OPTICAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS

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#### **Optical interfaces for optical systems**

- G.691 Optical interfaces for single-channel STM-64 and other SDH systems with optical amplifiers specifies optical systems at bit rates from 622 Mbit/s to 10 Gbit/s
- **G.693** Optical interfaces for intra-office applications specifies single-channel optical systems at bit rates of 10 Gbit/s and 40 Gbit/s, with and without a photonic cross-connect in the optical path
- **G.957** Optical interfaces for equipment and systems relating to the synchronous digital hierarchy specifies single-channel systems without optical amplifiers at bit rates from 155 Mbit/s to 2.5 Gbit/s
- **G.959.1 Optical transport networks physical layer inter- faces** specifies single-channel and DWDM optical systems with 16 channels for different bit rate classes up to 43 Gbit/s
- **G.695** Optical interfaces for coarse wavelength division multiplexing applications specifies CWDM systems with up to 12 channels with bit rates up to 2.5 Gbit/s
- **G.698.1** Multichannel DWDM applications with single channel optical interfaces specifies DWDM systems primarily intended for metro applications with channel bit rates up to 10 Gbit/s
- G.698.2 Amplified multichannel DWDM applications with single channel optical interfaces specifies DWDM systems primarily intended for metro applications which include optical amplifiers with channel bit rates up to 10 Gbit/s

### **Spectral grids for WDM**

- G.694.1 Spectral grids for WDM applications: DWDM frequency grid specifies a frequency grid which supports a variety of DWDM channel spacings ranging from 12.5 GHz to 100 GHz (and wider)
- G.694.2 Spectral grids for WDM applications: CWDM wavelength grid specifies a CWDM grid with channel spacing of 20 nm

#### **Optical safety aspects**

G.664 Optical safety procedures and requirements for optical transport systems provides guidelines and requirements to provide optically safe working conditions for equipment in restricted and controlled locations

#### **Submarine optical systems**

**G.973, G.977** (repeaterless and optically amplified submarine cable systems) specify the guidelines for the characteristics and performances of systems, amplifiers, cables and branching units

## ITU-T Recommendations on optical transmission enable:

- support for the transport of all the types of signals (voice, data, video), protocols (FR, ATM, SDH, IP, etc.) and services
- a Quality of Service in accordance with the end-to-end performance objectives recommended, for example, in G.826 and in G.829
- the possibility of choosing the most appropriate optical system for a given bit rate, fibre type, length of link, channel count, type of installation (terrestrial, submarine)
- the flexibility of using, in most cases, terminal equipment from different manufacturers in the same system, providing operational and economic advantages

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