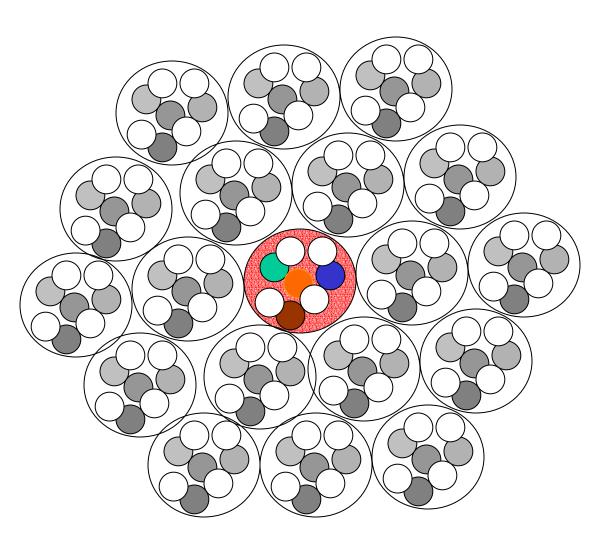
PoE Effect on Cable Temperature Variance

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Problem Statement

- PoE will change temperature of cabling over time.
- 802.3an is concerned about insertion loss changes with temperature variation.
- ISO/IEC SC 25/WG 3 does not have answers.

PoE Problem Visual



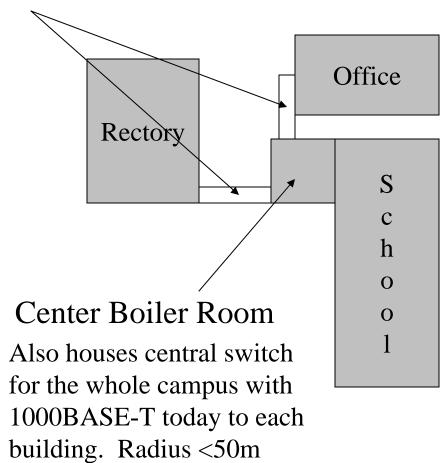
However

Programmable Thermostat



Small Campus

Mechanical Tunnels



Why a copper campus?

- All runs are indoors no aerial runs / no lightening.
- Use of GBIC, SFP and uplink modules isolate each link breaking ground loops.
- Radius of runs is relatively short.

Conclusion

- Work needs to be done on PoE effects
- Other sources of temperature variation are probably greater.