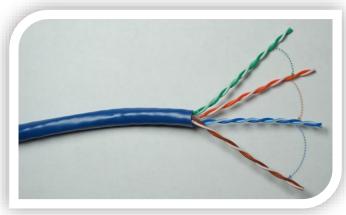


Twisted Pair Copper Cabling

- 4 Twisted Pairs of Wires with RJ-45 Connector
- Balanced pair operation
 - o + & Signals
 - Equal & Opposite Signal
- Why are they twisted?
 - o To Help Reduce Interference
 - Crosstalk
 - Noise (Electromagnetic Interference)
- Security concerns
 - Signal Emanations
- 100 Meters Maximum Distance
 - Signal Attenuation







Shielded vs. Unshielded & EMI

Unshielded Twisted Pair (UTP)

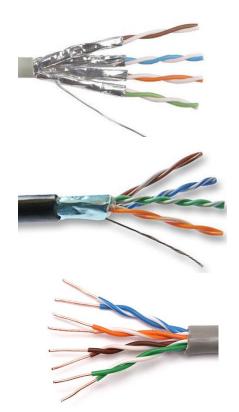
 More susceptible to electromagnetic interference (EMI).

Shielded Twisted Pair (STP)

 Less susceptible to EMI & Crosstalk (if each pair shielded).

Electromagnetic Interference

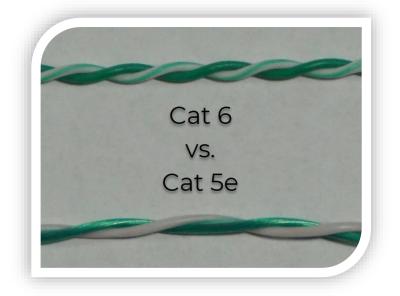
 The disruption of an electronic device's operation when it's in the vicinity of an electromagnetic field caused by another electronic device (manufacturing equipment, microwave ovens, etc.).





Roles of Twists

- Increased twists per inch:
 - Reduces Crosstalk
 - Increases Signals
 - Supports Faster Speeds





Twisted Pair Standards

Cat	Network Type	Ethernet Standard	Speed	Max. Distance	Frequency
Cat 3	Ethernet	10Base-T	10Mbps	100 meters	16 MHz
Cat 5	Fast Ethernet	100Base-TX	100Mbps	100 meters	100 MHz
Cat 5e	Gigabit Ethernet	1000Base-T	1Gbps	100 meters	100 MHz
Cat 6	Gigabit Ethernet 10 Gigabit Ethernet	1000Base-T 10GBase-T	1Gbps 10Gbps	100 meters 55 meters	250 MHz
Cat 6a	10 Gigabit Ethernet	10GBase-T	10Gbps	100 meters	500 MHz
Cat 7	10 Gigabit Ethernet	10GBase-T	10Gbps	100 meters	600 MHz

Cat: Copper Cabling Standard.



Other Copper Cable Connectors

RJ-11

 4-pin connection used for telephone connections.



DB-25

 25-pin connection previously commonly used for serial printer connections.



DB-9

 9-pin connection used for serial connections on networking devices

