

Single Pair Ethernet (SPE)

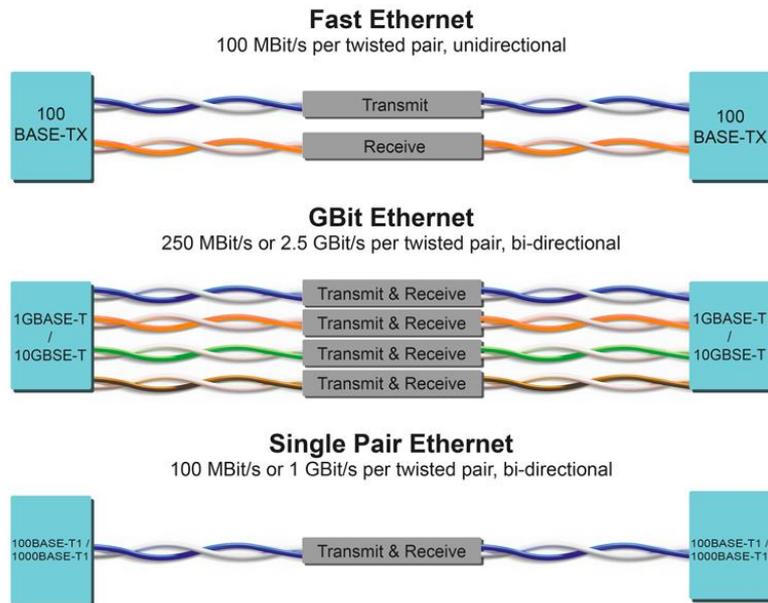


SPE overview

Background and key
characteristics

Introduction to Single Pair Ethernet (SPE)

- Ethernet is one of the most widely used networking standards, defined by the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet working group
- Extensively developed to provide higher bandwidth over short distances in a 4-pair cable
- IoT applications in process, factory and building automation demand simpler Ethernet networking and require lower data rates
- SPE is a new IEEE 802.3 standard enabling Ethernet connectivity and integrated power over a single twisted pair, over long distances
- **Key features of SPE:**
 - simplified Ethernet connectivity from 10Mbps to 1Gbps
 - 10Mbps data rate over 1000m distance
 - lower cost, smaller, more robust cabling and connectors
 - power over Data Lines (PoDL) or hybrid power/data
 - point to point / multidrop configurations



The need for SPE in Industrial IoT applications

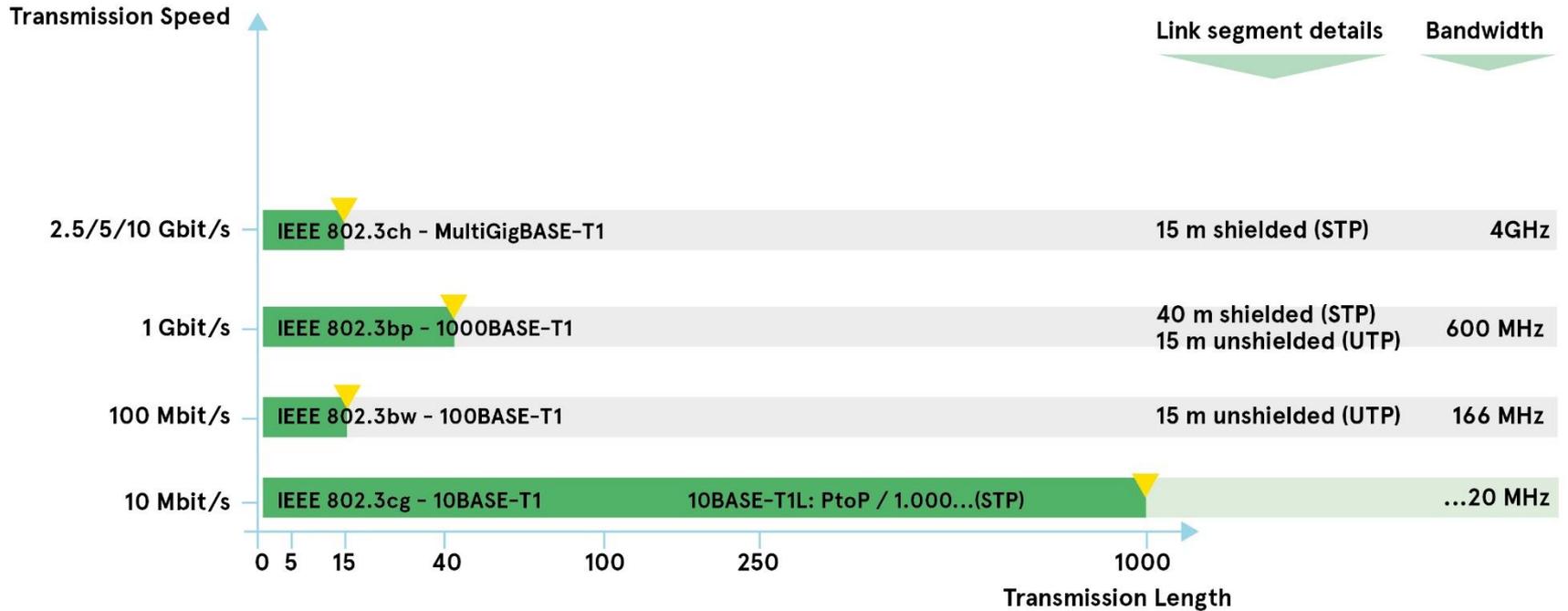
- Ethernet is widely used in industrial and building automation environments, but is not widely deployed to edge devices
- Legacy fieldbus systems are typically preferred to connect edge devices due to their simpler, lower cost implementations
- SPE reduces the cost & complexity of connecting edge devices, enabling the advantages of Ethernet connectivity to edge sensors and actuators
- SPE enables a simpler network, removing the requirement for gateways and translators between the industrial network and its edge devices
- SPE connectors and cables are lightweight, robust and smaller size than traditional Ethernet options



SPE standards

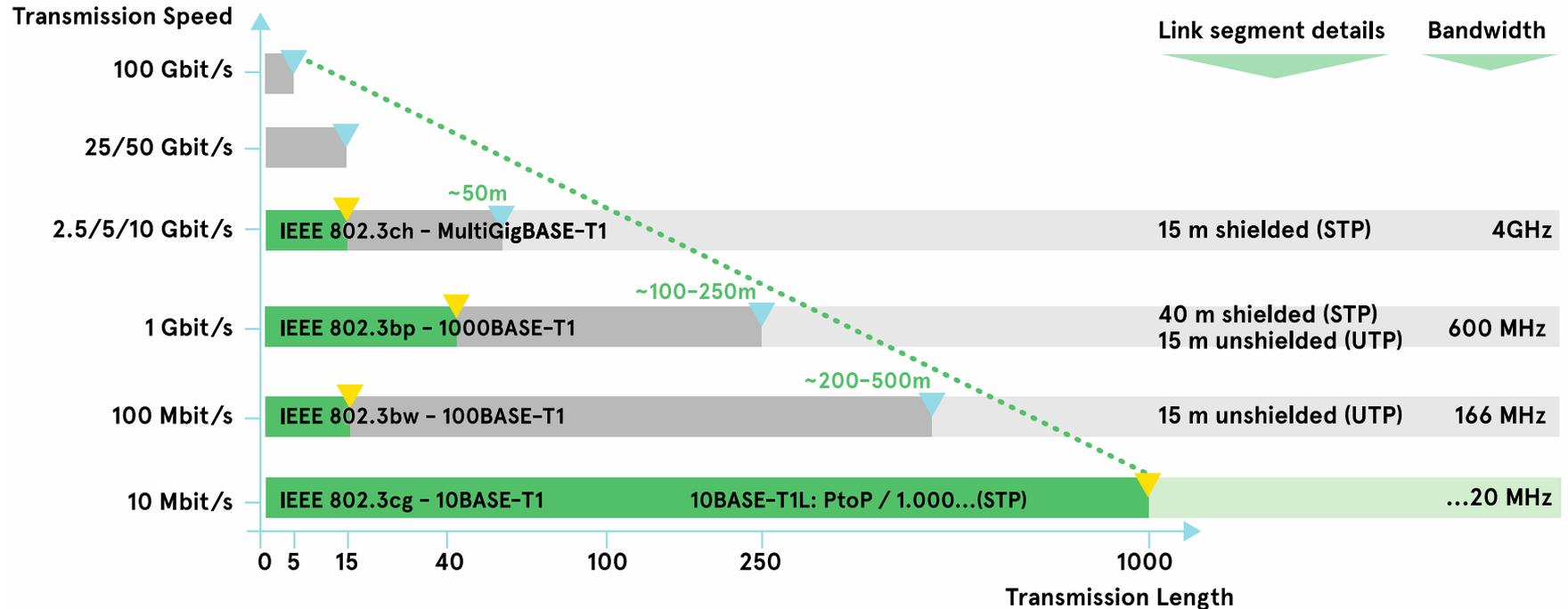
Specifications, roadmap & SPE
Industrial Partner Network

Current IEEE 802.3 Standards for SPE



10Mbps data rates over 1000m distances enable wide IIoT device deployment

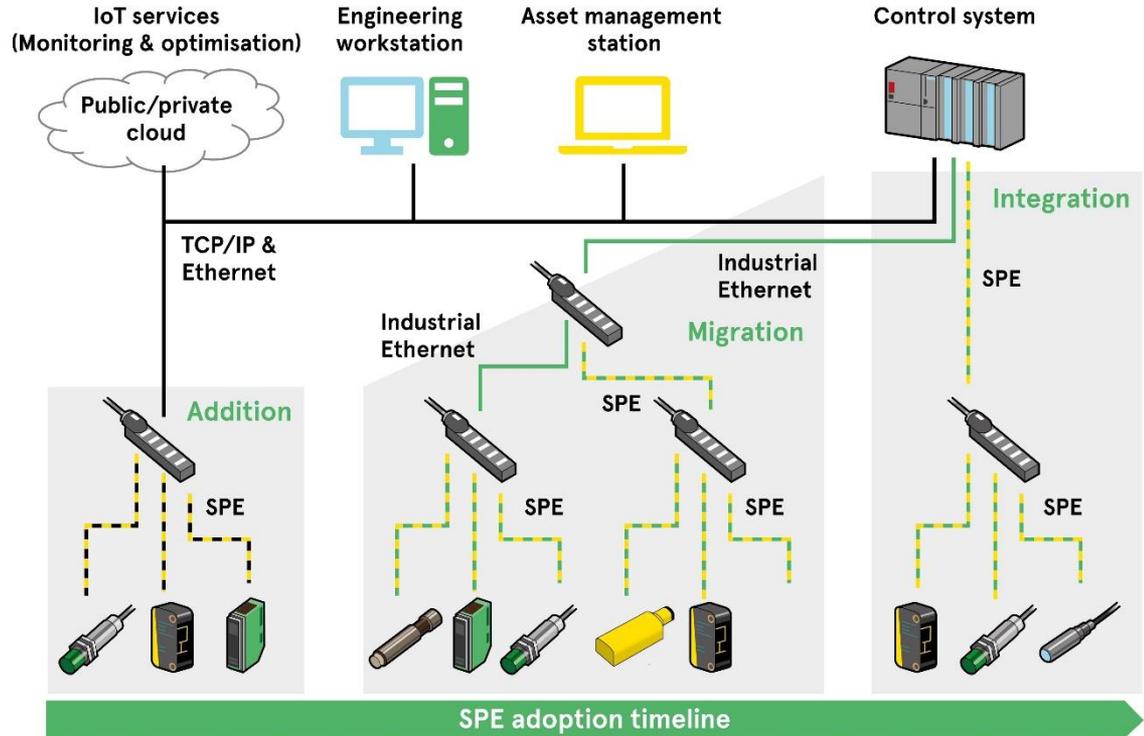
Future IEEE 802.3 standards for SPE



Future developments will enable increased speeds and cable lengths over a single twisted pair

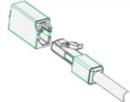
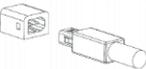
Adoption timeline of SPE

- Early adoption cases include the addition of new sensor and actuator nodes and the migration of legacy fieldbus networks to SPE
- An Ethernet based standard removes the requirement for gateways between nodes and the TCP/IP network
- Provision of power over SPE cabling enables wide deployment of new nodes
- Higher data rates will accelerate deployment of SPE in preference to and alongside other industrial Ethernet options



SPE Connector Standards

- For all industrial use cases the IEC 63171-6 connector must be used for the cabling infrastructure according to ISO/IEC 11801-3 and TIA 42
- The standard specifies SPE interfaces from an IP20 interface up to several IP65/67 M8 and M12 versions

IEC 63171	Connectors for electrical and electronic equipment – shielded or unshielded free and fixed connectors for balanced single-pair data transmission with current carrying capacity: General requirements and tests Note: Up to 2500MHz (ffs), current carrying cap classes I (2A at 60°C) / II (4A at 60°C)	48B/2776/CDV 2020-01-17
-1	Part 1: Detail specification for 2-way, shielded or unshielded, free and fixed connectors: mechanical mating information, pin assignment and additional requirements for type 1 / Copper LC Style Note: Up to 600MHz, up to 1,4A at 60°C	 Published 2020-04-14
-2	Part 2: Detail specification for 2-way, shielded or unshielded, free and fixed connectors: mechanical mating information, pin assignment and additional requirements for type 2 Note: Up to 600MHz ffs, class II current carrying capability	 48B/2786/CDV
-4	Part 4: Detail specification for 2-way, shielded or unshielded, free and fixed connectors: mechanical mating information, pin assignment and additional requirements for type 4 Note: Up to 3000MHz ffs, current carrying cap class II	 48B/2724/CD 48B/2795/CC
-5	Part 5: Detail specification for circular connectors with up to 8 ways, shielded or unshielded, free and fixed connectors: mechanical mating information, pin assignment and additional requirements for type 5 Note: Up to 600MHz ffs, current carrying cap class II	 48B/2733/CD 48B/2805/CC
-6	Part 1: Detail specification for 2-way and 4-way (data/power), shielded, free and fixed connectors for transmission capability and power supply capability with frequencies up to 600MHz Note: Up to 4A / 8A at 60°C	 Published 2020-01-20

SPE Industrial Partner Network

- Committed to enabling the deployment of SPE
- Provides the technologies, standardisation and guidance for the development of Industrial IoT applications
- Supports the development of the T1 Industrial interface according to IEC 63171-6

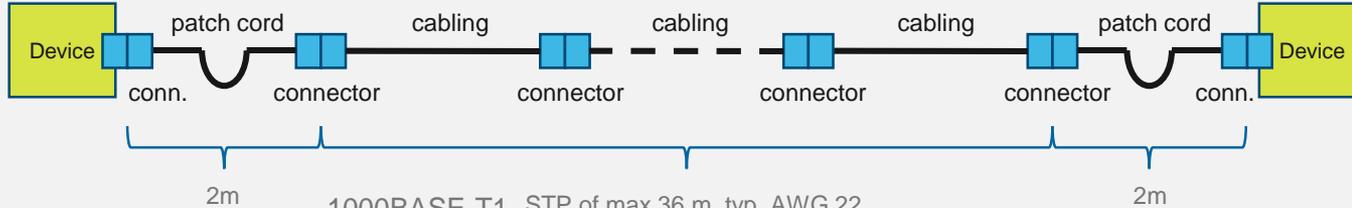
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SPE networking

Point to Point, Multidrop, PoDL
and hybrid data/power

Industrial SPE Network Options

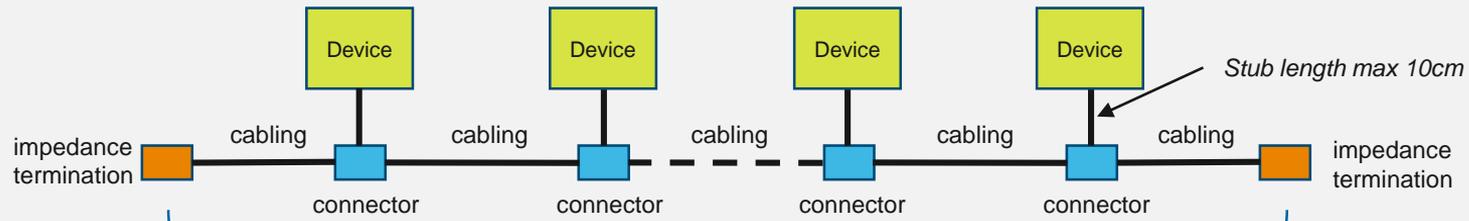
Point-to-point



1000BASE-T1 STP of max 36 m, typ. AWG 22
Up to 4 in-line connectors and 2 device connectors

10BASE-T1L STP of max 996 m, typ. AWG 18
Up to 10 in-line connectors and 2 device connectors

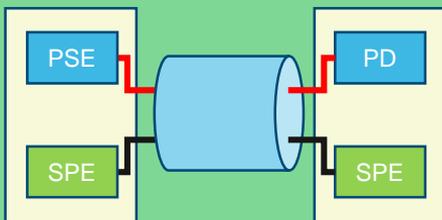
Multidrop



10BASE-T1S Unshielded wire of max 25 m
Up to (>)8 in-line connectors/devices

SPE Architectures

Point-to-point



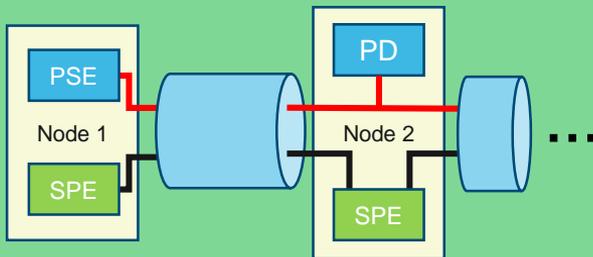
Power

One PD powered by one PSE (PoDL)

Data

Point-to-point

Line topology (daisy-chaining)



Power

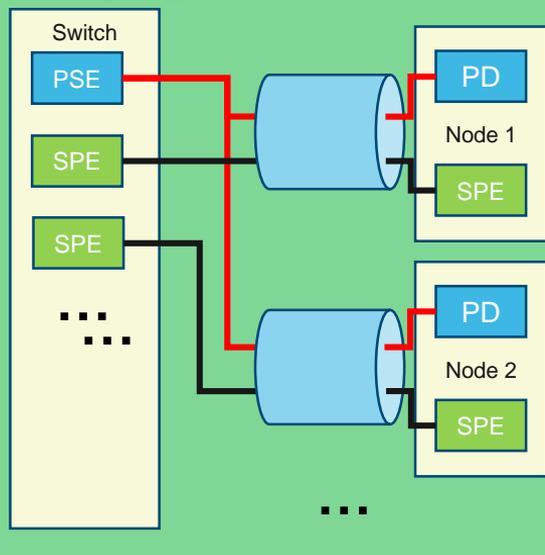
Cascaded PDs powered by one PSE

Data

Multiple SPE nodes in series either through

1. Integrated switches per node
2. Multidrop

Star topology (distribution)



Power

- Downstream PDs powered by switch

Data

- Downstream SPE nodes connected to switch / multiple PHYs

Legend



Power Source Equipment



Powered device



Single Pair Ethernet PHY



Single Pair Ethernet

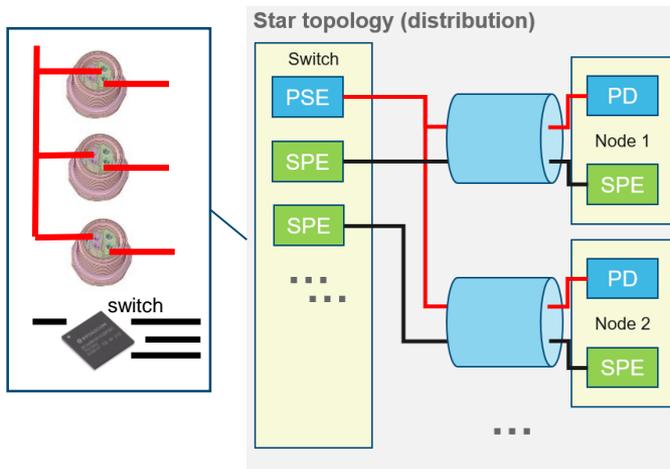
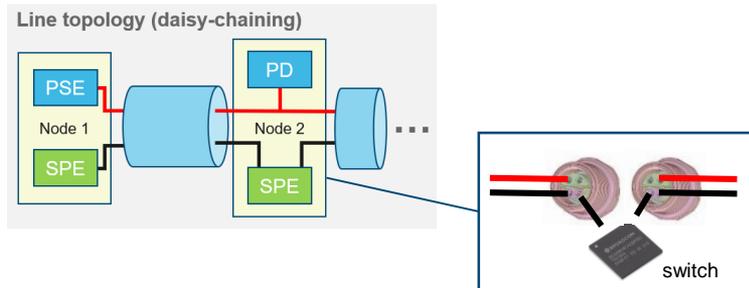
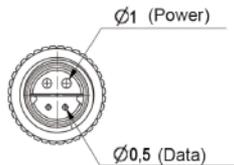


Power line

IP65/67 M8 Hybrid (4-Pin Data/Power) Connector



- Standardized in IEC 63171-6
- Enables powering of cascaded devices
- Provides up to 8A (power pins)
- Hybrid cable AWG18/AWG22 (power/data)



PoDL vs. separate Power

PoDL

- + Lower cable weight
- + Smaller and cost-effective cable

- Point-to-point only
- Low noise limits for power signal
- Special circuitry required

Separate Power

- + Higher currents / power
- + Support of multiple topologies

- Higher cable weight
- Cable costs

SPE Solutions

IEC 63171-6 connectors and
cables

TE Connectivity SPE IP65/67 M8 Hybrid T1 Roadmap

Connectors

Female Vertical



Female Right-Angle



FI Male Plug, Straight



T-Splitter, Multidrop



Male Vertical



Male Right-Angle



FI Female Socket, Straight



Cable Plug, Male Straight



Cable Assembly, Male-to-Female Straight



Cable Assemblies, Various Configuration



Cable Socket, Female Straight



Static Cables, High-Flex, Drag-Chain Cable Options

TE Connectivity SPE T1 IP20 Roadmap



Female Right-Angle



Female Vertical



FI Male Plug, Straight



FI Female Socket, Straight



Connectors

Cable Plug, Male
Straight



Cable Plug, Male
& Female Angled



Cable Socket, Female
Straight



Cable Assembly,
Male-to-Male Straight &
Male-to-Female Straight



Cable Assembly,
Male-to-Male Angled &
Male-to-Female Angled

Cable Assemblies, Various Configurations

Static Cables, High-Flex,
Drag-Chain Cable Options

Cable
Assemblies

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