



Study of KR ERL Test Spec

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Backgrounds and Motivations

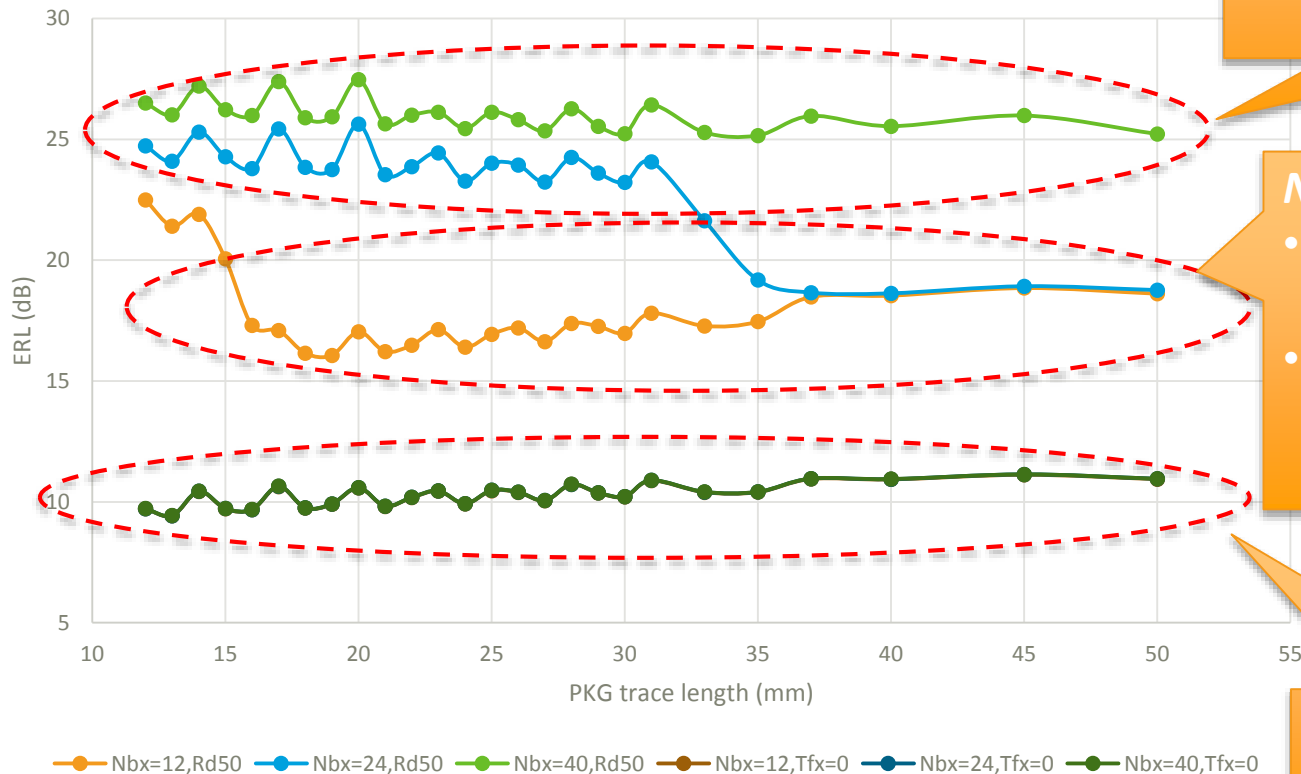
- Effective Return Loss (ERL) had been adopted in IEEE 802.3cd for 50G-KR of TX and RX test specs
 - $\text{ERL}_{\min} = 15 \text{ dB}$
 - T_{fx} is twice the delay from TP0 to TP0a
 - $N_{bx} = N_b$
- Q: how can we set N_{bx} with floating-tap DFE
 - 12 fixed-tap with 3 banks of 3-tap per bank to span up to 40 UI
 - There is max limit on floating-tap coefficients, while ERL doesn't
 - Exploring 3 options: 12, 24, 40
- We explored KR ERL spec by
 - COM ERL calculation by measured TP0 to TP0a test fixture
 - ERL sensitivity to DUT related impedances
- Observations
 - Appropriate ERL_{\min} spec depends on N_{bx} we set
- Suggestions
 - Requires correlation to set N_{bx} and ERL_{\min}

Channel and COM Settings

- DUT
 - COM KR on-die & PKG model
- Measured TP0a test fixture
 - 1.7 dB IL at Nyquist
 - $T_{fx} = 1.56$ ns
- COM parameter settings [details in appendix]
 - COM 2.75 with parameters in D0p3
- Experiments
 - Sweep $N_{bx} = [12\ 24\ 40]$
 - Sweeping $R_d, Z_{p1}, Z_{c1}, Z_{c2}$
 - Observing ERL22 sensitivity by different TX PKG trace length (mm)
 - From 12 up to 50

KR ERL Analysis with TP0a test fixture

ERL (dB) vs. PKG trace length (mm) [Z_{p1}]



$N_{bx}=40$ or
 $N_{bx}=24$ & $Z_{p1} \leq 31$ mm

- can't reflect DUT impedance discontinuities

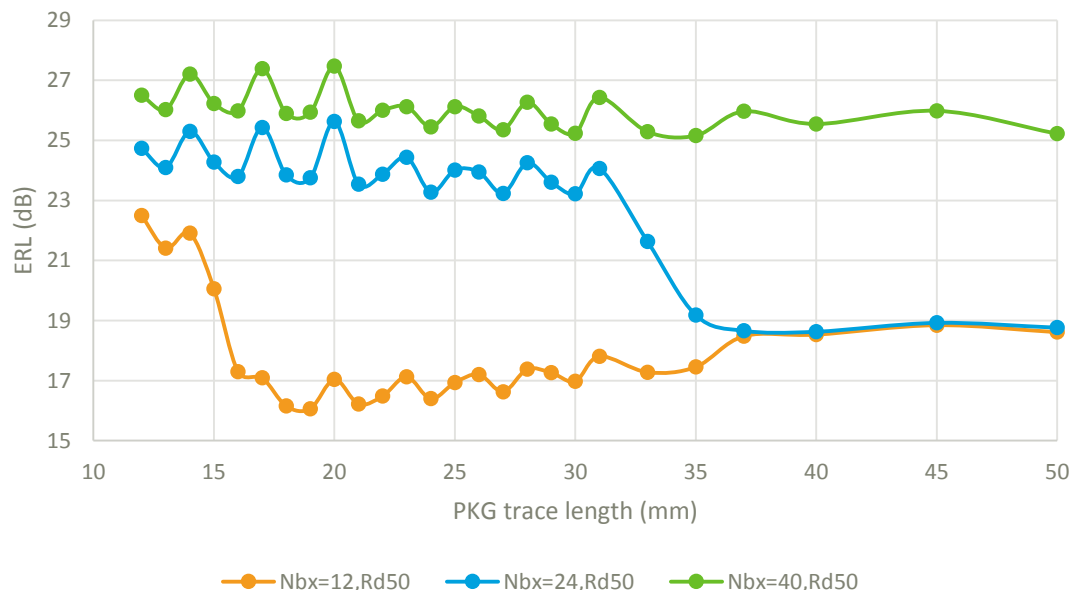
$N_{bx}=12$ & $Z_{p1} \geq 16$ mm

- reflects impedance discontinuities
- may 'False Fail' cases with strong reflection covering by floating-tap DFE

$T_{fx}=0$: TP0a test fixture domains ERL!

KR ERLmin Options – PKG > 31 mm

ERL (dB) vs. PKG trace length (mm) [Z_{p1}]



□ Possible ERL_{min} options

- By averaging ERL among valid PKG trace lengths = $\text{mean}(ERL)$
- Set $ERL_{min} = \text{mean}(ERL) - 3 \text{ dB}$

□ Option 1: $Z_{p1} = 12 \sim 31 \text{ mm}$

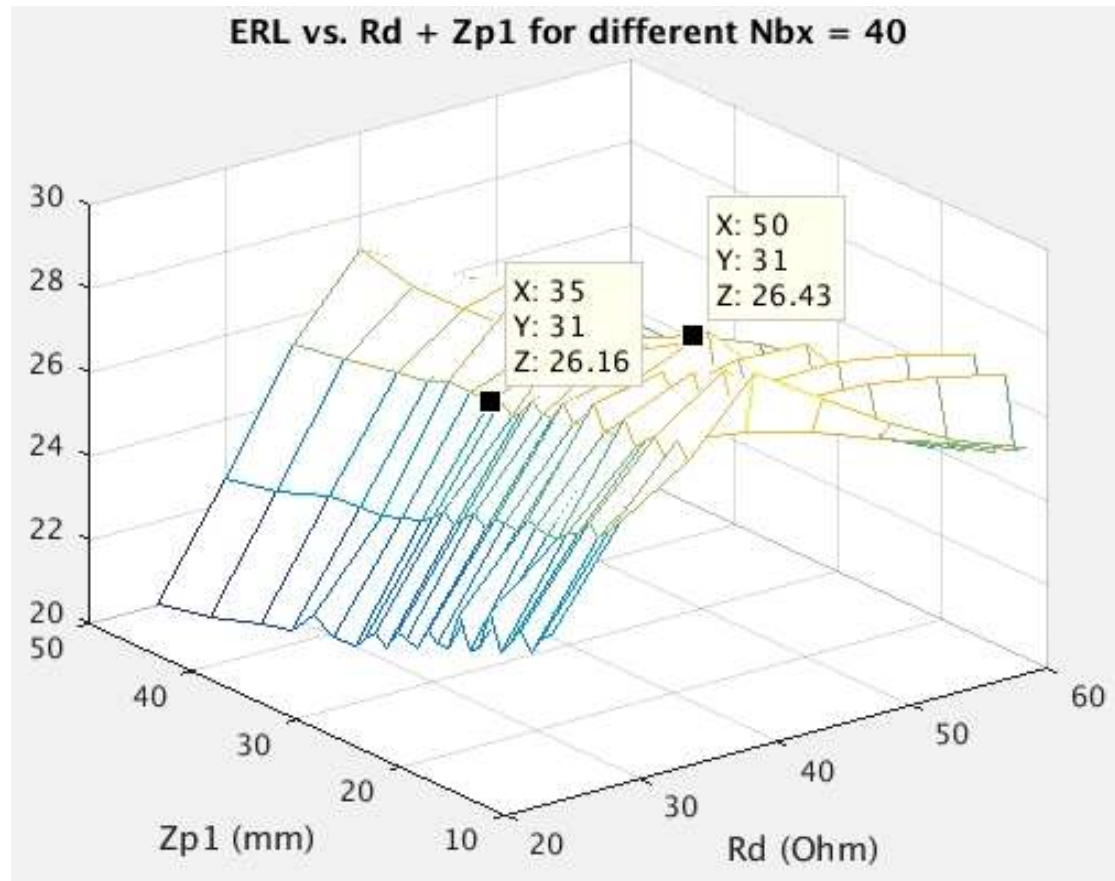
- $ERL_{min} = 14, 20.5, 22.5 \text{ dB}$ for $N_{bx} = 12, 24, 40$

□ Option 2: $Z_{p1} = 12 \sim 50 \text{ mm}$

- Cover the very large PKG scenario
- $ERL_{min} = 14, 15.5, 22.5 \text{ dB}$ for $N_{bx} = 12, 24, 40$

ERLmin / N_{bx}	12	24	40
Option 1	14 dB	20.5 dB	22.5 dB
Option 2	14 dB	15.5 dB	22.5 dB

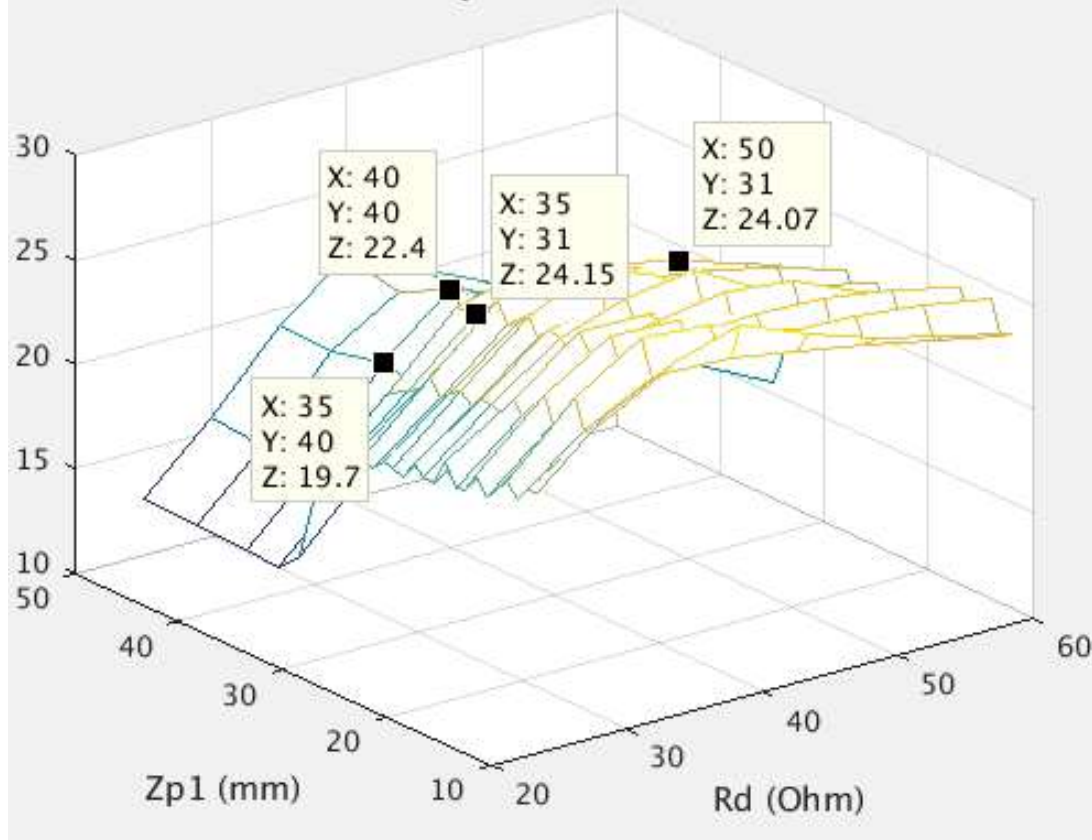
ERL Sensitivity with $N_{bx} = 40 - R_d$



- $N_{bx} = 40$ & $\text{ERL}_{\min} = 22.5$ dB
 - Not sensitive to R_d , even 30% variation
- Similar observations for sweeping Z_{c1} & Z_{c2}

ERL Sensitivity with $N_{bx} = 24 - R_d$

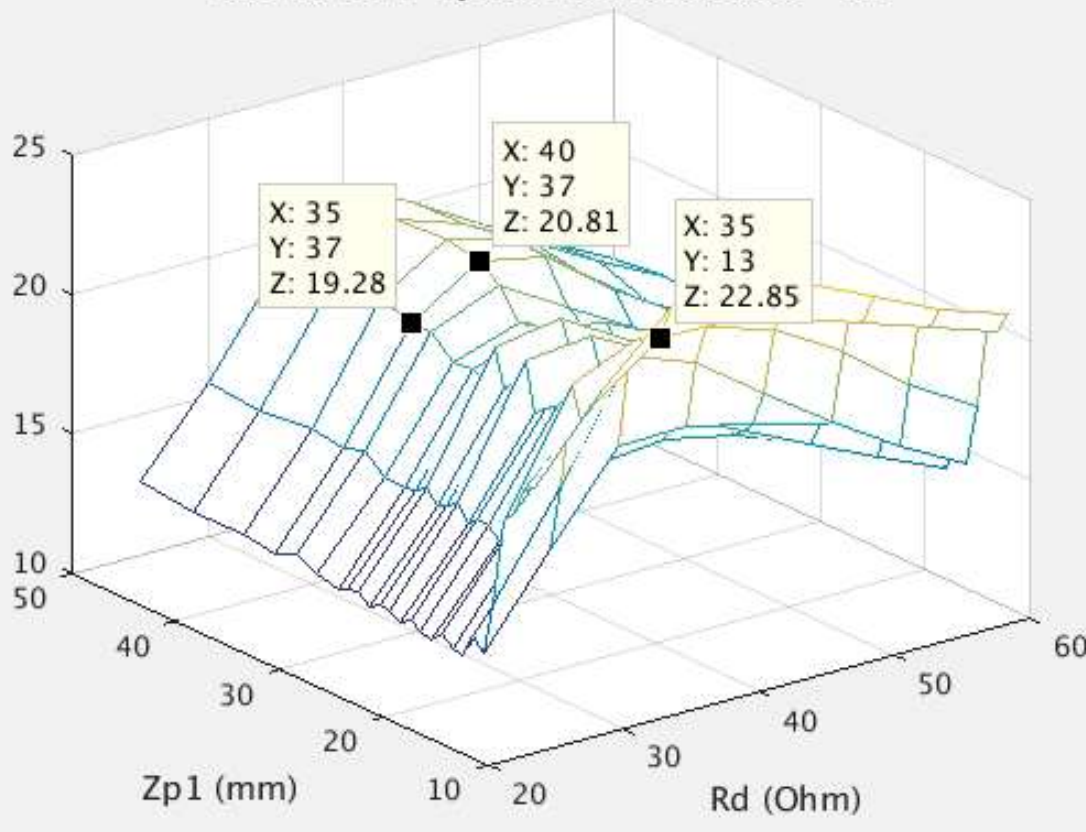
ERL vs. $R_d + Z_{p1}$ for different $N_{bx} = 24$



- ❑ ERL is sensitive to PKG length
- ❑ Option 1: $ERL_{min} = 20.5$ dB
 - For $Z_{p1} \leq 31$ mm: not sensitive to R_d , even 30% variation
 - For $Z_{p1} > 31$ mm: easy to have False Fail case
- ❑ Option 2: $ERL_{min} = 15.5$ dB
 - May easily to have False Pass cases even impedance discontinuity is large
- ❑ Similar observations for sweeping Z_{c1} & Z_{c2}

ERL Sensitivity with $N_{bx} = 12 - R_d$

ERL vs. $R_d + Z_{p1}$ for different $N_{bx} = 12$



- $ERL_{min} = 14$ dB
 - For $Z_{p1} \leq 15$ mm: doesn't reflect capability of floating-tap
 - For $Z_{p1} > 15$ mm: sensitive to R_d variation
- Similar observations for sweeping Z_{c1} & Z_{c2}

Summary

- There are pros & cons for the following 3 N_{bx} settings

Nbx	ERLmin (dB)	Pros	Cons
12	14 dB	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Sensitive to imp.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ignore 'floating-tap'
24	Opt. 1: 20.5 dB	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Consider 'floating-tap'	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Not sensitive to imp.Not cover long PKG > 31 mm
	Opt. 2: 15.5 dB		<ul style="list-style-type: none">False pass risk
40	22.5 dB	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Consider 'floating-tap'	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Not sensitive to imp.False pass riskERL sensitive to test fixture variation

- Next step
 - Correlation COM vs. TP0 ERL specs
 - Check sensitivity of ERL to impedance mismatch
 - Check ERL reflects floating-tap capability



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COM Settings – ERL Calculation

Table 93A-1 parameters			
Parameter	Setting	Units	Information
f_b	53.125	Gbd	
f_min	0.05	GHz	
Delta_f	0.01	GHz	
C_d	[1.2e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]
L_s	[0.12, 0]	nH	[TX RX]
C_b	[0.3e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]
z_p select	[1 2]		[test cases to run]
z_p (TX)	[12 31; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (NEXT)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (FEXT)	[12 31; 1.8 1.8]	mm	[test cases]
z_p (RX)	[0 0; 0 0]	mm	[test cases]
C_p	[0.87e-4 0]	nF	[TX RX]
R_0	50	Ohm	
R_d	[50 50]	Ohm	[TX RX]
A_v	0.39	V	vp/vf=.694
A_fe	0.39	V	vp/vf=.694
A_ne	0.578	V	
L	4		
M	32		
filter and Eq			
f_r	0.75	*fb	
c(0)	0.54		min
c(-1)	[-0.34:0.02:0]		[min:step:max]
c(-2)	[0:0.02:0.12]		[min:step:max]
c(-3)	[-0.06:0.02:0]		[min:step:max]
c(1)	[-0.2:0.05:0]		[min:step:max]
N_b	12	UI	
b_max(1)	0.85		
b_max(2..N_b)	0.2		
g_DC	[-20:1:0]	dB	[min:step:max]
f_z	21.25	GHz	
f_p1	21.25	GHz	
f_p2	53.125	GHz	
g_DC_HP	[-6:1:0]		[min:step:max]
f_HP_PZ	0.6640625	GHz	

I/O control		
DIAGNOSTICS	1	logical
DISPLAY_WINDOW	0	logical
CSV_REPORT	1	logical
RESULT_DIR	.\results\100GEL_KR_{date}\	
SAVE_FIGURES	1	logical
Port Order	[2 1 4 3]	
RUNTAG	KR_eval_	
COM_CONTRIBUTION	0	logical
Operational		
COM Pass threshold	3	dB
ERL Pass threshold	10	dB
DER_0	1.00E-04	
T_r	6.16E-03	ns
FORCE_TR	1	logical
Include PCB	0	logical
TDR and ERL options		
TDR	1	logical
ERL	1	logical
ERL_ONLY	0	logical
TR_TDR	0.01	ns
N	2000	
beta_x	2.34E+09	
rho_x	0.3	
fixture delay time	1.56E-09	s
TDR_W_TXPKG	1	
N_bx	12	UI
Receiver testing		
RX_CALIBRATION	0	logical
Sigma BBN step	5.00E-03	v
Noise_jitter		
sigma_RJ	0.01	UI
A_DD	0.02	UI
eta_0	8.20E-09	V^2/GHz
SNR_TX	33	dB
R_LM	0.95	

Table 93A? parameterrs		
Parameter	Setting	Units
package_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.0009909 0.0002772]	
package_tl_tau	6.141E-03	ns/mm
package_Z_c	[87.5 87.5 ; 92.5 92.5]	Ohm

Table 92?2 parameters 5.2dB at 26.56GHz		
Parameter	Setting	
board_tl_gamma0_a1_a2	[0 0.000599 0.0001022]	1.286 dB/in or 0.0506 dB/mm at 100 ohms
board_tl_tau	6.200E-03	ns/mm
board_Z_c	90	Ohm
z_bp (TX)	102.7	mm
z_bp (NEXT)	102.7	mm
z_bp (FEXT)	102.7	mm
z_bp (RX)	102.7	mm

Floating Tap Control		
N_bg	3	0 1 2 or 3 groups
N_bf	3	taps per group
N_f	40	UI span for floating taps
bmaxg	0.05	max DFE value for floating taps

yellow indicates WIP		
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