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INTRODUCTION

This Technical Report provides guidance for balanced cabling in support of at least 40 Gbit/s data transmission. The guidance proposes of two new channel specifications, namely Class I and Class II, with two connections able to support future 40GBASE-T up to at least 30 m.

In addition, this Technical Report contains the description of channels with two connections based on existing Category 6_A and Category 7_A components with and without characterization beyond the current upper frequency and length up to at least 30 m.

In order to evaluate the different channel approaches this Technical Report offers a preliminary assessment of Shannon capacity and reach using the channel transmission performance data described in this report. This assessment is not a definition of 40GBASE-T.

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1 Scope

This part of ISO/IEC 11801 covers the following channel descriptions constructed from components with a nominal impedance of 100 Ω .

- a) Class I: 30 m channel based on upcoming Category 8.1 components. This channel provides increased margin compared to ISO/IEC 11801, Class E_A channels, and an upper frequency limit of 1 600 MHz (2 000 MHz ffs) (see Clause 4).
- b) Class II: 30 m channel based on upcoming Category 8.2 components. This channel provides increased margin compared to ISO/IEC 11801, Class F_A channels, and an upper frequency limit of 1 600 MHz (2 000 MHz ffs) (see Clause 4).
- c) Channels based on Category 6_A components of ISO/IEC 11801, length corrected to 30 m (Clause 5).
- d) Channels based on Category 7_A components of ISO/IEC 11801, length corrected to 30 m (Clause 5).
- e) Channels based on Category 6_A components of ISO/IEC 11801, length corrected to 30 m, characterized beyond the current upper frequency (see Annex B).
- f) Channels based on Category 7_A components of ISO/IEC 11801, length corrected to 30 m, characterized beyond the current upper frequency (see Annex B).

This Technical Report offers an assessment (see Annex A) of expected capacity and reach for the channels defined in Clause 4, Clause 5 and Annex B.

All 30 m channels comprise a 2 m cord (50 % derated) attached at each end of a permanent link of 26 m length. These assumptions are for modelling only.

ISO/IEC 11801 gives the freedom to use different configurations as long as the channel values are fulfilled.

Specific component requirements are not addressed in this Technical Report. Any inferred component requirements are not intended to be normative.

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ISO/IEC 11801:2002, *Information technology – Generic cabling for customer premises*
Amendment 1:2008
Amendment 2:2010¹

IEC TR 61156-1-3, *Multicore and symmetrical pair/quad cables for digital communications – Part 1-3: Electrical transmission parameters for modelling cable assemblies using symmetrical pair/quad cables*

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