

IEEE P802.3ba Objectives

- Support full-duplex operation only
- Preserve the 802.3 / Ethernet frame format utilizing the 802.3 MAC
- Preserve minimum and maximum FrameSize of current 802.3 standard
- Support a BER better than or equal to 10^{-12} at the MAC/PLS service interface
- Provide appropriate support for OTN
- Support a MAC data rate of 40 Gb/s
- Provide Physical Layer specifications which support 40 Gb/s operation over:
 - at least 10km on SMF
 - at least 100m on OM3 MMF
 - at least 10m over a copper cable assembly
 - at least 1m over a backplane
- Support a MAC data rate of 100 Gb/s
- Provide Physical Layer specifications which support 100 Gb/s operation over:
 - at least 40km on SMF
 - at least 10km on SMF
 - at least 100m on OM3 MMF
 - at least 10m over a copper cable assembly