The Customer Requirement for 10GBASE-LX4

Bruce Tolley, Cisco Systems

Bob Grow, Intel

David Law, 3Com Corporation

Need –LX4 to fulfill current Task Force objectives

802.3ae Detailed Objectives (1/2)

- Preserve the 802.3/Ethernet frame format at the MAC Client service interface.
- Meet 802 Functional Requirements, with the possible exception of Hamming Distance.
- Preserve minimum and maximum FrameSize of current 802.3 Std.
- Support full-duplex operation only.
- Support star-wired local area networks using point-to-point links and structured cabling topologies.
- Specify an optional Media Independent Interface.
- Support proposed standard P802.3ad (Link Aggregation)
- Support a speed of 10.000 Gb/s at the MAC/PLS service interface

802.3ae Detailed Objectives (2/2)

Define two families of PHYs

A LAN PHY, operating at a data rate of 10.000 Gb/s

A WAN PHY, operating at a data rate compatible with the payload rate of OC-192c/SDH VC-4-64c

- Define a mechanism to adapt the MAC/PLS data rate to the data rate of the WAN PHY
- Provide Physical Layer specifications which support link distances of:

At least 65 m over MMF

At least 300 m over installed MMF

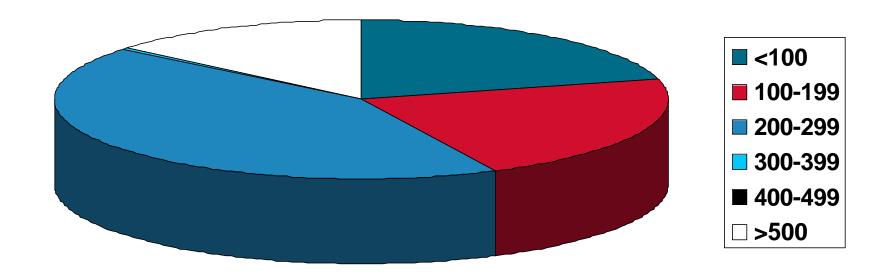
At least 2, 10, and 40 km over SMF

 Support fiber media selected from the second edition of ISO/IEC 11801 (802.3 to work with SC25/WG3 to develop appropriate specifications for any new fiber media).

Need –LX4 to support installed MM fiber infrastructure of enterprise customers

62.5 Micron Fiber by Link Length

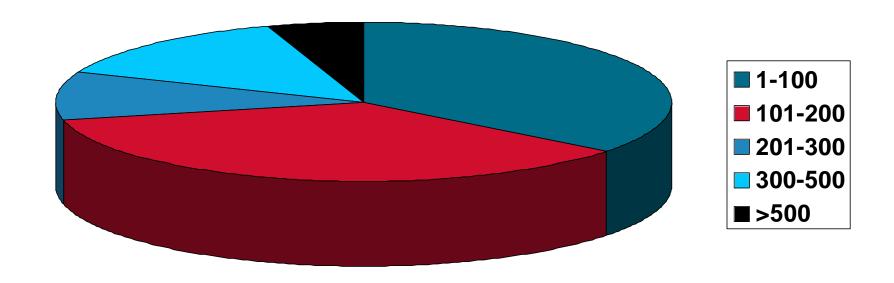
(meters)



Ahmad Nouri, Fiber Cable Survey, IEEE 802.3, 1997

IEEE P802.3ae TF October 2001

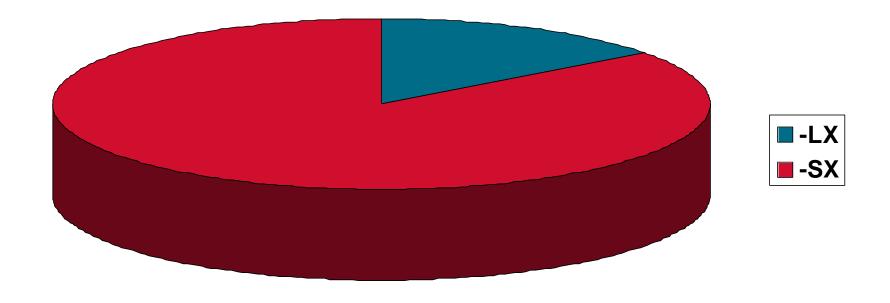
Intrabuilding Backbone Max. Distance (meters)



Chris Diminico, Fiber Optic Cabling Survey. IEEE 802.3, 1997

Most of the 1000BASE-X ports shipping today is -SX for installed MM fiber

1000BASE-X Ports Q3 CY2001



Dell'Oro Group and Cisco Estimates

Conclusions

We need –LX4 to support our objectives and the installed base of MM fiber

We need –LX4 to deliver 10GbE solutions to the existing enterprise customers of 1 GbE