Change to ifsStretchRatio

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Definition is essentially:

Reduce bit rate by 8/n, where n is ifsStretchRatio

Works OK for large n

Fine granularity where rates are closely matched

Breaks down for n <6

Lowest rate is 12.5%, very granular for low rates

Needs enhanced method for operation at <75%

3 possibilities

1. Change definition to n/m

2 variables: ratio enumerator and denominator (practically) infinite resolution and range

2. Change to a real/floating (or pseudo real) definition

1 real/floating variable (probably not useful) or ...

... 2 variables: ratio exponent and mantissa

Could be restriction on enumerator values (power of 2)

3. Change enumerator to a larger (fixed) value Simple, fixed integer multiply in current definition e.g. 1024/n => ~1% @ 10:1 ratio



... or comments

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Proposed task force resolution

Change rate control mechanism:

- 1. Define ratio as enumerator and denominator
- ... or
- 2. Define ratio as exponent and mantissa
- ... or
- 3. Define ratio as higher number divided by "n"