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# Study of different types of network cables

Aim: Study different types of network cables

a) understand different types of network cables

Different kinds of cables in networking

1) Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP) cable

2) Shielded Twisted Pair (STP) cable

3) Coaxial Cable

4) Fiber optic cable

Ques:

Cable Type	Category	Maximum Data Rate	Advantages/Disadvantages	Applications
UTP	Category 3	10 Mbps	<u>Advantages:</u> * Cheap in cost * Easy to install as they have a small overall diameter	10-base T Ethernet
	Category 5	With 100 mbps	* More prone to EMI Interference and noise	Fast Ethernet
	Category 5e	1 Gbps		
STP	Category 6, 6a	10 Gbps	<u>Advantages</u> * Shielded * Faster than UTP * less susceptible to noise and interference	Gigabit Ethernet 10G Ethernet Widely used in data cabling
SSTP	Category 7	10 Gbps	<u>Disadvantages</u> * Expensive * greater insulation	Gigabit Ethernet 10G-Ethernet (100m)

cross cable	RJ-45	10-100 Mbps	Advantages
	RJ-59		• High bandwidth
	RJ-11		• gamma to inf
fibro optics cable	Single-mode	100 Gbps	Disadvantages
	Multimode		• Limited jnction
			• Cost
			Advantages
			• High speed
			• High bandwidth
			• High Security
			• Long distance
			Disadvantages
			* Expensive
			* Requires skilled

### Student's Observation:

- 1) difference b/w Cross cable and Straight Cable?
- 2) A straight cable connects different devices while cross cable connects similar by swapping transmit and receive wires.
- 3) Which type of cable is used to connect two PC?
- 4) Cross cable
- 5) Which cable is used to connect Router to PC?
- 6) Straight cable.

width  
to interface  
Speed  
is 500 Mbit/s  
Twisted pair  
High speed

4) Find the Category of twisted pair cables used to connect PC to the network socket?

A) Category 5e or category 6

5) Write down understanding challenges faced and output received?

- Learnt color coding and wiring standard
- Difficult in arranging wires in correct order

• Successfully made wiring cables that connected devices and enabled proper communication.

Result: Twisted pair type of network

Hence the different cables have been successfully made.