802.3 25 Gb/s Study Group
Technical Feasibility
Reuse of 802.3bj Channel Related Specifications

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Purpose

• Provide information related to developing the technical feasibility criteria for 802.3 25 Gb/s.

• (Five Criteria) are defined in subclause 12.5 of the ‘IEEE project 802 LAN/MAN Standards Committee (LMSC) operations manual’. These are supplemented by subclause 7.2 ‘Five Criteria’ of the ‘Operating Rules of IEEE Project 802 Working Group 802.3, CSMA/CD LANs’.
  ▪ Broad Market Potential
  ▪ Compatibility
  ▪ Distinct Identity
  ▪ Technical Feasibility
  ▪ Economic Feasibility

• Reuse of 802.3bj channel/system related specifications
  ▪ Test points
  ▪ Channel loss budget
  ▪ Cable assembly specifications
  ▪ Test fixture specifications
  ▪ COMS

▪ MDI – SFF-8084 (see SFF-8402 Specification for SFP+ 28 Gb/s 1x Pluggable Transceiver Solution (SFP28) Rev 1.0 March 30, 2014)
100GBASE-CR4 PMD

• The 100GBASE-CR4 PMD has four parallel bit streams each operating at a nominal signaling rate of 25.78125 GBd
# Table 92–4—100GBASE-CR4 test points

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<th>Test points</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>TP0 to TP5</td>
<td>The 100GBASE-CR4 channel including the transmitter and receiver differential controlled impedance printed circuit board insertion loss and the cable assembly insertion loss.</td>
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<td>TP1 to TP4</td>
<td>All cable assembly measurements are to be made between TP1 and TP4 as illustrated in Figure 92–2. The cable assembly test fixture of Figure 92–17 or its equivalent, is required for measuring the cable assembly specifications in 92.10 at TP1 and TP4.</td>
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<td>TP0 to TP2, TP3 to TP5</td>
<td>A mated connector pair has been included in both the transmitter and receiver specifications defined in 92.8.3 and 92.8.4. The recommended maximum insertion loss from TP0 to TP2 or TP3 to TP5 including the test fixture is specified in 92.8.3.6.</td>
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<td>TP2</td>
<td>Unless specified otherwise, all transmitter measurements defined in Table 92–6 are made at TP2 utilizing the test fixture specified in 92.11.1.</td>
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<td>TP3</td>
<td>Unless specified otherwise, all receiver measurements and tests defined in 92.8.4 are made at TP3 utilizing the test fixture specified in 92.11.1.</td>
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100GBASE-CR4 - Objectives

- Support full-duplex operation only
- Preserve the 802.3 / Ethernet frame format utilizing the 802.3 MAC
- Preserve minimum and maximum FrameSize of current 802.3 standard
- Support a BER of better than or equal to $10^{-12}$ at the MAC/PLS service interface
- Define a 4 lane PHY for operation over a printed circuit board backplane with a total channel insertion loss of $\leq 35 \text{ dB} \text{ at } 12.9 \text{ GHz}^{**}$
- Define a 4 lane PHY for operation over a printed circuit board backplane with a total channel insertion loss of $\leq 33 \text{ dB} \text{ at } 7.0 \text{ GHz}^{**}$
- Define a 4-lane 100 Gb/s PHY for operation over links consistent with copper twin-axial cables with lengths up to at least 5m.
- To define optional Energy-Efficient Ethernet operation for 100G Backplane and Twinaxial cable PHY's specified in P802.3bj*
- To define optional Energy-Efficient Ethernet operation for 100GBASE-CR10***
- To define optional Energy-Efficient Ethernet operation for 40GBASE-CR4 and 40GBASE-KR4***

*Objectives approved by IEEE 802.3 WG Nov 2011 IEEE 802 Plenary
**Objectives approved by IEEE 802.3 WG Mar 2012 IEEE 802 Plenary
***Objectives approve by IEEE 802.3 WG July 2012 IEEE 802 Plenary

- Operation over links consistent with copper twin-axial cables with lengths up to at least 5m at a nominal signaling rate of 25.78125 GBd supported.
25 Gb/s CFI - Technical Feasibility

25Gb/s Single Lane Technical Feasibility

- SERDES Technology widely available
  - Under discussion among SERDES vendors since ~2002
  - OIF Project in July 2005
  - Several OIF CEI-25 and CEI-28 flavors in 2010/2011 time frame
- Defined in IEEE P802.3bj as a 25Gb/s 4 lane electrical interface
- Shipping ASIC cores for ~3 to 4 years
- Defined channel models for circuit boards, direct attach cables, and connectors

- Technology re-use
  - Single-lane of 100GbE 4-lane PMD and CAUI-4 specifications
  - SFP28 being developed for 32G FC

Source: 25 Gb/s Ethernet Over a Single Lane for Server Interconnect Call For Interest Consensus IEEE 802 July 2014 Plenary, San Diego, CACFI_01_0714
25 Gb/s Ethernet Connectivity

- Enables similar topology as 40Gb/s & 10Gb/s
- Single 25Gb/s SFP28 port implementation or Quad 25Gb/s QSFP28 breakout implementation possible
- Maximizes ports and bandwidth in ToR switch faceplate
- Dense rack server
- Within rack, less than 3m typical length

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25 Gb/s Ethernet Connectivity—crosstalk paths

- 1 or 4 near-end crosstalk crosstalk path
- 0 or 3 far-end crosstalk crosstalk path

- 1 port to 1 port – reuse 802.3bj
- 4 port to 4x1 port breakout – reuse 802.3bj
- 4 port to 4 port - reuse 802.3 bj
25 Gb/s Ethernet – Cable assembly

92.10 Cable assembly characteristics
92.10.1 Characteristic impedance and reference impedance
92.10.2 Cable assembly insertion loss
92.10.3 Cable assembly differential return loss
92.10.4 Differential to common-mode return loss
92.10.5 Differential to common-mode conversion loss
92.10.6 Common-mode to common-mode return loss
92.10.7 Cable assembly Channel Operating Margin
25 Gb/s Ethernet – Test Fixtures

92.11 Test Fixtures
92.11.1 TP2 or TP3 test fixtures (Host Compliance Boards)
92.11.1.1 Test fixture return loss (Mated)
92.11.1.2 Test fixture insertion loss (PCB reference insertion loss)
25 Gb/s Ethernet – Test Fixtures

92.11.2 Cable assembly test fixture (Module Compliance Board)

>>>PCB reference insertion loss

92.11.3 Mated test fixtures

92.11.3.1 Mated test fixtures insertion loss

92.11.3.2 Mated test fixtures return loss

92.11.3.3 Mated test fixtures common-mode conversion loss

92.11.3.4 Mated test fixtures common-mode return loss

92.11.3.5 Mated test fixtures common-mode to differential-mode return loss

92.11.3.6 Mated test fixtures integrated crosstalk noise
Channel characteristics

92A.1 Overview
92A.2 Transmitter characteristics at TP0
92A.3 Receiver characteristics at TP5
92A.4 Transmitter and receiver differential printed circuit board trace loss
92A.5 Channel insertion loss
92A.6 Channel return loss
92A.7 Channel Operating Margin (COM)
Channel characteristics – Mated Fixtures

NOTE—The connector insertion loss is 1.07 dB for the mated test fixture. The host connector is allocated 0.62 dB of additional margin.
Technical Feasibility – 802.3bj

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