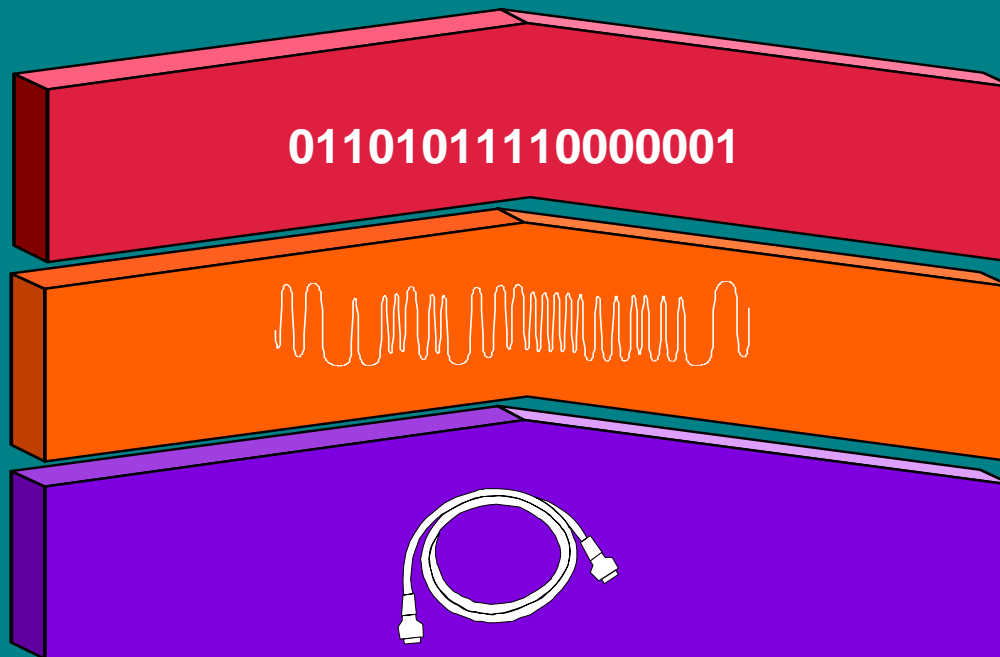


# The Inter-Standard Gap

Fanny Mlinarsky



# Throughput Depends on Bit Error Rate (BER)

- Bit errors cause re-transmissions and slow down the rate of data throughput
- Network bandwidth is wasted when the same information is transmitted more than once
- Low BER maximizes data throughput
- **Robust** networks exhibit low BER in the presence of noise and distortion

# Physical Medium Dependent (PMD) Standards

100 VG-AnyLAN

10-100-1000 Base-T

Token Ring

ATM

## PMD Standard

### Cabling Standard

ISO 11801 - Class B, C, D  
TIA-568-A - Category 3, 4, 5

### Modulation scheme

Data Rate

BER

Spectrum

Ambient Noise

etc.

# 155 Mb/s ATM PMD Standard

**ATM Forum  
AF-PHY-0015.000  
September, 1994**

## **Cabling Standards**

**TIA-568-A Cat 5 UTP  
TIA-568-A 150 Ohm STP  
ISO 11801 120 Ohm STP**

**Modulation: NRZ**

**Data Rate: 155 Mb/s**

**BER:  $10^{-10}$**

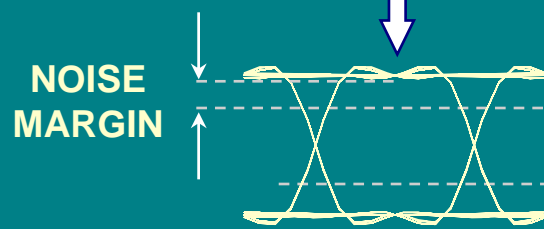
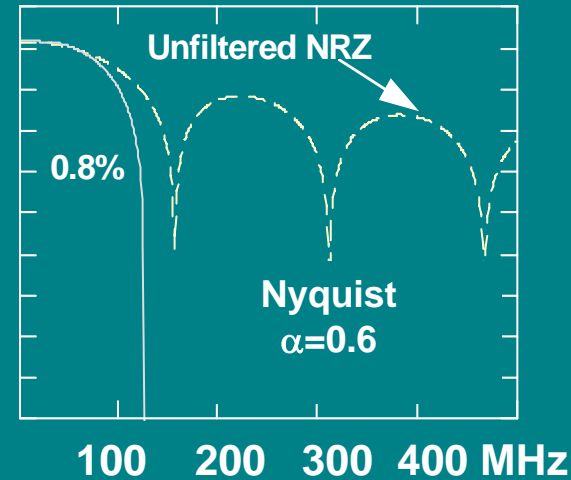
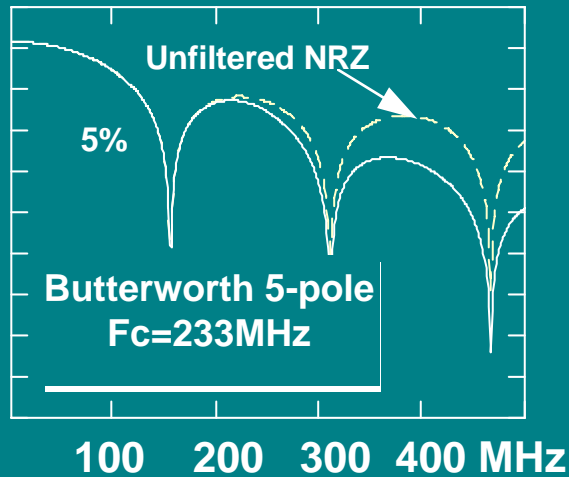
**Spectrum: Indirect spec**

**$1.5\text{ns} < T_{r/f} < 3.5\text{ns}$**

**Self NEXT: 20 mV ptp**

# Spectrum Vs. Rise/Fall Time

$$F_{3dB} = 0.35 / T_{r/f}$$



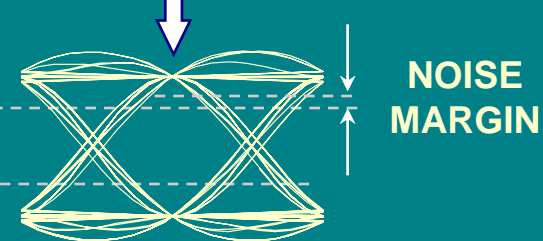
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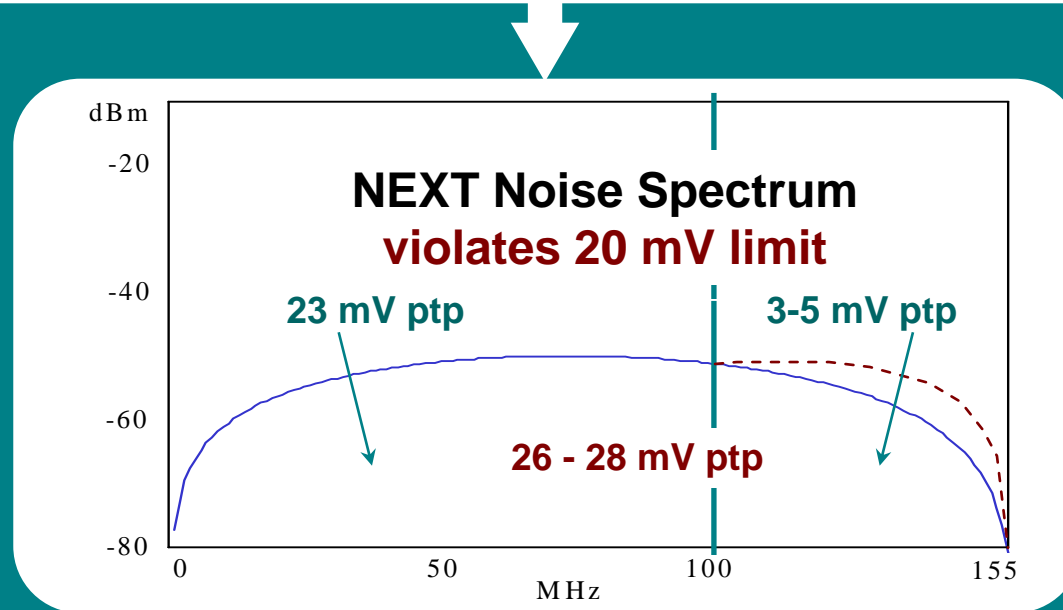
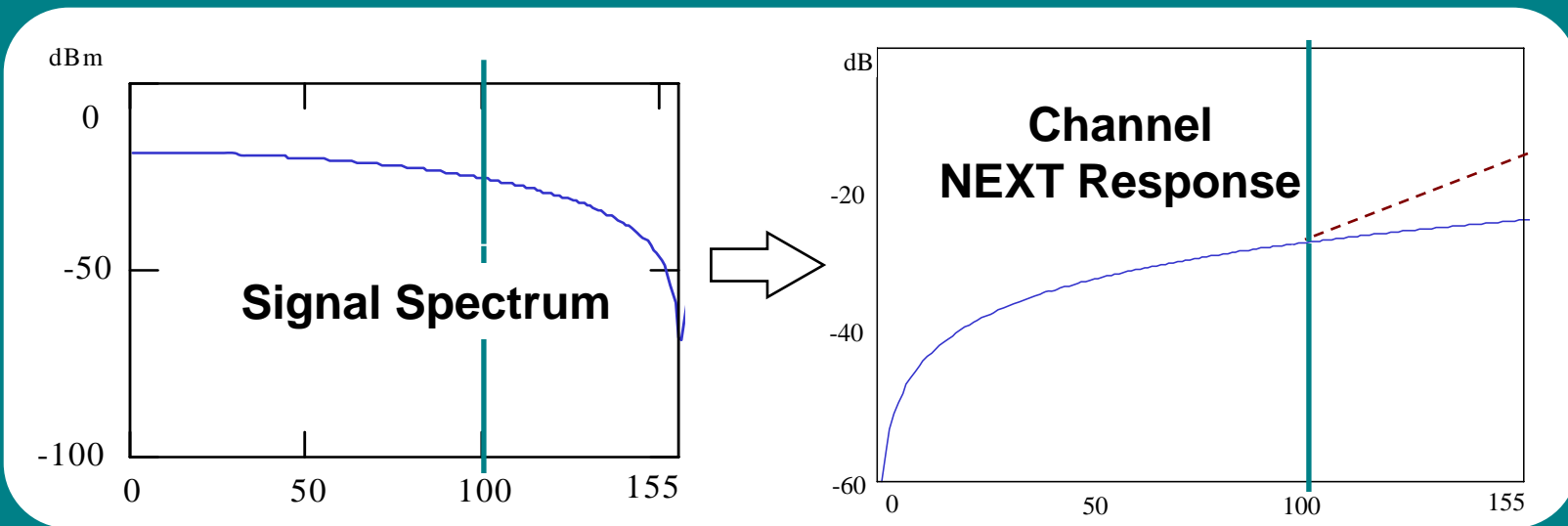
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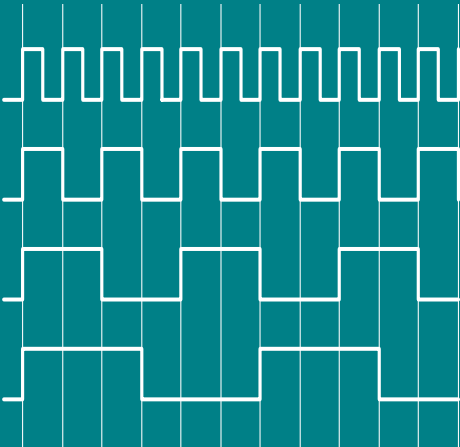
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# NEXT Noise Spectrum



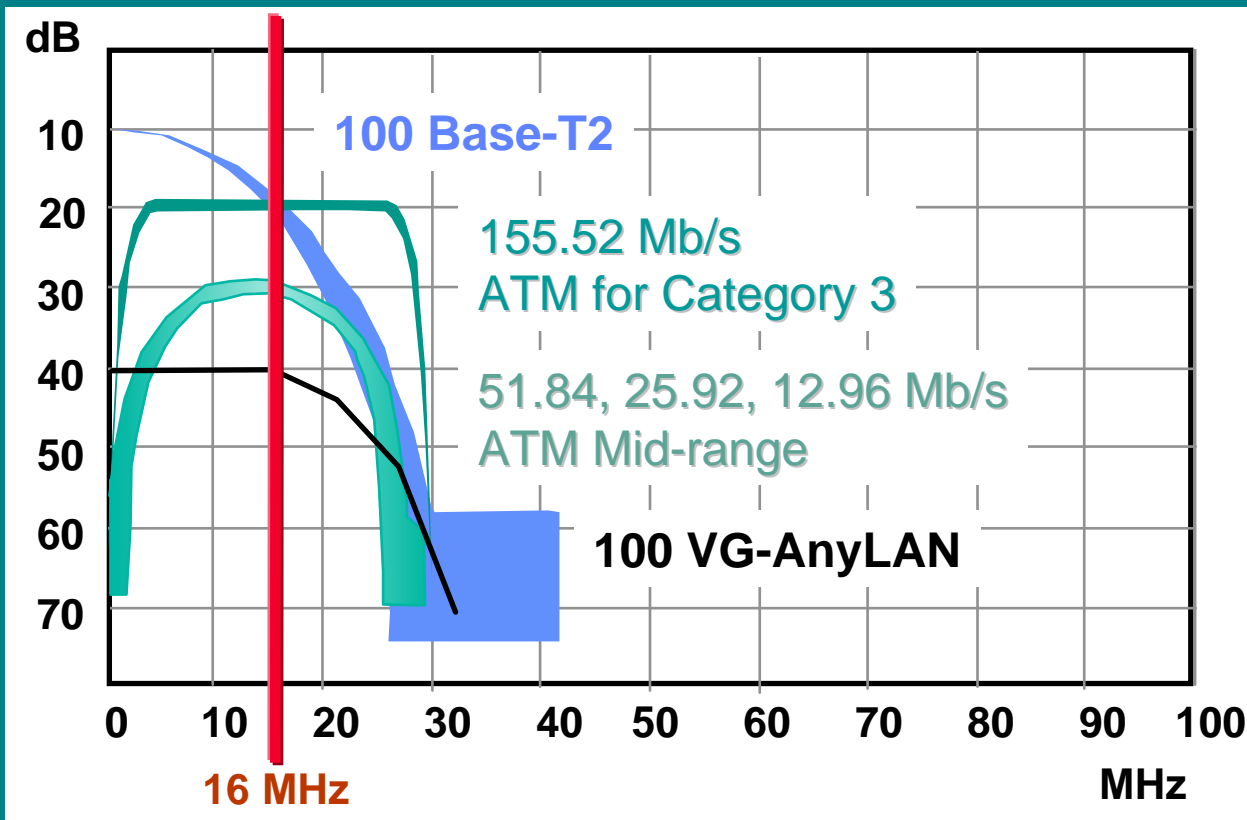
# ATM Self NEXT Noise Gap

155 Mb/s ATM Clock and Data Signals	TSB67 Channel NEXT Limit	mV of Self NEXT TX = 1060 mV *
		
Ck 155.52 MHz		<b>Violates 20 mV limit **</b>
77.76 MHz	29.0 dB	37.6 mV
38.88 MHz	34.1 dB	20.9 mV
25.92 MHz	37.1 dB	14.8 mV

\* Max. transmit voltage = 1060 mV ptp, AF-PHY-0015.000, Section 3.2

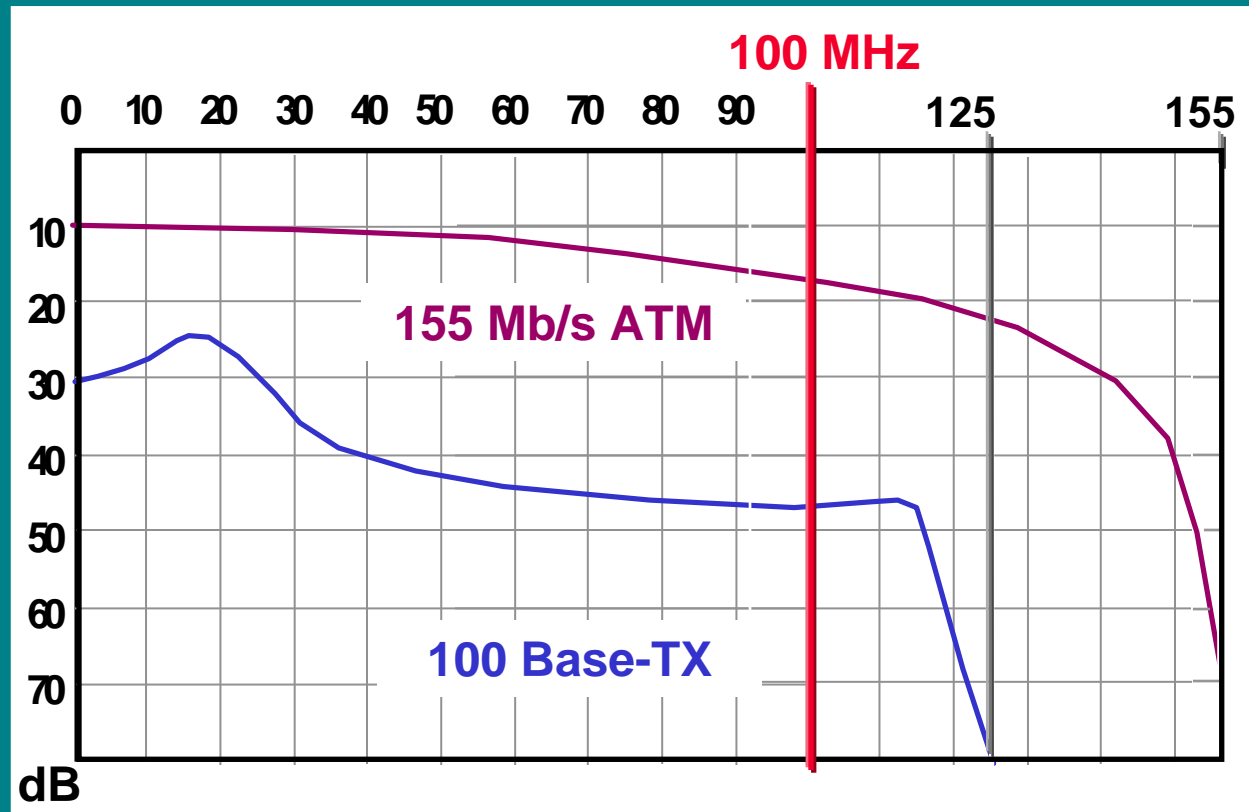
\*\* Max. Self NEXT noise = 20 mV ptp, AF-PHY-0015.000, Section 5.3.1

# Category 3 Networks

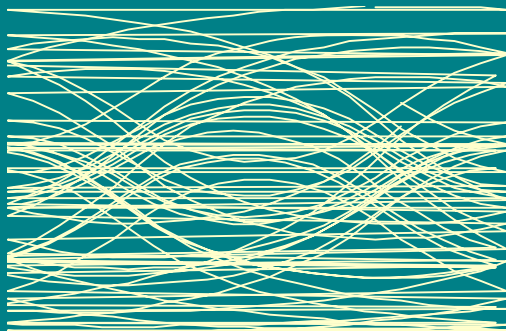
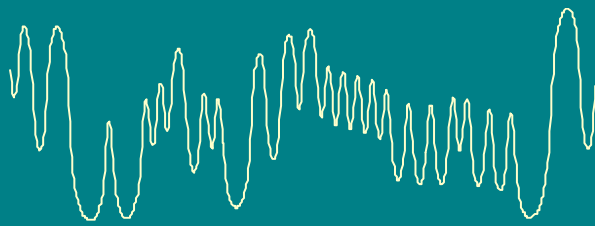
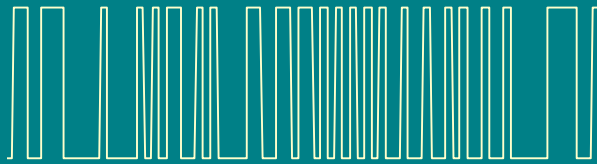




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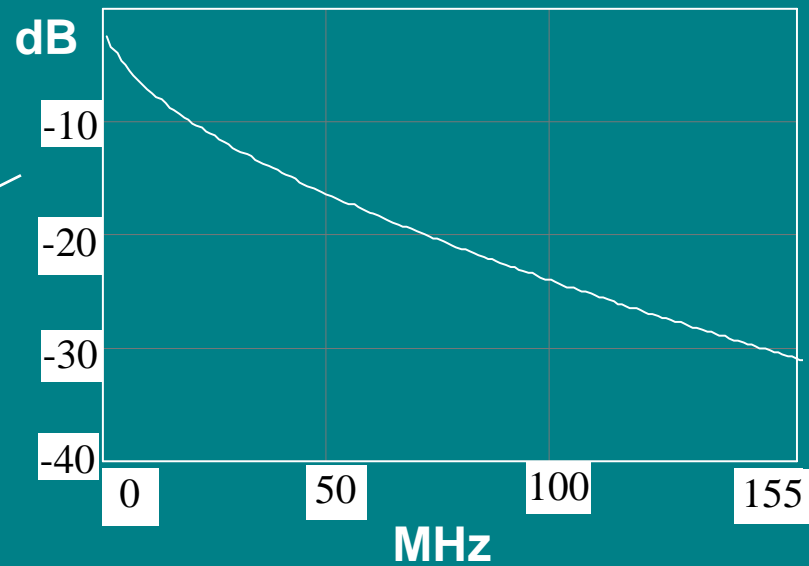


# Distortion in the Channel

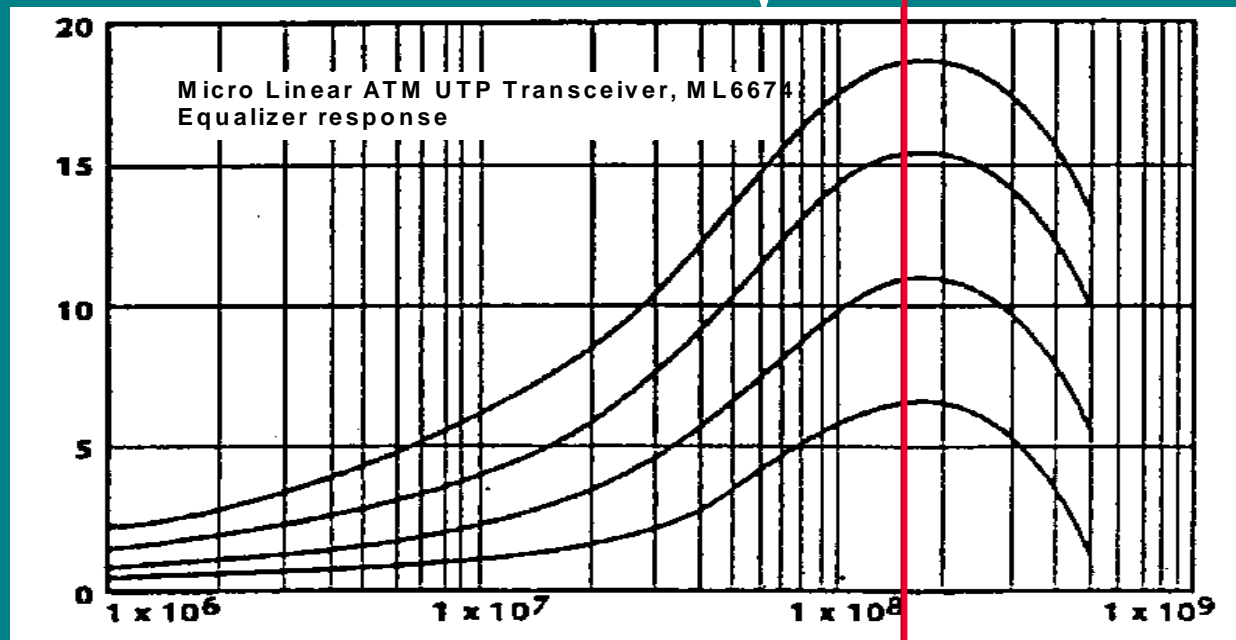
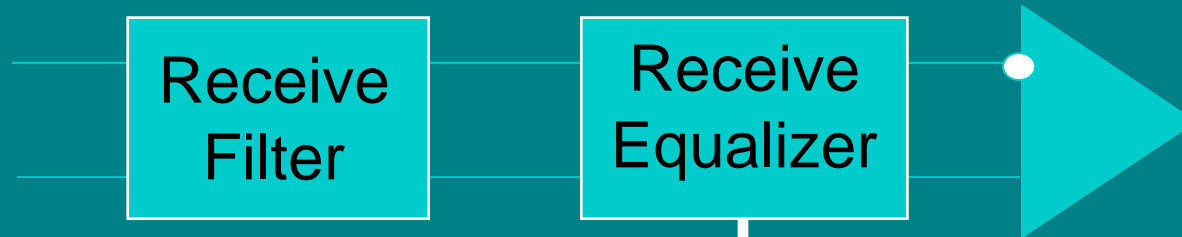


Eye Pattern

TSB-67 Channel Attenuation  
Extended to 155 MHz



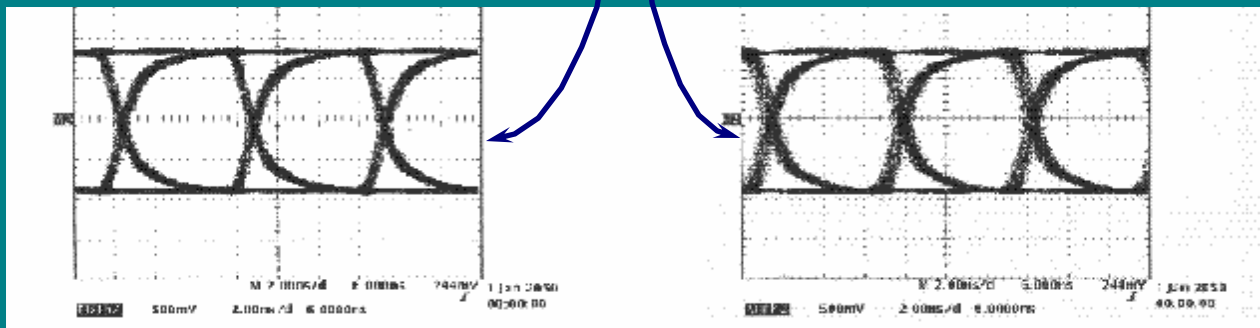
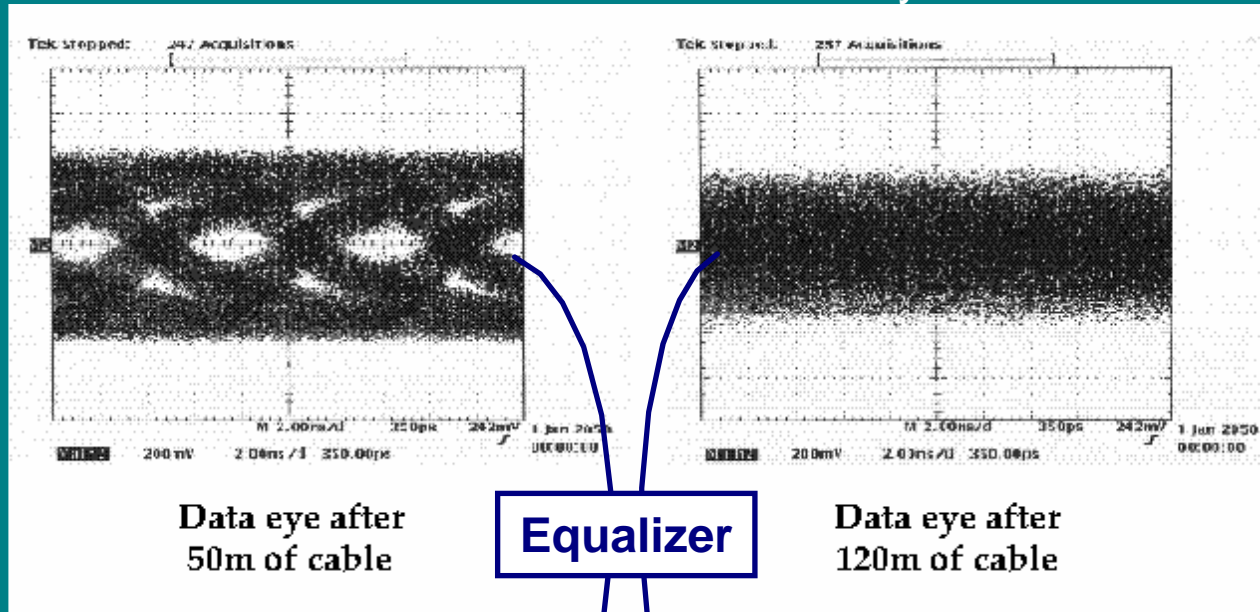
# Signal Equalization



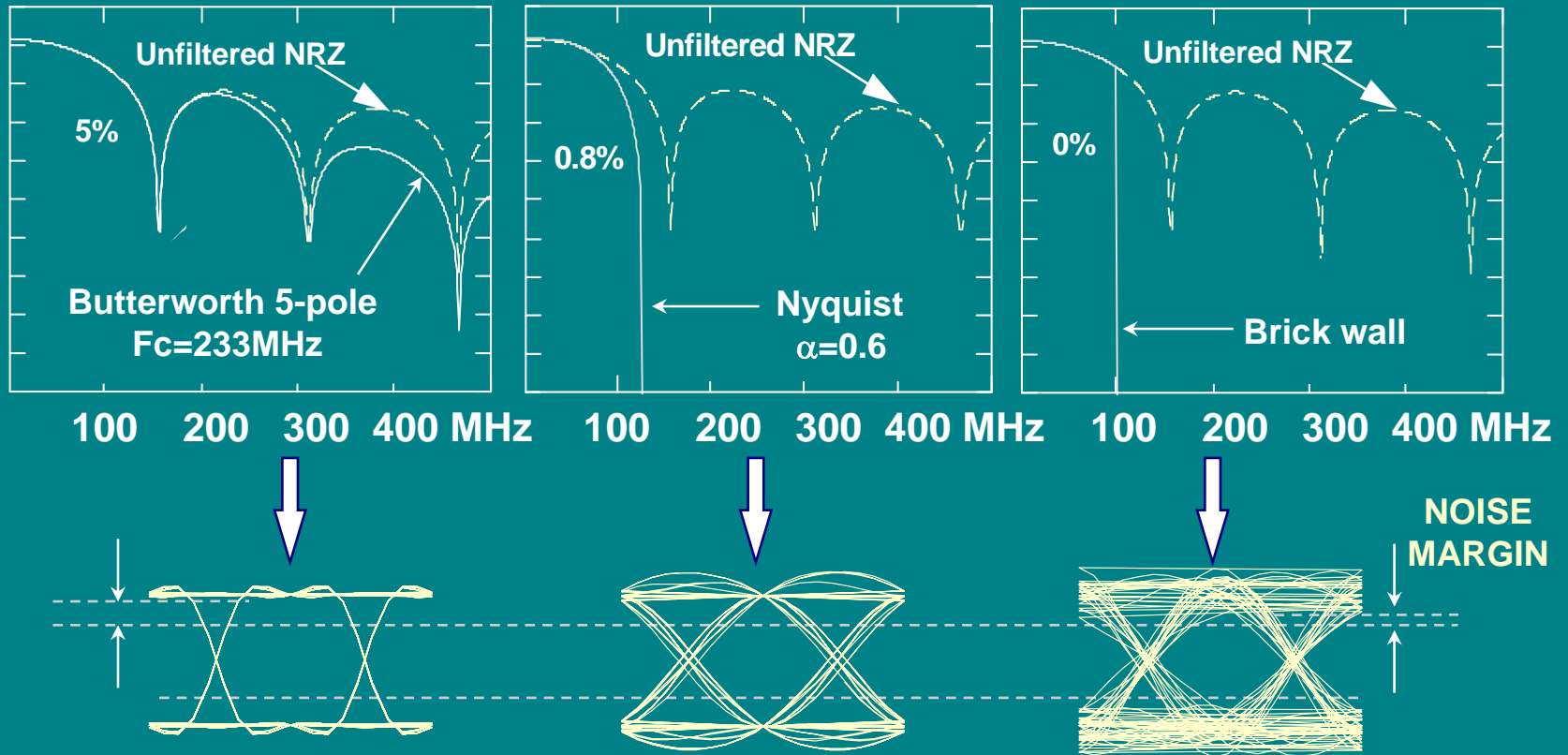
155 MHz

# Data Restored By an Equalizer

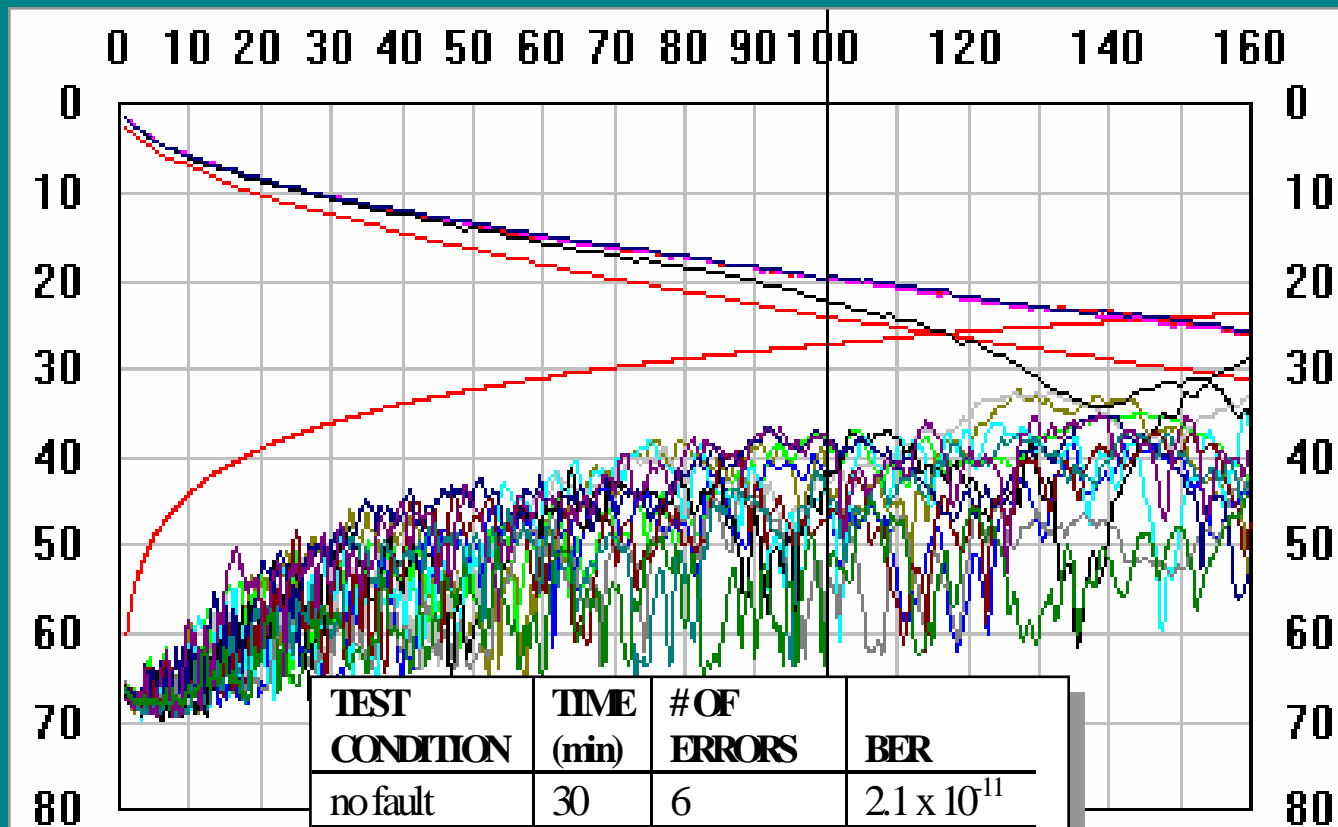
155 Mb/s NRZ measurements made by PMC-Sierra



# Distortion Due To Filtering



# ATM Bit Error Rate Experiment

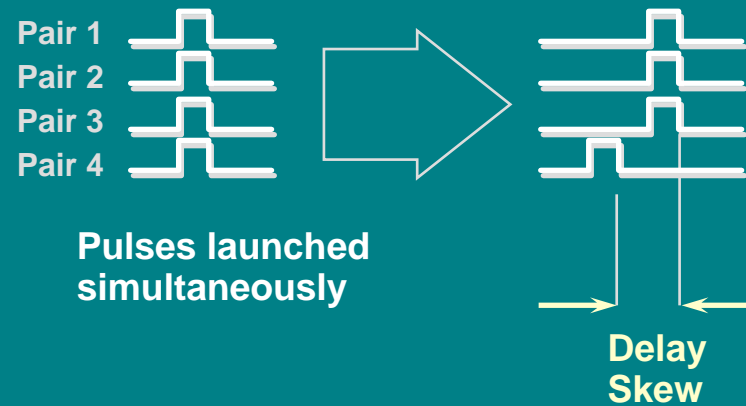


TEST CONDITION	TIME (min)	# OF ERRORS	BER
no fault	30	6	$2.1 \times 10^{-11}$
13.8' stub, representing a bridge tap	30	3560	$1.2 \times 10^{-8}$

Testing audited by

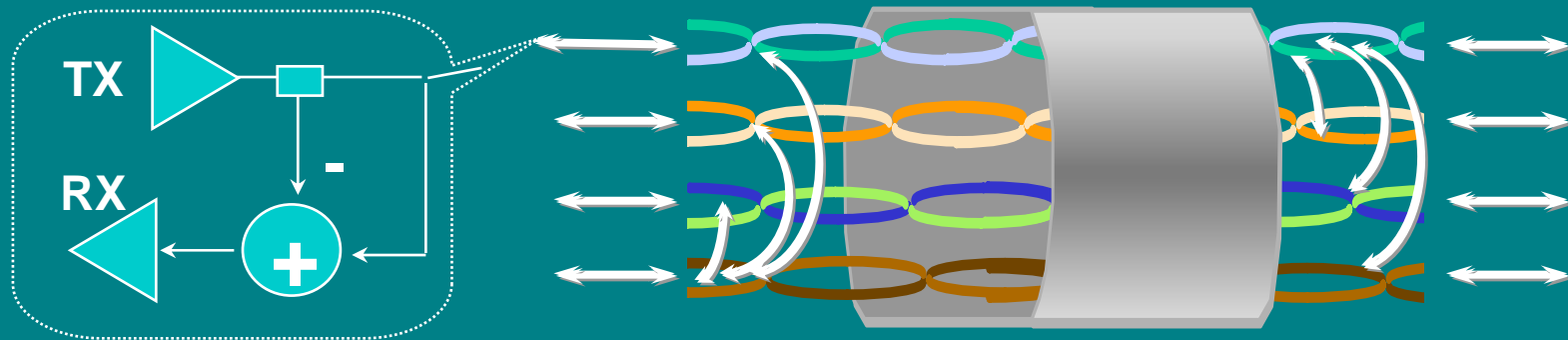


# Delay Skew



\* Flourinated Ethylene Propylene

# DSP Based 1Gb/s Ethernet Signaling Schemes

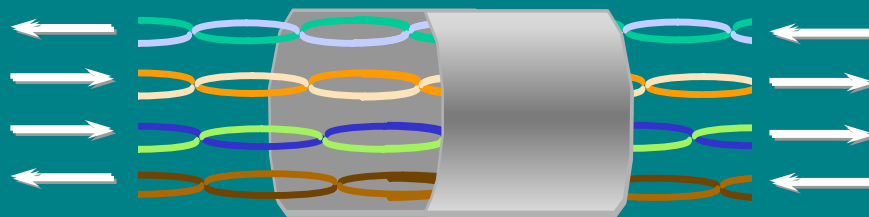


- **DSP-based dual-duplex schemes**
  - Pulse Amplitude Modulation PAM 5x5 or 3x3
  - Quadrature Amplitude Modulation QAM 6x6 , 5x5 or 3x3
- **Potential candidates for the inter-standard gap:**
  - Delay skew of already installed category 5
  - Powersum NEXT from near and far ends



# 4LZS\* 1Gb/s Ethernet Signaling Scheme

Proposal and diagrams contributed by PMC-Sierra



50 m - 1 cat 5 cable  
100 m - 2 cat 5 cables  
? 100 m - 1 cat 5+ cable ?

\* 4 Levels with Zero State

# Summary

- **Data rates over twisted pair medium are increasing**
  - 1990 - 10 Base-T (802.3i)
  - 1995 - 100 Base-T (802.3u)
  - 1998(?) - 1000 Base-T (802.3z)
- **The choice for next generation twisted pair PMD is:**
  - More complex and expensive transceivers or ...
  - Better cabling systems
- **Cabling standards have been lagging networking standards**
- **When field testing twisted pair installations, it may be prudent to:**
  - Certify compliance to a generic cabling standard
  - Perform network specific tests

# Imperfect Equalizer

