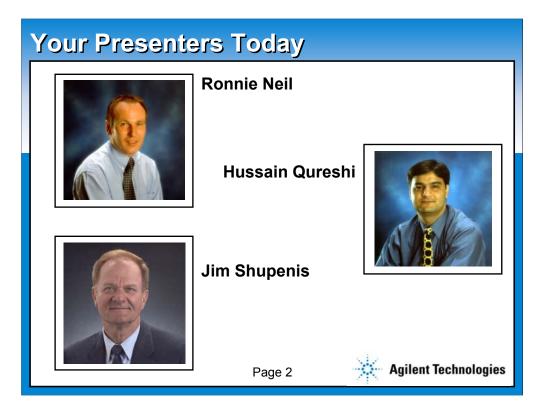


Data Over SONET/SDH (DoS) Technologies - Standards, <u>Structures & Design.</u>

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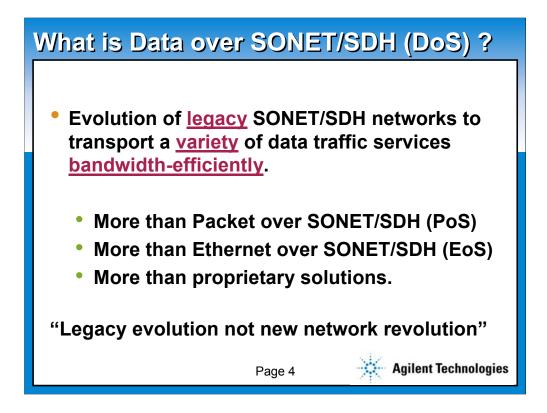
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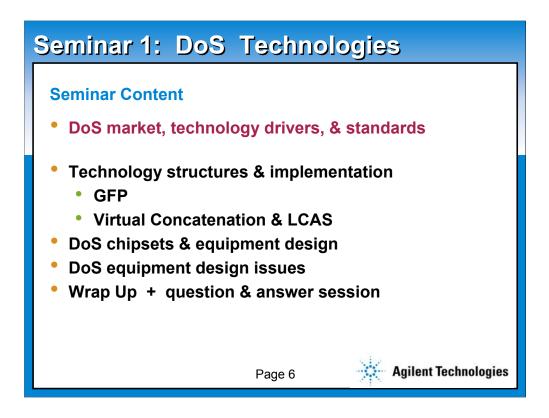
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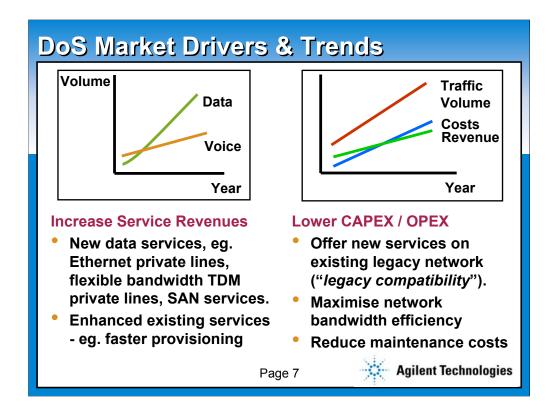
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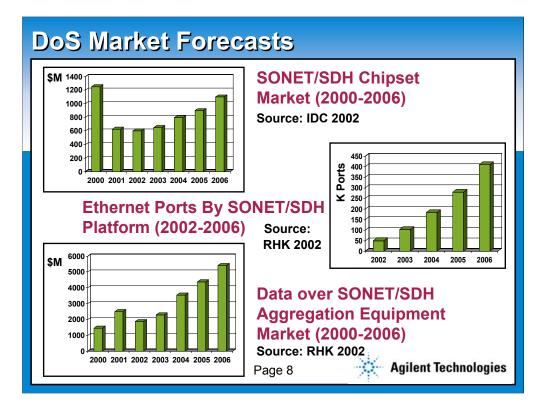
• VC	Virtual Concatenation - optimum (bandwidth) sized pipe
• LCAS	Link Capacity Adjustment Scheme - dynamic pipe sizing on demand
• GFP	Generic Framing Procedure standardized encapsulation for multiple services over SONET or SDH
• LAPS	Link Access Procedure for SDH - standardized encapsulation for Ethernet service over SDH
	erences to Packet over SONET/SDH (PoS) and nals such as Ethernet, GbE & Fibre Channel.
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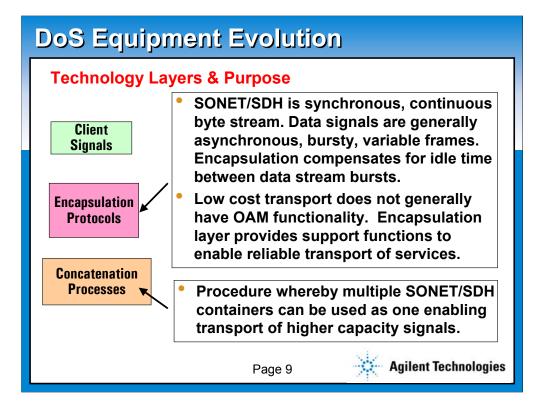
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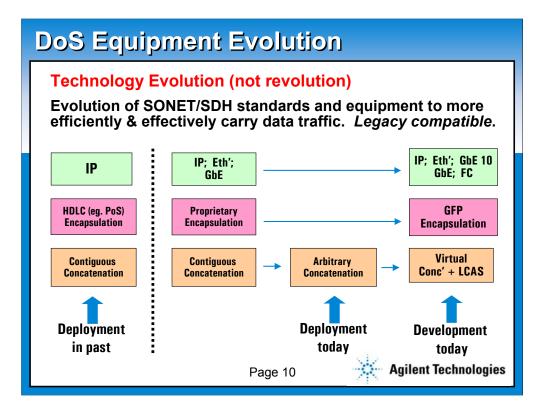
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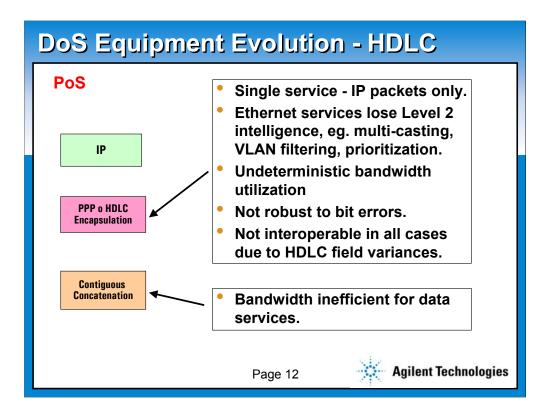


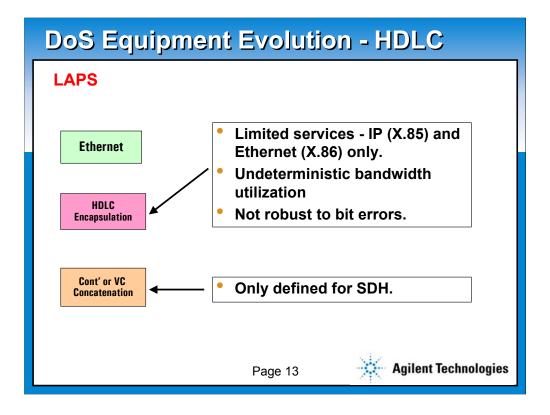




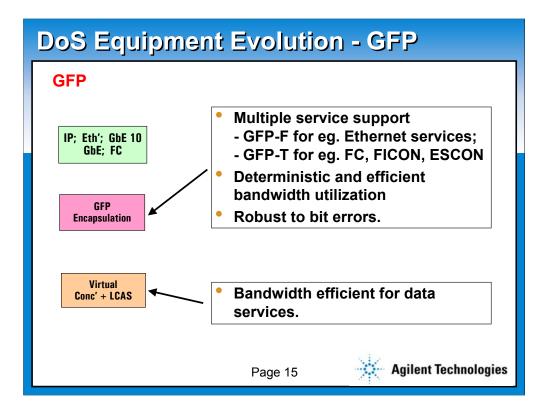


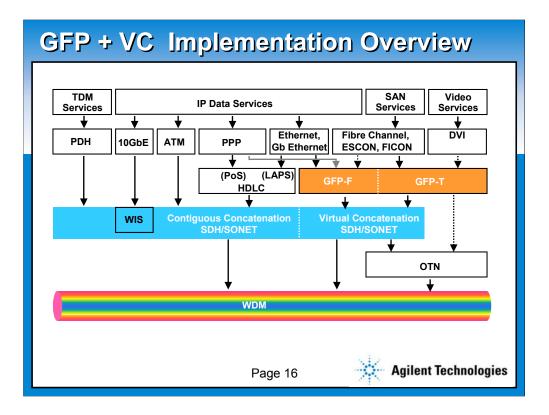
DoS Equipment Evolution - HDLC										
bits 8 8 8/16 16/ 32 8										
HDLC Frame	Flag	Address	ل میلیسا		Data	FCS	Flag			
PPP in HDLC Frame (PoS)	Flag	Address	Control	Protocol	Data	FCS	Flag			
PPP in HDLC Frame (PoS)	0×7E	0×FF	0×03	0×0021	Data	FCS	0×7E			
<mark>Cisco HDLC Frame</mark> (PoS)	0×7E	0×0F	0×00	0×0800	Data	FCS	0×7E			
Ethernet over SDH using LAPS (X.86)	0x7E	0x04	0×03	0xFE	Data	FCS	0×7E			
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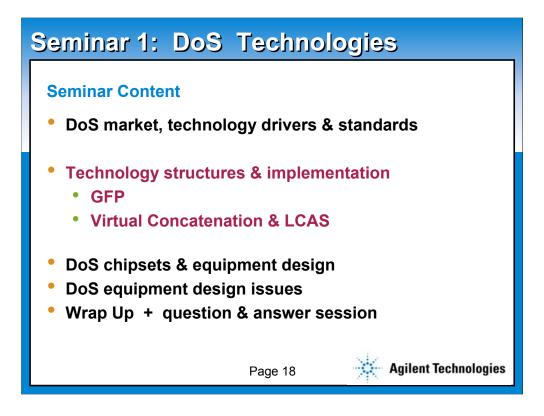


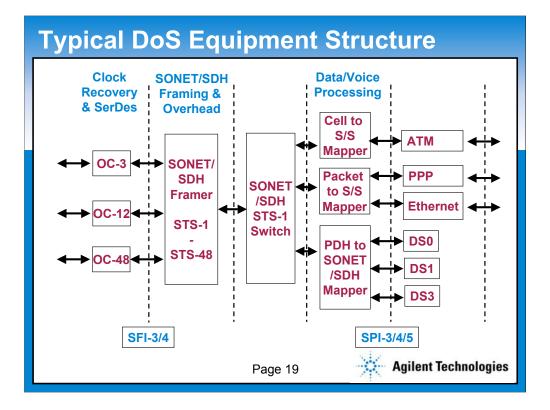
LAPS Fran	ning Structure
Flag	Flag: All frames start and end with a flag. Start flag (ie. Opening Flag) has value 01111110 (Hex).
Address	Address: The address field has the constant value of 0x04 (Hex).
Control	Control: The control field consists of sequence 0x03 (Hex), which is again a constant value
SAPI	SAPI: Identifies the payload type, for example, Ethernet has the SAPI value 0xfe01 (Hex).
Data	Data: IP or Ethernet packet content.
FCS	FCS: CRC calculation result is placed in this Frame Check Sequence field
Flag	Page 14 Agilent Technologies

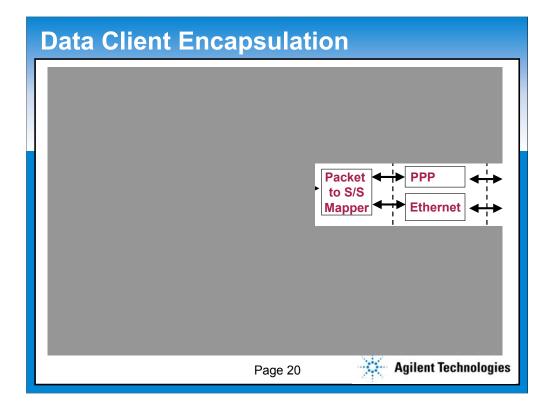


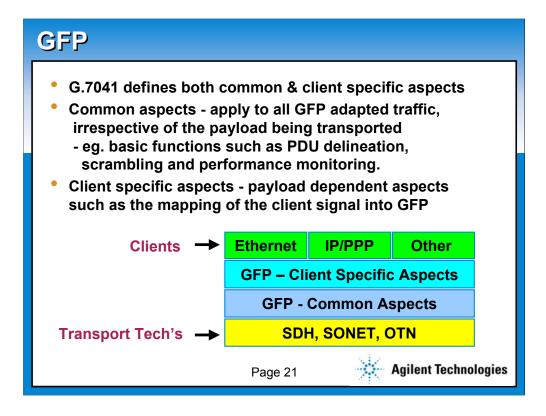


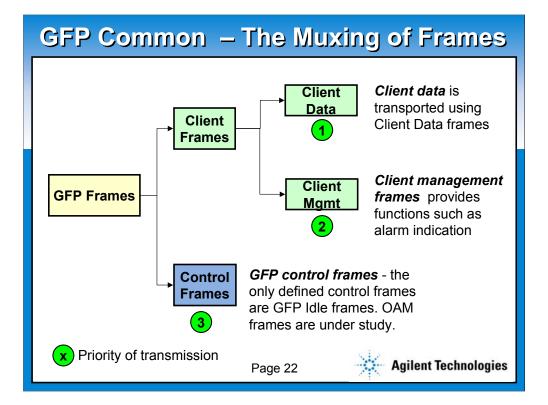
DoS Technology Standards GFP & LAPS Encapsulations Existing (Fully Ratified) • ITU-T G.7041/Y.1303 (Dec 2001) GFP (Framed & Transparent) • ITU-T X.85/Y.1321 (Mar 2001) LAPS (IP over SDH) • ITU-T X.86/ (Feb 2001) LAPS (Ethernet over SDH) Virtual Concatenation & LCAS **Existing (Fully Ratified)** • ITU-T G.707/Y.1322 (Sep 2002) SDH VC ITU-T G.7042/Y.1305 (Nov 2001) LCAS • ANSI T1.105a-2002 (2002) SONET VC & LCAS Agilent Technologies Page 17

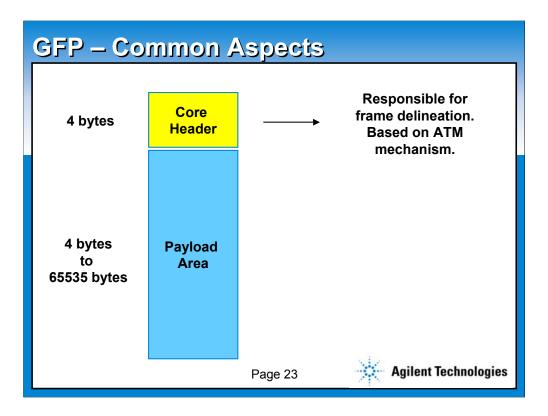




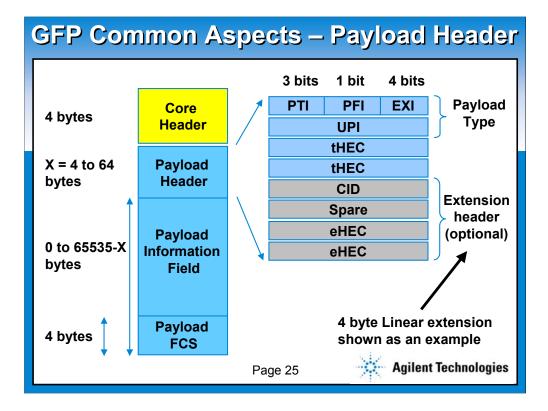






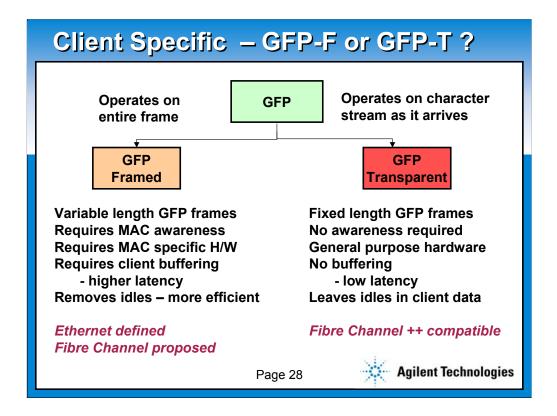


G	FP Com	mon As	pects - (Core Header
			PLI	
	Core Header	4 bytes	PLI cHEC	
	Payload Area	cHEC	2 bytes field of t in the GFP Paylo Core Header Err 2 bytes containi	or Control field. ng CRC-16 error bit error corrections
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	3 bits	1 bit	4 bits	 PTI – Payload Type Identifier specifies client data or management frame PFI – Payload FCS Identifier indicates presence (1) or absence (0) of payload FCS 			
	PTI	PFI	EXI	EXI – Extension Header Identifier indicates			
				NULL, Linear or Ring extension			
		UPI		User Payload Identifier set according			
				to client signal			
		tHEC		\int 2 byte Type HEC for single error			
		tHEC		correction over Type			
		CID		Optional Channel ID (Linear extension)			
		Spare					
		eHEC		\int Extension HEC for single error			
		eHEC		Correction			
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GFP Frame			PLI			
The complete GFP frame.	Core Header		PLI cHEC cHEC			
Used for both GFP-Framed & GFP-Transparent modes of operation. (GFP-F and GFP-T respectively).	Payload Header	PTI	PFI UPI tHEC tHEC CID Spare eHEC eHEC	EXI		
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GFP supports both point-to-point and ring applications.

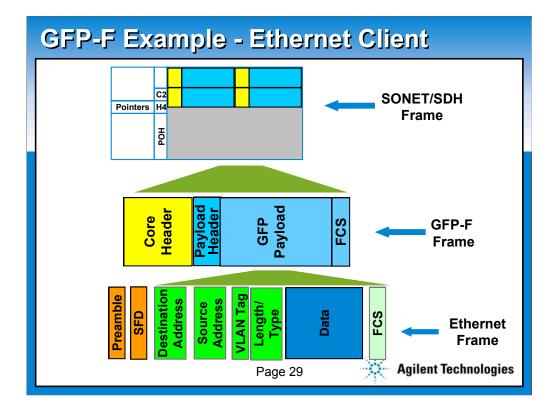
Currently two modes of GFP encapsulation are defined which are

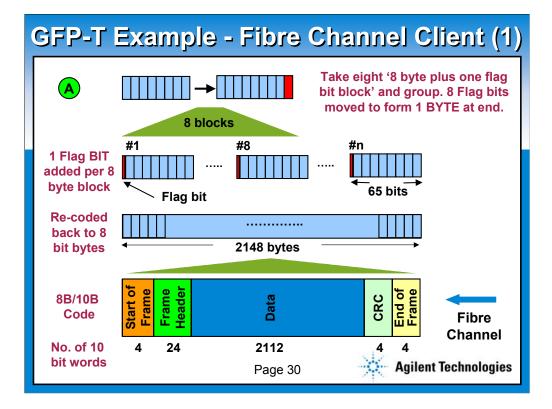
1- Frame-Mapped GFP (GFP-F) and

2- Transparent GFP (GFP-T)

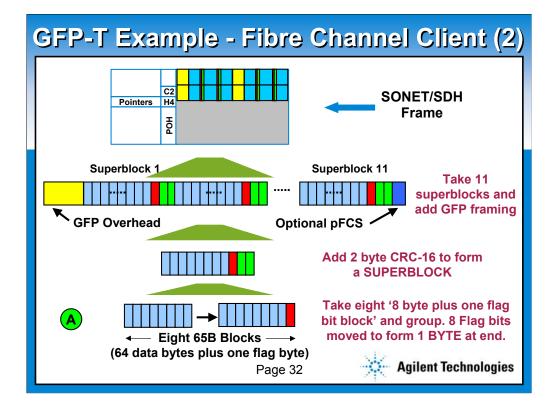
Frame-Mapped GFP maps a client frame in its entirety into one GFP frame or we can also say that a single client frame is mapped into a single GFP frame. For example an Ethernet Frame mapped into a GFP Frame.

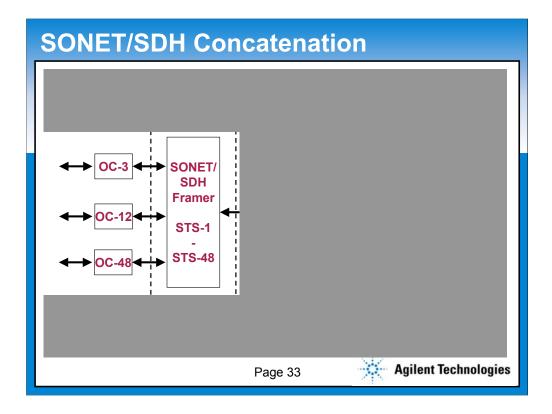
Transparent GFP is intended to facilitate the transport of block coded client signals like Fiber Channel, ESCON, FICON or even Gigabit Ethernet. The individual characters of a client signal are de-mapped from the client signal and then mapped into fixed length GFP frames. This process avoids buffering of an entire client frame for further processing into a GFP frame.

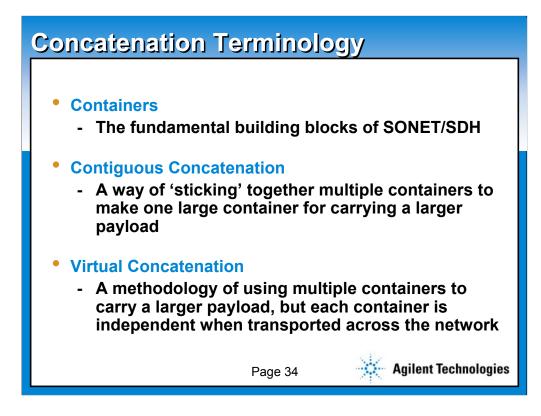


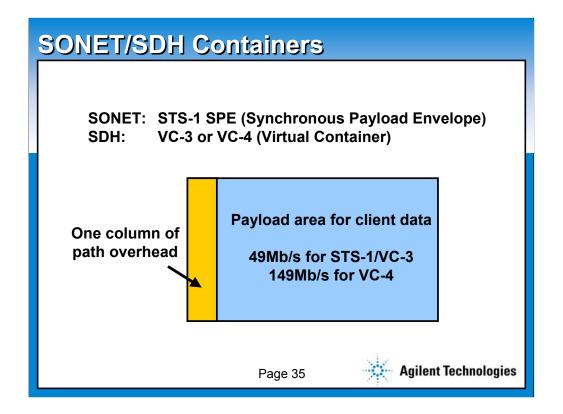


GFP-T Block										
65 bits ←→										
Client Input				64	-Bit (8-0	lctet) Fie	ld			
All Dat	a O	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8	
7 data 1 contr		0 aaa C1	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	
6 data 2 contr		1 aaa C1	0 bbb C2	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	
5 data 3 contr		1 aaa C1	1 bbb C2	0 ccc C3	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	
4 data 4 contr		1 aaa C1	1 bbb C2	1 ccc C3	0 ddd C4	D1	D2	D3	D4	
3 data 5 contr	ol	1 aaa C1	1 bbb C2	1 ccc C3	1 ddd C4	0 eee C5	D1	D2	D3	
2 data 6 contr		1 aaa C1	1 bbb C2	1 ccc C3	1 ddd C4	1 eee C5	0 fff C6	D1	D2	
1 data 7 contr		1 aaa C1	1 bbb C2	1 ccc C3	1 ddd C4	1 eee C5	1 fff C6	0 ggg C7	D1	
8 contr	ol 1	1 aaa C1	1 bbb C2	1 ccc C3	1 ddd C4	1 eee C5	1 fff C6	1 ggg C7	0 hhh C8	
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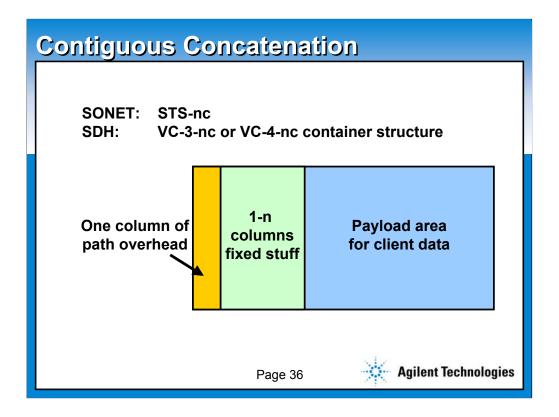




Containers are the fundamental building blocks for virtual concatenation. This is the container structure for an STS-1 or VC-3.

One column of path overhead which is used to manage the container from transmitter to receiver, the path end points, and a payload area used to carry the client data.

One STS-1 or VC-3 has approximately 49Mb/s of bandwidth for client data.

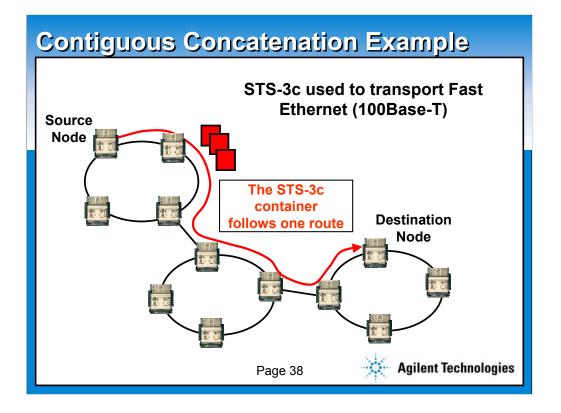


Contiguous concatenation already exists in many parts of the network and this diagram illustrates the structure of a container using contiguous concatenation.

If this were an STS-3c, we would have 1 column of path overhead, 2 columns of fixed stuff bytes and a payload area three times the size of a single STS-1.

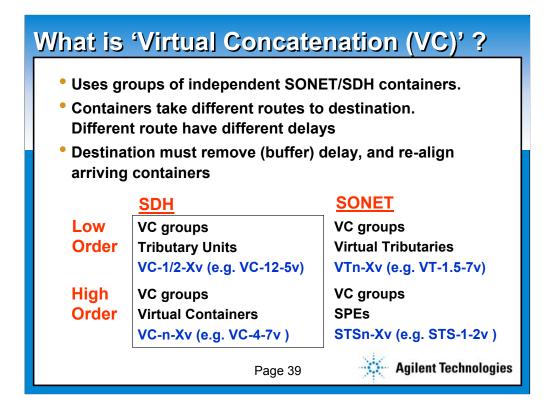
This size of container provides approximately 147 Mb/s of bandwidth for client data and is typically used to transport fast Ethernet signals of 100 Mb/s.

Contiguous Concatenation One payload travels one way through network • Each element must recognize contiguous structure Payload sizes not efficient for data payloads ... Service Efficiency Data Rate Contiguous Concatenation SONET SDH 20% Ethernet 10Mb/s STS-1 VC-3 ATM 25Mb/s STS-1 VC-3 50% Fast Ethernet VC-4 67% 100Mb/s STS-3c Fiber Channel 200Mb/s STS-12c VC-4-4c 33% Gbit Ethernet 1000Mb/s STS-48c VC-4-16c 42% A STS-1/VC-4 has 149Mb/s of capacity Agilent Technologies Page 37



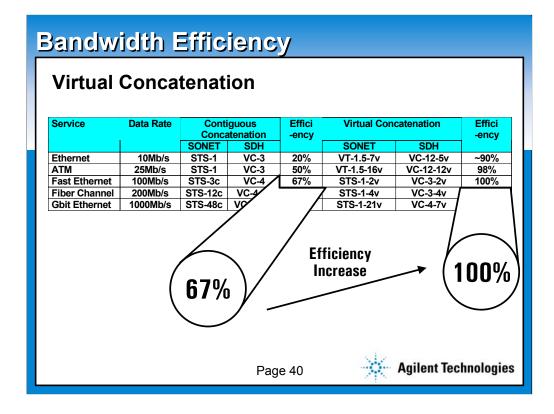
As the STS-3c is transported across the network, all the containers follow the same route, and all of the network equipment must be compatible with the STS-3c container structure.

Let's now look in more detail at virtual concatenation...



For any network equipment in the transit path that does NOT support virtual concatenation, this causes no problem whatsoever as the container is passed through transparently with no processing of the path overhead. This is a significant point when considering a migration to Virtual concatenation since only the path end points need to be Vcat 'aware'.

A major benefit of allowing the containers to follow different routes, it is easier to utilize 'stranded' bandwidth. However, the downside of this is the need to buffer data at the receiver to re-align the incoming data.

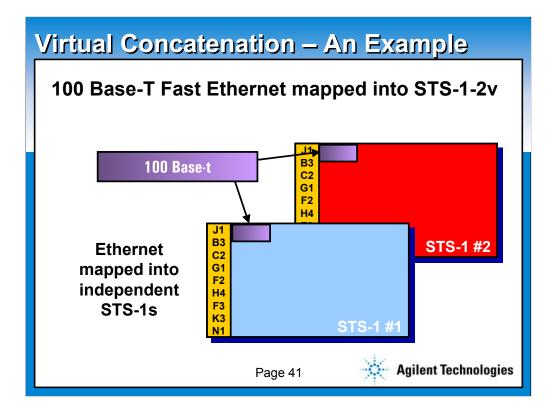


This table shows the improvements in bandwidth efficiency that can be made by using virtual concatenation instead of contiguous concatenation.

I mentioned that an STS-3c is often used to transport 100 Mb/s fast Ethernet services. This results in a bandwidth efficiency of 67%.

By using virtual concatenation, we can use 2 STS-1s to carry the same service and the bandwidth efficiency rockets to 100%!

Even larger efficiency improvements can be made with other data services.



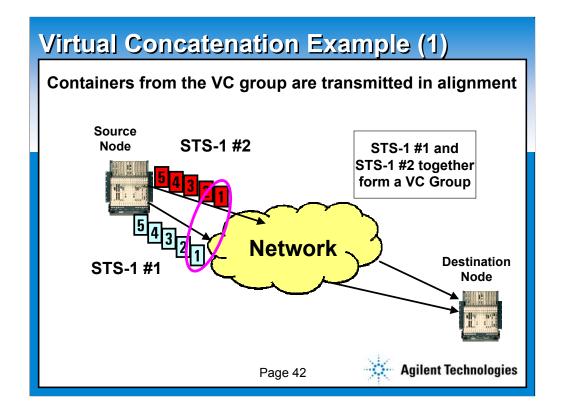
Let's look at an example of transporting a 100 Base-t, fast Ethernet service using virtual concatenation.

Two STS-1s are generally sufficient to provide enough client bandwidth to carry a 100 Base-t data stream. This is a virtual container group of size 2, and the correct term for this is an STS-1-2v.

The two STS-1s are numbered STS-1 number 1 and STS-1 number 2.

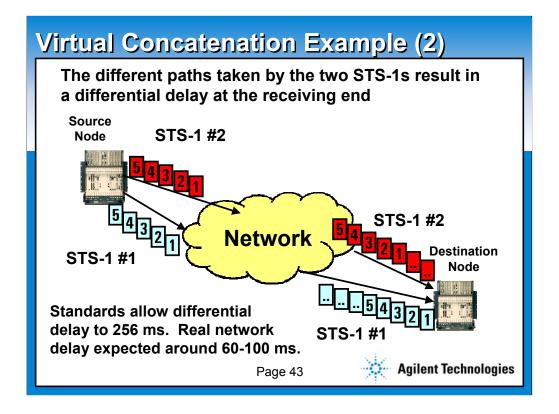
Each virtual container is filled a byte at a time, and the containers transmitted simultaneously on two different ports of a network element.

Note that in this diagram STS-1 number one is colored pale blue and STS-1 number 2 is colored red.



The pale blue boxes represent the SONET frames carrying the containers for STS-1 number 1 while the red boxes represent the SONET frames carrying the containers for STS-1 number 2.

You should note that the numbers in the boxes signify that frames with the same number on the different paths are transmitted at the same time. So, frame 1 of STS-1 number 1 is transmitted at the same time as frame 1 of STS-1 number 2 and so on.



The two STS-1s in our virtually concatenated signal have taken different routes through the network and you will see that at the destination node, frame 1 of STS-1 number 1 arrives 2 frames sooner than frame 1 of STS-1 number 2.

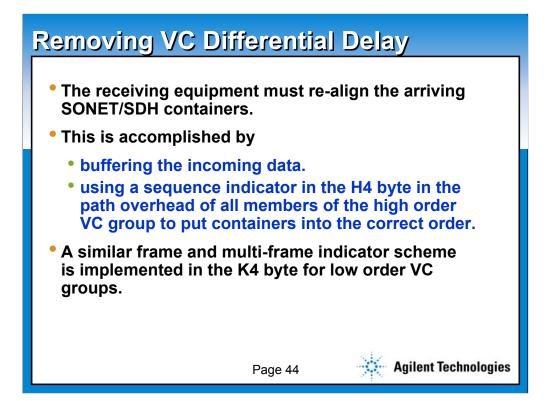
In order for the network element to correctly re-create the original 100 Base-t data stream, it needs to buffer Frame 1 of STS-1 number 1 until frame 1 of STS-1 number 2 arrives. When this happens, the original signal can be re-created and the process continues so long as data is sent across the network.

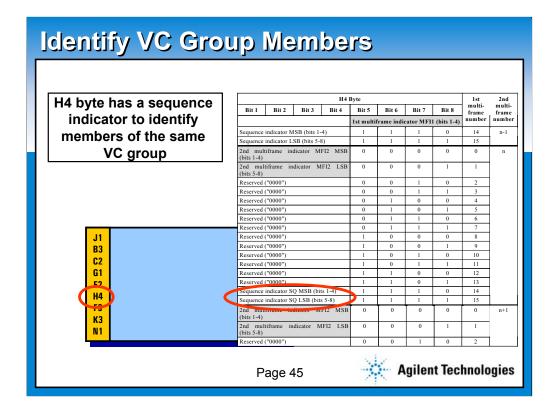
From this example, it can be seen that there are two key things that need to be achieved.

Firstly, the receiving equipment needs some method of re-aligning the containers arriving on the different paths.

Secondly, some storage area, or buffer memory, is required to compensate for the differential delay between the two paths.

It can also be seen that as the delay, or the number of members of the Vcat group increases, more data needs to be stored. It is likely that the buffer memory size in real equipment will result in some trade-off between delay compensation and Vcat group size.

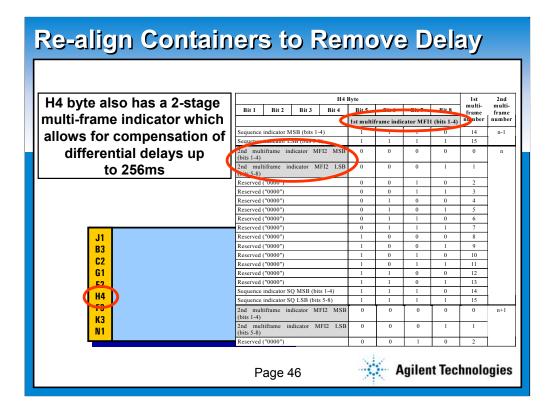




How virtual concatenation is implemented in SONET and SDH is by using a special sequence in the H4 byte of the path overhead. This is used by all containers that are a member of a Vcat group. The table shown here is taken directly from the ITU-T standard.

Part of the information contained in the H4 byte is a sequence indicator. This is used to identify members of the Vcat group and is circled in RED on the table in front of you.

In our previous example, ALL containers sent on the path STS-1 number one would have the value of 0, and all the containers sent on the path STS-1 number 2 would have the value 1.



With the Vcat group members identified, the next step is to re-align the incoming frames. This is accomplished using a 2 stage multiframe indicator, which is highlighted in RED on the table. This is effectively a counter running continuously from 0 to 4095 in the H4 byte.

The multiframe runs across 4,096 SONET or SDH frames, thus taking 512 ms for one complete cycle. This cycle is enough to compensate for differential delay up to 256ms.

Again using our previous example, the receiving equipment would see a 2 frame offset between the multiframe indicator values running in STS-1 number 1 and STS-1 number 2. This is all the information required to tell the network equipment what needs to be buffered in order to re-construct the original client data.

Contiguous vs Virtual Concatenation

<u>Contiguous</u>

- Poor granularity of container size
- Container travels along same path
- Requires all elements in path to understand concatenation indication
- Independent of network management system
- No differential delay

<u>Virtual</u>

- Flexible granularity (high order and low order)
- Individual containers can take separate paths
- Only the end elements need understand the concatenation arrangement
- Requires control from the network management system
- Individual containers may experience differential delay

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Link Capacity Adjustment Scheme

Requirement

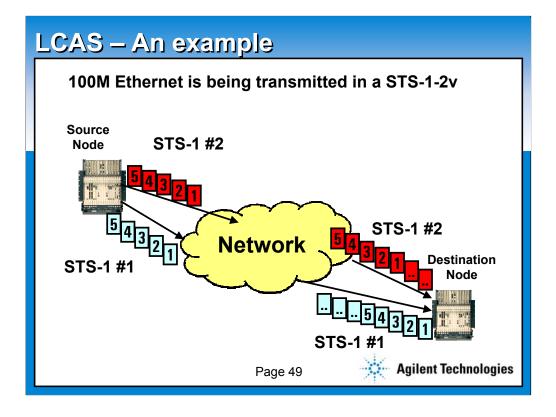
- Allows containers to be added/removed from a group as the data bandwidth requirement changes
- Also provides ability to remove links that have failed
- Addition and removal of containers must be hitless

Operation

- A control packet is used to configure the path between source and destination
- The control packet is transmitted in the H4 byte for high order and K4 byte for low order virtual concatenation
- The control packet describes the link status during the next control packet
- Changes are sent in advance so the receiver can switch as soon as the new configuration arrives

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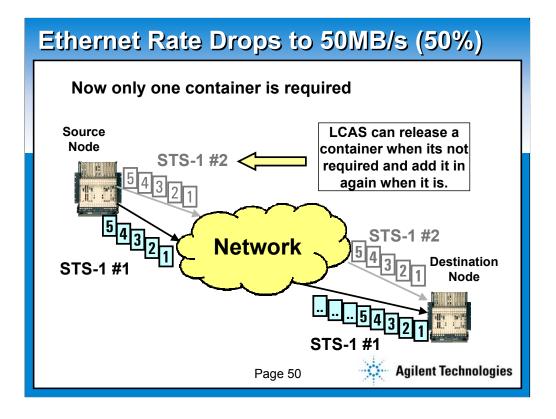


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From this example, it can be seen that the receiving equipment need some method of re-aligning the incoming containers, and storing containers for re-alignment.

It can also be seen that as the delay increases, or the number of members of the Vcat group increases, the larger the buffer memory required to compensate for the differential delay.



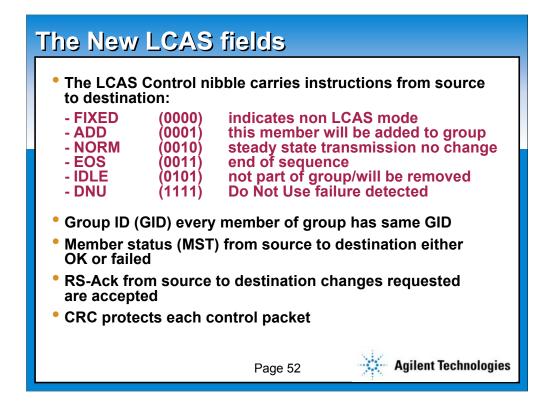
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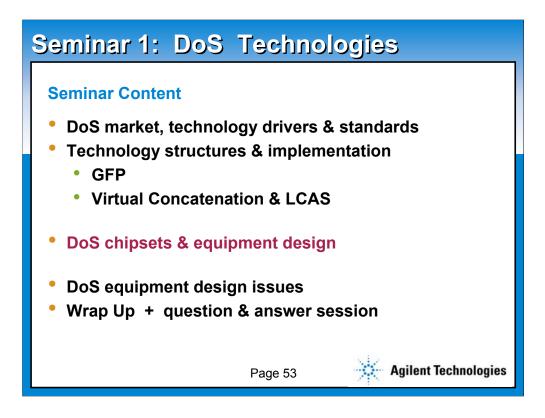
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	H4	Bvte				1 st multi-	2 nd multi-
	Bit 1 Bit 2 Bit 3 Bit 4	Bit 5	Bit 6	Bit 7	Bit 8	frame	frame
		1st	multi-frame in	dicator (bits 1	-4)	number	number
	Sequence indicator MSB (bits 1-4)	1	1	1	0	14	n-1
	Sequence indicator LSB (bits 5-8)	1	1	1	1	15	
	2 nd multi-frame indicator MSB (bits 1-4)	0	0	0	0	0	
	2 nd multi-frame indicator LSB (bits 5-8)	0	0	0	1	1	
	CTRL	0	0	1	0	2	1
	GID ("000x")	0	0	1	1	3	1
	Reserved ("0000")	0	1	0	0	4	1
	Reserved ("0000")	0	1	0	1	5	
	CRC-8	0	1	1	0	6	
	CRC-8	0	1	1	1	7	N
	Member status	1	0	0	0	8	
	Member status	1	0	0	1	9	
	RS-ACK	1	0	1	0	10	
	Reserved ("0000")	1	0	1	1	11	
	Reserved ("0000")	1	1	0	0	12	
	Reserved ("0000"), to extend Seq. Ind.	1	1	0	1	13	
	Sequence indicator MSB (bits 1-4)	1	1	1	0	14	
control	Sequence indicator LSB (bits 5-8)	1	1	1	1	15	
	2 nd multi-frame indicator MSB (bits 1-4)	0	0	0	0	0	
packet	2 nd multi-frame indicator LSB (bits 5-8)	0	0	0	1	1	1
	CTRL	0	0	1	0	2	1
	GID ("000x")	0	0	1	1	3	n+1
	Reserved ("0000")	0	1	0	0	4	1
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	CRC-8	0	1	1	0	6	1
V	CRC-8	0	1	1	1	7	1
v	Member status	1	0	0	0	8	1
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DoS Chipsets Trends

Industry Shift

 Recent years have seen a significant move away from application specific ICs (ASICs) to application specific standard products (ASSPs).

Smaller Silicon Technology (0.18 -> 0.13 micron)

- Lower power devices with more ports per device.
- Higher integration of devices such as framers, mappers and Ethernet MACs in a single device.

DoS Chipset Evolution (FPGA + Discrete Framers; ASSPs)

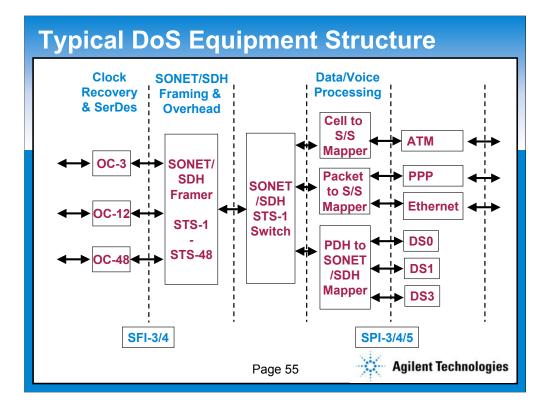
- 1st generation: GFP/LAPS
- 2nd generation: GFP/LAPS + VC
- 3rd generation: GFP/LAPS + VC/LCAS

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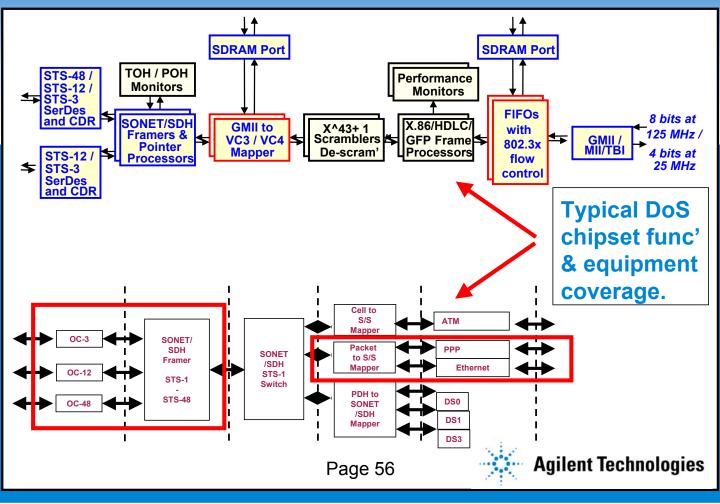
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DoS Chipset Features/Block Diagram

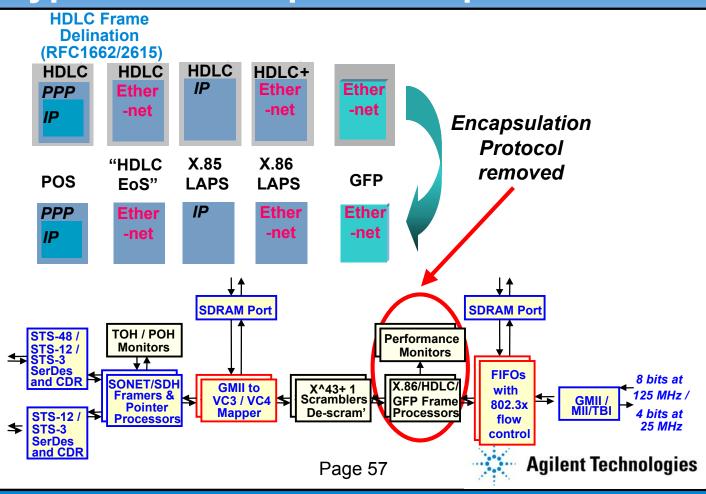


Why GFP is a Better Option

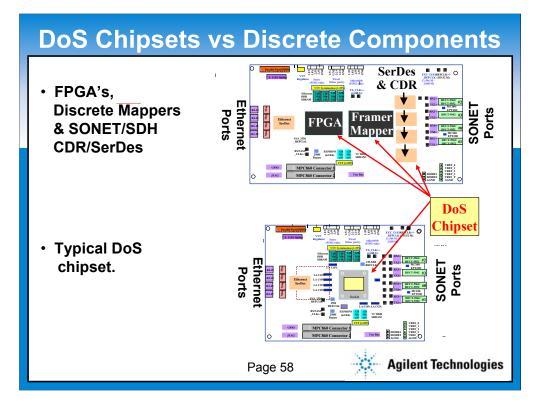
GP offers several significant advantages when compared to other PDUoriented framing mechanisms, such as LAPS [ITU-T X.86]. These include:

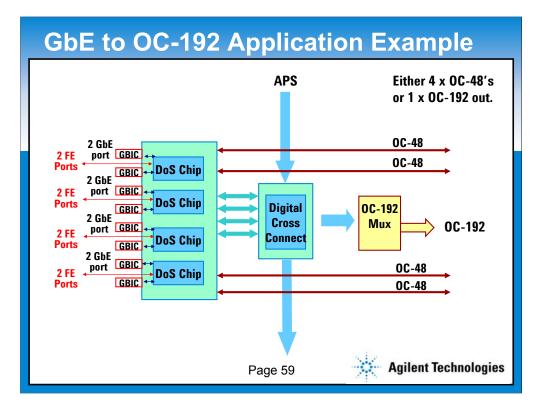
- 1.GFP is more efficient than LAPS. It has no inflation factor and maintains a fixed overhead almost equal to the minimum overhead in LAPS. Traffic management and QoS control are significantly easier.
- 2.GFP is more robust than LAPS. A single bit-error in the PLI and the cHEC field does not cause loss of alignment, while with LAPS, a single bit-error in the flag causes misalignment. The HEC framing ensures a single bit-error correction in the PLI.

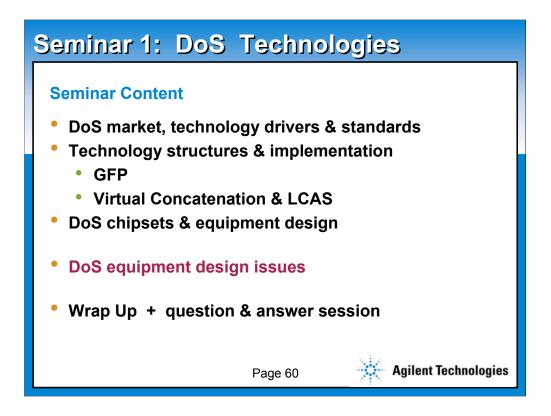
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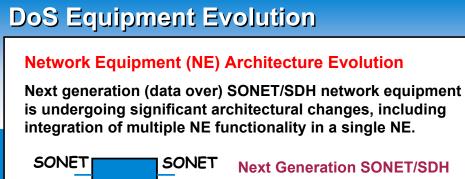


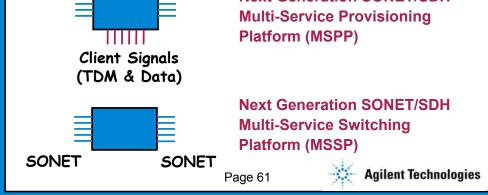
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- POS is used for transmission of IP data over SONET frames via PPP has read advantages,.. But in the past required the bandwidth be predetermined in a rigid and constrained manner,.. A GbE stream in POS stream would need a full OC-48 pipe with standard contiguous concatenation. EoS allows for the bandwidth to be shared among several ports..STS-1 21v's, while the other portion can be deployed for other Ethernet applications. POS also

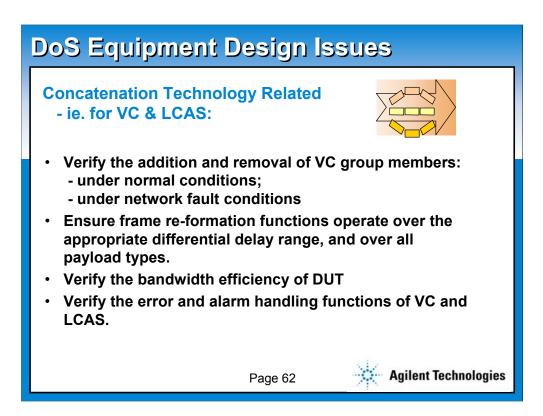


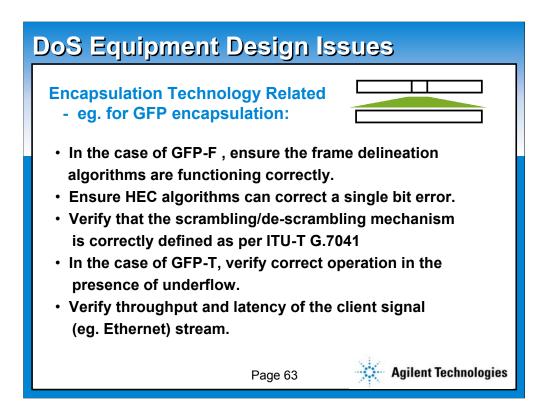


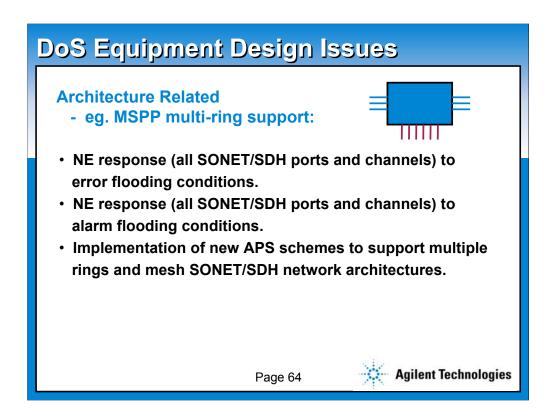












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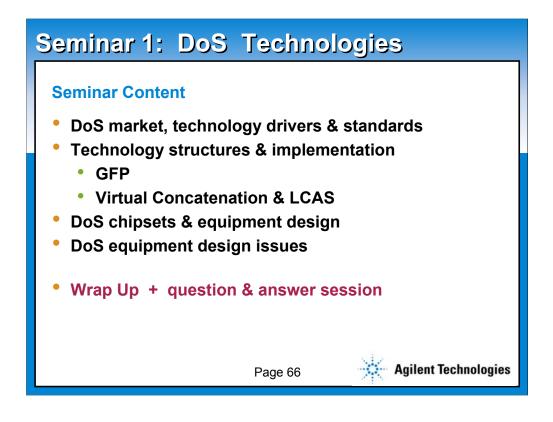


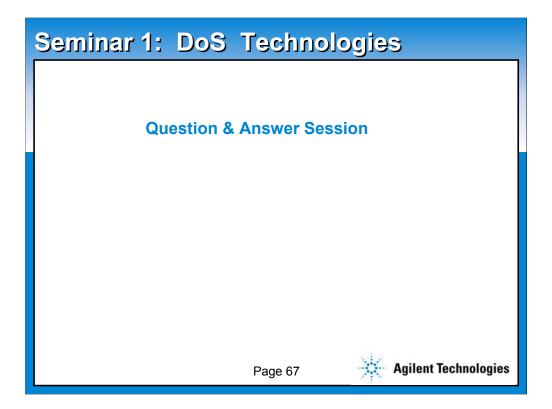
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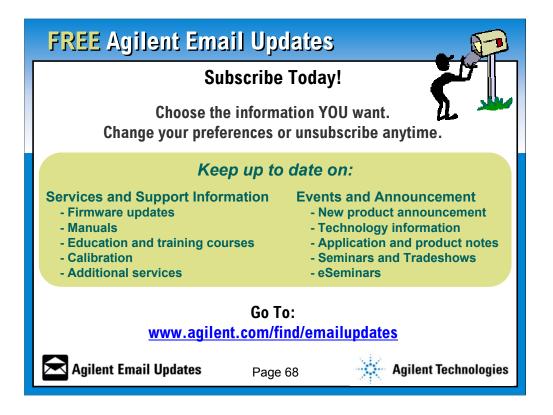
In particular, the seminar will address the need for multi-channel testing of switch matrices, the benefits of multi-port testing, and the critical design issues requiring verification associated with GFP, LAPS and Virtual concatenation.

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