

# Computer Networking: Recent Advances, Trends, and Issues



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- ❑ Traffic vs Capacity
- ❑ Trend: Everything over IP
- ❑ Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)
- ❑ Trend: Ethernet Everywhere
- ❑ Optical Networking

# Future

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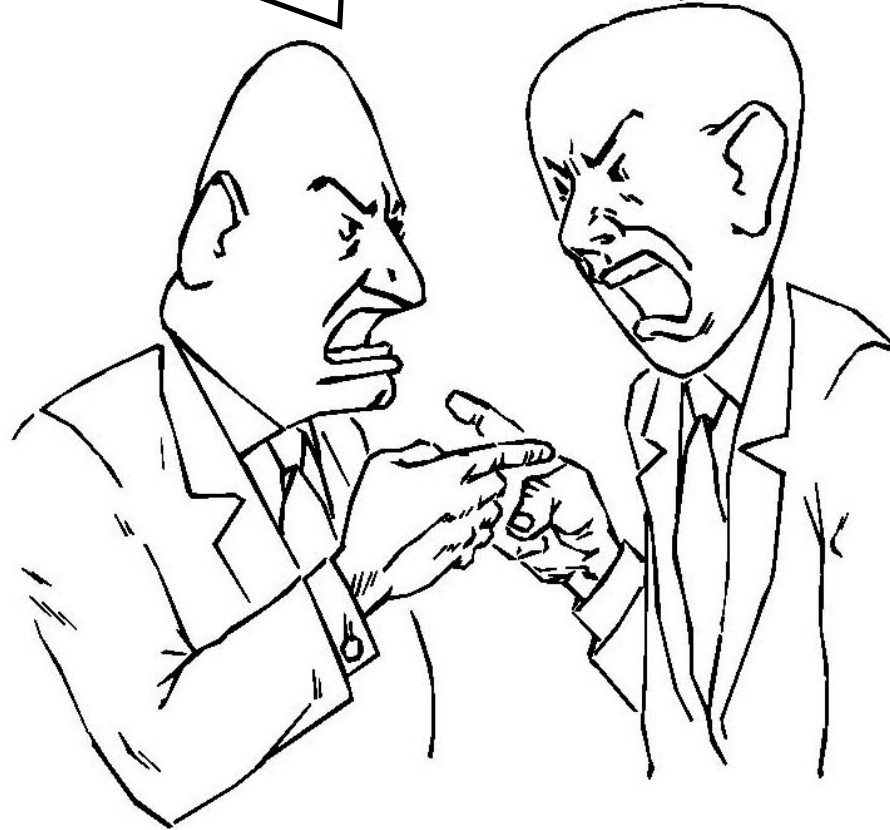
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All I want you to tell me is what will be the networking  
technology in the year 2002.

# Glut-sters vs Gap-sters

Traffic is not growing

Not enough capacity



# Trend: Traffic > Capacity



## Expensive Bandwidth

- Sharing
- Multicast
- Virtual Private Networks
- Need QoS
- Likely in WANs

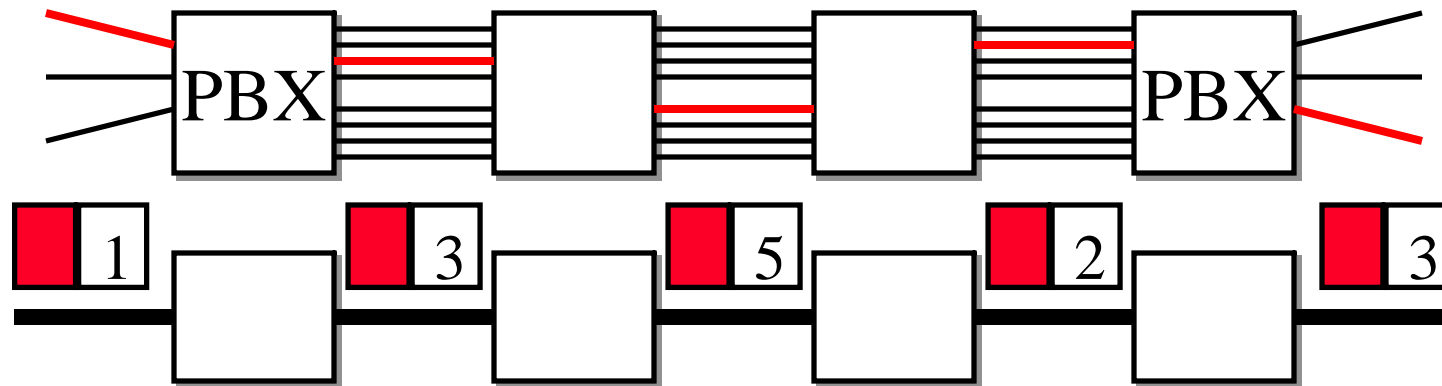
## Cheap Bandwidth

- No sharing
- Unicast
- Private Networks
- QoS less of an issue
- Possible in LANs

# Trend: Everything over IP

- ❑ Data over IP  $\Rightarrow$  IP needs Traffic engineering
- ❑ Voice over IP  $\Rightarrow$  Quality of Service, Signaling, virtual circuits (MPLS)
- ❑ Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) is the center of action. [www.ietf.org](http://www.ietf.org)

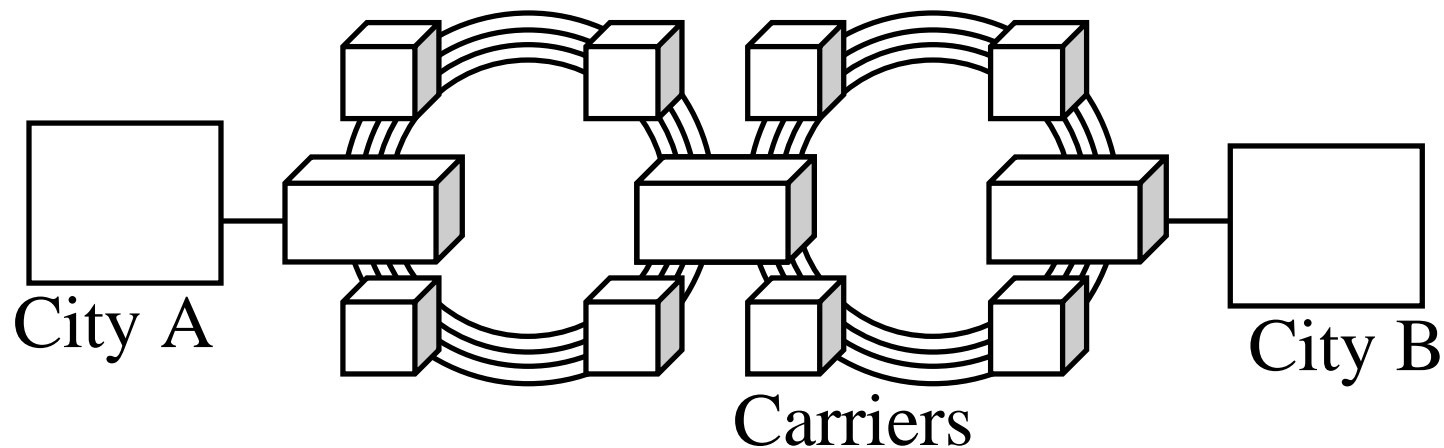
# Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS)



- ❑ Allows circuits in IP Networks (May 1996)
- ❑ Each packet has a circuit number or label
- ❑ Circuit number determines the packet's queuing and forwarding
- ❑ Circuits have to be set up before use
- ❑ Circuits are called Label Switched Paths (LSPs)

# SONET

- ❑ Synchronous optical network
- ❑ Also known as Synchronous Digital Hierarchy (SDH)
- ❑  $OC-n = n \times 51$  Mbps,  $OC-48=2.5G$ ,  $OC-192=10G$
- ❑ You can lease a SONET connection from carriers
- ❑ Ring topology common





# Trend: Ethernet Everywhere

- ❑ Ethernet vs SONET in Metro:
  - 10 G Ethernet
  - Survivability, Restoration  $\Rightarrow$  Ring Topology
- ❑ Ethernet in Access: EFM
- ❑ Ethernet vs phone network in homes:  
Power over Ethernet

# 10 G Ethernet

- ❑ Two versions: LAN (10 Gbps), WAN (9.5 Gbps)
- ❑ Point-to-point full duplex only
- ❑ Several different physical layer designs for different distances
- ❑ 9.5 Gbps WAN version compatible with SONET in data rate but incompatible in clock jitter

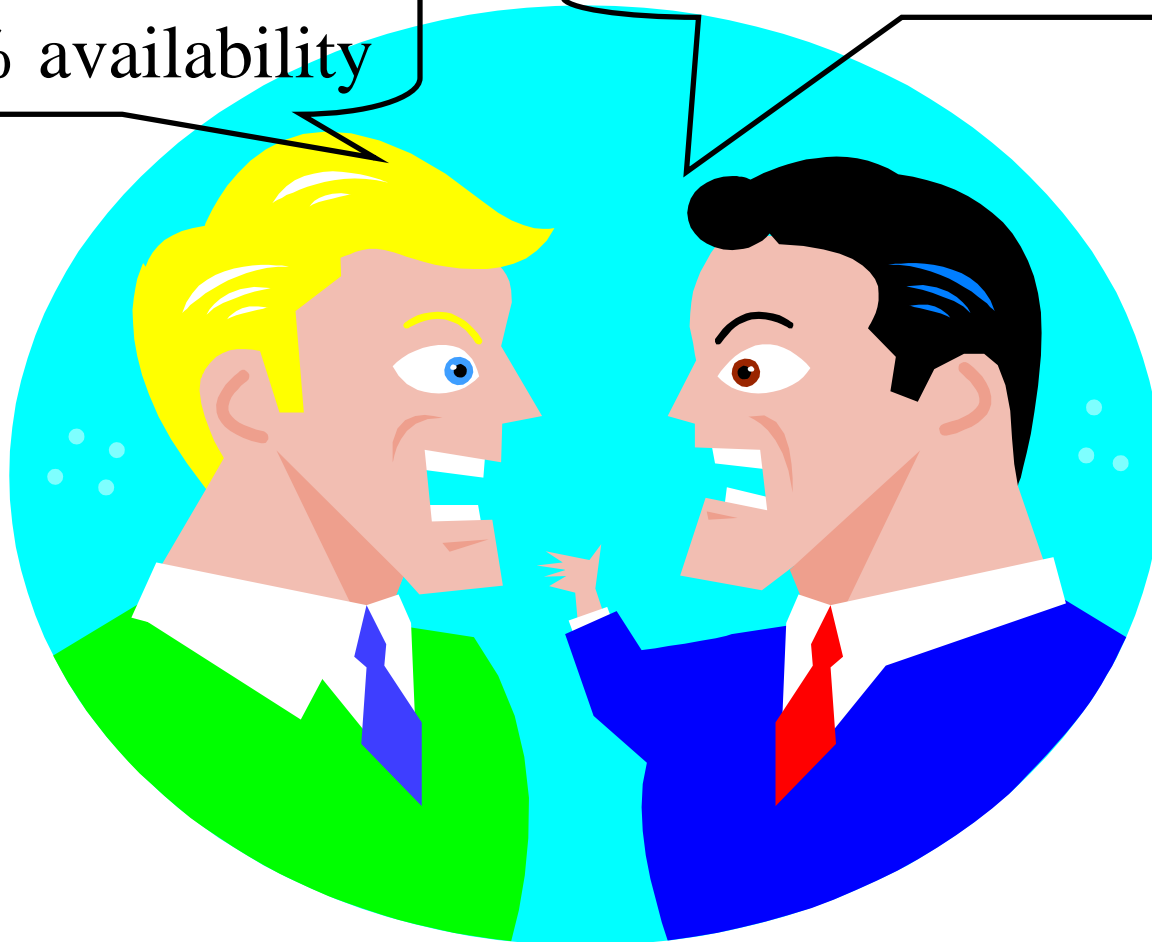
# Future Possibilities

- ❑ 40 Gbps
- ❑ 100 Gbps:
  - $16\lambda \times 6.25$  Gbps
  - $8\lambda \times 12.5$  Gbps
  - $4\lambda \times 12.5$  using PAM-5
- ❑ 160 Gbps
- ❑ 1 Tbps:
  - 12 fibers with  $16\lambda \times 6.25$  Gbps
  - 12 fibers with  $8\lambda \times 12.5$  Gbps
- ❑ 70% of 802.3ae members voted to start 40G in 2002

# Ethernet vs Sonet

I need Sonet for  
99.999% availability

Ethernet can do that too

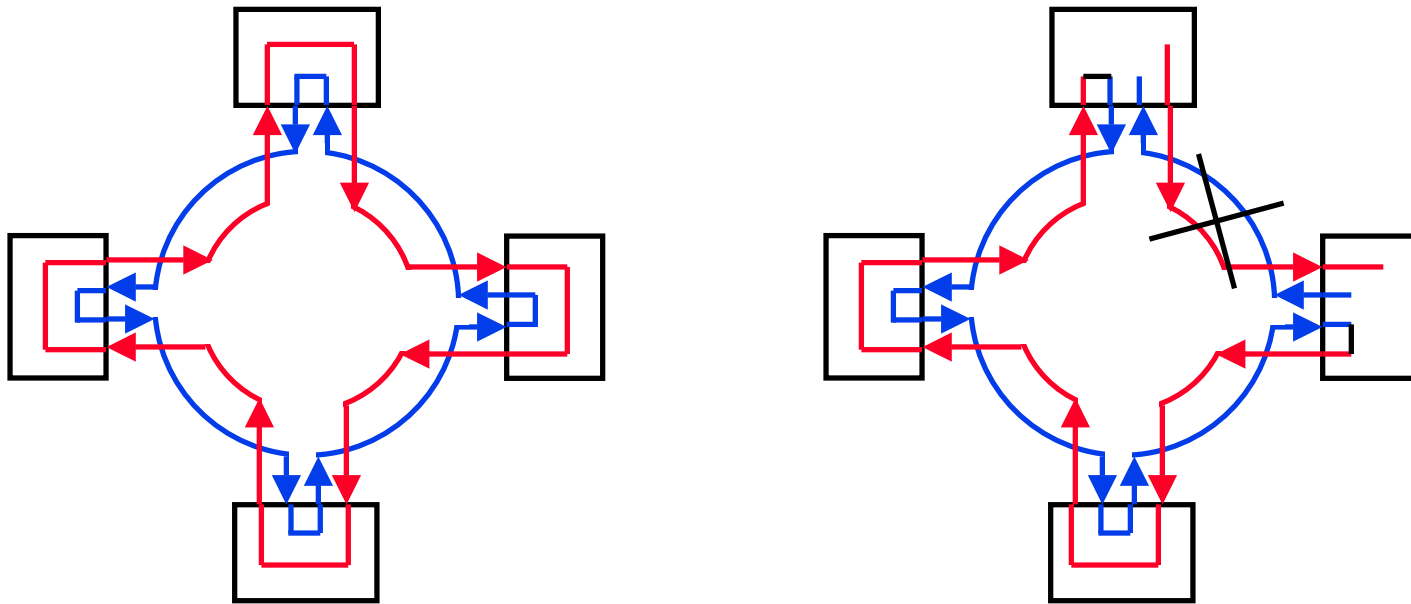


# Networking and Religion



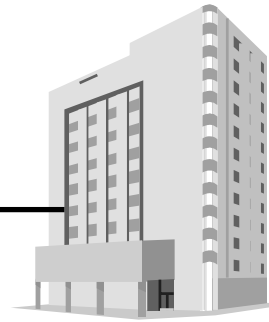
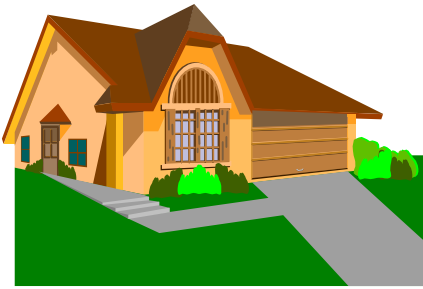
Both are based on a set of beliefs

# Resilient Packet Rings



- ❑ Dual Counter-rotating rings help protect against failure
- ❑ Used in SONET and FDDI
- ❑ Need to bring these concepts to Ethernet and IP

# Ethernet in the First Mile



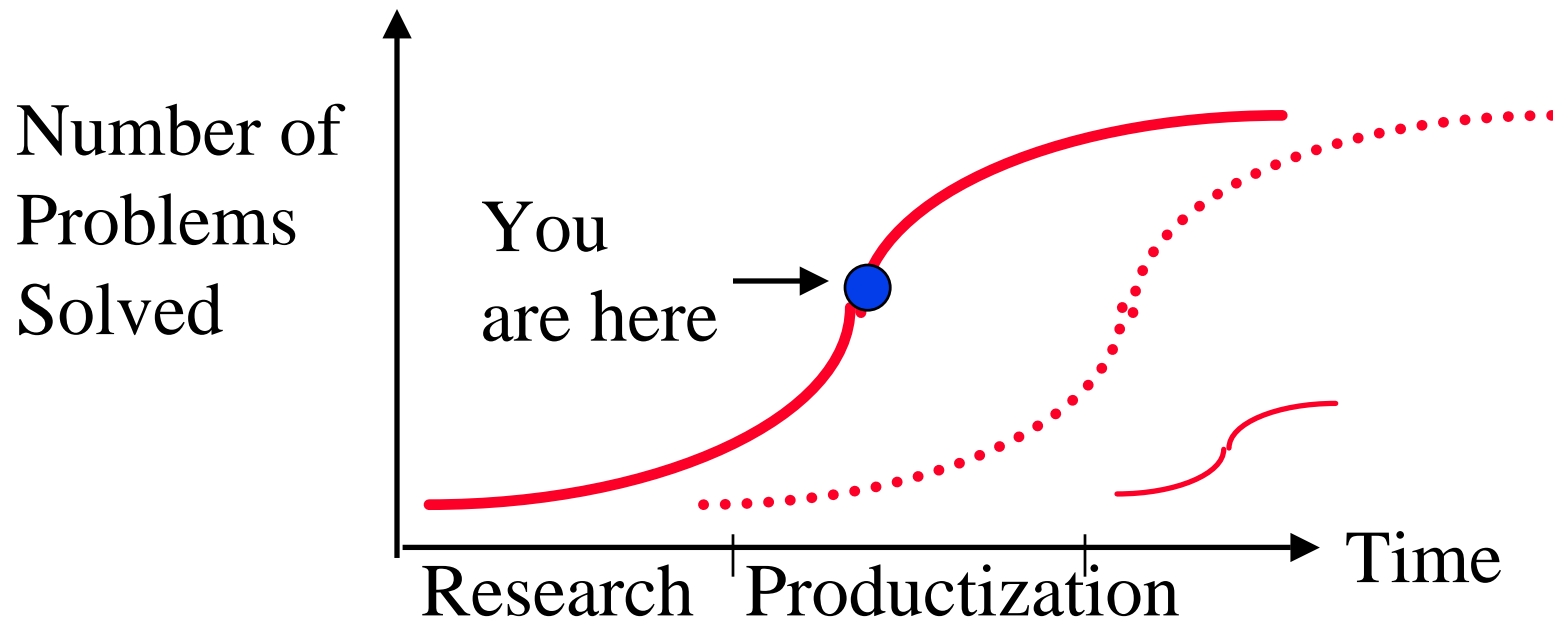
- ❑ IEEE 802.3 Study Group started November 2000
- ❑ Originally called Ethernet in the Last Mile
- ❑ Current Technologies: ISDN, xDSL, Cable Modem, Satellite, Wireless
- ❑ EFM Goals: Media: Phone wire, Fiber, Air
  - Speed: 125 kbps to 1 Gbps
  - Distance: 1500 ft, 18000 ft, 1 km - 40 km
- ❑ Ref: <http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/index.htm>

# Power over Ethernet

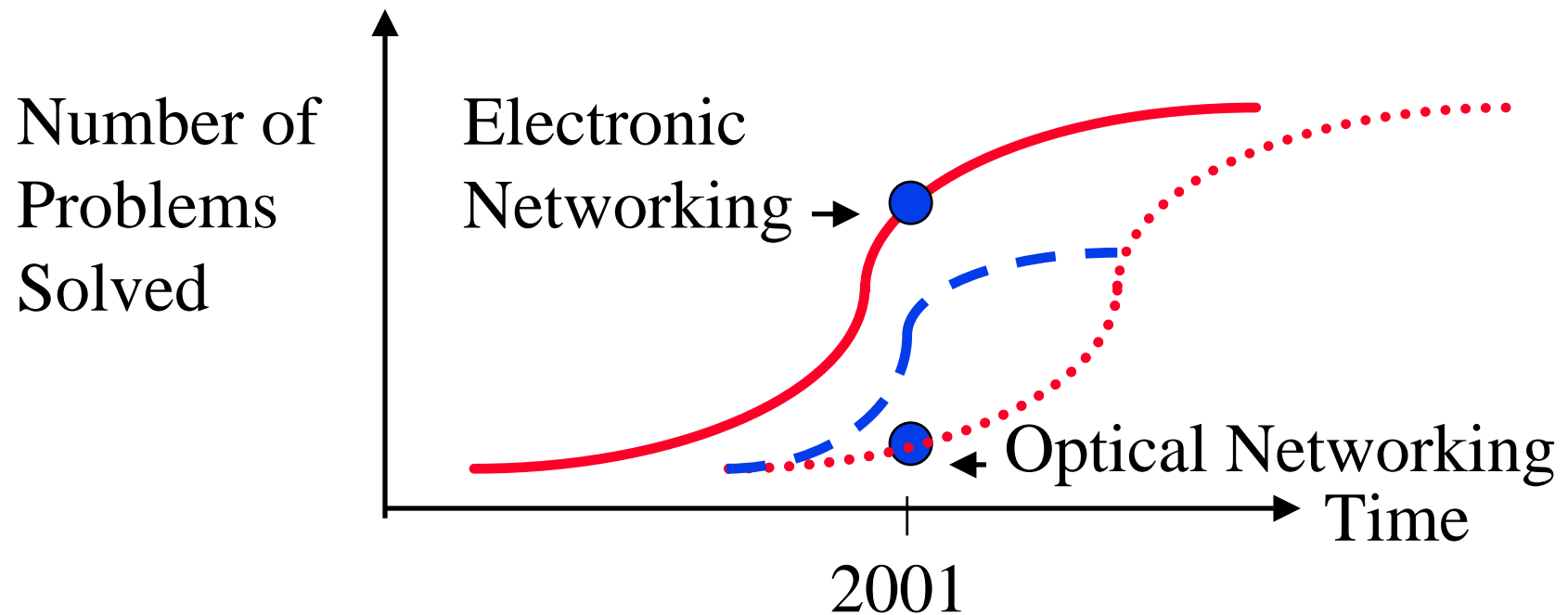
- ❑ IEEE 802.3af group approved 30 January 2000  
Power over MDI (Media Dependent Interface)
- ❑ Applications: Web Cams, PDAs, Intercoms, Ethernet Telephones, Wireless LAN Access points, Fire Alarms, Remote Monitoring, Remote entry
- ❑ Power over TP to a single Ethernet device:  
10BASE-T, 100BASE-TX, 1000BASE-T (TBD)
- ❑ Interoperate with legacy RJ-45 Ethernet devices
- ❑ Standard Expected: November 2002
- ❑ Ref:  
[http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/3/power\\_study/public/nov99/802.3af\\_PAR.pdf](http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/3/power_study/public/nov99/802.3af_PAR.pdf)



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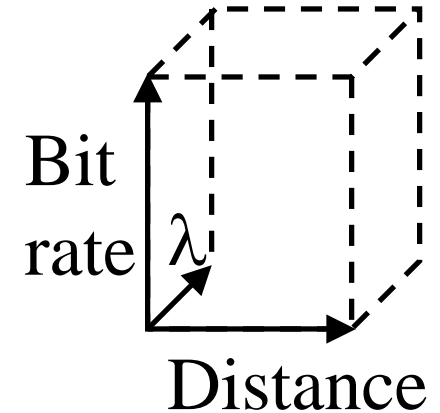


# Recent DWDM Records

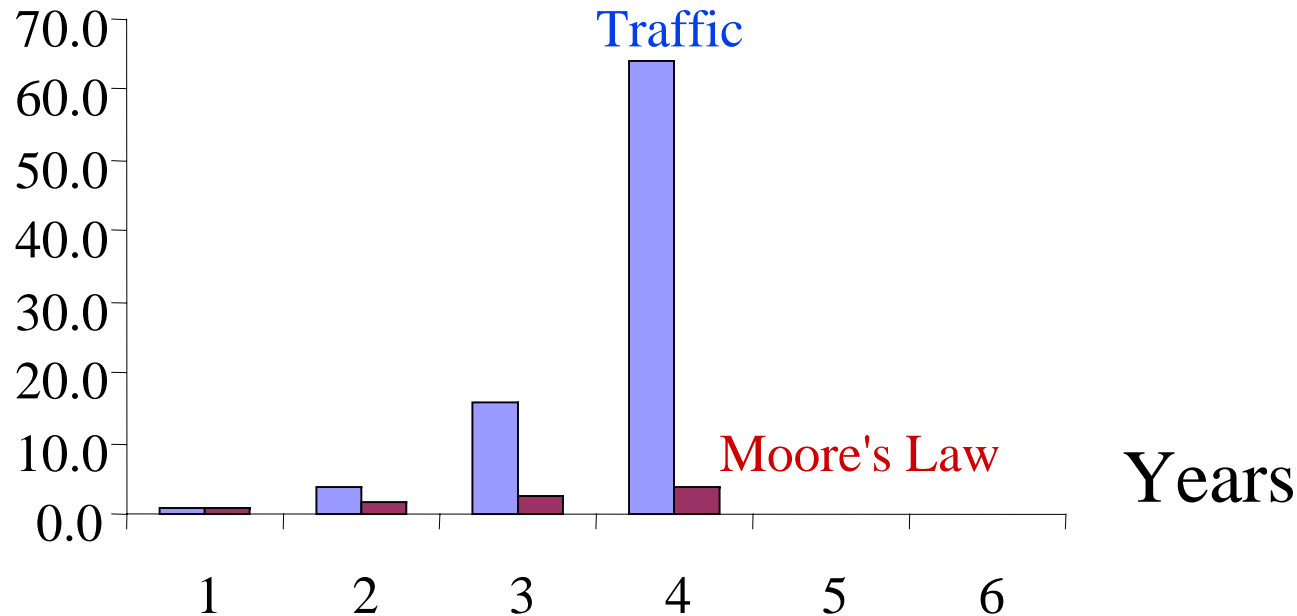
- $32\lambda \times$  5 Gbps to 9300 km (1998)
- $16\lambda \times$  10 Gbps to 6000 km (NTT'96)
- $160\lambda \times$  20 Gbps (NEC'00)
- $128\lambda \times$  40 Gbps to 300 km (Alcatel'00)
- $32\lambda \times$  40 Gbps to 2400 km (Alcatel'01)
- $19\lambda \times$  160 Gbps (NTT'99)
- $7\lambda \times$  200 Gbps (NTT'97)
- $1\lambda \times$  1200 Gbps to 70 km using TDM (NTT'00)
- 1022 Wavelengths on one fiber (Lucent'99)

Potential: 58 THz = 50 Tbps on 10,000  $\lambda$ 's

Ref: IEEE J. on Selected Topics in Quantum Electronics, 11/2000.

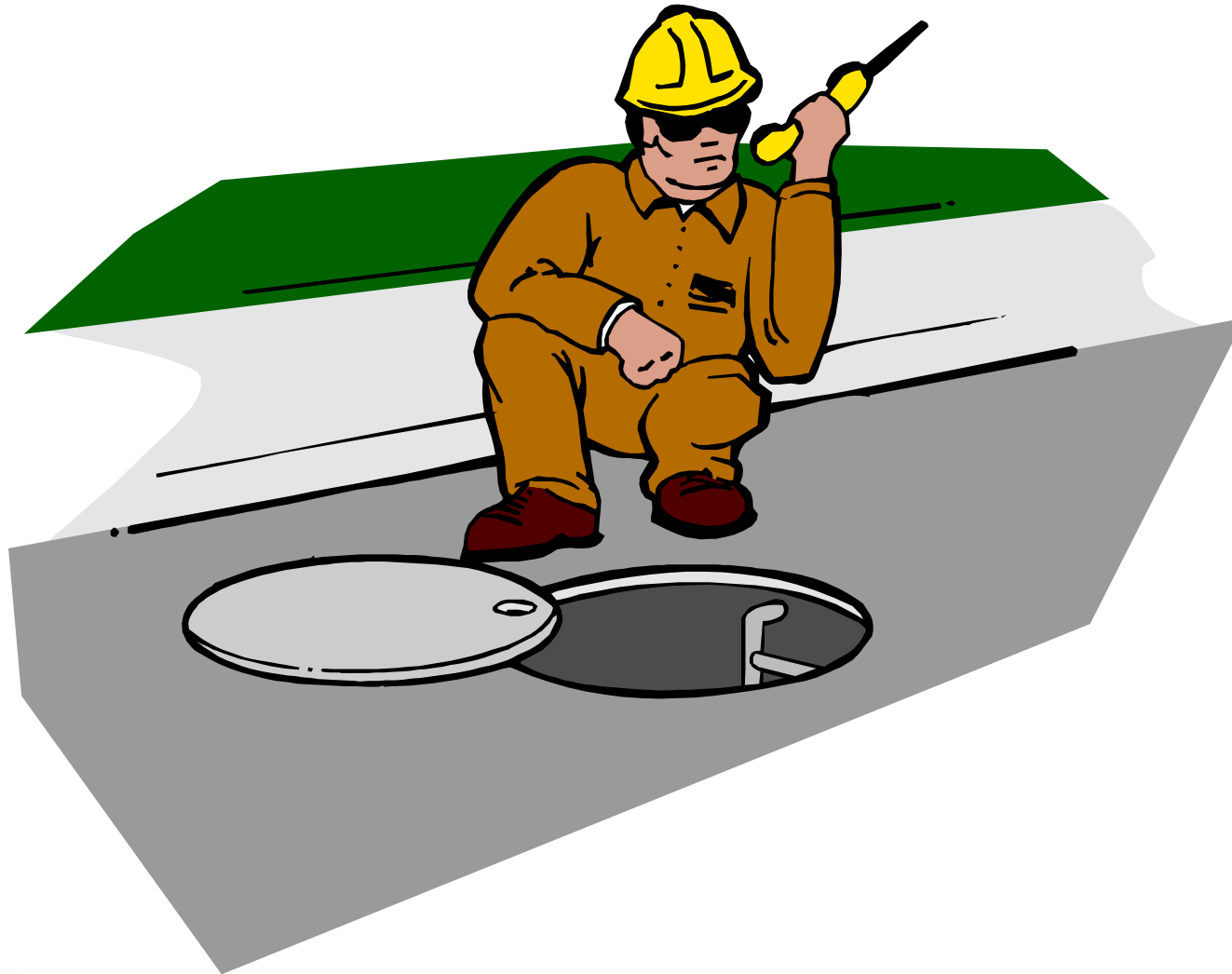


# Moore's Law is Too Slow



- ❑ Moore's Law: Factor of 2 every 1.5 years  
⇒ 60%/year
- ❑ Internet Traffic: Factor of 4 per year  
⇒ Need Optical Switching

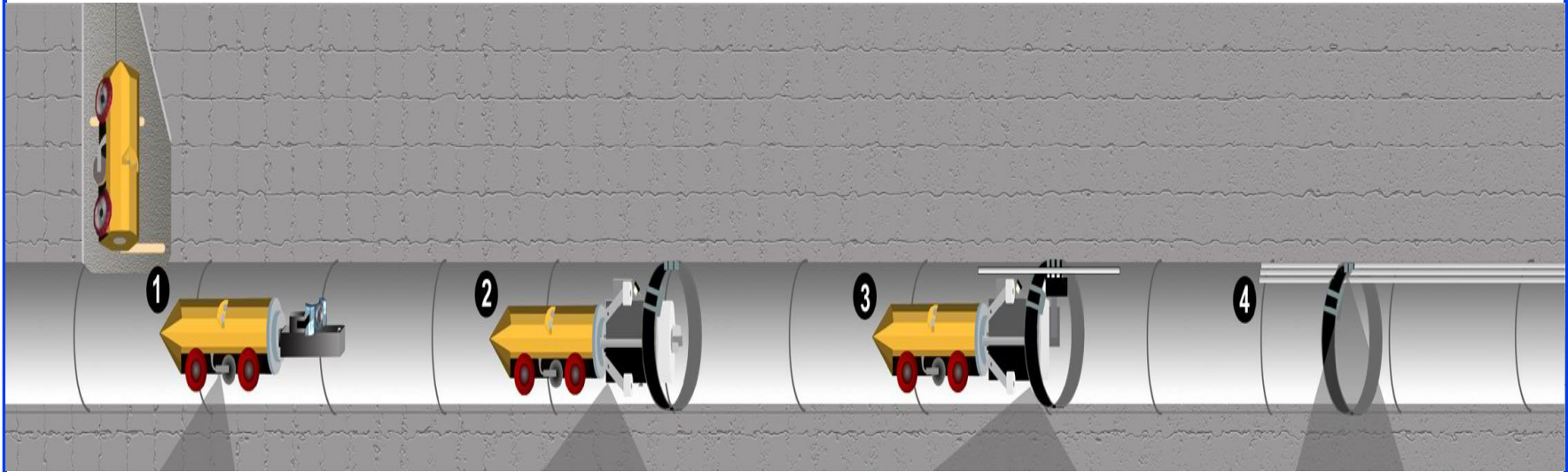
# Sewer Networking



# Fiber Access Thru Sewer Tubes (FAST)

- ❑ Right of ways is difficult in dense urban areas
- ❑ Sewer Network: Completely connected system of pipes connecting every home and office
- ❑ Municipal Governments find it easier and more profitable to let you use sewer than dig street
- ❑ Installed in Zurich, Omaha, Albuquerque, Indianapolis, Vienna, Ft Worth, Scottsdale, ...
- ❑ Corrosion resistant inner ducts containing up to 216 fibers are mounted within sewer pipe using a robot called Sewer Access Module (SAM)
- ❑ Ref: <http://www.citynettelecom.com>, NFOEC 2001, pp. 331

# FAST Installation



1. Robots map the pipe
2. Install rings
3. Install ducts
4. Thread fibers

Fast Restoration: Broken sewer pipes replaced with minimal disruption



# Summary

- ❑ Traffic growth is more than capacity leading to need for QoS and Traffic Engineering in WAN
  - ❑ EFM and Power over MDI will allow Ethernet everywhere
  - ❑ Resilient packet rings to increase availability of Ethernet
  - ❑ MPLS allows packets to be switched based on tags (circuit numbers)
  - ❑ Traffic growth is faster than Morse Law
- ⇒ Need Optical networking





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- ❑ Detailed references in [http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/~jain/refs/hot\\_refs.htm](http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/~jain/refs/hot_refs.htm)
- ❑ Recommended books on networking, [http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/~jain/refs/hot\\_book.htm](http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/~jain/refs/hot_book.htm)
- ❑ Search <http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/~jain>

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