C/ 179B SC 179B.4.1 P808 *L*9 # 1 Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.168d P96 L12 Cadence Design Systems Lusted, Kent Synopsys Marris, Arthur Comment Type TR Comment Status D Test fixtures ILdd Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) The mated test fixture insertion loss is TBD Make minor tweaks to bit descriptions in Table 45-133d SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy For 1.1478.13 change "It indicates" to "This bit indicates" Adopt the proposal in https://www.ieee802.org/3/dj/public/adhoc/optics/0225\_OPTX/kocsis\_3dj\_adhoc\_01\_25020 For 1.1478.10 change "each input lane is" to "all input lanes are" 6.pdf Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Resolve using response to comment #139. C/ 45 SC 45.2.1.177b P99 L1 Marris, Arthur Cadence Design Systems SC 45.2.1.168a Cl 45 P94 18 # Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) Marris. Arthur Cadence Design Systems Correct register number in the title Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) SuggestedRemedy Grammar. Change "defines" to "define" Change "1.1816" to "1.1819" SuggestedRemedy Proposed Response Response Status W Change "defines" to "define". Also correct typo by changing "1.1464" to "1.1463" PROPOSED ACCEPT. Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.178c P100 L3 Marris. Arthur Cadence Design Systems C/ 45 P95 L35 # 3 SC 45.2.1.168c Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) Marris, Arthur Cadence Design Systems Correct table number Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) SuggestedRemedy Correct table reference Change "45-142c" to "45-141c" in two places, and change subclause number from SuggestedRemedy "45.2.1.178c" to "45.2.1.177c" Correct table reference on line 39 to be to 45-133c. Also in bit description for 1.1477.8 Proposed Response Response Status W delete "lane 0" PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. Correct the subclause and table numbering with editorial license. In addition, to match the change of the feature name in CL 186, change the text in the Description column of this table from: "alignment marker location transparency" "alignment marker location" in 45.2.1.178c and 45.2.1.178c.1.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.213e P103 **L6** # Cl 45 SC 45.2.1 P71 L30 # 10 Cadence Design Systems Marris, Arthur Cadence Design Systems Marris, Arthur Comment Type Т Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type Т Comment Status D Editor's note needs to be removed An address space of 1500 needs to be reserved in Table 45–3 for the duplication of ILT training registers for the AUI upper component SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Replace editor's note with suitable content Expand the address space allocated to "Duplication of ILT training registers for the AUI Proposed Response Response Status W upper component" appropriately, suggest 1,3000 to 1,4500, as the range of the PMA test PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. block error bin counters is likely to be reduced. Add a new subclause at the end of PMA/PMD register subsection to describe these registers The bits for this register are defined already in 177.4.9.1 and are listed in Table 177-7. Add necessary table and text in 45.2.1.213e. Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.213n P107 L 23 # 8 Marris. Arthur Cadence Design Systems C/ 187 SC 187.8.16 P629 L46 # 11 Comment Type Comment Status D (bucket) Brown, Matt Alphawaye Semi Correct register range and add table to define these error bin counter registers Comment Type T Comment Status D RX average power SuggestedRemedy The average power specification (tolerance) is as follows: "The average receive power 51 registers are required so make the range 1.2600 through 1.2650. Add table to indicate defines the range of average receiver input power over which the frame loss ratio how the 48-bit values map to three register locations requirement in 187.2 has to be met at the values of minimum OSNR defined in Table 187-6." What does "has to meet" mean? Is this a requirement or not? OSNR is not defined Proposed Response Response Status W in Table 187-6; is this intended to be the transmitter OSNR defined in Table 187-6? If so. PROPOSED ACCEPT. there is only one value in that table. The frame loss ratio is for the entire physical layer. Same issue in 185.8.16. C/ 178B SC 178B.15 P796 L 26 # 9 SuggestedRemedy Marris, Arthur Cadence Design Systems Change to the following or similar: "The receiver shall meet the frame loss ratio specified in 187.2 with average receive optical power in the range specifed in Table 187-6 and Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket) transmitter OSNR specified in Table 187-5." Preset selction requires three bits Apply same to 185.8.15 as well. SuggestedRemedy Proposed Response Response Status W In Table 178B-6 for ic reg change "1.1120.13:12" to "1.1120.13:11" PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Proposed Response Implement suggested remedy with editorial license. Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

(bucket)

C/ 187 SC 187.8.13 P629 L 47 # 12 C/ 175 SC 175.2.6.2.2 P263 L38 # 15 Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi Alphawave Semi Brown, Matt Comment Type Т Comment Status D RX average power Comment Type T Comment Status R (withdrawn) The method to measure average receiver optical power is "This power may be measured PCS reset is defined as "Boolean variable that is true when set by a management entity per IEC 61280-1-3." Does this mean that any other method is acceptable? Shouldn't this and is false otherwise." But it is intended to reflect the state of management variable be more definitive? PCS reset, so why not say that. There is a similar issue with PMA reset in clause 176, Same issue in 185.8.16. FEC reset in clauses 177, 184, and 186. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change to: "Average receive optical power is measured per IEC 61280-1-3." Change defintion of PCS reset to "Boolean variable that that is set to true or false when PCS management variable (see Table 175-3) is 1 or 0, respectively." or similar Proposed Response Response Status W Make similar changes in clauses 176, 177, 184, and 186. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Response Response Status Z Implement suggested remedy in 187.8.16 and 185.8.16 with editorial license. REJECT. C/ 185 SC 185.8.15 P557 L47 # 13 This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter. Brown, Matt Alphawaye Semi Comment Status D C/ 174A SC 174A.6 P662 L31 # 16 Comment Type T (bucket) Should refer to "block error ratio" rather than "codeword error ratio". Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi SuggestedRemedy Comment Type T Comment Status D Error ratio Change "codeword error ratio" to "block error ratio". CRC error ratio based on 6E-11. However, this would not account for an Extender plus a pair of AUIs in the PHY. Options: Proposed Response Response Status W (a) disallow extender PROPOSED ACCEPT. (b) state that either extender or AUIs in PHY, but not both (c) reduced FLR for PCS-to-PCS to 5.8E-11. C/ 186 SC 186.3.4.2 P593 1 42 # 14 SuggestedRemedy Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi A contribution will be provided. Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket) Proposed Response Response Status W Should refer to "CRC error ratio" rather than "frame loss ratio". PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Pending CRG review of the following contribution: SuggestedRemedy <URL>/brown\_3dj\_04\_2503 Change "codeword error ratio" to "CRC error ratio".

Proposed Response

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Response Status W

Cl 180A SC 180A.1 P833 L22 # 17

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

Big sentence. Break into two. Also, should be "Clause 180" and "Clause 182".

SuggestedRemedy

Change to: "The PMDs for 200GBASE-DR1, 400GBASE-DR2, 800GBASE-DR4, and 1.6TBASE-DR8 are specified in Clause 180. PMDs for 200GBASE-DR1-2, 400GBASE-DR2-2, 800GBASE-DR4-2, and 1.6TBASE-DR8-2 are specified in Clause 182."

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

Cl 178B SC 178B.14.2.1 P787 L22 # 18

Brown, Matt Alphawaye Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status R

(withdrawn)

reset is defined as "Boolean variable that controls the resetting of the device. It is true whenever a reset is necessary including when initiated by PMA\_reset for AUI components, PMD\_reset for PMDs and during power on." When initiated by PMA\_reset; does that mean when PMA\_reset is true? Would that be the management variable or the state variable? I think the latter. For PMD\_reset, does that mean when it is true?

## SuggestedRemedy

Reword as follows: "Boolean variable that controls the resetting of the device. It is true whenever a reset is necessary including when PMA\_reset management variable is 1 for AUI components, when PMD\_reset management variable is 1 for PMDs, and during power on."

Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

CI 180A SC 180A P833 L # 19

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

The title of this annex is very long and not future-proof. Instead make title generic define the scope in a scope clause to limit to 3dj PHYs. Note that a similar approach is used in Annex 174A.

SuggestedRemedy

Change Annex title to: "MDIs for optical PHYs"

Change the title of 180A.1 to "Scope".

Add the following new subclause heading after the the first paragraph: "180A.2 Overview" encompassing the second paragraph and Table 180A-1.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

CI 187 SC 187.8.16 P629 L46 # 20

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D

(bucket)

In Draft 1.4 the 800GBASE-ER1 PCS was converted to a segmented FEC. There is now a possibility for AUIs within a PHY between the segmented FEC and the PCS. Also, a target CRC error ratio as measured at the receive decoder output, rather than frame loss ratio, may be used to define acceptable receiver performance.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "frame loss ratio requirement in 187.2" to "CRC error ratio in 187.2".

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 185 SC 185 P544 L10 # 21

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type E Comment Status D

(bucket)

Figure 185-3 not needed for this PHY. This figure showing an xGMII Extender was included in 802.3cw and in Draft 1.3 Clause 187 because an xGMII extender was always needed to support an AUI. On the other hand, any 800GBASE-R PHYs may include a 800GMII extender. The 800GBASE-LR1 PHY uses a concatentated Inner FEC and supports one or two AUIs. Figure 185-2 should include one AUI to be complete.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete Figure 185-3 and in Figure 185-2 add one 800GAUI-n.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

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**TDECQ** 

C/ 180 SC 180.9.1 P431 L34 # 22

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket)

For Clause 182 and 183, pattern 7 is defined as valid xBASE-R signal with Inner FEC. A similar pattern should be defined for Clause 180 and 181, but without Inner FEC.

SuggestedRemedy

In Table 180-13 add new pattern 7 "Valid 200GBASE-R, 400GBASE-R, 800GBASE-R, or 1.6TBASE-R signal" and update Table 180-14 accordingly.

In Table 181-11, add new pattern 7 "Valid 800GBASE-R signal" and update Table 181-12 accordingly.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

C/ 180 SC 180.9.5 P433 L31 # 23

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D

For TDECQ, why does AUI need to be "accessible". The clock should be derived from the AUI input regardless of whether it is accessible or not.

This also applies to clauses 181, 182, 183.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: "For those cases where the xAUI-n chip-to-chip (C2C) or chip-to-module (C2M) interface (see Table 180–1 through Table 180–4) is accessible."

To: "For those cases where there is an xAUI-n chip-to-chip (C2C) or chip-to-module (C2M) interface (see Table 180–1 through Table 180–4),"

Make a similar change in 181.9.4, 182.9.5, and 183.9.4.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

Cl 177 SC 177.5.6

P**327** 

L**7** 

# 24

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D

(bucket)

A counter to count codewords with no corrected errors is required since there is no other way to derive this bin.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "k = 1 to 3" to "k = 0 to 3" and update Table 177-8 and Clause 45 accordingly.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Although bin 0 could be derived from the other bins and Inner\_FEC\_total\_bits\_counter, the suggested approach is cleaner.

Implement the suggested remedy.

Also, change "A set of three 32-bit counters" to "A set of four 32-bit counters" on line 5.

CI 177 SC 177.5.6 P327 L9 # 25

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D

(bucket)

For Inner\_FEC\_codeword\_error\_bin\_k and Inner\_FEC\_uncorrected\_cw\_counter, to ensure that all codewords are accounted and only once each, add statement for each codeword processed exactly one of these bins is incremented.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a new sentence "For each codeword processed, exactly one counter in Inner\_FEC\_codeword\_error\_bin\_k or Inner\_FEC\_uncorrected\_cw\_counter is incremented." Add a similar statement in 184.5.7.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

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C/ 176 SC 176.7.4.1 P304 C/ 185 P556 L13 **L6** # 26 SC 185.8.9 # 29 Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi Issenhuth, Tom Huawei Comment Type Т Comment Status D PRBS requirements Comment Type т Comment Status D (bucket) PRBS31 should be mandatory only for PMA bottom output/input adjacent to an xBASE-R The parameter defintion includes "mean" in the subclause title and parameter description. Inner FEC sublayer and is otherwise not needed. PRBS31 never required on top side of a Parameters definitions should not include mean/max/min. Multiple places in 185.8 and PMA. 187.8. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Update 176.7.4.1 accordingly. Remove all mean/max/min from the subclause titles and paramater descriptions in 185.8 and 187.8. With editorial license. Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. PROPOSED ACCEPT. Pending CRG review and discussion of the following contribution: <URL>/dudek\_3dj\_01\_2503 C/ 187 SC 187.1 P615 L 20 # 30 D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei Resolve using the response to comment #123. Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) *L*9 C/ 176 SC 176.7.4.2 P304 # 27 In the ER / ER-1 PHYs the 800GBASE-R PCS is now used. This means that an AUI can be used optionally between the PCS and FEC sublayers. This is called out in this manner Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi in Table 169-3a. Table 187-1 does not reflect this. Comment Status D Comment Type Т PRBS requirements SuggestedRemedy PRBS31Q should be mandatory only for PMA input/output adjacent to PMD (bottom only) Add to Table 187-1 or an AUI component (top or bottom). It is otherwise not needed. 120F—800GAUI-8 C2C Optional (note c) SuggestedRemedy 120G—800GAUI-8 C2M Optional (note c) Update 176.7.4.2 accordingly. 173—800GBASE-R BM-PMA Conditional (Note d) 176—800GBASE-R SM-PMA Conditional (Note d) Proposed Response Response Status W 176C-800GAUI-4 C2C Optional (Note c) PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. 176D—800GAUI-4 C2M Optional (Note c) Pending CRG review and discussion of the following contribution: <URL>/dudek 3dj 01 2503 Note c - One or two 800GAUI-n may be instantiated within a 800GBASE-ER or 800GBASE-Resolve using the response to comment #123. ER-1 PHY, as described in 176B.6.1. Note d - If a 800GAUI-n is implemented in a PHY, additional 800GBASE-R BM-PMA or SM-C/ 185 SC 185.8.1 P555 L 23 # 28 PMA sublayers are required according to the guidelines in 176B.6.1. Issenhuth, Tom Huawei Proposed Response Response Status W Comment Type

Comment Status D (bucket) PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

Add the 2 parameters to Table 185-11 with a pattern of 5.

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PROPOSED ACCEPT.

185-11. SuggestedRemedy

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The parameters "Tx clock phase noise: total integrated random jitter" and "Tx clock phase noise: total periodic iitter" are in Table 185-5 and listed in 185.8 but are missing in Table

C/ 176B SC 176B.6.1 P694 # 31 C/ 181 SC 181.1 P442 L13 L39 # 34 Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei D'Ambrosia, John D'Ambrosia, John PCS name (bucket) Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type Ε Comment Status D 800GAUI's are permissable within 800GBASE-LR1, 800GBASE-ER1 and 800GBASE-ER1-As the 800GBASE-ER1/ER1-20 now uses the same PCS as other 800GBASE-R PHYs, it 20 PHYS. The guidelines in 176B.6.1 do not reflect this. is inconsistent to call out the full name of the sublaver 800GBASE-R PCS SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Add sentence at end of last paragraph on 694: Replace "800GBASE-R PCS" with "PCS" These instantiations are also relevant to the 800GBASE-R PHY types listed in Table 169-4. Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED REJECT. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Clauses 181, 183, 184, 186, and 187 all specify sublayers that can only be used with the Add sentence at end of the first paragraph in 176B.6.1: 800GBASE-R PCS. As such the existing "800GBASE-R PCS" label in these figures is not "These instantiations are also relevant to the 800GBASE-R PHY types listed in Table 169incorrect, and serves to remind the reader that the sublaver is specific to that rate based on the MII being specifically the 800GMII. This is consistent with other clauses (including 95, Also update diagrams and text to be inclusive of the 800GBASE-ER1/ER1-20 PHY types. 119, 120A, 120F, 120G, 121, 123, 124, 150, 151, 154, 162, 163, 169, 172, 175) that Implement with editorial license. similarly are limited to one specific rate. The generic "PCS" is only used when the generic xGMII is connected to the PCS, for example, in figures 1-1, 143-1, 176-1, 177-1, 178-1, C/ 186 SC 186.1.2 P564 L31 # 32 179-1 and 180-2. If a future task force extends any of these clauses to other rates, the figures can be made generic at that time. D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei Comment Type Ε Comment Status D PCS name (bucket) C/ 183 P492 SC 183.1 L13 # 35 As the 800GBASE-ER1/ER1-20 now uses the same PCS as other 800GBASE-R PHYs, it D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei is inconsistent to call out the full name of the sublayer 800GBASE-R PCS Comment Type E Comment Status D PCS name (bucket) SuggestedRemedy As the 800GBASE-ER1/ER1-20 now uses the same PCS as other 800GBASE-R PHYs. it Replace "800GBASE-R PCS" with "PCS" is inconsistent to call out the full name of the sublayer 800GBASE-R PCS Proposed Response Response Status W SuggestedRemedy PROPOSED REJECT. Replace "800GBASE-R PCS" with "PCS" Resolve using the response to comment #34. Proposed Response Response Status W C/ 1 SC 1.5 P**57** L 22 # 33 PROPOSED REJECT. Resolve using the response to comment #34. D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) C/ 184 SC 184.1.2 P516 L30 # 36 The abbreviation FAW is not listed D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei SuggestedRemedy Comment Type Ε PCS name (bucket) Comment Status D Add to 1.5 As the 800GBASE-ER1/ER1-20 now uses the same PCS as other 800GBASE-R PHYs. it FAW frame alignment word is inconsistent to call out the full name of the sublayer 800GBASE-R PCS Proposed Response Response Status W SuggestedRemedy PROPOSED REJECT. Replace "800GBASE-R PCS" with "PCS" "FAW" is a field specific to the FEC frame defined in Clause 186, like PS, TS, etc., and Proposed Response Response Status W thus is not an acronym in the broad sense. If we add one field name (acronym) like this we would effectively be obligated to add all (acronym) field names. PROPOSED REJECT. Resolve using the response to comment #34.

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C/ 187 SC 187.1 P616 L13 # 37 Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.213b P101 L15 Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei Nvidia D'Ambrosia, John Bruckman, Leon Comment Type Ε Comment Status D PCS name (bucket) Comment Type TR Comment Status D As the 800GBASE-ER1/ER1-20 now uses the same PCS as other 800GBASE-R PHYs. it In table 45-142c new 1.2402.15 bit defined as "PRBS31 is FEC encoded" is not used in is inconsistent to call out the full name of the sublaver 800GBASE-R PCS the draft. Clause 177 uses 8 bits for this function that will be defined in clause 45.2.1.213e SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Replace "800GBASE-R PCS" with "PCS" Either change the definition of bit 1.2402.15 to "Reserved", or change the references in section 177.9 to become a single bit pointing to this bit Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED REJECT. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Resolve using the response to comment #34. Change bit 1.2402.15 to "Reserved" Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.161 P90 L14 # 38 C/ 116 SC 116.2.9 P147 L39 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Status D Comment Type T Missing new preset 6 that was added duirng D1.3 CRG Text is hard to parse. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy In Table 45-129 change "Reserved" for Initial condition request = 101 to "preset 6" Change: "For each ISL, ILT provides a mechanism for a receiver to control transmitter Proposed Response Response Status W states, such as equalization, modulation, and precoding states, on the peer transmitter." to: "For each ISL, ILT provides a mechanism for a receiver to control peer transmitter PROPOSED ACCEPT. states, such as equalization, modulation, and precoding," SC 45.2.1.165 Cl 45 P**92** L10 # 39 Proposed Response Response Status W Bruckman, Leon Nvidia PROPOSED ACCEPT. Comment Status D Comment Type TR (bucket) SC 119.3.4b C/ 119 P168 **L8** Missing new preset 6 that was added duirng D1.3 CRG Bruckman, Leon Nvidia SuggestedRemedy Comment Type TR Comment Status R In Table 45-131 change "Reserved" for Initial condition request = 101 to "preset 6" For Annex 174A BLER, bin counters are 0 to 15, not 1 to 15 Proposed Response Response Status W SuggestedRemedy PROPOSED ACCEPT. Change: "A set of fifteen 32-bit counters where counter i counts once for each codeword received with exactly i correctable 10-bit symbols when align status is true, i = 1 to 15" to: "A set of sixteen 32-bit counters where counter i counts once for each codeword

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

Response

REJECT.

received with exactly i correctable 10-bit symbols when align status is true, i = 0 to 15"

Response Status Z

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 Cl 169
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 # 43

 Bruckman, Leon
 Nvidia

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 (bucket)

Text is hard to parse.

# SuggestedRemedy

Change: "For each ISL, ILT provides a mechanism for a receiver to control transmitter states, such as equalization, modulation, and precoding states, on the peer transmitter," to: "For each ISL, ILT provides a mechanism for a receiver to control peer transmitter states, such as equalization, modulation, and precoding,"

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 171 SC 171.8 P209 L16 # 44

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

In Tables 171-3, 171-5, 171.5b and 171-5d in the first column the names wrap around oddly

#### SuggestedRemedy

Fix the variable names in the first column of Tables 171-3, 171-5, 171-5b and 171-5d to be in one line

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

Cl 174 SC 174.2.12 P237 L39 # 45

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket)

Text is hard to parse.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change: "For each ISL, ILT provides a mechanism for a receiver to control transmitter states, such as equalization, modulation, and precoding states, on the peer transmitter," to: "For each ISL, ILT provides a mechanism for a receiver to control peer transmitter states, such as equalization, modulation, and precoding."

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement with editorial license.

CI 175 SC 175.2.5.3 P261 L10 # 46

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status R (withdrawn)

For Annex 174A BLER, bin counters are 0 to 15, not 1 to 15

#### SuggestedRemedy

Change: "A set of fifteen 32-bit counters where counter i counts once for each codeword received with exactly i correctable 10-bit symbols when align\_status is true (i=1 to 15)." to: "A set of sixteen 32-bit counters where counter i counts once for each codeword received with exactly i correctable 10-bit symbols when align\_status is true (i=0 to 15)." Update also corresponding MDIO Table 175–4 entry

Response

Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

C/ 177 SC 177.4.2 P318 L34 # 47

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D convolutional interleaver

The relationship between the position of the input and output switches in Figure 177-4 is not defined.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following sentence at the end of the paragraph: "The input and output switches are always aligned to the same row."

Proposed Response

PROPOSED REJECT.

It is not required to keep the input and output switches aligned to the same row.

Response Status W

Cl 177 SC 177.4.7 P321 L29 # 48

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The sentence: "The first pad insertion will happen right at the beginning of lone

The sentence: "The first pad insertion will happen right at the beginning of Inner FEC codewords" is not clear, which "Inner FEC codewords"? Which is "the first pad insertion"?

#### SuggestedRemedy

Specify what "first pad insertion" means and which "Inner FEC codewords" you are referring to.

Proposed Response Response Status W

#### PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The referenced sentence is not necessary to accurately specify the behavior. Delete the following sentence: "The first pad insertion will happen right at the beginning of Inner FEC codewords."

(bucket)

Cl 177 SC 177.4.9.2 L50 # 49 Cl 177 P323 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Text shall indicate how the test pattern is enabled. SuggestedRemedy Add the following sentence to the end of the section: "If supported the PRBS13Q test pattern generator is enabled by the PRBS13Q\_pattern\_enable i control variable." Add similar sentences to sections 177.4.9.3 to 177.4.9.5 Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED REJECT. This is already covered in 120.5.11.2.1. C/ 177 Cl 177 SC 177.5.3 P325 L35 # 50 Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket) Wrong singular in sentence SuggestedRemedy Change: "The Inner FEC codeword boundaries found by synchronization is used" To: "The Inner FEC codeword boundaries found by synchronization are used" 184-5 Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response PROPOSED ACCEPT. Cl 177 SC 177.5.6 P327 L6 # 51 Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Comment Status D Comment Type TR (bucket) Bin counters are 0 to 3, not 1 to 3 SuggestedRemedy Change: (k = 1 to 3) to: (k = 0 to 3)

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PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Resolve using the response to comment #24.

SC 177.9 L16 P333 # 52 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Precoding control variables are missing from the MDIO tables SuggestedRemedy Add precoder tx out enable i to Table 177-7 Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license. SC 177.9 P333 L 40 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Comment Type Comment Status D (bucket) In Table 177-8, there are 4 bin counters (0 to 3), last bin is missing. Also, it is hard to understand how the bin counters 0 to 3 are assigned. SuggestedRemedy Add reference to 1.2430 and 1.2431, update references for each of the other 7 lanes. Consider having a row for each bin counter, similar to the way they are refernces in Table

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PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The suggested remedy is a good improvement. This also means that the MDIO register numbers for all FEC counters for lanes 1 to 7 in Table 177-8 are shifted/incorrect. Note that the MDIO register numbers for Inner\_FEC\_corrected\_cw\_counter (lane1) should be 1.2434 and 1.2435 (not 1.2430 and 1.2431).

Add reference to 1.2430 and 1.2431, update references for each of the other 7 lanes. Make a row for each bin counter, similar to the way they are references in Table 184-5.

Fix the register reference for Inner\_FEC\_corrected\_cw\_counter (lane1) and all following MDIO register numbers for Inner FEC counters for lanes 1 to 7 as appropriate.

Implement with editorial license.

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C/ 178 SC 178.9.3.4.3 P354 L 25 # 54 C/ 180 SC 180.9.1 P431 L34 # 57 Nvidia Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Bruckman, Leon Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket) Missing space Empty row in table 180-13 SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change: "174A.7.1or" to: "174A.7.1 or" Remove empty row from Table 180-13 Proposed Response Proposed Response Response Status W Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. PROPOSED ACCEPT. Resolve using the response to comment #22. C/ 180 SC 180.4.2 P419 L40 # 55 C/ 181 SC 181.5.1 P443 L 53 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type Comment Status D TR (bucket) "Skew constraints for 200GBASE-DR1 and 400GBASE-DR2" seems to be the header of a Not clear why the reference is to ILT section 178B.14.2.1 that defines the state diagram section, but it is not formatted as that variables. SugaestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Make: "Skew constraints for 200GBASE-DR1 and 400GBASE-DR2" a subsection of Change the reference from: "178B.14.2.1" to: "Annex 178B". 180.4.2. Same for "Skew constraints for 800GBASE-DR4 and 1.6TBASE-DR8" in the next page line 6. Consistent with 182.4.2 Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Implement suggested remedy with editorial license Implement suggested remedy with editorial license C/ 182 SC 182.5.1 P471 L10 # 59 C/ 180 SC 180.5.1 P420 L 47 # 56 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Not clear why the reference is to ILT section 178B.14.2.1 that defines the state diagram Not clear why the reference is to ILT section 178B.14.2.1 that defines the state diagram variables. variables. SugaestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change the reference from: "178B.14.2.1" to: "Annex 178B". Change the reference from: "178B.14.2.1" to: "Annex 178B". Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

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Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

C/ 183 SC 183.5.1 P494 L5 # 60 C/ 186 SC 186.2.1 P567 L15 # 63 Nvidia Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Bruckman, Leon Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket) Not clear why the reference is to ILT section 178B.14.2.1 that defines the state diagram Strange location of dot. variables. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Remove the dot after "two flows" Change the reference from: "178B.14.2.1" to: "Annex 178B". Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Change 178B.14.2.1 to 178B.4 in 180.5.1, 181.5.1, 182.5.1, and 183.5.1. C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.5.10 P574 **L8** Bruckman, Leon Nvidia C/ 186 SC 186.1.1 P564 L10 # 61 Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket) Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Missing "the" Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) 800GBASE-ER1 is separated into two lines SuggestedRemedy Change: "were removed by Inverse RS FEC function" SuggestedRemedy To: "were removed by the Inverse RS FEC function" Make the dash in "800GBASE-ER1" a non braking dash. Proposed Response Response Status W Apply the same for the whole clause PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Proposed Response Response Status W Change to "were removed by the Inverse RS FEC Tx function" PROPOSED ACCEPT. C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.5.10 P574 **L8** # 65 C/ 186 # 62 SC 186.1.3 P564 L 53 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Comment Type Comment Status D Ε (bucket) Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) 257-bit breaks into two lines The term "ER1 FEC" is used only in thi paragraph and in one or two more places. Usually it SuggestedRemedy is refered just as "FEC" Make the dash in "257-bit" a non braking dash. Same for section 186.2.4.6.5 first paragraph SuggestedRemedy Proposed Response Response Status W Make consistent use of "ER1 FEC" or just "FEC" throughout the clause

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186.1.3 uses ER1 FEC to distingush from RS FEC. Align later subclauses to this as appropriate.

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 # 66

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 Nvidia

 Comment Type
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 AM location

Wrong variable name and missing text.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: "If the alignment marker location feature is enabled by the FEC control variable fec\_alignment\_marker\_enable (set to 1),"

To: " If the alignment marker location feature is enabled by

fec\_alignment\_marker\_location\_ability (set to 1) and enabled by the FEC control variable fec\_alignment\_marker\_location\_enable (set to 1),"

Proposed Response

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PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to "If the alignment marker location feature is supported (FEC\_alignment\_market\_location\_ability set to 1) and is enabled by the FEC control variable FEC\_alignment\_marker\_location\_enable (set to 1)".

Also add text to 186.2.3.1.5 to introduce the two variables: The alignment marker removal function may optionally provide the ability to record the location of the removed alignment markers using the OH field as described in 186.2.3.5.10. The presence of this option is indicated by the assertion of the FEC\_alignment\_marker\_location\_enable status variable. When the option is provided, it is enabled by the assertion of the FEC\_alignment marker location enable control variable.

Throughout the clause, capitalize FEC in the names of MDIO variables.

Implement with editorial license.

Cl 186 SC 186.4.2.1 P595 L27 # 67

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket)

Range of variable usually indicated using "to" not a dash.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: "0-7" To: "0 to 7".

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 186 SC 186.4.2.3 P599 L36 # 68

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket)

In the definitions of raml\_bad\_cnt and zero\_aml\_cnt 800GBASE-ER1 includes an underscore instead of a dash

SuggestedRemedy

In the definitions of raml\_bad\_cnt and zero\_aml\_cnt change: "800GBASE\_ER1" to: "800GBASE-ER1"

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 186 SC 186.4.3 P601 L42 # 69

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D ER1 PMA frame alignment

In Figure 186-2 it is not clear when and where does the <code>pss\_pma</code> variable get its value. It is also not clear why we need this variable

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the variable pss\_pma and in state 2\_GOOD change: "pma\_pss\_mapping<x> <= pma\_pss" to: "pma\_pss\_mapping<x> <= first\_pma\_pss""

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete the variable definition for pma\_pss. In figure 186-16, change

""pma pss mapping<x> <= pma pss" to: "pma pss mapping<x> <= current pma pss""

Cl 186 SC 186.4.3 P605 L10 # 70

Bruckman, Leon Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Some missing arrowheads in Figure 186-20

SuggestedRemedy

Add arrowheads to the line that goes right from the RAML\_CNT\_INC state and to the line that goes left from the RAML\_INVALID state

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy. In addition, add a missing transition from RAML\_CNT\_ALIGN to RAML\_CNT\_0, and move the "UCT" label to be next to the transition from RAML\_VALID to WAIT\_FOR\_FRAME

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C/ 187 SC 187.6.1 L51 # 71 C/ 178B SC 178B.5.2 P772 L 24 P623 # 74 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket) In Table 187-5 it is not clear which rows correspond to "Tx clock phase noise: phase noise In Figure 178B-2 missing parenthesys closing in USE\_TX\_CLOCK(recovered mask frequency (max)" SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change: "USE TX CLOCK(recovered" to: "USE TX CLOCK(recovered)" twice in Figure Merge all the rows that correspond to "Tx clock phase noise: phase noise mask frequency 178B-2 Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. PROPOSED REJECT. There are 4 rows associated with "Tx clock phase noise; phase noise mask frequency C/ 174 SC 174.1.4 P 234 L 35 (max)" and they all have different frequencies and associated values in dBc/Hz so they cannot be merged into a single row. The use of a single row in a Table with the parameter Huang, Kechao Huawei name and indented rows following with different values is consistent with similar Tables in Comment Type Comment Status D (bucket) 802.3-2022, see Table 121-7 and 140-7, and this draft, see Table 180-7. In "Table 174-2 and Table 174-3 specifies the correlation", the word "specifies" should be changed to "specify" C/ 176C SC 176C.2.1 P**702** L7 # 72 SuggestedRemedy Bruckman, Leon Nvidia Change it as suggested Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Proposed Response Response Status W Not clear why is the Functional specification a sub-section of Error Ratio Allocation PROPOSED ACCEPT. SuggestedRemedy Promote section "Functional specification" to 176C.3 to make it consistent with a similar SC 176.4.2.3.2 C/ 176 P 285 L14 # 76 section in Annex 176D Huang, Kechao Huawei Proposed Response Response Status W Comment Type Comment Status D (bucket) PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. "a 20-bit boundary (two RS-FEC symbols)" should be changed to "a 20-bit (two RS-FEC Resolve using the response to comment #267. symbols) boundary": also "a 40-bit boundary (4 RS-FEC symbols)" should be changed to "a 40-bit (4 RS-FEC C/ 176C SC 176C.2.1 P**702** L13 # 73 symbols) boundary" in page 285 line 25 Bruckman, Leon Nvidia SuggestedRemedy Comment Type TR Comment Status D Functional specification Change it as suggested In Annex 176D the similar section (176D.3) includes text describing the ILT support Proposed Response Response Status W

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SuggestedRemedy

After the third paragraph in the section add adjusted text from the third and fourth paragraphs in 176D.3

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Resolve using the response to comment #268.

The text is not incorrect as written. The suggested remedy does not improve clarity of the

Cl 177 SC 177.4.1.2 P317 L36 # 77 Huang, Kechao Huawei

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Skew value

The maximum skew of 25ns for 1.6TBASE-R PHYs is not included in Table 174-5, should refer to sub-clause "182.4.2.2 Skew constraints for 800GBASE-DR4-2 and 1.6TBASE-DR8-2"

SuggestedRemedy

Change "see Table 174-5" to "see 182.4.2.2"

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SP2 and SP5 are only applicable if there is a physically instantiated interface at the PMD service interface. There are no physically instantiated PMD service interfaces defined for 1.6TBASE-R PHYs at this time, nor any other PHYs defined in the 802.3dj project.

Therefore, the values for SP2 and SP5 are undefined for both 800GBASE-R and 1.6TBASE-R PHYs. The 25ns skew limitation came from table 169-5 as a conservative value, but is not applicable to PHYs using the Inner FEC sublayer.

Change the first paragraph of 177.4.2.1 as follows:

#### From:

"For 800GBASE-R PHYs, after alignment marker lock is achieved on each of the eight PCSLs in an input stream, Skew between PCSLs is removed as defined in 172.2.5.1, except that a maximum Skew of 25 ns is supported between PCS lanes (see Table 169–5)."

To:

"For 800GBASE-R PHYs, after alignment marker lock is achieved on each of the eight PCSLs in an input stream, Skew between PCSLs is removed as defined in 172.2.5.1, with the exception that the maximum Skew to be removed is the Skew at SP1 plus the Skew added by the PMA above the Inner FEC."

Change the second paragraph of 177.4.2.1 as follows:

### From:

"For 1.6TBASE-R PHYs, after alignment marker lock is achieved on each of the two PCSLs in an input stream, Skew between PCSLs is removed as defined in 175.2.5.1, except that a maximum Skew of 25 ns is supported between PCS lanes (see Table 174–5)."

To:

"For 1.6TBASE-R PHYs, after alignment marker lock is achieved on each of the two PCSLs in an input stream, Skew between PCSLs is removed as defined in 175.2.5.1, with the exception that the maximum Skew to be removed is the Skew at SP1 plus the Skew added by the PMA above the Inner FEC."

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 Huawei

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The title of subclause 177.4.1 has been changed to "Symbol demultiplexing and deskew"

SuggestedRemedy

Change "alignment lock and deskew process (see 177.4.1)" to "symbol demultiplexing and deskew process (see 177.4.1)"

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CI 177 SC 177.4.4 P319 L4 # 79

Huang, Kechao Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The word "Shift" should be changed to "shift"

SuggestedRemedy

Change it as suggested

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PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 186 SC 186.3.1.3 P583 L18 # 80

Huang, Kechao Huawei

Comment Type T Comment Status D

In the transmit direction of 800GBASE-ER1 PMA functions, "interleaving" after Gray mapping is not required, as shown in Figure 186-12 (also see OIF 800ZR IA).

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Gray mapping, interleaving, and distribution of symbols for transmission" to "Gray mapping and distribution of symbols for transmission"

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C/ 186 SC 186.3.1.3 P583 L39 # 81 C/ 186 SC 186.3.3.1 P587 L7 # 84 Huawei Huawei Huang, Kechao Huang, Kechao Comment Type Т Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type Т Comment Status D (bucket) In the receive direction, symbol deinterleaving is not required. Even bits should be mapped to X polarization and odd bits should be mapped to Y polarization SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change "Polarization combining and symbol deinterleaving." to "Polarization combining." Change "X: (c 8i,c 8i+1,c 8i+2,c 8i+3)" to "X: (c 8i,c 8i+2,c 8i+4,c 8i+6)" in line7, Proposed Response Response Status W and change "Y: (c 8i+4.c 8i+5.c 8i+6.c 8i+7)" to "Y: (c 8i+1.c 8i+3.c 8i+5.c 8i+7)" in PROPOSED ACCEPT. line8 Proposed Response Response Status W C/ 186 SC 186.3.1.3 P584 L11 # 82 PROPOSED ACCEPT. Huang, Kechao Huawei C/ 176C SC 176C.1 P701 L 24 # 85 Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket) In the receive direction of Figure 186-12, symbol deinterleaving is not required. Huang, Kechao Huawei Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) SuggestedRemedy In "Physical layer partitioning options", the word "layer" should be changed to "Layer" Change "Polarization combining and symbol deinterleaving" to "Polarization combining" SugaestedRemedy Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. Change it as suggested, and make the same change in page 722 line 25, sub-clause 176D.1. C/ 186 SC 186.3.3.1 P586 # 83 L39 Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. Huang, Kechao Huawei Comment Status D Comment Type T (bucket) C/ 180 SC 180.9.5.1 P434 L 43 # 86 The gray mapping details are not the same as the adopted baseline, where even bits of each 8-bit block (c 8i,c 8i+1,c 8i+2,c 8i+3,c 8i+4,c 8i+5,c 8i+6,c 8i+7) should be Johnson, John Broadcom mapped to X polarization and odd bits should be mapped to Y polarization, see page 16 of DGD Comment Type Comment Status D https://www.ieee802.org/3/di/public/23 07/nicholl 3dj 02a 2307.pdf (also see OIF 800ZR Max mean DGD value of 0.8ps is inconsistent with previous 500m PMDs. Max mean DGD IA) for 500m is 0.5ps in Cl. 121, 124 and 140. Because of the short reach, this tighter spec SuggestedRemedy imposes no burden. Chang "(c 8i,c 8i+1)" to "(c 8i,c 8i+2)" in line 39; SuggestedRemedy chang "(c 8i+2,c 8i+3)" to "(c 8i+4,c 8i+6)" in line 40; Change Max mean DGD in Table 180-16 from 0.8ps to 0.5ps. chang "(c\_8i+4,c\_8i+5)" to "(c\_8i+1,c\_8i+3)" in line 41; chang "(c\_8i+6,c\_8i+7)" to "(c\_8i+5,c\_8i+7)" in line 42 Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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C/ 180 SC 180.9.5.1 P434 L 45 # 87 C/ 181 SC 181.9.5.1 P458 L12 # 90 Johnson, John Broadcom Johnson, John Broadcom Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type T Comment Status D First word of Table 180-16, footnote (a), should be capitalized Max mean DGD value of 0.8ps is inconsistent with previous 500m PMDs. Max mean DGD for 500m is 0.5ps in Cl. 121, 124 and 140. Because of the short reach, this tighter spec SuggestedRemedy imposes no burden. Capitalize the first word of Table 180-16, footnote (a): "Dispersion ..." SuggestedRemedy Proposed Response Response Status W Change Max mean DGD in Table 181-14 from 0.8ps to 0.5ps. PROPOSED ACCEPT. Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. C/ 181 SC 181.7.1 P448 L36 # 88 Johnson, John Broadcom C/ 181 SC 181.9.9 P459 L17 # 91 Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) Johnson, John Broadcom RIN17.10MA should have been changed to RINxxOMA per D1.3 comment #343 resolution. Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket) SuggestedRemedy A sentence should have been added to this sub-clause based on D1.3 comment #333 Change "RIN17.1OMA" to "RINxxOMA" in Table 181-6. resolution. SuggestedRemedy Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. Add the following sentence to the end of the paragraph: "The extinction ratio is measured using waveforms captured at the output of the reference receiver defined in 181.9.5, before the reference equalizer." C/ 181 SC 181.8 P452 L43 # 89 Proposed Response Response Status W Johnson, John Broadcom PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Comment Status D Comment Type Т fiber model Implement suggested remedy with editorial license The description of the generic fiber cabling model should be the same for all PMDs. C/ 181 SC 181.9.11 P459 L36 SuggestedRemedy Broadcom Johnson, John Use the same description in 181.8 as in 180.8, which was improved in D1.4. Comment Status D Comment Type (bucket) Proposed Response Response Status W Remove extra "the" PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Implement suggested remedy with editorial license. SuggestedRemedy Change "RINxxOMA of each lane, with "xx" referring to the 17.1, ..." "RINxxOMA of each lane, with "xx" referring to 17.1, ..." Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

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C/ 182 SC 182.8 P478 L 23 # 93 Johnson, John Broadcom Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) The 182.8 sub-clause heading should be capitalized SuggestedRemedy Change "182.8 optical channel characteristics" to "182.8 Optical channel characteristics" Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. C/ 182 SC 182.9.9 P485 L47 # 94 Johnson, John Broadcom Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) A sentence should have been added to this sub-clause based on D1.3 comment #333 resolution.

SugaestedRemedy

Add the following sentence to the end of the paragraph:

"The extinction ratio is measured using waveforms captured at the output of the reference receiver defined in 182.9.5, before the reference equalizer."

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PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

C/ 183 SC 183.8 P503 L18 # 95 Johnson, John Broadcom

Comment Status D Comment Type Т

fiber model

The description of the generic fiber cabling model should be the same for all PMDs.

SuggestedRemedy

Use the same description in 183.8 as in 180.8, which was improved in D1.4.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

C/ 180 SC 180.9.1 P431

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Johnson, John Comment Type Broadcom

Comment Status D

Table 180-13 has an extra, empty line

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the extra line in Table 180-13

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PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Resolve using the response to comment #22.

C/ 180 SC 180.9.5 P433

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Johnson, John Comment Type Broadcom

Comment Status D

**TDFCQ** 

(bucket)

The sentence describing the counter-propagating signal requirements is overly long and difficult to parse.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace the sentence.

"TDECQ is defined with all receive lanes in operation using test pattern 3 or 5 (see Table 180-13) with the patterns asynchronous to the pattern used to test the transmitter and the receive lanes have power levels specified for the aggressor lanes under stressed receiver sensitivity in Table 180-8."

with the following sentences:

"TDECQ is defined with all receive lanes in operation using test pattern 3 or 5 (see Table 180-13). The received test patterns shall be asynchronous to the pattern used to test the transmitter, and shall have power levels as specified in Table 180-8 for the aggressor lanes in the stressed receiver sensitivity test."

This remedy should also be applied to clauses 181.9.5, 182.9.5 and 183.9.5, with editorial license.

Proposed Response

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Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

C/ 173 SC 173.4.2 P231 L 45 # 98 Huber, Thomas Nokia Comment Type Т Comment Status D (bucket) Since 800GBASE-ER1 is now described as a FEC sublaver, the interface below an 8:32 PMA can also be 800GBASE-ER1 FEC sublaver. SuggestedRemedy Change "The interface below the PMA (32 lanes) connects with a PHY 800GXS or 800GBASE-LR1 Inner FEC." to "The interface below the PMA (32 lanes) connects with a PHY 800GXS, 800GBASE-ER1 FEC, or 800GBASE-LR1 Inner FEC.", and update Figure 173-3 to include 800GBASE-ER1 as well. Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. C/ 184 SC 184.2 P518 L3 # 99 Huber, Thomas Nokia Comment Type Comment Status D (bucket) The PHY 800GXS cannot be a client of the Inner FEC. By definition the PHY XS goes all the way back to the MII. so it must connect to a PCS. SuggestedRemedy Remove "PHY 800GXS" from the block at the top of Figure 184-2 Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. C/ 184 SC 184.3 P519 1 24 # 100 Huber, Thomas Nokia Comment Type T Comment Status D

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The PHY 800GXS cannot be a client of the Inner FEC. By definition the PHY XS goes all the way back to the MII, so it must connect to a PCS.

SugaestedRemedy

Remove "PHY 800GXS" from the first sentence of 184.3

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C/ 184 SC 184.3 L38 P519 # 101

Huber, Thomas Nokia

Comment Type т Comment Status D (bucket)

It is not clear what is meant by the statements that FEC:IS UNITDATA i.request is the same as PMA:IS UNITDATA i.indication for the PMA 32:8. and FEC:IS UNITDATA i.indication is the same as PMA:IS UNITDATA i.request for the PMA 32:8. PMA:IS UNITDATA i.indication is a signal that comes from the sublaver below a PMA into the PMA, while FEC:IS UNITDATA i, request is a signal that the FEC sublaver sends to the sublayer below it. How can those be the same thing?

SuggestedRemedy

Rewrite these sentences to more clearly state what was intended.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change: "FEC:IS UNITDATA i.request is the same as PMA:IS UNITDATA i.indication for the PMA 32:8 defined in 173.3.

FEC:IS UNITDATA i.indication is the same as PMA:IS UNITDATA i.request for the PMA 32:8 defined in 173.3."

To: "FEC:IS UNITDATA i.request is the same as PMA:IS UNITDATA i.request for the PMA 32:8 defined in 173.2.

FEC:IS UNITDATA i.indication is the same as PMA:IS UNITDATA i.indication for the PMA 32:8 defined in 173.2."

C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.5.2 P**572** L49 # 102

Huber, Thomas Nokia

Comment Status R Comment Type T (withdrawn)

The STAT byte also includes a field named MNT that is used when the frame is in test pattern mode.

SuggestedRemedy

Add specification for the MNT field, aligned with what is in OIF 800ZR. If 800GBASE-ER1 doesn't need to use it, state that it is always set to zero.

Response Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

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 CI 186
 SC 186.2.3.5.5
 P573
 L10
 # 103

 Huber, Thomas
 Nokia

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 (bucket)

The byte numbers for the MAP field are incorrect - per figure 186-6, MAP occupies bytes 6-9 rather than 7-10.

SuggestedRemedy

Correct the byte numbering.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.8 P577 L10 # 104

Nokia

Huber, Thomas

Comment Type T Comment Status D

(bucket)

Figure 186-9 is not as clear as it could be. The 1 182 480 bits are indicating the number of bits in the entire shaded area (minus the CRC32 and 64bit pad, i.e., 116x10280).

SuggestedRemedy

Shade the CRC32 and PAD areas differently from the main part of the frame. Make the 1 192 480 bits larger and put it on an angle so it is more clear that it refers to the entire shared area, not the block of 105 rows that are not shown. Add row numbers for the missing rows 5-8 and indicate the larger block in the middle as rows 9...113.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

C/ 186 SC 186.2.4.6.2 P580 L47 # 105

Huber, Thomas Nokia

Comment Type T Comment Status R

(withdrawn)

The STAT byte also includes a field named MNT that is used when the frame is in test pattern mode.

SuggestedRemedy

Add description of the MNT field.

Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

Cl 186 SC 186.7.1 P607 L25 # 106

Huber, Thomas Nokia

Comment Type T Comment Status D ER1 MDIO

In tables 186-7 and 186-8, there are a number of rows that are missing a variable reference. These are all variables that are related to the "Inverse RS FEC" function that is specified by reference to clause 172.

SuggestedRemedy

Determine if all these variables are needed, add references for the ones that are and delete any that are not needed.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For the variable reference, list both the subclause of the inverse FEC function (186.2.x) and the subclause of 172 where the variable is defined.

Details to be provided in editorial team slides.

Cl 186 SC 186.7.1 P607 L25 # 107

Nokia

Huber, Thomas

Comment Type T Comment Status D

ER1 MDIO

In tables 186-7 and 186-8, there are a number of rows that are missing MDIO register/bit numbers and pointers to clause 45.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the missing register/bit numbers and pointers to clause 45.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Specify the registers as indicated in the editorial slides.

CI 185 SC 185.6.2 P551 L 34 # 108

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type T Comment Status D RX sensitivity

In addition to the Average Receive Power (min) there should be an entry for Receiver Sensitivity. Average Receive power is at TP3 including link optical impairments, while sensitivity (informative) is defined without optical impairments.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add an entry in Table 186-6 for Receiver Sensitivity (Average Power, max) with units of dBm as an informative specification. A supporting presentation will be provided.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

<URL>/maniloff 3dj 01 2503

Cl 185 SC 185.8.15 P556 L46 # 109

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type T Comment Status D RX average power

Average receive power as specified in Table 185-6 should include optical impairments, and be specified with the minimum Transmitter OSNR.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Update the definition for Average receive power in 185.8.15 to specify that is specified at TP3, and includes the Optical Penalties defined in Table 185-7. A supporting presentation will be provided.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

<URL>/maniloff\_3dj\_01\_2503

Cl 185 SC 185.8.x P556 L50 # 110

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type T Comment Status D RX sensitivity

A definition for Receiver Sensitivity should be provided. Receiver Sensitivity does not include Optical Penalties, and is an informative specification.

#### SugaestedRemedy

Add a definition for receiver sensitivity in Clause 185.8. A supporting presentation will be provided.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

<URL>/maniloff 3di 01 2503

Cl 187 SC 187.6.2 P624 L33 # 111

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type T Comment Status D RX sensitivity

In addition to the Average Receive Power (min) there should be an entry for Receiver Sensitivity. Average Receive power is at TP3 including link optical impairments, while sensitivity (informative) is defined without optical impairments. A supporting presentation will be provided.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Add an entry in Table 187-6 for Receiver Sensitivity (Average Power, max) with units of dBm as an informative specification. A supporting presentation will be provided.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

<URL>/maniloff 3di 01 2503

Cl 187 SC 187.6.3 P625 L18 # 112

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type T Comment Status D RX average power

The Average Receive power defined in Table 187-6 includes 1dB of unallocated loss for 800GBASE-ER1. This isn't included in Table 187-7

## SuggestedRemedy

Update the value for Addition insertion loss allowed fir 800GBASE-ER1 to 1dB

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 187 SC 187.8.16 P629 L45 # 113

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type T Comment Status D RX average power

Average receive power as specified in Table 187-6 includes optical impairments, and is specified with the minimum Transmitter OSNR.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Update the definition for Average receive power in 187.8.16 to specify that is specified at TP3, and includes the Optical Penalties defined in Table 187-7. A supporting presentation will be provided.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

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 CI 187
 SC 187.8.17
 P629
 L49
 # 114

 Maniloff, Eric
 Ciena

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 RX sensitivity

A definition for Receiver Sensitivity should be provided. Receiver Sensitivity does not include Optical Penalties, and is an informative specification.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a definition for receiver sensitivity in clause 187-7. A supporting presentation will be provided.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion. <URL>/maniloff 3di 01 2503

Cl 184 SC 184.5.10 P530 L49 # 115

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D LR1 PRBS

A PRBS31 test pattern checker was added in D1.4. It is defined as being optional. However, this test pattern can be used for block error ratio measurements as defined for PAM4 PMDs and AUIs in 176.7.4.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "The Inner FEC may optionally include"

To "The Inner FEC shall include"

Add the follow text: "The PRBS31 checker includes block error detection and counters as specified in 176.7.4.7."

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the related contribution and task force.

<URL>/brown 3di 04 2503

Cl 176 SC 176.7.4.7 P304 L31 # 116

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D PRBS requirements

The block error detection and counters is required for the PRBS31 checker as well.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Each PRBS31Q test pattern checker"

To "Each PRBS31 (see 176.7.4.1) or PRBS31Q (see 176.7.4.2) test pattern checker"

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review and CRG discussion of the following contribution:

<URL>/dudek\_3dj\_01\_2503

Resolve using the response to comment #123.

CI 185 SC 185.2 P542 L39 # 117

Brown, Matt Alphawave Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D

LR1 PRBS

Other comments propose that with the addition of the PRBS31 generator and checker in the 800GBASE-LR1 Inner FEC it is now possible to assess the quality detected signal using block error counters similar to the method for PAM4 PMDs and AUIs as defined in 174A.7.1.

SuggestedRemedy

Update the specification for a PMD receiver in 185.2 accordingly.

Provide test configuration and method in 174A.

A contribution will be provided.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion:

<URL>/brown 3dj 04 2503

Cl 184 SC 184.4.3 P520 L25 # 118

Brown, Matt Alphawaye Semi

Comment Type T Comment Status D

I R1 PRBS

A PRBS31 test pattern generator was added in D1.4. It is defined as being optional. However, this test pattern can be used for block error ratio measurements as defined for PAM4 PMDs and AUIs.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: "The Inner FEC may optionally include a PRBS31"

To: "The Inner FEC shall include a PRBS31"

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 169 L15 C/ 174 SC 174.5 L23 SC 169.2.4c P179 # 119 P243 Dudek, Mike Marvell Dudek, Mike Marvell Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type Ε Comment Status D Poor English (missing object) Better wording SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change " and replaces with a Change "No physically instantiated interfaces at SP2 and SP3 (PMD service interface) are separate FEC " to "and replaces it with a separate FEC" specified " to "No physically instantiated interfaces are specified at SP2 and SP3 (PMD service interface) " Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. C/ 171 SC 171.1 P197 L17 # 120 The general wording change is a good suggestion. However, SP3 should be SP5. Dudek, Mike Marvell Change: Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) "No physically instantiated interfaces at SP2 and SP3 (PMD service interface) are In table 171-1 Footnote c should have been changed to footnote d on clauses 120G. 176C specified." and 176D as well as 120F To: SuggestedRemedy "No physically instantiated interfaces are specified at SP2 and SP5 (PMD service interface)." change footnote c to footnote d on these clauses Proposed Response Response Status W C/ 176 SC 176.7.4 P304 L 54 PROPOSED ACCEPT. Dudek, Mike Marvell Comment Type TR Comment Status D C/ 171 SC 171.1 P198 L16 # 121 It is confusing that in this section it says "the PMA may optionally generate and detect test Dudek, Mike Marvell patterns" whereas in 176.7.4.1 it says "A PMA shall include a PRBS31 pattern generator and checker" and in 176.7.4.1 it says "A PMA shall include a PRBS31Q pattern generator Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) and checker". Does this mean that all PMA's have to include both the PRBS31 and In table 171-1a Footnote a should have been changed to footnote b on clauses 120G, PRBS31Q generators and checkers but it is optional to use them? If I look at Figures 176-176C and 176D as well as 120F 2.12 and 13, the test pattern generate and check are always respectively before the PAM4 SuggestedRemedy encode and after the PAM4 decode but the SSPRQ and PRBSQ and square wave patterns shouldn't be further PAM4 encoded. change footnote a to footnote b on these clauses Proposed Response SuggestedRemedy Response Status W Clarify the diagrams and descriptions. 
I think the requirement for the PRBS31 test PROPOSED ACCEPT. pattern generator and checker is only required for a PMA when it is connected to an Inner FEC. (or maybe the PRBS31Q pattern is not needed because it is generated by inputing

> PRBS31 into the PAM4 encoder. Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending CRG review of the following presentation:

<URL>/dudek\_3dj\_01\_2503

Update the descriptions of the optional and mandatory pattern generator/checkers in 176.7.4 with editorial license.

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# 122

# 123

PRBS requirements

(bucket)

 CI 177
 SC 177.4.1.2
 P317
 L31
 # 124

 Dudek, Mike
 Marvell

 Comment Type
 E
 Comment Status
 D
 Skew Value

The thought is "as defined in 175.2.5.1 except that ....."

## SuggestedRemedy

Move the comma's so that "For 800GBASE-R PHYs, after alignment marker lock is achieved on each of the eight PCSLs in an input stream, Skew between PCSLs is removed as defined in 172.2.5.1, except that a maximum Skew of 25 ns is supported between PCS lanes" becomes "For 800GBASE-R PHYs, after alignment marker lock is achieved on each of the eight PCSLs in an input stream Skew between PCSLs is removed, as defined in 172.2.5.1 except that a maximum Skew of 25 ns is supported between PCS lanes. Make an equivalent change for 1.6T in the following paragraph.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

one bit errors" should be "one bit error"

SuggestedRemedy

Correct it.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 176C SC 176C.5.4 P708 L48 # 126

Dudek, Mike Marvell

Comment Type TR Comment Status D Steady-state voltage

The max initiliazation voltage for ILT is 0.5 \* (0.75+0.025) = 0.3875. Only if the receiver asks for a higher voltage than this during training will it ever exceed this and the receiver should be able to choose not to do this.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change Amplitude tolerance from 0.5V to 0.39V. Add to the end of the footnote "in the Initialize condition". Make the same change in Tables 176D-4 and 176D-5.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Amplitude tolerance is defined in terms of steady-state voltage which is defined at preset 1 , so the existing value is correct.

However, an informative note would be helpful to clarify the requirement.

Add the following note after Table 176C-4:

"NOTE -Steady-state voltage is defined with preset 1. It is not initially generated by a transmitter, due to the initialize setting in Table 176D–9. The receiver is not required to tolerate preset 1 unless it specifically requests it."

Add similar notes after Table 176D-4 and Table 176D-5.

In 176C.5.4.2 change

"When a PMD receiver is connected to a compliant transmitter that has the maximum allowed steady-state voltage (see Table 178–9)"

"When a PMD receiver is connected to a compliant transmitter that has a steady-state voltage (as defined in 179.9.4.1.2) equal to the Amplitude tolerance listed in Table 176C-4"

Implement with editorial license.

[CC: 176C, 176D]

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C/ 178B SC 178B.4 L 50 # 127 P769

Dudek, Mike Marvell

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type TR

The PMA adjacent to a PCS still has 2 interfaces, it is just that only one is exposed.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "one or two interfaces" to "one or two exposed interfaces." At the end of the paragraph add "Only exposed interfaces participate in ILT".

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change: "Devices in a path may include one or two interfaces. An example of the former is a PMA adjacent to a PCS

or to a PHY XS with a single AUI-C2M (Annex 176D) or AUI-C2C (Annex 176C) interface (the interface

with the PCS or PHY XS is never exposed)."

To: "Devices in a path may include one or two physically-instrantiated interfaces. specifically PMD or AUI components. An example of the former is a PMA adjacent to a PCS or to a PHY XS with a single AUI-C2M (Annex 176D) or AUI-C2C (Annex 176C) interface (the interface with the PCS or PHY XS is never physically-instrantiated)."

At the beginning of the first paragraph in 178B.x add the following sentence:

"The ILT function is used by the AUI component or PMD at each end of a physicallyinstantiated interface."

Implement with editorial license.

C/ 178B SC 178B.11 P**785** L 27 # 128

Dudek. Mike Marvell

Comment Type TR Comment Status D References

The reference to 179.9.4.1.5 leads to a specific set of ranges that are different for different AUI's.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "(see 179.9.4.1.5)" to " see e.g. 179.9.4.1.5"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement with editorial license

C/ 178 L40 SC 178.8.9 P387 # 129 Dudek, Mike Marvell Comment Status D ILT defaults

Annex 178B has been written generically so that the PMD clauses and AUI annexes specificy the details however these clauses and annexes are not specifying the initial bring up defaults.

SuggestedRemedy

Add to the ILT function sub clauses for clauses 178 and 179 and annexes 176C and 176D. "The default settings used after reset or power up is free running PRBS31 with PAM2 encoding and the Initialize coefficient initial conditions" For clauses 180 to 184 add to the ILT function subclauses "The default settings used after reset or power up is free running PRBS31 with PAM4 encoding without precoding"

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT. The default state for training pattern is defined explicitly in 178B.6.3.

"The training pattern selector is set to synchronous PRBS13 and the modulation to PAM2 upon entry to the QUIET state of the Training control state diagram (see Figure 178B-8)." For electrical interfaces, the transmitter FIR state is initialized in the OUT OF SYNC state in Figure 178B-10 (Coefficient update state diagram).

C/ 179B SC 179B.2.1 P806 L 41 # 130 Dudek, Mike Marvell Comment Status D Comment Type TR Test fixtures ILdd

Equation 179B-1 is the reference test fixture insertion loss this is not measured and therefore should not have frequency limits associated with it. (particularly as it has been shown that anomolies above 67GHz can affect performance)

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the frequency range. Also for equations 179B-2 and 179B-5

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The reference is defined up to 67 GHz. This follows precedence in earlier projects, e.g., 162B.2.1, in which reference is defined within a finite frequency range.

Equations 179B-1. 179B-2. and 179B-3 are plotted in Figures 179B-1 and 179B-2. respectively, at the defined frequency range.

The comment states that "anomolies above 67GHz can affect performance", but does not provide a reference for this claim (specifically when these anomalies are in test fixtures).

 CI 179
 SC 179.9.4.6
 P 387
 L 47
 # 131

 Dudek, Mike
 Marvell

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 Jitter

Crosstalk from the output stage of a driver could affect the Phase only jitter, and this should be included in the measurement of Jrms. The amplitude crosstalk has been shown not to affect the Phase Only Jitter measurement.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "Lanes not under test transmit either PRBS31Q or scrambled idle, with transmitter output disabled." to "Lanes not under test transmit either PRBS31Q or scrambled idle. For testing J4u03 abd EOJ03 the transmitter output is disabled."

Proposed Response Response Status W

#### PROPOSED REJECT.

The comment seems to suggest that crosstalk can affect the clock phase. It is not clear that this is expected to be a significant effect that should be included in the measurement. Assuming the effect is insignificant, it is preferable that all jitter parameters be measurable from the same signal.

The comment does not provide sufficient justification to support the suggested remedy.

 CI 178
 SC 178.2
 P 344
 L1
 # [132]

 Dudek, Mike
 Marvell

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 error ratio

It is very convoluted to find what the block error ratio specification is from the reference to 174A.7

#### SuggestedRemedy

Change "A PMD receiver is expected to meet the block error ratio specifications in 174A.7, measured at the PMA adjacent to the PMD, with BERadded equal to 1.6 × 10–5." to A PMD receiver is expected to meet the block error ratio of 1.45e-11 as described in 174A.7, measured at the PMA adjacent to the PMD, with BERadded equal to 1.6 × 10–5." Make the equivalent change in clauses 179 to 183 and annexes 176C and 176D. (Note the required block error ratio is the same value of 1.45e-11 for all these clauses and annexes)

Proposed Response Status W

#### PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment and suggested remedy have merit. Editorial slides will be provided. For CRG discussion.

Cl 178 SC 178.2 P344 L4 # 133

Dudek, Mike Marvell

Comment Type T Comment Status D error ratio

It is convoluted to find what the block error ratio specification is from the reference to 174A.8

#### SuggestedRemedy

Change the reference from 174A.8 to 174.8A.8.1.4. Make the equivalent change in clauses 179 to 183

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT. [Editor's note: CC: 178 to 183]

Cl 176D SC 176D.8.12 P738 L13 # 134

Dudek, Mike Marvell

Comment Type T Comment Status D

ITOI

For the module test 1 the footnote a says that this is with the mated MCB and HCB with no frequency dependent attenuator which should be the correct set up, approximately equivalent to the minimum loss the host will see. However the values for min and max attenuation have only 1dB variation which is less than is being considered for the specification for the mated compliance boards.

## SuggestedRemedy

Update the min and max values to match the adopted values for the mated test fixture (expected to be adopted at the March meeting).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending resolution of comments regarding MTF IL tolerance. Change the minimum and maximum for test 1 to match the MTF specification.

Cl 179 SC 179.9.4.6.2 P388 L50 # 135

Calvin, John Keysight Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket)

Equation 179-17 was intended to track the concensus reached with last sentence of page-5 of: https://www.ieee802.org/3/dj/public/25\_01/calvin\_3dj\_01b\_2501.pdf which cites the Root Mean Squared value would be used. We are missing the "Mean" from the equation 179-17. it needs to read Jnu03 = sqrt(1/2(inu1^2 + inu2^2).

#### SuggestedRemedy

edit the radicand to include a sqrt(1/2 (jnu1^2 + jnu2^2)) or alternatly remove the equation. The concept of RMS is broadly understood in the field of mathmatics and likely does not need an IEEE definition.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The equation is provided to prevent confusion between the RMS used here and JRMS. However, the comment identifies an error that needs to be be corrected.

Add the missing 1/2 factor inside the square root.

Cl 179 SC 179.9.4.6.1 P388 L12 # 136

Calvin, John Keysight Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

The text at the end of this sentence "(e.g., it is preferable to measure jitter around points with high slope)." is missleading. The building of the jrms -vs- slewrate model depends on all edges to build an accurate model.

## SuggestedRemedy

remove the example text "(e.g., it is preferable to measure jitter around points with high slope)."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment states that the transitions selected should include multiple transitions; while the text that emphasizes the 03 and 30 transitions.

The suggested remedy addresses this claim only partly. The recommended choice of transitions should be changed.

The parenthesized text was meant to recommend that per transition, the threshold should be set to have the highest slope. However, this is not necessarily the right choice, and it was not included in the original proposal, so it should be removed.

Change from: "The set A should include multiple transitions from the symbol 0 to the symbol 3 and multiple transitions from the symbol 3 to the symbol 0. Other transitions may also be included"

To: "The set A should include multiple transitions between different PAM4 levels".

Delete "(e.g., it is preferable to measure jitter around points with high slope)".

Implement with editorial license.

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Jitter

Cl 179 SC 179.9.4.6.3 P389 L4 # 137

Calvin, John Keysight Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status D Jitter

From January 25'th interim session:

https://www.ieee802.org/3/dj/public/25\_01/calvin\_3dj\_01b\_2501.pdf page-10 we had come to a concensus to not use composite methods and to use individual RMS of the EOJ03 results.

## SuggestedRemedy

Revise the EOJ03 text to assert "...even-odd jitter, except that only the transitions R03 and F30 defined in 179.9.4.6.2 are used." to instead assert "..even-odd jitter, except that only the RMS values of the transitions R03 and F30, defined in 179.9.4.6.2 are used."

Proposed Response Status W

## PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The existing definition of EOJ\_03, based on 162.9.4.7 and 120D.3.1.8.2 with the listed exception, means that the maximum of measurements of EOJ on two edges, R03 and F30, is taken.

The editor interprets the suggested remedy as a request that EOJ be defined as the RMS, instead of the maximum, of these two measurements, as proposed in the quoted contribution.

Pending CRG discussion, implement this proposal with editorial license.

C/ 176D SC 176D.6.3 P727 L38 # [138

Calvin, John Keysight Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status D

JRMS value of .023 UI is below the value of most 212G silicon. Recommend making this .026 UI.

#### SuggestedRemedy

.023 is un-realistically tight and has 0 margin, recommend making this value 0.026

Proposed Response Response Status W

#### PROPOSED REJECT.

The definition of JRMS has changed in D1.4. No measurement results with the new definition have been presented.

Changes to transmitter specifications can affect the COM parameters and receiver specifications.

It is recommended to provide data and explore this topic further during Working Group Ballot.

Cl 179B SC 179B.4.1 P808 L15 # 139

Sekel, Steve Wilder Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status D Test fixtures ILdd

MTF ILdd max and min limit lines are TBD

## SuggestedRemedy

Insert upper and lower MTF ILdd limit lines in figure 197B-2 and equations 179B-3 & 179B.4 using values presented in contribuion given in March plenary

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment and the suggested remedy are reasonable, but consensus is not obvious.

Pending review and CRG discussion of the following contribution:

<URL>/sekel\_3dj\_01\_2503

Cl 179A SC 179A-1 P804 L23 # 140

Sekel, Steve Wilder Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status D Test fixtures ILdd

Informative ILdd for MCB now includes the module connector, and PCB only losses are no longer referenced

## SuggestedRemedy

In Figure 179A-1 Mated test fixture, remove loss dimension lines labled "3.5 dB" and "2.7 dB". Move the right side of the 3.5 dB dimension line to the inner edge of the MCB connector and relabel the value to 5.95 dB

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The editorial team wil provide an illustration of the suggested remedy in

<URL>/ran 3dj 01 2503.

Pending review and CRG discussion of the following contribution:

<URL>/sekel 3dj 01 2503

Cl 179B SC 179B.3.1 P807 L21 # 141

Sekel, Steve Wilder Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status D

(bucket)

Figure 179B-1 is labled "Test fixtures PCB reference insertion losses", however the text for the cable assemble test fixture (MCB) states that the loss include the PCB, connector and associated vias, so the "PCB" in the figure description caption is not valid

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the word "PCB" from Figure 179B-1 caption

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

MPI

Cl 179B SC 179B.4.1 P808 L27 # 142

Sekel, Steve Wilder Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status D Test fixtures ILdd

Mated Test Fixture nominal ILdd reference line and equation are based on early prototype data not representative of fixutres built with updated connectors

SuggestedRemedy

Replace ILdd reference line for MTF in figure 197B-2 and equation 197B-5 with values presented in contribution to be presented during March plenary

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment and the suggested remedy are reasonable, but consensus is not obvious. Pending review and CRG discussion of the following contribution: <URL>/sekel\_3di\_01\_2503

Cl 180 SC 180.7.3 P427 L46 # 143

Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

MPI/DGP penalty of 0.1 dB would be too small for 200GBASE-DR1 unless one uses method of CL124 to trade off channel loss with MPI penalty

SuggestedRemedy

If one tries to calcualte 200GBASE-DR MPI penalty as fixed penalty then it would 0.4 dB plus 0.18 dB for DGD then total penalty for this PMD is 0.58 dB 400GBASE-DR2/800GBASE-DR4/800GBASE-DR8 MPI penalty is 0.12 dB with 0.18 dB DGD the total penalty for this PMD is 0.3 dB. Need to use method in CL 140 as in tabel 140-12 to trade off number of discrete reflectances and max channel loss. The BS/CD MPI penalty were evaluated with ER of 5 dB which is too high for 200G Si MZM. In addition need revisit the BER and confidence level. see ghiasi\_3dj\_01\_2503

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

<URL>/ghiasi\_3dj\_01\_2503

Cl 180 SC 180.9.5 P433 L21 # 144

Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

Comment Type TR Comment Status R (withdrawn)

Agreed conunter propagating crosstalk source per D1.3 comment 140

SuggestedRemedy

please implement comment 140 counter-propagating text agreed to the condition of TDECQ measurement.

Counter-propagating asynchronous optical signals (crosstalk) as specified for the aggressor used in receiver stress tests is applied to all the PMD receive inputs at TP3. For Clause 180/181, the crosstalk test pattern can be pattern 3, 5, or 7. For Clause 182/183, the crosstalk pattern can be pattern 5 or 7.

Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

Cl 181 SC 181.7.3 P448 L48 # 145

Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

Comment Type TR Comment Status D MPI

MPI/DGP penalty of 0.5 dB maybe to small for this PMD type

SuggestedRemedy

The MPI penalty is 0.41 dB and DGD penalty is 0.18 the total penalty is 0.59 dB if we use fixed penalty and ER of 3.5 dB as the origonal MPI analysis in the 802.3bs assumed ER of 5 dB which is too high for 200G Si MZM. Revisiting MPI penalty also for CL181 would worthwhile. See Ghiasi 3di 01 2503

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

<URL>/ghiasi 3di 01 2503

(withdrawn)

MPI

C/ 181 SC 181.9.5 P456 L52 # 146 Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

Comment Status R Agreed conunter propagating crosstalk source per D1.3 comment 140

SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type

please implement comment 140 counter-propagating text agreed to the condition of TDECQ measurement.

Counter-propagating asynchronous optical signals (crosstalk) as specified for the aggressor used in receiver stress tests is applied to all the PMD receive inputs at TP3. For Clause 180/181, the crosstalk test pattern can be pattern 3, 5, or 7. For Clause 182/183, the crosstalk pattern can be pattern 5 or 7.

Response Response Status Z

TR

TR

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

C/ 182 L46 SC 182.7.3 P477 # 147 Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

Comment Status D

With fixed MPI/DGP penalty of 0.4 dB would not be sufficent for 200GBASE-DR-2 but too much for 400GBASE-DR2-2, 800GBASE-DR4-2, and 1.6TBASE-DR8-2. If we use method of CL124 to trade off channel loss with MPI penalty then we can reconcile these difference

SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type

If one tries to calcualte 200GBASE-DR-2 MPI penalty as fixed penalty then it would 0.5 dB plus 0.18 dB for DGD then total penalty for this PMD is 0.63 dB 400GBASE-DR2/800GBASE-DR4/800GBASE-DR8 MPI penalty is 0.1 dB with 0.18 dB DGD the total penalty for this PMD is 0.28 dB. Need to use method in CL 140 as in tabel 140-12 to trade off number of discrete reflectances and max channel loss. The BS/CD MPI penalty were evaluated with ER of 5 dB which is too high for 200G Si MZM. In addition need revisit the BER and confidence level. see ghiasi\_3dj\_01\_2503

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

<URL>/ghiasi 3dj 01 2503

C/ 182 SC 182.9.5 P483 L 35 # 148

Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell Ghiasi, Ali

Comment Type TR Comment Status R (withdrawn)

Agreed conunter propagating crosstalk source per D1.3 comment 140

SuggestedRemedy

please implement comment 140 counter-propagating text agreed to the condition of TDECQ measurement.

Counter-propagating asynchronous optical signals (crosstalk) as specified for the aggressor used in receiver stress tests is applied to all the PMD receive inputs at TP3. For Clause 180/181, the crosstalk test pattern can be pattern 3, 5, or 7. For Clause 182/183, the crosstalk pattern can be pattern 5 or 7.

Response Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

C/ 183 SC 183.7.3 P501 L 51 # 149

Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

MPI Comment Type TR Comment Status D

MPI/DGP penalty of 0.5 dB is larger than needed for 800GBASE-LR4

SuggestedRemedy

MPI/DGD can be reduced to 0.3 dB then link budget increased by 0.1 dB or allocated to DGD. See Ghiasi 3dj\_01\_2503

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the following presentation and CRG discussion.

<URL>/ghiasi 3dj 01 2503

(bucket)

C/ 183 P507 L52 SC 183.9.5 # 150

Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell Ghiasi, Ali

Comment Type TR Comment Status R (withdrawn)

Agreed conunter propagating crosstalk source per D1.3 comment 140

SuggestedRemedy

please implement comment 140 counter-propagating text agreed to the condition of TDECQ measurement.

Counter-propagating asynchronous optical signals (crosstalk) as specified for the aggressor used in receiver stress tests is applied to all the PMD receive inputs at TP3. For Clause 180/181, the crosstalk test pattern can be pattern 3, 5, or 7. For Clause 182/183, the crosstalk pattern can be pattern 5 or 7.

Response Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

C/ 176D SC 176D.7.2 P731 L 51 # 151

Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

Comment Status D Comment Type TR

The partial channel is only needed for cable assembly CR and not for C2M which has the complete S-Parameters

SuggestedRemedy

Partial channel not need for C2M COM and should be removed

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The host channel model is used in dSNDR (176D.8.7) and in host interference tolerance test calibration (176D.8.12.2). This channel includes the partial channel (subject of this comment) and a physical MCB (see, e.g., Figure 176D-7b).

The partial host channel constitutes most of the 32 dB IL which is the consenus IL budget for the C2M channel.

C/ 178 P351 L12 SC 178.9.2.7 # 152

Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell Ghiasi, Ali

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket)

The reference pacakge A and B SDNR are known specific value

SuggestedRemedy

I belive these are the value in

https://www.ieee802.org/3/dj/public/24\_11/healey\_3dj\_01\_2411.pdf page 5 at least for package A, for service to community reference SNDR should be provided

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The changes requested by the comment are examples of a fully specified calculation, and as such are not required for technical completeness.

Multiple values would be required, depending on package class and equalization setting. The suggested remedy does not provide sufficient information for the editors to implement.

C/ 176D SC 176D.8.12 P738 L12 # 153

Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

Comment Status D

Interferecne tolerance test parameters in table only applicable at TP1 module input and not

for host input

SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type

The current test in tbale should be labled TP1 Module Input Interference Tolerance. Add 2nd row Interferecne Tolerance at TP4 host input test channel insertion loss will be zero.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

TR

The existing table has separate columns for host test (1 case) and for module tests (2

The suggested remedy is to use separate rows instead, but this is an editorial change that would not improve the draft.

The suggested remedy also includes setting the host input test channel IL to 0. This IL is currently marked as N/A, but as shown in Figure 176D-7b, the test channel for the host test comprises mated test fixtures, so it is identical to the channel in module test 1 (Figure 176D-8b without frequency dependent attenuator). The range of the IL of these mated test fixtures should be similar to that of module test 1.

Change the Host test channel IL from "N/A" to min and max, with same values as Module test 1 (which is addressed by comment #134).

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Cl 179B SC 179B.4.6 P812 L37 # 154

Ghiasi, Ali Ghiasi Qunatum/Marvell

Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket)

Remove extra space after 58.x

SuggestedRemedy

Remove extra space after 58.x

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 180 SC 180.2 P418 L37 # 155

Mi, Guangcan Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd

Comment Type TR Comment Status D Block error ratio

In this revision, the block error ratio spec is said to define the PMD receiver or the PHY receiver spec. I am having second thought about this.

The error ratio of an optical PMD/PHY is not met or defined by a receiver only. It must have a transmitter or receiver input signal. It seems odd to say " a PMD receiver is expected to meet the block error ratio.....", without specifying the PMD/PHY transmitter condition.

The same applies to all other optical PMD clauses.

### SuggestedRemedy

This reference of receiver seems meant to relate to the testing setup and definition in CL174A. A possible easy way to make the text more clear is to add some text describing the input signal condition. For example, "under optical transmitter signal compliant to this specification".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the text in 180.2 to the following...

With a compliant input signal, a PMD receiver is expected to meet the block error ratio specifications in 174A.7, measured at the PMA adjacent to the PMD, with BERadded equal to 6.4 × 10–5.

With a compliant input signal, a PHY receiver is expected to meet the block error ratio specifications in 174A.8, measured at the PCS, with BERadded equal to  $3.2 \times 10-5$ . Make similar changes in clause 180 through 183, 185, 187, 176C, 176D.

CI 176 SC 176.4.4.2.1 P294 L48 # 156

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

It appears that a second variable was added to this list. The introductory sentence should be updated.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: "The following variable is common ..."

To: "The following variables are common ..."

Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 119 SC 119.3.4a P167 L33 # 157

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D FEC counters (bucket)

119.3.4a and 119.3.4b add optional FEC counters, FEC\_cw\_counter and FEC\_codeword\_error\_bin\_i. In each subclause, the register definition is preceded by a statement that the defined counter is optional for the 200G/lane PHY types. While it is intended to add these registers as optional for the new PHY types in 802.3dj, this seems to imply that these new registers are "required" for all other PHYs (for example, previously specified PHYs over 50G and 100G lanes). It was likely the intent to not add these registers (as either required or optional) for other, older PHY types. However, there should be nothing wrong with just adding these registers as "optional" for all 200GE/400GE PHYs -- being optional would not affect the conformance of any previous implementations. Suggest removing the woring about being optional for specific PHY types and just make them optional for any implementation of the 200G/400G PCS.

#### SuggestedRemedy

In 119.3.4a and 119.3.4b remove the text:

"The following counter(s) is(are) optional if the PCS is used in any of the following PHY types:

- 200GBASE-KR1
- 200GBASE-CR1
- 200GBASE-DR1
- 200GBASE-DR1-2
- 400GBASE-KR2
- 400GBASE-CR2
- 400GBASE-DR2
- 400GBASE-DR2-2".

and modify the register definitions to say they are optional. Something like:

In 119.3.4a, change: "A 48-bit counter that counts" to: "An optional 48-bit counter that counts"

In 119.3.4b, change: "A set of fifteen 32-bit counters" to "An optional set of fifteen 32-bit counters"

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

It is out of scope to specify new (even optional) counters for existing 200G/400G PHYs not defined in 802.3dj. These optional counters should be defined only for use in the new PHYs specified in 802.3dj. However, the text needs to be updated to make this clear.

On page/line 167/33.

Change:

"The following counter is optional if the PCS is used in any of the following PHY types:"

To

"The following optional counters may be implemented for these PHY types:"

On page/line 167/50,

Change:

"The following counters are optional if the PCS is used in any of the following PHY types:" To:

"The following optional counters may be implemented for these PHY types:"

Implement with editorial license.

Cl 169 SC 169.2.4b P179 L11 # 158

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

The line "For 800GBASE-LR1 the 800GBASE-LR1 Inner FEC is specified in Clause 184.", the repeating 800GBASE-LR1 is confusing.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Change "For 800GBASE-LR1 the 800GBASE-LR1 Inner FEC is specified in Clause 184."

to either:

"For the 800GBASE-LR1 PHY, the Inner FEC is specified in Clause 184."

or

"The 800GBASE-LR1 Inner FEC is specified in Clause 184."

## Proposed Response Status W

#### PROPOSED REJECT.

Though it is somewhat awkward, the wording is consistent with many other similar sentences in 169.2. This is just a rare case where the sublayer name has the same qualifier as the PHY type. The proposed change does not improve the clarity or accuracy of the draft.

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C/ 169 SC 169.2.4c P179 L13 # 159

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D segmented FEC

169.2.4c describes a "Segmented FEC sublayer" with a reference to its definition in CL 186. However, CL 186 has no reference to and never uses the term "Segemented FEC". It does however describe a portion of the 800G-ER1 FEC sublayer as an "Inverse FEC". The term "Segmented FEC" is usually associated with an overall FEC architecture, not a particular sublaver.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change 169.2.4c to describe the "800GBASE-ER1 FEC" sublaver Instead of the "Segemented FEC" sublaver or else add something to CL 186 that defines what a "Segmented FEC sublayer" is.

The term "Segmented FEC" also appears in 169.3.2 on page 180, line 17. It should probably be changed to "800GBASE-ER1 FEC".

### Proposed Response

Response Status W

## PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The general description for this sublayer should be consistent between this introductory clause (169) and the clause that defines the FEC (186).

Background and proposal will be provided in the following contribution:

<URL>/brown 3dj 03 2503

C/ 186 SC 186.2.1 P566 L9 # 160 Broadcom

Opsasnick, Eugene

Comment Type T Comment Status D

erse RS FEC function names

In Figure 186-3, the two upper parts of the transmit flow and receive flow both have a dashed box labeled "Inverse RS FEC.". However, each of these alone as currently grouped is really an RS-FEC Decoder and RS-FEC Encoder. Together they make up what could be called an "Inverse RS FEC"

#### SuggestedRemedy

Change the current two dashed line boxes for the two Inverse FEC blocks and enclose both the transmit and receive portions together in a single dashed box called "Inverse RS-FEC".

## Proposed Response

Response Status W

#### PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Modify figures 186-2 and 186-3 to replace the transmit direction "Inverse RS FEC" with "Inverse RS FEC Tx", and the receive direction "Inverse RS FEC" with "Inverse RS FEC Rx" Modify headings of 186.2.3.1 and 186.2.4.9 accordingly, as well as related text. Implement with editorial license

C/ 169 SC 169.2.10 P179 L42 # 161

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

"and to coordinate transition to DATA mode" is missing a "the".

### SuggestedRemedy

Change:

"and to coordinate transition to DATA mode"

"and to coordinate the transition to DATA mode"

#### Proposed Response

Response Status W

#### PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Similar text occurs in several other clauses.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license in 169.2.10 and other locations where similar text is used.

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Cl 170 SC 170.1 P190 L34 # [162 ]
Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type E Comment Status D

(bucket)

The two lists of features for 800GMII and 1.6TMII in lines 34-46 are so similar, they should be combined into a single list. This would match what is written in the based spec in 117.1 for 200GMII/400GMII.

## SuggestedRemedy

## Change:

"The 800GMII has the following characteristics:

- It supports a speed of 800 Gb/s.
- Data and delimiters are synchronous to a clock reference.
- It provides independent 64-bit wide transmit and receive data paths.
- It supports full duplex operation only.

The 1.6TMII has the following characteristics:

- It supports a speed of 1.6 Tb/s.
- Data and delimiters are synchronous to a clock reference.
- It provides independent 64-bit wide transmit and receive data paths.
- It supports full duplex operation only."

to:

The 800GMII/1.6TMII have the following characteristics:

- The 800GMII supports a speed of 800 Gb/s.
- The 1.6TMII supports a speed of 1.6 Tb/s.
- Data and delimiters are synchronous to a clock reference.
- They provide independent 64-bit wide transmit and receive data paths.
- They support full duplex operation only.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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 # 163

 Opsasnick, Eugene
 Broadcom

 Comment Type
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 Comment Status
 D
 (bucket)

It is strange that the same line "In addition to the primitives noted above, an associated clock is transferred from input to output along with

the IS\_UNITDATA primitives in the transmit and receive direction." is repeated at the end of both subclause 176.2 and 176.3.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Both of these lines can probably be omitted since the same information is given at the end of the intro section 176.1.4.

Alternatively, it would make sense to modify each of these lines to be more specific to the generation of the interface signals at PMA service interface (176.2) and the service interface below the PMA. For example,

change the last sentense of 176.2 to be:

"In addition to the primitives noted above, an associated clock is transferred from input to output along with

the IS UNITDATA primitives in the receive direction."

And change the last sentence of 176.3 to be:

"In addition to the primitives noted above, an associated clock is transferred from input to output along with

the IS UNITDATA primitives in the transmit direction."

#### Proposed Response

Response Status W

#### PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The sentence at the end of 176.1.4 states the following:

"The PMA transmit clock is passed from the interface above the PMA to the interface below in the transmit direction, and the PMA receive clock is passed from the interface below the PMA to the interface above in the receive direction."

As the comment notes, this captures the same information that is in the last lines of 176.2 and 176.3. Additionally, the lines in 176.2 and 176.3 are redundant with each other.

Delete the last sentence in 176.2 and in 176.3.

Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket)

Cross-rreference to 176.4.3.4.1 should be 176.4.2.4.1.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Fix the cross reference and make it active.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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C/ 176 SC 176.4.2.4 P 285 L 43 # 165 Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Cross-rreference to 176.4.3.4.2 should be 176.4.2.4.2.

Comment Status D

SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type T

Fix the cross reference and make it active.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 176 # 166 SC 176.4.3.2 P 292 L14

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket)

The symbol demultiplexing function must achieve symbol lock on all input PMALs.

SuggestedRemedy

Change this sentence:

"The symbol demultiplexing function locates the correct symbol demultiplex boundary and achieves symbol

lock on a given input lane."

"The symbol demultiplexing function locates the correct symbol demultiplex boundary and achieves symbol

lock on each input PMAL."

Also on line 15, may want to change "After all input lanes" to be "After all input PMALs". And on line 40 of the same page, maybe change "input, lane" to "PMAL" since most of the text is now using PMAL.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

C/ 176 SC 176.4.4.2.1 P 295

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# 167

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket)

The index variable "n" is used in the definition of several dumux variables. It does correspond to how "n" is is used in Figure 172-3, and the generic usage for "m:n PMA" as well as "n:m PMA" However I would still be usful to define "n" at the introduction to the demux variables in a simlar way that "x" is defined in 176.4.4.2.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a sentence at line 39 or page 295 something like: "The index variable n represents the number of PMAL input lanes."

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

C/ 176 SC 176.4.4.3 P 297 L9 # 168 Broadcom

Opsasnick, Eugene

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

Fix singlular tense verb to plural for the subject containing two named variables in this sentence.

SuggestedRemedy

Change:

"When all locked demux and the pcs lanes identified demux variable is true, then..."

"When the all locked demux and pcs lanes identified demux variables are both true,

then "

with editorial license.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 176 SC 176.7.4 P303 L54 # 169

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D PRBS requirements

The PRBS32 and PRBS32Q test pattern generators and checkers are now required in 176.7.4.1 and 176.7.4.2, but the introduction paragraph still says they are all optional.

SuggestedRemedy

Change this text:

"the PMA may optionally generate and detect test patterns."

to:

"the PMA shall generate and detect test patterns."

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review and CRG discussion of the following contribution.

<URL>/dudek\_3dj\_01\_2503

Resolve using the response to comment #123.

Cl 176 SC 176.4.1 P283 L12 # 170

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D

PRBS requirements

The PRBS32 and PRBS32Q test pattern generators and checkers are now required in 176.7.4.1 and 176.7.4.2. The figure footnote (a) which indicate the test pattern generator and checker are optional should be removed at lines 12 and 31 of Figure 176-2 on page 283. as well as Figure 176-12 on page 300, and Figure 176-13 on page 302.

SuggestedRemedy

Update figures 176-2, 176-12, and 176-13 to remove the "optional" footnote fro mteh test pattern generator and test pattern checker. Also update any text that still referes to the test pattern generators and checkers as optional.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review and CRG discussion of the following contribution.

<URL>/dudek 3di 01 2503

Resolve using the response to comment #123.

Cl 176 SC 176.11

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# 171

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D

PRBS requirements

Variable PRBS31Q\_pattern\_enable is defined, but an enable variable for PRBS31 seems to be missing.

SuggestedRemedy

Add variable PRBS31\_pattern\_enable to table 176-8. PRBS31 ability variables should also be added to table 176-9.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending CRG review of the following related contribution:

<URL>/dudek 3dj 01 2503.

C/ 177 SC 177.4.1

P316

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# 172

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D

(bucket)

177.4.1 text refers to the figure 177-3 as an illustration and has a short introduction for the the first few blocks in theis figure but does not say anthing abou the "Symbol multiplexing" sub-bock.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a short description of the Symbol multiplexing block at the end of the last paragraph in 177.4.1. Something ilke: "After deskew, the PCS lanes are recombined by the symbol multiplexing function.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 174 SC 174.5 P245 L12 # 173

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D Skew value

Table 174-5 should have a max skew of 25ns listed for SP2. (This is required as a reference from 177.4.1.2.)

SuggestedRemedy

Add Maximum skew values for SP2 in table 174-5.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

SP2 and SP5 are only applicable if there is a physically instantiated interface at the PMD service interface. There are no physically instantiated PMD service interfaces defined for 1.6TBASE-R PHYs at this time, nor any other PHYs defined in the 802.3dj project.

Therefore, the values for SP2 and SP5 should not be added to Table 174-5.

The reference from 177.4.1.2 is addressed by comment #77.

CI 177 SC 177.4.1.4 P317 L53 # 174

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D

(bucket)

This NOTE is kind of true but not real reason the function is not required for 200G/400G -- the 800G and 1.6T PMAs above the Inner FEC also output lanes with 4-way interleaving. The real reason is that 200/400G PHYs do not require additional deskew between PCS lanes.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove this NOTE from 177.4.1.4 and add a NOTE to the end of 177.4.1.2 that mentions that dekew is not required for the 200/400GBASE-R PHYs because the SM-PMA above the Inner FEC already deskews the PCS lanes within PMA lane to a 4-codeword boundary.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

CI 178 SC 178.8 P347 L29 # 175

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket)

The PMD reset function subclause is missing from the 178.8 set of PMD funtions.

SuggestedRemedy

Subclause 178.8.10 "PMD reset function" should be added to describe the PMD reset functionality with same title and text as 179.8.10

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 184 SC 184.3 P519 L25 # 176

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

(bucket)

The CL 184 Inner FEC requires 32 PCS lanes (for 800GE) as input at the Inner FEC service interface. Therefore the client sublayer above this Inner FEC cannot be a PHY 800GXS whose lower interface is an 800GMII.

Comment Status D

SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type T

Remove "PHY 800GXS" from this list of possible client sublayers. Also remove it from Figure 184-2 on page 518, line 3.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 187 SC 187.3 P617 L39 # 177

Opsasnick, Eugene Broadcom

Comment Type E Comment Status D

(bucket)

PHY 800GXS can be removed from the legend in Figure 187-2 since that sublayer is not present in the diagram.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the PHY 800GXS definiton from the figure legend, DTE and XS can also be removed since they also are not present in the diagram.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

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C/ 178 SC 178.6 P344 L 53 # 178 Point2: Infinera Swenson, Norman Comment Type Ε Comment Status D (bucket) Fix typo SuggestedRemedy Change 1.6TGBASE to 1.6TBASE Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT. C/ 178A SC 178A.1.7 P758 L24 # 179

Swenson, Norman Point2: Infinera

Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket)

Formula for normalized frequency is wrong

SuggestedRemedy

Change \pi=f\_b/2 to \theta=2\pi f/f\_b

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change "is normalized frequency in the range [-pi, pi) where pi = fb/2" to "is normalized frequency 2\*pi\*f/fb with range [-pi, pi)" with editorial license.

Note that the two definitions are functionally equivalent but this change is expected to more clearly show the relationship between normalized and absolute frequency.

C/ 176D SC 176D.7.2 P730 L51 # 180

Swenson, Norman Point2: Infinera

Comment Type E Comment Status D

"The parameters in Table 176D-7" is ambiguous, because the table includes host and module parameters.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "The parameters in Table 176D-7" to "The host parameters in Table 176D-7"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

It is assumed that the comment refers to the third paragraph of 176D.7.2 (which points to Table 176D-6, rather than Table 176D-7).

Change "The parameters in Table 176D-6" to "The host parameters in Table 176D-6".

CI 176D SC 176D.7.2 P731 L18 # 181

Swenson, Norman Point2; Infinera

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

The terminology in the table should align with the terminology in 178A for clarity. Per 178A.1.4, the blocks comprising the Tx and Rx S-parameter model are: Device termination, Device Package and Partial host channel (optional).

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Device model" to "Device termination model for Host and Module"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In Table 176D-6, Change "Device model" to "Device termination model". Implement similarly in Table 178-12. Table 179-16. and Table 176C-7.

Apply the corresponding changes in all references to these tables, with editorial license. [CC 178, 179, 176C, 176D]

C/ 176D SC 176D.7.2 P731 L25 # 182

Swenson, Norman Point2; Infinera

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

The terminology in the table should align with the terminology in 178A for clarity.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Host package model" to "Device package model for Host"

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment identifies an inconsistency that should be addressed.

Change all instances of "package" referring to the device package model in 178A.1.4,

where necessary, to "device package".

Implement throughout the draft with editorial license.

[CC 178, 179, 176C, 176D, 178A, 179A]

Cl 176D SC 176D.7.2 P731 L37 # 183

Swenson, Norman Point2; Infinera

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

The terminology in the table should align with the terminology in 178A for clarity.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Module package model" to "Device package model for Module"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolve using the response to comment #182.

C/ 176D SC 176D.7.2 P731 L 46 C/ 178 SC 178.8.2 P346 L 44 # 184 # 187 Point2: Infinera Point2: Infinera Swenson, Norman Swenson, Norman Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) The terminology in the table should align with the terminology in 178A for clarity. Per With the comma after MDI, this sentence reads like the electrical signals from the PMD subclause 178A.1.4 and 178A1.4.2. C p is part of the Device package. transmit function of 179.8.2 are not delivered to the MDI. I believe the exception is that here they are delivered to the MDI according to the 178.9.2.7. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy There should be two lines for C p, one under Device package model for Host, and one under Device package model for Module Remove the comma after MDI. Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED REJECT. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Table 176D-6 has parameter for both host and module models. C\_p is the same for both. Resolve using the response to comment #255. C/ 176D SC 176D.8.12.2 P741 L18 # 185 C/ 179A SC 179A.2 P801 L 23 # 188 Swenson, Norman Point2: Infinera Swenson, Norman Point2: Infinera Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) "approximated solution" is awkward or typo. 178.8.2 is, I believe, a typo. It should be 178.9.2. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change to "approximate solution" Change 178.8.2 to 178.9.2 Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED REJECT. "approximated solution" appears 3 times in the draft, and is consistent with similar PROPOSED ACCEPT. instances in existing 802.3 text, in 136.9.4.2.3, 162.9.5.3.3, and 163.9.3.5. The current text is not incorrect. Cl 177 SC 177.4.1 P316 / 30 # 189 Slavick, Jeff Broadcom C/ 176D SC 176D.8.12.2 P**741** L19 # 186 Comment Type T Comment Status D Skew (bucket) Swenson, Norman Point2: Infinera Why do we call out that 200/400G don't alter the data stream? That is also possible for Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket) 800G/1.6T if no deskew of the data is needed. "pose a negative discriminant" is obscure. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change ", the data stream is not altered" to "only the identification of the RS-symbol Change to "lead to a negative argument of the square root function" boundary is necessary. Proposed Response Response Status W Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED REJECT. PROPOSED REJECT.

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"pose a negative discriminant" appears 2 times in the draft, and is consistent with similar

instances in existing 802.3 text, in 162.9.5.3.3 and 163.9.3.5. The current text It is not

incorrect.

For 200G/400G, the data stream is not altered under any circumstances.

Cl 177 SC 177.6.2 C/ 176 L 24 P327 L34 # 190 SC 176.4.3.2.1 P 292 Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Comment Type TR Comment Status R (withdrawn) Comment Type ER Comment Status D Missing that ++ means increment by 1 and comprises of seems wrong. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Add the following the sentence to first paragraph "The notation ++ after a counter or integer Change "and comprises of" to "it is comprised of" variable indicates that its value is to be incremented by 1." Proposed Response Response Status W Response Response Status Z PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. REJECT. The convention in 802.3 is to use "is composed of" rather than "comprises". Also, the block diagram is not "composed of" anything, rather the "20-bit demultiplexing function" is. This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter. Fix use of "comprise" and "comprises" here and elsewhere in the draft. on page 292 line 24 change to "A functional block diagram of a 1:8 symbol-pair C/ 177 SC 177.4.2 P318 **L9** # 191 demultiplexer, which is composed of a 20-bit demultiplexing function and an alignment marker lock function (see 176.4.3.2.3), is shown in Figure 176-9." Slavick, Jeff Broadcom on page 379 line 29 change "comprises" to "is composed of" Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket) on page 433 line 34, page 457 line 3, page 483 line 34, page 508 line 1 change "comprised of" to "composed of" The position of Q in the equation runs in to the RS-FEC symbols so it seems like we're on page 579 line 48, change "comprise" to "are composed of" talking about a Q RS-FEC potentially. Plus then it's the length "4 \* Q" of the line times 2 on page 773 line 44 (twice), change "is comprised of" to "is composed of" or 1 or 0 SuggestedRemedy Implement with editorial license. Make Q the second operand in the equations so it's 4 x Q x 2 and 4 x Q x 1 RS-FEC symbols [Editor's note: CC 179 180 181 182 183 186 178B] Proposed Response Response Status W C/ 1 SC 1.4 P53 L8 PROPOSED ACCEPT. Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Comment Status R C/ 176 SC 176.1.5 P 278 L 25 # 192 Comment Type TR We're heavily using round-robin but have no definition for it Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Comment Status D Comment Type (bucket) SuggestedRemedy Are these foonotes really necessary? The only one that seems needed is footnote d. Add a definition of round-robin "A process that iterates through each possible source/destination once and then continuously repeats the iteration using the same order SuggestedRemedy each time." Response

Remove all footnotes from Table 176-1 and 176-2 except footnote d and remove the m:k and k:m before the BM-PMA. Remove all footnotes from Tables 176-3 and 176-4.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The table footnotes clarify which PCS/FEC/PMD can be layered with each type of PMA since the PMAs are listed with generic parameters (m, n, k). Removing the footnotes would remove essential information.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

REJECT.

Response Status Z

# 193

# 194

(withdrawn)

(bucket)

Is it "A" PMA or "The PMA". I think it should be the latter.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "A PMA" to "The PMA" in 176.4.1 through 176.4.6

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.213n P107 L25 # 196

Slavick, Jeff Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket)

We want to avoid referencing clauses from Clause 45 just basic overview of the register but have a one way reference from those using the register storage location.

Also all the registers for a given lane should latch when bin 0 bits 15:0 are read.

SuggestedRemedy

Have the clause read as follows:

The PMA test block error bin counter registers provide emulation of FEC error statistics from a PRBS data stream. These registers are reset to all zeros when the register is read by the management function or upon reset, and held at all ones in the case of overflow. Three registers are used to read the value of each 48-bit counter, the values of all registers for a given PMAL are latched when the first register of bin 0 is read.

There are 17 bin counter registers for eight PMALs. The bin 1 register keeps a count of test blocks with 1 test symbol error, the bin 2 register keeps a count of test blocks with 2 test symbol errors, and so on up to 15 test symbol errors. The bin 16p register counts test blocks with 16 or more test symbol errors.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

CI 176 SC 176.7.4.7 P304 L31 # 197

Slavick, Jeff Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket)

The 1.6TBASE-16 PMA does not require these registers as they're only associated with 200Gbps interfaces per 174A.7

SuggestedRemedy

Add "(except in a 1.6TBASE-16 PMA)" after "pattern checker".

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The block error counters are defined only for PMALs.

PMAL is defined in 176.1.3 as "PMAL | This term refers to a PMA lane operating at 212.5 Gb/s."

1.6TBASE-R 16:16 PMA is already excluded.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.213n P107 L34 # 198

Slavick, Jeff Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket)

Add Tables to show lane 0 bin 0 registers.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a Table that defines the 3 registers a given "Bin" counter is composed of.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 176 SC 176.11 *L*9 C/ 186 SC 186.2.1 P567 L18 P308 # 199 # 201 Slavick, Jeff Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Broadcom Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket) To make the Clause 45 register expandable. Change the ordering of the register Extra sentence that is not needed as the previous sentence already states this. assignments to be bin then lane rather than lane then bin. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Remove the "The two flows are then merged to form a single stream of 257b blocks." Change Table 176-9 to be: Proposed Response Response Status W test block error bin <0:7> 0 for 1.2600 to 12623 test block error bin <0:7> 1 for 1.2624 to 12647 PROPOSED ACCEPT. test block error bin <0:7> 3 for 1,2648 to 12671 test block error bin <0:7> 3 for 1.2672 to 12695 C/ 177 SC 177.5.2 P324 L49 # 202 test\_block\_error\_bin\_<0:7>\_4 for 1.2696 to 12719 Slavick, Jeff Broadcom test block error bin <0:7> 5 for 1.2720 to 12743 test block error bin <0:7> 6 for 1.2744 to 12767 Comment Type Т Comment Status D L 177 structure - test patterns test block error bin <0:7> 7 for 1.2768 to 12791 Test pattern functions are traditionally placed at the end of the process after all the mission test\_block\_error\_bin\_<0:7>\_8 for 1.2792 to 12815 mode operations. test block error bin <0:7> 9 for 1.2816 to 12839 test block error bin <0:7> 10 for 1.2840 to 12863 SugaestedRemedy test block error bin <0:7> 11 for 1.2864 to 12887 Move Test pattern checker setion to last sub-clause of receive path. test block error bin <0:7> 12 for 1.2888 to 12911 Proposed Response Response Status W test block error bin <0:7> 13 for 1.2912 to 12935 test\_block\_error\_bin\_<0:7>\_14 for 1.2936 to 12959 PROPOSED REJECT. test block error bin <0:7> 15 for 1.2960 to 12983 In CL 176, the test pattern generator/checker descriptions are located at the end of the test block error bin <0:7> 16p for 1.2984 to 12307 clause because they are used in both the RX and TX paths, so the descriptions are not within either the TX or RX dataflow subclauses, but in a separate "common functions" Proposed Response Response Status W subclause. But in CL 177, the test pattern checkers are only located with the RX PAM4 PROPOSED REJECT. decoder and thus from a flow perspective it is good as written. The current allocation nicely groups sets of registers by lane. The changes proposed would mean that registers for a single lane would not be adiacent. C/ 177 SC 177.4.2 L7 # 203 P318 Slavick, Jeff Broadcom C/ 186 SC 186.2.1 P567 L15 # 200 Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Add note that when PRBS31 payload mode is enabled the data boundary fed into the Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket) covolutioner interleaver is chosen by implementation early. In the first sentence SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy

At the end of the first paragraph add "When using PRBS31 encoded by the Inner FEC test mode (see 177.4.9.1), the selection of the RS-FEC symbol-quartet boundary position is unspecified."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

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Remove the . After flows

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Cl 177 SC 177.3 P315 L43 # 204 C/ 186 P568 L16 SC 186.2.3.1.1 # 207 Slavick, Jeff Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Broadcom Comment Type TR Comment Status R (withdrawn) Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) The behavior of the tx\_symbol and rx\_symbol is specified in 182.3 but the behavior of We've been using "identical to that specified" instead of "shall be as specified". SIGNAL OK is defined 177.3. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specifid" In 182.3 make the 3rd paragraph a sub-section titled "PMD service interface UNITDATA" Proposed Response Response Status W and the last two paragraphs a sub-section "PMD service interface SIGNAL OK". In 177.3 add the following to the end of the first sentence "with the exception that the SIGNAL OK PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. behavior is defined in 177.3.1. Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specified". Make a new sub-heading named PMD service interface SIGNAL\_OK that contains the C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.1.2 P568 L 20 # 208 everything in 177.3 but the first paragraph. Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Response Response Status Z Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) REJECT. We've been using "identical to that specified" instead of "shall be as specified". This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter. SuggestedRemedy Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specifid" C/ 186 SC 186.2.1 P567 L34 # 205 Proposed Response Response Status W Slavick, Jeff Broadcom PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket) Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specified". extranious. C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.1.3 P568 L 24 # 209 SuggestedRemedy Slavick, Jeff **Broadcom** Remove the . After "performed." Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Proposed Response Response Status W We've been using "identical to that specified" instead of "shall be as specified". PROPOSED ACCEPT. SugaestedRemedy C/ 186 SC 186.2.1 P**567** L36 # 206 Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specifid" Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Proposed Response Response Status W

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PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specified".

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SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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The, is really more than a comma

Comment Status D

Response Status W

Change the "blocks, distributed" to "blocks and then distributed"

Comment ID 209

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C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.1.4 P568 L 28 # 210 C/ 186 P575 L 47 SC 186.2.3.5.10 # 213 Slavick, Jeff Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Broadcom Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) We've been using "identical to that specified" instead of "shall be as specified". When the feature is not supported or disabled the AML is 0. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specifid" Add "or not supported" after disabled. Proposed Response Proposed Response Response Status W Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specified". Change: "If the alignment marker location feature is disabled." To: "If the alignment marker location feature is not supported or not enabled," Update wording to say some patterns are required and some are optional. SC 186.2.3.5.10 C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.1.5 P 568 L32 # 211 C/ 186 P574 L18 # 214 Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Comment Status D Comment Type ER Comment Status D Comment Type TR (bucket) (bucket) We've been using "identical to that specified" instead of "shall be as specified". The value corresponds to the block. SuggestedRemedy SuggestedRemedy Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specifid" Change "The value of this counter corresponding to the first non-stuff 257-bit block that is mapped Proposed Response Response Status W into the payload area of the 800GBASE-ER1 tributary multi-frame is encoded into the AML PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. field." Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specified". To: SC 186.2.3.1.6 C/ 186 P 568 L43 # 212 "The AML field is encoded with the value of the counter for the first non-stuff 257-bit block that is mapped into the payload area of the 800GBASE-ER1 tributary multi-frame." Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Proposed Response Response Status W Comment Status D Comment Type TR (bucket) PROPOSED ACCEPT. We've been using "identical to that specified" instead of "shall be as specified". SuggestedRemedy C/ 186 SC 186.2.4.6.5 P581 L26 # 215 Change "shall be as specified" to "is identical to that specifid" Slavick, Jeff Broadcom Proposed Response Response Status W Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket) PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. When the feature is not supported or disabled the AML is ignored. Implement suggested remedy with editorial license. SuggestedRemedy Update wording to say some patterns are required and some are optional. Add "or not supported" after disabled. Proposed Response Response Status W PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Change: "When the alignment marker location feature is disabled,"

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To: "When the alignment marker location feature is not supported or not enabled,"

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C/ 186 SC 186.4.1 P594 # 216 L30

Slavick, Jeff Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status R (withdrawn)

Missing that ++ means increment by 1

SuggestedRemedy

Add the following the sentence to first paragraph "The notation ++ after a counter or integer variable indicates that its value is to be incremented by 1."

Response Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

C/ 186 SC 186.4.3 P605 L3 # 217

Slavick, Jeff Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

AM location

What is block rx? Not in variable list for SMs

SuggestedRemedy

Create a definition of block rx

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

block rx is intended to indicate a 257b block was received (the top part of figure 186-20 is counting 257b blocks between what the rx thinks is the location to insert AMs; the bottom part of the figure processes the AML overhead and determines if the AM location needs to be modified).

Add a definition in 186.4.2.1:

block rx Boolean variable that is set to true when the next non-stuff 257b block is demapped by the GMP demapper function.

Implement with editorial license.

C/ 179 SC 179.9.4.1.3 L31 P383 # 218

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D Max swing & initial ILT setting

Transmitters are supposed to start Training at medium amplitude (preset 6) now, not the loudest, to avoid possible crosstalk and linearity issues. A receiver that prefers a louder signal on a particular channel can ask for it.

SuggestedRemedy

In Table 179-8, for "initialize", change 1 to 0.75, add the tolerances, and delete "and initialize" in the table footnotes. As in Table 176D-9 (which applies to 176C).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For CRG discussion, along with comment #263.

CI 73 SC 73.5.1 P122 L38 # 219

Dawe. Piers Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D AN differential swing

The ancient "DME electrical characteristics" table needs updating. Compare the default preset to start training: 800 to 1000 mV (but see another comment) for CR and KR, 800 to 1000 \*0.75 +/-0.025 which is 580 to 775 mV for C2C and C2M, 900 mV for the traditional C2M max, and 850 mV XLPPI max. Traditional C2M and XLPPI can't defend themselves because they don't do AN.

Just as for the transition to 50 ppm, we should move carefully towards where we should be, while paying attention to backward compatibility.

SuggestedRemedy

Bring Table 73-1, DME electrical characteristics, into the draft. It contains:

Transmit differential peak-to-peak output voltage 600 to 1200 mV

Receive differential peak-to-peak input voltage 200 to 1200 mV.

Implement at least slide 7 of simms\_3dj\_adhoc\_01\_250220.pdf:

Parameter Min Max 0 Max 1 Units

Transmit differential peak-to-peak output voltage 600 1200 1000 mV

Receive differential peak-to-peak input voltage 200 1200 1200 mV

0 When not indicating a technology in the Extended Technology Ability Field (i.e. no 200G/lane)

1 When indicating one or more technologies in the Extended Technology Ability Field (i.e. some 200G/lane)

This is only a long overdue first step. Consider making more progress by implementing slide 10 or 11.

See another comment with a proposal to report "too loud" with the RF bit.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolve using the response to comment #261.

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Cl 73 SC 73.6.2.7 P127 L31 # 220

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

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There is a "Remote Fault bit" with no clear indication of what it is for. It's not the real Remote Fault, because the MACs are not yet connected during AN. But it could be useful. It could be used by a transmitter whose receiver is not receiving anything (Vpkpk < 200 mV), or is receiving something that's not AN (such as a regular scrambled RF Ethernet signal, or a Fibre Channel signal), or a signal that's too loud to be understood adequately.

### SuggestedRemedy

Add text detailing the use(s) of this bit.

Proposed Response Status W

### PROPOSED REJECT.

Implementing the propose changes would be out of scope for the 802.3dj project since it would affect all PHYs that utilize auto-negoiation.

C/ 180 SC 180.5.1 P421 L24 # 221

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

signal detect

180.5.4-5, like all IMDD clauses, says "180.5.4 PMD global signal detect function The variable Global\_PMD\_signal\_detect is a global indicator of the presence of optical signals on all n lanes." and "The PMD lane-by-lane signal detect function is used by the PMD to indicate sufficient optical power is detected at the receiver input on each lane." See Figure 44A-7, Signal Detect handling across sublayers. It allows a receiver to sleep in very low power until there is an optical signal. There is no AN with "the additional objective of supporting a digital signal detect to ensure that the device is attached to a link partner rather than detecting signal due to crosstalk" (from 73.1) which is a traditional objective of signal detect too. Yet it seems that signal detect has been broken in this draft. It appears to go nowhere but management, when it should feed into ILT.

### SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type TR

In the block diagram, show that global PMD signal detect feeds into ILT.

Comment Status D

In 178B (ILT), show global\_PMD\_signal\_detect as an input, so that ILT doesn't waste power and cause confusion trying to lock onto a grossly invalid "signal" (far too weak, or crosstalk).

However, once the link is up and running, there is less reason to bring it down if SD says the signal is bad but the PCS does go out of AM lock - but maybe no change to 178B is needed for this point.

In 180.5.5, give a recommendation that SD should be 1 (good) when the signal is above this receiver's sensitivity for typical signals (considering penalties) so that a usable signal is declared as too weak, but a weak signal (still enough to override crosstalk) might be declared as a candidate for ILT to try.

Apply to other optical clauses.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In 180.5.4, 181.x.x, 182.x.x, and 183.x.x, add note "The Global\_PMD\_signal\_detect may be used to defer receiver adaptation."

For CRG discussion.

CI 178B SC 178B.14.2.1 P783 L8 # 222

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

AN/LT timers

This says "There is no specified time limit for the ILT protocol", which is misleading because it seems the Clause 73 link fail inhibit timer will override it.

### SuggestedRemedy

Correct the misinformation.

Also in 178B.5.1.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolve using the response to comment #282.

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CI 178B SC 178B P769 L18 # 223

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

This annex does not mention Auto-Negotiation at all!

SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type

Explain the interaction between this annex and Clause 73 AN

Comment Status D

Proposed Response Status W

TR

PROPOSED REJECT.

There is no direct interaction between AN and ILT. AN determines which HCD PHY type to use then management configures the HCD PHY. If the PHY fails to achieve PCS\_status = OK before the link\_fail\_inhibit\_timer expires then then AN restarts the whole process. This is all captured in the AN arbitration state diagram Figure 73-11.

Cl 73 SC 73.10.2 P134 L15 # 224

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D AN/LT timers

If ILT works as planned, this timer should be invoked very rarely: the link should come up before it expires unless there is e.g. a bad cable.

SuggestedRemedy

Increase the lime limit. Add a counter to flag when AN has tried say 10 times (possibly with different candidate abilities). Maybe at that point it should report to management and shut down the non-functioning link.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The suggested remedy does not provide sufficient detail to implement. Also, the proposed changes would change behaviour for PHYs already in the base standard.

Cl 178 SC 178.9.2 P348 L9 # 225

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket)
Inconsistency

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Differential pk-pk voltage" to "Differential peak-to-peak voltage"

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

There are 3 instances of "pk-pk" in the draft, but for clarity, it is preferable to use "peak-to-peak" consistently.

Change "pk-pk" to "peak-to-peak" in Table 178–6, Table 179–12, and Table 176D-11. [CC 178, 179, 176D]

CI 179 SC 179.11.2 P398 L52 # 226

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket)

If IIdd > limit is unacceptable at 53.125 GHz it's even more unacceptable at 53 GHz. Usually we measure at 10 MHz steps; don't want to do another measurement just for this.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "at 53.125 GHz" to "from 50 GHz to 53.13 GHz". Make similar changes in other clauses.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The specification is consistent with several existing cable assembly and other IL specifications that are defined at the (possibly not fully accurate) Nyquist frequency. As examples, the cable assembly ILdd is specified at 25.65 GHz in Table 162–18, at 1.5625 GHz in Table 54–6, at 12.8906 GHz in Table 92–10, and at 5.15625 GHz (5-digit decimal part) in Table 85–9.

The specified frequency was never an issue. Compliance testing may be performed in different ways, e.g., measurements at a 10 MHz frequency grid that includes the desired frequency.

The suggested change would not improve the quality of the draft.

[Editor's note: Changed page from 399 to 398]

Cl 186 SC 186.2.1 P567 L8 # 227

de Koos, Andras Microchip Technology

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

Very minor! The rate of each PCS lane should be 26.5625 Gb/s, not 26.5624 Gb/s 25Gb/s (257/256)(544/514) = 26.5625 Gb/s

This seems to be a typo, since the correct value is used later on the same page in section 186.2.2

SuggestedRemedy

replace "26.5624 Gb/s" with "26.5625 Gb/s"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 186 SC 186.2.1 P567 L34 # 228

de Koos, Andras Microchip Technology

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

misplaced period in "The pad bits are removed and the CRC checking is performed. before the 257-bit blocks are distributed to eight lanes."

SuggestedRemedy

remove the period, or replace with a comma.

Proposed Response Response Status W
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete the period

C/ 186 SC 186.2.3.5.11 P576 L1 # 229

de Koos, Andras Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Is there a reason why the order of the am\_sf<2:0> bits are not preserved into CSTAT<8:6>? Looks strange. Is the order intentional or is it an oversight? Same comment for the receive direction in section 186.2.4.6.6

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The order is intentional, to align with the specifications in ITU-T G.709.1 and OIF 800ZR.

 CI 186
 SC 186.2.4.9.3
 P 582
 L 32
 # 230

 de Koos, Andras
 Microchip Technology

 Comment Type
 E
 Comment Status
 D
 AM location

The explanation of the state machine in Figure 186-20 is very light. Most state machines have a written synopsis of their function.

SuggestedRemedy

It might be helpful to add in 186.2.4.9.3 that:

The AMs are inserted at their original position (matching the position from before AMs were removed by far-end transmit function) as indicated by the RAML value. When an unexpected RAML value arrives, the previous position of the AM is maintained (flywheel) until 8 consecutive unexpected RAML values are received, after which the AM position is updated to the new position indicated by the RAML.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy In addition, add similar text to 186.4.3 where the other state machines are introduced.

Implement with editorial license.

 CI 73
 SC 73.4
 P121
 L19
 # 231

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status D
 (bucket)

The term "link codeword" appears many times in the updated Clause 73 as an initial part of expressions like "link codeword Base page" here, and similar expressions "link codeword Message code" and "link codeword Unformatted".

The usual English word order suggests that "link codeword" is a compound adjective, making it a specific type of "Base page", specific type of "Message code", or specific type of "Unformatted"...

I think it is quite different: "Base Page" is one thing, "Next Page" is another thing; "Message code" is one kind of Next Page, and "Unformatted" is another kind of Next Page. These three can be referred to together as "link codeword".

The terminology in D1.4 makes the text difficult to follow, worse than what it was in the original Clause 73 (despite the good intent to clean it), and would make readers familiar with Clause 73 confused. It is especially difficult in constructs like "link codeword Message code Next Page" (which is a link codeword of type Next page of subtype message code).

### SuggestedRemedy

Use the following terms:

"Base page link codeword" (one type of link codeword)

"Next page link codeword" (another type of link codeword; with two subtypes, Message code or Unformatted)

"Message code Next page link codeword" (a subtype of Next page link codeword)

"Unformatted Next Page link codeword" (a subtype of Next page link codeword)

In most cases, the terms "Base Page", "Next Page", "Message code Next page" and "Unformatted Next page" can be used without adding "link codeword".

Change across clause 73 and Annex 73A with editorial license.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

C/ 73 SC 73.5.1

P**122** 

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# 232

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Comment Type ER

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73.5 has been amended by 802.3ck. The editorial instruction should include this note. Also applies to 73.6, 73.7, 73.8 which were amended by 802.3ck and/or 802.3df. (Also 73.10, but it already includes the required note)

### SuggestedRemedy

Insert "(as modified by IEEE Std 802.3ck-2022)" or "(as modified by IEEE Std 802.3ck-2022 and IEEE Std 802.3df-2024)" into the editorial instructions, as appropriate.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 73 SC 73.5.1

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# 233

Ran. Adee

Comment Type ER

Comment Status D

(bucket)

Editorial instructions should be within the subclause they address.

This applies to 73.5.1 and 73.6.

SuggestedRemedy

Move the editorial instruction into the subclauses.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

(bucket)

Cl 73 SC 73.10.2 P134 L15 # 234 Ran, Adee Cisco Comment Type Т Comment Status D AN/LT timers A value of 60 seconds for link fail inhibit timer does not guarantee a reasonably short

time-to-link, and on the downside it creates an unacceptably long time to recover from a failed auto-negotiation attempt if at least one of the link partners adheres to it.

The current value was adopted in order to allow ILT in all ISLs to complete. This should be maintained, but the time to recovery from failure (or enable restart by management) should be shorter.

This can be enabled by adding a third possible value IN PROGRESS to pcs status. The rules for generating this value can be derived from existing PCS variables.

With this new value, the period for link fail inhibit timer can be reduced to 12 seconds (as in 802.3ck) or even lower.

### SuggestedRemedy

A detailed proposal will be submitted.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For task force review pending presentation

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L4 C/ 116 SC 116.3.2 P149 # 235

Ran. Adee Cisco

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

The editorial instruction says "Replace Figure 169-2 with the following figure:", which is

Figure 116-2.

Similarly in several subsequent instructions (which should be to insert Figure 116-2a, replace Figure 116-3, etc.).

### SuggestedRemedy

Change "169" to "116" in the all editorial instructions in clause 116.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

C/ 116 SC 116.3.2 P149 L13 # 236 Cisco Ran, Adee PCS SI below Comment Type Ε Comment Status D

The PMA service interface shown is missing an arrow for PMA:IS SIGNAL.request. This primitive is part of the inter-sublaver service interface (as defined in 116.3.3.4) and should be provided by all sublayers using it. It is indeed shown for all other sublayers, but not here.

Although there is no explicit instruction in the PCS sublayers on generation of this primitive, its definition in 116.3.3.4 should be sufficient.

Also in several other service interface diagrams and in some block diagrams, as listed in the suggested remedy.

### SuggestedRemedy

Add a downward arrow with label "PMA:IS SIGNAL.request" from the PCS to the PMA in each of the following figures:

Figure 116-2. Figure 116-2a. Figure 116-3. Figure 116-3a

Figure 169-2, Figure 169-2a, Figure 169-3 (twice)

Figure 174-2, Figure 174-3 (twice), Figure 174-4

Figure 185–3

Add a downward arrow with label "FEC:IS\_SIGNAL.request" into the Inner FEC sublayer in Figure 185-3.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Assuming the CRG is accepts comment #248, these figures should all add the "inst:PMA\_IS\_SIGNAL.request" signal to the service interface below the PCS (or DTE XS) in all of these figures.

Implement the suggested remedy. Also add the IS SIGNAL request signal out of the PCS sublayer in any additional figures that might be missing from this list.

Implement with with editorial license.

[Editor's note: CC 169 174 185 187]

The description of IS\_SIGNAL.REQUEST says:

"The IS\_SIGNAL.request primitive is generated by the transmit process to propagate the detection of severe error conditions (e.g., no valid signal being received by the sublayer) to the next lower sublayer <...>"

The parenthetic phrase is misleading; it is naturally interpreted as if there is no signal in the receive direction. Indeed, the semantics of the IS\_SIGNAL indication primitive in 116.3.3.3 uses the exact same phrase.

In fact the "request" primitive is all about the transmit direction; it is used to indicate that no valid signal is transmitted by the sublayer.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change to "(e.g., no valid signal is transmitted)".

Proposed Response Status W

### PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

It is ambiguous as to where the "received" is pointing to. The suggested remedy changes the context as the intent is to point out a valid signal is not being received from the sublayer above

Change "(e.g., no valid signal being received by the sublayer)"

To "(e.g., no valid signal being received by the sublayer on IS\_UNITDATA.request in the transmit direction)"

Make a similar change in 116.3.3.3.

C/ 116	SC 116.3.3.4.1	P154	L <b>5</b>	# 238
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In IS\_SIGNAL.request, the SIGNAL\_OK can take the value FAIL.

"A value of FAIL indicates the sublayer has not established communication with the next higher sublayer."

This value is also the appropriate value with the sublayer is not functional for some reason (e.g. it is reset). This is a possible situation even when IN\_PROGRESS and READY are supported.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change to "A value of FAIL indicates the sublayer is not functional or has not established communication with the next higher sublayer."

Proposed Response Status W

#### PROPOSED REJECT.

The proposed extra text, though not incorrect, is redundant, since if the sublayer is not functional, it clearly has not established communication with the next higher sublayer.

Cl 119 SC 119.2.5.8.2 P166 L15 # 239
Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type T Comment Status D PCS encode/decode

The stateless decoder assumes that the received data represent valid Ethernet data and

does not check it for valid frame structure, unlike the State-diagram decoder.

This should be emphasized for readers familiar with the original decoder defined in Clause

119 to prevent surprises. For example, validation suites may check the PCS with data that is not valid Ethernet and expect it to reject it.

The suggested remedy applies to this subclause (119.2.5.8.2) and to 175.2.5.9. It should also apply to 172.2.5.9.2, but it is currently not in the draft and may be out of scope.

### SuggestedRemedy

Add a NOTE at the end of 119.2.5.8.2:

NOTE--The stateless decoder relies on the Reed-Solomon decoder for error correction and marking, and unlike the state-diagram decoder, it does not check the validity of Ethernet frames.

Add a similar note at the end of 175.2.5.9.

Add a similar note at the end of 172.2.5.9.2 if it is considered in scope.

Proposed Response Response Status W

### PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The stateless PCS decoder is defined in CL 172 and there are references to it from CL 119 and CL 175. The best place for this note would be in CL 172 with the decoder definition itself, and then notes in 119 and 175 should not be necessary.

Add a note to 172.2.5.9 with editorial license something like:

"NOTE- The stateless decoder does not detect all packet framing errors that the statediagram decoder can detect. It relies on the RS FEC decoder for error correction and marking as well as the MAC ethernet frame FCS check for frame reliability."

Implement with editorial license.

[Editor's note: CC 172]

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C/ 119 SC 119.3.4a L33 # 240 P167 Cisco Ran, Adee Ran, Adee Comment Type TR Comment Status D FEC counters (bucket) "The following counter is optional if the PCS is used in any of the following PHY types..." What if it is used in other PHY types? is it not optional? or not allowed? Although it is a new counter it should be optional for all PHY types. A PCS that operates in e.g. 400GBASE-DR4 and includes this counter should not be considered non-compliant. Arguably, we could make it mandatory for the listed PHYs (it is mandatory in 175.2.5.3) and optional in all other cases. The suggested remedy does not take that path. C/ 171 Also applies to the counters in 119.3.4b. SuggestedRemedy Delete the words "if the PCS is used in any of the following PHY types" and the lists of PHY types". Implement in 119.3.4a and 119.3.4b with editorial license. Proposed Response Response Status W

C/ 119 SC 119.6 P168 L14 # 241

Ran. Adee Cisco

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Comment Status D Comment Type TR

Resolve using the response to comment #157.

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In the base standard, 119.6 lists the 200G/400G PMDs that need AN support from the PCS. The list should be expanded to include the new PMDs in this project.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Bring in subclause 119.6 (as modified by 802.3ck) and add 200GBASE-CR1, 200GBASE-KR1, 400GBASE-CR2, and 400GBASE-KR2, with editorial license.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

C/ 169 SC 169.3.2 P180

L 27

# 242

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Cisco

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

Figure 169-2 and Figure 169-3 exist in this amendment.

SuggestedRemedy

Make the cross-references active.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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SC 171.2 Ran. Adee

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

Figure 172-2 exists in this amendment.

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SuggestedRemedy

Make the cross-reference active.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 171 SC 171.8 P 209

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# 244

Ran. Adee Cisco

Comment Status D Comment Type Ε

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Table 171-3 title and column heading mentions Clause 172. Similarly Table 171-5a through 171-5c refer to Clause 175.

It is unclear why clause 171 should have tables of variables defined in other clauses. Assuming this is not an error, it should be clarified. The original text of 171.8 seemed to have some explanation, but the replacement text does not.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Add an explanation of the references to clauses 172 and 175, similar to what was included in the deleted text, with editorial license.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

"in subns" is not defined and is not helpful for the reader (what it means is anyone's guess). The register names in Clause 45 (added by 802.3cx) have "in sub-ns" instead, which is only slightly better.

Based on clause 30, these registers are in units of 2^-16 ns.

Multiple instances in the draft.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change all instances of "in subns" preferably to "in units of 2^-16 ns", or if not within scope, to "in sub-ns".

# Proposed Response Status W

#### PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

802.3cx-2023 uses the terms "sub-ns" as a quasi-unit of time and defines it in subclause 45.2.4.49 for use in the Table 45-314 register definitions as "units of 2^-16 ns", which these PHY XS register reference (registers 4.1809 to 4.1812). The TimeSync registers definitions in Table 171-3 of subclause 171.8 should be consistent with the register descriptions in Table 45-314 and use the "sub-ns" term as a unit of time.

In Table 171-3 on page 209, in the second column titled "PHY XS register name", change the units named "subns" to "sub-ns" in 4 places. Note "\_subns\_" is used in several variable names in the first and fourth columns of table 171-3 and should not be changed.

In addition, in 171.8, just prior to table 171-3 add the definition of "sub-ns" as taken from 45.2.4.29:

"The maximum and minimum PHY XS transmit and receive path data delay values in table 171-3 are provided in two components. The first component (registers 4.1801 and 4.1802, 4.1803 and 4.1804, 4.1805 and 4.1806, 4.1807 and 4.1808) provides the integer nanoseconds portion of the PHY XS path data delays, in units of nanoseconds. The second component (registers 4.1809, 4.1810, 4.1811, and 4.1812) provides the fractional nanoseconds portion of the PHY XS path data delays, in units of 2^(-16) ns."

In addition, fix the typo in Table 171-3 in the line for MDIO status register PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min, in the third column, from "4.1807, 4.1809" to "4.1807, 4.1808".

Implement the above changes with editorial license.

 CI 172
 SC 172.6
 P 230
 L 30
 # 246

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 Cisco

 Comment Type
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In the base standard, 172.6 lists the 800G PMDs that need AN support from the PCS. The list should be expanded to include the new PMDs in this project.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Bring in subclause 172.6 (added by 802.3df) and add 800GBASE-CR4 and 800GBASE-KR4, with editorial license.

Proposed Response Response Status W
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

174.3.3 says "The semantics of the inter-sublayer service interface primitives for the 800GBASE-R sublayers are described in 116.3.3.1 through 116.3.3.3".

This project adds 116.3.3.4 with the semantics of IS SIGNAL request.

The same sentence appears also in 169.3.3 (not currently included in the amendment) .

In both cases, the reference can be to the parent subclause which will cover everything.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change "in 116.3.3.1 through 116.3.3.3" to "in 116.3.3". Add 169.3.3 to the draft and apply the same change there.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement with editorial license.

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Cl 175 SC 175.1.4.2 P248 L53 # 248
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As stated in another comment, the last two rows of Table 176-6 (and the footnote they point to) are equivalent to an assumption that a PCS or DTE XS always generates IS\_SIGNAL.request with the value OK.

However, an implementation of a PCS or DTE XS can sometimes not generate a valid signal for the purpose of IS\_SIGNALrequest - for example, when it is reset or disabled. It should be allowed (if not required) to indicate such a state by a value FAIL for this primitive.

This behavior above is already included in the definition of IS\_SIGNAL.request in 116.3.3.4 (a PCS not generating a signal as specified falls under "severe error conditions"). If it is considered necessary, it can be included explicitly in the PCS clauses too.

The suggested remedy intends to make using the FAIL value required only for new implementations, to avoid adding new requirements to existing implementations.

### SuggestedRemedy

In the "Service interface below the PCS" subclause (175.1.4.2), add the following paragraph:

The PCS provides signal status information to the sublayer below it using the inst:IS\_SIGNAL.request primitive. The SIGNAL\_OK parameter of this primitive has the value OK when the PCS is functional. A value of FAIL indicates that the PCS is not functional. Generating this primitive with the value FAIL when the PCS is not functional is required when the sublayer below the PCS is an SM-PMA or Inner FEC, and is otherwise optional.

Implement the same change in 172.1.5.2.

Add 119.1.4.2 to the draft and implement the same change there.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

IS\_SIGNAL.request has already been added to the service interfaces of the PMA, FEC and PMD sublayers in all relavant 802.3dj clauses to support ILT.

Adding IS\_SIGNAL.request(SIGNAL\_OK) to all relatated PCSs, for 200G/400G/800G/1.6TE (Clauses 119, 172, and 175) will not chanage the funtional behavior of the PCS sublayer, but will create a cleaner service interface definition for ILT and possibly other features. In addition, the specifications for SIGNAL\_OK generation in the PMA and FEC sublayers becomes cleaner. The value of SIGNAL\_OK sent by the PCS is always OK when out of reset.

Implement the suggested remedy in 175.1.4.2, 172.1.5.2, and 119.1.4.2 with editorial license.

Also add the IS SIGNAL.request output to the service interface below the PCS in figures

119-2, 172-2, and 175-2.

Remove the last two rows and footnote (e) from Table 176-6 (which are there to account for an attached PCS not having the IS\_SIGNAL.request present) and remove footnote (f) from Figure 176-2.

[Editor's note: CC 119 172 176]

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"to form two 514 10-bit symbol FEC messages mA and mB from tx\_scrambled\_am\_f0 in flow 0 and mC and mD from tx\_scrambled\_am\_f1 in flow 1"

This is not quite clear...

"two 514 10-bit" has too many numbers in a row, and the initial "two" seems to refers to m\_A and m\_B - but then there are m\_C and m\_D, so should it be "four"?

### SuggestedRemedy

Change to "to form two FEC messages, mA and mB, from tx\_scrambled\_am\_f0, and two FEC messages, mC and mD, from tx\_scrambled\_am\_f1, where each FEC message contains 514 10-bit symbols".

Or reword in some other way (175.2.4.8 seems to repeat the same statements in a different way).

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Update the text based on the suggested remedy with editorial license.

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Here we have

"Note that EEE and low-power idle are not supported, and the optional states TX\_LI and RX\_LI are not used"

But in 175.2.4.1 and 175.2.5.9 there are references to the state-diagram encoder and decoder, respectively, without this note.

To avoid duplicity and apparent contradiction, this note should appear in the encoder and decoder definitions.

The "state diagram figures" subclause includes a lot of descriptive text and should perhaps be made shorter in other ways.

### SuggestedRemedy

Delete the last paragraph of 175.2.6.2 (from "The transmit state diagram" to "172.2.4.1.2 and 172.2.5.9.2, respectively").

Add the required statements about EEE/LPI in 175.2.4.1 and 175.2.5.9 instead.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The suggested remedy metions to delete text from 176.2.6.2, but appears that this should be a reference to 176.2.6.3.

The text in 176.2.6.3 is an overview of what each state diagram is doing to aid the reader in understanding the diagrams. It describes how the state diagrams shown in CL 175 as well as the state diagrams borrowed/referenced from CL 119 implement the PCS functionality. The last paragraph of 175.2.6.2 should reamain for completeness of these descriptions and the purpose of this subclause.

Adding the statement about EEE/LPI to 175.2.4.1 and 175.2.6.9 is not necessary for the understanding of the functions since the referenced figures already contain a note that those states are only required to support EEE and it is already stated elsewhere in CL 175 that EEE is not supported. The note in 176.2.6.3 is just a simple reminder of that.

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 SC 176.3
 P 281
 L 45
 # 251

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 TR
 Comment Status
 D
 PCS SI below

The last two rows of Table 176-6 include the value "no primitive". This is not a valid value for SIGNAL\_OK, and it is somewhat unclean to define the logic this way.

The footnote says "When PMA:IS\_SIGNAL.request input is not present", assuming that a PCS does not generate this primitive. But this primitive is not defined as optional, nor excluded from the PCS. The PCS clauses state that the service interface below the PCS "... is an instance of the inter-sublayer service interface defined in ...", and that means it includes the IS\_SIGNAL.request primitive.

(Noting that "the service interface definitions are abstract and do not imply a particular implementation", having that primitive in the service interface below the PCS does not imply a particular implementation).

Since the two "no primitive" rows are identical to the two "OK" rows, this is equivalent to assuming that a PCS or DTE XS always generates OK. However, an implementation of a PCS or DTE XS can sometimes not generate a valid signal for the purpose of IS\_SIGNALrequest - for example, when it is reset or disabled. It should be allowed (if not required) to indicate such a state by a value FAIL for this primitive, which would create the desired effect in this table. This is addressed by another comment. The suggested remedy here is independent of the resolution of the other comment.

### SuggestedRemedy

In Table 176-6, delete the bottom two rows and footnote e.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolve using the response to comment #248.

 CI 177
 SC 177.4.7
 P321
 L 32
 # 252

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 (bucket)

The ratio listed here is between the line rate (including pad) and the nominal data rate after inner FEC encoding (excluding pad). The ratio holds not only for the nominal rates but also for the actual rate.

Comment #285 against D1.3 requested to add a ratio, but the intent was the ratio between bit rates at the input and output (in the transmit direction) of the inner FEC sublayer. This ratio has practical importance for implementations.

The inner FEC addition of parity bits results in a ratio of 128/120. The addition of pad bits multiplies this ratio by 1089/1088. The total ratio is the product of these ratios, which is 363/340.

### SuggestedRemedy

Append the following sentence:

"The bit rate after pad insertion is 363/340 of the bit rate of the tx\_symbol stream at the Inner FEC service interface."

### Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The suggested remedy is an improvement. But the previous sentence should not refer to "nominal rate".

Change: "The ratio between the nominal rate before and after pad insertion is 1088/1089." To: "The ratio between the rate before and after pad insertion is 1088/1089. The bit rate after pad insertion is 363/340 of the bit rate of the tx\_symbol stream at the Inner FEC service interface."

Implement with editorial license.

 CI 177
 SC 177.4.9.4
 P324
 L8
 # 253

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 PRBS requirements

SSPRQ generation is defined as optional.

Due to the inner FEC encoder, there is no way to have SSPRQ at the PMD output with an external generator.

Currently, per Table 183–13, several optical parameters require SSPRQ generation with no other option. Since this pattern can only be generated by the inner FEC, its implementation must be mandatory. An implementation that does not include it cannot be tested.

Alternatively, the optical tests for TDECQ, TECQ, overshoot/undershoot, and transmitter power excursion could be redefined with other test patterns; however, this will likely require a lot of work and is not a low-hanging fruit.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change

"The Inner FEC may optionally include a short stress pattern random quaternary (SSPRQ) test-pattern generator"

to

"The Inner FEC shall include a short stress pattern random quaternary (SSPRQ) testpattern generator".

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

(bucket)

CI 178 SC 178.1 P340 L29 # 254

Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type T Comment Status D AN differential swing

As indicated in Table 178-1, A 200GBASE-KR1 PHY is required to support Clause 73 AN.

In normal operation this PHY has a maximum peak-to-peak specification that is lower than

As indicated in Table 178-1, A 200GBASE-KR1 PHY is required to support Clause 73 AN. In normal operation this PHY has a maximum peak-to-peak specification that is lower than what is allowed in AN signaling. The same requirement should apply when the PHY generates the AN signal.

Similarly in Tables 178-2 through 178-4.

### SuggestedRemedy

Add the following footnote to the "73-AN" row:

"For a device that advertises 200GBASE-KR1 ability, the DME transmission (See 73.5) has a maximum Transmit differential peak-to-peak output voltage of 1000 mV".

Add similar footnotes to the same item in Tables 178-2 through 178-4 with the corresponding abilities.

Implement with editorial license.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolving using the response to comment 261.

Cl 178 SC 178.8.2 P346 L44 # 255

Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

In "are delivered to the MDI, according to the transmit electrical specifications in" The comma is out of place. "according" is linked to "delivered".

Also in 178.8.3.

SugaestedRemedy

Delete the commas in both places.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 178 SC 178.8.3 P346 L49 # 256

Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket)

Incorrect reference to 178.9.2.7

SuggestedRemedy

Change to 178.9.3.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 178 SC 178.9.2 P348 L13 # 257

Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

In Table 178-6, DC common-mode voltage has max and min in separate rows. In Table 176D-1 it is a range, which is more readable.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change to a range in a single row as in Table 176D-1.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 178 SC 178.9.2 P348 L22 # 258

Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status D Steady-state voltage

In Table 178-6, the transmitter steady-state voltage is only defined in terms of a minimum  $dv_f$  of 0 V. This corresponds to a minimum  $v_f$  spec (0.4 V with A\_v=0.385 V) but there is no maximum.

With the current specs v\_f can be anywhere above 0.4 V (and above 0.5 0V, which would contradict the COM assumption about NEXT; A ne=0.481 V).

Compare to CR specifications in Table 179-7 where the v\_f specification is a range.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Change the dv\_f specification from min to range, from 0 to 0.1 V, corresponding to v\_f between 0.4 and 0.5 V.

Implement with editorial license, considering responses to other comments (which may change the  $v_f$  range).

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment addresses a gap in the specification. The proposed change addresses the gap and is consistent with the adopted transmitter specification.

Pending CRG discussion, implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

Steady-state voltage

C/ 178 SC 178.9.2.4 P350 L33 # 259 Cisco Ran, Adee

The procedure in 163A.3.2.1 refers to 163A.3.1.1 for calculation of the reference voltage. This calculation depends on parameters that should be provided by the invoking clause. The texts refers to Table 178-12 but some required parameters (T r, f r, A v, f b) are in Table 178-13.

Also, the parameters M and D\_p are not defined anywhere in this clause.

Comment Status D

SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type

Change from

"with Nv = 400 and other parameter values specified in Table 178–12"

"with Nv = 400, M=32, D p=4, and other parameter values specified in Table 178-12 and Table 178-13".

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

ER

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

C/ 178 SC 178.9.3 P351 L38 # 260

Cisco Ran, Adee

Comment Type ER Comment Status D Steady-state voltage

Footnote a of Table 178-9 says "Specified as the steady-state voltage (as defined in 178.9.2.4) measured at the test transmitter's output"

But 178.9.2.4 currently defines only the difference steady-state voltage, not the measured steady-state voltage, which is needed here.

Table 176C-4 has the same issue, since it also refers to 178.9.2.4.

SuggestedRemedy

In 178.9.2.4, change from

"The difference steady-state voltage of the transmitter at TP0v is computed using the procedure in 163A.3.2.1"

The measured steady-state voltage v\_f^(meas) of the transmitter at TP0v and the difference steady-state voltage dv\_f are computed using the procedure in 163A.3.2.1".

In Table 178-9 and Table 176C-4, change the footnote text to

"Specified as the measured steady-state voltage v\_f^(meas) (as defined in 178.9.2.4) at the test transmitter's output".

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment addresses a technical gap in the draft.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license. [CC 176C, 178]

AN differential swing

Cl 179 SC 179.1 P370 L5 # 261
Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Status D

As indicated in Table 179-1, A 200GBASE-CR1 PHY is required to support Clause 73 AN. In normal operation this PHY has a maximum peak-to-peak specification that is lower than what is allowed in AN signaling. The same requirement should apply when the PHY generates the AN signal.

Similarly in Tables 179-2 through 179-4.

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### SuggestedRemedy

Comment Type

Add the following footnote to the 73-AN row:

"For a device that advertises 200GBASE-CR1 ability, the DME transmission (See 73.5) has a maximum Transmit differential peak-to-peak output voltage of 1000 mV".

Add similar footnotes to the same item in Tables 179-2 through 179-4 with the corresponding abilities.

Implement with editorial license.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Comment #219 proposes a different set of changes for a similar purpose.

For CRG discussion.

 CI 179
 SC 179.9.4
 P 380
 L 13
 # 262

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 TR
 Comment Status
 D
 DC common-mode

In Table 179-7 the DC common-mode voltage for CR has maximum of 1.9 V.

This is higher than all other interfaces, without justification, and these values are irrelevant for modern processes. Also, there is no minimum.

Clause 178 and Annex 176C define a range of 0.2 to 1 V. It is expected that similar devices will be used in CR, KR, and C2C.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Change to DC common-mode voltage (range), 0.2 to 1 V.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment and the suggested remedy are reasonable, but consensus is not obvious. For CRG discussion.

 Cl 179
 SC 179.9.4.1.3
 P 383
 L 31
 # 263

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 TR
 Comment Status
 D
 Max swing & initial ILT setting

The "initialize" values adopted in D1.4 are different for CR and for C2M.

This requires different initialization in the transmitter and, very likely, a different algorithm in the receiver, depending on the mode chosen for the port (whether a module or a copper cable is plugged). These create an unnecessary burden for firmware developers, possibly increasing the code size and development/debugging time.

The motivation for choosing preset 6 for the initial setting was to limit the initial swing reaching the receiver input. The maximum transmitter swing with preset 6 is 0.75 V. In comparison, CR initial setting is preset 1, which has a maximum transmitter swing of 1 V.

It is reasonable to assume that CR receivers can handle 1 V output swing of the transmitter (which will be attenuated by the channel, assumed to have considerable loss at frequencies present in the ILT signal).

If preset 6 is used as the initial value for CR too, the transmitter's v\_f (measured near the transmitter with preset 1) for these PMDs can be allowed to be as high as 0.6 V; If a device has v\_f at this maximum value, then with preset 6, the transmitter swing will be 0.9 V, lower than the 1 V currently allowed. If a device has v\_f of 0.5 (the maximum in D1.4) its maximum will be 0.8 V. Either way, the receiver will see an even lower swing.

This will enable using a higher output swing for CR, potentially increasing their reach (if the transmitter is capable), and using the same adaptation algorithms in the receiver.

This change does not require increasing A\_ne in COM; having transmitter swing at the maximum on one end of the cable and at the minimum on the other is not a likely situation and can be excluded from cable compliance assumptions. Devices should work with cables that meet the existing specifications.

A similar argument can be made for KR vs. C2C.

#### SuggestedRemedy

In Table 179-7, change the Transmitter steady-state voltage v\_f range from "0.4 to 0.5" to "0.4 to 0.6", and change "differential peak-to-peak voltage (max) , transmitter enabled" from "1" to "1.2".

In Table 179–8, change the "initialize" setting to match preset 6, and delete "and initialize" in the footnote.

In Table 179–10, change the "Amplitude tolerance" value from "0.5" to "0.6".

in 179.9.5.2, add an informative note as follows:

"NOTE--The steady-state voltage in Table 179-10 corresponds to preset 1. It is not initially generated by a transmitter, due to the initialize setting in Table 179–8. The receiver is not required to tolerate preset 1 unless it specifically requests for it."

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Optionally, apply the corresponding changes in clause 178.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment and the suggested remedy are reasonable, but consensus is not obvious. For CRG discussion.

C/ 179 SC 179.9.5.3 P392 / 40 # 264

Ran. Adee Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status D (bucket)

Footnote c of Table 179-11 states that

"The COM value is the target value for the SNRTX calibration defined in 179.9.5.3.3 item g). The SNRTX value

measured at the Tx test reference should be as close as practical to the value needed to produce the target COM." etc.

This statement is technically incorrect - the value measured is SNDR, and it is not changed to calibrate COM.

This footnote is only intended to state that passing the test with lower COM demonstrates margin.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change the footnote text to:

"COM is calculated as defined in 179.9.5.3.3. Meeting the test requirements with a lower value of COM demonstrates margin to the specification but is not required for compliance."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment identifies an error that needs to be corrected.

Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

C/ 181 SC 181.9.1 P455 L42 # 265

Cisco Ran, Adee

Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket)

Table 181-12 has a row labeled "Over/under-shoot", which is a shorthand we should not use. The referenced subclause 181.9.7 is titled "Transmitter overshoot and undershoot" (and unfortunately has "over/under-shoot" in the text).

Also in the corresponding places in Clause 183.

Compare with Clause 180 which has "Transmitter overshoot and undershoot" consistently in the corresponding places.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change "Over/under-shoot" to "Overshoot and undershoot" across the draft.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

C/ 185 SC 185.3 P544 L 20 # 266

Ran. Adee Cisco

Comment Status D Comment Type Т

In Figure 185-3, the PMA above the PHY 800GXS does not have an incoming IS\_SIGNAL.INDICATION primitive, which is required for the ILT function of the 800GAUI-n

This primitive is defined implicitly for the PHY XS, through the IS\_SIGNAL.request primitive of the PCS (which is defined in 116.3.3.3) and by the text of 171.3.

#### SuggestedRemedy

above it.

Add an upward arrow with label "PCS:IS SIGNAL indication" in Figure 185-3.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolve using the response to comment #21.

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C/ 176C SC 176C.2.1 P**702 L6** # 267 Cisco Ran, Adee

Comment Type ER Comment Status D Comment Type

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Ran, Adee

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cisco Comment Status D

Response Status W

P705

In Table 176C-2, Common-mode voltage has max and min in separate rows. In Annex

Also, the parameter should be called DC common-mode voltage, as in other clauses.

Change to "DC common-mode voltage", with range in a single row as in Table 176D-1.

L38

# 269

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"Functional specification" is 176C.2.1, below 176C.2 which is "Error ratio allocation". This is not the correct place in the hierarchy (and it is different from 176D).

SuggestedRemedy

Promote "Functional specification" to become 176C.3, renumbering the subsequent subclauses.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 176C SC 176C.2.1 P**702** 

L18

# 268

Ran. Adee Cisco

Comment Status D Comment Type TR

Functional specification

There is no mention in the functional specifications that a C2C component should support the ILT function.

Also, the coefficients and presets supported by a C2C transmitter are not listed.

The suggested remedy is based on the corresponding text in 176D.3, and refers to the C2M presets in Table 176D-9, which are the same as those of C2C.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the 3rd paragraph and insert a paragraph after it, as follows:

"An n-lane C2C component is functionally equivalent to a corresponding n-lane PMD specified in Clause 178 (see 178.8) using PAM4 signaling at a nominal signaling rate of 106.25 GBd on each lane. The service interfaces are defined in 176C.3. Specifically, a C2C component shall provide the inter-sublaver link training (ILT) function for a Type E1 interface, specified in Annex 178B. When the variable mr training enable is true, the ILT function is used to request changes to the C2C peer transmitter state (modulation, training pattern, and precoder state), control the transmitter output on each lane, indicate the receiver state, and coordinate transition to DATA mode.

A C2C component transmitter supports the coefficient indexes k list =  $\{-3, -2, -1, 0, 1\}$  and the initial conditions preset 1 through preset 6 and initialize (see Table 176D-9)."

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 176C SC 176C.5.3 P705 L47 # 270 Cisco

Ran. Adee

SC 176C.4.3

ER

176D it is a range, which is more readable.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D Steady-state voltage

In Table 176C-2, the transmitter steady-state voltage is only defined in terms of a minimum dv f of 0 V. This corresponds to a minimum v f spec (0.4 V with A v=0.385 V) but there is no maximum.

With the current specs v f can be above 0.5 V. This would contradict the COM assumption about NEXT (A ne=0.481 V).

Compare to C2M specifications in Table 176D-2 where the v\_f specification is a range.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the dv f specification from min to range, from 0 to 0.1 V, corresponding to v f between 0.4 and 0.5 V.

Proposed Response

Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment addresses a gap in the specification. The proposed change addresses the gap and is consistent with the adopted transmitter specification.

Pending CRG discussion, implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

 CI 176D
 SC 176D.6.3
 P727
 L13
 # 271

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 DC common-mode

In Table 176D-2, Host output DC common mode voltage range is 0 to 1 V, while in Clause 178 and Annex 176C it is 0.2 to 1 V (which follows precedence in 802.3ck).

Similarly for host input in 176D.6.5, Table 176D-4.

The ranges should be aligned.

To facilitate design with no AC coupling caps, the DC common mode should be large enough to prevent negative single-ended voltages.

### SuggestedRemedy

Change the DC common-mode voltage range to "0.2 to 1" for both host output and input. Also, change the module DC common-mode voltage tolerance requirements (input and output) to a range of 0.15 to 1.05 V.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The comment and the suggested remedy are reasonable, but consensus is not obvious. For CRG discussion.

Host output (Table 176D-2) and input (Table 176D-4) do not have DC common mode tolerance specifications.

Although the module is assumed to include AC caps, difference between host and module common mode can cause inrush current that the host needs to tolerate.

Having a defined DC common mode tolerance specification would also facilitate operation with modules that do not include AC coupling caps, which may become the norm at 200 Gb/s per lane.

### SuggestedRemedy

Add host input/output DC common mode tolerance specifications, aligned with those of the module (which may be modified by another comment).

Proposed Response Status W

#### PROPOSED REJECT.

Host output tolerance is not required, since the module input is assumed to be AC coupled (possibly internal to its chip) and have high DC impedance.

Host input tolerance specification may be required to enable modules without external AC coupling at their output.

Host input tolerance specification could be considered to enable modules without AC coupling at their output. However, this module feature has not been proposed, and is not required for technical completeness.

 CI 176D
 SC 176D.6.4
 P728
 L 13
 # 273

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 DC common-mode

Module output (Table 176D-3) and input (Table 176D-5) do not have DC common mode specifications.

Although the module is assumed to include AC caps, difference between host and module common mode can cause inrush current that the host needs to tolerate.

Having a defined DC common mode specification would also facilitate operation with modules that do not include AC coupling caps, which may become the norm at 200 Gb/s per lane.

It may be argued that when a module includes AC caps (as specified) the common mode may not be as easy to measure as it is for DC-coupled input/output - but there are ways to do it.

### SuggestedRemedy

Add module input/output DC common mode specifications, aligned with those of the host (which may be modified by another comment).

Proposed Response Response Status W

#### PROPOSED REJECT.

Module input specification is not required, since the module input is assumed to be AC coupled (possibly internal to its chip) and have high DC impedance.

Module output specification could be considered to enable modules without AC coupling at their output. However, this module feature has not been proposed, and is not required for technical completeness.

The noise calibration procedure in Annex 176D is not aligned with that of clause 179, both editorially and technically.

Specifically, item f) refers to calibrating the noise using SNR\_TX, while the procedure in 179.9.5.3.3 uses a separate parameter sigma in ns. which is preferable.

Also, the equations and notes are identical to those in 179.9.5.3.3.

The procedure should be aligned to that of 179.9.5.3.3, with the additions required to address testing modules (items a and b). The equations there can be referenced.

### SuggestedRemedy

Align items c through f with the corresponding items in 179.9.5.3.3, and replace duplicate equations with references.

Implement with editorial license.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 178B SC 178B.7 P778 L27 # 275

Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type ER Comment Status D (bucket)

Stray space in "free -running PRBS31" 4 instances

SuggestedRemedy

Change to "free-running PRBS31", 4 times

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change "free -running PRBS31" to: "free-running PRBS31" in Tables 178B-2, 178B-3, 178B-4 and 178B-5.

 CI 178B
 SC 178B.14.2.1
 P768
 L 43
 # 276

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 TR
 Comment Status
 D
 Variables

The definitions of adjacent\_remote\_rts and adjacent\_isl\_ready refer to "the other interface", which is not defined.

The definitions include SIGNAL\_OK, but the primitive from which this parameter is taken depends on where the ILT is. The NOTE under the definition helps somewhat, but it is not sufficiently clear.

### SuggestedRemedy

A detailed presentation was given in the ad hoc teleconference, see https://www.ieee802.org/3/dj/public/adhoc/optics/0225\_OPTX/ran\_3dj\_adhoc\_01a\_250220.pdf .

Implement the proposal in slide 8 of 3di adhoc 01a 250220, with editorial license.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the proposal in slide 8 of ran 3dj adhoc 01a 250220, with editorial license.

 CI 178B
 SC 178B.6.3.1
 P776
 L1
 # 277

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 (bucket)

"The last two symbols of the training pattern are "0" symbols"

The length of the training pattern is not mentioned in this subclause (synchronous PRBS13 function), so "the last two symbols" are not defined properly (understanding it requires going back to the training frame structure).

A similar requirement is stated in the third paragraph of the parent subclause 178B.6.3. It is more detailed and well-defined, and it makes this statement redundant.

#### SuggestedRemedy

Delete the quoted sentence.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Comma before "during ILT" is not required.

Also, ILT is a function, not a period or a state. It could be "during training" or "during transmission of training frames".

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the comma, and change "during ILT" to "during training" or another appropriate term, with editorial license.

Proposed Response Response Status W
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete the comma, and change "during ILT" to "during training", with editorial license.

Cl 178B SC 178B.14.3 P789 L10 # 279

Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type E Comment Status D (bucket)

Missing period at the end of the last paragraph of the subclause (after "precoding").

SugaestedRemedy

Add a period.

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

C/ 178B SC 178B.14.3.1 P789 L53 # 280

Ran, Adee Cisco

Comment Type T Comment Status D (bucket)

local\_rx\_ready should be conditional on receiving a PAM4 signal (otherwise it can be set to true with the initial PAM2 modulated signal).

This is currently mentioned in 178B.6.3 but only in a NOTE (making it informative).

SuggestedRemedy

Change from

"when the receiver on a lane of the interface has determined that the ISL partner's transmitter is not disabled <...>"

to

"when the receiver on a lane of the interface has determined that the ISL partner's transmitter is transmitting a PAM4 signal <...>"

Proposed Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

The text in 178B.6.3 (P774 L26) says:

"The training pattern selector is set to synchronous PRBS13 and the modulation to PAM2 upon entry to the QUIET state of the Training control state diagram (see Figure 178B–8)." These settings have management variables associated with them, but assignments of these variables do not appear in the state diagram.

For completeness of the diagram, It is preferable to add them here too.

SuggestedRemedy

In the QUIET state of Figure 178B-8, add the assignments:

local\_tp\_mode <= synchronous PRBS13</pre>

local mc mode <= PAM2

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license

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 CI 178B
 SC 178B.14.3.5
 P793
 L 20
 # 282

 Ran, Adee
 Cisco

 Comment Type
 T
 Comment Status
 D
 AN/LT timers

There may be a desire to limit the time consumed by the adaptation part of ILT. This can be done by adding a timer that would be accessible by management.

Since a local device does not control the timing of the link partner, the timer should be active only during the TRAIN\_LOCAL state.

The timer period should be set by the invoking clause, and should be a configurable by management, with perhaps a recommendation in the standard.

### SuggestedRemedy

Modify Figure 178B-8, adding a timer, as follows:

In the Train Local state, add "start training\_timer".

In the Train Remote state, add "stop training\_timer".

Add a new timer definition in 178B.14.3.3:

training\_timer

This timer is started when the training control state diagram on a lane enters the TRAIN\_LOCAL state (see Figure 178B–8). The terminal count of this timer is controlled by the management variable training\_timer\_duration. The effect of expiration of this timer is implementation dependent.

Add a new variable definition in 178B.14.3.1:

training\_timer\_duration

Variable that controls the terminal count of training\_timer. The default value of this variable is defined by the PMD or AUI component specification.

Add a statement in each PMD clause (e.g., in 179.8.9) setting the default value of training\_timer\_duration to 60 seconds (matching the adopted link\_fail\_inhibit\_timer).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Also consider the effect of AN timer on ILT.

For CRG discussion.

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Incorrect reference to 178.8.2

SuggestedRemedy

Change to 178.9.2

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