Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4**   *P* **22**   *L* **40**   # R1-1

Stassar, Peter   Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd

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

Concerns have been raised about the actual need for a definition for DWDM system, which can be regarded as generic and not specific. One potential option is to delete this definition or alternatively we would need a rewrite

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the definition for DWDM system

Response   *Response Status* **C**

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.35b**   *P* **22**   *L* **9**   # R1-16

Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

Since this is the first use of DP-DQPSK it should be expanded

SuggestedRemedy

Expand DP-DQPSK to dual polarization differential quadrature phase shift keying (DP-DQPSK)

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.160a**   *P* **22**   *L* **14**   # R1-5

Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

"black link" refers to a method of link specification, not the link itself.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the definition for "black link". In its place, insert "black link methodology - the specification of the input, output, and transfer characteristics of the uni-directional transmission path between TP2 to TP3 for a given DWDM channel, without specifying how the transmission path is implemented. (See, for example, IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 154, Figure 154–3)".
Replace all instances of "black link" used as a noun with "DWDM channel" throughout the draft.
Ensure that all instances of "black link" as an adjective use the consistent wording "black link methodology" (rather than "black link approach") throughout the draft.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.160a**   *P* **22**   *L* **15**   # R1-82

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

As D3.0 comment 87 said, the path between PMDs is not from TP2 to TP3 because TP2 is not at the PMD

SuggestedRemedy

Change "between TP2 to TP3" to something else e.g. "between PMDs", "between MDIs", "between PHYs" or "between transmitter and receiver".

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.160a**   *P* **26**   *L* **14**   # R1-50

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

The term Black Link is used to represent the aggregate of DWDM Channels, as well as the methodology to describe the input, output, and transfer characteristics of the uni-directional transmission path between TP2 to TP3 for a given DWDM channel are specified, without specifying how the transmission path is implemented.

It is felt that this will cause future readers confusion.

SuggestedRemedy

Modify term Black Link to Black Link Methodology to focus on the specification methodology, and change definition to - the specification of the input, output, and transfer characteristics of the uni-directional transmission path between TP2 to TP3 for a given DWDM channel within a DWDM Link, without specifying how the transmission path is implemented. (See, for example, IEEE Std 802.3, Clause 154, Figure 154–3)

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.181a**   *P* **26**   *L* **21**   # R1-61

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type **GR**   *Comment Status* **A**

This is a pile-on to comment I-3
Commenter agrees with CRG that comment I-3 should be rejected, but does not fully agree with the provided reasoning for rejecting the comment as being too limited.
I-3 commenter argues that the term "channel spacing" is adequate for use in this standard, and redefining the term to be WDM specific is a bad idea. Commenter also points at the IEE-SA Standards Definition.

The current and only definition of "channel spacing" provided in the IEEE Standards Dictionary Online is - "The difference between the center frequencies of two nonoverlapping and adjacent channels of the radio transmitter." It is clear that the current definition is not applicable, as it is specific to a radio transmitter.

As noted in A.2 Item C of the 2020 IEEE SA Standards Style Manual - New definitions that serve to add a new definition to an existing term(s) of the same name should
be different enough from the other term(s) so as to justify the addition. Having more than two or three acceptable definitions for any term is discouraged.

THerefore, as noted, in the comment, this definition is an industry accepted term and the definition is referenced back to ITU-T G.694.1

SuggestedRemedy

Make no change to document.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The CRG agrees with the commentor but notes that the last sentence of the comment cites "the comment" but should have cited "the response".

Make no change to the draft.

Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.237a**   *P* **22**   *L* **31**   # R1-6

Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

Since "DWDM channel" will replace most instances of "black link" as a noun, clarify that the behavior of a DWDM channel is specified using the black link methodology.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a sentence to the end of the definition of "DWDM channel" to read "The input, output, and transfer characteristics of the uni-directional transmission path between TP2 and TP3 for a DWDM channel are specified using the black link methodology."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.237a**   *P* **26**   *L* **31**   # R1-47

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

Definition of DWDM Channel can be improved.

SuggestedRemedy

The transmission path between a DWDM PHY transmitting (TP2) to another DWDM PHY receiving (TP3).

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **1**　　　*SC* **1.4.237b**　　　*P* **22**　　　*L* **34**　　　# R1-7

Trowbridge, Stephen　　　　　　Nokia

Comment Type **ER**　　*Comment Status* **A**

"DWDM link" is an unnecessary term, which usually has identical meaning to "DWDM channel" where it is used in the draft.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the definition for DWDM link. Related changes to the draft are covered in other comments.

Response　　　　　　　*Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **1**　　　*SC* **1.4.237b**　　　*P* **26**　　　*L* **34**　　　# R1-48

D'Ambrosia, John　　　　　　Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

The definition of DWDM Link should not include the DWDM PHYs to align with ITU-T use of the term DWDM Link.

SuggestedRemedy

Change definition of DWDM Link to
DWDM Link – an aggregate of DWDM channels over either a single optical fiber or a single optical fiber per direction

This effectively changes the naming of the "gray box" , ie everything between TP2 and TP3 for all channels, from Black link to DWDM link - therefore all instances of the term Black link used to describe everything between TP2 and TP3 (and not the Black Link methodology) should be replaced with term DWDM link.

Response　　　　　　　*Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.237c**   *P* **22**   *L* **37**   # R1-8

Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

DWDM PHY is an unnecessary and misleading definition. The reference points adjacent to the PHY (TP2 and TP3) are single-channel reference points with no DWDM present. The fact that the transmission paths (DWDM channels) used by multiple PHYs may be combined using DWDM in the middle of the link doesn't need to be reflected in how the PHY is named.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the definition DWDM PHY. Replace "DWDM PHY" with "100GBASE-ZR PHY" throughout the draft.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.237d**   *P* **22**   *L* **40**   # R1-9

Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

"DWDM System" is an unnecessary term.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the definition for "DWDM System". Related changes covered in other comments.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.237d**   *P* **26**   *L* **40**   # R1-49

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

The proposed modification of DWDM Link will impact the definition of DWDM System.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete definition if definition of DWDM Link is modfied.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **1**   *SC* **1.4.400a**   *P* **22**   *L* **45**   # R1-10

Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

The definition of DWDM link is removed by another comment, but isn't really necessary for the definition of polarization dependent loss

SuggestedRemedy

Change the definition of polarization dependent loss to "The variation of insertion loss due to variation of the state of polarization of an optical signal over all states of polarization within the channel frequency or wavelength range."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

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Cl **30**   *SC* **30.5.1.1.2**   *P* **29**   *L* **8**   # R1-11

Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

Remove deleted definition "DWDM system" from explanation of 100GBASE-ZR aMAUType

SuggestedRemedy

Change "100GBASE-R PCS/100GBASE-ZR PMA over a DWDM system PMD with reach up to at least 80 km as specified in Clause 154" to "100GBASE-R PCS/100GBASE-ZR PMA over a PMD with reach up to 80km as specified in Clause 154"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-1.

Response to comment R1-1 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Cl **30**   *SC* **30.5.1.1.28**   *P* **28**   *L* **13**   # R1-17

Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

Missing an 's' in supports

SuggestedRemedy

Change from: "A read-only value that indicates if a PHY that support RS-FEC at the MDI…" to: "A read-only value that indicates if a PHY that supports RS-FEC at the MDI…"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **30**   *SC* **30.5.1.1.28**   *P* **28**   *L* **14**   # R1-18

Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

There should be a clear specification of what value the attribute takes for a PHY that does not support RS-FEC at the MDI.

SuggestedRemedy

Add text to clarify - either indicate the value that the attribute takes for PHYs that don't support RS-FEC at the MDI, or indicate that the attribute doesn't apply to such PHYs.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a new second sentence in the BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS: section "For a PHY that does not support RS-FEC at the MDI, this attribute is not applicable."

Cl **30**   *SC* **30.5.1.1.29**   *P* **28**   *L* **30**   # R1-19

Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

Missing an 's' in supports

SuggestedRemedy

Change from: "A read-only value that indicates if a PHY that support RS-FEC at the MDI…" to: "A read-only value that indicates if a PHY that supports RS-FEC at the MDI…"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **30**   *SC* **30.5.1.1.29**   *P* **28**   *L* **31**   # R1-20

Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

There should be a clear specification of what value the attribute takes for a PHY that does not support RS-FEC at the MDI.

SuggestedRemedy

Add text to clarify - either indicate the value that the attribute takes for PHYs that don't support RS-FEC at the MDI, or indicate that the attribute doesn't apply to such PHYs.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a new second sentence in the BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS: section "For a PHY that does not support RS-FEC at the MDI, this attribute is not applicable."

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Cl **30**　　*SC* **30.5.1.1.30**　　*P* **28**　　*L* **47**　　# R1-21

Huber, Thomas　　　　　　　Nokia

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

Missing an 's' in supports

SuggestedRemedy

Change from: "A read-only value that indicates if a PHY that support RS-FEC at the MDI…"
to: "A read-only value that indicates if a PHY that supports RS-FEC at the MDI…"

Response　　　　　*Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **30**　　*SC* **30.5.1.1.30**　　*P* **28**　　*L* **48**　　# R1-22

Huber, Thomas　　　　　　　Nokia

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

There should be a clear specification of what value the attribute takes for a PHY that does not support RS-FEC at the MDI.

SuggestedRemedy

Add text to clarify - either indicate the value that the attribute takes for PHYs that don't support RS-FEC at the MDI, or indicate that the attribute doesn't apply to such PHYs.

Response　　　　　*Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a new second sentence in the BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS: section "For a PHY that does not support RS-FEC at the MDI, this attribute is not applicable."

Cl **45**　　*SC* **45.2.1.1.133a.1**　　*P* **33**　　*L* **30**　　# R1-23

Huber, Thomas　　　　　　　Nokia

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

A channel index corresponds to a single (center) frequency

SuggestedRemedy

Change from: "The channel index number indicates the corresponding optical frequencies"
to: "The channel index number indicates the corresponding optical frequency."

Response　　　　　*Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **45**　　*SC* **45.2.1.1.133e.2**　　*P* **37**　　*L* **39**　　# R1-24

Huber, Thomas　　　　　　　Nokia

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

A channel index corresponds to a single (center) frequency

SuggestedRemedy

Change from: "The channel index number indicates the corresponding optical frequencies"
to: "The channel index number indicates the corresponding optical frequency."

Response　　　　　*Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **45**　　*SC* **45.2.1.186aa**　　*P* **41**　　*L* **22**　　# R1-78

Dawe, Piers J G　　　　　　NVIDIA

Comment Type **E**　　*Comment Status* **R**

"1 = IFEC decoder does not indicate errors" gave me the impression that it meant that there are no errors to be indicated - until I saw that this was a RO bit in a control register.

SuggestedRemedy

To make this clearer, please change:
1 = IFEC decoder does not indicate errors
0 = IFEC decoder indicates errors
to
1 = IFEC decoder does not indicate any FEC errors
0 = IFEC decoder indicates any FEC errors

Response　　　　　*Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

The existing language is consistent with Table 45-88 and these are not FEC errors, they are errors that occurred coming across the link preceding the sublayer. This bit is essentially do you want the FEC (or IFEC) sublayer to tell you about incoming errors.

Cl **80**　　*SC* **80.2.2**　　*P* **56**　　*L* **2**　　# R1-80

Dawe, Piers J G　　　　　　NVIDIA

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

Clause 82 PCSs ... transfer the encoded data to the PMA.

SuggestedRemedy

Clause 82 PCSs ... transfer the encoded data to the PMA or FEC

Response　　　　　*Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

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Cl **153**   *SC* **153.2.3.2.4**   *P* **88**   *L* **30**   # R1-85

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

  Some text in Fig 153-3 is too small.

SuggestedRemedy

  Make the smallest text (MFAS and column numbers) the same size as the other text (this will make row 0 deeper, and that's OK).

Response   *Response Status* **C**

  ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

  Make all rows in the figure modestly higher so that the point size for MFAS can be increased to at least 7pt (currently 5pt).
  Making the height of the rows unequal, or making the size of FAS (6 octets) and MFAS disproportionate to each other could lead to confusion or misinterpretation.

Cl **153**   *SC* **153.2.3.2.5**   *P* **91**   *L* **37**   # R1-77

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

  Before a file containing an example SC-FEC codeword is published at http://standards.ieee.org/downloads/802.3/ and before this project can complete, it needs to be reviewed. If reviewers do not agree on its correctness and consistency with the draft, one or both of draft and file would need to be re-issued and reviewed again.

SuggestedRemedy

  Upload a draft file for review, e.g. in the P802.3ct web area, before the penultimate draft or at the same time at the latest.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

  ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

  See response to comment R1-62.

  The response to comment R1-62 was:

  ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

  Delete the note including the URL at the end of sub-clause 153.2.3.2.5.

Cl **153**   *SC* **153.2.3.2.5**   *P* **91**   *L* **37**   # R1-76

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

  While the hyperlink appears to point to the right place, it doesn't seem right

SuggestedRemedy

  Correct the hyperlink

Response   *Response Status* **C**

  ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

  See response to comment R1-62.

  The response to comment R1-62 was:

  ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

  Delete the note including the URL at the end of sub-clause 153.2.3.2.5.

Cl **153**   *SC* **153.2.3.2.5**   *P* **100**   *L* **37**   # R1-62

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type   **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

  Note reads - A file containing an example SC-FEC codeword is available at http://standards.ieee.org/downloads/802.3/

  There is no file at the provided link. It is understood that this note was added in anticipation of a document being provided.

SuggestedRemedy

  If no contribution is provided to be used at the URL - then the note and link will need to be deleted

Response   *Response Status* **C**

  ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

  Delete the note including the URL at the end of sub-clause 153.2.3.2.5.

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Cl **153**   *SC* **153.2.3.2.7**   *P***92**   *L***40**   # R1-25

Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

Missing an article before FEC frame

SuggestedRemedy

Change from: "51 groups of 16 octets are distributed from FEC frame." to: "51 groups of 16 octets are distributed from the FEC frame."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.1**   *P***105**   *L***8**   # R1-26

Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

Duplication of "fiber based", and missing a hyphen

SuggestedRemedy

Change from: "which is a single-mode fiber based fiber based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel." to: "which is a single-mode fiber-based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.1**   *P***105**   *L***8**   # R1-31

Schmitt, Matthew   Cable Television Laboratories Inc. (CableLabs)

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

The phrase "fiber based" is repeated in the first sentence of the subclause, most likely due to a copy/paste error: "fiber based fiber based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel"

SuggestedRemedy

Delete one instance of "fiber based" in that sentence.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-26.

The response to comment R1-26 was:
ACCEPT

The suggested Remedy to comment R1-26 was:

Change from: "which is a single-mode fiber based fiber based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel." to: "which is a single-mode fiber-based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel."

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Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

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

"fiber based" repeated twice

SuggestedRemedy

change "fiber based fiber based" to "fiber based"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-26.

The response to comment R1-26 was:

ACCEPT.

The suggested remedy to comment R1-26 was:

Change from: "which is a single-mode fiber based fiber based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel." to: "which is a single-mode fiber-based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel."

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Cl **154**   *SC* **154.1**   *P* **114**   *L* **8**   # R1-51

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

Redundant wording - which is a single-mode fiber based fiber based dense wavelength

SuggestedRemedy

deleted second instance of "fiber based"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-26.

The response to comment R1-26 was:
ACCEPT

The suggested Remedy to comment R1-26 was:
Change from: "which is a single-mode fiber based fiber based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel." to: "which is a single-mode fiber-based dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) channel."

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.1**   *P* **115**   *L* **16**   # R1-45

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

Fig 154-1 is wrong. The line between the bottom of the physical layer in relation to the Ethernet stack is incorrectt. The bottom of the physical layer should be at the MDI / medium border

SuggestedRemedy

Redraw Fig 154-1 where the line at the bottom of the physical layer lines up with the MDI / medium border

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise need to be made in Maintenance.

Implement remedy with editorial license.

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Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

String search doesn't find Tx_Rx_diff_opt_chan_ability

SuggestedRemedy

Select table, adjust column widths to contents. There's a menu item in Frame for doing just that.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.
However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise need to be made in Maintenance.

Implement remedy with editorial license.

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Issenhuth, Tom   Issenhuth Consulting, LLC,Huawei Technologies Co.,

Comment Type **E**   *Comment Status* **R**   *Bucket*

The PMA/PMD register name for "Tx Rx different optical channel ability" is incorrect as "Rx optical channel control register".

SuggestedRemedy

Replace the PMA/PMD register name with "Tx Rx different optical channel ability".

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

The text in question is in the column headed "PMA/PMD register name" for bit 1.820.15. This bit is in register 1.820, which is defined in 45.2.1.133e as the "Rx optical channel control register". Consequently, the text in D3.1 is correct as it is.

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Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

154.5, PMD functional specifications, should introduce or define all the PMD control and status variables

SuggestedRemedy

Add text for the missing PMD control and status variables such as Tx_optical_channel_index, Rx optical channel index, Tx_index_ability_i, Tx_Rx_diff_opt_chan_ability, Rx_index_ability_i .

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

The variables mentioned in the remedy are clarified in Clause 45 and subclause 154.6

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Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

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

"Fixing the value of SIGNAL_DETECT from the PMD sublayer at OK allows the upper layers to determine whether a valid signal is being received, e.g., according to the ability to acquire frame alignment."

This sentence does not make sense. The upper layers can "determine whether a valid signal is being received" regardless of the value of SIGNAL_DETECT; this is not the reason that SIGNAL_DETECT is fixed to OK. In fact, in this PHY the SC-FEC (a specific upper layer) is required to make this determination, as specified in 153.2.1 - so "ability to acquire frame alignment" is not a mere example.

The change of this subclause from the previous draft requires a clear statement that the signal detect functionality is the responsibility of the SC-FEC sublayer.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the quoted sentence to

"The presence of a valid signal is determined only by the SC-FEC sublayer (see 153.2.1)".

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement remedy with editorial license.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.6**   *P* **111**   *L* **17**   # R1-27

Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

Missing a comma

SuggestedRemedy

Change from: "...also referred to as a DWDM channel which is defined..." to::" .also referred to as a DWDM channel, which is defined."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Overtaken by events, see response to comment R1-46.

Response to comment R1-46 is:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Stassar, Peter   Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

During the review of comments to D3.0 it was agreed to add some text on bi-directional operation. Unfortanately the editor omitted to do that. Need to add text

SuggestedRemedy

Add "Furthermore bi-directional transmission over the multi-channel fiber inside the black link is not precluded." to the Note on line 43 of page 111 in 154.6 and additionally add "Bi-directional transmission over the multi-channel fiber inside the black link is not precluded" to Figure 154-3

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For the relevant text in 154.6 and Figure 154-3 implement slides 5 and 6 of https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

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Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

Second paragraph would read better if the first sentence was split into two.

SuggestedRemedy

Change from:
"Because in this application DWDM technology is used to transport multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber, a black link specification methodology is used to allow specification of the (single channel) DWDM
channel in a way that the effects of other DWDM channels, simultaneously present on the multi-channel part of the link, have been taken into account."

 to:

"In this application, DWDM technology is used to enable the transport of multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber. A black link specification methodology is used to allow specification of the (single) DWDM channel in a way that takes into account the effects of other DWDM channels that may be simultaneously present on the multi-channel part of the link."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change from:
"Because in this application DWDM technology is used to transport multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber, a black link specification methodology is used to allow specification of the (single channel) DWDM
channel in a way that the effects of other DWDM channels, simultaneously present on the multi-channel part of the link, have been taken into account."

 to:

"In this application, DWDM technology is used to enable the transport of multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber. A black link approach is used to allow specification of the (single) DWDM channel in a way that takes into account the effects of other DWDM channels that may be simultaneously present on the multi-channel part of the link."

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Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

Third and fourth paragraphs would read better if they were combined and reorganized.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace the paragraphs with this text: Figure 154-3 shows a generic example of a DWDM channel specified using the black link methodology and identifies the location of the single channel interfaces at TP2 and TP3.   The DWDM channel includes wavelength division multiplexing and demultiplexing supporting simultaneous transport of a maximum of n DWDM channels on a single fiber, and may also include optical amplification. The grey-shaded box in Figure 154-3 is used to indicate that the implementation details of the DWDM channel are outside the scope of this clause. The arrangement of (DWDM) elements within the figure is not intended to place constraints on the construction of the link.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-2.

Response to comment R1-2 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For the relevant text in 154.6 and Figure 154-3 implement slides 5 and 6 of https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

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Maki, Jeffery   Juniper Networks, Inc.

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

The project objectives include, "Provide a physical layer specification supporting 100 Gb/s operation on a single wavelength capable of at least 80 km over a DWDM system." The draft defines DWDM system. See "Clause 1.4.237d DWDM system: An aggregate of DWDM links optically multiplexed and demultiplexed onto and off either a single optical fiber or a single optical fiber per direction." The text on line 27 of page 111 says, "Figure 154-3 shows a generic example of a black link." However, upon inspection, the example is not generic with respect to the definition of DWDM system. It depicts only one of the two cases. It depicts the case of "single optical fiber per direction." The case of "single optical fiber," which would correspond to bi-direction propagation over a single fiber, is not depicted. Accommodation is made in the draft for the Tx and Rx wavelengths of the PMD to be different to support bi-directional propagation with distinct wavelengths.

SuggestedRemedy

Expand Figure 154-3 to include the case of a DWDM system using a "single optical fiber" for both directions in addition to the single optical fiber per direction that is already depicted. Expand test describing Fig. 154-3 to cover the addition.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-2.

Response to comment R1-2 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

"black link" will have been changed to "DWDM channel" by an earlier comment. The term "DWDM link" is removed by another comment.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Functions carried out by the DWDM link are ." to "Functions that may be contained within the DWDM channel include ."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

The term DWDM link is proposed to remove by another comment

SuggestedRemedy

Change "DWDM link" to "DWDM channel"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the changes on slides 2 and 3 of https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0218/issenhuth_3ct_02_210218.pdf with editorial license.

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Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

Figure 154-3 inconsistent with terminology update resulting from other comments.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the words "Black link" from the grey box in Figure 154-3. Change the figure title to "DWDM channel example configuration"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-2.

Response to comment R1-2 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For the relevant text in 154.6 and Figure 154-3 implement slides 5 and 6 of https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

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Trowbridge, Stephen   Nokia

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

Reword the paragraph following Figure 154-3 to avoid the use of deleted terms "DWDM link" and "DWDM system"

SuggestedRemedy

Change the paragraph following Figure 154-3 to read:
"The 100GBASE-ZR PMD is specified for operation over a single DWDM channel. An individual DWDM channel operates on a frequency selected from the DWDM frequency grid defined by Table 154-5, which shows the mapping of 100GBASE_ZR channel index numbers to optical channel center frequencies. This grid corresponds to a subset of the DWDM frequency grid with 100 GHz spacing defined by Recommendation ITU-T G.694.1. The DWDM infrastructure may support between 1 and 48 DWDM channels, each operating on a different frequency. For a given DWDM channel, the 100GBASE-ZR Tx, the associated DWDM channel, and the 100GBASE-ZR Rx are configured to support the same channel center frequency.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Huber, Thomas   Nokia

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

The grid that is defined for use by 100GBASE-ZR is a 48-channel subset of what G.694.1 specifies for 100 GHz spacing. While a deployment may use fewer than 48 channels, and thus have larger than 100 GHz spacing, there is no reason to discuss the channel spacing that the infrastructure supports

SuggestedRemedy

Replace: This grid corresponds to the DWDM frequency grid defined by Recommendation ITU-T G.694.1. The 100GBASE-ZR PMD specification covers a maximum of 48
channels over a DWDM system, supporting between 1 and 48 channels, with a channel spacing of at least
100 GHz.
With:
This grid corresponds to a subset of the DWDM frequency grid with 100 GHz spacing that is defined by Recommendation ITU-T G.694.1. The DWDM infrastructure may support between 1 and 48 channels.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-55.

Response to comment R1-55 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In the second to last paragraph of 154.6 change existing text to the text shown on slide 12 of   https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

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Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

What variable?

SuggestedRemedy

Please add cross-reference to 154.5 (new section(s)) where variables such as Tx_optical_channel_index, Rx_optical_channel_index and Tx_Rx_diff_opt_chan_ability are introduced/defined.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.
However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise need to be made in Maintenance.

In 154.6 include a reference to the definition of the mentioned variables in 154.5. With editorial license.

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Cl **154**	*SC* **154.6**	*P*121	*L*7	# R1-40	

Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

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

(Subcluase number is from the clean document - it appears as 154.7 in the diff document)

"Because in this application DWDM technology is used to transport multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber, a black link specification methodology is used to allow specification of the (single channel) DWDM channel in a way that the effects of other DWDM channels, simultaneously present on the multi-channel part of the link, have been taken into account."

This is a long and awkward statement. With all the relative clauses, commas, and parentheses, it is difficult to understand the logic and the intent. Rephrasing may make it easier for the reader.

SuggestedRemedy

Change this sentence to

"In this application, DWDM technology is used to transport multiple channels over a single fiber. To specify a single DWDM channel in a way that the accounts for effects of other DWDM channels simultaneously present on the multi-channel part of the link, a black link specification methodology is used."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-28.

The response to comment R1-28 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change from:
"Because in this application DWDM technology is used to transport multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber, a black link specification methodology is used to allow specification of the (single channel) DWDM channel in a way that the effects of other DWDM channels, simultaneously present on the multi-channel part of the link, have been taken into account."

 to:

"In this application, DWDM technology is used to enable the transport of multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber. A black link approach is used to allow specification of the (single) DWDM channel in a way that takes into account the effects of other DWDM channels that may be simultaneously present on the multi-channel part of the link."

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Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

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

(Subcluase number is from the clean document - it appears as 154.7 in the diff document)

"The 100GBASE-ZR PMD specification covers a maximum of 48 channels over a DWDM system, supporting between 1 and 48 channels, with a channel spacing of at least 100 GHz."

This sentence reads as if a 100GBASE-ZR link can span multiple channels in a DWDM system. I assume this is not the intent.

"In a working DWDM link, the combination of a 100GBASE-ZR Tx, the associated DWDM channel, and a 100GBASE-ZR Rx are configured to support the same channel center frequency."

This should probably read 100GBASE-ZR link, and the same center frequency should be used, not just supported.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the quoted sentences to

"The 100GBASE-ZR PMD can use one of 48 channels (specified by center frequency) over a DWDM system, where the channel spacing is at least 100 GHz. In a working 100GBASE-ZR link, the 100GBASE-ZR Tx, the associated DWDM channel, and the 100GBASE-ZR Rx are all configured to have the same channel center frequency."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-55.

Response to comment R1-55 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In the second to last paragraph of 154.6 change existing text to the text shown on slide 12 of https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

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D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

Updated text for this subclause has essentially modified the defintion / name of the medium for the PHY, which disagrees with the defintion 1.4.237a DWDM channel.

Text in 154.7 reads - The medium associated with the 100GBASE-ZR PMD is also referred to as a DWDM channel which is defined as the transmission path on a single wavelength/frequency (referred to either by channel index number or channel center frequency) on a defined frequency grid between a DWDM PHY transmitting to another DWDM PHY over a black link."

Furthermore, the heading of the subclause has now been modified and indicates the new medium to be The DWDM Channel over a black link. The medium is the DWDM channel. There was no agreement to change the definition.

SuggestedRemedy

1. In Figure 154-1, modify "ZR = PMD FOR DWDM CHANNEL OVER A BLACK LINK" to "ZR = PMD FOR DWDM CHANNEL"
2. Change heading of 154.7 back to "The DWDM channel"
3. Modify noted sentence in comment to "The medium associated with the 100GBASE-ZR PMD is also referred to as a DWDM
channel which is defined as the transmission path on a single wavelength/frequency (referred to either by
channel index number or channel center frequency) on a defined frequency grid between a DWDM PHY
transmitting to another DWDM PHY.

The provided text in #3 is based on D3.1. Commenter will be submitting additional comment to address refinement of defintion of DWDM Channel, which may result in having to modify #3 above.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

Fig 154--4 is labeled as an example configuration of the black link approach - which according to the draft is not intended to place any constraints on the implementation inside. Therefore, the best way to not place any constraints on the contents would be to not show anything within the box.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete all content within the gray box area of Fig 154-4. Change the blox to solid black. Label inside the box "DWDM Link" in white font.
Furthermore, it would be helpful if one diagram illustrated all signals going in one direction as shown, but then showing a second figure with Tx / Rx on both sides of the DWDM link. The current Fig 154-4 is best used as an example of the types of DWDM links supported, and could be moved to the information annex 154A.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-2.

Response to comment R1-2 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For the relevant text in 154.6 and Figure 154-3 implement slides 5 and 6 of https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

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D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

Sentence states
"The 100GBASE-ZR PMD is specified on the assumption that it is part of a DWDM system where on the multichannel part inside the black link multiple DWDM optical signals are present, each sourced by a separate 100GBASE-ZR transmitter."
Three issues
1. Replace DWDM system with DWDM link
2. Appropriate operation of 100GBASE-ZR could be a single channel, and does not have to support multiple DWDM channels
3. Clarity of sentence could be improved

SuggestedRemedy

Reword paragraph
Each DWDM channel in a DWDM link supports unidirectional transmission between a pair of 100GBASE-ZR PMDs. Full duplex operation between a pair of 100GBASE-ZR PMDs will require two DWDM channels.   Each DWDM channel operates on a DWDM frequency grid, defined by Table 154-6, which shows the mapping of the 100GBASE-ZR channel index numbers to the optical channel center frequencies. This grid corresponds to the DWDM frequency grid defined by Recommendation ITU-T G.694.1. The channel center frequency of the 100GBASE-ZR PMD transmitting and 100GBASE-ZR PMD receiving should be selected to support the same channel center frequency as the DWDM channel to which the two 100GBASE-ZR PMDs are connected.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In the second to last paragraph of 154.6 change existing text to the text shown on slide 12 of   https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

Cl **154**	*SC* **154.7**	*P* **122**	*L* **37**	# R1-52

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

The following sentence has several problems
1. A 100GBASE-ZR PHY is required to support 1 to 48 channels, so therefore, a valid implementation could support only a single wavelength. Therefore, the use of the word "configured" is problematic for these types of PHY devices. In this instance the user would need to select the PHY that supports the wavelength that matches the desired DWDM channel.
2. A user might interpret the 100GBASE-ZR Rx to be in the same PHY device as the 100GBASE-ZR Tx.

SuggestedRemedy

Suggested rewording - The channel center frequency of the 100GBASE-ZR transmitting and 100GBASE-ZR receiving should be selected to support the same channel center frequency as the DWDM channel to which the two 100GBASE-ZR PHYs are connected.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-55.

Response to comment R1-55 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In the second to last paragraph of 154.6 change existing text to the text shown on slide 12 of   https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

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Cl **154**	*SC* **154.7**	*P* **123**	*L* **48**	# R1-43

Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

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

(Subcluase number is from the clean document - it appears as 154.8 in the diff document)

"The operating range for the 100GBASE-ZR PMD is defined in Table 154-7. A 100GBASE-ZR compliant PMD operates over a black link meeting the specifications in Table 154-12."

Does it make sense to define the operating range of the PMD when the black link methodology is used? a black link can work over ranges larger than 80 km too.

Note that the 80 km in Table 154-7 does not make sense for an unamplified link with a maximum transmit power of 0 dBm (assuming this is what "Average channel output power" means).

SuggestedRemedy

If the text and table in the body of this subclause is kept, please clarify what the range means (I can't provide a detailed remedy).

Consider deleting the text and table (keeping only the subclause hierarchy below 154.7).

Response   *Response Status*   **C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

The operating range of the PMD is necessary to establish appropriate limits for the specification of the DWDM black link in 154.8.

Cl **154**	*SC* **154.7.1**	*P* **114**	*L* **3**	# R1-84

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

With regard to D3.0 comment 58, tolerance to chromatic dispersion was not enforced: optical clauses usually have something like TDP or TDECQ involving a measurement of the transmitted after chromatic dispersion to enforce good transmitter behaviour. I believe EVMrms does not do this, so is there a gap that needs to be filled? Does the maximum spectral excursion provide the necessary protection?

SuggestedRemedy

Ensure that the combination of transmitter and max / min dispersion will deliver a usable signal.

Response   *Response Status*   **U**

REJECT.

The commenter has not provided any evidence that the specification is allowing devices passing the requirements while not operating not satisfactorily in the field for the range of DWDM black links specified.
The technology generally used for DP-DQPSK modulated devices inherently have an extremely high tolerance to chromatic dispersion by design, not requiring the addition of specific parameters. The dispersion limits specified in Table 154-9 for the DWDM black link are a sufficient condition in combination with the optical path penalties specified.

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Cl **154**	*SC* **154.7.1**	*P* **114**	*L* **8**	# R1-69

Zhang, Bo — Inphi Corporation

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

The current table 154-7 transmit characteristics lack the important Tx jitter specification, without which the interoperability cannot be guaranteed.

SuggestedRemedy

Recommend follow the jitter spec methodologies detailed in published 802.3 100GBASE-xx Tx tables. Please refer to an earlier contribution for more background and details.
https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/20_0917/zhang_3cw_01_200917.pdf

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballot. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

The jitter on transmitter specifications on existing PMDs for amplitude modulated signals in in-force clauses has been controlled via the eye mask or TDECQ specification.
In this clause the transmitter jitter is controlled using the EVM specification instead of using eye mask or TDECQ specifications.
Furthermore the contribution mentioned in the remedy makes reference to electrical interface specifications not applicable to the optical PMD in Clause 154.

Cl **154**	*SC* **154.7.1**	*P* **114**	*L* **29**	# R1-88

Dawe, Piers J G — NVIDIA

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

"Power difference between X-Y polarizations": What's an X minus Y polarization?

SuggestedRemedy

Call it "Power difference between polarizations", aligning with G.698.2 which provides the definition. Similarly for "Skew between X-Y polarizations".

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.
However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise need to be made in Maintenance.

Change parameter name to "Power difference between X and Y polarizations" and also change "Skew between X-Y polarizations" to "Skew between X and Y polarizations"

Cl **154**	*SC* **154.7.1**	*P* **124**	*L* **24**	# R1-42

Ran, Adee — Intel Corporation

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

(Subcluase number is from the clean document - it appears as 154.8.1 in the diff document)

The transmit characteristics in Table 154-7 include "Average channel output power", shouldn't it be the transmitter power (at TP2)? The term "channel output" intuitively reads as the output of the DWDM channel (to which the transmitter is not responsible).

Note that 154.9.3 "Average channel output power" refers to "the test setup in Figure 53-6", which is in 53.9.2 "Optical power measurements", and 53.9 states that "All optical measurements shall be made through a short patch cable, between 2 m and 5 m in length." (as does 154.5.1) - so this measurement is at TP2. But it is not clear from the table or the text in this amendment.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "channel output power" to "output power", both in Table 154-7 and in 154.9.3.

If there is a good reason to keep the word "channel", state explicitly in the table "at TP2".

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

The parameter name "channel output power" is consistent with accepted industry terminology, such as in-force Recommendation ITU-T G.698.2 and there is no technical need to make a change. The reference to "channel" in "channel output power" is relevant because of the inherent connection to DWDM channels. Furthermore all transmitter parameters are specified at TP2 by default.

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Cl **154**   *SC* **154.7.1**   *P***124**   *L***42**   # R1-63

Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

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

(Subcluase number is from the clean document - it appears as 154.8.1 in the diff document)

Error vector magnitude (max) can be interpreted as a peak value. But EVM is defined in G.698.2 as an RMS value.

The definition in 154.8.1 does not include RMS either. However, 154.9.14 and 154.9.16 mention EVM_RMS (which is what should be used everywhere).

SuggestedRemedy

Change "Error vector magnitude" to "Error vector magnitude (RMS)" and EVM to EVM_RMS (subscript) everywhere.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.
However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise need to be made in Maintenance.

In 154.9.14 and 154.9.16 change "EVMrms" to "error vector magnitude", which is completely consistent with parameter naming in Recommendation ITU-T G.698.2.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.7.2**   *P***115**   *L***18**   # R1-86

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

In Table 154-8, 100GBASE-ZR receive characteristics, there are entries for:
Receiver sensitivity (max) (informative), Receiver OSNR (min), and Receiver OSNR tolerance (not max or min).
154.9.13, Average receive power, says:
The average receive power shall be within the limits given in Table 154-8. These limits define the range of average receiver input power over which the BER requirement must be met at the values of minimum OSNR defined in Table 154-8.
154.9.15, Receiver OSNR, says:
The Receiver OSNR shall be within the limits given in Table 154-8 over the average receive power range specified in Table 154-8. OSNR is defined in 154.9.11.
154.9.16, Receiver OSNR tolerance, says:
Receiver OSNR tolerance shall be within the limit given in Table 154-8 and is defined in Recommendation ITU-T G.698.2...

As the receiver can't choose the OSNR it receives, it seems the entries for "Receiver OSNR (min)" are not specifications for the receiver to meet, as the PICS puts it, but that they are conditions for average receive power (or average receive power are conditions for receiver OSNR), similar to the conditions of a stressed receiver sensitivity test or a receiver interference tolerance test for other PMDs. The "shall" in 154.9.15 is unworkable as the text stands, unlike the "shalls" in 154.7.1 and 154.8 for Transmitter in-band OSNR (min) and OSNR at TP3 (min).

SuggestedRemedy

Combine 154.9.13 and 154.9.15 and make the terminology consistent, e.g.:
In Table 154-8, change "Receiver OSNR (min)" to "Minimum OSNR at TP3". In 154.9.13, change "minimum OSNR" to "minimum OSNR at TP3", and add "OSNR is defined in 154.9.11.". Delete 154.9.15.
Table 154-8 could be clarified, e.g. with a footnote linking average receive power and receiver OSNR, or by putting these rows next to each other.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

See response to comment R1-73.

The response to comment R1-73 was:

REJECT.

The receiver OSNR (min) is an essential performance parameter for the receiver to meet, specified at its input TP3.
This requirement is not only a requirement for the output at TP3 of the DWDM black link. Removing it from the list of receiver parameters will not improve the quality of the draft.

Straw poll was taken:

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I support the proposed response (R1-73):
Yes: 11
No: 3

There was no consensus to make a change.

See response to comment R1-99.

The response to comment R1-99 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement remedy with editorial license.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.7.2**   *P* **115**   *L* **18**   # R1-73

Zhang, Bo   Inphi Corporation

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

Receiver OSNR (min) specs (35dB and 19.5dB) are redundant information as already specified in table 154-9. For example, 35dB min OSNR for average receive power < -16dBm is already specified in line#45 in table 154-9, and 19.5dB min OSNR for power >-16dBm is already specified in line #47-48 in the same table on page 115.
Furthermore, these specs are really link requirements and the naming should be indicating 'link-delivered OSNR' instead of 'Receiver OSNR'

SuggestedRemedy

Recommend completely remove 'Receiver OSNR (min') line specs in table 154-8

Response   *Response Status*   **C**

REJECT.

The receiver OSNR (min) is an essential performance parameter for the receiver to meet, specified at its input TP3.
This requirement is not only a requirement for the output at TP3 of the DWDM black link.
Removing it from the list of receiver parameters will not improve the quality of the draft.

Straw poll was taken:

I support the proposed response (R1-73):
Yes: 11
No: 3

There was no consensus to make a change.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.7.2**   *P* **115**   *L* **21**   # R1-3

Stassar, Peter   Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd

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

In resolution to comment i-42 it was agreed to make new parameter Receiver sensitivity informative. Because Receiver OSNR tolerance is equivalent to Receiver sensitivity it is appropriate to make Receiver OSNR tolerance informative as well.

SuggestedRemedy

In Table 154-8 make Receiver OSNR tolerance "informative" by adding words to note b.

Response   *Response Status*   **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement with editorial license. Also make equivalent changes to 154.9.16 to remove "shall be within the limits". Add new sentence "OSNR tolerance is informative and compliance is not required."

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.7.2**   *P* **115**   *L* **21**   # R1-96

Maniloff, Eric   ciena

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

The optical power for Receiver OSNR Tolerance is not stated.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a footnote, "Receiver OSNR Tolerance must be met for optical powers >= -16dBm"

Response   *Response Status*   **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add under row for Receiver OSNR tolerance "For average receive power >= -16 dBm"

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Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

Comment Type **T**   *Comment Status* **D**

(Subcluase number is from the clean document - it appears as 154.8.2 in the diff document)

Table 154-10 has "Receiver OSNR (min)" and the associated definition in 154.9.15 has a "shall" so it seems that the receiver is required to something. But is OSNR (not OSNR tolerance) a characteristic of the receiver? from the definition of OSNR in 154.9.11 it seems out of the receiver's control.

G.698.2 only defines OSNR tolerance (in 7.4.3). Is anything required from the receiver other than OSNR tolerance?

SuggestedRemedy

Clarify the requirements in 154.9.15, or remove Receiver OSNR (min) from the table and delete 154.9.15.

Proposed Response   *Response Status* **Z**

REJECT.

This comment was WITHDRAWN by the commenter.

Cl **154**	*SC* **154.8**	*P* **115**	*L* **40**	# R1-70

Zhang, Bo   Inphi Corporation

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

for channel spacing line spec, the value and unit are swapped.

SuggestedRemedy

set 100 under the value column and set GHz under the Unit column.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.
However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise need to be made in Maintenance.

Implement remedy.

Cl **154**	*SC* **154.8**	*P* **115**	*L* **49**	# R1-32

Schmitt, Matthew   Cable Television Laboratories Inc. (CableLabs)

Comment Type **E**   *Comment Status* **R**

Given that both "Optical path OSNR penalty (max), for OSNR at TP3 < 35 dB (12.5 GHz)" and "Optical path penalty (max), for OSNR at TP3 >= 35dB (12.5 GHz)" have the same value -- in other words the, the OSNR penalty is the same regardless of the OSNR level -- it seems like these two parameters could be consolidated together into a single parameter and table entry.

SuggestedRemedy

Modify "Optical path OSNR penalty (max), for OSNR at TP3 < 35 dB (12.5 GHz)" to be "Optical path OSNR penalty (max)", and delete the table entry for "Optical path penalty (max), for OSNR at TP3 >= 35dB (12.5 GHz)".

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

Response to comment R1-71 changed "optical path penalty" to "optical path power penalty"

There is a fundamental difference between "Optical path penalty" (now "optical path power penalty") which is an optical power penalty, in contrast to "Optical path OSNR penalty", which is an OSNR penalty due to the optical path.

Cl **154**	*SC* **154.8**	*P* **115**	*L* **51**	# R1-71

Zhang, Bo   Inphi Corporation

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

optical path penalty is a newly defined parameter in the black link table and could be confused with the optical path OSNR penalty for ASE limited link. This new parameter as the way it is defined could be viewed as a superset of optical path OSNR penalty. Also, the 3dB value lacks some data support, and could require more discussion to converge.

SuggestedRemedy

Recommend change the naming of 'optical path penalty' to 'optical path power penalty' or 'optical path receive sensitivity penalty' to be more specific.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change "optical path penalty" to "optical path power penalty"

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Zhang, Bo　　　　　　　　　　Inphi Corporation

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

The unit of fiber chromatic dispersion slope at channel center frequencies (min) is incorrect.

SuggestedRemedy

change from 'ps/nm2km' to 'ps/nm2/km' or 'ps/(nm2*km)'

Response　　　　　　*Response Status*　**C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.
However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise need to be made in Maintenance.

The unit for the slope of fiber chromatic dispersion is completely consistent with existing in-force Clauses, e.g. in the 2018 version of the IEEE 802.3 standard.

Cl **154**　　*SC* **154.8**　　　　*P* **116**　　*L* **18**　　　　# R1-90

Dawe, Piers J G　　　　　　　　NVIDIA

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

This says "The applicable channel center frequencies are specified in Table 154-5", which shows 48 channels, but it is not clear whether a compliant 100GBASE-ZR black link has to comply for all 48 channels, as implied here, or whether a subset is allowed (154A.2 has "an example application of 40 channels").

SuggestedRemedy

Please clarify.

Response　　　　　　*Response Status*　**C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

This already clarified in subclause 154.6.

Cl **154**　　*SC* **154.8..1**　　　*P* **124**　　*L* **47**　　　　# R1-56

D'Ambrosia, John　　　　　　　Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

The transmit characteristics 1)Average launch power of OFF transmitter and 2) transmitter reflectance are not defined in 154.10

SuggestedRemedy

add definitions.

Response　　　　　　*Response Status*　**C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

These parameter names are used in several in-force optical PMD Clauses, without specific definitions.
"Average launch power off transmitter" is a variant of the more generic "Average channel output power".

Cl **154**　　*SC* **154.8.2**　　　*P* **125**　　*L* **31**　　　　# R1-57

D'Ambrosia, John　　　　　　　Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

The receive characteristic receiver reflectance is not defined in 154-10

SuggestedRemedy

add definition

Response　　　　　　*Response Status*　**C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

This parameter name is used in several in-force optical PMD Clauses, without specific definition.

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Issenhuth, Tom   Issenhuth Consulting, LLC,Huawei Technologies Co.,

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

Missing space in "centerfrequency"

SuggestedRemedy

Change to "center frequency"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and
IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.
However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise
need to be made in Maintenance.

Implement remedy.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.9.14**   *P* **119**   *L* **5**   # R1-97

Maniloff, Eric   ciena

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

The definition of Receiver Sensitivity states that it "does not have to be met in the presence
of dispersion or reflections from the optical path". It should clarify that it does not have to
be met for any of the Black Link Impairments.

SuggestedRemedy

Modify Sentence to clarify that the Receiver Sensitivity does not have to be met in the
presence of any of the impairments defined for the Black Link.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement remedy with editorial license.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.9.15**   *P* **116**   *L* **10**   # R1-91

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

This says "DGD (max)" while many other clauses and footnote b say DGD_max.

SuggestedRemedy

Reconcile. E.g., change "Differential group delay, DGD (max)" to "Maximum differential
group delay, DGD_max"

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and
IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.
However, the changes suggested are an improvement to the draft that would otherwise
need to be made in Maintenance.

Change to "Maximum differential group delay, DGD_max"

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.9.15**   *P* **116**   *L* **19**   # R1-92

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

Comment Type **E**   *Comment Status* **R**

This first sentence "Differential Group Delay (DGD) is the time difference at reception
between the fractions of a pulse that were transmitted in the two principal states of
polarization of an optical signal" has been in the definitions (1.4.228) for years; readers
should be used to it by now.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete this first sentence.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and
IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

Implementing the proposed remedy will not improve the quality of the draft.

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Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

I could not find a statement as to whether signals for average receive power and receiver OSNR qualification include chromatic dispersion, interferometric crosstalk, reflections... or not. As the path penalty may be 3 dB, this seems like a large ambiguity. Considering that the numbers in Table 154-8 (receiver) and 154-9 (black link) match, I would think the major ones should be included. D3.0 comment 58 pointed out this or a similar issue.

SuggestedRemedy

Please clarify.
Preferably, explain more fully how this measurement would be done: e.g. that it should be after max / min chromatic dispersion.

Response   *Response Status* **W**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-98.

The response to comment R1-98 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement proposed remedy with editorial license.

Suggested remedy was:

Modify "The Receiver OSNR shall be within the limits given in Table 154-8 over the average receive power range specified in Table 154-8" to indicate that this includes the black link impairments.

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Maniloff, Eric   ciena

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

This section should clearly state that this OSNR tolerance must be met after the black link impairments.

SuggestedRemedy

Modify "The Receiver OSNR shall be within the limits given in Table 154-8 over the average receive power range specified in Table 154-8" to indicate that this includes the black link impairments.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement proposed remedy with editorial license.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.9.15**   *P* **119**   *L* **13**   # R1-99

Maniloff, Eric   ciena

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

The statement does not make clear that this is an OSNR tolerance, rather it sounds like it's what is delivered by the link.

SuggestedRemedy

Modify "The Receiver OSNR shall be within" to "The Receiver shall be able to tolerate an OSNR >= this value."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement remedy with editorial license.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.9.16**   *P* **119**   *L* **18**   # R1-100

Maniloff, Eric   ciena

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

This section does not indicate that the Receiver OSNR tolerance does not need to be met in the presence of the black link optical impairments.

SuggestedRemedy

Add text ti this section indicating that this OSNR Tolerance does not need to be met in the presence of the Black Link impairments.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

The definition includes a reference to Recommendation ITU-T G.698.2 which clearly includes the statement "The receiver OSNR tolerance does not have to be met in the presence of chromatic dispersion, non-linear effects, reflections from the optical path, PMD, PDL or optical crosstalk; these effects are specified separately in the allocation of maximum optical path OSNR penalty."

See also resolution to comment R1-4.

Resolution to comment R1-4 was:

ACCEPT.

Suggested remedy was:

Delete the Note to Receiver OSNR tolerance in 154.9.16

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Stassar, Peter   Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd

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

In resolution to comment i-86 it was agreed to add "the draft should be clarified to state that the OSNR tolerance has to be met with worst case EVM." However, this would apply to all parameters, and could be a precedent to unnecessarily copy material from G.698.2 into Clause 154. The parameter definitions in G.698.2 are quite explicit with respect to worst case EVM. Therefore the Note should be deleted

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the Note to Receiver OSNR tolerance in 154.9.16

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **154**	*SC* **154.9.16**	*P* **119**	*L* **22**	# R1-79

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

With respect to D3.0 comment 85 about jitter bandwidth: there is a jitter bandwidth implied in the EVMrms definition, although it is done in a way that is very specific to a real-time scope, unlike other 802.3 optical clauses. "worst-case values of EVMrms" could mean worst distortion/noise but little jitter or worst jitter but little distortion/noise. Different receivers will react differently to these alternatives.

SuggestedRemedy

Clarify the signal jitter in the definition of receiver OSNR tolerance. It may be that two conditions will be needed, analogous to the stressed sensitivity/RITT and jitter tolerance requirements in other clauses.

Response   *Response Status* **W**

REJECT.

Reference is made to comment 85 IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0, which is about the number of samples N in EVM testing and not about jitter bandwidth.
Therefore this comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballot.
Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

The proposed remedy would imply that the receiver performance would be specified for various different cases of worst case EVM and thus for all kinds of different impairments. This would imply that various transmitter impairments, for instance IQ offset, IQ skew, jitter would need to be specified separately for impact on the receiver performance, which is something the Task Force has not agreed to do for the specification of OSNR tolerance, because it would be virtually impossible to specify the worst case condition.
Related comment I-55 to D3.0 to add clear, specific receiver sensitivity criteria, addressing signal strength, sinusoidal jitter, EVM_RMS, IQ offset, chromatic dispersion, and for the amplified case, OSNR, was rejected by the Task Force after a straw poll was taken: "I support not making any changes to the draft based on this comment."
Y - 19
N - 5
A - 3
As a result it was concluded that there was no consensus to make a change to the document on comment I-55.
Because OSNR tolerance is a parameter similar to receiver sensitivity, except that it applies to low OSNR conditions (lower than 35 dB) in contrast to receiver sensitivity applying to high OSNR conditions (equal to or larger than 35 dB).

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Cl **154**   *SC* **154.9.19**   *P* **119**   *L* **36**   # R1-87

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

Need to specify what receiver would be used.

SuggestedRemedy

Is it the reference receiver in Annex A of G.698.2?

Response   *Response Status* **U**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Modify first sentence of 154.9.19 to:
"The optical path penalty shall be within the limit given in Table 154-9 and is defined as the apparent reduction of receiver sensitivity due to distortion of the signal during its transmission over the DWDM black link, using the reference receiver as defined in Annex A of Recommendation ITU-T G.698.2."

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.10**   *P* **127**   *L* **26**   # R1-58

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

The black link characteristic Fiber chromatic dispersion slope at channel center frequencies is not defined in 154-10

SuggestedRemedy

add definition

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

This comment does not apply to the substantive changes between IEEE P802.3ct/D3.1 and IEEE P802.3ct/D3.0 or the unsatisfied negative comments from the previous ballots. Hence it is not within the scope of the recirculation ballot.

Fiber chromatic dispersion slope is a common fiber parameter, not requiring a definition. Furthermore this parameter is used in many in-force IEEE 802.3 optical PMD Clauses, without specific definition.

Cl **154**   *SC* **154.12.4.6**   *P* **139**   *L* **22**   # R1-65

Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

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

(Subcluase number is from the clean document - it appears as 154.13.4.6 in the diff document)

In "black link requirement", black should be capitalized as a first word (though not in the title).

SuggestedRemedy

Per comment.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Overtaken by events, see response to comment R1-46.

Response to comment R1-46 is:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement the changes on slides 2 and 3 of https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0218/issenhuth_3ct_02_210218.pdf with editorial license.

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Cl **154** *SC* **154-7** *P* **121** *L7* # R1-53

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

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

This statement is problematic -
Because in this application DWDM technology is used to transport multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber.....

While it is true that multiple DWDM channels may happen over a single fiber - 100 Gb/s Ethernet is full duplex - so a 100GBASE-ZR PHY will utilize two DWDM channels, and these two channels may exist on either one fiber or two fibers.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed revision-
DWDM technology allows the transport of multiple DWDM channels over a single fiber. For communication between two 100GBASE-ZR PHYs two channels will be required - one channel in each direction of transmission. These two channels may reside on a single optical fiber or a single fiber per direction. A black link methodology is used to allow specificaiton......
Add two figures showing single direction or bidirection support as noted in next comment

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-2.

Response to comment R1-2 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For the relevant text in 154.6 and Figure 154-3 implement slides 5 and 6 of https://www.ieee802.org/3/ct/public/tf_interim/21_0304/stassar_3ct_01a_210304.pdf, with editorial license.

For Annex 154A implement slides 7 to 9, with editorial license.

Cl **154A** *SC* **154A** *P* **131** *L9* # R1-81

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

This (welcome) annex is not about applications.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to the following (where "black link" could also be omitted as shown by square brackets, by the way):
Examples of 100GBASE-ZR compliant black links"
154A.2 [Black link] examples with OSNR at TP3 between 19.5 dB (12.5 GHz) and 35 dB (12.5 GHz)
For any [black link] distance (twice)
Specifically in an example of 40 channels
154A.3 [Black link] example with OSNR at TP3 greater than or equal to 35 dB (12.5 GHz)
four examples with OSNR at TP3
is not a multi-channel link, but rather a single channel link, and therefore a conventional point-to-point Ethernet link where
Table 154A-2--40 channel example [black link] with OSNR (TP3) >= 35 dB (12.5 GHz)

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change title of Annex 154A to:
"Examples of 100GBASE-ZR compliant DWDM black links".

Furthermore the text under 154A.3 already includes the statement "The example in Table 154A-5 is a separate case, because the black link does not contain an optical multiplexer or optical demultiplexer, so that the fiber plant inside the black link is not a multi-channel link, but rather a single channel link, and therefore a conventional point-to-point Ethernet application where the PMDs at TP2 and TP3 are connected only via a combination of fiber and optical connectors."

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Zhang, Bo   Inphi Corporation

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

The figure 154A-1 is a black link requirement and the current title could be confusing. the Y axis naming lacks TP3 test point and could confuse reader as compared to other parameters such as receive OSNR tolerance, etc.

SuggestedRemedy

Recommend change the Figure 154A-1 title to '100GBASE-ZR link requirements for link-delivered OSNR at TP3 versus link-delivered power at TP3'

Suggest change the Y axis naming to 'link-delivered OSNR at TP3 (dB/12.5GHz)'
Suggest change the X axis naming to 'link-delivered power at TP3 (dBm)'

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change Y axis naming to "OSNR at TP3 dB (12.5 GHz)"

Cl **154A**   *SC* **154A.2**   *P* **132**   *L* **33**   # R1-89

Dawe, Piers J G   NVIDIA

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

For a total black link passive loss of 34 dB, Tx -8 to 0 dBm, Rx -16 to 0 dBm, the net gain must be between -8 to 0 dBm so the amplification must be between 34-8 = 26 and 34-0 = 34 dB unless the link knows or reacts appropriately to the input power, channel by channel -- not 18 to 42 dB.

SuggestedRemedy

Provide more explanation as to how this is to work, or change to the simple conservative example

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Modify the sentence relevant to the comment:
"This suggests an amplification between 18 dB per channel (for the maximum difference between black link input and output power of 16 dB) and 42 dB per channel (for the maximum difference between black link input and output power of -8 dB)."

Exactly how optical amplifiers react to varying operating conditions (power, number of channels, etcetera) is the responsibility of the black link designer and not within the scope of Clause 154.

Cl **154a**   *SC* **154a.2**   *P* **145**   *L* **18**   # R1-59

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**

The wording "The black link in this operation space.." can be misinterpretted to mean the application space.

SuggestedRemedy

The DWDM link designed for this region of operation

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change "The black link in this operation space..." to "The DWDM black link designed for this region of operation..." with editorial license

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Cl **154a**   *SC* **154a.2**   *P* **145**   *L* **24**   # R1-60

D'Ambrosia, John   Futurewei Technologies, U.S. Subsidiary of Huawei

Comment Type **ER**   *Comment Status* **A**   *Bucket*

It is unclear what is meant by - "needs to be dimensioned.."

SuggestedRemedy

change dimensioned to designed

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT.

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Schmitt, Matthew   Cable Television Laboratories Inc. (CableLabs)

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

It may be worth noting that these examples are all assuming worst case impairments: the receiver sensitivity without impairments is 30 dBm, but in the presence of the worst case optical impairments that the system is required to tolerate there is a maximum 3dB optical path penalty, resulting in the quoted "Average Receive Power" of 27 dB. That is probably the correct figure to use in the calculations, but there could be value in making it clear to the reader -- since it is an example -- that this is a worst case scenario, so to speak.

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the following sentences:

"The achievable distances across the multi-channel fiber between the optical multiplexer and demultiplexer will be determined by the total loss from TP2 to TP3, less the total loss of optical multiplexer and demultiplexer, and the loss of potentially present patch panel connectors. The maximum allowable loss over the black link can be calculated from the difference between the minimum average receive power (at TP3) and the minimum transmitter average channel output power (at TP2), which is 19 dB."

To read as follows:

"The achievable distances across the multi-channel fiber between the optical multiplexer and demultiplexer will be determined by the total loss from TP2 to TP3, less the total loss of optical multiplexer and demultiplexer, the loss of potentially present patch panel connectors, and the optical path penalty due to impairments. The maximum allowable loss over the black link can therefore be calculated from the difference between the minimum average receive power (at TP3) and the minimum transmitter average channel output power (at TP2), which is 19 dB."

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

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Schmitt, Matthew   Cable Television Laboratories Inc. (CableLabs)

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

The use of the term "4:1 optical multiplexer" in Tables 154A-2, 154A-3, 154A-4, and 154A-5 implies that each table/calculation is using the exact same optical multiplexer; whereas the key difference between each table is the use of a different optical multiplexer.

I would suggest modifying those entries to match what is actually being used in that specific table.

SuggestedRemedy

In Table 154A-2, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 40 channel optical multiplexer".

In Table 154A-2, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical demultiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 40 channel optical demultiplexer".

In Table 154A-3, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 16 channel optical multiplexer".

In Table 154A-3, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical demultiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 16 channel optical demultiplexer".

In Table 154A-4, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 4 channel optical multiplexer".

In Table 154A-4, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical demultiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 4 channel optical demultiplexer".

In Table 154A-5, remove the entries for "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer" and "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical demultiplexer" to reflect the fact that neither is present in the example.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Cut-and-paste error in the Tables.
Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

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Schmitt, Matthew   Cable Television Laboratories Inc. (CableLabs)

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

The values chosen for the optical multiplexer, optical demultiplexer, and patch panel in Table 154A-2 all seem excessive. In an activity at CableLabs involving representatives from a variety of manufacturers from this product space, for example it was agreed that a loss of 5 dB for a 40 channel mux or demux was a safe value to use, and was probably excessive compared to modern equipment. Similarly, a value of 1 dB for an optical distribution frame (patch panel) was more than sufficient. As a result, while admittedly an example with suitable disclaimers, the resulting example distance reach significantly underestimates what is most likely commonly possible.

The same patch panel values are also used in Tables 154A-3, 154A-4, and 154A-5 and should be updated to remain consistent, while the mux/demux loss figures should be re-evaluated as well (as they may also be high).

I can bring a contribution to address this point in the future.

SuggestedRemedy

Modify the multiplexer and demultiplexer allocation loss figures in Table 154A-2 from 6 dB to 5 dB, and modify the patch panel loss from 2 dB to 1 dB and update the resulting calculations as appropriate.

Also modify the patch panel loss figure from 2 dB to 1 dB for each of Tables 154A-3, 154A-4, and 154A-5.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a note to the section that the example values shown are conservative and that other values lead to other potential distances. With editorial license.

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Schmitt, Matthew   Cable Television Laboratories Inc. (CableLabs)

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

In Tables 154A-2, 154A-3, 154A-4, and 154A-5, there are two sets of calculations: one for a fiber attenuation figure of 0.275 dB/km, and one for a fiber attenuation figure of 0.21 dB/km. However, in subclause 154A.2, the text makes reference to using a figure of 0.25 dB/km.

While this isn't technically wrong per se -- since they are all called out -- this creates an apparent disconnect or lack of consistency in the text. It may be desirable to keep these sections more aligned.

SuggestedRemedy

Several options are possible, including (but not limited to):
1. Modifying the text in 154A.2 to refer to the same range of values as used in the tables in 154A.3;
2. Modifying the 0.275 dB/km value to 0.25 dB/km in the 4 tables in 154.3, so that at least one of the values being used aligns with the text in 154A.2; or
3. Modifying the tables in 154A.3 to all use a single value of 0.25 dB/km.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Modify examples in 154A.3 to refer to 0.25 dB/km fiber loss. With editorial license.

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Zhang, Bo   Inphi Corporation

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

Regarding table 154A-2, 154A-3, 154A-4, while one can appreciate the change of the table title from 40 channels, down to 16 channels and then 4 channels, the line items 'allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer/demultiplexer' remain the same in description yet the values are reduced from 6, to 4 and then 2dB, which does not make sense for a 4 channel multiplexers.

SuggestedRemedy

Recommend modify the description name 'allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer/demultiplexer', and adjust their values accordingly to make practical sense (for example, a 50/50 coupler would incur 3.x dB loss).

Response   *Response Status* **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment R1-34.

The response to comment R1-34 was:

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Cut-and-paste error in the Tables.
Implement suggested remedy with editorial license.

The suggested remedy was:

In Table 154A-2, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 40 channel optical multiplexer".

In Table 154A-2, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical demultiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 40 channel optical demultiplexer".

In Table 154A-3, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 16 channel optical multiplexer".

In Table 154A-3, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical demultiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 16 channel optical demultiplexer".

In Table 154A-4, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 4 channel optical multiplexer".

In Table 154A-4, change "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical demultiplexer" to read "Allocation for loss of 4 channel optical demultiplexer".

In Table 154A-5, remove the entries for "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical multiplexer" and "Allocation for loss of 4:1 optical demultiplexer" to reflect the fact that neither is present in

the example.

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Ran, Adee   Intel Corporation

Comment Type   **E**   *Comment Status* **R**

Recommendation ITU-T G.698.2 is referenced multiple times but is not included in the normative reference list (in the current 2018 revision).

SuggestedRemedy

Add ITU-T G.698.2.

Response   *Response Status* **C**

REJECT.

ITU-T G.698.2 is already being added as a normative reference by this amendment on page 21, line 45 of D3.1.

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