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# RIPE Atlas infrastructure & Measurement Results Sharing

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# Part I

RIPE Atlas changes

# RIPE Atlas current status



- About 10.500 probes are up
  - Of which 440 are anchors
    - Of which 80 are VMs
- Close to 20M measurements defined
  - About 20k running concurrently
- Collecting 7000-8000 data points / sec (~600M/day)

# RIPE Atlas current work items

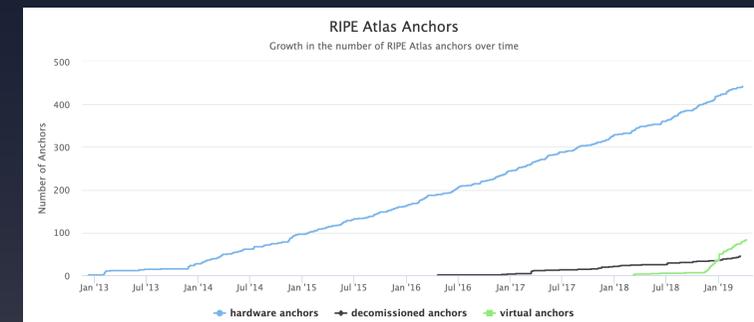


- **Use more client-side rendering relying more on APIs**
- **Strongly considering changing queues from RabbitMQ to Kafka**
- **Switching measurement metadata store from MySQL to Elasticsearch**
- **Switching main database from MySQL to PostgreSQL**
- **Python2 -> Python3 migration, other framework upgrades**

# RIPE Atlas anchor VMs



- Pilot ran between May-October 2018
- Service is official since November 2018
- High interest since launch time
- Includes nodes in AWS
  - Talking to other cloud providers too
- ASN holder vs VM host needs attention
- VMs are virtually indistinguishable from HW anchors



# RIPE Atlas software probes



- **Probes are still hardware based (excl. anchor VMs)**
- **There's demand for an installable software package**
- **Would allow the next level of growth**
- **We're evaluating this at the moment**
  - **It has important consequences to operations**
  - **Now to encourage growth while encouraging spread?**

# Other bits and blobs



- We're at version 4 of the probes (NanoPi based)
- The distributed nature brings some unique challenges
- So does the volume of data we're handling





## Part II

# Measurement Results Sharing

# Downloadable results



- All public measurement results are available in bulk via FTP
  - Much easier/faster to download large amounts
  - Measurement metadata (via API) helps with indexing
- Download API is still the main path for individual msms
- Result streaming is still available and supported
  - Fully real-time
  - Has different availability characteristics

# RIPE Atlas data in the cloud



- Pushing data to BigQuery too
- Has unique advantages
- See a more detailed presentation by Stephen

# Measurement infrastructure collaboration



- **“Can we lower the barrier for users (researchers or otherwise) to use multiple measurement systems without having to relearn or reimplement anything?”**
- **Different systems use different APIs and data formats**
- **Can we improve on this?**
- **Is this an incentive or a technology question?**



# Questions

