



Optical Time-Frequency Packing

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outline

spectral efficient transmission

Time-Frequency-Packing

field trial description



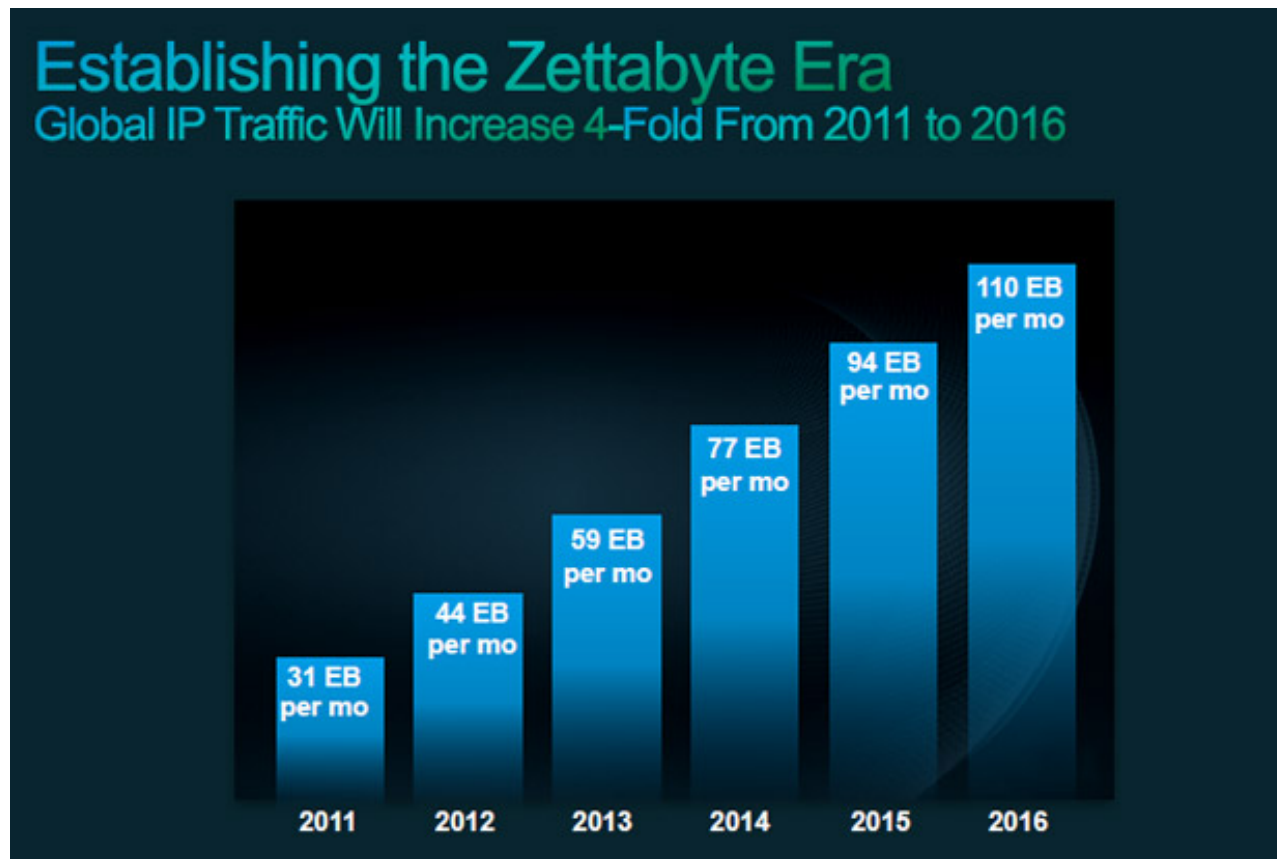
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TFP vs NWDM



motivations



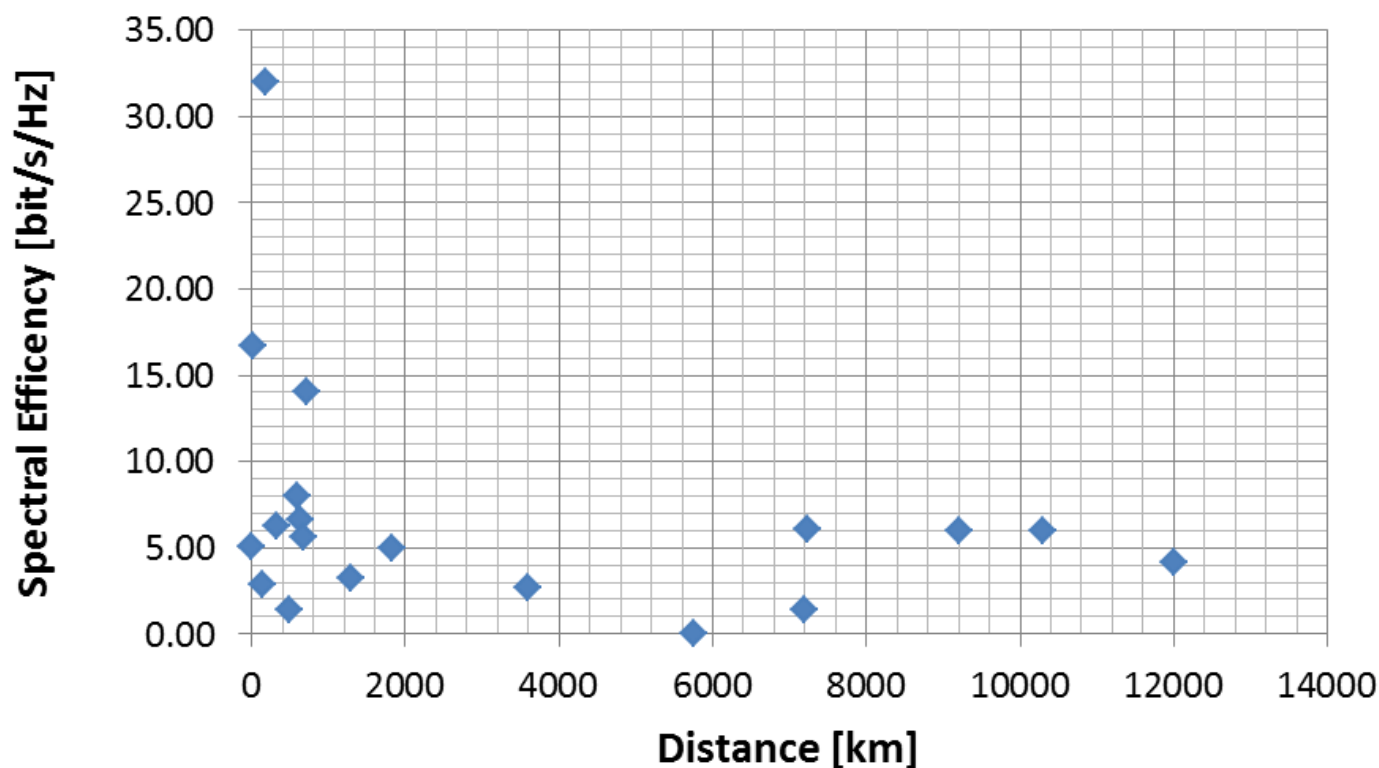
Exabyte per month

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state of the art

	Symbol Rate [Gbaud]	Bit rate [Gb/s] (single channel)	Capacity [Gbit/s]	Spectral Efficiency	Reached distance [km]	Reference	Reference
Verizon	24.8	120	40500	4.94	1822	A. Tanaka et al.	PDP5A.4 (OFC13)
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TE SubCom	32	200	21200	6	10290	H. Zhang et al.	PDP5A.6 (OFC13)

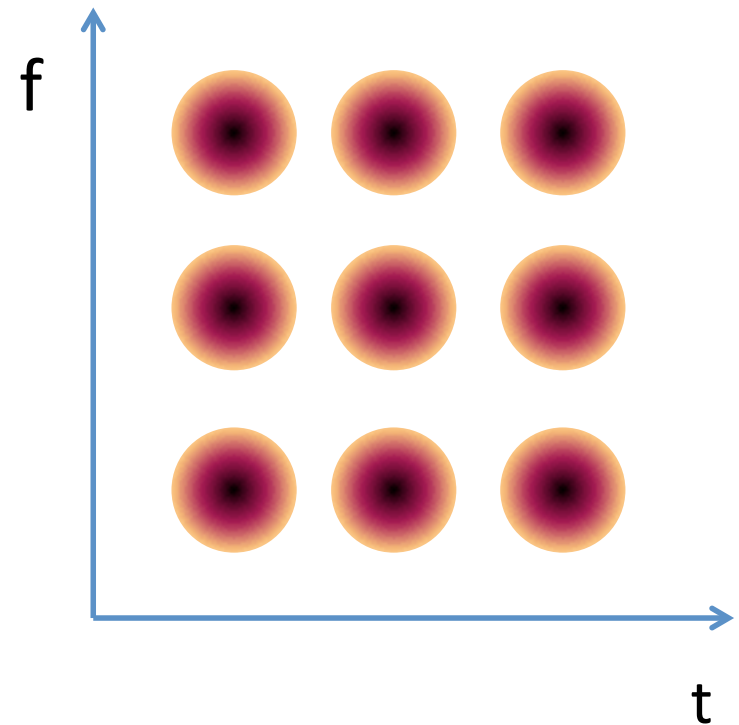
TE SubCom	PDP5A.6 (OFC13)
Bell Labs ALU/UPC/L	PDP5a.1 (OFC13)
Eindhoven/Nokia Si	OW11.5 (OFC13)
NICT	OW11.1 (OFC13)
Tohoku University Ja	OTu4E.1 (OFC13)
Alcatel Lucent Bell la	OTu4E.2 (OFC13)
Alcatel Lucent Bell la	OTu4E.3 (OFC13)
AT&T/OFS	OTu2B.4 (OFC13)
NEC	JTh2A.37 (OFC13)
CPqD	JTh2A.39 (OFC13)
ZTE	JW2A.43 (OFC13)
Xtera Communicati	JTh2A.42 (OFC13)
Alcatel-Lucent	JW2A.40 (OFC13)
NEC	NW4E.1 (OFC13)
Research Institute	OTu4E.4 (OFC13)
TE SubCom	OTu2B.3 (OFC13)



spectral efficient transmission taxonomy

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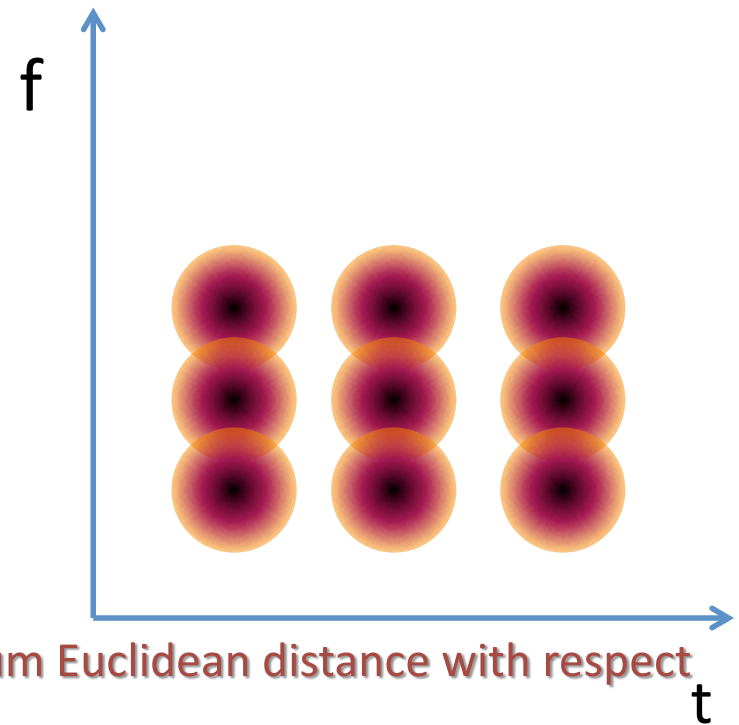
Single/Multiple carriers, which may overlap in frequency and/or time

Faster-Than-Nyquist (FTN) [1]

Design criterion: no reduction of the minimum Euclidean distance with respect to the Nyquist case

Time-Frequency-Packing (TFP) [2]

Design criterion: maximum spectral efficiency with a design constrained receiver complexity



- [1] F. Rusek and J. B. Anderson, "The two dimensional Mazo limit," in Proc. IEEE International Symp. Inform. Theory, Sept. 2005
- [2] G. Colavolpe, T. Foggi, A. Modenini, and A. Piemontese, "Faster-than-Nyquist and beyond: how to improve spectral efficiency by accepting interference," OSA Opt. Express, vol. 19, pp. 26600-26609, December 2011.

underlying Information theory

Info
SE=

F= fre

T=tim

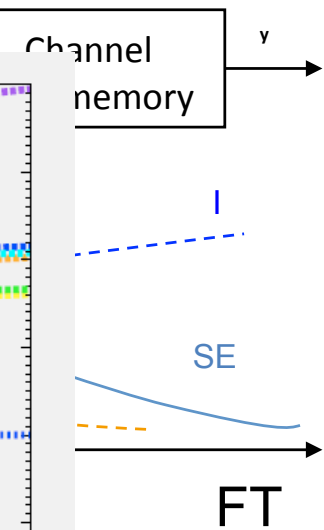
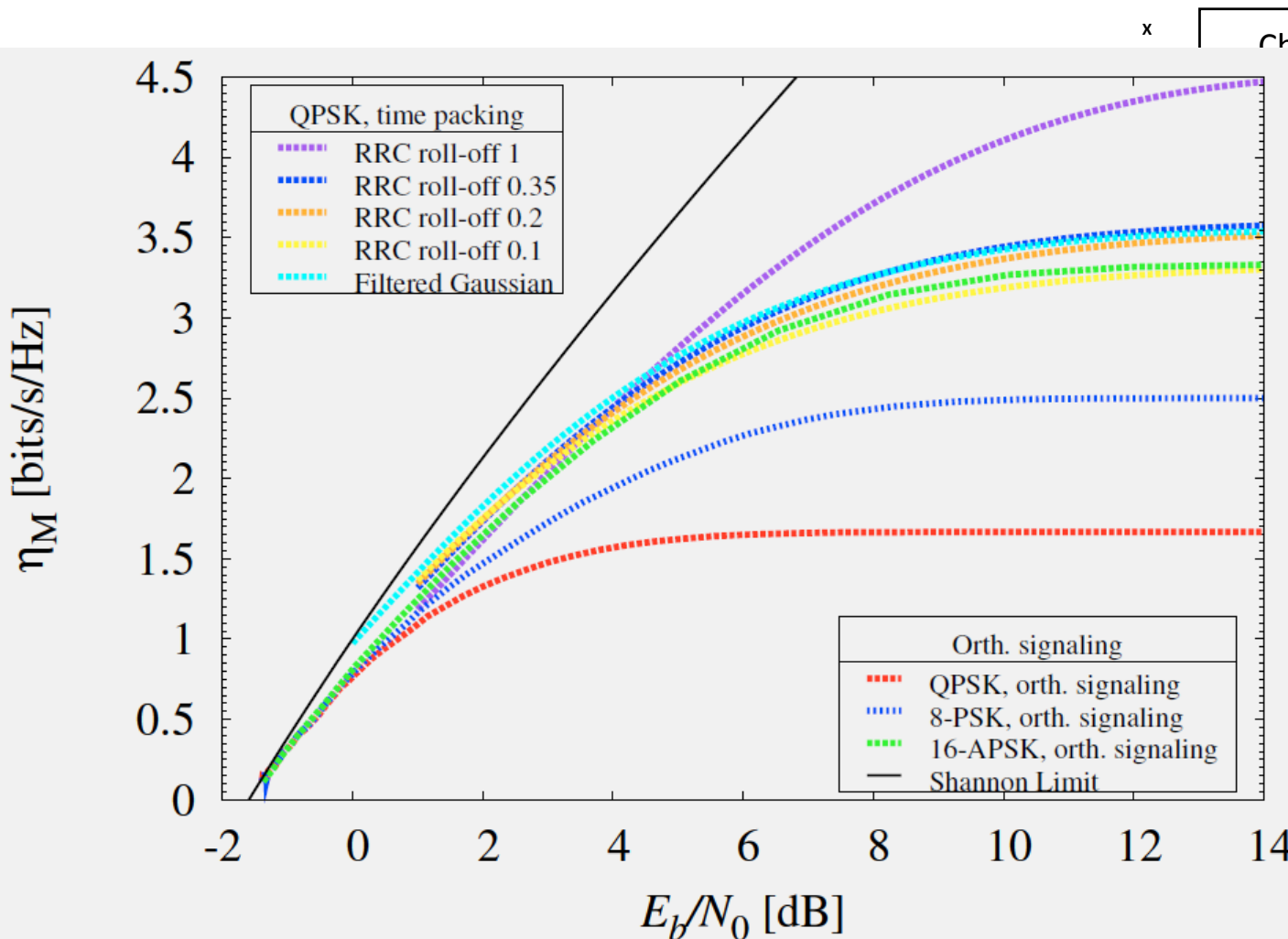
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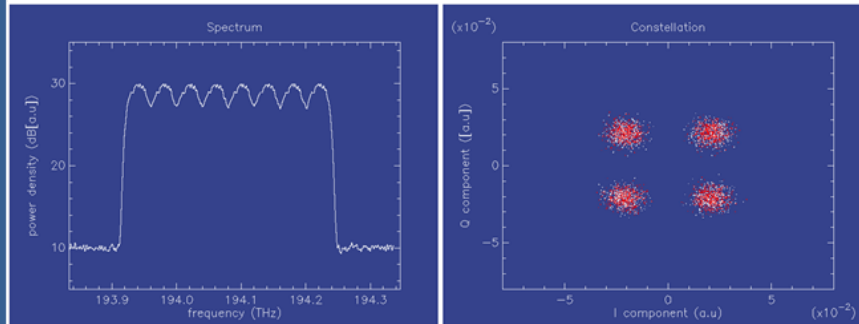
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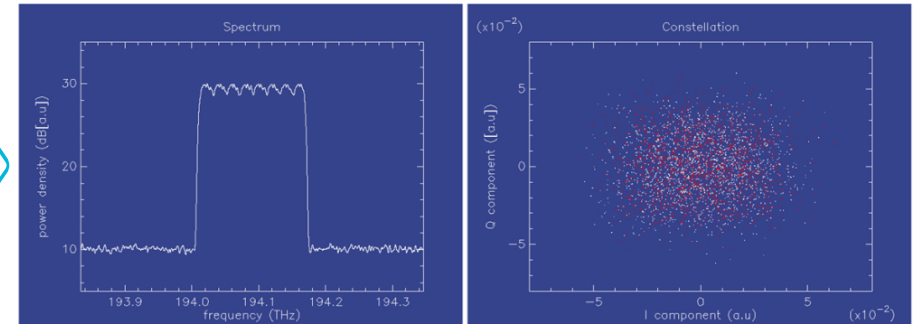
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time packing example

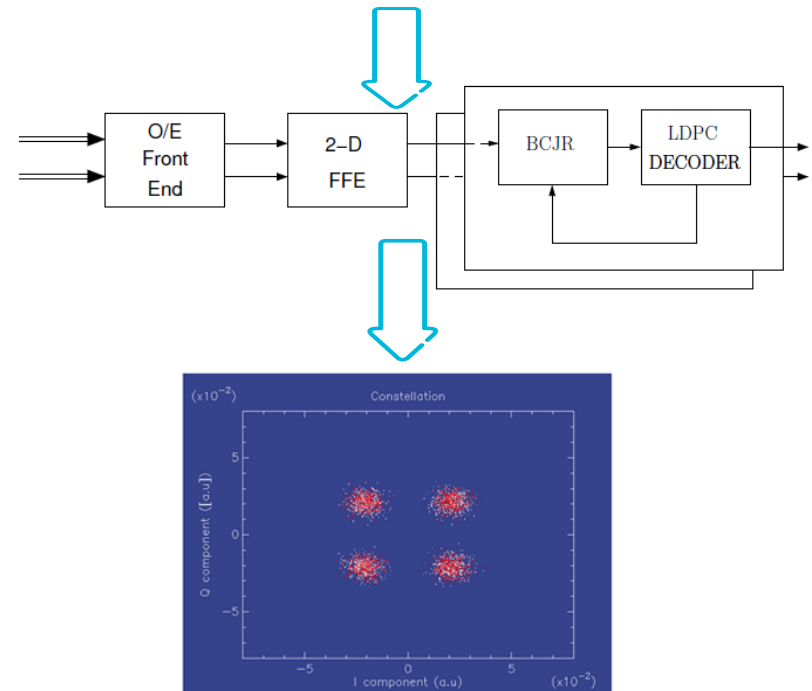
conventional orthogonal QPSK transmission



time packed non-orthogonal signaling



- › At the Tx the carriers are LDPC encoded, narrow filtered and ultra-densely spaced in frequency
- › At the Rx, a conventional coherent front end is followed by an equalizer, a trellis BCJR decoder and a LDPC decoder
- › BCJR and LDPC blocks iteratively exchange information until the correct bit sequence is detected
- › A light outer FEC can easily compensate for LDPC error floors

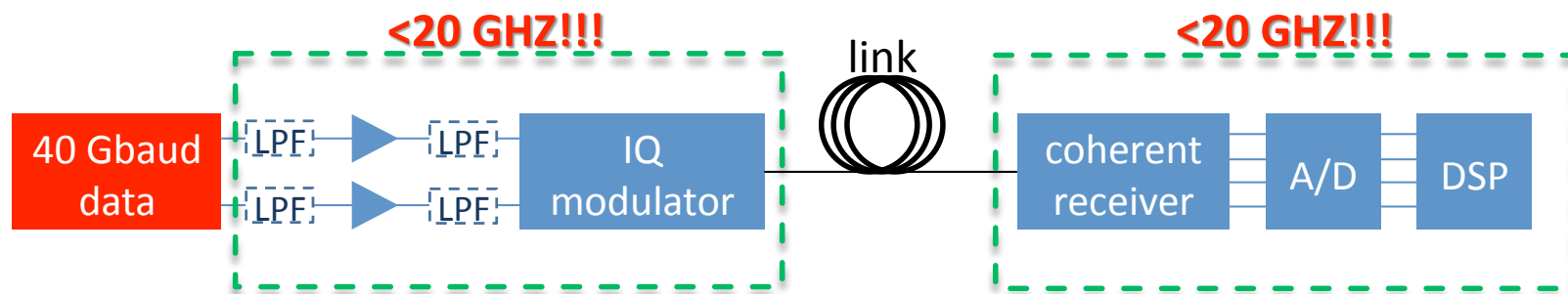


why Time-Frequency-Packing

- Compared to OFDM
 - No cyclic prefix, less sensitive to phase noise, more resilient to non-linearities, modular and scalable
- Compared to Nyquist WDM
 - Similar technology but more spectral efficient (lower cut-off frequency)
- Compared to traditional “Faster than Nyquist”
 - Receiver complexity fixed by design to enable implementation

two additional benefits:

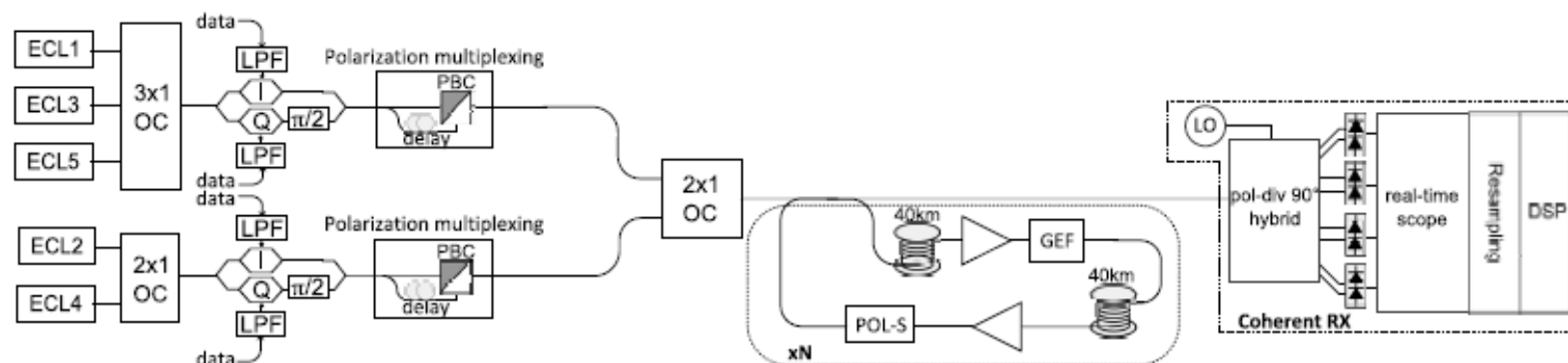
1. flexibility (adaptive code rate)
2. lower electronic and optoelectronic bandwidth requirements (power consumption)



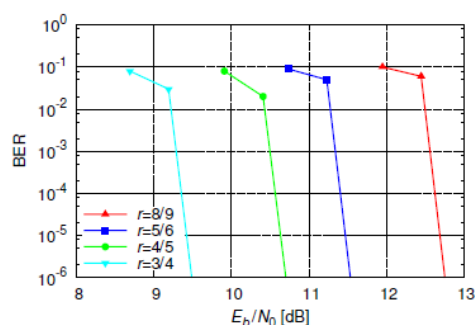
How TFP works

- Set the desired input constellation (e.g., QPSK) and detector complexity
- Find the optimum time and frequency spacing which provides the maximum achievable SE
- Select a proper code to approach as close as desired the achievable SE

Experimental demonstration

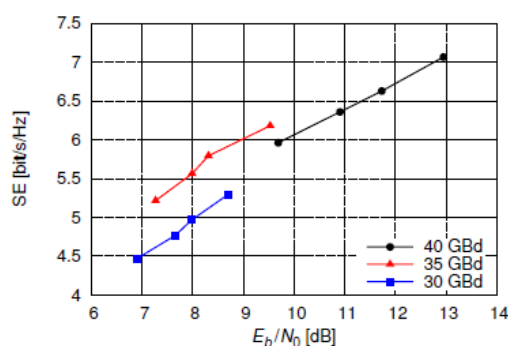


Experimental setup

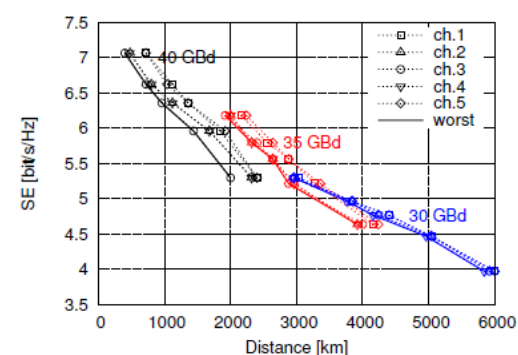


Experimental back-to-back performances of the TFP system :
BER 40 GBd DP-QSK

[3] [arXiv:1411.6892](https://arxiv.org/abs/1411.6892)



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Achieved SE with 40 GBd, 35 GBd and 30 GBd DPQPSK

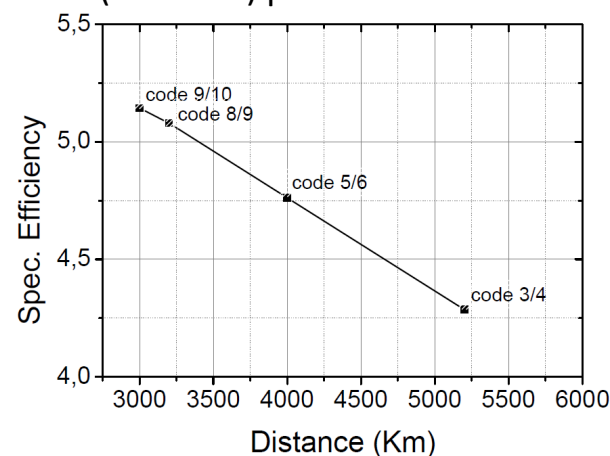


Experimentally achieved SE vs reached distance with 40 GBd, 35 GBd and 30 GBd DPQPSK

Time-Frequency-Packing in long haul

developed by CNIT, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, and Ericsson [3-4]

- Long reach combined with high spectral efficiency
- Highly modular architecture enabling energy efficient aggregation of parallel data flows
 - More spectral efficient and simpler than OFDM (no phase synch, less overhead, simple ADC)
- Ultra Long Haul
 - > 5000 km demonstrated in lab with SMF, not achievable with 16QAM
- SW adaptable line rate for easy traffic planning and protection
 - 62% distance increase (5200 km) possible with 15% reduced line rate – demonstrated in lab



[3] L. Potì, G. Meloni, G. Berrettini, F. Fresi, M. Secondini, T. Foggi, G. Colavolpe, E. Forestieri, A. D'Errico, F. Cavaliere, R. Sabella, G. Prati, "Casting 1 Tb/s DP-QPSK Communication into 200 GHz Bandwidth", ECOC 2012, June 2012, Amsterdam.

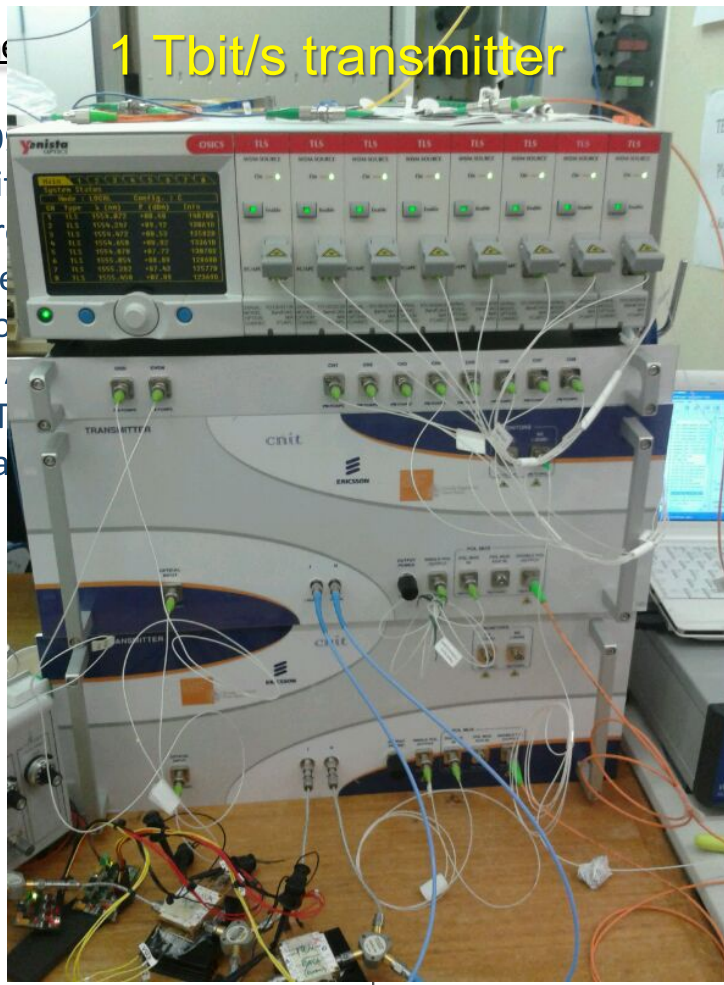
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field trial description

Melbourne

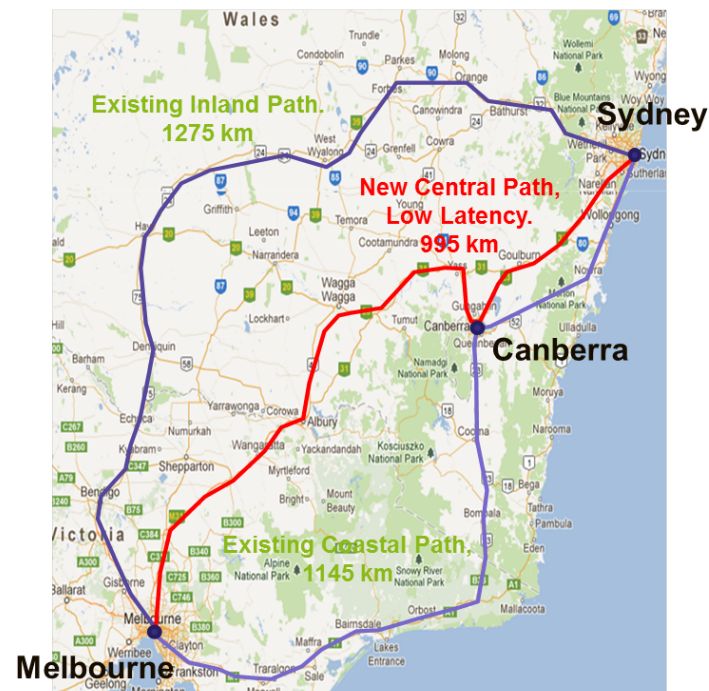
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- Recover e
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- Increase
- Provide T
- Provide a

1 Tbit/s transmitter



100 km

Lonsdale



55 km

53 km

40 km

67 km

53 km

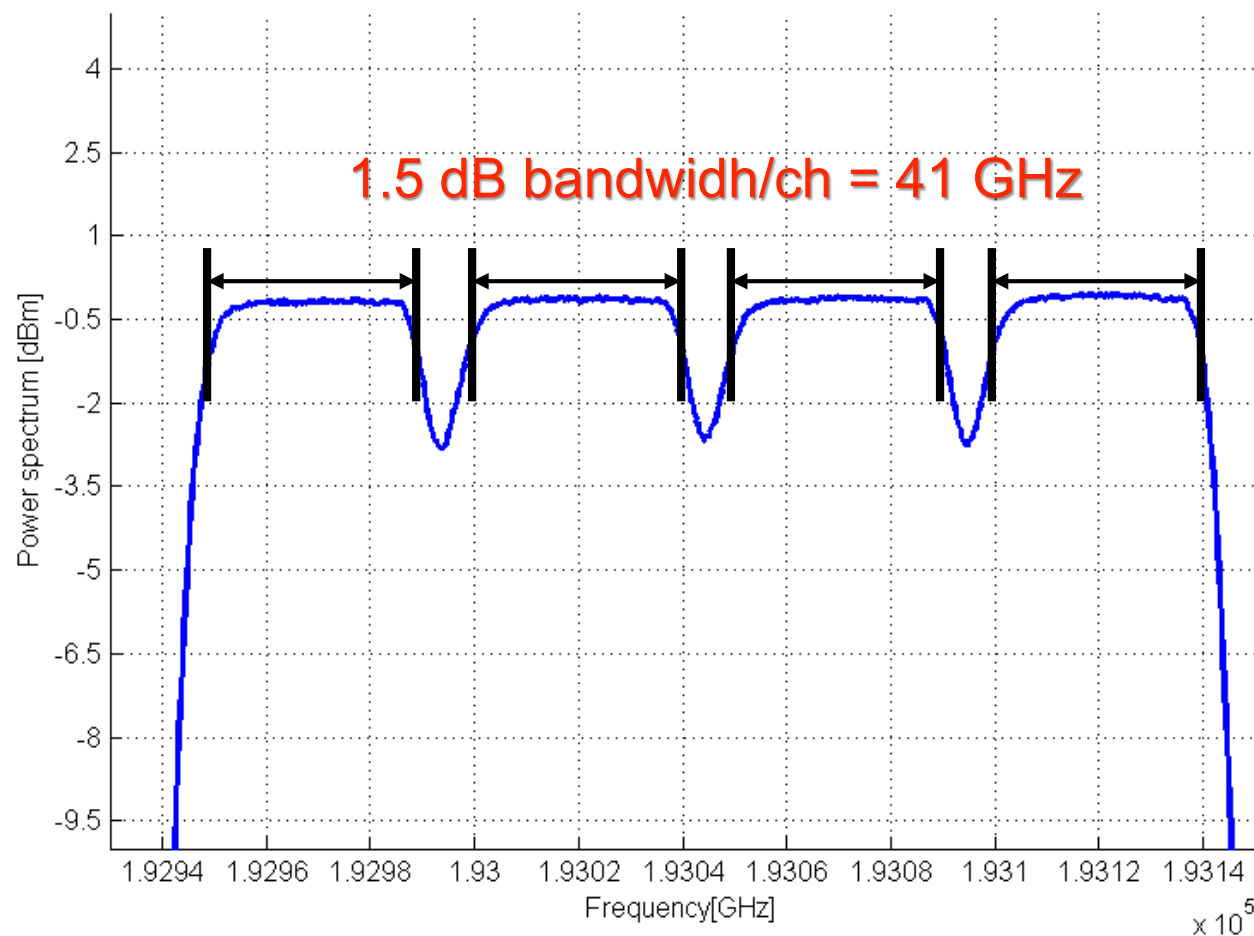
75 km

Angaratta

receiver

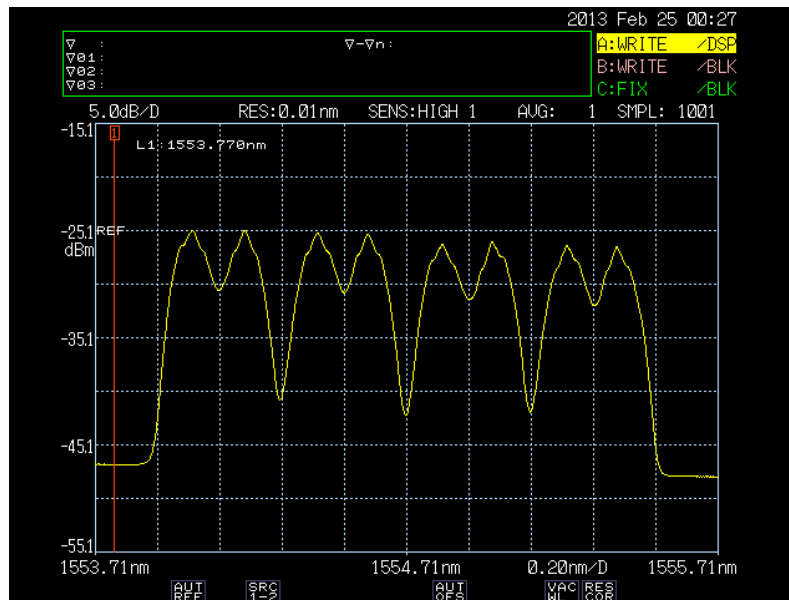
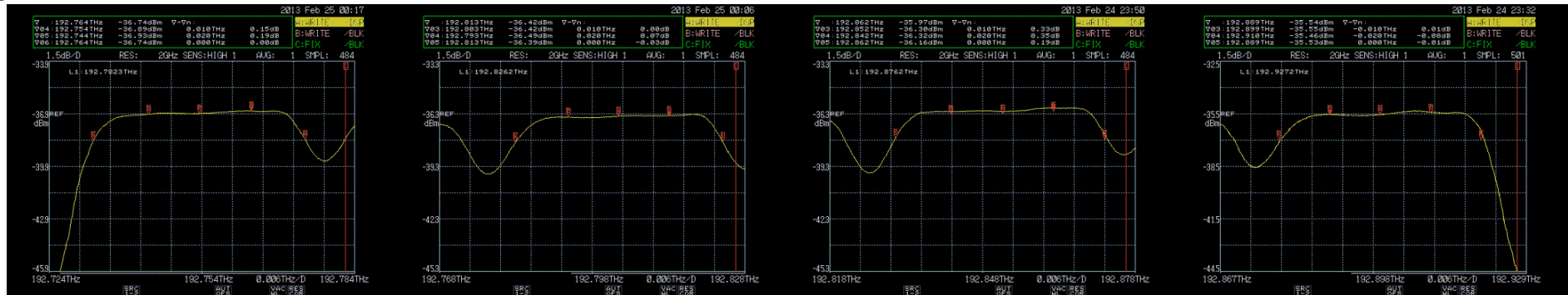


WSS characterization



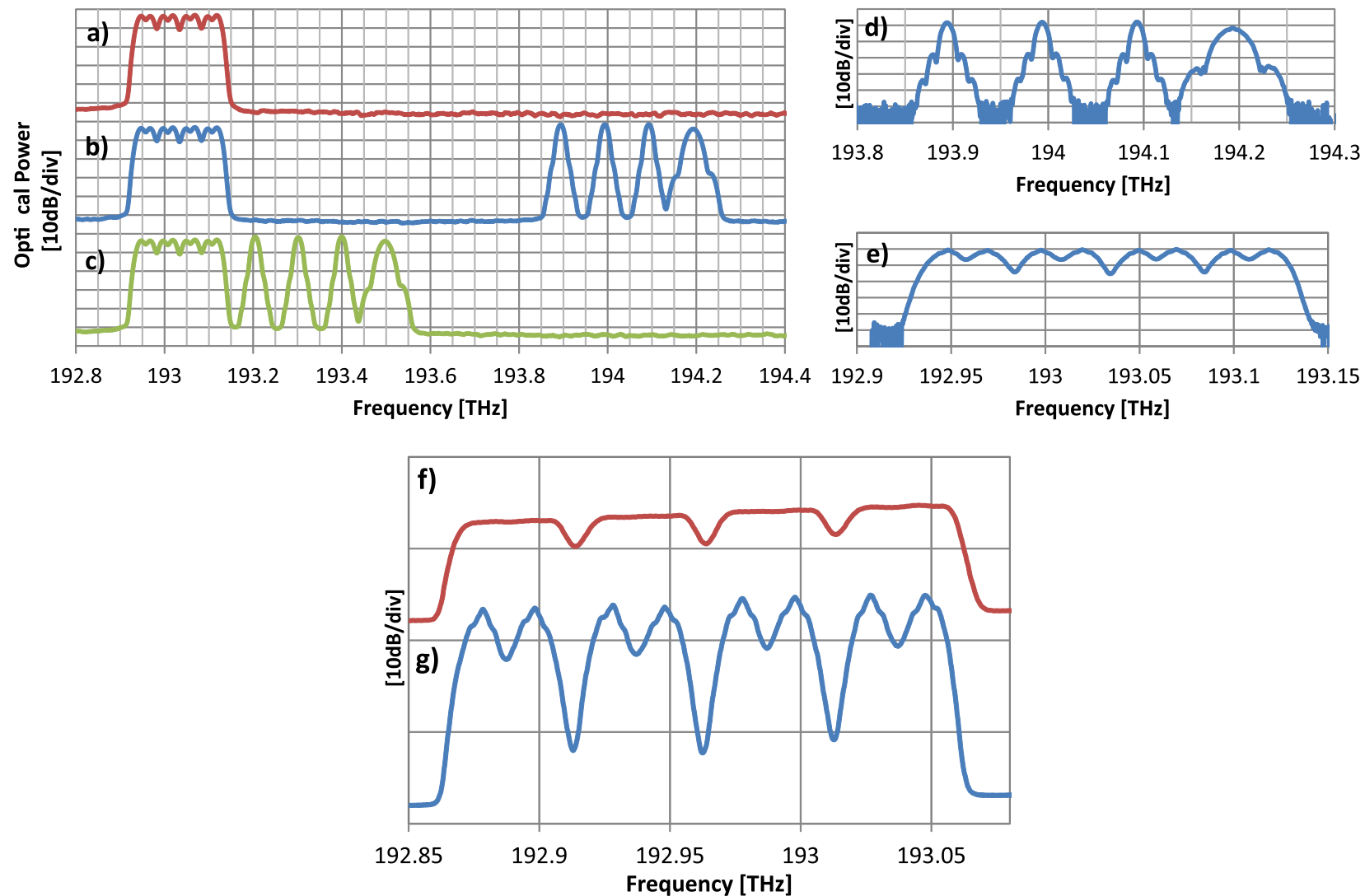
superchannel 3dB bandwidth = 194.3 GHz

channel allocation

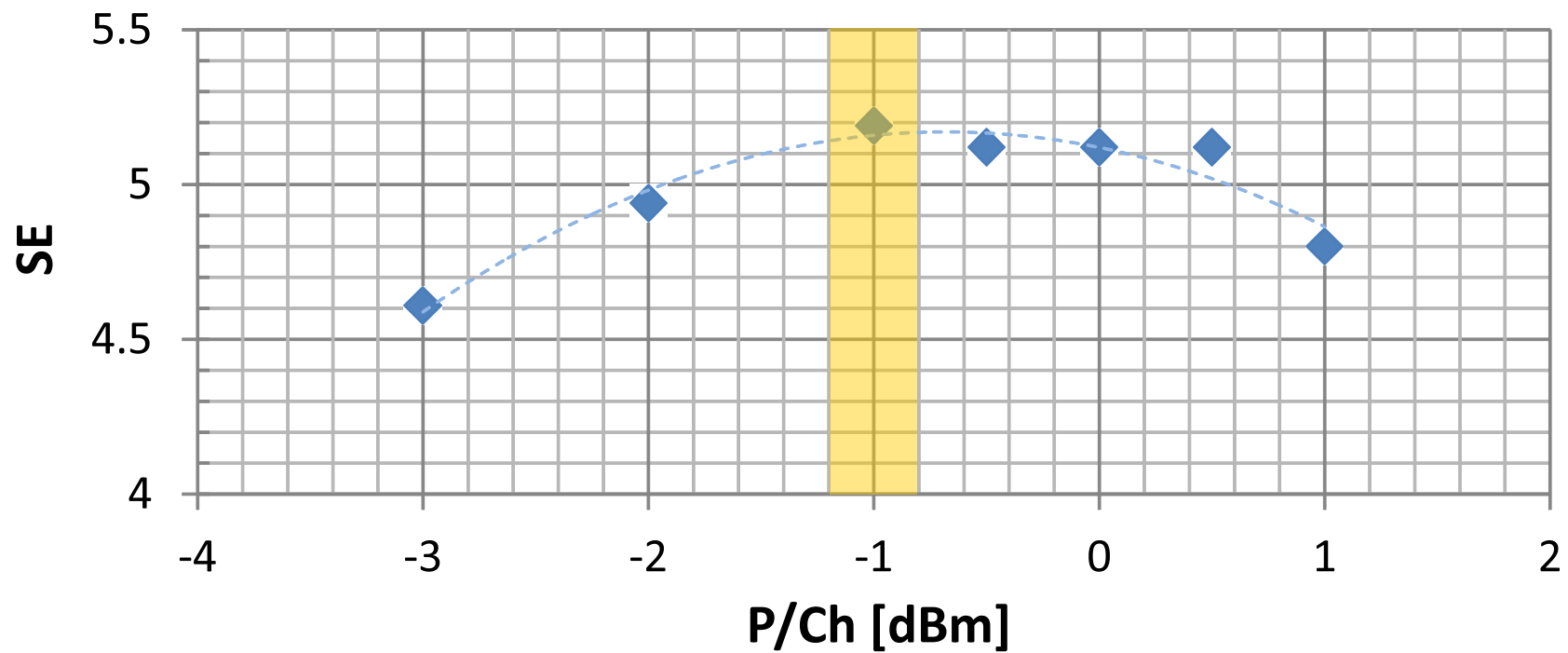


3dB bandwidth = 194.3 GHz
channel separation = **20 GHz**

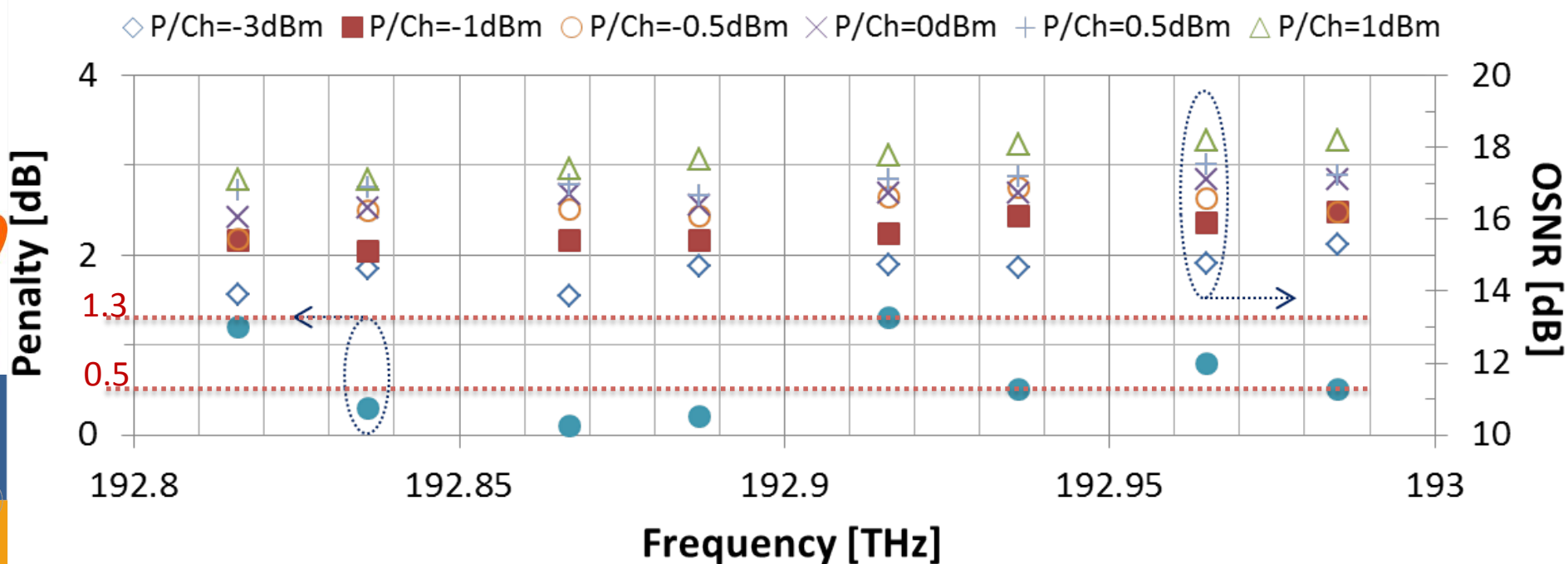
input and output spectra



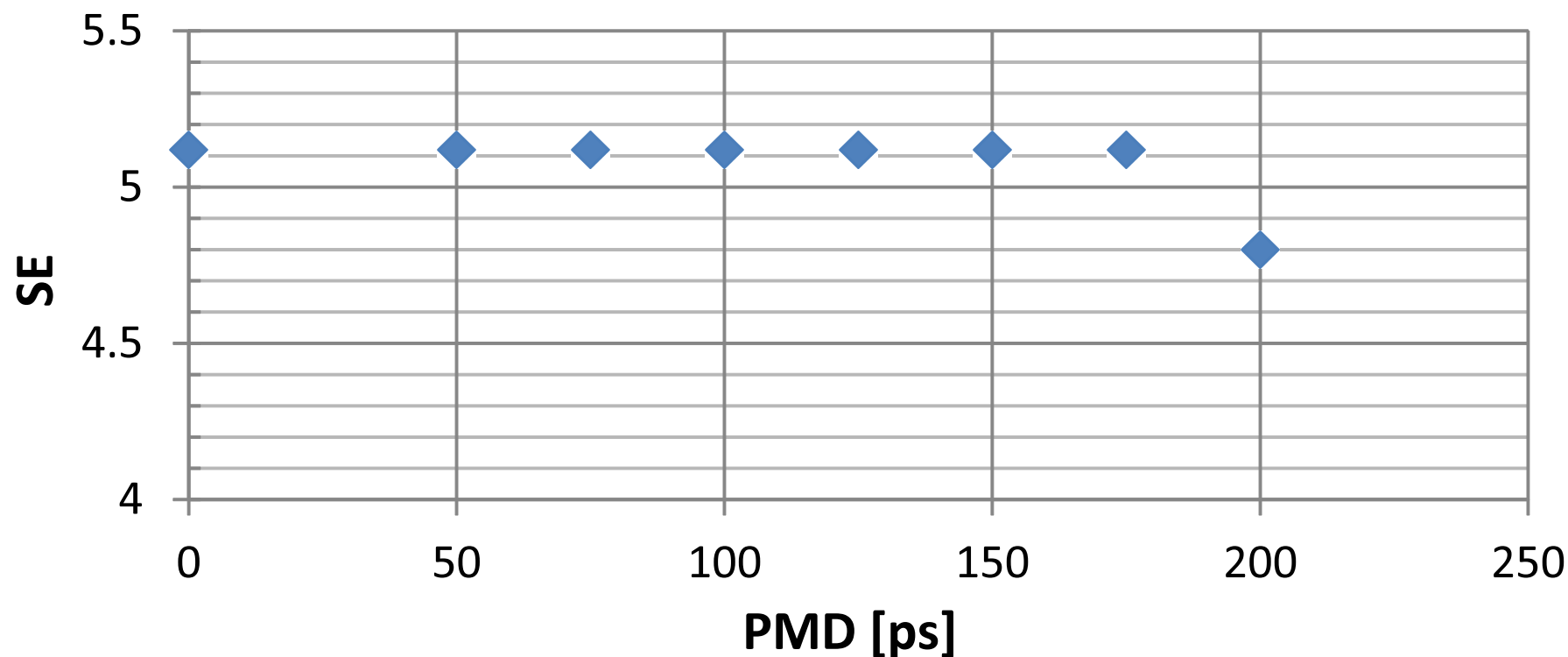
power optimization



power penalty

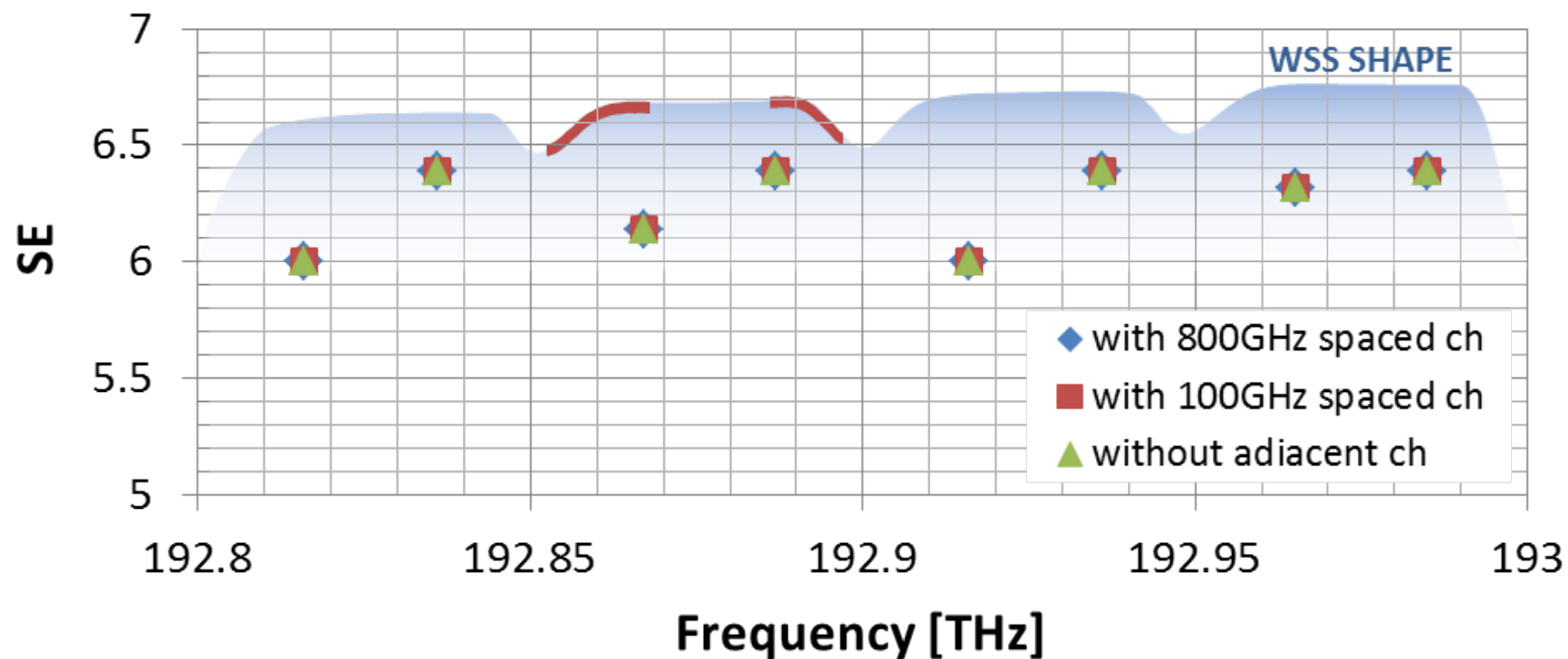


PMD penalty

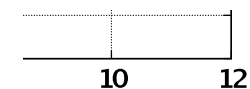
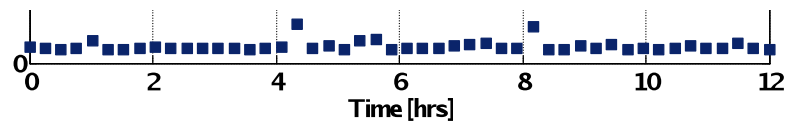
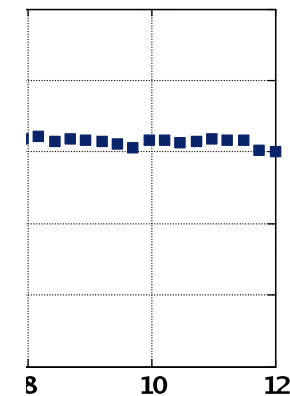
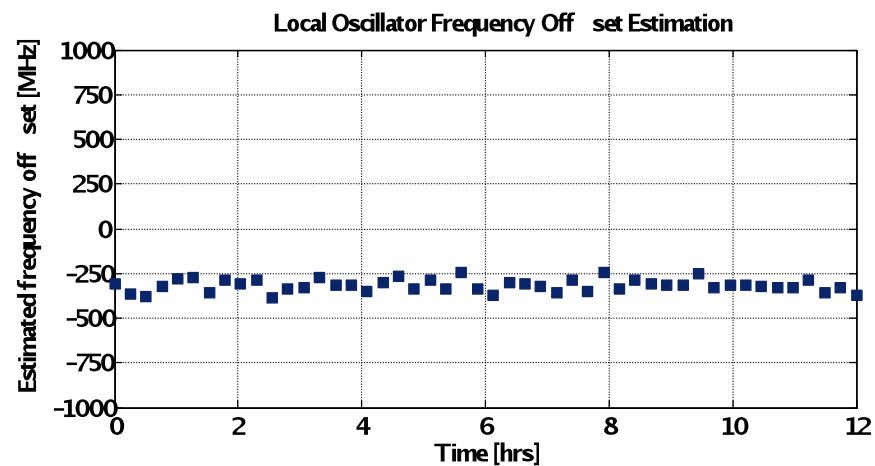


- › No penalty up to 170 ps **additional** DGD
- › 5% SE drop with 200 ps

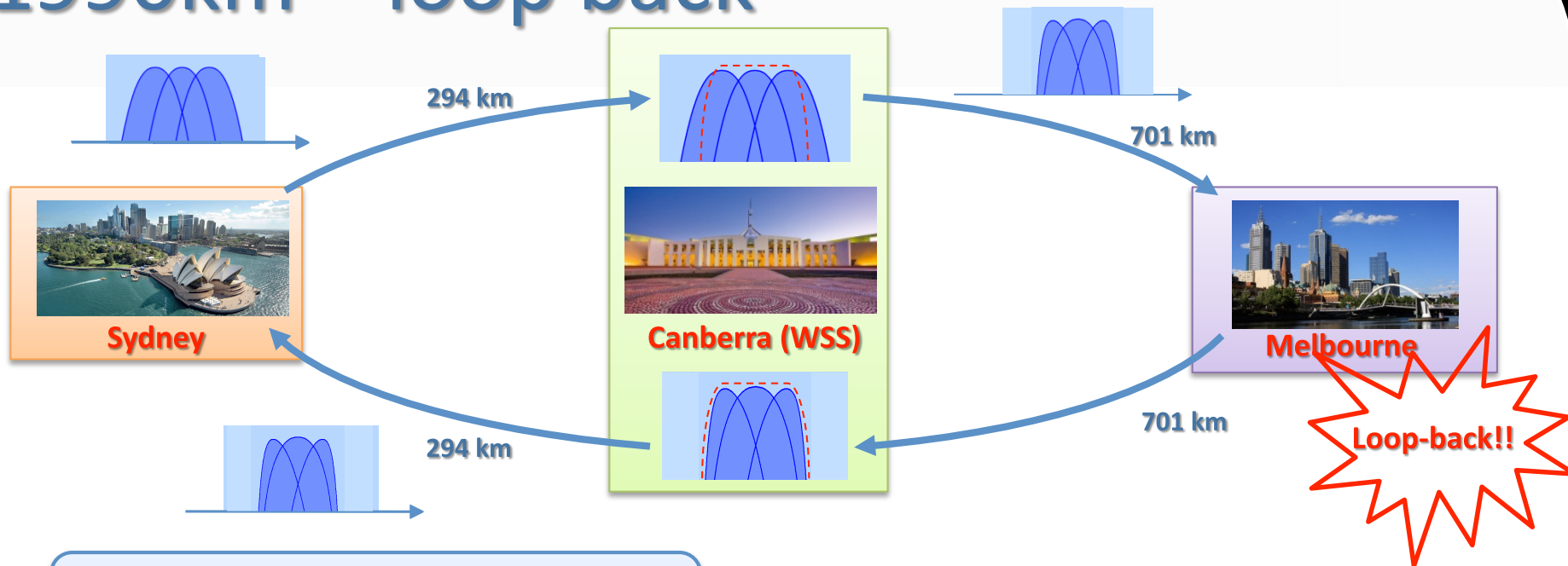
SE and xtalk with 40G and 100G



Long term test



1990km – loop back



• Single sub-channel

- $P=1\text{dBm}$
- $\text{OSNR}=14.8\text{ dB}$
- $\text{SE}=7.1$
- $\text{BW}=18\text{ GHz}$
- code rate $4/5$
- Rate= 40GHz
- information rate = 128 Gb/s

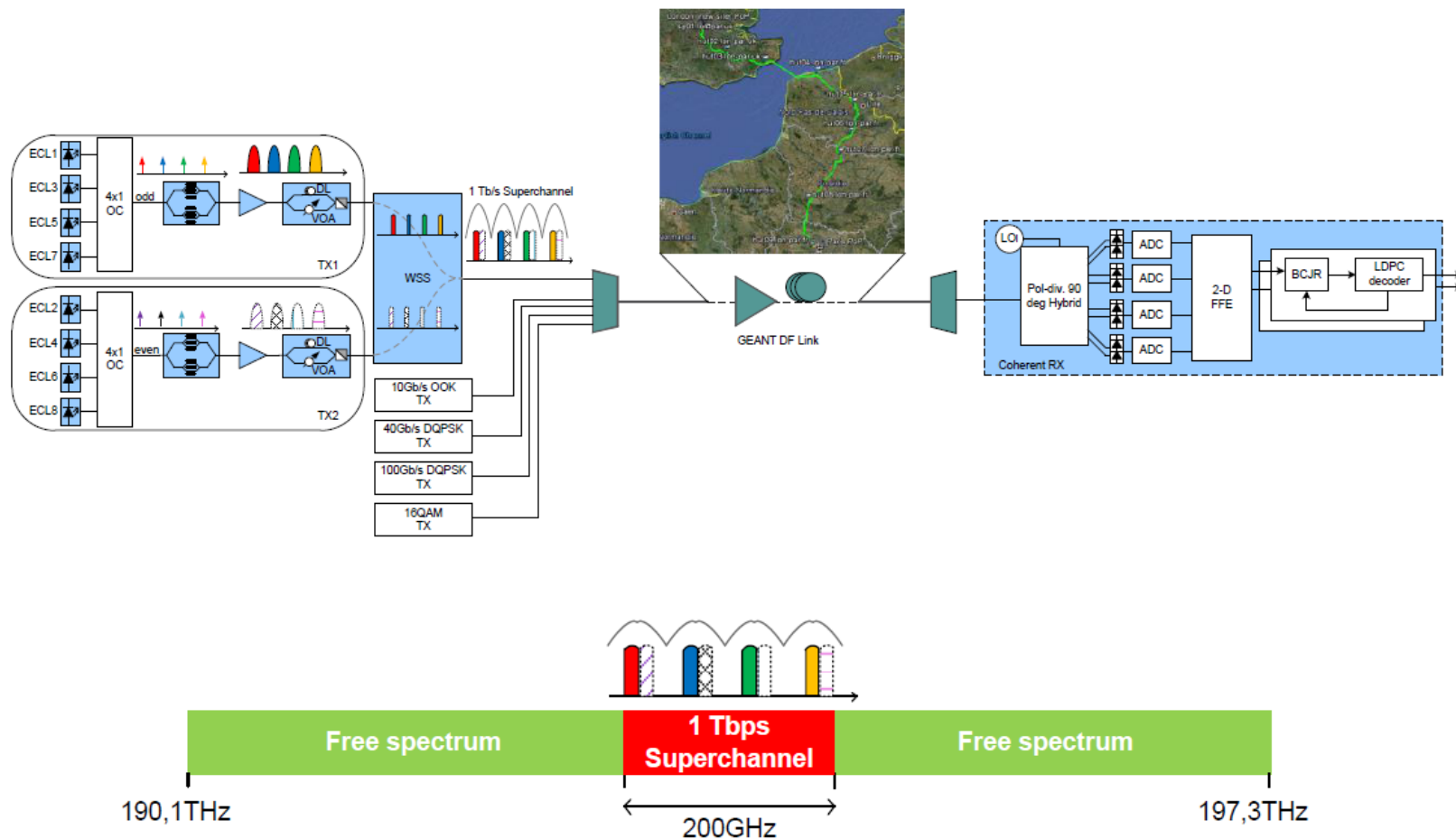
• Three adjacent channels

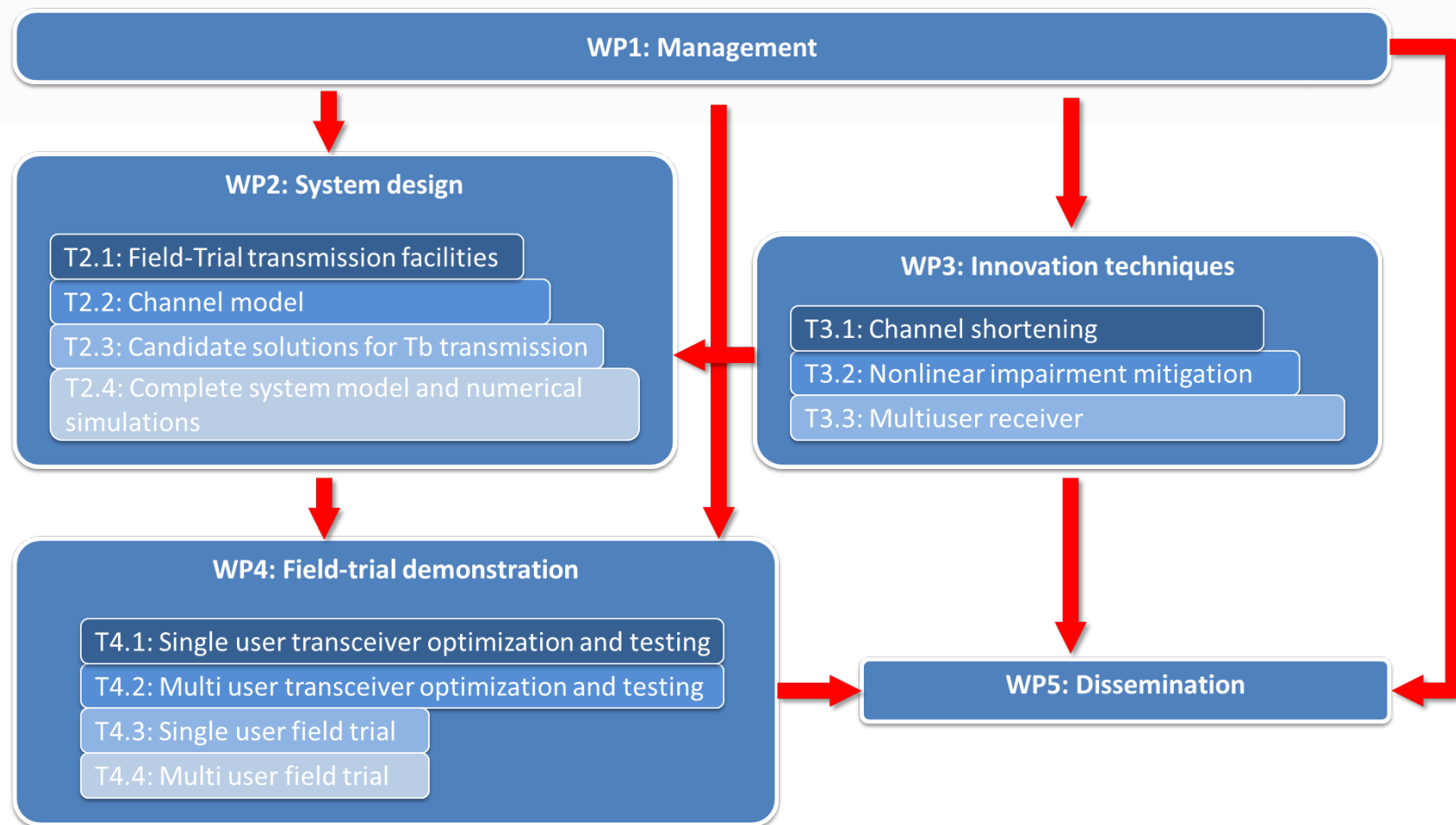
- $P/\text{ch}=1\text{dBm}$
- $\text{OSNR}=14.6\text{ dB}$
- $\text{BW}/\text{ch}=18\text{ GHz}$
- $\text{SE}=4.7$
- total BW= 60 GHz
- code rate= $2/3$
- rate= 35 GBaud
- information rate= 280 Gb/s

conclusions

- **Time-Frequency-Packing** has been introduced
- 1Tbit/s field trial transmission over **995 km**
- sub-channel **SE between 6 and 6.5** have been measured for all 8 channels
- a total minimum information rate of **1.0084 Tb/s** within 194.3 GHz have been transmitted
- nonlinear propagation effects have been minimized
- PMD tolerance up to 170 ps verified
- **compatibility with existing 40 and 100 Gb/s channel confirmed**
- long term stability evaluated within 12 hours
- loopback measures **(1990km)** single sub-channel and three interfering sub-channels SE= 4.7, information rate=280 Gb/s over 18GHz

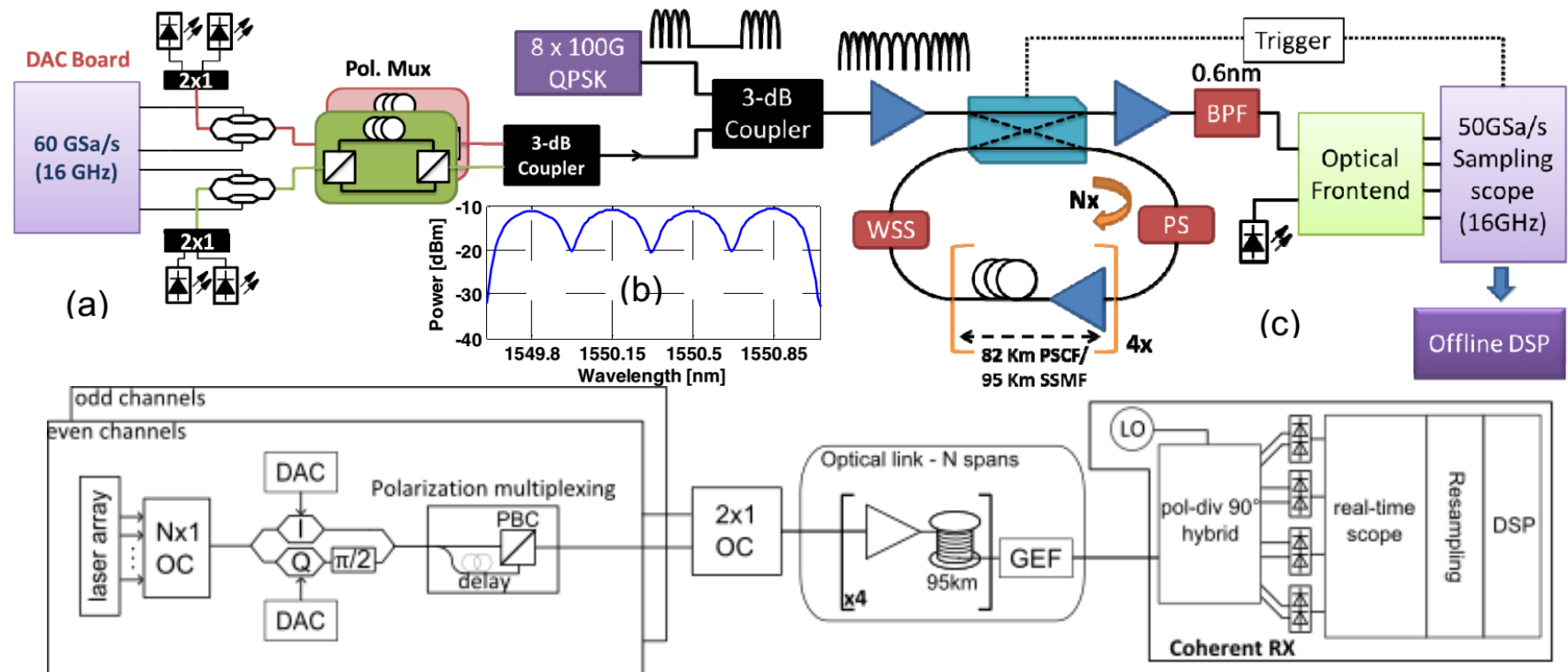
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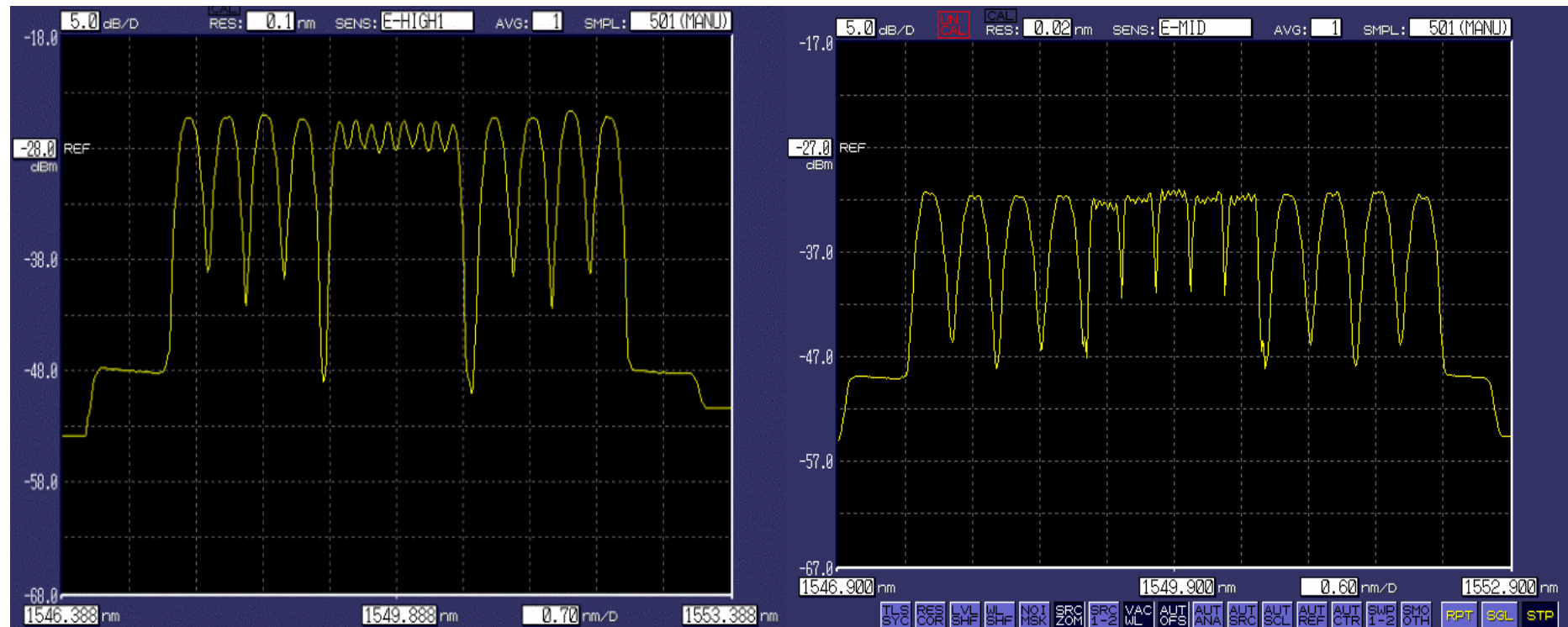
Field trial Milano-Finkenstein loop back ~ 643x2 km starting half of January

TFP vs NWDM



NWDM and TFP – Spectra

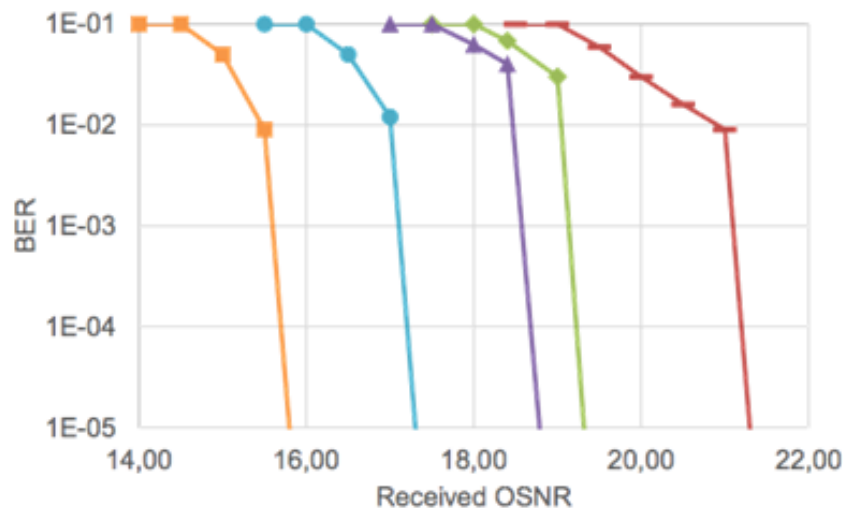
- Spectra of NWDM and TFP over link with 8×100 Gb/s commercial Coriant QPSK



Information_{rate} = 40Gbaud * 2quadratures * 2Pol * 8 carriers/(1+OH) ≈ 1.28 Tb/s
 OH = 28% taking into account FEC, pilot, framer synchronization

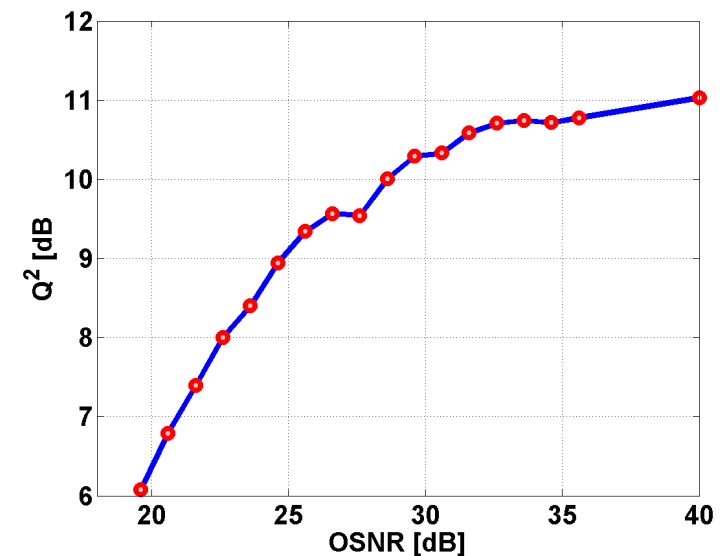
NWDM and time-frequency packing B2B

TFP (QPSK, 40 Gbaud, 8 subcarriers)



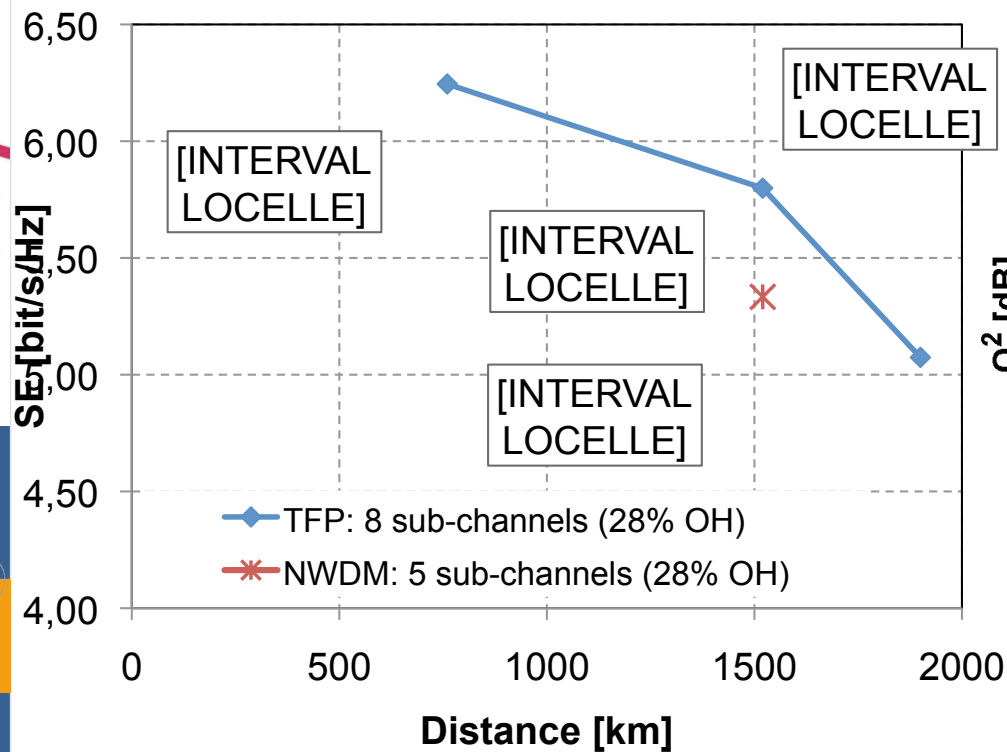
- with adjacent channels $R_c=8/9$
- with adjacent channels $R_c=5/6$
- with adjacent channels $R_c=4/5$
- with adjacent channels $R_c=3/4$
- with adjacent channels $R_c=2/3$

NWDN (16QAM, 32 Gbaud, 5 subcarriers)

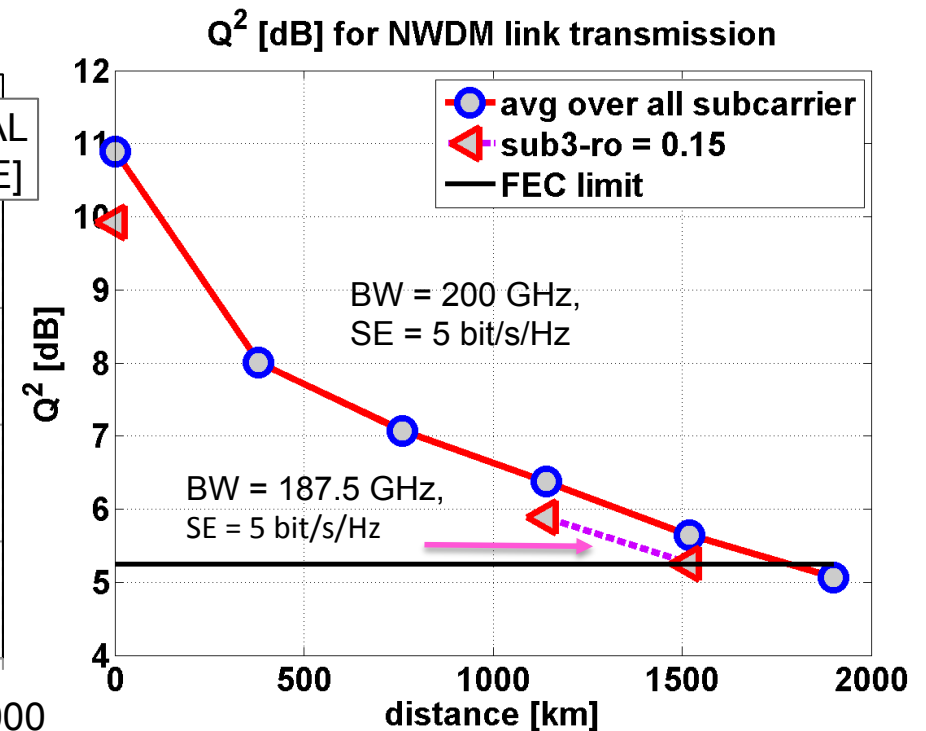


Measure on the central
sub-channel out of
three

NWDM and TFP – Transmission



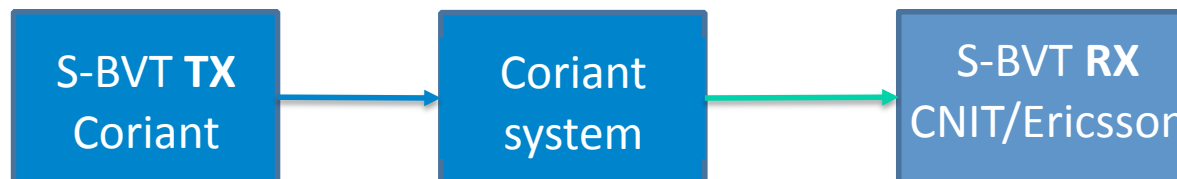
TFP: performance in Spectral efficiency as function of distance and spectral occupancy



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BVT interoperability experiment

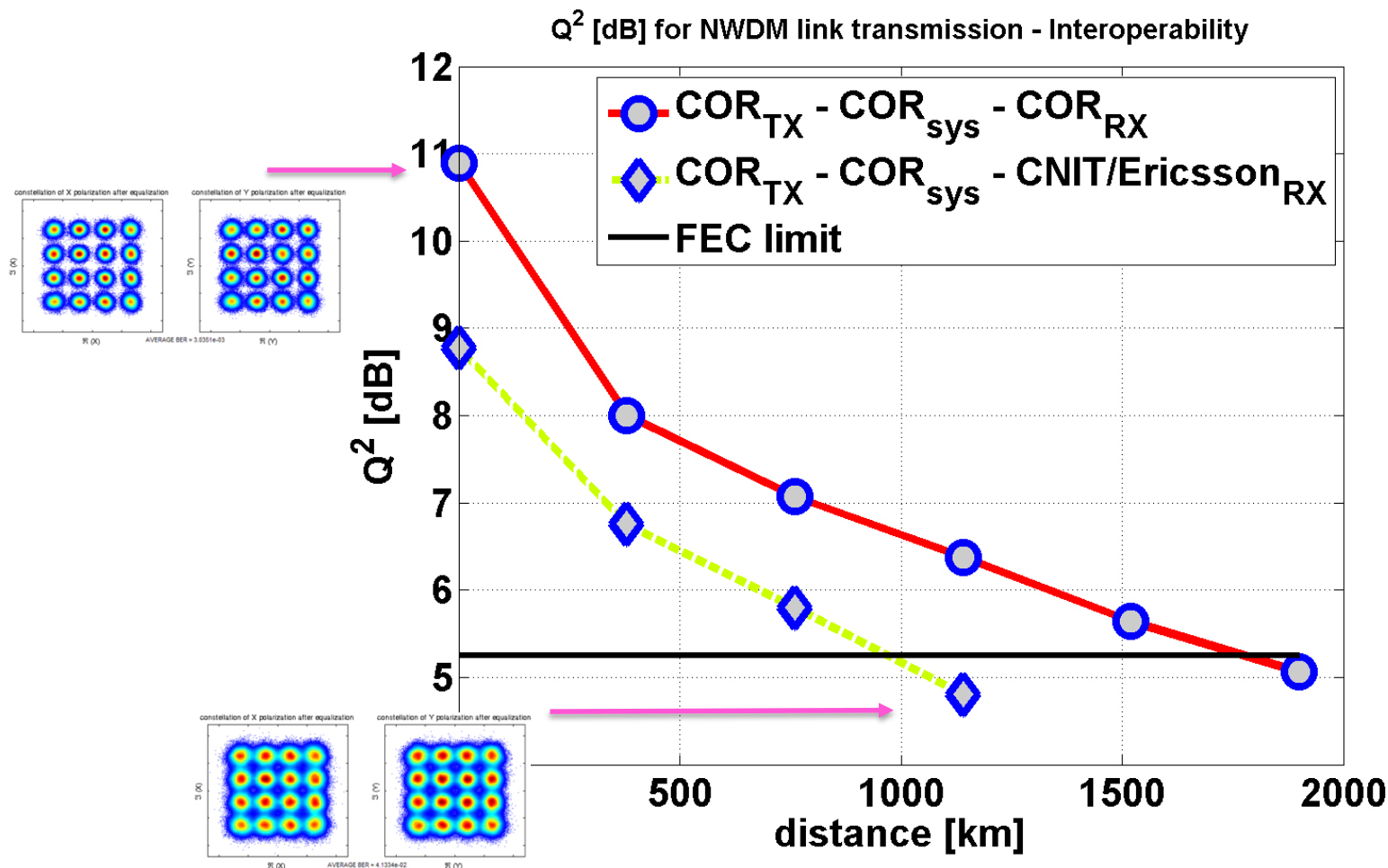
- Experiment carried out at Munich at CORIANT labs.
- NWDM based PM-16QAM and PM-QPSK transmission with Coriant TX and CNIT / Ericsson coherent RX
- Objective: demonstrate a first level of transmission interoperability at pre-FEC ($BER < BER_{TH}$) with $BER_{TH} = 3.4 \times 10^{-2}$



- Successfully demonstrated in b2b and over link, although we some lost in performance

First level of BVT interoperability

TX Coriant 32GBaud PM-16-QAM over Coriant system, received by CNIT / Ericsson RX



conclusions

1 Tb/s

Bandwidth [GHz]	# slots (12.5 GHz)	distance [km]
200	16	2000
187.5	15	1800
175	14	1500
162.5	13	800
150	12	?
100	8	??

single-user receiver

multi-user receiver

cnit

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