



Towards Energy Efficient Wireline Networks, An Update From GreenTouch

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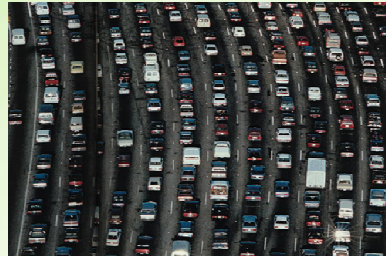
Outline

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Why Green Networks matter



Global aviation industry




50 million cars



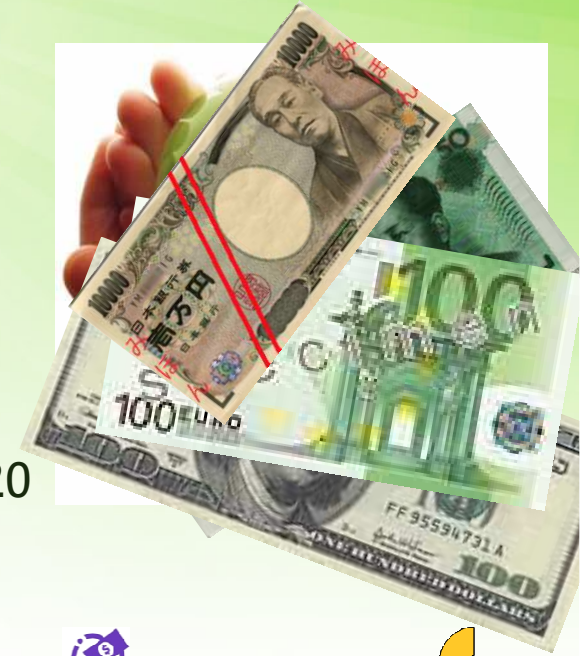
**Global ICT Emissions:
2.3%, Growing at 4% YoY**


GeSI "SMARTer 2020: The Role of ICT in Driving a Sustainable Future", 2012


INTERNET 
= 5th
HIGHEST COUNTRY
If the internet was a country: energy consumption is higher than Russia and a little less than Japan

Why “Green” matters too

- For operators: OPEX and CAPEX savings
 - Direct cost of energy is increasing in P&L
 - Also secondary power consumption ~2x
 - >8x more traffic fixed BB in mature markets by 2020
 - Density - floor space
 - Power supply to remote nodes
 - Battery back-up
- For Governments:
 - Build power plants in fast growing economies
 - Exit of nuclear power programs
 - Cost impact of environment and climate change
 - => tax incentives and regulation



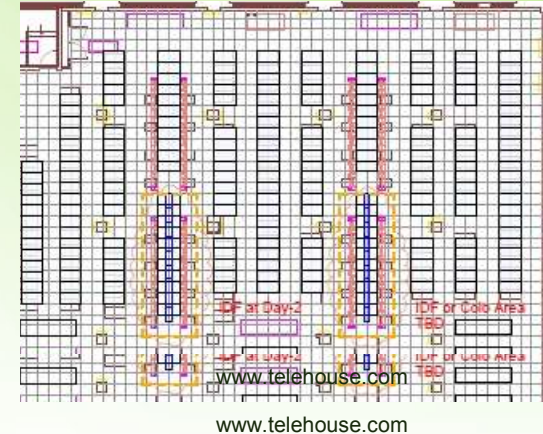
NETWORK 
~75%
ENERGY BILL
70 to 80% overall energy bill of an operator
> RAN: +70% of network electricity cost

ENERGY BILL 
7-20%
OPERATORS OPEX
From 7% in mature countries
to +20% in emerging countries

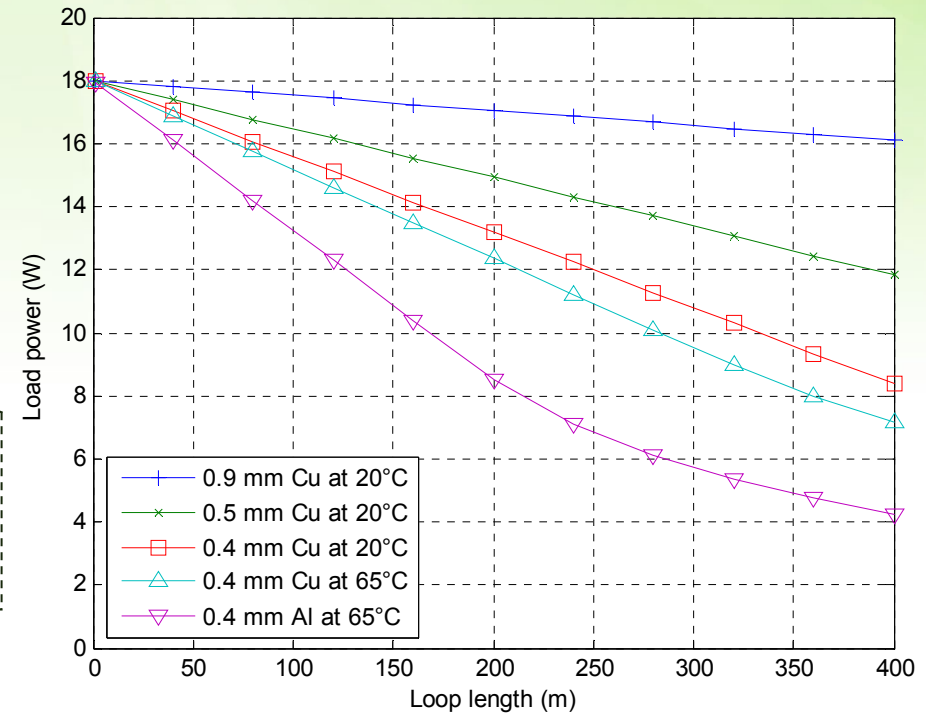
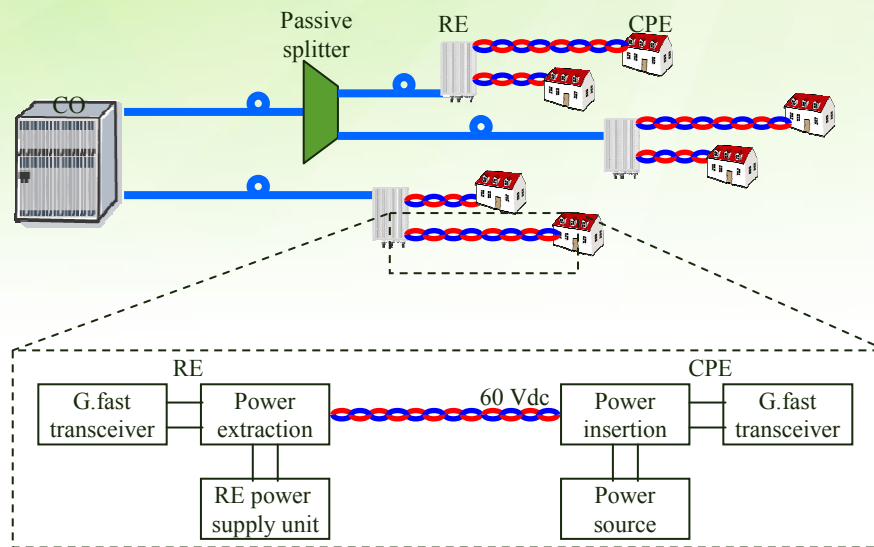


Lower Power in Central Offices Towards Higher Density and Less Floor Space

- Cooling capabilities of a CO
 - Max. 1075 W/m²
 - Max. 1950 W/rack
 - => When power increases, bays or shelves have to be left empty to meet requirement
- Thermal limit for density per line card
 - E.g. Typically 100 W/line card
 - => Only max. 2 ports of NG-PON2 supported
- Cost for cooling
 - Natural convection < Forced air fans < Liquid cooling



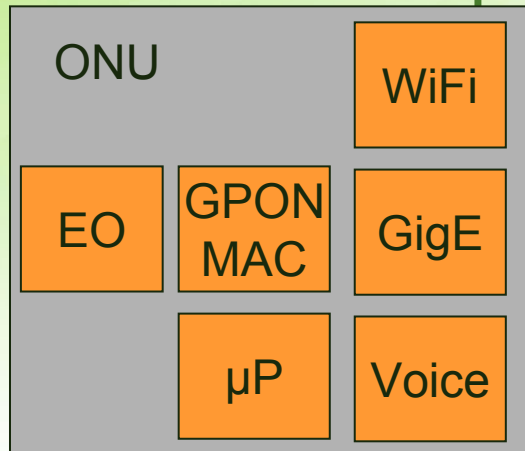
Lower power in remote nodes enabling alternative power supply



Courtesy: Jochen Maes, Bell Labs

E.g. reverse powering via DSL line
6 W over 300 m

Low power ONU ⇒ new power back-up approaches

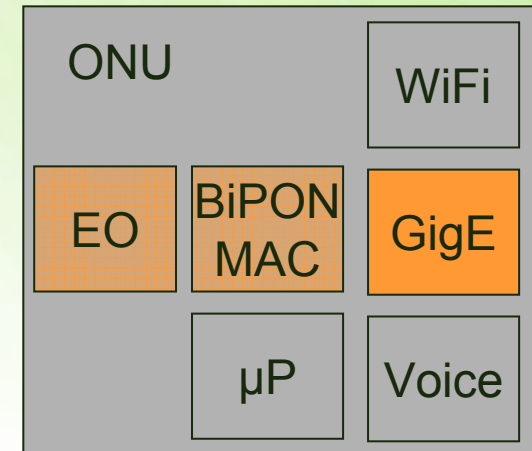


10 W
~8 h on lead-acid battery



Ref: forums.verizon.com

Power shedding
Cyclic sleep mode
Bi-PON (long term)
New efficient ASIC



Standby 0.1 W - Active data (or voice): 1 W
~8 h active on 4 rechargeable AA cells
~3 d standby on 4 rechargeable AA cells



Ref: wikipedia.org



Or...power from laptop via USB



To ONU



GREENTOUCH™ (www.greentouch.org)

- **Global research consortium** representing industry, government and academic organizations
- Launched in May 2010
- Focus on **sustainability** and growth
- **Holistic** and **ambitious**: Goal of 1000x
- **53 member organizations**
- **300+ leading scientists**
- Recognized by the **World Economic Forum** as an industry-led best practice toward sustainability
- Moving from fundamental research into the **pre-competitive area** through standardization
- Leading **Green ICT**: cooperation with other NGOs such as GeSI, ITU-T, GreenGrid, Carbon Trust, ITRS

It takes an ecosystem



DELIVER ARCHITECTURE, SPECIFICATIONS AND SOLUTIONS AND
DEMONSTRATE KEY TECHNOLOGIES TO INCREASE NETWORK ENERGY
EFFICIENCY BY A FACTOR 1000 COMPARED TO 2010

GreenTouch Status: Where Are We?

16 RESEARCH PROGRAMS and PROJECTS

- Wireless and mobile communications
- Wireline access
- Core networks and optical transmission
- Services, applications and trends

NEW APPROACHES BEING TAKEN

- Devices and low power electronics / photonics
- Architectures, algorithms and protocols
- “Power-follows-load” intelligent management
- Service and energy optimized networks

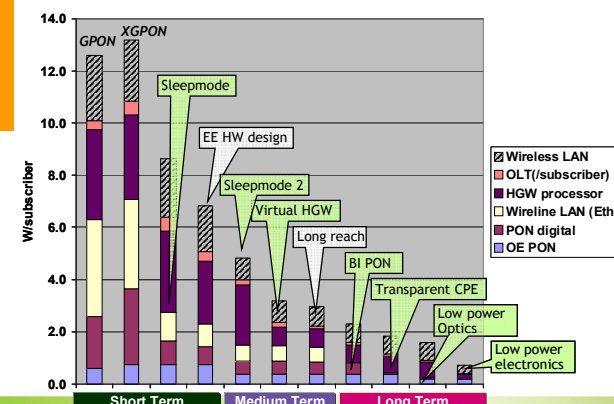


TWO MAJOR PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS

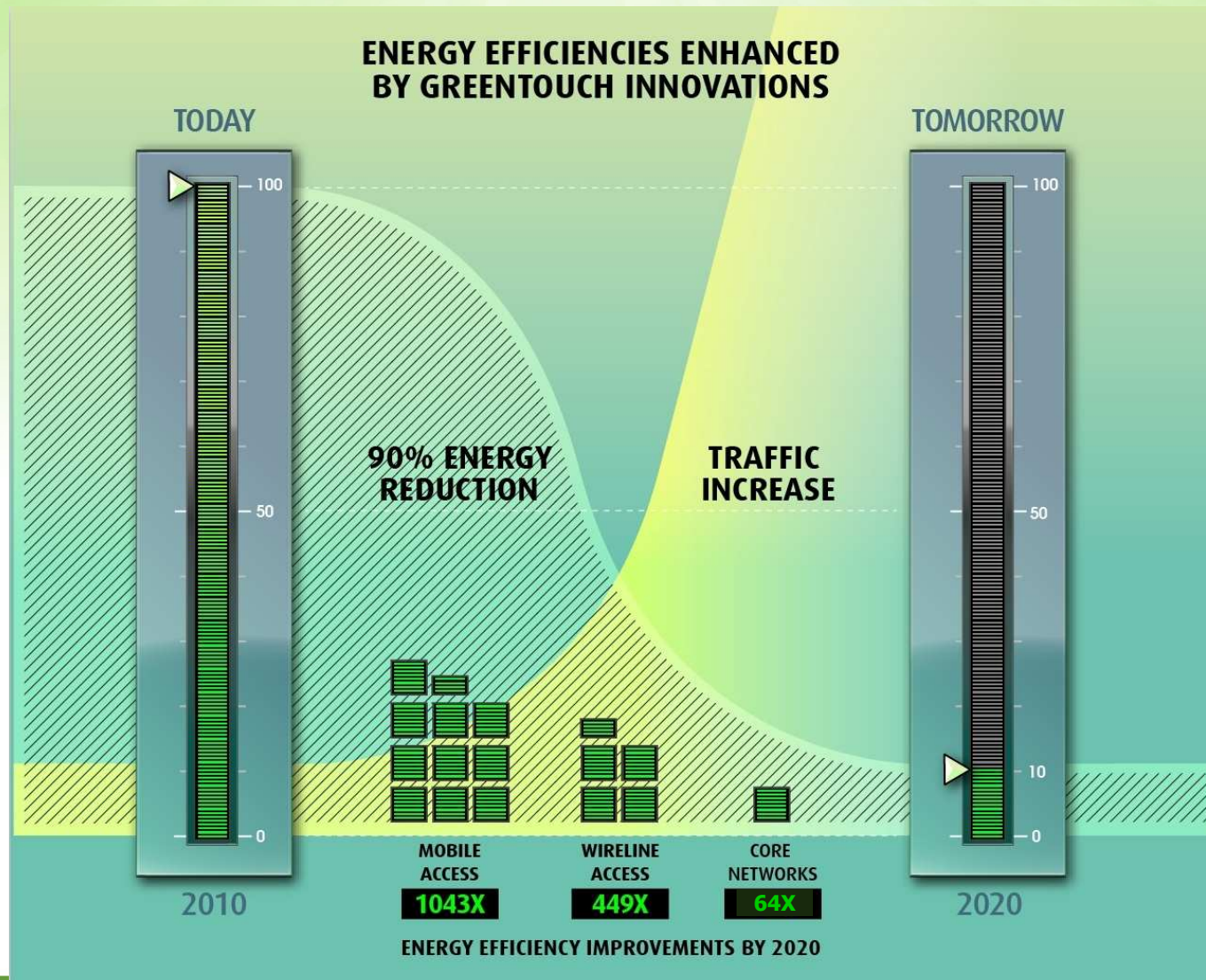
- Wireless
- Fiber-to-the-home

COMMON REFERENCE ARCHITECTURE & ROADMAP

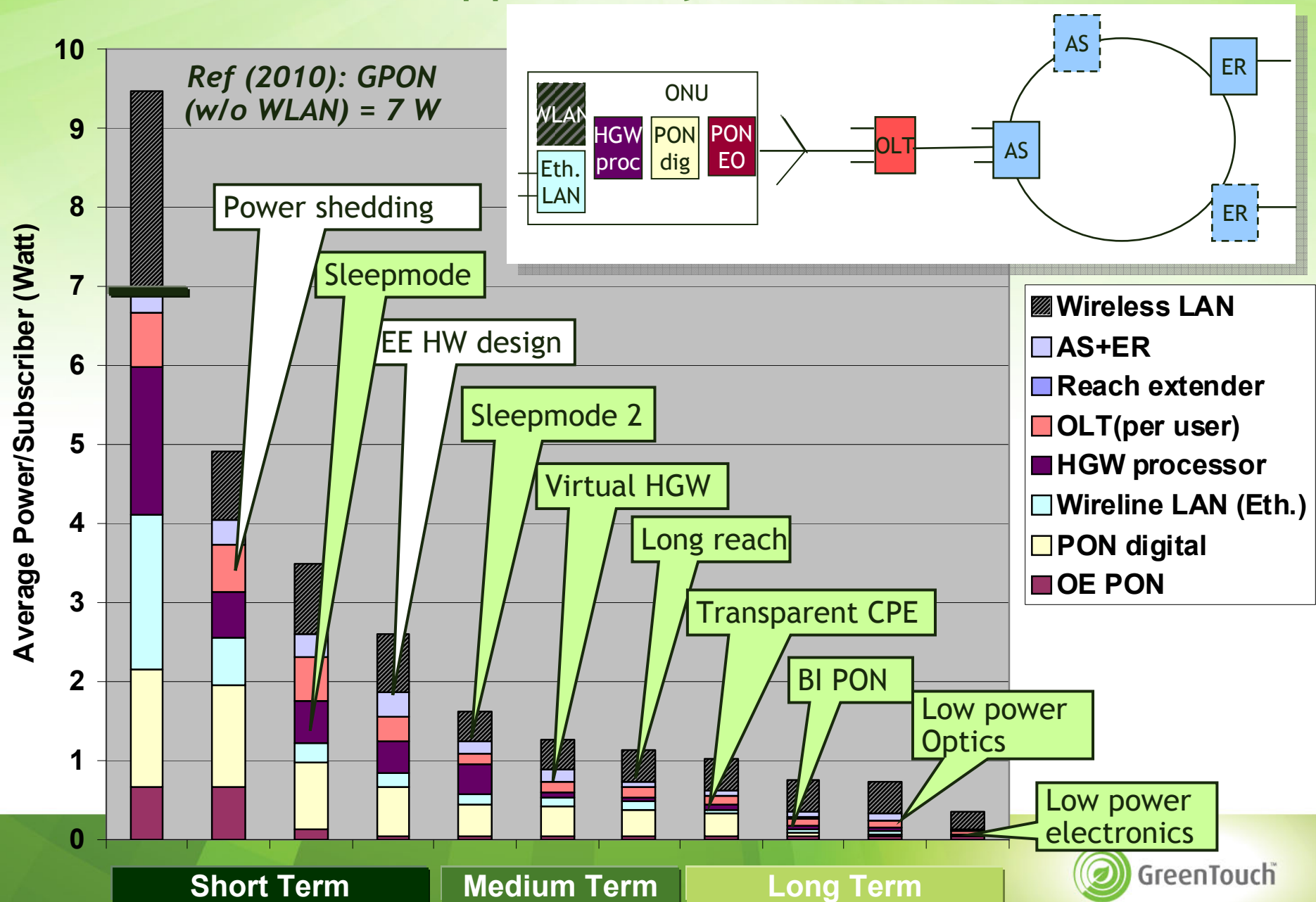
- Establish and define common reference architecture and roadmap with strategic research directions



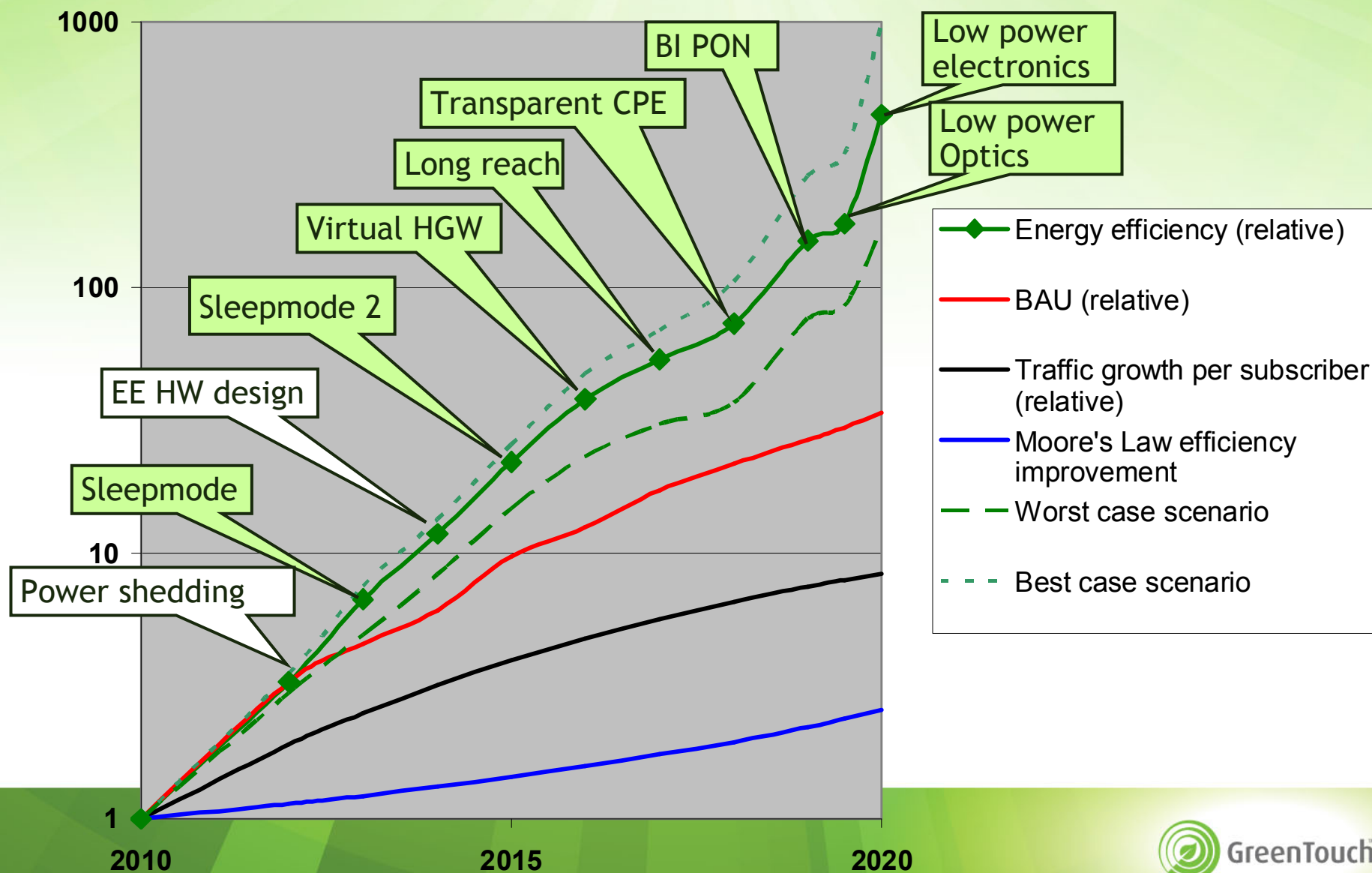
Green Meter (Press release May 13, 2013)



Green Meter: Opportunity Identified for Access

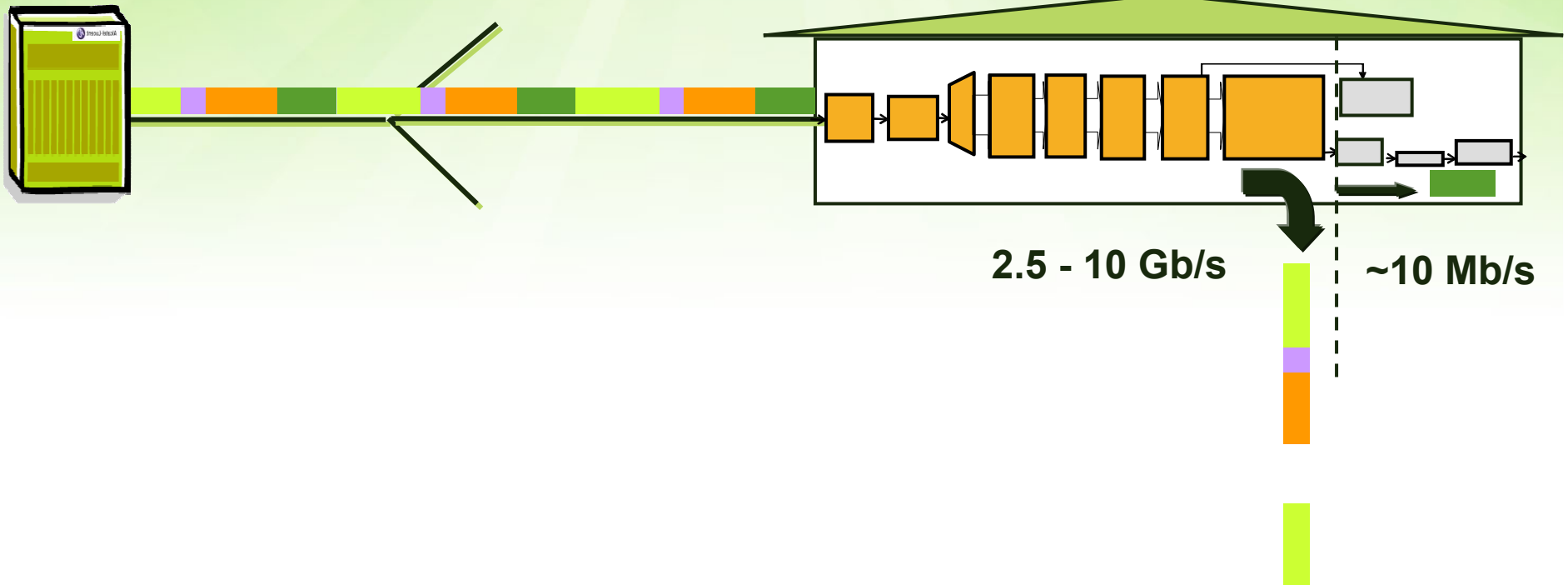


Efficiency improvements



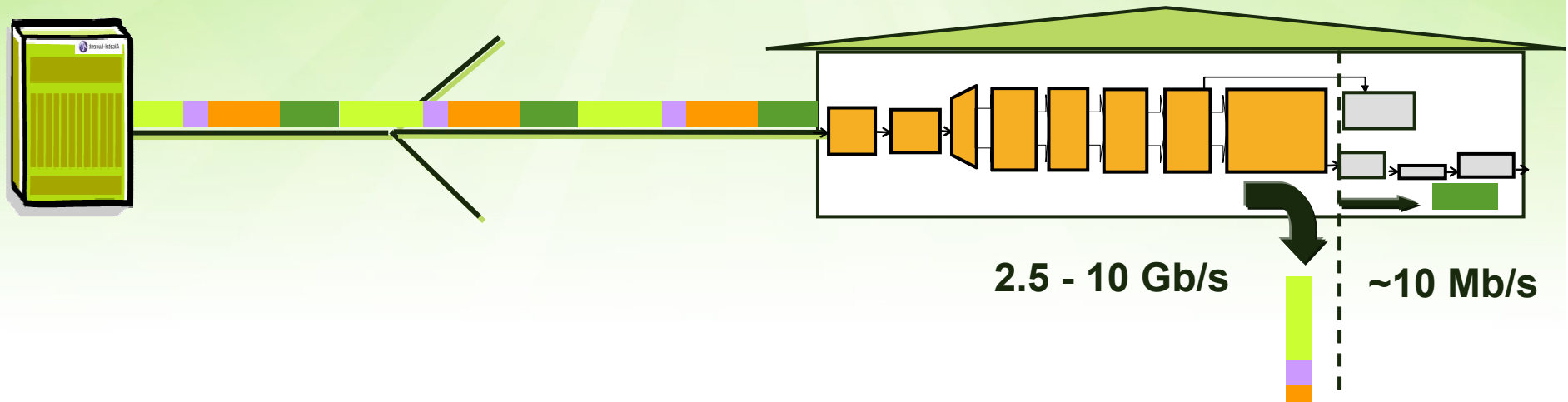
Energy efficient protocol

Current protocol

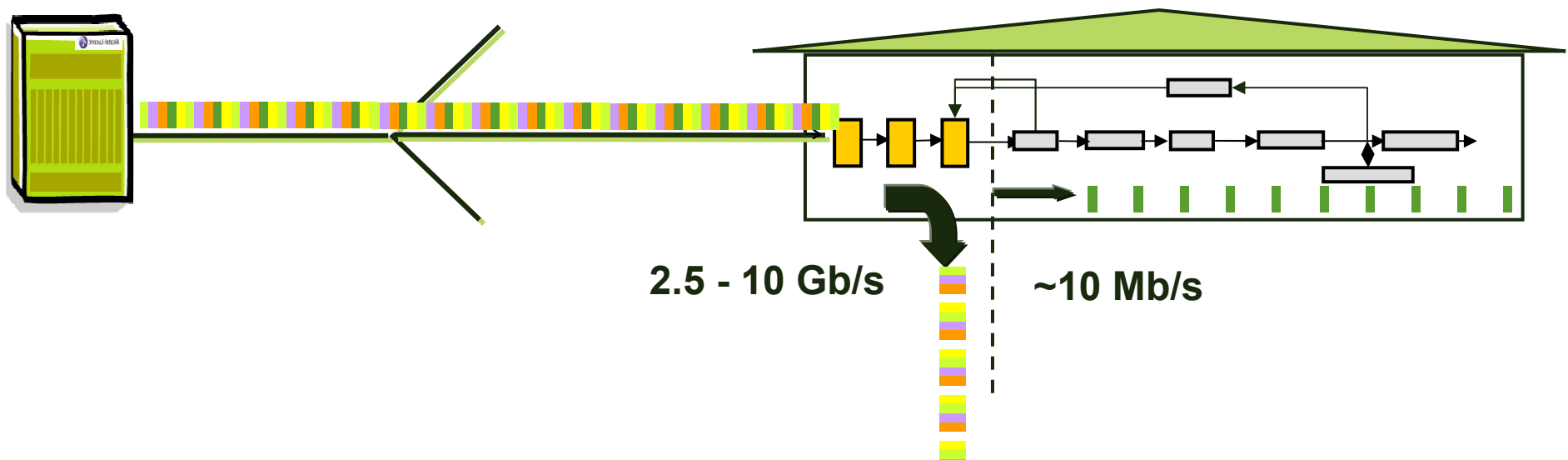


New energy efficient protocol

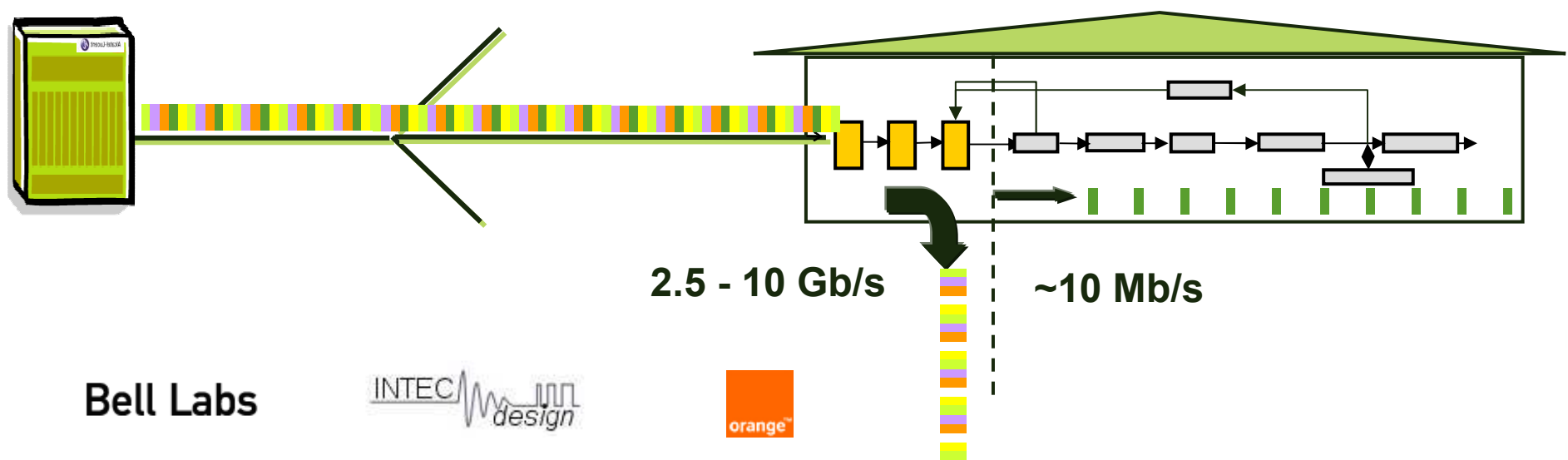
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Bit-interleaving **Bi-PON**: order reduction in protocol processing

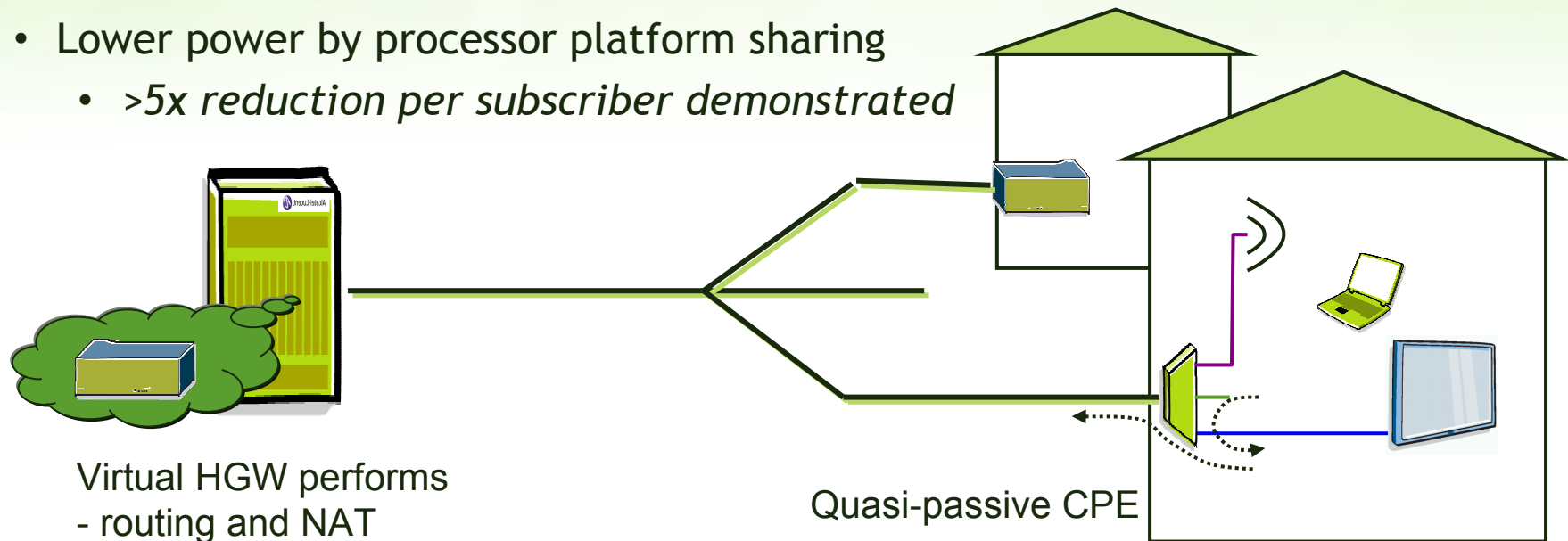


Bi-PON Demo: > 10x efficiency improvement



Virtual Home Gateway / Quasi-passive CPE

- Transparent CPE providing connectivity in-house and to network
 - Functions of current CPE moved to virtual HGW in network
 - Low power connectivity (“quasi-passive”) or transparent (“passive”) CPE
- Savings:
 - Cut-through of high bitrate services to terminal: LAN interfaces on CPE
 - Lower power by processor platform sharing
 - *>5x reduction per subscriber demonstrated*

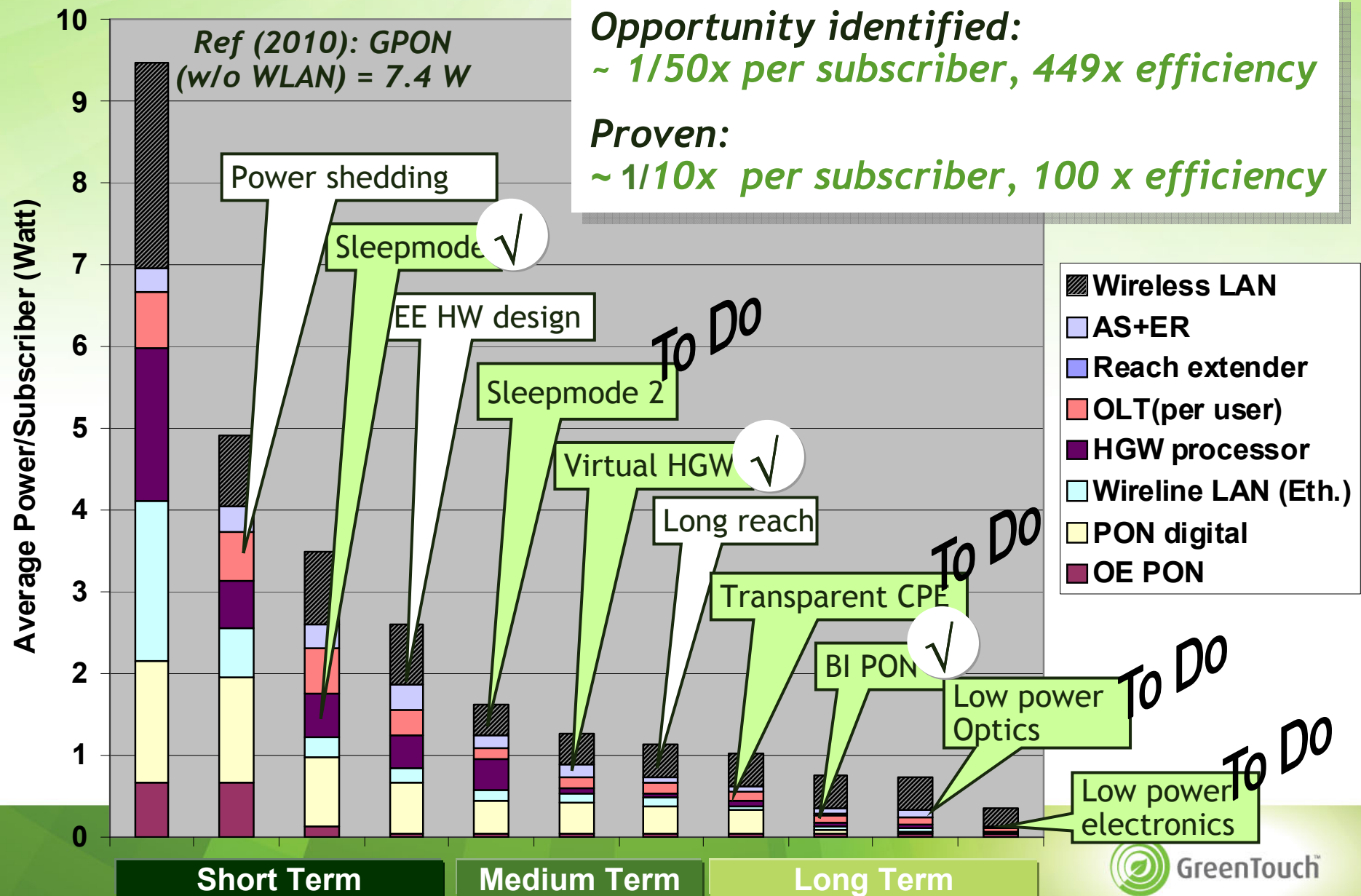


Virtual HGW performs

- routing and NAT
- firewalling
- OAM management

Quasi-passive CPE

Green Meter: Proven so far for Access



Summary

- Green networks are not only environmental, but also economical
- GreenTouch researches disruptive solutions targeted at 1000x efficiency improvement
- Wireline optical access
 - 50x average power per subscriber - 449x efficiency per bit

