

CI 01 SC 1.4 P13 L33 # 176  
 Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 4  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 This is the definition of "Differential Manchester Encoding" and not "DME". The "DME" abbreviation is defined in 1.5.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Delete "DME: ".  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 2 P32 L5 # 110  
 Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A startup\_registers  
 Since ""the (...) register mirrors the contents of the most recently received training frame"" it is not clear why we are calling this the REMOTE coefficient update register since it applies to the LOCAL transmitter.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 I propose to call this register the LOCAL coefficient update register to stress that the content of this control field relates to the LOCAL transmitter.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Apply the following convention  
 1. define control/status registers for local device (LD) and link partner (LP)  
 2. reference to LD or LP refers to the source of the register, and not the target  
 Related comment(s): #101, #111, #112,

CI 45 SC 2 P32 L22 # 111  
 Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A startup\_registers  
 Since ""the (...) register mirrors the contents of the most recently received training frame"" it is not clear why we are calling this the REMOTE coefficient update register since it applies to the LOCAL transmitter.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Change the table header to read : 10GBASE-KR local coefficient update register.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 See comment #110

CI 45 SC 2.1.78 P32 L50 # 45  
 Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A startup\_registers  
 The text says "Coefficient update" in a section which describes the status report register. This typo is repeated in subclause 45.2.1.80 on page 34  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Replace "coefficient update" with "status report" throughout both subclauses  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 2.1.79 P33 L39 # 50  
 Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A startup\_registers  
 The local coefficient update/status registers in Clauses 45.2.1.79 & 45.2.1.80 provide a Read-Only view of the contents of the outgoing (local) training frame.  
 What is the value of these registers if they are read-only ? . If they were R/W then there would be an option of implementing the start-up protocol in software. Otherwise they are just clutter.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Remove the clauses or make them read/write.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Change the registers settings to R/W.

CI 45 SC 2 P33 L39 # 112  
 Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A startup\_registers  
 Since ""the (...) register represents the contents of the current outgoing training frame ..."" it is not clear why we are calling this the LOCAL coefficient update register since it applies to the REMOTE transmitter.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Change register name to: 10GBASE-KR remote coefficient update register.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 See comment #110

CI 45 SC 2 P34 L6 # 101  
 Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A startup\_registers

Since ""the (...) register represents the contents of the current outgoing training frame ..."" it is not clear why we are calling this the LOCAL coefficient update register since it applies to the REMOTE transmitter.

#### Suggested Remedy

Change the table header to read : 10GBASE-KR remote coefficient update register.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #110

CI 45 SC 45.2.7.1 P39 L11 # 171  
 Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

Refer to previous Comment #14(clause 73): Table 45-119, Add Register bits ""7.1.10 Link Partner Next Page Able"" and ""7.1.11 Next Page Able"" to AN status register.

#### Suggested Remedy

Add following lines to table 45-119:

modify line 11 to read as: "7.1.10 Link Partner Next Page Able" 1 = LP Next Page Able, 0 = LP is not Next Page Able

modify line 10 to read as: "7.1.11 LD Next Page Able" 1 = LD Next Page Able, 0 = LD is not Next Page Able

Add corresponding subclauses to 45.2.3.2.x defining the bits.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See also #170.

In addition to remedy

"45.2.7.2.1 LD Next Page Able (7.1.11)

The LD Next Page Able bit (7.1.11) shall be set to logic one to indicate that the local device supports the Next Page function. The LD Next Page Able bit (7.1.11) shall be set to logic zero if the Next Page function is not supported.

"45.2.7.2.2 LP Next Page Able (7.1.10)

The LP Next Page Able bit (7.1.10) shall be set to logic one to indicate that the link partner supports the Next Page function. This bit shall be reset to logic zero to indicate that the link partner does not support the Next Page function.

Update subclause numbers and bit number appropriately.

CI 45 SC 45.2.7.2.1 P39 L41 # 12  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A *ad hoc*

A number of problems here:

- 1) Delete the extra clause number
- 2) Change 7.1.6 to 7.1.9
- 3) Change 10GBASE-R to 10GBASE-KR
- 4) Delete ""the Receive Link Integrity Test function,"".
- 5) According to the AN arbitration state diagram in figure 73-9 the parallel detection fault cannot be set if zero of the PMA types have reported synchronisation.

*Suggested Remedy*

As above and review the 802.3ap spec for mentions of the ""Link Integrity Test function"" which I do not believe is part of 802.3ap.  
If the state machine in 73-9 is correct then delete ""zero or"" otherwise correct the state machine in figure 73-9.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

- 1) Delete the reference to extra clause number, 45.2.7.2.2.
- 2) Change 7.1.6 to 7.1.9
- 3) Change 10GBASE-R to 10GBASE-KR
- 4) Delete ""the Receive Link Integrity Test function,"".
- 5) Delete "zero or" text defined in 45.2.7.2.1.

CI 45 SC 45.2.7.3 P41 L28 # 13  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A *an\_registers*

The selector field is defined in Annex 28A

*Suggested Remedy*

Change 73A to 28A

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 69 SC 69.1.1 P47 L18 # 1  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Backplane autonegotiation is defined in Clause 73 not Clause 28, so change "modifications to the Clause 28" to "an"

*Suggested Remedy*

As above

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

See comment #138

CI 69 SC 69.1.1 P47 L18 # 138  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

I think the group is doing more than modifying Clause 28; it's creating a whole new clause and redefining everything from scratch. Also, the reader doesn't have to go to Clause 28 to implement the new auto-negotiation function.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change sentence to read "Backplane Ethernet also specifies an auto-negotiation function to enable..."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 69 SC 69.1.2 P47 L34 # 14  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status R

"up to at least" does not make sense

*Suggested Remedy*

Change "up to at least" to "of at least"

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

**BACKGROUND:**

Wording was carefully selected by the Task Force to indicate that the continuum of backplane distances from "0 m" to at least 1m will be supported by PHY.

To some, the wording "of at least", which was considered by the Task Force, implied the objective would be satisfied by any PHY that supported 1 m or greater, without satisfying shorter distances where return loss effects can be a significant impairment.

CI 69 SC 69.2.2 P49 L10 # 139  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status R

A device supporting 1000BASE-KX also needs to support certain Clause 22 management registers.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text to add reference to Clause 22.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

Clause 45 was selected as the management interface for all Backplane Ethernet port types. The commenter has not made it clear why clause 22 registers also need to be supported.

If necessary, Clause 22 registers may be accessed via the Clause 22 MMD.

Cl 69 SC 69.2.3 P49 L 17 # 140  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status R *adhoc*  
 Should add text explaining modifications in Clause 70.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Change text to ""This system employs the 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA defined in Clause 36 with the exceptions stated in Clause 70.""  
 Response Response Status C  
 REJECT.  
 Refer to comment #21.

Cl 69 SC 69.2.3 P49 L 46 # 120  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status R *adhoc*  
 In Table 69-1, it should be noted that the 1000BASE-KX PCS and PMA must also be implemented from Clause 70.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Add PCS/PMA to the table cell for Clause 70.  
 Response Response Status C  
 REJECT.  
 1000BASE-KX now uses the Clause 36 PCS as defined.  
 Related comment(s): #120

Cl 69 SC 69.2.4 P50 L 1 # 121  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 Throughout much of 802.3, Auto-Negotiation is spelled with a capital A and N. On lines 3 and 4 of this page, it is spelled both Auto-Neg and auto-neg.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Use the form of "Auto-Negotiation" throughout 802.3ap or use some other form that is consistent with 802.3ap.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.  
 Use "Auto-Negotiation". Make usage consistent.

Cl 69 SC 2 P50 L 4 # 106  
 Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status R  
 Is parallel detect functionality explained anywhere?  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Response Response Status C  
 REJECT.  
 Parallel detect functionality is described in Clause 73 (specifically, refer 73.7.4.1 and to arbitration state machine of Figure 73-9).

Cl 69 SC 69.2.4 P50 L 4 # 2  
 Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 Suggest renaming ""parallel detect"" to ""parallel detection"" for consistency  
 Suggested Remedy  
 As above and correct heading for 73.7.4.1  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.  
 Cl 69 SC 69.2.4 P50 L 17 # 122  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 Should be Clause 73.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Add "Clause" in front of 73.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

CI 69 SC 3 P50 L41 # 107  
 Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Does this exclude the possibility of on-chip AC coupling? Does it contradict text in clauses 70, 71 and 72 stating that there may be various methods for AC-coupling implementation ?

**Suggested Remedy**

Add figure showing interconnect reference model for a case where ac coupling is implemented on-chip (?)

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to:

"For purposes of this section, the backplane interconnect is defined between test points TP1 and TP4 as shown in Figure 69-X. The transmitter and receiver blocks include all off-chip components associated with the respective block. For example, external AC-coupling capacitors, if required, are to be included in the receiver block."

Modify figure to be more consistent with that shown in healey\_01\_0605.

CI 69 SC eq.69-1 P51 L29 # 23  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A channel\_il

Replace eq 69.1  
 Have one equation specify limit. The problem is Amin(f) is not specified at this point.

**Suggested Remedy**

$IL(f) < I_{min}(f) = A_{min}(f) - 0.9e-9 \cdot f - 1.1$   
 $f_1 < f < f_2$

$IL(f) < I_{min}(f) = A_{min}(f) - 0.9e-9 \cdot f_2 - 1.1 - 10 \cdot (f - f_2)$   
 $f_2 < f < f_{max}$

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See van\_doom\_01\_0605

CI 69 SC 69.3.3 P51 L34 # 24  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A channel\_il

Replace text so new equation works

**Suggested Remedy**

Where the values of f2 Table 69-2. Amin(f) is defined in eq. ???. The insertion loss limit is illustrated in Figure 69-2.

In addition, it is recommended that the insertion loss also satisfy the attenuation limit defined in 69.3.3.??? and the insertion loss deviation limit defined 69.3.3.???

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

CI 69 SC 3.3 P51 L38 # 163  
 D'Ambrosia, John Tyco Electronics Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A channel\_il

Statement - ""It is recommended that the .... defined 693.3.2"" is redundant since these items are part of the overall informative model as specified in 69.3.1.1

**Suggested Remedy**

Delete statement in 69.3.3 at Line 38.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Integrated text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

CI 69 SC 69.3.3 P52 L1 # 25  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A channel\_il

Figure 69-3 Curve should be representative of KX,KX4,and KR

**Suggested Remedy**

Use curves in mellitz\_02\_0605.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

CI 69 SC 69.3.3.1 P52 L 30 # 22  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status D channel\_il  
 Need to have Amin(f) defined before IL limits because it's dependant.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Move 69.3.3.1 as the first part of 69.3.3  
 Response Response Status W  
 WITHDRAWN

CI 69 SC 69.3.3.2 P53 L 1 # 27  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A channel\_il  
 Fit line not described. difference equation not described  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Add equation in mellitz\_02\_0605 to 69.3.3.1  

$$ILD(f) = \text{sdd21}(t)_{\text{db}} - \text{LMS\_fit}(f)_{\text{db}}$$

"The insertion loss deviation, ILD(f) is defined to be the difference between the insertion loss in dB and the least mean squares line fit defined in dB in 69.3.3.1 over the frequency range f1 to f2. The insertion loss deviation, ILD(f) is recommended to be constrained within the limits defined by the equations:"

 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

CI 69 SC 69.3.3.2 P53 L 1 # 28  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A channel\_il  
 Change eq 69.3  
 Suggested Remedy  

$$ILD(f) \geq ILD_{\min}(f) = 1.0e-9 \cdot f + 1.5$$

$$ILD(f) \leq ILD_{\max}(f) = (0.9e-9 \cdot f + 2.1)$$
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

CI 69 SC 69.3.3.2 P53 L 11 # 30  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A channel\_il  
 delta are gone  
 Suggested Remedy  
 where the values of f1, f2 are given in Table 69-2. The insertion loss limit deviation is illustrated in Figure 69-4  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

CI 69 SC 69.3.3.2 P53 L 15 # 26  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A channel\_il  
 Curve should be representative of equations  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Use curves in mellitz\_01\_0605.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

CI 69 SC 69.3.3.2 P53 L 15 # 29  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A channel\_il  
 Make figure 69.4 representative of equations  
 Suggested Remedy  
 as in mellitz\_01\_0605  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

*Cl* 69    *SC* 69.3.2    *P*54    *L*6    # 31  
Mellitz, Richard    Intel    Editor 1  
*Comment Type*    **T**    *Comment Status*    **A**    *channel\_il*  
make Table 69-2 more representative  
*Suggested Remedy*  
See mellitz\_01\_0605  
*Response*    *Response Status*    **C**  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

*Cl* 69    *SC* 3.4.1    *P*54    *L*38    # 164  
D'Ambrosia, John    Tyco Electronics    Editor 1  
*Comment Type*    **TR**    *Comment Status*    **A**    *channel\_xtalk*  
Crosstalk due to single aggressor is fixed to an equation, which makes it independent of system SDD21.  
*Suggested Remedy*  
Propose changing differential crosstlk - single aggressor from an equation based specification as it currently is to an ICR - single aggressor, similar to Equation 69.9  
*Response*    *Response Status*    **C**  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

*Cl* 69    *SC* 3.4.2.3    *P*56    *L*8    # 162  
D'Ambrosia, John    Tyco Electronics    Editor 1  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **A**    *channel\_xtalk*  
Line 8, Equation 69-8, and Figure 69-6 is redundant from 69.3.4.1  
*Suggested Remedy*  
delete, and renumber equations and figures afterwards  
*Response*    *Response Status*    **C**  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Integrated text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

*Cl* 69    *SC* 3.5    *P*57    *L*3    # 165  
D'Ambrosia, John    Tyco Electronics    Editor 1  
*Comment Type*    **TR**    *Comment Status*    **A**    *channel\_xtalk*  
Equation 69-10, Figure 69.7 need to be updated  
*Suggested Remedy*  
See presentation by D'Ambrosia at interim.  
*Response*    *Response Status*    **C**  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
Incorporate text from mellitz\_02\_0605.

*Cl* 69    *SC* 69.5    *P*58    *L*23    # 123  
Lynskey, Eric    UNH-IOL    Editor 1  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **R**  
No state diagrams exist in this clause.  
*Suggested Remedy*  
Delete subclause 69.5.  
*Response*    *Response Status*    **C**  
REJECT.  
Similar sections exist in Clauses 44, and 56. This section defines the state machine conventions for Backplane Ethernet and also indicated that the state machines take precedence over text.

**CI 69**    **SC 69.6**    **P58**    **L 30**    # **141**  
 Lynskey, Eric    UNH-IOL    Editor 1

**Comment Type T**    **Comment Status A**  
 PICS are missing.

**Suggested Remedy**  
 Add PICS or remove shall statements and mandatory requirements from this introductory clause.

**Response**    **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Remove occurrences of shall from 69.3, which is intended to be informative, explanatory text.

All normative requirements are addresses in the appropriate subclauses.

Remove sentence from 69.2.4 - "Auto-negotiation shall be implemented in all 802.3.ap PHY devices. The use of Auto-negotiation is optional and parallel detect shall be provided for legacy devices that do not support auto-negotiation."

Add following sentence to 73.1. (Make it first sentence in first paragraph.)

"Auto-negotiation shall be implemented in all 802.3.ap PHY devices. The use of Auto-negotiation is optional and parallel detection shall be provided for legacy devices that do not support auto-negotiation."

**CI 69**    **SC 69.6**    **P58**    **L 33**    # **3**  
 Marris, Arthur    Cadence    Editor 1

**Comment Type E**    **Comment Status A**  
 Change 72 to 73. Clause 73 has a PICS also.

**Suggested Remedy**  
 As above.

**Response**    **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

**CI 70**    **SC 70**    **P59**    **L 3**    # **32**  
 Healey, Adam    Agere Systems    Editor 1

**Comment Type E**    **Comment Status A**  
 Editor's note is no longer relevant.

**Suggested Remedy**  
 Delete editor's note.

**Response**    **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

**CI 69**    **SC 99**    **P59**    **L 11**    # **96**  
 Moore, Charles    Agilent Technologies    Editor 1

**Comment Type T**    **Comment Status A**  
 Since we have approved normative Interference Tolerance test for all PMDs we need a common test annex.

**Suggested Remedy**  
 Add text provided a separate document as annex 69A.  
 Delete annex 72A which is now redundant

**Response**    **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate text from moore\_03\_0605.  
 Delete Annex 72A

**CI 70**    **SC 70.1**    **P59**    **L 24**    # **124**  
 Lynskey, Eric    UNH-IOL    Editor 1

**Comment Type E**    **Comment Status A**  
 Spelling in title of Table 70-1.

**Suggested Remedy**  
 Change to 1000BASE-KX PMD.

**Response**    **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.



CI 70 SC 70.2.1 P59 L43 # 21  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type TR Comment Status A adhoc

The synchronization process is the same as Clause 36. It is confusing to imply that it is not. Delete the entire contents of 70.2.1 and 70.2.1.1 and delete figure 70-1.  
Add following text: 70.2.1 Synchronization  
The PCS shall implement the Synchronization process as depicted in Figure 36-9 except that the state variable sync\_status is renamed sync\_status\_KX.  
sync\_status\_KX is used by the parallel detection function. The condition sync\_status\_KX=FAIL does not restart auto-negotiation.

#### Suggested Remedy

As above.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete 72.1 and 70-1, as Clause 37 interactions are no longer relevant. It has been stated that when Clause 73 AN is used, Clause 37 shall be disabled.

Remove references to PCS/ PMA from clause title.

Refer to comment #169.

Related comment(s): #142

CI 70 SC 70.2.1.1 P60 L3 # 125  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Typo

#### Suggested Remedy

Change 1000BASE-KX to 1000BASE-KX.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Section removed.

CI 70 SC 70.2.1 P61 L1 # 142  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

In Figure 70-1, it appears that the only difference between this clause and clause 36 is the replacement of the sync\_status variable with the sync\_status\_KX variable. The sync\_status variable is used in other places within Clause 36, including Figure 36-7a and in a number of places in the text. If the intent is to fully replace this variable, then it should be replaced in every instance in Clause 70.

#### Suggested Remedy

In 70.2.1.1 change the first sentence to ""The following state variable is defined for the 1000BASE-KX and is meant to replace the sync\_status variable found in Clause 36:""  
Also, this should allow you to delete Figure 70-1.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Refer to comment #21

CI 70 SC 6 P62 L17 # 108  
Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

CX instead of KX

#### Suggested Remedy

Change "1000BASE-CX" to "1000BASE-KX"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.6.1 P62 L23 # 35  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Delete editor's note. Add link block diagram figure.

#### Suggested Remedy

I will supply the figure.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.  
Incorporate figure and text from healey\_01\_0605.

CI 70 SC 70.6.2 P62 L 35 # 58  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A  
Correct notation to show that this is a single-lane PHY.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text:

"A positive output voltage of SLn<p> minus SLn<n> (differential voltage) shall correspond to tx\_bit = ONE."

to:

"A positive output voltage of SL<p> minus SL<n> (differential voltage) shall correspond to tx\_bit = ONE."

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.6.3 P62 L 41 # 59  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A  
Correct notation in definition of rx\_bit.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text:

"A positive output voltage of RLn<p> minus RLn<n> (differential voltage) shall correspond to rx\_bit = ONE."

to:

"A positive output voltage of DL<p> minus DL<n> (differential voltage) shall correspond to rx\_bit = ONE."

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.6.4 P62 L 54 # 126  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status R  
Should be 1000BASE-KX.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change to 1000BASE-KX, also in Table 70-4.

Response Response Status C  
REJECT.

Signal Detect does not need to verify that an 8B/10B signal is present or that the signal is fully compliant to the 1000BASE-KX specifications.

CI 70 SC 70.6.4 P63 L 15 # 127  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A  
Change reference to Annex 36A.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change 48A.1 to Annex 36A.1.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

See comment #36

CI 70 SC 70.6.4 P63 L 15 # 36  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A  
It is more appropriate to reference the high frequency pattern of 36A.1.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change reference from ""48A.1"" to ""36A.1"".

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.6.8 P64 L8 # 33  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Rephrase to eliminate references to ""lane"". This is not a multi-lane PHY.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text to:

"If the MDIO is implemented, and the PMD has detected a local fault on the transmitter, the PMD shall set the PMD\_transmit\_fault variable to ONE, otherwise the PMD shall set PMD\_transmit\_fault to ZERO."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.6.9 P64 L13 # 34  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Rephrase to remove references to "lane". This is a single-lane PHY.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text to:

"If the MDIO is implemented, and the PMD has detected a local fault on the receiver, the PMD shall set the PMD\_receive\_fault variable to ONE, otherwise the PMD shall set PMD\_receive\_fault to ZERO."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.7.1.5 P64 L25 # 62  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

In the interest of controlling crosstalk, it would seem prudent to add a transition time requirement to the transmitter specifications.

*Suggested Remedy*

Suggest same range, as a percentage of 1 UI, used by 10GBASE-KX4. This would correspond to a recommended range of 150 to 320 ps.

Add characteristic after ""Differential output return loss"" with subclause reference to 70.7.1.6 and value 150-320 ps.

Change the subclause reference for Output Jitter from 70.7.1.6 to 70.7.1.7

Add a new section after 70.7.1.6 titled "Transition Time (1000BASE-KX)" and add the following text:

"The rising edge transition time is recommended to be between 150 ps and 320 ps as measured at the 20% and 80% levels of the peak-to-peak differential value of the waveform using the high frequency test pattern of 36A.1. The falling edge transition time is recommended to be between 150 ps and 320 ps as measured at the 80% and 20% levels of the peak-to-peak differential value of the waveform using the high frequency test pattern of 36A.1."

Relabel section "70.7.1.6 Transmit Jitter for 1000BASE-KX" to "70.7.1.7 Transmit Jitter for 1000BASE-KX"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add characteristic "Transition time (minimum)" with subclause reference to 70.7.1.6 and value 60 ps to Table 70-5 after "Differential output return loss minimum"

Change the subclause reference for Output Jitter from 70.7.1.6 to 70.7.1.7

Add a new section after 70.7.1.6 titled "Transition Time (1000BASE-KX)" and add the following text:

"The rising edge transition time is recommended to be no less than 60 ps as measured at the 20% and 80% levels of the peak-to-peak differential value of the waveform using the high frequency test pattern of 36A.1. The falling edge transition time is recommended to be no less than 60 ps as measured at the 80% and 20% levels of the peak-to-peak differential value of the waveform using the high frequency test pattern of 36A.1."

Relabel section "70.7.1.6 Transmit Jitter for 1000BASE-KX" to "70.7.1.7 Transmit Jitter for 1000BASE-KX"

CI 70 SC 70.7.1 P64 L 29 # 180  
 Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

No subclause reference for "signaling speed". Add one. Also, since 1000BASE-KX is a single-lane PHY, the "per-lane" clarification is not appropriate.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change name of characteristic from "Signaling speed, per lane" to "Signaling speed".

Create subclause reference 70.7.1.3 for signaling speed, and renumber other references accordingly.

Insert new subclause 70.7.1.3 with the title "Signaling speed". Add the following text:

"The 1000BASE-KX signaling speed shall be 1.25 GBd +/-100 ppm."

Renumber subsequent subclauses accordingly.

Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.7.1 P64 L 34 # 37  
 Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Reference to equations 70-1 and 70-2 (and, actually, the equations themselves) do not appear to be necessary. 70.7.1.5 states that return loss is defined for frequencies from 50 to 625 MHz, which makes sense for 1000BASE-KX. However, equations 70-1 and 70-2 then go on to define the return loss from 100 MHz to 2 GHz. Clearly, this is an issue created by cutting and pasting 10GBASE-CX4 equations into this clause.

Given the frequency range of 50 to 625 MHz, it appears that a statement that the return loss shall be greater than or equal to 10 dB appears to be all that is necessary.

*Suggested Remedy*

To fix this issue throughout clause 70, the following changes are required:

Change "Differential output return loss minimum" in Table 70-5 to "10".

Change "Differential output return loss minimum" to "Differential input return loss minimum" and change the value to "10".

Change 70.7.1.5 to: "The transmitter differential output return loss shall be greater than or equal to 10 dB over a frequency range of 50 MHz to 625 MHz. This impedance requirement applies to all valid output levels. The reference impedance for differential return loss measurements is 100 Ohms."

Change 70.7.2.6 to:

"The receiver differential input return loss shall be greater than or equal to 10 dB over a frequency range of 50 MHz to 625 MHz. The reference impedance for differential return loss measurements is 100 Ohms."

Delete equations 70-1 and 70-2. Delete Figure 70-5.

Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Leave Table 70-5 unchanged.

In 70.7.1.5 change - "For frequencies from 50 MHz to 625 MHz, the differential return loss..." to "For frequencies from 50 MHz to 1250 MHz, the differential return loss..."

Modify Equation 70-2. "for 625 MHz <= f <= 2000 MHz." to "for 625 MHz <= f <= 1250 MHz."

CI 70 SC 70.7.1.3 P65 L37 # 38  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Numerous problems resulting from blind cut and paste of 10GBASE-CX4 text.

1. This is a single-lane PHY, so what does it mean to have ""all transmitters active"" as a test condition?
2. There is a statement that the measurement is taken at TP1, but also that adequate transmit equalization must be applied to satisfy the eye diagram. I have assumed that 1000BASE-KX did not require transmit emphasis, especially to supply a compliant waveform at TP1.
3. Test pattern described in 48A.2 is for a 4-lane 10-Gigabit PHY. This is a 1-Gigabit serial PHY.
4. There are cross-referencing issues and redundant sentences.

#### Suggested Remedy

Change to:

"The transmitter differential output signal is defined at TP1, as shown in Figure 70-2. The transmitter output waveform shall fall within the template shown in Figure 70-3 for the test pattern specified in 36A.5. Voltage and time coordinates for inflection points on Figure 70-3 are given in Table 70-6."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

"The transmitter differential output signal is defined at TP1, as shown in Figure 70-2. The transmitter output waveform shall fall within the template shown in Figure 70-3 for the jitter test frame defined in 59.7.1 Voltage and time coordinates for inflection points on Figure 70-3 are given in Table 70-6."

CI 70 SC 70.7.1.3 P65 L39 # 128  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Change reference to 36A.2.

#### Suggested Remedy

See comment.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #38

CI 70 SC 70.7.1.3 P65 L39 # 143  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

For 1000BASE-KX, there is only a single transmitter defined.

#### Suggested Remedy

Change text to "The transmitter shall provide...shown in Figure 70-3 for the test pattern specified in 36A.2."

Also, for the last sentence in this paragraph change to "The signals at TP1 shall meet...shown in Figure 70-2."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #38

CI 70 SC 70.7.1.4 P66 L32 # 39  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

SLn<p> and SLn<n> imply a multi-lane PHY (lane ""n""") and these signals are not shown on the transmit test fixture in Figure 70-2. In addition, it is ""signal ground"" and not backplane ground which is shown as the reference in Figure 70-2.

Make these requirements consistent with a single lane PHY and the test fixture shown in Figure 70-2.

Also, shouldn't differential output voltage be mentioned somewhere in this section?

#### Suggested Remedy

Change to text of this section to the following:

"While transmitting the test pattern specified in 36A.2, the transmitter differential peak-peak output voltage shall be between 800 mV and 1600 mV. See Figure 70-4 for an illustration of the definition of differential peak-to-peak output voltage. DC-referenced logic levels are not defined since the receiver is AC-coupled. The common mode voltage of SL<p> and SL<n> shall be between -0.4 V and 1.2 V with respect to signal ground as measured at Vcom in Figure 70-2."

Change Figure 70-4 to show the correct equation:  $SL_{<p>} - SL_{<n>}$

Change NOTE below Figure 70-4 to:

"NOTE- SL<p> and SL<n> are the positive and negative sides of the differential signal pair respectively."

Change Figure 70-2 so correctly show the locations of SL<p> and SL<n>.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

**Cl 70**    **SC 70..1.4**    **P66**    **L45**    # **129**  
 Lynskey, Eric    UNH-IOL    Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **E**    **Comment Status**    **A**

There is only a single lane in 1000BASE-KX.

**Suggested Remedy**

Remove "for Lane n."

**Response**    **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT.

See comment #39

**Cl 70**    **SC 70.7.1.6**    **P67**    **L32**    # **63**  
 Healey, Adam    Agere Systems    Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**    **Comment Status**    **A**

Redundant reference.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change text:

"The transmitter shall satisfy the jitter requirements of 70.7.1.7 with a maximum total jitter of 0.25 UI peak-to-peak and a maximum deterministic component of 0.10 UI peak-to-peak."

to:

"The transmitter shall have a maximum total jitter of 0.25 UI peak-to-peak and a maximum deterministic component of 0.10 UI peak-to-peak."

**Response**    **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT.

**Cl 70**    **SC 70.7.1.7**    **P67**    **L40**    # **42**  
 Healey, Adam    Agere Systems    Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**    **Comment Status**    **A**

High-pass cut-off for 1000BASE-KR output jitter is provisionally set to 1.875 MHz. However, (1.25 GHz)/1667 works out to 750 kHz.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change cut-off frequency to 750kHz or rationalize why 1000BASE-KX will deviate from the f\_baud/1667 rule-of-thumb.

**Response**    **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT.

Change cut-off frequency to 750 kHz.

**Cl 70**    **SC 70.7.1.7**    **P67**    **L41**    # **40**  
 Healey, Adam    Agere Systems    Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**    **Comment Status**    **A**

Reference to Annex 48A.5 test pattern may not be appropriate since it was crafted for a 4-lane PHY. Unfortunately, a single-lane CJTPAT is not defined in Annex 36A. Suggest that we may want to use the short continuous random pattern (36A.5) instead.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change reference from 48A.5 to 36A.5. Alternately, we could define a single-lane version of CJTPAT for 802.3 and put it in an Annex 70A. We could also continue to use the 48A.5 pattern, but I want to make this a conscious decision rather than a copy-paste artifact.

**Response**    **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Refer to comment #137

**Cl 70**    **SC 70.7.1.7**    **P67**    **L41**    # **137**  
 Lynskey, Eric    UNH-IOL    Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**    **Comment Status**    **A**

The CJPAT sequence was originally designed to be striped across 4 lanes. Since 1000BASE-KX only uses a single lane, although the overall hex pattern will be the same, the actual 10-bit pattern will be different. Specifically, with respect to the phase jump areas of the pattern, instead of having F4 EB F4 EB F4 EB F4 AB (as you would have on each lane in CJPAT), you will end up with F4 F4 F4 F4 EB EB EB EB F4 F4 F4 F4 EB EB EB EB..., and due to running disparity, the specific bit pattern will be different than in CJPAT. Also, Annex 48A.5 talks about Clause 48 specific delimiters and idle, and states that the pattern is defined as observed at the XGMII. 1000BASE-KX must follow the Clause 36 PCS and must implement a GMII or equivalent interface.

**Suggested Remedy**

- Option A: Restructure the pattern such that it is the equivalent of a CJPAT sequence on a single lane only.
- Option B: Reference the Jitter pattern defined by EFM in Clause 59.7.1.
- Option C: Define a new jitter frame.
- Option D: Keep the existing frame.
- Option E: Reference the pattern specified in 36A.

**Response**    **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Option B: Use the "jitter test frame" described in 59.7.1

Ensure that this resolution is consistent with the resolution of comment #38.

Related comment(s): #40

**CI 70**      **SC 70.7.2**      **P68**      **L3**      # **144**  
 Lynskey, Eric      UNH-IOL      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

In Table 70-7, all values are covered by a shall statement. There seem to be duplicate shalls in the subsequent subclauses that reiterate what is already in the table.

**Suggested Remedy**

Either remove the shall from the table or from the following subclauses 70.7.2.1 - 70.7.2.7.

**Response**      **Response Status C**

ACCEPT.

See comment #64.

**CI 70**      **SC 70.7.2**      **P68**      **L3**      # **64**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

Redundant "shall". Each requirement has a corresponding "shall" so this "global shall" seems to have no purpose.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change text to: "Receiver characteristics are summarized in Table 70-7 and detailed in the following subclauses."

**Response**      **Response Status C**

ACCEPT.

**CI 70**      **SC 70.7.2**      **P68**      **L13**      # **57**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

For consistency with other clauses, the "Signaling speed" parameters should be accompanied by an explanatory subclause. Furthermore, since 1000BASE-KX is a single-lane PHY, the "per lane" clarification is not appropriate.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change parameters "Signaling speed, per lane" to "Signaling speed".

Add subclause reference for "Signaling speed"; this reference will be 70.7.2.2.

Re-number following subclause references accordingly.

Add subclause 70.7.2.2 titled "Signaling speed range (1000BASE-KX)" and add the following text:

"A 1000BASE-KX receiver shall comply with the requirements of Table 70-7 for any signaling speed in the range 1.25 GBd +/- 100 ppm. The corresponding unit interval is nominally 800 ps."

Re-number following subclauses appropriately.

**Response**      **Response Status C**

ACCEPT.

**CI 70**      **SC 70.7.2.1**      **P68**      **L26**      # **65**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

Per motion #8 from the May interim meeting, the interference tolerance methodology will be the basis for receiver compliance. This supercedes subclause 70.7.2.1 and 70.7.2.4.

**Suggested Remedy**

Re-word subclause 70.7.2.1 to refer to Annex 72A (or the place where this annex eventually ends up) and list 1000BASE-KX specific parameters and requirements related to this methodology. These parameters and requirements are expected to be decided at the June interim meeting.

Delete subclause 70.7.2.4.

**Response**      **Response Status C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #97.



CI 70 SC 7.2 P69 L31 # 97  
Moore, Charles Agilent Technologies Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

We have approved a normative Interference tolerance test for KX we need to add it to specification document.

*Suggested Remedy*

add new sub clause to 70.7.2 stating:

Compliant Receiver shall pass Interference tolerance test as defined in annex 69A

with EITbase = 100mV p-p

f1 = 0.1GHz

f2 = 1.875GHz

minISloss = 9dB

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change 70.7.2.1 heading to "Receiver inference tolerance (1000BASE-KX)"

"The receiver interference tolerance shall be measured as described in Annex 69A with the parameters specified in Table 70-X. The BREIT, as defined in Annex 69A, shall be greater than 0. The test pattern for this measurement shall be the jitter test frame defined in 59.7.1"

Add table with the following parameters/values.

EITbase = 100mV p-p

f1 = 0.1GHz

f2 = 1.875GHz

minISloss shall be no less than the difference between Amin(f1) and Amin(f2) as per equation 69A-1.

Delete subclause 70.7.2.4.

CI 70 SC 70.7.2.7 P69 L41 # 41  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The heading says that this is a common-mode return loss section. However, all this section talks about is differential return loss.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text to: ""The receiver common-mode return loss shall be greater than or equal to 6 dB over a frequency range of 50 MHz to 625 MHz. The reference impedance for common-mode return loss measurements is 25 Ohms.""

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

""The receiver common-mode return loss shall be greater than or equal to 6 dB over a frequency range of 50 MHz to 1250 MHz. The reference impedance for common-mode return loss measurements is 25 Ohms.""

Note - Change font of entry in Table 70-7. Resolution of this comment confirms the value in Table 70-7.

CI 70 SC 70.8 P69 L47 # 60  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Missing space.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text: ""characteristics for1000BASE-KX""  
to: ""characteristics for 1000BASE-KX""

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.9 P70 L1 # 66  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Measurement requirements for 1000BASE-KX are adequately handled in the preceding subclauses.

*Suggested Remedy*

Delete this section and corresponding editor's note.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.



**CI 70**    **SC 70.10**    **P70**    **L 14**    # **67**  
 Healey, Adam    Agere Systems    Editor 1

**Comment Type T**    **Comment Status A**

Environmental specifications are required to complete this clause. Add specifications per suggested remedy and delete corresponding editor's note.

BACKGROUND:

XAUI (Clause 47) and 10GBASE-CX4 (Clause 54) currently point back to subclause 14.7 (10BASE-T).

Subclause 14.7 addresses safety, electromagnetic emission, and temperature and humidity in the context of a twisted pair link segment. Therefore, some aspects, such as wiring faults which cause devices to be connected to telephony equipment/voltages are clearly not applicable. Furthermore, the reader must imply that references to a ""twisted pair link segment"" need to be translated to chip-chip PCB interconnect in the context of XAUI, or to the shielded, balanced cable assembly for 10GBASE-CX4. However, if these assumptions were acceptable for these other projects, then a similar approach seems to be a reasonable starting point for Backplane Ethernet.

**Suggested Remedy**

Add the following text to subclause 70.10:

"All equipment subject to this clause shall conform to the applicable requirements of 14.7."

Delete the editor's note.

This also applied to subclause 71.9 and an additional subclause that needs to be created in clause 72.

**Response**    **Response Status C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate text from healey\_01\_0605 and delete editor's note.

**CI 71**    **SC 71**    **P74**    **L 3**    # **85**  
 Healey, Adam    Agere Systems    Editor 1

**Comment Type E**    **Comment Status A**

Editor's note is no longer relevant.

**Suggested Remedy**

Delete editor's note.

**Response**    **Response Status C**

ACCEPT.

**CI 71**    **SC 3**    **P75**    **L 10**    # **102**  
 Spagna, Fulvio    INTEL    Editor 1

**Comment Type E**    **Comment Status A**

Replace ""BT"" with ""bit times"" for consistency with clause 70.

**Suggested Remedy**

**Response**    **Response Status C**

ACCEPT.

**CI 71**    **SC 71.5.1**    **P76**    **L 6**    # **89**  
 Healey, Adam    Agere Systems    Editor 1

**Comment Type T**    **Comment Status A**

Need link block diagram.

**Suggested Remedy**

I wil supply the block diagram. Delete editor's note.

**Response**    **Response Status C**

ACCEPT.

Incorporate figure and text from healey\_01\_0605.

**CI 71**    **SC 71.5.7**    **P78**    **L 1**    # **86**  
 Healey, Adam    Agere Systems    Editor 1

**Comment Type E**    **Comment Status A**

This note does not appear to use a font consistent with other notes.

**Suggested Remedy**

Correct font.

**Response**    **Response Status C**

ACCEPT.

CI 71 SC 71.6.1 P79 L 13 # 181  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

No subclause reference for ""signaling speed"" or ""unit interval"". Add one.

*Suggested Remedy*

Create subclause reference 71.7.1.3 for signaling speed, and renumber other references accordingly.

Insert new subclause 71.7.1.3 with the title "Signaling speed". Add the following text:

"The 10GBASE-KX4 signaling speed shall be 3.125 GBd +-100 ppm. The corresponding unit interval is nominally 320 ps."

Renumber subsequent subclauses accordingly.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 71 SC 71.6.1 P79 L 29 # 68  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Note 1 states that "Deterministic jitter is already incorporated into the differential output template." I do not understand why this statement is necessary or useful.

*Suggested Remedy*

Delete note.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 71 SC 71.6.1.1 P80 L 14 # 87  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

For clarity, label signals SLn<p> and SLn<n> on Figure 71-1.

*Suggested Remedy*

Label signals accordingly.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 71 SC 71.6.3 P80 L 49 # 90  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

There is no "backplane ground" in Figure 71-1. Only signal ground is referenced. Change text to be consistent with the figure.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change "backplane ground" to "signal ground".

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 71 SC 71.6.1.5 P82 L 3 # 91  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Update references for clarity. Remove redundancy. Also, it is worth clarifying that the other transmitters should be terminated during the test (both the figure and text are ambiguous on this point).

*Suggested Remedy*

Change opening paragraph to:

"The transmitter differential output signal is defined at TP1, as shown in Figure 71-1 and Figure 71-2. The transmitter shall provide equalization such that the output waveform falls within the template shown in Figure 71-4 for the test pattern specified in 48A.2, with all other transmitters active. All other transmitters shall be terminated with a load meeting the requirements described in 71.6.1.2. Voltage and time coordinates for inflection points on Figure 71-4 are given in Table 71-6. The waveform under test shall be normalized by using the following procedure:"

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 71 SC 6 P82 L 10 # 103  
Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Why does numbering start at ""4""?

*Suggested Remedy*

Renumber using: 1 to 7.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Used a) through g).

**CI 71**      **SC 71.6.1.5**      **P82**      **L 18**      # **92**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

In item 9, the normalization term 0.69 is marked in red ("to be confirmed"). The Task Force needs to confirm this value or select another. Selecting another will likely results in changes to the transmit template.

**Suggested Remedy**

Set the normalization term to 0.69 and accept the transmit template as it stands today, in the interest of compatibility with 10GBASE-CX4.

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

**CI 71**      **SC 71.6.1.7**      **P83**      **L 35**      # **69**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

Circular and incorrect references.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change text to:

"The transmitter shall have a maximum total jitter of 0.350 UI peak-to-peak, a maximum deterministic component of 0.170 UI peak-to-peak and a maximum random component of 0.270 UI peak-to-peak. Jitter specifications include all but 10-12 of the jitter population. Transmit jitter test requirements are specified in 71.6.1.8."

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

**CI 71**      **SC 71.6.1.8**      **P83**      **L 45**      # **93**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

The transmit jitter test requirements are to be performed with "All four Channels are active in both directions, and opposite ends of the link use asynchronous clocks." However, 71.6.1.1 states that the test fixture shown in Figure 71-1 is the basis of all transmitter measurements, and this figure shows no provision for the "opposite end of the link". The aim of this appears to be able to account for crosstalk in the local transmit jitter measurement, but:

1. This is not feasible in the backplane environment
2. Crosstalk tolerance will be accounted at the receiver via the interference test methodology.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change section to:

"Transmit jitter is defined with respect to the transmitter differential output signal at TP1, as shown in Figure 71-1 and Figure 71-2, and the test procedure resulting in a BER bathtub curve such as that described in Annex 48B. For the purpose of jitter measurement, the effect of a single-pole high pass filter with a 3 dB point at 1.875 MHz is applied to the jitter. The data pattern for jitter measurements shall be the CJPAT pattern defined in Annex 48A.5. For this test, all other transmitters shall be active and terminated with a load meeting the requirements described in 71.6.1.2. Crossing times are defined with respect to the mid-point (0 V) of the AC-coupled differential signal."

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

**CI 71**      **SC 71.6.2**      **P84**      **L 3**      # **88**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status A**

Redundant "shalls". Each requirement has a corresponding "shall" so this "global shall" seems to have no purpose.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change text to: "Receiver characteristics are summarized in Table 71-7 and detailed in the following subclauses."

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

<i>CI</i> 71	<i>SC</i> 71.6.2	<i>P84</i>	<i>L</i> 21	# 94
Healey, Adam		Agere Systems	Editor 1	
<i>Comment Type</i>	<b>T</b>	<i>Comment Status</i>	<b>A</b>	
No receiver common-mode return loss specifications. Suggest using XAUI common-mode return loss requirements as a starting point.				
<i>Suggested Remedy</i>				
Change Table 71-7 characteristic "Return loss differential (minimum)" to "Differential input return loss (minimum)".				
Add Table 71-7 characteristic "Common-mode input return loss (minimum)" and assign value 6 dB. The subclause reference for this new characteristic will be 7.1.6.2.6.				
Add section 71.6.2.6 titled "Common-mode return loss (10GBASE-KX4)" with the following text:				
"The receiver common-mode return loss shall be greater than or equal to 6 dB over a frequency range of 100 MHz to 2000 MHz. The reference impedance for common-mode return loss measurements is 25 Ohms."				
<i>Response</i>		<i>Response Status</i>	<b>C</b>	
ACCEPT.				

<i>CI</i> 71	<i>SC</i> 71.6.2.1	<i>P84</i>	<i>L</i> 25	# 70
Healey, Adam		Agere Systems	Editor 1	
<i>Comment Type</i>	<b>T</b>	<i>Comment Status</i>	<b>A</b>	
Per motion #8 from the May interim meeting, the interference tolerance methodology will be the basis for receiver compliance. This supercedes subclause 71.6.2.1.				
<i>Suggested Remedy</i>				
Re-word subclause 71.6.2.1 to refer to Annex 72A (or the place where this annex eventually ends up) and list 10GBASE-KX4 specific parameters and requirements related to this methodology. These parameters and requirements are expected to be decided at the June interim meeting.				
<i>Response</i>		<i>Response Status</i>	<b>C</b>	
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
See comment #98.				

<i>CI</i> 71	<i>SC</i> 6.2	<i>P84</i>	<i>L</i> 25	# 98
Moore, Charles		Agilent Technologies	Editor 1	
<i>Comment Type</i>	<b>T</b>	<i>Comment Status</i>	<b>A</b>	
We have approved a normative Interference tolerance test for KX4 we need to add it to specification document.				
<i>Suggested Remedy</i>				
add new sub clause to 71.6.2 stating: Compliant Receiver shall pass Interference tolerance test as defined in annex 69A with EITbase = 100mV p-p f1 = 0.5GHz f2 = 3.125GHz minISloss = 11dB				
<i>Response</i>		<i>Response Status</i>	<b>C</b>	
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
Change 71.7.2.1 heading to "Receiver inference tolerance (10GBASE-KX4)"				
"The receiver interference tolerance shall be measured as described in Annex 69A with the parameters specified in Table 71-X. The BREIT, as defined in Annex 69A, shall be greater than 0. The test pattern for this measurement shall be the jitter tolerance test pattern of 48A.5"				
Add table with the following parameters/values.				
EITbase = 100mV p-p f1 = 0.5GHz f2 = 3.125GHz minISloss shall be no less than the difference between Amin(f1) and Amin(f2) as per equation 69A-1.				
Related comment(s): #70, #114				
<i>CI</i> 71	<i>SC</i> 6.2.1	<i>P84</i>	<i>L</i> 28	# 114
Gaither, Justin		Xilinx	Editor 1	
<i>Comment Type</i>	<b>TR</b>	<i>Comment Status</i>	<b>A</b>	
This needs to change due to events at last inirim meeting				
<i>Suggested Remedy</i>				
Change to ", through a channel of acceptable quality and received by a compliant receiver as defined in 71.6.2."				
<i>Response</i>		<i>Response Status</i>	<b>C</b>	
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.				
See comment #98.				

## IEEE P802.3ap Comments

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**CI 71**      **SC 71.8**      **P85**      **L 39**      # **95**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

Measurement requirements are adequately addressed in 71.6 and reference annexes.  
 Delete this subclause and editor's note.

**Suggested Remedy**

Delete this 71.8 and delete the corresponding editor's note.

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

**CI 71**      **SC 71.9**      **P86**      **L 1**      # **71**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

Need environmental specifications to complete this clause.

**Suggested Remedy**

Add the following text to subclause 71.9:

"All equipment subject to this clause shall conform to the applicable requirements of 14.7."

Delete the editor's note.

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Incorporate text from healey\_01\_0605 and delete editor's note.

**CI 72**      **SC 72**      **P93**      **L 3**      # **61**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status A**

Editor's note is no longer relevant. Delete editor's note.

**Suggested Remedy**

Delete editor's note.

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

**CI 72**      **SC 1**      **P93**      **L 37**      # **113**  
 Gaither, Justin      Xilinx      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status R**

change must to shall

**Suggested Remedy**

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 REJECT.

This requirement is enforced in the clause 46 text (refer to 46.1). This table is informative and requirements pertaining to the XGMII are beyond the scope of this clause.

**CI 72**      **SC 3**      **P94**      **L 10**      # **104**  
 Spagna, Fulvio      INTEL      Editor 1

**Comment Type E**      **Comment Status A**

Replace "BT" with "bit times" for consistency with other clauses.

**Suggested Remedy**

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

**CI 72**      **SC 72.4**      **P94**      **L 13**      # **179**  
 Healey, Adam      Agere Systems      Editor 1

**Comment Type T**      **Comment Status A**

PMD MDIO function mapping is missing.

**Suggested Remedy**

Create table and supporting text that defines the mapping. Delete editor's note.

**Response**      **Response Status C**  
 ACCEPT.

Duplicate of Comment #72

CI 72 SC 72.4 P94 L 16 # 72  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

PMD MDIO Function Mapping is missing. Create mapping. Delete editor's note.

*Suggested Remedy*

I will supply the appropriate mapping.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 72.5.1 P95 L 4 # 73  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Link block diagram must be added. Delete editor's note.

*Suggested Remedy*

I will supply the link block diagram.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Incorporate figure and text from healey\_01\_0605.

CI 72 SC 72.5.2 P95 L 12 # 74  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Definition of ""tx\_bit = ONE"" could be more robust. A more robust definition is used in the other Backplane Ethernet port types.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text:

"The higher power level on the positive line of the transmit differential pair shall correspond to tx\_bit = ONE."

to:

"A positive output voltage of SL<p> minus SL<n> (differential voltage) shall correspond to tx\_bit = ONE."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 72.5.3 P95 L 20 # 75  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Definition of ""rx\_bit = ONE"" is not correct or very robust. A more robust definition is used in the other Backplane Ethernet port types.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text:

"The higher power level on the positive line of the receive differential pair shall correspond to tx\_bit = ONE."

to:

"A positive output voltage of DL<p> minus DL<n> (differential voltage) shall correspond to rx\_bit = ONE."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 5.3 P95 L 20 # 115  
Gaither, Justin Xilinx Editor 1

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

This is not an optical system.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change ""optical"" to ""electrical"" Also change tx\_bit to rx\_bit

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

See comment #75

CI 72 SC 72.5.4 P95 L 25 # 178  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The PMD Signal Detect function is awaiting proposed text.

*Suggested Remedy*

Add the text in healey\_01\_0605 to 72.5.4. Delete the editor's note.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 5.6 P95 L48 # 116  
 Gaither, Justin Xilinx Editor 1

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **R**

Loopback is optional for 10GBase-KR PMD

*Suggested Remedy*

Change shall to can

Response Response Status **C**

REJECT.

Loopback is mandatory.

CI 72 SC 72.5.5 P95 L164 # 177  
 Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **A**

The transmit disable function is awaiting proposed text.

*Suggested Remedy*

Remove editor's note. Add the following text to 72.5.5.

"The Global\_PMD\_transmit\_disable function is optional. When this function is supported, it shall meet the requirements of this subclause.

A) When the Global\_PMD\_transmit\_disable variable is set to ONE, this function shall turn off the transmitter such it drives a constant level (i.e. no transitions) and does not exceed the maximum differential peak-to-peak output voltage in Table 72-5.

b) If a PMD\_fault (72.5.7) is detected, then the PMD may turn off the electrical transmitter.

c) Loopback, as defined in 72.5.6, shall not be affected by Global\_PMD\_transmit\_disable.

If the MDIO interface is implemented, then this function shall map to the PMD\_global\_transmit\_disable bit as specified in 45.2.1.8.5."

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

Note - Editor - check 45.2.1.8.5. reference.

CI 72 SC 72.5.7 P96 L15 # 76  
 Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **A**

Editor's note indicates that the PMD fault functions were not adopted as part of the baseline. There are three options:

1. The proposed definition must be adopted.

2. An alternate definition must be drafted and adopted.

3. The feature must be removed from the clause.

Due to the fact that this feature is supported by the 1000BASE-KX and 10GBASE-KX4 port types, it is my opinion that this feature be adopted, as defined, for 10GBASE-KR.

Adoption of 72.5.7 implies that 72.5.8 and 72.5.9 also be adopted.

*Suggested Remedy*

Adopt definitions for PMD\_fault, PMD Transmit Fault, and PMD Receive Fault as written.

Delete editor's notes accompanying subclauses 72.5.7, 72.5.8 and 72.5.9.

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 5 P98 L3 # 109  
 Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **R**

The control channel is 256 bit long. The assertion that the 32bit pattern 0xFFFF0000 does not appear in the control channel is:

(1) true for the coefficient update field but only under the assumption that ""11"" be not allowed as a coefficient update

(2) false for the status report field where the 120 bit associated with the update status can, in principle, be any sequence.

*Suggested Remedy*

Response Response Status **C**

REJECT.

This is incorrect. Under normal circumstances. Differential Manchester encoding guarantees that 0xffff.0000 cannot appear in either the control channel or status report field. Note that the frame marker is a Differential Manchester Coding violation.

For the specific example cited, the value "11" would be encoded at 0xff00ff00 or 0x00ff00ff depending on the value of the symbol preceding the "11" encoded sequence.

CI 72 SC 5.10.2.4 P99 L3 # 52  
 Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Shouldn't the value of the gain field be constrained to not change during any update requests (for any coefficient) ?

*Suggested Remedy*

Add the following or similar : ""The value of the update gain field shall only be changed if all coefficient update fields have the ""hold"" value.""

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add the following sentence -  
 "The value of the update gain field shall only be changed if all corresponding coefficient update fields are set to "hold.""

CI 72 SC 5.10.2.6 P99 L39 # 51  
 Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The meaning of the "overflow" and "underflow" status indications is not clear. Overflow and underflow normally indicate a corruption of an arithmetic result due to a rollover/rollunder. In our context (I believe) we actually mean saturation of the tap coefficient at its positive and negative limits.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change ""overflow"" to ""maximum limit"" and ""underflow"" to ""minimum limit"", or similar. Note that saturation should be indicated whenever the tap coefficient equals the corresponding limit, So there is no need to over/underflow beyond it.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate editorial instructions per szczepanek\_03\_0605.

CI 72 SC 5.10.2.6.2 P100 L10 # 53  
 Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Coefficient update operations are incompletely defined for the target of the operation. Although the sender is required to stop sending inc/dec requests once an updated response is seen, there is no requirement on the target to accept only one request. This kind of handshake really needs a State Machine to define it properly.

*Suggested Remedy*

I will provide a SM presentation at the interim meeting

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate editorial instructions per szczepanek\_03\_0605.

CI 72 SC 5.10.2.6.2 P100 L10 # 49  
 Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

"Four status encodings are defined : not updated underflow, and overflow" I make that 3 !

*Suggested Remedy*

Change to : "Four status encodings are defined : not updated, updated, underflow, and overflow"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 5 P100 L10 # 105  
 Spagna, Fulvio INTEL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

For clarity change: "Each coefficient, k, is assigned a 2-bit field describing the status of pending updates to the coefficient."

*Suggested Remedy*

to "Each coefficient, k, is assigned a 2-bit field describing the status of pending updates to the local transmitter coefficients."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate editorial instructions per szczepanek\_03\_0605.



CI 72 SC 72.6.1 P105 L5 # 77  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Subclause text could use some help.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change:

"Transmitter characteristics in Table 72-5 shall meet specifications at TP1, unless otherwise noted."

to:

"Transmitter characteristics shall meet the specifications in Table 72-5 at TP1 while transmitting the square-wave test pattern specified in 49.2.8, unless otherwise noted."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to -  
"Transmitter characteristics are summarized in Table 72-5 and detailed in the following subclauses."

CI 72 SC 72.6.1 P105 L13 # 80  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

No subclause reference for "signaling speed". Add one. Also, since 10GBASE-KR is a single-lane PHY, the "per-lane" clarification is not appropriate.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change name of characteristic from "Signaling speed, per lane" to "Signaling speed". Create subclause reference 72.6.1.3 for signaling speed, and renumber other references accordingly.

Insert new subclause 72.6.1.3 with the title "Signaling speed". Add the following text:

"The 10GBASE-KR signaling speed shall be 3.125 GBd +/- 100 ppm."

Renumber subsequent subclauses accordingly.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

As in remedy except 72.6.1.3 text should be:

"The 10GBASE-KR signaling speed shall be 10.3125 GBd +/- 100 ppm."

CI 72 SC 72.6.1.4 P105 L16 # 78  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Common mode voltage limits in Table 72-5 are "TBD". These limits must be defined.

These limits also appear in 72.6.1.3 (page 106, line 49) and must be defined there as well. While modifying that text, it also makes sense to implement the following editorial corrections:

1. SLn<p> and SLn<n> should be changed to SL<p> and SL<n> since this is a single-lane PHY.
2. There is no "backplane ground" in Figure 72-5. The reference in the figure is "signal ground" and should be referenced as such.
3. Correct equation in Figure 72-6 to read "SL<p>-SL<n>"
4. Correct note below Figure 72-6 to read "NOTE - SL<p> and SL<n> are the positive and negative sides of the differential signal pair."

*Suggested Remedy*

Set the common-mode voltage range to -0.4-1.9 V.

In section 72.6.1.3, Change text to read: "DC-referenced logic levels are not defined since the receiver is AC-coupled. The common mode voltage of SL<p> and SL<n> shall be between -0.4 V and 1.9 V with respect to signal ground as measured at Vcom in Figure 72-5."

Change equation in Figure 72-6 to read: "SL<p>-SL<n>".

Change note below Figure 72-6 to read: "NOTE - SL<p> and SL<n> are the positive and negative sides of the differential signal pair."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 72.6.1 P105 L25 # 182  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Note 1 states that "Deterministic jitter is already incorporated into the differential output template." I do not understand why this statement is necessary or useful.

*Suggested Remedy*

Delete note.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 72.6.1.1 P106 L 13 # 79  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

For clarity, label signals SL<p> and SL<n> on Figure 72-5.

*Suggested Remedy*

Add labels to Figure.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 6.1.4 P107 L 16 # 155  
Ghiasi, Ali Brodcom Editor 1

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Common mode output return loss is missing. In backplane Ethernet applications with 2 connectors and long challenging FR4 traces common signal are generated. A driver with unterminated common mode will cause significant signal degradation.

*Suggested Remedy*

Define common mode base on the following equation

$RL > 6 \text{ dB for } 100 \text{ MHz to } 7.5 \text{ GHz}$

$RL > 6 - 16.66 \text{ LOG}_{10}(f/7.5 \text{ GHz}) \text{ dB for } 7.5 \text{ GHz to } 15 \text{ GHz}$

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add Table 72-5 characteristic "Common-mode output return loss (minimum)" and assign value 6 dB. The subclause reference for this new characteristic will be 72.6.1.5.

Add section 72.6.1.5 titled "Common-mode output return loss (10GBASE-KR)" with the following text:

"The transmitter common-mode return loss shall be greater than or equal to 6 dB over a frequency range of 100 MHz to 7500 MHz. The reference impedance for common-mode return loss measurements is 25 Ohms."

Re-number following subclauses.

CI 72 SC 72.6.1.4 P107 L 17 # 81  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Return loss equation now only applies from 100 MHz to 7500 MHz. In addition, the return loss figure (Figure 72-7) needs to be updated to reflect the new equation.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text:

"For frequencies from 100 MHz to 15 GHz, the differential return loss, in dB with f in MHz, of the transmitter shall meet Equation 72-1 and Equation 72-2."

to: "For frequencies from 100 MHz to 7500 MHz, the differential return loss, in dB with f in MHz, of the transmitter shall meet Equation 72-1 and Equation 72-2."

Change Equations 72-1 and 72-2 such that f is in MHz, consistent with subclause text.

Update Figure 72-7.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In addition to suggested remedy...

Modify Equation 72-1 to:

$\text{ReturnLoss}(f) \geq 9 \text{ dB for } 100 \text{ MHz} \leq f < 2000 \text{ MHz}$

Modify Equation 72-2 to:

$\text{ReturnLoss}(f) \geq 9 - 12.2 \cdot \log_{10}(f/2000 \text{ MHz}) \text{ for } 2000 \text{ MHz} \leq f < 7500 \text{ MHz}$

Related comment(s): #44, #46, #47, #117

CI 72 SC 6.1.4 P107 L 17 # 154  
 Ghiasi, Ali Brodcom Editor 1

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **R**

It is specified that output return loss shall meet Eq 72-2 for all valid output levels. No procedure is specified on how to test for the output return loss and to test for each level including during transition is currently not possible with the test equipments.

*Suggested Remedy*

To test for return loss one leg of the output driver will be turned On and the other to OFF state. The output driver may require external biasing to get nominal VOH and VOL. An NWA will then measure output return loss. This measurement will be the average of the On and Off state.

Response Response Status **C**

REJECT.

Some explanation needs to be provided as to why the suggested remedy should be mandated as the technique to be used by the industry.

The "all valid output levels" language leaves it to the implementer to design a test that verifies compliance to the specification over these conditions.

CI 72 SC 6.1.4 P107 L 28 # 46  
 Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**

in equation 72-2 the slope should be referenced from the 2.5Ghz corner frequency.

*Suggested Remedy*

f/7.5Ghz should be f/2.5Ghz

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #81

CI 72 SC 72.6.1.4 P107 L 2829 # 44  
 Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **A**

eq 72-2 is not a consistant piecewise linear equation

*Suggested Remedy*

Replace the denominator 7.5 GHz the 2.5GHz

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #81

CI 72 SC Figure 72-7 P108 L # 47  
 Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**

Figure needs updating to reflect revised corner frequency

*Suggested Remedy*

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #81

CI 72 SC 6.1.4 P108 L 10 # 117  
 Gaither, Justin Xilinx Editor 1

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**

Graph does not match equations

*Suggested Remedy*

Update Graph

Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

See comment #81.

Healey to supply figure consistent with resolution to comment #81.

CI 72 SC 72.6.1.5 P108 L31 # 82  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Incorrect test pattern reference.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text:

"The rising edge transition time shall be no less than 24 ps as measured at the 20% and 80% levels of the peak-to-peak differential value of the waveform using the high frequency test pattern of 48A.1. The falling edge transition time shall be no less than 24ps as measured at the 80% and 20% levels of the peak-to-peak differential value of the waveform using the high frequency test pattern of 48A.1."

to:

"The rising edge transition time shall be no less than 24 ps as measured at the 20% and 80% levels of the peak-to-peak differential value of the waveform using the square wave test pattern of 49.2.8. The falling edge transition time shall be no less than 24ps as measured at the 80% and 20% levels of the peak-to-peak differential value of the waveform using the square wave test pattern of 49.2.8."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 6.1.6 P108 L35 # 152  
Ghiasi, Ali Brodcom Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status R

Jitter specification include all but 10-12 of the jitter population is not clear.

*Suggested Remedy*

You can say ""Jitter specifications are specified for BER 1E-12""

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

Similar language is used for 1000BASE-KX and 10GBASE-KX4, and current language is believed to be sufficiently clear.

CI 72 SC 72.6.1.6 P108 L37 # 83  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Circular and incorrect references.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change text to:

"The transmitter shall have a maximum total jitter of 0.30 UI peak-to-peak, a maximum deterministic component of 0.15 UI peak-to-peak and a maximum random component of 0.15 UI peak-to-peak. Jitter specifications include all but 10-12 of the jitter population. Transmit jitter test requirements are specified in 72.6.1.7."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 6.1.6 P108 L40 # 153  
Ghiasi, Ali Brodcom Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Transmitt jitter specified in 72.6.1.6 is missing

*Suggested Remedy*

Please add proper reference or add the jitter test requirement to the section

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

72.6.1.6 is not missing but it is a circular reference. The correct reference is 72.6.1.7, which is included.

Refer to comment(s): #56, #83

CI 72 SC 72.6.1.7 P108 L44 # 56  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The transmit jitter test requirements are to be performed with "Channels active in both directions, and opposite ends of the link use asynchronous clocks." However, 72.6.1.1 states that the test fixture shown in Figure 72-5 is the basis of all transmitter measurements, and this figure shows no provision for the "opposite end of the link". The aim of this appears to be able to account for crosstalk in the local transmit jitter measurement, but:  
1. This is not feasible in the backplane environment  
2. Crosstalk tolerance will be accounted at the receiver via the interference test methodology.

In addition, 48B.3 is the correct reference for output jitter measurement methodologies.

Also, some improved wording regarding the relationship between seed patterns in Table 72-6 may add clarity.

Finally, rather than state Fbaud/1667, use the approximate actual value (6 MHz) to add clarity.

#### Suggested Remedy

Change text to:

"Transmit jitter is defined with respect to a test procedure resulting in a BER bathtub curve such as that described in Annex 48B.3. For the purpose of jitter measurement, the effect of a single-pole high pass filter with a 3 dB point at 6 MHz is applied to the jitter. The data pattern for jitter measurements shall be the psuedo-random pattern defined in 49.2.8 with the seed values shown in Table 72-6. Crossing times are defined with respect to the mid-point (0 V) of the AC-coupled differential signal."

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 72.6.1.8 P109 L40 # 175  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Check subscripts for Rpre, Rpst, Dpre, and Dpst. In some instances, the font is not subscript.

#### Suggested Remedy

Check all occurrences and make consistent.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 6.1.8 P109 L41 # 119  
Gaither, Justin Xilinx Editor 4

Comment Type TR Comment Status A krtx

The test criteria does not define C0 values or ranges or resolution. We need to address and test Main cursor.

#### Suggested Remedy

Change:

"For all possible configurations of the transmit equalizer"

to

"For C0 value of 550mV +/- 50mV the following conditions shall be met:"

add sentence:

"With equalization disabled (C-1, and C1) the value of C0 shall be capable of decrementing to value no greater than 100mV for any C0 decrement request that returns underflow. For adjacent main-cursor settings (k) and (k-1) resulting from a single increment or decrement operation on tap C0, the difference in output value shall be greater than 0 and less than 50mV."

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See brink\_01\_0605.

CI 72 SC 6.1.8 P109 L43 # 48  
Szczepanek, Andre Texas Instruments Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A krtx

The equalizer specification ratios a) through g) have inconsistent units. a) through e) are defined in dB. f) & g) as a simple ratio.

#### Suggested Remedy

Define all the ratios in the same units. I prefer simple ratios to dB's.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Linear units were used to 3 significant digits.

CI 72 SC 6.2 P111 L 28 # 151  
 Ghiasi, Ali Brodcom Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status R

Assuming a source and load with return loss of -8 dB can produce 16% of signal may add constructively to the actual signal.

**Suggested Remedy**

With max 1200 mV launch signal, -8 dB return loss will produce 191 mV. Suggest to change max RX input to 1400 mV operating.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The potential for larger input amplitude is described in 72.6.2.4.

CI 72 SC 72.6.2 P111 L 30 # 183  
 Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Should have common-mode return loss specifications.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change Table 72-7 characteristic "Return loss differential (minimum)" to "Differential input return loss (minimum)".

Add Table 72-7 characteristic "Common-mode input return loss (minimum)" and assign value 6 dB. The subclause reference for this new characteristic will be 72.6.2.6.

Add section 72.6.2.6 titled "Common-mode return loss (10GBASE-KR)" with the following text:

"The receiver common-mode return loss shall be greater than or equal to 6 dB over a frequency range of 100 MHz to 7500 MHz. The reference impedance for common-mode return loss measurements is 25 Ohms."

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Related comment(s): #150

CI 72 SC 72.6.2.1 P111 L 36 # 184  
 Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Per motion #8 from the May interim meeting, the interference tolerance methodology will be the basis for receiver compliance. This supercedes subclauses 72.6.2.1 and 72.6.6.

**Suggested Remedy**

Re-word subclause 72.6.2.1 to refer to Annex 72A (or the place where this annex eventually ends up) and list 10GBASE-KR specific parameters and requirements related to this methodology. These parameters and requirements are expected to be decided at the June interim meeting.

Delete 72.6.2.6, 72.6.2.6.1, and Figure 72-10.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #99

CI 72 SC 6.2.1 P111 L 38 # 118  
 Gaither, Justin Xilinx Editor 1

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

There is no such thing as compliant channel anymore

**Suggested Remedy**

change text to ""through a channel of acceptable quality and recieved by a compliant receiver as defined in this clause.""

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #99

CI 72 SC 6.2.5 P112 L 15 # 150  
 Ghiasi, Ali Brodcom Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Common mode input return loss is missing. In backplane Ethernet applications with 2 connectors and long challenging FR4 traces common signal are generated. A driver with unterminated common mode will cause significant signal degradation.

**Suggested Remedy**

Define common mode base on the following equation

RL > 6 dB for 100 MHz to 7.5 GHz

RL > 6 dB - 16.66 LOG10 (f/7.5 GHz) for 7.5 GHz to 15 GHz

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #183.

CI 72 SC 6.2 P112 L23 # 99  
Moore, Charles Agilent Technologies Editor 4

Comment Type T Comment Status A

We have approved a normative Interference tolerance test for KR we need to add it to specification document.

*Suggested Remedy*

add new sub clause to 72.6.2 stating:

Compliant Receiver shall pass Interference tolerance test as defined in annex 69A with

EITbase = 45mV p-p

f1 = 1.0GHz

f2 = 6.0GHz

minISloss = 22dB

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change 72.7.2.1 heading to "Receiver inference tolerance (10GBASE-KR)"

"The receiver interference tolerance shall be measured as described in Annex 69A with the parameters specified in Table 72-X. The BREIT, as defined in Annex 69A, shall be greater than 0. The test pattern for this measurement shall be the pseudo-random test pattern of 49.2.8 with the seed values shown in Figure 72-6."

Add table with the following parameters/values.

EITbase = 15mV p-p

f1 = 1.0GHz

f2 = 6.0GHz

minISloss shall be no less than the difference between Amin(f1) and Amin(f2) as per equation 69A-1.

Delete 72.6.2.6, 72.6.2.6.1, and Figure 72-10.

CI 72 SC 6.2.6.1 P112 L24 # 156  
Ghiasi, Ali Brodcom Editor 1

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

This section is missing test conditions, stressor, etc.

*Suggested Remedy*

You can either write the section or reference OIF CEI

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Refer to comment #99.

CI 72 SC 72 P113 L1 # 84  
Healey, Adam Agere Systems Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Environmental specifications are required to complete this subclause.

*Suggested Remedy*

Create new subclause 72.8 and add the following text:

"All equipment subject to this clause shall conform to the applicable requirements of 14.7."

Delete the editor's note.

Renumber following subclauses accordingly.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate text from healey\_01\_0605 and delete editor's note.

CI 72A SC 72A.1 P117 L33 # 4  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Change ""Bit Error Rate"" to ""Bit Error Ratio""

*Suggested Remedy*

Change ""Bit Error Rate"" to ""Bit Error Ratio""

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 72A SC 72A.2 P118 L1245 # 43  
Mellitz, Richard Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status R

DFE capture window not considered.

*Suggested Remedy*

Add "emulated reflection" blocks as illustrated in palkert\_01\_0505 slide 5 an 6.

Add after line 44: "The emulated refection delay is 8 UI and the amplitude of the reflection in 8%."

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The Task Force has elected to fold the emulated reflection into the interference component of the test.

CI 72A SC 4.1 P120 L 23 # 100  
Moore, Charles Agilent Technologies Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A rxtest

This section defines the "data like" interference tolerance test. No one seems to show much interest in this test.

*Suggested Remedy*

Delete this test in 72A and/or 69A if appropriate

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

We will delete data-like interference test from new Annex 69A.

CI 73 SC 73.1 P124 L 41 # 130  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Extra period after Clause 73.

*Suggested Remedy*

Remove period.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.5.1.1 P126 L 28 # 131  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Change disable to disabled.

*Suggested Remedy*

See comment.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.5.1.1 P126 L 39 # 157  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

In Table 73-1 Receive differential peak-to-peak input voltage is specified as 100-1200mV. This is inconsistent with the text in 73.7.1 (page 132, line 16) which correctly states minimum receive sensitivity as 200mV. Please fix Table 72-1 to read as 200-1200mV

*Suggested Remedy*

Change page 126, line 39 (Table 73-1) to read as ""Receive differential peak-to-peak input voltage"" as ""200-1200"" mV.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.5.2 P126 L 45 # 132  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

autonegotiation

*Suggested Remedy*

Change to Auto-Negotiation and make consistent throughout clause.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.5.2 P126 L 51 # 145  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

A figure showing the Manchester violation would be very helpful here.

*Suggested Remedy*

Add figure.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

See ganga\_01\_0605.

Refer to comment #168.



CI 73 SC 73.5.2 P127 L5 # 5  
 Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 Spelling of ""position""  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Change ""postion"" to ""position""  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.5.2 P127 L6 # 133  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 pseudon-random  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Change to pseudo-random.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.5.2 P127 L6 # 15  
 Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A  
 ""pseudon-random source as defined in 42.2.4.2""  
 Change ""pseudon"" to ""pseudo""  
 There is no 42.2.4.2  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Either correct the reference or change to ""pseudo-random source""  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.  
 The correct reference is "48.2.4.2".

CI 73 SC 73.5.2 P127 L6 # 146  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1  
 Comment Type T Comment Status A  
 42.2.4.2 is wrong reference.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Replace with correct reference.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

The correct reference is "48.2.4.2".  
 See comment #15

CI 73 SC 73.5.2 P127 L14 # 134  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 Clock DMEs and data DMEs doesn't make sense.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Change to Clock DME bits and data DME bits, or something similar.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace "clock DMEs" with "clock transition positions" and "data DMEs" with "data transition positions" based on the nomenclature established in 73.5.1.

CI 73 SC 73.5.2 P127 L34 # 135  
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1  
 Comment Type E Comment Status A  
 This is a repetition of text on the previous page.  
 Suggested Remedy  
 Delete sentence.  
 Response Response Status C  
 ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.5.3 P127 L 38 # 160  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

Line 38 reads as "The transition positions within a DME page shall be spaced with a period of T1 +/- 0.01% as enumerated in Table 73-2" T1 is the nominal value and T3 specifies the variation (min, max, typ) and is specified in table 73-2. Also there is inconsistency between the text and table. Hence remove the redundant information (+/-0.01%) from this line.

*Suggested Remedy*

Modify the line 38, page 128 to read as "The transition positions within a DME page shall be spaced with a period of T1 as enumerated in Table 73-2"

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Refer to comment #147.

CI 73 SC 73.5.3 P127 L 38 # 147  
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

It looks like T1 is the only value associated with a shall statement. The other values should also be covered.

*Suggested Remedy*

Add sentence ""The timing parameters for DME pages shall be followed as in Table 73-2.""  
Remove shall from line 28.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change text to:

"The timing parameters for DME pages shall be followed as in Table 73-2. The transition positions within a DME page are spaced with a period of T1."

See comment #160.

CI 73 SC 73.5.3 P128 L 7 # 158  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

The table 73-1 DME page timing summary specifies a timing variation of 0.1%. For example this provides only 3.2ps variation for clock to data transition which is very tight. It is proposed to have the transition variation same as the transmit jitter for the lowest baud rate PHY (1000BASE-KX). This amounts to 200ps. So the transitions should be within +/- 200ps. Modify the table 73-2 as per the attached document.

*Suggested Remedy*

Modify the table 73-2 as per the attached document: The table shows min, typ and max timing for each T values instead of percentage of Tx.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

See ganga\_01\_0605.  
Refer to comment #168.

CI 73 SC 73.5.3 P128 L 32 # 168  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

Add a subclause 73.5.3.1 that defines Manchester violation delimiter and illustrate with a timing diagram with T6. Where T6 = 12.8 +/- 200ps. Specify T6 in DME page timing summary. Currently this is only defined in variable mv\_pair\_detect and not specified in 73.5.3 DME timing subclause.

*Suggested Remedy*

Add subclause 73.5.3.1 Manchester violation delimiter: Use the timing diagram illustration for Manchester violation from thaler\_01\_0105 page 13. Show T6 as time between MV transitions. Add T6 = 12.8 +/- 200ps to Table 73-2.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete editor's note under section 73.5.1.

Incorporate Manchester violation diagram from thaler\_01\_0105 as Figure 73-4 under section 73.5.3.

Update Table 73-2 per ganga\_01\_0605.

Related comment(s): #161

**CI 73**      **SC 73.6.2**      **P129**      **L 20**      # **148**  
 Lynskey, Eric      UNH-IOL      Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **A**      *adhoc*

This subclause says that bits E[4:0] are used for something. In the previous subclause it says these bits, which are also D5:D9 are reserved for future use.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change the previous text to say that D5 to D9 contain the Echoed Nonce field.

**Response**      **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change text

"D[4:0] contains the Selector Field. D[9:5] contains the Echoed Nonce field. D[12:10] contains capability bits advertise capabilities not related to the PHY. Capability bits, C[1:0] is used to advertise pause capability. The remaining capability bits are reserved. D[15:13] contains the RF, Ack and NP bits. These bits shall function as specified in 28.2.1.2. D[20:16] contains the Transmitted Nonce field. D[47:21] contains the Technology Ability Field."

**CI 73**      **SC 73.6**      **P129**      **L 22**      # **16**  
 Marris, Arthur      Cadence      Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **A**      *adhoc*

RF, ACK and NP are defined later in 73.6 so delete ""These bits shall function as specified in 28.2.1.2.""

**Suggested Remedy**

delete ""These bits shall function as specified in 28.2.1.2.""

**Response**      **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT.

Related comment(s): #149

**CI 73**      **SC 73.6**      **P129**      **L 22**      # **149**  
 Lynskey, Eric      UNH-IOL      Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **A**

It says the RF, Ack, and NP bits function as specified in 28.2.1.2. If this is the case, there is no need to define them in 73.6.6, 73.6.7, and 73.6.8.

**Suggested Remedy**

Remove the sentence ""These bits shall function...""

**Response**      **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #16

**CI 73**      **SC 73.6.4**      **P130**      **L 18**      # **136**  
 Lynskey, Eric      UNH-IOL      Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **E**      **Comment Status**    **A**      *adhoc*

The technology ability field should only contain A0:A26. Table 73-4 should not show bits outside this range.

**Suggested Remedy**

Remove extra bits from the table or rename the table.

**Response**      **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Extra bits removed.

**CI 73**      **SC 73.6.6**      **P131**      **L 9**      # **17**  
 Marris, Arthur      Cadence      Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **A**      *ad hoc*

Register definitions for remote fault are wrong.

**Suggested Remedy**

Change 1.129 to 7.16.13 and 1.121 to 7.19.13

**Response**      **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Also add cross-references as appropriate.

**CI 73**      **SC 73.6.7**      **P131**      **L 24**      # **18**  
 Marris, Arthur      Cadence      Editor 1

**Comment Type**    **T**      **Comment Status**    **A**      *ad hoc*

Next page registers are wrong

**Suggested Remedy**

Change to 7.22, 7.23, 7.24 and 7.25, 7.26, 7.27

**Response**      **Response Status**    **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In addition, editor to add appropriate cross-references.

CI 73 SC 73.7.4.1 P132 L42 # 19  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A

For consistency should it not be ""Detection"" rather than ""Detect""

*Suggested Remedy*

Change ""Detect"" to ""Detection""

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 7.4.1 P133 L10 # 186  
Koenen, David Hewlett Packard Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A *adhoc*

This sentence has lost it context from previos paragraph.  
If any other technology-dependent PHYs indicates link\_status=READY

*Suggested Remedy*

If more than one technology-dependent PHYs indicates link\_status=READY

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 7.4.1 P133 L10 # 185  
Koenen, David Hewlett Packard Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A *adhoc*

Statement poorly written.  
If auto-negotiation detects link\_status=READY or link\_status=OK from any of the technology-dependent PHYs prior to DME page detection, the autoneg\_wait\_timer is started.

*Suggested Remedy*

If auto-negotiation detects link\_status=READY or link\_status=OK from any of the technology-dependent PHYs prior to DME page detection, the autoneg\_wait\_timer shall start.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.7.5 P133 L22 # 20  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A *adhoc*

In the Renegotiation subclause

i) delete ""(28.3.2)""

ii) change ""tx\_link\_code\_word[32:1]"" to ""tx\_link\_code\_word[48:1]""

*Suggested Remedy*

As above

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.7.6 P134 L6 # 6  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Typo HCD

*Suggested Remedy*

Change HDC to HCD

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.7.6 P134 L8 # 169  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

As per Figure 73-1 Clause 73 Auto-Neg is below PMD for the .3ap PHYs KX, KX4 and KR. It is possible for legacy 1Gb/s devices connected to 802.3ap PHY can also have clause 37 Auto-Neg. Currently the .3ap standard does not discuss the priority resolution if both clauses are present. This might cause interoperability issues. Because 802.3ap PHY will negotiate abilities using clause 73(Management through MMD7).

#### Suggested Remedy

Provide normative or informative text to explain this configuration (could be a subclause in 73 or added to Annex 73A): If both Local Device and Link Partner are 802.3ap compliant PHYs then both ends shall use abilities exchanged through Clause 73 Auto-Neg(management function shall use MMD7) function. If the Link partner is a legacy device (or has disabled Auto-Negotiation) as indicated by the parallel detect function, then the peer 1Gb/s devices can opt to use abilities exchanged through clause 37. This will ensure there are no interoperability issues when connected to a 802.3ap PHY.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add statement to 73.1 (after 5th paragraph):

"Devices implementing clause 73 Auto-Negotiation shall disable clause 37 Auto-Negotiation."

CI 73 SC 73.8.1 P136 L31 # 170  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

variable mr\_lp\_np\_able "1.126.3 Link Partner Next Page Able" incorrect reference to register bit. Add "Link Partner next page Able" bit to the 7.1 AN Status register and do a correct cross reference.

variable mr\_np\_able "1.126.2 Next Page Able" incorrect reference to register bit. Add "Local Device Next Page Able bit" to 7.1 status register and do a correct cross reference.

#### Suggested Remedy

Add corresponding bits back to MMD7 Status register and modify the cross reference as shown below:

modify line 31 to read as: mr\_lp\_np\_able "7.1.10 Link Partner Next Page Able"

modify line 38 to read as: mr\_np\_able "7.1.11 Next Page Able"

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

See also comment #171

CI 73 SC 73.9 P136 L52 # 54  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

It is not clear what the behaviour of variables is when there is a default.

#### Suggested Remedy

Add a new sentence after "State diagram variables follow the conventions of 21.5.2 except when the variable has a default value. A variable reverts to its default value when not explicitly set within a state."

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Since these state machines are derived from Clause 28, the language used in that clause will be adopted:

Add sentence to 73.9

"Variables in a state diagram with default values evaluate to the variable default in each state where the variable value is not explicitly set."

Reference: 28.3

CI 73 SC 73.9.1 P137 L14 # 7  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

What is the ""the NLP Receive Link Integrity Test state diagram""?

#### Suggested Remedy

Delete ""and the NLP Receive Link Integrity Test state diagram""

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

Related comment(s): #8, #9

CI 73 SC 9.1 P139 L1 # 172  
Joergensen, Thomas Vitesse Semiconductor Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

Variable ability\_match\_word [48:1] is not set anywhere

#### Suggested Remedy

Add following note: NOTE: This variable is set by this variable definition; it is not set explicitly in the state diagrams.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Also add "ability\_match\_word" to "NOTE" in Figure 73-9.

CI 73 SC 73.9.1 P140 L32 # 167  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

In the Definition of detect\_mv\_pair variable: "Manchester Violation delimiter - a sequence of three consecutive transitions with 12.8ns between each pair of transitions". Modify this transition time to include variations: 12.8 +/-200ps

*Suggested Remedy*

Modify the line to read as follows: "Manchester Violation delimiter - a sequence of three consecutive transitions with 12.8ns +/- 200ps between each pair of transitions"

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 9.1 P140 L50 # 187  
Koenen, David Hewlett Packard Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

Missing link\_status definition.

*Suggested Remedy*

Recommend: link\_status This variable is defined in 28.2.6.1.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.9.1 P143 L6 # 166  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Definition for pulse\_too\_long: Modify "spaced to far apart" to read as "spaced too far apart"

*Suggested Remedy*

Modify page 143 line 6, "spaced to far apart" to read as "spaced too far apart"

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.9.1 P144 L8 # 55  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status R adhoc

Please explain the purpose of the 'transmit\_ability' variable. This variable is used to keep the transmit state machine in the 'transmit delimiter' state. It is not clear why this is necessary. The 'transmit\_disable' and 'an\_link\_good' move the state machine to the IDLE state so the need for the 'transmit\_ability' variable is not clear.

*Suggested Remedy*

Either explain the purpose of the 'transmit\_ability' variable or consider deleting it from the AN state machines.

Response Response Status C  
REJECT.

The variable transmit\_ability is used to suspend transmission of DME pages in order to force the link partner to reset auto-negotiation. Refer to the Arbitration state machine (Figure 73-9).

No further explanatory text is required.

CI 73 SC 73.9.2 P146 L12 # 161  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type TR Comment Status A adhoc

In Table 73-7 data\_detect\_min\_timer max value is specified as 3.01ns and data\_detect\_max\_timer min value is specified as 3.39ns. This implies the clock to data transition at receiver as 3.2ns +/- 190ps. This is tighter than the variation allowed by the transmitter spec as per earlier comment 3.2ns +/- 200ps. Hence it is proposed to make this variation greater than or equal to +/-200ps.

*Suggested Remedy*

In table 73-7 line 12, change data\_detect\_min\_timer max value to be 3.0ns.  
In table 73-7 line 13, change data\_detect\_max\_timer min value to be 3.4ns.

Response Response Status C  
ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 73.9.4.1.2 P147 L 34 # 8  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

What is ""the NLP Receive Link Integrity Test state diagram (Figure 73-9)""? Figure 73-9 describes something else.

*Suggested Remedy*

Suggest deleting ""and the NLP Receive Link Integrity Test state diagram (Figure 73-9)"" or improving the description of how link status is generated.  
Also please consider changing subclause 73.9.4.2.3 on page 148.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In 73.9.4.1.2 change: "A technology-dependent PMA and the NLP Receive Link Integrity Test state diagram (Figure 73-9) shall generate this primitive to indicate the value of link\_status."

to:

"A technology-dependent PMA shall generate this primitive to indicate the value of link\_status."

In 73.9.4.2.3, change to:

"The effect of receipt of this primitive shall be governed by the receiving technology-dependent link integrity test function, based on the intent specified in the primitive semantics."

Related comment(s): #7, #9

CI 73 SC 73.9.4.3 P148 L 23 # 9  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

Consider deleting subclause 73.9.4.3 PMA\_LINKPULSE.request (and 73.9.4.3.1, 73.9.4.3.2, 73.9.4.3.3) as I don't think link pulses are used in Clause 73.

*Suggested Remedy*

As above.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Refer to comments #7, #8

CI 73 SC 73.9.5 P150 L 13 # 10  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status R adhoc

In figure 73-7 the transfer between IDLE and TRANSMIT DELIMITER is not really unconditional. The transmit state machine will remain in IDLE as long as the global reset conditions remain true.

*Suggested Remedy*

Delete UCT on line 13.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

If the entry condition is false, then the exit transition is unconditional. If the entry condition is true, the state machine will remain in that state as indicated by the commenter. However, the "UCT" exit condition is still necessary.

CI 73 SC 73.9.5 P151 L 30 # 159  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

In figure 73-8 Receive State diagram, there is a potential for the state machine to be stuck at state DME\_CLOCK and/or state DME\_DATA\_1 if detect\_mv\_pair = not true due to error condition (data corruption). Just having detect\_mv\_pair=true is alone sufficient condition. (For example Clause 28, Fig2 8-15 state machine has an escape path to IDLE state with nlp\_test\_min/max\_timer\_done. Hence provide an escape path to go to IDLE state even for cases where detect\_mv\_pair=true condition never happened, and page\_test\_max\_timer expired. Modify the state machine as proposed in the attached document

*Suggested Remedy*

Modify Fig 73-8 Receive state diagram as modified in the attached document.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Incorporate changes per ganga\_01\_0605

CI 73 SC 73.9.5 P152 L # 11  
Marris, Arthur Cadence Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A adhoc

A few comments on figure 73-9 the Arbitration state diagram

- i) mr\_parallel\_detection\_fault is only set true if more than one link comes up while the text suggests that it is also set true if no links are detected during parallel detection.
- ii) DME page exchange goes on concurrently with parallel detection. This unnecessarily complicates implementation.

*Suggested Remedy*

Make parallel detection happen before ability detection.

Move LINK STATUS CHECK state so that it comes between TRANSMIT DISABLE and ABILITY DETECT. This fixes both problems.

Practical implementations of link status checking will check for each PHY type in sequence rather than in parallel. It would be good if the spec could acknowledge this. For example say that link status checking will check for each of the PHY types supported in sequence for 20ms each.

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

- 1. Text will be modified to address Item i.
- 2. State machine changes will not be made because primary function is first to exchange DME pages / autonegotiation. The secondary function is to do parallel detection.
- 3. The time in which a device searches for a link on a given port type is implementation specific and beyond the scope of this clause.

CI 73 SC 9.5 P152 L12 # 173  
Joergensen, Thomas Vitesse Semiconductor Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status A ad hoc

Figure 73-9

The brackets in the condition for transition from ACKNOWLEDGE\_DETECT to TRANSMIT\_DISABLE are uncomplete.

*Suggested Remedy*

Replace with: (acknowledge\_match=true \* (consistency\_match=false + ack\_nonce\_match=false)) or an\_receive\_idle=true

Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 73 SC 9.5 P152 L12 # 174  
Joergensen, Thomas Vitesse Semiconductor Editor 1

Comment Type T Comment Status R ad hoc

Figure 73-9

tx\_link\_code\_word[10:6] is loaded with the nonce field in state ACKNOWLEDGE\_DETECT. This means for both base pages and next pages. I assume NONCE fields are only used for base pages.

*Suggested Remedy*

Change state machine to only use nonce field for base pages.

Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The original intention was to send the nonce field in both base pages and next pages. There is no obvious advantage to removing this capability from next pages.