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# ECOC 2017 - Market Focus State of the Optical Transport Market

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# Demand Surging for Bandwidth and Network Capacity

Traffic demand is growing for traditional carriers and Web 2.0 content providers



## Data and video

Video will represent **82%** of all IP traffic in 2021<sup>1</sup>



## Mobile and 4G LTE/5G

Wireless and mobile device traffic more than **63%** of total IP traffic by 2021<sup>1</sup>



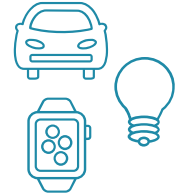
## Cloud Services

By 2020, 92% of all data center traffic will come from the cloud<sup>2</sup>



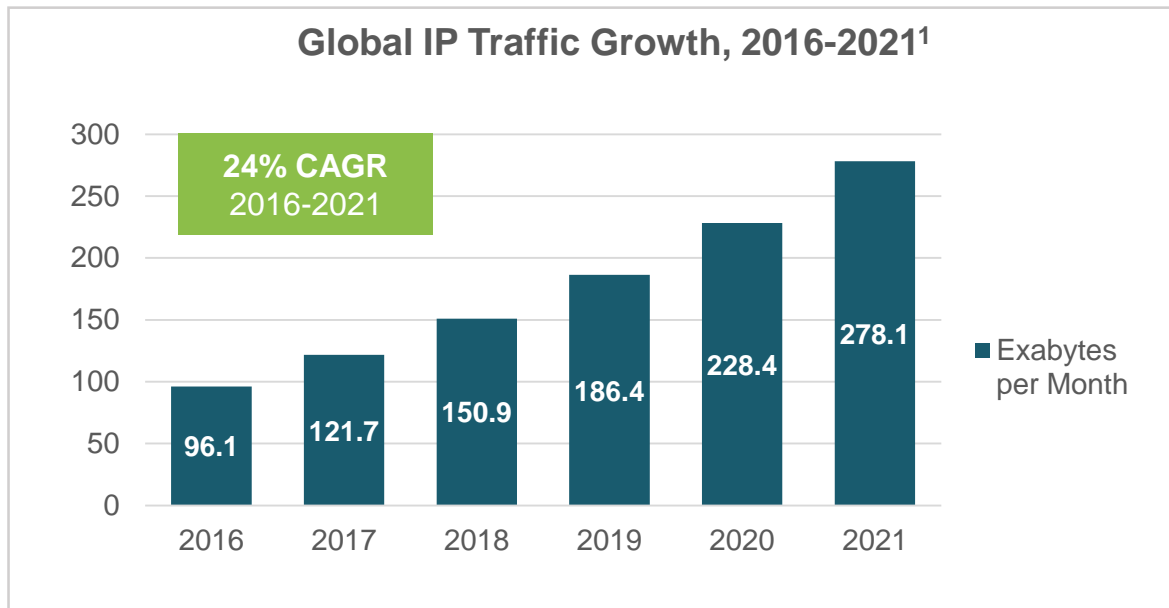
## Changing Traffic Patterns

Smartphone traffic will **exceed** PC traffic by 2021<sup>1</sup>



## “Internet of Things”

The number of devices connected to IP networks will be **3x** as high as the global population in 2021<sup>1</sup>



Global IP traffic expected to increase ~3x from 2016 to 2021

# Expanding Global Network Capacity

CLOUD

Google and Facebook partner on PLCN submarine cable between Los Angeles and Hong Kong

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Telxius, Facebook and Microsoft start MAREA in Spain.

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Microsoft's New Cross Pacific Subsea Cable

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Amazon's Cloud Arm Makes Its First Big Submarine Cable Investment

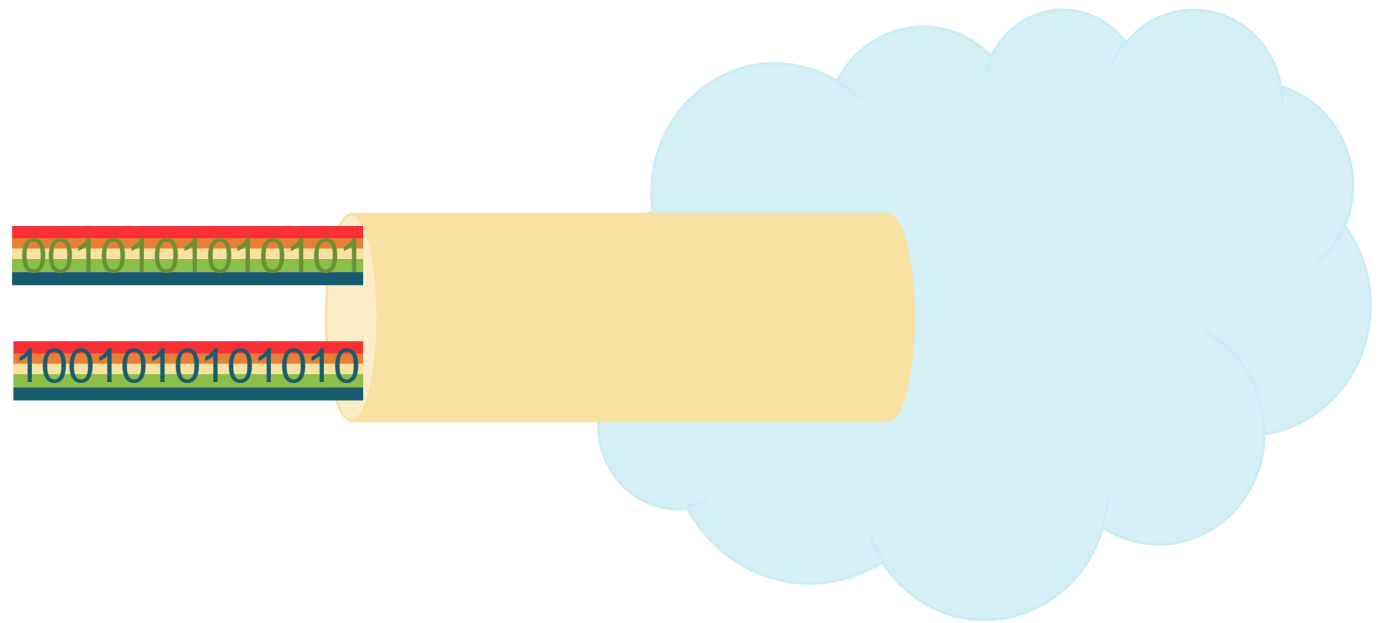
Transpacific Hawaiki cable expected to improve AWS latency for users in Australia and New Zealand

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Despite dramatic improvements in spectral efficiency enabled by coherent technology, network operators are making investments to deploy more fiber in costly submarine networks

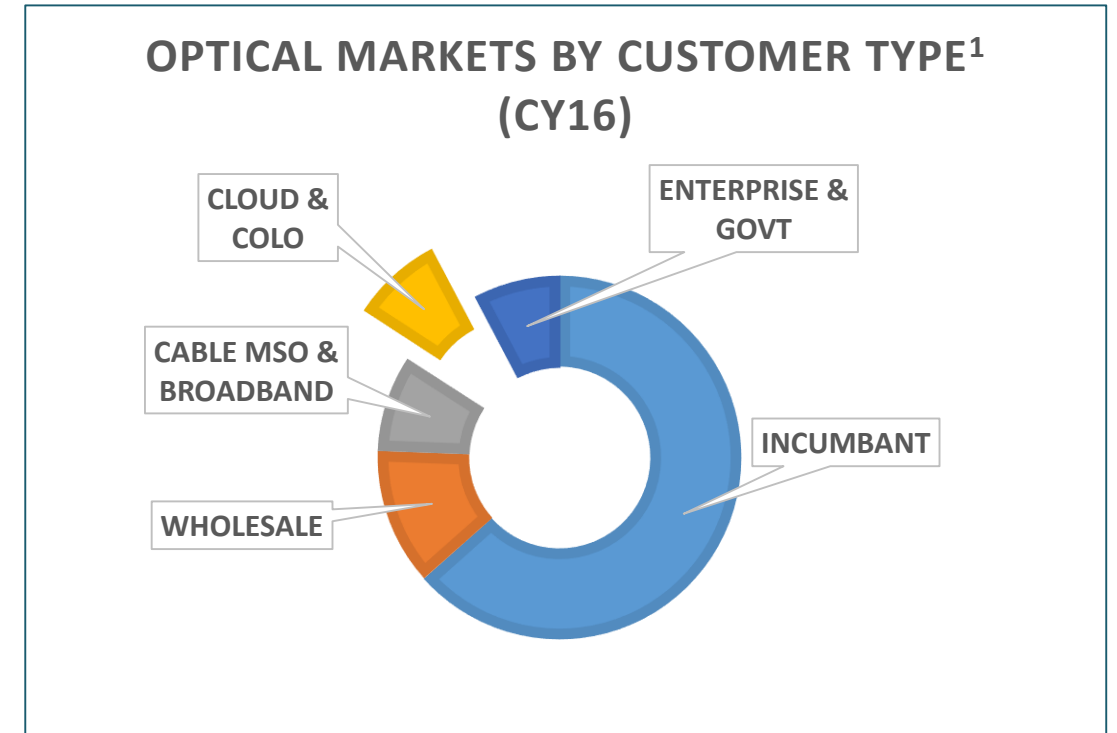
# Doubling Fiber Capacity (C+L)

- Increasing interest in C+L band networks
  - Fiber exhaust in both submarine and terrestrial networks
  - Cost to deploy new fiber (if possible) is often high compared to the cost of to expand to L-band
- Leverage existing component technology with design modifications



# Changing Market Dynamics

- Cloud and Colo
  - Currently ~10% of the optical networking market
  - Shorter lifecycles than carrier networks
- Innovation cycles are shortened
  - Network disaggregation allows greater flexibility to adopt new technology
  - Network build-outs driven by new switch technology that follows CMOS innovation cycle
    - Optical networks must scale with Moore's Law



How do optical interfaces keep pace?

# Why so much focus on 10% of the market?

- Cloud & Colo
  - Fastest growing market segment
  - Volume consolidated among fewer companies
    - 5 companies dominate the capex spend
  - Early adopters of new technology
  - Adoption of datacenter architectures and commercial models by traditional carriers and MSO's





# Disaggregation and Integration Trends

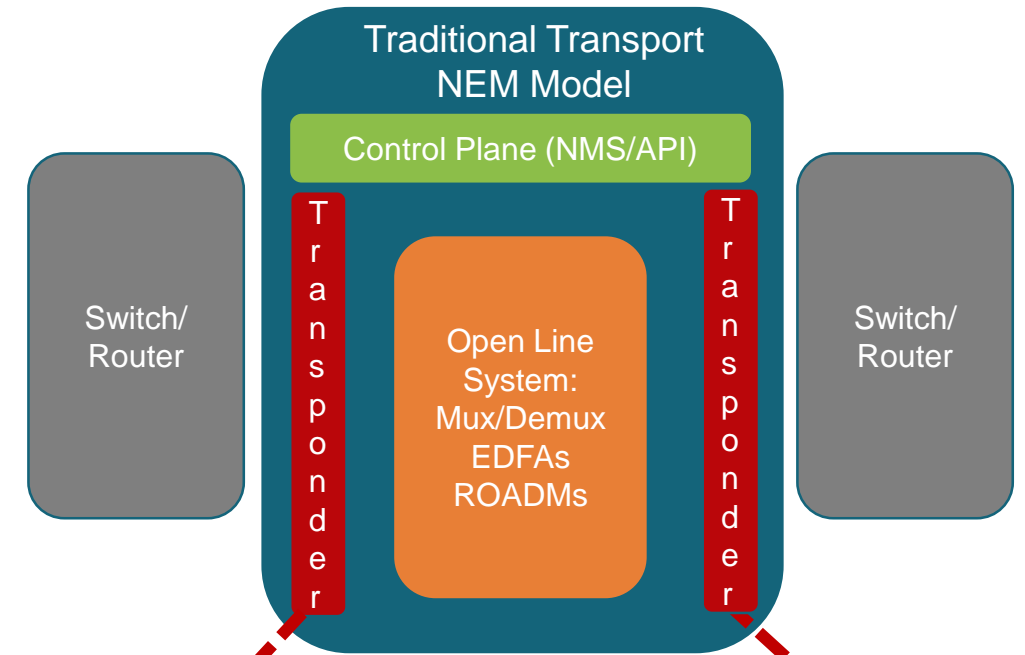
## Network elements are being disaggregated

Allow key elements to be specified and sourced individually

- **Control Plane**
- **Open Line System**
- **Transponder**

## Transponders are being integrated

Component integration within transponders enables smaller footprints with lower power and cost



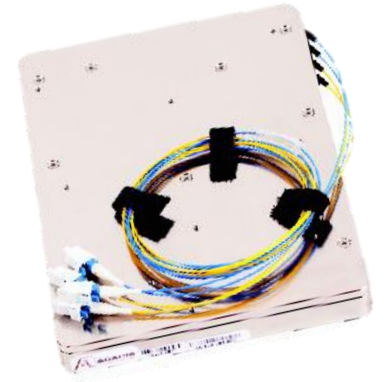
*“Disaggregation at the data center level. Integration on the component level.”*

- Brad Booth, Microsoft <sup>1</sup>



# Fast Ramps and Shorter Life-Cycles

- Early adoption of new technology
  - Increased focus on first mover status
- Time to market is critical
  - ROI is difficult if you miss the front end of the life-cycle
  - Execution early in the life-cycle has increasing impact on share
- Modular designs with proven host interfaces can accelerate product availability and ramp
- Increasing focus on SDK to reduce development time





# Scaling Optical Interfaces

## Optical Integration

- Necessary to scale with switch port density
- Reduces optical packaging cost
- Enables greater automation and faster product ramps

## Electronic Processing

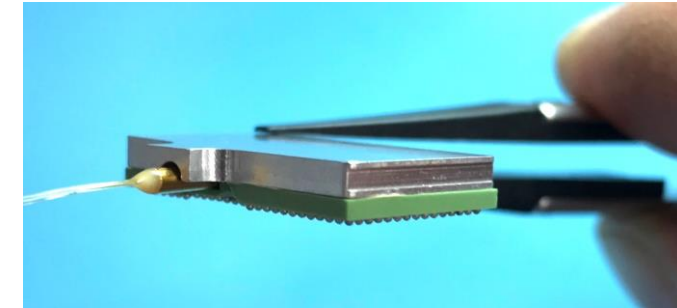
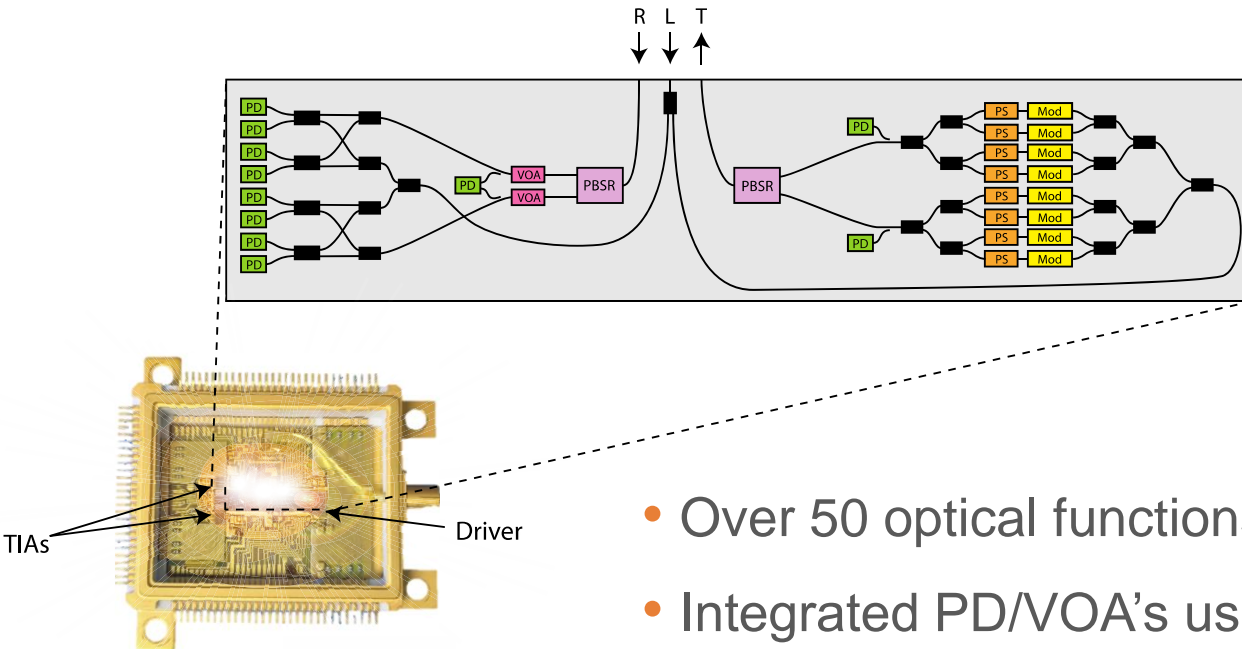
- Necessary at higher data rates to overcome bandwidth limitations and fiber impairments
- Scales at CMOS pace
- Can reduce cost/complexity of optics

## Changing Architectures

- Simplified transport networks
  - Disaggregation
- Partition components differently
  - On board optics or pluggable?
  - Integrated laser or separate?

Leverage all three to maintain scale

# Photonic Integration in Silicon

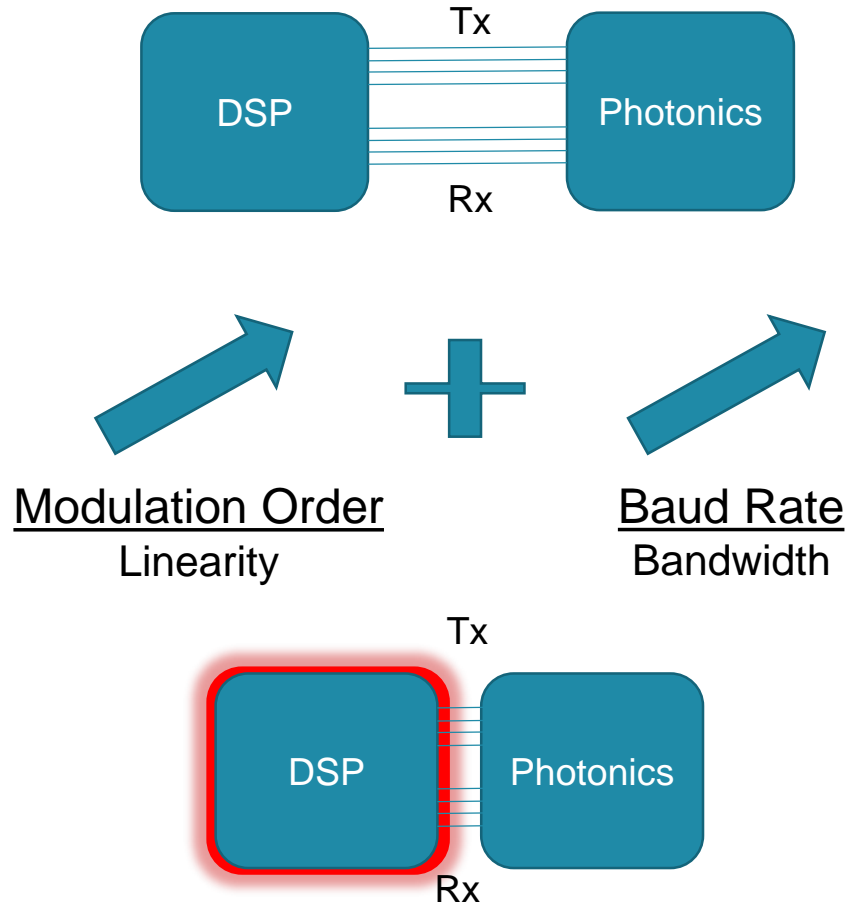


**BGA Packaging**

- Over 50 optical functions per carrier
- Integrated PD/VOA's used to optimize performance
  - Power balance between I/Q and X/Y

Silicon Photonic PIC used in all applications from DCI to Submarine

# Challenges at High Data Rates



At higher data rates, the interface between the DSP and photonics can dominate performance

Signal integrity is critical when increasing both modulation order and baud rate

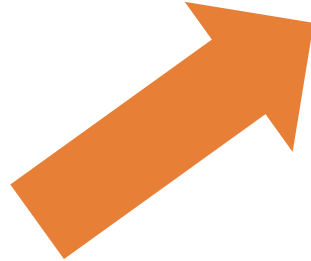
Temperature insensitive silicon photonics can be placed close to DSP

DSP interface can be customized for photonics to achieve best power and performance

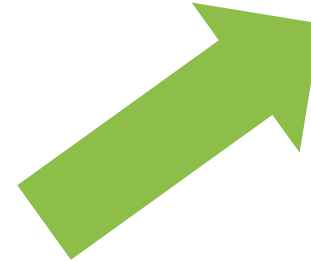
# Leveraging New CMOS Process Nodes



**Power**



**System  
Density**



**Fiber  
Capacity**

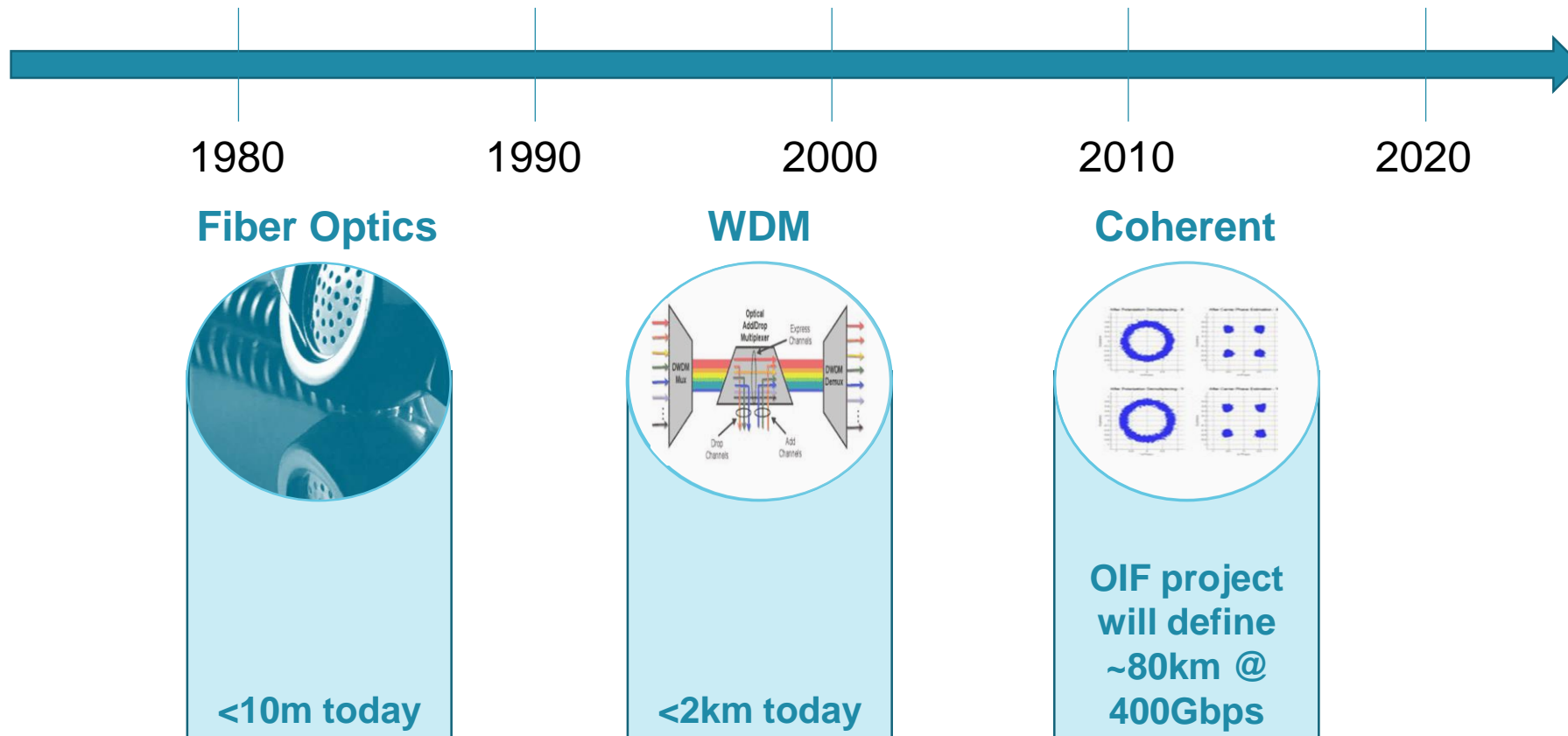


**Development  
Cost**

**High volumes necessary for return on  
investment (ROI)**

# Coherent Migration to Shorter Interconnects

New technologies that are introduced in long haul are later adopted for shorter reaches as data rates increase



# Coherent Interoperability Standardization

OIF	IEEE	CableLabs	ITU
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Data Center Interconnect</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Beyond 10km Study Group</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Access Networks</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Carrier Metro</li></ul>

Similar link requirements (<120km)

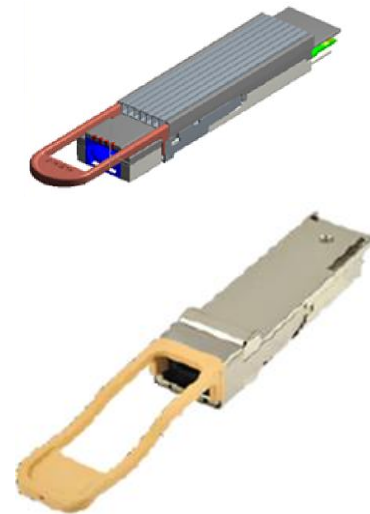
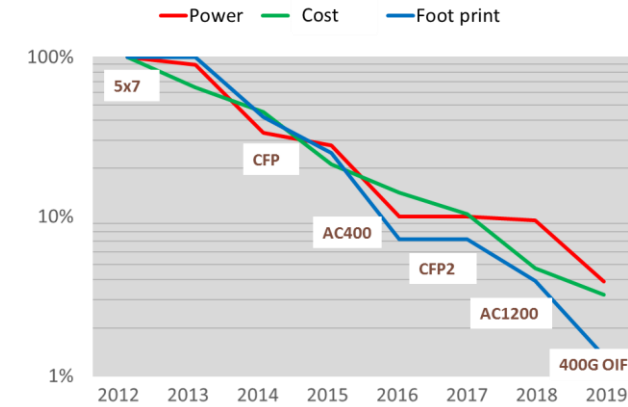
Common component technology



# Pluggable Coherent 400G

- Targeting “client” form factors
- Coherent power/bit has reduced at ~40%/year
  - Smaller CMOS technology nodes
  - Increased bits/symbol
  - Optimization for shorter reach interfaces
    - LH → Metro → DCI
- <15W module power target based on 7nm process
  - OSFP, QSFP-DD, or COBO form factors
  - Single  $\lambda$  application may be lower
    - Fixed Laser
    - Reduce CD compensation

Evolution in Power, Cost and Density per 100G



# Conclusions

- Demand for optical bandwidth continues to grow
  - Driven by end user demand for mobile, video, and cloud services
  - Sustained by healthy business models at end customers
- Cloud and content provider demand growing faster than the rest of the market
  - Driving network disaggregation and shorter life-cycles
  - Traditional service providers adapting to new models
- Need to leverage both optical and electrical integration to maintain pace
- Coherent technology expanding toward shorter reach applications and standardization