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Experience

Expert in Internet protocols, network architecture, distributed systems architecture, network virtualization, high-speed networking, network security, quantum nets, optical computing, and optical networking.

The Aerospace Corporation (8/2017 – present)

Principal Scientist (2/2021-present)

Previously Sr. Distributed Systems Data Architect 8/2017 – 2/2021.

Supporting the Engineering and Technology Group (ETG) Information Systems and Cyber Division (ISCD) by participating in and advising projects throughout the Aerospace portfolio on networking and distributed systems architecture, including protocols, cloud systems, hardware interfaces, and software services. Leads and supports the development of proliferated LEO hosted constellations, space backbone network architectures, satellite networking programs, cloud and ground systems, and quantum communications.

Independent Consultant (3/1992-present)

Consultant

Assessing the technological feasibility of Internet and distributed systems concepts.

USC / Information Sciences Institute (6/1992 – 8/2017)

Postel Center Director (10/2000 – 8/2017)

Previously: Project Leader 10/1995 – 10/2000, Computer Scientist 6/1992 – 10/1995.

Lead teams to develop large-scale proof-of-concept computer networks, distributed systems, and optical computers in software and hardware. Performed original research in the evolution of network and systems architecture. Experienced with Internet protocol standards, network virtualization, high-speed nets, network security, and optical networking.

- NSF INSPIRE [Optical Turing Machine](#) project to compute on in-transit data
- NSF FIND [Recursive Network Architecture \(RNA\)](#): a future Internet architecture
- DARPA DARPA F6 [DynaSat](#): Internet overlays stack for distributed satellite clusters
- DARPA [POW](#) and [OCDMA](#): optical Internet WAN and LAN architectures.
- NSF [OptIPuter](#): high-speed security supporting optical high-performance computing.
- NSF [NetFS](#): a file system interface for network configuration.
- NSF [X-Tend](#): development of the X-Bone system for academic and research use.
- NSA Agile Tunnels ([ATP](#)): using floating tunnel links to avoid DDOS attacks.
- DARPA [ALN](#): using automated machine learning to tune transport protocols.
- DARPA [X-Bone](#) and [DynaBone](#): automated deployment and management of IP overlay networks and multilayer overlays to resist denial-of-service attacks.
- DARPA [Large-Scale Active Middleware](#): low-latency multicast web system.

- DARPA [ATOMIC-2](#): analyzed MD5 (code in Cisco IOS), developed a high-speed host gateway, dynamic routing for experimental LANs.
- DARPA [PC-ATOMIC](#): a high-speed i486 VL-bus interface for the ATOMIC LAN.

Also participated on optical aggregation as Working Group 2 Co-Lead of the NSF Engineering Research [Center for Integrated Access Networks \(CIAN\)](#), the system architecture of the LA DWP Smart Grid, the room sensor prototype of the Building Level Energy Management System (BLEMS), the design of a space Internet (TCA), and the user interface for ISI's *mmcc* teleconference tool, ported Bellcore's Touring Machine.

Research Associate Professor (CS 6/2002-8/2017, EE joint 6/2003-8/2017)
Previously: CS Assistant 2/1994 – 6/2002.

Revised and taught a new “First Principles” approach to [EE450 Computer Networks](#) (Spring 2015-Fall 2016). Previously revised and taught [CSCI555 Advanced Operating Systems](#) (Springs 1994-1996), [CSCI558L Internetworking and Distributed Systems Lab](#) (Summer 2001) and ISI's [Summer Graduate Research Experience Program \(SGREP\)](#) (1999-2004).

US Air Force (10/2006 – 9/2010) on-loan via Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA)

Space and Missile Center (SMC) MCTG TSAT Sr. Network Engineer

Advised the Transformational Communications Satellite (TSAT) program, serving as a subject expert on Internet and optical networking issues for two concurrent \$500M risk-reduction efforts coordinated with ground/network architecture and terminals.

SMC MCTG Advanced Concepts Group (ACG) Network Chief

Advised the ACG on future satellite network architectures and Internet issues.

Education

[University of Pennsylvania](#)

Ph.D., 5/1992, Computer and Information Science,
Advisor: David J Farber, Dissertation Title: [Mirage: A Model for Latency in Communication](#).
Supported by DARPA's Info. Science and Tech. Office, contract NAG-2-639 entitled “Mirage” and AT&T Grad. Research Fellowship #111349.

[Cornell University](#)

M.S., 8/1987, Computer Science, Advisor: Ken Birman.

[University of Scranton](#)

B.S., 8/1985, *Summa cum Laude* with Honors, Biophysics and Computer Science,
Presidential I (full-tuition, 4-year) Scholarship, Award for Excellence in Computer Science.
Honor societies: [Alpha Sigma Nu](#) (general, Jesuit; secretary), [Sigma Pi Sigma](#) (physics),
[Upsilon Pi Epsilon](#) (CS; chapter founder), [Sigma Xi](#) (sci. research, Assoc. 1984, Full 1993).

Memberships

[ACM](#) (student 1983, member 1992, senior 2010, distinguished scientist 2010), [Sigcomm](#).
[IEEE](#) (student 1983, member 1992, senior 2002) [Comm. Society](#), [Computer Society](#).
[OSA](#) (member 2013, senior 2014).

Honors:

ACM Distinguished Scientist (2010), Senior Member (2010).
DARPA Fault Tolerant Networking Award for Excellence in Academic Research (2003).
IEEE Senior Member (2002), ComSoc Distinguished Lecturer (2013-2014),
Tech. Committee on Computer Communications (TCCC) Outstanding Service Award (2013), Internet Tech. Committee (ITC) Outstanding Service Award (2016).
OSA Senior Member (2014), Traveling Lecturer (2016-present).
PTI Tech. Achievement Winner (with Santa Monica's Public Electronic Network) (1996).
USAF TSAT Space Segment Civilian of the Quarter (1Q2007), Civilian of the Year (2007).

Funding

PI	DARPA	PC-ATOMIC	1994-1995 (1 year, \$340K)
PI	DARPA	ATOMIC-2	1994-1997 (4 years, \$2.1M)
Co-author, PI	DARPA	LSAM	1995-1998 (3 years, \$3M)
Author, PI	DARPA	X-Bone	1998-2001 (3 years, \$2.5M)
Author, PI	DARPA	DynaBone	2001-2004 (3 years, \$2M)
Author, PI	NSF	NetFS	2001-2006 (4.5 years, \$480K)
Author, PI	NSF	X-Tend	2002-2006 (3.5 years, \$500K)
Co-author, co-PI	DARPA	ALN	2005-2006 (1 year, \$400K)
Author, PI	NSA	Agile Tunnels	2005-2006 (1 year, \$75K)
Author, PI	NSF	RNA	2006-2012 (6 years, \$350K)
Author, PI	USAF	PROS	2006-2010 (4 years, \$1.4M)
Co-author, Co-PI	NSF ERC	CIAN	2008-2015 (7 years, \$600K)
Author, PI	NSF	RNA-Suppl	2010-2012 (2 yrs, \$80K)
Author, PI	DARPA	DynaSat	2011 (0.5 yrs, \$850K)
Author, PI	NSF	INSPIRE-OTM	2013-2017 (3.5 years, \$750K)
Co-author, Co-PI	NSF	HUMAN REU	2017-2020 (3 years, \$360K)

Research Areas

[Virtual and overlay networks](#) (incl. multilayer overlays, application deployment)
[Optical network interfaces, switching architectures, computation, and devices](#)
[High performance / zero configuration network security protocols](#)
Automated Internet configuration and deployment
High-speed protocols and networks and network architecture
Empirical protocol, algorithm, and system performance (esp. TCP performance)
Web cache design and performance (incl. multicast web caches)
Latency reduction (reducing various sources of time delay and the use of anticipation)

Professional Activities

Society/Organization Officer:

[ACM Sigcomm](#): Secretary/Treasurer (2002-03), Conference Coordinator (2003-07), Conference Coordinator Emeritus (2007-11)

IANA Port Expert Review Team leader (2008-present)

[IEEE Communications Society](#): [TC on Gigabit Networking \(TCGN\)](#) (chair 1999-2001, vice-chair 1996-99), [Internet TC](#) (co-chair 2000-04), [TC on Computer Communications \(TCCC\)](#) (chair 2008-12), [Director of Conference Operations](#) (2012-13)

IETF Area Review Triage (ART)/Directorate member: [Transport](#) (2008-present), [SmartPower](#) (2011-14)

IRSG member (2010-12)

[IRTF Virtual Networks Research Group \(VNRG\)](#) (co-creator, chair 2010-12)

[OSA TC on Nonlinear Optics](#) (chair 2017, vice-chair 2016-17, tech event chair 2015-16)

Sigma Xi membership reviewer (2015-present)

Editorial Board member:

Elsevier's Journal of Computer and Systems Sciences 2007-15

Elsevier's Computer Networks (and ISDN Systems, formerly) 1999-2006

IEEE Network 1997-2012

Conference Steering Committees:

ACM Sigcomm Conext ReArch Steering Committee 2008-10

AsiaFI Board 2015-present

Global Future Internet Summit 2011-present

IARIA Int'l Conf. on Internet Surveillance & Protection (ICISP) Advisory Committee 2006

IEEE FutureNet Steering Committee 2011-12

IEEE Infocom Standing Committee 2005-12

IEEE Global Internet Steering Committee 2000-12 (Chair)

IEEE Workshop on Internet Applications Steering Committee 1999-2005

Conference Leadership:

ACM Sigcomm (Publicity Chair 2000, Finance Chair 2001, Registration/Finance Chair 2012)

ACM Sigcomm CoNext ReArch Workshop (Chair 2008)

AsiaFI Conference on Future Internet (CFI) (Tech. Co-Chair 2011, Co-Chair 2012)

DOE Network 2025 Challenges (organizing committee, 2016)

IEEE Computer Communications Workshop (Finance Chair 2009, Chair 2010)

IEEE Global Internet Workshop (Chair 2005)

IEEE High-Speed (fmr. Gigabit) Netw. Workshop (CoChair 1997, 1999; Chair 1998)

IEEE ICCCN Network Arch. and Protocols (Chair 2009)

IEEE Infocom (Internet Co-chair 1999, TPC Chair 2006)

IEEE ICC FutureNet IV (Chair 2011)

IFIP Protocols for High-Speed Networks (Co-chair 1999)

Optical Internet Workshop (Chair 1997)
SPIE Opticomm (Vice General Chair 2001)

Conference/Workshop Technical Program Committees:

ACM Sigcomm Asia Workshop 2005
ACM Sigcomm 2001
ACM Dynamic Interconnection of Networks Workshop (at Mobicom) 2005
Asia Internet Engineering Conference (AINTEC) 2012, 2018
Conference on Comm. Systems and Networks (COMSNETS) 2012
ENext CoNext Workshop 2006-2007
IARIA Int'l Conf. on Internet Surveillance & Protection (ICISP) 2006
IEEE Conference on High Speed Networks 1999, 2000
IEEE Conference on Networks for Grid Applications (GridNets) 2007
IEEE Global Internet Workshop 1996-1999, 2001-2006, 2008-12
IEEE High-Speed (fmr. Gigabit) Netw. Workshop 1996-2012
IEEE ICC (was Globecom) FutureNet Workshop 2009-12
IEEE ICCCN Future Internet Arch. and Protocols 2008
IEEE Infocom 1994-2003, 2005-14
IEEE Infocom Works in Progress 2010
IEEE International Conference on Network Protocols (ICNP) 2002-03, 2005-06
IEEE Openarch 2002-03
IEEE Network Storage Symposium 1999
IEEE Symposium on Internet Services and Enabling Technologies (ISET) 2006
IEEE Workshop on Computer Communications 1997
IEEE Workshop on Internet Applications 1999-2001
IEEE Workshop on Long-Delay Broadband Networks 1997
IFIP Networking 2016
IFIP Protocols for High-Speed Networks 1994-2002
IFIP/IEEE International Symposium on Integrated Network Management (IM) 2019
IRTF Applied Network Research Prize (ANRP) Committee 2013-present
OSA Photonics in Switching 2012-2014
Physics of Computation Workshop 1994
Protocols for Future, Large-Scale and Diverse Network Transports (PFLDNeT) 2009-10

Internal Activities

Advisor to USC Joint Educational Project (JEP) on Internet/computer literacy (2014-15)
USC Ambassador (2005-17)
USC Faculty Senate Research Committee (2015-16) and International Collaborations.
USC Faculty Senate Committee on Non-Tenure-Track Faculty Affairs (2011-13, 2014-15)
USC Viterbi Engineering Faculty Council NTT Participation Committee (2013-14)

Publications

[G/general, I/Internet, O/optical, P/performance, Q/quantum, S/security, V/virtualization]

Patents

Received:

- O J. Touch, J. Bannister, S. Suryaputra, "Packet Switch with Separate Look Ahead, Computation, and Shift Phases," U.S. Patent #8,306,047, Univ. of Southern California, July 2010 (granted Nov. 2012).
- I J. Touch, Y. Wang, L. Eggert, "Routable Network Subnet Relocation System and Methods," U.S. Patent #7,653,746, University of Southern California, Aug. 2002 (granted Jan. 26, 2010).
- O P. V. Kumar, R. Omrani, J. Touch, A. E. Willner, P. Saghari, "Code cycle modulation in optical code division multiple access systems," U.S. Patent #7,616,618, Univ. of Southern California, Nov. 2005 (granted Nov. 10, 2009).
- O J. Bannister, J. Touch, P. Kamath, A. Patel, J. McGeehan, A. E. Willner, "A Method to Forward Internet Packets Without Conversion from an Optical to an Electronic Format," U.S. Patent #7,369,766, University of Southern California, Sept. 2001 (granted May 6, 2008).
- P J. Touch, D. Farber, "Memory-side driven anticipatory instruction transfer interface with processor-side instruction selection," U.S. Patent #5,353,419, Univ. of Penn., Sept. 1991 (granted Oct. 4, 1994).

Pending:

- I J. Touch, Y. Wang, L. Eggert, "Cooperative Network Boundary Traversal," U.S. Patent Disclosure, University of Southern California, Dec. 2003.

Books/Special Issues/Published Tutorials

- O J. Touch, A.-H. Badawy, V. Sorger, "Optical Computing," Special issue, *Nanophotonics* V6, N3, May, 2017, pp. 503-505.
- G J. Touch, "Understanding Latency - a Root Cost and Mitigation Approach," Tutorial at IEEE Globecom 2014, IEEE CCNC 2016, ACM Sigcomm 2017.
- GVI J. Touch, "A First-Principles Approach to Computer Networking," Tutorial at IEEE CCNC 2017, IEEE CCNC 2018.
- I J. Quittek, J. Touch, "Recent Advances in IETF Standards," Special Issue, *IEEE Network*, V49 N4, Apr. 2011, pp. 76-77.
- O J. Touch, "Components developed for all-optical Internet router," SPIE Newsroom article (PDF also available), Sept. 24, 2008.
- G A. Azcorra, J. Touch, Z. Zhang, "Selected Papers on Wireless and Mobility from IEEE INFOCOM," *IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing*, V6, N6, June 2007, pp. 577-578.
- P K. Kobayashi, P. Vicat-Blanc, J. Touch, Guest Editors, Special Issue on the Protocols for Fast, Long-Distance Networks, *Computer Networks*, V51 I7, May 2007, pp. 1745-1747.
- V J. Touch, "Virtual and Overlay Networks," Tutorial available at IEEE Tutorials Now, 2005, also presented at IEEE ICNP 2004 and IEEE Infocom 2005.

- V J. Touch, "Overlay Networks," Chapter in *Practical Handbook of Internet Computing*, ed. M. P. Singh, CRC Press, Sept. 2004, ISBN 1-58488-381-2.
- G M. Hofman, R. Kravets, J. Touch, Guest Editors, *Special Issue on the Global Internet, Computer Networks, V45 I1*, May 2004, pp. 1-3.
- G J. Touch, J. Postel, "Network Infrastructure," Chapter in *The Grid 2: Blueprint for a New Computing Infrastructure*, ed. I. Foster, C. Kesselman, Morgan Kaufmann/Elsevier, Nov. 2003, ISBN 1-55860-933-4.
- V J. Touch, Guest Editor, *Special Issue on Overlay Networks, Computer Networks, V36 I2-3*, July 2001, pp. 115-116.
- O J. Bannister, J. Senior, J. Touch (eds.), *OptiComm 2001: Optical Networking and Communications*, Proceedings of the SPIE, V4599, August 2001.
- P J. Sterbenz, J. Touch, *High Speed Networking: A Systematic Approach to High-Bandwidth Low-Latency Communication*, Wiley, May 2001.
- P J. Touch, J. Sterbenz (eds.), *Protocols for High Speed Networks VI*, Kluwer, August 1999.
- G J. Postel, J. Touch, "Network Infrastructure," chapter in *Computational Grids: The Future of High-Performance Distributed Computing*, ed. I. Foster and C. Kesselman, Morgan Kaufmann, Aug. 1998, ISBN 1-55860-475-8.
- P J. Touch, *Mirage: A Model for Latency in Communication*, Ph.D. Dissertation, Univ. of Pennsylvania, Dept. of Computer and Information Science (CIS) Tech. Report MS-CIS-92-42, DSL-11, Jan. 1992.

Refereed Journals

- O A. Fallahpour, F. Alishahi, Y. Cao, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, A. Almainan, P. Liao, C. Bao, M. Ziyadi, B. Shamee, J. Touch, M. Tur, A. E. Willner, "Experimental demonstration of tunable de-aggregation from 16-QAM to 4-PAM for two wavelength multiplexed channels using wave mixing in a single nonlinear element to map constellation onto axes," *Optics Communications*, V451, Nov. 2019, pp. 74-79.
- O F. Alishahi, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, A. Fallahpour, Y. Cao, A. Almainan, P. Liao, C. Bao, B. Shamee, H. Zhou, A. N. Willner, J. Touch, M. Tur, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, A. E. Willner, "Optical Mitigation of Interchannel Crosstalk for Multiple Spectrally Overlapped 20 Gbaud QPSK/16-QAM WDM Channels using Nonlinear Wave Mixing," *IEEE/OSA Journal of Lightwave Technology*, (invited paper), V37 N2, Jan. 2019, pp. 548-554.
- O Y. Cao, H. Song, Y. Akasaka, P. Liao, A. Almainan, F. Alishahi, A. Fallahpour, C. Bao, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, T. Ikeuchi, D. Starodubov, J. Touch, M. Tur, A. E. Willner, "Raman-assisted phase sensitive amplifier using fiber Bragg grating based tunable phase shifter," *Optics Letters*, V24 N16, Aug 2018, pp. 3949-3952.
- O A. Almainan, Y. Cao, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, M. Ziyadi, P. Liao, C. Bao, F. Alishahi, A. Fallahpour, B. Shamee, Y. Akasaka, T. Ikeuchi, S. Wilkinson, J. Touch, M. Tur, A. E. Willner, "Phase-sensitive QPSK channel phase quantization by amplifying the fourth-harmonic idler using counter-propagating Brillouin amplification," *Optics Communications*, V423, Sept. 2018, pp. 48-52.

- O Y. Cao, A. Almainan, M. Ziyadi, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, C. Bao, P. Liao, F. Alishahi, A. Fallahpour, Y. Akasaka, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, J. Touch, M. Tur, A. E. Willner, “[Reconfigurable Channel Slicing and Stitching for an Optical Signal to Enable Fragmented Bandwidth Allocation Using Nonlinear Wave Mixing and an Optical Frequency Comb](#),” *IEEE/OSA Journal of Lightwave Technology*, (invited paper), V36 N2, Jan. 2018, pp. 440-446.
- O Y. Cao, M. Ziyadi, A. Almainan, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, P. Liao, C. Bao, F. Alishahi, A. Fallahpour, B. Shamee, A. J. Willner, Y. Akasaka, T. Ikeuchi, S. Wilkinson, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, J. Touch, M. Tur, A. E. Willner, “[Pilot-tone based self-homodyne detection using optical nonlinear wave mixing](#),” *Optics Letters*, V42 N9, May 2017, pp. 1840-1843.
- O J. Touch, Y. Cao, M. Ziyadi, A. Almainan, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, A.E. Willner, “[Digital optical processing of optical communications: Towards an Optical Turing Machine](#),” *Nanophotonics*, Spec. issue on Optical Computation, V6, N3, May, 2017, pp. 507-530.
- OI J. Touch, J. Bannister, S. Suryaputra, A. E. Willner, “[A Design for an Internet Router with a Digital Optical Data Plane](#),” *Applied Sciences*, Spec. Issue on Optical Modulators and Switches, V7 N2, 143, Feb. 2017, pp. 1-19, doi:[10.3390/app7020143](#).
- O A. Almainan, Y. Cao, M. Ziyadi, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, P. Liao, C. Bao, F. Alishahi, B. Shamee, A. Fallahpour, B. Shamee, N. Ahmed, A.J. Willner, Y. Akasaka, T. Ikeuchi, S. Takasaka, R. Sugizaki, S. Wilkinson, J. Touch, M. Tur, A.E. Willner, “[Experimental Demonstration of Phase-Sensitive Regeneration of a BPSK Channel without Phase-Locked Loop using Brillouin Amplification](#),” *Optics Letters*, V41 N23, Dec. 2016, pp. 5434-5437.
- O A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, M. Ziyadi, A. Almainan, Y. Cao, F. Alishahi, M.-R. Chitgarha, A. Fallahpour, C. Bao, P. Liao, B. Shamee, Y. Akasaka, J.-Y. Yang, M. Sekiya, J. Touch, M. Tur, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, A. E. Willner, “[Simultaneous all-optical phase noise mitigation and automatically locked homodyne reception of an incoming QPSK data signal](#),” *Optics Letters*, V41 N20, Oct. 2016, pp. 4779-4782.
- O Y. Cao, M. Ziyadi, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, A. Almainan, P. Liao, C. Bao, F. Alishahi, A. Fallahpour, B. Shamee, J.-Y. Yang, Y. Akasaka, M. Sekiya, M. Tur, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, J. Touch, A. E. Willner, “[Reconfigurable Optical Inter-Channel Interference Mitigation for Spectrally Overlapped QPSK Signals using Nonlinear Wave Mixing in Cascaded PPLN Waveguides](#),” *Optics Letters*, V41 N14, July 2016, pp. 3233-3266.
- O A. Almainan, M. Ziyadi, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, Y. Cao, M.-R. Chitgarha, P. Liao, C. Bao, B. Shamee, N. Ahmed, F. Alishahi, A. Fallahpour, Y. Akasaka, J.-Y. Yang, M. Sekiya, J. Touch, M. Tur, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, A. E. Willner, “[Experimental demonstration of tunable homodyne detection of WDM and dual-polarization PSK channels by automatically locking the channels to a local pump laser using nonlinear mixing](#),” *Optics Letters*, V41 N12, June 2016, pp. 2680-2683.
- O Y. Cao, M. Ziyadi, Y. Akasaka, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, J.-Y. Yang, A. Almainan, P. Liao, S. Takasaka, R. Sugizaki, J. Touch, M. Sekiya, M. Tur, A. E. Willner, “[All optical signal level swapping and multi-level amplitude noise mitigation using different regions of optical parametric gain](#),” *Optics Letters*, V41 N4, February 2016, pp. 677-680.

- M. Ziyadi, M.-R. Chitgarha, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, Y. Cao, S. Khaleghi, A. Almainan, J. Touch, L. Paraschis, M. Tur, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, A. E. Willner, “[Optical Channel Deaggregation of Quadrature-phase-shift-keying and Eight-phase-shift-keying Data Using Mapping onto Constellation Axes](#),” *Optics Letters*, V40 N21, November 2015, pp. 4899-4902.
- M. Ziyadi, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, M.-R. Chitgarha, S. Khaleghi, A. Almainan, Y. Cao, A. Abouzaid, M. Tur, L. Paraschis, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, J. Touch, A. E. Willner, “[Tunable RF Photonics Filter using a Comb-based Optical Tapped-Delay-Line with an Optical Nonlinear Multiplexer](#),” *Optics Letters*, V40 N14, July 2015, pp. 3284-3287.
- A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, M. Ziyadi, M.-R. Chitgarha, A. Almainan, Y. Cao, J.-Y. Yang, Y. Akasaka, M. Sekiya, J. Touch, M. Tur, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, A. E. Willner, “[Phase noise mitigation of QPSK signal utilizing phase-locked multiplexing of signal harmonics and amplitude saturation](#),” *Optics Letters*, V40 N14, July 2015, pp. 3328-3331.
- A. Almainan, M.-R. Chitgarha, W. Daab, M. Ziyadi, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, S. Khaleghi, M. Willner, V. Vusirikala, X. Zhao, D. Kilper, L. Paraschis, A. Ahsan, M. Wang, K. Bergman, M. Tur, J. Touch, A. E. Willner, “[Experimental demonstration of robustness and accuracy of a DLI-based OSNR monitor under changes in the transmitter and link for different modulation formats and baud rates](#),” *Optics Letters*, V40 N9, May 2015, pp. 2012-2015.
- M.-R. Chitgarha, Y. Cao, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, M. Ziyadi, S. Khaleghi, A. Almainan, J. Touch, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, A. E. Willner, “[Tunable Homodyne Detection of an Incoming QPSK Data Signal using Two Fixed Pump Lasers](#),” *IEEE/OSA Journal of Lightwave Technology*, (invited paper), Apr. 2015, pp. 1344-1350.
- M.-R. Chitgarha, S. Khaleghi, M. Ziyadi, A. Almainan, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, O. Gerstel, L. Paraschis, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, J. Touch, A. E. Willner, “[Demonstration of tunable optical generation of higher-order modulation formats using nonlinearities and coherent frequency comb](#),” *Optics Letters*, V39 N16, August 2014, pp. 4915-4918.
- M.-R. Chitgarha, S. Khaleghi, W. Daab, M. Ziyadi, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, D. Rogawski, M. Tur, J. Touch, V. Vusirikala, W. Zhao, A. E. Willner, “[Demonstration of in-service WDM OSNR performance monitoring and operating guidelines for coherent data channels with different modulation formats and various baud rates](#),” *Optics Letters*, V39 N6, March 2014, pp. 1605-1608.
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- M. Ziyadi, M.-R. Chitgarha, A. Mohajerin-Ariaei, S. Khaleghi, A. Almainan, M. Willner, J. Touch, Y. Akasaka, J.-Y. Yang, M. Sekiya, M. Tur, L. Paraschis, C. Langrock, M. Fejer, A. E. Willner “[Optical Nyquist Signal Channel Generation using a Comb-based Tunable Optical Tapped-Delay-Line](#),” *Optics Letters*, V39 N23, Dec. 2014, pp. 6585–6588.
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Salman Khaleghi, "High-Speed and Reconfigurable All-Optical Signal Processing for Phase and Amplitude Modulated Signals," USC EE (Alan Willner, EE, chair), May 2013.

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Areas of Research and Collaborators (*=active)

Network Architecture

- *Satellite network architecture (DynaSat)
- *Recursive network architectures (RNA) (BU, Col. State)
- *Virtual nets via 2-layer tunneling for dynamic routing, IPsec, revisitation, multilayer DDoS protection (X-Bone, DynaBone, Agile Tunnels) (Penn State, Purdue, GMU)
- *Automation, abstractions for network management (Instant Infrastructure, TetherNet, Turnkey Nets)
- *IP header options to support network layer peer services (DataRouter)
- Geographic networks (GONet) (Finn)
- Network control API as a file system (NetFS) (Eggert, Wang)
- IPsec transport and tunnel mode interactions (Eggert, Wang, Kent, Hagino)
- Application deployment on virtual overlay networks (Wang, Ardaiz)
- Architecture for smart spaces (Personal Node) (Finn)
- Implications of link protocol capabilities on support for Internet protocols (Karn)
- Configuring end hosts for fault-tolerant routing (Faber)

Protocol Performance:

- *Low-effort/high-performance network security
- *Latency reduction (Hughes)
- *Configurations for high-performance (Faber)
- *TCP and UDP extension (Faber)
- Slow-start restart avoidance mechanism (Hughes, Floyd)
- Control block sharing and multiplexing to coordinate parallel connections (Heidemann, Eggert, Welzl)

Network Hardware:

- *Digital optical computer design (Willner)
- *Optical router design (Bannister, Kamath, Patel, Hauer, McGeehan, Suryaputra, Willner)
- Peer DMA for high-speed host-based routers (Hutton)
- IP checksum hardware implementation (Parham)
- Performance limits of MD5 authentication hash
- Network interface design (LaCoss)

Web Caching:

- Inter-application sharing for advanced prefetching (Hughes)
- Web performance over TCP (Eggert, Heidemann, Obraczka)
- Self-organizing cache hierarchies and multicast for self-tuning content delivery nets (Hotz, Hughes)

Community Service:

- *Maintain end2end-interest, internet-history, computer-history email lists
- Developed a tethered tunnel system to simplify DARPA demos (TetherNet) (Wang)
- Codify email and technical sponsorship procedures for IEEE TCGN, ITC, TCCC technical committees
- Codify budget procedures for ACM Sigcomm conference planning
- Codify paper submission, plagiarism, and republication policies for EDAS