



THESIS proposal in the area of optical fiber communications

OPTCOM GROUP
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...for information on our group activities



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■ Web site of the OptCom group:

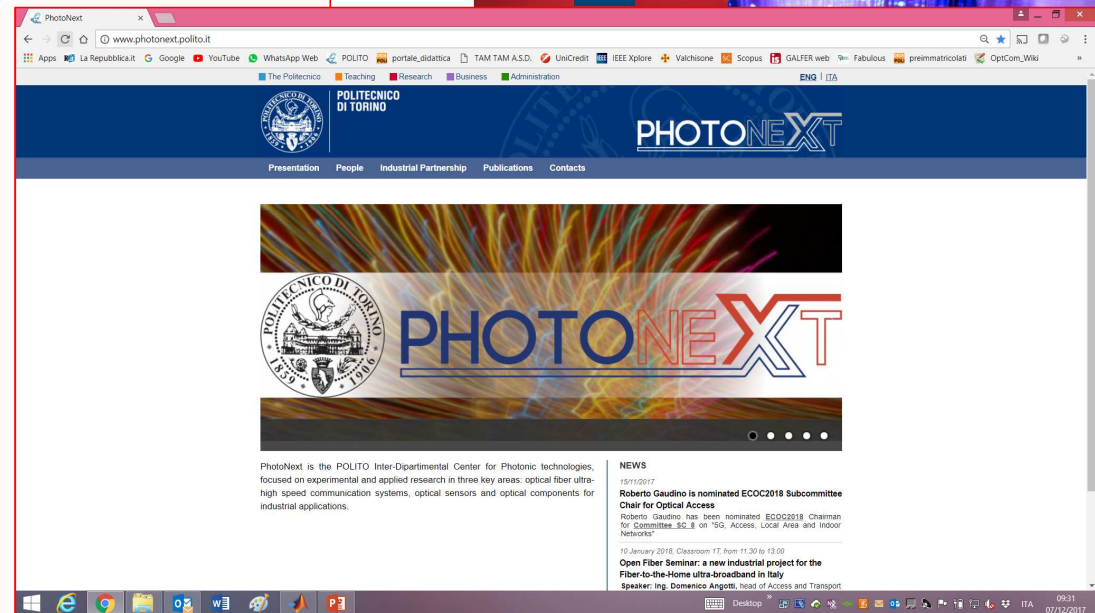
www.optcom.polito.it

■ The POLITO reference group for optical fiber communications

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■ Web site of the PhotoNext

Center: www.photonext.polito.it



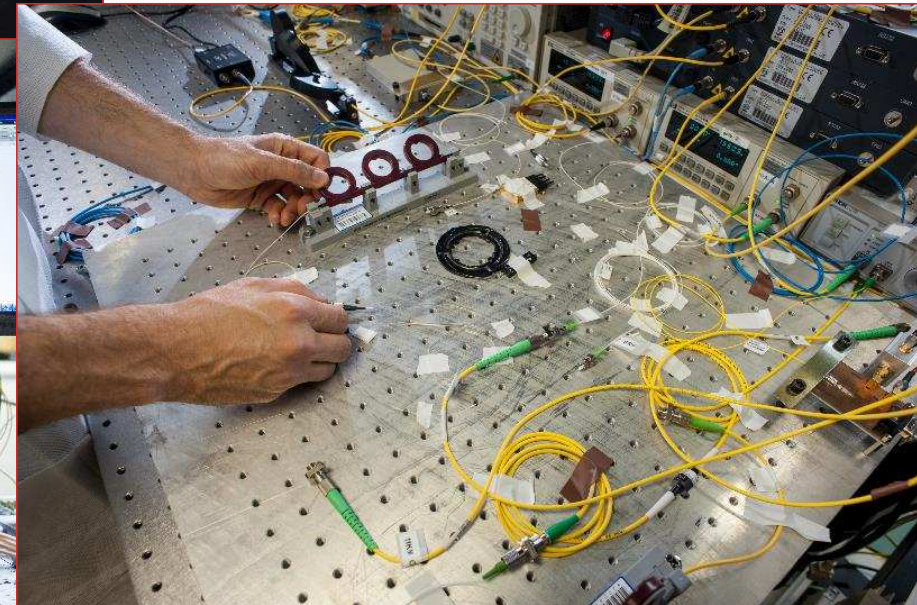
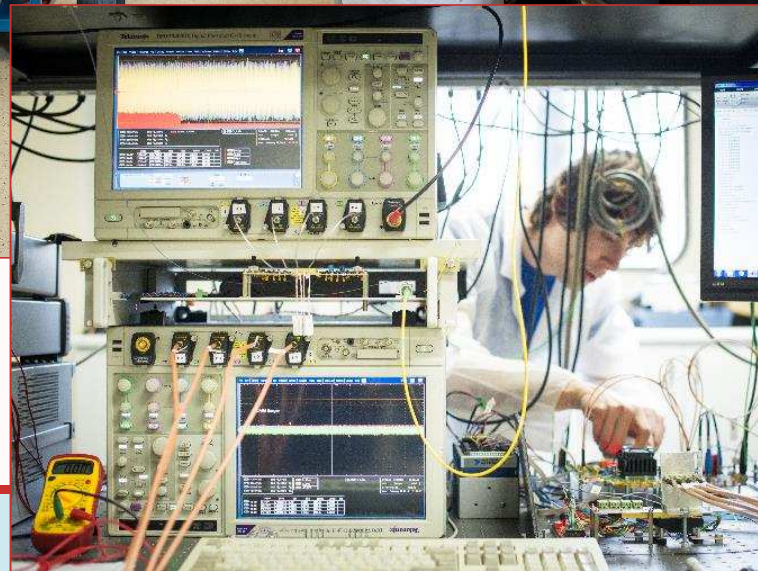
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- PhotoNext is a large experimental laboratory on Photonics

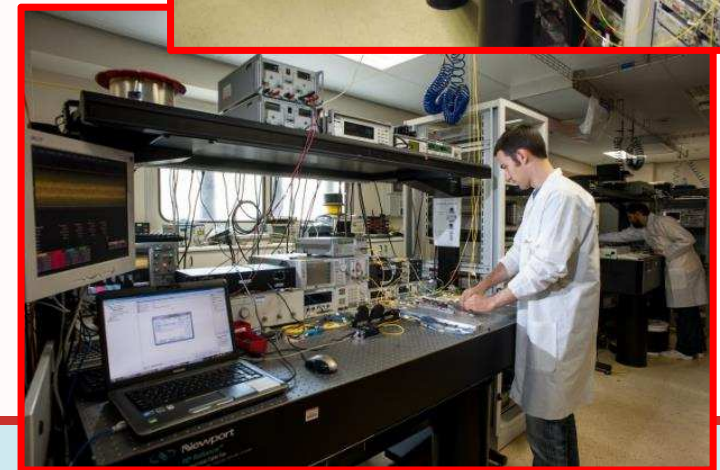
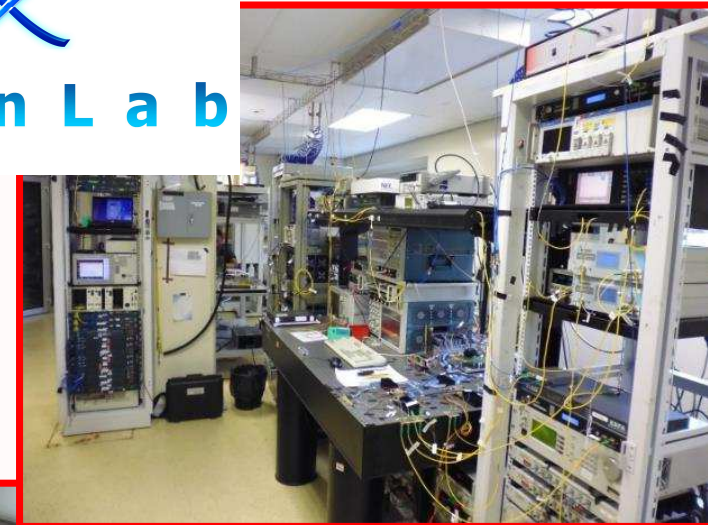


The laboratory on Photonics



- PhotoNext will use the same spaces of the previously existing PhotonLab
 - PhotonLab was opened in 2002 thanks to another similar “big Lab” initiative@POLITO

- PhotonLab is inside has a strong synergy with Istituto Superiore “Mario Boella” (ISMB)
 - A non-profit research center on ICT
 - POLITO is one of the two key founders
 - ISMB is focused on technology transfer (toward TRL 6)



PhotoNext budget (1.8 M€ in 2017-2020)



- Most of the budget will be used to acquire large experimental laboratory facilities



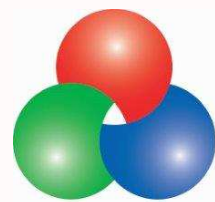
PhotoNext 2018 Best Thesis Award



- The PhotoNext Inter-Departmental Center is currently working on activating a “Best Thesis Award” for 2018
 - We are still working on it... further details at beginning of 2018
- The Award will be given in the “Day of Photonic” event

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Very likely the prize will be a 3 month paid internship in our group during the end of the Thesis work... to be confirmed!



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~~21 OCTOBER 2016~~

→ 2018

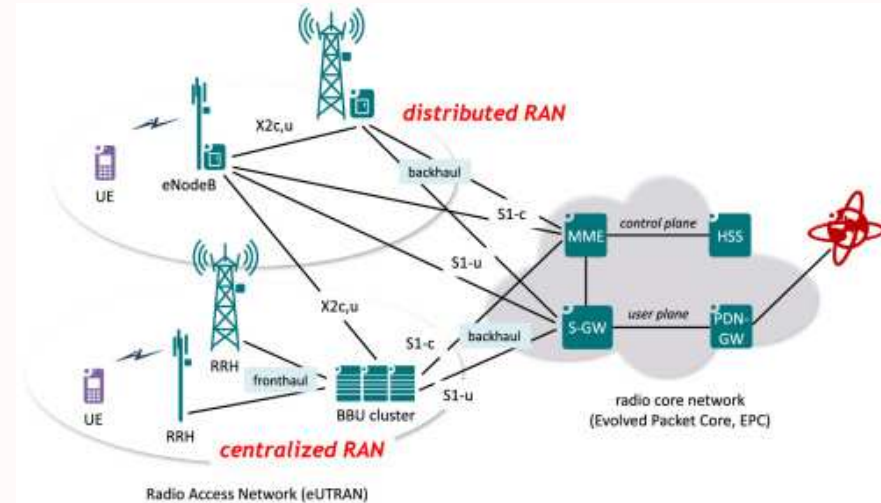


OPTCOM GROUP THESIS PROPOSALS FOR 2018

Fixed-mobile convergence on optical access networks



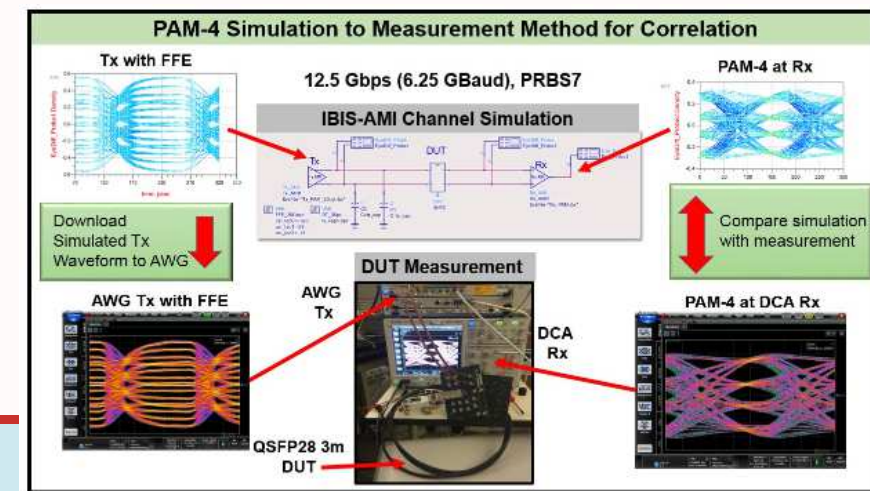
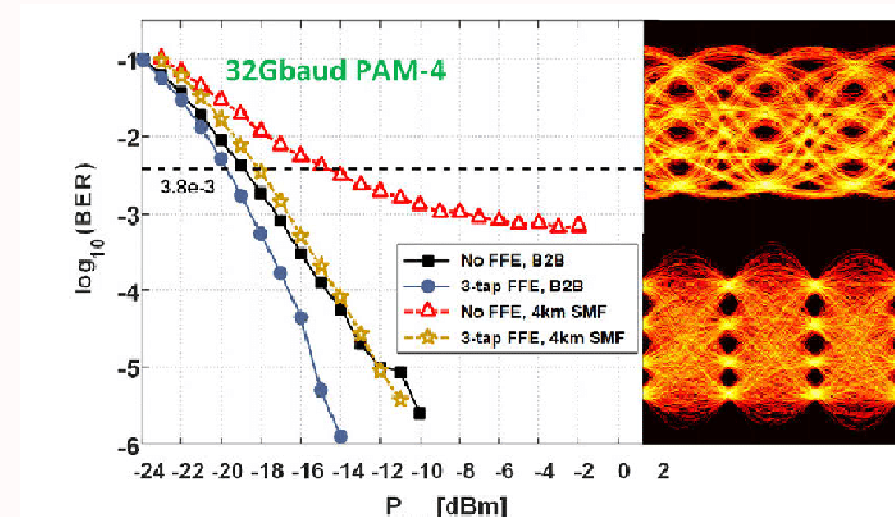
- **General area of interest:**
 - convergence of 5G physical layers for mobile networks and optical access networks
- **Specific work of this thesis**
 - Alternative solutions to transport 5G mobile ultra-broadband radio signal over access optical networks
 - Radio-over-Fiber (RoF approach)
- **Type of work**
 - Study of the 5G expected physical layer technologies (such as filtered OFDM)
 - Physical layer simulations using Matlab
 - Possibility for laboratory real experiments
 - At least six months full-time activity
- **Reference person**
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Alternative modulation formats and equalization for short reach optical communications



- **General area of interest:**
 - Ultra-high bit rate (from 50 to 200 Gbps) on a single wavelength on short reach optical systems
- **Specific work of this thesis**
 - Alternative modulation formats for ultra-high speed, low-cost direct detection short reach systems
- **Type of work**
 - Study of different kinds of modulations and equalization strategies
 - Physical layer simulations using Matlab
 - Possibility for laboratory real experiments
 - At least six months full-time activity
- **Reference person**
 - Roberto Gaudino, roberto.gaudino@polito.it
 - In collaboration with TIM (Telecom Italia) but carried out inside POLITO



Optical sensors inside optical access networks



General area of interest:

- Inserting optical sensors inside existing optical access networks
 - Can we use “telecom fibers” also for sensing applications?

Specific work of this thesis

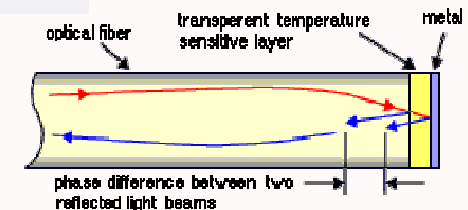
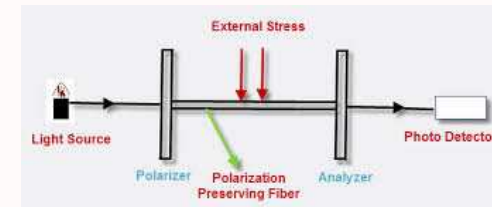
- The key questions to be investigated are:
 - What are the interesting applications? Such as: remote monitoring of long tunnels, disaster prevention in large cities, etc
 - Can existing optical sensors be remotely interrogated?
 - Is the techno-economic feasible?

Type of work

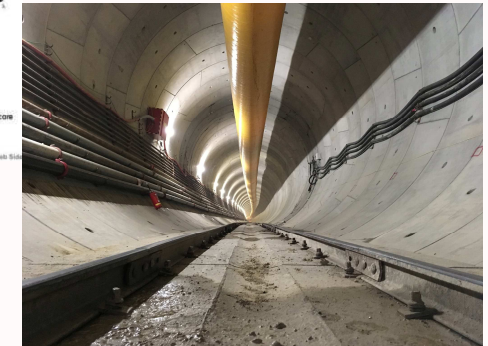
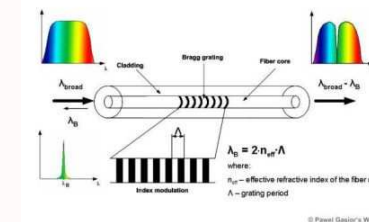
- Experimental activity in the lab
- Practical measurements on optical sensors (for temperature, mechanical stress and vibrations)

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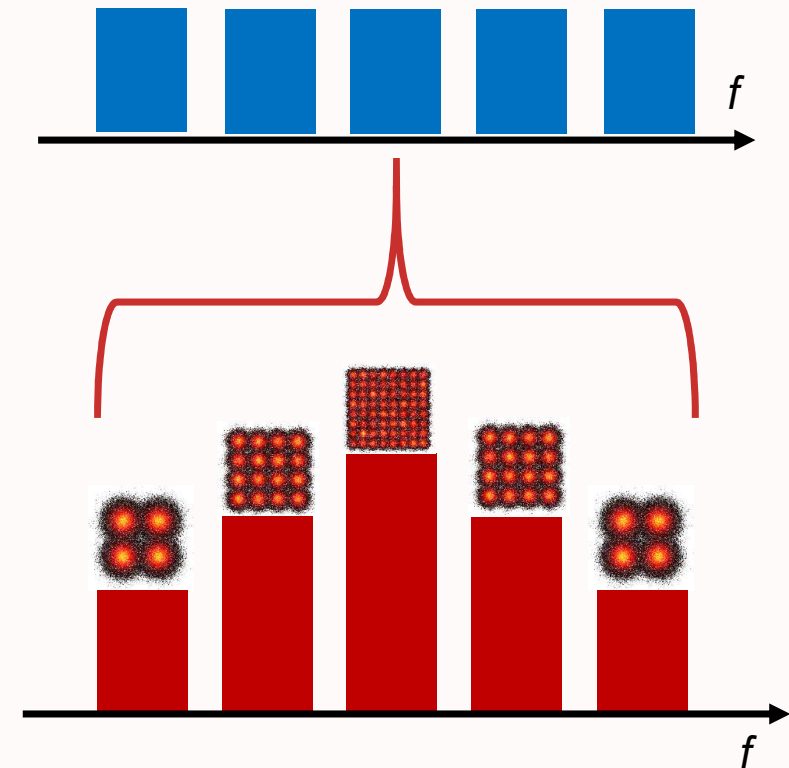


Fiber Optic Temperature Sensor Using Phase Interference



- **General area of interest:**
 - Long-haul (> 1000 km) high-capacity (> 10 Tbit/s) systems
- **Specific work of this thesis**
 - Control and performance optimization of an optical transmitter based on sub-carrier multiplexing
 - i.e. many closely spaced optical channels using frequency division multiplexing (FDM)
- **Type of work**
 - Study of different control algorithm for transmitter optimization
 - Physical layer simulations using Matlab
 - Possibility to analyze from real laboratory experiments
 - At least six months full-time activity
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Optical multi-subcarrier systems

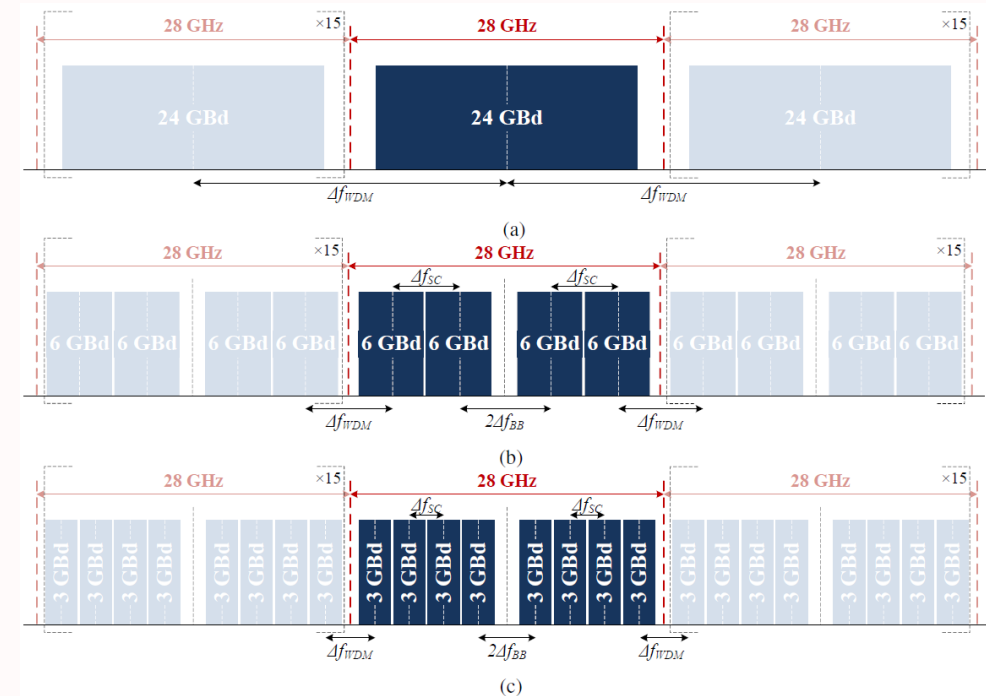


Mitigating NL distortions in long-haul transmission



- **General area of interest:**
 - Long-haul (> 1000 km) high-capacity (> 10 Tbit/s) systems
- **Specific work of this thesis**
 - Characterization and mitigation of non-linear interference (NLI)
- **Type of work**
 - Physical layer simulations using Matlab
 - Possibility to analyze from real laboratory experiments
 - At least six months full-time activity
- **Reference person**
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Optical multi-subcarrier systems



Ultra-Long-Haul High Capacity Transmission



- **General area of interest:**

- Ultra-high bit rate (from 100 to 1000 Gbps) on a single wavelength on long-haul optical systems

- **Specific work of this thesis**

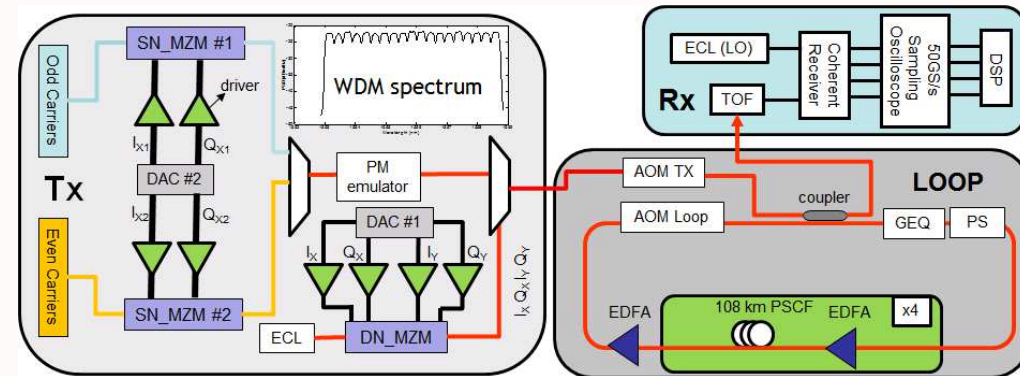
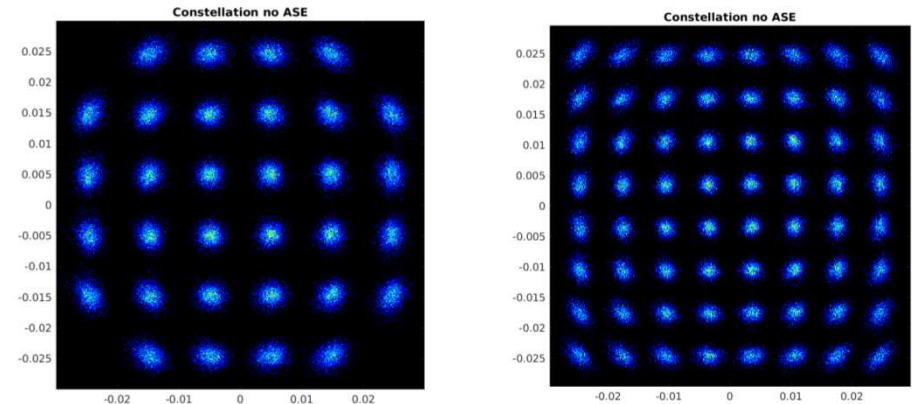
- modeling of fiber non-linear effects
- non-linearity mitigation techniques
- advanced transmission techniques
- new super-high-capacity transmission media (multicore and few-mode fibers)

- **Type of work**

- Study of different kinds of modulations and reception strategies
- Physical layer modeling and simulations using Matlab
- Possibility of cooperating on actual laboratory experiments
- At least six months full-time activity

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