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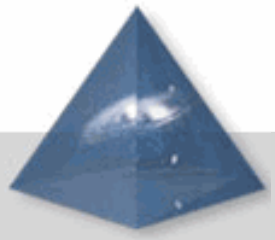

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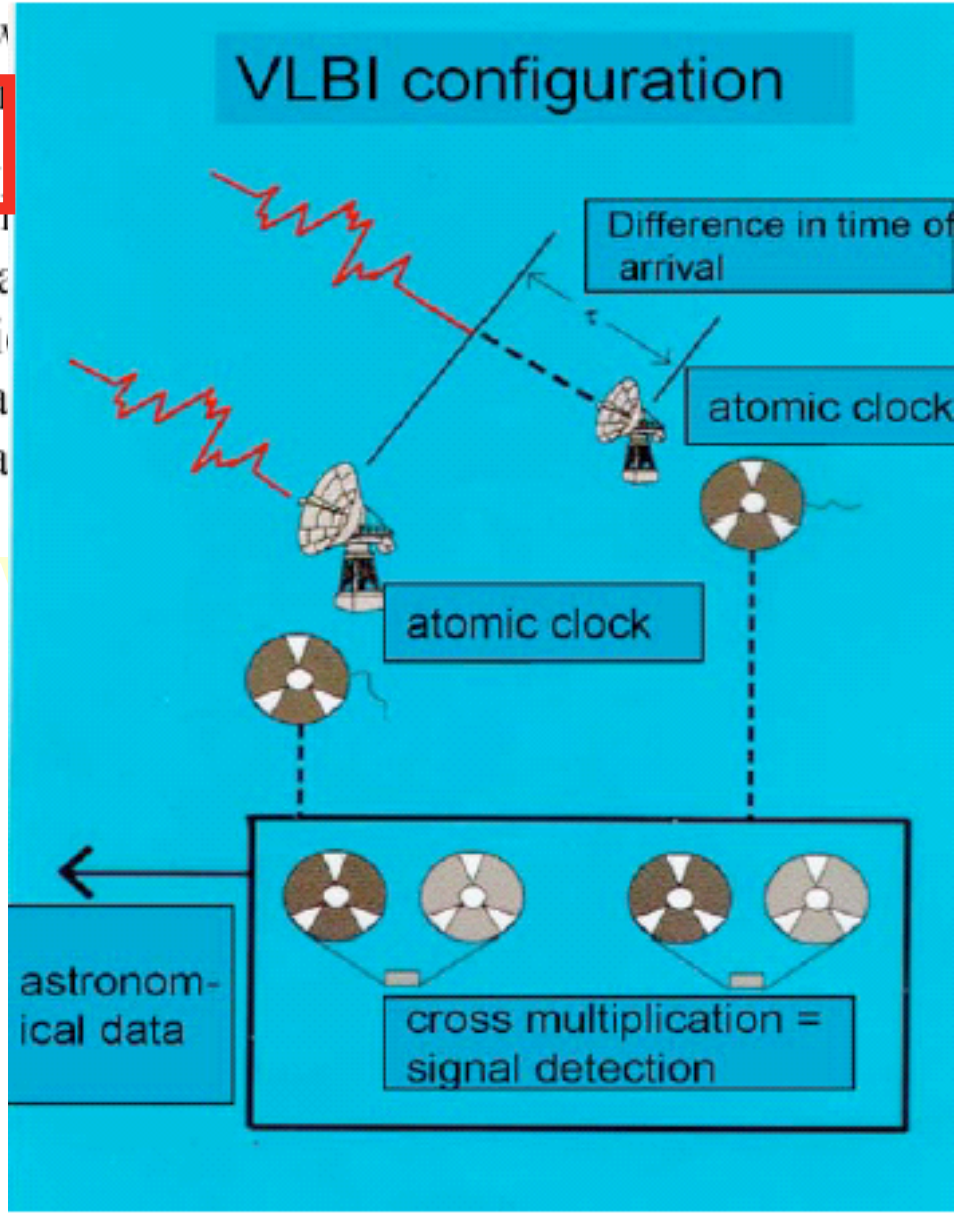
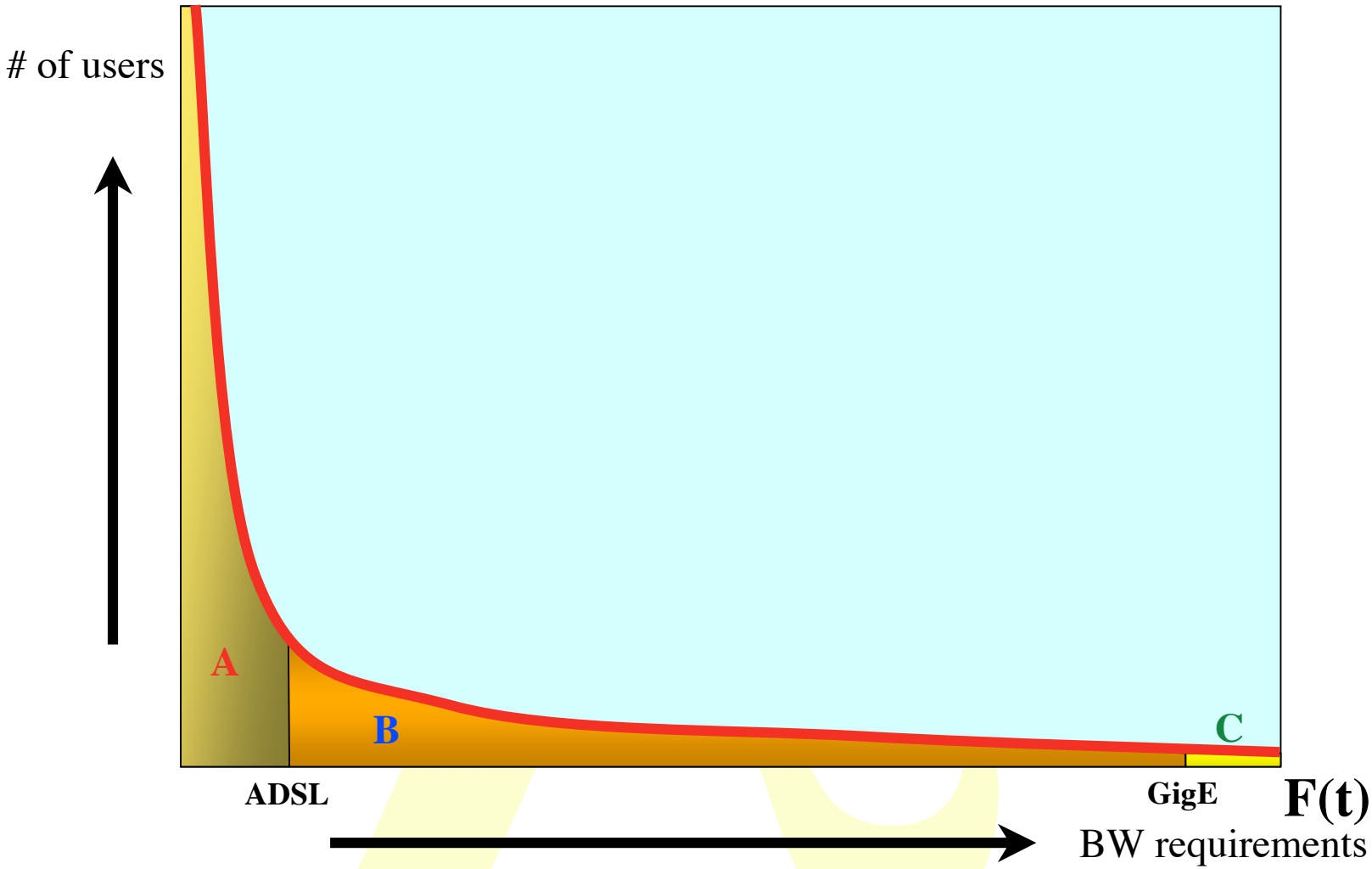
VLBI

ger term VLBI is easily capable of generating many Gb of data per
The sensitivity of the VLBI array scales w
(=data-rate) and there is a strong push to
. Rates of 8Gb/s or more are entirely feasibl
der development. It is expected that paral
orrelator will remain the most efficient approa
s distributed processing may have an appli
lti-gigabit data streams will aggregate into la
or and the capacity of the final link to the da
tor.

Westerbork Synthesis Radio Telescope - Netherlands



Know the user

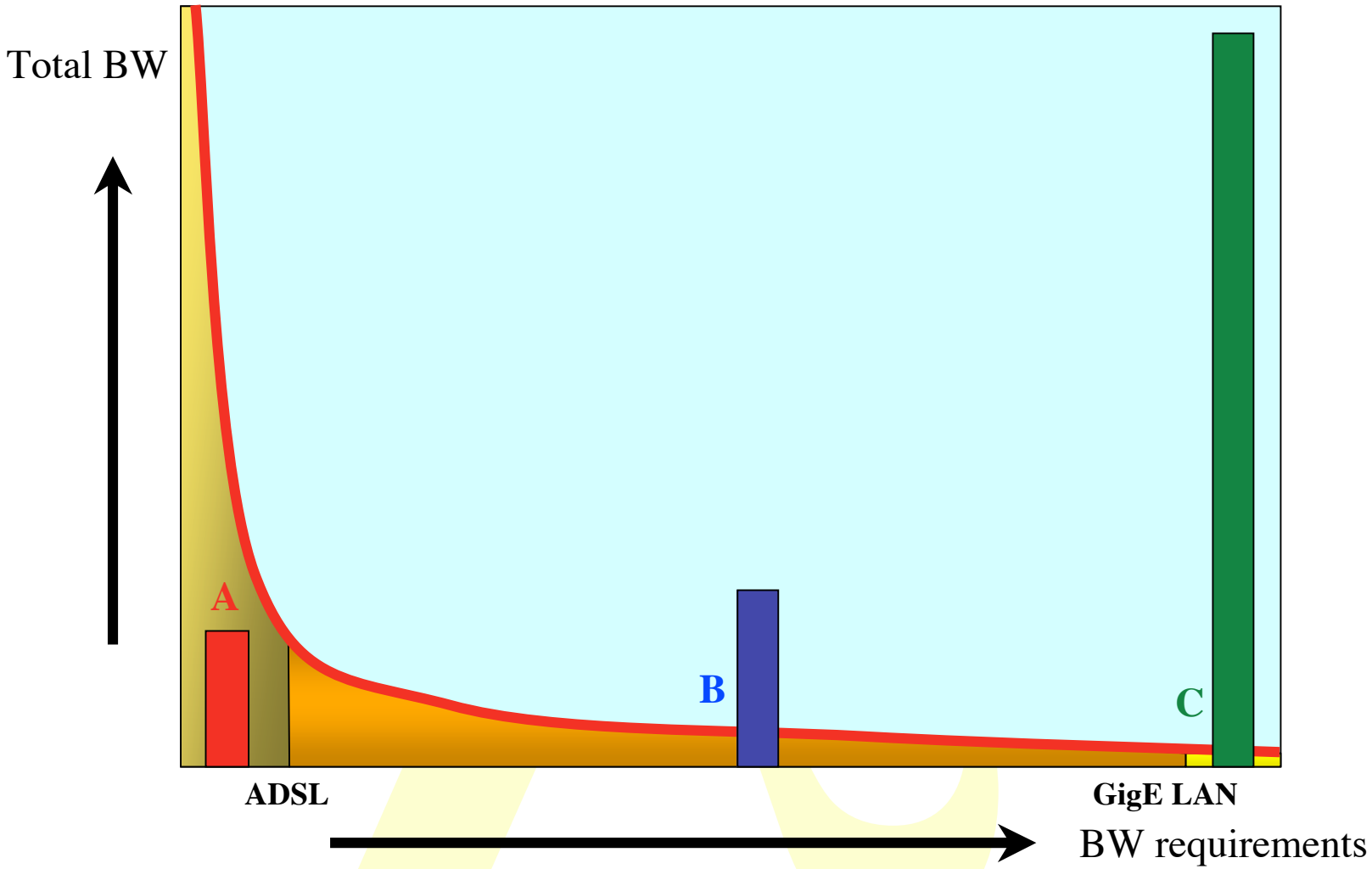


A -> Lightweight users, browsing, mailing, home use

B -> Business applications, multicast, streaming, VPN's, mostly LAN

C -> Special scientific applications, computing, data grids, virtual-presence

What the user



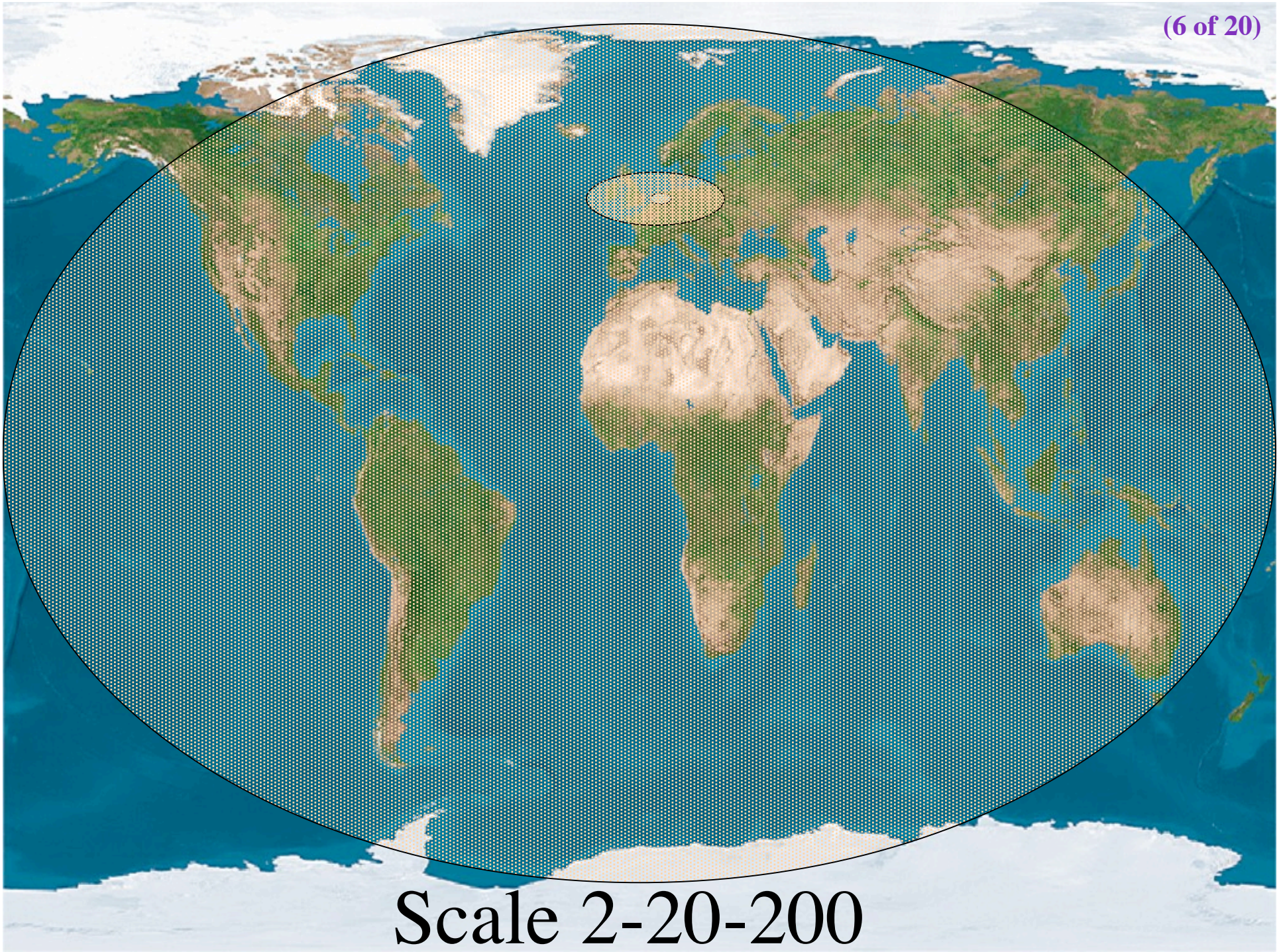
A -> Need full Internet routing, one to many

B -> Need VPN services on/and full Internet routing, several to several

C -> Need very fat pipes, limited multiple Virtual Organizations, few to few

So what are the facts

- Costs of fat pipes (fibers) are one/third of equipment to light them up
  - Is what Lambda salesmen tell me
- Costs of optical equipment 10% of switching 10 % of full routing equipment for same throughput
  - 100 Byte packet @ 10 Gb/s -> 80 ns to look up in 100 Mbyte routing table (light speed from me to you on the back row!)
- Big sciences need fat pipes
- Bottom line: create a hybrid architecture which serves all users in one consistent cost effective way



Scale 2-20-200

The only formula's

$$\#\lambda \approx \frac{200 * e^{(t-2002)}}{rtt}$$

Now, as having been a High Energy Physicist we set

c = 1

e = 1

ħ = 1

and the formula reduces to:

$$\#\lambda \approx \frac{200 * e^{(t-2002)}}{rtt}$$

Services

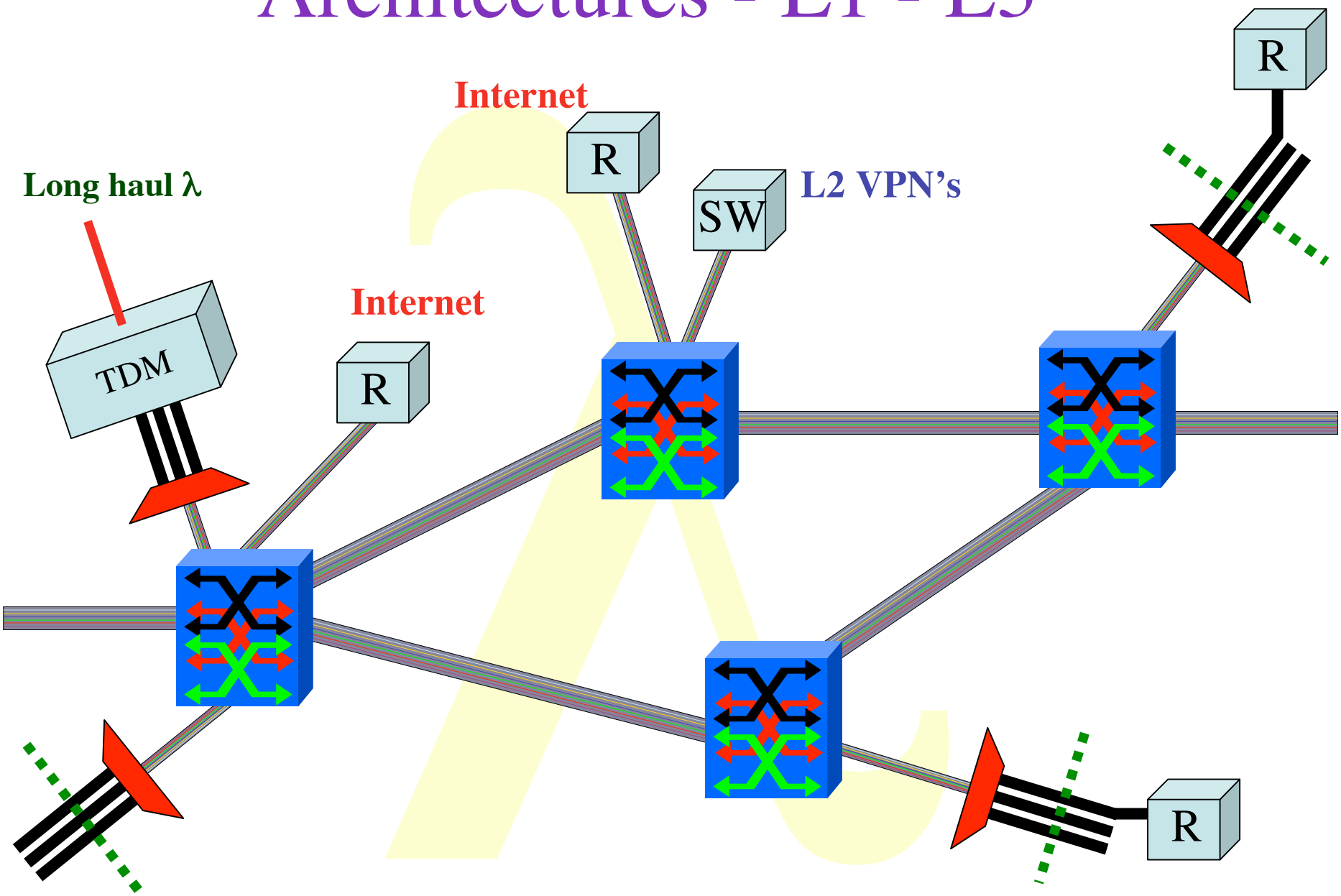
	2 Metro	20 National/ regional	200 World
A	Switching/ routing	Routing	ROUTER$
B	VPN's, (G)MPLS	VPN's Routing	Routing
C $\#\lambda \approx \frac{200 * e^{(t-2002)}}{rtt}$	dark fiber Optical switching	Lambda switching	Sub- lambdas, ethernet- sdh

Current technology + (re)definition

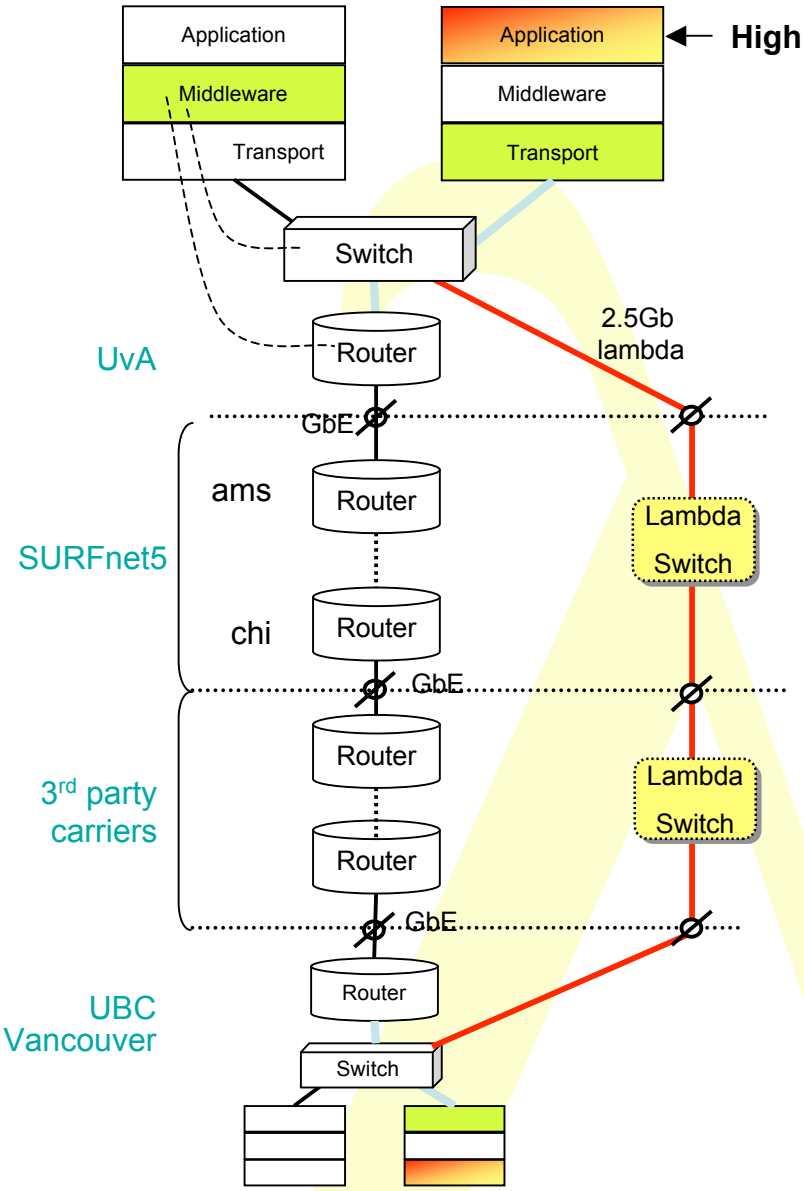
- Current (to me) available technology consists of SONET/SDH switches
- Changing very soon!, optical switch on the way!
- DWDM+switching coming up
- Starlight uses for the time being VLAN's on Ethernet switches to connect [exactly two] ports (but also routing)
- We want to understand routerless limited environments
- So redefine a λ as:

"a λ is a pipe where you can inspect packets as they enter and when they exit, but principally not when in transit. In transit one only deals with the parameters of the pipe: number, color, bandwidth"

Architectures - L1 - L3

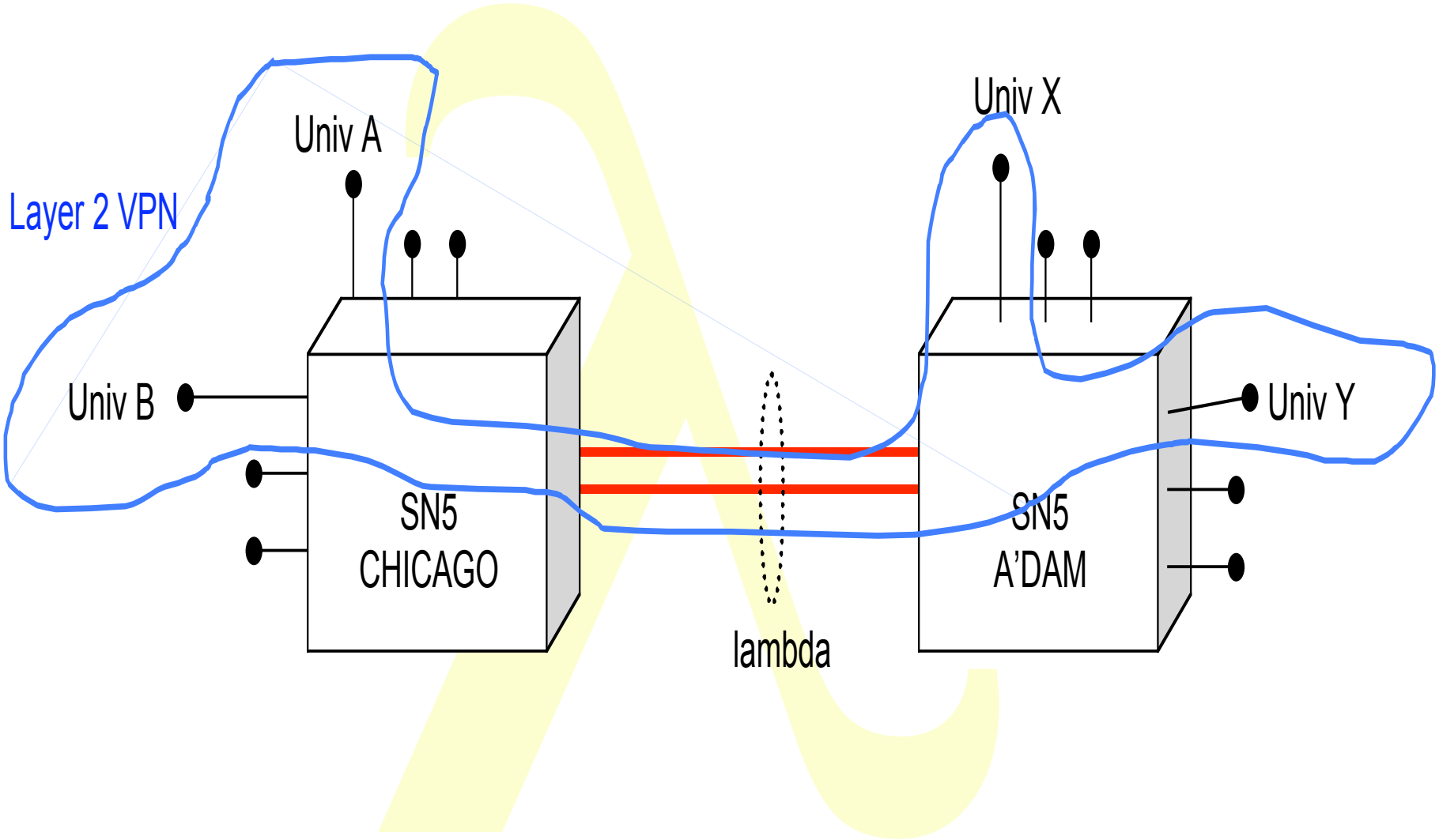


Bring plumbing to the users, not just create sinks in the middle of nowhere

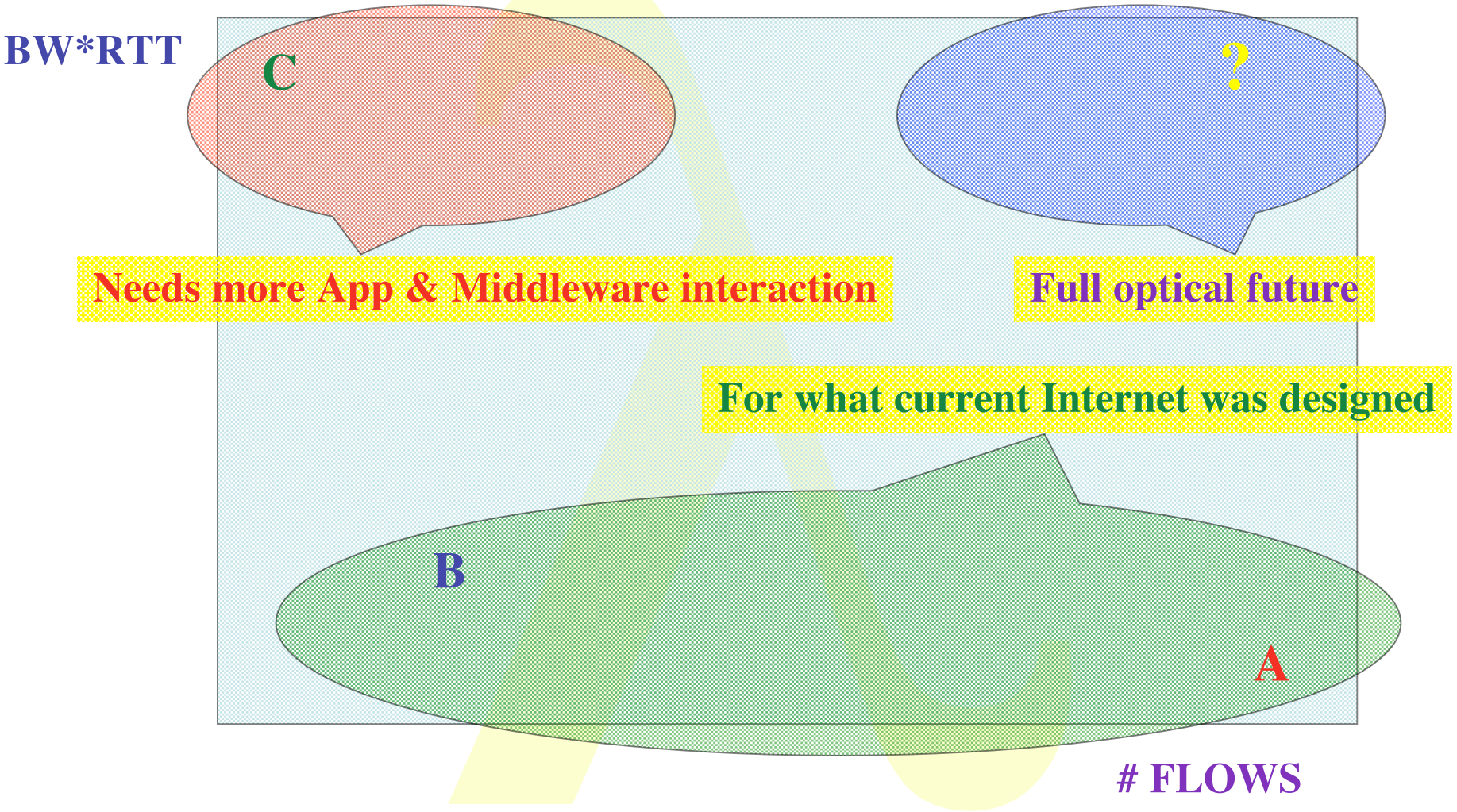


- lambda for high bandwidth applications
  - Bypass of production network
  - Middleware may request (optical) pipe
- RATIONALE:
  - Lower the cost of transport per packet

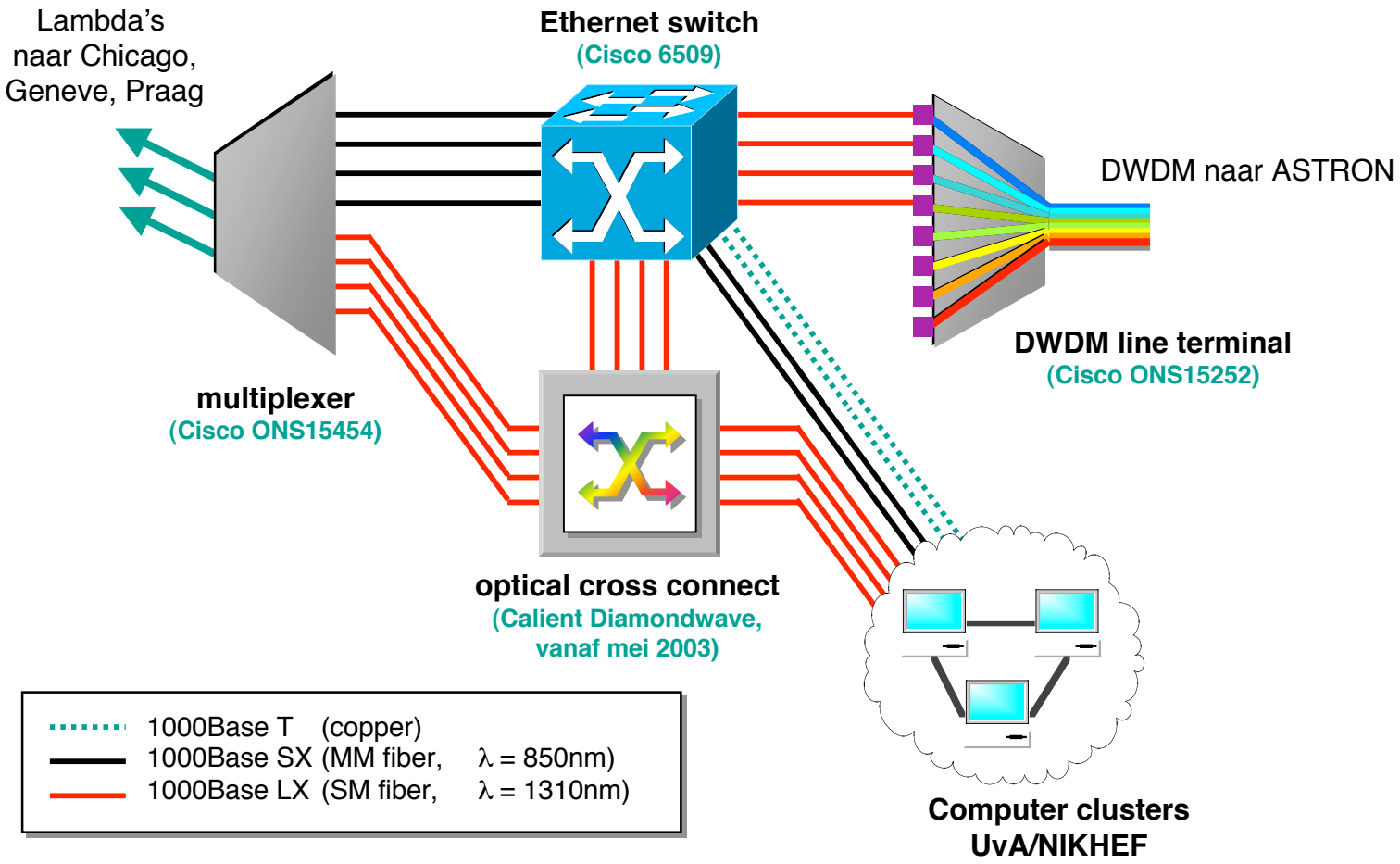
Distributed L2

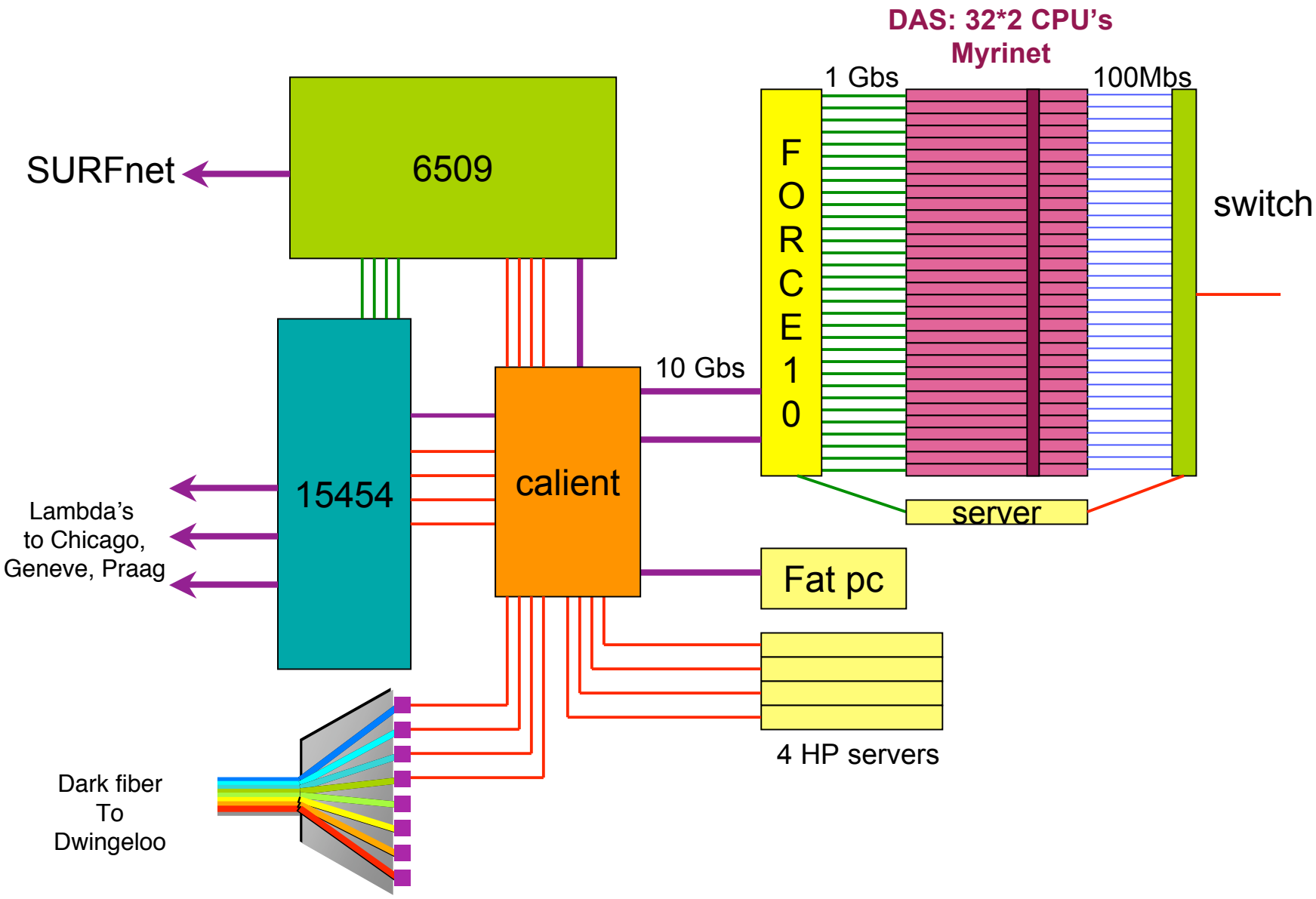


Transport in the corners



NetherLight Amsterdam setup




DAS: 32*2 CPU's
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1 Gbs
100Mbs
SURFnet
6509
FORCE10
switch
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Lambda's
to Chicago,
Geneve, Praag
server
Fat pc
4 HP servers
Dark fiber
To
Dwingeloo

GigaPort

SURFnet and GigaPort Next Generation

Creating the innovation engine

Kees Neggers

Managing Director SURFnet

Praha, 20 February 2003

SURFnet

- Provides the Dutch National Research Network
- Not for profit company
- 200 connected organisations, 500.000 users
- Turnover (2002): 35M€
- Infrastructure services:
  - innovation paid for by government
  - cost effective exploitation for higher education and research

Effects of GigaPort

GigaPort

- World leading research infrastructure in NL
  - 15 PoPs connected by thirty 10Gbps lambdas
  - Dual stack IPv4 and IPv6
- Helps transition in Telecoms market
  - GigaMAN
  - Fiber to the dormitories
  - Access pilots/ mobility
- Advanced Optical Exchange: NetherLight

- Playground for new applications

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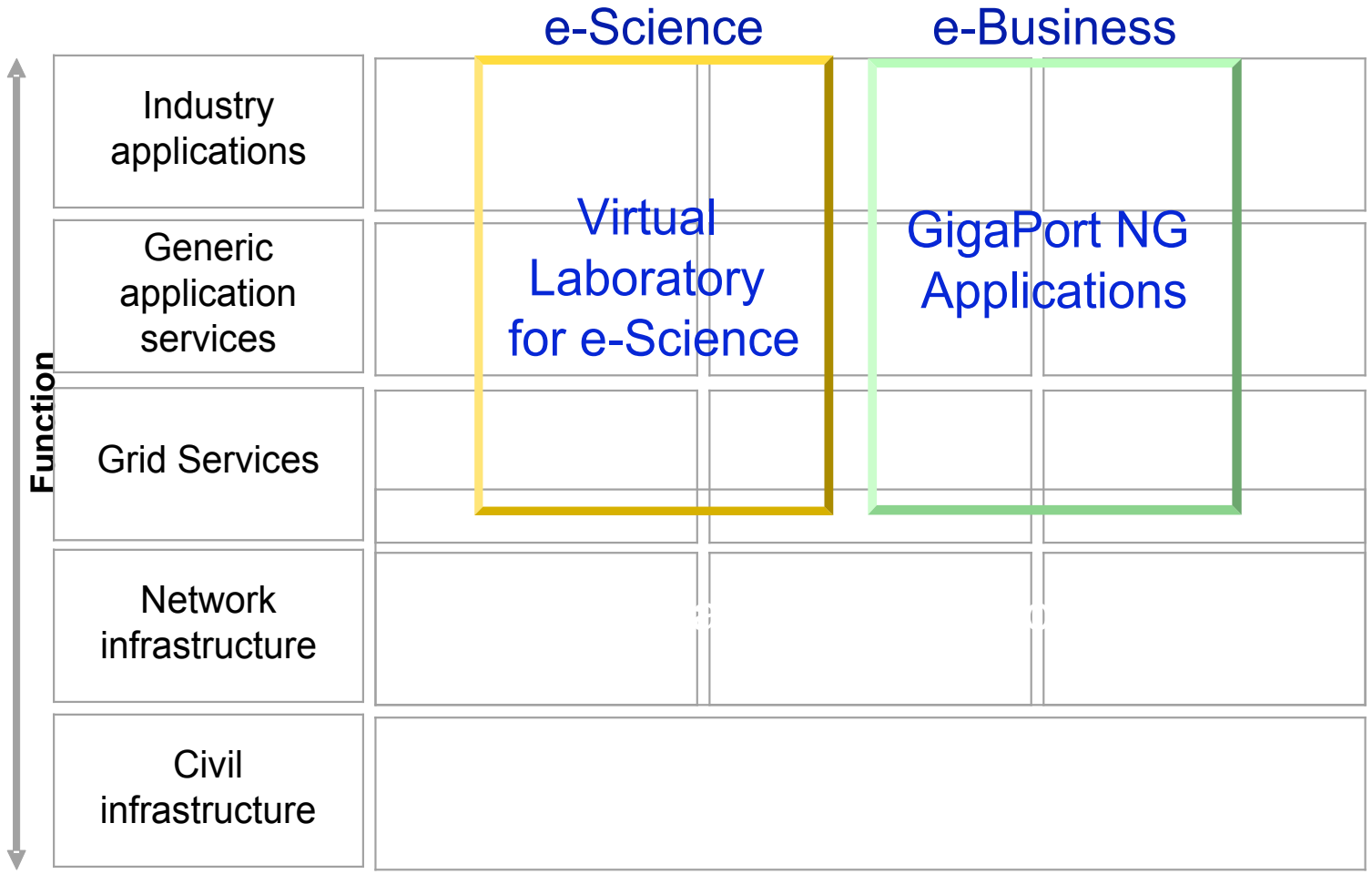
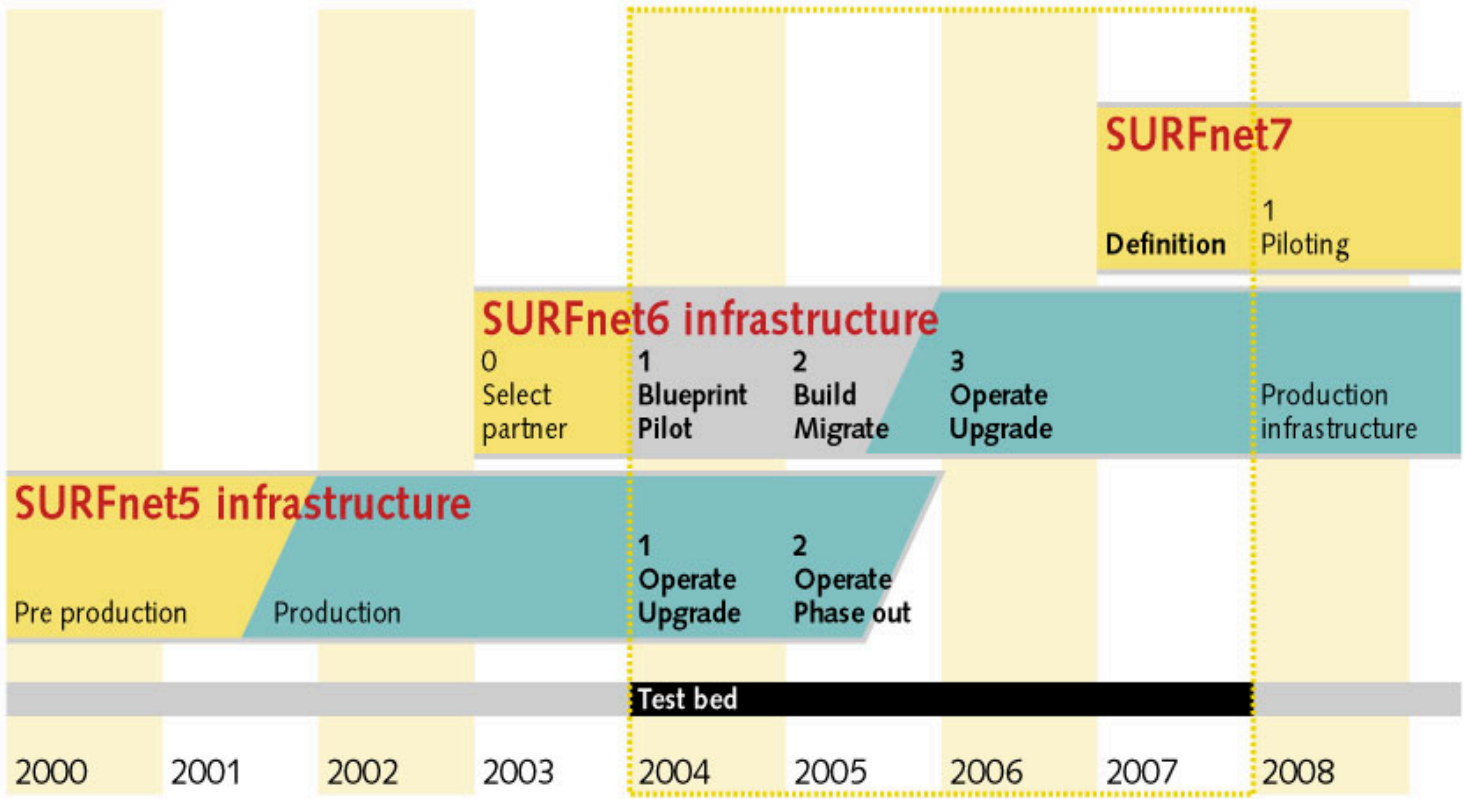
Scope GigaPort Next Generation



Timelines SURFnet6

GigaPort



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Research topics

GigaPort

- optical transmission and switching
- integrating light paths in network
- routing: new internet features and protocols
- monitoring & network management
- Testing methodology
- network access management (roaming, security, usability, personalized service provisioning)
- service grids

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New Applications

GigaPort

- Grid computing
- Data mining
- Data visualization
- Virtual reality
- Remote cooperation
- Radioastronomy

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Telecommunication infrastructures become part of scientific instruments

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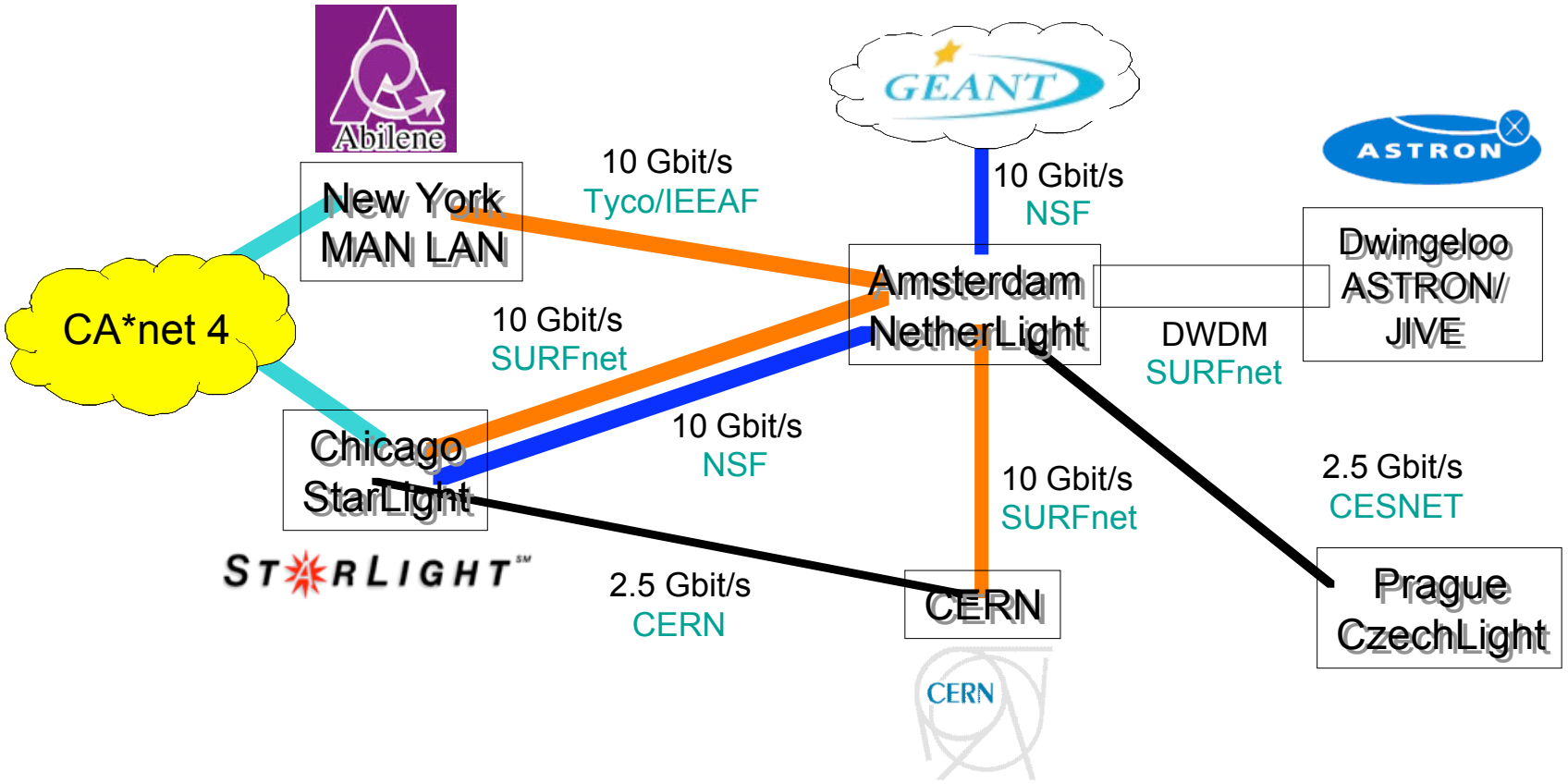
Emerging international lambda grid

GigaPort



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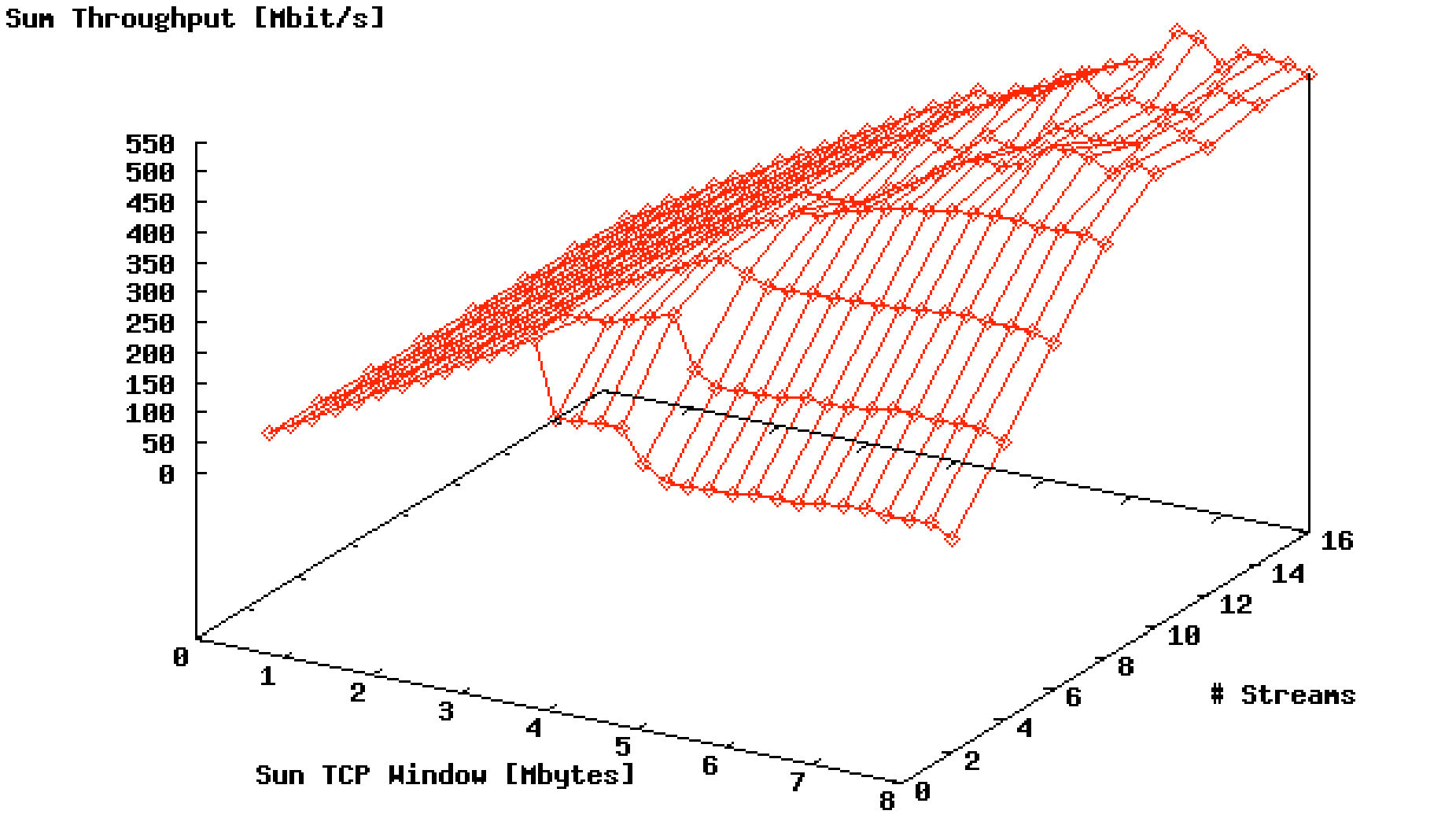
Early Lambda/LightPath usage experiences

EVL => WCH


Sum Throughput [Mbit/s]
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300
250
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150
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8
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12
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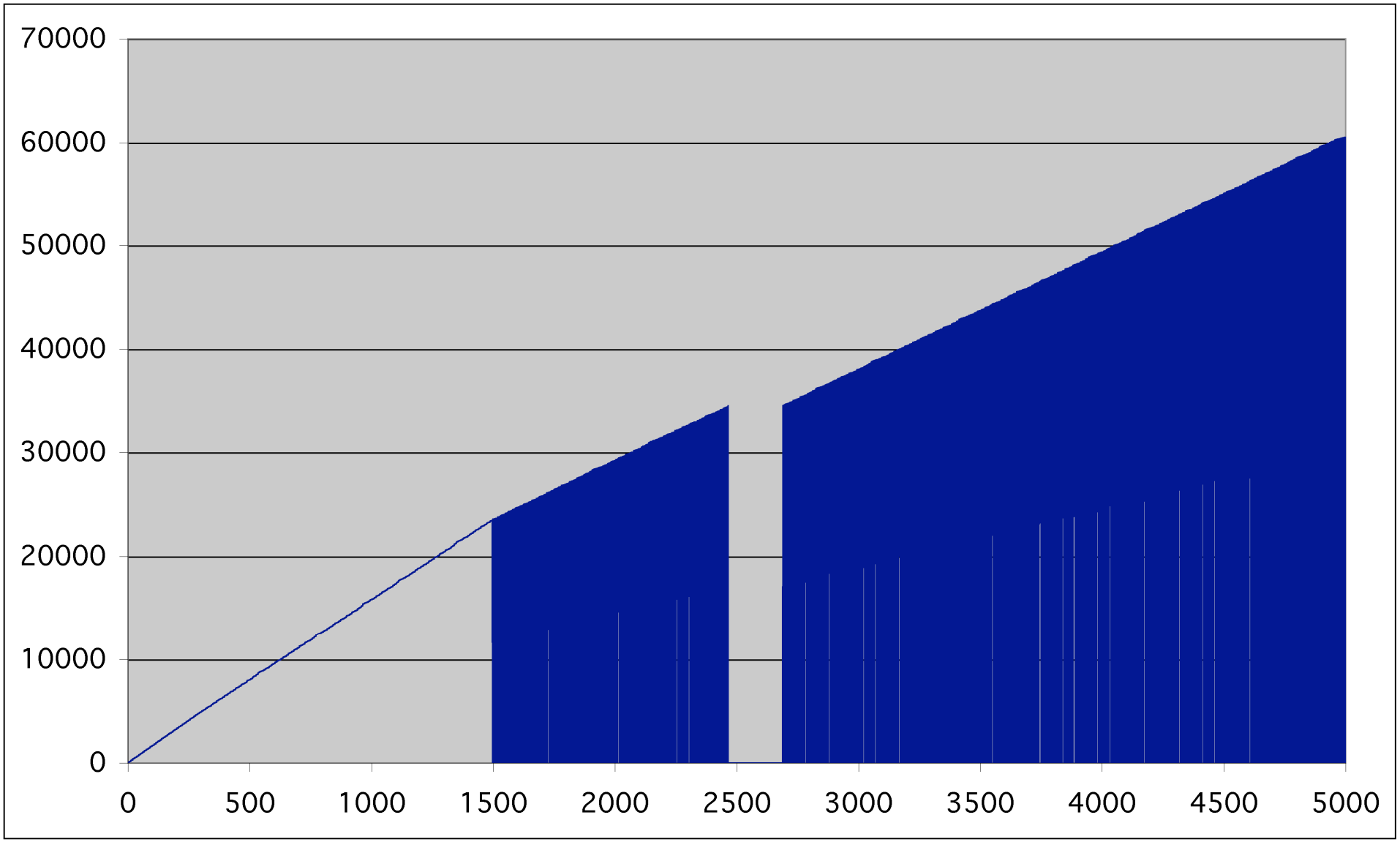
16
Streams

5000 1 kByte UDP packets



Layer - 2 requirements from 3/4

TCP is bursty due to sliding window protocol and slow start algorithm.

```
Window = BandWidth * RTT     &    BW == slow

                                fast - slow
Memory-at-bottleneck = ----------- * slow * RTT
                                  fast
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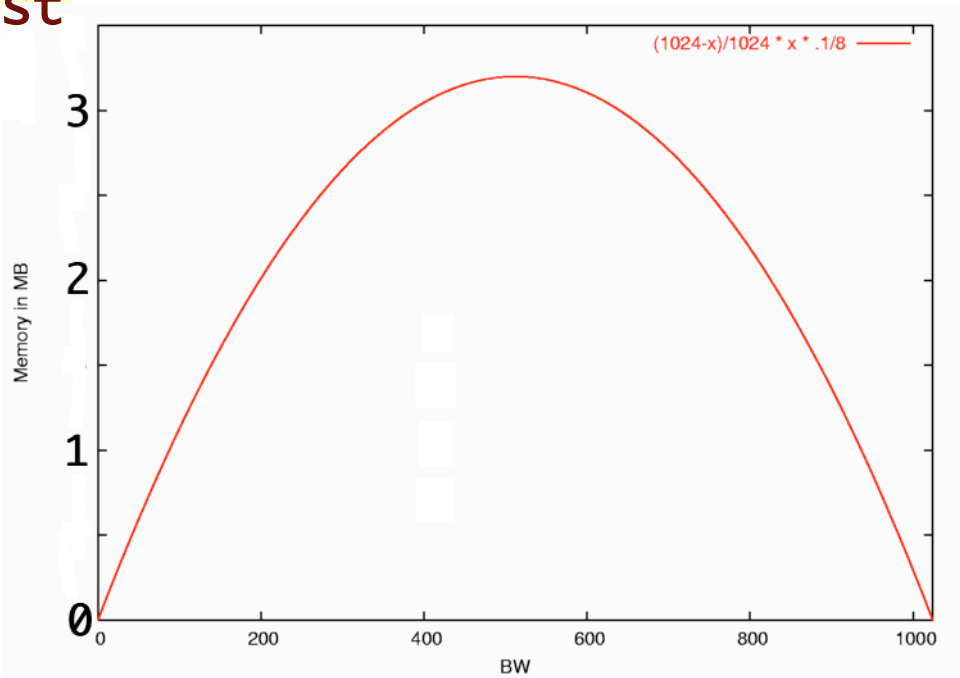
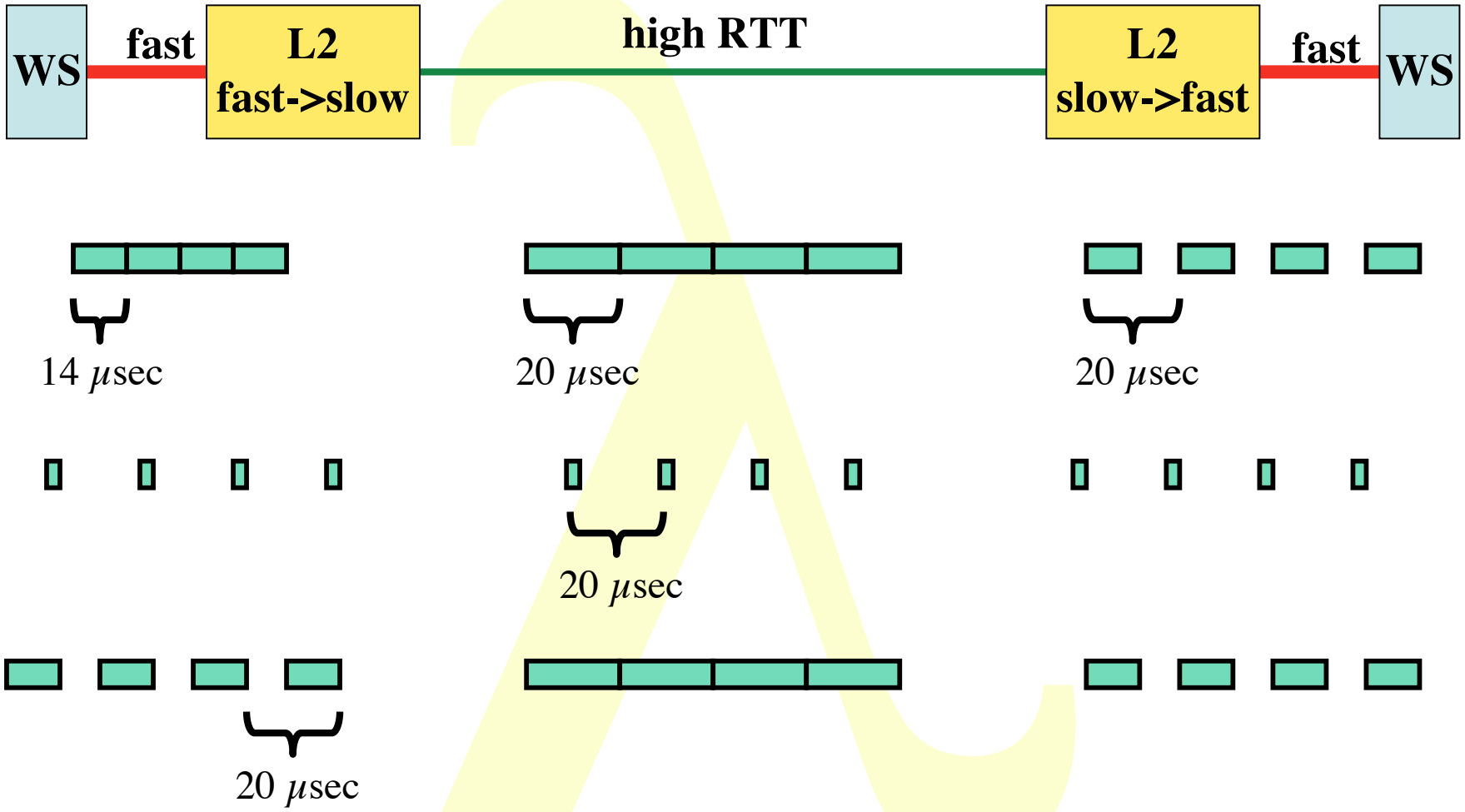
So pick from menu:

- *Flow control*
- *Traffic Shaping*
- *RED (Random Early Discard)*
- *Self clocking in TCP*
- *Deep memory*



Self-clocking of TCP



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Window = BandWidth * RTT & BW == slow

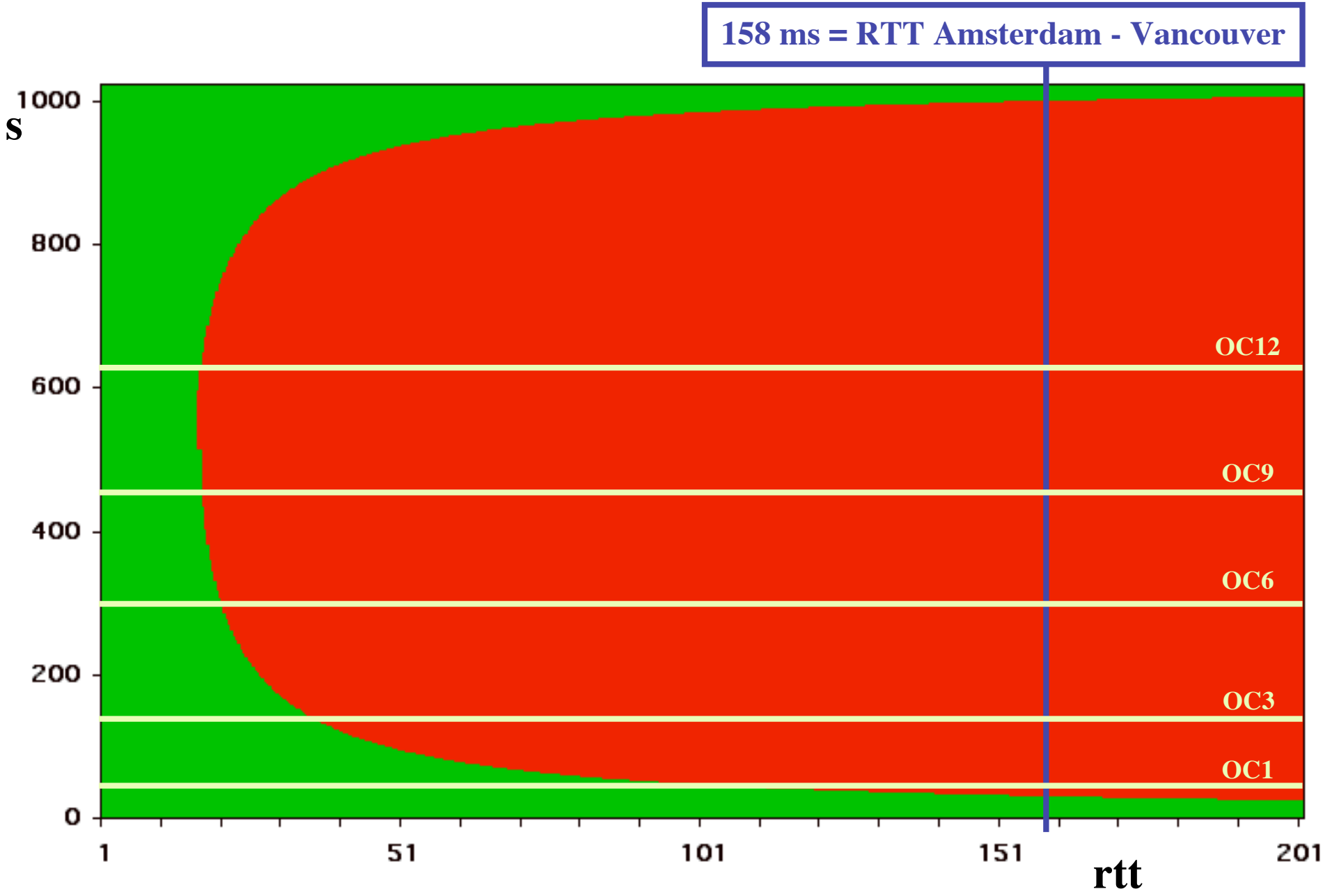
$$\text{Memory-at-bottleneck} = \frac{\text{fast} - \text{slow}}{\text{fast}} * \text{slow} * \text{RTT}$$

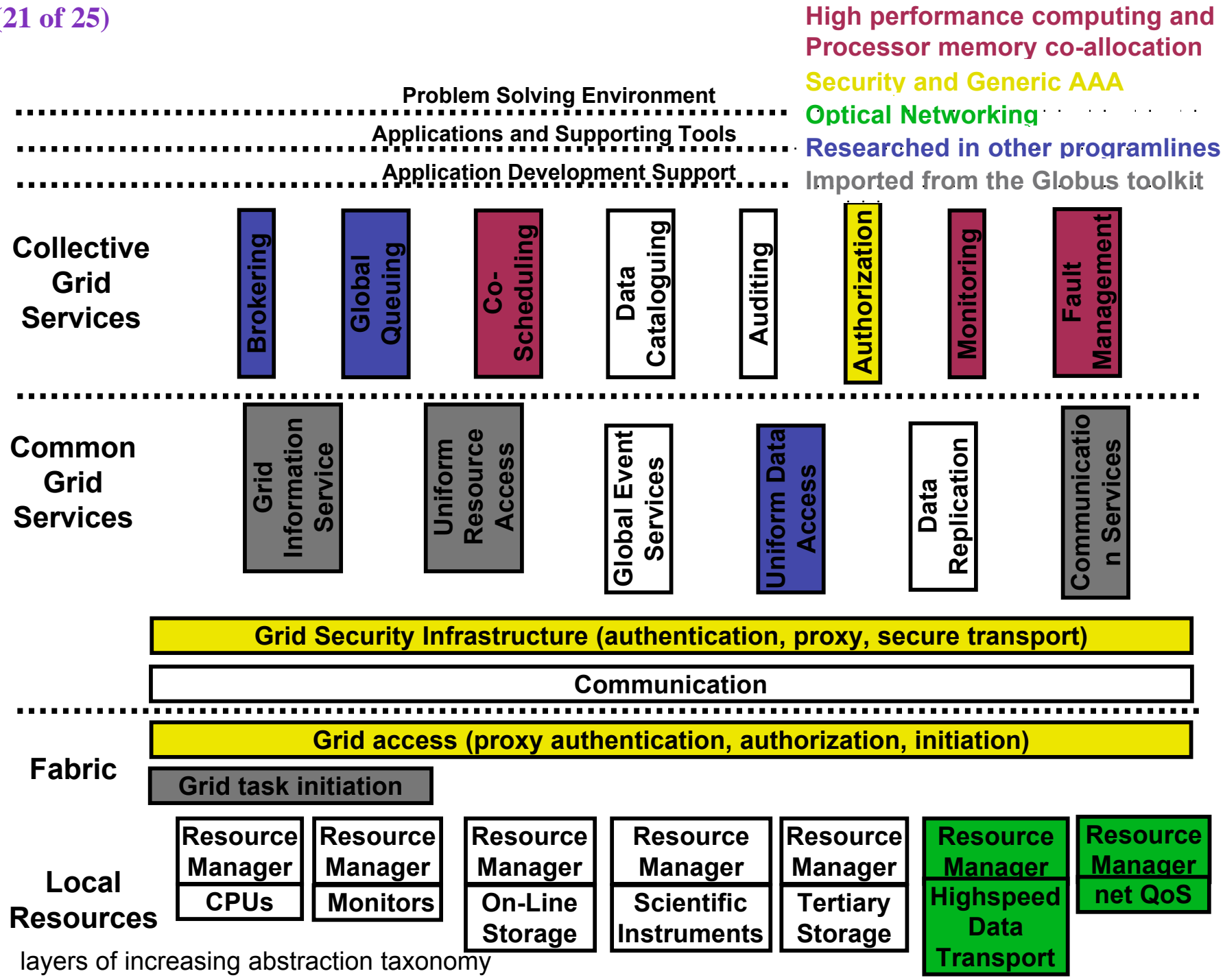
Given M and f, solve for slow ===>

$$0 = s^2 - f * s + \frac{f * M}{RTT}$$

$$s_1, s_2 = \frac{f}{2} \left(1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4 \frac{M}{f * RTT}} \right)$$

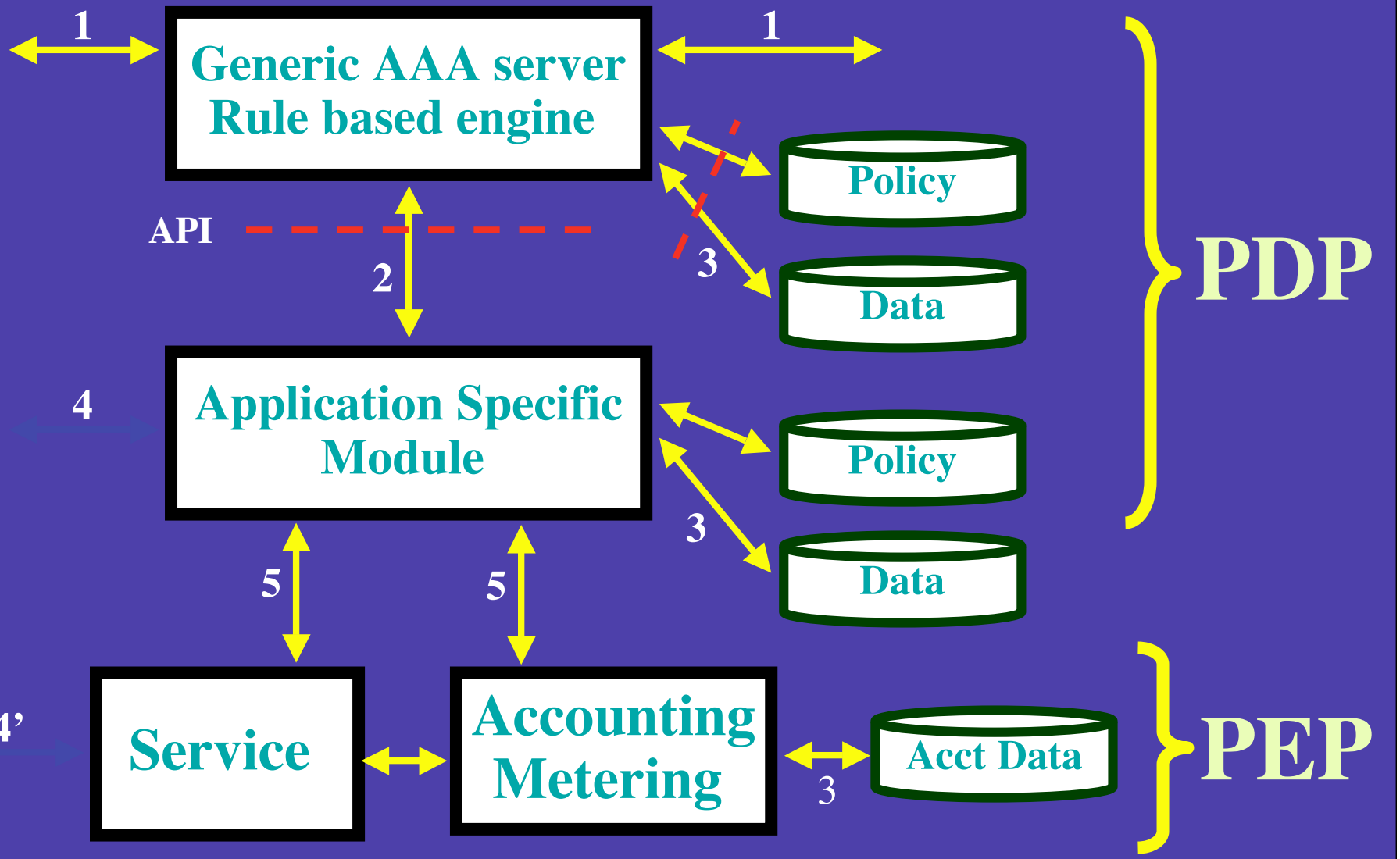
Forbidden area, solutions for s when f = 1 Gb/s, M = 0.5 Mbyte AND NOT USING FLOWCONTROL





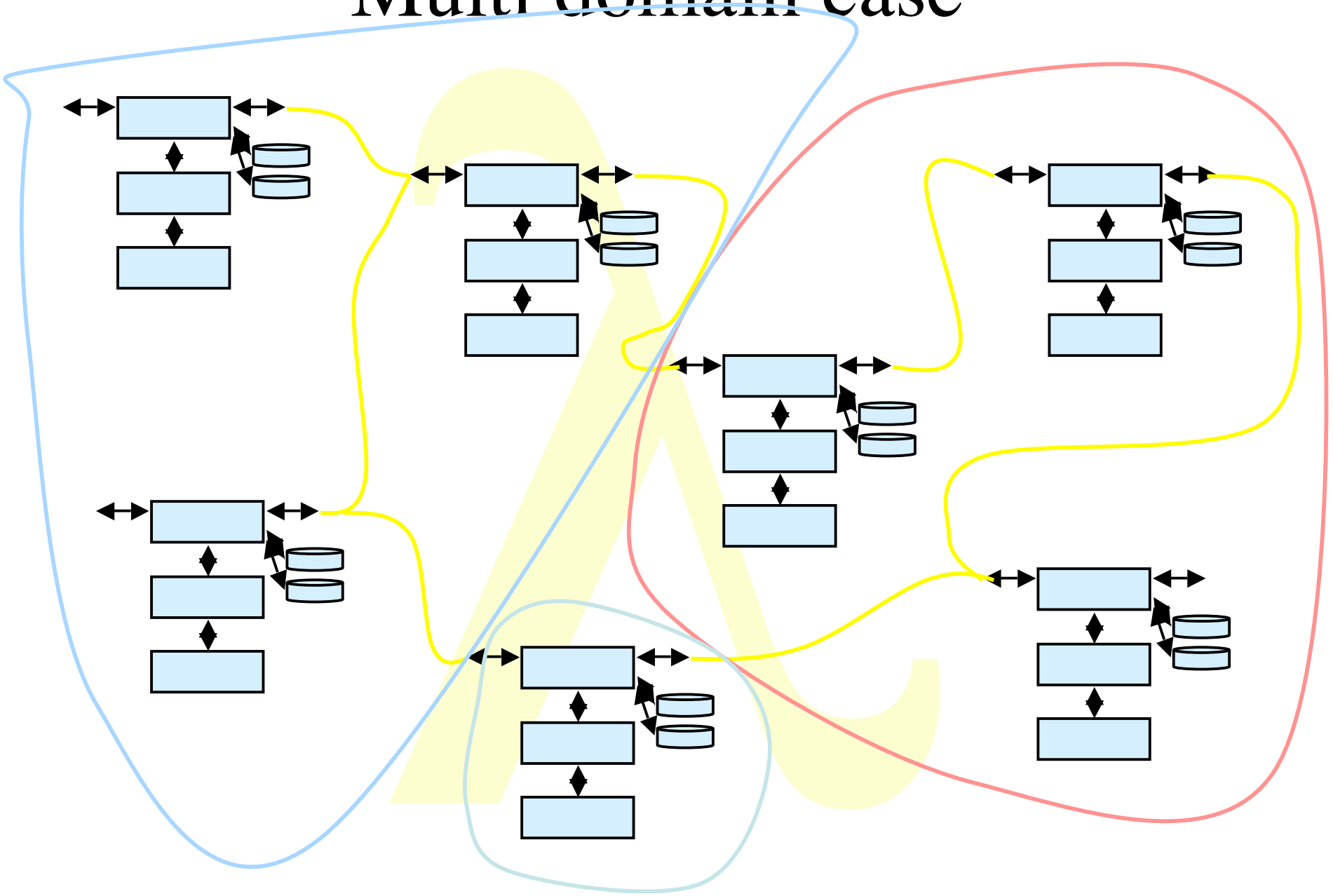
layers of increasing abstraction taxonomy

Starting point



RFC 2903 - 2906 , 3334 , policy draft

Multi domain case



iGrid2002

- www.igrid2002.org
- 25 demonstrations
- 16 countries (at least)
- Level3, Tyco, IEEAF Lambda's
- CISCO, Hp equipment sponsoring
- Shipping nightmare, debugging literally
- ~30 Gbit/s International connectivity
- Huge networking collaboration
- Smelly NOC in the iGrid preparation weekend

Lessons learned

- Most applications could not cope with the network!!!
- No bottleneck whatsoever in the network
- Many got about 50 - 100 mbit/s singlestream tcp
- On Sunday evening my laptop had the highest single stream to Chicago (~ 340 Mbit/s)
- NIC's, Linux implementation and timing problem
- Gridftp severely hit
- ~ 22 papers to be published

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