

Nomenclature of 4X100 Gb/s optical PHY for lengths up to at least 6km

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Background

- At the Indianapolis meeting, the following motion is passed.

Motion #3:

Move to modify the objective “Define a four-wavelength 400 Gb/s PHY for operation over SMF with lengths up to at least 10 km” to be:

- Define a four-wavelength 400 Gb/s PHY for operation over SMF with lengths up to at least 6 km

And

- adopt the baseline proposal on pages 3-5 of lewis_3cu_02a_0919.pdf for this objective with the addition of an editor’s note indicating that the 400GBASE-LR4 naming is provisional

- Moved by: Dave Lewis
- Seconded by: Chris Cole
- Technical ($\geq 75\%$)
- Y: 44 N: 1 Abstain: 12

Motion Passes

- As the So-called 400GBASE-LR4 name is provisional, this contribution provide some information to support the discussion.

Revisit L Suffix in Ratified IEEE 802.3 Optical PHY

- L Suffix is first introduced in IEEE 802.3 on GigE with LX for 5km, then LX10 for 10km subsequently

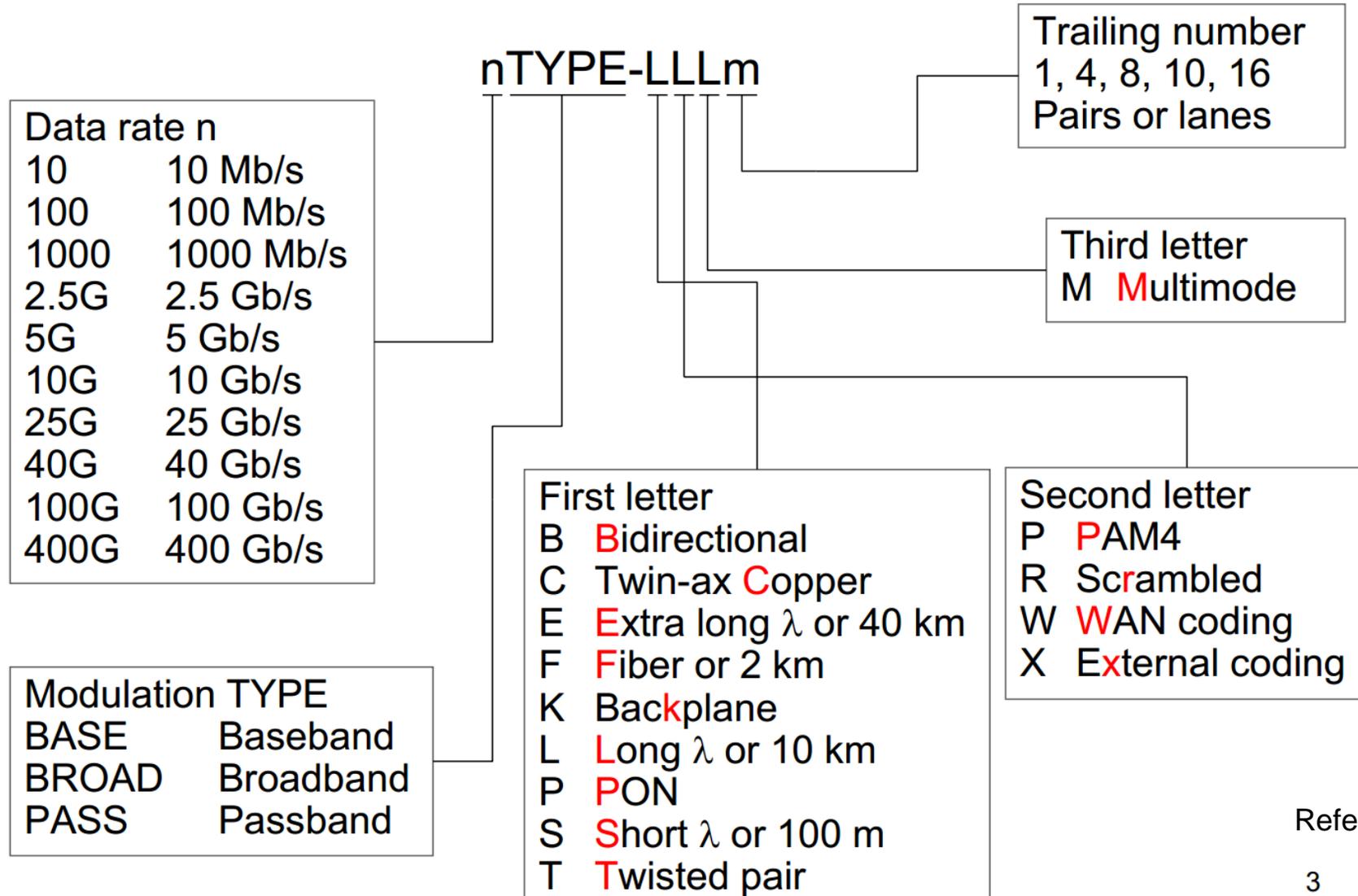
SA = Subscriber Access Networks BPE = Backplane Ethernet					
IEEE Std 802.3-2015 6 Books (Sections) 03-Sep-15/04-Mar-16*					
Section 1 Clause 1 to 20 Annex A to H, 4A	Section 2 Clause 21 to 33 Annex 22A to 33E	Section 3 Clause 34 to 43 Annex 36A to 43C	Section 4 Clause 44 to 55 Annex 44A to 55B	Section 5 Clause 56 to 77 Annex 57A to 76A	Section 6 Clause 78 to 95 Annex 83A to 93C
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Refer to: [0318_state_of_std](#)

- All of LR Suffix in current ratified and ongoing IEEE 802.3 standard is mostly with 10km reach

Latest Nomenclature Discussion from 802.3bs

- DR4 Suffix was first introduced for 500m SMF PMD for 400GbE



Refer to: [anslow_3bs_03_0715](#)

Feedback from End User after Indianapolis Meeting

□ **Gang Chen, Baidu**

For the naming of 400GE 6km reach specification, we hope it could follow the current nomenclature naming methodology, with the option to identify different reaches. This would help us to identify the type of standard and reach, so that we could have friendly deployment.

□ **Junjie Li, China Telecom**

We believe it is better to name 6km-reach and 10km-reach standard differently, to make them easily distinguishable for end users

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□ **Min Sun, Tencent**

It is meaningful to name each particular reach, especially for the benefit of different application scenarios for future high-speed (optical) modules. Following the current nomenclature style, we suggest to consider “400GBASE-HR4”, where H stands for 6 (Hexa)

□ **Weiqiang Cheng, China Mobile**

If the reach of the new standard is 6km, we suggest that the name of it should be different from “-LR4”

□ **Wenyu Zhao, CAICT**

The industry generally adopts LR for 10Km in recent 10 years, and using 400GBASE-LR4 for 6km will cause misunderstanding in industry activities.

It is suggested to use other symbols for 6km reach

Summary:

- Given new PMDs with different reach, wavelength, application field and other factors emerging right now, more comprehensive nomenclature would be necessary.
- It is IEEE 802.3cu group' responsibility to consider the name of 6km reach standard to help industry avoiding confusion
- Proposal from [cole_3cu_adhoc_102319](#) can be a good start

