# **Special Issue**

# Mathematical Approaches to Optical Network Design and Optimization

## Message from the Guest Editor

The demand for network traffic is driven by bandwidth-intensive applications like cloud computing and conferencing. The expansion of 5G/6G and IoT devices—such as sensors and autonomous vehicles—accelerates this growth. Optical fiber networks serve as the backbone infrastructure. Effective network planning and optimization are crucial for managing optical networks. This Special Issue explores mathematical and Al-based techniques to address challenges, including:

- ILP and MILP models for network planning and optimization.
- Bio-inspired and machine learning techniques for network design and performance.
- Optimization of optical access, wireless optical, and backbone networks.
- Al-driven methods for performance evaluation and modeling.
- Strategies for device placement and operation.
- Advanced algorithms for routing, spectrum allocation, and sustainability.

We welcome research that advances methodologies for improving optical network efficiency, reliability, and sustainability. Researchers are encouraged to submit their latest findings.

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