

Scaling and Designing Nanomodulators for Chip-Level Integration

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In this talk, I will discuss nanomodulators with special emphasis on chip-level integration. Three key issues viz. energy/bit, areal and linear bandwidth density, and robustness will be addressed. Device-level ideas with novel control techniques to enable wide temperature range, direct digital logic driven modulators operating at sub 10 fJ/bit energy and >10 Tbit/mm² will be presented. I will then derive the fundamental scaling limits for the nanophotonic interconnects based on electro-optic device operation. I will show the scaling of total energy per bit, optical cross-over distance, bandwidth density and tuning power. These device figures of merit can be applied to any generic interconnect irrespective of the detailed physical working mechanism.

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