

Objectives

IEEE 802.3 Beyond 400 Gb/s Ethernet Study Group

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- Non-Rate Specific
 - Support full-duplex operation only *
 - Preserve the Ethernet frame format utilizing the Ethernet MAC *
 - Preserve minimum and maximum FrameSize of current IEEE 802.3 standard *
 - Support a BER of better than or equal to 10^{-13} at the MAC/PLS service interface (or the frame loss ratio equivalent) **
 - Provide support to enable mapping over OTN ***
- 800 Gb/s Related
 - Support a MAC data rate of 800 Gb/s *
 - Support optional eight-lane 800 Gb/s attachment unit interfaces for chip-to-module and chip-to-chip applications ****
 - Support optional four-lane 800 Gb/s attachment unit interfaces for chip-to-module and chip-to-chip applications ****
 - Define a physical layer specification that supports 800 Gb/s operation:
 - over 8 pairs of MMF with lengths up to at least 50 m *
 - over 8 pairs of MMF with lengths up to at least 100 m *
 - over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 500 m *
 - over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 2 km #
 - over 4 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 500 m *
 - over 4 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 2 km *
 - over 4 wavelengths over a single SMF in each direction with lengths up to at least 2 km *
 - over a single SMF in each direction with lengths up to at least 10 km *
 - over a single SMF in each direction with lengths up to at least 40 km *
- 1.6 Tb/s Related
 - Support a MAC data rate of 1.6 Tb/s #
 - Support optional eight-lane 1.6 Tb/s attachment unit interfaces for chip-to-module and chip-to-chip applications #
 - Define a physical layer specification that supports 1.6 Tb/s operation:
 - over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 500 m #
 - over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 2 km #