

# Network Peering Dashboard for SURFnet

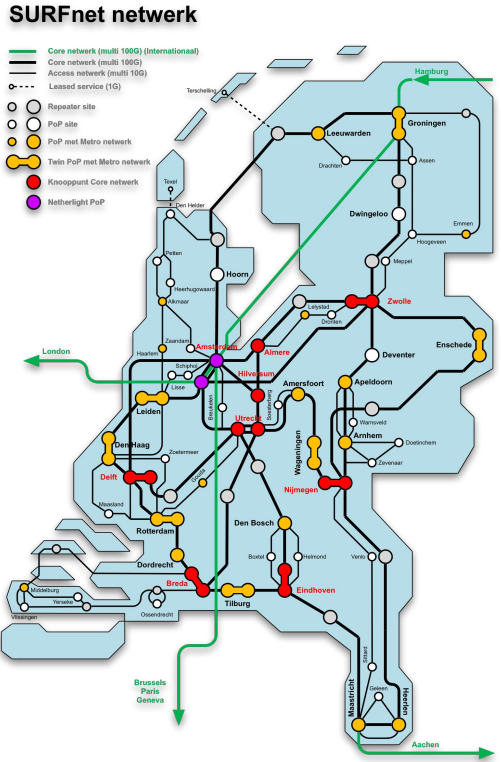
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# Introduction

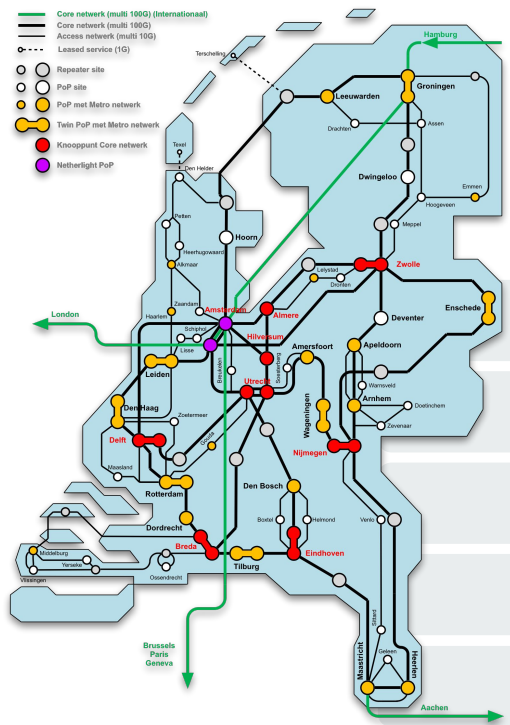


SURFnet's AS 1103 Network Topology - Courtesy of SURFnet

# Introduction



SURFnet network



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# Motivation



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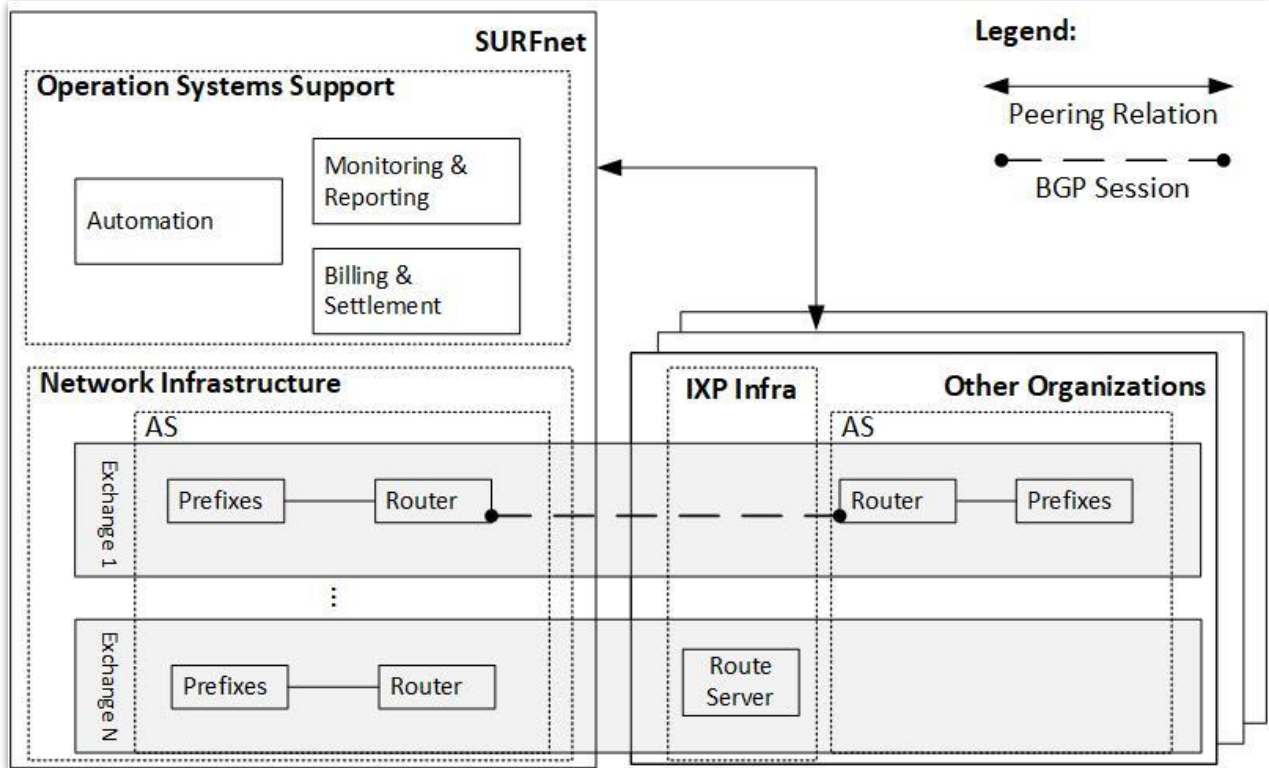
Management of peering strategies and policies: knowledge and constant monitoring.

93000+ ASes

Dynamic environment

Data vs Information

# SURFnet's Context



# Research question



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Which methods are available for the **representation and processing of the peering relations** and make optimisation recommendations?

**What information and which information sources** should be available as input for a tool to fulfill SURFnet's requirements?

Can these methods and tools also recommend **peers for the best redundancy**?

## **Problem Characterisation and Methodology:**

Burke et al. describe the criteria and a methodology to select the appropriate approaches for information filtering.

## **Data Sources and tools:**

CAIDA's Inferred AS Relationship explained the tools and methods used to collect the data set, and provided a valuable source of information.

## **Prototype design:**

Felferny et al. provided an information filtering implementation example.



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# Methodology



How do we **map** the BGP peering optimisation problem to an appropriate **solution**?

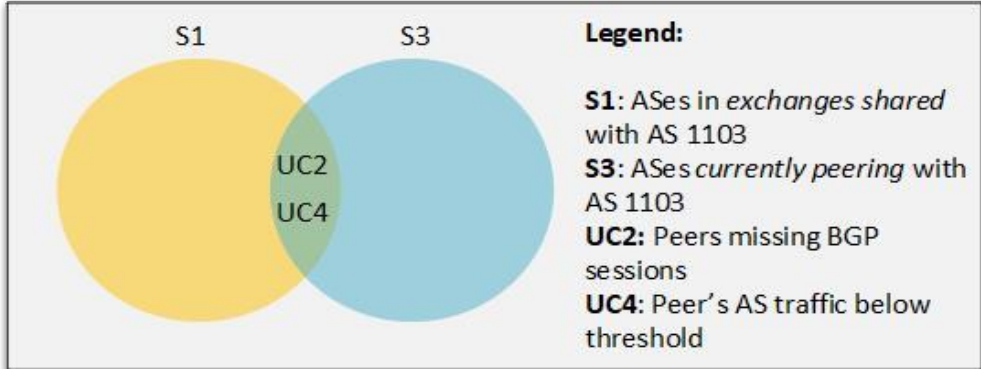
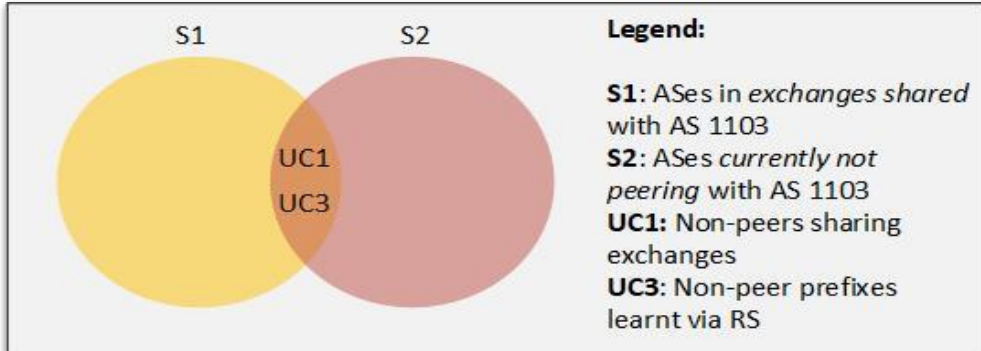
Scenario definitions and problem characterisation

Domain Model

Information & Sources

Prototype

# Optimisation Scenarios Overview



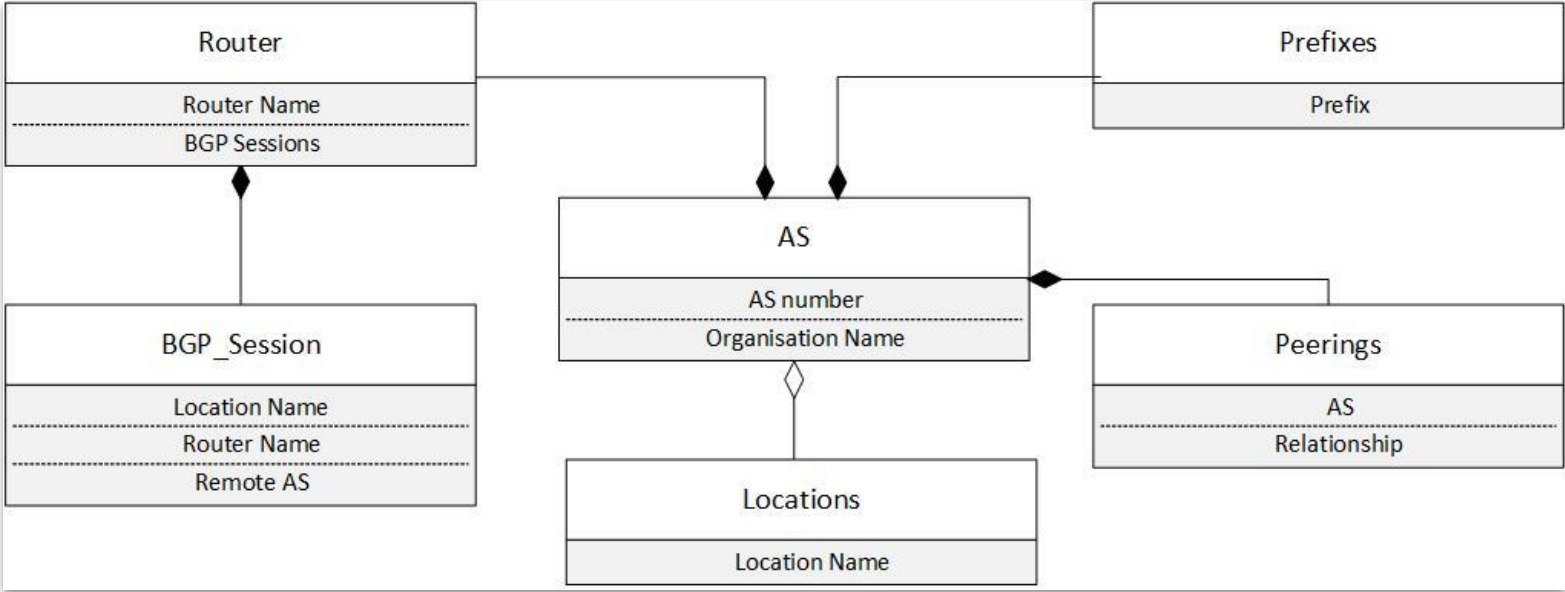
# Recommendation Systems



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A Recommendation Systems is a type of information filtering system, that recommends an item based on predictions of its utility.

# Data organisation and sources



# Data organisation and sources - Example



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CAIDA's **AS Relationship** for AS1103 (excerpt)

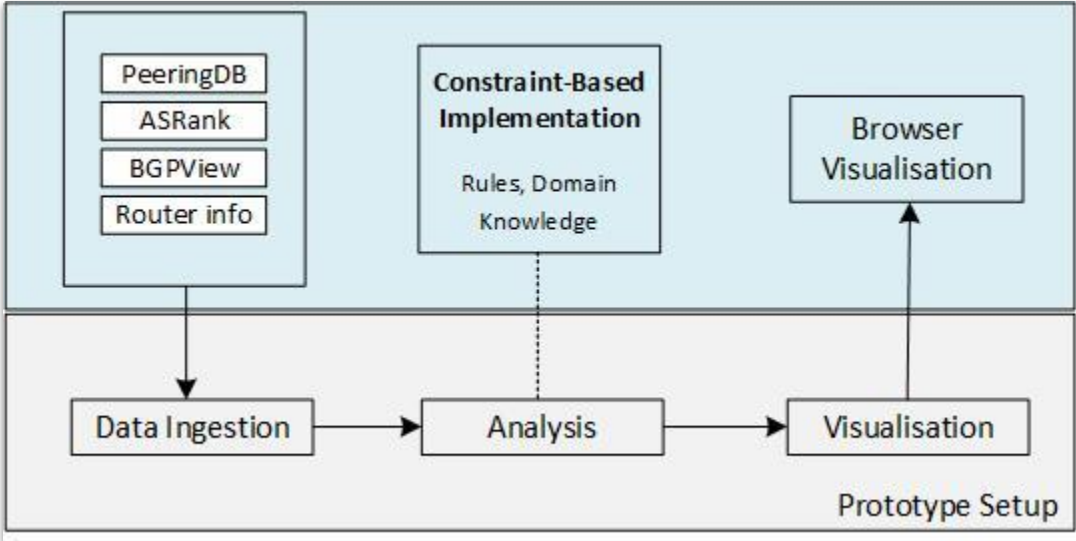
```
rp1_dashboard\proto_data_ingestion> more .\Resources\CAIDA_AS_REL_20190101.as-rel2
...
1103|5580|0|bgp
1103|5583|0|bgp
1103|5588|0|bgp
1103|5607|0|bgp
...
```

**Network Prefixes** from BGP View for AS1103

```
rp1_dashboard\proto_data_ingestion> more .\Resources\prefixes\prefixes_1103
as_number,prefix,ip,cidr,roa_status,name
1103,129.125.0.0/16,129.125.0.0,16,None,RUGNET
1103,130.37.0.0/16,130.37.0.0,16,None,VU-NET
1103,132.229.0.0/16,132.229.0.0,16,None,RUL-NL
1103,134.221.0.0/16,134.221.0.0,16,None,TNO
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# Prototype Design - Components





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# Results

# Overview of results



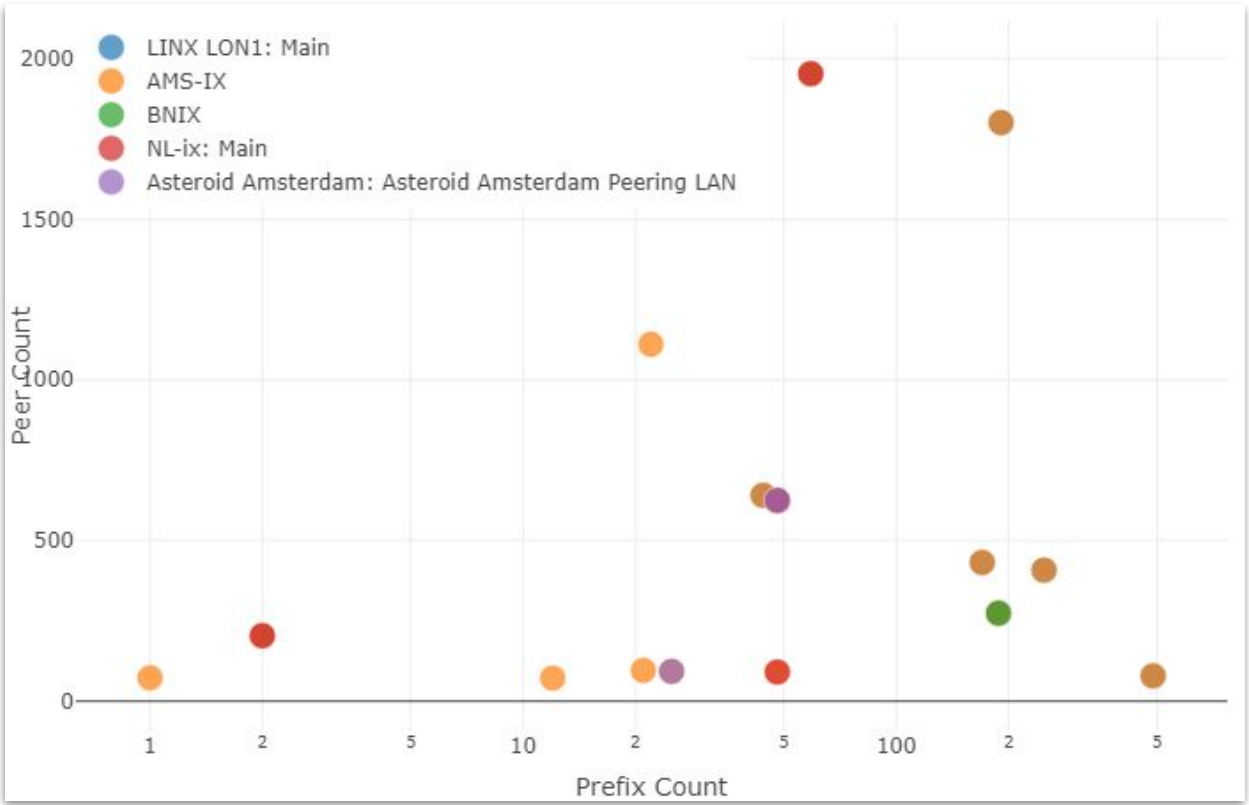
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Name	Data Input	Analysis
1 Propose suitable new Peers	●	●
2 Propose the establishment of BGP sessions if Peer missing on a router	●	●
3 Propose migrating traffic handled by Route Servers to a new Peer	●	●
4 Propose disconnecting Peers when traffic is no longer significant	●	●

● Objective accomplished    ● Objective partially accomplished    ● Inconclusive



# UC2: New BGP sessions if missing



# UC2: New BGP sessions if missing - output



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We analysed 63468 ASes, of which 980 are peers present in at least one exchange where SURFnet is present. Of these ASes, **15** are configured only on one of the routers of SURFnet.

An **example AS** from the resulting set is: **AS3267** (Verizon Com).

Additionally, the following **remark** was generated for this AS:

*Missing session in: Asd001b, location: AMS-IX.*

# Discussion and Future Work



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## Data aspects:

Accuracy, Availability and Completeness. Extraction time and alternative data sources. Limitations.

## Analysis and Visualisation:

Performance, Real-time availability, Ranking capabilities. Limitations

## Future Work:

Data inconsistency management, exploratory analysis and new scenarios.  
Performance optimisations.



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# Conclusion

Which methods are available for the **representation and processing of the peering relations** and make optimisation **recommendations**?

**Proposed an approach and built a prototype, after evaluating alternatives.**

**Defined the information required and corresponding sources.**

From our results, we identified limitations in th datasets and highlight the **importance of obtaining accurate and complete information**, and managing it. Also, the need for more **ranking capabilities** and real-time interactivity.



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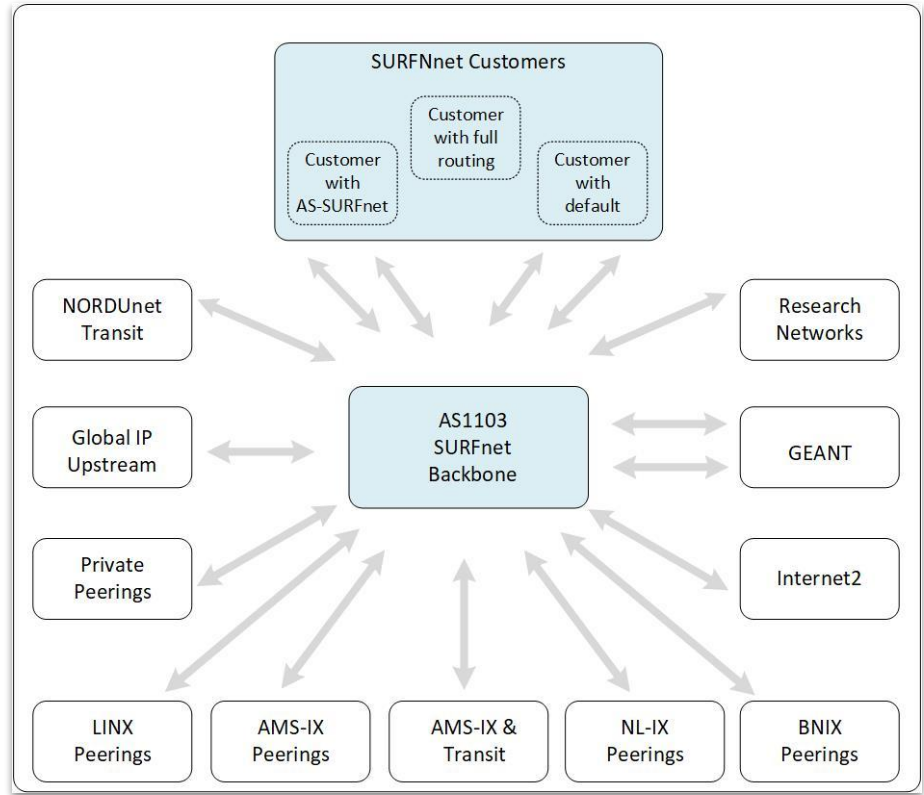
# Questions?



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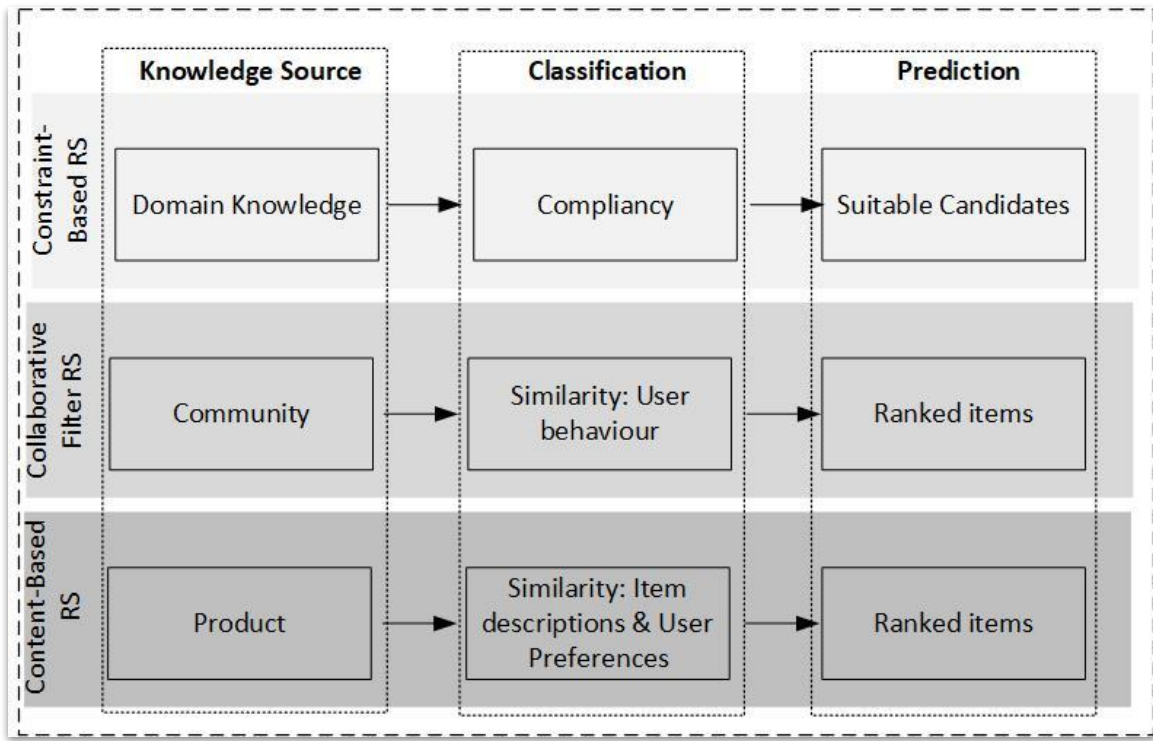
# Backup slides

# Background - SURFnet's Routing Policy

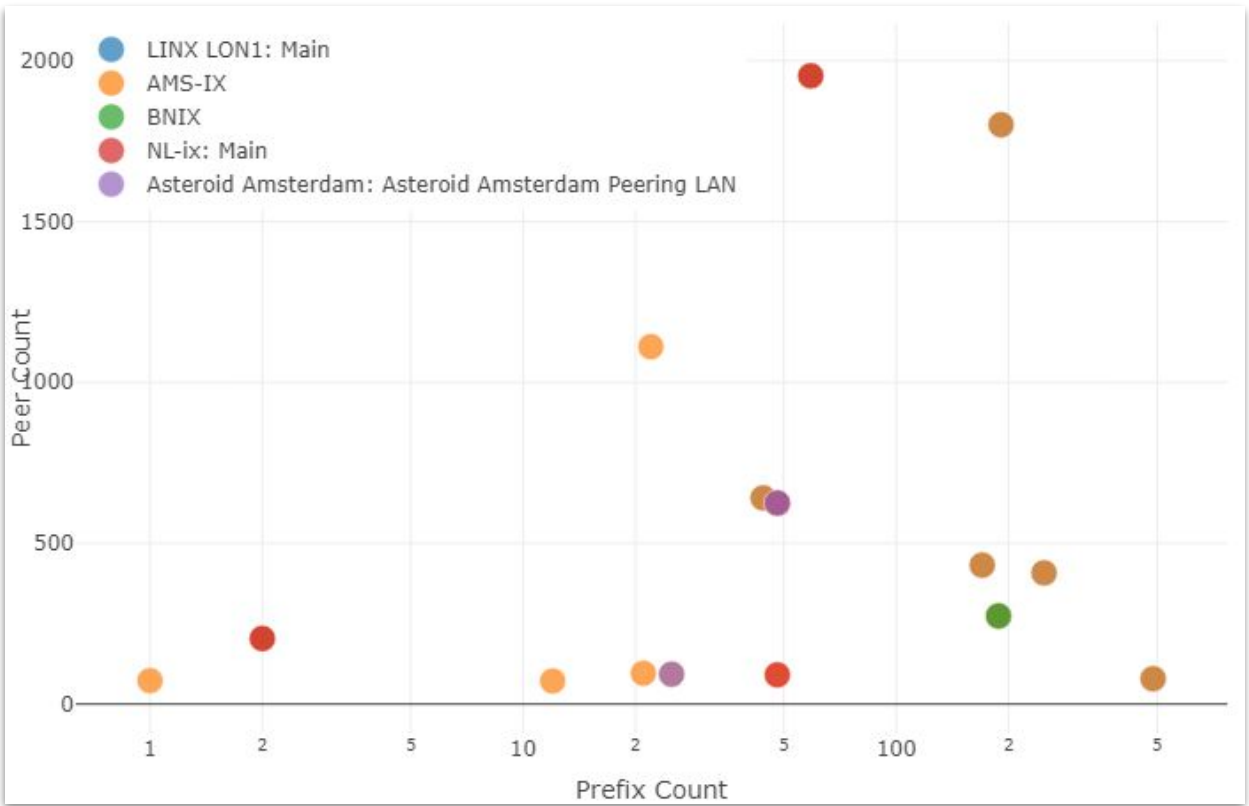




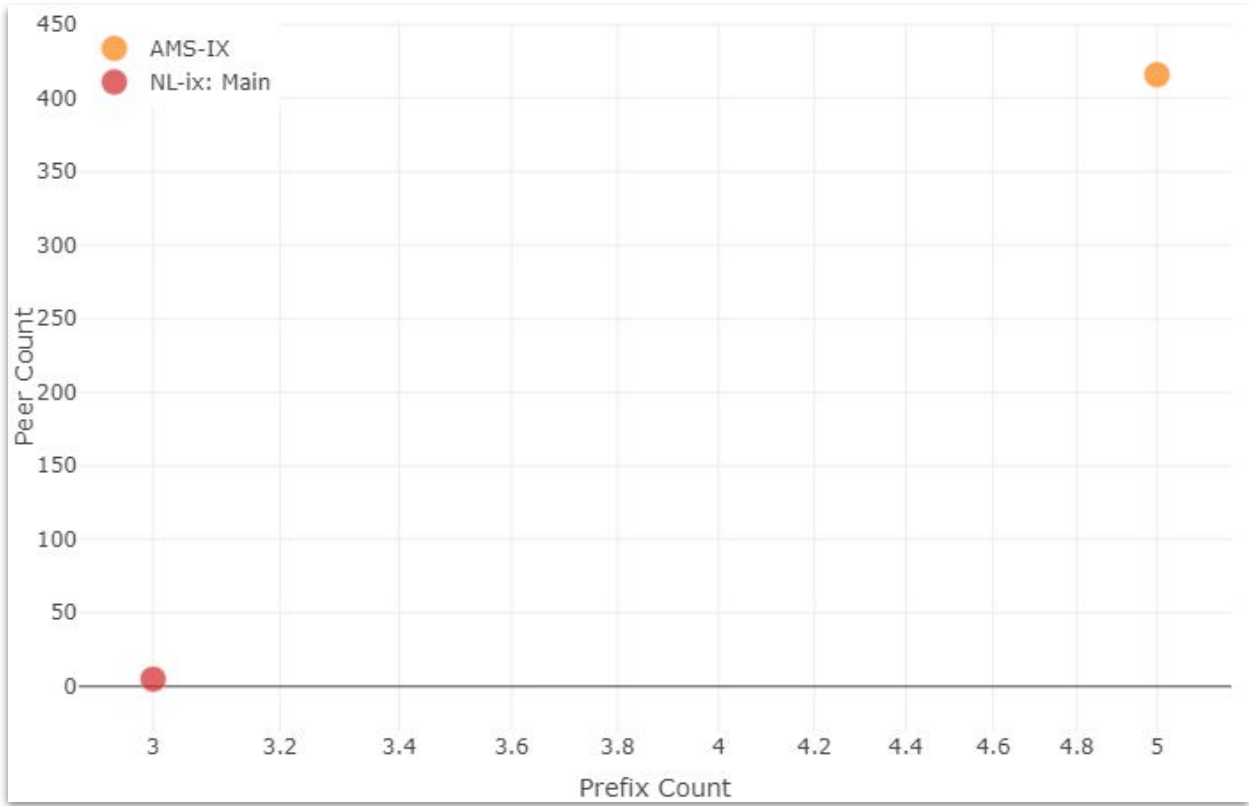
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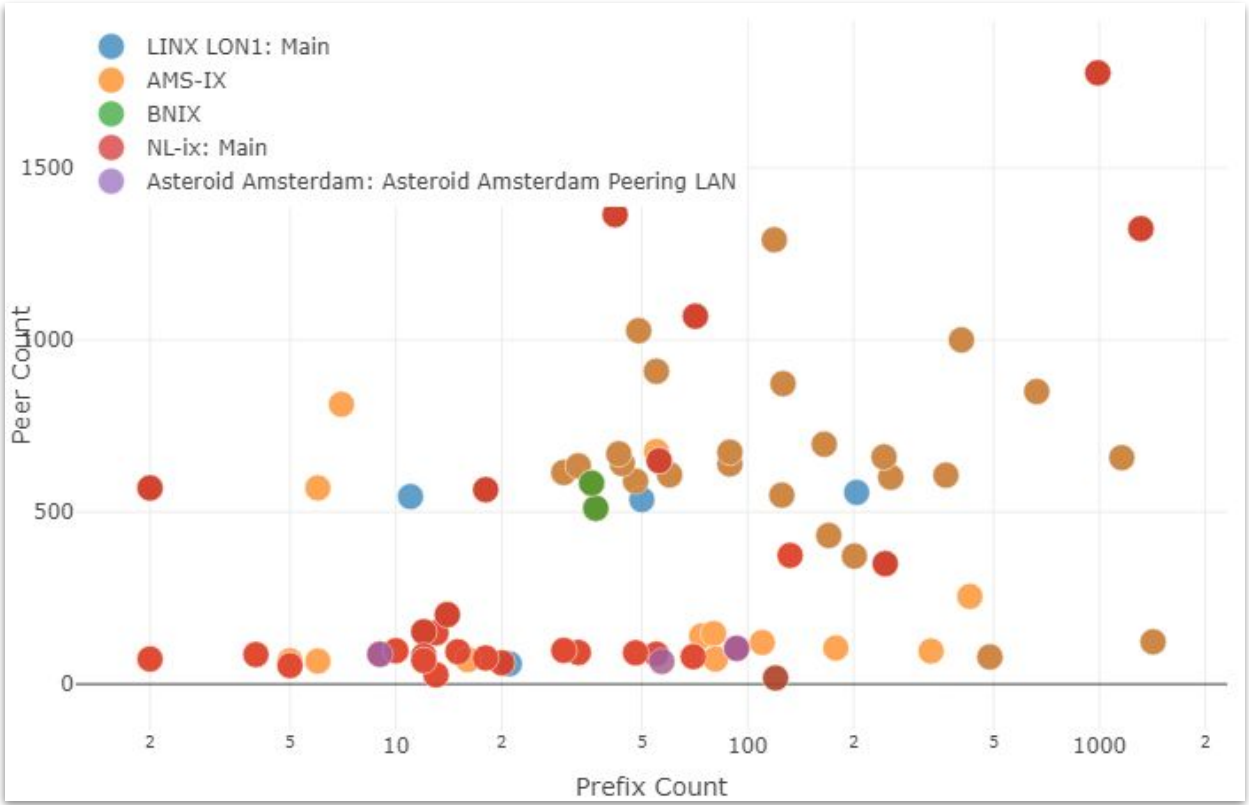
# UC2: Peers missing BGP sessions



# UC3: Non-peer prefixes learnt via RS



# UC4: Peer's AS traffic below threshold



Due to time/environment constraints, further use cases were not evaluated. These are listed below:

- Further explore other **recommendation approaches** to further rank ASes according to refined criteria (SURFnet mentioned, for instance: traffic, AS Path length, delay, destinations available).
- With regards to **performance**, evaluate data-processing oriented frameworks, in particular the open-source project PNDA.