Quick and dirty optimal topology formulation

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Preliminaries: We consider a setting with N Racks each equipped with M FSO devices. We use the index i to refer to a specific Rack and j to refer to a specific FSO device. Thus, the subscript i, j will refer to a specific Rack-FSO combination.

Let k denote a pair of racks and let us assume that we know some estimated traffic matrix for every pair of racks denoted by T_k for the volume of traffic from k.

Suppose the bandwidth of an inter-FSO link (if enabled) is C.

Control variables: Our goal is to decide which pair of Rack-FSO links that need to be connected – let $d_{(i,j\to i',j')}$ be a binary variable that takes the value 1 if we choose to add a link between $(i,j\to i',j')$. Note that we are considering a fully steerable model where every pair of FSO trasceivers can talk to each other.

Formulation:

Let $f_{k,(i,j\to i',j')}$ denote the volume of the inter-rack traffic on k that flows on the edge $(i,j\to i',j')$.

Then, we have a natural sanity check that the flow can only be positive and non-zero only if we have an edge enabled.

$$\forall f_{k,(i,j\to i',j')} : 0 \le f_{k,(i,j\to i',j')} \le C \times d_{(i,j\to i',j')} \tag{1}$$

We have a flow conservation constraint on a per-rack basis for rack that is not the ingress or egress:

$$\forall k, \forall i : \sum_{i',j',j} f_{k,(i',j'\to i,j)} = \sum_{i',j',j} f_{k,(i,j\to i',j')} \tag{2}$$

For the ingress, we have a special constraint:

$$\forall k, s.t. \ i = Ingress(k) : \sum_{i',j',j} f_{k,(i,j\to i',j')} = T_k$$

$$\tag{3}$$

For the egress, we have a special constraint:

$$\forall k, s.t. \ i = Egress(k) : \sum_{i',j',j} f_{k,(i',j'\to i,j)} = T_k \tag{4}$$

Each FSO on each rack can be connected to at most one other receiver.

$$\forall i, j : \sum_{i', j'} d_{(i, j \to i', j')} \le 1 \tag{5}$$

By symmetry, each FSO on each rack can be connected to at most one other sender.

$$\forall i', j' : \sum_{i,j} d_{(i,j \to i',j')} \le 1$$
 (6)

Objective: Our goal is to accommodate the demands represented by our traffic matrix in the most efficient manner. In other words, we want to minimize the congestion on the maximum loaded inter-FSO link so that the completion time for the maximum flow is the smallest.

$$Minimize \max_{(i,j\to i',j')} \frac{\sum_{k} f_{k,(i,j\to i',j')}}{C} \tag{7}$$