

# New Test Challenges on FCoE

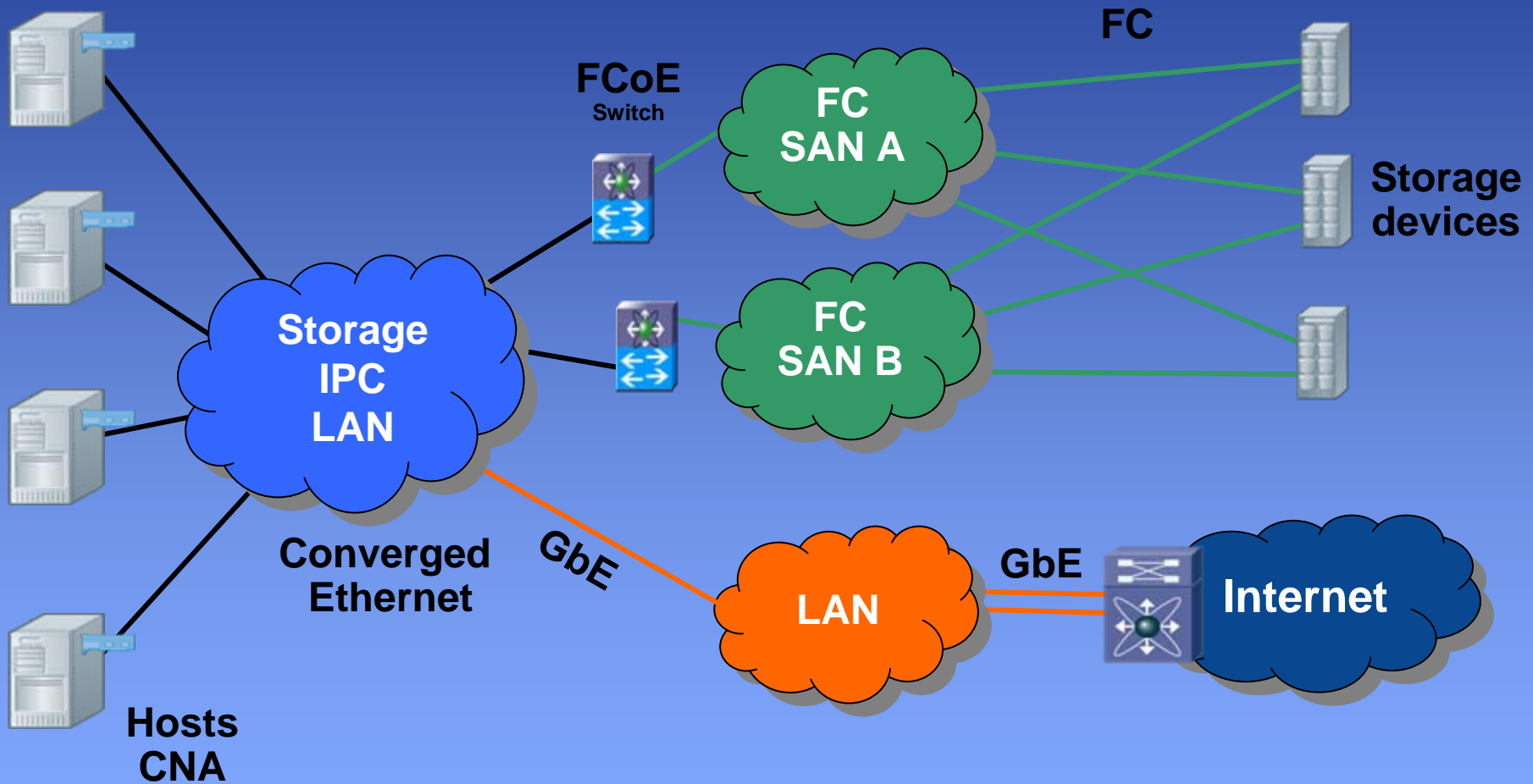
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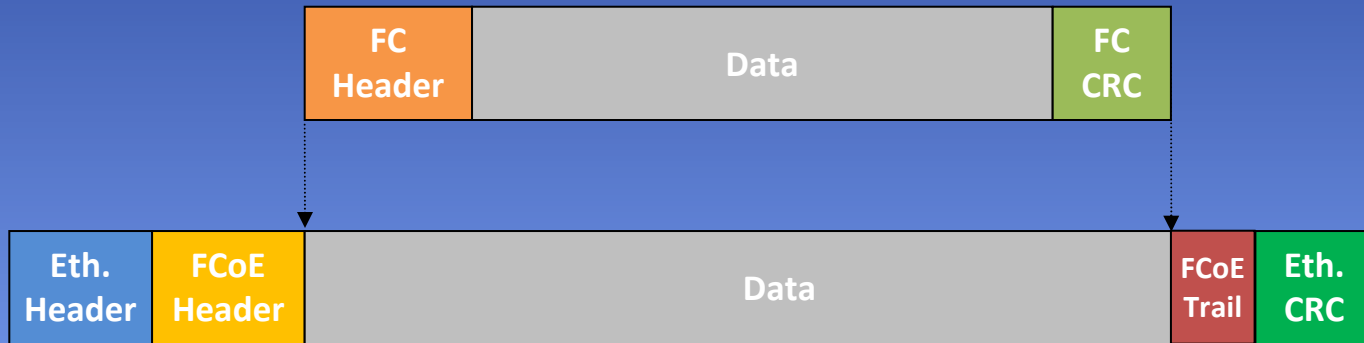
# Outline

- Technology overview
  - Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE)
  - Data Center Bridging (DCB)
- New testing challenges on FCoE
- Test case examples
- Summary

# Future Data Center Network

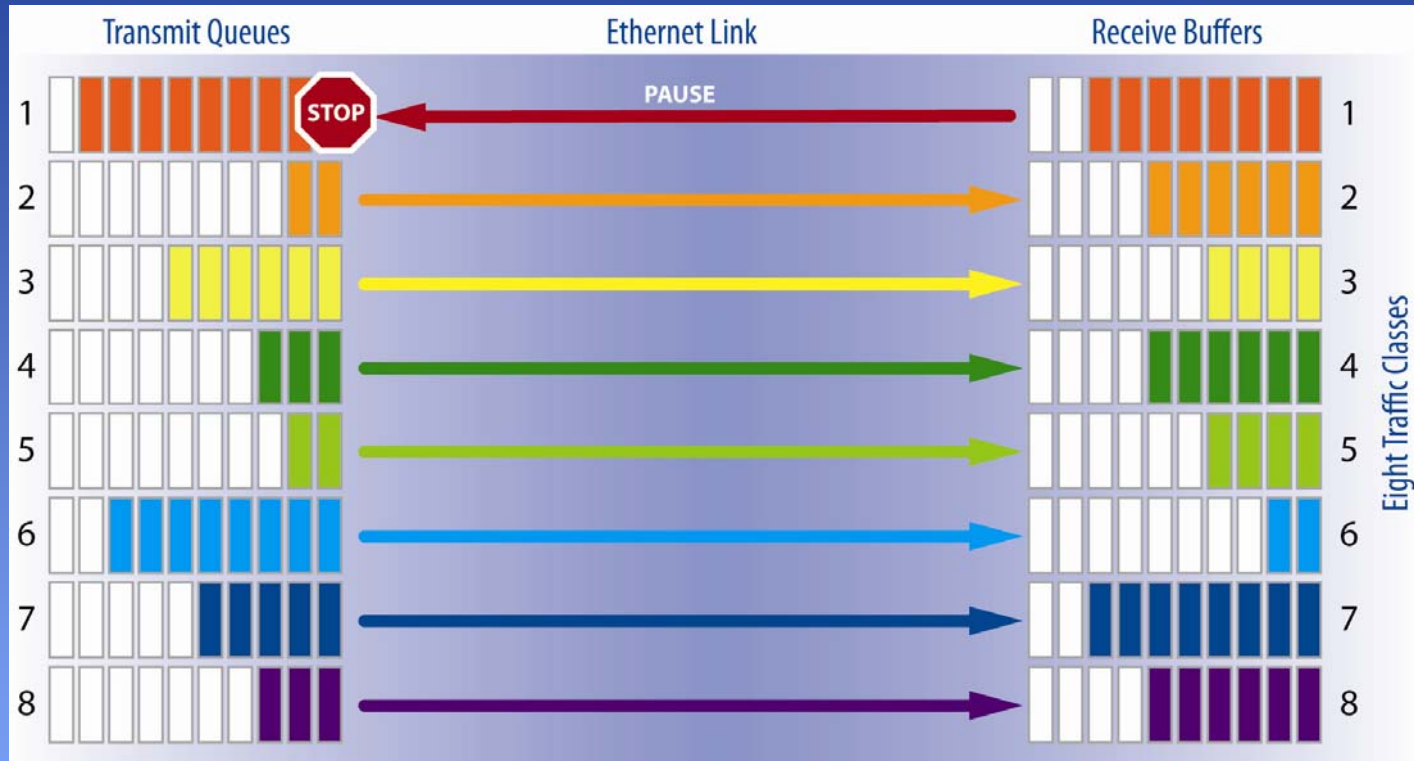


# Fibre Channel over Ethernet (FCoE)



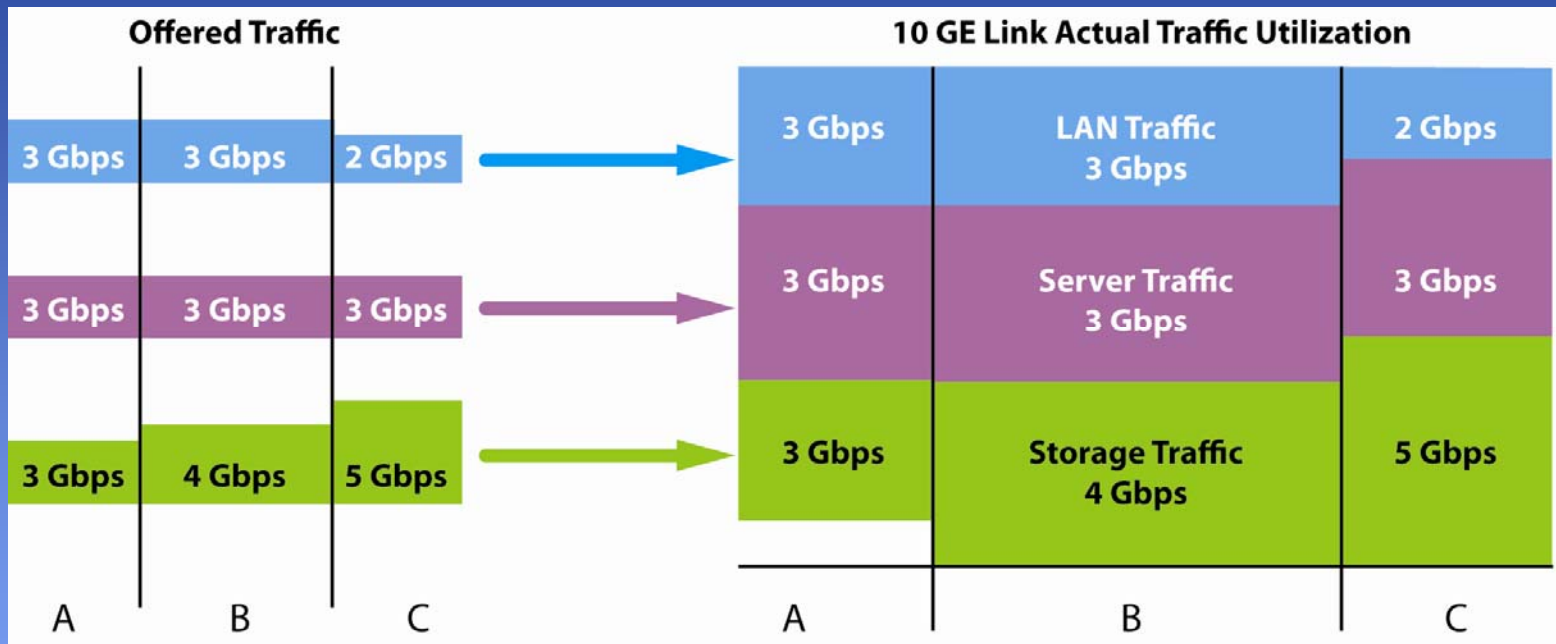
FCoE frame structure

# Priority-Based Flow Control (PFC)



- Traffic flow management, providing the same service that Buffer-to-Buffer flow control provides in Fibre Channel, but per Priority
- Based on IEEE802.3x PAUSE, made per-Priority

# Enhanced Transmission Selection (ETS)



- Defines the minimum guaranteed bandwidth among different priority groups
- Dynamically optimize bandwidth utilization among virtual links

# Key Focus on Testing FCoE and Converged Networks

- Verify new network components
  - Functional verification and protocol compliance
  - Benchmarking tests
- Verify converged networks
  - Seamless integration with existing infrastructures
  - Congestion management
  - Protocol compliance
  - Performance justification

# New Challenges on Testing FCoE

To successfully design and implement a converged Ethernet network with FCoE, you should ...

*think like  
a SAN Expert,  
not like  
a LAN Expert*



# Needs for Hardware Protocol Analysis Tools

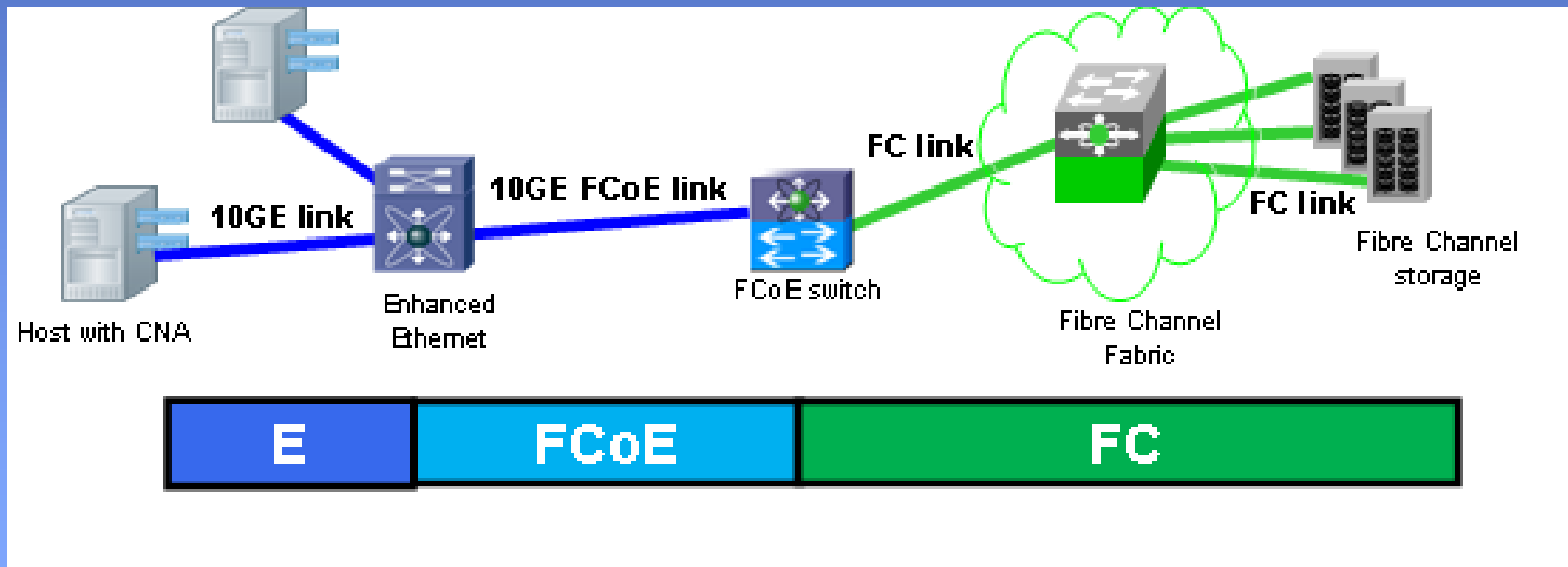
- LAN Ethernet analysis focuses on upper layer testing
  - Software tools satisfy many design and test needs
- FCoE is a transportation protocol
  - Hardware-based protocol analyzer is a must-have tool
  - Requires complete visibility of PFC and ETS behavior
  - Must monitor station-to-station activities



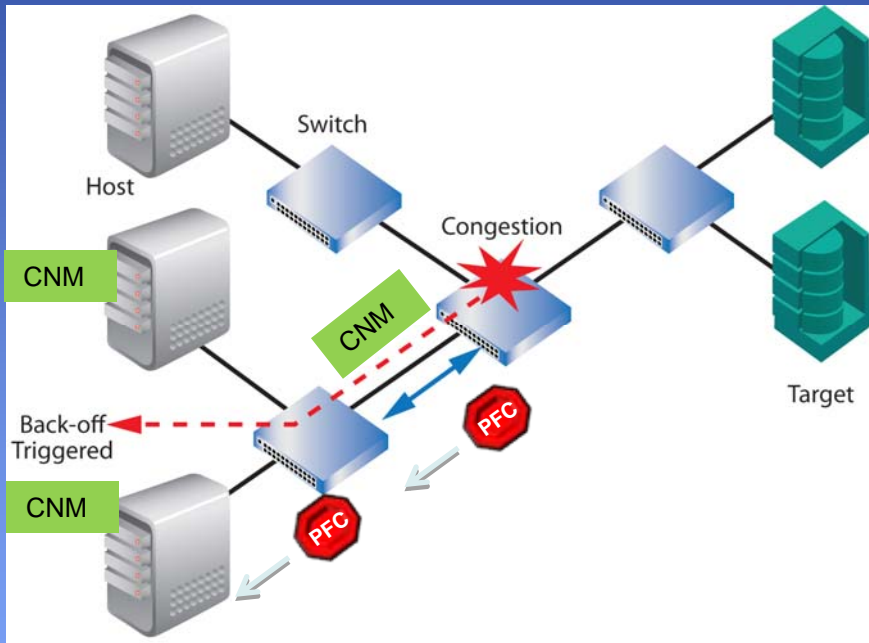
JDSU Xgig Protocol Test Platform

# Time Correlated Tests with Mixed Interfaces

- Mixed physical links and transport protocols in one network
  - FCoE maps native FC SAN to Ethernet

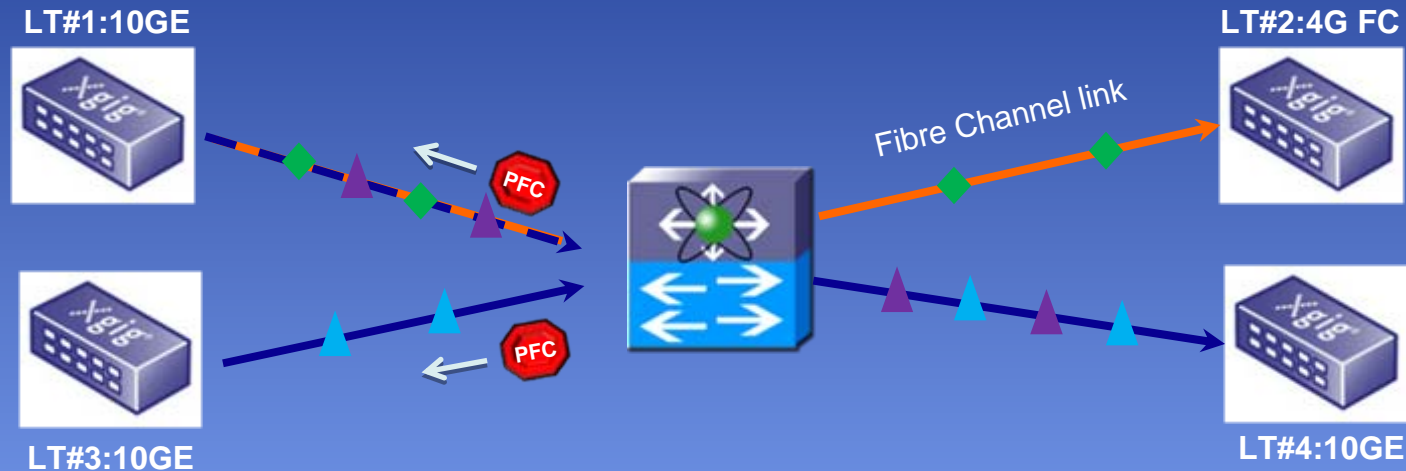


# Congestion Management (CN) Test in Converged Networks



- Need for in-line and large scale cross-port analysis
  - Managing PFC in a large size network
  - CN rate limiting involving end to end stations

# Test Flow Management with PFC



- Flow control correlation
  - Buffer-to-Buffer credits at FC versus PFC at FCoE
- Verify PFC and ETS load balancing
  - Over-subscribe LT#4 to cause load limiting at both LT#1 and LT#3

# PFC Verification and Metrics



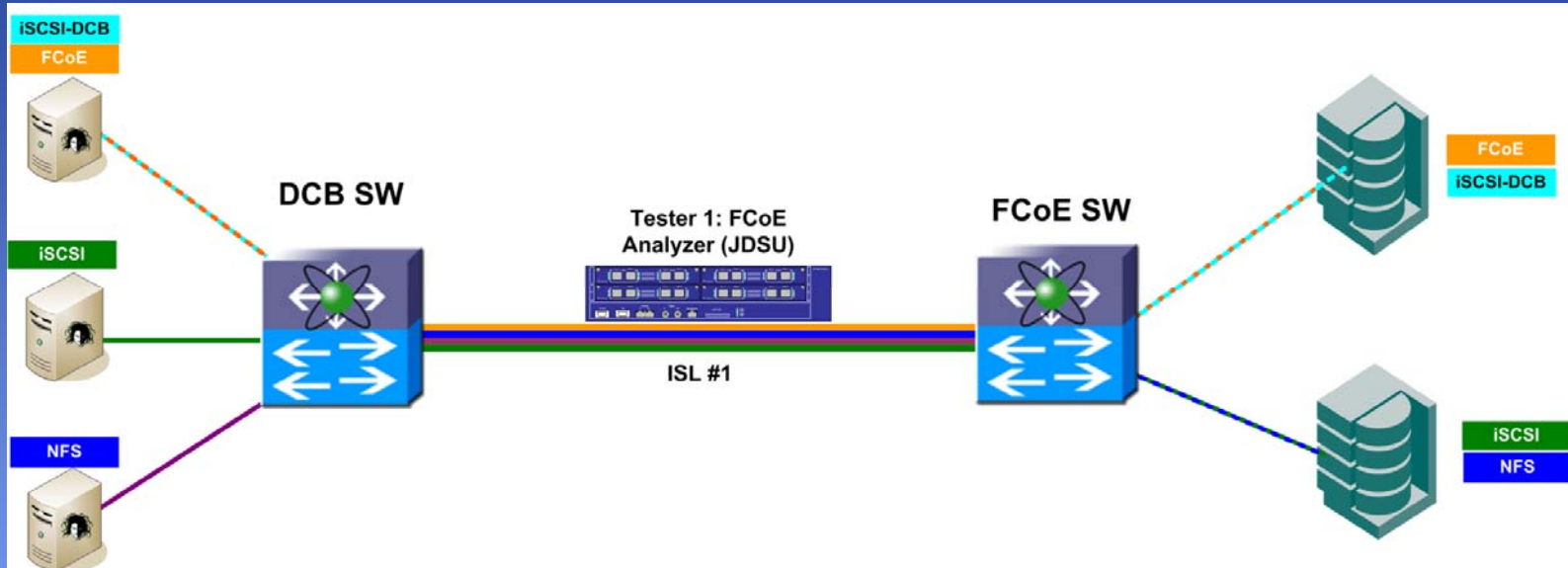
Analyzer shows how PFC interacts with I/O

## Gigabit Ethernet - PFC Flow Control Timings

GE LT1 RX (SW)(1,1,1) / GE LT1 TX(1,1,2)	<u>% PFC Pause Time</u>	<u>PFC Pause Time (Avg. - us)</u>	<u>PFC Pause Time (Min - us)</u>	<u>PFC Pause Time (Max - us)</u>	<u>Frame overlap time (Avg. - us)</u>
Cisco Systems:B1:19:10 -> IEEE Std 802.3x Full Duplex PAUSE operation	66.440	54.141	45.113	58.588	0.000
VLAN 100 ; Cisco Systems:B1:19:00 -> VLAN 100 ; 0e:fc:00:94:00:52	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

PFC metrics from Analyzer

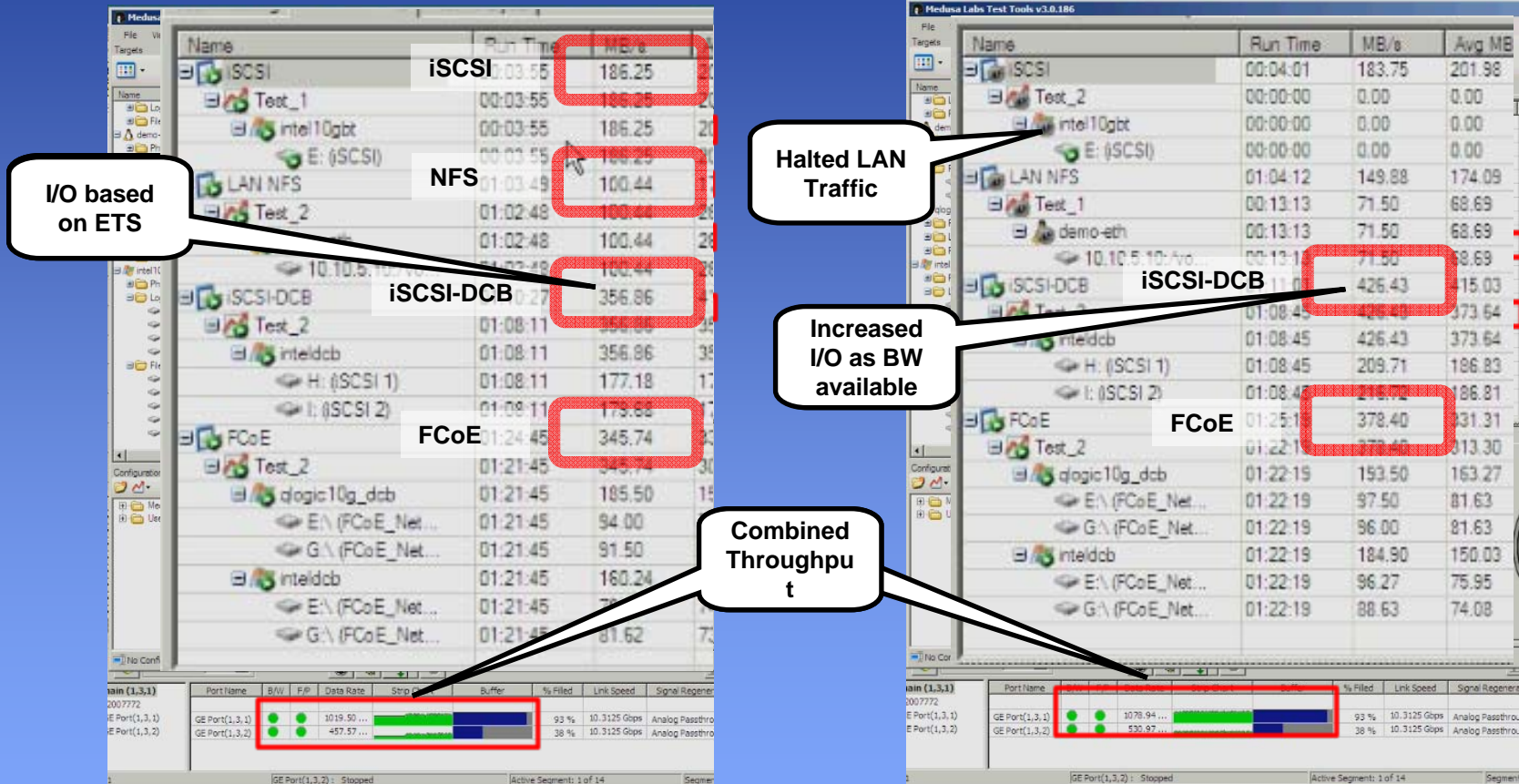
# Dynamic Load Balancing with ETS



## ETS Parameters

Traffic	PCP	%Band Width
FCoE	3	35%
iSCSI-DCB	5	35%
LAN (iSCSI/NFS)	0	30%

# Dynamic Load Balancing with ETS



# Summary

- New challenges on Ethernet testing by FCoE
  - Change LAN test focus to SAN!
  - Need hardware-based tools for high speed testing
  - Need time-synced testing among FC and FCoE links
  - Need in-line tools for comprehensive congestion management testing



**THANK YOU!**

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# QUESTIONS?

