Industrial Automation and Emerging Single-pair Ethernet

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Purpose

 Present an overview of a range of Industrial Automation applications

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What is Industrial Automation?

- An Industrial Automation Definition:
 - "Application of technology to transform raw materials into finished goods"
 - Moving materials
 - Manipulating materials
- Some technology evolutions
 - Automation degree: Manual (tools) -> Semi-automatic
 Automatic
 - Power source: Human -> animal -> water -> fuel -> electricity
 - Technology: Mechanics -> fluidics -> relays -> electronics

Interconnection of components

- Industrial Automation components
 - Sensors, Actuators, Controllers, Human Interfaces, Information Interfaces
- Generic components are *interconnected* into application systems
 - Power connection
 - Control and information connection
 - Hardwired -> Networks
- Some interconnection goals:
 - Reliable, integrated, simple to apply, economical

Industrial Automation IoT Market

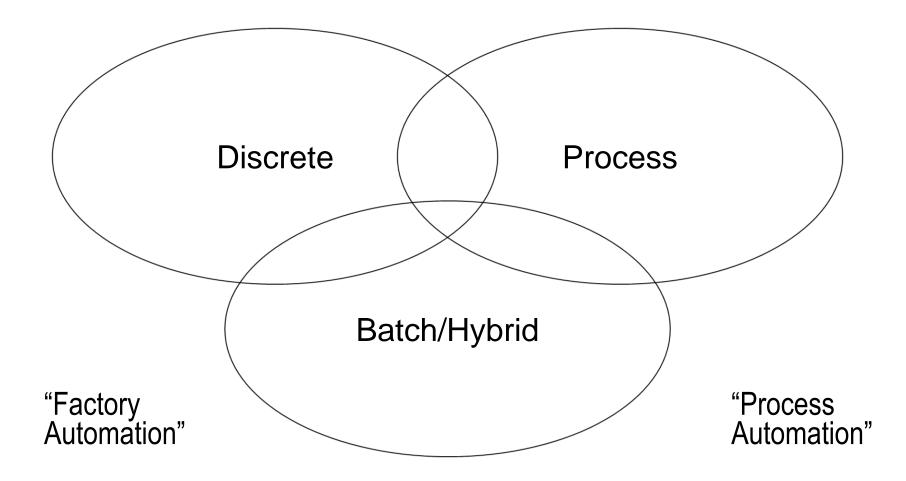
- In their report "Industrial Internet of Things 2014", industry market analysis firm IHS Technology forecasts that there will be (2015):
 - 50B node installed base at 13% connected (sensors, actuators, controllers, interface modules, operator interfaces, IT infrastructure, instrumentation, servers, etc.)
 - 6B new node shipments at 31% connected
 - 1.8B new wired nodes with 11.7% CAGR
 - Predominant connectivity via wired networks followed by WLAN then WPAN and WWAN
 - Approaching 50% Ethernet in Process Industry (related IHS report)
 - Other portions of installed base can tolerate less Ethernet overhead
 - Reduced *interconnection* is a significant factor in further penetration



Scope of presentation

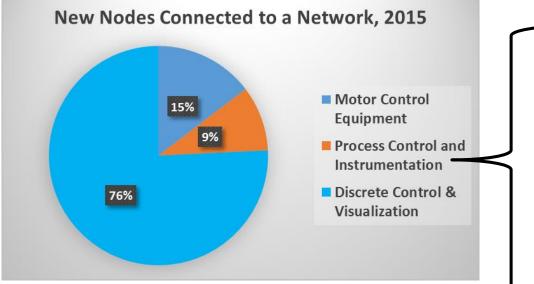
- A wide range of IEEE standards apply to Industrial Automation
 - Power and energy
 - Communication
 - Information
- IEEE Scope for this presentation is 1-Pair Ethernet:
 - IEEE P802.3bp 1000BASE-T1, Multi-Gig CFI
 - 10SPE
 - Long reach
 - Low cost
 - IEEE P802.3bu 1-Pair Power over Data Lines (PoDL)

Basic Automation Domains



Industrial Automation Characteristics

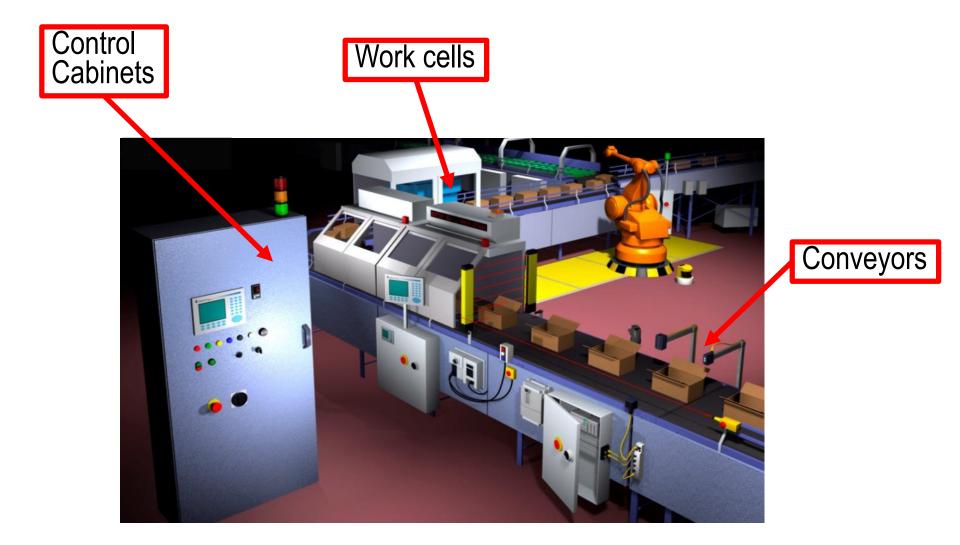
- A large portion of the *Discrete Control & Visualization* and associated *Motor Control Equipment* is concentrated in machines and is of relatively short distance (40m)
 - Part benefits from high performance (100 Mb/s -> 1 Gb/s)
 - Part benefits from low performance and low cost (10 Mb/s)
- Certain important Process Control and Instrumentation applications require very long distances (>1000 m) and have relatively low performance requirements (10 Mb/s)



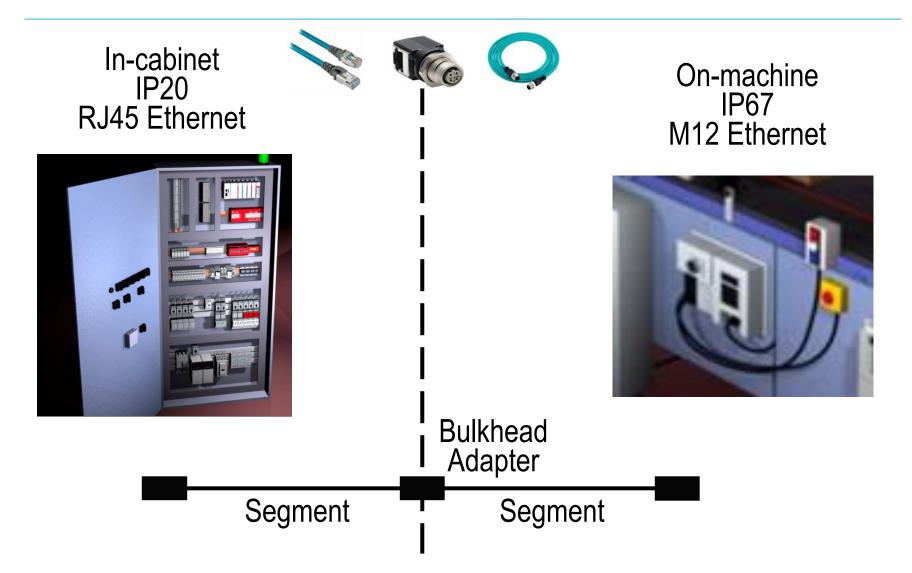
Source: IHS, The World Market for Industrial Ethernet & Fieldbus Technologies - 2013 Edition



Factory Automation Modules



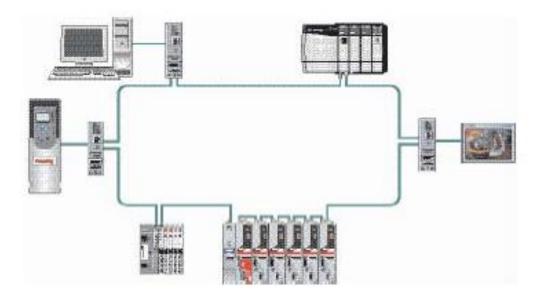
In-cabinet and On-machine cabling



In-cabinet



- Dense node packing
- Some high performance, linear configuration of dual-port nodes
 - Cable lengths rarely > 15m
- Many low performance, low cost, bus
 - Total length < 50m



On-machine

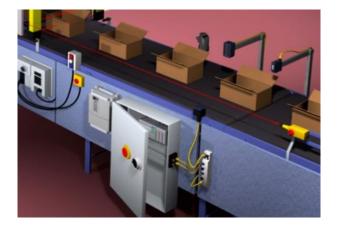
Work Cells

- Nodes spread to best physical position
- Somewhat bigger than the product
 i.e., an Automobile
- Linear configuration of dual-port nodes
 - Cable lengths rarely > 40m

Conveyors

- Nodes distributed along length
- Often modular
 - i.e., 3m sections
- Linear configuration of dualport nodes





Process Automation "Skids"

- Many Process Automation skids are reasonably small
- On-machine requirements apply

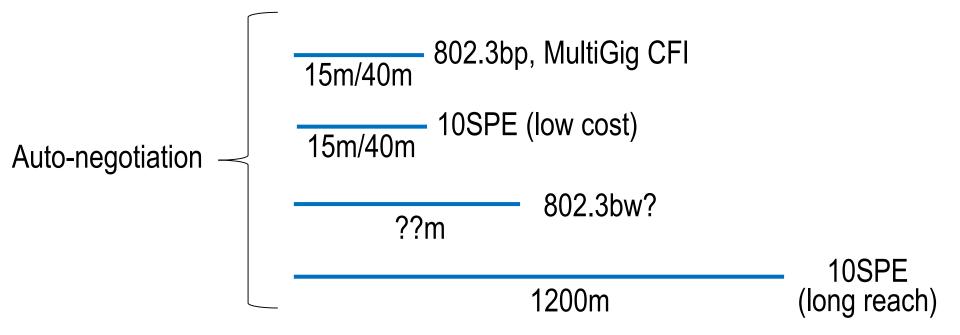


Large Process Automation Applications

- Nodes spread over large site
- Star topologies
- Legacy cable runs
 - 1200m
 - 4-20mA -> Fieldbus -> Ethernet?

Additional application coverage

- Various auto-negotiation combinations allow for greater application coverage
 - Mixing rates
 - Extending distance with reduced rate
 - Point-point and multidrop
- Minimize media converters



IEEE 802.3 10Mbps Single-Pair Ethernet Study Group – Ad Hoc - Sept. 2016 Interim Meeting, Ft Worth, TX USA

Power

Industrial Automation nodes require power

- Various applications will benefit from two strategies
 - 1-pair Ethernet within a "harness" that includes power
 - 24VDC is common
 - 1-pair Ethernet + PoDL

Conclusions

- Major segments within Industrial Automation can benefit from the ongoing 1-pair Ethernet developments
 - Factory Automation
 - In-cabinet
 - On-machine
 - Process Automation
 - Skids
 - Plant-wide
- Various requirements are being addressed:
 - High performance: 802.3bp, Multi-Gig CFI
 - Low cost: 10SPE
 - Long reach: 10SPE
- Auto-negotiation extends the benefits of the individual 1-pair standards