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# Intelligent coordination between PON and FTTR: the pathway from gigabit to 10-gigabit

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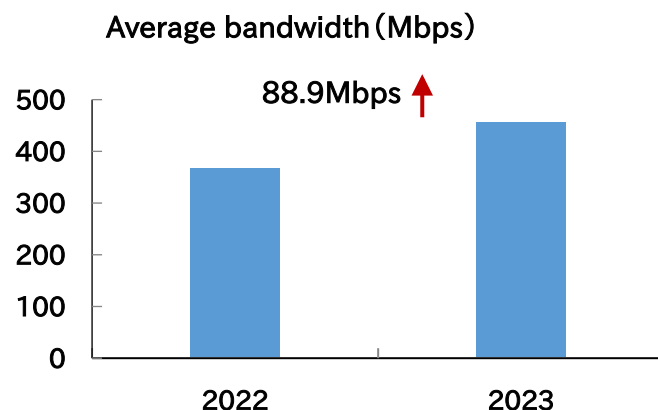
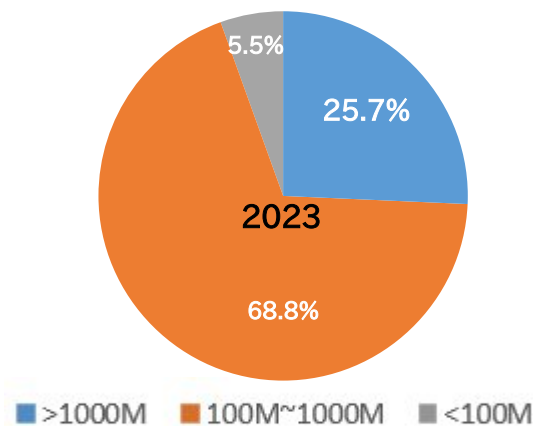
Requirements of 10-gigabit broadband

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Coordination of PON and FTTR

With the rapidly increasing of Gigabit optical access networks and users, the proportion of broadband customers with 1000+ Mbps reaches 25.7%

Gigabit broadband customers: 163 million (25.7%), over 10% increasing in 2023



- Average purchased bandwidth: 456.5 Mbps, 88.9Mbps higher compared to 2022 (Source: MIIT)

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## >300 million

Broadband users until Jan.2024

## >90 million

Gigabit users until the end of 2023

➤ **10-gigabit optical broadband era will arrive in the near future!**

With the rapid development of new services, optical access network abilities of 10-gigabit bandwidth, low latency and network slicing are necessary

## New services and experiences

2D video ↔ 3D video

1D/2D sensing ↔ 3D sensing

No interaction ↔ Full scene interaction



## New architecture and requirements

large bandwidth

low latency

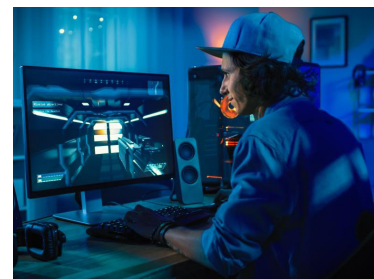
network slicing



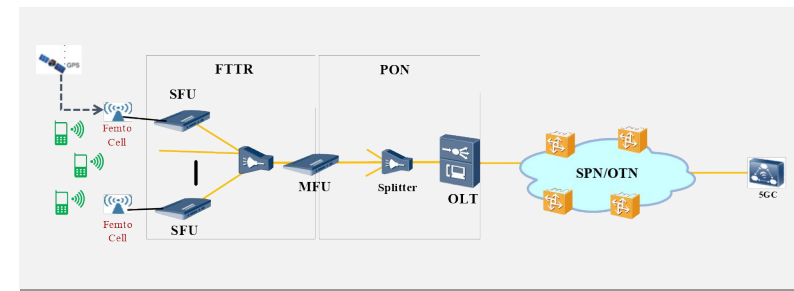
### HD live streaming/XR metaverse



### Online cloud storage/gaming



### 5G femto cell backhaul

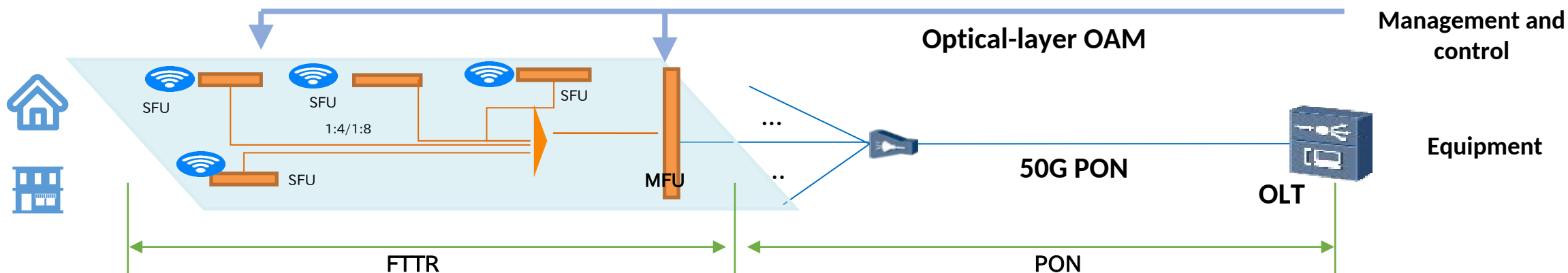


Resolution	4K	8K	XR
Bandwidth	≥50Mbps	≥200Mbps	≥180Mbps
Latency	≤50ms	≤20ms	≤10ms

Service	Multimedia Netdisk	Resolution:3840*2160 Frame rate:60
Bandwidth	≥500Mbps	≥600Mbps
Latency	≤20ms	≤10ms

Station type	4T4R
Peak Bandwidth	2.8 Gbps
Latency	<350us
Time synchronization	±50ns

Based on 50G PON+FTTR+WiFi7 to construct 10-gigabit networks with end-to-end network slicing to guarantee the user experience



## 1 50G PON

- Speeding up of 10-gigabit optical broadband network: 10G PON -> 50G PON
- Accelerating 50G PON industry maturity

## 2 FTTR

- Fiber extended to the rooms: 10-gigabit to home->gigabit to 10-gigabit to room
- OAM mechanism of PON extended to room, end-to-end centralized management and control

## 3 Intelligent coordination

- Collaborative networking of PON and FTTR, end-to-end network slicing
- WiFi networking based on scheduling

- As the optical basis of next generation of optical access system, except bandwidth increase, 50G PON also provides low latency and network slicing
- By far, the global standards of 50G PON is completed, the equipment is under development

## Requirements of 50G PON for CMCC

### High bandwidth

- Over **x4** bandwidth per PON port
- 50Gb/s in DS, **25/50Gb/s in US**

### Low latency

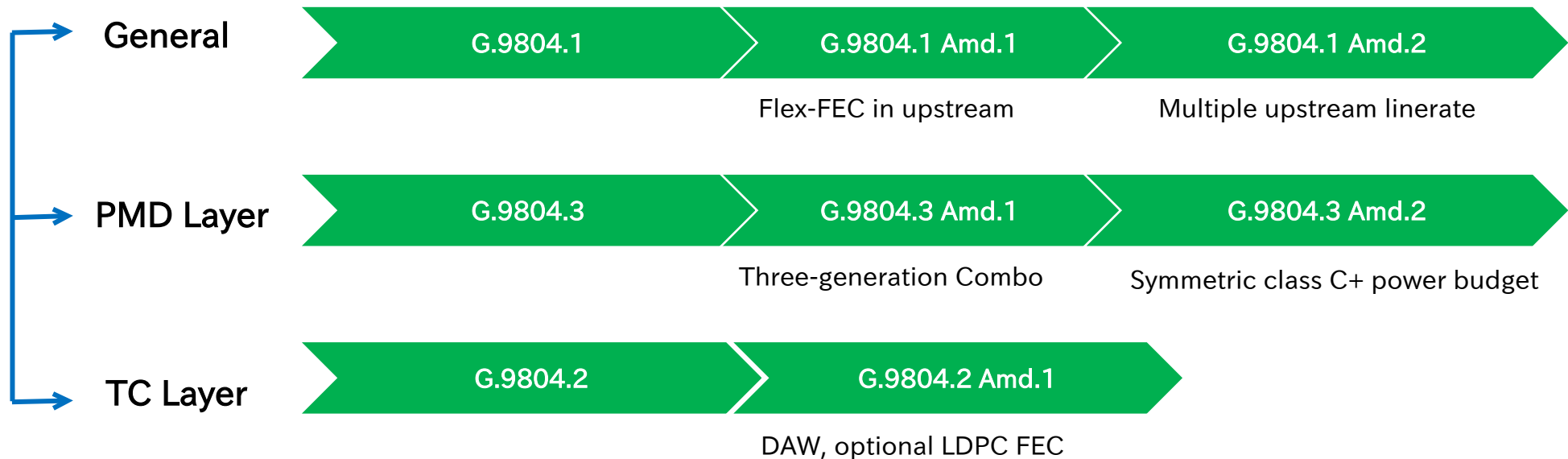
- To satisfy the requirement of time-sensitive scenarios
- PON latency: **<350us**

### Network slicing

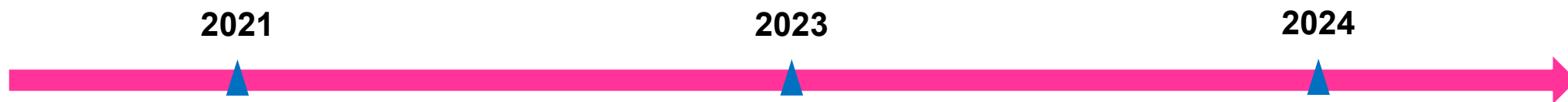
- Support differentiated services using PON slicing
- Guaranteed performances for high-level services



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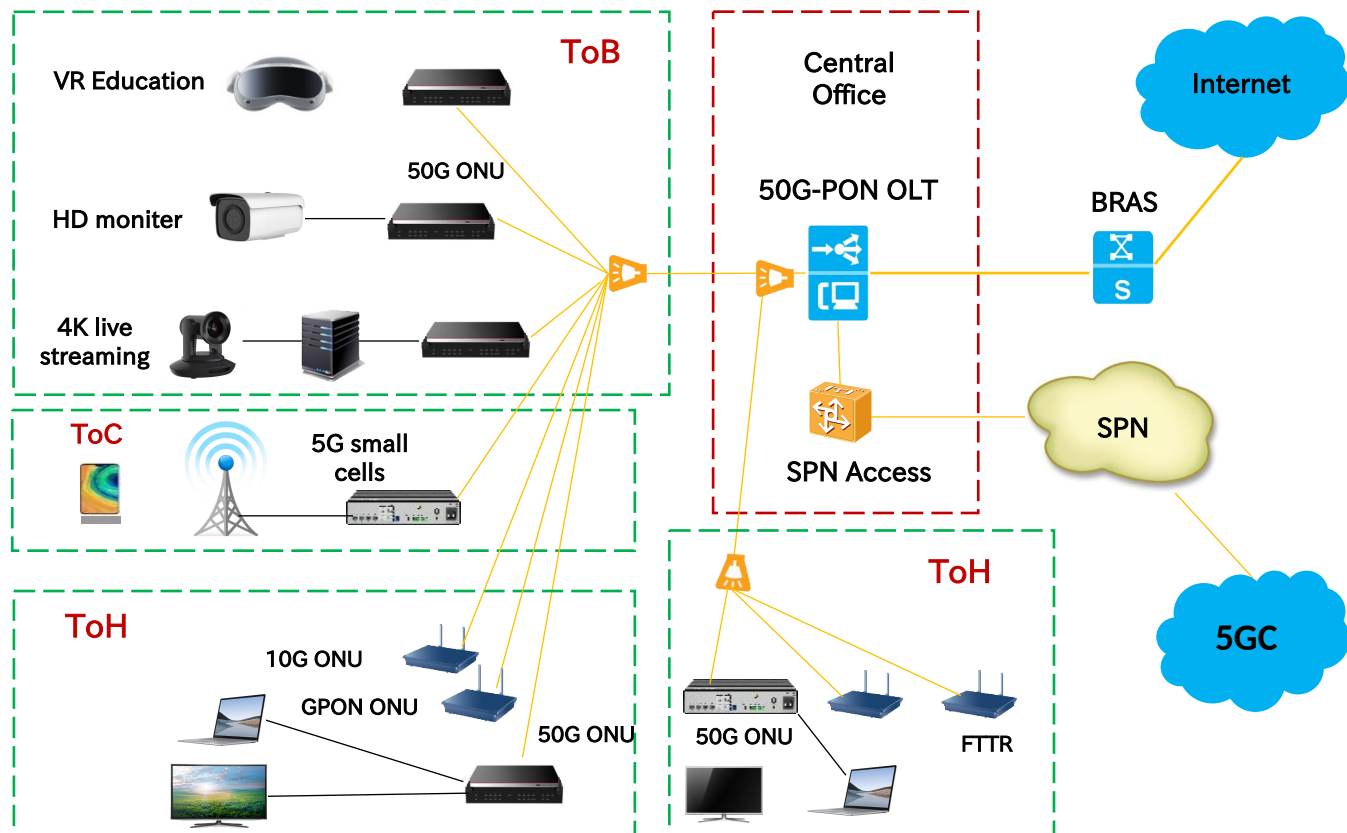
# Recent progress of 50G PON techniques of CMCC



**2021**  
First asymmetric 50G PON based 5G small cell backhaul

**2023**  
First symmetric 50G PON ToH/ToC field trail

**2024**  
First commercial three-generation 50G PON multi-services field trail



**First three-generation full-linerate 50G PON based ToB/ToC/ToH multi-services field trail in CMCC Hebei province**

### Bandwidth

- ✓ Service bandwidth in both direction: 40Gb/s

### Coexistence

- ✓ MPM coexistence with GPON and 10G PON on the field

### Power budget

- ✓ Support class C+ power budget
- ✓ 1:64 split ratio and 20km fiber transmission

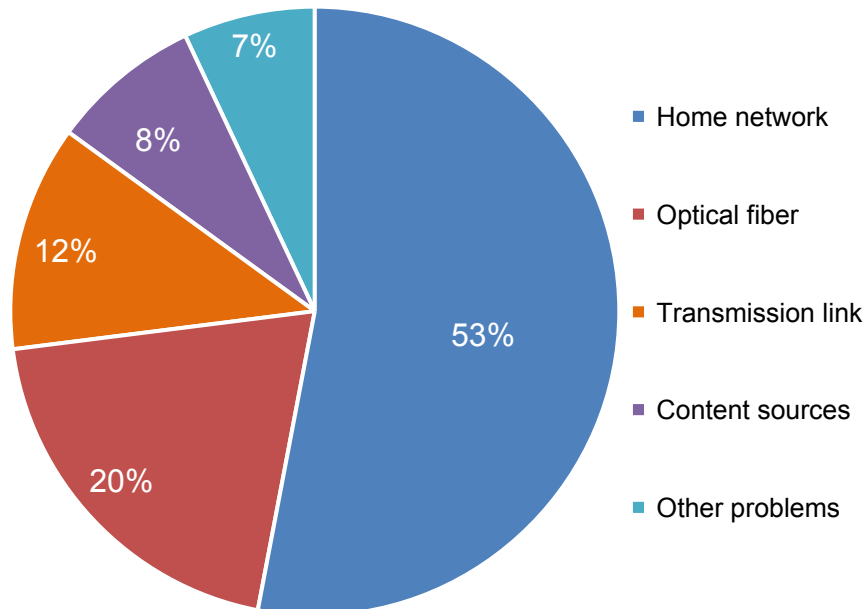
### Latency

- ✓ Average latency in upstream direction: **<200us**



- Challenges: Issues impacting on customers QoE mostly occurs in the last 100 meters.
- Requirements: To build end-to-end Gigabit to 10-gigabit optical network reaching rooms and meanwhile extend optical access network ability with cooperative Wi-Fi networking.

## With 50G PON alone cannot guarantee the 10-gigabit experience of broadband user



According to the reason proportion of operator's customer reports: 53% of the reports are related with the **quality of home networks** (source: MIIT)

## Optical infrastructure extension from FTTH to FTTR



- Gigabit to 10-gigabit seamless coverage extended to the rooms
- Optical-layer OAM mechanism of PON extended to the rooms

## Coordinated networking to Improve customer experience



- Collaborative networking of PON and FTTR, end-to-end slicing
- Collaboration between optical link and Wi-Fi



For high-value services, PON+FTTR intelligent collaboration is needed to be promoted to achieve an E2E network slicing

## PON and FTTR collaboration

## Optical link and Wi-Fi collaboration

### Use cases

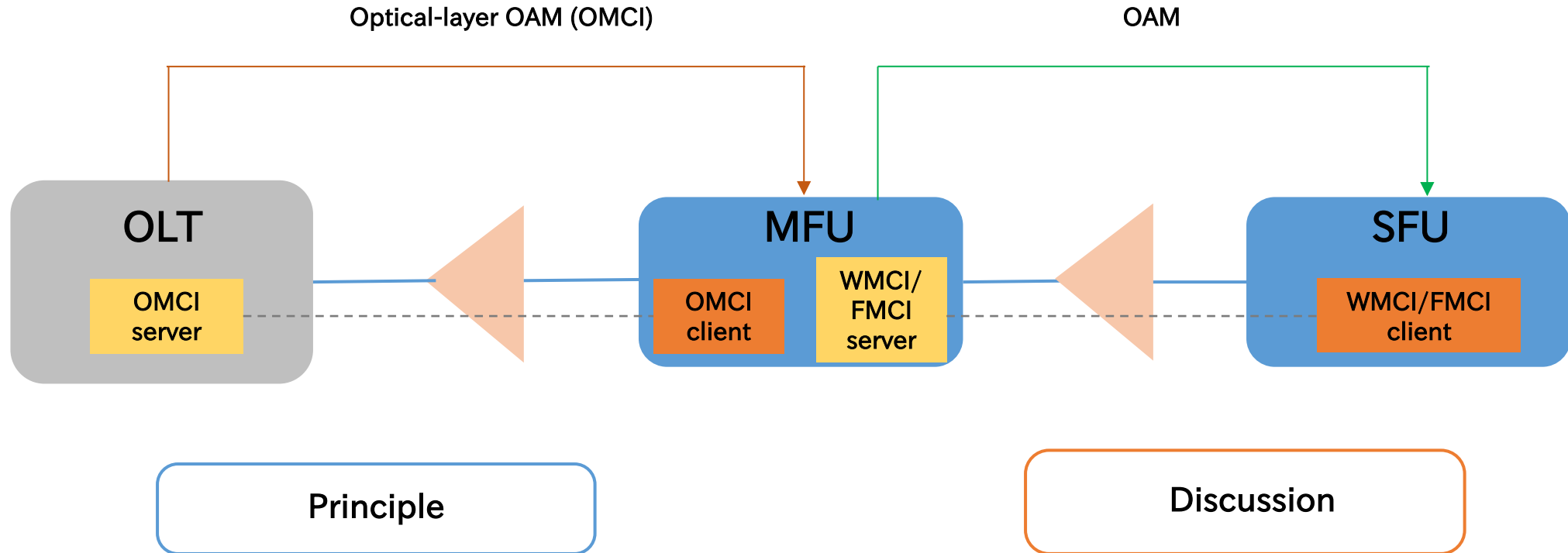
- Supports remote management for both MFU and SFU once the optical fiber is connected
- Establish third-party higher layer management system to control the entire network
- SFU authentication at the OLT side, to make the access section and home section more secure
- Discover network topology from access section to home network section
- Diagnose and locate network problems from access section to home section
- Establish a remote management channel with higher priority

### New approach: remote management

- OMCI server in the OLT to manage both the MFUs and the SFUs

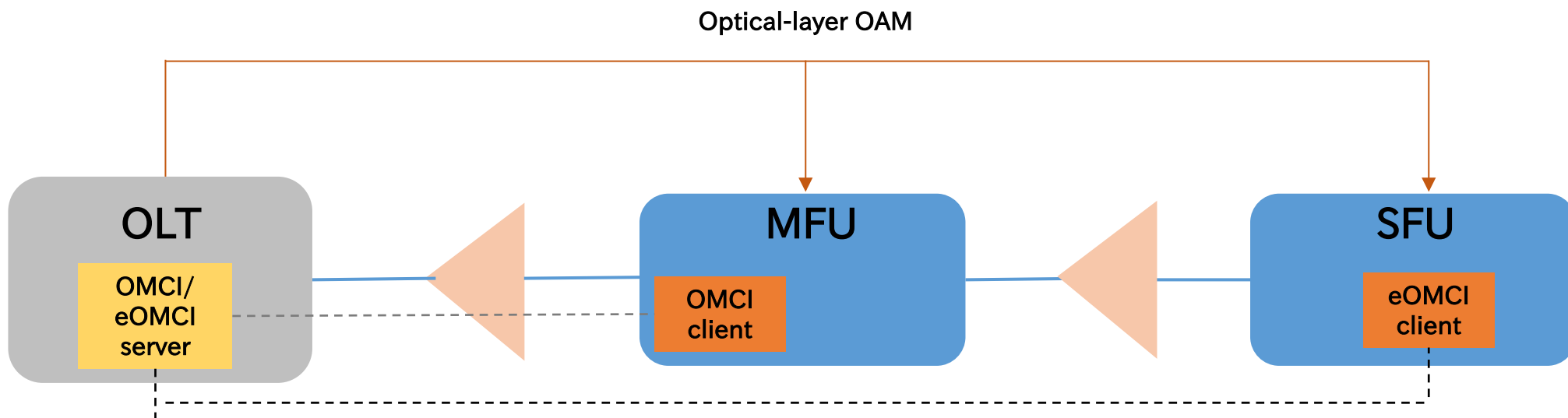


- ✓ More reliable and real-time management
- ✓ Reuse of the management model and MEs of the ONU



- MFU performs as an OMCI proxy to manage SFUs.
- The access segment uses OMCI between the OLT server and the MFU client.
- The home segment uses the WMCI together with FMCI between the MFU server and the SFU client.

- Lots of additional MEs required to support the management of the entire FTTR network by the OLT
- The interoperability of OMCI in the access segment cannot directly applied to the FTTR segment



## Principle

Extended OAM channel is composed of both OLT-MFU and MFU-SFU segments

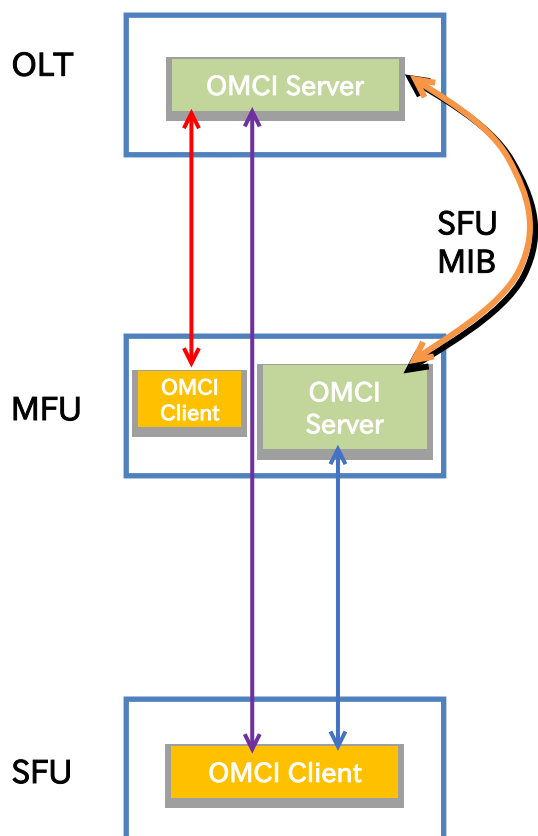
- p Maximumly reuse of the PON optical-link management channel, such as OMCC and MEs
- p Isolated from data channel and has the highest priority

## Discussion

- p Take the advantages of existing management model and MEs of the ONU
- p Simplify the logical functions of the MFU since the message is directly pass to the SFUs
- p Improve the interoperability between OLT and FTTR

# Progress of FTTR based on extended OMCI

- Prototype supporting optical-layer OAM was demonstrated in 2022, and relevant standard items have been initiated in CCSA and ITU-T SG15 Q2/Q3 by 2023
- Call for accelerating the progress of optical-layer OAM solution and standards



## Technology

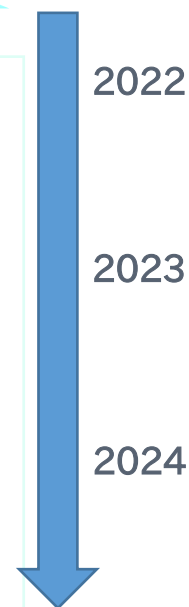
- Propose the concept of optical-layer OAM
- Optical-layer OAM architecture and interface protocols are basically completed in enterprise standard
- Further enrich the interface functions

## Industry

- The interoperability of eOMCI protocol was basically realized between FTTR and OLT
- In 2023, completed precommercial trials in 3 provinces and small-scale deployment: **Nokia, Huawei, ZTE, Fiberhome**

## Standard

- Optical layer OAM standard started in ITU-T and CCSA
- Accelerate the progress of optical-layer OAM solution and standards

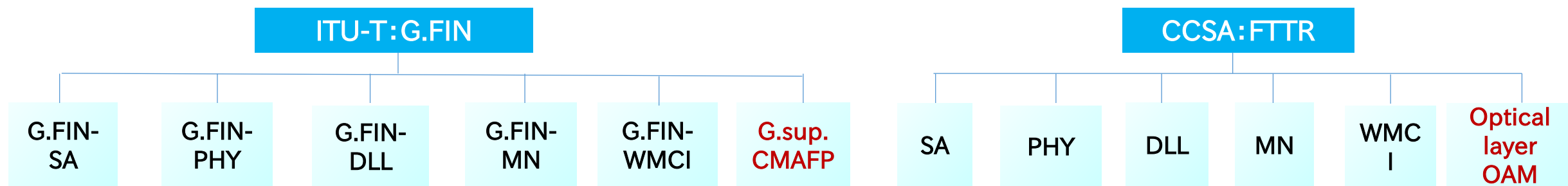


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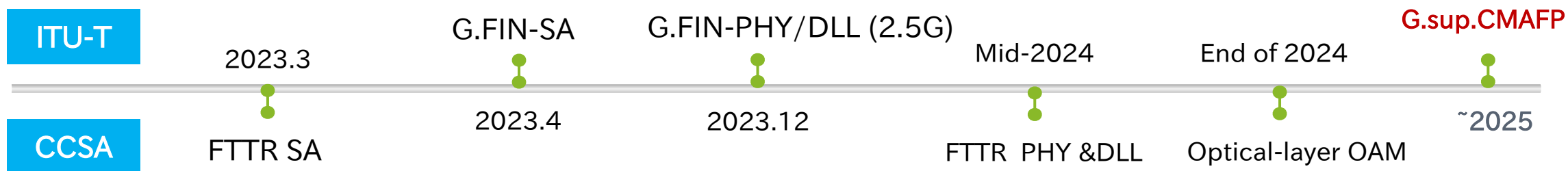
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# Progress of FTTR standards

- p The FTTR standard system in both ITU-T and CCSA has been established and achieved significant progress
- p G.sup.CMAFP (coordinated management of access and fibre in premises networks) was initiated in Q2/Q3 SG15, to investigate the unified management of PON and FTTR



- p G. FIN-SA, G. FIN-PHY and G. FIN-DLL(2.5G) have been approved



- ρ Coordinated 50G PON+FTTR is the technical framework of next generation optical access network, which can realize end-to-end network slicing and guaranteed experience of gigabit to 10-gigabit services.
- ρ The standardization and technology development of coordinated PON and FTTR using optical layer OAM is desirable, as well as the investigation of use cases and technical requirements.



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