# 802.3ca PHY Names Revisited 

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## Accepted PHY naming

| $\mathbf{2 5}$ or <br> $\mathbf{5 0}$ | Downstream MAC rate. |
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| $[/ \mathbf{1 0}$ or <br> $\mathbf{2 5}]$ | Upstream MAC rate. Only shown for asymmetric channels |
| $\mathbf{G}$ | Gigabit/s rate (in reference to the above numbers) |
| $\mathbf{B A S E}$ | Baseband Signal |


| $\mathbf{P}$ | PON medium |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{Q}$ | PCS type: $\mathbf{Q}$ for $256 \mathrm{~b} / 257 \mathrm{~b}$ |
| $\mathbf{m}$ | Supported downstream wavelengths $=\{1,2\}$ |
| $\mathbf{n}$ | Supported upstream wavelengths $=\{1,2\}+\{\mathrm{G}, \mathrm{X}\}$ |
| $\mathbf{-}$ | D - Downstream-facing PMD (i.e., in the OLT) <br> $\mathbf{U}$ - Upstream-facing PMD (i.e., in the ONU) |
| $\mathbf{D}$ | Power class $=\{2,3\}$ |
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# PX, PRX, PR, and PQ PHY Types 

$\square$ The letter(s) after "P" supposedly identify PCS line coding format

- X: 8b/10b
- R: 64b/66b
- Q: 256b/257b
- In Clause 60 and 75, we re-purposed these letters for PHY Link names because each unique line coding also used a unique line rate.
- PX: Symmetric 1Gb/s PON media
- PR: Symmetric 10Gb/s PON media
- PRX: Asymmetric 10Gb/s down + 1Gb/s up PON media


## New Problem to Solve

$\square$ We cannot continue the same trend, because with PQ, a unique line code does not mean a unique line rate.

- $10.3125 \mathrm{~Gb} /$ s rate can be used with both 64b/66b (in 802.3av) and 256b/257b (in 802.3ca)
$\square$ We are now forced to make a decision: Should letters $\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{R}, \mathbf{Q}$ represent PON line coding or PON line rate?



## Option \#1 (current)

$\square$ Letters $\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{R}$, and Q designate line coding. But we never used PX, PR, and PRX in PCS clauses, where the line coding is defined. We always use these terms in PMD clauses to differentiate line rates.
$\square$ Because line rate is not indicated in PMD name in any way, we had to resort to an explicit indication of the number of wavelengths to determine the line rates
$\square$ 50G-EPON per .3ca:

- 50/10GBASE-PQ21-D3
- 50/25GBASE-PQ21-D3
- 50GBASE-PQ22-D3
- Potential future 50G single-wavelength solution
- 50/10GBASE-PQ11-D3
- 50/25GBASE-PQ11-D3

| EPON PHY <br> Link Type | Line Code |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Downstream | Upstream |
| PX | $8 \mathrm{~b} / 10 \mathrm{~b}$ | $8 \mathrm{~b} / 10 \mathrm{~b}$ |
| PR | $64 \mathrm{~b} / 66 \mathrm{~b}$ | $64 \mathrm{~b} / 66 \mathrm{~b}$ |
| PRX | $64 \mathrm{~b} / 66 \mathrm{~b}$ | $8 \mathrm{~b} / 10 \mathrm{~b}$ |
| PQ | $256 \mathrm{~b} / 257 \mathrm{~b}$ | $256 \mathrm{~b} / 257 \mathrm{~b}$ |

- 50GBASE-PQ11-D3


## Option \#2

$\square$ Define "Q" to mean "25.78125 Gb/ s line rate"
$\square$ The number of wavelengths is implicit in the downstream/upstream data rates
$\square$ 50G-EPON per .3ca:

- 50/10GBASE-PQR-D3
- 50/25GBASE-PQ-D3
- 50GBASE-PQ-D3
- Potential future 50G single-wavelength solution
- Use a new letter, say "S", to represent the new line rate or new modulation
- 50/10GBASE-PSR-D3

| EPON PHY <br> Link Type | Line Rate (Gb/s) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Downstream | Upstream |
| PX | 1.25 | 1.25 |
| PR | 10.3125 | 10.3125 |
| PRX | 10.3125 | 1.25 |
| PQ | 25.78125 | 25.78125 |
| PQR | 25.78125 | 10.3125 |
| PS | 51.5625 | 51.5625 |
| PSQ | 51.5625 | 25.78125 |
| PSR | 51.5625 | 10.3125 |

- 50/25GBASE-PSQ-D3
- 50GBASE-PS-D3


## Option \#2

$\square$ Option 2 is better, but still carries redundant information

- 50/10GBASE-PQRD3
- 50125BASE-PQD3
- 50/50GBASE-PQ-D3
- 50 10GBASE-PSRD3
- $5 0 \longdiv { 2 5 G A S E - P S Q D 3 }$


## Option \#3

$\square$ PX, PR, PRX, PQ, .. identify any and all pertinent link parameters (line coding, line rate, modulation, etc.) In other words, the letters identify PMD as specified by a given project.

|  | Equivalent to | Specification Details |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| PX | as defined in .3ah | 8b/10b, NRZ, 1.25GBd |
| PR | as defined in .3av | 64b/66b, NRZ, 10.3125GBd |
| PRX | as defined in .3av | Downstream: 64b/66b, NRZ, 10.3125GBd <br> Upstream: 8b/10b, NRZ, 1.25GBd |
| PQ | as defined in .3ca | 256b/257b, NRZ, 25.78125GBd or 10.3125 <br> GBd (upstream only) |
| PS <br> (future) | as defined in .3?? | 256b/257b, NRZ/PAM4 (?), 25.78125GBd or <br> $51.5625 ~ G B d ~(?) ~$ |

## PMD names according to Option \#3

| PX (.3ah) | PRX (.3av) | PR (.3av) | PQ (.3ca) | PS (.3??) |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1000BASE-PX | 10/1GBASE-PRX | 10GBASE-PR | 25/10GBASE-PQ | 50/10GBASE-PS |
|  |  |  | 25GBASE-PQ | 50/25GBASE-PS |
|  |  |  | $50 / 10 \mathrm{GBASE-PQ}$ | 50GBASE-PS |
|  |  |  | $50 / 25 \mathrm{GBASE-PQ}$ |  |
|  |  |  | $50 \mathrm{GBASE-PQ}$ |  |

( Designators for power class, location (OLT/ONU), and coexistence option are omitted )
$\square$ Option \#3 does not carry redundant information in PMD names

## Exhaustive list of PMDs

| Upstream/ Downstream MAC data rate | Option \#1 (current) | Option \#2 | Option \#3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 25G/10G | 25/10GBASE-PQ11G-Dn 25/10GBASE-PQ11G-Un 25/10GBASE-PQ11X-Dn 25/10GBASE-PQ11X-Un | 25/10GBASE-PQRG-Dn 25/10GBASE-PQRG-Un 25/10GBASE-PQRX-Dn 25/10GBASE-PQRX-Un | 25/10GBASE-PQG-Dn 25/10GBASE-PQG-Un 25110GBASE-PQX-Dn 25110GBASE-PQX-Un |
| 25G/25G | 25GBASE-PQ11G-Dn 25GBASE-PQ11G-Un 25GBASE-PQ11X-Dn 25GBASE-PQ11X-Un | 25GBASE-PQG-Dn <br> 25GBASE-PQG-Un <br> 25GBASE-PQX-Dn <br> 25GBASE-PQX-Un | 25GBASE-PQG-Dn 25GBASE-PQG-Un 25GBASE-PQX-Dn 25GBASE-PQX-Un |
| 50G/10G | 50/10GBASE-PQ21G-Dn 50/10GBASE-PQ21G-Un 50/10GBASE-PQ21X-Dn 50/10GBASE-PQ21X-Un | 50/10GBASE-PQRG-Dn 50/10GBASE-PQRG-Un 50/10GBASE-PQRX-Dn 50/10GBASE-PQRX-Un | 50/10GBASE-PQG-Dn 50/10GBASE-PQG-Un 50/10GBASE-PQX-Dn 50/10GBASE-PQX-Un |
| 50G/25G | 50/25GBASE-PQ21G-Dn 50/25GBASE-PQ21G-Un 50/25GBASE-PQ21X-Dn 50/25GBASE-PQ21X-Un | 50/25GBASE-PQG-Dn 50/25GBASE-PQG-Un 50/25GBASE-PQX-Dn 50/25GBASE-PQX-Un | 50/25GBASE-PQG-Dn 50/25GBASE-PQG-Un 50/25GBASE-PQX-Dn 50/25GBASE-PQX-Un |
| 50G/50G | 50GBASE-PQ22G-Dn 50GBASE-PQ22G-Un 50GBASE-PQ22X-Dn 50GBASE-PQ22X-Un | 50GBASE-PQG-Dn 50GBASE-PQG-Un 50GBASE-PQX-Dn 50GBASE-PQX-Un | 50GBASE-PQG-Dn 50GBASE-PQG-Un 50GBASE-PQX-Dn 50GBASE-PQX-Un |

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## Thank You

