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build an internet backbone with pure 1he servers and Linux

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What is Freifunk and what does the FFRL?

Research in free wifi and mesh networks

Empower people to build free and open infrastructures

Organization of regional, national and international meetings and conferences

provide IP transit for most Freifunk communities in Germany

Access to the internet for socially disadvantaged people

Bring the Internet to _all_ people

Free wifi for refugees

a government task but the Freifunk community fixed it

Communication with family and friends

Access to education and information in a foreign country

Use your money for food and family and not for prepaid internet dealers

There is no dsl/fiber in a refugee camp

Build internet into the wild is hard...

There is no business model -> we need donations

Bring volunteers and professionals together

many technical challenges to build wifi with mesh networks for the mass

Freifunk communities accepted the challenge

Build free internet for many thousands of people in Germany

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VPN providers don’t scale

only for a single user

mostly OpenVPN -> userspace daemon, single threaded

you have to pay per user every month

abuse is a problem, it’s not your own network

-> run your own fucking infrastructure (*is hard*)

DIY ISP

Problems:

- No Budget
- No Number Ressources
- No Hardware
- No Colo
- No Transit
- No Peering

How it began

First idea in November 2013

Freifunk Rheinland e.V. became a LIR in August 2014

First Deployments in September 2014

First deployment

Weekend in September 2014:
Frankfurt (Interxion):
2x Supermicro, Xeon 5405, 4GB RAM, 4x SAS HDD RAID-1
Arch Linux, Quagga
2x 1Gbit/s Transit from a friends former employer
Berlin (Speedbone):
2x HP DL320 Gen8, Xeon E3-1220, 8GB RAM, SD Card
Arch Linux, Quagga
2x 1Gbit/s Transit from IN-Berlin AS29670

Deployment #2

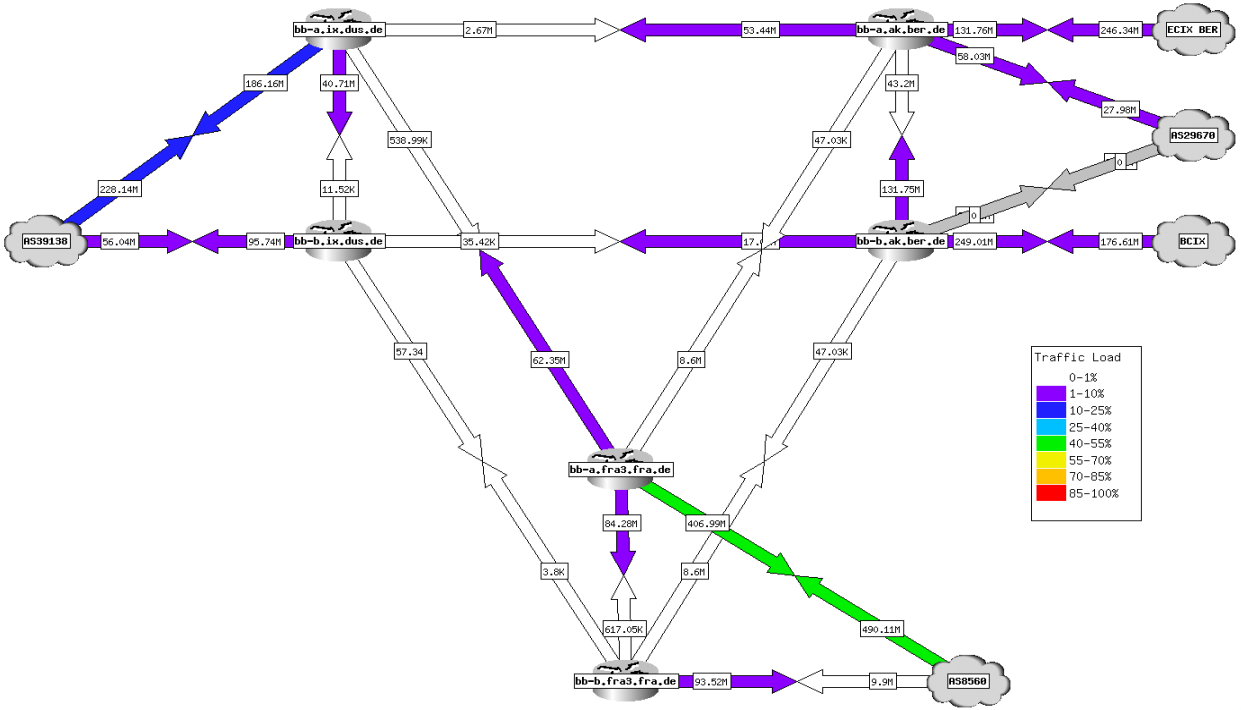
Düsseldorf (Interxion):

2x HP DL320 Gen8, Xeon E3-1220, 8GB RAM, SD Card

Arch Linux, Quagga

2x 1Gbit/s Transit from rrbone AS39138

End of 2014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8.6M
617.05K
490.11M
93.52M
9.9M
Traffic Load
0-1%
1-10%
10-25%
25-40%
40-55%
55-70%
70-85%
85-100%

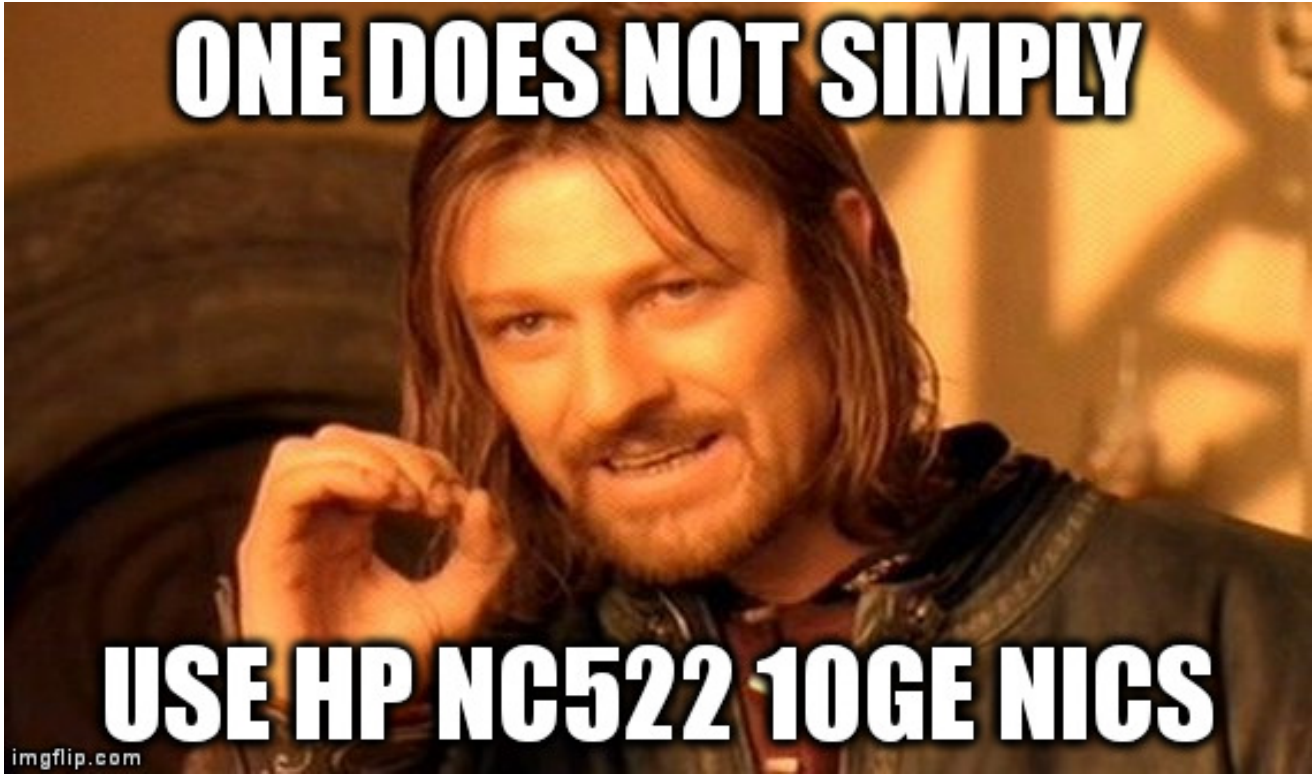
Problems in Q1/2015

Inter-POP connectivity = GRE
1G circuits are not big pipes
Transit is nice but we'd ❤ to peer
XCONs limited or impossible in some of our locations
Quagga sucks
Arch sucks (at least for our usecase)

Solutions (not in chronological order)

Move FRA POP to another location
Move DUS POP to another location
BCIX sponsored 10G port in BER
ECIX sponsored 10G ports in FRA, DUS, BER, HAM (used by Freifunk Hamburg)
ECIX sponsored 1G L2VPN between all Sites
NLix sponsored 1G ports in FRA, DUS, BER
Somehow we are on DECIX FRA (10G)
Community-IX in Berlin emerged (10G)
Replaced Quagga with BIRD
Replaced Arch with Debian
Replaced Debian Kernel with CentOS Kernel

First approach to 10GE (HP NetXen)



Mellanox ConnectX on Kernel 4.2

```
for interface in `awk -F: '/eth/ {print $1}' /proc/net/dev`; do
        /sbin/ethtool -K $interface tx off
        /sbin/ethtool -K $interface gro off
        /sbin/ethtool -K $interface gso off
        /sbin/ethtool -K $interface tso off
        /sbin/ethtool -K $interface sg off
done;
```

Result

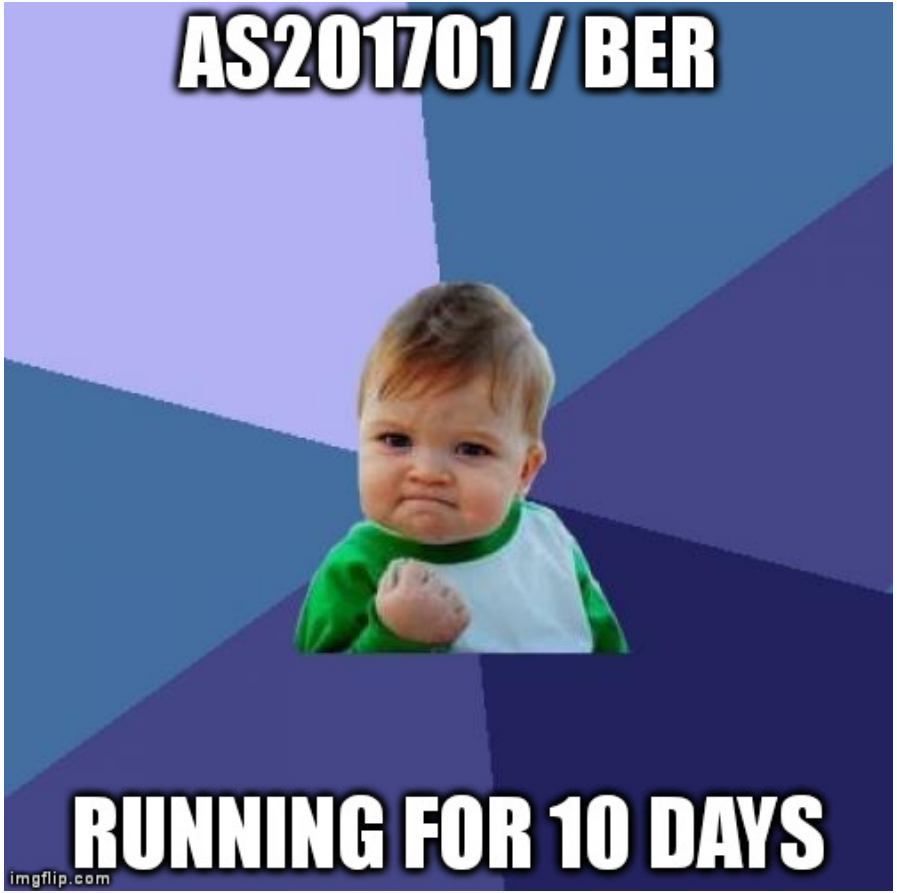
iLO Integrated Remote Console - Server: bb-a.ak.ber.de.ffrl.de | iLO: ilo-bb-a-ak-ber-de.ffrl.de

Power Switch Virtual Drives Keyboard

```
[ 1282.133125]  [<ffffffff8147c351>] ? napi_gro_frags+0xa1/0x1e0
[ 1282.133152]  [<ffffffffa023d5a7>] ? mlx4_en_process_rx_cq+0x827/0xc20 [mlx4_e
n]
[ 1282.133187]  [<ffffffff8101d285>] ? read_tsc+0x5/0x10
[ 1282.133211]  [<ffffffffa023da86>] ? mlx4_en_poll_rx_cq+0x86/0x150 [mlx4_en]
[ 1282.133235]  [<ffffffff8147be22>] ? net_rx_action+0x212/0x340
[ 1282.133258]  [<ffffffff810772fa>] ? __do_softirq+0x11a/0x290
[ 1282.133281]  [<ffffffff810775e5>] ? irq_exit+0x95/0xa0
[ 1282.133303]  [<ffffffff8157bf9f>] ? do_IRQ+0x4f/0xe0
[ 1282.133325]  [<ffffffff81579e2e>] ? common_interrupt+0x6e/0x6e
[ 1282.133347]  <EOI>
[ 1282.133353]  [<ffffffff810d73a7>] ? get_next_timer_interrupt+0x1d7/0x250
[ 1282.133392]  [<ffffffff8144571d>] ? cpuidle_enter_state+0xad/0x200
[ 1282.133415]  [<ffffffff814456ec>] ? cpuidle_enter_state+0x7c/0x200
[ 1282.133438]  [<ffffffff810b262b>] ? cpu_startup_entry+0x3ab/0x430
[ 1282.133462]  [<ffffffff81928f54>] ? start_kernel+0x479/0x484
[ 1282.133484]  [<ffffffff81928120>] ? early_idt_handler_array+0x120/0x120
[ 1282.133507]  [<ffffffff81928120>] ? early_idt_handler_array+0x120/0x120
[ 1282.133530]  [<ffffffff81928605>] ? x86_64_start_kernel+0x148/0x157
[ 1282.133552] Code: c2 0f 83 91 01 00 00 44 8b 04 24 89 2c 24 8b 6c 24 18 4c 89
 64 24 40 4c 8b 54 24 20 4c 8b 5c 24 70 44 8b 64 24 28 41 39 ef 7c 3c <41> 8b 82
 84 00 00 00 41 39 82 80 00 00 00 0f 85 60 04 00 00 45
[ 1282.133833] RIP  [<ffffffff8146d0f4>] skb_segment+0x394/0xa50
[ 1282.133858]  RSP <ffff880202203748>
[ 1282.133877] CR2: 0000000000000084
[ 1282.134264] ---[ end trace ddff426a7f9c9889 ]---
[ 1282.134332] Kernel panic - not syncing: Fatal exception in interrupt
[ 1282.134442] Kernel Offset: disabled
[ 1282.134509] ---[ end Kernel panic - not syncing: Fatal exception in interrupt
```

Solution: Downgrade

takt@bb-a.ix.dus.de.ffrl.de ~ % uname -a
Linux bb-a.ix.dus.de.ffrl.de 3.10.0-229.14.1.el7.x86_64 #1 SMP Tue Sep 15 15:05:51 UTC 2015 x86_64 GNU/Linux
takt@bb-a.ix.dus.de.ffrl.de ~ % cat /etc/debian_version
8.5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Quagga at work

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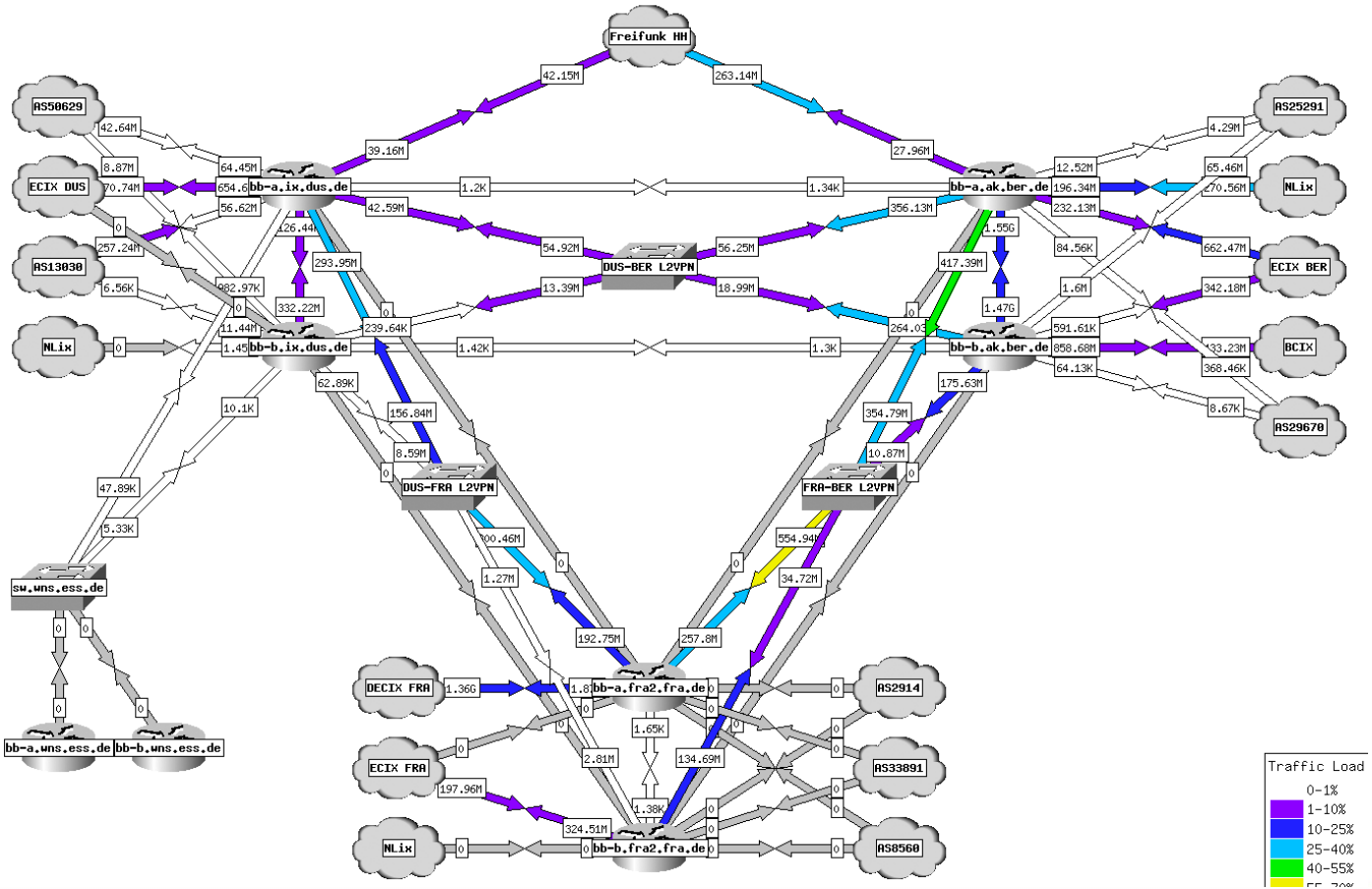

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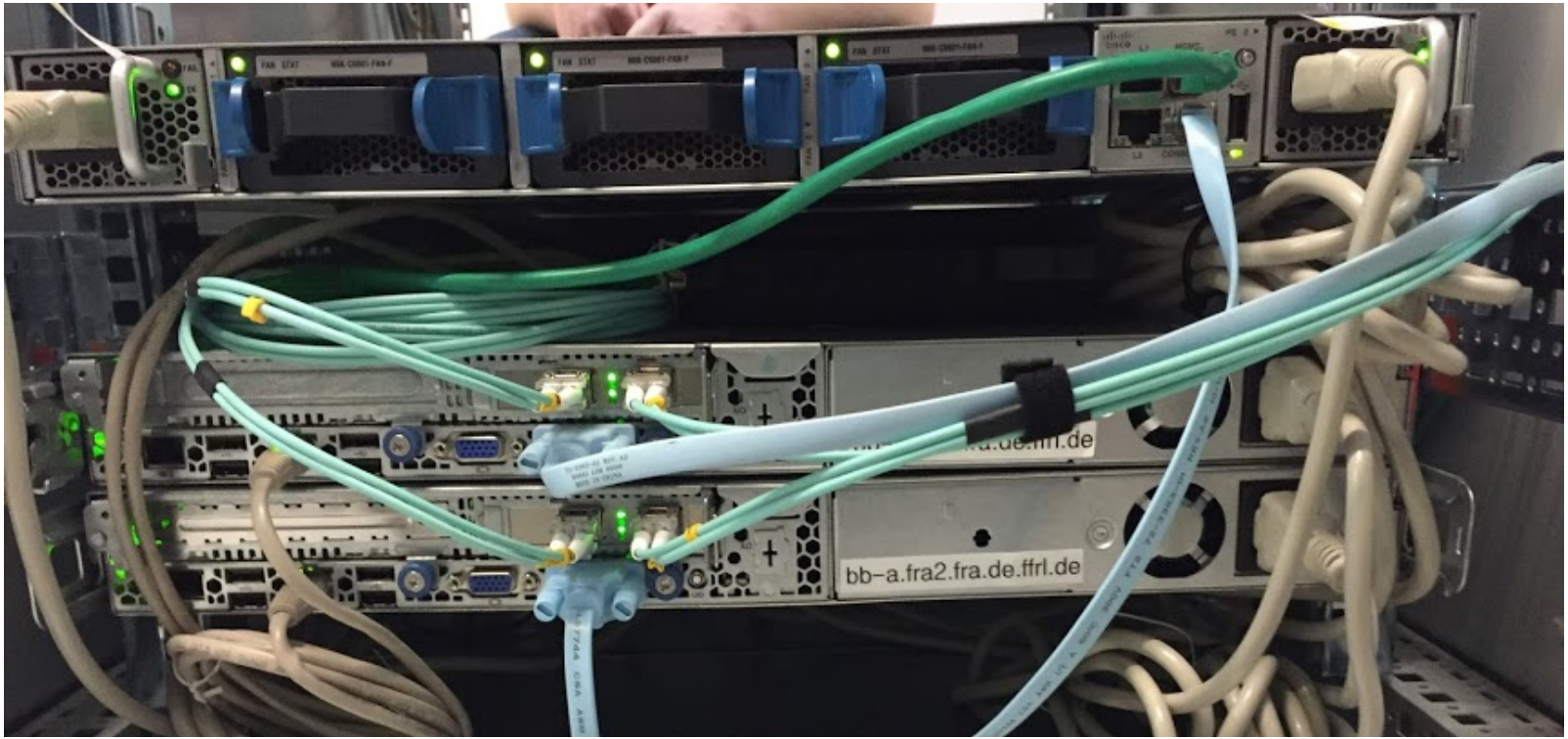

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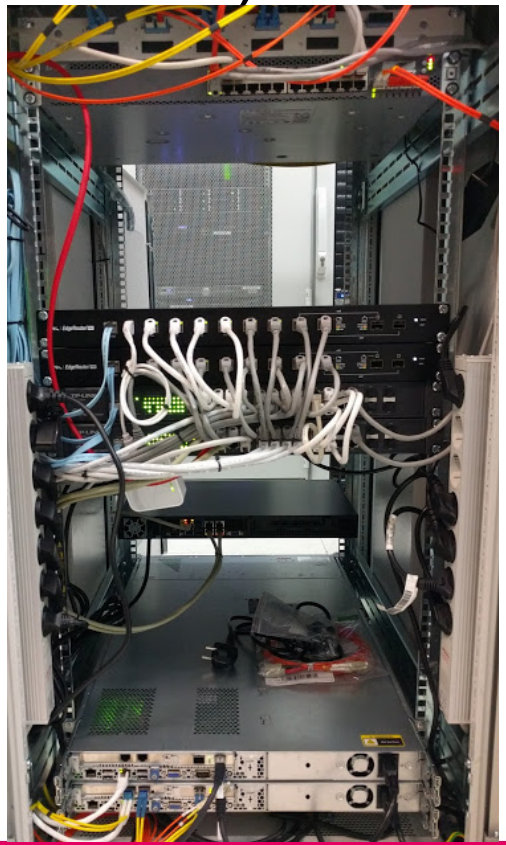

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