

RIPE IPmap Geolocating Internet Infra-Structure with Inference Engines and Crowdsourcing

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But now for something completely different first

User to User Still Important



- The quality of end-user connections are often expressed and optimised in download speeds towards content providers.
- Instead, these sketches focus on peer-to-peer connections with in a country.
- Fabric snapshots at points in time
- Trying to estimate an amount of ways the networks interconnect their users

We call it sketches since it uses rough estimates data from many source

- Any "single point of failure"?
- How much IXPs and Transit Providers are involved?

Data Sources: RIPE Atlas



- Measure the Internet!
 - By community, for community
- Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/RIPE_Atlas



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10,500+ probes connected (310+ Anchors)

6000 results collected per second

40,000+ user-defined measurements weekly

Five types of user-defined measurements available to probe hosts and RIPE NCC members: ping, traceroute, DNS, SSL, NTP, HTTP, WiFi

Data sources



- APNIC end-users per network estimation
 - https://stats.labs.apnic.net/aspop/
- IXP-country-jedi
 - https://www.ripe.net/ixp-country-jedi/
 - mesh traceroutes between RIPE Atlas probes in a country
 - measures and analyses (using IPMap)

Data sources



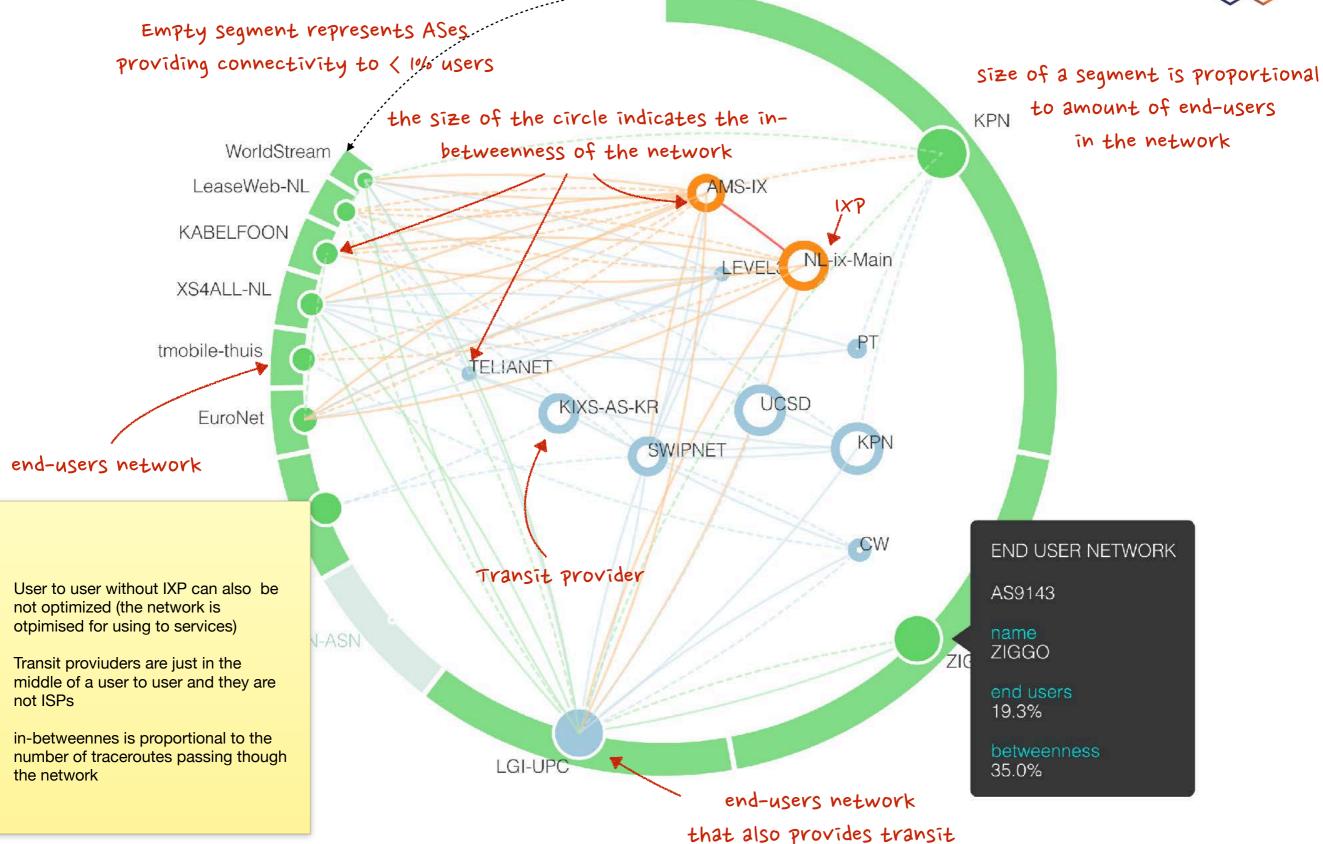
- CAIDA AS-to-ORG
 - https://www.caida.org/data/as-organizations/
- PeeringDB
 - https://www.peeringdb.com/
- RIPE IPmap
 - https://ipmap.ripe.net/
- RIPEStat
 - https://stat.ripe.net/



Show me the Sketch!

The Netherlands





Russian Federation



orange lines - end-users networks connected through an IXP

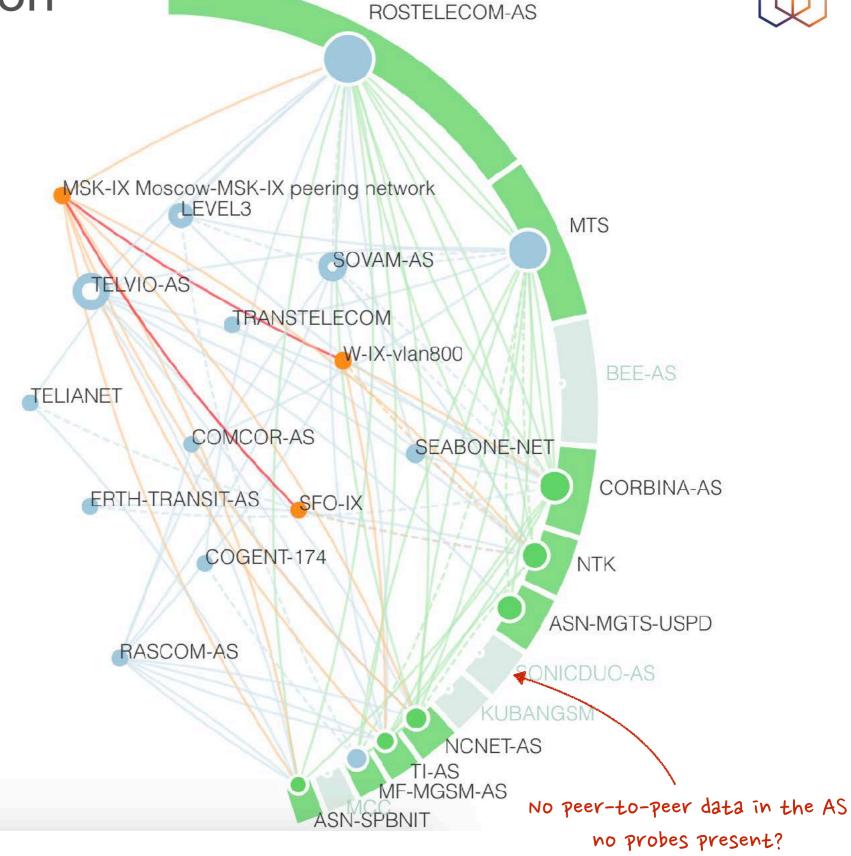
green lines - directly connected

blue lines - through a transit network

dashed lines - we cannot fully map this path

dashed lines - where dns lookup is wrong or have stars in the trace route outputs

red lines show paths between IXPs





Why Geolocation of infra-structure?

Reasons



- Increased interest in IP geolocation
 - Content providers
 - From operators and researchers
 - The "geoloc" attribute is not a solution
- A unified geographical data format is needed
- IP geolocation is extremely difficult
 - Various approaches, some of them cannot be used singularly
 - Academia is working on it! Let's work together
 - A validation/feedback loop is needed
 - A unified geographical data format is needed

Different Research Approaches



- Triangulation a.k.a. trilateration
 - Paristech anycast
 - RIPE Atlas
- Reverse DNS based location inference
 - CAIDA DNS decoding database DDec
- 'Administrative' analyses
 - PeeringDB
 - RIPE Database
- Verification/falsification procedures

Commercial Offerings



- Tend to concentrate on the end-user IP addresses
- Opaque methodology
- IPv6 address space largely ignored

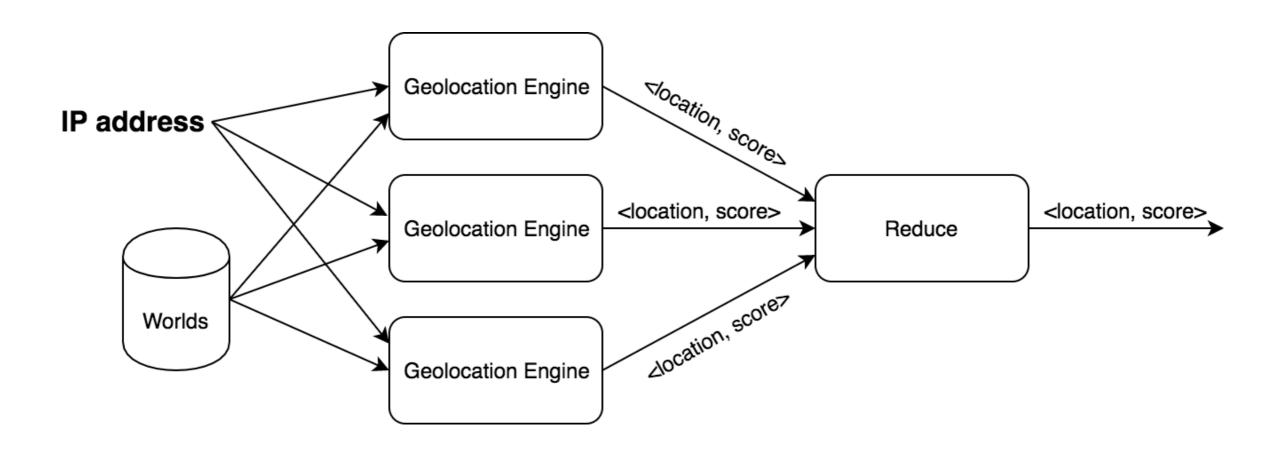
Our Integration attempt



- Accumulate research efforts as Inference Engines
- Each engine is applicable only in some cases
- Each engine has a score factor
- Complete transparency in inference methodology

Inference Engines





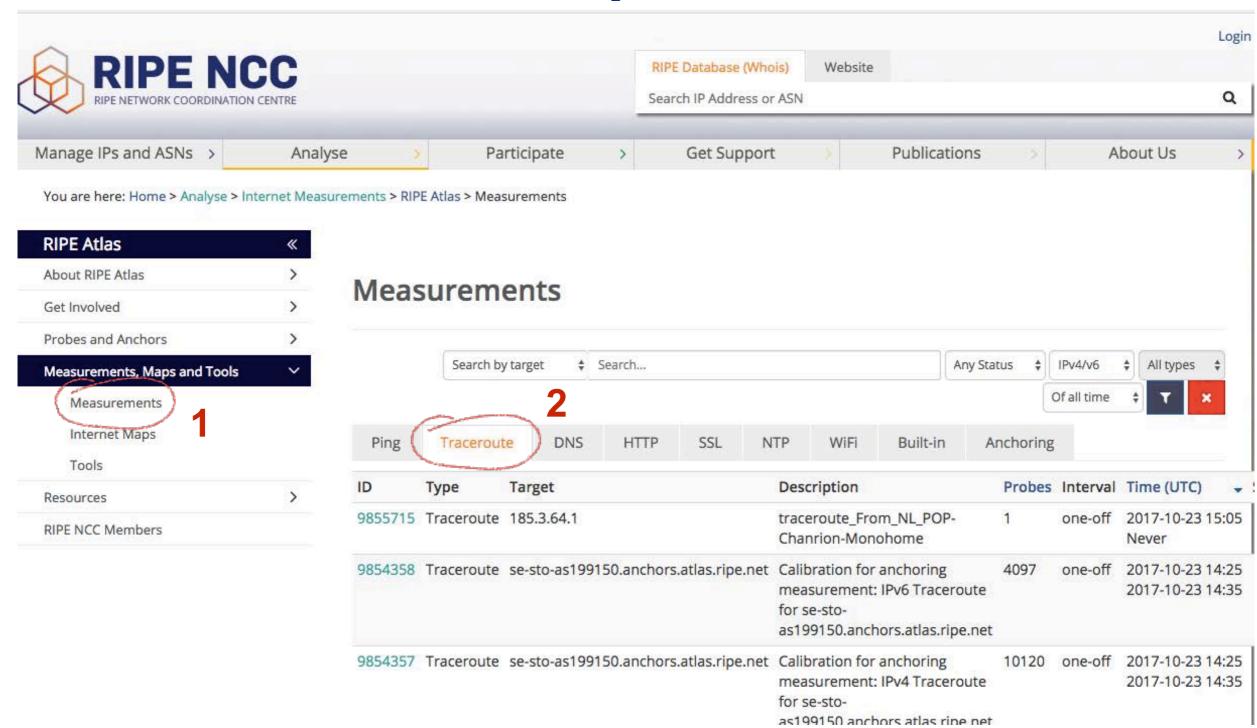
What is <u>ipmap.ripe.net</u>



- A web application where you can query/ correct the geolocation of an IP address
- An API where you can query for multiple IP addresses in bulk
- An API where you can correct/provide yourself the geolocation of an IP address
- A web application to visualize traceroutes geolocated on a map

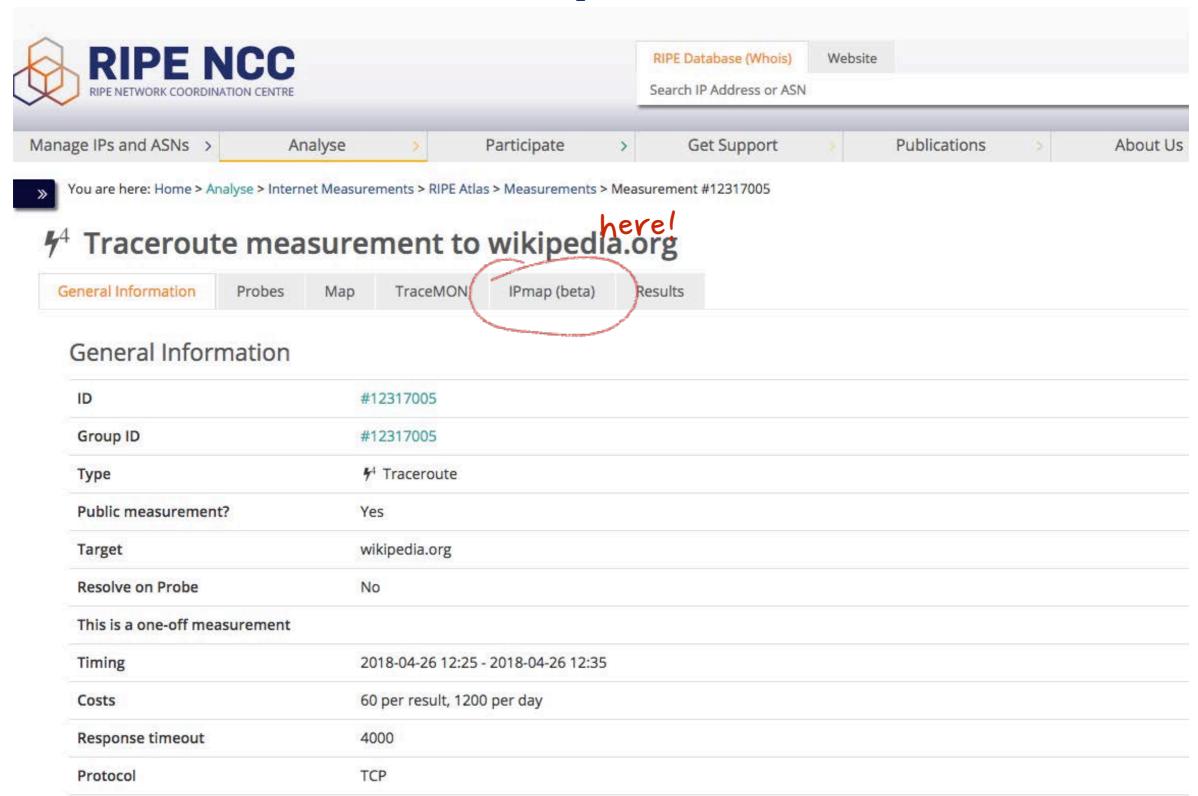
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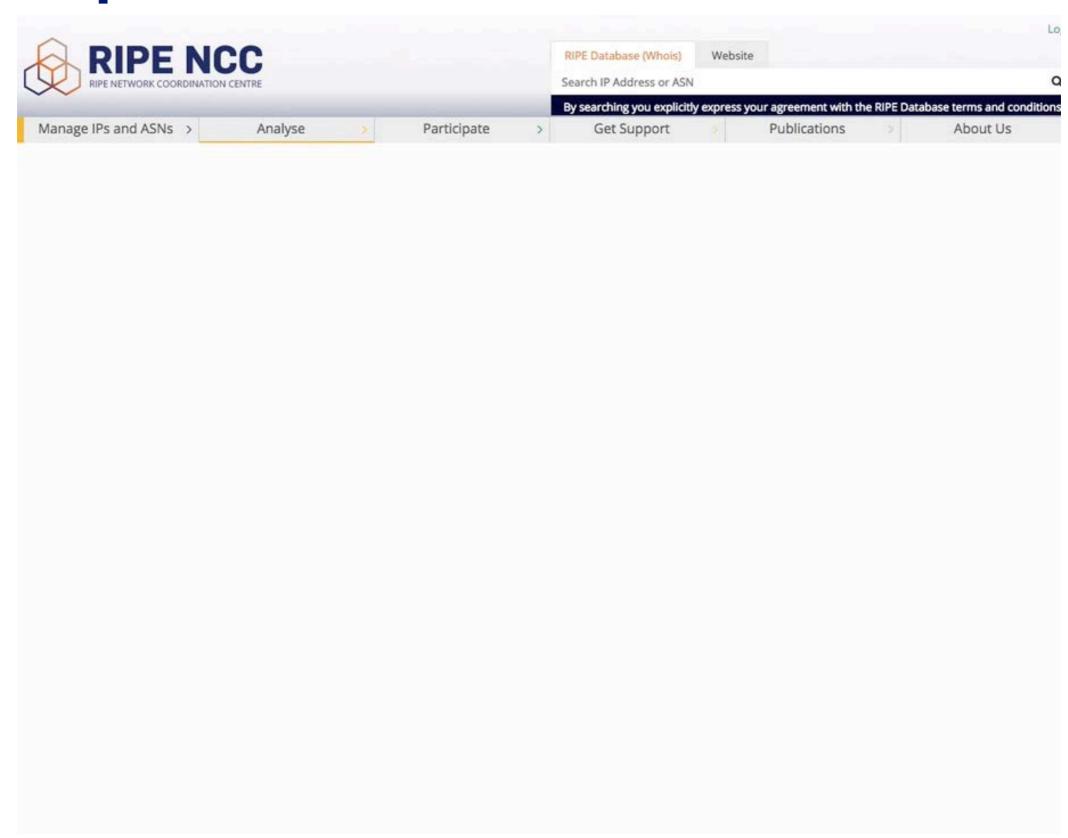




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IPmap Demo



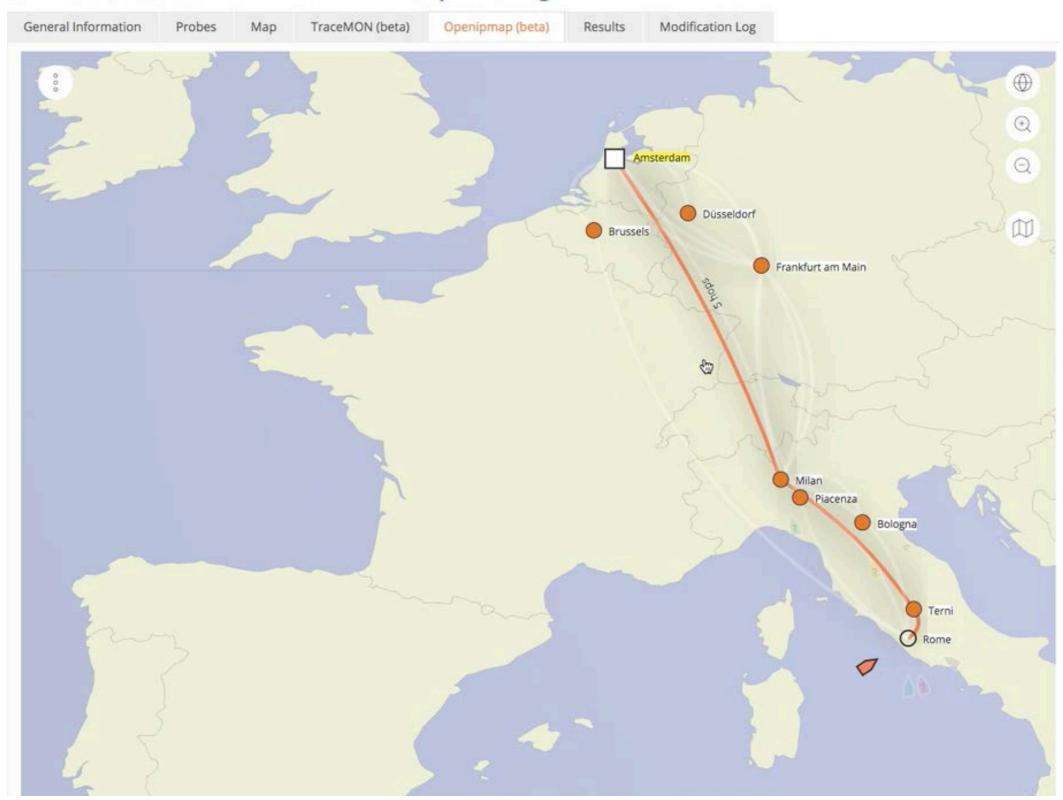


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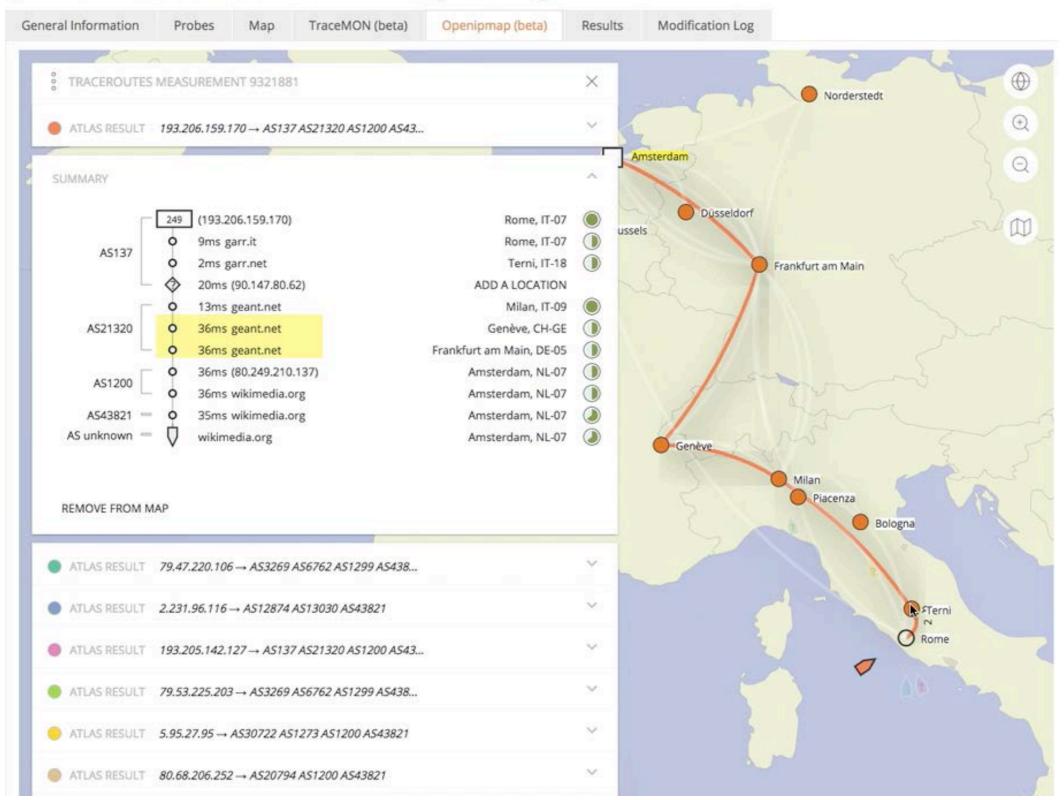
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Geolocation API

https://ipmap.ripe.net/api/v1

/locate



https://openipmap.ripe.net/api/v1/locate/83.163.50.165/best

```
▼ "location": {
     "score": 145,
     "countryCodeAlpha3": "NLD",
     "countryCodeAlpha2": "NL",
     "cityPopulation": 147590,
     "stateAnsiCode": "07",
     "pointGeometry": "0101000020E61000005C72DC291D8C12401B81785DBF304A40",
     "cityNameAscii": "Haarlem",
     "stateIsoCode": "NL-07",
     "countryName": "Netherlands",
     "stateName": "North Holland",
     "longitude": 4.63683,
     "geonameId": 2755003,
     "latitude": 52.38084,
     "cityName": "Haarlem",
     "type": "city",
     "id": "HAARLEM-NL-07-U173CX8KTBR196ECJF92"
▼ "meta": {
   ▼ "distribution": {
         "version": "17.9.18.1"
   "service": {
         "version": "0.0.1"
     },
   ▼ "request": {
       "params": {
            "ip": "83.163.50.165"
         "query": {}
```

*queries can be bundled with:

https://ipmap.ripe.net/api/v1/locate/all?resources=ip1,ip2,ip3..

/locate



https://openipmap.ripe.net/api/v1/locate/83.163.50.165/partials

```
"engine": "probeslocation",
         "description": "Probes location suggestor - based on user setting",
         "scoreFactor": 10,
        "locations": [ ... ] // 1 item
         "engine": "anycastparistech",
         "description": "Anycast engine - Paristech dataset",
         "scoreFactor": 10,
         "locations": []
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         "engine": "crowdsourced",
         "description": "Crowdsourced engine",
         "scoreFactor": 9,
         "locations": []
     },
         "engine": "triangulation",
         "description": "Triangulation engine (if empty try in 3 minutes, triangulation requires time)",
         "scoreFactor": 5,
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```

/locate - Active geolocation



- If the IP has not been measured yet, a new Ping measurement starts
- Peering DB data and BGP data are used to reduce the locations probed
- Score based on RTT, only RTT <10ms are considered
- PeeringDB facilities and population bust the score
- A list of possible locations is returned
- We are working on it! (Contributions are welcome!)

That's why you need...



RIPE Atlas coverage!





What's new?

Short RIPE Atlas update

Some New Features and Other Info



- Measurement tagging/labeling
- Result archives
- RIPE Atlas (storage) timestamps
- DNS-over-TLS support (API only yet)
- Scaling up our central infrastructure
 - Working on introducing ElasticSearch

Anchor VMs



- An anchor is a probe and a willing target
 - Automatically measured and generates more credits
- Anchor as a Virtual Machine: almost the same
 - They can be installed where physical machines are a no-go
 - Can be "in the cloud" as well
- We're in the pilot phase as of now
 - Five VMs are up and running
 - With help from members of the community
- We'll report on this activity around end of Q2

Probes



- We stopped preparing new v3 probes
 - Remaining stock is being distributed
- We're testing v4 (NanoPi based)
 - Have a few to give out for field testing
 - Working on logistics and proper casing
- Still (always?) on the lookout for new devices





Measurement Tagging



- It allows you to:
 - Group together any number of your measurements
 - Aggregate results from multiple targets and time periods
 - Easily stop all of a campaign's ongoing measurements
 - Choice between collaboration (tags) and full control (labels)
 - Upcoming: support in various RIPE Atlas visualisations
- For more info:
 - https://labs.ripe.net/Members/chris_amin/ripe-atlas-measurement-tagging

References & Feedback



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Questions

