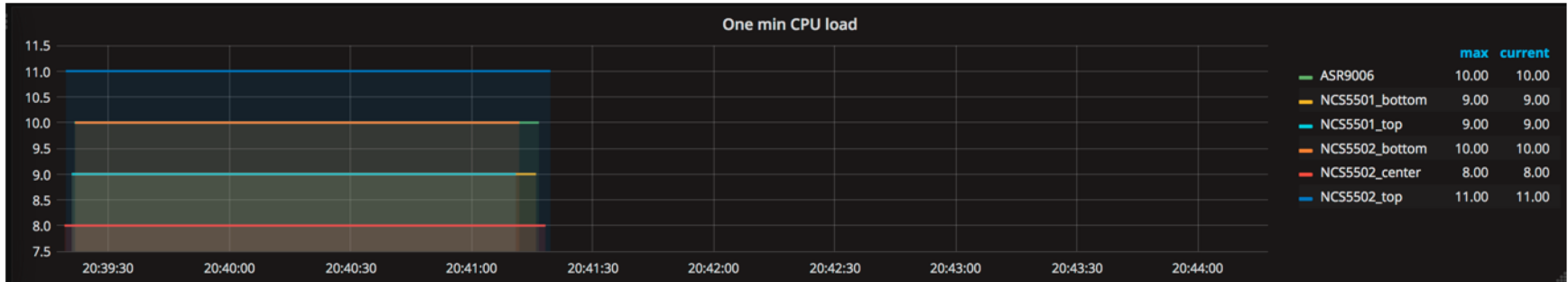
```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:NCSS501_bottom#sh telemetry model destination internal
Wed Apr 11 02:07:19.543 PDT
```

dest Id	Sub	IP	Port	Trans	State	Chan	Buff	Full
des1	subs21	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	398	16	0
des1	subs14	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	401	0	0
des1	subs40	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	431	3	0
des1	subs39	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	440	20	0
des1	subs53	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	435	0	0
des1	subs29	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	436	1	0
des1	subs60	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	386	564	0
des1	subs12	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	409	0	0
des1	subs37	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	415	0	0
des1	subs35	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	421	1	0
des1	subs50	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	433	0	0
des1	subs43	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	426	0	0
des1	subs46	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	429	5	0
des1	subs7	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	390	0	0
des1	subs20	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	407	364	0
des1	subs2	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	399	0	0
des1	subs15	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	403	0	0
des1	subs22	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	410	1733	0
des1	subs34	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	441	21	0
des1	subs44	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	419	0	0
des1	subs33	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	420	0	0
des1	subs32	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	439	21	0
des1	subs5	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	389	0	0
des1	subs17	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	406	40	0
des1	subs0	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	391	0	0
des1	subs11	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	394	0	0
des1	subs47	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	424	0	0
des1	subs27	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	428	0	0
des1	subs6	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	404	185	0
des1	subs30	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	408	0	0
des1	subs48	10.30.110.55	57500	grpc	1	423	0	0
Total:							2974	0

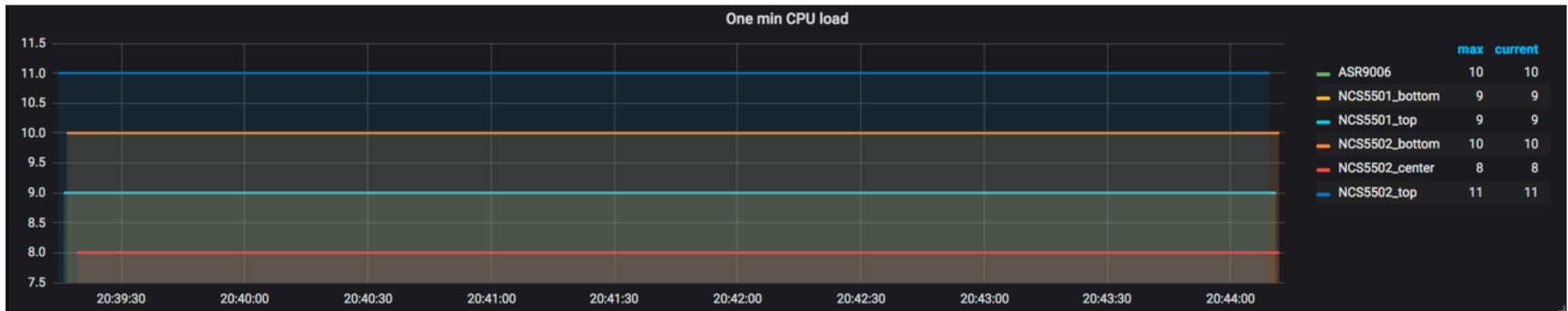
Make sure the collector has enough power to process your telemetry data.

# Is Your Hard Drive Write Speed Fast Enough?

HDD-based server (SAS)



SSD-based server (SAS)



# What To Think About Selecting a TSDB

Metric	InfluxDB	Prometheus	Elasticsearch	OpenTSDB
Website	<a href="https://influxdata.com/">https://influxdata.com/</a>	<a href="https://prometheus.io/">https://prometheus.io/</a>	<a href="https://www.elastic.co/products/elasticsearch">https://www.elastic.co/products/elasticsearch</a>	<a href="http://opentsdb.net">http://opentsdb.net</a>
Category	Real-time Analytics	Monitoring System	Real-time Search	Real-time Analytics
Supported Measurements	metrics, events	metrics	metrics, events	metrics
High Availability (HA)	Double writing 2 servers	Double writing 2 servers	Clustering	Clustering
Underlying Technology	Golang	Golang	Java	Java, Hadoop
Storage Backend	Custom	Custom	Document	Hadoop (Columnar)
Supported Data Types	int64, float64, bool, and string	float64	string, int32, int64, float32, float64, bool, null	int64, float32, float64
Bytes per point after compression	2.2	1.3	22	12
Metric Precision	nano second	milli second	milli second	milli second
Write Performance - Single Node	470k metrics / sec (custom HW)	800k metrics / sec	30k metrics / sec	32k metrics /sec (calculated)
Query Performance (1 host, 12hr by 1m)	3.78 ms (min), 8.17 (avg)	tbd	13.23 ms (min), 28.6 (avg)	tbd
Query Language	InfluxQL (SQL like)	PromQL	Query DSL	lookup only
Community Size	large	large	large	medium
Maturity	Stable	Stable	Stable	stable

Full table: <https://tinyurl.com/jsd4esy>  
 Good to read: <https://tinyurl.com/ybaw4ww6>

InfluxDB vs OpenTSDB: <https://tinyurl.com/y8ofbjyy>  
 InfluxDB vs Cassandra: <https://tinyurl.com/y83vv9ys>  
 DB ranking: <https://tinyurl.com/ya8rrrjp>  
 InfluxDB vs Elasticsearch: <https://tinyurl.com/y7yxjf6v>

# Everything is working, where are my stats?

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:ios-xr# sh clock
```

```
Sun Apr 1 20:56:15.074 PDT  
20:56:15.167 PDT Sun Apr 1 2018
```

```
cisco@ubuntu51-1:~$ date
```

```
Sun Apr 1 23:13:11 PDT 2018
```

```
RP/0/RP0/CPU0:ios-xr#sh tele m subscription if-stats
```

```
Sun Apr 1 20:50:17.883 PDT
```

```
Subscription: if-stats
```

```
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```

```
State: ACTIVE
```

```
DSCP/Qos marked value: Default
```

```
Sensor groups:
```

```
Id: if-stats
```

```
Sample Interval: 5000 ms
```

```
Sensor Path: Cisco-IOS-XR-infra-statsd-oper:infra-  
statistics/interfaces/interface[interface-name='Bundle-Ether*']/latest/generic-counters
```

```
Sensor Path State: Resolved
```

```
Destination Groups:
```

```
Group Id: DGroup1
```

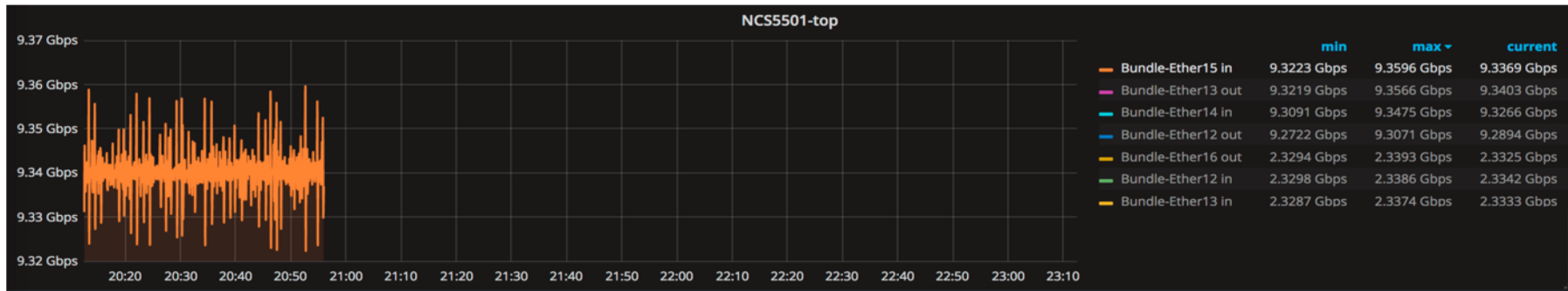
```
Destination IP: 10.30.110.40
```

```
Destination Port: 57500
```

```
Encoding: self-describing-gpb
```

```
Transport: grpc
```

```
State: Active
```

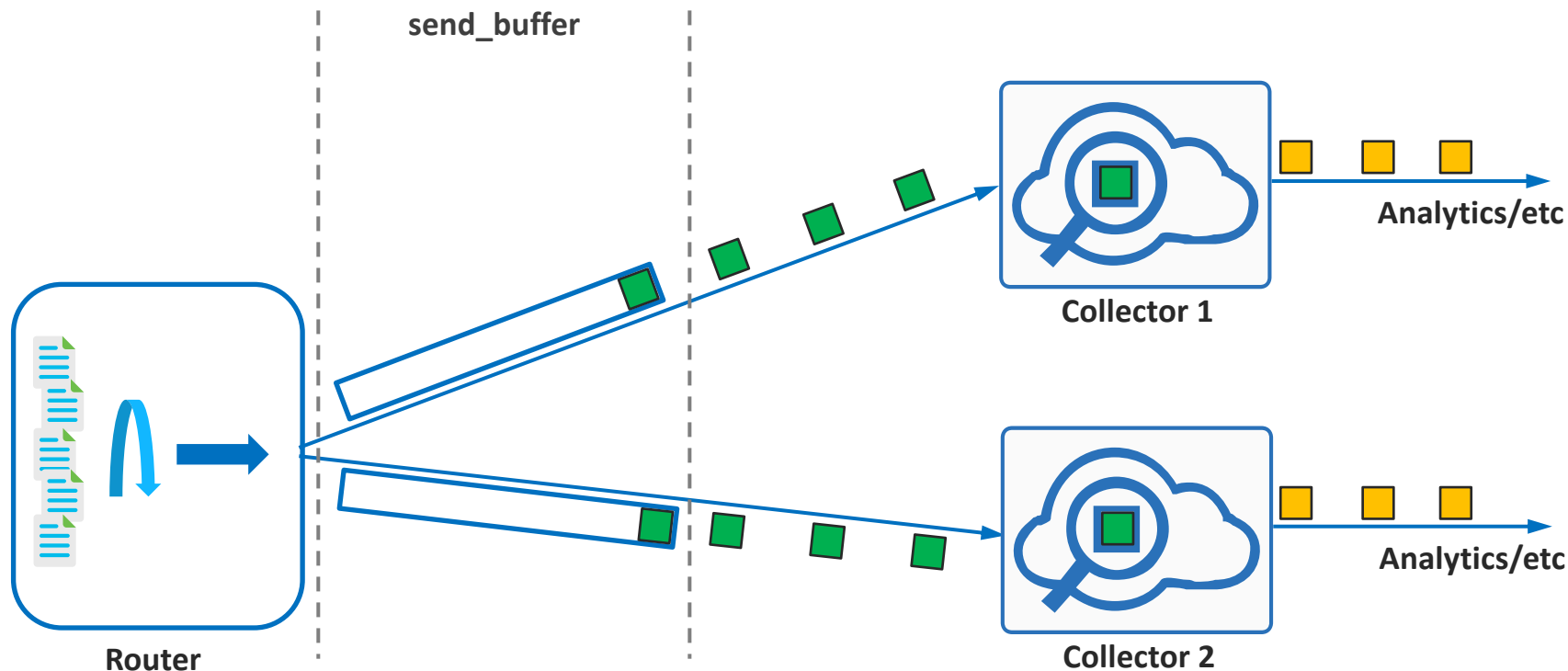


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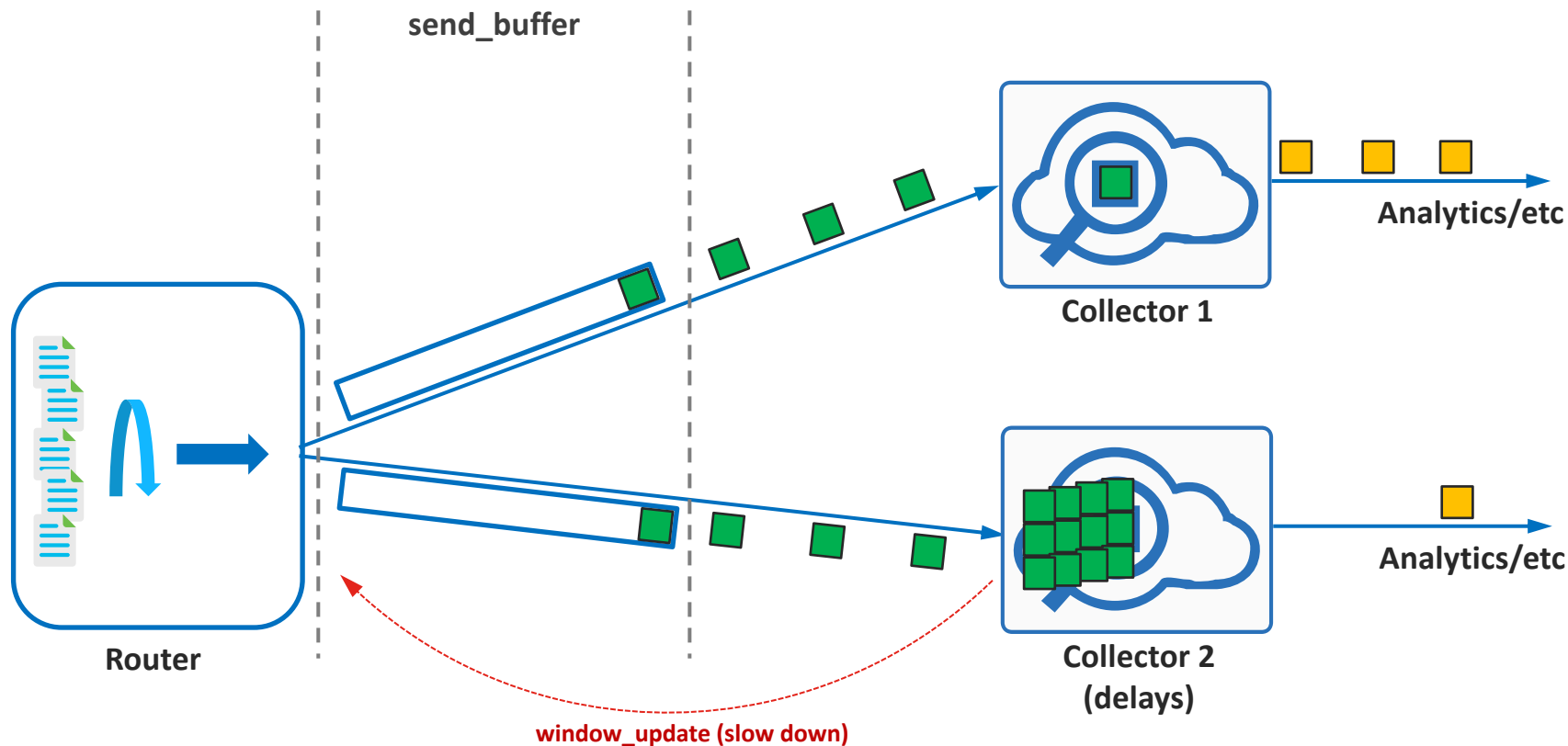
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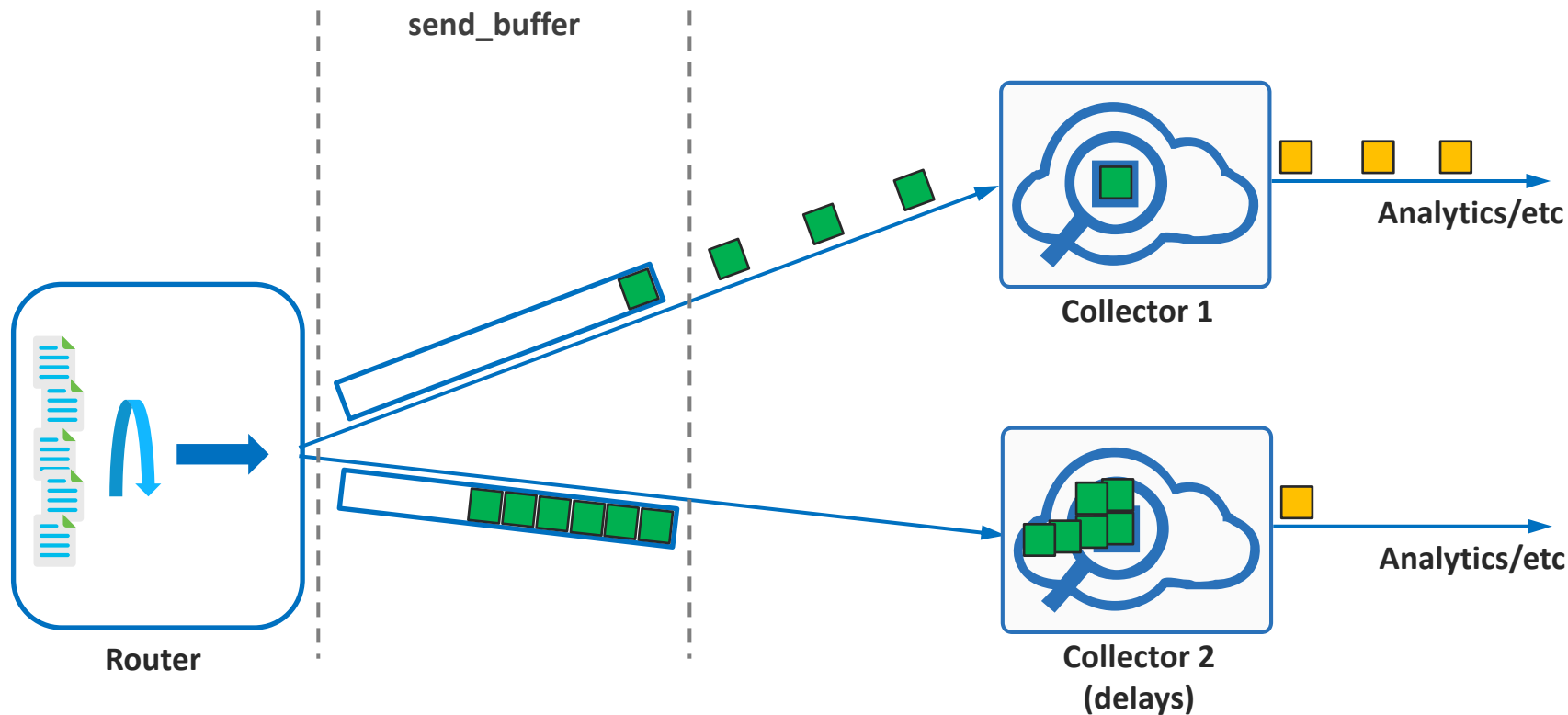
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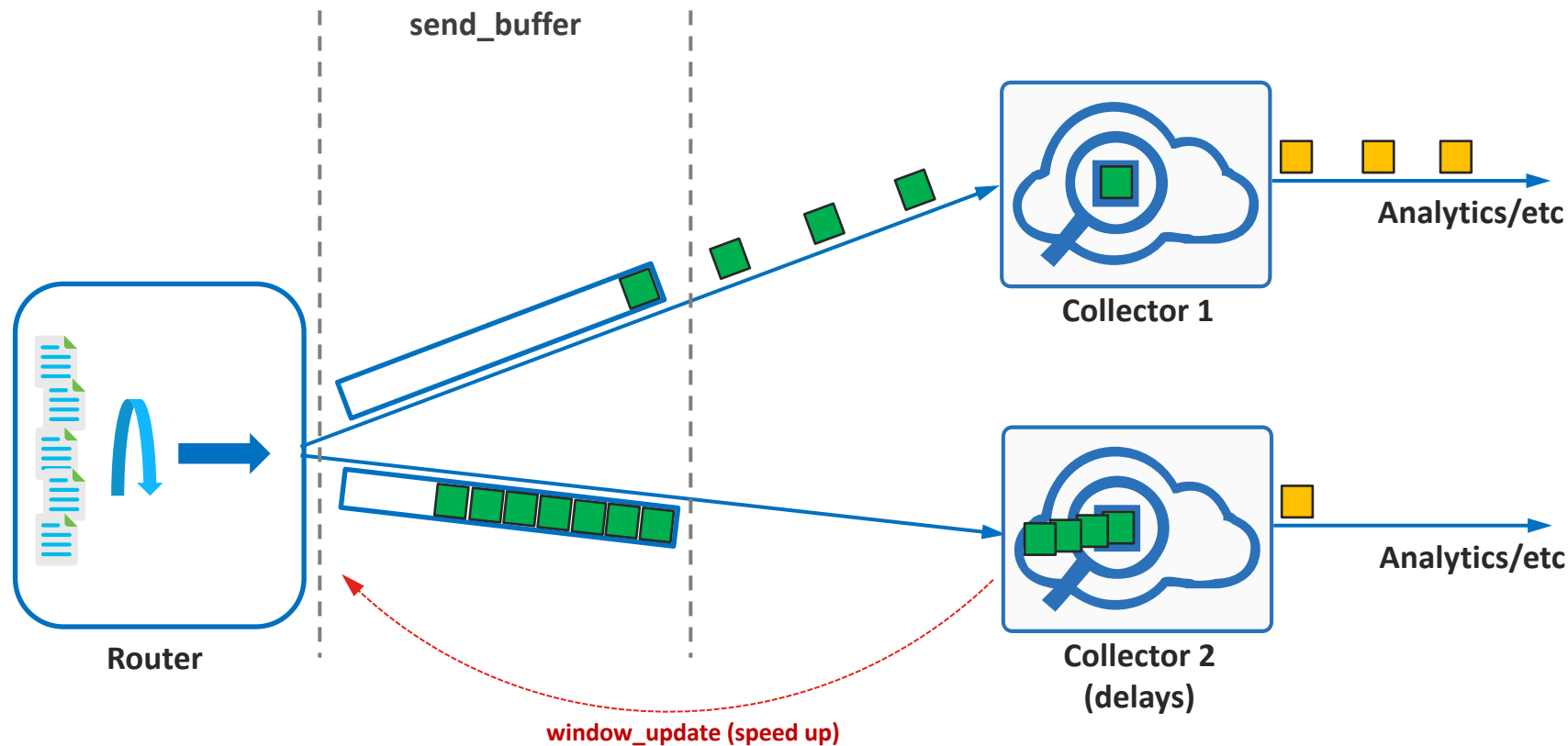
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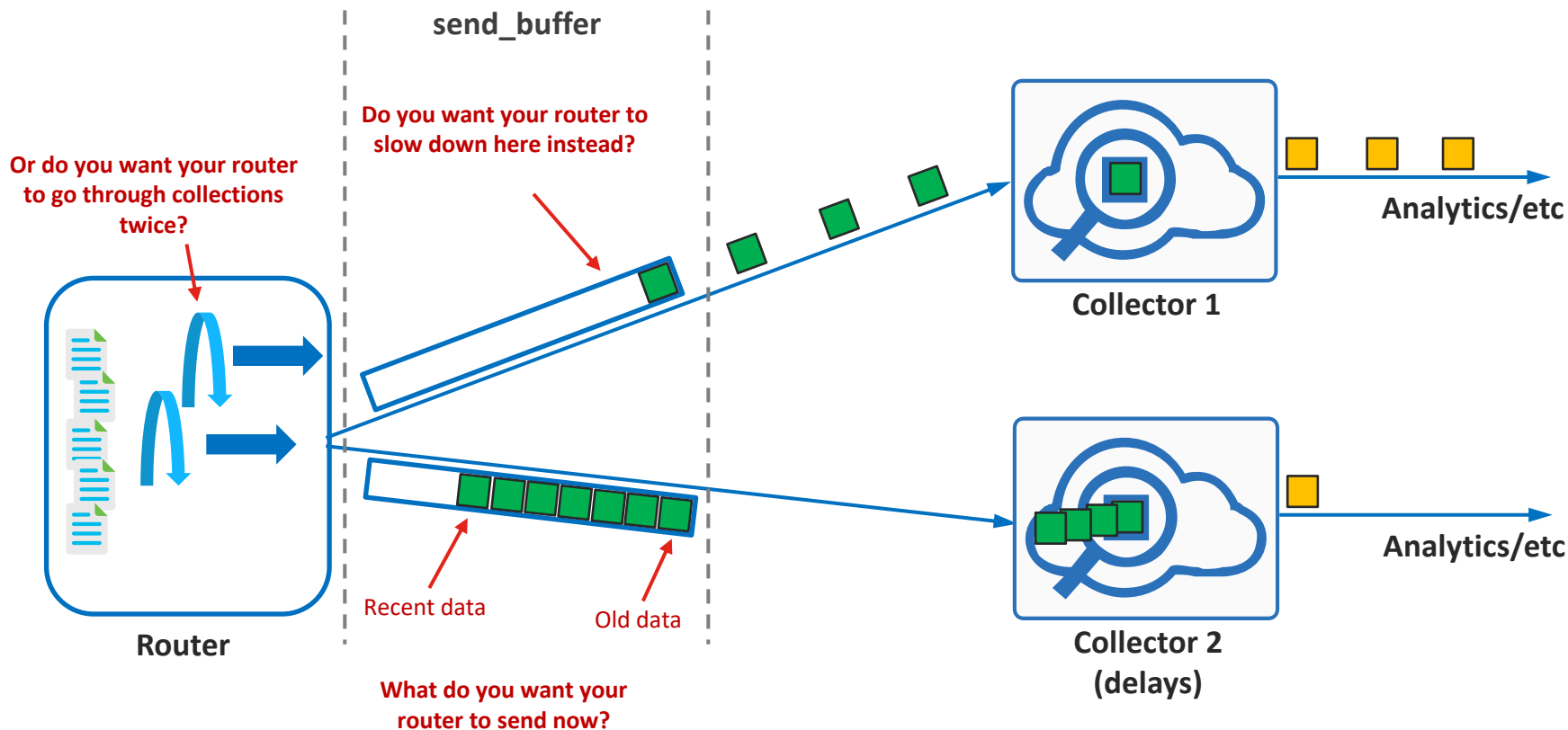
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