finding the path

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keys for today

- 1. understand your network
- 2. cooperation

key: understand your network

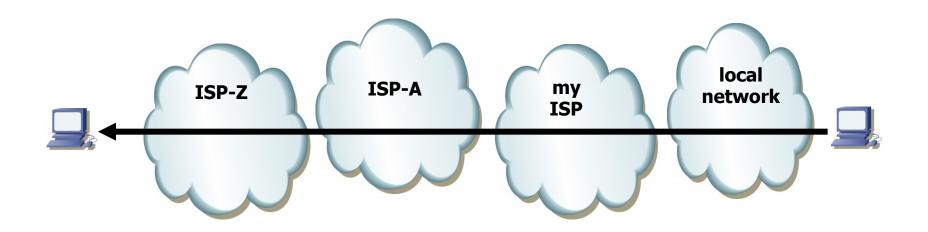
- you should be able to fix your network
 - not by guessing
 - not by assuming
 - not by random practice
- based on understanding and knowledge

case study

 what should we consider today, in case your customer faces a reachability issue?

you need to find the path that the customer used

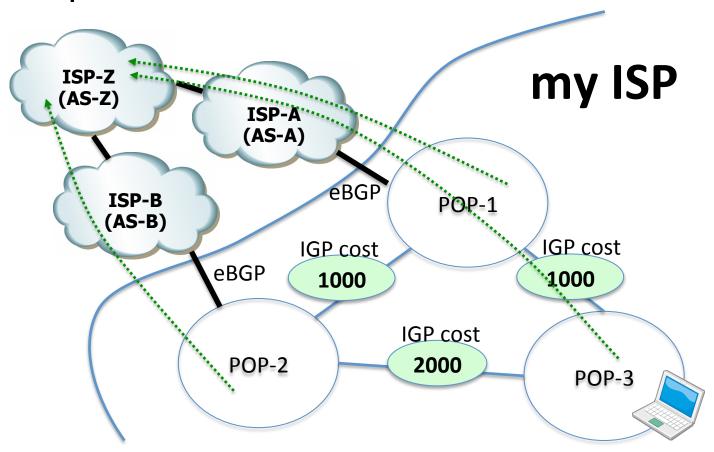
step1: finding the outgoing path



- you can 'presume' outgoing path
 - BGP, traceroute
- users might use different path
 - Source network and destination IP address is the key

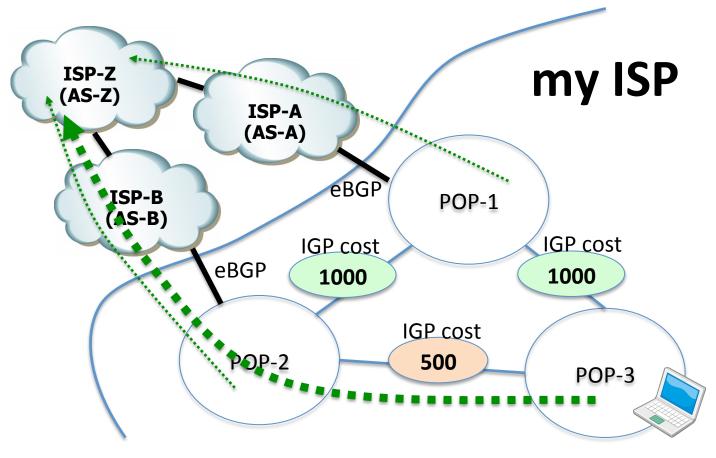
Multiple exit points

BGP prefers the 'closest exit'



Multiple exit points and IGP

IGP sometimes matters



multiple paths

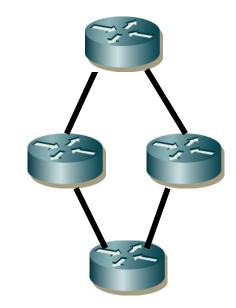
- more bandwidth, but cost effectively
 - currently 10x10Gbps is cheaper than a 100Gbps
 - just wanted 4Gbps rather than installing 10Gbps
- Layer2
 - link aggregation
- Layer3
 - mutlipath
 - IGP equal cost multipath
 - BGP multipath

using multi links at the same time

Layer2



Layer3



- lose whole links in case of router failure
- link down policy is usually configurable
- more redundancy
- not many traffic engineering choices in case of failure

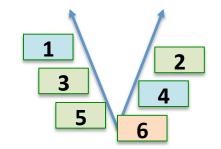
load-sharing method

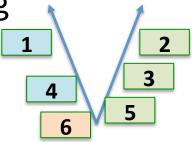
- per packet load-sharing
 - good for equal load-sharing
 - possibility of mis-ordering
 - may break communications



good for packet ordering/consistent delays

possibility of unbalanced load-sharing

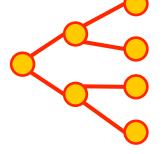




keys for per flow load-sharing

- flow
 - src/dst ip, protocol, src/dst port
- salt
 - to get efficient balance in multi stage multipath
 - A device generates a salt during bootup

hash(flow, salt) → outgoing link



multipath even in an ISP

%traceroute -q1 ftp.iij.ad.jp

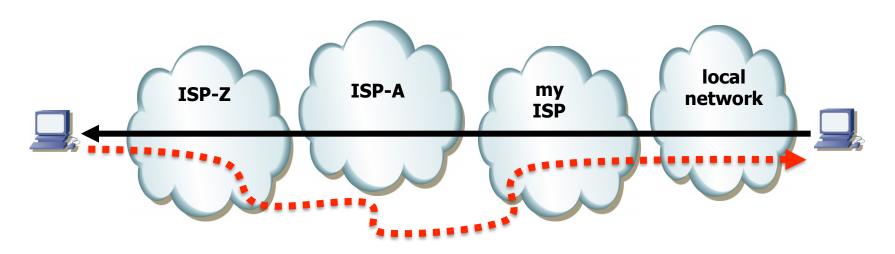
- 1 202.32.157.2 (202.32.157.2) 0.783 ms 1 path
- 2 210.130.161.90 (210.130.161.90) 0.965 ms 2 paths
- 3 tky006bb01.IIJ.Net (58.138.120.21) 0.976 ms 1 path (+1backup)
- 4 tky001bf01.IIJ.Net (58.138.82.53) 1.470 ms 6 paths
- 5 tky009bf01.IIJ.Net (58.138.80.45) 1.473 ms 2 paths
- 6 osk004bf00.IIJ.Net (58.138.98.126) 10.968 ms 4 paths
- 7 osk004bb11.IIJ.Net (58.138.82.170) 11.468 ms 1 path (+1backup)
- 8 osk004agr00.IIJ.Net (58.138.106.218) 9.970 ms 1 path (+1backup)
- 9 nas200.ftp.pub.2iij.net (202.232.140.170) 12.967 ms !Z

96paths (excluding backup paths)

key: cooperation

- most parts of Internet are operated by others
 - out of control
 - each of us is just a part of the Internet
- we need to cooperate to fix a problem
 - by sharing information
 - by exchanging knowledge

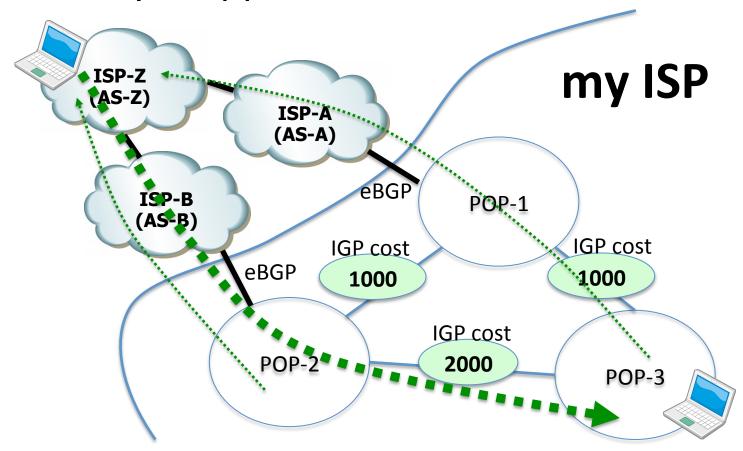
step2: finding the return path



- almost no clue
 - BGP does not tell much about the reverse path
- difficult to guess
 - other networks' business relationships

return path from intermediate nodes may vary

it always happens

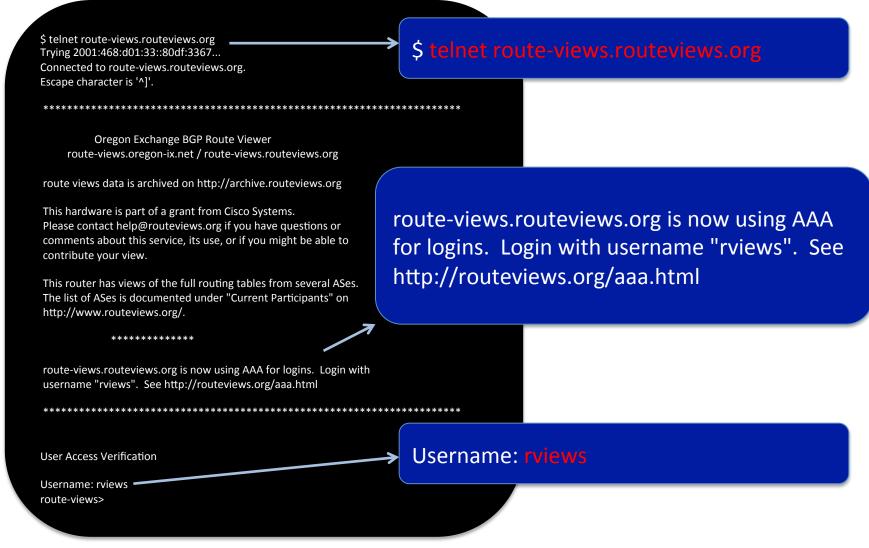


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looking glass

- Route Views Project
 - http://www.routeviews.org/
 - telnet and generic router CUI
- RIPE Routing Information Service (RIS)
 - http://www.ripe.net/data-tools/stats/ris/
 - web UI
- and many others...

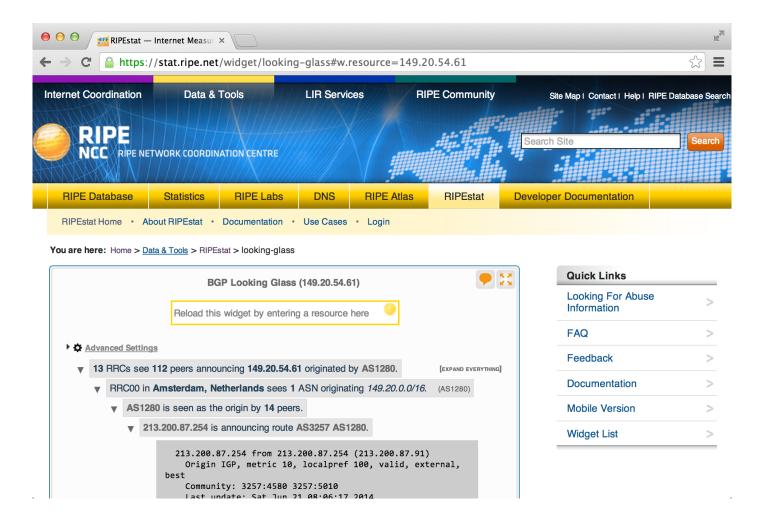
routeviews



checking routes to SANOG website

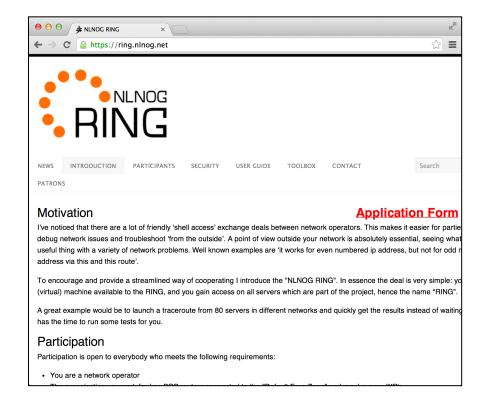
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RIPE RIS looking glass

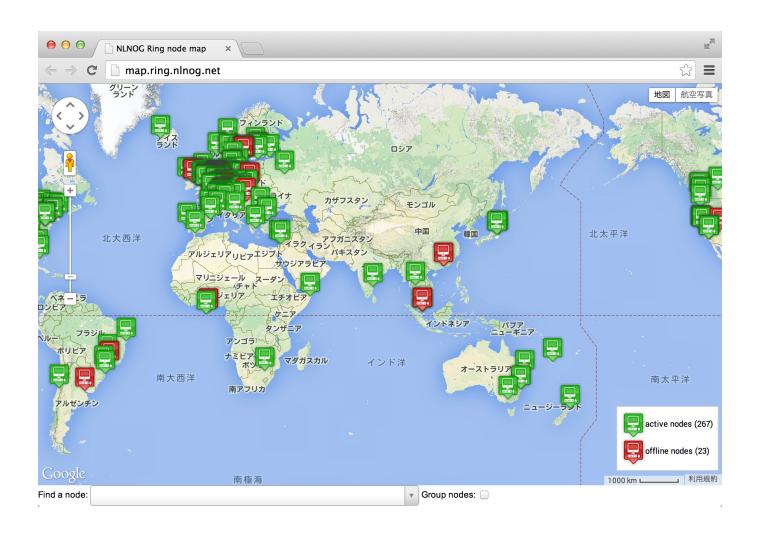


NLNOG RING – https://ring.nlnog.net/

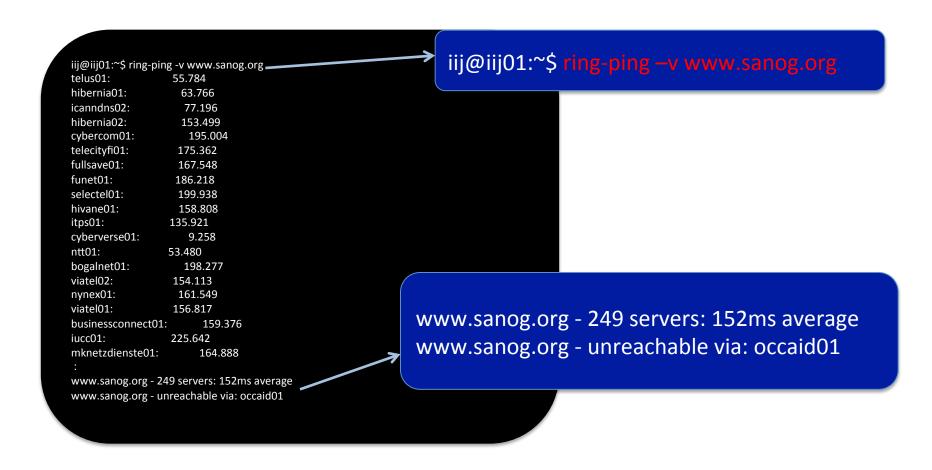
- 'shell access' exchange
 - ssh
- usual debug tools
 - ping, traceroute
- useful tools
 - ring-ping
- many participants
 - 259ASNs



RING servers



ring-ping



summary

- The internet is composed of simple things
- We have very limited views of the internet
 - traceroute, pings, routing tables
 - many parts of the network are hidden
- what we need:
 - better understanding
 - more cooperation