Mozilla's IDN Implementation

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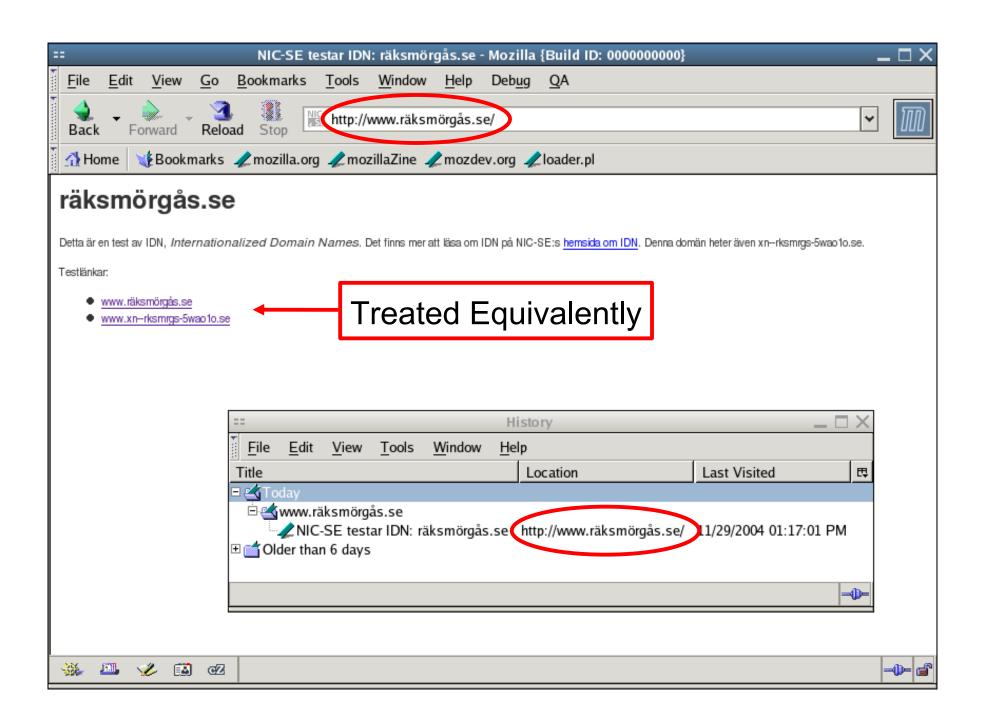
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Overview

- Based on code from JPNIC:
 - RFC 3454 "stringprep"
 - RFC 3490 ACE encoding
- Development History
 - First added to Mozilla 1.4 (Netscape 7.1) [2003]
 - Enhancements went into Mozilla 1.7 (Firefox 1.0, Netscape 7.2) [2004]
 - Mozilla trunk includes additional enhancements

URL Processing

- Mozilla handles IDN during URL parsing:
 - Input to URL parser may be Unicode or ACE
 (ACE input converted to Unicode as of Moz 1.8)
 - URL objects store Unicode & ACE versions
 - UI code requests the Unicode version of a URL
 - Network code requests the ACE version
 - Unicode input is normalized (Moz 1.7)



Future Plans

Polish:

- Eliminate any remaining occurrences of ACE "xn--" strings showing up in the UI
- Ensure that URLs are always compared in normalized form
- Improve support for IRIs
 - Leveraging abstraction layer introduced for IDN