

# ROUTING SPACE SIZE ESTIMATION FOR RECONFIGURABLE OPTICAL NETWORKS

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## ABSTRACT

We propose a heuristic method. The aim is to find a reasonable estimation of  $K_{MAX}$ . This parameter represents the number of lightpath per node pairs to be used in the routing algorithm.

## MOTIVATIONS

In the routing and wavelength allocation (RWA) process, usually, a  $k$  shortest path algorithm is used. The choice of the maximum value of  $k$  ( $K_{MAX}$ ) is crucial for the RWA algorithm performances. A too small value enhances the frequency of blocking events. A too large value slow down the RWA process.

## METHODOLOGY

### INPUT:

- Network topology
- The connectivity matrix  $CM$
- The percentile of allocated LP:  $\alpha$

### ALGORITHM:

1. Compute the routing space using the  $k$  shortest path algorithm:  $LP_{s,d}^k$
2. Sort the  $LP_{s,d}^k$  based on a priority principle
3. Allocate the  $CM$  following the order
4. Evaluate the CDF:  $F_K(k)$  of allocated  $LP_{s,d}^k$
5. Compute:  $\hat{K}_{MAX} = F_K^{-1}(\alpha)$

### PRIORITY TO:

- I. Higher Number of hops:  $m_I = \sum_{l \in LP} 1$
- II. LP with link with higher occurrence
- III. Higher total occurrence:  $m_{III} = \sum_{l \in LP} O(l)$

### TEST:

The SNAP<sup>[1],[2]</sup> is run with several  $K_{MAX}$  and the blocking ratio  $B_R$  is computed.

$$B_R = \frac{\text{number of blocking events}}{\text{number of requests}}$$

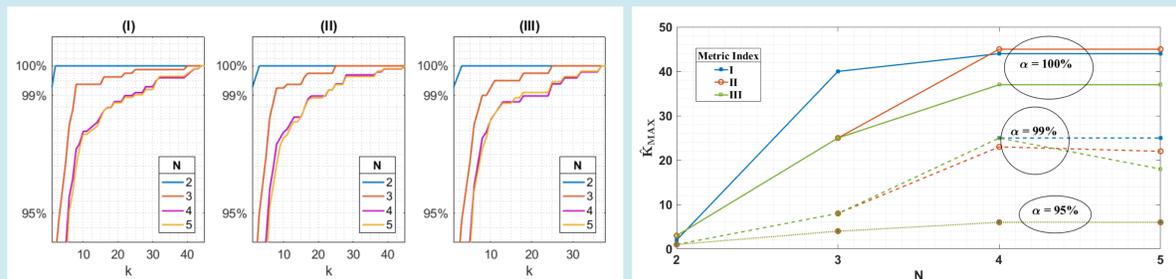
With the growth of  $K_{MAX}$ , the  $B_R$  saturates. Thus, if  $\hat{K}_{MAX}$  is in the saturation region, the results don't enhance the frequency of the blocking events and results are good.

## RESULTS

- We used the 17-nodes and 26-link German backbone network
- $CM = N(1 - I_{17})$ ,  $N=2, 3, 4, 5$
- $\alpha = 95\%, 99\%$  and  $100\%$

### K-MAX ESTIMATION

The CDFs and  $\hat{K}_{MAX}$  are computed.



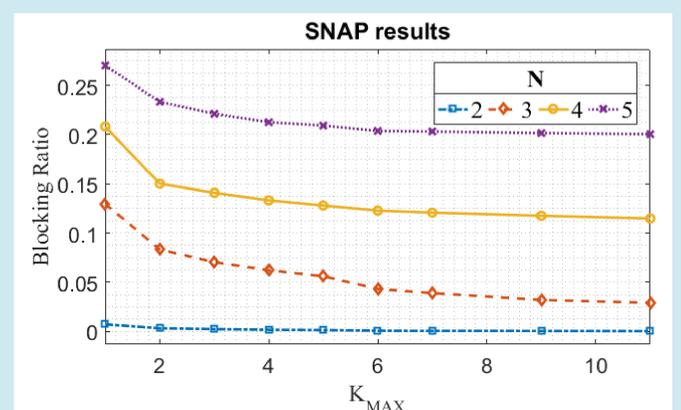
$\hat{K}_{MAX}$  results to be: **1** (95%), **2**(99%), **3**(100%) for **N=2**  
**4** (95%), **8**(99%), **25-40**(100%) for **N=3**  
**6** (95%), **18-25**(99%), **37-45**(100%) for **N=4,5**

### TEST OF RESULTS

The SNAP is used to validate the results. It is run with the  $CM$  matrices and several values of  $K_{MAX}$ .

It can be observed that for:

- **N=2,3**: 99% and 100% are more confident
- **N=4,5**: all the percentiles provides reliable results



## CONCLUSION

- A finer analysis based on randomly generated networks to refine  $\alpha$  and find the better priority principle
- Using the algorithm to study the variation of  $K_{MAX}$  in function of the network parameters

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