

# Flattened Flexible Non-blocking Switching Node with Quantum and Classic Optic Coexistence

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**Abstract:** Quantum key distribution provides an unconditional physical layer for secure communication. Study on switching and large-scale Networking problems in Quantum Communication could promote QKD communication to industrialization and practical. The current quantum switching nodes can only handle the wavelength of a specific bandwidth and have a strong constraint on the path of the transmission. And the spectrum reuse rate is very low. So it can't meet the demands of build large-scale network. This paper will present a WSS-based flattened flexible and non-blocking switching node that could support quantum communication and classic optical communication at the same time with multi-granularity.

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## 1. Introduction

QKD uses non-orthogonal coded single photon states, such as single photon polarization, phase or angular momentum, to provide secure information exchange for two remote users. These all can be transmitted and switched same as classic optic signal in the fiber. So far, the study on point-to-point QKD communication based on fiber-optic links has been quite mature. More and more researchers have turned to large-scale and multi-user QKD communication network systems based on existing optical devices, and strive to make QKD communication network and existing optical network one integration. In 2003, Paul Tolver experimented with the optical switching system of the QKD communication based on the 4x4-based 2-D MEMS switch array under the B92 protocol and reached a transmission distance of more than 10 km at the time of the device attenuation of 5.9 dB. But this system can not achieve the signals with the existence of multiple wavelengths in one fiber are transmitted and switched, only can provide signal switching services for the fiber that only contains one signal. In 2010, Shuang Wang et al. of China University of Science and Technology proposed a wavelength-saving quantum signal switching device composed of a three-port loop and wavelength division multiplexer, and this scheme has lower power loss and higher stability than using active device. However this scheme also adopted the real-time full connection, increased the complexity of the network, and is difficult to expand. Although the wavelength can be reused, but the reuse rate is relatively low. The scheme above two have a certain routing path compared with the using of beam splitter, but neither considered to integrate the quantum network with the existing classical optical network. This paper presents a quantum switching node scheme supporting the coexistence of quantum signals and classical optical signals based on WSS and coupler and providing more flexible spectrum allocation and non-blocking switching for any wavelength with any bandwidth in any input port.

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$$\begin{aligned}\bar{\varepsilon} &= \frac{\int_0^\infty \varepsilon \exp(-\beta \varepsilon) d\varepsilon}{\int_0^\infty \exp(-\beta \varepsilon) d\varepsilon} \\ &= -\frac{d}{d\beta} \log \left[ \int_0^\infty \exp(-\beta \varepsilon) d\varepsilon \right] = \frac{1}{\beta} = kT.\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

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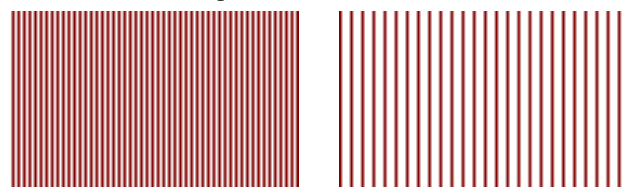
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