

Collecting and analyzing routing information with

# ROTONDA

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## BMP?

# BMP, oversimplified

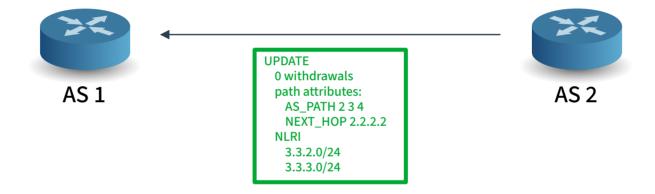




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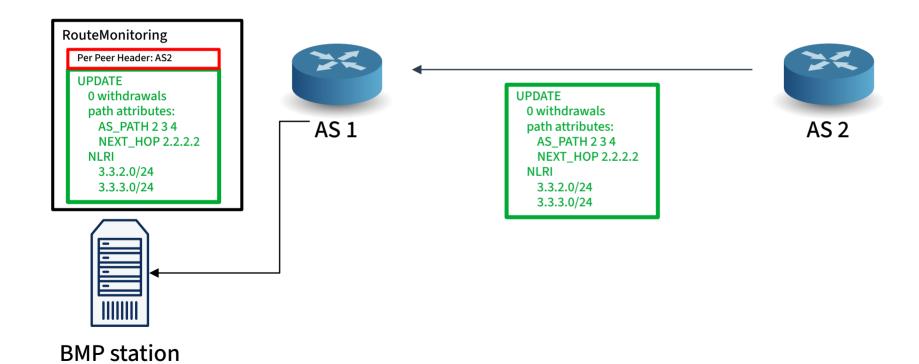
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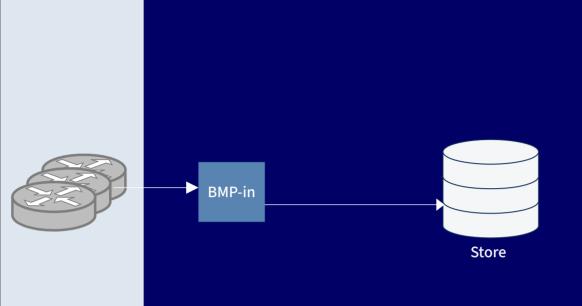




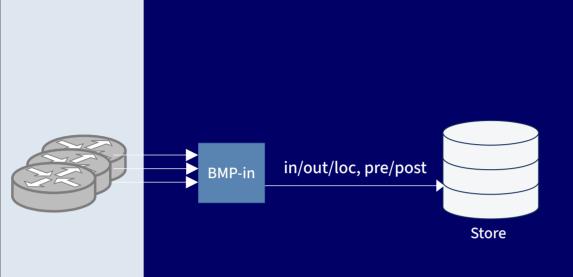
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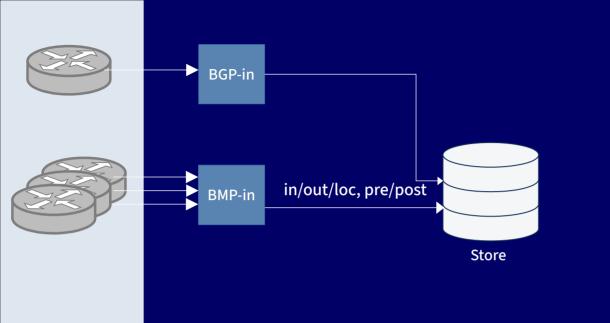




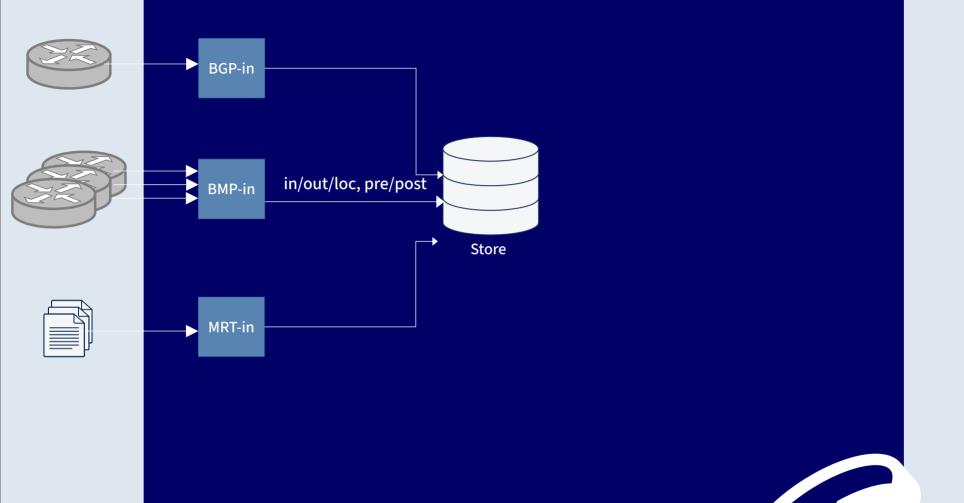




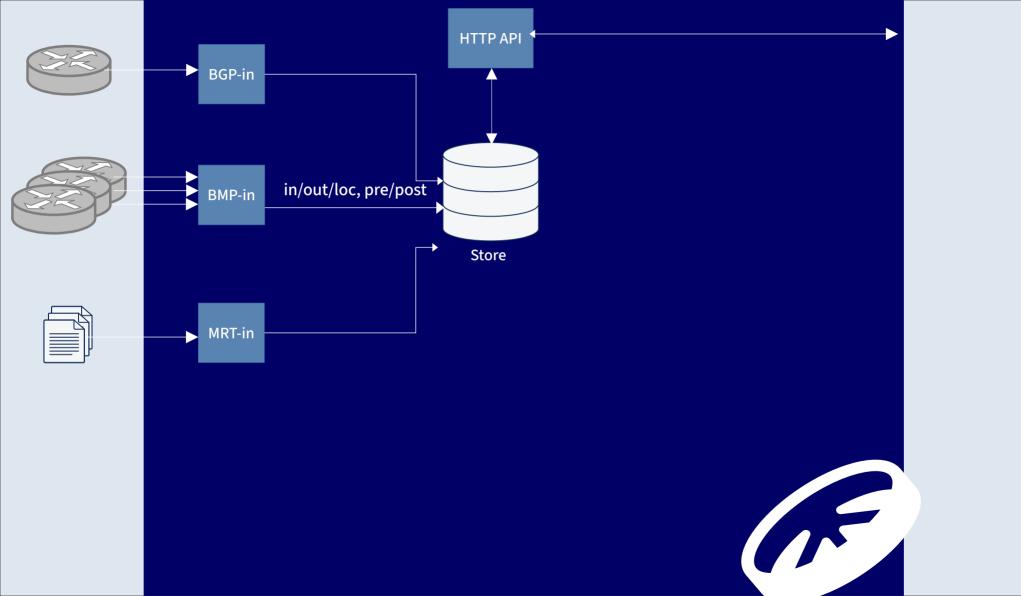


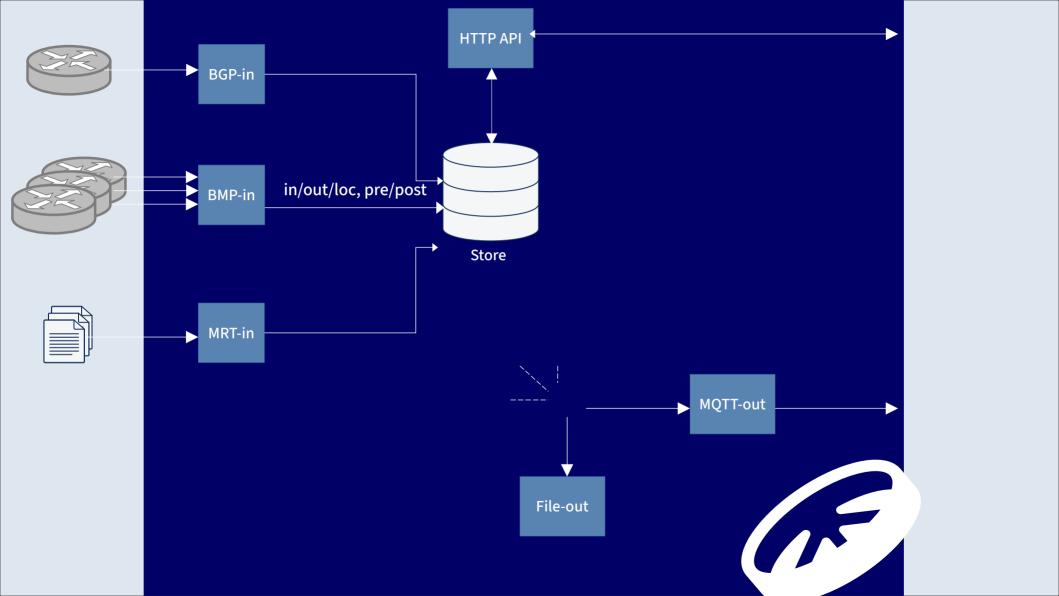


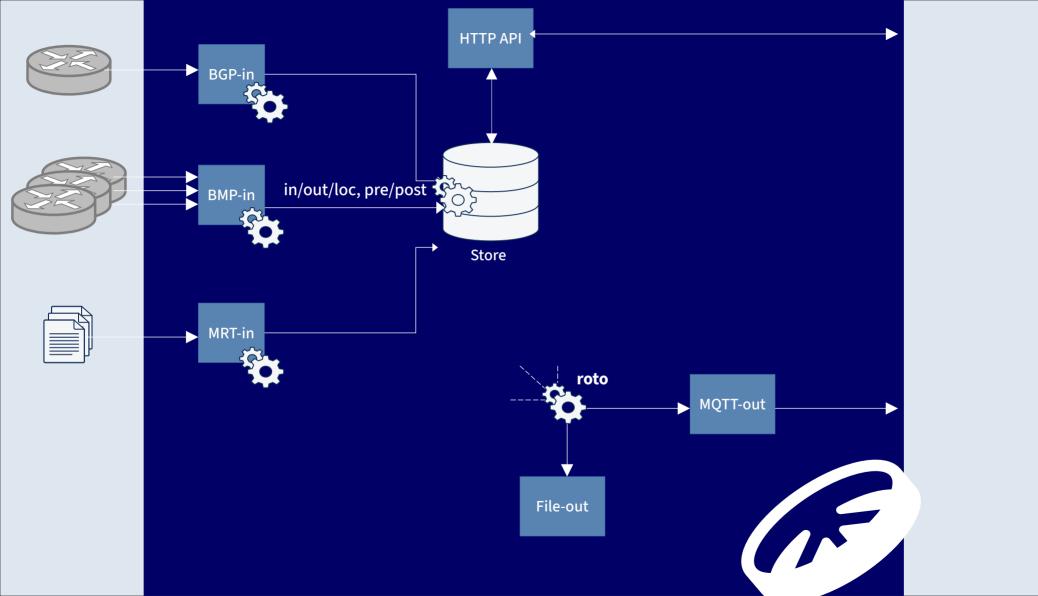












# **Introducing Roto**

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#### Syntax highlighting!

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filter bmp_in (bmp_msg: BmpMsg, ingress_info: IngressInfo) {
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    if bmp_msg.is_ibgp(my_asn) {
        # Don't store iBGP
        reject
    } else {
        accept
    }
}
```

#### Type checking and useful error messages!

```
filter bmp_in(bmp_msg: BmpMsg, ingress_info: IngressInfo) {
    let my_asn = 185.49.140.0/23; # <-- oops
    if bmp_msg.is_ibgp(my_asn) {
        reject
    } else {
        accept
    }
}</pre>
```

#### Type checking and useful error messages!

```
rotonda::manager: Unable to load main Roto script: Error: Type error: mismatched types
       /home/luuk/code/rotonda/axum-api/etc/filters.roto:81:24 ]
81
          if bmp_msq.is_ibqp(my_asn) {
                                      expected `Asn`, found `Prefix`
```

#### Compiled!

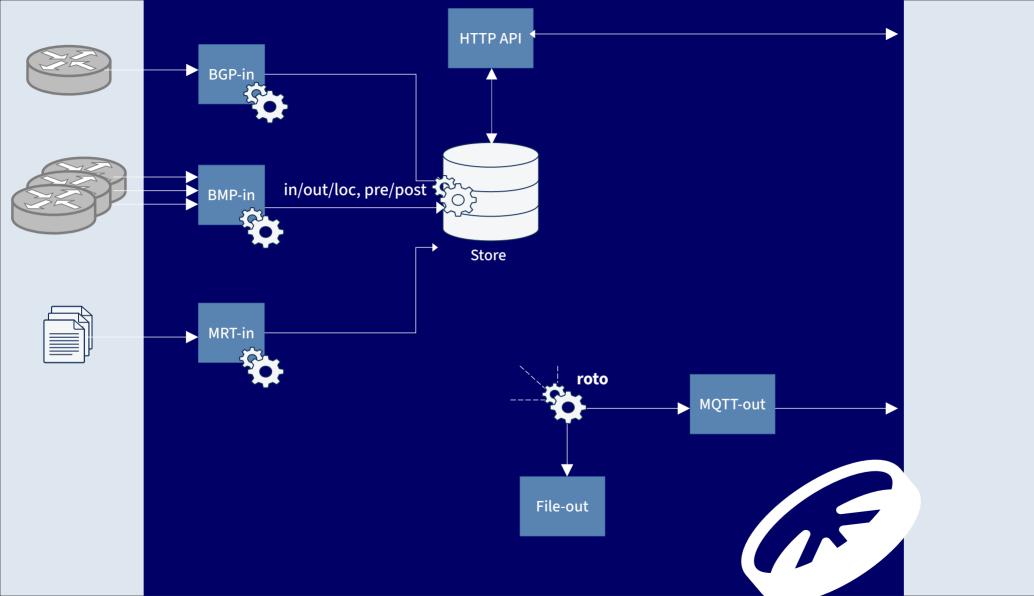
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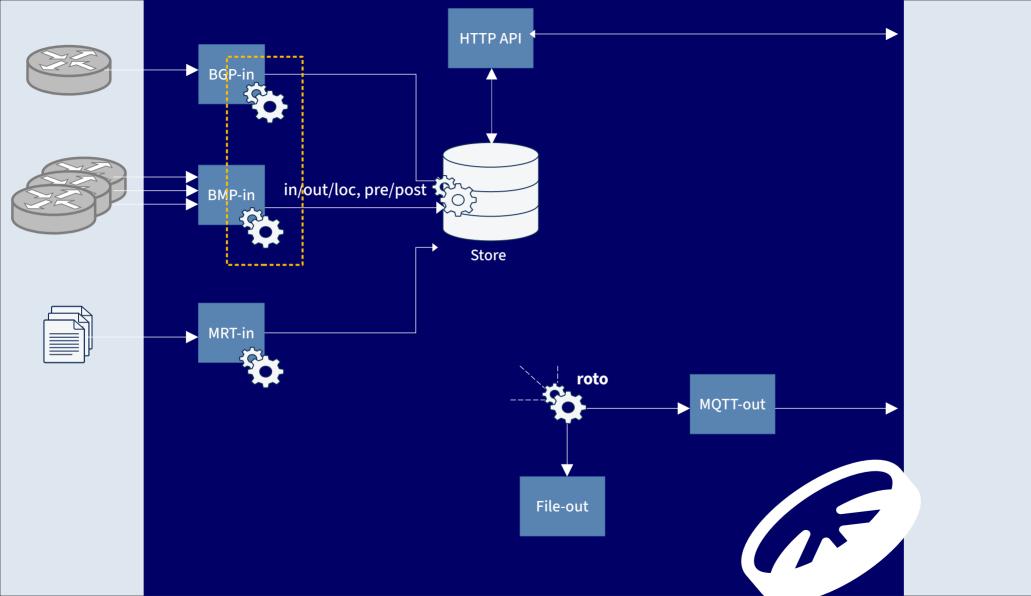
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```
r bmo in (bmo msa:
block5:
    v28 = iadd_imm.i64 v27, 4
    v29 = load.i32 aligned v28
    <u>v4</u>7 -> v29
    jump block6
block6:
    v32 = iconst.i64 0x558f 2cfd 0ab0
    call_indirect siq1, v32(v31, v30) ; v32 = 0x558f_2cfd
    call fn1(v33, v30)
    v35 = load.i64 aligned v33
   v36 = load.i64 aligned v33+8
    v37 = load.i64 aligned v33+16
    v38 = load.i64 aligned v33+24
    store aligned v35, v34
    store aligned v36, v34+8
```

#### Compiled! From Roto to Cranelift IR, to actual x86\_64 (or ARM64)!

```
block5:
   NV280≡Niadd9AAA16641v27, 4
          load.i32 aligned v28
           roto::codeqen:
           block0: ; offset 0x0
             pushq %rbp
             movq %rsp, %rbp
             subq $0x140, %rsp
             movq %rbx, 0x110(%rsp)
             movq %r12, 0x118(%rsp)
             movg %r13, 0x120(%rsp)
             mova %r14, 0x128(%rsp)
             mova %r15, 0x130(%rsp)
             movq %rdi, 0xf0(%rsp)
             mova %rdx, 0xf8(%rsp)
```



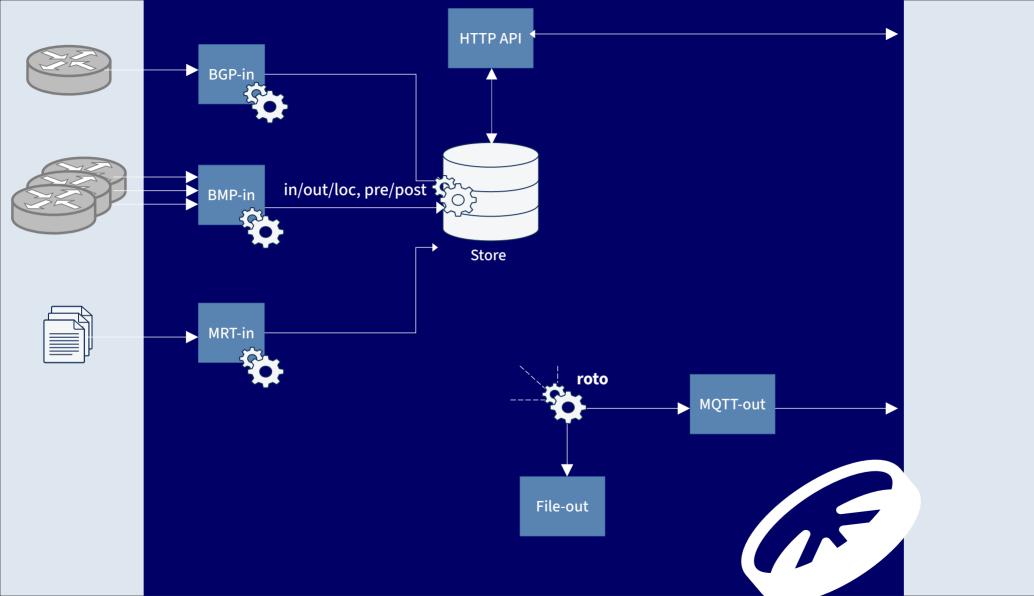


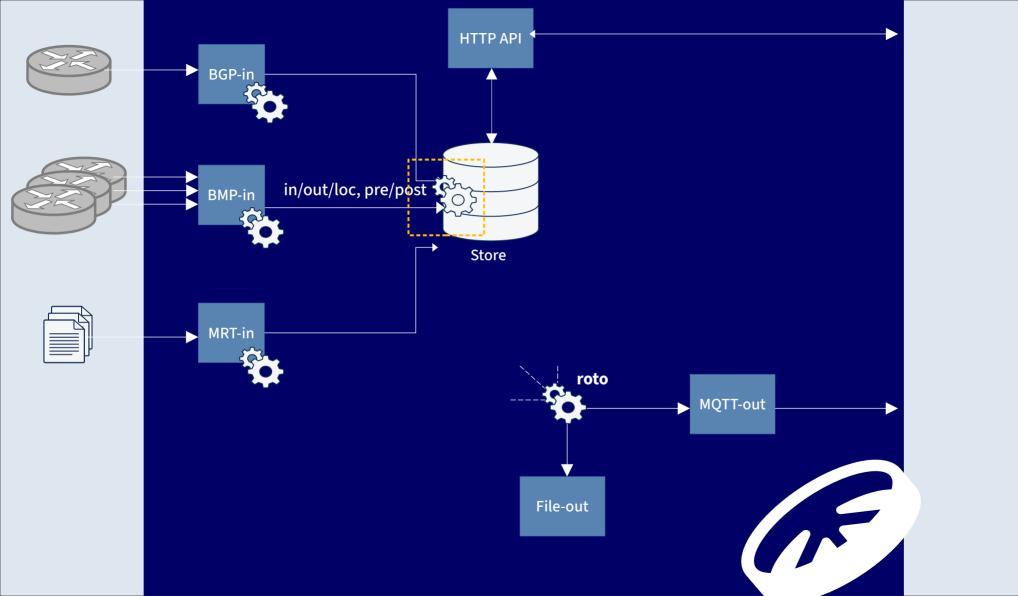
```
bgp_msg: BgpMsg,
ingress_info: IngressInfo,
let origin_to_log = AS65536;
let community_to_log = NO_PEER;
if bqp_msq.match_aspath_origin(origin_to_log) {
   output.log_matched_origin(origin to log);
if bgp_msq.contains_community(community_to_log) {
   output.log_matched_community(community to log)
                                        filter bmp in(
accept
                                            bmp_msq: BmpMsq,
                                             ingress_info: IngressInfo,
                                            let my_asn = AS12345;
                                             let asn_to_log = AS65536;
                                             let community_to_log = community(0xffff029a)
                                            if bmp_msg.is_peer_down() {
                                                output.log_peer_down()
                                            if bmp_msg.is_ibgp(my_asn) {
                                                reject
                                            } else {
                                                 if bmp_msq.aspath_contains(asn_to_log)
```

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```
filter rib_in_pre(
    route: Route,
    ingress_info: IngressInfo,
) {

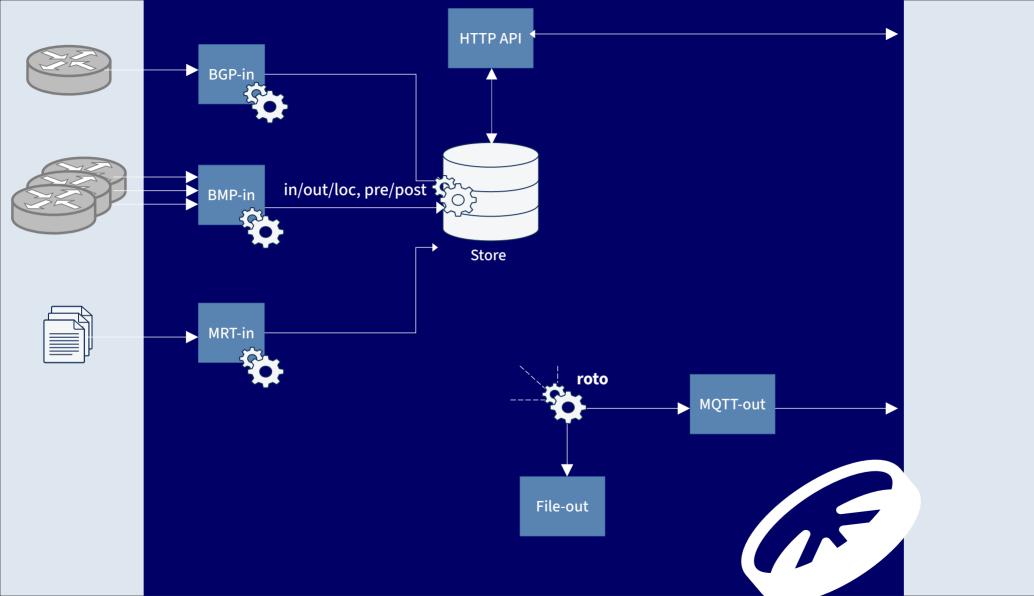
    if prefix_lists.contains("my_prefixes", route.prefix()) {
        output.log_prefix(route.prefix());
    }
}
```

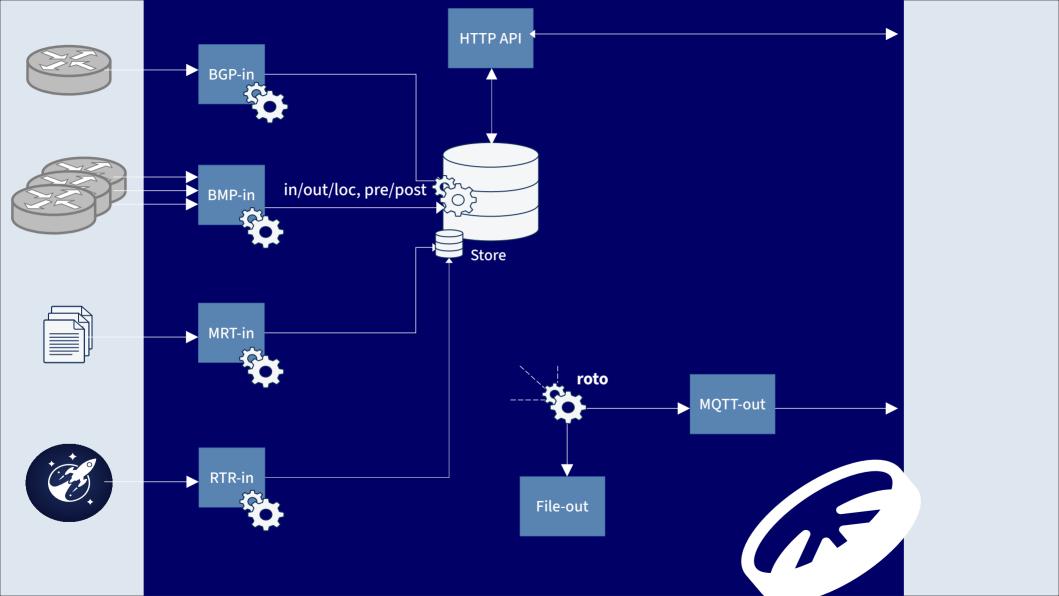
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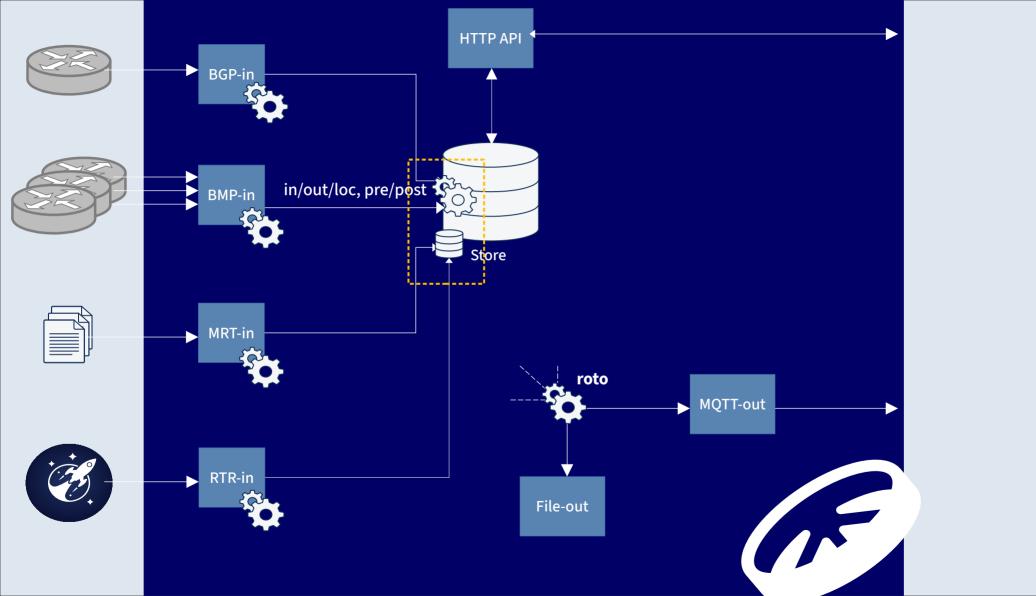
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    ingress info; IngressInfo,
) {

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        output.log_prefix(route.prefix());
}
```

accept







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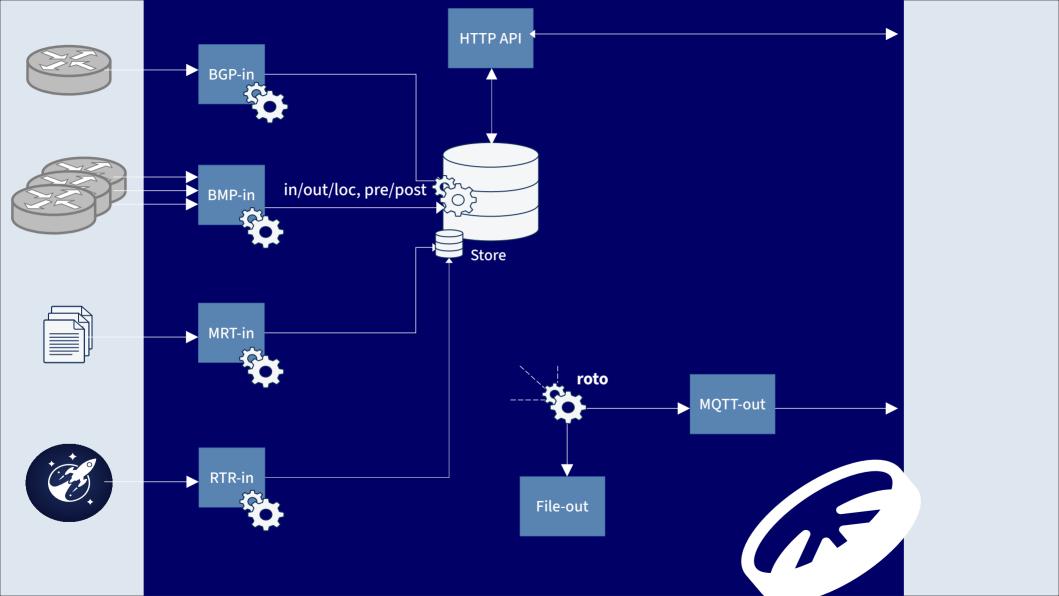
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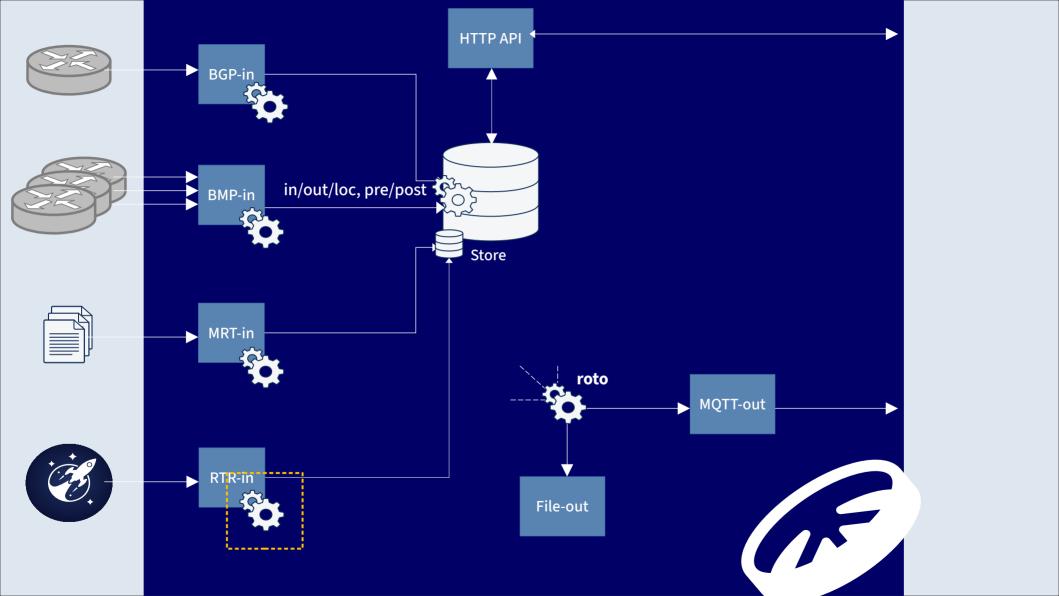
    accept
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) {

    if prefix_lists.contains("my_prefixes", route.prefix()) {
        output.log_prefix(route.prefix());
    }

    # Only has effect when an RTR unit is configured in rotonda.conf
    rpki.check_rov(route);
    accept
}
```





```
filter vrp_update(vrp_update: VrpUpdate) {
    if asn_lists.contains("my_asns", vrp_update.asn()) {
        output.entry().timestamped_custom("[RTR] (my asns): " + vrp_update.fmt())
        output.write_entry();
    }
    if prefix_lists.covers("my_prefixes", vrp_update.prefix()) {
        output.timestamped_print("[RTR] (my prefixes): " + vrp_update.fmt())
    }
    accept
```

## <br/>billy\_mays.jpg>

```
fn rib_in_rov_status_update(rov_update: RovStatusUpdate) {
    if rov_update.has_changed() {
        # Only log whenever something changed to Invalid:
            if rov_update.current_status().is_invalid() {
                output.timestamped_print("[RTR]" + rov_update.fmt())
        }
    }
    # When it concerns any of 'my_prefixes', always log:
    if prefix_lists.covers("my_prefixes", rov_update.prefix()) {
        output.timestamped_print("[RTR] (my_prefixes): " + rov_update.fmt())
    }
}
```

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    if prefix_lists.covers("my_prefixes", rov_update.prefix()) {
        output.timestamped_print("[RTR] (my_prefixes): " + rov_update.fmt())
    }
}
```

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fn rib_in_rov_status_undate(rov_update: RovStatusUpdate) {
    if rov_update.has_changed() {
        # Only log whenever something changed to Invalid:
            if rov_update.swrrent_status().is_invalid() {
                output.timestamped_print("[RTR]" + rov_update.fmt())
        }
    }
    # When it concerns any of 'my_prefixes', always log:
    if prefix_lists.covers("my_prefixes", rov_update.prefix()) {
        output.timestamped_print("[RTR] (my_prefixes): " + rov_update.fmt())
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            }
    }
    # When it concerps any of 'my_prefixes', always log:
    if prefix_lists covers("my_prefixes", rov_update.prefix()) {
        output.timestamped_print("[RTR] (my_prefixes): " + rev_update.fmt())
    }
}
```

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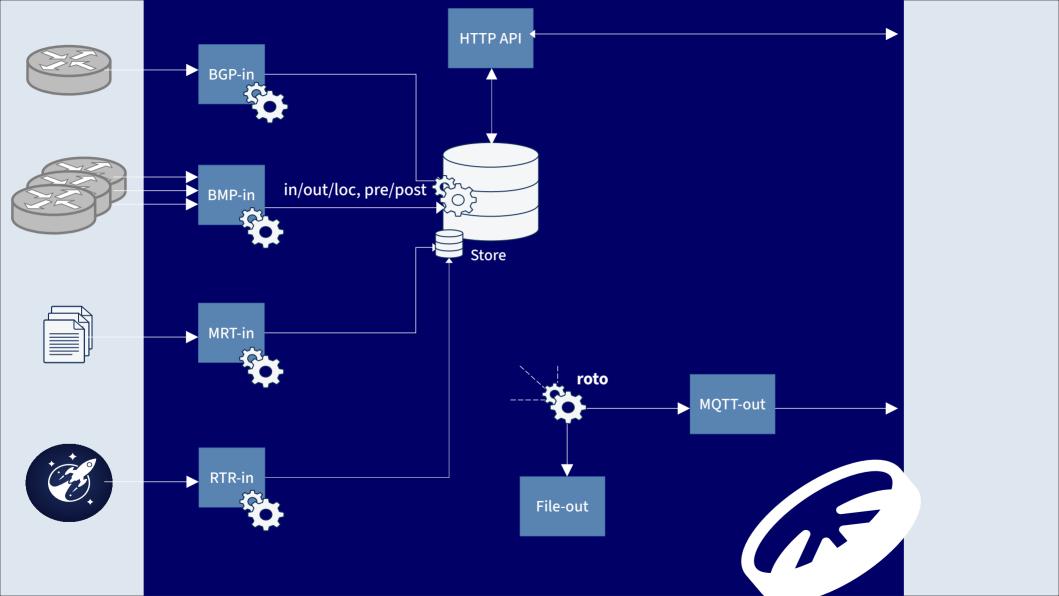
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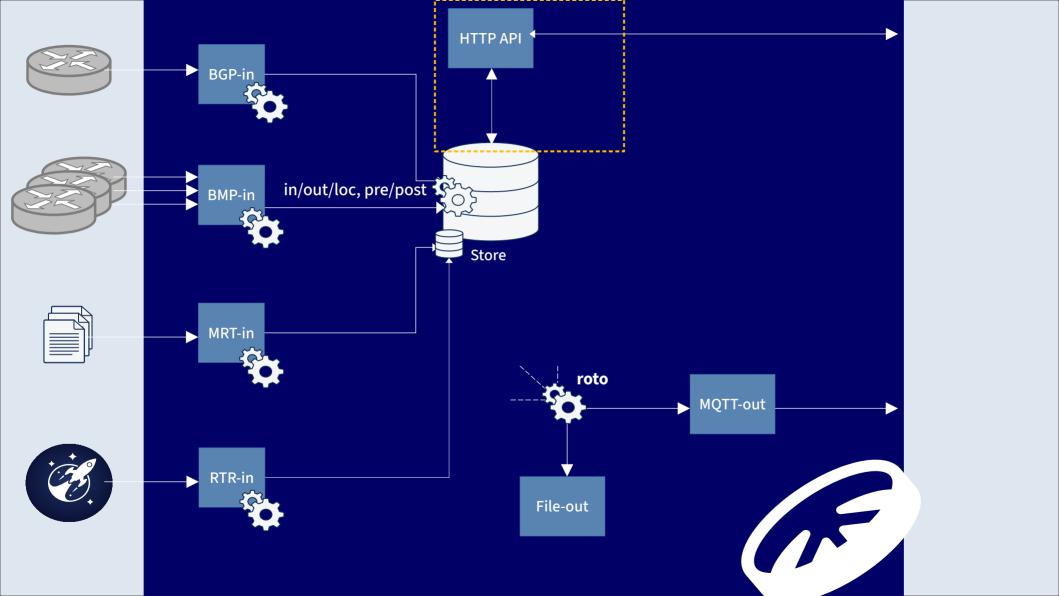
if rov_update.current_status().is_invalid() {

rotonda::units::rib_unit::unit: got RTR Serial update
```

[2025-09-27T07:51:22Z] [RTR][NotFound] -> [Invalid] 66.212.31.0/24 originated by AS834, learned from AS200242 [2025-09-27T07:51:22Z] [RTR][NotFound] -> [Invalid] 66.212.31.0/24 originated by AS834, learned from AS213151 [2025-09-27T07:51:22Z] [RTR][NotFound] -> [Invalid] 66.212.31.0/24 originated by AS834, learned from AS3214 [2025-09-27T07:51:22Z] [RTR][NotFound] -> [Invalid] 66.212.31.0/24 originated by AS834, learned from AS8888 [2025-09-27T07:51:22Z] [RTR][NotFound] -> [Invalid] 66.212.31.0/24 originated by AS834, learned from AS60150 [2025-09-27T07:51:22Z] [RTR][NotFound] -> [Invalid] 66.212.31.0/24 originated by AS834, learned from AS51019 [2025-09-27T07:51:22Z] [RTR][NotFound] -> [Invalid] 66.212.31.0/24 originated by AS834, learned from AS51019

rotonda::units::rib\_unit::unit: pushed VRP for 40.223.13.0/24–24 from AS214025 rotonda::units::rib\_unit::unit: removed VRP for 40.223.12.0/22–24 from AS834 rotonda::units::rib\_unit::unit: pushed VRP for 66.93.41.0/24–24 from AS214025 rotonda::units::rib\_unit::unit: pushed VRP for 66.212.31.0/24–24 from AS214025





#### **Getting JSON out of Rotonda**

- /api/v1/ingresses[?filter[type]=bgp|bmp|...]
  Query for ingresses and their session information
- /api/v1/ribs/ipv4unicast/routes
  /api/v1/ribs/ipv4unicast/routes/185.49.140.0/23
  Query for stored routes per address family

#### Thank you RouteViews!



#### **University of Oregon RouteViews Project**

The University's RouteViews project was originally conceived as a tool for Internet operators to obtain real-time BGP information about the global routing system from the perspectives of several different backbones and locations around the Internet. Although other tools handle related tasks, such as the various Looking Glass Collections (see e.g. TRACEROUTE.ORG), they typically either provide only a constrained view of the routing system (e.g., either a single provider, or the route server) or they do not provide real-time access to routing data.

While the RouteViews project was originally motivated by interest on the part of operators in determining how the global routing system viewed *their* prefixes and/or AS space, there have been many other interesting uses of this RouteViews data. For example, NLANR has used RouteViews data for AS path visualization and to study IPv4 address space utilization (archive). Others have used RouteViews data to map IP addresses to origin AS for various topological studies. CAIDA has used it in conjunction with the NetGeo database in generating geographic locations for hosts, functionality that both CoralReef and the Skitter project support.

```
"meta": null,
"data": {
  "nlri": "185.49.140.0/23",
"routes": [
         "status": "active",
         "ingress": {
    "id": 39,
           "ingress_type": "bgpViaBmp",
"parent_ingress": 3,
"remote_addr": "185.1.167.88",
           "remote_asn": 51019,
           "rib_type": "AdjRibIn",
"peer_rib_type": "inPost",
"peer_type": "GlobalInstance"
      },
"rpki": {
            "rov": "valid"
        },
"pathAttributes": [
              "origin": "Igp"
              "asPath": [
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```



#### Getting JSON out of Rotonda: simple filtering

• /api/v1/ribs/ipv4unicast/routes/145.100.0.0/15

```
?include=moreSpecifics, # include, you know, more specifics
&filter[ribType]=inPre # routes in AdjRibIn pre-policy
&filter[rovStatus]=valid # && only ROV valid
&filter[originAsn]=1133 # && originated by AS1133
&filter[community]=AS1103:9876 # && and contains this community
```

#### Getting JSON out of Rotonda: simple filtering

• /api/v1/ribs/ipv4unicast/routes/145.100.0.0/15

(More filters, includes and other options are described in the docs)

#### Filtering JSON responses using Roto

• /api/v1/ribs/ipv4unicast/routes

```
?include=moreSpecifics, # on /routes, this is default
&function[roto]=hidden_hop # use a roto function to filter
```

```
filter hidden_hop(attr: PathAttributes) {
   match attr.otc() {
       Some(otc) -> {
            match attr.aspath() {
                Some(aspath) -> {
                    if not aspath.contains(otc) {
                        accept
                    } else {
                        reject
                None -> reject,
       None -> { reject }
```

```
filter hidden hop(attr: PathAttributes
                                                                     "nlri": "186.251.12.0/22",
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                                                                             "rov": "notFound"
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                                                                                "asPath": [
                                                                                   "AS6447",
                                                                                  "AS263561
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"otc": "AS6777"

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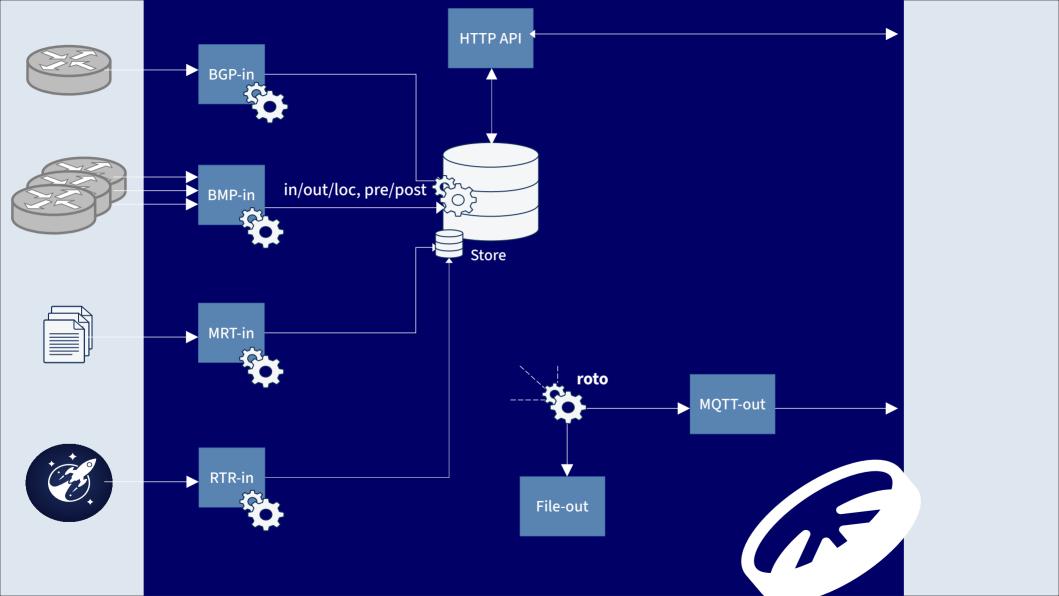
#### /metrics

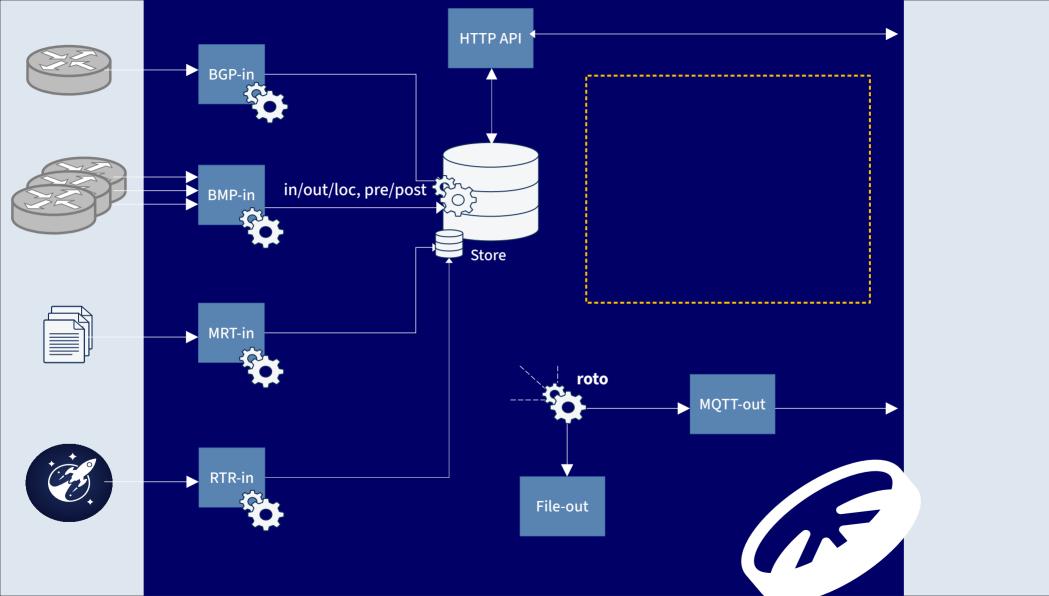
- Prometheus style metrics, enabling for monitoring and alerting
- Built-in Rotonda-related metrics
  - Soon to be overhauled
  - Some of the metrics might currently be off, don't trust these blindly
- and of course ...

#### **User-defined metrics via Roto!**

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```
$ curl -s "http://localhost:8081/metrics" | grep packed_withdrawals
# TYPE packed_withdrawals counter
roto_user_defined_packed_withdrawals{peer_address='185.49.140.10', peer_asn='AS211321} 1
```





#### **Open-ish question**

#### Streaming out at high volume

- Kafka, though what should the schema look like, exactly?
- Any other alternatives? What would be a good fit for you?

#### Concluding, Rotonda today

- Ingest and store high volumes of routing info in memory
- IPv6/IPv4 unicast (and multicast)
- Interaction via HTTP JSON API and minimal web UI

#### **Rotonda \$tomorrow**

- Non-unicast address families
  - e.g. L3VPN, FlowSpec, (BGP-LS?)
  - ADDPATH
- Expose ASPA to Roto
- Persistent storage to disk
- Interaction via CLI
- YANG-based configuration

#### Give it a go now

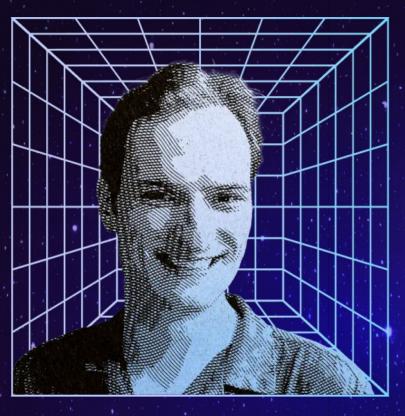
- Freely available open source software
- Take a .deb, .rpm or docker image, or compile using cargo
- https://rotonda.docs.nlnetlabs.nl
- https://github.com/NLnetLabs/rotonda/

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- https://rotonda.c Releases 9
- https://github.co 🔈 0.5.0 'Mosaïque Public' Latest Today

#### and help us out!

- We are not operators
  - we don't run a network
  - we don't have any routing hardware
- Publicly available non-unicast (test)data is hard to come by
  - .pcaps welcome!
- BMP export implementations all have their surprises
  - Moreover, BMP as a protocol is still evolving. Any input/data is useful for us.



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