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#### **Optical interfaces**

**G.691 –** "Optical interfaces for single-channel STM-64, STM-256 and other SDH systems with optical amplifiers" specifies optical systems at bit rates from 622 Mbit/s to 10 Gbit/s

**G.692 –** "Optical interfaces for multichannel systems with optical amplifiers" describes characteristics of systems with bit rates up to 2.5 Gbit/s

**G.693 –** "Optical interfaces for intra-office systems" specifies single-channel optical systems at bit rates 10 Gbit/s and 40 Gbit/s, with and without photonic cross-connect in the optical path

**G.957 –** "Optical interfaces for equipments and systems relating to the synchronous digital hierarchy" specifies single-channel systems at bit rates from 155 Mbit/s to 2.5 Gbit/s

**G.959.1** – "Optical transport network physical layer interfaces" specifies single-channel and up to 16 channels optical systems for different bit rate classes up to 10 Gbit/s

### Spectral grids

**G.694.1 –** "Spectral grids for WDM applications: DWDM frequency grid" specifies a frequency grid which supports a variety of DWDM channel spacing ranging from 12.5 GHZ to 100 GHz (and wider)

**G.694.2** – "Spectral grids for WDM applications: CWDM wavelength grid" specifies a CWDM channel spacing of 20 nm

#### 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 –** specify the guidelines for the definition of systems, amplifiers, cables and branching units characteristics and performances of repeaterless and optically amplified submarine cable systems

## ITU-T Recs 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 e.g. 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 the 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 economical advantages

# Worldwide optical transmission revenue (Tota)



Source: Gartner Dataquest Worldwide Optical Transmission Systems Market Share and Forecast, 1996-2005

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