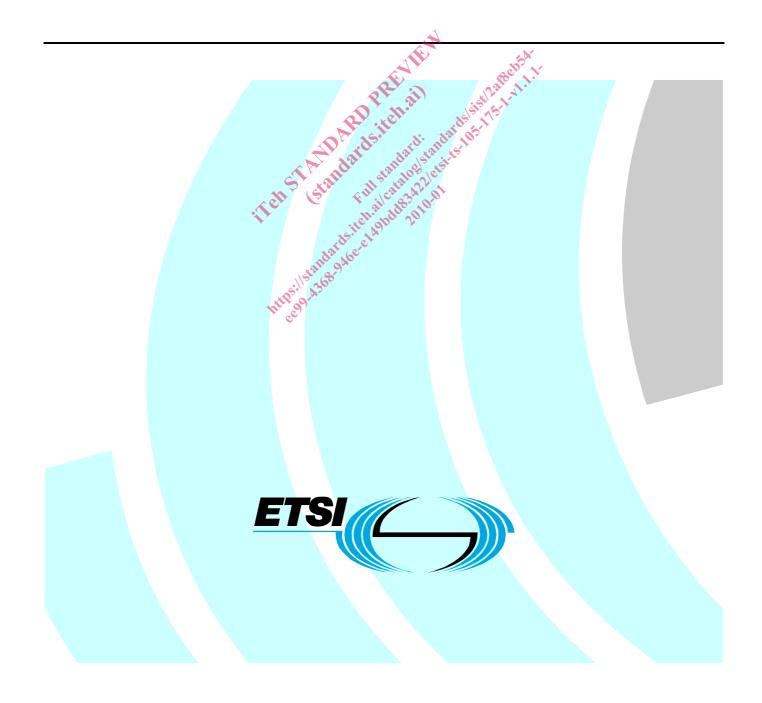
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# Access, Terminals, Transmission and Multiplexing (ATTM); Plastic Optical Fibre System Specifications for 100 Mbit/s and 1 Gbit/s



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### Introduction

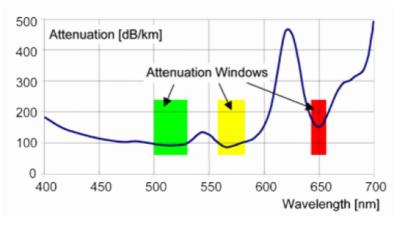
Polymer Optical Fibres (POF) based on Poly-Methyl-Metha-Acrilate (PMMA) with step-index 1mm core diameter (referred to in the rest of the present document as POF) have gained interest in the recent years for their interesting properties compared to the better known glass optical fibres (GOF). The main advantages of POF when compared to GOF are:

- POF large core diameter (1mm) allows do-it-yourself installation and termination with common cutter and electrician-like low cost tools; besides PMMA material is a very inexpensive material.
- POF high diameter and numerical aperture makes bending loss sensitivity much lower than silica fibre (GOF).
- POF mechanical resilience and elasticity makes it possible to step on it and even tie it. Dust and water harm POF to a much smaller extent than GOF.
- The optical sources for POF are in the visible range, and the optical launch is usually non-collimated. POF optical sources are thus intrinsically eye-safe and easy to troubleshoot, as the signal can be seen by the naked eye.

For all these reasons, POF is potentially very interesting in several applications (industrial automation, automotive, home networking) where it shows key advantages to the more traditional copper cabling:

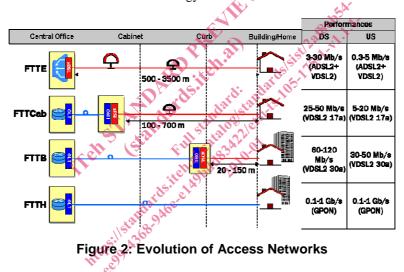
- Complete immunity to electromagnetic interference (EMI).
- Being POF an electrical insulator (like GOF), it can be laid down in power ducts. This apparently minor issue is seen as a key element by several European Telcos for in-house installation in brown-field areas.
- Lower weight (a fundamental issue in the automotive sector).

These native properties have to be balanced by some drawbacks: PMMA exhibits a strong attenuation (see Figure 1), minimum for visible light (0,15 dB/m to 0,20 dB/m at 650 nm, to be compared to 0,25 dB/km at 1 550 nm for silica single mode fibre), which limits the reach of the links to about hundred meters without bends.





Besides, as next step in the evolution of Access Networks (see Figure 2), it is foreseen that higher bandwidth services will be delivered, either with active network elements built closer to the end-user (e.g. VDSL2 or Point-to-Point FTTH technology), or at the opposite end with active elements more distant from the end-user (e.g. GPON FTTH technology). The target for bandwidth delivered in home could be up to 1 Gbit/s in case of FTTH or up to 120 Mbit/s downstream and up to 50 Mbit/s upstream in case of VDSL2 technology.



The home network must not represent a bottleneck for the expected evolution for services such as the introduction of High Definition quality IPTV, multi-room/multi-vision configuration, using different channels seen in different rooms with up to 3 Set Top Boxes (STBs) and high quality video communication via the TV set. More in general, with the "Connected Home", several devices will be connected together: the home network can be used, for example, to share multimedia contents not necessarily delivered in real time by access network, but with the paradigm of "download and play" this content can be stored in a device inside the house and use it afterwards. Besides, this residential network must be easy, fast and cheap to deploy.

# 1 Scope and Purpose

### 1.1 Scope

The present document specifies the POF cabling system 100 Mbit/s and 1 Gbit/s for interoperability among different suppliers. The system comprises the active optical elements, the cables, connectors and wall plugs. A future step could be to achieve integration of POF interfaces into end user equipment.

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Directive 2002/95/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 January 2003 on the [1] restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment. [2] IEEE 802.3: "Telecommunications and Information Exchange Between Systems - Local and Metropolitan Area Networks - Specific Requirements Part 3: Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications Amendment: Physical Layer Specifications and Management Parameters for 10Gb/s Passive Optical Networks". [3] IEC 60825-1: "Safety of laser products - Part 1: Equipment classification and requirements ". DSL Forum Technical Report TR-126 (December 2006): "Triple-Play Services, Quality of [4] Experience (QoE) Requirements". [5] DSL Forum Technical Report TR-069: "CPE WAN Management Protocol". IEC 60793-1-47: "Optical fibres - Part 1-47: Measurement methods and test procedures -[6] Macrobending loss". IEC 60793-2-40: "Optical fibres - Part 240: Product specifications" - Sectional specification for [7] category A4 multimode fibres". IEC 60794-2-40: "Optical fibre cables Part 2-40: Indoor optical fibre cables - Family [8] specification for A4 fibre cables". 98 8. IEC 60794-2-41 (Edition 1.0): "Optical fibre cables - Part 2-41: Indoor cables - Product [9] specification for simplex and duplex buffered A4 fibres". IEC 61754-2: "Fibre optic connector interfaces - Part 2: Type BFOC/2,5 connector family". [10] [11] IEC 61754-22: "Fibre optic connector interfaces - Part 22: Type F-SMA connector family". IEC 61754-24: "Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components - Fibre optic [12] connector interfaces - Part 24: Type SC-RJ connector family". IEC 60332: "Tests on electric and optical fibre cables under fire conditions". [13] European Commission (18 November 2008) Version 3: "Code of Conduct on Energy [14] Consumption of Broad Band Equipment". [15] IEC 60884-1: "Plugs and socket-outlets for household and similar purposes - Part 1: General requirements". [16] ISO/IEC 8802-3: "Information technology - Telecommunications and information exchange between systems - Local and metropolitan area networks - Specific requirements - Part 3: Carrier sense multiple access with collision detection (CSMA/CD) access method and physical layer specifications". [17] CENELEC EN 60950-1: "Information technology equipment - Safety - Part 1: General requirements". [18] ITU-T Recommendation K.21: "Resistibility of telecommunication equipment installed in customer premises to overvoltages and overcurrents". [19] CENELEC EN 60825-1: "Safety of laser products - Part 1: Equipment classification and requirements". [20] IEC 60068-2-27: "Environmental testing - Part 2-27: Tests - Test Ea and guidance: Shock".

- [21] ETSI EN 300 019-2-3: "Environmental Engineering (EE); Environmental conditions and environmental tests for telecommunications equipment; Part 2-3: Specification of environmental tests; Stationary use at weatherprotected locations".
- [22] IEC 60068-2-6: "Environmental testing Part 2-6: Tests Test Fc: Vibration (sinusoidal)".
- [23] IEC 60068-2-64: "Environmental testing Part 2-64: Tests Test Fh: Vibration, broadband random and guidance".
- [24] CENELEC EN 55022: "Information technology equipment Radio disturbance characteristics -Limits and methods of measurement".
- [25] CENELEC EN 55024 Information technology equipment Immunity characteristics Limits and methods of measurement.

### 2.2 Informative references

The following referenced documents are not essential to the use of the present document but they assist the user with regard to a particular subject area. For non-specific references, the latest version of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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IEEE 802.3u: "Local and Metropolitan Area Networks-Supplement - Media Access Control
(MAC) Parameters, Physical Layer, Medium Attachment Units and Repeater for 100Mb/s
Operation, Type 100BASE-T (Clauses 21-30)".
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IEEE 802.3z: "Media Access Control Parameters, Physical Layers, Repeater and Management
Parameters for 1,000 Mb/s Operation, Supplement to Information Technology - Local and
Metropolitan Area Networks-Part 3: Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection
(CSMA/CD) Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications".
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IEC 61754-21: "Fibre optic connector interfaces - Part 21: Type SMI connector family for plastic
optical fibre".
IEEE 802.3x: "IEEE Standards for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks: Specification for 802.3
Full Duplex Operation".
IEEE 802.1Q: "IEEE Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks - Virtual Bridged Local
Area Networks".
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IEEE 802.1p: "IEEE Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks - Supplement to Media
Access Control (MAC) Bridges: Traffic Class Expediting and Dynamic Multicast Filtering".
IEEE 802.1D: "IEEE Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks: Media Access Control
(MAC) Bridges".

# 3 Definitions and abbreviations

#### 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply:

Triple Play Services: scenario in which voice, video and data are all provided in a single access subscription

#### 3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

ACS	Auto Configuration Server
CPE	Customer Premises Equipment
EMI	ElectroMagnetic Interference

FTTH	Fiber To The Home
GOF	Glass Optical Fibre
GPON	Gigabit Passive Optical Network
HG	Home Gateway
IPTV	Internet Protocol Television
MTBF	Mean Time Between Failures
PMMA	Poly-Methyl-Metha-Acrilate
POF	Polymer Optical Fibres
PVC	PolyVinyl Chloride
QoE	Quality of Experience
QoS	Quality of Service
RoHS	Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances
SC/RJ	Small Form Factor Connector/Registered Jack
SMI	Small Multimedia Interface
STB	Set Top Box
UTP5	Unshielded Twisted Pair (Category 5)
VAC	Volts Alternating Current
VDSL2	Very high bit-rate Digital Subscriber Line
VLAN	Virtual Local Area Network

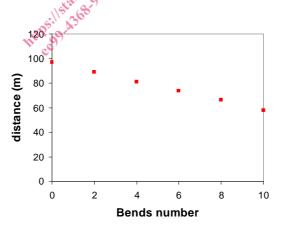
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#### Performances 4.1

rds Today on the market several suppliers offer PMMA POF media converter solutions at 100 Mbit/s. With such performance PMMA fibre may be used in the home to interconnect all devices usually communicating through Fast Ethernet interfaces for example the link between the home gateway and the STB. Below the requirement for 100 Mbit/s Systems. Cat S

- The max Physical-Layer Data Rate MUST be 125 Mbit/s, compliant with IEEE 802.3u [i.1]. **R1**
- **R2** The system SHOULD be able to transmit over a distance up to 100 m. Figure 3 shows the maximum reachable distance vs POF bends number.



#### Figure 3: Maximum reachable distance vs. POF bends number

- **R3** Macrobend radius shall be  $\geq 25$  mm.
- Macrobending loss shall be measured according to EN 60793-1-47 [6], method B. **R4**
- The Bit Error Rate MUST be  $< 10^{-12}$ . **R5**
- The system MUST work in Full Duplex. Today media converters are based on duplex services **R6** which are achieved by using duplex POF. However the availability of a duplex service over simplex POF systems needs to be investigated as ultimately they may provide practical advantages to end users.