



P1394.b & DVB Opportunities & Considerations

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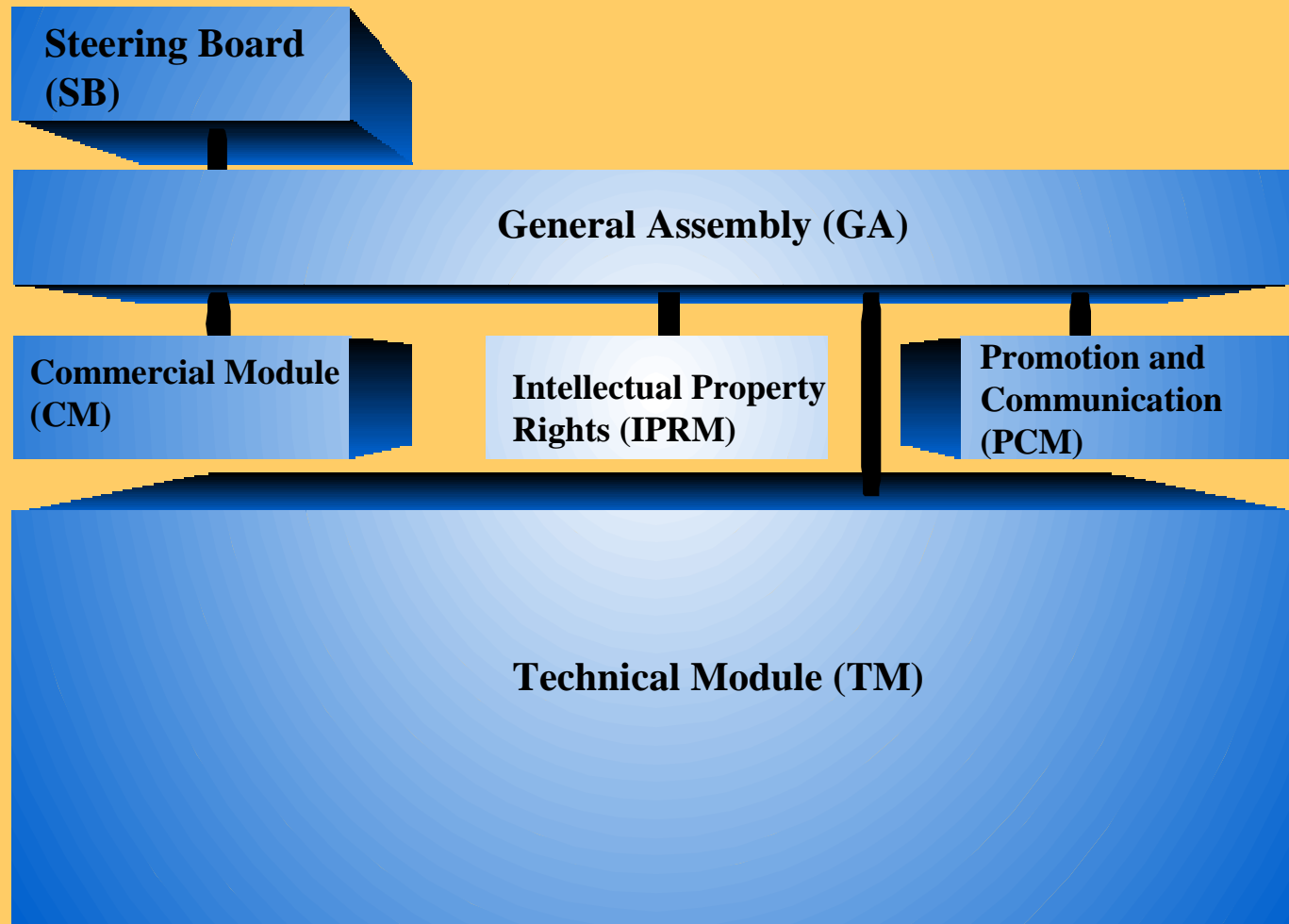


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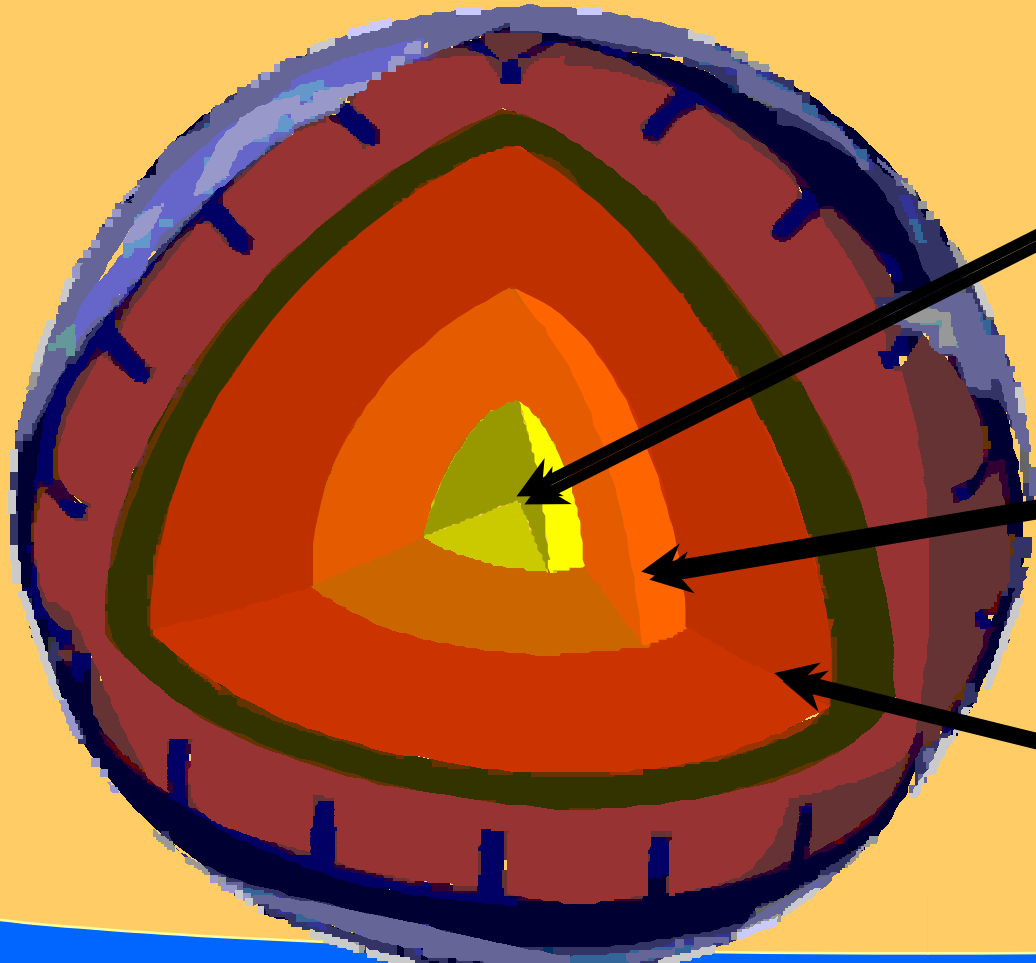
What is the DVB Project ?

- **A market-driven initiative to standardise digital broadcasting worldwide**
- **DVB was formed in September 1993**
- **DVB now has more than 220 members from more than 30 countries covering the whole broadcast chain:**
 - **Broadcasters (Canal+, ARD, TF1, ..)**
 - **Manufacturers (CE, professional, ...)**
 - **Network operators (Astra, BT, FT, DT, ...)**
- **Official relations to Regulatory bodies (ETSI, CENELEC, EC)**
 - **DVB specs result in official ETSI norms**

Structure of the DVB Project



DVB core principles



Open Standards

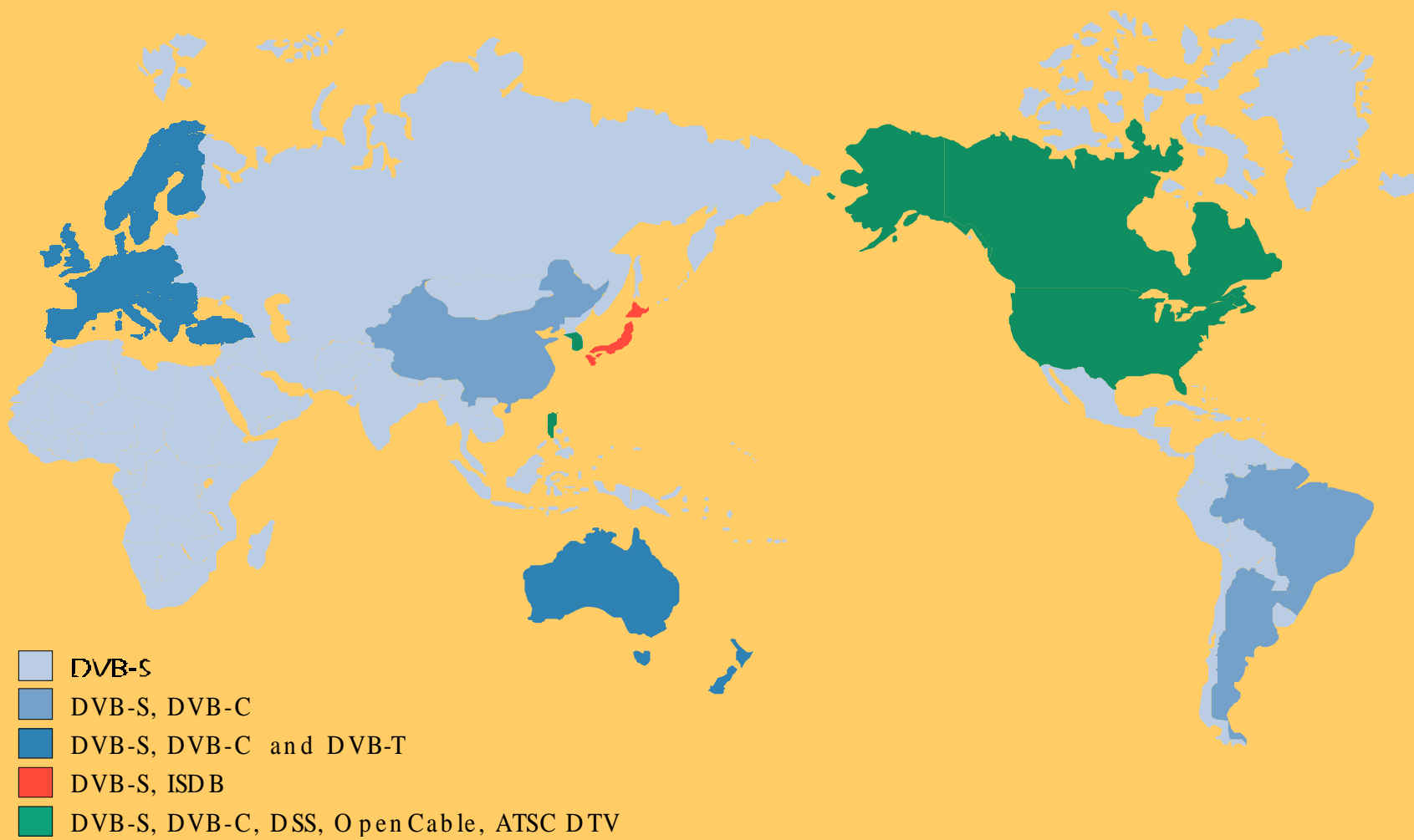
Interoperable

Market - driven

DVB services

- **Non-interactive Services**
 - digital TV and game broadcasting, EPG
- **One-to-Many Interactive Services**
 - quiz, polling, voting
- **One-to-One Interactive Services**
 - Data broadcasting, content download
 - **high speed Internet over the air (6-33 Mb/s)**

World Adoption of DVB



On the market, on the air...

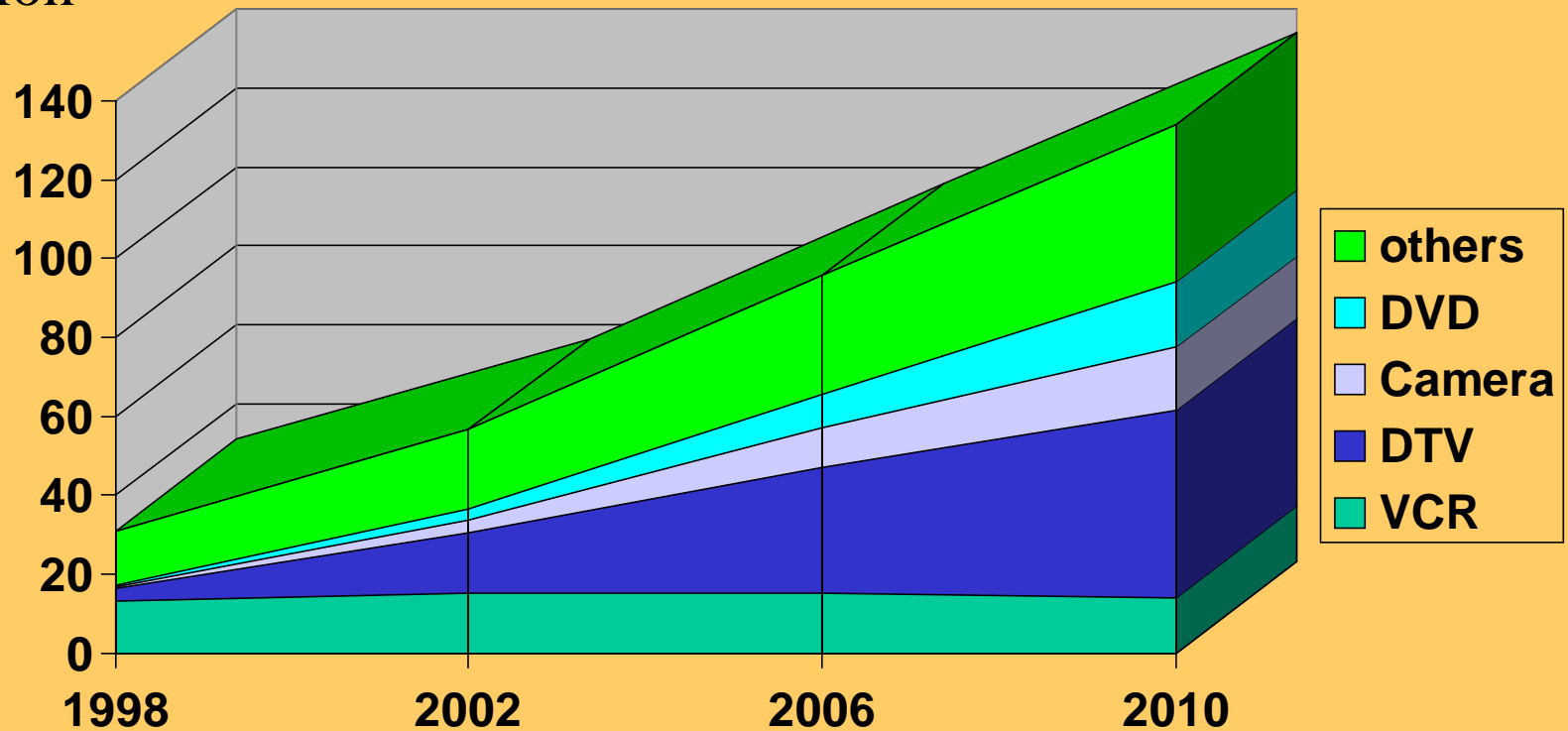
- The “DVB Directory” lists:
 - over 250 DVB services
 - in 50 countries
 - on six continents
 - 93 manufacturers
 - hundreds of DVB-compliant products for cable, satellite, terrestrial, community antenna and microwave distribution
- A recent workshop on DVB-T hardware showed commercially available solutions from some 20 manufacturers

Some marketing figures

- **Household penetration:** starting from approximately 1,5 digital products per household in 1999, this penetration is going to rise consistently up to 3,5 products per household in 2010
- **DTV = Digital-STB or Integrated DTV**
 - **Camera** = DVC-Camcorder + Digital Still Cameras
 - **Others** = PC products + Notebooks + Audio + other new digital products

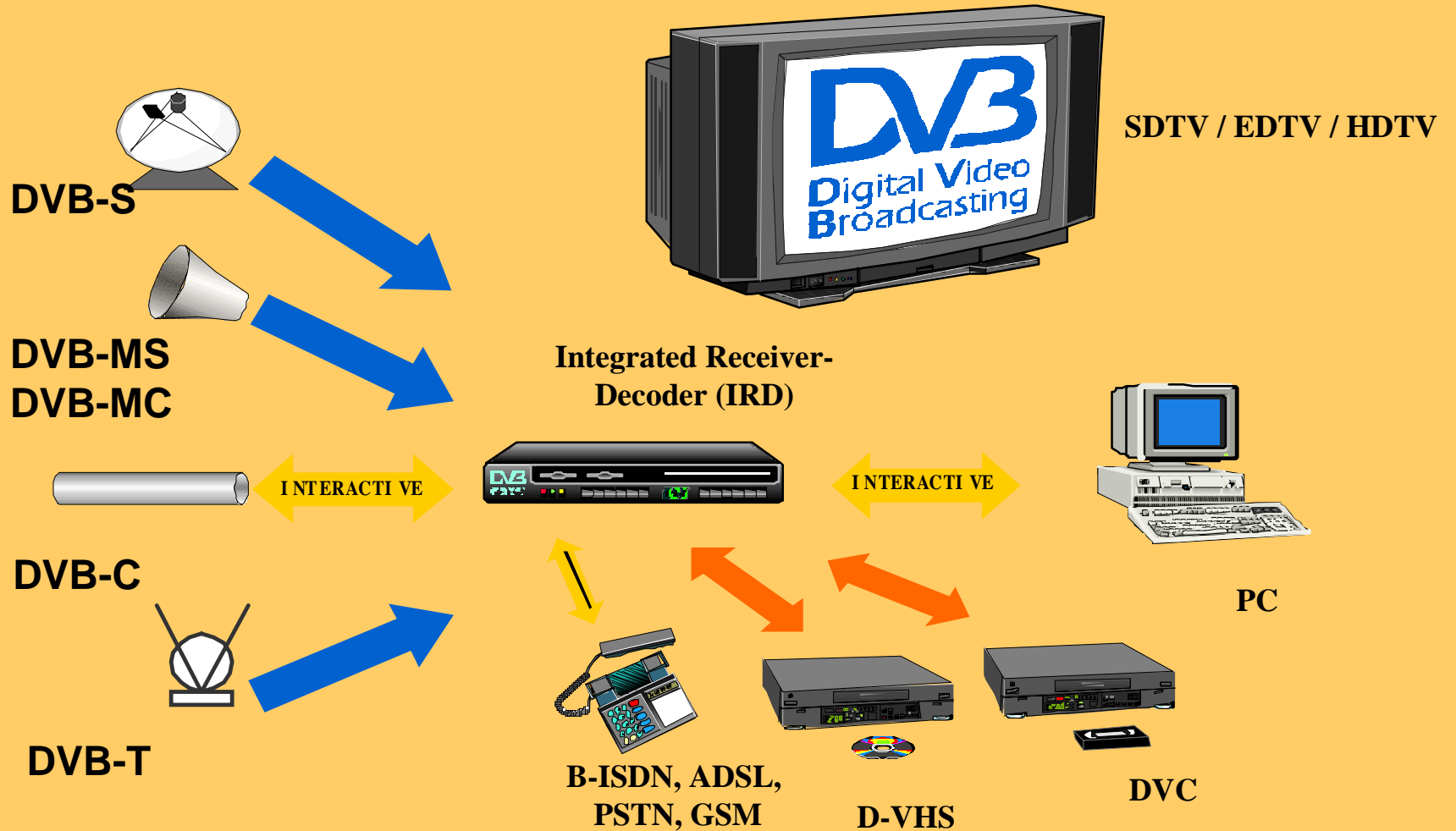
Potential sales of 1394 products

million



Source: Strategy Analytics, Understanding & Solutions, Dataquest and Philips, Sony internal estimation

DVB in the home: DVB-IHDN



DVB-IHDN Commercial Requirements

- maximum 3 simultaneous TSs @ 40 Mb/s to different rooms on the IHDN
- hop length of 50m without separate repeater
 - satellite/cable operators are pushing to connect the DVB-IRD in the living room to the PC upstairs for Internet Access
- no incorrect connections possible by users
- **LOW COST!!**

DVB Concerns on 1394.b

- **Most devices in the home will be 1394.a**
- **DVB accepts 1394 as the IHDN technology and the device connector**
 - 1394-1995
 - 1394.a
 - 1394.b for long distance room-to-room
- **full border functionality not complete yet, needs time**
 - DVB steering board sent an official letter to P1394.b early 1998 and P1394.b promised spec by end 1998
 - it is now april 1999 and we are at version 0.17: this is an increasing concern to DVB for room-to-room 1394

What does DVB need from 1394.b

- **The cheapest possible solution capable of:**
 - $\leq 50\text{m}$ without separate repeater
 - $\leq 200\text{ Mb/s}$ in one arbitration domain
 - interoperable with 1394-1995 and 1394.a
- **a stable spec by mid-1999, demo's in 1999**
- **solution for long distance, not high speeds**

A possible solution for DVB

- **we think a simple POF repeater “R node” is needed**
 - **fulfills a real and valid market need by connecting several legacy a-clouds over long-distance at 200 Mb/s**
 - **“simple” or no border functionality at the cost of some efficiency loss in b-clouds**
 - **frozen as a section of 1394.b spec quickly**
- **we do not want to remove or delay BOSS**
- **We appreciate your serious consideration for this issue**

The "simple repeater"

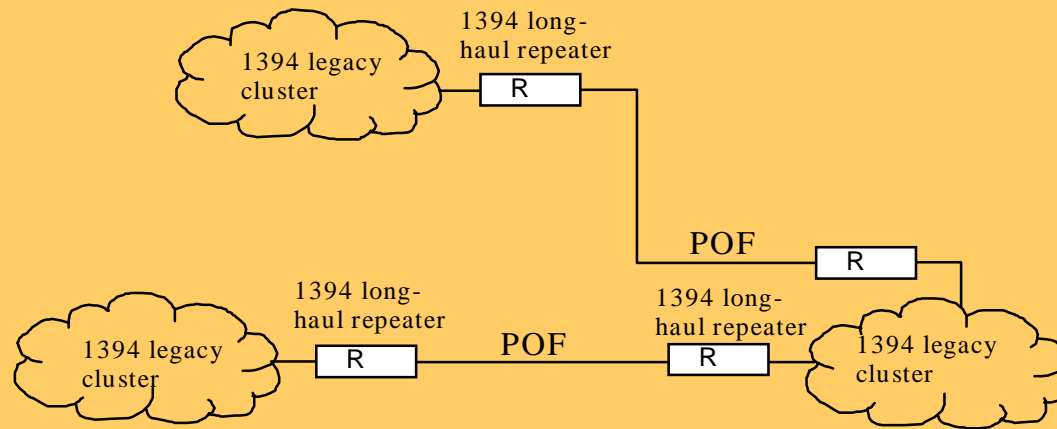


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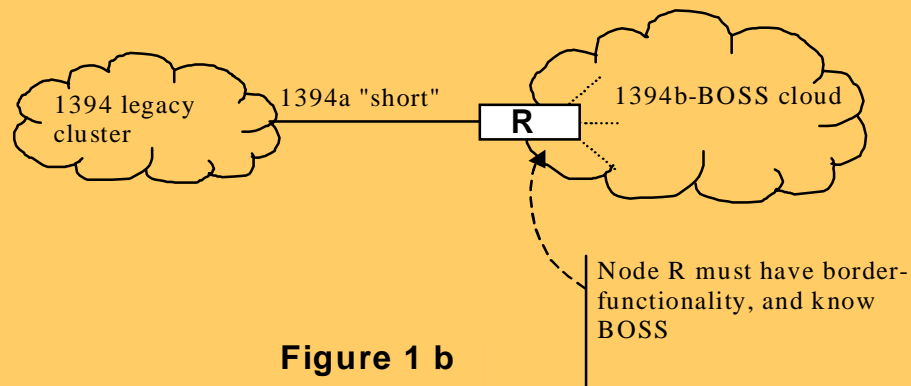


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