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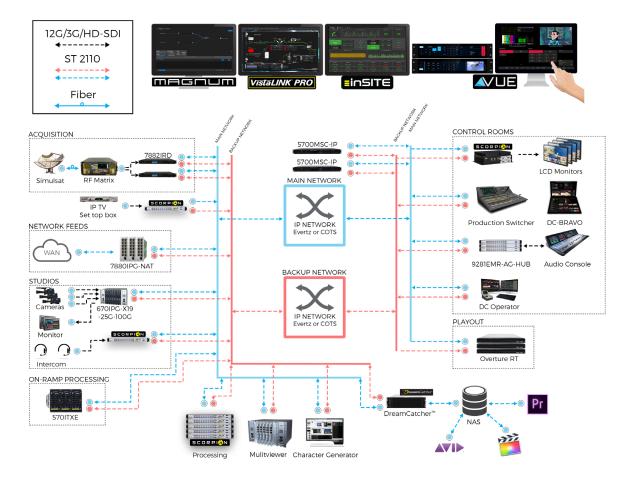
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HANDBOOK INTRODUCTION

This Transition to IP Handbook is a quick reference guide for deploying IP-based systems for media facilities. It covers some of the key elements for an IP-based facility including: connector types (SFP, QSFP, Copper and Fiber), Specialized or COTS IP switches, Orchestration and Monitoring, IP Timing and Edge devices. The material in this handbook is based on the experience from the large number of global installs of Evertz' Software Defined Video Networking (SDVN) solutions.

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STANDARDS OVERVIEW



SMPTE (Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers)

SMPTE has developed thousands of standards, recommended practices, and engineering guidelines, more than 800 of which are in force today. SMPTE Time Code and the ubiquitous SMPTE Color Bars are just two examples of the Society's notable work. Now in its second century, the Society is shaping the next-generation of standards and providing education for the industry to ensure interoperability as the industry evolves further into IT- and IP-based workflows.

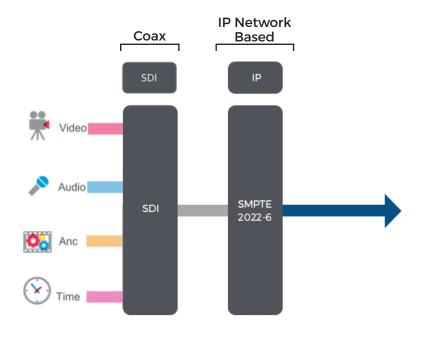
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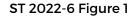
SMPTE STANDARDS

ST 2022-6

SMPTE 2022 is a standard from SMPTE that describes how to send digital video over an IP network. Video formats supported include MPEG-2 and serial digital interface(SDI). The standard, which was introduced in 2007 and published Oct. 9, 2012, is an important technology enabling the transition of broadcast systems to IP networking.

> ST 2022-6 - Transport of High Bit Rate Media Signals over IP Networks (HBRMT)









ST 2110

SMPTE 2110 is a standard from SMPTE that describes how to send digital video over an IP network. The standard differs from previous IP video standards in that video is transmitted in uncompressed format - audio, video and ancillary data are carried as separate streams. SMPTE 2110 is intended to be used within broadcast production and distribution facilities where quality and flexibility are more important than bandwidth efficiency.

SMPTE 2110 is specified in several parts:

ST 2110 standards

• ST 2110-10 - System architecture and synchronization Synchronization is based on SMPTE 2059. (Published Nov. 27, 2017)

• ST 2110-20 - Uncompressed video transport (Published Nov. 27, 2017)

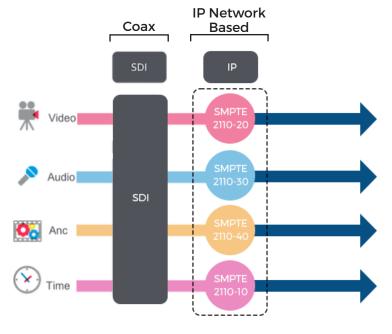
• ST 2110-21 - Traffic shaping and network delivery timing (Published Nov. 27, 2017)

• ST 2110-30 - Audio transport, based on AES67 (Published Nov. 27, 2017)

• ST 2110-31 - Transport of AES3 formatted audio (Published Apr. 31, 2018)

• ST 2110-40 - Professional Media Over Managed IP Networks: SMPTE ST 291-1 Ancillary Data

More information: https://www.smpte.org/smpte-st-2110-faq









SMPTE 2059

SMPTE 2059 is a standard from SMPTE that describes how to synchronize video equipment over an IP network.

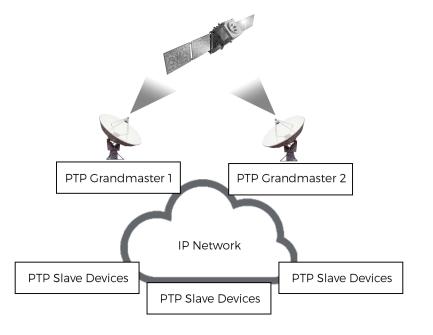
The standard is based on IEEE 1588-2008. SMPTE 2059 is published in two parts:

*Refer to PTP section for more precision timing protocol information.

ST 2059 standards

• SMPTE 2059-1 – Defines signal generation based on time information delivered by the IEEE 1588 protocol. (Published Apr. 9, 2015)

• SMPTE 2059-2 – Defines an operating profile for the IEEE protocol optimized to the needs of media synchronization. (Published Apr. 9, 2015)



ST 2059 Figure 1



STREAM CAPACITIES FOR IP SYSTEMS

Introduction

Software Defined Video Networking (SDVN) IP- based solutions are capable of supporting 10 GbE, 25 GbE, 40 GbE and 100 GbE network fabrics. All routing solutions work with uncompressed video (12G/3G/HD) and audio multicast streams compliant to SMPTE ST 2022-6, SMPTE ST 2110-10/20/30, and compressed streams (i.e. JPEG2000) using SMPTE 2022-2, or any mix of these standards, simultaneously.

The tables below indicate the theoretical maximum number of multicast streams/flows per port based on interface speed for 50Hz and 59.94Hz respectively

IP PORT CAPACITIES 50Hz STANDARDS

Rate	Media Stream Type		per Port	ber of Streams	Num		Rate	Media Stream Type
Mb/s	59.94 Hz fps Standards	100 GbE	40 GbE	25 GbE	10 GbE	1 GbE	Mb/s	50 Hz fps Standards
270	525i-59.94 SDI	·					270	625i-50 SDI
284	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2022	352	140	88	38	3	284	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2022
246	Uncompressed SMPTE 2110	411	164	102	41	4	243	Uncompressed SMPTE 2110
120	Compressed JPEG 2000 / XS	832	332	208	83	8	120	Compressed JPEG 2000
1,484	HD 1080i-59.94 SDI						1,485	HD 1080i-50 SDI
1,558	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2022	64	25	16	6	0	1,559	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2022
1,330	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2110	89	35	21	6	0	1,114	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2110
150/186	Compressed JPEG 2000 / XS	664 / 644	264 / 256	166 / 161	66/64	6/6	150/155	Compressed JPEG 2000 / XS
2,970	3G 1080p-59.94 SDI	·					2,970	3G 1080p-50 SDI
3,119	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2022	32	12	8	3	0	3,119	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2022
2,635	Uncompressed SMPTE 2110	44	18	11	4	0	2,202	Uncompressed SMPTE 2110
200/373	Compressed JPEG 2000 / XS	500/320	200/128	125 / 80	50/32	5/3	200/311	Compressed JPEG 2000 / XS
12,000	4K UHD 2160p-59.94 SDI			1			12,000	4K UHD 2160p-50 SDI
12,600	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2022	7	3	1	0	0	12,600	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2022
10,466	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2110	11	4	2	1	0	8,734	Uncompressed SMPTE ST 2110
800/1,49	Compressed JPEG 2000 / XS	124 / 80	48/32	31 / 20	12/8	1/0	800/1.240	Compressed JPEG 2000 / XS

IP PORT CAPACITIES 59.94Hz STANDARDS

1 GbE

3

4

8

0

0

6/5

0

0

5/2

0

1/0

Number of Streams per Port

40 GbE

140

162

320

25

30

240/212

12

15

200/104

3

3

48/24

100 GbE

352

406

800

64

75

664/536

32

37

500/268

7

9

124/64

25 GbE

88

101

200

16

18

166 / 134

8

9

125/67

1

2

31/16

10 GbE

35

40

80

6

7

60/53

3

3

50/26

0

0

12/6

*Note: Numbers stated in tables are for guidance purposes only. Assumptions are that all the streams in the switch fabric are the same picture format.

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For ST-2022-6 and ST-2110 streams, the video payload will be uncompressed 12G/3G/HD signals. To effectively move content with a non-blocking architecture, the switch capacity of the Evertz and COTS IP should be considered for both immediate and future requirements.

Media Stream Type	Rate**	Required Switch Capacity					
ST 2022-6 (# of TX and RX)		100	200	400	500	1000	
HD 1080i/50	1.559 Gb/s	312 Gb/s	624 Gb/s	1.247 Tb/s	1.559 Tb/s	3.118 Tb/s	
HD 1080i/59.94	1.558 Gb/s	312 Gb/s	624 Gb/s	1.246 Tb/s	1.558 Tb/s	3.116 Tb/s	
HD 1080p/50	3.119 Gb/s	624 Gb/s	1.248 Tb/s	2.495 Tb/s	3.119 Tb/s	6.238 Tb/s	
HD 1080p/59.94	3.119 Gb/s	624 Gb/s	1.248 Tb/s	2.495 Tb/s	3.119 Tb/s	6.238 Tb/s	
ST 2110 (# of TX and RX)		100	200	400	500	1000	
HD 1080i/50	1.114 Gb/s	223 Gb/s	446 Gb/s	891 Gb/s	1.114 Tb/s	2.228 Tb/s	
HD 1080i/59.94	1.330 Gb/s	266 Gb/s	532 Gb/s	1.064 Tb/s	1.330 Tb/s	2.660 Tb/s	
HD 1080p/50	2.202 Gb/s	440 Gb/s	881 Gb/s	1.762 Tb/s	2.202 Tb/s	4.404 Tb/s	
HD 1080p/59.94	2.635 Gb/s	527 Gb/s	1.054 Tb/s	2.108 Tb/s	2.635 Tb/s	5.270 Tb/s	
UHD 2160p/50	8. 755 Gb/s	1.751 Tb/s	3.502 Tb/s	7.004 Tb/s	8.755 Tb/s	17.510 Tb/s	
UHD 2160p/59.94	10.279 Gb/s	2.056 Tb/s	4.112 Tb/s	8.223 Tb/s	10.279 Tb/s	20.558 Tb/s	



Software Defined Networking (SDN)

Introduction

The simplest method to control the IP COTS switch would be using IGMPv3 or an interface to a network controller. The network bandwidth and pathing would be managed by the IP COTS switches or network controller. However, for more secure and deterministic switching, it is recommended that Software Defined Networking (SDN) be used to control the media flows over the IP COTS switches. MAGNUM is a SDN Network orchestrator that uses direct connects to the Evertz' and other COTS IP switch fabrics for secure and deterministic control.

Redundancy

The Broadcast Controller/Orchestration should be architected in a fully redundant manner to ensure 100% uptime and availability. This can be accomplished by implementing a 1+1 Redundancy or a distributed N+1 architecture for the Broadcast Controllers/Orchestration.

Third-party control

The Broadcast Controller/Orchestration should support NMOS IS-04 and IS-05 at minimum to control media flows between edge devices on the network. MAGNUM also has a library of device drivers that provide advanced controls of edge devices (e.g. settings, parameters) and exposes Quartz Routing Protocol over Ethernet for control by other third-party systems.

Support for IGMP (V3) and SDVN

Internet Group Management Protocol (IGMP) provides a simple approach to move multicast signals across small non-live networks. IGMP allows a host to advertise its multicast group membership to neighboring switches and routers. Creating a straight forward and simple way of communicating and distributing signals throughout your network. When working with large scalable networks that require full control, bandwidth management and unparalleled network visibility, the use of SDVN Broadcast controllers communicating with the IP switch fabrics (via API) is highly recommended.

Native SDN API Access

As mentioned above, SDN (Software Defined Network) / SDVN (Software Defined Video Networks) are a critical component of IP Based Broadcast facilities. It is highly recommended that the chosen switch fabric supports native communication between your Broadcast Controller/ Orchestration (MAGNUM) and the switch. This integrated API control should provide sustainable high speed message handling at scale and, the ability to establish deterministic flow routing throughout the network.



ORCHESTRATION, MONITORING AND ANALYSIS

Orchestration

An important functionality for any IP-based facility using ST 2022-6 and ST 2110 is the ability to manage and control the flows across the IP network. This is accomplished by the Broadcast Controller/Orchestration layer. In the case of Evertz SDVN, MAGNUM is the Orchestration layer.

The main functions of the Broadcast Controller/Orchestration layer are:

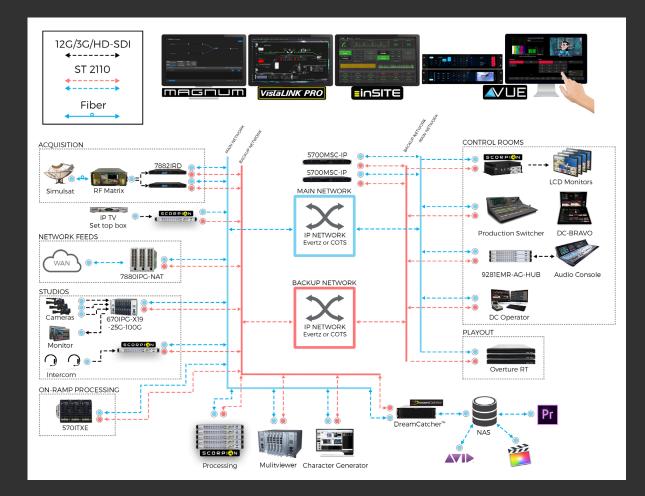
Provide a familiar user interface

MAGNUM allows users to control the system using existing hardware control panels (e.g. X-Y panels) and / or software panels (e.g. Evertz VUE).

Discover/manage edges devices as resources MAGNUM uses NMOS IS-04 to discover and register devices on the network. These edge devices are treated as resources in the system where media flows can either be transmitted or received.

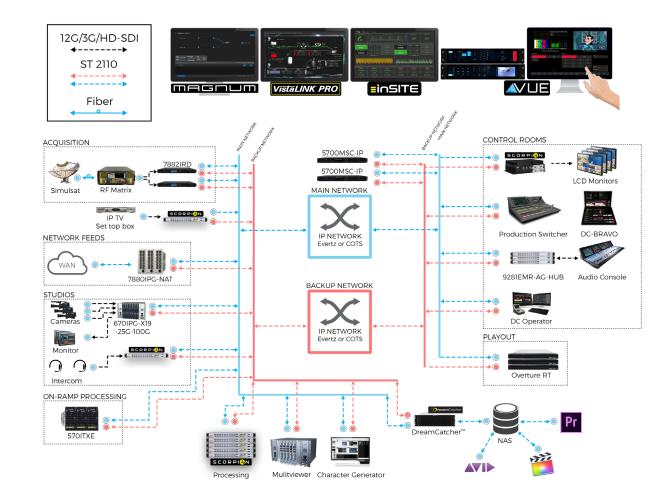
Control Media Flows

MAGNUM uses NMOS IS-05 to control the media flows between edge devices. MAGNUM has direct control of media flows across Evertz IP Switch Fabrics or Cisco IP switches (using Cisco API).



MAGNUM CONTROL





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MAGNUM is a software application that is available on servers provided by Evertz, or can be installed on customer provided servers. It is also available for VM or Cloud applications. For redundancy purposes, it can be configured into a 'cluster' - meaning MAGNUM Control is installed on multiple servers within one network.

The communication within the MAGNUM Control cluster is through the network fabric. This allows the user to host MAGNUM servers in different locations for additional redundancy.

MAGNUM is the core of orchestration for SDVN systems. With its familiar broadcast equipment controller and advanced network controller tools, it provides users with a centralized approach for all SDVN orchestration.

MAGNUM provides necessary features that includes centralized and automatic device registration, multicast flow management, port and multiviewer management, and security. It also provides extensive support for third party devices using published APIs, NMOS IS-04 and IS-05.

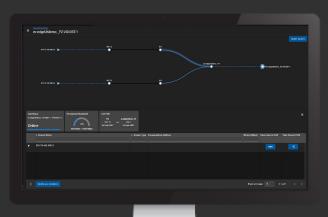




Every MAGNUM application is capable of controlling all SDI and IP systems simultaneously, eliminating the need to have separate control systems for a hybrid environment. All control interfaces are hosted and managed by MAGNUM for such devices as SDI routers, IP Fabrics, SDI/IP multi viewers, and other infrastructure devices. This allows any interface (physical or virtual) to access all devices within the network.

MAGNUM allows IP systems to be presented to the user in a simple and familiar layout. Sources and destinations are communicated in simple topologies, for at-a-glance information. With MAGNUM, managing multicast routing and mapping under the hood of your system has never been easier. It provides a centralized control for multiviewers.

MAGNUM also provides centralized control of multiviewers, allowing the creation and management of layouts for displays throughout your network. This allows any traditional broadcast operator to easily work with an SDVN IP system. It allows resources such as sources, destinations, displays, and devices, to be tagged and virtually created within MAGNUM. These tags can be attributed to specific user clients, allowing simple access management for all interfaces.





MAGNUM supports all traditional Evertz control panels and all-new Evertz VUE touch interface panels. All VUE clients are registered in MAGNUM and all layouts are centrally stored in MAGNUM allowing any VUE interface to transform into any workflow.







VUE is user defined panel software, that is fully customizable for operational needs. VUE comes in a variety of form-factors to adapt to your system as needed. Popular options include: 2RU rack mounted VUE-TOUCH2 panels, 10" desktop VUE TOUCH 10 Panel, and VUE-SW Windows 10 software application.

VUE features a design studio that allows users to easily create new layouts, depending on the needs of the operator's role. These layouts are then centrally stored in MAGNUM, and can be ac-cessed from any other VUE client on your SDVN. In the case of client failure, a new VUE client can be configured in minutes allowing your produc-tion to stay on track.

VUEAPPS are pre-built workflows for specific operational needs such as VUEAPP-TECH-DIRECTOR or VUEAPP-QC. These workflows are custom presets that correspond to the operators needs. The VUEAPP's aim to reduce configuration time and allow the user to leverage advanced workflows in minimal time. Any VUE screen can support multiple interfaces for maximum flexibility

Here is a list of current VUEAPPS:

VUEAPP-AUDIO-DIRECTOR VUEAPP-DIRECTOR VUEAPP-PRODUCER VUEAPP-QC-PROD VUEAPP-TECH-DIRECTOR VUEAPP-TECH-DIRECTOR-PRO VUEAPP-FEED-MANAGER VUEAPP-STUDIO-MANAGER VUEAPP-GFX-OP VUEAPP-ENGINEER VUEAPP-ROBO-LIGHT-OP VUEAPP-MCR-OP



*Contact Evertz sales for an updated list of VUEAPP's



VistaLINK PRO

MONITORING AND ANALYSIS

With the introduction of ST 2110 and independent media essences, the number of flows within the network can be much higher than one would find in a typical SDI system. In addition, the Ethernet interfaces can also carry a significant amount of media flows (depending on bandwidth) over a single link. In these cases, network monitoring tools and system analysis becomes essential to any IP-based facility. The network monitoring tools and system analysis will leverage telemetry data from the IP COTS switch fabrics, PTP timings sources and network, edge devices, and Orchestration layer to give users a real time view of the overall system.

VISTALINK PRO® NETWORK MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING

The real advantage of SNMP is its simplicity. VistaLINK can monitor and configure thousands of network nodes world-wide using all versions of SNMP. VistaLINK® PRO and VistaLINK® PRO PLUS can provide a variety of configuration and monitoring for SNMP-based equipment for Evertz or 3rd party devices.



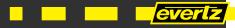
VistaLINK PRO® Desktop Monitoring interface



VISTALINK® PRO LIST OF BENEFITS:

-Lower OPEX by improving operator efficiency
-Reduce Mean-Time-To-Repair (MTTR) and improve service levels
-Proven and mature management system
-Manage system resources more efficiently
-Deploy new technologies faster and at lower costs

VistaLINK PRO[®] Desktop Monitoring interface





Big Data Analytics

The transition to IP routing networks continues to evolve and grow. The need for more specialized and advanced tools to assist with system troubleshooting and diagnostics grows more important to avoid unforeseen infrastructure failures and production interruptions.

Modern IP-based networks provide a wealth of new information that is available in the form of "device data".

Visibility to what every network element is doing and how they are performing at all times (good or bad) is the new requirement for effective monitoring.

Having adequate tools to collect, search and visualize this data from a forensics perspective is quickly becoming a new paradigm for monitoring in the broadcast space - This provided by Evertz inSITE.

Evertz inSITE collects and aggregates all machine data points (logs, syslogs, events and metrics from any source). These collected data sets are correlated to identify root cause faster, key performance metrics for system performance and resource usage with real-time dashboards. In addition to these dashboards, inSITE provides direct interfacing with other Evertz software tools (VistaLINK PRO, MAGNUM and Mediator) to leverage inSITE's data analysis capabilities. For broadcasters, inSITE is the leading platform for operational intelligence of their facility.





INTUITIVE INTERFACES



Common types of data collection that inSITE monitors and displays are:

- Syslog
- SNMP

 Structured Data (JSON/XML/CSV) • HTTP/Web Services

- Windows Event Logs
- Windows/Linux Process Info
- SQL Databases
- Beats





IP TIMING

Introduction

One of the more critical components of an IP facility is system timing. Unlike the traditional timing distribution found in SDI facilities, where a sync generator sends out continuous bi-level or tri-level pulses, an IP facility requires packets to be timestamped using a time based protocol.

The IEEE 1588-2008 Precision Time Protocol (PTPv2) is a common (and accurate) method of timing devices on the network. For professional media networks, SMPTE 2059-2 defines a specific PTP profile for media streams based on either ST 2022-6 or ST 2110.

Essentially, SMPTE 2059-2 is used by edge device connected to the network as a reference to synchronize their internal clock. The objective is to set the absolute time difference between any two clocks to within a specified limit (typically one microsecond). With this in mind, how PTP is distributed in the facility has to be taken into consideration.



Common Blocks for IP Timing

Grandmaster Clock

This is the main (or master) source for synchronization using PTPv2/SMPTE 2059-2. Similar to a master sync pulse generator (SPG) in SDI, the Grandmaster requires a precise time source. These include: Global Positioning System (GPS), GLONASS, GALLI LEO, BEIDOU or other regional satellite-based navigation systems. In the case of Evertz 5700MSC-IP, the internal 10Hz crystal can be used as a time source.

Boundary Clock

A boundary clock consists of multiple PTP ports that acts as both a slave and a master clock. It receives a sync message in, adjusts for delay, and creates a new message to pass down the network to connected devices.

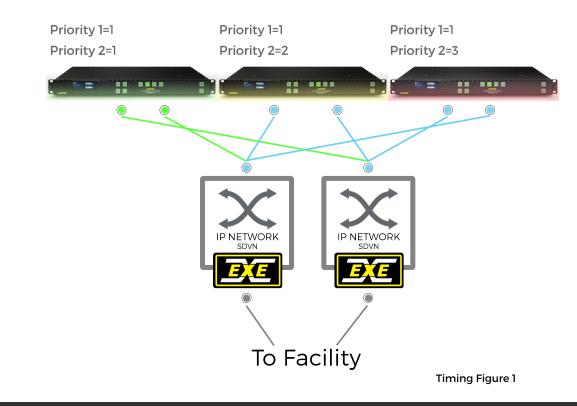
Transparent Clock

A transparent clock (typically a network switch) will update the time-interval field in the PTP event message allowing for the delay to be more accurately calculated.

Best Master Clock Algorithm (BMCA)

PTP redundancy is achieved with multiple Grandmaster Clocks and BMCA. BMCA continuously evaluates all of the PTP Grandmaster Clocks to determine which one becomes the Active Grandmaster, with the others remaining in standby mode ready to take over the role of Active Grandmaster if required.

How BMCA Works for PTP Redundancy



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The use of two network switches in this example (see Timing FIGURE 1) ensures that PTP will be available from the PTP Grandmaster to the plant, even if a network switch, cable or interface becomes defective. You may also notice that each of the PTP Grandmaster candidates has been assigned values for PTP settings Priority 1 and Priority 2. These values are used to administratively establish hierarchy in a system of redundant PTP clocks.

> PTP Priority 1 is the first of seven compared values in the BMCA process. The PTP clock with the lowest numeric value will win each decision. If PTP Priority 1 is the same value on each PTP clock, there is a tie, and the next value in the BMCA process is evaluated. Beside is a table illustrating the values that are compared in each stage of BMCA.

PTP Priority 1	Administratively Determined – Controls Order of Hierarchy
PTP Clock Class	Based on Traceability of Reference to TAI Source
PTP Clock Accuracy	Based on the Accuracy of the Time Reference
PTP Clock Variance	Based on the Stability of the Time Reference Source and local clock
Topology	Based on the Number of Boundary Clock Steps
PTP Priority 2	Administratively Determined – Controls Order of Redundancy
Unique Identifier	Based on the Primary MAC Address

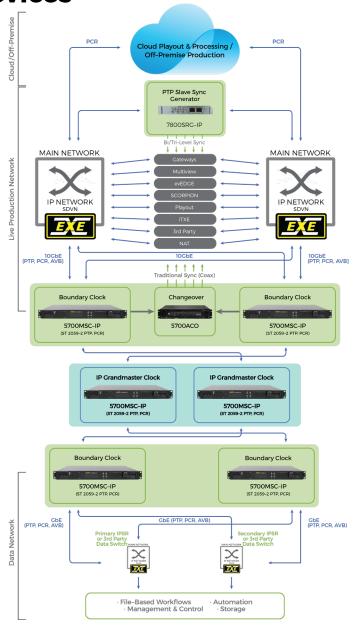
Distribution Architecture for PTP Edge Devices

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Distribution of PTP timing requires some network planning to ensure minimal points of failure and maximum redundancy. A majority of PTP networks employ an architecture similar to a leaf-spine to distribute PTP to the maximum number of edge devices.

Evertz recommends an architecture where the 5700MSC-IP can either be the Grandmaster Clock or a Boundary Clock. First, use a pair (for redundancy) of 5700MSC-IP as the Grandmaster Clocks to provide PTP timing service to all downstream PTP clients (PTP Slave Clocks). By using additional 5700MSC-IP's as (add's to 5700) Boundary Clocks, facilities not only relieves the Grandmaster Clocks of a substantial amount of workload (handling messages from each connected edge device). but also protects the Grandmaster Clocks from downstream network problems.

It is recommended that the Boundary Clocks have more than one upstream network path to the Grandmaster Clocks, using more than one upstream PTP interface to eliminate a single point of failure. For increased redundancy, Boundary Clocks should also be installed in redundant sets of more than one Boundary Clock.



Timing Figure 2



IP SWITCHES

Introduction

The key factors when choosing a switch fabric and architecture are based on the facility's needs and requirements. With a wide range of fabrics available to choose from, a number of key requirements must be met to effectively handle ST 2022-6 and ST 2110 media streams.

IP Switch Requirements:

Switch Capacity

As shown in the switch capacity charts (page 5-6), to handle the number of uncompressed video media streams (using either ST 2022-6 or ST 2110), the switch capacity needs to be very large (up 120Tb/s) to allow the facility to be future proof.

Non-blocking

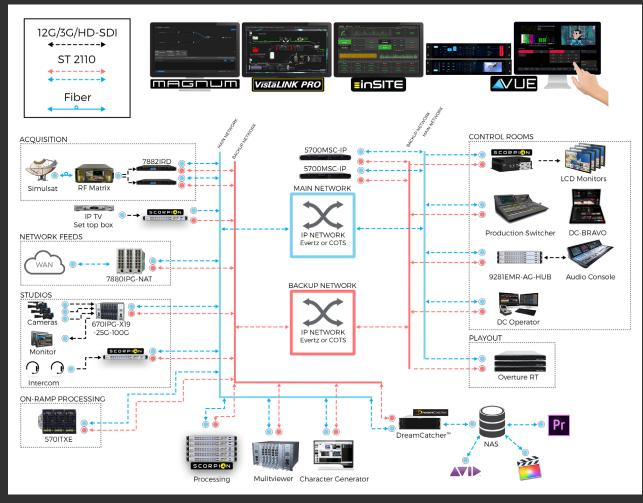
Similar to SDI routing, the internal bandwidth of the IP switch should handle all the ports simultaneously switching at the same time. This is an essential requirement for any live production.

Advanced Telemetry

IP switches should have the ability to report the status of the multicasts within the network for full visibility.

Redundancy

Building a robust network architecture poses several challenges. Today's Broadcast Media facilities have a number of 24/7 operation requirements. An IP-based network architecture provides a flexible design when compared to that of traditional SDI infrastructures in terms of redundancy. For large scale environments, the IP switch should have an internal architecture that maximizes redundancy.



*Evertz' SDVN solution is agnostic to the choice of Switch Fabric, COTS or Specialised fabrics can be chosen to suit.



Network Topologies

Evertz offers several different network topology options, the simplest and typical starting point is monolithic.

Monolithic

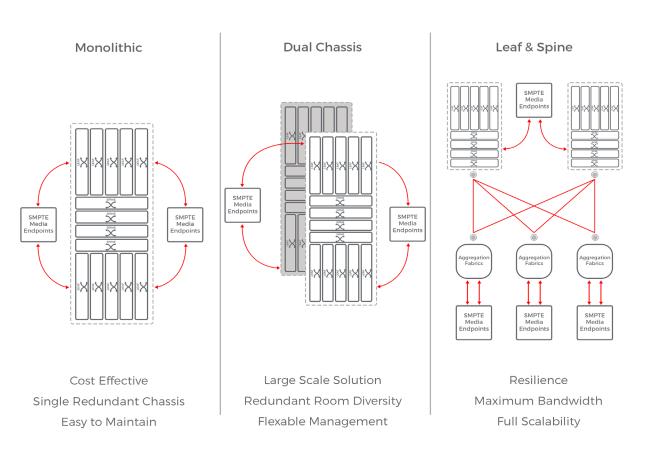
Monolithic refers to one core with all host devices directly connected. This network topology provides the simplest form but depending on the facility requirements it may not scale appropriately and additionally could be wasting valuable bandwidth with underutilized ports.

Dual Chassis

This approach combines the simplicity of monolithic while offering diverse connectivity for overall network redundancy, room diversity, and can effectively double the available capacity of a singular monolithic core. Dual Chassis however still suffers from a certain amount of wasted bandwidth from underutilized ports.

Leaf and Spine

Leaf and spine topologies have been used extensively in IT datacenters for many years and have been a proven approach to a scalable and flexible solution. Also called core and aggregation, leaf and spine aggregate each host connection via leaf switches. Leaf switches provide a cost-effective solution to bundling bandwidth. The Leaf switches are then all aggregated to a spine, this spine has high bandwidth ports that accept the leaf connections as well as directly connected high bandwidth hosts. Hosts that require high bandwidth are recommended to be connected directly to the spine.



* Evertz SDVN can use COTS/ EXE or IPX.



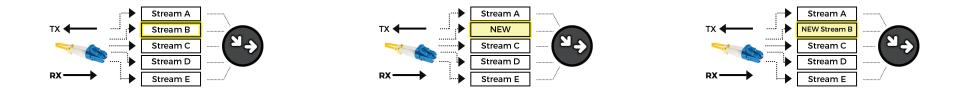
Switch Mechanisms

Clean Switching in the IP Domain

One common function available in the SDI world was the ability to perform a "Clean Switch". Clean switching while not necessary under every circumstance was commonly available in SDI routers. IP, however, needs careful consideration when clean switching is required at certain or all destinations. Evertz IP Switch Fabric (EXE, IPX) are the only fabric manufactured to date that offers the ability to cleanly switch each source to the destination very much as it existed in the baseband world. If utilizing COTS switches then a different approach is necessary.

Centralized Core Switching

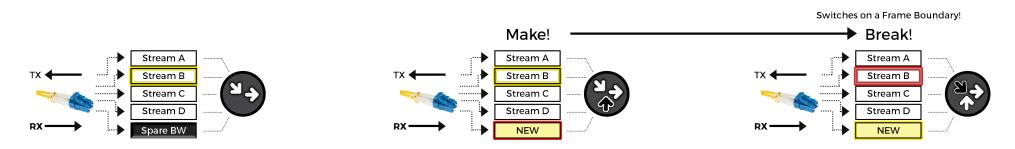
This method resembles the most traditional way of switching an SDI signal. Similar to that of an SDI core which utilized the routers crosspoint to perform the central clean switch function. The Centralised Core switch can only be performed by the dedicated IP Switching core like the IPX and EXE. The Multicast signals are all available to the IP fabric and centrally switched in time to their destination. This eliminates the need for double bandwidth as in the Make-Before-Break method and greatly simplifies the overall topology.





Make Before Break

This method allows for the edge device to perform the clean switch. However, unlike Centralized Core Switching performed on an Evertz EXE / IPX, Make Before Break requires the network architecture to support double the bandwidth for every concurrent destination source requiring a clean switch. Once the switch takes place the unused multicast can be left.



Break Before Make

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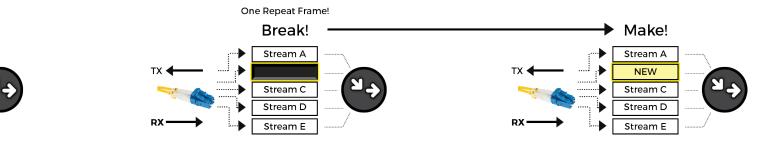
Stream A Stream B

Stream C

Stream D

Stream E

Unlike Make Before Break, this method does not require double the bandwidth but a clean switch can not be offered when the system or endpoint is configured in this mode.





Specialized IP Fabric vs COTS

Advantages of Specialized Fabric (EXE / IPX)

Fast Switching

The EXE/IPX are examples of an IP switch built for the application. While designed to support IP, regardless of the payload, both the EXE / IPX have been tuned specifically for use in demanding multicast environments. Both EXE/IPX are designed for ultra low latency packet processing and non-blocking. Both features offer unparalleled switching performance on either the EXE or IPX. The EXE and IPX both have the ability to switch hundreds of streams per second that is essential for large scale solutions found in today's broadcast facilities.

Native Clean Switching in the Fabric

Evertz EXE and IPX have been designed specifically for handling high bandwidth video/audio/metadata flows in the Broadcast and Media space. The unique feature of switching streams inside the switch fabric provides two benefits: VBI clean switching and efficient use of bandwidth on egress ports. This is detailed in the switching section of this guide.

True SDN approach by a single vendor

For reliable, robust, and discrete switching using a Software Defined Networking (SDN) approach is ideal. In the case of Evertz' solution, both the EXE and IPX are packet-switches designed with an external orchestration/controller (MAGNUM) in mind. The separation of the control and data planes at the beginning allows for design that optimizes performance and speed - both required in a live broadcast environment. This solution also offers a simplified support structure and offers a reliable proven solution including for upgrades and future software changes.

Advantages of COTS Fabrics

Leverage Existing Knowledge

The use of COTS will allow customers to leverage internal networking knowledge and experience in their internal IT departments. The existing experience on providing network support and familiarity with an existing fabric vendor could offer some resource and maintenance advantages.

Multi-vendor diversity

Under some circumstances, it may be beneficial to select a COTS fabric as to not be tied to one single vendor. This provides the customer diversity in vendors and products. It is important to note that selecting diversity across a large number of vendors the system complexity increases.

Potential Enterprise Costing

For many large media companies, the scale of their operations provide some advantages for purchasing. Using a COTS fabric may provide a cost advantage where the COTS fabrics used in broadcast facility may be part of a larger IT purchase. However, care must be taken as not all COTS switches are created equal and can be used in all applications.



Evertz Switches

EXE - Video Service Routing Platform

The EXE is a high capacity IP switch fabric that revolutionizes the facility router. With the ability to support 10GbE, 25GbE, and 100GbE ports, the EXE provides unmatched flexibility and scalability for uncompressed or compressed media streams over IP. The EXE employs an architecture that has been successful in the SDI world for years: separated line cards and redundant crosspoints. This architecture provides path-by-path redundancy (thus higher availability) that isn't typically found in the IP switches and routers from COTS vendors.

The EXE was also developed as an IP switch that requires MAGNUM as the SDVN Orchestration/Controller. MAGNUM provides full control, bandwidth management, and advanced telemetry of the media flows in the EXE.

Scalability

The EXE can support Uncompressed (12G/3G/HD/SD-SDI) and Compressed (using JPEG2000, JPEGXS, H.264, MPEG-2, and HEVC). The EXE is capable of supporting from 32,728 uncompressed HD/SD signals to over 10 million transport streams (MPEG-2).

I.O Flexibility

The EXE uses 64x25GbE port line cards to leverage the scalability of a modular approach. Allowing the EXE to easily scale from a 64x 25GbE port to a 2,048x 25GbE port switch. The EXE supports varying types of QSFP port interfaces, including 100GbE interfaces.





EXE Back Line Card View



3080IPX Series

The IPX product family is a high capacity modular IP switch fabric that fits into the EMX-FR and ev6-FR frames. The IPX is available in a number of different sizes that include 16, 32, 64 of 10GbE ports or 128 of 10/25/100GbE ports. The modular nature of the IPX makes it ideal for smaller/remote facilities, aggregation points, and distributed switching architectures.

Key Features

- Deterministic multicast routing based on the incoming port and VLAN tag
- Point-to-point and multi-point signal distribution/
 contribution inside the facility
- Operates over multiple network types (Dark Fiber, Ethernet, P/MPLS)
- Support for 1/10/25/100GbE ports and switching bandwidth up to 3.2Tb/s



IPX 10GbE Switches

3080IPX 16

16x 10GbE ports 600Gb/s fabric bandwidth



3080IPX 32 32x 10GbE ports 600Gb/s fabric bandwidth

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3080IPX 64 64x 10GbE ports 1.2Tb/s fabric bandwidth

3080IPX 128 128x 25/100GbE ports 3.2Tb/s fabric bandwidth



*Contact Evertz sales for an updated list of IPX switches



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Evertz SDVN solutions also support third party COTS switches as the core networking architecture. The Cisco Nexus switchs (listed below) are all capable of supporting your network in Monolithic, Dual Chassis, or Leaf & Spine configurations.

Cisco Nexus 9300 FX2 Series

Nexus 93216TC-FX2 96p 1/10GT + 12p 100G QSFP28



Nexus 93360YC-FX2 96p 25G SFP +12p 100G QSFP



Nexus 93240YC-FX2

48p 25G SFP +12p 100G QSFP



Cisco Nexus 9300 EX Series

Nexus 93108TC-EX 48p 1/10GT + 6p 100G QSFP28



Nexus 93108TC-FX 48p 1/10GT + 6p 100G QSFP28



Nexus 93180YC-FX 48p 25G + 6p 40G/100G QSFP28

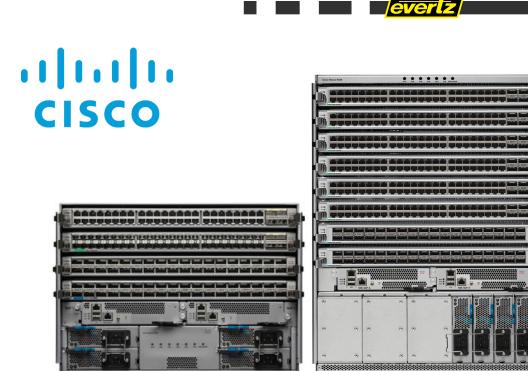


Nexus 9348GC-FXP 48p 100M/IGT + 4p 25G SFP+2 100G QSFP28



Nexus 93180YC-EX 48p 25G SFP+6p 40G/100G QSFP





Nexus 9504 4x Line Card capacity Enterprise Grade Modular Switch

Nexus 9508 8x Line Card capacity Enterprise Grade Modular Switch

Nexus 9500 Series System Performance

Model Number	Switching Capacity	Linecard Capacity	10 GbE Ports	25 GbE Ports	40 GbE Ports	100 GbE Ports	Rack Units
N9K-C9504	37.5 TB/s	4 x 7.2TB/s	576	576	144	144	7
N9K-C9508	75 TB/s	8 x 7.2TB/s	1,152	1,152	288	288	13

Video Signal Channel Capacity Based on SMPTE ST 2110 streams each with 16-Channel (25 Mb/s) audio data

Video Media		95	04		9508				
ST 2110	10 GbE	25 GbE	40 GbE	100 GbE	10 GbE	25 GbE	40 GbE	100 GbE	
31 2110	576	576	144	144	1,152	1,152	288	288	
HD (50fps)	4,608	11,520	4,608	11,520	9,216	23,040	9,216	23,040	
HD (59.94fps)	3,456	9,216	3,888	9,648	6,912	18,432	7,776	19,296	
3G (50fps)	2,304	5,760	2,304	5,760	4,608	11,520	4,608	11,520	
3G (59.94fps)	864	4,608	1,872	4,896	1,728	9,216	3,744	9,792	
4K UHD (50fps)	576	1,152	576	1,440	1,152	2,304	1,152	2,880	
4K UHD (59.94fps)	0	1,152	432	1,152	о	2,304	864	2,304	

Notes: (a). Each figure means number of channels "In" & "Out" (e.g., 9,216 means 9,216 TX and 9,216 RX (SDI equiv. 9216 x 9216)) (b). Assumes full bandwidth of switch with no contingency/additional capacity i.e. "break-before-make" switching. (c). Numbers based on switch using single format (i.e., all HD or all 3C or all UHD). Hence numbers are for guideline use only!



ARISTA



Arista 7500R Series combines high density 10/25/40 and 100GbE connectivity with low latency to create enterprise grade modular spine switches.

Arista 7500R Series System Performance

Model Number	Switching Capacity	Linecard Capacity	10 GbE Ports	25 GbE Ports	40 GbE Ports	100 GbE Ports	Rack Units
7504R	38 Tb/s	4 x 9.6 Tb/s	576	576	144	144	7
7508R	75 Tb/s	8 x 9.6 Tb/s	1,152	1,152	288	288	13
7512R	115 Tb/s	12 x 9.6 Tb/s	1,728	1,728	432	432	18

Video Signal Channel Capacity – Based on SMPTE ST 2110 streams each with 16-Channel (25 Mb/s) audio data

Video Media	7504R			7508R			7512R					
ST 2110	10 GbE	25 GbE	40 GbE	100 GbE	10 GbE	25 GbE	40 GbE	100 GbE	10 GbE	25 GbE	40 GbE	100 GbE
31 2110	576	576	144	144	1,152	1,152	288	288	1,728	1,728	432	432
HD (50fps)	4,608	11,520	4,608	11,520	9,216	23,040	9,216	23,040	13,824	34,560	13,824	34,560
HD (59.94fps)	3,456	9,216	3,888	9,648	6,912	18,432	7,776	19,296	10,368	27,648	11,664	28,944
3G (50fps)	2,304	5,760	2,304	5,760	4,608	11,520	4,608	11,520	6,912	17,280	6,912	17,280
3G (59.94fps)	1,728	4,608	1,872	4,896	3,456	9,216	3,744	9,792	5,184	13,824	5,616	14,688
4K UHD (50fps)	576	1,152	576	1,440	1,152	2,304	1,152	2,880	1,728	3,456	1,728	4,320
4K UHD (59.94fps)	о	1,152	432	1,152	0	2,304	864	2,304	о	3,456	1,296	3,456

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Edge Devices for an IP Network

Introduction

An Edge Device is any device (software- or hardware-based) that is connected to the network, but not considered part of the networking architecture (i.e. IP COTS switch and broadcast/network controller). The Edge Device is either considered a source, a destination, or both.

Evertz SDVN Edge Devices

Evertz SDVN has an extensive list of Edge Devices that can be used in an IP-based facility. Depending on the function of the edge device, various types of interfaces may be supported: 12/3G/HD-SDI, ASI, AES/MADI, and/or 10GbE/25GbE/100GbE. Each Evertz Edge Device has a main and backup Ethernet port (with support for ST 2022-7) for redundancy.

Evertz SDVN Edge Devices that are currently available are:

- Acquisition
- Gateways
- Multiviewers
- Processing
- Ingest / Playout
- Production





570IPG front & back view



670IPG front & back view



Acquisition/ Network Access

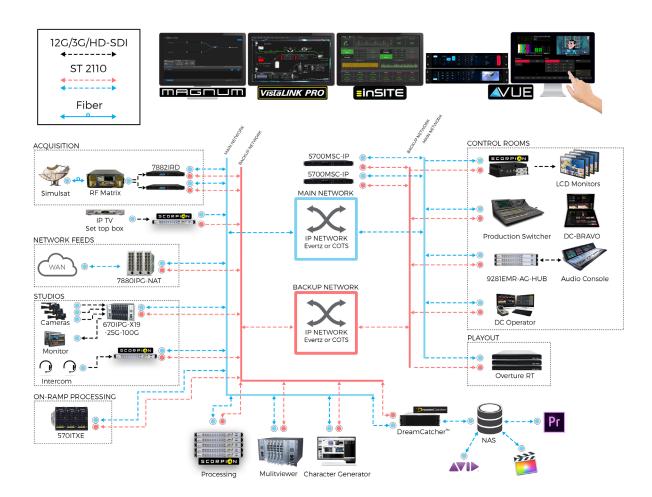
782IRD-S2X-10GE	Professional IRD with ST-2110 Output
7890MG-10GE	10GbE Network Media Gateway
570NAT-X19-10GE	Network Address Translator
570J2K-X19-HW	JPEG2000 Encoder/Decoder
570ITXE	Universal On-Ramp IP Gateway

Gateways

SCORPION series	Smart Media Processing Platform
570IPG-X19-HW	High Density SDI Media Gateway
670IPG-X19-HW	High Density SDI Media Gateway
570EMR-AG-HUB	Audio IP Gateway
570EMR-ADMX	Audio IP Mixer/Shuffler
9281EMR-AG-HUB	1RU Audio IP Gateway

Multiviewers

3067VIP10G-3G-HW	Advanced Multi-Image Display Processors with IOCbE Interface
3067VIP10G-J2K-HW	JPEG2000 Advanced Compact Multi-Image Display Processor
evMV-25G-2xQSFP	100GbE Multiviewer
ev670-X30-HW	evEDGE Virtual FPGA blade (with Multiviewer apps)
MVIP-II(-VM)	Virtualized IP Multiviewer







- SCORPION series Smart Media Processing Platform (with MIO-BLADE)
- evBLADE-5Z10 Modular evEDGE Blade
- ev670-X30-HW evEDGE Virtual FPGA blade

Contribution/Distribution

- 570J2K-X19-HW JPEG2000 Encoder/Decoder
- 570ENC-HW-X19 Multi-channel Encoder
- **570XPS** Accelerated Encoder
- **3482TXE-X19-A** High Density Hardware accelerated encoder (support for ST 2110)

Ingest/Playout/Production

DreamCatcher™ seriesDreamCather™ Record/Playout/
ReplayDreamCatcher™ BRAVODreamCatcher™ Collaborative
Production

Channel Playout

OvertureRT Linear Channel Playout with advanced graphics



SCORPION Smart Media Processing Platform

Third Party Edge Devices

For third-party edge devices, it is strongly recommended that the edge devices (as a minimum) support NMOS IS-04 and IS-05. These open specifications will allow the broadcast orchestrator/controller (e.g. MAGNUM) to discovery and register (IS-04) the device as a transmitter (TX) and/or receiver (RX) connected on to the network. The broadcast orchestrator/controller will use NMOS IS-05 to connect media streams/flows from TX devices to RX devices.

Custom device APIs may be used to provide additional controls for the third-party device. Evertz has an extensive list of devices that MAGNUM can control via APIs. Other devices may be added with additional driver development.



NETWORK CONNECTIONS AND CABLES

Introduction

The network connection and cables for an IP broadcast facility are also commonly found in Local Area Network (LAN) and Wide Area Network (WAN) applications. This section is a broad overview for the various choices that can be used for 10GbE, 25GbE, 40GbE, and 100GbE connections.

It should be noted that a few factors need to be considered when choosing between copper and fiber connectivity.

The key factors are:

- Link distances
- Limitations on link capacities
- Electromagnetic interference

Copper Connectivity

An all "copper" LAN with 10 GbE backbone can be implemented using CAT6 or CAT6A cabling with RJ45 connectors.

IEEE 802.3an specifies the minimum reach distances for "Twisted-pair" CAT6 and CAT6A cables using RJ45 connectors. These are 30-40m (98-168 ft.) and 100m (328 ft.) respectively.



RJ45 Connector



1/10 GbE IP Switch



RJ45 SFP Module



Fiber Connectivity

An all "fiber" LAN with 10/25/40/100GbE backbone can be implemented using singlemode or multimode fiber optic cabling with most commonly LC/MTP connectors.



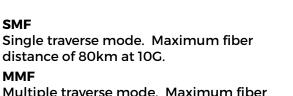
In the broadcast and media networking industry there are two main cables used for 10GbE, 25GbE, 40GbE, and 100GbE systems. These cables are:

Single Mode (SMF) & Multimode (MMF) Fiber Cable

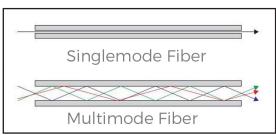
SMF

MMF

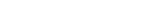
The topic of fiber optic cabling is complex, a vast amount of information can be found from online resources. In this document we will touch on the basics of fiber optic cabling. Our first step is to understand the differences between Single Mode Fiber (SMF) and Multimode Fiber (MMF). SMF has a smaller fiber core diameter, typically 8 to 10.5 um compared to 50 or 62.5 um in MMF. SMF allows for only a single traverse mode to propagate through the fiber, whereas MMF fiber allows for multiple traverse modes to propagate. In MMF, higher bandwidths are achieved using multiple traverse paths, but modal dispersion becomes a factor in limiting the max fiber distance to several hundred meters at 10G. Applications where MMF can be used are more cost effective than SMF as the optical sources, detectors, and fiber cables of MMF cost less compared to its SMF counterparts. When designing fiber systems, factors like: fiber distance, fiber loss, in-line optical devices, and patch losses should be considered to determine which type of fiber should be specified.



Multiple traverse mode. Maximum fiber distance of 300m at 10G.



Network Connections Figure 1



Fiber Connectivity

LC to LC Duplex MMF or SMF cable

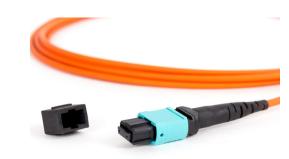
Commonly used as short or long-distance patch cables, LC Duplex provides a TX and RX path to accommodate ethernet at any speed. These network devices are most likely connected through the extensive use of SFP, SFP+, SFP28 and QSFP-WDM pluggable devices. SFP/QSFP's are the interfacing (Small form factor) components that connect fiber to devices.

MPO/MTP Multicore MMF or SMF

When using QSFP Devices for short-range high-density TX/RX the ideal cable is MPO/MTP multicore MMF or SMF. These connectors can accommodate 2-72 unique connections in one connector ferrule. The designated MTP sizes for QSFP use are MTP-12 and MTP-24 (12 pair & 24 pair). Multifiber-Push-On (MPO) is a multifiber connector that is defined by IEC-61754-7. MTP is a trademark of US Conec, and is fully compliant with the MPO standard.

MPO to LC Breakout cable

A common fiber optic cable used within interconnects is the MTP to LC Breakout cable. Used when one MTP QSFP is sending/recieving signals from multiple LC duplex devices. The cables are bi-directional, and come in a variety of configurations and lengths.









Small Form-Factor Pluggable (SFP)

SFP's are available in a number of different categories / varieties. Although, SFPs may appear to be complicated, the essence behind them is simple. SFP's are used to connect a network device (IP switch/router, or edge device) to a fiber or copper networking cable. The SFP transceivers are typically fitted with a variety of transmitter/receiver options that suit various applications. The modularity of the SFP also allows for simple replacements if they should fail.

Here is a list of SFP'S and the most common applications:

SFP (1Gb/s)

There are a number of applications for SFP's running at this bandwidth. The most common would be to connect the control/monitoring service to the network.

SFP+ (10Gb/s)

The SFP+ is a common part of Broadcast media IP networks, they are a flexible density solution for networks of any scale. 10GbE SFP+ can also be categorized into speeds. Short Range (SR) up to 300m/ 984ft on MMF, Long Range(LR) up to 10km/ 6.2mi on SMF, Extended Range (ER) up to 40km/ 24.8mi

SFP28 (25Gb/s)

The SFP28 is most commonly used for uncompressed UHD/12Gbps video and with 25/100GbE network switches. The SFP28 provides 25Gb/s bandwidth + error correction.





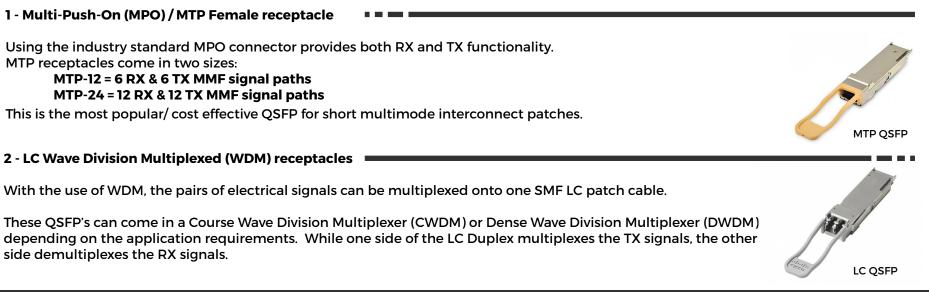




Quad Small Form-Factor Pluggable (QSFP)

QSFP's are exactly as described in the name. Four SFP modules combined into one single pluggable device. This means that one QSFP has four pairs of transmitters and receivers to ingest and distribute four (4) times the amount of data as one standard SFP.

The QSFP are most commonly available in two standard forms:



QSFP Configuring 40 GbE & 100 GbE to 4x 10 GbE & 25 GbE

IP switch ports (40 GbE and 100 GbE) can be configured two ways - Normal Mode and Alternative Mode. In either deployment, the IP switch line card delivers data to a QSFP for both TX and RX using four streams of either 10 Gb/s or 25 Gb/s.

Normal Mode: The switch/firmware determines how to disperse the data (either 40Gb/s or 100Gb/s) across all four streams in order to reduce latency and deliver the data to the client/edge device's ports (either 40 GbE or 100 GbE) most efficiently. Alternative Mode: The switch/firmware is configured to deliver one of four unique streams of data (either 10Gb/s or 25 Gb/s) to one of four independent ports (either 10 GbE or 25GbE) on the edge device or client device.

References: 100 GbE Information https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/100_Gigabit_Ethernet Small Form-factor Pluggable Transceiver https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Small_form-factor_pluggable_transceiver

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Appendix



AMWA (Advanced Media Workflow Association)

The Advanced Media Workflow Association exists to help media businesses to improve efficiencies, increase agility and drive down costs. Its worldwide membership comprises electronic media companies, their suppliers plus individual technology specialists and developers. As a partner in the Joint Task Force on Networked Media, AMWA's work complements that of the other members, the European Broadcasting Union (EBU), the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers (SMPTE) and the Video Services Forum (VSF).

More information: https://www.amwa.tv/



NMOS (Networked Media Open Specifications)

The Networked Media Open Specifications (NMOS) have been developed for use in IP-based infrastructures to provide a control and management layer in addition to the transport layer provided by SMPTE ST2110. The goal is to provide a means for straightforward interoperability between products from a wide range of manufacturers, in order that end users and service providers can build best-of-breed systems.

More information: https://www.amwa.tv/nmos





AMWA NMOS (IS-04 / 05 / 06 / 07 / 08 / 09 / 10)

These are Interface Specification (IS) identifiers assigned to the NMOS specs. Specifications are formally given an IS number once they reach Specification status. Other supporting specifications may have different numbering, such as "BCP", for Best Current Practice.

IS-04: Discovery

AMWA NMOS IS-04 consists of three API specifications which provide the means to discover Nodes and their associated resources related to the processing of video, audio or other data. IS-04 systems are intended to enable 'zero-configuration' deployments, reducing the necessity to spend time manually configuring equipment before it is used.

(Version 1.3 - Published & Stable) More information: https://github.com/AMWA-TV/nmos/wiki/IS-04

IS-05: Connection Management

AMWA NMOS IS-05 is an API presented by Devices, and provides the means to create a connection between Senders and Receivers on the Devices on which it is running. This provides an inter-operable mechanism for routing media around an IP production network, taking on the role that would have previously been served by router control protocols.

(Version 1.1 - Published & Stable) More information: https://github.com/AMWA-TV/nmos/wiki/IS-05

IS-06: Network Control

AMWA NMOS IS-06 is an API presented by network controllers in order to permit control of the network by broadcast controllers. The broadcast controller is the overall policy control point for all media endpoints and sessions. The network controller abstracts the details of the network from the broadcast controller and provides an API for all required network services.

IS-06 provides the capability to register media endpoints and to discover the topology of the network which connects them together, including network switches and their interconnects. The API then provides the means to authorize network flows to pass between sets of endpoints, with defined bandwidth reservations and QoS requirements.

(Version 1.0 - Published) More information: https://github.com/AMWA-TV/nmos/wiki/IS-06

IS-07: Event & Tally

AMWA NMOS IS-07 provides a mechanism by which to emit and consume states and state changes issued by sources (sensors, actuators etc). The specification consists of definitions of permitted event types, permitted transport types and an API definition used to read type definitions and latest event states.

(Version 1.0 - Published) More information: https://github.com/AMWA-TV/nmos/wiki/IS-07







• IS-08: Channel Mapping

AMWA NMOS IS-08 provides the means to re-map audio channels via an HTTP accessible API. This can take place on a sending device, where the resulting re-mapped audio may be sent out over the network, or a receiving device, where audio received from the network may be re-mapped prior to consumption.

(Version 1.0 - Published) More information: https://github.com/AMWA-TV/nmos/wiki/IS-08

IS-09: System

AMWA NMOS IS-09 is due to be the output of a work in progress activity. This will define a 'System API' providing Media Nodes with access to configuration parameters when they first boot.

(Version 1.0 - Published) More information: https://github.com/AMWA-TV/nmos/wiki/IS-09

IS-10: Authorization

AMWA NMOS IS-10 is due to be the output of a work in progress activity. This will define an 'Authorization API' which accompanies the BCP-003-02 specification to restrict what users are authorized to change in an NMOS system. (Version 1.0 - Published) More information: https://github.com/AMWA-TV/nmos/wiki/IS-10

• BCP-003

AMWA BCP-003 is a family of best practice recommendations relating to securing NMOS APIs. BCP-003-01 references the use transport layer security (TLS) in order to encrypt communications between API servers and their clients. BCP-003-02 (Work In Progress) covers client authorization for the NMOS APIs. More information: https://amwa-ty.github.io/nmos-api-security/best-practice-secure-comms.html

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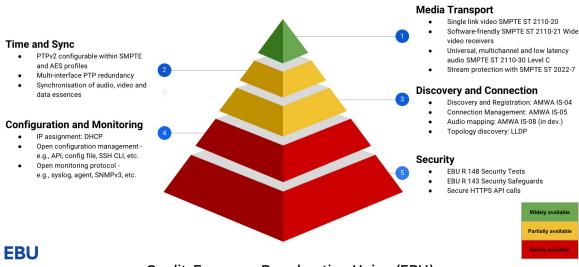




The Media Node Pyramid The Minimum Stack of endpoint technologies to build and manage an IP-based media facility

JT-NM (Joint Task Force on Networked Media)

The JT-NM (Joint Taskforce on Networked Media) is a self-coordinating group of industry bodies (AMWA, EBU, SMPTE, VSF) working together on the development of IP technologies, including standards and specifications from different organizations, for professional media systems. Each of the standards and specifications involved is conceived and developed to serve multiple use-cases across multiple industries; many are extremely flexible in nature. For the purposes of engineering, constructing and maintaining professional media facility infrastructures the industry requires the ability to easily integrate equipment from multiple vendors into a coherent system.



Credit: European Broadcasting Union (EBU)

TR-1001-1

System Environment and Device Behaviors for ST 2110 Media Nodes in Engineered Networks - Networks, Registration, and Connection Management

• The goal of this standard is to enable the creation of network environments where an end-user can take delivery of new equipment (compliant to this standard), connect it to their network, and configure it for use, with a minimum amount of human interaction.

(Version 1.0 - Published Nov. 29, 2018)

More information: http://it-nm.org/documents/JT-NM TR-1001-1:2018 v1.0.pdf