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# MULTI-LAYER CAPACITY PLANNING, COST MODELING AND OPTIMIZATION

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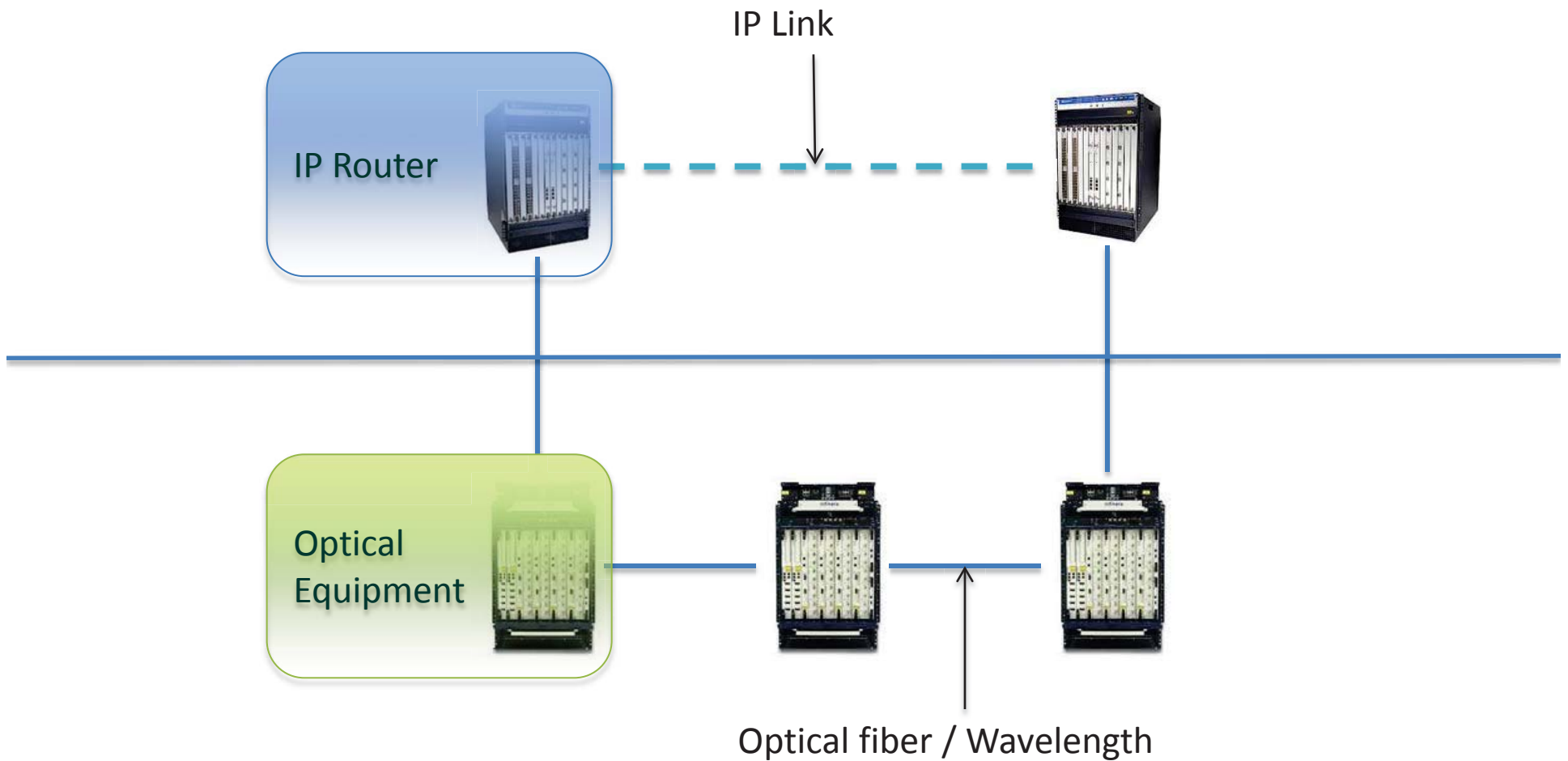
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# Introduction

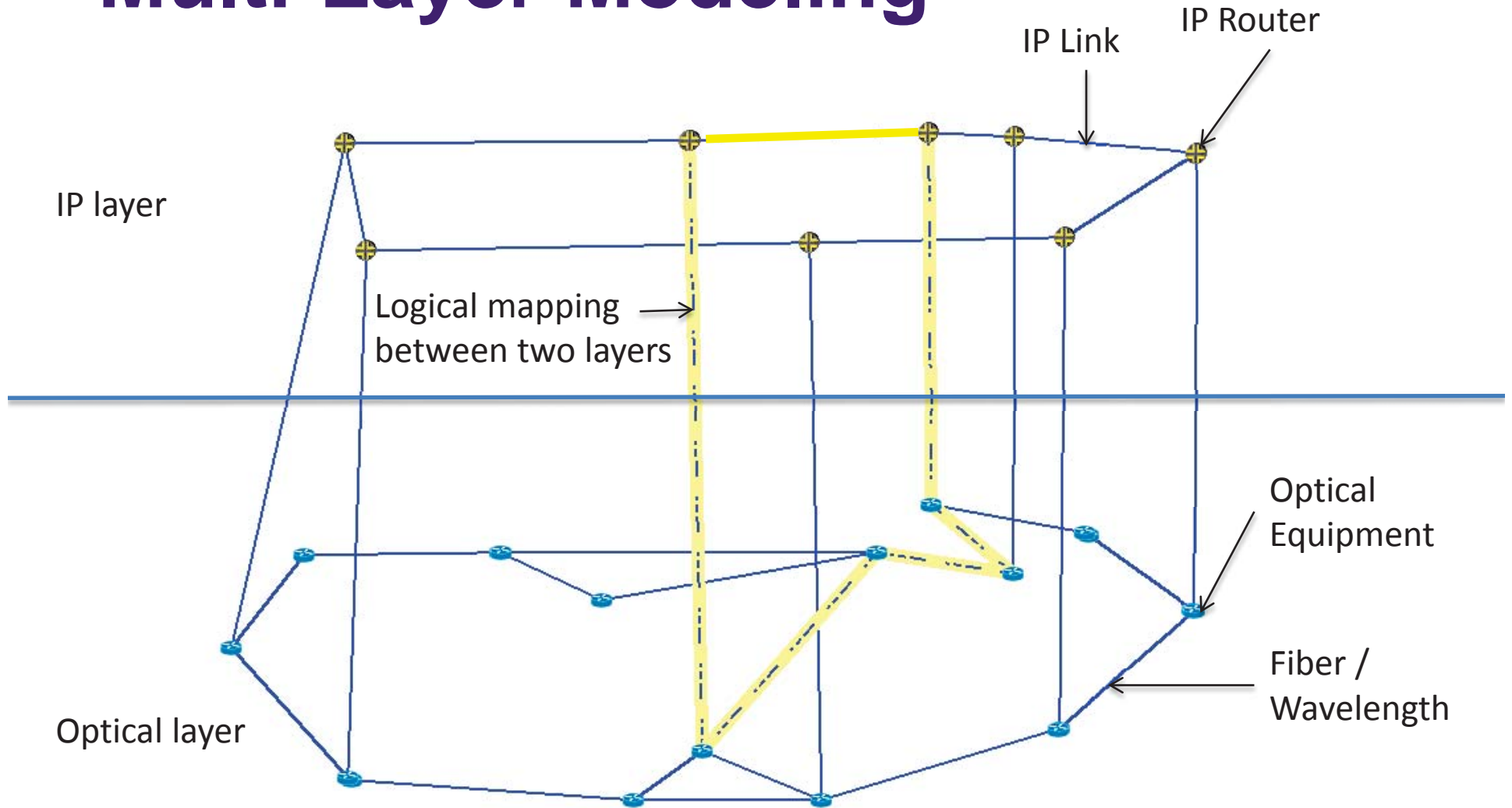
- ▶ Multi-Layer Capacity Planning
  - Modeling and capacity planning for both Layer 3 and Layer 1 together
- ▶ Cost Modeling
  - Bridge capacity planning with the cost (\$\$\$)
- ▶ Backbone Optimization
  - Search for the opportunity to increase CAPEX efficiency based on the multi-layer modeling and cost modeling



# IP Backbone Demarcation



# Multi-Layer Modeling



# Multi-Layer Capacity Planning

- ▶ Directly translate layer 3 capacity requirements to layer 1
- ▶ Automatically generate Shared Risk Link Group (SRLG)
- ▶ Opportunities to optimize network from a holistic view

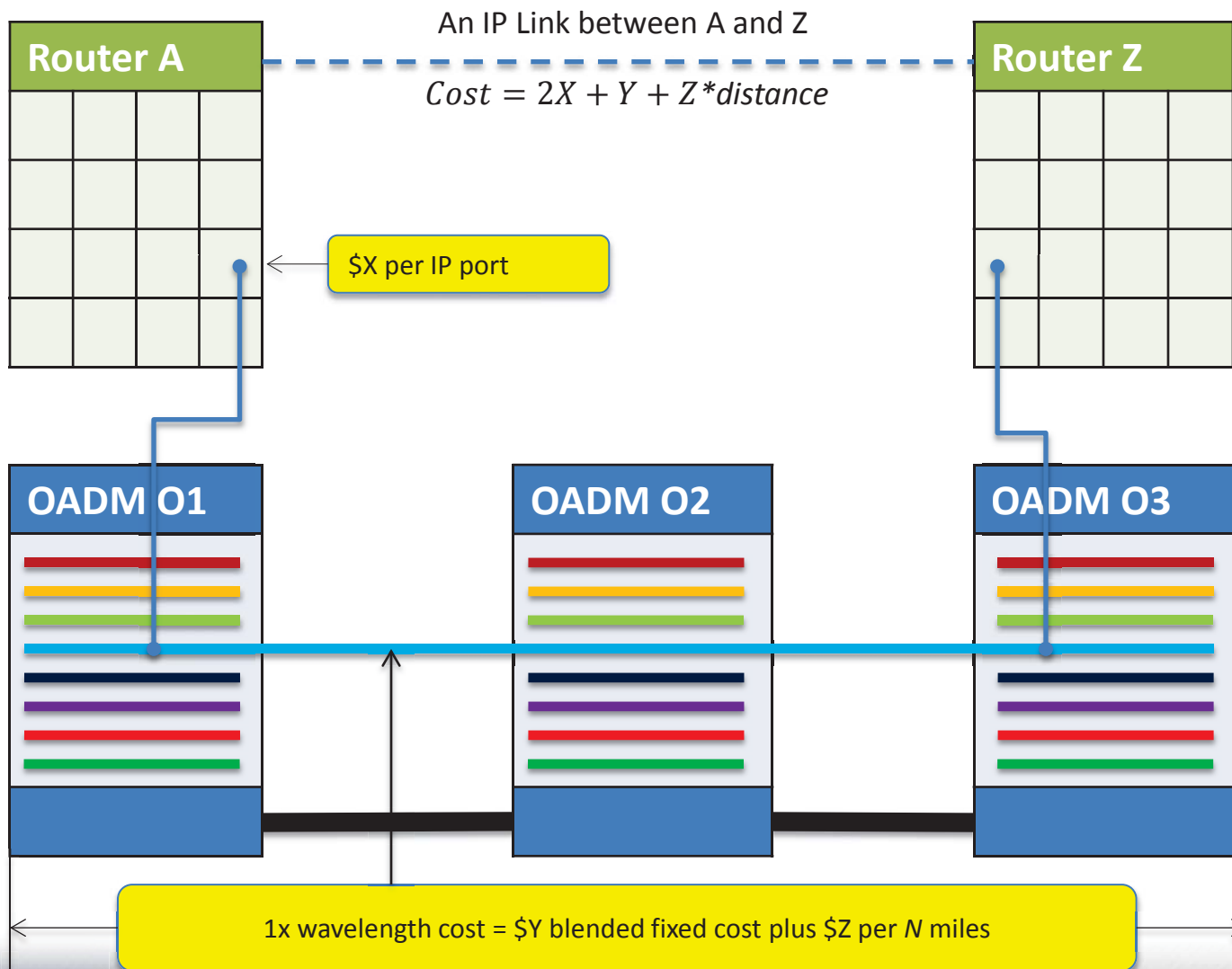


# Cost Modeling

- ▶ Network is a complex system
- ▶ Cost modeling can only be approximated
- ▶ Abstraction helps
  - Blended cost
  - Abstracted network and elements



# A Cost Model



# Validation of Cost Model

- ▶ Compare the model with actual financial data
- ▶  $C/b$ : network cost per Mbps customer traffic

$$C/b = \frac{\text{Total network cost}}{\text{Total customer traffic}}$$

- ▶ Calculated  $C/b$  from model is compared to  $C/b$  from finance department
- ▶ Result is very close





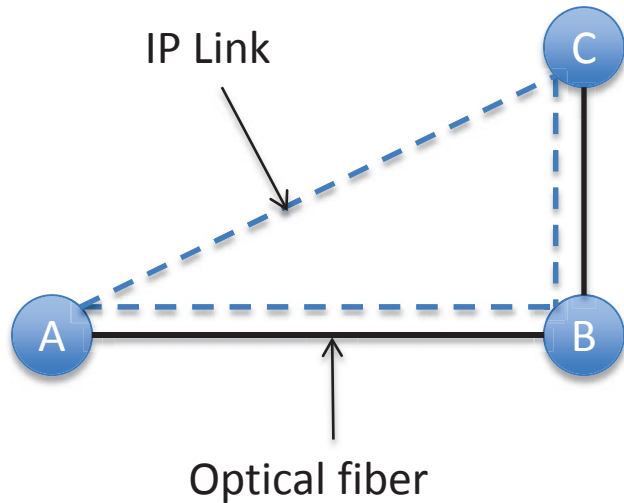
# Network Design Practice

- ▶ Separated activity between layer 3 engineering and layer 1 engineering
- ▶ Without effective coordination, the final design may not be optimal
- ▶ Multi-Layer modeling and proper tools provide new opportunities for optimization

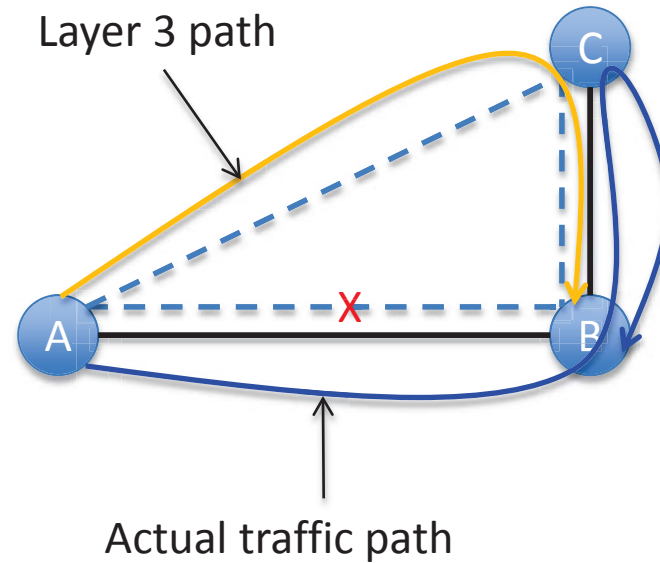


# Case 1: Double Dipping

Normal State



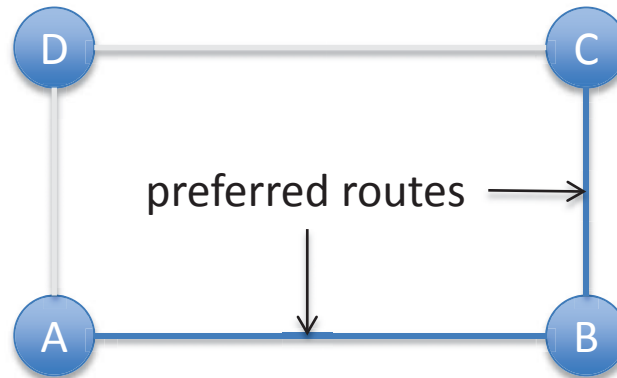
Failure State



# Case 2: Hidden Cost

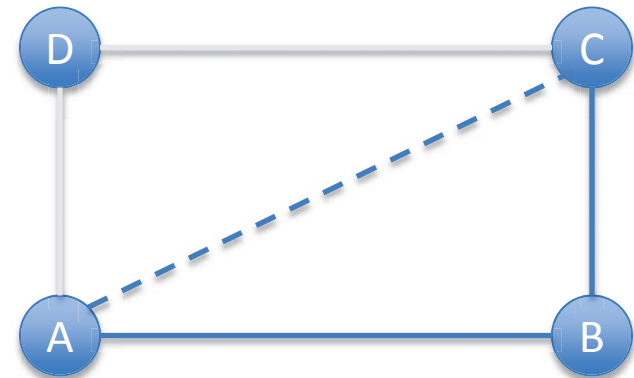
Traffic Matrix	
A → B	10G
B → C	10G
A → C	10G

Design I: Without Optical Bypass



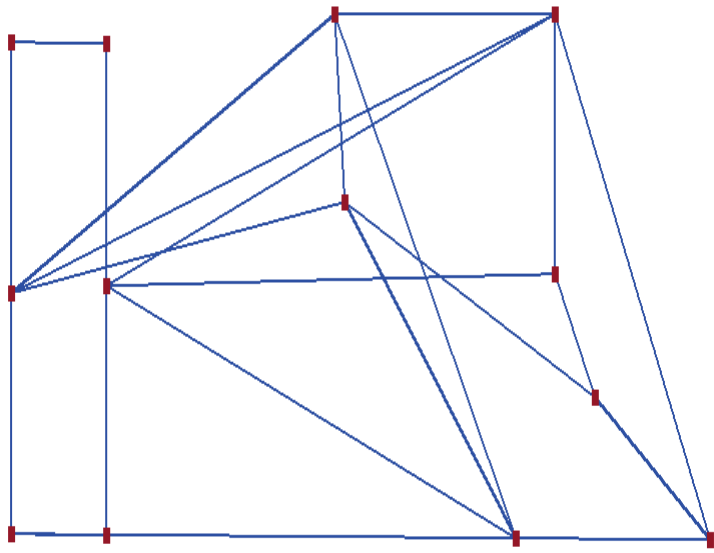
Link	Required Capacity
A-B	20G
B-C	20G
A-D	20G
D-C	20G

Design II: With Optical Bypass

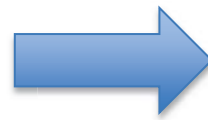


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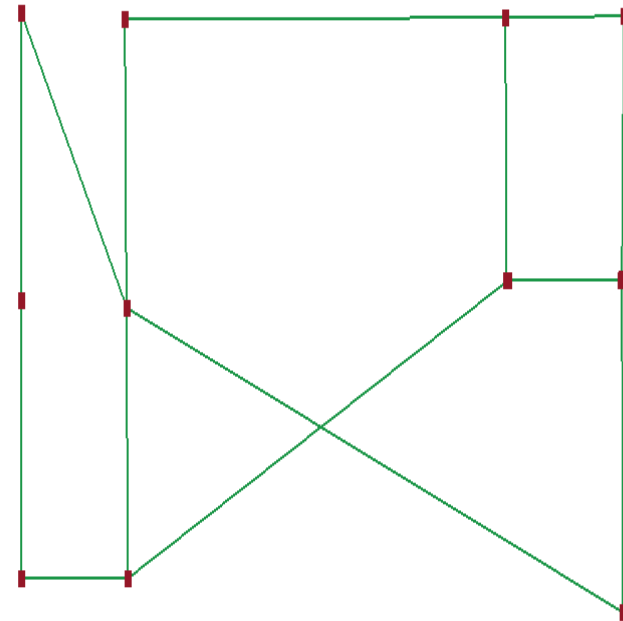
# Multi-Layer Network Optimization



Original network



10%+ CAPEX Savings



Optimized network





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