



Pathfinder

annotated IPv4 traceroutes

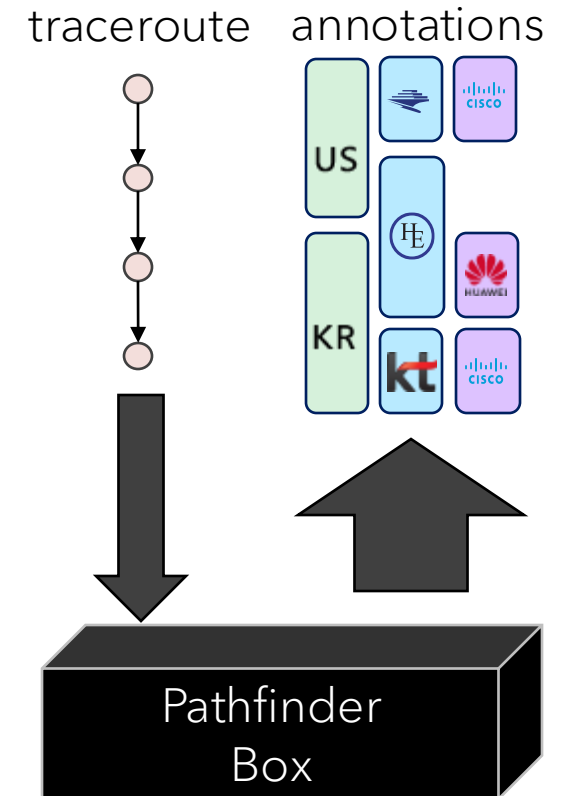
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What is Pathfinder?

Service that supports:

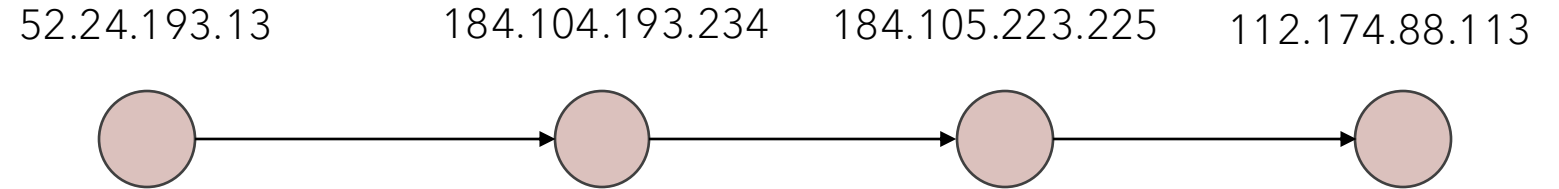
- Tagging (annotating) traceroutes
- Requesting traceroute execution
- Searching traceroutes by tag



Pathfinder Annotations:

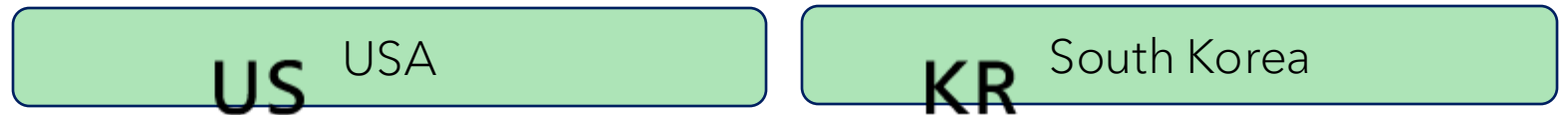
Input:

- **traceroute**



Output Annotations:

- **Country**







- **Organization**



- **Vendor**

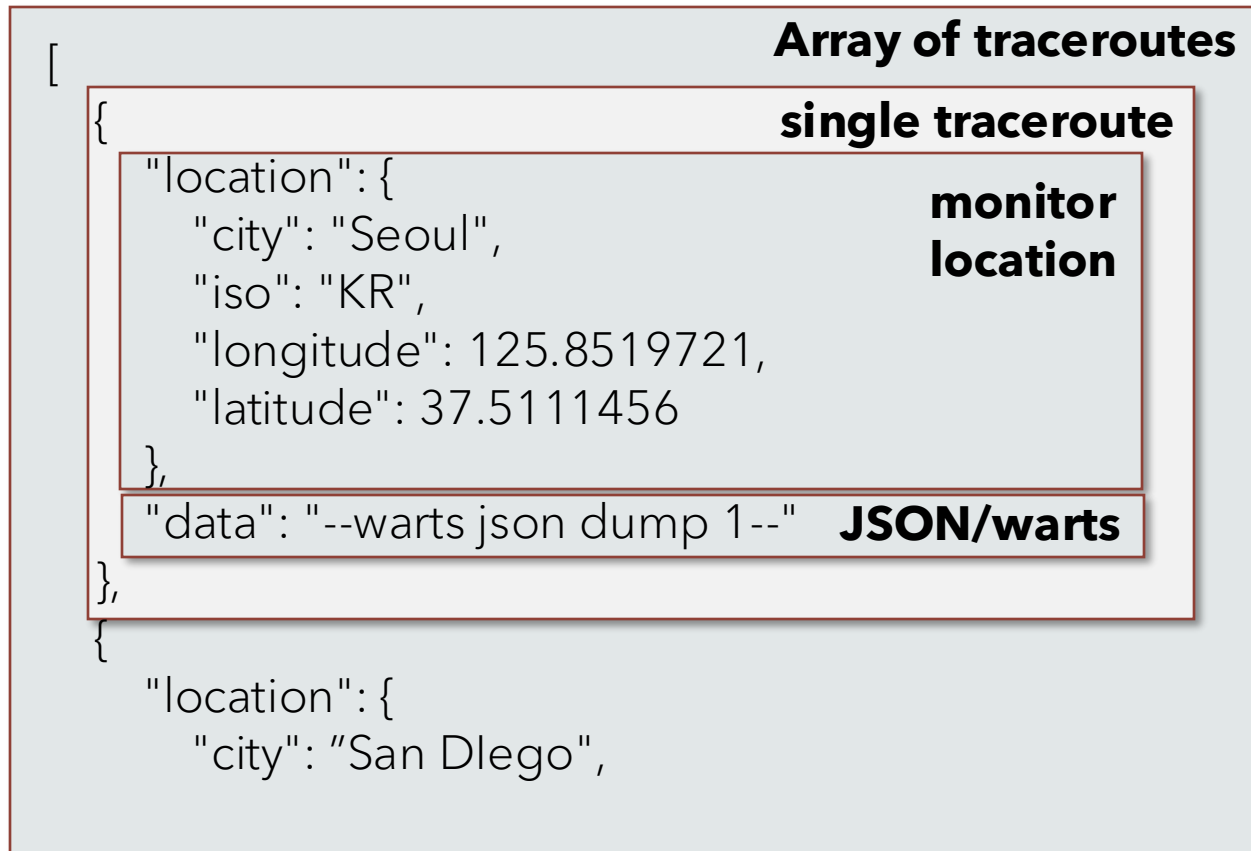


Annotations Sources:

	Passive			Active
	BGP Collectors	Geolocation Service	WHOIS Servers	Distributed Monitors
				
Country		X	X	X
Autonomous Systems	X			
Organization			X	
Vendor				X

Traceroute Upload

post request



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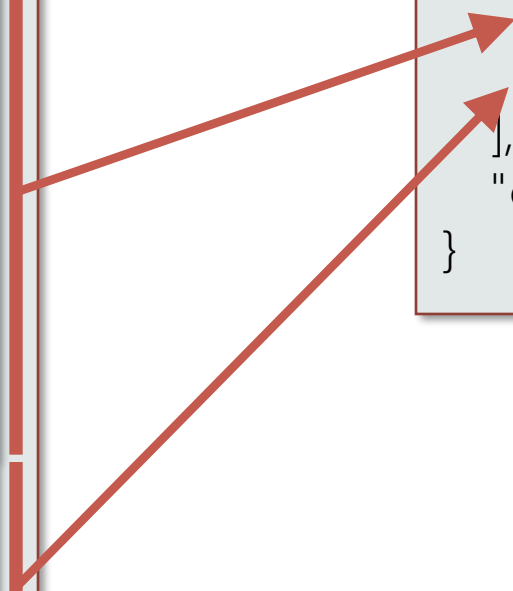
post request

```
[  
  {  
    "location": {  
      "city": "Souel",  
      "iso": "KR",  
      "longitude": 125.8519721,  
      "latitude": 37.5111456  
    },  
    "data": "--warts json dump 1--"  
  },  
  {  
    "location": {  
      "city": "San Dlego",  

```

response

```
{  
  "Array of trace_ids"  
  "data": [  
    582563, trace_id  
    582564 trace_id  
  ],  
  "errors": []  
}
```



Traceroute Annotations

get request

```
{  
  "data": [  
    582563,  
    582564  
  ],  
  "errors": []  
}
```

http://api.../v2/traceroutes/582563

response

```
{  
  "totalCount": 2,  
  "pageSize": 500,  
  "page": 0,  
  "data": [  
    {  
      "id": 582563,  
      "vp": {  
        "country": {  
          "iso": "KR",  
          "iso3": "KRS",  
          "name": "South Korea",  
          "method": "user",  
        }  
      }  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

Traceroute Annotations

response

```
{  
  "totalCount": 2,  
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  "data": [  
    {  
      "id": 582563,  
      "vp": { "country": { "iso": "KR", "name": "South Kor..."},  
      "src": { "ip": "192.168.0.62", "reserved": { "nam..."},  
      "dst": { "ip": "41.211.16.227", "asn": { "asn": 35..."},  
      "hops": [  
        { "ip": "112.190.77.9", "asn": { "asn": 4766, ..."},  
        { "ip": "41.211.16.227", "asn": { "asn": 35091, ..."}  
      ]  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

header

traceroute

annotations

vantage point

Source IP

Destination IP

hops

IP Annotations

```
{  
  "ip": "112.190.77.9",  
  "asn": { AS  
    "asn": 4766,  
    "name": "Korea Telecom",  
    "country": {  
      "iso": "KR",  
      "iso3": "KOR",  
      "name": "South Korea",  
      "threat": 3  
    },  
    "method": "bgp",  
    "threat": 3  
  },  
}
```

```
"country": { country  
  "iso": "KR",  
  "iso3": "KOR",  
  "name": "South Korea",  
  "method": "net",  
  "threat": 3  
},
```

```
"organization": { org  
  "name": "Korea Telecom",  
  "method": "bgp"  
},
```

```
"vendor": { vendor  
  "id": 25506,  
  "name": "H3C",  
  "country": {  
    "iso": "CN"  
  },  
  "threat": 10,  
  "method": "snmp"  
}
```

Traceroute Annotations

web UI

```
{  
  "data": [  
    582563,  
    582564  
  ],  
  "errors": []  
}
```

http://pathfi.../traceroutes/582563



caida PATH FINDER TRACEROUTES ABOUT UPLOAD TRACE TRACESETS

✓ 172.101.1.46 (src) → 124.240.214.145 (dst) high

monitor:

Hop	ASN	Organization	Country	Vendor
2	9246 bgp	TeleGuam Holdings bgp	GU net	Cisco smp
3	9246 bgp	TeleGuam Holdings bgp	GU net	unknown
4	9246 bgp	TeleGuam Holdings bgp	GU net	unknown
5	9246 bgp	TeleGuam Holdings bgp	GU net	unknown
6	9246 bgp	TeleGuam Holdings bgp	GU net	unknown
7	23676 whois	University of Guam whois	GU net	unknown
8	6939 bgp	Hurricane Electric LLC bgp	US net	unknown
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Pathfinder Architecture

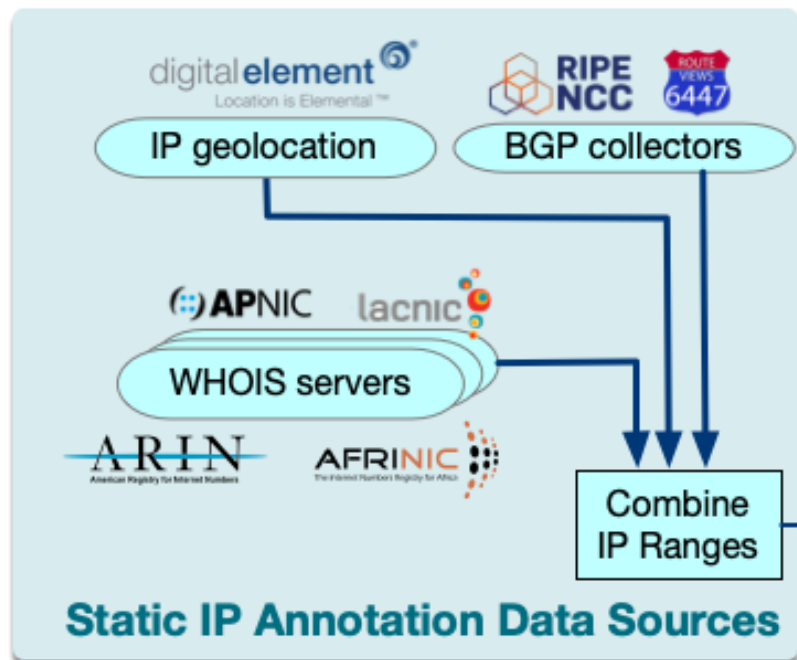
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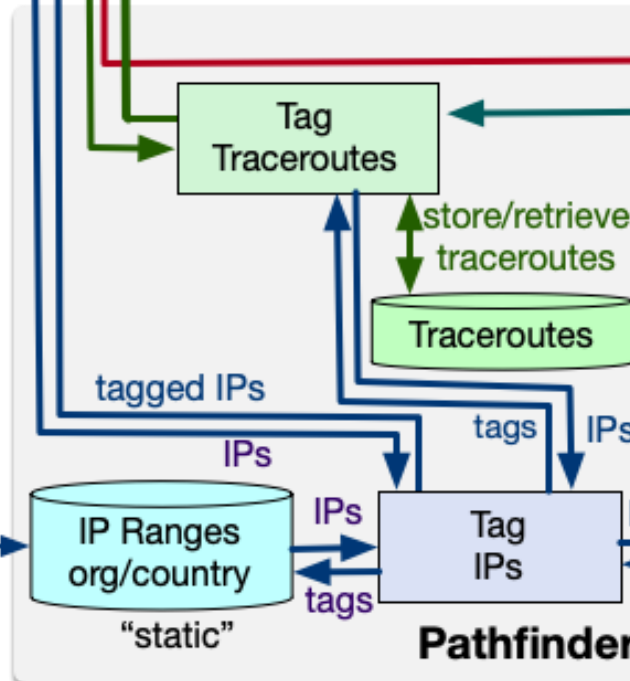
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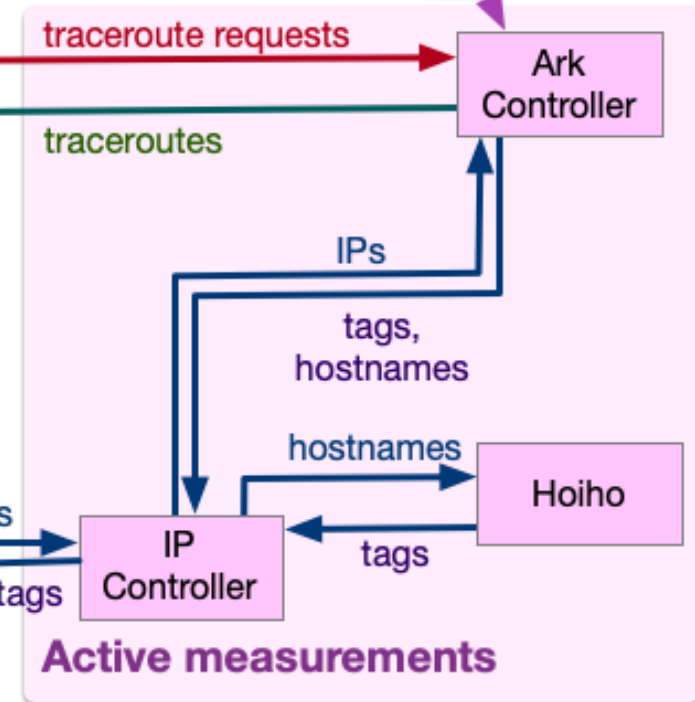
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Pathfinder Questions?

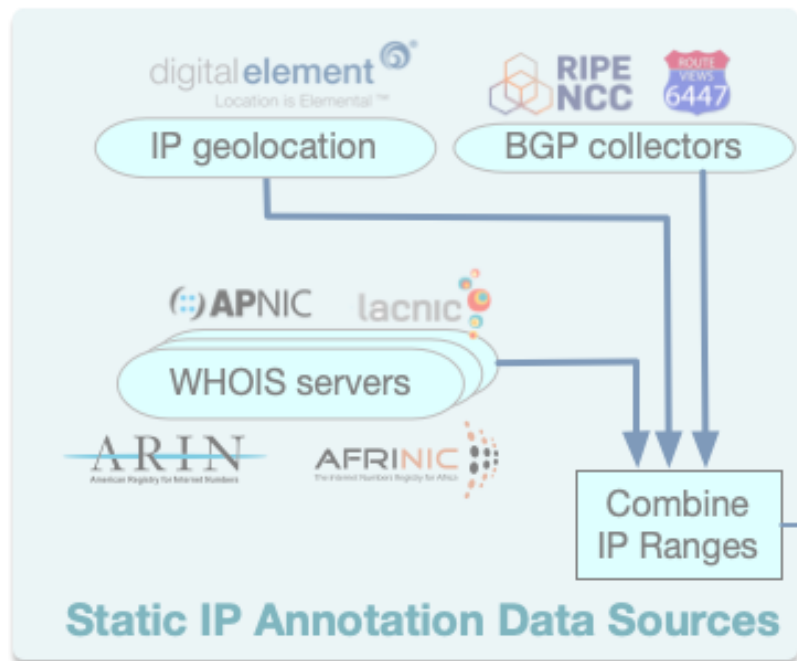
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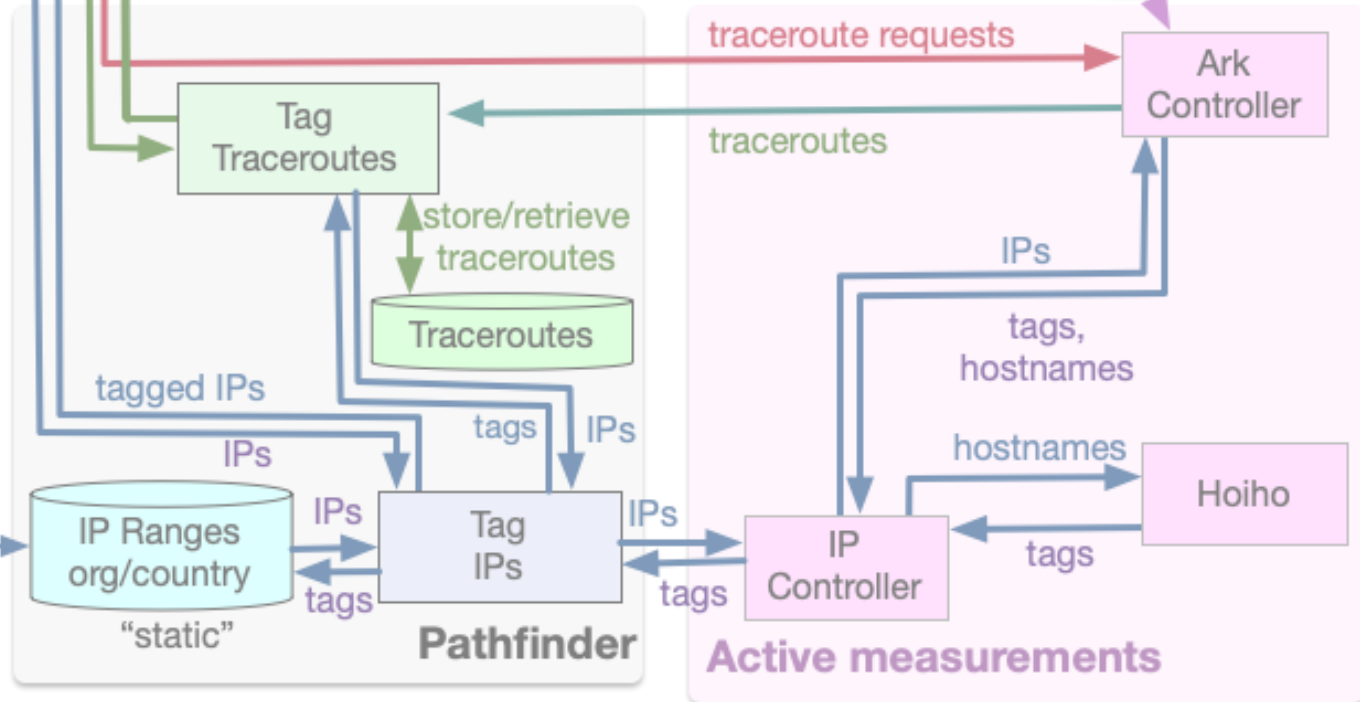
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