System Administration

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Networking I: A Network of Networks

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“The network is the computer.”

John Gage, Sun Microsystems
“The network is the network, the computer is the computer -sorry about the confusion.”

Joe on Computing
https://is.gd/mBkNPm
Networking

There is no cloud, only other people’s computers.
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WHOIS IANA

The Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) oversees global IP address/AS number allocation, root zone management etc.

https://www.iana.org/
NAME

whois -- Internet domain name and network number directory service

SYNOPSIS

whois [-aAbfgilPQmQRS] [-c TLD | -h host] [-p port] [--] name ...

DESCRIPTION

The whois utility looks up records in the databases maintained by several Network Information Centers (NICs).

By default whois starts by querying the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) whois server, and follows referrals to whois servers that have more specific details about the query name. The IANA whois server knows about IP address and AS numbers as well as domain names.

There are a few special cases where referrals do not work, so whois goes directly to the appropriate server. These include point-of-contact handles for ARIN, nic.at, NORID, and RIPE, and domain names under ac.uk.

The options are as follows:
"cidr0_cidrs": [ 
    { 
        "v4prefix": "192.12.216.0",
        "length": 24
    }
],
"arin_origina0_originautnums": [ ]
]
"port43": "whois.arin.net",
"objectClassName": "entity"
}
laptop$ curl -s https://rdap.arin.net/registry/entity/SIT | jq '.autnums[0].handle'
"AS16889"
laptop$ curl -s https://rdap.arin.net/registry/entity/SIT | 
> jq -M '{ "AS": .autnums[0].handle, "Netblocks": [ .networks[] | "\(\(startAddress\) - \(endAddress\)\)" ]}'
{
    "AS": "AS16889",
    "Netblocks": [ 
        "155.246.0.0 - 155.246.255.255",
        "192.12.216.0 - 192.12.216.255"
    ]
}
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5  130.156.251.25 (130.156.251.25) [AS21976]  1.648 ms 1.632 ms 1.613 ms
6  nyiix.bas1-m.nyc.yahoo.com (198.32.160.121) [AS4637]  1.573 ms 1.601 ms 1.605 ms
7  ae-1.pat1.bfw.yahoo.com (209.191.64.163) [AS10310]  10.364 ms 14.906 ms 10.394 ms
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11 usw1-1-lbb.bf2.yahoo.com (74.6.98.138) [AS26101]  11.732 ms 13.141 ms usw2-1-lbb.bf2.yahoo.com (74.6.98.139) [AS26101]  11.707 ms
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Daily stats

Daily traffic statistics, all colocations combined.

- **Total Daily Peak In**: 9.454 Tb/s
- **Total Daily Peak Out**: 9.448 Tb/s
- **Average In**: 6.71 Tb/s
- **Average Out**: 6.709 Tb/s
- **Current In**: 8.131 Tb/s
- **Current Out**: 8.131 Tb/s
Summary and Questions

• Identify AS numbers of other organizations and companies and find out where they peer.

• Research and review some of publicly known cases of “depeering” between ISPs and how this could lead to degraded network performance for their respective customers.

• Review the list of largest internet exchange points and compare their throughput and facilities; try to find out more information about e.g., the “NAP of the Americas”.

• Consider joining the NANOG mailing list at: https://nanog.org

Coming up: tracing packets and applications
Links

• https://www.opte.org/
• https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Autonomous_system_(Internet)
• https://www.iana.org/assignments/as-numbers/as-numbers.xhtml
• whois(1)
• https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peering
• https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Internet_exchange_points_by_size
• https://peeringdb.com/
• https://nanog.org