

May 2021 Summary Review

**IEEE 802.3 Beyond 400 Gb/s Ethernet Study Group
Electronic June 3, 2021 Meeting**

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03 June 2021 Electronic Meeting**

Key Anticipated Dates

- **Jan 14, 2021: 1st Meeting of B400G Study Group**
- **Mar 2021: B400G SG Rechartered by IEEE 802 EC to July 2021 Plenary**
- **Jul 14, 2021:**
 - **B400G SG extension deadline**
 - **Recharter by IEEE 802 EC to Nov 2021 Plenary**
- **Sept 2021**
 - **SG - Finish / approve project documentation (PAR / CSD / Objectives)**
- **30 days before start of Nov 2021 Plenary (Est – Oct 5, exact date pending)**
 - **Submit PAR / CSD to 802**
- **Oct 18 – NesCom Submittal Deadline**
- **Between NesCom Submittal and Nov Plenary – consider presenting project / project documentation to 802.3 WG for review**
- **Nov 2021 Plenary**
 - **802.3 WG Approval**
 - **802 EC Approval**
- **Dec 6 -8 – IEEE SA Standards Board Meeting**
- **Jan 2022 – 1st TF Meeting**

Review - May 2021 Session Presentations

■ 4/26/21 Presentations

- Study Group Timeline, John D'Ambrosia
- Development of Project Documentation, John D'Ambrosia
- Thoughts on the BER objective, Mark Gustlin
- FEC Architectures of B400GbE to Support BER Objective, Xiang He
- Discussion / Straw polls / Motions (Time permitting)

■ 5/3/21 Presentations

- Status of the technical feasibility of optical 200G/lane, Maxim Kuschnerov
- On the Broad Market Potential of the 800 Gb/s 4 wavelength up to 2km on single mode fiber objective, Rob Stone
- 8x100G Objectives, Scott Schube
- Further considerations regarding OTN support for Beyond 400 Gb/s Ethernet, Steve Trowbridge
- Discussion / Straw polls / Motions (Time permitting)

■ 5/17/21 Presentations

- LN-on-Insulator modulator Technology for B400G Application, Guangcan Mi
- Technical Feasibility of Copper Cables for 4-lane 800 Gb/s operation, Leesa Noujeim
- Electrical Objective Wording, Kent Lusted
- Consideration on electrical interface objectives, Yunchun (Louis) Lu
- Discussion / Straw polls / Motions (Time permitting)

■ 5/24/21 Presentations

- Future DC Network Considerations, Brad Booth
- Server & end point connectivity needs, Kent Lusted
- The Case for 1.6 Terabit Ethernet, John D'Ambrosia
- Discussion / Straw polls / Motions (Time permitting)

Decisions Made During May 2021 Session

- **Following objectives were adopted**
 - 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
 - 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

- **Updated list of objectives -**
https://www.ieee802.org/3/B400G/proj_doc/objectives_210517.pdf

Summary of Remaining Issues from May

1. **Scott Schube**

- Proposed new objective - 800 Gb/s operation over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 2 km

2. **Rob Stone**

- Proposed objective modification: 800 Gb/s 4 wavelength up to 3km on single mode fiber objective

3. **Kent Lusted / Adam Healey**

- AUIs related to 200 Gb/s and 400 Gb/s Ethernet rate of operation

4. **Brad Booth**

- New Objective related to Ethernet MAC Parameters for ≥ 800 Gb/s

5. **John D'Ambrosia**

- Proposed new objectives related to 1.6 Tb/s

■ **Leesa Noujeim**

- Proposed copper cable interface at 200 Gbps/lane

Topic #1: Proposed new objective - 800 Gb/s operation over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 2 km

■ **Reference:**

https://www.ieee802.org/3/B400G/public/21_05/schube_b400g_01_210503.pdf

■ **Prior Strawpoll (Strawpoll #2 taken 5/3)**

I would support adopting the following objective: Define a physical layer specification that supports 800 Gb/s operation over 8 pairs of SMF with lengths up to at least 2 km	Results
a) Yes	44
b) No	13
c) Need more information	8
d) Abstain	15

Topic #2 - Proposed objective modification: 800 Gb/s 4 wavelength up to 3km on single mode fiber objective

■ **Reference:**

https://www.ieee802.org/3/B400G/public/21_05/stone_b400g_01_210503.pdf

■ **No prior straw polls or motions taken**

Topic #3 - AUIs related to 200 Gb/s and 400 Gb/s Ethernet rate of operation

- **Reference:**

- https://www.ieee802.org/3/B400G/public/21_05/lusted_b400g_01_210517.pdf

- **Motion to adopt objectives related to 800 Gb/s (4 and 8 lane) approved. 88 / 1 / 14**
- **No physical layer specification objectives related to 200 Gb/s or 400 Gb/s Ethernet operation approved at this time.**
- **Delay “200 Gb/s or 400 Gb/s AUI’s” related straw polls and / or motions at this time.**
- **Interest in 200 Gb/s or 400 Gb/s Ethernet physical layer specifications?**

Topic #4 - New Objective related to Ethernet MAC Parameters for ≥ 800 Gb/s

- **Reference:**

https://www.ieee802.org/3/B400G/public/21_05/booth_b400g_01b_210524.pdf

- **No prior straw polls or motions taken**

Topic #5 - Proposed new objectives related to 1.6 Tb/s

- **Reference:**

- https://www.ieee802.org/3/B400G/public/21_05/dambrosia_b400g_01b_210524.pdf

- **No prior straw polls or motions taken.**

Topic #6 - Proposed copper cable interface at 200 Gbps/lane

- **Reference:**

- https://www.ieee802.org/3/B400G/public/21_05/noujeim_b400g_01_210517.pdf

- **No prior straw polls or motions taken**