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# 802.3dj - CR

## Considerations for Insertion Loss Budget Baseline

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# Introduction

- 802.3 CR channels are depicted informatively and analyzed in COM with Host PCBs that have the same IL on both ends (symmetrical).
- As device packages and other circuit element losses take up a greater portion of the overall budget, being able to reallocate losses in the channel becomes highly valuable.
- An enhanced concept is proposed enabling loss reallocation as well as enabling longer cable assemblies.
- The idea of enabling multiple copper cable assemblies with different maximum loss is not new and was done in Clause 110, where the channel variable was different FECs - see supplemental.
- This concept can be implemented using planned tools (COM)

## References

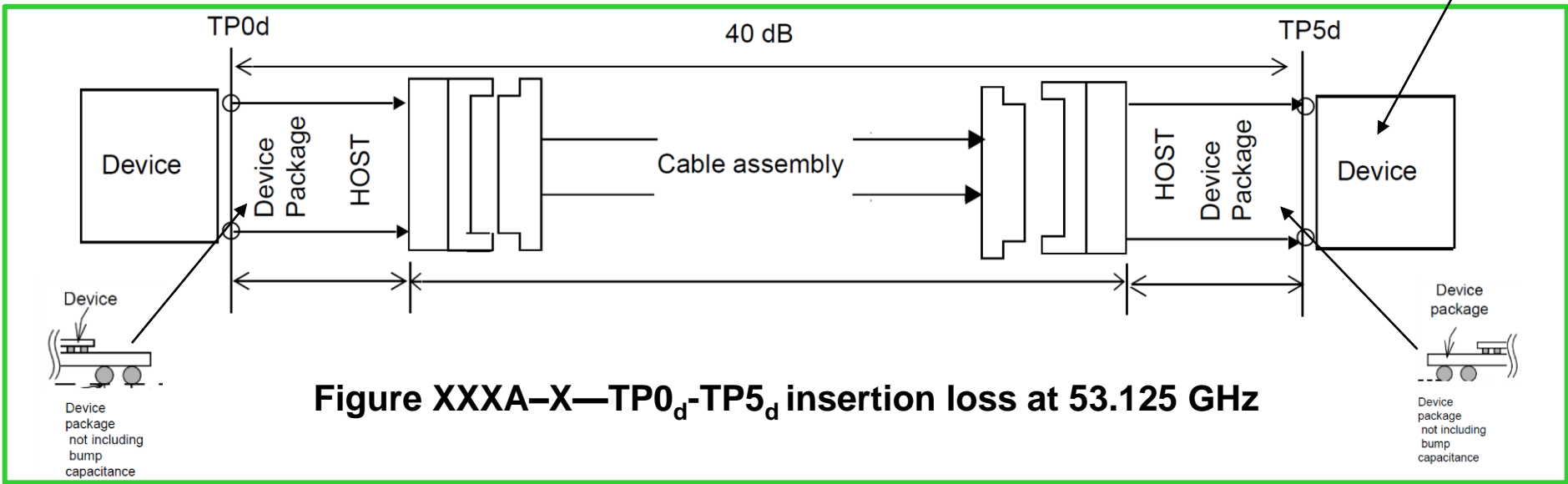
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- Models posted with asymmetric use cases;
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# Proposed Solution

- **Considerations for Insertion Loss Budget Baseline - symmetrical and asymmetrical**
  - **Host options (loss) -**
    - > **Host Nominal (HN),**
    - > **Host High, (HH),**
    - > **and Host Low (HL),**
    - > **or some other designation.**
  - **Associated cable assemblies -**
    - > **For PMD type 200GBASE-CR1 >> CA-200G-A,B,C - 1 lane**
    - > **For PMD type 400GBASE-CR2 >> CA-400G-A,B,C - 2 lane**
    - > **For PMD type 800GBASE-CR4 >> CA-800G-A,B,C - 4 lane**
    - > **For PMD type 1.6TBASE-CR8 >> CA-1.6T-A,B,C - 8 lane**
    - > **or some other designation.**
      - **The specifications for CA-A are identical except the number of lanes.**
      - **The specifications for CA-B are identical except the number of lanes.**
      - **The specifications for CA-C are identical except the number of lanes.**

# Already Adopted

- **Adopted: die-to-die insertion loss**

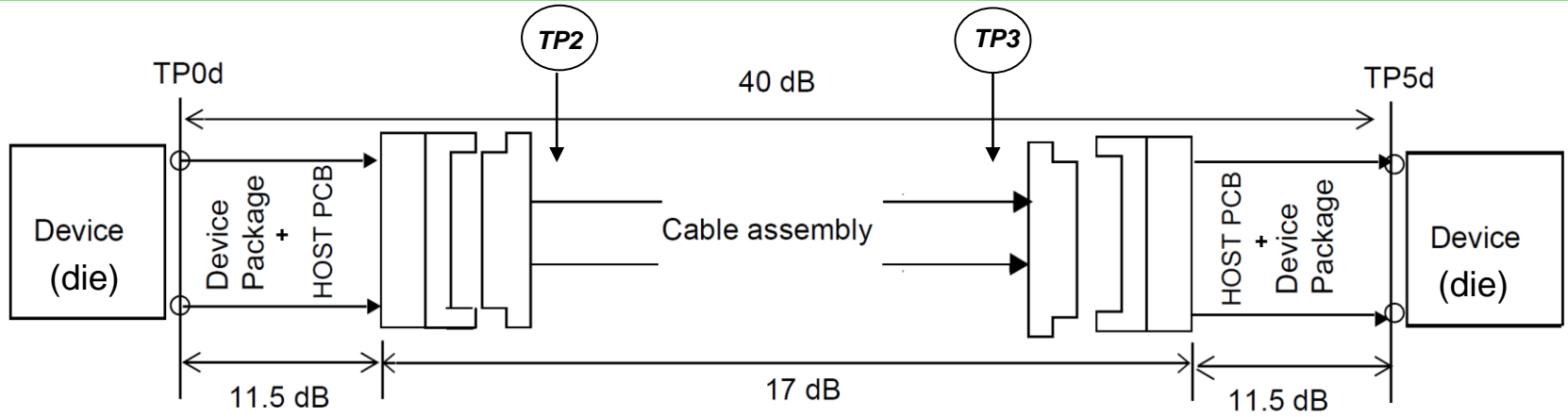


**Figure XXXA-X—TP0<sub>d</sub>-TP5<sub>d</sub> insertion loss at 53.125 GHz**

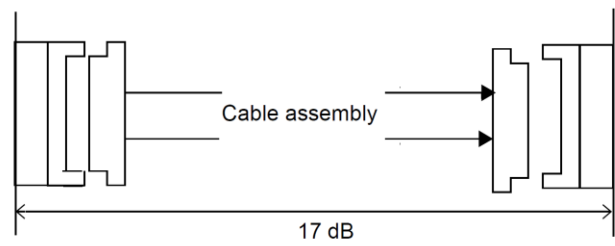
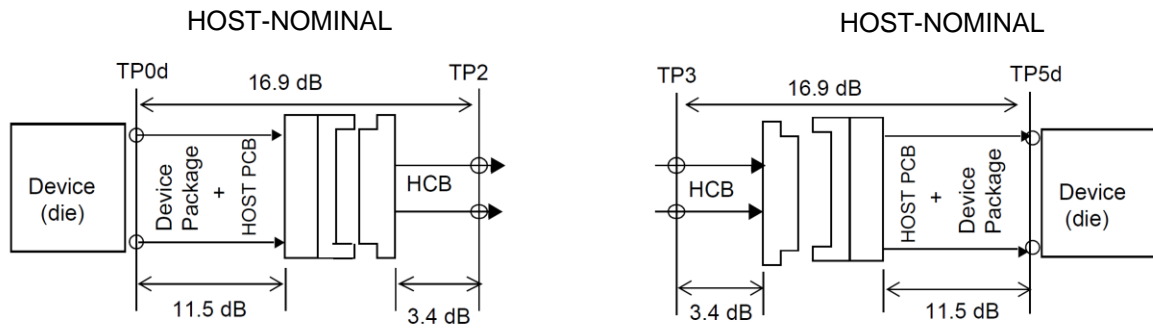
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<b>Motion #7</b>	Move to adopt a die-to-die insertion loss $\leq 40$ dB at 53.125 GHz for 200GBASE-CR1, 400GBASE-CR2, 800GBASE-CR4 and 1.6TBASE-CR8 PHYs
<b>Technical (<math>\geq 75\%</math>)</b>	
<b>Moved by</b>	Mike Li
<b>Second by</b>	Nathan Tracy
<b>Results 802.3 (y/n/a)</b>	passed by unanimous consent. 9:25 a.m.

# Symmetrical Link - Informative Annex

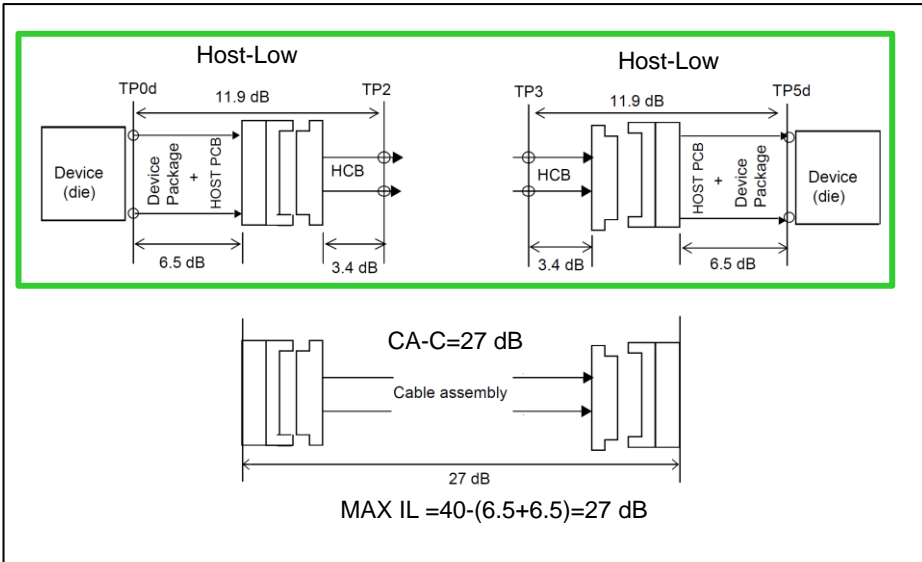
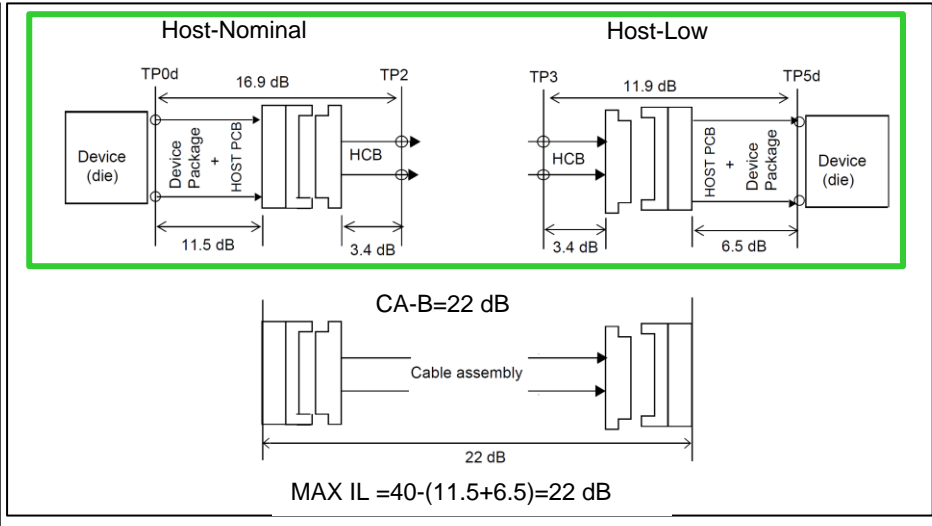
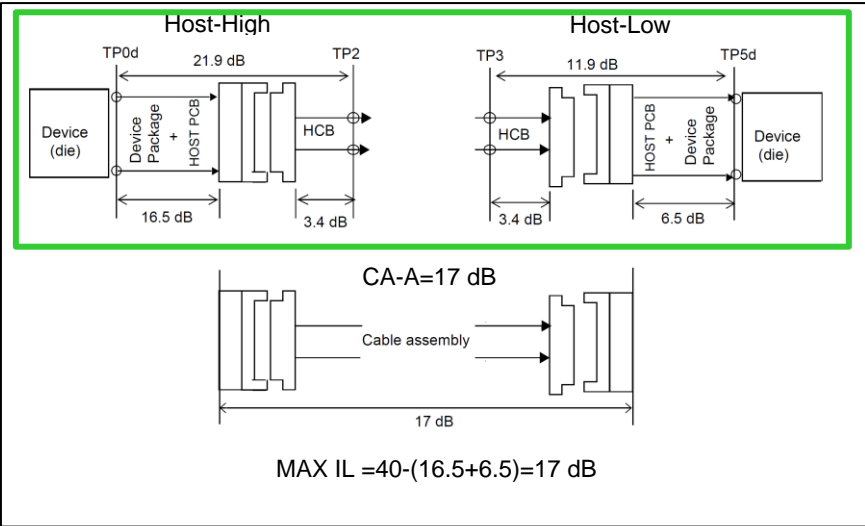


$$TP0_d - TP5_d = 11.5 + 17 + 11.5 = 40 \text{ dB}$$



$$MAX \text{ IL} = 40 - (11.5 + 11.5) = 17 \text{ dB}$$

# Asymmetrical Links - Informative Annex



Link Configurations IL (TX to RX)

	Host-Low	Host-Nominal	Host-High
Host -Low	CA-A,B,C	CA-A,B	CA-A
Host-Nominal	CA-A,B	CA-A	not supported
Host-High	CA-A	not Supported	not supported

	Device Package + Host PCB		Cable + 2xconnectors	
Host-Low	6.5 dB		CA-A	17 dB
Host-Nominal	11.5 dB		CA-B	22 dB
Host-High	16.5 dB		CA-C	27 dB



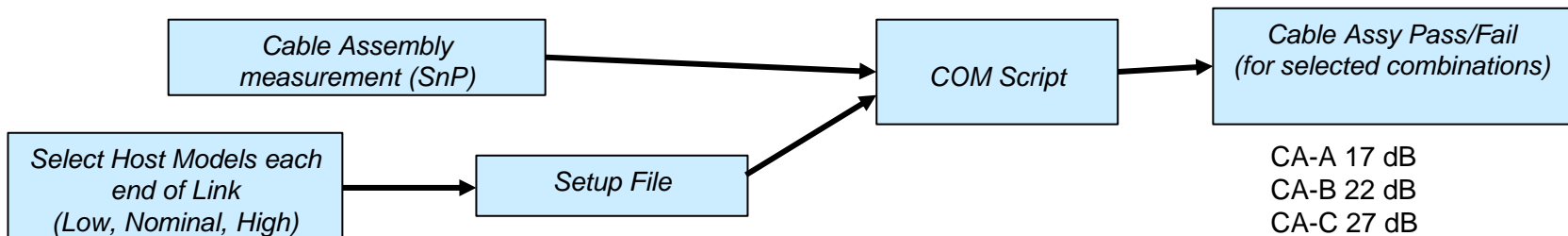
# COM and Host Loss

- COM analysis similar to 802.3ck with addition of Host Loss options in COM setup file (Host-Low, Host-Nominal, or Host-High)
- COM analysis includes cases in the following table;
  - CA-A cable assemblies shall pass six Host combinations
  - CA-B cable assemblies shall pass three Host combinations
  - CA-C cable assembly shall pass one Host combination

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	Host-Low	Host-Nominal	Host-High
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Host-High	CA-A	not Supported	not supported

- CA-A/B/C shall pass respective cable assembly specifications



# Summary

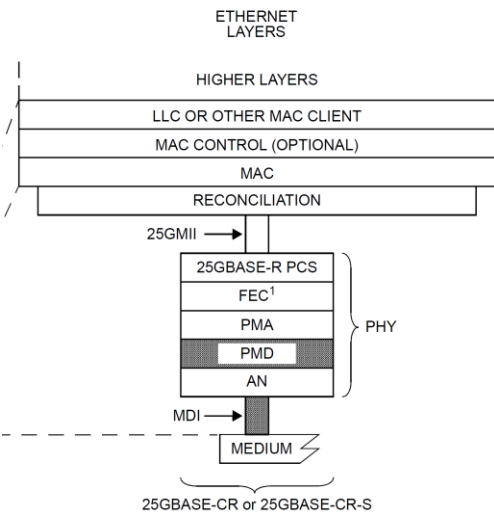
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- Insertion loss baseline for symmetrical and asymmetrical links.
- The 40 dB die-to-die loss budget allocated to enable a wider variety of host losses and cable assembly losses (reach).

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# Supplemental

# Clause 110. type 25GBASE-CR and 25GBASE-CR-S



A 25GBASE-CR PHY operates over cable assemblies of types CA-25G-N, CA-25G-S and CA-25G-L (see 110.10). A 25GBASE-CR-S PHY operates over cable assemblies of types CA-25G-N and CA-25G-S. A 25GBASE-CR-S PHY interoperates with a 25GBASE-CR PHY. Table 110–2 summarizes the cable assembly types supported by each of the PHY types.

**Table 110–2—Cable assembly types supported by each PHY type**

PHY type	CA-25G-N	CA-25G-S	CA-25G-L
25GBASE-CR	Yes	Yes	Yes
25GBASE-CR-S	Yes	Yes	No

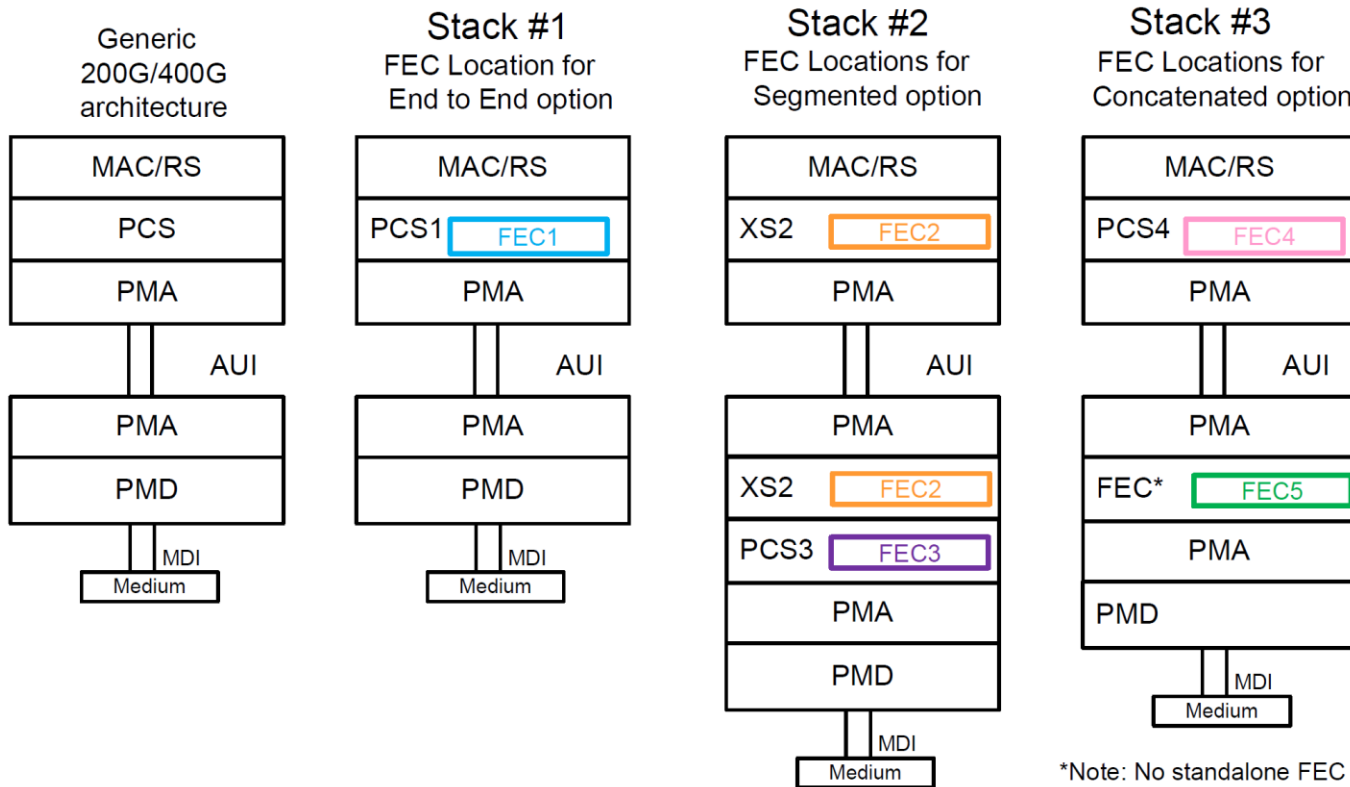
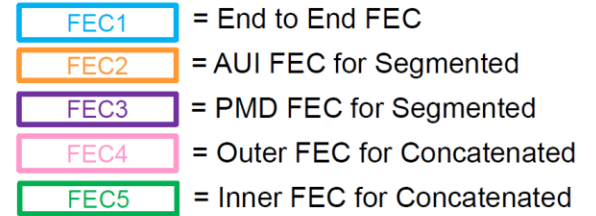
Cable assembly type	Length <sup>a</sup>	FEC modes supported <sup>b</sup>
CA-25G-L	5 m	RS-FEC
CA-25G-S	3 m	RS-FEC BASE-R FEC
		RS-FEC BASE-R FEC
CA-25G-N	3 m	no FEC

<sup>a</sup> Indicates the achievable length of compliant cable assemblies. It may be possible to construct compliant cable assemblies longer than indicated. Length of the cable assembly does not imply compliance to specifications.  
<sup>b</sup> FEC mode is selected through Auto-Negotiation (Clause 73). See 110.6.

Source: IEEE Std 802.3-2022, IEEE Standard for Ethernet

# Proposed 200GbE/400GbE Architecture

- How various FEC schemes fit into the architecture
- FECs might or might not be reused across schemes



\*Note: No standalone FEC sublayer in 802.3bs