



# **Spatial Reuse Protocol: A Ring Based LAN / MAN / WAN MAC Protocol**

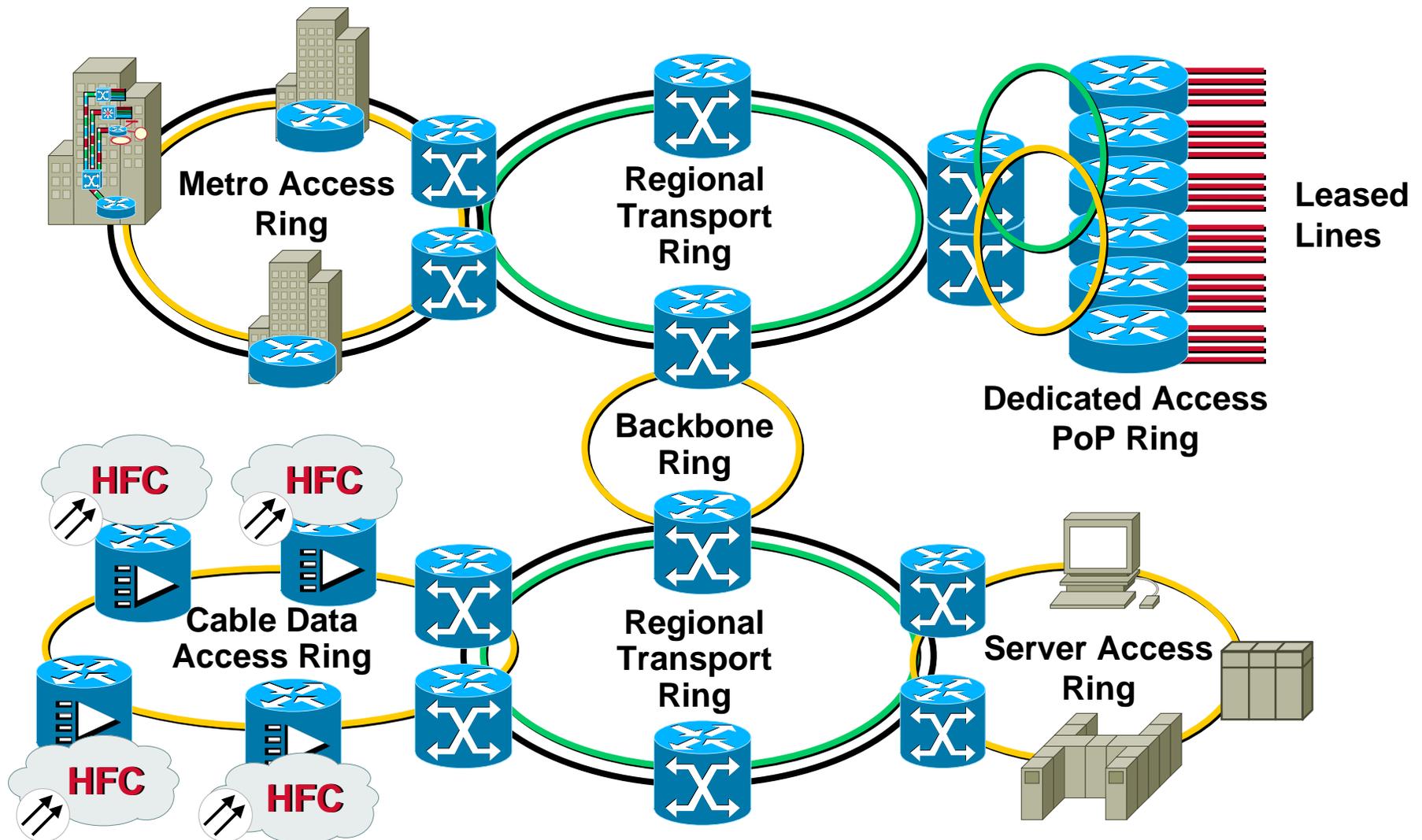
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# SRP Goals

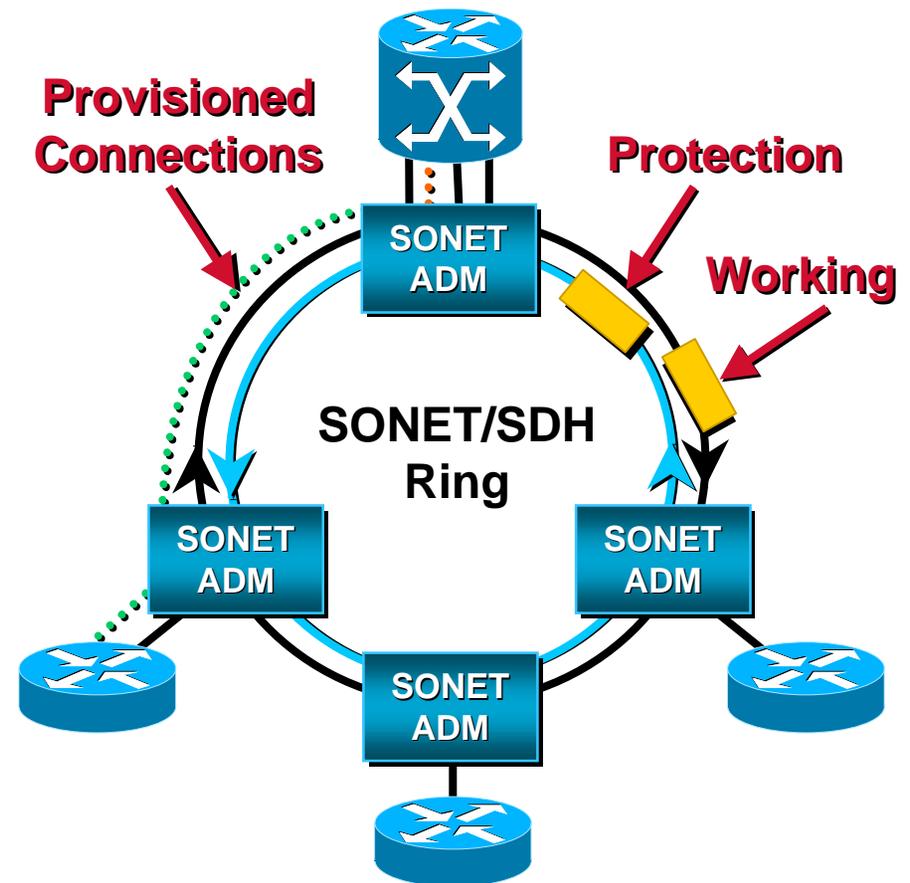
- **Improve economics via layer elimination and BW multiplication**
- **Provide fast protection and restoration**
- **Enable Plug and Play operation**
- **Support LAN, MAN and WAN applications**

# SRP Applications

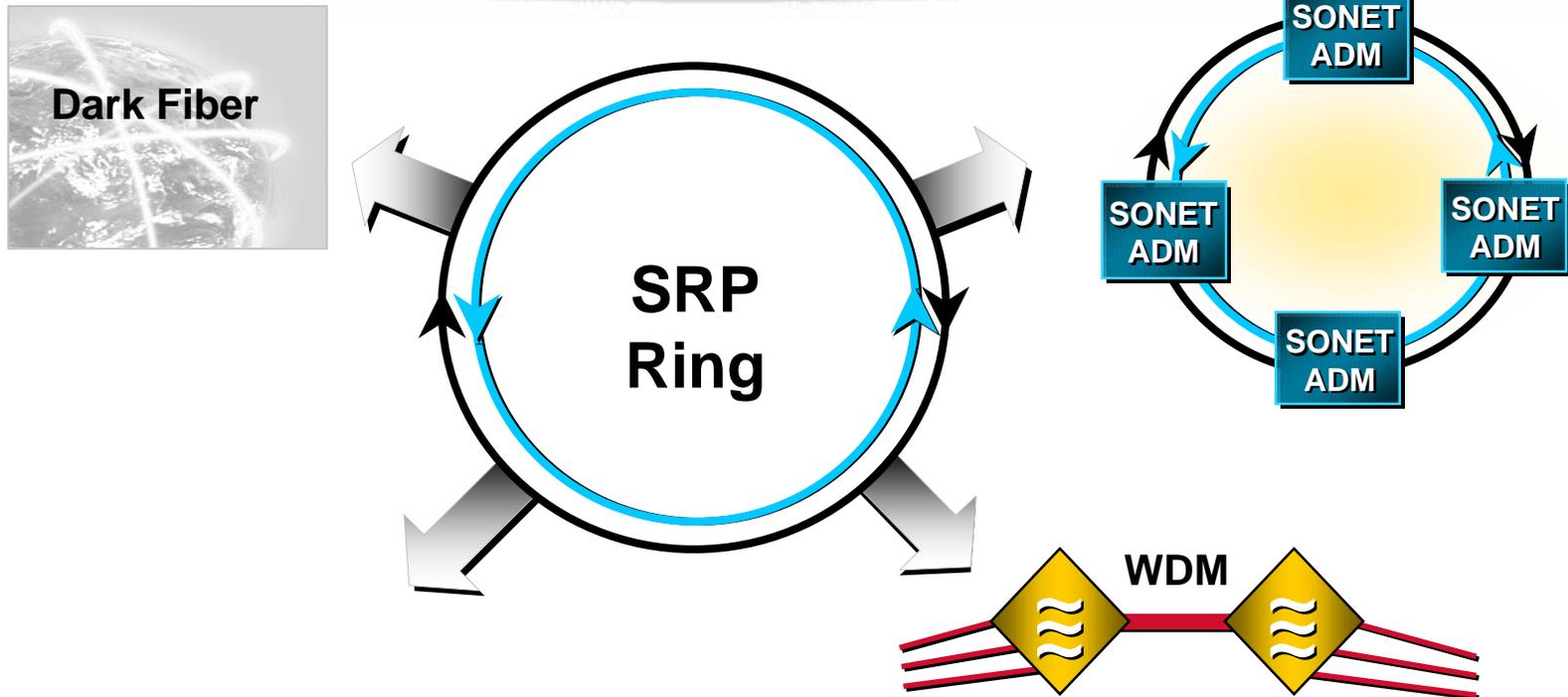


# SONET/SDH-Based TDM Transport

- Accepted transport architecture
- Performance monitoring and self-healing
- Expensive and inefficient for packets
  - Multiple equipment layers
  - Bandwidth inefficiency

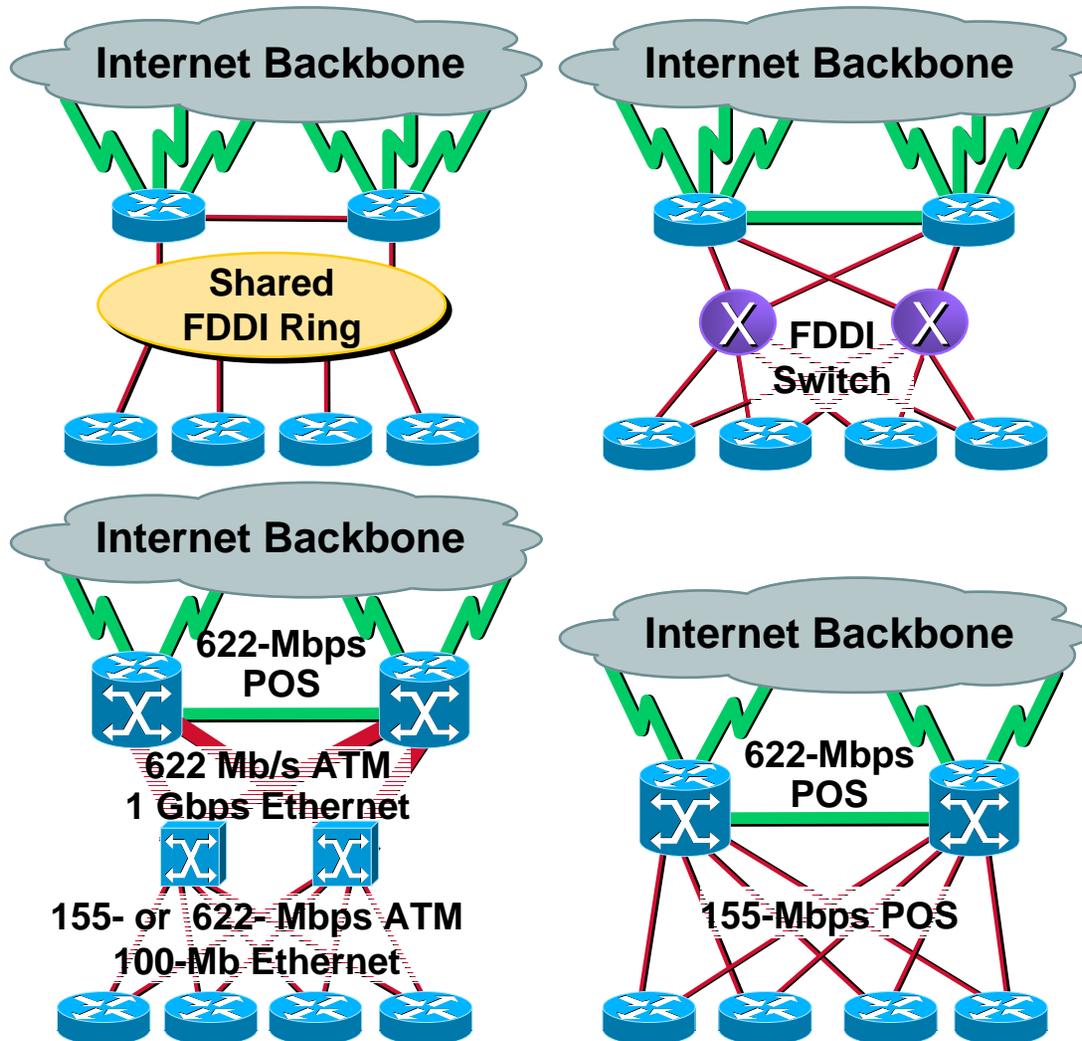


# Transport Flexibility and Evolution



- Runs over dark fiber, SONET, or WDM
- Enables transport “mix and match”
- Provides efficient evolution path for existing networks
- Provides optimized transport for greenfield builds

# Previous Intra-POP Connectivity Options



- Existing topologies
  - FDDI ring
  - Switched FDDI
  - ATM or Fast Ethernet
  - Point-to-point POS
- Issues
  - BW limits
  - Complex load balance
  - Multiple boxes
  - Port counts

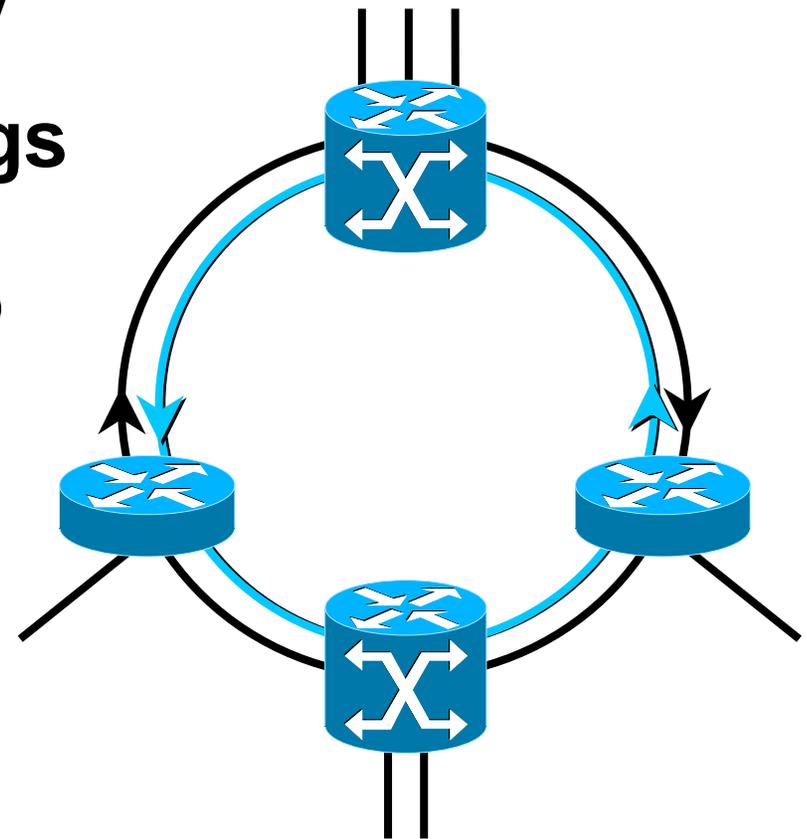
# SRP Overview

- **Maximize BW efficiency**

  - dual counter rotating rings
  - destination stripping
  - statistical muxing of BFP

- **Extend IP functionality over MAN & WAN**

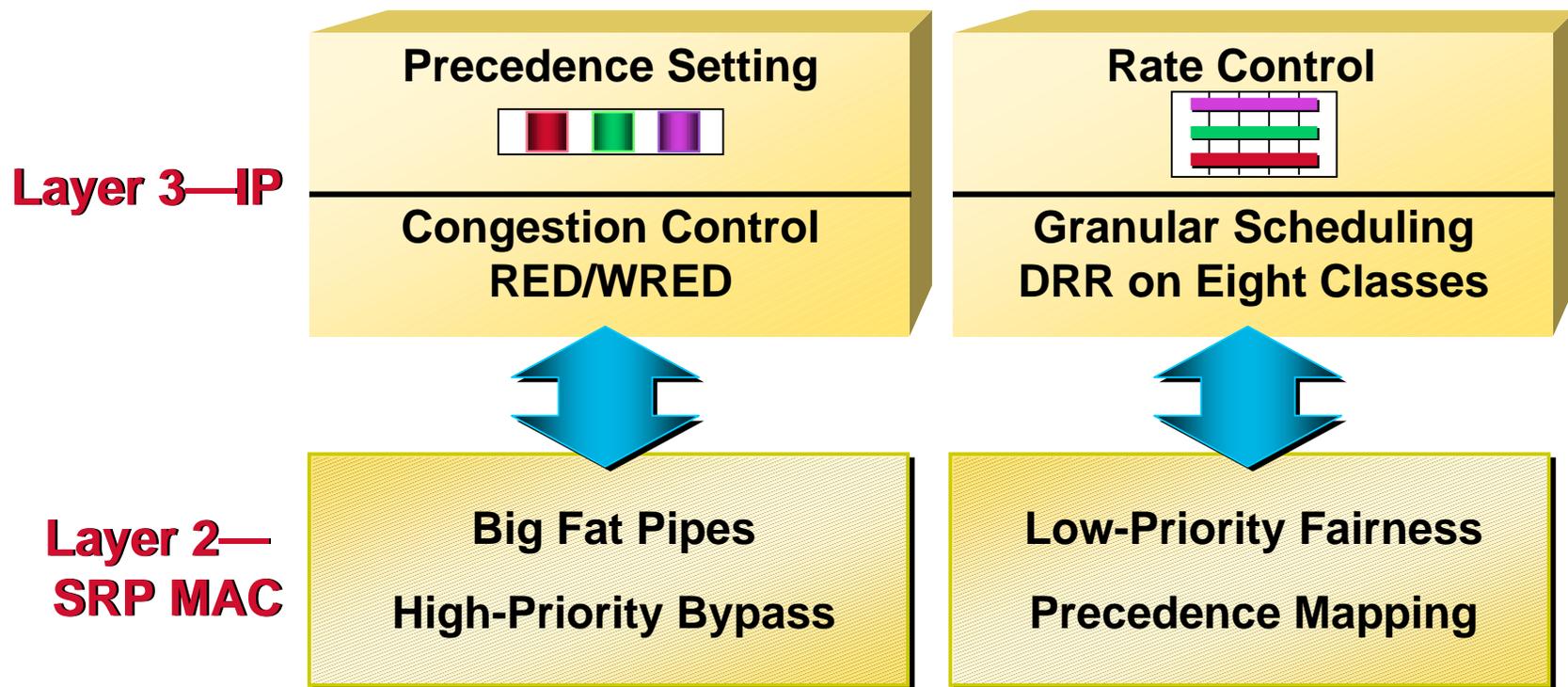
- **Minimize provisioning and configuration**



# SRP Overview

- **Multicast support**
- **2 Traffic priorities on ring**
  - High priority traffic has low latency path around ring**
  - SRP fairness algorithm (SRP-fa) controls access to ring BW for low priority traffic**
- **8 priority levels for Tx and Rx queueing**

# SRP Cooperates with Layer 3 CoS to Extend Functionality



- Layer 3 provides rich functionality and granular controls
- MAC provides speed and simplicity
- Enables low delay/jitter for voice and video packets

# SRP Overview

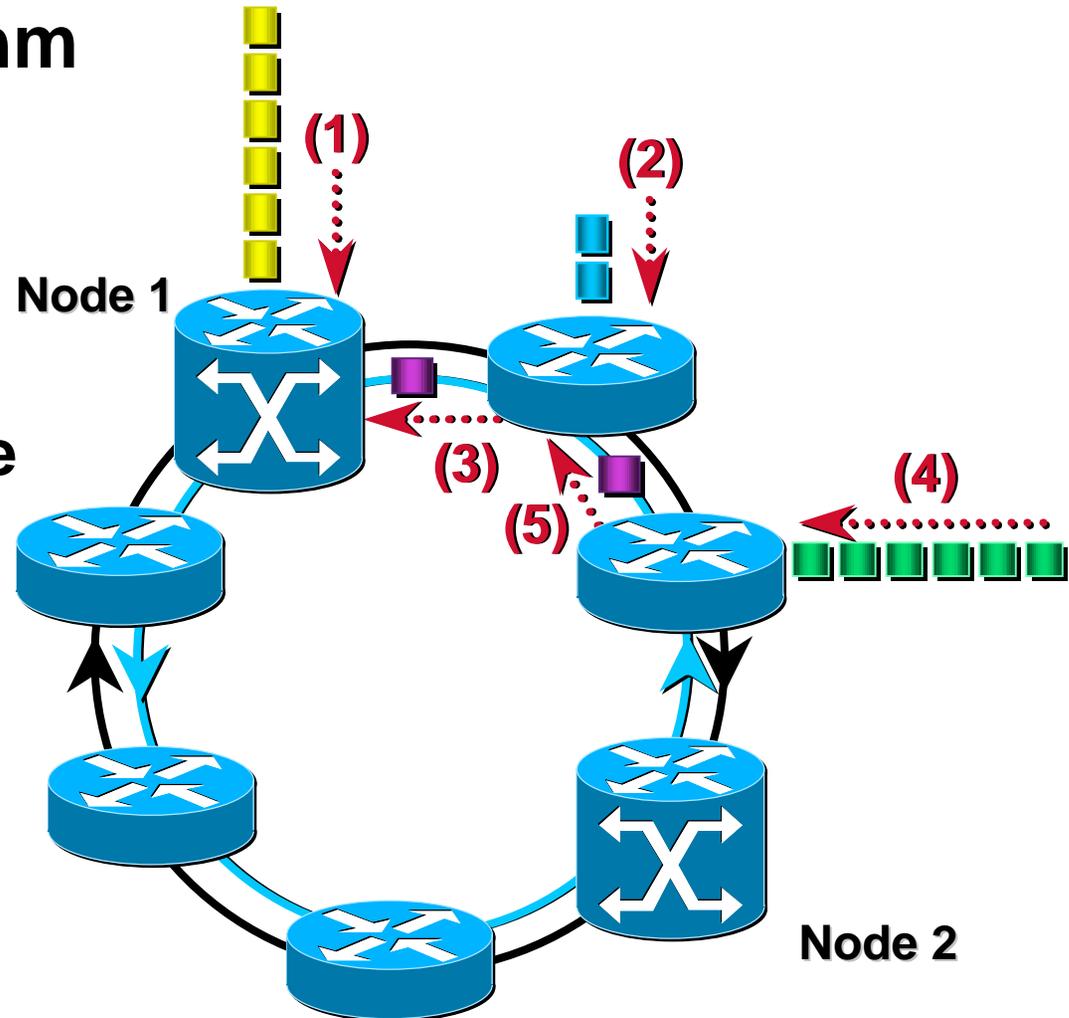
- **SRP fairness algorithm**

**Distributed algorithm**

**Propagates and uses  
MAC usage info**

**Source and forward rate  
controls**

**Rapid adaptation  
and convergence**

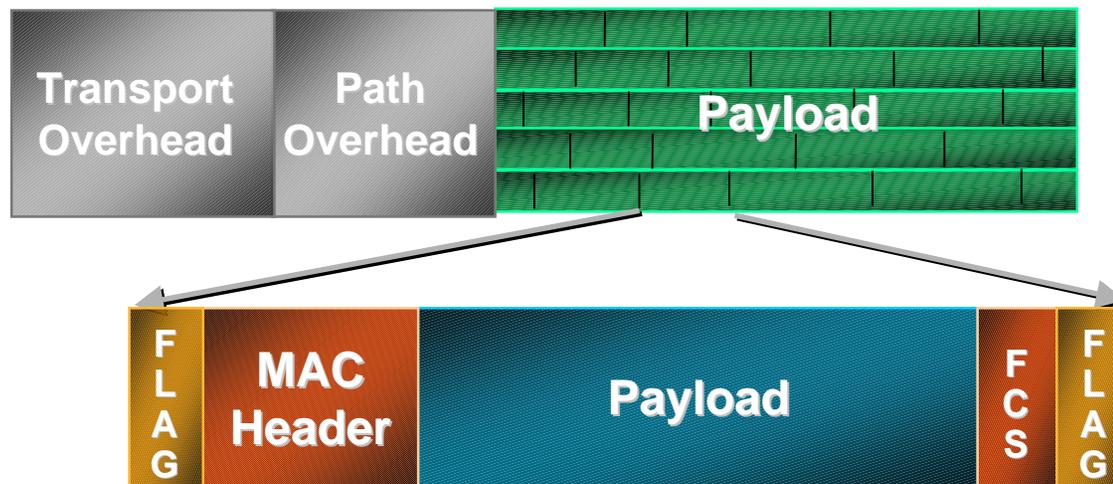


# SRP Overview

- **Scalable: Bit-rate; Circumference of ring; Up to 128 nodes**
- **Intelligent Protection Switching (IPS)**  
**Survivability in the event of single fiber / node failure, or signal degradation**
- **Media independent protocol**  
**Initial implementation uses SONET/SDH framing**

# SRP Packet

- SRP is a media independent MAC layer protocol
- The initial implementations utilizes Byte Synchronous HDLC within SONET/SDH framing (OC-12c, OC-48c, OC-192c)
- Allows transport via: Dark Fiber; SONET/SDH; WDM



# Comparison with DQDB

- **No segmentation and reassembly**  
complete packets stored and forwarded
- **Distributed fairness without master nodes**
- **Protection switching without master**
- **High priority traffic for delay sensitive applications**  
**No support for isochronous traffic**

# Comparison with FDDI

- **Greater than 2x bandwidth improvement**  
**both rings carry traffic**  
**Destination stripping allows spatial reuse**
- **No token to pass**
- **FDDI-2 supported isochronous traffic & master node**  
**not generally implemented**

# Summary

- **Scalable packet ring technology**  
**Bit-rate; Number of Nodes; Ring Circumference**
- **High bandwidth efficiency**
- **Cost effectiveness**
- **Distributed fault tolerance**
- **LAN, MAN and WAN applications**