Kevin Vermeulen

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CNRS researcher

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Networks and networks measurements. Building measurement systems and techniques for a better Internet.

EDUCATION

2017 - 2020

Doctorate in Computer Science, "Improved Algorithms for capturing Internet maps", supervised by Olivier Fourmaux and Timur Friedman, Sorbonne Université, Paris, France

2012 - 2016

MSc in Engineering, specialization in Computer Science, Institut Mines-Telecom Atlantique grande école, Brest, France

2010 - 2012

Prépa maths sup' et maths spé (non-degree **Bachelor**'s level program), intensive advanced mathematics studies for entry into the *grandes écoles*, Lycée Henri IV, Paris, France

2009 - 2010

Baccalaureate (French national diploma), scientific option, with honors, Lycée Baudelaire, Roubaix, France

EMPLOYMENT

October 2021 - Current

CNRS Researcher (tenured position), LAAS-CNRS, Toulouse, France

October 2020 - October 2021

Postdoctoral researcher with professor Ethan Katz-Bassett, Columbia University, New York, NY, USA

Septembre 2017 - Septembre 2020

Research assistant with Professor Timur Friedman, Sorbonne Université, Paris, France

July 2019 - September 2019

Visiting research scholar with professor Robert Beverly and Justin P. Rohrer, Naval Postgraduate School (NPS), Monterey, CA, USA

September 2016 - August 2017

Software database engineer, Murex (leading company in fintech), Paris, France

March 2016 - September 2016

Software database engineer intern, French Ministry of Armies, Paris, France

PUBLICATIONS

Note: In my domain of research on Internet measurements, the ACM Internet Measurement Conference (IMC) is the leading venue, with acceptance rates of around 25%. The PAM and TMA conferences are the other venues for Internet measurements, with higher acceptance rates. In the more general field of computer networks, the USENIX NSDI, ACM SIGCOMM, and ACM CoNEXT conferences are the leading venues with acceptance rates of around 20%. The ACM HotNets is the leading workshop for hot topics and new or controversial ideas in computer networks, with acceptance rates around 30%. IMC, SIGCOMM, and NSDI are classified as top conferences in their domain by the http://csrankings.org/ website, which gives the top conferences of different domains of computer science according to researchers of the fields.

These conferences and workshops are the best places to publish my work, although journals with excellent reputations exist, such as IEEE/ACM Transactions of Networking and ACM SIGCOMM Computer Communication Review. Following the preferences of my research community, I tend to prefer publishing in the top conferences of my domain, that are as prestigious as the journals cited above and better for dissemination. Recently, CoNEXT publishes the long papers

accepted at the conference in a journal, Proceeding of the ACM of Networking (PACMNET), so my CoNEXT long papers can be considered as journal publications.

Refereed conference publications

• metAScritic: Reframing AS-Level Topology Discovery as a Recommendation System

Loqman Salamatian, **Kevin Vermeulen**, Italo Cunha, Vasilis Giotsas, Ethan Katz-Bassett

ACM IMC 2024

Acceptance rate: 21% (18% for long papers)

• Geofeeds: Revolutionizing IP Geolocation or Illusionary Promises?

Ioana Livadariu*, Kevin Vermeulen*, Maxime Mouchet, Vasilis Giotsas

*equal contribution ACM CoNEXT 2024

Acceptance rate: 12% (Winter session)

A First Look At IPv6 Hypergiant Infrastructure

Fahad Hilal, Patrick Sattler, Kevin Vermeulen, Oliver Gasser

ACM CoNEXT 2024

Acceptance rate: 12% (Winter session)

Artifact evaluation: Three ACM badges on reproducibility

An explainable-by-design ensemble learning system to detect unknown network attacks

Céline Minh, Kevin Vermeulen, Cédric Lefebvre, Philippe Owezarski, William Ritchie

IEEE/IFIP CNSM 2023 Acceptance rate: 19%.

Replication: Towards a Publicly Available Internet Scale IP Geolocation Dataset

Omar Darwich, Hugo Rimlinger, Milo Dreyfus, Matthieu Gouel, Kevin Vermeulen.

ACM IMC 2023

Acceptance rate: 25%

Awarded best artifact award

RPKI Time-of-Flight: Tracking Delays in the Management, Control, and Data Planes

Romain Fontugne, Amreesh Phokeet, Cristel Pellser, **Kevin Vermeulen**, Randy Bush

PAM 2023

Acceptance rate: 34%

• Internet Scale Reverse Traceroute

Kevin Vermeulen, Ege Gurmericliler, Italo Cunha, David Choffnes, Ethan Katz-Bassett.

ACM IMC 2022

Acceptance rate: 26%

• The Best of Both Worlds: High Availability CDN Routing Without Compromising Control

Jiangchen Zhu, Kevin Vermeulen, Italo Cunha, Ethan Katz-Bassett, Matt Calder.

ACM IMC 2022

Acceptance rate: 26%

Awarded best short paper

IP Geolocation Database Stability and Implications for Network Research

Matthieu Gouel, Kevin Vermeulen, Olivier Fourmaux, Timur Friedman, Robert Beverly.

IEEE/IFIP TMA 2021 Acceptance rate: 43%

Alias Resolution Base on ICMP Rate Limiting

Kevin Vermeulen, Burim Ljuma, Vamsi Addanki, Olivier Fourmaux, Timur Friedman, Reza Rejaie.

PAM 2020

Acceptance rate: 29%

• Diamond-Miner: Comprehensive Discovery of the Internet's Topology Diamonds

Kevin Vermeulen, Justin P. Rohrer, Robert Beverly, Olivier Fourmaux, Timur Friedman.

USENIX NSDI 2020 Acceptance rate: 17%

Multilevel MDA-Lite Paris Traceroute

Kevin Vermeulen, Stephen D. Strowes, Olivier Fourmaux, Timur Friedman.

ACM IMC 2018 Acceptance rate: 25%

Artifact evaluation: Three ACM badges on reproducibility

Refereed journal publications

Geofeeds: Revolutionizing IP Geolocation or Illusionary Promises?

Ioana Livadariu*, Kevin Vermeulen*, Maxime Mouchet, Vasilis Giotsas

*equal contribution

PACMNET 2024 (CoNEXT journal)

A First Look At IPv6 Hypergiant Infrastructure

Fahad Hilal, Patrick Sattler, Kevin Vermeulen, Oliver Gasser

PACMNET 2024 (CoNEXT journal)

Zeph & Iris map the Internet: A Resilient Reinforcement Learning Approach to Distributed IP Route Tracing
Matthieu Gouel, Kevin Vermeulen, Maxime Mouchet, Justin P. Rohrer, Olivier Fourmaux, Timur Friedman.
ACM SIGCOMM CCR, January 2022

Refereed workshop publications

• The Central Problem with Distributed Content

Kevin Vermeulen, Loqman Salamatian, Sang Hoon Kim, Matt Calder, Ethan Katz-Bassett.

ACM HotNets 2023 Acceptance rate: 27%

Towards a Traffic Map of the Internet

Tom Koch, Weifan Jiang, Tao Luo, Petros Gigis, Yunfan Zhang, **Kevin Vermeulen**, Emile Aben, Matt Calder,

Ethan Katz-Bassett, Lefteris Manassakis, Georgios Smaragdakis, Narseo Vallina-Rodriguez.

ACM HotNets 2021 Acceptance rate: 31%

Internet Measurements on EdgeNet

Demo and extended abstract.

Kevin Vermeulen, Burim Ljuma, Olivier Fourmaux, Timur Friedman.

IEEE INFOCOM CNERT Workshop 2019.

Refereed national conference publications

GeoGiant: Vers une géolocalisation d'adresses IP à l'échelle grâce aux géants d'Internet

Hugo Rimlinger, Kevin Vermeulen, Olivier Fourmaux, Timur Friedman.

Algotel/CoRES 2024

Awarded best student paper

STUDENTS

Ph.D. students

- Omar Darwich (LAAS-CNRS): started in October 2022 (French MITT doctoral school grant), co-advised with Philippe Owezarski
 - Awarded a JSPS grant starting in October 2024

- Hugo Rimlinger (Sorbonne Université): started in October 2023 (French Ministry for the Armed Forces grant), coadvised with Timur Friedman and Olivier Fourmaux
- Fahad Hilal (Max Planck Institute for Informatics)
 - o Awarded a SALTO grant (March 2024 June 2024)
- Ufuk Bombar (Sorbonne Université): starting in October 2024 (French EDITE doctoral school grant), co-advised with Timur Friedman and Olivier Fourmaux

Master students

- Milo Dreyfus (IMT Atlantique): 2-month Internship
- William Gravil (Université Paris-Saclay): 4-month Internship

TEACHING

- Digital culture, undergraduate program, Sciences Po Paris Fall 2024
- Internet measurements course, Master's degree program, Sorbonne Université Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2022, Fall 2023
- C++ programming, Master's degree program, course, lab creation and supervision, Sorbonne Université
 Fall 2019
- Programming project, undergraduate program, lab supervision, Sorbonne Université Spring 2019
- Java programming, undergraduate program, lab supervision, Sorbonne Université Spring 2018

SERVICE

Technical Program Committee Member:

- ACM IMC (2023, 2024, 2025)
- ACM SIGMETRICS (2023, 2025)
- PAM (2022, 2024, 2025)
- IFIP/IEEE TMA (2024)

External Reviewer

- ACM SIGMETRICS (2024)
- Transactions on Networking (2022)
- ACM IMC (2019)
- IEEE INFOCOM CNERT Workshop (2019)

SOFTWARE PRODUCTION

I attach a particular importance to share the code and the data collected during my research to enable replicability and reproducibility, which are recognized by my community with artifact evaluation badges and artifact award. In addition to these objectives, I actively participate in the development and the maintenance of long-running measurement systems for the community.

Diamond-Miner: The Diamond-Miner system runs on the Iris platform (https://iris.dioptra.io) and has been running Internet topology multipath measurements for multiple years now, and the data have been used by multiple papers. The code has been refactored since by Matthieu Gouel and Maxime Mouchet and is available on github (https://github.com/dioptra-io). The dioptra group at Sorbonne Université are the current maintainers of the system. Also, although I am not involved in that project, a new implementation of the Diamond-Miner algorithm is currently tested to replace the scamper implementation of multipath tracing on the M-Lab traceroutes following each NDT speedtest (https://www.measurementlab.net/blog/jun24-community-call/#testing-fast-mda-traceroute).

Internet Scale Reverse Traceroute: The Internet Scale Reverse Traceroute is system has different components, which are deployed at Northeastern University for the controller and the M-Lab platform for the distributed vantage points (https://www.measurementlab.net), which is sponsored by Google. The platform is open to operators and researchers, and has served for different research projects. Moreover, we have deployed a "revtr-sidecar", which performs reverse

path measurement for a fraction (25%) of the M-Lab NDT speedtests (>1M reverse path measurements per day). The data are available to the community on the M-Lab Big Query, which can be accessed on this link ((https://console.cloud.google.com/bigguery?project=measurement-lab&ws=!1m4!1m3!3m2!1smeasurementmay lab!2srevtr raw). You need (free) M-Lab account the data an to access (https://www.measurementlab.net/data/docs/bg/quickstart/). I am the current maintainer of the Internet Scale Reverse Traceroute system.

LANGUAGES

French: native speaker. English: fluent. German: working knowledge.

ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

Sports: club-level soccer player, former club-level basketball player

Music: former violinist and gold medalist in music theory, Music Conservatory of Roubaix, France