

# MULTIPLE DOWNSTREAM OFDM CHANNELS



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- A concept approach for multiple OFDM channels was used as part of an example in [laubach\\_3bn\\_02\\_1113.pdf](#) (page 3-8).
- This presentation formalizes and proposes multiple downstream channels in support of meeting/approaching our 10 Gbps objective
  - The 802.3 1.4.233 *lane* definition does not really fit this approach, the 1.4.127 *channel* definition is more accurate.
- **Good news: OFDM is already using subcarriers. The downstream Symbol Mapper multiplexes over a space of 4096 subcarriers (max 3800 usable).**
  - 4096 is a nice binary number
  - Multiplexing over  $N * 4096$  is a straightforward extension for both the Symbol Mapper as well as configuration management
  - Question is: what value is N?

- **Proposal development initially examined 4 downstream channels**
  - Can be amended to 5, 6, or 7 after discussion and Objective review
- **First: viewed from raw data capacity (all overheads on page 7):**
  - $(N = 4) * 190 \text{ MHz} * 12 \text{ bits/sec/Hz} = 4 * 2.28 \text{ Gbps} = 9.12 \text{ Gbps}$ 
    - $(N = 5) = 11.4 \text{ Gbps}$
  - $N = 4$  is a more than a little short of 10 Gbps at MAC / PLS Objective
    - $N = 5$  gets closer, still more needed
- **Second: viewed from RF Spectrum availability:**
  - In the lifetime of EPoC, available RF Spectrum may move:
  - From: 54 MHz to 1 GHz => 940 MHz
    - 4.8 channels
  - To: 300 MHz to 1 GHz => 700 MHz (proposal focus)
    - 3.6 channels
  - Or to: 300 MHz 1.212 GHz = 912 MHz (haven't seen > 1.0 GHz hardware)
    - 4.75 channels
  - The above also assumes a Cable Operator will devote the majority of their downstream RF spectrum to EPoC – not very likely

- Refer to Figure: [laubach\\_3bn\\_04\\_0914.fm](#) (PDF)
- **Symbol Mapper extends to  $(N = 4) * 4096$  ( $4 * 3800$ ) subcarriers for mapping**
  - Mapping simply starts at Channel 0, then 1, 2, 3.
  - FCP (NCP) is not effected
- **Each channel is separately placed in RF spectrum**
  - Encompassed spectrum may be immediately adjacent, but no overlap; i.e. no exclusion or guard band needed between a subcarrier of one channel with the adjacent subcarrier from another channel
- **Channels 1, 2, 3 are optionally enabled, 0 is always configured**
- **PHY Link is associated / processed as part of Channel 0**
  - One PHY Link for the downstream (reduced complexity over multiple)
- **Each OFDM Channel**
  - Same extended OFDM symbol time and windowing configuration
  - Same symbol rate clock, inter-channel transmit skew tolerance  $\leq 156.25$  ns
  - Same frame timing synchronization with PHY Discovery
  - Separate interleaver, pilot insertion, IFFT, cyclic prefix and windowing

- Draft text changes in [laubach\\_3bn\\_05\\_0914.pdf](#) (PDF)

# Objectives (2/4)

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- **Provide a physical layer specification that is capable of:**
  - A baseline data rate of 1 Gb/s at the MAC/PLS service interface when transmitting in 120 MHz, or less, of assigned spectrum under defined baseline plant conditions;
  - A data rate lower than the baseline data rate when transmitting in less than 120 MHz of assigned spectrum or under poorer than defined plant conditions;
  - A data rate higher than the 1Gb/s baseline data rate and up to 10 Gb/s when transmitting in assigned spectrum and in channel conditions that permit.
- **PHY to support symmetric and asymmetric data rate operation.**

# 5 OR 6 CHANNELS AND CHANGE OBJECTIVE?

See [laubach\\_3bn\\_15\\_0914.xlsx](#)

Channels	DS RF MHz	DS FEC Rate	64B/66B/65B Rate	CLT_DS_DataRate	XGMII Rate (approx)	
Static values	1	192.00	0.882716049	0.984615385	2,175,219,512.20	1,890,561,156.28
	0.62105	120.00			1,348,097,560.98	1,171,679,855.47
	1	192.00			2,175,219,512.20	1,890,561,156.28
	4	762.00			8,714,926,829.27	7,574,454,923.22
	4.64	883.60			10,109,853,658.54	8,786,835,772.36
	5	952.00			10,894,829,268.29	9,469,086,178.86
	5.3	1,009.00			11,548,682,926.83	10,037,373,803.07
	6	1,142.00			13,074,731,707.32	11,363,717,434.51

Note: Clause 51.2 PMA\_UNITDATA.request rate is ( 16 bits \* 644531250 Hz ) = 10,312,500,000.00

RS (255,223) Rate	64B/66B Rate	PMA rate	XGMII Rate (approx)
0.874509804	0.96969697	10,312,500,000.00	8,745,098,039.22

Adopt N = 5 channels

Modify objective, change “10 Gb/s” to “10G-EPON equivalent rate”

**Move to:**

**Adopt into the draft the figure 100-2 update based on laubach\_3bn\_04\_0914.pdf Page 1 and text updates as per laubach\_3bn\_05\_9414.pdf. Editors will update to support 5 downstream OFDM channels.**

**Move to:**

**Amend P802.3bn Task Force objective as follows:**

- A data rate higher than the 1Gb/s baseline data rate and up to ~~10 Gb/s~~ 10G-EPON equivalent rate when transmitting in assigned spectrum and in channel conditions that permit.

**Direct the P802.3bn Chair to bring forward at next IEEE 802 plenary meeting for Working Group approval.**

Thank you