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IEEE P802.3cx D2.1 ITSA Task Force 1st Working Group recirculation ballot comments

CI **FM** SC **FM** P1 L10 # 253  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 Remove this symbol  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "#6" to "6"  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

CI **FM** SC **FM** P1 L29 # 291  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 typo - 802.3ds should be 802.3cs  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change 802.3ds to 802.3cs  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

CI **FM** SC **FM** P1 L35 # 292  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 copyright date should be 2021, not 2017  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 change 2017 to 2021  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

CI **FM** SC **FM** P1 L35 # 254  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 2017?  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 2021?  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

CI **FM** SC **FM** P1 L35 # 329  
 Grow, Robert RMG Consulting  
 Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **X**  
 The copyright year is wrong. This draft was produced in 2021, this apparently is not updated with the FrameMaker copyright variable.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 When creating next draft update copyright year to 2022 or to take date from updated FrameMaker variable. Assure that the next draft has the correct 2022 copyright year here, on page 2, and in footers for all clauses.  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

CI **FM** SC **FM** P1 L35 # 424  
 Huber, Tom Nokia  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 Copyright date should be 2021  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change 2017 to 2021.  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

CI **FM** SC **FM** P3 L1 # 299  
 Marris, Arthur Cadence Design Systems  
 Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **X**  
 Tidy up wording of the abstract  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change: "This amendment to IEEE Std 802.3-202x modifies Clause 90 and adds Annex 90A to enhance support for time synchronization protocols to provide optional sub-nanosecond reporting of the transmit and receive path delays, selection of timing reference point, and dynamic reporting of path delay variation."  
 To: "This amendment to IEEE Std 802.3-202x modifies Clause 90 and adds Annex 90A to enhance support for time synchronization protocols by providing options for sub-nanosecond reporting of the transmit and receive path delays, for selection of the timing reference point, and for dynamic reporting of path delay variation."  
 Also use this identical text to describe IEEE Std 802.3cx-202x on page 13 line 28  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**



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Cl 00 SC 0 P0 L0 # 327

Grow, Robert RMG Consulting

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

The ballot package for D2.1 is invalid (as was the ballot package for D2.0). The approved documents were not posted to the TF home web page as promised in the response to initial WG ballot comment #223. One has to assume that the draft CSD and PAR links included in the ballot announcement were approved by the EC (CSD) and SASB (PAR) without modification.

SuggestedRemedy

Post the approved PAR, CSD, and Objectives. Recirculate with approved documents pointed to in the ballot package, and or linked on the TF home page.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 00 SC 0 P1 L1 # 410

D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, US Subsidiary off Huawei

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

This is a pile-on to comment #224. There is no way to judge this draft as there is no metric in the noted ITU-T Recommendation G.8273.2 that the draft can be judged against. The response to comment #224 states - "The goal of P802.3cx TF is to improve timestamping accuracy to allow satisfaction of ITU G.8273.2 performance targets." This statement is clearly incorrect, as there are no performance targets to be measured against. Furthermore, it states that no changes to the draft are needed. Until a clear objective is determined that can be quantifiable, this statement is incorrect. Once a quantifiable objective is determined, then the draft can be evaluated for changes.

SuggestedRemedy

Establish an objective which is a metric that is quantifiable and can be evaluated. Once this is done the entire draft needs to be re-evaluated to ensure that a new goal has been met.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 00 SC 0 P1 L1 # 411

D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, US Subsidiary off Huawei

Comment Type ER Comment Status X

The PAR noted in the Ballot announcement is not the final approved PAR. It is only the PAR that was submitted to the 802 EC for consideration. The final approved PAR should be noted to allow judgement of the draft.

SuggestedRemedy

Post the PAR that was approved by the IEEE SA Standards Board for this project and use in future ballots.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 00 SC 0 P1 L1 # 412

D'Ambrosia, John Futurewei, US Subsidiary off Huawei

Comment Type ER Comment Status X

The CSD noted in the Ballot announcement is the CSD that was submitted to 802 EC for consideration and approval, but it is not the final format of the CSD.

SuggestedRemedy

The 802 EC approved CSD document is <https://mentor.ieee.org/802-ec/dcn/19/ec-19-0220-00-ACSD-p802-3cx.pdf>. Please update webpage and use in future ballots.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 00 SC 0 P3 L3 # 303

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

This is for text that exists in the Abstract.

The "timing reference point" is not selected by 802.3cx. It is the "data delay measurement point" which is selected by 802.3cx.

NOTE: The only use of the term "timing reference point" in 802.3 is in NOTE 1 of subclause 90.7, where its meaning is equivalent to IEEE 1588's "reference plane", which is the location in the PHY where the timestamp is meant to be captured (i.e., the MDI).

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "timing reference point" with "data delay measurement point" in the Abstract.

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 00 SC 0 P13 L28 # 346

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Same comment as given for Abstract

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "modifies Clause 90 and adds Annex 90A to enhance support for time synchronization protocols to provide optional sub-nanosecond reporting of the transmit and receive path delays, selection of timing reference point, and dynamic reporting of path delay variation."

with

"modifies Clause 30, Clause 45, Clause 90 and adds Annex 90A to improve accuracy of time synchronization by providing optional sub-nanosecond reporting of the transmit and receive path delays, selection of timing reference point, and dynamic reporting of path delay variation."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 00 SC 0 P13 L30 # 304

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

This is for text that exists in the Introduction.

The "timing reference point" is not selected by 802.3cx. It is the "data delay measurement point" which is selected by 802.3cx.

NOTE: The only use of the term "timing reference point" in 802.3 is in NOTE 1 of subclause 90.7, where its meaning is equivalent to IEEE 1588's "reference plane", which is the location in the PHY where the timestamp is meant to be captured (i.e., the MDI).

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "timing reference point" with "data delay measurement point" in the Introduction.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 00 SC 0 P23 L # 275

Wienckowski, Natalie General Motors

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Delete empty pages

SuggestedRemedy

Delete pages 23, 48, and 66.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30 P18 L0 # 274

Wienckowski, Natalie General Motors

Comment Type E Comment Status X

The header in the Clause 30 file needs to be updated

SuggestedRemedy

Change: Draft Amendment to IEEE Std 802.3-2018  
To: Draft Amendment to IEEE Std 802.3-202x

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.1 P18 L21 # 348

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Missing "and" in the list

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "1800.1," with "1800.1, and " in lines 21-26

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.2 P18 L44 # 347  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Typo error; 1800.1 instead of 1800.0 with reference to "TimeSync receive path data delay" in the list  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "1800.1," with "1800.0, and " in lines 44-50  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.3 P19 L11 # 349  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "sum of the values of the registers" can create confusion since the two register sets (set 1 = values in ns, set 2 = sub-ns) are to be added and not the 3 registers listed below.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "registers" with "register sets"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.2 P18 L44 # 305  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 For PMA/PMD, the register should be 1.1800.0 instead of 1.1800.1.  
 The same error exists for WIS, PCS, PHY XS, DTE XS, and TC in the following rows.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change register from 1.1800.1 to 1.1800.0 for PMA/PMD.  
 Make similar corrections for WIS, PCS, PHY XS, DTE XS, and TC in the following rows.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.4 P19 L34 # 350  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "sum of the values of the registers" can create confusion since the two register sets (set 1 = values in ns, set 2 = sub-ns) are to be added and not the 3 registers listed below.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "registers" with "register sets"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.2 P18 L44 # 413  
 He, Xiang Huawei Technologies  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status X  
 The register 1.1800.1 should be 1.1800.0, similar typo for line 45-51  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace the 1.1800.1, 2.1800.1 3.1800.1, 4.1800.1, 5.1800.1, 6.1800.1 in line 44 - 49 with 1.1800.0, 2.1800.0, 3.1800.0, 4.1800.0, 5.1800.0 and 6.1800.0.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.5 P20 L3 # 351  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "sum of the values of the registers" can create confusion since the two register sets (set 1 = values in ns, set 2 = sub-ns) are to be added and not the 3 registers listed below.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "registers" with "register sets"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.6 P20 L26 # 352

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

"sum of the values of the registers" can create confusion since the two register sets (set 1 = values in ns, set 2 = sub-ns) are to be added and not the 3 registers listed below.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "registers" with "register sets"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.7 P20 L38 # 353

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

This is no longer valid/applicable since 1800.15, 1800.14 bits in all MMDs are now reserved in draft 2.1.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete 30.13.1.7

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.7 P20 L44 # 294

Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

"Capable of operating according to IEEE Std 802.3-2018 Clause 90 TimeSync model" the differences between the models are not defined here, and, moreover, referencing the model to 802.3-2018 not only removes the specification from this document, but removes any ability for future maintenance should it be needed. According to the behaviour, the difference appears to be whether the new options (sub-nsec accuracy) is enabled. This should be the description.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "according to IEEE Std 802.3-2018 Clause 90 TimeSync model", to "according to IEEE Std 802.3 Clause 90 TimeSync without sub-ns-resolution data delay."

Change "according to IEEE Std 802.3 Clause 90 TimeSync model" to "according to IEEE Std 802.3 Clause 90 TimeSync with sub-ns-resolution data delay."

Consider change names of APPROPRIATE SYNTAX to better reflect the function.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.7 P20 L44 # 272

Wienckowski, Natalie General Motors

Comment Type ER Comment Status X

Comment #221 on D2.0 said to remove references to IEEE Std 802.3-2018. This was done in Clause 45, but was missed in Clause 30.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: 8023bf Capable of operating according to IEEE Std 802.3-2018, Clause 90 TimeSync model

8023cx Capable of operating according to IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 90 TimeSync model

To: 8023bf Not capable of sub-ns-resolution

8023cx Capable of sub-ns-resolution

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.7 P21 L1 # 295

Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

Bits x.1800.15 and x.1800.14 (x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6) are reserved bits. I believe bits .2 and .3 are intended.

SuggestedRemedy

Change x.1800.15 and x.1800.14 to x.1800.3 and x.1800.2 (x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) on lines 1 and 4.

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Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.7 P21 L1 # 306

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

The register bits X.1800.15 and X.1800.14 were removed in this draft. The 802.3bf and 802.3cx modes in subclause 30.13.1.7 now need to be based on other registers.

SuggestedRemedy

The 802.3bf and 802.3cx modes could be based on the following registers:  
 -all the fine resolution path data delay ability registers in the PMA/PMD, WIS, PCS, PHY XS, DTE XS, and TC  
 -first symbol after SFD data delay measurement point ability registers in the PCS and DTE XS  
 -multilane support register in the PCS  
 -TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE support register in the PCS

Then:  
 -802.3bf TimeSync model is supported if the OR of the registers listed above is equal to FALSE.  
 -802.3cx TimeSync model is supported if the OR of the registers listed above is equal to TRUE.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.7 P22 L26 # 354

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

last row in Table 30-6 redundant if above comment is accepted

SuggestedRemedy

Delete last row of Table 30-6

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45 P0 L0 # 328

Grow, Robert RMG Consulting

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Having had time to review, my D2.0 comments #201 through #207 are satisfied.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove #201 through #207 from the next unsatisfied comment report.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1 P24 L16 # 355

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Title of registers can be made consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-3 as follows  
 1.1801 through 1.1804 TimeSync PMA/PMD transmit path data delay in ns  
 45.2.1.176  
 1.1805 through 1.1808 TimeSync PMA/PMD receive path data delay in ns  
 45.2.1.177  
 1.1809 through 1.1810 TimeSync PMA/PMD transmit path data delay in fractional ns  
 45.2.1.176  
 1.1811 through 1.1812 TimeSync PMA/PMD receive path data delay in fractional ns  
 45.2.1.177

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.175 P24 L25 # 425

Huber, Tom Nokia

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Missing an editorial instruction regarding this clause

SuggestedRemedy

Add an editing instruction: Change the text of subclause 45.2.1.175 as shown

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.175 P24 L28 # 356

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

typo error in paragraph;

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "transmit data delay" with "transmit path data delay";  
 Replace "receive data delay" with "receive path data delay";

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.175 P24 L29 # 296

Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,

Comment Type T Comment Status X

"(in ns-resolution registers 1.1801 through 1.1804 and, separately, in sub-ns-resolution registers..." makes it appear that the name of the registers is "ns-resolution" and "sub-ns-resolution" when, in fact, that isn't the name. this needs to be reworded more clearly. Note - this same text shows up twice in this subclause and then later in 45.2.2.20, 45.2.4.28, 45.2.5.28, and 45.2.6.14. The text in the tables is a bit clearer, so perhaps it is just the hyphenation and the statement that the values are "in registers" would clarify...

SuggestedRemedy

Suggest, change "(in ns-resolution registers 1.1801 through 1.1804 and, separately, in sub-ns-resolution registers 1.1809" to "(in ns resolution in registers 1.1801 through 1.1804 and, separately, in sub-ns resolution in registers 1.1809"... and similar in the other sections.

Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.175 P24 L43 # 258

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

Comment Type E Comment Status X

In the text "with sub-ns-resolution in", sub-ns-resolution is not a compound adjective, but a compound adjective and a noun.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the second hyphen: "with sub-ns resolution". Similarly at lines 45, 48, 50, 45.2.2.20 and 45.2.3.67

Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.175 P25 L5 # 314

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

The PMA/PMD fine resolution Tx/Rx path data delay capability register bit names were appended with the word "ability" in the last WG ballot comment resolution. The normal resolution PMA/PMD Tx/Rx path data delay capability register bit names should likewise be appended with the word "ability" to make them consistent.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "TimeSync transmit path data delay" to "TimeSync transmit path data delay ability".

Change "TimeSync receive path data delay" to "TimeSync receive path data delay ability"

Also make this change for WIS, PCS, PHY XS, DTE XS, and TC.

Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.176 P25 L26 # 357

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "and fine resolution transmit path data delay"

Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.176 P25 L33 # 259

Dawe, Piers Nvidia

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Style guide: use the same name for something, every time. "the integer nanoseconds portion of the maximum PMA/PMD transmit path data delay, in units of ns" uses two names

SuggestedRemedy

Change "units of ns" to "units of nanoseconds" or "units of 1 ns", several times. "units of 2^-16 ns" can stay as it is.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.176 P25 L35 # 330

Nicholl, Shawn

Xilinx

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Currently says "the register", but mentions two register; Also, the style of text is different from the style earlier in the paragraph.

SuggestedRemedy

Propose to replace with:

- (Registers 1.1800.1 and 1.1800.3, see Table 45-139)

Same comment for other text in 45.2.1.176 and in sub-clauses 45.2.1.177, 45.2.2.21, 45.2.2.22, 45.2.3.68, 45.2.3.69, 45.2.4.29, 45.2.4.30, 45.2.5.29, 45.2.5.30, 45.2.6.15, 45.2.6.16.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.176 P26 L8 # 358

Kabra, Lokesh

Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Names be made more consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-140 as follows

- 1.1801.15:0 Maximum PMA/PMD transmit path data delay in ns, lower PMA\_PMD\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[15:0]
- 1.1802.15:0 Maximum PMA/PMD transmit path data delay in ns, upper PMA\_PMD\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[31:0]
- 1.1803.15:0 Minimum PMA/PMD transmit path data delay in ns, lower PMA\_PMD\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[15:0]
- 1.1804.15:0 Minimum PMA/PMD transmit path data delay in ns, upper PMA\_PMD\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[31:0]
- 1.1809.15:0 Maximum PMA/PMD transmit path data delay in sub-ns PMA\_PMD\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_max[15:0]
- 1.1810.15:0 Minimum PMA/PMD transmit path data delay in sub-ns PMA\_PMD\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_min[15:0]

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.177 P26 L35 # 359

Kabra, Lokesh

Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "and fine resolution receive path data delay"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.177 P27 L11 # 360

Kabra, Lokesh

Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Names be made more consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-141 as follows

- 1.1805.15:0 Maximum PMA/PMD receive path data delay in ns, lower PMA\_PMD\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[15:0]
- 1.1806.15:0 Maximum PMA/PMD receive path data delay in ns, upper PMA\_PMD\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[31:0]
- 1.1807.15:0 Minimum PMA/PMD receive path data delay in ns, lower PMA\_PMD\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[15:0]
- 1.1808.15:0 Minimum PMA/PMD receive path data delay in ns, upper PMA\_PMD\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[31:0]
- 1.1811.15:0 Maximum PMA/PMD receive path data delay in sub-ns PMA\_PMD\_delay\_sub-ns\_RX\_max[15:0]
- 1.1812.15:0 Minimum PMA/PMD receive path data delay in sub-ns PMA\_PMD\_delay\_sub-ns\_RX\_min[15:0]

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.2 P27 L39 # 361

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Title of registers can be made consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-213 as follows

2.1801 through 2.1804 TimeSync WIS transmit path data delay in ns  
45.2.2.21

2.1805 through 2.1808 TimeSync WIS receive path data delay in ns  
45.2.2.22

2.1809 through 2.1810 TimeSync WIS transmit path data delay in fractional ns  
45.2.2.21

2.1811 through 2.1812 TimeSync WIS receive path data delay in fractional ns  
45.2.2.22

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.2.20 P27 L53 # 310

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

"PMA/PMD" should be "WIS"

SuggestedRemedy

Change

"The TimeSync WIS capability register (see Table45–230) indicates the capability of the PMA/PMD to..."

to

"The TimeSync WIS capability register (see Table45–230) indicates the capability of the WIS to..."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.2.20 P27 L54 # 362

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

typo error in paragraph

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "transmit data delay" with "transmit path data delay";  
Replace "receive data delay" with "receive path data delay";

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.2.21 P28 L43 # 363

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "and fine resolution transmit path data delay"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.2.21 P29 L20 # 364

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Names be made more consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-231 as follows

2.1801.15:0 Maximum WIS transmit path data delay in ns, lower  
WIS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[15:0]

2.1802.15:0 Maximum WIS transmit path data delay in ns, upper  
WIS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[31:0]

2.1803.15:0 Minimum WIS transmit path data delay in ns, lower  
WIS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[15:0]

2.1804.15:0 Minimum WIS transmit path data delay in ns, upper  
WIS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[31:0]

2.1809.15:0 Maximum WIS transmit path data delay in sub-ns WIS\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_max[15:0]

2.1810.15:0 Minimum WIS transmit path data delay in sub-ns WIS\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_min[15:0]

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.2.22 P29 L44 # 365  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete "and fine resolution receive path data delay"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.2.22 P30 L20 # 366  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Names be made more consistent  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Modify the existing lines in Table 45-232 as follows  
 2.1805.15:0 Maximum WIS receive path data delay in ns, lower WIS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[15:0]  
 2.1806.15:0 Maximum WIS receive path data delay in ns, upper WIS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[31:0]  
 2.1807.15:0 Minimum WIS receive path data delay in ns, lower WIS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[15:0]  
 2.1808.15:0 Minimum WIS receive path data delay in ns, upper WIS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[31:0]  
 2.1811.15:0 Maximum WIS receive path data delay in sub-ns WIS\_delay\_sub-ns\_RX\_max[15:0]  
 2.1812.15:0 Minimum WIS receive path data delay in sub-ns WIS\_delay\_sub-ns\_RX\_min[15:0]  
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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3 P30 L44 # 367  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Title of registers can be made consistent  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Modify the existing lines in Table 45-233 as follows  
 3.1801 through 3.1804 TimeSync PCS transmit path data delay in ns 45.2.3.68  
 3.1805 through 3.1808 TimeSync PCS receive path data delay in ns 45.2.3.69  
 3.1809 through 3.1810 TimeSync PCS transmit path data delay in fractional ns 45.2.3.68  
 3.1811 through 3.1812 TimeSync PCS receive path data delay in fractional ns 45.2.3.69  
 3.1813 TimeSync PCS configuration 45.2.3.69a  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67 P31 L29 # 331  
 Nicholl, Shawn Xilinx  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Currently says "support the report of" in two places.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose to change to:  
 - "support the reporting of".  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67 P31 L29 # 368  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Syntax to be corrected  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace the "the report of" with "the reporting of" in both the sentences (line 29, 31)  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.1 P32 L8 # 414

He, Xiang Huawei Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

The sentence "When read as a one, bit 3.1800.13 indicates that the PCS supports the use of the beginning of the SFD as the data delay measurement point to calculate the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values" has the implication that the measurement point is only used to calculate the dynamic delay by TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE. But the fact is the static data delay (e.g., the reported maximum/minimum data delay) and the multi-PCS lane dynamic data delay are also reported based on the same measurement point.

Propose to make this sentence to cover both static and dynamic delay measurement.

If this comment is accepted, do the similar change for the second paragraph of 45.2.3.67.1, and the first and second paragraphs of 45.2.3.67.2, 45.2.5.28.1 and 45.2.5.28.2.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the sentence

"When read as a one, bit 3.1800.13 indicates that the PCS supports the use of the beginning of the SFD as the data delay measurement point to calculate the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values."

to

"When read as a one, bit 3.1800.13 indicates that the PCS supports the use of the beginning of the SFD as the data delay measurement point to calculate the PCS transmit path data delay."

Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.1 P32 L15 # 415

He, Xiang Huawei Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

The sentence "This bit is only valid when the TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE support bit in this register (3.1800.10) is set to 'PCS supports TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE indication capability'." implies that the measurement point is only valid when the TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE is valid. However, the static data delay (e.g., the reported maximum/minimum data delay) and the multi-PCS lane dynamic data delay are also reported based on the measurement point (3.1800.13). For implementations not supporting the TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE indication capability, the measurement point could still be valid, which is used for the measurement of other delays.

Propose to delete this sentence.

If this comment is accepted, do the similar change for the third paragraph of 45.2.3.67.2.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the sentence on page 32, line 15-16.

Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.1 P32 L15 # 369

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Why cant this capability independantly exist for implementations in which XX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE capability is not present? Implementations can still get better accurate timestamping with this capability than the default. Moreover, in some cases/modes like 1000BASE-X, dynamic data path delay may not exist at all in PCS layer.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete 3rd paragraph

Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.1 P32 L18 # 417

He, Xiang Huawei Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

The sentence "When both registers 3.1800.12 and 3.1800.13 are zero, the location of the data delay measurement point is the beginning of the SFD" describes the case that both of registers are zero. For other cases where either of 3.1800.12 or 3.1800.13 is not zero, it's better to add one sentence saying the measurement point is decided by the value of the register 3.1813.13.

If the proposal is accepted, do the similar change for the fourth paragraph of 45.2.3.67.2, and the third paragraph of 45.2.5.28.1 and 45.2.5.28.2.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add one sentence at the end,

"For other cases, the location of the data delay measurement point is the value of the register 3.1813.13."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.1 P32 L18 # 416

He, Xiang Huawei Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

The sentence "When both registers 3.1800.12 and 3.1800.13 are zero, the location of the data delay measurement point is the beginning of the SFD" can be contradictory with the configuration of register 3.1813.13, where,  
 0 = PCS is configured to use the data delay measurement point at the beginning of the SFD  
 1 = PCS is configured to use the data delay measurement point at the beginning of the first symbol after the SFD

For example, if both 3.1800.12 and 3.1800.13 are zero, meaning the measurement point is the benning of the SFD; 3.1813.13 could be set to 1 (the first symbole after the SFD). To avod this, a new sentence can be added that reads "and the value of the register 3.1813.13 is ignored."

If the proposal is accepted, do the similar change for the fourth paragraph of 45.2.3.67.2, and the third paragraph of 45.2.5.28.1 and 45.2.5.28.2.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the sentence

"When both registers 3.1800.12 and 3.1800.13 are zero, the location of the data delay measurement point is the beginning of the SFD."

to

"When both registers 3.1800.12 and 3.1800.13 are zero, the location of the data delay measurement point is the beginning of the SFD, and the value of the register 3.1813.13 is ignored."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.2 P32 L31 # 370

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Same argument as previous comment above

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete 3rd paragraph

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.3 P32 L39 # 371  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 missing "the"  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "supports measurement of" with "supports the measurement of"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.8 P33 L31 # 308  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "(3.1805 and 3.1808)." should be "(3.1805 through 3.1808)."  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 change as indicated in comment  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.3 P32 L41 # 372  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 missing "the"  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "not support measurement of" with "not support the measurement of"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.68 P33 L43 # 373  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete "and fine resolution transmit path data delay"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.4 P32 L45 # 260  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Don't use a delimiter within a name. Registers often apply to both Tx and Rx and we don't usually (ever?) spell it out, because that's normal.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete "TX/RX\_" in this name, throughout the document  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.68 P34 L19 # 374  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Names be made more consistent  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Modify the existing lines in Table 45-294 as follows  
 3.1801.15:0 Maximum PCS transmit path data delay in ns, lower PCS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[15:0]  
 3.1802.15:0 Maximum PCS transmit path data delay in ns, upper PCS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[31:0]  
 3.1803.15:0 Minimum PCS transmit path data delay in ns, lower PCS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[15:0]  
 3.1804.15:0 Minimum PCS transmit path data delay in ns, upper PCS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[31:0]  
 3.1809.15:0 Maximum PCS transmit path data delay in sub-ns PCS\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_max[15:0]  
 3.1810.15:0 Minimum PCS transmit path data delay in sub-ns PCS\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_min[15:0]  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.67.8 P33 L28 # 307  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "(3.1805 and 3.1808)." should be "(3.1805 through 3.1808)."  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 change as indicated in comment  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69 P34 L42 # 375  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete "and fine resolution receive path data delay"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69 P35 L19 # 376  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Names be made more consistent  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Modify the existing lines in Table 45-232 as follows  
 3.1805.15:0 Maximum PCS receive path data delay in ns, lower PCS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[15:0]  
 3.1806.15:0 Maximum PCS receive path data delay in ns, upper PCS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[31:0]  
 3.1807.15:0 Minimum PCS receive path data delay in ns, lower PCS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[15:0]  
 3.1808.15:0 Minimum PCS receive path data delay in ns, upper PCS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[31:0]  
 3.1811.15:0 Maximum PCS receive path data delay in sub-ns PCS\_delay\_sub-ns\_RX\_max[15:0]  
 3.1812.15:0 Minimum PCS receive path data delay in sub-ns PCS\_delay\_sub-ns\_RX\_min[15:0]  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a P34 L30 # 276  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type ER Comment Status X  
 Editing instruction, "Insert a new subclause 45.2.3.69a and renumber existing subclauses as needed." - suggests that renumbering is needed. If the insert is done correctly (69a, etc) no renumbering is ever needed in the amendment, and the 'and renumber' is unneeded. The editing instruction suggests there is something I'm missing here that needs renumbering - either state it or drop the statement.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete "and renumber existing subclauses as needed" or specify what needs to be renumbered.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a P35 L43 # 332  
 Nicholl, Shawn Xilinx  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Currently it reads like a status register when it is actually a control register.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose to change (in two places) to:  
 - "Configures the PCS to use ..."  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a P36 L8 # 333  
 Nicholl, Shawn Xilinx  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Missing closing single quote. There is an opening quote preceding "PCS does not support", but the closing quote is missing.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose to add the closing single quote at the end of the sentence:  
 - 'PCS does not support TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE indication capability'.  
 Same comment for DTE XS in 45.2.5.31.1  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a P36 L8 # 334

Nicholl, Shawn

Xilinx

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Extraneous "be". Also, use of "they" is strange.

SuggestedRemedy

Propose to change to:

- "Writes to this bit are also ignored if there is an attempt to set the bit ..."

Same comment for DTE XS in 45.2.5.31.1

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a P36 L10 # 335

Nicholl, Shawn

Xilinx

Comment Type E Comment Status X

The last sentence of the final paragraph seems unrelated to the discussion earlier in the paragraph. Move the Note to a new paragraph. Also, simplify the note to avoid repeating the definition of DDMP.

SuggestedRemedy

Propose to move the sentence "Note that the use of ..." into a new paragraph and add a link to 90.5 such that it reads:

- "Note that configuration of the data delay measurement point needs to be consistent in both the gRS (see 90.5) and the PCS."

Same comment for DTE XS in 45.2.5.31.1

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a.1 P35 L52 # 418

He, Xiang

Huawei Technologies

Comment Type ER Comment Status X

Propose to delete "used in the calculation of the optional TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values, passed from the PCS across the xMII to the gRS" that describes the use of the measurement point, which has been defined in 45.2.3.67.1 and 45.2.3.67.2. Seems to be unnecessary.

If the proposal is accepted, do similar changes for the first paragraph of 45.2.5.31.1.

SuggestedRemedy

Change

"Bit 3.1813.13 is used to set the data delay measurement point used in the calculation of the optional TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values, passed from the PCS across the xMII to the gRS."

to

"Bit 3.1813.13 is used to set the data delay measurement point."

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a.1 P36 L1 # 419

He, Xiang Huawei Technologies

Comment Type ER Comment Status X

"When this bit is set to 0 the beginning of the SFD is used as the data delay measurement point to calculate the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values."

Propose to delete "to calculate the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values" as this is repeating what has already been said in 45.2.3.67.1.

If the proposal is accepted, do similar changes for the second paragraph of 45.2.5.31.1.

SuggestedRemedy

Change

"When this bit is set to 0 the beginning of the SFD is used as the data delay measurement point to calculate the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values."

to

"When this bit is set to 0 the beginning of the SFD is used as the data delay measurement point."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a.1 P36 L4 # 420

He, Xiang Huawei Technologies

Comment Type ER Comment Status X

"When set to 1 the first symbol after the SFD is used as the data delay measurement point to calculate the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values."

Propose to delete "to calculate the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values" as this is repeating what has already been said in 45.2.3.67.2.

If the proposal is accepted, do similar changes for the third paragraph of 45.2.5.31.1.

SuggestedRemedy

Change

"When set to 1 the first symbol after the SFD is used as the data delay measurement point to calculate the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE values."

to

"When set to 1 the first symbol after the SFD is used as the data delay measurement point."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a.1 P36 L7 # 421

He, Xiang Huawei Technologies

Comment Type ER Comment Status X

"Writes to this bit are ignored if the TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE support bit in register (3.1800) is set to 'PCS does not support TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE indication capability. Writes to this bit are also be ignored if they attempt to set the bit to a value that the equivalent capability bits in register (3.1800) indicate is not supported."

The second sentence can cover the first sentence. proposed to delete one. A single quote mark is also missing in the first sentence.

If the proposal is accepted, do similar changes for the fourth paragraph of 45.2.5.31.1.

SuggestedRemedy

Change

"Writes to this bit are ignored if the TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE support bit in register (3.1800) is set to 'PCS does not support TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE indication capability. Writes to this bit are also be ignored if they attempt to set the bit to a value that the equivalent capability bits in register (3.1800) indicate is not supported."

to

"Writes to this bit are ignored if they attempt to set the bit to a value that the equivalent capability bits in register (3.1800) indicate is not supported."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a.1 P36 L8 # 278

Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,

Comment Type E Comment Status X

There seems to be an unclosed single quote: "is set to 'PCS does not support..." does not seem to close.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the single quote or identify where it closes

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.69a.1 P36 L8 # 309

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Ending quotation mark is missing from this statement:

Writes to this bit are ignored if the TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE support bit in register (3.1800) is set to 'PCS does not support TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE indication capability.

SuggestedRemedy

Add closing quotation mark at end of sentence, after "capability"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4 P36 L24 # 377

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Title of registers can be made consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-314 as follows  
 4.1801 through 4.1804 TimeSync PHY XS transmit path data delay in ns  
 45.2.4.29  
 4.1805 through 4.1808 TimeSync PHY XS receive path data delay in ns  
 45.2.4.30  
 4.1809 through 4.1810 TimeSync PHY XS transmit path data delay in fractional ns  
 45.2.4.29  
 4.1811 through 4.1812 TimeSync PHY XS receive path data delay in fractional ns  
 45.2.4.30

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.28 P36 L35 # 311

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

"PMA/PMD" should be "PHY XS"

SuggestedRemedy

Change

"The TimeSync PHY XS capability register (see Table45–336) indicates the capability of the PMA/PMD to..."

to

"The TimeSync PHY XS capability register (see Table45–336) indicates the capability of the PHY XS to..."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.28 P36 L36 # 378

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

typo error in paragraph;

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "transmit data delay" with "transmit path data delay";  
Replace "receive data delay" with "receive path data delay";

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.29 P37 L29 # 379

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "and fine resolution transmit path data delay"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.29 P38 L6 # 380

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Names be made more consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-337 as follows

4.1801.15:0 Maximum PHY XS transmit path data delay in ns, lower

PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[15:0]

4.1802.15:0 Maximum PHY XS transmit path data delay in ns, upper

PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[31:0]

4.1803.15:0 Minimum PHY XS transmit path data delay in ns, lower

PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[15:0]

4.1804.15:0 Minimum PHY XS transmit path data delay in ns, upper

PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[31:0]

4.1809.15:0 Maximum PHY XS transmit path data delay in sub-ns PHY\_XS\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_max[15:0]

4.1810.15:0 Minimum PHY XS transmit path data delay in sub-ns PHY\_XS\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_min[15:0]

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.30 P38 L32 # 381

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "and fine resolution receive path data delay"

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.30 P39 L11 # 382

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Names be made more consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-338 as follows

4.1805.15:0 Maximum PHY XS receive path delay in ns, lower

PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[15:0]

4.1806.15:0 Maximum PHY XS receive path delay in ns, upper

PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[31:0]

4.1807.15:0 Minimum PHY XS receive path delay in ns, lower

PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[15:0]

4.1808.15:0 Minimum PHY XS receive path delay in ns, upper

PHY\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[31:0]

4.1811.15:0 Maximum PHY XS receive path delay in sub-ns PHY\_XS\_delay\_sub-ns\_RX\_max[15:0]

4.1812.15:0 Minimum PHY XS receive path delay in sub-ns PHY\_XS\_delay\_sub-ns\_RX\_min[15:0]

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.5 P39 L39 # 383

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Title of registers can be made consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-339 as follows

5.1801 through 5.1804 TimeSync DTE XS transmit path data delay in ns

45.2.5.29

5.1805 through 5.1808 TimeSync DTE XS receive path data delay in ns

45.2.5.30

5.1809 through 5.1810 TimeSync DTE XS transmit path data delay in fractional ns

45.2.5.29

5.1811 through 5.1812 TimeSync DTE XS receive path data delay in fractional ns

45.2.5.30

5.1813 TimeSync DTE XS configuration

45.2.5.31

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.5.28 P39 L52 # 384

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

typo error in paragraph;

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "transmit data delay" with "transmit path data delay";

Replace "receive data delay" with "receive path data delay";

Proposed Response Response Status O

CI 45 SC 45.2.5.28 P40 L51 # 312

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

DTE XS subclause needs change:

1. "PMA/PMD" should be "DTE XS"
2. DTE XS has more than just Tx and Rx data delay capability registers so its description in 45.2.5.28 must describe this appropriately.
3. Only 2 of its capability register bits are described in subclauses. The rest are described in the introductory statement.

I suggest that the DTE XS subclause follow the structure of the PCS capability register (subclause 45.2.3.67) and add additional subclauses to describe all of its capability register bits.

SuggestedRemedy

Change

"The TimeSync DTE XS capability register (see Table45–361) indicates the capability of the PMA/PMD to report the transmit data delay (in ns-resolution registers 5.1801 through 5.1804 and, separately, in sub-ns-resolution registers 5.1809 and 5.1810) and receive data delay (in ns-resolution registers 5.1805 through 5.1808 and, separately, in sub-ns-resolution registers 5.1811 and 5.1812)."

to

"This register is used to indicate the capability of the DTE XS to provide transmit and receive path data delay information in support of a TimeSync client. The assignment of bits in the TimeSync DTE XS capability register is shown in Table 45–361."

Then, add additional subclauses (45.2.5.28.3 to 45.2.5.28.6) to describe the DTE XS' Tx/Rx path data delay and fine resolution path data delay capability register bits. To do this, copy the contents from 45.2.3.67.5 to 45.2.3.67.8 and change the register numbers to match those of the DTE XS and change "PCS" to "DTE XS".

Proposed Response Response Status O

CI 45 SC 45.2.5.29 P41 L27 # 385

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "and fine resolution transmit path data delay"

Proposed Response Response Status O

CI 45 SC 45.2.5.29 P42 L8 # 386

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Names be made more consistent

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the existing lines in Table 45-362 as follows

- 5.1801.15:0 Maximum DTE XS transmit path data delay in ns, lower DTE\_XS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[15:0]
- 5.1802.15:0 Maximum DTE XS transmit path data delay in ns, upper DTE\_XS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[31:0]
- 5.1803.15:0 Minimum DTE XS transmit path data delay in ns, lower DTE\_XS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[15:0]
- 5.1804.15:0 Minimum DTE XS transmit path data delay in ns, upper DTE\_XS\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[31:0]
- 5.1809.15:0 Maximum DTE XS transmit path data delay in sub-ns DTE\_XS\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_max[15:0]
- 5.1810.15:0 Minimum DTE XS transmit path data delay in sub-ns DTE\_XS\_delay\_sub-ns\_TX\_min[15:0]

Proposed Response Response Status O

CI 45 SC 45.2.5.30 P42 L35 # 387

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync path delay register set

SuggestedRemedy

Delete "and fine resolution receive path data delay"

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.5.30 P43 L11 # 388  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Names be made more consistent  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Modify the existing lines in Table 45-363 as follows  
 5.1805.15:0 Maximum DTE XS receive path delay in ns, lower  
 DTE\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[15:0]  
 5.1806.15:0 Maximum DTE XS receive path delay in ns, upper  
 DTE\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[31:0]  
 5.1807.15:0 Minimum DTE XS receive path delay in ns, lower  
 DTE\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[15:0]  
 5.1808.15:0 Minimum DTE XS receive path delay in ns, upper  
 DTE\_XS\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[31:0]  
 5.1811.15:0 Maximum DTE XS receive path delay in sub-ns DTE\_XS\_delay\_sub-  
 ns\_RX\_max[15:0]  
 5.1812.15:0 Minimum DTE XS receive path delay in sub-ns DTE\_XS\_delay\_sub-  
 ns\_RX\_min[15:0]  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6 P44 L25 # 389  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Title of registers can be made consistent  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Modify the existing lines in Table 45-364 as follows  
 6.1801 through 6.1804 TimeSync TC transmit path data delay in ns 45.2.6.15  
 6.1805 through 6.1808 TimeSync TC receive path data delay in ns 45.2.6.16  
 6.1809 through 6.1810 TimeSync TC transmit path data delay in fractional ns  
 45.2.6.15  
 6.1811 through 6.1812 TimeSync TC receive path data delay in fractional ns 45.2.6.16  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.14 P44 L36 # 313  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 "PMA/PMD" should be "TC"  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change  
 "The TimeSync TC capability register (see Table45-375) indicates the capability of the  
 PMA/PMD to..."  
 to  
 "The TimeSync TC capability register (see Table45-375) indicates the capability of the TC  
 to..."  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.14 P44 L37 # 390  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 typo error in paragraph;  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "transmit data delay" with "transmit path data delay";  
 Replace "receive data delay" with "receive path data delay";  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.15 P45 L30 # 391  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync  
 path delay register set  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete "and fine resolution transmit path data delay"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

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**Cl 45**    **SC 45.2.6.15**                      **P46**                      **L8**                      # **392**  
 Kabra, Lokesh                                      Synopsys Inc  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **X**  
 Names be made more consistent  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Modify the existing lines in Table 45-376 as follows  
 6.1801.15:0    Maximum TC transmit path data delay in ns, lower  
 TC\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[15:0]  
 6.1802.15:0    Maximum TC transmit path data delay in ns, upper  
 TC\_delay\_ns\_TX\_max[31:0]  
 6.1803.15:0    Minimum TC transmit path data delay in ns, lower  
 TC\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[15:0]  
 6.1804.15:0    Minimum TC transmit path data delay in ns, upper  
 TC\_delay\_ns\_TX\_min[31:0]  
 6.1809.15:0    Maximum TC transmit path data delay in sub-ns    TC\_delay\_sub-  
 ns\_TX\_max[15:0]  
 6.1810.15:0    Minimum TC transmit path data delay in sub-ns    TC\_delay\_sub-  
 ns\_TX\_min[15:0]  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **O**

**Cl 45**    **SC 45.2.6.16**                      **P47**                      **L7**                      # **394**  
 Kabra, Lokesh                                      Synopsys Inc  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **X**  
 Names be made more consistent  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Modify the existing lines in Table 45-377 as follows  
 6.1805.15:0    Maximum TC receive path data delay in ns, lower  
 TC\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[15:0]  
 6.1806.15:0    Maximum TC receive path data delay in ns, upper  
 TC\_delay\_ns\_RX\_max[31:0]  
 6.1807.15:0    Minimum TC receive path data delay in ns, lower  
 TC\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[15:0]  
 6.1808.15:0    Minimum TC receive path data delay in ns, upper  
 TC\_delay\_ns\_RX\_min[31:0]  
 6.1811.15:0    Maximum TC receive path data delay in sub-ns    TC\_delay\_sub-  
 ns\_RX\_max[15:0]  
 6.1812.15:0    Minimum TC receive path data delay in sub-ns    TC\_delay\_sub-  
 ns\_RX\_min[15:0]  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **O**

**Cl 45**    **SC 45.2.6.16**                      **P46**                      **L32**                      # **393**  
 Kabra, Lokesh                                      Synopsys Inc  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **X**  
 Inclusion of "Fine resolution path delay registers" redundant as they are part of TimeSync  
 path delay register set  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Delete "and fine resolution receive path data delay"  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **O**

**Cl 90**    **SC 90.**                                      **P61**                      **L37**                      # **290**  
 Zimmerman, George                                      CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **X**  
 usually a "see" goes to a cross reference. NOTE 4 is not an active cross reference.  
 Where is NOTE 4? Is it the one on page 62? If it is, since it is part of this same subclause,  
 and not referenced elsewhere, the separation just makes it harder to find. why not move it  
 up to where it is relevant as part of the description?  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Suggest that NOTE 4 be moved up to the point where it is referenced, and simply added as  
 text. (not a Note...)  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **O**

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Cl 90 SC 90.1 P49 L11 # 395  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Redundant "the"  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "for the full-duplex mode" with "for full-duplex mode"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.1 P49 L14 # 279  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type ER Comment Status X  
 The text being edited is not the same as 802.3dc D3.0. The edit appears unnecessary. "are all compatible with the <UL> generic Reconciliation Sublayer (gRS) <UL> <SO> sublayer <SO> defined in 90.5" whereas 802.3dc D3.0 reads "are all compatible with the gRS sublayer defined in 90.5" - note that I have submitted a comment on 802.3dc D3.0 to insert "generic Reconciliation Sublayer" and fix this sentence, as it appears to be the first instance of gRS in IEEE Std 802.3 outside of the list of acronyms & abbreviations  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Align text with latest draft of 802.3dc  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.1 P51 L11 # 396  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Not all 10 Mb/s nodes have MII defined (e.g 10BASE-5, 10BASE-T). Hence revert back to original text.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "NOTE 1—In this figure, the xMII is used as a generic term for the Media Independent Interfaces for implementations of 10 Mb/s and above. For example: for 10Mb/s and 100Mb/s implementations"  
 with  
 "NOTE 1—In this figure, the xMII is used as a generic term for the Media Independent Interfaces for implementations of 10BASE-T1L, 10BASE-T1S, and 100 Mb/s and above. For example: for 100 Mb/s implementations"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.2 P49 L22 # 280  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 IEEE Std 802.1AS is B42 in 802.3dc D3.0, not B41, and IEEE 1588 is B44, not B43  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Reverse changes in 90.2 of bibliographic referre numbers of 802.1AS and IEEE Std 1588 so they align with the latest draft of 802.3dc. Similarly change edits to Annex A (page 65) so reference numbers align with 802.3dc  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.1.1 P51 L1 # 302  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 In Figure 90-1, TX/RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE signals should terminate at the gRS. The values from these signals are now propagated to the TimeSync Client via the PDDPD parameters in the TS\_TX/RX.indication primitives.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Update Figure 90-1 so TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE start at the PHY and end at the gRS.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 90 SC 90.4.1.1 P51 L43 # 281

Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

The change to the NOTE says that the MII is the interface for implmeentations of 10 Mb/s and above. This is technically incorrect with most of the 10 Mb/s implementations, and is OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE PAR - which is "Define optional enhancements to Ethernet support for time synchronization protocols to provide improved timestamp accuracy in support of ITU-T Recommendation G.8273.2 'Class C' and 'Class D' system time error performance requirements." as it is unrelated to the timestamp accuracy. The language in 802.3dc D3.0 was written to specifically call out the newer 802.3cg PHYs which use MII, unlike the legacy 10 Mb/s PHYs, e.g., clause 14, which use MAU. (while MII can be used, it isn't what 802.3 specifies for these PHYs). The second sentence, beginning 'For example' language is just an example and does not need modification, and the change creates unnecessary confusion.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the proposed changes to NOTE 1 of Figure 90-1, reverting to the language in 802.3dc D3.0.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.1.2 P51 L53 # 282

Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,

Comment Type E Comment Status X

The word "capture" is inserted, and should be underlined.

SuggestedRemedy

Underline capture as an insert.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.1.2 P52 L8 # 283

Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,

Comment Type T Comment Status X

The word "may" is formally "is permitted to" in IEEE-SA standards, and is generally used for options or text speaking to requirements. This is descriptive text, and the word "can" is more appropriate for the description of things that the TimeSync Client can do with the information.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace usages of "may" with "can" in lines 8 through 18 of page 52, relating to the timesync client

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.1.2 P52 L11 # 397

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

improper sentence

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "to calculate the accuracy of the calculated egress time at the MDI" with "to improve the accuracy of the calculated egress time at the MDI"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.1.2 P52 L16 # 398

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

improper sentence

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "to calculate the accuracy of the calculated ingress time at the MDI" with "to improve the accuracy of the calculated ingress time at the MDI"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Comments Received

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Cl 90 SC 90.4.2 P52 L25 # 284  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "model used in this / the service specification" - the sentence speaks to only THIS specific service specification - the original language is more appropriate. Additionally, this kind of change is unnecessary and unrelated to the purpose of the project - arguably out of scope.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 revert change from "this" to "the".  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.1 P52 L34 # 426  
 Huber, Tom Nokia  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Missing an editorial instruction regarding this subclause and 90.4.3.1.2.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add an editing instruction: Change 90.4.3.1 and subclauses as shown. Delete the editing instruction for 90.4.3.1.1.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.1 P52 L37 # 336  
 Nicholl, Shawn Xilinx  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 For data delay measurement point (DDMP), the use of the term "point" could be interpretation as a "point in the datapath" of an implementation.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose to change to:  
 - data delay measurement symbol (DDMS)  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.1 P52 L38 # 285  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "sub-layer" should be "sublayer", but actually is redundant (since gRS stands for generic Reconciliation Sublayer) - but was used in the original text.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 change "sub-layer" to "sublayer" or simply delete "sub-layer".  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.1.1 P53 L2 # 286  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status X  
 "The use of the beginning of the SFD, or the beginning of the first symbol after the SFD, as the measurement point requires consistent configuration of both the gRS and the PCS (see 45.2.3.69a) for correct operation." - this seems like a VERY IMPORTANT technical point , but is buried in the middle of a discussion of semantics. It needs to be put somewhere more prominent. Suggest some description of these functions in 90.2 is warranted. Same text is also in 90.4.3.2.1 on P 54, so copying rather than moving the text seems appropriate.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Copy the quoted sentence and put it as a new paragraph at the end of 90.2 Overview. Editor / Task Force to consider other important description of changes and options that need to be highlighted for the reader to understand how TSSI has changed.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.1.1 P53 L5 # 337

Nicholl, Shawn

Xilinx

Comment Type T Comment Status X

This sub-clause needs text to handle MAC Merge sublayer case. Also, cross-references for SFD, SMD-E, and SMD-S can be consolidated here to simplify sub-clause 90.5.1.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Propose to preface the second paragraph with "When the MAC Merge sublayer is not instantiated," and add SFD cross-reference such that it reads as follows:

"When the MAC Merge sublayer is not instantiated, the data delay measurement point (DDMP) parameter can take one of two possible values, SFD and FIRST\_SYMBOL. The value SFD indicates that the TS\_TX.indication primitive was issued as the result of the beginning of Start Frame Delimiter (SFD, see 3.1.1 and 3.2.2) being transferred across the transmit path of the xMII. The value FIRST\_SYMBOL ..."

Propose to add a new paragraph after the existing text "for correct operation" (i.e. between the second and third paragraphs):

"When the MAC Merge sublayer is instantiated, the data delay measurement point (DDMP) parameter can take one of two possible values, SMD and FIRST\_SYMBOL. The value SMD indicates that the TS\_TX.indication primitive was issued as the result of the beginning of an Start mPacket Delimiter for an express packet or preemptable packet start (SMD-E or SMD-S, see 99.3.3) being transferred across the transmit path of the xMII. The value FIRST\_SYMBOL indicates that the TS\_TX.indication primitive was issued as the result of the beginning of the first symbol after an SMD-E or SMD-S being transferred across the transmit path of the xMII. The use of the beginning of the SMD, or the beginning of the first symbol after the SMD, as the measurement point requires consistent configuration of both the gRS and the PCS (see 45.2.3.69a) for correct operation."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.1.1 P53 L11 # 338

Nicholl, Shawn

Xilinx

Comment Type T Comment Status X

The MM parameter is solely relevant when the MAC Merge sublayer is instantiated. When MAC Merge sublayer is not instantiated, MM parameter is not needed. The last sentence of the paragraph seems to conflate the existence of MM parameter with other conditions.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Propose to change to:

- "The MM parameter is not provided when the MAC Merge sublayer is not instantiated."

Same comment for RX in 90.4.3.2.1

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.1.1 P53 L21 # 399

Kabra, Lokesh

Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

last sentence of third paragraph is a repeat of the last sentence of first paragraph and hence is redundant

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete last sentence of third paragraph

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.2 P53 L35 # 427

Huber, Tom

Nokia

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Missing an editorial instruction regarding this subclause, and also missing one for 90.4.3.2.2

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add an editing instruction: Change 90.4.3.2 and subclauses as shown, and add new subclause 90.4.3.2.3. Delete the editing instructions for subclauses 90.4.3.2.1 and 90.4.3.2.3..

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.2.1 P54 L3 # 300

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type E Comment Status X

This sentence should be deleted as it is immediately followed by an almost identical, but better, sentence.

"The use of the beginning of an SFD, or the beginning of the first symbol after an SFD as the measurement point has to be configured consistently in both the gRS and all associated PHY registers for correct operation."

SuggestedRemedy

remove the sentence identified in the comment

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.2.1 P54 L20 # 315

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

For the Rx datapath, PDDPD gives a dynamic delay that already took place. So, "experiences" should be changed to "experienced".

SuggestedRemedy

Change

"...the beginning of the first symbol after the SFD (see 45.2.3.69a), of the packet that generated the primitive, experiences in the PCS within the PHY."

to

"...the beginning of the first symbol after the SFD (see 45.2.3.69a), of the packet that generated the primitive, experienced in the PCS within the PHY."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.4.3.2.1 P54 L24 # 400

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

last sentence of third paragraph is a repeat of the last sentence of first paragraph and hence is redundant

SuggestedRemedy

Delete last sentence of third paragraph

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5 P55 L6 # 401

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

improper sentence

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "are defined to enable the PHY to provide the gRS dynamic data information to forward to the TimeSync Client to support the calculation of high accuracy data delay values" with "output from the PHY to the gRS. These signals provides the dynamic data path delay information to be forwarded to the TimeSync Client for enabling the calculation of highly accurate data path delay values"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.1 P50 L22 # 287

Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,

Comment Type TR Comment Status X

"When the MAC Merge sublayer is instantiated and when the beginning of the SFD is selected" - this reads like an "or" case, because it is "when a and when b" like 2 separate instances, but is written with an "and". Since the other case listed is "when the MAC Merge sublayer is not instantiated or when the beginning of the first symbol after the SFD is selected" - the opposite to that case would be "when the MAC Merge sublayer is instantiated and the beginning of the SFD is selected". So, I suggest the second "when" is superflous and confusing. Same text occurs in 90.5.2

SuggestedRemedy

change "and when the beginning of the SFD" to "and the beginning of the SFP" on line 22 and on line 43 (90.5.2)

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.1 P55 L13 # 339

Nicholl, Shawn

Xilinx

Comment Type T Comment Status X

This comment assumes that implementations not supporting the MAC Merge sublayer have two allowable locations for the data delay measurement point (DDMP). Similarly, this comment assumes that implementations supporting the MAC Merge sublayer also have two allowable locations for the data delay measurement point (DDMP). If either of these assumptions is not true, then that needs to be clearly stated in the draft.

Assuming both assumptions are true, then details related to the DDMP should be re-located to sub-clause 90.4.3.1.1 (see separate comment) and redundant information can be removed from sub-clause 90.5.1.

SuggestedRemedy

Propose to update sub-clause 90.5.1 to include only the following text:

The TS\_DDMP\_Detect\_TX function observes the xMII transmit signals.

The TS\_DDMP\_Detect\_TX function detects the occurrence of the data delay measurement point in compliance with the specifications of the given type of the instantiated xMII. The service primitive across the TSSI, i.e., TS\_TX.indication, shall be generated only when the data delay measurement point is detected on the transmit signals of the xMII.

When the MAC Merge sublayer is instantiated, the value of MM shall indicate whether an SMD-E (MM=EMAC) or an SMD-S (MM=PMAC) was detected.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.1 P55 L27 # 402

Kabra, Lokesh

Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

"SFD" is no longer a parameter of TX\_TS.indication

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "SFD=DETECTED" with "DDMP=SFD"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.1 P55 L27 # 316

Tse, Richard

Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

"SFD=DETECTED" is no longer valid

SuggestedRemedy

Change "SFD=DETECTED" to "DDMP=SFD"

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.2 P55 L34 # 340

Nicholl, Shawn

Xilinx

Comment Type T Comment Status X

This comment assumes that implementations not supporting the MAC Merge sublayer have two allowable locations for the data delay measurement point (DDMP). Similarly, this comment assumes that implementations supporting the MAC Merge sublayer also have two allowable locations for the data delay measurement point (DDMP). If either of these assumptions is not true, then that needs to be clearly stated in the draft.

Assuming both assumptions are true, then details related to the DDMP should be re-located to sub-clause 90.4.3.1.1 (see separate comment) and redundant information can be removed from sub-clause 90.5.2.

SuggestedRemedy

Propose to update sub-clause 90.5.2 to include only the following text:

The TS\_DDMP\_Detect\_RX function observes the xMII receive signals.

The TS\_DDMP\_Detect\_RX function detects the occurrence of the data delay measurement point in compliance with the specifications of the given type of the instantiated xMII. The service primitive across the TSSI, i.e., TS\_RX.indication, shall be generated only when the data delay measurement point is detected on the receive signals of the xMII.

When the MAC Merge sublayer is instantiated, the value of MM shall indicate whether an SMD-E (MM=EMAC) or an SMD-S (MM=PMAC) was detected.

Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 90 SC 90.5.2 P55 L48 # 317  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 "SFD=DETECTED" is no longer valid  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "SFD=DETECTED" to "DDMP=SFD"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.2 P55 L48 # 403  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "SFD" is no longer a parameter of RX\_TS.indication  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "SFD=DETECTED" with "DDMP=SFD"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.2 P57 L1 # 301  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 In Figure 90-2, the TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE signals should be present only on the right side of the gRS as they are terminated by the gRS. On the left side of the gRS, these signals should no longer be present since their function is now performed by the PDDPD parameter in the TS\_TX.indication and TS\_RX.indication primitives.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Update Figure 90-2 as described in the comment  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.3 P57 L32 # 288  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 This is more of a question - but is potentially important. The text as written defines a relationship between TX\_CLK and TXD. TX\_CLK is an XGMII (and higher rate) xMII signal generated by the RS. Gigabit Ethernet uses GTX\_CLK, also generated by the RS. MII (100 Mb/s) uses TX\_CLK sourced from the PHY (see 22.2.2.1). While everything seems correct for XGMII and above, mention of GTX\_CLK for gigabit needs to be added as appropriate, and specific consideration needs to be taken to ensure that the timing works for MII where the PHY sources the TX\_CLK.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Suggest adding "(GTX\_CLK for GMII)" after TX\_CLK on line 38 and in Figure 90-3. Also, consider whether there are any ramifications of the differences inherent in MII from the higher speed phys due to clock sourcing.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.3 P57 L35 # 404  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Improper sentences  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "that provides dynamic transmit path data delay values to support the calculation of high accuracy transmit path data delay values by the TimeSync client. They are defined as logical signals intended for use with an intra-chip interface, physical instantiation of these signal is not defined."  
 with  
 "providing dynamic transmit path data delay values to support the calculation of highly accurate transmit path data delay values by the TimeSync client. Even though they are specified as logical signals intended for use with an intra-chip interface, physical instantiation of these signals are not defined."  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

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Cl 90 SC 90.5.3 P57 L37 # 318  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 sentence format could be improved  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change  
 "They are defined as logical signals intended for use with an intra-chip interface, physical instantiation of these signal is not defined."  
 to  
 "They are defined as logical signals intended for use with an intra-chip interface. A physical instantiation of these signals is not defined."  
 Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 90 SC 90.5.4 P58 L17 # 405  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Improper sentences  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "that provides dynamic receive path data delay values to support the calculation of high accuracy receive path data delay values by the TimeSync client. They are defined as logical signals intended for use with an intra-chip interface, physical instantiation of these signal is not defined."  
 with  
 "providing dynamic receive path data delay values to support the calculation of highly accurate receive path data delay values by the TimeSync client. Even though they are specified as logical signals intended for use with an intra-chip interface, physical instantiation of these signals are not defined."  
 Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 90 SC 90.5.3 P57 L44 # 321  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 Per the spirit of  
[https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/nov21int/proposed\\_res\\_for\\_comments\\_135\\_177\\_137\\_181.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/nov21int/proposed_res_for_comments_135_177_137_181.pdf), recommendations about alignment marker, codeword marker, and/or idle insertion/removal should not be part of this subclause.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Remove this sentence:  
 "To avoid dynamic transmit path data delay that cannot be reported to the TimeSync client, it is recommended to avoid alignment marker insertion, codeword marker insertion, and/or idle rate adaptation insertion/removal in any PHY sublayer other than the PCS."  
 Proposed Response Response Status

Cl 90 SC 90.5.4 P58 L19 # 319  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 sentence format could be improved  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change  
 "They are defined as logical signals intended for use with an intra-chip interface, physical instantiation of these signal is not defined."  
 to  
 "They are defined as logical signals intended for use with an intra-chip interface. A physical instantiation of these signals is not defined."  
 Proposed Response Response Status

Comments Received

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Cl 90 SC 90.5.4 P58 L26 # 320

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology

Comment Type T Comment Status X

Per the spirit of [https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/nov21int/proposed\\_res\\_for\\_comments\\_135\\_177\\_137\\_181.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/nov21int/proposed_res_for_comments_135_177_137_181.pdf), recommendations about alignment marker, codeword marker, and/or idle insertion/removal should not be part of this subclause.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove this sentence:

"To avoid dynamic receive path data delay that cannot be reported to the TimeSync client, it is recommended to avoid alignment marker removal, codeword marker removal, and/or Idle rate adaptation insertion/removal in any PHY sublayer other than the PCS."

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.5.6 P58 L52 # 406

Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc

Comment Type E Comment Status X

3.1813 is not a capability register but a configuration register

SuggestedRemedy

Remove 3.1813 from the list

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.6 P58 L53 # 269

Wienckowski, Natalie General Motors

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Usually when "respectively" is used, there are two lists of equal length. In this case, there are 7 items in the first list and 2 in the second. I believe each reference in the second list applies to 2 items in the first list.

SuggestedRemedy

I'm not sure how to rewrite this as I don't know which register is defined in 30.13.1.1 and which is defined in 30.13.1.2. There is no way to determine this from the spec.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.6 P59 L1 # 270

Wienckowski, Natalie General Motors

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Usually when "respectively" is used, there are two lists of equal length. In this case, there are 18 (?) items in the first list and 2 in the second. I believe the range in the first list refers to the first reference and then the two registers separated by a comma reference to the second reference.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: 1.1801 through 1.1804, 1.1809, 1.1810, 2.1801 through 2.1804, 2.1809, 2.1810, 3.1801 through 3.1804, 3.1809, 3.1810, 4.1801 through 4.1804, 4.1809, 4.1810, 5.1801 through 5.1804, 5.1809, 5.1810, and 6.1801 through 6.1804, 6.1809, 6.1810, as defined in 30.13.1.3 and 30.13.1.4, respectively  
 To: 1.1801 through 1.1804, 2.1801 through 2.1804, 3.1801 through 3.1804, 4.1801 through 4.1804, 5.1801 through 5.1804, and 6.1801 through 6.1804, as defined in 30.13.1.3 and 1.1809, 1.1810, 2.1809, 2.1810, 3.1809, 3.1810, 4.1809, 4.1810, 5.1809, 5.1810, 6.1809, 6.1810, as defined 30.13.1.4

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.6 P59 L7 # 271

Wienckowski, Natalie General Motors

Comment Type E Comment Status X

Usually when "respectively" is used, there are two lists of equal length. In this case, there are 18 (?) items in the first list and 2 in the second. I believe the range in the first list refers to the first reference and then the two registers separated by a comma reference to the second reference.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: 1.1805 through 1.1808, 1.1811, 1.1812, 2.1805 through 2.1808, 2.1811, 2.1812, 3.1805 through 3.1808, 3.1811, 3.1812, 4.1805 through 4.1808, 4.1811, 4.1812, 5.1805 through 5.1808, 5.1811, 5.1812, and 6.1805 through 6.1808, 6.1811, 6.1812, as defined in 30.13.1.5 and 30.13.1.6, respectively  
 To: 1.1805 through 1.1808, 2.1805 through 2.1808, 3.1805 through 3.1808, 4.1805 through 4.1808, 5.1805 through 5.1808, and 6.1805 through 6.1808, as defined in 30.13.1.5 and 1.1811, 1.1812, 2.1811, 2.1812, 3.1811, 3.1812, 4.1811, 4.1812, 5.1811, 5.1812, 6.1811, and 6.1812, as defined in 30.13.1.6

Proposed Response Response Status O

Comments Received

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Cl 90 SC 90.6 P59 L24 # 289  
 Zimmerman, George CME Consulting/ADI, APL Gp, Cisco, CommScope,  
 Comment Type ER Comment Status X  
 There are inserts in table 90-1 that are not shown. (e.g., 1.1809 through 1.1810 isn't in 802.3dc d3.0)  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Compare table 90-1 to latest draft of 802.3dc and underline inserts as appropriate.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.7 P60 L31 # 341  
 Nicholl, Shawn Xilinx  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 It would be best to consolidate details of the DDMP within 90.4.3.1.1, rather than duplicate details in 90.7.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose to change the first paragraph to simply:  
 The TimeSync capability requires measurement of data delay in the transmit and receive paths, as shown in Figure 90-5.  
 The transmit path data delay is measured from the data delay measurement point (DDMP, see 90.4.3.1.1).  
 Furthermore, propose to move the entire "NOTE -- It is recommended that the beginning of the first symbol after the SFD ..." into sub-clause 90.4.3.1.1. Editors discretion whether to update the NOTE text to also include discussion of SMD (i.e. not just SFD).  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.7 P60 L45 # 428  
 Huber, Tom Nokia  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 The added text about multilane interfaces, "multi-PCS lane distribution", is somewhat awkward. Since distribution of the PCS already implies that there are multiple lanes, it is not really necessary to say 'multi-PCS lane distribution' throughout the paragraph, and perhaps more clear to introduce the concept as 'distribution of the PCS signal to multiple lanes'.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Revise the paragraph to read as follows:  
 If a PHY includes an FEC function or distributes the PCS signal to multiple lanes, the transmit and receive path data delays may show significant variation dependng upon the position of the data delay measurement point within the FEC block and in the PCS lane distribution sequence. However, since the variation due to this effect in the transmit path is expected to be compensated by the inverse variation in the receive path, it is recommended that the transmit and receive path data delays be reported as if the data delay measurement point is at the start of the FEC block and/or PCS lane distribution sequence. For PHYs with both FEC and distribution to multiple PCS lanes, the start of the FEC block is guaranteed to coninside with the start of a PCS lane distribution sequence.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.7 P60 L45 # 251  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "multi-PCS lane distribution" doesn't work: we aren't discussing multiple PCSs. "multi-PCS" and "multi-FEC" aren't defined kinds of PCS and FEC. "multi-PCS-lane distribution" is clumsy. As "multi-physics" is a thing, "multi-physical" in 90A.2 is a problem. We don't need to say "a multi-lane FEC and/or PCS lane distribution function" because there would be no distribution function if there weren't multiple lanes. It turns out that there is no need for "multi-PCS-lane distribution" or "multi-FEC-lane distribution", or "multi-lane PCS lane distribution" or "multi-lane FEC lane distribution".  
 Also, functions -> function.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "an FEC and/or multi-PCS lane distribution functions" to "an FEC and/or PCS lane distribution function". Change "in the multi-PCS lane distribution sequence" to "in the PCS lane distribution sequence" (or "in the PCS or FEC lane distribution sequence"?). Change "multi-PCS-lane distribution" to "PCS lane distribution" and similarly (including for FEC) throughout the document.  
 In 90A.2, change "multi-physical coding sublayer (PCS) lane distribution/merging" to "PCS lane distribution/merging".  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Comments Received

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Cl 90 SC 90.7 P61 L2 # 322  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "PTP" should be removed  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 delete the word "PTP"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.7 P61 L2 # 250  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Here and in the next paragraph there are "the PTP data delay measurement point". This is the first time that "PTP" has appeared except for document title or abstract, where it doesn't matter so much that "Precision Time Protocol" is not defined (and 90.3 implies that it's out of scope). 93 other times we have simply "data delay measurement point".  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete "PTP" twice  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.7 P61 L11 # 323  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 "PTP" should be removed  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 delete the word "PTP"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.7 P62 L39 # 422  
 He, Xiang Huawei Technologies  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 NOTE 4 proposes to report the transmit delay on the last-departing lane, but the last paragraph on page 61 line 34-36 proposes to report the mid-point between the first-departing lane and the last-departing lane. Seems inconsistent.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Clarify the consistency between NOTE 4 and the description on page 61, line 34-36.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.7 P62 L41 # 423  
 He, Xiang Huawei Technologies  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 NOTE 5 has been covered by line 32-33 on page 61.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose to delete NOTE 5  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90 SC 90.8.3 P64 L16 # 342  
 Nicholl, Shawn Xilinx  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 This comment assumes that implementations not supporting the MAC Merge sublayer have two allowable locations for the data delay measurement point (DDMP). Similarly, this comment assumes that implementations supporting the MAC Merge sublayer also have two allowable locations for the data delay measurement point (DDMP). If either of these assumptions is not true, then that needs to be clearly stated in the draft.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose following changes in the table:  
 For Item TS\_TX, change the Status cell to "M"  
 For Item TS\_RX, change the Status cell to "M"  
 For Item TS\_T2, delete the row  
 For Item TS\_R2, delete the row  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Comments Received

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Cl 90A SC 90A P67 L9 # 261  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Gratuitous capitals  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "Timestamping Accuracy Considerations" to "Timestamping accuracy considerations", "High Accuracy Timestamping Introduction" to "High accuracy timestamping introduction" and so on. Including Table 90A-1.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.2 P67 L24 # 326  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 The "Timestamp reference" and "Timestamp reference, first symbol after the SFD" registers have new names and these need to be updated in this sentence.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "Timestamp reference" to "SFD data delay measurement point ability".  
 Change "Timestamp reference, first symbol after the SFD" to "First symbol after SFD data delay measurement point ability".  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.1 P67 L16 # 297  
 Marris, Arthur Cadence Design Systems  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Having "Client" capitalized looks wrong in this context  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Consider changing "Client" to "client"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.2 P67 L24 # 407  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Duplicate terms  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete one of the repeated "Timestamp Reference"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.2 P67 L23 # 298  
 Marris, Arthur Cadence Design Systems  
 Comment Type ER Comment Status X  
 "Timestamp reference" is repeated twice and makes no sense  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete "Timestamp reference, Timestamp reference"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.2 P67 L26 # 408  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Comma missing  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add comma as indicated below  
 "subclauses 45.2.1 to 45.2.6), could lead"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Comments Received

IEEE P802.3cx D2.1 ITSA Task Force 1st Working Group recirculation ballot comments

Cl 90A SC 90A.2 P67 L34 # 343  
 Nicholl, Shawn Xilinx  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 It would be best to reference DDMP definition in 90.4.3.1.1, rather than reference to 90.7.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Propose to change the third paragraph to:  
 Timestamping accuracy can also be impaired when two TimeSync Clients do not use the same data delay measurement point. As specified in 90.4.3.1.1, this standard ...  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.2 P67 L36 # 409  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Confusing sentence indicating 3 data delay measurement points  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "start of frame delimiter, the SFD, and" with "start of frame delimiter (SFD), and"  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.3 P68 L14 # 262  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Column headings and footnotes take more space than they should  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Make the table full width, optimise the column widths. Frame has a menu item to do this.  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.3 P68 L38 # 263  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 "TimeSync message" not defined  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 If this has a different name, use it. If not, explain what you mean by "a TimeSync message".  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.3 P68 L40 # 264  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type E Comment Status X  
 Footnotes d and e imply that 10GBASE-R is like 1000BASE-X, and 10GBASE-X is like 1000BASE-T, which looks like a mistake, and if it isn't, is confusing.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Use separate notes for 1000M and 10G  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.3 P68 L50 # 265  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type T Comment Status X  
 "byte time": no such thing in the base document, although a couple of clauses use "octet time"  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Use the proper terminology. Maybe you mean 8 BT (bit times).  
 Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.4 P69 L8 # 429

Huber, Tom Nokia  
Comment Type T Comment Status X

Similar to the comment on 90.7, "Multi-PCS Lane Functions" and "multi-PCS lane distribution" are somewhat awkward.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the title to "Considerations for PCS with multiple lanes" or "Considerations for multi-lane PCS".

Change the text of the first paragraph to read as follows:

The general concept used to accommodate the delay variation of a PCS that distributes the signal to multiple lanes is explained in 90A.7. This concept takes advantage of the fact that the sum of the intrinsic delay variation of the distribution operation and the intrinsic delay variation of the merging operation is a predetermined constant for the given multilane PCS function.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.4 P69 L31 # 430

Huber, Tom Nokia  
Comment Type T Comment Status X

The last paragraph indicates that the consideration with respect to distribution to/merging from multiple PCS lanes is consistent with that for multiple FEC lanes - but there is no discussion of multiple FEC lanes anywhere in the annex (or in the main body - 90.7 mentions FEC, but nothing about distribution to multiple lanes).

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the last paragraph.

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.5.1 P69 L54 # 324

Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
Comment Type T Comment Status X

PDDPD parameter should be included in the examples

SuggestedRemedy

1. Change subclause header to "Example use of TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and PDDPD"
2. Modify text for step b to the following  
"Scenario with alignment marker, codeword marker, or Idle insertion/removal in which the PDDPD parameter, which mirrors the corresponding value of TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE, is used to account for the Tx PCS path data delay variation, allowing the Tx PCS path data delay to be modeled as a constant:"
3. Change "TX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE" to "PDDPD" in all subsequent steps of this example

Proposed Response Response Status O

Cl 90A SC 90A.5.1 P70 L13 # 266

Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
Comment Type T Comment Status X

"positive when data is inserted ahead": I think you mean when alignment marker, codeword marker, or idle(s) are inserted. These are NOT data (see Clause 4). That's the reason that this document is talking about "path data delay" rather than just "path delay".

SuggestedRemedy

If there is a generic term for these non-data inserts, it could be used. If not, one could be invented, or for the few times it would be used, just write out "alignment marker, codeword marker, or Idle". Similarly in 90A.5.2 b iii

Proposed Response Response Status O

Comments Received

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Cl **90A** SC **90A.5.2** P**70** L**22** # **325**  
 Tse, Richard Microchip Technology  
 Comment Type **T** Comment Status **X**  
 PDDPD parameter should be included in the examples  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 1. Change subclause header to "Example use of RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE and PDDPD"  
 2. Modify text for step b to the following  
 "Scenario with alignment marker, codeword marker, or Idle insertion/removal in which the PDDPD parameter, which mirrors the corresponding value of RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE, is used to account for the Rx PCS path data delay variation, allowing the Rx PCS path data delay to be modeled as a constant:"  
 3. Change "RX\_NUM\_UNIT\_CHANGE" to "PDDPD" in all subsequent steps of this example  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

Cl **90A** SC **90A.6** P**71** L**34** # **267**  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 negate the need  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 avoid the need? reduce the need? avoid?  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

Cl **90A** SC **90A.7** P**73** L**10** # **268**  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 Font far too small  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Fix. Also change any grey text to black.  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

Cl **A** SC **A** P**65** L**10** # **252**  
 Dawe, Piers Nvidia  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 If these are informative references, and outside the scope of 802.3 as 90.3 implies, why are the references dated? Obviously, reference to 1588-2008 should be changed, but do we need to exclude future revisions? The introduction to 1.4, Definitions, says "For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments or corrigenda) applies", but there is no introduction to Annex A, Bibliography  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Delete "-2020" and "-2019"  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

Cl **Abstrac** SC **Abstract** P**3** L**2** # **344**  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 Sentence construct does not look correct  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Replace "modifies Clause 90 and adds Annex 90A to enhance support for time synchronization protocols to provide optional sub-nanosecond reporting of the transmit and receive path delays, selection of timing reference point, and dynamic reporting of path delay variation."  
 with  
 "modifies Clause 30, Clause 45, Clause 90 and adds Annex 90A to improve accuracy of time synchronization by providing optional sub-nanosecond reporting of the transmit and receive path delays, selection of timing reference point, and dynamic reporting of path delay variation."  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**

Cl **Keywor** SC **Keywords** P**3** L**6** # **345**  
 Kabra, Lokesh Synopsys Inc  
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **X**  
 "improved timestamp accuracy" term not found anywhere else in this document  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Delete "improved timestamp accuracy"  
 Proposed Response Response Status **O**