



802.1au: Simulation Ad Hoc Report

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CN-SIM Ad-Hoc: Overview

- Meetings:
 - 6 Weekly (2 hour) meetings held since Nov 2006 IEEE 802.1 Plenary meeting
- Participation:
 - 13+ members actively participated in the calls
 - Representing 10+ companies
- Goal:
 - Create benchmark scenarios and workloads
 - Validate various proposals for “Required Benchmarks”

Thank you all for great team work!

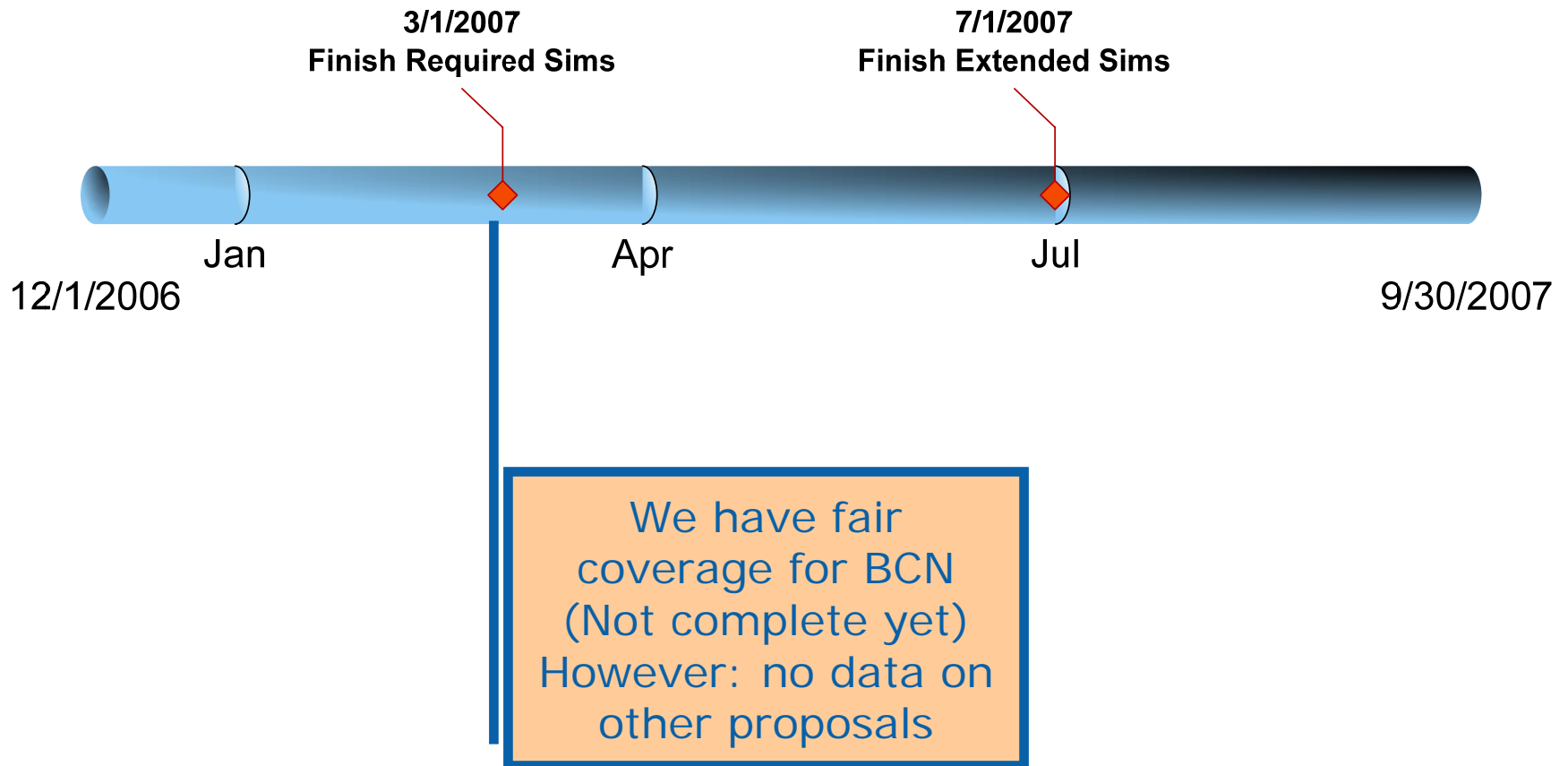
Status

- Benchmark topologies and workloads were discussed
 - <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2007/au-sim-wadekar-reqd-extended-sim-list020807.pdf>
- No simulations/results were discussed for new proposal/s
- BCN (Renamed as ECM: Ethernet Congestion Management) protocol description discussed: Davide Bergamasco
 - <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2007/au-bergamasco-ecm-v0.1.pdf>
- Delay analysis of BCN: Bruce Kwan, Jin Ding (Broadcom)
 - <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2007/au-kwan-ding-bcn-effects-of-delay-02152007.pdf>
- BCN-MAX and Dynamic Range Factor (DRF) Analysis: Cyriel Minkenbergh and Mitch Gusat
 - <http://www.ieee802.org/1/files/public/docs2007/au-sim-ZRL-OG-BCNmax-and-dyn-range-r10.pdf>

Where are we?

- We have good enough coverage and understanding of BCN, but not complete yet
 - Still need data for TCP flows, large topologies
- Need data for other proposals
 - Protocol specifications
 - Required benchmark data
- Need discussion about metric
 - CM mechanisms should behave well in normal scenario, Good in congestion scenario, and not melt down in extreme scenarios (or at least – should recover gracefully)
 - Is this acceptable?
 - Are we focusing too much on fairness and utilization metrics?

Timeline



Next Steps

- Finish “Required” and “Extended” benchmarks, TCP benchmark for BCN
- Start working on “Required” benchmarks for new proposals, if any
 - Proponents should own timely simulations for these new proposals
 - CN-SIM Ad-hoc should analyze and discuss
- Compare any other proposals for performance, stability, overhead and complexity