

## CAT6A

Category 6A, ISO Class EA with a bandwidth of 500 MHz, can be used for 100 Mbps, 1000 Mbps and 10 Gigabit Ethernet networks with a maximum length of 100 meters. Besides Ethernet, these cables are also suitable for other protocols, such as Profinet, ATM, Token Ring and RS-232 up to a distance of 100 meters.















The different cable types with the corresponding shielding									
U/UTP Unshielded twisted pa	F/UTP Twisted pair cable ir. with foil shielding.	SF/UTP Twisted pair cable with foil and braided shielding.	U/FTP Twisted pair cable with foil shielding for each wire pair separately.	S/FTP Twisted pair cable with foil shielding for each wire pair plus additional braided shielding wrapped around all pairs.					
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Colour	Shielding	Outer Jacket	AWG	305m box
Grey	U/UTP	PVC	24	<u>EP400B</u>
Red	U/UTP	PVC	24	<u>EP455B</u>
Blue	U/UTP	PVC	24	<u>EP456B</u>
Green	U/UTP	PVC	24	<u>EP457B</u>
Yellow	U/UTP	PVC	24	<u>EP458B</u>
Black	U/UTP	PVC	24	<u>EP459B</u>
Grey	S/FTP	PVC	26	<u>FP700B</u>

ALT CAT6A U/UTP Solid twisted pair installation cable							
Colour	Shielding	Outer Jacket	AWG	CPR level	DoP	305m reel	500m reel
	U/UTP	PVC	23	Eca	1186892	XS6103	XS6105
Purple	U/UTP	LSZH	23	Eca	1186891	XS6113	XS6115
Grey	F/UTP	PVC	24	Eca	1186889	<u>FS6103</u>	<u>FS6105</u>
Purple	F/UTP	LSZH	24	Eca	1186890	<u>FS6113</u>	<u>FS6115</u>
Grey	F/UTP	PVC	23	B2ca	1175345	XS6120	XS6121



# CAT6A - connecting hardware



ACT Modular surface mount box CAT6A



Description	Description	Connector	Туре по.
Shielded	Modular surface mount box	1 x RJ45, 1 x IDC	<u>FA7005</u>
Shielded	Modular surface mount box	2 x RJ45, 2 x IDC	<u>FA7004</u>
Shielded	Modular surface mount box	8 x RJ45, 8 x IDC	<u>FA7001</u>
Keystone outlet	In-Wall keystone jack box	2 x keystone jack	<u>FA6010</u>

# **ALT** Keystone CAT6A



Description	Cable attachment	Colour	Type no.					
Unshielded toolfree	Down	Black	<u>TD6016</u>					
Unshielded toolfree	Down	White	<u>TD6017</u>					
Shielded punch down	Back	Metal	<u>TD6511</u>					
Shielded punch down	Down	Metal	<u>TD6023</u>					
Shielded toolfree	Back	Metal	<u>TD6510</u>					
Keystone coupler RJ45 Shielded	Back	Metal	<u>SD6519</u>					
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## Compatible with all listed keystones



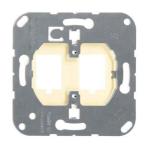




Peha\* 740011



Busch-Jaeger\* 2CKA001753A8055



569-2NWE / CD569-2NWEWW

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# ALT Patch panel CAT6A



Description	Ports	Connector	Type no.
Shielded	24 Ports	RJ45, IDC	<u>PP1020</u>
Keystone panel	24 Ports	Suitable for mounting keystones	<u>PP1030</u>
Shielded	Consolidation point	8 x RJ45, 8 x IDC	<u>FA7001</u>

# ALT Multimedia inserts/keystones



Description	Type no.
LC Duplex adapter Singlemode/Multimode	<u>TD4101</u>
HDMI 2.0 A-A female	<u>TD4102</u>
HDMI 2.0 A-A female angled	<u>TD4103</u>
USB 3.2 Gen1 A-A female	<u>TD4104</u>
USB 3.2 Gen2 C-C female	<u>TD4105</u>

## Compatible with ACT hardware such as PP1030, FA6010/11/12



## **ALT** Connectors CAT6A



Description		Type no.
Shielded	Suitable for solid and flexible cable with positioning block, AWG24 (1.2 mm)	<u>FA2000</u>
Shielded	Suitable for solid and flexible cable with positioning block, AWG23 (1.5 mm)	<u>FA2001</u>

## **ACT** Tools



Description	Description					
Krone punch tool	LSA plus	<u>64172K</u>				
UTP cable stripper	For flat and round cables	<u>FHT501</u>				
Punch tool	For 110 block	<u>TD060</u>				
Modular crimping tool	Strip, cut the cable - crimp the connectors on the cable (AWG23/24 cores)	<u>WL2000</u>				



# **ALT** CAT6A U/UTP PVC patch cable, AWG24 CU, 50μ gold-plated contacts

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Colour	0.25m	0.5m	1m	1.5m	2m	3m	5m	7m	10m	15m	20m
Ivory	<u>IB3352</u>	<u>IB3300</u>	<u>IB3301</u>	<u>IB3351</u>	<u>IB3302</u>	<u>IB3303</u>	<u>IB3305</u>	<u>IB3307</u>	<u>IB3310</u>	<u>IB3315</u>	<u>IB3320</u>
Grey	<u>IB3452</u>	<u>IB3400</u>	<u>IB3401</u>	<u>IB3451</u>	<u>IB3402</u>	<u>IB3403</u>	<u>IB3405</u>	<u>IB3407</u>	<u>IB3410</u>	<u>IB3415</u>	<u>IB3420</u>
Red		<u>IB3700</u>	<u>IB3701</u>	<u>IB3751</u>	<u>IB3702</u>	<u>IB3703</u>	<u>IB3705</u>	<u>IB3707</u>	<u>IB3710</u>	<u>IB3715</u>	<u>IB3720</u>
Blue		<u>IB3800</u>	<u>IB3801</u>	<u>IB3851</u>	<u>IB3802</u>	<u>IB3803</u>	<u>IB3805</u>	<u>IB3807</u>	<u>IB3810</u>	<u>IB3815</u>	<u>IB3820</u>
Green		<u>IB3900</u>	<u>IB3901</u>	<u>IB3951</u>	<u>IB3902</u>	<u>IB3903</u>	<u>IB3905</u>	<u>IB3907</u>	<u>IB3910</u>	<u>IB3915</u>	<u>IB3920</u>
Yellow		<u>IB4100</u>	<u>IB4101</u>	<u>IB4151</u>	<u>IB4102</u>	<u>IB4103</u>	<u>IB4105</u>	<u>IB4107</u>	<u>IB4110</u>	<u>IB4115</u>	<u>IB4120</u>
Black		<u>IB4200</u>	<u>IB4201</u>	<u>IB4251</u>	<u>IB4202</u>	<u>IB4203</u>	<u>IB4205</u>	<u>IB4207</u>	<u>IB4210</u>	<u>IB4215</u>	<u>IB4220</u>
Orange		<u>IB4300</u>	<u>IB4301</u>	<u>IB4351</u>	<u>IB4302</u>	<u>IB4303</u>	<u>IB4305</u>	<u>IB4307</u>	<u>IB4310</u>	<u>IB4315</u>	<u>IB4320</u>
Brown		<u>IB4400</u>	<u>IB4401</u>	<u>IB4451</u>	<u>IB4402</u>	<u>IB4403</u>	<u>IB4405</u>	<u>IB4407</u>	<u>IB4410</u>	<u>IB4415</u>	<u>IB4420</u>
Purple		<u>IB6600</u>	<u>IB6601</u>	<u>IB6651</u>	<u>IB6602</u>	<u>IB6603</u>	<u>IB6605</u>	<u>IB6607</u>	<u>IB6610</u>	<u>IB6615</u>	<u>IB6620</u>
Pink		<u>IB7300</u>	<u>IB7301</u>	<u>IB7351</u>	<u>IB7302</u>	<u>IB7303</u>	<u>IB7305</u>	<u>IB7307</u>	<u>IB7310</u>	<u>IB7315</u>	<u>IB7320</u>
White		<u>IB9300</u>	IB9301	<u>IB9351</u>	<u>IB9302</u>	<u>IB9303</u>	IB9305	<u>IB9307</u>	<u>IB9310</u>	<u>IB9315</u>	<u>IB9320</u>

# $\blacksquare$ CAT6A U/UTP PVC patch cable, AWG24 CU, 50 $\mu$ gold-plated contacts, in Zip-bag

Colour	0.9m	2m	5m	10m
Black	AC4000	AC4002	AC4005	AC4010



# **ALT** CAT6A U/UTP PVC snagless patch cable, AWG24 CU, 50μ gold-plated contactsn

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Colour	0.25m	0.5m	1m	1.5m	2m	2.5m	3m	4m	5m	7m	10m	15m	20m
Ivory	<u>IB3252</u>	<u>IB3200</u>	<u>IB3201</u>	<u>IB3251</u>	<u>IB3202</u>		<u>IB3203</u>		<u>IB3205</u>	<u>IB3207</u>	<u>IB3210</u>	<u>IB3215</u>	<u>IB3220</u>
Grey	<u>IB3052</u>	<u>IB3000</u>	<u>IB3001</u>	<u>IB3051</u>	<u>IB3002</u>	<u>IB3053</u>	<u>IB3003</u>	<u>IB3004</u>	<u>IB3005</u>	<u>IB3007</u>	<u>IB3010</u>	<u>IB3015</u>	<u>IB3020</u>
Red	<u>IB2552</u>	<u>IB2500</u>	IB2501	<u>IB2551</u>	<u>IB2502</u>		<u>IB2503</u>		<u>IB2505</u>	<u>IB2507</u>	<u>IB2510</u>	<u>IB2515</u>	<u>IB2520</u>
Blue	<u>IB2652</u>	<u>IB2600</u>	<u>IB2601</u>	<u>IB2651</u>	<u>IB2602</u>		<u>IB2603</u>		<u>IB2605</u>	<u>IB2607</u>	<u>IB2610</u>	<u>IB2615</u>	<u>IB2620</u>
Green	<u>IB2752</u>	<u>IB2700</u>	<u>IB2701</u>	<u>IB2751</u>	<u>IB2702</u>		<u>IB2703</u>		<u>IB2705</u>	<u>IB2707</u>	<u>IB2710</u>	<u>IB2715</u>	<u>IB2720</u>
Yellow	<u>IB2852</u>	<u>IB2800</u>	IB2801	<u>IB2851</u>	<u>IB2802</u>		<u>IB2803</u>		<u>IB2805</u>	IB2807	IB2810	<u>IB2815</u>	<u>IB2820</u>
Black	IB2952	<u>IB2900</u>	IB2901	IB2951	IB2902		IB2903		<u>IB2905</u>	IB2907	IB2910	IB2915	IB2920
Orange		<u>IB2100</u>	<u>IB2101</u>	<u>IB2151</u>	<u>IB2102</u>		<u>IB2103</u>		<u>IB2105</u>	<u>IB2107</u>	<u>IB2110</u>	<u>IB2115</u>	<u>IB2120</u>
Brown		<u>IB2200</u>	<u>IB2201</u>	<u>IB2251</u>	<u>IB2202</u>		<u>IB2203</u>		<u>IB2205</u>	<u>IB2207</u>	<u>IB2210</u>	<u>IB2215</u>	<u>IB2220</u>
Purple		<u>IB2300</u>	<u>IB2301</u>	<u>IB2351</u>	<u>IB2302</u>		<u>IB2303</u>		<u>IB2305</u>	<u>IB2307</u>	<u>IB2310</u>	<u>IB2315</u>	<u>IB2320</u>
Pink		<u>IB2400</u>	<u>IB2401</u>	<u>IB2451</u>	<u>IB2402</u>		<u>IB2403</u>		<u>IB2405</u>	<u>IB2407</u>	<u>IB2410</u>	<u>IB2415</u>	<u>IB2420</u>
White		<u>IB6300</u>	<u>IB6301</u>	<u>IB6351</u>	<u>IB6302</u>		<u>IB6303</u>		<u>IB6305</u>	<u>IB6307</u>	<u>IB6310</u>	<u>IB6315</u>	<u>IB6320</u>

# **ALT** CAT6A U/UTP LSZH patch cable, AWG24 CU, 50μ gold-plated contacts

Colour	0.25m	0.5m	1m	1.5m	2m	3m	5m	7m	10m	15m	20m
Ivory	<u>IB1052</u>	<u>IB1000</u>	<u>IB1001</u>	<u>IB1051</u>	<u>IB1002</u>	<u>IB1003</u>	<u>IB1005</u>	<u>IB1007</u>	<u>IB1010</u>	<u>IB1015</u>	<u>IB1020</u>
Grey	<u>IB1152</u>	<u>IB1100</u>	<u>IB1101</u>	<u>IB1151</u>	<u>IB1102</u>	<u>IB1103</u>	<u>IB1105</u>	<u>IB1107</u>	<u>IB1110</u>	<u>IB1115</u>	<u>IB1120</u>
Red		<u>IB1200</u>	<u>IB1201</u>	<u>IB1251</u>	<u>IB1202</u>	<u>IB1203</u>	<u>IB1205</u>	<u>IB1207</u>	<u>IB1210</u>		
Blue		<u>IB1300</u>	<u>IB1301</u>	<u>IB1351</u>	<u>IB1302</u>	<u>IB1303</u>	<u>IB1305</u>	<u>IB1307</u>	<u>IB1310</u>		
Green		<u>IB1400</u>	<u>IB1401</u>	<u>IB1451</u>	<u>IB1402</u>	<u>IB1403</u>	<u>IB1405</u>	<u>IB1407</u>	<u>IB1410</u>		
Yellow		<u>IB1900</u>	<u>IB1901</u>	<u>IB1951</u>	<u>IB1902</u>	<u>IB1903</u>	<u>IB1905</u>	<u>IB1907</u>	<u>IB1910</u>		
Black		<u>IB3500</u>	<u>IB3501</u>	<u>IB3551</u>	<u>IB3502</u>	<u>IB3503</u>	<u>IB3505</u>	<u>IB3507</u>	<u>IB3510</u>		

# ACT CAT6A U/UTP PVC cross-over patch cable, AWG24 CU, 50µ gold-plated contacts

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	Colour	0.5m 1m		1m 1.5m 2m			5m		
	cable Boot	IB6200	IB6201	IB6251	IB6202	IB6203	IB6205		



# $\blacksquare$ CAT6A S/FTP PVC PIMF snagless patch cable, AWG26 CU, 50 $\mu$ gold-plated contacts



Colour	0.25m	0.5m	1m	1.5m	2m	3m	5m	7m	10m	15m	20m	25m	30m
Ivory	FB6052	FB6000	FB6001	FB6051	FB6002	FB6003	FB6005	FB6007	FB6010	FB6015	FB6020	FB6025	FB6030
Grey	FB3052	FB3000	FB3001	FB3051	FB3002	FB3003	FB3005	FB3007	FB3010	FB3015	FB3020	FB3025	FB3030
Red		FB6500	FB6501	FB6551	FB6502	FB6503	FB6505	FB6507	FB6510	FB6515	FB6520	FB6525	FB6530
Blue		FB6600	FB6601	FB6651	FB6602	FB6603	FB6605	FB6607	FB6610	FB6615	FB6620	FB6625	FB6630
Green		FB6700	FB6701	FB6751	FB6702	FB6703	FB6705	FB6707	FB6710	FB6715	FB6720	FB6725	FB6730
Yellow		FB6800	FB6801	FB6851	FB6802	FB6803	FB6805	FB6807	FB6810	FB6815	FB6820	FB6825	FB6830
Black		FB6900	FB6901	FB6951	FB6902	FB6903	FB6905	FB6907	FB6910	FB6915	FB6920	FB6925	FB6930
Orange		FB2100	FB2101	FB2151	FB2102	FB2103	FB2105	FB2107	FB2110	FB2115	FB2120	FB2125	FB2130
Brown		FB2200	FB2201	FB2251	FB2202	FB2203	FB2205	FB2207	FB2210	FB2215	FB2220	FB2225	FB2230
Purple		FB2300	FB2301	FB2351	FB2302	FB2303	FB2305	FB2307	FB2310	FB2315	FB2320	FB2325	FB2330
Pink		FB2400	FB2401	FB2451	FB2402	FB2403	FB2405	FB2407	FB2410	FB2415	FB2420	FB2425	FB2430
White		FB6400	FB6401	FB6451	FB6402	FB6403	FB6405	FB6407	FB6410	FB6415	FB6420	FB6425	FB6430

#### $\overline{\text{ALT}}$ CAT6A S/FTP PIMF LSZH patch cable, AWG26 CU, 50 $\mu$ gold-plated contacts 1 Colour 0.25m 0.5m 1m 1.5m 2m 3m 5m 7m 10m 15m 20m 25m 30m Ivory IB3652 <u>IB3600</u> IB3601 IB3651 IB3602 IB3603 IB3605 IB3607 <u>IB3610</u> IB3615 <u>IB3620</u> <u>IB3625</u> IB3630 Grey <u>IB4052</u> <u>IB4000</u> <u>IB4001</u> IB4051 <u>IB4002</u> <u>IB4003</u> <u>IB4005</u> <u>IB4007</u> <u>IB4010</u> <u>IB4015</u> <u>IB4020</u> <u>IB4025</u> <u>IB4030</u> <u>IB5000</u> IB5051 <u>IB5002</u> IB5003 <u>IB5007</u> <u>IB5010</u> IB5001 IB5005 <u>IB5300</u> IB5351 IB5302 IB5303 <u>IB5307</u> <u>IB5310</u> IB5301 IB5305 <u>IB7400</u> <u>IB7401</u> <u>IB7451</u> <u>IB7402</u> <u>IB7403</u> IB7405 <u>IB7407</u> <u>IB7410</u> IB9107 <u>IB9100</u> IB9101 IB9151 IB9102 IB9103 IB9105 IB9110 Black <u>IB9200</u> IB9201 IB9251 IB9202 IB9203 IB9205 <u>IB9207</u> IB9210

<b>ACT</b> CA	T6A S/FTP P	IMF, LSZH p	atch cable sr	nagless AWC	i26 CU, 50μ	gold-plated	contacts					
Colour	0.25m	0.5m	1m	1.5m	2m	3m	5m	7m	10m	15m	20m	30m
Ivory	<u>FB7452</u>	<u>FB7400</u>	<u>FB7401</u>	<u>FB7451</u>	<u>FB7402</u>	<u>FB7403</u>	<u>FB7405</u>	<u>FB7407</u>	<u>FB7410</u>	<u>FB7415</u>	<u>FB7420</u>	<u>FB7430</u>
Grey	<u>FB7052</u>	<u>FB7000</u>	<u>FB7001</u>	<u>FB7051</u>	FB7002	<u>FB7003</u>	FB7005	<u>FB7007</u>	<u>FB7010</u>	<u>FB7015</u>	<u>FB7020</u>	<u>FB7030</u>
		FB7500	FB7501	<u>FB7551</u>	FB7502	<u>FB7503</u>	FB7505	FB7507	<u>FB7510</u>	<u>FB7515</u>	FB7520	FB7530
		FB7600	<u>FB7601</u>	<u>FB7651</u>	FB7602	FB7603	FB7605	<u>FB7607</u>	<u>FB7610</u>	<u>FB7615</u>	<u>FB7620</u>	FB7630
		<u>FB7700</u>	<u>FB7701</u>	<u>FB7751</u>	<u>FB7702</u>	<u>FB7703</u>	<u>FB7705</u>	<u>FB7707</u>	<u>FB7710</u>	<u>FB7715</u>	<u>FB7720</u>	<u>FB7730</u>
Yellow		FB7800	FB7801	<u>FB7851</u>	FB7802	FB7803	FB7805	<u>FB7807</u>	FB7810	<u>FB7815</u>	FB7820	<u>FB7830</u>
Black		FB7900	<u>FB7901</u>	<u>FB7951</u>	FB7902	<u>FB7903</u>	FB7905	FB7907	FB7910	FB7915	FB7920	FB7930
Orange		<u>FB7100</u>	<u>FB7101</u>	<u>FB7151</u>	<u>FB7102</u>	<u>FB7103</u>	FB7105	<u>FB7107</u>	<u>FB7110</u>	<u>FB7115</u>	<u>FB7120</u>	FB7130
Purple		FB8700	FB8701	FB8751	FB8702	FB8703	FB8705	FB8707	FB8710	FB8715	FB8720	FB8730
Pink		FB8800	FB8801	FB8851	FB8802	FB8803	FB8805	FB8807	FB8810	FB8815	FB8820	FB8830
White		FB7300	FB7301	FB7351	FB7302	FB7303	FB7305	FB7307	FB7310	<u>FB7315</u>	FB7320	FB7330

<b>ACT</b> CA	T6A U/FTP PV	C High Flex Ta	ngle-Free patch	cable, AWG2	6 CU, 50μ gold	l-plated contac	ts			
Colour	0.5m	1m	1.5m	2m	3m	5m	7m	10m	15m	20m
Black	FB5000	FB5001	FB5051	FB5002	FB5003	FB5005	FB5007	FB5010	FB5015	FB5020



## When to use slimline patch cables?

Slimline patch cables can be used where cable space is limited, such as in data centers. The slimline version of standard patch cables is more than 40% thinner in diameter. These thin cables reduce the amount of cable space required in racks.

## Key benefits of slimline patch cables:

Better cable management and space saving:

The slimline cable has a smaller diameter, saving valuable space in your server room. Especially when bundling slimline cables, much less volume is used. Together with the greater flexibility, cable management improves significantly.

## Energy efficiency:

Because slimline patch cables are 40% thinner and more flexible than normal patch cables, they have less air resistance. This improves airflow.

## Snagless connectors:

A snagless connector has a small flap that covers the RJ-45 protective tab. This flap prevents the protective tab from breaking or becoming entangled with other cables during installation or when repatching. All of our slimline data center cables are equipped with snagless connectors.



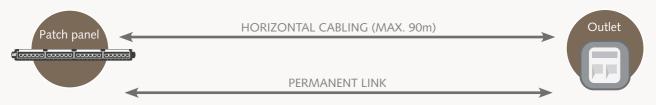


<b>ACT</b> CA	T6A U/FTP LSZH data	acenter slimline patch	cable, AWG32 CU, 5	50μ gold-plated conta	acts		
Colour	0.25m	0.5m	1m	1.5m	2m	3m	5m
Grey	DC7052	<u>DC7000</u>	<u>DC7001</u>	DC7051	<u>DC7002</u>	<u>DC7003</u>	DC7005
Red	<u>DC7552</u>	DC7500	DC7501	DC7551	DC7502	DC7503	DC7505
Blue	<u>DC7652</u>	DC7600	DC7601	DC7651	DC7602	DC7603	DC7605
Green	<u>DC7752</u>	<u>DC7700</u>	<u>DC7701</u>	<u>DC7751</u>	<u>DC7702</u>	<u>DC7703</u>	<u>DC7705</u>
Yellow	DC7852	DC7800	DC7801	DC7851	DC7802	DC7803	DC7805
Black	DC7952	DC7900	DC7901	DC7951	DC7902	DC7903	DC7905



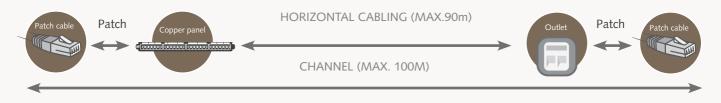
#### Permanent link

Permanent link is the connection from a patch panel to the working area outlet (also called the horizontal cabling). This is the permanent mounted solid cable which will be kept in place for longer periods of time. The maximum permitted length is 90 m.



### Channel

Channel is the complete connection from an active device such as a switch to a network card in a computer. So this includes patch cables together with the horizontal cabling. The horizontal cabling together with the patch cords may not exceed 100 m.



### Structured ACT cabling systems - compatible and comply to international standards

ACT Copper and fiber network solutions are durable and exceed the specifications of international standards. Each product has a 5-year product warranty and offers excellent performance as you would expect from ACT products. Because of its compatibility, ACT cables are commonly used for modifications, also called moves adds and changes (MAC), in existing installations.

The ACT portfolio consists of a wide range of copper installation cables and connection devices in both Category 5E, Category 6, Category 6A and Category 8 that includes both unshielded and shielded solutions. The ACT portfolio is characterized by quality and convenience. ACT components allow structured cabling systems to be customized for regular office systems, 4-connector link solutions and cross-connect systems.

Copper ACT cables are suitable for installations where PoE, PoE+ or PoE++ is also used.ACT cabling specialists are ready to help you choose a solution.

### Below an overview of the international standards ACT complies to:

Components	CAT5E	CAT6	CAT6A	CAT8
Bandwidth	100 Mhz	250 Mhz	500 Mhz	2000 Mhz
ISO-norm	ISO 1801Ed2.0 (2002)	ISO 11801Ed2.0 (2002)	ISO 11801 (CE2008)	ISO/11801-1 (2017)
EN-norm	EN50173-1 (2008)	EN50173-1 (2008)	EN50173-1 (2008)	EN50173-5 (2018)
Class	Class D	Class E	Class Ea	Class I
EIA/TIA-norm	EIA/TIA568-2D	EIA/TIA 568-2D	EIA/TIA 568-2D	EIA/TIA-568-2D



# **Flexibility**

Flexibility in your network is achieved by using consolidation points.

## Challenge

Consolidation points add an extra transition to your cabling. Additional transitions provide additional attenuation.

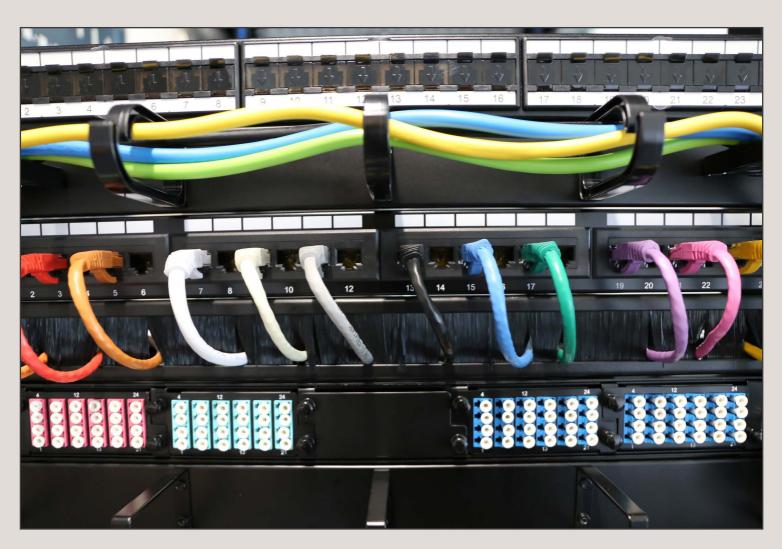
### Solution

By using component level patch cables network reliability is guaranteed because extra attenuation is compensated.

#### ACT component level patch cables

Flexibility in your network is achieved by using consolidation points. But consolidation points add an extra transition to your cabling. This can affect the reliability of your network. Did you know that an additional transition/cable in the network also adds two additional connectors? (Each cable has two connectors). This results in an additional connector transition in the horizontal cabling: the so-called 4-connector model.

ACT component level patch cables compensate for additional transitions in your network due to its very high quality. ACT offers consolidation points in CAT5E up to and including CAT6A (these can be found in the product overviews under patch panels). The component level patch cords are applied when using an extra consolidation point in your network and at cross-connects.



# Patch cable component level



## ACT component level patch cables

Component level patch cables guarantee optimal performance with a 4 connector link. These 4 connector links are used for consolidation points that are often placed near desk islands and cross connect systems in datacenters. For more information see page 17.

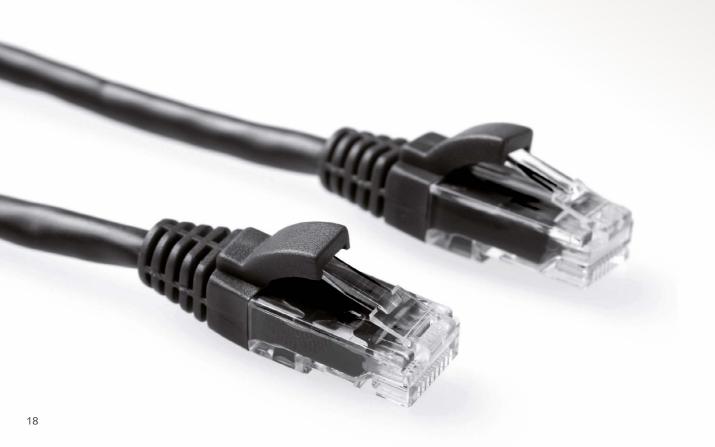
### Length of consolidation connections in CAT6 class E and CAT6A class EA

The adjacent connection lengths are simulated based on 10m of patch cable in addition to the two cables.

Using a consolidation point in an installation enables flexible furnishing of an office. From the consolidation point you bridge the last meters to the wall outlet with normal solid installation cable. The maximum length of the total installation cable is 90 meters. We advise to use a maximum of 30 meters from the consolidation point to the outlet.

- PP = Patch panel
- CP = Consolidation point
- WO = Wall outlet

Segment PP-CP	Segment CP-WO
60m	30m
65m	25m
75m	15m
85m	5m



# **Cross connection and testing**



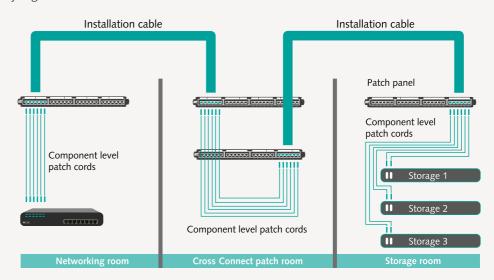
### Cross connects in datacenters – Another use for component level patch cables

Within datacenters the networking and storage are typically in a separate location. They are connected with each other via an installation cable. Somewhere in the middle you can find a cross connect patch room where cabling can easily be rerouted/repatched. Reasons datacenters choose for this setup are:

- Flexibility: in datacenters it is crucial to be able to fast and easily reroute cabling.
- Minimizing risks: High costs storage servers and networking equipment should have as little contact as possible with employees. Having employees doing all the repatching at a cross connect space in the middle minimizes contact with expensive equipment.

The cross connect patch room has incoming solid installation cables from the networking and storage area, which is terminated on patch panels. Between the patch panels component level patch cables are used to repatch / reroute connections. The 2 extra patch panels also add 2 transitions to your network. This can affect the reliability of your network. By using component level patch cables the network reliability is guaranteed.

The component level patch cables are used in the connection to the equipment in the networking and server locations as well in the cross connect room.



#### Testing your cabling

When you buy ACT products you are assured of consistent quality products that exceed international standards. However these different components have to be installed the right way in order to ensure a trouble free operating network.

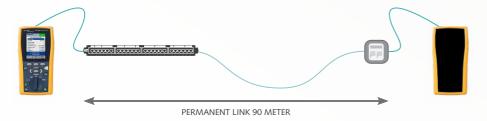
## Most common mistakes during installation:

During installations the following mistakes are most common:

- The cabling is bent more than the maximum advised bending radius (or even folded).
- Untwisting the pairs too much when cutting the jacket.
- The cables have been tightened to hard with cable ties.
- During installation the cables are being pulled to hard.

#### Why testing is important

Some of these mistakes can't be visually checked and that is why we advise to test every permanent link, from patch panel to wall outlet.



Testing a link from the patch panel to the wall sockets.