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NBASE-T and IEEE802.3bz Technology and Transmitter Test Measurements

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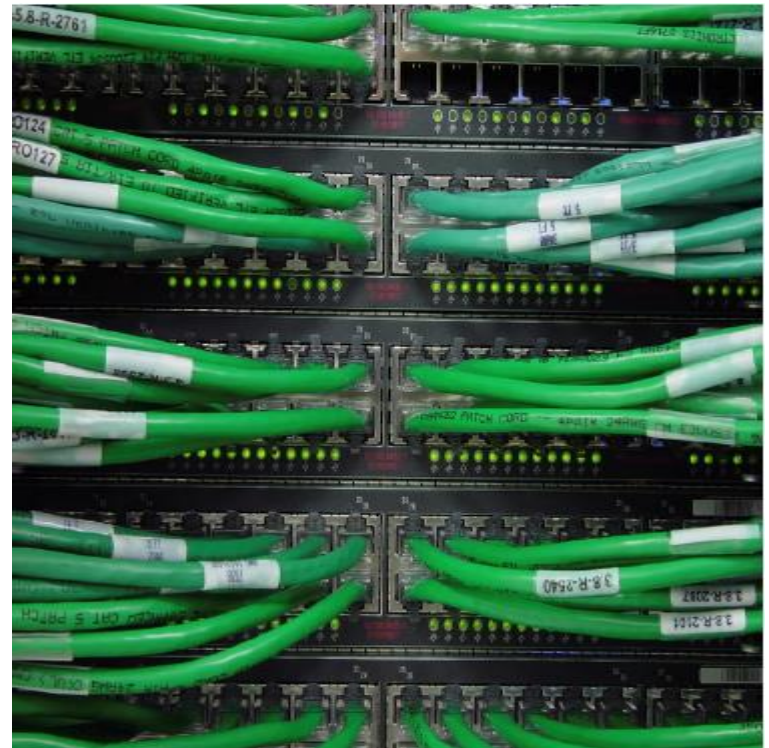
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Agenda

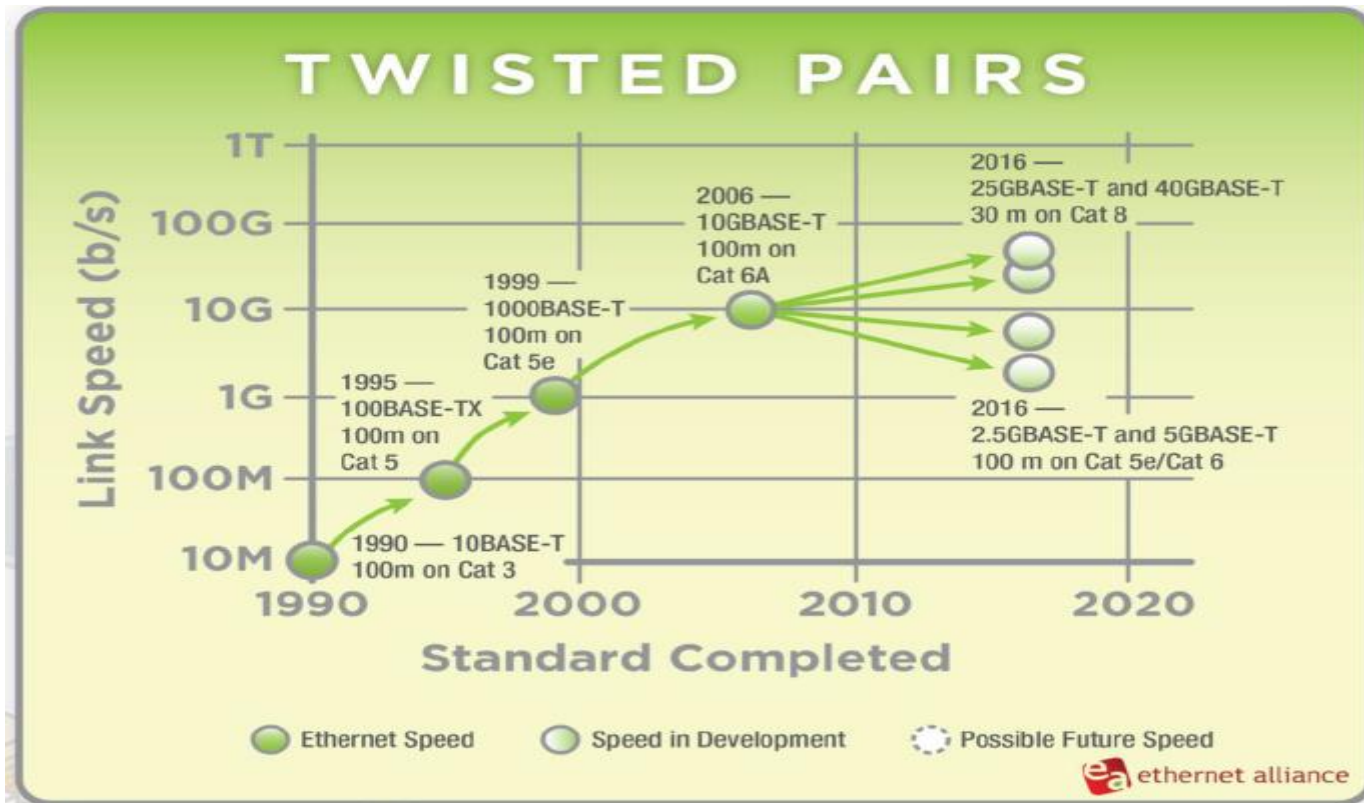
- Market Trends
- 2.5G and 5G Specifications and Standards
- NBASE-T Technology
- Testing Challenges

BASE-T Deployment

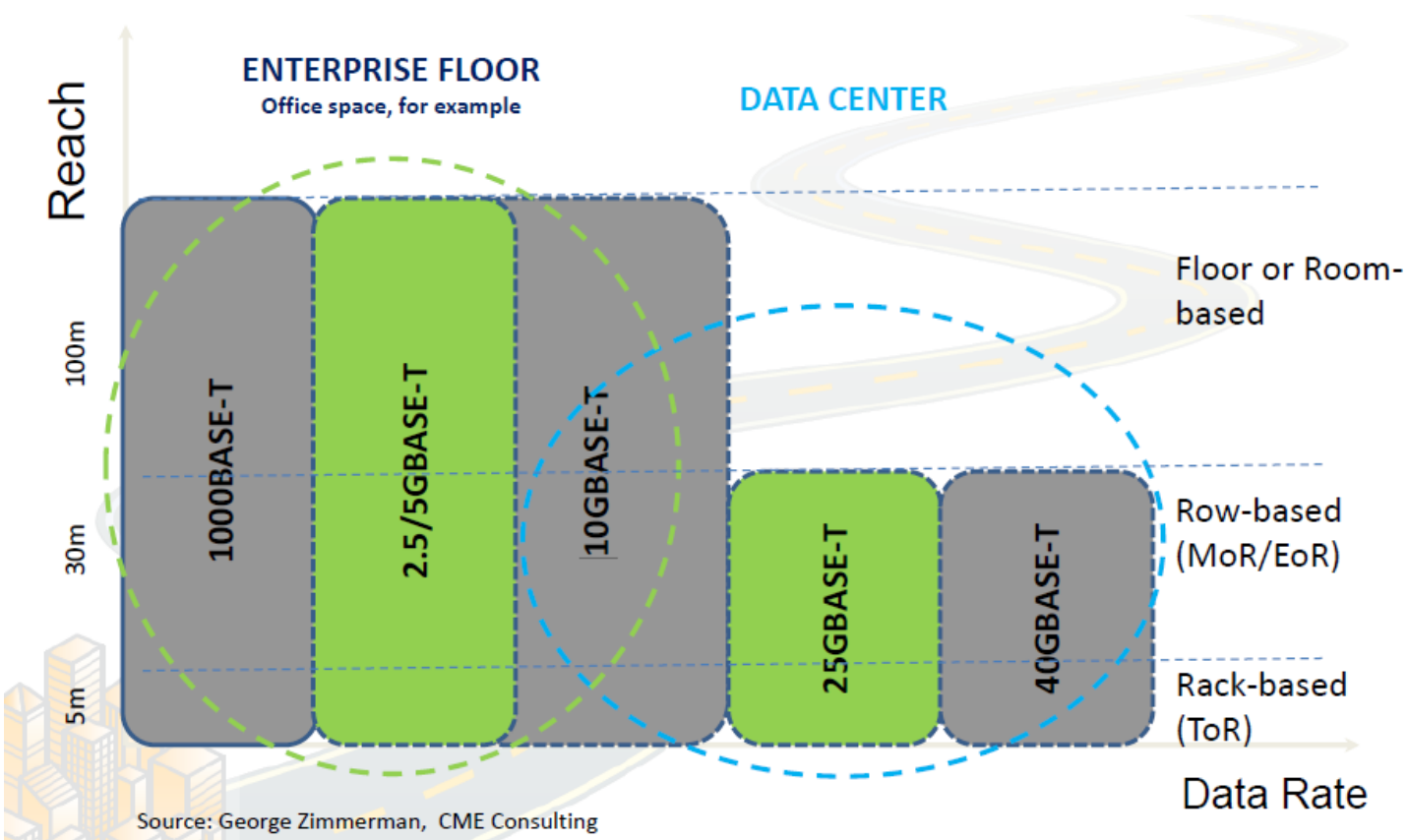
- Major Applications of BASE-T Endpoints
 - Desktops computers, servers,
 - IP Phones, Wireless Access Points
 - Consumer Electronics
- >4 Billion 100BASE-T & 1000BASE-T switch ports shipped in last 20 years.
 - Similar # for end points
 - BASE-T port total is approaching 1B/year
- BASE-T success attributes
 - Ease Of use and backward compatibility
 - Structured cabling
 - Incremental speed upgrades
 - Multi-vendor interoperability
 - Supports Power Over Ethernet
 - Single-cable delivery of power and data to end devices
 - Optimal cost / performance



BASE-T Roadmap



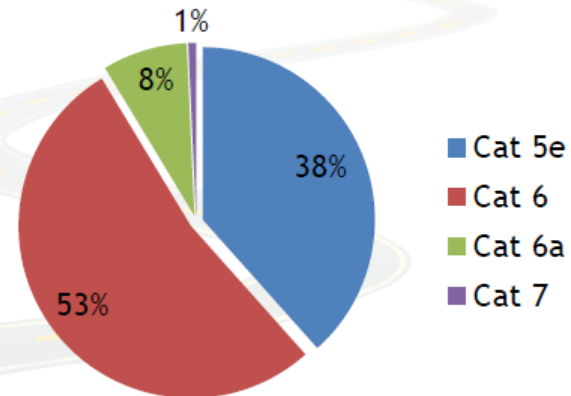
The Application Spaces of BASE-T



Enterprise Access Links Today

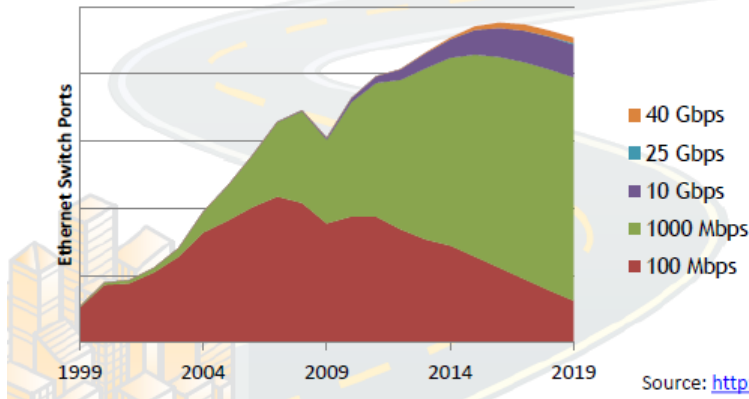
World wide BASE-T cabling is dominated by Cat 5e & Cat 6.

Based on cable sales data, average drop lengths and replacement rates
Source: BSRIA December 14



Ethernet Switch Ports by Speed

Dell'Oro Group Ethernet Switch 5-year Forecast Jan 2015



Enterprise Access port types are dominated by 1000BASE-T

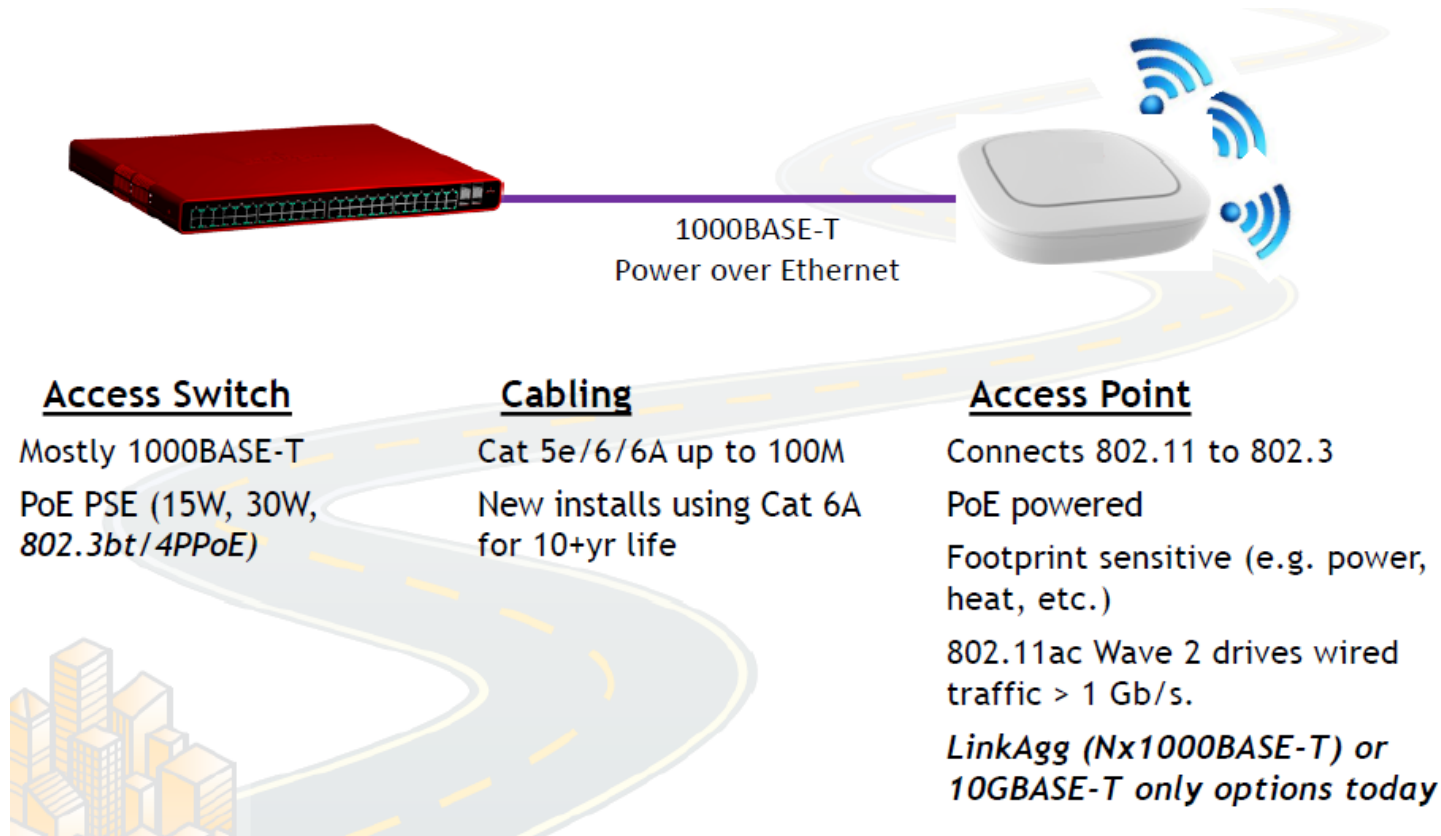
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Cable Infrastructure

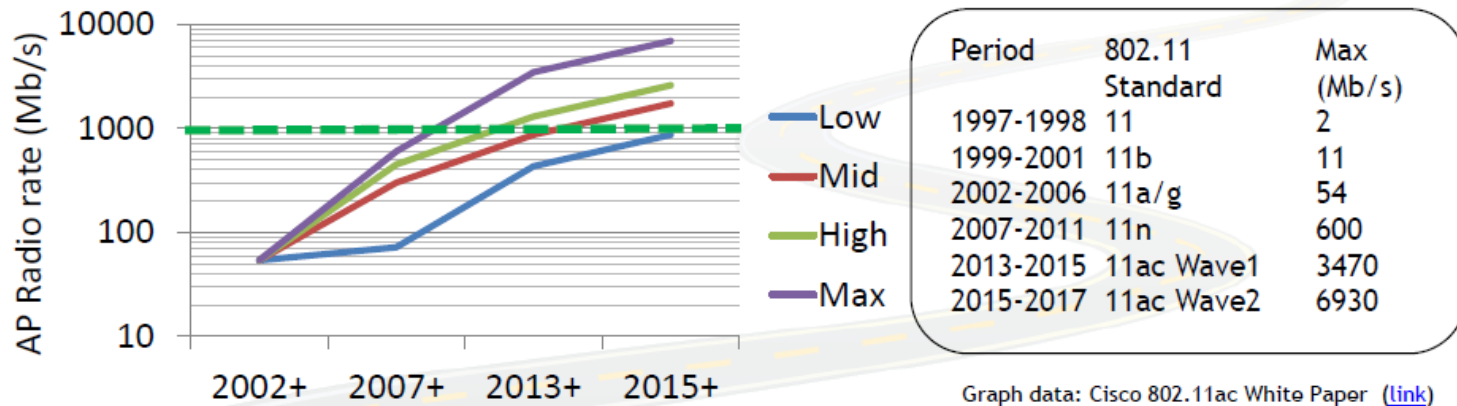
- From 2003 to 2014 ~70 billion meters of Cat 5e and Cat 6 cabling have been sold....
 - ~90% of installed base
 - To the moon and back close to 100 times!
- Existing specifications support 1Gb/s over this cable
- Customers demanding more value from this infrastructure.



802.3 Ethernet and 802.11 Wireless LAN



Enterprise Access Point Radio Bandwidth



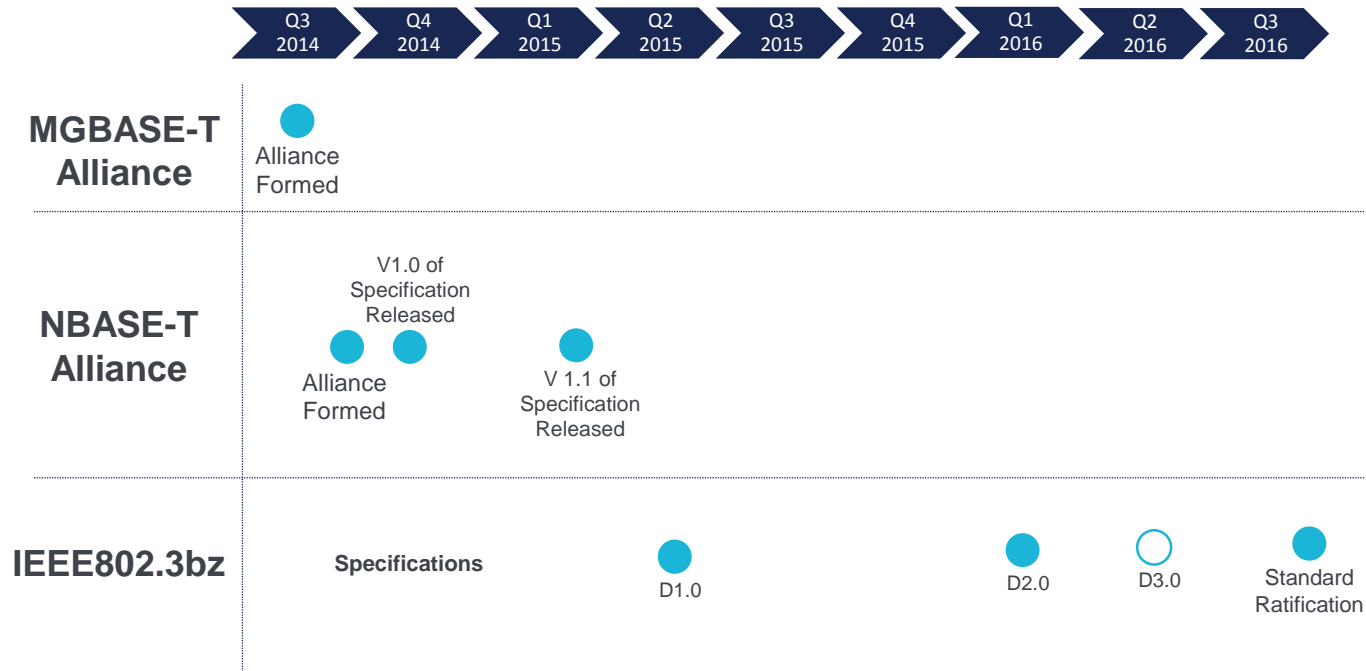
802.11 is clearly outgrowing 1000BASE-T

APs upgraded faster than switches, switches faster than cabling

802.11ax (High Efficiency WLAN) is coming, targets 4x throughput per station.

**AP to switch bandwidth should be ~75% of radio bandwidth
(to avoid Ethernet link as system bottleneck)**

Getting to a 2.5G/5G Standard

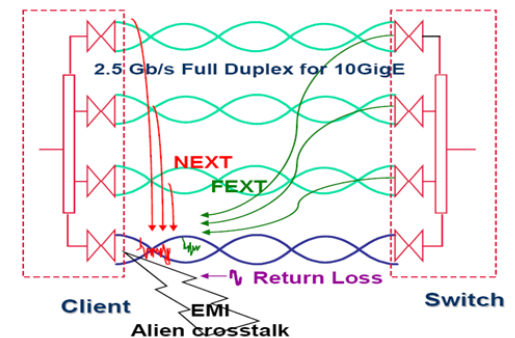
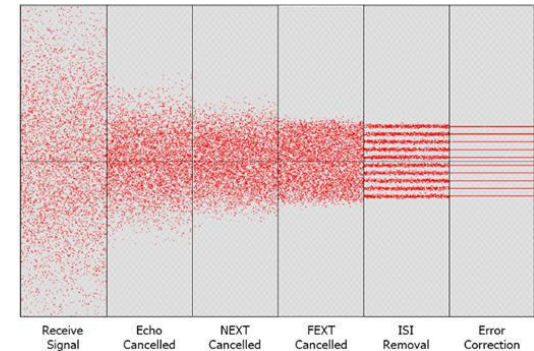


“The technical baselines adopted by the 802.3bz Task Force are consistent with the NBASE-T specification and all NBASE-T products are expected to be compatible with the final standard, which is on track for ratification later this year, the group stated.”

Network World; May 4, 2016

2.5G/5G BASE-T Technology

- NBASE-T PHY is similar to 10GBASE-T PHY specified in Clause 55 of IEEE 802.3-2012
 - The clock is scaled by 1/2 and 1/4 in order to accommodate 5Gbps and 2.5Gbps data rates, respectively
- 10GBASE-T technologies used to squeeze usable bandwidth out of installed cabling
- Advanced coding and signal processing allow 2.5G and 5G operation on Cat5e cabling
 - LDPC error correction capability rather than the simple CRC-8 error detection used by 10GBASE-T



2.5GBASE-T and 5GBASE-T PHY Overview

- Full duplex baseband transmission over four pairs of balanced twisted-pair structured cabling
- 2.5 Gb/s or 5 Gb/s data rate achieved by transmitting one-quarter of the aggregate data rate in each direction simultaneously on each wire pair
- Baseband 16-level PAM signaling
 - Modulation rate of 200 Megasymbols per second for 2.5GBASE-T
 - 400 Megasymbols per second for 5GBASE-T is used on each of the wire pairs

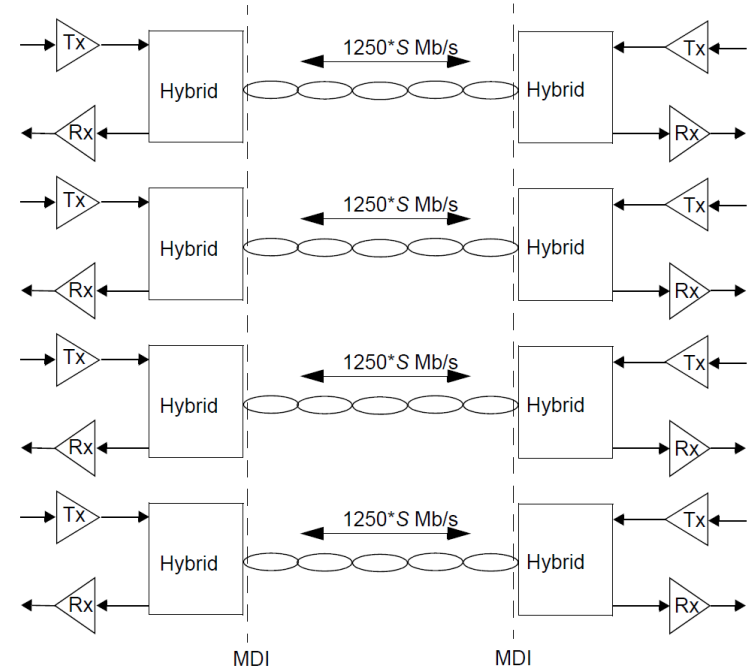


Figure 126-2—2.5GBASE-T and 5GBASE-T topology

2.5G/5G Ethernet Transmitter Test Challenges

- Multiple Specifications/Standards
- Most devices need to be tested at multiple data rates(100M/1G/2.5G/5G/10G)
- Multiple measurements need to be performed including spectral measurements
- Test Fixture needed for repeatable and reliable measurements

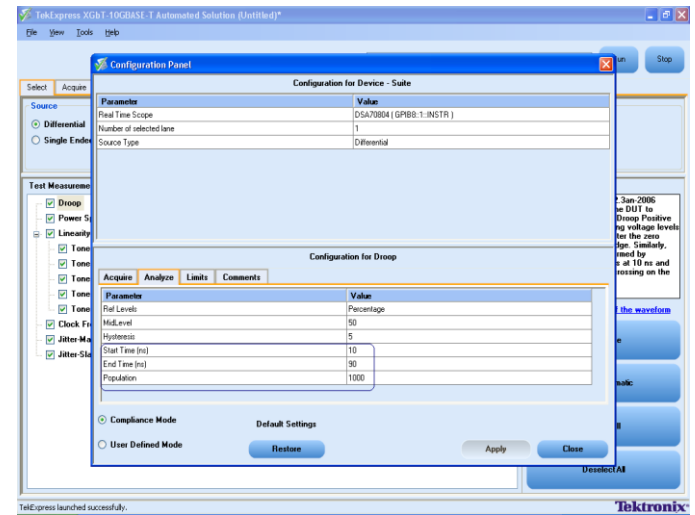
2.5G/5G Technology Transmitter Measurements

Measurement	Purpose	10GBASE-T Standard Reference	IEEE802.3bz Reference
Maximum Output Droop	To verify that the transmitter output level does not droop more than the maximum specified amount.	IEEE 802.3-2012 Subclause 55.5.3.1	IEEE803.bz Subclause 126.5.3.1
Transmit Linearity	Verify that the output of the transmitter conforms to the transmitter linearity limits.	IEEE 802.3-2012 Subclause 55.5.3.2	IEEE803.bz Subclause 126.5.3.2
Transmit Timing Jitter – MASTER	Verify that the transmitter timing jitter of the PMA is within the conformance limits.	IEEE 802.3-2012 Subclause 55.5.3.3	IEEE803.bz Subclause 126.5.3.3
Transmit Timing Jitter – SLAVE	Verify that the transmitter timing jitter of the PMA is within the conformance limits.	IEEE 802.3-2012 Subclause 55.5.3.3	IEEE803.bz Subclause 126.5.3.3
Transmit Power Spectral Density (PSD) and Power Level	Verify the transmitter power level and power spectral density are within the conformance limits	IEEE 802.3-2012 Subclause 55.5.3.14	IEEE803.bz Subclause 126.5.3.4
Transmit Clock Frequency	Verify the frequency of the Transmit Clock is within the conformance limits.	IEEE 802.3-2012 Subclause 55.5.3.5	IEEE803.bz Subclause 126.5.3.5
MDI Return Loss	Measure the return loss at the MDI for all four channels to ensure it is within conformance limits	IEEE 802.3-2012 Subclause 55.8.2.1	IEEE803.bz Subclause 126.8.2.1

- Test Algorithms for 10GBASE-T, NBASE-T and IEEE802.bz are mostly common
 - IEEE802.3bz linearity measurement for 2.5GBASE-T now requires sine wave to be injected

Maximum Output Droop

- **Purpose** - To verify that the transmitter output level does not droop more than the maximum specified amount.
- Configure the DUT for Test Mode 6 operation

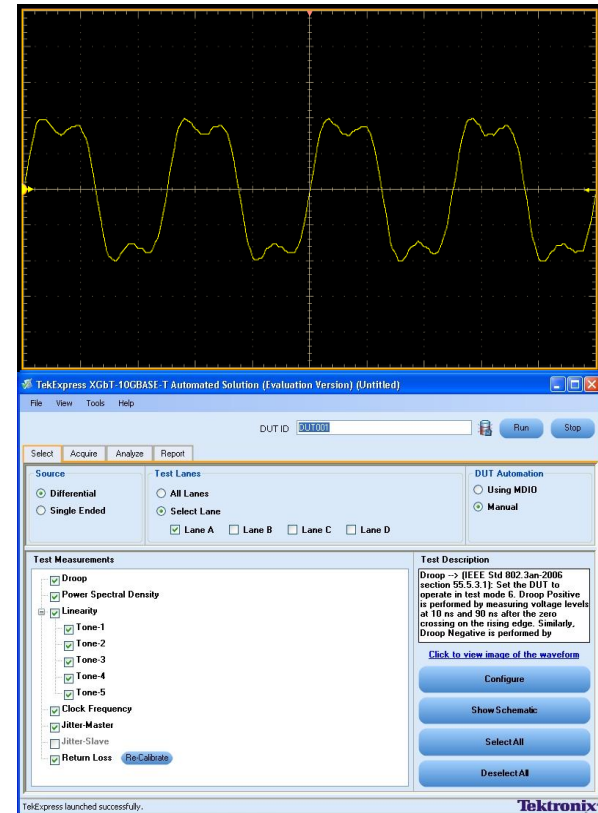


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Transmitter Clock Frequency

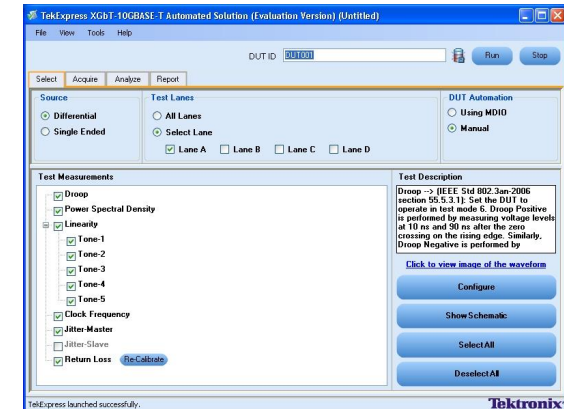
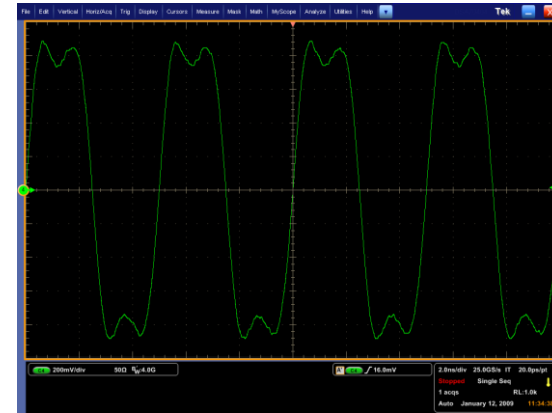
- **Purpose** - To verify the frequency of the Transmit Clock is within the conformance limits.
- Configure the DUT for Test Mode 2 operation
- Exact PPM value for measured clock frequency is shown



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Transmitter Timing Jitter – Master

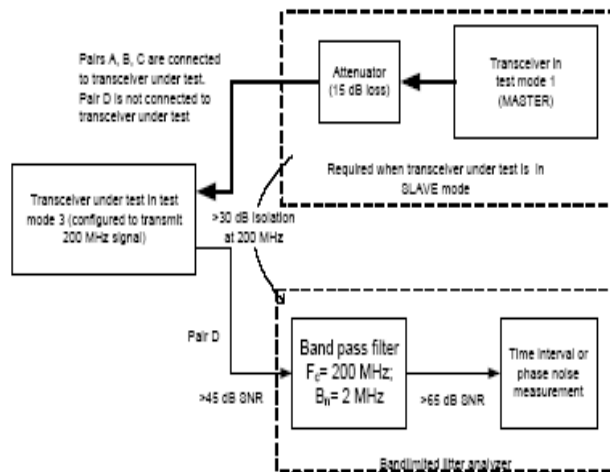
- **Purpose** - To verify that the transmitter timing jitter of the PMA is within the conformance limits.
- Configure the DUT for Test Mode 2 operation
- An appropriate software filter is applied to the input waveform.



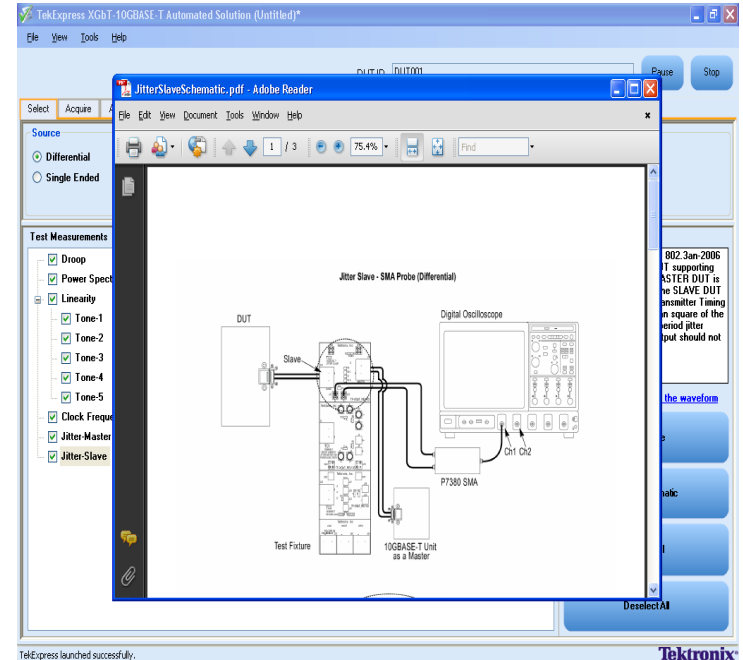
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Transmitter Timing Jitter –Slave

- **Purpose** - To verify that the transmitter timing jitter of the PMA is within the conformance limits.
- Configure the Master PHY for Test Mode 1 and Slave PHY for Test Mode 3 operation
- An appropriate software filter is applied to the input waveform.

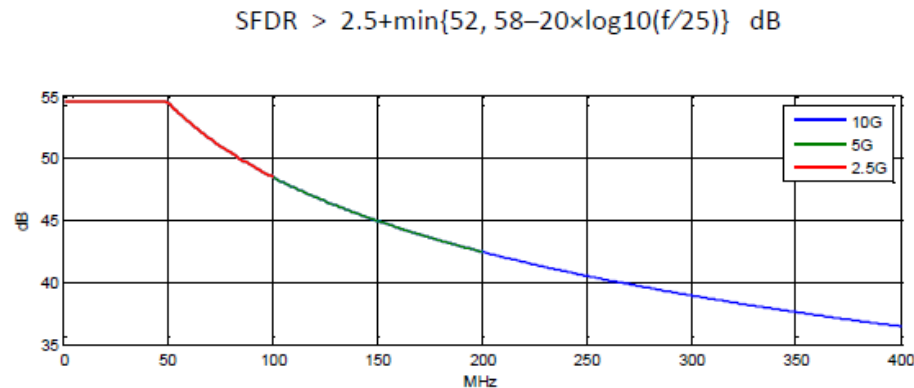


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Transmitter Linearity

- **Purpose** : To verify that the output of the transmitter conforms to the transmitter linearity limits.
- Measured on all four lanes: A, B, C & D
- While in Test Mode 4, the SFDR of the transmitter when subject to dual tone inputs producing output peak-to-peak transmit amplitude shall meet the specification
- Frequency scaling is performed to keep the minimum SFDR as in 10GBASE-T but over the relevant frequency range.



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Transmitter Power Spectral Density (PSD) and Power Level

- **Purpose** : To verify the transmitter power level and power spectral density are within the conformance limits.
- Measured on all four lanes: A, B, C & D

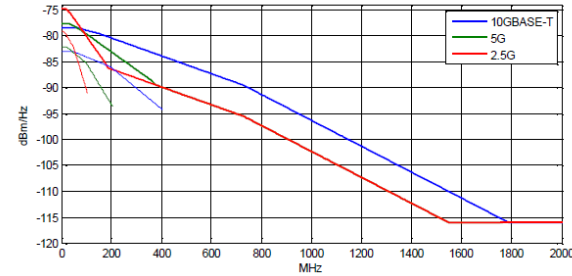


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Media Dependent Interface (MDI) Return Loss

- For reliable signal transmission, the DUT must adhere to a return loss limit curve

Figure 5: NBASE-T Tx PSD



$$P_u(f) = \begin{cases} -80.7 - 10 \times \log_{10}(S) \frac{\text{dBm}}{\text{Hz}} & 0 < \frac{f}{S} \leq 70 \\ -80.7 - 10 \times \log_{10}(S) - \left(\frac{f/S - 70}{80}\right) \frac{\text{dBm}}{\text{Hz}} & 70 < \frac{f}{S} \leq 150 \\ -81.7 - 10 \times \log_{10}(S) - \left(\frac{f/S - 150}{58}\right) \frac{\text{dBm}}{\text{Hz}} & 150 < \frac{f}{S} \leq 730 \\ -81.7 - 10 \times \log_{10}(S) - \left(\frac{f/S - 330}{40}\right) \frac{\text{dBm}}{\text{Hz}} & 730 < \frac{f}{S} \leq 1790 - 400 \times \log_{10}(S) \\ -116 \frac{\text{dBm}}{\text{Hz}} & 1790 - 400 \times \log_{10}(S) < \frac{f}{S} \leq 3000 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Upper PSD}(f) = \text{Max}(P_u(f), \text{Upper PSD}_{\text{10GBASE-T}}(f) - 6)$$

$$\text{Lower PSD}(f) = \begin{cases} -85.2 - 10 \times \log_{10}(S) \frac{\text{dBm}}{\text{Hz}} & 5 < f \leq 50 \times S \\ -85.2 - 10 \times \log_{10}(S) - \left(\frac{f/50 - 50}{50}\right) \frac{\text{dBm}}{\text{Hz}} & 50 < \frac{f}{S} \leq 200 \\ -88.2 - 10 \times \log_{10}(S) - \left(\frac{f/200 - 200}{25}\right) \frac{\text{dBm}}{\text{Hz}} & 200 < \frac{f}{S} \leq 400 \end{cases}$$

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2.5G/5GBASE-T Recommended Equipment

Test Equipment Requirements are similar to 10GBASE-T so most labs should consider the need for 10GBASE-T as well

- Real-Time Scope
 - 4 GHz recommended for 10GBASE-T (3.5 GHz is minimum)
 - 2.5 GHz bandwidth recommended for 2.5G and 5G testing
- Test Fixture
 - Tektronix TF-XGbT supports differential and SMA probes
- Probes
 - Resistance > 10 K ohm and capacitance < 1 pF over the frequency range of (1 MHz to 400 MHz)×S
 - P6330 – 3.5GHz Differential Probe
- Automation Software
- Arbitrary Waveform Generator(For Return Loss Testing)

Test Fixture

- Provides easy access to the 10GBASE-T Electrical signals to perform conformance testing and device characterization



Fig 1: XGbT Test Fixture main board



Fig 2: Calibration Board

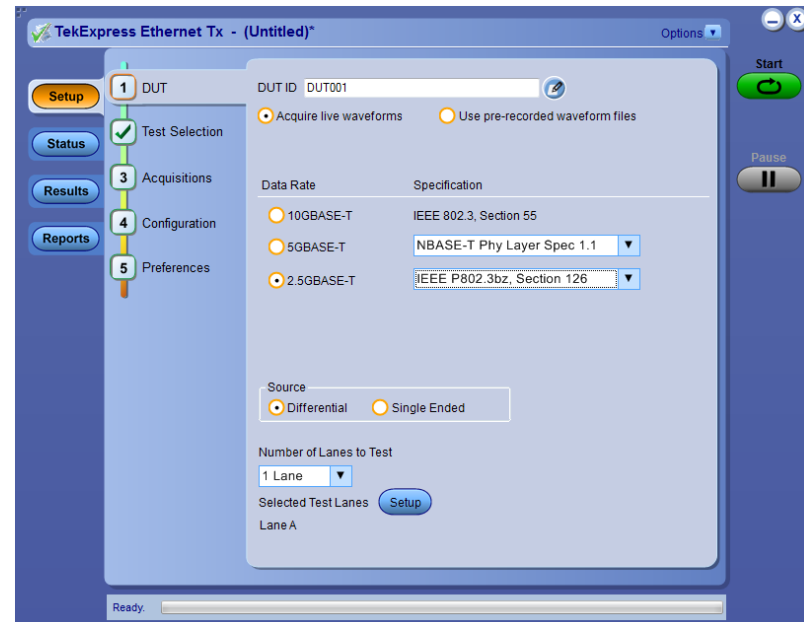


Figure 3: RJ45 Shielded Patch cord

Automation Software

- TekExpress Automation for Ethernet Tx Compliance

- ✓ Single application supports: 2.5G, 5G, and 10G data rates
- ✓ Single application supports NBASE-T specification, IEEE802.3bz standard, and 10GBASE-T Standard
- ✓ Tests multiple lanes
- ✓ Automates scope setup
- ✓ Acquires the data
- ✓ Provides custom reporting



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TekExpress for Ethernet Tx - Setup

The screenshot shows the TekExpress Ethernet Tx Setup window. The interface is divided into several sections, with a red box highlighting the main configuration area. On the right side, four callout boxes point to specific features:

- Run Analysis on Live or Pre-Recorded Data:** Points to the 'Start' button and the radio buttons for 'Acquire live waveforms' and 'Use pre-recorded waveform files'.
- Data rate/ specification selection:** Points to the 'Data Rate' and 'Specification' dropdown menus.
- Supports Differential or Single-Ended Probes:** Points to the 'Source' radio buttons for 'Differential' and 'Single Ended'.
- Lane Selection and Setup:** Points to the 'Number of Lanes to Test' dropdown and the 'Selected Test Lanes' section.

The configuration area includes the following details:

- DUT ID:** DUT001
- Data Rate:** 2.5GBASE-T (selected)
- Specification:** IEEE P802.3bz, Section 126 (selected)
- Source:** Differential (selected)
- Number of Lanes to Test:** 1 Lane
- Selected Test Lanes:** Lane A

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TekExpress for Ethernet Tx – Test Selection

The screenshot displays the TekExpress Ethernet Tx software interface. The main window title is "TekExpress Ethernet Tx - (Untitled)*". On the left, a vertical navigation pane shows five steps: 1. DUT (checked), 2. Test Selection (highlighted), 3. Acquisitions, 4. Configuration, and 5. Preferences. The "Test Selection" step is active, showing a list of test items for "Ethernet Tx : 2.5GBASE-T : IEEE P802.3bz, Section 126". The list includes:

- 2.5GBASE-T Measurements
 - Maximum Output Droop
 - Power Spectrum Density
 - Linearity
 - Tone-1
 - Tone-2
 - Tone-3
 - Tone-4
 - Tone-5
 - Clock Frequency
 - Jitter Master
 - Jitter Slave
 - Return Loss

Buttons for "Deselect All" and "Select All" are visible above the list. Below the list is a "Test Description" field containing the text: "Set the DUT to operate in Test Mode 6. This measurement will verify that the transmitter output level does not droop more than the maximum specified amount." A "Schematic" button is located to the right of the description. On the right side of the interface, there are "Start" (with a refresh icon) and "Pause" (with a stop icon) buttons. A blue box labeled "Test Selection" is connected to the "Start" button by a line.

TekExpress for Ethernet Tx – Results Table

TekExpress Ethernet Tx - (GoldenSession-10G)*

Overall Test Result ✔ Pass

Options v Preferences v

Start ↻

Pause ⏸

Clear ✕

Test Name	Pass/Fail	Value	Margin	Units
▶ Lane A	✔ Pass			
▶ Maximum Output Droop	✔ Pass	0.9277174	L:0.9277 H:9.0723	%
High Limit	✔ Pass	10		
Low Limit	✔ Pass	0		
▶ Maximum Output Droop	✔ Pass	1.0277930	L:1.0278 H:8.9722	%
High Limit	✔ Pass	10		
Low Limit	✔ Pass	0		
▶ Tone-1	✔ Pass	63.0336501	L:8.5337	dBm
High Limit	N.A	N.A		
Low Limit	✔ Pass	54.5		
▶ Tone-2	✔ Pass	61.6429975	L:11.3430	dBm
▶ Tone-3	✔ Pass	61.8778672	L:16.4779	dBm
High Limit	N.A	N.A		
Low Limit	✔ Pass	45.4		
▶ Tone-4	✔ Pass	59.3263199	L:17.7263	dBm
High Limit	N.A	N.A		
Low Limit	✔ Pass	41.6		
▶ Tone-5	✔ Pass	57.1828344	L:18.6828	dBm
High Limit	N.A	N.A		

Completed.

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TekExpress for Ethernet Tx – Reports

Tektronix		TekExpress Ethernet Tx 10GBASE-T Test Report							
Setup Information									
DUT ID	DUT001	Scope Information			DSA73304D, Q100001				
Date/Time	2016-02-11 13:53:14	SPC, FactoryCalibration			PASS,PASS				
Device Type	Ethernet Tx	Scope F/W Version			7.1.3 Build 1				
TekExpress Ethernet Tx Version	0.0.0.60	Probe1 Information			N.A, N.A				
TekExpress Framework Version	4.0.4.224	Probe2 Information			N.A, N.A				
Execution Mode	Pre-Recorded	Probe3 Information			N.A, N.A				
Probing Type	Single-Ended	Probe4 Information			N.A, N.A				
Compliance Mode	True								
Overall Test Result	Pass								
Overall Execution Time	0:01:14								
DUT COMMENT:	General comment								
Maximum Output Droop									
Measurement Details	Lane	Iteration	Measured Value	Test Result	Margin	Low Limit	High Limit	Units	Comments
Droop Positive	Lane A	1	0.9277174	Pass	L:0.9277 H:9.0723	0	10	%	Max: 1.6476 Min: 0.1241
Droop Negative	Lane A	1	1.0277930	Pass	L:1.0278 H:8.9722	0	10	%	Max: 1.6545 Min: 0.2289
COMMENTS	Droop Pulse Count: 500Droop Pulse Count: 500								
Back to Summary Tabl									
Tone-1									
Measurement Details	Lane	Iteration	Measured Value	Test Result	Margin	Low Limit	High Limit	Units	Comments
Linearity Tone-1	Lane A	1	63.0336501	Pass	L:8.5337	54.5	N.A	dBm	IMD: 0.21% TF1: 36.72 MHz TF2: 41.41 MHz IMF: 17.97 MHz
COMMENTS									
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Tone-2									
Measurement Details	Lane	Iteration	Measured Value	Test Result	Margin	Low Limit	High Limit	Units	Comments
Linearity Tone-2	Lane A	1	61.6429975	Pass	L:11.3430	50.3	N.A	dBm	IMD: 0.23% TF1: 78.90 MHz TF2: 80.47 MHz IMF: 238.28 MHz
COMMENTS									

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Summary

- Increases in wireless bandwidth outpacing current wired capability
- Massive installed-base of Cat 5e and Cat 6 cable is expensive to upgrade so jump to 10GBASE-T is not cost-effective
- IEEE currently working on 2.5GBASE-T and 5GBASE-T standards (IEEE802.3bz)
- Similar testing challenges as for 10GBASE-T
- Automation of testing is key to productivity
- Testing needs to support multiple speeds

Links

- Tektronix Ethernet Solutions: <http://www.tek.com/ethernet-test>
- TekExpress Ethernet Tx Datasheet: <http://www.tek.com/datasheet/tekexpress-10gbase-t-and-nbase-t-datasheet>
- NBASE-T Alliance Website: <http://www.nbaset.org/>
- Fundamentals of NBASE-T Video: <http://www.nbaset.org/fundamentals-of-nbase-t/>

Thank You!

