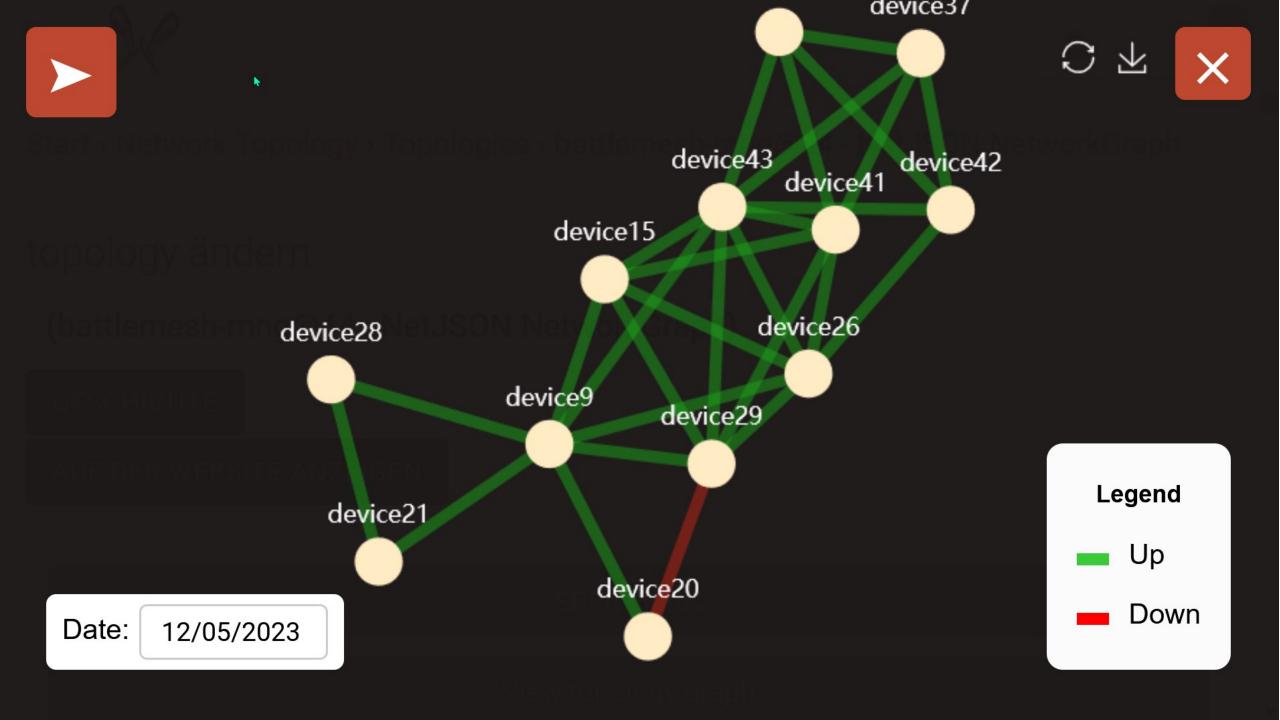
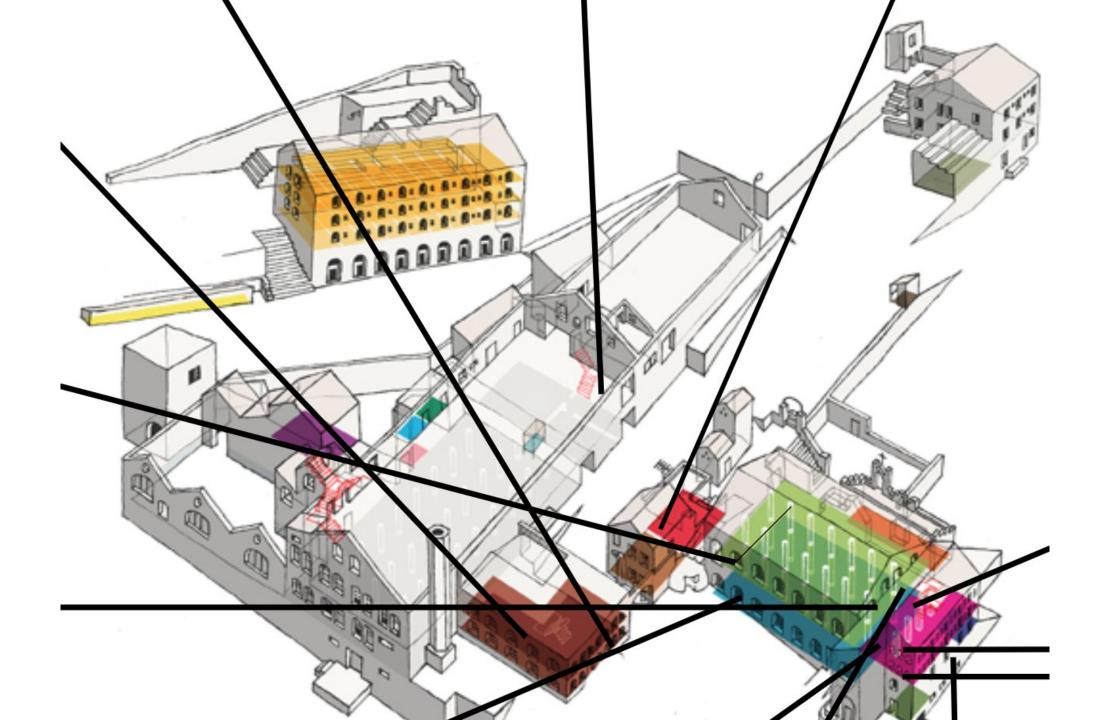
Testbed results of our battle

Battlemesh v15 in Calafou (may 2023)

- Federico Capoano (<u>https://openwisp.org</u>) + Pedro @guifi +
- Thijs van Veen (TJvV) + Bastian Bittorf (<u>bb@npl.de</u>) + alot more..











Sorry - no results at all 8-(

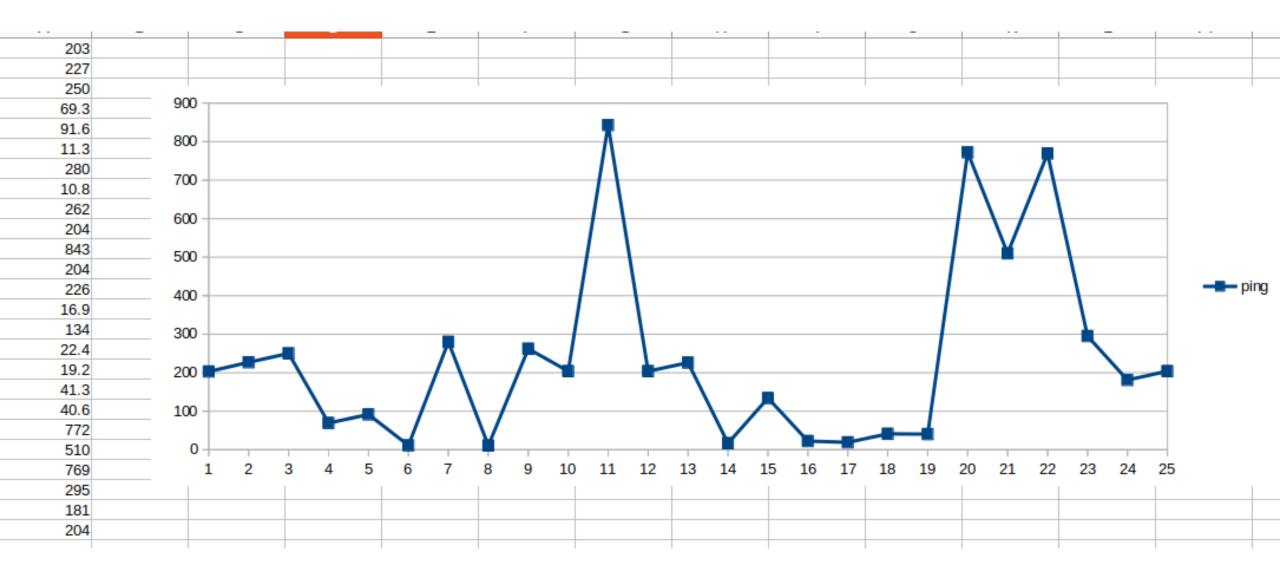
- it did not work out, although 15 routers were fully prepared
- no reliable testing was possible
- our fallback (neutral) protocol mesh11s had issues
- access network on-site had issues
- remote controlling a testbed from another timezone is pressuring
- building and debugging testbed is stressful
- babeld had issues ("cannot determine channel of interface XY")
- bmx did not start, so better preparation needed and a lot more...

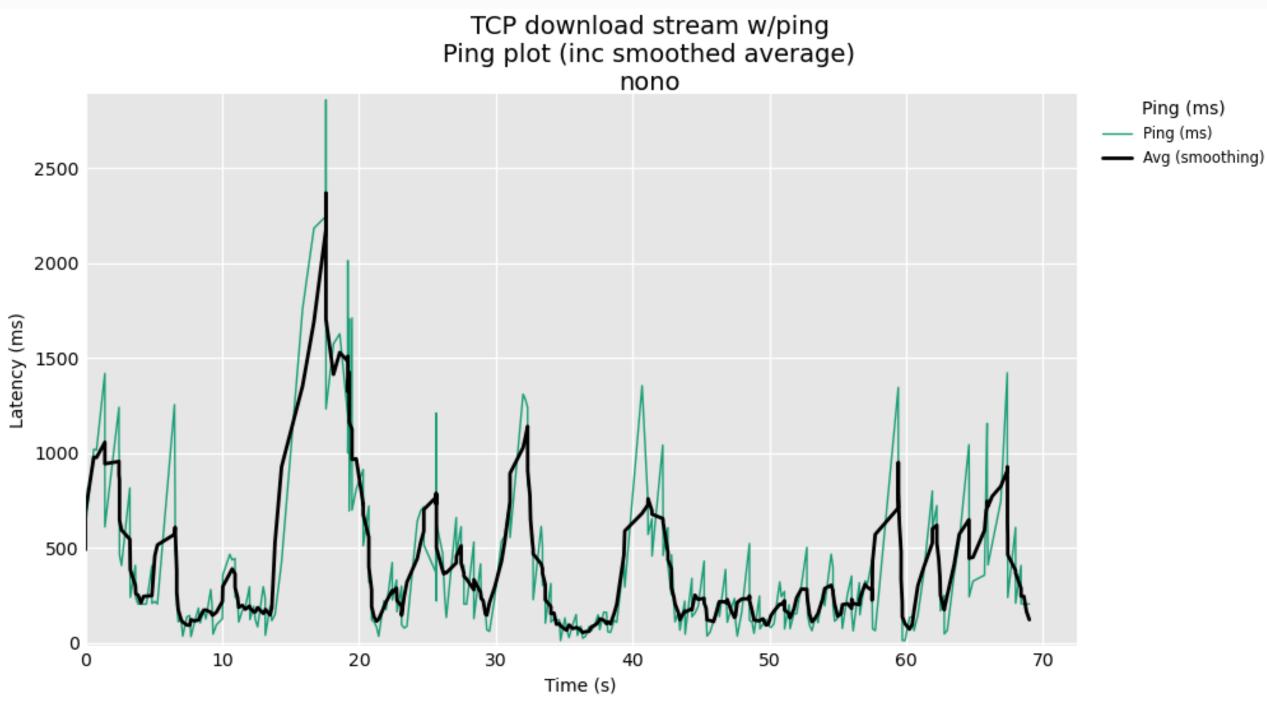
Summary of dslreports_8dn test run from 2023-05-12 09:16:06.961445 Title: 'TJvV-Alpha-15_5ghz_21_37_5ghz_datoren'

		avg	median	99th %		# data pts
Ping (ms) ICMP	:	1336.26	616.50	13209.75	ms	379
Ping (ms) TCP BE1	:	0.99	0.82	3.36	ms	18
Ping (ms) TCP BE2	:	1.78	0.88	6.53	ms	20
Ping (ms) TCP BE3	:	1.44	1.24	4.34	ms	17
Ping (ms) avg	:	1336.26	N/A	N/A	ms	379
TCP download BE::1	:	0.00	0.00	0.00	Mbits/s	10
TCP download BE::2	:	0.06	0.04	0.23	Mbits/s	28
TCP download BE::3	:	0.04	0.02	0.19	Mbits/s	8
TCP download BE::4	:	0.09	0.03	0.42	Mbits/s	7
TCP download BE::5	:	0.16	0.08	0.66	Mbits/s	23
TCP download BE::6	3	0.34	0.15	1.49	Mbits/s	40
TCP download BE::7	:	0.07	0.03	0.31	Mbits/s	28
TCP download BE::8	:	0.01	0.00	0.02	Mbits/s	б
TCP download avg	:	0.10	N/A	N/A	Mbits/s	214
TCP download sum	:	0.22	N/A	N/A	Mbits/s	214

Summary of dslreports_8dn test run from 2023-05-12 11:36:14.594042 Title: 'TJvV-Alpha-15_5ghz_15_37_5ghz_datoren'

		avg	median	99th %	# data pts
Ping (ms) ICMP	:	229.94	193.00	715.84 ms	351
Ping (ms) TCP BE1	:	5.51	4.76	24.85 ms	351
Ping (ms) TCP BE2	:	5.23	4.60	24.74 ms	351
Ping (ms) TCP BE3	:	5.45	4.67	26.11 ms	351
Ping (ms) avg	•	61.53	N/A	N/A ms	351
TCP download BE::1	•	0.66	0.64	1.83 Mbits/s	351
TCP download BE::2	•	0.57	0.63	1.64 Mbits/s	351
TCP download BE::3	:	0.71	0.72	2.08 Mbits/s	351
TCP download BE::4	:	0.72	0.69	1.76 Mbits/s	351
TCP download BE::5	:	0.70	0.71	1.79 Mbits/s	351
TCP download BE::6		0.67	0.70	1.62 Mbits/s	351
TCP download BE::7	•	0.77	0.75	1.94 Mbits/s	351
TCP download BE::8	•	0.62	0.63	1.43 Mbits/s	351
TCP download avg	:	0.68	N/A	N/A Mbits/s	351
TCP download sum	:	5.42	N/A	N/A Mbits/s	351





Local/remote: TlvV-Alpha-15/192 168 20 134 - Time: 2023-05-11T12:00:25 608926 - Length/step: 60s/0.20s

Lessons learned for next Iteration in 2024

- we need to place the devices and test each link to ensure minimum wireless link quality: we need more people onsite involved for that
- we didn't have power where we needed it: we need long cables to place devices in optimal locations
- ideally next time we we should get newer hardware with wifi5/wifi6 and more flash space >8mb because flash got full quickly with OpenWrt 22.04
- planning in advance: we need floor plans of the location
- do we want to test bmx6 or bmx7?
- we need some funding for openwisp (e.g. distributed commands)

Lessons learned ...

- we must have at least 1 person responsible for the test on-site
- better to plan tests to run while talks are not happening
- we need 2 dedicated test hardware devices to run tests
- more preparation together with protocol maintainers
- new protocols needs better preparation (and more flash space 8-), sorry @dimitri for that
- testing-tool https://flent.org had issues with our raspi4
- OpenWRT stable had issues with dnsmasq and so had OpenWISP
- ...nobody onsite was an expert in tooling (flent+openwisp)



8 Fri May 12 17:19:05 2023 kern.info kernel: [1370.320519] br-lan: port 4(mes 9 Fri May 12 17:19:05 2023 kern.info kernel: [1370.328832] br-lan: topology c

anything you want me to try?



nemesisdesign (Federico Capoano)

TJ can you try unplugging your laptop for a moment

please



ok

Done



nemesisdesign (Federico Capoano)

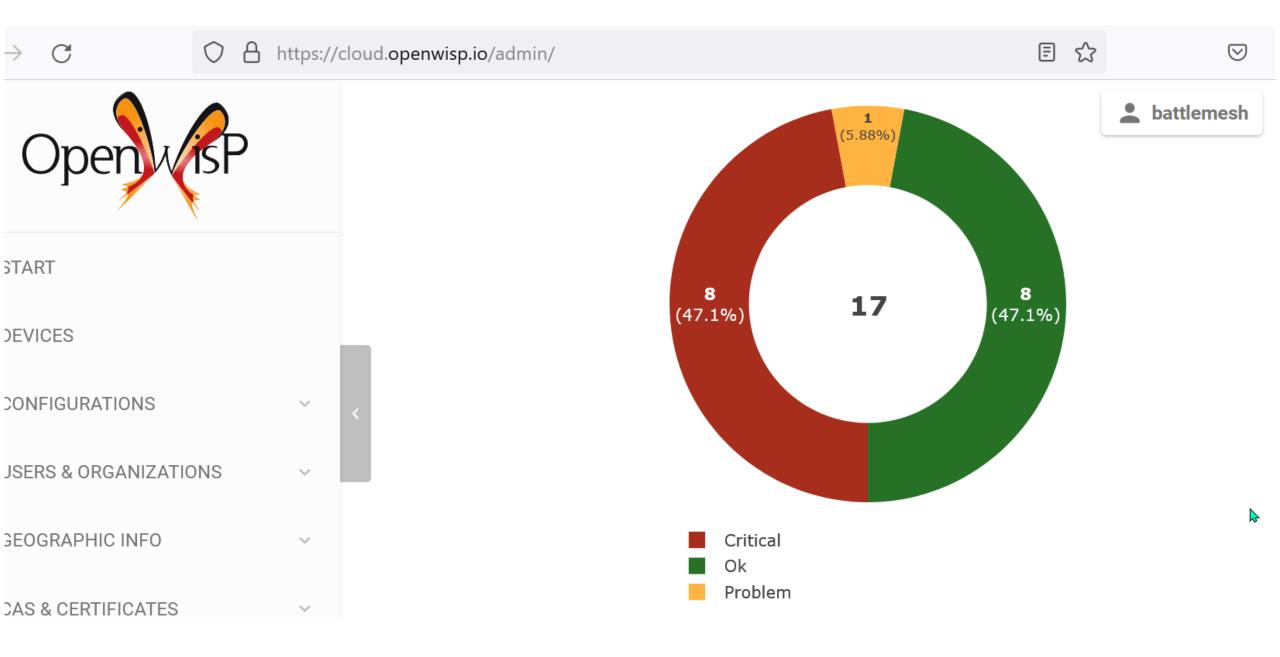
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something weird I saw in some devices: Maximum number of concurrent DNS queries

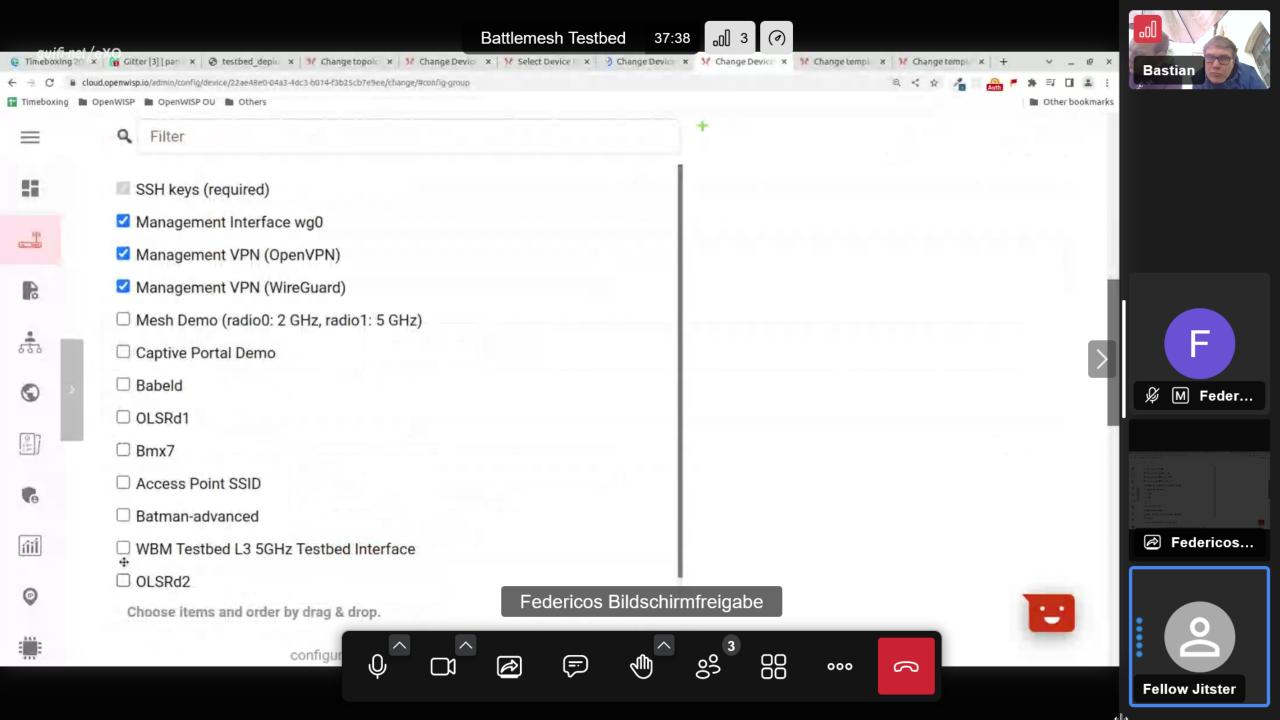
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3 months of preparation

- Frederico + Pedro made sure, that the whole testbed was ready
- In theory plug-and-play
- Thanks for that! & applause!

