Introduction to Asia Tier Center Forum

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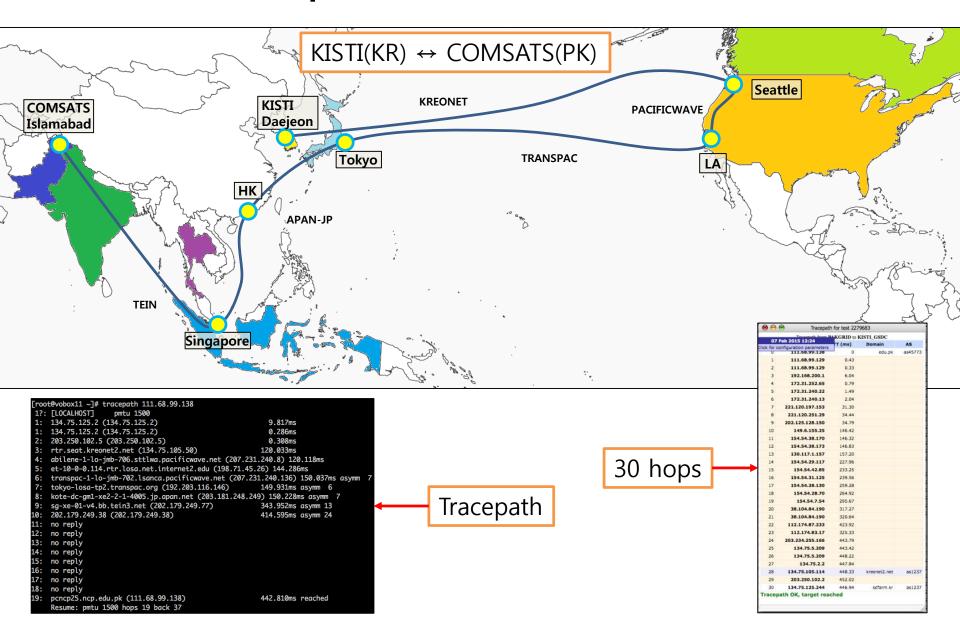
Motivation

- Improving network environment among Asian Tier Centers
- At first, for only ALICE sites: KISTI T1 <-> ALICE T2 in Asia
- Note that T2s in Asia quite well connected via TEIN and APAN-JP
- KISTI T1 induced a kind of singularity to the stable field
- KISTI has its own backbone called KREONET, partner of GLORIAD

Motivation

- Natural to think of taking the shortest route from T2 to T1 or vice versa
- No direct route to TEIN; possible through US & JP
 - Pacificwave (US) -> Transpac (US-JP) -> APAN-JP -> TEIN
- Geographically close but technically far
- Current situation: occasionally CERN or European site or US sites are effectively closer than KISTI T1 for ALICE T2 in Asia
- Inefficient routing paths
 - Best effort among possible paths instantaneously
 - Long distance -> more hops

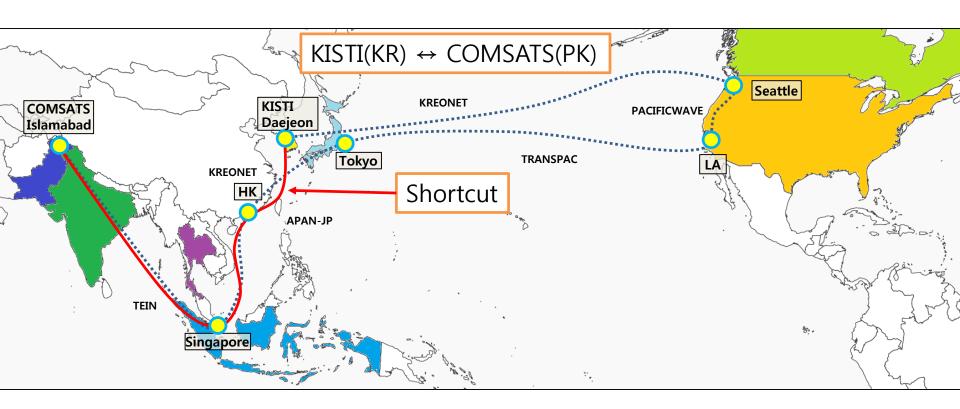
Example: Current Status



Simple thought

- Applying the most efficient paths to routers at T1 and T2s: the shortest paths (=less hops)
- Less hops -> low latencies -> larger TCP windows -> better performance with given bandwidth

Shortest Path



Think before act

- Is it really beneficial when we have the efficient(?) network environment?
- Even the situation can go worse: shortest path but what if the bandwidth is narrower?
- Requires exact diagnosis to each site
- Experts can help!

Disclaimer

- Not imposing ALICE T2 in Asia to improve their network environment fitted into KISTI T1
- Responsibility of T1 as a regional center to seek out solutions providing better connected environment to T2s
- This forum could be just a start of the long journey to network consolidation in Asia

Asia Tier Center Forum

- Unique place to discuss issues concerning network environment in Asia
- Plus, to have consultation from experts from CERN and ESnet concerning LHCONE
 - Note that there is a righteous workshop on LHCOPN/LHCONE taken place three times a year
- In addition, open to any topics common to Asia Tier Centers

Agenda

- 10 Site reports with domestic/campus network status
 - T1: ASGC (TW), KISTI (KR)
 - T2: Tsukuba (new T2 for ALICE, JP), Wuhan (CN), Bandung (ID), TIFR (CMS T2, IN), Kolkata (IN), COMSATS (PK), SUT (TH), Hiroshima (JP)
- 3 LHCONE related talks
 - LHCONE Status (by Edoardo Martelli, CERN)
 - US implementation (by William Johnston, ESnet)
 - Guidelines for site configuration (by Michael O'Connor, ESnet)
- Joint session of TEIN & KREONET
 - Asia implementation (by Edoardo Martelli, CERN)
 - TEIN (by Patch Lee, TEIN*CC) and KREONET (by Buseung Cho, KISTI) preparation for LHCONE
 - Current activity on TEIN-GLORIAD connection























Next Actions

- Minutes and actions required (if any) will be documented and circulated
- Monitoring on site configuration and network environment through the forum
- Organizing the committee for ATCF to determine the agenda for the next forum
- All these are required to have an agreement among the participants
- Discussion has to be continued after the forum

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