



RIPE NCC
RIPE NETWORK COORDINATION CENTRE

RIPE Database

Training Course

August 2024

RIPE NCC Training Material



Please find your training material at the following link

<https://www.ripe.net/training-material>





09:00 - 09:30

Coffee, Tea

11:00 - 11:15

Break

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch

15:30 - 15:45

Break

17:30

End

Introductions



- Name
- Experience with:
 - Being an LIR
 - The RIPE Database
- Goals

Overview



- What is the RIPE Database?
- How does it work?
- How to update it?
- Delegating address space to others
- RIPE Routing Registry
- Reverse DNS
- More RIPE Database
- Play Time!
- The RESTful API

Prepare Yourself!



- Get your laptop up and running
- Make sure you have an Internet connection
 - and a **RIPE NCC Access account!**
- Go to the TEST Database: <https://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
 - Open several tabs in the browser, if you want



Make sure you are in the **TEST** Database!



- Take out the exercise booklet
- When you see the green square, there is an activity for you to do!



= Activity time!

- Get ready to type a lot!
- Don't forget to take notes ;-)

The Story



- Your colleague Jean Blue opened an LIR account
- Jean Blue already did some things in the Database
- You were requested to take over some tasks
- You decided to come to this training course!





The RIPE Database

What is it?

Your LIR Account Was Activated



1. Read the email 1
 - from the RIPE NCC Member Services department
2. Go to <https://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for the **person** object from the email

What Do You See?



- What do you get as a result?
- Which lines are not easy to understand?

What You Are Seeing



A **person** object has data that can be used to contact a real person



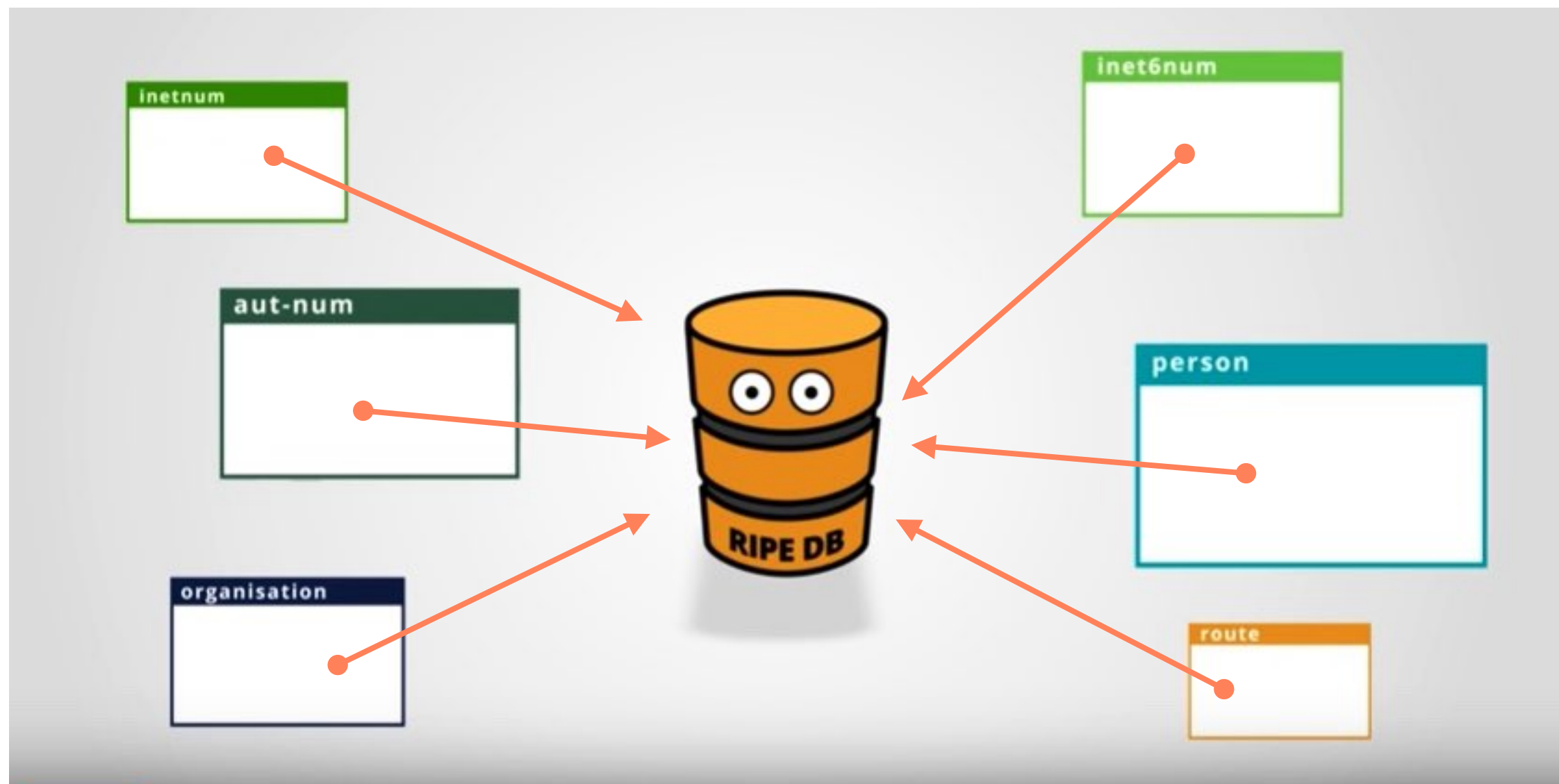
person

This is how you
can contact me

The RIPE Database



Public Internet resource and routing registry database



Purpose of the RIPE Database



- Registry of **WHO** holds IPs and ASNs
- Keep **contact** information
 - For troubleshooting, notifying of outages, etc.
- Publishing **routing** policies
- Provisioning **reverse DNS**



RIPE Database Objects



IPs and ASNs

inetnum

inet6num

aut-num

Contact Information

organisation

person

role

Routing

route

route6

as-set

Reverse DNS

domain

Object Protection

mntner

Looking Up Object Templates



1. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>

2. Search for the following:

-t person

- Alternatively, check the manual:

<https://apps.db.ripe.net/docs/>

What Do You See?



- What do you get as a result?
- What is not easy to understand?

Anatomy of an Object



Attributes

person:

address:

address:

e-mail:

nic-hdl:

mnt-by:

created:

last-modified:

source:

Jean Blue

Long Street 123

76543 Big City

j.blue@example.com

JB0123-RIPE

SECURITY-MNT

(date & time)

(date & time)

RIPE

Values

Object Templates

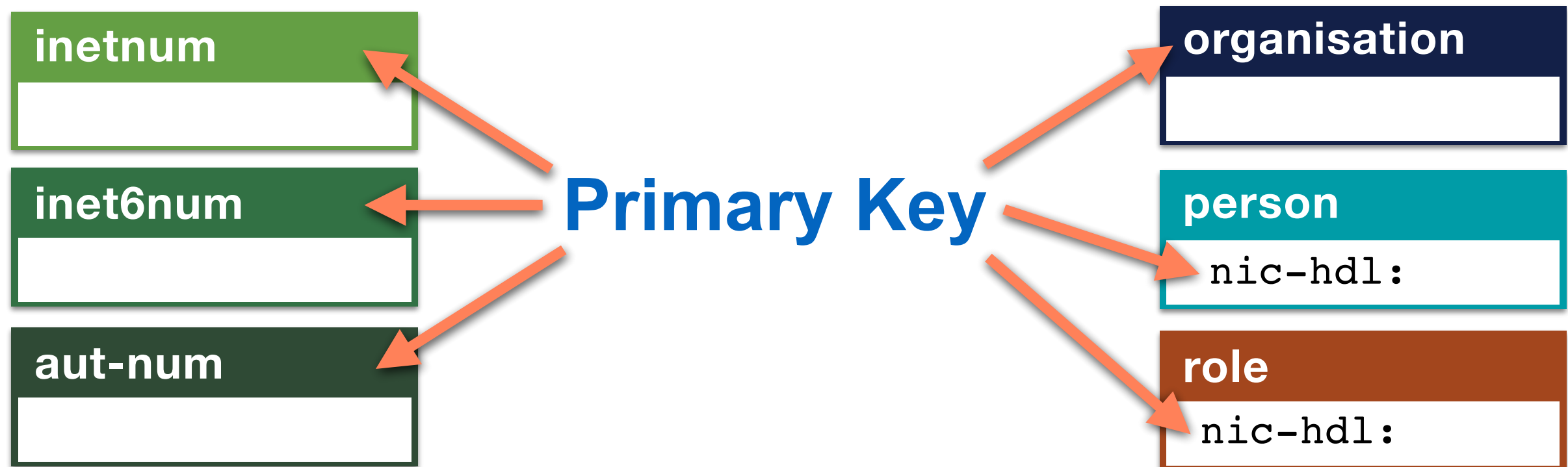


person:	[mandatory]	[single]	[lookup key]
address:	[mandatory]	[multiple]	[]
phone:	[mandatory]	[multiple]	[]
fax-no:	[optional]	[multiple]	[]
e-mail:	[optional]	[multiple]	[lookup key]
org:	[optional]	[multiple]	[inverse key]
nic-hdl:	[mandatory]	[single]	[primary/lookup key]
remarks:	[optional]	[multiple]	[]
notify:	[optional]	[multiple]	[inverse key]
mnt-by:	[mandatory]	[multiple]	[inverse key]
mnt-ref:	[optional]	[multiple]	[inverse key]
created:	[generated]	[single]	[]
last-modified:	[generated]	[single]	[]
source:	[mandatory]	[single]	[]

Primary Key



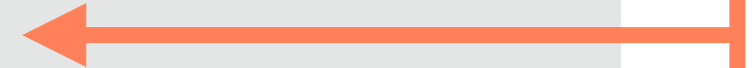
- Every object has one Primary Key
- It makes the object unique
 - Different from other objects of the same type



Lookup Keys



person:	Jean Blue
address:	Long Street 123
address:	76543 Big City
e-mail:	j.blue@example.com
nic-hdl:	JB0123-RIPE
mnt-by:	SECURITY-MNT
created:	(date & time)
last-modified:	(date & time)
source:	RIPE



Search For Your Organisation



1. Read the email 1 again
2. Go to <https://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for the **organisation** object

What Do You See?



- What does the **organisation** object represent?
- Notice the “**admin-c:**” and “**tech-c:**” attributes
- What are their values?

What You Are Seeing



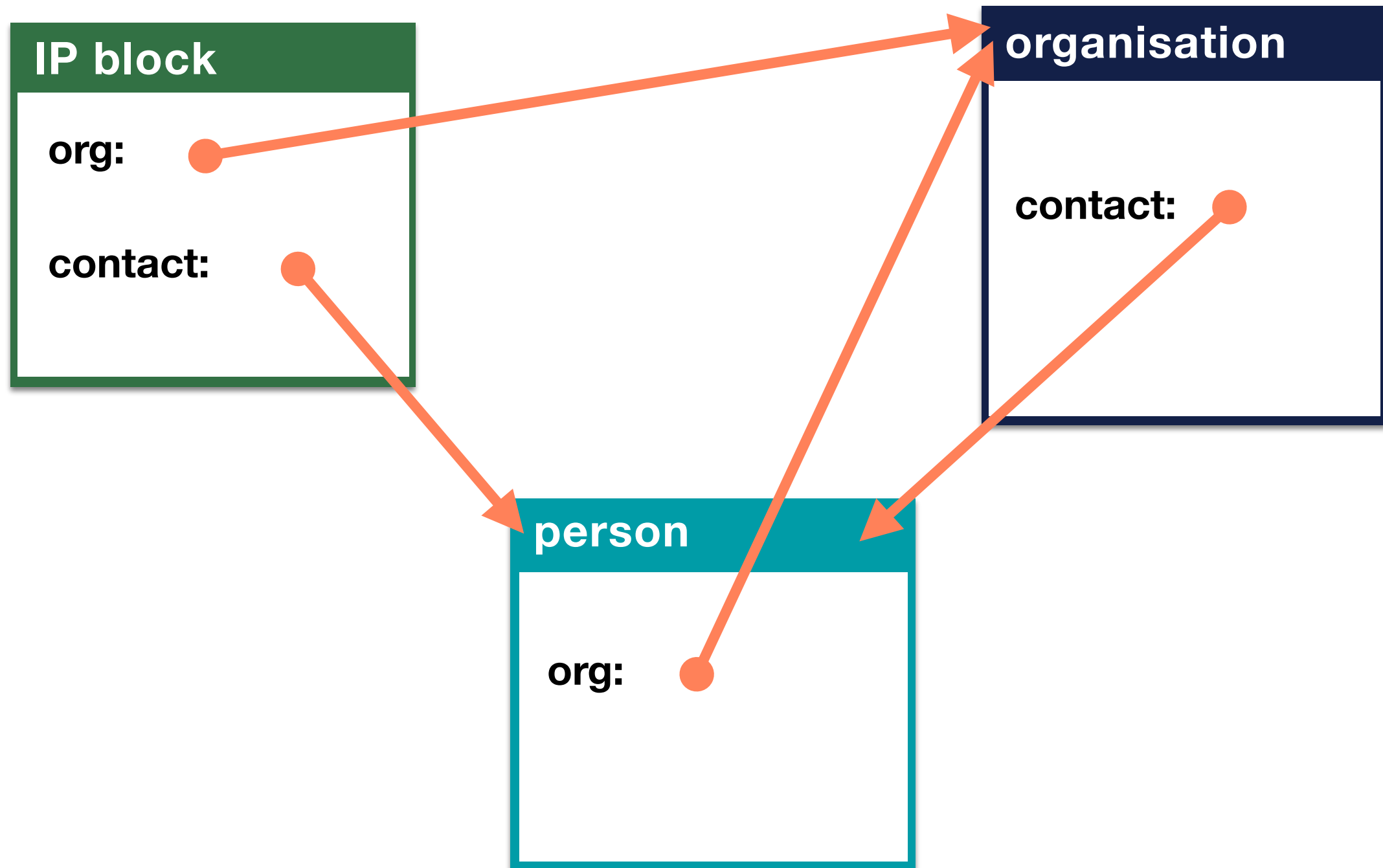
An **organisation** object has data about a company, institution or any other kind of organisation that has IP addresses and AS Numbers



organisation

This is how you can
contact ORG
and who is
responsible

Objects Are Linked To Each Other



admin-c



- Appears in most types of objects
- Name of **administrative** contact person(s)
- This is someone who will be contacted about administrative questions such as network registration, etc.



tech-c



- Appears in most types of objects
- Name of **technical** contact person(s)
- This is someone to be contacted for technical problems such as routing, (mis)behavior of hosts on the net, etc.



Search For Your Role Object



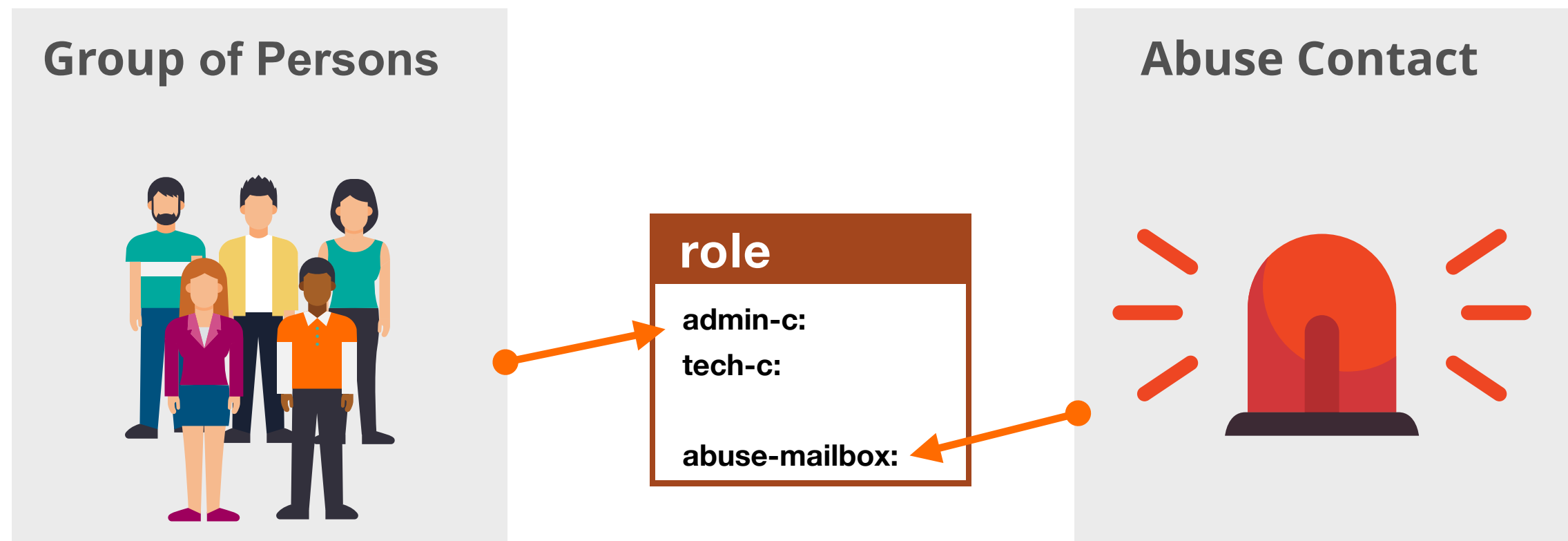
1. Read the email 1 again
2. Go to <https://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for the **role** object

What Do You See?



- Notice the “admin-c:” and “tech-c:” attributes
- What are their values?
- Do you see any attribute that catches the eye?

Two Functions for the Role Object



Role Object: Abuse Contact



- The **role** object contains the “abuse-mailbox:”
- Objects reference the **role** in “abuse-c:”
- RIPE Database shows the abuse contact in WHOIS query results



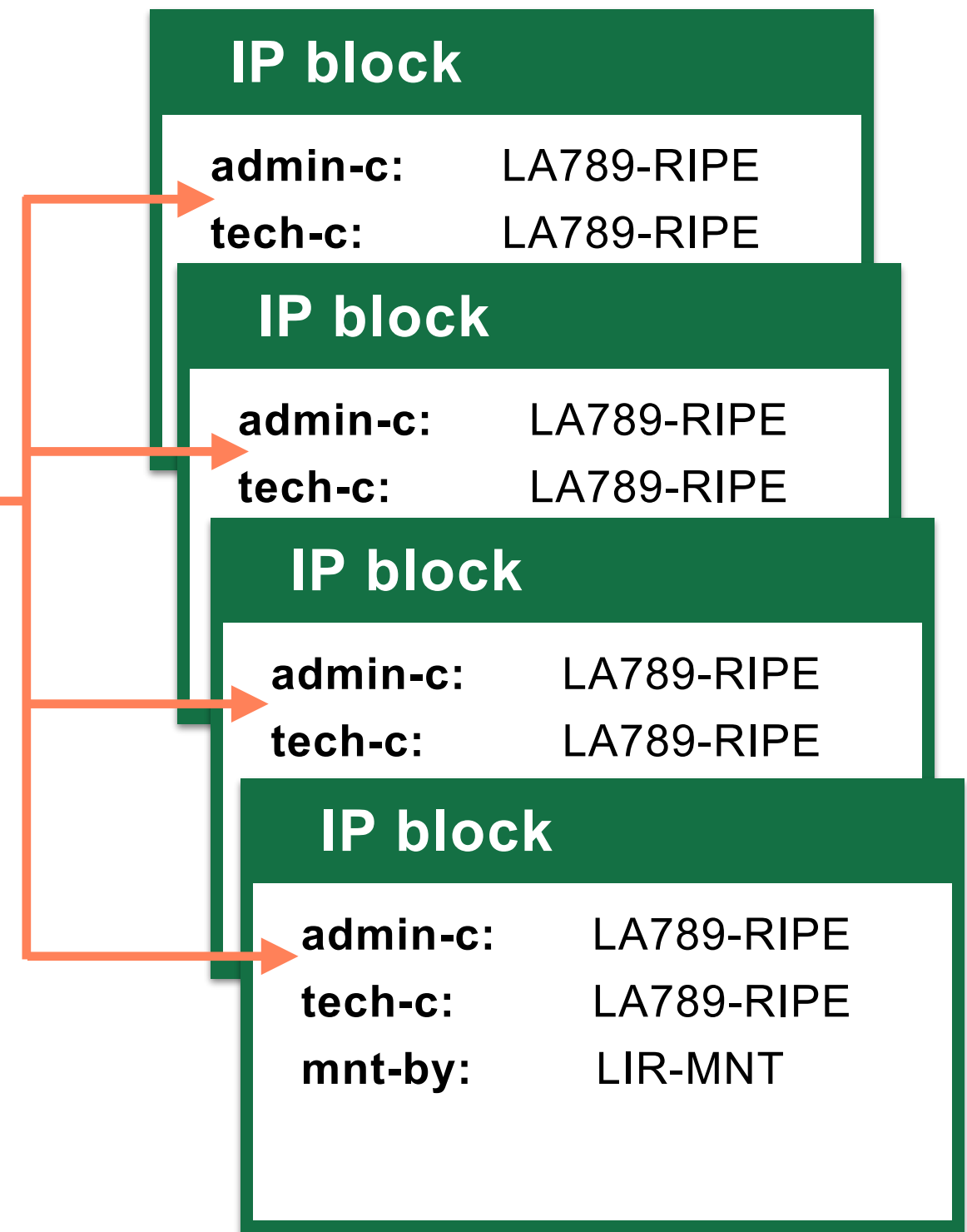
Role Object: Group of Persons



person:	Jean Blue
nic-hdl:	JB123-RIPE
address:	Long Street 5
phone:	+31 20 555 0101
email:	jean@example.net
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT

role:	LIR Admin
nic-hdl:	LA789-RIPE
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT

person:	Betty White
nic-hdl:	BW531-RIPE
address:	Long Street 5
phone:	+31 20 555 0101
email:	betty@example.net
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT



Role Object: Group of Persons



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address:	Long Street 5
phone:	+31 20 555 0101
email:	jean@example.net
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT

role:	LIR Admin
nic-hdl:	LA789-RIPE
admin-c:	JB123-RIPE
tech-c:	JB123-RIPE
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT

person:	Betty White
nic-hdl:	BW531-RIPE
address:	Long Street 5
phone:	+31 20 555 0101
email:	betty@example.net
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT

IP block	admin-c: LA789-RIPE tech-c: LA789-RIPE
IP block	admin-c: LA789-RIPE tech-c: LA789-RIPE
IP block	admin-c: LA789-RIPE tech-c: LA789-RIPE
IP block	admin-c: LA789-RIPE tech-c: LA789-RIPE mnt-by: LIR-MNT

Role Object: Group of Persons



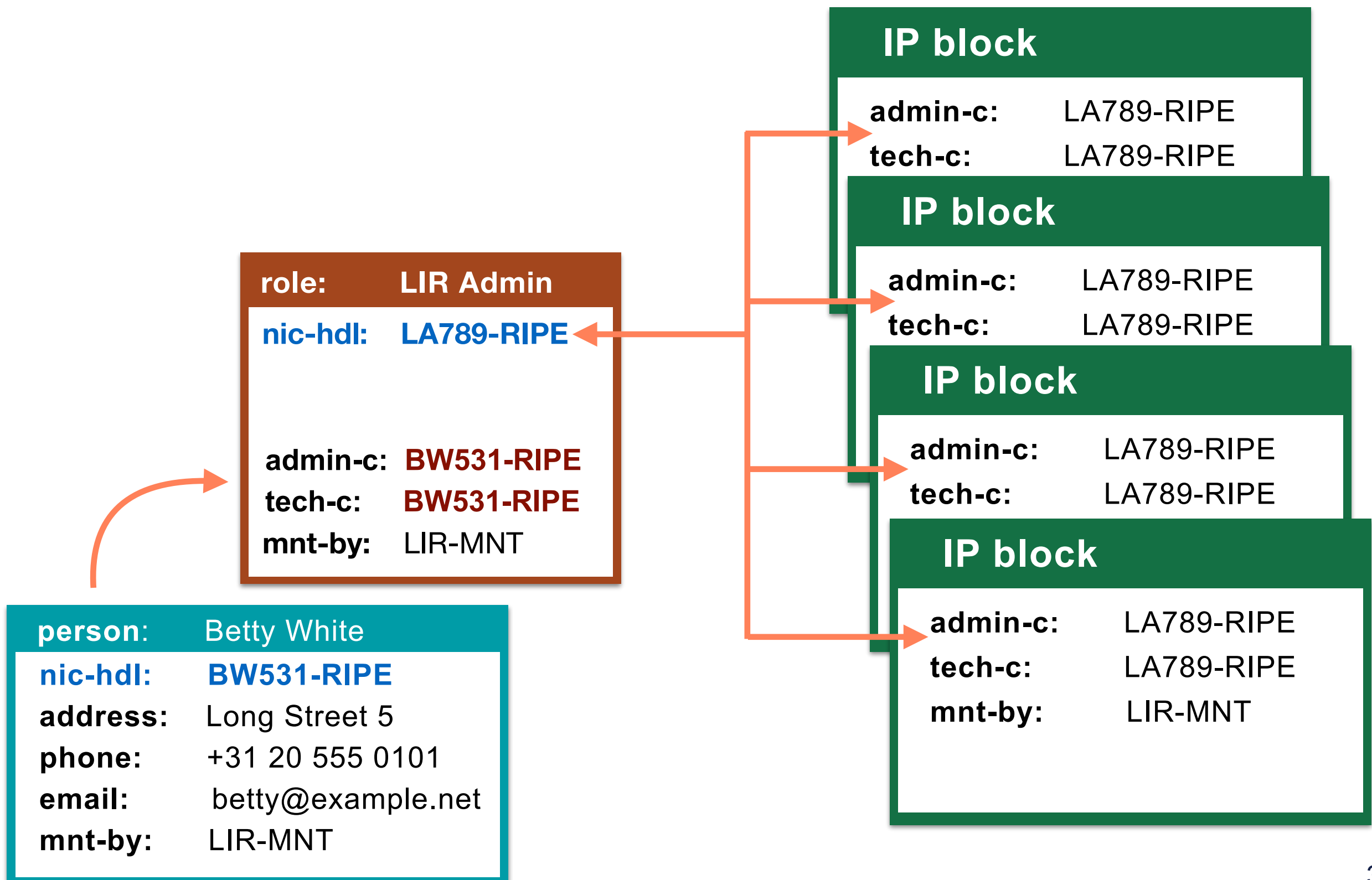
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nic-hdl:	JB123-RIPE
address:	Long Street 5
phone:	+31 20 555 0101
email:	jean@example.net
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT

role:	LIR Admin
nic-hdl:	LA789-RIPE
admin-c:	JB123-RIPE
tech-c:	JB123-RIPE
admin-c:	BW531-RIPE
tech-c:	BW531-RIPE
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT

person:	Betty White
nic-hdl:	BW531-RIPE
address:	Long Street 5
phone:	+31 20 555 0101
email:	betty@example.net
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT

IP block	admin-c: LA789-RIPE tech-c: LA789-RIPE
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Role Object: Group of Persons





Questions





How Does It Work?

Looking for data in the Database

Search For Your Allocations



1. Read emails 2 and 3
 - from the Registry Services department
2. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for the **inetnum** and **inet6num** objects
 - Open two tabs or windows if needed!
 - Use the text in the “**inetnum:**” and “**inet6num:**” lines
 - i.e. 10.**XX**.0.0 - 10.**XX**.3.255
 - i.e. 2002:ff**XX**::/32

What Do You See?



- Look at the first object in the results
- What do you see?
- How many objects did you get?

Network Objects



IPv4 = inetnum

inetnum: 192.30.0.0 - 192.30.3.255

netname:	NL-NETWORK-20170101
country:	NL
org:	ORG-EE2-RIPE
admin-c:	DV789-RIPE
tech-c:	JS123-RIPE
status:	ALLOCATED PA
mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
source:	RIPE

IPv6 = inet6num

inet6num: 2001:db8::/32

netname:	NL-NETWORK-20170101
country:	NL
org:	ORG-EE2-RIPE
admin-c:	DV789-RIPE
tech-c:	JS123-RIPE
status:	ALLOCATED-BY-RIR
mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
source:	RIPE



- Same object structure for IPv4 and IPv6

Network

inetnum:	IPv4 RANGE
inet6num:	IPv6 PREFIX
netname:	NETWORK-NAME

country:	ZZ
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Contact information

org:	ORG-ZZ123-RIPE
admin-c:	AD321-RIPE
tech-c:	TE123-RIPE

Type of address space

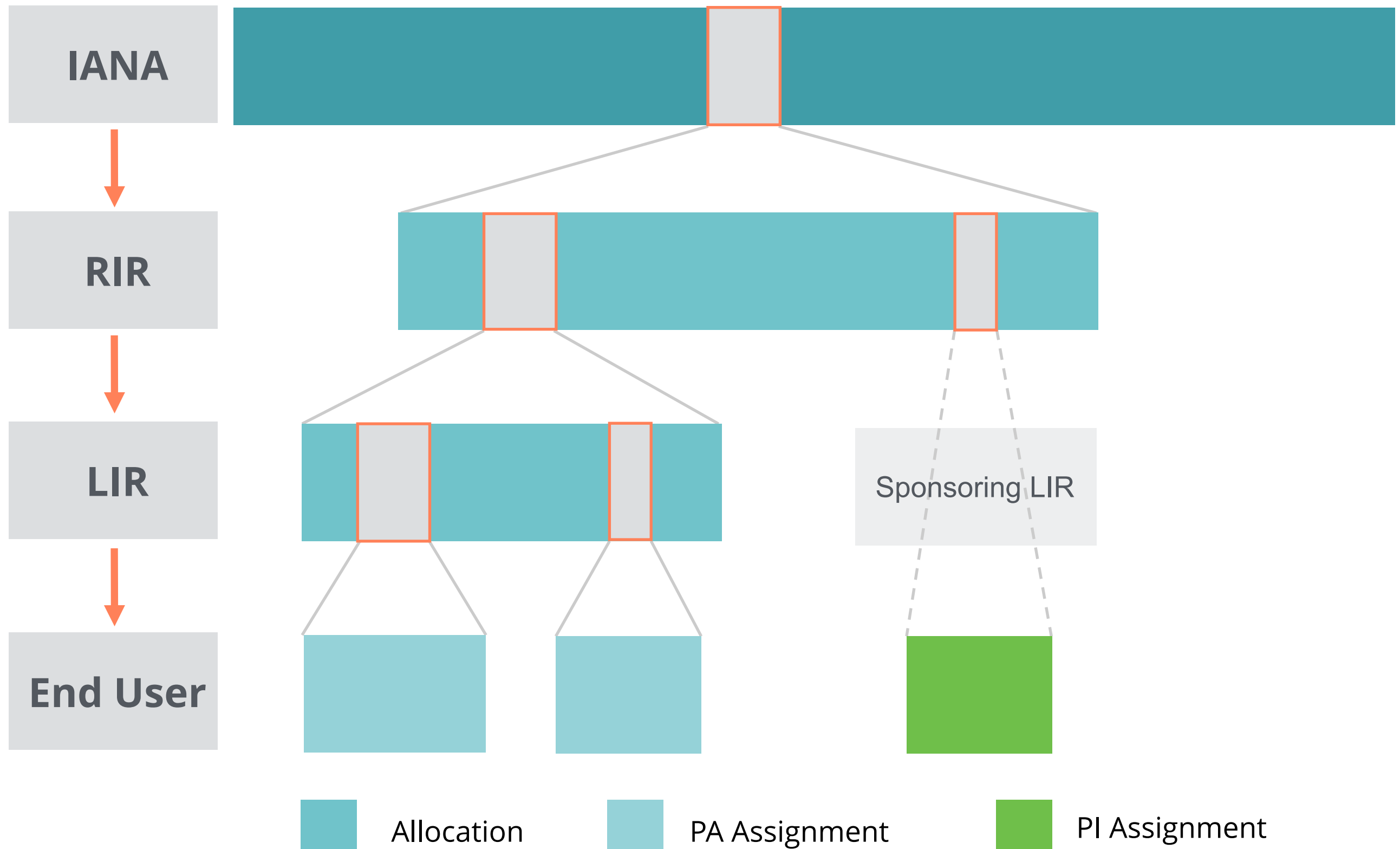
status:	ALLOC-ASSIGN
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Protection of object

mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

source:	RIPE
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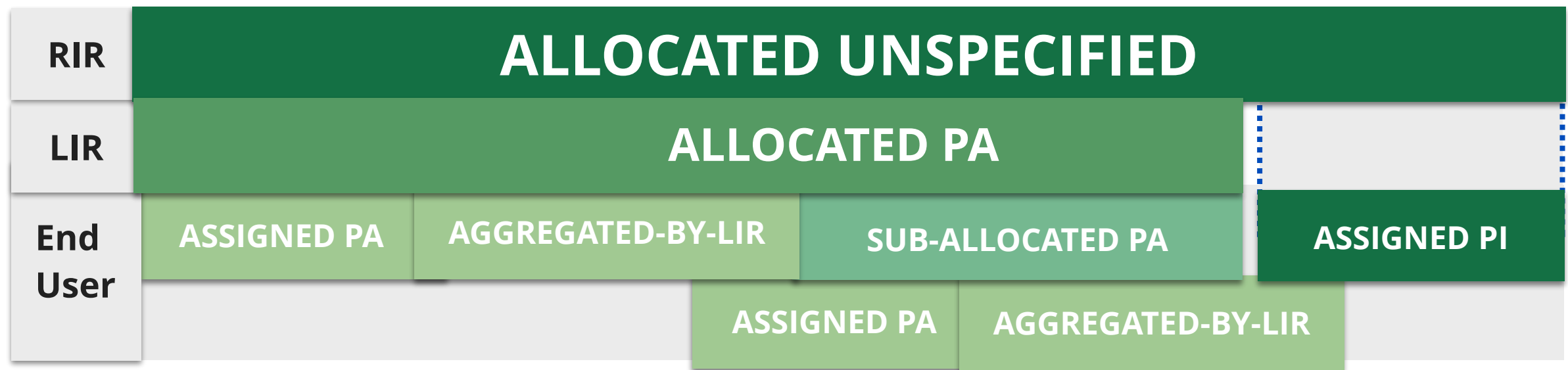
Hierarchical Distribution



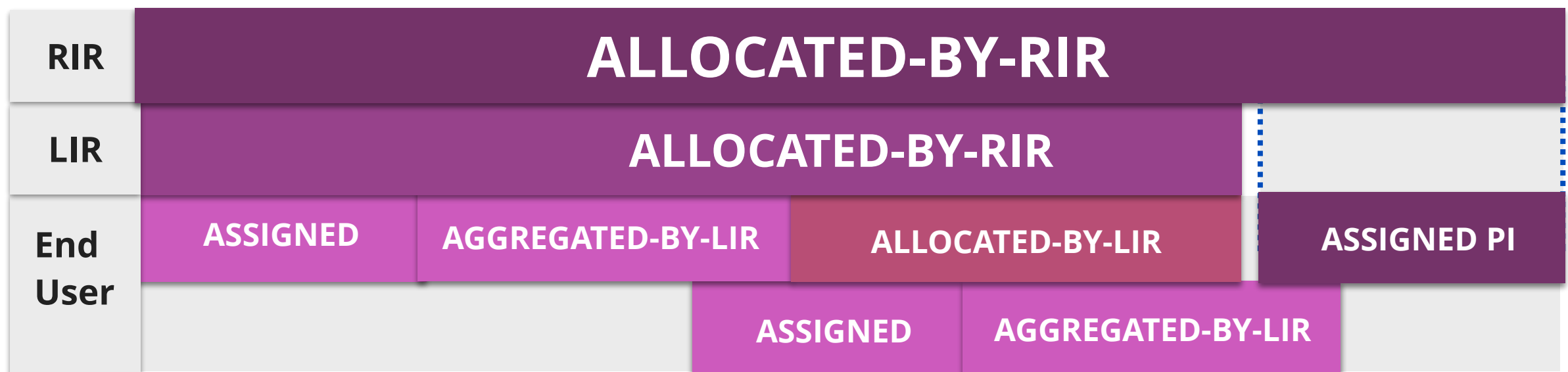
Object Status Hierarchy



IPv4



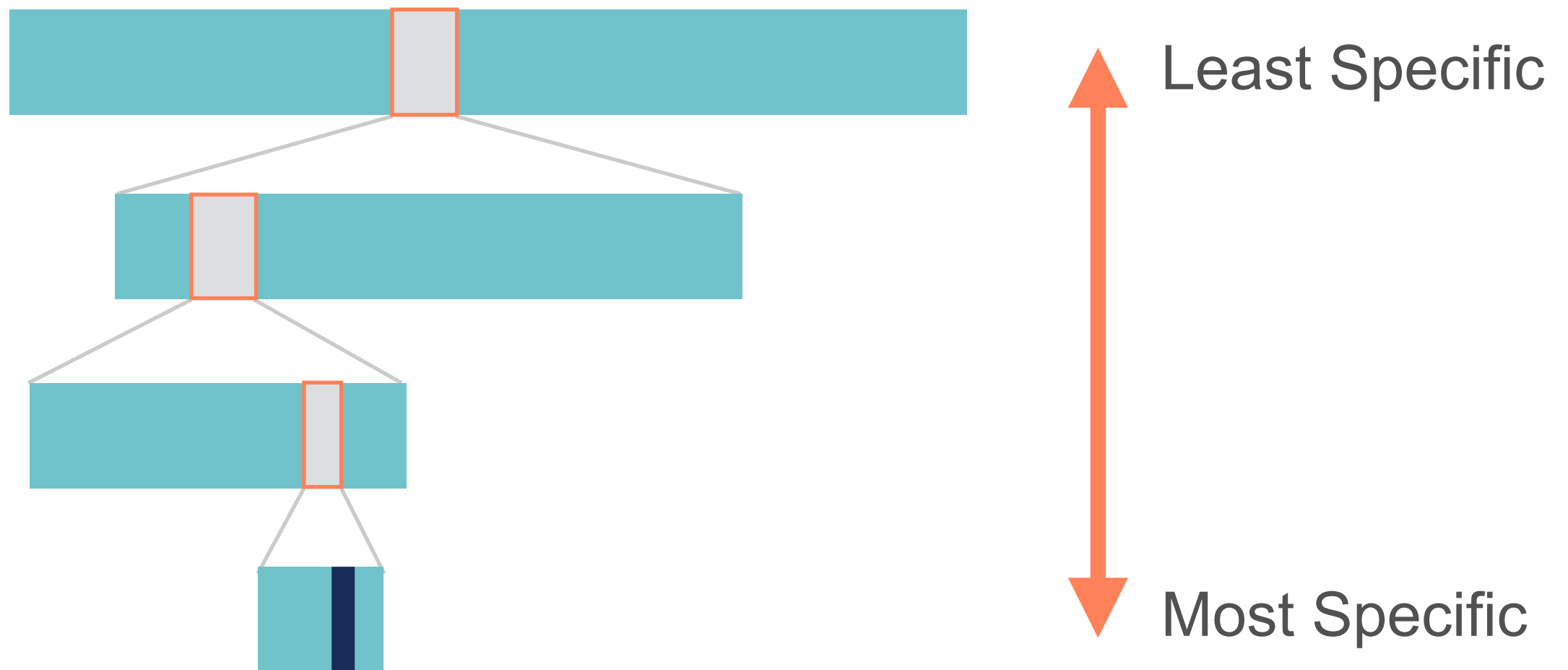
IPv6



Default Query Results



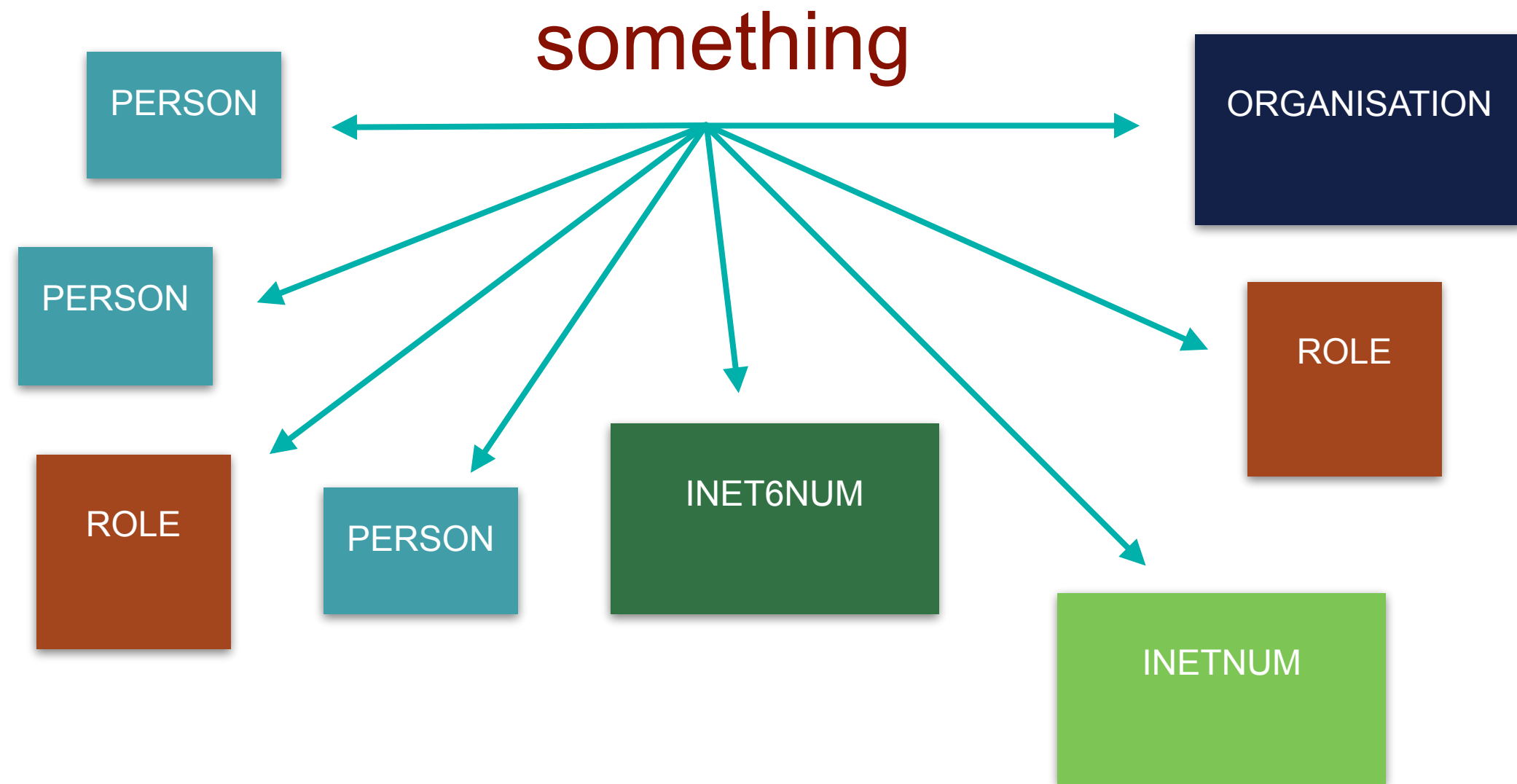
- When you query for an **IP address** or **prefix**...



Default Query Results



- When you query for simple **text**...





Filtered Query Results

- All email addresses are filtered
- Show them with -B flag in query
 - Or turn on “Show full object details”
- “auth:” attribute values are always filtered

person:	Jean Blue
nic-hdl:	JB123-RIPE
address:	Long Street 5
phone:	+31 20 555 0101
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT
source:	RIPE # Filtered

mntner:	LIR-MNT
admin-c:	JB123-RIPE
auth:	SSO # Filtered
auth:	SSO # Filtered
auth:	PGP-KEY-54321
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT
source:	RIPE # Filtered

Results Without Related Objects



Search term:

-r 193.0.24.1

Results Without Related Objects



Search term:

inetnum: 193.0.24.0 - 193.0.30.255

admin-c: BRD-RIPE

tech-c: OPS4-RIPE

Results Without Related Objects



Search term: -r 193.0.24.1

inetnum: 193.0.24.0 - 193.0.30.255

admin-c: BRD-RIPE

tech-c: OPS4-RIPE

route: 193.0.24.0/21

origin: AS2121

Results With Related Objects



Search term:

193.0.24.1

Results With Related Objects



Search term: 193.0.24.1

inetnum: 193.0.24.0 - 193.0.30.255

admin-c: BRD-RIPE

tech-c: OPS4-RIPE

Results With Related Objects



Search term: 193.0.24.1

inetnum: 193.0.24.0 - 193.0.30.255

admin-c: BRD-RIPE

tech-c: OPS4-RIPE

role: RIPE NCC Operations

admin-c: JDR-RIPE

admin-c: BRD-RIPE

tech-c: GL7321-RIPE

tech-c: MENN1-RIPE

tech-c: RCO-RIPE

tech-c: CNAG-RIPE

nic-hdl: OPS4-RIPE

Results With Related Objects



Search term: 193.0.24.1

inetnum: 193.0.24.0 - 193.0.30.255

admin-c:

BRD-RIPE

tech-c:

OPS4-RIPE

role: RIPE NCC Operations

admin-c:

admin-c:

tech-c:

tech-c:

tech-c:

tech-c:

nic-hdl:

person: Brian Riddle

address: Stationsplein 11

address: 1012 AB Amsterdam

phone: +31 20 535 4444

e-mail: brian@ripe.net

nic-hdl: BRD-RIPE

OPS4-RIPE

Results With Related Objects



Search term: 193.0.24.1

inetnum: 193.0.24.0 - 193.0.30.255

admin-c:

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OPS4-RIPE

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origin: AS2121

Making Better Queries



- Reduce the amount of objects returned
- Use options and flags to optimise the results
- Avoid getting blocked!



Selecting Object Types



- Choose the types of objects you want to see
- This results in fewer objects to process

<input type="checkbox"/> as-block	<input type="checkbox"/> inet-rtr	<input type="checkbox"/> poem
<input type="checkbox"/> as-set	<input type="checkbox"/> irt	<input type="checkbox"/> poetic-form
<input type="checkbox"/> aut-num	<input type="checkbox"/> key-cert	<input type="checkbox"/> role
<input type="checkbox"/> domain	<input type="checkbox"/> mntner	<input type="checkbox"/> route
<input type="checkbox"/> filter-set	<input type="checkbox"/> organisation	<input type="checkbox"/> route6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> inet6num	<input type="checkbox"/> peering-set	<input type="checkbox"/> route-set
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> inetnum	<input type="checkbox"/> person	<input type="checkbox"/> rtr-set

- Using a flag: -T inetnum

Search For Your Allocations Again



1. In the previous query windows, turn **off** “*Do not retrieve related objects*”
2. Search again for the **inetnum** and **inet6num** objects

What Do You See?



- Look at all the objects in the results
- How many objects did you get now?
- Which objects are now in the results?

Navigating the Hierarchy

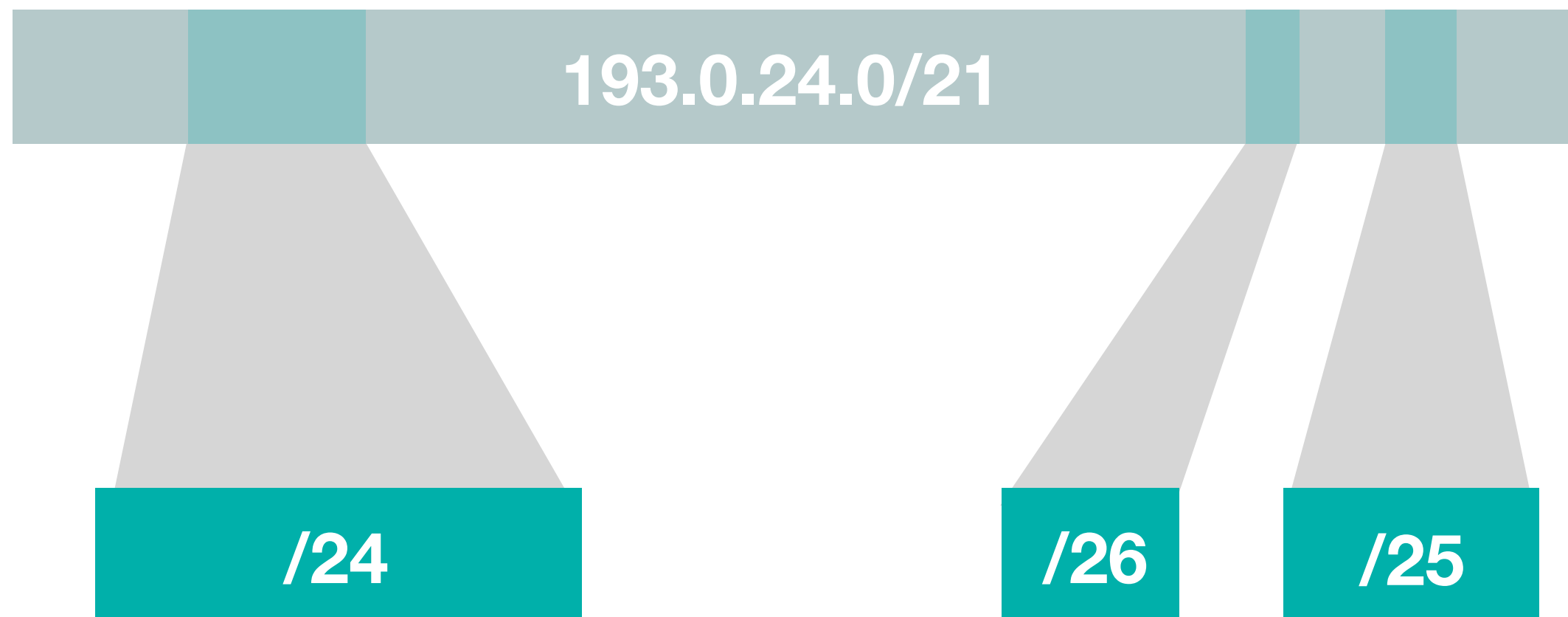


- Using flags, you can find what is under or above an inet(6)num object
 - Under = More Specific
 - Above = Less Specific
- The flags: -m, -M, -I, -L
- Also in the “Hierarchy Flags” tab

More Specific inetnums: -m



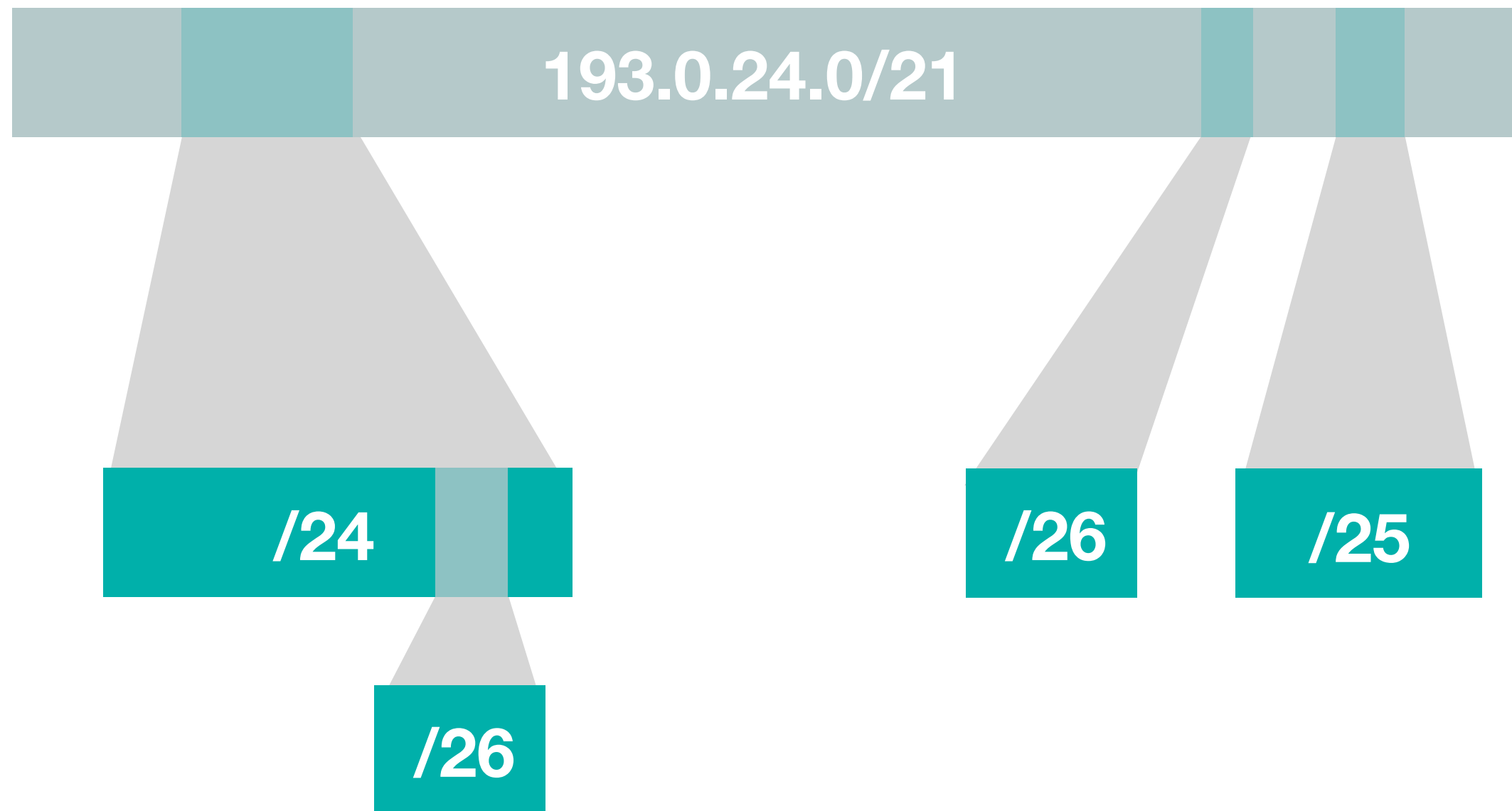
-m 193.0.24.0/21



More Specific inetnums: -M



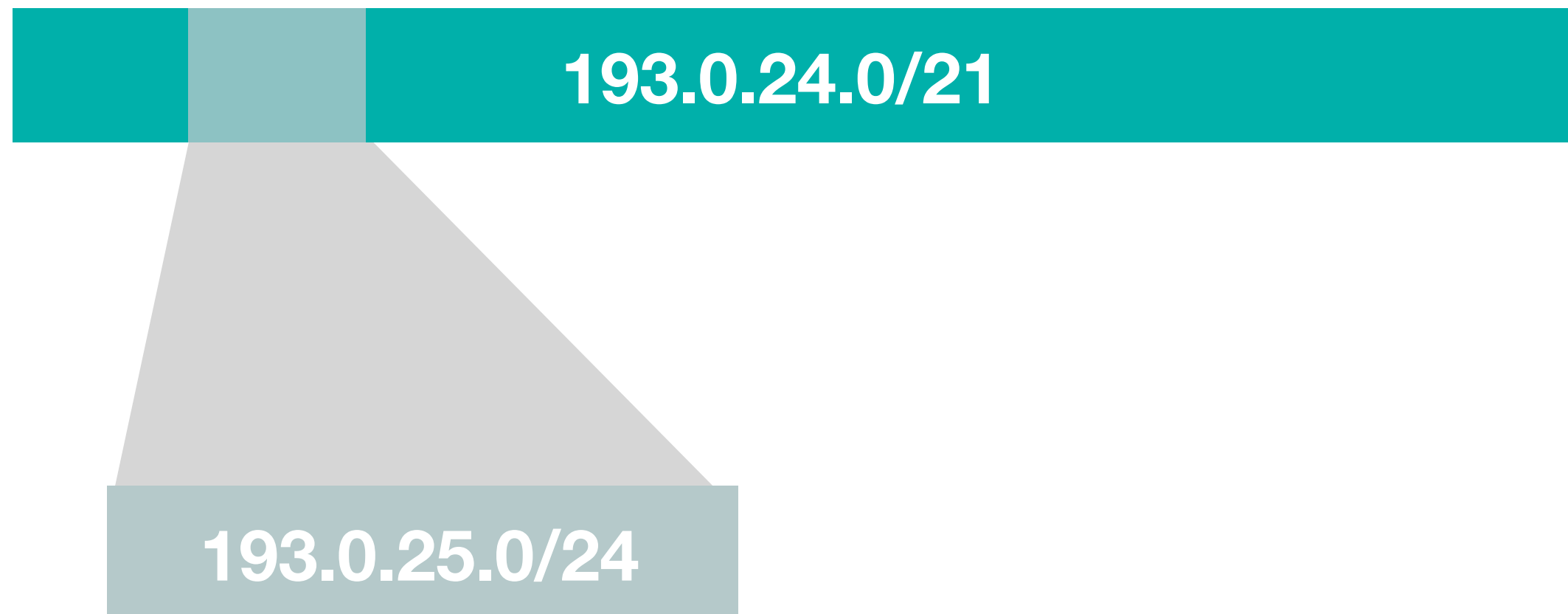
-M 193.0.24.0/21



Less Specific inetnums: -l



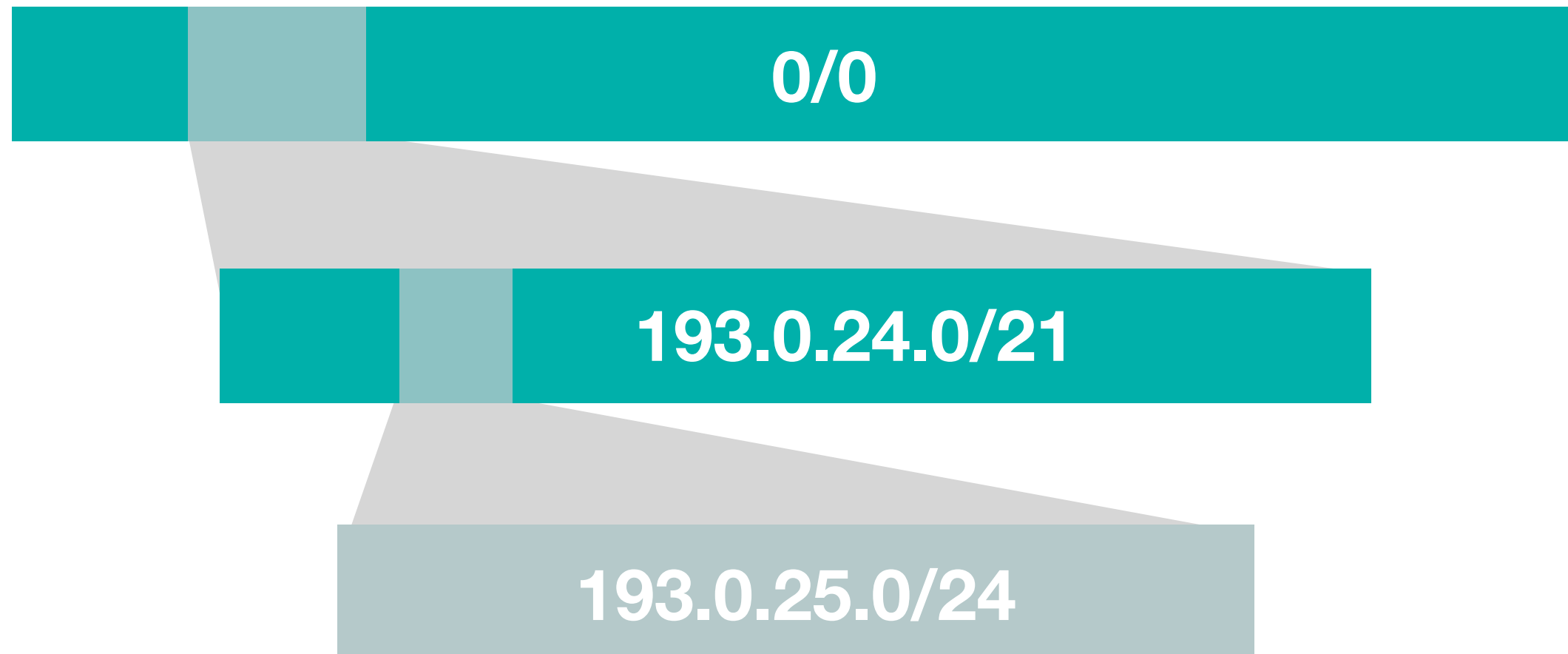
-l 193.0.25.0/24



Less Specific inetnums: -L



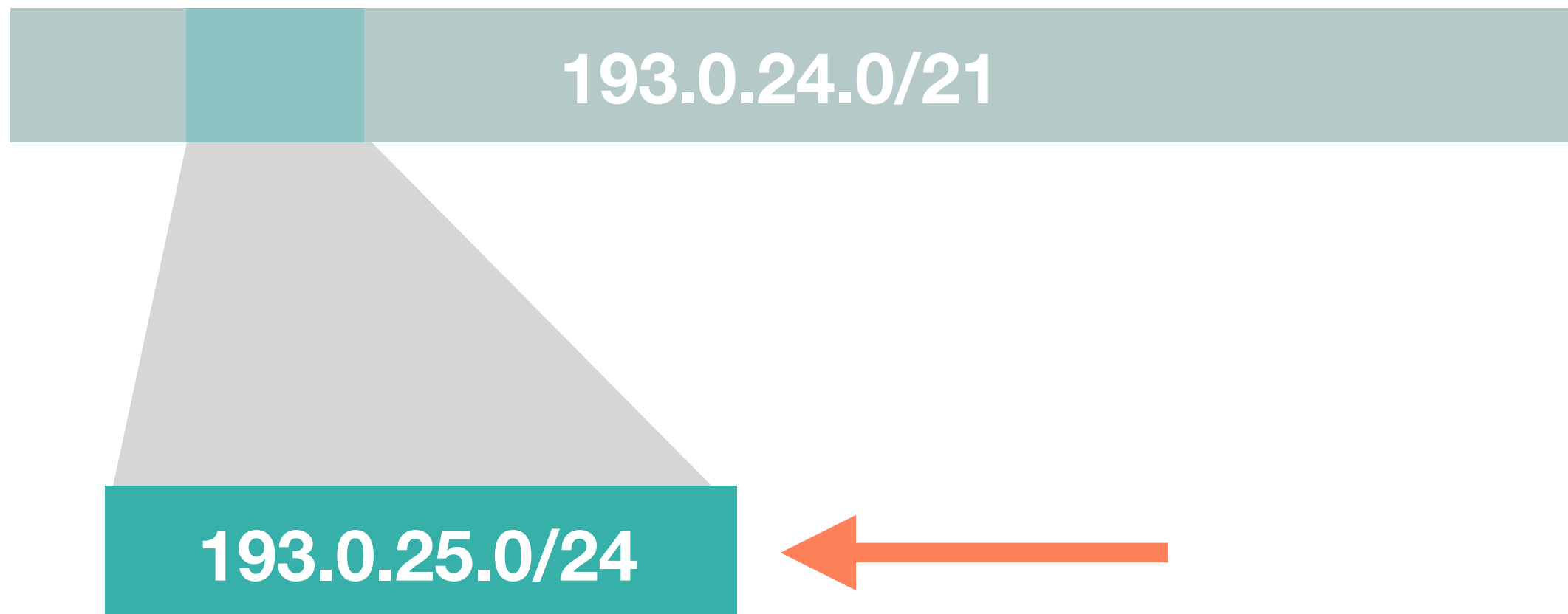
-L 193.0.25.0/24



Exact Match: -x



-x 193.0.25.0/24



Search For Your Allocations Again



1. In the previous query windows, add “-m” to the search text
 - i.e. -m 10.XX.0.0 - 10.XX.3.255
 - i.e. -m 2002:ffXX::/32
2. Search again for the **inetnum** and **inet6num** objects

What Do You See?

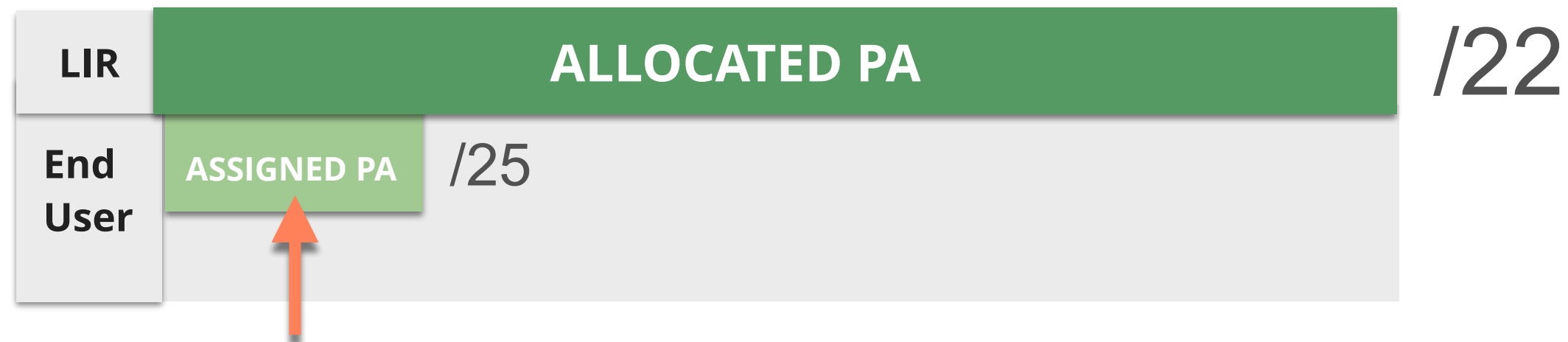


- Look at the objects in the results
- How many objects did you get now?
- Different from what you got before?
 - Notice the “**status:**” attribute

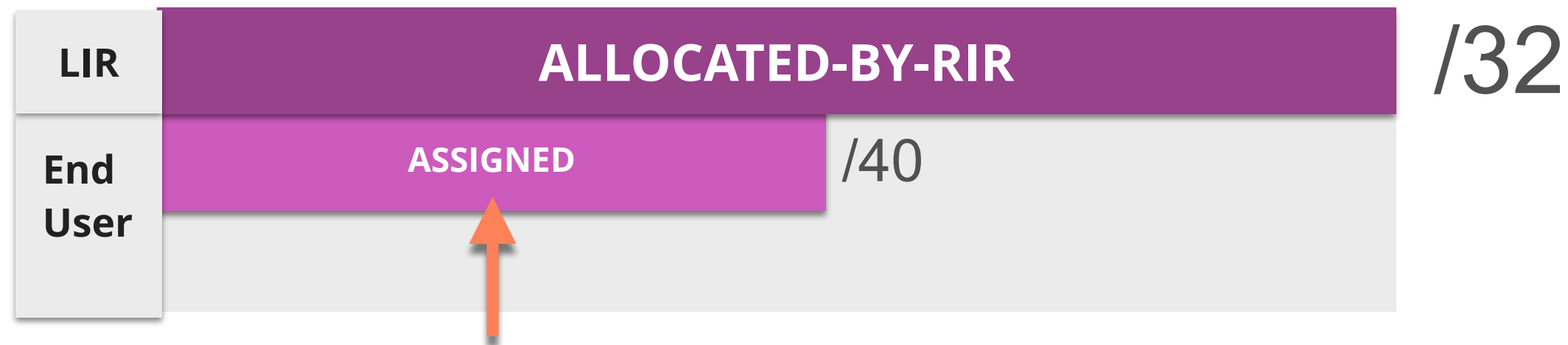
What You Are Seeing



IPv4



IPv6





Questions





How To Update It?

Updating the RIPE Database
Part 1

Updating: What You Need



- To **update** the RIPE Database you must have:
 - a RIPE NCC **Access** account
 - a **maintainer** object
 - the **need** to create, update or delete an object!



Search for LIR Maintainer Object



1. Read the email 5
 - from your colleague Jean Blue
2. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for the **maintainer** object
 - i.e. SMXX-MNT

What Do You See?



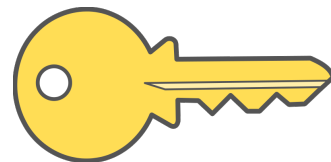
- Look at the “**mnt-by:**” attribute
- What is the value?
- Look at the “**auth:**” attribute
- What is the value?

Maintainers: Protecting Objects



person: Jean Blue

address: My Street 9876
address: Office 123
phone: +31 20 876 5432
e-mail: jean@example.net
nic-hdl: JB123-RIPE
mnt-by: LIR-MNT



mntner: LIR-MNT

admin-c: JB123-RIPE
notify: noc@example.org
upd-to: noc@example.org
auth: MD5-PW \$1\$crypto-stuff
auth: SSO email@domain.com
auth: PGP-KEY-<key ID>
mnt-by: LIR-MNT

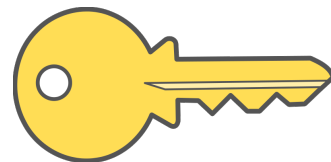
* Will be deprecated in 2025

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mnt-by: LIR-MNT



mntner: LIR-MNT

admin-c: JB123-RIPE
notify: noc@example.org
upd-to: noc@example.org
auth: MD5-PW \$1\$crypto-stuff
auth: SSO email@domain.com
auth: PGP-KEY-<key ID>
mnt-by: LIR-MNT

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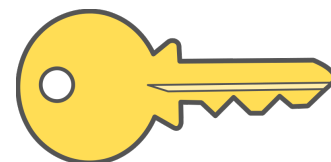
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mnt-by:	LIR-MNT



mntner:	LIR-MNT
admin-c:	JB123-RIPE
notify:	noc@example.org
upd-to:	noc@example.org
auth:	MD5-PW \$1\$crypto-stuff
auth:	SSO email@domain.com
auth:	PGP-KEY-<key ID>
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT



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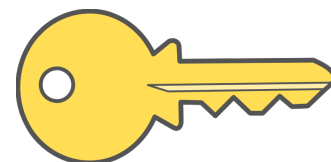
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mntner:	LIR-MNT
admin-c:	JB123-RIPE
notify:	noc@example.org
upd-to:	noc@example.org
auth:	MD5-PW \$1\$crypto-stuff
auth:	SSO email@domain.com
auth:	PGP-KEY-<key ID>
mnt-by:	LIR-MNT



* Will be deprecated in 2025

Maintainers: Authentication



- **SSO**

- default authentication mechanism
- uses RIPE NCC Access account
- to authenticate: login on RIPE NCC website

- **PGP / x509**

- uses PGP key pair or x509 certificates
- to authenticate: sign updates with private key

- **MD5-PW (will be deprecated in 2025)**

- uses a MD5 hashed password
- to authenticate: provide clear text password



Maintainers: Associating an Account



- Your LIR maintainer has a MD5 password
- You want to add your Access as an “auth:” line

mntner: SMXX-MNT

admin-c: JBXX-TEST

tech-c: JBXX-TEST

upd-to: j.blue@example.com

mnt-by: SMXX-MNT

auth: MD5-PW \$1\$crypto-stuff

Maintainers: Associating an Account



- Your LIR maintainer has a MD5 password
- You want to add your Access as an “auth:” line

```
mntner:      SMXX-MNT  
  
admin-c:    JBXX-TEST  
tech-c:     JBXX-TEST  
upd-to:     j.blue@example.com  
mnt-by:     SMXX-MNT  
auth:       MD5-PW $1$crypto-stuff  
auth:       SSO email@domain.com
```

 Your Access account is now associated!

Maintainers: Associating an Account



You can easily associate your Access account

- if the maintainer is using MD5-PW authentication

1. Try to update the maintainer object

- **Log in to your Access account!**

2. You will be asked to provide the password

3. Authorise your RIPE NCC Access account for this maintainer

Multiple Maintainers



mntner: ONE-MNT

admin-c: LA789-RIPE
tech-c: LA789-RIPE
mnt-by: ONE-MNT
auth: SSO email@domain.com
auth: X509-AE6FBT17

mntner: TWO-MNT

admin-c: XY456-RIPE
tech-c: XY456-RIPE
mnt-by: TWO-MNT
auth: SSO other@domain.com

person: Jean Blue

address: My Street 9876
phone: +31 20 876 5432
e-mail: jean@example.net
nic-hdl: JB123-RIPE
mnt-by: ONE-MNT
mnt-by: TWO-MNT



Default Maintainer for LIRs



- Allows partial control over Allocation and ORG
- Can be selected in the LIR Account Details
- Automatically reflected in the RIPE Database

mntner: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

auth: PGPKEY-AE6FBT17
auth: SSO lir-admin@email.net
mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

IP Address Allocation

mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

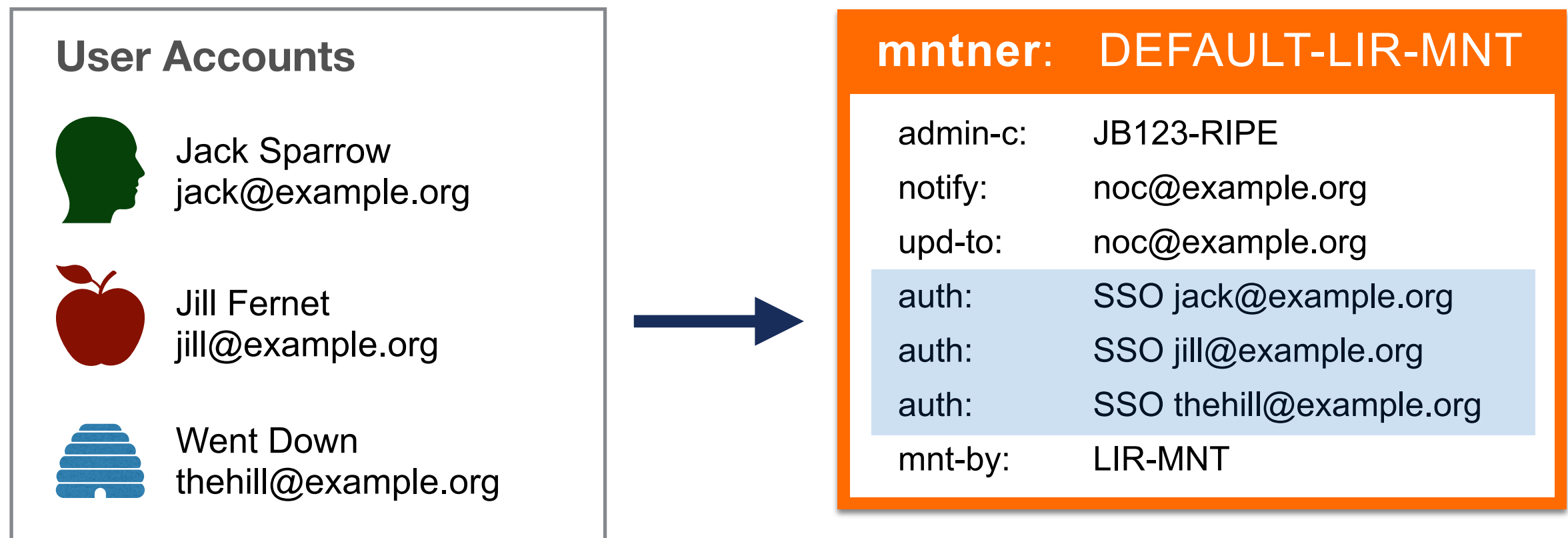
LIR Organisation

mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

Synch With LIR Portal



- Default LIR Maintainer can be synchronised with LIR Portal
- Users added as SSO to the maintainer
- Previous “auth:” lines are removed



Personal vs Shared



LIR objects, shared maintainer

mntner: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

auth: PGPKEY-423789
auth: SSO johndoe@email.net
auth: SSO clara@network.com

IP Address Allocation

mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by: **DEFAULT-LIR-MNT**

LIR Organisation

mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by: **DEFAULT-LIR-MNT**

Your person, your maintainer

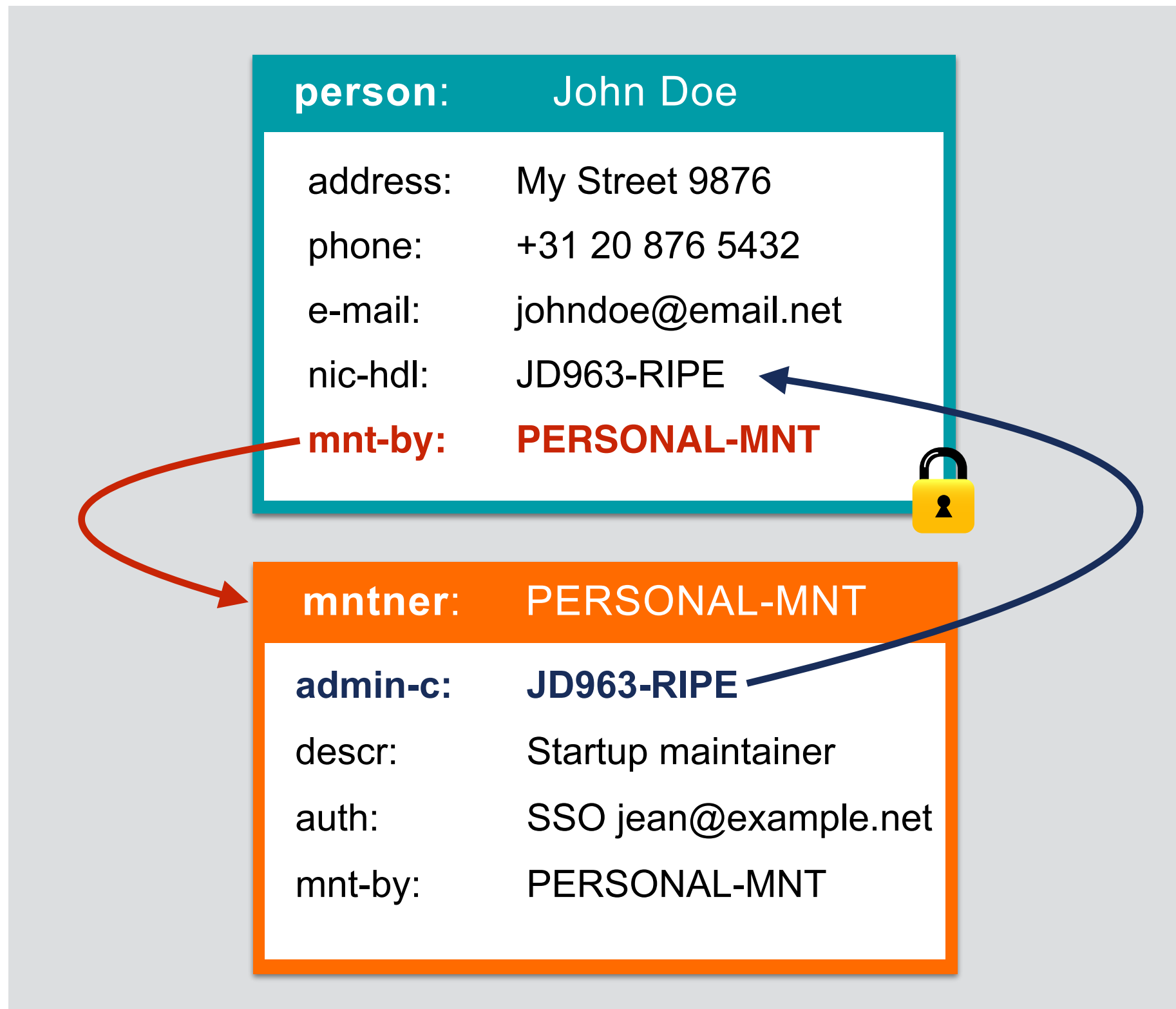
mntner: PERSONAL-MNT

auth: SSO johndoe@email.net

Person

mnt-by: PERSONAL-MNT

Maintainer and Person



Creating Your Person/Mntner Pair



1. Read again the email 5
 - from your colleague Jean Blue
2. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. On the left side, click on “**Create an object**”
4. Choose “**role and maintainer pair**”
5. Click on [**Create**]
6. On the empty **role** template, switch to “**person**”

What Do You See?

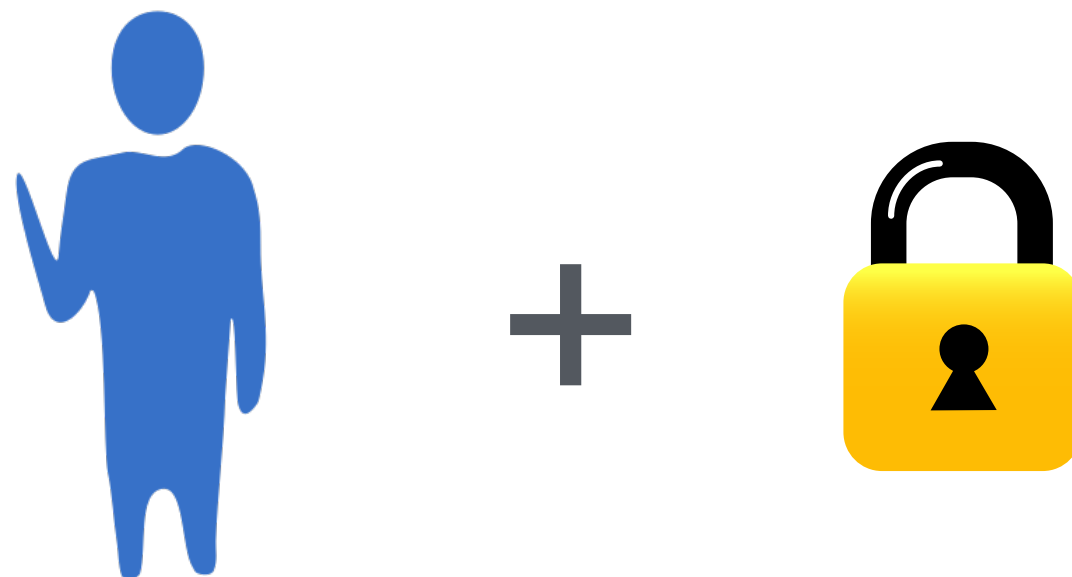


- Which attributes do you see in the empty template?
- Which lines are not easy to understand?
- Fill in the template and click on [Submit]
- Write down the **nic-hdl** and the **mntner**

What You Are Seeing



- Congratulations! You just created your first objects in the RIPE (TEST) Database!
- You now have your own **person** object and your own personal **maintainer**



Creating a Role Object



It's a **good habit** to use a **role** for the admin-c and tech-c attributes of LIR objects

1. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
2. On the left side, click on “**Create an object**”
3. Choose “**role**” and click on [**Create**]



3. Choose which maintainer will protect the new object
4. Click on the **X** to remove a maintainer

Please enter the maintainers you would like to use as mnt-by

LIR-MNT★ | X

PERSONAL-MNT★ | X


☆ = Associated with your Access account



3. Choose which maintainer will protect the new object
4. Click on the **X** to remove a maintainer

Please enter the maintainers you would like to use as mnt-by

LIR-MNT★ | X



★ = Associated with your Access account



5. Fill in the template with data

- Use your LIR maintainer (**SMXX-MNT**)
- Use **role:** Tech Team
- Fill in an “**address:**” and “**email:**”
- Leave “**nic-hdl:**” as it is: AUTO-1



6. Click on the [+] button next to “**email**”

- Choose “**admin-c**” from the drop-down list
- Click on [**Add**]
- You now have an empty “admin-c:” attribute

7. Do the same steps in 6) and add a “**tech-c:**”



8. Fill in the admin-c and tech-c with data

- admin-c: JBXX-TEST
- tech-c: YOUR PERSON OBJECT

9. Click on the **[Submit]** button

- If all was correctly filled in, you have a **role** object!
- Write down the **nic-hdl** of the object

What You Just Did



role:	Tech Team
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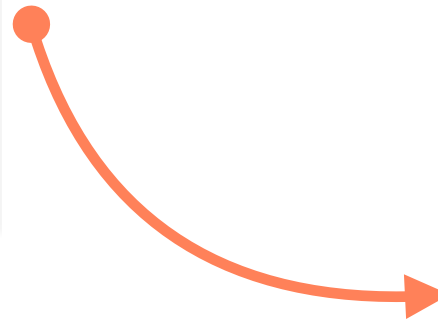
nic-hdl:	TT123-TEST
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mnt-by:	SMXX-MNT
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What You Just Did



person:	Jean Blue
address:	My Street 9876
phone:	+31 20 876 5432
e-mail:	jean@example.net
nic-hdl:	JBXX-TEST
mnt-by:	SMXX-MNT



role:	Tech Team
nic-hdl:	TT123-TEST
admin-c:	JBXX-TEST
mnt-by:	SMXX-MNT

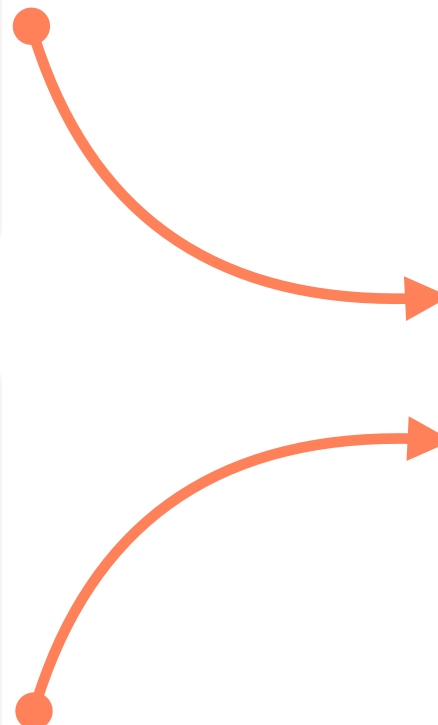
What You Just Did



person:	Jean Blue
address:	My Street 9876
phone:	+31 20 876 5432
e-mail:	jean@example.net
nic-hdl:	JBXX-TEST
mnt-by:	SMXX-MNT

person:	Your Name
address:	Your Address
phone:	Your phone number
e-mail:	Your email address
nic-hdl:	YOUR NIC-HDL
mnt-by:	YOUR-PERSONAL-MNT

role:	Tech Team
nic-hdl:	TT123-TEST
admin-c:	JBXX-TEST
tech-c:	YOUR NIC-HDL
mnt-by:	SMXX-MNT





Questions





How To Update It?

Updating the RIPE Database
Part 2

Registering IPv4 and IPv6



1. Let's go back to the email 5
 - from your colleague Jean Blue
2. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. On the left side, click on “**Create an object**”
4. Choose “inetnum” or “inet6num”
5. Click on [**Create**]

What Do You See?



- Which attributes do you see in the template?
- Notice the first line (**mnt-by:**)
- How many maintainers appear here?
- Which lines are not easy to understand?

Registering Assignments



inetnum: 10.XX.0.0 - 10.XX.3.255

mnt-by: TEST-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by: **SMXX-MNT**
status: ALLOCATED PA

inet6num: 2002:ffXX::/32

mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by: **SMXX-MNT**
status: ALLOCATED-BY-RIR

inetnum: 10.XX.2.0 - 10.XX.2.255

mnt-by: **SMXX-MNT**
status: ASSIGNED PA

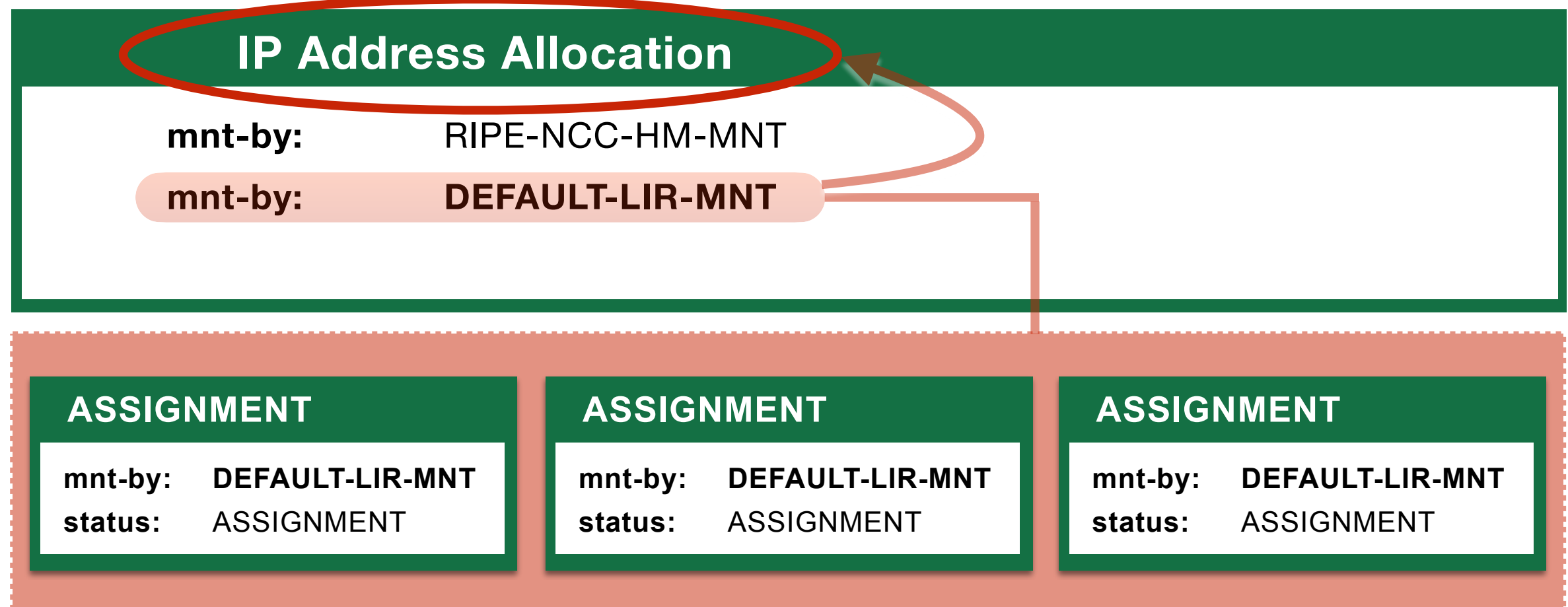
inet6num: 2002:ffXX:1001::/48

mnt-by: **SMXX-MNT**
status: ASSIGNED

Registering Assignments



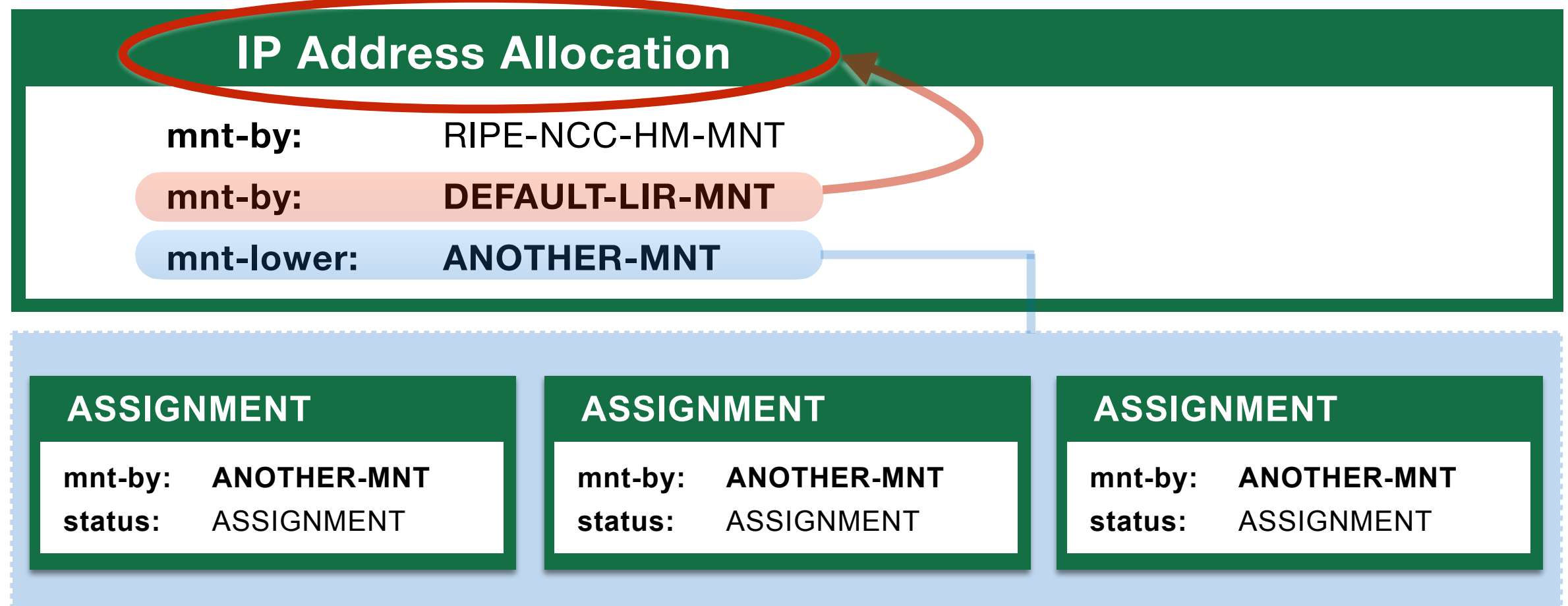
- To create an assignment, you must have authorisation from the allocation
- Here, “**mnt-by:**” has control over the allocation object and the space under the object



Registering Assignments



- If “**mnt-lower:**” is present, then it has permission to create objects in the space under the object
 - but it cannot update the allocation! (**mnt-by:**)



Registering Assignments



- You can group multiple assignments in one object
- Use “**status: AGGREGATED-BY-LIR**”
- “**assignment-size:**” attribute is
 - optional in IPv4
 - mandatory in IPv6

inetnum: 10.XX.0.0 - 10.XX.0.127

mnt-by: SMXX-MNT
status: AGGREGATED-BY-LIR
assignment-size: 30

inet6num: 2002:ffXX:1000::/36

mnt-by: SMXX-MNT
status: AGGREGATED-BY-LIR
assignment-size: 56

Filling In The Template



- Choose which maintainer will protect the new object
- Click on the **X** to remove a maintainer

Please enter the maintainers you would like to use as mnt-by

LIR-MNT★ | X

PERSONAL-MNT★ | X

★ = Associated with your Access account

Filling In The Template



- Choose which maintainer will protect the new object
- Click on the **X** to remove a maintainer

Please enter the maintainers you would like to use as mnt-by

LIR-MNT★ | X



★ = Associated with your Access account

Filling In The Template



Same object structure for IPv4 and IPv6

Address space and
Network name

inetnum: IPv4 RANGE
inet6num: IPv6 PREFIX
netname: NETWORK-NAME

Country and
Contact information

country: ZZ
admin-c: AD321-RIPE
tech-c: TE123-RIPE

Type of address space

status: ASSIGNMENT

mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
source: RIPE


Object Creation Success



If the values in the object template are correct, then the RIPE Database will create the object


inetnum: 10.30.2.0 - 10.30.2.255

netname: LAIKA-NET-01
country: ZZ
admin-c: MB54321-TEST
tech-c: ROLE-NIC-HDL
status: ASSIGNED PA
mnt-by: SMXX-MNT



inet6num: 2002:ff30:1001::/48

netname: LAIKA-NET-01
country: ZZ
admin-c: MB54321-TEST
tech-c: ROLE-NIC-HDL
status: ASSIGNED
mnt-by: SMXX-MNT



status: ALLOCATED-ASSIGNED PA



- Registers a whole assignment for small IPv4 allocations
- LIR changes status in the RIPE Database
- It is seen both as ALLOCATED PA and ASSIGNED PA

inetnum: 192.30.0.0 - 192.30.0.255	
netname:	NL-NETWORK-20240101
country:	NL
org:	ORG-ZX99-RIPE
admin-c:	DV789-RIPE
tech-c:	JS123-RIPE
status:	ALLOCATED PA
mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
source:	RIPE



inetnum: 192.30.0.0 - 192.30.0.255	
netname:	NL-NETWORK-20240101
country:	NL
org:	ORG-ZX99-RIPE
admin-c:	DV789-RIPE
tech-c:	JS123-RIPE
status:	ALLOCATED-ASSIGNED PA
mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
source:	RIPE

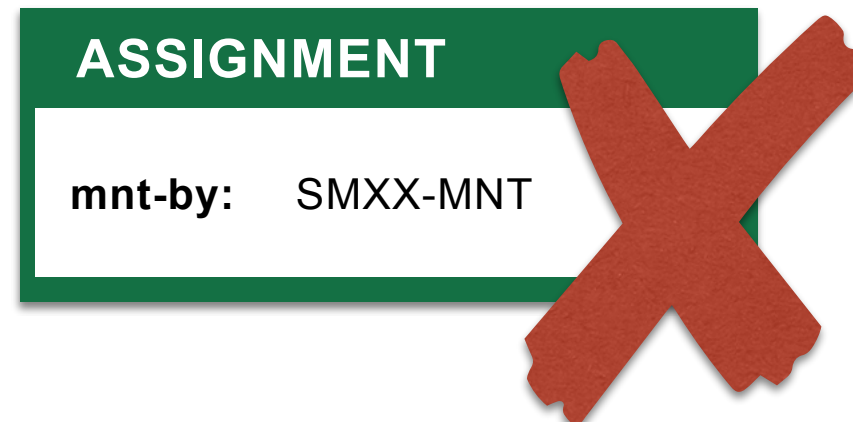
Deleting Objects



1. Let's go back to the email 5
 - from your colleague Jean Blue
2. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for all the assignments:
 - i.e. -m 10.XX.0.0 - 10.XX.3.255
 - i.e. -m 2002:ffXX::/32



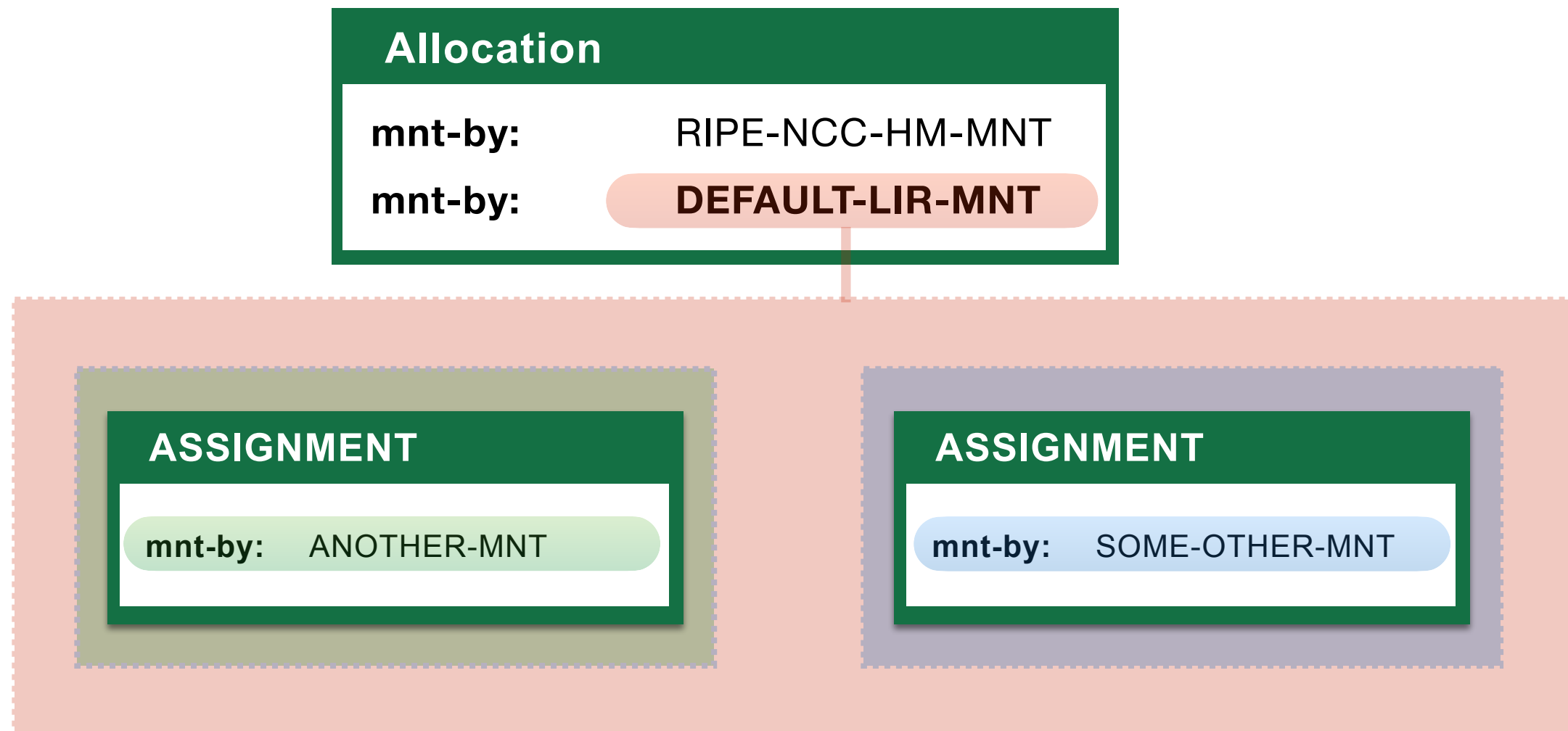
4. You should see Jean Blue's assignments and your newly registered assignments
5. Look for the **wrong** objects in the results
6. Click on **[Update object]**
7. Click on the **[Delete this object]** button
8. Provide a "reason" and click on **[Confirm delete]**



LIR Keeps Control



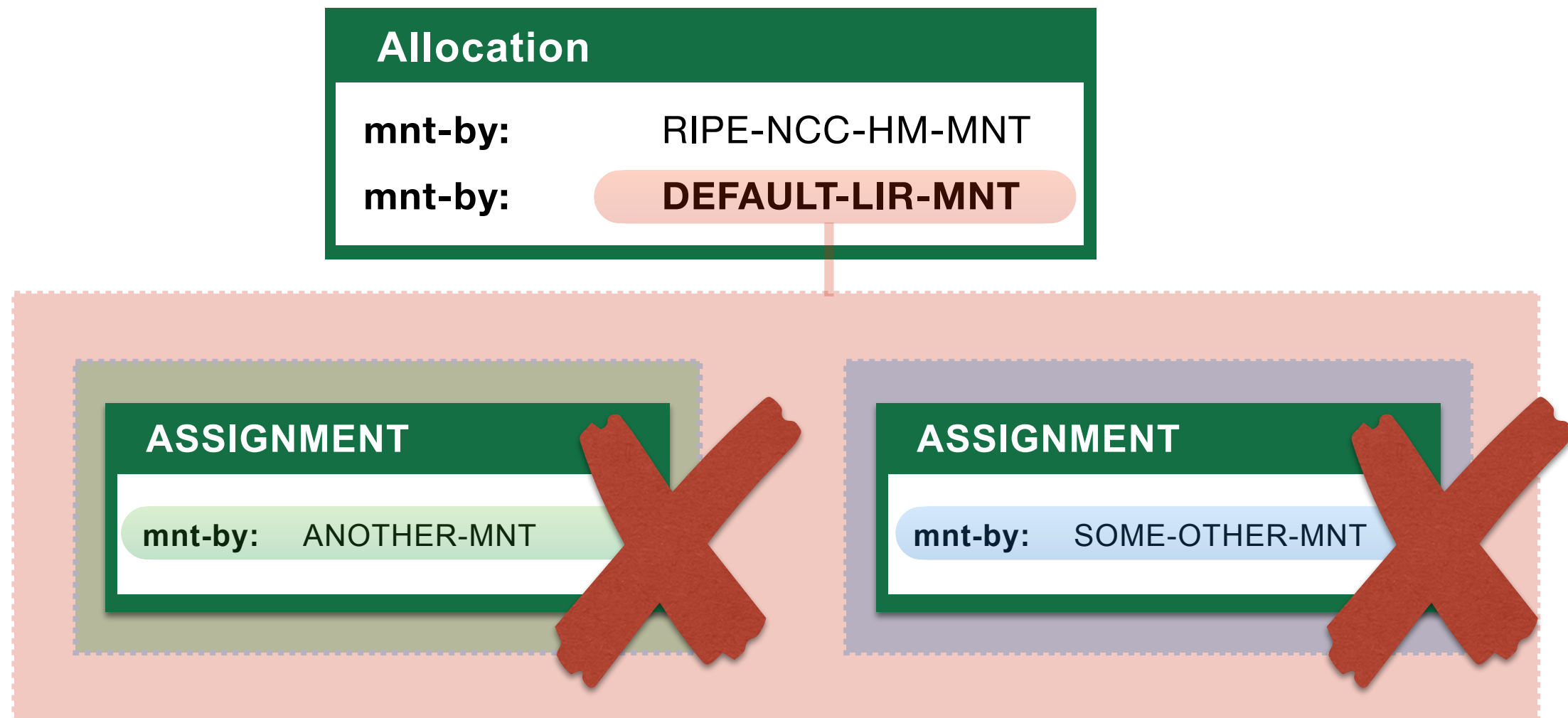
- LIR Default Maintainer has control over the whole address space
- Use “**Force Delete**” to remove lost objects



LIR Keeps Control



- LIR Default Maintainer has control over the whole address space
- Use “**Force Delete**” to remove lost objects



When You Cannot Delete



- If an object is referenced in another object, you must first remove the reference

This object cannot be deleted

You can only delete unreferenced objects. Please remove the references from these objects first:

- mntner - [SM30-MNT](#)
- inetnum - [10.30.0.0 - 10.30.3.255](#)
- inet6num - [2002:ff30::/32](#)
- organisation - [ORG-IC30-TEST](#)
- aut-num - [AS65530](#)

[Return to object](#)

Summary



- You have now updated the RIPE Database:
 - Associated your Access with the LIR **maintainer**
 - Created your own **person/maintainer** pair
 - Created a **role** object for the LIR
 - Registered assignments by creating **inet(6)num** objects
 - Deleted the wrong **inet(6)num** objects





Questions





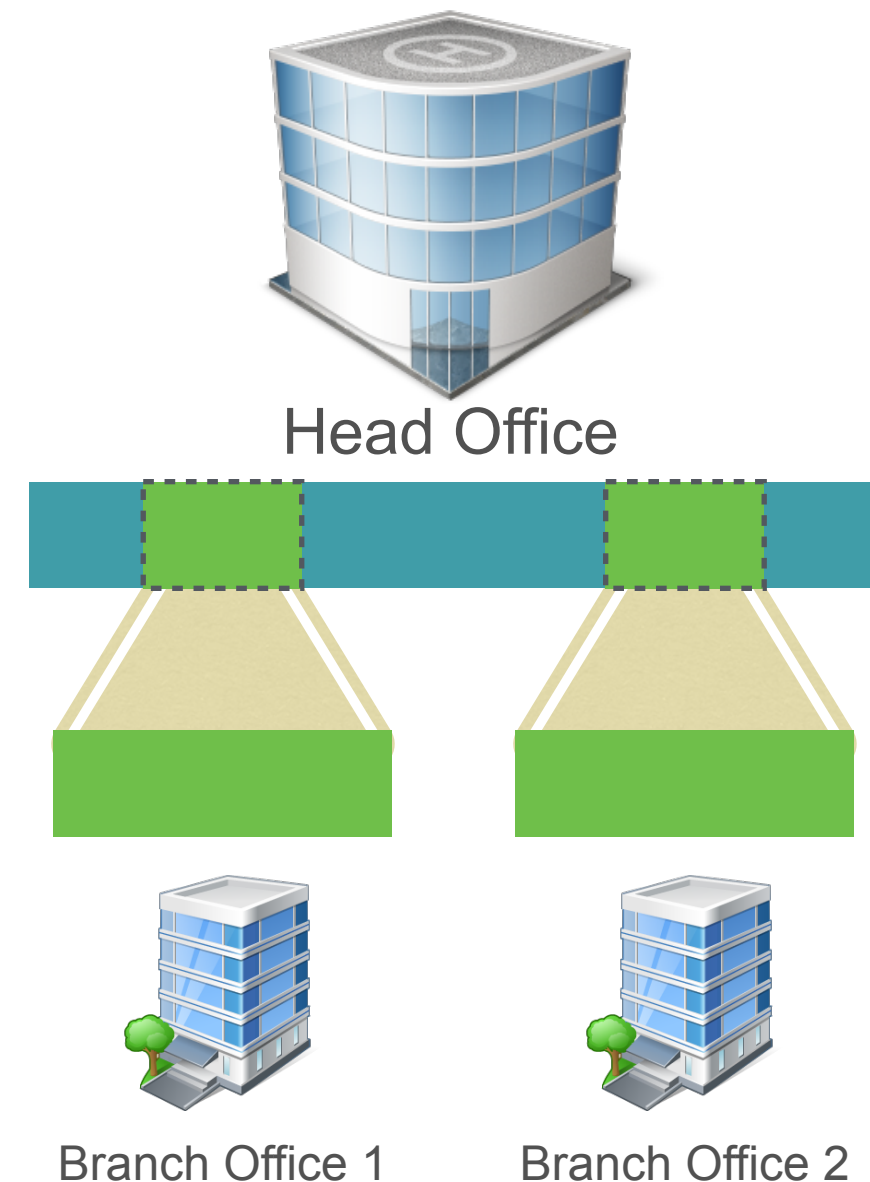
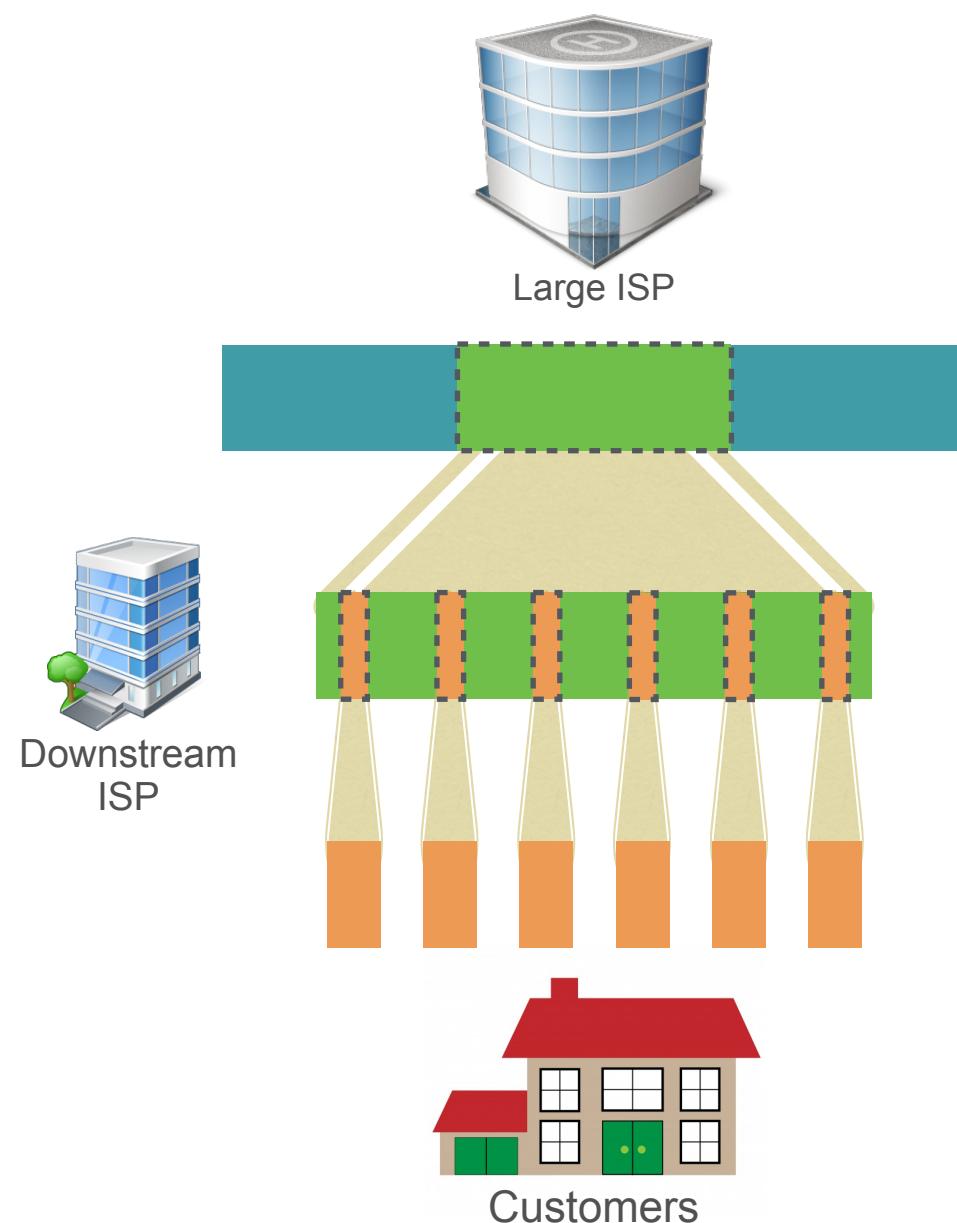
Delegating To Others

Giving control to someone else

Sub-Allocations



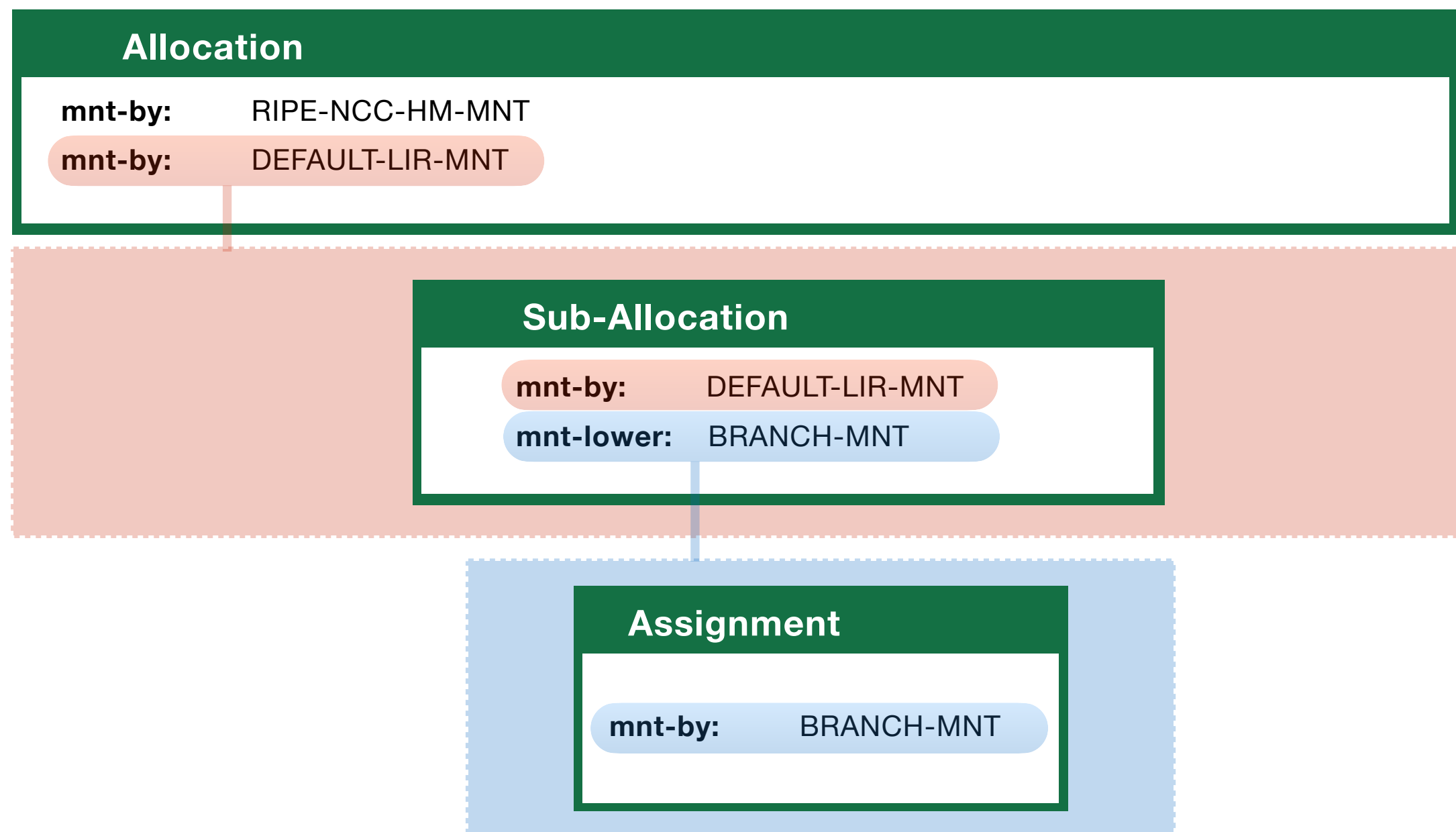
- Block for a downstream customer
- Branch office or department



Delegating Control



- “mnt-lower:” attribute gives permission to create more specific objects



Registering Sub-Allocations



Use the appropriate “**status:**”

IPv4 = SUB-ALLOCATED PA

IPv6 = ALLOCATED-BY-LIR

inetnum: 10.0.1.0 - 10.0.2.255

netname: Branch-office-1

country: NL

admin-c: LA789-RIPE

tech-c: LA789-RIPE

status: SUB-ALLOCATED PA

mnt-by: LIR-MNT

mnt-lower: BRANCH-MNT

inet6num: 2002:ff00:a000::/36

netname: Branch-office-1

country: NL

admin-c: LA789-RIPE

tech-c: LA789-RIPE

status: ALLOCATED-BY-LIR

mnt-by: LIR-MNT

mnt-lower: BRANCH-MNT

Register a IPv6 Sub-Allocation



1. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
2. On the left side, click on “**Create an object**”
3. Choose “**inet6num**” and click on [Create]



4. Fill in the template:

- inet6num: 2002:ffXX:a000::/36
- netname: SUBALLOCATION
- country: your neighbor's country
- Use your **person** object as “admin-c:”
- Use your neighbor's **person** object as “tech-c:”



5. Add a “mnt-lower:” attribute
 - Use **your neighbor’s maintainer** as value
6. Choose the status **ALLOCATED-BY-LIR**
7. Click on **[Submit]**

What You Want To Do



Allocation: 2002:ff30::/32

mnt-by: TEST-NCC-HM-MNT

mnt-by: SM30-MNT

What You Want To Do



Allocation: 2002:ff30::/32

mnt-by: TEST-NCC-HM-MNT

mnt-by: SM30-MNT

What You Want To Do



Allocation: 2002:ff30::/32

mnt-by: TEST-NCC-HM-MNT

mnt-by: SM30-MNT

Sub-Allocation: 2002:ff30:a000::/36

mnt-by: SM30-MNT

mnt-lower: SM15-MNT

What You Want To Do



Allocation: 2002:ff30::/32

mnt-by: TEST-NCC-HM-MNT

mnt-by: SM30-MNT

Sub-Allocation: 2002:ff30:a000::/36

mnt-by: SM30-MNT

mnt-lower: SM15-MNT

What You Want To Do



Allocation: 2002:ff30::/32

mnt-by: TEST-NCC-HM-MNT

mnt-by: SM30-MNT

Sub-Allocation: 2002:ff30:a000::/36

mnt-by: SM30-MNT

mnt-lower: SM15-MNT

Assignment

mnt-by: SM15-MNT

Create an Assignment

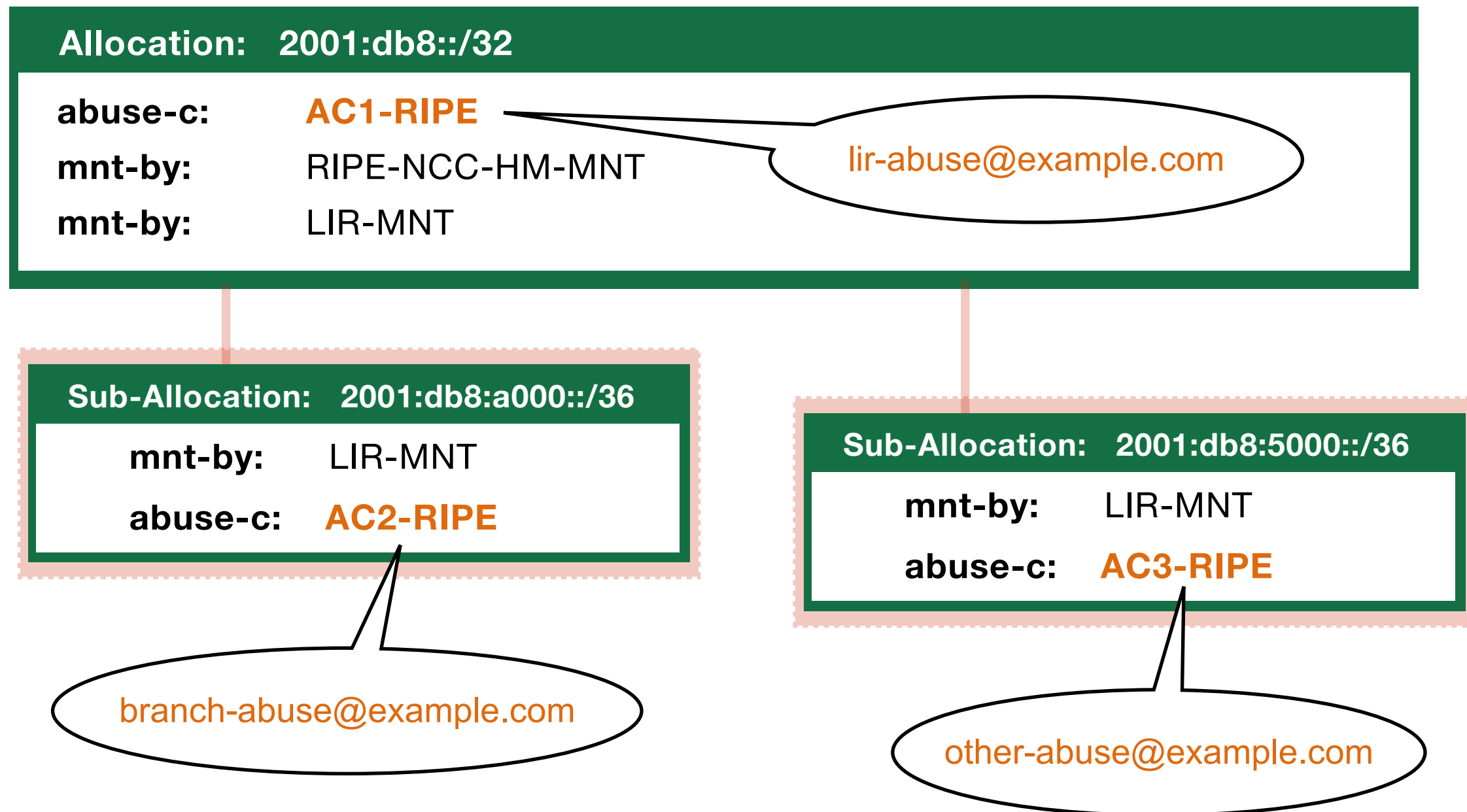


1. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
2. On the left side, click on “**Create an object**”
3. Choose “**inet6num**” and click on [Create]
4. Fill in the template:
 - inet6num: 2002:ff**zz**:a000::/48
 - **zz** = number of your neighbor
 - status: **ASSIGNED**
5. You know how to do the rest! ;-)

Separate Abuse Contact



- Sub-allocations can have a separate “**abuse-c:**”





Questions





RIPE Routing Registry

aut-num, route and route6 objects

Search For Your aut-num Object



1. Read the email 6
2. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for **AS655XX**

What Do You See?



- What does this object represent?
- Which attributes call your attention?

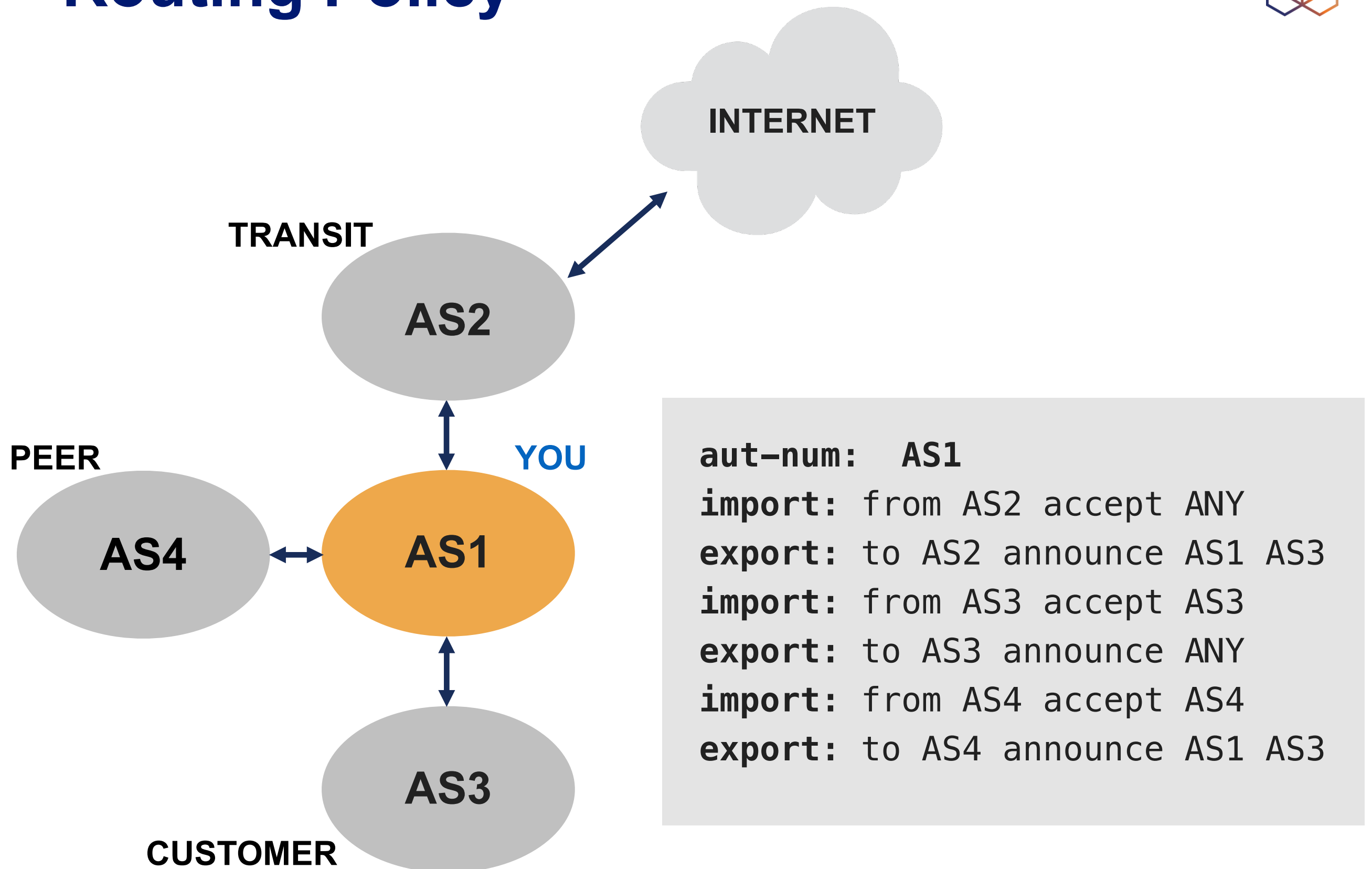
Autonomous System Number Objects



- Known as **aut-num** objects
- Register **who** holds an AS Number and the routing policy for that AS

aut-num:	AS12345
as-name:	YOUR-AS-NAME
org:	ORG-EE2-RIPE
import:	from AS1010 accept ANY
export:	to AS1010 announce AS12345
import:	from AS987 accept ANY
export:	to AS987 announce AS12345
admin-c:	DV789-RIPE
tech-c:	JS123-RIPE
status:	ASSIGNED
mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-END-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
source:	RIPE

Routing Policy



Building An aut-num Object

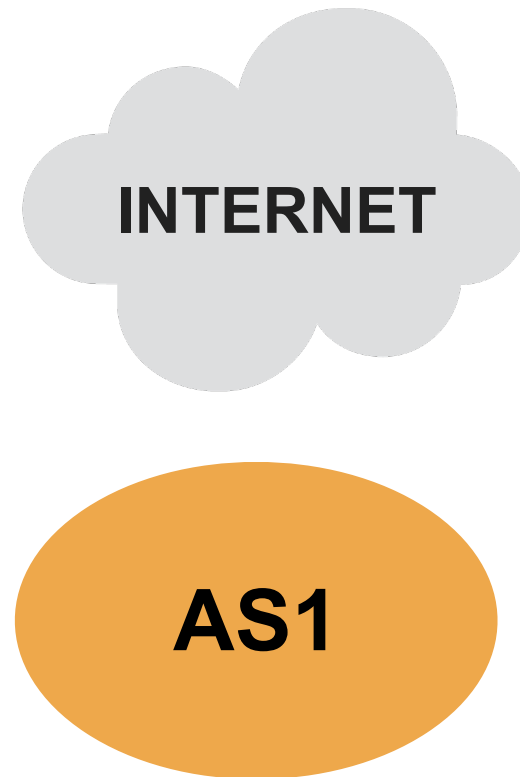


aut-num: AS2

aut-num: AS1

aut-num: AS3

Building An aut-num Object

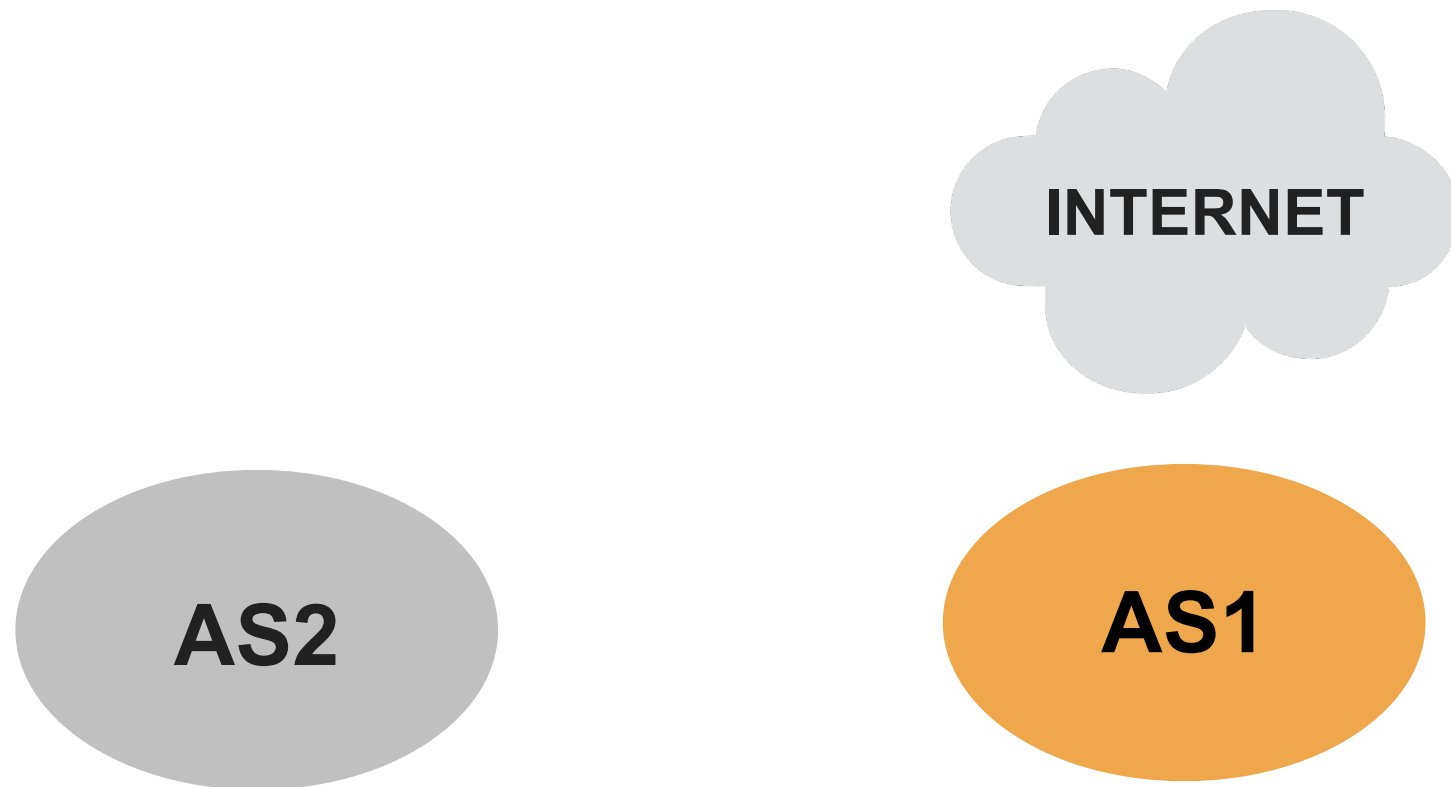


aut-num: AS2

aut-num: AS1

aut-num: AS3

Building An aut-num Object

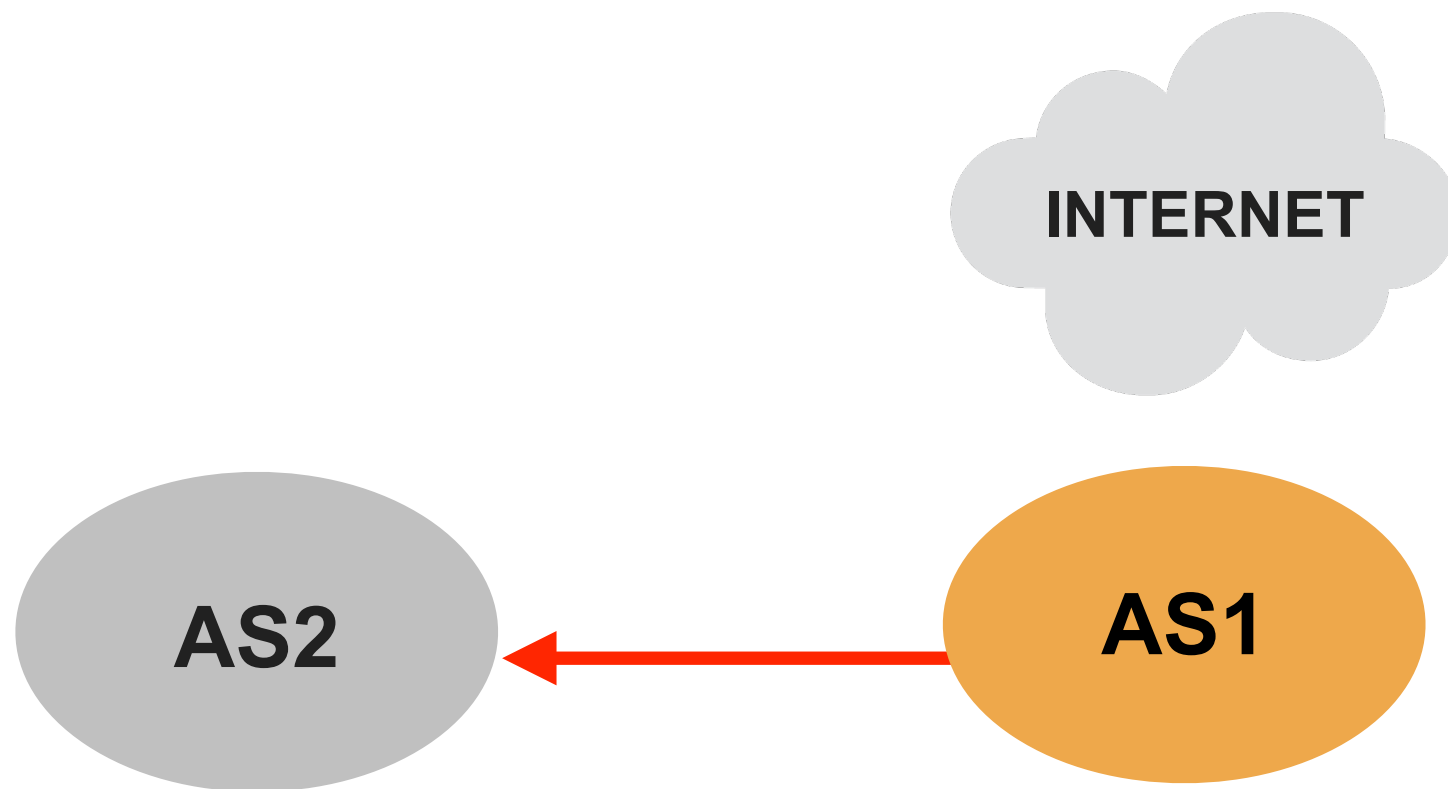


aut-num: AS2

aut-num: AS1

aut-num: AS3

Building An aut-num Object



aut-num: AS2

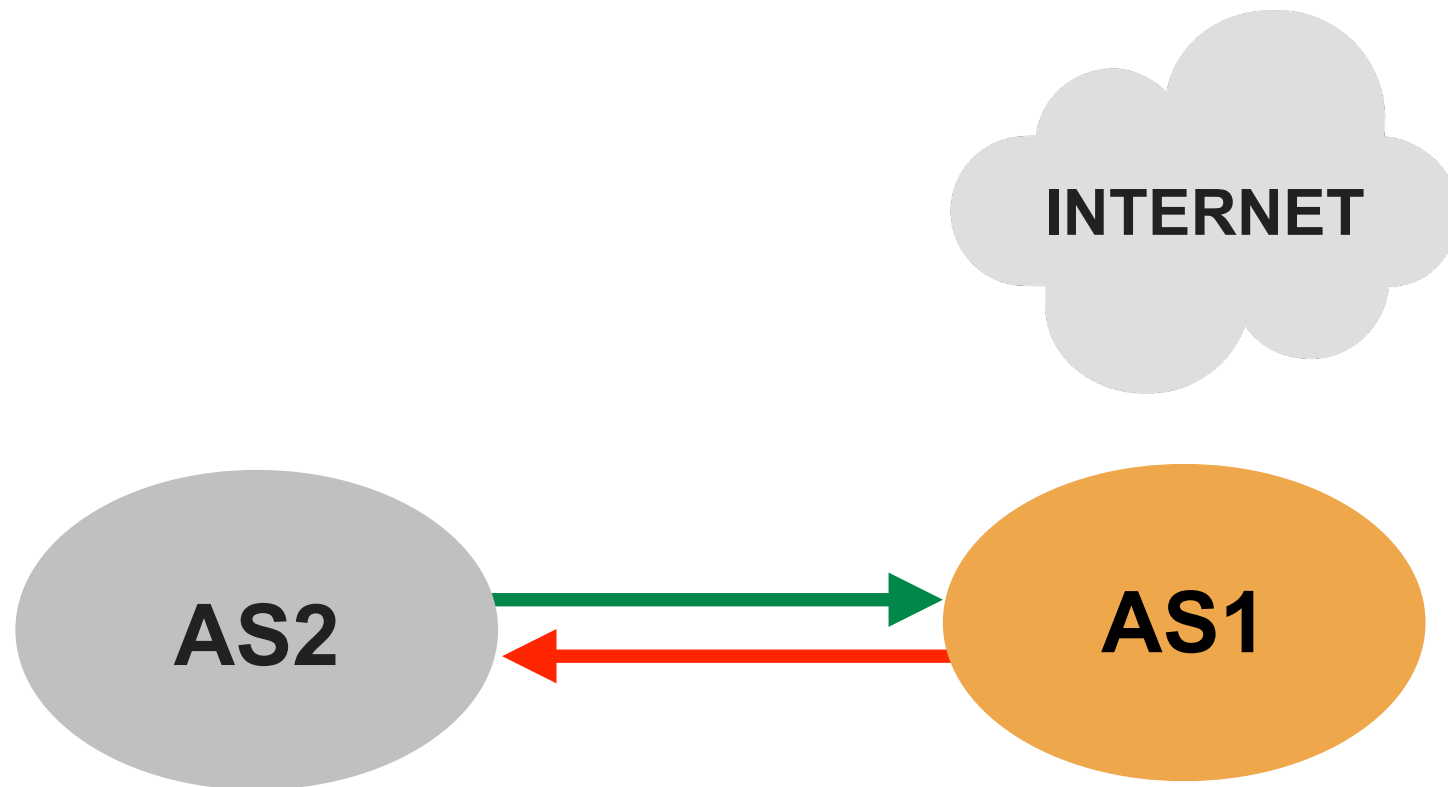
import: from AS1 accept AS1

aut-num: AS1

export: to AS2 announce AS1

aut-num: AS3

Building An aut-num Object



aut-num: AS2

import: from AS1 accept AS1

export: to AS1 announce AS2

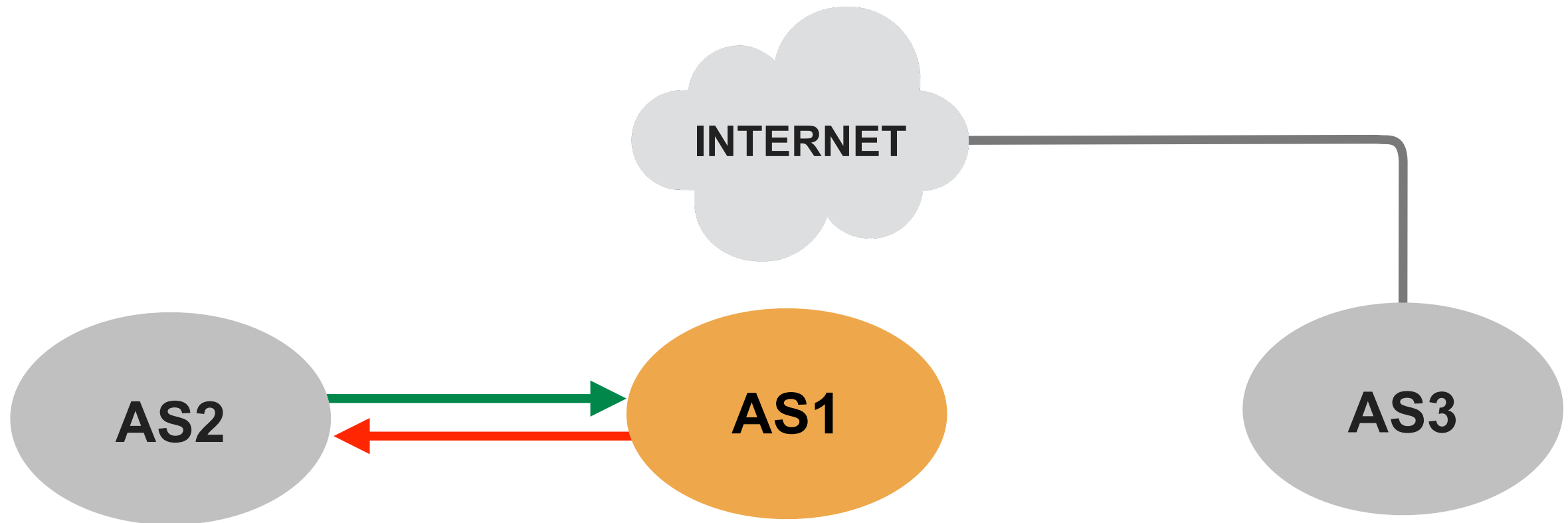
aut-num: AS1

export: to AS2 announce AS1

import: from AS2 accept AS2

aut-num: AS3

Building An aut-num Object



aut-num: AS2

import: from AS1 accept AS1

export: to AS1 announce AS2

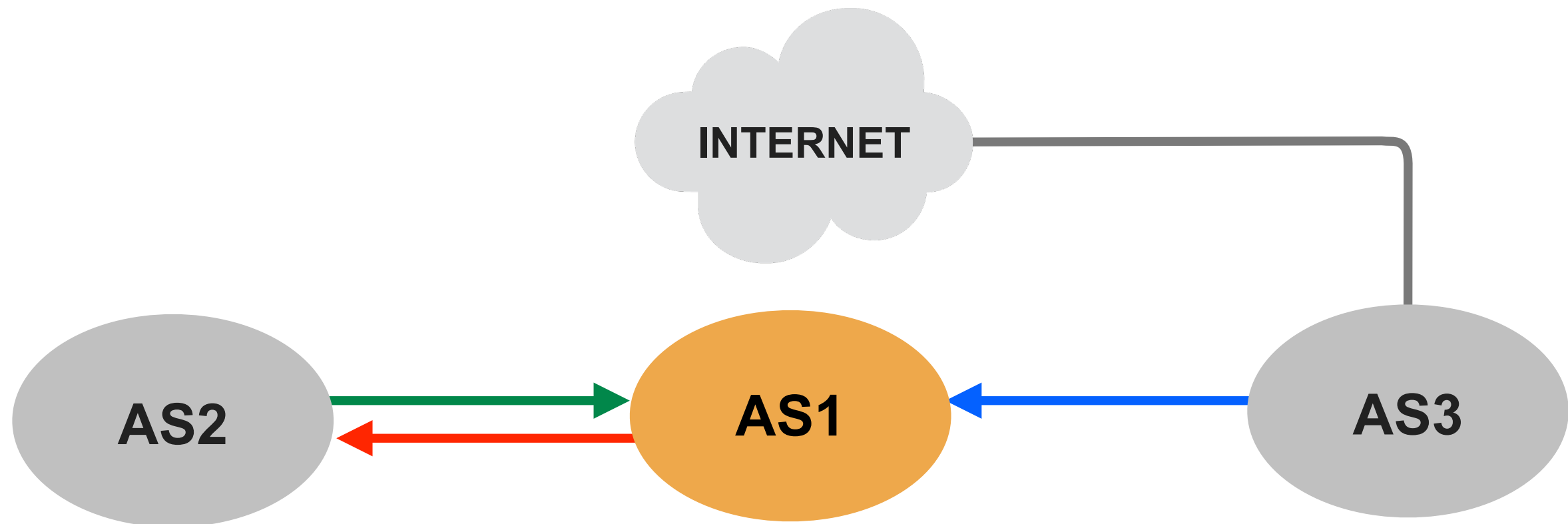
aut-num: AS1

export: to AS2 announce AS1

import: from AS2 accept AS2

aut-num: AS3

Building An aut-num Object



aut-num: AS2

import: from AS1 accept AS1

export: to AS1 announce AS2

aut-num: AS1

export: to AS2 announce AS1

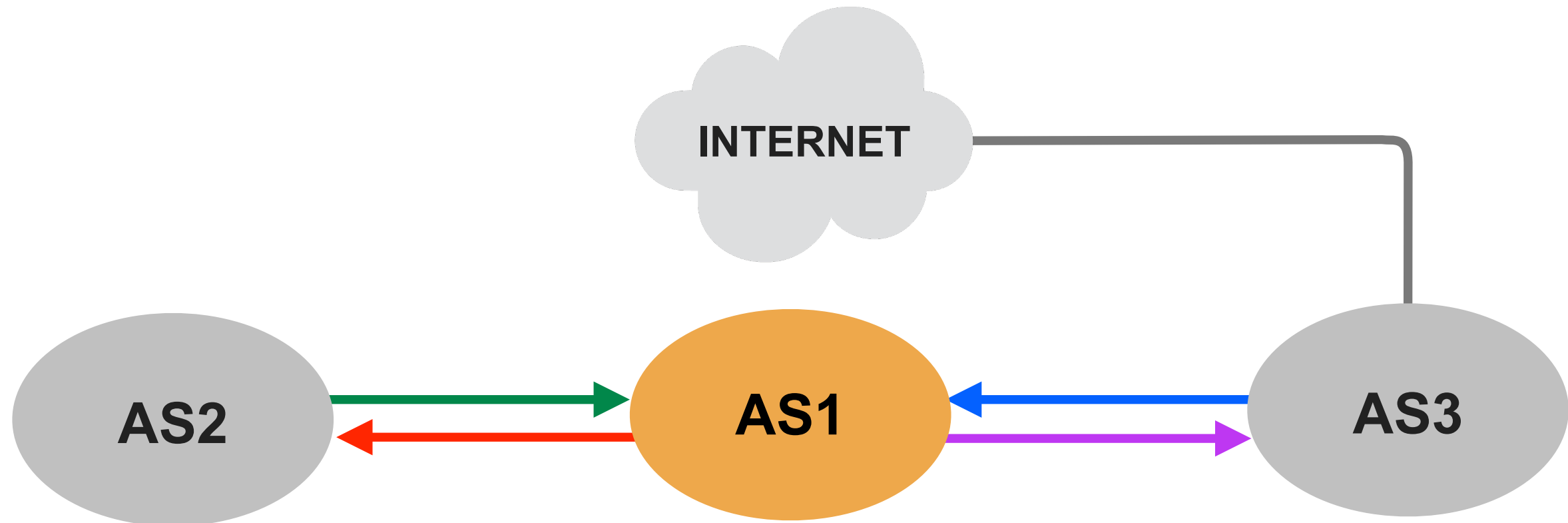
import: from AS2 accept AS2

import: from AS3 accept ANY

aut-num: AS3

export: to AS1 announce ANY

Building An aut-num Object



aut-num: AS2

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import: from AS1 accept AS1
export: to AS1 announce AS2
```

aut-num: AS1

```
export: to AS2 announce AS1
import: from AS2 accept AS2
import: from AS3 accept ANY
export: to AS3 announce AS1
```

aut-num: AS3

```
export: to AS1 announce ANY
import: from AS1 accept AS1
```

Search For route(6) Objects



1. Read the email 6
2. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for the **route(6)** objects
 - Use the “-T” flag to show the route(6) objects
 - i.e. -T route 10.**xx**.0.0/22
 - i.e. -T route6 2002:ff**xx**::/32

What Do You See?

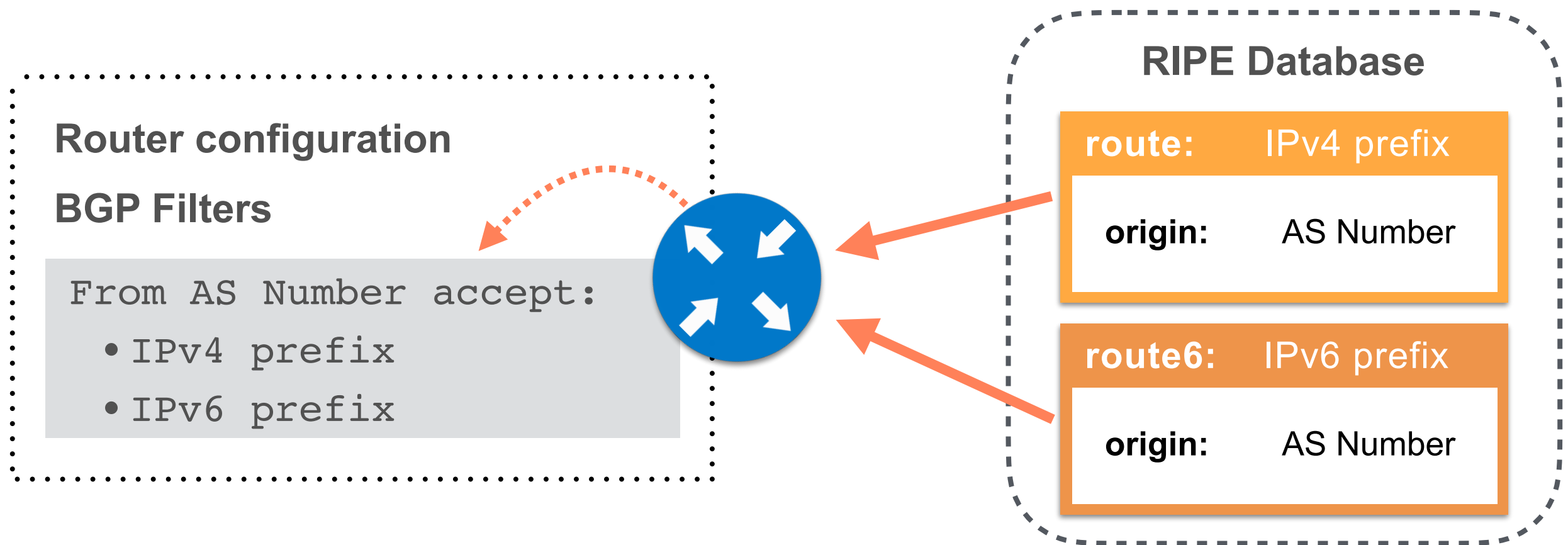


- Did you get any objects in the results?
- No? Then there are no route(6) objects yet!

What Are route(6) Objects?



- **route(6)** objects register which IPv4/IPv6 prefix will be announced by which AS number
- Used for creating BGP filters



How To Create route(6) Objects



- You need permission from:

1. **inetnum** or **inet6num**

2. **route** or **route6**

1

Allocation

mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
mnt-routes:	ANOTHER-MNT

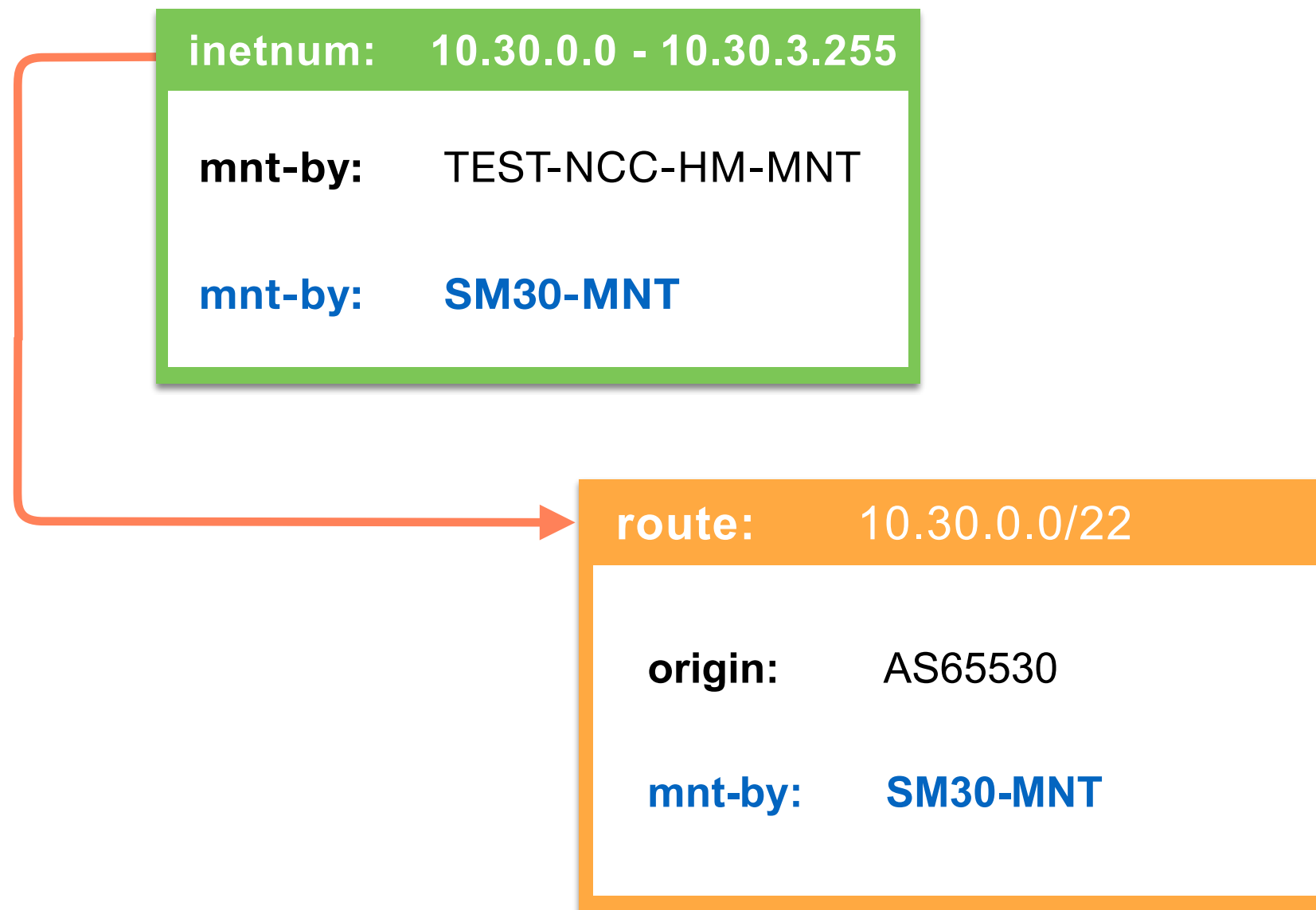
route(6)

origin:	AS12345
mnt-by:	ANOTHER-MNT

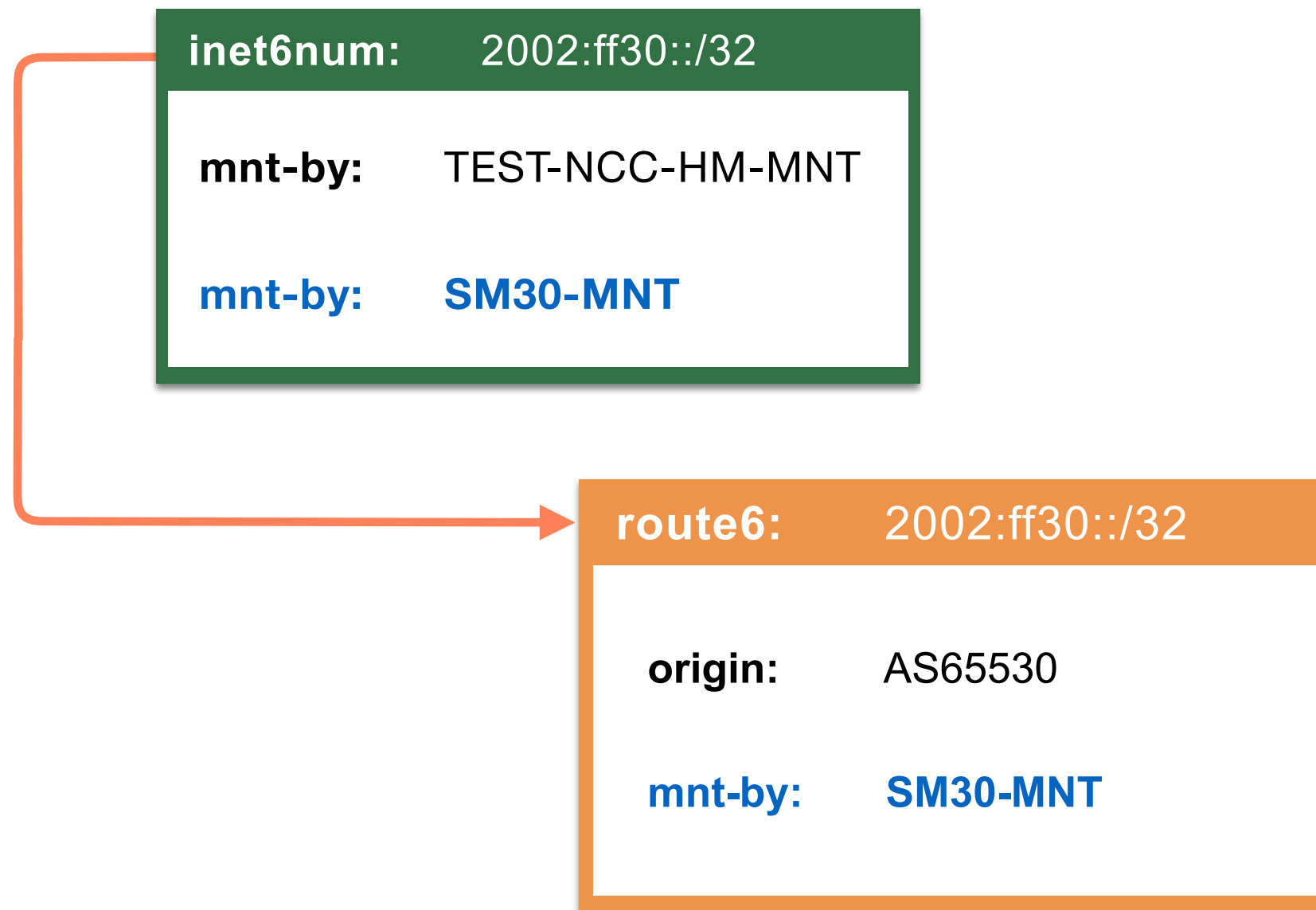
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* **mnt-routes** delegates the creation of route(6) objects

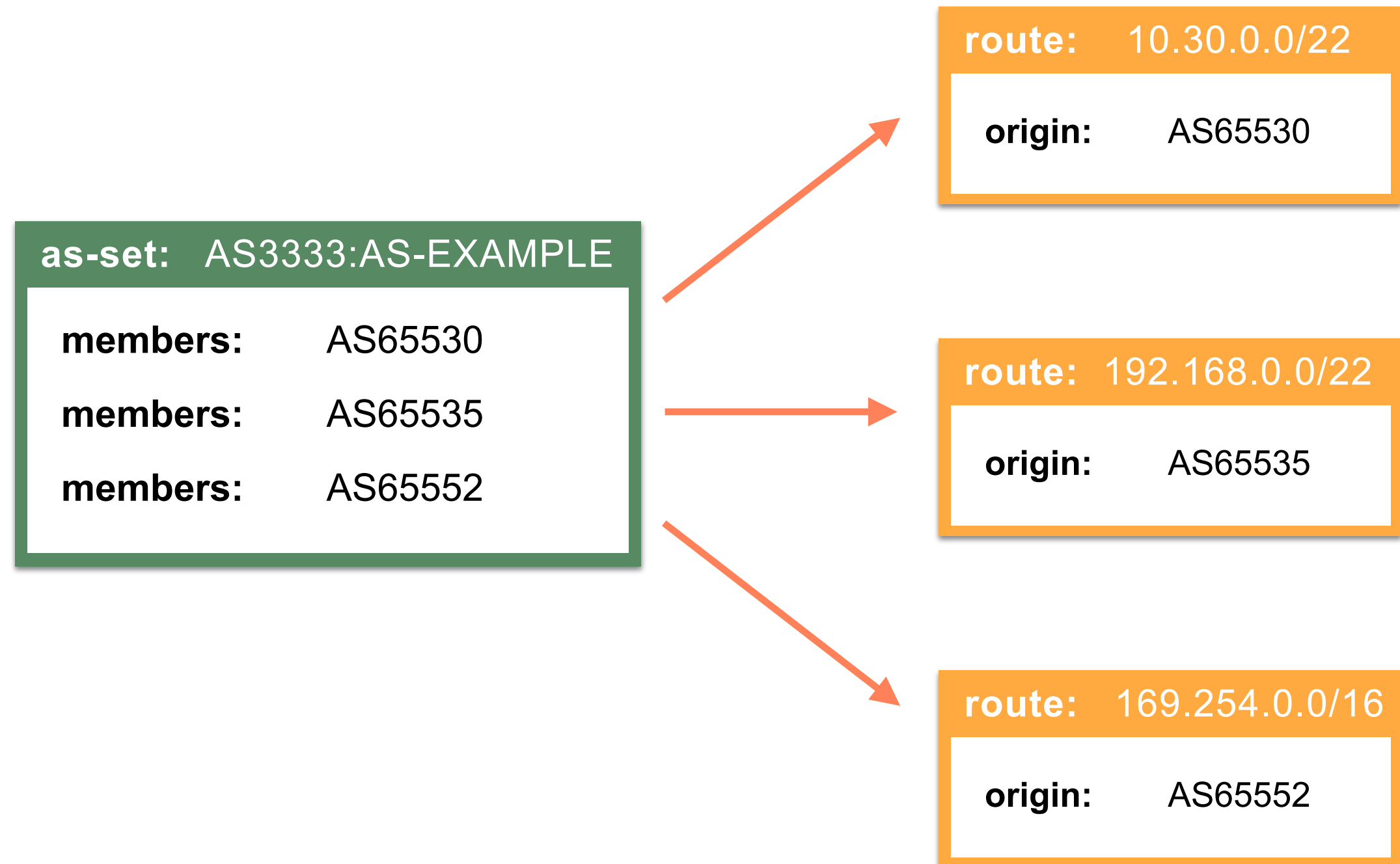
Registering IPv4 Routes



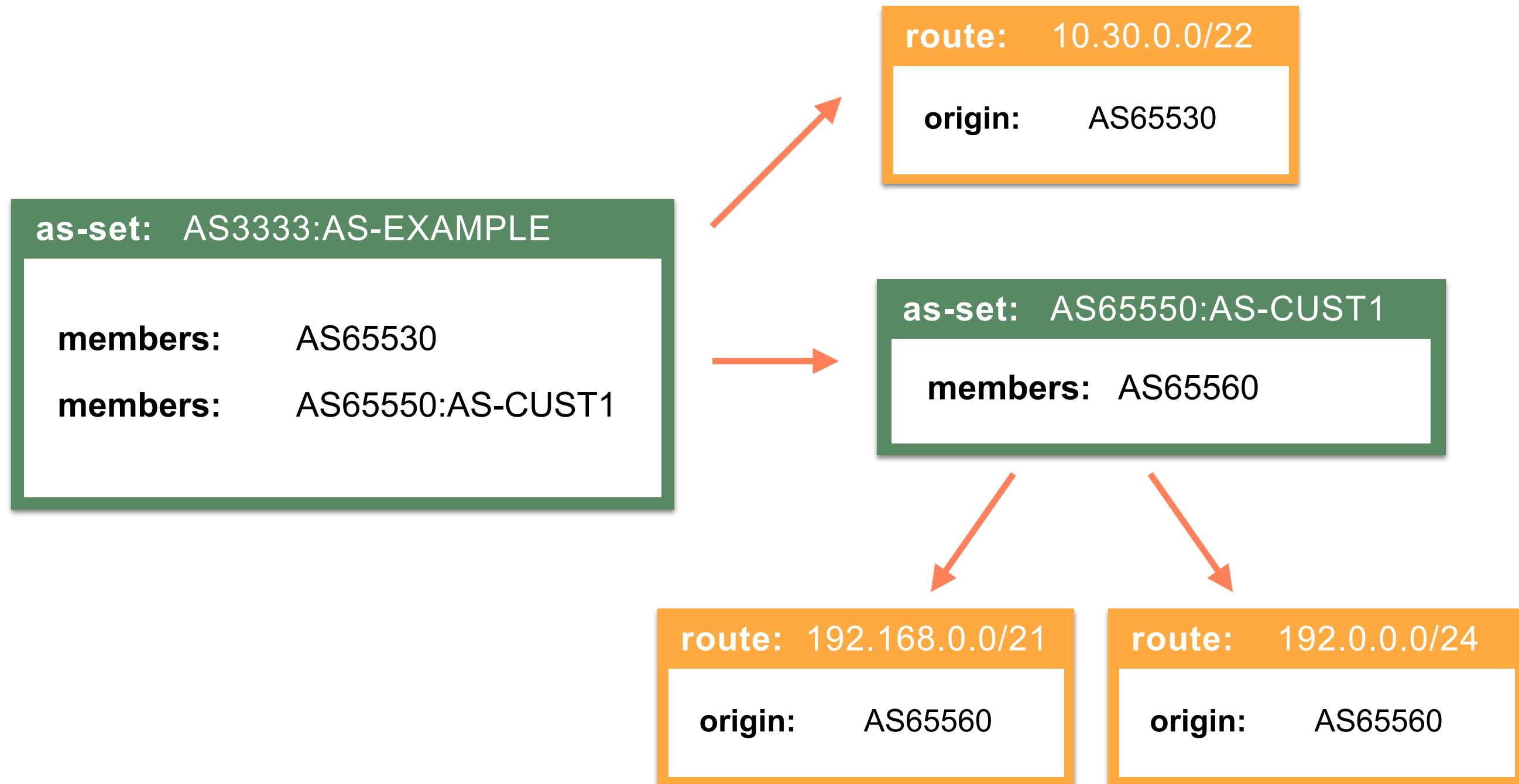
Registering IPv6 Routes



AS-Sets



AS-Sets



Create route(6) Objects



1. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
2. On the left side, click on “**Create an object**”
3. Choose “**route**” or “**route6**” and click on [Create]
4. Fill in the template:
 - route: 10.**XX**.0.0/22
 - route6: 2002:ff**XX**::/32
 - origin: AS655**XX**



Questions





Reverse DNS

Setting up reverse delegation

Looking For Domain Objects



1. Read the email 7
2. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
3. Search for your IPv4 allocation
4. Use the flags “-r -m -d” in the query
 - “-d” flag includes domain objects in results
 - i.e. -r -m -d 10.XX.0.0/22

You can try this with your own real allocation!

What Do You See?

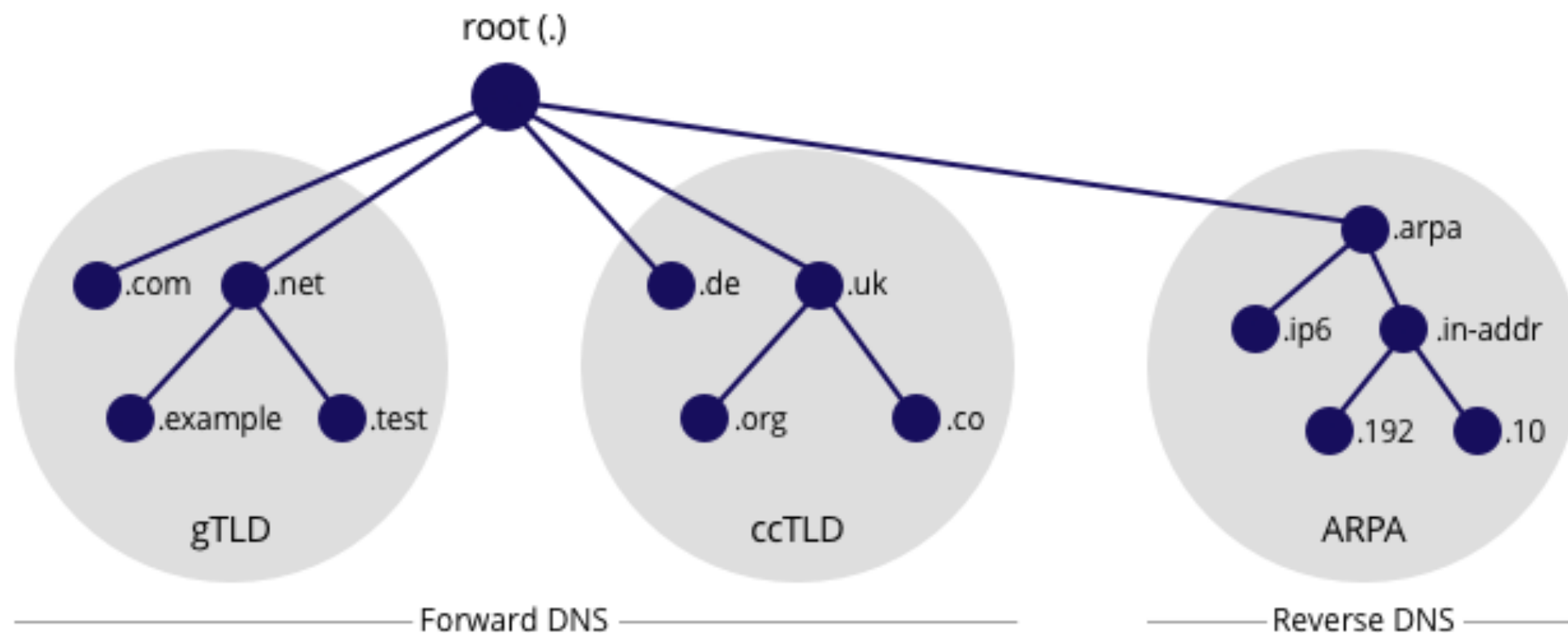


- Do you see any **domain** objects in the results?
- No? Then Reverse Delegation is not set up yet!

DNS Tree Structure



- At the top is the root (.)
- Then the ccTLDs and gTLDs
- Each domain/sub-domain is stored in a DNS zone



What is Reverse DNS ?



Mapping of IP addresses to host names

193.2.6.139

2001:67c:2e8:22::c100:68b



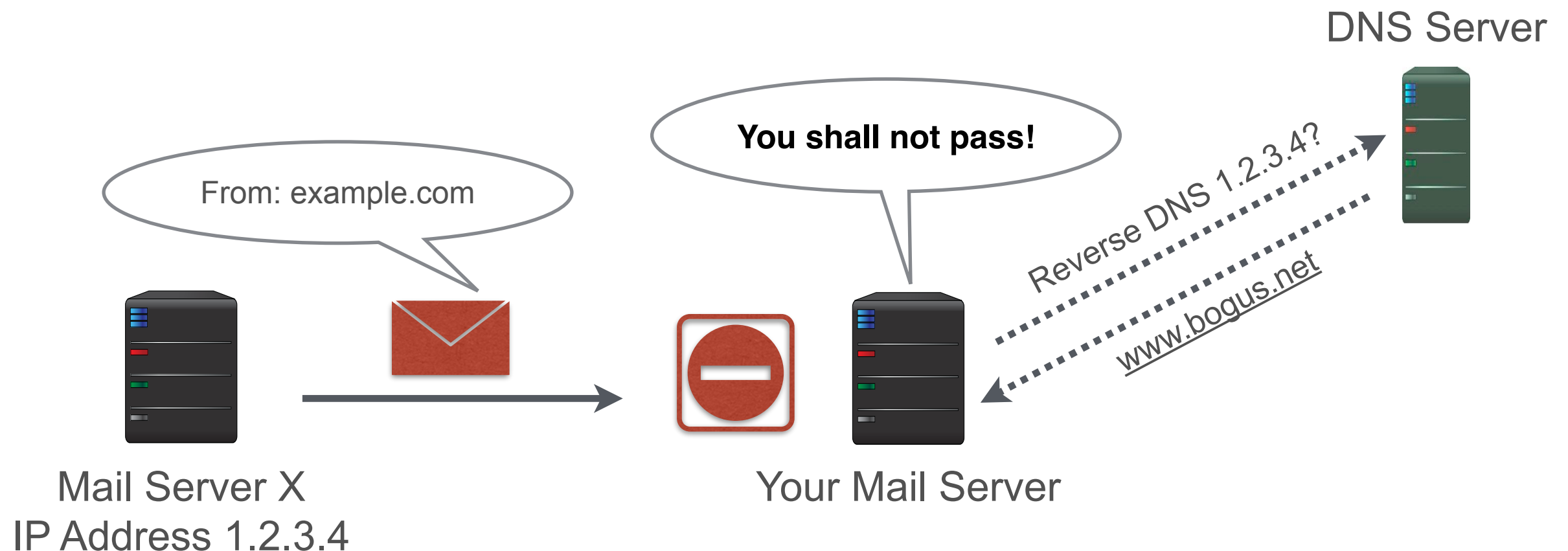
www.ripe.net

Purpose of Reverse DNS

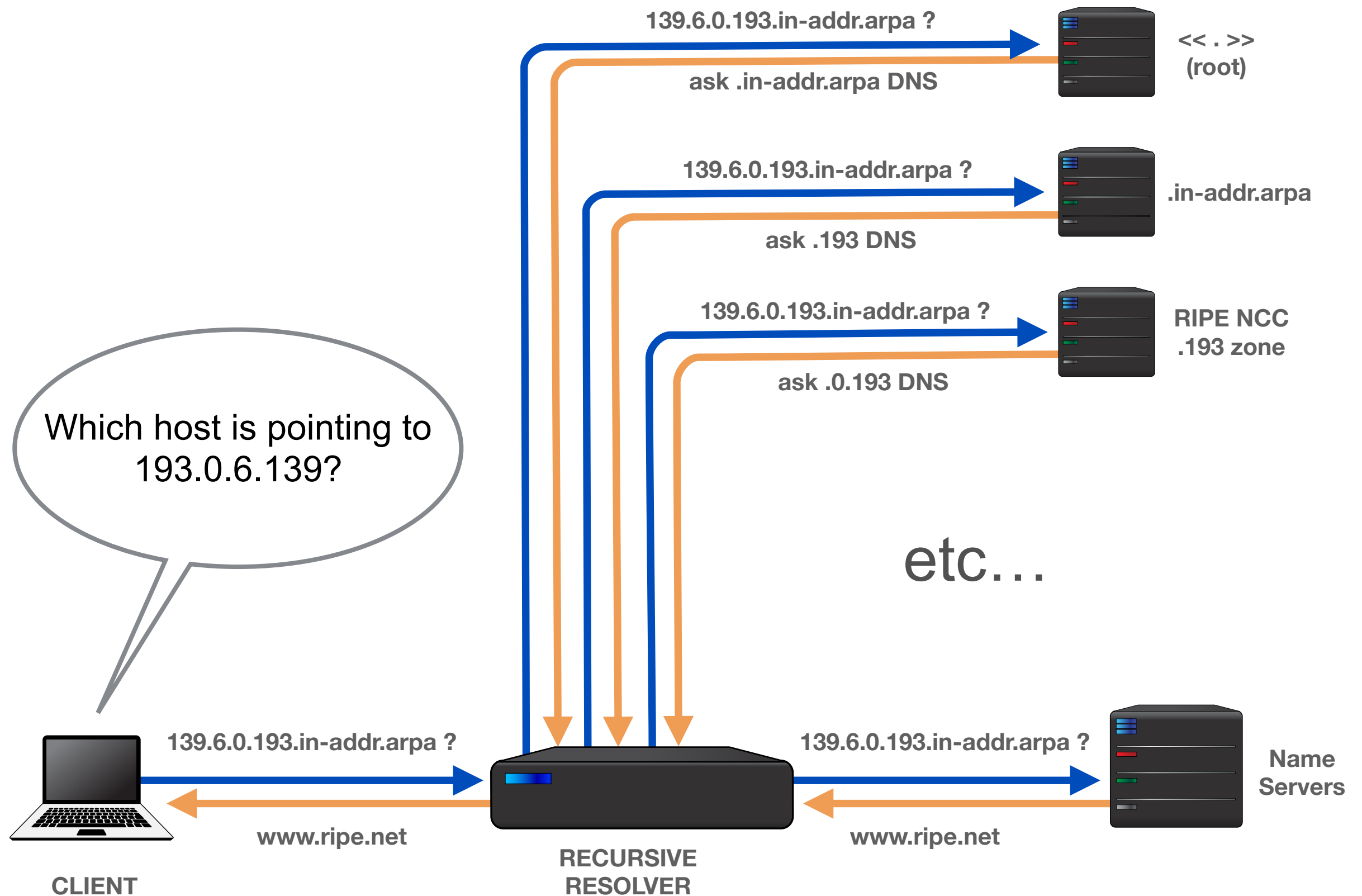


Reverse DNS is used for:

- Identifying Spam
- Network Diagnostics
- Controlling Access to a Network



How does Reverse DNS Work?



Reverse Delegation Basics



IPv4

in-addr.arpa zone

/24 or /16 blocks

IPv6

ip6.arpa zone

Multiple of 4 bits

/28, /32, /36, /40,
/44, /48

Setting up Reverse Delegation



Configure your DNS servers

- at least two name servers in different subnets
- create a zone file on each for each chunk

Check your zones: <http://dnscheck.ripe.net>

The screenshot shows a web form for checking DNS zones. It has three main sections: 'Domain name' with a text input and a play button; 'Nameservers' with a table containing 'NS' and 'IP' columns, a plus button to add more, and a minus button to remove; and 'Digests' with a plus button to add more. At the bottom, there is a button labeled 'Fetch data from parent zone' and a checkbox for 'Advanced options'.

Domain name	
<input type="text"/>	

Nameservers	
NS	IP

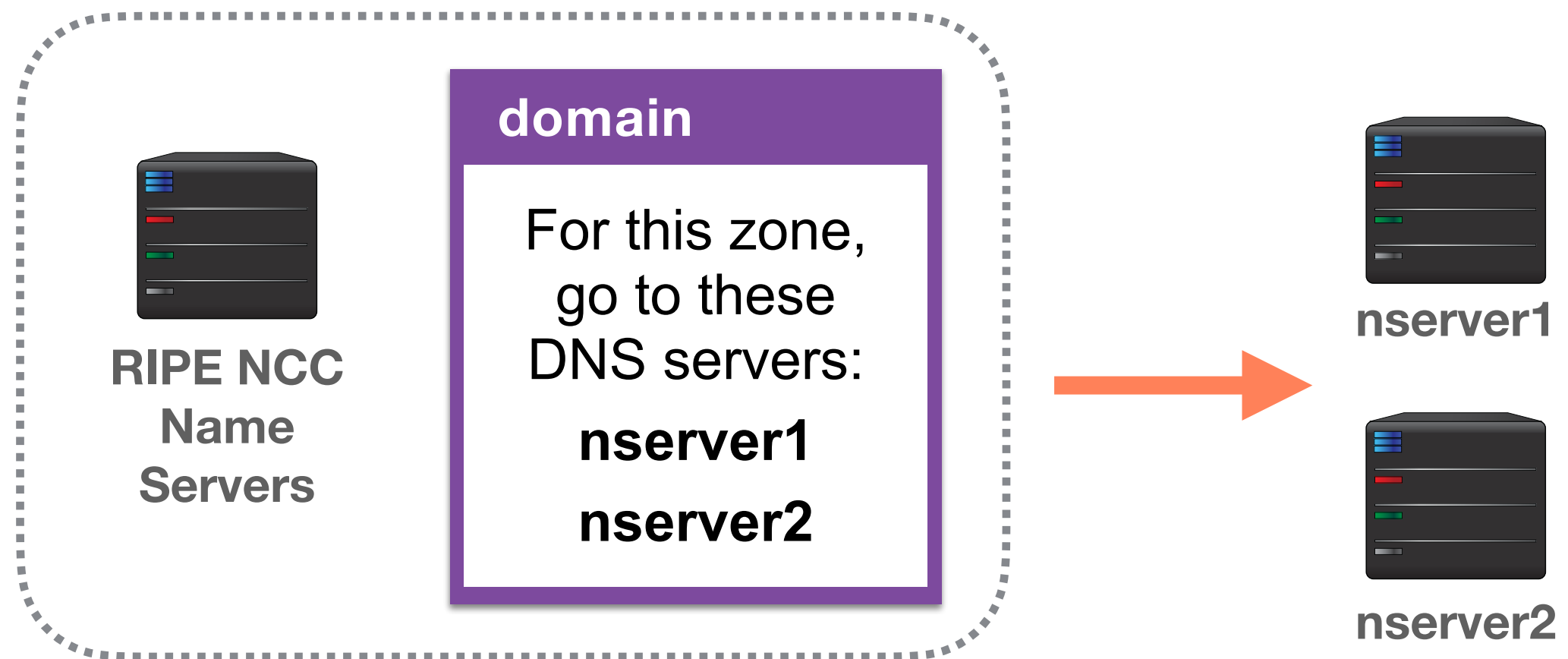
Digests	

☐ Advanced options

Domain Objects



- Create records on RIPE NCC DNS servers
- They point to name servers that will be authoritative for the zone



Creating Domain Objects



Which maintainers are on the address space?

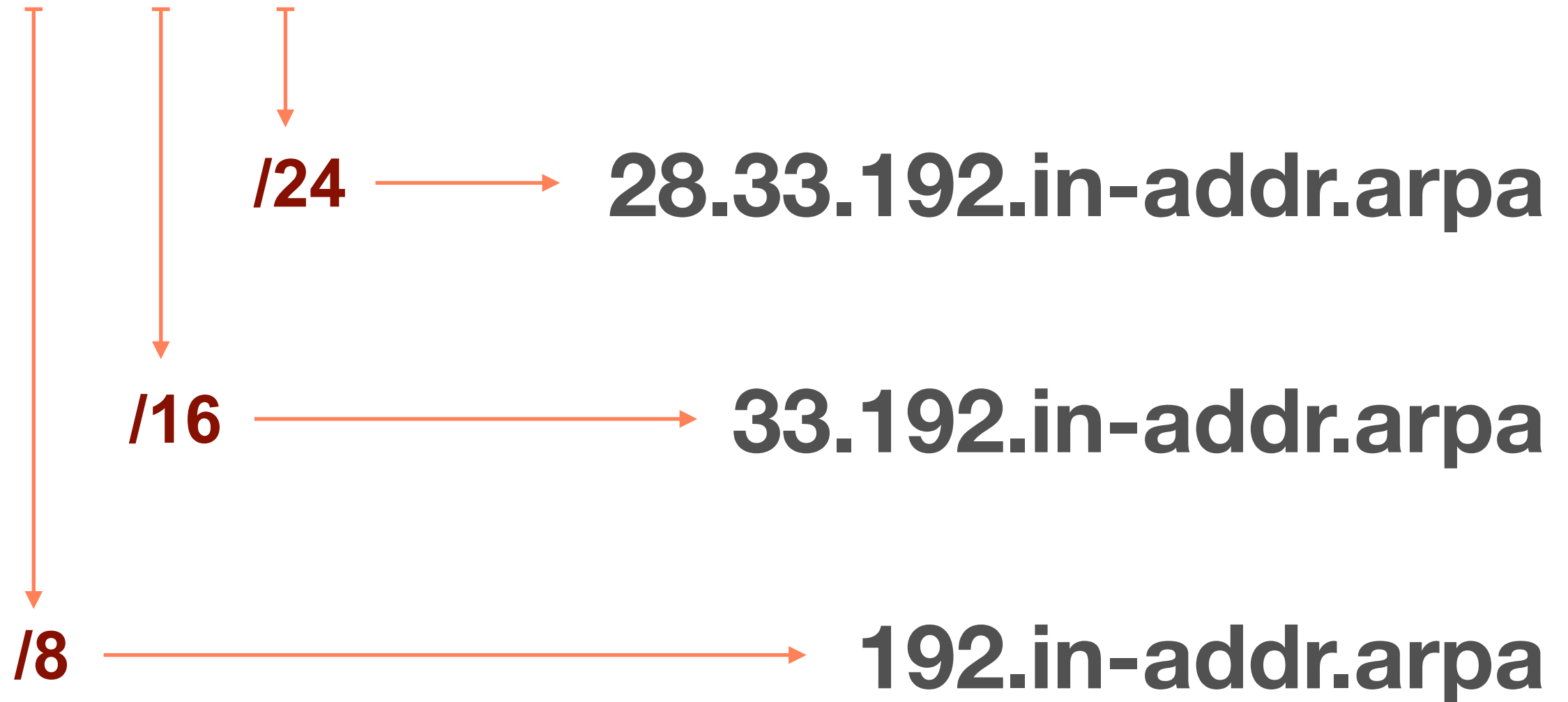
Address Space	
mnt-by:	SOME-BIG-MNT
mnt-lower:	ANOTHER-MNT
mnt-domains:	DNS-ZONE-MNT

mnt-domains allows to delegate creation of domain objects to another maintainer

Reverse DNS for IPv4



192.33.28.0



IPv4 and Domain Objects



IPv4 prefix: 192.33.28.0/24

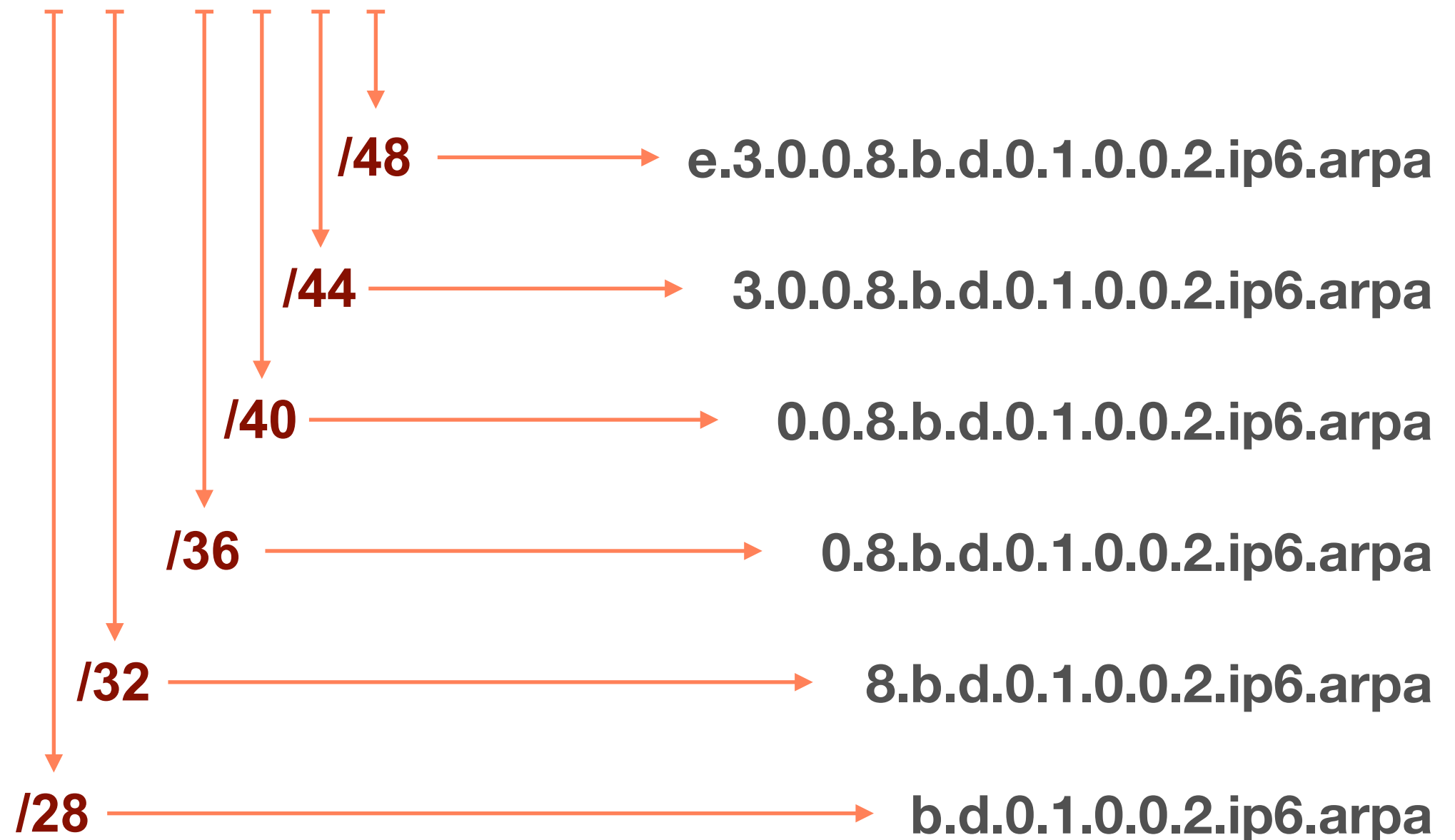
Domain object:

domain:	28.33.192.in-addr.arpa
descr:	rDNS for my IPv4 network
admin-c:	NOC12-RIPE
tech-c:	NOC12-RIPE
zone-c:	NOC12-RIPE
nserver:	pri.example.net
nserver:	sns.company.org
ds-rdata:	45062 8 2 275d9acbf3d3fec11b6d6...
mnt-by:	EXAMPLE-LIR-MNT
created:	2015-01-21T13:52:29Z
last-modified:	2016-02-07T15:09:46Z
source:	RIPE

Reverse DNS for IPv6



2001:0db8:003e:ef11:0000:0000:c100:004d



IPv6 and Domain Objects



IPv6 prefix: 2001:db8::/32

Domain object:

domain:	8.b.d.0.1.0.0.2.ip6.arpa
descr:	rDNS for my IPv6 network
admin-c:	NOC12-RIPE
tech-c:	NOC12-RIPE
zone-c:	NOC12-RIPE
nserver:	pri.example.net
nserver:	sns.company.org
ds-rdata:	45062 8 2 275d9acbf3d3fec11b6d6...
mnt-by:	EXAMPLE-LIR-MNT
created:	2015-01-21T13:52:29Z
last-modified:	2016-02-07T15:09:46Z
source:	RIPE

Create Domain Objects Wizard



Create "domain" objects

Please enter the maintainers you would like to use as mnt-by

EXAMPLE-MNT x

prefix Prefix looks OK

10.155.16.0/22 ?

nserver Server looks OK

tinnie.arin.net ↓ ?

nserver Server looks OK

sec3.apnic.net ↓ ?

Create Domain Objects Wizard



Create "domain" objects

Please enter the maintainers you would like to use as mnt-by

EXAMPLE-MNT x

prefix Prefix looks OK

10.155.16.0/22 ?

nserver Server looks OK

tinnie.arin.net ↓ ?

nserver Server looks OK

sec3.apnic.net ↓ ?

Create Domain Objects Wizard



Create "domain" objects

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sec3.apnic.net ↓ ?

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prefix

10.155.16.0/22 ?

Prefix looks OK

nserver

tinnie.arin.net ↓ ?

Server looks OK

nserver

sec3.apnic.net ↓ ?

Server looks OK

Reverse zones

16.155.10.in-addr.arpa

17.155.10.in-addr.arpa

18.155.10.in-addr.arpa

19.155.10.in-addr.arpa

admin-c

EX9999-RIPE ↓ ?

tech-c

Create Domain Objects Wizard



Create "domain" objects

Please enter the maintainers you would like to use as mnt-by

EXAMPLE-MNT x

prefix

10.155.16.0/22 ?

Prefix looks OK

nserver

tinnie.arin.net ?

Server looks OK

nserver

sec3.apnic.net ?

Server looks OK

Reverse zones

16.155.10.in-addr.arpa

17.155.10.in-addr.arpa

18.155.10.in-addr.arpa

19.155.10.in-addr.arpa

admin-c

EX9999-RIPE ?

tech-c

domain: 16.155.10.in-addr.arpa

domain: 17.155.10.in-addr.arpa

domain: 18.155.10.in-addr.arpa

domain: 19.155.10.in-addr.arpa

mnt-by: EXAMPLE-MNT

nserver: tinnie.arin.net

nserver: sec3.apnic.net



Exercise

How many domain objects?

Calculate How Many Objects



You have the following address space:

- 192.12.32.0/22
- 2a00:38::/29

How many domain objects do you have to create?

- Use the largest block size possible

What are the first and last domain objects for each?

And For The Customer?



What are the two domain objects for Marc Bromski's address space?

IPv4: 10.**xx**.2.0 – 10.**xx**.2.255

IPv6: 2002:ff**xx**:1001::/48

How to query for IPv6?



Which query would you use to find the /32 domain object for the IPv6 allocation 2001:db8::/32?

a) -Md 2001:db8::/32

b) -md 2001:db8::/32

c) -xd 2001:db8::/32





Questions





More RIPE Database

Inverse Lookups, Free Text Search,
Notifications, RIPE Database WG

Looking For References



You want to replace the reference to Jean Blue's **person** object in all the LIR objects with your new LIR **role** object

1. Go to <http://apps-test.db.ripe.net>
2. Search for “**-i person JBXX-TEST**”

What Do You See?



- Which objects are in the query results?
- Where do you see JBXX-TEST?

Inverse Lookups



Finding all objects in which an object is referenced

Inverse Lookups



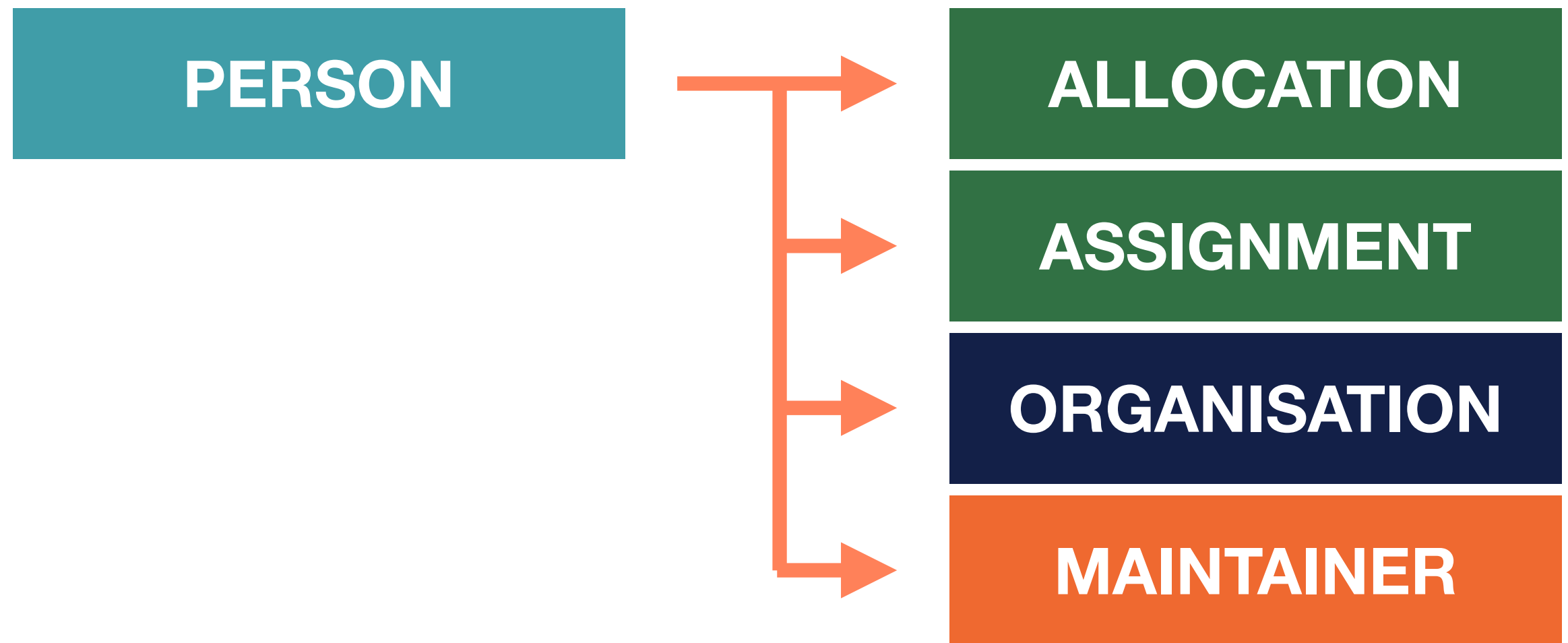
Finding all objects in which an object is referenced

PERSON

Inverse Lookups



Finding all objects in which an object is referenced



Inverse Lookup: admin-c



inet6num: 2001:db8::/32

org: ORG-BB2-RIPE
admin-c: BW280-RIPE
tech-c: JB1-RIPE
mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

aut-num: AS64551

org: ORG-BB2-RIPE
admin-c: **JB1-RIPE** ←
tech-c: TT789-RIPE
mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-END-MNT
mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

mntner: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

admin-c: **JB1-RIPE** ←
tech-c: TT789-RIPE
mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

role: Tech Team

nic-hdl: TT789-RIPE
admin-c: **JB1-RIPE** ←
tech-c: KH404-RIPE
mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

-i admin-c JB1-RIPE

person: Jean Blue

address: Big Street 45
phone: +31 20 345 6854
e-mail: jean.blue@example.net
nic-hdl: JB1-RIPE
mnt-by: BLUE-MNT

Inverse Lookup: person

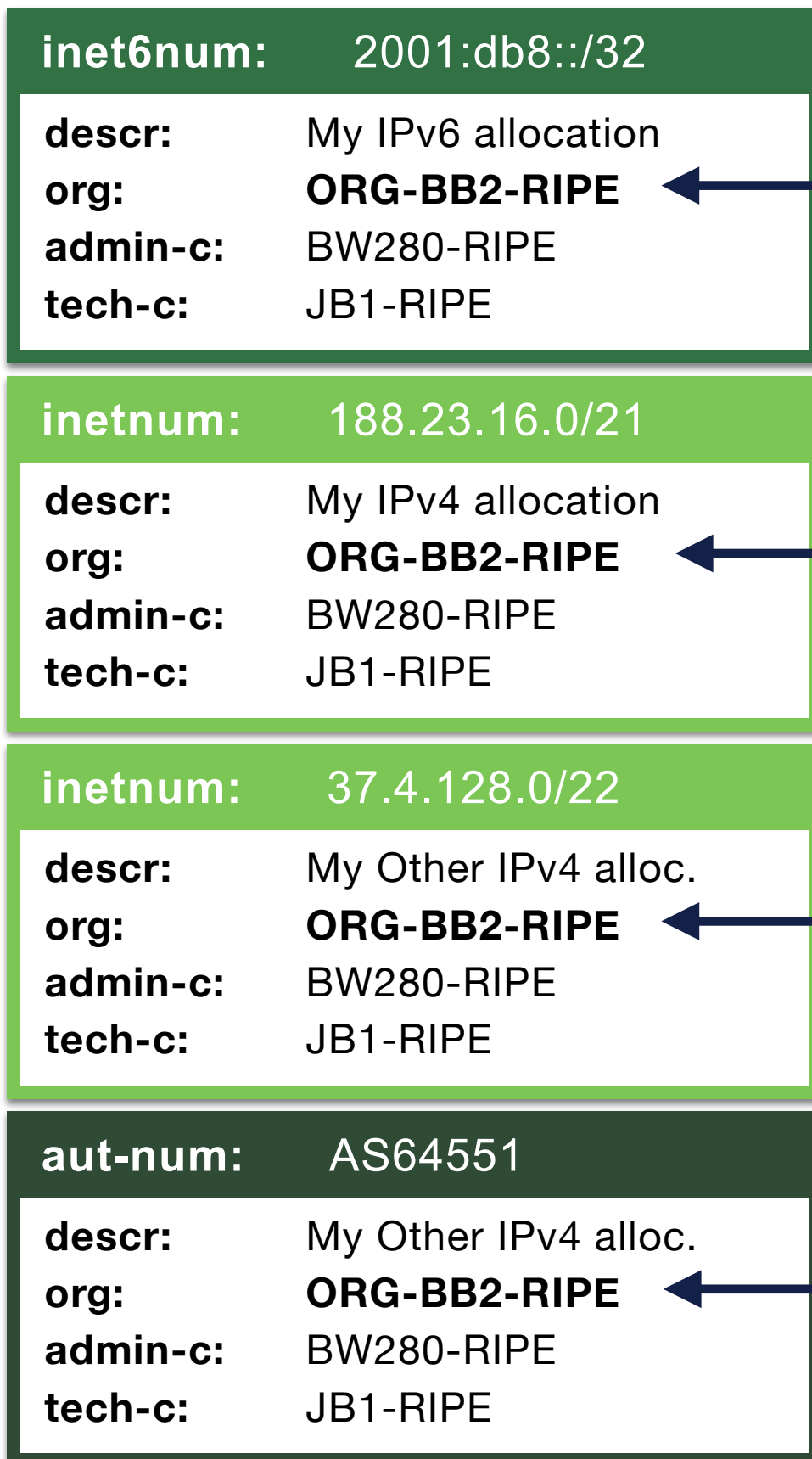


inet6num:	2001:db8::/32
org:	ORG-BB2-RIPE
admin-c:	BW280-RIPE
tech-c:	JB1-RIPE ←
mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
aut-num:	AS64551
org:	ORG-BB2-RIPE
admin-c:	JB1-RIPE ←
tech-c:	TT789-RIPE
mnt-by:	RIPE-NCC-END-MNT
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
mntner:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
admin-c:	JB1-RIPE ←
tech-c:	TT789-RIPE
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT
role:	Tech Team
nic-hdl:	TT789-RIPE
admin-c:	JB1-RIPE ←
tech-c:	KH404-RIPE
mnt-by:	DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

-i person JB1-RIPE

person:	Jean Blue
address:	Big Street 45
phone:	+31 20 345 6854
e-mail:	jean.blue@example.net
nic-hdl:	JB1-RIPE
mnt-by:	BLUE-MNT

Inverse Lookup: organisation



-i org ORG-BB2-RIPE

organisation: ORG-BB2-RIPE

org-name: Internet Company
admin-c: BW280-RIPE
tech-c: JB1-RIPE
abuse-c: ac56-RIPE
mnt-by: DEFAULT-LIR-MNT

Inverse Lookup : mnt-by



inet6num: 2001:db8::/32

org: ORG-BB2-RIPE
admin-c: BW280-RIPE
tech-c: JB1-RIPE
mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-lower: ANOTHER-MNT

aut-num: AS64551

org: ORG-BB2-RIPE
admin-c: JB1-RIPE
tech-c: TT789-RIPE
mnt-by: RIPE-NCC-END-MNT
mnt-by: **ANOTHER-MNT**

person: Jean Blue

nic-hdl: JB1-RIPE
phone: +31 20 543 9640
mnt-by: **ANOTHER-MNT**

role: Other Group

nic-hdl: OG10-RIPE
admin-c: JB1-RIPE
tech-c: SZ72-RIPE
mnt-by: **ANOTHER-MNT**

-i mnt-by ANOTHER-MNT

mntner: ANOTHER-MNT

admin-c: JB1-RIPE
auth: X509
auth: SSO
upd-to: jean.blue@example.net
mnt-by: ANOTHER-MNT

Search For A Word



You want to look for every object that has the word “**uplink**” in any of the attributes

1. Go to <https://apps.db.ripe.net/>
2. Click on the left menu on “**Full Text Search**”
3. Search for “**uplink**”

What Do You See?



- Do you get any objects in the results?
- How many objects do you get?
- Can you see the whole object?


Full Text Search



RIPE Database Text Search

This service allows searches over the full text of the RIPE Database object data.

The search is done on object text without regard for any relationships. Multiple search terms should be separated with a space.

 [Advanced Search](#)

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Search

Search results

This is the RIPE Database full text search service.
The RIPE Database is subject to [Terms and Conditions](#).

Number of results - all object types	15
key-cert	6
person	3
domain	2
mntner	2
inet6num	1
inetnum	1

«

1

2

»

[domain: 201.156.178.IN-ADDR.ARPA](#)
descr=BLUELIGHT , mnt-by=RO-BLUELIGHT

[domain: 200.156.178.IN-ADDR.ARPA](#)
descr=BLUELIGHT , mnt-by=RO-BLUELIGHT

[inet6num: 2a01:4f8:201:31ea::/64](#)
netname=BLUE-LIGHT

Full Text Search - Advanced



Basic Search

☒ All

☐ Any

☐ Exact Match

Search only within the following objects:

as-block

as-set

aut-num

domain

filter-set

inet-rtr

inet6num

inetnum

irt

key-cert

mntner

organisation

peering-set

person

poem

poetic-form

role

route

route-set

route6

rtr-set

Search within the following fields: ?

admin-c

changed

country

created

descr

geoloc

inetnum

language

last-modified

mnt-by

mnt-domains

mnt-irt

mnt-lower

mnt-routes

netname

notify

org

remarks

source

sponsoring-org

status

tech-c

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Search

Mass Updates with Syncupdates



- Update multiple objects in one go
- Objects must be prepared beforehand

(1) Find all the objects you want to modify

- For example, using inverse lookups

The screenshot shows the RIPE Database search interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the placeholder text "Enter a search term" and the word "maintainer". Below the search bar, there are several filter buttons: "Types", "Hierarchy flags", "Inverse lookup (1)", "Advanced filter", "APPLY FILTERS", and "RESET FILTERS". The "Inverse lookup (1)" button is currently selected, and its dropdown menu is open, displaying a list of checkboxes for various object types. The "mnt-by" checkbox is checked. Below the filter menu, the "Search results" section is visible, showing the text "By submitting this form you explicitly express your agreement to [Terms and Conditions](#)". The search results area also displays the text "This is the RIPE Database search service" and a search term "domain: 248.65.185.in-addr.arpa" with a description "descr: ***".

Enter a search term
maintainer

Types ▾ Hierarchy flags ▾ Inverse lookup (1) ▴ Advanced filter ▾ APPLY FILTERS RESET FILTERS

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Search results

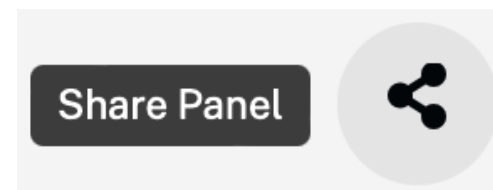
This is the RIPE Database search service

domain: 248.65.185.in-addr.arpa
descr: ***

☐ abuse-c
☐ abuse-mailbox
☐ admin-c
☐ auth
☐ author
☐ fingerpr
☐ form
☐ irt-nfy
☐ local-as
☐ mbrs-by-ref
☐ member-of
☒ mnt-by
☐ mnt-domains
☐ mnt-irt
☐ mnt-lower
☐ mnt-nfy
☐ mnt-ref
☐ mnt-routes
☐ notify
☐ nserver
☐ org
☐ origin
☐ person
☐ ping-hdl
☐ ref-nfy
☐ sponsoring-org
☐ tech-c
☐ upd-to
☐ zone-c



(2) Click on the 'Share Panel' button



(3) Click on the 'Plain Text' option



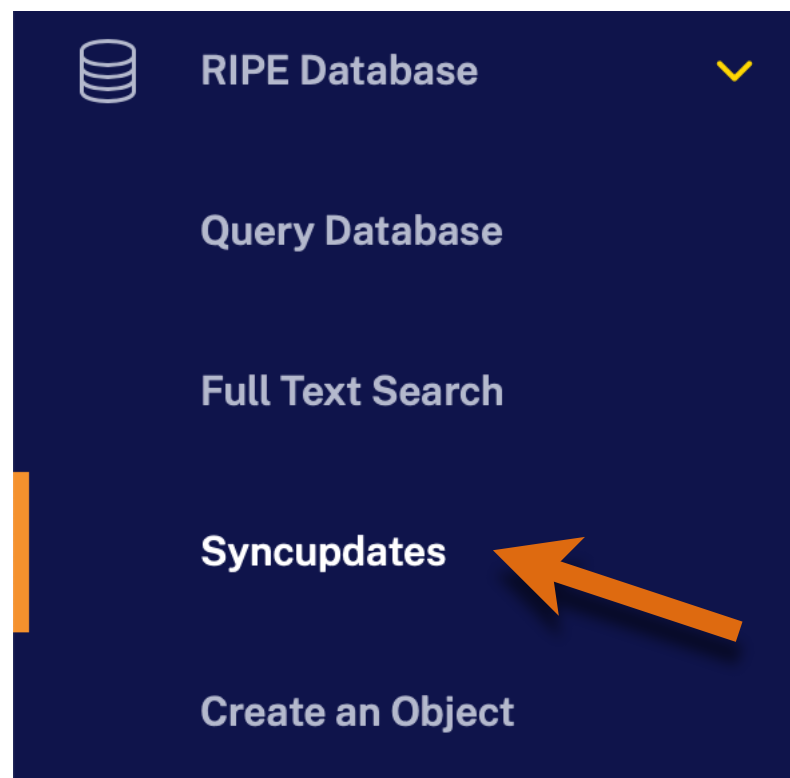
(4) This opens a new browser tab with the objects

```
inetnum:      80.0.44.0 - 80.0.44.255
netname:      ASSIGNMENT-ACTIVITY
country:      NL
admin-c:      JB12-RIPE
tech-c:       JB12-RIPE
status:       ASSIGNED PA
mnt-by:       SANDBOX12-MNT
created:      2023-07-04T09:52:45Z
last-modified: 2023-07-04T09:52:45Z
source:       RIPE

inetnum:      80.0.44.0 - 80.0.47.255
netname:      SANDBOX12-IPv4-ALLOCATION
org:          ORG-SI12-RIPE
country:      EU
admin-c:      JB12-RIPE
tech-c:       JB12-RIPE
status:       ALLOCATED PA
mnt-by:       RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:       SANDBOX12-MNT
created:      2013-12-10T16:54:20Z
last-modified: 2013-12-10T16:54:20Z
source:       RIPE
```



- (5) Copy/paste the objects to a text editor
- (6) Update them as needed
- (7) Click on **Syncupdates**





(8) Copy/paste the objects into **Syncupdates**

Syncupdates

This form allows an advanced user to paste one or more objects into the text area, and perform a whois update.

Object Data

```
inetnum:      80.0.44.0 - 80.0.44.255
netname:      ASSIGNMENT-ACTIVITY
country:      NL
admin-c:      JB12-RIPE
tech-c:       JB12-RIPE
status:       ASSIGNED PA
mnt-by:       SANDBOX12-MNT
created:      2023-07-04T09:52:45Z
last-modified: 2023-07-04T09:52:45Z
source:       RIPE

inetnum:      80.0.44.0 - 80.0.47.255
netname:      SANDBOX12-IPv4-ALLOCATION
org:          ORG-SI12-RIPE
country:      EU
admin-c:      JB12-RIPE
tech-c:       JB12-RIPE
status:       ALLOCATED PA
mnt-by:       RIPE-NCC-HM-MNT
mnt-by:       SANDBOX12-MNT
created:      2013-12-10T16:54:20Z
```

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UPDATE

(9) Click on the **[Update]** button



(10) Syncupdates will process the objects and report

- From-Host: 2001:67c:2e8:9::c100:14e6
- Date/Time: Tue Jul 4 14:47:49 2023Z

SUMMARY OF UPDATE:

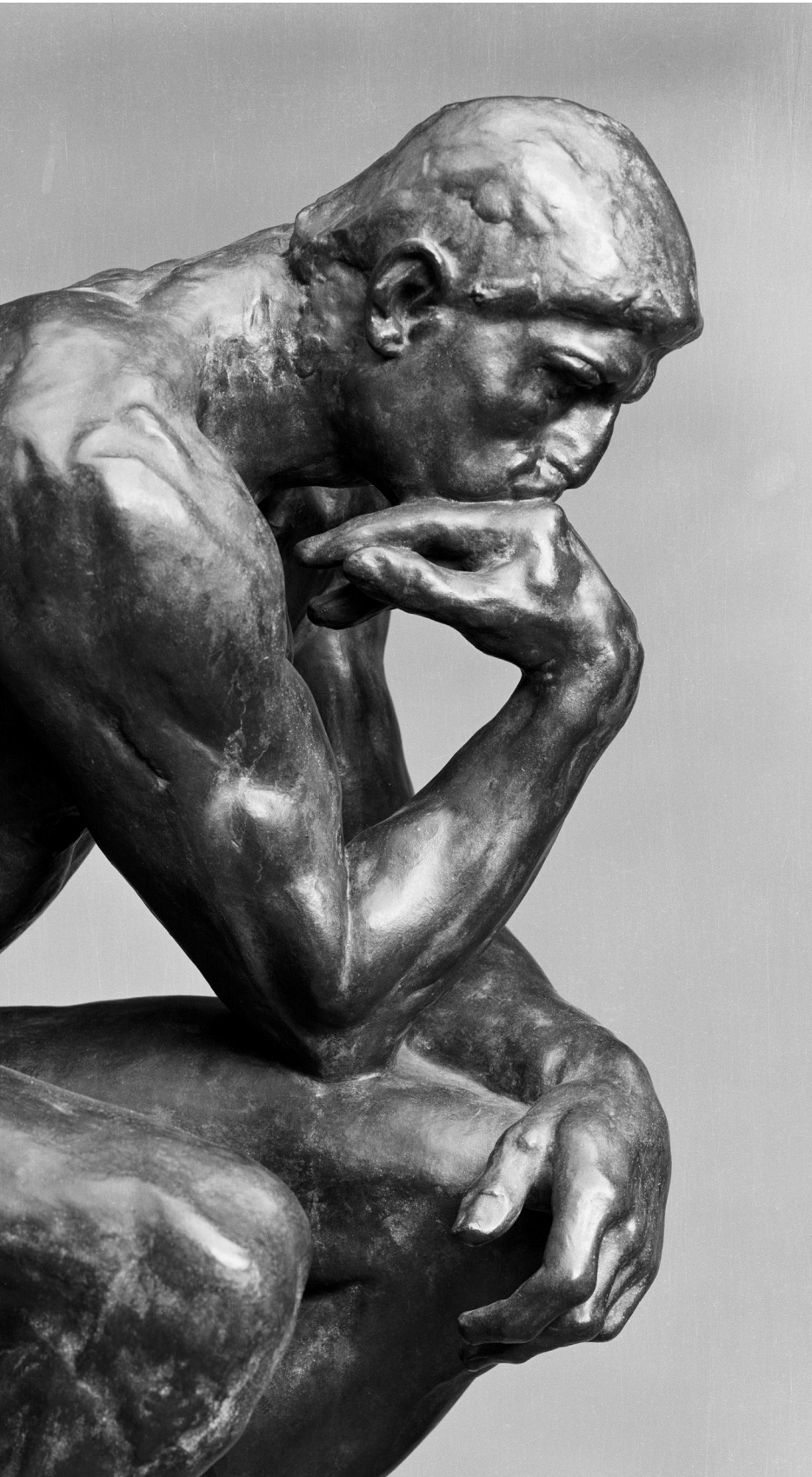
```
Number of objects found:                2
Number of objects processed successfully: 2
  Create:                0
  Modify:                2
  Delete:                0
  No Operation:         0
Number of objects processed with errors: 0
  Create:                0
  Modify:                0
  Delete:                0
```

DETAILED EXPLANATION:

```
~~~~~
The following object(s) were processed SUCCESSFULLY:
```

```
---
Modify SUCCEEDED: [inetnum] 80.0.44.0 - 80.0.44.255
```

Think About This...



- The RIPE Database is a **public** database
- **Anybody** can search in the database
- **Who** can make updates?
- How can you **know** if somebody updates your objects?

Notifications: “notify:”



The RIPE Database has several ways to trigger notifications about updates

- “**notify:**” attribute
 - Can be used on any object
 - An email is sent when the object is updated

Person

notify: email@example.com

IP Address Block

notify: noc-team@example.com

LIR Organisation

notify: admin@example.com

Notifications: Maintainers



Maintainers have special attributes

mntner: LIR-MNT

upd-to: db-alerts@example.com

mnt-nfy: db-success@example.com

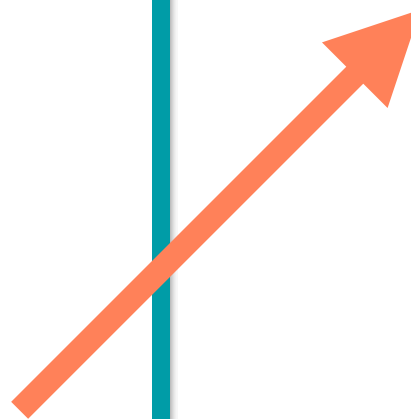
- “**upd-to:**”
 - For **failed** attempts to update objects
- “**mnt-nfy:**”
 - For **successful** attempts to update objects

Avoid Unauthorised Referencing



- Anybody can reference person / role objects
- To protect from unauthorised references: **mnt-ref**
- Point to a maintainer that will authorise the reference to the object

person:	John Doe
address:	My Street 9876
phone:	+31 20 876 5432
e-mail:	johndoe@email.net
nic-hdl:	JD963-RIPE
mnt-by:	PERSONAL-MNT
mnt-ref:	PERSONAL-MNT

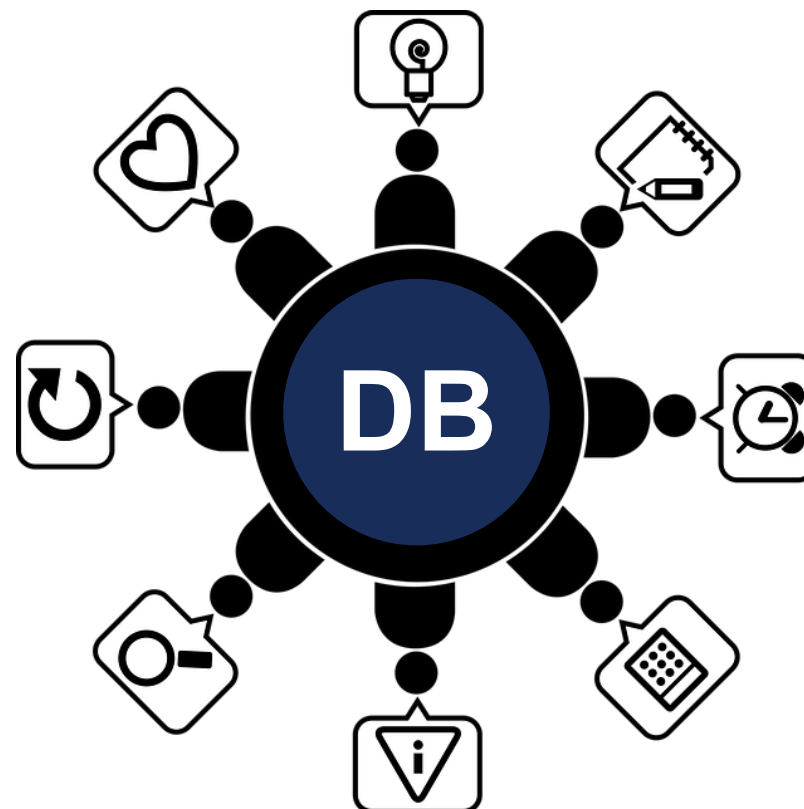


mntner:	PERSONAL-MNT
admin-c:	JD963-RIPE
descr:	My maintainer
auth:	SSO jean@example.net
mnt-by:	PERSONAL-MNT

RIPE Database Working Group



- Influence the development of the RIPE Database software and operations
- Participate in the Database WG discussions!
- <https://www.ripe.net/participate/ripe/wg/db>



More RIPE Database Resources



- The RIPE Database page on ripe.net
 - <https://apps.db.ripe.net/docs/>
- Other RIPE Database query methods
 - <https://apps.db.ripe.net/docs/How-to-Query-the-RIPE-Database/>



Questions





Play Time!

Practice What You Learned

Choose Your Own Adventure



- From the **Play Time!** list of tasks, choose what you would like to practice
- Review the course slides and your own notes
- Ask the trainers or other participants to assist, if you need help





Beyond The Database

The RESTful API

Problem Statement

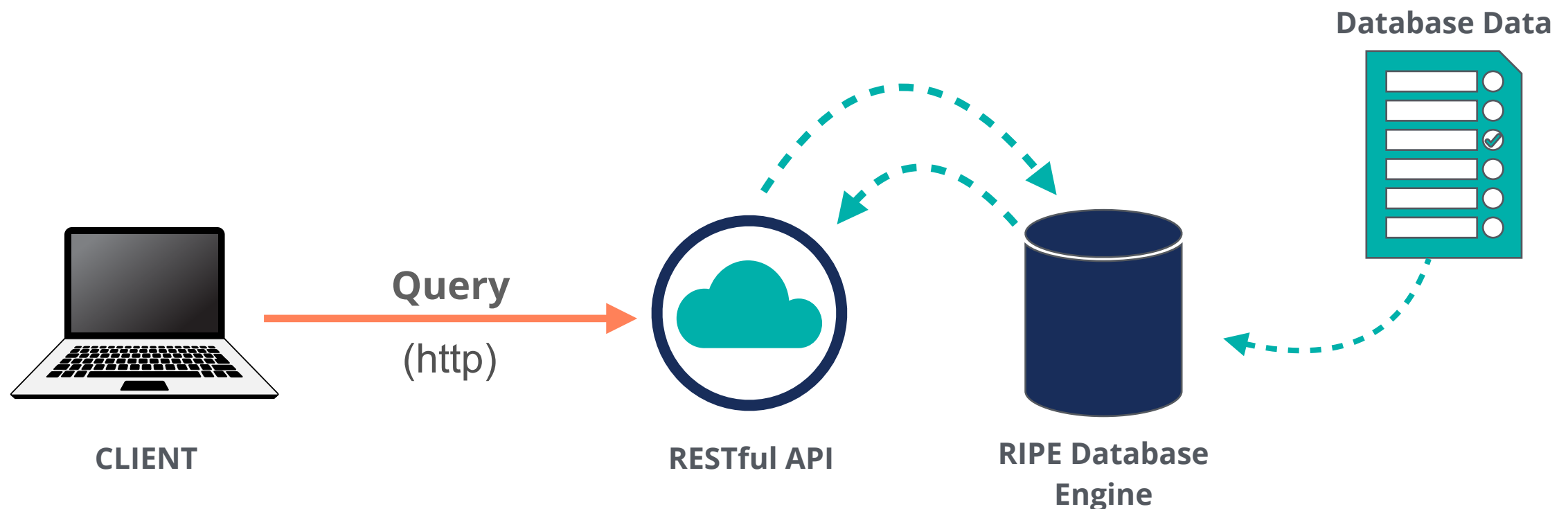


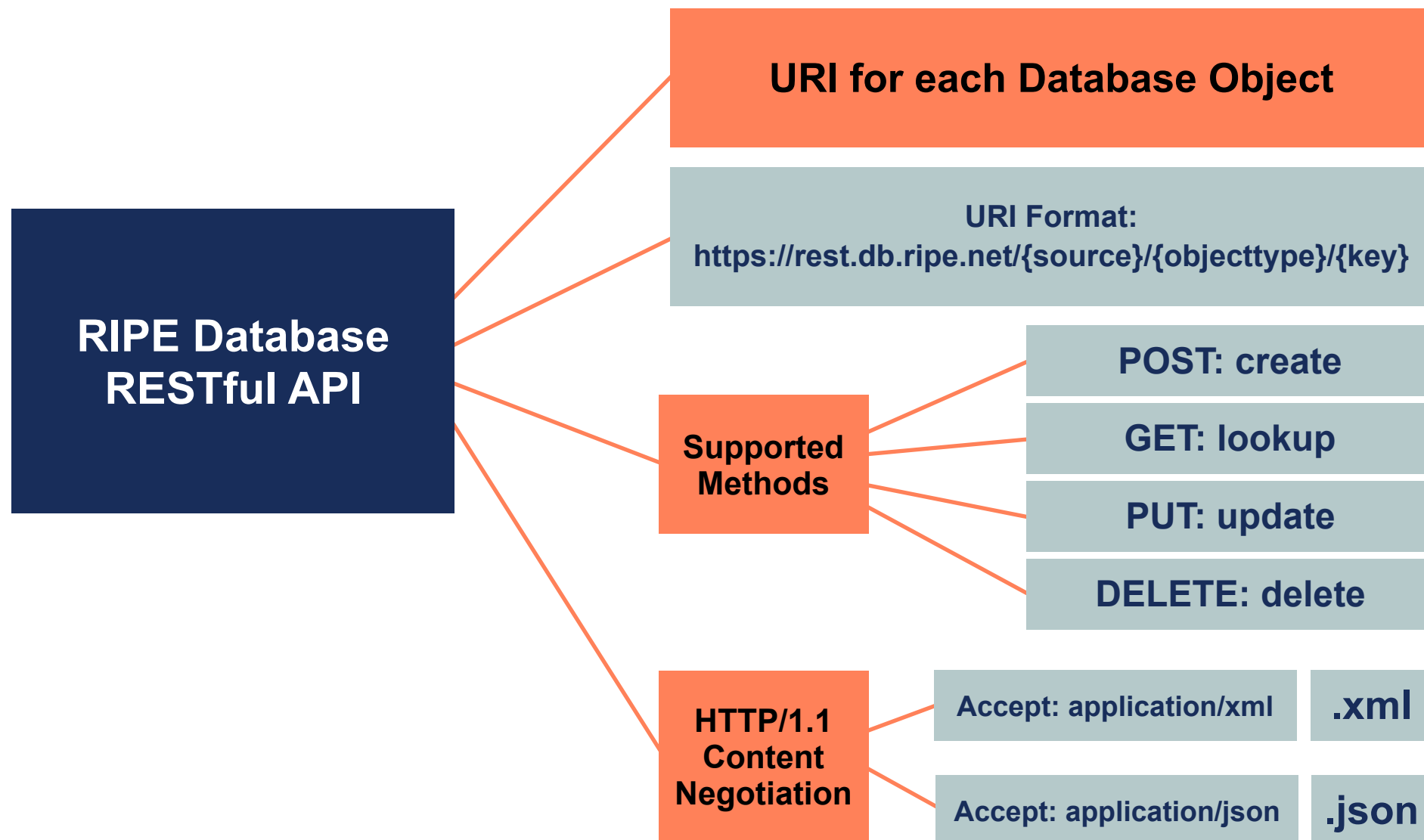
- Your company has a provisioning software that **assigns** address blocks to customers from a pool
- The RIPE policies require you to **register** these blocks with contact data in the RIPE Database
- Can you **save time** by letting the software create the required objects in the RIPE Database?

RIPE Database RESTful API



- Allows **REST-compliant** systems to access the RIPE Database
- Data is exchanged in **XML** or **JSON** format
- Standard **query limits** apply

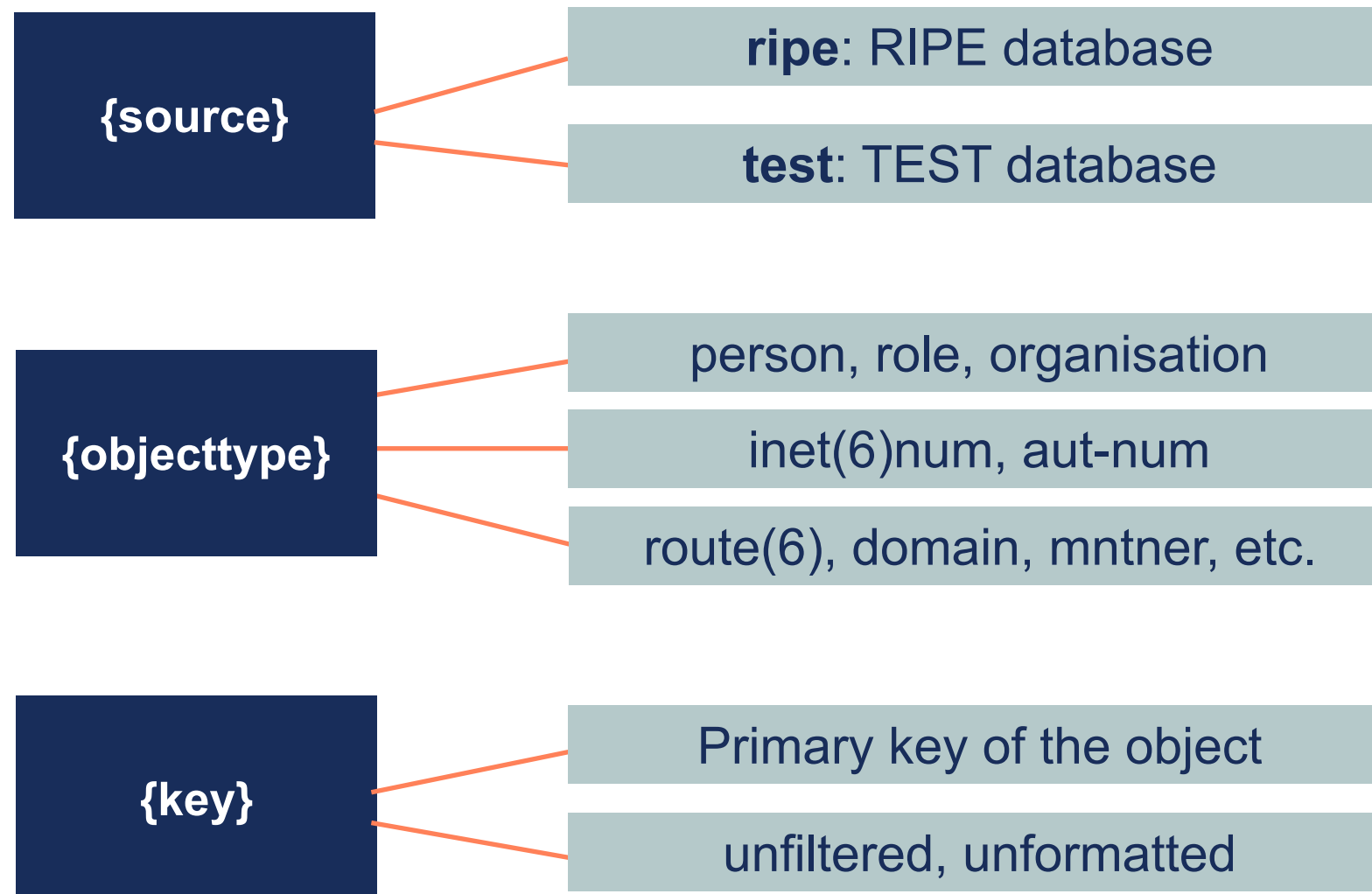






URI Format:

`https://rest.db.ripe.net/{source}/{objecttype}/{key}`



HTTP Status Codes



Bad Request (400)	The service is unable to understand and process the request.
Forbidden (403)	Query limit exceeded.
Not Found (404)	No results were found (on a search request), or object specified in URI does not exist.
Conflict (409)	Integrity constraint was violated (e.g. when creating, object already exists).
Internal Server Error (500)	The server encountered an unexpected condition which prevented it from fulfilling the request.

Method: GET



`http(s)://rest.db.ripe.net/{source}/{objectType}/{key}`



200 Object found

400 Bad request

404 No valid object



Examples

```
curl 'http://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/mntner/RIPE-DBM-MNT'
```

```
curl -H 'Accept: application/json' 'http://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/mntner/RIPE-DBM-MNT'
```

```
curl 'http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/person/AA1-TEST?unfiltered'
```

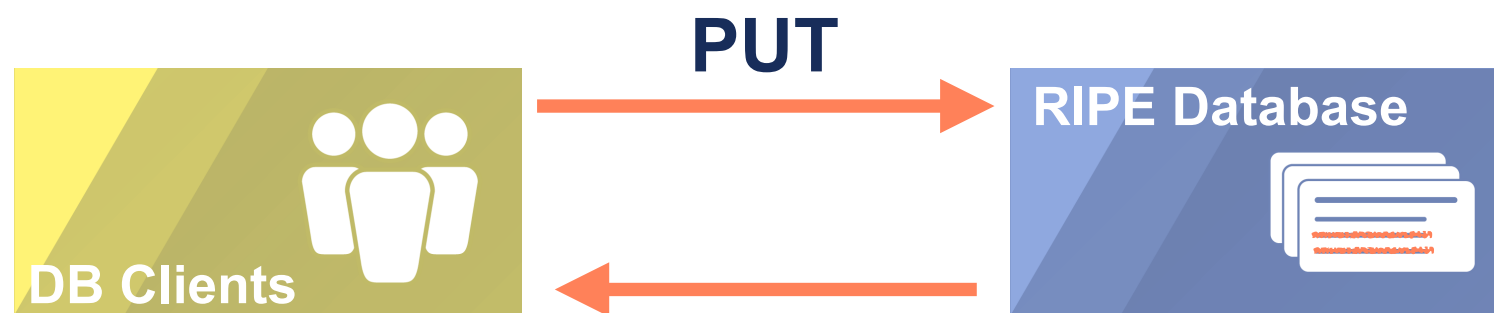
```
curl 'http://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/inetnum/193.0.0.0%20-%20193.0.7.255.json'
```

```
curl -H 'Accept: text/plain' 'http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/person/JB1-TEST?unfiltered'
```

Method: PUT



`https://rest.db.ripe.net/{source}/{objectType}/{key}?password={password}...`



200 **Successful update**

400 Bad request: incorrect object type or key

401 Incorrect password

404 Object not found



Examples

```
curl -X PUT -H 'Content-Type: application/xml' --data @form.txt 'https://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/person/PP1-RIPE?password=...'
```

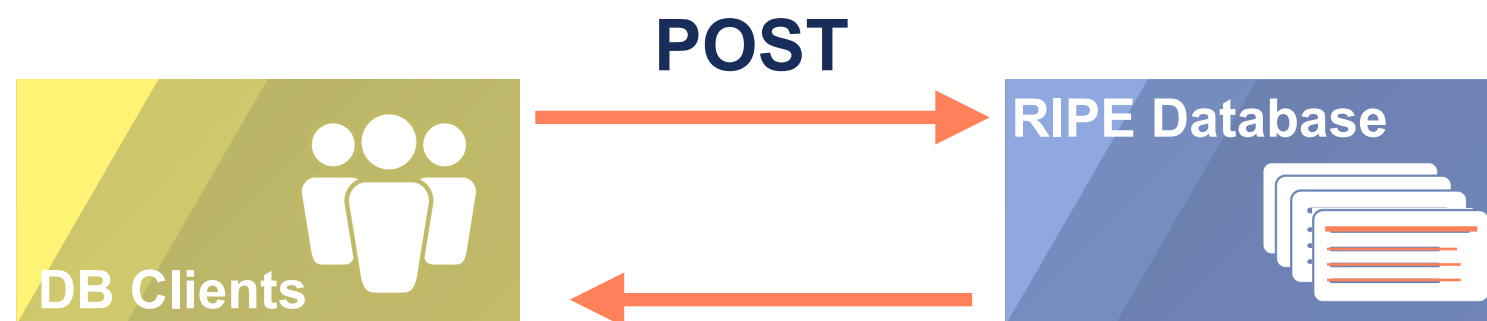
```
curl -X PUT -H 'Content-Type: application/json' -H 'Accept:application/json' --data @form.txt 'https://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/person/PP1-RIPE?password=...'
```

```
curl -X PUT --data @form.txt 'https://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/person/TP1-RIPE?dry-run&password=...'
```

Method: POST



`https://rest.db.ripe.net/{source}/{objectType}?password={password}...`



200 **Success (object created)**

400 Bad request

401 Incorrect password

409 Object already exists



Examples

```
curl -X POST -H 'Content-Type: application/xml' --data @form.txt 'https://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/person?password=...'
```

```
curl -X POST -H 'Content-Type: application/json' -H 'Accept: application/json' --data @form.txt 'https://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/person?password=...'
```

```
curl -X POST --data @form.txt 'https://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/person?dry-run&password=...'
```

Method: DELETE



<https://rest.db.ripe.net/{source}/{objectType}/{key}?password={password}...&reason={reason}>



200 **Successful delete**

400 Bad request: invalid object type or key

401 Incorrect password

404 Object not found



Example

```
curl -X DELETE 'https://rest.db.ripe.net/ripe/person/pp1-ripe?password=123'
```

Additional Services



Search	RIPE database whois search service
Metadata	List available sources Object type template
Geolocation	Geolocation and language attributes for IPv4/IPv6 Address
Abuse Contact	Lookup abuse contact for Internet Resource



Examples

```
curl -H 'Accept: application/json' 'http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/search?source=test&query-string=tp19-test'
```

```
curl http://rest.db.ripe.net/metadata/templates/person.xml
```

```
curl http://rest.db.ripe.net/abuse-contact/AS3333
```

```
curl https://rest.db.ripe.net/geolocation?ipkey=10.0.0.0
```

References



- RESTful API documentation:

<https://apps.db.ripe.net/docs/How-to-Query-the-RIPE-Database/RESTful-API-Queries/>

- REST API Data model:

<https://apps.db.ripe.net/docs/RIPE-Database-Structure/REST-API-Data-model/>



Doing it for real!

Demo

Create an inet6num object



TEST Database	Location: rest-test.db.ripe.net Source: test
Object Type	Type: inet6num (ASSIGNED)
Key	Key: 2001:ff29:1234::/48
Format	XML

Query and Fail



```
curl 'http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/inet6num/2001:ff29:1234::/48'
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="yes"?>
<whois-resources xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink">
  <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-
test.db.ripe.net/test/inet6num/2001:ff29:1234::/48"/>
  <errormessages>
    <errormessage severity="Error" text="ERROR:101: no entries
found&#xA;&#xA;No entries found in source %s.&#xA;">
      <args value="TEST"/>
    </errormessage>
  </errormessages>
  <terms-and-conditions xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://
www.ripe.net/db/support/db-terms-conditions.pdf"/>
</whois-resources>
```

XML Template



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" standalone="no" ?>
<whois-resources>
  <objects>
    <object type="inet6num">
      <source id="ripe"/>
      <attributes>
        <attribute name="inet6num" value="2001:ff29:1234::/48"/>
        <attribute name="netname" value="MyNewNET"/>
        <attribute name="country" value="NL"/>
        <attribute name="admin-c" value="TP29-TEST"/>
        <attribute name="tech-c" value="TP29-TEST"/>
        <attribute name="status" value="ASSIGNED"/>
        <attribute name="mnt-by" value="CM29-MNT"/>
        <attribute name="source" value="TEST"/>
      </attributes>
    </object>
  </objects>
</whois-resources>
```


Create inet6num Object



```
curl -X POST -H 'Content-Type: application/xml' --data @form-create.txt  
'https://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/inet6num?password=secret29'
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>  
<whois-resources xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink">  
  <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/inet6num"/>  
  <objects>  
    <object type="inet6num">  
      <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/inet6num/2001:ff29:1234::/48"/>  
      <source id="test"/>  
      <primary-key>  
        <attribute name="inet6num" value="2001:ff29:1234::/48"/>  
      </primary-key>  
      <attributes>  
        <attribute name="inet6num" value="2001:ff29:1234::/48"/>  
        <attribute name="netname" value="MyNewNET"/>  
        <attribute name="country" value="NL"/>  
        <attribute name="admin-c" value="TP29-TEST" referenced-type="person">  
          <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/person/TP29-TEST"/>  
        </attribute>  
        <attribute name="tech-c" value="TP29-TEST" referenced-type="person">  
          <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/person/TP29-TEST"/>  
        </attribute>  
        <attribute name="status" value="ASSIGNED"/>  
        <attribute name="mnt-by" value="CM29-MNT" referenced-type="mntner">  
          <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/mntner/CM29-MNT"/>  
        </attribute>  
        <attribute name="created" value="2019-02-08T11:16:16Z"/>  
        <attribute name="last-modified" value="2019-02-08T11:16:16Z"/>  
        <attribute name="source" value="TEST"/>  
      </attributes>  
    </object>  
  </objects>  
  <terms-and-conditions xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://www.ripe.net/db/support/db-terms-conditions.pdf"/>  
</whois-resources>
```

Query and Succeed!



```
curl 'http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/inet6num/2001:ff29:1234::/48'
```

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<whois-resources xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/1999/xlink">
<objects>
<object type="inet6num">
  <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/inet6num/2001:ff29:1234::/48"/>
  <source id="test"/>
  <primary-key>
    <attribute name="inet6num" value="2001:ff29:1234::/48"/>
  </primary-key>
  <attributes>
    <attribute name="inet6num" value="2001:ff29:1234::/48"/>
    <attribute name="netname" value="MyNewNET"/>
    <attribute name="country" value="NL"/>
    <attribute name="admin-c" value="TP29-TEST" referenced-type="person">
      <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/person/TP29-TEST"/>
    </attribute>
    <attribute name="tech-c" value="TP29-TEST" referenced-type="person">
      <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/person/TP29-TEST"/>
    </attribute>
    <attribute name="status" value="ASSIGNED"/>
    <attribute name="mnt-by" value="CM29-MNT" referenced-type="mntner">
      <link xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://rest-test.db.ripe.net/test/mntner/CM29-MNT"/>
    </attribute>
    <attribute name="created" value="2019-02-08T11:16:16Z"/>
    <attribute name="last-modified" value="2019-02-08T11:16:16Z"/>
    <attribute name="source" value="TEST"/>
  </attributes>
</object>
</objects>
<terms-and-conditions xlink:type="locator" xlink:href="http://www.ripe.net/db/support/db-terms-conditions.pdf"/>
</whois-resources>
```



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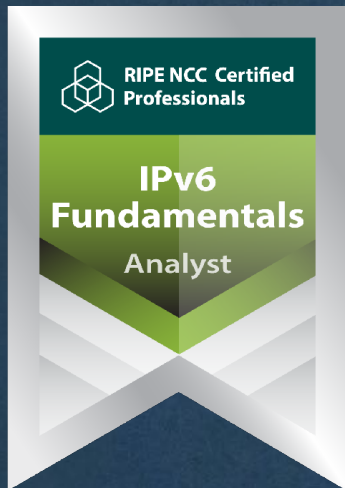


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