# Resource Blocks for EPoC Considerations 

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## RB Size - Current Status in 802.3bn

- Size in number of symbols (M)
- Configurable and TBD
- Size in number of subcarriers ( N )
- Three options are specified: 1,4,8
- Configurable
- Pilot spacing
- Configurable 1,2,4,8
- This presentation proposes values for the number of symbols and pilot patterns

- Data is written horizontally (subcarrier by subcarrier) and read vertically (symbol by symbol)
- Time interleaving of codewords


## Number of OFDMA Symbols in a RB

- Considerations
- To increase number of symbols
- Performance with burst noise
- Improves with longer interleaver
- Pilots overhead
- Pilots are transmitted on two symbols in the RB
- Increasing the number of symbols reduces latency
- To decrease number of symbols
- Latency
- Granularity overhead
- Granularity overhead is a function of both number of symbols and number of subcarriers
- For a specific number of subcarriers more symbols means higher overhead


## Performance with Burst Noise

- Table shows burst noise durations and levels to be considered
- Assumed to represent worst case conditions in the upstream
- With simulated burst noise an Interleaver depth of 16 with 20uSec symbols and 11 with 40 uSec is required
- Corresponding Interleaver latency ( CP size $=2.0 \mathrm{uSec}$ ) is 374 uSec and 462 uSec for 20 u and 40 u symbols

| Burst noise | Duration <br> (uSec) | SNR <br> (dB) | Interleaver <br> Depth <br> (20uS <br> symbols | Interleaver <br> Depth <br> (40uS <br> symbols |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Upstream | 10 | 10 | 16 | 11 |
|  | 1 | 0 | 16 | 8 |

## Overhead due to Pilots

- Assume pilots every $1,2,4$ or 8 subcarriers with 20 uSec symbols
- Two pilots in a subcarrier with pilots to protect against burst noise
- Overhead vs. number of symbols equals $2 / L$
- $L$ is the multiplication of the pilot spacing with the number of symbols
- With a pilots spacing of 8 subcarriers
- Overhead with 8 symbols is $3.1 \%$
- Overhead with 12 symbols is $2 \%$
- Overhead with 16 symbols is $1.5 \%$
- Below 8 symbols overhead becomes significant, in particular with the more dense pilot patterns



## Additional Latency due to Interleaver Depth

- Assume additional latency due to Interleaving is twice the Interleaver depth
- With 20 uSec symbols additional latency is:
- ~ 350 uSec with 8 symbols
- ~ 530 uSec with 12 symbols
- ~ 750 uSec with 16 symbols



## Proposal for Number of Symbols in a Resource Block

- Allow three configurable options for the number of symbols (M) in a Resource Block
- Allow operators to trade-off between latency/overhead and performance with burst noise propose
- M values with 20 uSec symbols
- M=8 for low latency, burst noise support is weak
- $\mathrm{M}=16$ to protect against high level/long burst noise
- M=12 lower latency, burst noise support is mild
- Protect well against lower level burst noise
- All RBs in an OFDMA channel must have the same number of symbols


## Pilot Patterns (1)

- Pilot patterns are defined for the different RB sizes
- Pilot spacing (per current decision)
- Pilot every 1,2,4 or 8 subcarriers
- Less patterns is possible with cost in overhead or in robustness to frequency response variations
- Use edge and body pilot patterns
- To avoid extrapolation every burst starts with a pilot and ends with a pilot
- Every RB after exclusion starts with a pilot
- Two pilots used on every subcarrier with pilots to protect against burst noise that hit a symbol with pilots

|  | Body |
| :--- | :--- |
| 4 | Body |
| 4 | Body |
|  | Body |
|  | Edge |
|  | Body |
|  | Body |
|  | Edge |

## Pilot Patterns (2)

- Two pilots used on every subcarrier with pilots to protect against burst noise that hit a symbol with pilots
- Low density pilots are data REs with a lower order modulation
- Can be used to improve initial frequency and phase correction



## Pilot Patterns for 8-subcarrier RBs



- M can equal 8,12 or 16
- P - Pilots LD - Low Density pilots, blank RE for data


## Pilot Patterns for 4-subcarrier RBs

- Four pilot patterns are available

- M can equal 8,12 or 16
- P - Pilots LD - Low Density pilots, blank RE for data


## Pilot Patterns for a single subcarrier RBs

- Two pilot patterns are available

> Pattern-1 Pattern-2


- M can equal 8,12 or 16
- P - Pilots LD - Low Density pilots , blank RE for data


## Proposed Motion (1)

Move to:
Specify three options for the number of symbols in a Resource Block: 8, 12 and 16

Moved:
Seconded:

## Proposed Motion (2)

Move to:
Specify edge and body pilot patterns as described in slides 10-12 for EPoC FDD
Upstream

Moved:
Seconded:

