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## Network Layers, Architectures and Technologies

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## BDT workshop on Network Planning

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Role of Network Planning in the current Telecom scenario

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Integrated Planning Process

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Specific Network Planning per Layer

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## Content Chapter 2.4

### Network Architectures and Technologies

- **Modeling of the network by layers and segments for planning purposes**
- **Technology alternatives for today's telecom networks**
- **Access and Core architectures and solutions**
- **NGN: What and how**

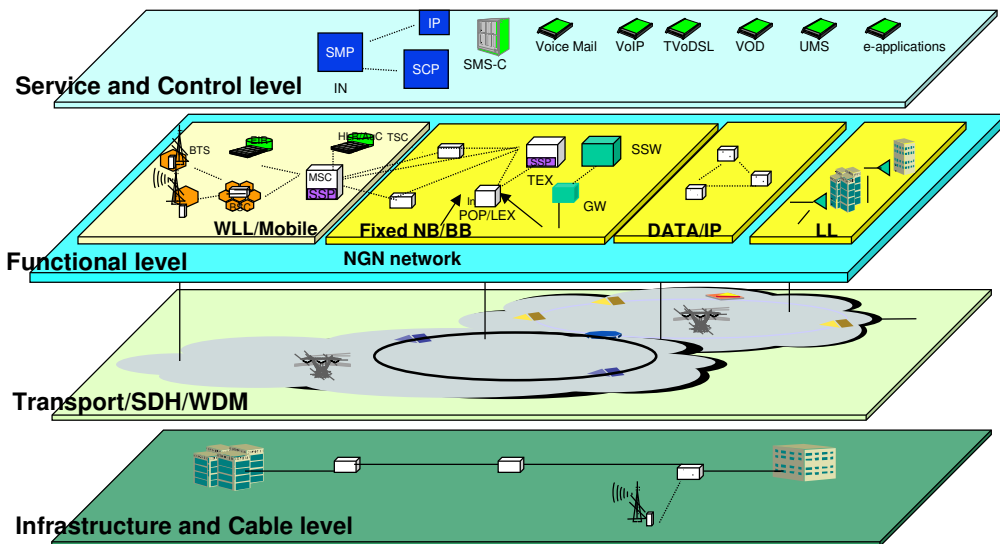


## Network Architectures and Technologies: Network Modeling

- **High complexity of the whole Network requires a modeling and splitting in subnetworks to facilitate analysis and design.**
  - **By Layers** in a vertical dimension following the client-server relation (one layer is supported in the layer below and provides resources for the layer up). *Physical, Transmission, Switching, etc.*
  - **By Segments** or splitting of the end to end communication into subareas as *customer premises, access, core national, core international*
  - **By Technologies** or underlying technique as *PDH, SDH, PSTN, ATM, IP, GSM, etc.....*
- **Network Planning follows the same splitting or partitioning to allow treatment of the problems and adaptation to associated**



## Network Architectures and Technologies: Network Layer Modeling



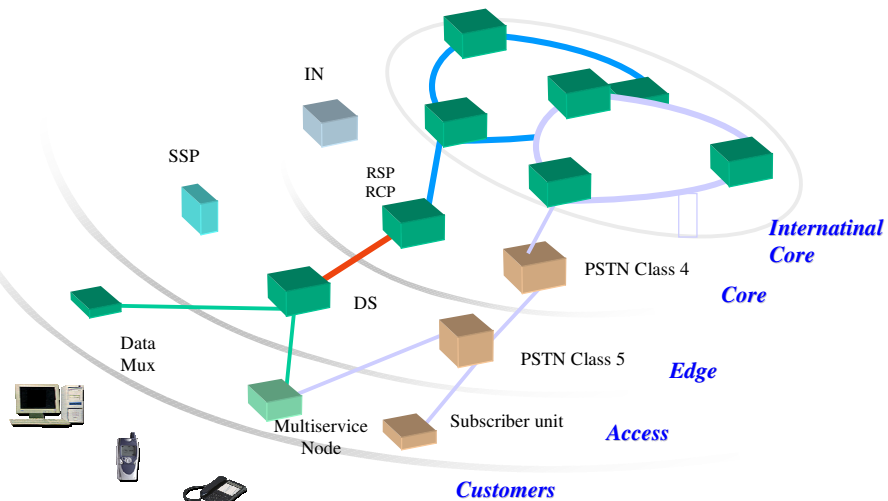
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## Network Architectures and Technologies: Network Segment Modeling



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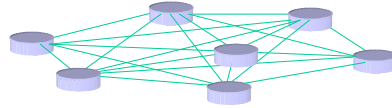
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## Network Architectures and Technologies: Topologies

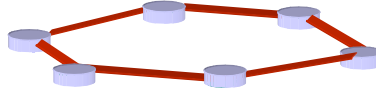
- **Meshed (direct connection among nodes)**

- Fully (for all network nodes)
- Partial (with limited connectivity)

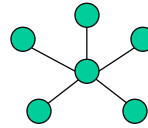


- **Ring**

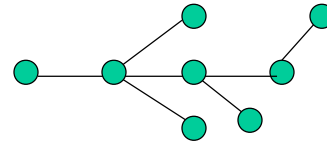
- Single, Multiple, Folded



- **Star**



- **Tree**



- **Linear**



- **Combined**

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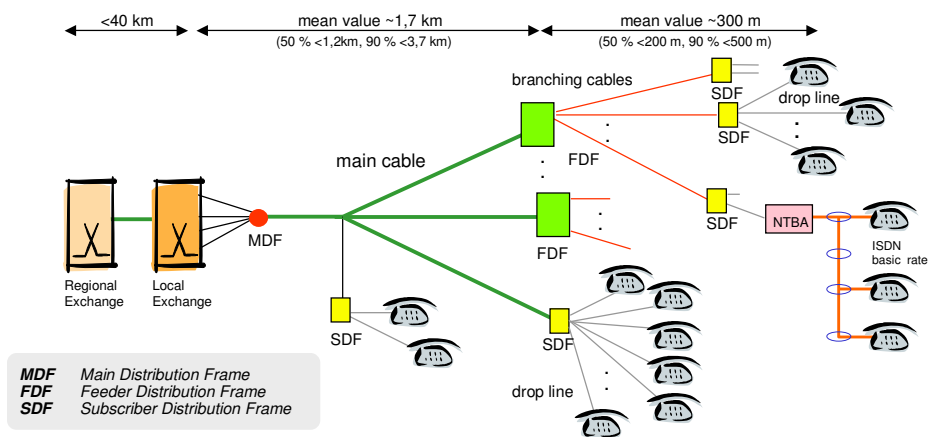
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## Access Network Architecture: Wireline

### Typical Access Network structure: (classical)



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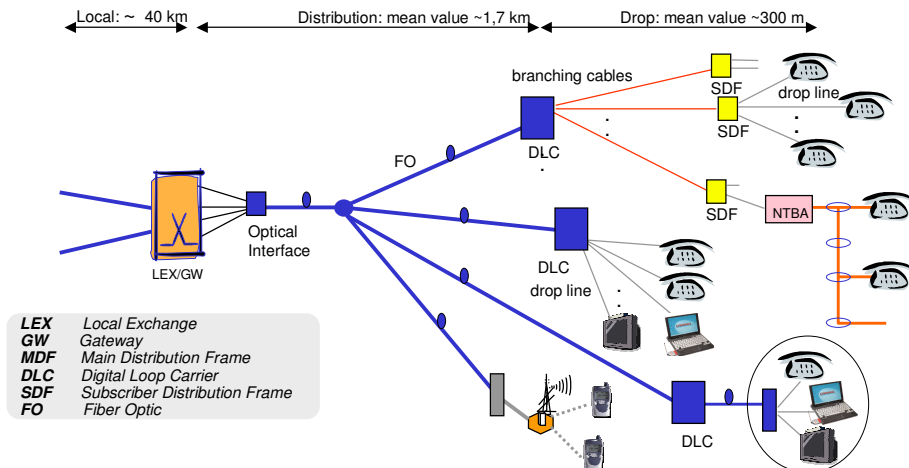
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## Access Network Architecture: Wireline Evolution: FTTx

### Typical Access Network evolution towards BB and Convergence



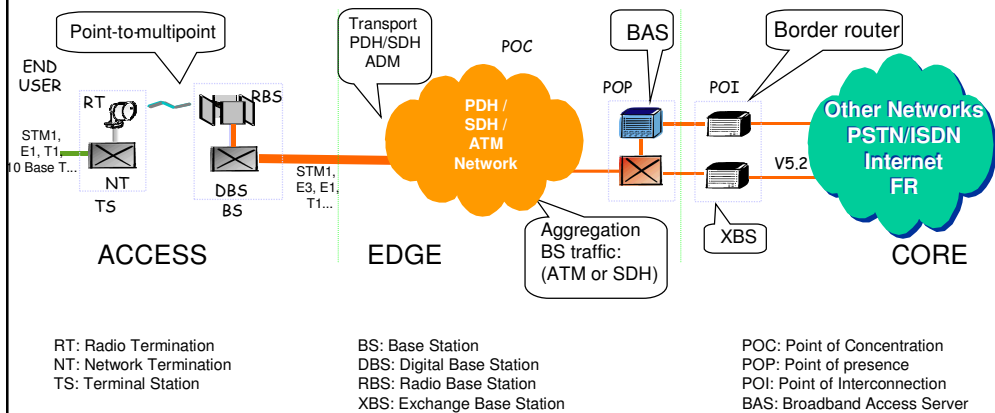
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## Access Network Architecture: LMDS



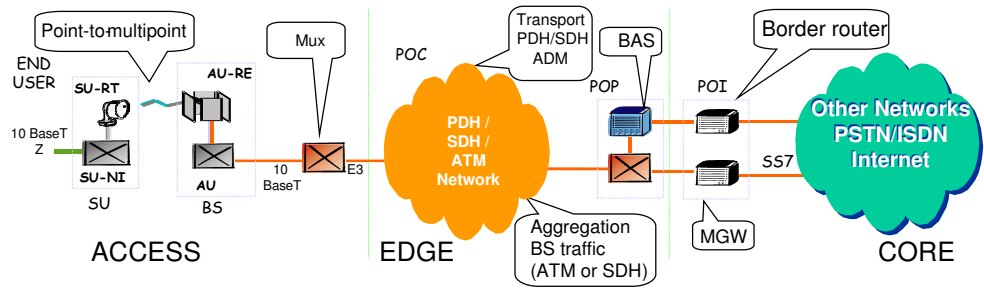
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# Access Network Architecture: WIP



SU: Subscriber Unit  
 SU-RT: Subscriber Unit Outdoor Unit  
 SU-NI: Subscriber Unit Indoor Unit

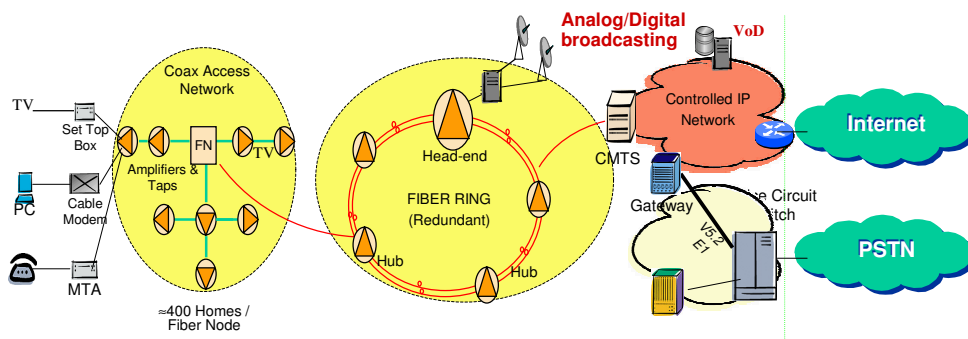
BS: Base Station  
 AU: Access Unit  
 AU-RE: Radio Front-end  
 MGW: Media Gateway

POC: Point of Concentration  
 POP: Point of presence  
 POI: Point of Interconnection  
 BAS: Broadband Access Server

**Note:** The current Network description shows the ATM approach (BAS is needed). A fully IP scenario is also feasible (BAS is not needed)



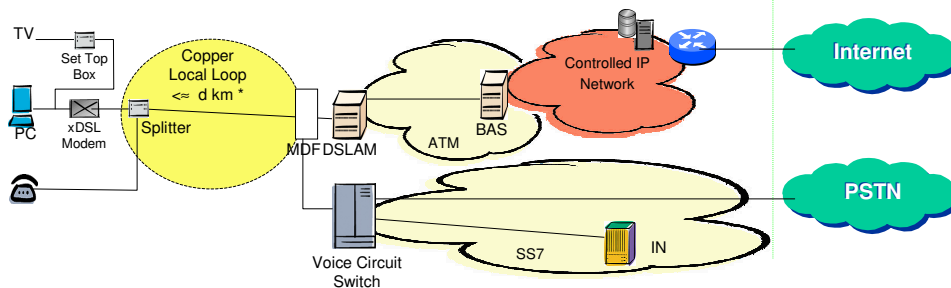
# Access Network Architecture: HFC



MTA: Multimedia Terminal Adapter  
 FN: Fiber Node  
 CMTS: Cable Modem Termination System  
 VoD: Video on Demand  
 IN: Intelligent Network



## Access Network Architecture: xDSL



\* Bandwidth/distances per solution

ADSL: up to 8 Mbps/800 kbps  $d \leq 3$  km

ADSL plus: up to 8 Mbps/800 kbps  $d \leq 4.5$  km

SHDSL: up to 2.3 Mbps symmetric  $d \leq 1.8$  km

VDSL: up to 52 Mbps Assym/ 26 Mbps Sym  $d \leq 300$ m

(In all cases, higher distances imply less bitrate following bandwidth shape curve)

MDF: Main Distribution Frame

DSLAM: Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexer

IN: Intelligent Network

BAS: Broadband Access Server

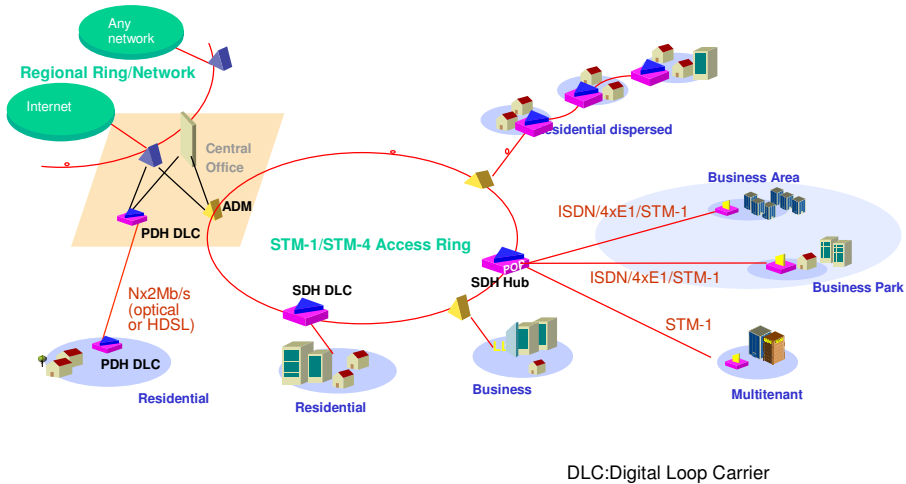
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## Access Network Architecture: Multiservice DLC



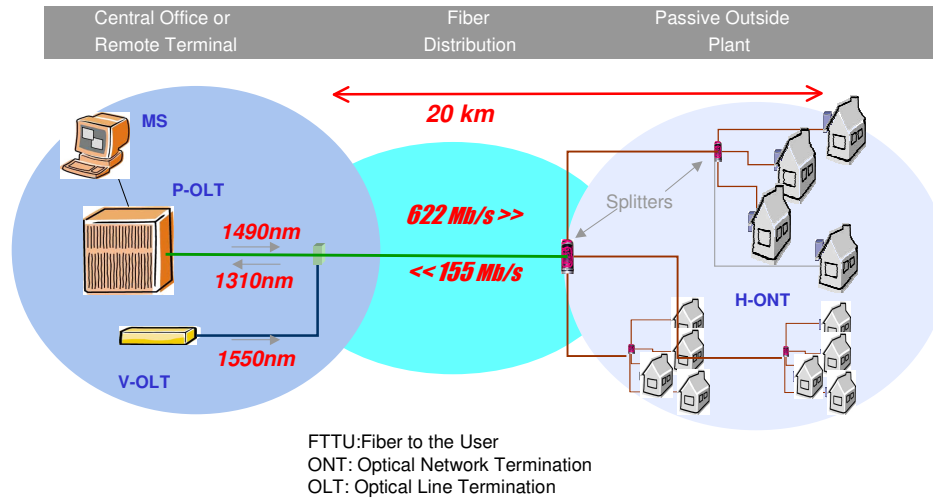
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## Access Network Architecture: FTTU



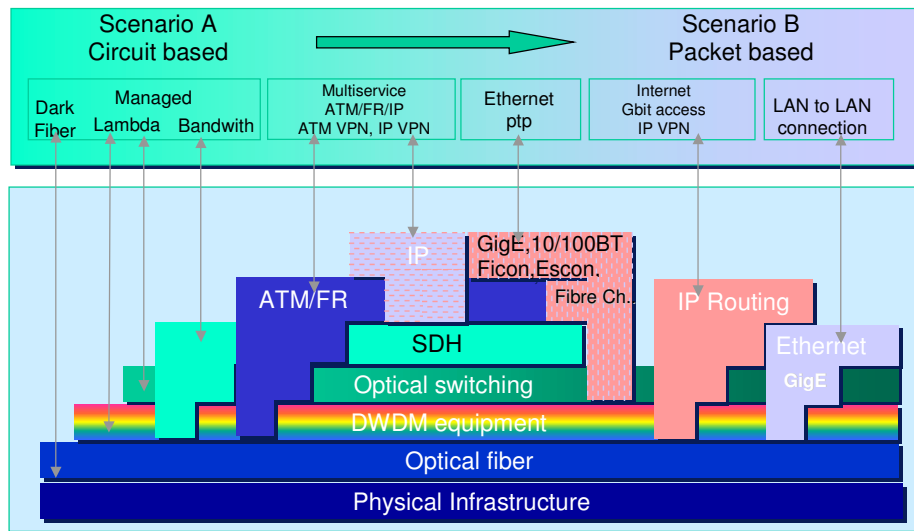
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## Network Architectures and Technologies: Technological alternatives at core



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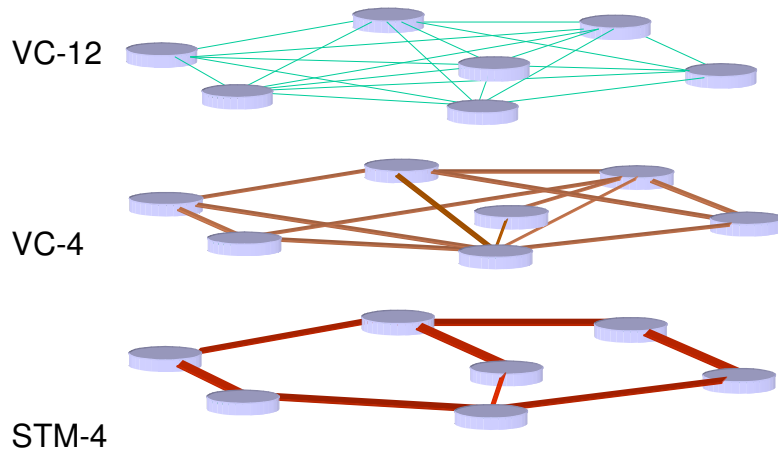
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## Multi-Layering in Transport Networks: Sub-layer relations



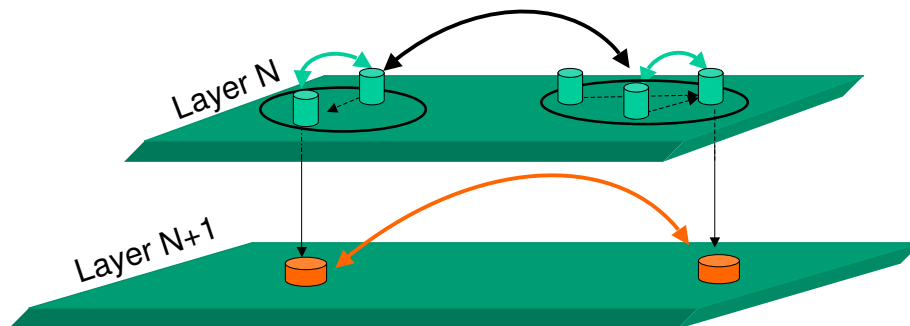
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## Multi-Layering in Transport Networks: Sub-layers composition



- ↔ Initial sub-layer N relation
- ↔ Composed sub-layer N+1 relation
- ↔ Composed sub-layer N relation

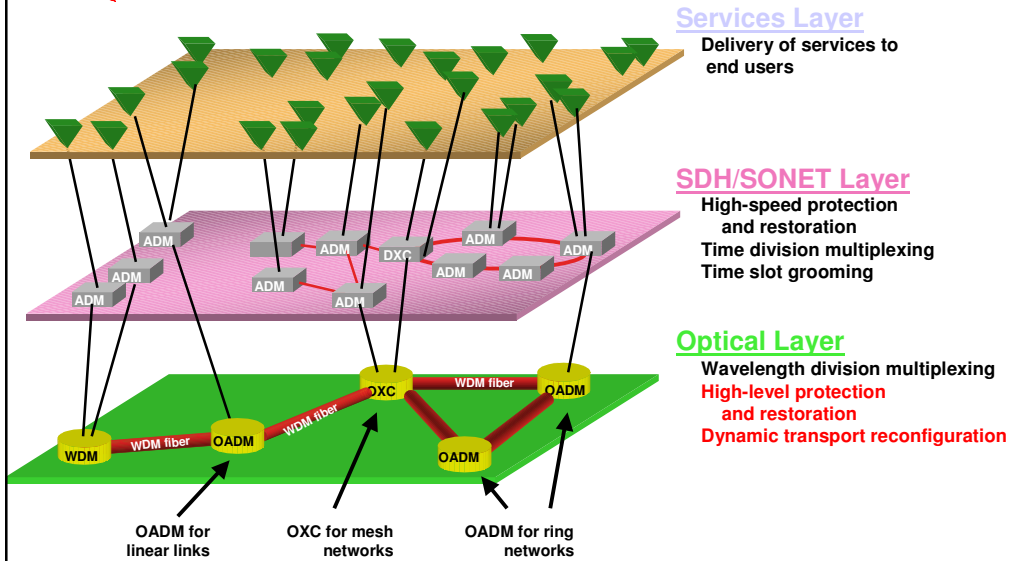
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## Multi-Layering in Transport Networks: Introduction of WDM



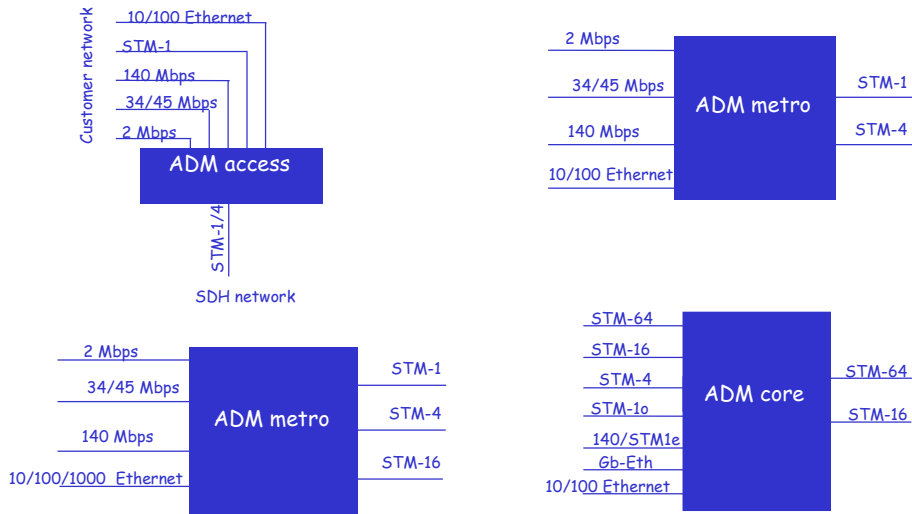
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## Transmission Network Architecture: ADM Network Elements



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## Network Architectures and Technologies: Trends in Transport Technology

### TODAY

Point-to-Point DWDM  
for backbone capacity

Predetermined  
Bandwidth Re-allocation

Network Design Specific to  
Type of Service Provided

Protection Provided Mainly  
by Sonet/SDH Layer



### TOMORROW

Intelligent Optical Networks  
for end-to-end service

Fast and efficient  
On-demand bandwidth

Multi-Service Optimized  
Network (IP/ATM/TDM)

Optical Layer Protection

- independent of service type
- adaptable to class of service



## Network Architectures and Technologies: Evolution towards NGN

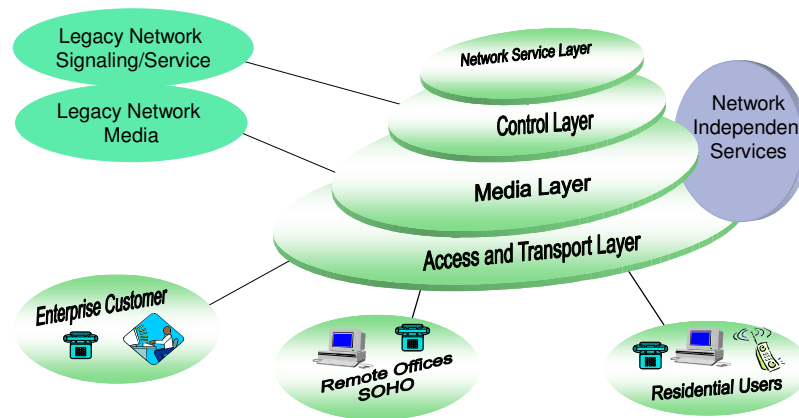
### *NGN concept*

- A **multi-service network** able to support voice, data and video
- A network with a control plane (signaling, control) **separated** from the transport/switching plane
- A network with **open interfaces** between transport, control and applications
- A network using **packet technology** ( IP) to transport of all kind of information
- A network with **guaranteed QoS** for different traffic types and SLAs



## Network Architectures and Technologies: Evolution towards NGN

### NGN layers



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## Network Architectures and Technologies: Evolution towards NGN

### NGN : Why

- **Flexibility** for service building and offering
- Expectation of **cost reductions** by sharing infrastructure and systems
- **Simplification of O&M**, thus lowering OPEX.
- Use of **open interfaces** leads for:
  - quick deployment of services and applications
  - new services (third parties)

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## Network Architectures and Technologies: Evolution towards NGN

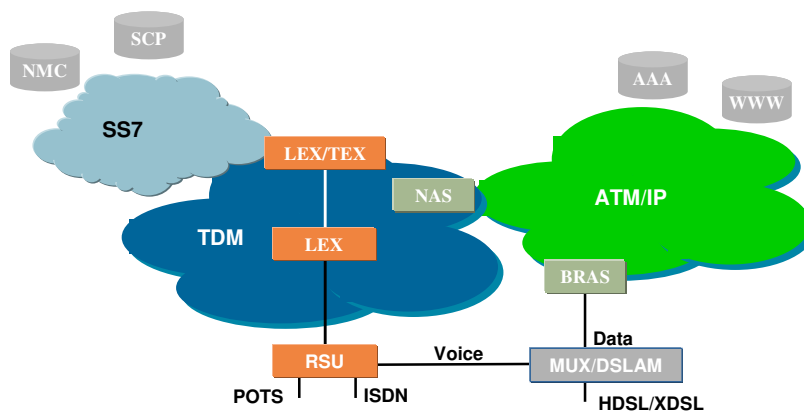
### *NGN : Issues today*

- Availability for all the functionalities within a public environment and carrier-grade service still needing “some time”
- QoS guarantee for high priority flows currently in evolution and standardization
- Security and Survivability being studied and needing explicit solutions and more emphasis
- Implementation of CAC mechanisms and inter-domain negotiations for end to end quality with some design differences and in evolution



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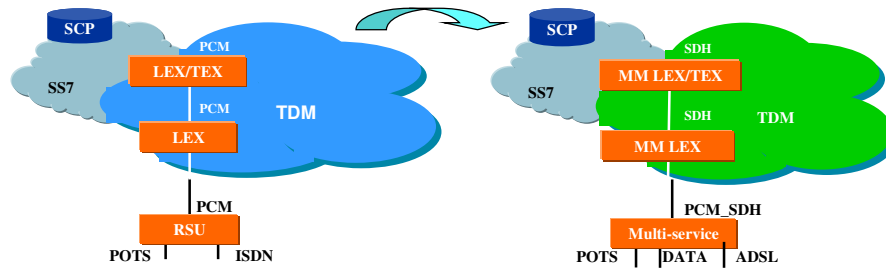
### *Today: Overlay Networks for Basic PSTN & Internet access*





## Network Architectures and Technologies: Evolution towards NGN

### First Step: Network consolidation & access optimization



- Low capacity (2000 PCM)
- TDM switching matrix
- Overwhelming data traffic



- Higher capacity (16.000 PCM)
- ATM switching matrix (80 Gbit/s)
- SDH-STM1 interfaces
- Data and ADSL integrated in the Multi-service access
- OPEX & CAPEX optimization

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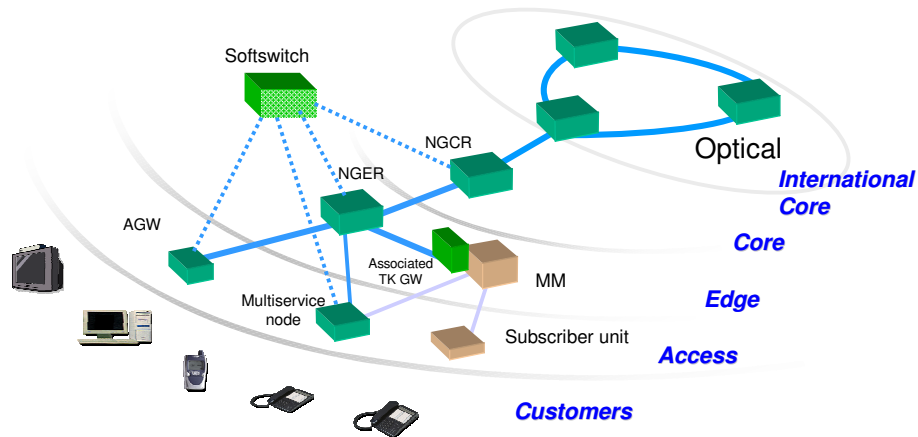
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### Second Step: Smooth migration to NGN



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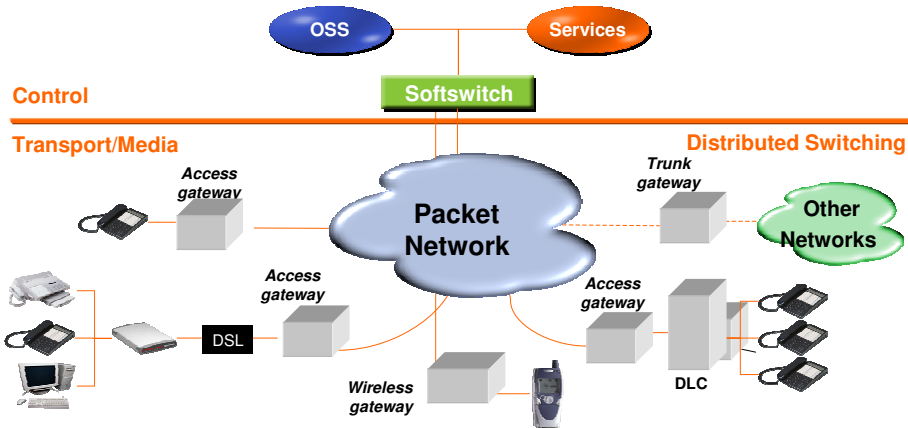
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## Network Architectures and Technologies: Evolution towards NGN

**Target : Converged networks**



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## Network Architectures and Technologies NGN: Cost drivers and trends

- Network **physical infrastructure** as a function of location and density (costs proportion around 70% in the access segment)
- **Volume** of customers per category
- **Bandwidth** demand per origin/destination
- Packet **processing rates** for control related functions
- **Variety** of applications/services and related platforms
- Content **storage** and location within the network
- **Leasing** of physical or communication resources

**Fundamental importance of economies of scale by volume and convergence at network resources, service platforms and OSS**

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## Network Architectures and Technologies NGN: Cost drivers and trends

### Cost trends for NGN

- Cost reduction in CAPEX due to technological economy of scale by larger capacities
- Similar values for costs in the physical civil infrastructure
- OPEX in NGN trends to be lower due to the integrated operation and maintenance
- Plan higher investments in security/survivability with diversity paths and protection for large capacity systems

**Check and validate correct cost modelling with fixed and variable components as a function of economy of scale**



## Network Architectures and Technologies: Evolution towards NGN

### ***NGN : Recommendations today***

- Ready to be applied in private multiservice data networks
- Ready for public data networks to integrate different "data applications"
- Optional for "small" alternative operators and multi-service environment
- Very careful planning (technical and economical) for operators with significant existing infrastructure and operations