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Data Communication and Computer Networks

This lab introduces some basic network monitoring/analysis tools. There are a few exercises along the way. You should write up answers to the *ping* and *traceroute* exercises and turn them in next lab. (You should try out each tool, whether it is needed for an exercise or not!).

Prerequisite: Basic understanding of command line utilities of Linux Operating system.

Some Basic command line Networking utilities

Start with a few of the most basic command line tools. These commands are available on Unix, including Linux (and the first two, at least, are also for Windows). Some parameters or options might differ on different operating systems. Remember that you can use man <command> to get information about a command and its options.

ping — The command ping <host> sends a series of packets and expects to receive a response to each packet. When a return packet is received, ping reports the round trip time (the time between sending the packet and receiving the response). Some routers and firewalls block ping requests, so you might get no reponse at all. Ping can be used to check whether a computer is up and running, to measure network delay time, and to check for dropped packets indicating network congestion. Note that <host> can be either a domain name or an IP address. By default, ping will send a packet every second indefinitely; stop it with Control-C

Network latency, specifically round trip time (RTT), can be measured using ping, which sends ICMP packets. The syntax for the command in Linux or Mac OS is:

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ping [-c <count>] [-s <packetsize>] <hostname>
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The syntax in Windows is:

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ping [-n <count>] [-l <packetsize>] <hostname>
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The default number of ICMP packets to send is either infinite (in Linux and Mac OS) or 4 (in Windows). The default packet size is either 64 bytes (in Linux) or 32 bytes (in Windows). You can specify either a hostname (e.g., spit.ac.in) or an IP address.

To save the output from ping to a file, include a greater than symbol and a file name at the end of the command. For example:

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ping -c 10 google.com > ping_c10_s64_google.log
```

EXPERIMENTS WITH PING

1. Ping the any hosts 10 times (i.e., packet count is 10) with a packet size of 64 bytes, 100 bytes, 500 bytes, 1000 bytes, 1400 bytes

QUESTIONS ABOUT LATENCY

Now look at the results you gathered and answer the following questions about latency. Store your answers in a file named ping.txt.

- 1. Does the average RTT vary between different hosts? What aspects of latency (transmit, propagation, and queueing delay) might impact this and why?
- 2. Does the average RTT vary with different packet sizes? What aspects of latency (transmit, propagation, and queueing delay) might impact this and why?

Exercise 1: Experiment with ping to find the round trip times to a variety of destinations. Write up any interesting observations, including in particular how the round trip time compares to the physical distance. Here are few places from who to get replies: www.uw.edu, www.cornell.edu, berkeley.edu, www.uchicago.edu, www.ox.ac.uk (England), www.u-tokyo.ac.jp (Japan).

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ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ ping -c 10 -s 100 berkeley.edu
PING berkeley.edu (35.163.72.93) 100(128) bytes of data.

108 bytes from ec2-35-163-72-93.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com (35.163.72.93): icmp_seq=1 ttl=35 time=225 ms
108 bytes from ec2-35-163-72-93.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com (35.163.72.93): icmp_seq=2 ttl=35 time=224 ms
108 bytes from ec2-35-163-72-93.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com (35.163.72.93): icmp_seq=3 ttl=35 time=224 ms
108 bytes from ec2-35-163-72-93.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com (35.163.72.93): icmp_seq=4 ttl=35 time=224 ms
108 bytes from ec2-35-163-72-93.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com (35.163.72.93): icmp_seq=6 ttl=35 time=224 ms
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ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ ping -c 10 -s 100 www.ox.ac.uk
PING www.ox.ac.uk (151.101.66.133) 100(128) bytes of data.
108 bytes from 151.101.66.133 (151.101.66.133): icmp_seq=1 ttl=52 time=1.08 ms
108 bytes from 151.101.66.133 (151.101.66.133): icmp_seq=2 ttl=52 time=1.15 ms
108 bytes from 151.101.66.133 (151.101.66.133): icmp_seq=3 ttl=52 time=1.14 ms
108 bytes from 151.101.66.133 (151.101.66.133): icmp_seq=4 ttl=52 time=1.13 ms
108 bytes from 151.101.66.133 (151.101.66.133): icmp_seq=5 ttl=52 time=1.16 ms
108 bytes from 151.101.66.133 (151.101.66.133): icmp_seq=6 ttl=52 time=1.15 ms
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ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ ping -c 10 -s 100 www.uw.edu
PING www.washington.edu (128.95.155.135) 100(128) bytes of data.
108 bytes from www2.cac.washington.edu (128.95.155.135): icmp_seq=1 ttl=35 time=240 ms
108 bytes from www2.cac.washington.edu (128.95.155.135): icmp_seq=2 ttl=35 time=241 ms
108 bytes from www2.cac.washington.edu (128.95.155.135): icmp_seq=3 ttl=35 time=241 ms
                                                                   icmp_seq=3 ttl=35 time=241
icmp_seq=4 ttl=35 time=241
108 bytes from www2.cac.washington.edu (128.95.155.135):
                                                                   icmp_seq=5 ttl=35 time=240 ms
108 bytes from www2.cac.washington.edu (128.95.155.135):
                                                                   icmp_seq=6 ttl=35 time=241 ms
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                                                                   icmp_seq=8 ttl=35 time=241
                                                                   icmp_seq=9 ttl=35 time=240 ms
108 bytes from www2.cac.washington.edu (128.95.155.135): icmp_seq=10 ttl=35 time=241 ms
    www.washington.edu ping statistics -
10 packets transmitted, 10 received, 0% packet loss, time 9008ms
 tt min/avg/max/mdev = 240.972/241.107/241.902/0.639 ms
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As seen from the above we see that as the distance from my location to the pinged place location increases the TTL time also increases. Like getting response from www.uk.edu (in United Kingdom) is faster then getting response from www.uw.edu (University of Washington). Hence it can be concluded that distance is a major factor in getting in the response and has good impact on the response time.

nslookup — The command nslookup <host> will do a DNS query to find and report the IP address (or addresses) for a domain name or the domain name corresponding to an IP address. To do this, it contacts a "DNS server." Default DNS servers are part of a computer's network configuration. (For a static IP address in Linux, they are configured in the file /etc/network/interfaces that you encountered in the last lab.) You can specify a different DNS server to be used by nslokup by adding the server name or IP address to the command: nslookup <host> <server>

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ nslookup google.com
               127.0.0.53
Server:
Address:
               127.0.0.53#53
Non-authoritative answer:
Name: google.com
Address: 216.58.203.206
Name: google.com
Address: 2404:6800:4009:80c::200e
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ nslookup spit.ac.in
          127.0.0.53
Server:
               127.0.0.53#53
Address:
Non-authoritative answer:
Name: spit.ac.in
Address: 43.252.193.19
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ |
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ifconfig — You used ifconfig in the previous lab. When used with no parameters, ifconfig reports some information about the computer's network interfaces. This usually includes lo which stands for localhost; it can be used for communication between programs running on the same computer. Linux often has an interface named eth0, which is the first ethernet card. The information is different on Mac OS and Linux, but includes the IP or "inet" address and ethernet or "hardware" address for an ethernet card. On Linux, you get the number of packets received (RX) and sent (TX), as well as the number of bytes transmitted and received. (A better place to monitor network bytes on our Linux computers is in the GUI program System Monitor, if it is installed!!!.)

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 9001
    inet 172.31.40.210 netmask 255.255.240.0 broadcast 172.31.47.255
    inet6 fe80::f6:87ff:fe34:3de8 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x20<link>
    ether 02:f6:87:34:3d:e8 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
    RX packets 5433 bytes 6148403 (6.1 MB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 3183 bytes 293273 (293.2 KB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0

lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
    inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
    inet6 ::1 prefixlen 128 scopeid 0x10<host>
    loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
    RX packets 208 bytes 17021 (17.0 KB)
    RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
    TX packets 208 bytes 17021 (17.0 KB)
    TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
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netstat — The netstat command gives information about network connections. I often use netstat -t -n which lists currently open TCP connections (that's the "-t" option) by IP address rather than domain name (that's the "-n" option). Add the option "-l" (lower case ell) to list listening sockets, that is sockets that have been opened by server programs to wait for connection requests from clients: netstat -t -n -l. (On Mac, use netstat -p tcp to list tcp connections, and add "-a" to include listening sockets in the list.)

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ netstat -t -n
Active Internet connections (w/o servers)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address
                                             Foreign Address
                                                                      State
                  0 172.31.40.210:22
                                             49.32.58.139:58083
                                                                      ESTABLISHED
tcp
                300 172.31.40.210:22
                                              49.32.58.139:58180
tcp
           0
                                                                      ESTABLISHED
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ netstat -t -n -l
Active Internet connections (only servers)
Proto Recv-O Send-O Local Address
                                             Foreign Address
                                                                      State
           0
                  0 0.0.0.0:80
                                             0.0.0.0:*
tcp
                                                                      LISTEN
           0
                  0 127.0.0.53:53
                                             0.0.0.0:*
tcp
                                                                      LISTEN
           0
                  0 0.0.0.0:22
                                              0.0.0.0:*
tcp
                                                                      LISTEN
tcp6
           0
                  0 :::80
                                                                      LISTEN
tcp6
           0
                  0 :::22
                                                                      LISTEN
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$
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ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ netstat
Active Internet connections (w/o servers)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address
                                                           Foreign Address
                                                                                           State
tcp 0 0 ip-172-31-40-210.ap:ssh 49.32.58.139:58083
tcp 0 300 ip-172-31-40-210.ap:ssh 49.32.58.139:58180
Active UNIX domain sockets (w/o servers)
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Proto RefCnt Flags
                                                State
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/run/systemd/journal/socket
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| unix 3 | DGRAM | CONNECTED | 32058 | |
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| unix 3 | DGRAM | CONNECTED | 17534 | |
| unix 3 [| STREAM | CONNECTED | 20127 | |

telnet — Telnet is an old program for remote login. It's not used so much for that any more, since it has no security features. But basically, all it does is open a connection to a server and allow server and client to send lines of plain text to each other. It can be used to check that it's possible to connect to a server and, if the server communicates in plain text, even to interact with the server by hand. Since the Web uses a plain text protocol, you can use telnet to connect to a web client and play the part of the web browser. I will suggest that you to do this with your own web server when you write it, but you might want to try it now. When you use telnet in this way, you need to specify both the host and the port number to which you want to connect: telent <host> <port>. For example, to connect to the web server on www.spit.ac.in: telnet spit.ac.in 80

traceroute — Traceroute is discussed in man utility. The command traceroute <host> will show routers encountered by packets on their way from your computer to a specified <host>. For each n = 1, 2, 3,..., traceroute sends a packet with "time-to-live" (ttl) equal to n. Every time a router forwards a packet, it decreases the ttl of the packet by one. If the ttl drops to zero, the router discards the packet and sends an error message back to the sender of the packet. (Again, as with ping, the packets might be blocked or might not even be sent, so that the error messages will never be received.) The sender gets the identity of the router from the source of the error message. Traceroute will send packets until n reaches some set upper bound or until a packet actually gets through to the destination. It actually does this three times for each n. In this way, it identifies routers that are one step, two steps, three steps, ... away from the source computer. A packet for which no response is received is indicated in the output as a *. Traceroute is installed on the computers. If was not installed in your virtual server last week, but you can install it with the command sudo apt-get install traceroute

The path taken through a network, can be measured using traceroute. The syntax for the command in Linux is:traceroute <hostname>

The syntax in Windows is:

tracert <hostname>

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ubuntu0ip-172-31-40-210:-$ traceroute spit.ac.in
traceroute to spit.ac. in (43.525.193.19), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
1 ec2-52-66-0-38.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.38) 8.446 ms ec2-52-66-0-26.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.26) 2.668 ms 2.660 ms
2 100.66.8.56 (100.66.8.56) 6.022 ms 100.66.8.126 (100.66.8.126) 3.232 ms 100.66.8.00 (100.66.8.0 ) 6.714 ms
3 100.66.11.228 (100.66.11.228) 4.851 ms 100.66.10.418 (100.66.10.198 (100.66.10.198 (100.66.13.238) 100.66.1.71 (100.66.7.1 ) 4.546 ms 100.66.1.71 (100.66.7.1 ) 4.546 ms 100.66.1.71 (100.66.1.71 ) 4.544 ms 100.66.1.71 (100.66.1.71 ) 4.544 ms 100.66.1.71 (100.66.1.71 ) 4.544 ms 100.66.1.71 (100.66.1.71 ) 4.545 ms 100.66.1.71 (100.66.1.71 ) 4.545 ms 100.66.1.71 (100.66.1.71 ) 4.546 ms 100.66.1.71 ) 4.546 ms 100.66.1.71 (100.66.1.71 ) 4.5
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You can specify either a hostname (e.g., cs.iitb.ac.in) or an IP address (e.g., 128.105.2.6).

1.2.1 EXPERIMENTS WITH TRACEROUTE

From **your machine** traceroute to the following hosts:

1. www.cs.grinnell.edu

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2. cs.stanford.edu

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ubuntu8ip-172-31-40-210:-$ traceroute cs.stanford.edu (271-61-64-64), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets

1 **e25-26-60-30.ap-south-1.compute.amazonams.com (52.66.0.30) 0.846 ms ec2-52-66-0-36.ap-south-1.compute.amazonams.com (52.66.0.36) 2.593 ms

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2 **100.66-1.102 (100.66.11.102) 7.422 ms 100.66.10.132 (100.66.10.122) 2.510 ms 100.66.10.34 (100.66.10.34) 5.600 ms

4 **100.66.2.525 (100.66.6.225) 5.161 ms

5 **100.66.3.97 (100.65.9) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.59) 79 (100.
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3. cs.manchester.ac.uk

4) cs.standford.edu

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4) Cs.standford.edu

ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~\$ traceroute cs.stanford.edu

traceroute to cs.stanford.edu (171.64.64.64), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets

1 ec2-52-66-0-36.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.36) 8.654 ms ec2-52-66-0-32.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.32) 4.166 ms ec2-52-66-0-34.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.34) 3.290 ms

2 * 100.66.8.248 (100.66.8.248) 3.643 ms 100.66.8.56 (100.66.8.56) 3.574 ms

1 100.66.11.160 (100.66.61.1.160) 1.039 ms 100.66.10.226 (100.66.10.226) 11.292 ms 100.66.10.160 (100.66.10.160) 6.798 ms

4 100.66.6.231 (100.66.6.231) 1.310 ms 100.66.6.0226 (100.66.6.67) 2.712 ms 100.66.6.39 (100.66.6.39) 2.136 ms

5 100.66.4.205 (100.66.4.205) 2.540 ms 100.66.4.207 (100.66.4.207) 2.605 ms 100.66.4.99 (100.66.4.99) 2.659 ms

6 100.65.8.65 (100.65.8.65) 1.165 ms 100.65.10.161 (100.65.10.161) 0.393 ms 100.65.9.1 (100.65.9.1) 0.330 ms

7 52.95.65.134 (52.95.65.134) 1.429 ms 52.95.67.181 (52.95.67.181) 2.103 ms 52.95.65.134 (52.95.65.134) 1.162 ms

8 52.95.66.192 (52.95.66.192) 2.703 ms 52.95.66.170 (52.95.66.170) 3.423 ms 52.95.67.60 (52.95.67.60) 1.341 ms

9 52.95.66.91 (52.95.66.91) 1.634 ms 52.95.65.234 (52.95.65.234) 1.766 ms 52.95.66.135 (52.95.66.135) 1.603 ms

115.114.89.57.static-Mumbai.vsnl.net.in (115.114.89.57) 0.944 ms 0.809 ms 1.361 ms
      16 | las-b24-link.telia.net (80.259.120.214) | 253.35 ms | 256.808 ms | 256.808 ms | 27 * palo-b24-link.telia.net (62.115.119.90) | 264.747 ms * 18 palo-b1-link.telia.net (62.115.122.169) | 272.189 ms palo-b24-link.telia.net (62.115.119.90) | 258.990 ms palo-b1-link.telia.net (62.115.122.169) | 260.775 ms | 260.775 ms | 260.775 ms | 260.715 ms | 270.8019 ms | 270.
    234.011 ms
20 stanford-university.100gigabitethernet5-1.core1.pao1.he.net (184.105.177.238) 249.299 ms 261.208 ms hurricane-ic-308019
-palo-b1.c.telia.net (80.239.167.174) 247.834 ms
21 stanford-university.100gigabitethernet5-1.core1.pao1.he.net (184.105.177.238) 249.606 ms csee-west-rtr-vl3.SUNet (171.66
.255.140) 239.063 ms 241.848 ms
22 * CS.stanford.edu (171.64.64.64) 236.606 ms csee-west-rtr-vl3.SUNet (171.66.255.140) 243.417 ms
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$
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5) csail.mit.edu

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bluntu@ip-1/2-31-40-210:~$ traceroute csail.mit.edu craceroute to csail.mit.edu (128.30.2.109), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets  

1 ec2-52-66-0-34.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.34) 1.750 ms ec2-52-66-0-28.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.38) 3.482 ms  

2 100.66.8.250 (100.66.8.250) 5.049 ms 100.66.8.210 (100.66.8.210) 5.824 ms 100.66.8.162 (100.66.8.162) 4.112 ms  

3 100.66.11.6 (100.66.11.6) 5.695 ms 100.66.10.194 (100.66.10.194) 2.141 ms 100.66.11.128 (100.66.11.128) 7.850 ms  

4 100.66.7.227 (100.66.7.227) 2.698 ms * 100.66.6.35 (100.66.6.35) 7.118 ms  

5 * 100.66.4.65 (100.66.4.65) 5.208 ms 100.66.4.207 (100.66.4.207) 1.568 ms  

6 100.65.9.161 (100.65.9.161) 0.360 ms 100.65.11.65 (100.65.11.65) 0.265 ms 100.65.11.1 (100.65.11.1) 0.365 ms  

7 52.95.65.132 (52.95.65.132) 2.043 ms 52.95.67.181 (52.95.67.181) 1.222 ms 52.95.67.183 (52.95.67.183) 1.432 ms  

8 52.95.66.60 (52.95.66.60) 1.912 ms 52.95.66.104 (52.95.66.104) 1.998 ms 52.95.66.214 (52.95.66.91) 3.219 ms  

10 115.114.89.57 static-Mumbai.vsnl.net.in (115.114.89.57) 0.884 ms 0.875 ms 0.937 ms
            ix-ae-0-100.tcore1.mlv-mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.38.5) 1.729 ms ix-ae-0-100.tcore2.mlv-mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.39.25) 493 ms ix-ae-0-100.tcore1.mlv-mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.38.5) 1.697 ms if-ae-2-2.tcore1.mlv-mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.38.1) 192.792 ms 192.544 ms *
16 * * * *
17 if-ae-8-49.tcore2.nto-newyork.as6453.net (216.6.81.34) 188.160 ms if-ae-4-2.tcore2.n0v-newyork.as6453.net (80.231.131.15
3 198.381 ms if-ae-12-2.tcore1.n75-newyork.as6453.net (66.110.96.5) 193.881 ms
18 if-ae-7-5.tcore1.nto-newyork.as6453.net (63.243.128.141) 197.762 ms if-ae-12-2.tcore1.n75-newyork.as6453.net (66.110.96.
31 193.873 ms 193.599 ms
19 66.110.96.142 (66.110.96.142) 194.790 ms be-10390-cr02.newyork.ny.ibone.comcast.net (68.86.83.89) 193.787 ms 66.110.96.
31 (66.110.96.138) 188.218 ms
20 66.110.96.134 (66.110.96.134) 192.577 ms be-10390-cr02.newyork.ny.ibone.comcast.net (68.86.83.89) 193.899 ms 66.110.96.
31 (66.110.96.134 (66.110.96.134) 192.659 ms be-10390-cr02.newyork.ny.ibone.comcast.net (68.86.83.89) 194.892 ms 66.110.96.
32 (66.110.96.130) 192.969 ms
33 ms 193.013 ms ae0-0-eg-bstpmall74w.boston.ma.boston.comcast.net (68.86.238.34) 193.324 ms 193.25 ms 193 ms 19
                  aeO-O-eg-bstpmall74w.boston.ma.boston.comcast.net (68.86.238.34) 238.939 ms 223.959 ms 218.143 ms 50-201-57-174-static.hfc.comcastbusiness.net (50.201.57.174) 195.003 ms 193.030 ms 193.104 ms dmz-rtr-1-external-rtr-3.mit.edu (18.0.161.13) 193.231 ms 193.140 ms aeO-O-eg-bstpmall74w.boston.ma.boston.comcast.net
 (68.86.238.34) 197.832 ms
26 dmz-rtr-1-external-rtr-3.mit.edu (18.0.161.13) 197.497 ms 196.919 ms mitnet.core-1-ext.csail.mit.edu (18.4.7.65) 193.2
                dmz-rtr-1-external-rtr-3.mit.edu (18.0.161.13) 197.437 ms mitnet.core-1-ext.csail.mit.edu (18.4.7.65) 195.156 ms 195.6
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Store the output of each traceroute command in a separate file named traceroute HOSTNAME.log, replacing HOSTNAME with the hostname for end-host you pinged

(e.g., traceroute ee.iitb.ac.in.log).

Exercise 2: (Very short.) Use traceroute to trace the route from your computer to math.hws.edu and to

www.hws.edu. Explain the difference in the results.

maths.hws.edu

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ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ traceroute math.hws.edu
traceroute to math.hws.edu (64.89.144.237), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
  1 ec2-52-66-0-28.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.28) 4.121 ms ec2-52-66-0-36.ap-south-1.c
 ompute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.36) 7.484 ms 7.475 ms
2 100.66.8.26 (100.66.8.26) 0.717 ms 100.66.8.22 (100.66.8.22) 1.703 ms 100.66.8.42 (100.66.8.42)
   6.522 ms
   3 100.66.10.162 (100.66.10.162) 7.414 ms 7.396 ms 100.66.10.198 (100.66.10.198) 6.549 ms 4 100.66.7.135 (100.66.7.135) 8.430 ms 100.66.7.195 (100.66.7.195) 4.880 ms 100.66.7.99 (100.66.7.
          3.572 ms
* 100.66.4.103 (100.66.4.103) 3.240 ms 100.66.4.207 (100.66.4.207) 4.688 ms
100.65.11.225 (100.65.11.225) 0.510 ms 100.65.9.33 (100.65.9.33) 0.342 ms 100.65.11.129 (100.65.
 11.129) 0.327 ms
7 52.95.65.132 (52.95.65.132) 35.787 ms 52.95.65.128 (52.95.65.128) 35.769 ms 52.95.67.177 (52.95.
 67.177) 35.239 ms
8 52.95.67.170 (52.95.67.170) 1.847 ms 52.95.67.148 (52.95.67.148) 1.559 ms 52.95.66.170 (52.95.66
   .170) 2.024 ms
 9 52.95.65.224 (52.95.65.224) 1.513 ms 52.95.65.234 (52.95.65.234) 1.357 ms 52.95.66.69 (52.95.66.
69) 1.557 ms
 10 115.114.89.57.static-Mumbai.vsnl.net.in (115.114.89.57) 0.934 ms 115.114.89.121.static-Mumbai.vsn
  l.net.in (115.114.89.121) 1.522 ms 1.449 ms
11 ** **
12 ix-ae-0-100.tcore1.mlv-mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.38.5) 1.519 ms 1.415 ms 1.520 ms
13 if-ae-2-2.tcore1.mlv-mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.38.1) 118.648 ms 118.723 ms 118.684 ms
14 if-ae-8-1600.tcore1.pye-paris.as6453.net (80.231.217.6) 118.501 ms if-ae-5-2.tcore1.wyn-marseille
.as6453.net (80.231.217.29) 118.710 ms 137.561 ms
15 if-ae-11-2.tcore1.pvu-paris.as6453.net (80.231.153.49) 118.888 ms 119.651 ms if-ae-8-1600.tcore1
.pye-paris.as6453.net (80.231.217.6) 118.560 ms
16 if-ae-11-2.tcore1.pvu-paris.as6453.net (80.231.153.49) 119.786 ms * 119.645 ms
17 ae-1-3104.edge3.Paris1.Level3.net (4.69.161.110) 118.919 ms 118.958 ms 118.891 ms
18 ae-2-3204.edge3.Paris1.Level3.net (4.69.161.114) 118.981 ms ae-1-3104.edge3.Paris1.Level3.net (4.69.161.114) 118.981 ms ae-1-3104.edge
 69.161.110) 118.999 ms 119.900 ms
 19 global-crossing-xe-level3.paris1.level3.net (4.68.63.230) 119.021 ms roc1-ar5-xe-11-0-0-0.us.twte lecom.net (35.248.1.162) 196.040 ms global-crossing-xe-level3.paris1.level3.net (4.68.63.230) 118.94
20 66-195-65-170.static.ctl.one (66.195.65.170) 202.049 ms rocl-ar5-xe-11-0-0-0.us.twtelecom.net (35 .248.1.162) 196.003 ms 66-195-65-170.static.ctl.one (66.195.65.170) 202.035 ms 21 66-195-65-170.static.ctl.one (66.195.65.170) 201.956 ms nat.hws.edu (64.89.144.100) 203.744 ms
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 ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ |
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www.hws.edu

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ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ traceroute www.hws.edu
traceroute to www.hws.edu (64.89.145.159), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
1 ec2-52-66-0-36.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.36) 3.767 ms ec2-52-66-0-26.ap-south-1.c
ompute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.26) 5.341 ms ec2-52-66-0-32.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.3
     3.874 ms
 2 100.66.8.56 (100.66.8.56) 4.872 ms 100.66.8.76 (100.66.8.76) 7.696 ms * 3 100.66.10.100 (100.66.10.100) 5.855 ms 100.66.10.166 (100.66.10.166) 3.200 ms 100.66.11.96 (100.
                5.631 ms
 4 100.66.6.167 (100.66.6.167) 3.769 ms * 100.66.7.69 (100.66.7.69) 3.932 ms 5 100.66.4.17 (100.66.4.17) 2.289 ms 100.66.4.125 (100.66.4.125) 6.733 ms 100.66.4.255 (100.66.4.2
      8.669 ms
     100.65.9.129 (100.65.9.129) 0.442 ms 100.65.10.65 (100.65.10.65) 5.236 ms 100.65.11.65 (100.65.1
          3.464 ms
      52.95.65.132 (52.95.65.132) 3.601 ms 52.95.67.181 (52.95.67.181) 2.786 ms 52.95.65.132 (52.95.65
 132) 2.748 ms
8 52.95.67.16 (52.95.67.16) 0.997 ms 52.95.66.104 (52.95.66.104) 2.024 ms 52.95.66.170 (52.95.66.1
 70) 2.030 ms
9 52.95.66.135 (52.95.66.135) 1.477 ms 52.95.65.224 (52.95.65.224) 1.743 ms 52.95.66.179 (52.95.66
 .179) 1.388 ms
10 115.114.89.57.static-Mumbai.vsnl.net.in (115.114.89.57) 0.935 ms 115.114.89.121.static-Mumbai.vsn
 l.net.in (115.114.89.121) 1.335 ms 1.329 ms
      ix-ae-0-100.tcore2.mlv-mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.39.25) 1.848 ms 1.820 ms ix-ae-0-100.tcore1.mlv
 -mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.38.5) 1.468 ms
13 if-ae-2-2.tcore1.mlv-mumbai.as6453.net (180.87.38.1) 118.684 ms 118.654 ms if-ae-5-6.tcore1.wyn-
marseille.as6453.net (180.87.38.126) 118.682 ms
14 if-ae-29-8.tcore1.wyn-marseille.as6453.net (80.231.217.110) 118.629 ms if-ae-5-2.tcore1.wyn-marse
 ille.as6453.net (80.231.217.29) 118.421 ms if-ae-21-2.tcore1.pye-paris.as6453.net (80.231.154.208)
18.491 ms
15 if-ae-8-1600.tcore1.pye-paris.as6453.net (80.231.217.6) 118.504 ms if-ae-11-2.tcore1.pvu-paris.as
6453.net(80.231.153.49) 118.781 ms if-ae-8-1600.tcorel.pye-paris.as6453.net(80.231.217.6) 118.557
16 80.231.153.66 (80.231.153.66) 118.982 ms 118.816 ms 118.884 ms
17 ae-1-3104.edge3.Paris1.Level3.net (4.69.161.110) 118.850 ms ae-2-3204.edge3.Paris1.Level3.net (4.69.161.114) 118.791 ms 80.231.153.66 (80.231.153.66) 119.182 ms
18 global-crossing-xe-level3.paris1.level3.net (4.68.63.230) 118.734 ms ae-2-3204.edge3.Paris1.Level
IS global-crossing-xe-level3.paris1. Tevel3.net (4.68.63.230) 118./34 ms ae-2-3204.edge3.Paris1.Level3.net (4.69.161.114) 118.947 ms global-crossing-xe-level3.paris1.level3.net (4.68.63.230) 118.688 ms 19 roc1-ar5-xe-11-0-0-0.us.twtelecom.net (35.248.1.162) 195.791 ms 195.794 ms 195.877 ms 20 66-195-65-170.static.ctl.one (66.195.65.170) 202.130 ms roc1-ar5-xe-11-0-0-0.us.twtelecom.net (35.248.1.162) 196.089 ms 66-195-65-170.static.ctl.one (66.195.65.170) 202.376 ms 21 nat.hws.edu (64.89.144.100) 203.853 ms 203.929 ms 203.800 ms
           nat.hws.edu (64.89.144.100) 203.788 ms
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ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$
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The first row shows that the process of route tracing has started as the last column shows the Default Gateway of the user. The next three rows in both the cases are similar as the route is being

traced starting from the ISP (Internet service provider) of the user. The next few rows, after which the tracing reaches the common IP address of 66.195.65.170 and then math.hws.edu [64.89.144.100], clearly show that the route is completely different after crossing the ISP for both the cases. A domain name might have multiple IP addresses associated. If this is the case, multiple traces may access two or more IP addresses. This will yield trace paths that differ from one another, even if the origin and destinations are the same. Domains may also use multiple servers for its subdomains. Tracing the path to the base domain might result in a completely different path when tracing to the subdomain. A URL with the **www** prefix is technically a subdomain, so it's possible that traces to **example.com** and **www.example.com** follow two very different paths.

Exercise 3: Two packets sent from the same source to the same destination do not necessarily follow the same path through the net. Experiment with some sources that are fairly far away. Can you find cases where packets sent to the same destination follow different paths? How likely does it seem to be? What about when the packets are sent at very different times? Save some of the outputs from traceroute. (You can copy them from the Terminal window by highlighting and right-clicking, then paste into a text editor.) Come back sometime next week, try the same destinations again, and compare the results with the results from today. Report your observations.

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Ubuntumip-172-31-40-210:-5 traceroute cs.stanford.edu
traceroute to cs.stanford.edu (171.64.64.64), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets

1 ec2-52-66-0-32.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.32) 4.516 ms ec2-52-66-0-36.ap-south-1.compute.amazonaws.com (52.66.0.36) 1.732 ms 1.716 ms

2 100.66.8.170 (100.66.8.170) 2.359 ms 100.66.8.226 (100.66.8.226) 4.721 ms

3 100.66.10.2 (100.66.10.2) 0.993 ms 100.66.11.2 (100.66.11.2) 2.314 ms 100.66.10.4 (100.66.10.4) 5.251 ms

4 100.66.6.1 (100.66.6.1) 6.055 ms 100.66.6.135 (100.66.6.135) 8.399 ms 8.413 ms

5 100.66.4.33 (100.66.4.33) 7.924 ms 100.66.4.35 (100.64.35) 8.073 ms

6 100.65.10.225 (100.65.10.225) 1.244 ms 100.65.9.33 (100.65.9.33) 0.451 ms 100.65.8.193 (100.65.8.193) 0.701 ms

7 52.95.65.132 (52.95.65.132) 1.515 ms 52.95.65.128 (52.95.65.128) 1.343 ms 52.95.67.179 (52.95.67.179) 1.499 ms

8 52.95.67.60 (52.95.67.60) 5.455 ms 52.95.66.60 (52.95.66.60) 2.810 ms 52.95.66.47 (52.95.66.47) 1.610 ms

10 115.110.234.233.static.Mumbai.vsnl.net.in (115.110.234.233) 1.730 ms 1.614 ms 115.114.89.121.static-Mumbai.vsnl.net.in (115.114.89.121) 1.431 ms

12 ix-ae-4-2.tcore2.cxr-chennai.as6453.net (180.87.37.1) 22.737 ms 23.750 ms

13 ** "**ae-4-2.tcore2.cxr-chennai.as6453.net (180.87.37.1) 22.737 ms 243.488 ms if-ae-7-2.tcore2.lvw-losangeles.as6453.net (180.87.37.1) 22.737 ms 16.49 ms

16 1as-b24-link.telia.net (80.239.128.214) 252.311 ms 252.324 ms if-ae-2-2.tcore1.lvw-losangeles.as6453.net (66.110.59.1)

17 as-b24-link.telia.net (80.239.128.214) 252.239 ms 255.553 ms palo-b24-link.telia.net (62.115.119.90) 258.758 ms

18 palo-b1-link.telia.net (80.239.128.214) 252.239 ms 255.553 ms palo-b24-link.telia.net (62.115.119.90) 258.758 ms

19 palo-b1-link.telia.net (80.239.128.214) 252.331 ms 252.334 ms if-ae-2-2.tcore1.lvw-losangeles.as6453.net (180.87.15.26) 250.133 ms

19 palo-b1-link.telia.net (62.115.122.169) 266.533 ms palo-b24-link.telia.net (62.115.119.90) 258.758 ms

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Questions About Paths

Now look at the results you gathered and answer the following questions about the paths taken by your packets. Store your answers in a file named traceroute.txt.

1. Is any part of the path common for all hosts you tracerouted?

Yes, the tracerouting follows a particular path from the user's IP address through the IP addresses of the ISP and then the path really depends on which access point is ready to respond

2. Is there a relationship between the number of nodes that show up in the traceroute and the location of the host? If so, what is this relationship?

Yes , because if the distance between the location of the user and that of the destination url is more, then more hops will be required in order to reach the destination as more number of access points will be used for routing and the greater the number of access points involved, the greater are the chances of access points failing to respond and similarly for searching the alternative optimal path towards the destination.

3. Is there a relationship between the number of nodes that show up in the traceroute and latency of the host (from your ping results above)? Does the same relationship hold for all hosts?

If the latency of the host causes the traceroute request to get timed out even after the conventional three tries, then it keeps on sending the data packets until the host responds or upto a certain maximum hops. It may not hold for each host as it really depends on the time which the host takes to respond. If the host responds in the first request itself, the tracerouting stops with a success message.

WHOIS

Whois — The *whois* command can give detailed information about domain names and IP addresses. If it is not installed on the computers then install it with command sudo apt-get install whois in.

Whois can tell you what organization owns or is responsible for the name or address and where to contact them. It often includes a list of domain name servers for the organization. When using *whois* to look up a domain name, use the simple two-part network name, not an individual computer name (for example, *whois spit.ac.in*).

Exercise 4: (Short.) Use *whois* to investigate a well-known web site such as google.com or amazon.com, and write a couple of sentences about what you find out.

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ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ whois google.com
       Domain Name: GOOGLE.COM
Registry Domain ID: 2138514_DOMAIN_COM-VRSN
       Registrar WHOIS Server: whois markmonitor.com
Registrar URL: http://www.markmonitor.com
Updated Date: 2019-09-09T15:39:04Z
Creation Date: 1997-09-15T04:00:00Z
       Registry Expiry Date: 2028-09-14T04:00:00Z
Registrar: MarkMonitor Inc.
Registrar IANA ID: 292
       Registrar Abuse Contact Email: abusecomplaints@markmonitor.com
       Registrar Abuse Contact Phone: +1.2083895740
Domain Status: clientDeleteProhibited https://icann.org/epp#clientDeleteProhibited
       Domain Status: clientTransferProhibited https://icann.org/epp#clientTransferProhibited Domain Status: clientUpdateProhibited https://icann.org/epp#clientUpdateProhibited Domain Status: serverDeleteProhibited https://icann.org/epp#serverDeleteProhibited Domain Status: serverTransferProhibited https://icann.org/epp#serverTransferProhibited Domain Status: serverUpdateProhibited https://icann.org/epp#serverUpdateProhibited Domain Status: serverUpdateProhibited https://icann.org/epp#serverUpdateProhibited
       Name Server: NS1.GOOGLE.COM
Name Server: NS2.GOOGLE.COM
       Name Server: NS3.GOOGLE.COM
Name Server: NS4.GOOGLE.COM
DNSSEC: unsigned
  URL of the ICANN Whois Inaccuracy Complaint Form: https://www.icann.org/wicf/
>>> Last update of whois database: 2020-08-28T09:49:28Z <<<
For more information on Whois status codes, please visit https://icann.org/epp
NOTICE: The expiration date displayed in this record is the date the
registrar's sponsorship of the domain name registration in the registry is
currently set to expire. This date does not necessarily reflect the expiration date of the domain name registrant's agreement with the sponsoring registrar. Users may consult the sponsoring registrar's Whois database to view the registrar's reported date of expiration for this registration.
TERMS OF USE: You are not authorized to access or query our Whois
database through the use of electronic processes that are high-volume and
automated except as reasonably necessary to register domain names or modify existing registrations; the Data in VeriSign Global Registry Services' ("VeriSign") Whois database is provided by VeriSign for information purposes only, and to assist persons in obtaining information about or related to a domain name registration record. VeriSign does not
guarantee its accuracy. By submitting a Whois query, you agree to abide
by the following terms of use: You agree that you may use this Data only
for lawful purposes and that under no circumstances will you use this Data
to: (1) allow, enable, or otherwise support the transmission of mass
unsolicited, commercial advertising or solicitations via e-mail, telephone,
or facsimile; or (2) enable high volume, automated, electronic processes that apply to VeriSign (or its computer systems). The compilation, repackaging, dissemination or other use of this Data is expressly prohibited without the prior written consent of VeriSign. You agree not to use electronic processes that are automated and high-volume to access or
query the Whois database except as reasonably necessary to register
domain names or modify existing registrations. VeriSign reserves the right
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domain names or modify existing registrations. VeriSign reserves the right to restrict your access to the Whois database in its sole discretion to ensure operational stability. VeriSign may restrict or terminate your access to the Whois database for failure to abide by these terms of use. VeriSign reserves the right to modify these terms at any time.
 The Registry database contains ONLY .COM, .NET, .EDU domains and
 Registrars.
Domain Name: google.com
Registry Domain ID: 2138514_DOMAIN_COM-VRSN
Registrar WHOIS Server: whois markmonitor.com
Registrar URL: http://www.markmonitor.com
Updated Date: 2019-09-09T08:39:04-0700
Creation Date: 1997-09-15T00:00:00-0700
Registrar Registration Expiration Date: 2028-09-13T00:00:00-0700
Registrar: MarkMonitor, Inc.
Registrar IANA ID: 292
 Registrar Abuse Contact Email: abusecomplaints@markmonitor.com
Registrar Abuse Contact Phone: +1.2083895770
Domain Status: clientUpdateProhibited (https://www.icann.org/epp#clientUpdateProhibited)
Domain Status: clientTransferProhibited (https://www.icann.org/epp#clientTransferProhibited)
Domain Status: clientTransferProhibited (https://www.icann.org/epp#clientDeleteProhibited)
Domain Status: clientDeleteProhibited (https://www.icann.org/epp#serverUpdateProhibited)
Domain Status: serverUpdateProhibited (https://www.icann.org/epp#serverTransferProhibited)
Domain Status: serverTransferProhibited (https://www.icann.org/epp#serverTransferProhibited)
Domain Status: serverDeleteProhibited (https://www.icann.org/epp#serverDeleteProhibited)
 Registrant Organization: Google LLC
 Registrant State/Province: CA
Registrant Country: US
Registrant Email: Select Request Email Form at https://domains.markmonitor.com/whois/google.com
Admin Organization: Google LLC
Admin State/Province: CA
Admin Country: US
Admin Email: Select Request Email Form at https://domains.markmonitor.com/whois/google.com
 Tech Organization: Google LLC
 Tech State/Province: CA
Tech Country: US
Tech Email: Select Request Email Form at https://domains.markmonitor.com/whois/google.com
Name Server: ns1.google.com
 Name Server: ns3.google.com
Name Server: ns2.google.com
 Name Server: ns4.google.com
 DNSSEC: unsigned
URL of the ICANN WHOIS Data Problem Reporting System: http://wdprs.internic.net/
>>> Last update of WHOIS database: 2020-08-28T02:41:24-0700 <<<
 For more information on WHOIS status codes, please visit:
    https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/epp-status-codes
If you wish to contact this domain's Registrant, Administrative, or Technical contact, and such email address is not visible above, you may do so via our web form, pursuant to ICANN's Temporary Specification. To verify that you are not a robot, please enter your email address to receive a link to a page that facilitates email communication with the relevant contact(s).
 Web-based WHOIS:
    https://domains.markmonitor.com/whois
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If you have a legitimate interest in viewing the non-public WHOIS details, send
your request and the reasons for your request to whoisrequest@markmonitor.com
and specify the domain name in the subject line. We will review that request and
may ask for supporting documentation and explanation.
The data in MarkMonitor's WHOIS database is provided for information purposes,
and to assist persons in obtaining information about or related to a domain
name's registration record. While MarkMonitor believes the data to be accurate,
the data is provided "as is" with no guarantee or warranties regarding its
accuracy.
By submitting a WHOIS query, you agree that you will use this data only for
lawful purposes and that, under no circumstances will you use this data to:
(1) allow, enable, or otherwise support the transmission by email, telephone, or facsimile of mass, unsolicited, commercial advertising, or spam; or
(2) enable high volume, automated, or electronic processes that send queries,
data, or email to MarkMonitor (or its systems) or the domain name contacts (or
its systems).
MarkMonitor reserves the right to modify these terms at any time.
By submitting this query, you agree to abide by this policy.
MarkMonitor Domain Management(TM)
Protecting companies and consumers in a digital world.
Visit MarkMonitor at https://www.markmonitor.com
Contact us at +1.8007459229
In Europe, at +44.02032062220
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ |
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The whois command gives information about the domain name, the Registry Domain ID and some other details such as the details of the Registrar and the Registrant. For example, in case of google.com (domain name), the Registrant Organization is Google LLC, the Registrant State/Province is California and the Registrant Country is the United States. It also provides the domain expiry date.

Exercise 5: (Should be short.) Because of NAT, the domain name *spit.ac.in* has a different IP address outside of SPIT than it does on campus. Using information in this lab and working on a home computer, find the outside IP address for spit.ac.in. Explain how you did it.

Geolocation — A geolocation service tries to tell, approximately, where a given IP address is located physically. They can't be completely accurate—but they probably get at least the country right most of the time.

This geolocation program is not installed on our computers, but you can access one on the command line using the *curl* command, which can send HTTP requests and display the response. The following command uses *curl* to contact a public web service that will look up an IP address for you: curl ipinfo.io/<IP-address>. For a specific example:

(As you can see, you get back more than just the location.)

Screenshot:

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ curl ipinfo.io/129.64.99.200
{
    "ip": "129.64.99.200",
    "hostname": "websrv-prod.unet.brandeis.edu",
    "city": "Waltham",
    "region": "Massachusetts",
    "country": "US",
    "loc": "42.3765,-71.2356",
    "org": "AS10561 Brandeis University",
    "postal": "02453",
    "timezone": "America/New_York",
    "readme": "https://ipinfo.io/missingauth"
}ubuntu@ip-172-31-40-210:~$ |
```

Conclusion:

- 1. Learnt about some basic command line network utilities.
- 2. Learnt about Network Latency, RTT and the factors impacting RTT.