

IEEE P802.3ct D1.1 100 Gb/s and 400 Gb/s over DWDM systems 2nd Task Force review comments

Cl 153 SC 153.2.3.3.1 P88 L42 # 1

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A bucket

The acronym FAS for frame alignment signal is defined in 1.5 then again in 153.2.3.2.4. Predominantly FAS is used thereafter but there are around 19 instances in Clause 153 of "frame alignment signal".

SuggestedRemedy

Change all instances of "frame alignment signal" to "FAS" after the acronym is defined on page 84 line 40.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

Cl 1 SC 1.5 P22 L32 # 2

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

A new acronym SC-FEC is introduced in Clause 153 and the acronym has been added to many clauses and annexes including 45, 80, 154, and 83C.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the acronym SC-FEC "staircase FEC" to the acronym list in 1.5.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 153 SC 153.2.3.1 P83 L25 # 3

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A

A new acronym SC-FEC is introduced and defined near the beginning Clause 153. Predominantly SC-FEC is used thereafter but in many places throughout Clause 153. Only SC-FEC is used in other clauses including 45, 80, 154, and 83C. However, there are several instances where "staircase FEC" is reused.

SuggestedRemedy

Change all instances of "staircase FEC" to SC-FEC after the acronym is defined on page 81 line 9, with some exceptions such as the definition list in Figure 153-1 and similar.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Implement the proposed remedy with editorial license.

Cl 152 SC 152.2 P59 L40 # 4

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Subclause 152.2 defines the inverse FEC SI as defined in 80.3 which is used by the inverse RS-FEC sublayer. When referring to the sublayer it should be "inverse RS-FEC sublayer" rather than "inverse FEC" sublayer.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "inverse FEC sublayer" to "inverse RS-FEC sublayer at Page 59 line 41,

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Make the indicated correction in both the title of 152.2 and the first sentence of the sub-clause.

Cl 152 SC 152.5.1 P61 L24 # 5

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status R

It is not immediately obvious which path is transmit function and which is receive function.

SuggestedRemedy

A label "Transmit function" to downward path and a label "Receive function" to the upward path.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.  
No other clause has this labeling. See, for example, Figure 91-2 from which this is derived. An unwritten convention is that the Tx direction is down and the Rx direction is up in these kinds of figures.

Cl 153 SC 153.2.3.1 P83 L24 # 6

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status R

It is not immediately obvious which path is transmit function and which is receive function.

SuggestedRemedy

A label "Transmit function" to downward path and a label "Receive function" to the upward path.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.  
See response to comment #5

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Cl 154 SC 154.1 P100 L8 # 7

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

It is not clear why "black link" deserves quotes and other terms like "DWDM channel" don't. The term "black link" is used throughout this clause so no quotes are required.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove quotes from "black link".

Two instances:  
page 100, line 8  
page 106, line 46

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 154 SC 154.1 P100 L8 # 8

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The term "black link" is an important element throughout this clause and will be in other clauses (e.g., 400GBASE-ZR PMD) and therefore a definition should be added to 1.4. Note that the term "black link" is never succinctly defined in this Clause.

SuggestedRemedy

Add definition for "black link" to 1.4.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

A definition for "black link" needs to be added to 1.4.

The exact definition is TBD.

Proposal: "A black link is a link where only the characteristics at the input and output of the link and the transfer characteristics are specified, without specifying how the link is designed."

Cl 154 SC 154.1 P100 L8 # 9

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Typically we use the term "(see xxx)" for cases where you have "(defined in 154.6)". Also, since both references in this sentence point to the same subclause only one reference is necessary. I would argue that the references are not necessary at all since this is an introductory sentence and its implicit that everything is going to be specified later in the clause.

SuggestedRemedy

Do one of the following:

1. Remove both references. (preferred)
2. Change "defined in" and "also defined in" to "see".
3. Remove the first reference and in the second change "also defined in" to "see".

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Implement remedy option 3.

Cl 154 SC 154.1 P101 L26 # 10

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Note that this might be considered technical.  
The medium for ZR is not SMF but rather a more complex "black link".

SuggestedRemedy

In Figure 154-1.  
Change "ZR = PMD FOR SINGLE MODE FIBER"  
To "ZR = PMD FOR BLACK LINK" or similar

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
In Figure 154-1 change "ZR = PMD FOR SINGLE MODE FIBER"  
To "ZR = PMD FOR DWDM CHANNEL OVER A BLACK LINK"

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Cl 154 SC 154.1 P101 L23 # 11

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A

At the bottom of Figure 154-1, the order of definitions should be alphanumeric. Also, SC-FEC is missing from definition list.

SuggestedRemedy

Move RS-FEC to after PMD.  
Add SC-FEC after RS-FEC.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
See resolution to comment #41.

Cl 154 SC 154.5.3 P104 L46 # 12

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Presumably, the "two DQPSK symbol streams" are extracted from each of two "orthogonal polarizations" as modulated by the transmit function (see 154.5.2). Text in 154.2 supports this.

SuggestedRemedy

Change:  
The PMD Receive function shall convert the composite optical signal received from the MDI into two DQPSK symbol streams for delivery."  
To:  
The PMD Receive function shall convert the composite optical signal received from the MDI into two DQPSK symbol streams, each from one of two orthogonal polarizations, for delivery." or similar

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The polarization of the incoming optical composite signal probably has rotated from the original 2 polarizations transmitted and therefore it is the task of the receiver (with the special task of the receiver DSP) has to retrieve the original transmitted symbol streams.

Add note clarifying that the original polarizations may have undergone significant rotation during transmission over the fiber with editorial license.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.3 P111 L13 # 13

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A Bucket

In Table 154-10, footnote a, there is a disconnect between the parameter DGD\_max and the table. Previously PMDs, a similar table (e.g., Table 124-11 in 802.3-2018) included DGD\_max as a description, whereas here the description is spelled out in words. For consistency and clarity, include the DGD\_max term in the description cell.

SuggestedRemedy

In the first column of row 2 change the description to:  
"Maximum differential group delay, DGD\_max"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 83C SC 83C.4.2 P120 L11 # 14

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Figure 83C-9 and Figure 83C-10 should include both 100GAUI-4 and 100GAUI-2.

SuggestedRemedy

Add 100GAUI-4 in addition to 100GAUI-2.  
See Figure 135A-8 in 802.3cd-2018 as an example.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The indicated figures become Figure 135A-9 and Figure 135A-10 respectively per the response to comment 15. Make the indicated changes to these figures with editorial license.

Cl 83C SC 83C.4.2 P120 L11 # 15

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Figure 83C-9 and Figure 83C-10 should be in Annex 135A not 83C, as they are primarily examples of Clause 135 PMA not Clause 83 PMA>

SuggestedRemedy

Add Annex 135A to 802.3ct and amend by moving Figure 83C-9 and Figure 83C-10 to Annex 135A.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the proposed remedy, so Figure 83C-9 becomes Figure 135A-9 and Figure 83C-10 becomes Figure 135A-10, and see response to comment 14.

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Cl 152 SC 152.1 P58 L13 # 16

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

When the inverse FEC was adopted as a baseline it was meant not only to enable conversion to the 100GBASE-ZR but rather as reusable sublayer for either (a) converting to a FEC other than the Clause 91 RS(544,514) FEC or (b) permit correction between the MAC device and the PMD device. The inverse FEC is analogous to the 400GXS and 200GXS specified by 802.3bs for 400GE and 200GE (see Clause 118 in 802.3-2018). However, as the introductory subclause is written it is targeting specifically the 100GBASE-ZR PHY. To encourage general reuse of this sublayer and to avoid reworking this clause for new PHY types it should be defined generically.

*SuggestedRemedy*

In 152.1, change the second sentence to: "This sublayer is used in cases where the RS-FEC specified in Clause 91 is used across a chip-to-chip or chip-to-module interface and a different FEC is used for the PMD."

In Figure 152-1 change "100GBASE-ZR" to "FEC" and "100GBASE-ZR PMA" to "PMA" and update the definition list.

Change the title of 83C.4 to "Partitioning examples with Inverse RS-FEC"

In Figure 83C-9 and Figure 83C-10...

change "SC-FEC" to "FEC" (two places)

change "100GBASE-ZR PMA" to "PMA"

change "100GBASE-ZR" to "100GBASE-Z/P" or add "100GBASE-P"

If any examples specific to the 100GBASE-ZR PHY are required they should go in one of the clauses specific to 100GBASE-ZR (153 or 154).

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

At the time this clause was created, SC-FEC was the only known case where it would be used. Now that P802.3ck has adopted the optional interleaved 100G FEC, there is a second case where clause 152 could be used.

Implement the proposed remedy with editorial license.

Cl 1 SC 1.5 P22 L48 # 17

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

"generic mapping procedure" should not be capitalized; see G.709. In 802.3 standards, only defined proper nouns are capitalized, except as required, e.g., first character in sentence or title.

*SuggestedRemedy*

change to "generic mapping protocol"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to "generic mapping procedure"

Cl 1 SC 1.5 P22 L45 # 18

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A

DQPSK is used separately from DP-DQPSK to define a coding method, rather than modulation format

*SuggestedRemedy*

add separate acronym for DQPSK

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE

Will add the acronym DQPSK "Differential Quadrature Phase Shift Keying" to 1.5.

Cl 80 SC 80.1 P48 L7 # 19

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

802.3cu updates this paragraph, adding 100GBASE-FR1 and 100GBASE-LR1

*SuggestedRemedy*

update this paragraph based on changes in 802.3cu

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Modify the existing language "The MDIs as specified in Clause 89 for 40GBASE-FR, and Clause 140 for 100GBASE-DR, and Clause 154 for 100GBASE-ZR use a single lane data path" to read "The MDIs as specified in Clause 89 for 40GBASE-FR, and Clause 140 for 100GBASE-DR, 100GBASE-FR1 and 100GBASE-LR1 and Clause 154 for 100GBASE-ZR use a single lane data path"

Cl 80 SC 80.3.2 P50 L30 # 20

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A Bucket

For 100GBASE-ZR a new class of PHY, 100GBASE-Z, was defined so it should be added to the list of PHY types after 100GBASE-P. Also, "Figure 80-4a," must be underlined.

*SuggestedRemedy*

add "100GBASE-Z" after "100GBASE-P" with appropriate grammar and markup  
mark up all new and delete text

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 80 SC 80.2.4 P50 L5 # 21

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

100GBASE-ZR PMA (specified in 153)) is not a 100GBASE-R PMA (specified in 83).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove ", with the exception of 100GBASE-ZR which is specified in Clause153."

Add new sentence at the end of the paragraph:

"The PMA specific to the 100GBASE-ZR PHY is specified in Clause 153."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete the exception as noted and add new sentence at the end of the paragraph:

"The PMA specific to the 100GBASE-ZR PHY is specified in 153.3."

Cl 152 SC 152.1.1 P58 L12 # 22

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A bucket

The RS-FEC acronym is introduced in the first sentence.

*SuggestedRemedy*

In second sentence change "Reed-Solomon FEC" to "RS-FEC".

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Editor's Note: Page 48 in comment changed to page 58.

Cl 152 SC 152.1 P59 L35 # 23

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A bucket

For Figure 152-1. The PMA above the Inverse RS-FEC is defined in Clause 135 not Clause 83.

*SuggestedRemedy*

In note 1, change "CLAUSE 83" to "CLAUSE 135"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 152 SC 152.2 P60 L4 # 24

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The SIGNAL\_OK parameter is sent upward and thus is affected by the 64B/66B block lock and alignment process rather than FEC codeword alignment process.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the last sentence of 152.2 to the following (based on test in 82.2):

"The value is set to OK when align\_status (see 152.6.13) is true. The value is set to FALSE when align\_status is false."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the last two sentences of 152.2 to the indicated replacement.

[Editor's Note: Line number changed to 4]

Cl 152 SC 152.6.13 P76 L14 # 25

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A bucket

tx\_align\_status does not appear in Figure 82-14.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "tx\_align\_status" to "rx\_align\_status".

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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CI 152 SC 152.3 P60 L11 # 26

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The sentence refers to "The restriction that all PMA service interfaces between the RS-FEC sublayer and the PMD sublayer consist of four or fewer lanes is removed below the Inverse RS-FEC sublayer." It is not clear where this restriction is coming from.

SuggestedRemedy

Provide information indicating the source of this restriction, perhaps a subclause number.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change:

"The restriction that all PMA service interfaces between the RS-FEC sublayer and the PMD sublayer consist of four or fewer lanes is removed below the Inverse RS-FEC sublayer."

to

"The restriction that all PMA service interfaces between the RS-FEC sublayer and the PMD sublayer consist of four or fewer lanes (see 91.3) is removed below the Inverse RS-FEC sublayer."

The indicated restriction is described in the final paragraph of 91.3. But once you terminate the FEC and go back to the 20 PCS lane format, you are no longer locked at 4 or fewer lanes.

CI 152 SC 152.5 P60 L28 # 27

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status R

There is a reference to "The FEC optional states in Clause 91". This is a bit vague.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to "The optional states in Figure 91-8..."

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

There doesn't seem to be a lot of consistency across various clauses about how these states are described. However, Clause 45 has created a specific variable "FEC optional states supported", so calling these the "FEC optional states" seems a safe way to refer to them.

The intro paragraph of 152.5 is simply a high-level intro of what is or is not supported in the clause. The detail in 152.5.2.1 includes the specific description that the FEC optional states are those within the dotted line in Figure 91-8 and Transition A.

CI 152 SC 152.5 P60 L27 # 28

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type E Comment Status A bucket

It is not necessary to give a reason for a specification and the reason given may not be perpetually valid. It is sufficient to say simply that the EEE deep sleep is not supported. Note that for KR (backplane) and CR (twinax) PHYs being specified by 802.3ck there is no objective to support EEE.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "since all PHY types using this sublayer are optical".

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 152 SC 152.5.4.2.3 P73 L5 # 29

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Since FEC optional states are mandatory for Inverse RS-FEC amp\_bad\_count is not conditional.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "if the optional states are supported in the FEC synchronization process"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

[Editor's note - page changed to 73]

Implement the proposed remedy. Delete the same words also under restart\_lock on line 33, page 72.

CI 152 SC 152.6.6 P75 L18 # 30

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Since FEC optional states are mandatory an associated ability bit is not required. In 152.5.4.2.1 the variable that controls the state machine, fec\_optional\_states, is unconditionally forced to true.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete 152.6.6.

Delete "fec\_optional\_states" row in Table 152-2.

Delete row for 1.2201.7 in Table 45-150ab.

Delete 45.2.1.186ab.7.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 152 SC 152.5.1 P61 L24 # 31  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status R  
 In Figure 152-2, it is not immediately clear which path is transmit function and which is receive function.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add label "Transmit Function" to the left (downward) path and "Receive Function" to the right (upward) path.  
 Response Response Status C  
 REJECT.  
 Duplicate of Comment #5

Cl 152 SC 152.5.1 P61 L40 # 32  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A bucket  
 In Figure 152-2, the layer below might be either a FEC or a PMA sublayer. For the case where the below layer can be more than one, the variable inst (italicized) is used (see Figure 120-5).  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 In Figure 152-2.  
 For the signals below the Inverse RS-FEC change "FEC:IS" to "inst:IS" with inst italicized. Similar to Figure 120-5, add legend text:  
 "inst -- PMA or FEC, depending on which sublayer is below this PMA"  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

Cl 152 SC 152.5.2.1 P62 L2 # 33  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A bucket  
 The sentence below is unnecessarily wordy. The reference figure clearly indicates the optional state. This should be more than a note.  
 "Note that the FEC optional states within the dotted line of Figure 91-8, and transition A, are mandatory in the context of the Inverse RS-FEC sublayer."  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change the sentence to: "The FEC optional states and transition A in Figure 91-8 are mandatory for the Inverse RS-FEC."  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

Cl 152 SC 152.5.2.6 P63 L44 # 34  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A bucket  
 For the phrase "distributed to multiple PCS lanes", I think for the Inverse RS-FEC "multiple" is 20. The wording above likely came from Clause 82 where both a 40G four-lane and 100G 20-lane PCS were defined.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "multiple PCS lanes" to "20 PCS lanes".  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Following the practice in clause 82, change "multiple PCS lanes" to "twenty PCS lanes"

Cl 153 SC 153.2.1 P82 L16 # 35  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 It is more likely the SC-FEC will connect to the PCS through a Clause 135 PMA using 100GAUI-4 or 100GAUI-2 in which case RS-FEC would be in use and Inverse FEC would be required. It is also possible the interface could be C2C or C2M.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change the paragraph to:  
 "The PCS may be connected to the SC-FEC using an optional instantiation of the PMA service interface (see Annex 83A, Annex 83B, Annex 83D, Annex 83E, and Annex 135D through Annex 135G) in which case a PMA (see Annex 83) or Inverse FEC (see Clause 152) is a client of the FEC service interface."  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 While a 100GAUI interface may exist above an Inverse RS-FEC sublayer, it is never immediately adjacent to a SC-FEC sublayer and hence is irrelevant for this clause since it can never be a physical instantiation of any Clause 153 interface.  
 The current text references the C2M Annex83x which is most probable for an implementation, but C2C should not be excluded.  
 Change the paragraph to:  
 "The PCS or Inverse RS-FEC may be connected to the SC-FEC using an optional instantiation of the PMA service interface (see Annex 83A, Annex 83B, Annex 83D, and Annex 83E) in which case a PMA (see Annex 83) or Inverse FEC (see Clause 152) is a client of the FEC service interface."

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Cl 153 SC 153.2.3.2.4 P84 L22 # 36  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A bucket  
 Need to spell out first instance of each acronym within each Clause.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change start of sentence to:  
 "The generic mapping procedure (GMP) mapper inserts."  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

Cl 153 SC 153.3.2.1 P95 L20 # 37  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A bucket  
 Figure 153-9 is the 100GBASE-ZR PMA.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "100GBASE-R" to "100GBASE-ZR".  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

Cl 153 SC 153.3.2.2.2 P95 L44 # 38  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A bucket  
 Need to spell out first instance of each acronym within each Clause.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change start of sentence to:  
 "The differential quadrature phase shift keying (DQPSK) encode ."  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

Cl 153 SC 153.3.2.3.1 P96 L25 # 39  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 The sentence should end with a period not a comma, since it is followed by sentences rather than phrases. However, since this is defining a procedure with 3 steps a lettered list would be appropriate.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Convert the procedure sentences to a lettered list.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

It isn't 3 steps, but two, with a 3rd sentence clarifying how the second step is carried out. Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

Cl 154 SC 154.1 P100 L10 # 40  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 In the spelled out wording of DP-DQPSK the hyphen is in the wrong place (see 1.5). Also, at first use in clause the spelled out version should occur first followed by the acronym in brackets.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change:  
 DP-DQPSK (dual polarization - differential quadrature phase shift keying) format to:  
 "dual-polarization differential quadrature phase shift keying (DP-DQPSK)"  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Change to "dual polarization differential quadrature phase shift keying (DP-DQPSK)"

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Cl 154 SC 154.1 P101 L23 # 41  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 In Figure 154-1, the legend list should be in alphanumeric order. Also, SC-FEC is missing from legend.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Move RS-FEC to after PMD.  
 Add SC-FEC after RS-FEC.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 The current order is similar to in-force clauses, for instance 140.  
 Replace  
 "RS-FEC = REED-SOLOMON FORWARD ERROR CORRECTION"  
 by  
 "SC-FEC = STAIRCASE FORWARD ERROR CORRECTION"

Cl 154 SC 154.1 P101 L26 # 42  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A  
 In Figure 154-1, the legend list note says ZR is a PMD for 80 km SMF. The introduction says 100GBASE-ZR is for transmission across a black link.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "PMD FOR SINGLE MODE FIBER 80 km"  
 to  
 "PMD for BLACK LINK"  
 or  
 "PMD for DWDM BLACK LINK"  
 or similar  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 See response to comment #10

Cl 154 SC 154.2. P102 L25 # 43  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A  
 The parameter "rx\_symbol" is never defined in this Clause.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Define "rx\_symbol".  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Usage of "rx\_symbol" is consistent with similar in-force clauses, for instance 121, therefore no definition is necessary in clause 154.  
 Furthermore in 154.5.3 change the two instances of  
 "DQPSK symbol streams"  
 to  
 "DQPSK rx\_symbol streams"  
 Additionally in 154.5.2 change the two instances of  
 "DQPSK symbol streams"  
 to  
 "DQPSK tx\_symbol streams"

Cl 154 SC 154.3.2 P102 L50 # 44  
 Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket  
 Editor's note should be in prescribed format (not red italic text).  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Create editor's notes using proper format.  
 Single-cell table in "Editor's note" table format.  
 Several places in Clause 154.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Execute modification in proposed remedy with editorial license.

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CI 154 SC 154.5.3 P104 L51 # 45

Brown, Matt Huawei Technologies Canada

Comment Type T Comment Status A Bucket

Each DQPSK stream carries 50 Gb/s not 100 Gb/s. Since this is referring to a phase change, it must be referring to the DQPSK signal on one of the polarization states.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "DQPSK 100 Gb/s signal" to "DQPSK 50 Gb/s signal".

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Delete "100 Gb/s"

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.186al P44 L42 # 46

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

The language in this paragraph is different from the one used in similar paragraphs in this document, see for example 45.2.1.186ad

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change: " Registers 1.2276 1.2277 are used to read the value of a 32-bit counter. When registers 1.2276 and 1.2277 are used to read the 32-bit counter value, the register 1.2276 is read first,"

With: "Registers 1.2276 and 1.2277 are used to read the value of a 32-bit counter. When registers 1.2276 and 1.2277 are used to read the 32-bit counter value, register 1.2276 is read first, "

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.186am P45 L10 # 47

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

The language in this paragraph is different from the one used in similar paragraphs in this document, see for example 45.2.1.186ad

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change: "When registers 1.2278 and 1.2279 are used to read the 32-bit counter value, the register 1.2278 is read first,"

With: "When registers 1.2278 and 1.2279 are used to read the 32-bit counter value, register 1.2278 is read first,"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Accept suggested remedy and will also modify the preceding sentence from "Registers 1.2278, 1.2279 are used to read the value of a 32-bit counter." to read "Registers 1.2278 and 1.2279 are used to read the value of a 32-bit counter."

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.186an P45 L29 # 48

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

The language in this paragraph is different from the one used in similar paragraphs in this document, see for example 45.2.1.186ad

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change: "Registers 1.2280, 1.2281, 1.2282, and 1.2283 are used to read the 64-bit counter value, the register 1.2280 is read first, "

With: "Registers 1.2280, 1.2281, 1.2282, and 1.2283 are used to read the value of a 64-bit counter. When registers 1.2280, 1.2281, 1.2282, and 1.2283 are used to read the 64-bit counter value, register 1.2280 is read first,"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.186ao P46 L2 # 49

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

The language in this paragraph is different from the one used in similar paragraphs in this document, see for example 45.2.1.186ad

SuggestedRemedy

Change: "When registers 1.2284, 1.2285, 1.2286, and 1.2287 are used to read the 64-bit counter value, the register 1.2284 is read first,"

With: "When registers 1.2284, 1.2285, 1.2286, and 1.2287 are used to read the 64-bit counter value, register 1.2284 is read first,"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Modify the existing wording "Registers 1.2284, 1.2285, 1.2286, 1.2287 are used to read the value of a 64-bit counter. When registers 1.2284, 1.2285, 1.2286, and 1.2287 are used to read the 64-bit counter value, the register 1.2284 is read first," to read "Registers 1.2284, 1.2285, 1.2286, and 1.2287 are used to read the value of a 64-bit counter. When registers 1.2284, 1.2285, 1.2286, and 1.2287 are used to read the 64-bit counter value, register 1.2284 is read first,"

Cl 80 SC 80.1.5 P49 L6 # 50

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Missing the "R"

SuggestedRemedy

Change "100GBASE-Z" to "100GBASE-ZR"

Proposed Response Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

WITHDRAWN

Cl 153 SC 153.2.3.2.4 P84 L43 # 51

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type TR Comment Status A bucket

The last 3 bytes of the FAS are 0x24, while ITU-T G.709 defines them as 0x28

SuggestedRemedy

Change the last 3 bytes of the FAS to 0x28 to make them consistent with the OTU4 defined in ITU-T G.709

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change

"1111 0110 1111 0110 1111 0110 0010 0100 0010 0100 0010 0100"  
to  
"1111 0110 1111 0110 1111 0110 0010 1000 0010 1000 0010 1000"

Cl 153 SC 153.2.3.2.7 P88 L5 # 52

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

From G.709 Annex C: "LLM = 0 position shall be aligned with MFAS = 0 position every 3840 (the least common multiple of 240 and 256) frame periods." The LLM is the 240-counter. If this is a OTL4.4 interface as noted in section 153.3.2.2.1, then we shall have a similar requirement. Note that this means the LLM shall be forced to a value of nx16 (n=0 to 15) when MFAS=0x00, otherwise the requirement will never be met. We may not be able to reuse the OTN HW, or have interoperability issues with such HW.

SuggestedRemedy

There are 2 options:

- 1- Add the following text: " This counter 0 position shall be aligned with MFAS = 0 position every 3840 (the least common multiple of 240 and 256) frame periods."
- 2 - Just add a note saying: "ITU-T G.709 Annex C requires that this counter 0 position be aligned with MFAS = 0 position every 3840 (the least common multiple of 240 and 256) frame periods to be able to TBD" and send a liaison to ITU-T SG15/Q11 asking clarifications regarding the need of this synchronization and what will happen if we do not require it

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a new penultimate sentence in the 1st paragraph of 153.2.3.2.7:

"The lane counter 0 position shall be aligned with MFAS = 0 position every 3840 (the least common multiple of 240 and 256) frame periods.

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Cl 153 SC 153.2.3.3.2 P88 L53 # 53

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** bucket

The last byte of the FAS is indicated as carrying the value 0x24, while ITU-T G.709 defines it as 0x28.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "0010 0100" with "0010 1000" to make it consistent with the OTU4 defined in ITU-T G.709

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl 153 SC 153.2.4.1.1 P90 L18 # 54

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **R**

ITU-T G.709 does not require to verify the 240 counter for FAS alignment/alignment loss. Note that if the OTU4-like signal does not include a 240 counter it will probably include the sixth FAS byte value that passes this test, so it does not help in detecting a misconnection to a non 100GBASE-ZR signal.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove requirement to verify the 240 counter from the fas\_valid variable.  
Add a definition for lane ID alignment/alignment loss similar to the one found in ITU-T G.798 section 8.2.6.2: "A new value of the logical lane marker is accepted when in five consecutive 16320-byte periods the same value is present after modulo 20 operation of the LLM byte value, and the recovery process will enter the in-recovery (IR) state. In the IR state, recovery will be lost and the out-of-recovery (OOR) state be entered, when in each of five consecutive 16320 byte periods a value is received that is not the same as the accepted logical lane marker value. During an OOR period, the last accepted LLM value has to be maintained as lane marker value."

Response Response Status **C**

REJECT.

The G.798 process is an "add on" to a base process that acquires frame alignment on a single-lane interface, adding a secondary process that acquires the lane number. In the context of Ethernet, the lane lock is only used for this particular multi-lane interface, and hence it is described more like an AM lock process which requires you see markers for the same lane in multiple occurrences to achieve lock. The current single stage frame alignment process as described requires validation of the 240 counter. The possible merits of changing to a two stage frame alignment process will be explored in an ad hoc.

Cl 153 SC 153.2.5.1 P93 L34 # 55

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A** bucket

Spare line

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove the spare line

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl 153 SC 153.3.2.2.1 P95 L38 # 56

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **A** bucket

All through section 153 the rates are defined using the exact values, e.g.  $(255/227) \times 24.8832$  GBd. Then in section 154 we start using the approximate value 27.9525 GBd. Refer also to section 153.3.1 (page 94 line 48) to see an example of linking the exact and approximate values.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add the approximate rate to the text as follows: "...a signaling rate of  $(255/227) \times 24.8832$  Gb/s  $\pm 20$  ppm ( $\sim 27.9525$  GBd)."

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl 154 SC 154.5.2 P104 L41 # 57

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A** Bucket

In this section the text is: "Table 154-4 contains the mapping." but in the following section (same page line 51) similar text reads: "Table 154-4 shows the mapping."

*SuggestedRemedy*

Make the two sentences consistent by using either "contains" or "shows" in both sentences.

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement proposed remedy with editorial license.

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CI 154 SC 154.5.4 P105 L16 # 58

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**

"SIGNAL\_DETECT shall be a global indicator of the presence of optical signals on both lanes. The value of the SIGNAL\_DETECT parameter shall be generated according to the conditions defined in Table 154-5. The PMD receiver is not required to verify whether a compliant 100GBASE-R signal is being received."

The requirement is to verify that there is an optical signal on both lanes, but Table 154-4 points to Table 154-9 that defines the average input power for the whole signal, not per lane (per polarization).

*SuggestedRemedy*

If the optical signal power is required to be monitored per lane (per polarization), then define it that way in Table 154-9.

If not, then change the SIGNAL\_DETECT definition to: "SIGNAL\_DETECT shall be a global indicator of the presence of optical signals." and remove "on both lines"

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Monitoring the composite signal allows the indication of the type of fault at TP3 to identify interruption of the optical signal of the link.

Remove in 154.5.4 the suggestion that each incoming polarization is monitored separately. With editorial license.

CI 154 SC 154.5.4 P105 L35 # 59

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**

Bucket

Unnecessary word "for"

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove the unnecessary "for"

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

CI 153 SC 153.2.4.4 P93 L3 # 60

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **A**

Undefined variable in Figure 153-8: "fas\_status"

*SuggestedRemedy*

Define "fas\_status"

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Change "fas\_status" to "fas\_align\_status"

CI 153 SC 153.2.4.4 P93 L6 # 61

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **R**

Undefined variable in Figure 153-8: "all\_fas\_valid"

*SuggestedRemedy*

Define "all\_fas\_valid".

My suggestion: Boolean variable that is set to true if all FEC lanes are aligned. FEC lanes are considered to be aligned when fas\_lock<x> is true for all x, frame alignment has been acquired on each FEC lane, and each FEC lane has a unique lane number. Otherwise, this variable is set to false.

Response Response Status **C**

REJECT.  
The variable "fas\_align\_status" already has this meaning.

CI 153 SC 153.2.3.3.1 P88 L43 # 62

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **R**

The frame start position and the FEC lane number shall be maintained during alignment loss to avoid problems when loss of alignment happens due to bit errors.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add sentence: "The frame start position and the FEC lane number shall be maintained during loss of alignment"

Response Response Status **C**

REJECT.  
Not sure what this means in the context of an IEEE document, as we have no variables such as "frame start position" described. During the indicated condition, FEC:IS\_SIGNAL.indication=FALSE, so information sent upwards is undefined.

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Cl 153 SC 153.2.4.2 P91 L17 # 63

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

Why is fas\_match dependent on first\_fec\_l and current\_fec\_l ? It is enough to compare to the FAS known sequence.

Also, according to ITU-T G.798 similar interfaces, it is enough to test a fixed subset of FAS bytes (3rd, 4th, 5th)

SuggestedRemedy

Replace: "fas\_match is true if fas\_valid is true for first\_fec\_l and current\_fec\_l,"

With: "fas\_match is true if the third, fourth and fifth octets match the known bits of the pattern described in 153.2.3.2.4,"

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

Since G.798 is an "add on" to a base frame alignment process originally designed for single-lane interfaces, G.798 uses a secondary process to identify the lane number that is independent of acquiring frame alignment in the first place.

As this process is only used for this particular multi-lane interface, it is described more in the manner of AM lock, where the lock to a particular lane occurs in one step.

See the response to comment 54 concerning the possible use of a two stage frame alignment process.

Cl 153 SC 153.2.4.1.1 P90 L32 # 64

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type T Comment Status R

Where is the fec\_alignment\_valid variable set ? It does not show up in the state machines.

SuggestedRemedy

Add setting of fec\_alignment\_valid to Figure 153-8, FALSE in LOSS\_OF\_ALIGNMENT state and TRUE in ALIGN\_ACQUIRED state

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The state diagram is a per-lane process. This variable is set by nature of its definition: "Boolean variable that is set to true if all FEC lanes are aligned".

So after all twenty FEC lanes are aligned, this variable becomes true. This is the same approach as other clauses (e.g., 82, 91)

Cl 153 SC 153.2.4.1.1 P90 L34 # 65

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A bucket

What is the difference between: "fas\_lock<x> is true for all x" and "frame alignment has been acquired on each FEC lane" ?

SuggestedRemedy

Remove: "frame alignment has been acquired on each FEC lane"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 153 SC 153.2.1 P82 L10 # 66

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

The SIGNAL\_OK parameter of the FEC:IS\_SIGNAL.indication primitive is driven by fec\_align\_status.

fec\_align\_status is false if any lane loses alignment, but this happens frequently due to pre-FEC high BER. According to the text in this case receiver may be impaired frequently.

SuggestedRemedy

Add persistency check of fec\_align\_status before changing SIGNAL\_OK to not OK. I suggest a 3msec persistency check to be in line with ITU-T G.798

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The behavior is consistent with other elements of the Ethernet standard. This is driven by the SC-FEC synchronization state diagram in Figure 153-7, which loses lock when fas\_bad\_count = 5, not when 3ms have transpired.

The commenter may be thinking delays between defects and alarms, which are not a concept captured in IEEE Std 802.3. The value of 5 is expected to be visited in an ad hoc.

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Cl 153 SC 153.2.4.1.1 P90 L15 # 67

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type T Comment Status R

The alignment scheme can be simplified. Also the scheme is not consistent with similar ITU-T G.798 alignment schemes for similar signals

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace: "Boolean variable that is set to true if the received 6-octet sequence is a valid frame alignment signal. The frame alignment signal consists of 40 known bits and 8 variable bits. The sequence is considered to be valid if four of the first five octets match the known bits of the pattern described in 153.2.3.2.4, and the 6th octet represents a numerical value in the range 0 to 239 with the most-significant bit transmitted first.

With: "Boolean variable that is set to true if the received 5-octet sequence is a valid frame alignment signal. The frame alignment signal consists of 40 known bits. The sequence is considered to be valid if a subset of 4 octets match the known bits of the pattern described in 153.2.3.2.4."

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The proposed remedy is not consistent with the rest of the text, which described the FAS as a 6-octet value rather than 5-octets. The text as written reflects the fact that when striping across lanes, the final octet becomes a lane identifier and hence becomes variable. But it is still part of the 6-octet FAS.

See the response to comment 54 concerning the possible use of a two stage frame alignment process.

Cl 153 SC 153.2.4.2 P91 L14 # 68

Bruckman, Leon

Huawei

Comment Type T Comment Status R

The alignment loss scheme can be simplified. Also the scheme is not consistent with similar ITU-T G.798 alignment schemes for similar signals.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace: "This function compares the values of first\_fecl and current\_fecl to determine if a valid frame alignment sequence has been detected and returns the result of the comparison using the variable fas\_match. fas\_match is true if the third, fourth and fifth octets match the known bits of the pattern described in 153.2.3.2.4, and the 6th octet of first\_fecl (interpreted with the most significant bit transmitted first) modulo 20 is equal to the 6th octet of current\_fecl (interpreted with the most significant bit transmitted first) modulo 20. Otherwise, fas\_match is false."

With: "This function compares the values of first\_fecl and current\_fecl to determine if a valid frame alignment sequence has been detected and returns the result of the comparison using the variable fas\_match. fas\_match is true if the third, fourth and fifth octets match the known bits of the pattern described in 153.2.3.2.4. Otherwise, fas\_match is false."

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The referenced G.798 process was defined as an "add on" to a base frame alignment process that was developed long before to deal with single-lane interfaces and adapted later for multi-lane interfaces, ignoring the variable bits entirely, then extracting the lane number from the variable bits and making the assumption that it matched while you were acquiring lock.

The process in this document deals only with this multi-lane interface, and is modeled after how alignment marker lock is acquired: not only must any fixed bits match, but the variable bits must match the same lane to lock onto that lane.

See the response to comment 54 concerning the possible use of a two stage frame alignment process.

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Cl 153 SC 153.2.4.4 P92 L13 # 69

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type T Comment Status A

There is no action in FAS\_COMPARE state

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add the FAS\_COMPARE function to the FAS\_COMPARE state

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add the FAS\_COMPARE function to the FAS\_COMPARE state. Change the exit transitions from FAS\_COMPARE to be "fas\_match" and "!fas\_match" rather than "fas\_valid" and "!fas\_valid"

Cl 153 SC 153.2.4.1.1 P90 L37 # 70

Bruckman, Leon Huawei

Comment Type T Comment Status R

Why is the fec\_lane variable required ? It will always be assigned the same value as first\_fec1, and it is only used in the 2\_GOOD state to set the value of the FEC\_lane\_mapping<x> MDIO indication.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove the fec\_lane variable and replace fec\_lane with first\_fec1 in th 2\_GOOD state.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

While in principle this might have been done with fewer variables, this precisely aligns with the variables defined for the same purpose in clause 91. You have a first\_fec1 and current\_fec1 which are compared while acquiring lock, and fec\_lane (and more importantly, the MDIO-mapped FEC\_lane\_mapping<x>) are set on the fas\_match transition out of COMP\_2ND.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.186ab.7 P37 L25 # 71

Trowbridge, Steve Nokia

Comment Type E Comment Status A

It is not clear to all readers why only the value "1" is supported.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add an explanatory "NOTE: The FEC states that are optional in the context of Clause 91 are mandatory in the context of Clause 152. Therefore the value of this bit is fixed at 1, since these states are always supported for Clause 152 implementations."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE

Overtaken by events, see response to comment 30.

Cl 153 SC 153.2.3.4 P85 L6 # 72

Trowbridge, Steve Nokia

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Unclear Wording

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "GMP is a generic mechanism that can accommodate arbitrary signaling rate difference between the payload and the space in which it is carried that uses a sigma/delta distribution algorithm" to "GMP is a generic mechanism that uses a sigma/delta distribution algorithm to accommodate an arbitrary signaling rate difference between a payload and the space in which it is carried"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 80 SC 80.1.4 P56 L32 # 79

D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Description for 100 GBASE-ZR states 100Gb/s PHY using 100GBASE-R encoding over one WDM lane on a DWDM system, with reach up to at least 80 km (see Clause154). There is no use of the terminology "WDM lanes" in the draft

SuggestedRemedy

Change description to 100Gb/s PHY using 100GBASE-R encoding over a single wavelength/frequency on a defined frequency grid, with reach up to at least 80 km (see Clause154).

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change existing text "100Gb/s PHY using 100GBASE-R encoding over one WDM lane on a DWDM system, with reach up to at least 80 km (see Clause154)" to read "100Gb/s PHY using 100GBASE-R encoding over one DWDM channel in each direction of transmission, with reach up to at least 80 km (see Clause 154)"

Cl 1 SC 1.5 P22 L50 # 80

D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A

SC-FEC is not defined in abbreviations

SuggestedRemedy

Add abbreviation to 1.5 SC-FEC Staircase FEC

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment 2.

Cl 154 SC 154.3.2 P102 L51 # 81

D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

the following text "Additional information on skew variation to be added." appears to be an editor's note.

SuggestedRemedy

change noted statement to an editor's note.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
See resolution to comment #44

Cl 154 SC 154.3.2 P103 L10 # 82

D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type ER Comment Status A

This comment does not appear in scope for 802.3ct. "89.7.2 needs to be updated for multi-lane implementations" Clause 89 is about 40GBASE-FR - which is not in scope for 802.3ct

SuggestedRemedy

delete noted comment

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Remove the reference to 89.7.2.  
Include an editor's note stating that the requirements for skew and skew variation at TP5 are TBD (with editorial license) to take account of the fact that there are 2 logical streams each from two incoming polarizations are skewed.

Cl 154 SC 154.6 P107 L27 # 83

D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

There is a black square in Fig 154-3 that does not appear to belong in the figure

SuggestedRemedy

delete noted black square

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 154 SC 154.2 P102 L26 # 84  
 Schmitt, Matt CableLabs  
 Comment Type E Comment Status R Bucket  
 The font (or font size) of the last paragraph in 154.2 does not seem to match the text around it.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Adjust font and/or font size as necessary to match surrounding text.  
 Response Response Status C  
 REJECT.  
 Standard font size for a NOTE

Cl 154 SC 154.6 P106 L41 # 85  
 Schmitt, Matt CableLabs  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket  
 In the first sentence of 154.6, there is the following statement: "the PHY operates at a single optical frequency (often also referred to as wavelength)". This implies that frequency and wavelength are the same and interchangeable; in reality, they are directly related but distinctly different. Therefore, the statement is arguably misleading/incorrect.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Modify that portion of the sentence to read as follows:"the PHY operates at a single optical frequency (often also referred to by it's associated wavelength)". Or something similar.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Implement the suggested remedy with editorial license.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.1 P109 L37 # 86  
 Schmitt, Matt CableLabs  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A  
 In Table 154-8, there is a TBD for "Skew between the two polarizations (max)" that needs to be resolved.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose changing "TBD" to "10" [ps] to align with ITU requirement. The contribution from John DeAndrea at the November plenary (deandrea\_3ct\_01) shows data to support the more stringent 6 ps requirement in the CableLabs PHYv1.0 spec; however, barring evidence that a relaxation to 10 ps is harmful, I propose adopting the ITU requirement. I will plan to present on this at the interim in January.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.1 P109 L43 # 87  
 Schmitt, Matt CableLabs  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A  
 In Table 154-8, there is a TBD for "Average launch power of OFF transmitter, each lane (max)" that needs to be resolved.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose changing "TBD" to "-35" [dBm] to align with other industry groups, as proposed in the contribution from John DeAndrea at the November plenary (deadrea\_3ct\_01).  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Implement proposed remedy, but remove "each lane".  
 See also resolution to comment #58.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.1 P109 L44 # 88  
 Schmitt, Matt CableLabs  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A  
 In Table 154-8, there is a TBD for "Optical return loss tolerance (max)" that needs to be resolved.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose changing "TBD" to "25" [dB] to align to CableLabs requirement, with the caveat that the calculation of this figure shall be done in the ITU manner (which is the inverse of that used in the CableLabs spec, hence the CableLabs requirement of -25 dB). That's slightly relaxed relative to the ITU requirement, and based on the presentation on reflectance by myself and Atul S. from NEL America at the call in December, this should have minimal impact on performance. Will prepare a presentation that includes this for the January interim.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Assign a value of 25dB for both the transmitter optical return loss tolerance and the black link minimum optical return loss.

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Cl 154 SC 154.7.1 P109 L46 # 89

Schmitt, Matt CableLabs

Comment Type T Comment Status A

In Table 154-8, there is a TBD for "Transmitter reflectance (max)" that needs to be resolved.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Propose changing "TBD" to "20" [dB] to align with CableLabs and OIF specifications, as was proposed in the presentation from myself and Atul S. from NEL America at the call in December. Will prepare a presentation that includes this recommendation for the January interim.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change in Table 154-8, the TBD for "Transmitter reflectance (max)" to -20.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.2 P110 L28 # 90

Schmitt, Matt CableLabs

Comment Type T Comment Status A

In Table 154-9, there is a TBD for "Receiver reflectance (max)" that needs to be resolved.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Propose changing "TBD" to "20" [dB] to align with CableLabs and OIF specifications, as was proposed in the presentation from myself and Atul S. from NEL America at the call in December. Will prepare a presentation that includes this recommendation for the January interim.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change in Table 154-9, the TBD for "Receiver reflectance (max)" to -20.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.3 P110 L52 # 91

Schmitt, Matt CableLabs

Comment Type T Comment Status R

In Table 154-10, there is a TBD for "Minimum optical return loss at TP2" that needs to be resolved.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Propose eliminating this parameter from the table (deleting the entire row). I believe this is functionally equivalent to the Tx Reflectance parameter in Table 154-8, and therefore is not needed here. I will prepare a presentation on this proposal for the January interim.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

Optical return loss at TP2 is return loss into the black link. The Tx reflectance and transmitter return loss tolerance parameters are related to the transmitter and need to be specified separately in a consistent way.

See also response to comment 88.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.3 P110 L53 # 92

Schmitt, Matt CableLabs

Comment Type T Comment Status R

In Table 154-10, there is a TBD for "Maximum discrete reflectance between TP2 and TP3" that needs to be resolved.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Propose eliminating this parameter from the table (deleting the entire row). With the combination of Tx Reflectance (Table 154-8), Return Loss Tolerance (Table 154-8), and Receiver Reflectance (154-9), this parameter is not needed and is effectively redundant. I will prepare a presentation on his proposal for the January interim.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

This parameter is intended to put restrictions on connection points (connectors, splices, etcetera) inside the black link to ensure that penalties due to reflections are minimized.

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Cl 154 SC 154.8 P111 L17 # 93

Schmitt, Matt CableLabs

Comment Type T Comment Status R

Clause 154.8 contains definitions of optical parameters and measurement methods. However, in comparing the list of optical parameters in Tables 154-8, -9, and -10 with this list, it appears that a number of parameters have no definition.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Propose adding sections for each parameter in Tables 154-8, -9, and -10, and if necessary for each where there currently isn't a definition simply listing the text as TBD in order to encourage contributions to address those gaps.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

It is not sufficiently clear for which parameters we need a definition.

An insufficient remedy has been provided with proposed editor instructions to modify the draft.

Comments are invited with specific proposals for parameter definitions.

Cl 154 SC 154.5.4 P105 L22 # 94

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Definition of "Both Lanes" is ambiguous. The lanes being referred to here should be defined.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change wording to something along the lines of "on each polarization state".

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
See resolution to comment #58

Cl 154 SC 154.6 P107 L34 # 95

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Black link loss budget does not support the full 80km reach for unamplified applications. The amplified case is the primary application, and the only application with all parameters defined. This should be noted in the Black Link description.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Note that the primary application is amplified, as the unamplified case will not reach 80km based on the Tx power and Rx power specs, along to fiber loss.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Clause 154.6 is intended to clarify how a black link works.

It is proposed to add the following note to Tables 154-8 and 154-9:  
"This parameter is not necessary to support amplified DWDM links up to at least 80 km of SMF, but has been added to allow operation on unamplified links."  
For the following parameters:  
Transmitter OSNR(193.6) (min)  
Minimum average input power [unamplified]  
Minimum OSNR(193.6) [unamplified]

See also resolution to comment #99.

Add clarifying text to the beginning of 154.7 with editorial license.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.1 P109 L43 # 96

Maniloff, Eric Ciena

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The Tx power being referred to here is for Tx disabled.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change Description text to "disabled transmitter".

Proposed Response Response Status Z

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

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Cl 154 SC 154.8.12 P113 L5 # 97

Maniloff, Eric

Ciena

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Text reading "defines the range over which the requirement for OSNR(193.6) needs to be met" is misleading. This applies to 154.8.13 as well.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change wording to "defines the input power range over which the BER requirement must be met at the minimum OSNR defined by OSNR(193.6)".

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Apply suggested remedy in 154.8.12 and 154.8.13.

Cl 154 SC 154.8.14 P113 L17 # 98

Maniloff, Eric

Ciena

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Power range for OSNR measurement is not specified.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add text indicating that OSNR requirement must be met over power range as specified in Table 154-9

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the text of 154.8.14 to:

"The OSNR(193.6) [amplified] shall be within the limit given in Table 154-9 over the average input power [amplified] range specified in Table 154-9 for a black link that contains optical amplifiers."

Cl 154 SC 154.8.15 P113 L24 # 99

Maniloff, Eric

Ciena

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Text reading " with likely shorter links than 80 km" is awkward.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change wording to "The requirement for OSNR(193.6) [unamplified] is intended to specify usage of the same receiver for unamplified applications. DWDM channel loss will likely limit the maximum reach of these applications to less than the 80km maximum reach specified."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the wording of 154.8.15 to:

"The requirement for OSNR(193.6) [unamplified] is intended to specify usage of the same receiver for unamplified applications. The associated channel loss will likely limit the maximum reach of these applications to less than 80km specified for amplified applications."

Cl 154 SC 154.7.1 P109 L25 # 100

Zhang, Bo

Inphi

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

Similar to receiver characteristics spec table, suggest separate the average channel output power to amplified and unamplified cases.

*SuggestedRemedy*

average channel output power [amplified] (min): -10dBm. Average channel output power [unamplified] (min): -8dBm @193.6THz

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The specified transmitter optical power ranges should support both amplified and unamplified cases.

See also resolution to comment #95

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Cl 154 SC 154.7.1 P109 L46 # 101

Zhang, Bo Inphi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Suggest fill in the value instead of TBD. In line with recent presentation ([http://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf\\_interim/19\\_1219/schmitt\\_3ct\\_01\\_191219.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/19_1219/schmitt_3ct_01_191219.pdf)) which we are in support of.

SuggestedRemedy  
-20dB'

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment #89.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.2 P110 L28 # 102

Zhang, Bo Inphi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Suggest fill in the value instead of TBD. In line with recent presentation ([http://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf\\_interim/19\\_1219/schmitt\\_3ct\\_01\\_191219.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/19_1219/schmitt_3ct_01_191219.pdf)) which we are in support of.

SuggestedRemedy  
-20dB'

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment #90.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.186an P45 L29 # 103

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

The following sentence seems quite clumsy "Registers 1.2280, 1.2281, 1.2282, and 1.2283 are used to read the 64-bit counter value, the register 1.2280 is read first, the values of registers 1.2281, 1.2282 and 1.2283 are latched when (and only when) register 1.2280 is read, and reads of registers 1.2281, 1.2282, and 1.2283 return the latched value rather than the current value of the counter."

SuggestedRemedy

Suggest splitting into at least two sentences, perhaps something like "Registers 1.2280, 1.2281, 1.2282, and 1.2283 are used to read the 64-bit counter value. Register 1.2280 is read first and the values of registers 1.2281, 1.2282 and 1.2283 are latched when (and only when) register 1.2280 is read. Reads of registers 1.2281, 1.2282, and 1.2283 always return the latched value rather than the current value of the counter."

Suggest using similar language for the description of other 32-bit and 64-bit counters in this section.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment 48.

Cl 80 SC 80.1.3 P48 L10 # 104

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

Need to update the text of list item h to be consistent with changes made by 802.3cu

SuggestedRemedy

Change "The MDIs as specified in Clause 89 for 40GBASE-FR, Clause 140 for 100GBASE-DR, and Clause 154 for 100GBASE-ZR use a single lane data path."  
to  
"The MDIs as specified in Clause 89 for 40GBASE-FR, Clause 140 for 100GBASE-DR, 100GBASE-FR1, and 100GBASE-LR1, and Clause 154 for 100GBASE-ZR use a single lane data path."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment 19.

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Cl 80 SC 80.1.5 P49 L6 # 105

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status A Bucket

Table 80-4b should only have PMD columns for 100GBASE-ZR. Basically this table should be consistent with Table 154-1.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the following columns...

- 100GBASE-SR10 PMD
- CPPI
- 100GBASE-LR4 PMD
- 100GBASE-ER4 PMD
- 100GBASE-SR4 PMD

Also remove all underlying in the table. This is a new table and you are not updating an existing table (so no need for strickthrough or underline)

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 80 SC 80.2.3 P49 L42 # 106

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

The editing instruction states "...as changed by IEEE Std 802.3cd-2018 and IEEE Std 802.3cu-xx", but the text does not include the changes made by 802.3cu.

SuggestedRemedy

Please include the changes made by 802.3cu, specifically reference to the 100GBASE-FR1 and 100GBASE-LR1 PMDs (see 802.3cu D1.1).

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add the new FR1 and LR1 PHYs from 802.3cu changing the existing text "100GBASE-DR, and 100GBASE-ZR PHYs" to read "100GBASE-DR, 100GBASE-FR1, 100GBASE-LR1 and 100GBASE-ZR PHYs"

Cl 80 SC 80.3.2 P49 L27 # 107

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

The editing instruction states "Change the first sentence of the second paragraph of 80.3.2 as follows:", but there are no changes indicated in the following text (i.e. no strickthrough and no underline".

SuggestedRemedy

Please identify the changes to the text with strickthrough and/or underline.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment 20.

Cl 80 SC 80.3.2 P49 L28 # 108

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status A Bucket

"Examples of inter-sublayer service interfaces for 40GBASE-R, 100GBASE-R, and 100GBASE-P ...". I thought we were adding a new 100GBASE-Z PHY type (see Table 80-4b), so shouldn't this be included in the list ?

SuggestedRemedy

Add reference to the 100GBASE-Z PHY

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment 20.

Cl 80 SC 80.1 P48 L3 # 109

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Don't we need to update Figure 80-1 to show the stack for a 100GBASE-Z PHY ?

SuggestedRemedy

Update Figure 80-1 to show the 100GBASE-Z PHY stackup.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In Figure 80-1 change "100GBASE-R or 100GBASE-P" to read "100GBASE-R, 100GBASE-P, or 100GBASE-Z"

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Cl 80 SC 80.1.4 P48 L15 # 110

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Rather than changing the description for 100GBASE-R to add DP\_DQPSQ modulation, don't we need to add a new description below 100GBASE-P to describe the new 100GBASE-Z PHY type we are defining (see Table 80-4b). ?

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete the current editing instruction and add to new editing instruction to add a description of 100GBASE-Z just below the current description for 100GBASE-P.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete reference and proposed modifications to the sixth paragraph of 80.1.4. Add new 8th paragraph to 80.1.4 stating "100GBASE-Z represents a family of Physical Layer devices using the Clause 82 Physical Coding Sublayer for 100 Gb/s operation over multiple PCS lanes (see Clause 82) and a PMD implementing DP-DQPSK modulation. Some 100GBASE-Z Physical Layer devices also use the transcoding and FEC of Clause 91, the FEC of Clause 153, or the FEC of Clause 74."

Cl 80 SC 80.4 P51 L49 # 111

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status A Bucket

Table 80-5 is being updated by 802.3ct

*SuggestedRemedy*

Update editing instruction to reflect the changes to Table 80-5 made by 802.3ct. The simplest way to do this might be to just show the new rows being added (with unchanged rows now shown). That way you should be independent from any changes made in 3ct.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Update the editing instructions to reference the changes made by 802.3cu and include 100GBASE-FR1 and 100GBASE-LR1 in the table.

Cl 152 SC 152.1.1 P58 L12 # 112

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status A

"This sublayer is used in cases where the Reed-Solomon FEC specified in Clause 91 is used across a chip-to-chip or chip-to-module interface and the 100GBASE-ZR FEC specified in Clause 153 is used between the PMD sublayers of two connected 100GBASE-ZR PHYs."

I thought we had agreed in Hawaii to remove the reference to 100GBASE-ZR in order to make the clause generic (and not specific to only 100GBASE-ZR) ?

*SuggestedRemedy*

Update scope description to remove reference to 100GBASE-ZR and make the clause generic so that it can be used for other PHYs as well.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
See response to comment #16

Cl 152 SC 152.1.2 P59 L36 # 113

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Figure 152-1 makes Clause 152 specific to the 100GBASE-ZR FEC and PMA.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Update the figure to make the Inverse RS-FEC sublayer generic (similar to what was down in Figure 91-1 in Clause 91), and update any other related text in the clause as necessary.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
See response to comment #16

Cl 152 SC 152.5.1 P61 L46 # 114

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status A bucket

Figure 152-2 shows a FEC sublayer below the Inverse RS-FEC sublayer. In the spirit of keeping the description generic I would suggest also including PMA as an option.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Update Figure 152-2 to also show PMA as an option below the Inverse RS-FEC sublayer.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
See response to comment #32

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Cl 153 SC 153.3.2.2.1 P95 L38 # 115

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status A bucket

"..in this manner operates at a signaling rate of  $(255/227) \times 24.8832 \text{ Gb/s} \pm 20 \text{ ppm}$  .."

*SuggestedRemedy*

Recommend doing the math and including the aggregate signalling rate (as was done in section 153.3.1), so

change:

"signaling rate of  $(255/227) \times 24.8832 \text{ Gb/s} \pm 20 \text{ ppm}$ "

to:

"signaling rate of  $(255/227) \times 24.8832 \text{ Gb/s} \pm 20 \text{ ppm}$  (~ 27.9525 Gb/s)

Also in section 153.3.1 (page 94, line 49) we use "GBd" , whereas in this section we switch to using "Gb/s". Suggest being consistent throughout the clause. Given that the earlier description talks about 'bit streams" I would recommend using "Gb/s" .

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement remedy to comment #56.

In the final paragraph on page 94, replace GBd with Gb/s (2 occurrences).

Cl 153 SC 153.3.2.2.2 P95 L51 # 116

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type E Comment Status A bucket

"..The signaling rate of each stream of DQPSK symbols is  $(255/227) \times 24.8832 \text{ GBd} \pm 20 \text{ ppm}$ ."

*SuggestedRemedy*

Recommend doing the math and including the aggregate signalling rate (as was done in section 153.3.1), so

change:

"signaling rate of of each stream of DQPSK symbols is  $(255/227) \times 24.8832 \text{ GBd} \pm 20 \text{ ppm}$ "

to:

"signaling rate of of each stream of DQPSK symbols is  $(255/227) \times 24.8832 \text{ GBd} \pm 20 \text{ ppm}$  (~ 27.9525 GBd)"

Note, since we are referring to QPSK symbols here, GBd is the correct terminology this time. .

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 154 SC 154.7.3 P110 L39 # 117

Nicholl, Gary Cisco Systems

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The maximum chromatic dispersion in Table 154-10 is 2400 ps/nm". This corresponds to a distance of 120km, which is 50% greater than the 80km objective for this PHY. Requiring the PHY to operate over a reach 50% greater than the target objective could add cost and power to the solution , and compromise the BMP and EF.

I would also note that the OIF 400ZR specification has a chromatic dispersion spec of 2400 ps/nm, which is consistent with it's reach objective of 120km.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the maximum chromatic dispersion in Table 154-10 from 2400 ps/nm to 1600 ps/nm , to be consistent with an 80 km reach objective.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

A Straw Poll was taken:

I support changing the value from 2,400ps/nm to 1,600ps/nm at this meeting:

Y - 17

N - 5

Implement the suggested remedy.