

# Data Rate Adaptation in EPoC

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# Summary

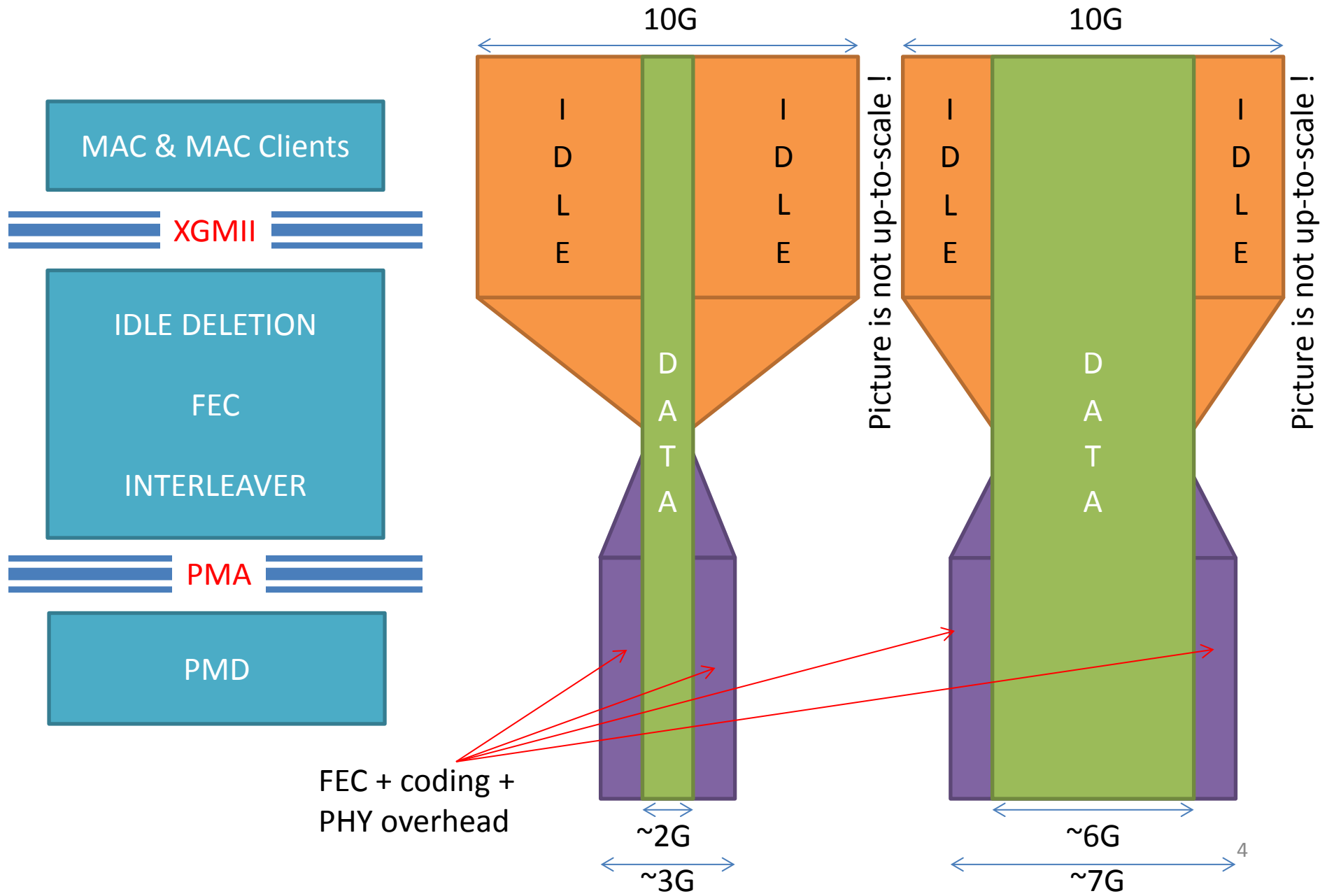
- This slide deck provides details about DRA function in EPoC, and illustrates detailed changes to 10G-EPON DRA function needed to support this function in EPoC, following on [2]
- It is suggested to include DRA in EPoC based on the outline presented in these slides

Note: For now only the basic functionality is covered, while more advanced features (like, e.g., code word shortening) will be treated in a separate presentation. Further revisions to description, overhead formulas, etc., will be needed over time.

Receive Direction in CLT/CNU

**DRA IN EPOC - RX**

# DRA in EPoC (in picture)



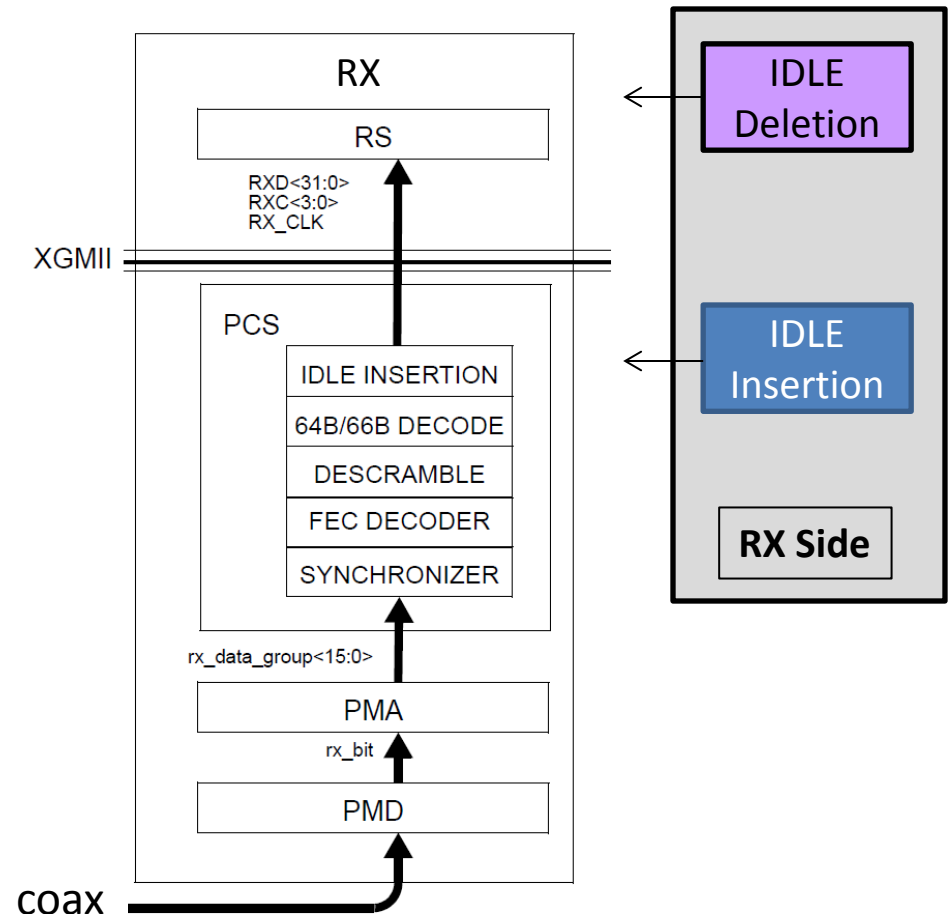
# IDLE handling in Rx direction (CNU/CLT)

## IDLE Deletion process

- Extra IDLEs are then removed above XGMII interface and complete Ethernet frames are then passed to respective MAC Clients.
- Data rate above MAC is equal to  $R_{\text{eff}}$ .

## IDLE Insertion process:

- FEC encoded packets arrive at PCS at the PMD rate and are fed into the FEC decoder. After removal of FEC parity, data rate becomes  $R_{\text{eff}}$ .
- Gaps between frames are filled with IDLEs to match XGMII data rate (data rate of  $R_{\text{MX}}$ ).



# IDLE Deletion (baseline I)

## IDLE Deletion process - objective

- Extra IDLEs are removed above XGMII interface and complete Ethernet frames are then passed to MAC Clients – this is part of normal Ethernet MAC operation
  - data rate above MAC is equal to  $R_{\text{eff}}$

## How is that achieved in 10G-EPON?

- The Reconciliation Sublayer (RS) processes incoming packets from the receiving PCS layer and selects the target MAC instance based on LLID contained in preamble
- IDLEs are discarded by MAC, and they never reach any MAC Client

## How it could be done in EPoC?

- Implementation of this function from 10G-EPON can be directly reused in EPoC – see IEEE Std 802.3, 76.2.6.1.3 for more details [1]

**Baseline proposal I:** IDLE Deletion in EPoC in Rx direction to use 10G-EPON IDLE Deletion mechanism per IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 76. This applies to both CLT and CNU sides.

# IDLE Insertion – Rx direction

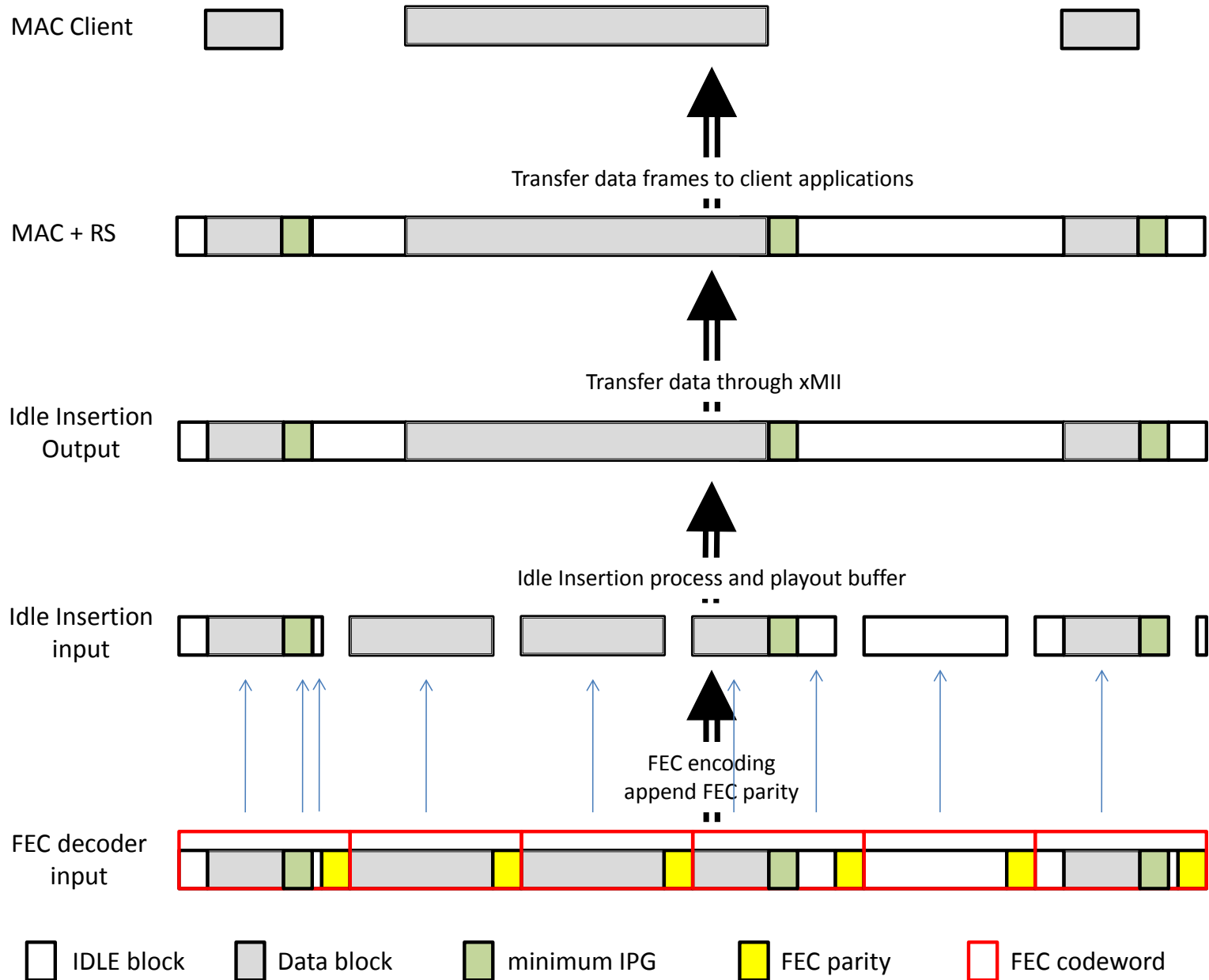
## IDLE Insertion process – objective

- FEC encoded packets arrive at PCS at the PMD rate and are fed into the FEC decoder at the RX side.
- After removal of FEC parity, data rate becomes  $R_{\text{eff}}$ . Gaps between frames are filled with IDLEs to achieve data rate of  $R_{\text{MX}}$  and match XGMII data rate.

## How is that achieved in 10G-EPON?

- Data leaving FEC decoder is bursty. FEC parity data was removed. Effective data rate is smaller than  $R_{\text{MX}}$ .
- Bursty data is then fed into the IDLE Insertion function, containing a play-out buffer. Data is inserted at  $R_{\text{eff}}$  and sent towards XGMII at  $R_{\text{MX}}$ .
- Difference between  $R_{\text{eff}}$  and  $R_{\text{MX}}$  is compensated by insertion of IDLE characters when play-out buffer becomes empty
- The next two slides demonstrate this process in a visual form

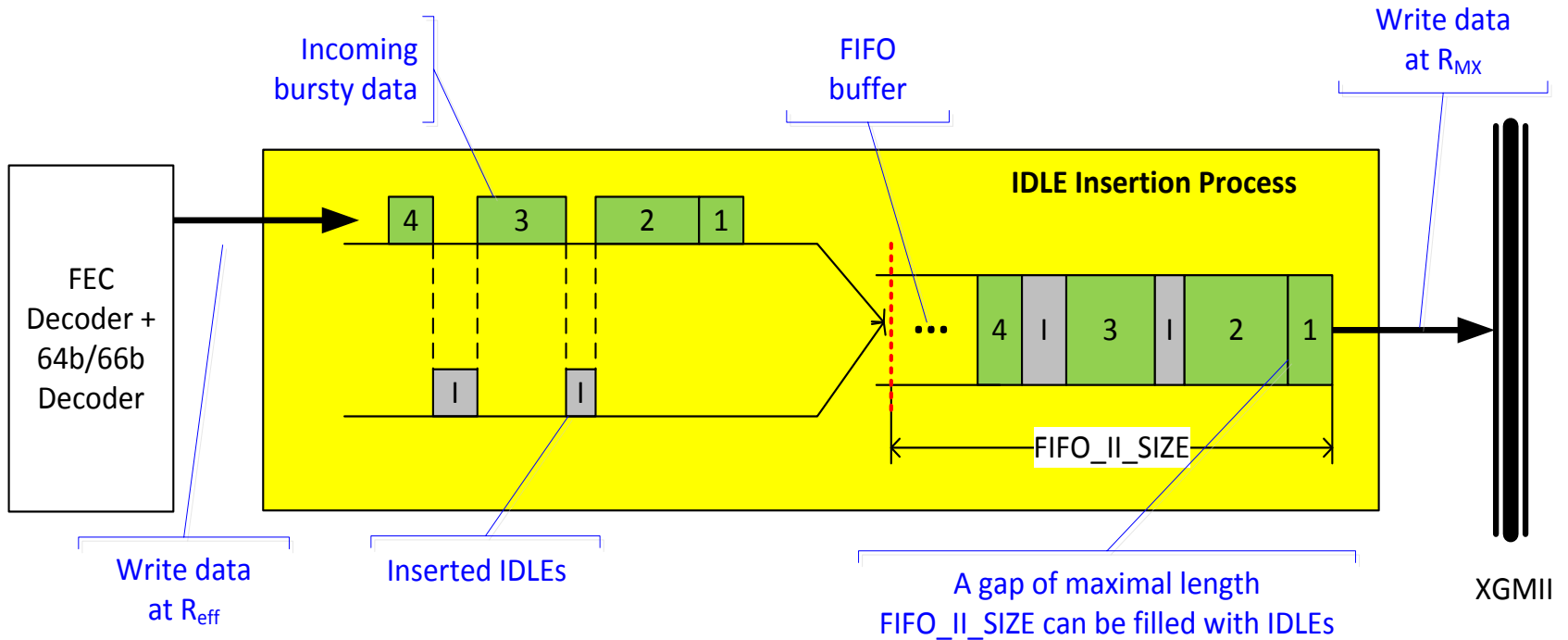
# IDLE Insertion (in picture)



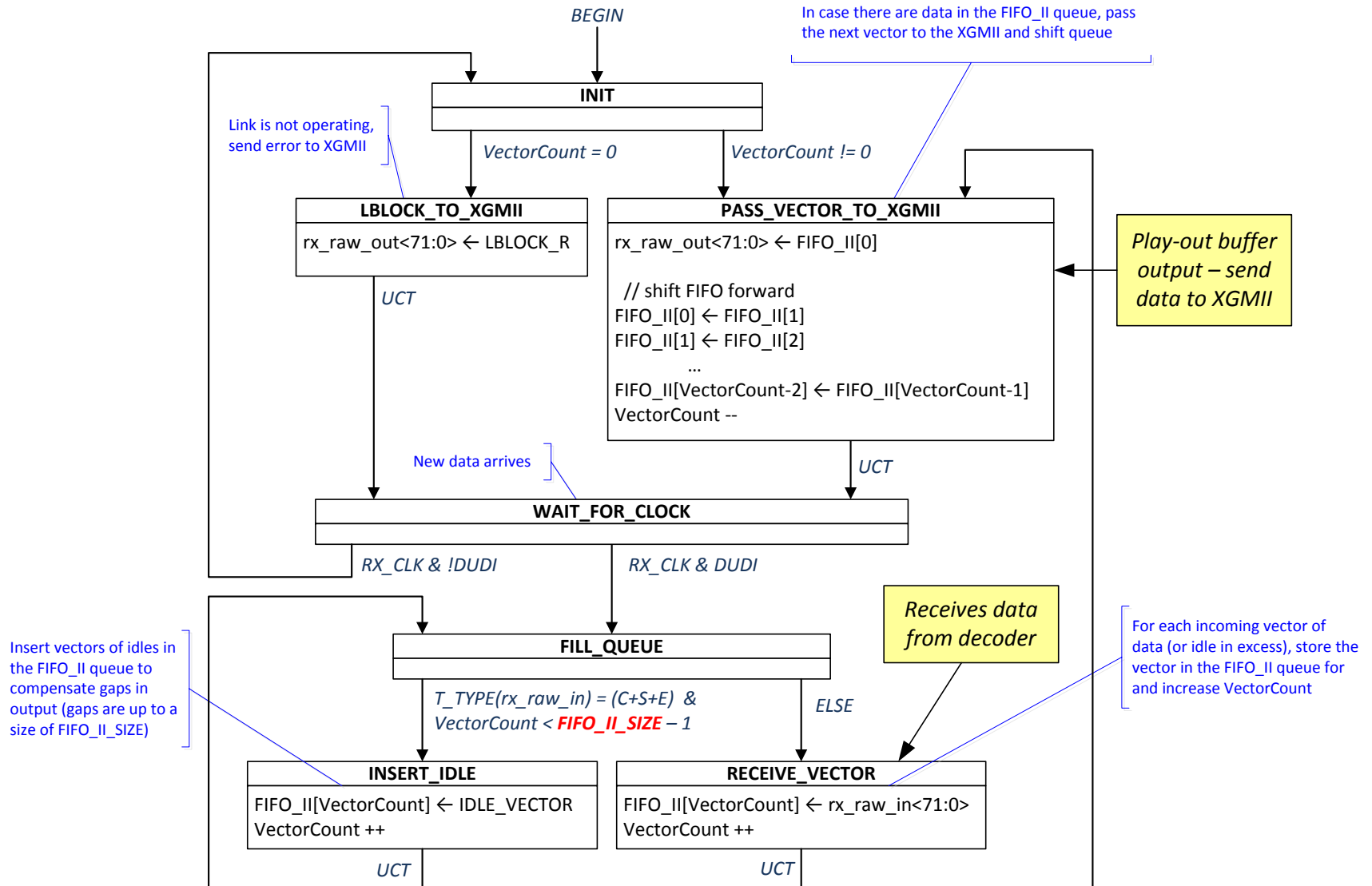


# IDLE Insertion

## (operation example)



# IDLE Insertion (SD)



# IDLE Insertion (baseline II)

## How it could be done in EPoC?

- Implementation of this function from 10G-EPON can be directly reused in EPoC – see IEEE Std 802.3 [1], 76.3.3.7 and Figure 76-23
- The size of the IDLE Insertion buffer (parameter *FIFO\_II\_SIZE*) will need to be defined, based on supported PHY rates and adopted FEC for DS and US
  - *FIFO\_II\_SIZE* needs to accommodate FEC and DRA for the largest possible gap that can be observed under normal operating conditions
  - Corresponds to the maximum-size frame at lowest coax rate and the associated FEC parity

**Baseline proposal II:** IDLE Insertion in the Rx direction reuses 10G-EPON design as defined in IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 76. The value for the *FIFO\_II\_SIZE* is TBD at this time, pending selection of FEC code and minimum coax data rate. This applies to both CLT and CNU.

# Straw Poll #1 and #2

**#1: IDLE Deletion in EPoC RS in Rx direction to use 10G-EPON IDLE Deletion mechanism per IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 76. This applies to both CLT and CNU sides.**

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**#2: IDLE Insertion in EPoC PCS in the Rx direction reuses 10G-EPON design as defined in IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 76. The value for FIFO\_II\_SIZE is TBD at this time, pending selection of FEC code and coax data rate. This applies to both CLT and CNU.**

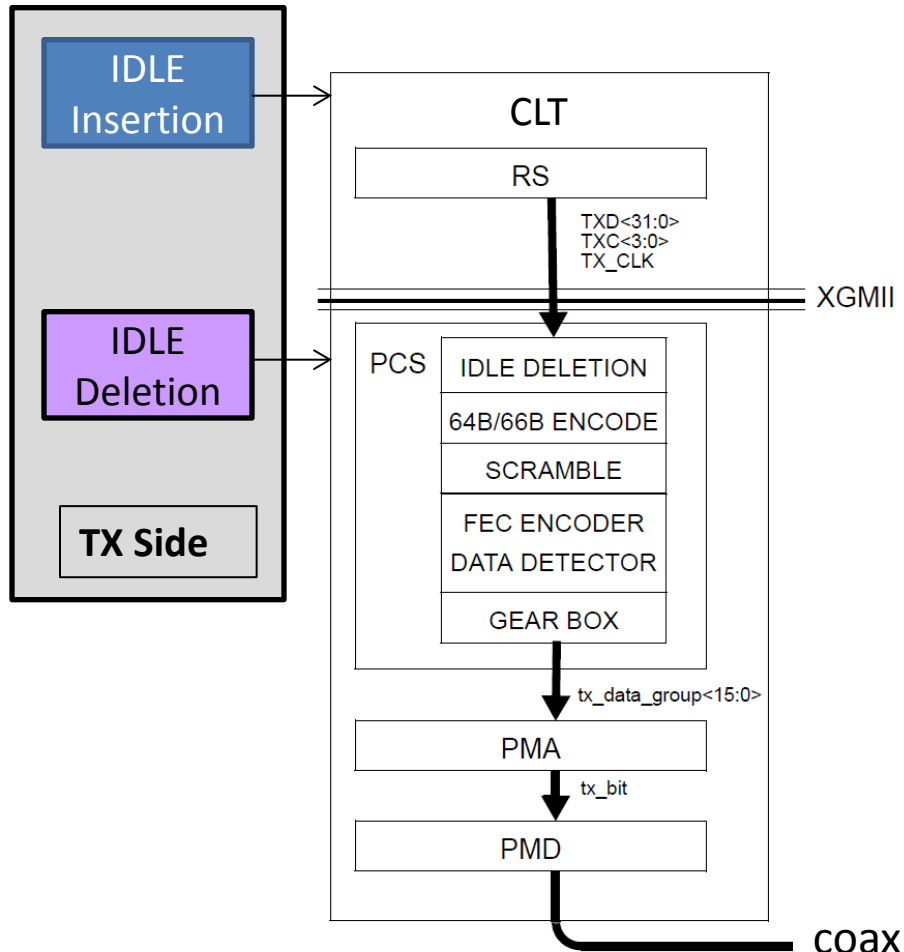
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Transmit Direction in CLT/CNU

**DRA IN EPOC - TX**

# Handling in the TX direction (CLT/CNU)



## IDLE Insertion process

- Packets are properly inserted (by the Multipoint Transmission Control) and filled with IDLEs by the MAC layer. MPMC keeps data rate at  $R_{\text{eff}}$ .
- In this way, a fixed rate of 10G is guaranteed by MAC for the XGMII interface ( $R_{\text{MX}}$ ). Extra IDLEs inserted by MAC create space for FEC parity bits and all PHY overhead in PMD

## IDLE Deletion process

- Extra IDLEs are then removed by the IDLE Deletion process inside the PCS (upper PHY stack) to match with PMD rate and include FEC parity bits.
- At the output of IDLE Deletion process, data rate is equal to  $R_{\text{eff}}$ .

# IDLE Insertion – TX Direction

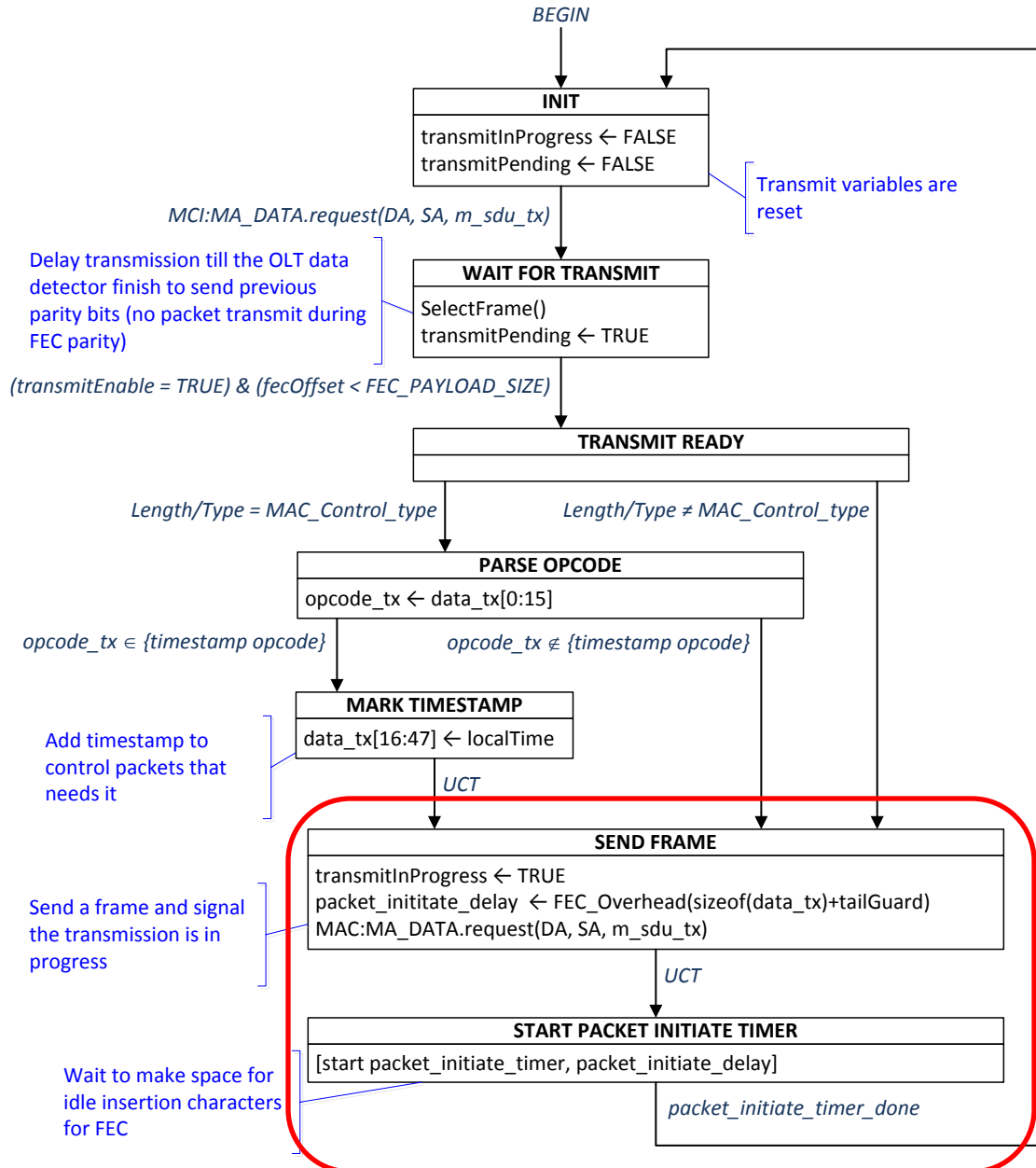
## **IDLE Insertion process - objective**

- Extra IDLEs are inserted above XGMII interface (by MPMC), in order to leave sufficient space for insertion of FEC parity in PCS and other PMD overhead

## **How is that achieved in 10G-EPON?**

- IDLE insertion is implemented for the TX direction by spacing packets at Multi-Point Control, so that MAC can insert IDLEs (see IEEE Std 802.3 [1], 77.2.2)
- Every time a packet is sent, a function called FEC\_Overhead is executed to compute any additional waiting time that needs to be considered for FEC parity insertion
  - The additional time is added on a per code word base, after the packet that completes the payload content of the code word
  - The packet and the FEC code word payload does not need to align, i.e. a packet can be carried by one or more FEC code words
  - See the next three slides for details

# EPON IDLE Insertion – OLT side



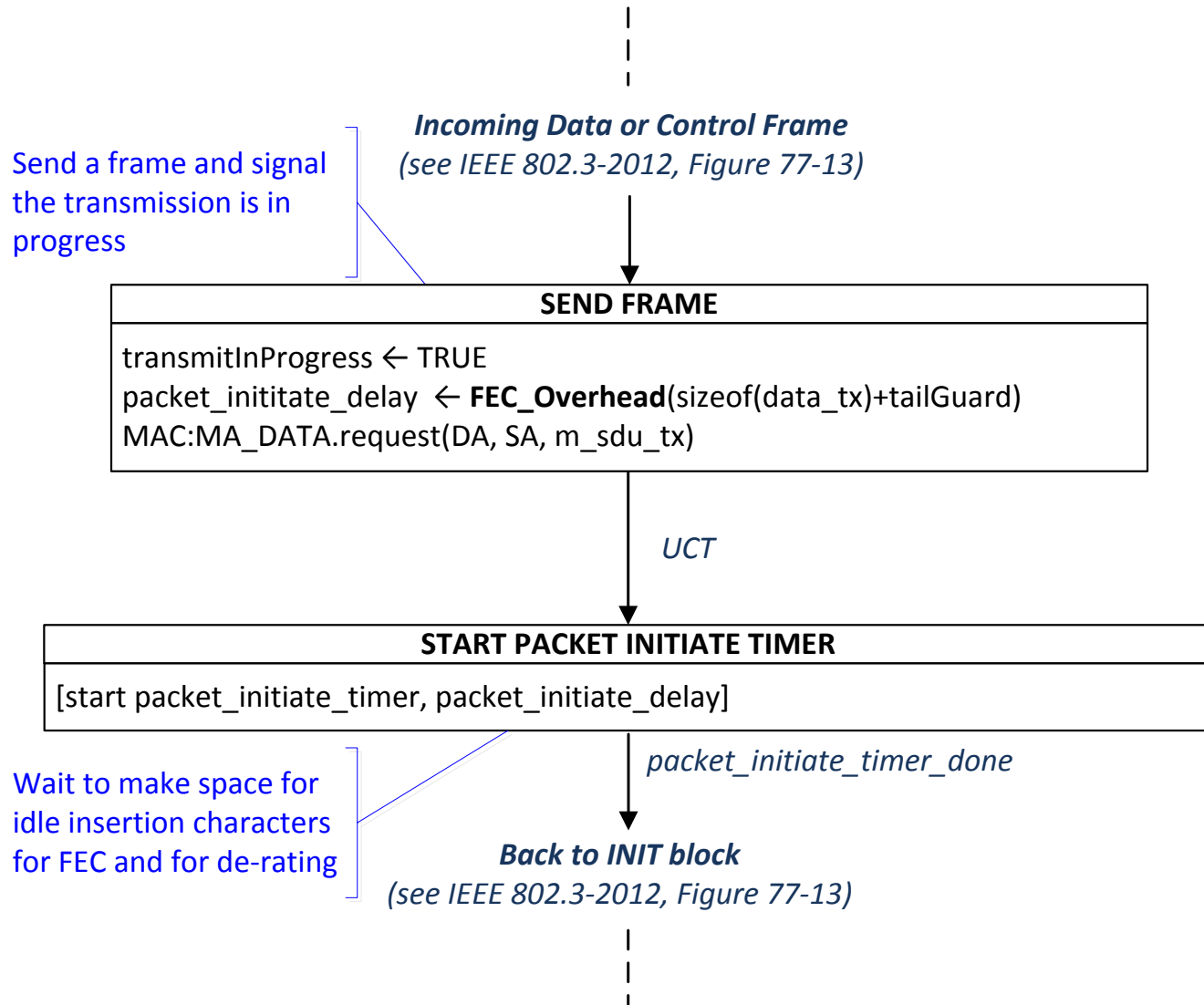
## Key remarks:

- A MAC Control instance gives back control after completing transmission
- A transmission includes the packet and could include additional space for parity
- The parity is added on a code word size base (not necessarily after each packet), by FEC\_Overhead function
- A packet is delayed till end of FEC parity transmission in case popping up outside FEC payload transmission (in order to avoid jitter after timestamp)

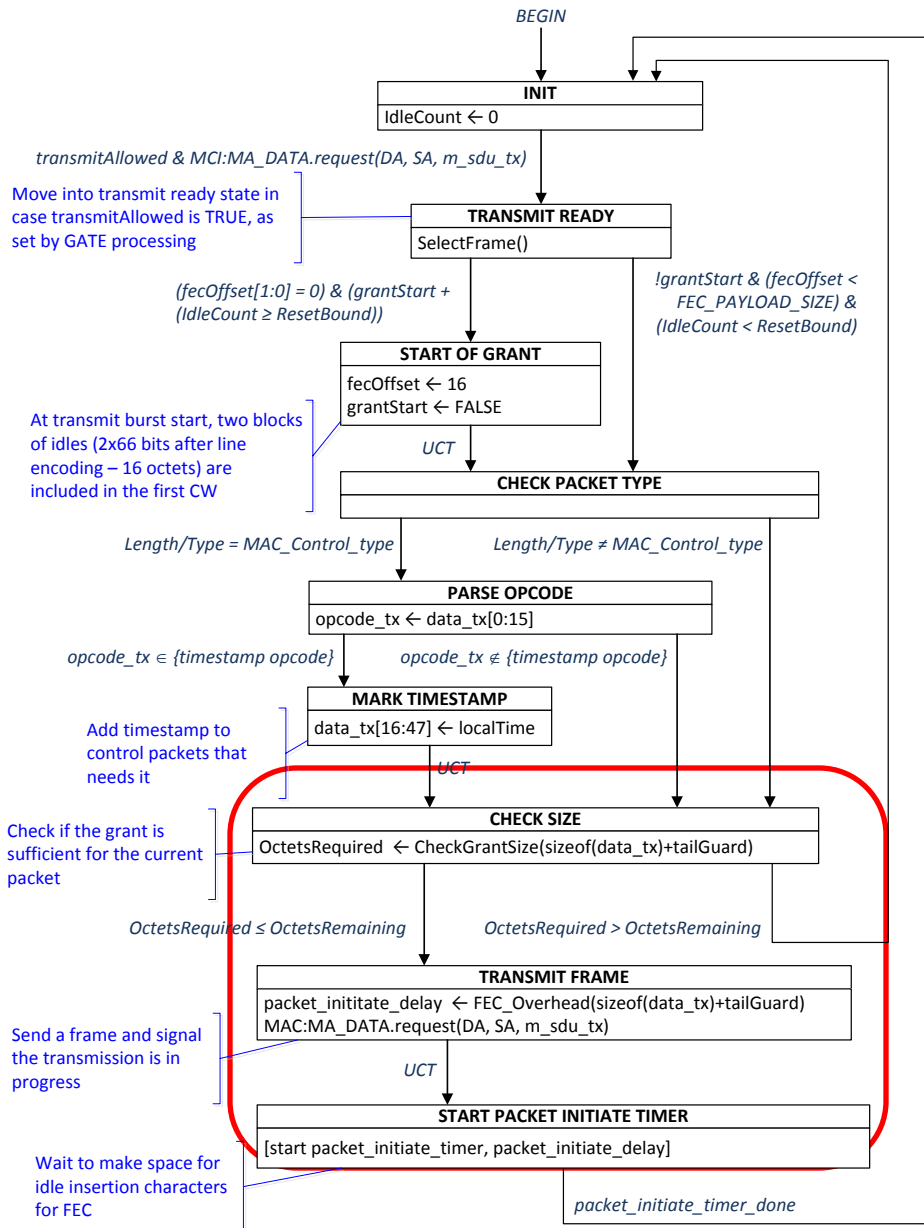
IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 77, Figure 77-13



# EPON IDLE Insertion – OLT side



# EPON IDLE Insertion – ONU side

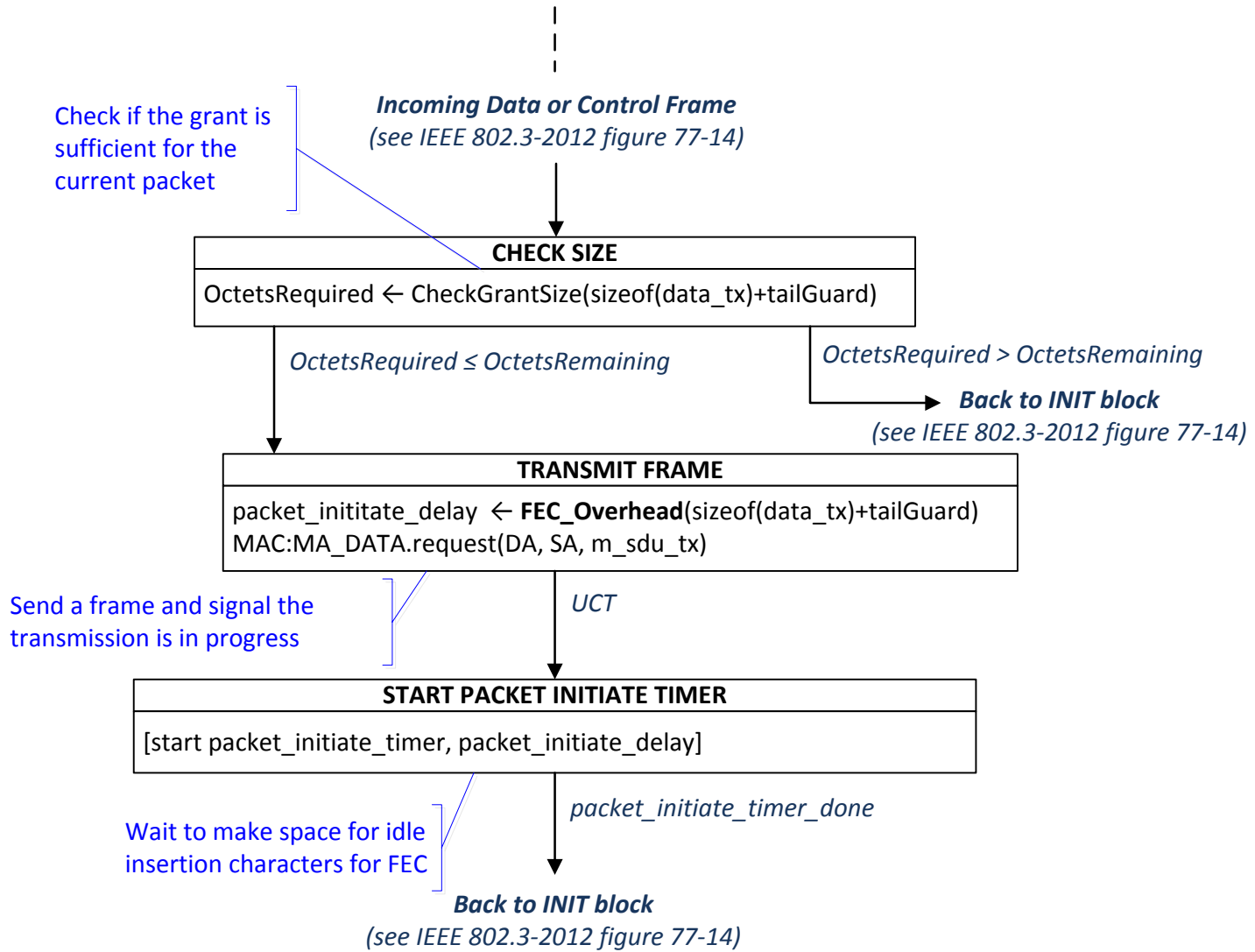


## Key remarks:

- Transmission is controlled by GATE message content, which results in setting *transmitAllowed* variable
- A MAC Control instance gives back control after completing transmission
- A transmission includes the packet and could include additional space for parity – two IDLEs blocks are including in the first CW of a burst
- The parity is added on a code word size base (not necessarily after each packet), by FEC\_Overhead function
- A packet is delayed till end of FEC parity transmission in case popping up outside FEC payload transmission (in order to avoid jitter after timestamp)

IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 77, Figure 77-14

# EPON IDLE Insertion – ONU side



# 10G-EPON *FEC\_Overhead* function

12 bytes for IPG

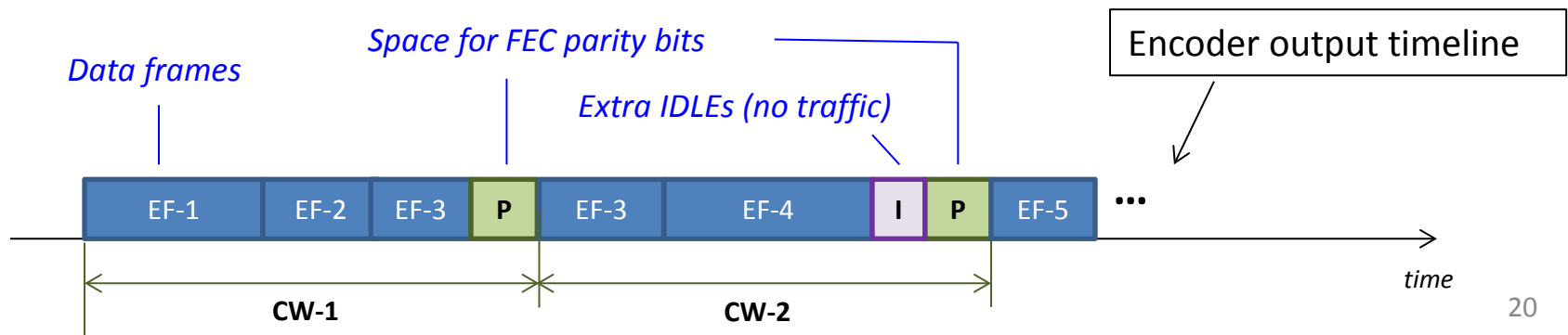
*fecOffset* advances by 1 every 8 bit times on PHY  
Variable tracking time passed in octets – start at 0  
and get reset to 0 when reaching code word size

$$FEC\_Overhead(length) = 12 + FEC\_PARITY\_SIZE * \text{floor}[(fecOffset + length)/FEC\_PAYLOAD\_SIZE]$$

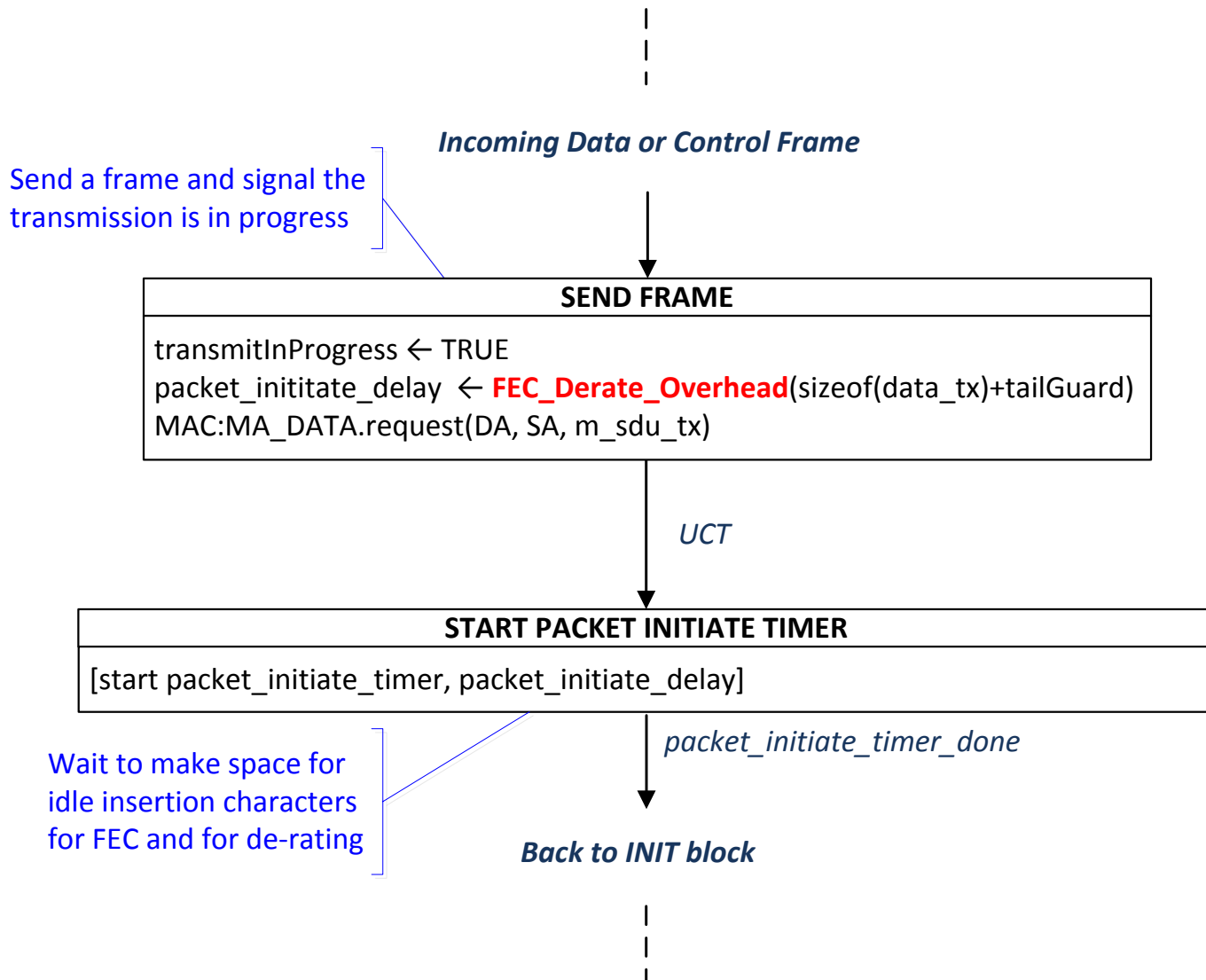
FEC parity bits Size

FEC information bits Size

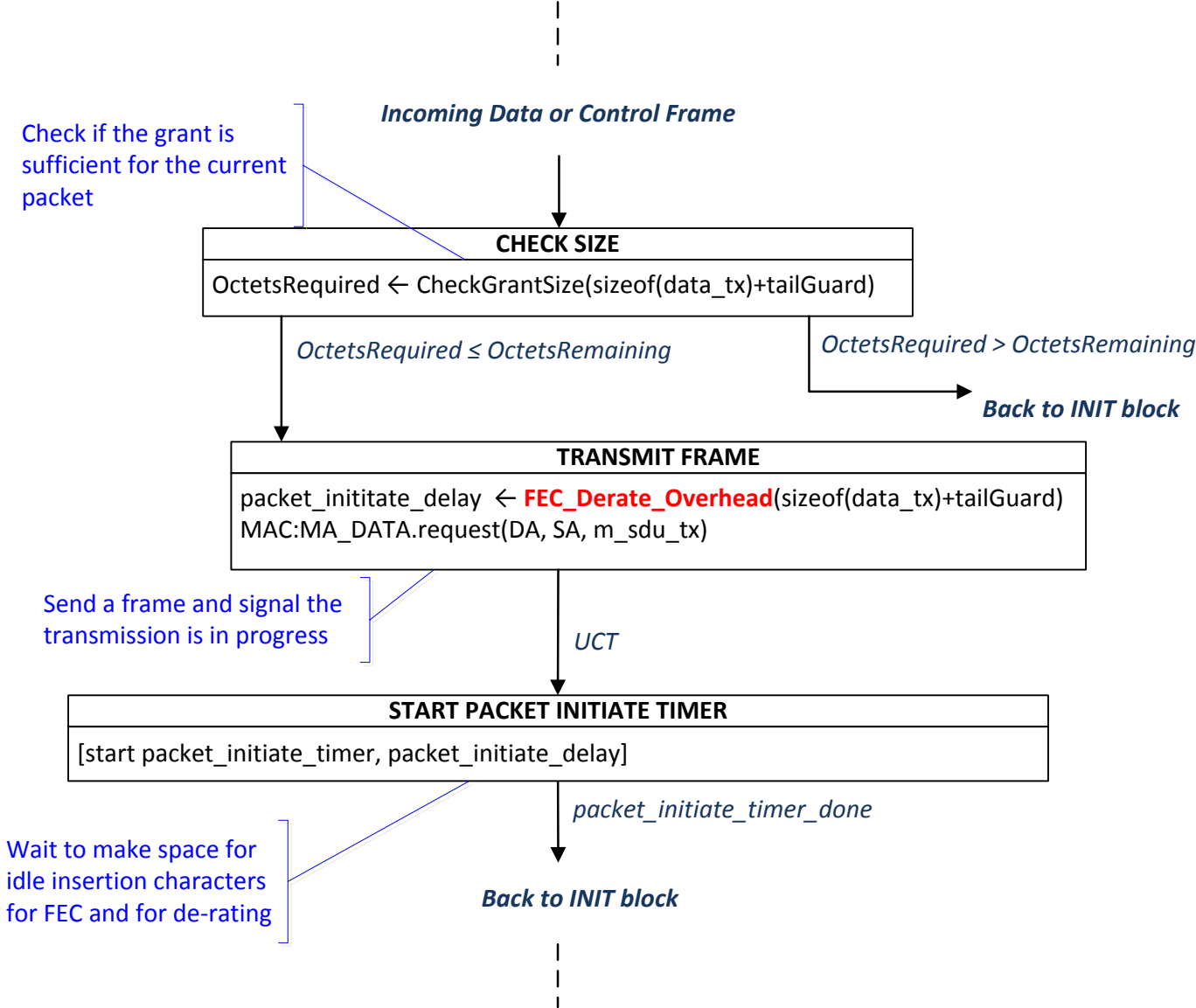
The function returns the length of the data to transmit and cumulates information bits (tracked by the variable *fecOffset*) - when the cumulated data exceeds the `FEC_PAYLOAD_SIZE`, a `FEC_PARITY_SIZE` interval is also included to space for parity



# EPoC IDLE Insertion – CLT side



# EPoC IDLE Insertion – CNU side



# EPoC *FEC\_Overhead* Function

## How it could be done in EPoC?

- The *FEC\_Overhead* function is updated to *FEC\_Derate\_Overhead* to include also the de-rating component, which needs to be applied to data, IPG and parity insertions

### Example

$$\text{FEC\_Derate\_Overhead}(\text{length}) = 12 + \text{ceiling} \left[ \left( \frac{\text{XGMII Rate}}{\text{Coax Rate}} - 1 \right) * \right. \\ \left. * (\text{length} + \text{FEC\_PARITY\_SIZE} * \text{floor}[(\text{fecOffset} + \text{length})/\text{FEC\_PAYLOAD\_SIZE}]) \right]$$

*12 bytes for IPG* points to the constant 12 in the equation.

*XGMII Rate* points to the numerator of the fraction in the ceiling function.

*Coax Rate* points to the denominator of the fraction in the ceiling function.

*FEC information bits Size* points to the *FEC\_PARITY\_SIZE* term in the multiplication.

*Packet Length, including IPG and preamble* points to the *length* variable in the multiplication.

*FEC parity bits Size* points to the *FEC\_PARITY\_SIZE* term in the multiplication.

*fecOffset advances by 1 every 8 bit times on coax PHY*  
*Variable tracking time passed in octets – start at 0 and get reset to 0 when reaching code word size*

# EPoC IDLE Insertion (baseline III)

**Baseline proposal III:** IDLE Insertion in EPoC RS in the Tx direction re-uses 10G-EPON design as defined in IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 77 with new FEC parameters for EPoC. The functionality is extended to include de-rating by means of a new function *FEC\_Derate\_Overhead(.)* that replaces the *FEC\_Overhead(.)* function.

- The exact modifications to the overhead formula and related parameters are TBD.

Note: The name of the new function is just an example and can be finalized at a later stage.



# IDLE Deletion – TX Direction

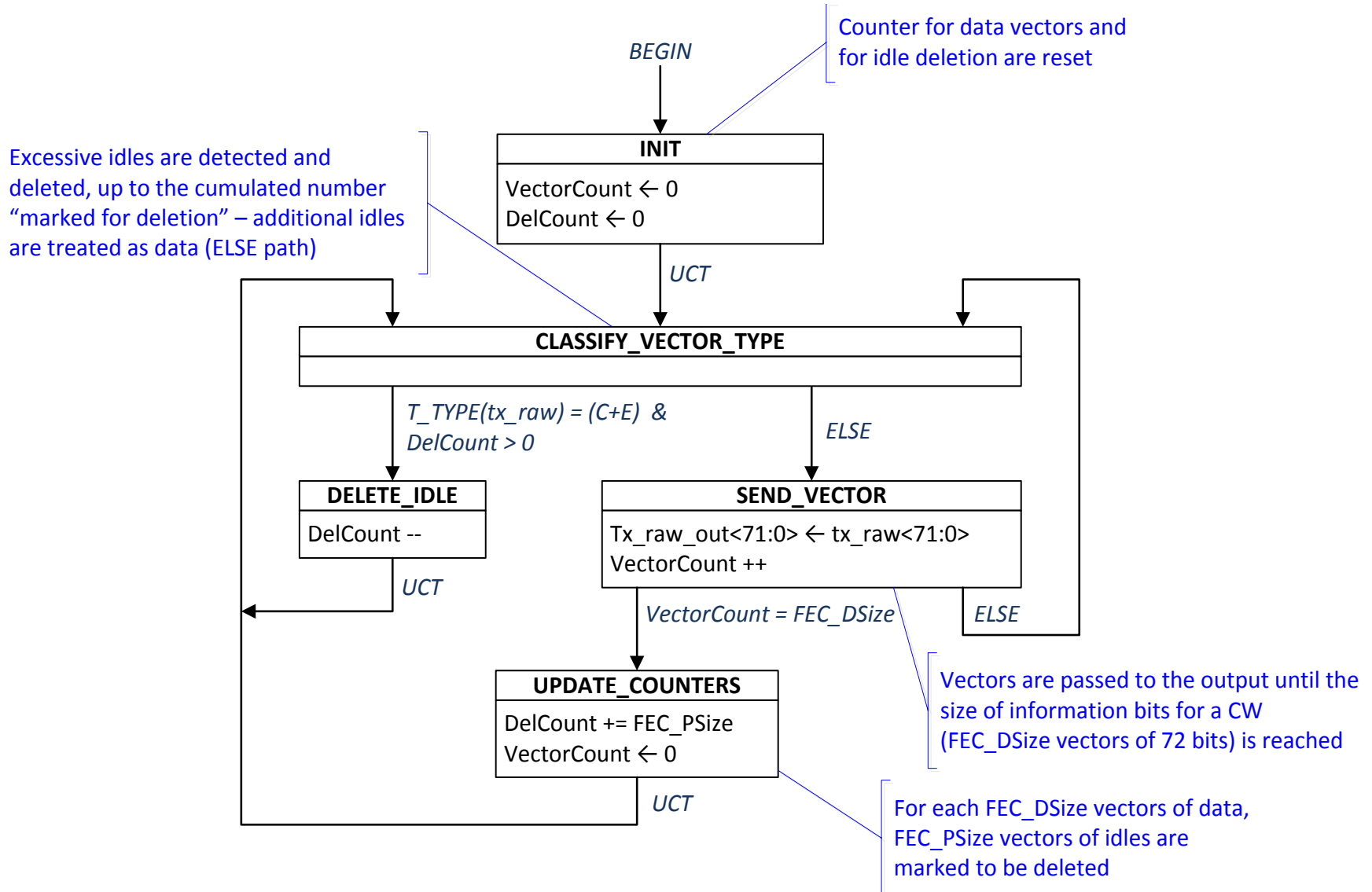
## IDLE Deletion process - objective

- Extra IDLEs are removed below XGMII interface before PHY processing occurs
  - Effective data rate at PHY after deletion is equal to  $R_{\text{eff}}$

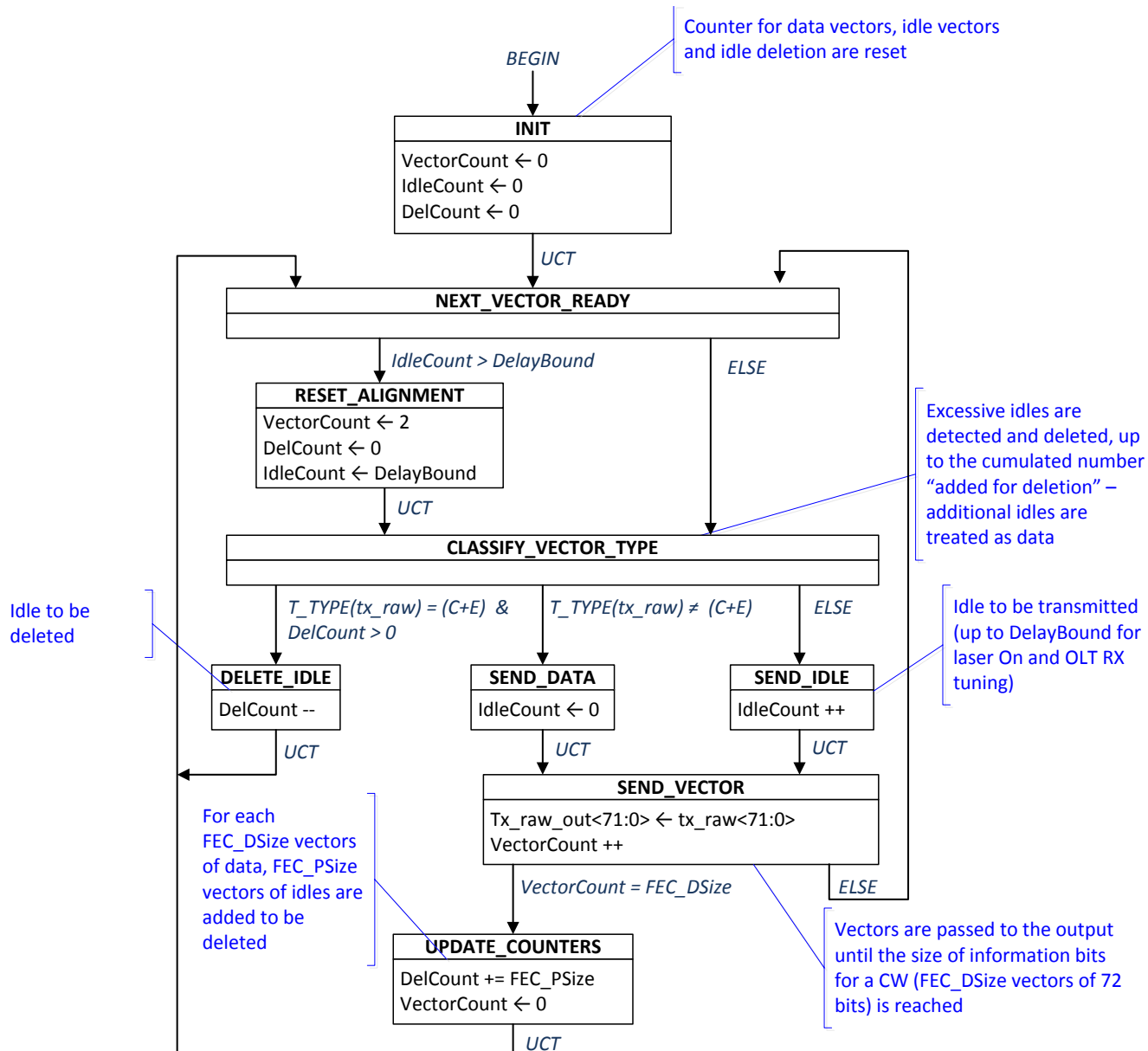
## How is that achieved in 10G-EPON?

- IDLE deletion is implemented in the PCS for TX direction (see IEEE Std 802.3 [1], 76.3.2.1)
- The number of vectors transiting the XGMII interface are counted and the function deletes FEC\_PSize IDLEs at each FEC code word payload FEC\_DSize of data:
  - At initialization vector counter and IDLE deletion counter are reset to zero
  - Each time a vector of data transits, the vector counter is incremented
  - When the vector counter reaches the size of the code word payload, the IDLE deletion counter is incremented by the size of the code word parity
  - Each time vector of IDLEs transits, deletion occurs in case the IDLE deletion counter is larger than zero (e.g. still some IDLE to be deleted)
- See next slide for the corresponding state diagram

# 10G-EPON IDLE Deletion – OLT side



# 10G-EPON IDLE Deletion – ONU side



In US, enough IDLEs to cover *DelayBound* time are transmitted

This DelayBound value represents the delay sufficient to initiate the laser and to stabilize the receiver at the OLT

IEEE Std 802.3, Figure 76-10

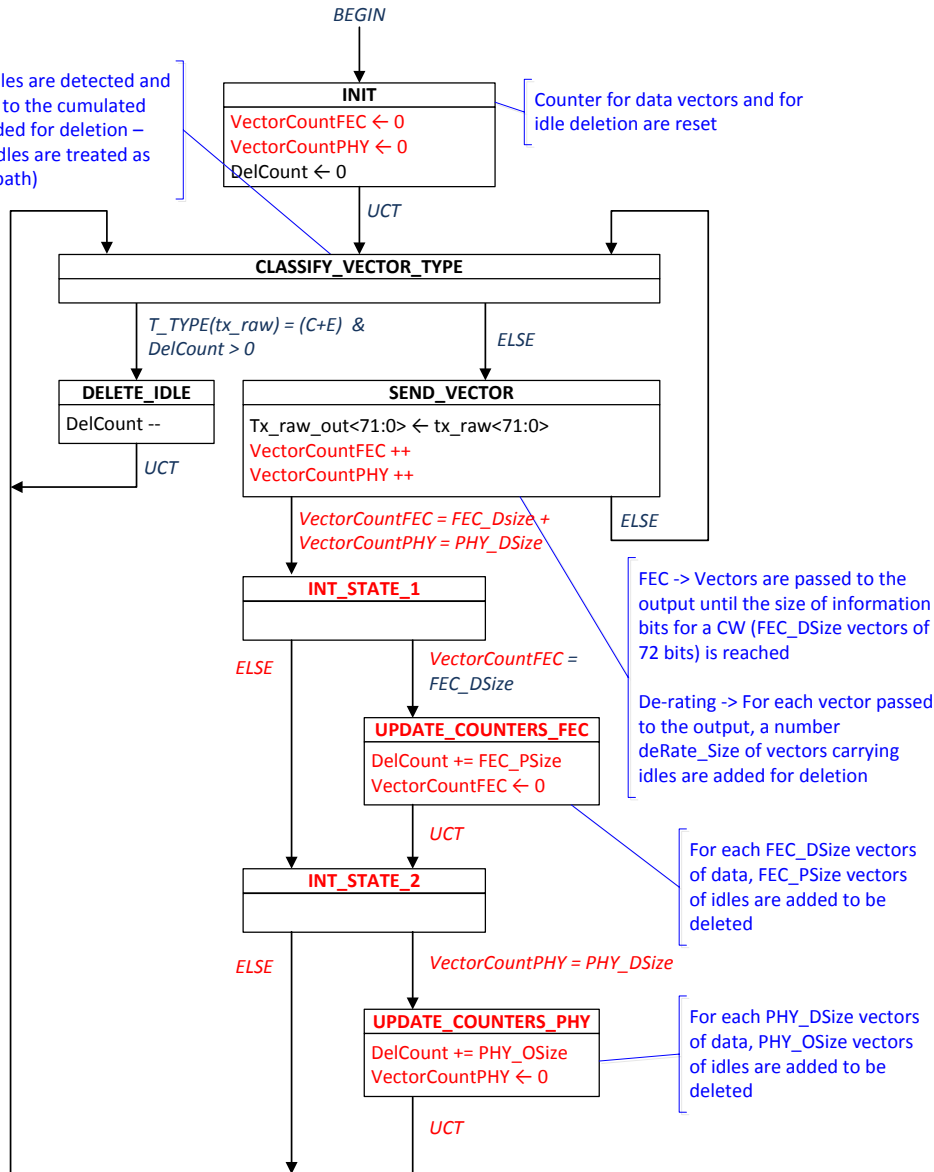
# EPoC IDLE Deletion – TX Side

## How it could be done in EPoC?

- For FEC parity the same functionality could be re-used, with updated FEC parameters for CW payload and CW parity sizes (TBD, depending on FEC decisions)
- For additional IDLE deletion due to de-rating, the same principle can be applied by simply introducing a new independent counter:
  - In fact, for each vector of encoded data, a number of IDLEs proportional to the ratio between  $R_{MX}$  and  $R_{eff}$  needs to be deleted – they were inserted above XGMII to allow enough time for the PHY transmission at rate  $R_{eff}$
  - Two new parameters PHY\_DSize e PHY\_OSize are introduced (values TBD):
    - Each time a vector of encoded data transits, the new vector counter for de-rating is incremented (this is done independently of the FEC vector counter)
    - When the de-rating vector counter reaches the size PHY\_DSize, the IDLE deletion counter is incremented by the size PHY\_OSize
  - Each time vector of IDLEs transits, deletion occurs in case the IDLE deletion counter is larger than zero (e.g. still some IDLE to be deleted)
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# EPoC IDLE Deletion – CLT side

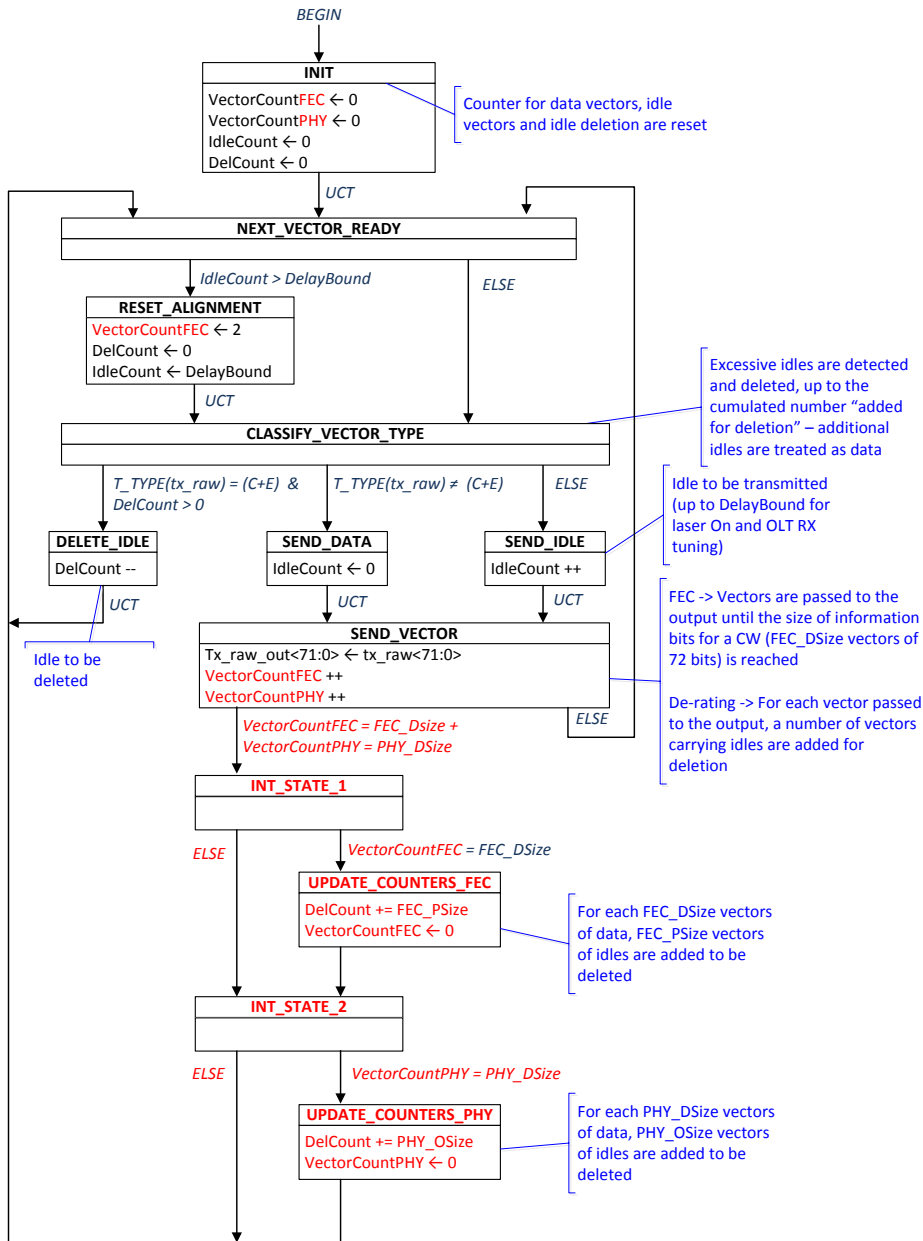
Excessive idles are detected and deleted, up to the cumulated number added for deletion – additional idles are treated as data (ELSE path)



In **red** the change due to de-rating from the original chart – final format and proper rounding can be defined once know PHY parameters

- FEC\_PSize vectors of IDLEs are deleted every (FEC\_DSize + FEC\_PSize) vectors
- Enough IDLEs to cover DelayBound are transmitted
- **PHY\_OSize vectors of IDLEs are deleted every (PHY\_OSize + PHY\_DSize) vectors**

# EPoC IDLE Deletion – CNU side



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- FEC\_PSize vectors of IDLEs are deleted every (FEC\_DSize + FEC\_PSize) vectors
- Enough IDLEs to cover DelayBound are transmitted
- **PHY\_OSize vectors of IDLEs are deleted every (PHY\_OSize + PHY\_DSize) vectors**

# EPoC IDLE Deletion (baseline IV)

**Baseline proposal IV:** IDLE Deletion in the EPoC PCS in TX direction re-uses 10G-EPON design as defined in IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 76 with new FEC parameters for EPoC. The function is extended to the EPoC case via additional variables for de-rating compensation, as shown in previous slides 29 and 30.

# Straw Poll #3

#3: IDLE Insertion in EPoC RS in the Tx direction re-uses 10G-EPON design as defined in IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 77 with new FEC parameters for EPoC. The functionality is extended to include de-rating by means of a new function *FEC\_Derate\_Overhead(.)* that replaces the *FEC\_Overhead(.)* function.

- The exact modifications to the overhead formula and related parameters are TBD.

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TF meeting: Yes: / No: / Undecided:



# Straw Poll #4

#4: IDLE Deletion in the EPoC PCS in TX direction re-uses 10G-EPON design as defined in IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 76 with new FEC parameters for EPoC. The function is extended to the EPoC case via additional variables for de-rating compensation, as shown in slides 29 and 30.

Ad-hoc call: Yes: 6 / No: 0 / Undecided: 2

TF meeting: Yes: / No: / Undecided:

# References

- [1] IEEE Std 802.3-2012 Specification – Clauses 76 and 77
- [2] **hajduczenia\_05\_0313**: “Data Rate Adaptation” – Marek Hajduczenia (ZTE), Andrea Garavaglia (Qualcomm)