

# **HY-335b**

## **Project - Phase A**

Configuring a “mini” world wide network.

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# Question 1.1

The **ASN** of our team is 84, which means that our local subnet is :

Default IP: 84.200.0.0

Def. IP in binary: 01010100.11001000.00000000.00000000

Mask: 1111111.1111111.1111110.00000000

IP address: 01010100.11001000.00000000.00000000

IP's range from: 84.200.0.1 - 84.200.1.254

For this question we started assigning IP addresses to each host and router from the first IP that was available until all of them had IP's.

Student\_1 IP: 84.200.0.3/24

Staff\_1 IP: 84.200.0.4/24

Student\_2 IP: 84.200.0.5/24

Staff\_2 IP: 84.200.0.6/24

Student\_3 IP: 84.200.0.7/24

Staff\_3 IP: 84.200.0.8/24

student #1 

```
ifconfig
root@student_1:~# ifconfig
84-CERN: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 84.200.0.3 netmask 255.255.254.0 broadcast 84.200.1.255
        ether 46:c9:6d:57:5e txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
        RX packets 1425442 bytes 74312177 (70.8 MiB)
        RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
        TX packets 110 bytes 8288 (8.0 KiB)
        TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
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netstat

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netstat -rn
Kernel IP routing table
Destination     Gateway         Genmask        Flags MSS Window irtt Iface
0.0.0.0          84.200.0.2      0.0.0.0        UG        0 0          0 84-CERN
84.200.0.0        0.0.0.0        255.255.254.0   U        0 0          0 84-CERN
158.84.0.0       0.0.0.0        255.255.0.0     U        0 0          0 ssh
```

staff #1 

```
ifconfig
root@staff_1:~# ifconfig
84-CERN: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 84.200.0.4 netmask 255.255.254.0 broadcast 84.200.1.255
        ether a6:68:15:70:ef:f4 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
        RX packets 1425438 bytes 74308037 (70.8 MiB)
        RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
        TX packets 5 bytes 378 (378.0 B)
        TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
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netstat

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netstat -rn
Kernel IP routing table
Destination     Gateway         Genmask        Flags MSS Window irtt Iface
0.0.0.0          84.200.0.2      0.0.0.0        UG        0 0          0 84-CERN
84.200.0.0        0.0.0.0        255.255.254.0   U        0 0          0 84-CERN
158.84.0.0       0.0.0.0        255.255.0.0     U        0 0          0 ssh
```

student #2 

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ifconfig
root@student_2:~# ifconfig
84-ETHZ: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 84.200.0.5 netmask 255.255.254.0 broadcast 84.200.1.255
        ether 12:dd:14:94:3a:cd txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
        RX packets 1425524 bytes 74312451 (70.8 MiB)
        RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
        TX packets 8 bytes 672 (672.0 B)
        TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

netstat

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netstat -rn
Kernel IP routing table
Destination     Gateway         Genmask        Flags MSS Window irtt Iface
0.0.0.0          84.200.0.1      0.0.0.0        UG        0 0          0 84-ETHZ
84.200.0.0        0.0.0.0        255.255.254.0   U        0 0          0 84-ETHZ
158.84.0.0       0.0.0.0        255.255.0.0     U        0 0          0 ssh
```

staff #2 

```
ifconfig
root@staff_2:~# ifconfig
84-ETHZ: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 84.200.0.6 netmask 255.255.254.0 broadcast 84.200.1.255
        ether 0a:16:7f:1a:d3:7b txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
        RX packets 1425453 bytes 74308995 (70.8 MiB)
        RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
        TX packets 13 bytes 1050 (1.0 KiB)
        TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

netstat

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netstat -rn
Kernel IP routing table
Destination     Gateway         Genmask        Flags MSS Window irtt Iface
0.0.0.0          84.200.0.1      0.0.0.0        UG        0 0          0 84-ETHZ
84.200.0.0        0.0.0.0        255.255.254.0   U        0 0          0 84-ETHZ
158.84.0.0       0.0.0.0        255.255.0.0     U        0 0          0 ssh
```

student #3 

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ifconfig
root@student_3:~# ifconfig
84-EPFL: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 84.200.0.7 netmask 255.255.254.0 broadcast 84.200.1.255
        ether 5a:e2:c2:77:04:a4 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
        RX packets 1425619 bytes 74320830 (70.8 MiB)
        RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
        TX packets 81 bytes 5838 (5.7 KiB)
        TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
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netstat

```
netstat -rn
Kernel IP routing table
Destination     Gateway         Genmask        Flags MSS Window irtt Iface
0.0.0.0          84.200.0.2      0.0.0.0        UG        0 0          0 84-EPFL
84.200.0.0        0.0.0.0        255.255.254.0   U        0 0          0 84-EPFL
158.84.0.0       0.0.0.0        255.255.0.0     U        0 0          0 ssh
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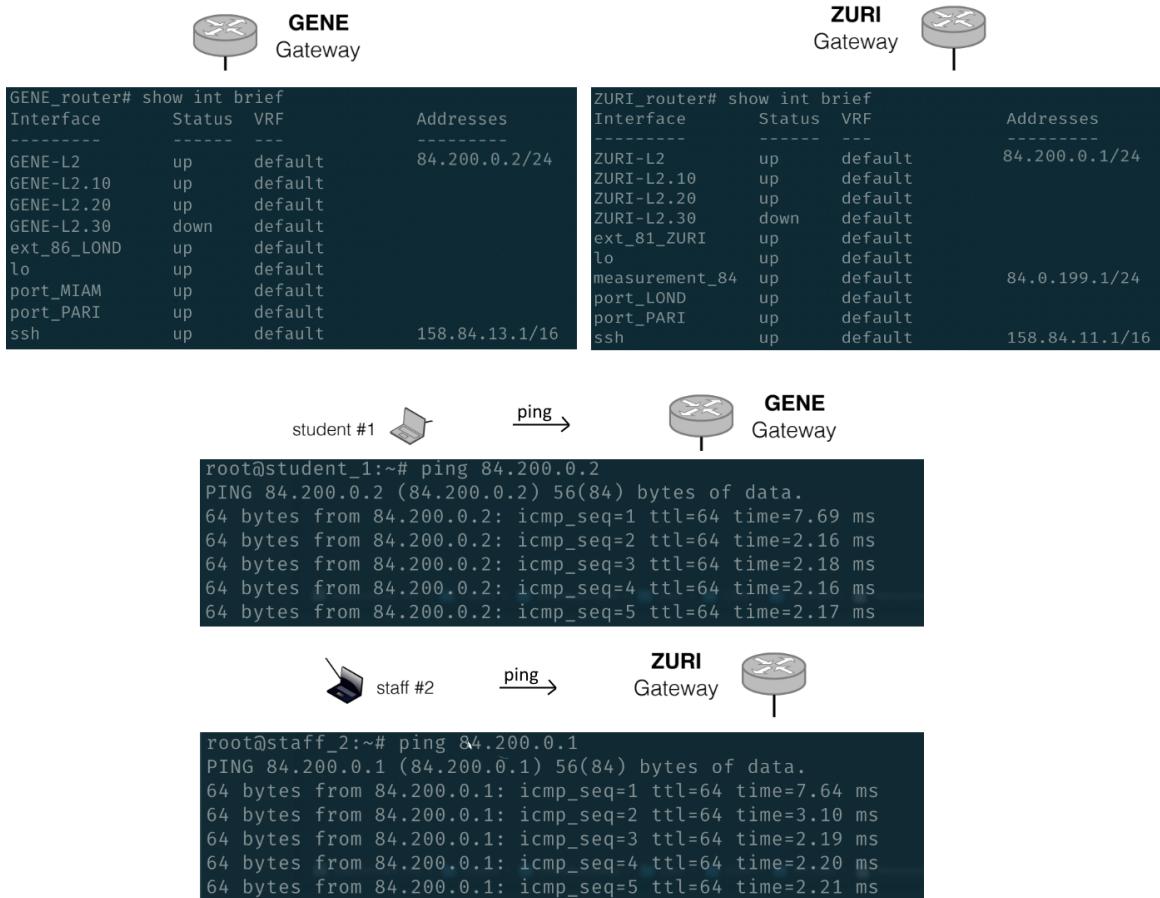
staff #3 

```
ifconfig
root@staff_3:~# ifconfig
84-EPFL: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
    inet 84.200.0.8 netmask 255.255.254.0 broadcast 84.200.1.255
        ether a2:f0:57:64:3f:a9 txqueuelen 1000 (Ethernet)
        RX packets 1425497 bytes 74310993 (70.8 MiB)
        RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
        TX packets 7 bytes 574 (574.0 B)
        TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
```

netstat

```
netstat -rn
Kernel IP routing table
Destination     Gateway         Genmask        Flags MSS Window irtt Iface
0.0.0.0          84.200.0.2      0.0.0.0        UG        0 0          0 84-EPFL
84.200.0.0        0.0.0.0        255.255.254.0   U        0 0          0 84-EPFL
158.84.0.0       0.0.0.0        255.255.0.0     U        0 0          0 ssh
```

Gene-L2 IP: 84.200.0.2/24      Zuri-L2 IP: 84.200.0.1/24



We used a mask of 24 bits for all the IP's that we set up. Next we distributed IP's to each host and router to make them be able to communicate. We also added in each host a default gateway. The hosts connected to CERN and EPFL use GENE as their default gateway and hosts at ETHZ use ZURI (This can be seen at the pictures above where we configure each host).

After setting up the hosts and the routers we can ping from any host to any other host using the Layer 2 connection. Each host can communicate outside of the Layer 2 configuration by sending packets to their default gateways which are GENE for Student\_1/3, Staff\_1/3 and ZURI for Student\_2, Staff\_2.

## Question 1.2

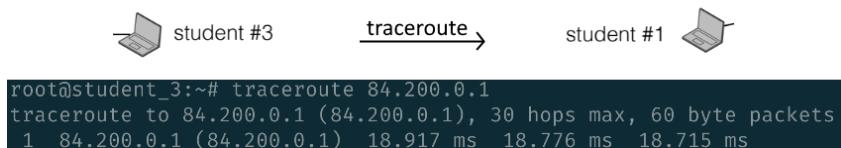
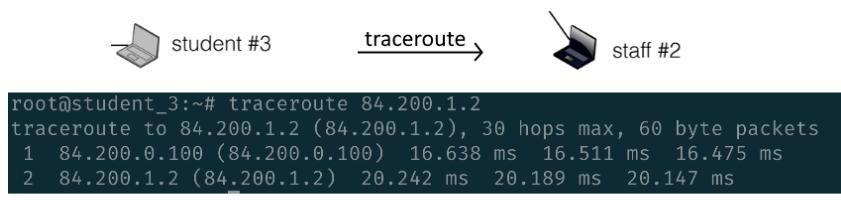
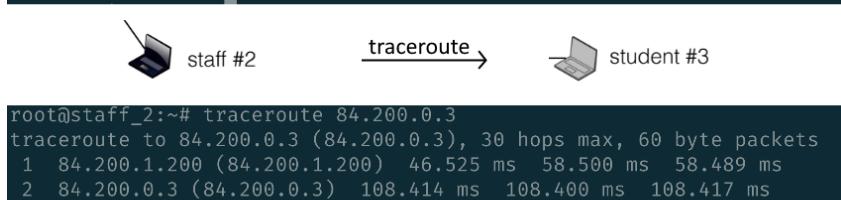
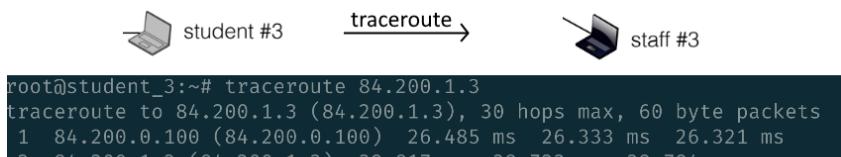
In this question some changes must be made in order to enable direct layer-2 connectivity between students and staff members, but not in between them. To do this we have to use two subnets one for the students and the other for the staff members. So the new IP's are going to be :

Subnet for Students: 84.200.0.0/24

Subnet for Staff: 84.200.1.0/24

Gene-L2.10 IP:	84.200.1.100/24	Gene-L2.20 IP:	84.200.0.100/24
Zuri-L2.10 IP:	84.200.1.200/24	Zuri-L2.20 IP:	84.200.0.200/24
Student_1 IP:	84.200.0.1/24	Staff_1 IP:	84.200.1.1/24
Student_2 IP:	84.200.0.2/24	Staff_2 IP:	84.200.1.2/24
Student_3 IP:	84.200.0.3/24	Staff_3 IP:	84.200.1.3/24

We now have two subnets so the students who are in the same subnet can communicate in the layer-2 but in order to communicate with another subnet they have to communicate through a router. We made those changes by setting up the VLANs on the switches to let the interfaces that have tag = 10/20 talk to each other but if an interface with tag = 10 is trying to communicate with an interface with tag = 20, the switches will make them communicate through the router.



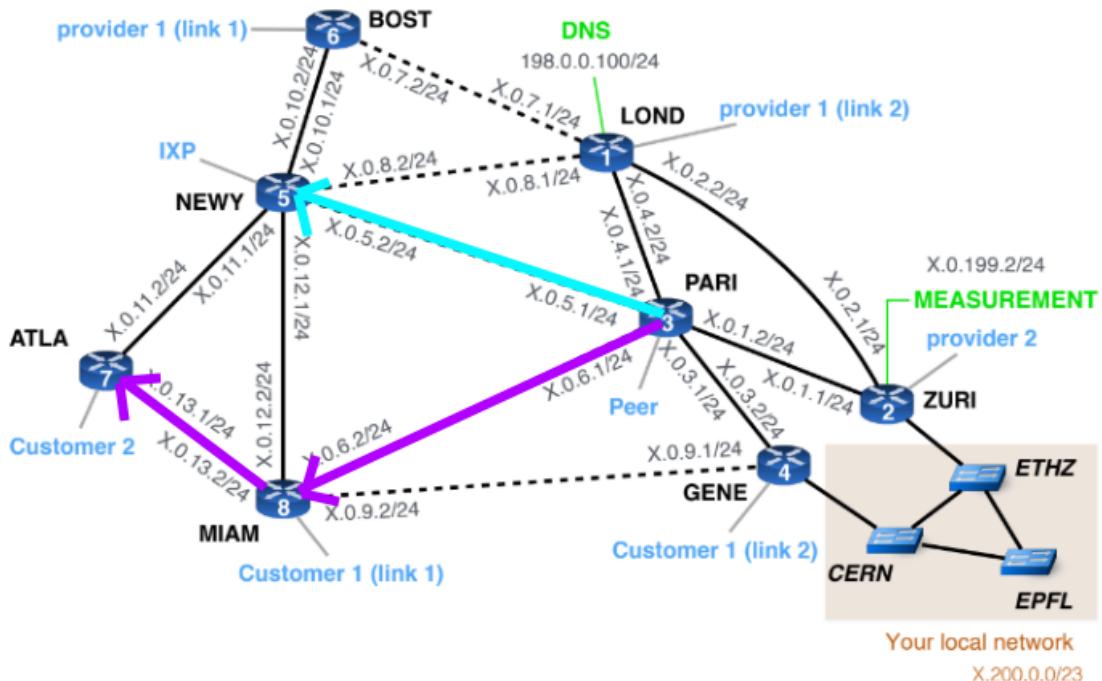
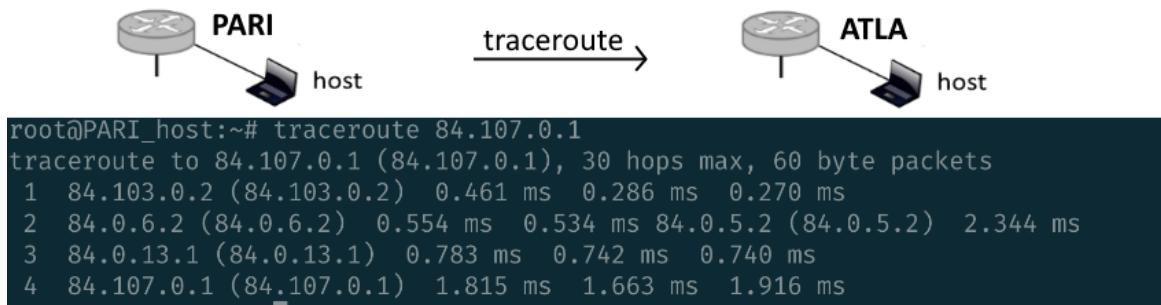
As we can see in those examples when a student is trying to send packets to a staff member he has to communicate through the router.

When a student is trying to communicate with another student he can do so via the layer-2 connectivity.

## Question 1.3

This question demands the configuration of the OSPF. But before we are able to set the OSPF we have to distribute IP addresses on each interface of our routers and hosts, with some exceptions. After configuring all of the interfaces, we begin setting up the OSPF. By doing that, the topology information is flooded throughout the AS, so that every router within has a complete picture of the topology. Now every host can communicate through the routers and send packets to other hosts.

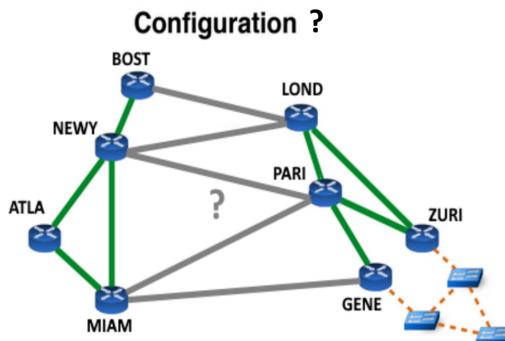
Here we can see an example of a trace route from the host of PARI to the host of ATLA:



As we can observe from the picture the connections of the interfaces were done correctly as well as the setting of OSPF since the host of PARI can communicate with the host of ATLA.

## Question 1.4

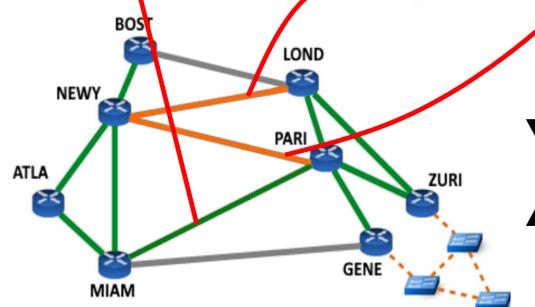
Now our goal is to provide the best performance. We must configure the weights of our OSPF to make sure the traffic never traverses two submarine links. Before we can do that, we have to find the bandwidth configuration of our AS. We choose a host to set up a server and another host to send pings to that server and see how much time the packets need to reach their destination. We can determine what configuration our AS has based on the bandwidth of the links.



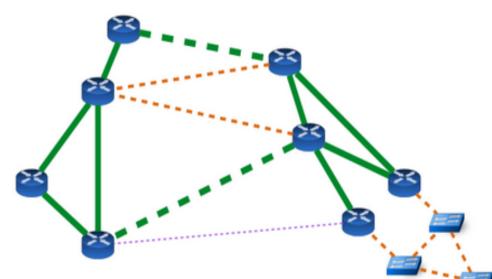
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root@LOND_host:~# iperf3 -c 84.105.0.1
Connecting to host 84.105.0.1, port 5201
[ 4] local 84.101.0.1 port 38384 connected to 84.105.0.1 port 5201
[ ID] Interval      Transfer     Bandwidth   Retr Cwnd
[ 4]  0.00-1.00  sec  2.81 MBytes  23.0 Mbits/sec 181  7.07 KBytes
[ 4]  1.02-2.01  sec  1.18 MBytes  10.0 Mbits/sec 307  4.24 KBytes
[ 4]  2.01-3.00  sec  1.18 MBytes  10.0 Mbits/sec 296  4.41 KBytes
[ 4]  3.00-4.00  sec  1.18 MBytes  9.91 Mbits/sec 326  8.48 KBytes
[ 4]  4.00-5.00  sec  1.12 MBytes  9.38 Mbits/sec 323  8.48 KBytes
[ 4]  5.00-6.00  sec  1.18 MBytes  9.90 Mbits/sec 323  9.90 KBytes
[ 4]  6.00-7.00  sec  1.18 MBytes  9.90 Mbits/sec 324  8.48 KBytes
[ 4]  7.00-8.00  sec  1.18 MBytes  9.90 Mbits/sec 334  9.90 KBytes
[ 4]  8.00-9.00  sec  1.12 MBytes  9.38 Mbits/sec 228  8.48 KBytes
[ 4]  9.00-10.00 sec  1.06 MBytes  8.86 Mbits/sec 231  9.90 KBytes
-----[ ID] Interval      Transfer     Bandwidth   Retr
[ 4]  0.00-10.00 sec  13.2 MBytes  11.1 Mbits/sec 2873
[ 4]  0.00-10.00 sec  12.5 MBytes  10.5 Mbits/sec
sender          receiver
```

```
root@PARI_host:~# iperf3 -c 84.108.0.1
Connecting to host 84.108.0.1, port 5201
[ 4] local 84.103.0.1 port 48078 connected to 84.108.0.1 port 5201
[ ID] Interval      Transfer     Bandwidth   Retr Cwnd
[ 4]  0.00-1.00  sec  9.48 MBytes  79.5 Mbits/sec 879  5.66 KBytes
[ 4]  1.00-2.00  sec  6.34 MBytes  53.2 Mbits/sec 449  12.7 KBytes
[ 4]  2.00-3.00  sec  7.48 MBytes  62.5 Mbits/sec 647  9.98 KBytes
[ 4]  3.00-4.00  sec  5.16 MBytes  43.3 Mbits/sec 340  8.48 KBytes
[ 4]  4.00-5.00  sec  6.32 MBytes  53.0 Mbits/sec 422  7.07 KBytes
[ 4]  5.00-6.00  sec  4.94 MBytes  41.5 Mbits/sec 194  5.66 KBytes
[ 4]  6.00-7.00  sec  8.26 MBytes  69.3 Mbits/sec 707  14.1 KBytes
[ 4]  7.00-8.00  sec  4.76 MBytes  39.9 Mbits/sec 359  7.07 KBytes
[ 4]  8.00-9.01  sec  6.13 MBytes  51.1 Mbits/sec 457  9.90 KBytes
[ 4]  9.01-10.00 sec  7.71 MBytes  65.1 Mbits/sec 537  21.2 KBytes
-----[ ID] Interval      Transfer     Bandwidth   Retr
[ 4]  0.00-10.00 sec  66.6 MBytes  55.8 Mbits/sec 4991
[ 4]  0.00-10.00 sec  65.9 MBytes  55.3 Mbits/sec
sender          receiver
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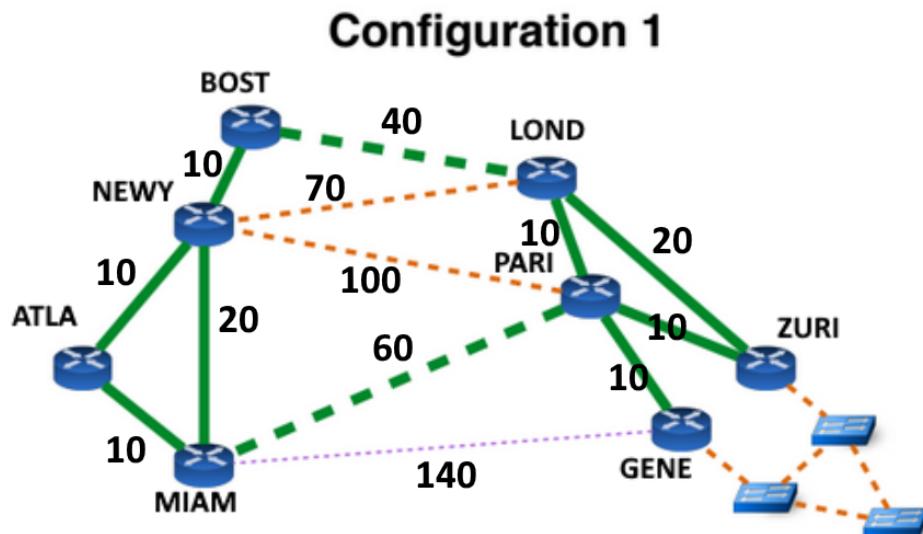
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root@PARI_host:~# iperf3 -c 84.105.0.1
Connecting to host 84.105.0.1, port 5201
[ 4] local 84.103.0.1 port 57506 connected to 84.105.0.1 port 5201
[ ID] Interval      Transfer     Bandwidth   Retr Cwnd
[ 4]  0.00-1.00  sec  2.65 MBytes  22.2 Mbits/sec 177  18.4 KBytes
[ 4]  1.00-2.00  sec  10.18 KBytes  8.34 Mbits/sec 113  2.83 KBytes
[ 4]  2.00-3.00  sec  1.38 MBytes  10.9 Mbits/sec 98  26.9 KBytes
[ 4]  3.00-4.00  sec  1.24 MBytes  10.4 Mbits/sec 145  4.24 KBytes
[ 4]  4.00-5.00  sec  95.94 KBytes  7.83 Mbits/sec 116  4.24 KBytes
[ 4]  5.00-6.00  sec  1.37 MBytes  11.5 Mbits/sec 159  2.83 KBytes
[ 4]  6.00-7.00  sec  1.18 MBytes  9.90 Mbits/sec 127  2.83 KBytes
[ 4]  7.00-8.00  sec  1.06 MBytes  8.86 Mbits/sec 139  2.83 KBytes
[ 4]  8.00-9.00  sec  1.24 MBytes  10.4 Mbits/sec 102  2.83 KBytes
[ 4]  9.00-10.00 sec  1.18 MBytes  9.91 Mbits/sec 136  8.48 KBytes
-----[ ID] Interval      Transfer     Bandwidth   Retr
[ 4]  0.00-10.00 sec  13.2 MBytes  11.0 Mbits/sec 1304
[ 4]  0.00-10.00 sec  12.6 MBytes  10.6 Mbits/sec
sender          receiver
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**Configuration 1**

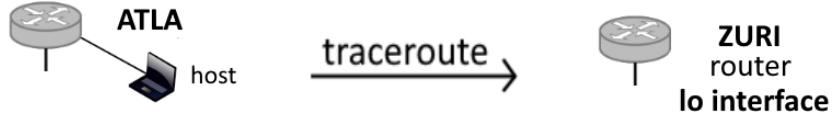


Now that we have determined the configuration of our AS, we can start assigning weight to the OSPF's links, in order to prevent extremely inefficient pathing. We must also keep in mind that all traffic from MIAM to NEWY, ZURI to LOND, and ATLA to ZURI is load balanced. Load balanced traffic is achieved by having multiple optimal paths that weigh the same.

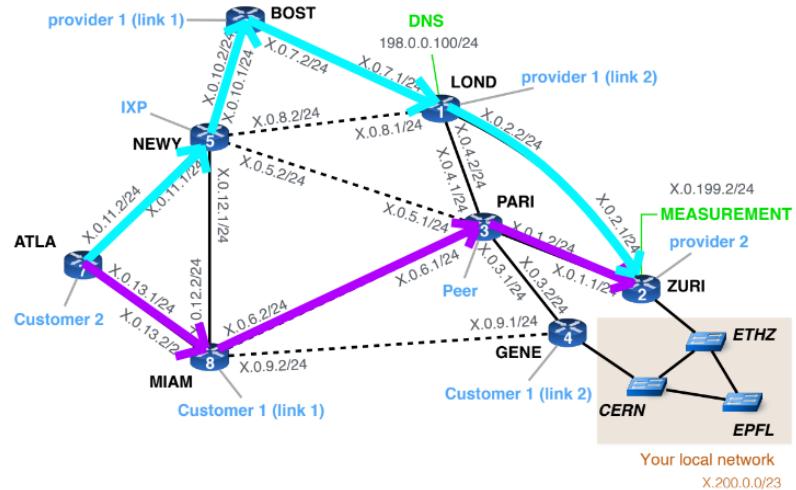


First of all, we set the cost of every green (non submarine) link equal to 10. Then we adjusted the costs of the links that needed to be load balanced accordingly (  $MIAM-NEWY = 20 \Leftrightarrow MIAM-ATLA + ATLA-NEWY = 20$ , same procedure has been followed for the ZURI-PARI-LOND triangle). Since the ATLA and ZURI path has to be load balanced, having two high bandwidth submarine links unaccounted for their weight, all we had to do was to make sure that both paths using these links costed the same.

The rest of the submarine links have been assigned costs that will ensure they are slower than higher bandwidth options.



```
root@ATLA_host:~# traceroute 84.152.0.1
traceroute to 84.152.0.1 (84.152.0.1), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
1  84.107.0.2 (84.107.0.2)  0.329 ms  0.215 ms  0.300 ms
2  84.0.11.1 (84.0.11.1)  0.563 ms  0.395 ms  84.0.13.2 (84.0.13.2)  0.439 ms
3  84.0.10.2 (84.0.10.2)  0.464 ms  0.550 ms  84.0.6.1 (84.0.6.1)  0.530 ms
4  84.152.0.1 (84.152.0.1)  12.018 ms  12.012 ms  84.0.7.1 (84.0.7.1)  20.615 ms
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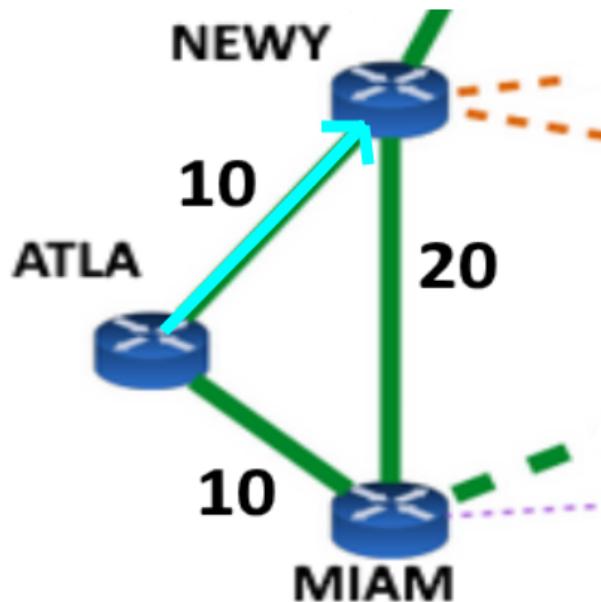
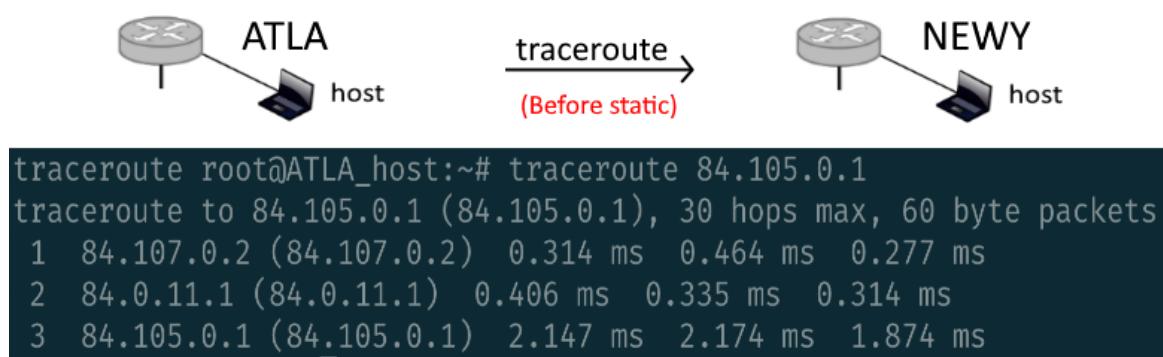


As the screenshot indicates, two paths have been chosen, as predicted. Their OSPF link cost sums are equal. Both paths use the designated high bandwidth submarine links, due to their efficiency.

## Question 1.5

We assigned the lowest value a link can have based on our configuration for ATLA-NEWY because it is a direct link, so being the fastest path makes perfect sense.

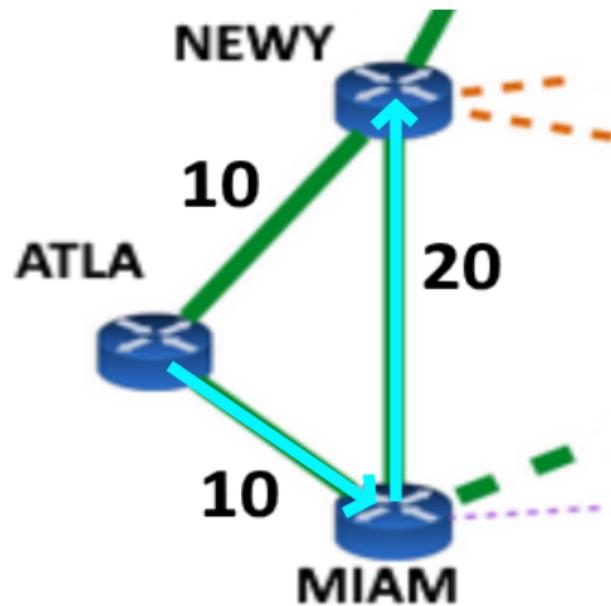
Traceroute results from ATLA host to NEWY host can be seen below:



Now that the direct link is prohibited, static routes must be used. In order to achieve connectivity from ATLA-NEWY, bidirectional static routes have to be established through MIAM (as seen below).



```
root@ATLA_host:~# traceroute 84.105.0.1
traceroute to 84.105.0.1 (84.105.0.1), 30 hops max, 60 byte packets
 1  84.107.0.2 (84.107.0.2)  0.491 ms  0.386 ms  0.386 ms
 2  84.0.13.2 (84.0.13.2)  0.749 ms  0.726 ms  0.720 ms
 3  84.0.12.1 (84.0.12.1)  0.866 ms  0.842 ms  1.122 ms
 4  84.105.0.1 (84.105.0.1)  1.218 ms  1.270 ms  1.560 ms
```



## Final thoughts

More material and detailed explanations could be added, but the ten page limit proved to be restricting. Through the process of completing this project we encountered difficulties that eventually helped us understand computer networking more deeply. Thank you for your time.