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RIPE Atlas Command-line Tools

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Introduction



RIPE Atlas - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

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RIPE Atlas

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RIPE Atlas is a global, open, distributed Internet measurement platform, consisting of thousands of measurement devices that measure Internet connectivity in real time.

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<https://atlas.ripe.net>



RIPE Atlas Coverage



- Countries: 184
- Originating ASNs:
 - 3,398 (IPv4) = 6,4% coverage
 - 1,246 (IPv6) = 11,21% coverage
- 9,400 active **probes**
 - 4,146 disconnected
 - 1,624 abandoned

(as of 11 April 2016)

Country	Probes
United States of America	1062
Germany	997
France	752
United Kingdom	617
Netherlands	514
Russia	514
Czech Republic	267
Switzerland	259
Italy	256
Ukraine	222

Community Participation



- 17,000 **probes** given to volunteers
- 10,000 **active users** in 2015
 - 5,000 last quarter
- 190+ **anchors** hosted by operators
- Nine **sponsors** in 2015;
six already for 2016
- 300+ **ambassadors**,
at many conferences



RIPE Atlas Results



- Ongoing global measurements towards root name servers
 - Visualised as Internet traffic maps
- Ongoing regional measurements towards “anchors”
- Users can run customised measurements
 - Ping, traceroute, DNS, SSL/TLS, NTP and (limited) HTTP
- All data open and publicly available

Most Popular Features



- Web interface for user-defined measurements
- New APIs to start measurements and get results
- Powerful and informative visualisations
- CLI tools
- Streaming data for real-time results
- “Time Travel”, LatencyMON, DomainMON
- Roadmap shows what’s completed and coming



Command-line Interface (CLI) Toolset

CLI Toolset: Benefits



- Access RIPE Atlas from the terminal / shell console
- Quick and dirty shortcuts for network troubleshooting
- FLOSS (free software / open-source) tools
 - Written and maintained by RIPE NCC
 - Open to community contributions

CLI Toolset: Prerequisites



- Before you can use the toolset:
 - Download the tools
 - Install
 - Configure
 - `ripe-atlas configure --set
authorisation.create=MY_API_KEY`
- You need to have one (or more) API Keys
 - <https://atlas.ripe.net/keys/>

CLI Toolset: Links



- Source:
 - <https://github.com/RIPE-NCC/ripe-atlas-tools/>
- Documentation:
 - <https://ripe-atlas-tools.readthedocs.org/>
- Included in the Linux / BSD distributions:
 - OpenBSD, FreeBSD, Gentoo, Arch, Debian and Ubuntu
(in progress: Fedora, Windows)

Create a Ping Measurement



- Simple: one-off, using default values (50 probes to “target”)
- `$ ripe-atlas measure ping --target wikipedia.org`

Looking good! Your measurement was created and details about it can be found here:

<https://atlas.ripe.net/measurements/3499718/>

Connecting to stream...

```
48 bytes from probe #18433 94.112.176.45 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=50 times:41.979, 41.492, 40.769,
48 bytes from probe #20111 37.151.230.180 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=57 times:100.511, 100.136, 100.325,
48 bytes from probe #25003 176.193.48.211 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=59 times:47.967, 47.476, 47.403,
48 bytes from probe #20313 5.199.160.9 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=58 times:36.501, 36.245, 36.285,
48 bytes from probe #22573 89.176.43.44 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=52 times:28.747, 27.712, 28.446,
48 bytes from probe #19413 89.71.47.56 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=51 times:49.89, 49.779, 50.277,
48 bytes from probe #18635 78.52.132.137 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=57 times:37.462, 38.095, 37.73,
48 bytes from probe #23223 62.65.126.46 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=53 times:23.169, 23.412, 33.067,
48 bytes from probe #17511 87.81.148.2 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=56 times:13.281, 12.885, 13.039,
48 bytes from probe #12584 46.175.22.202 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=59 times:36.073, 35.788, 35.883,
```

```
48 bytes from probe #19368 188.75.141.6 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=55 times:23.983, 23.833, 23.85,
48 bytes from probe #20236 94.112.19.136 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=52 times:32.543, 32.069, 31.873,
48 bytes from probe #18830 46.42.38.244 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=58 times:58.404, 58.075, 58.246,
48 bytes from probe #24056 176.156.201.171 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=58 times:32.761, 32.819, 32.734,
48 bytes from probe #26946 67.233.176.217 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=50 times:151.735, 118.041, 142.844,
48 bytes from probe #27414 170.210.70.251 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=43 times:290.444, 285.019, 773.309,
48 bytes from probe #18607 185.75.138.141 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=47 times:41.673, 33.16, 26.11,
48 bytes from probe #10246 194.33.189.126 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=60 times:35.729, 35.558, 35.617,
48 bytes from probe #14724 194.231.22.155 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=58 times:22.465, 22.181, 23.242,
48 bytes from probe #12092 93.189.153.142 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=53 times:15.032, 13.846, 13.99,
48 bytes from probe #10506 63.130.83.21 to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=59 times:79.37, 78.971, 79.085,
```

Disconnecting from stream

You can find details about this measurement here:

<https://atlas.ripe.net/measurements/3499718/>

Other Ping Examples



- Geo-specific using 20 probes from Canada:
 - `$ ripe-atlas measure ping --target example.com --probes 20 --from-country ca`
- 20 Canadian probes that support IPv6:
 - `$ ripe-atlas measure ping --target example.com -- probes 20 --from-country ca --include-tag system-ipv6-works`
- Create a recurring measurement:
 - `$ ripe-atlas measure ping --target example.com --interval 3600`

Traceroute



```
$ ripe-atlas measure  
traceroute --probes 2  
--target google.ca
```

Looking good! Your measurement was created and details about it can be found here:

<https://atlas.ripe.net/measurements/3499936/>

Connecting to stream...

Probe #3837

1	192.168.8.254	2.748 ms	1.931 ms	1.982 ms
2	77.51.191.254	3.286 ms	3.051 ms	3.076 ms
3	172.27.8.174	4.421 ms	4.775 ms	4.694 ms
4	77.37.254.129	5.48 ms	5.363 ms	6.52 ms
5	72.14.209.81	4.37 ms	4.232 ms	4.183 ms
6	209.85.240.209	47.099 ms	46.705 ms	41.563 ms
7	209.85.240.102	23.207 ms	23.001 ms	22.993 ms
8	209.85.249.59	40.565 ms	40.454 ms	40.004 ms
9	209.85.254.198	62.337 ms	45.201 ms	44.595 ms
10	216.239.49.28	44.999 ms	44.887 ms	44.907 ms
11	*	*	*	*
12	173.194.65.94	77.313 ms	82.476 ms	83.303 ms

Probe #16731

1	192.168.80.254	0.582 ms	0.483 ms	0.413 ms
2	188.134.205.225	0.79 ms	0.683 ms	0.684 ms
3	84.16.101.226	1.13 ms	1.169 ms	1.114 ms
4	86.61.255.241	5.503 ms	5.711 ms	5.629 ms
5	91.210.16.211	5.753 ms	5.307 ms	5.579 ms
6	216.239.56.169	13.419 ms	13.358 ms	13.243 ms
7	216.239.57.190	15.311 ms	15.26 ms	15.295 ms
8	209.85.253.216	17.012 ms	17.091 ms	16.925 ms
9	72.14.234.170	21.411 ms	21.472 ms	21.318 ms
10	216.239.51.19	25.035 ms	24.67 ms	24.773 ms
11	216.239.56.163	24.607 ms	24.554 ms	24.55 ms
12	*	*	*	*
13	173.194.65.94	25.36 ms	25.894 ms	24.296 ms

Disconnecting from stream

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Search for Existing Measurements



```
$ ripe-atlas measurements --af 6 --status ongoing --limit 15 --search google
```

Filters:

Search: google

Af: 6

Status in: (2,)

Id	Type	Description	Status
1004005	ping	google - v6	Ongoing
1004732	traceroute	google v6 traceroute	Ongoing
1007128	dns	Google.fi AAAA reply	Ongoing
1012449	sslcrt	www.google.com	Ongoing
1024911	ping	IPv6 Google DNS	Ongoing
1404300	ping	IPv6 Ping to Google	Ongoing
1665737	ping	google.com - 2404:6800:4003:c00::71	Ongoing
1796260	ping	Ping measurement to www.google.com	Ongoing
1889086	traceroute	Traceroute measurement to ipv6.google.com	Ongoing
2062542	traceroute	Traceroute measurement to ipv6.google.com	Ongoing
2062543	ping	Ping measurement to ipv6.google.com	Ongoing
2143865	ping	Ping measurement to ipv6.google.com	Ongoing
2486602	traceroute	IPv6 Traceroute measurement to snapchat.com	Ongoing
2486820	ping	Google IPv6	Ongoing
2929651	ping	campaign:th-mon-run2 type:ping host:plus.goog	Ongoing

Showing 15 of 18 total measurements

Search for Very Specific Probes



```
$ ripe-atlas probes --asn 3333 --field id --field asn_v6 --field country --field is_public --field description --field status
```

```
Filters:  
ASN: 3333
```

ID	Asn_v6	Country	Public	Description	Status
9	3333	nl	✓	SG office 1	Connected
14	3333	nl	✓	vty probe	Connected
15	3333	nl	✓	SG office 2	Connected
111	3333	br	✗	NIC.br	Abandoned
237	3333	nl	✓	The Traveling Probe	Connected
1108	3333	us	✓	probe 1	Abandoned
2009	3333	nl	✓	NCC Office 2009	Connected
3497	3333	nl	✗		Abandoned
4840	3333	nl	✗		Abandoned
6001	3333	nl	✓	AA nl-ams-as3333	Connected
6012	3333	nl	✗	AA pre-production	Connected
6018	3333	nl	✗		Abandoned
6019	3333	nl	✓	RIPE NCC Anchor v2	Connected
6137	3333	nl	✓	nl-ams-as3333-preprod	Connected
10004	3333	nl	✓	RIPE NCC R&D Office	Abandoned
10105	3333	nl	✗		Abandoned
10106	3333	nl	✗		Abandoned
10888	3333	nl	✓	Ridderkerk - UPC 120/10Mbits	Abandoned
11187	3333	nl	✗		Disconnected
11283	3333	gb	✗	DUFFPROBE	Disconnected
12989		de	✓	TeraStream Test Lab	Abandoned
13343	3333	ch	✓	FSIT AG - CH-DIE001 - out of 0	Abandoned
14004	3333	nl	✗		Abandoned
14013	3333	nl	✗		Abandoned
14020	3333	nl	✗		Abandoned

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How to Take Part

Get Involved!



- Use RIPE Atlas for your operations: monitoring, troubleshooting, measuring
- Do scientific research
- Participate in a webinar
- Add multilingual content
- Become an ambassador or a sponsor
- Host a RIPE Atlas anchor
- Place a probe in a new exotic location

Contribute to Tools and Code



- CLI tools
 - Write a patch: <https://github.com/RIPE-NCC/ripe-atlas-tools/blob/master/CONTRIBUTING.rst>
 - Use in your syllabus
- OpenIPMap
 - Add more data: <https://marmot.ripe.net/openipmap/>
 - Modify, reuse and improve the code:
<https://github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community/openipmap>
- Add a link to your software on GitHub:
 - <https://github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community/ripe-atlas-community-contrib/blob/master/README.md>

RIPE Atlas Hackathon



- 2015: data viz and tools
- May 2016: Interfaces
- Upcoming! IXP Tools: 22-23 October, Madrid
 - Weekend before RIPE 73



Contact RIPE Atlas



- Articles and updates: <https://labs.ripe.net/atlas>
- Mailing list for active users: ripe-atlas@ripe.net
 - New: RIPE Forum (web-based interface):
<https://www.ripe.net/participate/mail/forum/ripe-atlas>
- Questions: atlas@ripe.net
- Twitter: @RIPE_Atlas and #RIPEAtlas