

IEEE802.3aq Channel model ad-hoc

Task2: TP3 - ISI Generator Block for Stressed Sensitivity Test

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1. ISI Generator Block for Stressed Sensitivity Test

Initial Goals

- different impulse response shapes will exercise actual equalizers in different ways, more than one “synthetic” stressor will likely be needed,
- PIE-L and PIE-D are a good metric for fiber pulse response evaluation,
- we can group the modelled channel responses into groups such as precursor-heavy, quasi-symmetrical, and postcursor-heavy (can be a mirror image of precursor-heavy),
- analysis of three possible implementations (BT LPF, two peak impulse response, and three peak impulse response) as proposed in [aronson_2_0704],
- define reference fibre pulse response to be used for analysis based on available channel models (see Note 1),
- define optimum pulse shape to be used for two or three peak impulse response,
- find a minimum range of values for A_1 , A_2 and Δt and A_0 , A_1 , A_2 , Δt_1 and Δt_2 , respectively, that will satisfy the majority of impulse response as defined by the channel model.

Note 1: We have to start with a limited number of selected fibres in order to understand the feasibility of implementation and how many sets of variables have to be defined. We can decide if we want to cover all channels or limited number of significant cases, based on the complexity and importance.

Note 2: The analysis, based on the initial goals, has been presented in the conference calls and the results can be found in channel_tp3.pdf.

2. ISI Generator Block for Stressed Sensitivity Test

Evaluation methodology

- evaluate the possibility of using a BT LPF for ISI generator block.
- select a limited number of fibres with performance at the limit allowed in the current link budget. I will use representative fibres from the 65 fibres (Cambridge model, 300m) having PIE-L values between 4 and 5 dB).
- the use of 300m models instead of 220m will give the margin for other impairments not accounted for (connectors, transmitter and receiver nonlinearities).
- use pulse shapes that can be generated in the lab with minimal new equipment.
- optimize A1, A2, and Δt (A0, A1, A2, $\Delta t1$ and $\Delta t2$) for minimum square error (MSE), with reasonable resolution (2 or 3 digits).
- the optimization will be based on minimizing the peak error (errpk) and the relative error signal area (PSR)

$$\text{errpk} = \frac{|p(t) - s(t)|_{pk}}{|p(t)|_{pk}}, \text{ where } p(t) \text{ is the fibre pulse response and } s(t) \text{ is the stressor}$$

$$\text{PSR} = 10 \times \log \left(\frac{\int_t |p(t)|^2 dt}{\int_t |p(t) - s(t)|^2 dt} \right)$$

- the initial resolution step for Δt is 5ps.
- for a given set of amplitudes and delay times, we can calculate the effective errpk and PSR.

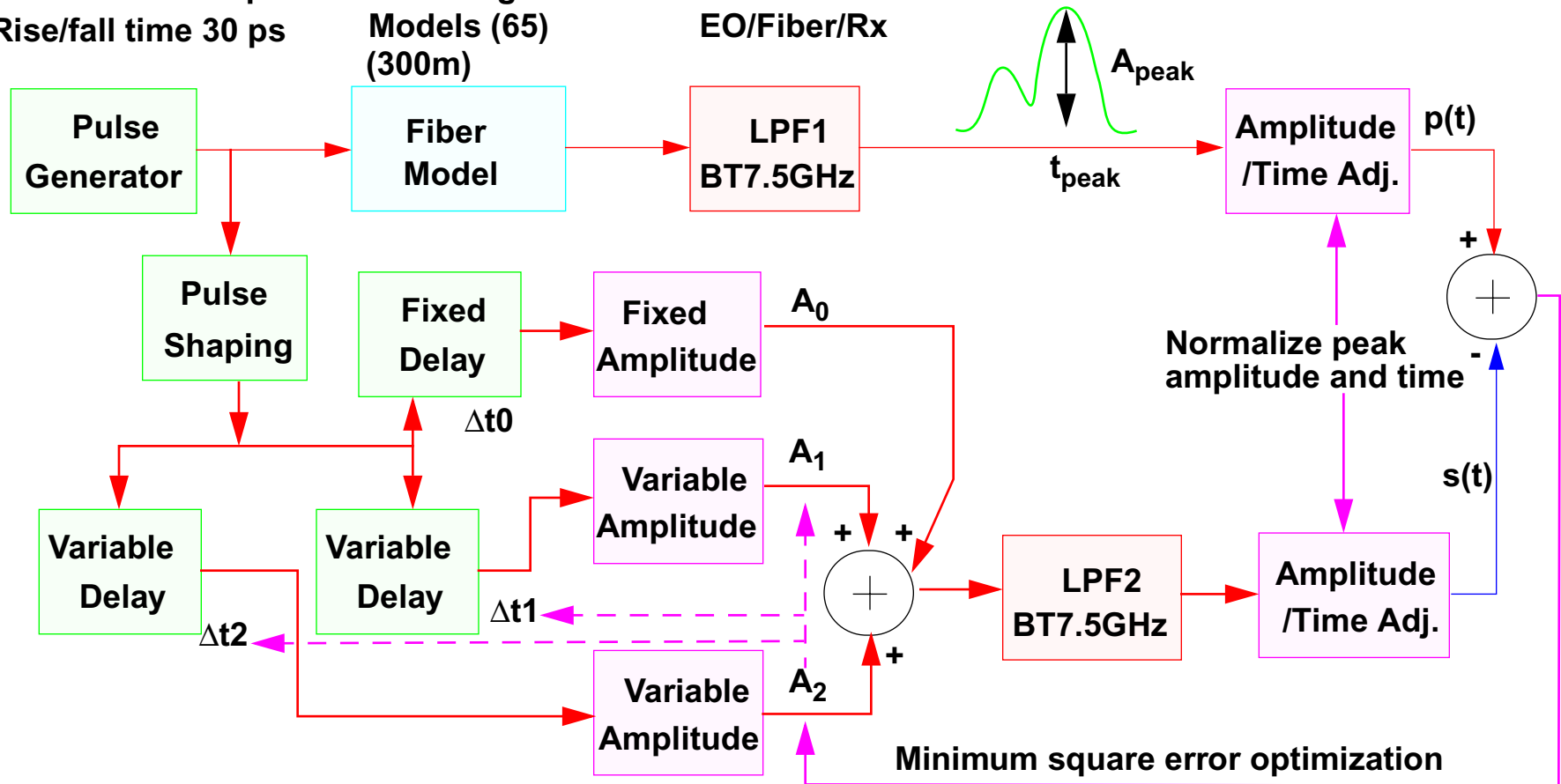
3. Three peak impulse response ISI generator block

Simulation Environment

Pulse width 100 ps
Rise/fall time 30 ps

Cambridge
Models (65)
(300m)

EO/Fiber/Rx



There are three delay blocks in the simulation environment. We can adjust Δt_1 and Δt_2 relative to Δt_0 such that the two peaks can be symmetrical relative to the main pulse A_0 , or on the same side (pre-cursor or post-cursor).

4. ISI Generator Block using Three Peak Impulse Response Approximation

- The simulation environment is shown in slide 4.
- The pulse shaping circuit is a Low Pass Filter BT 9 GHz, forcing the rise and fall times (20% to 80%) to be ~30 ps.
- Two Low Pass Filters (LPF1 and LPF2) BT 7.5 GHz are used to model the receiver (ROSA). The pulse responses and the respective synthesised pulse responses are evaluated at the receiver output.
- The optimization algorithm is based on minimum square error, or maximum PSR as defined on slide 3. If more than one set of values is found, the set of values with minimum peak error (errpk, as defined in slide 3) will be used.
- Two sets of values, normalized forcing A_0 to 1, and A_1 and A_2 lower than 1 (no amplification) and normalized forcing A_0 to 1 and Δt_0 to 0, as proposed in [aronson_2_0704], have been discussed.
- One alternative is to select only a limited number of pulse responses (possible 3, quasi-symmetrical, post-cursor and pre-cursor type pulse response) and have the ISI block generator with fixed delays and amplitudes.

Fiber	type	A0	A1	A2	Δt_0 [ps]	Δt_1 [ps]	Δt_2 [ps]
f18o17	post-cursor	1	0.51	0.325	0	110	240
f48o17	pre-cursor	1	2.907	1.39	0	280	155
f42o20	symmetrical	1	1.063	0.606	0	60	115

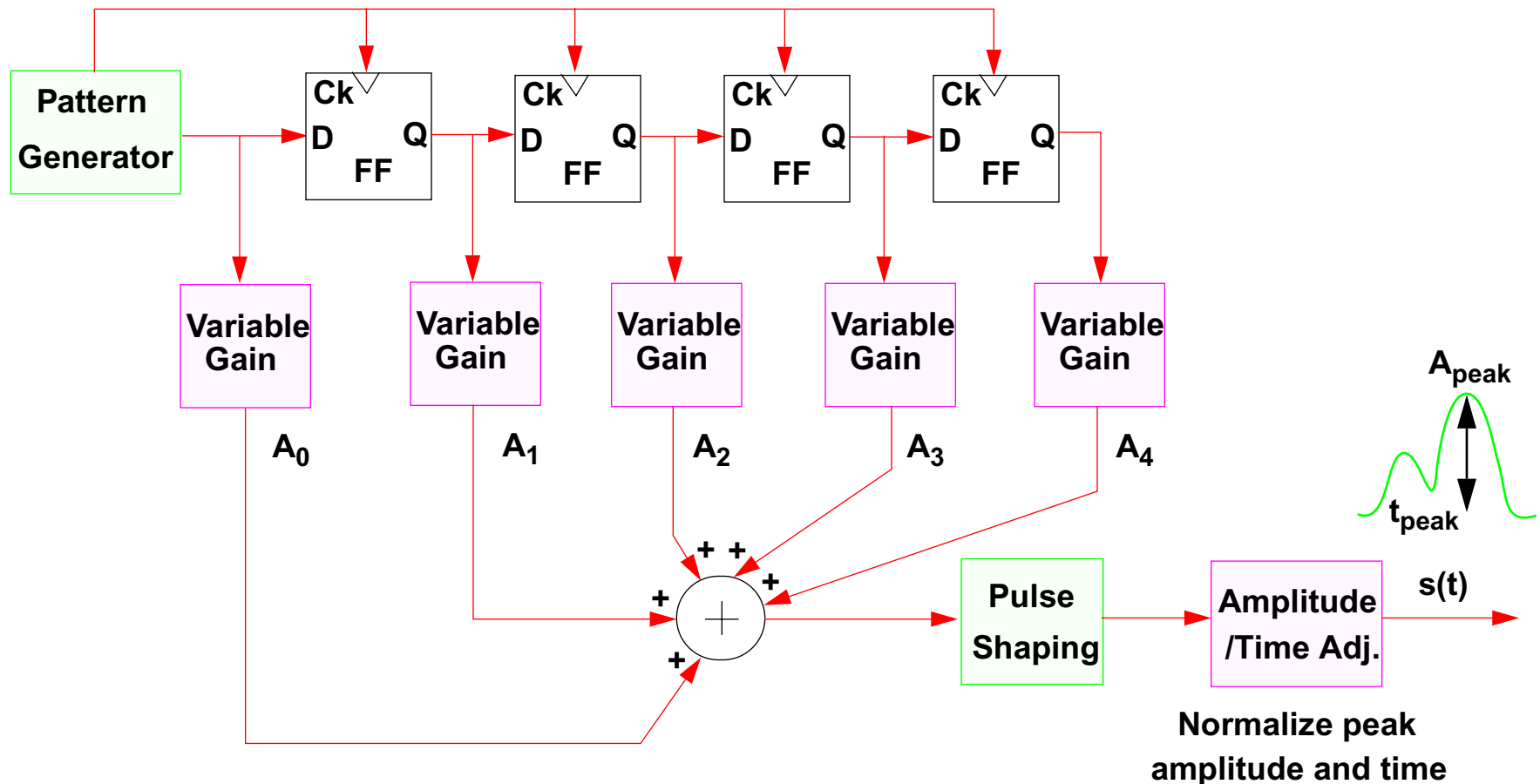
- This is a summary of results reviewed in the conference calls (channel_tp3.pdf, posted in the public area). The results have shown that is possible to generate the desired impulse response using three peak ISI generator block.
- In the conference call, a request was made to find a solution that has fixed delays and variable amplitudes. This solution will be presented in the following slides.

5. ISI Generator Block Using Fixed Delay and Variable Amplitudes

- The ISI Generator Block implementation can be simplified using fixed delays. One simple implementation is to use 1 UI delay circuits.
- The implementation becomes more robust if we use flip-flops to implement the delay circuits. The results are less dependent on the instrument used. The stressor generation is fully controlled in the ISI generator block.
- The amplitude error will have a single source (variable gain stages) and will can be better controlled.
- The precursor-heavy and postcursor-heavy type impulse responses of interest (PIE_L between 4 and 5 dB) have a pulse width of ~ 5 UI. The most accurate implementation will require pulses.
- The analysis will review the results for 3, 4, and 5 pulses.
- The optimization will be based on minimizing the peak error (errpk) and the relative error signal area (PSR), same as the optimization algorithm used for three peak ISI Generator Block.
- The P_LE and P_DFE comparison (fiber pulse response and stressor pulse response) will be reviewed for evaluation.

6. DFE Based ISI Generator Block for Stressed Sensitivity Test

Simulation Environment



- The analysis will include three, four and five taps stressor generation.
- Minimum square error will be used for optimization.
- The pulse shaping circuit will be the same BT 9GHz, forcing rise and fall times (20% to 80%) to be ~30 ps and having good phase linearity for no additional pattern dependent jitter.

7. Optimization Results

Table 1: Five taps stressor results

Fiber	type	A_0 $\Delta t=0$	A_1 $\Delta t=1$ UI	A_2 $\Delta t=2$ UI	A_3 $\Delta t=3$ UI	A_4 $\Delta t=4$ UI	PSR [dB]	P_LE error	P_DFE error
f18o17	post-cursor	1	0.39	0.25	0.125	0.047	25.9	-8%	-7%
f48o17	pre-cursor	0.077	0.19	0.3	0.46	1	19	+2%	-3%
f42o20	symmetrical	0	0.19	1	0.45	0	18.3	+26%	+19%

Table 2: Four taps stressor results

Fiber	type	A_0 $\Delta t=0$	A_1 $\Delta t=1$ UI	A_2 $\Delta t=2$ UI	A_3 $\Delta t=3$ UI	PSR [dB]	P_LE error	P_DFE error
f18o17	post-cursor	1	0.39	0.25	0.125	23	-19%	-11%
f48o17	pre-cursor	0.19	0.3	0.46	1	16.5	-7.2%	-7.2%
f42o20	symmetrical	0	0.19	1	0.45	18.3	+26%	+19%

Table 3: Three taps stressor results

Fiber	type	A_0 $\Delta t=0$	A_1 $\Delta t=1$ UI	A_2 $\Delta t=2$ UI	PSR [dB]	P_LE error	P_DFE error
f18o17	post-cursor	1	0.39	0.25	17	-36%	-22%
f48o17	pre-cursor	0.282	0.41	1	12.6	-28%	-21%
f42o20	symmetrical	0.19	1	0.45	18.3	+26%	+19%

8. Summary

- An optimization methodology, based on minimum square error and minimum peak error, has been developed and used to evaluate different solutions for ISI Generator Block for Stressed Sensitivity Test.
- A group of fibres, having the PIE_L between 4 and 5 dB, has been selected from the Cambridge models (65 fibres, 300m) to investigate the accuracy of stressor pulse response.
- The fourth order low pass filter BT 2.3 GHz is a good approximation for quasi-symmetrical pulse response fibres, with PSR values between 16 dB and 23 dB.
- Three peak impulse ISI block generator can be used for stressed sensitivity test, assuming that the delays and amplitudes can be made programmable.
- A summary of simulation results using a five, four, and three tap DFE based ISI generator block for stressed sensitivity test and three fibre pulse responses (precursor-heavy, quasi-symmetrical, and postcursor-heavy) have been presented.
- The results for the three tap stressor generator are marginal.
- Adding the fourth tap, results in significant improvement for precursor-heavy and postcursor-heavy type pulse response.
- As expected the five tap DFE gives the best results.