

Security implications of optical bypass



- Lambda appears in middle of campus
 - Passes all but fiber plant
 - Lands on a desk... or in a cluster
- Security implication
 - Dual home, bypass all campus security
 - ...and they'll run BGP on it
 - Becomes local net provider (i've got a great connection, want to use some?)
- Diagnosis is suddenly impossible to worse



- Responsibility
 - Who gives the IP addr...
 - Research over network vs. on networks
 - Network arch implications, not so much end host issues
- Policy statements
 - Treat them like outsiders? Thus certain services on campus respond as if they were off campus elements
- Is it just a big modem? How is it diffferent?
 - User expectations on usage of lambda is fundamentlaally different



- Blackhole flows if source IP doesn't match...
 - Whose prob is it?
- Who takes responsibil?
- Replicate the infrastructure
 - But then you have to purchase dwdm gear...
 - And the security stuff is what they wanted to avoid
 - Use optical taps... (w/r/t performance)
 - This is all expensive



- Application routing
- Campuses not knowing what is happening when/where
- Xref ARIN registration process for Ips and having Ren-isac be the clearing house for dynamic lambda route info
- Scaling issues...
- Campuses talk to RONs, not the end user



- Who are the policy folks?
 - This is over their heads...
 - Need the tech folks to take lead
- Work with RONs to not work directly with researchers
 - Try to get campuses back into the line
- BCP and/or Clearinghouse
- We need to get the Dragon/UCLP/BRUW folks in the room
 - Get them to integrate reporting out of path info to clearinghouse