

# Annex 83B

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## PMA Sublayer Partitioning Examples

### 83B.1 Overview

Implementations may be partitioned into between one and four PMA sublayers, as described in 83.1.4. This Annex provides examples of possible implementation partitioning.

### 83B.2 PMA Partitioning Examples

The following subclauses provide various partitioning examples. The example of FEC implemented in a separate device from either the PCS or the PMD is illustrated in Figure 83–2.

#### 83B.2.1 Single PMA sublayer without FEC

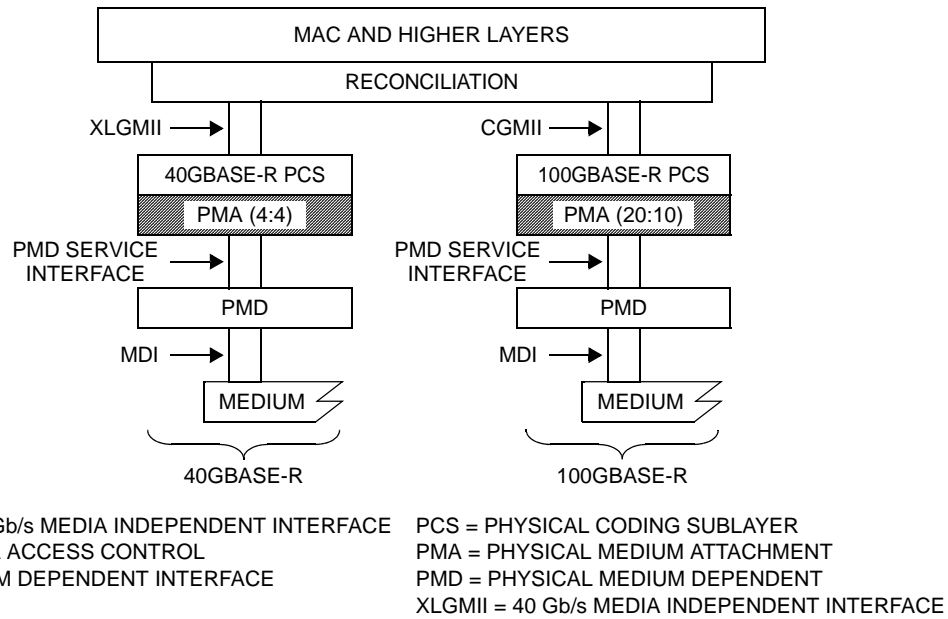


Figure 83B–1—Example Single PMA Sublayer without FEC

### 83B.2.2 FEC Implemented with PCS

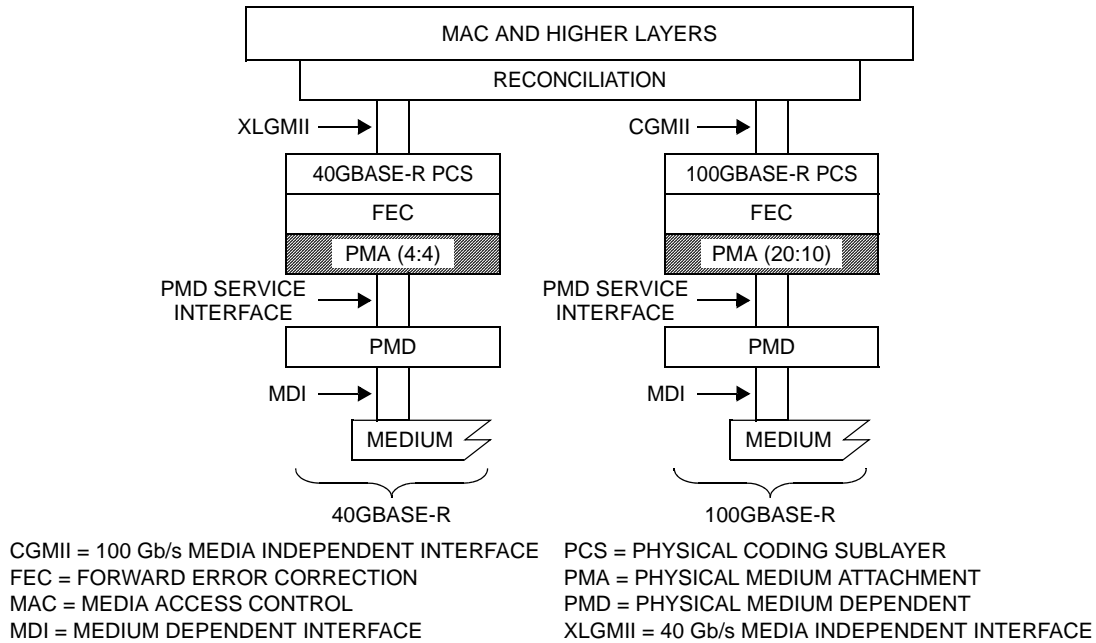
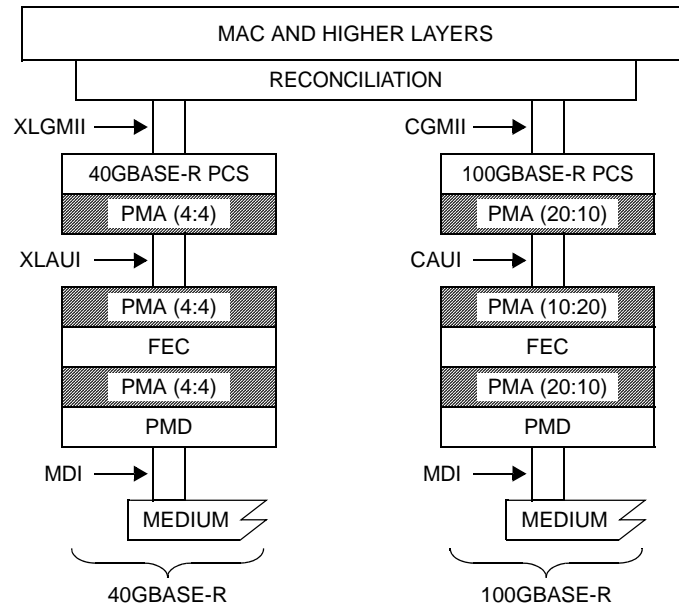


Figure 83B-2—Example FEC implemented with PCS

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### 83B.2.3 FEC implemented with PMD



CAUI = 100 Gb/s ATTACHMENT UNIT INTERFACE  
 CGMII = 100 Gb/s MEDIA INDEPENDENT INTERFACE  
 FEC = FORWARD ERROR CORRECTION  
 MAC = MEDIA ACCESS CONTROL  
 MDI = MEDIUM DEPENDENT INTERFACE

PCS = PHYSICAL CODING SUBLAYER  
 PMA = PHYSICAL MEDIUM ATTACHMENT  
 PMD = PHYSICAL MEDIUM DEPENDENT  
 XLAUI = 40 Gb/s ATTACHMENT UNIT INTERFACE  
 XLGMII = 40 Gb/s MEDIA INDEPENDENT INTERFACE

**Figure 83B-3—Example 40GBASE-R and 100GBASE-R PMA layering**

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### 83B.2.4 Separate SERDES for optical module interface

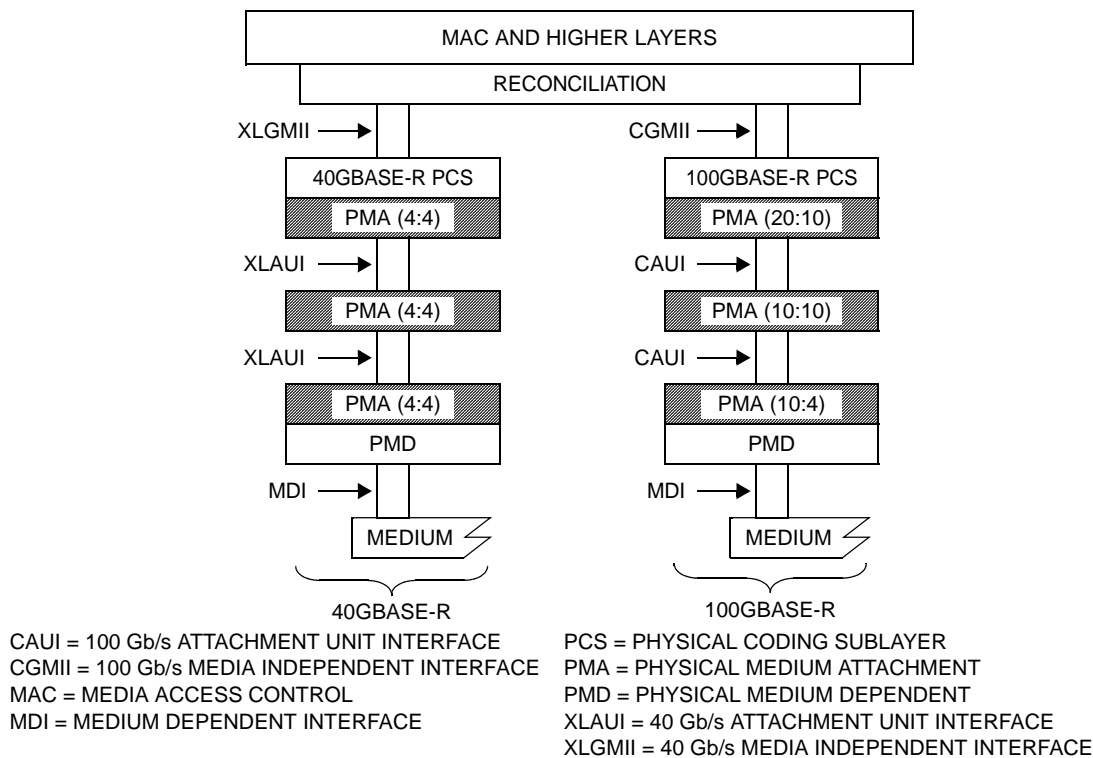


Figure 83B-4—Example 40GBASE-R and 100GBASE-R PMA layering

### 83B.3 Future Partitioning

*[Editor's note (to be removed prior to publication) Do we want to describe future partitioning possibilities as part of the informative Annex? In particular, examples including 25G signaling for a 2nd generation CAUI]*

A future generation CAUI may be based on four lanes of 25G signaling. This introduces additional partitioning possibilities that are supported by the 802.3ba architecture.

### 83B.3.1 Simple 2nd Generation CAUI

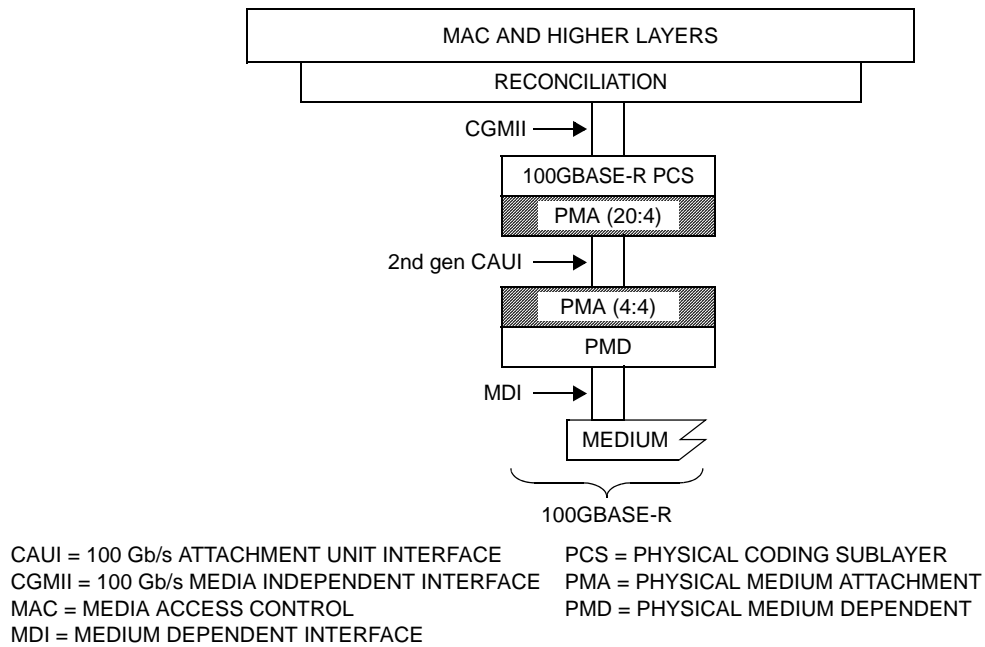
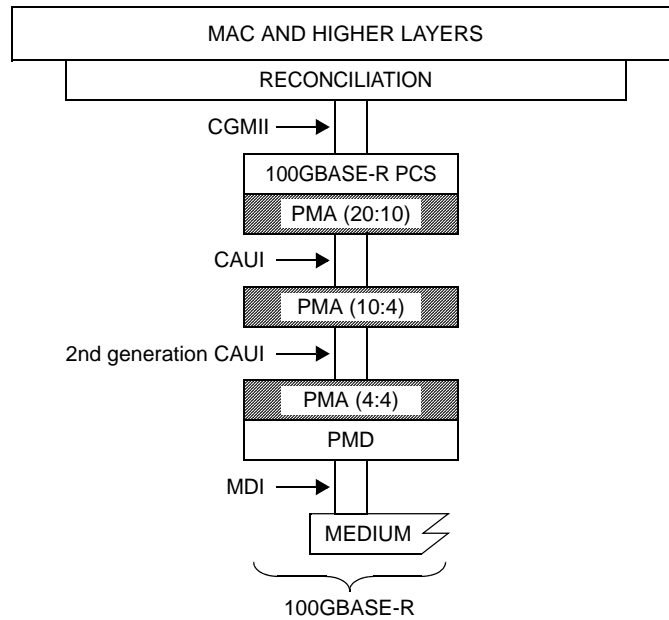


Figure 83B-5—Simple 2nd generation CAUI

### 83B.3.2 2nd generation CAUI for optical module interface with separate SERDES



CAUI = 100 Gb/s ATTACHMENT UNIT INTERFACE      PCS = PHYSICAL CODING SUBLAYER  
CGMII = 100 Gb/s MEDIA INDEPENDENT INTERFACE      PMA = PHYSICAL MEDIUM ATTACHMENT  
MAC = MEDIA ACCESS CONTROL      PMD = PHYSICAL MEDIUM DEPENDENT  
MDI = MEDIUM DEPENDENT INTERFACE

Figure 83B-6—2nd generation CAUI optical module interface, separate SERDES

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