



LIGHTWAVELOGIC®

Faster by Design

“World class performance for 200Gbps PAM4 and 400Gbps PAM4 lanes from electro-optic polymer modulators.”

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ECOC Market Focus
September 2024

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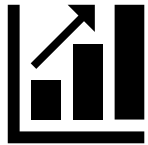
Who we are...

Corporate Overview



LIGHTWAVE LOGIC

Lightwave Logic is positioned for growth by leveraging its proprietary electro-optic polymers to transmit data at higher speeds with less power and integration with silicon foundaries...



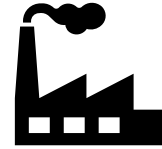
Large & Growing Overall Market

Market expected to grow to ~\$100B by 2030 driven by data centers, comm & AI requirements



Proprietary EO Polymer Technology

Supports >3x faster data transmission speeds with ~10x lower power, relieving bottlenecks in internet infrastructure



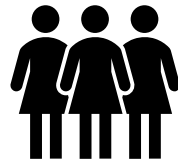
Commercialization Underway

Secured initial licensing agreement in May '23



Robust Patent Portfolio

70+ patents and patents pending



Experienced Leadership:

Management, TAB, and Board are composed of technology & finance experts with 200+ years of combined experience



Robust Balance Sheet

\$31M+ cash for growth
No debt

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Share Price ¹	\$3.90
Market Cap ¹	\$468.4M
Cash & Cash Equivalents ²	\$31.5M
Debt ¹	\$0
Shares Outstanding ¹	120.1M
Headquarters	Englewood, CO

1) As of May 17, 2024
2) At Mar. 31, 2024

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Polymer Opportunities...

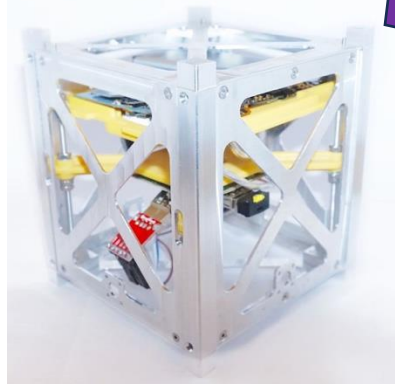
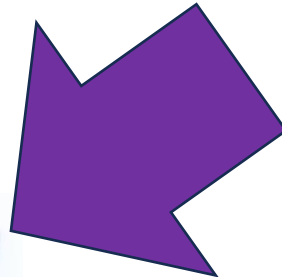
Key EO Polymer Material & Modulator Markets



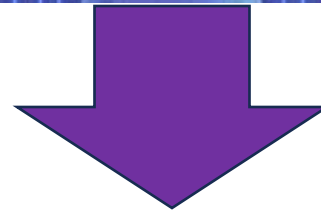
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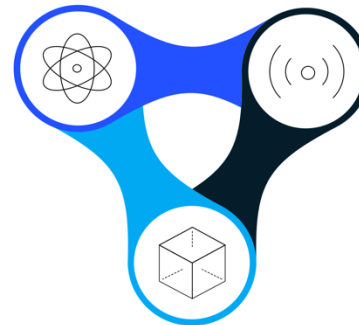
"DATACENTERS"



"SPACE"

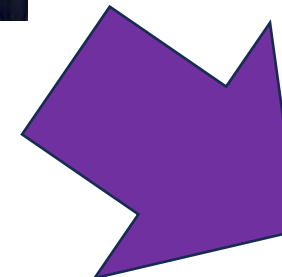


Quantum computing (QC) Quantum communications (QComms)



Quantum sensing (QS)

"QUANTUM"



"STORAGE"

Near Term: Addressing Datacenter power and speed requirements Is Clear Application for EO Polymers



Reducing “Power” in data centers with minimum disruption will remain a top priority for the near future

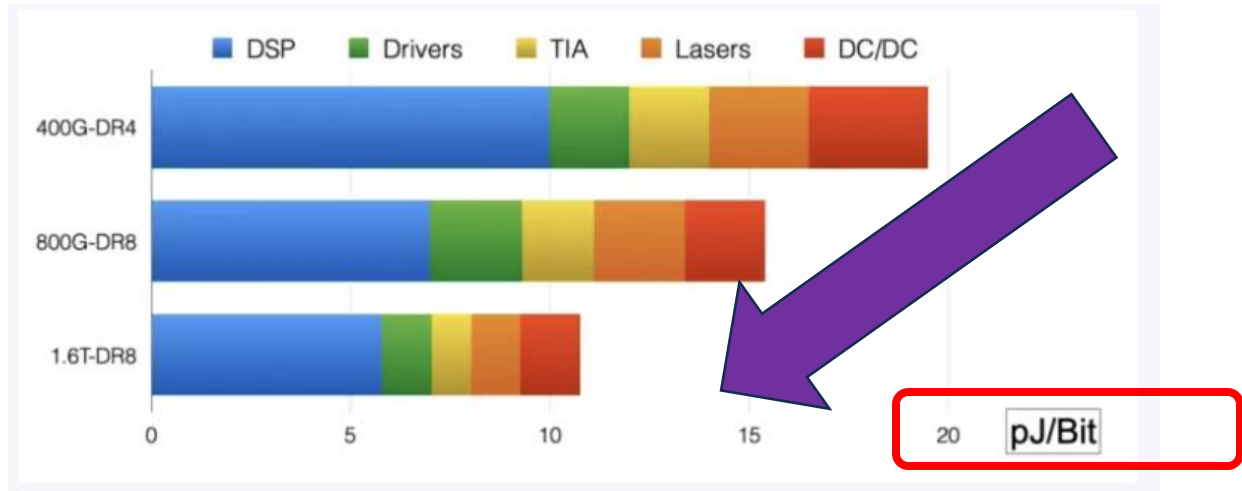
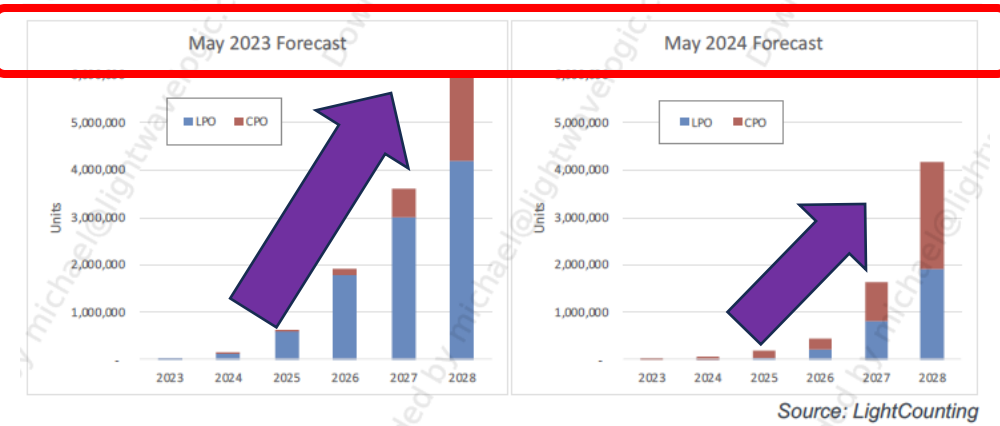


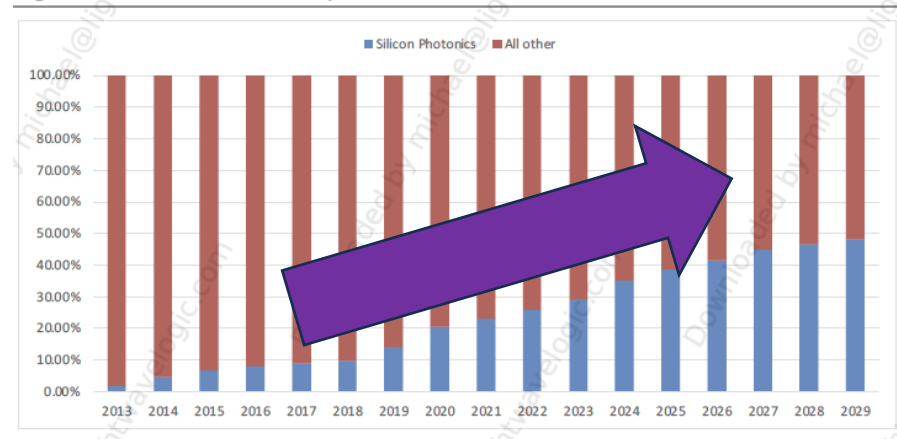
Figure E-4: Change to the forecast for LPO and CPO



To reach pJ/Bit targets a “collective” effort is needed

- A key “vehicle” for this effort can be new, high-density modules enabled by “co-dependent” features like...
 - Lower power/“lite” DSPs (or no DSPs/LPO)
 - Next-gen modulators

Figure 1-1: Market share of silicon photonics transceivers

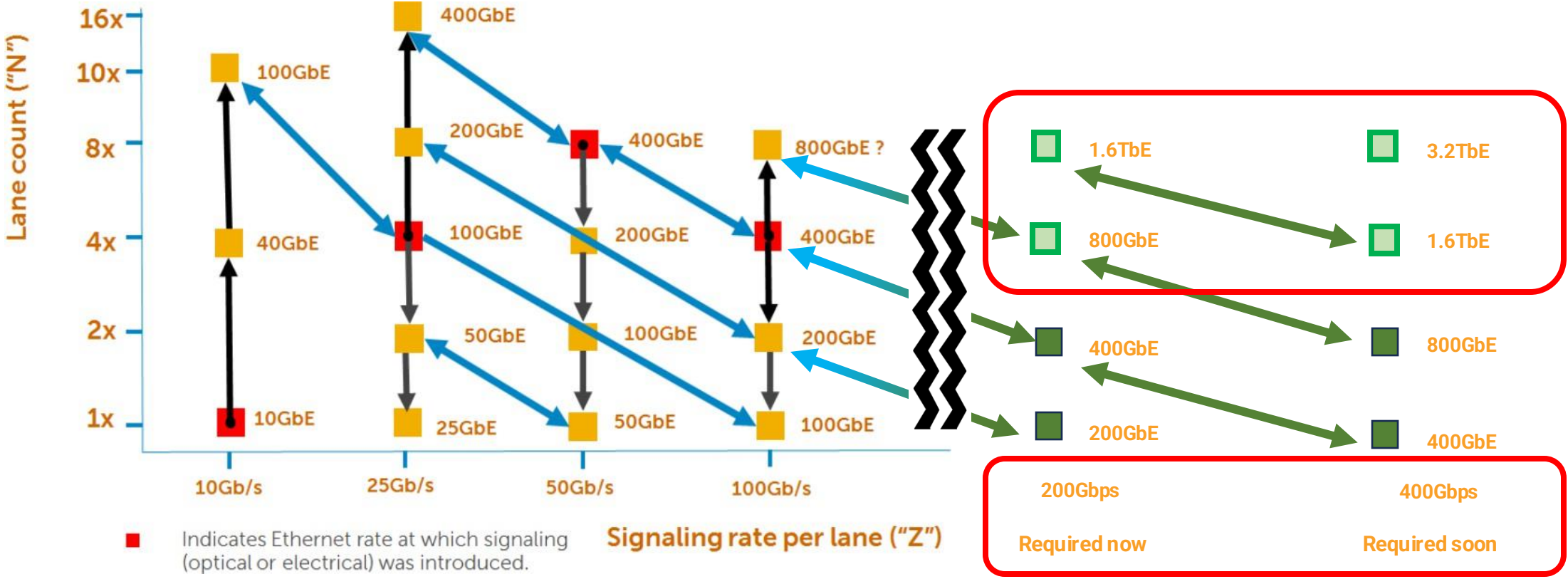


For LPO, CPO & SiPH adoption will be gradual



Next Generation Interconnect Speed Will Require Scaling of Optical PMD

The New Rate Paradigm – “N” x “Z”

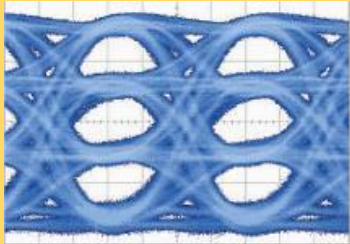


Deploying Ethernet or Infiniband or proprietary protocols at speeds of 200Gbps/lane and beyond is becoming increasingly challenging

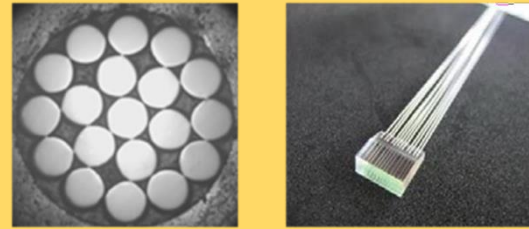


4 Options to Scale Optical PMD

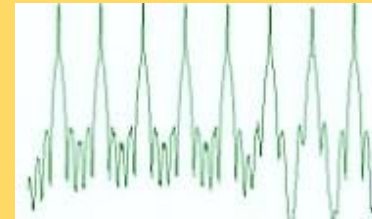
multi-level modulation



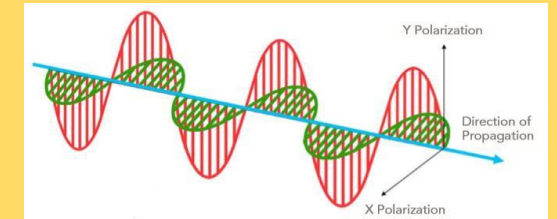
Space Division Multiplexing



Wavelength Division Multiplexing



Polarization Multiplexing



- It took **~7 years** for PAM4 mass adoption. It will need to be used until 3.2T
- SDM and WDM have "run way" >3.2T but industry is going to have to learn – and scale - miniature fiber handling and "attach" techniques...**fast and cost effectively**
- The likelihood that coherent will be adopted by datacenters or datacom is **miniscule** until ~6.4T (see item 1 above)

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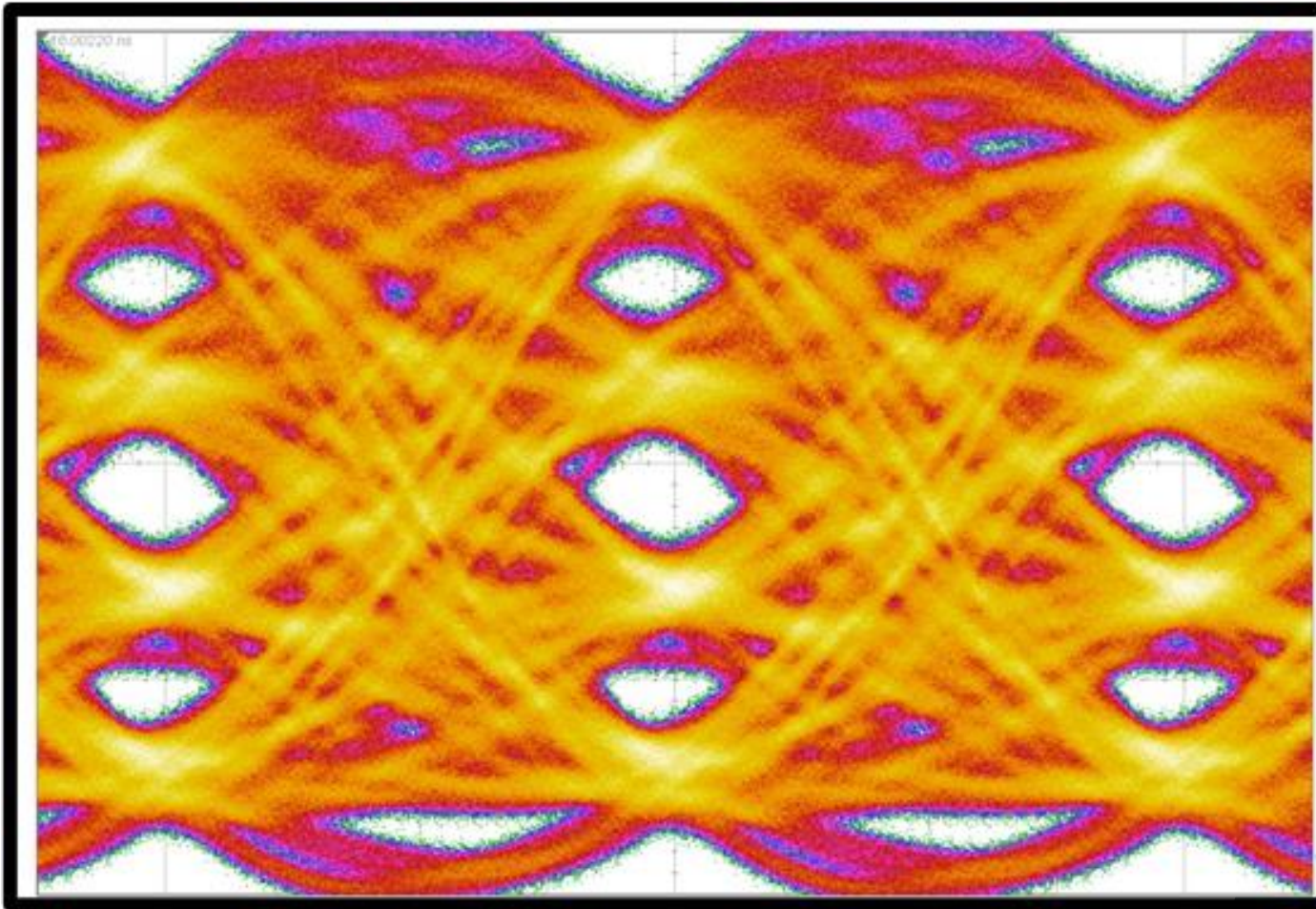
*Polymer Performance To
Address PMD Challenge*

Internal Performance Results



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100 Gbaud, 200 Gbit/s, $V_{\text{drive}} < 1 \text{ V}$



Drive Voltage $\sim 1 \text{ V}$

Up to 100GBaud PAM4
(200Gbps)

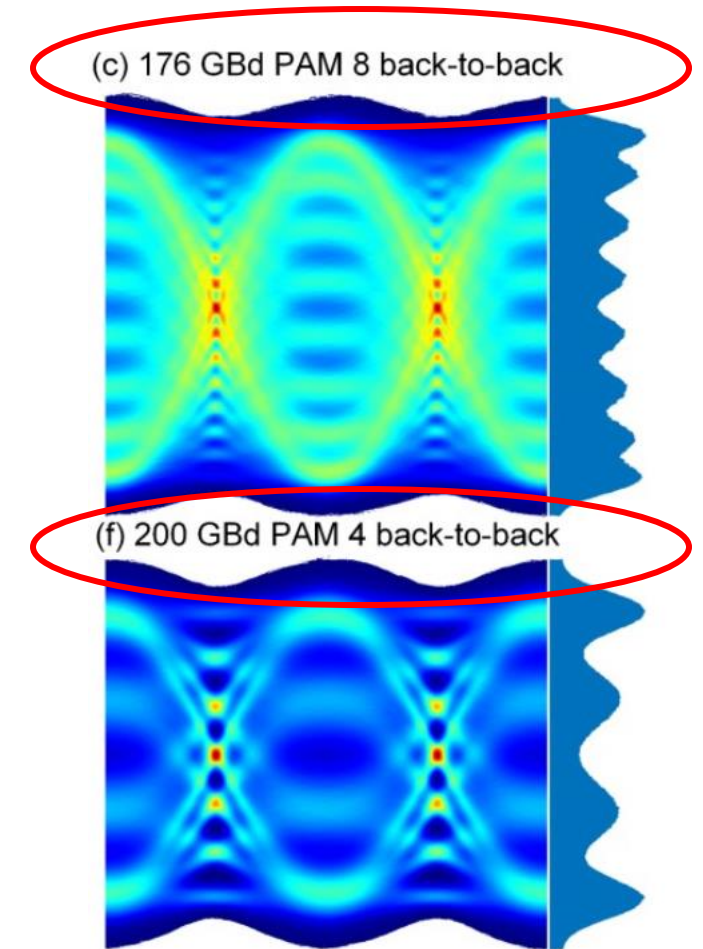
Open eyes...

Ideal for low voltage
800Gbps 4 lane and 8
lane 1.6Tbps pluggable
transceivers

3rd party use of Perkinamine® LWLG polymers



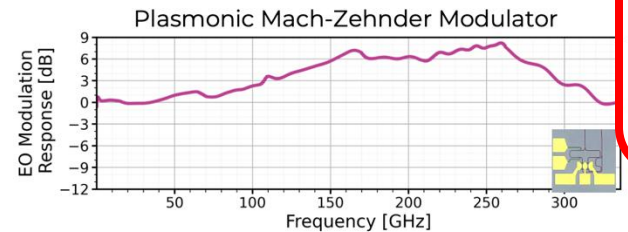
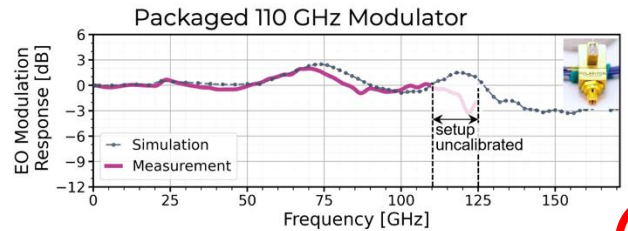
- *World class performance EO polymers* used for *400G lanes*
- Next generation node for datacenters
- Potential to enable 4 lane pluggable transceiver at 1.6Tbps & 8 lane at 3.2Tbps





Positioning for 400Gbps per lane

Plasmonic MZ with LWLG EOP



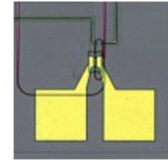
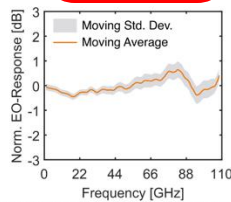
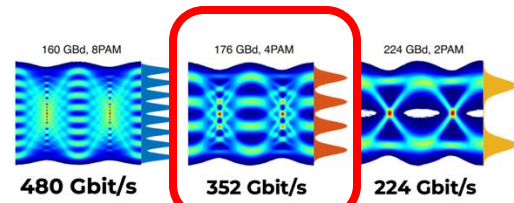
Small RC-constant & high-speed
 → Packaged modulator: >110 GHz (next-gen: 145 GHz)
 → Chip-level >300 GHz
 → Chip-level *high-speed*^[1] >500 GHz

[1] Burla, Maurizio, et al. "500 GHz plasmonic Mach-Zehnder modulator enabling sub-THz microwave photonics." *Appl Photonics* 4.5 (2019).



Plasmonic RR with LWLG EOP

Beyond 400 G/λ: Plasmonic Ring Resonator Modulator



- Fiber-to-fiber loss: <6 dB
1.6 dB device loss
- Extinction Ratio > 10 dB
- EO Bandwidth > 110 GHz
- 461 Gbit/s AIR

Blatter et al., *Plasmonic Ring Resonator Modulator Demonstrating 1M/DD >400G per lane*, ECOC 2024, Tu1D.1

Polariton packaged products with Lightwave Logic EO polymer engine...

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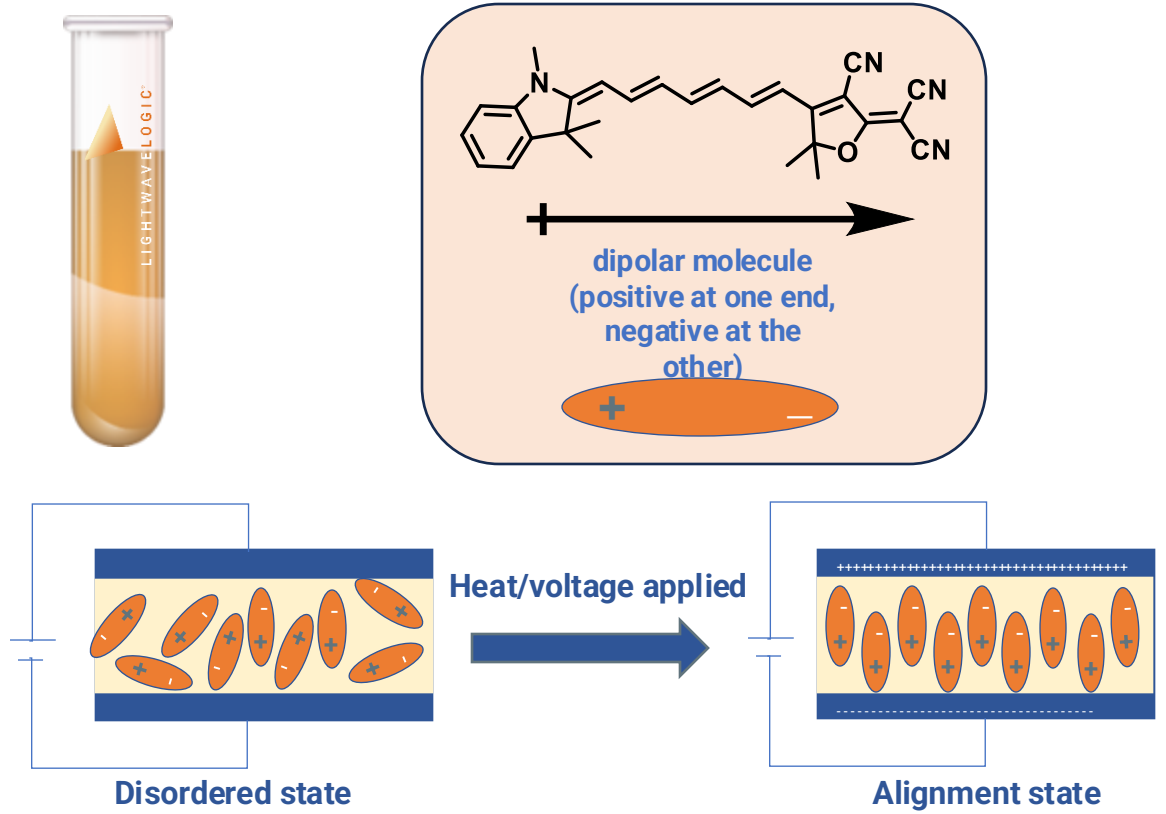
Chromophore production



Perkinamine® Electro-Optic polymers

Our polymers are world-class and proven by third parties

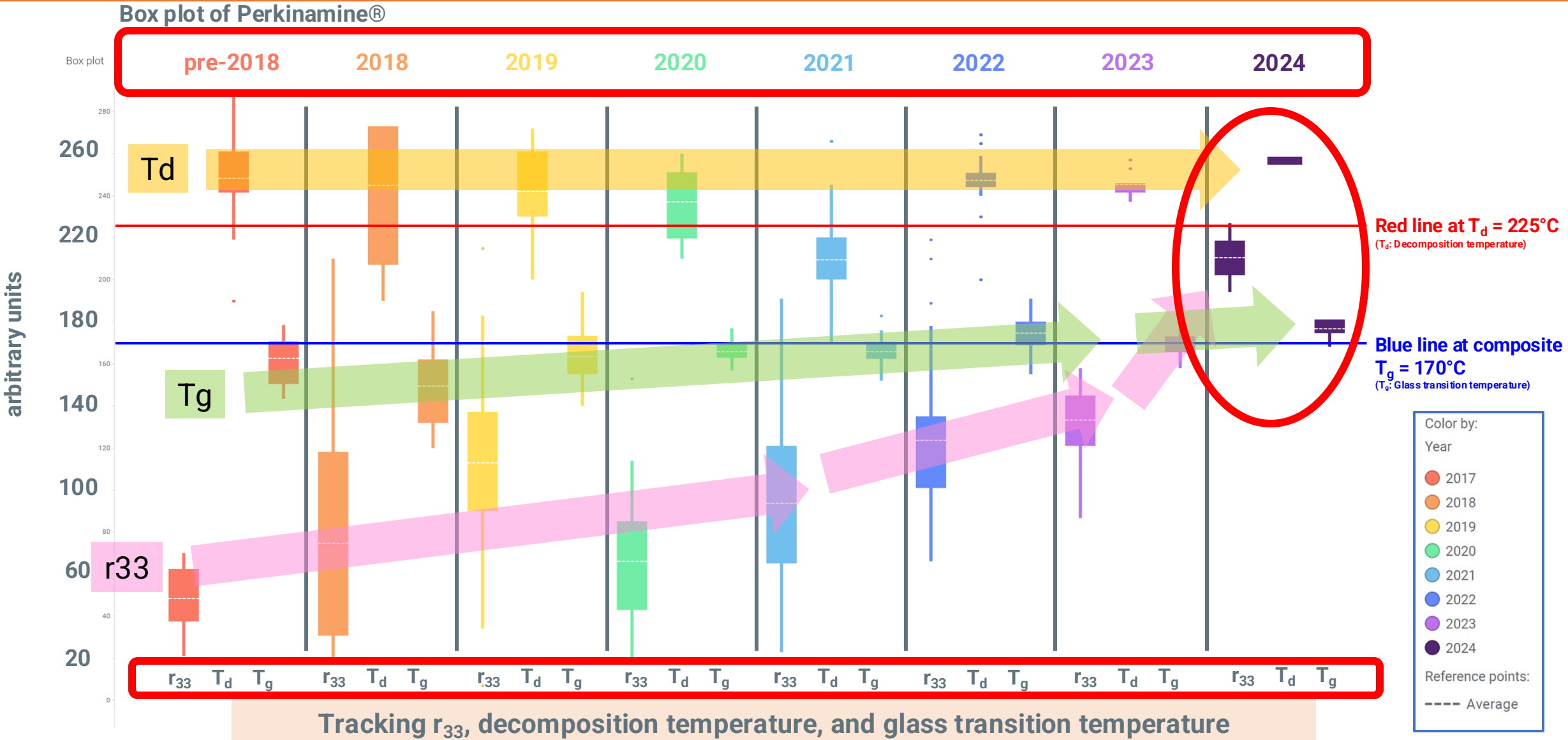
Electro-optic polymers can be used to fabricate optical modulators



We create organic chromophores...

- Designed, simulated and modeled in Denver, Colorado
- Manufacturing chemistry facility that can scale volume
- Deep experience with material characterization, testing, lifetime, and reliability

LWLG EO polymer materials have significantly improved...



A box plot or boxplot is a method for graphically demonstrating the locality, spread and skewness groups of numerical data through their quartiles

Source: LWLG

Lot Uniformity

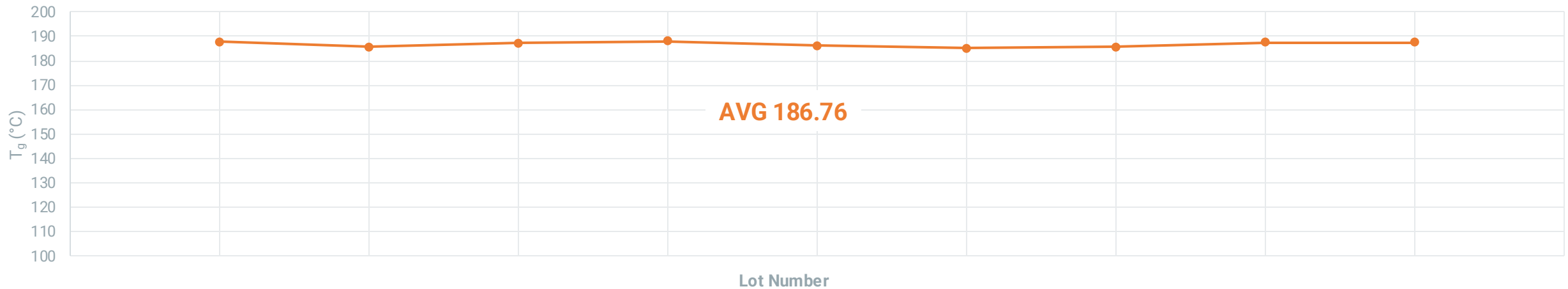


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Purity (%) by lot



Glass Transition Temperature (T_g , °C) by lot



LWLG Electro-Optic Polymers: Ready for Commercialization

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World-class chemical synthesis lab

State-of-the-art equipment for process-scale synthesis of chromophores



Industry-standard purification techniques

State-of-the-art equipment for production of highly pure materials



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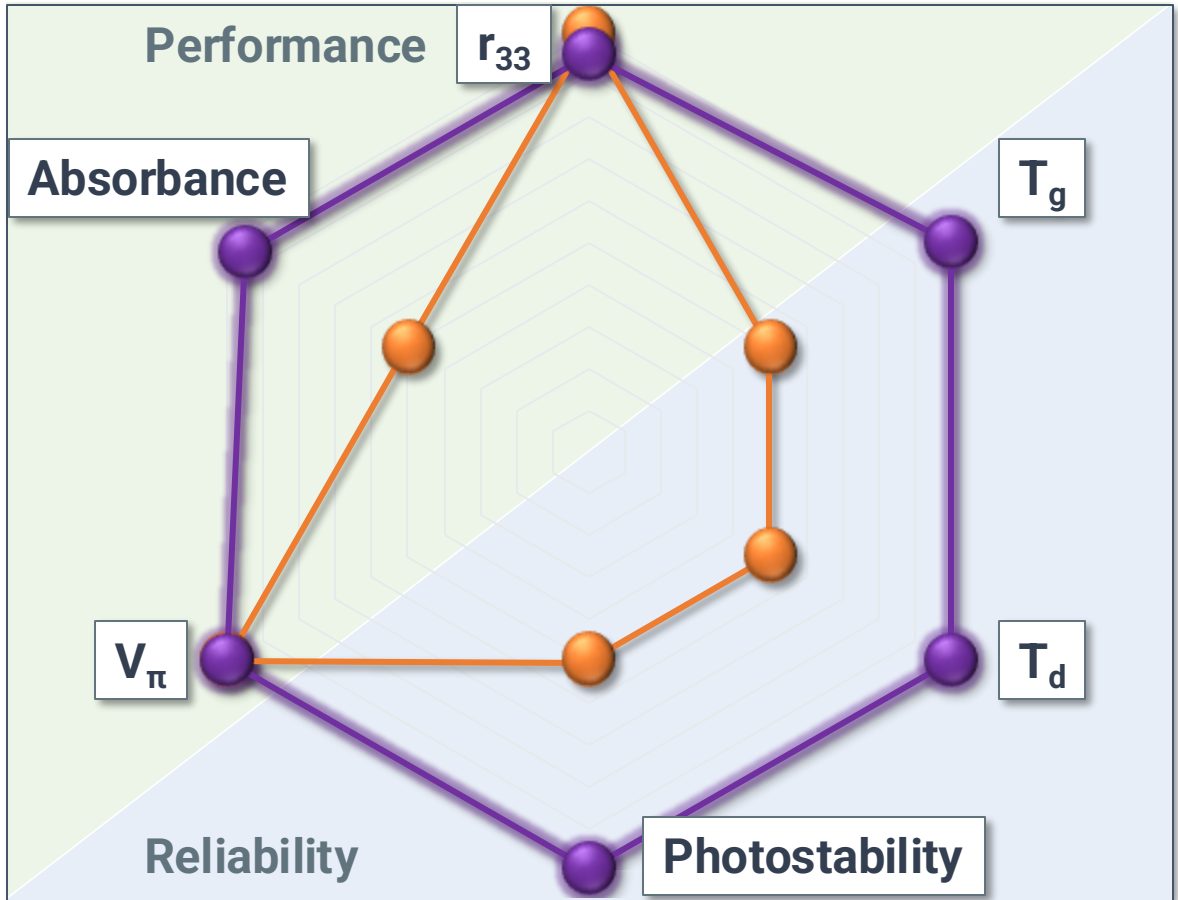
Reliability



Material comparison: TFLN vs LWLG Polymers

Thin-Film LiNbO ₃ (TFLN)	LWLG Electro-Optic Polymers
r_{33} (1310 nm) ~31 pm/V	r_{33} (1310 nm) > 200 pm/V
Fabrication and processing: <i>DIFFICULT & HIGH TEMP</i> (>1000°C)	Fabrication and processing: <i>EASY</i> (foundry compatible) & <i>LOW TEMP</i> (<150°C)
Relative Permittivity: 30 (poor velocity matching)	Relative Permittivity: 3-4 (good velocity matching)

Material comparison: LWLG Polymers vs Competition/Legacy Polymers



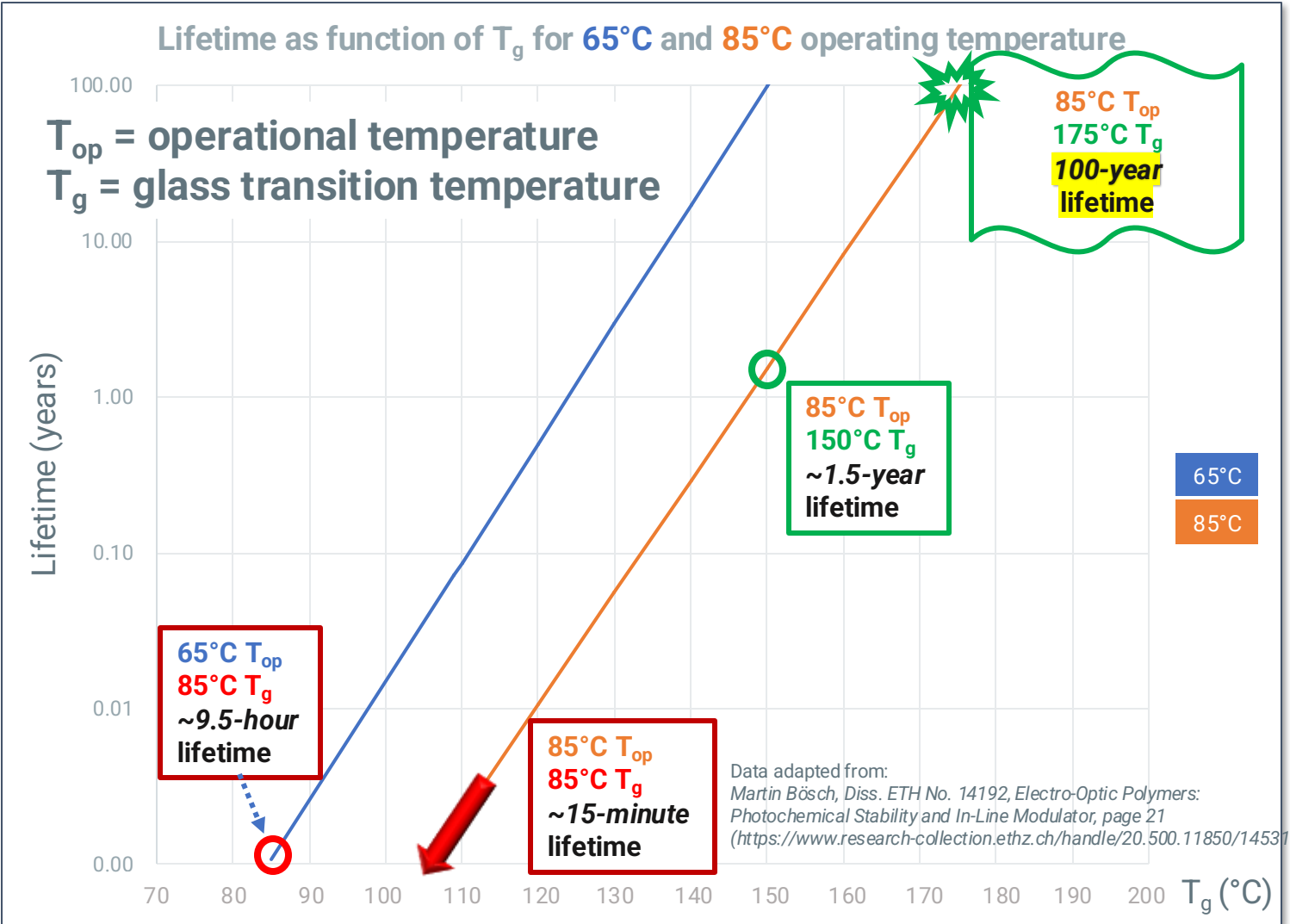
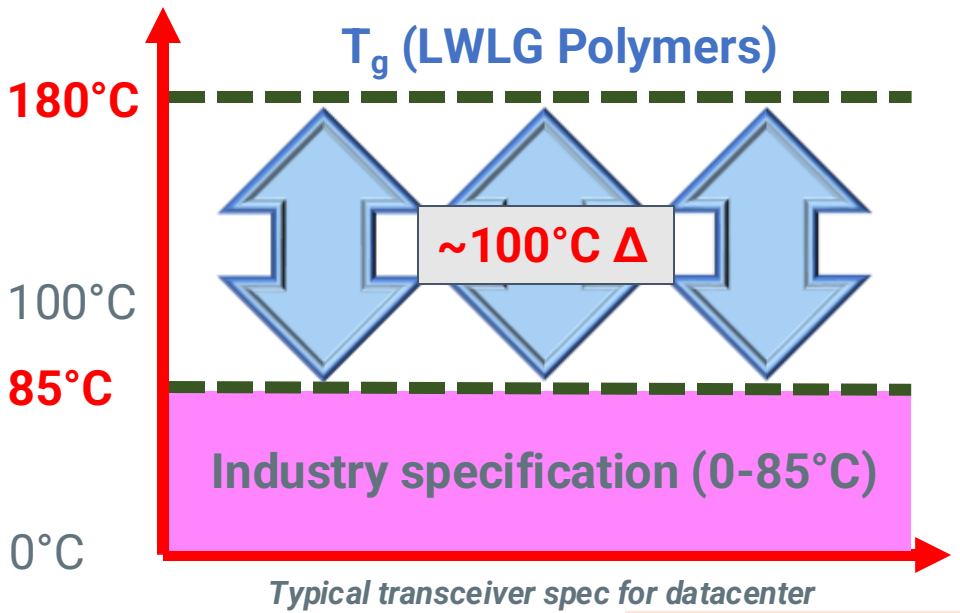
LWLG EO polymers are world-class in every parameter and designed for reliability.



Temporal Stability – Design for Reliability

Temporal Stability = Orientational Stability of Poled State

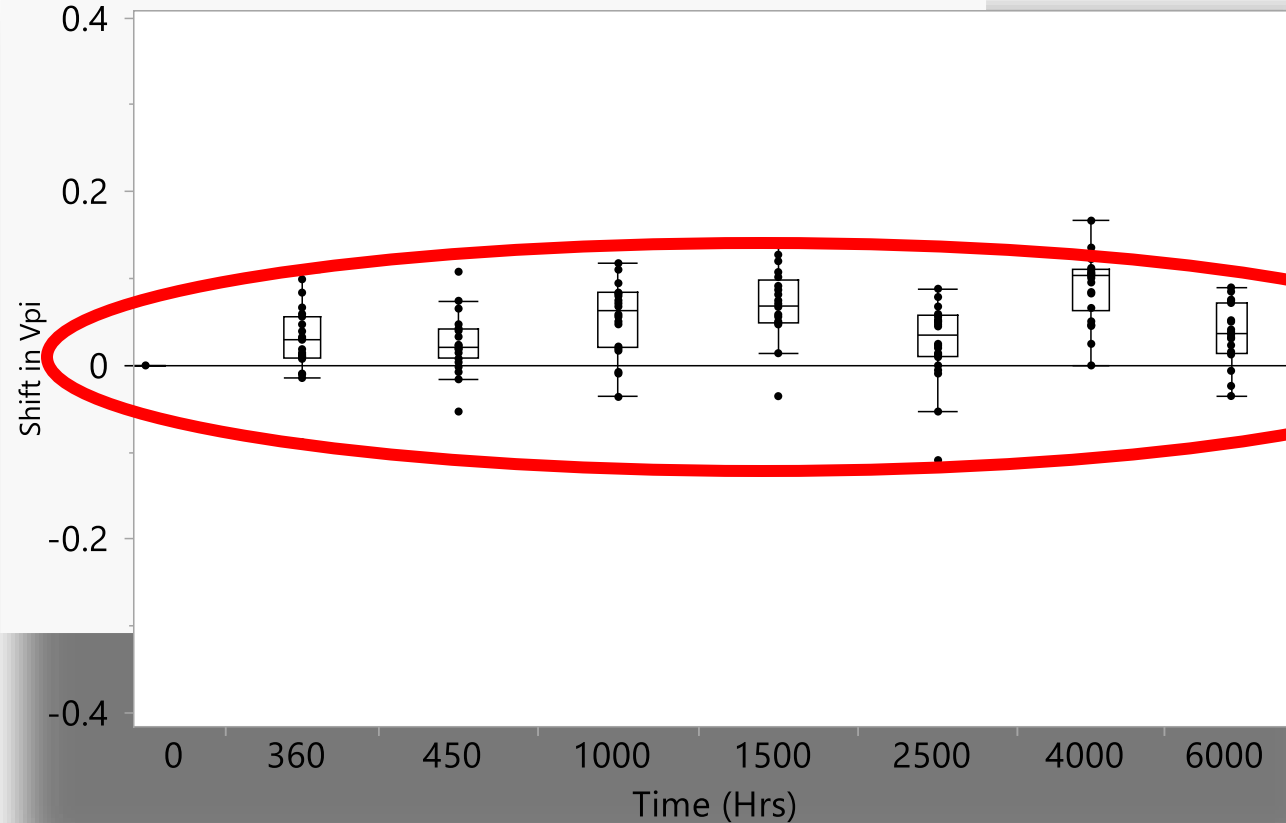
- Lifetime = 10% loss of poled state
- Increasing T_g of material increases lifetime (protects from loss of activity due to depoling)
- *LWLG materials designed for high T_g*



LWLG EO polymers are uniquely resistant to de-poling due to high T_g .



Modulator Thermal Stability (TS)



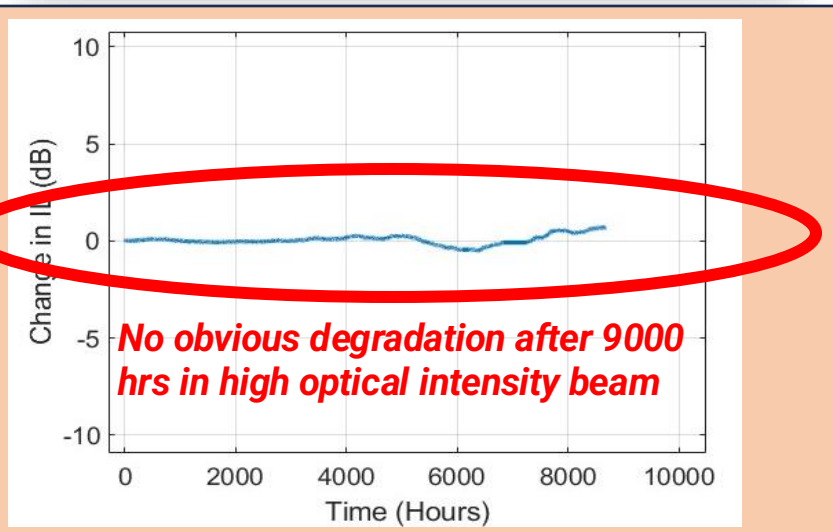
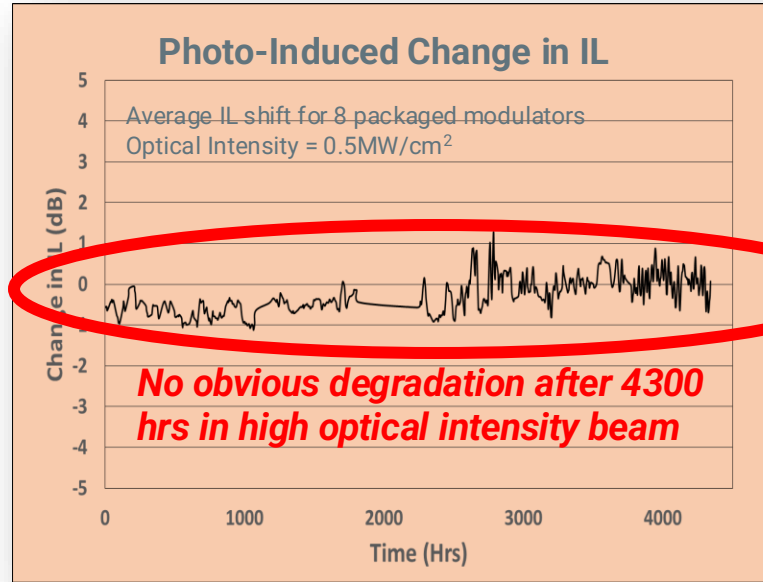
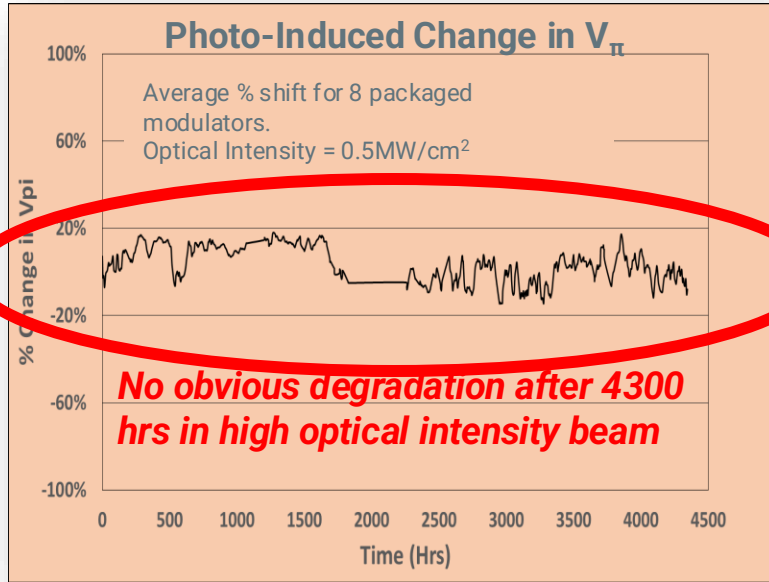
- The V_{π} on 20 modulators is stable over 6000hrs.
- The average shift over \sim 6000hours is 1.2% and it is within the margin of error of the test setup.

Modulator V_{π} stable after 6000 hrs

Photostability vs Voltage and Insertion Loss



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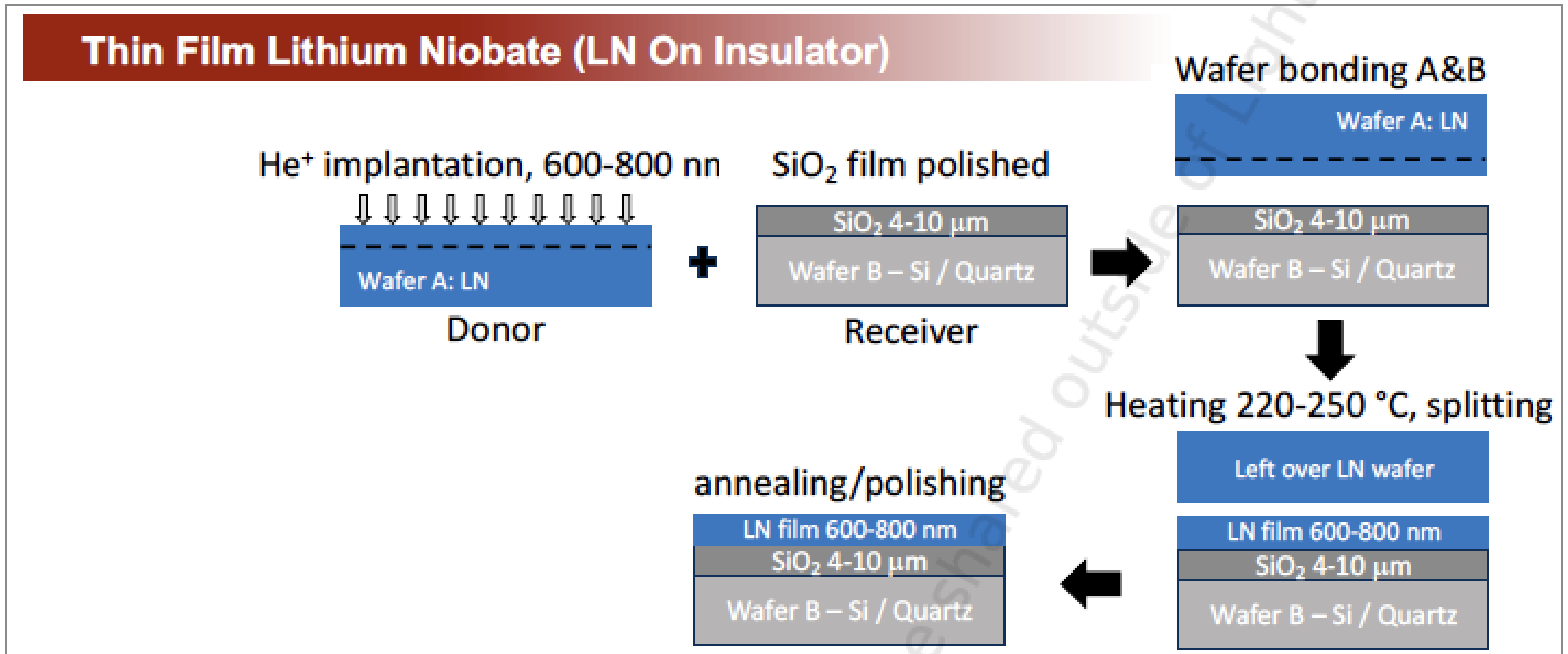


Long and short-term photostability *does not seem to be an issue* with LWLG EO chromophores when protected from O₂

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Silicon foundry compatible...

"DFM" & Ability To Scale Will Be Important For Any New Modulator Technology



Source: AFR presentation at OFC 2024

Large incumbent fabs Need to Adapt if TFLN is Going To Scale



Polymers are ideal for silicon foundries...

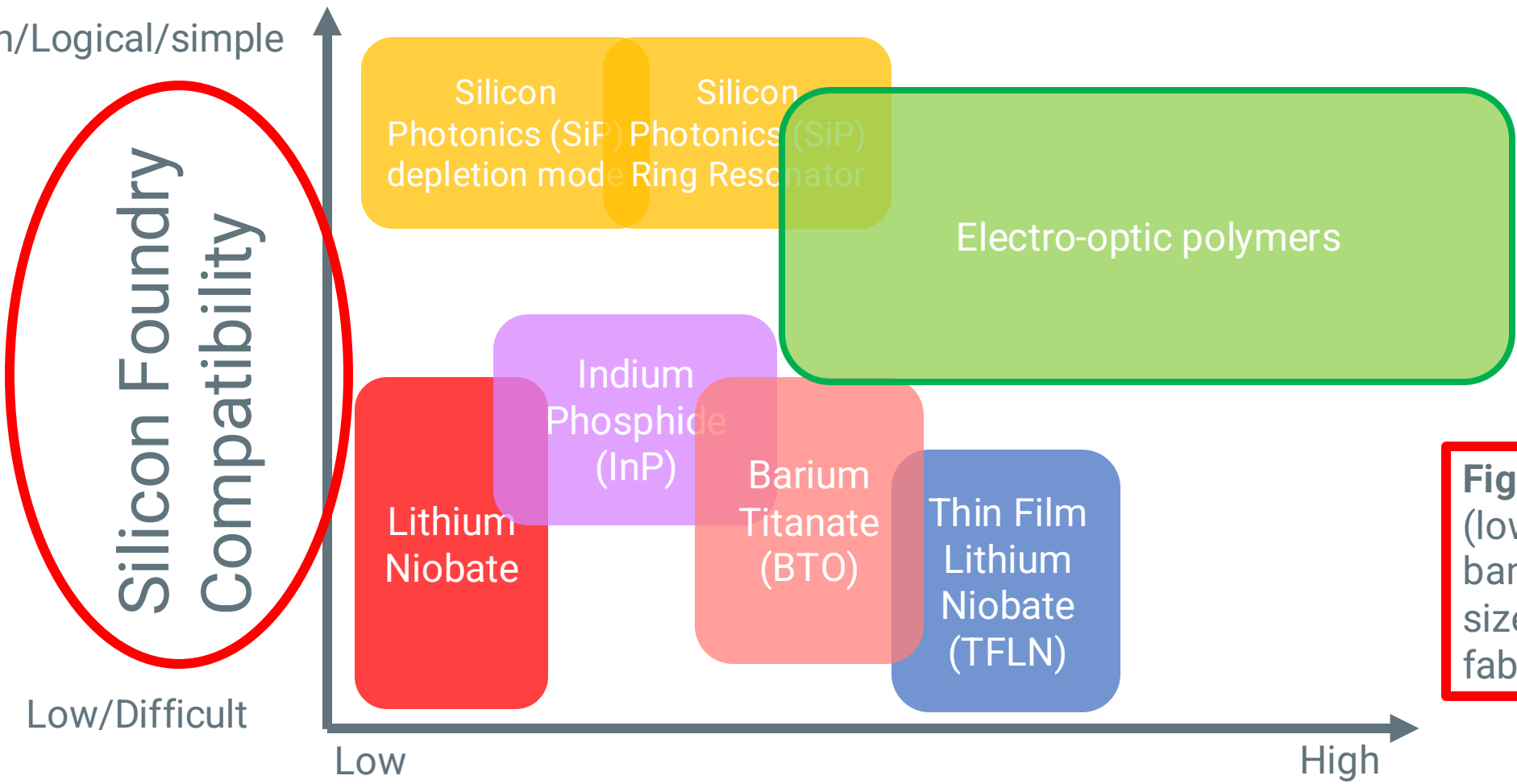


Figure of Merit
 (low V, high bandwidth, small size, ease of PDK, fabrication)

Polymer positioning for heterogeneous integration is aligns with silicon foundries very well

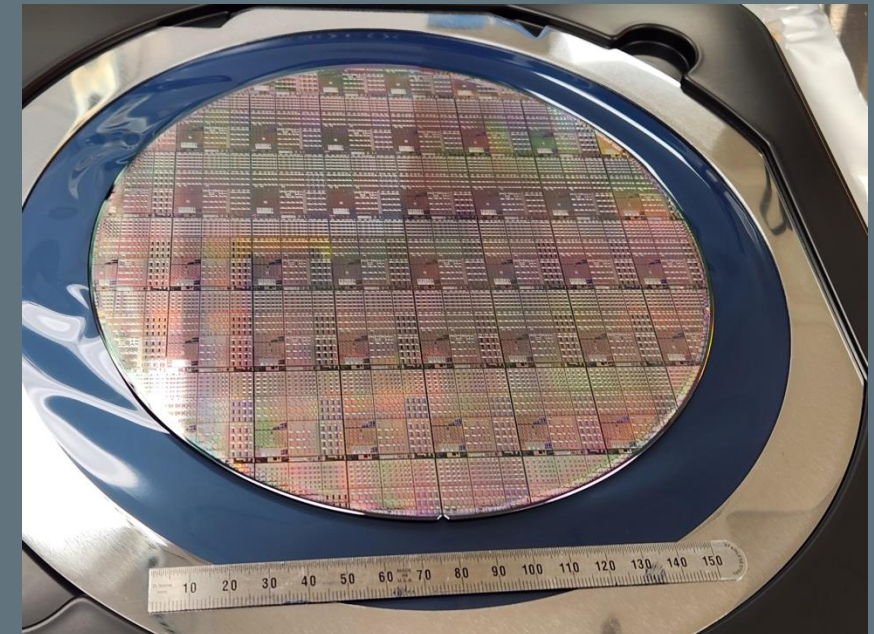


Leveraging silicon eco-system

- Polymers *can easily* fit into silicon foundries compared to legacy and new exotic materials
- Polymers *extend* silicon photonics performance
- Polymers *meet* the performance for datacenter applications

Commercial Foundry

200 mm Wafer



Modulators Produced at A Commercial Fab

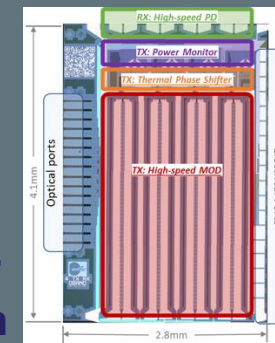
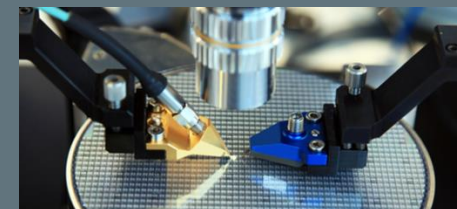
- Partnering with AMF to produce polymer slot modulators on 200mm silicon wafers



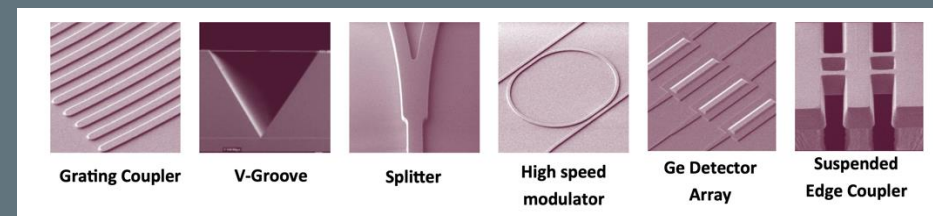
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A High Mix specialty commercial foundry for integrated optics manufacturing



AMF Transceiver Reference Design



Grating Coupler V-Groove Splitter High speed modulator Ge Detector Array Suspended Edge Coupler

Comprehensive PDK

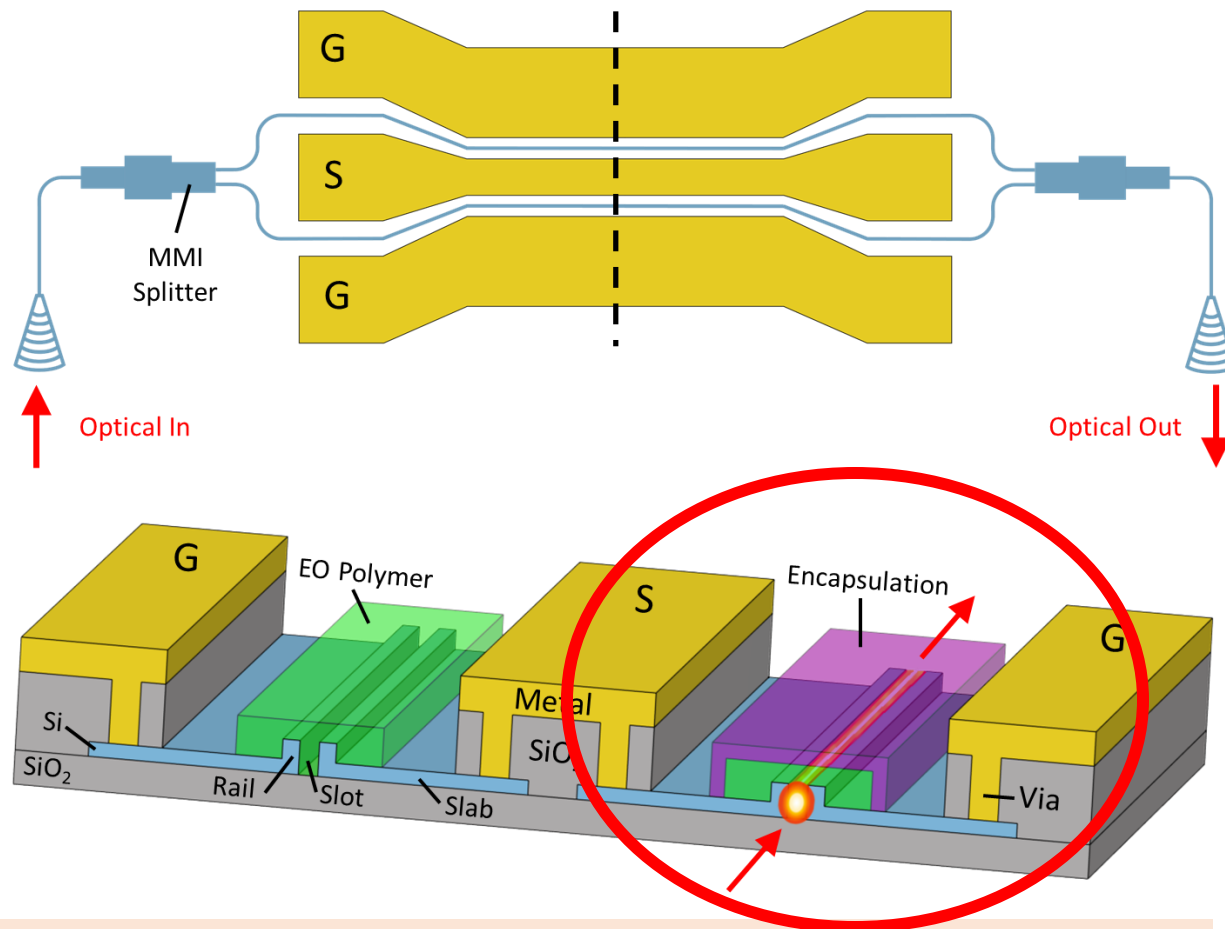


Integration of polymers with silicon...



Polymer Slot Modulator

Our polymers are *easily fabricated* in silicon fabs → ideal for heterogenous integration

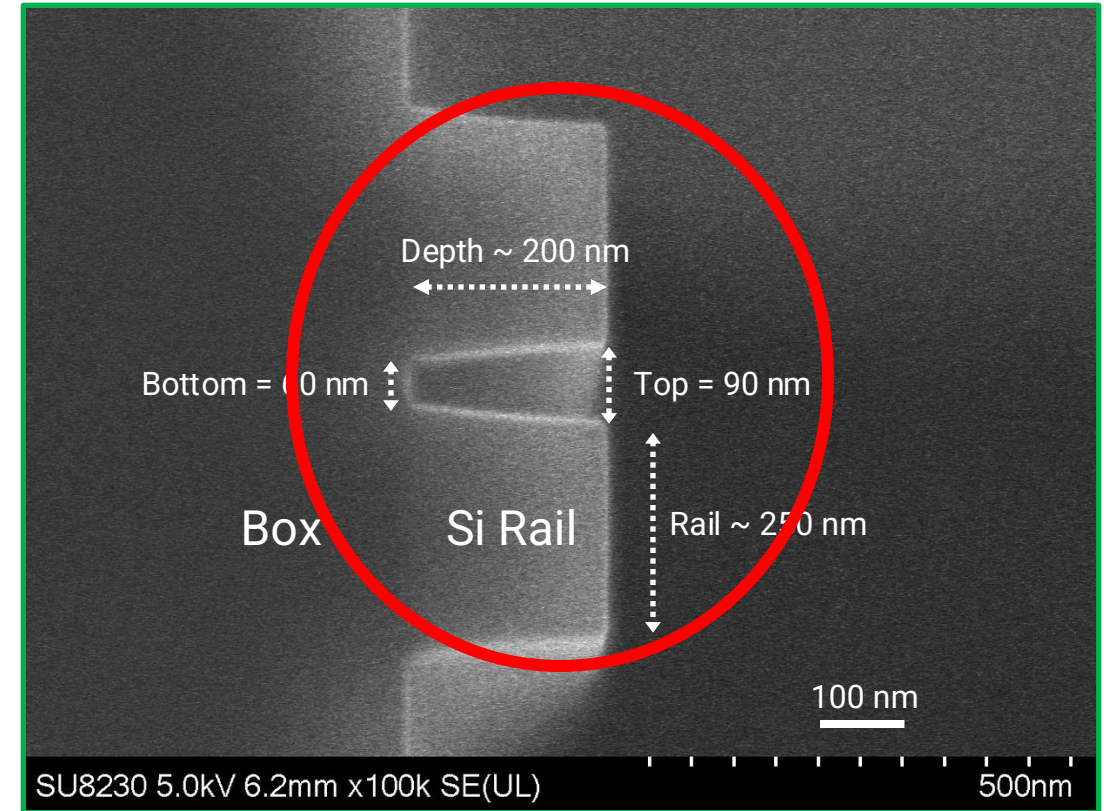
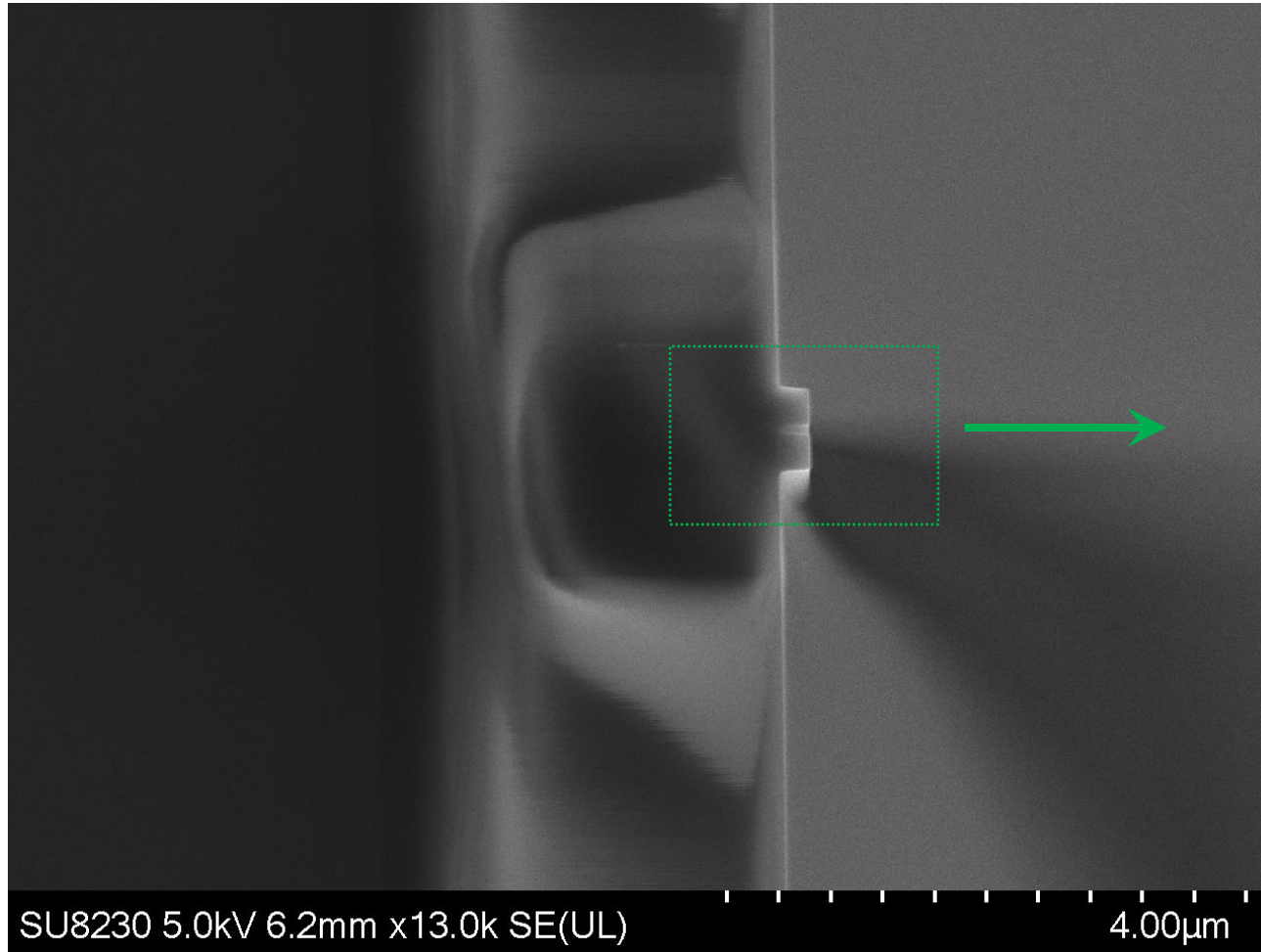


EO polymer integration onto silicon slots and wafers

- Heterogeneous integration of polymer on Silicon Photonics Platform
- Low drive voltage and small form factor for **low power consumption** and high density
- Very high bandwidth (**70-100GHz**)
- Fabricated onto **200mm** silicon wafers



Cross-section of fully etched slot waveguide

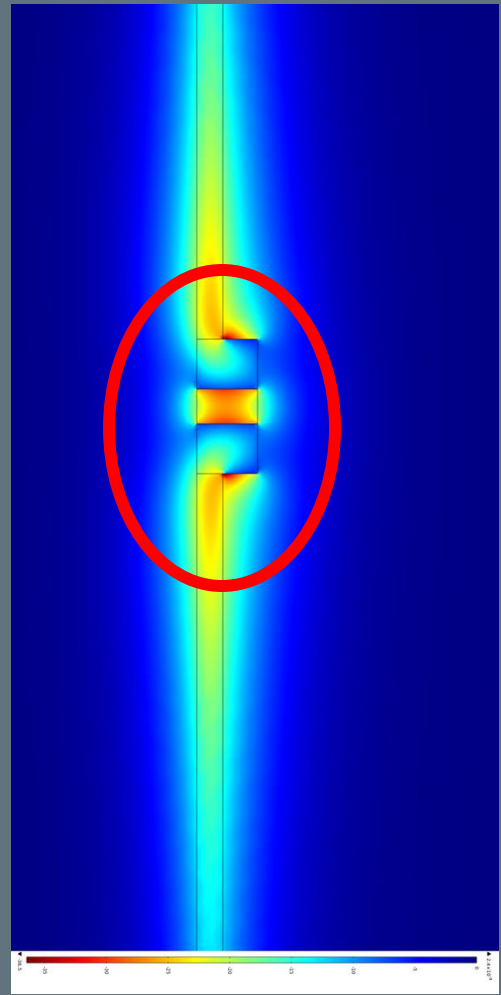
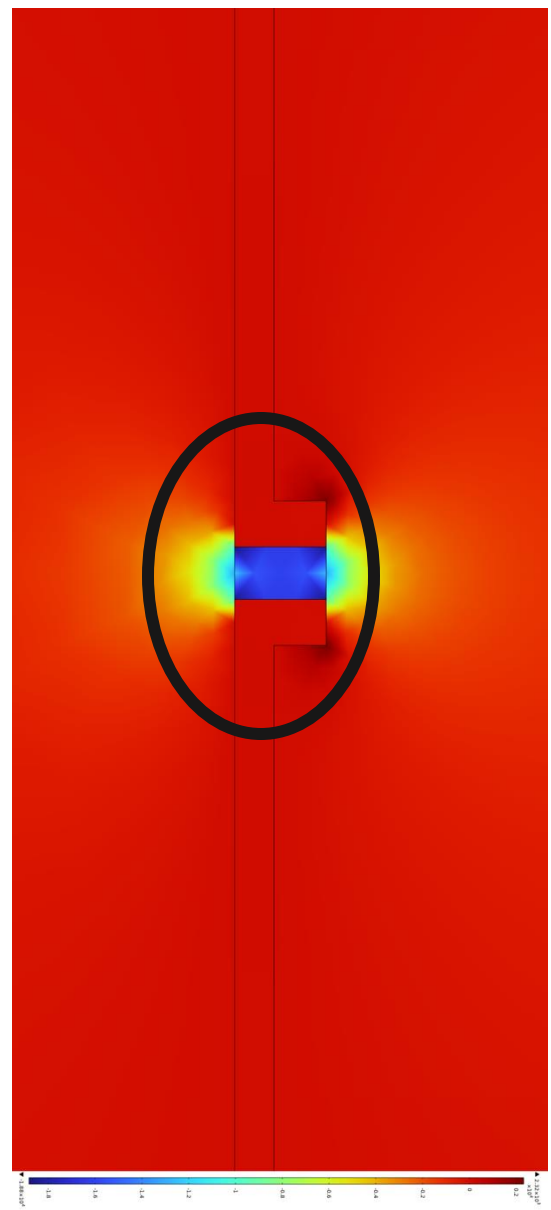


Clean, sharp silicon slots with width <math>< 100\text{ nm}</math>, sidewall angle >math>> 86^\circ</math>



Modeling EO polymers and silicon slots

E-field simulation

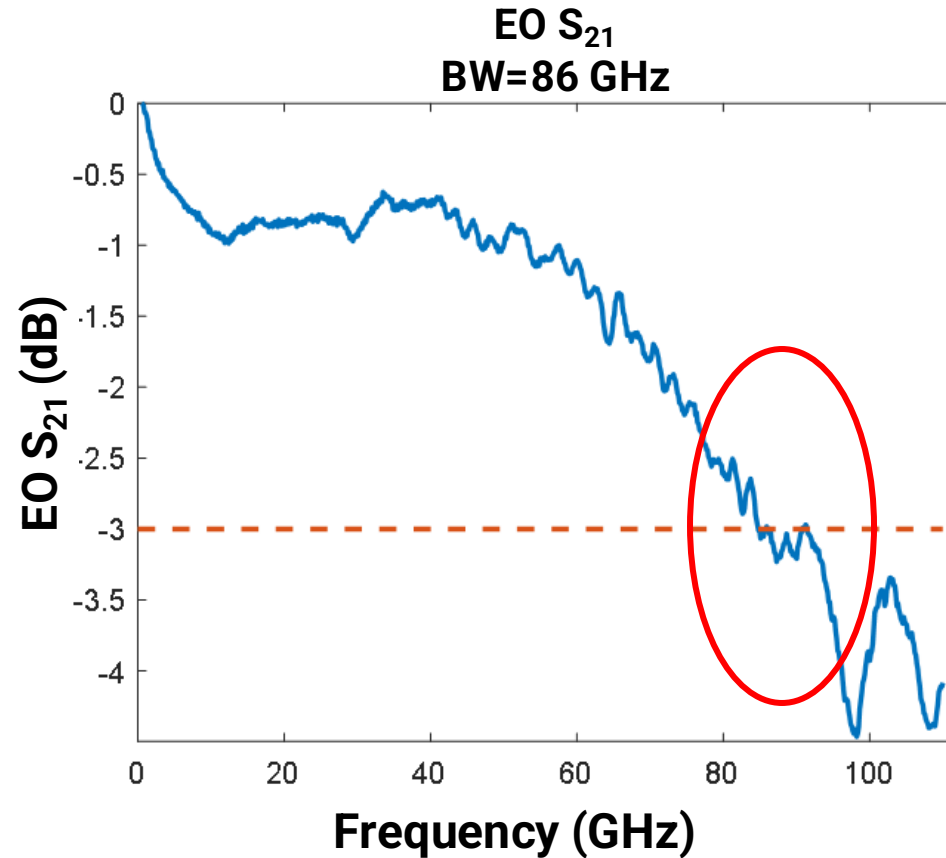


Optical mode simulation

High BW MZ Polymer Slot™ Modulator



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EO Bandwidth=86 GHz

EE Bandwidth > 110 GHz

Enables optical signaling
for >200Gbps lanes

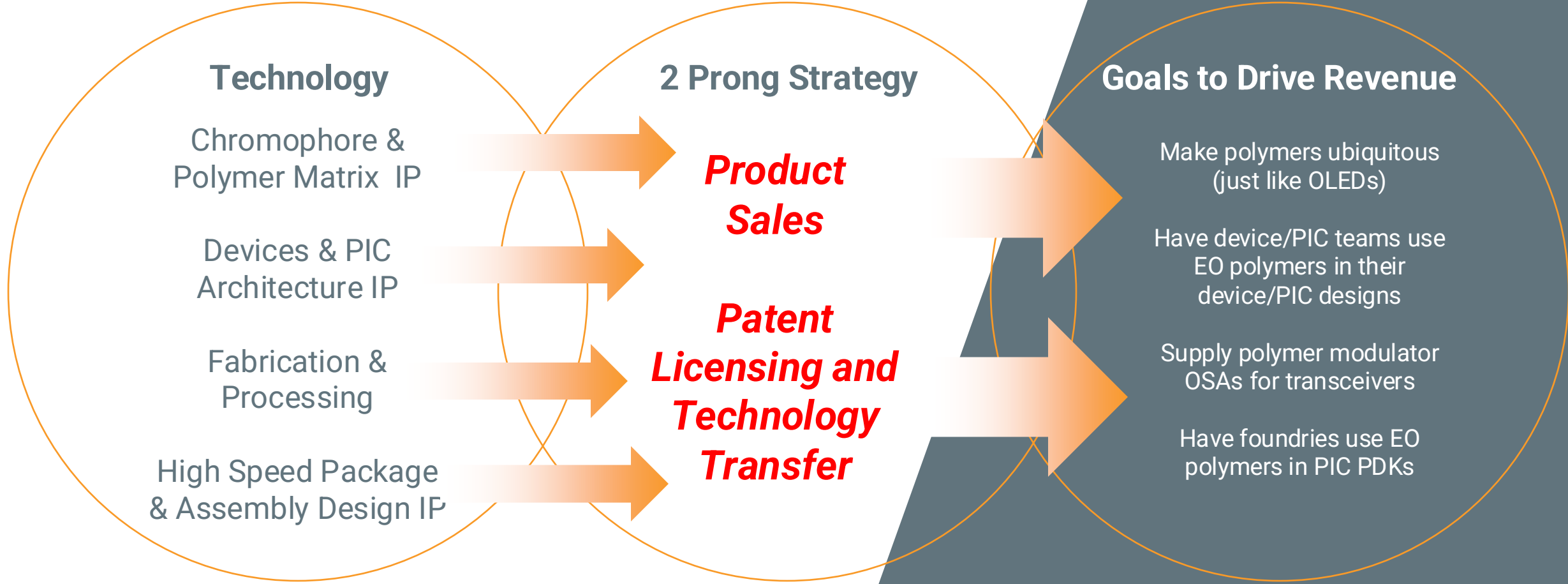
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Our business model is innovative...



Implementing a New Technology Platform

Licensing model provides inherent scalability



Patent licensing and product sales to drive revenue

Summary

- Our heterogeneous polymer/silicon platform is poised to *become ubiquitous* (just like OLED polymer material)
- We are open *to license our material*, do technology transfer, and to leverage your position in the marketplace...
- EO polymers continue to show technical progress with *polymer reliability and stability...200G lanes* and performance head-room to go 400G lanes and more...

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