IEEE P802.3ar Congestion Management Task Force

Report to 802.3 CSMA/CD WG

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P802.3ar Congestion Management

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Reflector and Web

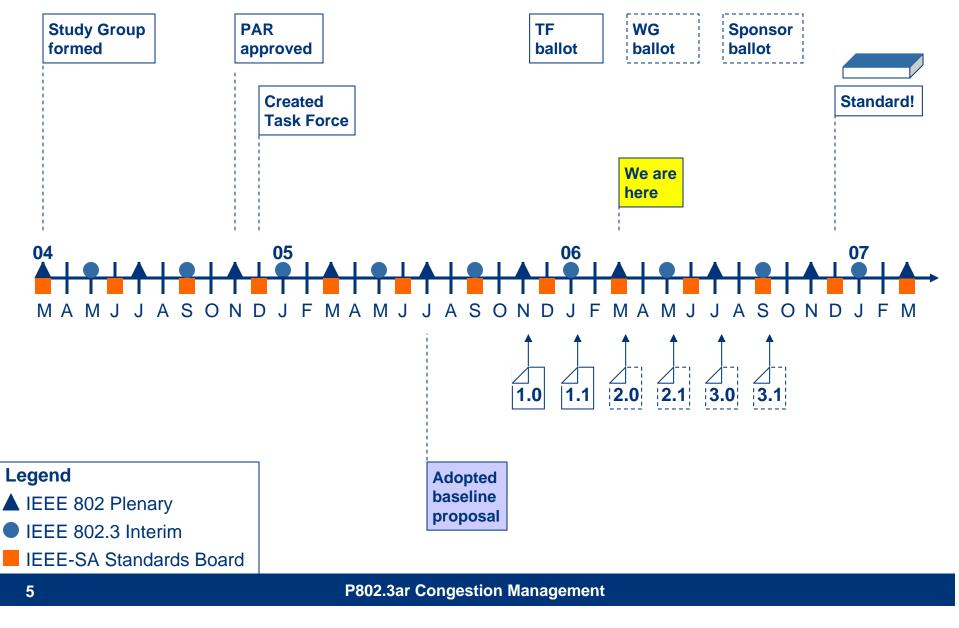
- List subscribers: ~200
- To subscribe to the Congestion Management TF reflector send an email to: listserv@ieee.org
- with the following in the body of the message: subscribe stds-802-3-cm <first name> <last name>
- Congestion Management TF web page URL: http://www.ieee802.org/3/ar/

P802.3ar TF objectives

- 1) Specify a mechanism to limit the rate of transmitted data on an Ethernet link
- 2) Specify a mechanism to support the communication of congestion information
- 3) Minimize throughput reduction in noncongested flows
- 4) Preserve the MAC/PLS service interfaces

Approved by IEEE 802.3 WG on 18-Nov-2004

Current timeline



802.3ar comment summary

	TR	Т	ER	E	Total
D1.0	0	1	0	10	11
D1.1	0	0	0	0	0

802.3ar/D1.0 Comment #11

Comment

Another project, another MAC option. Even the streamlined 4A is gaining an option. It's time we added a table of what the options are: it's too hard to try to disentangle this information from the 130-page Clause 30. I would like to see something like a PICS added. I'm not so much concerned that it be a checkable form, but that there be a clear, simple table. It could go in 4.1 or 4.4. I am aware that 'a PICS has never been defined for the MAC. This has been the case despite the addition of full-duplex mode, frame bursting capability, deference (4A), 802.1 Qtags, IPG stretching, etc.' Also speed, CRC generation, envelope frame capability, 1G bursting. With each addition, the need for a table becomes greater.

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Suggested Remedy

Please add a table of MAC options within Clause 4. Please add a table of MAC options within Clause 4A.

Response ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This seems like a good idea (service to humanity). Some members of the 802.3as and 802.3ar Task Forces suggested that a new informative annex (Annex 4B) could be created to summarize MAC options. However, such a change would be beyond the scope of either Task Force and would require the mandate of the WG. The editor has "volunteered" to work with the commenter to prepare a short proposal for review during the 802.3 Plenary.

Goals for the week

- Request 802.3 WG approval to move to WG ballot on Thursday during 802.3 closing session
 - 802.3ar/D1.1 was pre-circulated on 2/23
 - Zero comments received on D1.1
 - Discuss possible Annex 4B

Plans for the week

Day	Time	Room	Activity
Tue 3/7	0900-1200	Granite A (3 rd floor)	Opening Discussion of Annex 4B Prepare for WG ballot

Thank You

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