

# Supporting 200G PMDs with Multiple AUIs and Concatenated FEC

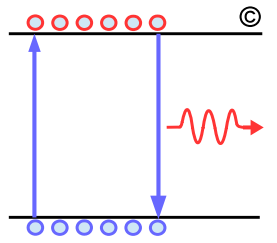
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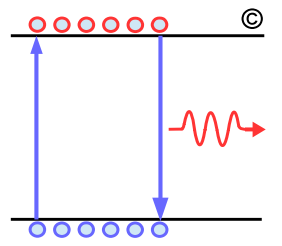
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# Overview



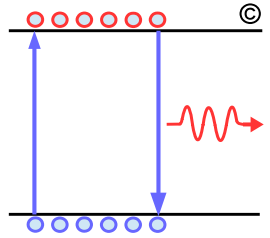
- AUI straw poll result
- PCB, package, cable losses
- Various AUI and PPI implementations
- 100G AUI budget
- 200G AUI budget
- Scaling BS FEC architecture to  $df/dj$  with SFEC
- Summary.



## Task Force Interest in Defining Multiple AUI Classes

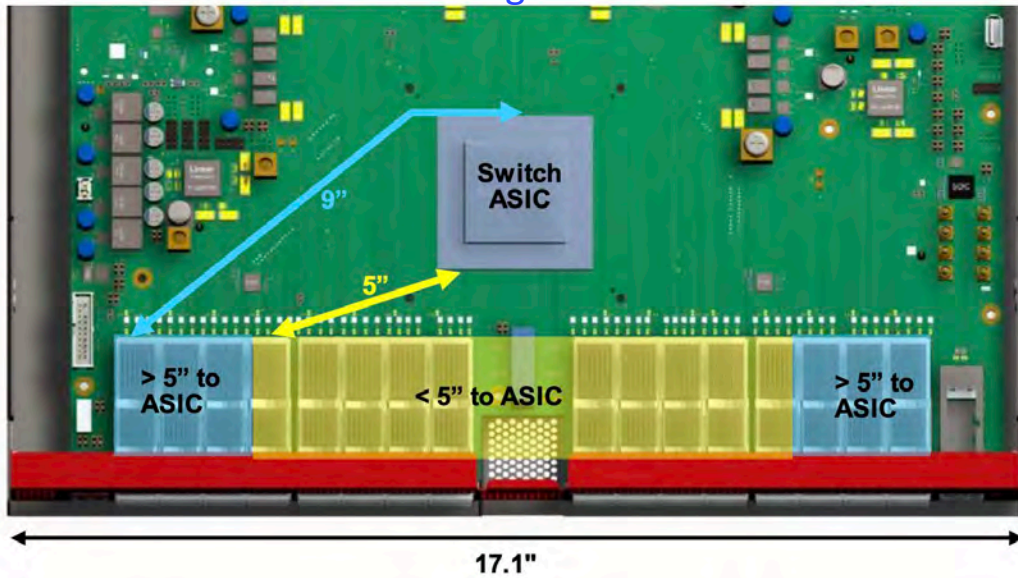
- ❑ **Straw Poll - For the front panel pluggable use case, I am interested in 200 Gbps/lane AUI C2M specifications for:**
  - A. medium loss only (e.g., up to ~22 dB IL die-die per lusted\_3df\_01\_220927)
  - B. higher loss only (e.g., up to ~36 dB IL die-die per lusted\_3df\_01\_220927)
  - C. both medium and higher loss
  - D. need more information
  - pick one
  - Results: A: 17, B: 11, C: 49, D: 12
- ❑ **Straw Poll - I'm interested in 200 Gbps/lane AUI C2M specifications for co-packaged or near-packaged use cases**
  - Y: 54 , N: 10 , A: 22
- ❑ **Next will explore bottom-up loss analysis of several AUI classes and if it would be feasible to operate these AUIs with end-end KP4 FEC + SFEC for the optics.**

# 1RU Switch Implementation

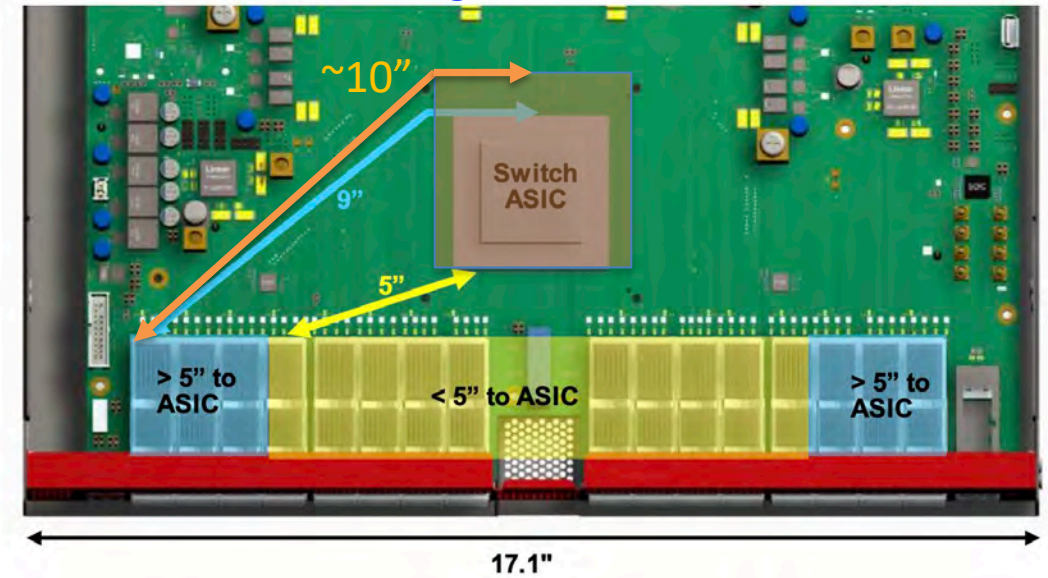


- ❑ To support convention PCB implementation in the 802.3ck CL120G was defined based on 11.9 dB or ~9" of PCB on Megtron 7 with 1.2 dB/in per recommendation [stone\\_3ck\\_01a\\_0518](#)
  - A 51.2T switch will have to use ~90x90 package vs stone assumed package of ~69x69
  - Considering larger package to connect balls on the N side require 10" instead of Stone assumed 9".

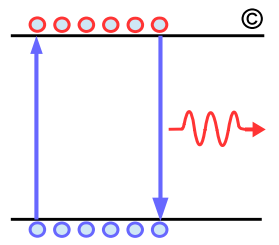
Stone Hypothetical 25.6T Switch  
Package ~69x69



Hypothetical 51.2T Switch  
Package ~90x90



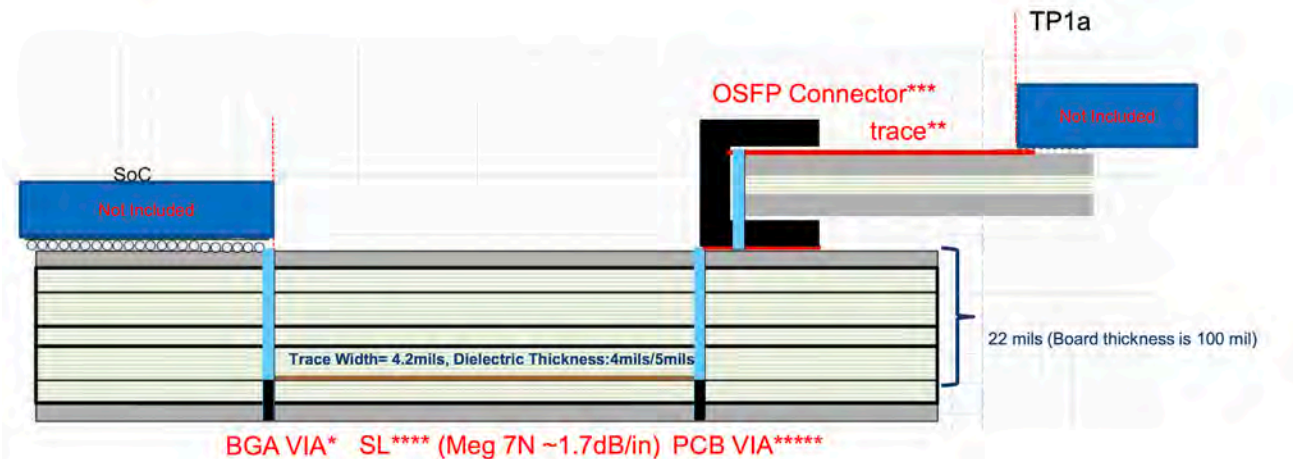
# NIC Channel Implementation



□ [akinwale\\_3df\\_01\\_20220502](#) (see figure) does not mention the length of NIC channel but is estimated to be ~5" @1.7 dB/in at 53 GHz

- Considering NICs are cost sensitive, and the loss is < AUI Type-II with cabled host the loss assumed is 1.8 dB/in with 15 dB from TP0-TP1a instead of assumed 13 dB by Akinwale
- Results generally failed 3 dB by over 1 dB for pre-FEC BER 1E-5
- At pre-FEC BER of 1E-4, 2 out of 8 channels failed 3 dB COM even NIC card my benefit operating at pre-FEC BER higher than 1E-5!

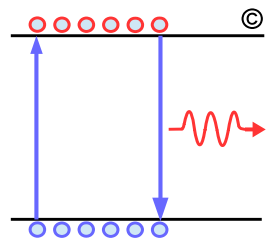
## Channel Description



\*BGA footprint included in the channel  
\*\*Module Loss is 3.5dB @ 53.125 GHz

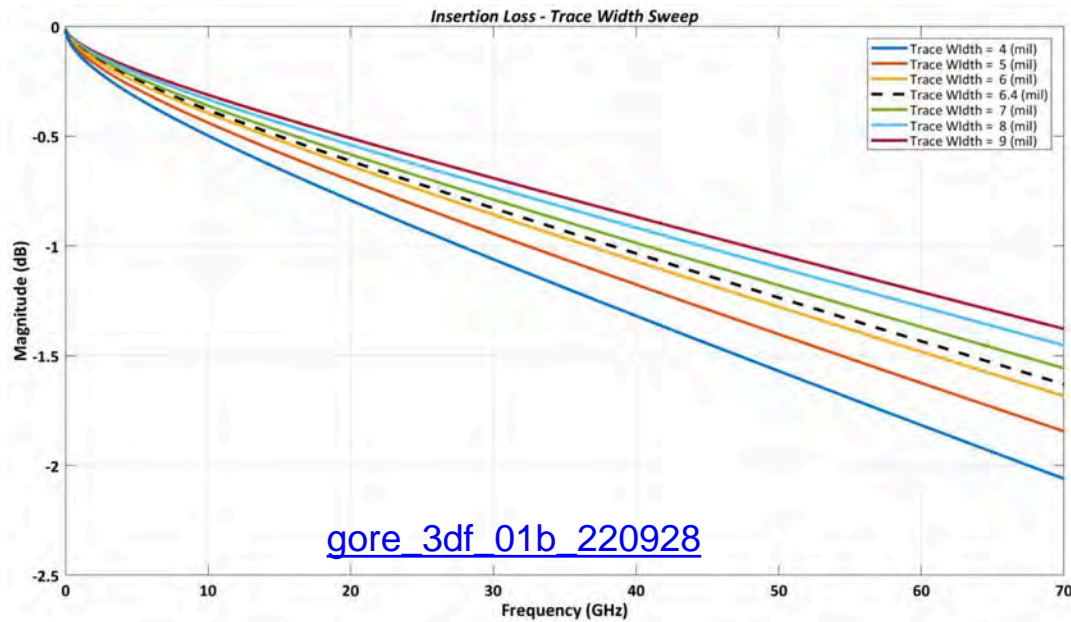
\*\*\*Connector loss is 2.2dB @53.125GHz  
\*\*\*\*PCB Loss is Max 7dB @53.125GHz (93 ohms)  
\*\*\*\*\*Vias are staggered microVia  
\*\*\*\*\*Assumed 1 FEXT and 2 NEXT aggressors

# PCB Loss at 53 GHz

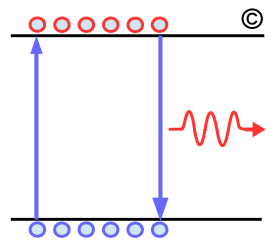


## Loss of advance next generation PCBs

- [gore 3df 01b 220928](#) measured result for 6 mils stripline on next Gen advance PCB material at 20 °C is 1.33 dB/in and the estimated loss at 70 °C expected to be ~1.6 dB/in
- [ghiasi 3df 01 220927](#) simulated 6 mils stripline on Rogers 3003G2 at 70 °C 1.67 dB
- [akinwale 3df 01 20220502](#) NIC loss for 4.6 mils wide trace is 1.7 dB/in or ~1.6 dB/in at room temperature based on Gore results, 1.8 dB/in will be assumed as worst-case loss for NIC



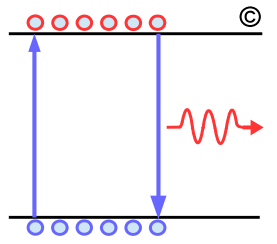
# Package Loss



## □ What should be our assumption regarding 200G high radix package loss?

- [mli 3df 01a 220316](#) proposes to use skip ABF layers to allow using wider traces to lower loss/mm to  $\sim 0.14$  dB/mm @53 GHz (loss include transition via/BGA)
- [benartsi 3df 01b 2207](#) uses best ABF conventional 27-45-27  $\mu\text{m}$  construction and reports trace loss of 0.31 dB/mm @53 GHz (loss include transition via/BGA)
  - Benartsi 0.31 dB/mm is too pessimistic and expected to be  $\sim 0.22$  dB/mm after accounting for improved surface roughness
- [ghiasi 3df 01 220927](#) states that with availability of thicker ABF film one may construct wider 38-52  $\mu\text{m}$  traces without needing to use skip layer but traces wider than 40  $\mu\text{m}$  are not suitable for high radix switches due to congestion
  - Next Gen ABF loss for geometry similar to Benartsi 27x15  $\mu\text{m}$  at 90 °C expected loss is 0.225 dB/mm
  - Next Gen ABF loss for 38x15  $\mu\text{m}$  at 90 °C expected loss is 0.189 dB/mm
  - If one uses next Gen ABF with tall geometry 38x30  $\mu\text{m}$  at 90 °C expected loss is 0.155 dB/mm but this design has its own challenges
- Considering these data, the recommended loss for 200G package is 0.18 dB/mm
  - The 0.18 dB/mm loss is very aggressive and does require next Gen ABF film and construction!

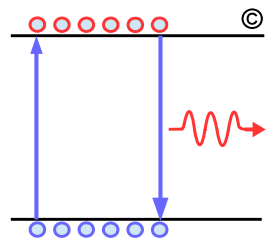
# Other Key Loss Components of the Channel



- ❑ Cabled host loss is  $\sim 0.35$  dB/in @ 53 GHz
  - [kocsis b400g 01a 210826](#)
- ❑ Host via loss is  $\sim 1.25$  dB @53 GHz
  - [rabinovich 3df elec 01b 220921](#)
- ❑ OSFP connector loss is  $\sim 1.6$  dB @53 GHz
  - [rabinovich 3df elec 01b 220921](#)
- ❑ Socket loss is  $\sim 0.2$  dB @53 GHz.

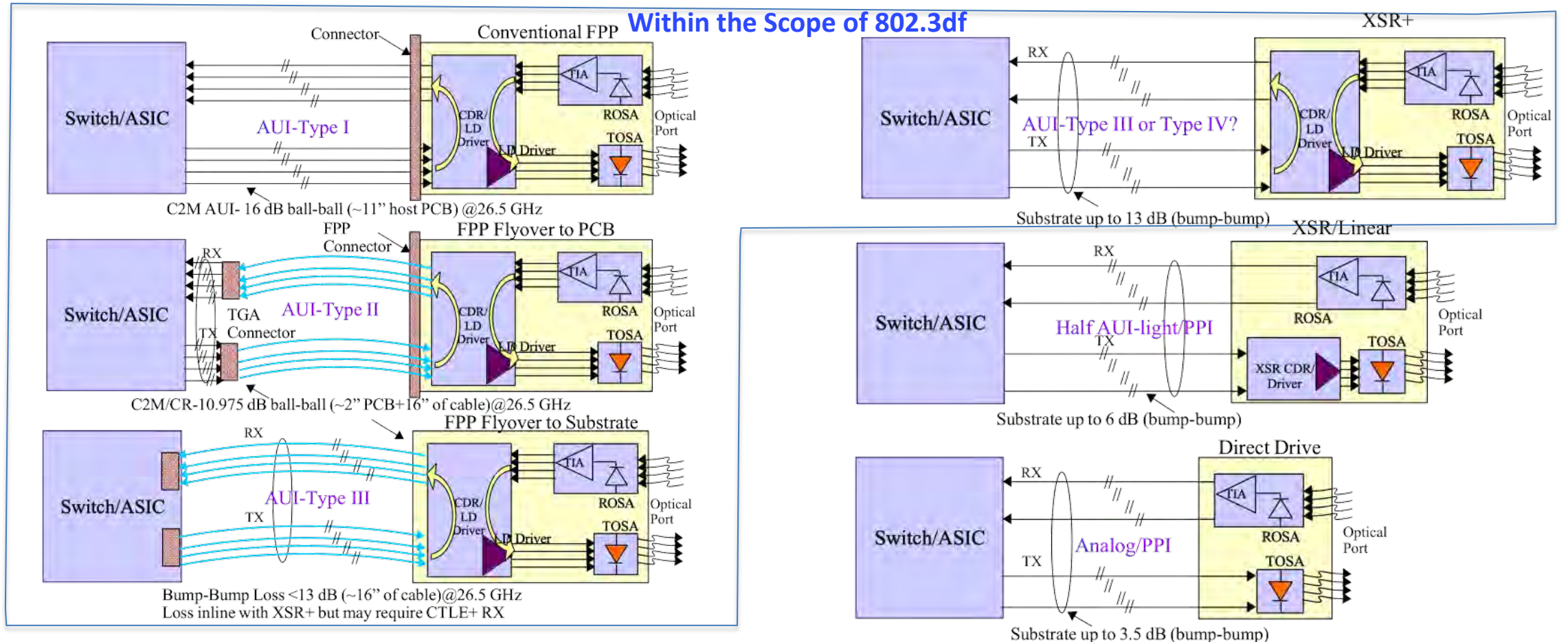


# AUI and PPI Interfaces

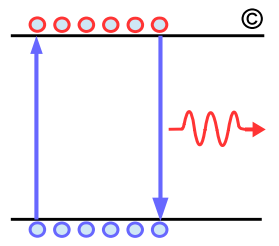


❑ XSR/Direct drive generally require optics engine to be bumped and the interface is an engineered analog drive – not an AUI interface

– Within the scope of 802.3df we have potentially up to 4 AUI classes and as few as 2 classes!



# 100G C2M/XSR+ Ecosystem



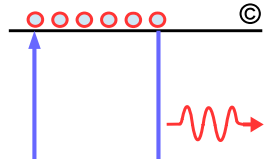
□ Following interfaces have been defined based on 100 Gb/s PAM4 in the OIF and IEEE:

- OIF 112G-VSR/802.3ck CL120G addressing C2M with 16 dB loss
- 802.3ck CL162 defines CR/C2M with 10.975 dB host loss to support 2 m of passive Cu cable
- OIF 112G-XSR+ defines NPO/CPC (co-packaged Cu) on HDI board with bump-bump loss of 13 dB.

53 GBd (26.55 GHz) AUIs	VSR/C2M	CR/C2M	XSR+
TPO-TP1a Loss (dB)*	16	10.975	~7
PCB/Substrate Loss (dB)	11.9	6.875	~7*
Bump-TP1a Loss (dB)	20	14.975	~11**
Bump-Bump Loss (dB)	~22	~16.975**	13
Loss Adv PCB(C2M) or HDI(NPO) dB/in	~1.1	~1.1	~1.8
PCB/HDI Length Supported (in)	~10.8	~6.25	~3.8

\*Assume 1<sup>st</sup> level package loss 4 dB. \*\* PMA package loss assumed 2 dB.

# Potential 200G AUIs Ecosystem



## Starting point for 200G AUIs/C2Ms:

- AUI Type I supporting 10" conventional PCB
  - TPO-TP1a loss increased from 16 dB@100G to 23.5 dB
  - Bump-bump loss ~34 dB
- AUI Type II cabled host
  - TPO-TP1a loss 14 dB
  - Bump-bump loss ~24.5 dB
- AUI conventional NIC supporting 5" PCB
  - TPO-TP1a loss 15 dB
  - Bump-bump loss ~19.5 dB
- AUI Type III cabled substrate (CPC)
  - TPO-TP1a loss ~13 dB
  - Bump-bump loss ~22 dB
- AUI Type V NPO
  - Bump-TP1a loss ~13 dB
  - Bump-bump loss ~20 dB.

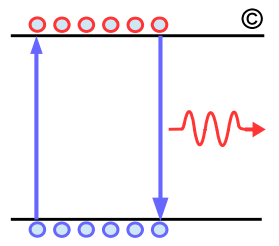
Loss Parameters @ 53 GHz A. Ghiasi - Rev 1.0 10/30/2022	Loss	Length or #	AUI Type I Conventional PCB	AUI Type II Cabled Host	AUI NIC Conventional PCB	AUI Type III Cabled Substrate	XSR+ NPO					
Host PCB Loss (dB/in)	1.65	10	16.5	NA	NA	NA	NA					
NIC PCB Loss (dB/in)	1.8	5	NA	NA	9	NA	NA					
Cabled Host PCB Loss (dB/in)	1.65	2	NA	3.3	NA	NA	NA					
Cable Loss (dB/in)	0.35	10	NA	3.5	NA	3.5	NA					
Plug Board/PIC Loss (dB/in)	1.65	1.7	2.805	2.805	2.805	2.805	2.805					
AUI Connector Loss (dB)	1.65	1	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	NA					
Host Via Loss (dB)	1.25	2	2.5	2.5	NA	NA	NA					
NIC Via Loss (dB)	0.75	2	NA	NA	1.5	NA	NA					
Host Package Loss (dB/mm)	0.18	40										
NIC Package Loss (dB/mm)	0.225	16										
CDR Package Loss (dB/mm)	0.18	10										
Host/NIC Package Loss (dB) + 1dB	1	NA	8.2	8.2	4.6	8.2	8.2					
CDR Package Loss (dB) + 0.4 dB	0.4	NA	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	NA					
TGA Connector Loss (dB)	0.3	NA	NA	0.3	NA	NA	NA					
Socket Loss (dB)	0.2	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.2	0.2					
NPO Substrate Loss (dB/mm)	0.095	50										
NPO Substrate Loss (dB)	4.75	NA						NA	NA	NA	4.75	4.75
TPO-TP1a Loss (dB)	NA	NA						23.455	14.055	14.955	12.905	4.95
Bump-TP1a (dB)	NA	NA	31.655	22.255	19.555	21.105	13.15					
Bump-Bump Loss (dB)	NA	NA	33.855	24.455	21.755	23.305	15.955					

High Loss AUI  
FEC@5E-4, 1E-4?

Mid-Loss AUI  
FEC@5E-4, 1E-4?

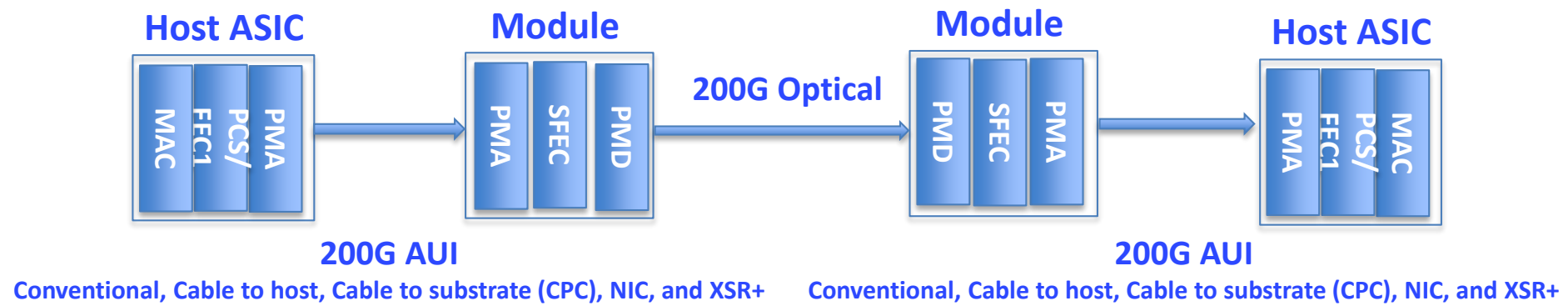
XSR+  
FEC@1E-5

# 802.3bs FEC Architecture Can be the Template for 802.3df

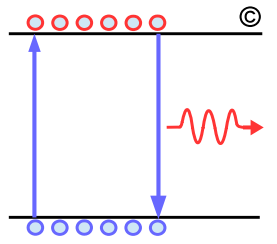


□ It is unlikely that 802.3df task force will be able to follow 802.3bs by allocating only 0.1 dBo and support 4 AUI sub-links

- For the above to be true the AUIs must operate at pre-FEC BER of  $1E-5$
- Based on current C2M package/channel model operating AUIs at  $1E-5$  is extremely challenging
  - Only for CPC and NPO one may assume pre-FEC BER  $\leq 1E-5$  can be archived
- SFEC need to be evaluated in the context of potentially allocating larger portion of FEC gain 0.3-0.8 dB to the AUIs!

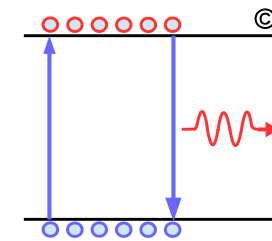


# Implication of 200G AUI on Optics SFEC



- ❑ **With more realistic Liav package model and/or 40 mm package trace on next Gen ABF film/construction the 200G large ASIC package loss will be ~ 8dB**
- ❑ **The conventional AUI Type I based on PCB the bump-bump loss is least 34 dB**
  - This implementation due to high loss expected to require  $5e-5$  to  $1E-4$  pre-FEC BER
- ❑ **Medium loss AUI Type II, III, and NIC with bump-to-bump loss of  $\leq 25$  dB**
  - AUI-II with cabled host due to cascaded reflections between cable TGA connector-BGA-die some early data indicate is as challenging as high loss 34 dB channel and will benefit from operating with  $5e-5$  to  $1E-4$  pre-FEC BER
  - AUI-III cable to substrate expect to operate at  $1E-5$  pre-FEC BER
  - AUI-NIC as shown in [akinwale\\_3df\\_01\\_20220502](#) also benefit from operating with  $5e-5$  to  $1E-4$  pre-FEC BER
- ❑ **Near Package Optics (NPO) with 16 dB bump-bump loss**
  - Expect to operate at  $1E-5$  pre-FEC BER
- ❑ **Unless SFEC can support pre-FEC BER of  $5E-5$  to  $1E-4$  then high loss AUI and the most common medium loss AUIs will be forced into segmented RS FECs + RS FEC/SFEC**
  - [CMIS-LT](#) could be used to train the link then selectively turn segmented RS FEC on/off based on pre-FEC BER considering both high loss and some of the medium loss AUI may require selective FEC termination at  $1E-5$ .

# Summary



- ❑ **200G AUI classes can be categorized into the following types**
  - High loss with at least 34 dB bump-bump AUI based on conventional PCB
  - Medium loss AUI with up to 25 dB bump-bump loss addressing cabled host, CPC, and NIC
  - Near package optics NPO AUI with ~16 dB FEC
- ❑ **Early indications are that high loss AUI and medium loss cabled/NIC AUIs all will require operating at pre-FEC BER 1E-4 to 5E-5**
  - This implies one must allocate  $\gg 0.1$  dBo that was allocated in 802.3bs to support 4 AUI sub-links
- ❑ **Early indications are that only CPC and NPO may operate at pre-FEC BER of 1E-5**
- ❑ **With optics and Cu/AUIs soon to be all part of the same 802.3dj task force**
  - We can't choose an SFEC that only works with 100G-AUI and the 200G-AUI end up requiring segmented RS FEC termination
  - This is the worst combination in regard to latency and power
- ❑ **Concatenated SFEC [bliss 3df 01 220929](#) and [patra 3df 01 220518](#) providing 2+ dB NCG are attractive for the optics but require further study if it can support pre-FEC BER of 1E-4 to 5E-5 on AUI sub-links with error burst!**