



Enabling Digital Evolution

Sitecore IP Geolocation

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Geolocation

- Pairing of an IP address to a geographical location
- Used to identify where the web visitors are coming from

Geolocation Providers

- Database
- Web service
- Examples:
 - MaxMind: <https://www.maxmind.com/en/geoip2-country-database>
 - MaxMind GeoLite2 (free): <http://dev.maxmind.com/geoip/geoip2/geolite2/>
 - IP2Location: <http://www.ip2location.com/>

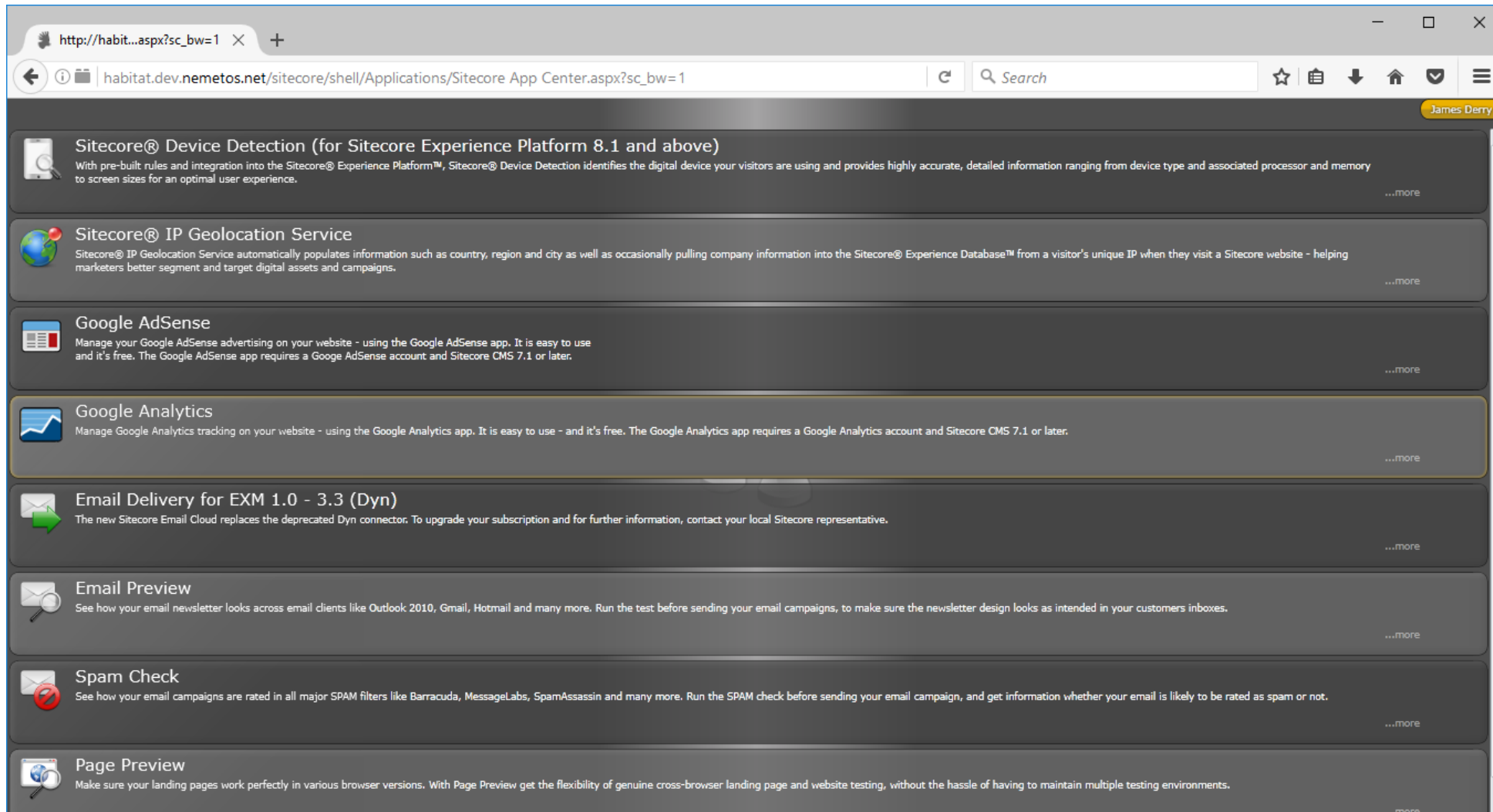
Upgrade from MaxMind

- Previously: MaxMind/Sitecore integrated service from MaxMind
- Sitecore XP 8.0 or older
- 31 August 2015 – integrated service is discontinued
- Recommendation: upgrade to Sitecore XP 8.1 or later
- Result: the URL that pointed to the MaxMind service, will now point to the Sitecore IP Geolocation provider

Sitecore IP Geolocation Service

- Module/service provided by Sitecore
- Installed by default from Sitecore XP 8.1 initial release
- Still uses MaxMind as a provider
- Geo IP Data: Analytics.Model.WhoIsInformation
 - Country
 - City
 - Region
 - Lat & Long

Activation in AppCenter (1)



Activation in AppCenter (2)

Sitecore® IP Geolocation Service

Sitecore® IP Geolocation Service automatically populates information such as country, region and city as well as occasionally pulling company information into the Sitecore® Experience Database™ from a visitor's unique IP when they visit a Sitecore website - helping marketers better segment and target digital assets and campaigns.

Price Plan

Select the commitment level that fits your needs. Price tiers are shown here per month. However, the full year's worth of purchased queries can be used at any time within the 12 month commitment period - you are not limited by month.

* A single "Lookup" is defined as a request submitted by Customer to the Services, where each request is a unique IP address from the Customer's solution, during the applicable Payment Cycle Period.

Pricing and Payment Terms

All prices are exclusive of applicable taxes.

A Payment Cycle Period is 12 months, with the first Payment Cycle Period beginning on the date Sitecore makes the Services available to Customer and running 12 months therefrom. Renewal for a new Payment Cycle Period occurs automatically at the end of the then-current Payment Cycle Period unless Customer has terminated the Services at least 24 hours prior to the end of then-current Payment Cycle Period.

The applicable fees are subject to change in the following two ways: (i) upon 120 days' notice from Sitecore, to Sitecore's then-current pricing; or (ii) Customer selecting a higher or lower subscription level.

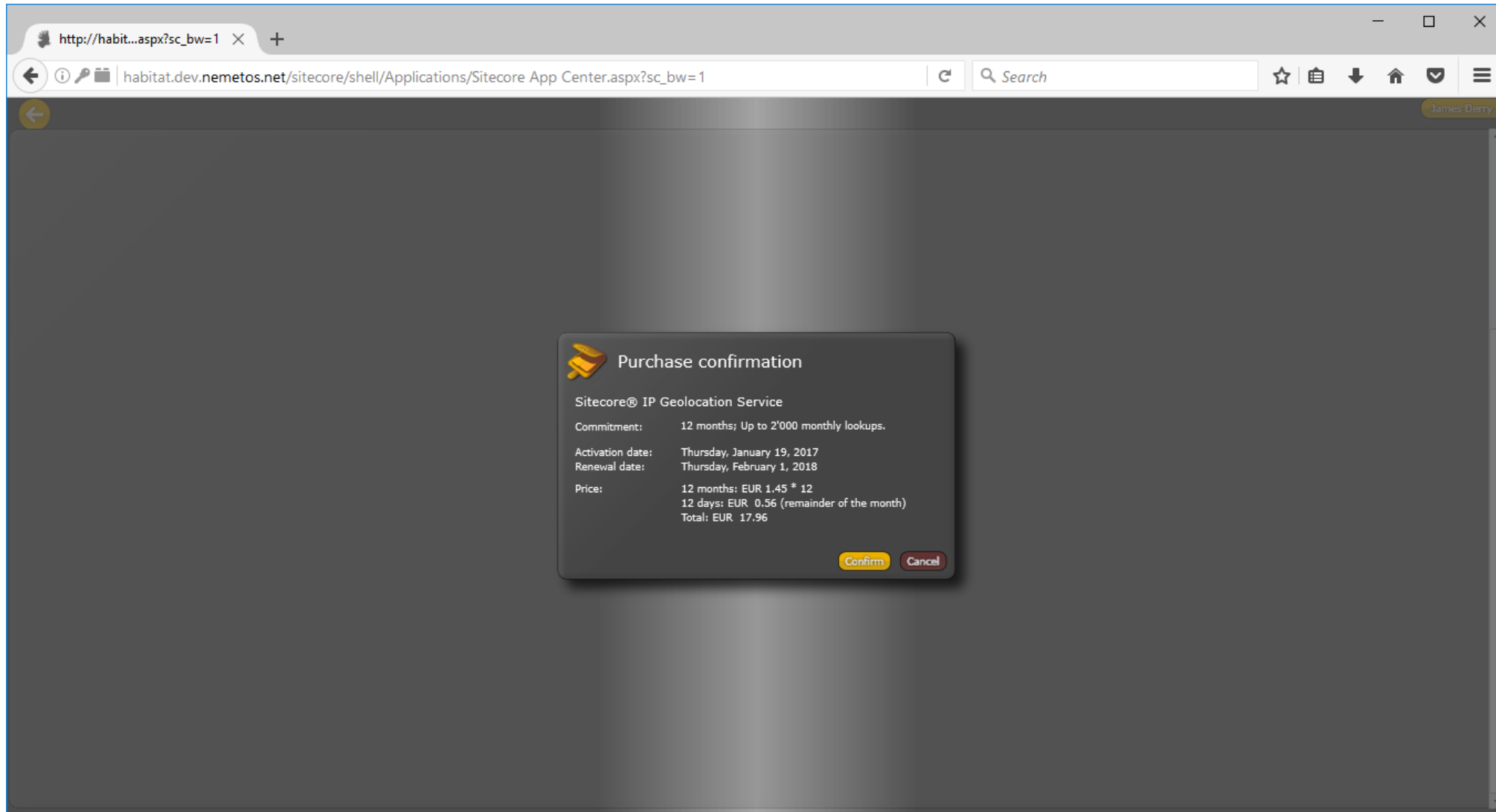
Each annual fee shall be invoiced in advance for that Payment Cycle Period.

All payment terms are 30 days net.

If according to Sitecore's measurement, Customer's actual usage exceeds the parameters for Customer's subscription level, Sitecore shall invoice Customer, on a monthly basis, the applicable amounts based on the above table, where overage charges will be based on Customer's cost per additional Lookup. Customer shall provide a written notice contesting the accuracy of any overage charges invoiced herein within thirty (30) days of the date of the invoice or the invoice will otherwise be deemed accurate and accepted by

| Commitment period | Lookups per month | Addl 1000 lookups | Price per month |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 12 months | 2'000 | EUR 0.72 | EUR 1.45 |
| | 4'000 | EUR 0.58 | EUR 2.31 |
| | 10'000 | EUR 0.54 | EUR 5.42 |
| | 20'000 | EUR 0.51 | EUR 10.12 |
| | 50'000 | EUR 0.47 | EUR 23.48 |
| | 100'000 | EUR 0.43 | EUR 43.36 |
| | 200'000 | EUR 0.40 | EUR 79.49 |
| | 500'000 | EUR 0.36 | EUR 180.65 |

Activation in AppCenter (3)



Activation in AppCenter (4)

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `http://habitat...aspx?sc_bw=1`. The page title is "Sitecore® IP Geolocation Service". Below the title, there is a description: "Sitecore® IP Geolocation Service automatically populates information such as country, region and city as well as occasionally pulling company information into the Sitecore® Experience Database™ from a visitor's unique IP when they visit a Sitecore website - helping marketers better segment and target digital assets and campaigns." A green status bar indicates "Running".

The page is divided into two main sections: "Reporting" and "Price Plan".

Reporting

Lookups

| Jan 2016 | Feb 2016 | Mar 2016 | Apr 2016 | May 2016 | Jun 2016 | Jul 2016 | Aug 2016 | Sep 2016 | Oct 2016 | Nov 2016 | Dec 2016 | Jan 2017 |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Price Plan

Current price plan:

| Order date | Start date | Commitment period | Lookups per month | Price per month |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Thursday, January 19, 2017 | Thursday, January 19, 2017 | 12 months | 2000 | EUR 1.45 |

Buttons: Change, Terminate

Configuration Settings

- Analytics enabled

- Sitecore.Xdb.config

- ```
<setting name="Xdb.Enabled" value="true" />
```

- ```
<setting name="Xdb.Tracking.Enabled" value="true" />
```

- IP detection

- Sitecore.Analytics.Tracking.config

- ```
<setting name="Analytics.ForwardedRequestHttpHeader" value="X-Forwarded-For" />
```

# Code

```
public static string GetCountryForCurrentIp()
{
 IPAddress ipaddress = GetIpAddressFromTracker();
 string country = string.Empty;

 if (ipaddress != null)
 {
 var geoIpOptions = new GeoIpOptions
 {
 Ip = ipaddress,
 MillisecondsTimeout = 1000,
 Id = GeoIpManager.IpHashProvider.ComputeGuid(ipaddress)
 };

 var geoIpResult = GeoIpManager.GetGeoIpData(geoIpOptions);

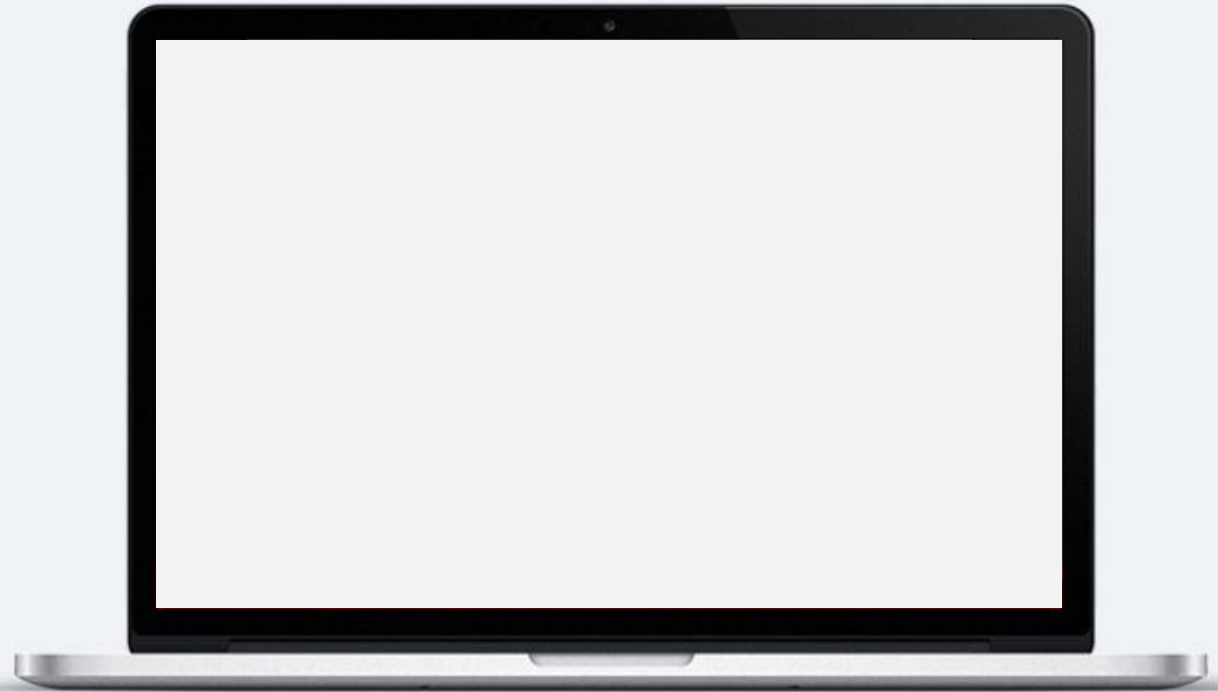
 if (geoIpResult?.GeoIpData != null)
 {
 country = geoIpResult.GeoIpData.Country != null
 && !geoIpResult.GeoIpData.Country.Equals("N/A")
 ? geoIpResult.GeoIpData.Country : string.Empty;
 }
 }

 return country;
}
```

```
private static IPAddress GetIpAddressFromTracker()
{
 return Tracker.Current != null
 && Tracker.Current.Interaction != null
 && Tracker.Current.Interaction.Ip != null
 ? new IPAddress(Tracker.Current.Interaction.Ip) : null;
}
```

# Demo – Detect Country based on IP

- Habitat Sitecore Project
- Sitecore 8.2 rev. 161115
- <http://habitat.dev.nemetos.net/>
- ModHeader – Chrome plugin to change IP
- Test IP:  
<http://habitat.dev.nemetos.net/sitecore/TestIP.aspx>



# Change provider

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- Ex: IP2Location

- Web.config

```
<add key="IP2LocationKey" value="demo" />
```

- Sitecore.Analytics.config

```
<lookupManager defaultProvider="default">
 <providers>
 <clear/>
 <add name="default" type="Assembly.Custom.IP2LocationLookupProvider, Assembly"/>
 </providers>
</lookupManager>
```

# IP2LocationProvider

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```
public override WhoIsInformation GetInformationByIp(string ip)
{
 WhoIsInformation whoIsInformation = new WhoIsInformation();
 string key = WebConfigurationManager.AppSettings["IP2LocationKey"];

 try
 {
 string text = _RequestIPData(ip, key);
 if (text.IndexOf("IP_NOT_FOUND", StringComparison.Ordinal) >= 0)
 {
 return ContactLocation.CreateUnknown();
 }
 else if (text.IndexOf("INVALID IP ADDRESS", StringComparison.Ordinal) >= 0)
 {
 throw new Exception("Unexpected format");
 }

 JavaScriptSerializer serializer = new JavaScriptSerializer();
 dynamic item = serializer.Deserialize<object>(text);

 whoIsInformation.BusinessName = "IP2Location";
 whoIsInformation.Country = item["country_code"];
 }
 catch (Exception exception)
 {
 Log.Error(exception.StackTrace, exception);
 }

 return whoIsInformation;
}
```

```
private static string _RequestIPData(string ip, string key)
{
 string strQuery;

 HttpWebRequest httpWReq;
 HttpWebResponse httpWResp;

 strQuery = "http://api.ip2location.com/?" + "ip=" + ip + "&key=" + key + "&package=WS1&format=json";

 httpWReq = (HttpWebRequest)WebRequest.Create(strQuery);
 httpWReq.Method = "GET";
 httpWResp = (HttpWebResponse)httpWReq.GetResponse();

 System.IO.StreamReader reader = new System.IO.StreamReader(httpWResp.GetResponseStream());
 string content = reader.ReadToEnd();

 return content;
}
```

# Conclusions

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- Advantages
  - Integrated with Sitecore, already installed from Sitecore XP 8.1
  - Not expensive, price plan easy to configure from AppCenter
- Disadvantages
  - Not accurate for all IP requests



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# Thank you for listening

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