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## Slice-Aware Service Restoration with Recovery Trucks for Optical Metro-Access Networks

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## Introduction

User demands and services are evolving ...

A new generation of optical metro networks is needed to turn the vision of "Smart Cities" into reality

- From a rigid ring-based aggregation infrastructure to a composite network-and-computing ecosystem to support next-generation 5G services
- Several technical enablers:
  - Increased reconfigurability enabled by SDN
  - Integration of optical and wireless access networks
  - Metro nodes becoming edge data centers (edge computing)
  - Network slicing to logically partition network, computing, and storage resources





## **Metro-Access Networks**

User demands and services are evolving...

so is the network

• 75% of total metro traffic is terminated within the metro network, as video, data and web content is increasingly generated at the metro networks





## **Evolution of Metro-Access Networks**







This transformation calls for trustworthy, high-availability, and sliceable next-generation metro-area networks that are resilient against disasters





## **Recovery for Metro-Access Networks**

- Post-disaster recovery in metro access is different from that in core networks
  - Too expensive for disaster resiliency
  - Much less redundant than core
- After disaster, utmost priority: minimize service downtime (recover network asap)
  - Slice re-provisioning may not be possible with available resources and considering locality of services
  - Control plane managing the slices can also be affected by disasters

Utilize equipment for "temporary relief/service" only in case of disaster instead of preplanning lot of redundant capacity



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## **Slice-Aware Service Restoration**

- Model the problem based on classical *vehicle routing problem*
- Recovery trucks provide both repair and *temporary relief/service* while repair work is going on (unlike general network recovery)
- Develop a "slice-aware" routing and deployment strategy for heterogeneous recovery trucks to heterogeneous failure sites

Minimize downtime *penalty* - fast restoration of important slices















- Given: network topology, set of network slices, set of failed nodes, set of heterogeneous trucks
- Output
  - Routes for recovery trucks
- Objective: Minimize service disruption penalty of slices
- Solution Approach
  - Mathematical model (MILP)



Post-disaster recovery

#### **Compared schemes**

- Deployment schemes to be compared
  - Slice-aware service restoration with temporary service (minimize penalty)
  - Slice-unaware service restoration with temporary service (minimize travel time)
  - Slice-aware service restoration without temporary service (repair only)





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## **Results**

		Slice-aware	Slice-unaware	Slice-aware
				w/o temp. relief
29% savings in penalty	Cumulative penalty	29.04	41.09	47.88

38% savings in penalty





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## Results



60% reduction in service disruption penalty



46% service-restoration time savings





## Conclusion

• Our slice-aware service-restoration approach can achieve significant reduction in service-disruption penalty and savings in service-restoration time in a post-disaster optical metro-access networks



