

TAXONOMY OF PON

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State of the Optical Technology



- IEEE 802.3 members last evaluated the maturity of optical technology for FTTx in 2006 while were preparing for 10G-EPON CFI.
 - Re-evaluate the state of technology and recent developments
 - Decide if the WDM technology has matured enough to justify multiple wavelengths (CWDM, DWDM), tunable transceivers, etc.
- Architectural choices
 - Multiple or single wavelength per direction per PON?
 - Multiple or single wavelength per direction per ONU?
 - Shared or dedicated channel(s) per ONU?
 - If shared, centrally-scheduled or self-arbitrated?
 - On/Off (NRZ) or multi-level modulation?
 - Focus on PON only or PON and P2P?

PON Types and Names



PHY channels per PON per direction {one, many}	PHY channels per ONU per direction {one, many}	PHY channel connectivity type {P2P, P2MP, mix}	Type (name) of network*
one	one	P2P	→ Point-to-point link
		P2MP	→ EPON, 10G-EPON, GPON, XG-PON
	one	P2P	→ WDM-PON1
		P2MP	→ TWDM-PON1
many		P2P	→ WDM-PONn
	many	P2MP	→ TWDM-PONn (AKA hybrid PON)
		mix	→ ?

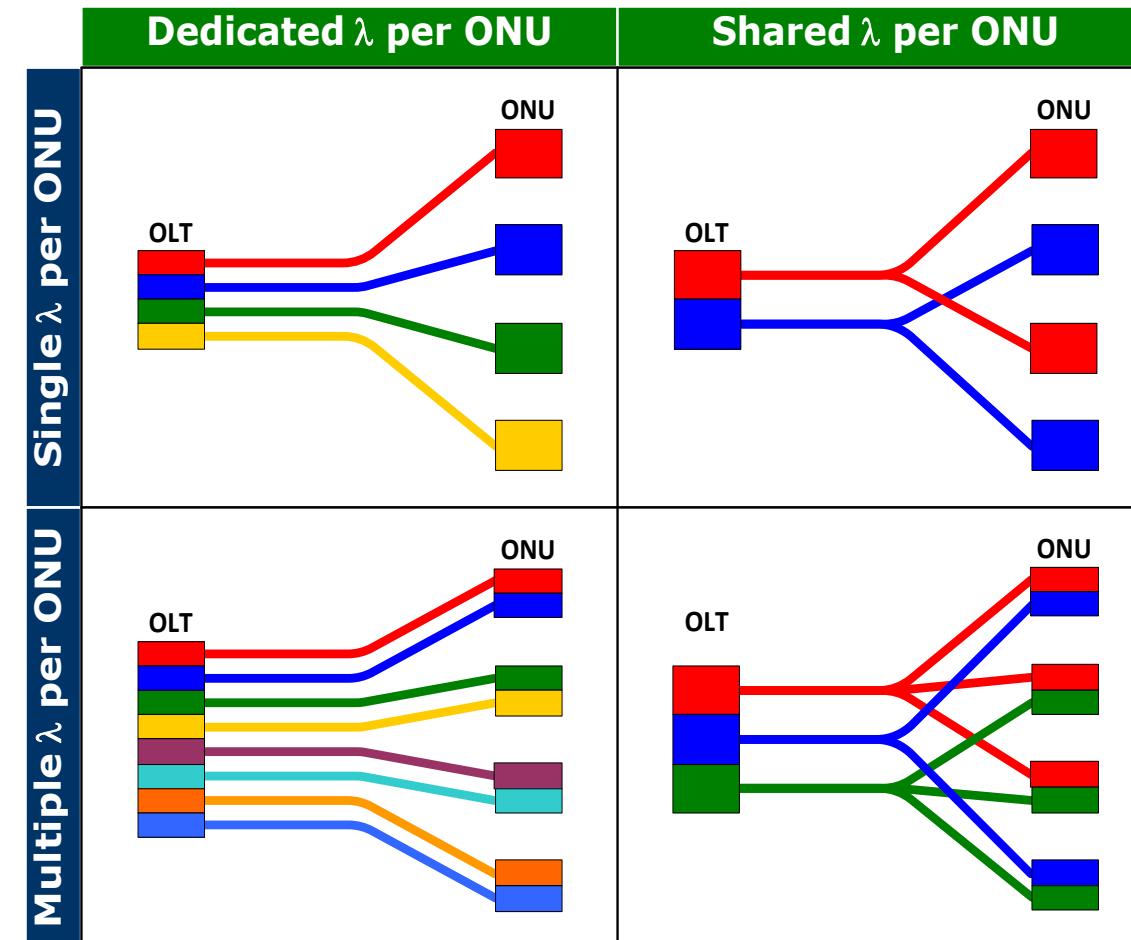
* These names are used when a PHY channel represents a wavelength.
Other PHY channels are possible, e.g., OFDM channel, CDM channel.

Multi-Wavelength Solutions



- WDM is a technology for the physical layer
- L2 protocols are only concerned with whether the logical connections between CO and users are **point-to-point or point-to-multipoint**.

- Dedicated wavelength(s) per ONU (WDM-PON)
 - Logical P2P
 - No scheduling
 - Channel transparency
 - Most of the resources are idle most of the time
 - **Ethernet is the best suited technology here (lowest cost for the performance)**
 - (10Gbps, 40Gbps, or 100Gbps)

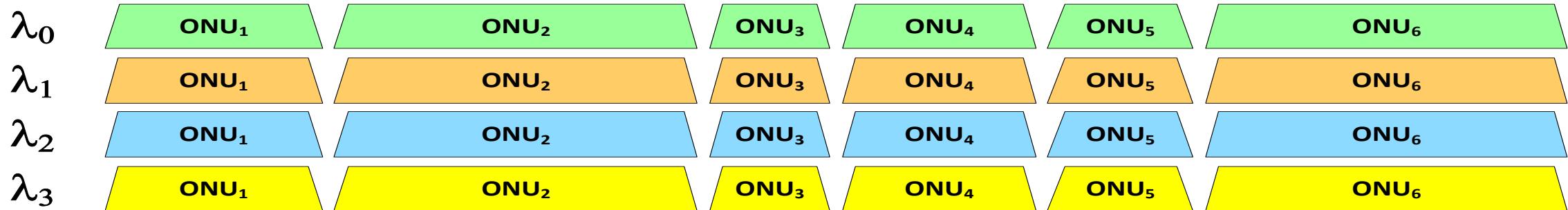


- Shared wavelength(s) per ONU (hybrid-PON)
 - Logical P2MP
 - Lower cost
 - More efficient resource allocation
 - Fewer wavelengths achieve equal performance to P2P
 - Scheduling is required
 - **EPON or GPON protocols can be used.**

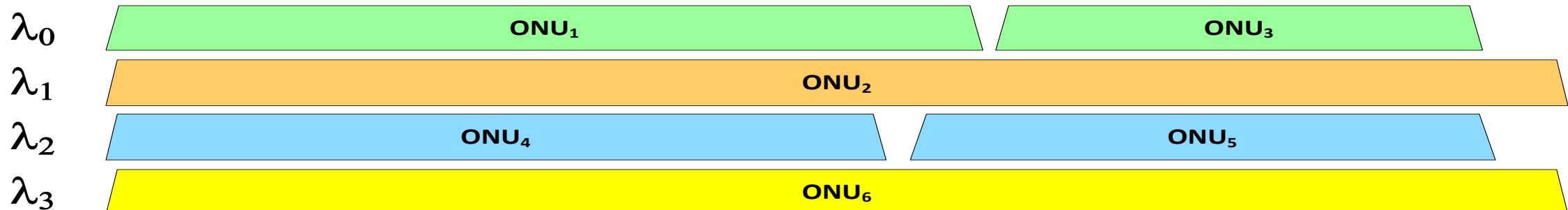
Multi-Wavelength Scheduling Options

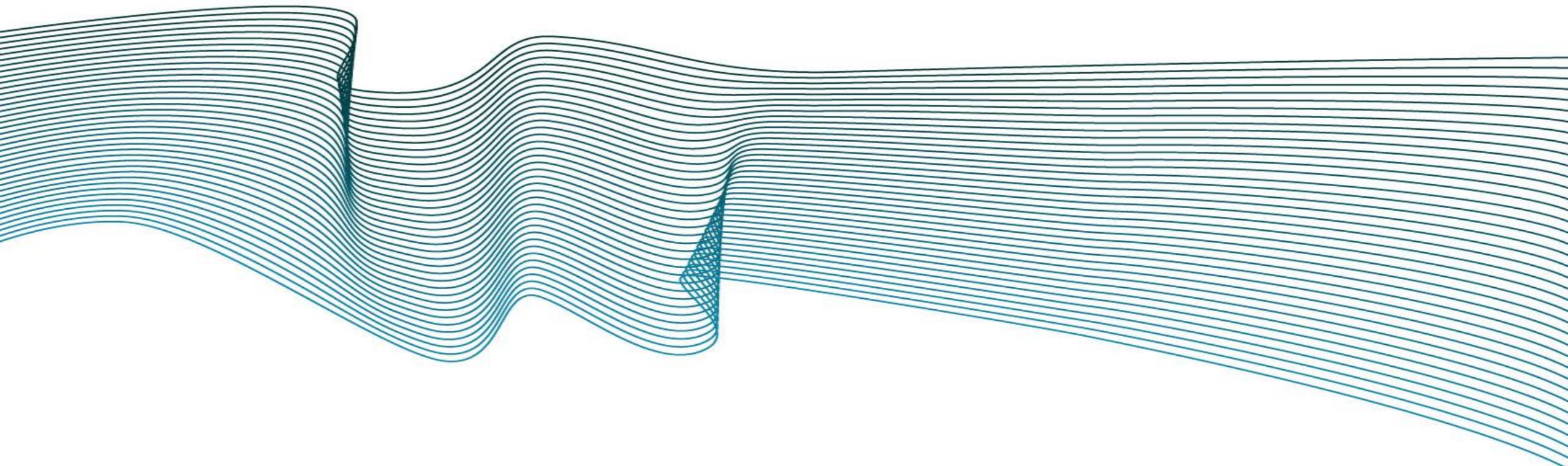


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COEXISTENCE

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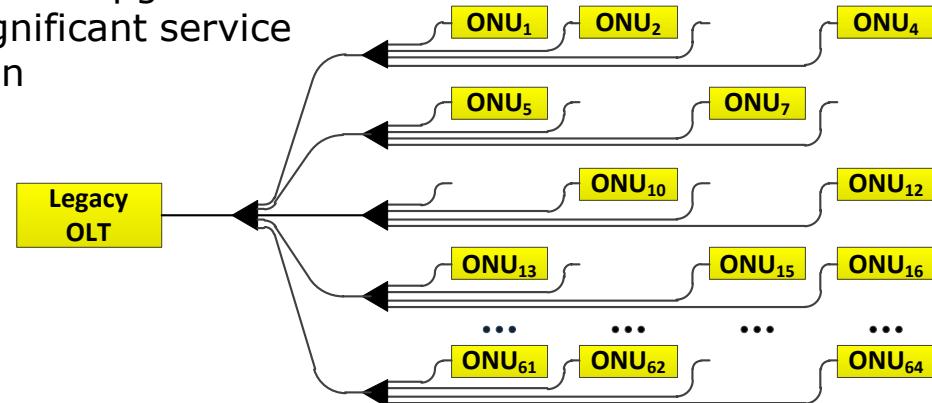
- **Coexistence with previous generation of EPON is a key ingredient of EPON's success**
- **Gradual and seamless upgrade is a mandatory requirement**
 - Operators should be able to upgrade one user at a time without interrupting the rest of the users.
- **Maintaining coexistence of three generations is difficult.**
 - Will operators need to support three generations of ONUs on the same PON?

Gradual and seamless upgrade



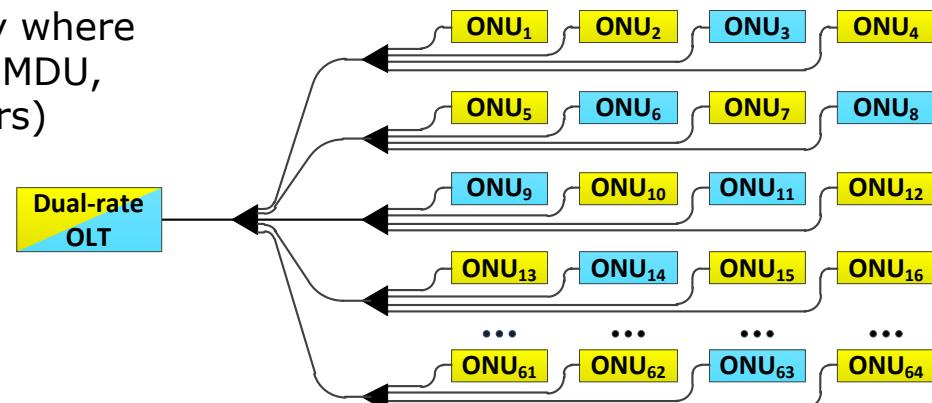
Current EPON

- Allows gradual upgrade without significant service interruption



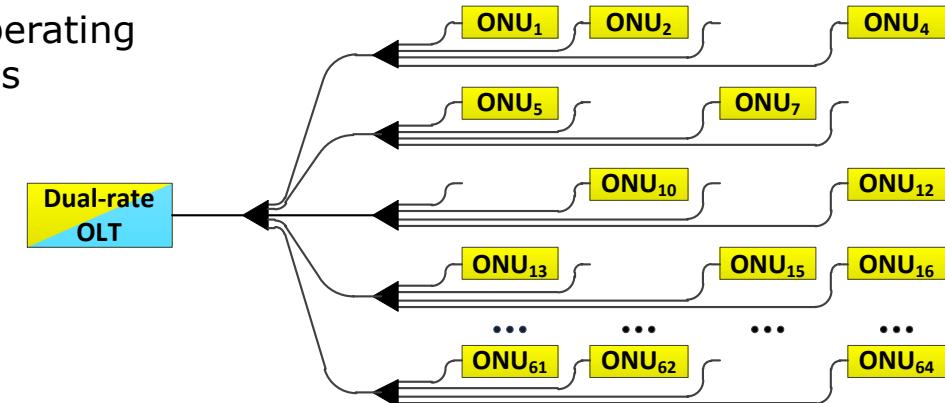
2. Higher-speed ONUs are added

- Does not affect deployed ONUs
- 10G ONUs are added only where required (MDU, power users)



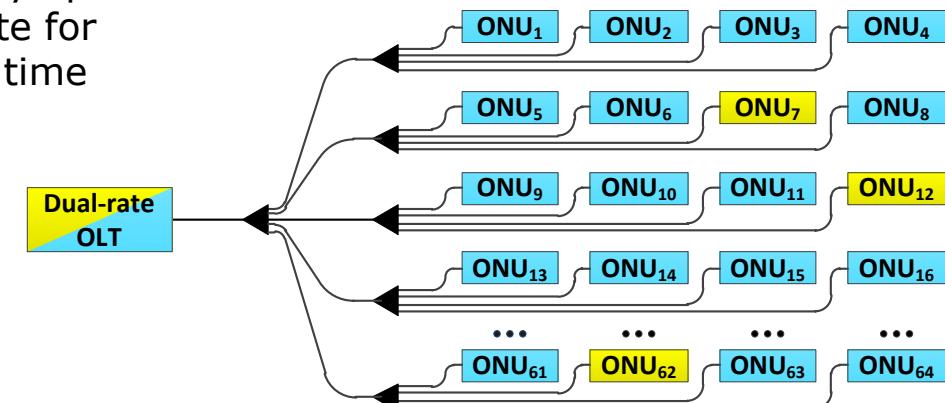
1. OLT is upgraded

- Existing ONUs continue operating at 1.25 Gb/s



3. Fully upgraded EPON.

- Eventually most ONUs may be converted to 10Gb/s
- Network may operate at mixed rate for a very long time

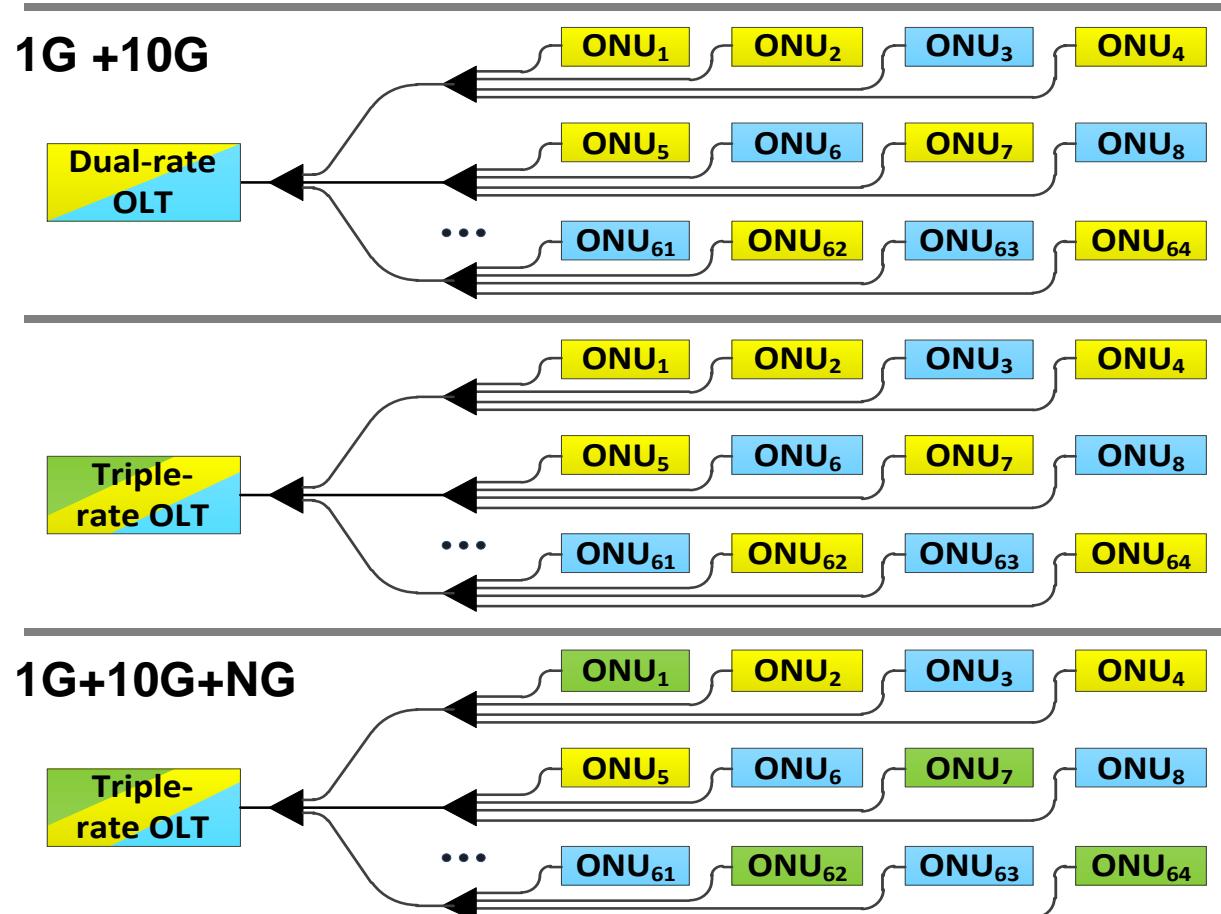


Three-Generation Coexistence



- **Spectrum exhaustion**
 - 1G-EPON used 100 nm upstream band
- **Triple-rate OLT is difficult**

1. Replace 1G/10G OLT with a triple-rate OLT (1G/10G/NG)
2. Deploy NG ONUs, allowing a mix of 1G, 10G, and NG ONUs.



Two-Generation Coexistence



- NG-EPON reuses 1G-EPON wavelengths
- EOL 1Gb/s ONUs before deploying NG-EPON ONUs

1. Replace all remaining 1G ONUs with 10G ONUs
2. Upgrade 1G/10G OLT to 10G/NG OLT
3. Deploy NG ONUs

