

# Piranha BGP

where all the fishy routes meet...

Failure Detection in BGP Networks  
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## PiranhaBGP

- What it is
- What it does
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# What is PiranhaBGP?

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# What is PiranhaBGP

## PiranhaBGP

- Route collector
  - Written in C
  - Supports address-family IPv4/IPv6
  - Attributes: next hop, community, ext community, large community, as path, origin
  - Fast dump into files, per peer, (typical file rotation, 1min)
  - Dump decoder (human readable, machine readable or JSON)

# What is PiranhaBGP

## PiranhaBGP

- Piranha Injector
  - Updates a database
  - State of routing table
  - Last n updates
  - (Some stats)

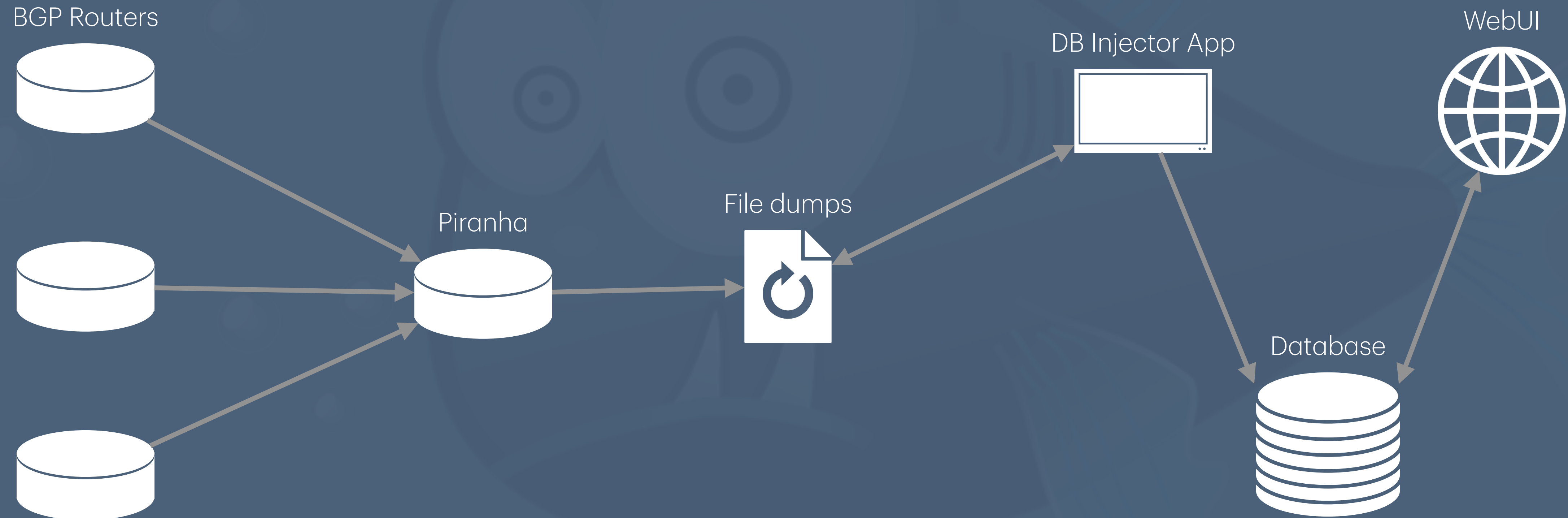
# What is PiranhaBGP

## PiranhaBGP

- Piranha UI
  - Peer Status
  - Route lookup(s)
- Top n of:
  - Flapping Routes
  - Longest AS paths
  - Routes with invalid AS in AS paths (unallocated, private use)
  - Routes with invalid prefixes (unallocated, RFC1918, small prefixes  $>/24$  and  $>/48$ )

# What is PiranhaBGP?

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# BGP Daemon

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# BGP Daemon configuration

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```
# Piranha BGP Daemon configuration file
#
# [local_as]
# Local autonomous system number
local_as 65500

# [local_ip]
# Local IP Address to listen on.
# must be set in order to work.
# if you do not want to support ipv4 or ipv6
# comment the local_ipX out.
local_ip4 10.0.0.1
local_ip6 fe80::1

# [local_port] (default:179)
# Local port in which you want to listen().
local_port4 179
local_port6 179

# [export] (default: none)
# choose which route attributes to export
# in dump files
export origin
export aspath
#export community
#export extcommunity
#export largecommunity

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#export largecommunity

# [bgp_router_id]
# BGP Router identifier, MUST be set to something else
# than 0.0.0.0 !

bgp_router_id 10.0.0.1

# [user]
user nobody

# [neighbor]
# neighbors/peers definition
# neighbor <ip4|ipv6> <ASN> [optional password]
neighbor 10.0.0.2 65500 MyPassword
```

# BGP Daemon status

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```
# ./bin/piranhactl show
```

```
/-----\
| neighbor                asn          recv          sent    updates  status  up/down |
|-----|
| 62.220.133.33           6893      916272         3047    3622277   up      1d2h |
| 2001:788::33            6893      444786         3047    1399050   up      1d2h |
| 62.220.133.32           6893      950686         3051    3701618   up      1d2h |
| 2001:788::32            6893      529475         3044    1784871   up      1d2h |
\-----/
```

neighbor	asn	recv	sent	updates	status	up/down
62.220.133.33	6893	916272	3047	3622277	up	1d2h
2001:788::33	6893	444786	3047	1399050	up	1d2h
62.220.133.32	6893	950686	3051	3701618	up	1d2h
2001:788::32	6893	529475	3044	1784871	up	1d2h

# BGP Daemon dumps

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```
# find var/dump/ -type f | sort | head -10  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030145800  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030145900  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030150000  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030150100  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030150200  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030150300  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030150400  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030150500  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030150600  
var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030150700
```

# BGP Daemon decoder

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```
# ./bin/ptoa
Piranha v1.1.2 Dump file decoder, Copyright(c) 2004-2017 Pascal Gloor
syntax: ./bin/ptoa -<m|j|H> <file>
```

-H for human readable output

-j for JSON output  
One JSON elem per line.

-m for machine readable output:

```
timestamp|P|peer_ip|peer_as # begin of every file
timestamp|C                 # connected (Active -> Established)
timestamp|D                 # disconnected (Established -> Active)
timestamp|K                 # BGP Keepalive received
timestamp|A|network|mask|opt id|opt|opt id ...
                             # BGP Announce
timestamp|W|network|mask    # BGP Withdrawn
```

# BGP Daemon decoder (machine)

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```
# ./bin/ptoa -m var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030145900
1730300340.880126|P|2001:788::32|6893|i
1730300342.984359|W|2605:9cc0:c00::|48
1730300342.984364|A|2a02:ac80:50::|48|0|I|NH|2a02:2178:3:6b::1|AP|
 29075 6939 25145|C|0:0 29075:6700
..
1730300400.456128|E
```

# BGP Daemon decoder (human)

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```
# ./bin/ptoa -H var/dump/2001:788::32/20241030145800
2024-10-30 14:58:00.824 peer ip 2001:788::32 AS 6893 TYPE ibgp
2024-10-30 14:58:00.824 prefix announce 2406:840:e23a::/48 origin IGP
nexthop 2001:1700:2b00:4::1 aspath 6730 6939 15353 140915 community
6730:6200 6730:6210 6730:6212 6893:11301
2024-10-30 14:58:05.240 prefix withdrawn 2a06:de01:8cb::/48
..
2024-10-30 14:59:00.880 eof
```

# BGP Daemon decoder (json)

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```
{
  "timestamp": 1730300340.880126,
  "type": "peer",
  "msg": {
    "peer": {
      "proto": "ipv6",
      "ip": "2001:788::32",
      "asn": 6893,
      "type": "ibgp"
    }
  }
},
{
  "timestamp": 1730300342.984359,
  "type": "withdrawn",
  "msg": {
    "prefix": "2605:9cc0:c00::/48"
  }
}
}

{
  "timestamp": 1730300342.984364,
  "type": "announce",
  "msg": {
    "prefix": "2a02:ac80:50::/48",
    "origin": "IGP",
    "nexthop": "2a02:2178:3:6b::1",
    "aspath": [
      29075,
      6939,
      25145
    ],
    "community": [
      "0:0",
      "29075:6700"
    ]
  }
}
```



# Current Features

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# Piranha UI

## PiranhaBGP

- Fast access to routing table state across all your BGP speakers
- Lookup any route or AS (including withdrawn routes)
- RDAP Lookup (cached in the database)
- See “Top 100”
  - Longest AS paths
  - Flapping routes
  - Invalid ASN
  - Invalid prefixes

# Peer Status

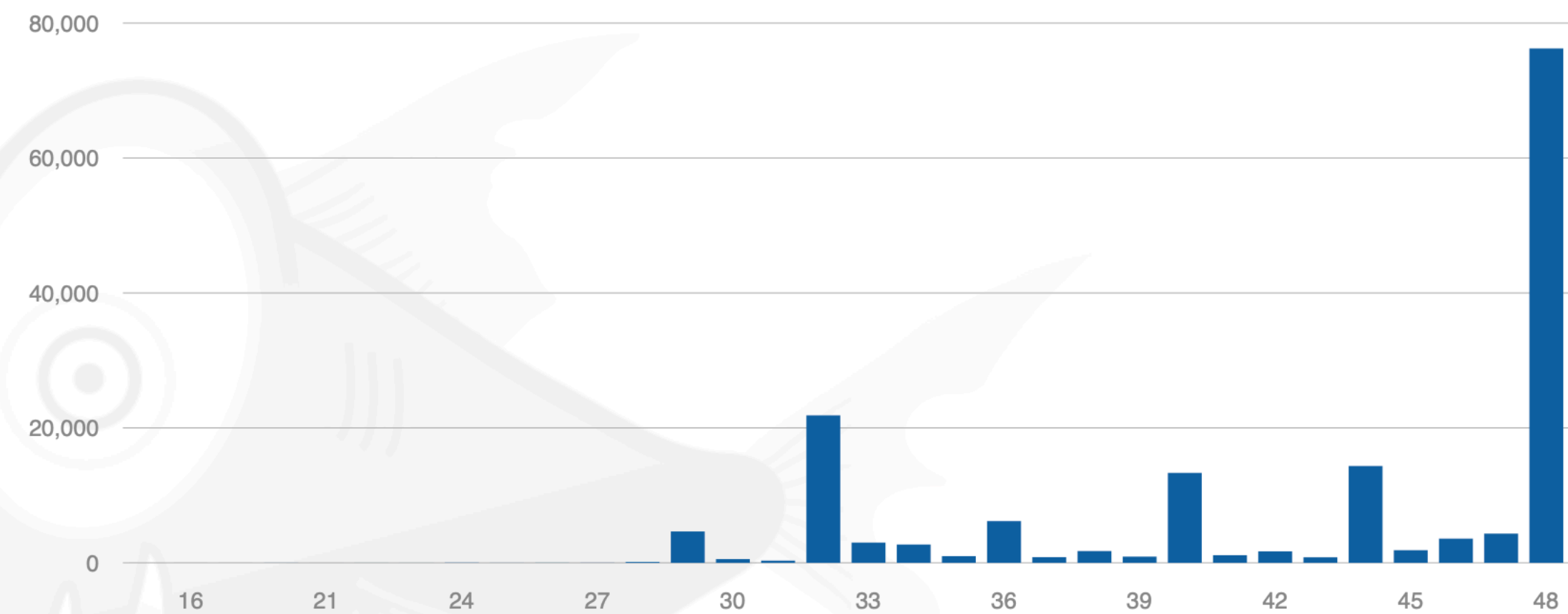
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Peer status

### Peer Status

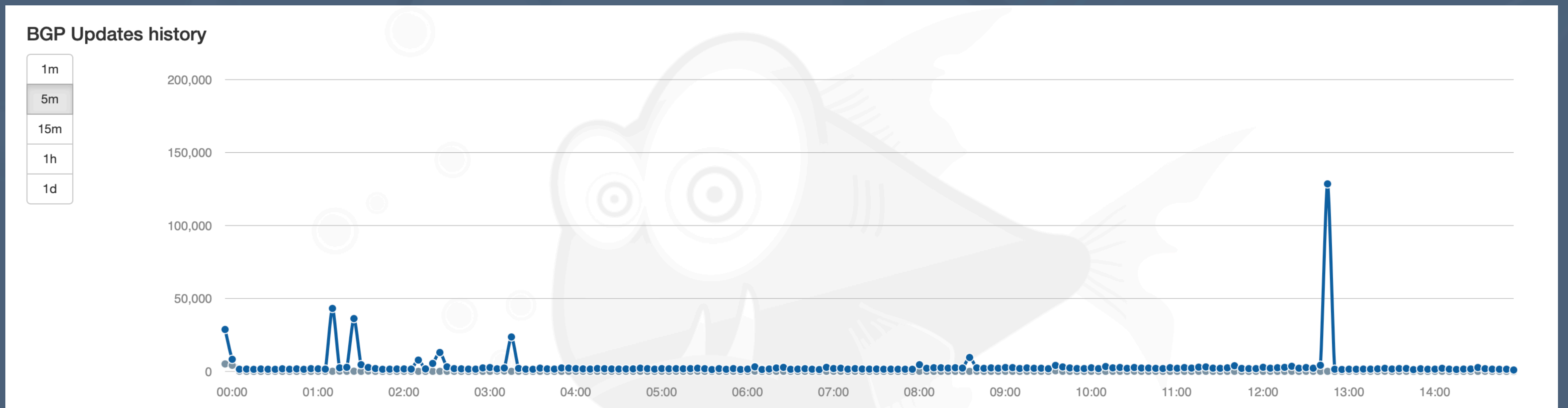
<b>Name</b>	Isn-prc-MX24-01
<b>ASN</b>	<a href="#">6893</a>
<b>IP</b>	<a href="#">2001:788::33</a>
<b>Password</b>	Yes
<b>State</b>	Up
<b>Last connect</b>	2024-10-29 15:54:56.941
<b>Last disconnect</b>	never
<b>Last update</b>	2024-10-30 14:58:30.791
<b>Delay</b>	1m14.256s
<b>Valid routes</b>	241384
<b>Invalid routes</b>	56665

### Netmask distribution



# Peer Statistics (1/2)

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# Peer Statistics (2/2)

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### BGP Events

Timestamp	Event
2024-10-29 15:54	🔗 Connect

### BGP Updates last 100 entries

The 100 most recent updates in the rolling buffer.

Display options

Peer IP	Peer ASN	Nexthop	Valid	Updated	Prefix	AS Path	Communities	Announce	Withdrawn
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Valid	Updated	Prefix	AS Path	Communities
✓	2024-10-30 14:58:30.875	2404:3fc0:3::/48	6893 25091 9002 32590	6893:11303 25091:22416 65400:51706 65401:416
✓	2024-10-30 14:58:30.875	2404:4200::/32	6893 29075 1299 136106 24536	0:0 1299:37000 29075:7050
✓	2024-10-30 14:58:30.875	2401:2ce0::/33	6893 25091 6453 58453 58453 58453 134823 150881	6453:86 6453:3000 6453:3600 6453:3601 25091:15305
✓	2024-10-30 14:58:30.875	2401:43e0:2::/48	6893 25091 6762 17557 149021	6762:1 6762:30 6762:40 6762:13930 25091:15306
✗	2024-10-30 14:58:30.875	2404:76c0::/36		
✗	2024-10-30 14:58:30.875	2404:76c0:3000::/36		
✗	2024-10-30 14:58:30.875	2404:76c0:e000::/36		
✗	2024-10-30 14:58:30.875	2404:76c0:4000::/36		

# Flapping routes (1/2)

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Top 100

### Search options

Top 100 Flapping routes

All peers

IPv4

IPv6

All

Only valid

Only invalid

### Display options

Peer IP

Peer ASN

Nexthop

Valid

Updated

Prefix

AS Path

Communities

Announce

Withdrawn

Peer IP	Peer ASN	Valid	Updated	Prefix	AS Path	Announce(s)	Withdrawn(s)
62.220.133.32	6893	×	2024-10-30 12:26:03.280	223.196.46.0/24	6893 25091 3257 174 55644 55644 55644 55644 55644 55644	3800	408
62.220.133.32	6893	×	2024-10-30 12:45:48.631	223.196.68.0/24	6893 29075 174 55644	4059	128
62.220.133.32	6893	×	2024-10-30 12:45:19.658	23.199.236.0/22	6893 174 55644	3887	249
62.220.133.32	6893	×	2024-10-30 12:45:49.742	112.79.45.0/24	6893 25091 1273 55410 38266	3667	126
62.220.133.33	6893	×	2024-10-30 12:45:21.990	223.196.68.0/24	6893 29075 174 55644	3467	128
62.220.133.33	6893	×	2024-10-30 12:26:03.280	223.196.46.0/24	6893 25091 3257 174 55644 55644 55644 55644 55644 55644	3183	407

# Flapping routes (2/2)

## PiranhaBGP

Top 100

Search options

Top 100 Flapping routes

All peers

IPv4

IPv6

All

Only valid

Only invalid

Display options

Peer IP

Peer ASN

Nexthop

Valid

Updated

Prefix

AS Path

Communities

Announce

Withdrawn

Peer IP	Peer ASN	Valid	Updated	Prefix	AS Path	Announce(s)	Withdrawn(s)
62.220.133.32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 12:45:49.738	203.145.74.0/24	6893 174 3491 10118 17794	2057	0
62.220.133.32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 12:45:49.738	203.145.78.0/24	6893 174 3491 10118 17794	2056	0
62.220.133.32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 12:45:48.629	202.45.88.0/24	6893 174 3491 10118 17794	2022	0
62.220.133.33	6893	✓	2024-10-30 12:45:21.991	203.145.74.0/24	6893 174 3491 10118 17794	1859	0
62.220.133.33	6893	✓	2024-10-30 12:45:21.991	203.145.78.0/24	6893 174 3491 10118 17794	1858	0





# Invalid routes

## PiranhaBGP

Top 100

### Search options

Top 100 Invalid Global Prefixes

All peers

IPv4

IPv6

All

Only valid

Only invalid

### Display options

Peer IP

Peer ASN

Nexthop

Valid

Updated

Prefix

AS Path

Communities

Announce

Withdrawn

Peer IP	Peer ASN	Valid	Updated	Prefix	AS Path	Announce(s)	Withdrawn(s)
<a href="#">2001:788::33</a>	<a href="#">6893</a>	✓	2024-10-29 15:54:59.314	<a href="#">::/0</a>	<a href="#">6893</a>	1	0
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	<a href="#">6893</a>	✓	2024-10-29 15:54:58.328	<a href="#">::/0</a>	<a href="#">6893</a>	1	0
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	<a href="#">6893</a>	✗	2024-10-29 23:12:41.272	<a href="#">2001:418:1401:4::/64</a>	<a href="#">6893 25091 3257 20940</a>	1	1
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	<a href="#">6893</a>	✗	2024-10-29 23:12:41.272	<a href="#">2001:418:1401:7::/64</a>	<a href="#">6893 25091 3257 20940</a>	1	1

# Invalid ASN

## PiranhaBGP

Top 100

Search options

Top 100 Invalid ASN

All peers

IPv4

IPv6

All

Only valid

Only invalid

Display options

Peer IP

Peer ASN

Nexthop

Valid

Updated

Prefix

AS Path

Communities

Announce

Withdrawn

Peer IP	Peer ASN	Valid	Updated	Prefix	AS Path	Announce(s)	Withdrawn(s)
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:54:58.220	<a href="#">2001:788::13/128</a>	6893 65100 65313	1	0
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:54:58.220	<a href="#">2001:788::14/128</a>	6893 65100 65314	1	0
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:54:58.220	<a href="#">2001:788::15/128</a>	6893 65100 65315	1	0
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	6893	✗	2024-10-30 08:05:14.246	<a href="#">2001:788::17/128</a>	6893 65100 65104 65103 65111	2	1
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	6893	✓	2024-10-30 08:05:14.246	<a href="#">2001:788::27/128</a>	6893 65100 65104 65103	3	0
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:54:58.220	<a href="#">2001:788::39/128</a>	6893 65100 65201	1	0
<a href="#">2001:788::32</a>	6893	✗	2024-10-30 08:05:14.246	<a href="#">2001:788::45/128</a>	6893 65100 65104	2	1

# Lookup routes (1/2)

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Peer filter: All peers

Prefix search: 8.8.8.8

Origin AS search: 23456

Optional filter(s): Any IPv4 IPv6 All Only valid Only invalid

Input help:

- address**: Search for any prefix the IP belongs to, no matter the netmask.
- address/netmask**: Search for **exact match** prefixes.
- address/netmask-netmask**: Same as **address** but restrict the search to the range of given netmasks.

Display options: Peer IP Peer ASN Nexthop Valid Updated Prefix AS Path Communities Announce Withdrawn

Peer IP	Peer ASN	Valid	Updated	Prefix	AS Path	Communities	Announce(s)	Withdrawn(s)
62.220.133.33	6893	✓	2024-10-30 00:00:22.596	8.0.0.0/9	6893 25091 3356	3356:0 3356:2 3356:100 3356:123 3356:501 3356:2065 6893:11303 25091:11301	2	0
62.220.133.32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 00:00:50.697	8.0.0.0/9	6893 25091 3356	3356:0 3356:2 3356:100 3356:123 3356:501 3356:2065 6893:11303 25091:11301	2	0
62.220.133.33	6893	✓	2024-10-30 00:00:22.596	8.0.0.0/12	6893 25091 3356	3356:0 3356:2 3356:100 3356:123 3356:501 3356:2065 6893:11303 25091:11301	2	0
62.220.133.32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 00:00:50.697	8.0.0.0/12	6893 25091 3356	3356:0 3356:2 3356:100 3356:123 3356:501 3356:2065 6893:11303 25091:11301	2	0
62.220.133.33	6893	✓	2024-10-30 12:44:53.743	8.8.8.0/24	6893 25091 15169	6893:11303 25091:21403	2	0
62.220.133.32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 12:45:01.891	8.8.8.0/24	6893 25091 15169	6893:11303 25091:21403	2	0

# Lookup routes (2/2)

## PiranhaBGP

Peer filter: All peers

Prefix search: 192.168.0.0

Origin AS search: 13030

Optional filter(s): Any **IPv4** IPv6 All Only valid Only invalid

Input help

- address**: Search for any prefix the IP belongs to, no matter the netmask.
- address/netmask**: Search for **exact match** prefixes.
- address/netmask-netmask**: Same as **address** but restrict the search to the range of given netmasks.

Display options: Peer IP Peer ASN Nexthop Valid Updated Prefix AS Path Communities Announce Withdrawn

Peer IP	Peer ASN	Valid	Updated	Prefix	AS Path	Communities	Announce(s)	Withdrawn(s)
62.220.133.33	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:55:16.268	5.180.132.0/22	6893 13030	6893:21401	1	0
62.220.133.32	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:55:16.289	5.180.132.0/22	6893 13030	6893:21401	1	0
62.220.133.33	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:55:16.268	37.17.232.0/21	6893 13030	6893:21401	1	0
62.220.133.32	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:55:16.289	37.17.232.0/21	6893 13030	6893:21401	1	0
62.220.133.33	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:55:16.268	45.80.136.0/22	6893 13030	6893:21401	1	0

# RDAP Lookup (whois)

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2001:788::32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 14:58:34.441	2405:7e40:f910::/48	6893 25091 6762 58717 137515 137515 65901
2001:788::32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 14:58:34.441	2405:7e40:f911::/48	6893 25091 6762 58717 137515 137515 65901
2001:788::32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 14:58:44.147	<u>2800:2b03:100::/40</u>	6893 25091 6762 7303 64500 64501
2001:788::32	6893	✗	2024-10-30 14:03:40.403	2803:7710:2515::/48	6893 25091 6762 174 23520 272112 272110 65551
2001:788::32	6893	✓	2024-10-30 14:58:47.488	2804:2438:a000::/48	6893 25091 6762 53013 53158 264209 64500
2001:788::32	6893	✓	2024-10-29 15:54:59.304	2a0c:a641::/32	6893 25091 3257 8781 42298 65540

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# Future Features

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# Future features

## PiranhaBGP

- Detect IPv4/IPv6 AF routing inconsistencies (loops, ghost routes)
- RPKI validation
- Collect VPNv4/VPNv6 routes -> searchable & detect inconsistencies
- Collect EVPN routes -> searchable & detect inconsistencies

# Caveats

## PiranhaBGP

- MySQL was a poor choice (especially for IPv6 storage), must be replaced (PgSQL?)
- extcommunities and largecommunities supported by BGP daemon but not by database/UI



# What's next?

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# What's next?

## PiranhaBGP

- Is it worth it?
- Test deployments
- Need more contributors

# Q&A

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Questions?



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