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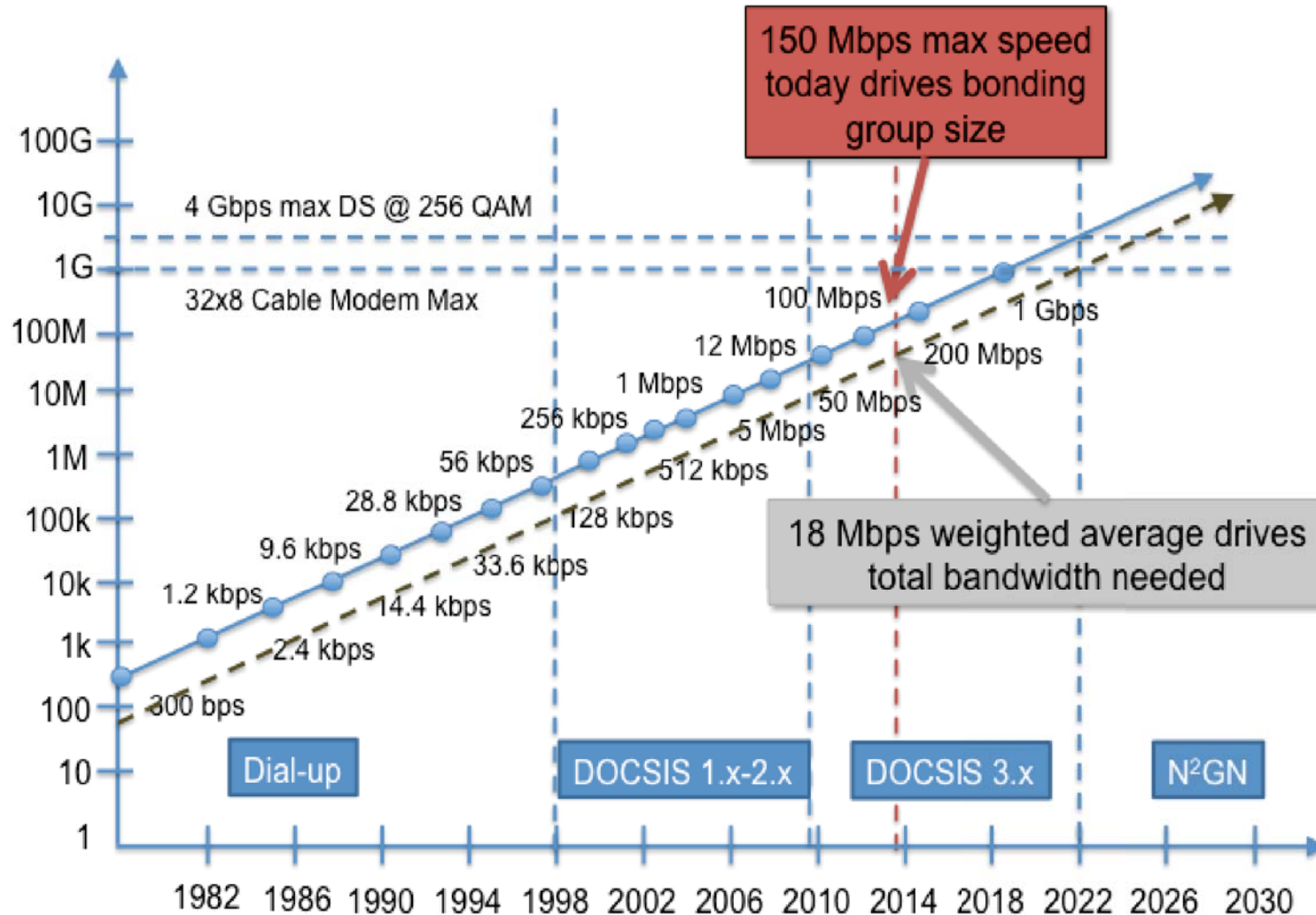
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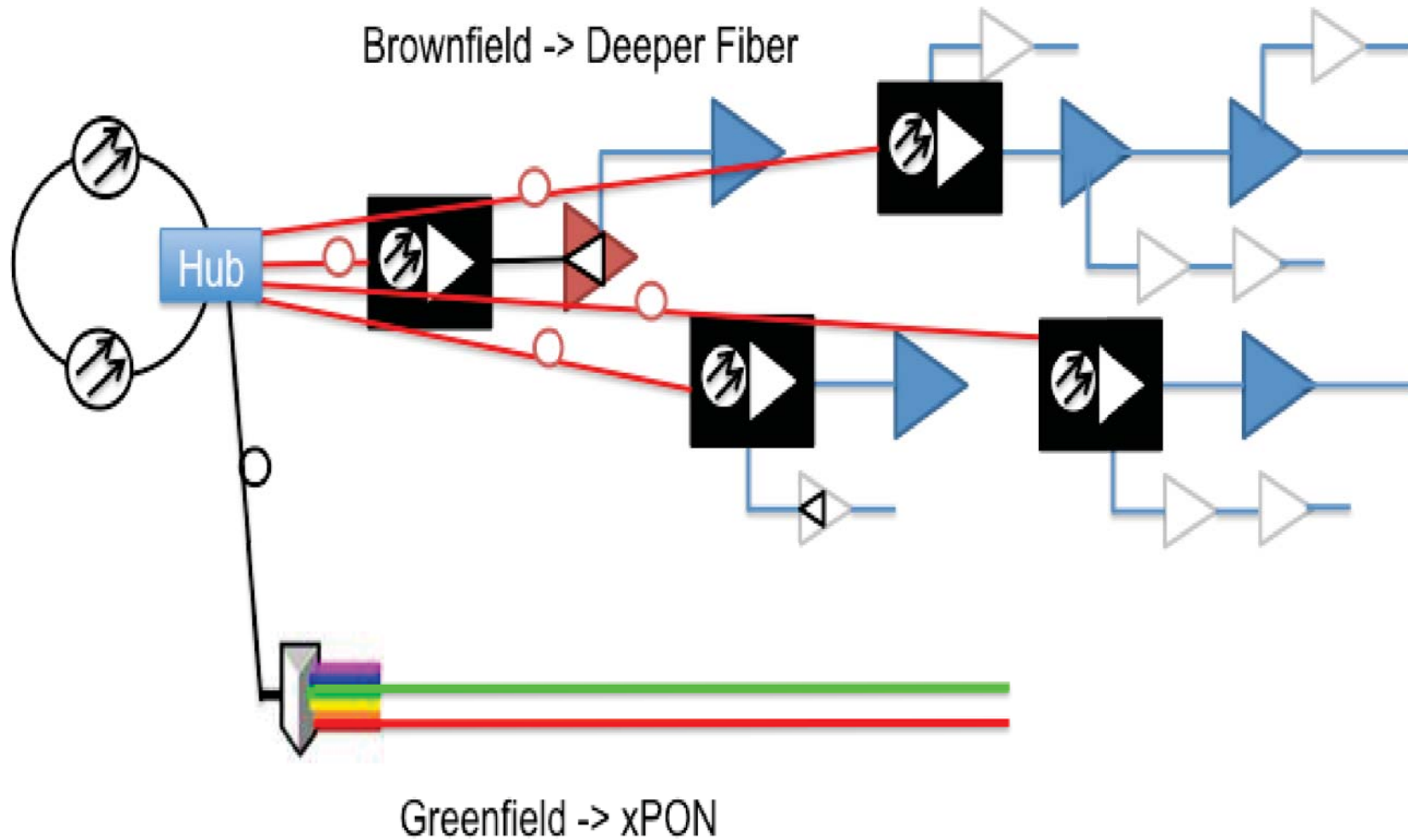
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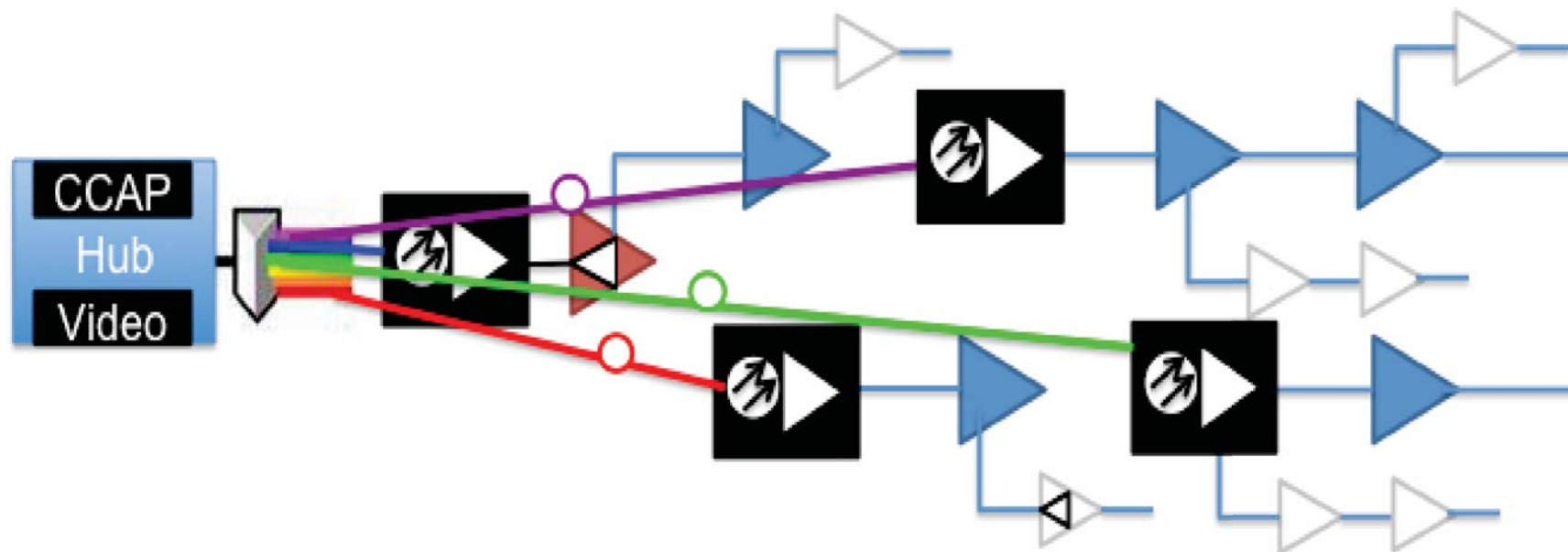
ERAS OF CONSUMER SPEEDS



TYPICAL HFC DEPLOYMENTS



BAU CCAP DEPLOYMENTS



Good news

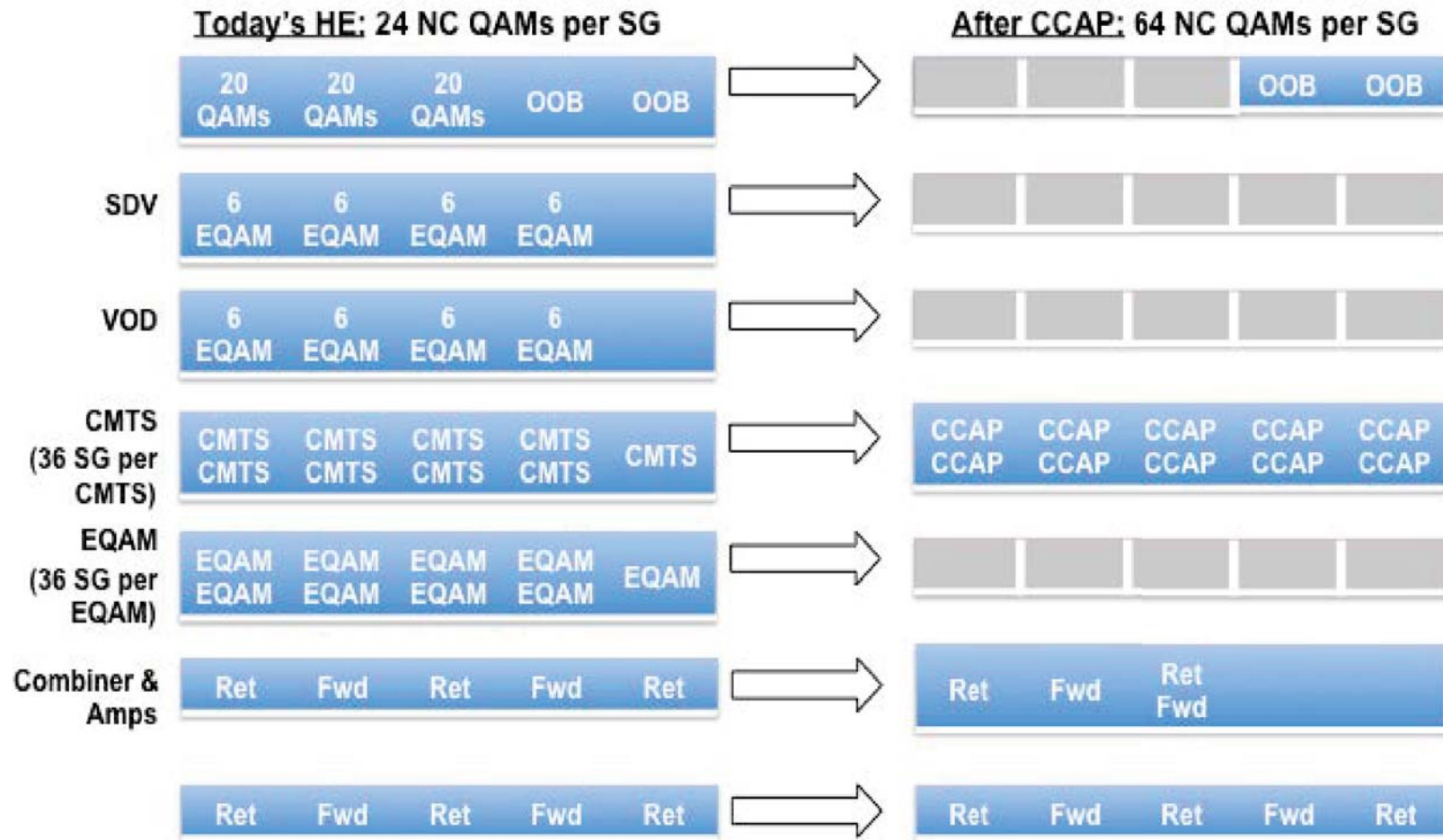
- Less equipment in the Head-End
- Multi-service single box
- Backward compatible
- Easy migration
- Simplify Head-End

Bad news

- Complex to build
- Continued node splits needed
- Timeframe requires transitional approach
- Head-End requirements will be difficult scaling at N+0 and possibly N+1

CCAP HEADEND GAINS

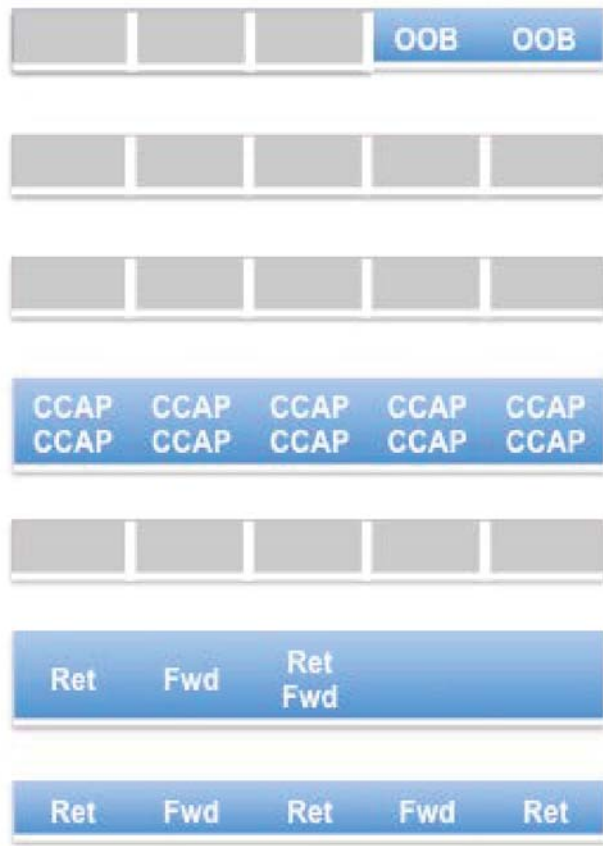
360 SG, 360 node Head-End



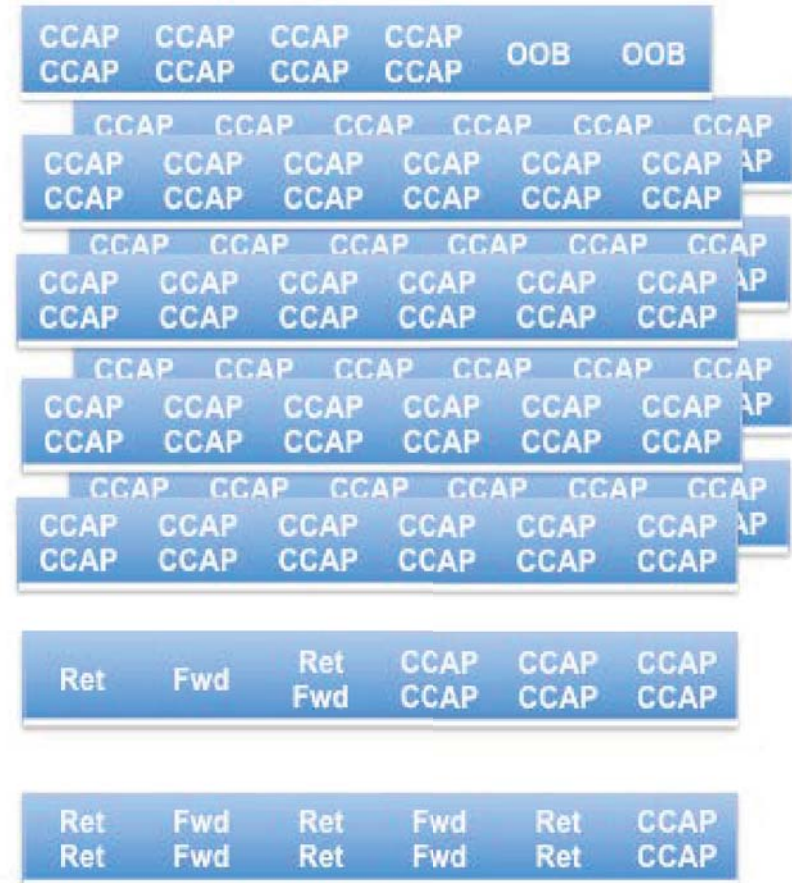
CCAP N+6 TO N+0

360 SG, 360 node Head-End

After CCAP: 64 NC QAMs per SG



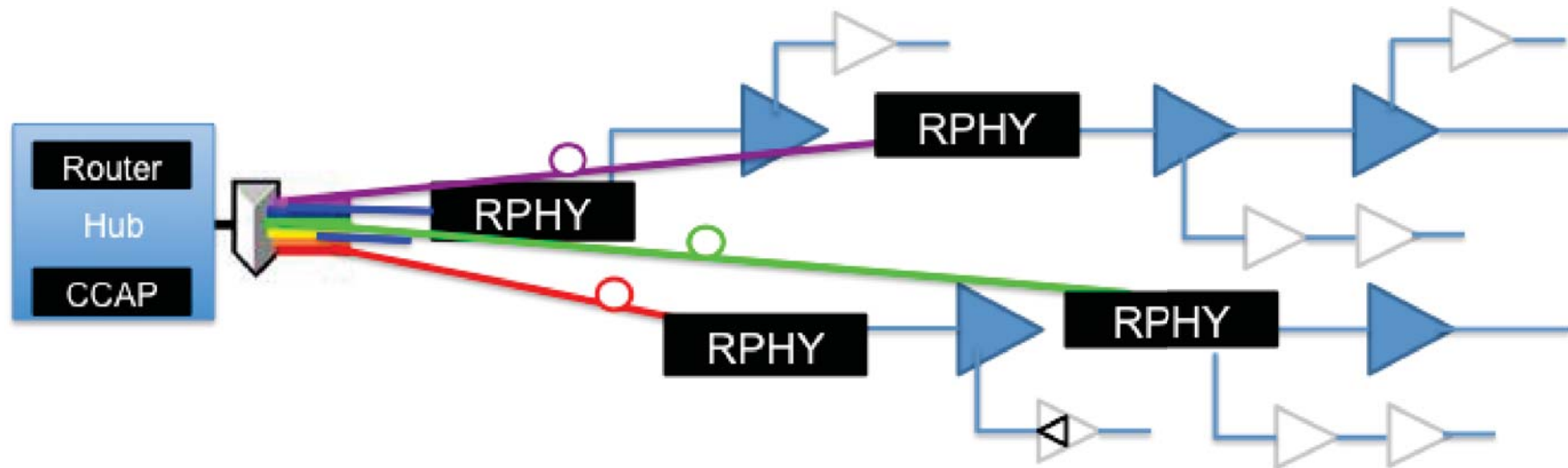
4,320 SG, 4,320 node Head-End



May not fit into existing head-ends – need better solution to scale



REMOTE PHY



Good news

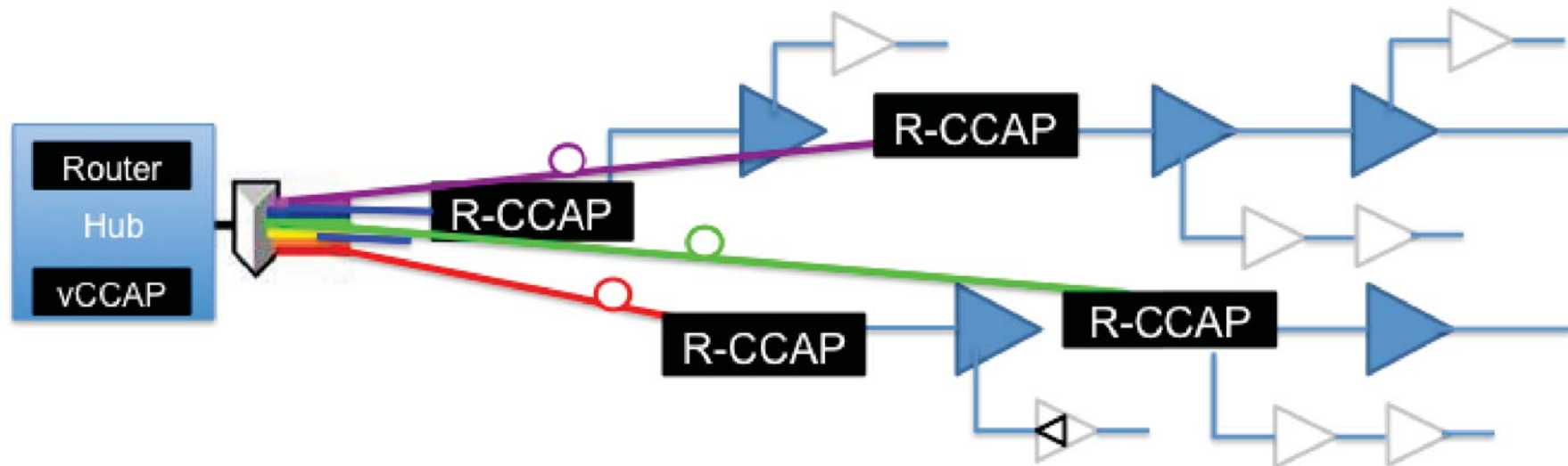
- Line card upgrade only from I-CCAP
- Uses ethernet to reach remote unit
- Backward compatible
- Simplifies migration and head-end
- Higher HFC SNR
- Uses DEPI and UEPI

Bad news

- Requires line card replacement
- Technology limited by chip size today
- Thermal concerns for field deployment
- Have to deal with legacy STB OOB
- Timeframe requires transitional approach
- May not solve head-end space/power issues



REMOTE CCAP



Good news

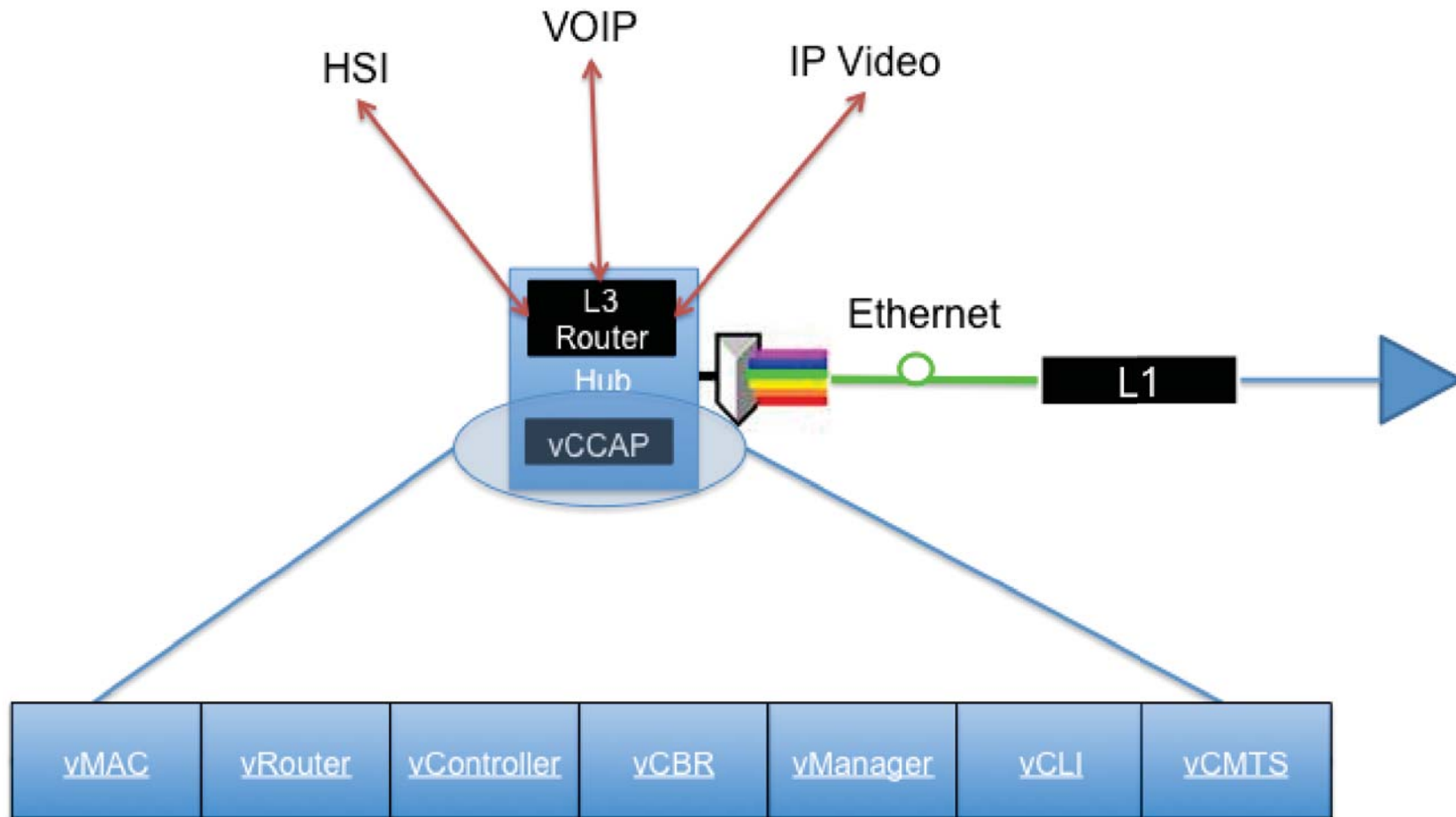
- Less equipment in the Head-End
- Uses ethernet to reach remote unit
- Backward compatible
- Moderately complex migration
- Higher HFC SNR
- Easy to scale

Bad news

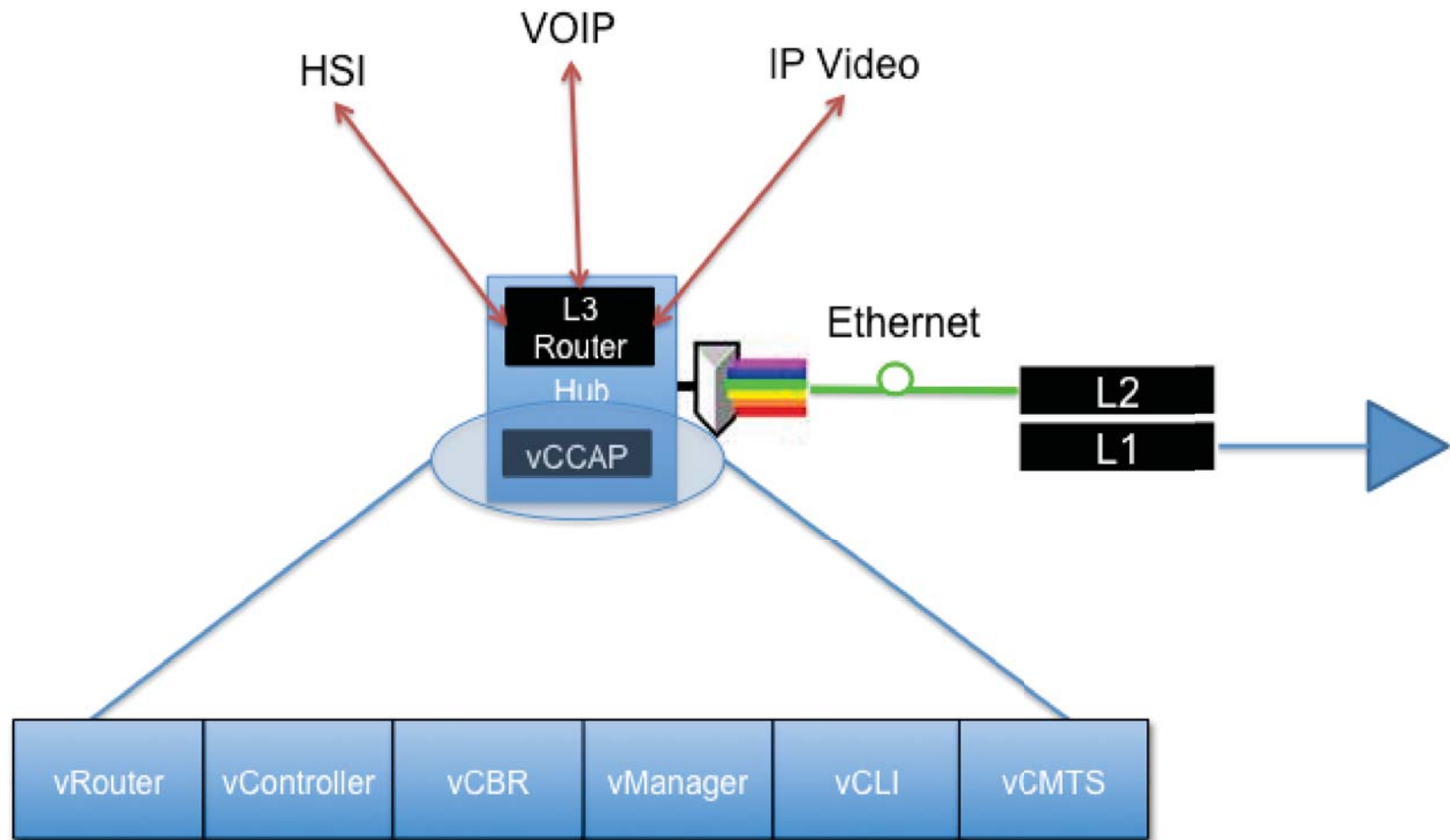
- Technology limited by chip size today
- Thermal concerns for field deployment
- Have to deal with legacy STB OOB
- Timeframe requires transitional approach
- Need to develop new interfaces with SDN



VCCAP REMOTE PHY



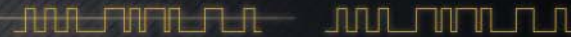
VCCAP REMOTE CCAP



CONCLUSIONS

- ▶ HFC has a long useful life ahead
- ▶ Moving the PHY closer to the customer will improve head-room and allow higher speeds
- ▶ Pushing the MAC into the plant simplifies the head-end
- ▶ Virtualizing cognitive functions into the cloud allows greater scalability
- ▶ Build for today, plan for the future





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