



# Multi-Vendor Carrier Ethernet Interoperability Test 2008

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# Agenda

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- Participants and Testing Goals
- Growth Areas
- Interoperability Achieved
- Service Provider Feedback
  - Interested areas
  - Snapshot

# Participating Vendors

Alcatel-Lucent 

 **IXIA**<sup>®</sup>

  
**SPIRENT**<sup>®</sup>  
Communications

 **tellabs**<sup>®</sup>

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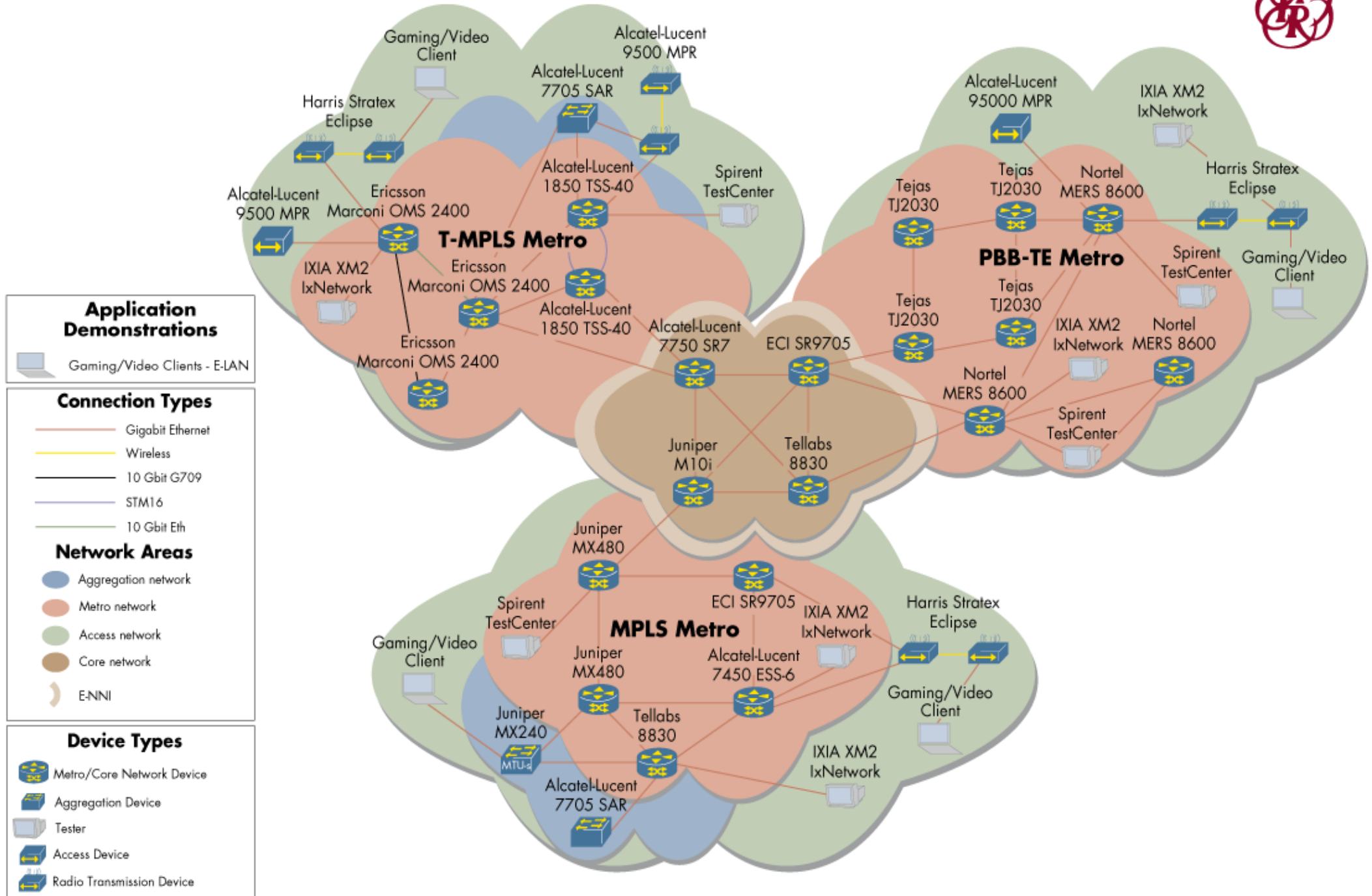
  
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# Testing Goals

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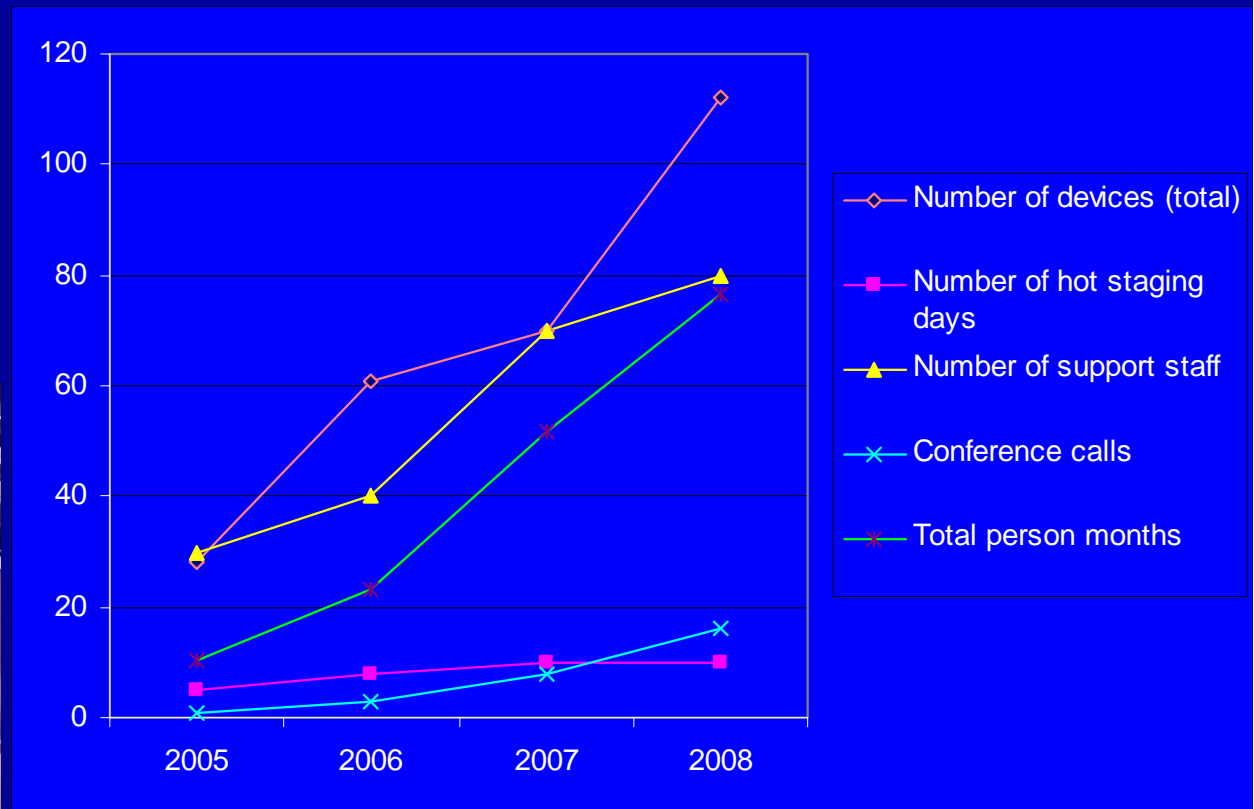
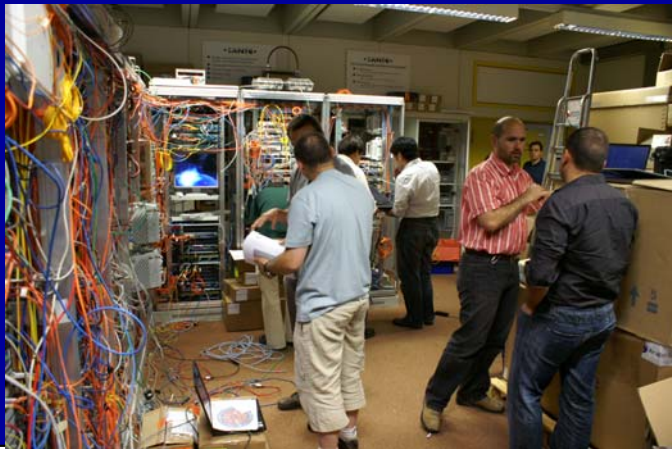
Progress Multi-Vendor interoperability of Carrier Ethernet Services

- Verify protocol implementations with other leading vendors
- Showcase the industry's current state and advances



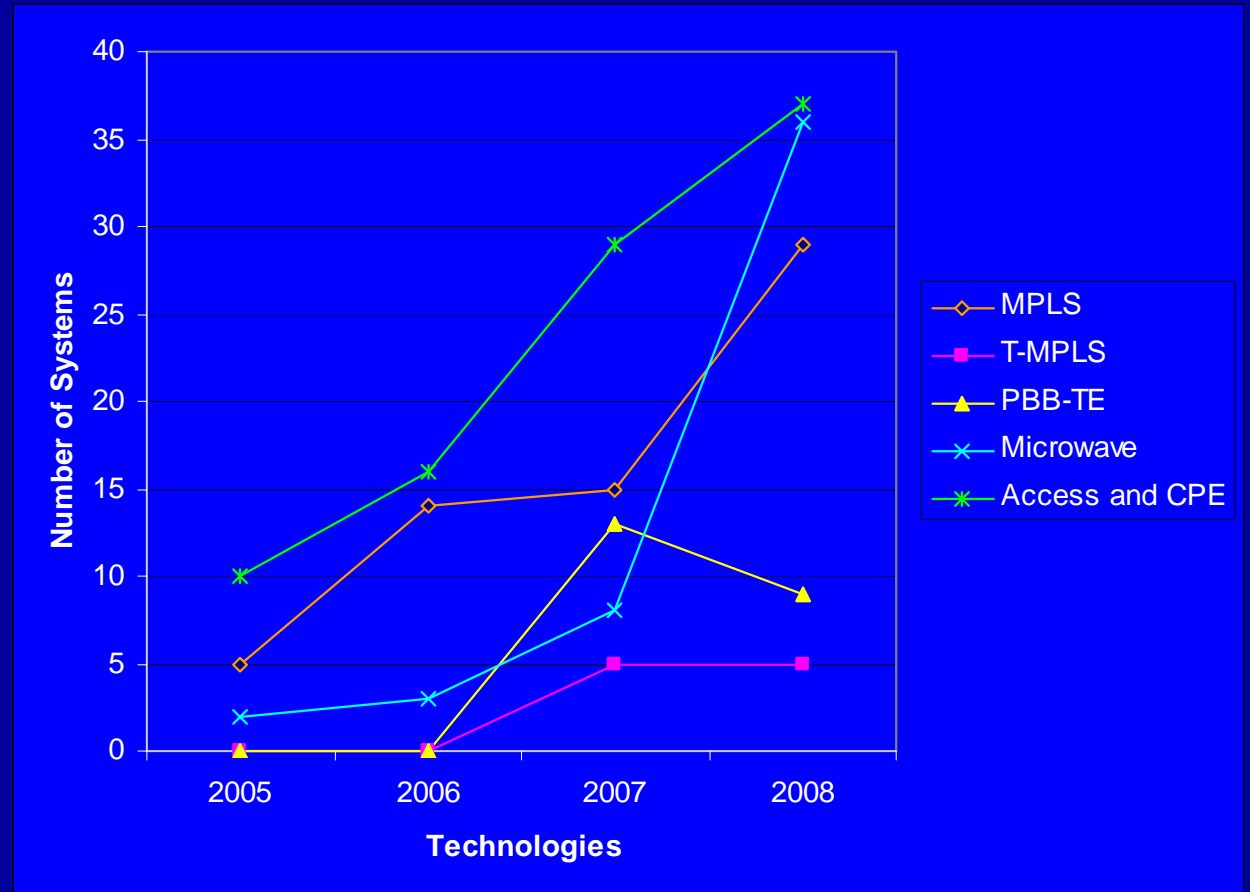
# Hot Staging

- 110+ devices, 16 racks, 80 engineers, total 6 person years
- Prepared since April
- Two weeks of testing at EANTC in August
- 330 single tests



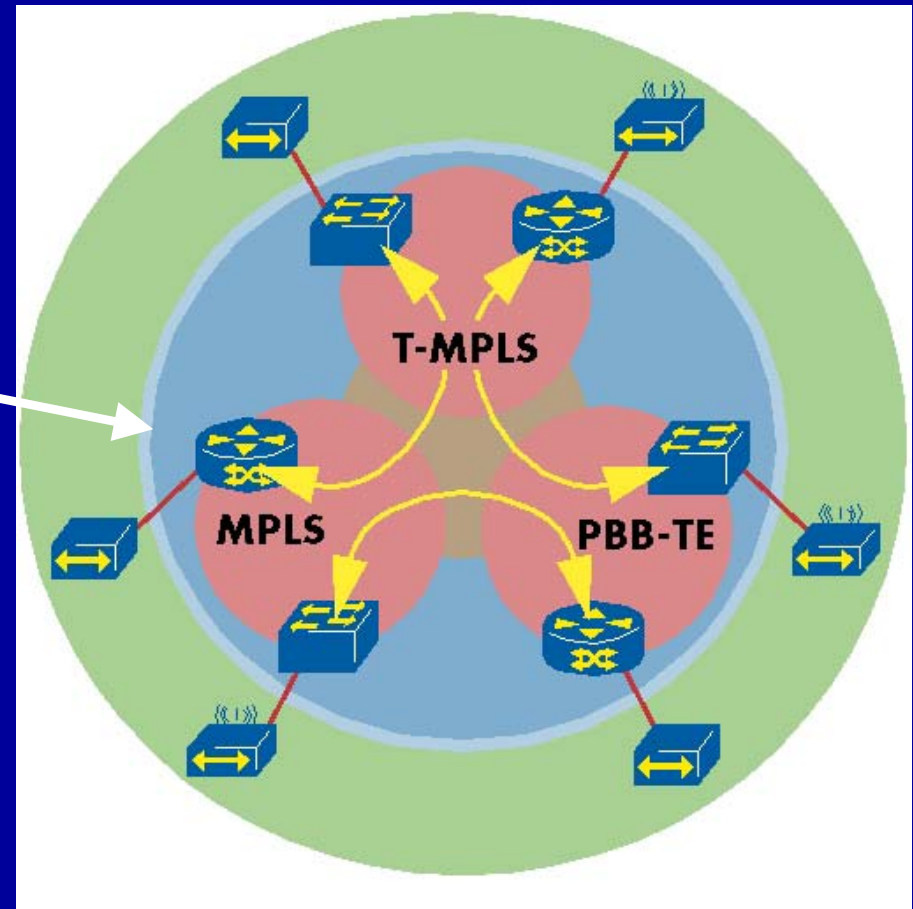
# Carrier Ethernet Transport Technologies

- Metro technologies MPLS, PBB-TE, T-MPLS compete and collaborate
- Steady growth of access/CPE solutions
- Rapid growth of Ethernet-based microwave solutions



# Test Network Design Philosophy

- End-to-end Carrier Ethernet services
- Well-defined interfaces: UNI-N and UNI-C
- Metro/Aggregation
- Core backbone
- Core/Metro interfaces (Draft E-NNI)





# Interest in Interoperability Event at Carrier Ethernet World Congress

2007	2008
<p>Larger crowd initially Interest subsided starting on second day Metro technology battle dominated – deployment questions rarely raised</p>	<p>Sustained, substantial interest over all 3 days Interop event covered by many conf. presentations Detailed questions – SPs are in POC tests / deployment, coming across interoperability challenges now</p>

# Service Provider Questionnaire Responses

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Algeria Telecom

Belgacom

Brazil Telecom

Broadband Infracore

British Telecom

Colt Telecom

GTS Novera

GVT

Orange UK

PT Prime

Swisscom

Telecom Italia

Telecom New Zealand

Turk Cell

T-Com / T-Systems

Telefonica

Versatel

Vodafone

(28 in total)

Questionnaire

# Relevance of Interoperability Areas

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1. Ethernet OAM
2. Ethernet Service Types (E-Line, E-LAN, E-Tree)  
+ Performance Monitoring and Reporting
3. Metro Transport (MPLS, MPLS-TP, PBB-TE)

# Results Highlights:

## Ethernet OAM – Service OAM

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### Continuity Fault Management (IEEE 802.1ag)

- Widely supported
- Fully interoperable three functions
  - Continuity Check, Link Trace, Loopback
- Added Remote Defect Indication tests

# Results Highlights: Ethernet OAM – Link OAM

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## Ethernet in the First Mile (IEEE 802.3ah)

- Tremendous level of support
- Discovery, loopback generally interoperable
- Dying Gasp generation on CPE devices

# Results Highlights:

## Ethernet OAM - Performance Monitoring

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Can you trust your PM? (Y.1731)

- New area – first interoperability achieved
- Verify accuracy of reporting against configured impairment

# Applicability to UNI

UNI Type	Requirements	Status
1	VLAN Support	Tested
2.1	Service OAM, Enhanced UNI Attributes, L2CP	Tested
2.2	Service OAM, Link OAM Protection	Tested

Questionnaire

# Relevance of Interoperability Areas (2)

4. **Metro Ethernet Security (new)**
5. Access Technologies
  - + Carrier Ethernet for Business
  - + Bandwidth Profile Service Attributes
6. E-NNI



# Results Highlights:

## External Network to Network Interface (E-NNI)

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Interface between administrative boundaries

- Remains critical, but no single solution standardized yet
- Peering effort high to date
- Simple yet static – Provider Bridging (Draft MEF E-NNI standard)
- Complex yet dynamic – MPLS Pseudowire Stitching (IETF)

Questionnaire

# Least Relevant Interoperability Areas?

1. IEEE Resilience (Shortest Path Bridging)
2. Circuit Emulation and ATM Pseudowires
3. Carrier Ethernet for Residential Triple Play
4. Provisioning and Dynamic Control Plane

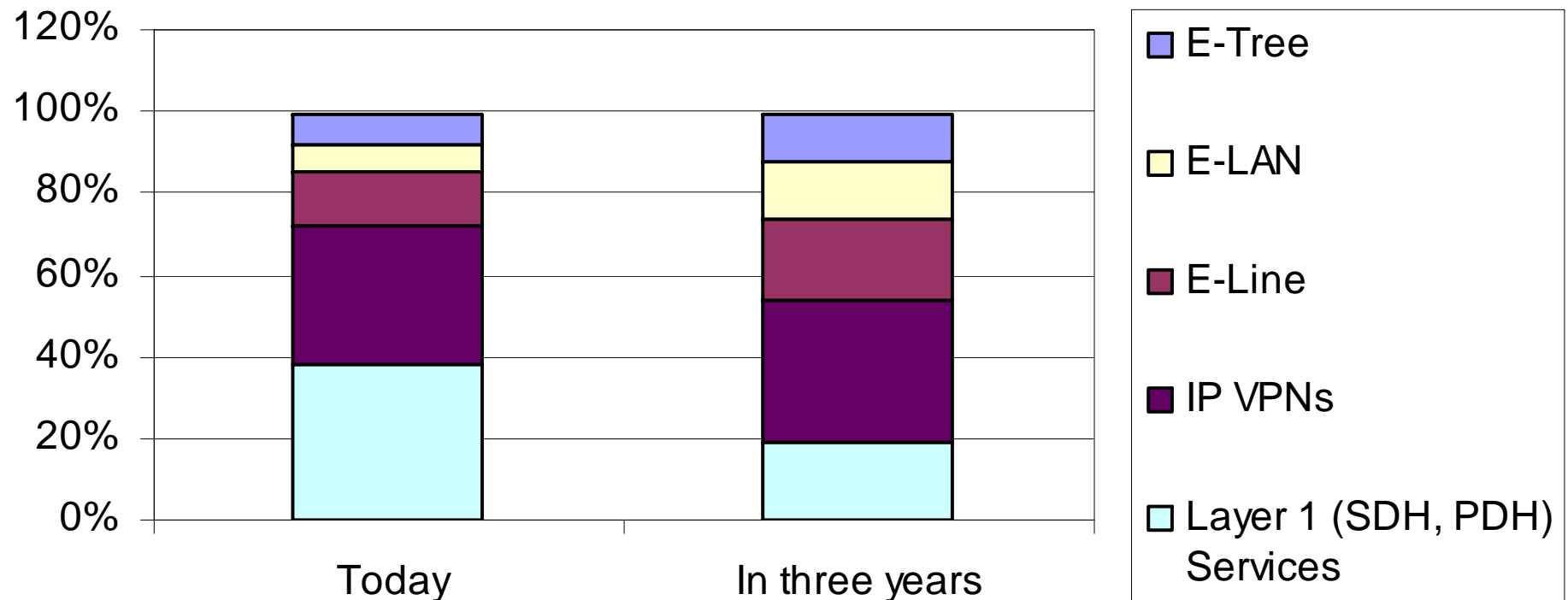
Interpretation:

- Service providers attending CEWC focus business services (not mobile backhaul, triple play) today
- Standardized resilience is an open question

## Questionnaire

# Use of Carrier Ethernet Services

### Service Split Between Technologies



# Outlook – EANTC Interop Plans for '09

- Plan to start migration testing of T-MPLS towards MPLS-TP in 02/2009
- Deep dive interoperability testing in Ethernet OAM
- Focus Carrier Ethernet access technologies for business customers – DSL, FTTx, Wimax, ...
- Validate advances in OTN (Optical transport network) and its integration with switched/routed services
- Rigid multipoint / multicast service testing

# Further Information

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EANTC edited a detailed, unbiased test report

- Paper copies available at the interop showcase here at the conference

- Available online:

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