

DTE Power over MDI: Constraints in the Solution Space

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Issues in the solution space

- The pertinent UL/CSA/ISO safety standards for inbuilding current limited circuits are:
 - → A maximum of 60 Volts DC (excepting Japan with 45 Volts max.);
 - → The source of the power must be limited to 100 VA.
- The contacts of an RJ-45 connector have limited current carrying capacity with a absolute maximum being on the order of 1.3-1.5 Amperes.



Power Limitation

- The wire for a single pair of a 100m LAN drop, assuming 24 AWG wire, has a nominal DC resistance of 17 Ohms.
- Given a source supply of 48 Volts DC the maximum power available to a terminal device at the maximum loop length is 34 Watts.
- At this maximum power level, the loop current would be 1.4 Amps.



Loop Current vs. Power

 Given a source supply of 48 Volts DC on a single pair, the profile of the power available to a terminal device at the 100 m maximum loop length is as follows.

I Loop	V Load	P Load
Amps	Volts DC	Watts
0.1	46.3	4.6
0.2	44.6	8.9
0.3	42.9	12.9
0.4	41.2	16.5
0.5	39.6	19.8
1.4	24	34.1

