Some issues and considerations for RE

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Issues

- Timing master selection criteria
 - Device class
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- Device classes
 - class 0 : Legacy Hub(looks like a splitter in the EPON)/Repeater/Switch/NIC
 - class 1 : Residential Ethernet DTE , a device without switching capability
 - class 1 + : a class 1 device with timing master capability
 - class 2 : a device with switching capability
- Who will be winner of Timing Master?
 Class 2 > class1 +

What is a Timing Master in RE?

Timing Master

- ✓ Source of sync for the Residential Ethernet network.
- ✓ Provide the sample CLK to other devices
- Selecting Timing Master is automatic and transparent to the end user
- Must establish one Timing Master using a set of defined rules.

What is going to be Timing master?



 If several class 1+ device in the network, we need to consider algorithm for timing master to be determined(e.g., contention based)

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Star-Topology : Switched Network



 Class 2 device will be Timing Master in the Switched Network

What is going to be Timing master?



 If there are several daisy chained class 2 devices in the network, we need to consider algorithm for timing master to be determined(e.g., contention based)

Other Issues

- Do not specify a single line speed
- Coexistence with legacy ethernet devices



conclusions

- Classify device roles depending on topology
 - Do not specify a single topology
- Specify a mechanism to coexist with legacy Ethernet devices