



# *Performance Adhoc Group*

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# Agenda

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- **Performance Adhoc structure**
- **Status review**
  - **Performance metrics overview**
    - **Scenarios**
    - **Traffic Types**
    - **Metrics**
  - **Initial Simulation scenarios**
    - **Suggestions for first steps in starting common simulations scenarios**
- **Next steps**

# *Formation of the Perf Adhoc Group*

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- **Requests to have a separate Adhoc group with the right experts to look into performance issues**
- **Not all 802.17 participants are interested in these issues**



# *Perf Adhoc Objectives*

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- **Agree on common/consistent perf simulation scenarios and metrics:**
  - **Traffic Models**
  - **Performance Metrics**
  - **Test Scenarios**
  - **Other?**

# *Perf Adhoc Objectives ...*

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- **These would be used to:**
  - **Compare the performance characteristics of various proposals**
  - **Compare performance characteristics of RPR solutions vs. using Ethernet switches**

# *Expected Time for Perf Adhoc Group Work*

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- **Expected to work in parallel with the efforts of 802.17 work to assist with development of the RPR standard**
- **Best estimate would be 8 - 12 months**

# *Participation in Perf Adhoc Group*

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- **Anyone welcome to participate**
- **People who can contribute to the perf analysis and perf modeling efforts**
- **People just interested in these topics**
- **People concerned about performance related issues and comparison process**
- **And then ... anyone is welcome!**

# *Perf Adhoc Plan*

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- **Plan on having parallel sessions to allow more time for discussions**
- **Will be reporting progress**
- **Separate mailing list for perf discussions?**

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# *Progress and Status Report*

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- **Presentations and discussions held in July plenary and August Interim meetings**
- **Closed on general performance metrics and scenarios (for now)**
- **Arrived to agreement on initial simulation scenarios**

# *Progress and Status ...*

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- **These would apply to:**
  - **Comparing various proposals**
  - **Comparing RPR mechanisms to using Ethernet switches**

# *Goals of the Performance Modeling Efforts*

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- **Test various aspects affecting ring performance for various proposals**
- **Investigate fairness, congestion control, admission control, QoS**
- **Investigate various access methods for the ring**
- **Investigate Ring restoration performance**
- **Analyze performance stability**

# *Scenarios*

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- **Configuration Variables:**
  - **Node count**
  - **Span distance**
  - **Data rate**
    - **On the ring and ingress/egress ports)**
  - **Mesh configurations for:**
    - **Campus, Metro, WAN**

# *Scenarios ...*

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- **Aggregation / Traffic Patterns**
    - **Tier1 ISP**
    - **Tier2 ISP**
    - **MSO (multi-service operator)**
    - **Metro Customer**
    - **Pop**
- (with corresponding ingress/egress data rates)**

# *Modeling parameters*

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- **Number of flows**
- **Burstiness (traffic profiles)**
- **Packetization delay**
- **MTU**
- **PHY modeling characteristics**



# *Traffic Types*

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- **Data (normally using TCP)**
  - ftp, http
- **Multimedia (normally using UDP)**
  - Time-sensitive / time insensitive
- **Multicast**
- **Traffic characteristics :**
  - Rates, packet size, destination and priority distributions

# *Metrics*

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- **Global Ring Metrics:**
  - **Link utilization**
  - **Global throughput / Goodput**
  - **Fairness, congestion control, admission control**
  - **Fault recovery (link, span, node)**
    - **Stabilization time**
    - **Switching time**

# *Metrics ...*

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- **Per class and per conversation metrics:**
  - **Packet Loss (ingress/egress/other?)**
  - **End-to-End Packet Delay**
    - **Including jitter for time sensitive traffic**
    - **Access Delay**
  - **Throughput**
  - **Fairness**

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# *Objectives*

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- **Establish starting point for simulation scenarios (subset of metrics presented before)**
- **Simulations to compare performance characteristics of RPR vs. Ethernet**

# *Suggestions for Starting Simulation Scenarios*

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- **Testing Basic Ring Parameters**
  - **Ring Performance**
  - **Congestion Control**
  - **Fairness**

# *Suggestions for Later Simulation Scenarios*

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- **Comparison of RPR vs. Ethernet Switches**
  - **Performance characteristics**
  - **Switch-over characteristics**  
(I believe that this is needed now?)
- **Spatial reuse**

# *Ring Performance*

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- **Metrics:**
  - **Link utilization under heavy loads**
    - **Flow control overhead**
  - **Global throughput**

# *Congestion Control*

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- **Metrics:**
  - **Throughput in the presence of congestion**
    - **Per class**
    - **Per node**
    - **Per conversation (or flow)**

# Fairness

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- **Metrics:**
  - **Throughput and end-to-end packet delay and jitter:**
    - Per class
    - Per node
    - Per conversation (or flow)
- **Need scenarios that demonstrate fairness in overload conditions**

# *Suggested Starting Configuration*

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- **Dual Ring**
- **16 nodes (0 - 15)?**
- **Ring running under capacity and well as over capacity (overload)**
- **Ring circumference (100Km, 1000Km)?**
- **Ring rate: 10G**

# *Suggested Starting Applications*

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- **Hub application**
  - **50% of the traffic is generated by all nodes and flows to the hub node (let's say node #15)**
  - **50% of the traffic is generated by the hub node and flows to all the other nodes**

# *Suggested Starting Applications ...*

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- **Random source/destination pairs**
  - **Would demonstrate spatial reuse effect better than hub application**
  - **Need to come up with some common way of generating the random source/dest pairs**



# *Suggested Traffic Scenarios*

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- **Scenario #1:**
  - **Multimedia**
    - **Using UDP**
    - **No upper layer protocol**
- **Scenario #2 (later)**
  - **Data (using TCP)**



# *Suggested Traffic Scenarios ...*

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- **Scenario #3 (later):**

**Mix of:**

- **Data (using TCP)**

- **Multimedia:**

- **Using UDP**

- **No upper layer protocol**

# *Suggested Traffic Characteristics*

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- **Packet size distributions (probabilistic):**
  - **Trimodal (40% 64B, 40% 512B, 20% 1518B)**
  - **Bimodal (50% 64B, 50% 9KB)**
- **Committed rate per node**
  - **30% of ring capacity / # nodes**
  - **60% of ring capacity / # nodes**

# *Suggested Traffic Characteristics ...*



- **Offered load**
  - **Each node provides load of:**
    - **200% of ring capacity / # nodes**
  - **Staggered traffic input for each port**
- **Traffic distribution**
  - **10 conversations (flows) per node**
  - **On/Off with staggering period**
    - **Needs to be quantified in more detail**

# *Suggested Simulation output results*

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- **Throughput**
- **ETE delay**
- **Jitter (99.9th percentile of delays)**
- **For all output results:**
  - **Show curves and numbers**
  - **Per node, per class, per conversation**



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## *Next Steps*

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- **Separate breakout session for Performance Adhoc**
- **Presentations showing performance characteristics of proposals**
- **Presentations comparing performance characteristics of RPR rings vs. Ethernet rings**
- **Other suggestions?**

# *Discussions*

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# *Perf Adhoc Discussions*

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- **Lunch meeting (8 attended)**
- **Discuss objectives and work to be done**
- **Discuss some of the open issues raised during the performance presentation**
- **Discuss next steps**

# *Perf Adhoc Discussions*

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## **Discussions on:**

- **Modeling tools**
- **Convergence of simulation results (length of simulations)**
- **Availability of models from various vendors**
- **Traffic input characterization**

# *Perf Adhoc Discussions*

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- **Architectural/behavioral abstractions needed for each RPR proposal**
- **Reference model (?)**
- **Understand the effect of various architectural aspects instead of various vendor implementations**

# *Perf Adhoc Discussions ...*

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## Objectives:

- **Set parameters, metrics, scenarios to help provide a consistent way of comparing architectural ideas**
- **Not chartered to run simulations for the working group**

# *Perf Adhoc Discussions ...*

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## Resolution of open issues:

### Packet size distributions (probabilistic):

#### – Trimodal

- (60% 64B, 20% 512B, 20% 1518B)

#### – Quadmodal (?)

- (50% 64B, 15% 512B, 15% 1518B, 20% 9K)

# *Perf Adhoc Discussions ...*

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## **Unresolved issues:**

### **Starting scenarios options:**

- **Using UDP**
- **No upper layer protocol**
- **Data using TCP**
- **Combination?**

# *Perf Adhoc Discussions ...*

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## Step #2

- **Scenarios to include:**
  - **2 node rings**
  - **3 node rings**
  - **Multiple rings**

# *Perf Adhoc Discussions ...*

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## Unaddressed issues:

- **Input traffic arrival distribution**

# *Perf Adhoc Conclusions*

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- **Too many open issues to start simulations based on the recommendations of the perf adhoc group**
- **Request 2 sessions in March (4 hours each)**
- **Discussions on the RPR reflector between now and March**