

ERL Discussion for KR and C2C

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Outlines

- Background
- Example TP0a
- COM parameters
- dERL value
- Straw polls

Background

- Within the small group discussion, we can't get consensus of KR/C2C TX/RX ERL specs at this moment
 - Put several options on the table to facilitate the discussion at Task Force level
- Based on Matt's contribution on Sept. 16th, '20 ([brown 3ck adhoc 01 091620.pdf](#)) & straw poll followed
 - Removal of "Example TX test fixture, TP0a" in D1p3 → nearly tied (10 for yes, 11 for no)
 - Replacing Rx test fixture spec with TP5v, similar to TP0v → strong support (14 for yes, 7 for no)
- The purposes of this contribution
 - Explore on some details related to TP0v calculation
 - Help the Task Force facilitate discussions for next step

Discussions in the small group

- The intuitive ideas **(not consensus!)**
 - Reference test points are TP0v (TX) and TP5V (RX)
 - Start from the R1.3 COM table for reference die+pkg for TX and RX
 - REF ERLs will be derived from it
 - dERL limits are ≥ 0 dB for TX and RX
- Let's discuss more after detailed explorations in this contribution
 - Followed by straw poll to get sense from the Task Force

Example TX test fixture, TP0a (informative)

- Debating of the necessity of TP0a in ad-hoc on Sept. 16th, '20
 - Some raised concerns about the complexity of TP0v methodology
- Q: What if we just relaxed TP0a IL spec (to say 2.4 +/- 0.4 dB) & keep the original TP0a methodology?
 - Call to action: check the sensitivity of ERL, v_f , & v_{peak} for TP0a test fixture with IL from 2.0 to 2.8 dB
- Take straw poll #1

When measured using this test fixture, the reference values determined according to the methodology in 163A.3 take values listed in Table 163–7.

Table 163–7—Summary of transmitter reference values at TP0a

Parameter	Reference	Value	Units
Effective return loss	163.9.2.3	TBD	dB
Transmitter steady-state voltage, v_f	162.9.3.1.2	TBD	V
Transmitter linear fit pulse peak, v_{peak}	162.9.3.1.2	TBD	V

KR/C2C ERL – test fixture, parameters, & specs

- TPOv
 - [IL < 5 dB](#) @ 26.56 GHz
 - ILD ≤ 0.2 dB from 0.05 to 26.56 GHz
 - Common-mode RL ≥ 10 dB from 0.05 to 26.56 GHz
- Reference device & package model
 - By COM parameters
 - Q: **Rd = 50**?
 - It's too optimistic from return loss point-of-view
 - Check ERL sensitivity of Rd \rightarrow later in this contribution
 - Q: Shall we set different Rd for ERL calculation?
 - We need to decide [dERL](#) value
 - Q: ≥ 0 vs. < 0

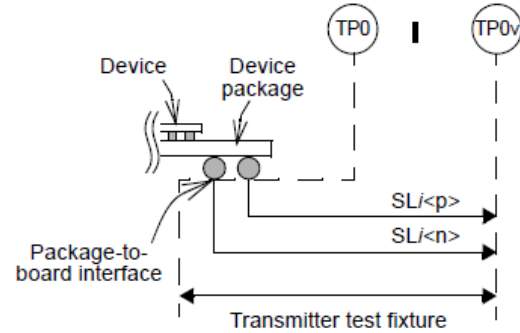


Figure 163–3—Transmitter test fixture and test points

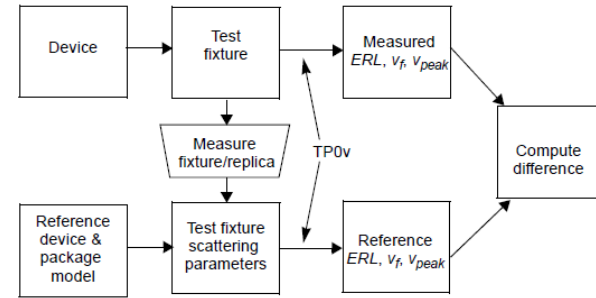


Figure 163A–1—Measurement method for transmitter reference steady-state voltage, pulse peak and ERL

TX ERL reference values – Sweeping Rd

- An example TP0 to TP0v test fixture
 - IL = 2.12 dB @ 26.56 GHz
- Sweep Rd to check ERL sensitivity
 - Shall at least consider Rd = 50 +/- 10%
 - 1.1 ~ 1.5 dB ERL difference for Rd = 50 vs. Rd = 55
- COM spread sheet
 - In appendix

Clause	C137 (50G-KR)	
	TX ERL	RX ERL
ERL (dB)	15	15

- ERL (min) for 50G-KR is 15 dB
 - Expect 100G-KR to be similar to that
- Straw poll (#2)
 - Calculate ERL reference value by Rd = 55, while keep Rd = 50 for channel COM calculation

Parameters	Conditions	Values					
Rd (Ohm)		30	35	40	45	50	55
TX ERL ref. values (dB)	KR ($N_{bx} = 21$)	14.76	17.84	19.67	19.20	18.42	17.35
	C2C ($N_{bx} = 6$)	13.89	16.87	18.51	18.11	17.50	15.97

TP0v – dERL & ERL reference value

163.9.2 Transmitter characteristics

The transmitter shall meet the specifications given in Table 163–5. A test system with a fourth-order Bessel-Thomson low-pass response with 40 GHz 3 dB bandwidth is to be used for all transmitter signal measurements, unless otherwise specified.

Table 163–5—Summary of transmitter specifications at TP0v

Parameter	Reference	Value	Units
Signaling rate		53.125 ± 100 ppm	GBd
Differential pk-pk voltage (max) ^a	93.8.1.3		
Transmitter disabled		30	mV
Transmitter enabled		1200	mV
DC common-mode voltage (max) ^a	93.8.1.3	1.0	V
DC common-mode voltage (min) ^a	93.8.1.3	0.2	V
AC common-mode RMS voltage (max) ^a	93.8.1.3	30	mV
Difference between measured and reference effective return loss (min), <i>dERL</i>	163A.3.2.2	TBD	dB

- TX ERL
 - dERL, instead of ERL
- Q: Does 0 dB make sense?
 - Reserve margins not covered in ERL calculation?
 - Give the flexibility of Serdes design
- Straw poll #3

163A.3.1.2 Effective return loss reference value

Effective return loss (ERL) is defined in 93A.5. The ERL reference value is determined as follows. Obtain the pulse time-domain reflection (PTDR) response from $S^{(0)}$ using Equation (93A–58) and Equation (93A–59). Determine the ERL reference value from the PTDR response using the method in 93A.5.2.

163A.3.2.2 Effective return loss

Measure the effective return loss using the method defined in 93A.5.

The difference between the measured and reference ERL, *dERL*, is calculated using Equation (163A–6).

$$dERL = ERL^{(meas)} - ERL^{(ref)}$$

(163A–6)

Alternative Ideas

- The intuitive ideas **(not consensus!)**
 - Reference test points are ~~TP0v (TX) and TP5V (RX)~~
 - TP0a/TP5a with relaxed IL/ILD specs
 - Start from the ~~R1.3 COM~~ table for reference die+pkg for TX and RX
 - R1.3 COM except Rd = 55
 - REF ERLs will be derived from it
 - dERL limits are ≥ 0 dB for TX and RX
 - Other possible values, such as < 0

Straw Polls

- #1. I support TP0a test fixture with relaxed IL & ILD specs
 - Y vs. N
- #2. I support adopt COM parameter, $R_d=55$, in the “reference package & device model” in Figure 163A-1
 - Y vs. N
- #3. (Chicago rule) I support dERL in Table 163-5 as
 - > 0
 - 0
 - < 0

Thank You

COM spread sheet – IEEE KR

- ERL22 for TX ERL
- ERL11 for RX ERL

Table 93A-1 parameters				I/O control			Table 93A-3 parameters					
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information				Parameter	Setting	Units			
f_b	53.125	Gbd		DIAGNOSTICS	1	logical	package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.0009909 0.0002772]				
f_min	0.05	GHz		DISPLAY_WINDOW	1	logical	package_tl_tau	0.006141	ns/mm			
Delta_f	0.01	GHz		RESULT_DIR	.\results\100GEL_KR_(date)\		package_Z_c	[87.5 87.5 : 92.5 92.5]	Ohm			
C_d	[1.2e-4 1.2e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical	Table 92 - 12 parameters					
L_s	[0.12, 0.12]	nH	[TX RX]	Port Order	[3 4 1 2]		Parameter	Setting				
C_b	[0.3e-4 0.3e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	RUNTAG	KR_eval_		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)	[31 31, 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]	Operational			board_tl_z_c	100	Ohm			
z_p (NEXT)	[0 0, 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	COM Pass threshold	3	dB	z_bp (TX)	110.3	mm			
z_p (FEXT)	[0 0, 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	ERL Pass threshold	8	dB	z_bp (NEXT)	110.3	mm			
z_p (RX)	[29 29, 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]	DER_O	0.0001		z_bp (FEXT)	110.3	mm			
C_p	[0.87e-4 0.87e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	T_r	0.0075	ns	z_bp (RX)	110.3	mm			
R_o	50	Ohm		FORCE_TR	1	logical	C_0	[0.23e-4]	nF			
R_d	[50 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]	Local Search	2		C_1	[0.19e-4]	nF			
A_v	0.413	V		BREAD_CRUMBS	1	logical	Include PCB	0	logical			
A_fe	0.413	V		SAVE_CONFIG2MAT	1	logical	Floating Tap Control					
A_ne	0.608	V		TDR and ERL options						N_bg	3	0 1 2 or 3 groups
L	4			TDR	1	logical	N_bf	3	taps per group			
M	32			ERL	1	logical	N_f	40	UI span for floating taps			
filter and Eq				ERL_ONLY	1	logical	bm_max	0.05	max DFE value for floating taps			
f_r	0.75	*fb		TR_TDR	0.01	ns	B_float_RSS_MAX	0.02	rss tail tap limit			
c(0)	0.54		min	N	200		N_tail_start	25	(UI) start of tail taps limit			
c(-1)	[-0.34;0.02;0]		[min;step;max]	beta_x	0		ICN parameters					
c(-2)	[0.0;0.02;0.12]		[min;step;max]	rho_x	0.618		f_v	0.594	*Fb			
c(-3)	[-0.06;0.02;0]		[min;step;max]	fixture delay time	[2.40e-9 2.14e-9]	port1 port2	f_f	0.594	*Fb			
c(1)	[-0.2;0.05;0]		[min;step;max]	TDR_W_TXPKG	1		f_n	0.594	*Fb			
N_b	12	UI		N_bx	21	UI	f_2	40.000	GHz			
b_max(1)	0.85			Tukey_Window	1	logical	A_ft	0.600	V			
b_max(2..N_b)	[0.3 0.2*ones(1,10)]			Noise, jitter						A_nt	0.600	V
b_min(1)	0.3			sigma_RJ	0.01	UI	Receiver testing					
b_min(2..N_b)	[0.05 -0.03*ones(1,10)]			A_DD	0.02	UI	RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical			
g_DC	[-20;1;0]	dB	[min;step;max]	eta_0	8.20E-09	V^2/GHz	Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	v			
f_z	21.25	GHz		SNR_TX	33	dB						
f_p1	21.25	GHz		R_LIM	0.95							
f_p2	53.125	GHz										
g_DC_HP	[-6;1;0]		[min;step;max]									
f_HP_PZ	0.6640625	GHz										

COM spread sheet – IEEE C2C

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- ERL11 for RX ERL

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f_min	0.05	GHz		DISPLAY_WINDOW	1	logical	package_tl_tau	0.006141	ns/mm
Delta_f	0.01	GHz		CSV_REPORT	1	logical	package_Z_c	[87.5 87.5 ; 92.5 92.5]	Ohm
C_d	[1.2e-4 1.2e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	RESULT_DIR	.\results\100GEL_KR_(date)\		Table 92 - 12 parameters		
L_s	[0.12, 0.12]	nH	[TX RX]	SAVE_FIGURES	0	logical	Parameter	Setting	Units
C_b	[0.3e-4 0.3e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	Port Order	[3 4 1 2]		board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 3.8206e-04 9.5909e-05]	
z_p select	[1 2]		[test cases to run]	RUNTAG	KR_eval_		board_tl_tau	5.790E-03	ns/mm
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z_p (NEXT)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	Operational			z_bp (TX)	110.3	mm
z_p (FEXT)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]	COM Pass threshold	3	dB	z_bp (NEXT)	110.3	mm
z_p (RX)	[29 29; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]	ERL Pass threshold	8	dB	z_bp (FEXT)	110.3	mm
C_p	[0.87e-4 0.87e-4]	nF	[TX RX]	DER_D	1.00E-05		z_bp (RX)	110.3	mm
R_o	50	Ohm		T_r	0.0075	ns	C_o	[0.29e-4]	nF
R_d	[50 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]	FORCE_TR	1	logical	C_1	[0.19e-4]	nF
A_v	0.413	V		Local Search	2		Include PCB	0	logical
A_fe	0.413	V		BREAD_CRUMBS	1	logical	Floating Tap Control		
A_ne	0.608	V		SAVE_CONFIG2MAT	1	logical	N_bg	0	0 1 2 or 3 groups
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M	32			TDR	1	logical	N_f	40	UI span for floating taps
filter and Eq				ERL	1	logical	bmaxg	0.05	max DFE value for floating taps
f_r	0.75	*fb		ERL_ONLY	1	logical	B_float_RSS_MAX	0.02	rss tail tap limit
c(0)	0.54	min		TR_TDR	0.01	ns	N_tail_start	25	(UI) start of tail taps limit
c(-1)	[-0.28;0.02;0]	[min;step;max]		N	200		ICN parameters		
c(-2)	[0.0;0.2;0.1]	[min;step;max]		beta_x	0		f_v	0.594	*Fb
c(-3)	[-0.04;0.02;0]	[min;step;max]		rho_x	0.618		f_f	0.594	*Fb
c(1)	[-0.1;0.05;0]	[min;step;max]		fixture delay time	[2.40e-9 2.14e-9]	port1 port2	f_a	0.594	*Fb
N_b	6	UI		TDR_IW_TXPKG	1		f_2	40.000	GHz
b_max(1)	0.65			N_bx	6	UI	A_ft	0.600	V
b_max(2_N_b)	[0.15 0.1*ones(1,4)]			Tukey_Window	1	logical	A_nt	0.600	V
b_min(1)	0.3			Noise, jitter			Receiver testing		
b_min(2_N_b)	[0.05 -0.04*ones(1,4)]			sigma_RJ	0.01	UI	RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical
g_DC	[-20;1;0]	dB	[min;step;max]	A_DD	0.02	UI	Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	V
f_z	21.25	GHz		eta_o	2.00E-08	V^2/GHz			
f_p1	21.25	GHz		SNR_TX	33	dB			
f_p2	53.125	GHz		R_LM	0.95				
g_DC_HP	[-4;1;0]		[min;step;max]						
f_HP_P2	0.6640625	GHz							

ERL Parameters Comparison

163 (100G-KR)

Table 163–8—Transmitter and receiver ERL parameter values

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Units
Transition time associated with a pulse	T_r	0.01	ns
Incremental available signal loss factor	β_x	0	GHz
Permitted reflection from a transmission line external to the device under test	ρ_x	0.618	—
Length of the reflection signal	N	200	UI
Equalizer length associated with reflection signal	N_{bx}	21	UI
Tukey window flag	rw	1	—

137 (50G-KR)

Table 137–5—Transmitter and receiver ERL parameter values

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Units
Transition time associated with a pulse	T_r	0.0189	ns
Incremental available signal loss factor	β_x	1.7	GHz
Permitted reflection from a transmission line external to the device under test	ρ_x	0.32	—
Length of the reflection signal	N	100	UI

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Table 120F–2—Transmitter and receiver ERL parameter values

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Units
Transition time associated with a pulse	T_r	0.01	ns
Incremental available signal loss factor	β_x	0	GHz
Permitted reflection from a transmission line external to the device under test	ρ_x	0.618	—
Length of the reflection signal	N	200	UI
Equalizer length associated with reflection signal	N_{bx}	6	UI
Tukey window flag	rw	1	—

COM Parameters Comparison

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Table 163–11—COM parameter values

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Units
Signaling rate	f_b	53.125	GBd
Maximum start frequency	f_{\min}	0.05	GHz
Maximum frequency step	Δf	0.01	GHz
Device package model			
Single-ended device pad capacitance	C_d	1.2×10^{-4}	nF
Single-ended device series inductance	L_s	0.12	nH
Single-ended device bump capacitance	C_b	3×10^{-5}	nF
Transmission line length, Test 1	z_p	12	mm
Transmission line length, Tx Test 2	z_p	31	mm
Transmission line length, Rx Test 2	z_p	29	mm
Transmission line parameter, a_1	a_1	9.909×10^{-4}	ns ^{1/2} /mm
Transmission line parameter, a_2	a_2	2.772×10^{-4}	ns/mm
Single-ended package capacitance at package-to-board interface	C_p	8.7×10^{-5}	nF
Transmission line characteristic impedance	Z_c	87.5	Ω
Transmission line 2 length	z_{p2}	1.8	mm
Transmission line 2 characteristic impedance	Z_{c2}	92.5	Ω
Single-ended reference resistance	R_0	50	Ω
Single-ended termination resistance	R_d	50	Ω

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Table 120F–7—COM parameter values

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Units
Signaling rate	f_b	53.125	GBd
Maximum start frequency	f_{\min}	0.05	GHz
Maximum frequency step	Δf	0.01	GHz
Device package model			
Single-ended device pad capacitance	C_d	1.2e-4	nF
Single-ended device series inductance	L_s	0.12	nH
Single-ended device capacitance at device-to-package interface	C_b	3×10^{-5}	nF
Transmission line length, Tx Test 1	z_p	13	mm
Transmission line length, Rx Test 1	z_p	11	mm
Transmission line length, Tx Test 2	z_p	31	mm
Transmission line length, Rx Test 2	z_p	29	mm
Transmission line 2 length	z_{p2}	1.8	mm
Transmission line parameter, a_1	a_1	9.909×10^{-4}	ns ^{1/2} /mm
Transmission line parameter, a_2	a_2	2.772×10^{-4}	ns/mm
Single-ended package capacitance at package-to-board interface	C_p	8.7×10^{-5}	nF
Package transmission line nominal characteristic impedance	Z_c	87.5	Ω
Package transmission line 2 nominal characteristic impedance	Z_{c2}	92.5	Ω
Single-ended reference resistance	R_0	50	Ω
Single-ended termination resistance	R_d	50	Ω