E1:

1. IP address: 151.101.65.67/151.101.129.67/151.101.193.67/151.101.1.67. In my opinion, the reason why I got four IP addressed is that the answer I've received is essentially a cached or forwarded response from my local DNS sever, it is called load balancing which aims to optimize resource use and avoid overload.

2. Name: localhost. Localhost is a hostname which means this computer, and it is used to access the network service that are running on the host via the loopback network interface. Generally, it is used for testing purpose.

E2:

The reason that some hosts are not reachable is that these hosts name are wrong or not exist and DNS sever cannot find IP address corresponding to these websites, for example, www.getfittest.com.au and www.hola.hp are unreachable by ping command.

www.kremlin.ru is unreachable by ping command but reachable from the web browser, mainly because some host severs disable ICMP protocol or set up a whitelist in order to avoid excessive ping traffic and malicious detection but web browser uses HTTP protocol, so even if ICMP is disabled, the web service can be used normally.

E3:

There are 22 routers between my workstation and <u>www.columbia.edu</u>. 5 routers along the path are part of the UNSW network. Packets cross the Pacific Ocean between No.9(113.197.15.201, AU) and No.10(207.231.240.8, USA) router.

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### P220310@vx2;*** traceroute www.columbia.edu (128,59,105,24), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets  
1 cserouter1-server.cse.unsw.EDU,AU (129,94,242,251) 0,083 ms 0,058 ms 0,074 ms  
2 129,94,33,17 (129,94,33,17) 0,837 ms 0,826 ms 0,806 ms  
3 libudnex1-v1-3154.gwu.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,34) 1,150 ms 1,591 ms ombudnex1-v1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,165) 1,104 ms omber1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,165) 1,112 ms liber1-po-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,165) 1,104 ms omber1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,165) 1,112 ms liber1-po-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,105) 1,125 ms 1,387 ms 1,344 ms  
5 unswbr1-te-2-13.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,105) 1,112 ms unswbr1-te-1-9.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,101) 1,125 ms 1,143 ms  
6 138,44,5,0 (138,44,5,0) 1,257 ms 1,387 ms 1,344 ms  
5 et-1-3-0.pel.sxt.bkvl.nsw.earnet.net.au (113,197,15,194) 2,043 ms 1,979 ms 2,064 ms  
8 et-0-0-0.pel.a.hnl.aarnet.net.au (113,197,15,93) 95,034 ms 94,946 ms  
9 et-2-1-0.bdr1.a.sea.aarnet.net.au (113,197,15,201) 146,477 ms 146,563 ms 146,518 ms  
abilene-1-lo-jmb-706,sttlwa.pacificwave.net (207,231,240,8) 146,631 ms 146,576 ms 146,648 ms  
1 et-4-0-0.4079.rtsw.mins2.net.internet2.edu (162,252,70,0) 160,610 ms 160,476 ms 180,048 ms  
2 et-4-0-0.4079.rtsw.minn.net.internet2.edu (162,252,70,10) 169,546 ms 180,442 ms 181,020 ms  
3 et-1-1-5,4079.rtsw.geqch.net.internet2.edu (162,252,70,105) 246,568 ms 196,593 ms 196,457 ms  
4 ae-0,4079.rtsw.geqch.net.internet2.edu (162,252,70,130) 189,598 ms 196,593 ms 196,595 ms  
5 buf-9208-12-CLEV.nysernet.net (199,109,11,33) 201,269 ms 202,713 ms 202,663 ms  
199,109,7,98 (199,109,7,98) 207,238 ms 207,270 ms 207,274 ms  
20 columbia.nyc-9208.nysernet.net (199,109,7,193) 204,466 ms 204,571 ms 205,295 ms  
199,109,7,98 (199,109,7,98) 207,238 ms 207,407 ms 207,267 ms  
20 columbia.nyc-9208.nysernet.net (199,109,7,103) 210,147 ms 210,099 ms 210,274 ms  
20 columbia.nyc-9208.nysernet.net (199,109,7,98) 209,398 ms 200,207 ms 210,208 ms 210,208 ms 210,208 ms 210,208 ms 210,208 ms 210,209 ms 210,208 ms 210,209
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2. As we can see, the first 6 routers are the same on all these 3 paths, in addition <u>www.ucla.edu</u> and www.lancaster.ac.uk have same hops between No.1 and No.9.

For all 3 paths, they diverge following the No.6(138.44.5.0) router, the details of this router shows below:

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% Information related to '138.44.5.0/24AS7575'

route: 138.44.5.0/24
origin: AS7575
descr: Australian Academic and Research Network
Building 9
Banks Street
mnt-by: MAINT-AARNET-AP
last-modified: 2019-04-03T03:55:51Z
source: APNIC
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The number of hops on each path don't have proportional relationship with the physical distance, since traceroute to tokyo(www.u-tokyo.ac.jp) and LA (www.ucla.edu) have great difference physical distance but almost the same hops, 15 and 14 respectively.

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z5230310@vx1:/tmp_amd/kamen/export/kamen/4/z5230310/Desktop$ traceroute www.ucla.edu traceroute to www.ucla.edu (164,67.228,152), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
1 cserouter1-server.cse.unsw.EDU.AU (129,94,242,251) 0.115 ms 0.091 ms 0.070 ms
2 129,94,39,17 (129,94,39,17) 0.836 ms 0.855 ms 0.807 ms
  3 ombudnex1-v1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.253.35) 1.338 ms libudnex1-v1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.253.34) 1.274 ms ombudnex1-v1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.253.35) 1.316 ms
  4 libcr1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.201) 3.983 ms ombcr1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.169) 0.997 ms 1.067
  5 unswbr1-te-1-9.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.101) 1.123 ms 1.112 ms unswbr1-te-2-13.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.105)
   1,123 ms
  6 138,44.5.0 (138,44.5.0) 1.876 ms 1.222 ms 1.217 ms
  7 et-1-3-0.pe1.sxt.bkvl.nsw.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.149) 2.160 ms 2.184 ms 2.160 ms
  8 et-0-0-0.pe1.a.hnl.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.99)
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 9 et-2-1-0.bdr1.a.sea.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.201) 146.504 ms 146.542 ms 146.494 ms
10 cenichpr-1-is-jmb-778.snvaca.pacificwave.net (207.231.245.129) 163.110 ms 163.108 ms
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 11 hpr-lax-hpr3--svl-hpr3-100ge.cenic.net (137.164.25.73) 171.178 ms 171.200 ms 171.224 ms
13 bd11f1.anderson--c
14 cr00f2.csb1--dr00f
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     bd11f1.anderson--cr00f2.csb1.ucla.net (169.232.4.4) 171.397 ms 171.615 ms 172.065 ms
      cr00f2.csb1--dr00f2.csb1.ucla.net (169,232,4.53) 171,356 ms cr00f1.anderson--dr00f2.csb1.ucla.net (169,232,4.55) 1
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 z5230310@vx1:/tmp_amd/kamen/export/kamen/4/z5230310/Desktop$
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z5230310@vx1:/tmp_amd/kamen/export/kamen/4/z5230310/Desktop$ traceroute www.u-tokyo.ac.jp
traceroute to www.u-tokyo.ac.jp (210.152.243.234), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
1 cserouter1-server.cse.unsw.EDU.AU (129.94.242.251) 0.077 ms 0.079 ms 0.081 ms
     129,94,39,17 (129,94,39,17) 0.881 ms 0.829 ms 0.792 ms ombudnex1-vl-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,253,34) 1,188 ms
4 liber1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.201) 1.094 ms omber1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.169) 8.023 ms omber1-po-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.169) 8.023 ms omber1-po-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.197) 8.051 ms
5 unswbr1-te-2-13.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.105) 1.142 ms unswbr1-te-1-9.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.101) 1.168 ms un
swbr1-te-2-13.gu.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.105) 1.157 ms
6 138.44.5.0 (138.44.5.0) 1.294 ms 1.272 ms 1.342 ms
       et-0-3-0.pe1.bkvl.nsw.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.147) 1.805 ms 1.692 ms 1.713 ms
     eu-o-o-o-pei.pkvi.nsw.aarnet.net.au (115.19/.15.14/) 1.805 ms 1.632 ms 1.713 ms ge-4_0_0.bb1.a.pao.aarnet.net.au (202.158.194.177) 156.030 ms 155.984 ms 155.950 ms paloalto0.iij.net (198.32.176.24) 157.389 ms 157.428 ms 157.490 ms osk004bb00.IIJ.Net (58.138.88.185) 288.238 ms osk004bb01.IIJ.Net (58.138.88.189) 270.820 ms 270.819 ms osk004ix51.IIJ.Net (58.138.106.126) 288.087 ms 287.826 ms 210.130.135.130 (210.130.135.130) 279.173 ms 279.145 ms 270.544 ms 124.83 228.58 (124.83 229.58) 270.520 ms 270.524 ms 270.524 ms
      124.83.228.58 (124.83.228.58) 270.510 ms 270.694 ms 270.647 ms 124.83.252.178 (124.83.252.178) 276.363 ms 285.140 ms 276.548 ms 158.205.134.26 (158.205.134.26) 284.991 ms 285.131 ms 285.109 ms
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Z523V31V@vx1:/tmp_amd/kamen/export/kamen/4/z523V31V/Desktop$ traceroute www.lancaster.ac.uk
traceroute to www.lancaster.ac.uk (148.88.65.80), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
       cserouter1-server.cse.unsw.EDU.AU (129.94.242.251) 0.118 ms 0.095 ms 0.085 ms
         129,94,39,17 (129,94,39,17) 0,838 ms 0,832 ms 0,876 ms
       libudnex1-vl-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.253.34) 1.650 ms 1.643 ms 1.613 ms
       libor1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.201) 1.045 ms 1.060 ms ombor1-po-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.197) 1.03
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5 unswbr1-te-1-9.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.101) 1.081 ms unswbr1-te-2-13.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.105) 1.100 m
s unswbr1-te-1-9.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.101) 1.121 ms
6 138.44.5.0 (138.44.5.0) 1.228 ms 1.294 ms 1.271 ms
7 et-1-3-0.pe1.sxt.bkvl.nsw.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.149) 2.286 ms 2.102 ms 2.102 ms
       et-0-0-0.pe1.a.hnl.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.99) 95.120 ms 95.118 ms 95.109 ms
         et-2-1-0.bdr1.a.sea.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.201) 146.513 ms 146.451 ms 146.448 ms
       abilene-1-lo-jmb-706,sttlwa.pacificwave.net (207.231.240.8) 147.583 ms 147.143 ms 147.137 ms
      abliene-1-10-jmb-705,sttlwa.pacificwave.net (207.251,240,8) 147,585 ms 147,145 ms 147,157 ms et-4-0-0.4079,rtsw.miss2.net.internet2.edu (162.252,70.0) 157,531 ms 157,552 ms 157,328 ms et-4-0-0.4079.rtsw.minn.net.internet2.edu (162.252,70.58) 180,638 ms 180,432 ms 180,456 ms et-1-1-5,4079.rtsw.eqch.net.internet2.edu (162.252,70.106) 188,356 ms 188,499 ms 188,566 ms ae-0.4079.rtsw3.eqch.net.internet2.edu (162.252,70.163) 188,786 ms 188,536 ms 188,591 ms ae-1.4079.rtsw.clev.net.internet2.edu (162.252,70.130) 198,215 ms 197,365 ms 197,457 ms ae-0.4079.rtsw.ashb.net.internet2.edu (162.252,70.128) 205,229 ms 205,332 ms 205,332 ms 206,4079.rtsw.ashb.net.internet2.edu (162.252,70.128) 205,229 ms 205,332 ms 206,332 ms 206,4079.rtsw.ashb.net.internet2.edu (162.252,70.128) 205,229 ms 205,332 ms 206,332 
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        ae-2,4079.rtsw2.ashb.net.internet2.edu (162,252.70.75) 205,161 ms 205,223 ms 204,946 ms
         ae-2.4079.rtsw.wash.net.internet2.edu (162.252.70.136) 205.250 ms
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        internet2-gw.mx1.lon.uk.geant.net (62.40.124.44) 279.891 ms 279.769 ms 280.137 ms
        Internet-gw,mx1.10n,uk.geant.net (62.40.124.198) 280.084 ms 280.062 ms 280.760 ms ae29,1ondpg-sbr2.ja.net (146.97.33.2) 281.120 ms 280.428 ms 280.455 ms ae31.erdiss-sbr2.ja.net (146.97.33.22) 284.319 ms 284.268 ms 284.304 ms ae29.manckh-sbr2.ja.net (146.97.33.42) 286.223 ms 286.129 ms 286.169 ms ae24.lanclu-rbr1.ja.net (146.97.38.58) 288.436 ms 288.422 ms 288.300 ms
         lancaster-university.ja.net (194.81.46.2) 309.562 ms 309.144 ms 310.754 ms
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         ismx-issrx.rtr.lancs.ac.uk (148.88.255.17) 290.147 ms 290.340 ms 290.321 ms
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         iss-servers,iscore01-ismx01.rtr,lancs,ac.uk (148,88,7,137) 295,319 ms 293,348 ms 292,936 ms
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         www.lancs.ac.uk (148,88,65,80) 290,195 ms !X 290,183 ms !X 290,138 ms !X
z5230310@vx1:/tmp_amd/kamen/export/kamen/4/z5230310/Desktop$ ▮
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3. Traceroute from <u>www.telstra.net</u> to my machine:

Ip address of my machine: 129.94.39.23

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1 gigabitethernet3-3.exi2.melbourne.telstra.net (203.50.77.53) 0.398 ms 0.213 ms 0.243 ms
2 bundle-ether3-100.win-core10.melbourne.telstra.net (203.50.80.129) 1.368 ms 1.738 ms 2.120 ms
3 bundle-ether12.ken-core10.sydney.telstra.net (203.50.11.122) 12.370 ms 13.863 ms 12.606 ms
4 bundle-ether1.ken-edge901.sydney.telstra.net (203.50.11.95) 11.972 ms 11.988 ms 11.978 ms
5 aarnet6.lnk.telstra.net (139.130.0.78) 11.600 ms 11.613 ms 11.597 ms
6 ge-6-0-0.bbl.a.syd.aarnet.net.au (202.158.202.17) 11.862 ms 11.834 ms 11.733 ms
7 ae9.pe2.brwy.nsw.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.56) 11.989 ms 12.097 ms 11.985 ms
8 et-3-1-0.pe1.brwy.nsw.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.146) 12.112 ms 12.101 ms 12.107 ms
138.44.5.1 (138.44.5.1) 12.487 ms 12.350 ms 12.361 ms
10 ombcr1-te-1-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.106) 12.357 ms 12.348 ms 12.361 ms
10 ombcr1-te-1-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.170) 28.475 ms 12.721 ms 20.479 ms
12 ufw1-ae-1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.253.36) 12.858 ms 12.847 ms 12.858 ms
13 129.94.39.23 (129.94.39.23) 13.112 ms 13.099 ms 12.985 ms
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Traceroute from my machine to www.telstra.net:

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z5230310@vx1:/tmp_amd/kamen/export/kamen/4/z5230310/Desktop$ traceroute www.telstra.net
traceroute to www.telstra.net (203.50.5.178), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
1 cserouter1-server.cse.unsw.EDU.AU (129.94.242.251) 0.097 ms 0.077 ms 0.056 ms
2 129,94,39,17 (129,94,39,17) 0,823 ms 0,820 ms 0,830 ms
3 libudnex1-vl-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.253.34) 1.481 ms 1.493 ms ombudnex1-vl-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.253.
85) 1.312 ms
4 liber1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.201) 1,110 ms omber1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.169) 1.145 ms liber1
-po-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.165) 1.107 ms
5 unswbr1-te-2-13.9w.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.105) 1,158 ms 1,159 ms 1,161 ms 6 138.44.5.0 (138.44.5.0) 1.205 ms 1,211 ms 1,247 ms
   et-0-3-0.pe1.alxd.nsw.aarnet.net.au (113,197,15.153) 1.569 ms 1.472 ms 1.468 ms
8 ae9.bb1.b.syd.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.65) 2.034 ms 2.069 ms 1.827 ms
9 gigabitethernet1-1.pe1.b.syd.aarnet.net.au (202.158.202.18) 1.853 ms 1.861 ms 1.881 ms
10 gigabitethernet3-11.ken37.sydney.telstra.net (139.130.0.77) 3.614 ms 3.515 ms 3.659 ms
11 bundle-ether2.chw-edge901.sydney.telstra.net (203.50.11.103) 2.638 ms 2.583 ms bundle-ether13.ken-core10.sydney.te
stra.net (203.50.11.94) 3.934 ms
12 bundle-ether10.win-core10.melbourne.telstra.net (203.50.11.123) 14.252 ms bundle-ether13.chw-core10.sydney.telstra.
net (203.50.11.98)  2.760 ms bundle-ether10.win-core10.melbourne.telstra.net (203.50.11.123)  13.776 ms
13 203.50.6.40 (203.50.6.40) 15.979 ms bundle-ether8.exi-core10.melbourne.telstra.net (203.50.11.125) 15.467 ms 203.5
0.6.40 (203.50.6.40) 16.451 ms
14 bundle-ether2.exi-ncprouter101.melbourne.telstra.net (203.50.11.209) 14.712 ms 17.021 ms 17.430 ms
    www.telstra.net (203.50.5.178) 14.193 ms 14.808 ms 14.837 ms
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Traceroute from www.speedtest.com.sg to my machine:

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Traceroute Result:

traceroute to 129.94.242.114 (129.94.242.114), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets

1 ge2-8.r01.sin01.ne.com.sg (202.150.221.169) 0.141 ms 0.133 ms 0.129 ms

2 10.15.62.210 (10.15.62.210) 0.335 ms 0.332 ms 0.329 ms

3 aarnet.sgix.sg (103.16.102.67) 223.607 ms 223.690 ms 223.688 ms

4 xe-3-0-3.pe1.brwy.nsw.aarnet.net.au (113.197.15.206) 232.871 ms 232.869 ms 232.787 ms

5 138.44.5.1 (138.44.5.1) 223.982 ms 224.064 ms 223.884 ms

6 ombor1-te-1-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.106) 230.896 ms 230.784 ms 230.850 ms

7 ombudnex1-po-2.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.255.170) 236.297 ms 236.300 ms 236.364 ms

8 ufw1-ae-1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149.171.253.36) 231.517 ms 231.537 ms 231.506 ms

9 129.94.39.23 (129.94.39.23) 224.750 ms 224.743 ms 224.691 ms

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Traceroute from my machine to <u>www.speedtest.com.sg</u>:

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25230310@vx1;/tmp_amd/kamen/export/kamen/4/z5230310/Besktop$ traceroute www.speedtest.com.sg
traceroute to www.speedtest.com.sg (202,150,221,170), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
1 cserouter1-server.cse.unsw.EDU.AU (129,94,242,251) 0.123 ms 0.101 ms 0.076 ms
2 129,94,39,17 (129,94,39,17) 0.831 ms 0.831 ms 0.732 ms
3 libudnex1-v1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,253,34) 1.311 ms 1.181 ms ombudnex1-v1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,253,34) 1.311 ms 1.181 ms ombudnex1-v1-3154.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,253,35) 1.439 ms
4 libcr1-po-6.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,201) 1.146 ms 1.136 ms ombcr1-po-5.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,197) 1.12
7 ms
5 unswbr1-te-2-13.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,105) 1.202 ms unswbr1-te-1-9.gw.unsw.edu.au (149,171,255,101) 1.157 m
1.063 ms
6 138,44,5,0 (138,44,5,0) 1.284 ms 1.316 ms 1.295 ms
7 et-0-3-0.pe1.alxd.nsw.aarnet.net.au (113,197,15,153) 1.624 ms 2.411 ms 2.389 ms
8 xe-0-0-3.pe1.wnpa.akl.aarnet.net.au (113,197,15,67) 24,159 ms xe-0-2-1-204.pe1.wnpa.alxd.aarnet.net.au (113,197,15,183) 24,163 ms 24,128 ms
9 et-0-1-0.200.pe1.tkpa.akl.aarnet.net.au (113,197,15,69) 24,439 ms 24,429 ms 24,476 ms
10 xe-0-2-6.bdr1.a.lax_aarnet.net.au (202,158,194,173) 147,861 ms 147,835 ms 147,838 ms
11 singtel.as7473.any2ix_coresite.com (206,72,210,63) 147,921 ms 147,935 ms 147,839 ms
12 203,208,177,110 (203,208,177,110) 308,191 ms 316,752 ms 203,208,182,153 (203,208,182,153) 333,968 ms
13 203,208,177,110 (203,208,177,110) 308,191 ms 316,752 ms 203,208,182,155 (203,208,182,155) 279,421 ms
14 203,208,182,253 (203,208,182,253) 314,686 ms * 314,567 ms
15 202-150-221-170,rev.ne.com.sg (202,150,221,170) 233,047 ms 203,208,177,110 (203,208,177,110) 308,046 ms 202-150-221-170,rev.ne.com.sg (202,150,221,170) 224,634 ms
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Apparently, the reverse path go through the different routers as the forward path. The reverse path and the forward path have some common routers but different IP addresses(e.g 138.44.5.0 and 138.44.5.1) because routers especially the huge routers have many interfaces, each interface have one unique IP address, and the internet environment is randomly and uncertainly. So the two paths can have common routers but different addresses.

E4:

www.nus.edu.sg is not responsive in my machine, so I select www.tsinghua.edu.cn instead.

1. Physical distance (straight line distance) from UNSW:

Brisbane: 736.26 Km

Beijing: 8963.32 Km

Berlin: 16083.34 Km

The shortest possible time:

Brisbane: $736260 / 3 * 10^8 = 2.45 \text{ ms}$

Beijing: $8963320 / 3 * 10^8 = 29.88 \text{ ms}$

Berlin: $16083340 / 3 * 10^8 = 53.61 \text{ ms}$

The minimum delay as measured by ping program:

Brisbane: 16.675 ms

Beijing: 275.089 ms

Berlin: 307.353 ms

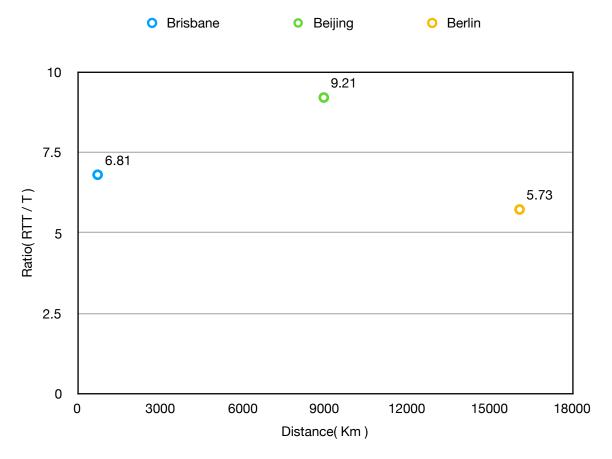
The radio(y-axis value) shows below:

Brisbane: 6.81

Beijing: 9.21

Berlin: 5.73

The following graph describe the distance and the ratio:



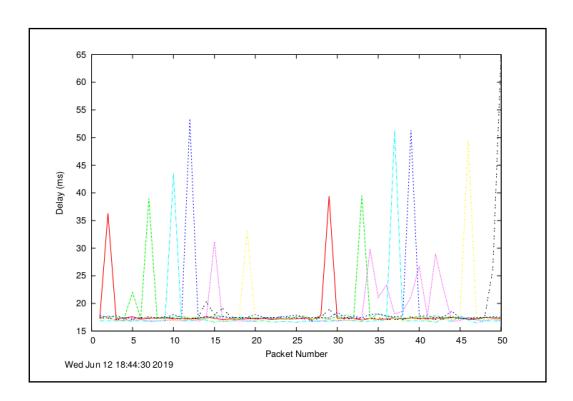
First reason: the distance from UNSW and destinations are straight line distance and the actual distance is further than straight line distance.

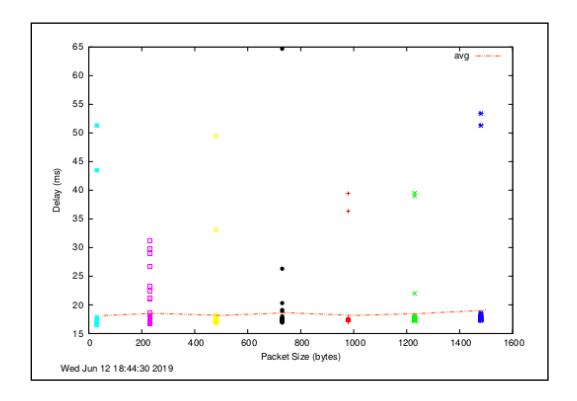
Second: the propagate speed is slower than light speed.

Third: the delay time measured by ping program also include queuing delay, processing delay through routers and switches.

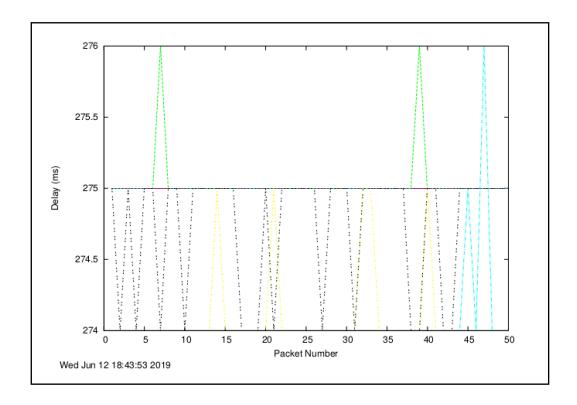
2. As following graphs show:

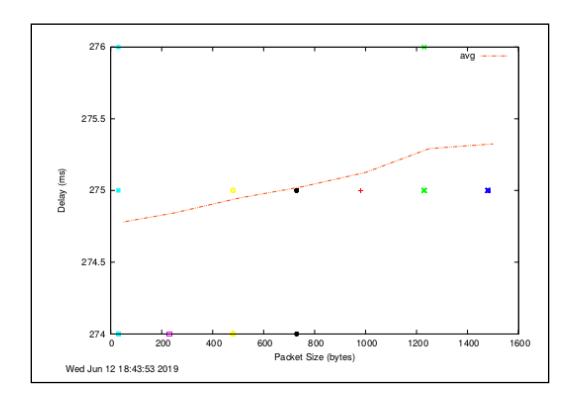
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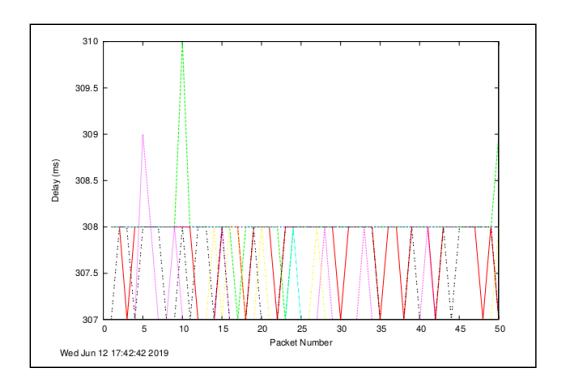


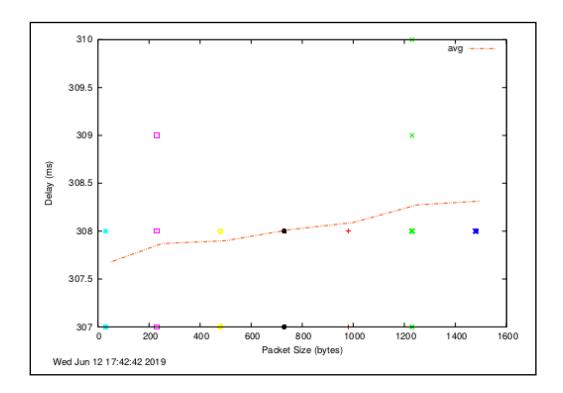
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Apparently, the delay to the destinations are various over time. Especially the second (Beijing) and the third destination (Berlin), the delays various depend on packet size, for the larger packets the delay is greater. However, this is not obviously in first destination(Brisbane) the average delay does not seem to vary for different packet sizes. Perhaps that's happened because the high traffic of network and the queuing delay take a significant part of the total delay.

3. No, use 'ping' command to find the result:

Apparently, we can find the RTT are quite small, but if it really hosted in Switzerland, the RTT should be quite large. Also, the ip(104.20.228.42) is not hosted in Switzerland.

4. Only transmission delay and processing delay are depend on the packet size. Propagation delay depends on the length of link and propagation speed, queuing delay depends on the congestion of network.