





OpenIPMap

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Crowdsourcing Geolocation of IPs

- Open and crowdsourced mapping of IPs and hostnames to geographical locations
- Emphasis on infrastructure, not eyeballs
- Think of OpenStreetMap for IPs





Creating a database with:

IP



Geographic location

2001:a18:0:404::4

158.64.58.244

lu-lux-as2602.anchors.atlas.ripe.net



Who?

- Anyone can contribute
- Operators have high-quality knowledge
 - Authoritative knowledge of own network



- All Internet users can benefit
- Improves existing geoloc
- Huge potential for improving network diagnostics







- Users can visualise traceroutes
 - Compare changing routes
 - Visually identify outliers / strange routing
- Statistics/Analysis
 - Percentage of observed paths go outside a country?
 - Contribute to tools like RIPEstat and RIPE Atlas
 - Providing raw/bulk data to the community/researchers
- Potentially help answer strategic questions
 - Where to build out my network to/peer?
 - How to reduce latency/improve resiliency/security?





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Location=Warsaw,PL!



Why this solution?

- Crowdsourcing is a proven concept
- Anyone can contribute
 - No need to be authoritative (DNS LOC, registry)
 - It is possible to use a source confidence factor
- Operators have high-quality knowledge
 - e.g. Integrating with RIR authentication we can collect high confidence input
- OpenIPMap should be more global than RIPE NCC service region



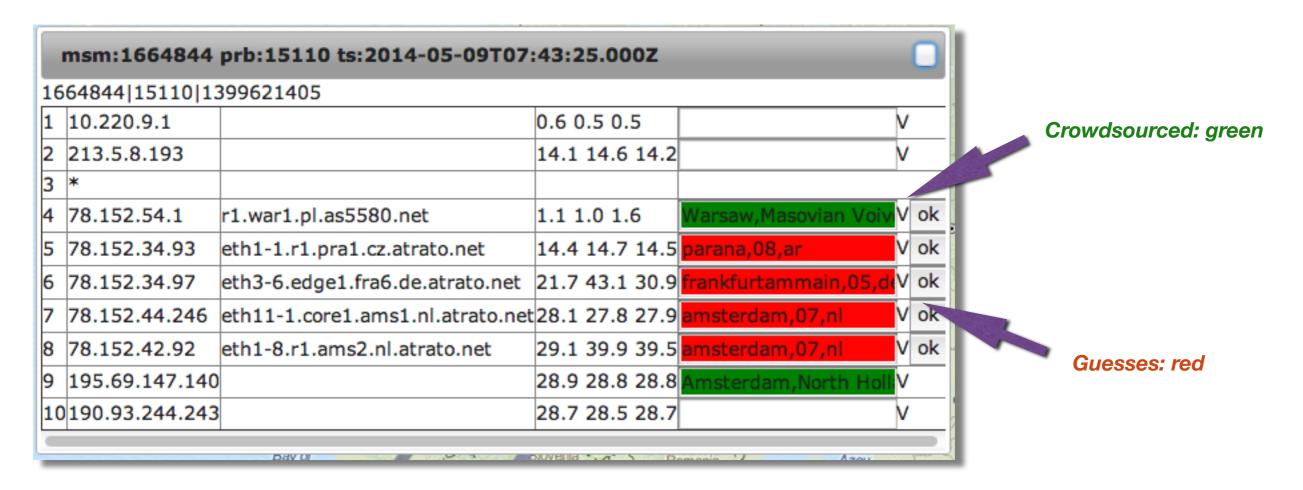
- Import existing data with lower confidence
 - eg. populate with RIPE Database and CAIDA data
- Help crowdsourcing efforts with a suggestion engine
 - Artificial Intelligence
- Capture naming schemes
 - Using tags: simple, but potentially ambiguous
 esams in wikimedia.org = Amsterdam, NL
 - Using regex: complex, but can capture everything
 ^([a-z]{3})\d+.*\.1e100\.net = IATA:\1
 - Domain analysis tool



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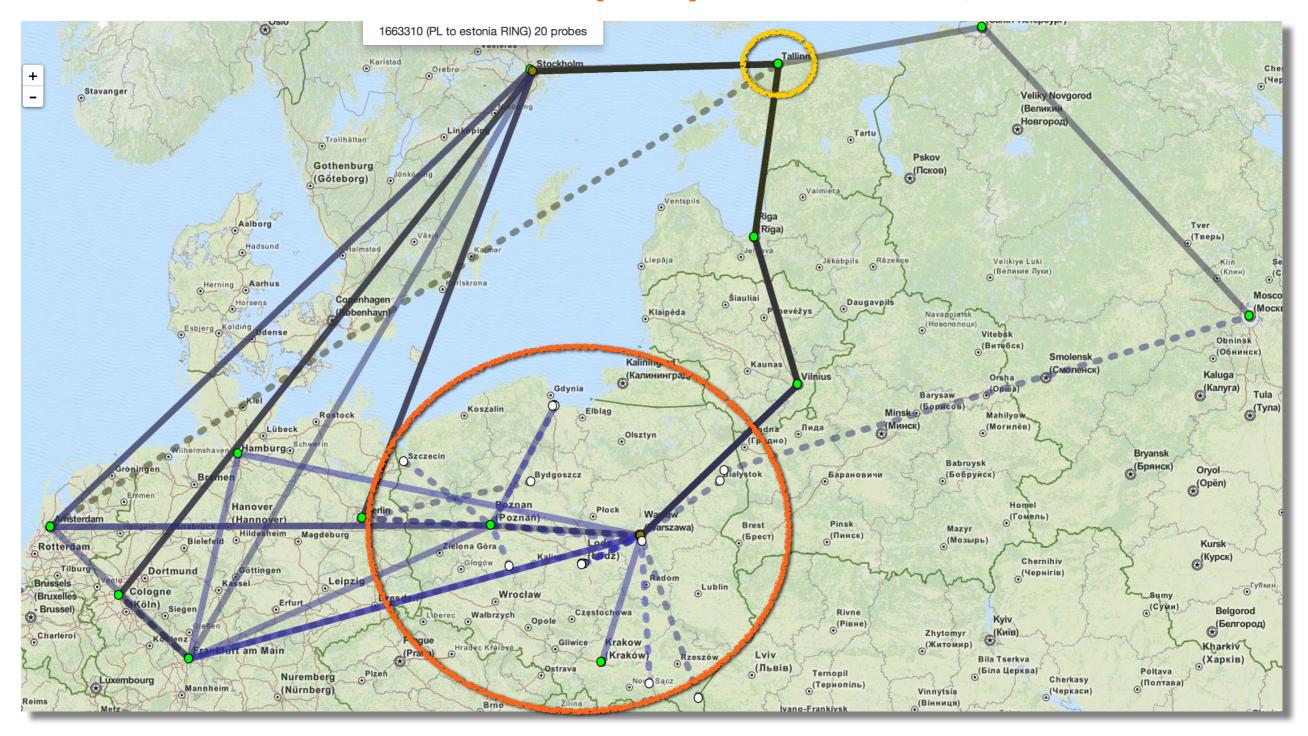




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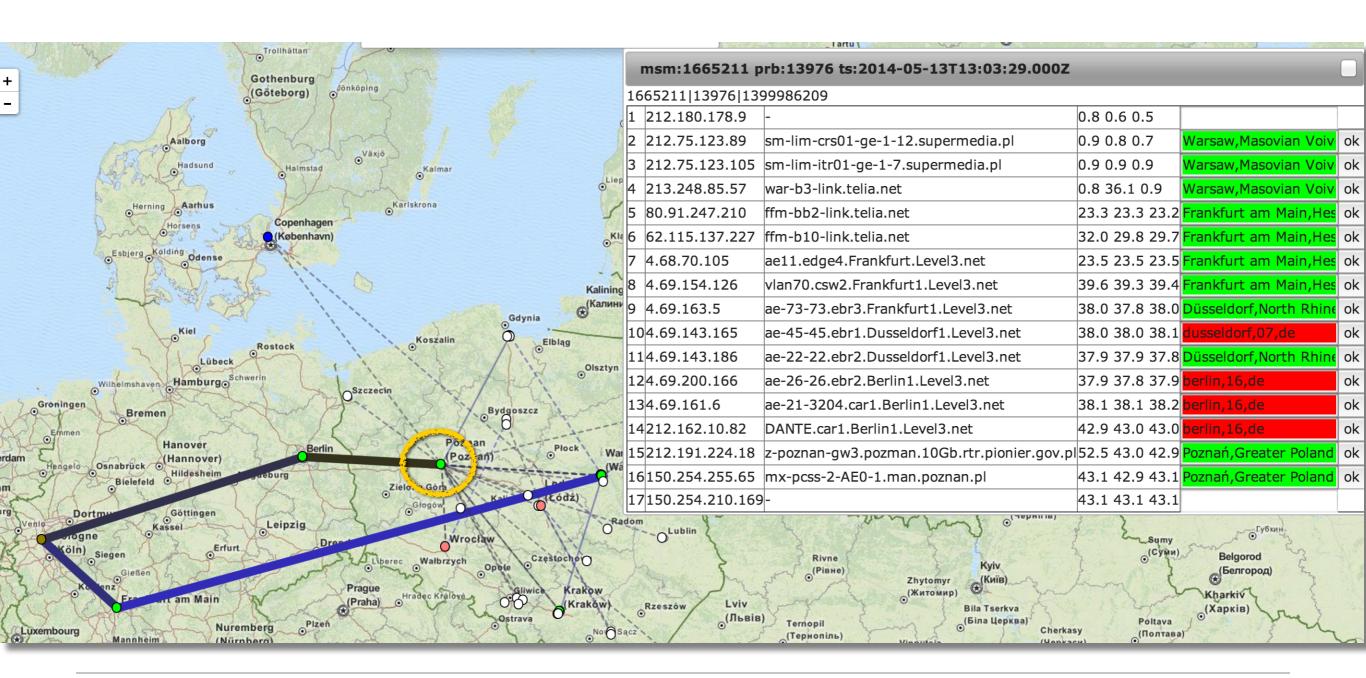


From: Poland (30x) To: Tallinn, EE





From: Poland (30x) To: Poznan,PL





Where to go?

- Idea received a lot of support at RIPE 67 MAT WG
- Is this going in the right direction?
- Do you want to see this as a service in the future?
 - We can implement the service, publish the code and initial data and bootstrap it
 - Community decides who will operate such a global service
- Want to know more or help: Contact us!
 - To see the prototype
 - To participate in testing the prototype
- Updates on RIPE Labs: https://labs.ripe.net/







- Web interface
- API
- Bulk import. Format:
 - <resource>,<location>,<confidence>
 - 5.57.80.0/22,"London,GB",20
 - lu-lux-as2602.anchors.atlas.ripe.net,"Luxembourg,LU",90



- Web Interface
- API
- Bulk download
 - Also for Geoloc providers

Prototype: Database IP/hostname

- IP prefix / hostname:
 - location: User contributed location string: "Warsaw,PL"
 - user: User ID
 - confidence: 0-100%

Database adds (via geocoder):

- canonical location: Canonical version of location
- lat, lon: Coordinates

Not yet implemented:

- Update creates new object
- Anycast resources
- Granularities other than city



Prototype: Database Contributor

- User ID
- Authenticated with RIPE Access
 - Could do special treatment if user = resource holder
 - only allow confidence > 90% if user=resource holder?

- Other authentication?
 - PGP
 - OpenID



- Uses RIPE Atlas traceroutes
- Builds on underlying API to access crowd-sourced information
- Suggestion engine for when no crowd-sourced information is available
 - Based on IATA, CLLI, and city names



Detail: Granularity

- Current focus on city level granularity
 - Conform to other geoIP databases
 - Backbone maps typically are city level
- PoP/datacenter level?
 - Is technically possible to implement if needed
- Others could be supported too
 - DNS LOC-style: point + radius
 - Arbitrary polygons?

