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PROFINET DIAGNOSTICS

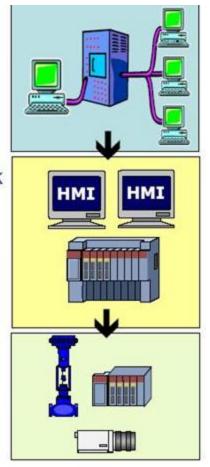
Ethernet Today .. Diagnostic Today



 With the advances to Ethernet, it has now moved down the Hierarchy from just PC's / HMI's into the field devices on the plant floor.

 Now, we need a way to diagnose the network if there are any issues. And we <u>can</u> since we have connection to both the office and Industrial network!

 Most Industrial Ethernet manufacturers already build these diagnostic capabilities into their products.



What can go wrong on the networks?

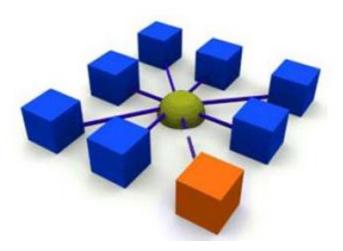


A list of problems you might encounter on an Ethernet (or other) network.

Physical Network problems

- Wire break / Damaged cable or connector
 - Damaged cable / connector can cause reflections
- Improper Wiring
- Network components or devices faulty
- Frame oversize / undersize
- EMI / Noise





What can go wrong on the networks?



User and software related problems

- Address not set
- Incorrect addresses set
- Duplicate addresses set
- Network or device overload from traffic on device / switch
- Port not open
 - Application not running
- Resource is not available or running
 - Ex: Application is stopped
 - Device powered down

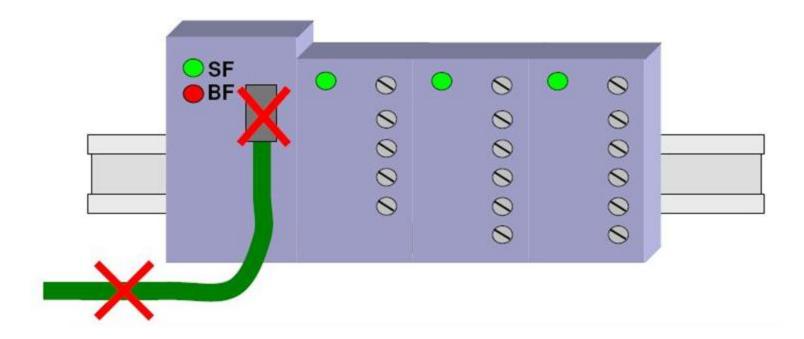




Communication Faults



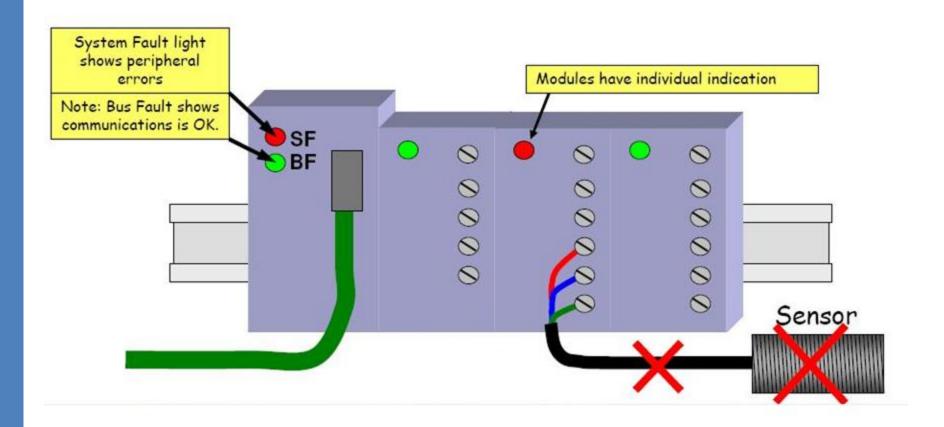
- Mainly caused by poor network wiring or layout or cable/connector deterioration.
- Can be permanent or intermittent.



Peripheral Faults



Caused by sensor/actuator failure or wiring faults.



What Diagnostic capabilities are available?



Protocols or ways we can use to find the problem:

- Link light (lights on Switch)
 - Do I have an Electrical connection?
- Ping (IP test)
 - Is the device there and active?
- WBM Web Based Management
- Cable Testers
- Ethernet Sniffers
- PROFINET Tools
- Port Mirroring





Link Light



Use link lights to determine if you have a good electrical connection.

Simple way to see if physical connection is available

Some devices also have a light for duplex (10 / 100) setting

NOTE: The link light can't tell you if there is an EMI problem. Or if there is an internal fault of the device.





Packet Internet Gopher (PING)



Ping is the minimal test of network connectivity

Basically sends an "Are you there?" message to another host and waits for a response

Type: ping <ip_address> in the command prompt

Ping sends a message using the ICMP Echo Request and the recipient host responds with Echo Reply

Ping determines if the pinging and pinged devices are on the network

NOTE:

Only checks up to the internet layer of OSI model



Web Based Management



A web based management device supports diagnostics from a web interface.

A standard internet browser can read out information from a device locally or at a remote site.

Diagnostics and information about the current status of the device can be viewed.



Port Mirroring



- Port Mirroring is used on a switch to send a copy of network packets seen on one switch port (or an entire VLAN) to a network monitoring connection on another switch port.
- Defining a mirror port duplicates all traffic on the mirror.
 - √ incoming and outgoing traffic
- Useful for monitoring the switch traffic on a certain port, the monitor port for diagnostic reasons.
 - √ e.g. with Ethereal / Wireshark analyser
- Available in managed switches or as a dedicated device.





Cable Testers



There are many different cable test tools available for checking Ethernet cables.







Cable Testers



A cable tester is a simple tool for checking proper wiring and shield.

Check to make sure the tester you use has a remote and shield test possible.

Physical layer test device





Cable Testers

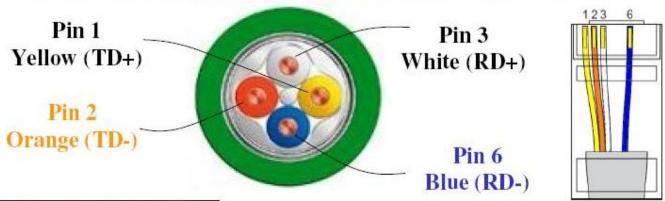


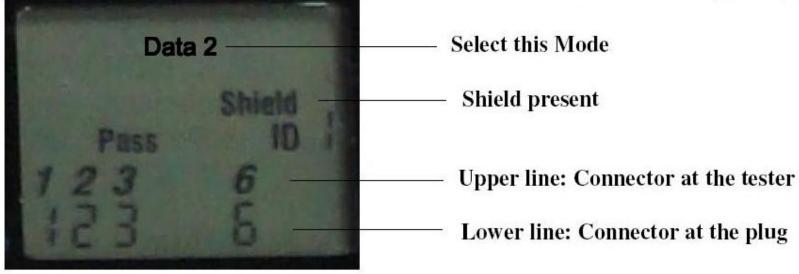
- Connect the test plug at one end and the tester at the other end.
- Detect many wiring faults:
 - √ Wire break
 - √ Short circuit
 - √ Swapped wires



Good Wiring

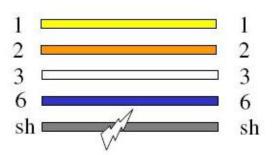




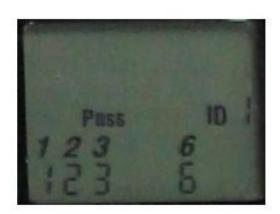


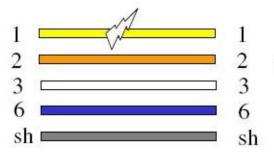
Wiring Faults



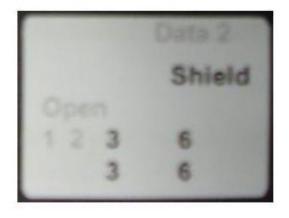


No shield or Shield broken



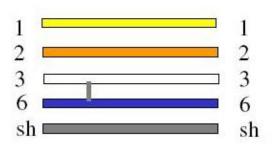


Wire break and Effected pins

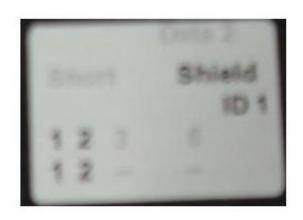


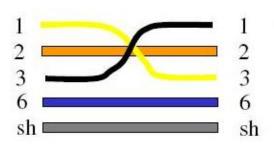
Wiring Faults





Short circuit, Second line indicated as --





Yellow and White swapped



Ethernet Sniffers / Wireshark



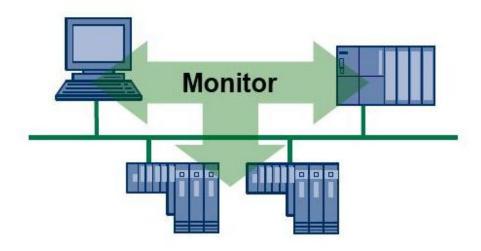
An Ethernet Sniffer lets you Monitor, decode and analyze Ethernet traffic

Wireshark is available for free on the Internet at

www.wireshark.org

Many Ethernet protocols supported

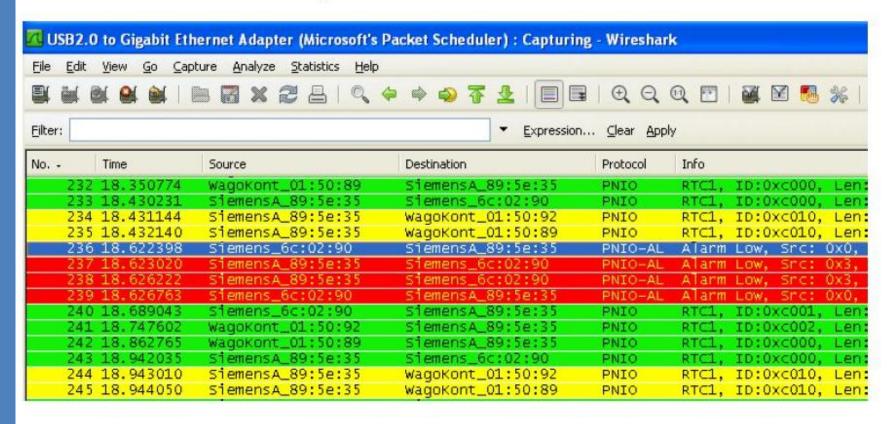
- PROFINET IO since version 0.10.8
- PROFINET CBA since version 0.10.9







- Free tool, Wireshark.
- The alarms are captured.



PROFINET Tools – Application Level



When using PROFINET protocol for your Industrial needs note that there are extensive application diagnostics available as part of the protocol.

Just to name a few, some of these diagnostics are:

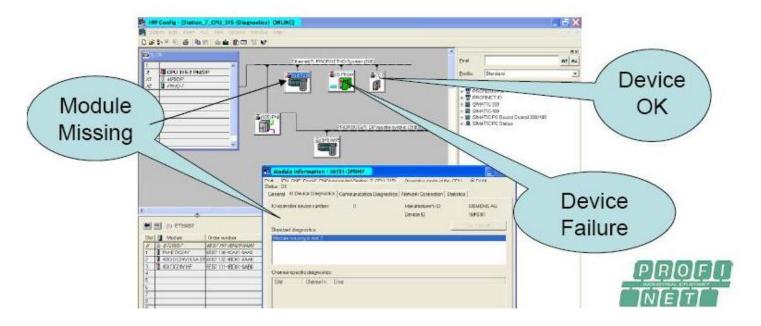
- Browse function see all devices on network
- Diagnostic Overview quick scan for problems in the network
- Topology Editor View the existing topology and compare against current one



PROFINET Application Diagnostic



- PROFINET has extensive application based diagnostics for troubleshooting a system.
- By simply going online with your controller, you get a readout of the current status of devices and modules.
- PROFINET Alarms can also be captured by your PLC / PC application and monitored from HMI systems.
- Detailed diagnostics can be retrieved from the faulty device



How to deal with Noise? / EMI



Since Ethernet is a point to point system, 'lines', individual runs, or network sections can be affected by EMI.

So, when installing the system

- UTP = unshielded = watch out!
- Shielded cable = better protection
- Fiber = No noise / EMI
- EMI disturbances can be found by using managed switches which support SNMP.
 - Ex: faulty packets start increasing
- O-Scope can be also used on lines in the event noise can't be easily identified.
 Tools are already available for this
 - Requires specialized tools and training



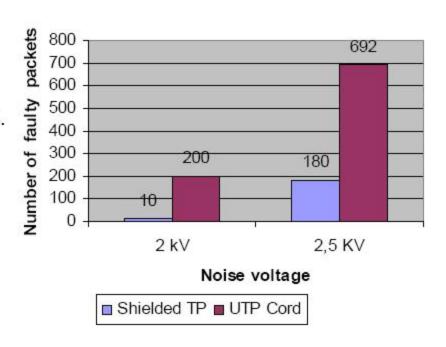


Shielded vs. Unshielded Cables



Reference measurement

- Shielded Twisted Pair (STP) vs.
 Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP)
- Data transfer rate: 100 Mbit/s
- Bus load 81%
- Packet length: 346 bytes
- Duration: 30 s

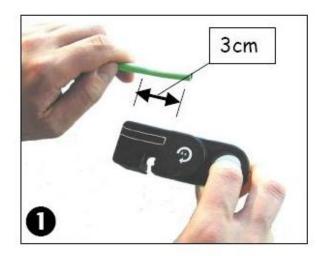


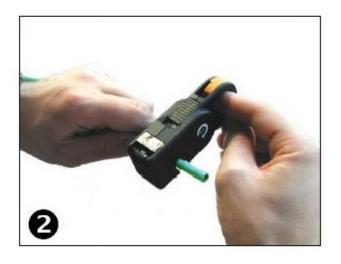
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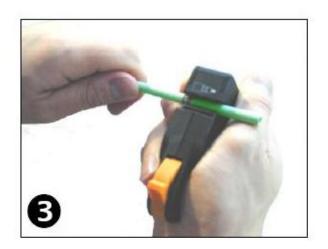
- An UTP cable is totally unsuitable for noisy environment
- Even noise voltages of 1 kV can lead to a breakdown in communication

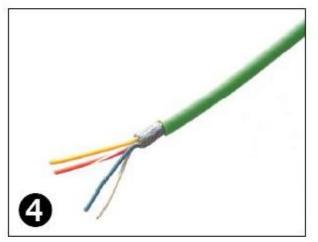
Stripping Tools





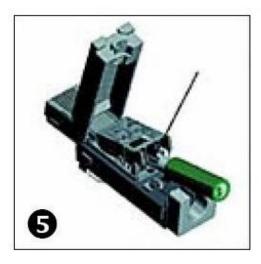


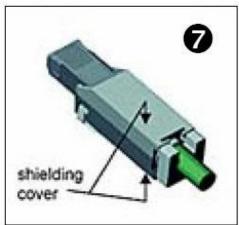


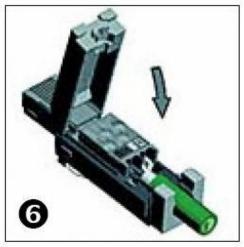


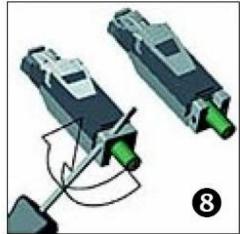
Insulation Displacement Connectors











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