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Goal of this Presentation

- Quantify the number of broken / unconnected wires in a link that can be detected by
 - A 2-by-N or
 - A 1-by-N PSE
 - For:
 - One or two broken wire systems
 - Exclude breaks the 100BaseT PHY detects
 - (1GBaseT detects all wire breaks)



No Single wire Breaks Detected. One Out of 36 Two Wire Breaks Detected.





Conclusions for Detection of One and Two Broken Wires for 2-by-N and 1-by-N PSE systems

- Gigabit Systems
 - All breaks detected by Data PHY
 - No value add by PSE break detection
- 10/100 BaseT
 - 10/100BaseT PHY will detect data pair break
 - No single wire break detected
 - One additional two wire break case out of 36 that can be detected by 2-by-N PSEs
- Broken wire/connection detection by a PSE is very poor
 - Gigabit 0% break detection advantage
 - 10/100 BaseT at best 2.8% break detection advantage

