

DATA CENTER BANDWIDTH SCENARIOS

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From Applications to Data Centers

- Applications, servers, storage, networks and data centers have varied compute, bandwidth and availability requirements
 - Intel has 150 different processors for server market
 - Servers vary from <1/10U to multiple racks
 - Switch ports range from 100 Mb/s to 100 Gb/s
 - Storage devices vary from 10GB to 100s of Petabytes
 - 100 servers to 100,000 servers in a data center
- Because of the varied requirements and capabilities, it is difficult to talk about anything specific without losing something
- I'll try anyway...

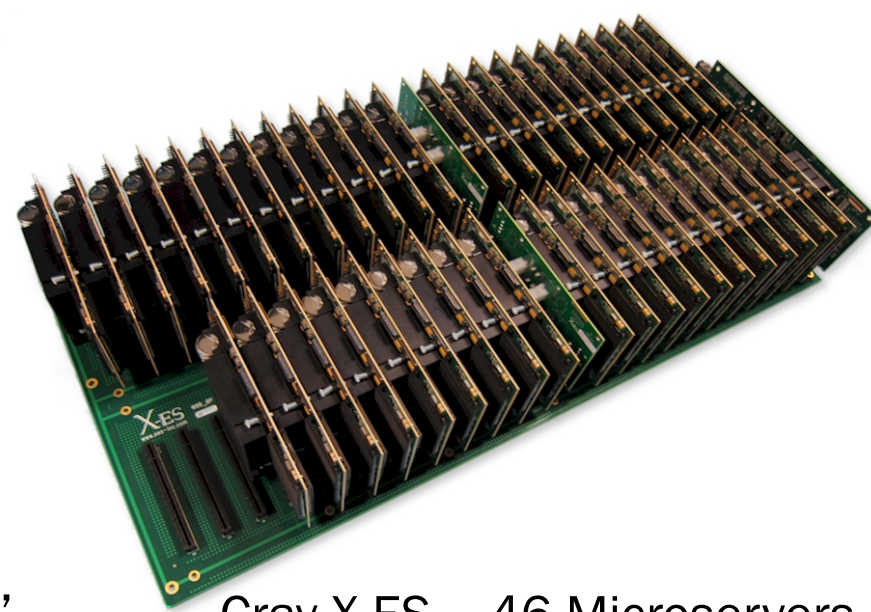
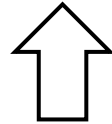


Starting with Servers

Multiple Server Categories

- Microservers
 - Blade Servers
 - <1U Servers
 - 1-2U Servers
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- 4-12U Servers
 - Rack and multi-rack Servers

95% of Volume,
Not revenue



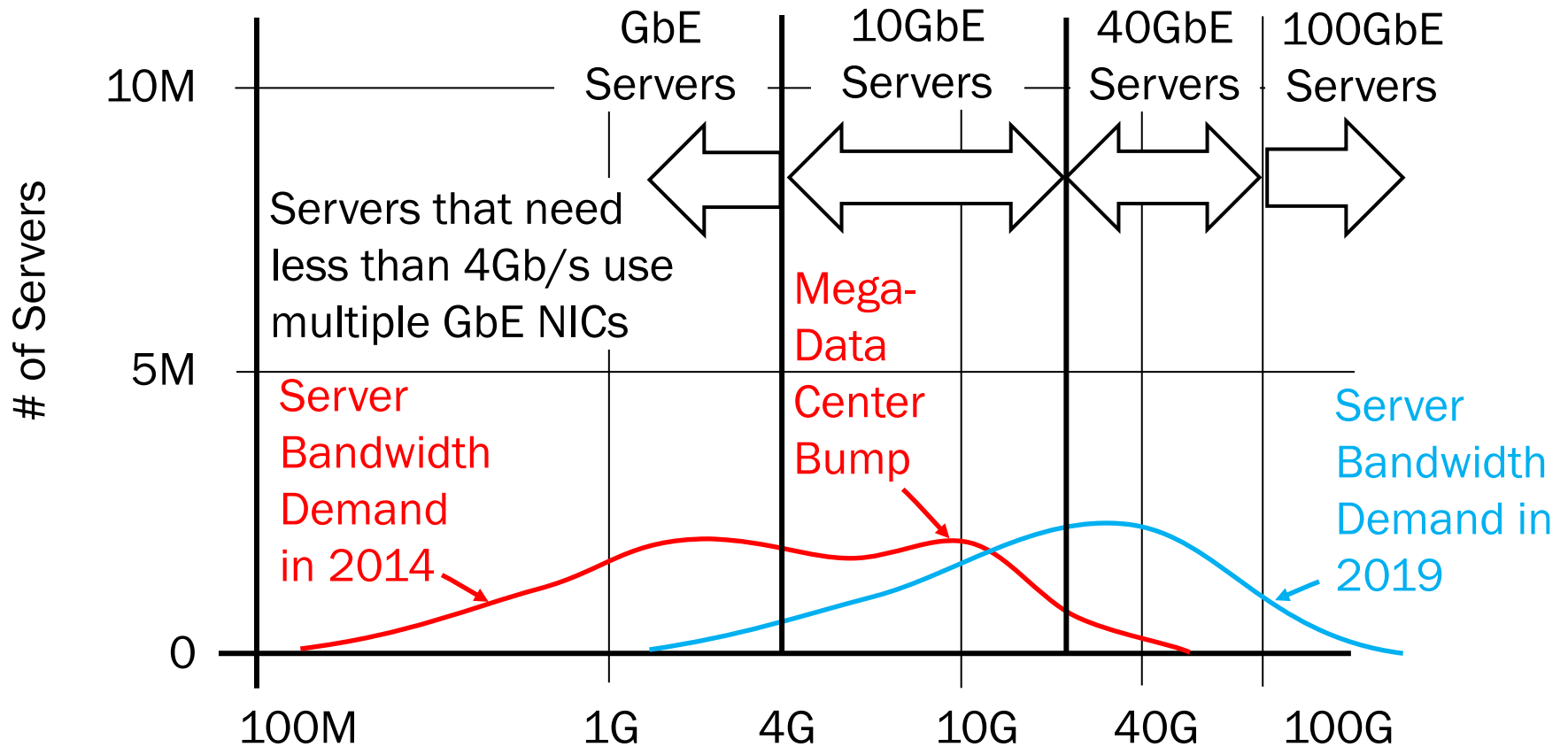
Cray X-ES – 46 Microservers



IBM Mainframe

Bandwidth Requirements of Servers

~10M servers ship every year, >95% are x86



Source: Multiple Sources and Estimates

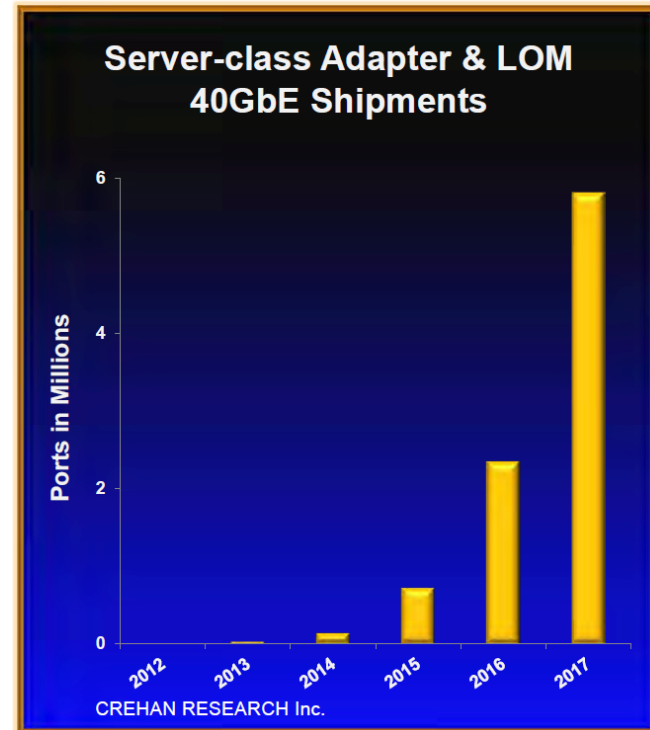
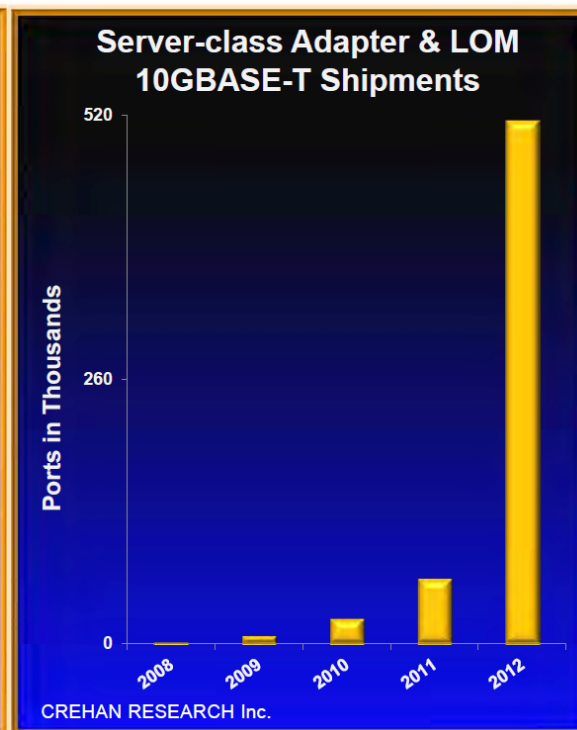
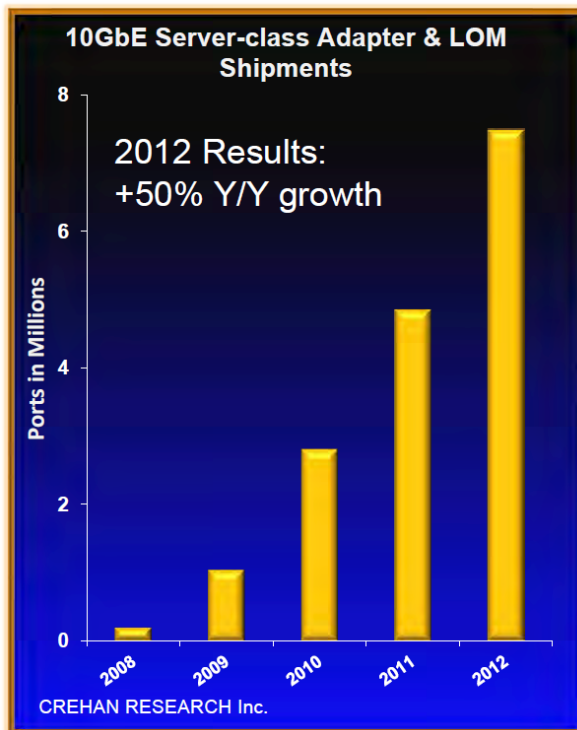
Bandwidth per Server (b/s)

10GbE and 40GbE Server Ports

Most 10GbE Servers connect with SFP+ or 10GBASE-KR

10GBASE-T will continue to ramp but not used in mega-data centers

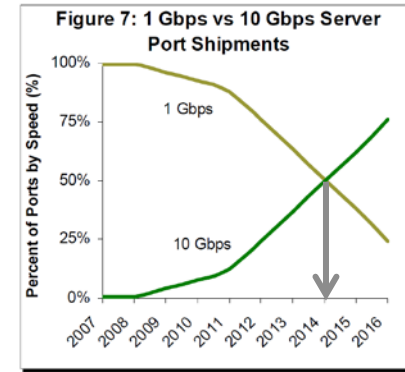
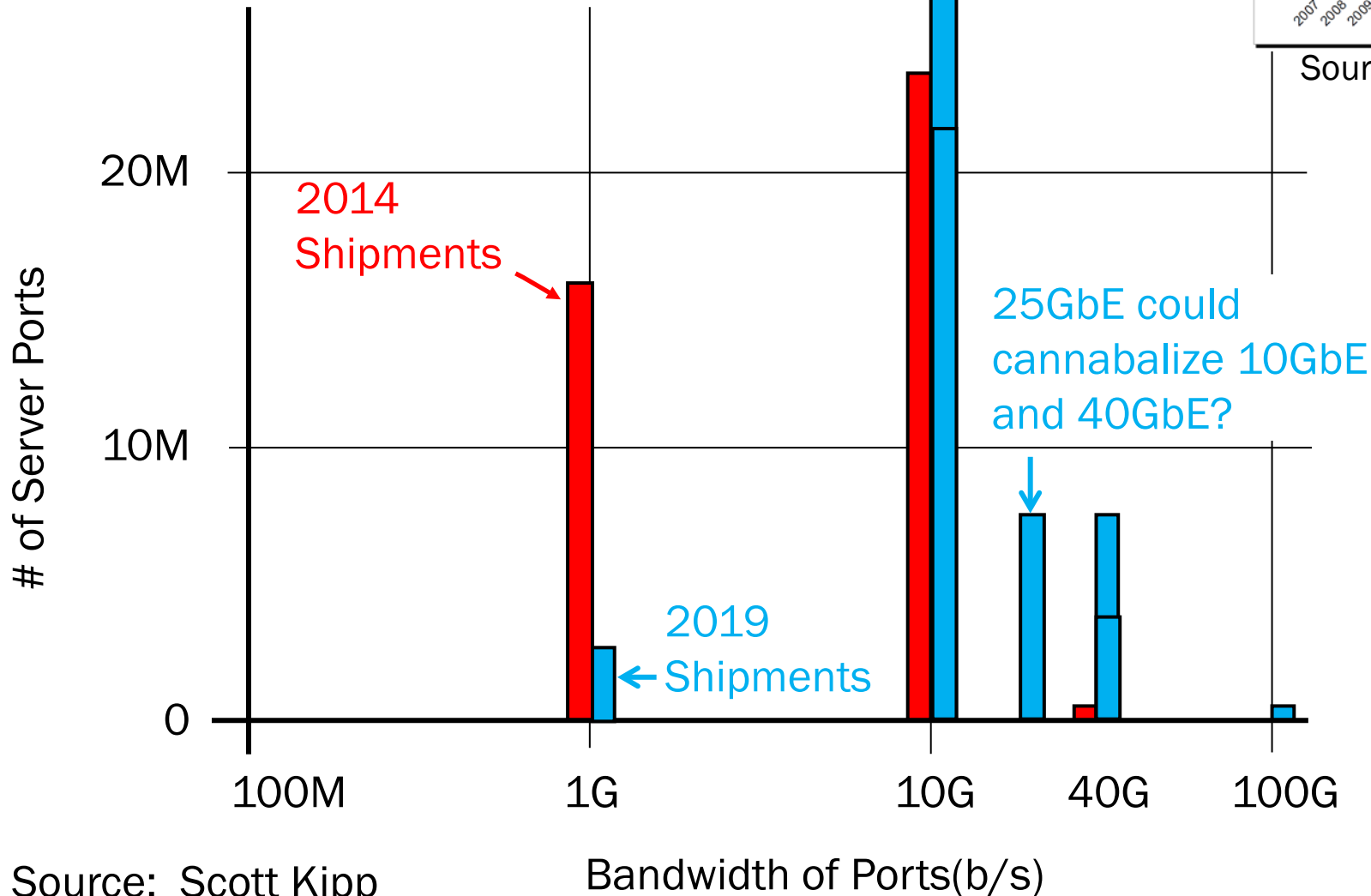
40GbE servers will connect with QSFP or 40GBASE-KR



Source: Crehan Research and <http://www.ieee802.org/3/400GSG/index.html>

Bandwidth Deployed in Servers

Each of the 10M Servers has more than one port



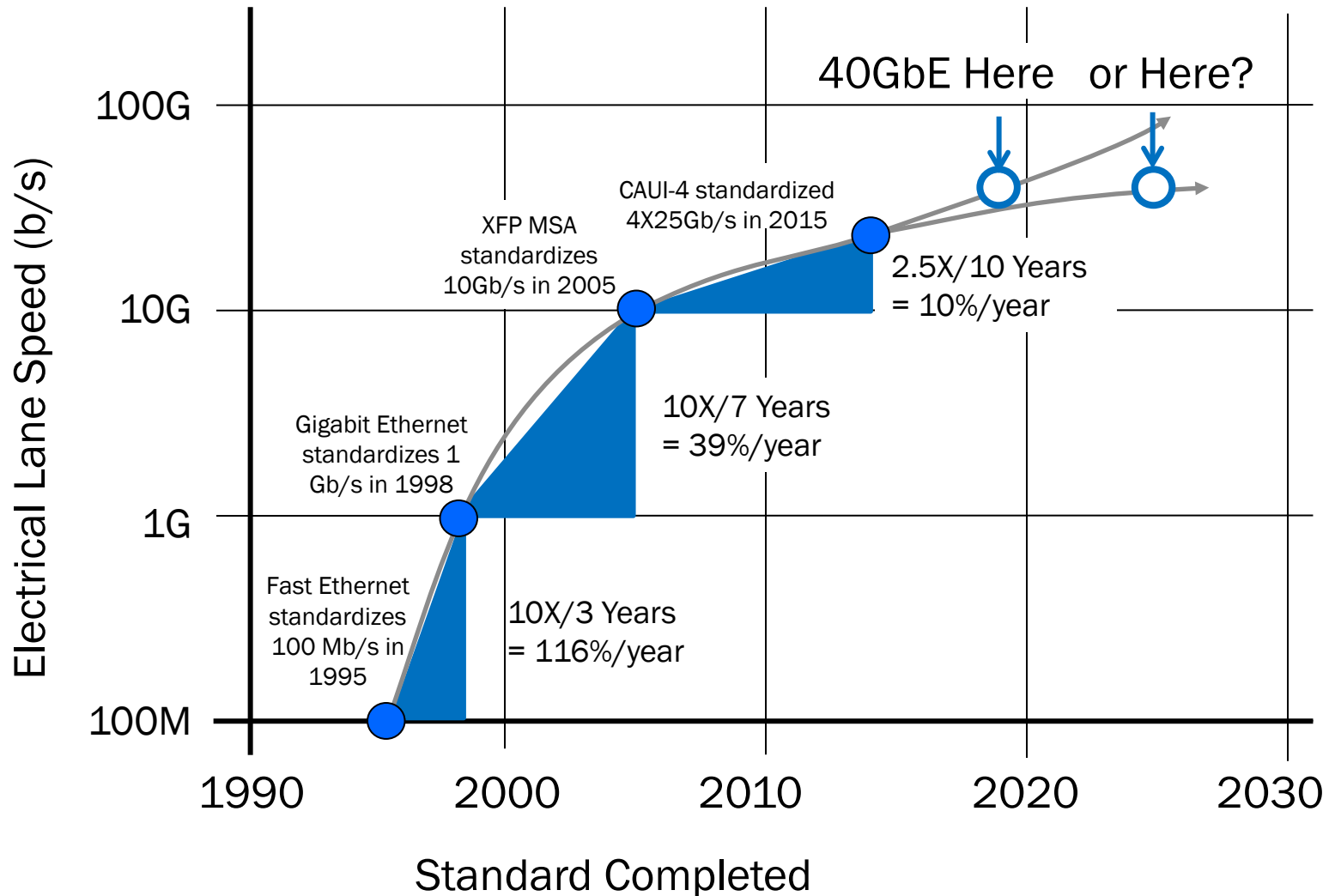
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Electrical Signaling Rates

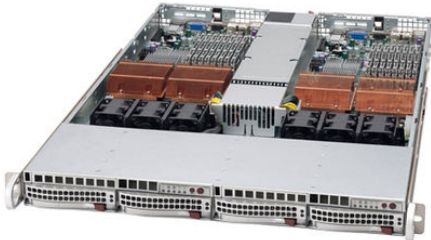
10 Years to go from 10G to 25G, will it take another 10 to go to 40G?



25GbE SFP+ or 40GbE QSFP+

- Typical Server - 10GbE now, 25GbE next year and 40GbE in ?

1U Server



2X nGbE SFP+



SFP+

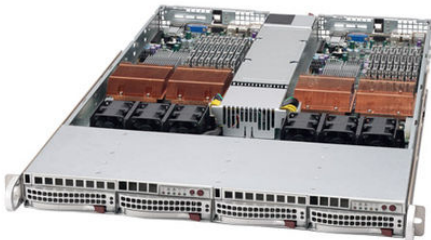


Duplex LC



- High Performance Server - 40GbE now and 100GbE in 2016?

1U Server



2X n0GbE QSFP+



QSFP+



Parallel MPO



WHICH PROTOCOL HAS SOLD MORE OPTICAL BANDWIDTH BETWEEN 2007-2013?

**OPTICAL BANDWIDTH =
NUMBER OF MODULES X
SPEED OF MODULE**

- a) Ethernet
- b) Infiniband
- c) Fibre Channel
- d) FTTx
- e) DWDM

Fibre Channel wins with 462 Petabits/second of Bandwidth!

Source: Lightcounting



Optical Bandwidth Sold 2007-2013

FC is >95% low cost VCSEL-based Solutions

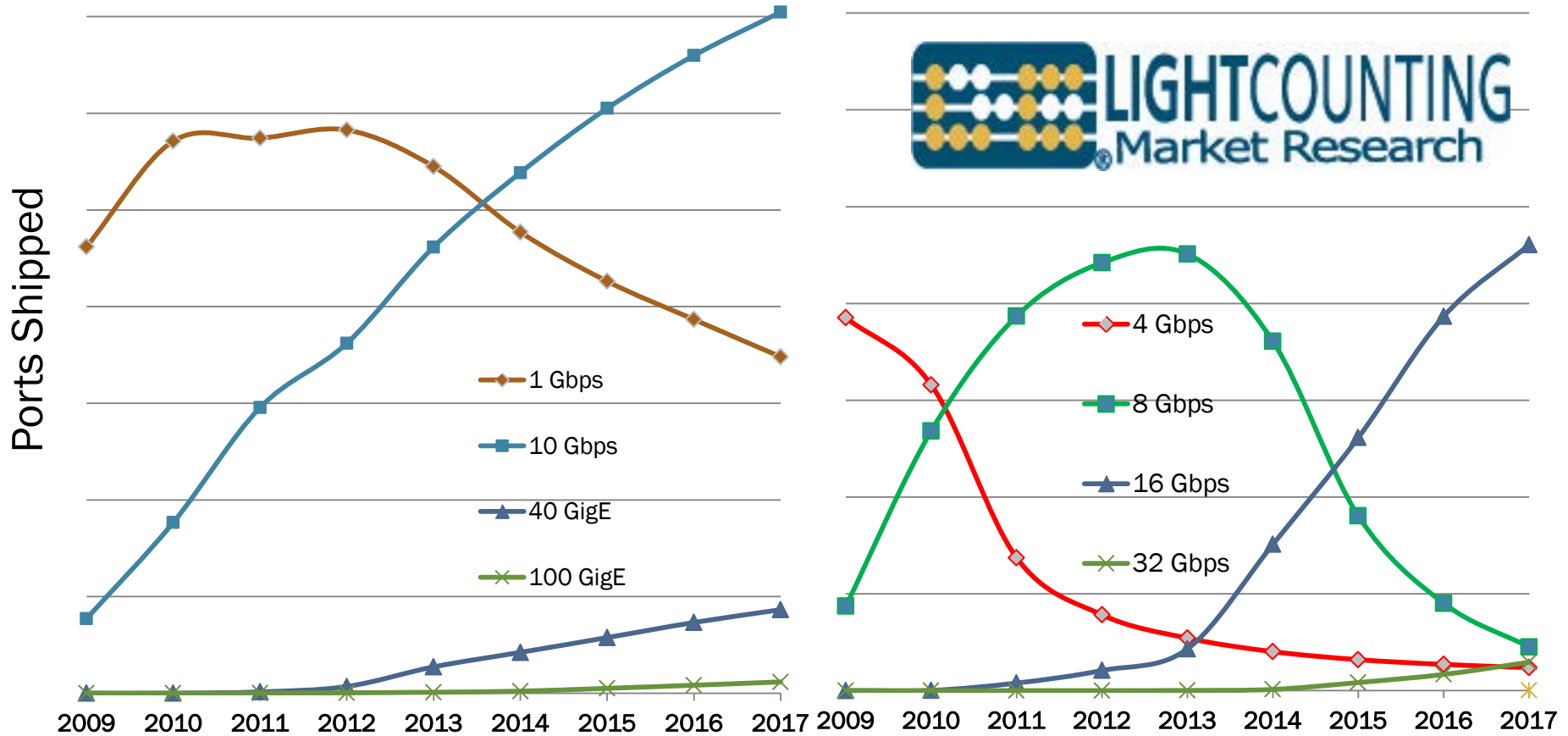
Ethernet	Modules Sold	Data Rate (Gb/s)	Bandwidth (Petabits/s)
GbE	74,027,190	1.25	92
10GbE	29,141,697	10.3125	300
40GbE	712,604	41.25	29
100GbE	32,652	103.125	3
Total	103M		425
Fibre Channel	Modules Sold	Data Rate (Gb/s)	Bandwidth (Petabits/s)
4GFC	37,492,028	4.25	159
8GFC	33,285,112	8.5	282
16GFC	1,441,255	14.025	20
Total	72M		462

Source: Multiple Lightcounting Forecasts



Data Center Optical Port Shipments

Ethernet on much longer cycles than Fibre Channel



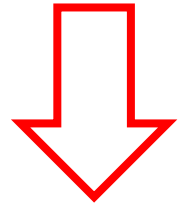
Source: Lightcounting July 2013 Forecast Database



32GFC Standard
Completed Last
Month

6 Generations of Fibre Channel

Doubling the Speed as Low Cost Technology Matures



Generation	1 st Gen	2 nd Gen	3rd Gen	4th Gen	5th Gen	6 th Gen
Electrical / Optical Module	1GFC / GBIC/ SFP	2GFC / SFP	4GFC / SFP	8GFC / SFP+	16GFC / SFP+	32GFC / SFP+
Electrical Speeds(Gbps)	1 lane at 1.0625	1 lane at 2.125	1 lane at 4.25	1 lane at 8.5	1 lane at 14.025	1 lane at 28.05
Encoding	8b/10b	8b/10b	8b/10b	8b/10b	64b/66b	64b/66b
Availability	1997	2001	2006	2008	2011	2016



GBIC



SFP / SFP+



Future Generations of Fibre Channel

Serial and Parallel

Generation	6 th Gen	7 th Gen	8 th Gen
Electrical / Optical Module	32GFC and 128GFC /SFP+ and QSFP28	64GFC and 256GFC /SFP+ and QSFP56	128GFC and 512GFC /SFP+ and QSFP112
Electrical Speeds (Gbps)	1 lane of 28.05 4 lanes at 28.05	1 lanes of 56.1 4 lanes at 56.1	1 lane of 112.2 4 lanes at 112.2



Ethernet Speeds

10X Increase Moving to 4X or 2.5X Increase

Name	Speed	Date Standard Ratified
10Mb/s Ethernet	10 Mb/s	1983
100Mb/s Ethernet	100Mb/s	1995
Gigabit Ethernet	1 Gb/s	1998
10 Gigabit Ethernet	10 Gb/s	2002
40 Gigabit Ethernet	40 Gb/s	2010
100 Gigabit Ethernet	100 Gb/s	2010
400 Gigabit Ethernet	400 Gb/s	2017 (est.)*

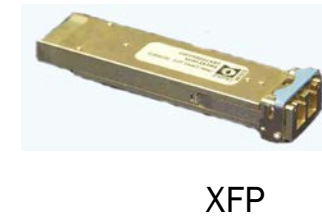
*Estimated on a 4-year standardization process that started with the CFI in March 2013



Generations of 10GbE

Fractured Market Until SFP+ Took Over

Generation	1 st Gen	2 nd Gen			3rd Gen	4 th Gen
Optical Module	300 Pin MSA	XENPAK	XPAK	X2	XFP (Retimed)	SFP+ (Unretimed)
Electrical Speeds (Gbps)	16 lanes at 0.644	4 lane at 3.125	4 lane at 3.125	4 lane at 3.125	1 lane at 10.3125	1 lane at 10.3125
Encoding	8b/10b	8b/10b	8b/10b	8b/10b	64b/66b	64b/66b
Availability	2001	2002	2002	2003	2005	2009



Current Generations of 10GbE

SFP+ and now QSFP+ and Embedded Optics

Generation	4 th Gen	5 th Gen	6 th Gen
Optical Module	SFP+ (Unretimed)	QSFP+	Embedded Optical Modules
Electrical Speeds (Gbps)	1 lane at 10.3125	4 lanes at 10.3125	12+ lanes at 10.3125
Availability	2007	2011	2013

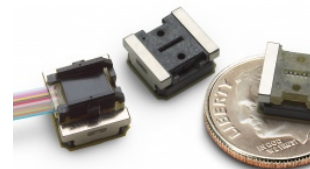
VCSEL /MMF Dominate
-Not Silicon Photonics/SMF through 2020



SFP+



QSFP+
40GbE too



EOMs (Embedded
Optical Modules)



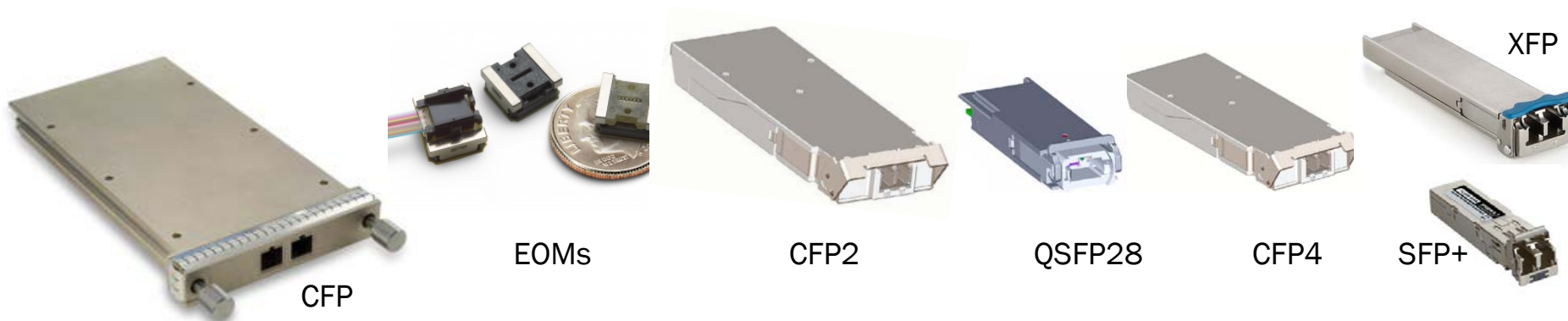
Generations of 100GbE

Early Stages of 100GbE Still

The Holy Grail of Ethernet –
100G Serial

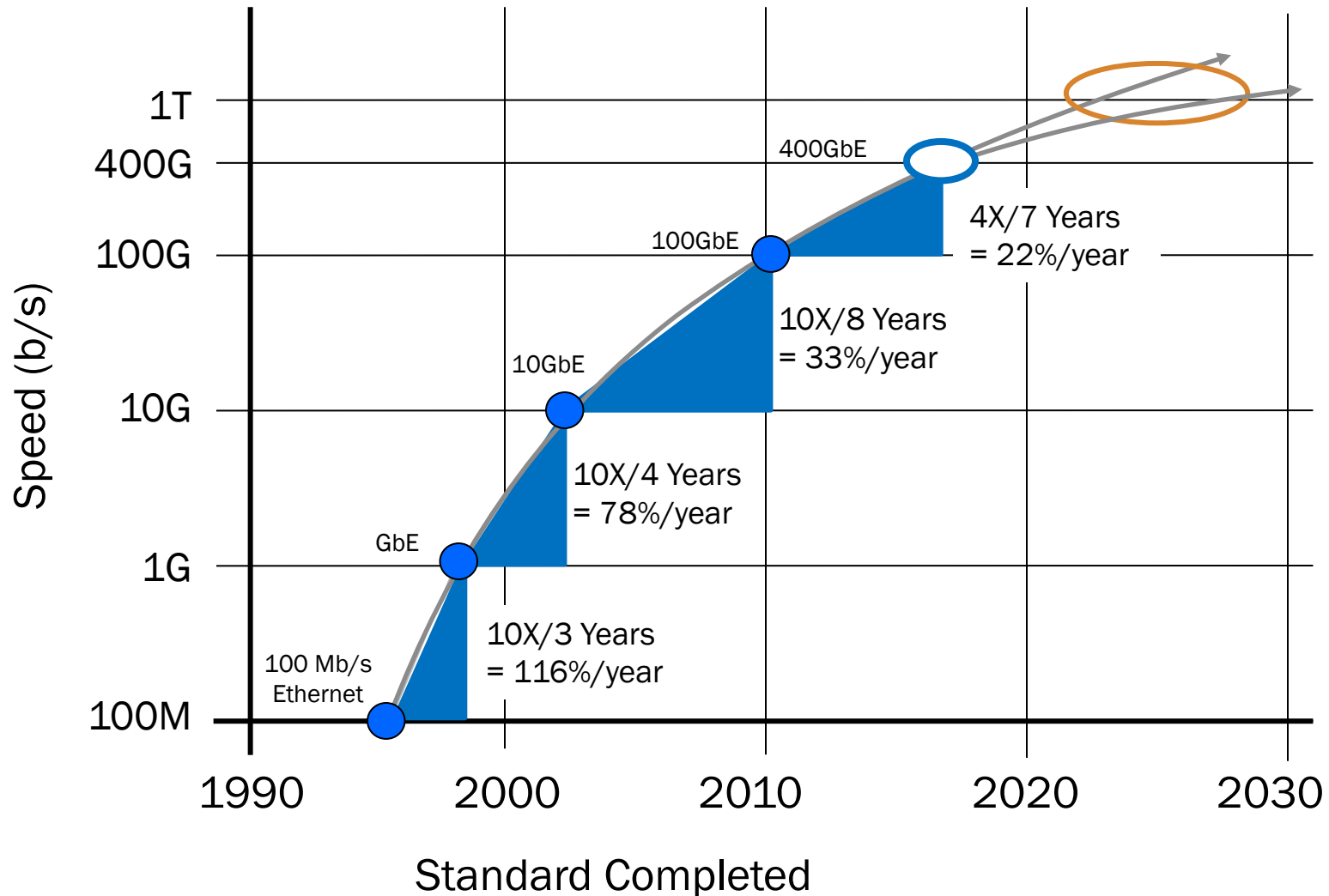


Generation	1 st Gen	1.5G	2 nd Gen		3 rd Gen
Optical Module	CFP, CXP, EOM	CFP2/CPAK	QSFP28	CFP4	XFP/SFP+
Electrical Interface (Gb/s)	CAUI-10 10 lanes of retimed 10.3G	CAUI-10 and CAUI-4 4 lane at 25.8G	CAUI-4 4 lane at 25.8	CAUI-4 4 lane at 25.8	CAUI-1 1 lane at 100
Standard Availability	2010	2013	2013	2014	2024?



When do we get Terabit Ethernet?

Terabit Ethernet?



Ethernet Switch Bandwidth

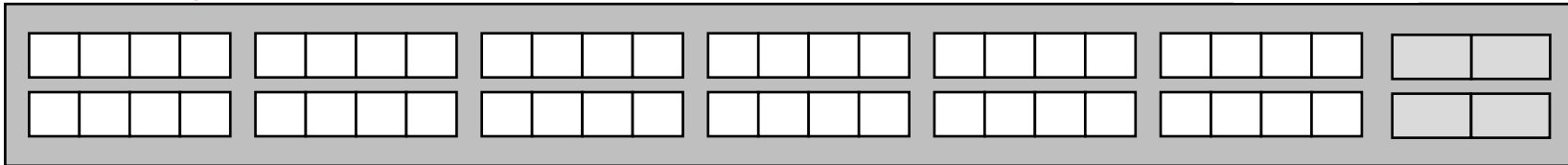
Exceeding 10 Tbps in 2020?

QSFP+ or
QSFP28

SFP+

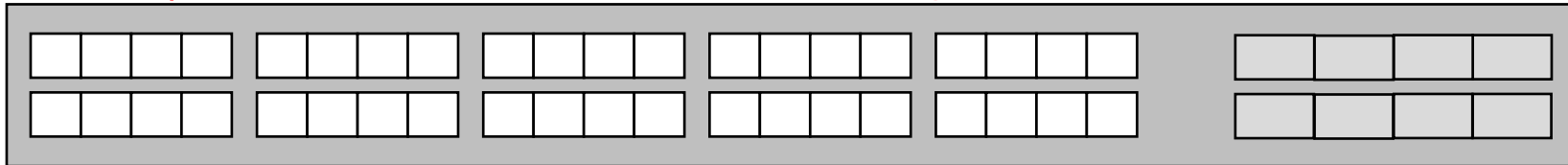


640 Gb/s = 48 10GbE SFP+ + 4 40GbE QSFP+



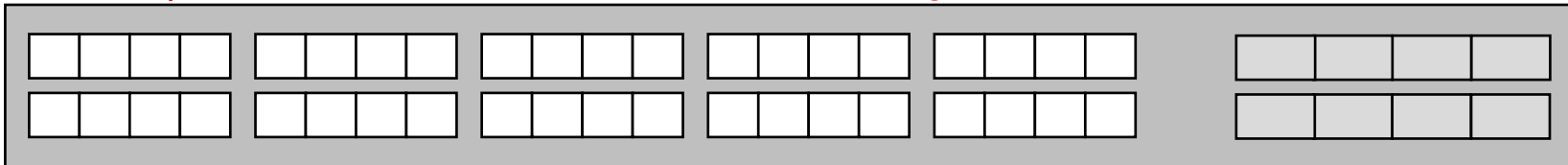
2010

1.8 Tb/s = 40 25GbE SFP+ + 8 100GbE QSFP+



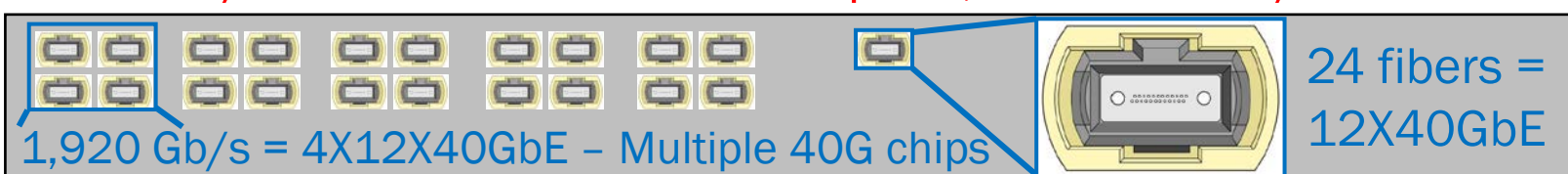
2016

2.4 Tb/s = 40 40GbE SFP+ + 8 100GbE QSFP+



2020?

10.08 Tb/s = 252 Embedded 40GbE ports, 126W at 6W/12 SW Ports



2020?

To 10 Tb/s 1U Switches

This analysis is for Switches, Routers are a Different Beast

- The best switch bandwidth increases are within an ASIC and combine increasing:
 - Switch ASIC Port count - 64 =>128 => 256?
 - Port Speed - 10G => 25/28G => 40G => 50/56G →100G?
 - >10Tb/s 1U switches possible this decade
- Embedded optics enable significant bandwidth port density increases to overcome faceplate density challenges
- Pluggable optics enable significant flexibility in deployments, but are facing limitations
- Combinations of pluggable and embedded optics can be effective in meeting all data center needs



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