Measuring RPKI adoption and impact

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Research questions

- How is RPKI adoption evolving over time?
 - Coverage of routed prefixes by ROAs
 - Deployment of ROV
- What is the impact of RPKI adoption?
 - Spread of RPKI-invalid BGP updates
 - BGP hijacking

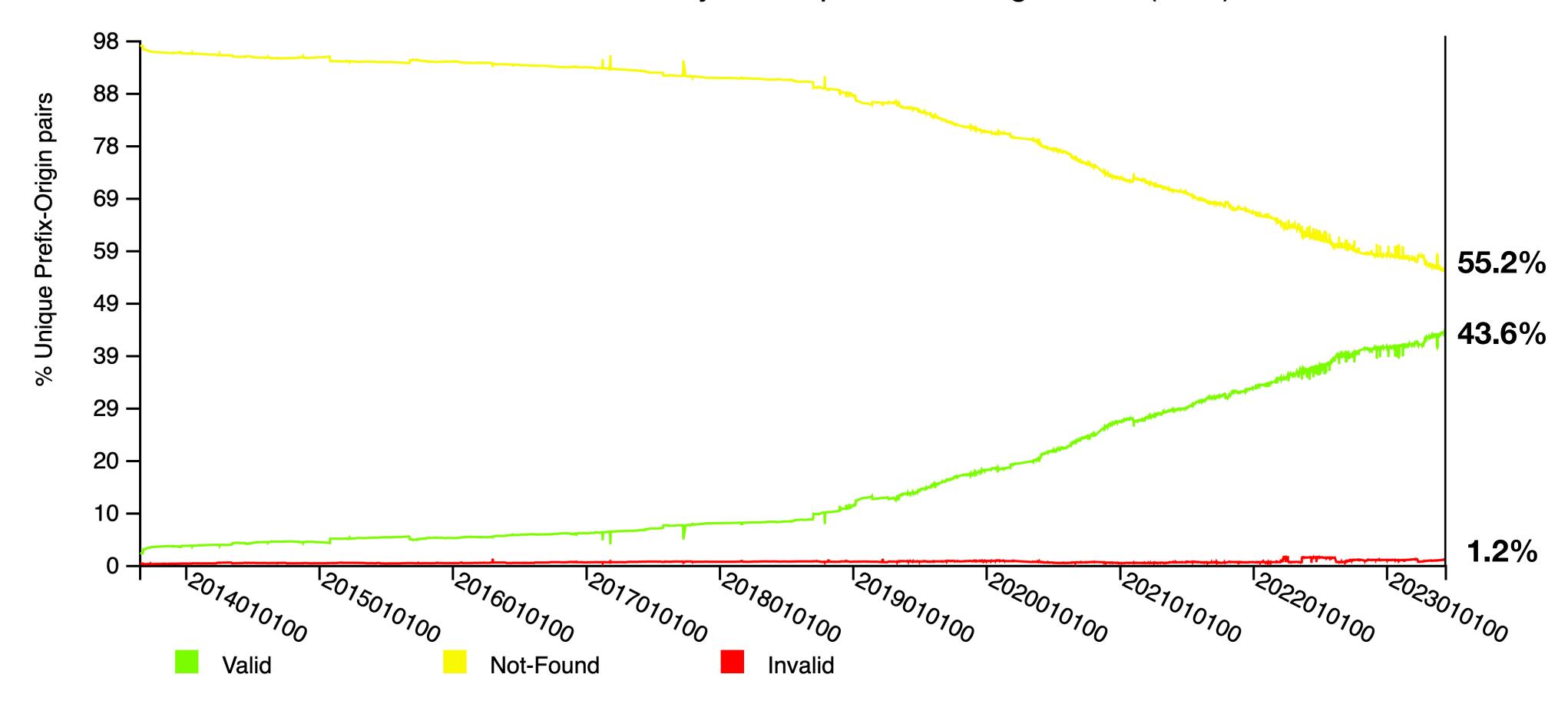


Coverage of Routed Prefixes



BGP prefixes covered by ROA over time from NIST



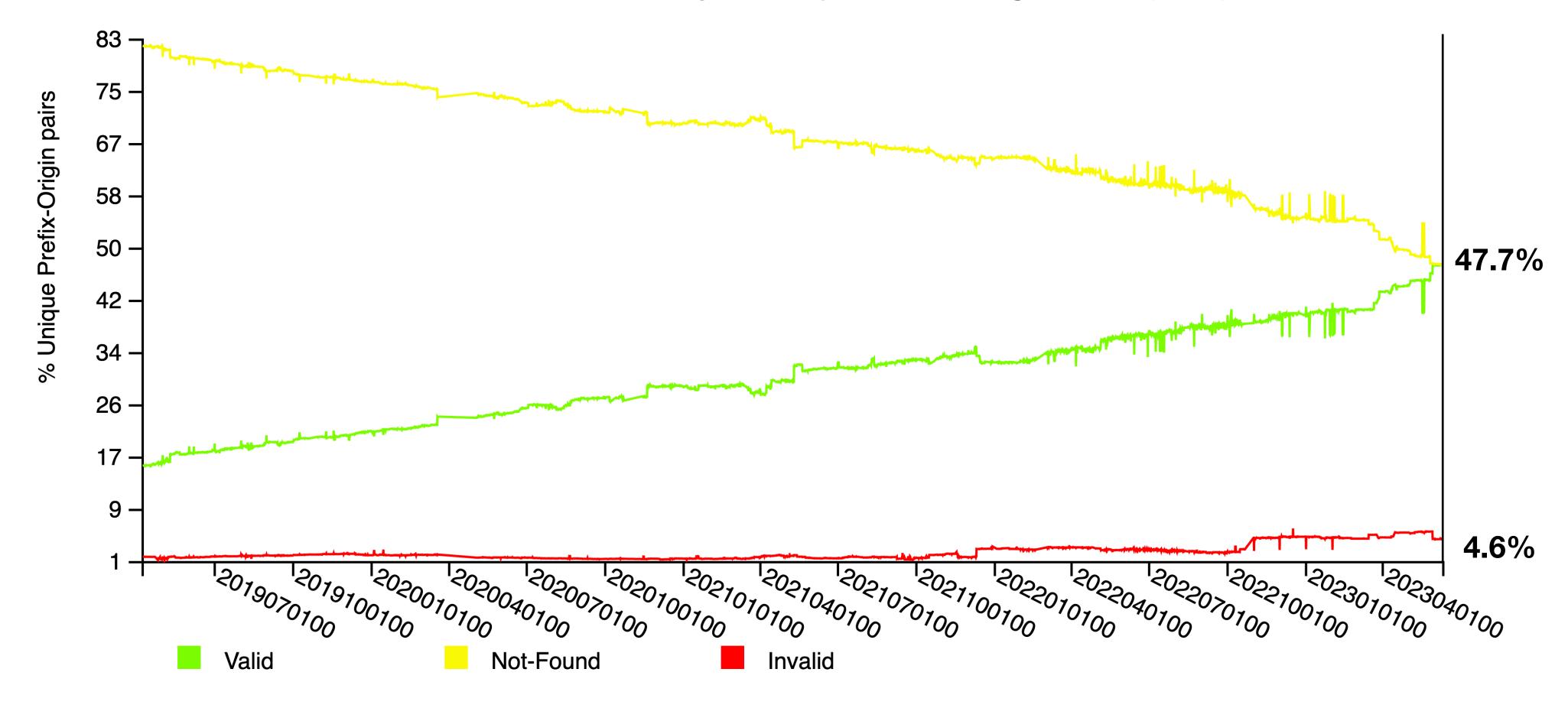


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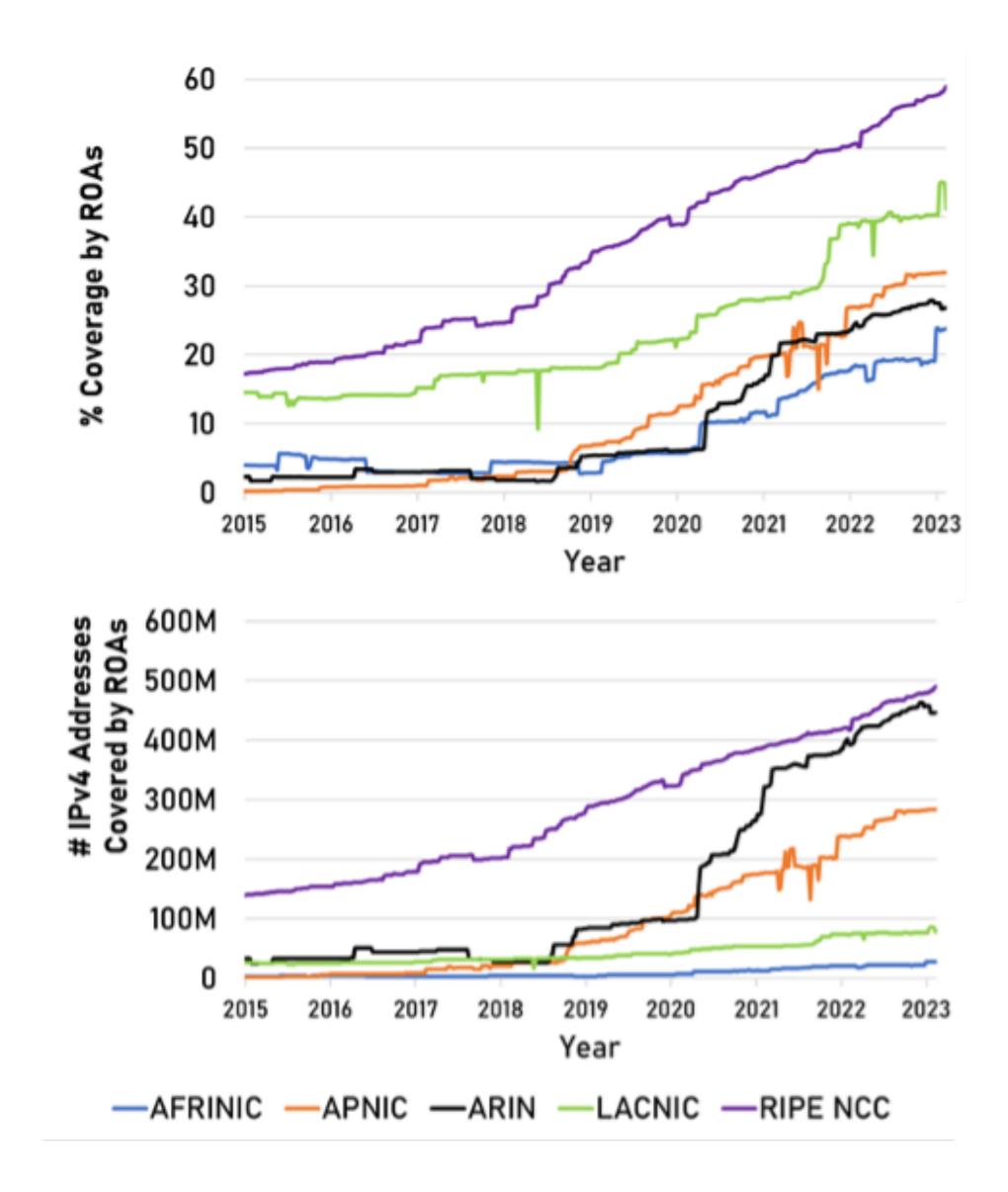


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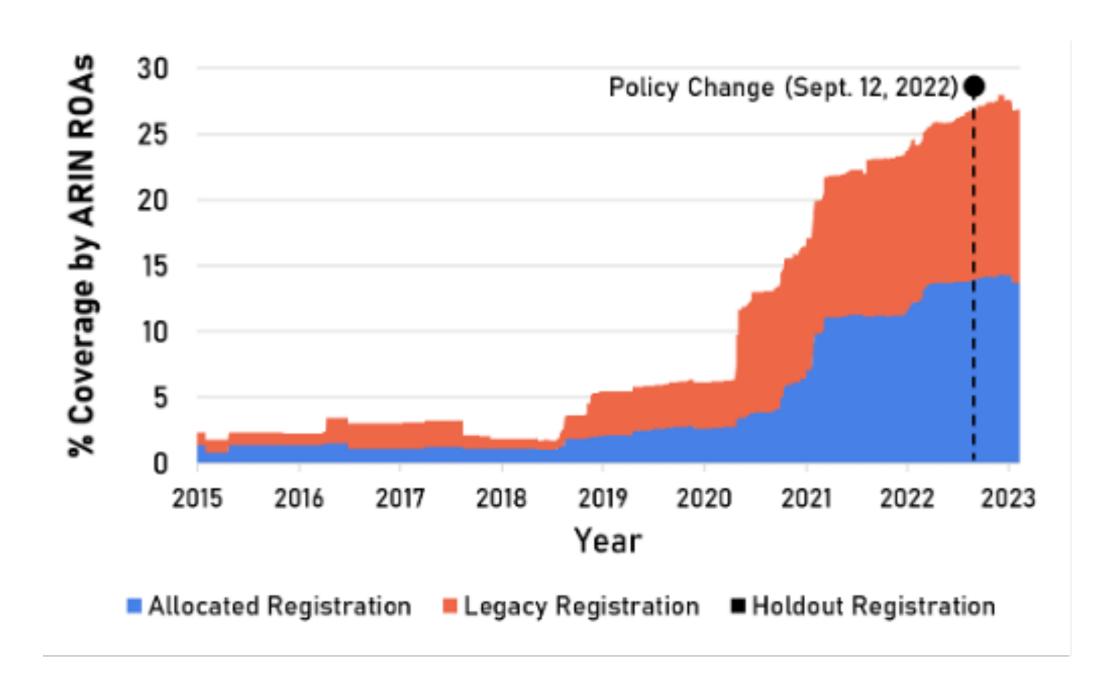
ARIN singularity

- ARIN required legal agreements to:
 - issue ROAs,
 - access ROAs (RPKI TAL),
 - publish ROAs in machine readable way.
- Legacy addresses treated differently.
- Requirements changed in Sept 2022.





Legacy IP addresses



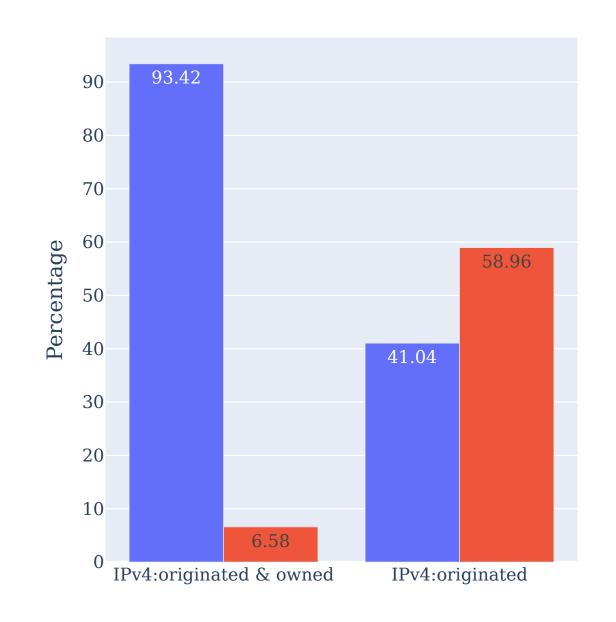
Organization	/8 legacy holdout count	Other Prefixes covered by ROAs
Apple	1	No
AT&T	1	Yes
Cogent	1	Yes
DISA	12	No
Ford	1	No

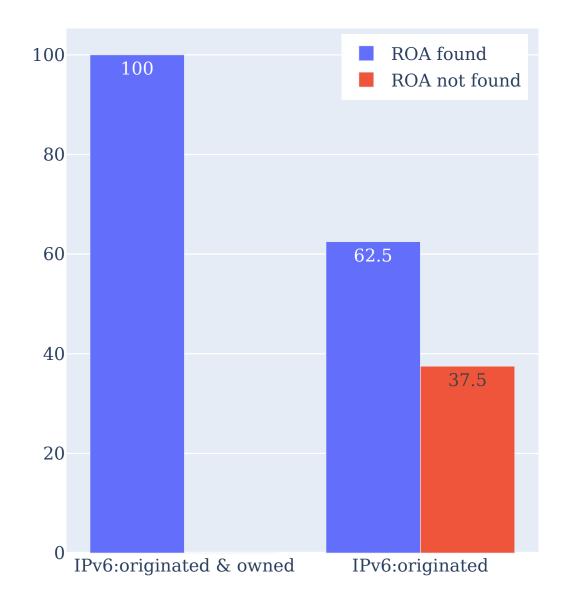


ROA coverage by organization vs. by ASN

Case study of IIJ ROA Coverage

- Originated prefixes ~ 41%
- Originates & Owned ~ 93%







ROA coverage by organization vs. by ASN

Org by prefix origination	% Prefixes	# Orgs	ROA Coverage (%)	
No AS	13.53	29765	47.23	Should be easy but org. challenges
Originates only by own AS	10.12	23737	35.28	Should be easy but org. challenges (?)
Originates by self & others	10.61	8906	33.65	Afraid of mess
Originates self & others	12.38	10641	50.58	Less afraid of mess
Originates self & others by self & others	53.36	5594	42.98	Messy but large orgs



ROV Deployment



ROV deployment in ASes peering with BGP collectors

• BGP collectors peers in 2023:

• IPv4: 315-320 ASNs

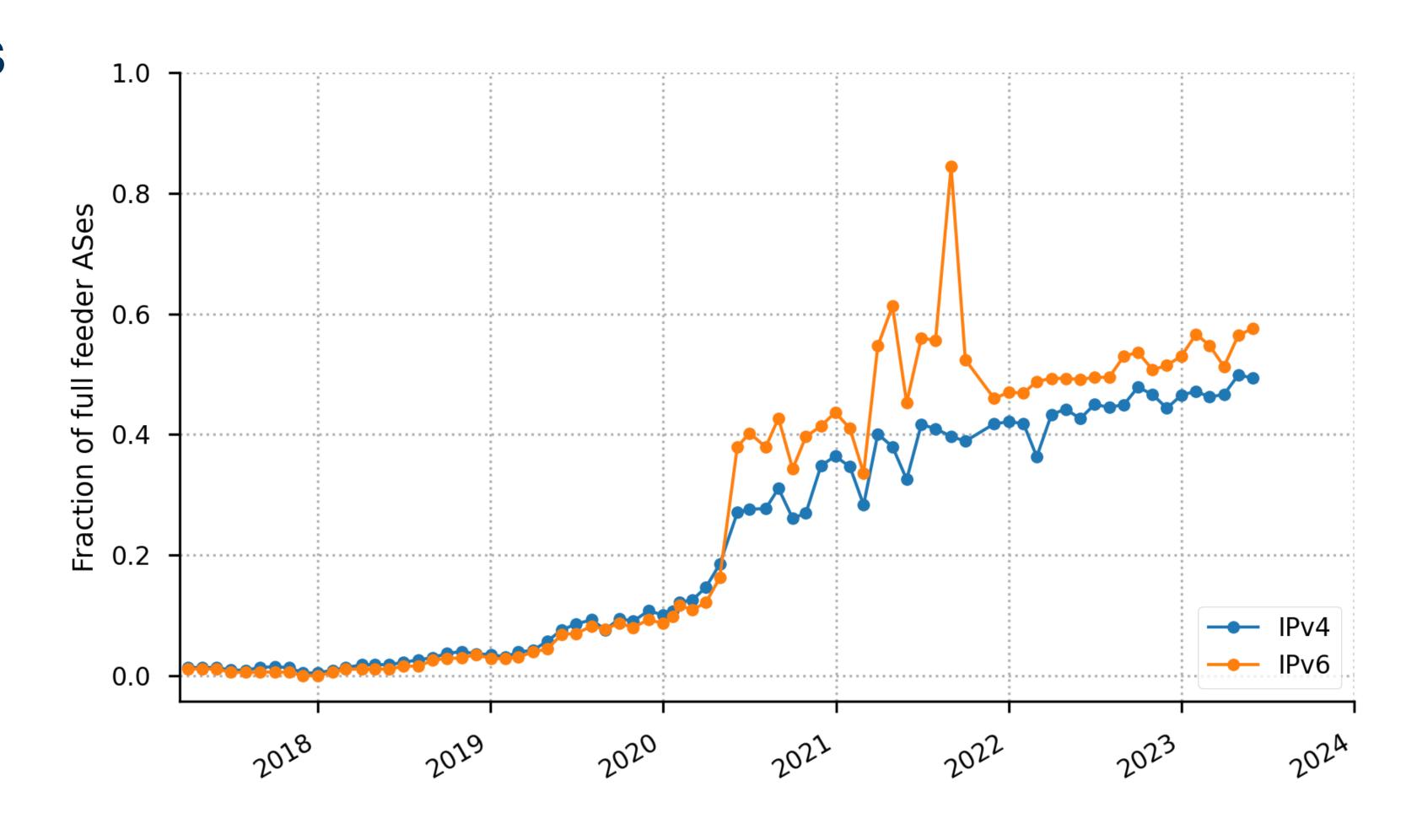
• IPv6: 280-290 ASNs

• ROV ASNs 06/2023

• IPv4: 155

• IPv6: 163

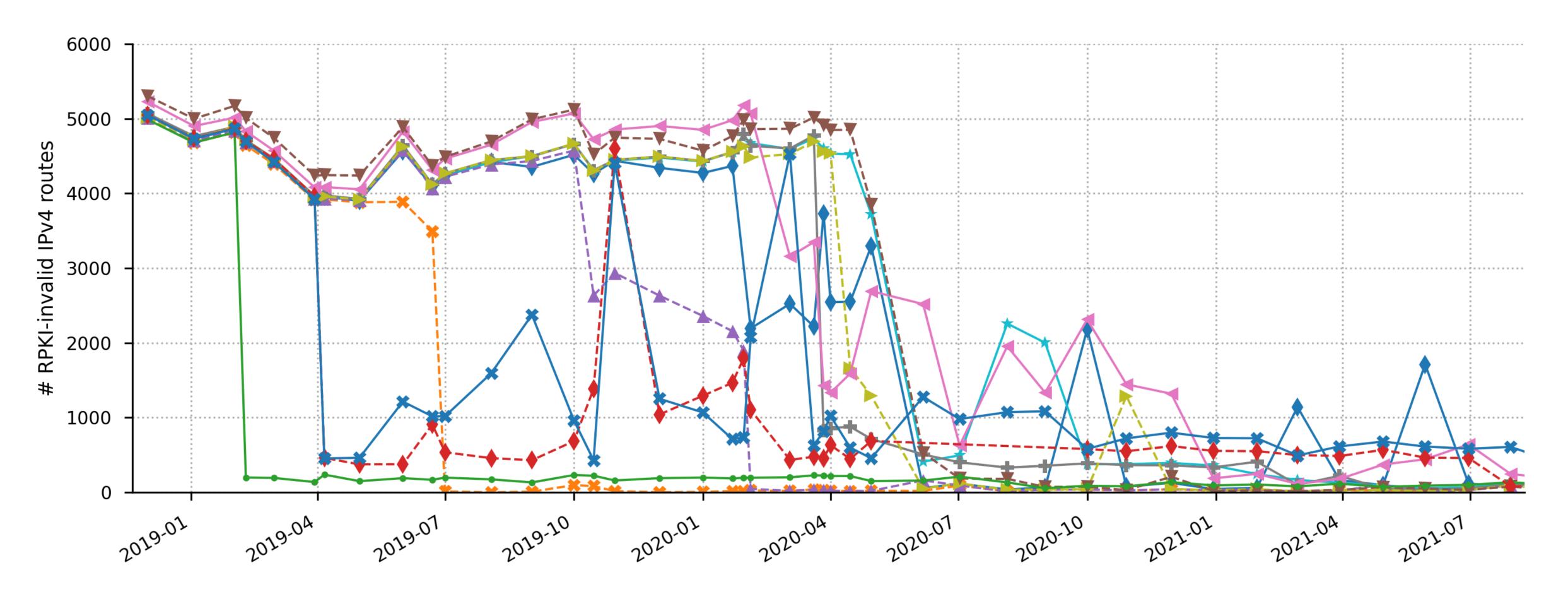
Unique ROV ASNs:
 303





RPKI-invalid prefix count over time 2019-2021

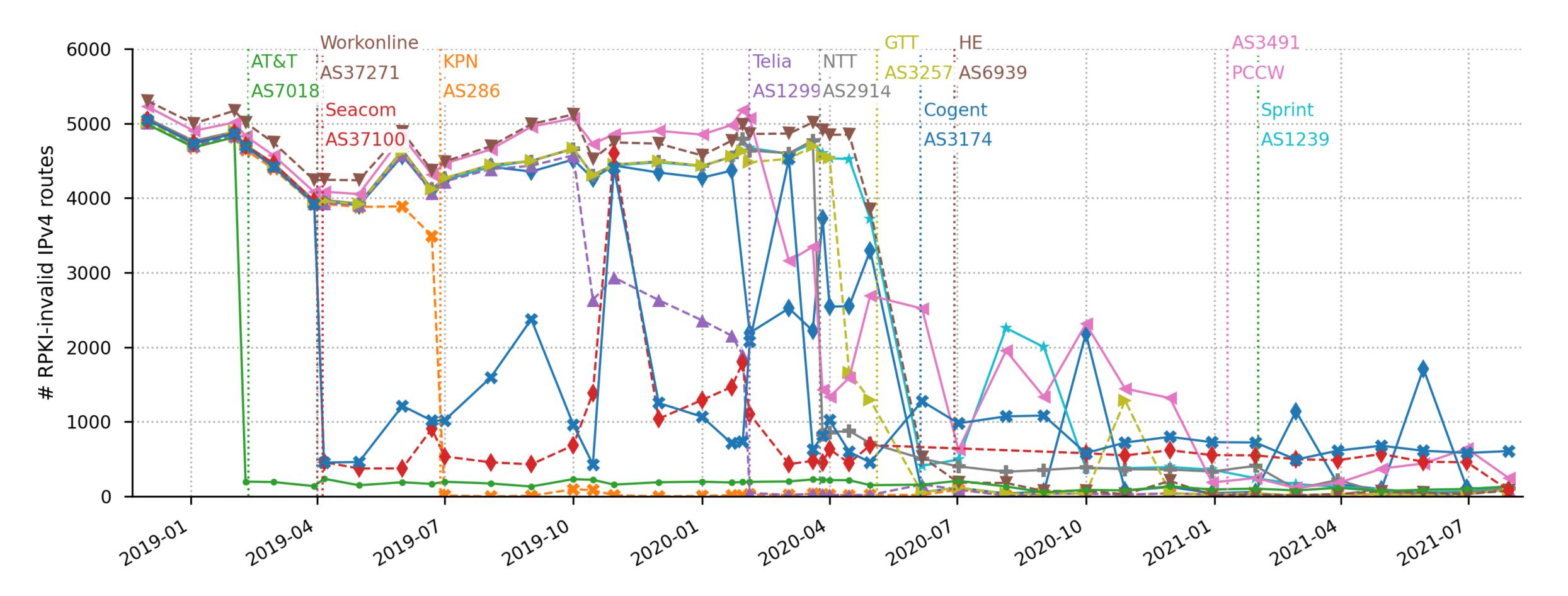






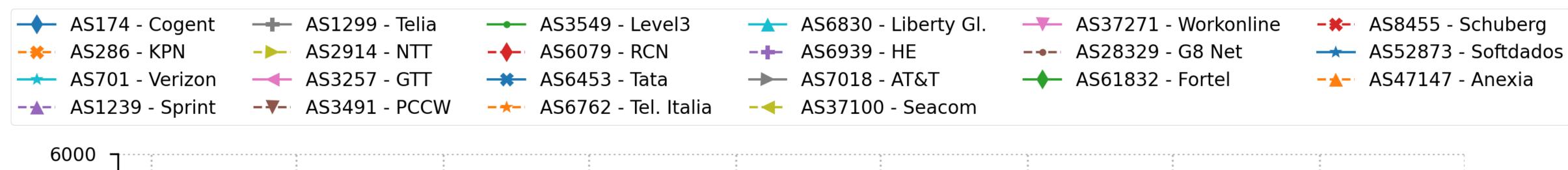
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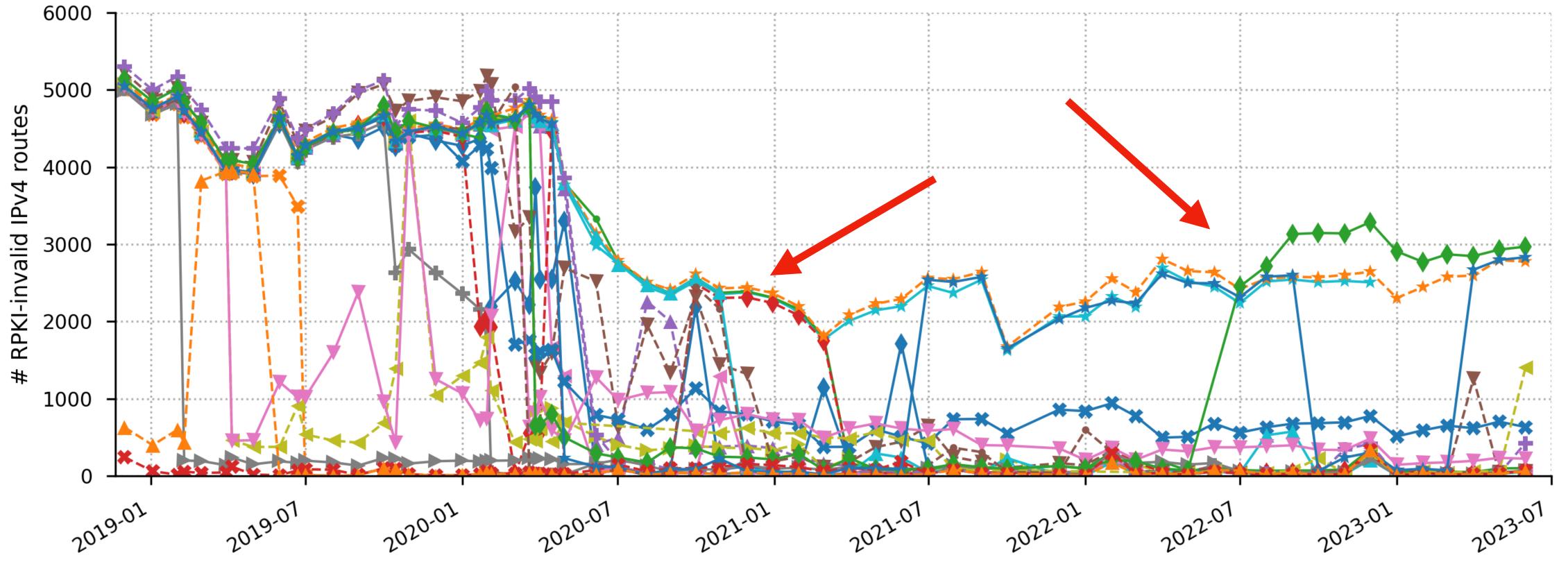






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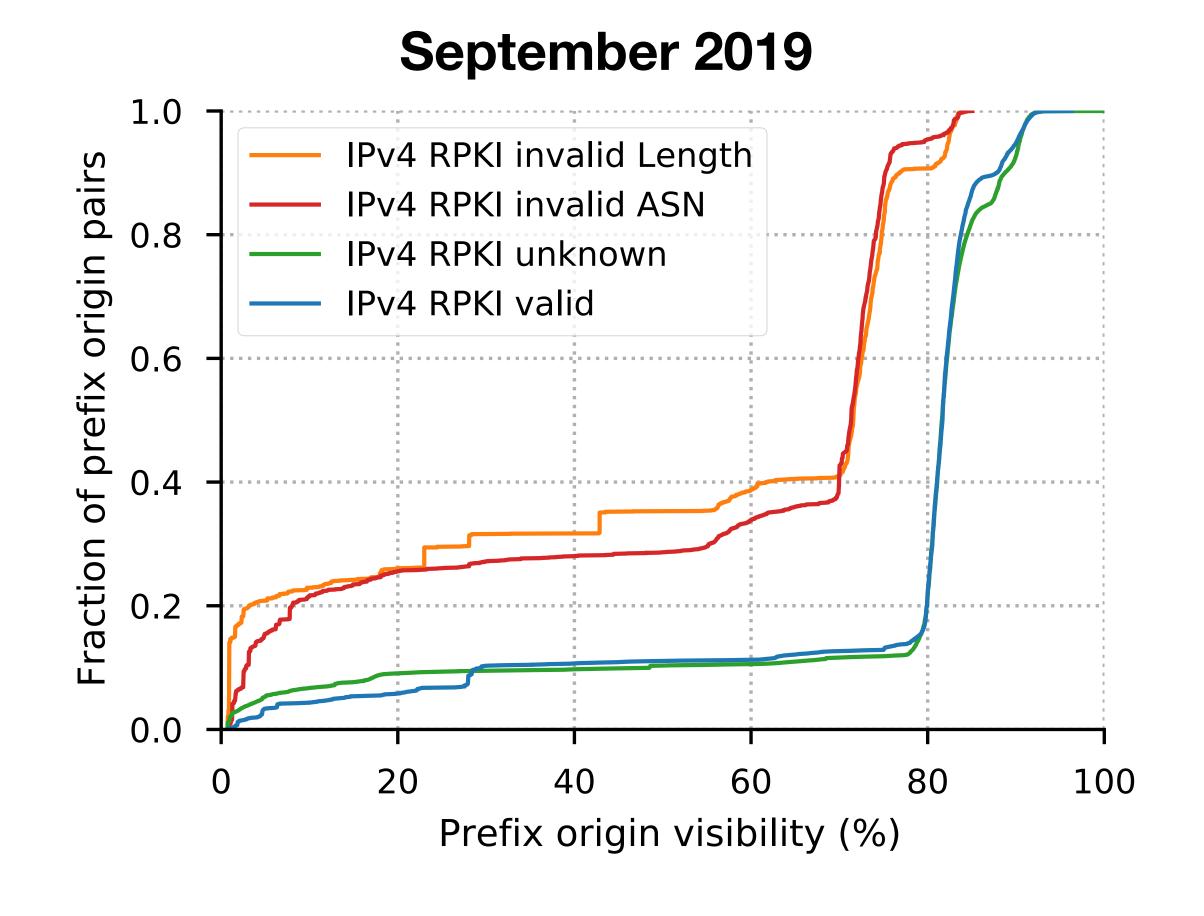


ROV Impact - RPKI Invalid visibility



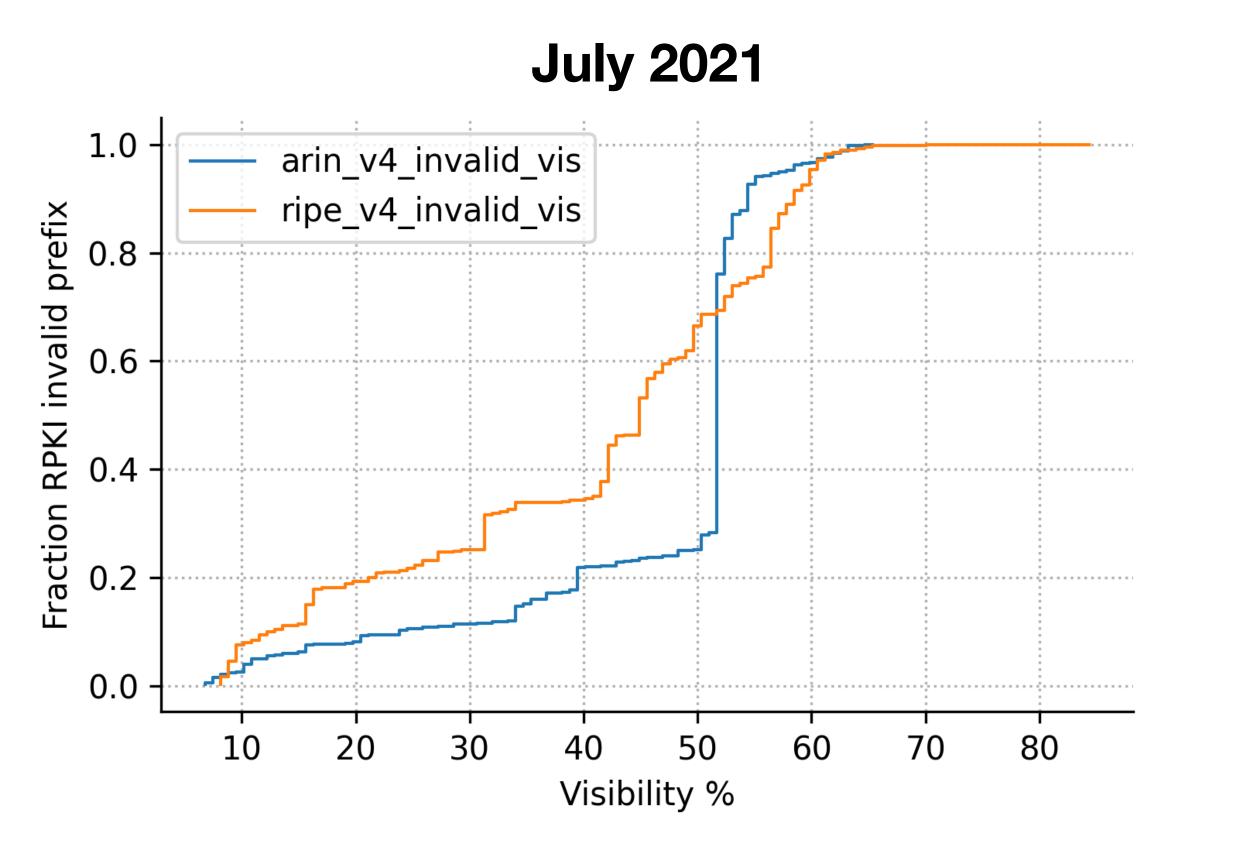
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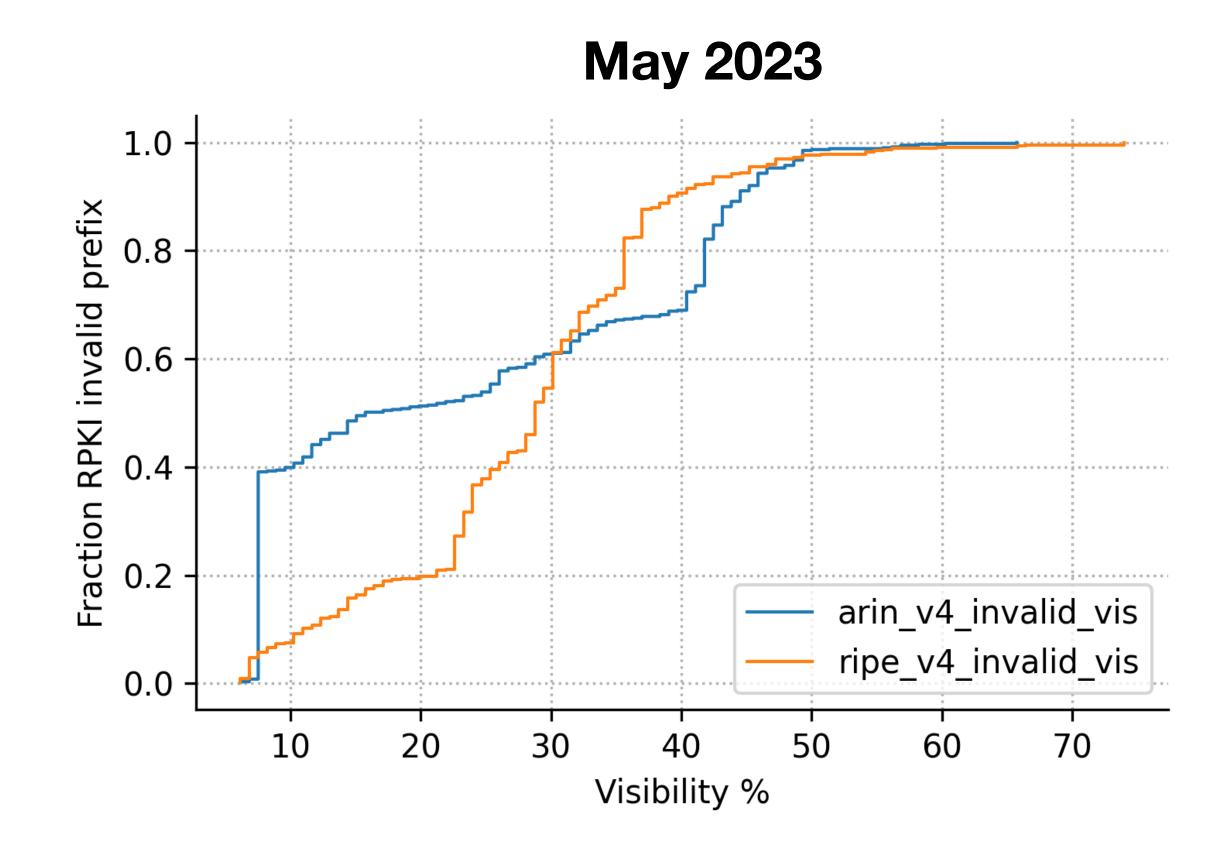
- ROAs impact prefix visibility.
- Most prefixes are either high visibility or low visibility
- Natural experiment option: each RIR defines its own RPKI-related policies.





ROV impact in RPKI invalid prefix visibility ARIN & RIPE





Arin still has more high-visibility RPKI-invalid prefixes



ARIN RPA

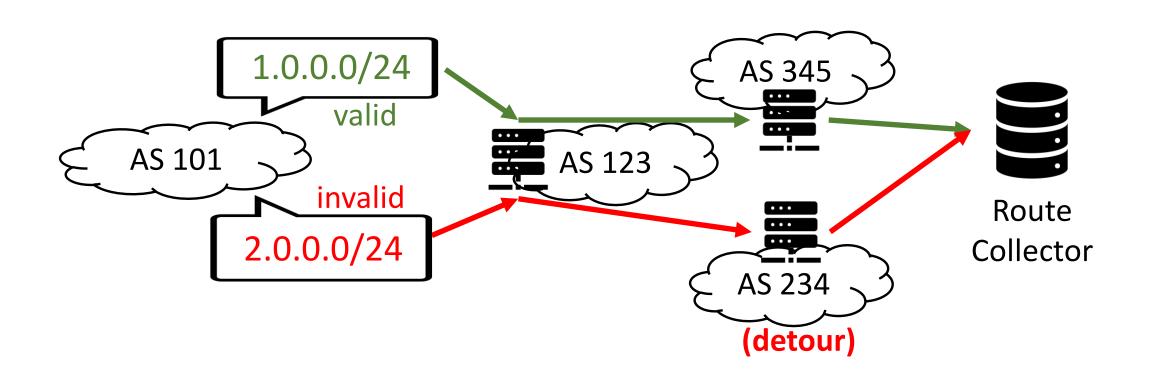
Validator	Auto download ARIN repo	Date of ARIN Update
FORT Validator	No, requires agreement	N/A
Routinator	Yes	11/10/22
RPKI Prover	Yes	11/22/22
Octo RPKI	Yes	4/5/23
RPSTIR2	Yes	3/4/21



ROV Impact - RPKI Invalid detour



Detour of RPKI invalid BGP announcements



- 160 detour ASNs
- Limitations: ROV depends on AS relationships (Hegemony score may help)

Transit ASN	Company	# AS	# Invalid Pfx
AS 6762	Telecom Italia	301	1,125
AS 6461	Zayo	59	147
AS 7473	Singapore Telecom	54	135
AS 6453	TATA America	38	78
AS 1273	Vodafone	13	18

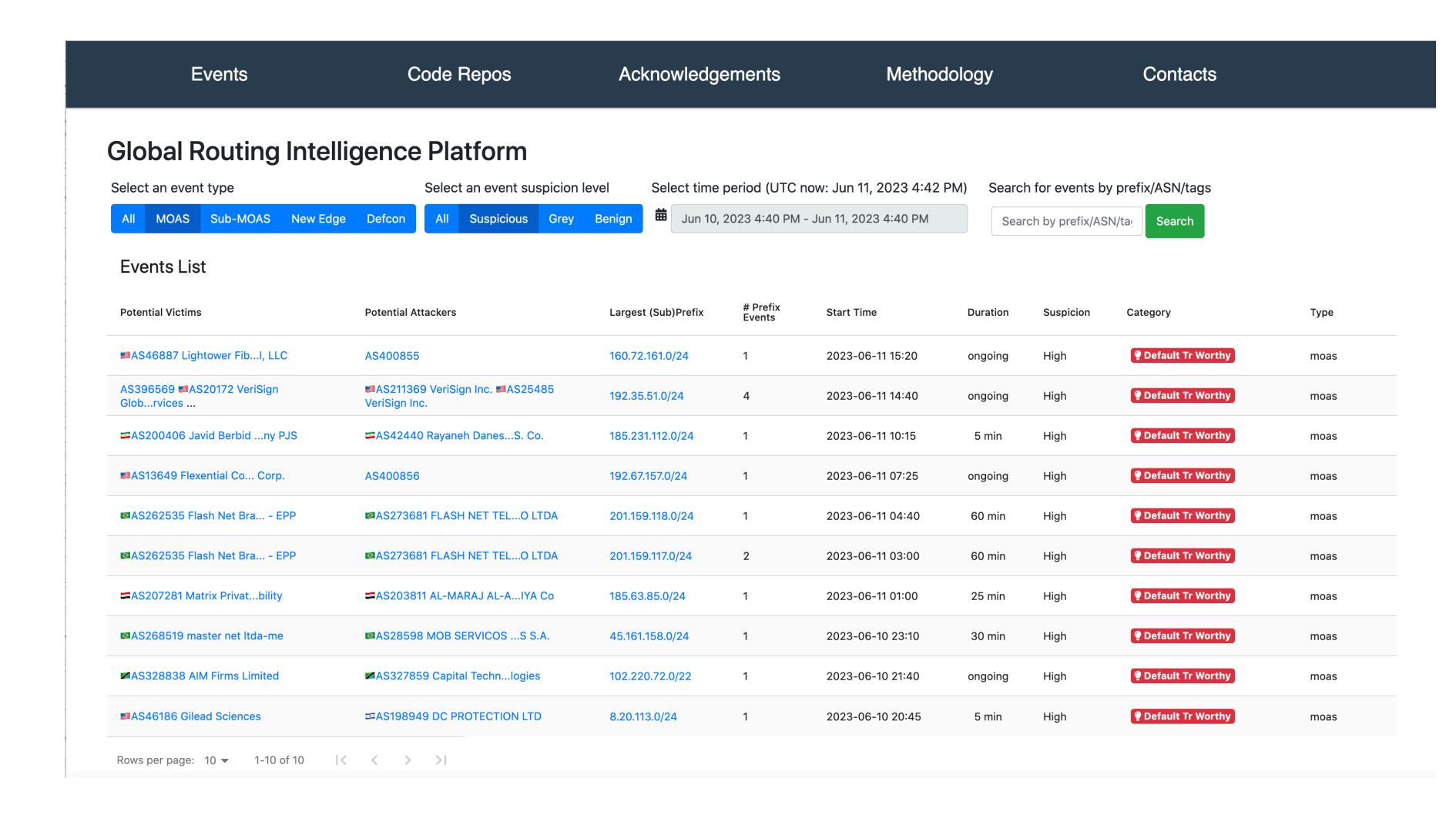


BGP Hijacks



Global Routing Internet Platform (GRIP)

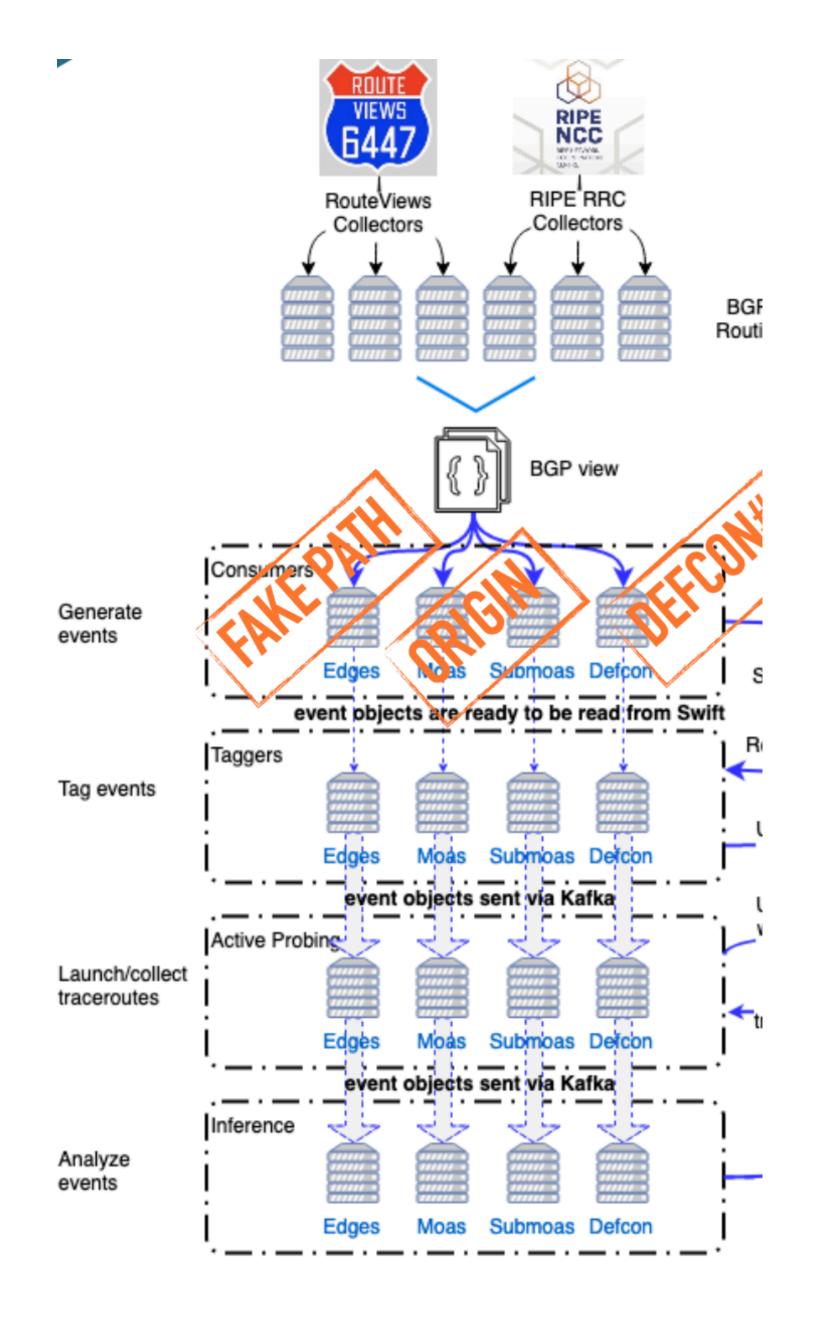
- All types of hijacks:
 - Origin
 - Fake path
 - Not preferred path (Defcon #16)
- In use by MANRS
 Observatory





GRIP Infrastructure

- Gathers all potential events
- Tags based on routing behavior and additional data (RPKI, IRR, AS type, etc)
- Inference engine to weed out false positive cases
- Allows to gather feedback





Thanks

