

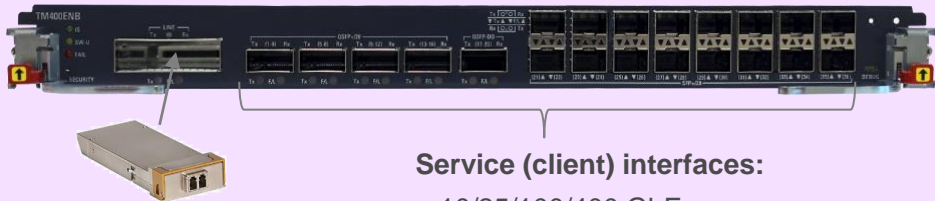
# Layer 1 Optical Encryption with Quantum Solutions

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# Apollo TM400ENB – 400G Multiservice Encryption Muxponder



## Line interface:

- 400GZR+ CFP2-DCO

## Service (client) interfaces:

- 10/25/100/400 GbE
- FC 16/32/64
- OTU2/OTU2e



Double slot card  
in any Apollo  
9600 platform



**Apollo 9603**  
2RU, 3 slots



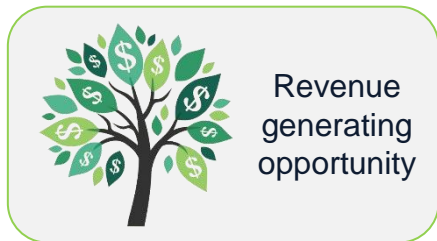
**Apollo 9608**  
5RU, 8 slots



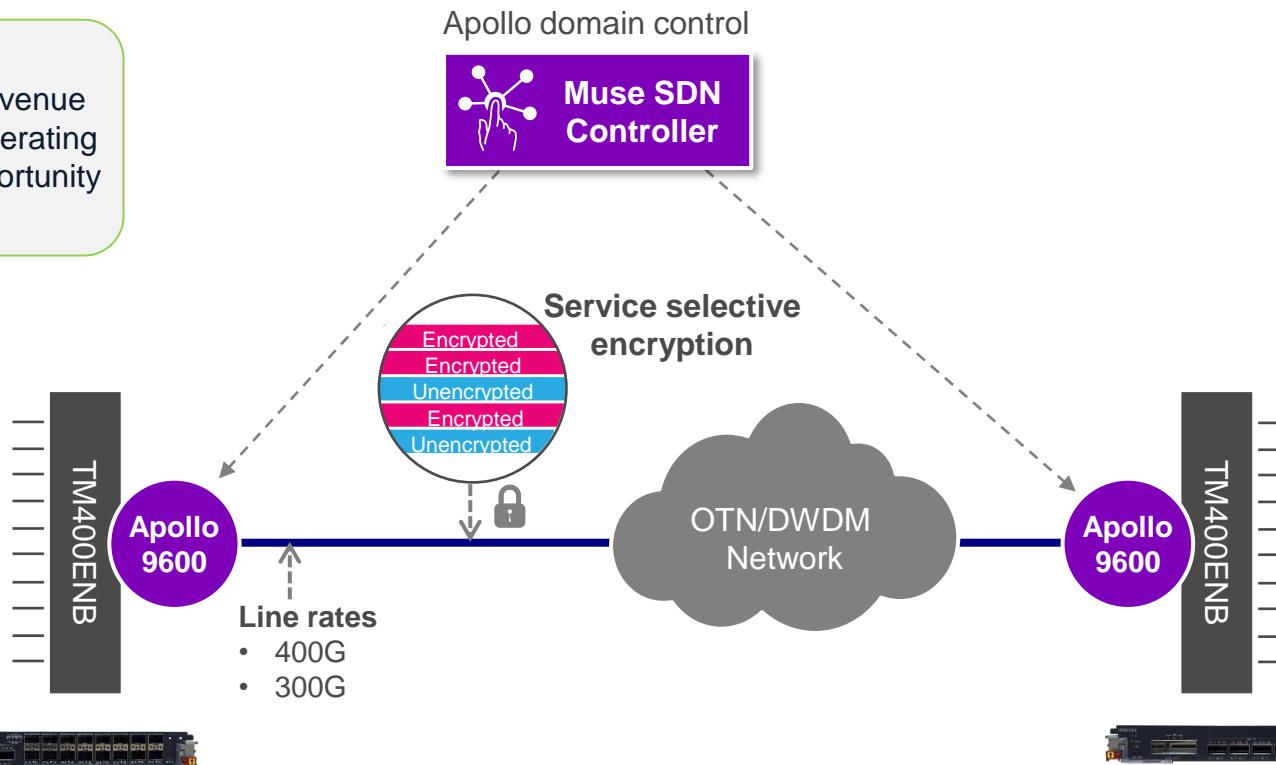
**Apollo 9624**  
15RU, 24 slots

- Service selective encryption
- Highest-level AES-256 encoding
- Key exchanges mechanisms supported:
  - Standard Diffie-Hellman
  - Post Quantum Cryptography (PQC)
  - Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) via ETSI 014
- FIPS 140-3 SL3 compliant against physical tampering

# Service Selective Encryption

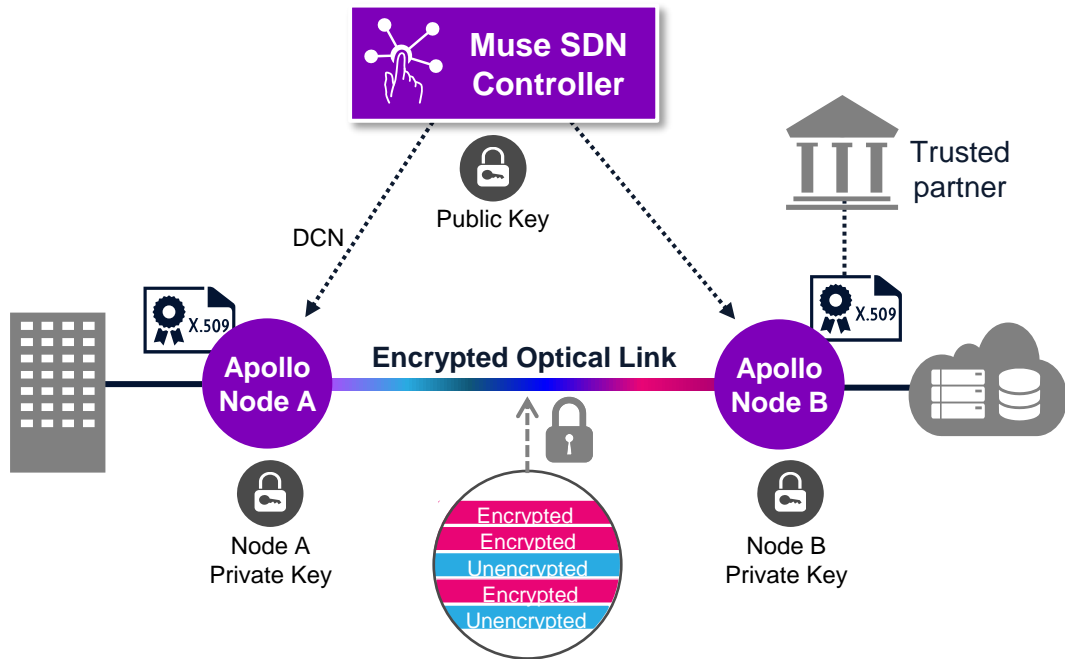


- Multiservice mix**
- 10/25/100/400 GbE
  - FC 16/32/64
  - OTU2/OTU2e



# L1OE with Diffie Hellman Key Exchange

1. **Authentication** – Apollo end nodes are authenticated using X.509 certificates via a trusted partner
2. **Symmetrical Encryption Key (SEK)** – Muse sends a public key to the Apollo nodes that they use to create an SEK
3. **Message Encryption** – The Apollo nodes use the SEK to encrypt selected services using AES-256
4. **Key Rotation** – A primary node (e.g. Node A) sends a “Key ID” over the DCN to the secondary node instructing the SEK to use next



# Apollo Setup with QKD Device

## Sync channel

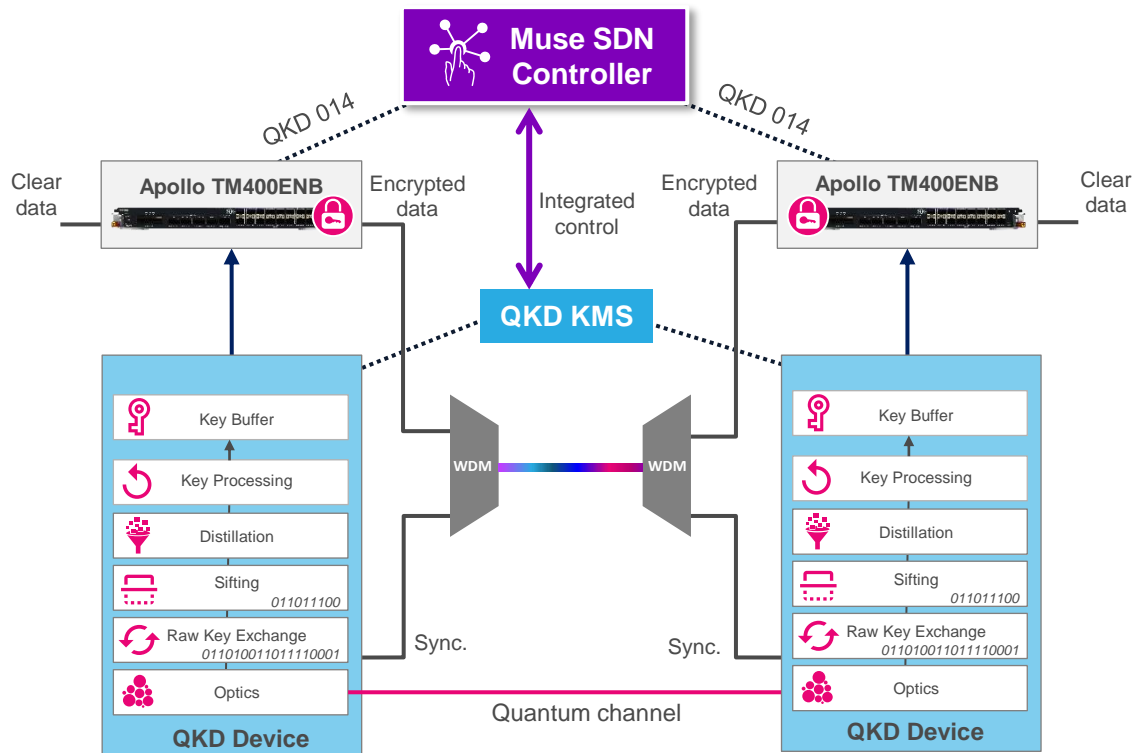
- 2.5Gbps line, SFP+, C-band

## Quantum channel

- Dedicated fiber, < 150Km
- Extendable to long distances via intermediate trusted nodes, with methods under investigation using untrusted nodes
- Optional WDM with filters, decreased distance

## Integrated Control

- Via REST API to upper management (GUI cut-through for control, alarms, events)
- ETSI QKD 015 or 018 for SDN controller/orchestrator



# L1OE with QKD

## 1. Authentication

- Apollo end nodes are authenticated using X.509 certificates via a trusted partner
- Same process authenticates pairing of QKD devices with the Apollo nodes

## 2. Symmetrical Encryption Key (SEK) –

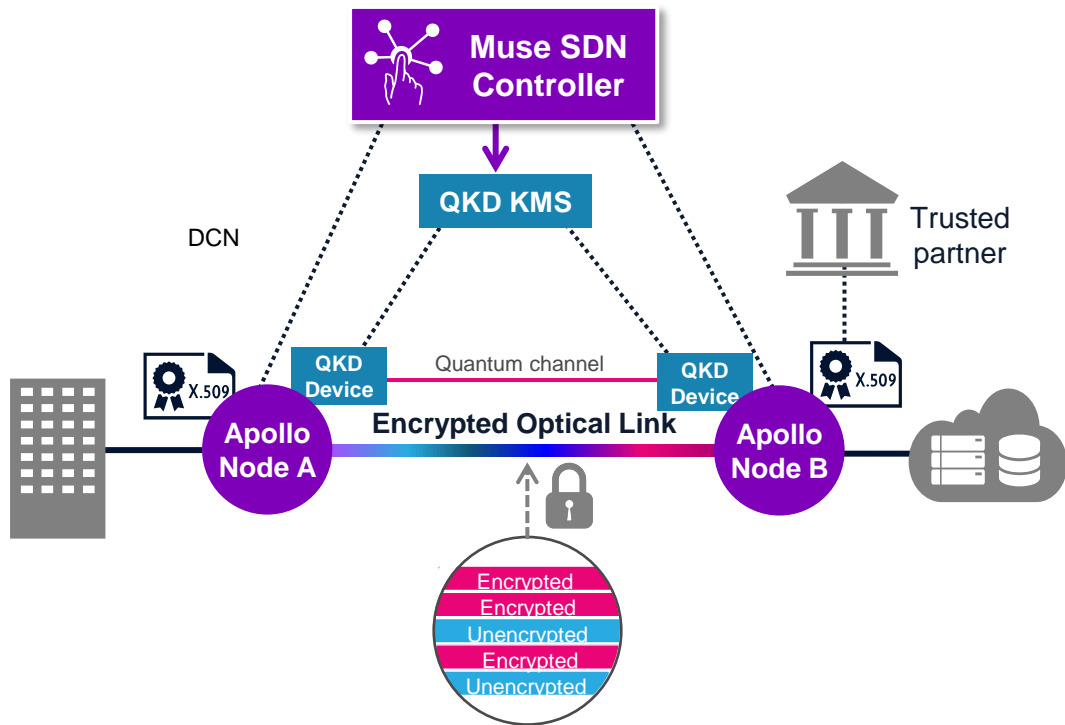
The primary node QKD device sends entangled photons to the secondary node QKD device creating a SEK.

## 3. Message Encryption –

The Apollo nodes use the SEK to encrypt selected services using AES-256

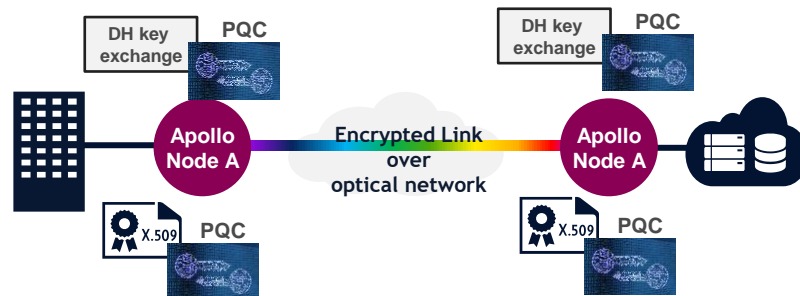
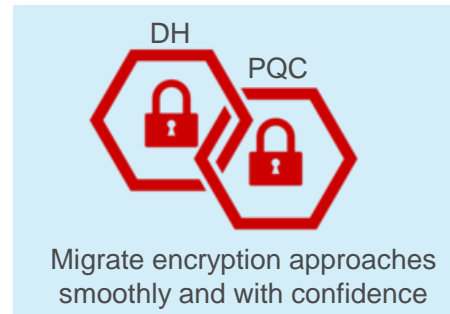
## 4. Key Rotation –

Primary node generates the key and pushes it to its co-located encryptor, while sending the “Key ID” to secondary node, that generates same key and pushes it to its co-located encryptor



# L1OE with PQC

- PQC key exchange algorithms available for:
  - Encryption (KEM: Key Encapsulation Mechanism)
  - Authentication (SIG: Digital Signature)
- Complimentary solution
  - Can use PQC mechanisms in addition to, or replacement for, existing Diffie-Hellman and X.509 mechanisms
- Following NIST standardization



# Encrypted Services in MUSE Network Controller

Service encryption parameters can be set in the ODU create/edit wizard

- **QKD Mode:** Key received via ETSI i/f
- **GCM mode** (non-QKD): Standard or disabled. In Standard mode, a failure to authenticate the frame, using the MIC, will cause the data to be replaced by an all-ones pattern.
- **DH-Group:** (non-QKD) Diffie Hellman (DH) groups are used to determine the strength of the key used in the Diffie-Hellman key exchange process. The higher the DH group numbers are, the more secure the key.
- **Key rotation:** The frequency at which the transmitter key will be rotated.
- **PSS (Pre-Shared Secret):** An optional parameter which influences the encryption keys generation. Provides the user a way to control the key content and strength.

Multi-Tenancy for end-customers key management

- The service provider will create a tenant users for their end-customer.
- Tenant users will only have access to network resource and services defined by the service provider.
- Tenant users will access the Network Controller UI to modify their encrypted services parameters.

The screenshot shows the 'Create ODU service' wizard with the 'Parameters' step selected. The 'Encryption' section is highlighted with a red dashed box. The settings shown are:

- Service name: Enter service name...
- ODU server:
- Rate: Select rate...
- Protection: Unprotected
- Encryption: Encrypted
- Encryption parameters:
  - GCM mode: Standard
  - DH-Group: DH-Group-MODP-15
  - Key rotation (minutes): 5
  - PSS (hex): Enter PSS (hex)...
- Alarm master mask: Do not change
- Buttons: Create another, Cancel, Next



# Summary

## Industry-leading Layer 1 Optical Encryption solution

- 400Gbps links
- Service selective encryption
- Powerful management system

## Extending for Quantum solutions

- Complementary PQC algos
- Multiple QKD device vendors
- Customer trials phase



