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*Vertically Integrated Center for Technologies of
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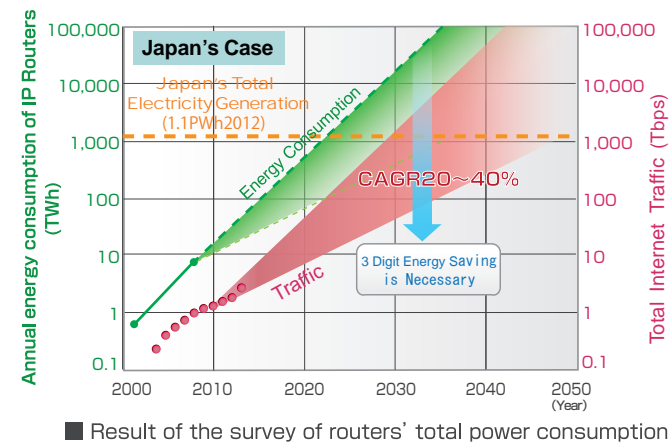
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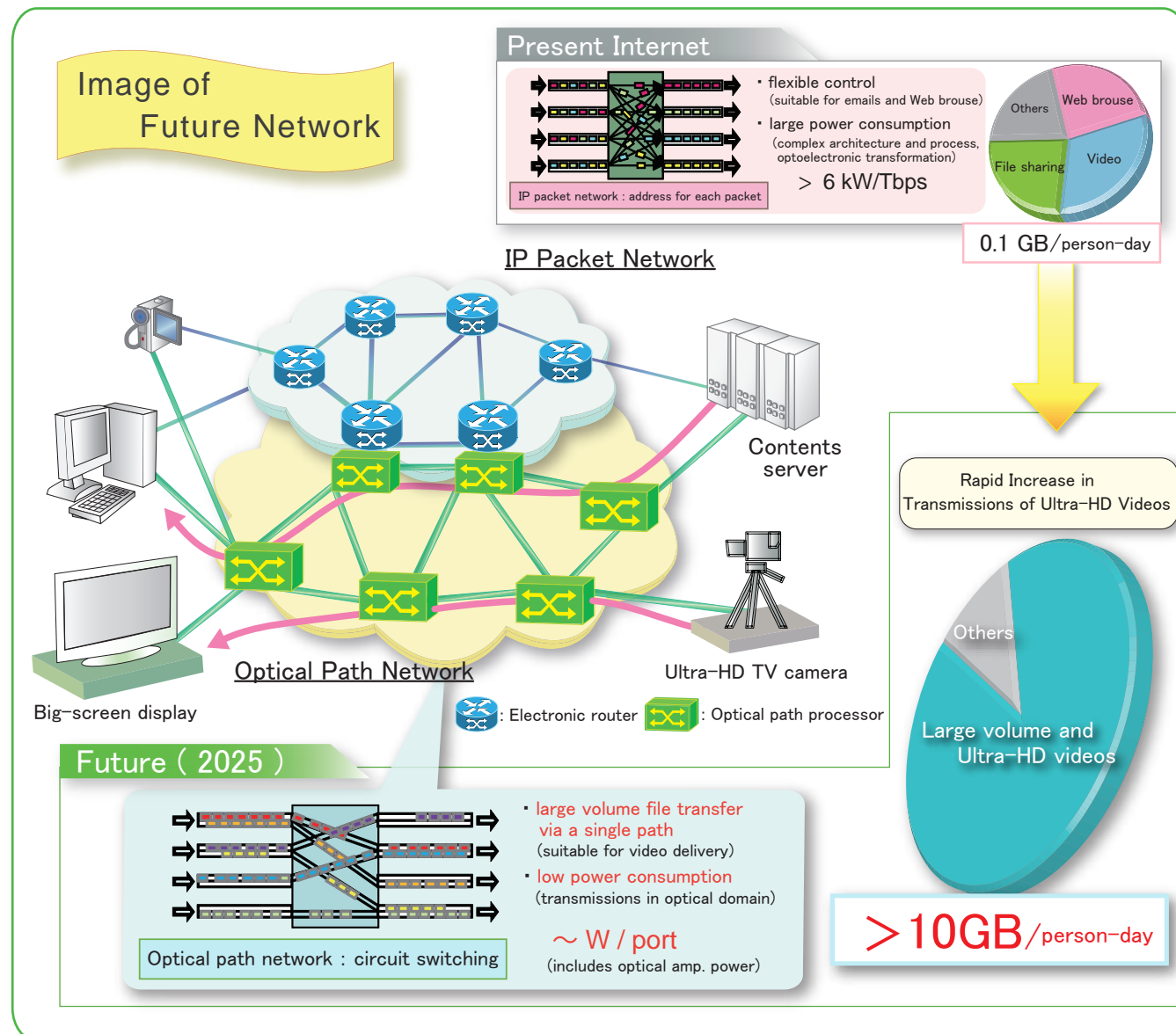
Background

Information and telecommunications network traffic has been increasing dramatically at an annual rate of 20-40%. Given the spread of video sites and video chat sites on the Internet that is underway and the integration of broadcasting and communications that will follow the digitization of terrestrial broadcasting in 2011, this expansion of traffic volume is expected to continue for many years in the future. Consequently, a 1000-fold increase in the current total network capacity will be required.

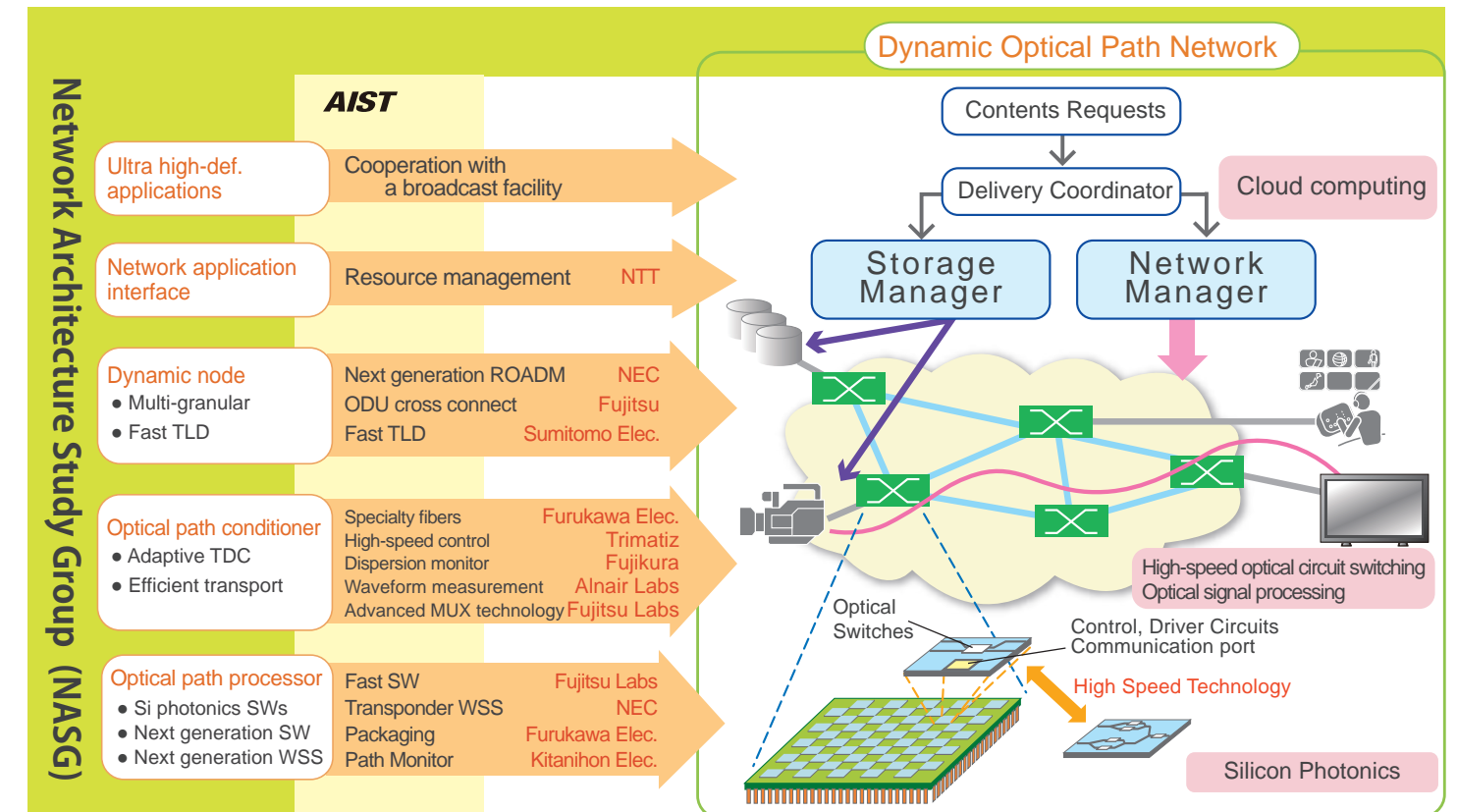
Estimates based on surveys conducted to ascertain the total power consumption of routers, which are the main components of information and telecommunications networks in Japan, suggest that routers consumed 700 million kWh in 2001. By 2006, this figure had risen more than 10-fold. Given that the total power production in Japan was about 1 trillion kWh in 2006, routers consumed 1% of the electric power produced. At the same time, Internet traffic also increased more than 10-fold during this period. In accordance with these trends, to achieve a 1000-fold increase in the current level of network traffic, more routers with improved performance will need to be introduced and a 1000-fold increase in power supply will be required. This is not realistic, however, because routers alone will require a power supply in excess of the total power production.



Dynamic Optical Path Network



Overview of Research Topics



Green IT Society by Optical Path Network (2025)

Creation of Innovation by Remote Coexistence

