

# **DR / DR-x MDI: Support for Breakout (Comments #341 and #342)**

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# Introduction

- The following presentation addresses the following comments
  - **Comment #341** (SC 180.8.3.1) - Any DR MDI is also capable of supporting any lower lane count DR interfaces than what it is specified for as applicable, as well as combinations. Clause 180.8.3.1.1 starts off specifying 400GBASE-DR2 with twelve total positions. It could support multiple ports of 200GBASE-DR1, or could support a combination of a single 400GBASE-DR2 with two ports of 200GBASE-DR1.
  - **Comment #342** (SC 182.8.3.1~~≠~~) - Any DRx-2 MDI is also capable of supporting any lower lane count DRx-2 interfaces than what it is specified for as applicable, as well as combinations. Clause 182.8.3.1.1 starts off specifying 400GBASE-DR2-2 with twelve total positions. It could support multiple ports of 200GBASE-DR1-2, or could support a combination of a single 400GBASE-DR2-2 with two ports of 200GBASE-DR1-2.
- “Breakout” scenarios can be supported – why wouldn’t we?
  - Annex 162C addresses MDIs for 100GBASE-CR1, 200GBASE-CR2, and 400GBASE-CR4, and 800GBASE-CR8
  - Annex 179C addresses MDIs for 200GBASE-CR1, 400GBASE-CR2, 800GBASE-CR4, and 1.6TBASE-CR8
  - QSFP-DD maps electrical signal to optical port mapping (Per Rev 7.0 - QSFP112 specifications removed from QSFP-DD and forwarded to SNIA.)
  - OIF CMIS - The CMIS specification also explicitly defines the mapping of groups of electrical lanes to particular fibers, though it does not specifically identify lanes numbers within a group.
  - **See section 6.2.1.3.** <https://www.oiforum.com/wp-content/uploads/OIF-CMIS-05.2.pdf>
- This presentation will initiate discussion on how DRx / DRx-2 MDI’s could be specified to address break-out.

# Background (Comment #341)

- **Mapping DR2 and DR4 MDI lane assignments to the same connector**
- **For both assignments**
  - **Only single port of target PHY defined**
  - **Lower lane count PHYs could be supported**
- **Multiple PHY types could be mapped to the same connector in different configurations**

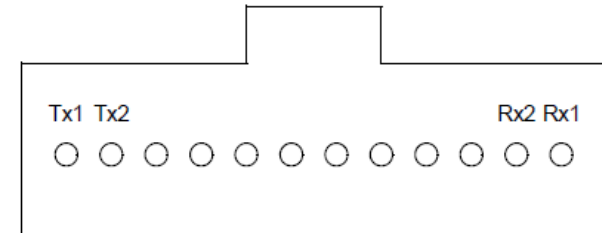


Figure 180-7—400GBASE-DR2 optical lane assignments

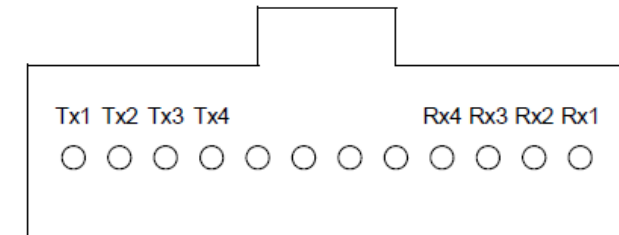


Figure 180-8—800GBASE-DR4 optical lane assignments

# Background (Comment #341) - continued

- **Only single port of target PMD implemented**
- **Multiple PHY types could be mapped to the same connector in different configurations**

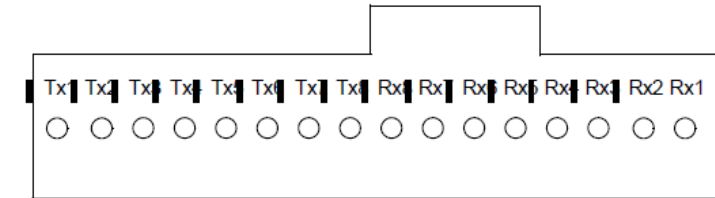


Figure 180-9—1.6TBASE-DR8 optical lane assignments

# Background (Comment #342)

- **Mapping DR2-2 and DR4-2 MDI lane assignments to the same connector**
- **For both assignments**
  - **Only single port of target PHY defined**
  - **Lower lane count PHYs could be supported**
- **Multiple PHY types could be mapped to the same connector in different configurations**

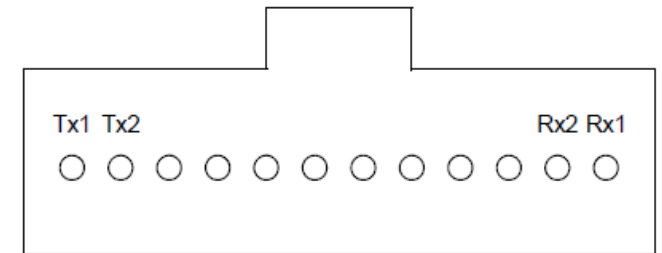


Figure 182-7—400GBASE-DR2-2 optical lane assignments

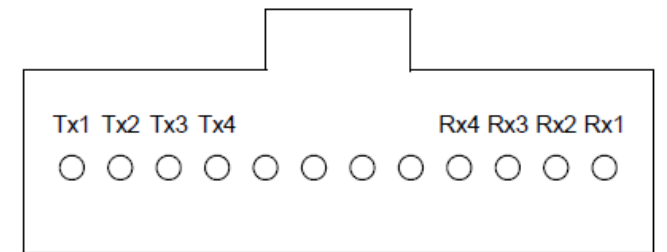


Figure 182-8—800GBASE-DR4-2 optical lane assignments

# Background (Comment #342) - continued

- **Only single port of target PMD implemented**
- **Multiple PHY types could be mapped to the same connector in different configurations**
- **Note – Caption to Fig 182-9 is incorrect – it should be 1.6TBASE-DR8-2**

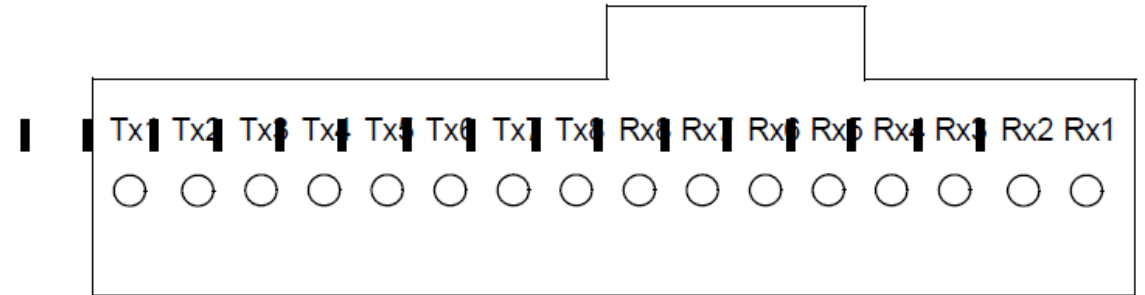


Figure 182-9—1.6TBASE-DR8 optical lane assignments

# Going Forward

- **Any connector could support**
  - **A single PHY MDI**
  - **Multiple PHY types and configurations**
- **To gauge interest, we will focus on the single row 16-fibre interface**

# IEEE 802.3 - CR – 1:1 mapping logical PMD/MDI lanes to connector contacts

Similar to IEEE P802.3dj, Tables 179C-2 / 179C-4

Source: IEEE Std 802.3ck-2022

Table 162C-2—PMD to connector signal assignments

PMD signal <PMD number>:<PMD signal>				Connector signal
100GBASE-CR1	200GBASE-CR2	400GBASE-CR4	800GBASE-CR8	
0:DL0n	0:DL0n	0:DL0n	0:DL0n	DL0n
0:DL0p	0:DL0p	0:DL0p	0:DL0p	DL0p
1:DL0n	0:DL1n	0:DL1n	0:DL1n	DL1n
1:DL0p	0:DL1p	0:DL1p	0:DL1p	DL1p
2:DL0n	1:DL0n	0:DL2n	0:DL2n	DL2n
2:DL0p	1:DL0p	0:DL2p	0:DL2p	DL2p
3:DL0n	1:DL1n	0:DL3n	0:DL3n	DL3n
3:DL0p	1:DL1p	0:DL3p	0:DL3p	DL3p
4:DL0n	2:DL0n	1:DL0n	0:DL4n	DL4n
4:DL0p	2:DL0p	1:DL0p	0:DL4p	DL4p
5:DL0n	2:DL1n	1:DL1n	0:DL5n	DL5n
5:DL0p	2:DL1p	1:DL1p	0:DL5p	DL5p
6:DL0n	3:DL0n	1:DL2n	0:DL6n	DL6n
6:DL0p	3:DL0p	1:DL2p	0:DL6p	DL6p
7:DL0n	3:DL1n	1:DL3n	0:DL7n	DL7n
7:DL0p	3:DL1p	1:DL3p	0:DL7p	DL7p
0:SL0n	0:SL0n	0:SL0n	0:SL0n	SL0n
0:SL0p	0:SL0p	0:SL0p	0:SL0p	SL0p
1:ST 0n	0:ST 1n	0:ST 1n	0:ST 1n	ST 1n

Mapping of logical PMD lanes to physical connector lanes is explicitly defined for non-breakout and breakout cases. Therefore, for each Ethernet group, lane 0 is explicit.

Table 162C-4—MDI connector contact mapping for QSFP112 and QSFP-DD800

QSFP112	QSFP-DD800	Connector signal name	Description
1	1	GND	Ground
2	2	SL1n	Transmitter inverted data input
3	3	SL1p	Transmitter non-inverted data input
4	4	GND	Ground
5	5	SL3n	Transmitter inverted data input
6	6	SL3p	Transmitter non-inverted data input
7	7	GND	Ground
13	13	GND	Ground
14	14	DL2p	Receiver non-inverted data output
15	15	DL2n	Receiver inverted data output
16	16	GND	Ground
17	17	DL0p	Receiver non-inverted data output
18	18	DL0n	Receiver inverted data output
19	19	GND	Ground
20	20	GND	Ground
21	21	DL1n	Receiver inverted data output
22	22	DL1p	Receiver non-inverted data output



# QSFP-DD Mapping

- **Source:**
- **“QSFP-DD/QSFP-DD800/QSFP112 Hardware Specification for QSFP DOUBLE DENSITY 8X AND QSFP 4X PLUGGABLE TRANSCEIVERS”, Revision 6.01, May 28, 2021**
  - <http://www.qsfp-dd.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/QSFP-DD-Hardware-Rev6.3-final.pdf>
  - See Clause 6.1 Electrical data input/output to optical port mapping
  - See Table 24
  - Per Rev 7.0 - QSFP112 specifications removed from QSFP-DD and forwarded to SNIA.
- **Module mapping from electrical input to optical fibers is explicit.**
- **However, the grouping of electrical inputs into Ethernet groups is not defined. But it does specify how groups of electrical lanes are mapped to a single fiber (e.g., for electrical or wavelength multiplexing).**
- **It is therefore not clear which groups of TX outputs would be mapped to a single Ethernet rate, nor which we might deem to be “lane 0”.**
- **Nor is it defined whether like ports will be connected at each end of the fibers.**

# Moving Forward

- **Single PHY MDIs can remain as is, however...**
- **Technology reuse key aspect of IEEE P802.3dj project.**
- **To address a connector supporting multiple PHY types and configurations**
  - **Same approach as what is done for CR (100G to 800G, 200G to 1.6T) PHYs can be re-used to address a single-row 16-fiber interface for appropriate PHYs ( 1) DR1, DR2, DR4, DR8; and 2) DR1-2, DR2-2, DR4-2, DR8-2)**
  - **Same basic approach can also be applied to a single-row twelve-fiber interface for appropriate PHYs ( 1) DR1, DR2, DR4; and 2) DR1-2, DR2-2, DR4-2)**
- **If there is interest then a more detailed proposal will be brought forward for consideration at the Sept Interim**