

Quantum Communication

from a Telecom Point of View

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Classical Communication



Cryptography



Telecom Viewpoint

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Space Communication

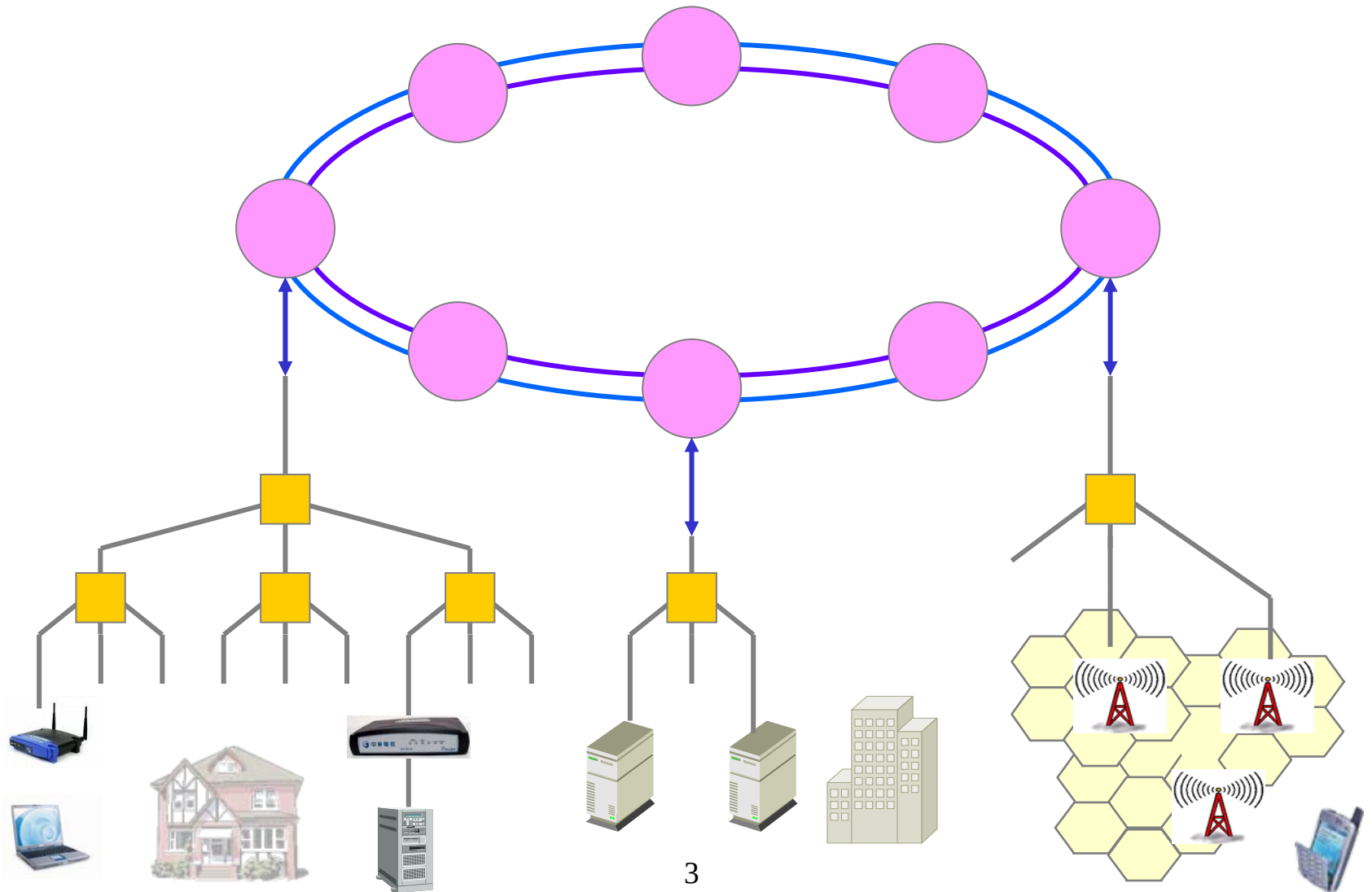


Telecom Viewpoint

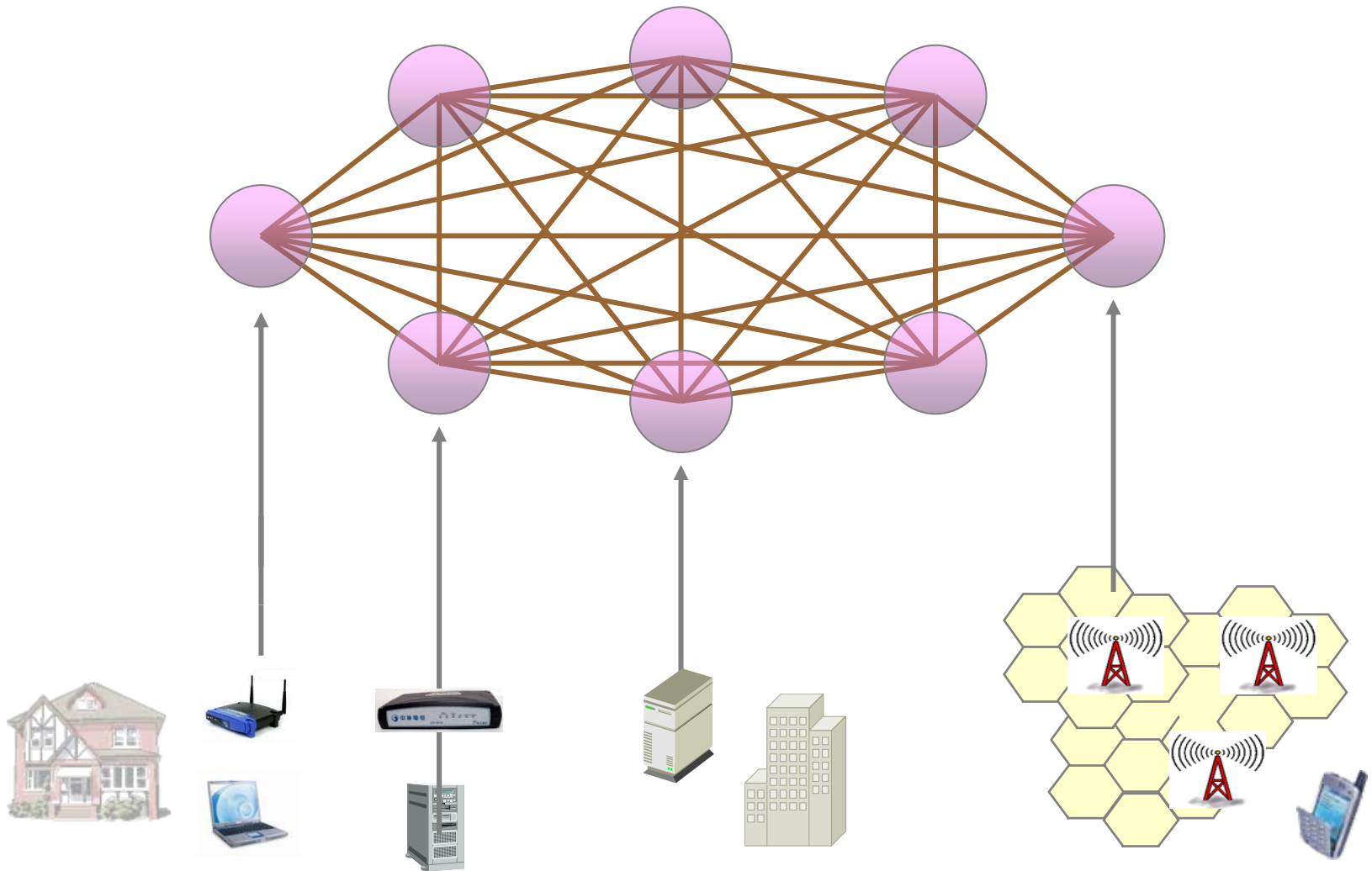


Summary

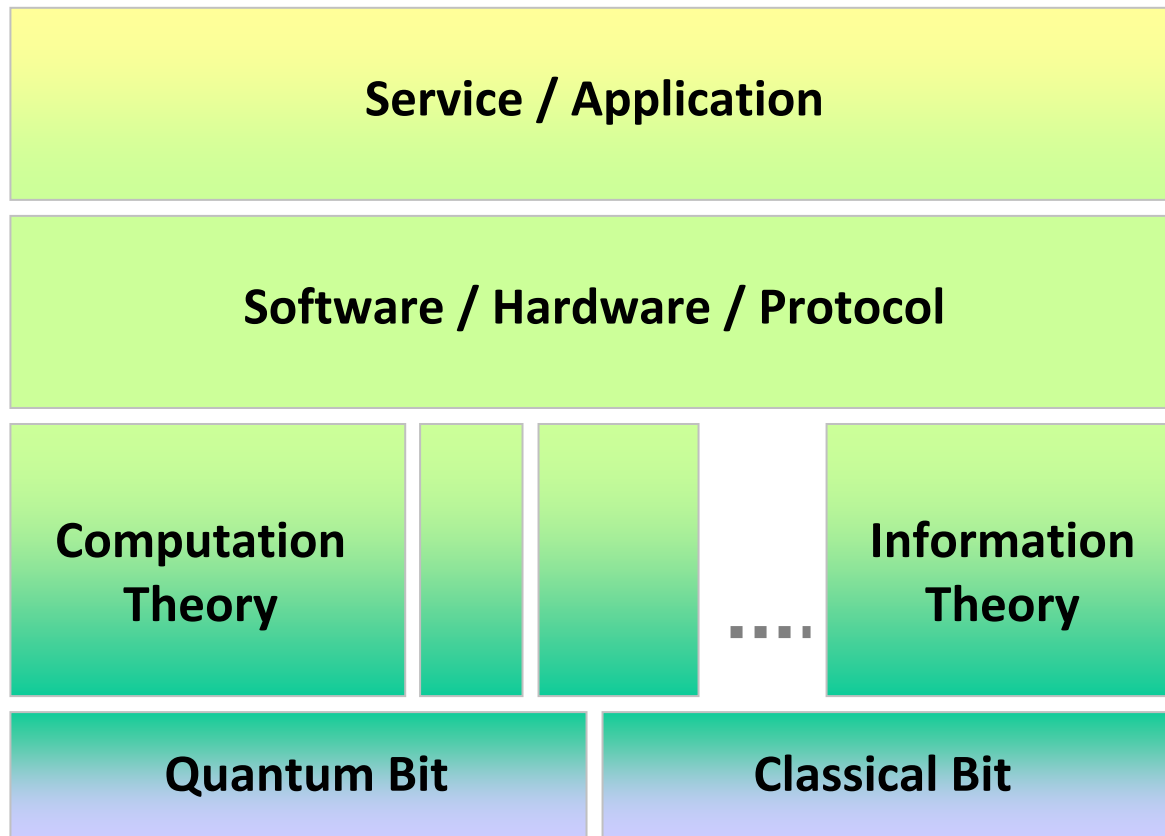
What a Telecom Core Network looks like ...



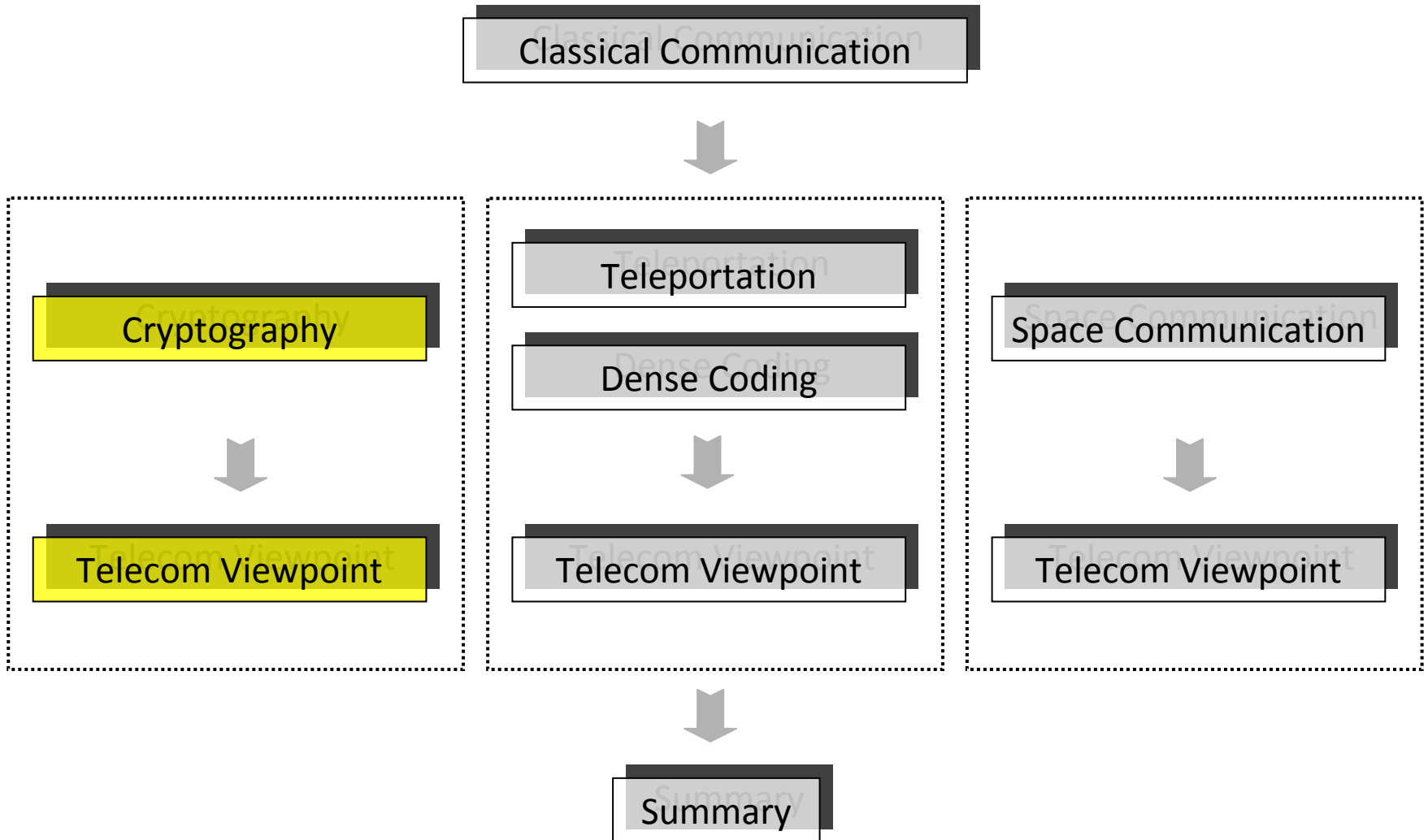
A Telecom Core Network is **NOT** something like



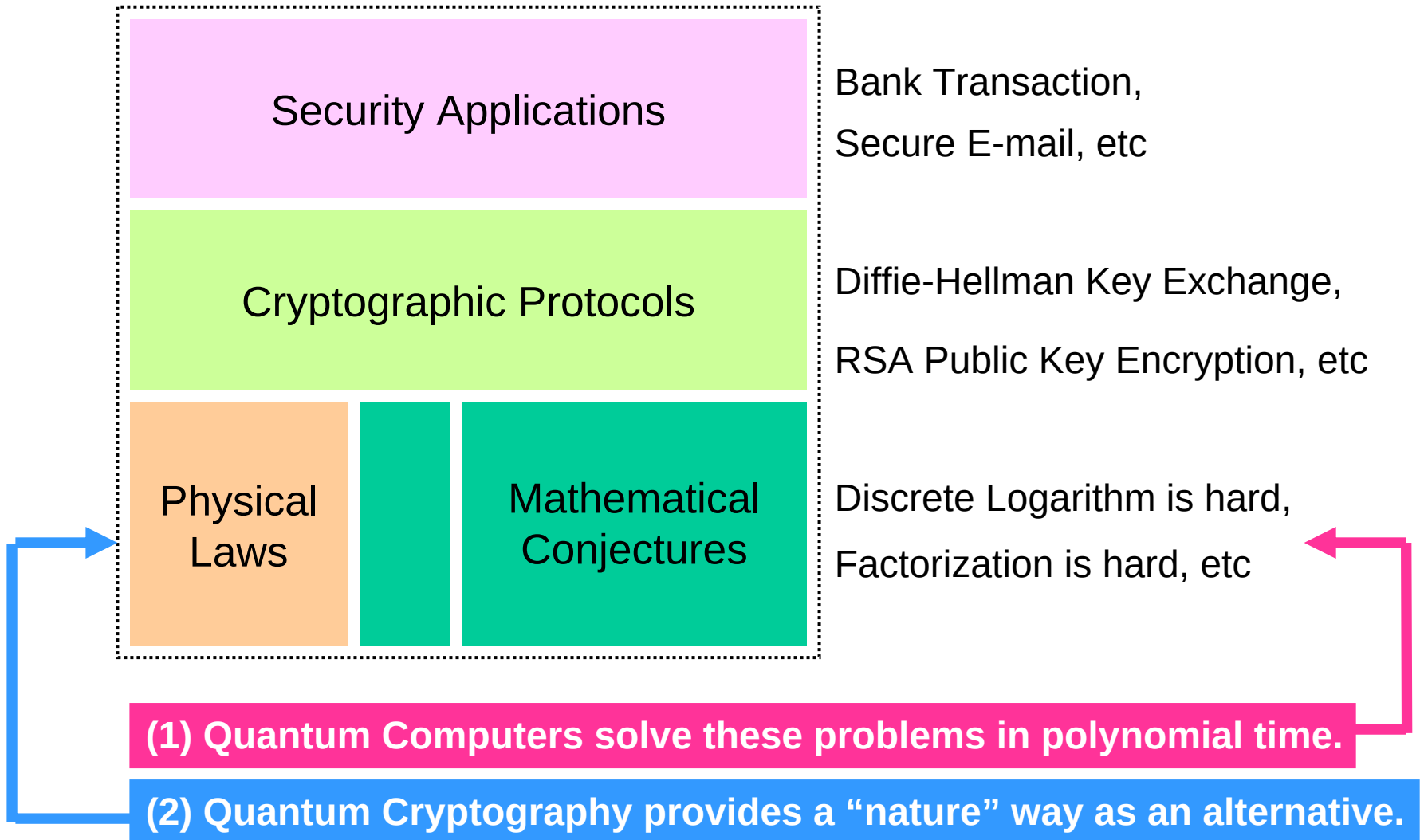
Quantum Bit as a New Information Carrier



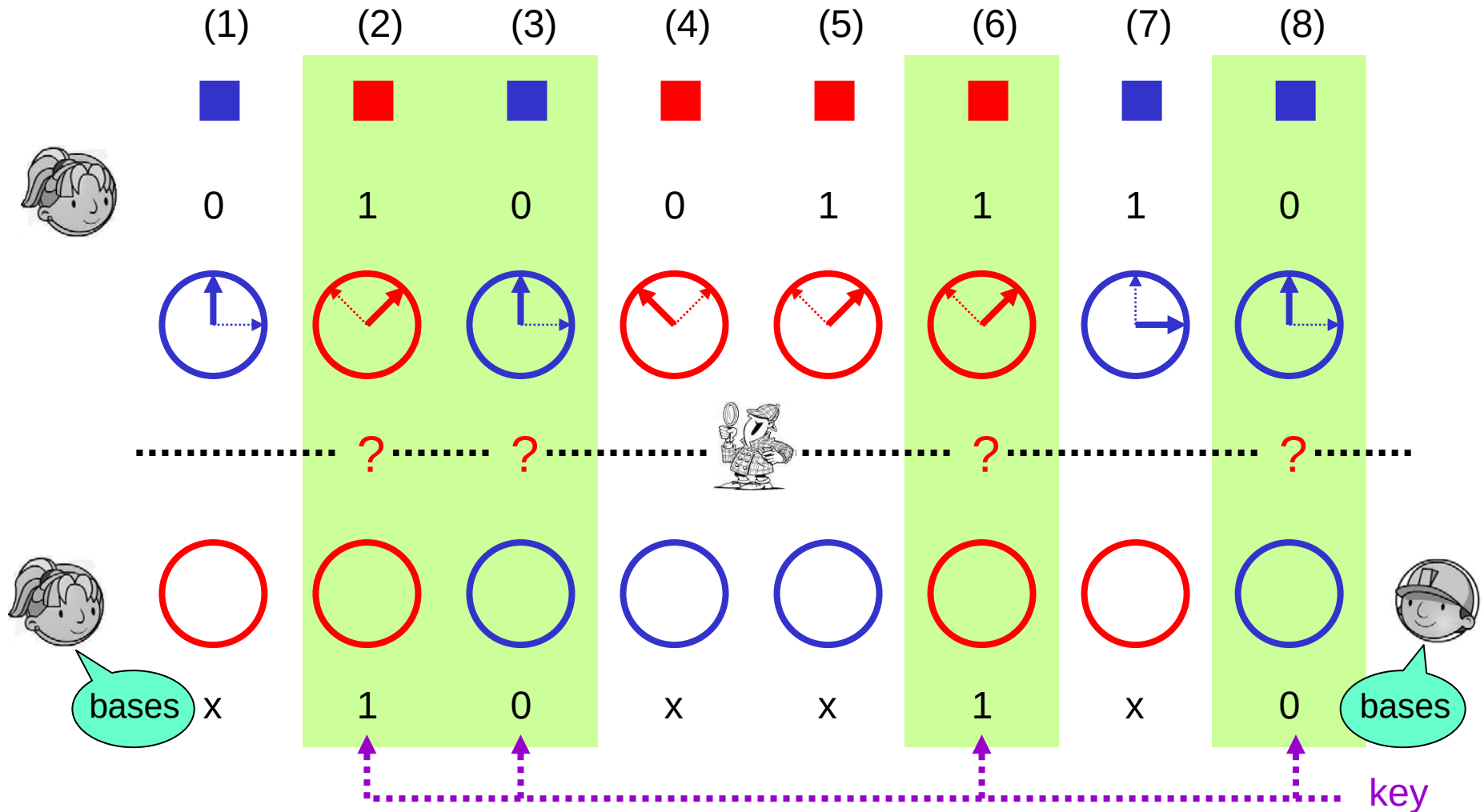
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Quantum Cryptography

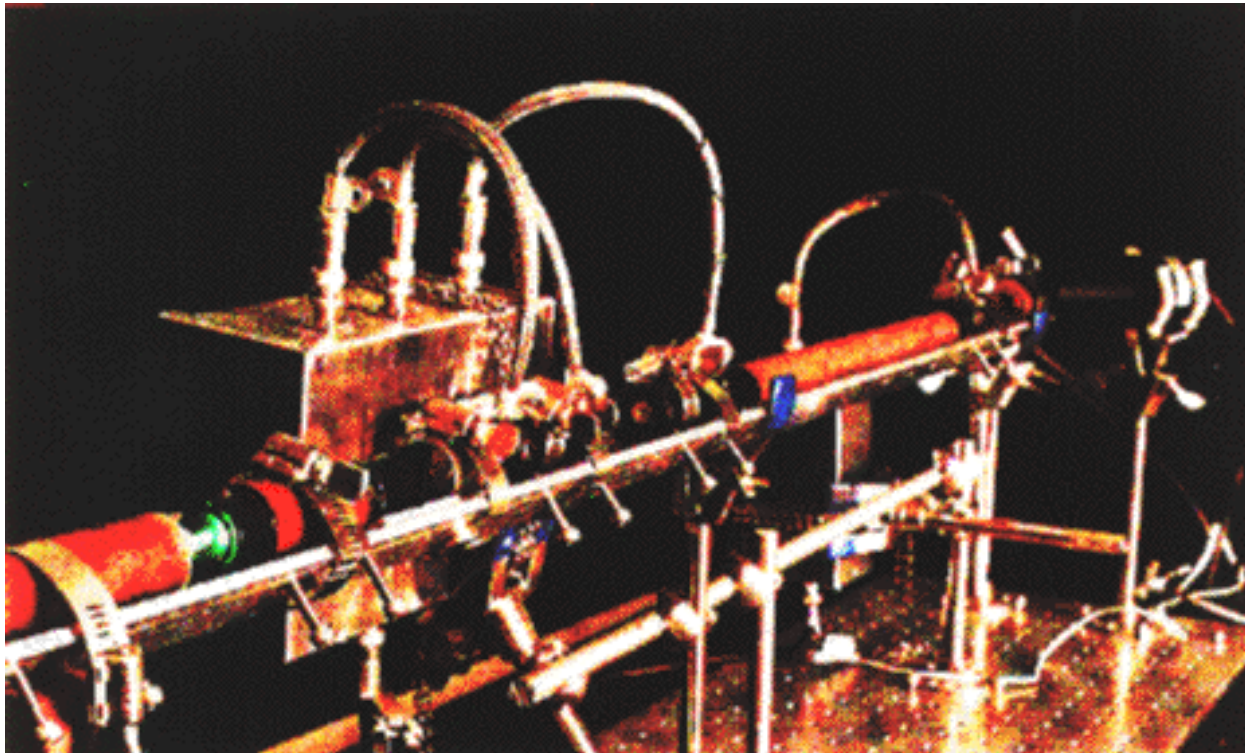


The First Quantum Cryptographic Protocol -- BB84



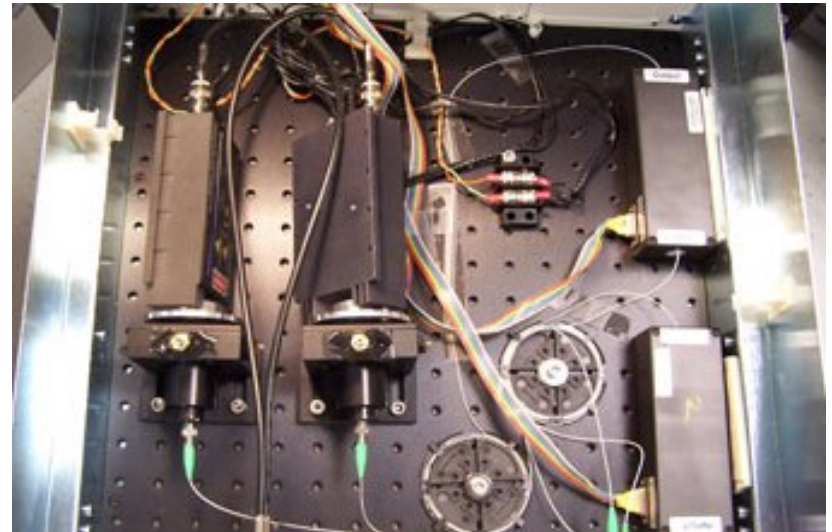
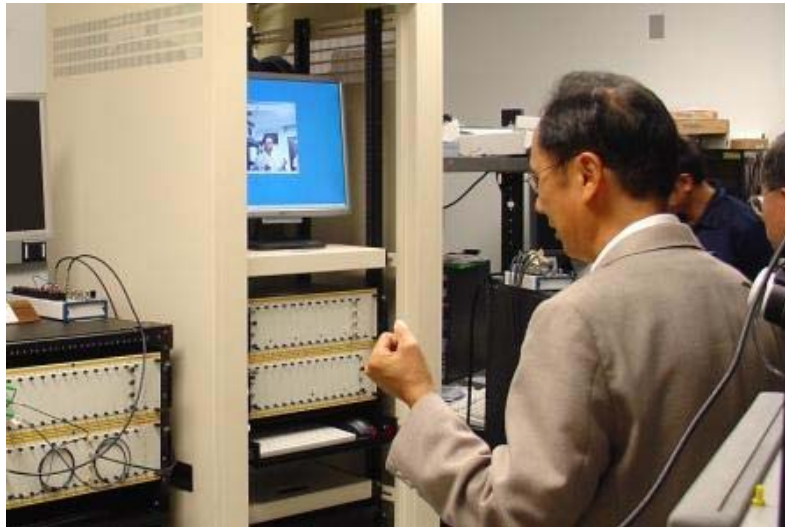
Physical Implementation

- Physical implementation at IBM



NIST ITL, US.

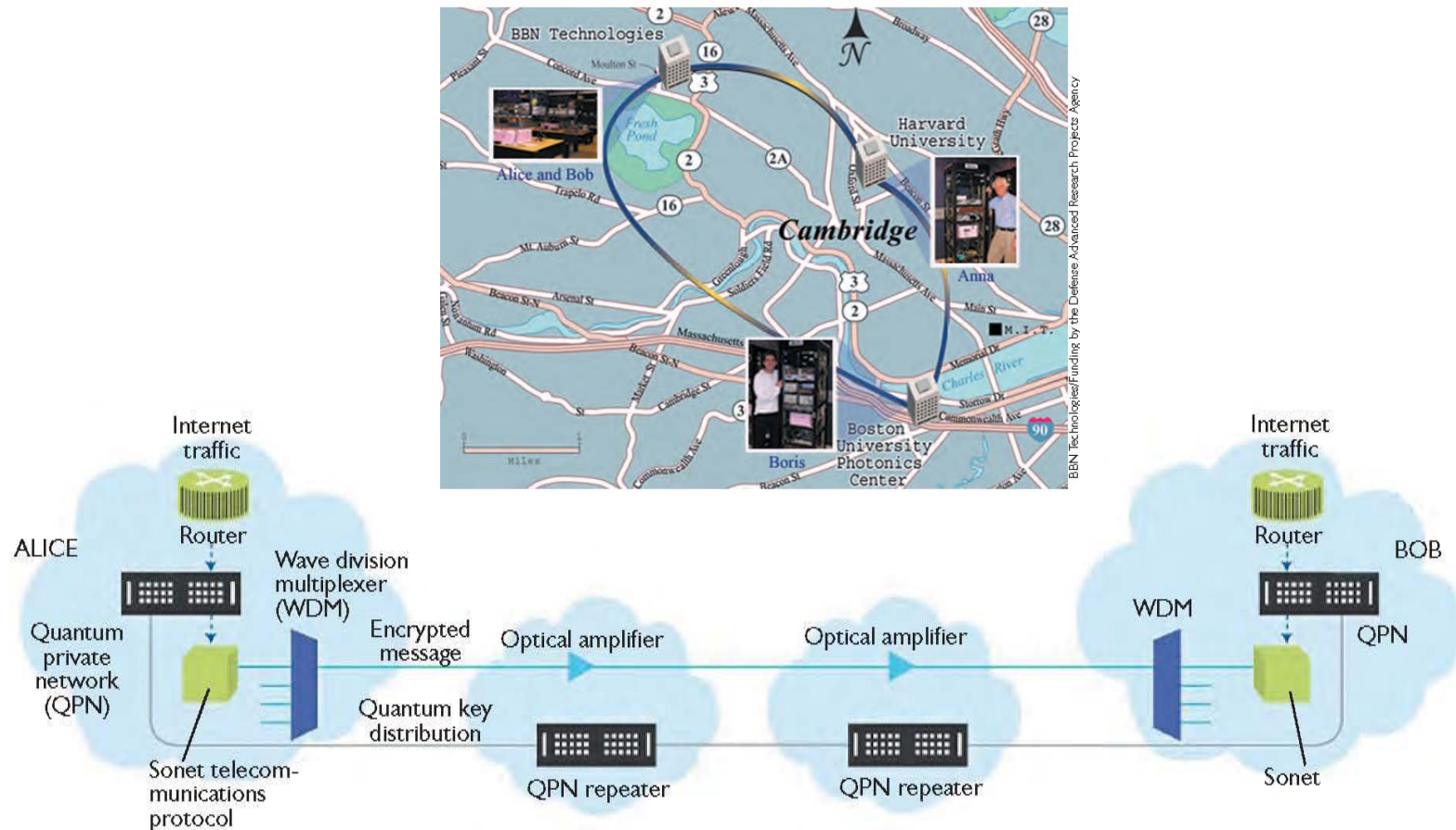
- Encrypted Video Transmission, using One-time Pad.



- Detection stage of the NIST prototype quantum key distribution (QKD) system: Photons are “up-converted” from 1310 to 710 nm by one of the two NIST-designed converters at right, then sent to one of two commercial silicon avalanche photo diode units to the left.

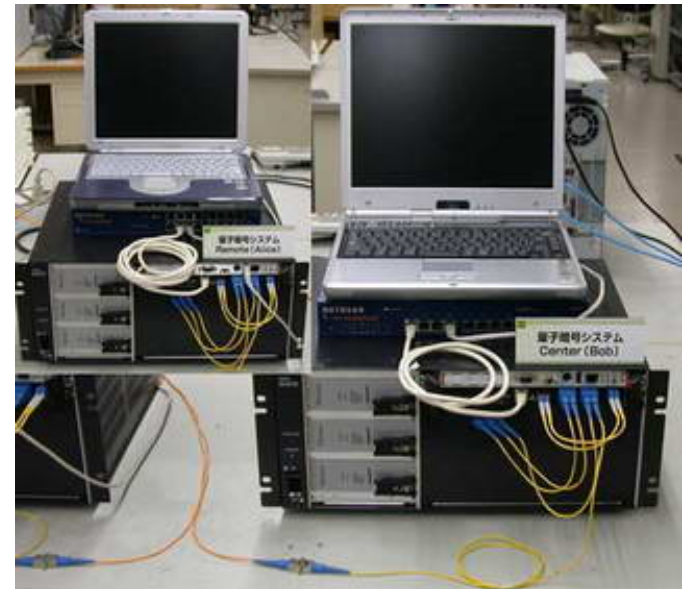
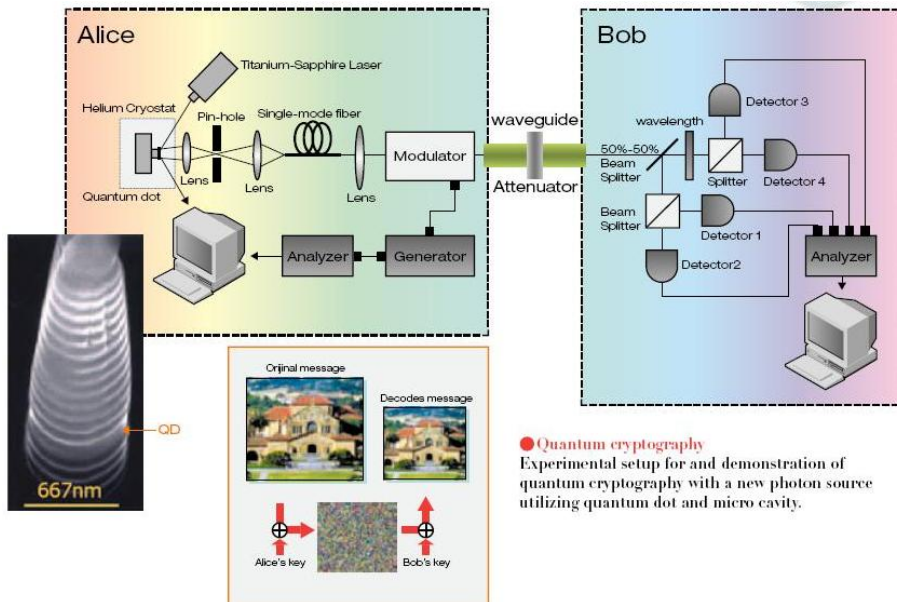
DARPA, US.

- The world's first quantum cryptographic network.



JAPAN

- NTT Basic Research Lab.
- Mitsubishi, NEC, IIS, and U. of Tokyo.



SECOQC, Europe

QBB-Link



QBB-Node Module interfaces with different QBB-Link technologies:

- Coherent One Way System 
- One Way Weak Pulse System 
- Continuous Variables 
- Entangled Photons 
- Autocompensating Plug&Play 

to Application

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QBB-Node Module

Public Channel

Quantum Channels

QBB-Link 1

QBB-Link 2

QBB-Link 3

QBB-Link 4

QBB-Link 5



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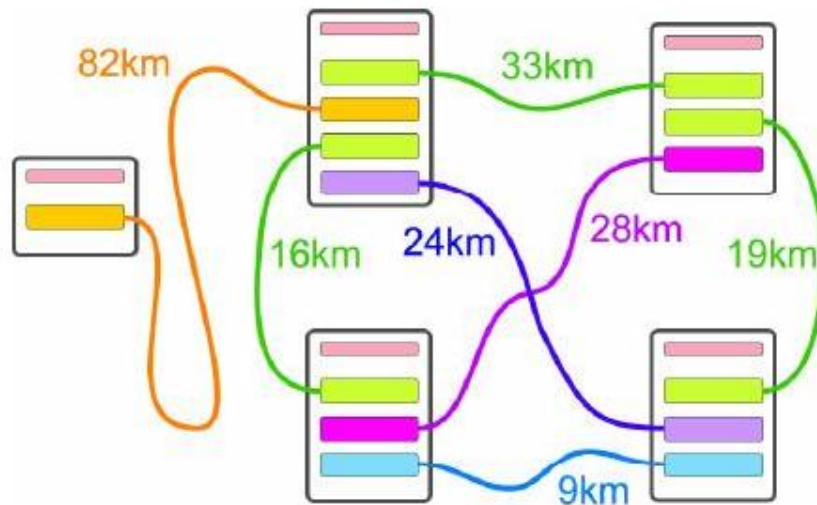
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SECOQC, Europe

QBB Demonstrator in Vienna

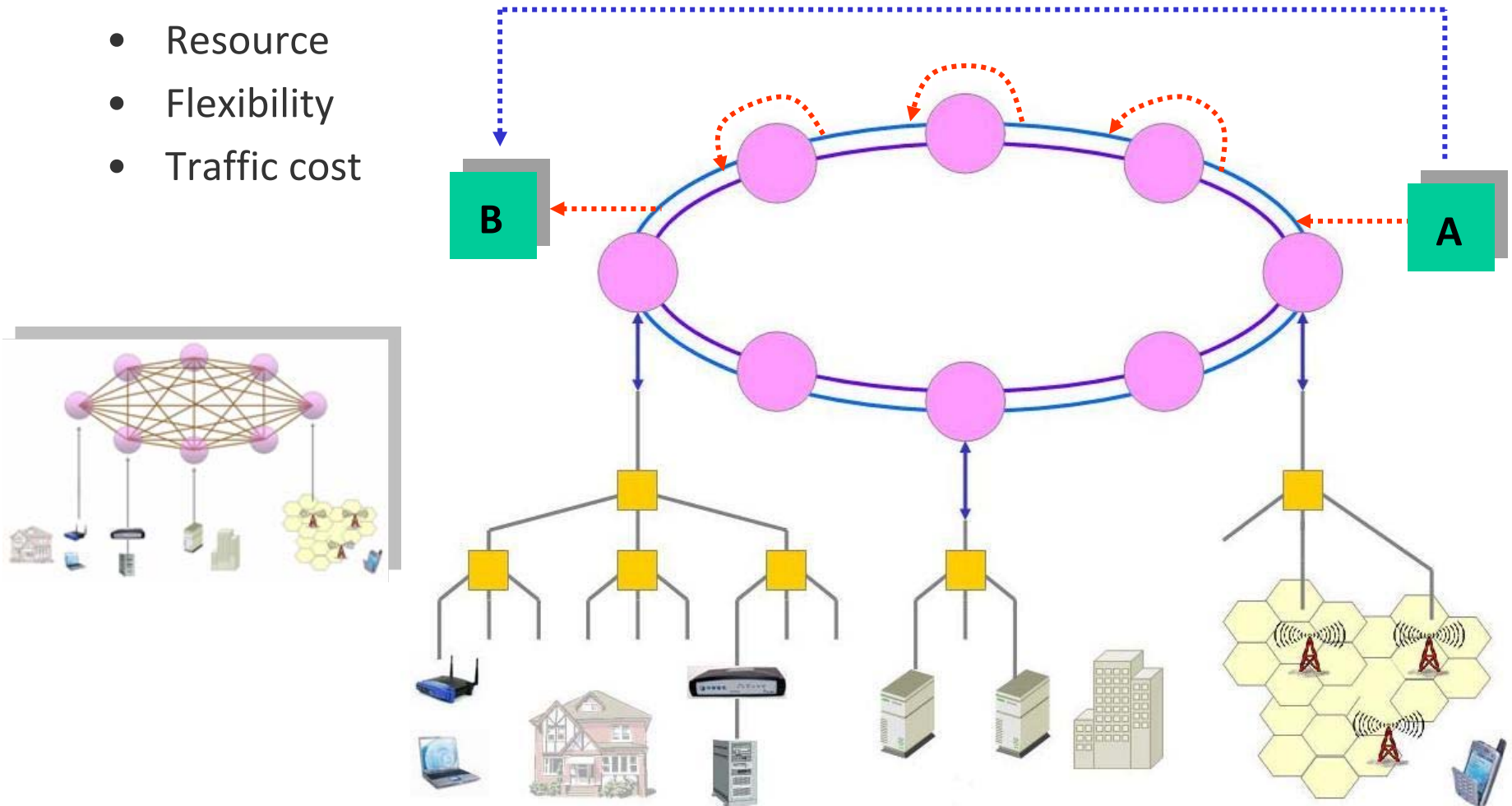


- 5 QKD Technologies
- 5 QBB-Nodes / 7 QBB-Links
- Deployment starts in mid 2007
- Ready in mid 2008

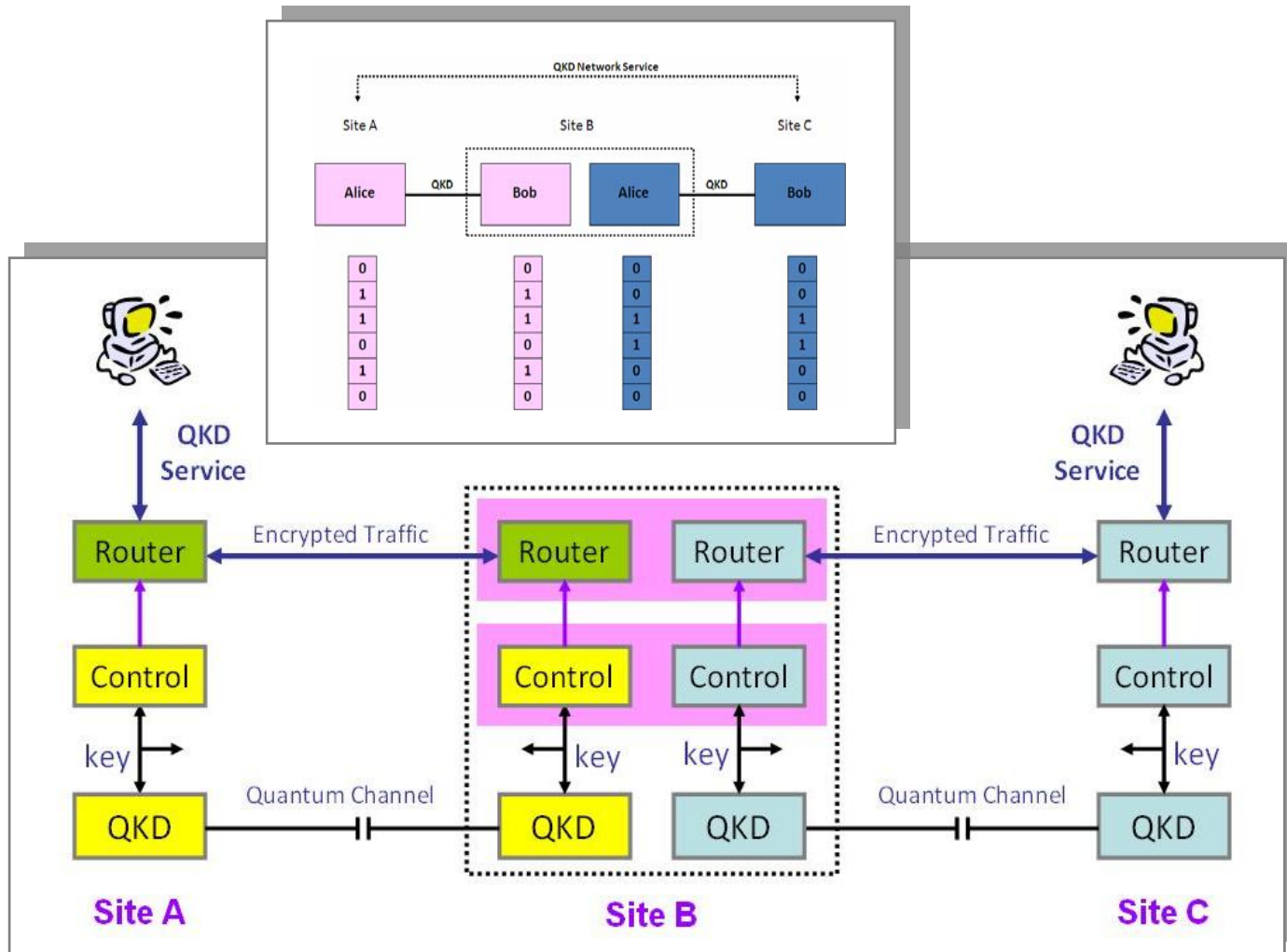


Telecom Point of View

- Resource
- Flexibility
- Traffic cost

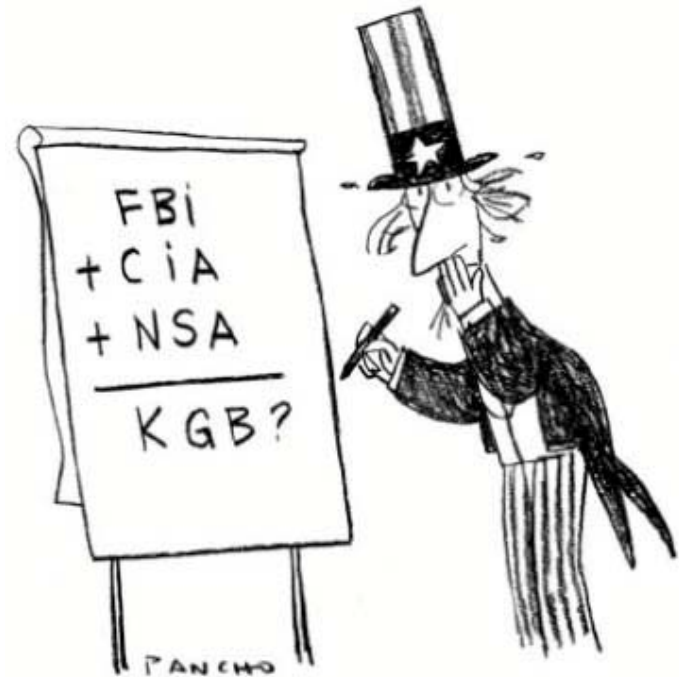


QKD Service Network

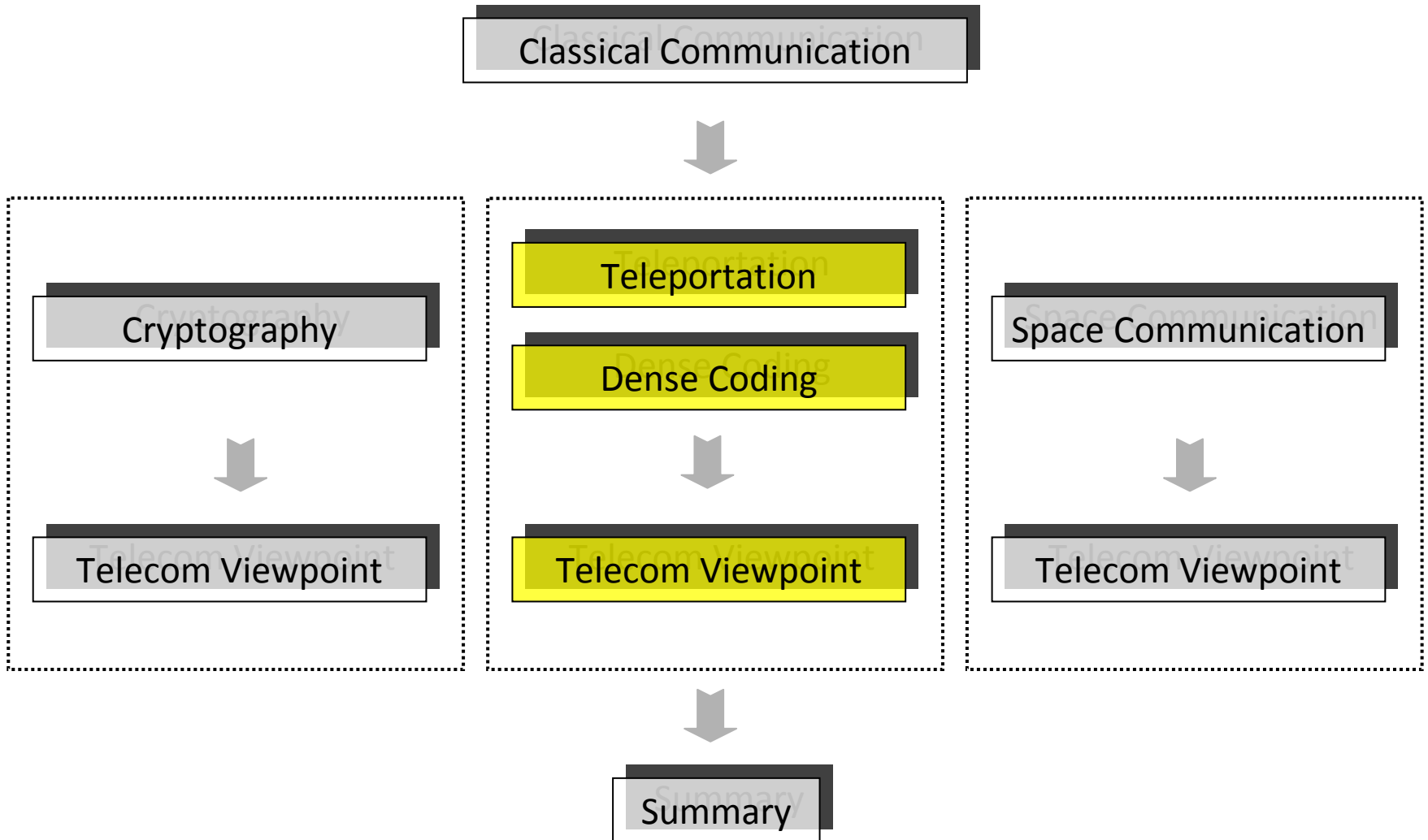


Target Customers

- For those who are paranoid ... ☺



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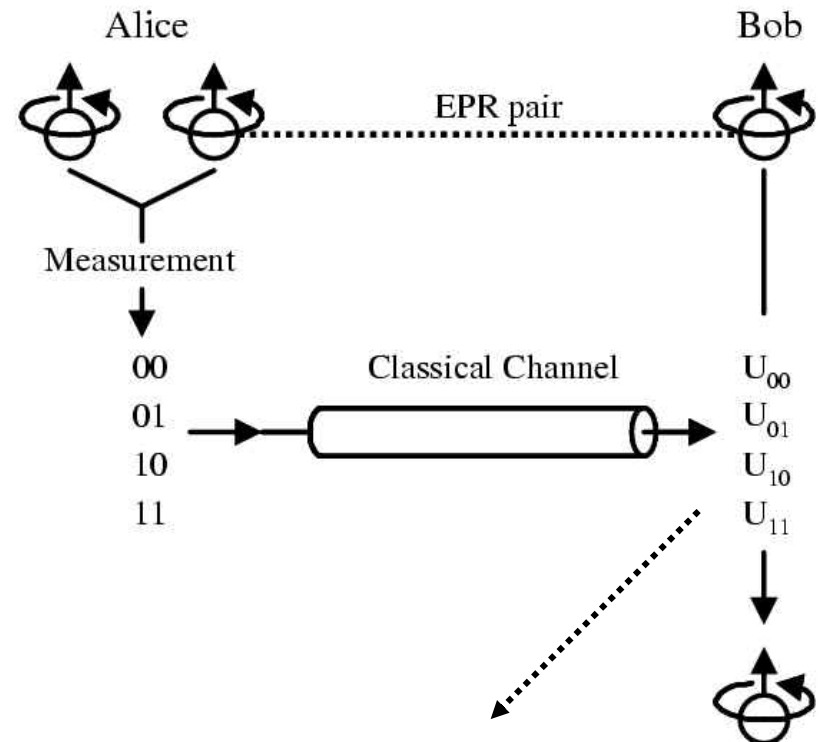




Beam me up, Scotty !

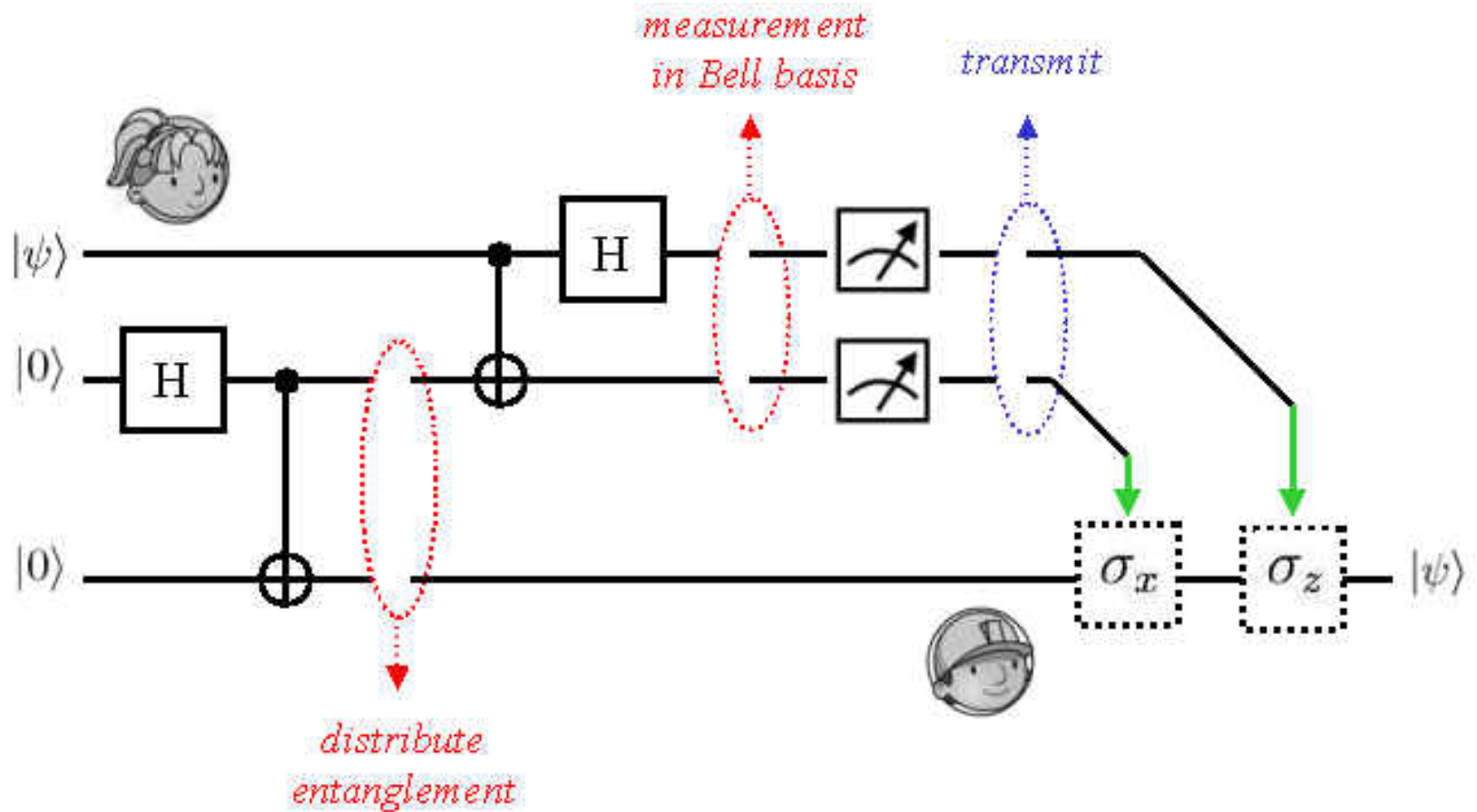
Teleportation

- Alice and Bob share an EPR pair, A and B
- Alice takes a measurement on the unknown qubit C and A, with respect to the Bell basis
- Alice sends Bob the result which is encoded by two classical bits
- Bob applies one of the four operations to recover the quantum state



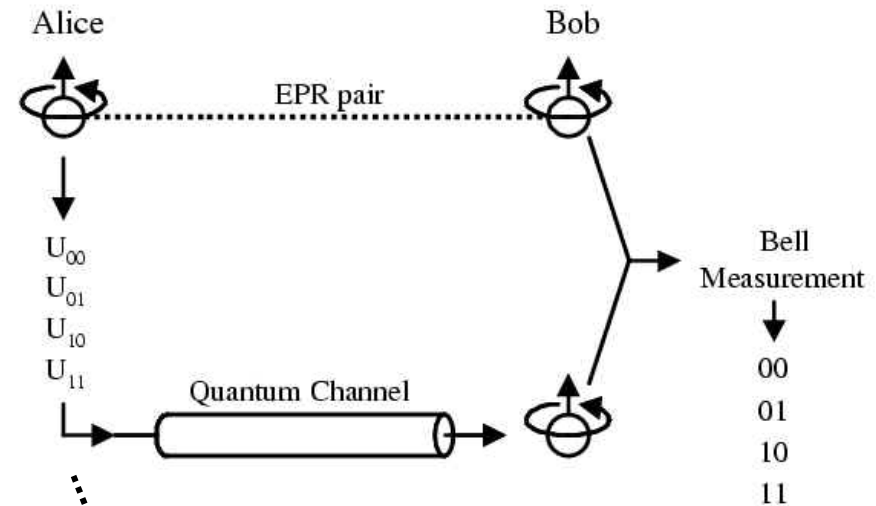
$$U_{00} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U_{01} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U_{10} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad U_{11} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Circuits for Teleportation



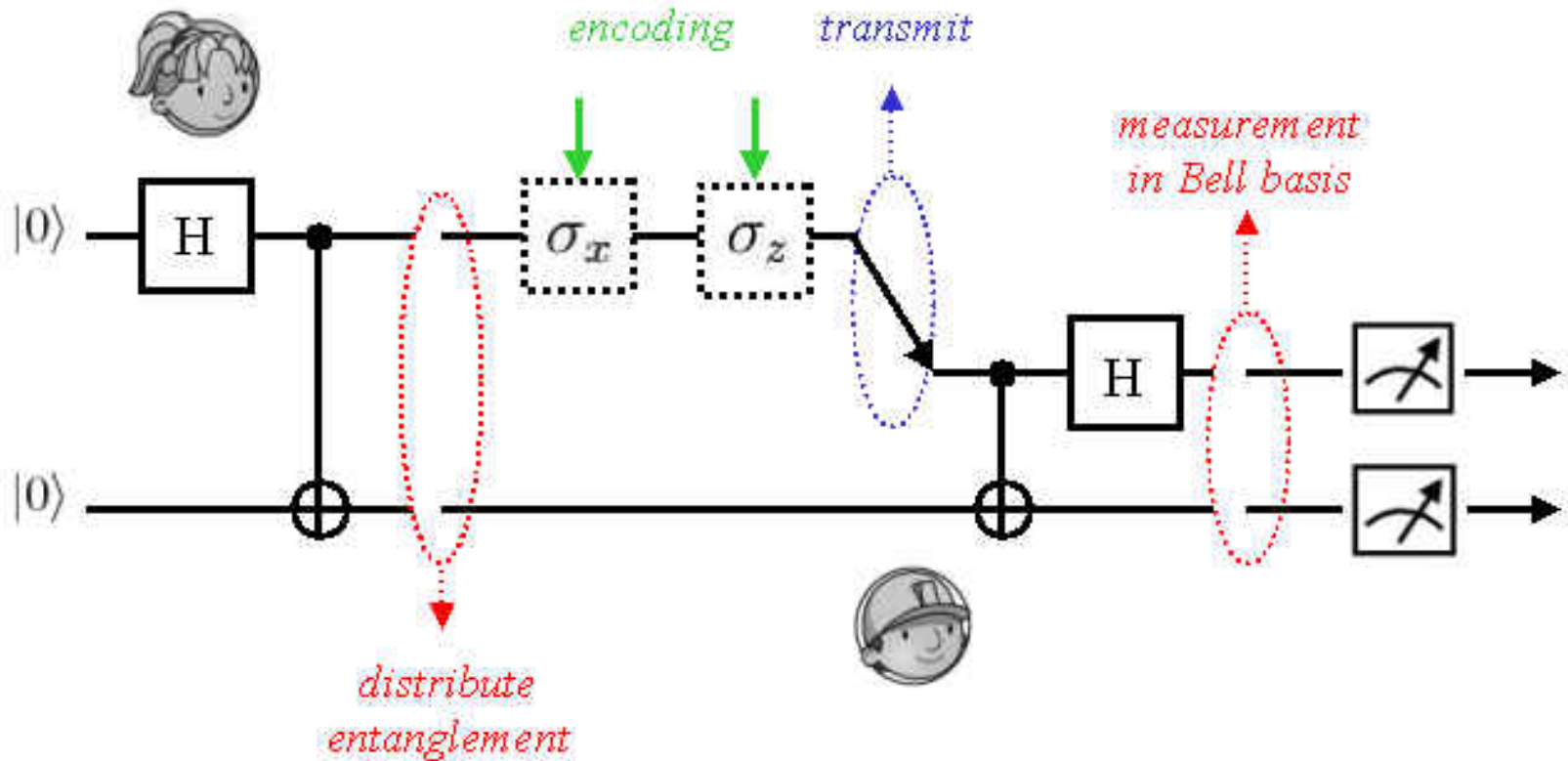
Dense Coding

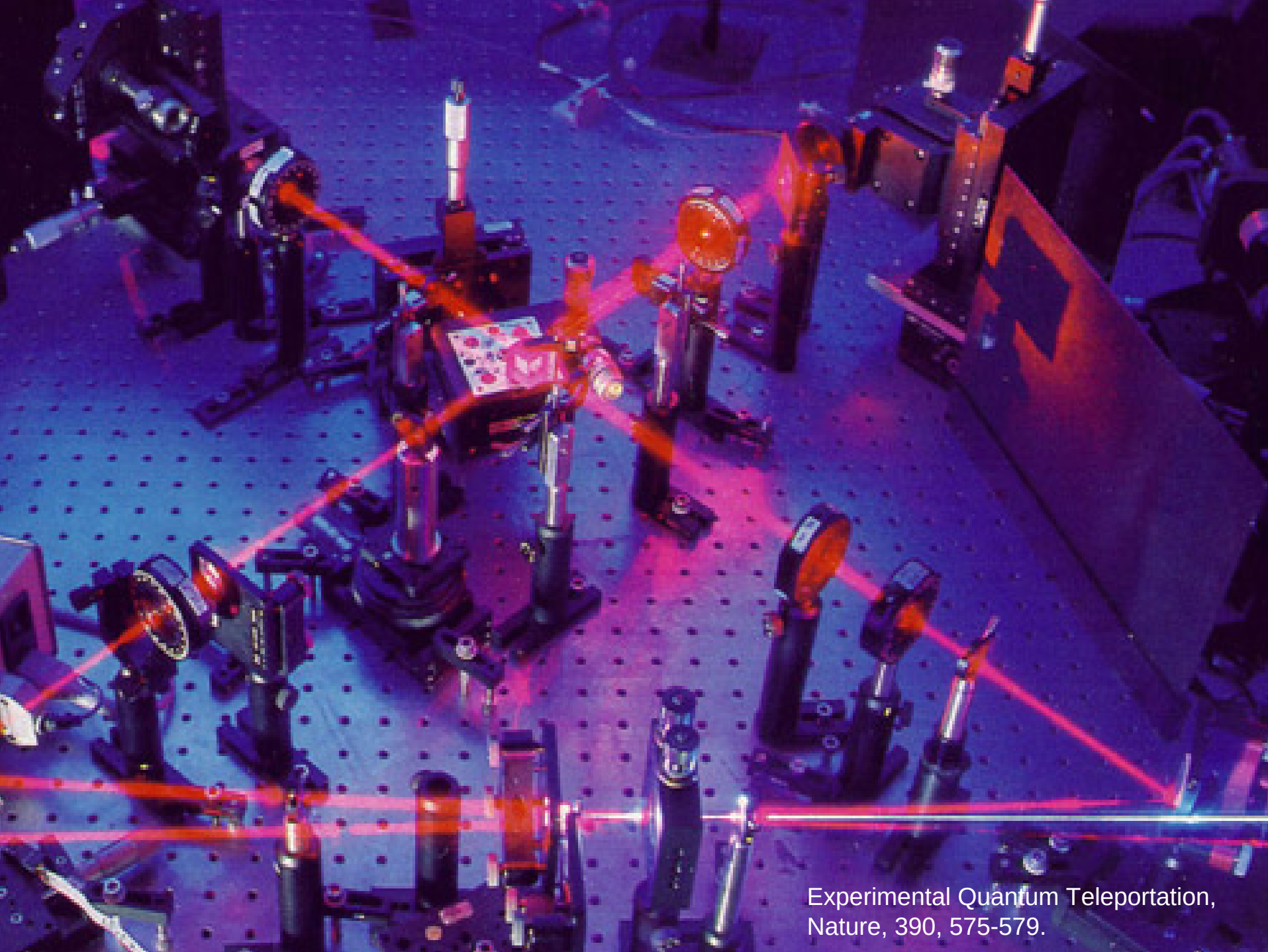
- Alice and Bob share an EPR pair, A and B
- Alice encodes two bits of information by applying one of the four operations to A, and then sends the qubit to Bob
- Bob takes a measurement on A and B with respect to the Bell basis to distinguish the four messages



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Circuits for Dense Coding





Experimental Quantum Teleportation,
Nature, 390, 575-579.

600m

Alice

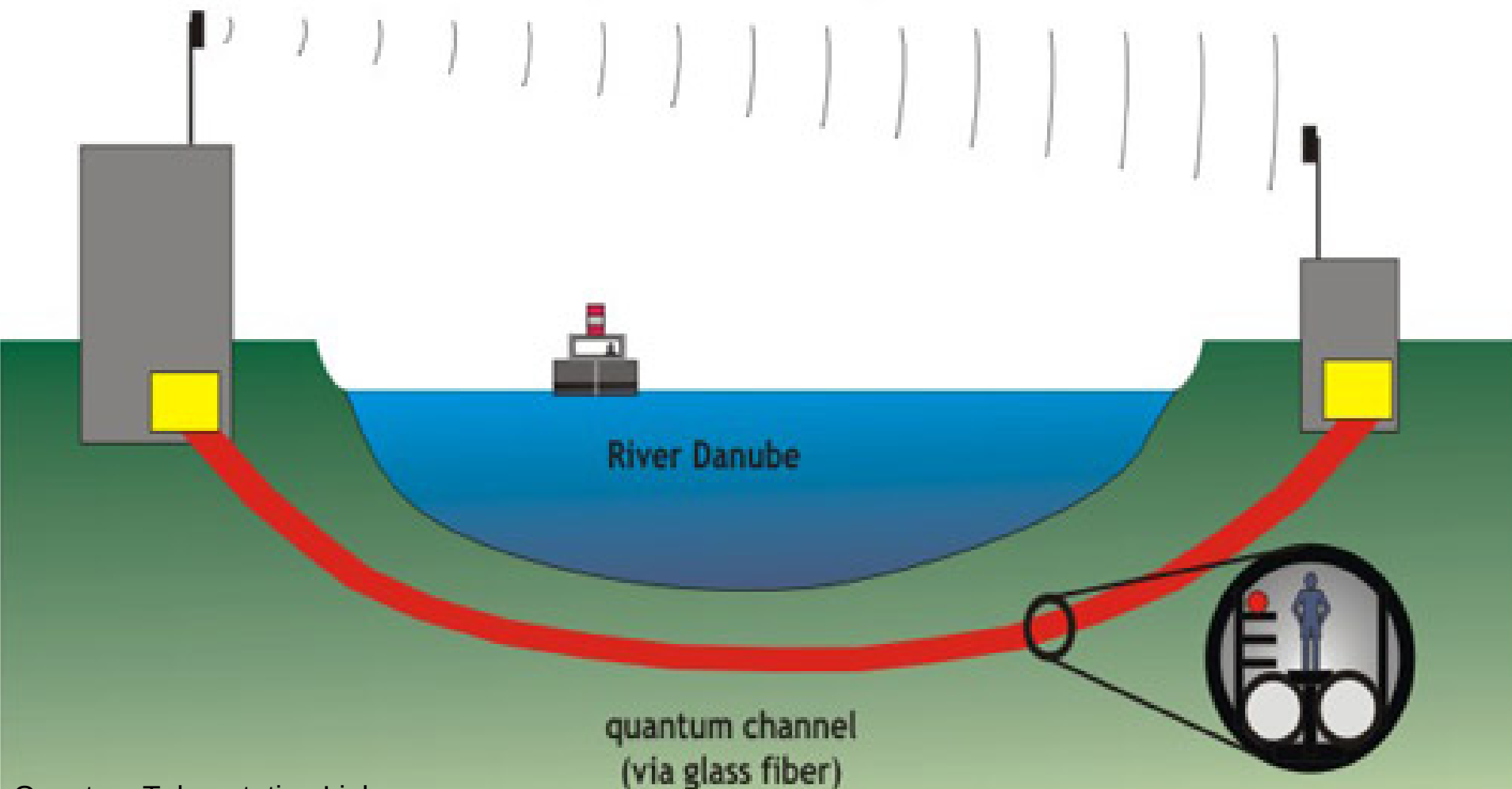
Bob

classical channel
(via microwave link)

River Danube

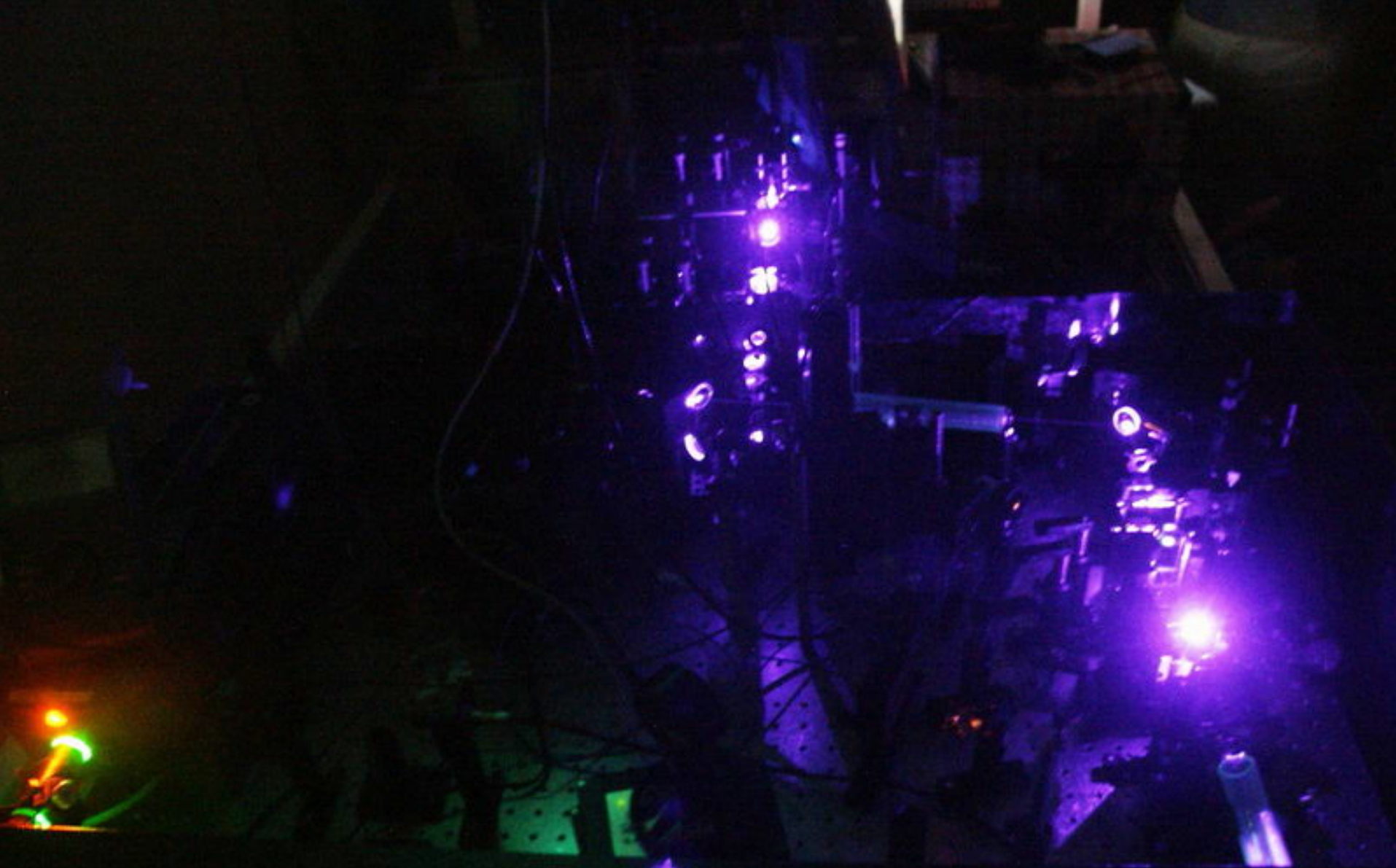
quantum channel
(via glass fiber)

Quantum Teleportation Link across
the Danube, Nature, 430, 849.









Mira







Santa Cruz
de Tenerife

Las Palmas de
Gran Canaria

Laayoune



Santa Cruz
de la Palma

Los Llanos
de Aridane

San Cristóbal
de la Laguna

Santa Cruz
de Tenerife

La Orotava

Icod de
los Vinos

Candelaria

Tenerife

Guimar

Gula de
Isora

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Adeje

Arona





Alice and Bob

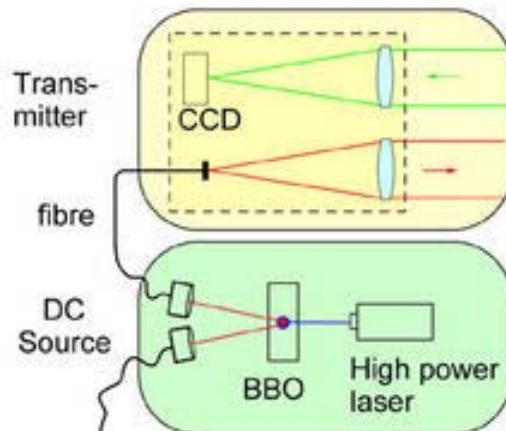


Single photon transmitter optics module (Alice) in La Palma aligned towards Tenerife (visible in the upper right corner).

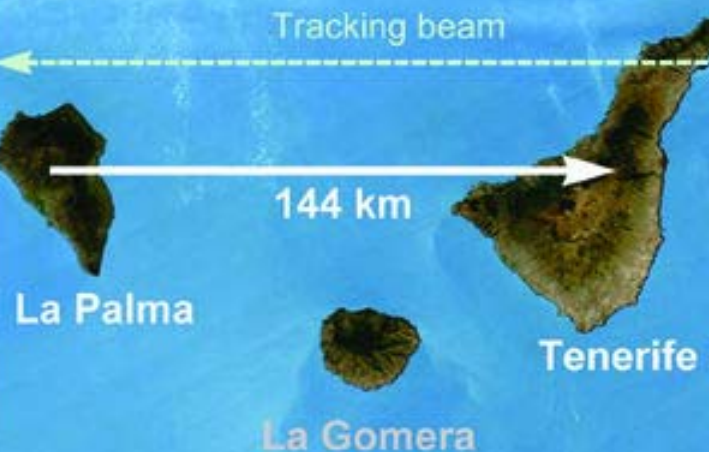
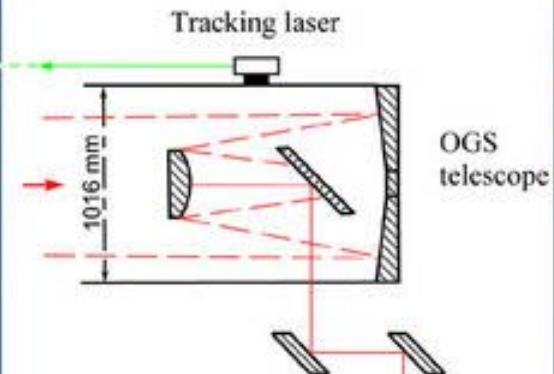


ESA's Optical Ground Station (OGS) is located at the Observatory of Teide on Tenerife, and is situated at an altitude of 2393 meters.

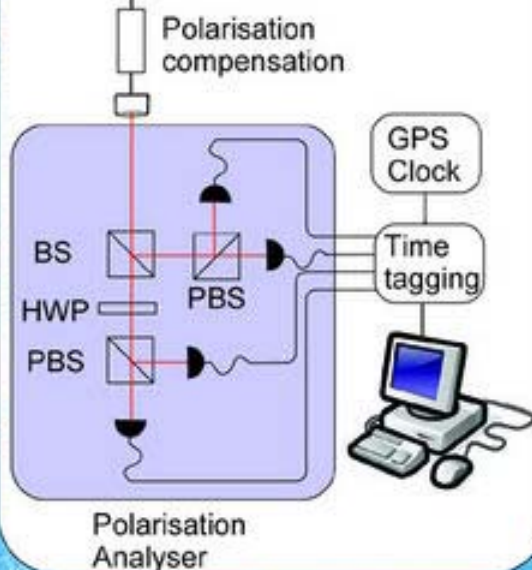
Source and Transmitter



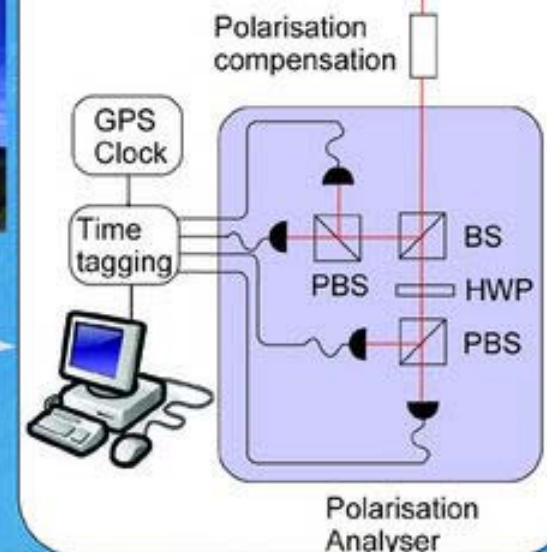
Optical Ground Station



Alice on La Palma

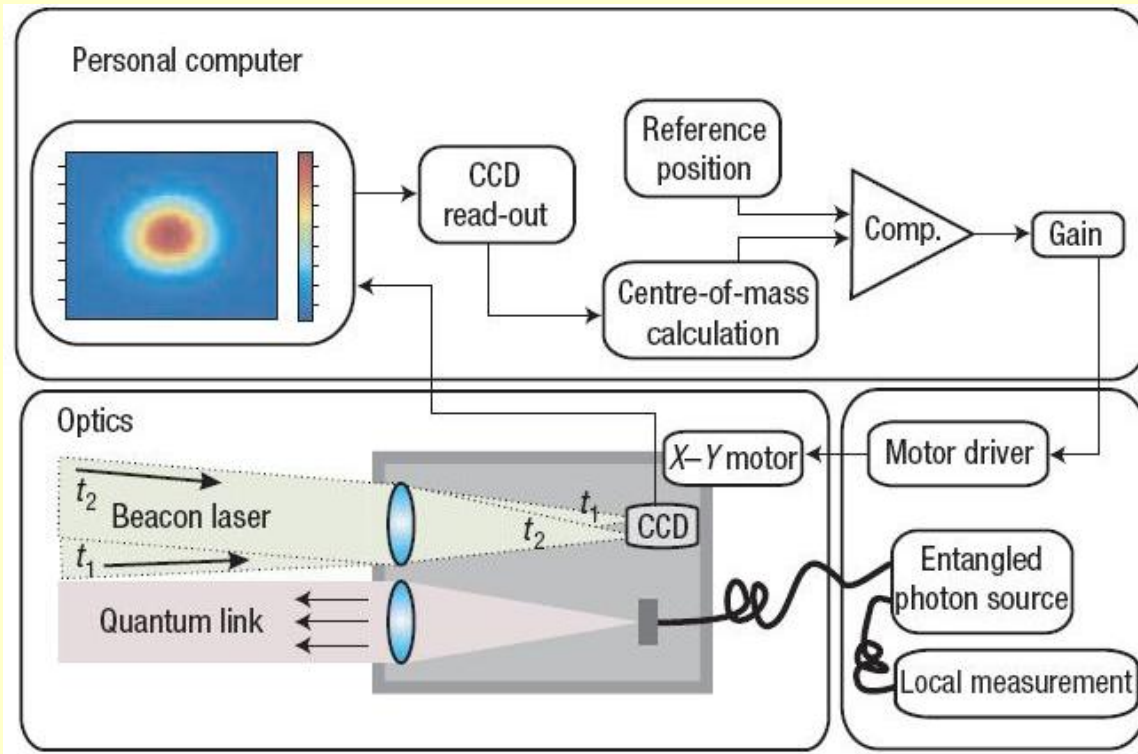


Bob on Tenerife

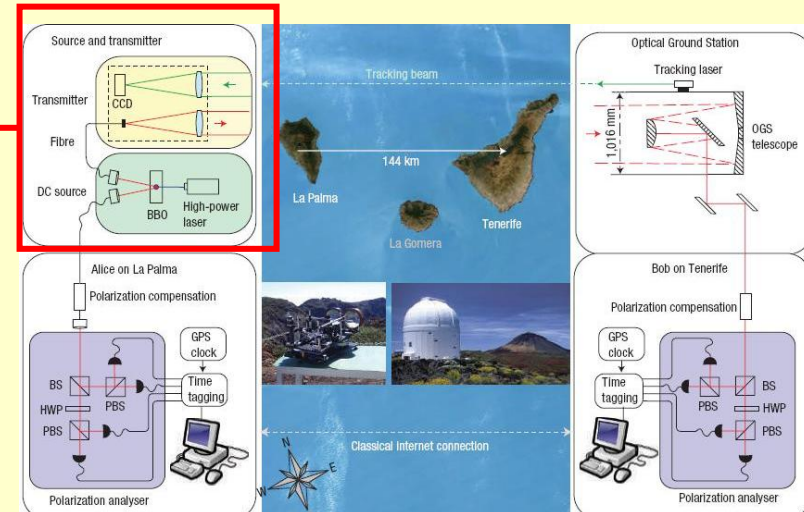


Classical Internet Connection

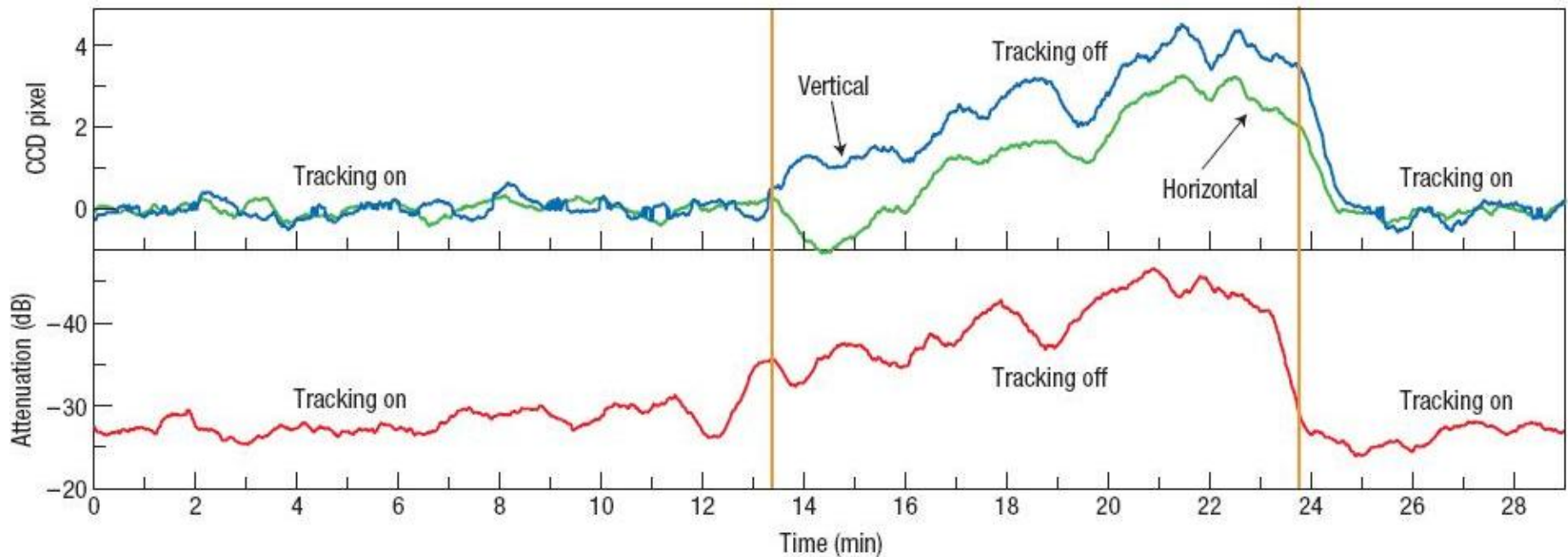




The closed-loop tracking system on La Palma



Tracking between Alice and Bob





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San Cristóbal
de la Laguna

Santa Cruz
de Tenerife

TF-5

TF-2

Tacoronte

La Victoria
de Acentejo

El Rosario

Santa Maria
del Mar

TF-1

San Juan de
la Rambla

Puerto de
la Cruz Santa
Ursula

La Orotava

Los
Realejos

La Guancha

Icod de
los Vinos

Candelaria

Arafo

Güimar

Tenerife

Fasnia



La Victoria
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La Resbala

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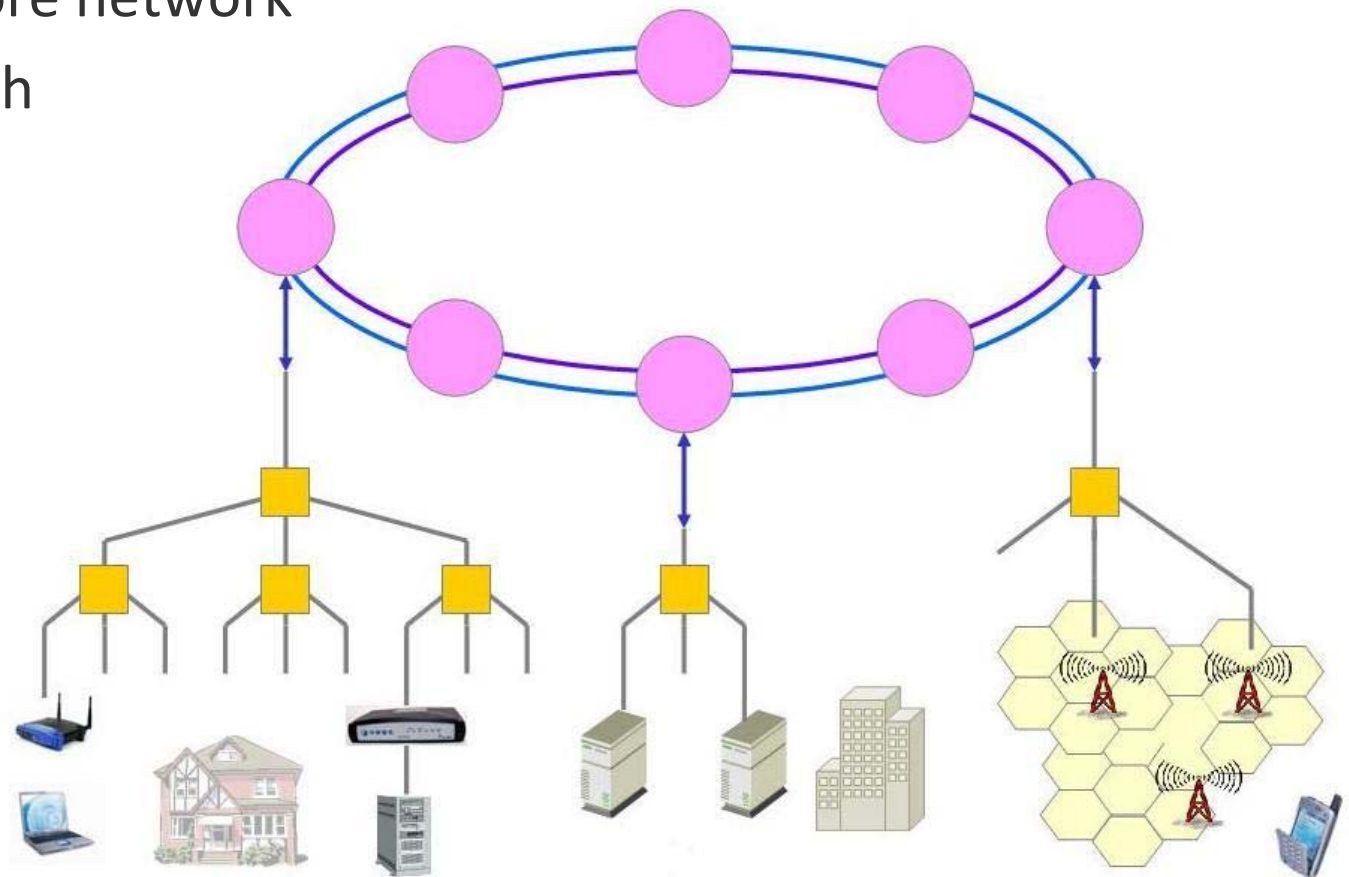
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Telecom Point of View – Dense Coding

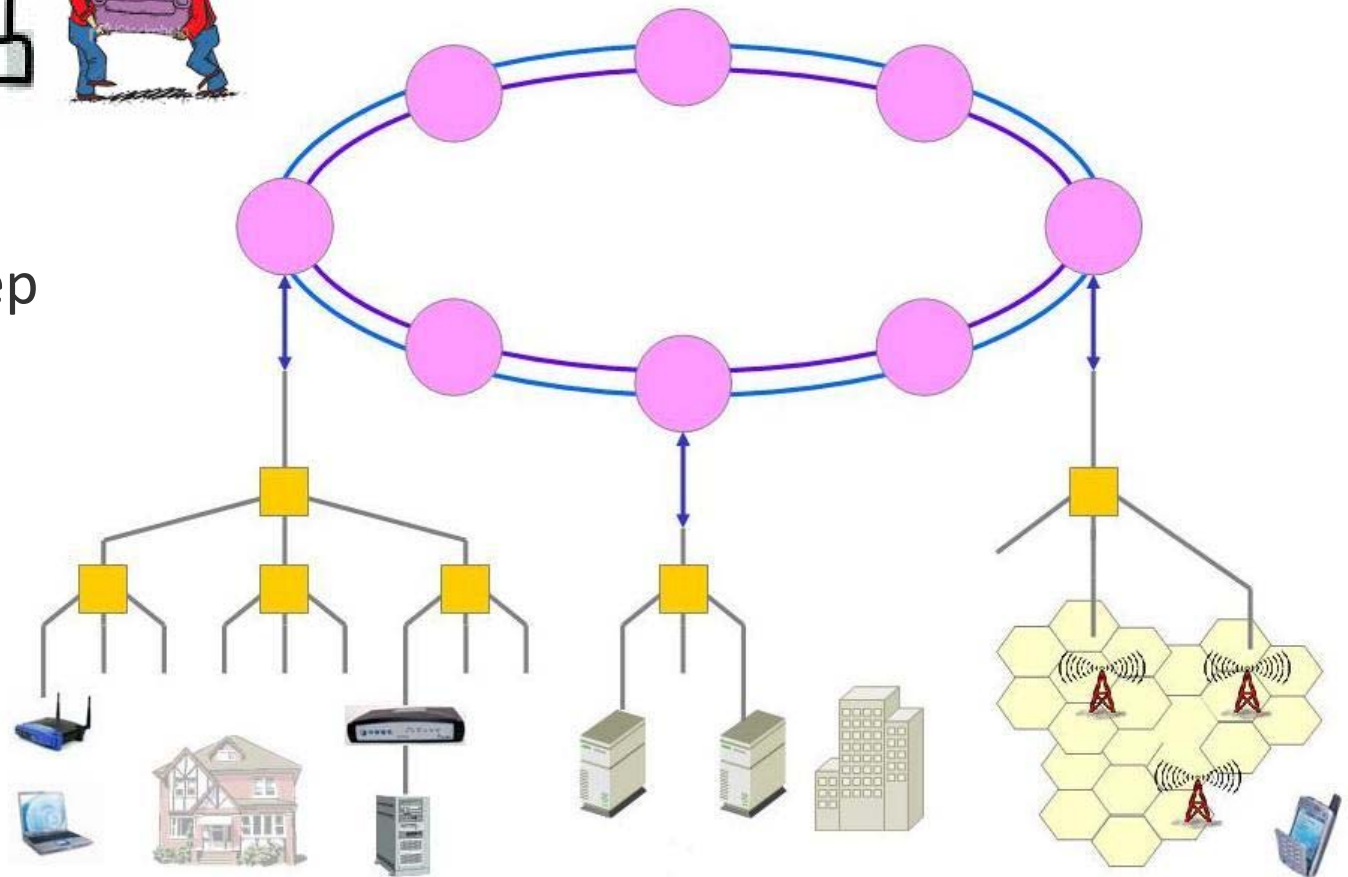
- 40Gbps Core network
- Not enough



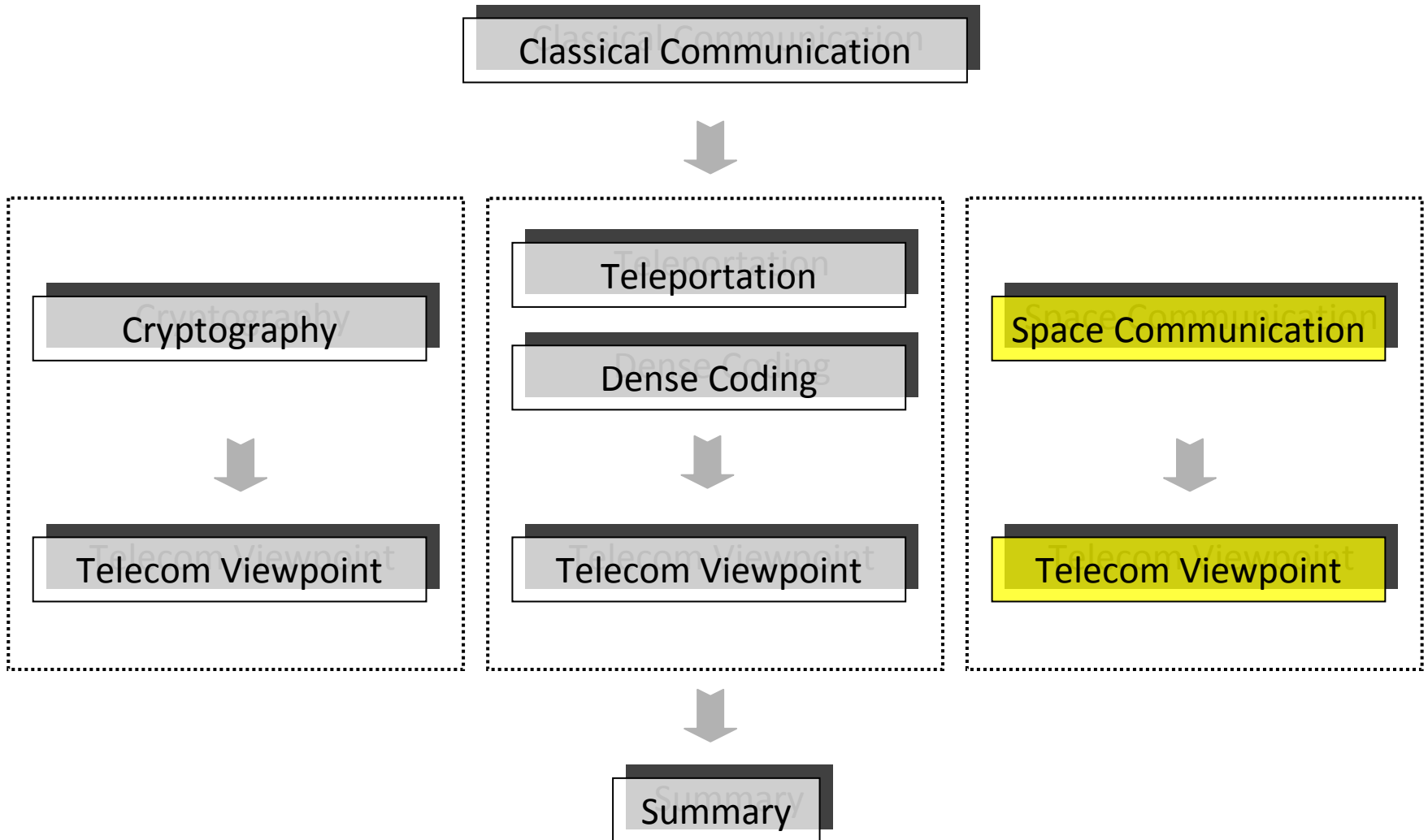
Telecom Point of View – Teleportation

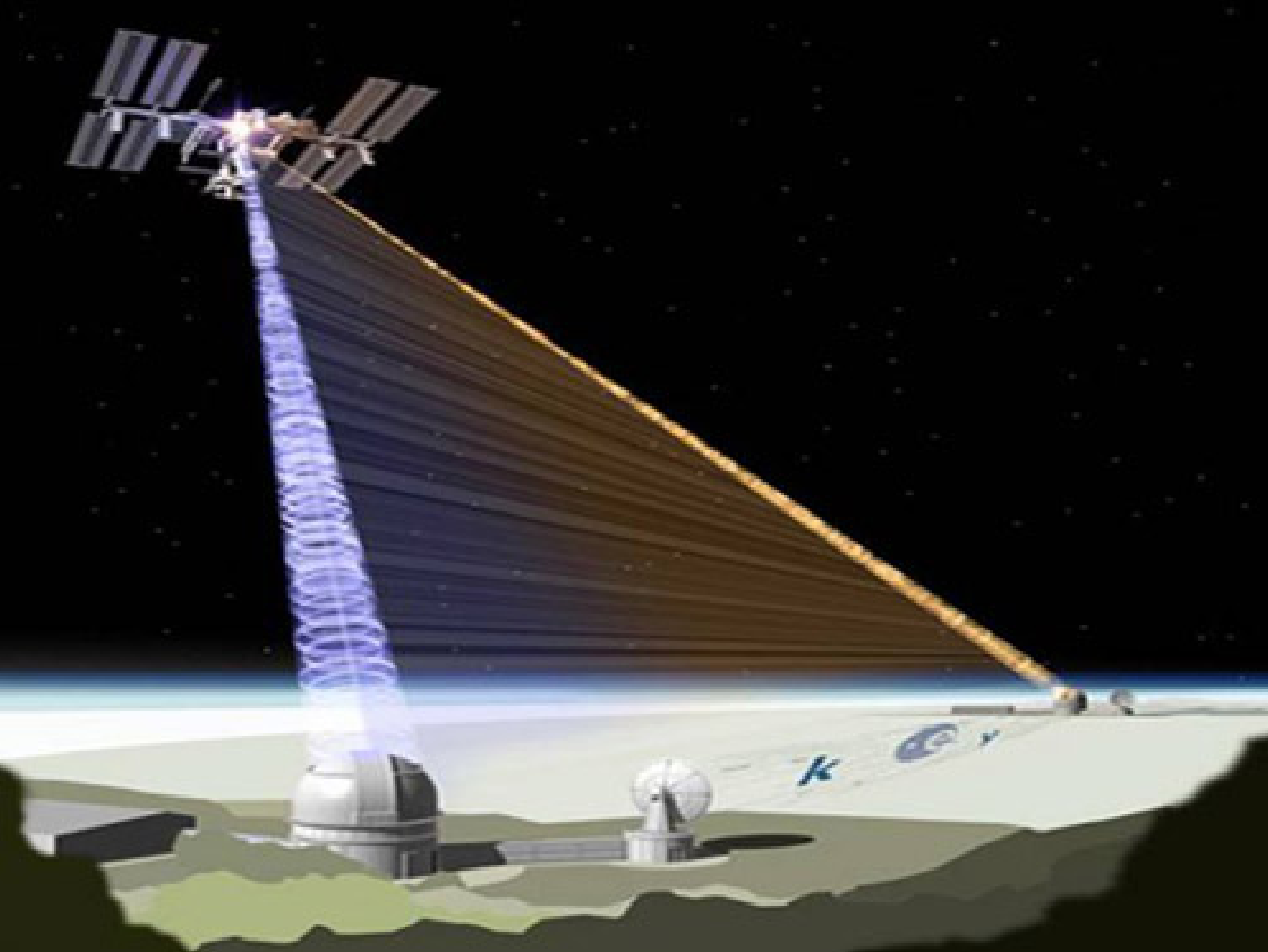


- Next Step



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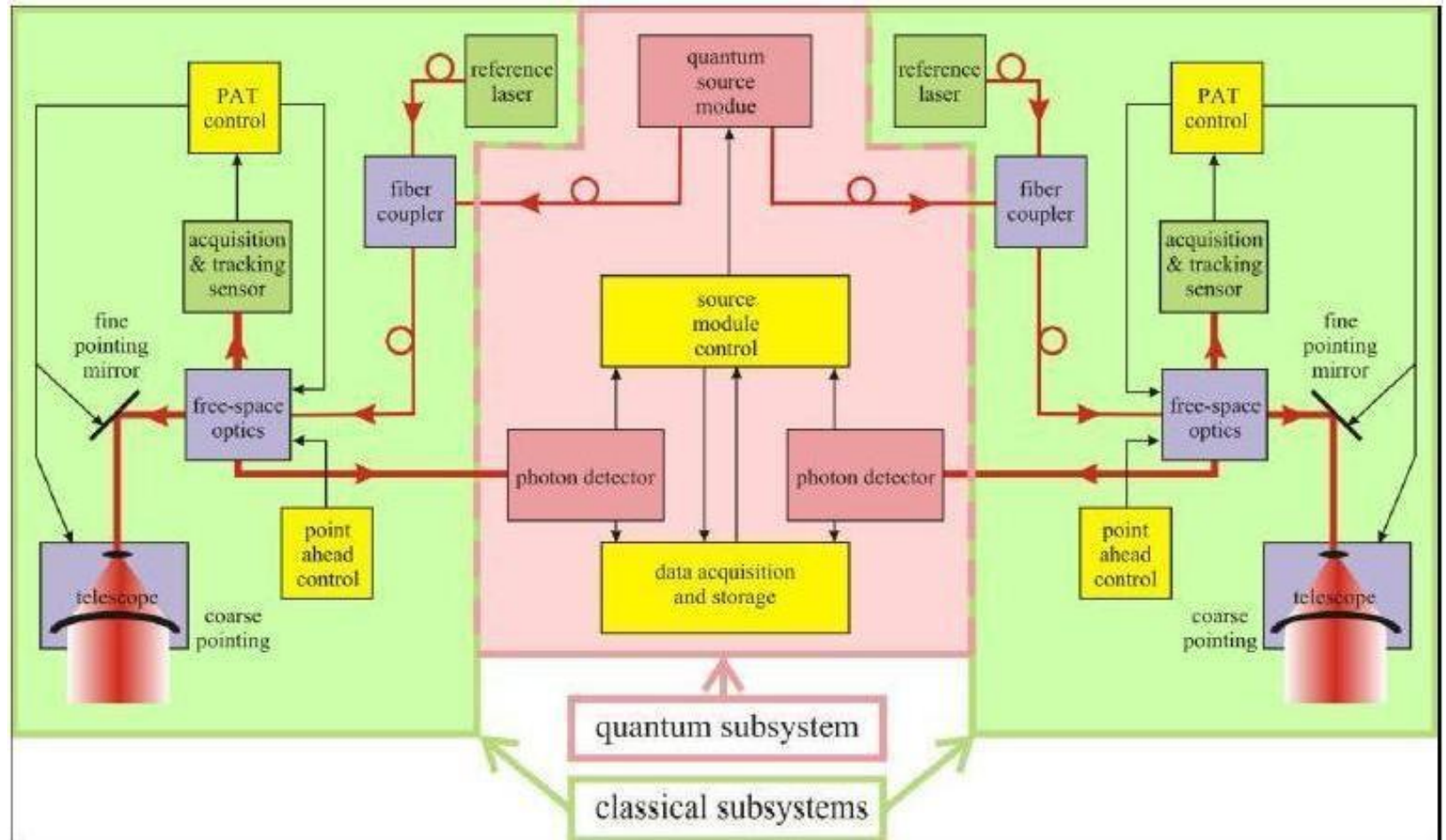


Quantum Protocol and Space Applications

Applications	Benefits	Space application
Quantum key distribution (QKD) using single and entangled photons	Unconditional security = detection of eavesdropper	• Secure access to a satellite • Secure communications between gateways / ground stations • Secure satellite-to-satellite communication
Quantum state teleportation (QT)	Transfer of quantum information without disturbing the quantum information, but speed of light limit for classical information	• Quantum telecomputation for deep space missions • Global distribution of quantum entanglement and global quantum networks
Quantum dense coding (QDC)	Higher channel capacity	• Satellite telecommunications • Deep space missions
Quantum communication complexity (QCC)	Higher efficiency	• Deep space missions

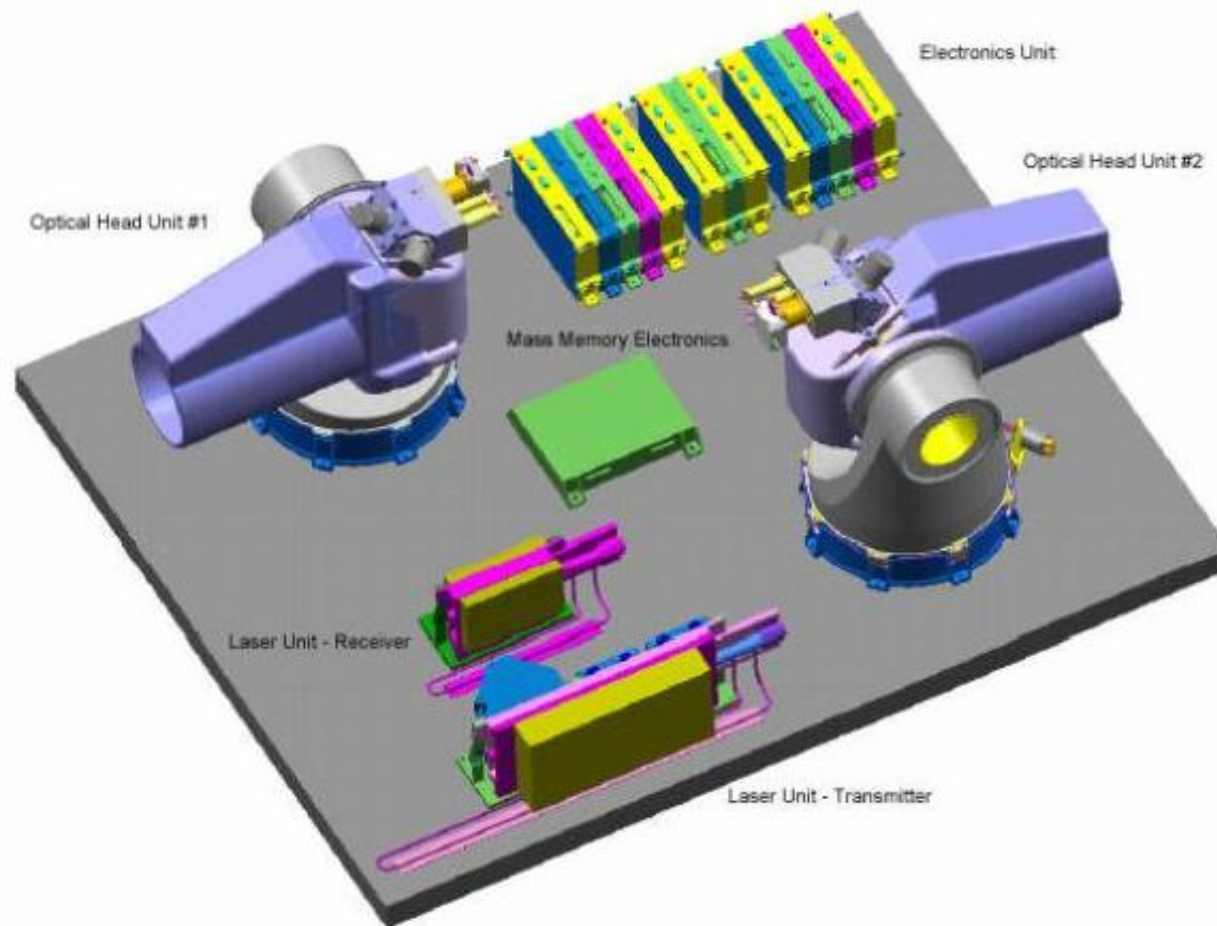
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Terminal for Space-Ground Experiments



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Space-based Payload for Two Ground Stations

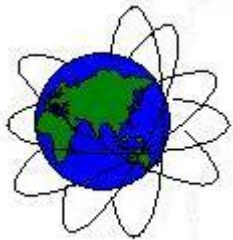


A Telescope of ESA's Optical Ground Station

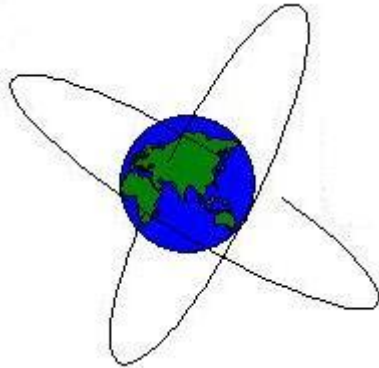


Satellite Orbit

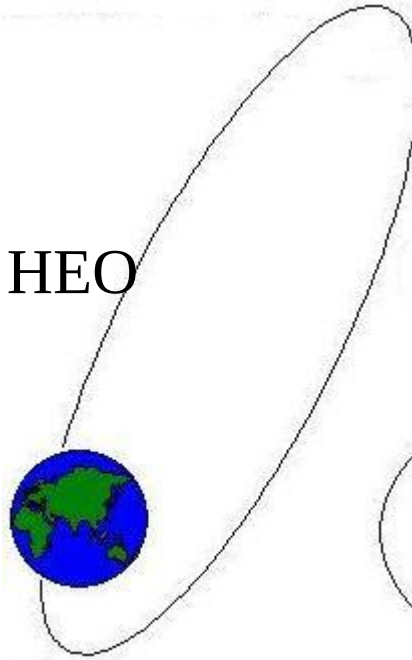
LEO



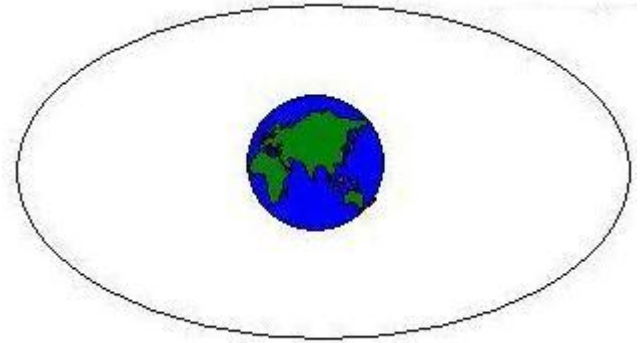
MEO



HEO



GEO



Low Earth Orbit

Medium Earth Orbit

Geostationary Earth Orbit

Highly Elliptical Earth Orbit

: 700-1500 km

: 10000-20000 km

: 35768 km, 24 Hr

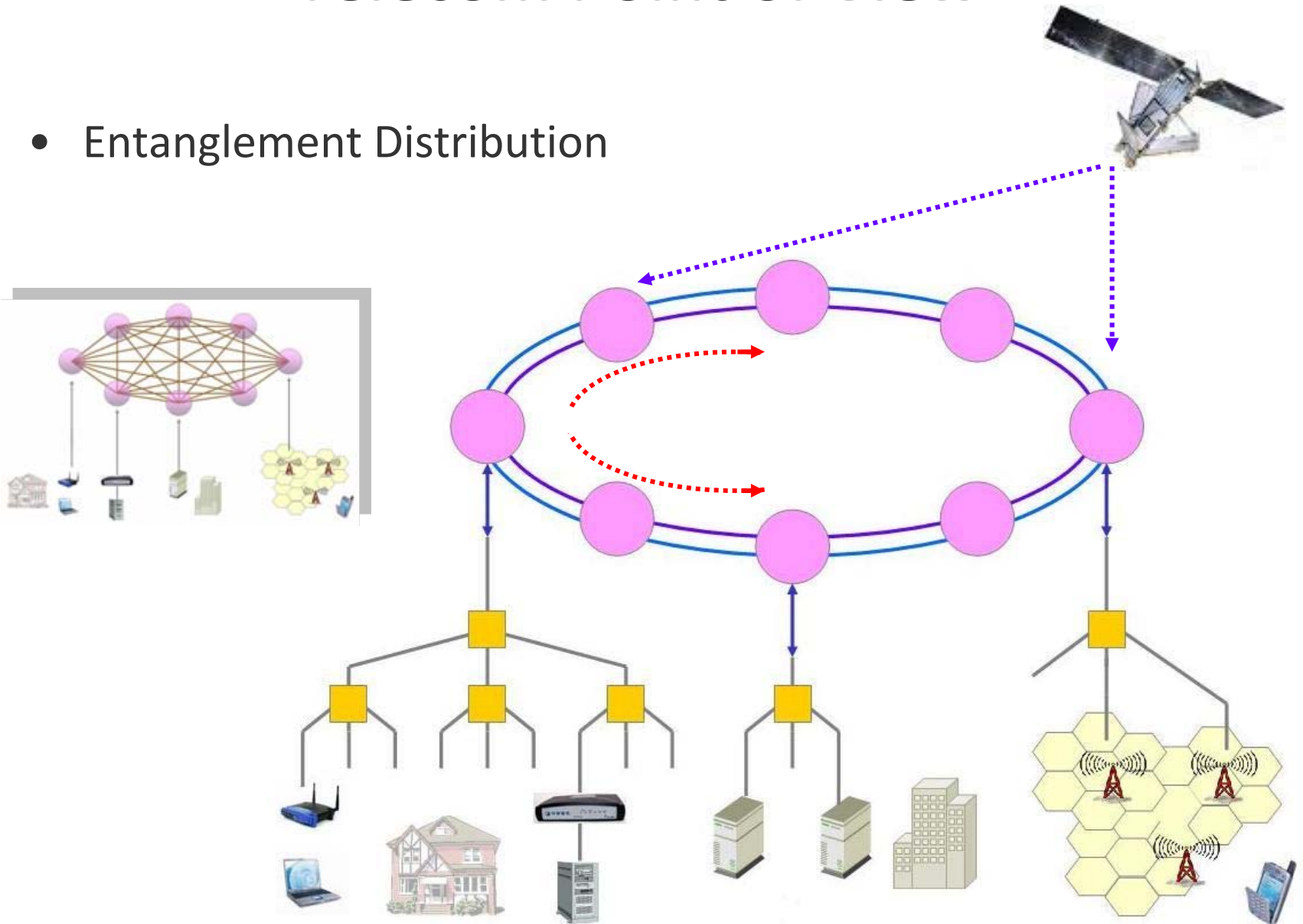
Orbit Trade-off for QKD via Satellite

	LEO	MEO	GEO
Average key length per day (normalized to LEO)	100%	~15%	~30%
Link distance variation	~300%	~5%	~0%
Average gap duration between consecutive links (night operation only)	~1 day	~1 day	~0.5 day
Maximum gap duration between consecutive links (night operation only)	<15 days	< 22 days	~0.5 day
Pointing complexity of space-based quantum communications terminal	High	Medium	Low
Pointing complexity of optical ground station	High	Medium	Low
Sensitivity to link acquisition time	Critical	Uncritical	Independent
Instantaneous ground coverage	<1%	~30%	~33%
Total ground coverage	~100%	~100%	~33%

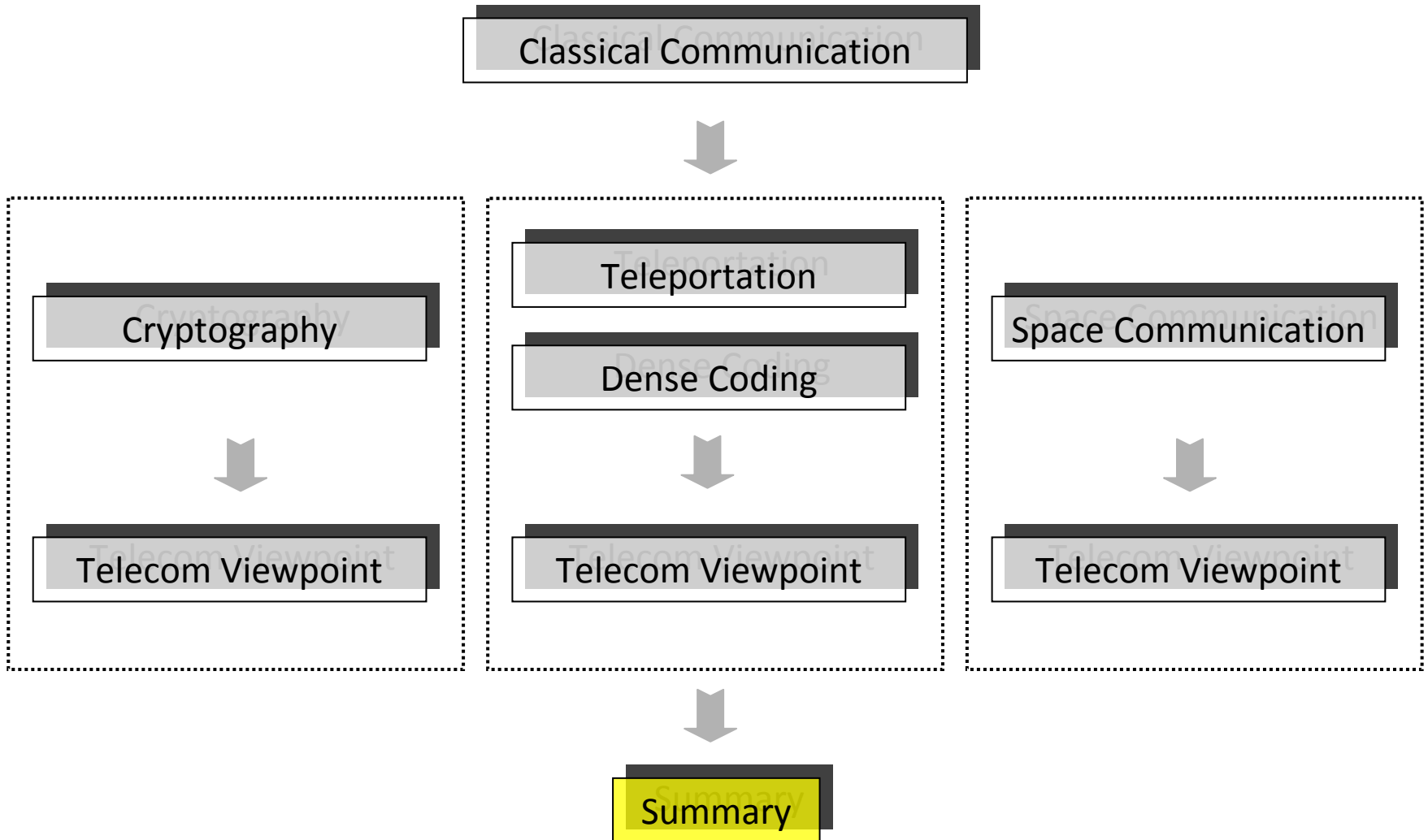
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Telecom Point of View

- Entanglement Distribution



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Summary

- Quantum Communication is a promising field of study.
- Science, Technology, Engineering should be closely integrated.
- Interdisciplinary support is of great significance to each of these communities.