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Advances in Fiber Access Networks Development: Efficient Resource Allocation and Cost-effective Protection



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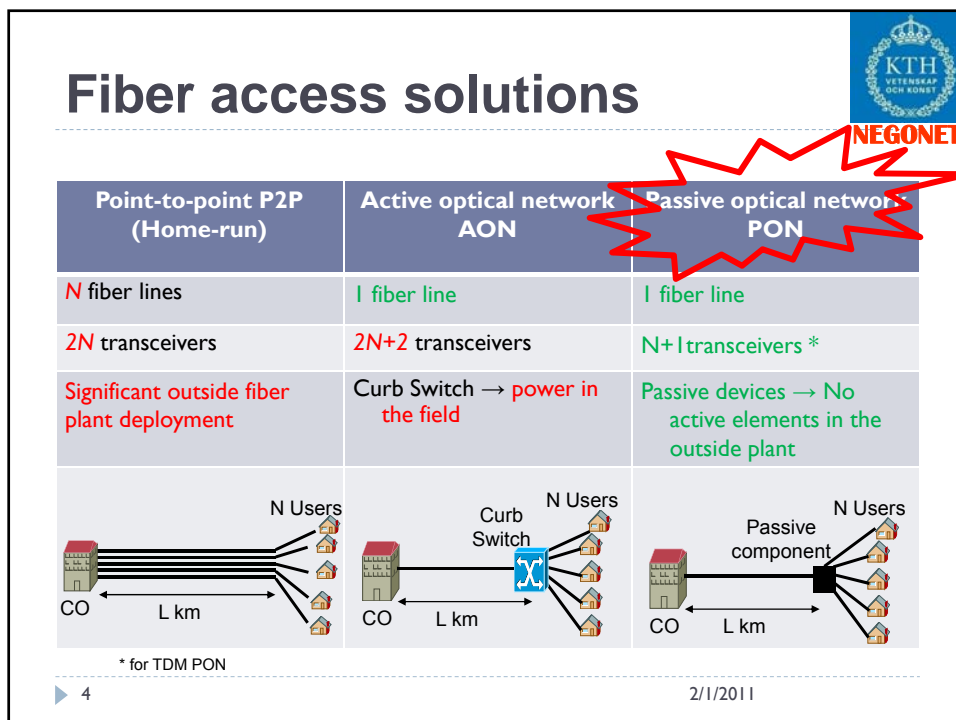
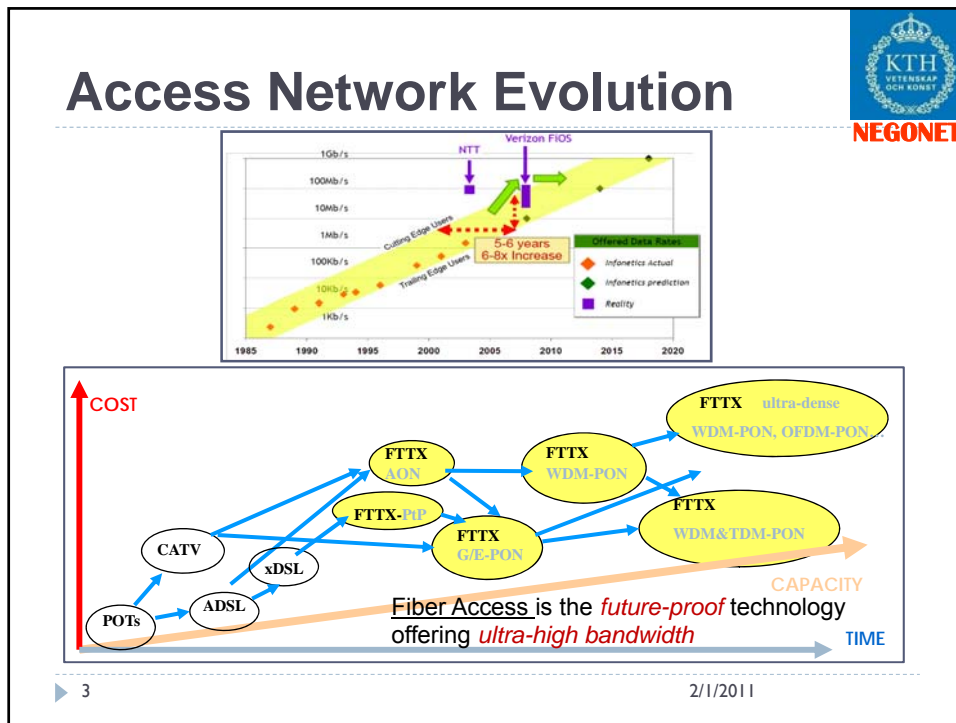
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Outline

- Overview of fiber access technologies
- Passive optical network (PON)
- Efficient resource allocation
- Cost-effective protection
- Conclusions



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Passive optical network

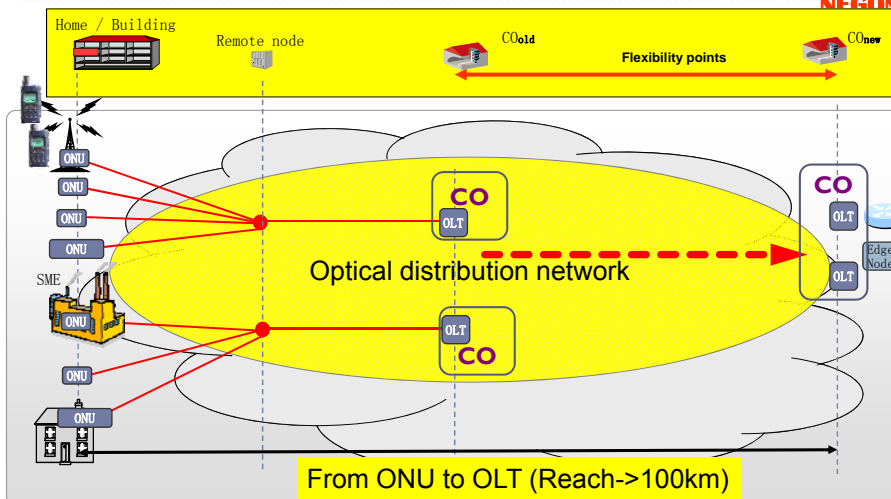


- ▶ Downstream → *point-to-multipoint* network
 - ▶ The Optical Line Terminal (OLT) manages the bandwidth
- ▶ Upstream → *multipoint-to-point* network
 - ▶ Optical Network Units (ONUs) transmit only towards the OLT
 - ▶ ONUs cannot detect other ONUs transmissions
 - ▶ Collisions may occur → **Need of a channel separation mechanism for resource sharing**
- ▶ Different techniques for Multiple access
 - ▶ Time division multiplexing → TDM PON (e.g. GPON, EPON)
 - ▶ Wavelength division multiplexing → WDM PON
 - ▶ Hybrid WDM/TDM PON
 - ▶ Code division multiplexing → CDM PON
 - ▶ Orthogonal frequency-division multiplexing → OFDM PON

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Reach Extension



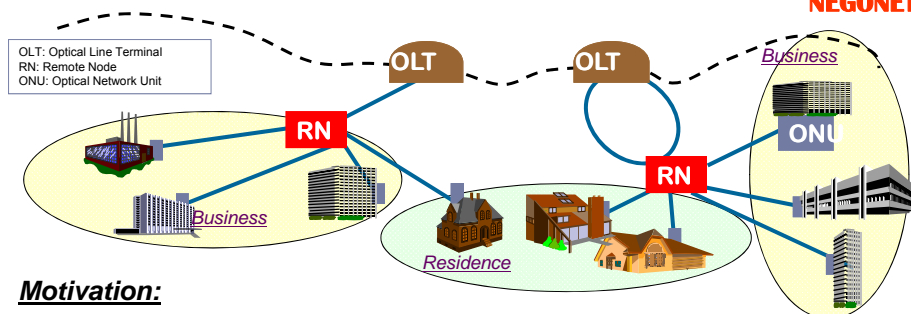
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Efficient Resource Allocation

Dynamic Bandwidth Allocation DBA



Motivation:

- ▶ Traffic characteristic for access network is usually not uniform.
 - ▶ The load of diverse channels is **varied** not only **in distinct time periods** but also **at different locations**.
- ▶ Multiple quality of service (QoS) provisioning is required.
 - ▶ **Priority** for different types of traffic classes
 - ▶ **Fairness** between different end users and/or service providers



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DBA Algorithms

- 1) **On-line scheme:** the DBA is executed per ONU upon reception of one report message at the OLT
 - ▶ E.g. Interleaved polling with adaptive cycle time (IPACT) with limited service
- 2) **Off-line scheme:** the DBA is executed after reception of all required report messages
 - ▶ E.g. Weight-based algorithm for fairness in [1]


$$B_i^{\text{assigned}} = \begin{cases} B_i^{\text{request}}, & \text{ONU}_i \in \text{underload} \\ B_i^{\text{min}} + \omega_i \cdot B^{\text{remain}}, & \text{ONU}_i \in \text{overload} \end{cases}$$

$$\omega_i = B_i^{\text{min}} / \sum_{\text{ONU}_k \in \text{overload}} B_k^{\text{min}}$$

$$B^{\text{remain}} = \sum_{\text{ONU}_k \in \text{underload}} (B_k^{\text{min}} - B_k^{\text{request}})$$

[1] C. Assi et al., Dynamic bandwidth allocation for quality of service over Ethernet PON, IEEE J. Select. Areas Commun. Vol. 21, pp.1467-1477, Nov. 2003.

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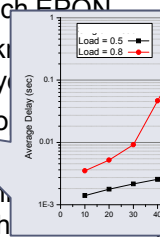
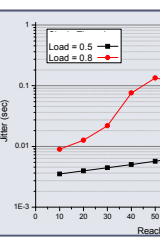


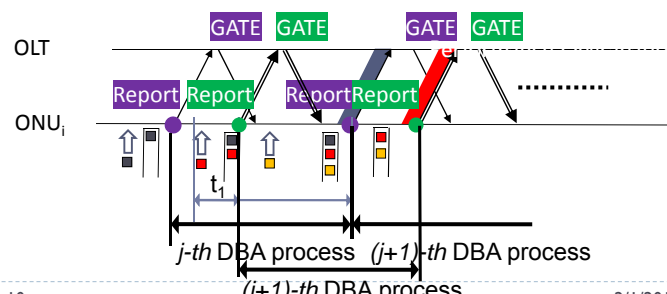
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Multi-thread DBA

EPON vs. Long-reach EPON

- ▶ 20km to 100km
- ▶ 1ms (and beyond)
- ▶ Increased performance
- ▶ To address the challenge for long-reach



j -th DBA process $(j+1)$ -th DBA process
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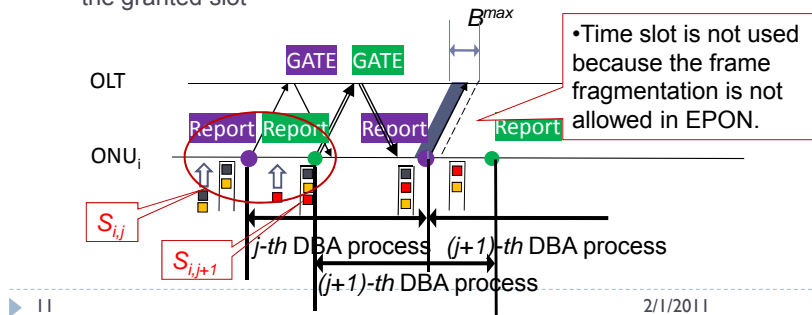
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IPACT with limited service

• Steps of one DBA process

1. ONU_i Sending a REPORT with information regarding the amount of required bandwidth $R_{i,j}$, which is typically set as the buffer occupancy $S_{i,j}$
2. OLT calculating bandwidth grant $B_{i,j} = \min(B^{max}, S_{i,j})$
 - ▶ B^{max} : predefined maximum limit, which is imposed in order to avoid bandwidth hogging by greedy ONUs.
3. OLT sending a GATE with information on the start time and length ($B_{i,j}$) of the granted slot



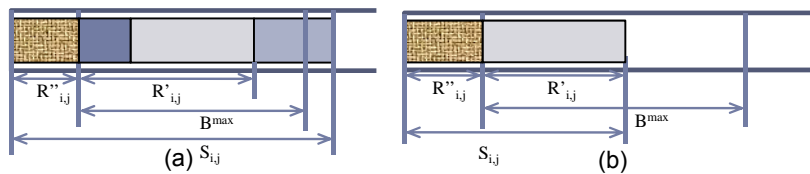
Enhanced IPACT with limited service



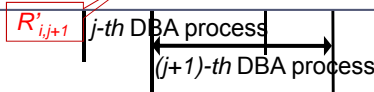
• Steps of one DBA process

1. ONU_i Sending a REPORT with information regarding the amount of required bandwidth $R_{i,j}$, which is set as the adjusted bandwidth demand reported by $R'_{i,j}$
 - ▶ the adjusted bandwidth demand reported by $R'_{i,j}$ DBA process

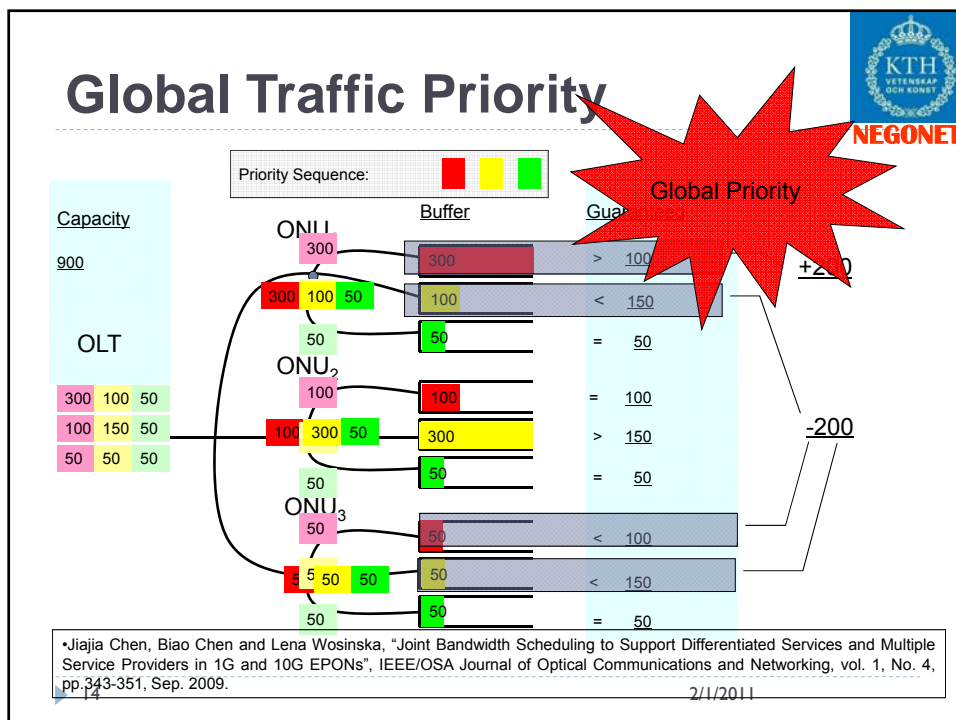
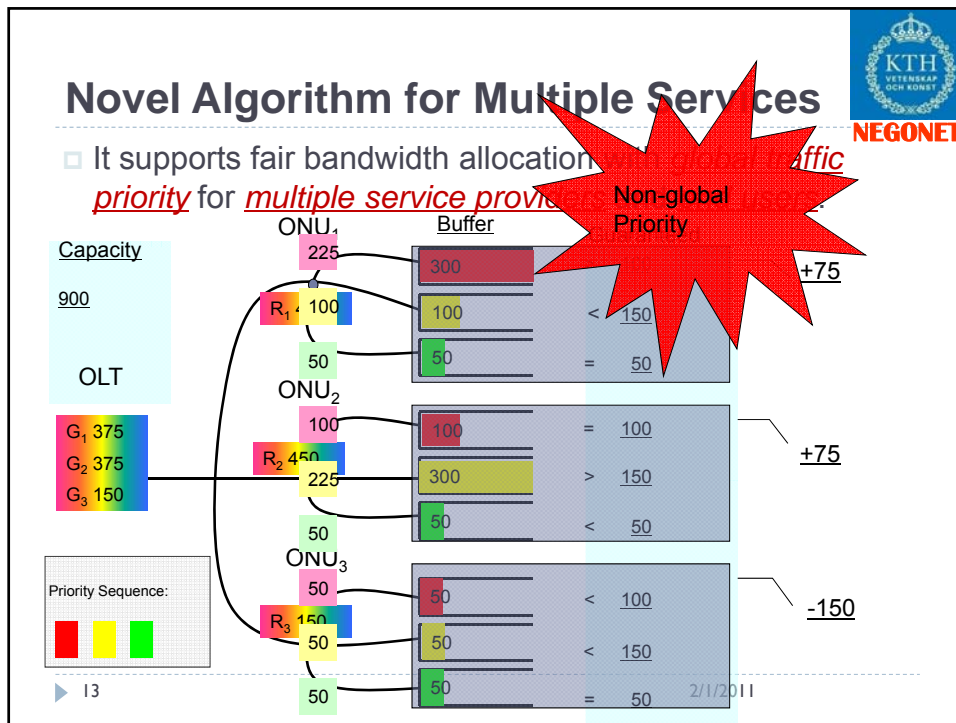
Buffer at ONU_i at the time of reporting for the j -th DBA process



$R''_{i,j}$: the bandwidth required by the traffic that has previously been reported to the OLT but not yet left the ONU_i queue



J. Chen, et al., Enhancing IPACT with Limited Service for Multi-thread DBA in Long-reach EPON, IEEE/OSA/SPIE ACP2010



•Jiajia Chen, Biao Chen and Lena Wosinska, "Joint Bandwidth Scheduling to Support Differentiated Services and Multiple Service Providers in 1G and 10G EPONs", IEEE/OSA Journal of Optical Communications and Networking, vol. 1, No. 4, pp.343-351, Sep. 2009.



Cost-effective Protection

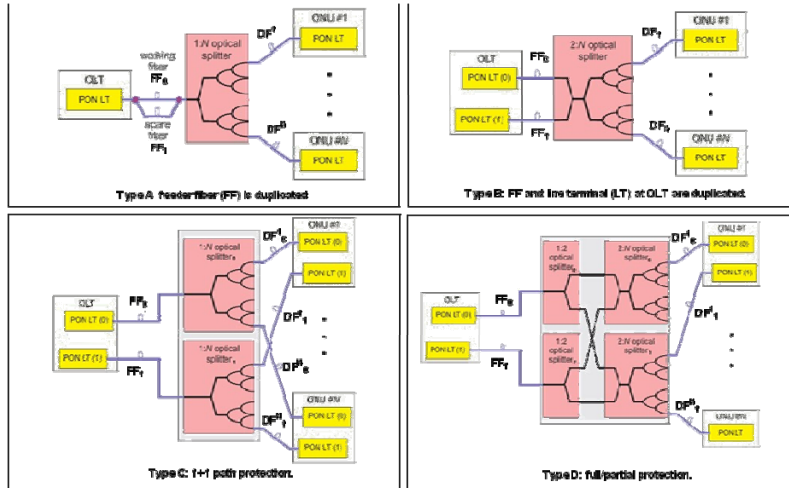
Motivation



- ▶ Importance of reliable access to broadband network services is growing.
- ▶ PON without any protection has poor reliability performance.
- ▶ Network providers need to keep capital and operational expenditures (CAPEX & OPEX) low to offer economical solutions for the customs.

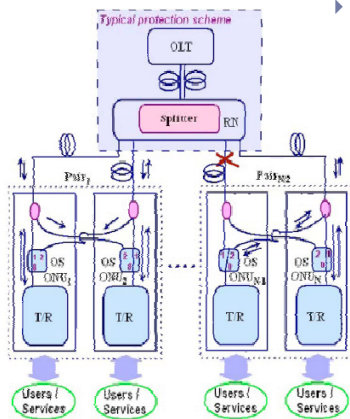
Thus, **minimizing the cost of network protection while maintaining an acceptable level of connection availability** is an important challenge.

Standard schemes (ITU-T G.983.5)



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Neighboring Protection (NP) for TDM PON



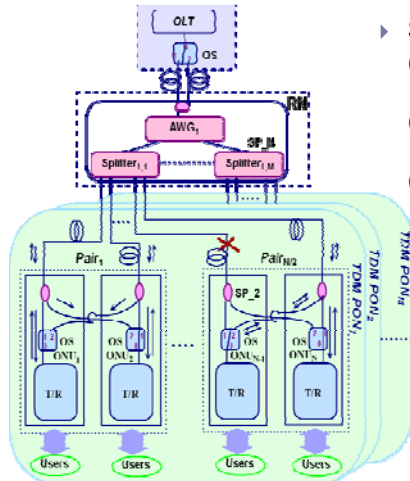
- ▶ Scheme for TDM PON
 - (i) no extra DFs are needed for protection → CAPEX saving
 - (ii) proposed scheme is for both physical and media access control layers
 - (iii) restoration time depends mainly on the switch time of the physical layer

• Jiajia Chen, Biao Chen, and Sailing He, "Self-protection Scheme against Failures of Distributed Fiber Links in An Ethernet Passive Optical Network", OSA Journal of Optical Networking, vol. 5, pp. 662-666, Sep. 2006.

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NP for hybrid PON



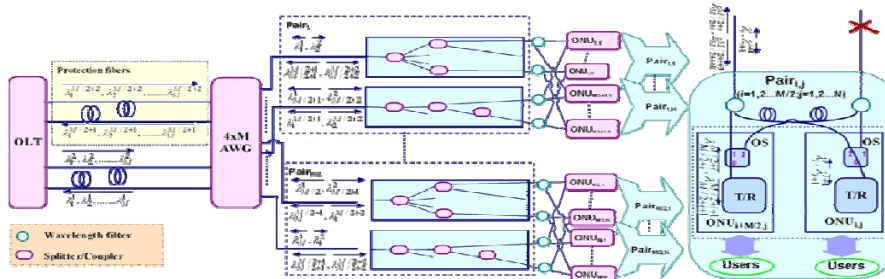
- ▶ Scheme for Hybrid WDM/TDM PON
 - (i) no extra DFs are needed for protection
→ CAPEX saving
 - (ii) protection for both FF and DF failures is provided.
 - (iii) compatible with smooth migration from a TDM PON to a hybrid PON

• Jiajia Chen, and Lena Wosinska, "Protection Schemes in PON Compatible with Smooth Migration from TDM-PON to Hybrid WDM/TDM PON", OSA Journal of Optical Networking, vol. 6, pp. 514-526, May 2007.

NP for WDM and hybrid PON

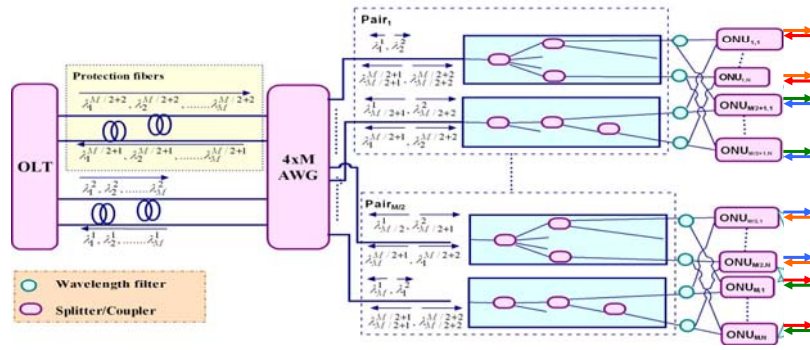


- ▶ Utilizing the cyclic property of the AWG our protection scheme has two main advantages (compared to the existing schemes):
 - (i) 50% fewer wavelengths are needed;
 - (ii) in the case of DF break there is no influence on the remaining ONUs;



• Jiajia Chen, Lena Wosinska, and Sailing He, "High Utilization of Wavelengths and Simple Interconnection between Users in A Protection Scheme for Passive Optical Networks", IEEE Photonics Technology Letters, vol. 20, pp. 389-391, Mar. 2008.

Normal Operation



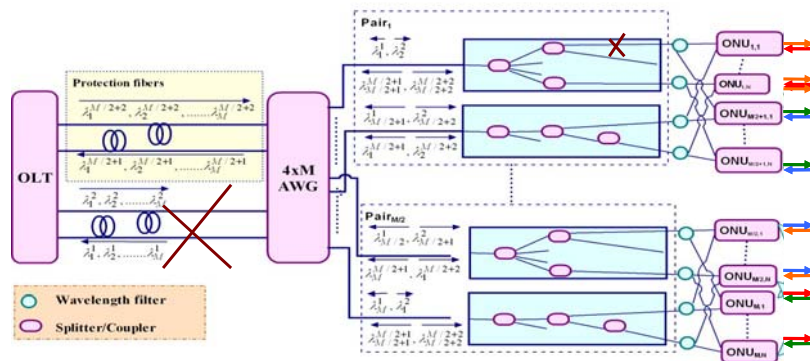
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Protection

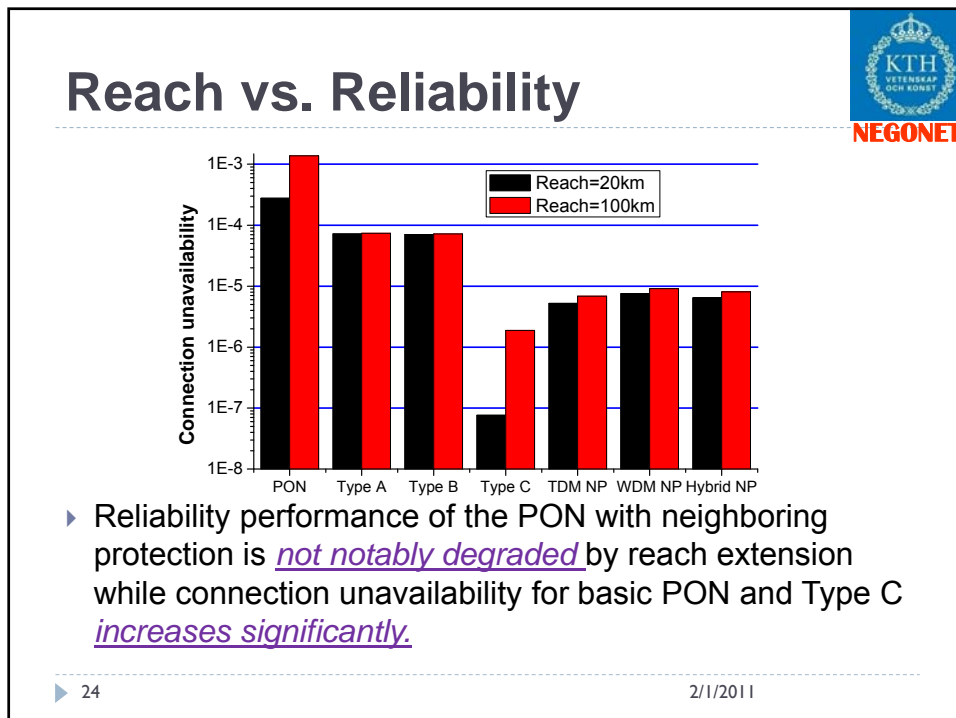
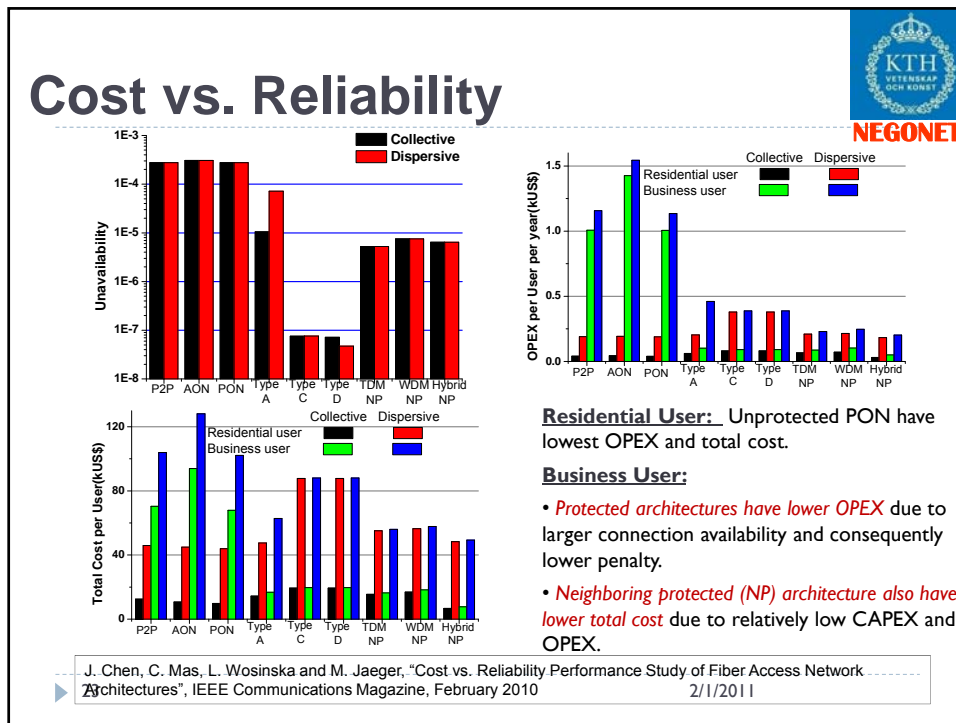


- ▶ In the case of distributed fiber-cut between AWG and ONU_{1,1}
- ▶ In the case of feeder fiber-cut between OLT and AWG



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Conclusions



- ▶ The advances in two important research aspects related to PONs have been reviewed.
- ▶ Challenges:
 - ▶ Efficient resource allocation
 - ▶ Increased dimensions for resource allocation
 - Time slot and wavelength
 - ▶ Reach extension
 - ▶ Energy efficiency
 - ▶ Cost-effective protection.
 - ▶ Total cost minimization include capital and operational cost
 - ▶ Smooth migration

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