# Proposed update on Transmitter Power Excursion

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# Power excursion: 1.5 dBm

## Background

- □ In .3cu Draft3.1 we introduced 'Transmitter power excursion' to limit the maximum excursion from average.
- The spec replaced 'Transmitter peak-to-peak' which did not limit specifically the positive or negative excursion, but the combination of both.
- Optical transmitters tend to have smaller undershoot than overshoot, what allowed for some trading between positive and negative excursion to meet 'peak-to-peak' spec.
- We recommend the new 'power excursion' spec to be slightly higher than the previous 'peak-to-peak' value divided by 2.



3.7dBm

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### Proposal for Power Excursion

- Power excursion protects receivers from transmitters having, at the same time, maximum OMA and maximum overshoot
- □ With current Excursion spec of 1.5dBm, effective OMA range for maximum TDECQ and overshoot is only 1.1dB. This is very tight.
- Increasing power excursion spec to 1.8dBm would allow for 1.4dB OMA range
- Maximum allowed overshoot at max OMA would increase from ~10.5% to ~14.5%

### 400G-FR4 OMA vs Overshoot



### Recommendation: Increase power excursion from 1.5dBm to 1.8dBm in 400G-FR4.

