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# CompoNet Overview

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# Introduction of CompoNet

**Developed as a sensor and actuator network (SAN) and features;**

## ▶ Strong Physical layer

- Data rate: 93.75kbps to 4Mbps.
- Trunk length: 30m (at 4Mbps) to 500m or 200m Flexible (at 93.75kbps), Without repeaters.
- Total trunk length: 32,500m max. (with repeaters, 65 times longer than before, at 93.75kbps)
- Flexible cable topology: flat cables and insulation-displacement connector (IDC)
- Low cost round cables

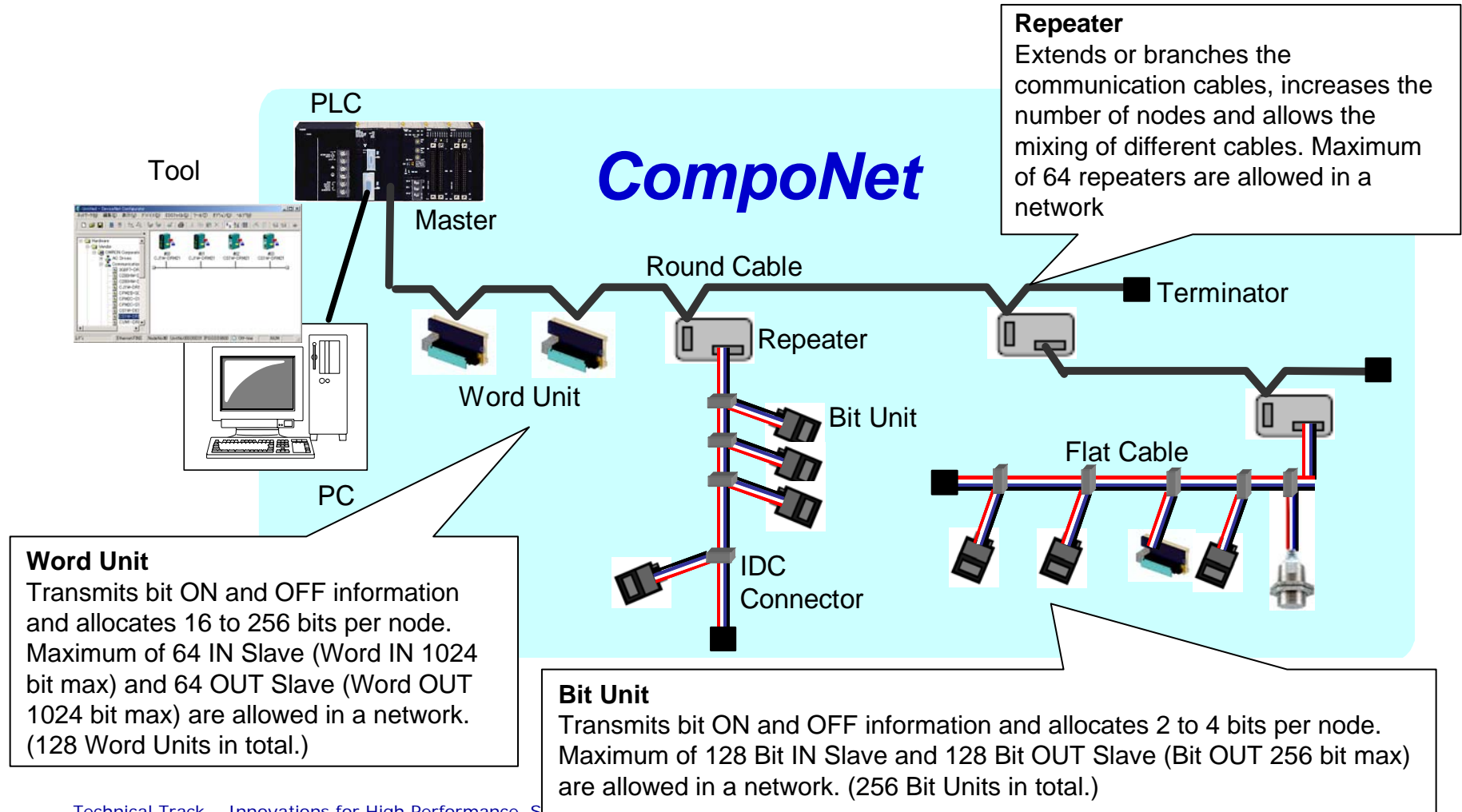
## ▶ Efficient Data Link layer of high serviceability

- High speed response (at 4Mbps, 1ms cycle time, 1000 I/O points)
- Bit and word data processing
- Many nodes (Slave of 384 nodes, and Repeater of 64 nodes)
- Detection of installation and node condition

## ▶ CIP

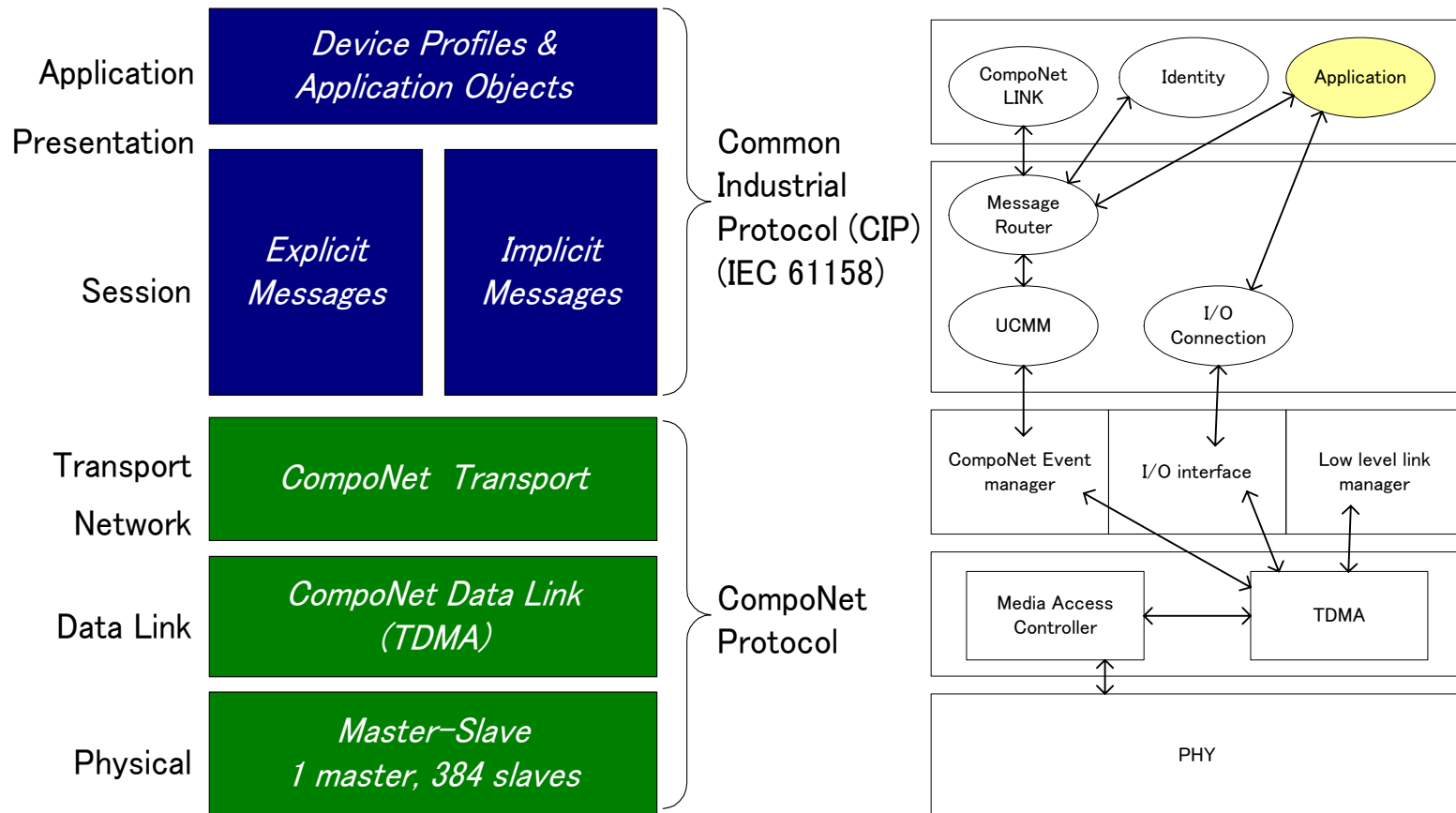
# CompoNet System Configuration

A network suitable for sensor-actuator



# OSI model

CompoNet is a field network that follows the Open System Interconnection (OSI) model. As with all CIP Networks, CompoNet implements CIP at the Session layer and above.





# Technical Details

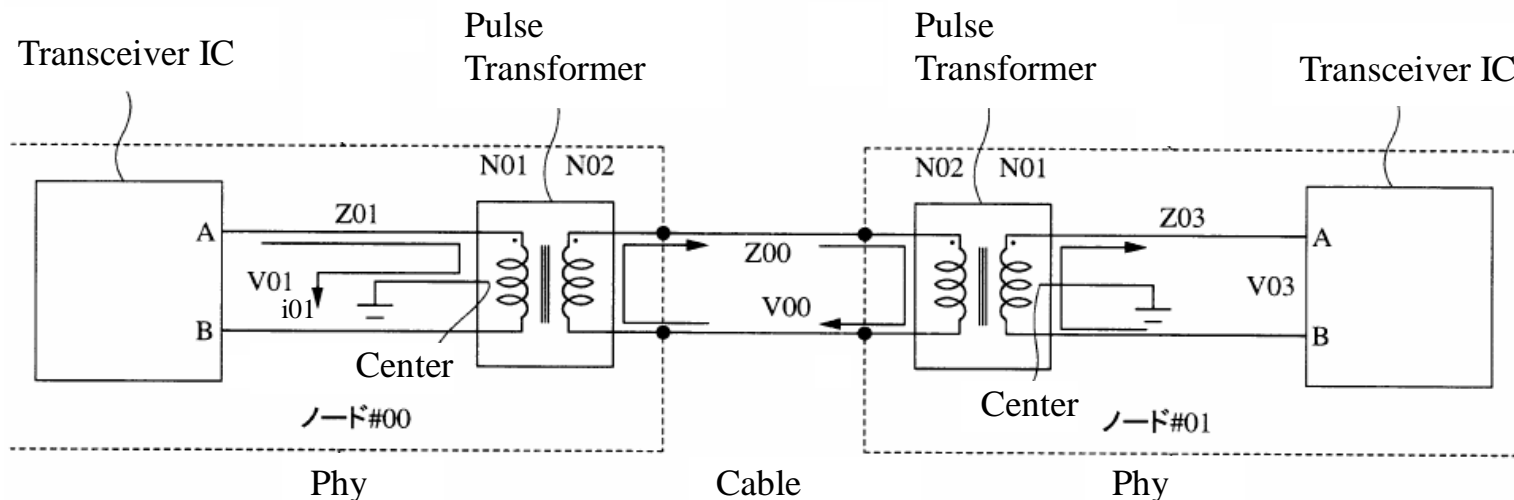
**To realize  
Strong Physical layer and  
Efficient Data Link layer of high serviceability**

# Pulse transformer and Manchester code

## Circuit that used Pulse transformers extend transmission distance.

- ▶ Ground the midpoints on pulse transformer windings near transceiver.
- ▶ Number of turns of one side and the other side in the pulse transformer is assumed to be  $N01$  and  $N02$ . Nominal conversion ratio at transmission:  $N02 / ( N01 / 2 )$ . Output voltage ( $V00$ ) is greater.
- ▶ Input ratio is even. Bigger output extends transmission distance.

## Manchester coding prevents energy storage due to pulse transformer.

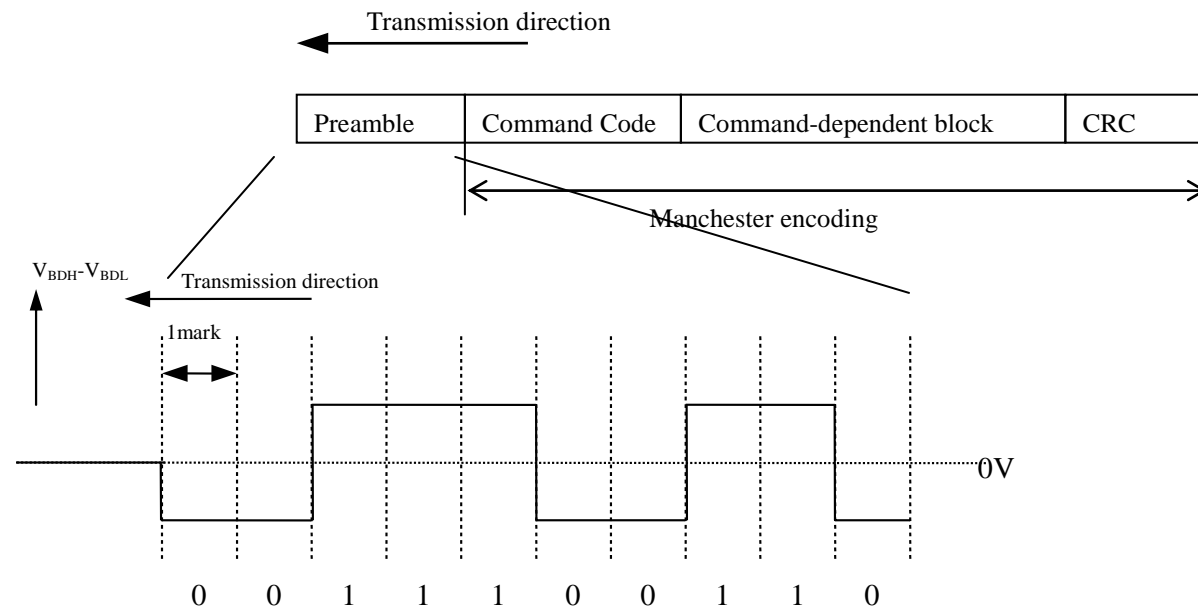


Arrow indicates the direction of electric current flow.

# Preamble(1)

- ▶ High-speed response: Transmission with no gaps between frames (No idle time on the communication line)
- ▶ Various topologies: Data array that minimizes signal degradation can prevent wiring efficiency.

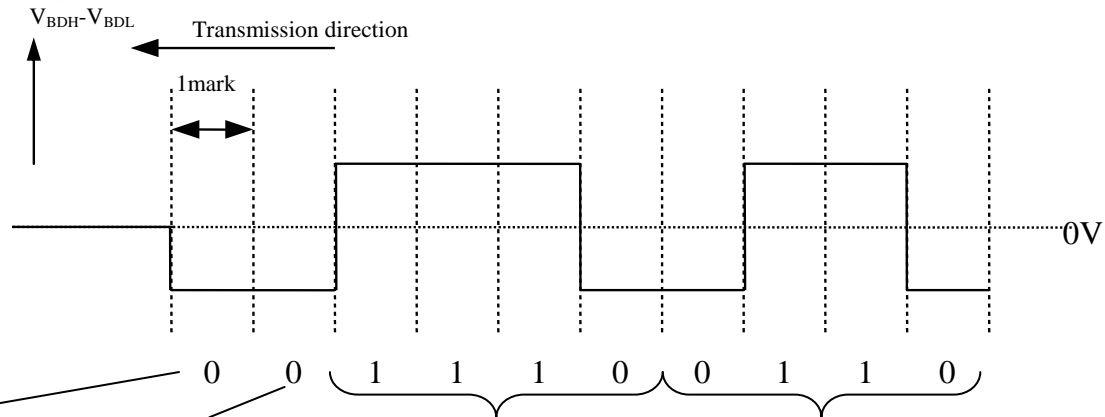
CompoNet Frame block And Preamble Waveform on Transmitting Line



# Preamble (2)

## ► Preamble data array and Improvement of waveform

Preamble Waveform on Transmitting Line



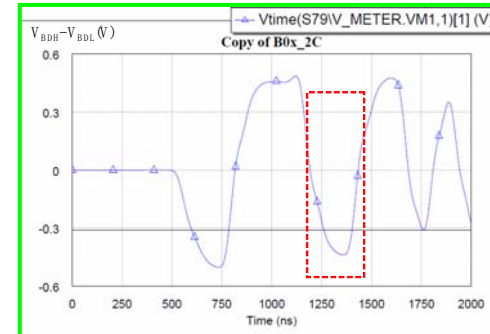
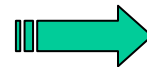
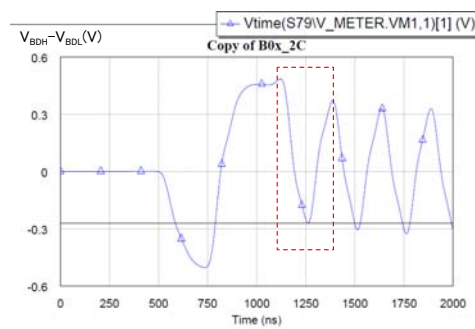
To cancel noise caused by previous frame

Reversed logic to surely recognize "111".

To distinguish it is the frame.

To prevent affect by reflection. Make 0 and 1 output ratio in 50% each.

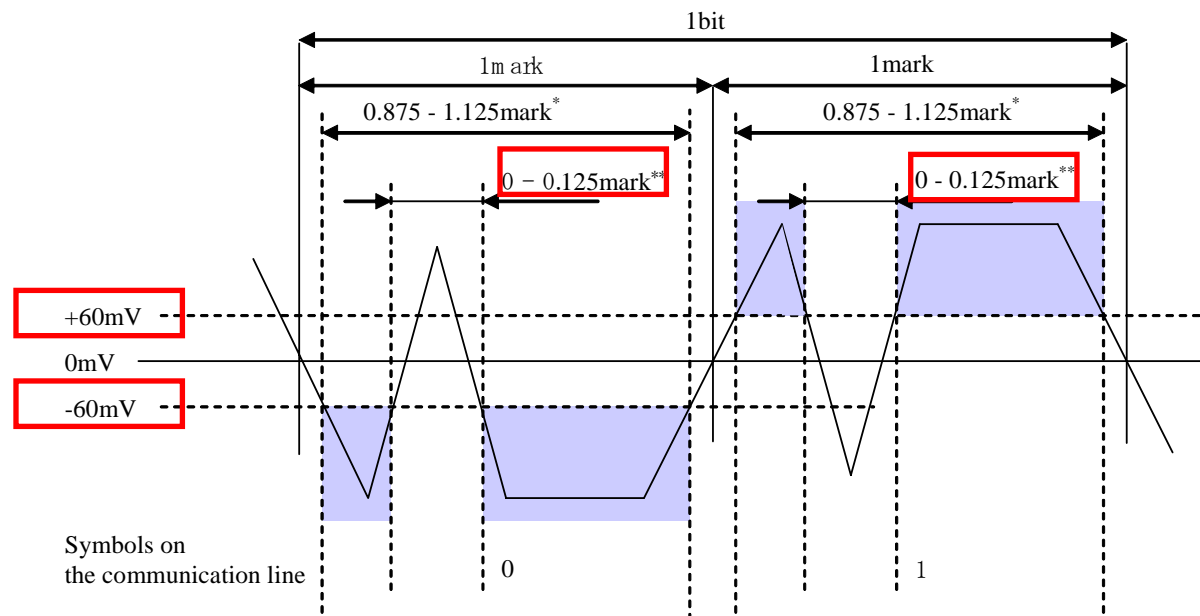
Effect of having an extra "0"; "001110" and "0011100110"



# Receive Mask (1)

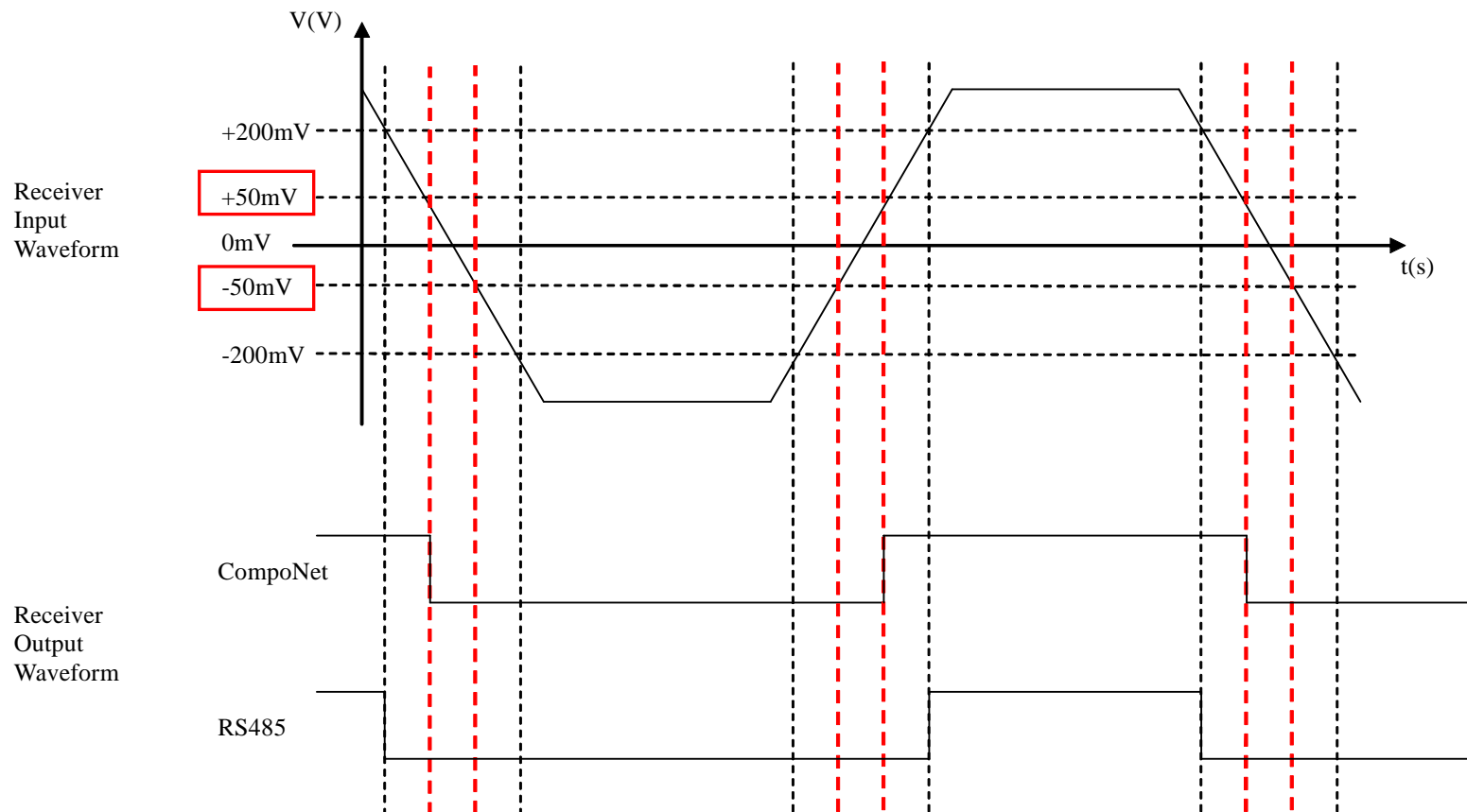
- ▶ Available unshielded cables with various electrical characteristics.
- ▶ Enables branches and high speed transmission at 3Mbit/s and 1.5Mbit/s

Receive Mask3



## Receive Mask(2)

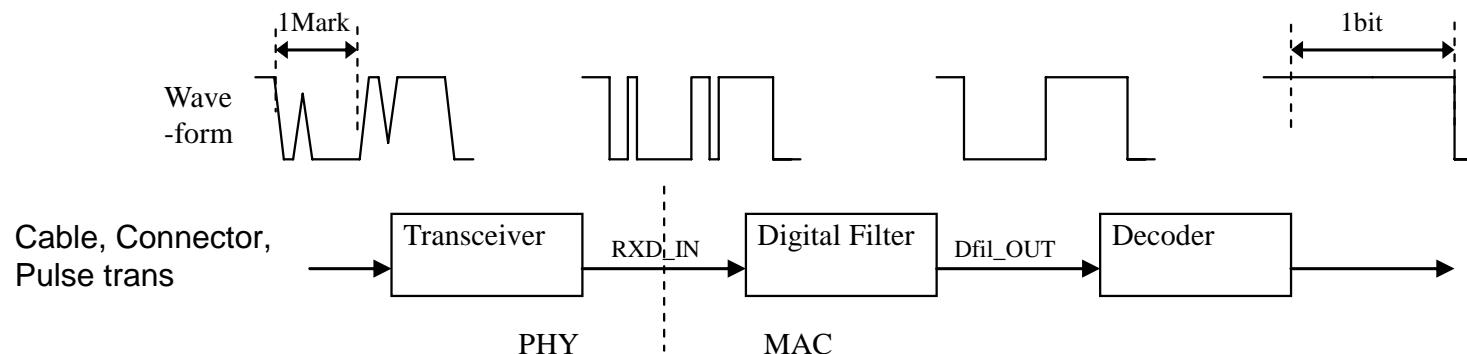
- ▶ Minimizes input threshold voltage. As a result, it can receive attenuated small waveforms and distorted waveforms.



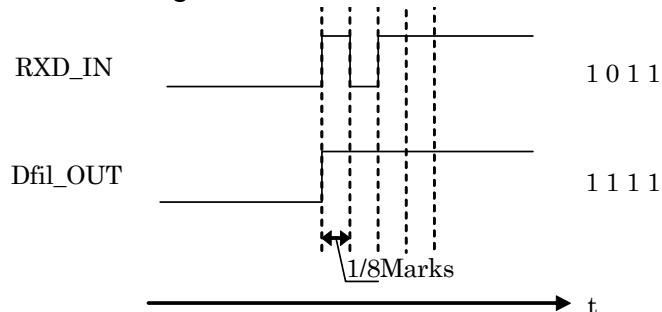
# Receive Mask(3)

- ▶ MAC circuit to realize branches with high speed transmission

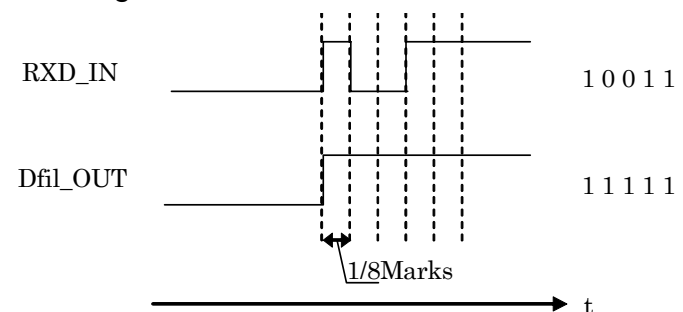
## Receiving circuit blocks and waveforms



### Reforming of waveform with 1/8 of a mark inverted



### Reforming of waveform with 2/8 of a mark inverted



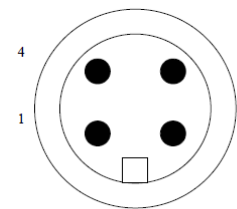
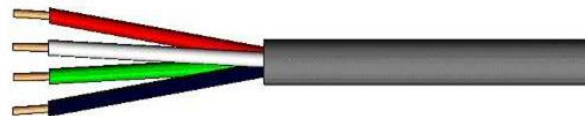
# Cable and Connectors (1)

## Available Cables or Connectors

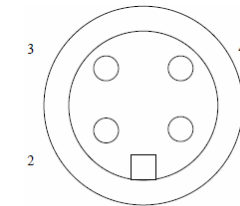
Round I



Round II



Plug( pins )



Jack( socket )

Flat I

(Same cable as  
DeviceNet Flat II)



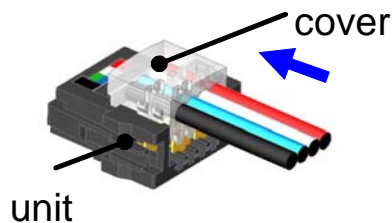
Flat II



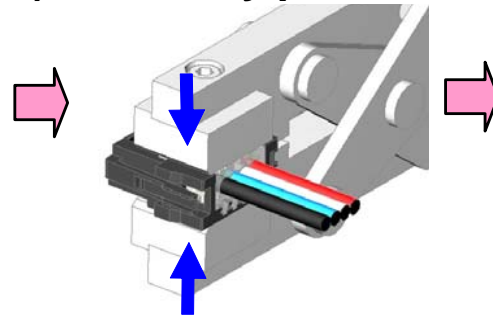
# Cable and Connectors (2)

## Saving wiring effort of communication cables

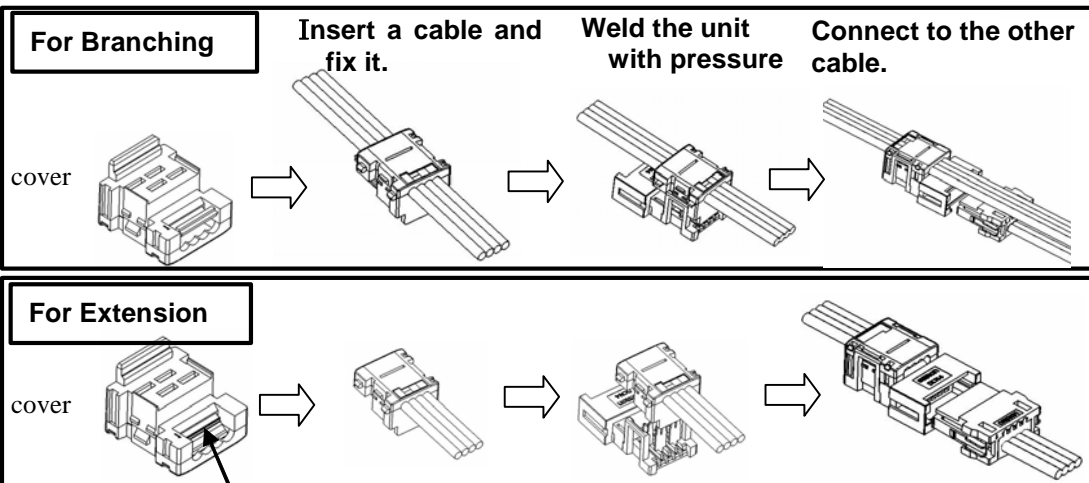
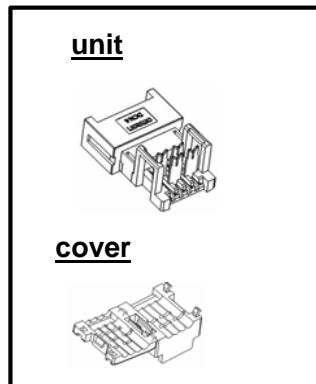
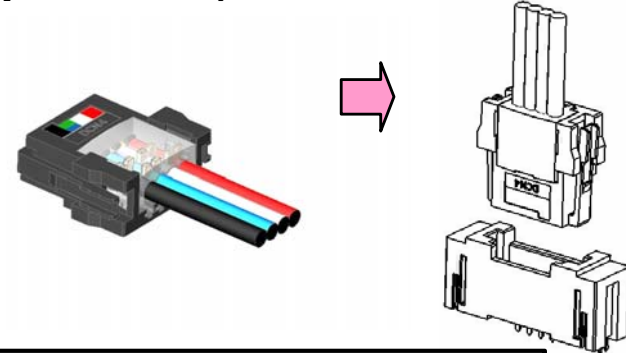
1) Insert a cable and fix it.



2) Weld it by pressure tool.



3) Connect to a node.



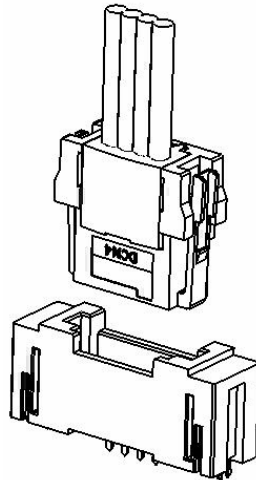
### Cable Stopper

For extension, press a cable stopper with fingers, and keep pressing it until you hear a sound that indicates locking is completed, and **fixation is firm**. This operation is not necessary for branching.

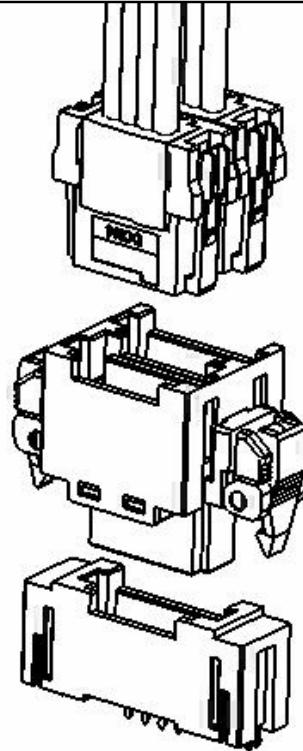
# Cable and Connectors (3)

## Various wiring methods and cable supports

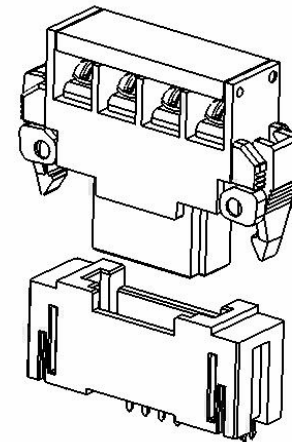
Flat cable connection



Multi-drop connection  
of flat cables

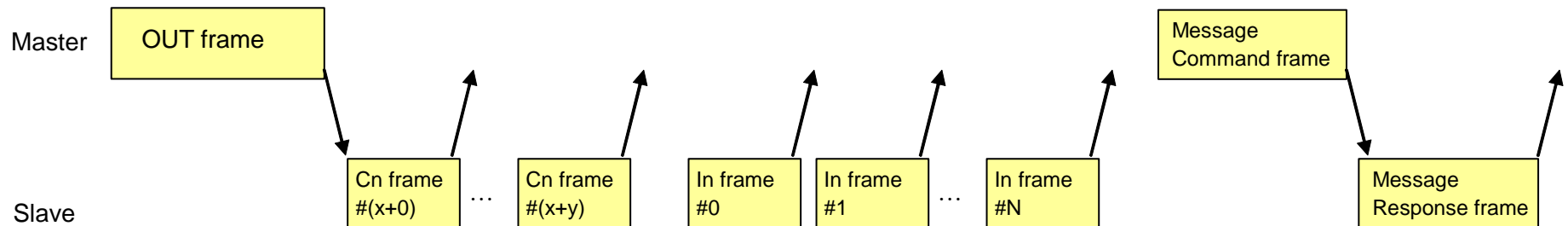


Multi conductor  
round cable



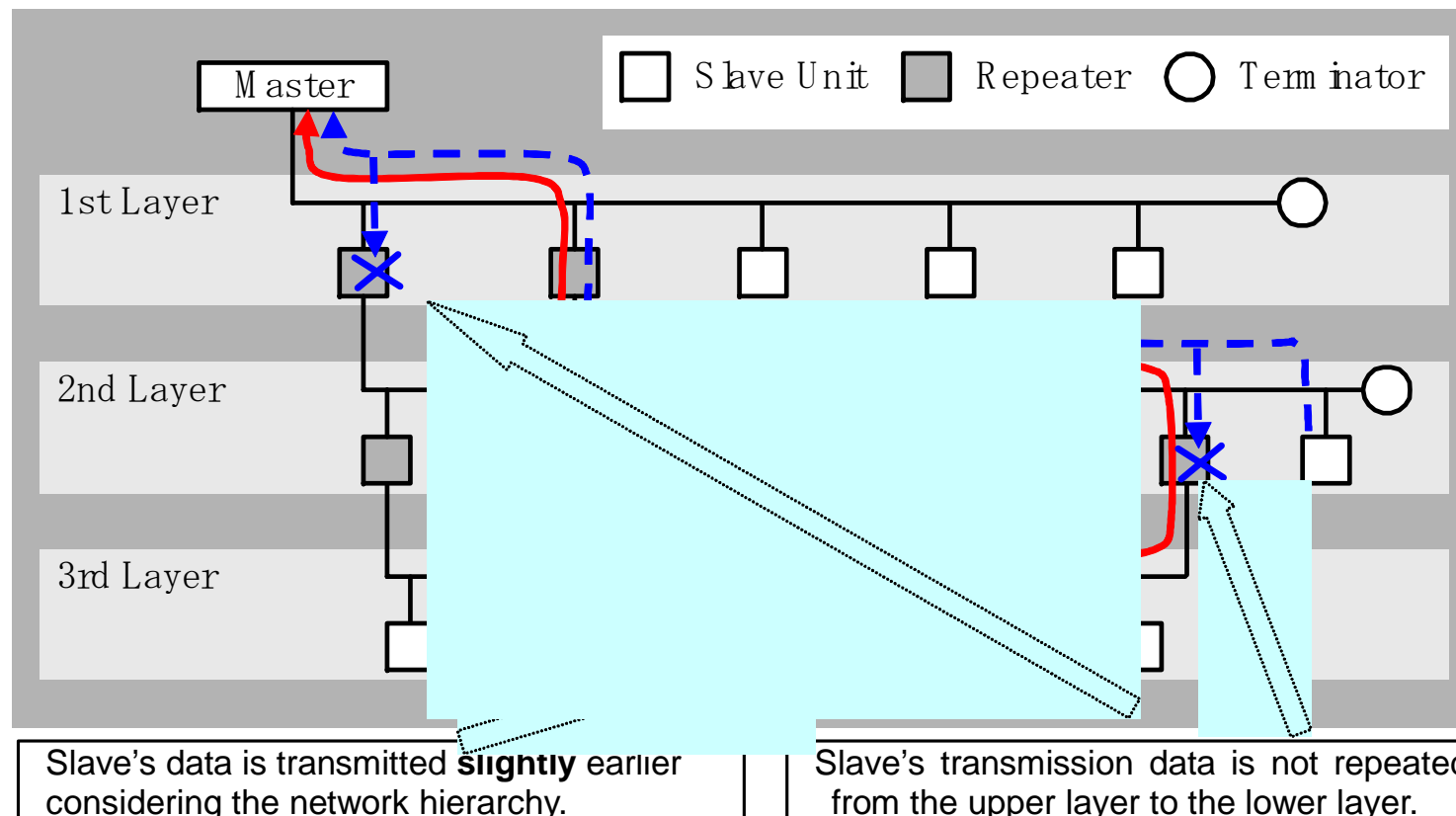
## Highly efficient communication protocol

- ▶ CompoNet uses Time Domain Multiple Access (TDMA) technology.
- ▶ TDMA controls transmission and receiving of frame data.
- ▶ Multiple slaves and repeaters send back CN and IN\_Frame based on one frame.
- ▶ A master controls communication and avoids frame collision



# High Speed Repeater(1)

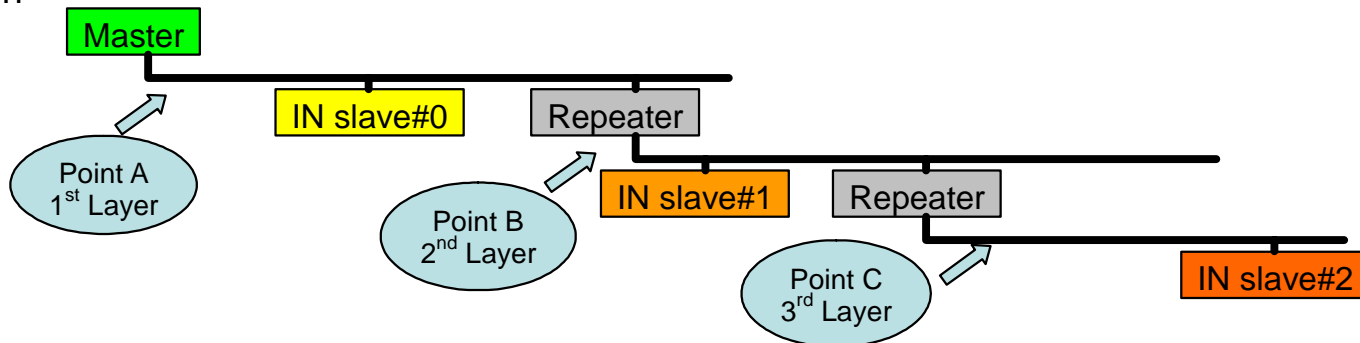
- ▶ High-speed response: Minimized response delay due to repeater connection.
- ▶ Various topologies available: Expanded installation field and the number of connectable nodes, and allowed mixed use of different cables.



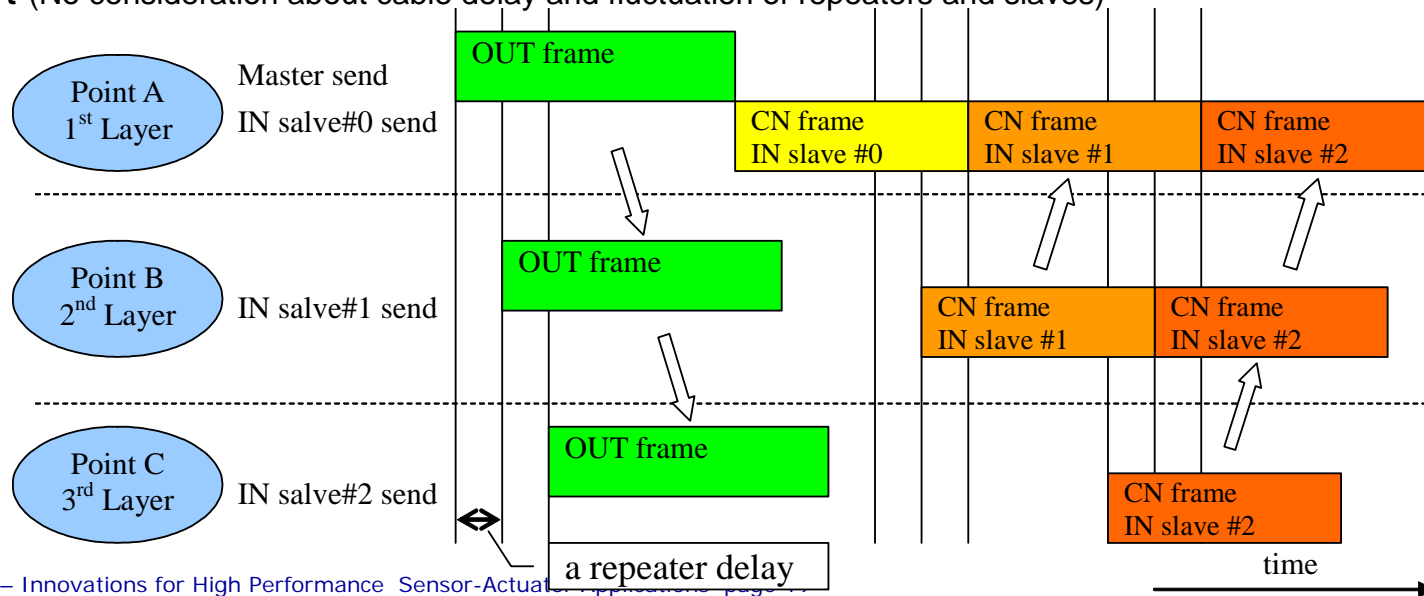
# High Speed Repeater (2)

## TDMA minimized delay time in repeaters.

Configuration



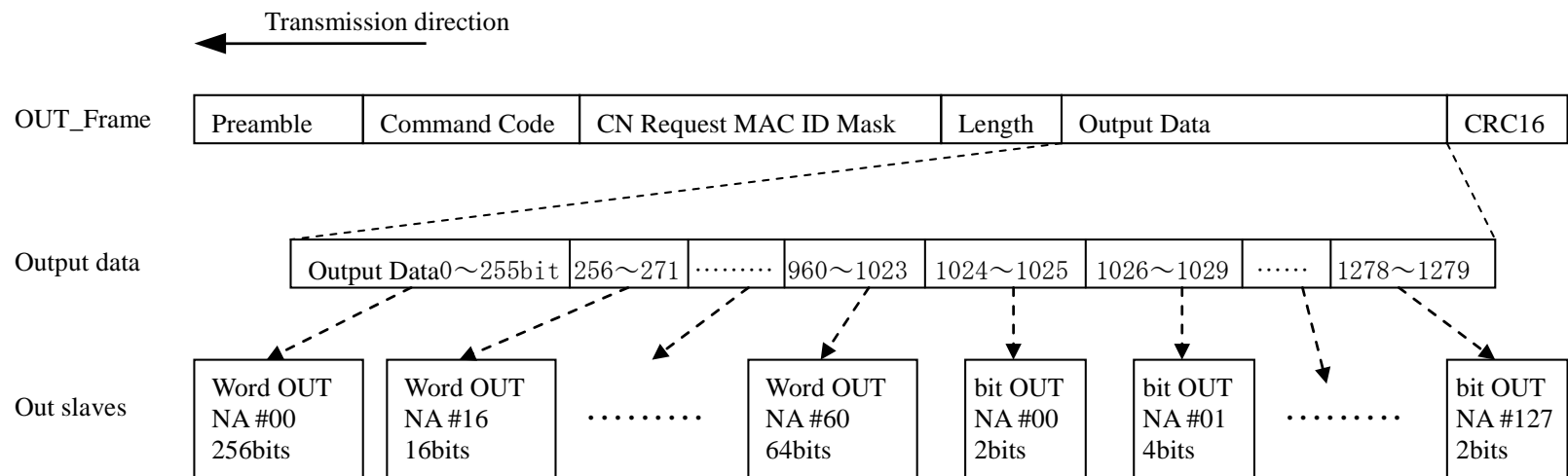
Timing chart (No consideration about cable delay and fluctuation of repeaters and slaves)



# Highly efficient frames

- ▶ CompoNet has OUT, TRG, BEACON, CN, IN, A\_EVENT, B\_EVENT frames.
- ▶ OUT frames transmit data in multicast to improve transmission efficiency from masters and slaves.
- ▶ OUT and IN frames can change length according to their data length. A\_EVENT and B\_EVENT frames can the same.

Relationship between OUT\_Frame and OUT Slave data acquisition



# Highly serviceable Protocol (1)

## Simplified start-up and maintenance improve time efficiency.

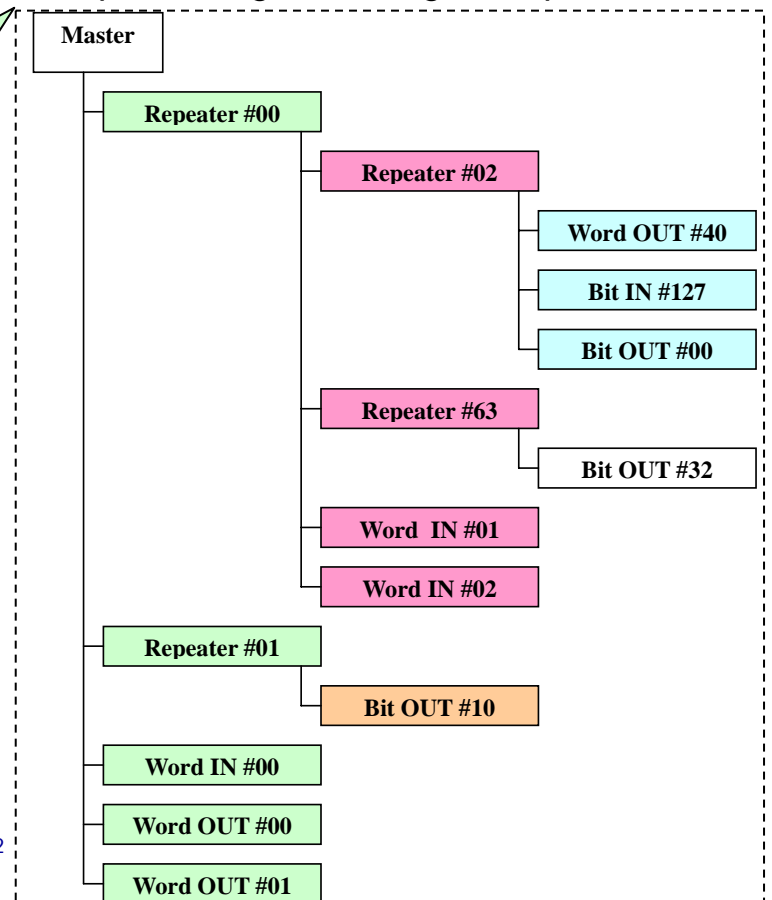
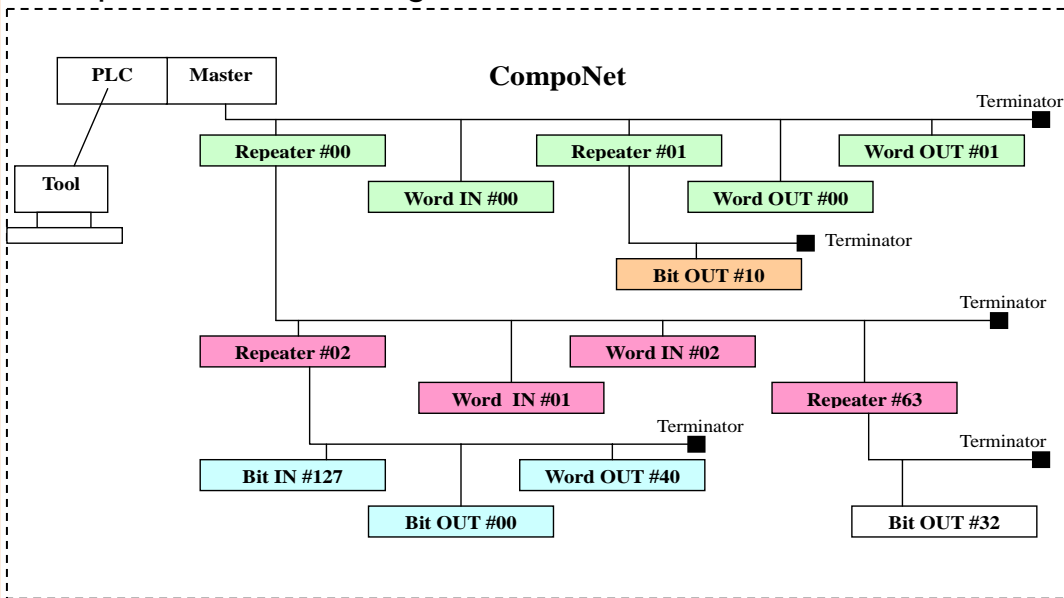
- ▶ Configuration control per segment:
  - Beacon and STR frames
  - Network management by the master
  
- ▶ Node alarming by slaves and repeaters:
  - Warning or alarming bit is provided in CN frames.
  
- ▶ Auto baud rate detection:
  - Data rate notification bit is provided in Beacon frames.
  
- ▶ Duplicated address detection:
  - Management of non-participated or participated status
  - CN frames
  - STW

# Highly serviceable Protocol (2)

- ▶ Master controls the network configuration per segment.
- ▶ With Beacon and STR frames, Master gets information about segment configuration and hold it.
- ▶ By using configuration tool, the data is quickly retrievable even through PLC and other CIP network.

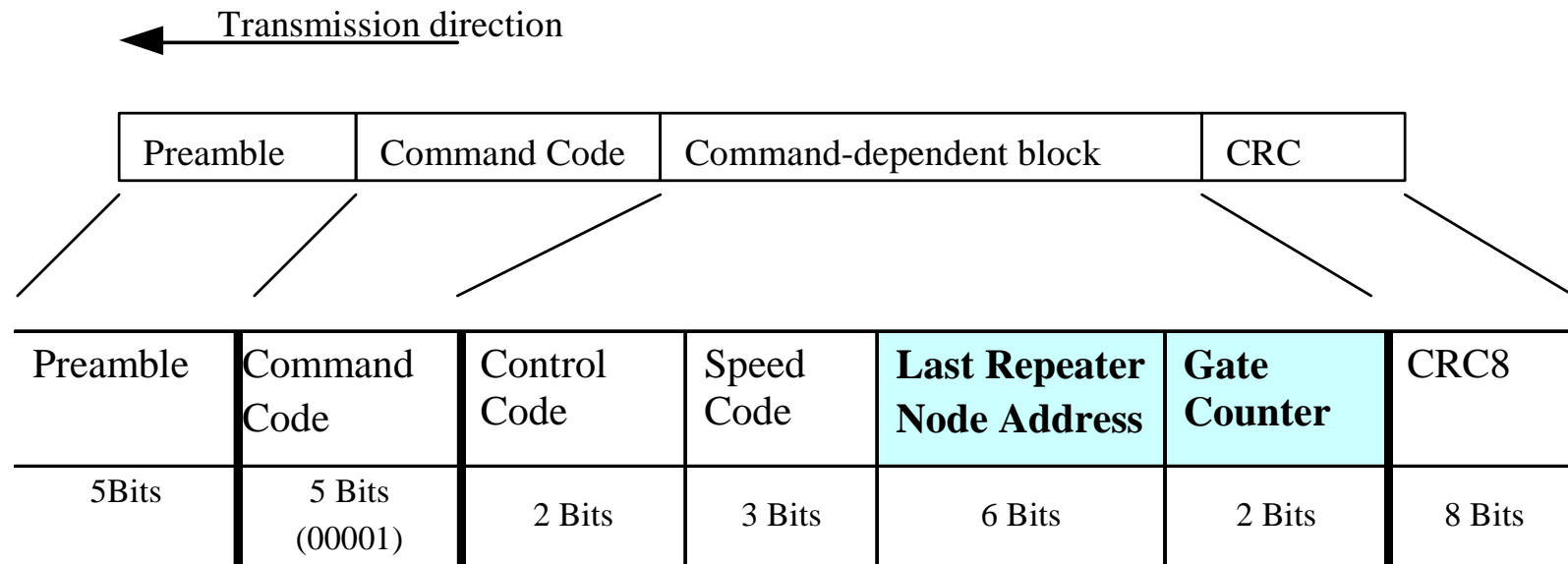
CompoNet Logical Wiring example

CompoNet Actual Wiring



# Highly serviceable Protocol (3)

## Beacon Frame



Command Code

BEACON frame

Control Code

The number of permissible CN frames

Speed Code

Transmission speed

**Last Repeater Node Address**

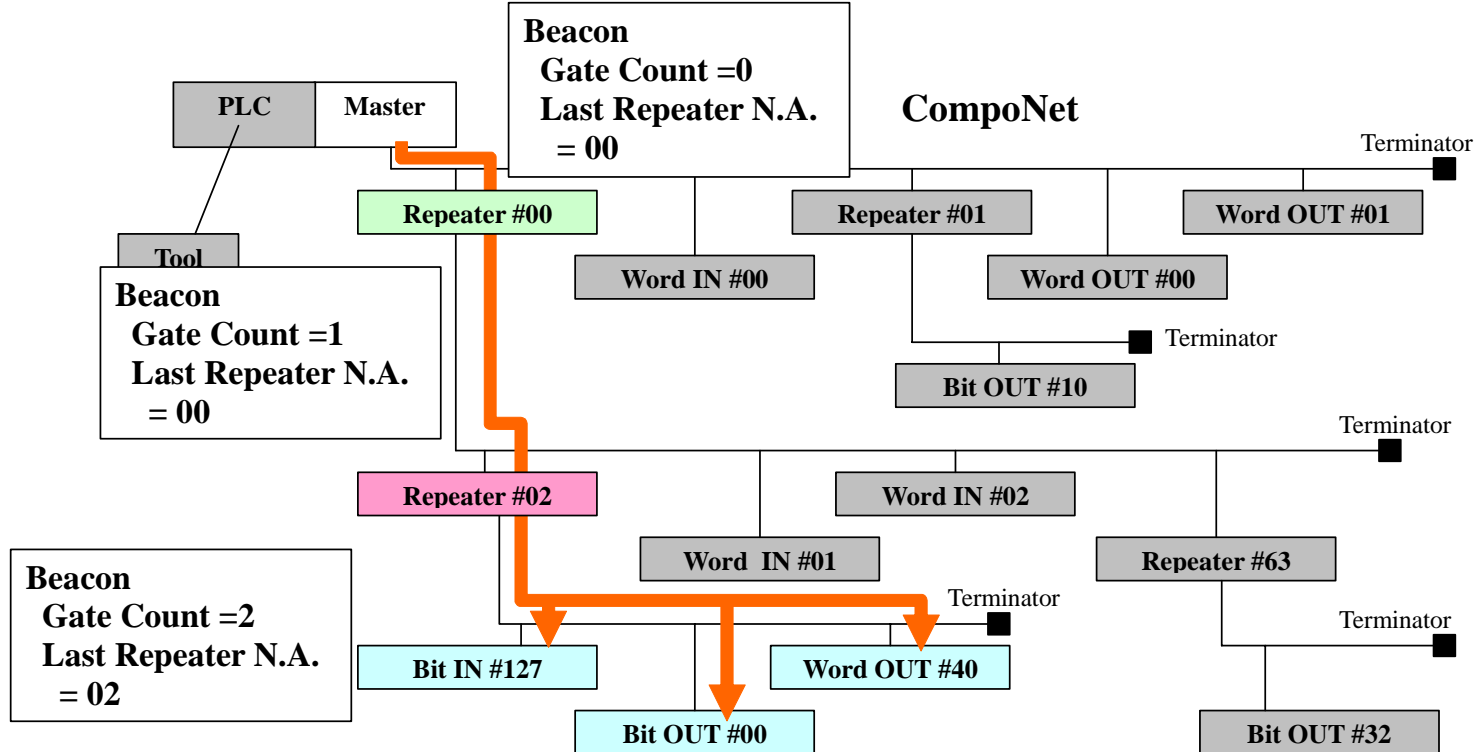
Address of the last repeater that the frame passed through

**Gate Count**

The number of repeaters that the frame passed through

# Highly serviceable Protocol (4)

- ▶ A master transmits Beacon\_Frame.
- ▶ Gate Count and Last Repeater Node Address in the Beacon\_Frame are overwritten as the frame run through a repeater.
- ▶ Beacons let the slaves and repeaters know on which layer they are connected. Slaves save the Gate Count and the Last Repeater Node Address.



Slaves and Repeaters receive and hold the Gate Count value and the Last Repeater Node Address.

# Highly serviceable Protocol(5)

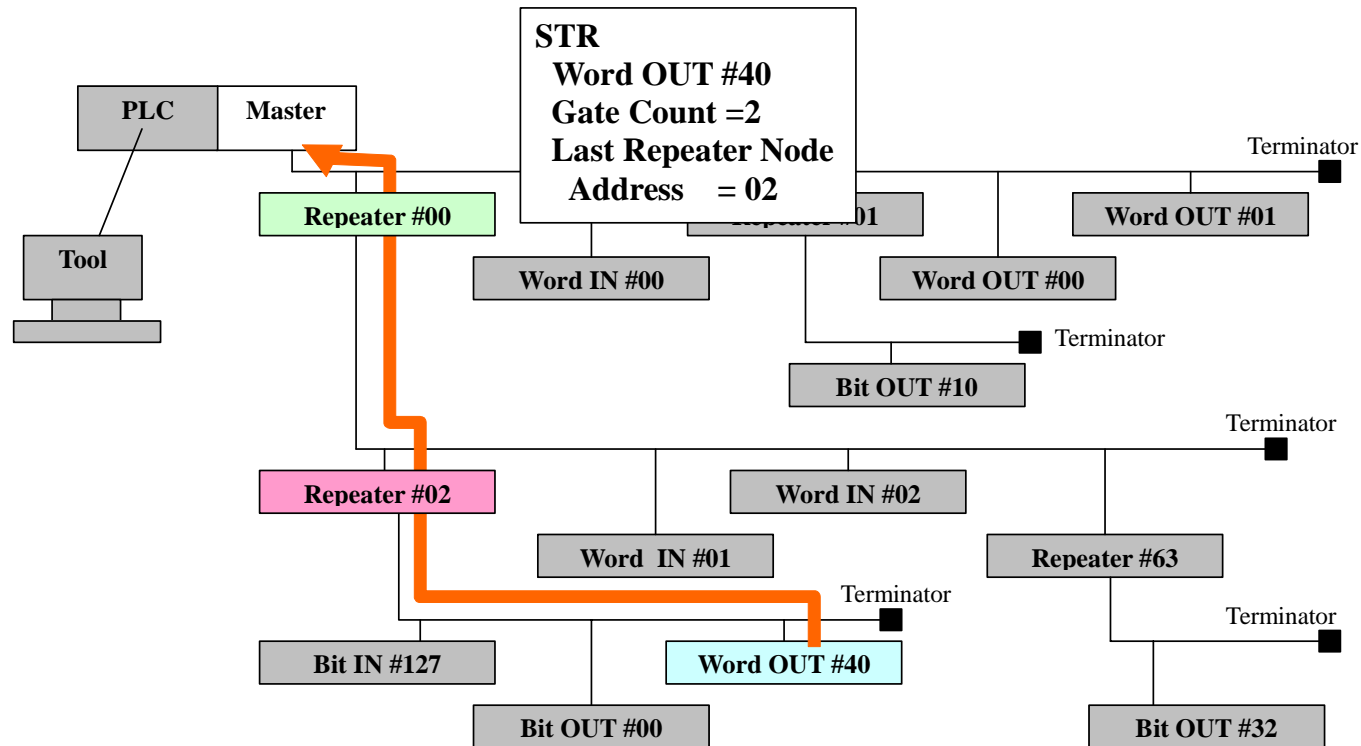
- ▶ STR is a part of B\_EVENT, and used for special purpose.
- ▶ STR stands for S**T**atus Read, and means that "master can conduct a S**T**atus Read operation to get information from a slave or a repeater."
- ▶ Information masters get from STR follows:

## information includes:

- **VendorID:** CompoNet vendor ID assigned by ODVA
- **SerialNumber:** Vendor-managed device-unique number
- **RepeaterMode:** True/False to indicate whether it is a repeater or a slave.
- **InIoModeStatus:** Status and length of input data
- **OutIoModeStatus:** Status and length of output data
- **GateCount:** the number of repeaters between this node and the master.
- **LastRepeaterNodeAddress:** the last repeater address.

# Highly serviceable Protocol(6)

- ▶ When requested by the master, a slave or repeater write the gate count and the last repeater node address onto the STR, and send it to the master.
- ▶ The STR notifies the master of which layer the requested slave is connected and of under which repeater it locates.



Slaves and Repeaters receive and hold the Gate Count # and the Last Repeater Address.



# Conclusion

▶ To the future

# Conclusion

CompoNet is expected to be used as standard network such as EtherNet/IP, DeviceNet in CIP family.

