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(57)**ABSTRACT**

A method and system for predicting the geographic location of a network entity are described. Examples include predicting the geographic location of a network entity by directing the network entity to transmit one or more data packets to a number of predetermined network identifiers, such as IP addresses, where data corresponding to each of the network identifiers is part of a geographic location prediction model. In examples, a dataset that represents transit times for the data packets transmitted from the network entity to the hosts identified by the IP addresses is determined, and a geographic location for the network entity is predicted by applying the geographic location prediction model to the dataset.

