

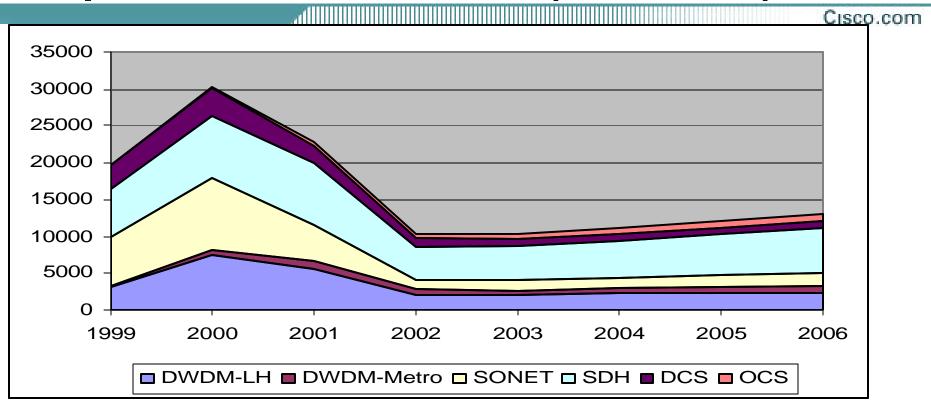
# The Future of Optical Networking

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### Optical Market Forecast (WW in \$M)



- Post bubble growth is modest
- Capex driven by revenue; metro emphasis
- Bulk of spending still in SONET/SDH, not WDM
- Industry consolidation
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### **Technology Adoption in the Network**

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MSPP: Multi-service provisioning platforms TDM and packet services over SONET

MSSP: Multi-service switching platforms STS-level optical (electrical) cross connect Node consolidation, mesh networking

MSTP: Multi-service transport platforms
Optimize multiservice TDM, stat mux + DWDM

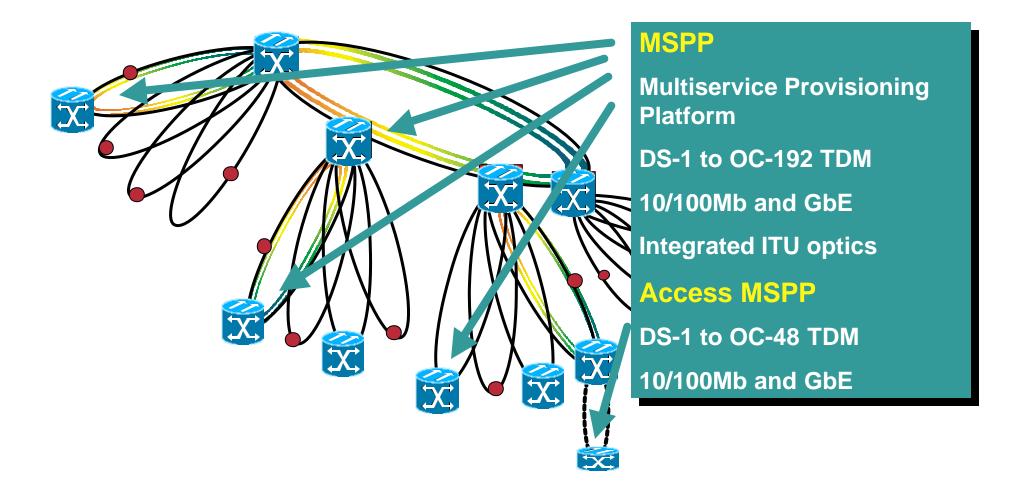
Dynamic optical networks
Time-of-day & BOD connections

Packet switching / Burst switching

2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 ...

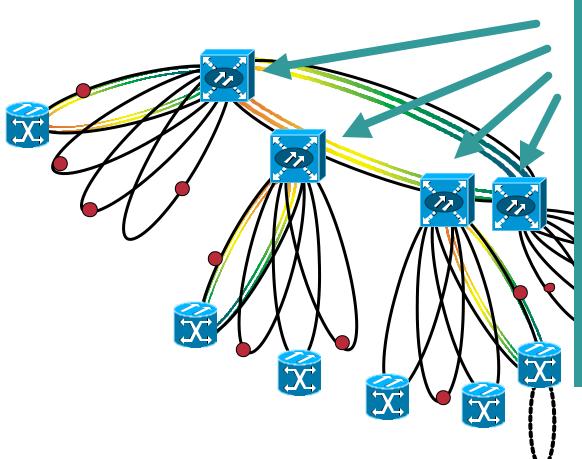
Never?

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#### **MSSP**

**Multiservice Switching Platform** 

320 Gb/s to Multi Tb/s

DS3 to OC-192 TDM

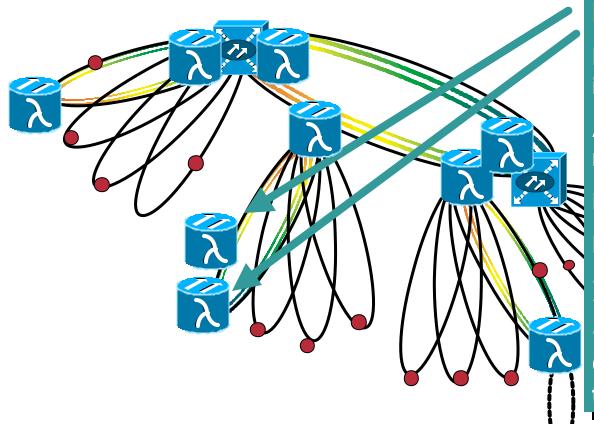
Non-blocking VC-4 / STS-1 Cross-connect Matrix

**ITU Optics** 

1Gb/s & 10Gb/s Ethernet

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#### **MSTP**

**DWDM with MSPP software intelligence** 

Access through regional reach (100s of km)

Flexible OADMs

**Robust, carrier-class DWDM** 

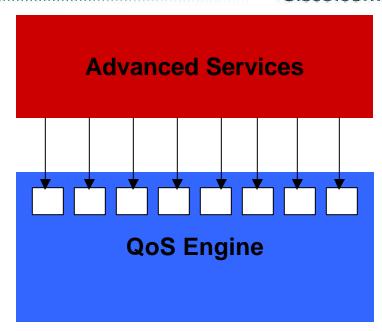
1 Services

10GigE, GigE, ESCON, Fiber Channel, SDH/SONET 150M to 10G

# Innovations for Multiservice over SONET/SDH Service Delivery

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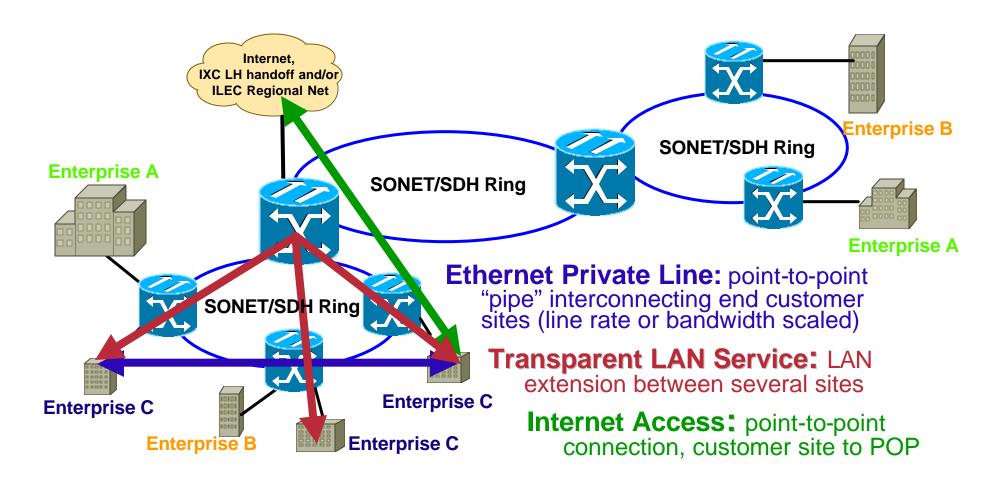
- Deploying advanced services is key to profitability
- Ethernet, Video, VoIP, and SAN Interconnect key service needs
- QoS is necessary for advanced services and providing SLAs
- Cisco IOS provides advanced perpacket, per port QoS
- Packet Multiplexing is crucial for network efficiency and scale
- Cisco technology innovations (MPLS, RPR, EoS) enable this
- SONET/SDH will need to become more efficient
- GFP, CCAT, VCAT, and LCAS all offer incremental improvements



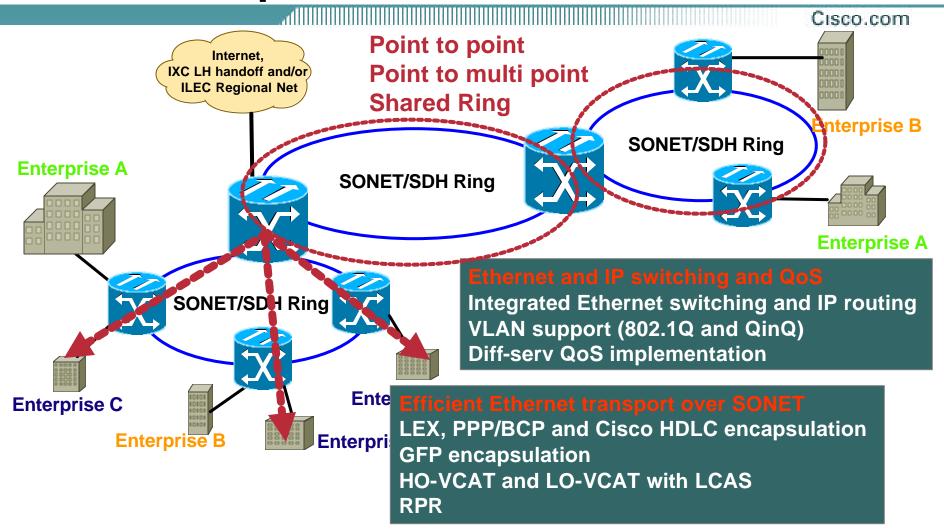
Packet Multiplexing to the Transport Layer

**Data-Optimized SONET/SDH** 

#### **Data Transport Evolution**



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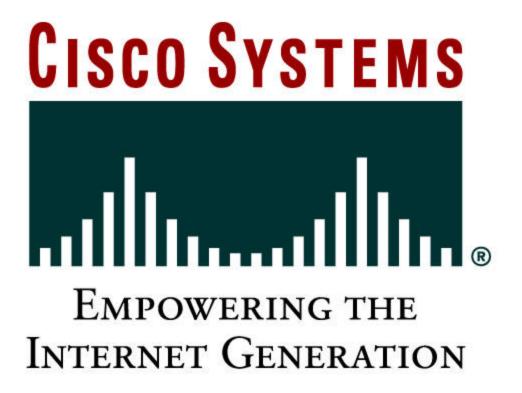


#### What about the Near Future?

Topic	When?	Why?
Electrical mesh protection	2002-2004	Reduced bandwidth makes sense, but complicated to get right
Optical control plane/ GMPLS	2005-	Initial application for scalability, reduced network mgt cost  Future application for dynamic services
Flexible OADMs	2003-	Flexible initially, ROADMs later
Photonic switching	2006-	Electrical switching good enough Incorporated into ROADMs

#### What about the Far Future?

Topic	When?	Why?
All-optical mesh protection	Far out	Complicated and requires advances in optical technology
Burst switching	Far out	Not as challenging as packet switching, but must be justified over simple optical bypass + sophisticated electrical routers
Packet switching	Never?	Too many challenges with ns-level optics and sophisticated logic at this layer
Interoperability at the optical layer	Never?	Too complicated. Single-vendor islands are good enough

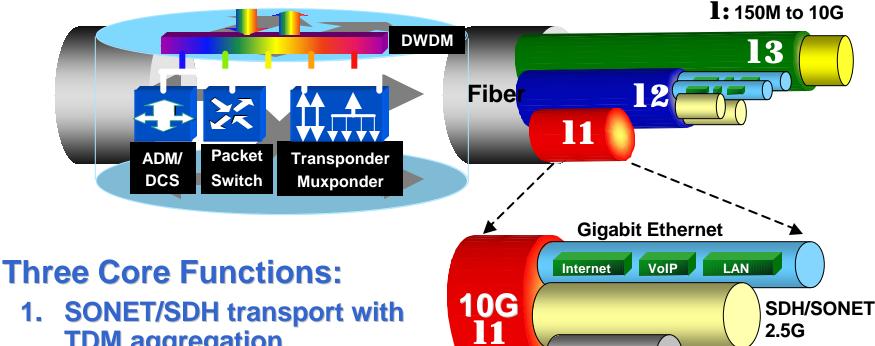


# Other potential topics for discussion (let me know which ones to expand upon)

- Why stat muxing should be part of the transport layer? (interesting for the infocom crowd) – we have good slides on this
- The future of ULH, 40G and up
- How everything changes if OEOs become real cheap AON may go away or become a band level solution
- Photonic switching (from 1000 port OOO to OADM w varying levels of agility)
- Fully automated photonic layer (pre-deployment issue)

#### **MSTP Architecture**

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## **TDM** aggregation

- 2. Native Ethernet, IP, SAN switching and aggregation
- 3. Intelligent DWDM with wavelength services

#### **Streamlines CapEx**

E-3/DS-3

600M

150M