

DWDM-RAM: DARPA-Sponsored Research for Data Intensive Service-on-Demand Optical Networks

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Challenge: Emerging data intensive applications require:

Extremely high performance, long term data flows
Scalability for data volume and global reach
Adjustability to unpredictable traffic behavior
Integration with multiple Grid resources

Response: DWDM-RAM - An architecture for data intensive
Grids enabled by next generation dynamic optical networks,
incorporating new methods for lightpath provisioning





DWDM-RAM: An architecture designed to meet the networking challenges of extremely large scale Grid applications. Traditional network infrastructure cannot meet these demands, especially, requirements for intensive data flows

DWDM-RAM Components Include:

Data management services
Intelligent middleware
Dynamic lightpath provisioning
State-of-the-art photonic technologies
Wide-area photonic testbed implementation





Data Management Services

OGSA/OGSI compliant

Capable of receiving and understanding application requests

Has complete knowledge of network resources

Transmits signals to intelligent middleware

Understands communications from Grid infrastructure

Adjusts to changing requirements

Understands edge resources

On-demand or scheduled processing

Supports various models for scheduling, priority setting,
event synchronization



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Intelligent Middleware for Adaptive Optical Networking

OGSA/OGSI compliant

Integrated with Globus

Receives requests from data services

Knowledgeable about Grid resources

Has complete understanding of dynamic lightpath provisioning

Communicates to optical network services layer

Can be integrated with GRAM for co-management

Architecture is flexible and extensible



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Dynamic Lightpath Provisioning Services

Optical Dynamic Intelligent Networking (ODIN)

OGSA/OGSI compliant

Receives requests from middleware services

Knowledgeable about optical network resources

Provides dynamic lightpath provisioning

Communicates to optical network protocol layer

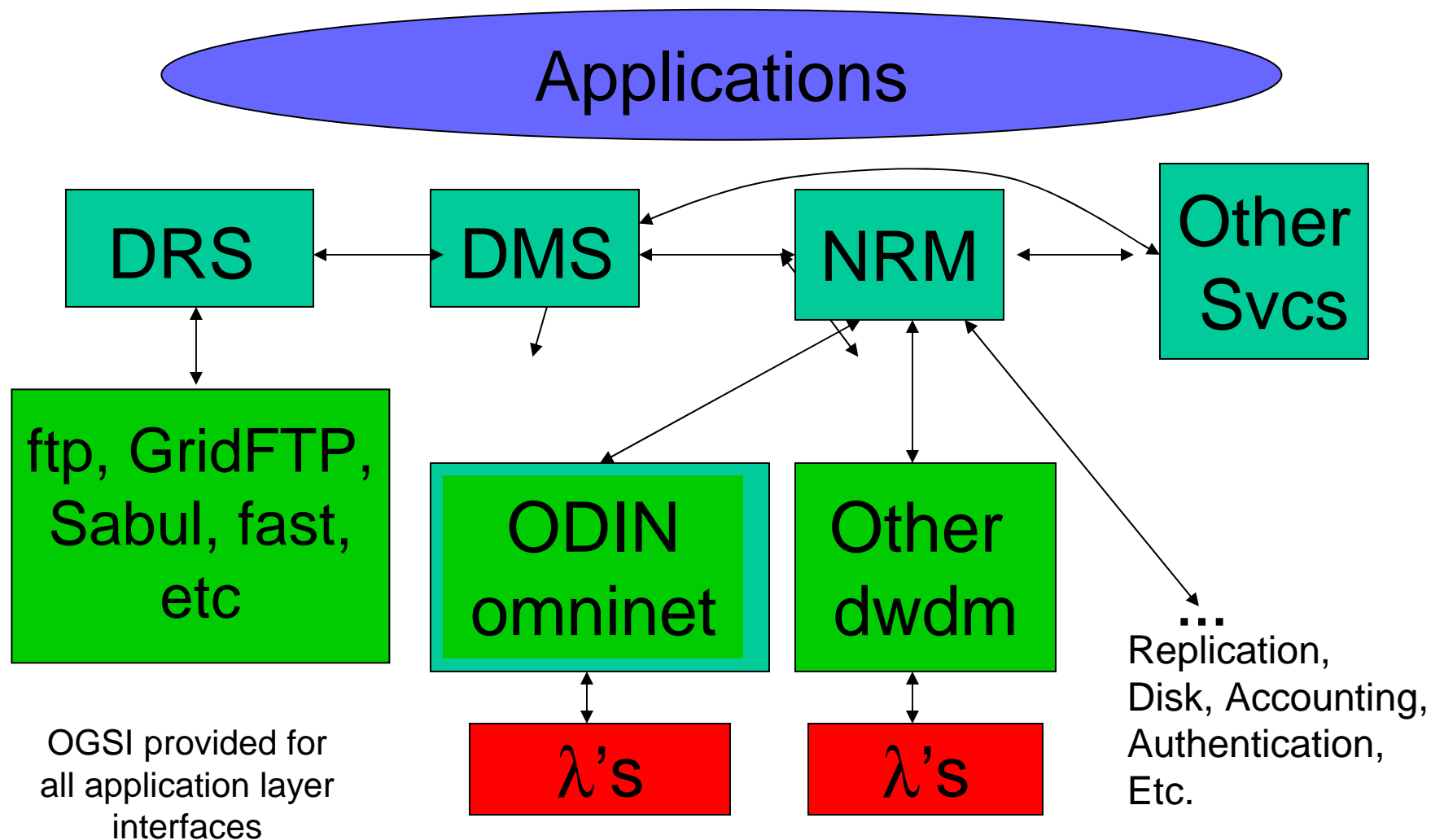
Precise wavelength control

Intradomain as well as interdomain

Contains mechanisms for extending lightpaths through

E-Paths - electronic paths

Architecture



Data Management Service



Uses standard ftp (jakarta commons ftp client)

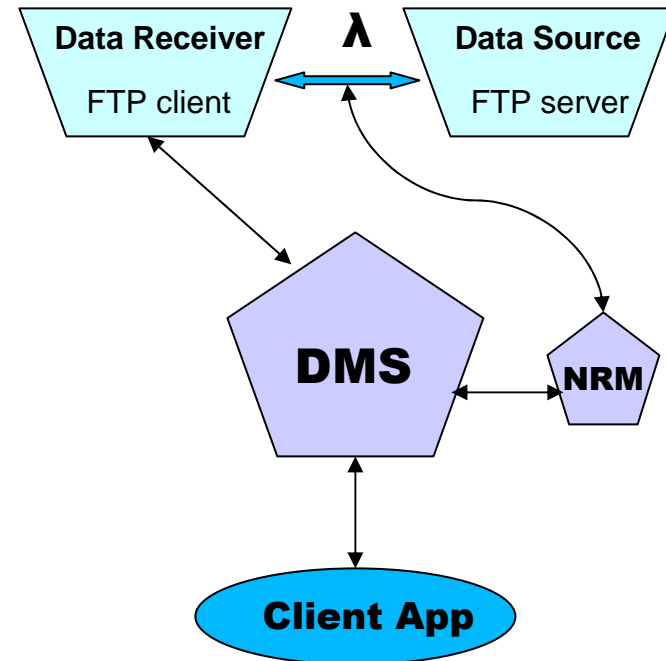
Implemented in Java

Uses OGSi calls to request network resources

Currently uses Java RMI for other remote interfaces

Uses NRM to allocate lambdas

Designed for future scheduling





Lightpath Services

Enabling High Performance Support for
Data-Intensive Services With On-Demand Lightpaths Created By
Dynamic Lambda Provisioning, Supported by Advanced Photonic
Technologies

OGSA/OGSI Compliant Service

Optical Service Layer: Optical Dynamic Intelligent Network
(ODIN) Services

Incorporates Specialized Signaling

Utilizes Provisioning Tool: IETF GMPLS

New Photonic Protocols



ODIN



Optical Dynamic Intelligent Networking Services:
An Architecture Specifically Designed to Support Large Scale,
Data Intensive, Extremely High Performance, Long-Term Flows

OGSA/OGSI Compliant Service
Dynamic Lambda Provisioning Based on DWDM
Beyond Traditional Static DWDM Provisioning
Scales to Gbps, Terabits Data Flows with
Flexible, With Fine-Grained Control

Lightpaths: Multiple Integrated Linked Lambdas, Including
One to Many and Many to One, Intradomain/Interdomain





Lightpath Provisioning Processes

Specialized Signaling

Request Characterization, Resource Characterization,
Optimization, Performance, and Survival/Protection,
Restoration, Characterization

Basic Processes Are Directed at Lightpath/ λ Management:

Create, Delete, Change, Swap, Reserve

And Related Processes:

Discover, Reserve, Bundle, Reallocate, etc.

IETF GMPLS As Wavelength Implementation Tools

Utilizes New Photonic Network Protocols



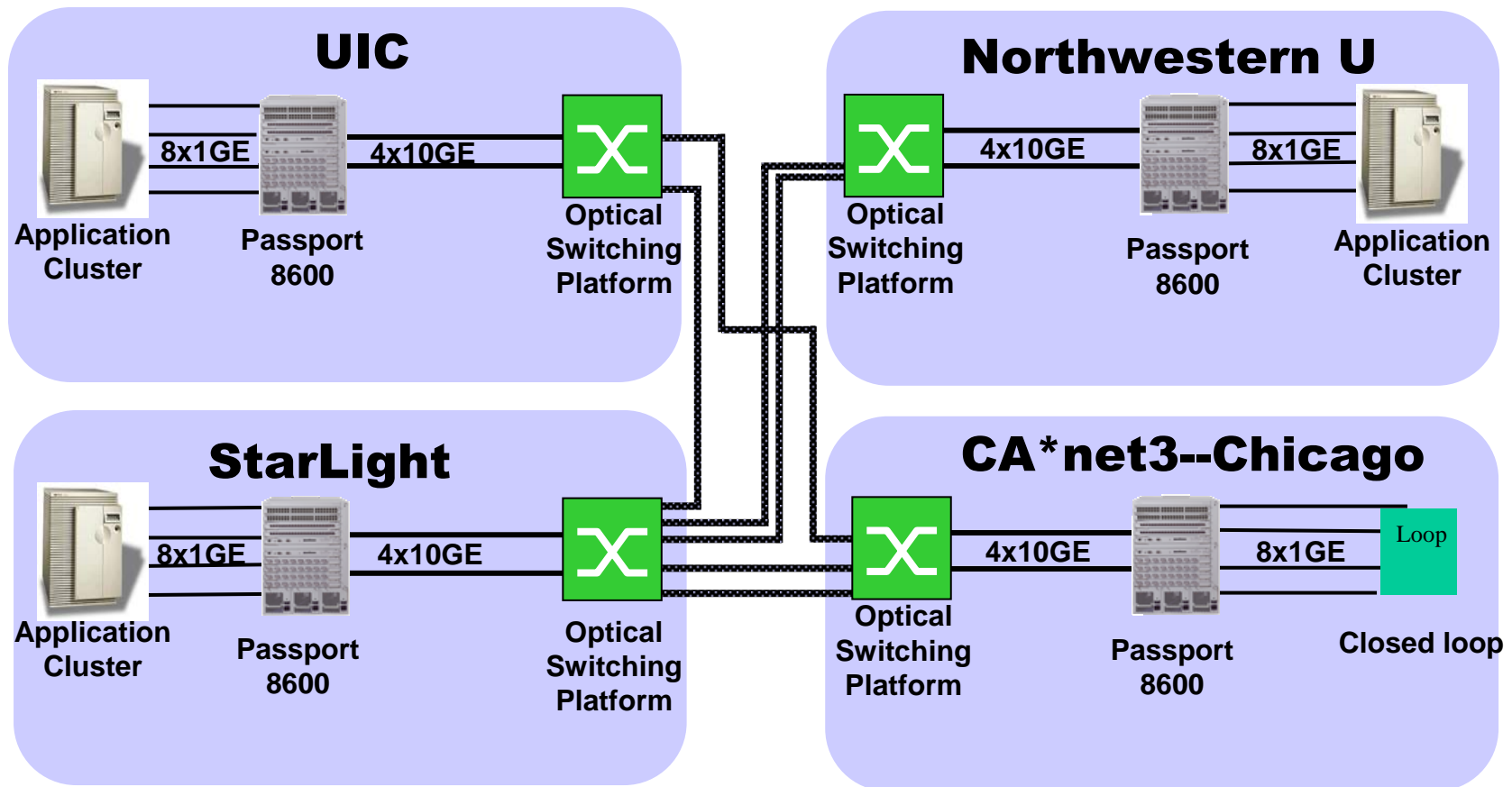
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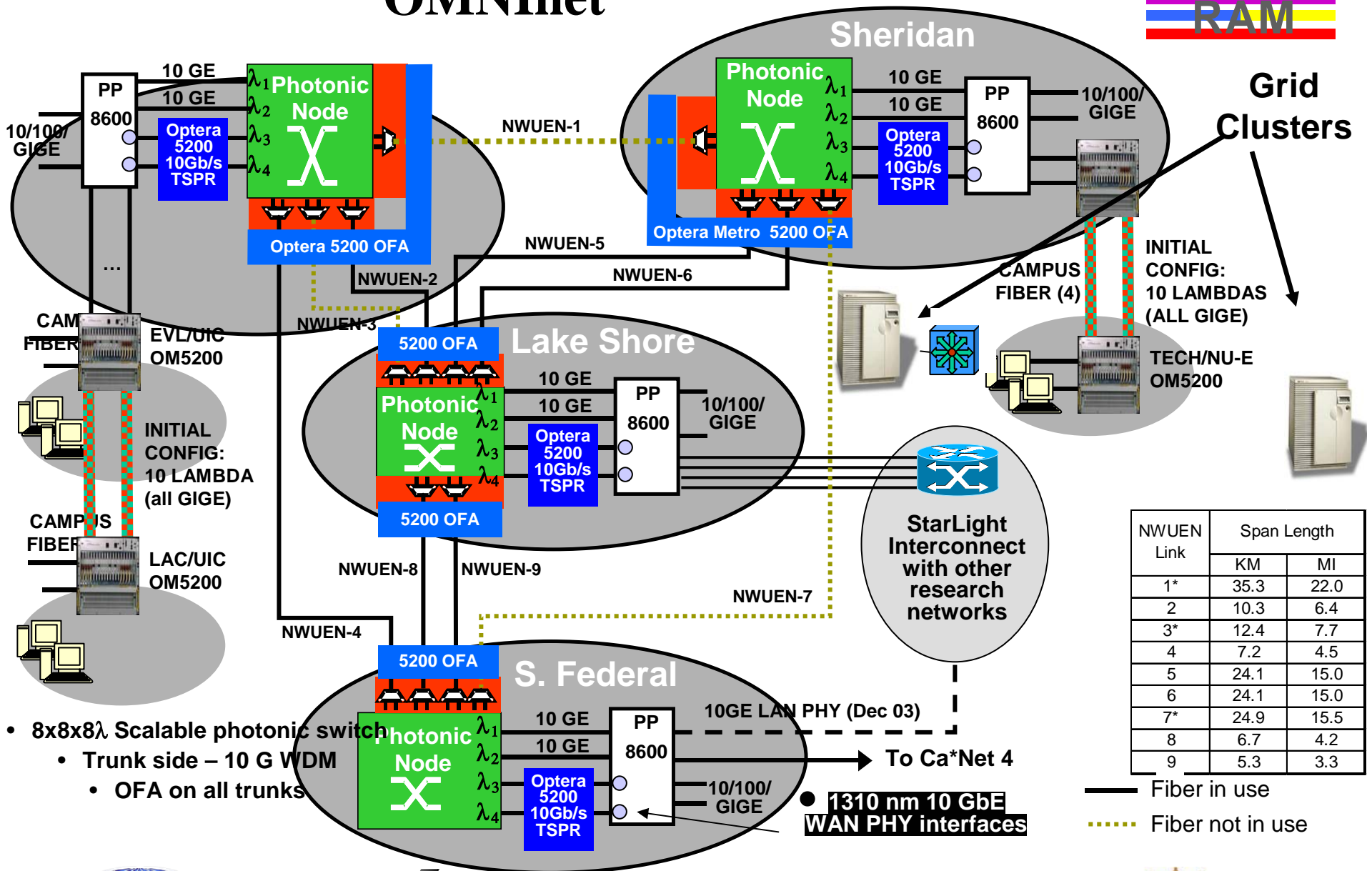
OMNInet Core Nodes



- A four-node multi-site optical metro testbed network in Chicago -- the first 10GE service trial!
- A test bed for all-optical switching and advanced high-speed services
- OMNInet testbed Partners: SBC, Nortel, iCAIR at Northwestern, EVL, CANARIE, ANL

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- 8x8x8λ Scalable photonic switch
 - Trunk side – 10 G WDM
 - OFA on all trunks



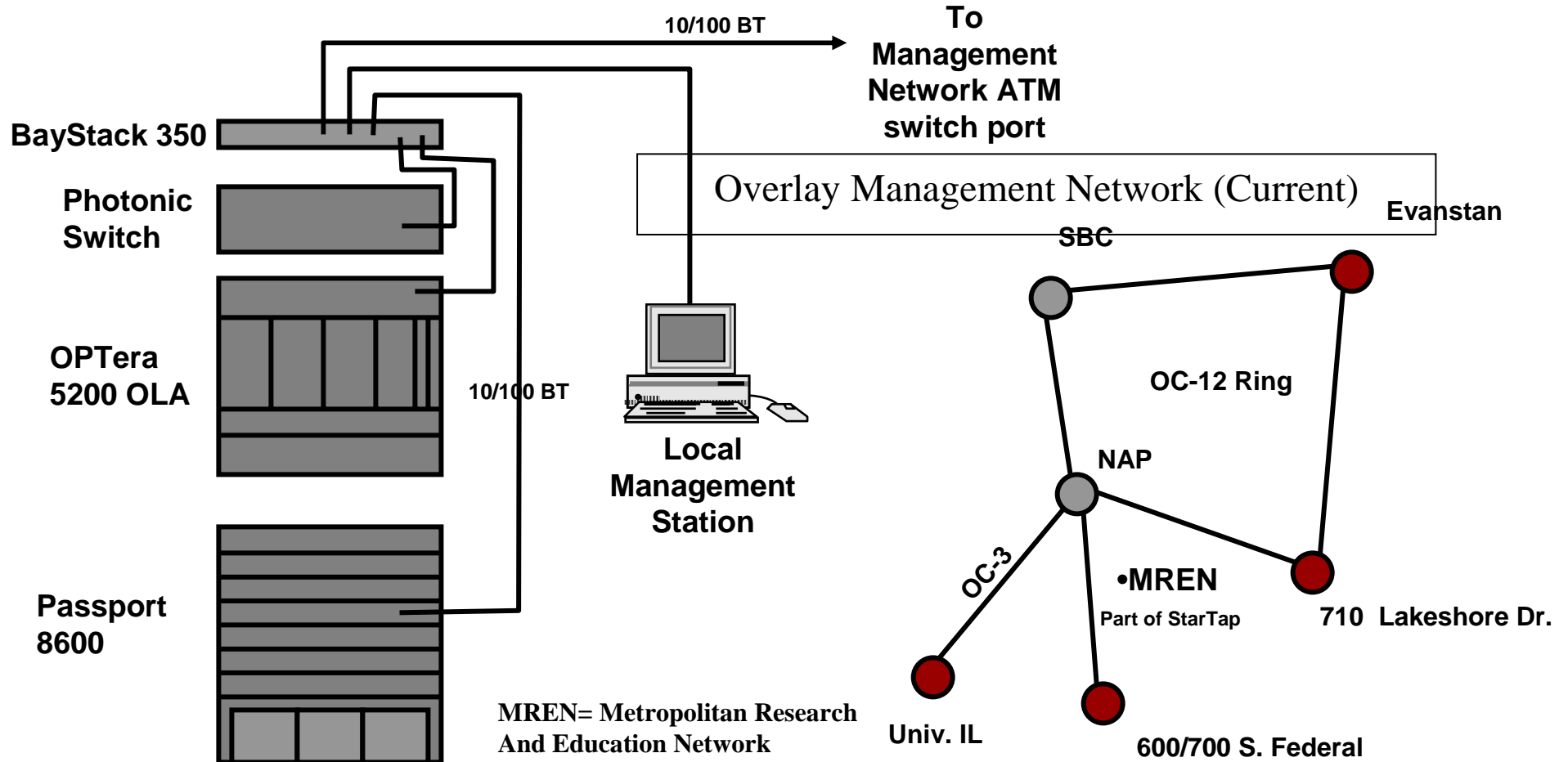
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OMNInet Control Plane Overlay Network



- Uses ATM PVC with 2 Mb/s CIR from existing network (MREN + OC12)
- Hub and spoke network from 710 Lakeshore Dr.



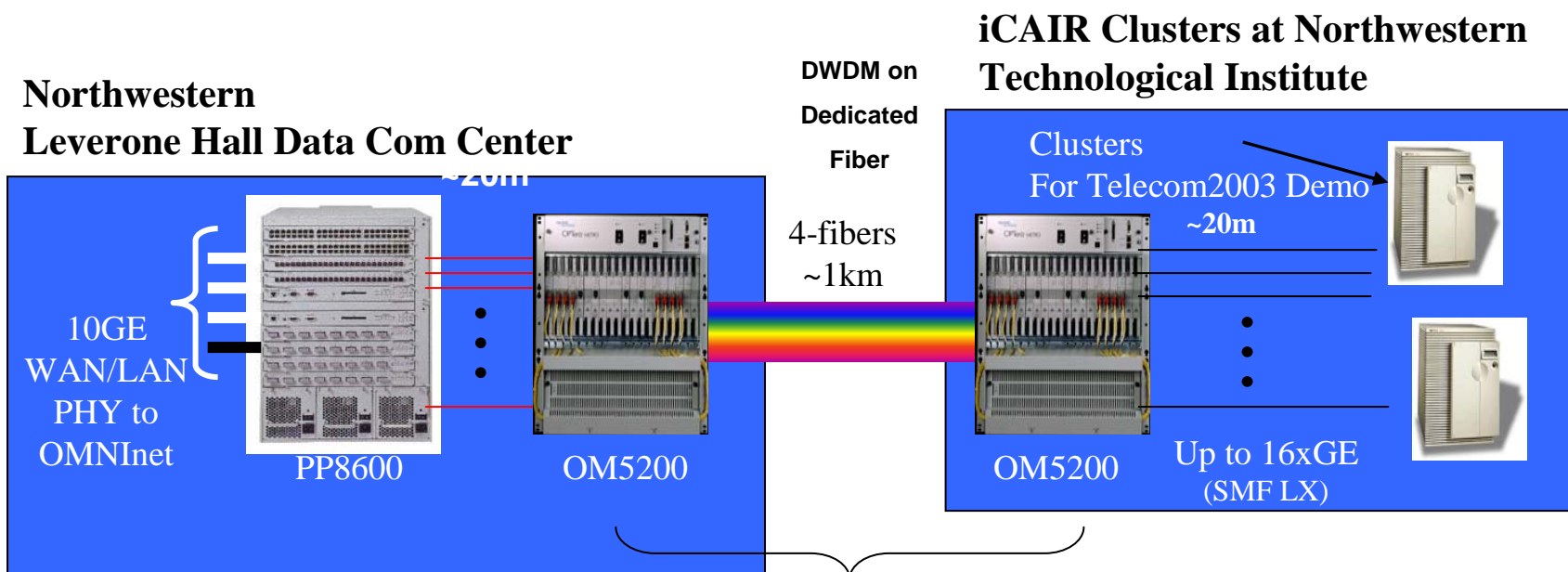
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OMNInet Optical Grid Clusters

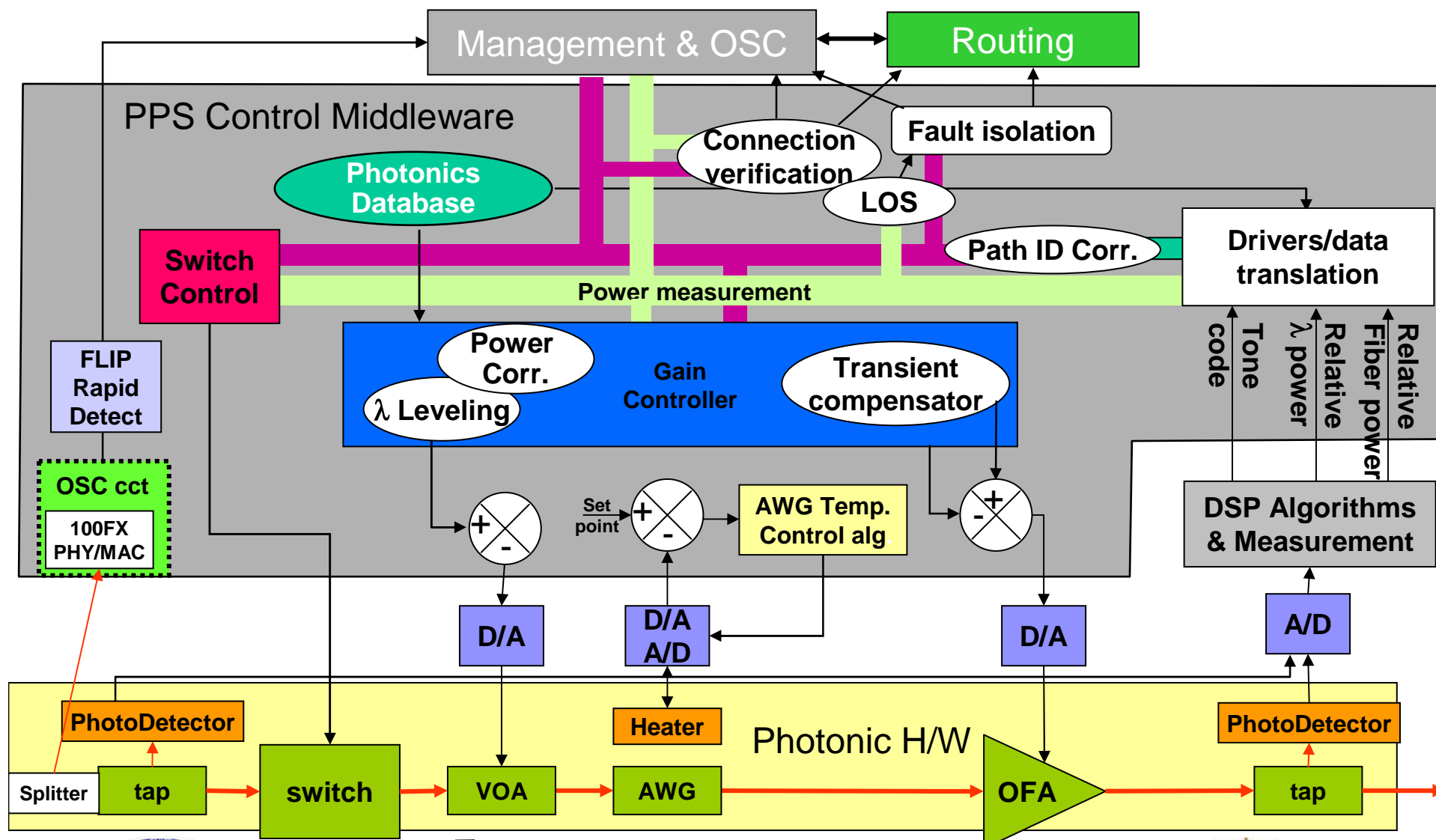


DWDM Between Cluster Site and OMNInet Core Node at iCAIR sites at Northwestern in Evanston

- The implementation is lambdas (unprotected).
- Installed shelf capacity and common equipment permits expansion of up to 16 lambdas through deployment of additional OCLD, and OCI modules.
- A fully expanded OM5200 system is capable of supporting 64 lambdas (unprotected) over the same 4-fiber span.

Physical Layer Optical Monitoring and Adjustment

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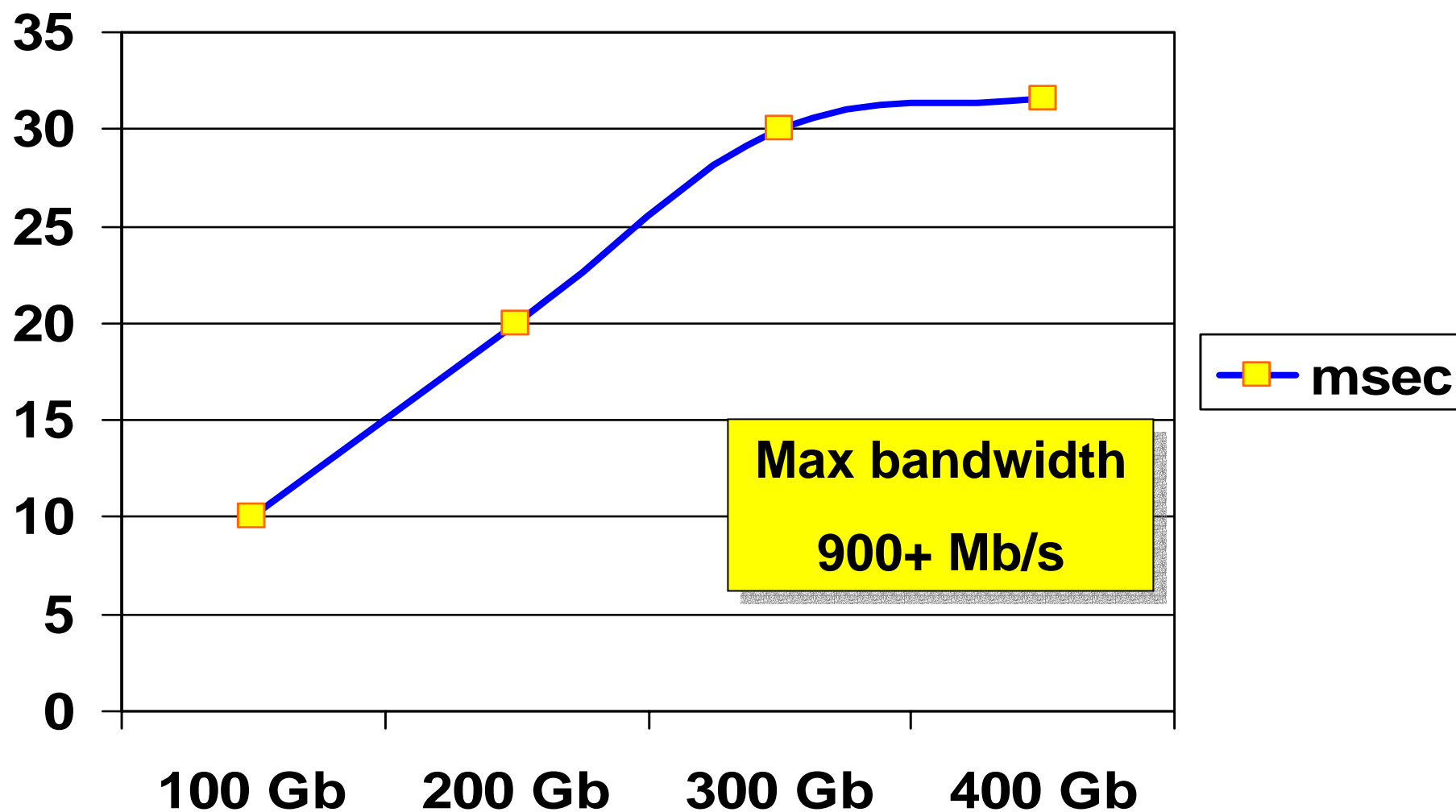


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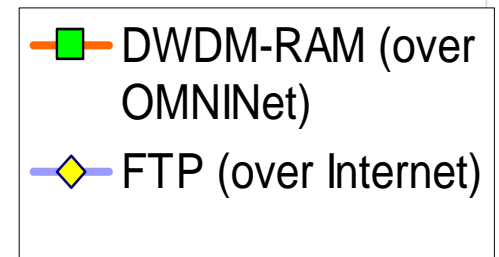
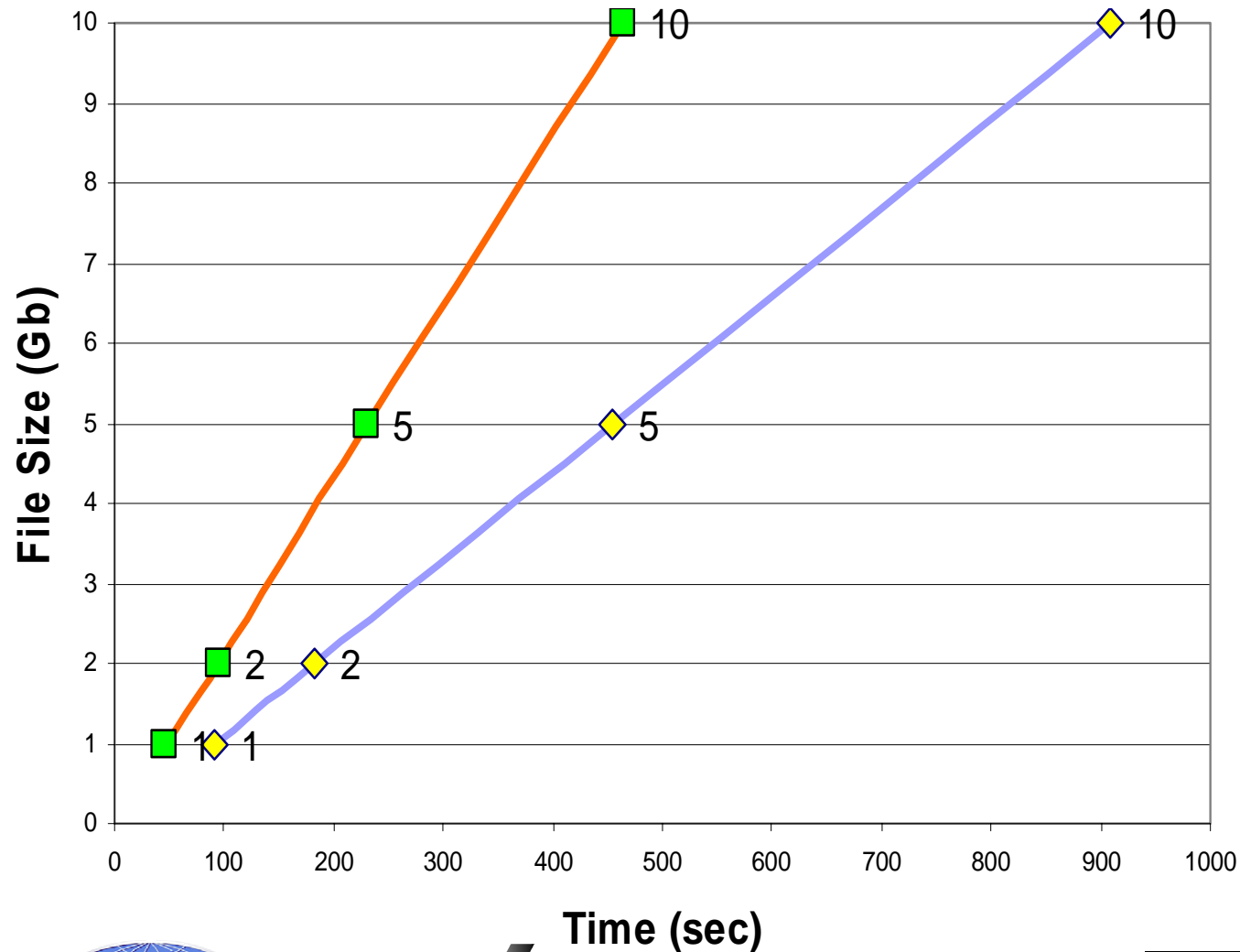
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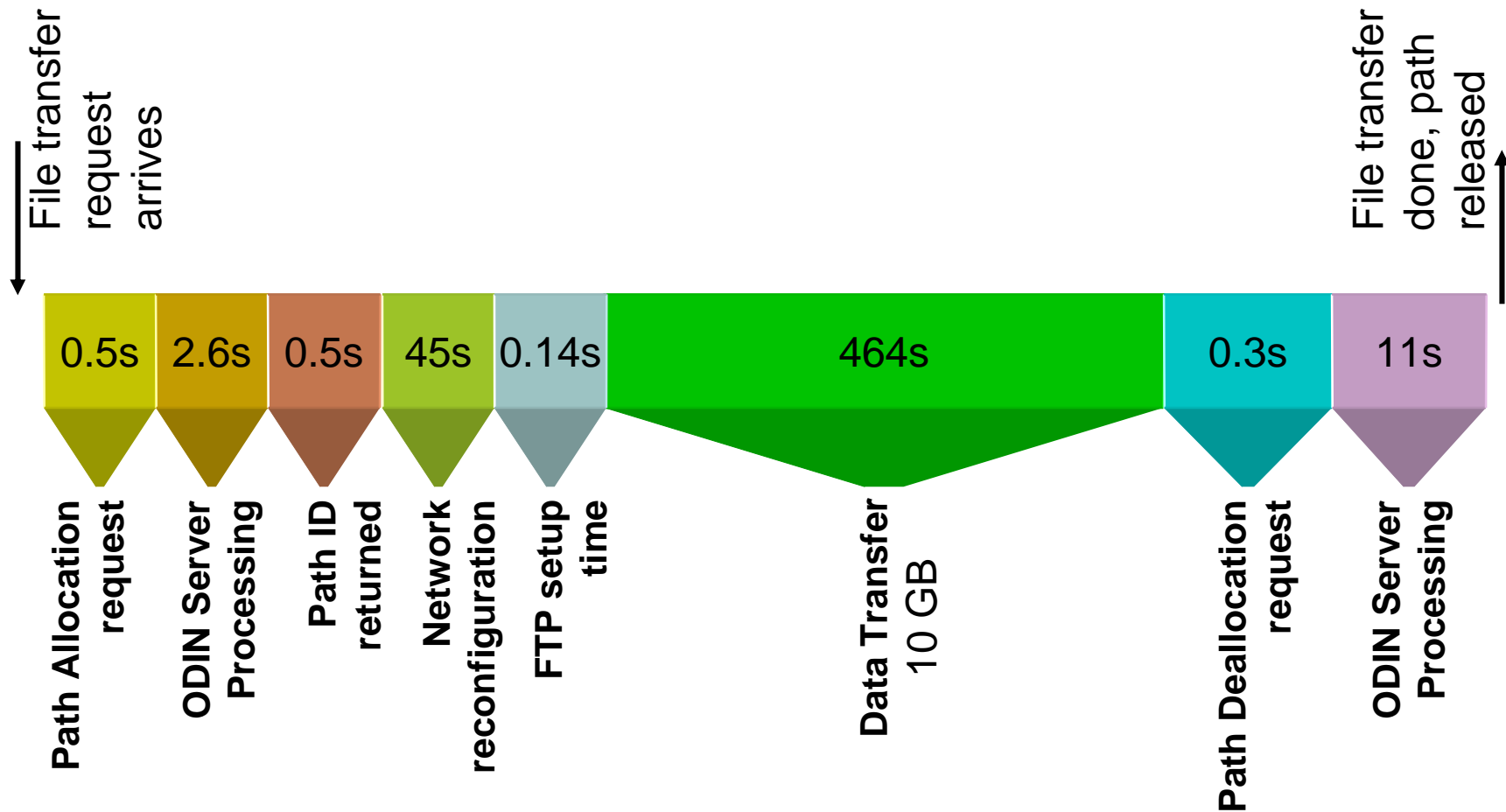
File transfer times



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End-to-end Transfer time



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Application level measurements



Path allocation: 48.7 secs

Data transfer setup time: 0.141 secs

FTP transfer time: 464.624 secs

Effective transfer rate: 156 Mbits/sec

Path tear down time: 11.3 secs

File size: 10 GB



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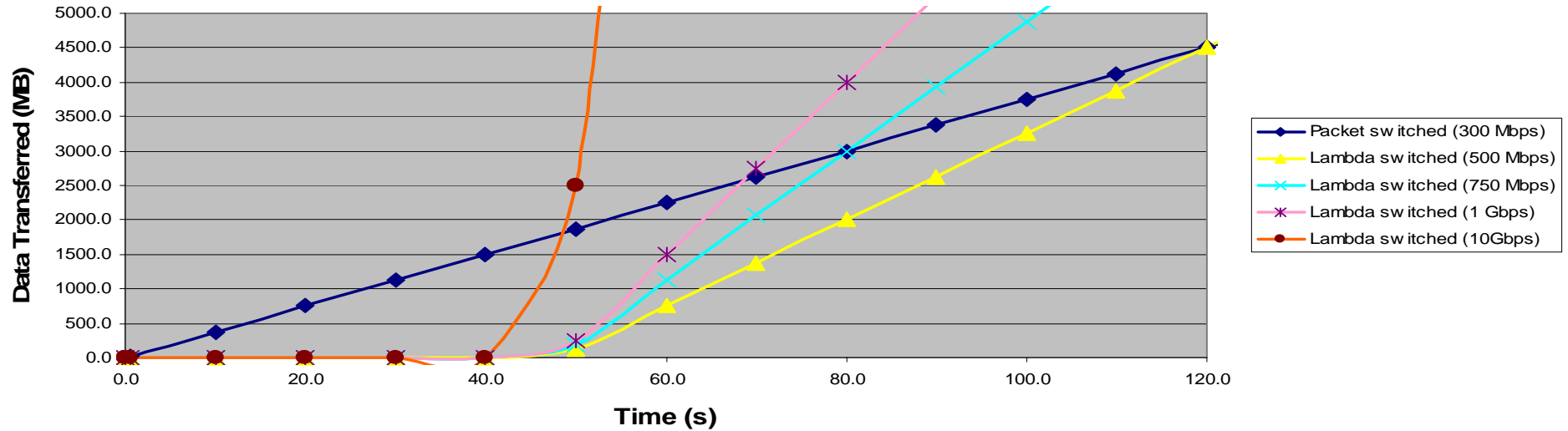


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Packet Switched vs Lambda Network
Setup time tradeoffs (Optical path setup time = 48 sec)



Packet Switched vs Lambda Network
Setup time tradeoffs (Optical path setup time = 2 sec)

