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Modification of Comprehensive Stressed Receiver Sensitivity and Overload Test for Verification of Equalizer Adaptation Time



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Summary of the Problem

The IEEE 802.3 Legacy

Ethernet Has Been Successful Because the IEEE 802.3 Working Group Has Delivered Standards That Work – If A System Conforms to the Standard, It Will Interoperate With Other Systems That Conform to the Standard Over the Media Specified In the Standard

Fundamentally, 10GBASE-LRM Systems Must:

- Function With High Confidence Over Channels With Distinctly Different Impulse Responses
- Adapt to Channels With Transfer Functions That May Change Substantially Over Time
- Good Progress Has Been Made on Addressing Static Channel Characteristics And Test Requirements to Confirm Links Will Work Under Non-Time-Varying Conditions
- Some Progress Has Been Made on Understanding Dynamic Channel Characteristics, But More Is Probably Required
- As Written, The Draft Makes No Normative Statements Regarding Adaptation Time

Early Proposal to Link Required Performance to GR-63-CORE

- GR-63-CORE Addresses Office Environments
- Desire to Link Performance to an Industry Standard
- Very Few Standards Exist on Operational Vibration & Shock

Some Experiments Performed On Dynamic Channel Characteristics Using Operational Vibration Specifications from GR-63-CORE

- Limited Data Set
- Stronger Affect With Low-Frequency, High-Amplitude Vibrations
- Some "Gearbox" Effect Estimated at 3X Vibration Frequency
- Modal Noise Penalty to Include Expected High-Frequency Variation

Dynamic Modeling Effort Smaller in Scope Than Static Channel Work

- In Summary:
 - Limited Data on and Modeling of Dynamic Channels to Validate Adaptability Assertions

Option 1: Add Cautionary Informative Statement

- Alerts Users of Standard to Adaptation Time Issue, But Does Not Attempt to Resolve It
- Suggestion: "While not explicitly specified, equalizer adaptation times need to be less than the time variation of channel characteristics resulting from system mechanical perturbations consistent with those specified in Telcordia GR-63-CORE." Added to the End of Section 68.6.9

Option 2: Add Normative Statement Regarding Adaptation Time Without Specific Test

- Suggestion: "Equalizer adaptation times shall be such that a BER of better than 10⁻¹² is sustained through mechanical perturbations for operational systems specified in Telcordia GR-63-CORE. Where levels of compliance are allowed, the compliance level must be clearly stated."
- May Draw Comments Since Normative Specifications Typically Have Defined Test Methodology
- Option 3: Add Normative Statement Regarding Adaptation Time, Define Specific Value for Adaptation Time, And Provide Test Methodology
 - Further Detail Provided on Next Slides

Option 3: Modification of Comprehensive Stressed Receiver Sensitivity and Overload Test for Verification of Equalizer Adaptation Time

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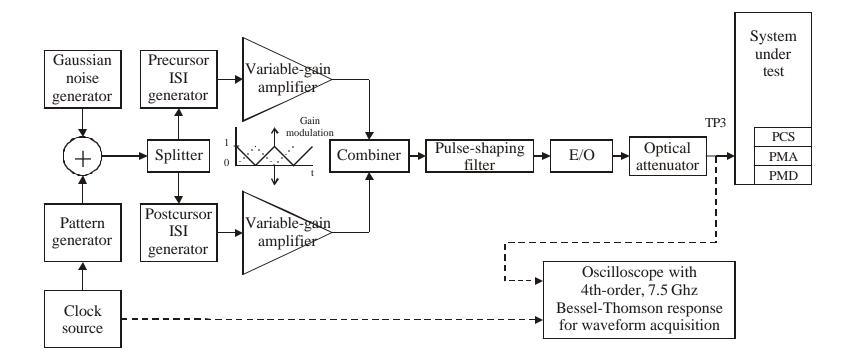
Basic Concept

- Slow Time Variation Between Pre-Cursor and Post-Cursor ISI Generators is Created Through Modulating the Gain on Amplifiers at the Outputs of the Generators
- A Triangle Wave Is Suggested for Gain Modulation
 - Maintains Normalized Amplitude of Combined Signal at Constant Value
 - Modulation Frequency at Expected Rate of Change Channel Impulse Response Suggested Value is 50 Hz

Current Comprehensive Stressed Receiver Sensitivity and Overload Test May Still be Performed as Separate Test

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Revised Figure 68-10



Note: "Precursor ISI generator" and "Postcursor ISI generator" could be generalized to "ISI generator 1" and "ISI generator 2"

Other Changes

Add Row to Table 68-4:

Description	Туре	Value	Unit
Adaptation test frequency	min	50	Hz

- Add to Section 68.6.9.1: "For the Comprehensive stressed receiver and overload test without equalizer adaptation time testing, one variable-gain amplifier is set at constant gain, while the other is set for high attenuation."
- Add Section 68.6.9.5: Equalizer adaptation time test procedure
- Add Row to Table 68-5 Patterns 2 or 3