

Hybrid Optical Packet and Circuit Switching in Spatial Division Multiplexing Fiber Networks

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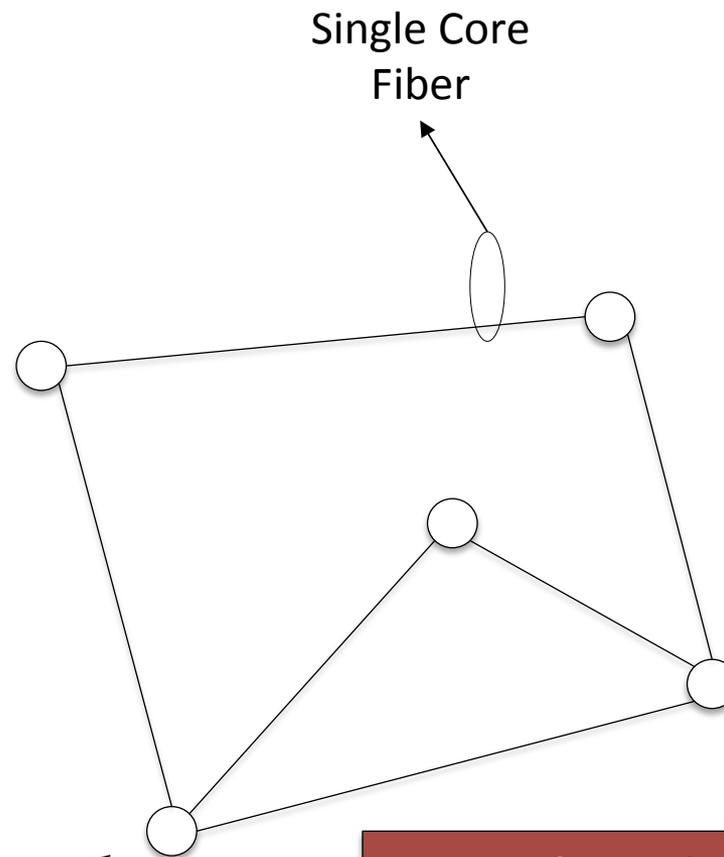
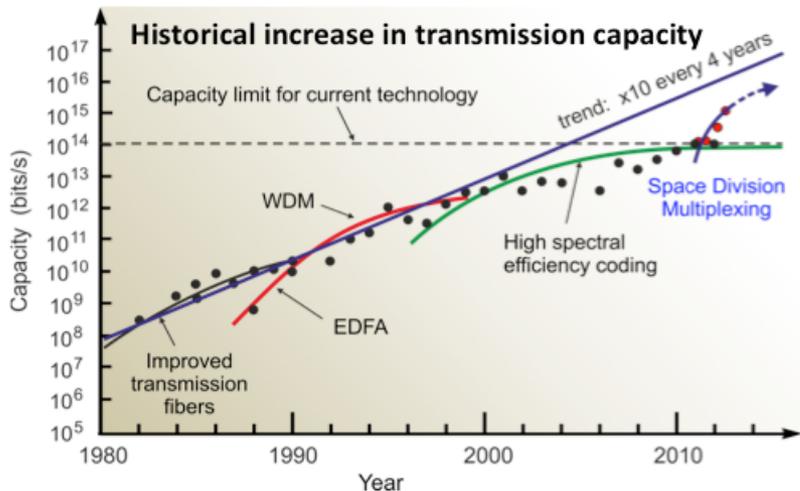


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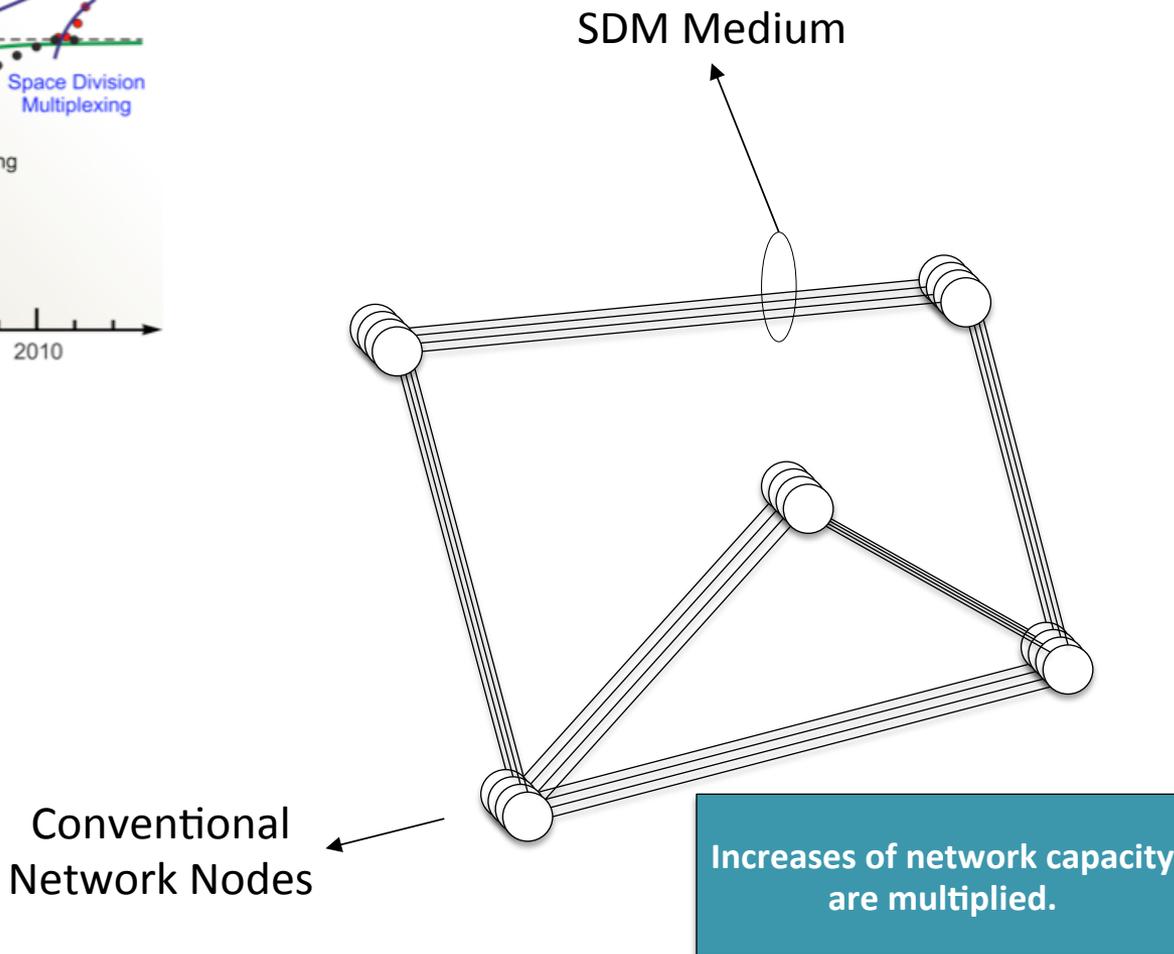
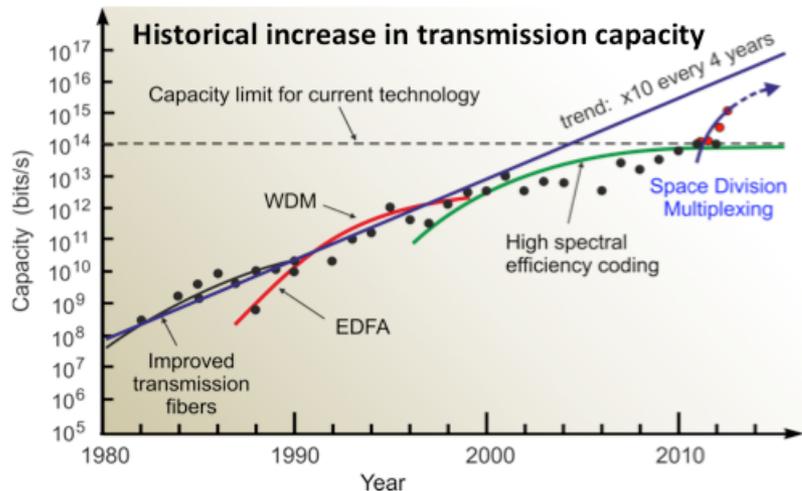
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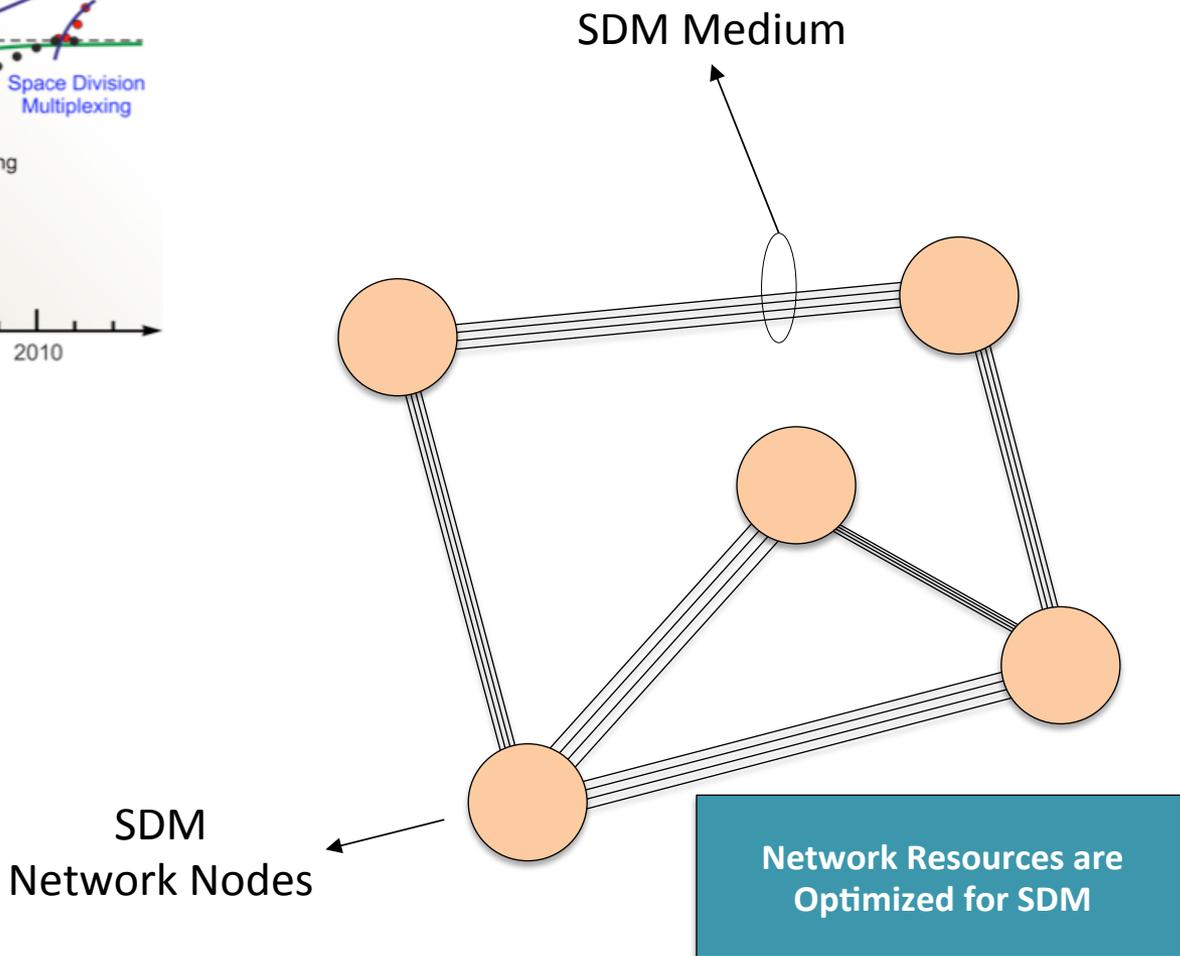
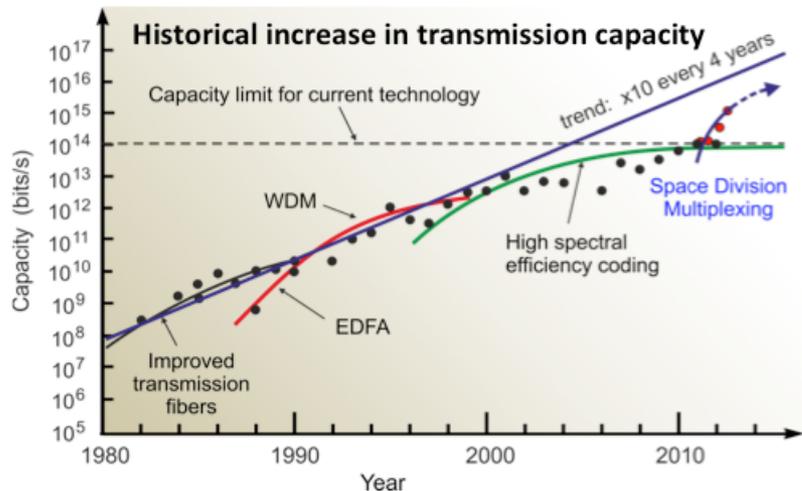
Conventional Network Nodes

Increases of network capacity may be unable to handle the increase in traffic demand!

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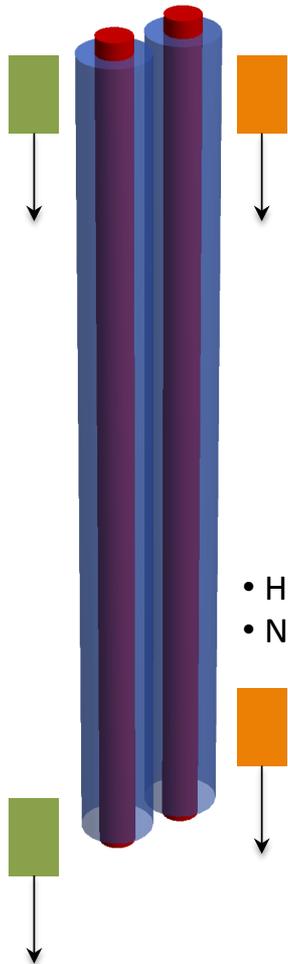


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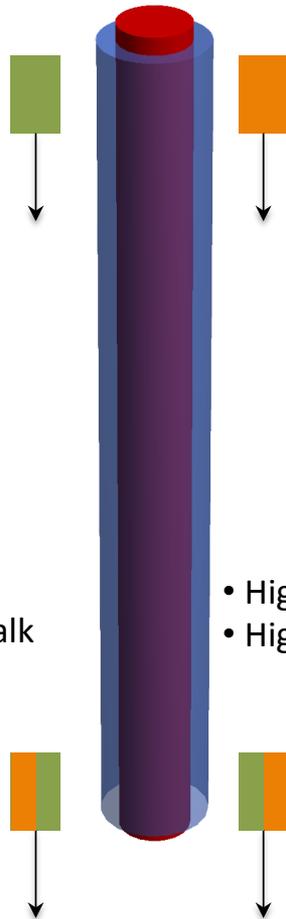
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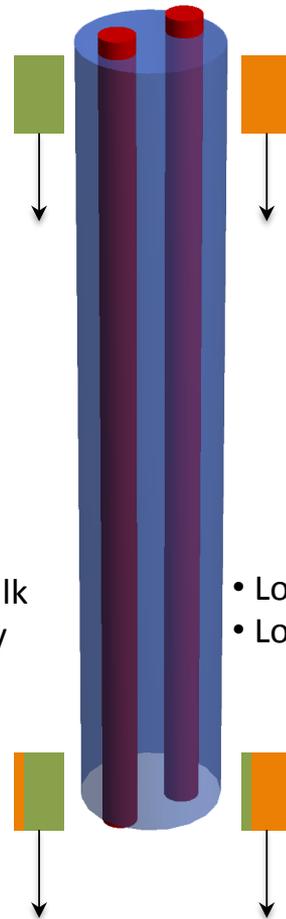
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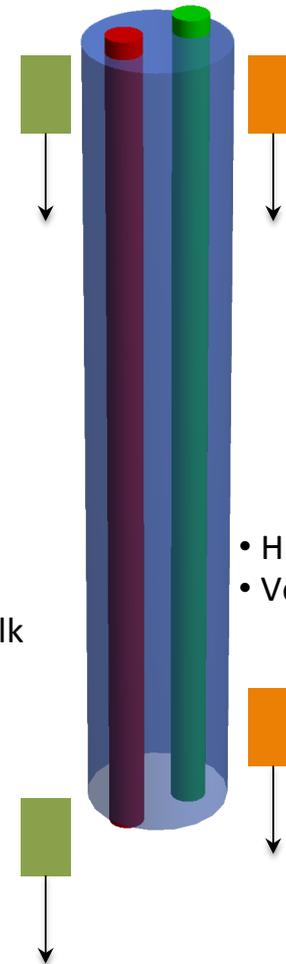
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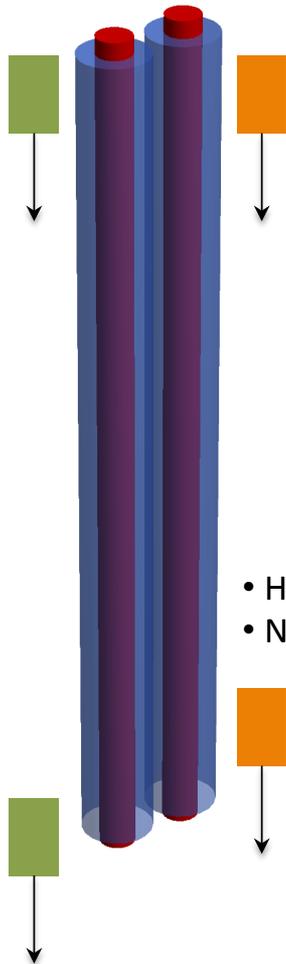
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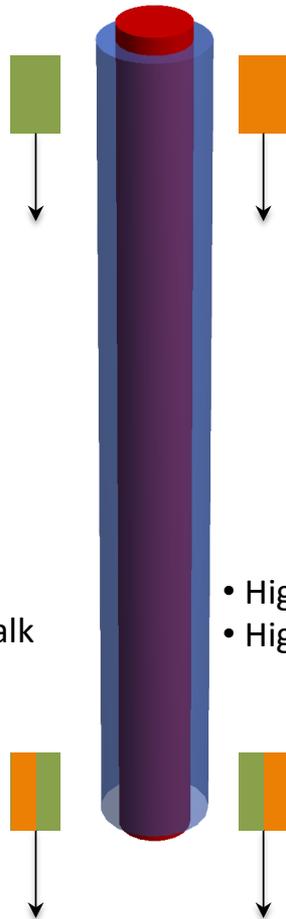
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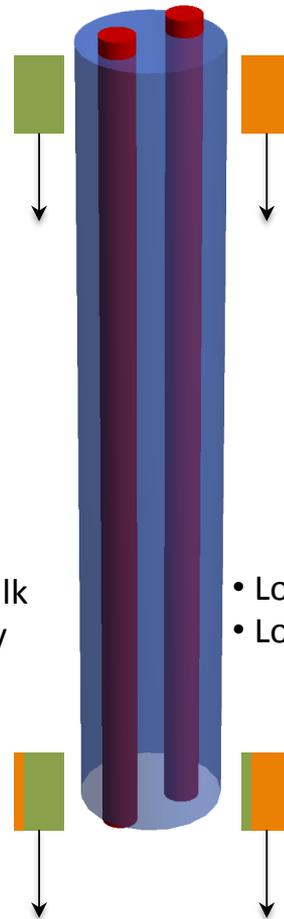
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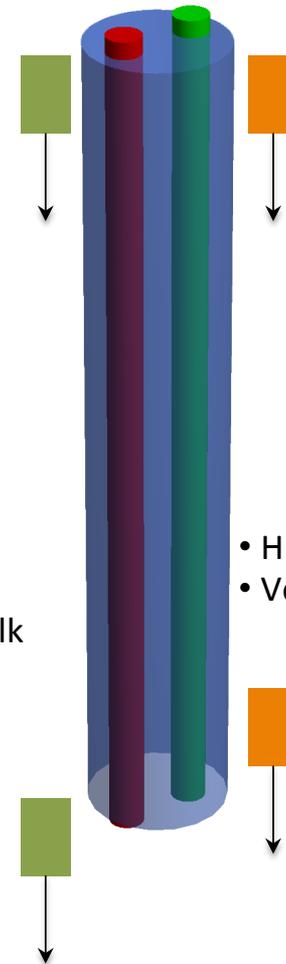
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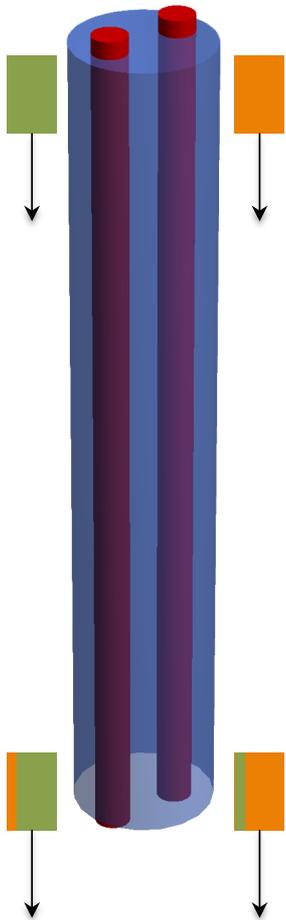


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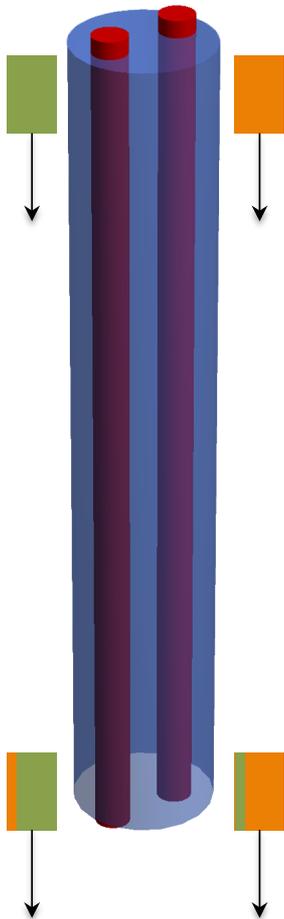


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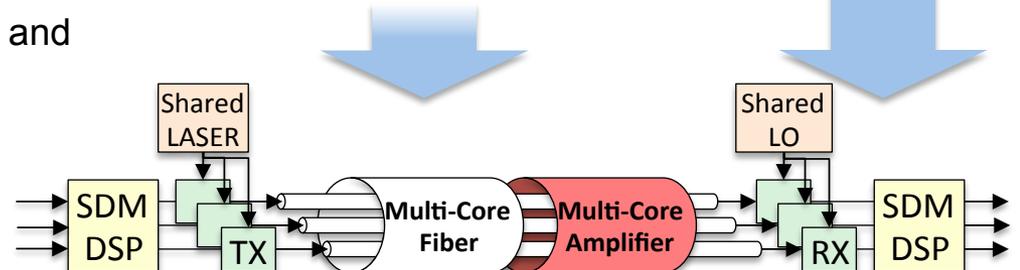
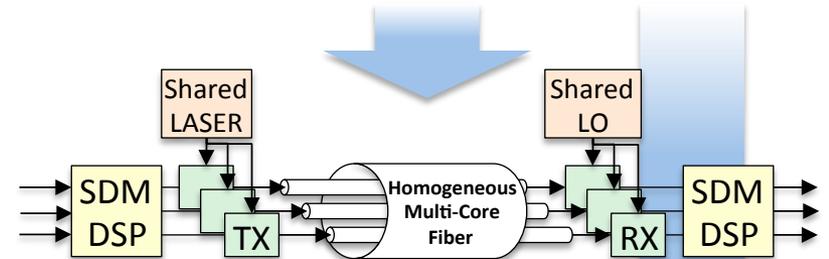
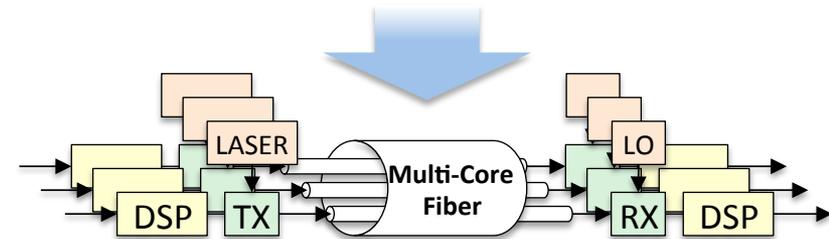


SDM Networks Using Homogeneous MCFs

Homogeneous
Multi-Core
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- **Light on each core is “uncoupled” from the other cores**
 - Residual coupling yields inter-core crosstalk
- **Propagation characteristics are similar amongst all cores**
 - Residual differences in group velocity yield inter-core skew
- **Simple transition from single-core to multi-core fiber systems**
- **Nearly time-aligned Spatial Super-Channels**
 - Simple shared DSP amongst spatial channels
 - Spatial modulation formats and Spatial coding
 - Self-Homodyne Detection



Crosstalk-Limited Spectral Efficiency

Assumptions:

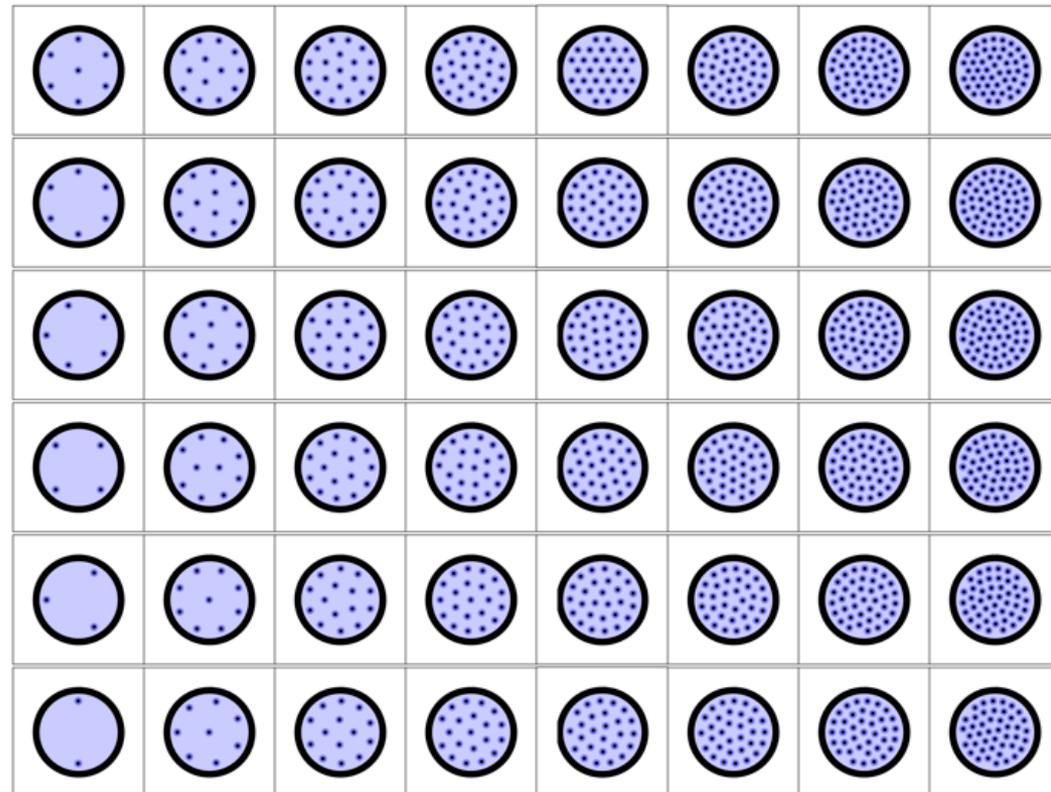
- Crosstalk behaves as an AWGN with power proportional to the signal power (high symbol rates and/or long distances and signals w/ null carrier)
- Average crosstalk depends only on the fiber geometry
- Similar launch power on all fiber cores
- Linear transmission
- Spectral Efficiency:

$$SE_{core\ k} = \log_2 \left[1 + (SNR^{-1} + XT_k)^{-1} \right]$$

$$SE = \sum_k SE_{core\ k}$$

\uparrow SNR in the absence of crosstalk \uparrow Crosstalk – Ratio between avg. crosstalk and signal powers

Considered core arrangements to maximize core pitch²

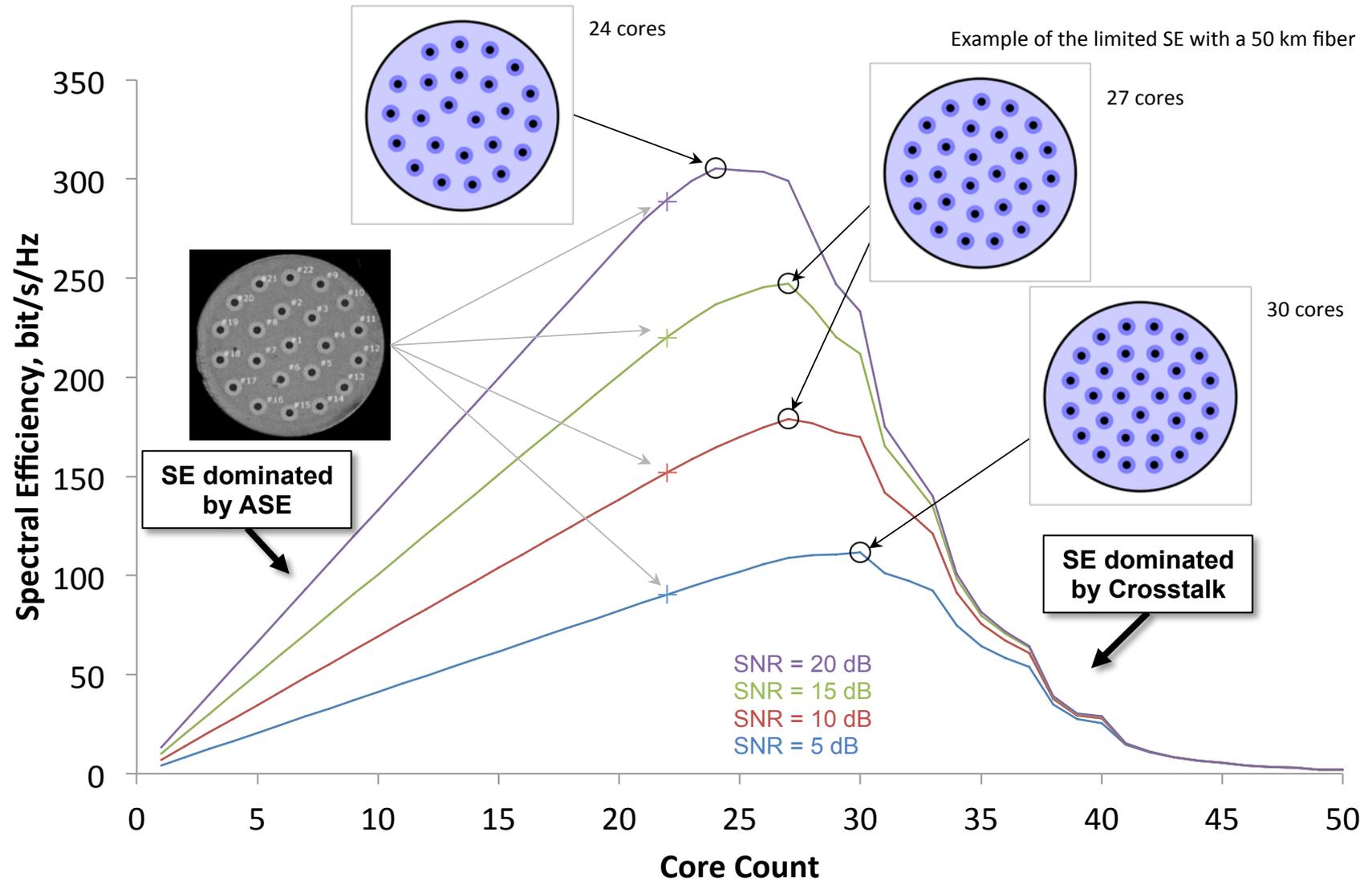


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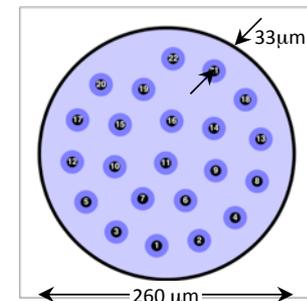
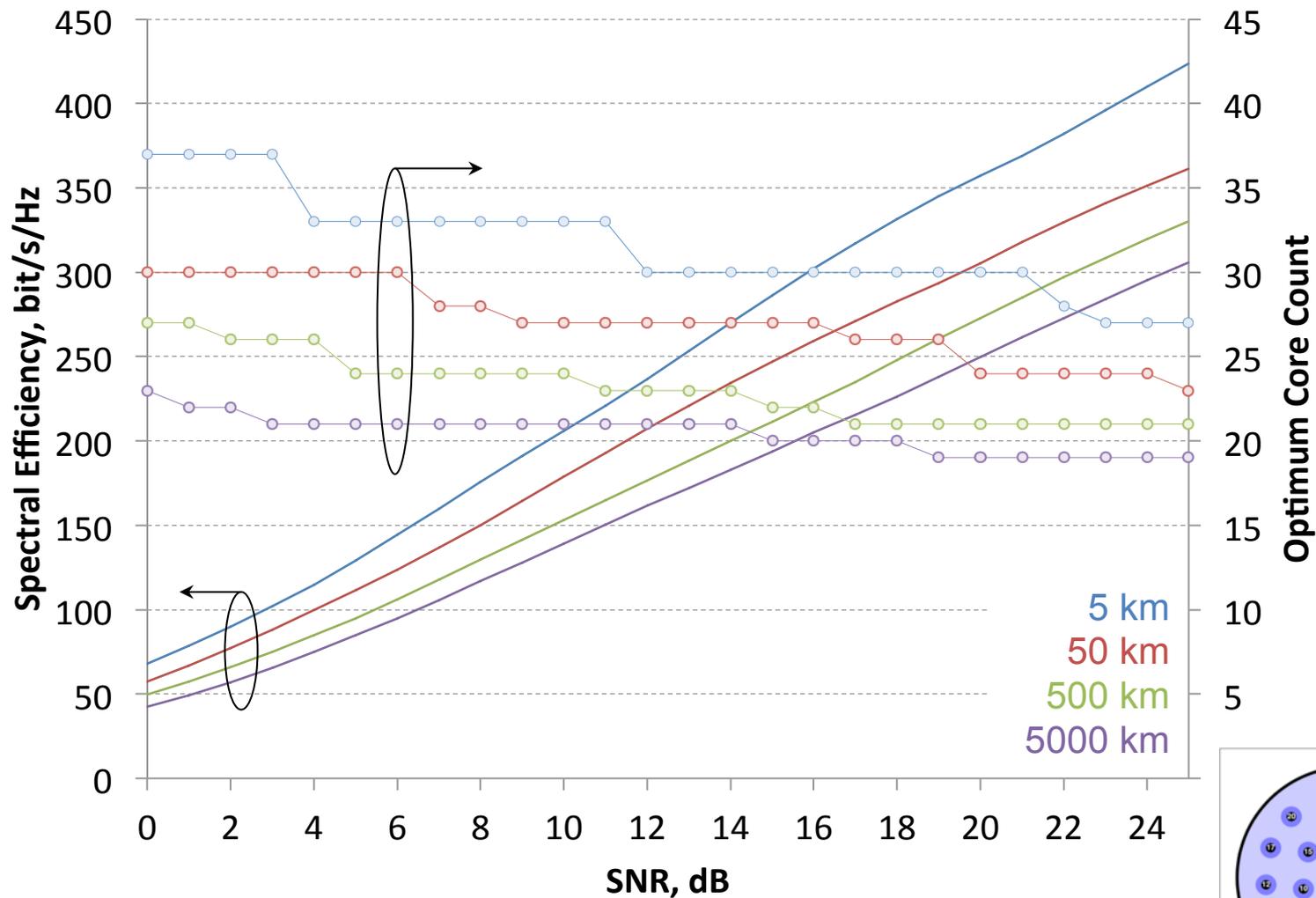
² E. Specht, <http://www.packomania.com>

³ F. Ye, et al., Optics Express **22**(19), 23007, 2014

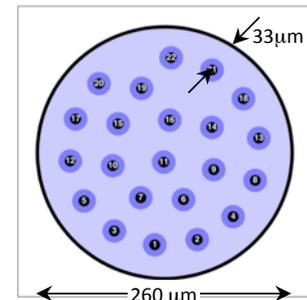
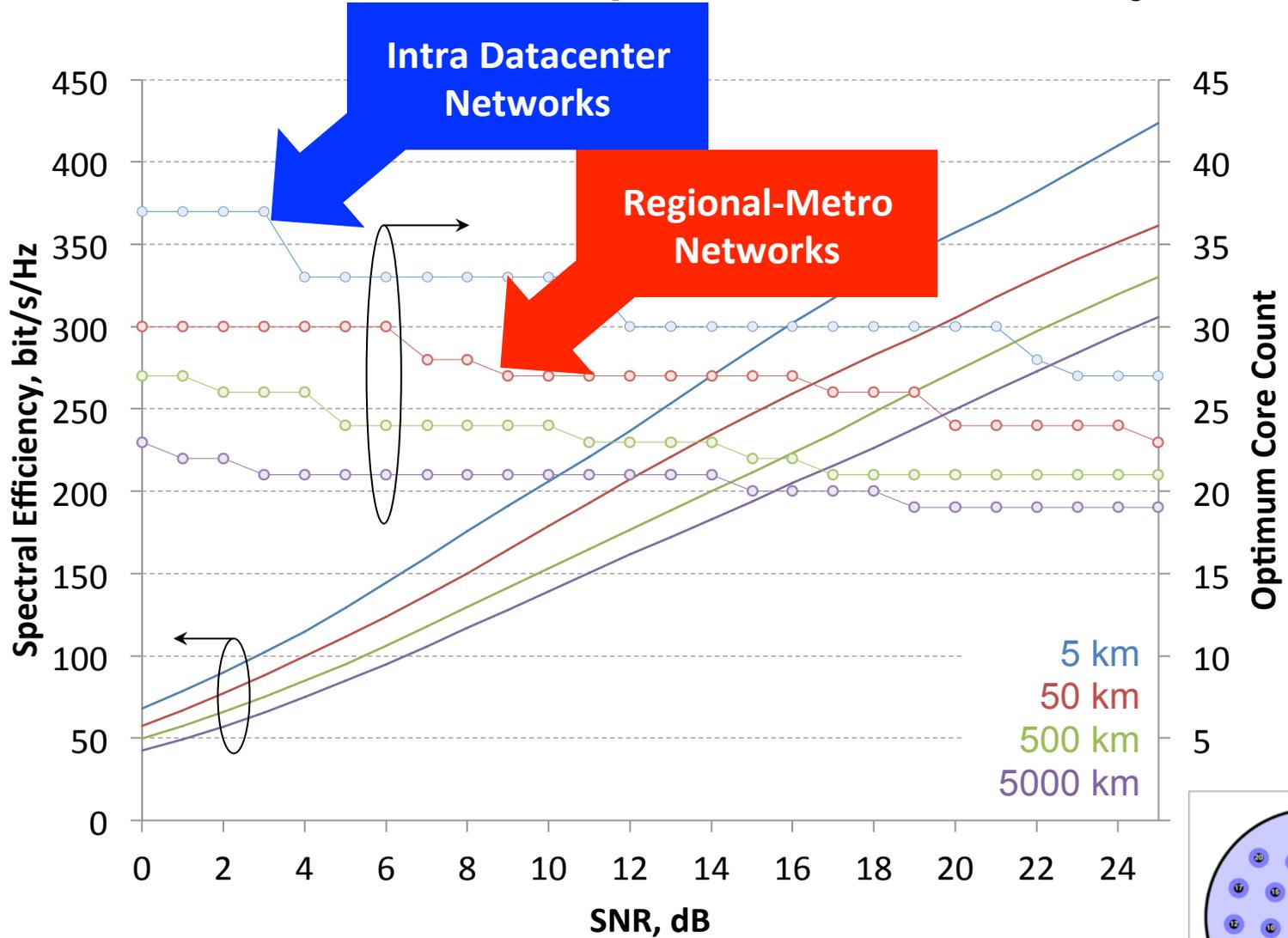
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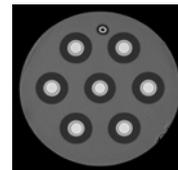
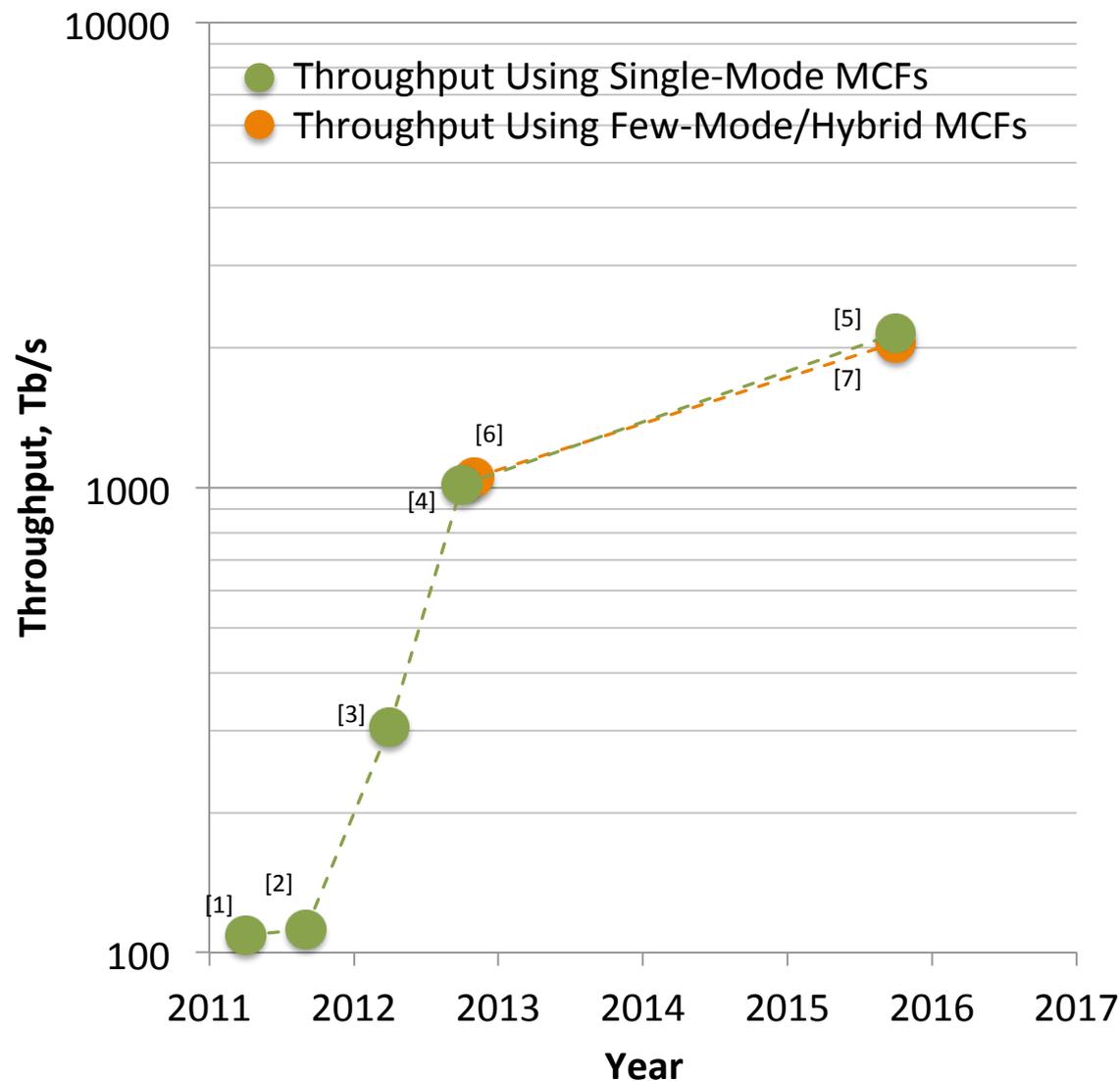
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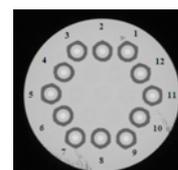
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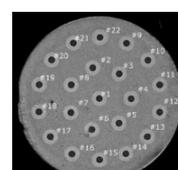
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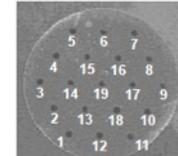
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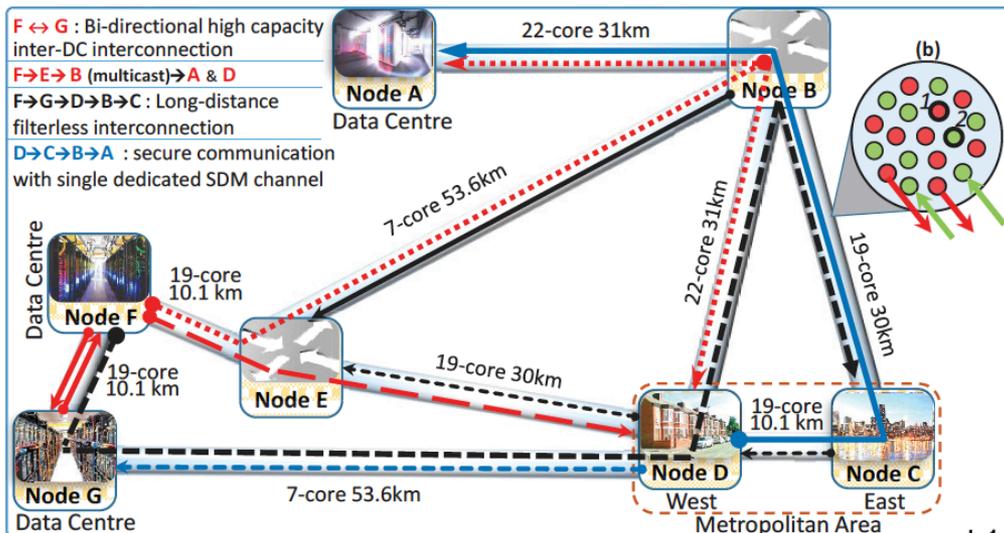
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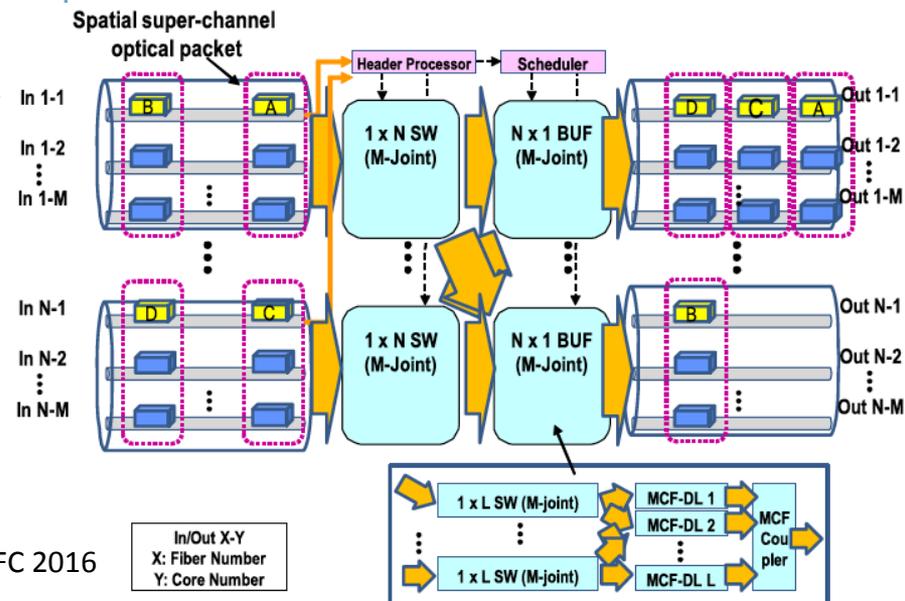
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Architecture on Demand experimental demonstration



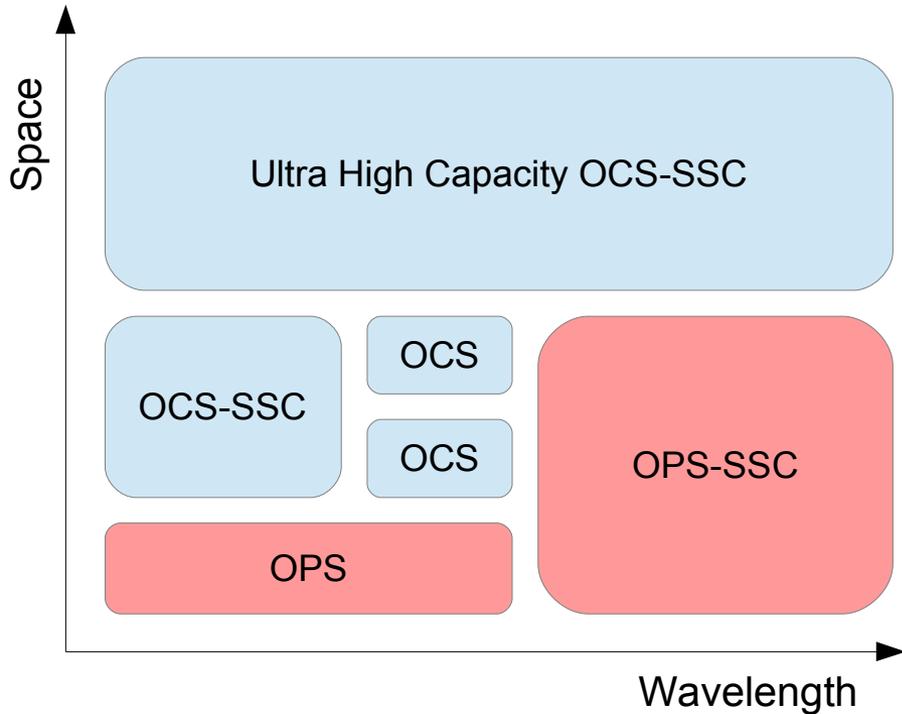
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Joint Spatial Packet Switching



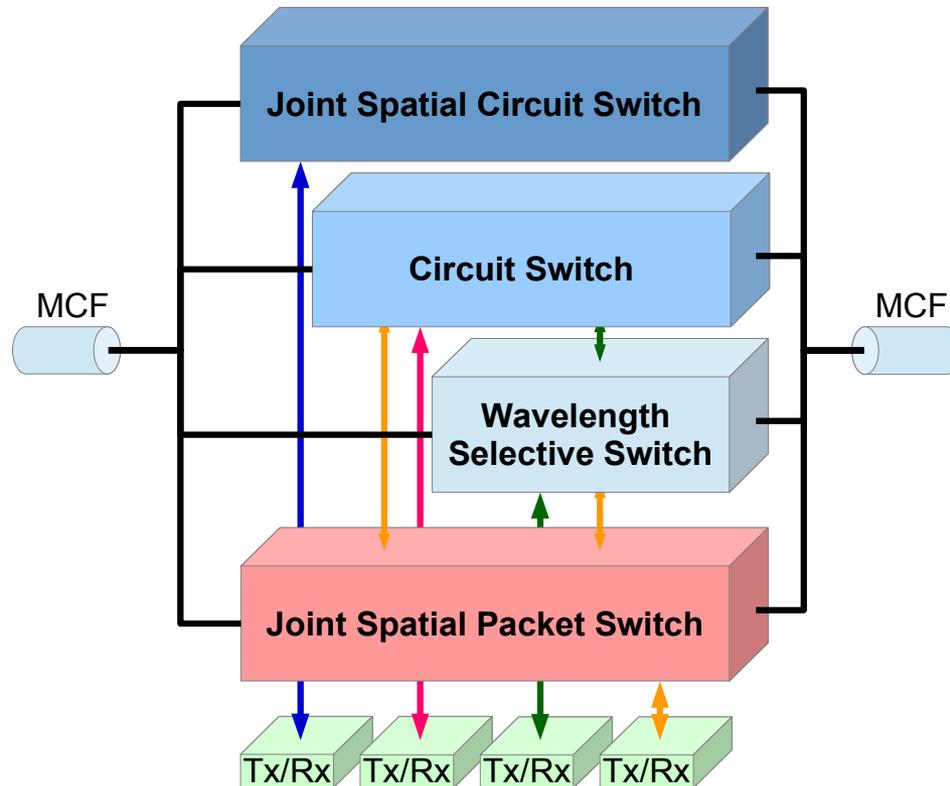
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Optical Packet Switch

100G OTN
Transponder

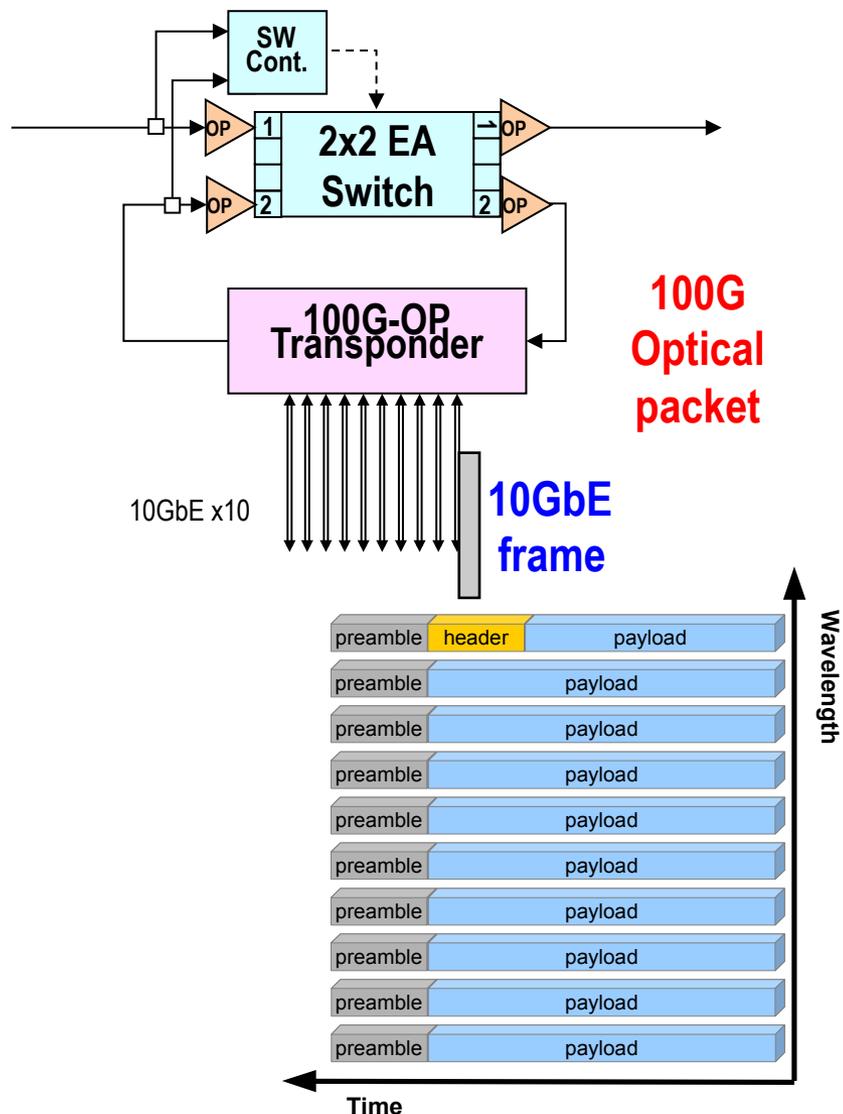
OCS
(ROADM)

OPS

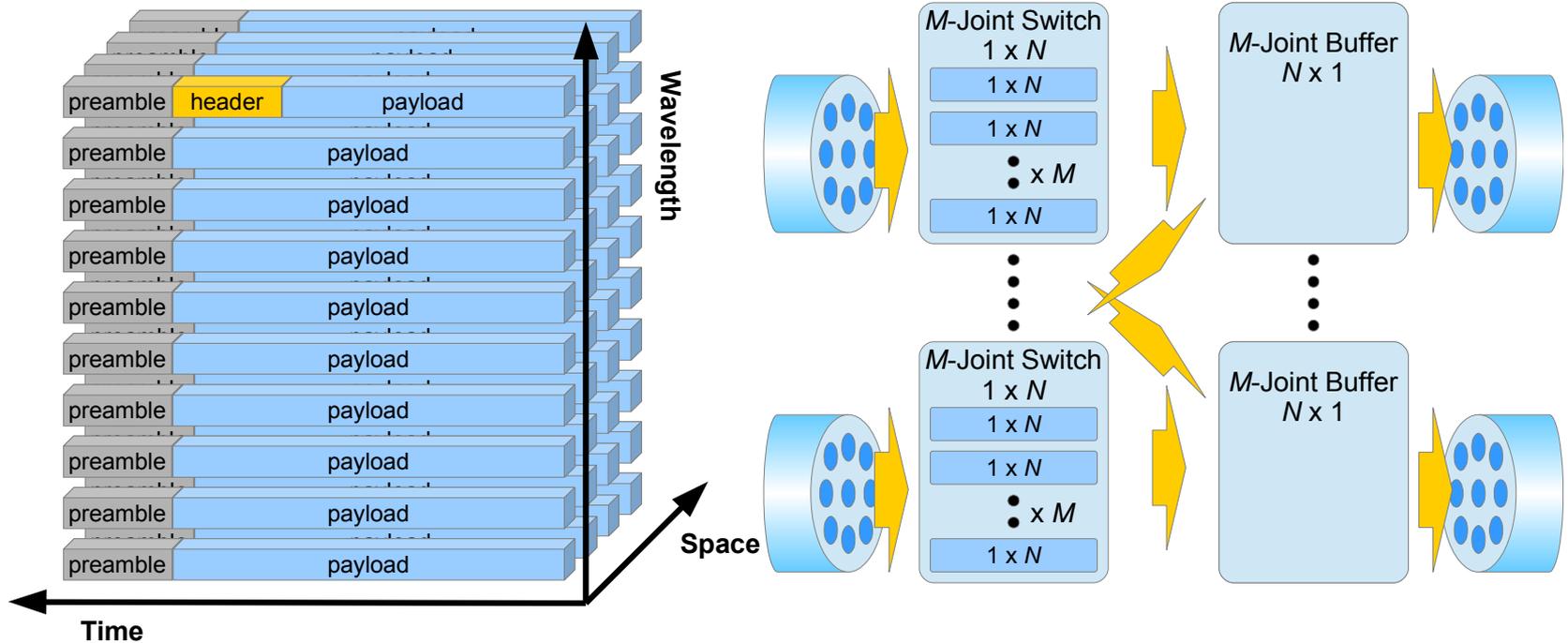


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- Electro-absorption switches
- 100 Gb/s multi-wavelength packets
- Optical-Label Processing
- Burst-mode amplification

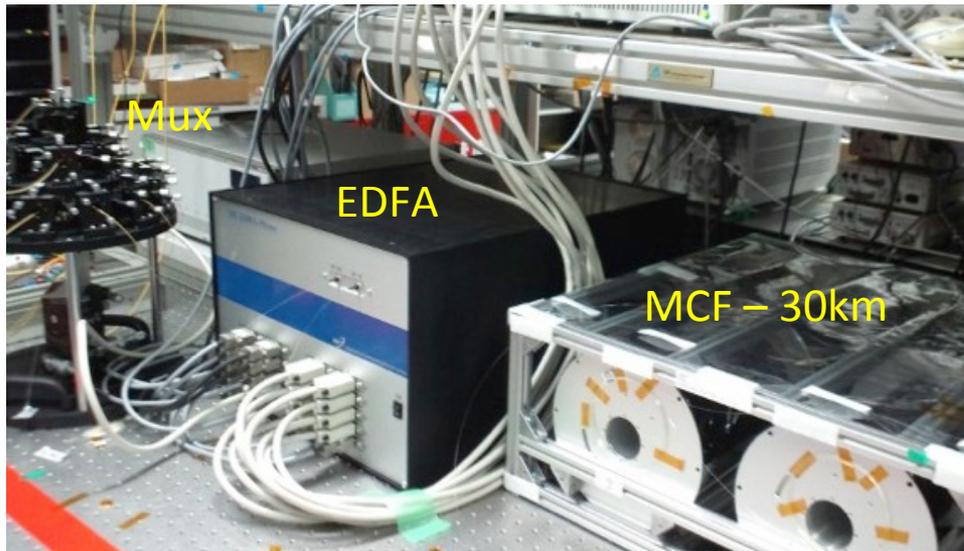
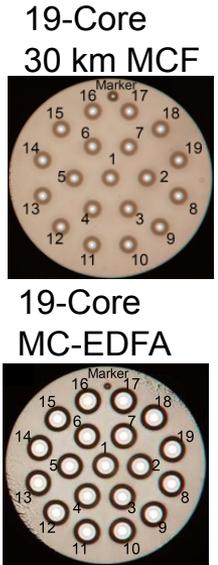
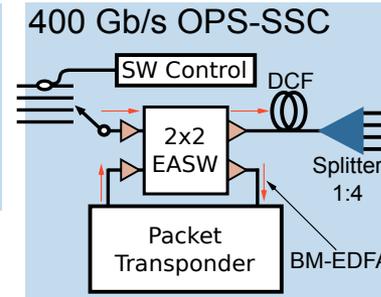
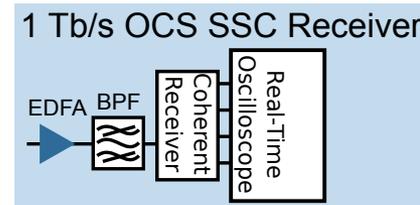
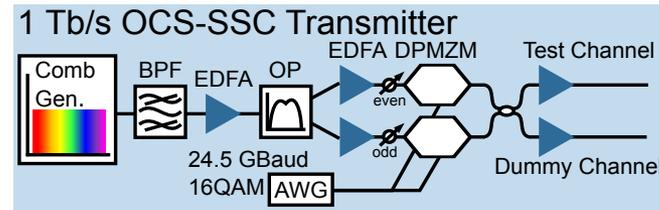
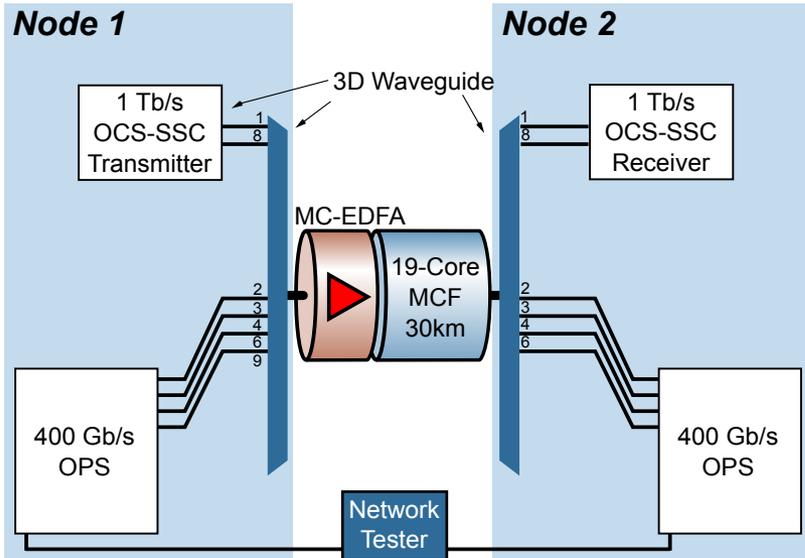


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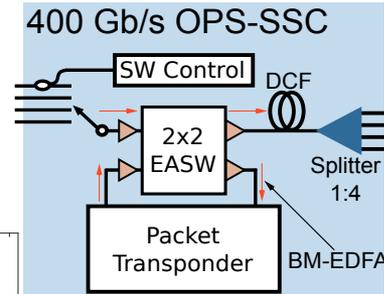
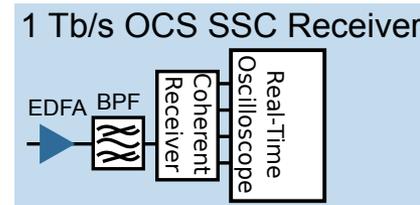
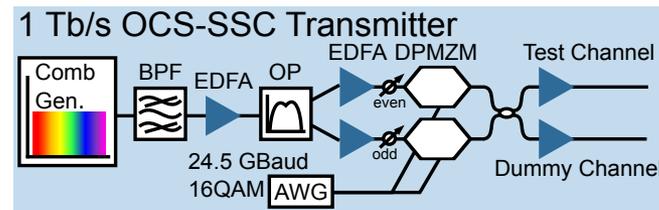
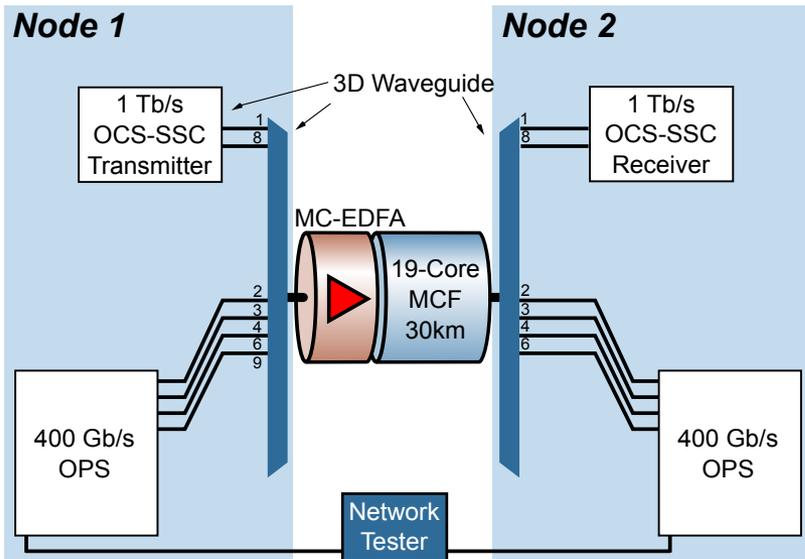
- Electro-absorption switches
- 400 Gb/s multi-wavelength spatial packets
- Optical-Label Processing – Core 1
- Burst-mode amplification

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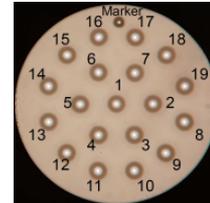


- 19-Core 30 km MCF
- 19-Core MC-EDFA

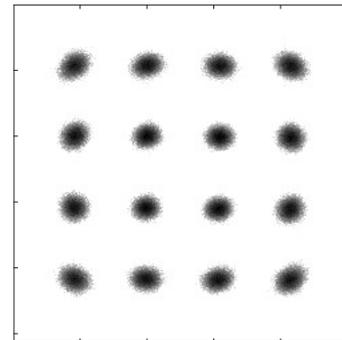
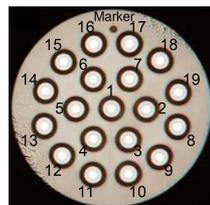
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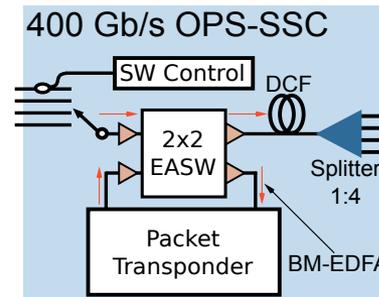
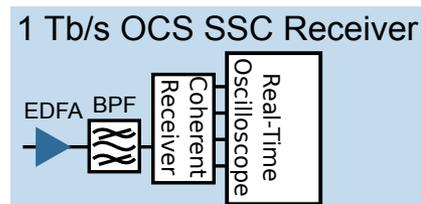
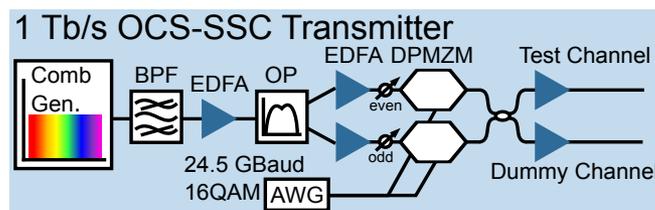
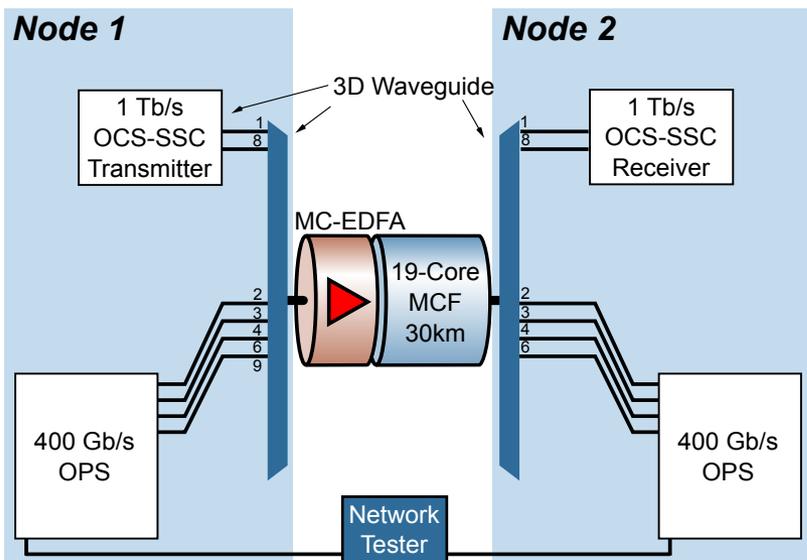
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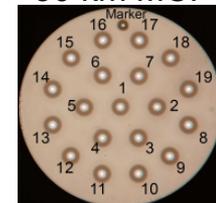
- 1 Tb/s OCS-SSC (2 cores x 3 wavelengths)
- PDM-16QAM at 24.5 Gbaud
- Ultra-wideband frequency comb generator (up to 400 wavelengths)



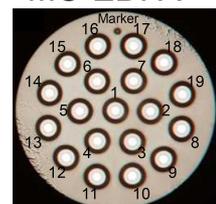
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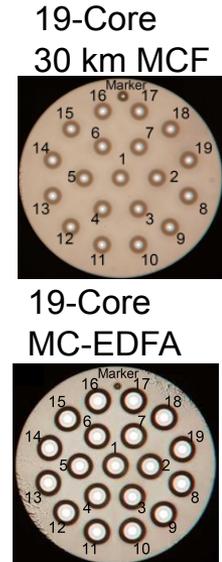
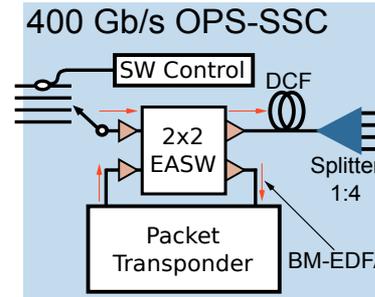
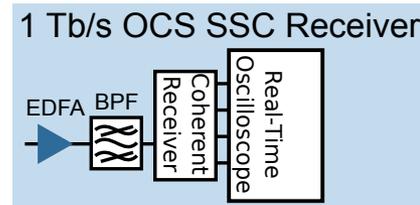
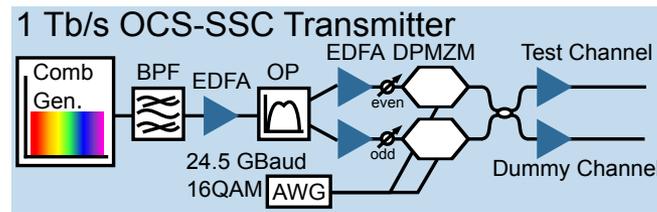
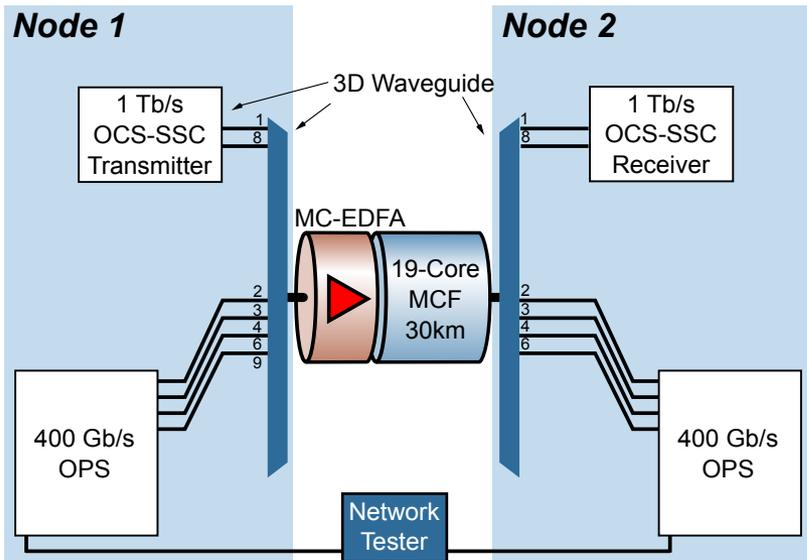


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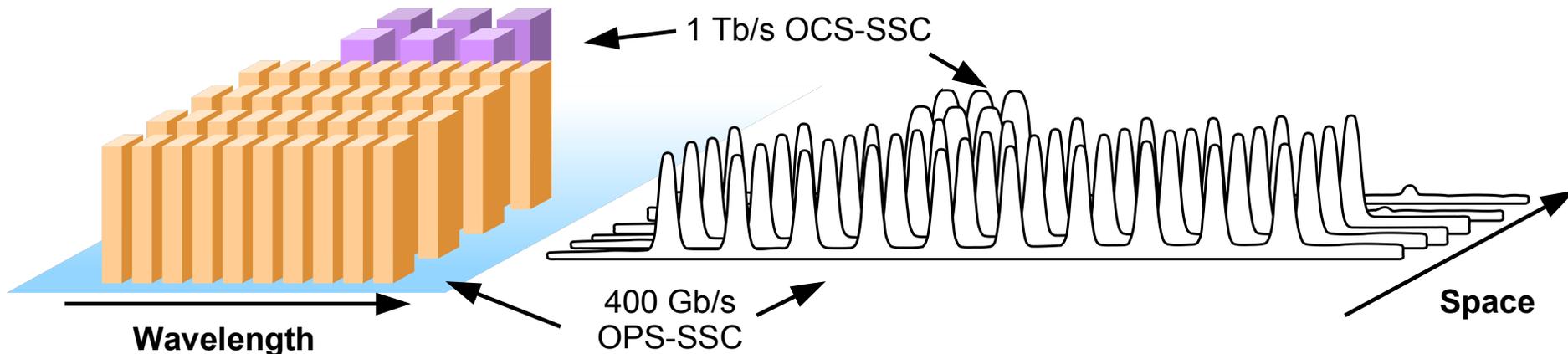
- 400 Gb/s OPS-SSC
- Emulated Joint Packet Switching

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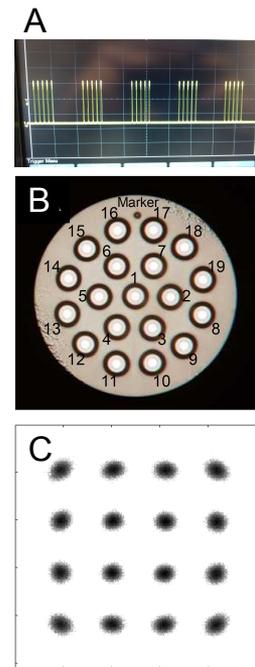
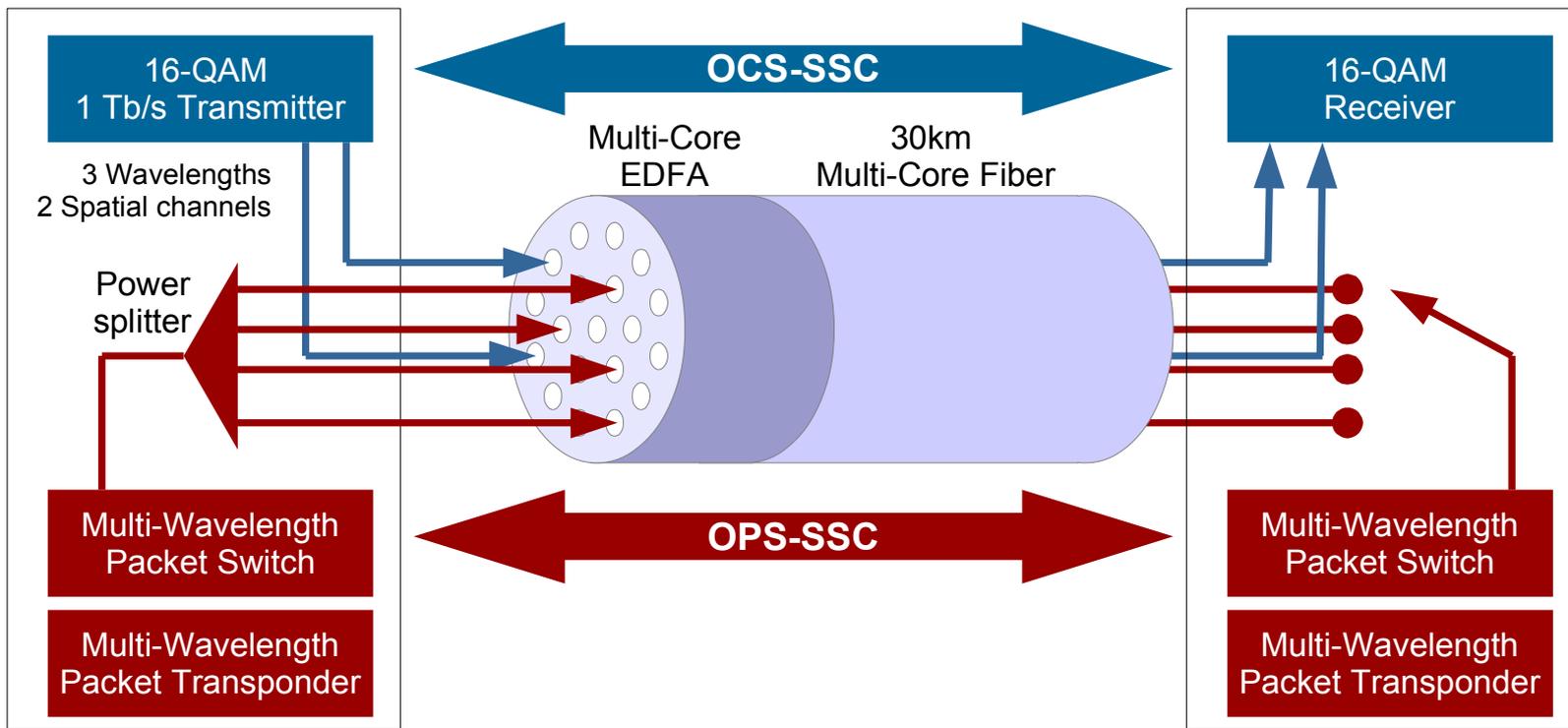


Allocated Channel Plan

Measured Channel Plan

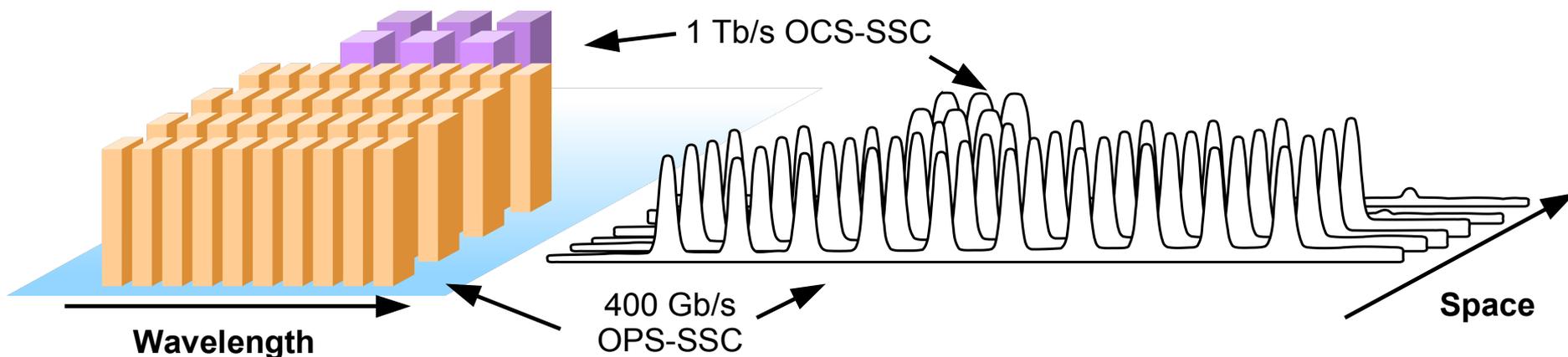


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Allocated Channel Plan

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Conclusion



- Addressed the physical aspects of the use of homogeneous multi-core fibers in SDM networks
- Made the case for a hybrid spatial packet and circuit switching architecture for SDM networks
- Experimentally demonstrated a SSC-OPS + SSC OCS system using joint optical packet switching, multi-core fiber and multi-core amplification
- Future work: Including joint spatial circuit switching; network management and control; higher throughput

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Thanks for your attention!

Questions?