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# **ipwhois Documentation**

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**Attention:** NIR (National Internet Registry) lookups are now enabled by default. This is currently only performed for JPNIC and KRNIC addresses. To disable, set `inc_nir=False` in your `IPWhois.lookup_*`() query.

**Attention:** The 'nets' -> 'emails' key in `IPWhois.lookup_whois()` has been changed from a '\n' separated string to a list.

**Important:** RDAP (`IPWhois.lookup_rdap()`) is the recommended query method as of v0.11.0. If you are upgrading from earlier than 0.11.0, please see the [upgrade info](#).

**Note:** If you are experiencing latency issues, it is likely related to rate limiting. Profiling the tests, I see most time spent attributed to network latency. Rate limiting is based on your source IP, which may be a problem with multiple users behind the same proxy. Additionally, LACNIC implements aggressive rate limiting. Bulk query optimization is on the roadmap (<https://github.com/secynic/ipwhois/issues/134>)

## 1.1 Features

- Parses a majority of whois fields in to a standard dictionary
- IPv4 and IPv6 support
- Supports RDAP queries (recommended method, see: <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7483>)
- Proxy support for RDAP queries
- Supports legacy whois protocol queries
- Referral whois support for legacy whois protocol
- Recursive network parsing for IPs with parent/children networks listed
- National Internet Registry support for JPNIC and KRNIC
- Python 2.6+ and 3.3+ supported
- Useful set of utilities

- BSD license
- 100% core code coverage (See ‘# pragma: no cover’ for exclusions)
- Human readable field translations
- Full CLI for IPWhois with optional ANSI colored console output.

## 1.2 Links

### 1.2.1 Documentation

#### Release v0.14.0

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/v0.14.0>

#### GitHub master

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest>

#### GitHub dev

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/dev>

### 1.2.2 Examples

<https://github.com/secynic/ipwhois/tree/master/ipwhois/examples>

### 1.2.3 Github

<https://github.com/secynic/ipwhois>

### 1.2.4 Pypi

<https://pypi.python.org/pypi/ipwhois>

### 1.2.5 Changes

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/CHANGES.html>

## 1.3 Dependencies

Python 2.6, 2.7:

<code>dnspython</code> <code>ipaddr</code>
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Python 3.3+:

```
dnspython3
```

## 1.4 Installing

Latest release from PyPi:

```
pip install --upgrade ipwhois
```

GitHub - Stable:

```
pip install -e git+https://github.com/secynic/ipwhois@master#egg=ipwhois
```

GitHub - Dev:

```
pip install -e git+https://github.com/secynic/ipwhois@dev#egg=ipwhois
```

## 1.5 Firewall Ports

ipwhois needs some outbound firewall ports opened from your host/server.

**ASN (DNS)** 53/tcp

**ASN (Whois)** 43/tcp

**ASN (HTTP)** 80/tcp

443/tcp (Pending)

**RDAP (HTTP)** 80/tcp

443/tcp (Pending)

**Legacy Whois** 43/tcp

**Get Host** 43/tcp

## 1.6 API

### 1.6.1 IPWhois (main class)

ipwhois.IPWhois is the base class for wrapping RDAP and Legacy Whois lookups. Instantiate this object, then call one of the lookup functions:

*RDAP (HTTP)* - `IPWhois.lookup_rdap()` OR *Legacy Whois* - `IPWhois.lookup_whois()`

### Input

Key	Type	Description
address	String	An IPv4 or IPv6 address as a string, integer, IPv4Address, or IPv6Address.
timeout	Int	The default timeout for socket connections in seconds.
proxy_opener	Object	The urllib.request.OpenerDirector request for proxy support or None.
allow_permutations	Bool	Allow net.Net() to use additional methods if DNS lookups to Cymru fail.

## 1.6.2 RDAP (HTTP)

`IPWhois.lookup_rdap()` is the recommended lookup method. RDAP provides a far better data structure than legacy whois and REST lookups (previous implementation). RDAP queries allow for parsing of contact information and details for users, organizations, and groups. RDAP also provides more detailed network information.

RDAP documentation:

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/RDAP.html>

## 1.6.3 Legacy Whois

`IPWhois.lookup()` is deprecated as of v0.12.0 and will be removed. Legacy whois lookups were moved to `IPWhois.lookup_whois()`.

Legacy Whois documentation:

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/WHOIS.html>

## 1.6.4 National Internet Registries

This library now supports NIR lookups for JPNIC and KRNIC. Previously, Whois and RDAP data for Japan and South Korea was restricted. NIR lookups scrape these national registries directly for the data restricted from regional internet registries. NIR queries are enabled by default via the `inc_nir` argument in the `IPWhois.lookup_*`() functions.

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/NIR.html>

## 1.6.5 Utilities

Utilities documentation:

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/UTILS.html>

## 1.6.6 Scripts

CLI documentation:

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/CLI.html>

## 1.7 Contributing

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/CONTRIBUTING.html>

## 1.8 IP Reputation Support

This feature is under consideration. Take a look at TekDefense's Automater:

[TekDefense-Automater](#)

## 1.9 Domain Support

There are no plans for domain whois support in this project.

Look at Sven Slootweg's [python-whois](#) for a library with domain support.

## 1.10 Special Thanks

Thank you JetBrains for the PyCharm open source support!



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## Contributing

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### 2.1 Issue submission

Issues are tracked on GitHub:

<https://github.com/secynic/ipwhois/issues>

Follow the guidelines detailed in the appropriate section below. As a general rule of thumb, provide as much information as possible when submitting issues.

#### 2.1.1 Bug reports

- Title should be a short, descriptive summary of the bug
- Include the Python and ipwhois versions affected
- Provide a context (with code example) in the description of your issue. What are you attempting to do?
- Include the full obfuscated output. Make sure to set DEBUG logging:

```
import logging
LOG_FORMAT = ('[%(asctime)s] [%(levelname)s] [%(filename)s:%(lineno)s] '
              ' [%%(funcName)s()] %(message)s')
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.DEBUG, format=LOG_FORMAT)
```

- Include sources of information with links or screenshots
- Do you have a suggestion on how to fix the bug?

#### 2.1.2 Feature Requests

- Title should be a short, descriptive summary of the feature requested
- Provide use case examples
- Include sources of information with links or screenshots
- Do you have a suggestion on how to implement the feature?

### 2.1.3 Testing

You may have noticed that Travis CI tests are taking longer to complete. This is due to the enabling of online lookup tests (network tests in the `ipwhois/tests/online` directory).

When running local tests, you may include these tests by adding the `--include=online` flag to your `nosetests` command.

Example:

```
nosetests -v -w ipwhois --include=online
```

### 2.1.4 Questions

I am happy to answer any questions and provide assistance where possible. Please be clear and concise. Provide examples when possible. Check the [ipwhois documentation](#) and the [issue tracker](#) before asking a question.

## 2.2 Pull Requests

### 2.2.1 What to include

Aside from the core code changes, it is helpful to provide the following (where applicable):

- Unit tests
- Examples
- Sphinx configuration changes in `/data`
- Requirements (`python2.txt`, `python3.txt`)

### 2.2.2 Guidelines

- Title should be a short, descriptive summary of the changes
- Follow [PEP 8](#) where possible.
- Follow the [Google docstring style guide](#) for comments
- Must be compatible with Python 2.6, 2.7, and 3.3+
- Break out reusable code to functions
- Make your code easy to read and comment where necessary
- Reference the GitHub issue number in the description (e.g., Issue #01)
- When running `nosetests`, make sure to add the following arguments:

```
--verbosity=3 --nologcapture --include=online --cover-erase
```

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## Changelog

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### 4.1 0.14.0 (2016-08-29)

- Changed legacy whois emails output type to list (#133)
- Fixed retry count non-decrementing infinite loop in `ipwhois.net.Net.get_whois()` (issue #125 - krader1961)
- Added new function `ipwhois.net.Net.get_http_raw()` and tests (#67)
- Added National Internet Registry (JPNIC, KRNIC) support (#67). Enabled by default in `IPWhois.lookup_*`. Disable by passing `inc_nir=False`. Optionally, lower level code can call `nir.NIRWhois()`. This enhancement results in extra network queries, but more detailed information for NIRs.
- Added utils CLI (`ipwhois_utils_cli.py`) - #121. Installed to your environments Scripts dir. This is a wrapper for `utils.py`.
- Documentation improvements (#123)
- kw arg readability (#115)
- Replaced usage of args with `script_args` in `ipwhois_cli.py`
- Minor optimization in `whois.py` and `online/test_whois.py`
- Added coveralls integration and re-enabled online tests with Travis CI
- Added Read the Docs support (#132)
- Added documentation (Sphinx) `requirements.txt` (#132)
- Fixed test imports
- Added `-json` argument (output in JSON format) to `ipwhois_cli.py` (#135)

### 4.2 0.13.0 (2016-04-18)

- Added `events_actor` parsing for RDAP results.
- Added example for caching data via Redis (#81)
- Added normalization (human-readable field information) in `hr.py` (#47)
- README word wrap fix (#102)
- Fixed bug in exception handling for ASN HTTP lookups.

- Fixed bug in IPWhois.lookup\_rdap() that caused ASN HTTP lookup responses to be used in place of RDAP responses.
- Added new function Net.get\_asn\_http() and migrated code from Net.lookup\_asn() + new tests.
- Fixed bug in ASN HTTP fallback lookups for DNIC (#108).
- Added new parameter extra\_org\_map in Net.get\_asn\_http(), Net.lookup\_asn(), and IPWhois.lookup\*() (#108).
- Fixed \_RDAPCommon.summarize\_notices() None check - changed len() to all().
- Added CLI (ipwhois\_cli.py) - #46. Installed to your environments Scripts dir. This is a wrapper for ipwhois.py (IPWhois). Utils CLI will be in a future release (#121).
- Documentation split up and added more detail (#81).

### **4.3 0.12.0 (2016-03-28)**

- Added headers parameter to ipwhois.Net.get\_http\_json() (issue #98).
- Fixed ASN HTTP lookup (fallback) Accept headers (issue #98).
- Fixed HTTP decoding, set to utf-8 (italomaia - issue #97)
- IPWhois.lookup() deprecated (issue #96), and will be removed in a future release (TBD). Use IPWhois.lookup\_whois() instead.
- Added rate\_limit\_timeout parameter (issue #99) to Net.get\_http\_json(), IPWhois.lookup\_rdap(), and RDAP.lookup(). New exception HTTPRateLimitError.
- Added new parameter asn\_alts to Net.lookup\_asn(), IPWhois.lookup\_rdap() and IPWhois.lookup(). Takes an array of lookup types to attempt if the ASN dns lookup fails. Allow permutations must be enabled. Defaults to all ['whois', 'http'] (issue #93).
- Fixed socket exception handling in Net.get\_http\_json() for Python 2.6.
- Fixed assertIsInstance for Python 2.6 tests (issue #100). Implemented unittest.\_formatMessage and unittest.util.safe\_repr for Python 2.6.
- Moved TestCommon to tests\\_\_init\_\_.py to avoid duplicate code.
- Replaced remaining % with str.format (issue #95).

### **4.4 0.11.2 (2016-02-25)**

- Added allow\_permutations parameter (bool) to net.Net() and ipwhois.IPWhois() to allow alternate ASN lookups if DNS lookups fail. (FirefighterBlu3)
- Fixed ASN DNS resolver timeout/retry\_count support. Retry count is used as a multiplier of timeout, to determine a lifetime interval. (FirefighterBlu3)
- Fixed bug where remarks would return None if missing a title.
- Added CONTRIBUTING.rst
- Added tests

## 4.5 0.11.1 (2015-12-17)

- Re-added CIDR calculation for RDAP lookups.
- Improved tests - core code coverage now 100%. See '# pragma: no cover' for exclusions. A few bugs were identified in the process, detailed below.
- Moved IP zero stripping from `rdap._RDAPNetwork.parse()` to new helper function `utils.ipv4_lstrip_zeros()`.
- Moved CIDR calculation from `rdap._RDAPNetwork.parse()` to new helper function `utils.calculate_cidr()`.
- Fixed `utils.ipv4_is_defined()` if statement ordering for RFC 1918 conflict.
- Fixed `utils.ipv6_is_defined()` if statement ordering for Unspecified and Loopback (conflict with Reserved).
- Added `is_offline` parameter to `whois.Whois.lookup()` primarily for testing.
- Fixed bug in `whois.Whois._parse_fields()` that attempted to parse 'val2' of regex, which is no longer used. Also fixed the expected Exception to be `IndexError`.
- Fixed bug in `ipwhois.IPWhois.lookup()` where the argument order was mixed up, causing referral lookups to be skipped when `get_referral=True`.
- Fixed bug in `rdap._RDAPCommon.summarize_notices()` output for links.
- Fixed bug in root entity iteration exception handling in `rdap.RDAP.lookup()`.

## 4.6 0.11.0 (2015-11-02)

- Support for REST lookups replaced with RDAP.
- Split code for a more structured system (`net`, `whois`, `rdap`, `exceptions`).
- Tests match the data new structure.
- Split tests for online and offline testing.
- Performance enhancements for parsing.
- Added an optional `bootstrap` parameter for RDAP lookups, in order to replace ASN lookups or use both. Will default to `False`. Afrinic is currently not supported, so I would not use this for now. ARIN acknowledged my issue for this, and will be adding support back in for Afrinic bootstrap.
- Added `field_list` parameter (inclusion list) for WHOIS lookups.
- Added logging.
- Added examples directory.

## 4.7 0.10.3 (2015-08-14)

- Fixed LACNIC `lookup_rws()` queries, since they switched to RDAP. This is temporary to get it working until the major library transition to RDAP and new parsed formatting is complete.

## 4.8 0.10.2 (2015-05-19)

- Fixed APNIC parsing for updated field.
- Fixed datetime parsing and validation when Zulu (Z) is appended.
- Added RIPE parsing for created and updated fields (whois and RWS).
- Removed unnecessary parentheses in IPWhois class declaration.
- Some documentation and comment tweaking to work with Sphinx.
- Minor PEP 8 tweaks.

## 4.9 0.10.1 (2015-02-09)

- Fixed setup.py bug.

## 4.10 0.10.0 (2015-02-09)

- Added .csv support for country code source. You can no longer download country code information from iso.org.
- Added support for IPv4Address or IPv6Address as the address arg in IPWhois.
- Fixed file open encoding bug. Moved from open to io.open.
- Fixed parameter in IPWhois ip defined checks.
- Fixed TestIPWhois.test\_ip\_invalid() assertions.

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## Changelog (Archive)

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### 5.1 0.9.1 (2014-10-14)

- Added `ignore_referral_errors` parameter to `lookup()`.
- Fixed `ipaddress` import conflicts with alternate `ipaddress` module.
- Tuned import exception in `ipwhois.utils`.
- Fixed retry handling in `get_whois()`.
- Fixed CIDR regex parsing bug where some nets were excluded from the results.

### 5.2 0.9.0 (2014-07-27)

- Fixed order on REST email fields
- Fixed setup error for initial install when dependencies don't exist.
- Added RWhois support.
- Added server and port parameters to `IPWhois.get_whois()`.
- Added `unique_addresses()` to `ipwhois.utils` and unit tests.
- Added some unit tests to `test_lookup()`.
- Replaced `dict.copy()` with `copy.deepcopy(dict)`.
- Fixed bug in abuse emails parsing.
- Added handle and range values to returned nets dictionary.

### 5.3 0.8.2 (2014-05-12)

- Fixed multi-line field parsing (Issue #36).
- Added `unique_everseen()` to `ipwhois.utils` to fix multi-line field order.
- Re-added support for RIPE RWS now that their API is fixed.

## 5.4 0.8.1 (2014-03-05)

- Fixed encoding error in IPWhois.get\_whois().

## 5.5 0.8.0 (2014-02-18)

- Added ASNRegistryError to handle unknown ASN registry return values.
- Added ASN registry lookup third tier fallback to ARIN.
- Fixed variable naming to avoid shadows built-in confusion.
- Fixed some type errors: Expected type 'str', got 'dict[str, dict]' instead.
- Fixed RIPE RWS links, since they changed their API.
- Temporarily removed RIPE RWS functionality until they fix their API.
- Removed RADB fallback, since RIPE removed it.

## 5.6 0.7.0 (2014-01-14)

- Added Python 2.6+ support.
- The country field in net dicts is now forced uppercase.

## 5.7 0.6.0 (2014-01-13)

- Added APNIC RWS support for IPWhois.lookup\_rws().
- Fixed issue in IPWhois.lookup\_rws() for radb-grs fallback.

## 5.8 0.5.2 (2013-12-07)

- Fixed special character issue in countries XML file (Issue #23).

## 5.9 0.5.1 (2013-12-03)

- Moved regex string literal declarations to NIC\_WHOIS dict.
- Moved RWS parsing to own private functions.
- Moved base\_net dict to global BASE\_NET.
- More granular exception handling in lookup functions.
- Fixed email parsing for ARIN and RIPE RWS.
- Changed some 'if key in dict' statements to try/except for slight performance increase in lookup functions.
- Removed generic exception handling (returned blank dict) on get\_countries().

- More PEP 8 reformatting.
- Minor docstring modifications.
- Added some unit tests to `test_lookup()` and `test_lookup_rws()`.

## 5.10 0.5.0 (2013-11-20)

- Reformatting for PEP 8 compliance.
- Added LACNIC RWS (Beta v2) support for `IPWhois.lookup_rws()`.

## 5.11 0.4.0 (2013-10-17)

- Added support for network registered and updated time stamps (keys: `created`, `updated`). Value in ISO 8601 format.
- Added value assertion to `test_utils.py`.
- Fixed `IPWhois.lookup()` handling of processed values. If processing throws an exception, discard the value and not the net dictionary.

## 5.12 0.3.0 (2013-09-30)

- Fixed `get_countries()` to work with frozen executables.
- Added `dnspython3 rdtypes` import to fix issue with frozen executables.
- Moved `iso_3166-1_list_en.xml` to `/data`.
- Added `retry_count` to `IPWhois.lookup()` and `IPWhois.lookup_rws()`.

## 5.13 0.2.1 (2013-09-27)

- Fixed LACNIC CIDR validation on `IPWhois.lookup()`.
- Fixed bug in `IPWhois.get_whois()` for query rate limiting. This was discovered via testing multiprocessing with 8+ processes running asynchronously.

## 5.14 0.2.0 (2013-09-23)

- Added support for emails (keys: `abuse_emails`, `tech_emails`, `misc_emails`).
- Changed regex to use group naming for more complex searching.
- Added some missing exception handling in `lookup_rws()`.

## 5.15 0.1.9 (2013-09-18)

- Added exceptions to import in `__init__.py`.
- Added `IPWhois.__repr__()`.
- Moved exceptions to `get_*`() functions.
- Added exception `HostLookupError`.
- Various optimizations.
- Added some unit tests.

## 5.16 0.1.8 (2013-09-17)

- Removed `set_proxy()` in favor of having the user provide their own `urllib.request.OpenerDirector` instance as a parameter to `IPWhois()`.
- Restructured package in favor of modularity. `get_countries()` is now located in `ipwhois.utils`.
- Added exception `WhoisLookupError` for `IPWhois.lookup()` and `IPWhois.lookup_rws()`.

## 5.17 0.1.7 (2013-09-16)

- Fixed bug in `set_proxy()`.
- Removed ARIN top level network entries from return dictionary of `IPWhois.lookup_rws()`.
- Fixed bug in ARIN RWS parsing when only one network.

## 5.18 0.1.6 (2013-09-16)

- Added `IPWhois.get_host()` to resolve hostname information.
- Added `address` and `postal_code` fields to parsed results.
- Normalized single/double quote use.

## 5.19 0.1.5 (2013-09-13)

- Added `set_proxy()` function for proxy support in Whois-RWS queries.
- Added `IPWhois.lookup_rws()` function for Whois-RWS queries.

## 5.20 0.1.4 (2013-09-12)

- Added validity checks for the `asn_registry` value due to a bug in the Team Cymru ASN lookup over night.
- Added `timeout` argument to `IPWhois()`. This is the default timeout in seconds for socket connections.
- Fixed decoding issue in `IPWhois.get_whois()`.



## 5.21 0.1.3 (2013-09-11)

- Added exception handling with query retry support for socket errors, timeouts, connection resets.
- Moved ASN queries to their own functions (IPWhois.get\_asn\_dns() and IPWhois.get\_asn\_whois())
- Moved whois query to its own function (IPWhois.get\_whois())
- Country codes are now forced as upper case in the return dictionary.

## 5.22 0.1.2 (2013-09-10)

- Fixed file path for get\_countries().
- Fixed variable names that conflicted with builtins.
- Added content to README.
- Moved CHANGES.txt to CHANGES.rst and added to setup.py.
- Download URL now points to GitHub master tarball.

## 5.23 0.1.1 (2013-09-09)

- Fixed README issue.

## 5.24 0.1.0 (2013-09-06)

- Initial release.



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## RDAP (HTTP) Lookups

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`IPWhois.lookup_rdap()` is now the recommended lookup method. RDAP provides a far better data structure than legacy whois and REST lookups (previous implementation). RDAP queries allow for parsing of contact information and details for users, organizations, and groups. RDAP also provides more detailed network information.

### 6.1 Input

Arguments supported by `IPWhois.lookup_rdap()`.

Key	Type	Description
<code>inc_raw</code>	Bool	Boolean for whether to include the raw whois results in the returned dictionary.
<code>retry_count</code>	Int	The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
<code>depth</code>	Int	How many levels deep to run queries when additional referenced objects are found.
<code>excluded_entities</code>	List	A list of entity handles to not perform lookups.
<code>bootstrap</code>	Bool	If True, performs lookups via ARIN bootstrap rather than lookups based on ASN data. ASN lookups are not performed and no output for any of the <code>asn*</code> fields is provided.
<code>rate_limit_timeout</code>	Int	The number of seconds to wait before retrying when a rate limit notice is returned via <code>rdap+json</code> .
<code>asn_alts</code>	List	Array of additional lookup types to attempt if the ASN dns lookup fails. Allow permutations must be enabled. Defaults to all <code>['whois', 'http']</code> .
<code>extra_org_map</code>	Dict	Dictionary mapping org handles to RIRs. This is for limited cases where ARIN REST (ASN fallback HTTP lookup) does not show an RIR as the org handle e.g., DNIC (which is now built in <code>ORG_MAP</code> ) e.g., <code>{ 'DNIC': 'arin' }</code> . Valid RIR values are (note the case-sensitive - this is meant to match the REST result): <code>'ARIN', 'RIPE', 'apnic', 'lacnic', 'afrinic'</code>

### 6.2 Output

#### 6.2.1 Results Dictionary

The output dictionary from `IPWhois.lookup_rdap()`. Contains many nested lists and dictionaries, detailed below this section.

Key	Type	Description
query	String	The IP address input
asn	String	Globally unique identifier used for routing information exchange with Autonomous Systems.
asn_cidr	String	Network routing block assigned to an ASN.
asn_country_code	String	ASN assigned country code in ISO 3166-1 format.
asn_date	String	ASN allocation date in ISO 8601 format.
asn_registry	String	ASN assigned regional internet registry.
network	Dict	The assigned network for an IP address. May be a parent or child network. See <a href="#">Network Dictionary</a> .
entities	List	List of object names referenced by an RIR network. Map these to the objects dict keys.
objects	Dict	The objects (entities) referenced by an RIR network or by other entities (depending on depth parameter). Keys are the object names with values as <a href="#">Objects Dictionary</a> .
raw	Dict	The raw results dictionary (JSON) if inc_raw is True.

## Network Dictionary

The dictionary mapped to the network key in the objects list within [Results Dictionary](#).

Key	Type	Description
cidr	String	Network routing block an IP address belongs to.
country	String	Country code registered with the RIR in ISO 3166-1 format.
end_address	String	The last IP address in a network block.
events	List	List of event dictionaries. See <a href="#">Events Dictionary</a> .
handle	String	Unique identifier for a registered object.
ip_version	String	IP protocol version (v4 or v6) of an IP address.
links	List	HTTP/HTTPS links provided for an RIR object.
name	String	The identifier assigned to the network registration for an IP address.
notices	List	List of notice dictionaries. See <a href="#">Notices Dictionary</a> .
parent_handle	String	Unique identifier for the parent network of a registered network.
remarks	List	List of remark (notice) dictionaries. See <a href="#">Notices Dictionary</a> .
start_address	String	The first IP address in a network block.
status	List	List indicating the state of a registered object.
type	String	The RIR classification of a registered network.

## Objects Dictionary

The dictionary mapped to the object (entity) key in the objects list within [Results Dictionary](#).

Key	Type	Description
contact	Dict	Contact information registered with an RIR object. See <a href="#">Objects Contact Dictionary</a> .
entities	List	List of object names referenced by an RIR object. Map these to other objects dictionary keys.
events	List	List of event dictionaries. See <a href="#">Events Dictionary</a> .
events_actor	List	List of event (no actor) dictionaries. See <a href="#">Events Dictionary</a> .
handle	String	Unique identifier for a registered object.
links	List	List of HTTP/HTTPS links provided for an RIR object.
notices	List	List of notice dictionaries. See <a href="#">Notices Dictionary</a> .
remarks	List	List of remark (notice) dictionaries. See <a href="#">Notices Dictionary</a> .
roles	List	List of roles assigned to a registered object.
status	List	List indicating the state of a registered object.

## Objects Contact Dictionary

The contact information dictionary registered to an RIR object. This is the contact key contained in *Objects Dictionary*.

Key	Type	Description
address	List	List of contact postal address dictionaries. Contains key type and value.
email	List	List of contact email address dictionaries. Contains key type and value.
kind	String	The contact information kind (individual, group, org).
name	String	The contact name.
phone	List	List of contact phone number dictionaries. Contains key type and value.
role	String	The contact's role.
title	String	The contact's position or job title.

## Events Dictionary

Common to lists in *Network Dictionary* and *Objects Dictionary*. Contained in events and events\_actor (no actor).

Key	Type	Description
action	String	The reason for an event.
timestamp	String	The date an event occurred in ISO 8601 format.
actor	String	The identifier for an event initiator (if any).

## Notices Dictionary

Common to lists in *Network Dictionary* and *Objects Dictionary*. Contained in notices and remarks.

Key	Type	Description
title	String	The title/header for a notice.
description	String	The description/body of a notice.
links	List	List of HTTP/HTTPS links provided for a notice.

## 6.3 Upgrading from 0.10 to 0.11

Considerable changes were made between v0.10.3 and v0.11.0. The new RDAP return format was introduced and split off from the legacy whois return format. Using RDAP lookup is the recommended method to maximize indexable values.

RDAP return data is different in nearly every way from the legacy whois data.

For information on raw RDAP responses, please see the RFC: <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7483>

## 6.4 Usage Examples

### 6.4.1 Basic usage

```
>>>> from ipwhois import IPWhois
>>>> from pprint import pprint

>>>> obj = IPWhois('74.125.225.229')
>>>> results = obj.lookup_rdap(depth=1)
>>>> pprint(results)
```

```
{
  'asn': '15169',
  'asn_cidr': '74.125.225.0/24',
  'asn_country_code': 'US',
  'asn_date': '2007-03-13',
  'asn_registry': 'arin',
  'entities': [u'GOGL'],
  'network': {
    'cidr': '74.125.0.0/16',
    'country': None,
    'end_address': '74.125.255.255',
    'events': [{
      'action': u'last changed',
      'actor': None,
      'timestamp': u'2012-02-24T09:44:34-05:00'
    },
    {
      'action': u'registration',
      'actor': None,
      'timestamp': u'2007-03-13T12:09:54-04:00'
    }
  ],
  'handle': u'NET-74-125-0-0-1',
  'ip_version': u'v4',
  'links': [
    u'https://rdap.arin.net/registry/ip/074.125.000.000',
    u'https://whois.arin.net/rest/net/NET-74-125-0-0-1'
  ],
  'name': u'GOOGLE',
  'notices': [{
    'description': u'By using the ARIN RDAP/Whois service, you are
      agreeing to the RDAP/Whois Terms of Use',
    'links': [u'https://www.arin.net/whois_tou.html'],
    'title': u'Terms of Service'
  }],
  'parent_handle': u'NET-74-0-0-0-0',
  'raw': None,
  'remarks': None,
  'start_address': '74.125.0.0',
  'status': None,
  'type': None
},
'objects': {
  u'ABUSE5250-ARIN': {
    'contact': {
      'address': [{
        'type': None,
        'value': u'1600 Amphitheatre Parkway\nMountain View\nCA\n
          94043\nUNITED STATES'
      }],
      'email': [{
        'type': None,
        'value': u'network-abuse@google.com'
      }],
      'kind': u'group',
      'name': u'Abuse',
      'phone': [{
        'type': [u'work', u'voice'],
```

```

        'value': u'+1-650-253-0000'
    }},
    'role': None,
    'title': None
},
'entities': None,
'events': [{
    'action': u'last changed',
    'actor': None,
    'timestamp': u'2015-11-06T15:36:35-05:00'
}],
{
    'action': u'registration',
    'actor': None,
    'timestamp': u'2015-11-06T15:36:35-05:00'
}],
'events_actor': None,
'handle': u'ABUSE5250-ARIN',
'links': [
    u'https://rdap.arin.net/registry/entity/ABUSE5250-ARIN',
    u'https://whois.arin.net/rest/poc/ABUSE5250-ARIN'
],
'notices': [{
    'description': u'By using the ARIN RDAP/Whois service, you are
        agreeing to the RDAP/Whois Terms of Use',
    'links': [u'https://www.arin.net/whois_tou.html'],
    'title': u'Terms of Service'}],
'raw': None,
'remarks': [{
    'description': u'Please note that the recommended way to file
        abuse complaints are located in the following links.\r\n\r
        \nToreport abuse and illegal activity:
        https://www.google.com/intl/en_US/goodtoknow/online-safety
        /reporting-abuse/ \r\n\r\nFor legal requests:
        http://support.google.com/legal \r\n\r\n
        Regards,\r\nThe Google Team',
    'links': None,
    'title': u'Registration Comments'
}],
'roles': None,
'status': [u'validated']
},
u'GOGL': {
    'contact': {
        'address': [{
            'type': None,
            'value': u'1600 Amphitheatre Parkway\nMountain View\nCA\n
                94043\nUNITED STATES'
        }],
        'email': None,
        'kind': u'org',
        'name': u'Google Inc.',
        'phone': None,
        'role': None,
        'title': None
    },
    'entities': [u'ABUSE5250-ARIN', u'ZG39-ARIN'],
    'events': [{

```

```
    'action': u'last changed',
    'actor': None,
    'timestamp': u'2015-11-06T15:45:54-05:00'
  },
  {
    'action': u'registration',
    'actor': None,
    'timestamp': u'2000-03-30T00:00:00-05:00'
  }],
  'events_actor': None,
  'handle': u'GOGL',
  'links': [
    u'https://rdap.arin.net/registry/entity/GOGL',
    u'https://whois.arin.net/rest/org/GOGL'
  ],
  'notices': None,
  'raw': None,
  'remarks': None,
  'roles': [u'registrant'],
  'status': None
},
u'ZG39-ARIN': {
  'contact': {
    'address': [{
      'type': None,
      'value': u'1600 Amphitheatre Parkway\nMountain View\nCA\n94043\nUNITED STATES'
    }],
    'email': [{
      'type': None,
      'value': u'arin-contact@google.com'
    }],
    'kind': u'group',
    'name': u'Google Inc',
    'phone': [{
      'type': [u'work', u'voice'],
      'value': u'+1-650-253-0000'
    }],
    'role': None,
    'title': None
  },
  'entities': None,
  'events': [{
    'action': u'last changed',
    'actor': None,
    'timestamp': u'2015-09-01T14:03:11-04:00'
  }],
  {
    'action': u'registration',
    'actor': None,
    'timestamp': u'2000-11-30T13:54:08-05:00'
  }],
  'events_actor': None,
  'handle': u'ZG39-ARIN',
  'links': [
    u'https://rdap.arin.net/registry/entity/ZG39-ARIN',
    u'https://whois.arin.net/rest/poc/ZG39-ARIN'
  ],
}
```



```

    'notices': [{
        'description': u'By using the ARIN RDAP/Whois service, you are
            agreeing to the RDAP/Whois Terms of Use',
        'links': [u'https://www.arin.net/whois_tou.html'],
        'title': u'Terms of Service'
    }],
    'raw': None,
    'remarks': None,
    'roles': None,
    'status': [u'validated']
},
'query': '74.125.225.229',
'raw': None
}

```

## 6.4.2 Use a proxy

```

>>>> from urllib import request
>>>> from ipwhois import IPWhois
>>>> handler = request.ProxyHandler({'http': 'http://192.168.0.1:80/'})
>>>> opener = request.build_opener(handler)
>>>> obj = IPWhois('74.125.225.229', proxy_opener = opener)

```

## 6.4.3 Optimizing queries for your network

Multiple factors will slow your queries down. Several *Input* arguments assist in optimizing query performance:

### bootstrap

**False:** ASN lookups are performed to determine the correct RIR to query RDAP. This adds minor overhead for single queries.

**True:** Use ARIN bootstrap (redirection), significantly reducing overall time for bulk queries, but at the sacrifice of not having `asn*` field data in the results.

### depth

This value equates to the number of entity levels deep to search for sub-entity information. Found entities each result in a query to the RIR. The larger this value, the longer a single IP query will take. More queries will cause RIR rate limiting to trigger more often for bulk IP queries (only seen with LACNIC).

### retry\_count

This is the number of times to retry a query in the case of failure. If a rate limit error (`HTTPRateLimitError`) is raised, the lookup will wait for `rate_limit_timeout` seconds before retrying. A combination of adjusting `retry_count` and `rate_limit_timeout` is needed to optimize bulk queries.

When performing bulk IP lookups, the goal should be to acquire as much data, as fast as possible. If you have multiple IP lookups, in a row, that belong to the same RIR (generally LACNIC), the chance to hit rate limiting errors increases (also depending on bootstrap, depth, network speeds).

One option to increase bulk query performance is to disable retries and store the errored IPs in a list for the next round of lookups (loop your bulk queries until all IPs resolve). Disable retries by setting `retry_count=0`

### **rate\_limit\_timeout**

When a `HTTPRateLimitError` is raised, and `retry_count > 0`, this is the amount of seconds to sleep before retrying the query. Using the default value, or setting this too high, will have a large impact on bulk IP queries. I recommend setting this very low for bulk queries, or disable completely by setting `retry_count=0`.

Note that setting this result too low may cause a larger number of IP lookups to fail.

## Legacy Whois Lookups

`IPWhois.lookup()` is deprecated as of v0.12.0 and will be removed. Legacy whois lookups were moved to `IPWhois.lookup_whois()`.

Parsing is currently limited to the keys in the output *Results Dictionary*. This is assuming that those fields are present (for both whois and rwhois).

Some IPs have parent networks listed. The parser attempts to recognize this, and break the networks into individual dictionaries. If a single network has multiple CIDRs, they will be separated by ‘, ‘.

Sometimes, you will see whois information with multiple consecutive same name fields, e.g., Description: some text\nDescription: more text. The parser will recognize this and the returned result will have the values separated by ‘\n’.

### 7.1 Input

Arguments supported by `IPWhois.lookup_whois()`.

Key	Type	Description
<code>inc_raw</code>	Bool	Boolean for whether to include the raw whois results in the returned dictionary.
<code>retry_count</code>	Int	The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
<code>get_referral</code>	Bool	Boolean for whether to retrieve referral whois information, if available.
<code>extra_blacklist</code>	List	A list of blacklisted whois servers in addition to the global BLACKLIST.
<code>ignore_referral_errors</code>	Bool	Boolean for whether to ignore and continue when an exception is encountered on referral whois lookups.
<code>field_list</code>	List	If provided, a list of fields to parse: ['name', 'handle', 'description', 'country', 'state', 'city', 'address', 'postal_code', 'emails', 'created', 'updated']
<code>asn_alts</code>	List	Array of additional lookup types to attempt if the ASN dns lookup fails. Allow permutations must be enabled. Defaults to all ['whois', 'http'].
<code>extra_org_map</code>	Dict	Dictionary mapping org handles to RIRs. This is for limited cases where ARIN REST (ASN fallback HTTP lookup) does not show an RIR as the org handle e.g., DNIC (which is now built in ORG_MAP) e.g., { 'DNIC': 'arin' } Valid RIR values are (note the case-sensitive - this is meant to match the REST result): 'ARIN', 'RIPE', 'apnic', 'lacnic', 'afrinic'

## 7.2 Output

### 7.2.1 Results Dictionary

The output dictionary from `IPWhois.lookup_whois()`.

Key	Type	Description
query	String	The IP address input
asn	String	Globally unique identifier used for routing information exchange with Autonomous Systems.
asn_cidr	String	Network routing block assigned to an ASN.
asn_country_code	String	ASN assigned country code in ISO 3166-1 format.
asn_date	String	ASN allocation date in ISO 8601 format.
asn_registry	String	ASN assigned regional internet registry.
nets	List	List of network dictionaries. See <a href="#">Network Dictionary</a> .
raw	String	Raw whois results if <code>inc_raw</code> is <code>True</code> .
referral	Dict	Referral whois information if <code>get_referral</code> is <code>True</code> and the server isn't blacklisted. See <a href="#">Referral Dictionary</a> .
raw_referral	String	Raw referral whois results if the <code>inc_raw</code> parameter is <code>True</code> .

### Network Dictionary

The dictionary mapped to the `nets` key in the [Results Dictionary](#).

Key	Type	Description
cidr	String	Network routing block an IP address belongs to.
range	String	Network range an IP address belongs to.
name	String	The identifier assigned to the network registration for an IP address.
handle	String	Unique identifier for a registered network.
description	String	Description for a registered network.
country	String	Country code registered with the RIR in ISO 3166-1 format.
state	String	State for a registered network (if applicable).
city	String	City for a registered network (if applicable).
address	String	The mailing address for a registered network.
postal_code	String	The postal code for a registered network.
emails	List	The email addresses listed for a registered network.
created	String	Network registration date in ISO 8601 format.
updated	String	Network registration updated date in ISO 8601 format.

### Referral Dictionary

The dictionary mapped to the `referral` key in the [Results Dictionary](#).

Key	Type	Description
cidr	String	Network routing block an IP address belongs to.
range	String	Network range an IP address belongs to.
name	String	The identifier assigned to the network registration for an IP address.
description	String	Description for a registered network.
country	String	Country code registered in ISO 3166-1 format.
state	String	State for a registered network (if applicable).
city	String	City for a registered network (if applicable).
address	String	The mailing address for a registered network.
postal_code	String	The postal code for a registered network.
emails	List	The email addresses listed for a registered network.
created	String	Network registration date in ISO 8601 format.
updated	String	Network registration updated date in ISO 8601 format.

## 7.3 Usage Examples

### 7.3.1 Basic usage

```

>>>> from ipwhois import IPWhois
>>>> from pprint import pprint

>>>> obj = IPWhois('74.125.225.229')
>>>> results = obj.lookup_whois()
>>>> pprint(results)

{
  'asn': '15169',
  'asn_cidr': '74.125.225.0/24',
  'asn_country_code': 'US',
  'asn_date': '2007-03-13',
  'asn_registry': 'arin',
  'nets': [{
    'address': '1600 Amphitheatre Parkway',
    'cidr': '74.125.0.0/16',
    'city': 'Mountain View',
    'country': 'US',
    'created': '2007-03-13',
    'description': 'Google Inc.',
    'emails': [
      'arin-contact@google.com',
      'network-abuse@google.com'
    ],
    'handle': 'NET-74-125-0-0-1',
    'name': 'GOOGLE',
    'postal_code': '94043',
    'range': '74.125.0.0 - 74.125.255.255',
    'state': 'CA',
    'updated': '2012-02-24'
  }],
  'query': '74.125.225.229',
  'raw': None,
  'raw_referral': None,
  'referral': None
}

```

### 7.3.2 Multiple networks listed and referral whois

```
>>>> from ipwhois import IPWhois
>>>> from pprint import pprint

>>>> obj = IPWhois('38.113.198.252')
>>>> results = obj.lookup_whois(get_referral=True)
>>>> pprint(results)

{
  'asn': '174',
  'asn_cidr': '38.0.0.0/8',
  'asn_country_code': 'US',
  'asn_date': '',
  'asn_registry': 'arin',
  'nets': [{ 'address': '2450 N Street NW',
    'cidr': '38.0.0.0/8',
    'city': 'Washington',
    'country': 'US',
    'created': '1991-04-16',
    'description': 'PSINet, Inc.',
    'emails': [
      'noc@cogentco.com',
      'abuse@cogentco.com',
      'ipalloc@cogentco.com'
    ],
    'handle': 'NET-38-0-0-0-1',
    'name': 'COGENT-A',
    'postal_code': '20037',
    'range': '38.0.0.0 - 38.255.255.255',
    'state': 'DC',
    'updated': '2011-05-20'},
    { 'address': '2450 N Street NW',
    'cidr': '38.112.0.0/13',
    'city': 'Washington',
    'country': 'US',
    'created': '2003-08-20',
    'description': 'PSINet, Inc.',
    'emails': [
      'noc@cogentco.com',
      'abuse@cogentco.com',
      'ipalloc@cogentco.com'
    ],
    'handle': 'NET-38-112-0-0-1',
    'name': 'COGENT-NB-0002',
    'postal_code': '20037',
    'range': None,
    'state': 'DC',
    'updated': '2004-03-11'}],
  'query': '38.113.198.252',
  'raw': None,
  'raw_referral': None,
  'referral': { 'address': '1015 31st St NW',
    'city': 'Washington',
    'country': 'US',
    'description': 'Cogent communications - IPENG',
    'name': 'NET4-2671C60017',
    'postal_code': '20007',
```

```
'state': 'DC',  
'updated': '2007-09-18 22:02:09'}  
}
```





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## NIR (National Internet Registry)

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IPWhois.nir provides functionality for national registries which restrict information on regional registries. Currently, JPNIC (Japan) and KRNIC (South Korea) are supported.

### 8.1 Input (IPWhois Wrapper)

NIR is included by default (`inc_nir=True`) in the wrapper functions: `IPWhois.lookup()`, `IPWhois.lookup_rdap()`. For use with the wrappers, see the following input documentation links:

RDAP documentation:

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/RDAP.html#input>

Legacy Whois documentation:

<https://ipwhois.readthedocs.io/en/latest/WHOIS.html#input>

### 8.2 Input (Direct)

If you prefer to use `NIRWhois(net).lookup()` directly, here are the input arguments for that function call:

Key	Type	Description
nir	String	The NIR to query ('jpnict' or 'krnic').
inc_raw	Bool	Boolean for whether to include the raw NIR whois results in the returned dictionary.
retry_count	Int	The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
re-sponse	String	Optional response object, this bypasses the NIR lookup.
field_list	List	If provided, a list of fields to parse: ['name', 'handle', 'country', 'address', 'postal_code', 'nameservers', 'created', 'updated', 'contacts']
is_offline	Bool	Boolean for whether to perform lookups offline. If True, response and asn_data must be provided. Primarily used for testing.

### 8.3 Output

If calling via an IPWhois wrapper, the NIR results are added to the RDAP/WHOIS result dictionary under the key 'nir'.

### 8.3.1 Results Dictionary

The NIR output dictionary (key: nir) from IPWhois.lookup() or IPWhois.lookup\_whois() results.

Key	Type	Description
query	String	The IP address input
nets	List	List of network dictionaries. See <i>Network Dictionary</i> .
raw	String	Raw NIR whois results if inc_raw is True.

#### Network Dictionary

The dictionary mapped to the nets key in the *Results Dictionary*.

Key	Type	Description
cidr	String	Network routing block an IP address belongs to.
range	String	Network range an IP address belongs to.
name	String	The identifier assigned to the network registration for an IP address.
handle	String	Unique identifier for a registered network.
country	String	Country code registered with the NIR in ISO 3166-1 format.
address	String	The mailing address for a registered network.
postal_code	String	The postal code for a registered network.
name-servers	List	The nameservers listed for a registered network.
created	String	Network registration date in ISO 8601 format.
updated	String	Network registration updated date in ISO 8601 format.
contacts	Dict	Dictionary with keys: admin, tech. Values map to contact dictionaries if found. See <i>Contact Dictionary</i> .

#### Contact Dictionary

The contact information dictionary registered to a NIR network object. This is ‘contacts’ -> ‘admin’/‘tech’ key in *Network Dictionary*.

Key	Type	Description
name	String	The contact’s name.
organization	String	The contact’s organization.
division	String	The contact’s division of the organization.
email	String	Contact email address.
reply_email	String	Contact reply email address.
updated	String	Updated date in ISO 8601 format.
phone	String	Contact phone number.
fax	String	Contact fax number.
title	String	The contact’s position or job title.

## 8.4 Usage Examples

### 8.4.1 Basic usage

inc\_nir defaults to true in IPWhois.lookup\_\*( ), but I will set it here to show the usage and results.

```

>>>> from ipwhois import IPWhois
>>>> from pprint import pprint

>>>> obj = IPWhois('133.1.2.5')
>>>> results = obj.lookup_whois(inc_nir=True)

{
  "asn": "4730",
  "asn_cidr": "133.1.0.0/16",
  "asn_country_code": "JP",
  "asn_date": "",
  "asn_registry": "apnic",
  "nets": [
    {
      "address": "Urbannet-Kanda Bldg 4F, 3-6-2 Uchi-Kanda, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-0047, Japan",
      "cidr": "133.0.0.0/8",
      "city": null,
      "country": "JP",
      "created": null,
      "description": "Japan Network Information Center",
      "emails": [
        "hm-changed@apnic.net",
        "hostmaster@nic.ad.jp",
        "ip-apnic@nic.ad.jp"
      ],
      "handle": "JNIC1-AP",
      "name": "JPNIC-NET-JP-ERX",
      "postal_code": null,
      "range": "133.0.0.0 - 133.255.255.255",
      "state": null,
      "updated": "20120828"
    }
  ],
  "nir": {
    "nets": [
      {
        "address": null,
        "cidr": "133.1.0.0/16",
        "contacts": {
          "admin": {
            "division": "Department of Information and Communications Technology Services",
            "email": "odins-room@odins.osaka-u.ac.jp",
            "fax": "06-6879-8988",
            "name": "Yoshihide, Minami",
            "organization": "Osaka University",
            "phone": "06-6879-8815",
            "reply_email": "reg@jpdirect.jp",
            "title": "Specialist",
            "updated": "2015-08-13T09:08:34"
          },
          "tech": {
            "division": "Department of Information and Communications Technology Services",
            "email": "odins-room@odins.osaka-u.ac.jp",
            "fax": "06-6879-8988",
            "name": "Yoshihide, Minami",
            "organization": "Osaka University",
            "phone": "06-6879-8815",
            "reply_email": "reg@jpdirect.jp",

```

```

        "title": "Specialist",
        "updated": "2015-08-13T09:08:34"
    },
    {
        "country": "JP",
        "created": null,
        "handle": "OSAKAU-NET",
        "name": "Osaka University",
        "nameservers": [
            "a.osaka-u.ac.jp",
            "b.osaka-u.ac.jp",
            "dns-x.sinet.ad.jp"
        ],
        "postal_code": null,
        "range": "133.1.0.1 - 133.1.255.255",
        "updated": "2015-01-14T02:50:03"
    }
],
"query": "133.1.2.5",
"raw": null
},
"query": "133.1.2.5",
"raw": null,
"raw_referral": null,
"referral": null
}

>>>> results = obj.lookup_rdap(depth=1, inc_nir=True)

{
  "asn": "4730",
  "asn_cidr": "133.1.0.0/16",
  "asn_country_code": "JP",
  "asn_date": "",
  "asn_registry": "apnic",
  "entities": [
    "JNIC1-AP"
  ],
  "network": {
    "cidr": "133.0.0.0/8",
    "country": "JP",
    "end_address": "133.255.255.255",
    "events": [
      {
        "action": "last changed",
        "actor": null,
        "timestamp": "2009-10-30T00:51:09Z"
      }
    ],
    "handle": "133.0.0.0 - 133.255.255.255",
    "ip_version": "v4",
    "links": [
      "http://rdap.apnic.net/ip/133.0.0.0/8"
    ],
    "name": "JPNIC-NET-JP-ERX",
    "notices": [
      {
        "description": "This is the APNIC WHOIS Database query service. The objects are in RDAP 1

```

```

        "links": [
            "http://www.apnic.net/db/dbcopyright.html"
        ],
        "title": "Terms and Conditions"
    }
],
"parent_handle": null,
"raw": null,
"remarks": [],
"start_address": "133.0.0.0",
"status": null,
"type": "ALLOCATED PORTABLE"
},
"nir": {
    "nets": [
        {
            "address": null,
            "cidr": "133.1.0.0/16",
            "contacts": {
                "admin": {
                    "division": "Department of Information and Communications Technology Services",
                    "email": "odins-room@odins.osaka-u.ac.jp",
                    "fax": "06-6879-8988",
                    "name": "Yoshihide, Minami",
                    "organization": "Osaka University",
                    "phone": "06-6879-8815",
                    "reply_email": "reg@jpdirect.jp",
                    "title": "Specialist",
                    "updated": "2015-08-13T09:08:34"
                },
                "tech": {
                    "division": "Department of Information and Communications Technology Services",
                    "email": "odins-room@odins.osaka-u.ac.jp",
                    "fax": "06-6879-8988",
                    "name": "Yoshihide, Minami",
                    "organization": "Osaka University",
                    "phone": "06-6879-8815",
                    "reply_email": "reg@jpdirect.jp",
                    "title": "Specialist",
                    "updated": "2015-08-13T09:08:34"
                }
            },
            "country": "JP",
            "created": null,
            "handle": "OSAKAU-NET",
            "name": "Osaka University",
            "nameservers": [
                "a.osaka-u.ac.jp",
                "b.osaka-u.ac.jp",
                "dns-x.sinet.ad.jp"
            ],
            "postal_code": null,
            "range": "133.1.0.1 - 133.1.255.255",
            "updated": "2015-01-14T02:50:03"
        }
    ],
    "query": "133.1.2.5",
    "raw": null
}

```

```
{,
"objects": {
  "JNIC1-AP": {
    "contact": {
      "address": [
        {
          "type": null,
          "value": "Urbannet-Kanda Bldg 4F\, 3-6-2 Uchi-Kanda\, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-0047,"
        }
      ],
      "email": [
        {
          "type": null,
          "value": "hostmaster@nic.ad.jp"
        }
      ],
      "kind": "group",
      "name": "Japan Network Information Center",
      "phone": [
        {
          "type": "voice",
          "value": "+81-3-5297-2311"
        },
        {
          "type": "fax",
          "value": "+81-3-5297-2312"
        }
      ],
      "role": null,
      "title": null
    },
    "entities": null,
    "events": null,
    "events_actor": null,
    "handle": "JNIC1-AP",
    "links": [
      "http://rdap.apnic.net/entity/JNIC1-AP"
    ],
    "notices": null,
    "raw": null,
    "remarks": null,
    "roles": [
      "administrative",
      "technical"
    ],
    "status": null
  }
},
"query": "133.1.2.5",
"raw": null
}
```

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## Utilities

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Many useful utilities are provided for IP addresses outside of whois functionality. The following utilities are used throughout the ipwhois library for validation and parsing.

### 9.1 Country Codes

The legacy country code listing (iso\_3166-1\_list\_en.xml) is no longer available as a free export from iso.org. Support has been added for iso\_3166-1.csv, which is now the default.

Use Legacy XML File:

```
>>>> from ipwhois.utils import get_countries
>>>> countries = get_countries(is_legacy_xml=True)
```

### 9.2 Human Readable Fields

Human readable translations are available for all result fields (RDAP and Legacy Whois). Translations are currently limited to the short name (\_short), the name (\_name), and the description (\_description).

See the ipwhois CLI (ipwhois\_utils\_cli.py) for an example.

Import the human readable translation dictionaries:

```
>>>> from ipwhois.hr import (HR_ASN, HR_RDAP_COMMON, HR_RDAP, HR_WHOIS)
```

### 9.3 Usage Examples

#### 9.3.1 IPv4 Strip Zeros

Strip leading zeros in each octet of an IPv4 address string.

```
>>>> from ipwhois.utils import ipv4_lstrip_zeros
>>>> print(ipv4_lstrip_zeros('074.125.025.229'))

74.125.25.229
```

### 9.3.2 CIDR Calculation

Get a list of CIDR range(s) from a start and end IP address.

```
>>>> from ipwhois.utils import calculate_cidr
>>>> print(calculate_cidr('192.168.0.9', '192.168.5.4'))

['192.168.0.9/32', '192.168.0.10/31', '192.168.0.12/30', '192.168.0.16/28',
'192.168.0.32/27', '192.168.0.64/26', '192.168.0.128/25', '192.168.1.0/24',
'192.168.2.0/23', '192.168.4.0/24', '192.168.5.0/30', '192.168.5.4/32']
```

### 9.3.3 Check if IP is reserved/defined

Check if an IPv4 or IPv6 address is in a reserved/defined pool.

```
>>>> from ipwhois.utils import (ipv4_is_defined, ipv6_is_defined)
>>>> print(ipv4_is_defined('192.168.0.1'))

(True, 'Private-Use Networks', 'RFC 1918')

>>>> print(ipv6_is_defined('fe80::'))

(True, 'Link-Local', 'RFC 4291, Section 2.5.6')
```

### 9.3.4 Country Code Mapping

Retrieve a dictionary mapping ISO 3166-1 country codes to country names.

```
>>>> from ipwhois import IPWhois
>>>> from ipwhois.utils import get_countries

>>>> countries = get_countries()
>>>> obj = IPWhois('74.125.225.229')
>>>> results = obj.lookup_whois(False)
>>>> print(countries[results['nets'][0]['country']])

United States
```

### 9.3.5 Iterable to unique elements (order preserved)

List unique elements, preserving the order. This was taken from the itertools recipes.

```
>>>> from ipwhois.utils import unique_everseen
>>>> print(list(unique_everseen(['b', 'a', 'b', 'a', 'c', 'a', 'b', 'c'])))

['b', 'a', 'c']
```

### 9.3.6 Parse IPs/ports from text/file

Search an input string and/or file, extracting and counting IPv4/IPv6 addresses/networks. Summarizes ports with sub-counts.



```
>>>> from ipwhois.utils import unique_addresses
>>>> from pprint import pprint

>>>> input_data = (
    'You can have IPs like 74.125.225.229, or 2001:4860:4860::8888'
    'Put a port at the end 74.125.225.229:80 or for IPv6: '
    '[2001:4860:4860::8888]:443 or even networks like '
    '74.125.0.0/16 and 2001:4860::/32.'
)

>>>> results = unique_addresses(data=input_data, file_path=None)
>>>> pprint(results)

{'2001:4860:4860::8888': {'count': 2, 'ports': {'443': 1}},
 '2001:4860::/32': {'count': 1, 'ports': {}},
 '74.125.0.0/16': {'count': 1, 'ports': {}},
 '74.125.225.229': {'count': 2, 'ports': {'80': 1}}}
```



`ipwhois_cli.py` and `ipwhois_utils_cli.py` are command line interfaces for the `ipwhois` library. When using `pip` to install `ipwhois`, the CLI scripts are installed to your Python environment Scripts directory.

- `ipwhois_cli.py` has full `ipwhois.py` functionality.
- `ipwhois_utils_cli.py` has full `utils.py` functionality.
- The others (`net.py`, `rdap.py`, `whois.py`) will be included in a future release.

## 10.1 ipwhois\_cli.py

### 10.1.1 Usage

```
ipwhois_cli.py [-h] [-whois] [--exclude_nir] [--json] [--hr] [--show_name] [--colorize] [--timeout TIMEOUT]
                [--proxy_http "PROXY_HTTP"] [--proxy_https "PROXY_HTTPS"] [--disallow_permutations]
                [--inc_raw] [--retry_count RETRY_COUNT] [--asn_alts "ASN_ALTS"] [--extra_org_map "ASN_ALTS"]
                [--depth COLOR_DEPTH] [--excluded_entities "EXCLUDED_ENTITIES"] [--bootstrap]
                [--rate_limit_timeout RATE_LIMIT_TIMEOUT] [--get_referral] [--extra_blacklist "EXTRA_BLACKLIST"]
                [--ignore_referral_errors] [--field_list "FIELD_LIST"] [--nir_field_list "NIR_FIELD_LIST"] --addr "IP"
```

`ipwhois` CLI interface

#### optional arguments:

<b>-h, --help</b>	show this help message and exit
<b>--whois</b>	Retrieve whois data via legacy Whois (port 43) instead of RDAP (default).
<b>--exclude_nir</b>	Disable NIR whois lookups (JPNIC, KRNIC). This is the opposite of the <code>ipwhois inc_nir</code> , in order to enable <code>inc_nir</code> by default in the CLI.
<b>--json</b>	Output results in JSON format.

#### Output options:

<b>--hr</b>	If set, returns results with human readable key translations.
<b>--show_name</b>	If this and <code>--hr</code> are set, the key name is shown in parentheses after its short value
<b>--colorize</b>	If set, colorizes the output using ANSI. Should work in most platform consoles.

#### IPWhois settings:

- timeout TIMEOUT** The default timeout for socket connections in seconds.
- proxy\_http PROXY\_HTTP** The proxy HTTP address passed to request.ProxyHandler. User auth can be passed like “<http://user:pass@192.168.0.1:80>”
- proxy\_https PROXY\_HTTPS** The proxy HTTPS address passed to request.ProxyHandler. User auth can be passed like “<https://user:pass@192.168.0.1:443>”
- disallow\_permutations** Disable additional methods if DNS lookups to Cymru fail. This is the opposite of the ipwhois allow\_permutations, in order to enable allow\_permutations by default in the CLI.

#### Common settings (RDAP & Legacy Whois):

- inc\_raw** Include the raw whois results in the output.
- retry\_count RETRY\_COUNT** The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- asn\_alts ASN\_ALTS** A comma delimited list of additional lookup types to attempt if the ASN dns lookup fails. Allow permutations must be enabled. Defaults to all: “whois,http”
- extra\_org\_map ASN\_ALTS** Dictionary mapping org handles to RIRs. This is for limited cases where ARIN REST (ASN fallback HTTP lookup) does not show an RIR as the org handle e.g., DNIC (which is now the built in ORG\_MAP) e.g., {“DNIC”: “arin”}. Valid RIR values are (note the case-sensitive - this is meant to match the REST result): ‘ARIN’, ‘RIPE’, ‘apnic’, ‘lacnic’, ‘afrinic’

#### RDAP settings:

- depth COLOR\_DEPTH** If not -whois, how many levels deep to run RDAP queries when additional referenced objects are found.
- excluded\_entities EXCLUDED\_ENTITIES** If not -whois, a comma delimited list of entity handles to not perform lookups.
- bootstrap** If not -whois, performs lookups via ARIN bootstrap rather than lookups based on ASN data. ASN lookups are not performed and no output for any of the asn\* fields is provided.
- rate\_limit\_timeout RATE\_LIMIT\_TIMEOUT** If not -whois, the number of seconds to wait before retrying when a rate limit notice is returned via rdap+json.

#### Legacy Whois settings:

- get\_referral** If -whois, retrieve referral whois information, if available.
- extra\_blacklist EXTRA\_BLACKLIST** If -whois, A list of blacklisted whois servers in addition to the global BLACKLIST.
- ignore\_referral\_errors** If -whois, ignore and continue when an exception is encountered on referral whois lookups.
- field\_list FIELD\_LIST** If -whois, a list of fields to parse: [‘name’, ‘handle’, ‘description’, ‘country’, ‘state’, ‘city’, ‘address’, ‘postal\_code’, ‘emails’, ‘created’, ‘updated’]

#### NIR (National Internet Registry) settings:

- nir\_field\_list NIR\_FIELD\_LIST** If not -exclude\_nir, a list of fields to parse: [‘name’, ‘handle’, ‘country’, ‘address’, ‘postal\_code’, ‘nameservers’, ‘created’, ‘updated’, ‘contact\_admin’, ‘contact\_tech’]

**Input (Required):**

**--addr IP**                    An IPv4 or IPv6 address as a string.

## 10.1.2 Usage Examples

**Basic usage**

```
ipwhois_cli.py --addr 74.125.225.229 --hr --show_name --colorize --depth 1
```

## 10.2 ipwhois\_utils\_cli.py

### 10.2.1 Usage

**ipwhois\_utils\_cli.py** [-h] [--ipv4\_lstrip\_zeros IPADDRESS] [--calculate\_cidr IPADDRESS IPADDRESS] [--get\_countries] [--get\_country COUNTRYCODE] [--ipv4\_is\_defined IPADDRESS] [--ipv6\_is\_defined IPADDRESS] [--unique\_everseen ITERABLE] [--unique\_addresses FILEPATH] [--colorize]

ipwhois utilities CLI interface

**optional arguments:**

**-h, --help**                    show this help message and exit

**--ipv4\_lstrip\_zeros IPADDRESS** Strip leading zeros in each octet of an IPv4 address.

**--calculate\_cidr IPADDRESSRANGE** Calculate a CIDR range(s) from a start and end IP address. Separate start and end address arguments by space.

**--get\_countries**              Output a dictionary containing ISO\_3166-1 country codes to names.

**--get\_country COUNTRYCODE** Output the ISO\_3166-1 name for a country code.

**--ipv4\_is\_defined IPADDRESS** Check if an IPv4 address is defined (in a reserved address range).

**--ipv6\_is\_defined IPADDRESS** Check if an IPv6 address is defined (in a reserved address range).

**--unique\_everseen ITERABLE** List unique elements from input iterable, preserving the order.

**--unique\_addresses FILEPATH** Search an input file, extracting, counting, and summarizing IPv4/IPv6 addresses/networks.

**Output options:**

**--colorize**                    If set, colorizes the output using ANSI. Should work in most platform consoles.

### 10.2.2 Usage Examples

**ipv4\_lstrip\_zeros**

```
>>>> ipwhois_utils_cli.py --ipv4_lstrip_zeros 074.125.025.229
74.125.25.229
```

### **calculate\_cidr**

```
>>>> ipwhois_utils_cli.py --calculate_cidr 192.168.0.9 192.168.5.4

Found 12 CIDR blocks for (192.168.0.9, 192.168.5.4):
192.168.0.9/32
192.168.0.10/31
192.168.0.12/30
192.168.0.16/28
192.168.0.32/27
192.168.0.64/26
192.168.0.128/25
192.168.1.0/24
192.168.2.0/23
192.168.4.0/24
192.168.5.0/30
192.168.5.4/32
```

### **get\_countries**

```
>>>> ipwhois_utils_cli.py --get_countries

Found 252 countries:
AD: Andorra
AE: United Arab Emirates
AF: Afghanistan
AG: Antigua and Barbuda
AI: Anguilla
AL: Albania
AM: Armenia
...
```

### **get\_country**

```
>>>> ipwhois_utils_cli.py --get_country US

Match found for country code (US):
United States
```

### **ipv4\_is\_defined**

```
>>>> ipwhois_utils_cli.py --ipv4_is_defined 192.168.0.1

192.168.0.1 is defined:
Name: Private-Use Networks
RFC: RFC 1918
```

### **ipv6\_is\_defined**

```
>>>> ipwhois_utils_cli.py --ipv6_is_defined fc00::

fc00:: is defined:
```

Name: Unique Local Unicast RFC: RFC 4193
---

### unique\_everseen

>>>> ipwhois_utils_cli.py --unique_everseen [4,2,6,4,6,2]  Unique everseen: [4, 2, 6]
--

### unique\_addresses

>>>> ipwhois_utils_cli.py --unique_addresses /tmp/some.file  Found 477 unique addresses: 74.125.225.229: Count: 5, Ports: {'22': 1} 2001:4860::/32: Count: 4, Ports: {'443': 1, '80': 2} 2001:4860:4860::8888: Count: 3, Ports: {} ...
--





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## Library Structure

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```
class ipwhois.ipwhois.IPWhois (address, timeout=5, proxy_opener=None, allow_permutations=True)
```

The wrapper class for performing whois/RDAP lookups and parsing for IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.

### Parameters

- **address** – An IPv4 or IPv6 address as a string, integer, IPv4Address, or IPv6Address.
- **timeout** – The default timeout for socket connections in seconds.
- **proxy\_opener** – The urllib.request.OpenerDirector request for proxy support or None.
- **allow\_permutations** – allow net.Net() to use additional methods if DNS lookups to Cymru fail.

```
lookup (*args, **kwargs)
```

Temporary wrapper for legacy whois lookups (moved to IPWhois.lookup\_whois()). This will be removed in a future release (1.0.0).

```
lookup_rdap (inc_raw=False, retry_count=3, depth=0, excluded_entities=None, bootstrap=False, rate_limit_timeout=120, asn_alts=None, extra_org_map=None, inc_nir=True, nir_field_list=None)
```

The function for retrieving and parsing whois information for an IP address via HTTP (RDAP).

**This is now the recommended method, as RDAP contains much better information to parse.**

### Parameters

- **inc\_raw** – Boolean for whether to include the raw whois results in the returned dictionary.
- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **depth** – How many levels deep to run queries when additional referenced objects are found.
- **excluded\_entities** – A list of entity handles to not perform lookups.
- **bootstrap** – If True, performs lookups via ARIN bootstrap rather than lookups based on ASN data. ASN lookups are not performed and no output for any of the asn\* fields is provided.
- **rate\_limit\_timeout** – The number of seconds to wait before retrying when a rate limit notice is returned via rdap+json.
- **asn\_alts** – Array of additional lookup types to attempt if the ASN dns lookup fails. Allow permutations must be enabled. Defaults to all ['whois', 'http'].

- **extra\_org\_map** – Dictionary mapping org handles to RIRs. This is for limited cases where ARIN REST (ASN fallback HTTP lookup) does not show an RIR as the org handle e.g., DNIC (which is now the built in ORG\_MAP) e.g., {'DNIC': 'arin'}. Valid RIR values are (note the case-sensitive - this is meant to match the REST result): 'ARIN', 'RIPE', 'apnic', 'lacnic', 'afrinic'
- **inc\_nir** – Boolean for whether to retrieve NIR (National Internet Registry) information, if registry is JPNIC (Japan) or KRNIC (Korea). If True, extra network requests will be required. If False, the information returned for JP or KR IPs is severely restricted.
- **nir\_field\_list** – If provided and inc\_nir, a list of fields to parse: ['name', 'handle', 'country', 'address', 'postal\_code', 'nameservers', 'created', 'updated', 'contacts']

#### Returns

**query** The IP address (String)

**asn** The Autonomous System Number (String)

**asn\_date** The ASN Allocation date (String)

**asn\_registry** The assigned ASN registry (String)

**asn\_cidr** The assigned ASN CIDR (String)

**asn\_country\_code** The assigned ASN country code (String)

**entities** List of entity handles referred by the top level query.

**network** Dictionary containing network information which consists of the fields listed in the ipwhois.rdap.\_RDAPNetwork dict.

**objects** Dictionary of (entity handle: entity dict) which consists of the fields listed in the ipwhois.rdap.\_RDAPEntity dict.

**raw** (Dictionary) - Whois results in json format if the inc\_raw parameter is True.

**nir** (Dictionary) - nir.NIRWhois() results if inc\_nir is True.

**Return type** Dictionary

**lookup\_whois** (*inc\_raw=False, retry\_count=3, get\_referral=False, extra\_blacklist=None, ignore\_referral\_errors=False, field\_list=None, asn\_alts=None, extra\_org\_map=None, inc\_nir=True, nir\_field\_list=None*)

The function for retrieving and parsing whois information for an IP address via port 43 (WHOIS).

#### Parameters

- **inc\_raw** – Boolean for whether to include the raw whois results in the returned dictionary.
- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **get\_referral** – Boolean for whether to retrieve referral whois information, if available.
- **extra\_blacklist** – A list of blacklisted whois servers in addition to the global BLACKLIST.
- **ignore\_referral\_errors** – Boolean for whether to ignore and continue when an exception is encountered on referral whois lookups.
- **field\_list** – If provided, a list of fields to parse: ['name', 'handle', 'description', 'country', 'state', 'city', 'address', 'postal\_code', 'emails', 'created', 'updated']

- **asn\_alts** – Array of additional lookup types to attempt if the ASN dns lookup fails. Allow permutations must be enabled. Defaults to all ['whois', 'http'].
- **extra\_org\_map** – Dictionary mapping org handles to RIRs. This is for limited cases where ARIN REST (ASN fallback HTTP lookup) does not show an RIR as the org handle e.g., DNIC (which is now the built in ORG\_MAP) e.g., {'DNIC': 'arin'}. Valid RIR values are (note the case-sensitive - this is meant to match the REST result): 'ARIN', 'RIPE', 'apnic', 'lacnic', 'afrinic'
- **inc\_nir** – Boolean for whether to retrieve NIR (National Internet Registry) information, if registry is JPNIC (Japan) or KRNIC (Korea). If True, extra network requests will be required. If False, the information returned for JP or KR IPs is severely restricted.
- **nir\_field\_list** – If provided and inc\_nir, a list of fields to parse: ['name', 'handle', 'country', 'address', 'postal\_code', 'nameservers', 'created', 'updated', 'contacts']

#### Returns

**query** The IP address (String)

**asn** The Autonomous System Number (String)

**asn\_date** The ASN Allocation date (String)

**asn\_registry** The assigned ASN registry (String)

**asn\_cidr** The assigned ASN CIDR (String)

**asn\_country\_code** The assigned ASN country code (String)

**nets** Dictionaries containing network information which consists of the fields listed in the ipwhois.whois.RIR\_WHOIS dictionary. (List)

**raw** Raw whois results if the inc\_raw parameter is True. (String)

**referral** Dictionary of referral whois information if get\_referral is True and the server isn't blacklisted. Consists of fields listed in the ipwhois.whois.RWHOIS dictionary.

**raw\_referral** Raw referral whois results if the inc\_raw parameter is True. (String)

**nir** (Dictionary) - nir.NIRWhois() results if inc\_nir is True.

#### Return type Dictionary

**class ipwhois.net.Net** (*address, timeout=5, proxy\_opener=None, allow\_permutations=True*)  
The class for performing network queries.

#### Parameters

- **address** – An IPv4 or IPv6 address in string format.
- **timeout** – The default timeout for socket connections in seconds.
- **proxy\_opener** – The urllib.request.OpenerDirector request for proxy support or None.
- **allow\_permutations** – Use additional methods if DNS lookups to Cymru fail.

**Raises** IPDefinedError – The address provided is defined (does not need to be resolved).

**get\_asn\_dns** (*result=None*)

The function for retrieving ASN information for an IP address from Cymru via port 53 (DNS).

**Parameters** **result** – Optional result object. This bypasses the ASN lookup.

#### Returns

**A dictionary containing the following keys:** `asn` (String) - The Autonomous System Number. `asn_date` (String) - The ASN Allocation date. `asn_registry` (String) - The assigned ASN registry. `asn_cidr` (String) - The assigned ASN CIDR. `asn_country_code` (String) - The assigned ASN country code.

**Return type** Dictionary

**Raises**

- `ASNRegistryError` – The ASN registry is not known.
- `ASNLookupError` – The ASN lookup failed.

**`get_asn_http`** (*retry\_count=3, result=None, extra\_org\_map=None*)

The function for retrieving ASN information for an IP address from Arin via port 80 (HTTP). Currently limited to fetching `asn_registry` through a Arin whois (REST) lookup. The other values are returned as `None` to keep a consistent dict output. This should be used as a last chance fallback call behind ASN DNS & ASN Whois lookups.

**Parameters**

- **`retry_count`** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **`result`** – Optional result object. This bypasses the ASN lookup.
- **`extra_org_map`** – Dictionary mapping org handles to RIRs. This is for limited cases where ARIN REST (ASN fallback HTTP lookup) does not show an RIR as the org handle e.g., DNIC (which is now the built in `ORG_MAP`) e.g., `{‘DNIC’: ‘arin’}`. Valid RIR values are (note the case-sensitive - this is meant to match the REST result): `‘ARIN’`, `‘RIPE’`, `‘apnic’`, `‘lacnic’`, `‘afrinic’`

**Returns**

**A dictionary containing the following keys:** `asn` (String) - `None`, can’t retrieve with this method. `asn_date` (String) - `None`, can’t retrieve with this method. `asn_registry` (String) - The assigned ASN registry. `asn_cidr` (String) - `None`, can’t retrieve with this method. `asn_country_code` (String) - `None`, can’t retrieve with this method.

**Return type** Dictionary

**Raises**

- `ASNRegistryError` – The ASN registry is not known.
- `ASNLookupError` – The ASN lookup failed.

**`get_asn_whois`** (*retry\_count=3, result=None*)

The function for retrieving ASN information for an IP address from Cymru via port 43/tcp (WHOIS).

**Parameters**

- **`retry_count`** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **`result`** – Optional result object. This bypasses the ASN lookup.

**Returns**

**A dictionary containing the following keys:** `asn` (String) - The Autonomous System Number. `asn_date` (String) - The ASN Allocation date. `asn_registry` (String) - The assigned ASN registry. `asn_cidr` (String) - The assigned ASN CIDR. `asn_country_code` (String) - The assigned ASN country code.

**Return type** Dictionary

**Raises**

- `ASNRegistryError` – The ASN registry is not known.
- `ASNLookupError` – The ASN lookup failed.

**get\_host** (*retry\_count=3*)

The function for retrieving host information for an IP address.

**Parameters** **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.

**Returns** hostname, aliaslist, ipaddrlist

**Return type** Tuple

**Raises** `HostLookupError` – The host lookup failed.

**get\_http\_json** (*url=None, retry\_count=3, rate\_limit\_timeout=120, headers=None*)

The function for retrieving a json result via HTTP.

**Parameters**

- **url** – The URL to retrieve.
- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **rate\_limit\_timeout** – The number of seconds to wait before retrying when a rate limit notice is returned via rdap+json.
- **headers** – The HTTP headers dictionary. The Accept header defaults to 'application/rdap+json'.

**Returns** The data in json format.

**Return type** Dictionary

**Raises**

- `HTTPLookupError` – The HTTP lookup failed.
- `HTTPRateLimitError` – The HTTP request rate limited and retries were exhausted.

**get\_http\_raw** (*url=None, retry\_count=3, headers=None, request\_type='GET', form\_data=None*)

The function for retrieving a raw HTML result via HTTP.

**Parameters**

- **url** – The URL to retrieve.
- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **headers** – The HTTP headers dictionary. The Accept header defaults to 'application/rdap+json'.
- **request\_type** – 'GET' or 'POST'
- **form\_data** – Dictionary of form POST data

**Returns** The raw data.

**Return type** String

**Raises** `HTTPLookupError` – The HTTP lookup failed.

**get\_whois** (*asn\_registry='arin', retry\_count=3, server=None, port=43, extra\_blacklist=None*)

The function for retrieving whois or rwhois information for an IP address via any port. Defaults to port 43/tcp (WHOIS).

**Parameters**

- **asn\_registry** – The NIC to run the query against.
- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **server** – An optional server to connect to. If provided, *asn\_registry* will be ignored.
- **port** – The network port to connect on.
- **extra\_blacklist** – A list of blacklisted whois servers in addition to the global BLACKLIST.

**Returns** The raw whois data.

**Return type** String

**Raises**

- `BlacklistError` – Raised if the whois server provided is in the global BLACKLIST or *extra\_blacklist*.
- `WhoisLookupError` – The whois lookup failed.

**lookup\_asn** (*retry\_count=3, asn\_alts=None, extra\_org\_map=None*)

The wrapper function for retrieving and parsing ASN information for an IP address.

**Parameters**

- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **asn\_alts** – Array of additional lookup types to attempt if the ASN dns lookup fails. Allow permutations must be enabled. Defaults to all ['whois', 'http'].
- **extra\_org\_map** – Dictionary mapping org handles to RIRs. This is for limited cases where ARIN REST (ASN fallback HTTP lookup) does not show an RIR as the org handle e.g., DNIC (which is now the built in ORG\_MAP) e.g., {'DNIC': 'arin'}. Valid RIR values are (note the case-sensitive - this is meant to match the REST result): 'ARIN', 'RIPE', 'apnic', 'lacnic', 'afrinic'

**Returns**

**Dictionary** Result from `get_asn_dns()` or `get_asn_whois()`.

**Dictionary** The response returned by `get_asn_dns()` or `get_asn_whois()`.

**Return type** Tuple

**Raises**

- `ASNRegistryError` – ASN registry does not match.
- `HTTPLookupError` – The HTTP lookup failed.

**class** `ipwhois.rdap.RDAP` (*net*)

The class for parsing IP address whois information via RDAP: <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7483>  
<https://www.arin.net/resources/rdap.html>

**Parameters** **net** – A `ipwhois.net.Net` object.

**Raises**

- `NetError` – The parameter provided is not an instance of `ipwhois.net.Net`
- `IPDefinedError` – The address provided is defined (does not need to be resolved).

**lookup** (*inc\_raw=False, retry\_count=3, asn\_data=None, depth=0, excluded\_entities=None, response=None, bootstrap=False, rate\_limit\_timeout=120*)

The function for retrieving and parsing information for an IP address via RDAP (HTTP).

#### Parameters

- **inc\_raw** – Boolean for whether to include the raw results in the returned dictionary.
- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **asn\_data** – Result dictionary from `ipwhois.net.Net.lookup_asn()`. Optional if the bootstrap parameter is True.
- **depth** – How many levels deep to run queries when additional referenced objects are found.
- **excluded\_entities** – A list of entity handles to not perform lookups.
- **response** – Optional response object, this bypasses the RDAP lookup.
- **bootstrap** – If True, performs lookups via ARIN bootstrap rather than lookups based on ASN data.
- **rate\_limit\_timeout** – The number of seconds to wait before retrying when a rate limit notice is returned via `rdap+json`.

#### Returns

**query** The IP address (String)

**network** Dictionary of values returned by `_RDAPNetwork`. The raw result is included for each entity if the `inc_raw` parameter is True.

**entities** List of entity keys referenced by the top level IP address query.

**objects** Dictionary of objects with the handles as keys, and the dictionary returned by `_RDAPEntity`, etc as the values. The raw result is included for each object if the `inc_raw` parameter is True.

**Return type** Dictionary

**class** `ipwhois.whois.Whois` (*net*)

The class for parsing via whois

**Parameters** **net** – A `ipwhois.net.Net` object.

#### Raises

- `NetError` – The parameter provided is not an instance of `ipwhois.net.Net`
- `IPDefinedError` – The address provided is defined (does not need to be resolved).

**lookup** (*inc\_raw=False, retry\_count=3, response=None, get\_referral=False, extra\_blacklist=None, ignore\_referral\_errors=False, asn\_data=None, field\_list=None, is\_offline=False*)

The function for retrieving and parsing whois information for an IP address via port 43/tcp (WHOIS).

#### Parameters

- **inc\_raw** – Boolean for whether to include the raw results in the returned dictionary.
- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.

- **response** – Optional response object, this bypasses the Whois lookup.
- **get\_referral** – Boolean for whether to retrieve referral whois information, if available.
- **extra\_blacklist** – A list of blacklisted whois servers in addition to the global BLACKLIST.
- **ignore\_referral\_errors** – Boolean for whether to ignore and continue when an exception is encountered on referral whois lookups.
- **asn\_data** – Optional ASN result object, this bypasses the ASN lookup.
- **field\_list** – If provided, a list of fields to parse: ['name', 'handle', 'description', 'country', 'state', 'city', 'address', 'postal\_code', 'emails', 'created', 'updated']
- **is\_offline** – Boolean for whether to perform lookups offline. If True, response and asn\_data must be provided. Primarily used for testing.

#### Returns

**query** The IP address (String)  
**asn** The Autonomous System Number (String)  
**asn\_date** The ASN Allocation date (String)  
**asn\_registry** The assigned ASN registry (String)  
**asn\_cidr** The assigned ASN CIDR (String)  
**asn\_country\_code** The assigned ASN country code (String)  
**nets** Dictionaries containing network information which consists of the fields listed in the NIC\_WHOIS dictionary. (List)  
**raw** Raw whois results if the inc\_raw parameter is True. (String)  
**referral** Dictionary of referral whois information if get\_referral is True and the server isn't blacklisted. Consists of fields listed in the RWHOIS dictionary.  
**raw\_referral** Raw referral whois results if the inc\_raw parameter is True. (String)

**Return type** Dictionary

**class** `ipwhois.nir.NIRWhois` (*net*)

The class for parsing whois data for NIRs (National Internet Registry). JPNIC and KRNIC are currently the only NIRs supported. Output varies based on NIR specific whois formatting.

**Parameters** **net** – A ipwhois.net.Net object.

#### Raises

- `NetError` – The parameter provided is not an instance of ipwhois.net.Net
- `IPDefinedError` – The address provided is defined (does not need to be resolved).

**lookup** (*nir=None, inc\_raw=False, retry\_count=3, response=None, field\_list=None, is\_offline=False*)

The function for retrieving and parsing NIR whois information for an IP address via HTTP (HTML scraping).

#### Parameters

- **nir** – The NIR to query ('jpnict' or 'krnic').
- **inc\_raw** – Boolean for whether to include the raw results in the returned dictionary.



- **retry\_count** – The number of times to retry in case socket errors, timeouts, connection resets, etc. are encountered.
- **response** – Optional response object, this bypasses the NIR lookup.
- **field\_list** – If provided, a list of fields to parse: ['name', 'handle', 'country', 'address', 'postal\_code', 'nameservers', 'created', 'updated', 'contacts']
- **is\_offline** – Boolean for whether to perform lookups offline. If True, response and asn\_data must be provided. Primarily used for testing.

**Returns**

**query** The IP address (String)

**nets** List of dictionaries containing network information which consists of the fields listed in the NIR\_WHOIS dictionary.

**raw** Raw NIR whois results if the inc\_raw parameter is True. (String)

**Return type** Dictionary

`ipwhois.utils.calculate_cidr(start_address, end_address)`

The function to calculate a CIDR range(s) from a start and end IP address.

**Parameters**

- **start\_address** – The starting IP address in string format.
- **end\_address** – The ending IP address in string format.

**Returns** A list of calculated CIDR ranges.

**Return type** List

`ipwhois.utils.get_countries(is_legacy_xml=False)`

The function to generate a dictionary containing ISO\_3166-1 country codes to names.

**Parameters** **is\_legacy\_xml** – Boolean for whether to use the older country code list (iso\_3166-1\_list\_en.xml).

**Returns**

**A dictionary with the country codes as the keys and the** country names as the values.

**Return type** Dictionary

`ipwhois.utils.ipv4_is_defined(address)`

The function for checking if an IPv4 address is defined (does not need to be resolved).

**Parameters** **address** – An IPv4 address in string format.

**Returns**

**Boolean** True if given address is defined, otherwise False

**String** IETF assignment name if given address is defined, otherwise “

**String** IETF assignment RFC if given address is defined, otherwise “

**Return type** Tuple

`ipwhois.utils.ipv4_lstrip_zeros(address)`

The function to strip leading zeros in each octet of an IPv4 address.

**Parameters** **address** – An IPv4 address in string format.

**Returns** The modified IPv4 address string.

**Return type** String

`ipwhois.utils.ipv6_is_defined(address)`

The function for checking if an IPv6 address is defined (does not need to be resolved).

**Parameters** `address` – An IPv6 address in string format.

**Returns**

**Boolean** True if address is defined, otherwise False

**String** IETF assignment name if address is defined, otherwise ‘

**String** IETF assignment RFC if address is defined, otherwise ‘

**Return type** Tuple

`ipwhois.utils.unique_addresses(data=None, file_path=None)`

The function to search an input string and/or file, extracting and counting IPv4/IPv6 addresses/networks. Summarizes ports with sub-counts. If both a string and `file_path` are provided, it will process them both.

**Parameters**

- **data** – A string to process.
- **file\_path** – An optional file path to process.

**Returns**

**ip address/network** Each address or network found is a dictionary w/:

**count** Total number of times seen (Integer)

**ports** Dictionary with port numbers as keys and the number of times seen for this ip as values (Dictionary)

**Return type** Dictionary

**Raises** `ValueError` – Arguments provided are invalid.

`ipwhois.utils.unique_everseen(iterable, key=None)`

The generator to list unique elements, preserving the order. Remember all elements ever seen. This was taken from the `itertools` recipes.

**Parameters**

- **iterable** – An iterable to process.
- **key** – Optional function to run when checking elements (e.g., `str.lower`)

**Returns** Yields a generator object.

**Return type** Generator

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.ASNLookupError`

An Exception for when the ASN lookup failed.

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.ASNRegistryError`

An Exception for when the ASN registry does not match one of the five expected values (arin, ripencc, apnic, lacnic, afrinic).

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.BlacklistError`

An Exception for when the server is in a blacklist.

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.HTTPLookupError`

An Exception for when the RDAP lookup failed.

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.HTTPRateLimitError`

An Exception for when HTTP queries exceed the NIC's request limit and have exhausted all retries.

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.HostLookupError`

An Exception for when the host lookup failed.

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.IPDefinedError`

An Exception for when the IP is defined (does not need to be resolved).

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.InvalidEntityContactObject`

An Exception for when JSON output is not an RDAP entity contact information object:  
<https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7483#section-5.4>

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.InvalidEntityObject`

An Exception for when JSON output is not an RDAP entity object: <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7483#section-5.1>

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.InvalidNetworkObject`

An Exception for when JSON output is not an RDAP network object: <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7483#section-5.4>

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.NetError`

An Exception for when a parameter provided is not an instance of `ipwhois.net.Net`.

**exception** `ipwhois.exceptions.WhoisLookupError`

An Exception for when the whois lookup failed.



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