



## Agenda

- **System Overview**
- **Switch Fabric**
- **Line-Card Architecture**
- **Interfaces**
- **Software**

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## Cisco GSR 12000 IP Backbone Leadership

- World wide Internet proven deployment since 1997
- Carrier-class architecture
- Premier IP-routing software
- Leading interface breadth
- Technology innovation

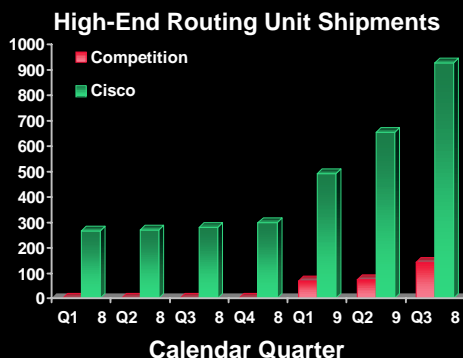


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## Cisco Is the Leader in High-End Routing

### Cisco 12000 GSR Continues to Be the Platform of Choice

- 100+ terabits of deployed IP capacity
- Over 5500 GSR systems sold
- Over 3000 2.5 Gbps IP interfaces
- Over 400 customers



Source: Synergy Research Cisco Internal Data

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## Leveraging the Cisco 12000 for POP Consolidation

### Optical IP Backbone

- OC-48/STM16 and OC-192/STM64 trunks
- Terabit capacity
- Fast restoration
- Tag/MPLS for traffic engineering

Backbone

### Optical Aggregation

- High-density DS3, OC-3, and OC-12
- Sophisticated "edge" functionality
- Data optimized rings (DPT)
- Customer access

### Content Aggregation

- High density Ethernet
- Web hosting/server farms

Content Aggregation



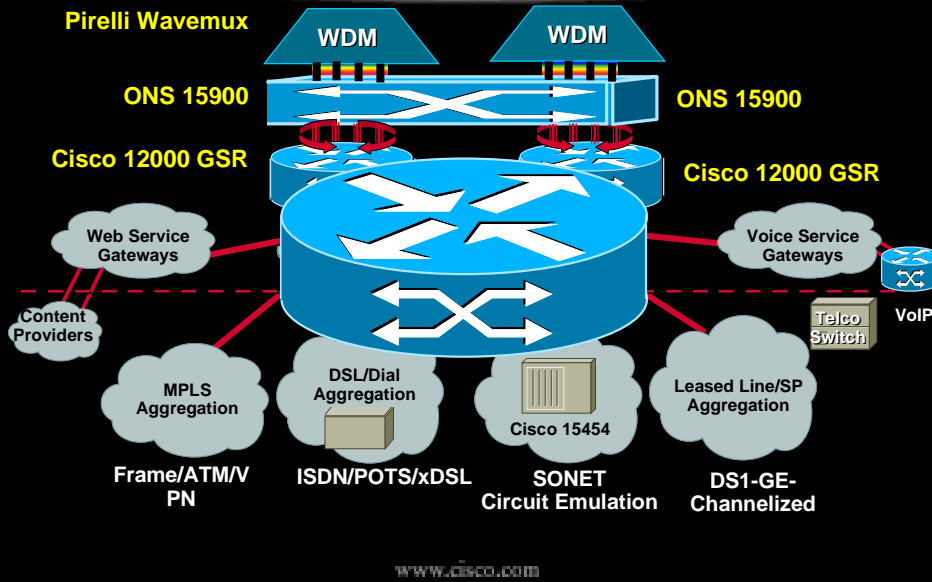
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Number of Access Ports,  
Speed of Access and  
Operational Simplicity  
Driving New Designs

Optical Aggregation

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# Building a New World IP POP



# Scaling The Internet Infrastructure

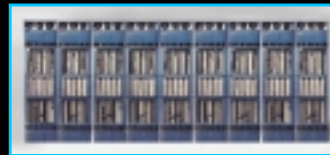


|                  | Cisco 12008                              | Cisco 12012                              | Cisco 12016                              |
|------------------|--|--|--|
| Bandwidth        | 40 Gbps                                  | 60 Gbps                                  | 320 Gbps                                 |
| Chassis Slots    | 8  | 12                                       | 16                                       |
| IO Slots         | 7  | 11                                       | 15                                       |
| Fabric Slots     | 5  | 5  | 5  |
| Systems Per Rack | 3  | 1  | 1  |
| Size             | 24.9"H x 17.5"W x 21"D                   | 56"H x 17.5"W x 21"D                     | 72"H x 17.5"W x 21"D                     |
| Power            | AC, DC                                   | AC, DC                                   | AC, DC                                   |
| Redundancy       | RP, Power, Line Card, Mbus, Fabric, Fans | RP, Power, Line Card, Mbus, Fabric, Fans | RP, Power, Line Card, Mbus, Fabric, Fans |

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## New! Cisco 12016

- **Cisco 12016**  
Scalable to 320Gbps
- **OC-192c/STM64c**  
Packet-over-SONET/  
SDH interface  
Currently in field trials
- **Cisco 12000**  
terabit system  
Scalable to 5 Tbps



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## Cisco 12016 GSR Scalable to 320 Gbps and Beyond

**NEW**

- **Switching performance**
- **High-speed and denser interfaces**
- **Service enablers**
- **Carrier class/robustness**

**All Line Cards Can Be Used  
in Cisco 12016**



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## Cisco 12016 Specifications

- **Physical**

Installs in a single seven foot tall, 19" telco rack

- **Power**

International AC or DC power system with redundancy option

- **Configuration**

Two interface shelves, 16 slots, one dedicated slot for RP, 15 for linecards

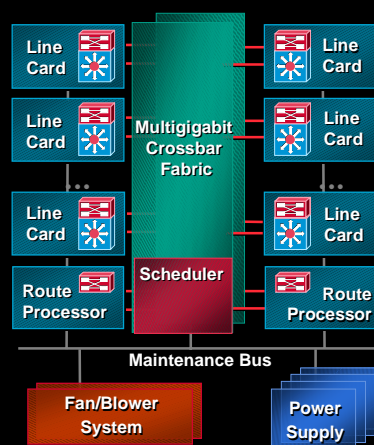
One fabric shelf, with five slots



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## GSR Architecture Carrier Class Design

- **NEBS compliant**
- **Redundancy**
- **Automatic Protection Switching (APS)/Multiplex Section Protection (MSP)**
- **Online Insertion and Removal (OIR)**
- **Separate maintenance bus**
- **Extensive environmental monitoring**



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## Architecture For Performance, Real Time Services and Resiliency

Carrier Class Resiliency

Support for Real Time Services with Low Latency

The test results pointedly underscore the fact that the Cisco 12000 Series GSR is well suited to Internet Service Providers (ISPs) who require core routing products that not only provide line-rate processing, but also offer advanced traffic management capabilities.

Wire Speed

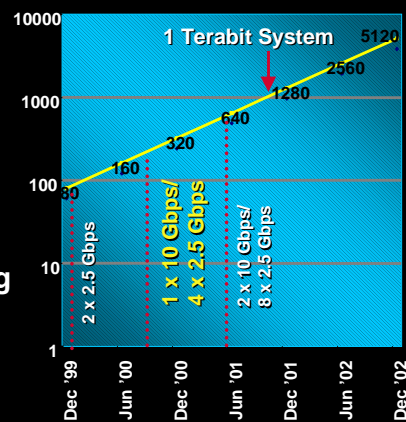
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## OC-192/STM64 POS

### Meeting Growing Backbone Bandwidth Demand

- **Backbone capacity**  
Most intercity links are 2 x 2.5 Gbps today with low average utilization  
Expectation for 1 x 10 Gbps by mid CY '00  
Backbone bandwidth doubling every six to nine months
- **OC-192/STM64 currently in trials**



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## Scaling to Terabits

### Requirements for Terabit Routing Platform

- Support high-bandwidth PoP requirements
- Support existing capabilities of Internet control plane
- Scale services breadth
- Lower operational costs

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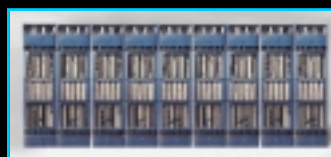
## Scaling to Terabits

### Cisco 12000 Terabit System

- Utilizing Internet proven GSR platform
- Building on extensive control plane and service enablers in Cisco IOS®
- Simple scalability from 320 Gbps to five Tbps
- Investment protection



320 Gbps



Five Tbps

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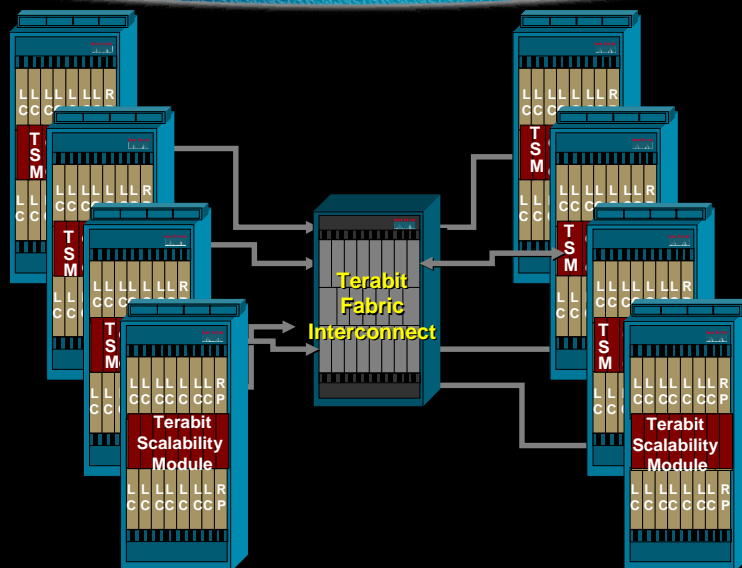
## The Cisco 12000 Terabit System

### Scalability with Stability and Services

- Infrastructure stability
- Lower operational costs
- Services
- Scalability on demand
- Manageability

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## Terabit Scalability on Proven GSR Platform



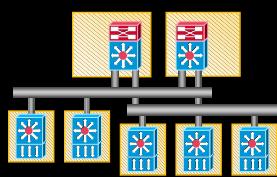
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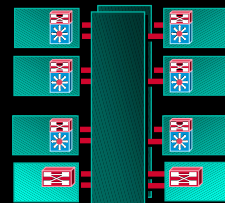
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## Architecture For Scaling to Gigabit Routing



**Cisco 7500 Series**

- Bus-based interconnect
- Centralized/distributed forwarding
- Software-based services support



**Cisco 12000 Series**

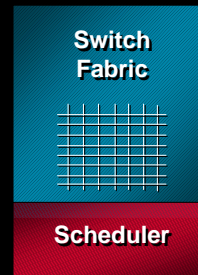
- Cross-bar switching fabric
- Fully-distributed forwarding
- Hardware-based services support



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## GSR Switch Fabric Architecture

- Crossbar switch fabric
- Distributed over multiple cards: SFC and CSC
- Fabric supports redundancy with no data loss on switchover



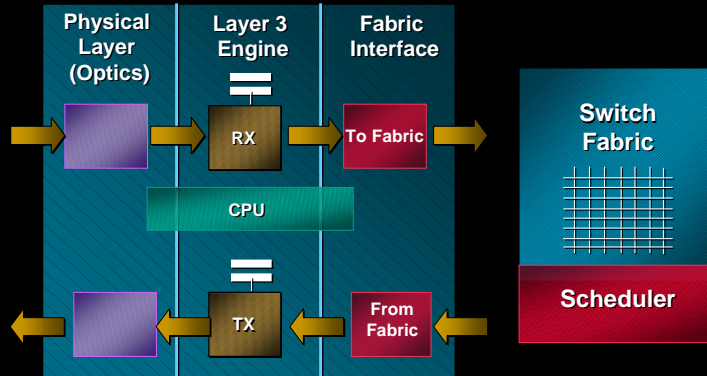
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## System Capacity

- Five 1.25 Gbps serial lines per slot
- Switch capacity per slot =  $4 \times 1.25 \text{ Gbps/slot} = 5 \text{ Gbps/slot}$
- Cisco 12008 system capacity:  
 $5 \text{ Gbps/slot} \times 8 = 40 \text{ Gbps}$
- Cisco 12012 system capacity:  
 $5 \text{ Gbps/slot} \times 12 \text{ slots} = 60 \text{ Gbps}$
- Cisco 12016 system capacity (four sets):  
 $5 \text{ Gbps/slot/set} \times 4 \text{ sets} = 20 \text{ Gbps/slot}$   
System capacity =  $20 \text{ Gbps/slot} \times 16 \text{ slots} = 320 \text{ Gbps}$

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## Inherent Scalability of Cisco 12000 Architecture

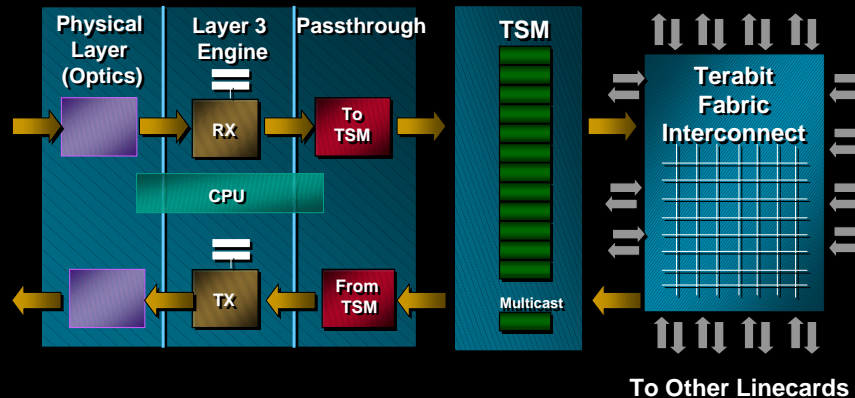


- Modular linecard architecture separates fabric Interface functionality
- Scalable crossbar fabric with Virtual Output Queuing (VoQ)
- Scaling is a function of the fabric interface and crossbar units

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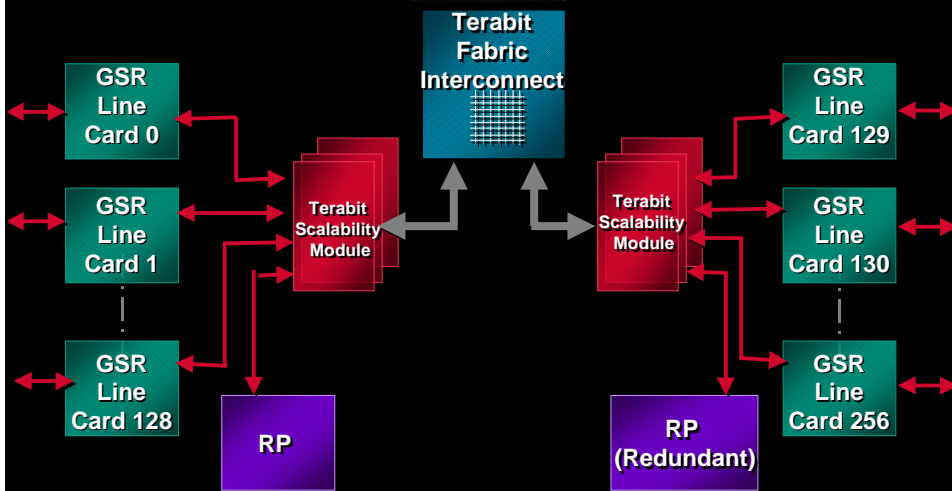
## Terabit Scalability of Cisco 12000 Architecture

- Linecard has physical layer, Layer 3 engine and simple FIFO to TSM
- Terabit scalability modules implement the fabric interface and voqs
- Required to interface with 255 other slots in a five terabit system



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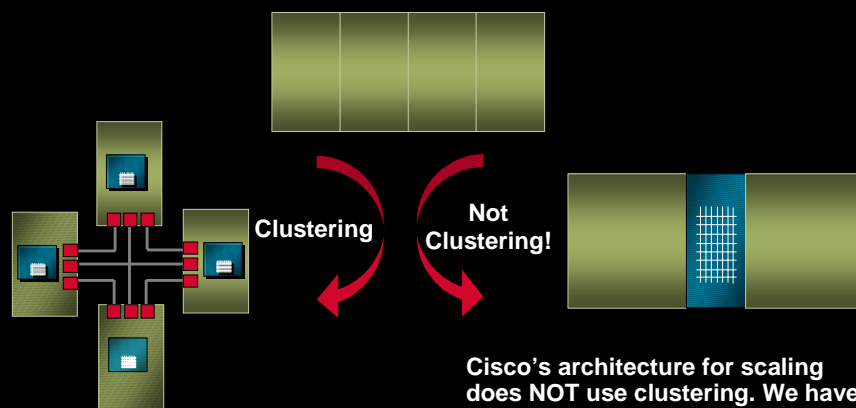
## System Overview Architecture for Scale and Performance



Note: All cards interconnected via extended M-Bus (not shown)

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## How Are We Scaling? It's Not Clustering!

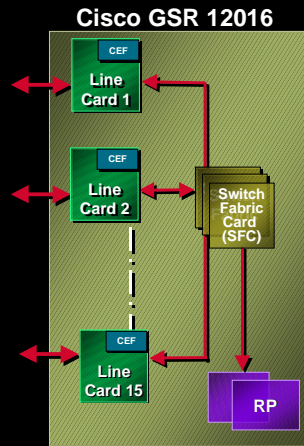


**Clustering** involves **interconnecting** lots of single shelf units **with I/O ports**

Cisco's architecture for scaling does **NOT** use clustering. We have scaled the current architecture by **scaling the switch fabric** and connecting to **multiple I/O shelves**

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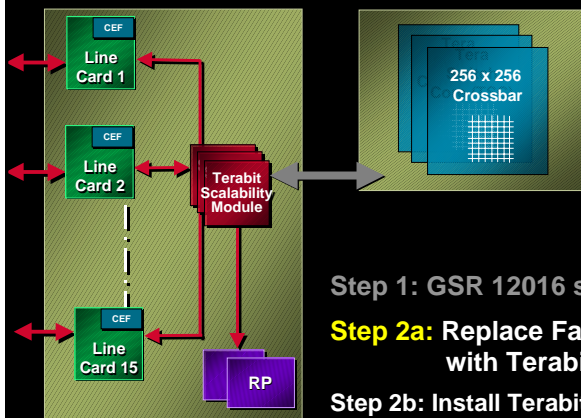
## The Cisco 12000 Architectures Extends for Smooth Scalability to Terabits



**Step 1:** Cisco GSR 12016 standalone system

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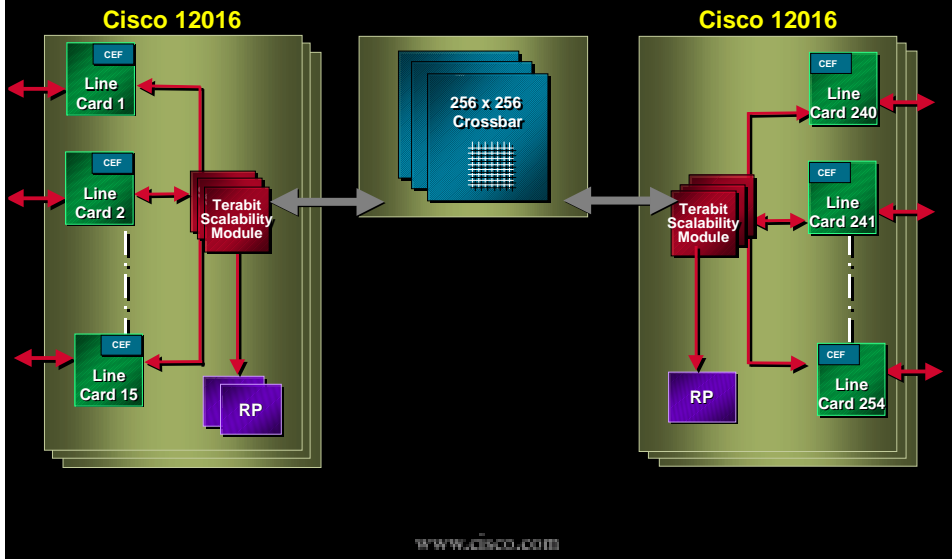
**Step 2a:** Replace Fabric Cards in GSR 12016 with Terabit Scalability Module

Step 2b: Install Terabit Fabric Interconnect

Step 3: Add up to 15 additional 12016 nodes

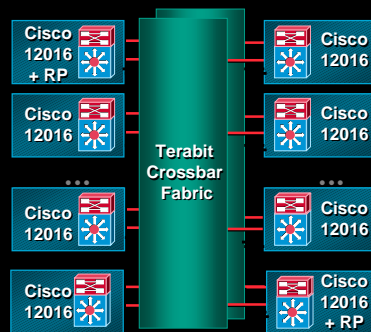
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## The Cisco 12000 Architectures Extends for Smooth Scalability to Terabits



## Cisco 12000 Terabit System Architecture Availability Features

- Dual-route processors
- Distributed forwarding tables
- Switch fabric redundancy
- Redundant power supplies
- Redundant cooling systems
- Maintenance bus
- Line card protection



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## Line Card Architecture

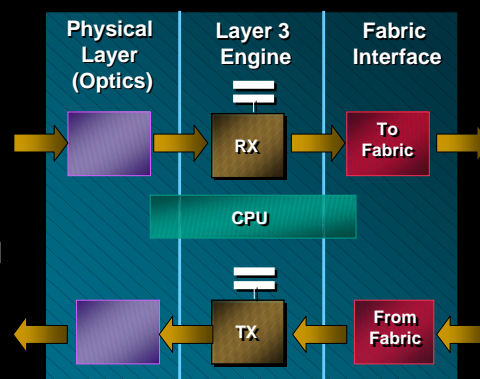
- **Line card components**

Physical layer (optics, framer, SAR, etc.)

Layer 3 engine (router)

Fabric interface (line card to/from fabric interface)

Central processor (CPU)

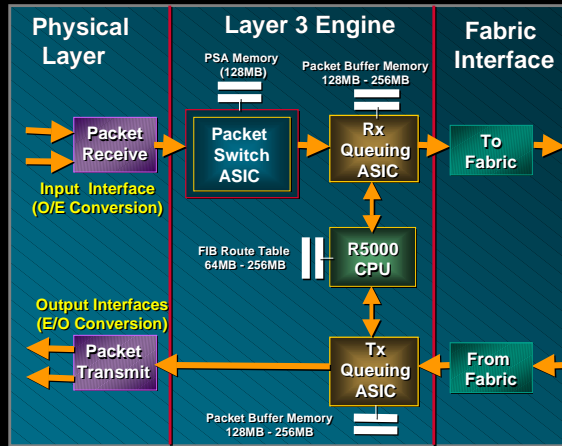


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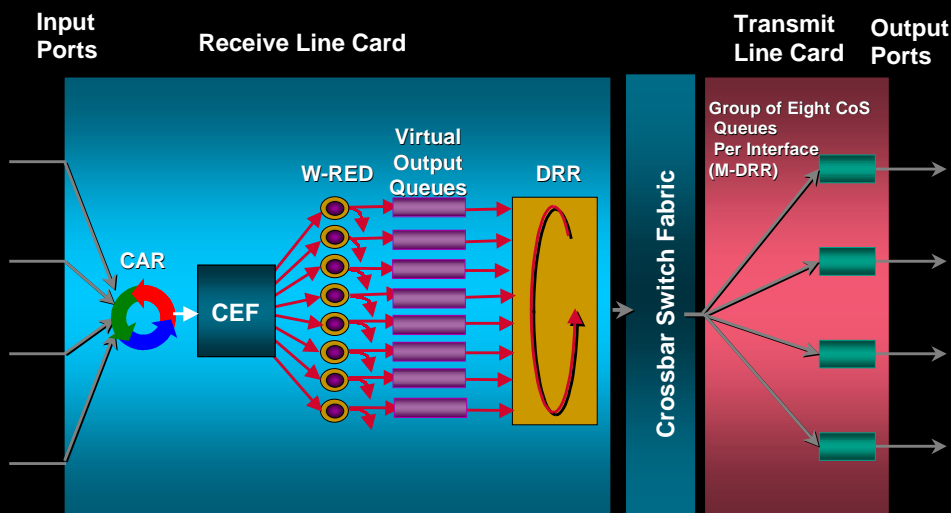
# Line Card Architecture Packet Flow

- **Physical layer**  
Optics, framer and packet extraction
- **Layer 3 switching engine**  
PSA—ASIC-based forwarding  
CPU—Processor-based forwarding  
(ICMP, IP options and non IPv4 packets)
- **Fabric interface**  
Tx/Rx from other LCs



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# Putting it All Together



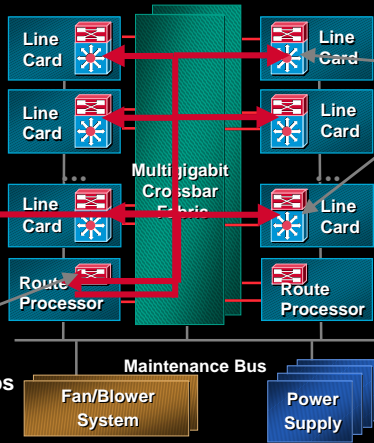
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# Packet Flow Routing Updates

Distributed Cisco Express Forwarding (dCEF)

Routing Update

Routing Tables Calculated and Fibs Created



Forwarding Information Base Distributed to Each Line Card Via IPC

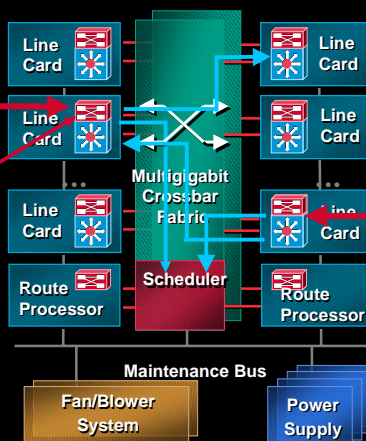
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# Packet Flow Data Packets

Address lookup in local forwarding table and packet queued in VOQ to forward through fabric and avoid HOL (see COS section for more details)

Data Packet

A



B Next clock cycle all cards send packets through fabric

Cross Connect set up

C Data Packet

Request sent to scheduler to set up cross connect during next clock cycle

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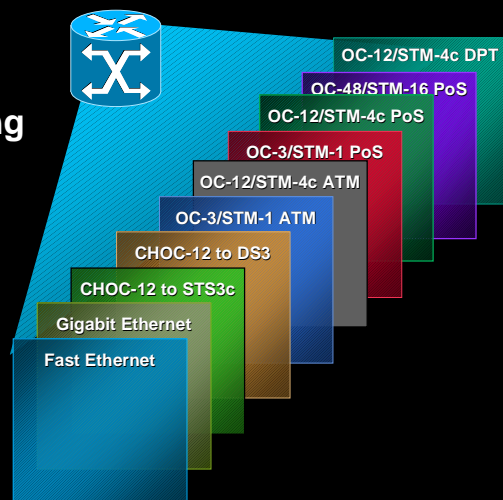
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## Cisco 12000 Interface Overview

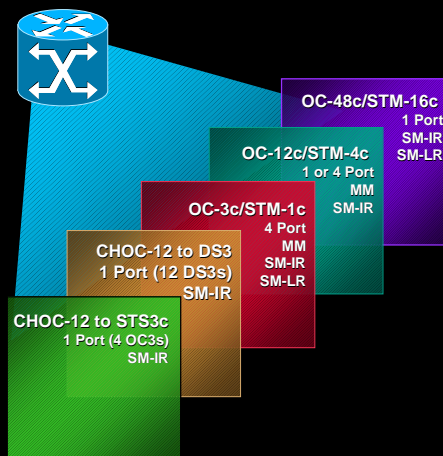
- Industry leading interface breadth
- Optimized for queuing and forwarding
- Hardware assist for high-performance switching
- Silicon queuing engine for QoS
- Multiple optics



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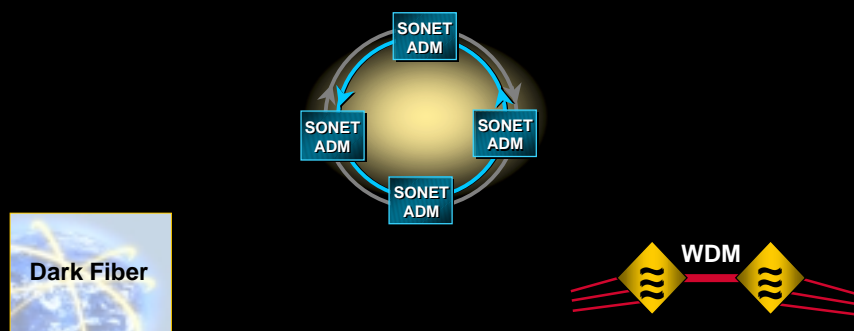
## Packet over SONET/SDH Interfaces

- Cisco was first to market with PoS interfaces
- Offered in a variety of data rates (OC-3/STM1 OC-48/STM16)
- Multiple optics
  - Multimode (OC-3/STM1)
  - Single-mode intermediate Reach (OC12/STM4)
  - Single-mode long reach (OC-3/STM1 and OC-48/STM16)



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## Packet-over-SONET/SDH Enables Flexible Connectivity



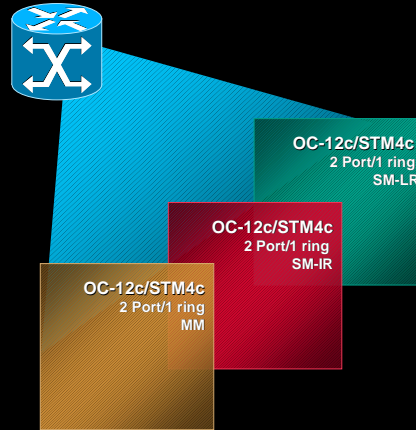
### PoS Packet-over-SONET/SDH

- Runs over dark fiber, SONET, or WDM
- Enables transport “mix and match”

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## Dynamic Packet Transport (DPT) Interfaces

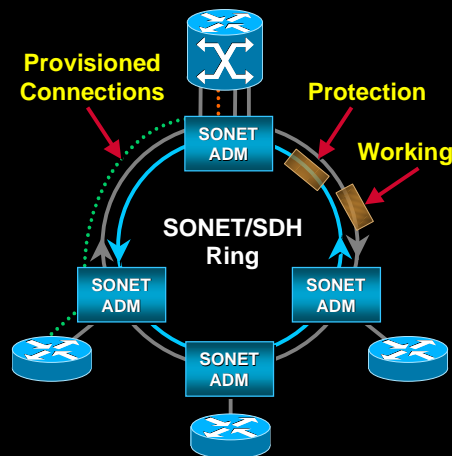
- Ring-based packet transport
  - Eliminate SONET/SDH equipment while retaining benefits
  - Maximize bandwidth efficiency
- Offered in OC-12c/STM4c rates on Cisco GSR 12000 and Cisco 7500
- Multiple optics
  - Multimode single mode
  - Intermediate reach
  - Single-mode long reach



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## SONET/SDH-Based TDM Transport

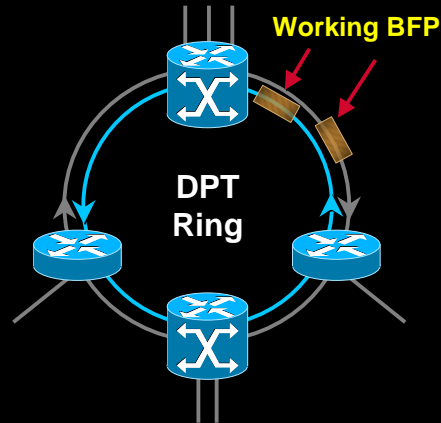
- Accepted transport architecture
- Performance monitoring and self healing
- Expensive and inefficient for packets
  - Multiple equipment layers
  - Bandwidth inefficiency



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## DPT Ring-Based Packet Transport

- Eliminate SONET/SDH equipment while retaining benefits
- Maximize bandwidth efficiency
- Extend rich IP functionality over metro area
- Minimize provisioning and configuration requirements



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## DPT Multiplies Ring Bandwidth

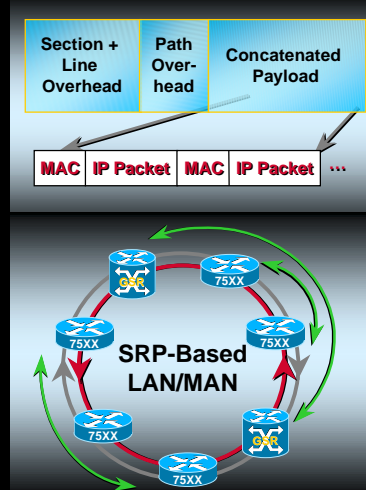
|                              | The Old Math<br>SONET/SDH Ring            | The New Math<br>SRP Ring                        |
|------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Fiber BW</b>              | 50% of Bandwidth Nailed-Up for Protection | Two Working Fibers                              |
| <b>Statistical Multiplex</b> | Per-Provisioned Connection                | Two Big Fiber Pipes Access and Backbone Factors |
| <b>Spatial Reuse</b>         | Static, Provisioned Time Slots            | Dynamic, per Packet                             |
| <b>Ring Wrap</b>             | Wrap onto Dedicated Protection Time Slots | Rehome via Topology Discovery and ARP           |

**Bandwidth Efficiency Is Key Economic Driver**

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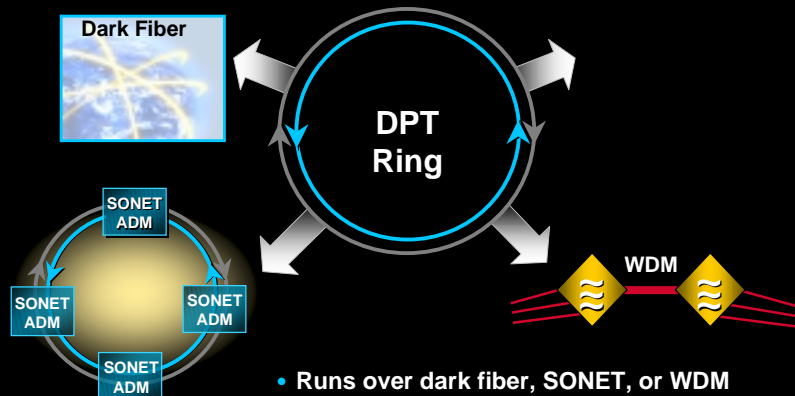
## DPT Overview

- Layer 2 MAC protocol—SRP
- Uses SONET/SDH framing
- Bandwidth efficient
- Fairness algorithm
- Scalable
- Fast protection switching and service restoration
- Multicasting and priority



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## DPT Enables Transport Flexibility and Evolution



SONET/SDH Ring or Linear Point to Point

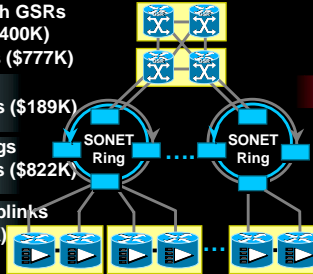
- Runs over dark fiber, SONET, or WDM
- Enables transport “mix and match”
- Provides efficient evolution path for incumbents
- Provides optimized transport for greenfield builds

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# DPT Scales the Metro Economically

## SONET/SDH Ring Case Cost Elements

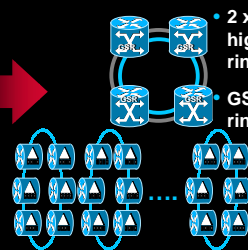
- Two SuperPoPs with GSRs with OC-12 mesh (\$400K)
- POS ports on GSRs (\$777K)
- SONET ADM Trib uplinks from access (\$189K)
- 6 OC-48 SONET rings add/dropping OC-3s (\$822K)
- SONET ADM Trib uplinks from access (\$189K)
- 42 PoPs providing high-speed IP access (\$504K)



**Total = \$2881K**

## DPT Case Cost Elements

- 2 x OC-48c GSR high-speed DPT rings (\$360K)
- GSR low-speed DPT ring linecards (\$217K)
- Local access rings for traffic aggregation (\$504K)



**Total = \$1081K**

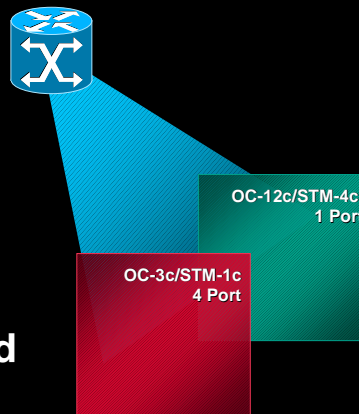
### Incremental Growth Costs

- Add router to SONET case—\$28K
- Add router to DPT case—\$11K

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# Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) Interfaces

- Offered in a variety of data rates
  - OC-3/STM1
  - OC-12/STM4
- Used for aggregation and backbone connectivity

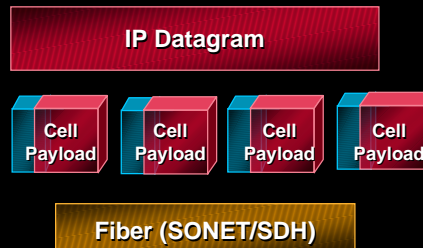


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## ATM on Cisco GSR 12000

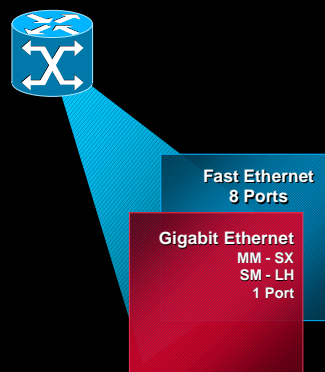
- ATM interfaces allow GSRs to be connected to ATM switches/networks
- ATM Layer is used for transport
- Segmentation Assembly and Reassembly (SAR) functions incorporated on interface cards



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## Ethernet Interfaces

- Gigabit Ethernet interface available
- 8-port FE available
- Used primarily for IntraPoP applications



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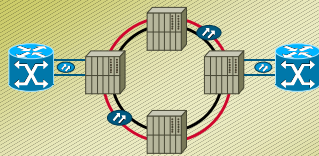
## Backbone Applications



Connect to transponders in a WDM system (typically OC-12c/STM4c or OC-48c/STM16c)



Interconnect Cisco 12000 GSR directly over dark fiber with regenerators to extend the distance of LR interfaces (typically OC-48c/STM16c)



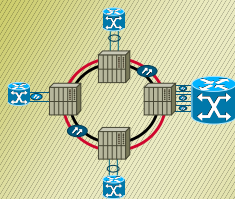
Connect to tributary interfaces on SONET/SDH muxes (OC-3c/STM1c to OC-48c/STM16c POS)



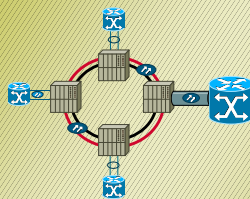
Cisco 12000 GSR backbone interconnected via VPs/VCs through public/private ATM network (OC-3c/STM1c or OC-12c/STM4c)

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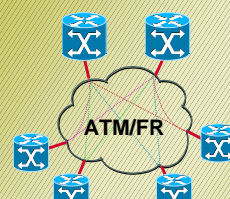
## Aggregation Applications



Connect to Other Routers Via a SONET/SDH Access Ring, With Multiple Tributary Connections Between the Cisco GSR at the Pop—One for Each (OC-3c/stm1c to OC-48/stm16c)



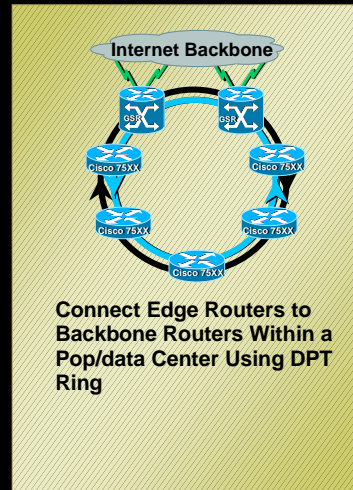
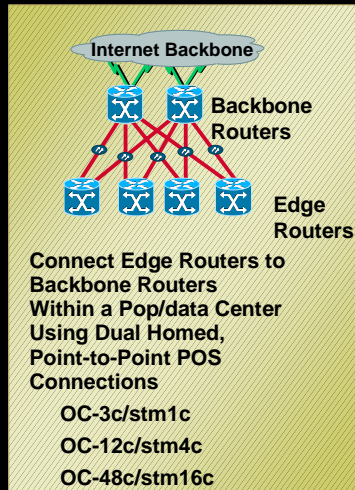
Connect to Other Routers Via a SONET/SDH Access Ring, with Channelized Interface to Connect to Tributary Side to Aggregate Multiple Sites on to One Physical Interface (DS3 to OC-3/STM1 on CHOC-12/STM4)



Cisco 12000 GSRs and Remote Routers Connect to Frame Relay/atm Network. Remote Routers Connect to Cisco 12000 GSR Interfaces. Allows Aggregation of Multiple Remote Locations into a Single Router Interface

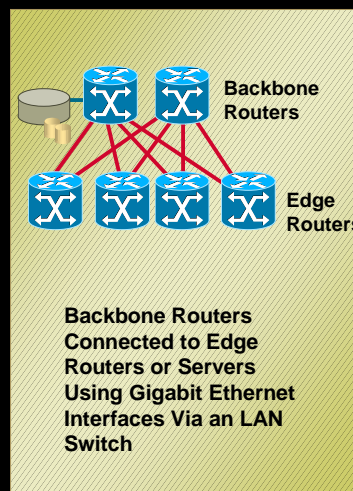
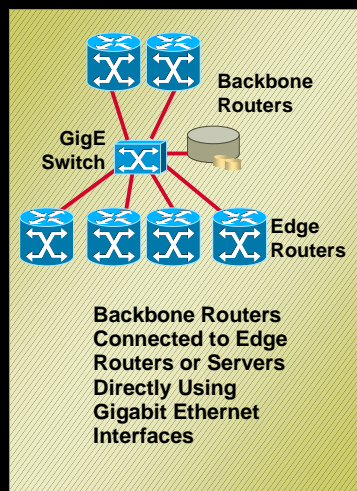
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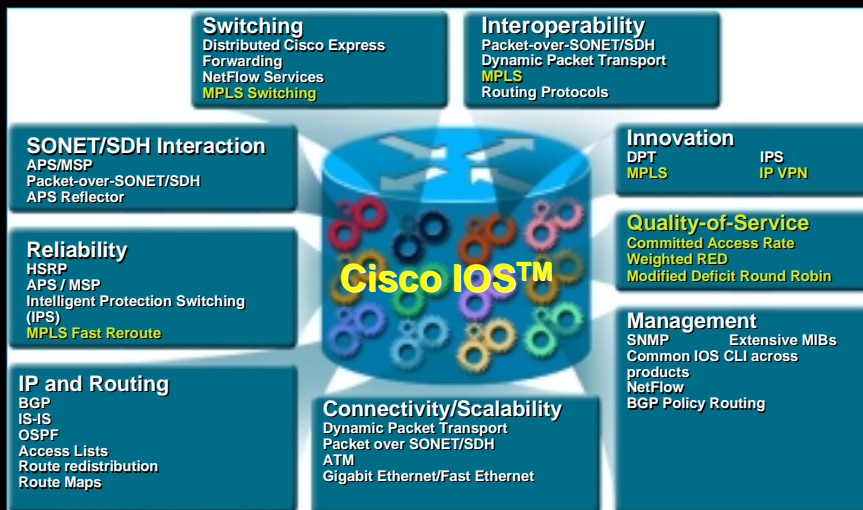
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# Agenda

- System Overview
- Switch Fabric
- Line Card Architecture
- Interfaces
- **Software**

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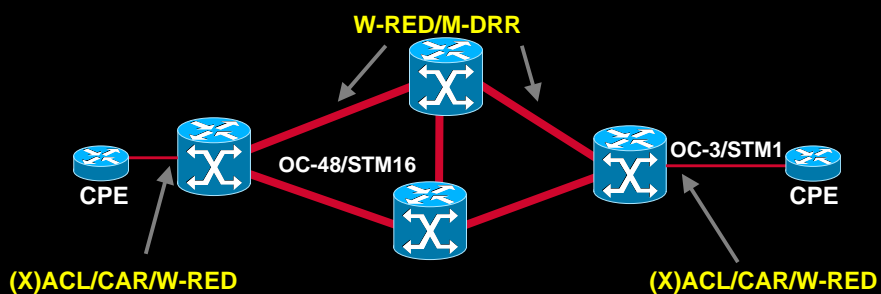
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## Class of Service Features

- **Admission control**  
Access lists (ACL), extended ACL (EACL)
- **Packet classification/rate limiting**  
Committed access rate
- **Congestion avoidance**  
Random early detection (RED)  
Weighted random early detection (WRED)
- **Queue scheduling**  
Deficit round robin (DRR)

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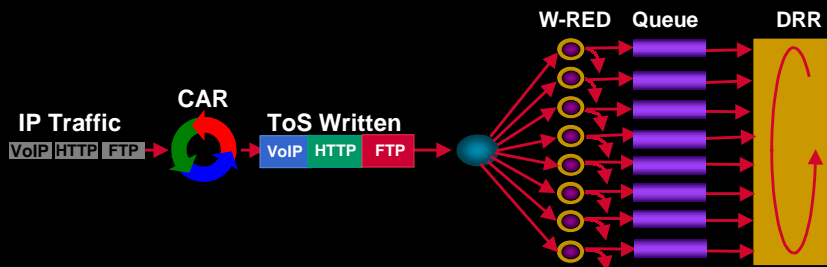
## QoS/CoS—Edge vs. Core



- Separate QoS mechanisms for edge and core
- Admission control (X-ACL) and traffic classification (CAR) at the edge of the network
- Congestion management (W-RED) and traffic class prioritization (M-DRR) in the core

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## Class of Service Putting it All Together



- Packets are:
  - Colored (ToS set) at Ingress
  - Classified and potentially discarded by W-RED (congestion mgmt)
  - Assigned to the appropriate outgoing queue
  - Scheduled for transmission by DRR

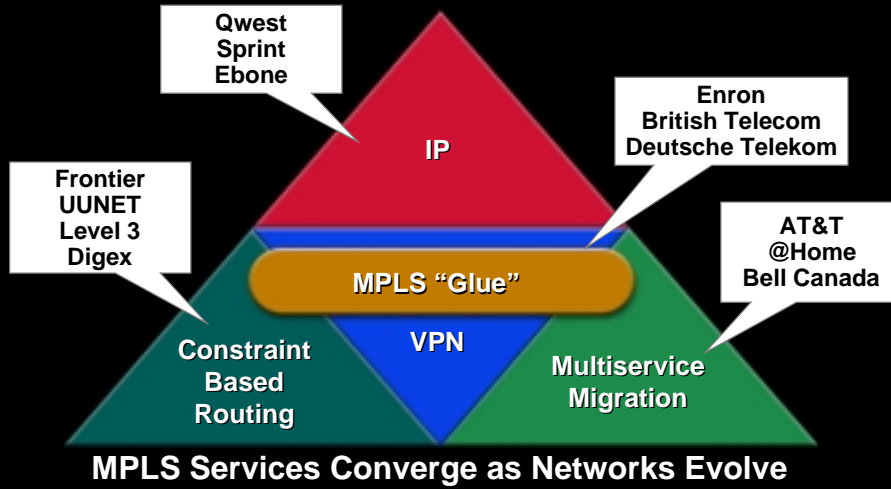
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## MPLS Feature Support

- Push/pop/swap performed at line rate
- Routing with resource reservations for traffic engineering and restoration
- VPN services functionality
- Support for MPLS CoS
  - Precedence mapping based on label precedence field
- Support for Frame Relay over MPLS services
- Support for MPLS multicast

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## MPLS Enables IP Service Foundation

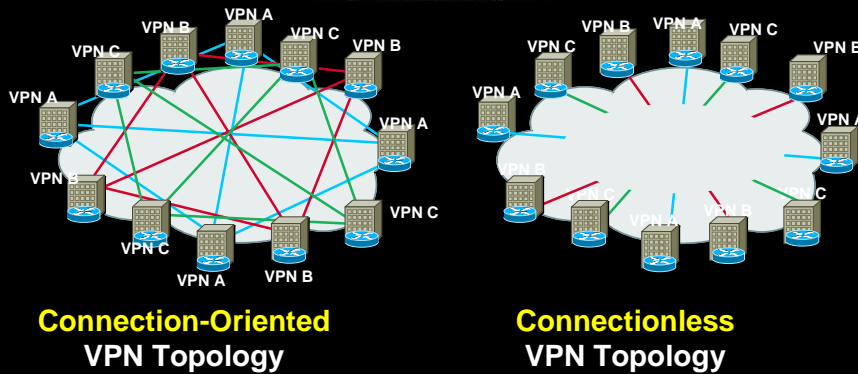


## Traffic Engineering with MPLS

- Optimize network utilization
  - Traffic follows prespecified path
  - Path differs from normally routed path
  - Analogous to a virtual circuit, but at IP level
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- Route Chosen by IP Routing Protocol
- Route Specified by Traffic Engineering

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## Benefits of Internet-Scale VPNs



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Than “Overlaid”

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