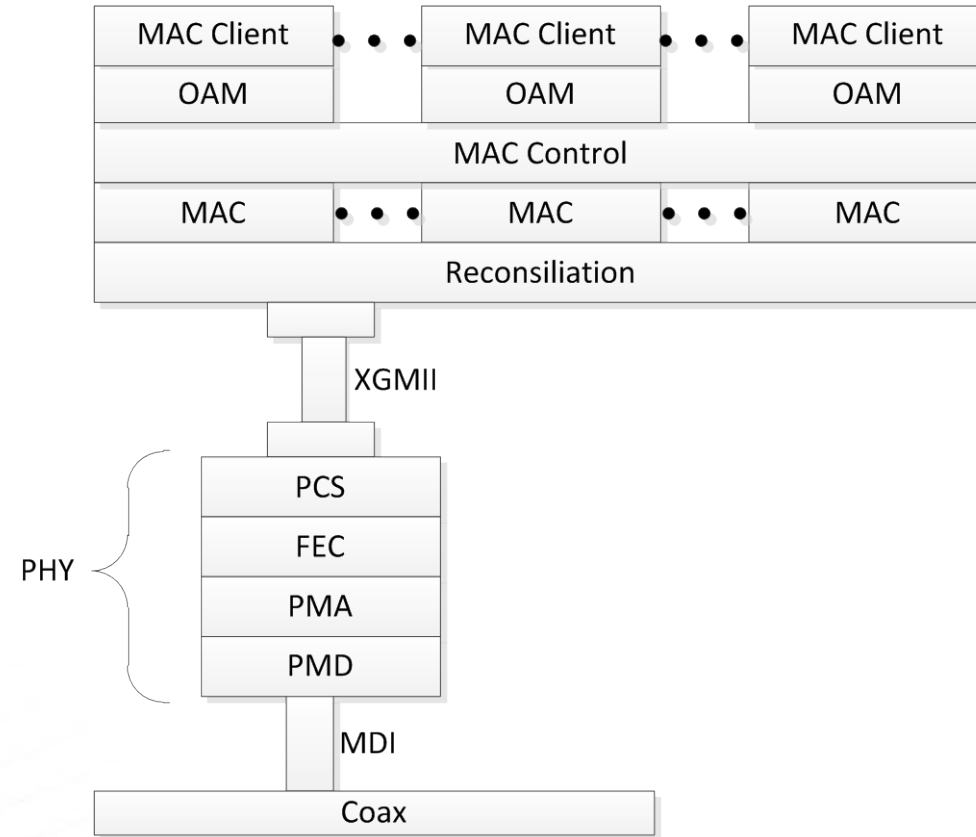




MPCP TIMING IN EPOC

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- **MAC Control has no visibility to PHY**
 - Cannot align to RBs or OFDM frames
 - Does not control PHY ranging or probes
- **MAC operates at 10Gbps**
- **MAC only matches rate to the PHY**
 - IDLE insertion/deletion
 - Rate is a global parameter
- **Layer restricts many options, but ultimately simplifies the solution**



UPSTREAM DATA DETECTOR

- The Data Detector is used in EPON to enable/disable the Laser
 - The Data Detector is located in the PCS.
- EPOC can use a similar data detector to enable transmission on an RB boundary.
 - Packet data is not aligned to RB boundaries. IDLEs fill unused data on the first and last RB to maintain timing alignment of the packet.

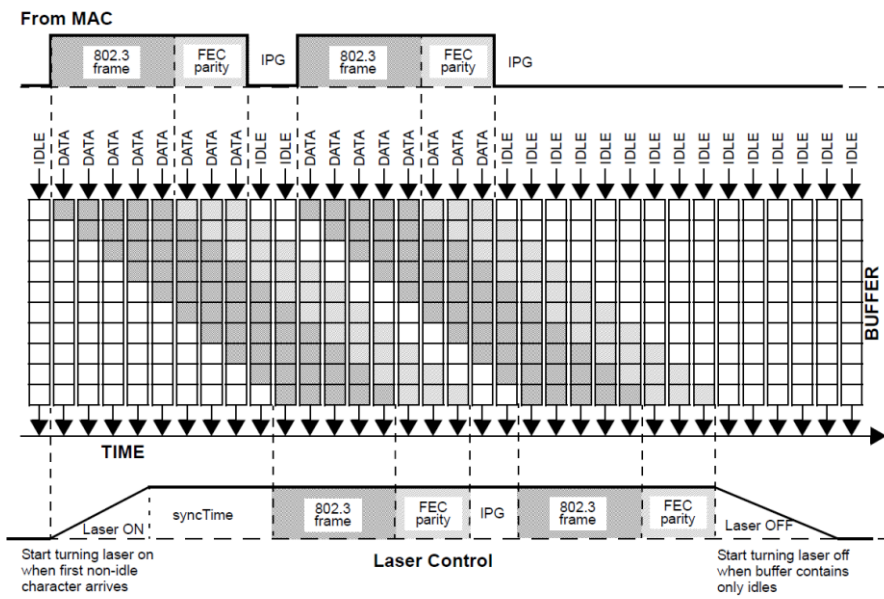
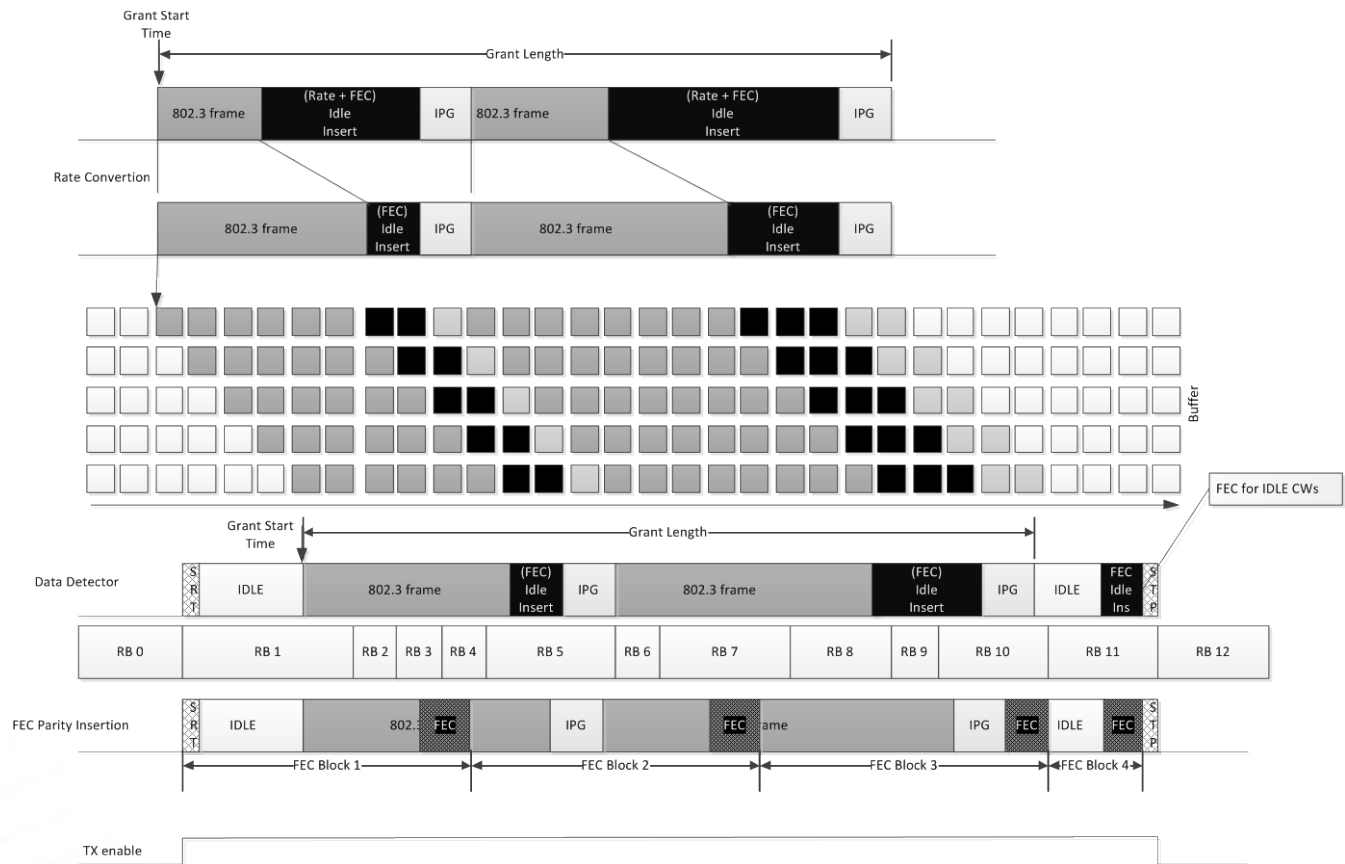
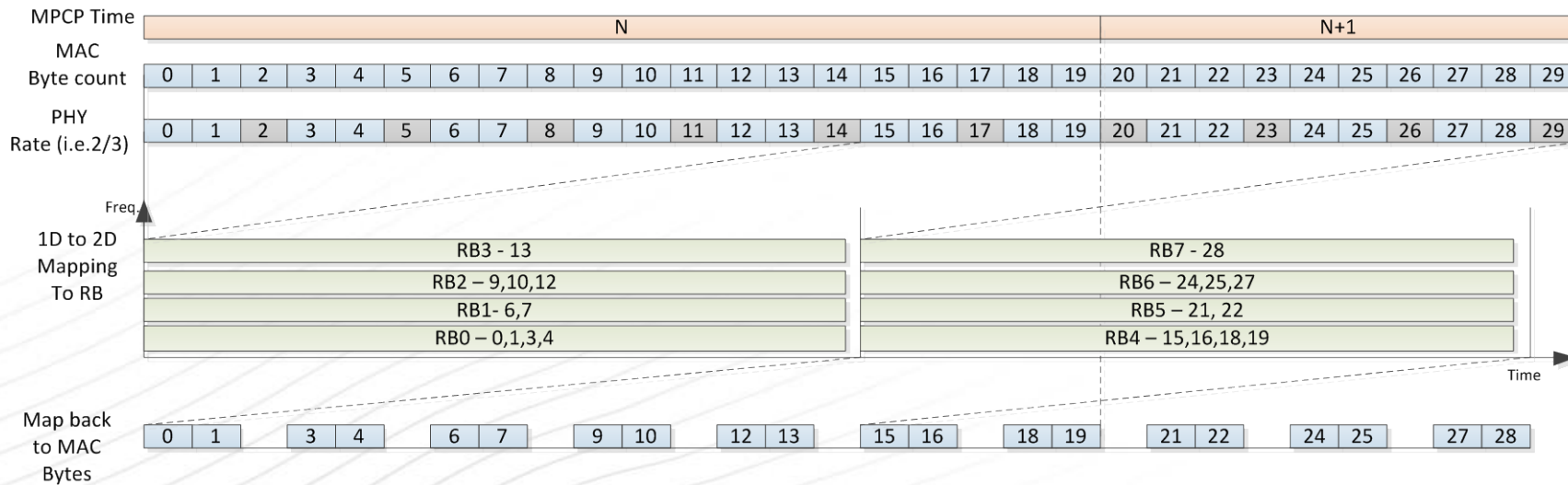


Figure 65-5—Laser control as a function of buffer fill
EPON Example



- Bytes per RB ~ 10B to 160B
- 0<->1 RB of IDLE at start
- 0<->1 RB of IDLE plus FEC parity at end
- 0<->N RB of grant spacing
- Data detector pipe delay is a maximum size RB

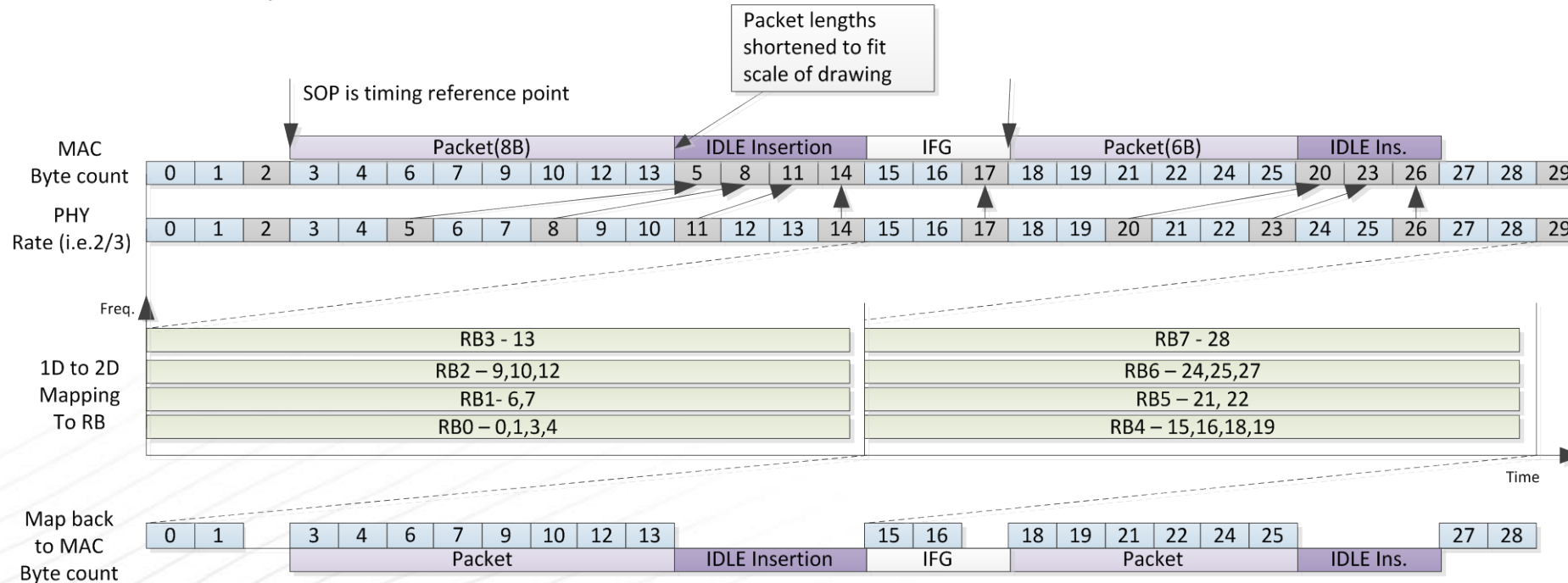
- At MAC Control layer $1TQ=16ns$. At PHY layer TQ is not defined.
- CNU and CLT follow the same 1D-to-2D-to-1D mapping
 - Byte sequence and thus time reference is maintained
 - Loss of MPCP timestamp fidelity will occur only when PHY rate is less than 500Mbps ($<1TQ$).
 - Below 500Mbps uncertainty will start to impact $12TQ$ jitter budget



- **Example part 1 (Byte ordering):**
 - The PHY rate in this example is $\frac{2}{3} * 10Gbps$.
 - For illustration the every 3rd byte is eliminated. No line coding is shown for simplicity.
 - Byte sequence timing is maintained after 1D-2D-1D mapping

RATE CONVERSION WITH IDLE INSERTION

- Idle insertion/deletion is used to match the MAC to the PHY rates
 - Eliminated bytes are moved and accounted for at the end of a packet

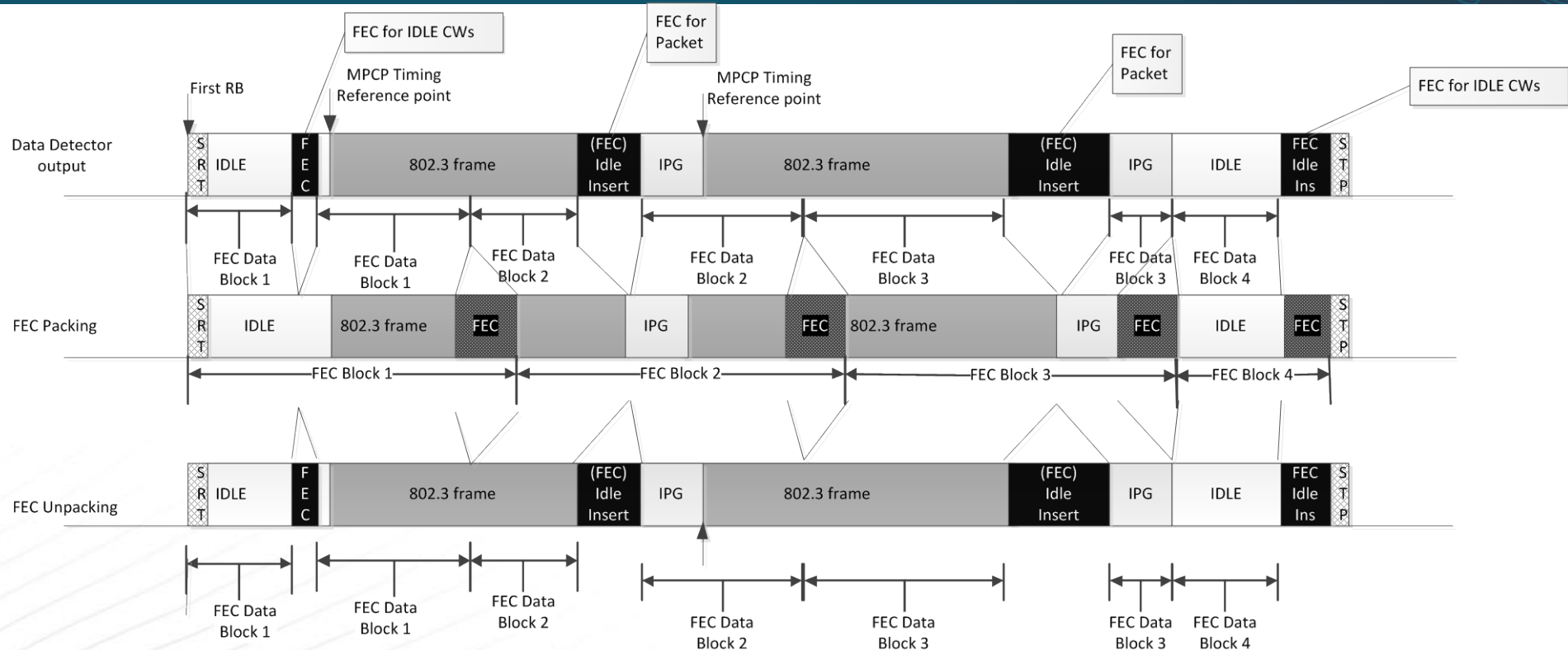


Example part 2(Idle insertion for rate difference):

- Notes:
 - Packet lengths are shortened for scale. Actual packets length are standard IEEE 802.3. FEC is not shown.
- Eliminated bytes within packet time are accumulated and transferred as Idles at end of packet
- The Start of Packet is the timing reference point. The timing is maintained after 1D-2D-1D mapping.

- The PMA and MAC may all operate on different clock domains.
- Conventional methods of IFG compression and expansion may be used to compensate for small differences in clock rates. (100PPM typically)
- The Rate parameter needs to be accurate to this tolerance.
- IFG timing adjustments also allows for rate parameter changes. This simplifies the synchronization of dynamic adjustments.

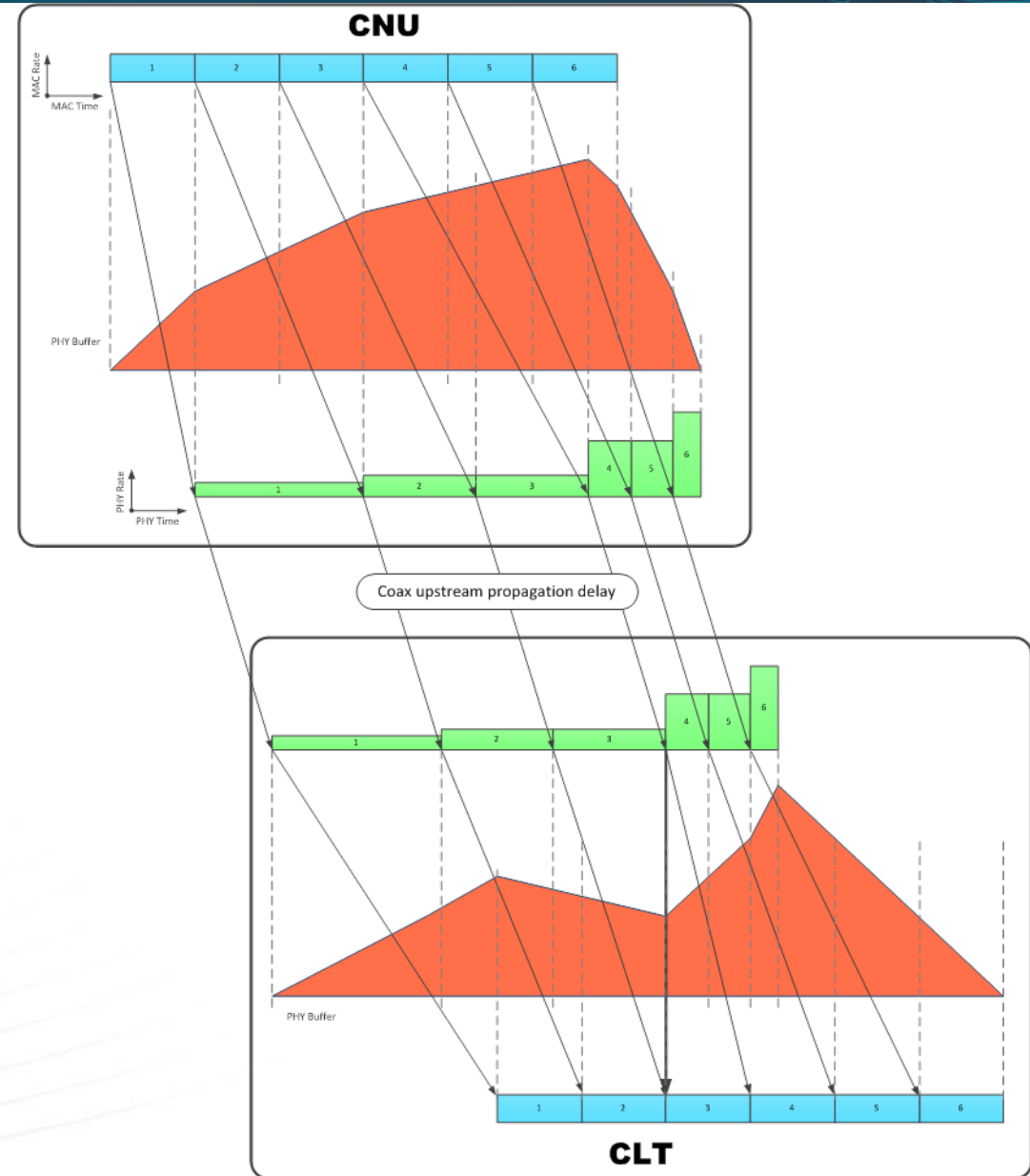
FEC PARITY PACKING



- A “FEC IDLE” is generated based on the FEC parity overhead
- “FEC IDLES” within a frame are stored until the end of the frame
- A running accumulator maintains count of how many and when FEC IDLEs are inserted
- The last FEC block is a shortened block. FEC may occur on bit level boundaries.
- FEC Packing removes FEC IDLEs and replaces them with FEC Parity on block boundaries.
- The inverse function is used to unpack the FEC parity and insert FEC IDLEs
- Timing is maintained before and after FEC

- The PHY requires an elastic buffer to adapt a constant MAC input rate to a variable PHY rate.
- Buffer must be sized to accommodate the largest capacity variation throughout an OFDM frame.
 - The MAC fills the buffer based on a Rate Parameter, FEC parity, and burst overhead.
 - The PHY pulls from the buffer to fill RBs.
- Rate is a global parameter shared between the MAC and PHY
 - Minor adjustments due to clocking can be accommodated by IFG adjustments

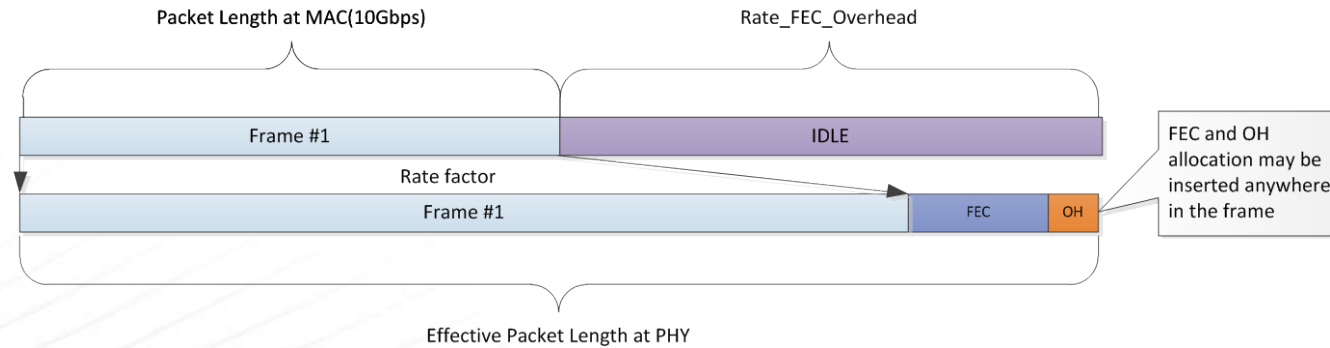
At MAC level blocks are all of the same size because MAC sends at a constant rate. AT PHY level, they grow or shrink in time depending on the rate of a given block. The picture shows blocks ordered by increasing capacity (rate). Red graphs show corresponding buffer dynamics in the CNU and the CLT.



- The $FEC_Overhead(length)$ formula in Clause 77 needs to be updated to include rate as well as EPoC FEC.

- Packet example:

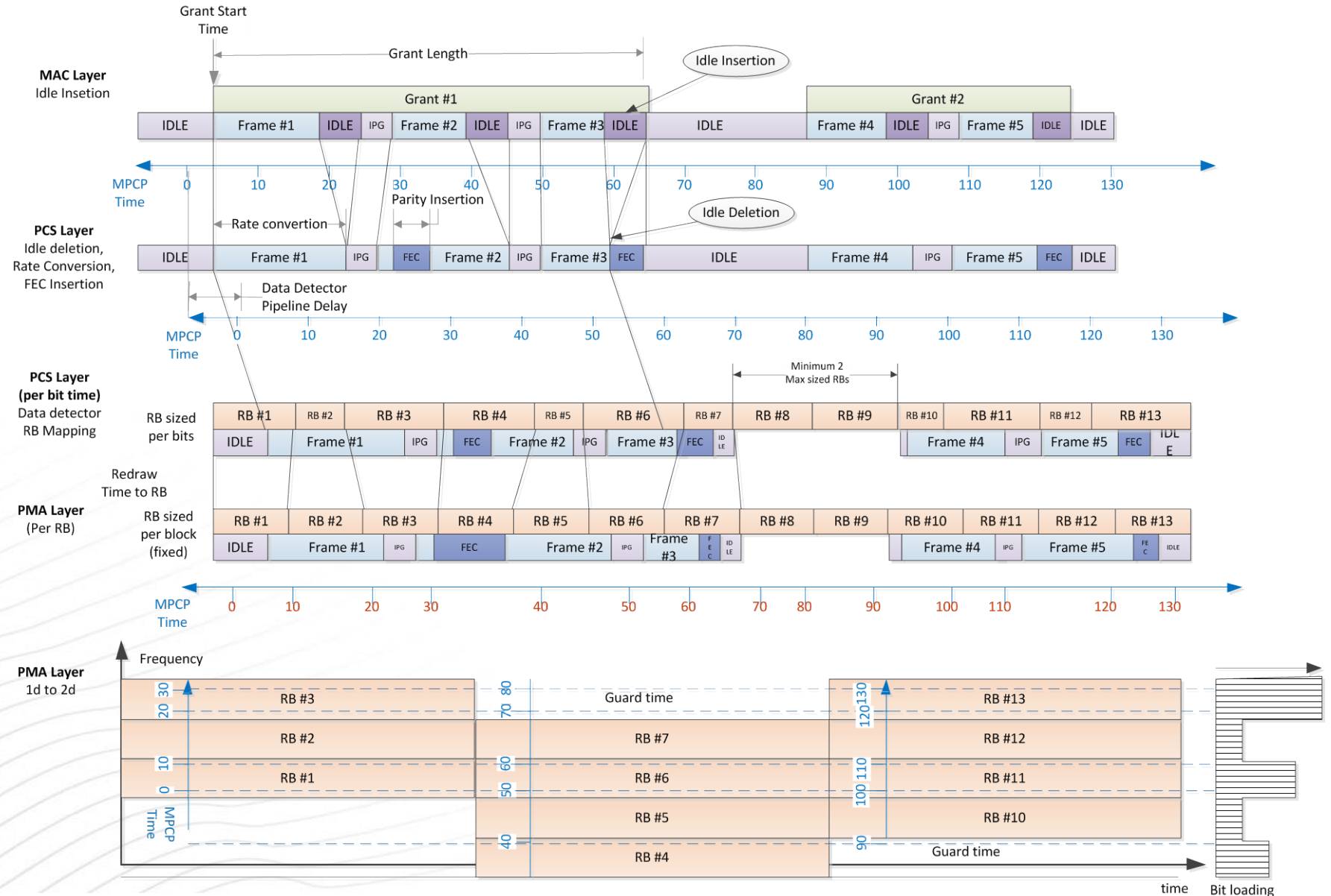
$$Rate_FEC_Overhead(length) = ((length + FEC\ parity + grant\ OH) * 10Gbps / rate) - length$$



- IDLE code words are also covered by FEC. FEC Idles for parity must also be inserted whenever the percent of FEC OH is greater than a code word or at the end of the burst.

MPCP TIME SUMMARY

- Rate adaption and FEC packing may be combined and MPCP timing is maintained.
- Idle insertion is used to match MAC and PHY rates over a frame.
- The Data Detector is used to align to RB boundaries.
- An elastic buffer in the PHY is used to absorb the variation in bit rates.



- **MPCP discovery operates above the PHY layer**
 - PHY will first perform Initial and Fine Ranging to calibrate and align OFDM symbols
 - MPCP discovery is independent of PHY ranging.
- **MPCP discovery aligns MPCP timestamps and measures the RTT at the MAC layer**
- **MPCP discovery GATE is not aligned to OFDM frames.**
 - Discovery Grant may cross one or more OFDM frames
- **MPCP discovery GATE time is sized based on the RTT to provide guard time from data GATEs.**

- **CNU Reports queue length without overhead**
 - DBA may use the reported queue lengths to determine grant length
 - Follows the same model at 10G EPON
- **GATEs may adjust for Grant overhead for RATE, FEC, markers, ...**
 - Overhead follows same function as the IDLE insertion rate
- **RATE variation over a OFDM frame profile is covered by the elastic buffer**
 - PHY average rate may be used by DBA calculations.
 - Grants may cross multiple OFDM frames.

- **IEEE layering is maintained between the MAC and PHY**
- **MPCP Timing can be maintained through 1D-to-2D mapping**
- **Data detector will align upstream grants to RB boundaries**
- **IDLE insertion will account for overheads including RATE and FEC**
- **The PHY will have an elasticity buffer to adapt rate across an OFDM frame**