

## DATA SHEET

# Plixer Scrutinizer

### Security benefits

- Reduce security risks
- Support faster time-to-resolution
- Deliver contextual forensics
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### Network benefits

- Enrich data context of network traffic
- Increase efficiency and reduce cost
- Monitor network and application performance
- Achieve fast reporting and massive scale

Plixer Scrutinizer® collects, analyzes, visualizes, and reports on data from every network conversation and digital transaction to deliver security and network intelligence. It provides the insight and historical data needed to manage and optimize business operations while reducing risk by detecting and remediating incidents. Unlike competing solutions that require the addition of many expensive and proprietary appliances, Plixer's implementation collects data that is exported directly from the existing infrastructure (switches, routers, firewalls, packet brokers, etc.). This differentiated approach is frictionless, eases implementation, reduces complexity, and improves ROI.

Plixer Scrutinizer is available as both physical and virtual appliances.

### Security benefits

#### Reduce security risks

As a security professional, risk reduction is job one. The decades-long strategy of deploying security products, purchased in the name of prevention, has failed us. Breaches are inevitable. Today, the greatest risk reduction comes from a focus on forensic data and improving time-to-resolution after a breach occurs.

#### Support faster time-to-resolution

Faster time-to-resolution is accomplished through a faster time-to-know. Remediation can only occur after root cause has been established, and rich contextual data is the enabler. Plixer Scrutinizer gathers flows and metadata from across your entire network infrastructure, providing the visualization and reporting of the forensic details you need for faster time-to-resolution.

#### Deliver contextual forensics

Access to high volumes of disparate data does not lead to faster response. In fact, it can have the opposite effect. The best context and response come from the correlation of network-related metadata gathered from firewalls, switches, routers, and distributed



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probes, all stitched together into a single database. Plixer Scrutinizer correlates events and maps alarms to the MITRE ATT&CK® for quick understanding of security incidents.

### **Proactive thresholds and alarming**

IoT, BYOD, and the explosion of virtual machines have all created an unmanageable threat surface. Monitoring network traffic is a highly effective way to identify indicators of compromise. Proactive thresholds, alerting, and open RESTful APIs enable rapid and dynamic event response. Plixer Scrutinizer provides real-time detection of DDoS attacks, whether the attack is volumetric-, application-, or protocol-based.

### **Network benefits**

#### **Enrich data context of network traffic**

Better context is achieved by correlating traffic flows and metadata collected from all corners of the network into a single database. Plixer Scrutinizer offers rapid filtering and reporting from this rich data to deliver deep insight, allowing you to answer the questions: who, what, where, when, why, and how.

#### **Increase efficiency and reduce cost**

Plixer Scrutinizer offers the industry's fastest and most accurate reporting, delivering visibility into bandwidth, application, and user utilization (including the WAN and SD-WAN). When users complain, but your SNMP tool's lights are all green, what do you do? You turn to Plixer Scrutinizer to protect customer satisfaction, productivity, and revenue.

#### **Monitor network and application performance**

Network/application optimization and root cause analysis require true end-to-end visibility. Plixer Scrutinizer delivers by collecting, visualizing, and reporting on data that extend all the way from the user through to the cloud. It also provides real-time detection of DDoS attacks, minimizing disruption and loss of revenue.

### **Achieve fast reporting and massive scale**

Plixer Scrutinizer's hierarchical design with streamlined and efficient data collection allows you to start small and easily scale to multi-millions of flows per second. Although the network is always blamed, fast and accurate reporting allows the network team to identify root cause and, as is often the case, deliver proof of network innocence.

### **Expand on Plixer Scrutinizer with Plixer platforms**

#### **Plixer Security Intelligence platform**

Plixer Security Intelligence is Plixer's NDR solution and provides threat detection, investigation, and response capabilities. This platform is comprised of the capabilities of Plixer Scrutinizer, Endpoint Analytics, and FlowPro APM-Defender. For more information on the Plixer Security Intelligence product, visit: [www.plixer.com/products/security-intelligence](http://www.plixer.com/products/security-intelligence)

#### **Plixer Network Intelligence platform**

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## Deployment options

### Hardware appliances

Plixer Scrutinizer's appliances are rack-mountable servers with all the capabilities pre-installed.

- Plixer Scrutinizer Collector receives flows and metadata from exporting devices and stores it in a database.
- Plixer Scrutinizer Reporter is the reporting engine of Plixer Scrutinizer.

Hardware appliance specifications are listed in the table below.

### Virtual appliances

The Plixer Scrutinizer virtual appliance is available for deployment on a VMware, Hyper-V, or KVM server.

- The VMware virtual engines are packaged in the .OVA file format (defined by VMware).

- The Hyper-V virtual engines are packaged in the .ZIP file format.
- The KVM virtual engines are packaged in the .TAR.GZ file format.

The virtual appliance minimum system specifications are:

- Network connection; Gigabit Ethernet recommended
- VMware ESXi 5.5 and above, Hyper-V 2012, or KVM 14 and above
- 2.0 GHz Quad Core CPU, minimum
- 16 GB DDR3 RAM, 64 GB recommended
- 100 GB SATA drive, 1.5 TB 15K SAS recommended

## Hardware appliance specifications

|                       | Collector  | Reporter  |
|-----------------------|--|---|
| Chassis configuration | 1U chassis   | 1U chassis  |
| Processor             | 2 x Intel Xeon® Gold 6240 2.6Ghz (18 Cores) 150 Watts                                | 1 x Intel Xeon® Gold 6230 2.1Ghz (20 Cores) 125 Watts |
| Memory                | 256 GB   | 128 GB  |
| Storage               | 3.8, 5.7, and 7.6 TB capacity options  | 400 GB capacity                                       |
| Networking            | Broadcom 57412 Dual Port 10GbE SFP+ & 5720 Dual Port 1GbE BASE-T                     | Quad port 1Gb LOM                                     |
| Power                 | Dual, hot plug, redundant power supply (1+1), 750W                                   | Dual, hot plug, redundant power supply (1+1), 550W    |
| Power cords           | NEMA 5-15P to C13 wall plug, 125 volt, 15 amp, 10 ft (3m), power cord, North America |   |
| Weight                | 48.3 lbs (21.9 kg)   | 36.88 lbs (16.73 kg)                                  |
| Dimensions            | 31.8" x 18.98" x 1.69"<br>(808.50mm x 482.00mm x 42.80mm)                            | 23.9" x 17.09" x 1.68"<br>60.70cm x 43.40cm x 4.28cm  |

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## Hardware appliance specifications (continued)

|                   | Collector  | Reporter    |
|-------------------|--|-------------|
| Environmental     | <b>Storage:</b> Temperature: -40°C to 65°C (-40°F to 149°F) Humidity: 5% to 95%<br><b>Operating:</b> Temperature: 10°C to 35°C (50°F to 95°F) Humidity: 10% to 80% |             |
| Hardware warranty | 3 years  |             |
| Rails             | Sliding ReadyRails with cable management arm   |             |
| Heat dissipation  | 2891 BTU/hr  | 2107 BTU/hr |
| Database          | PostgreSQL   |             |

## Plixer Scrutinizer supported end-system browsers

| Desktop browser | Version         |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Microsoft Edge  | Current release |
| Mozilla Firefox | Current release |
| Google Chrome   | Current release |

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## Plixer Scrutinizer purchasing options

Plixer Scrutinizer can be purchased as a subscription license.

Subscription licensing allows the purchase of Plixer Scrutinizer in annual contracts. Users are free to use the software as long as they maintain a contract with Plixer.

Product updates and customer support are included as part of the subscription. Hardware and virtual installations can be on-premise or within a customer's instance of private cloud/public cloud.

The subscription Licensing has an ongoing Customer Service Contract as part of the terms of your license.

## Ordering information

Ordering subscription licenses of Plixer Scrutinizer is based on the number of flow-exporting devices that will be sending flow and metadata to a Plixer Scrutinizer collector.

Multiple license tiers are available. License cost is determined by the number of flow and metadata exporters. Customized license options are available upon request.

### SCR-VA

SCR-VA is the virtual appliance option of SCR. SCR-VA is limited to 40,000 flows per second with unlimited raw flow data collection.

### SCR-HDW

SCR-HDW is the hardware appliance option of SCR. SCR-HDW supports up to 100,000 flows per second per collector with unlimited raw flow data collection.

SCR-HDW comes in three options depending on the amount of disk space required to support your given flow collection needs:

- HDW – Collector 3.8 TB
- HDW – Collector 5.7 TB
- HDW – Collector 7.6 TB

Additional external storage arrays are available for purchase as well.

### VDR

VDR is a virtual reporter used for distributed environments. Requires SCR-VA or SCR-HDW.

### HDR

HDR is a hardware appliance for reporting in distributed environments, and requires SCR-VA or SCR-HDW.

## Key technology integration

Plixer Scrutinizer offers RESTful API integration with key complementary technologies. Some integration examples include Splunk and Elasticsearch for SIEM integration. Active Directory, RADIUS, and TACACS+ integration provides accountability with username-to-IP correlation, and integration with third parties like Endace allows for seamless correlation of flow data with packet capture details.

In addition, IPAM integration allows for IP Group details to easily be imported and integrated into the reporting structure. Plixer Scrutinizer boasts technology integration with over 70 leading network and security solutions, protecting existing technology investments.

## Warranty

As a customer-centric company, Plixer is committed to providing quality products and solutions. In the event that one of our products fails due to a defect, we have developed a comprehensive warranty that protects you and provides a simple way to get your product repaired or media replaced as soon as possible.

The hardware appliance comes with a 3-year warranty against manufacturing defects. Software warranties are covered through the Customer Support Contract or through a subscription contract.

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## Service and support

Plixer Support services are available to all customers with an active maintenance or subscription contract. Access to our support team by phone +1 (207) 324-8805, web or our Customer Portal is available 24 hours a day, every day of the week.

## Additional information

For additional technical information, please visit: <https://www.plixer.com/products/scrutinizer/>