

## Question 1

1. The IP address of [www.koala.com.au](http://www.koala.com.au) is 172.67.219.46 and 104.21.45.210. It has multiple IP addresses because it has multiple servers to run the same website, use a technique called round-robin DNS to achieve load distribution and load balancing.
2. localhost. 127.0.0.1 is the first assignable IP address in the subnet, and it is always used to establish connection with the same machine being used by the end-user.

## Question 2

Unreachable address:

- [www.getfittest.com.au](http://www.getfittest.com.au)
- [www.hola.hp](http://www.hola.hp)

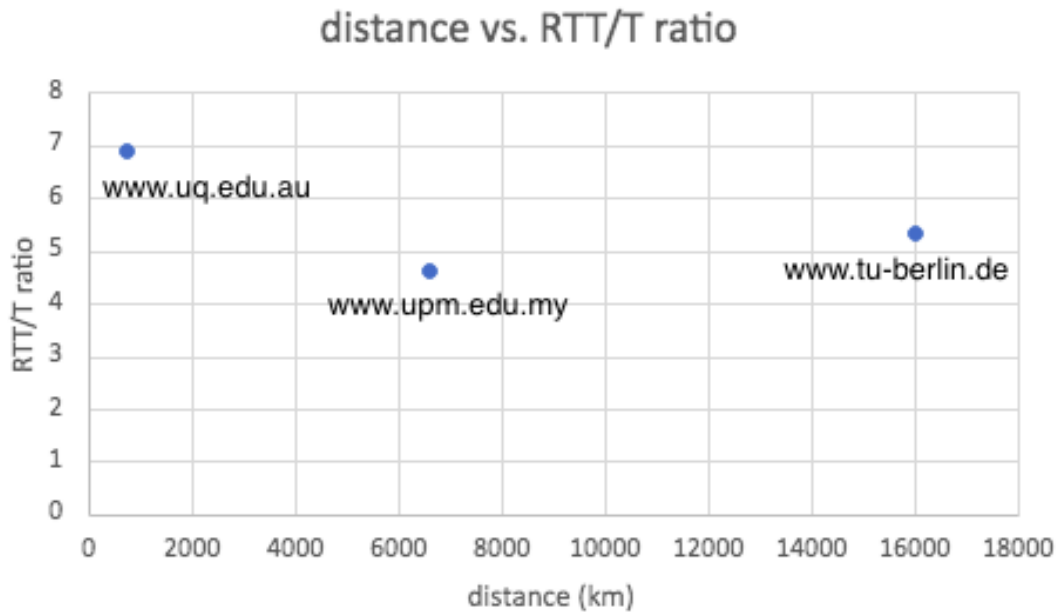
[www.getfittest.com](http://www.getfittest.com) and [www.hola.com](http://www.hola.com) exist, however they are not in domain “au” and “hp”. We try to find them in the wrong domain, therefore they are not reachable.

## Question 3

1. 22 routers between my workstation and [www.columbia.edu](http://www.columbia.edu), 5 of them are part of UNSW network, between 113.197.15.201(AU) and 207.231.240.8(Seattle, US), the packets cross the pacific ocean.
2. After 149.171.253.34, the three paths diverge. This router is Asia Pacific Network Information Centre, at South Brisbane. The number of hops on each path is proportional the physical distance.
3. I choose [www.speedtest.com.sg](http://www.speedtest.com.sg) and [www.telstra.net](http://www.telstra.net). The reverse path doesn't go through the same routers as forward path. This is each router takes its own decision about the next-hop and doesn't care about the path another packet in the same conversion took.

## Question 4

1. Let T be the time for light to travel the certain distance.
  - [www.uq.edu.au](http://www.uq.edu.au) is approximately 740km from UNSW
    - $T = 7.4 \times 10^5 / (3 \times 10^8) = 2.5\text{ms}$
    - RTT = 17.3ms
    - Ratio = 6.9
  - [www.upm.edu.my](http://www.upm.edu.my) is approximately 6600km from UNSW
    - $T = 6.6 \times 10^6 / (3 \times 10^8) = 22\text{ms}$
    - RTT = 102ms
    - Ratio =  $102/22 = 4.6$
  - [www.tu-berlin.de](http://www.tu-berlin.de) is approximately 16000km from UNSW
    - $T = 1.6 \times 10^7 / (3 \times 10^8) = 53\text{ms}$
    - RTT = 281ms
    - Ratio =  $281/53 = 5.3$



Possible reasons that y-axis is greater than 2:

- The RTT is at least  $2T$  since the packets need to reach the destination from UNSW and get back
  - There are 4 types of delays, transmission delay, queuing delay, propagation delay, and processing delay, and  $T$  only accounts for propagation delay.
  - Therefore RTT is more than 2 times larger than  $T$ , hence the ratios are all greater than 2.
2. It slightly varies over time. One possible reason is uncertainty in queuing delay. The router can process one packet at a time. When the package arrives at the router, there could be some packets waiting in queue to be transmitted, or the queue could be empty, depending on if there are other hosts or routers send packet to the current router or our packet in. Therefore the total delay is randomly varying over time.
  3. It is NOT in Switzerland, it's in San Francisco.
  4. Transmission delay is time that a packet takes to be placed in the link, therefore it depends on the size of the packet. All the other delays are irrelevant to the packet size.