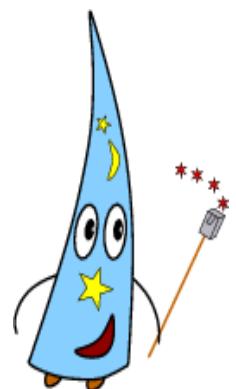


# Managing your network with Netmagis

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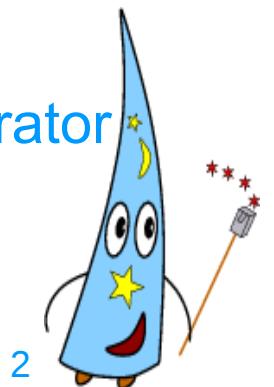
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# What is Netmagis?

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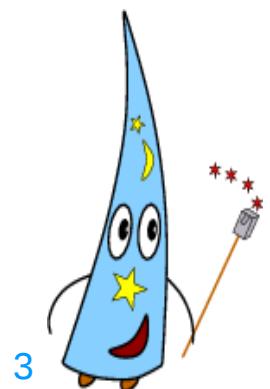
- ▶ Netmagis = NETwork MAnaGement Information System
- ▶ Open Source, BSD license
- ▶ Context: Osiris, a large campus network
  - 1500 network equipments, 400 subnets, 200 contacts
- ▶ Not Osiris-specific
  - A tool for any network, large or small
- ▶ Web application
- ▶ Manages the Network Information System
  - Central repository of all objects managed by the network operator
  - Processes
  - Consistency, exhaustivity, documentation, automation...



# Some functions of Netmagis

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- ▶ Managing hosts: names, IPv4 and IPv6 addresses
  - **Automatic** generation of DNS zones, DHCP configurations...
- ▶ Topology: VLAN, links between equipments
  - **Automatic** generation of network maps
  - Setting a VLAN
  - **Multi-vendor environment** (Cisco, HP, Juniper)
- ▶ Metrology: traffic graphs
  - **Automatic** generation (RRD database, SNMP polling)
- ▶ Mac: locate a host by its IP address
  - Find the MAC address and the interface/equipment
- ▶ **Delegate** all these functions to other people



## Add host or alias

### Add host

Name  .

IP address  TTL  (in seconds)

MAC address  DHCP profile

Host type   Use SMTP

Comment

Responsible (name)

Responsible (mail)

### Search for an IPv4 block

IPv4 network

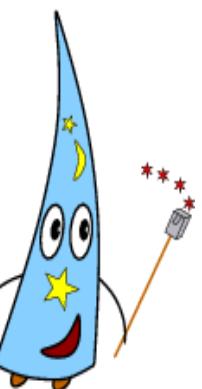
Address count

or

### Add alias

Alias name  .

Host  .



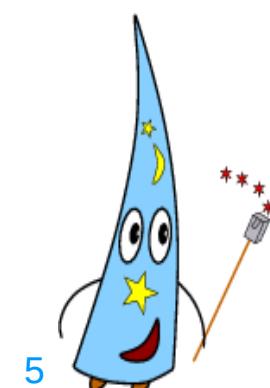
# IPv4 address map

List at 04/02/2012 11:36:25.

[grey]	address not allowed
[green]	available address
[red]	declared address
[orange]	non-declared address within a DHCP range

237 available addresses / 256 total [[Detail](#)]

172.16.1.0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
172.16.1.16	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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# Topology: L2

Enter an equipment

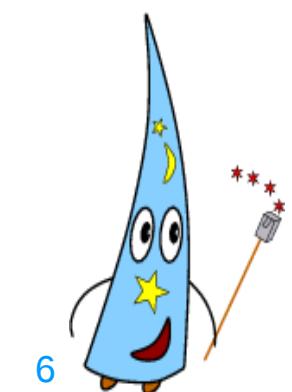
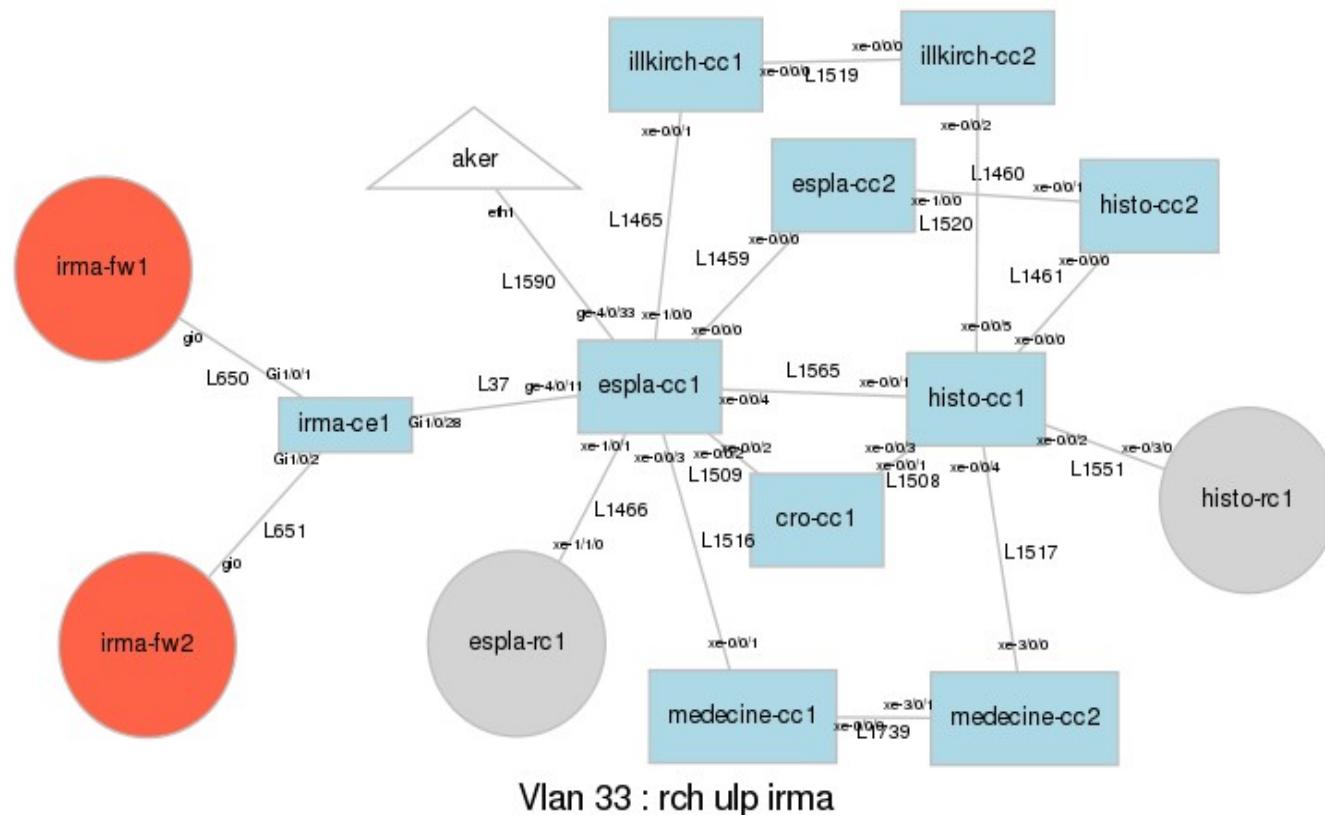
## Display

Enter a VLAN

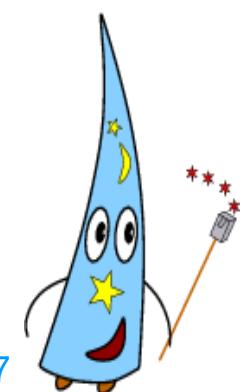
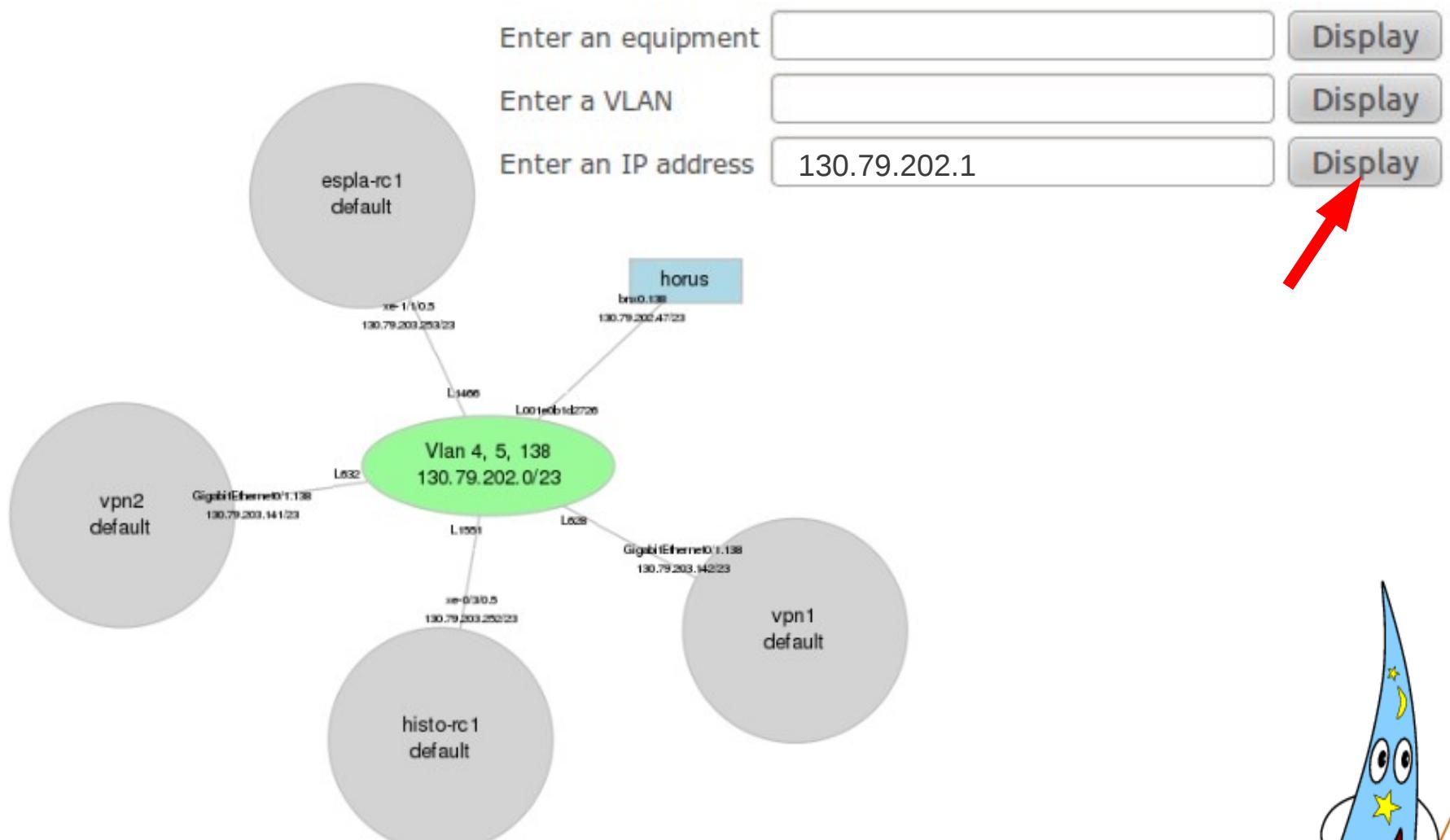
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Enter an IP address

## Display



# Topology: L3



# Topology: network equipments

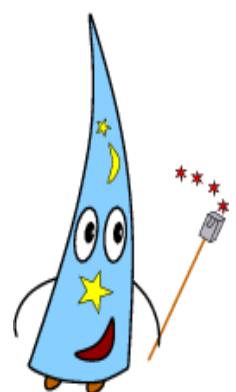
Enter an equipment

Enter a VLAN

Enter an IP address

Equipment cnetmaq cisco WS-C2960-24TT-L [\[Edit interfaces\]](#)

- FastEthernet0/1 Ether [\[Edit\]](#)  
Vlan [2000 \(management vlan\)](#) (native vlan)
- FastEthernet0/2 Ether [\[Edit\]](#)  
Vlan [2000 \(management vlan\)](#) (native vlan)
- FastEthernet0/3 Ether [\[Edit\]](#)  
Vlan [1 \(default\)](#) (native vlan)
- FastEthernet0/4 Ether [\[Edit\]](#)  
Vlan [1 \(default\)](#) (native vlan)
- GigabitEthernet0/1 [\[Trafic\]](#) Trunk L1 to [jnetmaq ge-0/0/0](#)  
Vlan [2000 \(management vlan\)](#)



# Topology: interface modification

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## Edit interface FastEthernet0/4 on cnetmaq

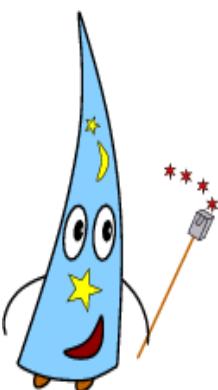
Description

VLAN

Sensors

You can also [edit more than one interfaces](#) simultaneously

- ▶ Works on Cisco, HP and Juniper equipments
- ▶ Can be delegated to other admins



# Topology: traffic on an interface

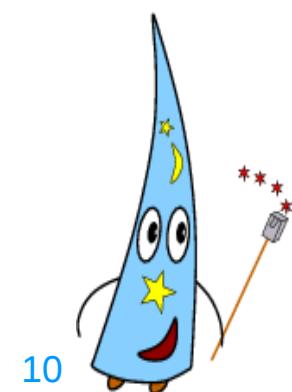
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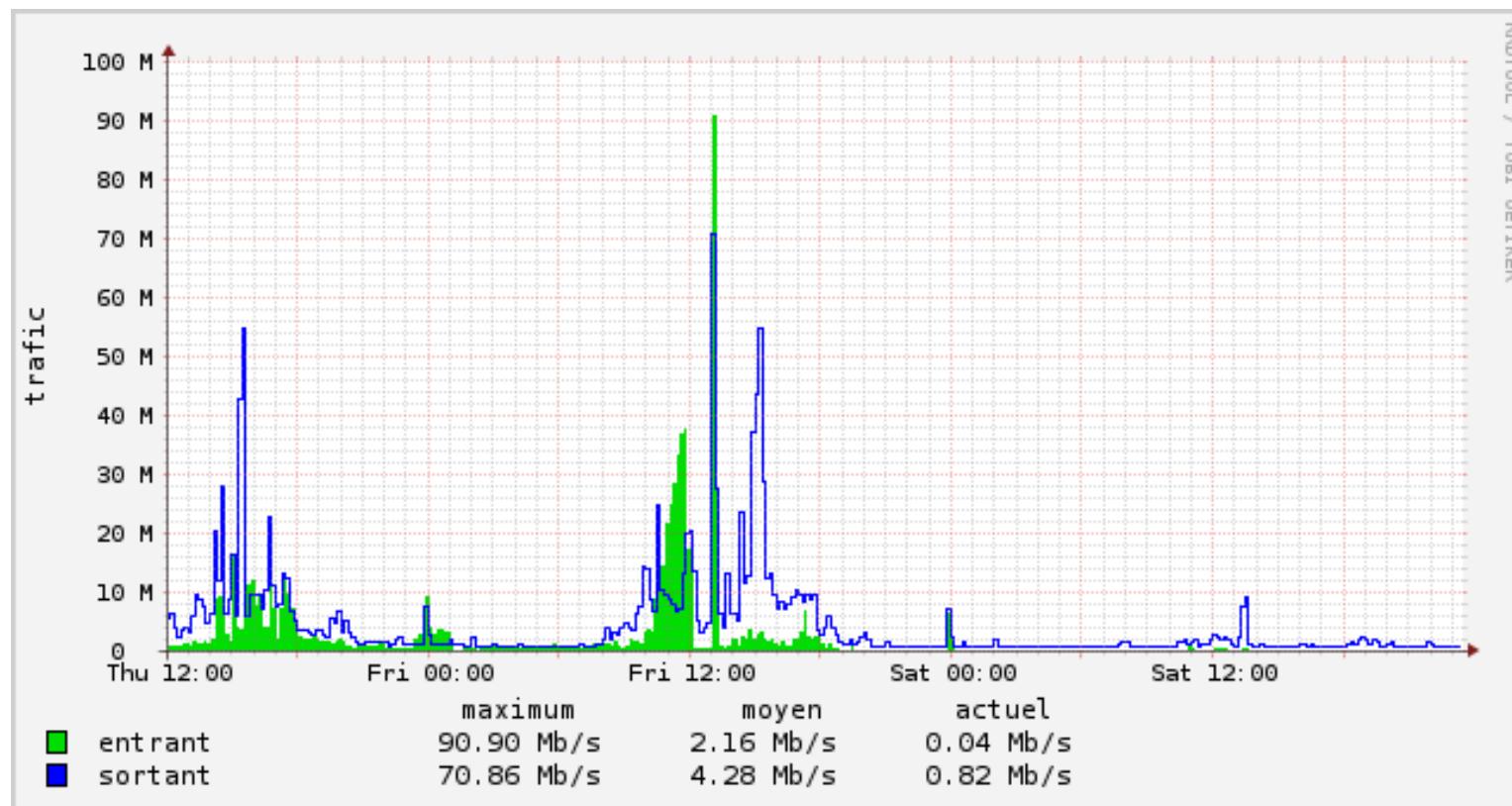


# Topology: traffic on an interface

## Traffic on interface GigabitEthernet0/1 of cnetmaq

Display data between  at  h and  at  h

Traffic on interface GigabitEthernet0/1 of cnetmaq



# MAC: locate an IP address

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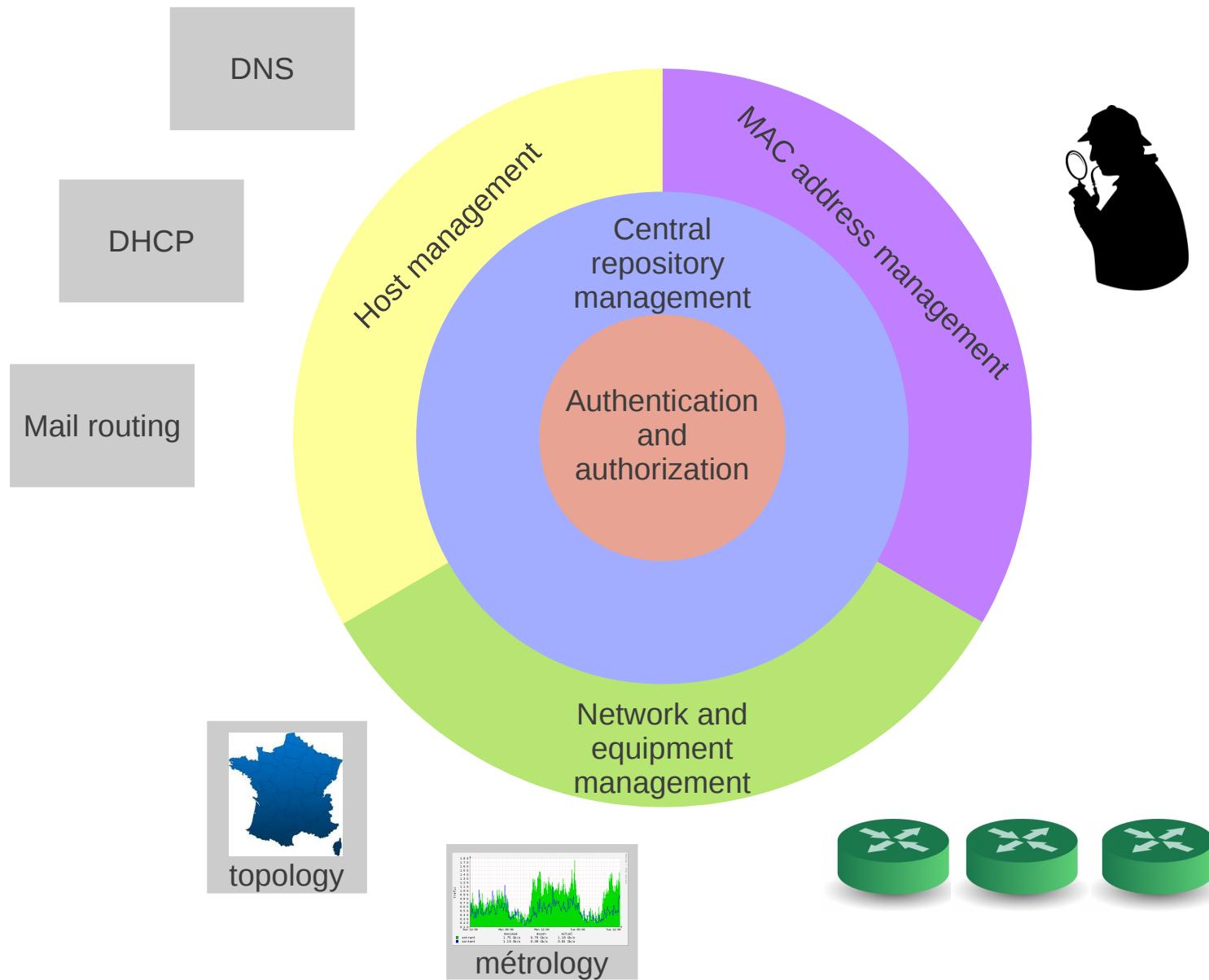
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1 associations IP-MAC trouvées pour 2001:660:4701:2001::1 :

Sessions	Adresse IP	Adresse MAC	Dernière occurrence
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# Functional domains



# Configuration-driven automation

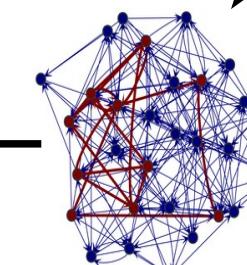
# Network administrator



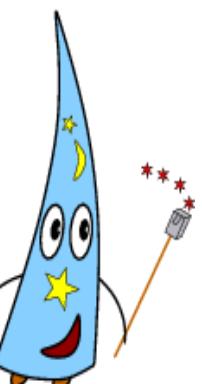
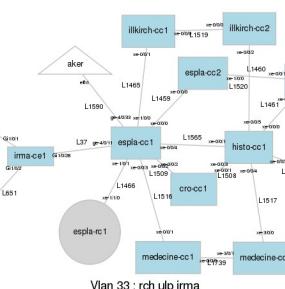
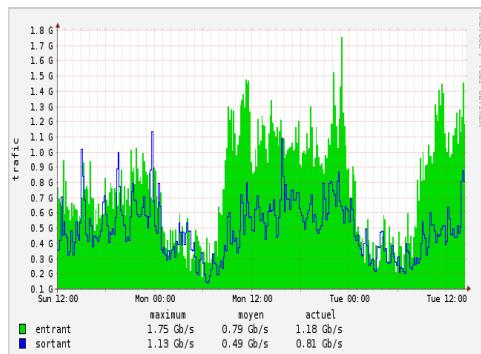
# Configuration modification



# Download



# Model of the network



# Configuration-driven automation

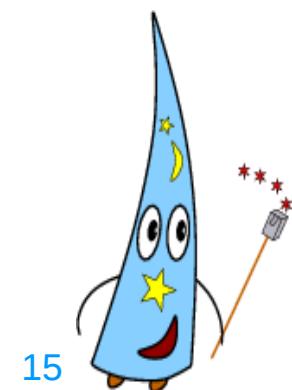
A simple modification in the configuration of a network equipment:

add (link number, sensor number) in the interface description:

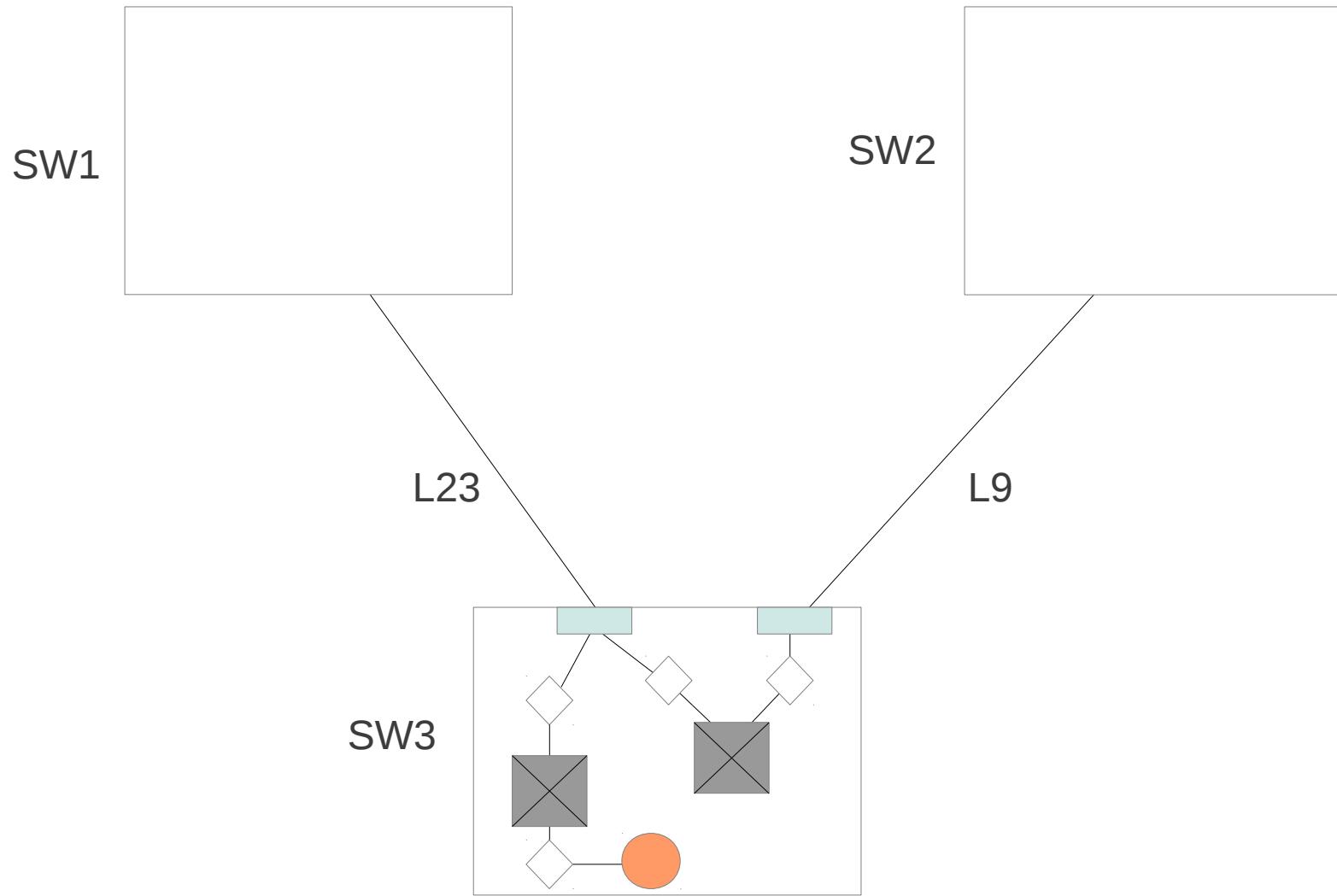


The modification is detected ; it triggers a chain of actions:

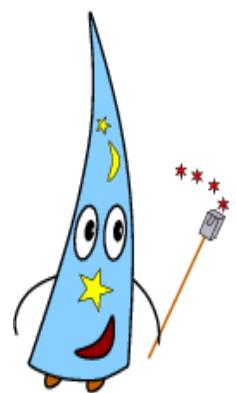
- Analysis of the configuration
- Matching identical link numbers
- Building of a (highly detailed) network model
- Automatic generation of traffic sensors
- SNMP polling and creation of an RRD database



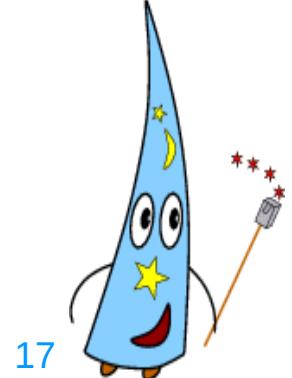
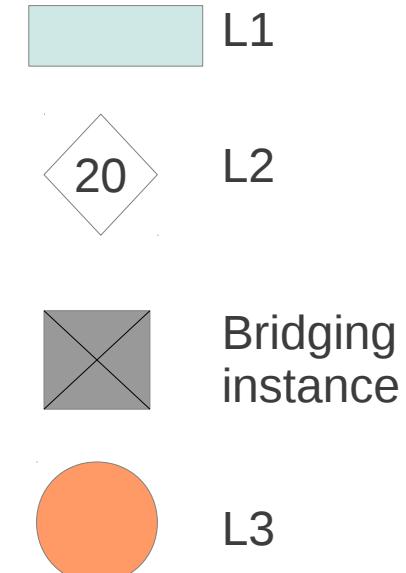
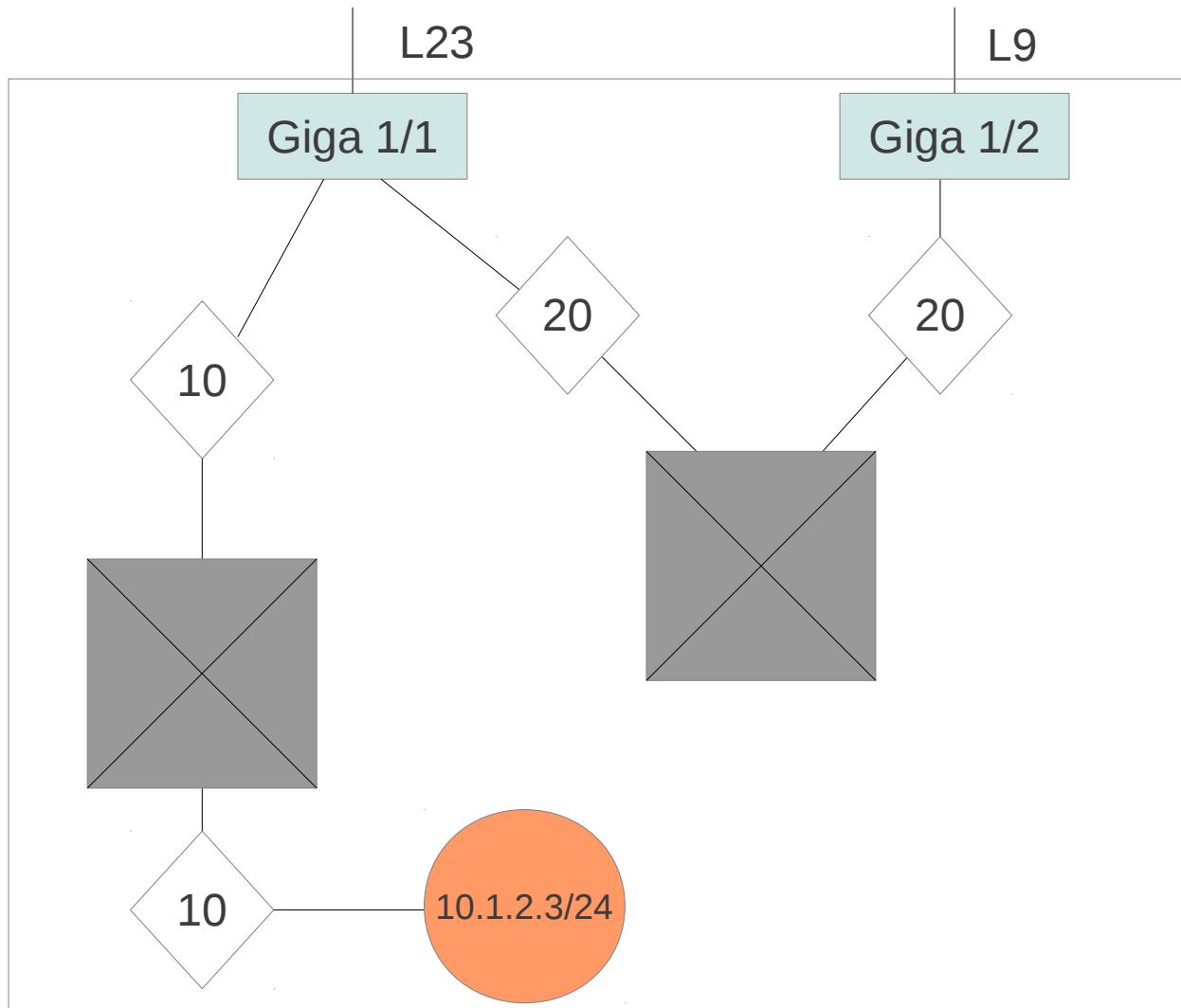
# Network model



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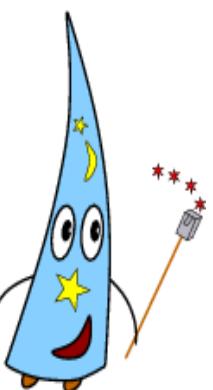
# Network model



# Under the hood

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- ▶ Languages: Tcl, C, Perl
- ▶ Database: PostgreSQL
- ▶ Web Server: any web server implementing CGI
- ▶ Topology: Rancid
- ▶ Metrology: RRDTool
- ▶ Installation
  - FreeBSD port, Debian package (v2.1)
- ▶ VCS: <http://github.com/pdav/netmagis>
- ▶ All contributions are welcome!



# Conclusion

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- ▶ Netmagis evolved over many years
- ▶ Maturity: used in production since 2002
- ▶ Packed with functions
  - Modules were developed following our operational needs
- ▶ Network management is complex
  - Manual handling → inconsistencies and malfunctions
  - Automation is mandatory
  - You need a tool
- ▶ Choose Netmagis ! (and give us feedback!)

**<http://netmagis.org/>**

