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GaAs Quantum Dot Platform for Multiwavelength Optical Fiber Communications

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In recent years, the capacity of optical fiber data transmission has experienced explosive growth, driven by the development of artificial intelligence and machine learning technologies. These technologies require massive clusters for parallel computation with millions of interconnects. The increase of the data rate per single fiber underlines use of wavelength division multiplexing (WDM) technologies, which require stable multiwavelength laser sources, high-speed modulators, and low-noise optical amplifiers for the modulated signals.

In this talk, I will review some recent developments at Innolume GmbH related to GaAs-based quantum dot mode-locked comb lasers and semiconductor optical amplifiers (SOAs) for fiber communications. I will outline the main challenges in this field and show the possibility of data transmission at bit rates of several Tb/s using millimeter-sized single comb laser and SOA chips.