

# Adding (T&F) signals to existing DWDM systems

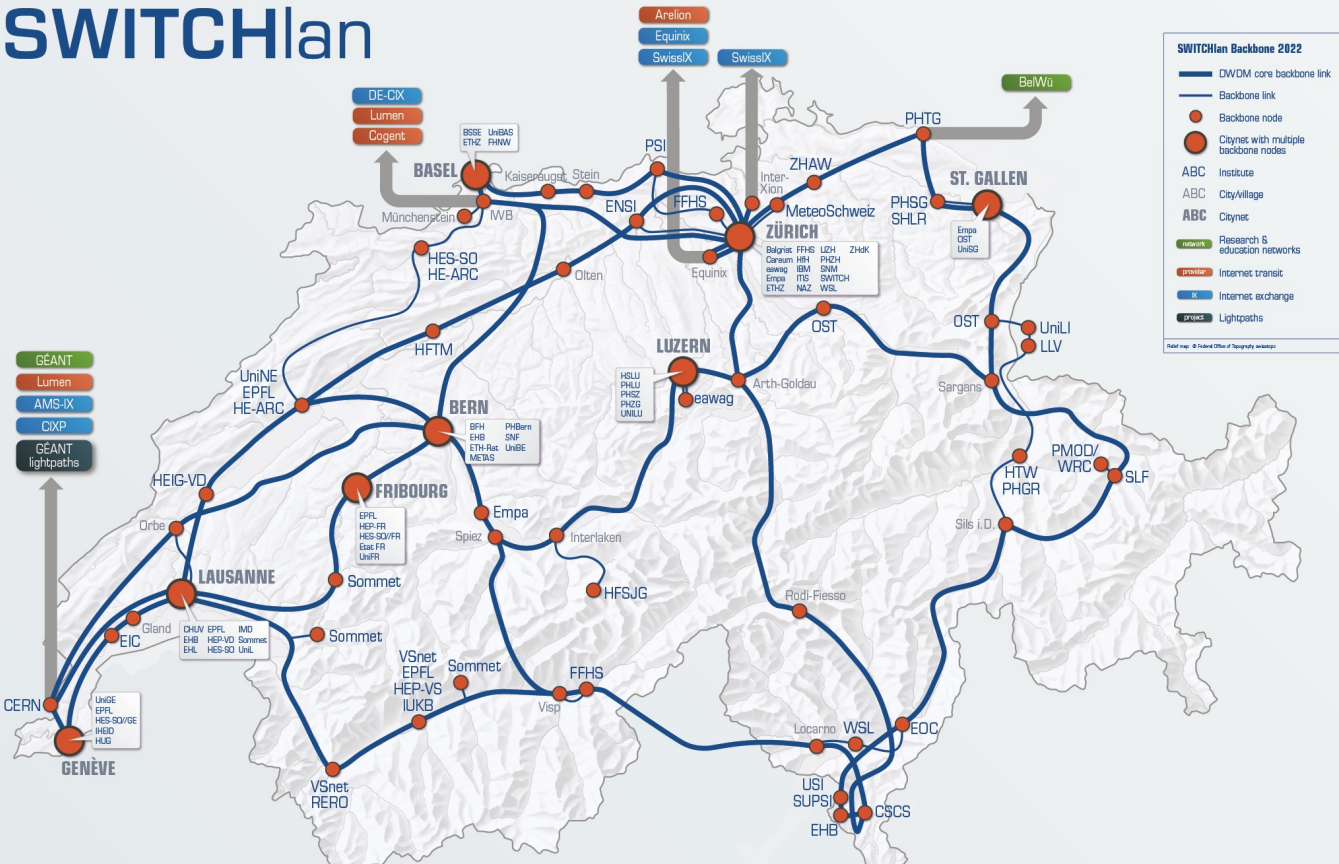
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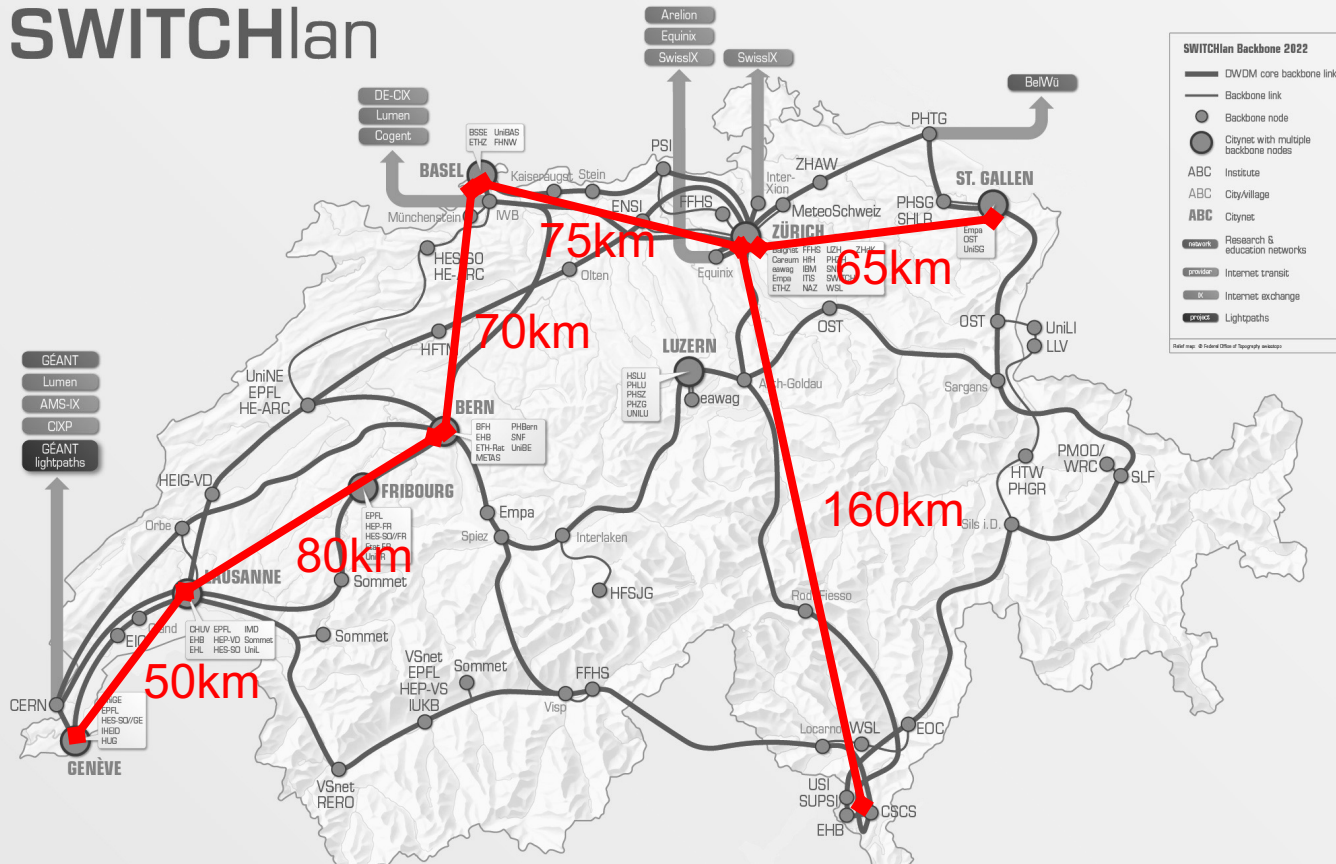


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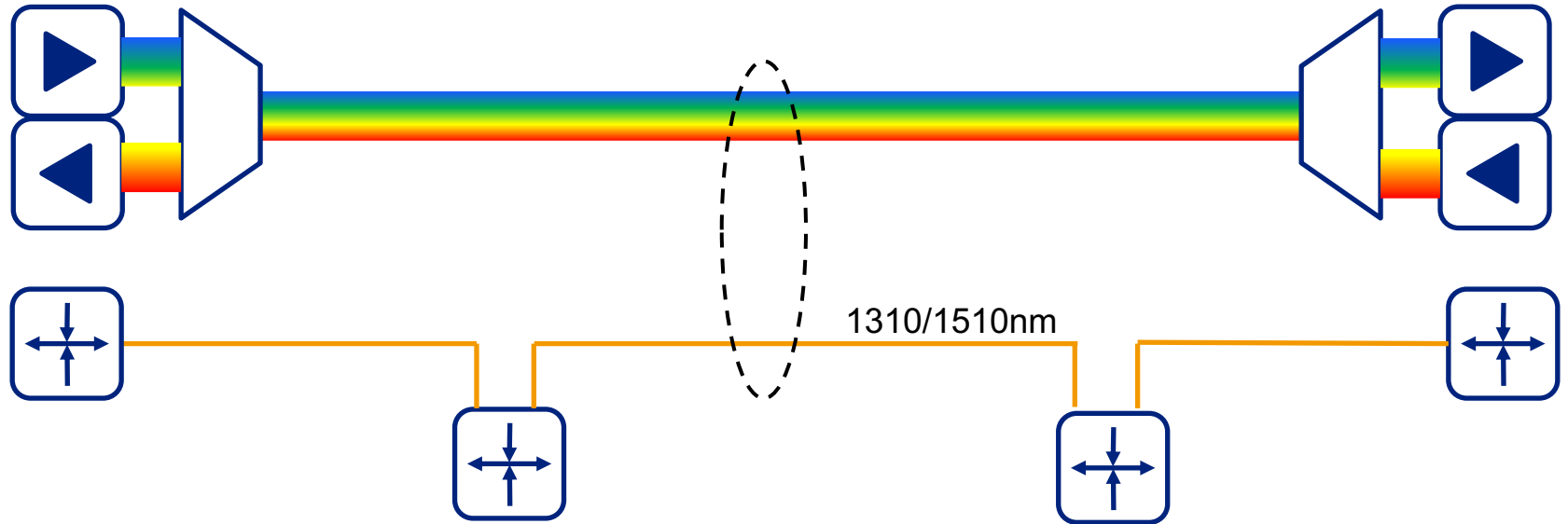


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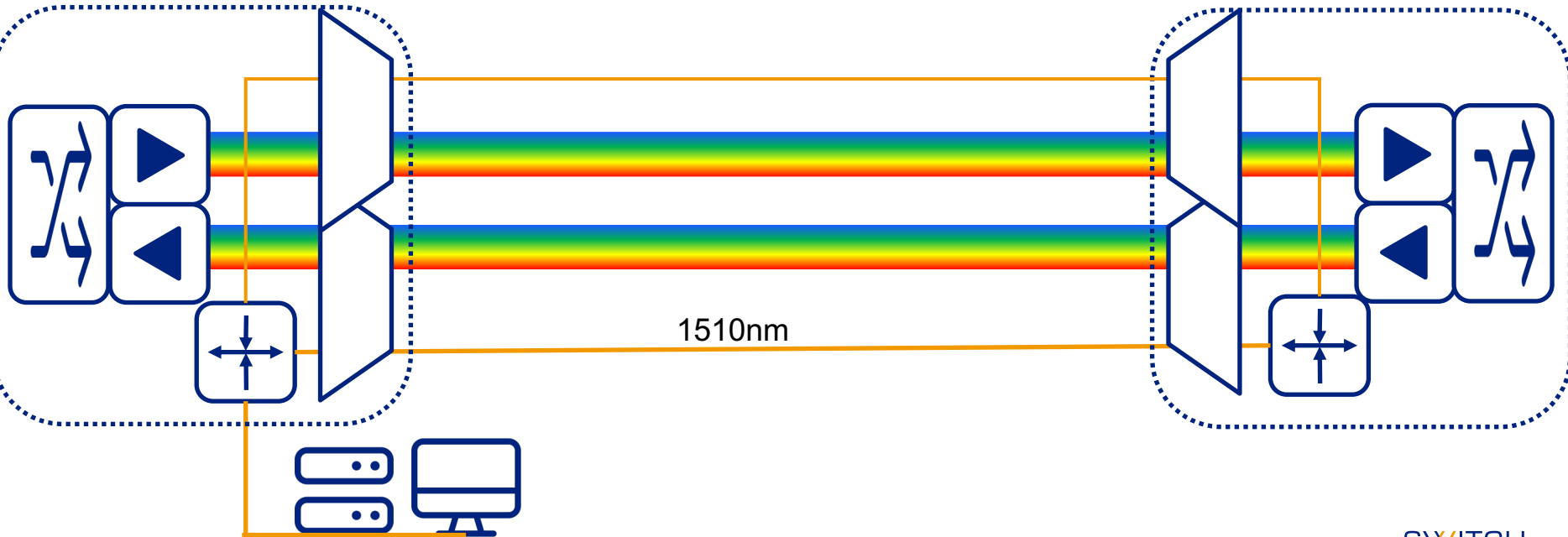
# History

- SWITCH started own fiber network in 2001
- Fibers rented in pairs
- Bidir DWDM on first fiber
- Intermediate hops on second fiber



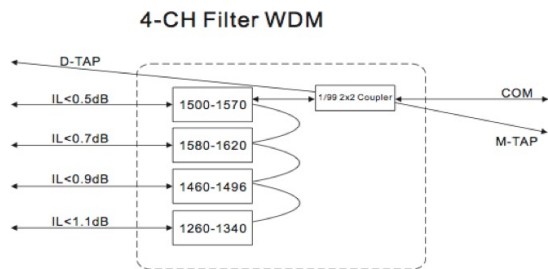
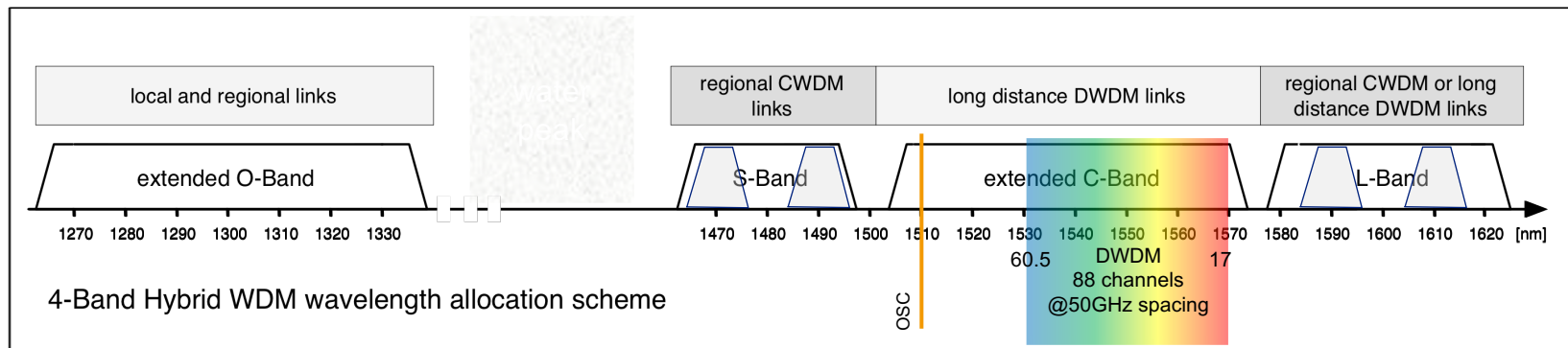
# History

- New DWDM system in 2013
- Colorless/Directionless Flexgrid ROADM system
- Requires dual fiber



# HWDM

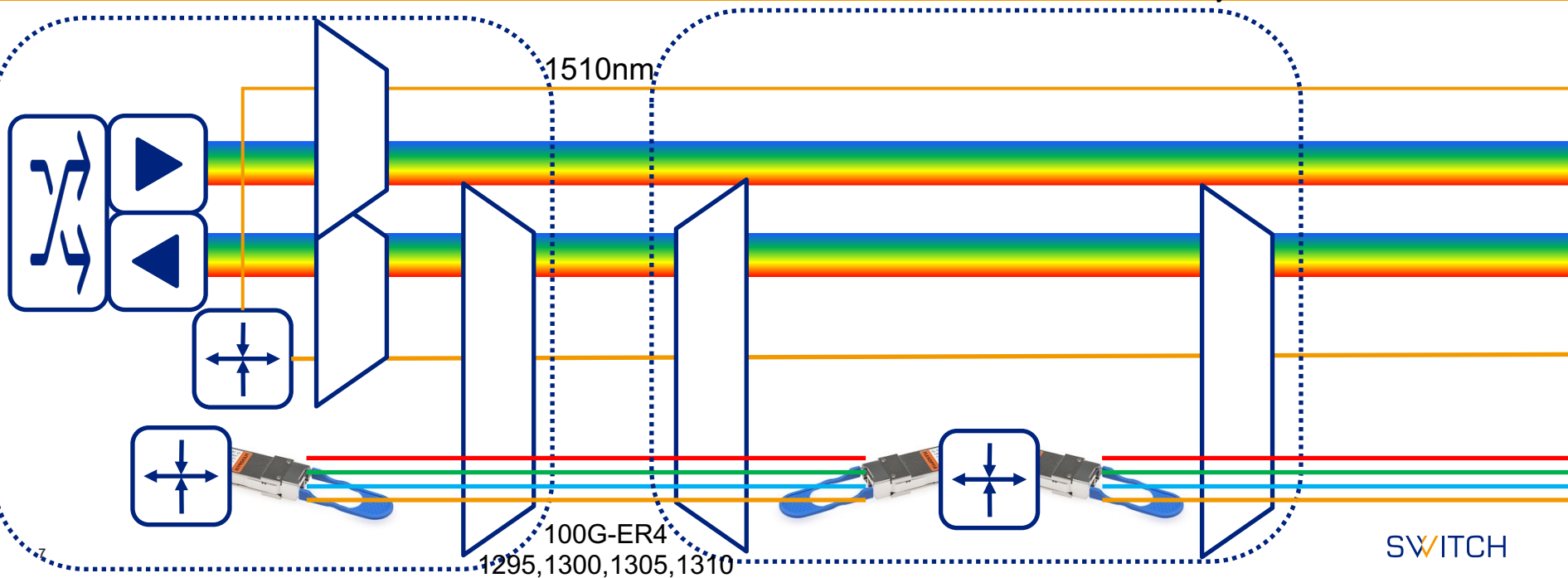
- Combine DWDM with CWDM -> HybridWDM
- Actually a band-filter
- O, S, C+, L -band
- Add 1.25dB loss in planning (5dB total for 1 intermediate hop)



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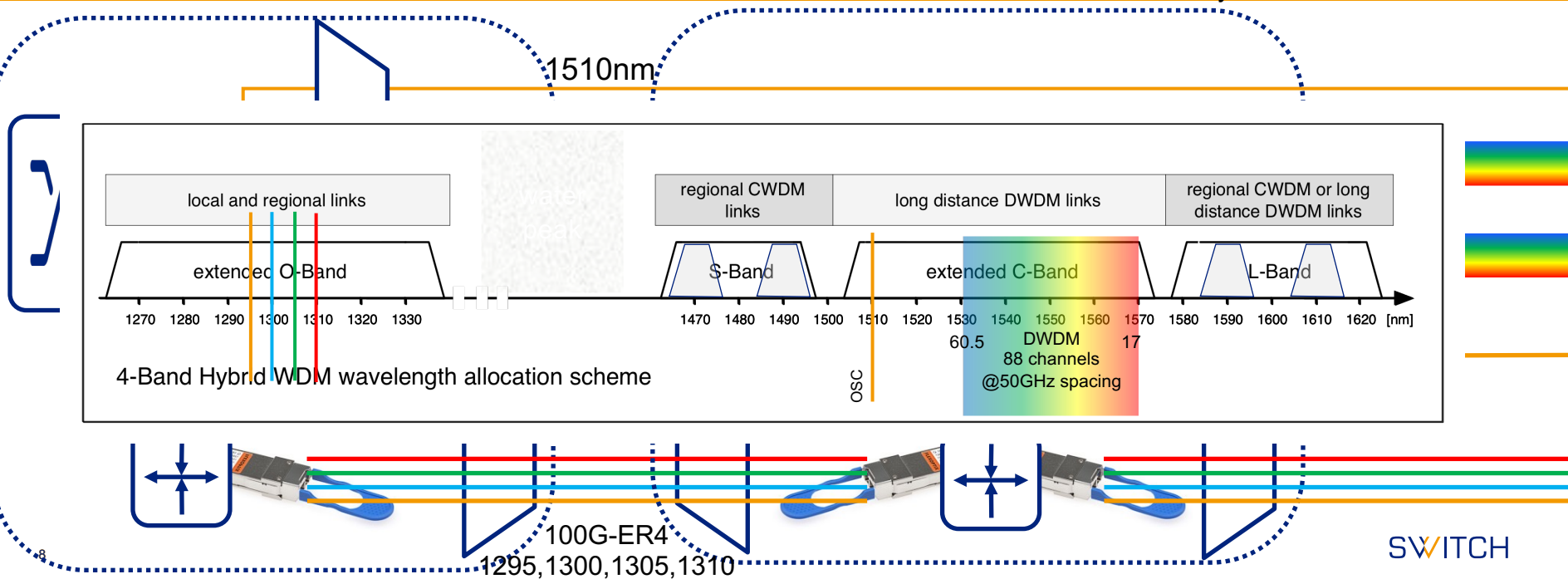


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# Exotic: Time & Frequency



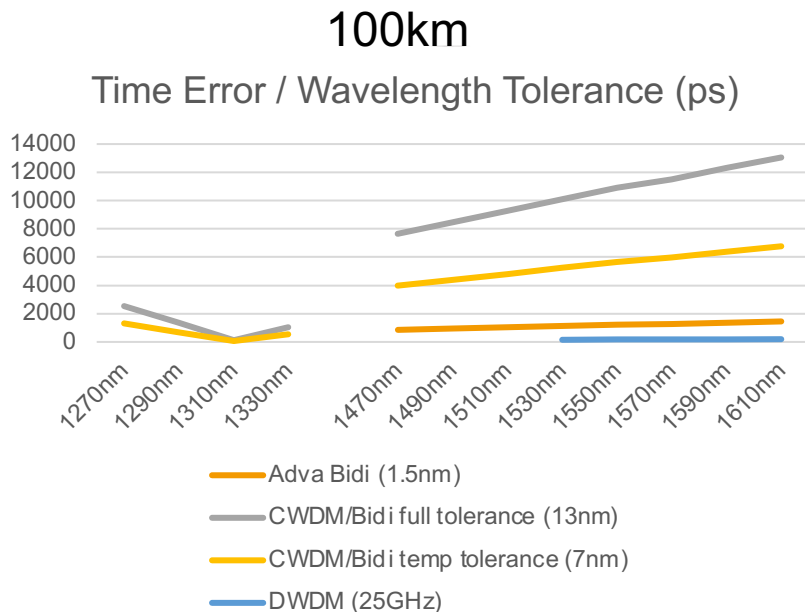
- High accuracy Time & Frequency signals **MUST** be bidirectional
- Inconvenient to combine with dual-fiber DWDM
  - Especially CD(C) Flexgrid ROADMs
  - Everything else uses tunable lasers
- C-band is 'owned' by DWDM, don't want to interfere.

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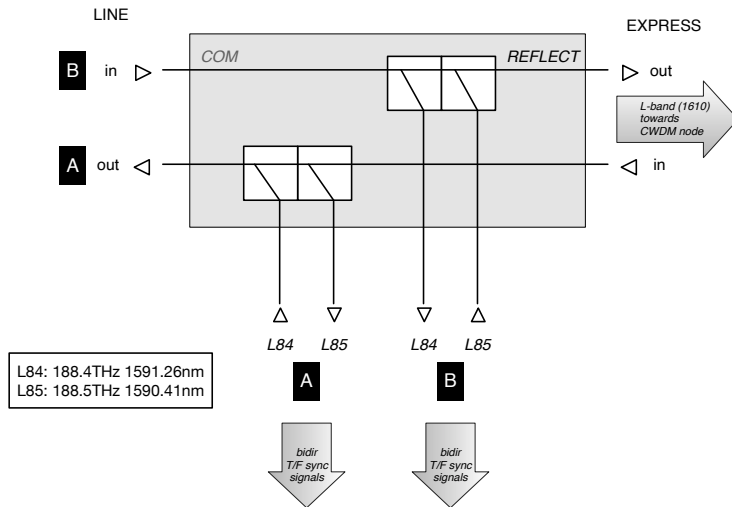
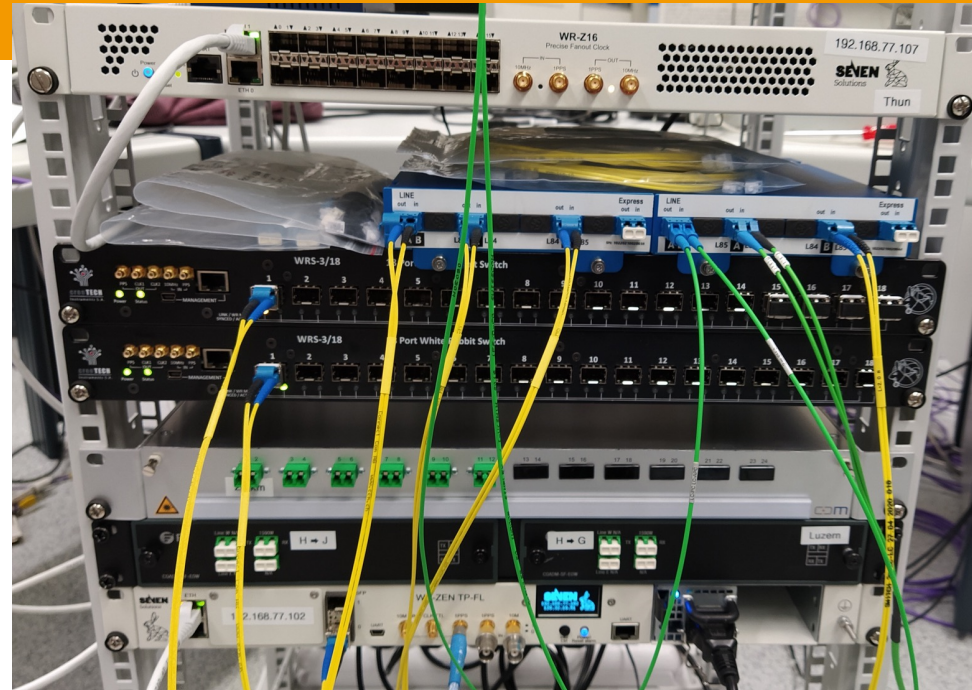
- Invented at CERN
- Extension to PTP
- Designed for campus using bidir SFP
- Sub-ns accurate

- Time sync: Need to measure RTT
- Forward/backward delay should be equal
  - Or known asymmetry
- Normal 1G Ethernet, with SFPs
  - Can use any SFP, (maybe add bidir OADM)
- Minimize asymmetries
  - Bidirectional transmission
  - DWDM lasers (100GHz spacing)



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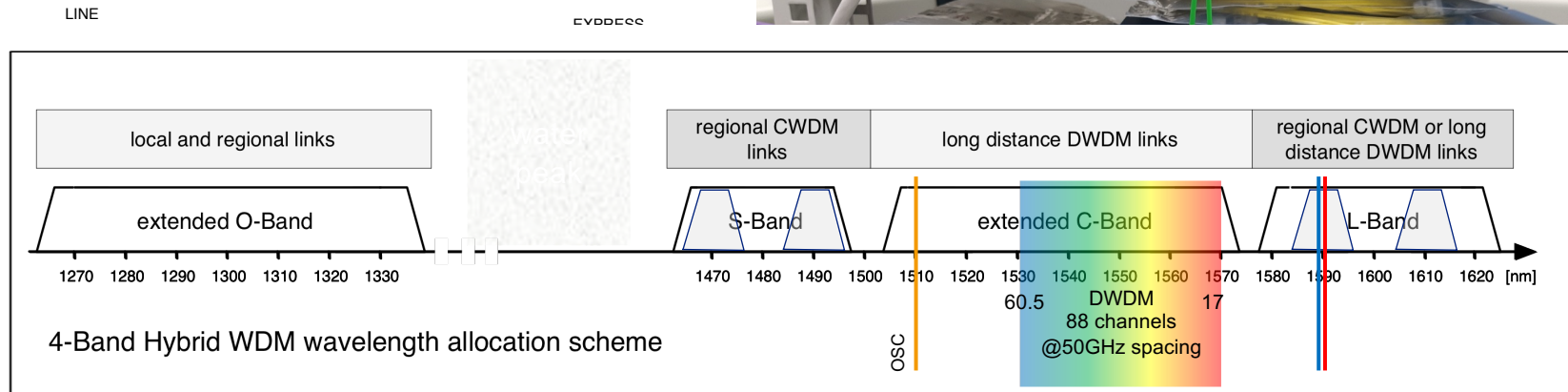
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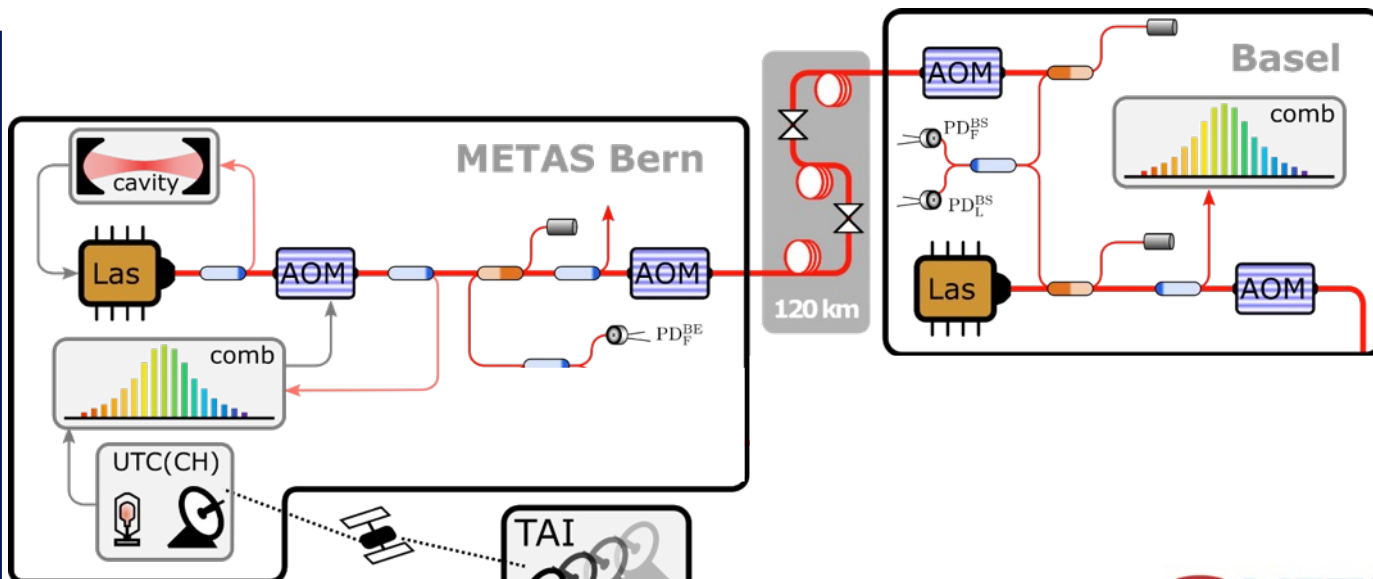
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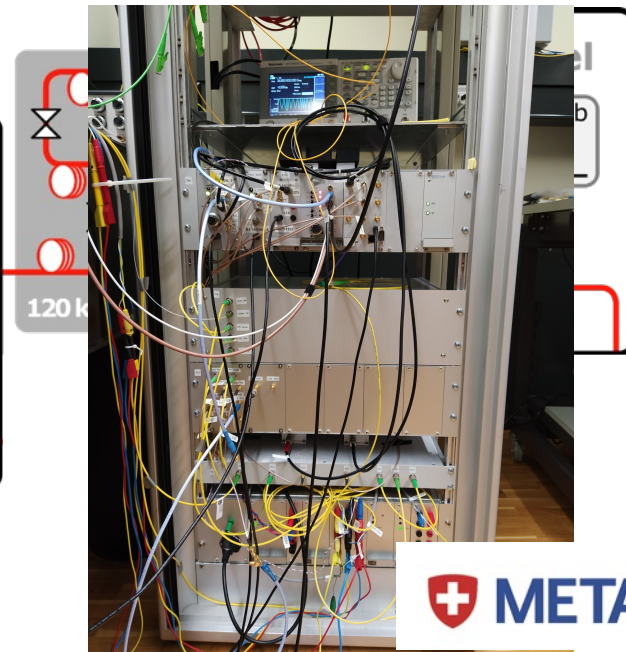
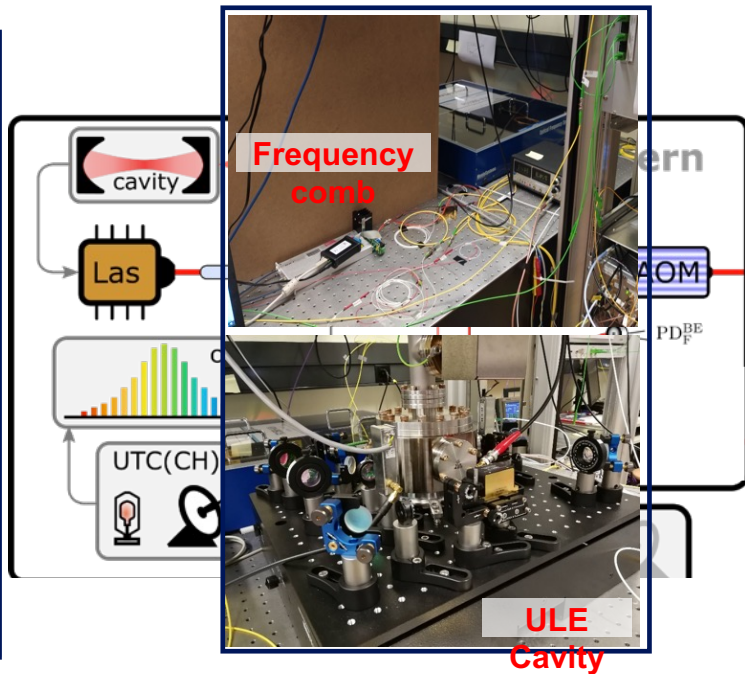
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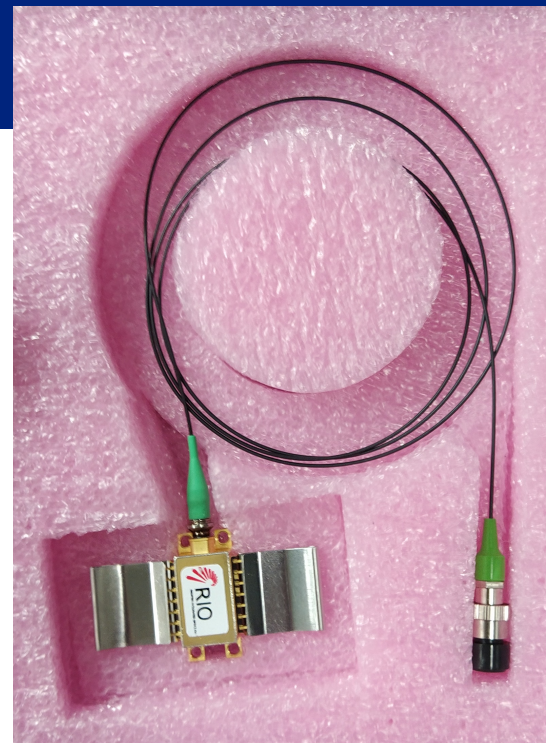
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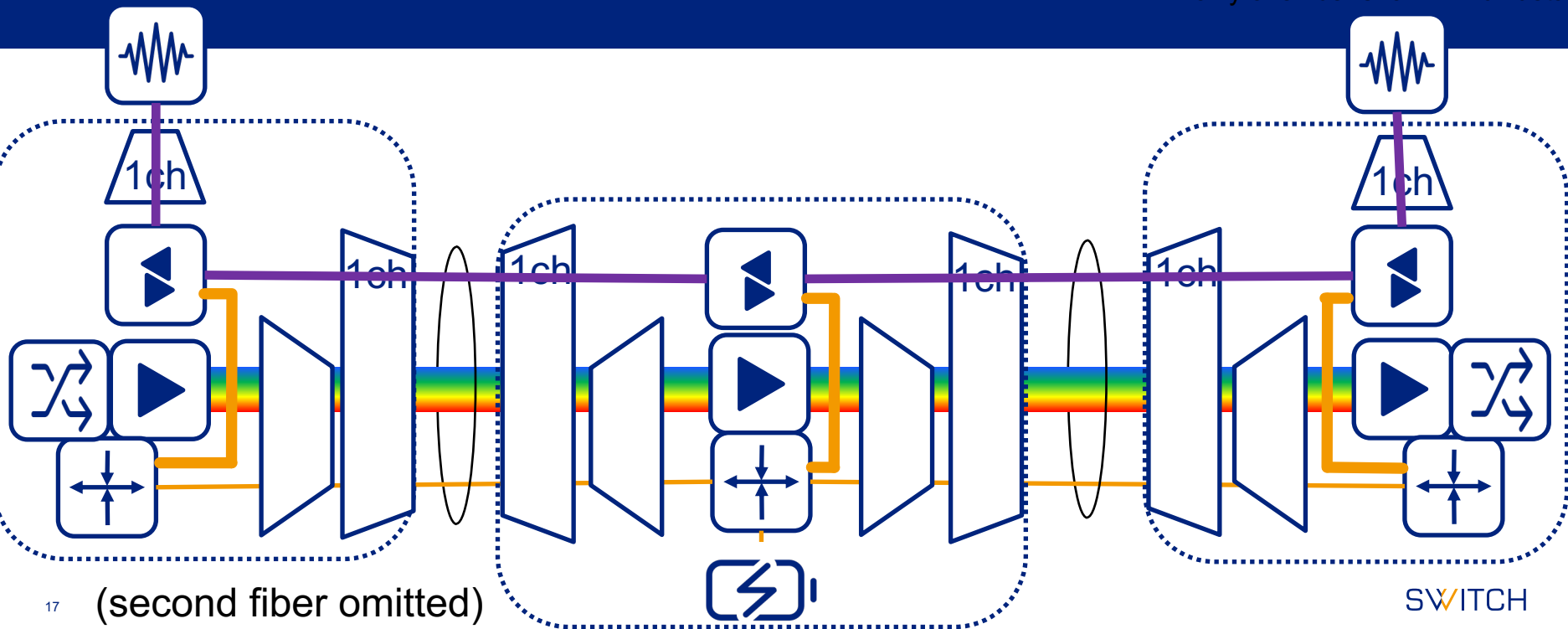




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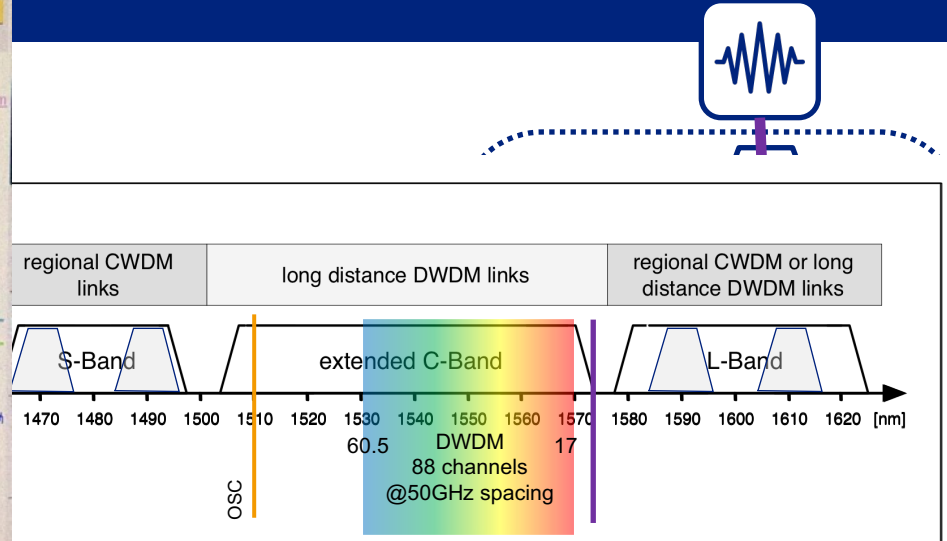
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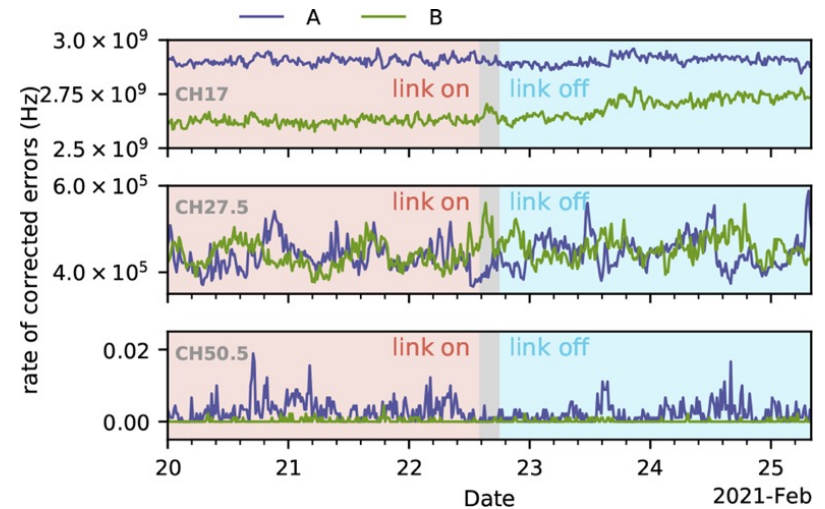
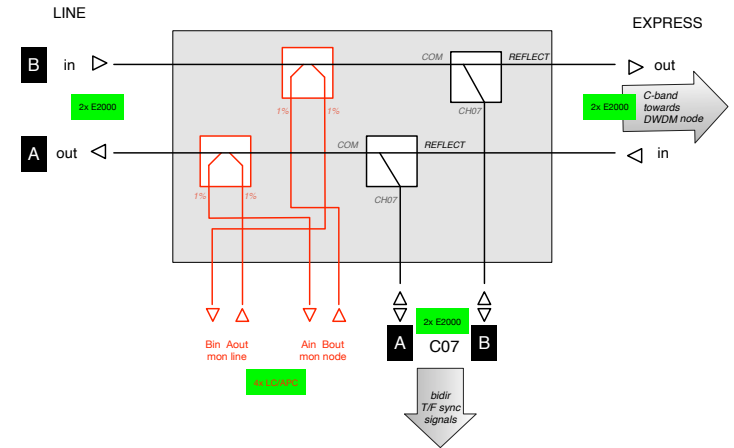


# What we've learned

- Amplifiers need little changes once link is established
- Integrate into NOC processes as spectrum service
  - not much insight besides light on/off
  - don't forget notifications when working on shared fiber
- Taps on the OADM would be handy
  - debug spectrum (OSA) in-service
  - most DWDM equipment has them
- This OADM should always be last in the stack
  - Minimize reflections
- No impact on DWDM system (especially coherent transmissions)

→ **Husmann et al., Optics Express**  
Vol. 29, Issue 16, 24592-24605, 2021

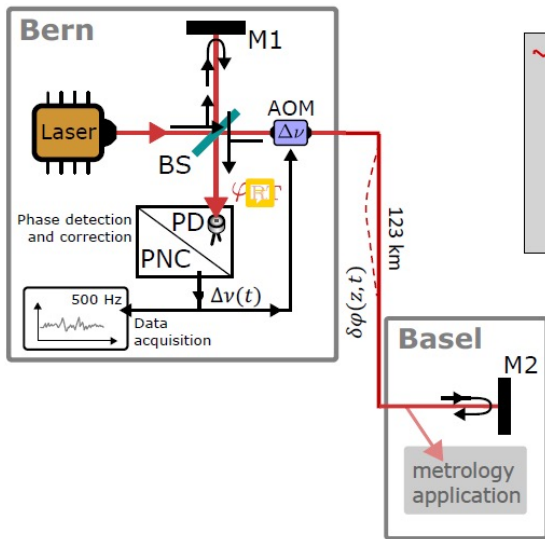
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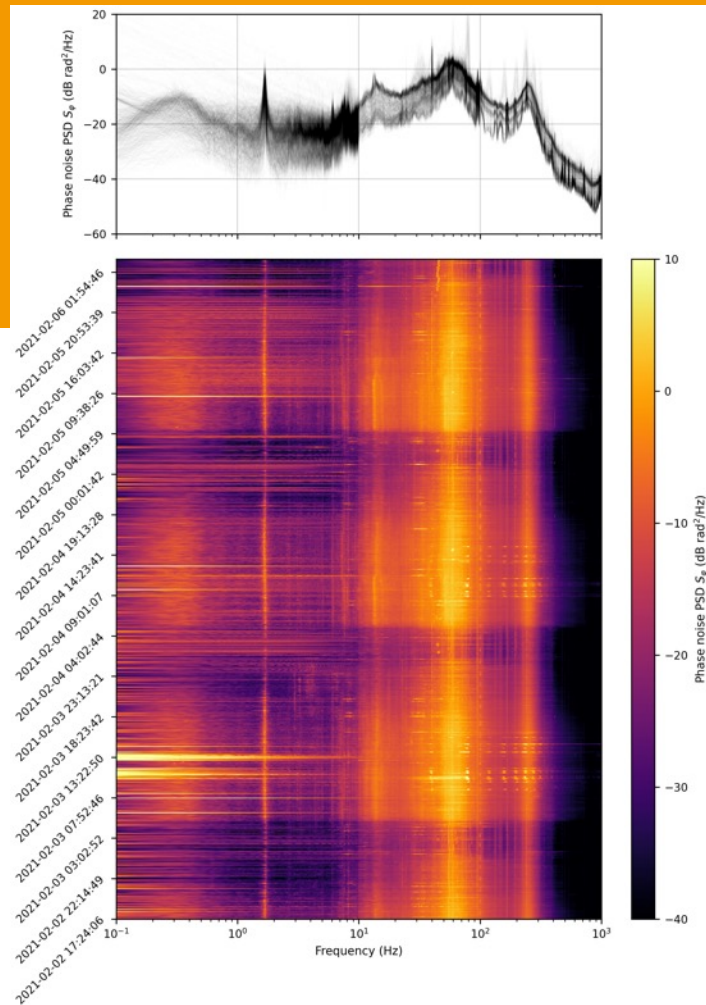
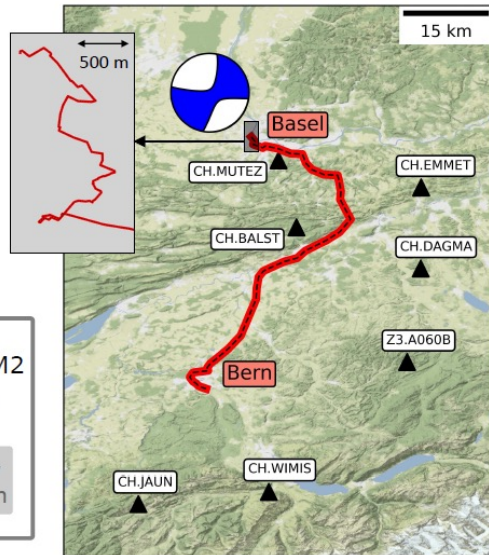
# Acoustic noise?

- 100km long microphone?
- 100km long seismic sensor?
- Theoretical model by Swiss Seismological Service (SED) ETH Zürich

a) Schematic illustration of PNC scheme

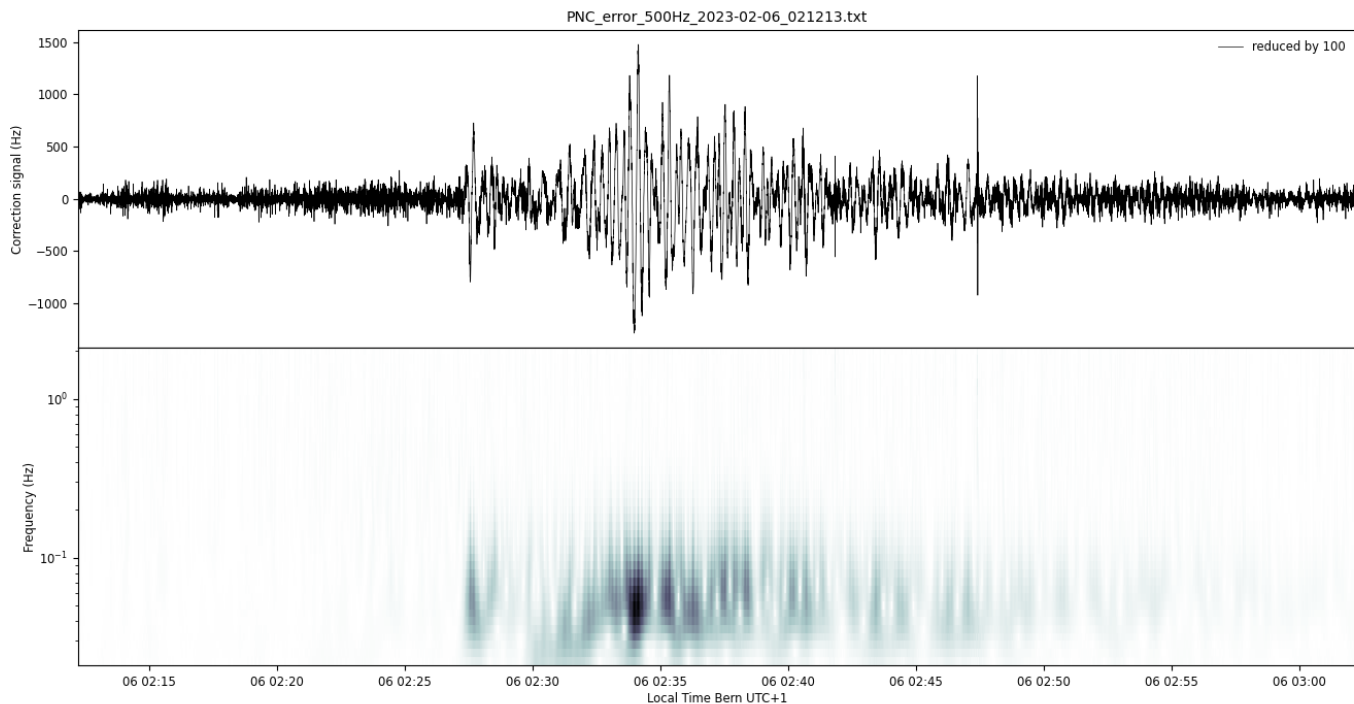


b) Experimental setup



# The very sad proof

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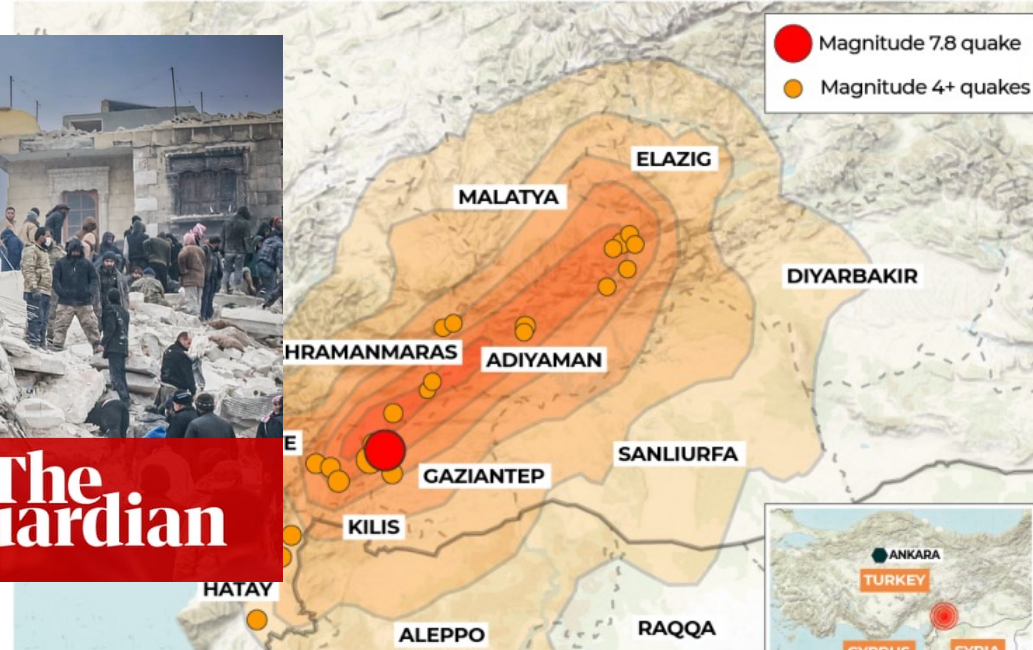
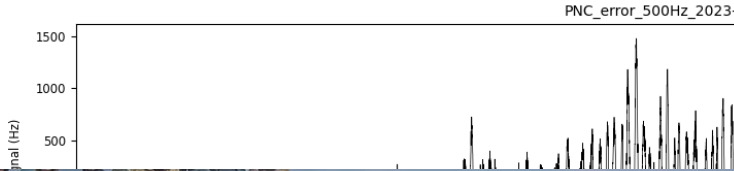
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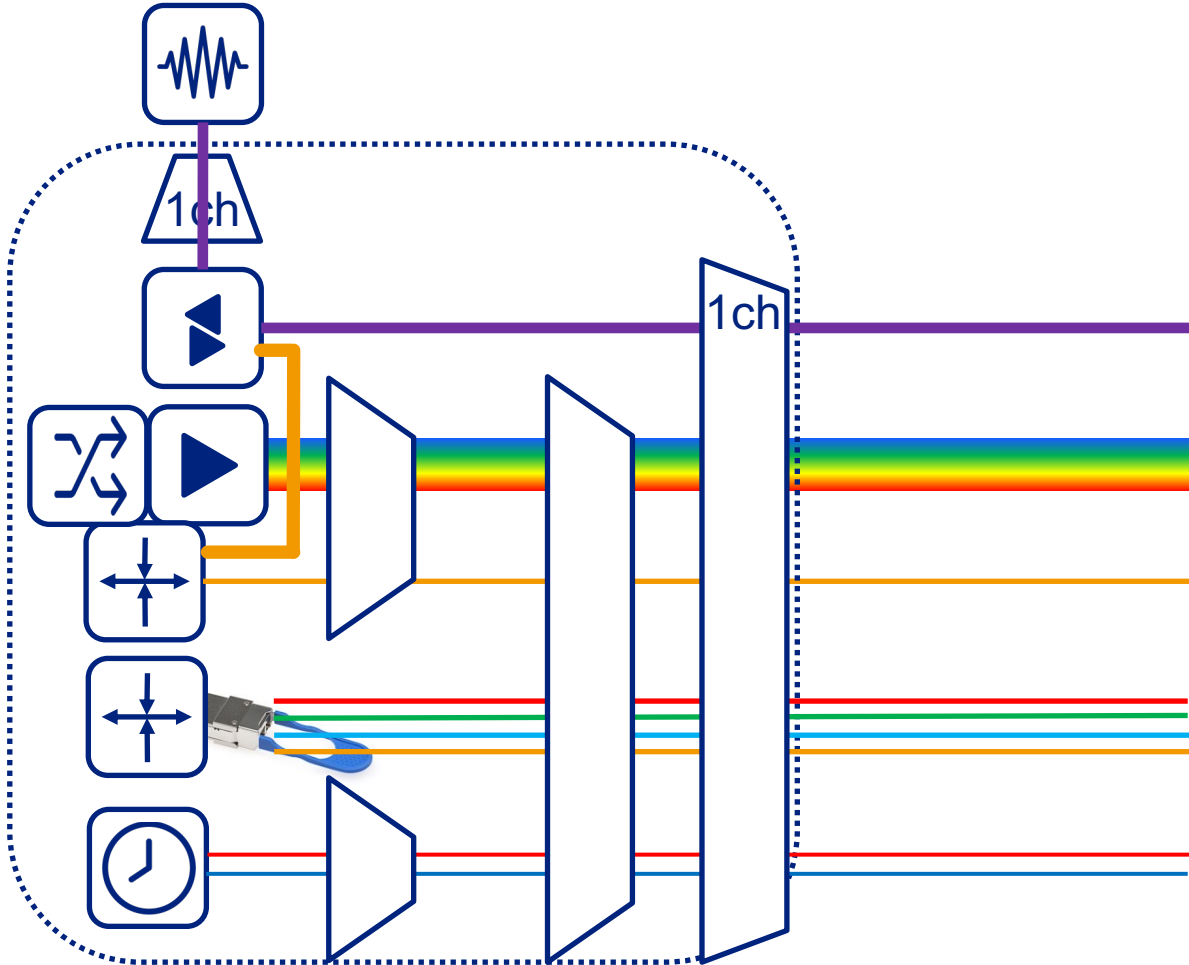
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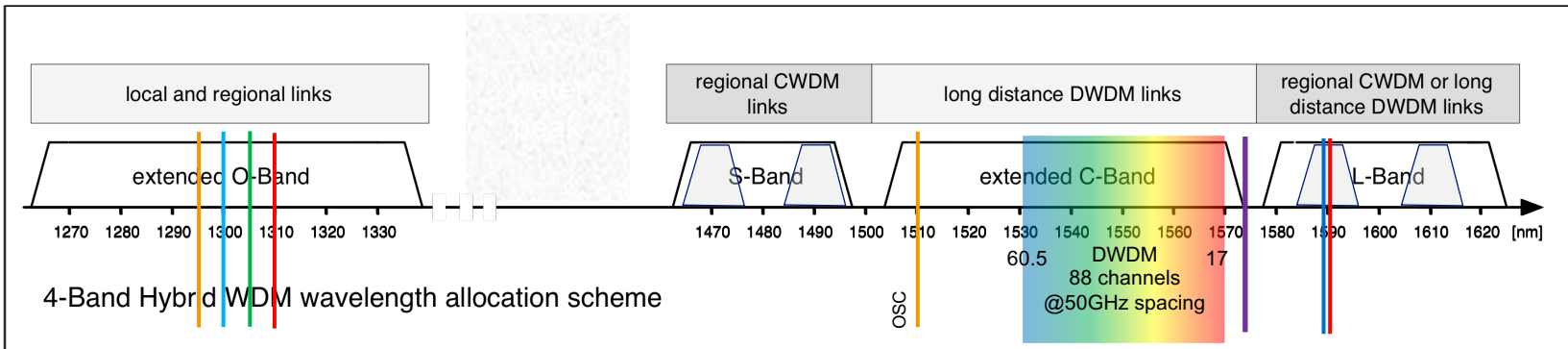
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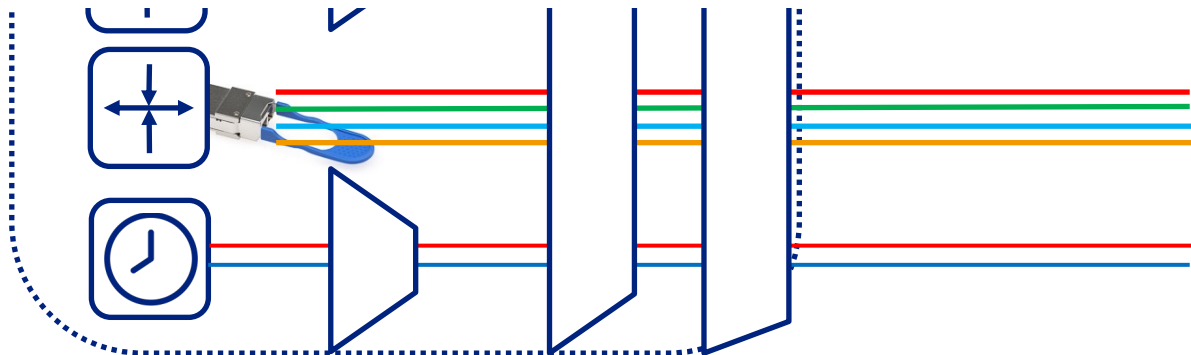


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