

C2M Simulation with Proposed Reference Receivers

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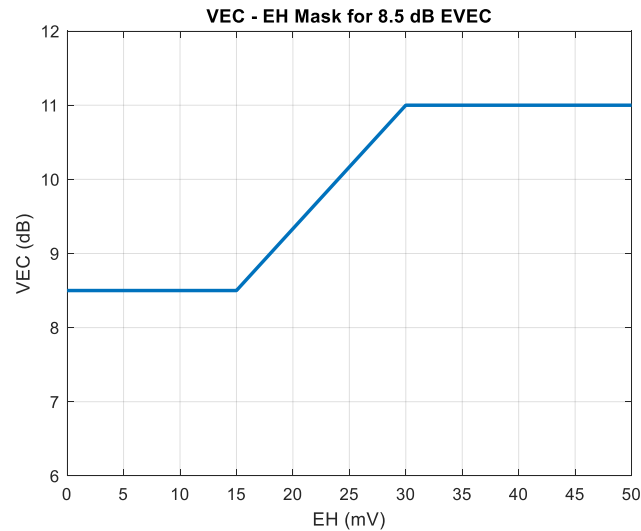
Objective

- ❖ Introduce EVEC (Effective Vertical Eye Closure) to solve short channel issue.
- ❖ Derive test point parameters for proposed reference receivers.
 - ❖ TP1a
 - ❖ TP4 near and far end.
- ❖ Verify performance of the receivers under discussion.

EVEC

EVEC is proposed in sun_3ck_01_1019 for TP1a measurement. It is a function of VEC and EH.

$$\text{EVEC} = \begin{cases} \text{VEC}, & \text{if } EH < 15 \text{ mV} \\ \text{VEC} - 0.1667 * (EH - 15) \text{ dB}, & \text{if } EH \text{ is between } 15 \text{ and } 30 \text{ mV} \\ \text{VEC} - 2.5 \text{ dB}, & \text{if } EH > 30 \text{ mV} \end{cases}$$



TP1a Simulation Channels – Long Channel Set

ID	Channel Description	Vote in May	IL (dB)	ERL11 (dB)	ERL22 (dB)	ICN (mV)	ILD (dB)
8	mellitz_3ck_01_0518_C2M\9dB	Pass	8.95	16.35	13.45	2.10	0.10
9	mellitz_3ck_01_0518_C2M\10dB	Fail	9.96	7.84	10.94	4.27	0.48
10	mellitz_3ck_01_0518_C2M\11dB	Pass	11.16	18.28	14.70	1.75	0.09
11	mellitz_3ck_01_0518_C2M\12dB	Fail	12.18	8.50	11.72	3.75	0.46
12	mellitz_3ck_01_0518_C2M\13dB	Pass	13.12	20.09	15.25	1.50	0.09
13	mellitz_3ck_01_0518_C2M\14dB	Fail	13.87	8.85	12.92	2.98	0.47
14	tracy_100GEL_02_0118\long_barrel_via\TX5	TBD	16.48	15.00	11.91	0.86	0.28
15	tracy_100GEL_02_0118\long_barrel_via\TX6	TBD	16.08	14	12.94	0.86	0.37
16	tracy_100GEL_06_0118\Microvia\RX6	Pass	14.59	15.72	12.95	0.79	0.21
17	tracy_100GEL_06_0118\Microvia\RX5	TBD	14.57	16.22	13.94	0.89	0.23
18	lim_3ck_01_0319_QDD_new_pad\ch1	Pass	14.40	15.96	21.66	0.73	0.20
19	lim_3ck_01_0319_QDD_new_pad\ch2	Pass	14.60	14.66	21.03	0.76	0.19
20	lim_3ck_01_0319_QDD_legacy_pad\ch3	Pass	14.69	16.16	16.36	0.72	0.20
21	llim_3ck_01_0319_QDD_legacy_pad\ch4	Pass	14.84	14.92	16.07	0.81	0.18
22	llim_3ck_01_0319_QDD_new_pad\ch5	TBD	14.77	14.96	21.48	1.34	0.16
23	llim_3ck_01_0319_QDD_legacy_pad\ch6	Pass	15.02	15.28	16.26	1.47	0.17
24	ito_3ck_01\QSFP \bottom normal\	Pass	15.10	13.03	10.96	1.14	0.18
25	ito_3ck_01\QSFP \bottom worst\	TBD	15.58	12.72	10.58	1.09	0.32
26	ito_3ck_01\QSFP \top normal\	Pass	14.53	13.00	11.12	1.19	0.18
27	ito_3ck_01\QSFP \top worst\	TBD	14.49	12.66	10.62	1.14	0.31

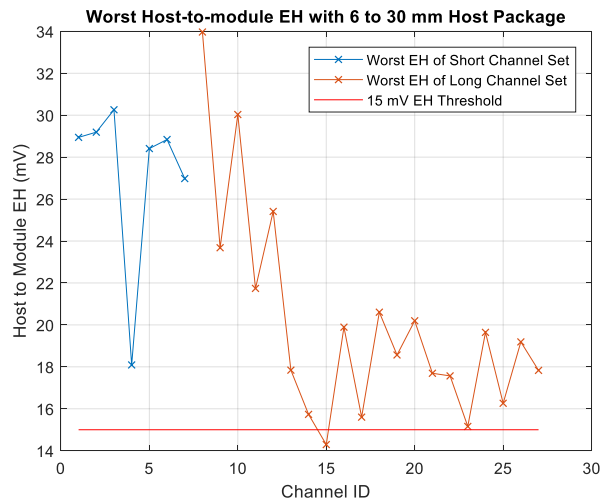
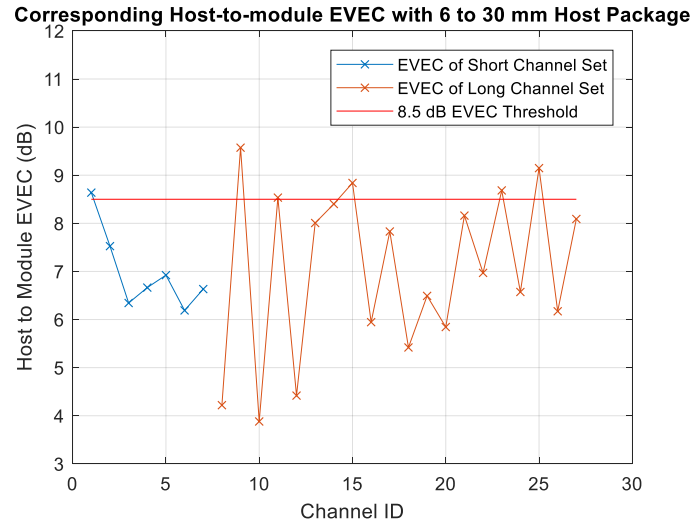
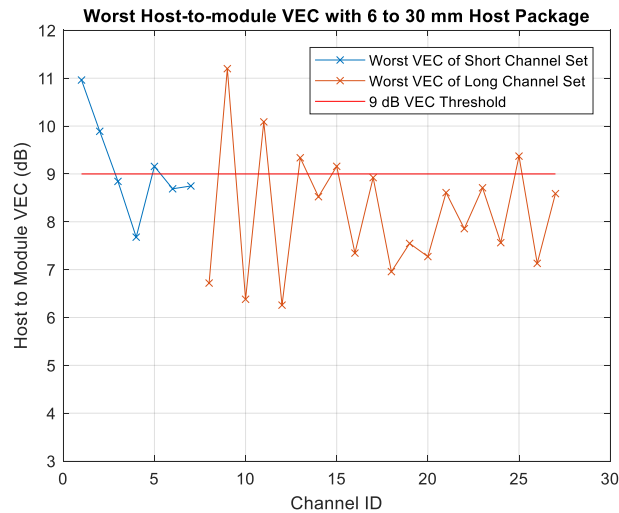
- Channels are from [sun 3ck 01 0519](#).
- With 13 mm TX package.

TP1a Simulation Channels – Short Channel Set

ID	Channel Description	IL (dB)	ERL11 (dB)	ERL22 (dB)	ICN (mV)	ILD (dB)
1	lim_3ck_adhoc_01_073119\2inch	5.67	12.06	11.39	3.52	0.16
2	lim_3ck_adhoc_01_073119\3inch	6.94	12.85	12.32	3.05	0.15
3	lim_3ck_adhoc_01_073119\4inch	8.22	13.51	13.00	2.65	0.14
4	lim_3ck_adhoc_01_073119\9inch	14.55	15.45	15.41	1.34	0.13
5	akinwale_3ck_adhoc_01a_08282019\2inch	7.15	12.63	12.71	5.54	0.36
6	akinwale_3ck_adhoc_01a_08282019\3inch	8.37	13.94	13.81	5.24	0.36
7	akinwale_3ck_adhoc_01a_08282019\4inch	9.70	14.14	14.31	5.01	0.36

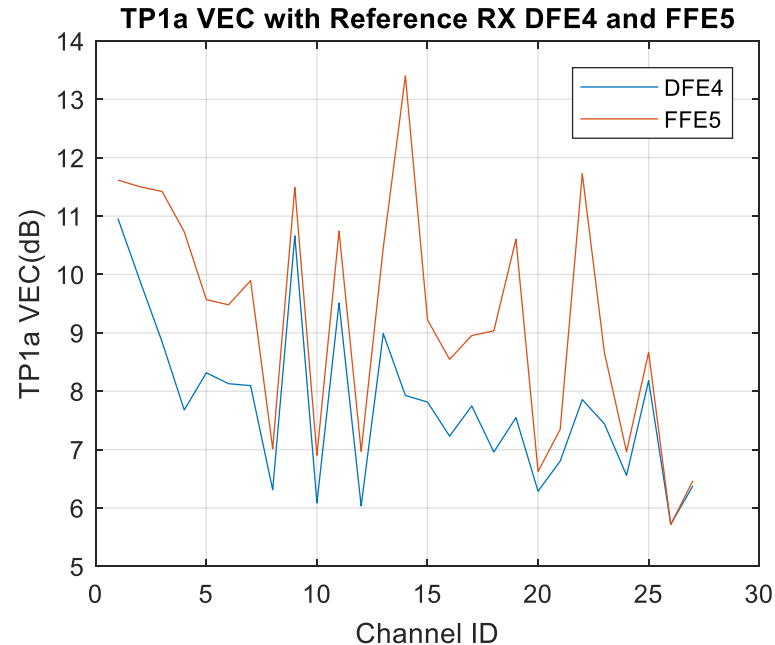
- This is a new set of channels to study short channel performance.

VEC, EH, and EVEC



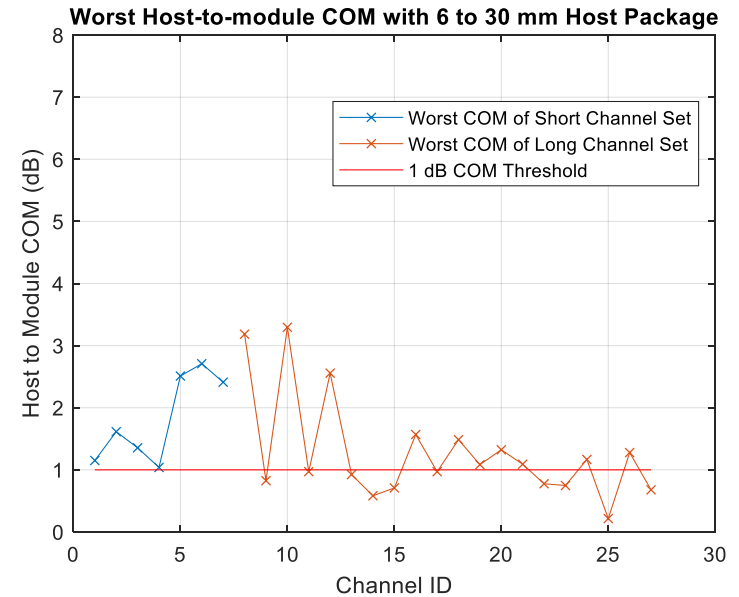
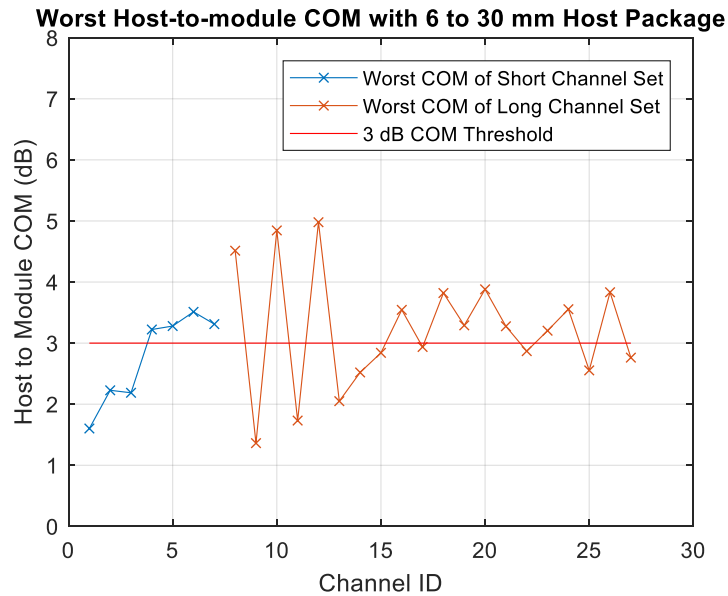
- Each channel is simulated with 6 to 30 mm packages. For each channel, VEC with the worst package trace is plotted.
- EVEC and VEC difference are bigger for short channels.
- Possible thresholds: 8.5 dB EVEC and 15 mV EH.

TP1a VEC Simulation with DFE 4 and FFE 5



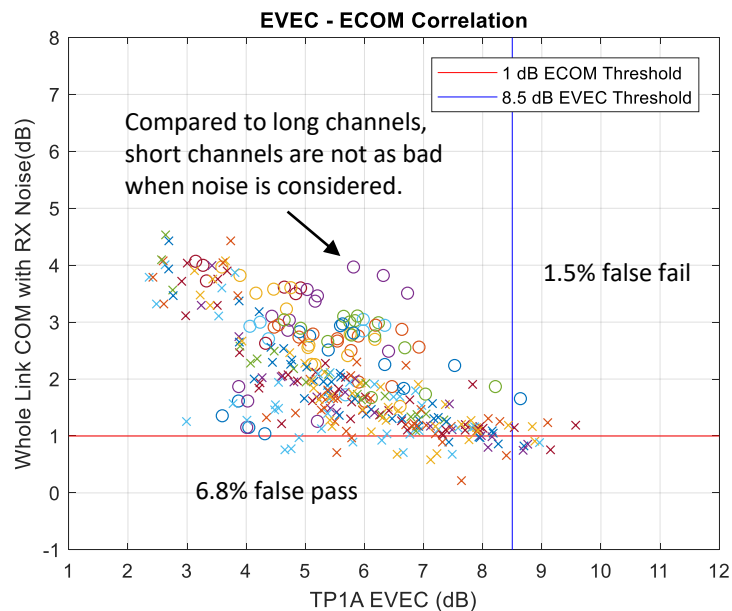
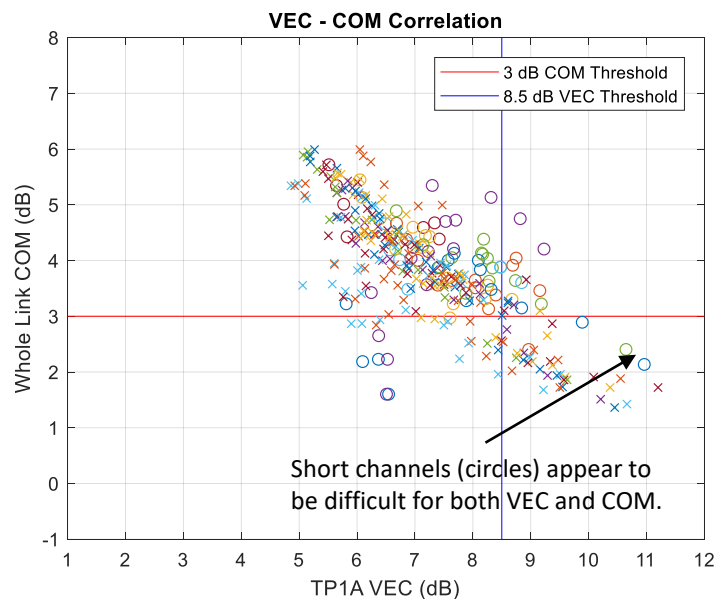
- TP1a VEC with DFE4 is consistently lower than FFE5.
- VEC of FFE5 has some big spikes as FFE5 is more sensitive to channel impairment.
- With 13 mm host pkg

Whole Link COM with DFE4



- w/o Implementation impairment
- w/ Implementation noise lumped at CTLE Input
- Performance with implementation impairment is evaluated by adding $25e-8 \text{ V}^2/\text{GHz}$ noise lumped at CTLE input.
- Short channels are not harder than the 9" long channel when implementation noise is considered.
- Receiver is DFE4. This confirms DFE4 is a minimum performance receiver (enough but w/o much margin) for whole link.

VEC/EH and Whole-Link COM Correlation

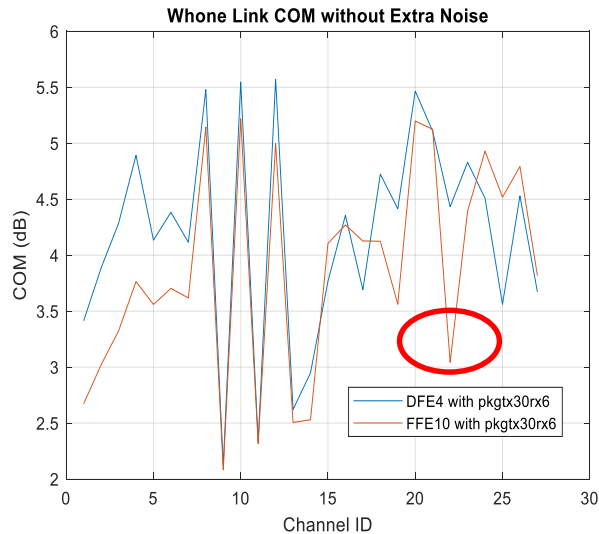


No Implementation Impairment

- ECOM (effective COM is COM with noise) is COM with $25e-8$ V²/GHz RMS noise lumped at CTLE input.
- Reference and whole link receiver are both DFE4 with b1max=0.5.
- With EVEC and ECOM, false pass/fail rate are improved to 8.3% in total. Short channels become relatively easier.

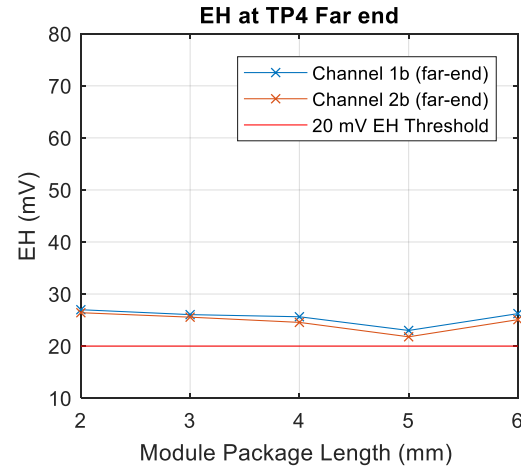
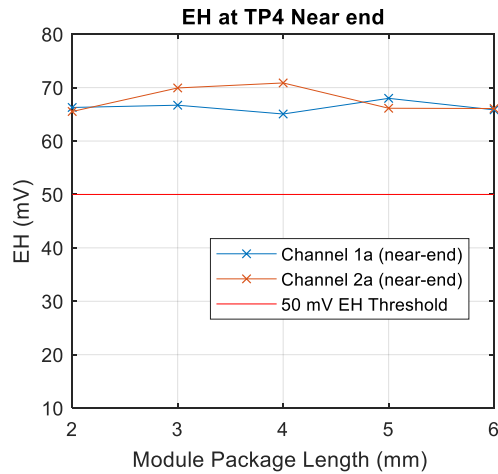
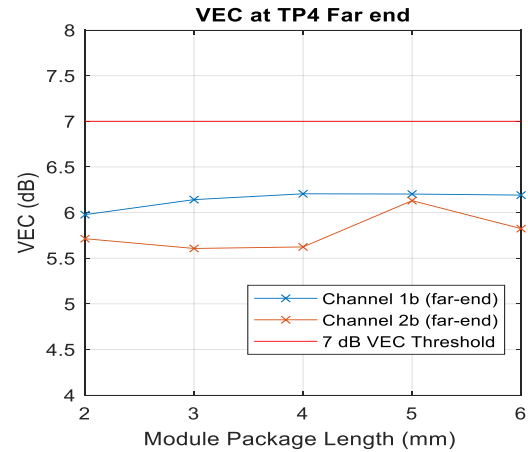
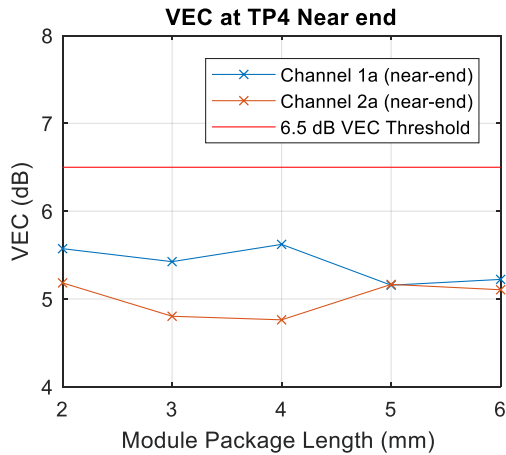
COM with RX noise

Whole Link COM with FFE10



- Studies in this group show FFE5 cannot cover whole link.
- Even 10-tap FFE has sharp performance degradation if reflection cannot be covered by FFE taps.
- If add $25e-8$ V²/GHz noise at CTLE input, FFE 10 cannot achieve 1dB COM for many channels. Less receiver noise can be tolerated.

TP4 Near- and Far End



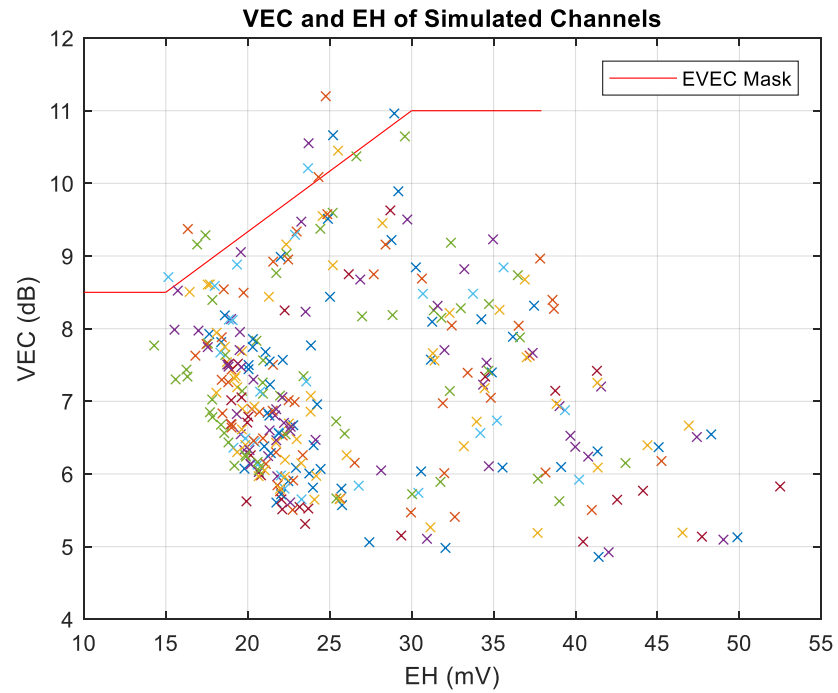
- Channels are described in [lim 3ck 02 0719](#).

Summary

- ❖ TP1a and TP4 thresholds are proposed for the C2M baseline proposal with a 4-tap DFE receiver.
 - ❖ EVEC is introduced to qualify TP1a signal quality. Only a single value is needed.
 - ❖ Good false pass/fail rate is achieved for EVEC v.s. ECOM.
- ❖ A short reference receiver is preferred because a long reference receiver is insensitive to reflections in its tap coverage and forces all implementations to include high power long equalizer.
- ❖ Simulation confirms 4-tap DFE is sufficient for the whole link.
 - ❖ 4-tap DFE is more robust than a 10-tap FFE.
- ❖ VEC value is lower with a 4-tap DFE than with a 5-tap FFE for all the simulated channels.

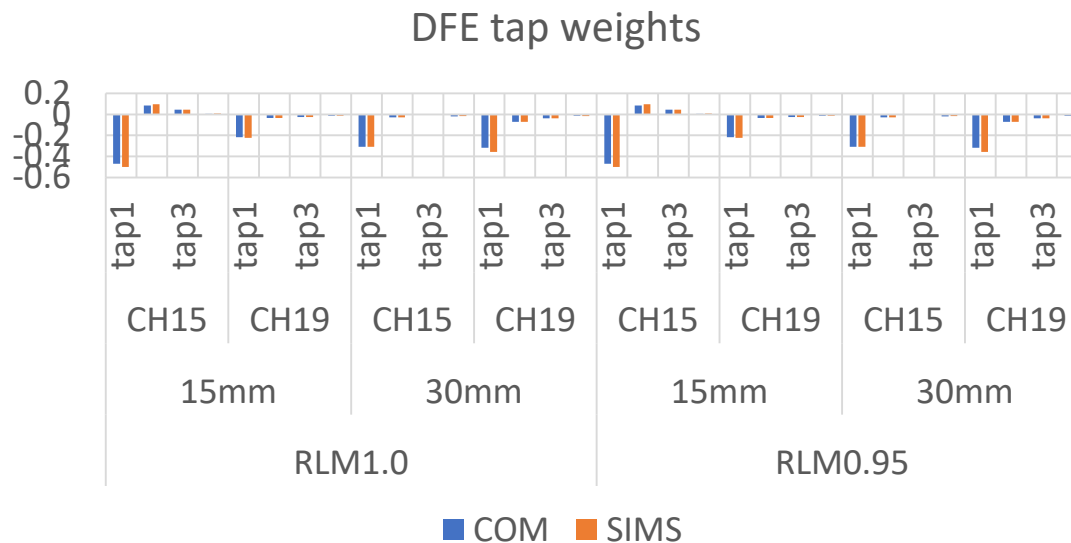
Backup Slides

VEC - EH Mask



Ref RX Methodology I – Leverage Annex 93A and 120E

- Pulse fitting to extract pulse response.
- Leverage Annex 93A for optimal phase and DFE tap weight.
- Apply phase and DFE weight on measured waveforms. Noise and distortion are all kept. Reuse Annex 120E for test point measurement.
- Pros: simple algorithm. Reliable and fast. Similarity with COM tool.
- Existing Annex 93A is well documented for receivers that have only DFE taps.

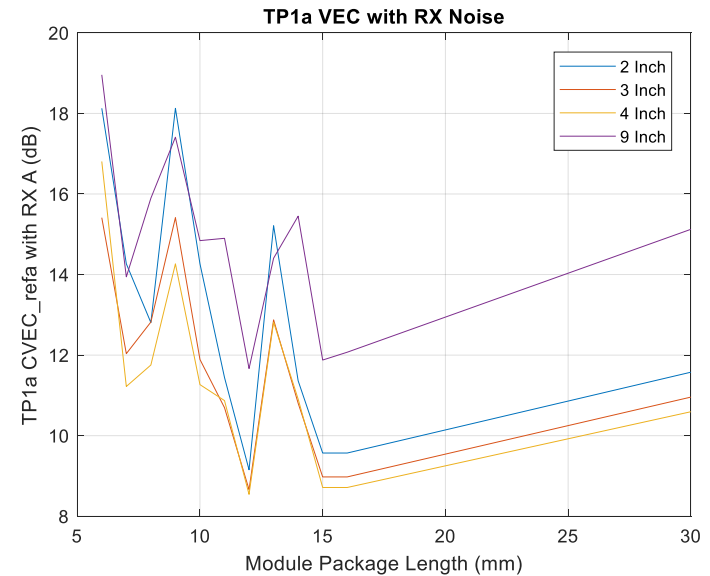
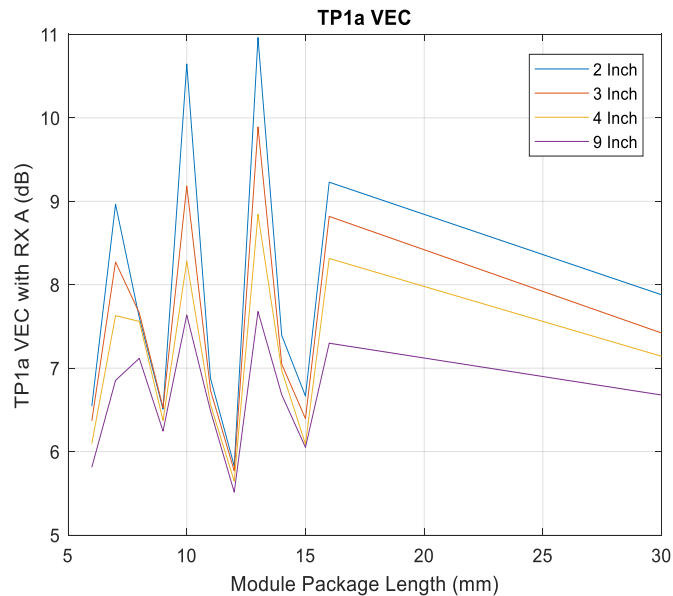


Good correlation is observed for DFE coefficients by waveform simulation and COM tool. This helps to use COM tool for system study.

Alternative Approach – Adding Receiver Noise

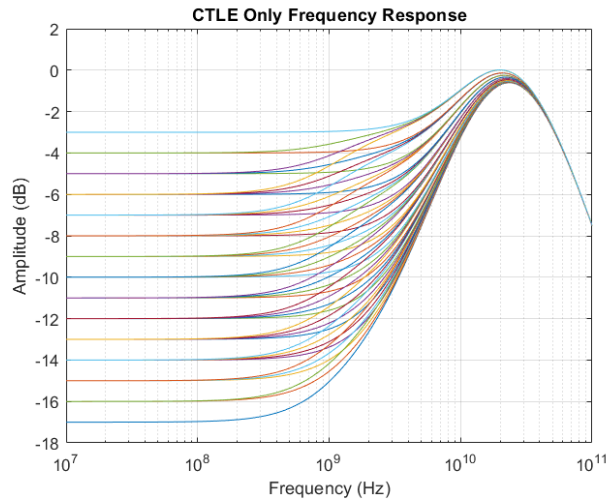
- ❖ Adding receiver noise for TP1a measurement and increase VEC threshold accordingly.
- ❖ After considering receiver impairment, VEC of short and long channels are more balanced.
- ❖ VEC threshold at TP1a is set to 19 dB (equivalent to about 1dB COM).

What if adding RX Noise for Test Point Measurement



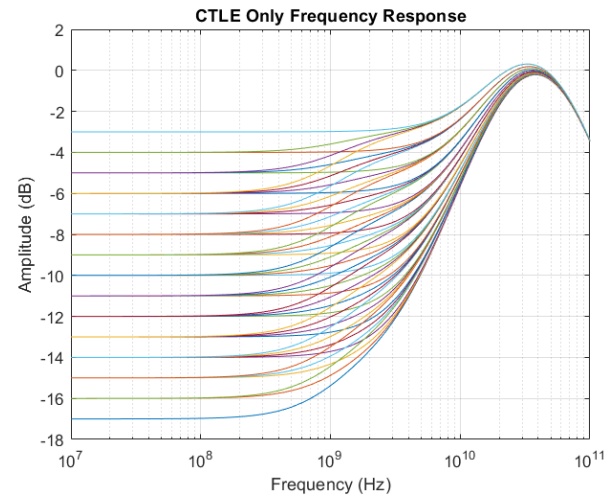
- $25e-8$ V²/GHz noise is added at CTLE input.
- VEC of short channels is not worse than the 9" long channel if RX noise is included for TP1a measurement.

CTLE



CTLE and Noise Filter for Receivers A, A2, and B		
g_{DC}	[-14:1:-3]	dB
f_z	12.58	GHz
f_{p1}	20	GHz
f_{p2}	28	GHz
g_{DC2}	[-3:1:0]	dB
f_{LF}	1.328125	GHz

CTLE for $b_{max}(1) > 0$



CTLE and Noise Filter for Receivers C and D		
g_{DC}	[-14:1:-3]	dB
f_z	18.88	GHz
f_{p1}	28	GHz
f_{p2}	53.125	GHz
g_{DC2}	[-3:1:0]	dB
f_{LF}	1.328125	GHz

CTLE for $b_{max}(1) = 0$

TP1a COM Spread Sheet

Table 93A-1 parameters				I/O control			Table 93A-3 parameters			
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information	DIAGNOSTICS	1	logical	Parameter	Setting	Units	
f_b	53.125	Gbd		DISPLAY_WINDOW	1	logical	package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.0009909 0.0002772]		
f_min	0.05	GHz		CSV_REPORT	1	logical	package_tl_tau	6.141E-03	ns/mm	
Delta_f	0.01	GHz		RESULT_DIR	.\TestCaseFloatingBank\		package_Z_c	[87.5 87.5 ; 92.5 92.5]	Ohm	
C_d	[1.2e-4, 0]	nF	[TX RX]	SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical	Table 92-12 parameters			
L_s	[0.12, 0]	nH	[TX RX]	Port Order	[1 3 2 4]		Parameter	Setting		
C_b	[0.3e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]	RUNTAG	C2M TP1a		board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 3.8206e-04 9.5909e-05]		
z_p select	[1]		[test cases to run]	COM_CONTRIBUTION	0	logical	board_tl_tau	5.790E-03	ns/mm	
z_p (TX)	[13 30; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]	Operational			board_Z_c	90	Ohm	
z_p (NEXT)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	COM Pass threshold	3	dB	z_bp (TX)	119	mm	
z_p (FEXT)	[13 30; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]	ERL Pass threshold	10.5	dB	z_bp (NEXT)	119	mm	
z_p (RX)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	DER_0	1.00E-05		z_bp (FEXT)	119	mm	
C_p	[0.87e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]	T_r	6.16E-03	ns	z_bp (RX)	119	mm	
R_0	50	Ohm		FORCE_TR	1	logical				
R_d	[45, 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]	Include PCB	0	logical				
A_v	0.391	V	vp/vf=.694	TDR and ERL options						
A_fe	0.391	V	vp/vf=.694	TDR	1	logical				
A_ne	0.489	V		ERL	1	logical				
L	4			ERL_ONLY	0	logical				
M	32			TR_TDR	0.01	ns				
filter and Eq				N	400					
f_r	0.75	*fb		TDR_Butterworth	1	logical				
c(0)	0.6		min	beta_x	2.40E+9					
c(-1)	[-0.3:0.02:0]		[min:step:max]	rho_x	0.30					
c(-2)	[0:.02:0.1]		[min:step:max]	fixture delay time	0	enter sec				
c(-3)	[-0.04:.02:0.0]		[min:step:max]	TDR_W_TXPKG	1					
c(1)	[-0.1:0.05:0]		[min:step:max]	N_bx	4	UI				
N_b	4	UI		Receiver testing						
b_max(1)	0.5			RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical				
b_max(2..N_b)	0.2			Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	V				
g_DC	[-14:1:-3]	dB	[min:step:max]	Noise, jitter						
f_z	12.58	GHz		sigma_RJ	0.01	UI				
f_p1	20	GHz		A_DD	0.02	UI				
f_p2	28	GHz		eta_0	8.20E-09	V^2/GHz				
g_DC_HP	[-3:1:0]		[min:step:max]	SNR_TX	33	dB				
f_HP_PZ	1.328125	GHz		R_LM	0.95					
ffe_pre_tap_len	0	UI								
ffe_post_tap_len	0	UI								
ffe_tap_step_size	0									
ffe_main_cursor_min	0.7									
ffe_pre_tap1_max	0.3									
ffe_post_tap1_max	0.3									
ffe_tapn_max	0.125									
ffe_backoff	0									
Floating Tap Control										
N_bg	0		0 1 2 or 3 groups							
N_bf	0		taps per group							
N_f	40		UI span for floating taps							
bmaxg	0.05		max DFE value for floating taps							

Whole-link COM Spread Sheet

Table 93A-1 parameters				I/O control			Table 93A-3 parameters		
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information	DIAGNOSTICS	0	logical	Parameter	Setting	Units
f_b	53.125	GBd		DISPLAY_WINDOW	0	logical	package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.0009909 0.0002772]	
f_min	0.05	GHz		CSV_REPORT	1	logical	package_tl_tau	6.141E-03	ns/mm
Delta_f	0.01	GHz		RESULT_DIR	.\TestCaseFloatingBank\		package_Z_c	[87.5 87.5 ; 92.5 92.5]	Ohm
C_d	[1.2e-4 , 0.85e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical	Table 92-12 parameters		
L_s	[0.12, 0.12]	nH	[TX RX]	Port Order	[1 3 2 4]		Parameter	Setting	
C_b	[0.3e-4 0.3e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	RUNTAG	C2M end-to-end		board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 3.8206e-04 9.5909e-05]	
z_p select	[1]		[test cases to run]	COM_CONTRIBUTION	0	logical	board_tl_tau	5.790E-03	ns/mm
z_p (TX)	[13 30; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]	Operational			board_Z_c	90	Ohm
z_p (NEXT)	[6 2; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	COM Pass threshold	3	dB	z_bp (TX)	119	mm
z_p (FEXT)	[13 30; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]	ERL Pass threshold	10.5	dB	z_bp (NEXT)	119	mm
z_p (RX)	[6 2; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	DER_0	1.00E-05		z_bp (FEXT)	119	mm
C_p	[0.87e-4 0.75e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	T_r	6.16E-03	ns	z_bp (RX)	119	mm
R_0	50	Ohm		FORCE_TR	1	logical			
R_d	[45, 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]	Include PCB	0	logical			
A_v	0.391	V	vp/vf= .694	TDR and ERL options					
A_fe	0.391	V	vp/vf= .694	TDR	1	logical			
A_ne	0.489	V		ERL	1	logical			
L	4			ERL_ONLY	0	logical			
M	32			TR_TDR	0.01	ns			
filter and Eq				N	400				
f_r	0.75	*fb		TDR_Butterworth	1	logical			
c(0)	0.6		min	beta_x	2.40E+9				
c(-1)	[-0.3:0.02:0]		[min:step:max]	rho_x	0.30				
c(-2)	[0:.02:0.1]		[min:step:max]	fixture delay time	0	enter sec			
c(-3)	[-0.04:.02:0.0]		[min:step:max]	TDR_W_TXPKG	1				
c(1)	[-0.1:0.05:0]		[min:step:max]	N_bx	4	UI			
N_b	4	UI		Receiver testing					
b_max(1)	0.5			RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical			
b_max(2..N_b)	0.2			Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	V			
g_DC	[-14:1:-3]	dB	[min:step:max]	Noise, jitter					
f_z	12.58	GHz		sigma_RJ	0.01	UI			
f_p1	20	GHz		A_DD	0.02	UI			
f_p2	28	GHz		eta_0	8.20E-09	V^2/GHz			
g_DC_HP	[-3:1:0]		[min:step:max]	SNR_TX	33	dB			
f_HP_PZ	1.328125	GHz		R_LM	0.95				
ffe_pre_tap_len	0	UI							
ffe_post_tap_len	0	UI							
ffe_tap_step_size	0								
ffe_main_cursor_min	0.7								
ffe_pre_tap1_max	0.3								
ffe_post_tap1_max	0.3								
ffe_tapn_max	0.125								
ffe_backoff	0								
Floating Tap Control									
N_bg	0		0 1 2 or 3 groups						
N_bf	4		taps per group						
N_f	40		UI span for floating taps						
bmaxg	0.05		max DFE value for floating taps						

TP4 COM Spread Sheet

Table 93A-1 parameters				I/O control			Table 93A-3 parameters			
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information	DIAGNOSTICS	0	logical	Parameter	Setting	Units	
f_b	53.125	GBd		DISPLAY_WINDOW	0	logical	package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.0009909 0.0002772]		
f_min	0.05	GHz		CSV_REPORT	1	logical	package_tl_tau	6.141E-03	ns/mm	
Delta_f	0.01	GHz		RESULT_DIR	.\TestCaseFloatingBank\		package_Z_c	[87.5 87.5 ; 92.5 92.5]	Ohm	
C_d	[0.85e-4 , 0]	nF	[TX RX]	SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical	Table 92-12 parameters			
L_s	[0.12, 0]	nH	[TX RX]	Port Order	[1 3 2 4]		Parameter	Setting		
C_b	[0.3e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]	RUNTAG	testPkg		board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 3.8206e-04 9.5909e-05]		
z_p select	[1 2]		[test cases to run]	COM_CONTRIBUTION	0	logical	board_tl_tau	5.790E-03	ns/mm	
z_p (TX)	[6 8; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	Operational			board_Z_c	90	Ohm	
z_p (NEXT)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	COM Pass threshold	3	dB	z_bp (TX)	119	mm	
z_p (FEXT)	[6 8; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	ERL Pass threshold	10.5	dB	z_bp (NEXT)	119	mm	
z_p (RX)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	DER_0	1.00E-05		z_bp (FEXT)	119	mm	
C_p	[0.75e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]	T_r	6.16E-03	ns	z_bp (RX)	119	mm	
R_0	50	Ohm		FORCE_TR	1	logical				
R_d	[45, 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]	Include PCB	0	logical				
A_v	0.391	V	vp/vf=.694	TDR and ERL options						
A_fe	0.391	V	vp/vf=.694	TDR	1	logical				
A_ne	0.489	V		ERL	1	logical				
L	4			ERL_ONLY	0	logical				
M	32			TR_TDR	0.01	ns				
filter and Eq				N	400					
f_r	0.75	*fb		TDR_Butterworth	1	logical				
c(0)	0.6		min	beta_x	2.40E+9					
c(-1)	[-0.3:0.02:0]		[min:step:max]	rho_x	0.30					
c(-2)	[0:.02:0.1]		[min:step:max]	fixture delay time	0	enter sec				
c(-3)	[-0.04:.02:0.0]		[min:step:max]	TDR_W_TXPKG	1					
c(1)	[-0.1:0.05:0]		[min:step:max]	N_bx	4	UI				
N_b	4	UI		Receiver testing						
b_max(1)	0.5			RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical				
b_max(2..N_b)	0.2			Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	V				
g_DC	[-14:1:-3]	dB	[min:step:max]	Noise, jitter						
f_z	12.58	GHz		sigma_RJ	0.01	UI				
f_p1	20	GHz		A_DD	0.02	UI				
f_p2	28	GHz		eta_0	8.20E-09	V^2/GHz				
g_DC_HP	[-3:1:0]		[min:step:max]	SNR_TX	33	dB				
f_HP_PZ	1.328125	GHz		R_LM	0.95					