

## Metro Ethernet deployments and challenges

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### Agenda

- SP Ethernet and applications
- Metro Ethernet Basics and Service definitions
- Challenges and Approach to Metro Ethernet



### What Is SP Metro Ethernet?



### **Benefits to Residential customers**



### **Benefits to Business customers**

- Ethernet everywhere in the LAN and the WAN
- Cheaper Bandwwwwidth
- New services viz L3VPN, L2VPN, Ethernet Private Line ..and more to come
  - Handle traffic according to business objectives
  - Support mix of different applications with different QoS requirements and traffic profiles – delay/jitter/loss/bandwidth/availability/sequence preservation – bursty & non-bursty traffic types

### Not just connectivity... its all about packaging

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### **Metro Ethernet Architecture and Terminology**

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### **Some Basic Metro Ethernet Concepts**

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- User Network Interface (UNI)—Demarcation point between service provider and service user responsibilities
- Ethernet Virtual Connection (EVC)—Association of two or more UNIs; frames can only be exchanged among the associated UNIs
- VLAN transparency—Ingress and egress customer VLANs are identical
- Layer 2 control protocol tunneling—The SP tunnels customer L2 control protocols in a manner that is consistent with the data packets
- Bundling—Multiple customer VLANs can map through a single Ethernet service on the UNI; all-toone bundling is a special case whereby all customer VLANs map to a single Ethernet service at the UNI
- Service multiplexing—The service provider can multiplex multiple EVCs per a single customer UNI

### Ethernet Wire Service (EWS) – Leased Line equivalent

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- Defines a point-to-point, port-based service
- No service multiplexing—"all-to-one" bundling
- Transparent to customer BPDUs
- Allows for over-subscription using stat muxing
- Routers and/or switches as CPE devices

### Ethernet Private Line (EPL) – Leased line equivalent

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- Defines a point-to-point, port-based service
- No service multiplexing—"all-to-one" bundling
- Transparent to customer BPDUs
- No oversubscription—delivered via EoS or WDM
- Routers and/or switches as CE devices

### Ethernet Relay Service (ERS) – FR equivalent

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- Defines a point-to-point service (analogous to Frame Relay using VLAN tags as VC IDs)
- Service multiplexed UNI (e.g., 802.1Q trunk)
- **Opaque** to customer PDUs (e.g., BPDUs)
- Recommend a router as CPE device

### Ethernet Multipoint Service (EMS) a.k.a. VPLS

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- Multipoint service where all devices are direct peers
- No service multiplexing—all VLANs are presented to all sites ("all-to-one" bundling)
- Transparent to customer BPDUs
- Also called transparent LAN service (TLS), E-LAN, or VPLS
- Routers and/or switches as CPE devices

### L2 Access to the Internet and L3 VPN

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- ERS UNI that maps to MPLS VPN on PE
- L3 multipoint service that maps VLANs to VRFs
- Service multiplexed UNI (e.g., 802.1Q trunk)
- Opaque to customer PDUs (e.g., BPDUs)
- Recommend a router as CPE device

# Summary of Ethernet-based Services

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### Residential & Business Service Ready Networks Challenges faced by SPs today

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Customer Equipment	UNI Definition	How to Build the Ethernet Access	How to Build the Interconnect Media
Enable Home- Networking Multiple SP support Residential & Business	Customer control protocol handling Service Definition LMI	Standard IEEE Bridges Customer VLAN transp. DSL/Wireless/Fiber MAC address scalability Redundancy OAM&P	MPLS/L2TPv3 Redundancy; PW – encap & signal. Auto-Discovery; EA & IM connection; OAM&P

### Challenges of the Metro Ethernet Network Design

- Technology choice Switching/Optical, MPLS/L2TPv3 to the access or in the aggregation, Interworking with FR/ATM/LL
- Deployment Rings/FTTx based on density
- Where Upto the end customer or only for DSL aggregation
- Scaling # of VLANs and MAC addresses
- Security Preventing IP address theft, MAC address limiting, DHCP Snooping, DDOS,
- OAM Troubleshooting the service end to end
- QoS DSCP transparency, CAC for VoD
- Multicast Latency in joins
- Resiliency/Redundancy faster convergence in the access with standards based deployments

### **MEN Life Cycle**

Solution choice based on business needs

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### 1) Start with the Service definition

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### 2) Continue with SLA definitions

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#### Bandwidth profiles

Similar to Frame Relay—PIR/CIR/MBS

Well-known, simple—limited traffic differentiation and per application network capacity planning

#### Service classes

Differentiate and traffic-engineer accordingly

### 3) Look at the architecture approach

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### **Remember the KiSS principle**

### **Case Study**

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