

RIPE Atlas Tutorial

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Goals



- Learn how to:
 - Benefit from using RIPE Atlas measurements for network monitoring and troubleshooting
 - Use API calls to create measurements
 - Contribute to open-source tools
- Opportunity for hands-on practice
- Get your questions answered

Overview



- Introduction to RIPE Atlas
- What can you get from RIPE Atlas as a visitor
- Creating a measurement and exercise
- Command Line Interface (CLI) Toolset
- Real-time performance monitoring and exercise
- Additional Topics
 - Other features
 - Network monitoring and exercise: 'Status Checks'

Prerequisites



- Laptop
- RIPE NCC Access account
- Log in and visit atlas.ripe.net
- Credits!
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/user/credits/#!redeem
 - Voucher menog16-tutorial

Warm-up question



- What is your background?
 - Network operator?
 - Software engineer / programmer?
 - Data scientist?
 - Sysadmin?
 - Other? please specify :-)



Introduction to RIPE Atlas

Basics



- RIPE Atlas = global active measurements platform
- Goal: View Internet reachability
- Probes hosted by volunteers
- Measurements performed towards root name servers
 - Visualised as Internet traffic maps

(cont...) Basics



- Users can also run customised measurements
 - Ping, traceroute, DNS, TLS/SSL and NTP
- Data publicly available

RIPE Atlas in numbers

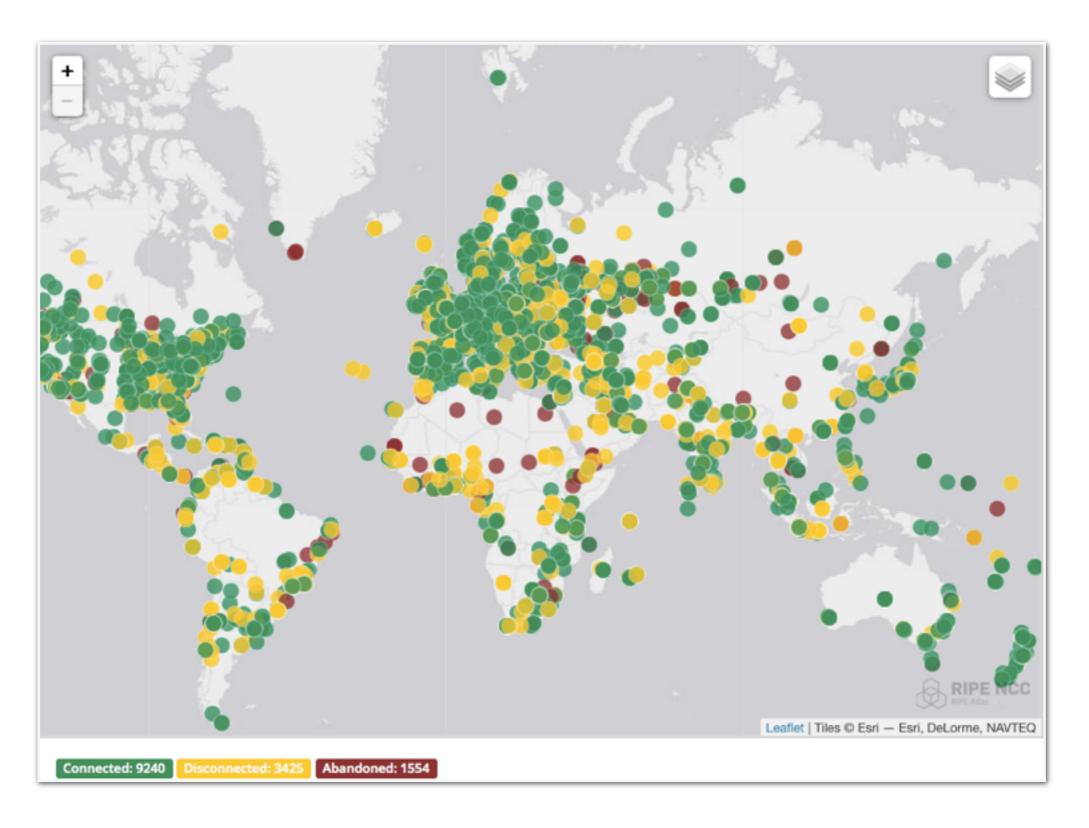


- Countries: 181
- Originating ASNs:
 - -3,333 (IPv4) = 6,33% coverage
 - -1,212 (IPv6) = 11,22% coverage
- 9,300+ active probes
- Active users: 10,000 in 2015
- 188 RIPE Atlas anchors

Country	Probes
United States of America	1032
Germany	966
France	772
United Kingdom	610
Netherlands	514
Russia	481
Czech Republic	262
Italy	260
Switzerland	256
Ukraine	220

RIPE Atlas coverage





Measurements devices



- v1 and v2: Lantronix XPort Pro
- v3: TP-Link TL-MR3020 powered from USB port
 - Does not work as a wireless router
 - Same functionality as the old probe
- RIPE Atlas anchor: Soekris net6501-70







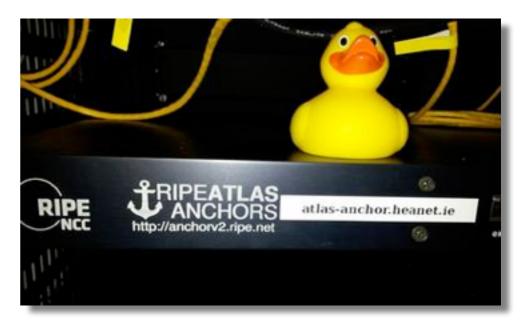
Probe photos









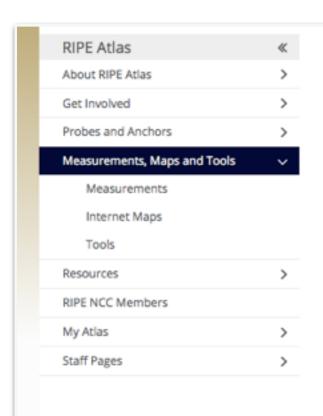




What you can get from RIPE Atlas as a visitor

Internet traffic maps





Internet Maps

DNS Root Instances



Shows, for each probe, which root DNS server instance the probe ends up querying, when they ask a particular root server. In other words, it shows the "gravitational radius" for root DNS server instances.

RTT to Fixed Destinations



Shows the colour coding for the RTT value for the particular destination for each probe. The minimum / average / maximum values are based on standard "ping" measurements.

Comparative DNS Root RTT



Shows a comparison of response time for DNS SOA queries to all the root DNS servers. For each probe, a marker shows the "best" root server with colour identifying the related minimum response time.

Reachability of Fixed Destinations



Shows if the particular fixed destination is reachable or not from each probe. Red markers indicate that the specific destination for these probes are unreachable and green reachable.

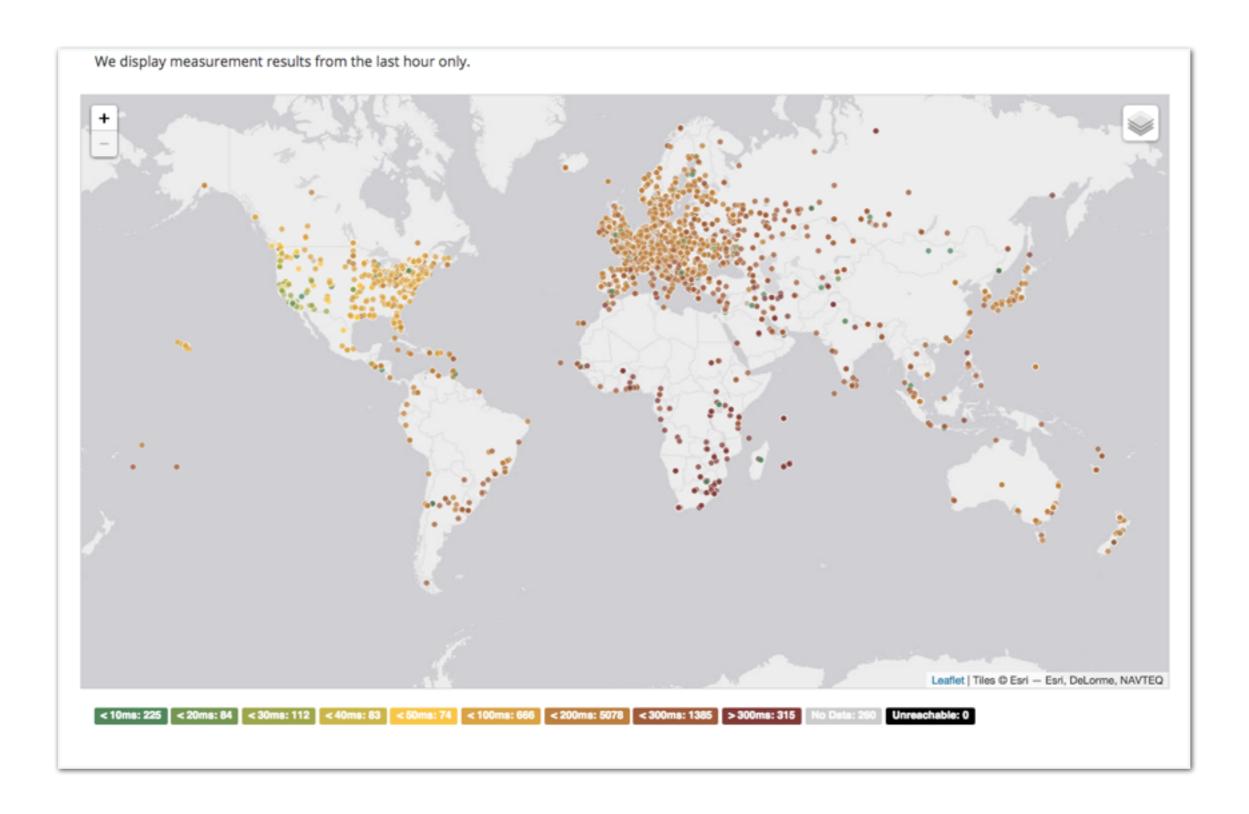
Root Server Performance



This map shows the reply time to the SOA query of a particular root DNS server, over the selected transport protocol (UDP, TCP or comparison of the two) for each probe.

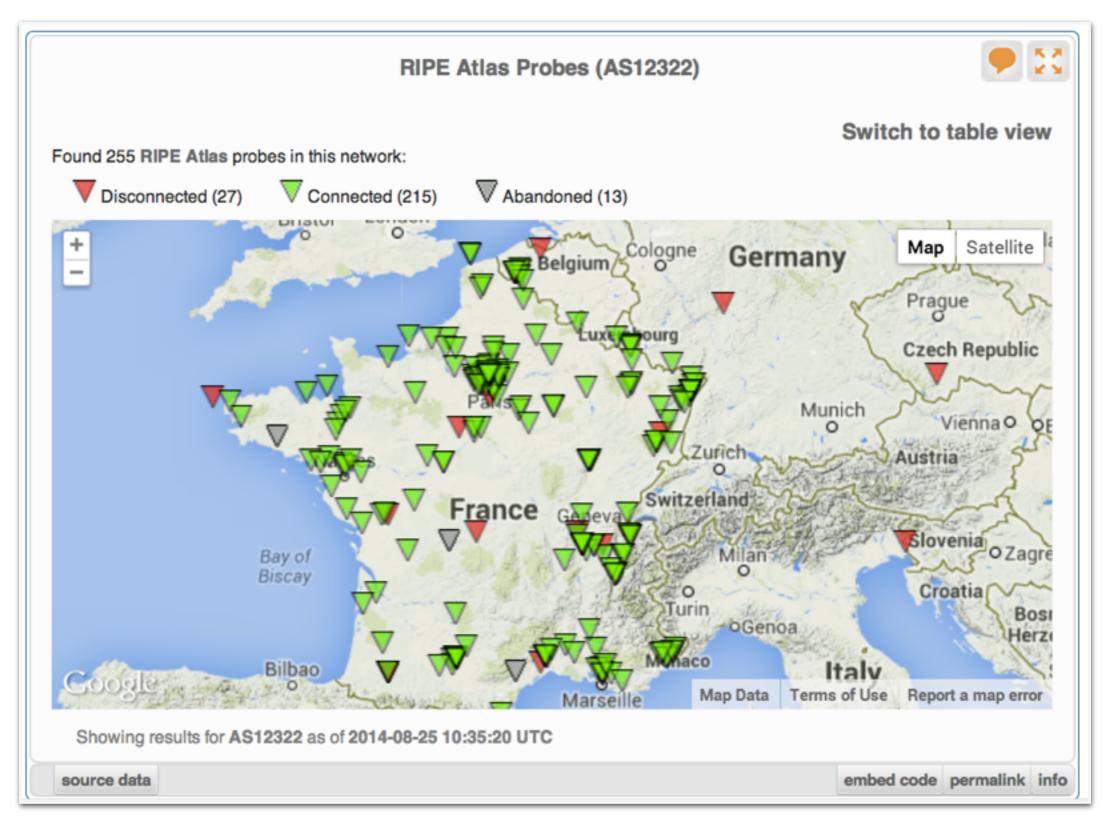
Where is B-root?





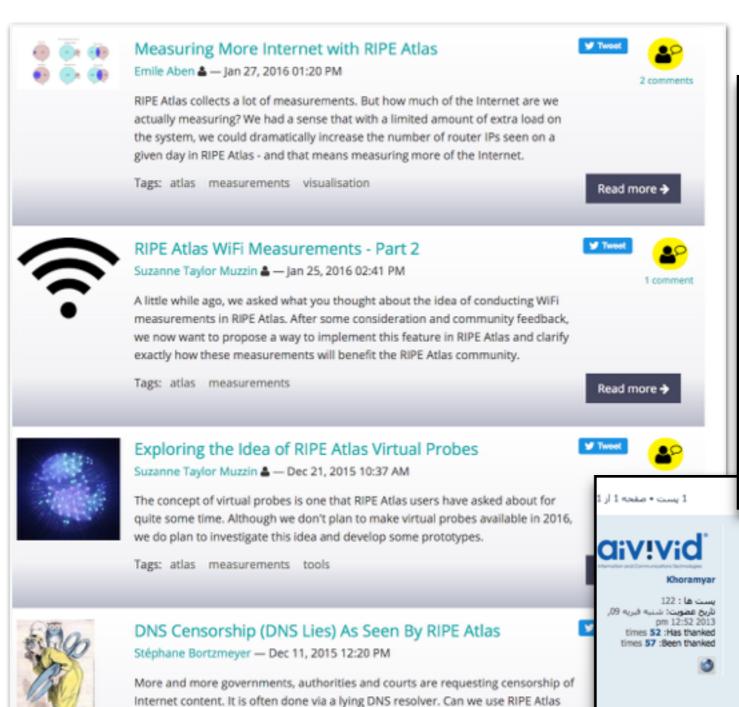
Probes per ASN (in RIPEstat)





Articles, papers, use cases, experiences





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این سنجش ها شامل دستور های ساده شبکه مثل Ping - Traceroute و چند سنجش دیگر مثل DNS و امثال آنها است.

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probes to see it, and how?

Searching for probes



https://atlas.ripe.net/probes/ Filter based on ASN, country, RIPE NCC location... RIPE Database (Whois) Website Search IP Address or ASN Publications About Us Manage IPs and ASNs > Analyse Participate Get Support You are here: Home > Analyse > Internet Measurements > RIPE Atlas > Probes Probes This is a list of all current RIPE Atlas probes, including information specific to each probe. More probes are continually · Learn more about probes · See the probes map · Apply for your own probe - T X Filter by id/asn/country/description IPv4/v6 Any Country Public Login to see more ASN v4 ASN v6 Country Description Connection Status 1103 1103 SURFnet by 4 weeks 6146 60781 60781 △ 4 weeks Leaseweb Network B.V.

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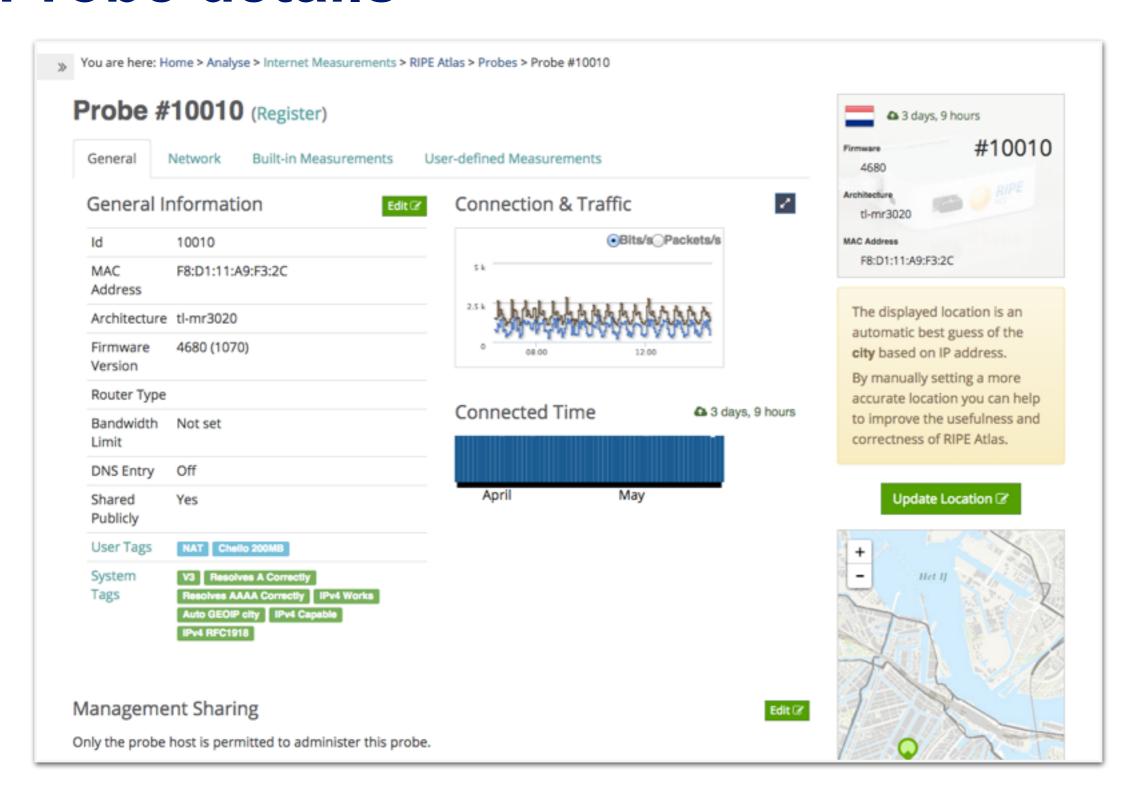
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Probe details

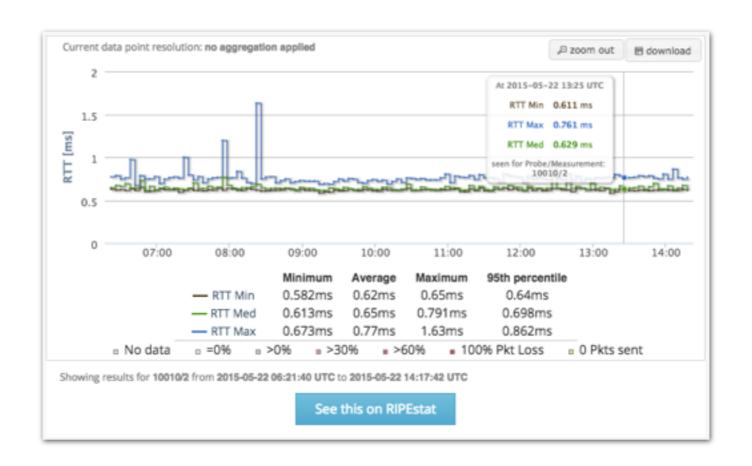




Zoomable ping graph



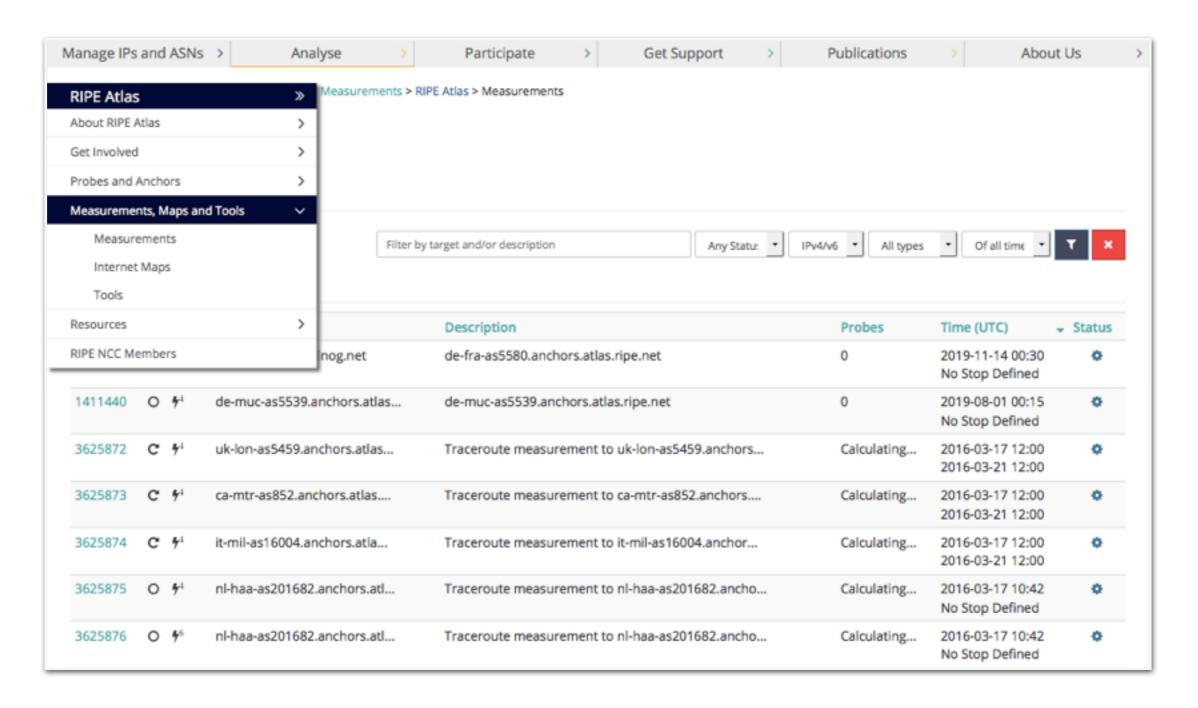
- Zoom in / out in time, in the same graph
- Easier visualisation of an event's details
- Selection of RTT class (max, min, average)



Looking up measurements results



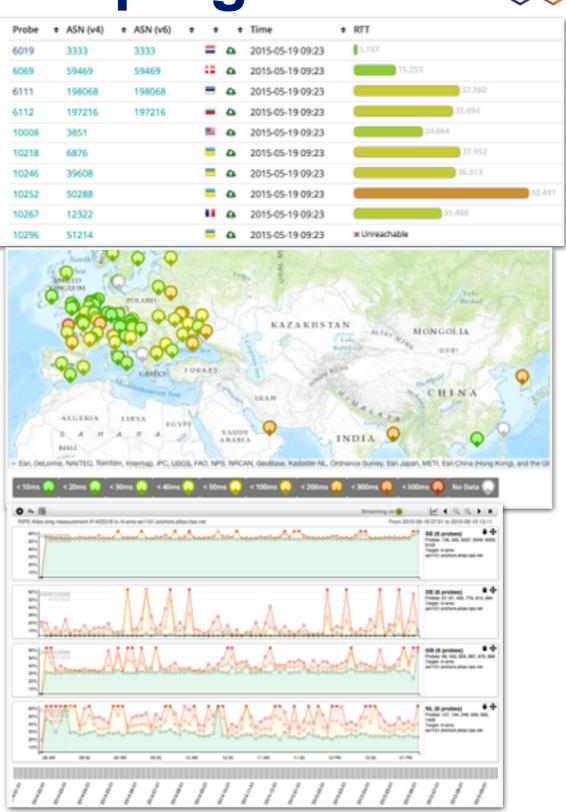
https://atlas.ripe.net/measurements/



Available visualisations: ping



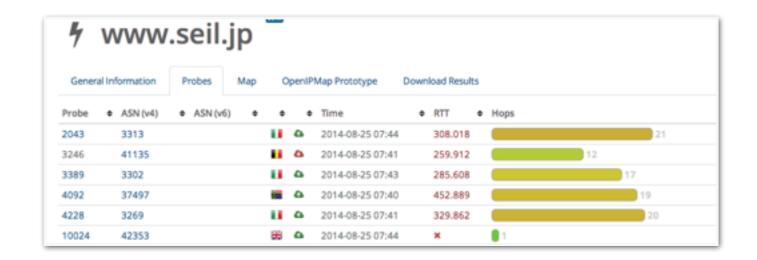
- List of probes: sortable by RTT
- Map: colour-coded by RTT
- LatencyMON: compare multiple latency trends



Available visualisations: traceroute



- List of probes, colour-coded number of hops
- Map
- Traceroute paths map, geolocation using OpenIPMap: github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community/ openipmap



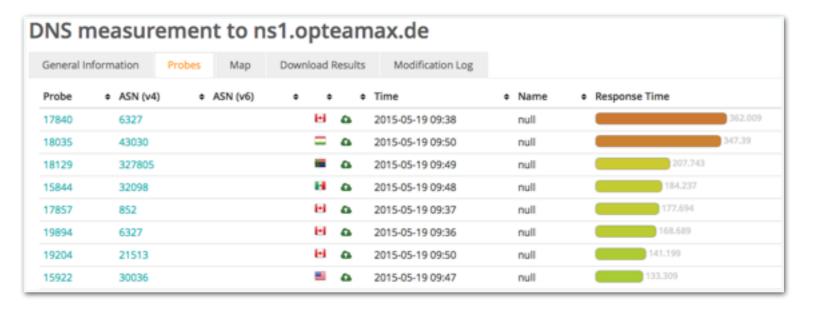


Available visualisations: DNS



- Map, colour-coded response time or diversity
- List of probes, sortable by response time

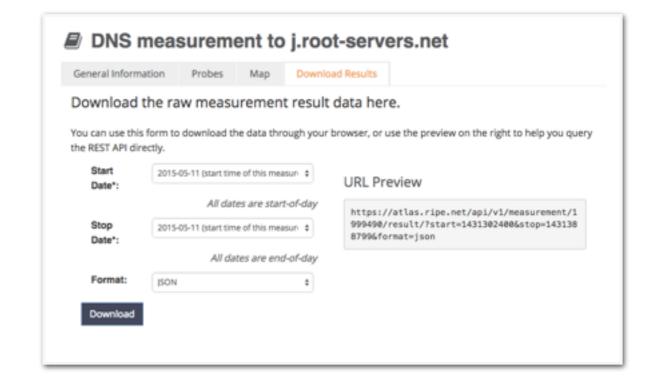




Downloading measurements results



- Click on msm, then "Download"
- Or go to URL
- Or use the API
- Results in JSON
- Libraries for parsing available on GitHub



- github.com/RIPE-NCC/ripe.atlas.sagan
- github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community/

Looking at the result



Destination (IP & name)

```
[{"af":6, "avg" 61.32,
"dst_addr": "2a00:1450:4004:802::1014", "dst name": "www.google.com",
"dup":0,
"from": "2001:8a0:7f00:b201:220:4aff:fec5:5b5b",
                                                             Packet loss:
                                           Source (probe
"fw":4660,"lts":411,
                                                              difference
                                         public IP address)
                                                            between sent &
"max":62.148, "min":60.372,
                                                              received!
"msm id":1004005, "msm name": "Ping",
"prb id":722, "proto": "ICMP", "rcvd":10
{"rtt":61.794}, {"rtt".o1.533}, {"rtt":60.372}, {"rtt":60.373}, {"rtt":61.384},
{"rtt":61.267}
"sent":10, "size"64,
```

"src addr": "2001:8a0:7f00:b201:220:4aff:fec5:5b5b",

"step":240, "timestamp":1410220847, "ttl":54, "type": "ping"},

Reference

(msm ID)

Use existing measurements



- There are many measurements already running!
- Search for existing public measurements first...
- Only then schedule your own measurement if you don't find what you're looking for



Creating a Measurement

Benefits of your own measurements



- A customer reports a problem: they cannot reach one of your servers
 - You can schedule pings or traceroutes from up to 500 RIPE Atlas probes from a particular region to check where the problem might be
- Measuring packet loss on a suspected "bad" link
- Testing anycast deployment

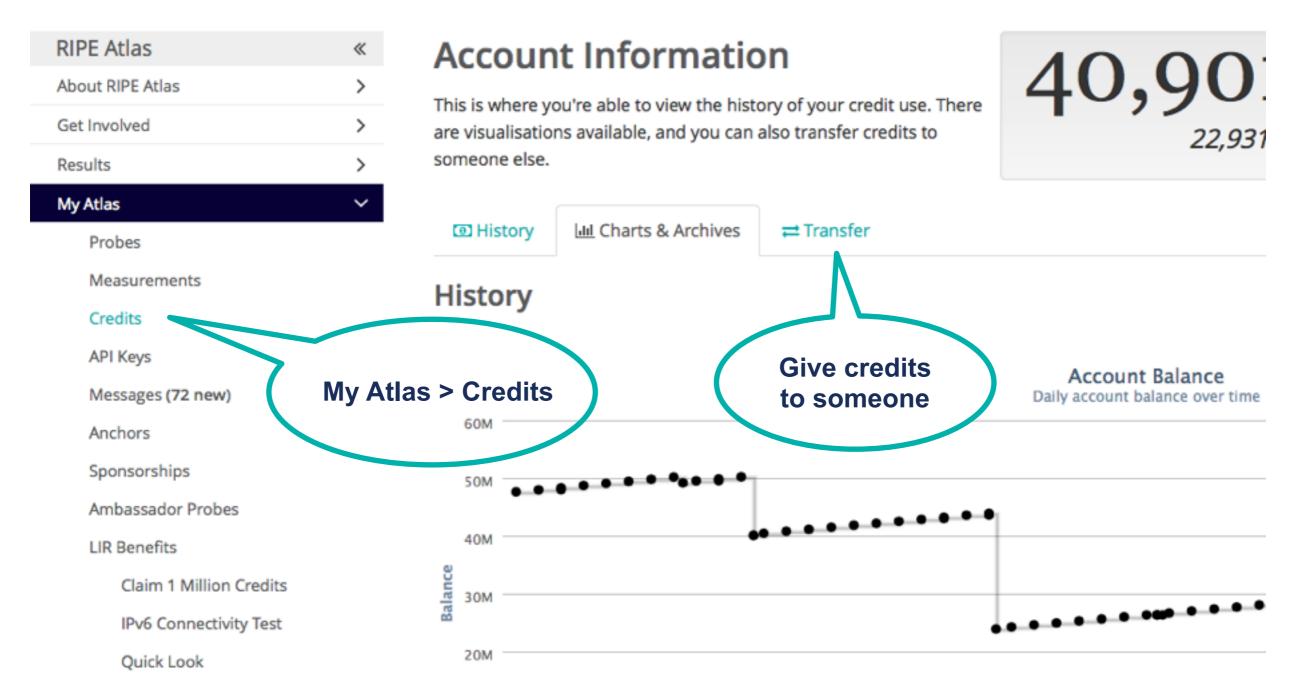
Credits system



- Running your own measurements costs credits: ping = 10 credits, traceroute = 20, etc.
- Why? Fairness and to avoid overload
- Daily spending limit and max measurements user can create
- Earn credits by:
 - Hosting a RIPE Atlas probe + extra credits for:
 - Being a RIPE NCC member
 - Hosting an anchor
 - Sponsoring probes

Credits overview

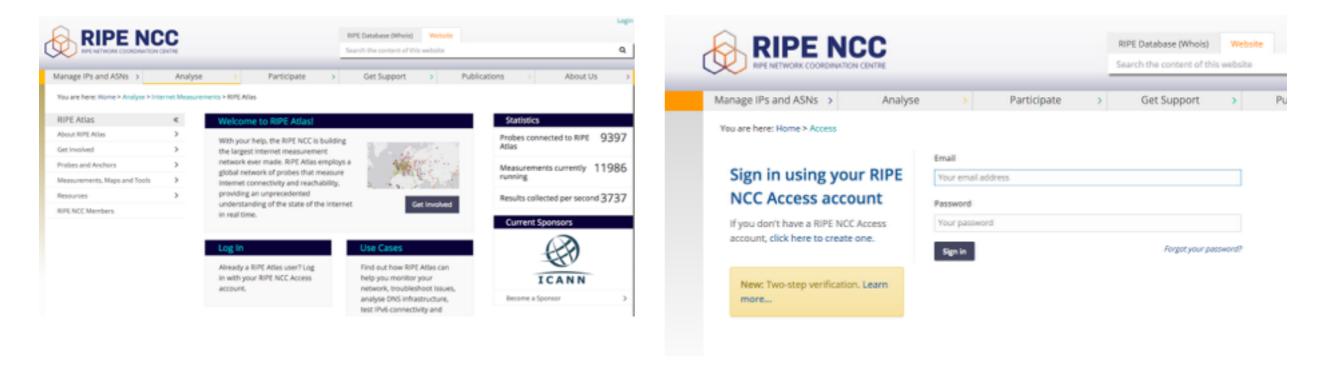




Logging in



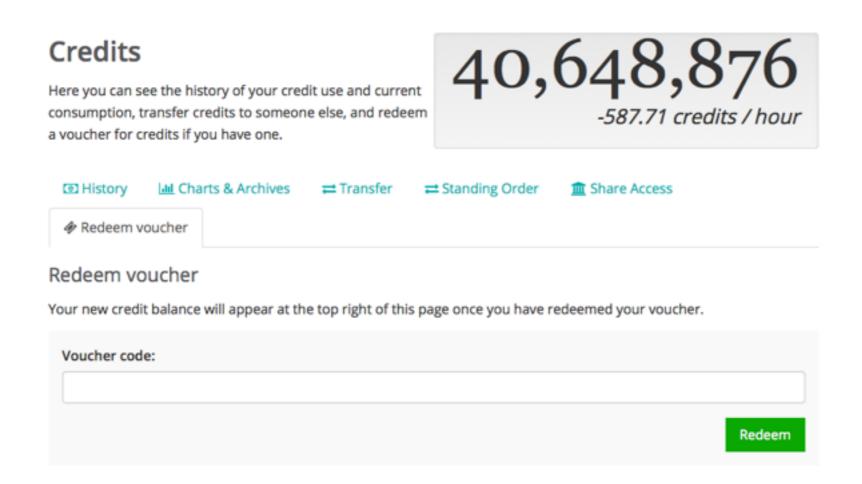
- Log in to atlas.ripe.net
 - Use your RIPE NCC Access account
 - Same account for LIR Portal, RIPE Atlas, RIPEstat, RIPE Labs...
 - Create an account if you don't have one already



Get credits



- Do you have credits to spend?
 - Redeem this voucher "menog16-tutorial"
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/user/credits/#!redeem



Scheduling a measurement



- Log in to <u>atlas.ripe.net</u>
- "My Atlas" > "Measurements"
- Three methods:
 - 1. Quick and easy
 - Choose measurement type
 - Specify target
 - Done!
 - 2. Advanced GUI usage
 - 3. Scripting using API

2: Using GUI to schedule a measurement



- Mostly used for a periodic, long time measurement
 - If just once, ASAP, choose "One-off"
- Choose type, target, frequency, # of probes, region...
 - Interactive interface helps you at each step
- Each measurement will have unique ID
- "API Compatible Specification" is generated by the GUI

3: Using API to schedule a measurement



- Scripting with the API
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/measurement-creation-api/
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/keys/
- You will need API keys
 - To create measurements without logging in
 - To securely share your measurement data

API documentation



- https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/measurementcreation-api/
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/doc/credits
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/doc/udm
- https://atlas.ripe.net/keys/



Exercise

Create a measurement

Tasks



- Create a ping measurement:
 - Involving ten probes
 - To a target of your choice
 - Source is your country
 - Duration of two days
- 1. Warm-up: Create a measurement using the GUI
- 2. Create API Key
- 3. Schedule a measurement using the API

Sub-task 1: Use web interface



Create a New Measurement

Please select the type of measurement you want to create

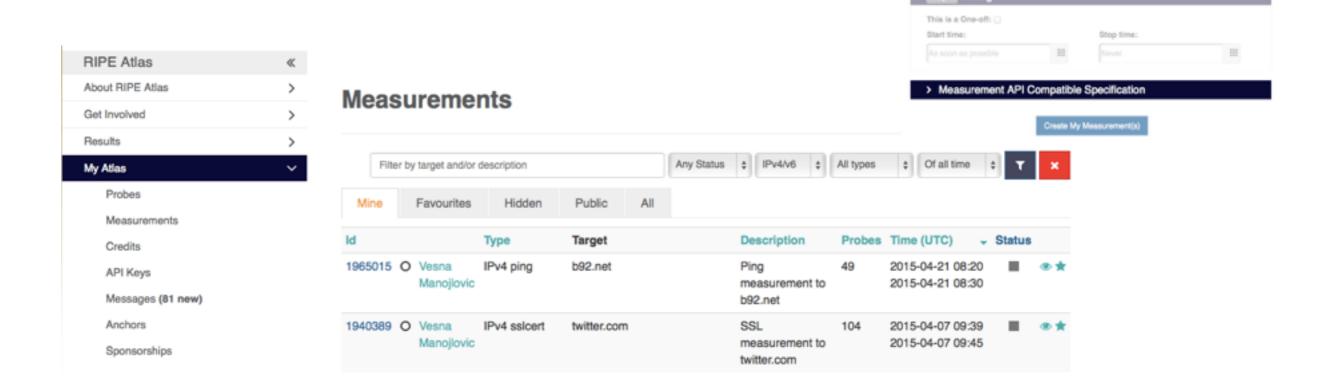
+ Ping + Traceroute + DNS + SSL + NTP

Step 1 Definitions

 Useful hint: once you generate a measurement, copy "API Compatible

Specification" to text file

Note Measurement-ID



Sub-task 2: Create API key

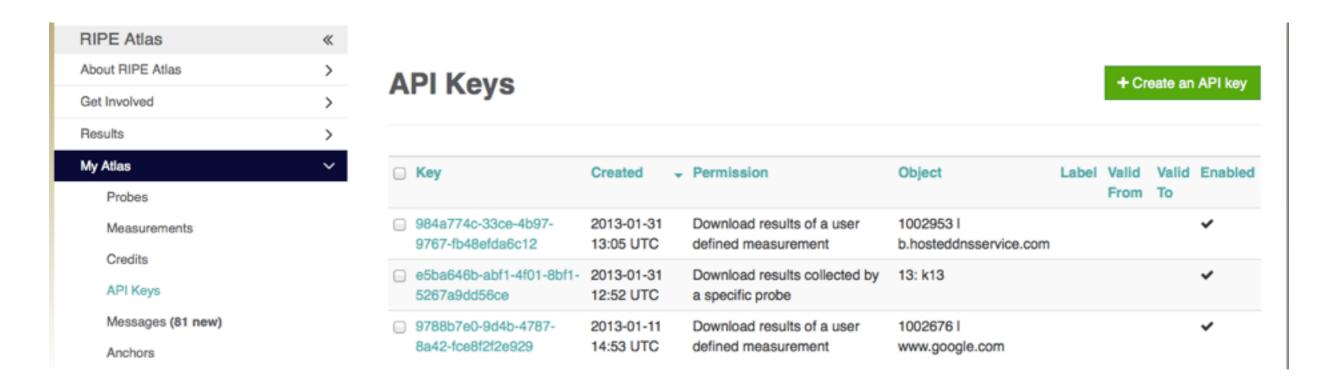


- Click on "Create an API Key"
- Choose type: "create a new user-defined measurement"
- "Object" is not applicable (N/A) for this type
- Give it a label

(...cont) Sub-task 2: Create API key



- Give it a duration of validity (leave empty for defaults)
- "Key" value to be passed on to the API call (next step)



Sub-task 3: Use API



- Schedule a measurement using API
 - Use the "key" you just generated
 - Hint: copy and past API call syntax from the measurement generated by the GUI

```
$ curl -H "Content-Type: application/json" -H "Accept: application/json" -X POST
-d '{ "definitions": [ { "target": "ping.xs4all.nl", "description": "My First API
Measurement", "type": "ping", "af": 4 } ], "probes": [ { "requested": 10, "type":
"country", "value": "RS" } ] }' https://atlas.ripe.net/api/v1/measurement/?
key=YOUR API KEY
```

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Terminal Shell Edit View Window Help

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Command-line (CLI) Toolset

RIPE Atlas CLI



- Network troubleshooting for command line pros
- Familiar output (ping, dig, traceroute)
- Linux/OSX
 - http://ripe-atlas-tools.readthedocs.org/en/latest/ installation.html#requirements-and-installation
- Windows [experimental]
 - https://github.com/chrisamin/ripe-atlas-tools-win32

Install RIPE Atlas tools on Ubuntu



- https://ripe-atlas-tools.readthedocs.org/en/ latest/
- \$ sudo apt-get install python-dev libffi-dev libssl-dev
- \$ sudo apt-get install python-virtualenv python-pip
- Setup vritualenv
- pip install ripe.atlas.tools

Install RIPE Atlas tools on *nix



- Install virtualenv
 - \$ sudo easy_install pip
 - \$ sudo pip install virtualenv
- Create virtualenv for atlas-tools
 - \$ virtualenv venv-atlas
- Activate virtualenv (note the '.')
 - \$.venv-atlas/bin/activate
- Install atlas-tools\$ pip install ripe.atlas.tools
- Add to PATH export PATH=\$PATH: \(^/\)/venv-atlas/bin

Install RIPE Atlas tools on Windows



- github.com/chrisamin/ripe-atlas-tools-win32
- github.com/chrisamin/ripe-atlas-tools-win32/ releases/download/v0.1.1/ RipeAtlasToolsSetup.exe

RIPE Atlas CLI



- Open source
 - RIPE NCC-led community contribution
- Documentation
 - https://ripe-atlas-tools.readthedocs.org/
- Source:
 - https://github.com/RIPE-NCC/ripe-atlas-tools/
- How to contribute:
 - https://github.com/RIPE-NCC/ripe-atlas-tools/blob/master/ CONTRIBUTING.rst

Configure RIPE Atlas CLI



- Reuse the API key of the previous exercise
 - Or create a new one at https://atlas.ripe.net/keys/
- Configure your CLI
 - ripe-atlas configure --set authorisation.create=MY_API_KEY

Fetch an existing measurement



- Fetch the ping measurement 2340408
 - ripe-atlas report 2340408

Search probes



- Search all probes in AS3333
 - ripe-atlas probes --asn 3333
- Show specific fields
 - ripe-atlas probes --asn 3333 --field asn_v6 --field country
 --field is_public --field description --field status
- Search for probes in and around Istanbul
 - ripe-atlas probes --location "Istanbul, Turkey" --radius 15

Create a measurement



- Create a ping measurement to wikipedia.org
 - One-off, default parameters
 - 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...
                                          to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=50 times:41.979, 41.492,
48 bytes from probe #18433 94.112.176.45
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,
                                          to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=58 times:36.501,
48 bytes from probe #20313 5.199.160.9
                                          to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=52 times:28.747,
48 bytes from probe #22573 89.176.43.44
48 bytes from probe #19413 89.71.47.56
                                          to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=51 times:49.89,
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48 bytes from probe #18635 78.52.132.137
                                          to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=57 times:37.462,
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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,
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                                          to 91.198.174.192 (91.198.174.192): ttl=59 times:36.073, 35.788,
48 bytes from probe #12584 46.175.22.202
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Other examples of ping



- Geo-specific from 20 probes from Canada:
 - ripe-atlas measure ping --target example.com --probes 20
 --from-country ca
- 20 Canadian probes that definitely 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



Exercise

Using RIPE Atlas CLI

Search probes



- Use the traceroute command to test the reachability of wikipedia.org on TCP port 443 from 20 probes in France
- Render the results collected in the previous exercise in JSON format

Search probes



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 - ripe-atlas measure traceroute --protocol TCP --target wikipedia.org --port 443 --probes 20 --from-country fr
- Render the results collected in the previous exercise in JSON format
 - ripe-atlas report {MSM ID} --renderer raw



Monitoring

See your network from the outside



- Integrate "status checks" with existing monitoring tools (such as Icinga)
- Developed by community: RIPE Atlas Monitor
- Using real-time data streaming
 - Server monitoring
 - Detecting and visualising outages

Steps for integration



- 1. Create a RIPE Atlas ping measurement
- 2. Go to "status checks" URL (RESTful API call)
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/api/v1/status-checks/2340408/?
 median_rtt_threshold=10
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/status-checks/
- 3. Add your alerts in Nagios or Icinga
 - Make use of the built-in "check_http" plugin
 - https://github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community/ripe-atlascommunity-contrib/blob/master/ scripts_for_nagios_icinga_alerts

Versatile "RIPE Atlas Monitor"



- Pier Carlo Chiodi's work (@pierky)
 - https://github.com/pierky/ripe-atlas-monitor
 - https://ripe-atlas-monitor.readthedocs.org/
- Additional use cases: traceroute analysis, hostname resolution, AS path detection, verifying TLS connections...
- Recently published on RIPE Labs
 - https://labs.ripe.net/Members/pier_carlo_chiodi/ripe-atlas-monitor

RIPE Atlas streaming



- RIPE Atlas streaming is an architecture that allows users to receive the measurement results as soon as they are sent by the probes
 - in real time
 - Publish/subscribe through web sockets
- There are three types of data:
 - Measurement results
 - Probe connection status events
 - Measurements metadata

RIPE Atlas streaming



- Visualising network outages
 - http://sg-pub.ripe.net/demo-area/atlas-stream/conn/
- Real-time server and performance monitoring
- Filtering and reusing measurement results
- Documentation:
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/result-streaming/



Exercise

Using streaming API

EX1: Monitoring server reachability



- Scenario: customers sometimes complain that it occasionally takes a long time to reach your service or server
- Action: ping your server from 500 probes
 - Decide what is acceptable latency threshold to apply
 - Notice and react when you start receiving samples
- Task: Use the ping measurement ID 2340408
 - Choose which threshold (e.g. greater than 30ms)
 - Imposes the threshold on "min" (the minimum result of the three ping attempts)

Steps



- Go to http://atlas.ripe.net/webinar/streaming01.html
- 2. Open the development console
- 3. Wait for results to arrive
- 4. Save the HTML file locally and edit the code

Page source



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       <head>
           <title>Streaming exercise 01</title>
           <meta charset="UTF-8">
           <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
       </head>
       <body>
           <div>Current maximum RTT: <b><span id="output">nothing yet</span></b></div>
           <div>Open the source code to see how it works. Create your tool/visualisation with the
   RIPE Atlas streaming!</div>
       </body>
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       <script src="https://stat.ripe.net/widgets/lib/js/jquery/jquery-1.11.2.min.js"></script>
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       <!-- The following file is needed for the streaming -->
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       <script src="https://atlas-stream.ripe.net/socket.io.js"></script>
       <script>
           var $outputDiv = $("#output");
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           // Create a connection
           var socket = io("https://atlas-stream.ripe.net", { path : "/stream/socket.io" });
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           // Declare a callback to be executed when a measurement result is received
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           socket.on("atlas_result", function(result){
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               console.log("I received ", result); // Print the result in the console
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               if (result.hasOwnProperty("max")) {
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                    SoutputDiv.html(result["max"]); // Print the result in the html page
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           });
           // Subscribe to results coming from all the probes involved in the measurement 2340408
           socket.emit("atlas subscribe", { stream type: "result", msm: 2340408 });
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Example of results



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              Regex
                              Errors Warnings Info Logs Debug
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 XHR finished loading: GET "http://atlas-stream.ripe.net/stream/socket.io/?EIO=2&transport=polling&t=1431095373739-1&sid=eB0kM7zfWFT2c-ScAAaH".
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 16669, result: Array[3], ttl: 42, avg: 326.841...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 16669, result: Array[3], ttl: 42, avg: 325.79333333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 16669, result: Array[3], ttl: 42, avg: 326.048...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 16669, result: Array[3], ttl: 42, avg: 327.32533333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 15965, result: Array[3], ttl: 45, avg: 47.6313333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 15965, result: Array[3], ttl: 45, avg: 47.6996666667...}
 I received > Object {af: 4, prb_id: 15965, result: Array[3], ttl: 45, avg: 47.4816666667...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 19566, result: Array[3], ttl: 40, avg: 47.054...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 19566, result: Array[3], ttl: 40, avg: 47.8626666667...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 19566, result: Array[3], ttl: 40, avg: 47.5946666667...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 19566, result: Array[3], ttl: 40, avg: 47.5003333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 18311, result: Array[3], ttl: 49, avg: 32.577...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 18311, result: Array[3], ttl: 49, avg: 34.0843333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 18311, result: Array[3], ttl: 49, avg: 32.75133333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 16010, result: Array[3], ttl: 46, avg: 182.44633333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 16010, result: Array[3], ttl: 46, avg: 193.99533333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 16010, result: Array[3], ttl: 46, avg: 182.29133333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 16010, result: Array[3], ttl: 46, avg: 191.61033333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 14918, result: Array[3], ttl: 49, avg: 34.817...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 14918, result: Array[3], ttl: 49, avg: 35.00933333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 14918, result: Array[3], ttl: 49, avg: 35.0843333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 20668, result: Array[3], ttl: 45, avg: 38.884666667...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 20668, result: Array[3], ttl: 45, avg: 38.8626666667...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 20668, result: Array[3], ttl: 45, avg: 38.8806666667...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 6093, result: Array[3], ttl: 49, avg: 128.7273333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 6093, result: Array[3], ttl: 49, avg: 128.7373333333...}
 I received ▶ Object {af: 4, prb_id: 6093, result: Array(3), ttl: 49, avg: 128.88833333333...}
```

EX2: Monitoring server reachability



- Imagine you are in the situation described in the exercise before, but you didn't schedule a measurement in advance
 - You don't have a measurement ID
- You want to get all the measurements reaching 193.0.10.197
- Now restrict the results to just include ping measurements



More RIPE Atlas features

Most popular features



- Six types of measurements: ping, traceroute, DNS, SSL/TLS, NTP and HTTP (to anchors)
- APIs to start measurements and get results
- Powerful and informative visualisations
- CLI tools
- Streaming data: real-time results
- Plus: "Time Travel", LatencyMON, DomainMON
- Roadmap

Latest results API



- https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/measurement-latestapi/
 - Widget monitoring value in real time (100 probes pinging websites worldwide)
 - Alert based on average measurements per hour
 - Big network event, e.g. Internet outage in a region
 - DNS domain monitoring; configurable measurements using ten RIPE Atlas anchors
- https://labs.ripe.net/Members/ suzanne_taylor_muzzin/ripe-atlas-latestresults-api-and-parsing-library

Secure measurement creation and sharing



- Use API keys to:
 - Create measurements without logging in
 - Securely share your measurement data with others
- To create, manage and delete API keys:
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/keys/
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/keys2/
- Examples:
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/rest/

Security aspects



Probes:

- Hardware trust material (regular server address, keys)
- No open ports; initiate connection; NAT is okay
- Don't listen to local traffic
- No passive measurements
- Measurements triggered by "command servers"

(...cont) Security aspects



- Inverse SSH tunnels
- Source code published
- Reported vulnerabilities:
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/security/

Crowdsourced Infrastructure Geolocation: OpenIPMap



- Visualising traceroutes on the map is difficult!
 - Routers' geolocation data is often very inaccurate
 - RIPE Atlas performs many traceroutes through Internet core
- Community of operators contributes data to Open IP Map (think: OpenStreetMap for IPs)
 - https://marmot.ripe.net/openipmap/
- You can modify, reuse and improve the code
 - https://github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community/openipmap

IXP Country Jedi



Tool and concept by Emile Aben

- https://github.com/emileaben/ixp-country-jedi
- https://labs.ripe.net/Members/emileaben/measuring-ixpswith-ripe-atlas

Method

- Traceroute mesh between RIPE Atlas probes
- Hops geolocated using "OpenIPMap" database



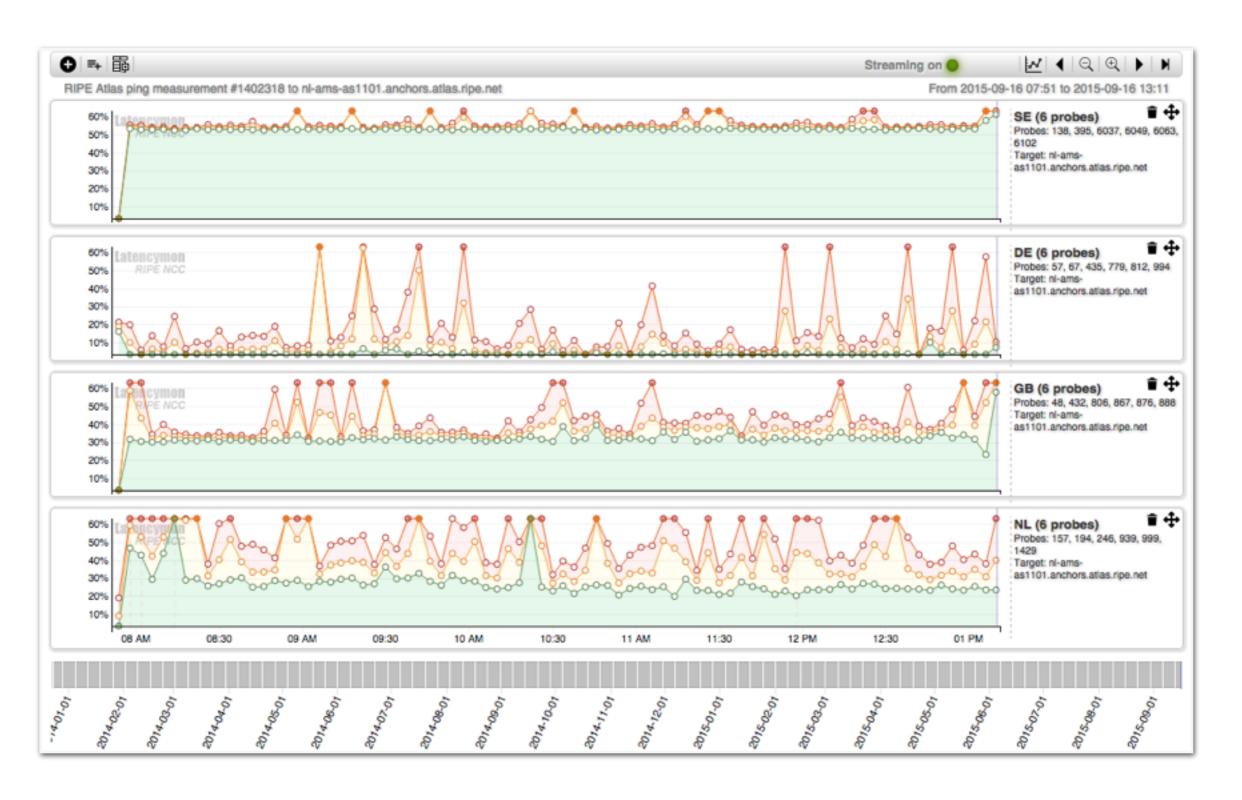
Part Two



LatencyMON

LatencyMON





LatencyMON packet loss

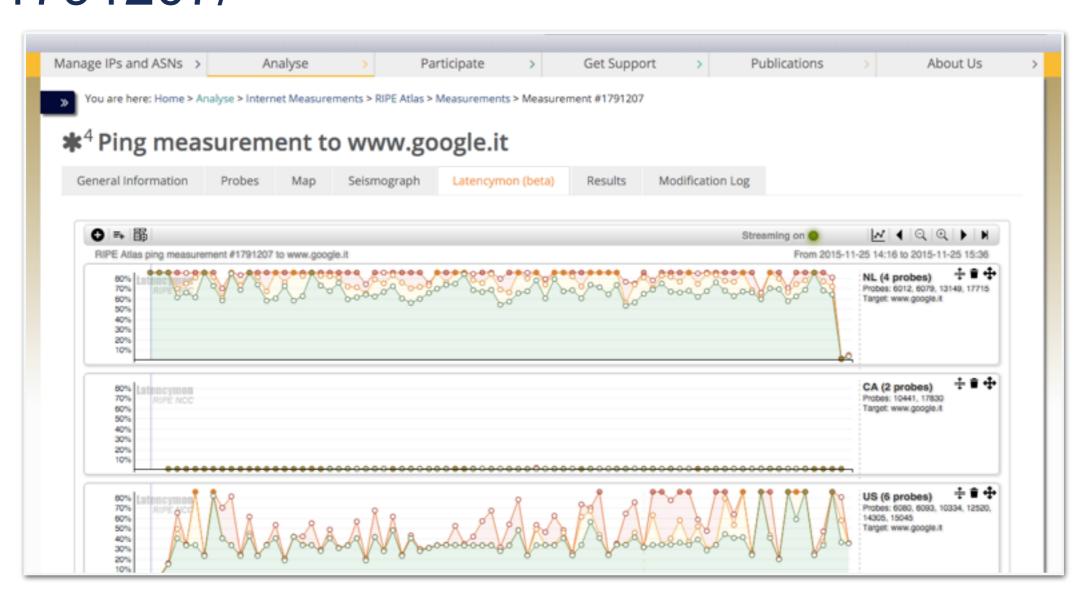




LatencyMON tab



 Demo: https://atlas.ripe.net/measurements/ 1791207/



LatencyMON goals



- Performance comparisons to reach a service or website from different countries or providers
- Measuring the spread of a network outage
- Measuring and comparing CDN or DNS resolution in multiple geographic areas

(...cont) LatencyMON goals



- Reusing measurements even for measurement types other than ping - to get information about latencies
- Comparing multiple ISPs or hosting providers at the same time from vantage points with characteristics similar to those at the user end
- Creating views that are easily shareable and can be embedded in reports

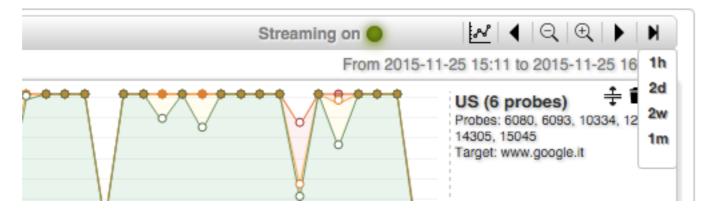
Monitoring with LatencyMON



Embed latencyMON

```
<script src="https://atlas.ripe.net/resource/latencymon/latencymon-widget-main.js"></script>
<div id="place-here"></div>
<script>
    initLatencymon(
        '#place-here',
        {}, // Tool options, see table below for more info
        { measurements:[1791207, 2083078] } // Query options, see table below for more info
        );
</script>
```

Enable real-time streaming



 Documentation: https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/ tools-latencymon/#embed



Exercise

Check your geographical distribution

Tasks 1/2



- You want to improve the geographical distribution of your contents by checking where the delay can be reduced
 - You created a measurement in the previous exercise and you have the measurement ID (otherwise use: 1791207)
 - Click on the LatencyMON tab of your measurement
 - Delete all the default-created charts

Tasks 2/2



- Create one group of two probes from DE (Germany)
- Create one group of two probes from NL (Netherlands)
- Create one group of two probes from US (United States)
- What is the country with the greatest latency in your case? Type it in the chat!



Exercise

Compare HTTP over IPv4 and IPv6

Tasks



- You want to check the performances of accessing an infrastructure over IPv4 and IPv6 (two measurements) as a real end user
 - You need an anchor for HTTP measurements! e.g. use https://atlas.ripe.net/probes/6001/_
 - Open the LatencyMON tab of the HTTP IPv6 (2841527) measurement
 - Add the HTTP IPv4 measurement ID in LatencyMON (2841526)
 - Create two groups of eight probes each: one per measurement
- Share the link of the view of the last two days



Finding results of public measurements

Use existing measurements

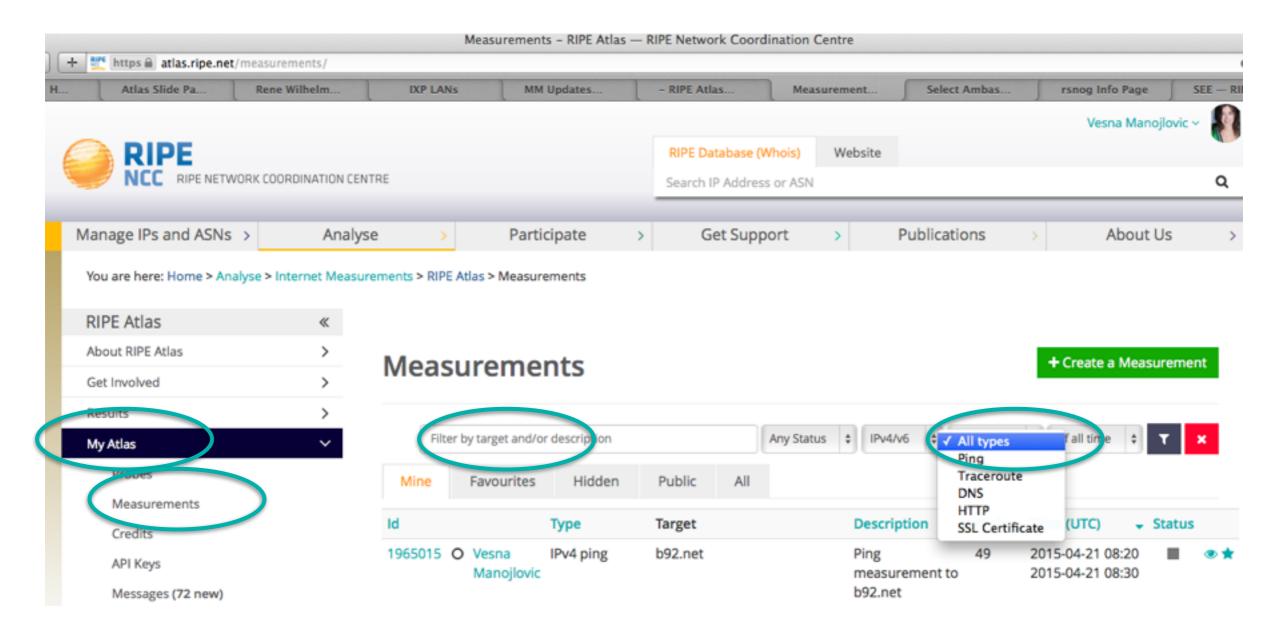


- There are many measurements already running!
- Search for existing public measurements first
- Schedule your own measurement if you don't find what you're looking for

Looking up measurements results



Go to "My Atlas" > "Measurements"



Documentation



- Documentation for analysing measurements results:
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/docs/rest/
 - https://github.com/RIPE-NCC/ripe.atlas.sagan
- More tools:
 - https://github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community
 - https://github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community/ripe-atlascommunity-contrib/blob/master/README.md



Exercise

Analyse measurement results

Tasks



- Download results of a specific public measurement
- Read the text of the result, to understand structure

Task 1: Download measurement results



- Find the measurement
 - ping, IPv6 to google.com
 - msm-ID 1004005
- Click on measurement, then "Download"
 - Specify the time period
 - (for example, YESTERDAY)
- Results in JSON

Tips for downloading results



- Solution URL:
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/api/v1/measurement/1004005/result/? start=1435104000&stop=1435276799&format=json
- Save the measurement(s) locally
 - -\$ curl https://atlas.ripe.net/api/v1/
 measurement/1004005/result/?
 start=1435104000&stop=1435276799&format=json
 > measurement-test.json

Task 2: Look at the result



Destination (IP & name)

```
[{"af":6,"avg" 61.32,

"dst_addr":"2a00:1450:4004:802::1014", "dst_name":"www.google.com",

"dup":0,

"from":"2001:8a0:7f00:b201:220:4aff:fec5:5b5b",
```

"fw":4660,"lts":411,

Reference

(msm ID)

"max":62.148, "min":60.372,

"msm_id":1004005,"msm_name":"Ping",

"prb_id":722, "proto": "ICMP", "rcvd":10,

"result":[{"rtt":62.148},{"rtt":61.437},{"rtt":61.444},{"rtt":61.448},
{"rtt":61.794},{"rtt":61.533},{"rtt":60.372},{"rtt":60.373},{"rtt":61.384},
{"rtt":61.267}],

"sent":10, "size"64,

"src_addr":"2001:8a0:7f00:b201:220:4aff:fec5:5b5b",

"step":240, "timestamp":1410220847, "ttl":54, "type": "ping"},

Source (probe public IP address)

Packet loss:
difference
between sent &
received!

Task 3: Analyse results (optional)



- Find out how many times RTT was above 60ms
 - Use Python or Javascript or something else
- For the Javascript solution, you can use this as a starting point:
 - https://stat.ripe.net/widgets/demo/script_me.html

Task 4: Examples of code



Python:

Parse json and find total avg:

```
import json
f = open("measurement.json","r")
measurements = json.load(f)
for m in measurements:
    for r in m["result"]:
        rtt = r["rtt"]
if rtt >60: i += 1
i must be > than 14563.
```

Javascript:

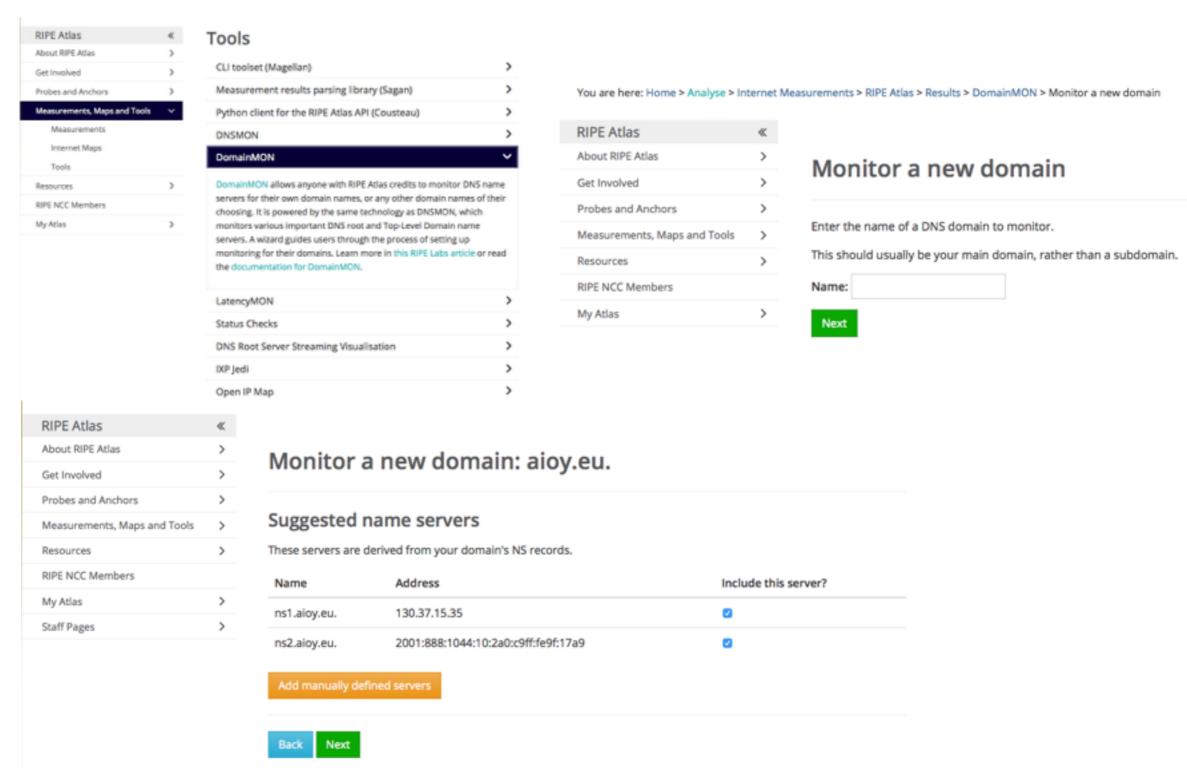
```
<script>
var dataAPIUrl = "https://atlas.ripe.net/api/v1/
measurement/1004005/result/?
start=1410220800"; jQuery.ajax({
url: dataAPIUrl, error: function() {
alert("error"); },
success: function( response ) { var i = 0;
for (var i = 0, n = response.length; <math>i < n; i++)
{ var measurement = response[i];
for (var j = 0, m = measurement.result.length; j
<m; j++) { var rtt = measurement.result[j].rtt;
console.log(rtt);
if (rtt > 60)
i++; }
jQuery("p").html("The RTT has been above
60ms for " + i + " times");
},
dataType: "jsonp" });
</script>
```



DomainMON

Domain MON





DomainMON Results



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RIPE Atlas anchors

RIPE Atlas anchors



- Well-known targets and powerful probes
 - Regional baseline and "future history"
- Anchoring measurements
 - Measurements between anchors
 - 200 probes targeting each anchor with measurements
 - Each probe measures four-five anchors
 - Vantage points for DNSMON service
- 130+ RIPE Atlas anchors

Locations of anchors





https://atlas.ripe.net/results/maps/network-coverage/#anchors



"IXP country Jedi"

Measuring Impact of IXPs on Keeping Traffic Local

Benefits (part 1)



- Operators
 - Routing and traffic optimisation
- IXP operators
 - Shows how IXPs help keep traffic local and regional
- IPv6 advocates
 - Comparing IPv4 and IPv6 paths

Benefits (part 2)



- Country level: regulators, politicians, cybersecurity...
 - How much traffic stays within the country? Where do the paths go?
 - Comparing countries with each other
- RIPE Atlas community
 - More probes in more networks = higher quality of measurements data

Benefits (part 3)



- Geolocation data community
 - Use case for improving data quality

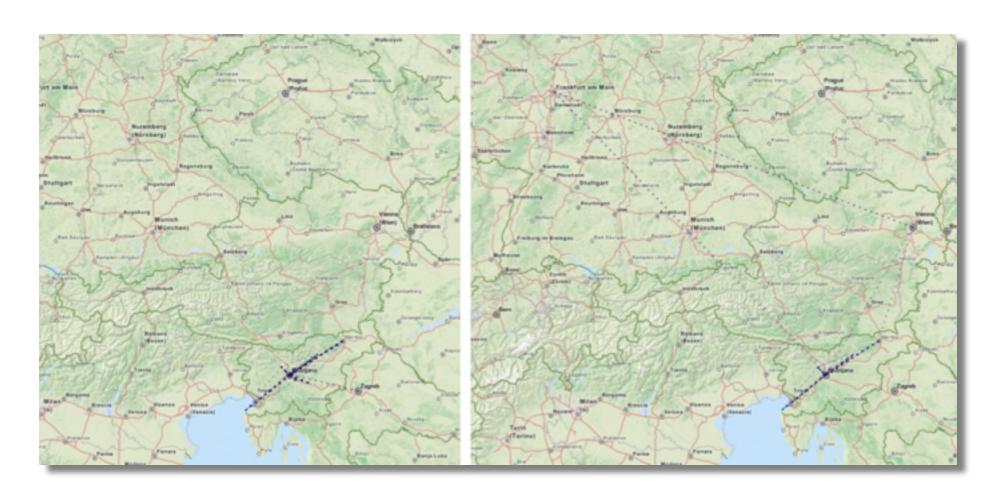
• Examples:

- https://labs.ripe.net/Members/emileaben/measuring-ixpswith-ripe-atlas
- https://labs.ripe.net/Members/emileaben/measuringcountries-and-ixps-in-the-see-region
- http://sg-pub.ripe.net/emile/ixp-country-jedi/CL +AR-2015-04/geopath/

Paths staying in the country?



Difference between IPv4 and IPv6 paths



http://sg-pub.ripe.net/emile/ixp-country-jedi/**SI**-2015-04/geopath/s/**SI**/{RO, BG, HR, BA, ME, AL, GR}/

Paths going via an IXP?



http://sg-pub.ripe.net/emile/ixp-country-jedi/ SI-2015-04/ixpcountry/





Interactive diagnostic tool



- Green: "good", as far as we can see it
 - Not a judgment, only one way of visualising data
- Red or blue: path is going out of country
 - If this is a surprise: talk to your upstream(s)
- Yellow: path is not going via a local IXP
 - If this is undesired: make a new peering agreement
 - http://sg-pub.ripe.net/emile/ixp-country-jedi/SI-2015-04/ixpcountry/

Method



Traceroute measurements using RIPE Atlas probes

Steps:

- Identify ASNs in the country using RIPEstat
- Identify IXPs and IXP LANs using PeeringDB
- Construct mesh: from all (*) country's probes to each other
- *Maximum of two probes per ASN and only "public" probes with "good" geolocation
- Hops geolocated using "OpenIPMap" database

Actions (part 1)



- Use this tool to find possible suboptimal routing and fix it
 - Find your ASN in the mesh
 - Find the person from another ASN
 - Take them out for tea:)

Actions (part 1)



- To improve accuracy of this diagnostic tool
 - If your ASN is not on the graph, apply for a RIPE Atlas probe
 - Add more probes to your country to increase "resolution"
 - If you move, remember to update your probe's geolocation

Actions (part 2)



- Reuse and rewrite the code: it is free and open source software
 - https://github.com/emileaben/ixp-country-jedi
- Improve infrastructure geolocation: contribute data to OpenIPMap!
 - https://marmot.ripe.net/openipmap/
 - https://github.com/RIPE-Atlas-Community/openipmap



Exercise

Setting up "Status Checks"

Tasks



- Set up and configure a "status check"
 - For an existing ping measurement https://atlas.ripe.net/ measurements/2340408/
 - Hint: https://atlas.ripe.net/api/v1/status-checks/2340408/
- Configure the status check in such a way that you will trigger an alert for this measurement
- Optional: set up status check for your own ping measurement!

Solution



- One possible solution:
 - Set the median RTT to a lower level:
 - https://atlas.ripe.net/api/v1/status-checks/2340408/?
 median rtt threshold=10
- Example of the alerts

```
{"total_alerts":32,"global_alert":true,
"probes":{
"18433":{"all":[null,null],"last":null,"last_packet_loss":100.0,"alert":true,"source":"Area: WW","alert_reasons":["loss"]},
"15041":{"source":"Area: WW","last_packet_loss":0.0,"last":19.928,"alert":false},
"18696":{"all":[null,null],"last":null,"last_packet_loss":100.0,"alert":true,"source":"Area: WW","alert_reasons":["loss"]},
"16265":{"source":"Area: WW","last_packet_loss":0.0,"last":22.72,"alert":false},
"20236":{"all":[null,null],"last":null,"last_packet_loss":100.0,"alert":true,"source":"Area: WW","alert_reasons":["loss"]},
"12944":{"all":[null,null,null],"last":null,"last_packet_loss":100.0,"alert":true,"source":"Area: WW","alert_reasons":["loss"]},
"2195":{"all":[null,null,null],"last":null,"last_packet_loss":100.0,"alert":true,"source":"Area: WW","alert_reasons":["loss"]},
```



Take part in the RIPE Atlas community

RIPE Atlas community (part 1)



- Individual volunteers host probes in homes or offices
- Organisations host RIPE Atlas anchors
- Sponsor organisations give financial support or host multiple probes in their own networks

RIPE Atlas community (part 2)



- Ambassadors help distribute probes at conferences, give presentations, etc.
- Developers contribute free and open software
- Network operators create measurements to monitor and troubleshoot
- Researchers and students write papers







Hosting a probe

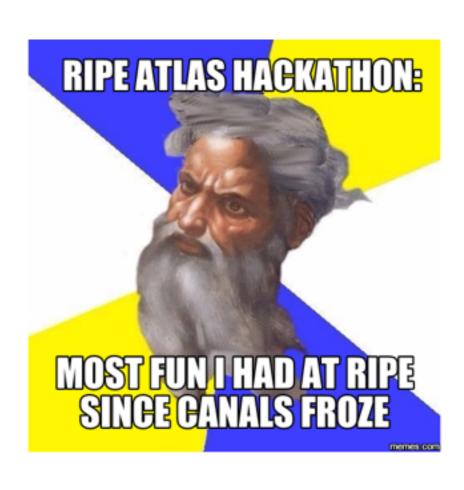


- Create a RIPE NCC Access account
- Go to https://atlas.ripe.net/apply
- You will receive a probe by post
- Register your probe
- Plug in your probe
- If you receive a probe from an ambassador (trainer, sponsor, someone at a conference), just register it and plug it in!

More Hackathons!



- Join the hackathons in 2016
 - Before each RIPE Meeting save the dates!
 - 21-22 May, Copenhagen
 - 22-23 October, Madrid



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