

Observability and Large-Network Monitoring Webinar

Webinar Outline

- ntopng as an Observability Platform
 - From traffic monitoring to real-time observability
 - Fine-grained visibility into micro-bursts and transient anomalies with high-resolution counters
- Large-Network Monitoring
 - Routing & BGP for Large-Scale Networks
 - Monitor routing health, visualize BGP paths, gain actionable insights

Traditional Monitoring Is Not Enough

- Traditional monitoring platforms typically aggregate metrics over 5 or 15 minutes, in some case 1 minute.
- This often hides:
 - Micro-bursts
 - Short-lived congestion
 - East-west traffic anomalies
- Critical performance issues disappear inside averaged data.

Predefined Constraints

- Traditional timeseries limit users to:
 - Metrics anticipated by developers
 - Static dashboard schemas
 - Fixed aggregation dimensions
- If a metric was not designed in advance, it cannot be analyzed later.

Flow-Based Observability

- ntopng now supports:
 - High-resolution counters for each raw network flow
 - 15-second timeseries generation
 - Near real-time visibility
 - Historical forensic analysis
- Key Concept
 - Every raw flow becomes an observability signal.
 - ➔ Any timeseries can be generated dynamically.

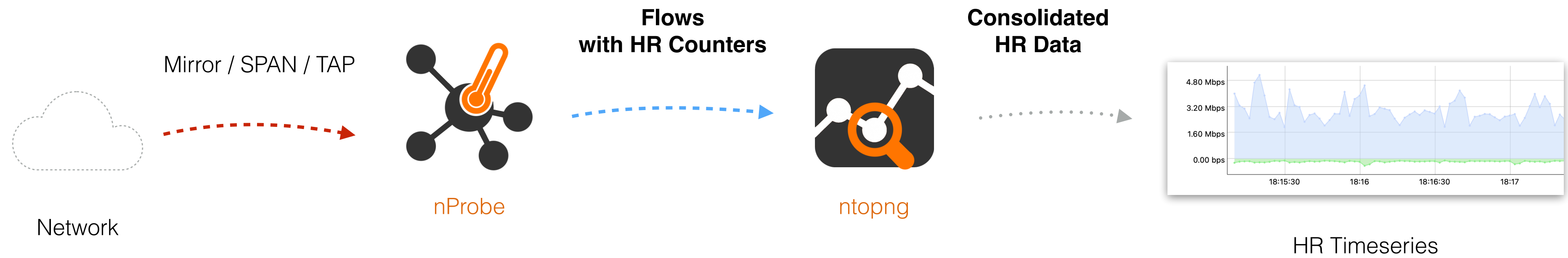
New Observability Use Cases

- Detect Micro-Bursts
 - Short spikes invisible in minute-based monitoring become immediately visible.
- Troubleshoot Intermittent Problems
 - Correlate: Packet spikes, Throughput changes, Traffic bursts, Application slowdowns
- Capacity Planning
 - Understand actual traffic dynamics instead of averages.

High-Resolution IEs

- nProbe as High-Resolution data producer
- New Information Elements with high-resolution timeseries, one per metric, including:
 - %HR_DST_TO_SRC_BYTES
 - %HR_SRC_TO_DST_BYTES

Data Pipeline



Examples of High-Resolution Analytics

- Build high-resolution timeseries on request, including:
 - Traffic between two hosts
 - Traffic toward an Autonomous System
 - Interface throughput
 - Per-application traffic
 - Per-country traffic
- Users can zoom from infrastructure-wide views down to individual flow behavior.

Unified Monitoring + Observability

- ntopng now combines:
 - Traffic visibility
 - Security analytics
 - Historical analysis
 - Observability workflows
- Inside a single platform.

Chart HR Data in Grafana

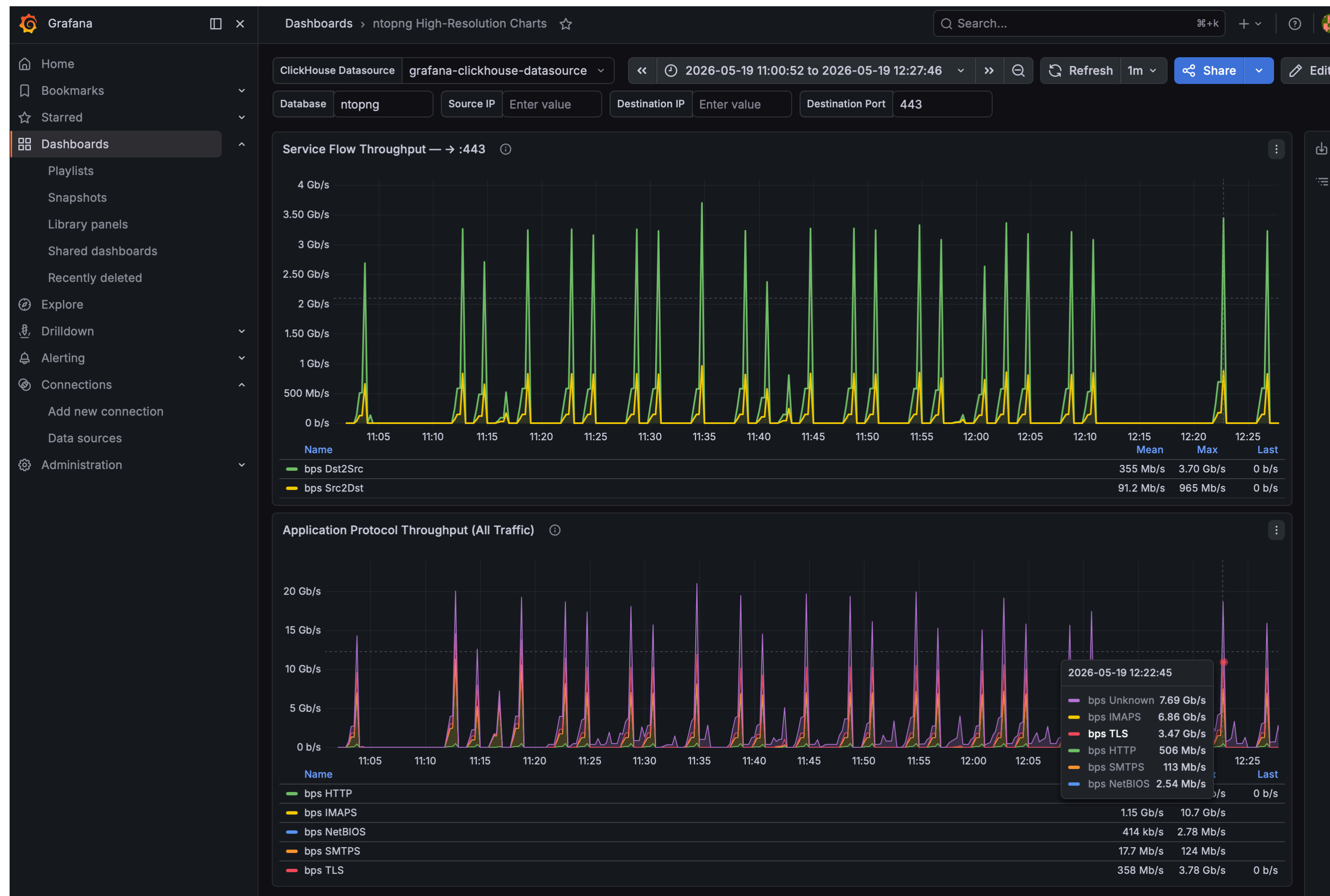
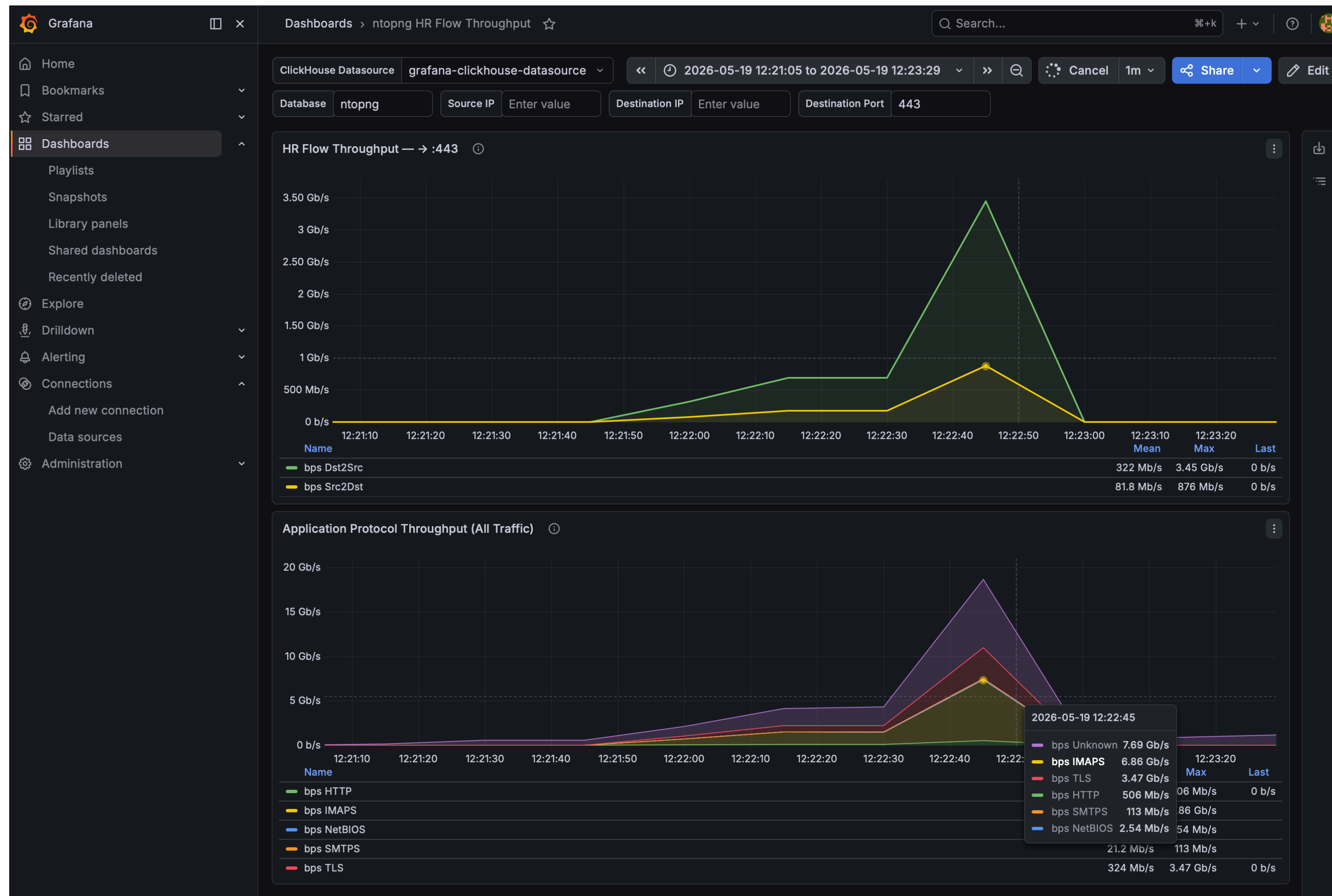


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Future Directions

- The long-term vision is to evolve ntopng into a full observability platform.
- Predictive anomaly detection
- Automated incident detection
- AI-assisted traffic analysis
- Goal
 - Transform network traffic into actionable operational intelligence.

