



Performance Adhoc Group IEEE 802.17

Khaled Amer

**IEEE 802.17
Interim Meeting**

January 2001

Agenda



- **Performance Adhoc structure**
- **Status review**
 - **Performance metrics overview**
 - **Scenarios**
 - **Traffic Types**
 - **Metrics**
 - **Initial Simulation scenarios**
 - **Suggestions for first steps in starting common simulations scenarios**
- **Next steps**

Formation of the Perf Adhoc Group



- **Requests to have a separate Adhoc group with the right experts to look into performance issues**
- **Not all 802.17 participants are interested in these issues**



Perf Adhoc Objectives

- **Agree on common/consistent perf simulation scenarios and metrics:**
 - **Traffic Models**
 - **Performance Metrics**
 - **Test Scenarios**
 - **Other?**

Perf Adhoc Objectives ...



- **These would be used to:**
 - **Compare the performance characteristics of various proposals**
 - **Compare performance characteristics of RPR solutions vs. using Ethernet switches**

Expected Time for Perf Adhoc Group Work



- **Expected to work in parallel with the efforts of 802.17 work to assist with development of the RPR standard**
- **Best estimate would be 8 - 12 months**

Participation in Perf Adhoc Group



- **Anyone welcome to participate**
- **People who can contribute to the perf analysis and perf modeling efforts**
- **People just interested in these topics**
- **People concerned about performance related issues and comparison process**
- **And then ... anyone is welcome!**

Perf Adhoc Plan



- **Plan on having parallel sessions to allow more time for discussions**
- **Will be reporting progress**
- **Separate mailing list for perf discussions?**

Agenda



- **Performance Adhoc structure**
- **Status review**
 - **Performance metrics overview**
 - **Scenarios**
 - **Traffic Types**
 - **Metrics**
 - **Initial Simulation scenarios**
 - **Suggestions for first steps in starting common simulations scenarios**
- **Next steps**

Progress and Status Report



- **Presentations and discussions held in July plenary and August Interim meetings**
- **Closed on general performance metrics and scenarios (for now)**
- **Arrived to agreement on initial simulation scenarios**

Progress and Status ...



- **These would apply to:**
 - **Comparing various proposals**
 - **Comparing RPR mechanisms to using Ethernet switches**

Goals of the Performance Modeling Efforts



- **Test various aspects affecting ring performance for various proposals**
- **Investigate fairness, congestion control, admission control, QoS**
- **Investigate various access methods for the ring**
- **Investigate Ring restoration performance**
- **Analyze performance stability**

Scenarios



- **Configuration Variables:**
 - **Node count**
 - **Span distance**
 - **Data rate**
 - **On the ring and ingress/egress ports)**
 - **Mesh configurations for:**
 - **Campus, Metro, WAN**

Scenarios ...



- **Aggregation / Traffic Patterns**
 - **Tier1 ISP**
 - **Tier2 ISP**
 - **MSO (multi-service operator)**
 - **Metro Customer**
 - **Pop**
- (with corresponding ingress/egress data rates)**



Modeling parameters

- **Number of flows**
- **Burstiness (traffic profiles)**
- **Packetization delay**
- **MTU**
- **PHY modeling characteristics**



Traffic Types

- **Data (normally using TCP)**
 - ftp, http
- **Multimedia (normally using UDP)**
 - Time-sensitive / time insensitive
- **Multicast**
- **Traffic characteristics :**
 - Rates, packet size, destination and priority distributions

Metrics



- **Global Ring Metrics:**
 - **Link utilization**
 - **Global throughput / Goodput**
 - **Fairness, congestion control, admission control**
 - **Fault recovery (link, span, node)**
 - **Stabilization time**
 - **Switching time**

Metrics ...



- **Per class and per conversation metrics:**
 - **Packet Loss (ingress/egress/other?)**
 - **End-to-End Packet Delay**
 - **Including jitter for time sensitive traffic**
 - **Access Delay**
 - **Throughput**
 - **Fairness**

Agenda



- **Performance Adhoc structure**
- **Status review:**
 - **Performance metrics overview**
 - **Scenarios**
 - **Traffic Types**
 - **Metrics**
 - **Initial Simulation scenarios**
 - **Suggestions for starting common simulations scenarios**
- **Next steps**

Objectives



- **Establish starting point for simulation scenarios (subset of metrics presented before)**
- **Simulations to compare performance characteristics of RPR vs. Ethernet**

Suggestions for Starting Simulation Scenarios



- **Testing Basic Ring Parameters**
 - **Ring Performance**
 - **Congestion Control**
 - **Fairness**

Suggestions for Later Simulation Scenarios



- **Comparison of RPR vs. Ethernet Switches**
 - **Performance characteristics**
 - **Switch-over characteristics**
(I believe that this is needed now?)
- **Spatial reuse**

Ring Performance



- **Metrics:**
 - **Link utilization under heavy loads**
 - **Flow control overhead**
 - **Global throughput**

Congestion Control



- **Metrics:**
 - **Throughput in the presence of congestion**
 - **Per class**
 - **Per node**
 - **Per conversation (or flow)**

Fairness



- **Metrics:**
 - **Throughput and end-to-end packet delay and jitter:**
 - Per class
 - Per node
 - Per conversation (or flow)
- **Need scenarios that demonstrate fairness in overload conditions**

Suggested Starting Configuration



- **Dual Ring**
- **16 nodes (0 - 15)?**
- **Ring running under capacity and well as over capacity (overload)**
- **Ring circumference (100Km, 1000Km)?**
- **Ring rate: 10G**

Suggested Starting Applications



- **Hub application**
 - **50% of the traffic is generated by all nodes and flows to the hub node (let's say node #15)**
 - **50% of the traffic is generated by the hub node and flows to all the other nodes**

Suggested Starting Applications ...



- **Random source/destination pairs**
 - **Would demonstrate spatial reuse effect better than hub application**
 - **Need to come up with some common way of generating the random source/dest pairs**



Suggested Traffic Scenarios

- **Scenario #1:**
 - **Multimedia**
 - **Using UDP**
 - **No upper layer protocol**
- **Scenario #2 (later)**
 - **Data (using TCP)**



Suggested Traffic Scenarios ...

- **Scenario #3 (later):**

Mix of:

- **Data (using TCP)**

- **Multimedia:**

- **Using UDP**

- **No upper layer protocol**

Suggested Traffic Characteristics



- **Packet size distributions (probabilistic):**
 - **Trimodal (40% 64B, 40% 512B, 20% 1518B)**
 - **Bimodal (50% 64B, 50% 9KB)**
- **Committed rate per node**
 - **30% of ring capacity / # nodes**
 - **60% of ring capacity / # nodes**

Suggested Traffic Characteristics ...



- **Offered load**
 - **Each node provides load of:**
 - **200% of ring capacity / # nodes**
 - **Staggered traffic input for each port**
- **Traffic distribution**
 - **10 conversations (flows) per node**
 - **On/Off with staggering period**
 - **Needs to be quantified in more detail**

Suggested Simulation output results



- **Throughput**
- **ETE delay**
- **Jitter (99.9th percentile of delays)**
- **For all output results:**
 - **Show curves and numbers**
 - **Per node, per class, per conversation**



Agenda

- **Status review:**
 - **Performance metrics overview**
 - **Scenarios**
 - **Traffic Types**
 - **Metrics**
 - **Initial Simulation scenarios**
 - **Suggestions for starting common simulations scenarios**
- **Next steps**



Next Steps

- **Separate breakout session for Performance Adhoc**
- **Presentations showing performance characteristics of proposals**
- **Presentations comparing performance characteristics of RPR rings vs. Ethernet rings**
- **Other suggestions?**

Discussions



Perf Adhoc Discussions



- **Lunch meeting (8 attended)**
- **Discuss objectives and work to be done**
- **Discuss some of the open issues raised during the performance presentation**
- **Discuss next steps**

Perf Adhoc Discussions



Discussions on:

- **Modeling tools**
- **Convergence of simulation results (length of simulations)**
- **Availability of models from various vendors**
- **Traffic input characterization**

Perf Adhoc Discussions



- **Architectural/behavioral abstractions needed for each RPR proposal**
- **Reference model (?)**
- **Understand the effect of various architectural aspects instead of various vendor implementations**

Perf Adhoc Discussions ...



Objectives:

- Set parameters, metrics, scenarios to help provide a consistent way of comparing architectural ideas**
- Not chartered to run simulations for the working group**

Perf Adhoc Discussions ...



Resolution of open issues:

Packet size distributions (probabilistic):

- **Trimodal**

- **(60% 64B, 20% 512B, 20% 1518B)**

- **Quadmodal (?)**

- **(50% 64B, 15% 512B, 15% 1518B, 20% 9K)**

Perf Adhoc Discussions ...



Unresolved issues:

Starting scenarios options:

- **Using UDP**
- **No upper layer protocol**
- **Data using TCP**
- **Combination?**

Perf Adhoc Discussions ...



Step #2

- **Scenarios to include:**
 - 2 node rings
 - 3 node rings
 - Multiple rings

Perf Adhoc Discussions ...



Unaddressed issues:

- **Input traffic arrival distribution**

Perf Adhoc Conclusions



- **Too many open issues to start simulations based on the recommendations of the perf adhoc group**
- **Request 2 sessions in March (4 hours each)**
- **Discussions on the RPR reflector between now and March**