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Spam is the abuse of electronic messaging systems including most broadcast media, digital delivery systems to send unsolicited bulk messages (UBE) and unsolicited commercial messages (UCE) indiscriminately. From the beginning of the Internet, sending of junk e-mail has been prohibited but to no avail. It is estimated that spam cost businesses to the tune of \$100 billion in 2007. As the scale of the spam problem has grown, ISPs and the public have turned to government for relief from spam, which has failed to materialize. Consequently we are forced to adopt technical solutions and protect ourselves from this outrage.

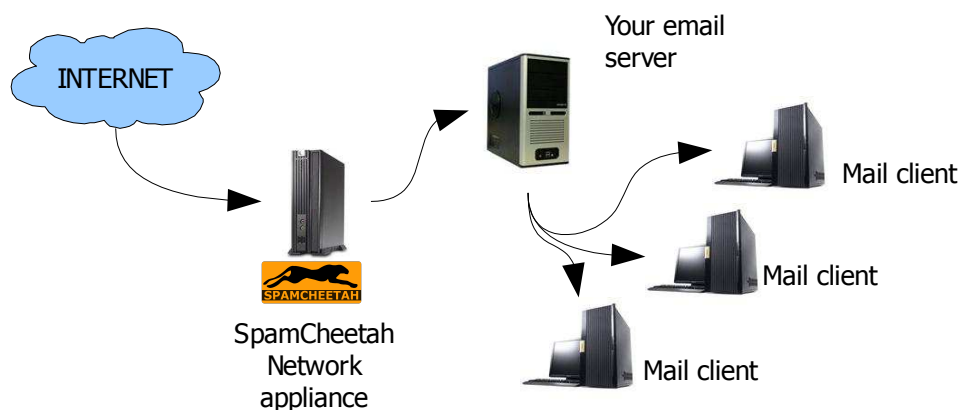
SpamCheetah comes to your rescue! SpamCheetah is an OpenBSD greylisting & blacklisting anti spam network appliance from Gayatri HiTech.

- Uses OpenBSD greylisting with tarpitting for spam control
- No content scanning, which means no false positives at all. Never lose legitimate mail
- Continue to use your mail server on any OS – SpamCheetah is a network appliance like a router
- Comes with a sophisticated web interface for configuration and maintenance
- Full reporting of more than 20 statistics in graph and text formats

SpamCheetah runs on very low resources - spam control in a box!. Once deployed, there is no maintenance overhead at all. There is an option of manual intervention using the web interface if required to fine tune the performance. It is also extremely scalable and load balancing features come built in. A mail monitoring control is provided along with this system.

This technology does not even allow spam to enter into your network. You save bandwidth, storage costs, hurt the spammer and also reduce spam sent to others! It stops the spam right in its tracks. Uses OpenBSD greylisting + Tarpit + blacklist of known spam senders. Never allow a single mail to miss its target. And never allow a single spam message to slip through. SpamCheetah completely arrests the botnet spew. This technology works by hurting the business model of spammers in such a way that spammers have no choice but to accept defeat. Built with a feature called greytrapping that hurts spammers. You can configure bogus e-mail IDs that spammers harvest or guess and hurt spammers! SpamCheetah comes with a sophisticated web interface that will blow you over with its features that include detailed hourly, weekly and monthly reports on every possible statistic that it can provide.

The SpamCheetah Schema



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Comparison between different Spam protection approaches

Approach	Vendors, tools	Pros	Cons
Content scanning	Spamassassin, dspam, Bayesian filtering, CRM114 discriminator	Very popular Spam control solution	False positives, Very very slow, brings down mail processing speeds. Heavy load on the computer that performs this task. Very error prone too. Requires a lot of maintenance and baby sitting.
Plain vanilla greylisting	Available with most MTAs and commercial vendors. Examples include postgrey, qmail and so on.	No false positives. Fairly good catch rate and you can combine this with other tools for content scanning. Also reasonably fast.	Mail slows down by 4 hours or so. Spam catch rate is low as many spammers know how to get around greylisting.
OpenBSD greylisting + tarpit + blacklisting (SpamCheetah)	Available in all OpenBSD installations, comes with base. Not found in other BSDs or Linux.	Very high Spam catch rate. Very fast, requires low resources and requires no manual intervention. Zero false positives. Uses Berkeley db, so very fast and can run on embedded platforms.	There is an initial delay of 4 hours but this happens only the first time. After that mail flows at wire speed. Practically not an issue.
A combination of various concoctions	Many commercial vendors like Barracuda and Ironport do this. Even some homebrew solutions by UNIX hackers with open source MTAs and other tools like Spamassassin	Good Spam catch rate. Integrated mail solution, big brand names. Customer comfort and popularity.	Very expensive. Often not necessary. False positives are not ruled out.



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