Where Bacula meets OpenBSD and friends

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Agenda

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Who we are?

Open Source developers

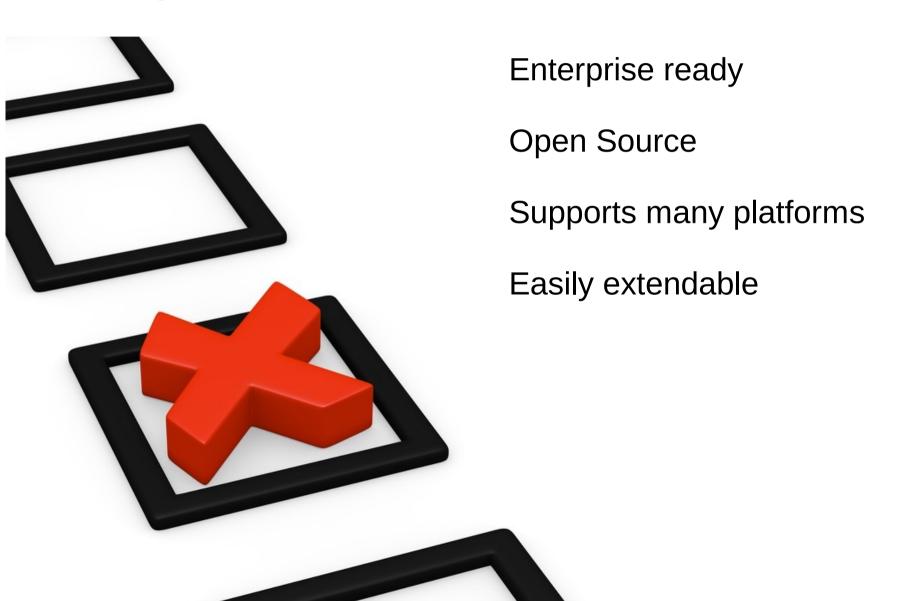
Working at M:tier Ltd.

System development and solution provider

Mostly blue chip customers



Why did we choose Bacula?



OpenBSD

Only two remote holes in the default install in more than 16 years

Open Source Unix like operating system

Secure design of the core system

Used where security matters

POSIX, portability and correctness



Why we use OpenBSD?

M:tier employees are mostly OpenBSD developers

Easy to deploy and install

Good documentation

Reliability. Stable interfaces.

We know it inside out



How we use Bacula on OpenBSD

Backup to Disk

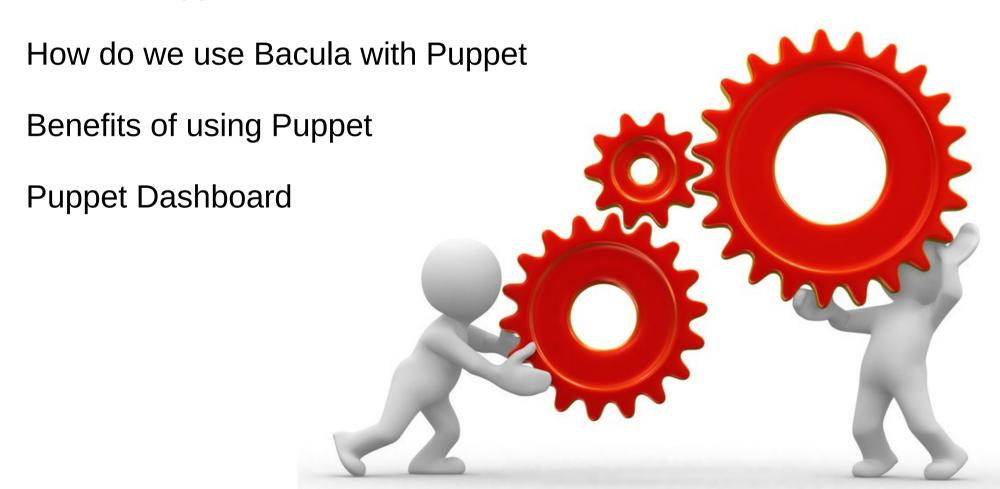
Backup to Tape

Stable for 5 years



Puppet System Management

What is Puppet



Puppet example configuration



Puppet bacula.dir extract #1

```
class bacula dir inherits conf {
    require postgresql
    install_pkg { ['bacula-server--pgsql']: }
    # needed to handle dependencies
    install pkg { ['bacula-server']: }
    file {
         "/etc/bacula/bacula-dir.conf":
             owner => ' bacula',
             group => ' bacula',
             mode => 0640.
             require => Package["bacula-server"],
             content => multi_source_template("/etc/bacula/bacula-dir.conf");
         "/etc/bacula/bacula-dir.conf.local":
             owner => ' bacula'.
             group => ' bacula',
             mode => 0640,
             require => Package["bacula-server"],
             content => multi source template("/etc/bacula/bacula-dir.conf.local");
```

Puppet bacula.dir extract #2

```
if ($::bootstrap) {
         exec {
             "create_bacula_db_user":
                  command => "createuser -U postgres --no-superuser /
                  --createdb --no-createrole bacula",
                  user => "root".
                  path => "/bin:/sbin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/bin",
                  require => Package["bacula-server"];
             "set bacula db user pass":
                  command => "echo \"ALTER USER bacula with PASSWORD
'$bacula_db_pass';\" | psql -U postgres",
                  user => "root".
                  path => "/bin:/sbin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/bin",
                  require => Exec["create bacula db user"];
             "create_bacula_db":
                  command => "/usr/local/libexec/bacula/create_bacula_database /
                  -U bacula".
                  user => "root".
                  path => "/bin:/sbin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/usr/local/bin",
                  require => Exec["set_bacula_db_user_pass"];
```

Puppet bacula.fd extract

```
class bacula_fd inherits conf {
    install_pkg { ['bacula-client']: }
    file {
         "/etc/bacula/bacula-fd.conf":
             owner => ' bacula',
             group => ' bacula',
             mode => 0640.
             require => Package["bacula-client"],
             content => multi source template("/etc/bacula/bacula-fd.conf");
         "/etc/bacula/bconsole.conf":
             owner => ' bacula',
             group => ' bacula',
             mode => 0640.
             require => Package["bacula-client"],
             content => multi source template("/etc/bacula/bconsole.conf.restricted");
```

Puppet bacula.sd extract

```
class bacula_sd inherits conf {
    require bacula_dir
    file {
         "/.b":
             ensure => directory,
             owner => ' bacula-sd',
             group => 'wheel',
             mode => 0700;
         "/etc/bacula/bacula-sd.conf":
             owner => ' bacula',
             group => '_bacula',
             mode => 0640,
             content => multi source template("/etc/bacula/bacula-sd.conf");
         "/etc/bacula/bacula-sd.conf.local":
             owner => ' bacula',
             group => '_bacula',
             mode => 0640.
```

bacula-sd.conf variables

```
Director {
 Name = bacula-dir
 Password = "<%= scope.lookupvar('conf::bacula fd pass') %>"
Director {
 Name = bacula-mon
 Password = "<%= scope.lookupvar('conf::bacula_mon_pass')
%>"
 Monitor = yes
FileDaemon {
 Name = <%= scope.lookupvar('::hostname') %>-fd
 FDport = 9102
 WorkingDirectory = /var/bacula
 Pid Directory = /var/run
 Maximum Concurrent Jobs = 5
```

Deployment and management time



Zabbix monitoring

What is Zabbix

What do we monitor

Auto restart services

ZBX-Mobile for Android and iPhone



System availability



Challenges

Ramp up time / Initial costs

Very high learning curve for Bacula and friends

Killer GUI frontend for Bacula

Error messages are not always informative

Try and error on non-Linux platforms

Summary

- Secure solution
- Fast deployment
- Easy to manage
- Easy to monitor
- Where costs are reduced



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