### Ethernet Bandwidth Assessment Ad hoc-General Introduction

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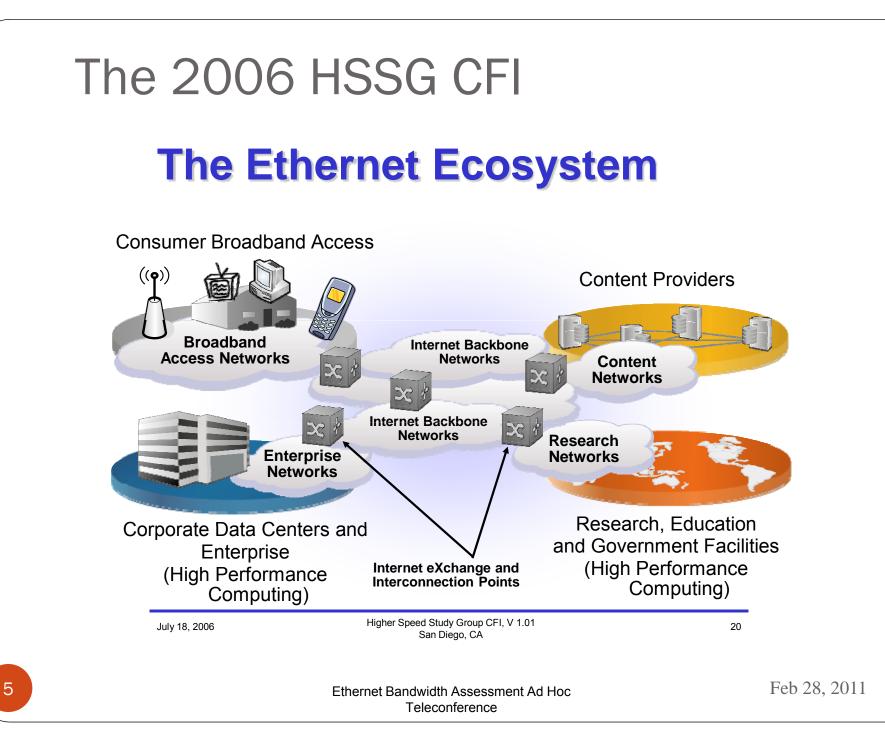
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### Introduction

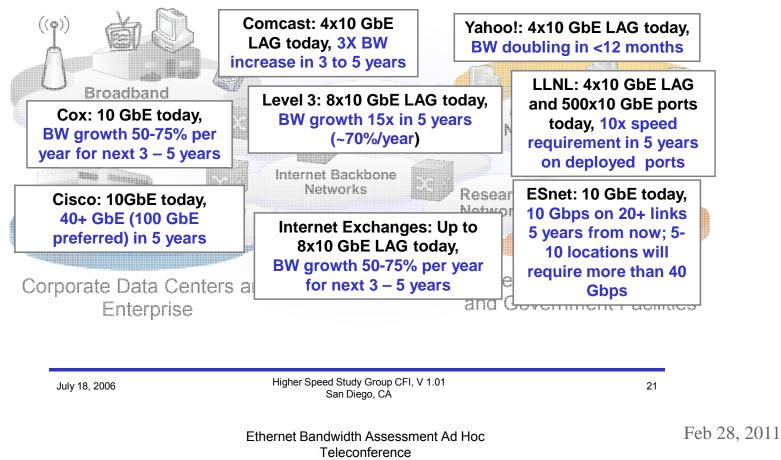
- **D** Bandwidth frequent discussion during HSSG
  - **CFI** forecasts were based on aggregation needs
  - □ Initially, eco-system wasn't fully explored
  - □ Results
    - **u** Two growth rates two speeds
    - Minor project delay
- Bandwidth projections driving ongoing discussions
- Market Need
  - Data Centers
  - □ Internet Exchanges
  - Carriers
  - □ Financial Community
  - R&D
  - Content Providers



## The 2006 HSSG CFI

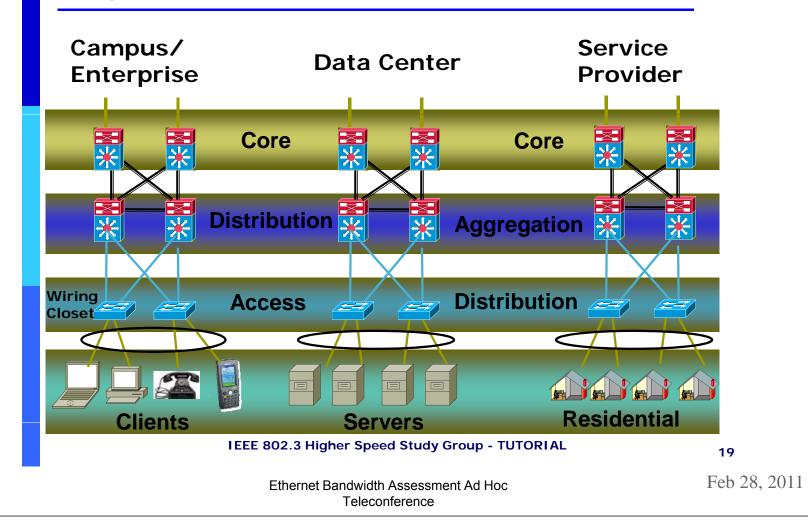
### **Bandwidth and Growth Projections**

**Consumer Broadband Access** 



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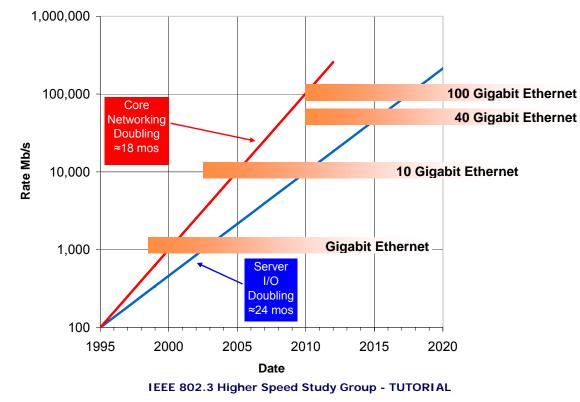
#### **Higher Speed Ethernet Penetration**



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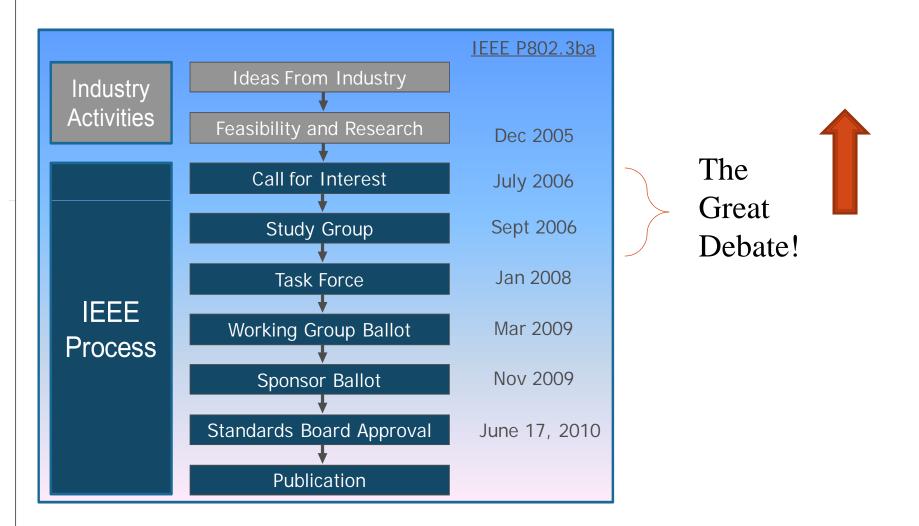
### Understand the Eco-System Need

#### 40GbE and 100GbE: Computing and Networking



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# Looking Back



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## Overview

- Industry Connections Program
  - Program of the IEEE-SA Board of Governors (BOG) to provide safe harbour environment for building consensus and developing documents prior to a formal standards development effort.
- Creation of Ad hoc resulted from request made via the IEEE Industry Connections program for an effort based on individual participation
  - IEEE 802 EC (related sponsor) supported development of IC activity as 18 month pilot program
  - Request approved by IEEE Board of Governors
    - Mentors James Wendorf (Industry Connections) & David Law (IEEE 802.3)
    - Organized by David Law as an ad hoc in 802.3WG.
      - See <u>http://www.ieee802.org/3/private/email/msg01054.html</u>.
      - Any output of the ad hoc will require approval of the IEEE 802.3 Working Group.
- As an ad hoc, we will use phone conferences and face-to-face meetings
- The role of this ad hoc is to gather information, not make recommendations or create a CFI

### "Ethernet Bandwidth Assessment" Program Submission

#### • Background and Purpose

During the IEEE P802.3ba 40Gb/s and 100Gb/s Ethernet project, it was observed that core networking and computing applications were growing at different rates, driving the need to develop the two new wireline Ethernet speeds. The focus of this IC activity will be to perform an appraisal of future "Ethernet Wireline Bandwidth Needs" of applications within the Ethernet eco-system.

Related Standard – IEEE Std 802.3-2008 and IEEE Std 802.3ba-2010 Related Sponsor – IEEE 802

#### • Charter and Scope

The scope of this IC will focus on gathering information that will enable an evaluation of the bandwidth needs for Ethernet wireline applications, including, but not limited to, core networking and computing. This evaluation will then enable the generation of a white paper(s) and related presentations on the future bandwidth needs of Ethernet wireline applications, which can then be used for future reference by an appropriate related standards activity.

#### Proposed Deliverables

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## Next Steps

- Agree on deliverables
  - White Papers / Presentations
    - How many?
  - Consider timing

• Decisions / output will require IEEE 802.3 WG approval

# Industry Communications

- Frequent communications during HSSG and IEEE P802.3ba Task Force:
  - ITU-T Study Group 15
  - OIF
- Communications should be drafted for IEEE 802.3WG approval at March Plenary



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# **Future Meetings**

- March 2011 Plenary
  - Singapore
  - Week of March 13
  - Marina Bay Sands Hotel
- April Teleconference
  - Date TBD
- May 2011 Interim
  - Week of May 23
  - Location TBD
- July 2011 Plenary
  - San Francisco, CA, USA
  - Week of July 17
  - Hyatt Regency San Francisco at Embarcadero Center
- Sept 2011 Interim
  - Week of Sept 12
  - Location TBD
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