

AtlanticWave-SDX Presentation and Demonstration

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Introduction

- Open Exchange Points (OXPs) are core components of international research network connections
 - There are at least 11 OXPs connecting long-haul circuits across the Atlantic
- Like data centers, OXPs host computation and storage resources
- OXPs provide proximity to upstream transit and peering providers, and to content and cloud providers
- OXPs are uniquely positioned to steer network traffic depending on network conditions

Motivation for a Software-Defined Exchange Point

Provisioning multi-domain end-to-end network paths is challenging

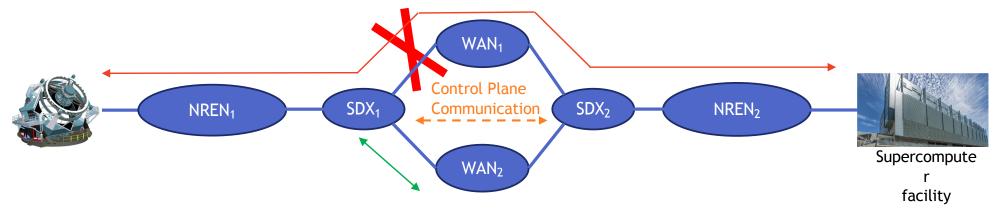
 Coordinating multiple network and OXP operators in the path could take days, weeks, or months

Failures in the network path can be costly to users and operators

- Time to repair could be days (terrestrial) to weeks (submarine)
- High coordination cost, involving multiple engineers when
 - Troubleshooting across multiple network domains
 - Time reconfiguring the network to use an alternate path



Software-Defined Exchanges (SDX) use case: Failure Handling



- Evolve OXPs with SDXs by adding a Control Plane communication channel in the interdomain path
- Upon failure with connection to WAN₁, SDX₁ notifies SDX₂ via Control Plane Communication channel
- SDX₁ requests use of the secondary path
 - CPCC computes a new path, then propagates rules to SDX₁ and SDX₂
 - Traffic is then dynamically rerouted across WAN₂
- End points can save time and money
 - No longer involved in alternate path selection
 - No longer require expensive routers with protocols for link continuity
 - Can save network resources (e.g. VLANs)

AtlanticWave-SDX Project and its Goals

- AtlanticWave-SDX: A Distributed Intercontinental Experimental SDX, NSF Award# OAC-1451024. PI: Julio Ibarra. Goals are:
- To build a distributed SDX between the U.S. and S. America
 - To support planned increases in south-north science flows
 - To integrate the SDN infrastructures at AMPATH, SoX, SouthernLight, and AndesLight open exchange points
- To enable domain scientists to reserve network resources through a multi-domain SDX by
 - Simplifying the interface for domain scientists to request network resources
 - Providing interfaces to program the forwarding plane to respond to application requirements

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AtlanticWave-SDX leverages the AmLight network

- AmLight provides the underlay network for AtlanticWave-SDX
- AmLight Express network (green), 600Gbps in service:
 - 200G from Boca Raton to Sao Paulo
 - 200G from Boca Raton to Fortaleza
 - 200G from Sao Paulo to Fortaleza
- 100G AmLight Protect ring (solid orange): Miami-Fortaleza, Fortaleza-Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo-Santiago, Santiago-Panama, Panama-San Juan, and San Juan-Miami
- SDXs are shown in circles





Project Partners and Collaborators

- Florida International University (FIU)
- University of Southern California Information Sciences Institute (USC-ISI)
- Renaissance Computing Institute at UNC (RENCI)
- Georgia Institute of Technology (GT)
- Academic Network of Sao Paulo (ANSP)
- Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy (AURA)
- Rede Nacional de Ensino e Pesquisa (RNP, Brazil)
- Red Universitaria Nacional (REUNA, Chile)
- Florida LambdaRail
- Internet2



AtlanticWave-SDX Demonstration

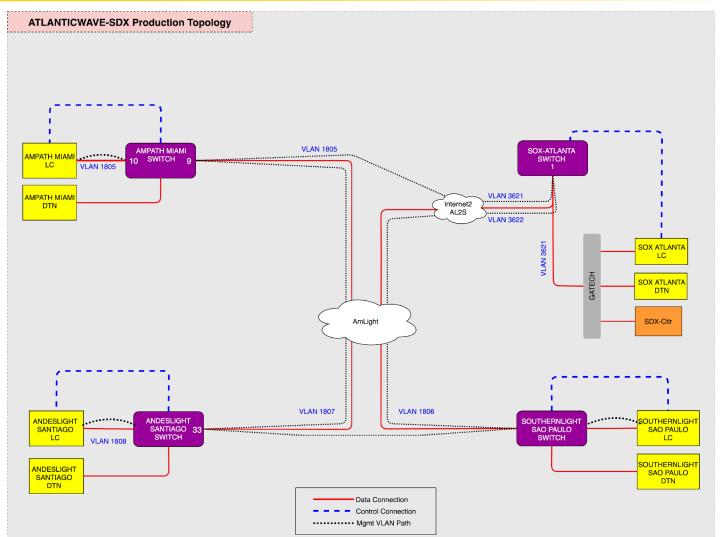
SDX Features

- In-band Management Plane
- Authentication via CILogon
- Point-to-Point Connections
- Point-to-Multipoint Connections
- Bandwidth Reservation
- Failure Handling
- REST API
- Flexibility, scalability and reliability
- Demonstrate SDX Features using Pegasus workflow application



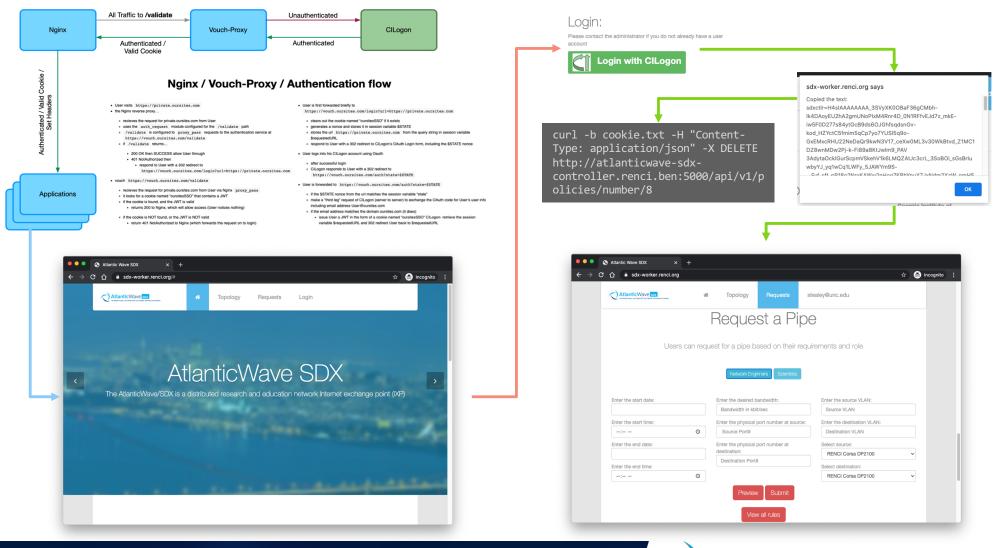
AtlanticWave-SDX Network Topology

- AmLight network is the underlay optical network with four OXPs
- An overlay ring topology is configured with Corsa switches deployed at the OXPs.
- A SDX Local Controller and a DTN are deployed at each OXP.
- Duplicated the overlay network at BEN testbed.
- CI/CD environment



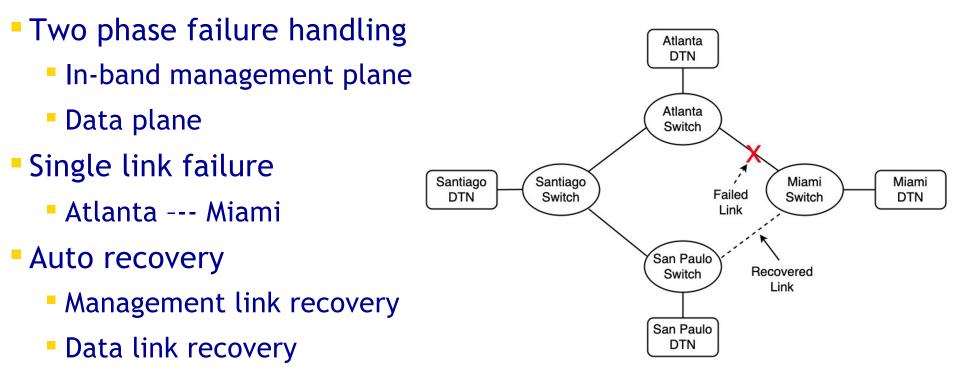


AtlanticWave-SDX Portal and CILogon





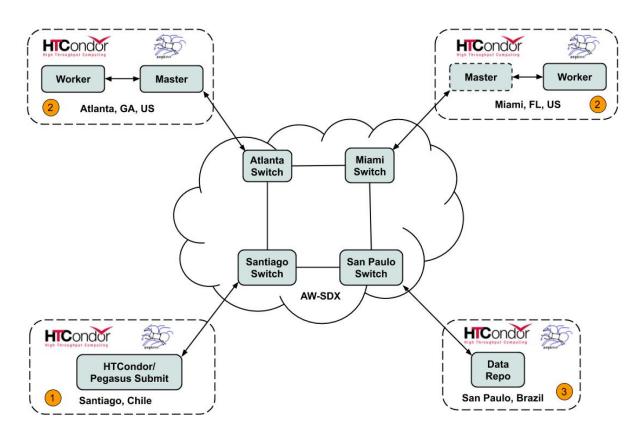
Failure Handling



 Robust stateful recovery of the controllers after crash



AW-SDX Demo

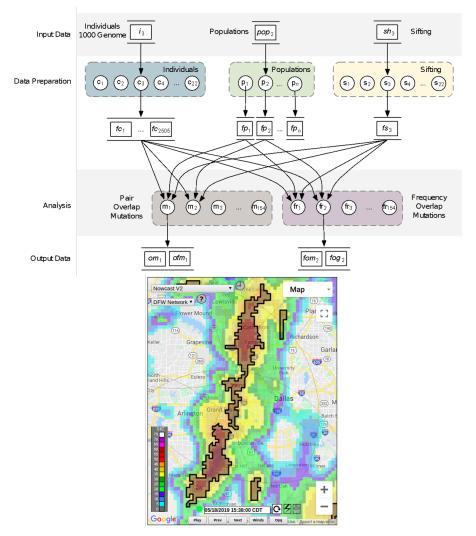


- Demonstrate SDX features
- Pegasus/HTCondor
 - Santiago, Chile (Job submit)
 - Atlanta, GA, US (worker 1)
 - Miami, FL, US (worker 2)
 - San Paulo, Brazil (Data repo)



Experiment Workflows

- 1000Genome
 - Provides a reference for human variation
 - Reconstructed the genomes across 26 different populations
- Collaborative Adaptive Sensing of the Atmosphere (CASA)
 - NowCasting: short-term advection forecasts (30 mins)
 - 31 grids of predicted reflectivity per minute



AtlanticWave SDX INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTED SOFTWARE-DEFINED EXCHANGE

Data Visualization

