

# 802.3cu D2.0 PMD Spec Proposed Changes

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P802.3cu 100 Gb/s and 400 Gb/s over SMF at  
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# Introduction

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- During the 802.3cu January Interim meeting, D1.1 changes were adopted based on proposals in the following:  
[http://www.ieee802.org/3/cu/public/Jan20/cole\\_3cu\\_01b\\_0120.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/cu/public/Jan20/cole_3cu_01b_0120.pdf)
- TDECQ -  $10\log_{10}(C_{eq})$  was removed from Clause 140 and 151 TX Specifications
- To make the spec consistent, SECQ -  $10\log_{10}(C_{eq})$  should be removed from Clause 140 and 151 RX specifications
- The reasons are the same as presented in January
  - The spec. is not useful
  - The spec. is redundant
  - The spec. is has poor correlation with real performance
- This deck is in support of related comments against D2.0

# 100G Clause 140 Receive Characteristics

Table 140–7—100GBASE-DR, 100GBASE-FR1, and 100GBASE-LR1 receive characteristics

| Description  | Value<br><u>100GBASE-DR</u> | <u>100GBASE-FR1</u> | <u>100GBASE-LR1</u> | Unit |
|--|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------|
| Signaling rate (range)   | 53.125 ± 100 ppm            |                     |                     | GBd  |
| Conditions of stressed receiver sensitivity test: <sup>e</sup>   |                             |                     |                     |      |
| Stressed eye closure for PAM4 (SECQ)                             | 3.4                         | <u>3.4</u>          | <u>3.4</u>          | dB   |
| SECQ – 10log <sub>10</sub> (C <sub>eq</sub> ) <sup>f</sup> (max) | 3.4                         | <del>3.4</del>      | <del>3.4</del>      | dB   |

<sup>f</sup>C<sub>eq</sub> is a coefficient defined in 121.8.5.3, which accounts for the reference equalizer noise enhancement.

# 400G Clause 151 Receive Characteristics

Table 151–8—400GBASE-FR4 and 400GBASE-LR4-6 receive characteristics

| Description   | 400GBASE-FR4     | 400GBASE-LR4-6 | Unit          |
|---|------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Signaling rate, each lane (range)   | 53.125 ± 100 ppm |                | GBd           |
| Conditions of stressed receiver sensitivity test: <sup>e</sup>              |                  |                |               |
| Stressed eye closure for PAM4 (SECQ), lane under test                       | 3.4              | 3.5            | dB            |
| <del>SECQ – 10log<sub>10</sub>(C<sub>eq</sub>), lane under test (max)</del> | <del>3.4</del>   | <del>3.5</del> | <del>dB</del> |
| OMA <sub>outer</sub> of each aggressor lane                                 | 1.5              | –0.4           | dBm           |

## 151.8.11.2 Stressed receiver conformance test signal characteristics and calibration

The stressed receiver conformance test signal characteristics and calibration methods are as described in 121.8.9.2 with the following exceptions:

- The required values of the “Stressed receiver sensitivity (OMA<sub>outer</sub>), each lane (max)”, “Stressed eye closure for PAM4 (SECQ), lane under test”, ~~“SECQ – 10log<sub>10</sub>(C<sub>eq</sub>) (max), lane under test”~~, and “OMA<sub>outer</sub> of each aggressor lane” are as given in Table 151–8 for 400GBASE-FR4 and 400GBASE-LR4-6.

# Appendix

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# A1: January Interim Presentation Clarification

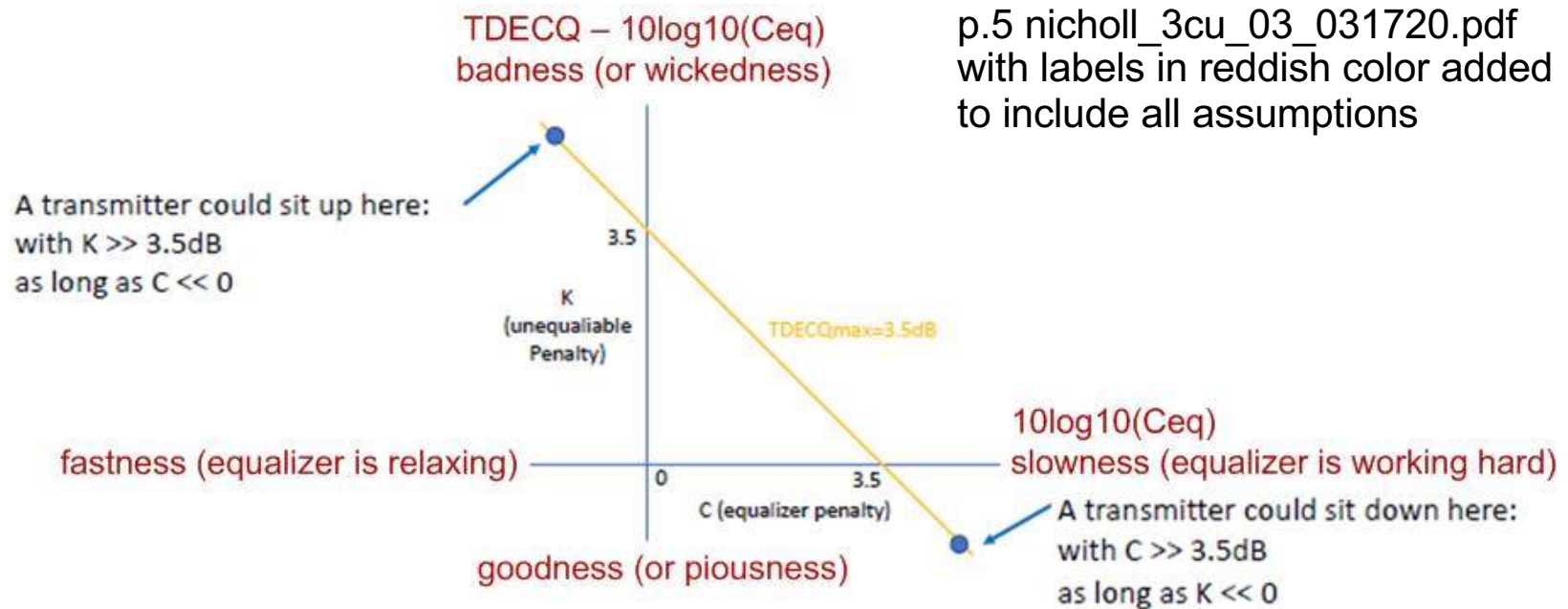
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- One of the conclusions in the 802.3cu January Interim presentation is the following:  
[http://www.ieee802.org/3/cu/public/Jan20/cole\\_3cu\\_01b\\_0120.pdf#page=11](http://www.ieee802.org/3/cu/public/Jan20/cole_3cu_01b_0120.pdf#page=11)
- Several comments were received after the meeting pointing out that the heading has a spelling error
- The word “UND” is in the original artwork downloaded from the web, AND is there intentionally as a self-deprecating element in subtle contrast to the categorical tone of the complete statement

# A2: TDECQ - $10\log_{10}(C_{eq})$ Spec Basis

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- Gary's 3/17/20 presentation clarifies the complex arguments used in support of TDECQ -  $10\log_{10}(C_{eq})$  spec
- It shows that the assumptions are all in the plot of TDECQ -  $10\log_{10}(C_{eq}) = K$  vs.  $10\log_{10}(C_{eq}) = C$  (see below)
- This plot is on nearly every page of every proposal





## A2: TDECQ - $10\log_{10}(C_{eq})$

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- Penalty quantifies the difference in device operation at two different operating conditions, as measured by BER, or as correlated to BER.
- No BER based penalty measurements have been presented to support the spec proposal; just hypothesis and simulation
- The  $K \gg 3.5\text{dB}$  “bad” points are in the “fastness” TX, left half plot area, but we don’t have such 100G TXs to measure
- The  $K \ll 0\text{dB}$  “great” points are in the “goodness” TX, lower half plot area, but we don’t have such 100G TXs to measure
- Presented 50G PAM4 TX data shows that TDECQ –  $10\log_{10}(C_{eq})$  has poor correlation to actual performance

## A2: $10\log_{10}(C_{eq})$

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- At this point, there is broad understanding of  $C_{eq}$ , including its mathematical relation to TX bandwidth and overshoot.  
[http://www.ieee802.org/3/cu/public/Jan20/cole\\_3cu\\_01b\\_0120.pdf#page=6](http://www.ieee802.org/3/cu/public/Jan20/cole_3cu_01b_0120.pdf#page=6)
- Historically, slow & fast TX corners have been constrained  
[http://www.ieee802.org/3/cu/public/Jan20/cole\\_3cu\\_01b\\_0120.pdf#page=17](http://www.ieee802.org/3/cu/public/Jan20/cole_3cu_01b_0120.pdf#page=17)
- Rise/fall time spec limits the slow corner
- Tap weight spec limits the fast corner insufficiently
  - implementation dependent
  - constrains internal design by inverse transform of taps
  - ex. low-cost integrated TX with no FIR and DAC circuit
- General specification methodology is to limit externally measurable behavior, referred to as black box
- Standard upper/lower “eye” spec limit does this

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Thank You