

P802.3ah Draft 3.1 Comments

Cl 00 SC P L # 99300
 Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #795

The entirely new concept to 802.3 of doing shared access via an entirely new access protocol is hidden through lack of use of the proper terminology to describe what is going on. The P2MP portion of the proposal is, in fact, a new shared access protocol of the TDMA variety yet none of the following standard terms appears anywhere in the description thereof:

- multiple access
- access method
- time division
- TDMA
- access domain
- MAC protocol

In fact the only mentions of a "shared LAN" is the claim that P2MP is emulating a shared LAN rather than admitting it is one!

SuggestedRemedy

Come clean. P2MP is at its most basic level a master-slave TDMA LAN. Revise text to describe P2MP fully as such using established 802 terminology for multiple access shared LANs.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Master-slave relationship is described in 64.3.1. item h.

Modify item d in 64.3.1 as follows:

Multiple MACs operate on a shared medium by allowing only a single MAC to transmit upstream at any given time across the network using a time-division multiple access (TDMA) method.

Cl 00 SC P L # 307
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A OAM

Referring to comment 343 against D3.0, 'Are we sure we haven't messed up the legacy Ethernet?' with a response of 'REJECT. The commenter is encouraged to file a suggested remedy.' Specific remedies were filed in D3.0 comments 313 380 with attachment http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/comments/d3_0/pdfs/dawe_2_0104.pdf. Revised remedies are filed against D3.1 clause 66, 57, 56 and the front matter (99). The current draft is indeed making a mess of traditional Ethernet by attempting to demand non-standard PCS behavior for some of the suite of PMDs needed for 'traditional' (campus, industrial, core and metro) Ethernet use. In particular, 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10. These divergent requirements do no service to the standardization of Ethernet access networks either.

SuggestedRemedy

See other comments.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolved by presentation dawe_2_0304.pdf

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Cl 00 SC P L # 374
 Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

I continue to believe that many of the technically sound concepts included in this proposal, while suitable for the access market, are fundamentally at odds with the underlying principals of Ethernet embodied in IEEE Std 802.3 to date. While we have made changes in the past they have been all relatively minor and most of them have worked out. Some, in retrospect, while they seemed like a good idea at the time have set bad precedents for later work. Across it all Std 802.3 has remained conceptually pretty consistent. P802.3ah has several significant departures from that conceptual consistency. I believe that the precedents they set will cause significant confusion over the long term and destroy the conceptual consistency of Ethernet as it is known.

The specific areas that concern me most are:

- Loss of the peer relationship to a provider - customer asymmetry
- Unidirectional transport
- Loopback
- New non CSMA/CD mechanisms for shared media access arbitration.
- OAM mechanism that are not consistent with the earlier Management
- Low speed operation not consistent with prevalent perception of Ethernet.
- The requirement for and complexity of ranging & discovery protocols
- Requirement for additional levels of station addressing

SuggestedRemedy

Revise the PAR and the draft so that what is currently designated as P802.3ah can be approved as a separate full/new standard that is approved as and will remain a separate standard from IEEE Std 802.3. This will allow this project and its provider oriented successors/amendments to more freely meet the requirements of this significantly different marketplace and set of customers.

Pursue further steps to approval, both editorially and procedurally as a separate standard.

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

This issue has been discussed several times in the past. The scope and content of the draft is properly aligned with the approved PAR. The content of the draft as it currently stands has been approved by the balloting group. The commenter's suggested remedy is therefore clearly at odds with the consensus opinion of the task force that wrote the draft, the working group that approved the PAR and reviewed the draft, and the ballot group that approved the draft.

Cl 00 SC P L # 372
 Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

There is no provision in the draft to assure that the required disclaimer text (Ref: SB Ops Manual 5.9.3) will be included in the published standard.

SuggestedRemedy

Make provision in the next version of the draft to include the appropriately placed following text:

"At lectures, symposia, seminars, or educational courses, an individual presenting information on IEEE standards shall make it clear that his or her views should be considered the personal views of that individual rather than the formal position, explanation, or interpretation of the IEEE."

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

Appropriate text may be added by IEEE-SA staff editor prior to publication

Cl 00 SC P L # 120
 Morales Barroso, Jose L&M Data Communica

Comment Type T Comment Status R

It is very important for Ethernet over voice-grade copper connections to supply power either from the Central Office (CO) like in the European ISDN, or from the switch/hub in LANs. This feature would have many advantages, not only for service providers, but also for users of 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL in LANs and campus networks; since it enables users to connect remote devices. For example, the cameras used in video-monitoring systems would need only one pair to transport the signal and the power, rather than the four pairs specified now in 802.3af. This would increase the link length from 100 m to 2 km.

SuggestedRemedy

The specifications of 802.3af should be extended to include voice-grade copper, in order to make the changes required.

Clause 31 should be modified to something like this: "DTE powering is intended to provide both data transfer and power feed to 10BASE-T, 100BASE-TX, 1000BASE-T, 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL devices".

As a reference, the ISDN and HDSL connections in Europe supply power from CO to the CPEs through POTS cables.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

Extending af is out of the scope of this project (EFM) and would require a new 802.3 project.

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Cl 00 SC P L # 405
 Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status A

I am now satisfied and will sign off my following D3.0 TR comments:
 #500, #512, #537, #543.

Because #528 is mostly satisfied, I will sign it off and replace it with a new more specific TR.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC P L # 121
 Morales Barroso, Jose L&M Data Communica

Comment Type T Comment Status R

The large number of connections based on EFM that will exist in the future makes it very advisable to apply power management procedures (copper & optical fiber) in order to eliminate "ghost power", because the average use of this connections is less than 5 hours/day (< 20% of the total time). For example, with 200 million users, the energy saving would be of the order of 14 TWh/year, equivalent to 1,4 Billion € (<>1,75 Billion \$).

SuggestedRemedy

There is a power management specified in Std 802.11-1999, Clause 11, Subclause 11.2, that will serve as a basis to implement the control via the OAM protocol or with a specific procedure. In order to reduce the power consumed by the equipment, diverse components of these equipment can become disconnected during periods of inactivity.

Applying power management to all the Ethernet equipment (not only EFM) would result in a huge energy saving, due to the high number of devices that use this technology.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

Power management is out of the scope of this project (EFM) and would require a new 802.3 project.

Cl 00 SC P L # 99301
 Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A ALL D3.0 #528

Inappropriate uses of error rate.

SuggestedRemedy

Search for error rate and replace with error ratio to be consistent with similar change implemented by IEEE Std 802.3aj-2003.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Where the quantity is errors per bit change to ratio. Where the quantity is error per unit time then it can remain as rate.

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Cl 00 SC P L # 99302
 Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A Cu duplex D3.0 #500

Full-duplex is not used correctly. A section that illustrates this well is 56.1 (bottom of page 158). P2MP does not use full duplex links -- it is a passive star.

EFM copper confuses the existing uses of full-duplex and half-duplex (see 1.1.1, 1.1.1.1, 1.1.1.2, 1.4.135, 1.4.139, 4.1.1, 4.1.2.1.1, etc.) In the published standards, full-duplex text generally is written with the assumption that CRS and COL do not need to be implemented in full duplex mode.

Similar terms are used interchangeably or linked. For example "full duplex" as shorthand for "full duplex mode", (802.3ah, page 24 line 13 and 17), full duplex link (802.3, 4.1.1) and full duplex operation being synonymous with full duplex mode(802.3, 4.1.1) and MAC full duplex mode linked with an underlying full duplex PMD link).

The base

SuggestedRemedy

Harmonize use of full duplex and half duplex with the published standard. I believe this requires a full search of the base documents to make sure text does not contradict functionality exploited by EFM.

Most of the conflicts with EFM copper uses will require base document changes.

I believe full duplex and half duplex should not be used in P2MP descriptions except for describing full duplex emulation or when specifically referencing a mode as described in the base document.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The first paragraph of the comment is factually incorrect. P2MP does not use a passive star topology like 10BASE-FP. P2MP does provide simultaneous full duplex transmission on a single strand of fiber via wavelength division multiplexing.

Regarding the second paragraph,

On p 318, line 50, change "full duplex operation" to "simultaneous transmission and reception without contention".

Check other instances of full or half duplex in clause 61 and reference Annex 4A wherever reference is made to the full-duplex MAC.

The third paragraph of the comment does not cite any errors or deficiencies in the draft as it refers to material that is unchanged from the base standard.

Cl 00 SC P L # 99303
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #343

Are we sure we haven't messed up the legacy Ethernet?
 This rather vague comment is to replace an old TR which was triggered by counters(?) which fouled up regular Ethernet, and I've submitted it to encourage all readers to consider if the implications of the changes and additions in EFM could cause an unintended issue to existing Ethernets, including 10G Ethernet.

SuggestedRemedy

Check list:
 Counters and registers still OK for legacy Ethernet?
 Management stuff still OK?
 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 not tied to any public-networks-specific requirements?
 No damage to 10G?
 No outlawing current MAC, RS, PCS, PMAs in subscriber access networks?
 Other?

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The commenter is encouraged to file a suggested remedy.

Cl 00 SC P L # 251
 King, Neal Infineon Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 Please reference comments by Burkart Schneiderheinze (Infineon).

SuggestedRemedy

Remedies are proposed in the comments by Schneiderheinze.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

All comments received are reviewed and responded to by the EFM TF and STFs as part of the comment resolution process.

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Cl 00 SC 0 P1 L35 # 99304
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #726

Excessive capitalization.
This is just one example. Instruct your editors to eliminate capitalization on everything except proper nouns and the first word of headings and sentences.

The profuse use of capitalization, for emphasis, field name delineation, acronyms, etc. is unnecessary and distracting. With so many capitals, its hard to tell when one sentence or field name begins and another one ends.

Start at the front, work through the end, and have a policy in mind. Simply repeating the 802.3 mistakes is not sufficient.

SuggestedRemedy

for network Operations, Administration and Maintenance (OAM) is included
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Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will try to improve on capitalization

Cl 00 SC 0 P10 L1 # 99305
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #730

Unnecessary page, not part of the specification.
This is normally provided (or so says Tom Alexander) for the convenience of editors when the document is in FrameMaker source. Its not needed in pdf, and (in fact) could lead to some interesting translation ambiguities.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove this and following page.

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

This has usually been added to 802.3 docs.

Cl 00 SC 0 P2 L1 # 99306
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #727

This trademark usage page is blank, with no notice of any desire to change or method of change.

This comments was not addressed when marked as editorial, in previous working group ballots. I hope action is taken this time.

SuggestedRemedy

Either:
1) Eliminate the page
2) Put some text describing what and when will happen to this page.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This page is a reminder that text will be added on publication. An editors note can be added to this effect

Cl 00 SC 00 P1 L37 # 627
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

10G

SuggestedRemedy

10 Gb/s

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC 00 P2 L4 # 628
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Comment 727

SuggestedRemedy

Add editor's note to explain this page?

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This page was deleted

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Cl 00 SC 00 P4 L14 # 629
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 'Clauses 56 through Clause 67 and Annex 58A through 67A' should be...
 SuggestedRemedy
 Clauses 56 through 67 and Annexes 58A through 67A (like p3 line 50)
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC 00 P4 L25 # 630
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Missing space and comma
 SuggestedRemedy
 " '2001provides' s/b '2001, provides'"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC 00 P4 L29 # 631
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status R
 Wrong reference
 SuggestedRemedy
 '802.3ah-20xx' should be '802.3ak-20xx'. Or both.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 Seems ok.

Cl 00 SC 00 P9 L6 # 632
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 10Gb/s
 SuggestedRemedy
 10 Gb/s
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC 00 P All L # 626
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 TMs and comment 743?
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC 61.2.1.3.3 P364 L37 # 585
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type T Comment Status R
 PPM tolerance on the ipg_timer and rate_matching_timer don't seem to belong. While the MII clock has a 100 ppm requirement, this information doesn't belong here.
 Remove both mentions of tolerance +- 100 ppm.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Remove both mentions of tolerance +- 100 ppm.
 (lines 37 and 40).
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 The requirements of the MII (present or not) apply to these timers, as they specify data transmission between the MAC and the PHY. We see no reason to remove this text.

Cl 00 SC 61.2.2 P365 L39 # 586
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PMPME stutters.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to PME.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 01 SC P L # 430
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PMI not replaced by PME 4 times in clause 1
 SuggestedRemedy
 replace PMI by PME
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1 P14 L54 # 264
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Shouldn't this be ANSI T1? or ATIS T1?
 SuggestedRemedy
 Consider changing to 'ANSI T1....' or 'ATIS T1....' and move to new position in alphabetical list. If appropriate, make similar changes to trial-use T1 references following.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Change instances of T1 to ANSI T1 for last three definitions in kist and move them up top

Cl 01 SC 1 P14 L9 # 263
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Formatting
 SuggestedRemedy
 In the example 0F(16), make the 16 a subscript and remove the brackets.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1 P15 L21 # 265
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Broken quantity
 SuggestedRemedy
 Use non-breaking space between 100 and Mb/s.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1 P15 L45 # 266
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Unwanted , and missing .
 SuggestedRemedy
 61 and 63.) Also remove , from line 42.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.3 P14 L12 # 1
 Jacob Ben Ary TELDOR Wires & Cabl
 Comment Type E Comment Status A Technical Comment
 There are new access cables standards, IEC 62255 series. This new standard should be mentioned in the normative references.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add the following standard:
 IEC 62255 - Multicore and symmetrical pair/quad cables for broadband digital communications (High bit rate Digital access Telecommunication Network)
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The normative references are those documents that must be at hand to implement the standard. This document does not fit that definition.
 This document could be added in the references section of Annex A.

Cl 01 SC 1.3 P14 L24 # 99343
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #512
 This reference is already in IEEE Std 802.3ae-2002, but with a year and different title.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete or correct as appropriate. If the document number and title are correct, it should be a "Change" (to 802.3ae), not an "Insert".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 01 SC 1.3 P14 L40 # 418
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Normative references need updating, to align them with the documents that are actually being referenced in the text
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change G.994.1 (2003) to G.994.1 (2004)

 Change "T1.424/Trial-Use Part 1" to "ANSI T1.424-2004"; delete Part 3 reference.
 Change T1.417 to ANSI T1.417
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L35 # 635
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 10km needs a space
 SuggestedRemedy
 "10 km, 20 km"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L22 # 634
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Unwanted '100BASE-BX-10'
 SuggestedRemedy
 Remove
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L22 # 633
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status R
 "Definition of 100BASE-BX10 has changed following comment 515. But why would 100BASE-BX10 be treated differently to 1000BASE-BX10, 1000BASE-PX10, 1000BASE-PX10?"
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change all or none.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

 Can the commenter please provide specific changes

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Cl 01 SC 1.4 P15 L38 # 99344

James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #732

Excessive capitalization. There is no point in capitalizing every defined word (or many of them, with no apparent pattern). This confuses the parsing of sentences, since defined words, registers, fields, etc. are all capitalized.

SuggestedRemedy

- 1.4.xxx Aggregation group: ...
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- 1.4.xxx aggregation group: ...

- 1.4.xxx Bandplan: ...
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- 1.4.xxx bandplan: ...

- 1.4.xxx Coupled Power Ratio (CPR): ...
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- 1.4.xxx coupled power ratio (CPR): ...

- 1.4.xxx Downstream: ...
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- 1.4.xxx downstream: ...

- 1.4.xxx Grant: Within P2MP protocols, ...
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- 1.4.xxx grant: Within P2MP protocols, ...

- 1.4.xxx Logical Link Identifier (LLID): ...
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- 1.4.xxx logical link identifier (LLID): ...

- 1.4.xxx MPCP Registration: ...
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- 1.4.xxx MPCP registration: ...

- 1.4.xxx OAM Discovery: ...
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- 1.4.xxx OAM discovery: ...

- 1.4.xxx Operations, Administration and Maintenance (OAM): ...
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- 1.4.xxx operations, administration and maintenance (OAM): ...

- 1.4.xxx Optical Line Terminal (OLT): ...
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- 1.4.xxx optical line terminal (OLT): ...

- 1.4.xxx Optical Network Unit (ONU): ...
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- 1.4.xxx optical network unit (ONU): ...

- 1.4.xxx P2MP Discovery: ...
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- 1.4.xxx P2MP discovery: ...

- 1.4.xxx P2MP Discovery window: ...
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- 1.4.xxx P2MP discovery window: ...

- 1.4.xxx P2MP Timestamp: ...
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- 1.4.xxx P2MP timestamp: ...

- 1.4.xxx Point to Multi-Point Network (P2MP): ...
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- 1.4.xxx point to multi-point network (P2MP): ...

- 1.4.xxx Point-to-point emulation (P2PE): ...
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- 1.4.xxx point-to-point emulation (P2PE): ...

- 1.4.xxx Ranging: ...
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- 1.4.xxx ranging: ...

- 1.4.xxx Reflectance: ...
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- 1.4.xxx reflectance: ...

- 1.4.xxx Upstream: ...
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- 1.4.xxx upstream: ...

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will capitalize abbreviations in a definition to be consistant with 802.3ae (part of base document), Otherwise they will not be.

For definitons they will not be capitalized

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L2 # 636

Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

"Grammar; comments 851, 520,790"

SuggestedRemedy

"end of a link **is** closer to **a** subscriber,"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L2 # 408
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Grammar problem.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "an subscriber" to "a subscriber".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P16 L8 # 591
 Dr. David V. James
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R
 has excess capitalization, as can be seen by looking at Definitions are
 >>>NOT<<<<* capitalized just because they are defined. Even the most recent
 802.3 "bible" has finally done this (mostly) right.
 SuggestedRemedy
 I view the responses to submitted comments arrogant and ill informed. Your should read
 the IEEE Style manual, which is available on line.
 After that, establishing editorial guidelines (which a chief editor should do) or distributing
 pointers to useful references would be useful, such as
<http://dvjames.com/templates/StdBook.pdf>.
 A response of 802.3 precedence is irrelevant: your job is to write based on IEEE style
 guidelines. Besides, the precedence (most recent 802.3) also shows definitions not
 capitalized unless proper nouns.
 Proposed Response Response Status U
 REJECT.
 The editor-in-chief has worked closely with the IEEE staff editor to ensure that the draft
 adequately conforms with the IEEE style guide.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P17 L5 # 99345
 James, David JGG
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #733
 Excessive capitalization. There is no point in capitalizing every acronym (or many of them,
 with no apparent pattern). This confuses the parsing of sentences, since defined words,
 registers, fields, etc. are all capitalized.
 Also, IEEE Style manual clearly shown acronyms not capitalized unless proper nouns.
 Due to the large number of these, and failures in the past when attempting to resolve these
 earlier, they have been elevated to a TR.
 After fixing the unnecessary capitalization, provide a check list to the other clause editors.
 Its easier for them to search, then for me and/or others to do so on their behalf.
 SuggestedRemedy
 CO Central Office
 ==>
 CO central office
 CPE Customer Premises Equipment
 ==>
 CPE customer premises equipment
 CPR Coupled Power Ratio
 ==>
 CPR coupled power ratio
 DMT Discrete Multi-Tone
 ==>
 DMT discrete multi-tone
 DA Destination Address
 ==>
 DA destination address
 EFM Ethernet in the First Mile
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 EFM Ethernet in the first mile
 EFM Cu Ethernet in the First Mile ...
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 EFM Cu Ethernet in the first mile ...
 FEC Forward Error Correction
 ==>
 FEC forward error correction
 FSW Frame Synchronization Word
 ==>
 FSW frame synchronization word<cr
 LLID Logical Link identifier

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 LLID logical link identifier

MPCP Multi-Point Control Protocol
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 MPCP multi-point control protoco

OAM Operations, Administration, and Maintenance
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 OAM operations, administration, and maintenance

OAMPDU Operations, Administration, and Maintenance Protocol Data Unit
 ==>
 OAMPDU operations, administration, and maintenance protocol data unit

ODN Optical Distribution Network
 ==>
 ODN optical distribution network

OH Overhead
 ==>
 OH overhead

OLT Optical Line Terminal
 ==>
 OLT optical line terminal

ONU Optical Network Unit
 ==>
 ONU optical network unit

ORLT Optical return loss tolerance
 ==>
 ORLT optical return loss tolerance

P2P Point to Point
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 P2P point to point

P2PE Point to Point Emulation
 ==>
 P2PE point to point emulation

P2MP Point to Multi-Point
 ==>
 P2MP point to multi-point

PAF PMI Aggregation Function
 ==>
 PAF PMI aggregation function

PAFH PMI Aggregation Function Header

==>
 PAFH PMI aggregation function header

PAM Pulse Amplitude Modulation
 ==>
 PAM pulse amplitude modulation

PMS-TC Physical Media Specific - Transmission Convergence
 ==>
 PMS-TC physical media specific - transmission convergence

PSD Power Spectral Density
 ==>
 PSD power spectral density

SA Source Address
 ==>
 SA source address

SHDSL Single-pair High-speed Digital Subscriber Line
 ==>
 SHDSL single-pair high-speed digital subscriber line

STU-O SHDSL Transceiver Unit - Central Office
 ==>
 STU-O SHDSL transceiver unit - central office

STU-R SHDSL Transceiver Unit - Remote
 ==>
 STU-R SHDSL transceiver unit - remote

TCM Trellis Coded Modulation
 ==>
 TCM Trellis coded modulation

UPBO Upstream power back-off
 ==>
 UPBO upstream power back-off

Proposed Response *Response Status* **U**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

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Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 38 # 382
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PAF is defined as PMI aggregation function while it is PME aggregation function
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace PMI with PME in the description.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Should globally change PMI to PME

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 39 # 383
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PAFH is defined as PMI aggregation function header while it should be PME aggregation function header.
 Besides it is not used anywhere in the text .
 SuggestedRemedy
 Remove PAFH from the list of abbreviations.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 45 # 386
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Typo: "sddress" instead of "address"
 SuggestedRemedy
 Correct the typo.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 47 # 384
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 STU-O is defined instead of STU-C.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace STU-O and STU-R definitions with the following:
 STU - SHDSL Transceiver Unit
 STU-C - STU at the Central Office end
 STU-R - STU at the Remote end
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Should remove all these terms as they are not used in this standard

Cl 01 SC 1.5 P17 L 6 # 385
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Some abbreviations used in the text are not listed in Abbreviations section.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add the following abbreviations to the list:
 DSL - Digital Subscriber Line
 VDSL - Very high speed Digital Subscriber Line
 xDSL - Generic term covering the family of all DSL technologies, e.g. SHDSL, ADSL,
 VDSL
 LT - Line Termination
 NT - Network Termination
 TC - Transmission Convergence
 VTU - VDSL Transceiver Unit
 VTU-O - VTU at the Central Office end
 VTU-R - VTU at the Remote end
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 04A SC P L # 156
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Many of the cross-references don't work
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please fix the cross-references.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 I think all of the internal references work but I'll check through them again. Many external references are to clauses that are not open as part of this project so I don't know how to fix those.
 A complete list would be helpful.

Cl 04A SC 04A P L # 4002
 Brown, Benjamin
 Comment Type T Comment Status R
 The MAC is still the CSMA/CD MAC - it is the same MAC and should not have dropped its label
 SuggestedRemedy
 Review the "CMP" document. Everywhere it used to use the label "CSMA/CD MAC" and now uses "MAC" or "full duplex MAC", replace with "Carrier sense full duplex MAC" or "CSFD MAC".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

Cl 04A SC 04A.4.2 P579 L 16 # 4001
 Brown, Benjamin
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Need additional text that enforces the 96 bits of IFG regardless of whether it is implemented here or elsewhere
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add a sentence below Table 4A-2 that states: "The minimum interFrameGap shall be enforced in this sublayer, when the deferenceMode variable is set to TRUE, or outside this sublayer, when the deferenceMode variable is set to FALSE."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 04A SC 4A.1.2 P556 L 50 # 145
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Figure 4A-1 is not the architectural model mentioned.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please add the Architectural model, label it Figure 4A-1, and increment all other Figure numbers and Figure reference.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 This should reference figure 1-1 as is done in 802.3ae

Cl 04A SC 4A.1.2.1 P557 L 17 # 4004
 Brown, Benjamin
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 [Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]
 I suggest you refer to the carrierSense signal rather than to "contention at the physical layer", since it is a vague term and is never defined in this Annex. (Note also that "contention" has a well-known technical meaning in the research literature on medium access control protocols, where it means a collision based algorithm like ALOHA or CSMA/CD, rather than a "demand assignment" protocol like token passing.)
 SuggestedRemedy
 More specifically, I suggest you replace the text between >><< in the current version:
 "... may be initiated once >> there is no contention at the physical layer << and after ..."
 with the following:
 "... may be initiated once >> the carrierSense signal has been removed << and after ..."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 04A SC 4A.1.2.1 P557 L21 # 4005

Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type E Comment Status A

[Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]

The correct operation of the simplified full-duplex MAC depends critically on the way that the Physical Layer uses the carrierSense signal to impose flow control over the MAC. I think you need to spell out precisely what that means here. Otherwise, you get confusion similar to what I expressed in my previous email.

SuggestedRemedy

Thus, I suggest you insert the following additional text after the sentence that ends after the first word of this line:

". Frame. >> Once the Physical Layer has indicated its readiness to transmit another frame by removing the carrierSense signal, it shall accept a complete frame from the MAC layer. << A functional"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 04A SC 4A.1.2.2 P557 L45 # 4006

Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type E Comment Status A

[Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]

Replace "frame check sequence" by "FCS", since you have already defined the abbreviation on line 43, and in any case it would be inconsistent not to capitalize these words.

SuggestedRemedy

See comment

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 04A SC 4A.1.4 P558 L31 # 146

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status A

The note in the figure is incomplete.

SuggestedRemedy

Note should read, "NOTE-a1, b2, etc., refer to functions listed in 4A.1.4."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.1 P557 L4 # 4003

Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type E Comment Status A

[Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]

This one-sentence paragraph is not helpful to the reader trying to understand the MAC layer, especially those who have some knowledge of previous versions of the MAC and want to know what is special about this one. I suggest expanding the paragraph like this. (NOTE: everything after the first line below is new material):

SuggestedRemedy

Replace this sentence with the following:

"Transmit frame operations are independent from receive frame operations and respond to different signals from the Physical Layer. The carrierSense signal indicates that the transmit function must defer because of contention at the physical layer (see A4.2.3.2.1). The receiveDataValid signal indicates the presence of incoming data to the the receive function (see A4.2.4.2.1)."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

"Transmit frame operations are independent from receive frame operations and respond to different signals from the Physical Layer. The carrierSense signal indicates that the transmit function must defer because of congestion at the physical layer (see 4A.2.3.2.1). The receiveDataValid signal indicates the presence of incoming data to the the receive function (see 4A.2.4.2)."

This points out a violation of the style guide by having only one subclause at this level: 4A.2.4.2.1 - there is no 4A.2.4.2.2. Remove subclause 4A.2.4.2.1 and correct the last reference in the suggested remedy to point o 4A.2.4.2. Also, correct the first reference to point to 4A.2.3.2.1 (It is Annex 4A not A4)

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Cl 04A SC 4A.2.2 P561 L35 # 152
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status R

The paragraph used to have the following statement:
 "Within the Pascal descriptions provided in Clause 4, a "‡" in the left margin indicates a line that has been added to support management services. These lines are only required if Layer Management is being implemented. These changes do not affect any aspect of the MAC behavior as observed at the LLC-MAC and MAC-PLS interfaces of ISO/IEC 8802-3:1990."

As this has nothing to do specifically with half duplex operation I don't see why it was removed.

SuggestedRemedy

Please add the statement, and fix the Pascal code and flow charts such that the "‡" symbols are replaced wherever applicable.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

This change was actually done on purpose to help clean up duplicated text or code that was sometimes exactly the same and other times defined differently.

Take, for example, the description of TransmitStatus or ReceiveStatus in 4.3.2 - there is a different list of status code types for each frame status field depending on whether Layer Management exists. Both of these exist in today's Clause 4 because of the requirement to maintain compatibility with MACs developed before Layer Management existed.

The management services were not removed. Instead they were made the only option since there is no requirement to maintain a description that doesn't support management services as was the case with Clause 4.

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.3 P561 L51 # 4007
 Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type E Comment Status R

[Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]

The term "carrier deference" has never been used in the context of Ethernet before, as far as I know. It is always either "carrier sense" or simply "deference"

SuggestedRemedy

See comment

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

This text is identical to the text from both 802.3-2002 and 802.3-1998. I hesitate to introduce a change to this text. I don't have a copy of 802.3-1996.

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.3.1 P562 L41 # 147
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Missing cross-reference.

SuggestedRemedy

Please change "...CRC value is generated..." to "...CRC value as defined in 3.2.8 is generated..."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This problem comes from 802.3ae where the reference to 3.2.8 was deleted. This means that the current Clause 4 MAC, as approved by 802.3ae, has no reference to the CRC in 3.2.8!

This comment should be sent to maintenance against Clause 4 as well.

In 4.2.10, replace the comment on line 30 with : "The 32-bit CRC for the entire frame as defined in 3.2.8, excluding the FCS field (if present)

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Cl 04A SC 4A.2.3.2.1 P562 L 54 # 153

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

"Or-ing" the transmitting variable with carrierSense will make this MAC behave differently than a Clause 4 full duplex MAC.

A Clause 4 FD MAC and PHY combo is able to transmit while receiving because the MAC ignores the carrierSense signal. Using an Annex 4A FD MAC and the same PHY will provide different results; the MAC will not be able to transmit while currently receiving a frame.

SuggestedRemedy

Suggest adding a "carrierSenseMode bit". When the bit is set (true), then transmitting should be "or-ed" with carrierSense. When the bit is not set (false), then transmitting should be the only variable checked before sending the frame to the Physical Layer.

This would also affect these areas in the document:

- Pg. 564, line 53: part in parenthesis is only true if carrierSenseMode bit set.
Pg. 564, line 54: don't monitor carrierSense if carrierSenseMode bit not set.
Pg. 568, line 32: add a transmit state variable called carrierSenseMode
Pg. 569, line 52: In Initialize procedure set carrierSenseMode
Pg. 569, line 53: carrierSense should only be checked if carrierSenseMode bit is set
Pg. 571, line 54: carrierSense should only be checked if carrierSenseMode bit is set
Pg. 572, line 03: carrierSense should only be checked if carrierSenseMode bit is set
Pg. 578, line 32: need to explain listening to carrierSense would be optional

* There should be a statement saying that carrierSenseMode is false when deferenceMode is false.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Detailed instructions:

At the end of the first paragraph in 4A.2.3.2.1, add the following sentence: "The variable carrierSense is ignored in process Deference when the variable carrierSenseMode is FALSE."

Add the new variable and description just below "deferenceMode" in the var list in 4A.2.7.2: "carrierSenseMode: Boolean; {Indicates the desired mode of operation, and enables using carrierSense to extend deference due to congestion in the PHY}"

Add an assignment to this new variable in procedure Initialize in 4A.2.7.5 after the assignment to the deferenceMode variable: "carrierSenseMode := . . .; {True for implementations that use carrierSense to indicate congestion in the PHY, false otherwise.}"

One place in procedure Initialize and two places in process Deference (page 571, line 54 and page 572, line3), replace "carrierSense" with "(carrierSenseMode and carrierSense)". Italicise the word "and".

In the carrierSense variable description in 4A.3.3 (page 578, line32), insert at the start of

the first paragraph: "When the value of variable carrierSenseMode is set to TRUE, "

Insert the following paragraph after this one: "When the value of variable carrierSenseMode is set to FALSE, the carrierSense variable is ignored by the MAC."

Add a single asterisk after "carrierSense" twice in the Deference process control flow diagram in Figure 4A-3c then add a text note in the diagram: "** - carrierSense is ignored when carrierSenseMode is FALSE"

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.3.2.1 P564 L 11 # 148

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Figure 4A-3C - Control Flow BitReceiver process

The negative arc off of "receiveDataValid off or frameFinished on?" used to go before the "receive a bit" block. Now it goes below it. This means only one bit will be received.

SuggestedRemedy

Please place the arc before the "receive a bit" block.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 04A SC 4A.2.5 P566 L 43 # 154

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

"...BitTransmitter shall first transmit the preamble, a bit sequence used for physical medium stabilization and synchronization, followed by the Start Frame Delimiter."

But in the Pascal Code I don't see:

```
"while currentTransmitBit? <= lastHeaderBit do
begin
TransmitBit(outgoingHeader [currentTransmitBit ]);{transmit header one bit at a time}
currentTransmitBit :=currentTransmitBit +1
end ;"
```

SuggestedRemedy

Either put the snippet of code into BitTransmitter so that the header will be transmitted or put PhysicalSignalEncap back in with the exception of Jam enforcement.

If you put PhysicalSignalEncap back into the document, you'll also have to make the following changes:

Figure 4A-2, will need a PhysicalSignalEncap block
Annex 4A2.5, replace BitTransmitter with PhysicalSignalEncap
Annex 4A.2.8 (edit BitTransmitter process, add a description, and add PhysicalSignalEncap procedure)

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

PhysicalSignalEncap seemed to be a useful place to transmit the preamble without reacting to collisions. I'd prefer not to reinstate this code.

To remove the possibility of a race condition, in procedure StartTransmit (page 571, line 45) reverse the order of the assignments to "transmitting" and "lastHeaderBit".

In process BitTransmitter, before the "while transmitting do" loop (page 572, line 18), add the following code after the "begin {Inner loop}":

```
"while currentTransmitBit = lastHeaderBit do
begin
TransmitBit(outgoingHeader [currentTransmitBit ]);
currentTransmitBit :=currentTransmitBit +1
end;
currentTransmitBit := 1;"
```

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.7.1 P568 L 12 # 149

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Two occurrences of:
"headerContents: array [1..headerSize] of Bit)"

SuggestedRemedy

Remove first instance of "headerContents: array [1..headerSize] of Bit)"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

This problem comes from 802.3ae where this same mistake was made.

This comment should be sent to maintenance against Clause 4 as well.

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.7.1 P571 L 17 # 150

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Two occurrences of:
"begin
ComputePad := {Append an array of size padSize of arbitrary bits to the MAC client dataField}
end; {ComputePadParam}"

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the first instance of:

```
"begin
ComputePad := {Append an array of size padSize of arbitrary bits to the MAC client
dataField}
end; {ComputePadParam}"
```

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

This problem comes from 802.3ae where this same mistake was made.

This comment should be sent to maintenance against Clause 4 as well.

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Cl 04A SC 4A.2.7.2 P568 L19 # 151
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status A

It is difficult to differentiate the prose from the code.

SuggestedRemedy

Please place a new line between the descriptive text and the beginning of the Pascal code.

This also occurs on:

- Pg. 569 line 43
- Pg. 570 line 9
- Pg. 570 line 31
- Pg. 571 line 29
- Pg. 571 line 41
- Pg. 571 line 51
- Pg. 572 line 11
- Pg. 572 line 53
- Pg. 573 line 52
- Pg. 574 line 18
- Pg. 574 line 38
- Pg. 575 line 28

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.8 P571 L32 # 196
Kramer, Glen Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Thin MAC discussion at the January meeting had the following resolution:

- a. Introduce variable 'deferenceMode' to enable/disable IPG enforcement in MAC
- b. retain 'carrierSense' to allow PHY controlling the congestion

Yet, in the currend draft if the deferenceMode is false, both the IPG enforcement and carrierSense signals will be ignored.

SuggestedRemedy

The correct specification should keep line 32 in TransmitLinkManagement as it was before: while deferring do {Defer to physical layer contention and IFS}

deferenceMode variable should be used in process Deference: if deferenceMode then Wait(interFrameSpacing); {Time out entire interframe gap}

This way one may disable IPG in MAC but still use carrierSense to control congestion or maintain IPG.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

I'm okay with this change, in conjunction with adding carrierSenseMode. This keeps these 2 variables completely separate. Does it make sense to change the name of this variable to interFrameSpacingMode?

In addition to the suggested remedy, make the following changes:

Add a double asterisk after "wait interframe spacing" in the Deference process control flow diagram in Figure 4A-3c then add a text note in the diagram: "*** - deferring for an interframe spacing is ignored when deferenceMode is FALSE"

Change the definition of the deferenceMode variable in 4A.2.7.2 to be: "deferenceMode: Boolean; {Indicates the desired mode of operation , and enables waiting for interframe spacing during the deference process}

An additional requirement that restricts the setting of this variable will be added to 4A.4.2

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Cl 04A SC 4A.2.9 P573 L51 # 4008

Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type E Comment Status R

[Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]

Why does "unspecified:" have a colon, rather than a period at the end? The old version wasn't this way.....

SuggestedRemedy

See comment

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

This is a change submitted and accepted during project 802.3ae (10 G).

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.9 P574 L25 # 4009

Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type T Comment Status A

[Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]

This is one of those examples where some previous additions to the MAC in order to support carrier extension and frame bursting for Gigabit CSMA/CD have not been properly removed. As I mentioned previously, I think it would be a really good idea to revert to the previous version of this code, rather than creating something new and different for no reason. In the gigabit version of the MAC, we added a kludge for handling carrier extension, which meant that the BitReceiver process (re-)initialized the "receiveSucceeding" variable after checking to make sure that a short frame did not end without reaching the minimum extended carrier length (if necessary). This does not apply to the simplified full duplex MAC, so we should go back to the previous behavior, where the BitReceiver process DOES NOT TOUCH the "receiveSucceeding" variable. Thus:

SuggestedRemedy

1) page 574, line 25 should SET the value of receiveSucceeding, and not simply UPDATE it, like this:

```
receiveSucceeding := (frameSize >= minFrameSize) {Reject frames too small}
```

2) page 574, line 32 should be deleted:

```
receiveSucceeding := true;
```

3) page 575, line 12 should be deleted:

```
receiveSucceeding := true;
```

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Editor to compare against 802.3-1996

Cl 04A SC 4A.2.9 P574 L36 # 4010

Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type T Comment Status A

[Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]

The BitReceiver process was changed substantially to support carrier extension and frame bursting for Gigabit CSMA/CD. The simplified full duplex MAC does not support these features, but still includes a lot of unnecessary code that is not needed, and was not present in earlier (pre- 802.3z) versions of Clause 4. For example, I already talked about the variable receiveSucceeding in my previous comment. Other examples include the variables "frameFinished", which was used to support frame bursting and is set but never used by this version of the MAC, and "incomingFrameSize", which was used to support carrier extension and is never accessed by any code outside this single function.

Note that the pre- 802.3z version of the MAC receiver works fine for your purposes, and indeed the only technical change added for full duplex operation by 802.3x was the replacement of the "carrierSense" signal by "receiveDataValid". Thus, I recommend that we back up to the previous version of this procedure, as specified by 802.3x, with the addition of other enhancements related to VLAN tagging and the optional preservation of the existing CRC and padding (if any). To simplify the editorial process, I am attaching a Word document containing a properly typeset copy of my recommended version of this function, rather than typing plain text into this email.

Note #2. Since I was unable to find a previous version of the BitReceiver with the right combination of features, i.e., it includes the management variable "receiveEnabled" but not any of the extra junk related to carrier extension and frame bursting, I created this as a hybrid between the old (1996) version and the current (2002 standard) version.

SuggestedRemedy

```
process BitReceiver;
var b: Bit;
currentReceiveBit: 1..frameSize; {Position of current bit in incomingFrame}
begin
cycle {outer loop}
if receiveEnabled then
begin {Receive next frame from physical layer}
currentReceiveBit := 1;
PhysicalSignalDecap; {Skip idle, strip off the preamble and sfd}
while receiveDataValid do
begin {Inner loop to receive the rest of an incoming frame}
b := ReceiveBit; {Next bit from physical medium}
if receiving then {Append to frame}
begin
incomingFrame[currentReceiveBit] := b;
currentReceiveBit := currentReceiveBit+1
end; {append bit to frame}
receiving := receiveDataValid
end {inner loop}
frameSize := currentReceiveBit - 1
end {Enabled}
end {Outer loop}
```

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end; {BitReceiver}

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Editor to compare against 802.3-1996

Cl 04A SC 4A.3.3 P578 L 28 # 155
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status R

I don't think the definition of carrierSense should be changed. Only what the MAC does when it sees it.

SuggestedRemedy

Please define a bit indicating when carrierSense is being used (carrierSenseMode) and copy verbatim the text from Clause 4 with the following exceptions:
Replace "In half duplex mode, ..." with "When carrierSenseMode is set to true,..." and
Replace "In full duplex mode, ..." with "When carrierSenseMode is set to false, ..."

Proposed Response Response Status C
REJECT.

I'm not sure I agree with this. The description for carrierSense is for half-duplex links. In a PHY using the full-duplex MAC, carrierSense does not necessarily act the same way and merely is an indication of contention. I'll wait for the

When carrierSenseMode is set to TRUE, the MAC sublayer shall monitor the value of carrierSense to defer its own transmissions when the medium is busy. The Physical Layer sets carrierSense to true immediately upon detection of activity on the physical medium. After the activity on the physical medium ceases, carrierSense is set to false. Note that the true/false transitions of carrierSense are not defined to be precisely synchronized with the beginning and the end of the frame, but may precede the beginning and lag the end, respectively. (See 4A.2 for details.) When carrierSenseMode is set to FALSE, carrierSense is unde?ned.

Cl 04A SC 4A.3.3 P578 L 32 # 197
Kramer, Glen Teknovus

Comment Type T Comment Status A

In full duplex mode of operation PHY does not encounter any contention (for the media). But it may encounter congestion due to rate mismatch, etc.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace the word 'contention' with 'congestion' (2 occurrences in this paragraph)

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This word is used in 4A several times. If we change it in these 2 places, I recommend we change it everywhere.

Cl 04A SC 4A.4.2 P579 L 17 # 4011
Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type E Comment Status A

[Submitted on behalf of Mart Molle <mart@cs.ucr.edu>]

I can't speak as an authority on this matter, but it seems to me that many of these things can't possibly matter. For example, can the physical layer for 1BASE-5 even support full duplex mode? Also, I thought the interFrameGap shrinkage problem was primarily caused by preamble regeneration in repeaters, which may not see a variable number of preamble bits before locking on to an incoming transmission. Full duplex doesn't have any repeaters, so surely this doesn't apply. Moreover, I don't understand how you can have a "variable network delay" since the given link always has a fixed wire connecting the same transmitter to the same receiver. And except for 10BASE-T, I thought all full-duplex capable physical layers had continuous signalling, with some non-data symbols used to represent "idle fill" between frames.

SuggestedRemedy

Anyway, all of these details about physical layer properties for old shared medium networks seems to be rather old and dusty, and surely can't be relevant to your project even if your Physical Layer does have "variable network delays" which cause you to do flow control of the MAC via carrierSense. However, I can't really tell you what, if any, can be removed. It does look ugly though. Sorry.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

I'll remove the 1BASE-5 note but the others cover IFG shrinkage that is applicable to full duplex.

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Cl 22 SC 1.4 P21 L1 # 99309
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #734

Excessive capitalization. There is no point in capitalizing every acronym (or many of them, with no apparent pattern). This confuses the parsing of sentences, since defined words, registers, fields, etc. are all capitalized.
Also, IEEE Style manual clearly shown acronyms not capitalized unless proper nouns.

Due to the large number of these, and failures in the past when attempting to resolve these earlier, they have been elevated to a TR.

After fixing the unnecessary capitalization, provide a check list to the other clause editors. Its easier for them to search, then for me and/or others to do so on their behalf.

SuggestedRemedy

- 22. Reconciliation Sublayer (RS) and Media Independent Interface (MII)
==>
- 22. Reconciliation sublayer (RS) and media independent interface (MII)

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

Changing the title of an existing clause is outside the scope of P802.3ah.

Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.1.12 P23 L10 # 267
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Does it have to be so repetitive? I know it's following (stretching) precedent, but there doesn't seem any need to say 'bit 0.5 should always be written as zero.'. If the PHY won't do this feature, it would be just as good, or better, for the STA not to attempt to write to bit 0.5 at all. I hope the effect of this comment is merely editorial, but just in case, I've made it a T.

SuggestedRemedy

Shorten to:
If a PHY reports via bit 1.7 that it lacks the ability to encode and transmit data from the media independent interface regardless of whether the PHY has determined that a valid link has been established, the PHY shall return a value of zero in bit 0.5, and any attempt to write a one to bit 0.5 shall be ignored.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

This is done both ways. See 22.2.4.1.3 and 22.2.4.1.4.

Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.1.12 P23 L20 # 99310
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #747

Subclause is unclear and contains data that is either duplicated or belongs in another clause.

SuggestedRemedy

Move the last sentence of the last paragraph to be the last sentence of the first paragraph.

Move the second paragraph to proceed the first paragraph. Move MF42 & MF43 in PICS to proceed MF38 & MF39.

Delete the third paragraph and delete MF40 & MF41. This information should be in those respective clauses and repetition here just requires editing if another standards development wishes to use this bit.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

I agree with all the moves.

The third paragraph was added to resolve a TR in WG ballot that expressed concern about enabling this capability without consideration of the ramifications.

Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.1.12 P23 L27 # 268
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status A

This doesn't say what is meant: 'A management entity shall only set bit 0.5 to a logic one after ...'

SuggestedRemedy

Change to:
A management entity shall set bit 0.5 to a logic one only after ...

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.1.12 P23 L32 # 269
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Do we have to spell this out fully?

SuggestedRemedy

Consider extending 'The default value of bit 0.5 is zero.' to:
The default value of bit 0.5 is zero, except for 1000BASE-PX-D, where it is one.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.2.8 P L # 270
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 This is a read-only status bit, we can't say it 'shall be set' to anything. Editorial: note PMA in 66.1
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to:
 A PHY shall return a value of zero in bit 1.7 if it is not a 100BASE-X PHY using the PMA and PCS specified in 66.1 or a 1000BASE-X PHY using the PCS specified in 66.2.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Change to:
 A PHY shall return a value of zero in bit 1.7 if it is not a 100BASE-X PHY using the PCS and PMA specified in 66.1 or a 1000BASE-X PHY using the PCS and PMA specified in 66.2.

Cl 22 SC 22.2.4.2.8 P25 L9 # 99311
 Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #793
 Proposed text goes well beyond the allowed scope of the project. As worded it would appear to allow "unidirectional ability" on legacy PHY types. This change could cause great confusion and interoperability problems with conformant legacy networks.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Limit the scope of this change to the PHY types being added by this clause that support unidirectional ability. Require that the value of bit 1.7 will be zero for all other current PHY types.
 Any WG action to add unidirectional ability to legacy PHY types should be done through maintenance or a new project with the appropriate scope.
 Proposed Response Response Status U
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 "Bit 1.7 shall be set to 0 for all PHYs except the following: 100BASE-X using the PCS specified in 66.1 and 1000BASE-X using the PCS specified in 66.2."
 Use the major capability from comment #748 in the PICS entry.

Cl 22 SC 22.7.2.3 P26 L46 # 22001
 Brown, Benjamin
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Fix PICS
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change name of major capability from "UNI" to "MUNI"
 In new PICS items:
 Remove "UNI" predicate in the Status column from MF38, MF39, and MF45.
 In remaining items, replace "UNI" predicate in the Status column with "MUNI"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 22 SC 22.7.3.4 P27 L22 # 409
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 MF43 through MF45 are inconsistent on style.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Move the value/comment information to the value/comment column.
 MF43: Feature = "Enable Unidirectional mode", V/C= "Enable only when ..."
 MF44: Feature = "Disable Unidirectional mode", V/C= "Unidirectional mode is disabled before disabling OAM sublayer when not part ..."
 MF45: Feature = "Unidirectional Ability", V/C= "Bit 1.7=0 for all PHYs..."
 Similar modifications to MF 38 and MD39 are also advised.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Additionally:
 MF38: Feature = "PHY without inidirectional ability", V/C= "PHY returns value of 0 in 0.5 if bit 1.7=0"
 MF39: Feature = "PHY without indirectional ability", V/C= "PHY always maintains a value of 0.5=0 when 1.7=0"

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Cl 30 SC 30 P29 L5 # 637
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 10Gb/s
 SuggestedRemedy
 10 Gb/s. Also annex 30A
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30 P30 L1 # 397
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Replace long dash with short dash thought Clause 30.
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30 P38 L1 # 639
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Wrong dash type in table x-y (or maybe two dashes used)
 SuggestedRemedy
 "This problem shows up in several places and affects references to figures as well as tables, so it looks like a template problem."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.1.2.1.1.3 P71 L19 # 481
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A Cu STF
 loss of power also supported by 2BASE-TL no reason for removing SHDSL part
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove limitation to 10PASS-TS
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.11 P59 L23 # 24
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The attribute aOAMRemoteFlagsField needs rules for update added as it is a reception based attribute.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Suggest the following test be added:

This value is updated on reception of a valid frame with (1) a destinationField equal to the reserved multicast address for Slow_Protocols specified in Table 43B-1, (2) lengthOrType field value equal to the reserved Type for Slow_Protocols as specified in Table 43B-2, (3) a Slow_Protocols subtype value equal to the subtype reserved for OAM as specified in Table 43B-3.;

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.11 P59 L31 # 244
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The Flags field is present in every OAMPDU. This attribute should be updated according to the last received OAMPDU of any code value.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "received Local Information TLV" to "received OAMPDU"
 Also need to add the associated 'when updated etc' text. Add
 "This value is updated on reception of a valid frame, with (1) destinationField equal to the reserved multicast address for Slow_Protocols specified in Table 43B-1, (2) lengthOrType field value equal to the reserved Type for Slow_Protocols as specified in Table 43B-2, (3) a Slow_Protocols subtype value equal to the subtype reserved for OAM as specified in Table 43B-3, (4) the OAM code equals one of the codes as specified in Table 57-4."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.12 P59 L47 # 245
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Need to be a little more specific on where the Revision field is.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "Figure 57-10) of the most recently transmitted" to "Figure 57-10) in the Local Information TLV of the most recently transmitted"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.13 P60 L4 # 246
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Need to be a little more specific on where the Revision field is.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "Figure 57-10) of the most recently transmitted" to "Figure 57-10) in the Local Information TLV of the most recently transmitted"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.1.35 P66 L6 # 247
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Typo.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "Errored Symbol field" to "Errored Symbols field"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.1.38 P67 L6 # 599
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 The configuration description doesn't match the event. It should say that it is measured over a given number of frames as in 57.5.3.3.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change first paragraph in BEHAVIOR to:
 The first integer is a four-octet value indicating the duration of the Errored Frame Period Event (see 57.5.3.3) window, in terms of the number of frames in the window.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.1.39 P67 L11 # 25
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The third and fourth integers are in the wrong order.
 SuggestedRemedy
 The third and fourth integers should read:
 The third INTEGER represents the Errored Frame Threshold field
 The fourth INTEGER represents the Errored Frames field
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.1.39 P67 L19 # 248
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Relocate third integer below the fourth to preserve same sequence as in c57.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Move line 19 for Errored Frames to below line 20 for Errored Frame Threshold and re-number.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.11.1.1.4 P57 L26 # 598
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 C30 combines send_local_remote_1 and send_local_remote_2 from the discovery state machine into one state. These states have distinct meanings in the state diagram which should be exposed.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Break send_local_remote into 2 states in C30 (30.11.1.1.4)
 Rename the states in the discovery state machine to provide more meaningful monikers. Suggestion: send_local_remote and send_local_remote_approved(?)
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 The new states are send_local_remote and send_local_remote_ok.

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CI 30 SC 30.11.1.1.41 P67 L 5153 # 249
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Typo.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change the three occurrences of "Errored Frame Second..." to "Errored Frame Seconds..."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 30 SC 30.11.1.1.42 P68 L 11 # 26
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The third and fourth integers are in the wrong order.
 SuggestedRemedy
 The third INTEGER represents the Errored Symbol Threshold field
 The fourth INTEGER represents the Errored Symbols field
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 30 SC 30.11.1.1.42 P68 L 19 # 250
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Move Errored Symbols line below the Errored Symbol Threshold line to preserve alignment with c57.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Move line 19 for Errored Symbols below line 20 for the Errored Symbol Threshold and re-number.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 30 SC 30.11.1.1.6 P57 L 54 # 641
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status R
 Rogue Capitals
 SuggestedRemedy
 Lots of them.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

The capitalisation is consistent with that uses in Clause 57, the reference Clause for this attribute, and exactly matches that of the similar line found on page 58, line 16 which there is no comment against.

CI 30 SC 30.12.1.1.10 P73 L 32 # 642
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 aReomotePAFCapacity.;
 SuggestedRemedy
 aRemotePAFCapacity.; Run the spell checker.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 30 SC 30.12.1.1.11 P73 L 48 # 482
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A Cu STF
 cross reff points to local PME available register, there is no clause 45 register which reflects the Far End capabilities
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove cross ref, add a note that this information can be provided by 'analyzing' the discovery process
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 The attribute aRemotePMEAvailable will be deleted.

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Cl 30 SC 30.12.1.1.12 P74 L 8 # 483
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A Cu STF
 cross ref points to local PME aggregate regsiter
 SuggestedRemedy
 update cross ref to 45.2.6.7, add a note that this information is valid when programming of PME aggregation on all link is finished
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Will correct the cross-ref only.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.1.1.3 P71 L 10 # 387
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
 Comment Type T Comment Status A Cu STF
 Values of noPMEAssigned and noPeerPMEPresent are not defined clearly.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add some explanatory text (also make sure that clause 45 has matching definitions) e.g:
 noPMEAssigned means that PAF is enabled but Aggregation register is all zeros (no modems assigned).
 Currently there's no limitation in the text that you have to have at least 1 bit set in the Aggregation.
 May be we should add that in.
 noPeerPMEPresent means that there was no answer during handshake initialization. It could also mean that the modem on the other end physically exists but was excluded from the aggregation as a result of Discovery (i.e. belongs to a different CPE already taken by another CO).
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 noPMEAssigned means that PAF is enabled but Aggregation register is all zeros (no modems assigned). noPeerPMEPresent means that there was no handshake message/tones were send by the remote end during initialization.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.2 P74 L 40 # 484
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A Cu STF
 Cross ref points to remote PMESNRMgn
 SuggestedRemedy
 update cross ref to 45.2.1.17 and add a respective object for remote SNR value
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 The cross-ref will be updated but the new attribute will not be added.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.3 P L # 38
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A Cu STF
 Text is currently incomplete - reads '(see XREF).;'.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Once TC coding violations register is added, complete this cross-reference.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See comment #198.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.3 P74 L 48 # 643
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 10Mb/s
 SuggestedRemedy
 10 Mb/s
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.3 P74 L 54 # 486
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A Cu STF
 missing cross ref
 SuggestedRemedy
 point to 45.2.6.9
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.3 P74 L 54 # 281
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A Cu STF
 see XREF
 SuggestedRemedy
 see where?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 See comment #198.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.4 P75 L 1 # 388
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A Cu STF
 aProfileSelect for 2BaseTL is defined to support a max of 4 values simultaneously. Should be 6 (for each region), see 63A.4.
 Also pointers to 62A.3 and 63A.3 are given (with a wrong hyperlinks) instead of 62A.3.7 and 63A.4 respectively.
 In addition to that 63A.3.7 defines only a single Complete Profile. Didn't we agree in Vancouver to have them defined?
 Finally note that writing a list of profiles for 2BaseTL would result (after a few minutes) in selection of a single profile or even none at all (on extremely long lines for example). The reading operation would probably return a list of integers in the beginning (or N/A?) and then a single value (current operating profile) with no possibility to retrieve original list. Is this what we want? Also value for failure is not specified.
 SuggestedRemedy
 - Specify that aProfileSelect for 2BaseTL should support a max of 6 values simultaneously.
 - Fix references and hyperlinks to 62A and 63A
 - Define a list of Complete Profiles for 10PassTS (either in 62A [preferably] or in Clause 30)
 - Define a value for ProfileSelect failure
 - May be we should have another attribute which would be read only: aOperatingProfile
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Define that aProfileSelect support a max of 6 values.
 References to 62A and 63A will be fixed.
 The complete list of Profiles for 10PassTS is provided in Table 62B-1.
 A new attribute aOperatingProfile will be added.
 Values:
 [a] Single value for profile
 [b] If the value is zero, the achieved operating parameters do not match a defined complete profile (63A.1 and Table 62B-1).
 [c] 'Profile activate failure' is when the link failed to come up in any of the selected profiles (aProfileSelect)
 [d] Link not up - if the link is not up (see aPMESstatus)
 In oPME:
 Add aPMEAdminState - map to 45.2.1.11.1
 Add aPMESstatus - map to - PMA/PMD link status - map to 45.2.1.12

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Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.4 P75 L10 # 487
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status D Cu STF
 2BASE_TL PME does support all profiles
 SuggestedRemedy
 add a note that 4 profiles can be chosen for g.994.1 training sessions and the one with the highest data rate will be used
 Proposed Response Response Status Z
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.4 P75 L14 # 488
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A Cu STF
 after startup only 1 profile is used
 SuggestedRemedy
 change profile number to profile number
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See comment #388. A new attribute aOperatingProfile will be added that reports the current operating profile.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.4 P75 L18 # 489
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A Cu STF
 cross refs to tables just point to the 2BASE part
 SuggestedRemedy
 add cross refs to table for 10Pass if there are similar registers
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See comment #388.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.4 P75 L9 # 398
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 '10PASE-TS PME' should read '10PASS-TS PME'.
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.4 P75 L9 # 392
 kimpe, marc Adtran
 Comment Type T Comment Status A Cu STF
 The number of profiles was augmented from 4 to 6 for 2Base-TL
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change line 9 to : A 2BAse-TL supports a maximum of 6 values.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.13 P75 L24 # 22
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Move OMPEmulation managed object class to be 30.3.3, a subclass of DTE Management, as PHY device managed object class already is.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete subclass 30.13. Renummer subclass 30.13.1 to be subclass 30.3.3 and renumber all subsequent subclasses as required.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Renumber subclass 30.13.1 to be subclass 30.3.6.
 Renumber subclass 30.11 to be subclass 30.3.7.

Cl 30 SC 30.13.1.1.5 P76 L30 # 644
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 a OLT
 SuggestedRemedy
 an OLT
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 **SC 30.13.1.1.6** **P76** **L 42** # **645**
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E **Comment Status R**
 Unwanted trailing)
SuggestedRemedy
 Remove. Also on line 54.
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 REJECT.
 This format matches the IEEE style.

Cl 30 **SC 30.2.2.1** **P32** **L 1** # **99314**
 Grow, Robert Intel
Comment Type TR **Comment Status A** *D3.0 #537*
 oMACControlFunctionEntity is not completely removed from 802.3-2002 by the changes of 802.3ah.
SuggestedRemedy
 Remove reference in IEEE Std 802.3 Table 30-1c (pdf page 859, printed page 282) and 30A.4.1 pdf page 1063, printed page 486) -- requires redefinition of package.
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

On further examination it appears that the only mention of the oPAUSEEntity object in IEEE Std 802.3-2002 is in table 30-1c (page 834) and subclause 30.3.4. While the object name oMACControlFunctionEntity is not very descriptive of the attributes that it contains, the pause attributes, it will be far easier to preserve this object name than to change to oPAUSEEntity as this would impact the GDMO MIB in Annex 30A.

Based on this:

[1] Back out the changes that deleted oMACControlFunctionEntity and added oPAUSEEntity.

Instead:

[2] Change the text 'oPAUSEEntity managed object class (instance of oMACControlFunctionEntity) (30.3.4)' to simply read 'oMACControlFunctionEntity (30.3.4)'
 [3] Change the text 'This subclause formally defines the behaviours for the oPAUSEEntity managed object class attributes.' in subclause 30.3.4 'PAUSE entity managed object class' to read 'This subclause formally defines the behaviours for the oMACControlFunctionEntity managed object class attributes.'.

Cl 30 **SC 30.2.2.1** **P32** **L 30** # **402**
 Law, David 3Com
Comment Type TR **Comment Status A**
 The inclusion of the entire 30.2.2.1 text at draft D3.1 has introduced a couple of errors:
 [1] The managed object 'oPSEGroup' is missing.
 [2] The managed object 'oMidSpanGroup' seems to have been added.
SuggestedRemedy
 [1] Add the object 'oPSEGroup':
 oPSEGroup
 The PSE Group managed object class is a view of a collection of PSEs.
 [2] Delete the object 'oMidSpanGroup'.
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 **SC 30.2.2.1** **P33** **L 39** # **377**
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
Comment Type TR **Comment Status A** *Cu STF*
 oTC is described as providing PME Aggregation Function (PAF), while 61.1.4.1.3 states that "The PAF is located in the PCS, between the MAC-PHY Rate Matching function and the TC sublayer."
SuggestedRemedy
 Replace oTC definition with the following:
 "oPAF - The oPAF managed object class provides the management controls necessary for PME Aggregation Function sublayer to be managed."
 Replace "oTC" with "oPAF" in the definition of oPME (page 33, line 7).
 Replace "oTC" with "oPAF" in Figure 30-3 and in Table 30-5.
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 **SC 30.2.2.1.3** **P74** **L 47** # **485**
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
Comment Type T **Comment Status A** *Cu STF*
 max count is 19530 per second
SuggestedRemedy
 update value
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.2.5 P37 L 46 # 277
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 No need to cross out the reference.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Reinstate '(30.3.4)'.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.2.5 P38 L 15 # 278
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status R Cu STF
 I don't think the PME Aggregation Capability package should be mandatory, as it is new,
 and as I understand it, relevant to just a few port types.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Conditional?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 PME Management only has one capability, PME Aggregation hence when PME
 Management is implement that one capability has to be implement and is therefore
 mandatory.
 See also comment #378.

Cl 30 SC 30.2.5 P40 L 44 # 378
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A Cu STF
 PME Aggregation Capability is set as Mandatory. oPME attributes (e.g. PMESNRMgn) are
 shown to be a part of PME Aggregation Capability while clearly they are not and should be
 a part of 10P/2B capability.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add 10P/2B Package (Conditional).
 Make aPhyEnd, aPhyCurrentStatus, aPAFSupported, aRemotePAFSupported and all
 attributes of oPME to be part of the 10P/2B Package.
 Replace "PME Aggregation Capability (Mandatory)" with "PME Aggregation Package
 (Optional)". Put the rest of the oPAF attributes there (see my previous comment on oTC) .
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Will add a new 10P/2B Package to Table 30-5, this will contain the attributes aPMEID,
 aPMESNRMgn, aTCCodingViolations and aProfileSelect. This will be maditory. Add a new
 package Basic Package, this will contain aTCID, aPhyEnd, aPHYCurrentStatus and
 aPAFSupported and will be mandatory.
 PME Aggregation Capability will become optional.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1 P44 L 14 # 27
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The attribute aMPCPID is missing.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add the attribute aMPCPID that reads as follows:
 aMPCPID
 ATTRIBUTE
 APPROPRIATE SYNTAX:
 INTEGER
 BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS:
 The value of aMPCPID is assigned so as to uniquely identify an MPCP entity among the
 subordinate managed objects of the containing object.;
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1 P44 L14 # 28
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Include the string MPCP in all MPCP related attributes.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the text 'MPCP' after the initial 'a' to the following attribute names:

- aTxGate
- aTxRegAck
- aTxRegister
- aTxRegRequest
- aTxReport
- aRxGate
- aRxRegAck
- aRxRegister
- aRxRegRequest
- aRxReport

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.13 P47 L42 # 31
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Missing condition for incrementing this counter.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the condition '(1) a destinationField equal to the reserved multicast address for MAC Control specified in 31A', renumber the existing conditions as required.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.14 P48 L3 # 32
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Missing condition for incrementing this counter.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the condition '(1) a destinationField equal to the reserved multicast address for MAC Control specified in 31A', renumber the existing conditions as required.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.15 P48 L19 # 33
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Missing condition for incrementing this counter.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the condition '(1) a destinationField equal to the reserved multicast address for MAC Control specified in 31A', renumber the existing conditions as required.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The DA is the ONU Source address

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.16 P48 L35 # 34
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Missing condition for incrementing this counter.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the condition '(1) a destinationField equal to the reserved multicast address for MAC Control specified in 31A', renumber the existing conditions as required.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.17 P48 L 43 # 638

Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

"Empty line, font of lines 45-47."

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Can't find the error but when checking for it found the follow errors:

In subclause 30.3.5.1.9 'aTxRegAck' the text 'A count of the number of times a GATE MPCP frames transmission occurs.' should read 'A count of the number of times a REGISTER_ACK frames transmission occurs.'

In subclause 30.3.5.1.10 'aTxRegister' the text 'A count of the number of times a GATE MPCP frames transmission occurs.' should read 'A count of the number of times a REGISTER MPCP frames transmission occurs.'

In subclause 30.3.5.1.11 'aTxRegRequest' the text 'A count of the number of times a GATE MPCP frames transmission occurs.' should read 'A count of the number of times a REGISTER_REQ MPCP frames transmission occurs.'

In subclause 30.3.5.1.12 'aTxReport' the text 'A count of the number of times a GATE MPCP frames transmission occurs.' should read 'A count of the number of times a REPORT MPCP frames transmission occurs.'

In subclause 30.3.5.1.13 'aRxGate' the text 'A count of the number of times a REPORT MPCP frames reception occurs.' should read 'A count of the number of times a GATE MPCP frames reception occurs.'

In subclause 30.3.5.1.14 'aRxRegAck' the text 'A count of the number of times a REPORT MPCP frames reception occurs.' should read 'A count of the number of times a REGISTER_ACK MPCP frames reception occurs.'

In subclause 30.3.5.1.15 'aRxRegister' the text 'A count of the number of times a REPORT MPCP frames reception occurs.' should read 'A count of the number of times a REGISTER MPCP frames reception occurs.'

In subclause 30.3.5.1.16 'aRxRegRequest' the text 'A count of the number of times a REPORT MPCP frames reception occurs.' should read 'A count of the number of times a REGISTER_REQ MPCP frames reception occurs.'

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.17 P48 L 51 # 35

Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Missing condition for incrementing this counter.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the condition '(1) a destinationField equal to the reserved multicast address for MAC Control specified in 31A', renumber the existing conditions as required.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.6 P45 L 43 # 29

Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Suggest changed wording to match similar attributes.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the text 'This counter is incremented when a MA_CONTROL.request ...' to read 'Increment counter by one when a MA_CONTROL.request ...'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.6 P45 L47 # 396
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status R PONs

Is an increment rate of 1 600 000 counts per second correct. Can these MAC Control frames really be generated at line rate.

SuggestedRemedy

Check what the real maximum rate is and update as required.

Also check rate for the attributes:

- aMPCPMACCtrlFramesTransmitted
- aMPCPMACCtrlFramesReceived
- aTxGate
- aTxRegAck
- aTxRegister
- aTxRegRequest
- aTxReport
- aRxGate
- aRxRegAck
- aRxRegister
- aRxRegRequest
- aRxReport

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REJECT.

Cl 30 SC 30.3.5.1.7 P46 L1 # 30
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Suggest changed wording to match similar attributes.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the text 'This counter is incremented when a ReceiveFrame function call returns a valid frame with: (1) a ...' to read 'Increment counter by one when a ReceiveFrame function call returns a valid frame with: (1) a ...'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.14 P48 L10 # 99315
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #543

Cut and paste with incomplete edits? The APPROPRIATE SYNTAX of aFECCorrectedBlocks and aFECUncorrectableBlocks are not consistent in either maximum increment rates or in specification of both 10 Mb/s and 1000 Mb/s

SuggestedRemedy

It seems like the Corrected and Uncorrectable counts should have the same maximum increment rate and applicability to same speeds.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

This was an incomplete edit.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.12 P54 L46 # 23
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

The attribute aPCSCodingViolation should be moved from the MAU to the PHYEntity as it is now part of the RS.

SuggestedRemedy

Move the attribute aPCSCodingViolation to be in the PHYEntity.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.12 P54 L 46 # 280
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status R

I'm puzzled by this counter. It will count detectably errored code-groups within frames - I don't think it counts errored idles (not sure about errored /C/? We already have a FrameCheckSequenceErrors counter which will count once per errored frame (max approx 15000 bits on the line or 90000 for RPR). If we had more than one error per frame except very occasionally, the error rate (after any FEC) would be approx 10^-5 or worse - we don't need to know how much worse.

Also this counter will miss many 4B/5B errors, as the 4B/5B code doesn't have very good error detection. It will miss some 8B/10B errors. But a total of the FCS check counter plus the other frame-oriented counters e.g. aAlignmentErrors will catch them. So for half-way usable or good links, aPCSCodingViolation will under-estimate the number of errors.

Further, this counter will run up to silly numbers on a burst, masking any information about the quality of the link.

And it makes the management of different speeds more different than it need be, as this counter seems to apply to some but not all port types.

SuggestedRemedy

If this counter is needed for anything (maybe it is needed for 10P/2B?) then explain, and give a reference, and reconsider how it interacts with FEC. Also add a throttle, at least optionally: could say that counting one for any block of 1000 octets is acceptable (SONET uses block checking), as is ignoring up to 1000 octets after an error (ESCON uses this blanking method).

If the counter is not needed, get rid of it.

Proposed Response REJECT. Response Status C

It has always been understood that this count is not an accurate indication of the quality of the link.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.13 P55 L 17 # 640
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Rogue capital

SuggestedRemedy

Forward s/b forward

Proposed Response ACCEPT. Response Status C

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.15 P55 L 50 # 36
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type TR Comment Status A Cu STF

This counter cannot support the 10PASS-TS PHY since this counter is a per PHY counter, a count of FEC corrected blocks for the 10PASS-TS PHY would be a per PME counter and would need to be added to the PME object if require. In addition even if the attribute were to be provided there is no Clause 45 register to support it.

SuggestedRemedy

[1] Change the text 'For 10PASS-TS and 1000BASE-PX PHYs, a count of corrected ...' to read 'For 1000BASE-PX PHYs, a count of corrected ...'.

[2] Remove the text relating to increment rate for 10Mb/s.

Proposed Response ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Response Status C

In addition add this counter to the PME object.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.16 P L # 37
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type TR Comment Status A Cu STF

This counter cannot support the 10PASS-TS PHY since this counter is a per PHY counter, a count of FEC uncorrected blocks for the 10PASS-TS PHY would be a per PME counter and would need to be added to the PME object if require. In addition even if the attribute were to be provided there is no Clause 45 register to support it.

SuggestedRemedy

[1] Change the text 'For 10PASS-TS and 1000BASE-PX PHYs, a count of uncorrected ...' to read 'For 1000BASE-PX PHYs, a count of uncorrected ...'.

[2] Remove the text relating to increment rate for 10Mb/s.

Proposed Response ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Response Status C

In addition add this counter to the PME object.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.2 P52 L 15 # 479
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

link to MAU type to register defined in clause 45 in case of 2BASE-TL/10PASS-TS missing

SuggestedRemedy

add link to 45.2.1.1 (PMA/PMD) and to 45.2.3.1 (PCS) for 10PASS/2BASE

Proposed Response ACCEPT. Response Status C

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Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.4 P52 L40 # 597
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D** Cu STF

We added a "available reduced" state to the aMediaAvailable, but I don't see how to interpret it.

One doesn't really know the aggregate group to which a PME belongs unless the PME is thru handshaking so that the discovery process completed and the discovery registers exchanged. If it was up, once you get a link fault, you don't know that the discovery information for that PME is valid any more, so you can't just say that group is operating at reduced capacity - that PME may have been reassigned. And if the PME was never up, then you don't know which aggregate group it should belong to, and you can't determine which group is "reduced".

I guess every PCS to which a PME is mapped in the available register could be called reduced, but that doesn't seem right either.

SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate "available_reduced" or clarify how it works given the dynamic/discovered relationship between PMEs and their aggregates.

Proposed Response Response Status **Z**
 WITHDRAWN.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.4 P53 L43 # 480
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **R** Cu STF

not clear how the other enumeration types which are not covered by this paragraph map (i.e. PCS link fault, remote fault,..)

SuggestedRemedy

add a note that other enumerates are not supported by 2BASE/10PASS

Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 REJECT.

The mapping is from the PHY type to the enumerations - if an enumeration is not covered for a particular PHY type it cannot occur.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.6 P54 L28 # 276
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

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

This doesn't say what is meant: 'While a 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL PMA/PMD is initializing, this bit shall also indicate link down (see 45.2.1.12).' In addition to what? Indicating (receive) link down is what it does anyway. I think the intent is that the bit should be in receive-link-down state when initializing even if the receive link is up. Or it might be that the bit should indicate during initialization as well as at other times.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete 'also', insert 'receive'.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 REJECT.

This appears this comment is against text that appears in Clause 45. A duplicate comment has been entered against Clause 45 (#45001).

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.6 P54 L28 # 271
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

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

This doesn't say what is meant: 'Note that this counter will only increment for 10Mb/s baseband and broadband MAUs.' As opposed to decrement, I presume.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to:
 Note that this counter will increment for 10 Mb/s baseband and broadband MAUs only.
 And see editorial comment.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.1.6 P54 L28 # 272
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Editorials on: 'Note that this counter will only increment for 10Mb/s baseband and broadband MAUs.'

1. Needs space between 10 and Mb/s
2. It would be better to clarify exactly which 10 Mb/s MAUs are and aren't affected. Either spell out these MAUs by name: 10BASE5, 10BASE2 and so on (8 of them?), or say that 10PASS-TS does not use jabber.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to:
 Note that this counter will increment for 10 Mb/s baseband and broadband MAUs only (not for 10PASS-TS).

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The space will be added between 10 and Mb/s.

The intention of using the terms Baseband and Broadband was to avoid having to list a whole set of 100, 1000 and 10G PHYs that do not increment the counter - listing 10PASS-TS as a special exception seems odd and will mean we have to list every Passband PHY in the future.

Cl 30 SC 30.5.1.3.1 P54 L32 # 273
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

This subclause is out of place. It should be on p56, after 30.5.1.1.16

SuggestedRemedy

Please move it.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC 31.12.2.1.3 P74 L54 # 198
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

Comment Type E Comment Status A Cu STF

Missing cross-reference.

SuggestedRemedy

Cross-reference should be: "10P/2B TC encapsulation error counter" 45.2.6.9.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 30 SC Table 30-1b P37 L5 # 395
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A

The editing instruction found on Page 48 of IEEE Std 802.3ae-2002 that reads 'In Tables 30-1a, 30-1b, 30-1c, 30-1d, and 30-1e, change the DTE and MAU column heading "100/1000 Mb/s Monitor Capability (Optional)" to read "PHY Error Monitor Capability (Optional)." has not been implemented in the excerpts of tables 30-1b and 30-1c shown in IEEE P802.3ah.

Note - It seem this instruction wasn't carried out in the excerpt table 30-1b shown in IEEE Std 802.3ae-2002 either which may have lead to this error.

SuggestedRemedy

[1] A change should be added that states 'In Tables 30-1a, 30-1b, 30-1c, 30-1d, and 30-1e, change the DTE column heading '100/1000 Mb/s Monitor Capability (optional)' to read "PHY Error Monitor Capability (optional)"

[2] The DTE column heading '100/1000 Mb/s Monitor Capability (optional)' for the excerpts of 30-1b and 30-1c shown be change to read "PHY Error Monitor Capability (optional)"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 30A SC 30A.20.2 P167 L17 # 400
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The attribute is names 'aOAMLocalErrFrameConfig' yet the arc is named '... oamLocalErrFrameSecsConfig(266)' and the behaviour '(No Suggestions) the arc to be named '... oamLocalErrFrameConfig(266)' and the behaviour 'bOAMLocalErrFrameConfig;'.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

bOAMLocalErrFrameSecsConfig -> bOAMLocalErrFrameConfig in two cases.
 oamLocalErrFrameSecsConfig -> oamLocalErrFrameConfig.

Cl 30A SC 30A.8.1 P144 L13 # 399
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Changes to subclause 30A.8.1 and 30A.8.2 proceed changes to 30A.4.2.

SuggestedRemedy

Re-order these changes so that the changes to 30A.4.2 come first.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 30B SC 30B P176 L # 302
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Subscribe
 SuggestedRemedy
 Subscriber
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 31A SC P181 L 23 # 194
 Kramer, Glen Teknovus
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Table 31A-3:
 Text in the Interpretation column is inaccurate and ambiguous.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Use the following description
 start: Time when transmission should be initiated
 length: Interval of time during which transmission is allowed
 arrive: Indicates that a grant was received and is queued for future activation
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 31A SC P181 L 32 # 193
 Kramer, Glen Teknovus
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Table 31A-3:
 description of force_report is inaccurate.
 "The OLT expects the ONU to generate a REPORT at the next transmission opportunity following this indication."
 When GATE message is received, each grant is indicated to the MAC Control client, including any grant with force_report=true. However, there may be many transmission opportunities before this grant becomes active.
 SuggestedRemedy
 "The OLT expects the ONU to transmit a REPORT message during the transmission opportunity identified by start and length fields."
 Same change for the "force_report = false" table entry.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 31A SC P182 L 14 # 195
 Kramer, Glen Teknovus
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Text "Indicates amount or pending transmission in the corresponding queue" is confusing and ambiguous.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Use the following text
 "Indicates amount of data waiting in the corresponding queue including the associated transmission overhead"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 31A SC 31A P180 L 18 # 279
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type T Comment Status R
 Does unidirectional mode inhibit the use of PAUSE? Which takes precedence, the far end telling a station to stop transmitting frames, or the OAM layer saying it may? Does 'non-control frames' in table 31A-1 exclude OAM frames or just MCPC frames? Table 31A-2 mentions 'data frames' - should the terminology be aligned?
SuggestedRemedy
 57.1.5.3 seems clearer. If it's right, clarify 31A?
Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 Layering model enforces the priorities: If the lower layer says the service is available, the upper layer may use it, not the other way around.

Cl 31A SC 31A P181 L 26 # 303
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Grammar
SuggestedRemedy
 Change 'was' to 'has been'.
Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 31A SC 31A P182 L 50 # 304
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E Comment Status A
 is a requested ?
SuggestedRemedy
 is requested? has been requested? Also font size in central column.
Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Is requested

Cl 43B SC 43B P185 L 56 # 654
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Wrong year
SuggestedRemedy
 s/b 2004
Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45 P79 L 1 # 403
 Law, David 3Com
Comment Type TR Comment Status A done
 Please add a register to support the aPHYCurrentStatus attribute (30.12.1.1.3).
 As part of this clarification of the value 'noPMEAssigned' and 'noPeerPMEPresent' should be clarified.
 'noPMEAssigned'
 Does it mean that the physical layer is not up or does it mean that the PME Aggregation register has just 1 bit set with the PAF enable bit not set (no PAF) or does it relate to something else?
 'noPeerPMEPresent'
 Again, it is not clear to what condition this relates to, is it that the physical link is not up, that the remote TC is not synchronized or is it intended to use some PMD parameter or is it the result of the discovery phase, saying there is no link to be aggergatable with the selected one??
SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Line attenuation violation applies only to 2BASE (derived from 1.99.13)
 SNRviolation derived from 1.99.13 for 2B and 1.68.8 for 10P
 noPMEAssigned was handled in a clause 30 comment
 noPeerPMEPresent can be derived from 1.31.2:0=000 [link is down (not ready)]

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Cl 45 SC 45 P79 L6 # 647
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 10Gb/s
 SuggestedRemedy
 10 Gb/s
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45 P79 L6 # 646
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Draft 4.0 of IEEE P802.3ak?
 SuggestedRemedy
 s/b at least draft 5.3
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 s/b "IEEE Std 802.3ak-2004"

Cl 45 SC 45 P80 L1 # 39
 David Law 3Com
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A done
 The TC coding violations register is missing. In subclause 61.3.3.7.2 'Receive state diagram', the specific text reads:
 TC_coding_error
 when this signal is asserted, the Coding violation counter register is incremented (see 45.2.3.17). The default value of this variable is FALSE; it returns to FALSE on every state transition.
 Unfortunately when I look at 45.2.3.17 it is the '10P/2B capability register' so this seems to be broken. A search of Clause 45 for the 'Coding violation counter' referenced in subclause 61.3.3.7.2 didn't report anything, nor do a search of Clause 45 for a counter that looked like it might be the Coding violation counter.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add the TC coding violations counter to Clause 45.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See 254

Cl 45 SC 45 P80 L11 # 274
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Need space between 1000 and Mb/s
 SuggestedRemedy
 Insert space
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.1 P80 L11 # 282
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Missing space
 SuggestedRemedy
 1000 Mb/s
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.1 P80 L11 # 648
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 1000Mb/s
 SuggestedRemedy
 1000 Mb/s
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2 P80 L50 # 609
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Change "..the register contents.." to "..contents of the register pair.."
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2 P82 L7 # 83
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 The hash symbol should not be used.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace with "number".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1 P L # 254
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A done
 There's an XREF for the TPS-TC coding violations in 30.12.2.1.3. Basically, I think the variable is missing from C45, 45.2.1
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add a per-PME TPS-TC coding violation counter to C45, and correct the reference.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 The per TPS-TC coding violations register was added via the remedy to Comment #73 on D3.0. It is now found in 45.2.6.9 under the name "TC encapsulation error counter".
 Fix cross references to point to 45.2.6.9.
 Rename register to "TPS-TC coding violations register"
 Make the necessary changes in other clauses where this register is referenced (or attempted to reference)

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1 P76 L33 # 99327
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A o D3.0 #555
 Mixing control and status in a register is a bad idea. We have avoided that in the past. This register (and other registers like 1.22) are named control, but have a least one status bit.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Separate the control and status bits into different registers for all new registers.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.1 P85 L32 # 275
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 What's gone wrong here? The footnote in 802.3ae is right, what's here doesn't apply.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Footnote should be:
 R/W = Read/Write, SC = Self Clearing
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.11 P87 L21 # 431
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 SC = Self Clearing defined but not used
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.11.1 P86 L40 # 492
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A done
 Currently there is no mechanism defined for clearing down (NACK(CD)a g.994.1 session
 SuggestedRemedy
 define an appropriate bit Clear Down in 10P/2BPMD control register
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Add a bit to the 10P/2B PMD control register (steal from PMA/PMD type, bit 6).
 "Handshake cleardown"
 0 = normal
 1 = send clear down command (SC)
 Setting to a one is valid when: link is down and ready, otherwise ignored
 When set to one, the PMD shall issue a clear down command (see 61.4.8.3).
 Add the appropriate text in 61.4.8.3 to specify a NACK-CD cleardown when this bit is set.
 Also, add to 45.2.1.11.1:
 The PHY shall set this bit to a zero when the link goes down. . . Etc

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CI 45 SC 45.2.1.11.1 P86 L47 # 40
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 No PICS entry for the first "shall".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add a PICS entry for the first shall statement.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.11.1 P86 L48 # 41
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 No PICS entry for the "shall".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add a PICS entry for the shall statement.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.11.1 P86 L48 # 283
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status R done
 Ambiguous: is this sentence 'Upon MMD reset, this bit shall be set to zero.' an instruction to the MMD's implementer or its user (the STA)? Could be either for a R/W bit.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please clarify.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 Shalls cannot apply to the user.
 See description of register 1.0.15 (for example) for a generic description of reset functionality.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.11.2 P86 L53 # 284
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 only in the wrong place
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to 'Writing to this bit is valid only when ...'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.11.2 P86 L54 # 649
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Down
 SuggestedRemedy
 down
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.1.11.3 P87 L28 # 6
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 The table says that "silence time" is measured in seconds. It would be helpful if the description text also said this.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add "(in seconds)" between "time" and "is" at the end of the line.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 ". . .10 times the decimal value of the bits in seconds"
 "With the exception of zero, which corresponds to 640 seconds."

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.11.4 P87 L37 # 84
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

The statement "...is a traffic disruptive operation.." sounds awkward.

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

Replace with "...may corrupt the data on the link.."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to:

Changing this bit alters the fundamental operation of the PMA/PMD, therefore, writes to change this bit shall be ignored if the link is up or initializing

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.11.4 P87 L38 # 285
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Missing .

SuggestedRemedy

Add . Also in 45.2.1.18, 45.2.1.21, 45.2.1.22, 45.2.1.26, 45.2.1.41, 45.2.1.42, 45.2.1.43, 45.2.3.17.2, more.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.11.5 P87 L42 # 70
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

Correct '7' to be '6'.

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.11.5 P87 L51 # 424
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

missing word "be"

SuggestedRemedy

Change "may set" to "may be set"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.11.5 P87 L54 # 425
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Last sentence leaves behaviour of PHY's ambiguous in some instances.

SuggestedRemedy

Change from:

"If the "-R" is not capable of the "preferred" mode, the "-R" may behave as 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL respectively."

to:
 "If the "-R" is not capable of the "preferred" mode, the "-R" is set to 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL respectively."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.12 P88 L16 # 290
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

K = 1024

SuggestedRemedy

kb/s

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13 P89 L40 # 490
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status D done
 2BASE also provides CRC counter register
 SuggestedRemedy
 also provides useful information add CRC counter register for local and link partner
 Proposed Response Response Status Z
 WITHDRAWN.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13 P89 L49 # 613
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "send" to "sent"
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13 P89 L52 # 293
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 only defined. Not what? used?
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change this and its several clones to:
 This register is defined for "-O" port sub-types only.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13 P89 L54 # 491
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 not clear how link partner register 'react' on a read and how they are affected by MMD reset?
 SuggestedRemedy
 add a note that the behaviour of Link Partner register for read access and for MMD reset is exactly the same as for the local register
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13 P89 L7 # 111
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status R done
 It may be useful to add '(-O' PHY only)' to the subsection heading. Also apply to other register subsection headings that are for the -O PHY only. [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

The draft is technically correct, this "service to humanity" is not required at this stage.
 Footnotes have been added to the table headings to make this clearer without diving into the text of the register headings.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13.1 P77 L10 # 99328
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A o D3.0 #556
 The operation of these bits is not consistent with that previously used in 802.3. Control bits also be status bits is not a common function. STA if writing a valid value to a control register should be able to read that register and always get back the value written unless the device/MMD has been reset.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Redefine and separate the control and status functions of the bits and all similarly confusing bits.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13.1 P90 L18 # 113
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Suggest the text can be clarified. [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change '..one, the PHY updates all link partner..' to '..one, the '-O' PHY updates its link partner..'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13.1 P90 L 20 # 65
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 The word "must" is used here and on line 30.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to "shall" or "will".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 If the ". . ." operation does not complete within 10 seconds. . .

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13.2 P90 L 28 # 114
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Suggest the text can be clarified. [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change '..the PHY..' to '..the '-O' PHY..'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13.2 P90 L 29 # 606
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Incorrect reference.
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change reference "45.2.1.14" to "45.2.1.22"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.13.2. P90 L 29 # 432
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 wrong cross reference
 SuggestedRemedy
 change 45.2.1.14 to 45.2.1.21
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.14.1 P90 L 51 # 42
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 No PICS entry for the "shall".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add a PICS entry for the shall statement.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.15 P91 L 33 # 650
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Missing period
 SuggestedRemedy
 "Also p93 lines 6, 28, p107 line 6, 25 and 54 and more..."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.15 P91 L 37 # 433
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 remove 'CROSS REF'
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove 'CROSS REF'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.19 P92 L32 # 71
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add a reference to the clause that describes how this register is used.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.2.1 P73 L33 # 99329
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #547
 It is not clear in what context the added sentence applies.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to read: "For 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL operations, when read as one, a fault has been detected and more detailed . . ."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.2.2 P86 L5 # 45001
 Copied from C30 #276
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 This doesn't say what is meant: 'While a 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL PMA/PMD is initializing, this bit shall also indicate link down (see 45.2.1.12).' In addition to what? Indicating (receive) link down is what it does anyway. I think the intent is that the bit should be in receive-link-down state when initializing even if the receive link is up. Or it might be that the bit should indicate during initialization as well as at other times.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete 'also', insert 'receive'.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 "While a 10PASS-TS or 2BASE-TL PMA/PMD is initializing, this bit shall indicate receive link down (see 45.2.1.12)."

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.2.2 P86 L5 # 21
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There's an extra "shall" statement added here but no new, nor change to the existing, PICS entry is provided.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add an extra PICS entry or modify the existing PICS entry for subsection 45.2.1.2.2.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.21 P93 L1 # 5
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status R done
 There is no way an '-R' PHY can know when this register has been updated by an '-O' PHY. Maybe the '-R' PHY doesn't need to know. The '-O' PHY has register 1.33 to tell it when the link partner communication has completed.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Either define a default for bits 15-4 that is not a valid operational value (dangerous) so that the '-R' PHY can poll the register to see when it's been updated. Or, add a bit to register 1.41 that is set to a "1" when the '-O' PHY has written to it and is cleared to a "0" when the '-R' STA reads from the PHY.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 See 45.2.1.13.2.
 "When this bit is set to a one, the PHY sends the contents of the 2B link partner line quality thresholds register (see 45.2.1.14) to the link partner. While the operation is in progress, the PHY shall keep the bit set as one. The "Send Link partner parameters" operation must complete within 10 seconds, or its result shall be marked as "failed" (see 45.2.1.14) and the operation marked as "complete". After completion of the operation or upon reset, the PHY shall reset the bit to zero. A write to this bit when link is down shall cause the result to be marked as "failed" and the operation marked as "complete"."

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.21 P93 L21 # 72
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add a subclause with definitions for the loop attenuation threshold bits and the SNR margin threshold bits. Also reference the clause that uses these values.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.21 P93 L3 # 614
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Missing "s" off the end of "threshold"
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.21 P93 L4 # 493
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 10PASS-TS missing
 SuggestedRemedy
 add 10PASS-TS
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.23 P93 L39 # 73
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add a reference to the clause where the FEC counter is described.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.24 P94 L8 # 74
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add a reference to the clause where the FEC counter is described.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.25 P94 L19 # 607
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status R done
 Is this register actually the "10P/2B Electrical Length Register" ? (Like 1.48) If so, change the name here to the full name and update table 45-2 as well.
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 2B does not support electrical length.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.26 P94 L 40 # 494
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
Comment Type E Comment Status A done
2B does not support electrical length (as indicated in 45.2.1.25)
SuggestedRemedy
remove 2B in heading and following paragraph
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.27 P95 L 1 # 86
Law, David 3Com
Comment Type E Comment Status A done
The word "may" is a reserved word (See IEEE-SA Style Manual).
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13.1 Shall, should, may, and can

<snip>

The word may is used to indicate a course of action permissible within the limits of the standard (may equals is permitted).
[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy
Change "... may be ..." to "... are ...". Also line 21.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.28 P95 L 22 # 115
Law, David 3Com
Comment Type E Comment Status A done
Is this register for the -O PHY only? It seems to be. [Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy
If this register is for the -O PHY only, then add text to say 'This register is only for the '-O' port sub types' (as in other register descriptions).
Also possibly needed for: 45.2.1.29, 45.2.1.30, 45.2.1.31, 45.2.1.32, 45.2.1.36, 45.2.1.37, 45.2.1.38.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
All except .36, .37 and .38

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.3 P73 L 40 # 99330
Grow, Robert Intel
Comment Type TR Comment Status A o D3.0 #548
This paragraph in its current form is likely to generate interpretations requests. The section is about two registers yet it uses the phrase "this register", etc. If these registers are part of the Link Partner MMD, it can only have one value as well as bit definition and the paragraph is not needed, it can simply be referenced. If the Link Partner MMD can have a different value (e.g., the link partner's PMD/PMD device identifier), then it isn't the same registers but two different registers that have the same format.

SuggestedRemedy
Delete the added paragraph, and correct by adding a description of the registers in 45.7. Reference 1.2, 1.3 definitions for format rather than replicating.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
Change text to read "these registers"
Change text
"this register is a member of the Link Partner PMA/PMD MMD."
to read
"Therefore, the Link Partner PMA/PMD MMD also contains PMA/PMD device identifier registers with the same format described here."

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.3.6 P100 L32 # 12
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There is only a subsection definition for the bit "Refresh status".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections with definition text for all the other bits in the register.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.32 P97 L4 # 617
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change ".for 10P.." to ".. for the 10P.."
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.30 P96 L19 # 8
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There is no subclause (i.e. 45.2.1.30.1) to define the behaviour of bit 1.53.0.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add a subsection with a description of the behaviour of this bit.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.36 P99 L33 # 87
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 The abbreviation "who's" is for "who is" and is incorrect in this instance.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace with "whose" meaning "belonging to".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.32 P97 L1 # 9
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There is no subsection to define the behaviour of bit 1.56.0.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add a subsection with a description of the behaviour of this bit.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.36.1 P100 L32/33 # 608
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 The bit "Refresh tone table" does not exist in register 1.64 Is it the "Refresh tone status" bit ? If so, change the text here.
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Change to "tone status bit"

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.38 P101 L47 # 286
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Punctuation.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to:
 PMA (see 62.2.4.3).
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.4 P103 L23 # 389
 kimpe, marc Adtran
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A done
 SHDSL.bis specifies up to 8 data ranges while this register restrict it to only 4.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change from 4 to 8 data ranges and update the registers to reflect 8 range.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 See 555

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.4 P103 L23 # 555
 Schneider, Kevin Adtran
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A done
 SHDSL.bis specifies up to 8 data ranges while this register restrict it to only 4.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change from 4 to 8 data ranges and update the registers to reflect 8 range.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P103 L19 # 619
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status R done
 Change "..set.." to "..sets.."
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 Text already reads "sets"

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P103 L21 # 2
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Use of the word "peer". Change to "link partner" ?
 Check chapter for other occurrences and change.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change all occurrences of "peer" to "link partner".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P103 L 25 # 495
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status A done

If at least one data rate range is specified with different min and max data rates, the peer PMA/PMDs perform line probing'. Not clear on which data rates line probing should take place, what the PMMS probe duration should be. Additionally each SHDSL PHY requests product specific probes from the other side

SuggestedRemedy

remove sentence and add PMMS bit in i.e. 2B general parameter register. The description of the bit shall mention when enabled that the SHDSL PHY selects data rates and probe duration based on the ranges defined in the 2B PMD parameters register.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Line probe bit R/W
 0 = don't use line probe (default)
 1 = use line probe

Description of the bit mentions that enabling line probing causes the PHY to select data rates and probe duration. See 63.3

Need a bit to set the noise environment
 "Noise environment" R/W
 0 = worst case (default)
 1 = current condition

The setting in the noise environment bit is only used when line probing (ref) is enabled. This bit sets the reference noise used in line probing.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P103 L 26 # 620
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Change "..PMMS, link.." to "..PMMS, the link.."

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P103 L 29 # 287
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Please don't introduce more nerdy notation for machines into this standard! The main text is to be written in human language.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace == with 'is' or 'equals'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Use "equals"

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P103 L 29 # 621
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Too many "=" symbols (C notation?). Change "==" to "=" in two places here and anywhere else it appears in C45.

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

see 287

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P103 L 30 # 622
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Change "..and link.." to "..and the link.."

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P104 L11 # 288
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Consistency.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace all instances of 'kbps' with 'kb/s'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P104 L23 # 497
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Power already defined by Annex and data rate, additional specification not necessary
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove power fields in 2B PMD register, align additionally all fields to 8 bit boundary
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Add bit description to Power fields:
 "The power values set in these bits override those of the Annex selected in . . .)

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P104 L25 # 496
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 not clear what automatic means
 SuggestedRemedy
 add description that automatic means the selection of the constellation is up to the PHY
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P104 L8 # 498
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status R done
 the -R device needs also write access to 2B PMD register in order to limit ranges to its capabilities
 SuggestedRemedy
 allow the -R device also read access to this register
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

The mode is always set by the -O. All compliant 2BASE-TL PHYs must support all modes.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.40 P105 L40 # 499
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 not clear where the current data rate should be put in
 SuggestedRemedy
 define a new register (16 bit) which contains the negotiated data rate (8 bit) and the constellation (8 bit)
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Current data rate is found in 1.31.15:5.
 Add a register for negotiated constellation at the end of the 2BASE register set.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.42 P106 L16 # 291
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Never decrement? only in the wrong place.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change 'its value will only increment when refreshed.' to 'its value will increment only when refreshed.' Also in 45.2.1.46, 45.2.1.48 and other places.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.43 P106 L31 # 292
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Font size, .
 SuggestedRemedy
 Also in 45.2.1.45 and other places.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.43 P106 L39 # 500
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 non roll over behaviour is not described
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove NR
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.49 P108 L7 # 501
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 counter is 8 bit wide
 SuggestedRemedy
 8.bit counter
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3. P112 L7 # 434
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Register 3.72 appears twice
 SuggestedRemedy
 change PAF lost end from 72 to 73, change start of reserved registers accordingly
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.17 P114 L5 # 294
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 This sentence is incorrect: 'The 10P/2B capability register controls general functions of the PHY.'. Because that's what a control register is for. A capability register reports capability, doesn't control.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change 'controls' to 'reports' or similar.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

'The 10P/2B capability register reports which functions are supported by the PCS.'
 Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.17.2 P114 L33 # 611
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Change "..attempted.." to "..completed.."
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.18 P114 L48 # 651
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 simultaneously. (default)
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove the .
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.18 P114 L 54 # 435
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 typo: R/O instead of RO
 SuggestedRemedy
 change R/O to RO
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.18 P115 L 22 # 503
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status R done
 term 'link established' is just local, how do I set the PAF enable side on the -R device?
 SuggestedRemedy
 currently no mechanism defined for setting the PAF enable of the -R device, set this bit as soon as I start programming PME aggregation, data transfer will be started as soon as TC_synchronized become true
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

The use of the PAF, if supported by the -R, is always determined by the -O.
 PAF is also enabled in the -R when the link partner aggregate data is sent by the -O using the TC MMD.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.18.1 P115 L 6 # 295
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Are bits 3.61.15 and 3.61.14 control or capability bits? The description is like capability, but R/W and placement in a control register imply control.
 SuggestedRemedy
 If they are control bits, add the corresponding capability bits to Table 45-42a.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

These are control bits that tell the PHY how the MAC (RS, actually) will behave.
 45.2.3.18.1 is unambiguous (sp?)
 45.2.3.18.2 is unclear. Change text to read:
 "This bit is set by the STA to tell the MAC-PHY rate matching function that the MAC-PHY interface does not have a separate. . ."

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.19 P115 L 28 # 504
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 register is a PCS register therefore not the PME is queried but the PCS
 SuggestedRemedy
 replace queried PME with PME connected/attached to the queried PCS
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.19 P115 L 31 # 43
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 No PICS entry for the "shall".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add a PICS entry for the shall statement.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.19 P115 L 33 # 116
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Too many eses in 'theses'. [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.19 P115 L38 # 76
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status R done

The word 'may' is a reserved word and probably not what is intended here.

From the IEEE-SA Style manual:

13. Word usage
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13.1 Shall, should, may, and can

<snip>

The word may is used to indicate a course of action permissible within the limits of the standard (may equals is permitted).

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

Is this really a permitted option - if not the text may need to be reworded.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The point is really that it doesn't matter what happens to these registers if the -R doesn't support PME. The 'may' is only useful? information for the implementer.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.2.2. P113 L26 # 502
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

not clear whether in an application with i.e. 4 PMA/PMD all TCsynchronized signals have to be active or at minimum 1 is sufficient

SuggestedRemedy

add a note, that in case of more TCs at least 1 TC sublayer is synchronized for setting this bit to one

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add an example:

"For example, when 4 TCs are attached to the PCS, this bit is set to a one while any of the 4 TCs are synchronized."

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.20 P116 L28 # 505
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

shouldn't MMD reset 'turn the PAF off'?? If yes, after reset this register should be '0'

SuggestedRemedy

reset value of '0', consider PAF enable bit

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

An enable bit is not required, setting any bits to a one will enable PAF.

Reset value = 0

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.21 P116 L54 # 436
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

PAF RX error counter: should currently be present (and used, I suppose) even if PAF is not implemented. This is a contradiction to page 366, line 31 (there is defined that when PAF is not available or not enabled no PAF error detecting rules are applied).

SuggestedRemedy

harmonize

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Mention in 45.2.3.21 through 45.2.3.28 that these registers are inactive when PAF is unsupported or disabled. They retain their previous values if PAF is disabled.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.26 P118 L 42 # 437
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

PAF lost fragment register should currently not be incremented when coding violation counter was incremented for a fragment.

This is only reasonable if exactly one fragment is discarded because of a coding violation; but PAF lost fragment has also only to be set once if more fragments are missing (possibly for different reasons like TC-CRC-error or loss of sync in one of the TCs). So it makes no sense to handle this very special case.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove sentence 'If the coding violation counter register (see 45.2.3.17) is incremented for a fragment, this register is not incremented for the same fragment'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Additionally, there is no signal from the TC to the PAF to indicate a coding violation on a per fragment basis

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.26 P118 L 42 # 77
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

Can't find the register in the cross reference (45.2.3.17). Broken reference? or incorrect register?

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Point to TC encap error register in MMD #6

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6 P112 L 13 # 506
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

TC control register missing (for i.e. reset which is used in TC synchronization state machines - see 61.3.3.5.1)

SuggestedRemedy

add TC control register, with at least the reset bit defined

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

To be included as part of the TC sublayer control register in MMD #6

See TR by David Law

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.10 P126 L 22 # 443
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

wrong cross reference

SuggestedRemedy

fix it

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.3 P122 L 10 # 117
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

While 'please' is polite, its not IEEE style. [Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

Delete 'please'.

Also on page 123, line 54.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

pardon me.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.3.1 P122 L 43 # 624
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Add an "s" to the end of "return"
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.3.1 P123 L 1 # 79
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 '1.32.13' is incorrect. Change to '6.17.0'
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.3.1. P123 L 1 # 439
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 wrong cross reference
 SuggestedRemedy
 change 1.32.13 to 6.17.0
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.4. P123 L 7 # 440
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 '10P/2B aggregation discovery status register' is only defined for -O-Ports. This sentence is missing
 SuggestedRemedy
 add this sentence
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.4.1 P123 L 22 # 438
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Result of 'Link Partner Aggregation' is merged into discovery status register. These are separate functions, justifying an own '10P/2B Link Partner PME aggregate status' register.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Create '10P/2B Link Partner PME aggregate status' register. Adapt Table 45-59a accordingly.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Change name of register to "Aggregation and discovery operation status register"

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.4.1 P123 L 28 # 80
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 '..shall read as zero..' would be better as '..shall remain set to zero..' Also on line 41.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.5 P123 L 54 # 507
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Not clear whether this register contains after g.994.1 sessions the value of remote_discovery_registers received from the -R device
 SuggestedRemedy
 add a note that these register store the value of remote_discovery_registers received from the -R device
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.6.1 P124 L 44 # 81
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 '1.22.1:0' is incorrect. Change to '1.21.1:0'.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 s/b 6.21.1:0

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.6.1 P125 L 2 # 118
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Add 's' to end of 'return'. [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.7. P125 L 33 # 441
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 wrong register name in table
 SuggestedRemedy
 change to link partner PME aggregate data
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.8 P125 L 43 # 119
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Better than '..as in 61.2.3' is '..defined in 61.2.3'.
 Also on page 126, line 4. [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.9 P126 L 3 # 625
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "..number 64/64 octet .." to "..number of 64/64 octet.."
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Actually, change to "number of 64/65 octet"
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Cl 45 SC 45.2.6.9. P126 L7 # 442
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 TC encapsulation error counter register: add a hint that this register is incremented for each TC_coding_error signal defind in clause 61.
 SuggestedRemedy
 add a hint that this register is incremented for each TC_coding_error signal defind in clause 61.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.7 P127 L22 # 296
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 capital
 SuggestedRemedy
 put 'Buffer' into lower case - several occurrences.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.7.2.1 P127 L52 # 126
 Brown, Benjamin Independent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R done
 According to the second paragraph in section 11 of the IEEE Standards Style Manual, Clauses and subclauses shall be divided into further subclauses only when there is to be more than one subclause. In other words, clauses and subclauses should not be broken down into further subclauses if another subclause of the same level does not exist.
 SuggestedRemedy
 This subclause cannot stand alone. Either create a peer subclause for the reserved bits or make this description part of 45.2.7.2.

Doing a quick check through the clause shows there are lots of places like this.

- 45.2.1.25.1
- 45.2.1.27.1
- 45.2.1.28.1
- 45.2.1.36.1
- 45.2.6.3.1
- 45.2.6.6.1
- 45.2.7.2.1
- 45.2.7.3.1

Proposed Response Response Status Z
 WITHDRAWN.

Clause 45 in 802.3ae-2002 already sets this precedent. (see 45.2.1.4.1, for example)

Cl 45 SC 45.2.7.3. P128 L12 # 444
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 wrong description for FEC enable
 SuggestedRemedy
 change to 1 = enable, 0 = disable
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Correct the table

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Cl 45 SC 45.2.7.3.1 P128 L21 # 652
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 an PHY
 SuggestedRemedy
 a PHY
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.15 P136 L33 # 60
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to the "feature" column of TC10.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.16 P137 L13 # 61
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to the "feature" column of TC18.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.16 P137 L18 # 62
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to the "feature" column of TC20.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.16 P137 L23 # 63
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to the "feature" column of TC22.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.17 P137 L30 # 299
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 45.5.5.17 or 45.5.5.16?
 SuggestedRemedy
 45.5.5.16?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

s/b 16

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Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.17 P138 L14 # 297
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There seem to be several PICS entries marked as CTT:M which are FEC-specific. To save rework in a future project:
 SuggestedRemedy
 Consider creating a major option for FEC, status CTT:M, and change items CT5-11 to FEC:M.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P131 L8 # 44
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There is no "shall" statement for this PICS entry.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete this PICS entry.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P132 L10 # 45
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to MM17 "feature" column.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P132 L13 # 46
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to MM18 "feature" column.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P132 L16 # 47
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Change "45.2.1.25" to "45.2.1.25.1"
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P132 L22 # 48
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to MM21 "feature" column.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P132 L25 # 49
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to MM22 "feature" column.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P132 L32 # 52
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to MM25 "feature" column.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P132 L27 # 50
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to MM23 "feature" column.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.6 P133 L30 # 53
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Can't find "shall" statements for RM53, RM54, or RM55. Can't relate these PICS entries to the register bits in section 45.2.3.17.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Should items RM53, RM54, and RM55 be deleted ?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 delete them

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.3 P132 L29 # 51
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or reset" to MM24 "feature" column.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.6 P133 L40 # 298
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 0to
 SuggestedRemedy
 0 to
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.6 P133 L40 # 653
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 0to
 SuggestedRemedy
 0 to
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.6 P133 L43 # 55
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There's only one "shall" statement for RM57 and RM58.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Should item RM58 be deleted ?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Delete it

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.6 P133 L43 # 54
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Add "or initializing" to the "features" column.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.6 P133 L50 # 57
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There's no "shall" statement for RM59.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Should item RM59 be deleted ?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.6 P134 L3 # 58
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 RM61 and RM62 duplicate the same conditions.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Should item RM62 be deleted ?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 delete it

Cl 45 SC 45.5.5.6 P135 L29 # 59
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 No "shall" statements for RM81 or RM82.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Should items RM81 and RM82 be deleted ?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 delete them

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CI 45 SC 45.5.8 P133 L27 # 56
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Can't find a "shall" statement for RM52.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Should item RM52 be deleted ?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Delete it

CI 45 SC 45-106 P88 L18 # 110
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 For bit 1.31.4, '0' behaviour is placed on the line above '1' behaviour. The convention for Clause 45 is for the '1' behaviour to be described on the line above '0' behaviour.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Swap the two lines over.
 Also for bits: 1.31.3, 1.32.15, 1.32.13, 1.33.14, 1.33.12, 1.50.8, 1.59.15, 1.59.14, 1.99.15, 1.99.14, 1.99.13, 1.99.12, 1.60.12, 1.60.11, 1.61.0, 6.17.1, 1.17.0 and any others that I missed.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45-10y P103 L14 # 95
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Add "RO" definition to note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45-2 P83 L35 # 67
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 It may be useful to indicate in this table which registers are for the '-O' PHY only. If so, add '(-O' PHY only)' to 1.32, 1.33, 1.34/35, 1.38, 1.40, 1.42, 1.48, 1.49, 1.57, 1.58, 1.59-63, 1.64, 1.90, 1.92, 1.94, 1.96, 1.98, 1.100
 And (I think) 1.50, 1.51/52, 1.53, 1.54/55, 1.56, 1.65/67, 1.68, 1.69
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Add a footnote to indicate -O PHY only.

CI 45 SC 45-3 P85 L22 # 68
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 10PASS-TS/2BASE-TL has been added to this table.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Need to update the associated subsection text for bits 1.0.5:2 to include a description of the new setting.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC Table 45-102 P104 L22 # 75
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 The notation ':x' is not used in Clause 45. Also line 42 and page 105, lines 13 and 33.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete ':x' or replace with '[6:2]'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 s/b:
 "x = value of the bits/Power = (5 + 0.5x) dBm"

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Cl 45 SC Table 45-10a P78 L21 # 91
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Don't need "RO" or "SC" definitions in note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10ab P106 L40 # 97
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Add "NR" definition to note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See #500. Register should not be NR.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10af P109 L19 # 98
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Add "R/W" definition to note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10af P109 L4 # 17
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There are no subsections to describe the behaviour of these bits.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections and descriptive text.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10b P88 L15 # 64
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 The notation ":-" is borrowed from "C" and I don't think is usual in 802.3
 Replace with "=" or the text "is equal to".
 Also scrub the rest of the chapter for this (Tables 45-10o, 45-10q, 45-10t, 45-10v, 45-10z).
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Use "="

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Cl 45 SC Table 45-10c P89 L16 # 82
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

I found this table quite confusing and it took some time to work out what it was trying to say.

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

- [1] Delete the third column ('-R').
- [2] Rename the column called 'link partner register -O' to 'Register accessed in -O PHY'.
- [3] Rename the column called 'local register counterpart -O' to 'Register mirrored from / to -R PHY'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The TF likes the table format the way it is, implementers of the registers have found it useful.

We will however make a small change:

Change the heading on the first column to say "Link partner register name"

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10d P90 L13 # 92
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Don't need "RO" in note. Add "R/W" definition to note.

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10d P90 L5 # 85
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

The "O" of "operation" should be capitalized. As should the "R" of "reserved" and the "V" of "value". Other tables are also missing capitalization of the first letters in line entries. Scrub the chapter to capitalize the first letter of each line of text in the 'boxes' of the tables.

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10g P92 L15 # 93
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Add "R/W" definition to note.

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10i P93 L20 # 94
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Add "RO" definition to note.

[Comment provided by Edward Turner]

SuggestedRemedy

See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC Table 45-10t P98 L1 # 10
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There are no subsections to describe the behaviour of these bits.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections and descriptive text.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10t P98 L29 # 102
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Change "1.63.9" to "1.63.15:9".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10t P98 L14 # 103
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Delete ":" after "1.59.4:0".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10u P99 L5 # 11
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There are no subsections to describe the behaviour of these bits.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections and descriptive text.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10t P98 L25 # 112
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Change "1.62.9" to "1.62.15:9". [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10v P100 L22 # 7
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 I don't understand why the SNR margin is split over 2 registers in this way. Surely it would be better to have all the SNR margin bits in one register? (i.e. bits 15:7).
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Move SNR margin to 6.67.9:0

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Cl 45 SC Table 45-10w P101 L 10 # 13
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There are no subsections to describe the behaviour of these bits.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections and descriptive text
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10w P101 L 12 # 104
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "-" to ":" in "1.68.15-9".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10w P101 L 21 # 88
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Incomplete sentence "...turned off end".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Complete the sentence.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Sentence should read:
 "PMA/PMD is reporting that it is being powered off"

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10x P102 L 14 # 66
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status R done
 The statement ".. the power switch was turned off.." seems very specific. What if the power supply just failed? Wouldn't that seem the same?
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to ".. power has been removed from the far end .."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

This condition is specific to the operator of the device placing it in power down mode.
 Cl 45 SC Table 45-10x P102 L 3 # 14
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There are no subsections to describe the behaviour of these bits.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections and descriptive text.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10x P102 L 5 # 105
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "-" to ":" in "1.69.15-9".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC Table 45-10y P103 L3 # 15
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There are no subsections to describe the behaviour of these bits. Clarification is required of the three "Annexes" referred to here. Are these Annexes in the 802.3 document?
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections and descriptive text.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 These are actually g.SHDSL annexes. Provide the reference in the bit descriptions

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10z P104 L17 # 106
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "1.82.15:13" to "1.82.15:14".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10z P104 L37 # 107
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "1.84.15:13" to "1.84.15:14".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10z P104 L5 # 16
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There are no subsections to describe the behaviour of these bits.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections and descriptive text.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10z P105 L29 # 109
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "1.86.15:13" to "1.86.15:14".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-10z P105 L40 # 96
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Add "RO" definition to note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC Table 45-10z P105 L 8 # 108
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "1.86.15:13" to "1.86.15:14".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-42a P114 L 21 # 99
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Remove "R/W" definition from note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-3 P85 L 32 # 90
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Don't need "RO" in note. Add "R/W" and "SC" definitions to note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-42b P114 L 54 # 100
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Change "R/O" to "RO" in note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-32 P113 L 40 # 18
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 An extra bit (3.4.1) has been added.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Need to add the bit definition text in as a subsection as well just after the table.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-5 P86 L 19 # 69
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 Need to add a subsection with text to describe the behaviour of this bit.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Add line for both bits, as in 802.3ae

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Cl 45 SC Table 45-5 P86 L7 # 89
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status R done
 Change "1.4.15:13" to "1.4.15:3".
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 The '1' is struckthrough to indicate the change. Perhaps the strikethrough did not show up on the commenter's copy.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-58 P112 L6 # 20
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A done
 It appears two bits have be allocated the same address, 3.72. Change the second occurrence of 3.72 to be 3.73 and change the Reserved bits to be 3.74 through 3.32 767.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change 3.72 to 3.73, and change 3.73 to 3.74 on the next line.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-59a P121 L20 # 78
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 It may be useful to indicate which registers are the '-O' PHY only in this table. If so, add '(-O' PHY only)' to 6.16, 6.17?, 6.18-20, 6.21, 6.22-23.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Add a footnote to denote -O only on appropriate registers.
 6.17 should be -O only

Cl 45 SC Table 45-59c P123 L19 # 101
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Add "R/W" definition to note.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 See comment.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Table 45-59i P126 L26 # 19
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type T Comment Status A done
 There are no subsections to describe the behaviour of these bits.
 [Comment provided by Edward Turner]
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subsections and descriptive text.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Tbl. 45-10 P96 L31 # 616
 Law, David 3Com
 Comment Type E Comment Status A done
 Too many "=" symbols is confusing. Change "..length = 144" to "..length of 144"
 Also on the next line and in table 45-10
 Comment from Ed Turner.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC Tbl. 45-10a P87 L 12 # 605
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

The word "shall" appears twice in this table. We do not usually put "shalls" in tables, and in this case they are unnecessary since section 45.2.1.11.4 has the "shalls" for these bits. Replace them in the table with something else.

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Remove shall.

operate -> operation

Cl 45 SC Tbl. 45-10a P87 L 5 # 612
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Swap over the "0" and "1" lines so that the "1" line is above the "0" line.

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Tbl. 45-10o P96 L 10 # 610
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A done

Change "..sets the required.." to "..sets the minimum required.."

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Tbl. 45-10w P101 L # 618
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status R done

Are there lines missing from the tables between the bits or is my printout dodgy? There should be a line drawn between each bit in all the tables.

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

dodgy printout

Cl 45 SC Tbl. 45-10z P104 L 11 # 623
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Add a space between "=" and "64n"

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Also in 9 other places in this table.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC Tbl. 45-2 P84 L 5 # 615
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A done

Section 45.2.1.26 calls this the "10P/2B link partner electrical length register"

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Correct it here.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 45 SC Tbl. 45-59a P121 L14 # 604
 Law, David 3Com

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

This new MMD (TC) does not have the 'standard' control or status registers. These are needed for bits like reset and speed ability / setting. There's also two bits (device present) that we have in the other MMDs that allow an STA to poll each MMD to see if it's present. These bits must be added to the TC MMD.

Comment from Ed Turner.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56 P188 L15 # 658
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

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

Space after period at end of line?

SuggestedRemedy

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

Will remove the extra space

Cl 56 SC 56.1 P158 L17 # 99346
 Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** D3.0 #760

Figures 56-1 and 56-2 should be showing the relationship of the EFM layers to the LAN model and the OSI reference model.

SuggestedRemedy

2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS can be merged in 56-1.

In 56-2, remove one stack and remove brackets showing OLT and ONU(s). That information belongs in the P2MP clause. The name of the medium should just be "MEDIUM". The MEDIUM should be shown as a shared medium, jagged edge on both ends. Port types should be listed under the MEDIUM.

Proposed Response Response Status **U**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For the Cu stacks, we will merge the two into one stack.

The commenter is correct that the P2MP diagram appears in subsequent clauses. However, since this is a new means of operating on a shared medium it warrants its own topology in the introduction (as it is different from the point-to-point).

The jagged edges are correct as is since there are no additional OLTs to the left of the shown stack. The jagged edge to the right indicates that the medium could go on with additional ONUs (and OLT is mentioned as singular in contrast to ONUs).

Indication that the ONUs communicate with the OLT but not with each other will be indicated by way of arrows or curvature.

The stub on the left will be removed. The connectorization on the GMII will be removed.

Cl 56 SC 56.1 P188 L13 # 657
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**
 single mode

SuggestedRemedy

s/b single-mode

Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 56 SC 56.1 P188 L13 # 656
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 kms
 SuggestedRemedy
 Use nonbreaking space between 10 and km; delete the s
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1 P188 L28 # 306
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status R
 While there is only one type of MAC OAM sublayer and so on, the wide thing marked 'RECONCILIATION' is in fact two distinct things: clause 22 RS and clause 35 RS. Look at figure 22-1 or 35-1.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Show separate RSs following Figure 22-1 or 35-1. Label them '10/100 Mb/s RS', '100 Mb/s RS' and/or '1000 Mb/s RS' as appropriate. Add 'RS = RECONCILIATION SUBLAYER' to the abbreviations list at bottom of figure.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 We discussed this at the last session. The RS may be different but need not be seperated out as in the Figure 1-1 of 802.3ae for >= 100 Mb/s.

Cl 56 SC 56.1 P188 L32 # 199
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 In the copper stack, the TC sublayer is missing.
 SuggestedRemedy
 In Figure 56-1, add a TC sublayer between "Cu PCS" and "PMA".
 In Table 56-2, replace column "Cu PCS" with "Cu PCS & TC".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1 P188 L51 # 305
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 It isn't as simple as this, at least not in D3.1: 'MAC is configured in half duplex mode'. See 61.1.4.1.2 and 61.7.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change 'is' to 'may be'.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the paragraph at the end of page 188 to read:
 An important characteristic of EFM is that only full duplex links are supported. A simplified full duplex MAC is defined in Annex 4A for use in EFM networks. P2MP applications must use this simplified full duplex MAC. EFM Copper applications may use either this simplified full duplex MAC or the Clause 4 MAC operating in half duplex mode as described in 61.1.4.1.2. All other EFM P2P applications may use either this simplified full duplex MAC or the Clause 4 MAC operating in full duplex mode.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.1 P189 L37 # 309
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A OAM
 It is not reasonable to say that 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 PMDs must use clause 66 PCS/PMAs. They are not just for the access market; such ports have been sold by multiple NEMs for years now. To change the rules now would cause confusion and possibly interoperability issues, damaging to both Ethernet access and mainstream Ethernet markets, because it is not likely that the real world will obey D3.1 rules (if it does, EFM would be the loser, being cut off from the economies of scale of mainstream Ethernet).
 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX are interoperable, and work on MMF as well as SMF. It should be unnecessary for a DTE in a CO to need different PCS rules for different GBIC ports (with probably the SAME GBICs in them) depending whether they connect into the core network or the access network!
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change '66.1 and 66.2, respectively.'24, 36, 37 66.1 and/or 66.2'. See other related comments.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Resolved in accordance with daw_e_2_0304.pdf

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Cl 56 SC 56.1.1 P189 L39 # 310
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Missing spaces, broken quantity. Abbreviate 'meters'.
 SuggestedRemedy
 2 Mb/s 10 Mb/s 750<NonBreakingSpace>m
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.2.2 P190 L17 # 308
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A Refer to copper - Refer 370
 Surprisingly, nowhere in the draft is there a statement of which RS the 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS PHYs connect to. Even if the editors believe that it's 'obviously' clause 22, that doesn't mean it's the case: one would not obviously expect low-speed PHYs to use the 10G MDIO clause 45, but they do. Or, there could be new PHY-specific RSs for these PHYs. Further, if it's clause 22, can I run it at 10 Mb/s for 10PASS-TS? I can't tell from this draft.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Whatever the situation is, just add a sentence to say it. Get the copper track to correct and better my suggestion: 'EFM electrical {links|connections} use the reconciliation sublayer of clause 22 operating at {10|100} Mb/s.'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Refer to comment #370

Cl 56 SC 56.1.2.2 P190 L17 # 358
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 In this RS subclause we need to briefly refer to changes to 10G RS.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add sentence: 'An optional modification of the 10 Gb/s RS allows for remote fault signaling by OAM frames.'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the last two sentences of 56.1.5 from:
 It is allowed as an option for 100BASE-X, 1000BASE-X and 10GBASE so that a partly operational DTE may report its status through OAM frames. See Clause 66.
 to:
 Clause 66 describes optional modifications to the 100BASE-X PHY, 1000BASE-X PHY and 10GBASE RS so that a DTE may signal remote fault using OAMPDUs.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P190 L21 # 659
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 LX10(long is missing a space
 SuggestedRemedy
 LX10 (long
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P190 L36 # 311
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 This sentence reads oddly, I think because port descriptors such as 1000BASE-PX10-D are like adjectives.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Easy fix - delete 'the' before each '1000BASE-' (four times).
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P190 L 50 # 313
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A Refer to Cu - 371

In the next paragraph we have an informative sentence telling us that 2BASE-TL isn't just a EFM special but has something in common with other standards.

SuggestedRemedy

If it's not too political, insert something similar between 'This PMD' and 'uses passband': perhaps like: This PMD is derived from the VDSL transceiver specified in American National Standard T1.424 and at time of writing, under discussion as G.xxx in ITU-T. It uses passband ...
 But get the copper track to write/vet what they want to say.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Referred to the Cu track per the request of the commenter. Please see comment 371

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P190 L 52 # 314
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

only in the wrong place

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'A connection can only be established between' to 'A connection can be established only between'. Or, shorter: 'A connection uses'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P191 L 54 # 660
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Double period

SuggestedRemedy

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Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Will remove the extra period

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P191 L 8 # 312
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Broken quantity

SuggestedRemedy

Use non-breaking space between 2 and Mb/s.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P192 L 15 # 316
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A OAM

We cannot say that 100BASE-LX10 needs a non-traditional PCS. These kinds of ports have been made by multiple NEMs for years - changing the rules now would cause market confusion, obstruct the market which the 100 Mb/s call for interest (folded into EFM) was set up to serve, and possibly cause interoperability problems. That call for interest was told that

- 'PHY identical to current 100Mbps Std except for a new PMD
 - No change to Clause 24
 - Retain all state machines, 4B/5B coding etc. of 100BASE-X
 - o Only need to extend Clause 26, 100BASE-FX PMD, to include SMF' and
 - '100BASE-X dual SMF is already happening, and will have applicability even outside EFM
 - o However, 100BASE-X SMF will be used in the public access application space
 - o 100BASE-X PCS is transparent to EFM OAM
 - Neither "OAM in Frames" nor "OAM on Preamble" require any changes to 100BASE-X PCS'
- http://www.ieee802.org/3/smfx_study/index.html
http://www.ieee802.org/3/smfx_study/public/jonsson_1_0302.pdf
 We need to honor these expectations.

SuggestedRemedy

Change intersection of 100BASE-LX10 and 66 from M to O or blank. If it needs to be spelled out, add column for clause 24 PCS, PMA, intersection with 100BASE-LX10 being M or O. Can make the header columns much taller (like tables 30-1) to fit the extra column in.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolved in accordance with dawe_2_0304.pdf

Add PMA in the heading of the righ most column

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Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P192 L15 # 317
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A OAM

We cannot force 1000BASE-LX10 into an 'access-only ghetto' with a non-traditional PCS. It was intended all along to be an upgraded 1000BASE-LX, a.k.a. a public-standardized 1000BASE-LH. See EFM objectives:

P802.3ah has objectives:

- 1000BASE-LX extended temperature range optics, and
- 1000BASE-X up to 10km over SM fiber.

These ports have been made by multiple NEMs for years - changing the rules now would cause market confusion, deprive the traditional Ethernet market of the benefits of standardization, and deprive the access Ethernet market of Ethernet consistency, simplicity and economies of scale. EFM has to accept that traditional Ethernet has got here first and defined the rules.

SuggestedRemedy

Change intersection of 1000BASE-LX10 and 66 from M to O or blank. If it needs to be spelled out, add column for clause 36 and 37 PCS, intersection with 1000BASE-LX10 being M or O. Can make the header columns much taller (like tables 30-1) to fit the extra column in.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Resolved in accordance with daw_e_2_0304.pdf

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P192 L25 # 359
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

This table looks comprehensive but it isn't quite and we mustn't mislead. Need to acknowledge changes to 10G.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a third clause 66 column, title 10 Gb/s RS, and another row, title 10GBASE. Intersection is O. Intersection of OAM and 10G is also O I think. Can make the header columns much taller (like tables 30-1) to fit the extra column in.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

Table 56-2 correlates EFM port types with EFM PHY clauses. Since we are not creating a new 10G port type, there is no need to add an extra row and column.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.3 P192 L9 # 315
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Spelling

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'BAS-' to 'BASE-' several times.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 56 SC 56.1.5 P192 L42 # 661
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status R

Don't we construct the standard with management being treated as special - e.g. pervasive? So 56.1.4 shouldn't come between two PHY paragraphs.

SuggestedRemedy

Put the 'Unidirectional transmission' subclause after 56.1.3 (or after 56.1.2)

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The current order seems adequate, its not clear that changing the order adds any value

Cl 56 SC 56.1.5 P192 L42 # 662
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Trailing space in title?

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will remove it if it is there

Cl 56 SC 56.1.5 P192 L45 # 663
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

an 1000BASE-

SuggestedRemedy

"a 1000BASE- (sorry, my mistake in my comment)"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 56 SC 56.1.5 P192 L 45 # 127
 Brown, Benjamin Independent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Wrong word
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "necessary for an" with "necessary for a"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC P L # 175
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Lots of broken cross-references.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please fix.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Some recent projects have left the tedious, time consuming task of fixing Adobe Acrobat cross-references to the IEEE editorial staff.

Cl 57 SC 57.1.2 P166 L 27 # 99317
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #313
 'Don't mess with the legacy Ethernet.'
 Section a) is partly unworkable.
 This ability, if present, lives in the PCS/PMA, not in the PMDs defined in clauses 58-60. The PCS doesn't know where it is. It doesn't know what wavelength or type of optics is connected to it.

Section a)2) appears to outlaw the legacy PCSs with clause 58, 59, 60 optics. For clause 58 and 59, 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 like PHYs have been shipping for some time; it's too late to say their PCS/PMAs are not true Ethernet and very bad for the cost-effective, graceful evolution of Ethernet new markets such as subscriber access networks using 'legacy' components, principles and standards. 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 are not just applicable mainly for subscriber access networks: they are equally at home in 'traditional' campus or telecom-core networks. Further, 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX are interoperable and are intended for attachment to the same PCSs - both old and new and for use in the same kinds of networks: campus and wider. And it doesn't make sense to try to associate the legality of such additional features to network type either: we don't have a watertight definition of a "subscriber access network" nor do we need one. There are just devices and cable plant engineering specs, no definition of who owns the network or anything like that.

Clause 66 RS, PCS and PMA are shown as optional in Table 56-2. That's as it should be (except for 1000BASE-PX-D, PON OLT).

For info, clause 22 has registers for Unidirectional enable and Unidirectional ability.

There is no strong reason to make the PCS unidirectional capability feature mandatory in any situation, as the OAM sublayer that uses it is optional, and the OAM sublayer can still be invoked without it (obviously without all its possible functionality).

57.1.2 needs to be changed to bring it in line with table 56-2 and common sense. These clarifications would still give the OAM supporters what they want: the unidirectional feature would appear in new silicon if it's found useful.

SuggestedRemedy
 Change 57.1.2 a) 2) to:
 '2) 100BASE-X, 1000BASE-X and 10 Gb/s physical layer devices may be capable of unidirectional operation thus allowing OAM remote fault indication during fault conditions.';
 Change a)3) to:
 '3) 1000BASE-PX-D physical layer devices, defined in Clause 60 and 66.2, support unidirectional operation in the direction from OLT to ONU that allows OAM remote fault indication from OLT during fault conditions. Unidirectional operation in the other direction is not recommended as it is likely to cause interference to the signals of other ONUs.; and delete item a) 4).

Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

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See comment #380.

PMDs defined in Clauses 58 and 59 do support unidirectional operation.

CI 57 SC 57.1.2 P 196 L 30 # 57001

OAM STF

Comment Type T Comment Status A

After the Monday morning interim, several TF members discussed Piers' presentation and possible remedies. This has been summarized in daw_2_0304.pdf.

SuggestedRemedy

Bullet a2, add "may" before support.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.1.2 P 196 L 30 # 318

Dawe, Piers

Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Consideration of the issue of what a physical layer device is for, reminds us that the physical layer devices in 58 and 59 are not all just 'subscriber access physical layer devices'. 100BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-LX10 are specifically intended for general purpose use (including multimode fiber for the latter). Naturally, because single mode fiber is the same stuff in traditional as in access networks, the same physical layer devices are good for both applications.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete 'Subscriber access' from bullet 2.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

See comment #319, which reworded this sub-bullet.

CI 57 SC 57.1.2 P 196 L 30 # 319

Dawe, Piers

Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Clauses 58-60 define PMDs, which I don't think are the same as 'physical layer devices'. These particular PMDs (but not all) are oblivious to unidirectional operation. It's the material in 66 that supports it.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'Subscriber access physical layer devices, defined in Clause 58 and Clause 59,' to '100 Mb/s and 1000 Mb/s {ports|physical layer devices} using the PHY layers defined in 66.1 or 66.2'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

By removing the references to 58 and 59, the maintenance burden is reduced for future projects that add PMDs, which use Clause 66.

See daw_2_0304.pdf, which discusses in length the resolution to the issues surrounding consistency and unidirectional operation.

Suggested new bullet:

"2) Physical layer devices using Clause 66 may support unidirectional operation that allows OAM remote fault indication during fault conditions."

CI 57 SC 57.1.2 P 196 L 33 # 320

Dawe, Piers

Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Clause 60 defines PMDs, which I don't think are the same as 'physical layer devices'. It's the material in 66 that supports unidirectional operation.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'physical layer devices, defined in Clause 60,' to '1000 Mb/s point-to-multipoint {ports|physical layer devices} using the PHY layers defined in 36, 60, 65 and 66.2'. Or just '1000BASE-PX-D {ports|physical layer devices}'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See the proposed response to comment #319 for further discussion.

For the sake of consistency, the wording in sub-bullet 3 should match sub-bullet 2.

Change bullet to read:

"3) Subscriber access physical layer devices using Clause 65 support unidirectional operation in the direction from OLT to ONU that allows OAM remote fault indication from OLT during fault conditions."

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Cl 57 SC 57.1.2 P196 L36 # 321
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

The usual problem with 'may'. This could be read as, any other physical layer device might be found to (maybe varying from part to part), any other physical layer device is allowed to, some other types of physical layer device might be found to (consistent by type), some other types of physical layer device are allowed to. By calling out 66.1 and 66.2 in bullet 2, we can make most of these problems go away. We can avoid the confusion point by remaining silent instead of giving non-information. But to be fair to the reader, we need to tell him where unidirectional transmission of frames is not feasible.

SuggestedRemedy

Change bullet 4 to '2BASE-TL, 10PASS-TS, 1000BASE-T and 1000BASE-PX-U do not support unidirectional operation but can support other OAM transport on functional links. 2BASE-TL, 10PASS-TS, 1000BASE-T have specific remote fault signaling mechanisms in the physical layer.'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Sub-bullet 4 does not want to be a maintained list of port types that don't support unidirectional operation. The suggested remedy isn't a complete list and begs the question of which other ones don't support unidirection mode.

Suggest the following wording change:

"4) Physical layer devices other than those listed above do not support unidirectional operation allowing OAM remote fault indication during fault conditions. Some physical layer devices have specific remote fault signaling mechanisms in the physical layer."

See the proposed response to comment #319 for further discussion.

Cl 57 SC 57.1.2 P196 L53 # 158
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status R

"These objectives support a subset of the user-plane OAM requirements found in Recommendation ITU-TY.1730 - Requirements for OAM functions in Ethernet based networks."

Clauses do not typically have to justify their existence with a document from the ITU-T? The objectives were created independent of this document. Was it the intent of the commenter who posed the question of whether OAM will be used, to have that document referenced in this clause/document?

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the sentence.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

This statement was added as a result of D3.0 comment #165. For convenience, I have included the comment below:

"Given the work by the ITU-T in creating Y.1730 that describes Ethernet OAM requirements, it would make sense that the section that describes the OAM client mentions it. That is, the ITU-T requirements for a much larger scope client indicates several required OAM functions (e.g., loopback, discovery, performance monitoring & continuous connectivity check) that are satisfied by clause 57. This addition will show the relationship with the ITU-T work."

The OAM STF considered this comment in Vancouver and decided to add the referenced statement and add an entry in Annex A - Bibliography.

D3.0 comment #165 was a product (at least in part) of D2.0 comment #980. That comment is also included here for convenience:

"What set of documented requirements is being satisfied by OAM?
 The only justification that I can find is the vague "The OAM described in this clause provides data link layer mechanisms that complement applications that may reside in higher layers." (emphasis added).
 There is no reference to any particular application, set of applications, documented set of requirements for such applications or protocol/interface to any such thing as an "OAM client". There is no definition of an OAM Client or what standard defines the requirements, interfaces or interoperability parameters for such a client. If such a client is speculated for the future, then there is not even documentation of a commitment for such a project by a standards group."

The remedy for D2.0 comment #980 mentioned "providing appropriate justification/references/information".

The OAM STF felt that the referenced statement served to resolve the D3.0 comment #165 and the older D2.0 comment #980.

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Cl 57 SC 57.1.2 P196 L 54 # 301
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Add (hopefully active) link to Annex A.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add '[Bn]' or '[B8]' between networks and . IEEE staff to renumber Bn on merge.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.2 P199 L 20 # 210
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Missing punctuation.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "scope of this standard" with "scope of this standard."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.11.5 P209 L 20 # 214
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Incorrect terminology?
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "e.g., point-to-multipoint," with "e.g., emulated point-to-point,"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.5.2.2 P201 L 13 # 211
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Anal wording suggestion.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "is the Flags field of the incoming OAMPDU" with "is the entire Flags field of the incoming OAMPDU"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.12 P209 L 52 # 592
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 We say that unidirectional mode applies when one "end" of a link is non-operational. Its really when one direction of a link is non-operational. Two ends of a link can be fine and one fiber splice could be screwy.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "end" to "direction".
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.6 P203 L 21 # 322
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 issues ?
 SuggestedRemedy
 issued
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.12 P210 L 01 # 57002
 OAM STF
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 After the Monday morning interim, several TF members discussed Piers' presentation and possible remedies. This has been summarized in daw_2_0304.pdf.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change cross-reference from "67.6.1" to "Clause 66."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.8.1.2 P204 L 27 # 212
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Doesn't the DA value have to be the multicast value? Why does it say "individual"?
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "may specify either an individual or a group MAC entity address" with "must specify the multicast group MAC entity address"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to "must specify the Slow Protocols Multicast Address".

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Cl 57 SC 57.2.8.1.2 P204 L30 # 159
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

What exactly is the oam_service_data_unit?

Is it everything between the:
Source Address and the FCS exclusive?
Or the Length/Type and the FCS exclusive?
Or the Subtype and the FCS exclusive?
Or the Code field and the FCS exclusive?

SuggestedRemedy

I'd like to see a statement clearly defining it.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add sentence as follows:

"The oam_service_data_unit parameter specifies the OAM service data unit to be transmitted within the OAM sublayer entity. This parameter includes the Length/Type, Subtype, Flags, Code and Data/Pad fields."

Cl 57 SC 57.2.8.2.2 P205 L10 # 213
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Why does it say "individual" address? Doesn't the DA have to be the multicast address?

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "may be either an individual or a group address" with "must be the multicast group address"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to #212, which specifies the exact MC address.

Cl 57 SC 57.2.9 P205 L31 # 324
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Second sentence gives the lie to the first.

SuggestedRemedy

Change first sentence to 'DTEs may support either Active or Passive mode, both or neither.'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change first two sentences to read:

"A DTE incorporating the OAM sublayer supports Active and/or Passive mode. When OAM is enabled, a DTE capable of both Active and Passive modes shall select either Active or Passive."

The purpose of the subclause isn't to discuss DTE's that don't support OAM.

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Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.1.7 P216 L13 # 176

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

This paragraph is incorrect.

Text indicates that Local Stable is only set after local_pdu is set to ANY.

1) A device can't get to the SEND_ANY state where local_pdu is set to ANY, without indicating to the remote device that it is satisfied (done by setting Local Stable).

2) A device can't get to the SEND_ANY state where local_pdu is set to ANY, without knowing the remote is stable. But the remote won't be able to set its Local Stable bit because of #1.

Text differs from the state machine.

3) local_stable which ties to the Local Stable bit is set to true in the SEND_LOCAL_REMOTE_2 state (which is before local_pdu is set to ANY).

SuggestedRemedy

Change the paragraph to read:

"The Local Stable and Local Discovering bits of the Flags field communicate the status of the local Discovery process to the peer. When the OAM Discovery process is started, the local DTE sets the Local Stable to 0 and Local Discovering bits to 1 indicating OAM Discovery has not completed.

If, after learning of the remote OAM settings, the local OAM client determines it is unsatisfied it sets the Local Stable and Local Discovering bits to 0 indicating Discovery cannot successfully complete. If the local OAM client is satisfied, the local DTE sets the Local Stable bit to 1 and Local Discovering bit to 0 indicating the local OAM client is satisfied.

When Local Stable is set to 1 and Local Discovering is set to 0 and Remote Stable is set to 1 and Remote Discovering is set to 0 indicating that both OAM clients are satisfied, the OAM Discovery process has successfully completed and local_pdu is set to ANY. See Table 57-3 for more information."

This brings up another point. The Discovering bit is not really a fitting name since being set to 0 doesn't really mean the Discovery process is done. It's more like an Evaluating bit. When the bit is set to 0 the client has made a decision.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change paragraph per suggested remedy.

Also, per comment included at end of suggested remedy, change "Discovering" to "Evaluating" to more adequately reflect state. Search and replace Discovering as appropriate. (Note: The encodings remain the same.)

Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.2.3 P217 L19 # 163

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status A

This "shall statement" is redundant, the same "shall" is stated on line 51.

This doesn't make it any more required. But it also doesn't mean it needs to be removed.

SuggestedRemedy

So, Please consider replacing the "shall ensure" with "ensures"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.3.2.2.3 P217 L23 # 161

Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status A

"If, however, the OAM sublayer entity is configured to not send any OAMPDUs, as indicated by the local_pdu variable set to RX_INFO, the Multiplexer will simply restart the pdu_timer by returning to the RESET state."

The Multiplexer doesn't reset the pdu_timer. The Transmit function does.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "Multiplexer" with "Transmitter" or "Transmit function"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

"Multiplexer" will be replaced with "Transmit function".

Cl 57 SC 57.3.3.1 P216 L52 # 593

Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Replace "forward MAC Client frame or loop back frame from Parser" with "forward a MAC Client frame or loop back a frame from the Parser"

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.4.2.1 P222 L11 # 157
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Table 57-3. Search and Replace Error?

There are three instances of "In Local Information TLVs" within the Flags field. Flags are generic and not specific to Information OAMPDUs with Local Information TLVs.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove "In Local Information TLVs" from:

- 1) the Reserved field and
- 2) both Local and Remote Discovering when value is 0x3

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Similar to comment #594.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.2.1 P222 L12 # 594
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

I think we went overboard with that "In Local Information TLVs..." phrase, especially when this table is about the flags field which is not part of local information TLVs.

SuggestedRemedy

Zap that text about local information TLVs from this table (multiple occurrences).

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.2.1 P222 L16 # 177
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The Remote Stable and Discovering bits are copied from the last received OAMPDU.

SuggestedRemedy

Please add a statement to this affect.
Remove the current description if it pleases the editor.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Propose adopting suggested remedy #215.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.2.1 P222 L46 # 215
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Need to clarify that the Remote fields [6:5] are filled in from the received Local fields [4:3] - similar to the text in 57.5.2.2 p.231 for the TLVs.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the following "The Remote Stable and Remote Discovering values shall be a copy of the last received Local Stable and Local Discovering values from the remote OAM peer."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change suggested remedy to:

"When remote_state_valid is set to TRUE, the Remote Stable and Remote Discovering values shall be a copy of the last received Local Stable and Local Discovering values from the remote OAM peer. Otherwise, the Remote Stable and Remote Discovering bits shall be set to 0."

Cl 57 SC 57.4.2.2 P223 L03 # 216
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Incorrect reference.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "The value of the Code field is set by the Multiplexer function for Information OAMPDUs it generates" with "The value of the Code field is set by the Transmit process in the Control function for Information OAMPDUs it generates"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.2.2 P223 L3 # 160
Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status A

"The value of the Code field is set by the Multiplexer function for Information OAMPDUs it generates."

The Code field isn't set by the Mux function on OAM sublayer created OAMPDUs. It is now set by the Transmit function.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "Multiplexer" with "Transmit"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P192 L01 # 99319
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #735

The need for uniqueness of an OUI based identifier is best met by utilizing the EUI-48 or EUI-64 definitions, so that each organization doesn't have to understand the context when assigning such numbers to the requesting division.

SuggestedRemedy

Revise the OUI and Vendor Specific Information field to be either 48-bit or 64-bit fields, defined to be an EUI-48 or EUI-64.

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

During the November meeting of the RAC (see notes below) the following decisions were established.

INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC ENGINEERS
REGISTRATION AUTHORITY COMMITTEE (RAC)

INTERIM MEETING MINUTES
From: 13 November 2003
Location: Hyatt Regency Albuquerque
Boardroom North
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Albuquerque, New Mexico

Decision 111303 RAC-04: EUI-48 and 64-bit identifiers are appropriate for instance identification.

Decision 111303 RAC-05: Protocol identifiers in addition to 48 and 64 bits are acceptable to use an OUI followed by N Octet, subject to the constraint for the expected consumption rate, the number space can never be consumed.

The combination of the OUI and Vendor Specific Information fields does not constitute a unique 56-bit identifier.

The purpose of the Vendor Specific Information field is not instance identification, but rather class identification.

The meaning of the bits in the Vendor Specific Information field is out of scope.

The Vendor Specific Information field *_may_* be used to differentiate amongst a vendor's product models and versions. It is not a serial number or anything like unto a serial number.

See also response to comment #737.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P192 L01 # 99318
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #736

In many cases (often 802 related), the ordering of bits in the OUI is rather ambiguous. As such, the IEEE/RAC requires that standards clearly define the mappings of an example hex field, as is done in the online tutorials.

SuggestedRemedy

Show a clear example of how the OUI is mapped, using a hex example.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a bullet to 57.4.1 to read:

"The bit/octet ordering of any OUI field within an OAMPDU is identical to the bit/octet ordering of the OUI portion of the DA/SA. Additional detail defining the format of OUIs can be found in IEEE Std 802-2001 Clause 9."

Modify Figure 57-14 by removing the bit ordering example.

Modify Table 57-10 by removing the second sentence.

Modify other references as appropriate.

Remove other references to 802-2001 Clause 9.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P196 L16 # 99320
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #737

The need for uniqueness of an OUI based identifier is best met by utilizing the EUI-48 or EUI-64 definitions, so that each organization doesn't have to understand the context when assigning such numbers to the requesting division.

SuggestedRemedy

Revise the OUI and following data, so that this starts with an EUI-48 or EUI-64 value. Otherwise, multi-division organizations will have to define their own subparsing conventions, which is prone to error (some have already happened with Japanese vendors and parts of 1394/AVC that do this type of thing).

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

Governance of the internal behavior of multi-division organizations is entirely out of scope of the IEEE standards activities.

See also response to comment #735.

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Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P196 L24 # 99321
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #738

The IEEE/RAC defines OUIs as HEX values. Given the confusion between leftmost being first, or the first transmitted bit being first, any descriptions in terms of bits and/or bit ordering should be removed.

SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate the binary text: the hex values are sufficient.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #736, which removes the bit ordering example.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P197 L40 # 99322
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #739

Given the inconsistencies/ambiguities of the OUI definitions within 802.3, any definition should be self-contained, not cross referencing something else.

SuggestedRemedy

Eliminate the OUI cross reference to:

found in IEEE Std 802-2001 Clause 9.

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

See comment #736, which moves the reference to 802-2001 Clause 9 to 57.4.1.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P199 L23 # 99323
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #740

In many cases (often 802 related), the ordering of bits in the OUI is rather ambiguous. As such, the IEEE/RAC requires that standards clearly define the mappings of an example hex field, as is done in the online tutorials.

SuggestedRemedy

Show a figure with the classical HEX-value example.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Remove second sentence. Also, see #736.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.1 P200 L09 # 99324
James, David JGG

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #741

In many cases (often 802 related), the ordering of bits in the OUI is rather ambiguous. As such, the IEEE/RAC requires that standards clearly define the mappings of an example hex field, as is done in the online tutorials.

SuggestedRemedy

Show a figure with the classical HEX-value example.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #736, which removes bit ordering examples of OUIs.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.3 P224 L28 # 553
Messenger, John ADVA Optical Network

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

D3.1 changed the size of the Variable Leaf field, but this change was omitted from figure 57-12.

SuggestedRemedy

In Figure 57-12, change the following values under "Octets".

For Variable Descriptors #1 and #2, change "2" to "3".

For Variable Leaf, change "1" to "2".

Change the example Variable Leaf value from "0x06" to "0x0006".

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.4.3.4 P226 L15 # 554
Messenger, John ADVA Optical Network

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

D3.1 changed the size of the Variable Leaf field, but this change was omitted from figure 57-13.

SuggestedRemedy

In Figure 57-13, change the following values under "Octets".

For Variable Container #1, change "7" to "8".

For Leaf, change "1" to "2".

Change the example Leaf value from "0x06" to "0x0006".

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.5.2 P228 L12 # 595
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 using "TLV type values" to me indicates we're going to specify the "type" and the "value" in the table.

SuggestedRemedy
 Just call it "TLV types"

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.2.1 P228 L50 # 550
 Messenger, John ADVA Optical Network

Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 The encoding of the OAMPDU configuration is not clearly specified. Table 57-9 shows two objects: a reserved field and an 11-bit Maximum OAMPDU Size field. It needs to be clear that the combination of these two items is treated as a 16-bit number and encoded according to the applicable rule for binary numbers represented in multiple octets (57.4.1 (c)).

SuggestedRemedy
 Add sentence to subpoint "g)", end of line 50: "The OAMPDU Configuration field is treated as a 16-bit number and encoded accordingly.", or if preferred, "... and encoded as specified in 57.4.1 (c)".

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Propose adopting the second suggested remedy.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.2.1 P229 L21 # 162
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 There are two Reserved bit spaces in this table. Other Local Information TLV fields only have one.

SuggestedRemedy
 Remove the Reserved bit at bit 0.
 Slide Parser Action and Multiplexer Action down to 1:0 and 2 respectively.
 Expand the other Reserved bits to 7:3.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.2.2 P231 L03 # 57006
 OAM STF

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Remote Information TLV is not an exact copy of the Local Information TLV since the Type field is different.

SuggestedRemedy
 Change:
 "The Remote Information TLV shall be a copy of the last received Local Information TLV from the remote OAM peer."

to read:

"The Remote Information TLV shall be a copy of the last received Local Information TLV, with the exception of the Information Type field. The encoding of this field is found in Table 57-6."

Per comment #167, PICS entries RIT2-8 have been removed. Amend the value/comment field of RIT1 as follows:

"Contains the Information Type field specifying the Remote Information TLV Type value and all remaining fields are copied from last received Local Information TLV from remote OAM peer."

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P232 L10 # 218
 Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Incorrect cross-reference.

SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "this maps to 30.11.1.1.34" with "this maps to 30.11.1.1.35"

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P232 L15 # 596
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

We introduced "a limit that" in the threshold of two event definitions, but not all events, and it makes reading that paragraph much more difficult.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the recently added "a limit that" from the symbol error event threshold and the errored frame seconds threshold.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Remove "a limit that" from 57.5.3.1 bullet e).

Remove "a limit that" from 57.5.3.4 bullet e).

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P232 L18 # 219
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Incorrect cross-reference.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "this maps to 30.11.1.1.34" with "this maps to 30.11.1.1.35"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P232 L24 # 220
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Add reference to c30 attributes.

SuggestedRemedy

Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.35. When this event is received from the remote DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.42."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P232 L26 # 221
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Add reference to c30 local attribute.

SuggestedRemedy

Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.35."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P232 L30 # 222
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Add reference to c30 attributes.

SuggestedRemedy

Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.35. When this event is received from the remote DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.42."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.1 P232 L6 # 217
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Add reference to c30 local attribute.

SuggestedRemedy

Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.35."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P232 L49 # 223
Martin, David Nortel Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Add reference to c30 local attribute.

SuggestedRemedy

Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.37."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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CI 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P233 L13 # 226
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add references to the c30 attributes.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.37. When this event is received from the remote DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.43."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P233 L15 # 227
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add reference to c30 local attribute.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.37."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P233 L18 # 228
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add references to c30 attributes.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.37. When this event is received from the remote DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.43."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P233 L53 # 224
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Incorrect reference.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "this maps to 30.11.1.1.36" to "this maps to 30.11.1.1.37"
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.3.2 P233 L7 # 225
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Incorrect reference.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "this maps to 30.11.1.1.36" to "this maps to 30.11.1.1.37"
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.3.3 P233 L38 # 229
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add reference to c30 local attribute.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.39."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.5.3.3 P233 L42 # 230
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Incorrect reference.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "this maps to 30.11.1.1.38" to "this maps to 30.11.1.1.39"
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.3 P 233 L 53 # 231
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Incorrect reference.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "this maps to 30.11.1.1.38" to "this maps to 30.11.1.1.39"
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.3 P 234 L 11 # 234
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add references to c30 attributes.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.39. When this event is received from the remote DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.44."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.3 P 234 L 5 # 232
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add references to c30 attributes.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.39. When this event is received from the remote DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.44."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.3 P 234 L 8 # 233
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add reference to c30 local attribute.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.39."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.4 P 234 L 32 # 235
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add reference to c30 local attribute.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.41."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.4 P 234 L 36 # 236
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Incorrect reference.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "this maps to 30.11.1.1.40" to "this maps to 30.11.1.1.41".
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.4 P 234 L 45 # 237
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Incorrect reference.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "this maps to 30.11.1.1.40" to "this maps to 30.11.1.1.41"
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.4 P 234 L 51 # 238
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add references to c30 attributes.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.41. When this event is received from the remote DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.45."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.4 P 234 L 53 # 239
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add reference to c30 local attribute.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.41."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.4 P 235 L 3 # 240
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Add references to c30 attributes.
SuggestedRemedy
Add "When this event is generated by the local DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.41. When this event is received from the remote DTE and if Clause 30 is present, this maps to 30.11.1.1.45."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.5.3.5 P 235 L 14 # 241
Martin, David Nortel Networks
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Typo.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "the an Organization Specific Event" to "the Organization Specific Event"
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.6.1 P 236 L 09 # 551
Messenger, John ADVA Optical Network
Comment Type TR Comment Status A
Tables 57-13 looks similar to the previous tables (57-8 to 57-11) but are in fact not representing the same kind of information. The earlier tables each represent a single object to be encoded in an OAMPDU, but Table 57-13 represents multiple objects. As a result, the table shows elements of the OAMPDU in the opposite order to that in which they are encoded in the OAMPDU. This presentation conflicts with the (correct) order represented in Figure 57-12, page 225.
The "Bits" column is confusing and misleading. It does not properly represent the order of bits on the wire, nor does it assist in working out how to encode the fields into the OAMPDU.
SuggestedRemedy
Remove the "Bits" column. Replace with an "Octets" column having entries of "2" for "Variable Leaf" and "1" for "Variable Branch".
Reverse the order of the rows in the table so that the topmost row represents the earliest field from the table to be encoded into the OAMPDU.
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.6.2 P236 L33 # 552
 Messenger, John ADVA Optical Network

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Table 57-14 looks similar to the previous tables (57-8 to 57-11) but is in fact not representing the same kind of information. The earlier tables each represent a single object to be encoded in an OAMPDU, but Table 57-14 represents multiple objects. As a result, the table shows elements of the OAMPDU in the opposite order to that in which they are encoded in the OAMPDU. This presentation conflicts with the (correct) order represented in Figure 57-13, page 226.

The "Bits" column is confusing and misleading. It does not properly represent the order of bits on the wire, nor does it assist in working out how to encode the fields into the OAMPDU.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the "Bits" column. Replace with an "Octets" column having entries of "n" for "Variable Value", "1" for "Variable Width", "2" for "Variable Leaf" and "1" for "Variable Branch".

Reverse the order of the rows in the table so that the topmost row represents the earliest field from the table to be encoded into the OAMPDU.

In the description of the "Variable Width" field, refer to bit 7 and bits 6:0, instead of bit 31 and bits 30:24.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.6.2.2 P237 L25 # 180
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Although the text nicely describes the format of Variable Containers when requesting a package, I can't help but think a table would help make the format clearer.

SuggestedRemedy

Please add a "Variable Container format when requesting a Package" table.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add table: "Variable Container format when returning objects or packages"

Per comment #179, 57.6.2.2 and 57.6.2.3 will be combined, with the subclause name changed to: "Format of Variable Containers when returning objects or packages".

Also, split out last sentence into two separate paragraphs for visibility.

Cl 57 SC 57.6.2.3 P237 L42 # 179
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Clauses 57.6.2.1 - 57.6.2.3 have a lot of redundant information.

SuggestedRemedy

Place all redundant information in another clause (57.6.2.4).

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #180, which combines #179, 180 and 181.

Cl 57 SC 57.6.2.3 P237 L42 # 181
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Although the text nicely describes the format of Variable Containers when requesting an object, I can't help but think a table would help make the format clearer.

SuggestedRemedy

Please add a "Variable Container format when requesting an Object" table.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #180, which combines #179, 180 and 181.

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CI 57 SC 57.6.2.3 P237 L42 # 178
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

I'm under the impression that new MIB variables are constantly being added. If so, isn't it possible for one OAM device to recognize a package with 'X' variables and another device to recognize that same package with 'Y' variables?

How does one differentiate the beginning of the second Variable Container and unknown attributes within the package? This is an issue when receive more than expected as well as when receiving less then expected.

The addition of new packages would create a similar problem when requesting objects.

SuggestedRemedy

I see two possible fixes.

- 1) Define an end of package marker (and an end of object marker)
- 2) Define a package width (and an object width)

Tacking on an "end of" marker would be quicker than trying to calculate the width. Reserved variable errors could be used, but a marker is not an error?

If variable error codes as markers is the way the group wants to go, the following error codes could be used:

- 0x02
- 0x03
- 0x40 (slide current package errors down one)
- 0x60 (slide current object errors down one)

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The following changes will be made:

- 1) Change "Table 57-16 - Variable Error Indications" to "Table 57-16 - Variable Indications".
- 2) Move 0x40-0x43 to 0x41-0x44.
- 3) Add 0x40 "End of object marker"
- 4) Move 0x60-0x63 to 0x61-0x64.
- 5) Add 0x60 "End of package marker"
- 6) Modify reference in Table 57-14
- 7) Modify text/references in 57.6.2.1-57.6.2.3

CI 57 SC 57.7 P241 L8 # 393
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The support column options are not correct for a Mandatory item nor a predicated mandatory item.

SuggestedRemedy

A mandatory item (Status = M) should only provide the option 'Yes []' in the Support column. A predicated mandatory item (Status = <item>:M) should only provide the options 'Yes []' and 'N/A []' in the Support column.

The entire PICS should be checked for this.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.7.2.3 P241 L20 # 57003
 OAM STF

Comment Type T Comment Status A

After the Monday morning interim, several TF members discussed Piers' presentation and possible remedies. This has been summarized in dawe_2_0304.pdf.

SuggestedRemedy

Add Value/comment for UNI: "requires support for unidirectional operation as defined in Clause 66"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 57 SC 57.7.3.1 P242 L16 # 164
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status A

OFS9 and OFS10 are the same PICS as those stated in RB2 and RB3

SuggestedRemedy

Please remove whichever PICS entries you like.

But for the sake of consistency:

If you remove OFS9 and OFS10, please move LIT5 to the Reserved bits PICS table?
 If you remove RB2 and RB3, can you remove the Reserved bits PICS table and incorporate all the Reserved bits PICS entries into their appropriate sections?

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Let's remove the Reserved bits PICS table and follow the balance of the suggested remedy.

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Cl 57 SC 57.7.3.3 P244 L11 # 165
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PDU3: reads "64 octet OAMPDUs"
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please change "64 octet OAMPDUs" to "OAMPDUs minFrameSize in length"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.3.4 P246 L23 # 166
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 There is no shall associated with this statement.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please remove PICS entry LIT6.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.3.5 P247 L6 # 167
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 All the PICS entries in this table have been replaced with an all encompassing shall statement.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace RIT1 with:
 RIT1 | Remote Information TLV | 57.5.2.2 | Copied from last received Local Information TLV from remote OAM peer.
 And delete RIT2 - RIT8
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.4 P249 L12 # 242
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Incorrect event name.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "Errored Frame Event Period" to "Errored Frame Event"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.4 P249 L13 # 168
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Two errors:
 1) ET2s Feature should be labeled "Errored Frame Period Event TLV structure"
 2) The subclause references for ET2 and ET3 are reversed. (ie. ET2 should be 57.5.3.3 and ET3 should be 57.5.3.2)
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change the Label for ET2.
 Swap the subclause references for ET2 and ET3.
 And If its not too much trouble, Swap ET2 and ET3. (Errored Frame Event TLV comes before Errored Frame Period Event TLV in the document)
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.4 P249 L19 # 243
 Martin, David Nortel Networks
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Incorrect event name.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "Errored Frame Event " to "Errored Frame Period Event "
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 SC 57.7.5 P250 L19 # 169
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 VAR4 Label needs to be more specific
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please change to:
 "Variable Container structure" to "Variable Container structure for an attribute"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.6 P250 L46 # 170
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 RB3 could refer to one of two bits spaces within the Table 57-3.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please add the specific bit space it refers to and add another PICS entry for the other reserved bit space. Or as per another comment remove one of the reserved bit spaces.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Per comment #164, the Reserved bits PICS table will be removed and the PICS entries for reserved bits will be incorporated in the respective tables.
 Comment #162 removes bit 0 and slides the other bits down.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.6 P250 L53 # 171
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 The Reserved Command values for Table 57-5 have no PICS entries:
 Table 57-5: 00, 03-FF
 SuggestedRemedy
 Reserved Loopback commands
 RIT6 | Command value 0x00 | Table 57-5 | not to be sent
 RIT7 | Command values 0x03-0xFF | Table 57-5 | not to be sent
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.6 P250 L53 # 172
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 The Reserved Information TLV type values for Table 57-6 have no PICS entries:
 Table 57-6: 03-FD, FF
 SuggestedRemedy
 Reserved Information TLV types
 RIT8 | Type values 0x03-0xFD | Table 57-6 | not to be sent
 RIT9 | Type value 0xFF | Table 57-6 | not to be sent
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.6 P250 L53 # 173
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 The Reserved Link Event TLV type values for Table 57-12 have no PICS entries:
 Table 57-12: 05-FD, FF
 SuggestedRemedy
 Reserved Link Event TLV types
 RIT10 | Type values 0x05-0xFD | Table 57-12 | not to be sent
 RIT11 | Type value 0xFF | Table 57-12 | not to be sent
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 57 SC 57.7.6 P250 L53 # 174
 Braga, Aldobino UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 The Reserved Variable Error type values for Table 57-16 have no PICS entries:
 Table 57-16: 00, 02-1F, 25-3F, 44-5F, 64-7F
 SuggestedRemedy
 Reserved Variable Error type values
 RIT12 | Type value 0x00 | Table 57-16 | not to be sent
 RIT13 | Type values 0x02-0x1F | Table 57-16 | not to be sent
 RIT14 | Type values 0x25-0x3F | Table 57-16 | not to be sent
 RIT15 | Type values 0x44-0x5F | Table 57-16 | not to be sent
 RIT16 | Type values 0x64-0x7F | Table 57-16 | not to be sent
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 57 **SC Figure 57-5** **P215** **L01** # **57004**
 OAM STF
Comment Type **T** **Comment Status** **A**
 Rename the states in the discovery state machine to provide more meaningful monikers.
SuggestedRemedy
 Change
 "send_local_remote_1" to "send_local_remote"
 Change
 "send_local_remote_2" to "send_local_remote_approved"
Proposed Response **Response Status** **C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Change
 "send_local_remote_1" to "send_local_remote"
 Change
 "send_local_remote_2" to "send_local_remote_ok"
 Also, change names in 57.3.2.1.4, 57.3.2.1.5 and other places as appropriate.

Cl 58 **SC 58.1** **P218** **L9** # **99331**
 Booth, Brad Intel
Comment Type **TR** **Comment Status** **A** *BB D3.0 #780*
 Sentence is very disjointed and needs better clarification.
SuggestedRemedy
 Change second sentence of paragraph to read:
 A 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10 PHY (physical layer) device is a combination of a 100BASE-X PCS and PMA with the respective PMD. If the optional OAM is being used, the 100BASE-X PCS and PMA in Clause 66 shall be integrated; otherwise, the Clause 24 100BASE-X PCS and PMA shall be integrated. The management functions may be accessible through the optional Management Interface.
Proposed Response **Response Status** **U**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 As this is a PMD clause, a shall is not appropriate in this context.
 The second sentence will be changed to:
 A PMD is connected to the 100BASE-X PMA of Clause 24 or the 100BASE-X PMA of 66.1, and to the medium through the MDI. A PMD is optionally combined with the management functions that may be accessible through the management interface defined in Clause 22 or by other means.

Cl 58 **SC 58.1** **P252** **L8** # **558**
 Booth, Brad Intel
Comment Type **TR** **Comment Status** **A** *Three clauses*
 The response for D3.0 comments #780, 786 and 787 cause me some concern. The response states that "As this is a PMD clause, a shall is not appropriate in this context." Considering all other 100BASE-X and 1000BASE-X PMDs use shalls in this context, the response is very misleading. In looking through D3.1, I have found no compliance statement related to the port types associated with the PMD. There is nothing within this draft that mandates which PCS/PMA shall be used by the Clause 58, 59 and 60 PMDs to create a compliant port type.
SuggestedRemedy
 Reconsider the responses to comments #780, 786 and 787 in D3.0.
Proposed Response **Response Status** **U**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Each one of the clauses 58, 59, and 60, defines only the PMD not a complete port and cannot make requirements outside the PMD.
 Will refer to PMA in 66, where option to be identical to clause 24, and connection to PCS, will be found.
 Clauses 56 and 66 make it very clear what is needed to build a port.
 Change "A PMD is connected to the 100BASE-X PMA of Clause 24 or the 100BASE-X PMA of 66.1," to "A PMD is connected to the 100BASE-X PMA of 66.1,".
 Similarly in 59 and 60. Remove 59.10.3 and 60.10.3 PICS "PCS". In 60.1, change "appropriate 1000BASE-X PMA of Clause 66" to "appropriate 1000BASE-X PMA of Clause 65".

Cl 58 **SC 58.10.3.2** **P287** **L11** # **394**
 Law, David 3Com
Comment Type **E** **Comment Status** **A**
 The support column options doesn't look correct for the predicated optional items.
SuggestedRemedy
 Shouldn't the support column be 'Yes [] No [] N/A []' for predicated optional items as it is for item FO4 (see 58.10.3.7), if in this case for example LX is not implemented the answer should be N/A and not Yes or No.
 Check this throughout the PICS.
Proposed Response **Response Status** **C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Change support column to 'Yes [] No [] N/A []' for LX3, BD3, and BU3.

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CI 58 SC 58.10.3.5 P288 L 6 # 334
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

This comment affects 58, 59 and 60.
 Consistency:
 OM6 in 58 says: With specified filter
 OM7 in 59 says: Per 58.7.8 and ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A using patch cable per 59.7 and fourth-order Bessel-Thomson receiver
 OM6 in 60 says: Eye must be measured with respect to mask and using Bessel-Thomson filter

SuggestedRemedy

Option 1:
 Change PICS entries in 59 and 60 to 'With specified filter'.
 Option 2: change PICS entries in 58 and 60 to:
 Per ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A using patch cable per {58.7|59.7} and fourth-order Bessel-Thomson receiver
 Option 2: change all three clauses' PICS entries to:
 Per ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with test pattern and fourth-order Bessel-Thomson receiver

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. This refers to Transmit eye.
 Change all three clauses' PICS entries to:
 "Per ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with test pattern and fourth-order Bessel-Thomson receiver"

 Make consistent across optics clauses.

CI 58 SC 58.2.1.1 P229 L 18 # 99332
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status A FBT D3.0 #288

Use of the Optical frame based test pattern of 58.8.1.1 will lead to a broadcast storm and take down the Ethernet network. This pattern is too dangerous to imbed into low-cost test equipment that could be used in the field. It is a recipe for malicious hacking.

SuggestedRemedy

Use valid 100BASE-X signal.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 The broadcast nature of the test patterns is a necessary feature of this testing mechanism to ensure that the statistics in the receiving DTE are properly incremented without having to know the destination address of the receiving DTE. The test pattern will continue to use a broadcast address.

The note that appears in 58.8.1.1 will be replicated in clauses 59 and 60 and 58A

CI 58 SC 58.4.2 P259 L 35 # 4
 Piers Dawe

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Wrong reference

SuggestedRemedy

Change 58.7.7 (RINxOMA) to 58.7.11 (stressed sensitivity)

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 58 SC 58.7 P L # 325
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

I've recently discovered that 100BASE_X can signal remote fault with a slightly modified idle called far-end fault indication or FEF1 (polarity of bits on the line flips every 85 bits). As a port which is not aware that it's being tested is may well emit this unless steps are taken to stop it, by either managing the equipment under test or feeding the port with a 100Mb/s optical signal, neither of which we want to have to do, we should allow extinction ratio, OMA and RINxOMA to be tested with FEF1 or pure idle. As it happens, it's a lucky break because there may be more ways to get an eye on the scope with this signal than with pure idle, and the difference won't perturb the measurement.

SuggestedRemedy

In table 58-9, change 'Idle' to 'Idle or far-end fault indication (see Clause 24)';
 In 58.7.1.1, extend the sentence thus 'idle pattern (1010... for 4B/5B NRZI) or the nearly identical far-end fault indication.';
 In 58.7.4, insert words: '... idle pattern (1010...) or far-end fault indication, that ...'.
 In 58.7.5, insert words: 'idle (10101... for 100BASE-LX10 and 100BASE-BX10) sequence or far-end fault indication.' and 'transmitting the idle pattern or far-end fault indication,'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 58 SC 58.7 P262 L 4 # 252
 Jönsson, Ulf Ericsson

Comment Type E Comment Status A

"apply to Clauses 58, Clause 59, and Clause 60"

SuggestedRemedy

Change to "apply to Clauses 58, 59, and 60."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 58 **SC 58.7.1** **P 266** **L 15** # **362**
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type T **Comment Status A**
 There was some issue with how we account for idles in this table.
SuggestedRemedy
 Check again and change any of the following as necessary: '13' in table 58-10, '38' in table 58-11, footnote to table 58-11.
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. See #253.

Cl 58 **SC 58.7.7.3** **P 269** **L 37** # **664**
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E **Comment Status A**
 Equation crossed out in change diff file
SuggestedRemedy
 Also 58.7.11.2 eqn (58-13)
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 The equation is not crossed out. It is an underline that shows that this equation has been changed from D3.0.

Cl 58 **SC Table 58-11** **P 229** **L 12** # **99333**
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems
Comment Type TR **Comment Status A** *FBT D3.0 #287*
 Use of the Optical frame based test pattern of 58.8.1.1 will lead to a broadcast storm and take down the Ethernet network. This pattern is too dangerous to imbed into low-cost test equipment that could be used in the field. It is a recipe for malicious hacking.
SuggestedRemedy
 Substitute with Valid 100BASE-X signal.
Proposed Response **Response Status U**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See comment 288

Cl 58 **SC Table 58-11** **P 265** **L 37** # **253**
 Jönsson, Ulf Ericsson
Comment Type T **Comment Status A**
 Assuming that the near minimum inter-packet gap (IPG) of 14 octets is the number of plain vanilla idles plus one ESD, we either have to add an extra byte to this field so that it adds up to 39 bytes or remove the footnote.

SuggestedRemedy
 Change the number of octets to 38 or remove the footnote
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Remove the footnote. Table 58-11: change to "Idle, SSD, preamble,".
 Change "This results in a six frame sequence with" to "This results in a six frame sequence on the line (after NRZI) with". See comment against 58A.
 This addresses #362 also.

Cl 58 **SC Table 58-5** **P 224** **L 16** # **99334**
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems
Comment Type TR **Comment Status R** *TDP D3.0 #289*
 The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.
SuggestedRemedy
 Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.
Proposed Response **Response Status U**
 REJECT.
 See comment 296

Cl 58A **SC 58A** **P 586** **L 34** # **58002**
 Piers Dawe
Comment Type E **Comment Status A**
 Following discussion of IPG length and possibility of dropping frames, we should warn reader that system under test may drop frames for reasons other than the integrity of the port.
SuggestedRemedy
 Add explanatory text.
Proposed Response **Response Status C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Add text:
 As the behavior above the MAC is not specified by this standard, the system under test might not be able to forward, return or respond to incoming frames at line rate. Diluting the frame rate is thought to be acceptable for 1000BASE-X but for 100BASE-X testing, groups of 12 frames should be kept together. A system might emit additional frames from a port and may need to be configured so that it does not.

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Cl 59 SC 59.1 P256 L7 # 99335

Booth, Brad

Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A BB D3.0 #786

Second sentence of second paragraph is very disjointed.

SuggestedRemedy

Change second sentence of paragraph to read:
A 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-BX10 PHY (physical layer) device is a combination of a 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA with the respective PMD. If the optional OAM is being used, the 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA in Clause 66 shall be integrated; otherwise, the Clause 36 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA shall be integrated. The management functions may be accessible through the optional Management Interface.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

As this is a PMD clause, a shall is not appropriate in this context.
The second sentence will be changed to:
A PMD is connected to the 1000BASE-X PMA of Clause 36, and to the medium through the MDI. A PMD is optionally combined with the management functions that may be accessible through the management interface defined in Clause 22 or by other means.

Cl 59 SC 59.1.2 P291 L10 # 665

Dawe, Piers

Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

"Because of the way the file was recovered, we have some extra blank lines which are throwing up change bars"

SuggestedRemedy

"In many cases in this clause, the anchor for the figure is on a line by itself. Can delete the paragraph-break sign at the end of the previous line to bring it back."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Deferred to Chief editor for resolution prior to publication.

Cl 59 SC 59.1.2 P291 L11 # 363

Dawe, Piers

Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Empty line

SuggestedRemedy

Remove unwanted line feed with care. And several more, associated with figures.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Deferred to Chief editor for resolution prior to publication.

Cl 59 SC 59.1.5.3 P292 L3 # 361

Dawe, Piers

Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

This needs updating: 'error ratio objective'.

SuggestedRemedy

Change it to 'specified bit error ratio'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.10.3.5 P318 L23 # 332

Dawe, Piers

Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Consistency: 59.10.3.5 OM4 says 'Optical power' while 58.10.3.5 OM4 and 60.10.4.6 OM3 say 'Average optical power'.

SuggestedRemedy

I would go with 'Average optical power' to avoid confusion between average optical power and OMA.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.3.1 P295 L18 # 3

Tom Murphy

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Change the line thickness in Fig 59-3 to match that of Cl 60.

SuggestedRemedy

Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.7.1 P302 L32 # 58001

Eric Lynskey

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Table 59-12 is missing SSD and ESD.

SuggestedRemedy

Add them.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Before row "preamble", insert row for SSD (1 octet). Change "preamble" to "Remainder of preamble". Change "7" to "6". After row "Frame check sequence", insert row for ESD (2 bytes).

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Cl 59 SC 59.7.1 P302 L5 # 326
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status R
 Are we being too lenient in saying that any valid 8B/10B encoded signal will do for eye mask measurement?
 SuggestedRemedy
 Consider changing to random pattern test frame.
 Proposed Response Response Status Z
 WITHDRAWN. REJECT. It is believed that the current text is preferred.

Cl 59 SC 59.7.11 P307 L43 # 327
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 ref *58.7.10*.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Make the link and clean up ref **
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC 59.7.4 P306 L6 # 666
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Two spaces in 'idles. The'?
 SuggestedRemedy
 ?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 59 SC Table 59-13 P269 L12 # 99336
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A FBT D3.0 #295
 Use of the Random pattern test frame Optical frame based test pattern of 58.8.1.1 will lead to a broadcast storm and take down the Ethernet network when broadcast mode is entered. This pattern is too dangerous to imbed into low-cost test equipment that could be used in the field. It is a recipe for malicious hacking.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Substitute with Valid 1000BASE-X signal.
 Proposed Response Response Status U
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See comment 288

Cl 59 SC Table 59-5 P263 L19 # 99337
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R TDP D3.0 #291
 The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.
 Proposed Response Response Status U
 REJECT.
 See 296

Cl 59 SC Table 59-8 P266 L27 # 99338
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadian Systems
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R TDP D3.0 #293
 The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.
 Proposed Response Response Status U
 REJECT.
 See 289

Cl 60 SC 60.1 P286 L9 # 99339
 Booth, Brad Intel
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A BB D3.0 #787
 Last sentence of first paragraph seems disjointed.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change second sentence of paragraph to read:
 A 1000BASE-PX10-D and 1000BASE-PX10-U PHY (physical layer) device is a combination of a 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA with the respective PMD. If the optional OAM is being used, the 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA in Clause 66 shall be integrated; otherwise, the Clause 36 1000BASE-X PCS and PMA as modified by 65.3 shall be integrated. The management functions may be accessible through the optional Management Interface.

Proposed Response Response Status U
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 As this is a PMD clause, a shall is not appropriate in this context.
 The second sentence will be changed to:
 A 1000BASE-PX-U PMD or a 1000BASE-PX-D PMD is connected to the appropriate 1000BASE-X PMA of Clause 66, and to the medium through the MDI. A PMD is optionally combined with the management functions that may be accessible through the management interface defined in Clause 22 or by other means.

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Cl 60 SC 60.1.5.4 P325 L 13 # 360
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 This needs updating: 'error rate objective'.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change it to 'specified bit error ratio'.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.10.4.6 P350 L 24 # 330
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 OM1 subclause entry has gone wrong somehow.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Suggest delete it and insert new link to 60.7.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.1.5.4 P325 L 13 # 412
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 I believe incorrect usage of "error rate" still exists. Though it is inspecific here, I believe the most common objective in this context that would come to mind is the BER objective of 60.1.1 item d.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "error rate" to "error ratio" per my accepted D3.0 comment #528.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Per #360, will change 'error rate objective' to 'specified bit error ratio'.

Cl 60 SC 60.10.4.6 P350 L 26 # 329
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 PICS OM2 Value/Comment needs revision to keep in step with simplified text in 60.7.2. Can be the same as in 59.10.3.5. Sorry to make this a TR, but it's easy to do.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Shorten to:
 Per TIA/EIA-455-127 under modulated conditions
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.10.2.2 P347 L 4 # 365
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Please make the table full width
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.7.13.1.2 P339 L 40 # 328
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Empty line
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete any redundant line feed.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.10.4.3 P348 L 50 # 366
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Orphan title
 SuggestedRemedy
 Maybe delete any blank line following it?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 60 SC 60.7.3 P337 L16 # 331
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

This short subclause needs updating as we have done everywhere else to move the emphasis from the measurement to the conformance. It looks like we avoided 'node' in a specification item because it isn't clearly defined in 1.4.

SuggestedRemedy

Change from:
 Optical power shall be measured using the methods specified in ANSI/EIA-455-95 [B7]. This measurement may be made with the node transmitting any valid encoded 8B/10B data stream.
 to:
 Optical power shall meet specifications according to the methods specified in ANSI/EIA-455-95. A measurement may be made with the port transmitting any valid encoded 8B/10B data stream.
 Also, change PICS to: Per TIA/EIA-455-95

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.7.4 P337 L21 # 333
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

This comment applies to 59 and 60.
 Consistency: 59.10.3.5 OM5 says 'Per ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A using patch cable per 59.7 , minimal back reflections and fourth-order Bessel-Thomson receiver', 60.10.4.6 OM4 says 'Measured using the methods specified in ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A-1997 [B13]'. Clause 58 has a slightly simpler measurement description (deliberately) so its PICS differs. It seems unnecessary to mention the patch cable again, as it has its own PICS. Editorially, we should mention the Bessel-Thomson receiver in clause and PICS, just clause, or neither - not just PICS. My apologies if we went over all this last time!

SuggestedRemedy

Option 1: Insert words into 58.7.4, 59.7.4, 60.7.4:
 'The test receiver has the frequency response as specified for the transmitter optical waveform measurement.'
 Use the following for PICS in both 59.10.3.5 OM5 and 60.10.4.6 OM4:
 Per ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with minimal back reflections and fourth-order Bessel-Thomson receiver
 Option 2: Use the following for PICS in both 59.10.3.5 OM5 and 60.10.4.6 OM4:
 Per ANSI/TIA/EIA-526-4A with minimal back reflections
 Consider doing 60.7.4 by reference: change contents to:
 The measurement extinction ratio procedure for 1000BASE-PX is as defined in 58.7.7.
 As long as we are sure they will stay the same.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Option 1. Don't do 60.7.4 by reference.

Cl 60 SC 60.7.4 P337 L24 # 667
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Two spaces in 'idles. The'?

SuggestedRemedy
 ?

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 60 SC 60.8.11 P304 L8 # 99340
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadiant Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status A FBT D3.0 #300

Requires a test pattern rather than live traffic.

SuggestedRemedy

Use valid or live 1000BASE-X traffic for all stressed receiver conformance tests in

Proposed Response Response Status U
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace last sentence with last sentence of 59.9.14 with the appropriate references

Cl 60 SC 60.9.3 P345 L18 # 364
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Empty line?

SuggestedRemedy

If so, remove unwanted line feed. Also at line 52?

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 60 SC Table 60-5 P 293 L 19 # 99341
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadiant Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status R TDP D3.0 #296

The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

TDP is a dispersion based path penalty test and is the more comprehensive of the two. If it were substituted by path penalty, then additional tests would have to be added. TDP testing has been under development for ~3 years in 10G and is accepted in this community. An alternative testing mechanism would need considerable scrutiny before it could be implemented.

Cl 60 SC Table 60-8 P 296 L 31 # 99342
 Paul Fitzgerald Circadiant Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status R TDP D3.0 #298

The TDP test is not achieving widespread support.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to a Path Penalty Test with a minimum specified amount of dispersion in the test fiber.

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

See # 296

Cl 61 SC 61 P L # 370
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Surprisingly, nowhere in the draft is there a statement of which RS the 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS PHYs connect to. Even if the editors believe that it's 'obviously' clause 22, that doesn't mean it's the case: one would not obviously expect low-speed PHYs to use the 10G MDIO clause 45, but they do. Or, there could be new PHY-specific RSs for these PHYs. Further, if it's clause 22, can I run it at 10 Mb/s for 10PASS-TS? I can't tell from this draft.

SuggestedRemedy

Whatever the situation is, explain it at appropriate length in 61, and provide the chief editor with a single sentence for the end of 56.1.2.2. Correct and better my suggestion: 'EFM electrical {links|connections} use the reconciliation sublayer of clause 22 operating at {10|100} Mb/s.' Thanks!

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

To be discussed with comment #410.

Subclause 61.1.4.1.2 already says:

"The 10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL PCS is specified to work with a MAC operating at 100 Mb/s using the MII as defined in Clause 22." Therefore there is no need to add text to Clause 61.

Add following sentences to the end of 56.1.2.2:

"EFM Copper links use the MII of Clause 22 operating at 100 Mb/s. This is described in 61.1.4.1.2."

Cl 61 SC 61 P 353 L 1 # 201
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Clause title is inaccurate.

SuggestedRemedy

Change Clause title to:

61. Physical Coding Sublayer (PCS), Transmission Convergence (TC) sublayer, and common specifications, type 10PASS-TS and type 2BASE-TL

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Note: change titles of PICS subclauses; check for occurrences of Clause title elsewhere in the document.

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Cl 61 SC 61.1 P354 L20 # 376
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The draft text calls the CO - "centralized distribution equipment" and CPE - "line termination equipment owned or controlled by a subscriber ". In the xDSL world (see ITU-T 993.1 and 995.1 for example) the CO side is called Line Termination (LT) and the CPE side is called Network Termination (NT). In addition in some cases the CPE may be owned and controlled by an operator (carrier).

SuggestedRemedy
 Replace lines 20-21 with:
 "between centralized line termination equipment, such as a Central Office (CO), and network termination equipment at the remote customer premises (Customer Premises Equipment, CPE)."

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Strike the words "line termination".
 Replace "owned or controlled by a subscriber" with "located at the subscriber premises"

Cl 61 SC 61.1.1 P354 L44 # 508
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 term 3.4.1. is not a register, it is a bit

SuggestedRemedy
 change text to 'parts of register 3.4'

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.1 P354 L45 # 579
 Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Register 3.73 also applies.

SuggestedRemedy
 Change "... 3.60 through 3.72 specified in ..."

to: "... 3.60 through 3.73 specified in ..."

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Change "... 3.60 through 3.72 specified in ..."
 to: "... 3.60 through 3.73 specified in ..."

 In Table 45-58, replace second occurrence of 3.72 with 3.73. Replace "3.73 through 3.32767 - Reserved" with "3.74 through 3.32767 - Reserved".

Cl 61 SC 61.1.1. P354 L45 # 445
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 wrong register number
 SuggestedRemedy
 change 3.72 to 3.73 (or accordingly, if any registers are added or removed during the meeting)

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 See also comment #579.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.2 P354 L54 # 420
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status R
 Unclear what "without interference" means.

SuggestedRemedy
 Delete these two words.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 This exact wording was chosen for consistency with the definition in IEEE Std 802.3-2002 subclause 1.4.135.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.3 P356 L30 # 421
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Figure 61-1 references T1.424/Trial-Use, while Clause 62 was changed in D3.1 to reference ANSI T1.424.

SuggestedRemedy
 Align Figure 61-1 with Clause 62 by deleting words "Trial-Use" from Figure.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.4.1 P356 L30 # 422
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 hyphen between "data" and "interface" unnecessary.

SuggestedRemedy
 remove it.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.1.4.1.1 P357 L 6 # 559
Booth, Brad Intel

Comment Type T Comment Status A

I'm a bit concerned about how this is worded. MII is an exposed interface; therefore, it is a compliant point. There is no statement about compliance with that point. MII also includes the management interface, but you make no compliance statement about including or excluding it (only that these ports do not utilize the management interface).

SuggestedRemedy

Change the text to read:
10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL may make use of the MII specified in Clause 22. It is highly recommended that 10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL management interface utilize the MDIO interface as specified Clause 45.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
Change the text to read:
"10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL specify the optional use of the MII electrical interface as defined in Clause 22 (see also 61.1.5.2). 10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL do not utilize the MII management interface as described in 22.2.4. The use of the MDIO interface specified in Clause 45 or an equivalent management interface is recommended."

Cl 61 SC 61.1.4.1.1 P357 L 7 # 580
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Optional support for the Clause 45 management interface needs to be mentioned since it is declared that the clause 22 management interface will not be supported.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the end of the sentence from: "described in 22.2.4."

to: "... described in 22.2.4, but may optionally utilize the management interface described in Clause 45."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
See resolution of comment #559.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.4.1.1. P357 L 7 # 509
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

not clear whether and how 10PassTS and 2BASE-TL utilizes another management interface

SuggestedRemedy

add a note that management interface according to clause 45.1 (extensions to MDIO with MMD concept) will be used instead

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
See resolution of comment #559.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.4.1.2 P357 L 15 # 410
Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

I commend those responsible for inclusion of this note in Clause 61 for their honesty. It is though unconcionable if any member of the Task Force voted to recirculate this document if they knew it was incomplete in implementing changes required by D3.0 comment resolution. A sponsor ballot recirculation is not the time to be asking the group to help fix a problem.

I agree with the editor's note suggestion that the current draft is inconsistent with Clause 22, at a minimum the first paragraph of 22.2.2.9.

SuggestedRemedy

I would recommend adding a subclause to 61 (and any other new clause if required) that describes the divergence from the MII specification. Specifically state that unlike other PHY layers (e.g., 100BASE-T), CRS is not always deasserted when both the receive and transmit medium are idle. CRS may be asserted by the PHY to reduce the effective MAC rate to that of the PHY.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
To be discussed with comment #370.

Remove the Editor's Note from 61.1.4.1.2.

In 61.1.4.1.1 add:
"Notwithstanding the specifications in 22.2.2.9, CRS may be asserted by a full-duplex EFM Copper PHY to reduce the effective MAC rate to that of the PHY."

Add following sentence to 61.2.1.2.1:
"CRS is forced to the value of the carrierSense variable (see 61.2.1.3.2)"

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Cl 61 SC 61.1.4.1.2 P357 L20 # 556
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**
 MAC does not check CRS. The MAC uses carrierSense which is mapped from CRS (see note in 22.2.1.3.3).
 SuggestedRemedy
 Prior to transmission, the MAC checks the carrierSense variable (mapped from the MII signal CRS), and will not transmit another frame as long as CRS is asserted.
 Proposed Response Response Status **U**
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.4.1.4 P357 L54 # 510
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**
 abbreviation IB not clear
 SuggestedRemedy
 add an entry for IB (indicator bits??) to the abbreviation list
 Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.5.3 P358 L51 # 511
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type **T** Comment Status **A**
 accdg. to clause 45.2.3.19 PME Avail. Register, the PME Avail must only allow the connection to 1 MII prior enabling the links
 SuggestedRemedy
 add a note that the same PME may not be listed in different PME avail. register at line start up
 Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Add footnote to Tables 61-2 and 61-3 that these mappings are only allowed in a CO environment.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.5.3.1 P359 L4 # 583
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**
 There are three MMDs discussed, the PCS, TC, and PMA/PMD (shown in Figure 61-3 and discussed as the PME).
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change the second sentence from:
 "... assume that only two MMDs are used: PCS (MMD=3), and TC (MMD=TBD)."
 to: "... assume that only three MMDs are used: PCS (MMD=3), TC (MMD=6), and PMA/PMD (MMD=1, shown as PME in Figure 61-3)."

Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Change the second sentence from:
 "... assume that only two MMDs are used: PCS (MMD=3), and TC (MMD=TBD)."
 to: "... assume that only three MMDs are used: PCS (MMD=3), TC (MMD=6), and PMA/PMD (MMD=1. The combination of TC, PMA and PMD is shown as PME in Figure 61-3."

Cl 61 SC 61.1.5.3.1 P359 L5 # 581
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**
 The TC MMD is 6.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change TBD to 6.
 Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.
 See also comment #446.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.5.3.1. P359 L5 # 446
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**
 MMD undefined
 SuggestedRemedy
 change MMD = TBD to MMD = 6
 Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.
 See also comment #581.

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Cl 61 SC 61.1.5.3.2 P361 L33 # 512
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 accdg. to 45.2.3.19 1 PME may only be aggregatable to 1 MII

SuggestedRemedy
 add a note that this connectivity reflects the reset capability and has to be limited as described in 45.2.3.19 before enabling the links, applies to example b as well

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See resolution of comment #511.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.5.3.2. P359 L38 # 447
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Register numbering changed

SuggestedRemedy
 change x.3.46 and x.3.47 to x.3.62 and x.3.63. This applies also to Tables 61-1, 61-2, 61-3

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.5.3.3 P361 L49 # 448
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Register numbering changed

SuggestedRemedy
 change x.3.48 and x.3.49 to x.3.64 and x.3.65. This applies also to Tables 61-4, 61-5, 61-6

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.1.5.3.3 P362 L44 # 513
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 footnote applies to all 3 tables

SuggestedRemedy
 put the footnote a to all 3 tables

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.10.4.4 P408 L33 # 203
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 PICS entries of former subclause 61.3.12 (now 61.4.8) seem to be out-of-date.

SuggestedRemedy
 Look for occurrences of the verb "shall" in subclause 61.4.8, and create a PICS entry for each of them. PICS entries HS-8 and HS-9 may become obsolete.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.1.1 P363 L24 # 584
 Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Add the variable name and cross-reference for MII receive during transmit.

SuggestedRemedy
 Add the following after the sentence on line 23 (ends with while the MAC is transmitting.):

See MII receive during transmit, Clause 45.2.3.18.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2 P365 L39 # 423
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 "PMEPME"

SuggestedRemedy
 delete 1 "PME"

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 See also comment #601 and #449.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2 P365 L39 # 601
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PME

SuggestedRemedy
 PME

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 See also comment #423 and #449.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.2. P365 L 39 # 449
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 typo: Change PMPME to PME
 SuggestedRemedy
 as described
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 See also comments #601 and #423.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.3 P368 L 34 # 450
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Excessive capitalization ;-): change AGGREGATION to Aggregation
 SuggestedRemedy
 as described
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.1 P369 L 6 # 451
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Description of expected sequence number: The second part of the first paragraph and the second paragraph are repeated some lines below (line 33, 42) literally.
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove sentences 'As fragments are received, ...' and 'In addition to the expected sequence number ...'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.2 P369 L 43 # 453
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 (anyQueueNonEmpty = TRUE) * (noFragmentProcessed = TRUE) (see state diagram) and the description in page 370, line 31 (any PME queue has been non-empty for maxDifferentialDelay bit times without any fragment being processed) are not completely equivalent: it does matter which queue is non empty
 SuggestedRemedy
 Combine (anyQueueNonEmpty = TRUE) * (noFragmentProcessed = TRUE) to just one transition condition:
 noFragmentsProcessed_Timer
 variable of type boolean that indicates whether at least one active queue has been non-empty for maxDifferentialDelay bit times at the bit rate of the PMD associated with that queue. Each fragment processed on any queue restarts all per-queue timers.
 TRUE if a timeout of maxDifferentialDelay bit times has expired
 FALSE if the timeout of maxDifferentialDelay bit times has not yet expired
 remove variable anyQueueNonEmpty (page 369, line 27)
 change state diagram accordingly
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.2 P369 L 43 # 452
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 The transition conditions 'noFragmentsProcessed' and 'oneQueueNonEmpty' depend on the expiration of timers. To make this more obvious, add '_timer' to the variables.
 SuggestedRemedy
 change to 'noFragmentsProcessed_Timer' and to 'oneQueueNonEmpty_Timer' in 61.2.2.4.2. and in Figure 61-11
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.2 P370 L 10 # 455
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 smallestFragmentSequenceNumber is missing
 SuggestedRemedy
 add smallestFragmentSequenceNumber: smallest sequence number of fragments at the head of per-PME queues
 remove space in figure 61-11
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.2 P370 L2 # 454
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Definition of oneQueueNonEmpty:
 TRUE if at least one active queue has been non-empty for at least maxDifferentialDelay bit times
 FALSE if all active queues have been non-empty for less than maxDifferentialDelay bit times
 The FALSE condition is not the correct inverting of the TRUE condition (e.g. in the case that all queues are empty neither TRUE nor FALSE are fulfilled).

SuggestedRemedy
 Change to 'FALSE otherwise'

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.4.4. P370 L36 # 456
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

description for overflow misleading:
 change '... causes an overflow ...' to '... causes a frame length overflow ...'.
 This frame length overflow error is described in chapter 61.2.2.7.3.
 If a buffer overflow in frame buffer (after reassembly) should be counted (like TC_PAF_Overflow does for fragment buffer), this error condition needed to be defined additionally.

SuggestedRemedy
 change '... causes an overflow ...' to '... causes a frame length overflow ...'

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Replace
 "causes an overflow ..."
 with
 "causes a frame length overflow ..."

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.5 P371 L48 # 514
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

not clear what exactly 'significantly' means

SuggestedRemedy
 add that therefore no extra buffer size per PME needs to be foreseen

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Replace:
 "Differences in electrical length will not contribute significantly to the differential latency."
 With:
 "Differences in electrical length will not contribute significantly to the differential latency; no additional per-PME buffer size is required for this variation."

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.6 P372 L38 # 457
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

A maxFragmentSize fragment is currently 512+2 octets for header = 514 octets long. But receive buffer size definition is based on 512 octets.
 Furthermore 514 is not dividable by 4 as required in c).

SuggestedRemedy
 remove 'not' in a and b: min 64 and max 512 _including_ PAF header.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 In c) add: "not including PAF Header". Bullets a) and b) are left as they are.

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 (Schneiderheinze/Cravens)
 APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT

REJECT.
 Approve: 4 Don't Approve: 0 Abstain: 3
 The NOTE on page 370 states that "These restrictions ensure that buffer sizes for receivers of 2^14 bits per PME are sufficient.", which is more than 514 bytes.

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. (FAIL)
 Approve: 1 Don't Approve: 3 Abstain: 3
 Delete bullet c.

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. (FAIL)
 Approve: 2 Don't Approve: 2 Abstain: 4

remove second 'not' in a and b: min 64 and max 512 _including_ PAF header.
 Remove bullet c.

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Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.6 P372 L39 # 602
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

What value does (d) add? According to 61.2.2.5, latency has to be controlled to meet restriction (a) in 61.2.2.5. Whats so special about 512-octets? What about 511-octets - is that really much different?

Anyway, it is redundant and misleading.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove (d).

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Remove (d) as a requirement, but replicate the content in the form of an informative NOTE, to avoid new comments about the apparent incompatibility of the different requirements. In the NOTE, replace "512" with "maxFragmentSize".

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.7. P373 L10 # 458
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Typo:framgent

SuggestedRemedy

fix it

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.7.3. P374 L3 # 459
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

One error condition is currently not handled: while packet assembly function is between frames a fragment with neither SoP nor EoP is received.
 Signal PAF_Lost can also be used for that condition, but we need a new variable missingStartOfPacket in the state diagram.

SuggestedRemedy

page 374, line 3: remove 'the EndOfPacket bit asserted and'.
 in 61.2.2.4.2 and in Figure 61-11: add missingStartOfPacket

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.3 P375 L5 # 515
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

accdg. to 45.2.6.3.1 the remote_discovery_register is not a register, but a variable which is only defined for the -R ports, neither aggregation_state_register

SuggestedRemedy

add these 2 registers to Clause 45 (PCS part, valid only for -R devices, read only, can be only modified using remote address) or add a note that these 2 'registers' are variables

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Informative note shall be added on p 375/ I 5..

Cl 61 SC 61.2.2.8.4 P375 L37 # 516
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

no remote discovery register as real register with dedicated address defined in clause 45

SuggestedRemedy

define clause45.3 (PCS) remote_discovery_register (valid only for CPE types, read only, can only be modified using remote accesses)

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See resolution of comment #515.

Cl 61 SC 61.2.3 P376 L49 # 517
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A

wrong cross ref

SuggestedRemedy

update to 45.2.3.17.1

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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CI 61 SC 61.2.3 P377 L39 # 518
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 no definition of remote_discovery_register given clause 45
 SuggestedRemedy
 define remote_discovery_register and assign address
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See resolution of comment #515.

CI 61 SC 61.2.3. P377 L1 # 460
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 wrong Gamma-Signal name
 SuggestedRemedy
 change RxErr to Rx_Err
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Note: Editor is requested to check rest of Clause for incorrect names of gamma-interface signals.

CI 61 SC 61.2.3. P377 L44 # 461
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 wrong cross reference
 SuggestedRemedy
 change to 45.2.6.3.1
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

CI 61 SC 61.3.1 P379 L4 # 390
 kimpe, marc Adtran
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R
 Comment applies to table 61-9. It was our initial intention to keep the gamma interface identical to G.993.1. It appears that signals have been added. I can understand the extra functionality needed for the optional PAF aggregation. I do not understand the need for the TC_link_state bit.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Either remove TC_link_state or use one of the existing gamma interface signal to carry its functionality

Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 This signal has been present in the draft since D1.2, perhaps earlier.
 This signal is needed because the PAF needs to know the status of the link state. The addition of the signal preserves layering.
 The resulting gamma-interface is a superset of the PTM-TC gamma-interface defined in G.993.1.

CI 61 SC 61.3.2 P379 L27 # 519
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 term PMD PME not correct
 SuggestedRemedy
 remove PMD
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC 61.3.2.1 P380 L12 # 63003
 Michael Beck on behalf of T1E1.4

Comment Type T Comment Status A *n response to liaison from T1*
 ATIS Committee T1E1.4 requests that IEEE 802.3ah reserve 8 codepoints in the codespace of the PMA_PMD_type signal of the alpha(beta)-interface for ATIS use.

SuggestedRemedy
 Reserve 8 codepoints in the codespace of the PMA_PMD_type signal of the alpha(beta)-interface for ATIS use.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Modify the description of the PMA_PMD_type signal in Table 61-10 to read:

Signal indicating PMA/PMD type.

Defined values:

00: 10PASS-TS CO subtype
 01: 2BASE-TL CO subtype
 02-7B: reserved for allocation by IEEE 802.3
 7C-7F: reserved for allocation by ATIS T1E1.4

80: 10PASS-TS CPE subtype
 81: 2BASE-TL CPE subtype
 82-FB: reserved for allocation by IEEE 802.3
 FC-FF: reserved for allocation by ATIS T1E1.4

Cl 61 SC 61.3.2.1 P380 L13 # 520
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 PMA_PMD Type: accodg. to Cl45.2.1.12 a PM can support CPE and CO operation, coding however does not allow operation of -O and -R device

SuggestedRemedy
 define coding for all 6 different scenarios

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This signal is used to communicate the operating mode of the PMD during Showtime. It preserves laying and is used, for example, to control the selection of the TC-CRC.

Replace "type" with "mode of operation".

Cl 61 SC 61.3.2.2 P380 L28 # 462
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 typo

SuggestedRemedy
 change clt_t to clk_t

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.1 P382 L32 # 463
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status R
 'No new fragment shall be transmitted when TC_link_state = FALSE (TC_link_state is defined in 61.3.3.7). If a fragment is being transmitted when TC_link_state becomes false, the End of Frame codeword completing the fragment shall not contain an S symbol after the end of the fragment'
 does not describe the behaviour correctly, since the state machine was changed to react immediately on TC_link_state changes.

SuggestedRemedy
 Change to 'If a fragment is being transmitted when TC_link_state becomes false, the transmission of the fragment is aborted immediately.'

Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

See comment #202

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.3 P385 L8 # 464
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 In the 2BASE-TL polynomial there is a mistake: in the first part terms x^{20} and x^{23} have to be removed.

SuggestedRemedy
 remove terms

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 The terms x^{18} and x^{19} on the left side of the equation should be placed in a more logical order.
 In the second factor, x^{22} should be replaced by $x^{21}+x^{20}$.

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Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.5.1 P387 L5 # 521
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 reference to clause 45 register bit missing

SuggestedRemedy

add cross ref of reset to register 3.6.xx (reset bit definition still missing - see different comment addressing this issue)

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Also remove second occurrence of "sublayer".

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.5.1. P387 L12 # 465
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

FourUnequivocalSyncs:
 the definition used in D3.0 is covered fully by a) and b).
 c) is a new requirement compared to D3.0, that additionally makes the sync detection algorithm far more complicated than necessary.

SuggestedRemedy

remove c)

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.5.2 P387 L44 # 200
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Figure 61-17 is not introduced by a "shall"-statement.

SuggestedRemedy

Change text to: The receiver shall implement the sync detect state machine shown in Figure 61-17.
 Add corresponding PICS entry.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.7.1 P389 L22 # 130
 Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 Missing variable definition

SuggestedRemedy

Add a definition for TC_synchronized (used in state SYNC_IDLE) - probably copy from 61.3.3.7.2. This variable is now defined 3 different times in 5 pages. If it wasn't so late in the process, I'd recommend combining all the variable definitions for all 3 state diagrams (61-17, 61-18, and 61-19). This may be more than you want to take on at this late date. Just be careful how this variable is described so there is no conflicting definitions.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Editor will use a pointer to an existing definition.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.7.1 P390 L34 # 202
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

Comment Type T Comment Status A

In Figure 61-18, a change in variable TC_link_stateCHANGE causes an abrupt change in the transmitted pattern, forcing the remote to lose sync. This behavior may be unwanted.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove k <= 0 from state INIT.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

See comment #463

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.7.1. P389 L35 # 466
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The transmit fifo described here needs to be flushed in case of loosing sync (can be done e.g. in the INIT state), otherwise the transmission might start with an incomplete fragment after regaining sync

SuggestedRemedy

add appropriate hint here

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add buffer flush to INIT state (now called SYNC_LOSS).

See comments #202 & #463 also.

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Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.7.2. P391 L28 # 470
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
Comment Type T Comment Status A Elevated from "E" to "T"
Rx_EoP not used any more in state diagram
SuggestedRemedy
remove Rx_EoP definition
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.4.1 P392 L45 # 427
Barry, O'Mahony Intel
Comment Type T Comment Status A
G.994.1 will be updated at the April SG15 meeting.
SuggestedRemedy
Update reference to G.994.1 (see Q4/15 liaison). Also update in Clause 1.
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.7.2. P391 L54 # 471
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
Comment Type T Comment Status A
definition of decode(octet B) can be simplified: between 0 and 63: valid C(k), greater or equal 64: not valid C(k).
other values are not used in state diagram
SuggestedRemedy
change definition accordingly
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.
See resolution of comment #133.

Cl 61 SC 61.3.3.8 P392 L25 # 522
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
Comment Type T Comment Status A
remote TC synchronized will be passed to clause 45 and missing in management entity list
SuggestedRemedy
add remote TC synchronized and cross ref to 45.2.6.10
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Note the state machine variable is remote_TC_out_of_sync (i.e., the inverse of the Clause 45 bit). Note also that reference on page 391, line 21 is incorrect (should be 45.2.6.10).

Correct text accordingly.

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Cl 61 SC 61.4.3 P394 L 54 # 208
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Toneset V43 was created in ITU, as a reaction to the liaison of the IEEE EFM Task Force (DFW, TX, 10-13 March 2003) to ITU, stating that IEEE for 10PASS-TS had chosen B43 for the MCM line code, and "B4" for the SCM line code (B4 was a new toneset proposed by IEEE to ITU).

In a liaison to the IEEE EFM Task Force, ITU proposed to replace the B4 toneset by toneset V43 as a common toneset to be used for both SCM and MCM

As SCM is not anymore in consideration for 10PASS-TS, the need for a new toneset B4 or V43 in the US0-DS1 band has disappeared. Therefore, we propose to replace the toneset V43 by the tonesets currently under discussion in ITU.

SuggestedRemedy

Align the definition of mandatory tonesets in 10PASS-TS with a possible liaison to IEEE from ITU as a result of SG15/Q4 March 8-12, San Francisco meeting.

In the absence of a liaison from ITU, following resolution is proposed:

Table 61-13:

D43 (a)
 US: 9, 17, 25; max pwr -1.65 dBm
 DS: 257 383 511; max pwr -3.65 dBm

E43 (a)
 US: 37, 45, 53; max pwr -1.65 dBm
 DS: 257 383 511; max pwr -3.65 dBm

F43 (a,b)
 US: 944, 999, 1037; max pwr -16.65 dBm
 DS: 257 383 511; max pwr -3.65 dBm

- a) In some jurisdictions it may be necessary to limit the maximum downstream power level, for example -23.65 dBm/carrier where the PSD is limited to -60 dBm/Hz.
- b) It is expected that the sufficient power back-off is applied to the upstream tones of short lines to avoid excessive crosstalk into adjacent pairs during the handshake.

Table 61-14: D43, E43 and F43 are mandatory tonesets for 10PASS-TS. Add note: "Note 1: In some jurisdictions the use of a particular toneset may be prohibited for regulatory reasons."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Given the results of March 8-12 Q4/15 meeting, the pointer to V43 remains. V43P and V43I will not be referenced, but under the current specification it is allowed to transmit these tonesets in addition to the mandatory toneset V43.

Cl 61 SC 61.4.3 P395 L 17 # 413
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Table 61-15 is a duplicate of Table 3/G.994.1.

This comment is submitted on behalf of ITU-T Q4/15. Q4/15 in their liaison requests that we reference the table in G.994.1 instead of reproducing it.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete Table 61-15; insert reference to Table 3/G.994.1.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Delete Table 61-15; insert reference to Table 3/G.994.1.
 Table 61-13 shall also be replaced by a reference.

Cl 61 SC 61.4.8 P396 L 30 # 523
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Not necessarily all CLR messages have to be preceded by MR/REQ-CLR message (i.e. -R initiated start up)

SuggestedRemedy

rephrase sentence that each CLR message might be preceded by MR/REQ-CLR message

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Change NOTE 2 to:
 "In the transactions specified in this subclause, each CLR message may be preceded by MR/REQ-CLR messages. Each CL message is followed by an ACK(1). These messages are not shown in the diagrams."

Cl 61 SC 61.4.8.1 P396 L 48 # 524
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status R

remote discovery accesses only valuable if CPE sets PME Aggregation Discovery SPar(2) bit to 1(PAF available)

SuggestedRemedy

add this note

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.
 The first sentence of this subclause reads:
 "2BASE-TL-R and 10PASS-TS-R PHYs shall assert the PME Aggregation Discovery SPar(2) bit in all G.994.1 CLR messages, if and only if its local PAF_available bit is set."
 This implies the information requested by the commenter.

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Cl 61 SC 61.4.8.1 P398 L7 # 525
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 A CLR message sent by the -R device is always followed by a CL (not a CLR message)
 SuggestedRemedy
 rename CLR to CL on line 7, 25, 43
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.4.8.3 P399 L 30 # 419
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 As it currently stands, even with changes made to D3.1, the text leaves the behavior of the PHYs when the PMA/PMD Link Control bit is set to one in the "-R" 10P/2B Link Control register (Table 45-10a) undefined. In fact, it states it is out of scope. This needs to be fixed. Also, not all values of PMA/PMD type selection are supported in all cases.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Modify the text beginning at line 30 to read as follows:

 If the PMA/PMD link control bit is set to 1 in the -O device (Table 45-10a), or discovery register operations are initiated (Table 45-59b), or link partner aggregation register operations are initiated (Table 45-59c), the -O device initiates G.994.1 startup procedures by transmitting C-TONES.

 If the PMA/PMD link control bit is set to 1 in the -R device (Table 45-10a), the -R device initiates G.994.1 startup procedures by transmitting R-TONES-REQ.

 NOTE—"R" device initiated start-up is outside the scope of this standard. {delete Note}

 At the conclusion of G.994.1 startup, the "-R" device shall begin G.994.1 transactions by transmitting an MR message.

 If the G.994.1 session was initiated by the PMA/PMD link control bit (signifying that the link is to be brought up) in either the "-O" or "-R" device, then the "-O" device shall respond with an MS message specifying the configured mode of operation. However, if the PMA/PMD type selection bits in the "-O" device are set to the value 0011 or 0100, and a capabilities exchange has not previously taken place, the "-O" device shall instead respond with an REQ-CLR so that a capabilities is performed. Following the final message of the capabilities exchange (i.e., an ACK(1)), the "-R" device once again sends an MR message. The "-O" device shall respond with an MS message specifying the configured mode of operation.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Implement suggested remedy.

 Additionally, add a new bit to Clause 45, such that the following definitions can be used:

 PMA/PMD link control:
 controls whether PHY sends tones to initiate G.994.1 session
 -R default:1
 -O default:0

 PMA/PMD responding:
 controls whether PHY should respond to incoming G.994.1 tones.
 -R default:1
 -O default:1

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Cl 61 SC 61.4.8.3 P399 L 30 # 526
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

4 chapters beginning at line 30 just specify certain parts out of the entire activation, these parts do not consider experiences made in the past when bringing up systems controlled by g.994.1 sessions

SuggestedRemedy

remove 4 chapters and replace them by the following text:
'The first g.994.1 session after Power Up, no matter whether this is a discovery operation, a Partner aggregationregister operation or a PMA/PMD link operation, should use the g.994.1 -R initiated startup and send a CLR message. Following sessions may be initiated either by the -O device (i.e. wake up out of silence) or by the -R device (i.e. silence period expired).
At the conclusion of the first g.994.1 startup session after power up, the -R device shall begin following g.994.1 transactios with a CLR or MR message. After silence periods (silence timer expired, or wake up scenario) the -R device shall begin g.994.1 transactions with an MR message.
If the g.994.1 session was initiated by the PMA/PMD link control bit (see 45.2.1.11) preceding discovery operation and/or partner aggregation register operation, then the -o device shall respond with an MS message specifying the configured mode of operation, otherwise with an REQ-CLR'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
See resolution of comment #419.

Cl 61 SC 61.4.8.3 P399 L 45 # 527
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

depending on the g.994.1 message the -o device received before, the -o device has to respond aedequately

SuggestedRemedy

change the part of the sentence in the following way:'..., then the -O device shall respond with and REQ-CLR (MR received before) or with a CL message (CLR received before).

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC 61.4.8.3 P399 L 48 # 528
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Cleardown condition not correct. Aggregation has 3 different stage, and each link can be in a different stage. Between the stages there might be some breaks where no actions takes place on this link (none of the 3 mentioned bits set). In this breaks no clear down process shall be started

SuggestedRemedy

Remove entire sentence, see different comment which is asking for dedicated clear down bit in register 45.1.30 (chapter 45.2.11)

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
Replace "signifying a G.994.1 cleardown." with "with the SPar(1) silence bit set." (see appropriate Clause 45 register for configuration of the silence period)

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CI 61 SC 61.6 P 400 L 17 # 209
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

61.6, "MDI specifications", states that "local regulations may dictate interface characteristics in addition to or in place of some or all of these requirements".

61.8, "Environmental specifications", states that "the specific requirements of the network operator or the local authority having jurisdiction shall prevail in all cases".

These statements override the specific requirements of Clause 62 and Clause 63, and may impact the performance of EFM Copper systems. There is no text to warn the implementer/user that this may result in non-compliance with this standard.

SuggestedRemedy

Add the following informative text to 61.7 "System considerations"

NOTE---It is recognized that an EFM Copper system may have to comply with additional requirements and/or restrictions outside the scope of this standard (see 61.6 and 61.8 for examples) in order to be allowed to be connected to a public infrastructure in a certain geographic area or regulatory environment. These additional requirements and/or restrictions may prohibit operation under certain profiles, or degrade the performance of the system when working under certain profiles. If this is the case, the system is not compliant with this standard, as compliant systems support all profiles (see Annex 62A for 10PASS-TS and Annex 63A for 2BASE-TL) and meet all performance guidelines (see Annex 62B for 10PASS-TS and Annex 63B for 2BASE-TL).

A compliant CPE-side system cannot distinguish a CO-side system designed to operate under a limited set of profiles from a fully compliant CO-side system, as the selection of profiles is under control of the CO-side. A CPE-side system designed to operate under a limited set of profiles cannot be guaranteed to correctly interoperate with compliant CO-side systems.

It is recommended that vendors of systems that support a limited set of profiles provide PICS forms to indicate which profiles are supported, in order to allow users to assess the impact on interoperability.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

NOTE---It is recognized that an EFM Copper system may have to comply with additional requirements and/or restrictions outside the scope of this standard (see 61.6 and 61.8 for examples) in order to be allowed to be connected to a public infrastructure in a certain geographic area or regulatory environment. These additional requirements and/or restrictions may prohibit operation under certain profiles, or degrade the performance of the system when working under certain profiles. This may limit the system's compliance with this standard, as compliant systems support all profiles (see Annex 62A for 10PASS-TS and Annex 63A for 2BASE-TL) and meet all performance guidelines (see Annex 62B for 10PASS-TS and Annex 63B for 2BASE-TL).

A compliant CPE-side system cannot distinguish a CO-side system designed to operate under a limited set of profiles from a fully compliant CO-side system, as the selection of profiles is under control of the CO-side. A CPE-side system designed to operate under a limited set of profiles cannot be guaranteed to correctly interoperate with compliant CO-side systems.

It is recommended that vendors of systems that support a limited set of profiles provide

PICS forms to indicate which profiles are supported, in order to allow users to assess the impact on interoperability.

CI 61 SC 61.7 P 400 L 23 # 289
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

only in the wrong place

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'Both EFM Copper port types are only defined for full duplex operation,' to 'Both EFM Copper port types are defined for full duplex operation only,'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 61 SC Figure 61-14 P 381 L 39 # 128
 Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Wrong symbol

SuggestedRemedy

After the FCS is inserted, the following symbol should be "Z" not "S", as is described by the hex value pointing to this symbol

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

CI 61 SC Figure 61-15 P 384 L 9 # 129
 Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

The base number "16" isn't showing up clearly - only the "1" is showing up

SuggestedRemedy

Either change the width of the box so the "16" shows up or drop the subscript base entirely, perhaps adding a note at the bottom of the figure stating that all octets other than Dx are in hexadecimal notation.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Given the limited amount of space in the little rectangles, the CuSTF favors dropping the subscripts in this Figure, and adding a note at the bottom of the figure stating that all octets other than Dx are in hexadecimal notation.

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Cl 61 SC Figure 61-18 P390 L29 # 131
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

I think you made this change at my suggestion back in January but I'm not sure I like the ramifications. Whenever TC_link_state changes to FALSE, the 64/65-octet boundary changes since the variable k is reset to 0 immediately upon this occurrence.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the k<=0 assignment from state INIT

Create a parallel state to INIT that keeps the k<=0 assignment. Add a global input to this state for "BEGIN" then copy the definition of BEGIN from 61.3.3.5.1 to 61.3.3.7.1. Modify state names as desired.

BEGIN wants to assign a value to k. TC_link_state changing to FALSE should not change the value for k.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.
Rename the current state INIT to SYNC_LOSS. Call the newly created state INIT.
See also comment #202.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-18 P390 L34 # 467
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

add 'Reset'-Transition into state 'INIT'

SuggestedRemedy

add 'Reset'-Transition into state 'INIT'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.
See resolution of comment #131.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-18 P390 L43 # 469
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A Upgraded to 'T' by Editor

In state END_DATA: k:=k+1 needs to be done because of the transmission of C(k). The incrementation of k for each octet was already done in PULL_PAF_DATA2. It does functionally not matter, but it would be better understandable if k:=k+1 was done in END_FRAGMENT.

SuggestedRemedy

move 'k:=k+1' from END_DATA to END_FRAGMENT

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-18 P390 L45 # 468
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

As transmitZ() is defined it sends Y when k=1.
Therefore UPDATE_K and IDLE need to be exchanged (k:=k+1 before transmitZ()).

SuggestedRemedy

Change order of UPDATE_K and IDLE.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-19 P393 L11 # 473
Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A

In state OUT_OF_FRAG_POS_1, only correct symbols shall reset remote_TC_out_of_sync to FALSE

SuggestedRemedy

"In state OUT_OF_FRAG_POS_1, change the assignment of remote_TC_out_of_sync to:
IF (B=D1) THEN remote_TC_out_of_sync <= TRUE
ELSE IF (B=50) or (B=0) THEN remote_TC_out_of_sync <= FALSE"

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.
(Suggested to move CHECK_SYNC1 down a bit to make space for larger OUT_OF_FRAG_POS1 box.)

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Cl 61 SC **Figure 61-19** P393 L 34 # 134
Brown, Benjamin Independent

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

When an improper value is decoded from C in state DECODE1, the packet is never errored or terminated across the PAF. In fact, if you follow the state diagram through states COUNT_CODING_VIOL, CODING_VIOLATION, CHECK_SYNC3, DECODE2 and END_OF_FRAGMENT, it is possible that 2 packets could be munged together across the MII without an error indication at all.

Consider 1 packet that ends early in a 64/65 octet code word and a second packet that starts immediately after it in the same code word. The second packet ends in the following code word. When the first code word is received, the "C" character is corrupted so that the state diagram takes the path described above. It counts the coding violation then spins through the remainder of the first code word while in state CODING_VIOLATION. In state DECODE2, it sees a valid "C" character and so transitions to state END_OF_FRAGMENT. The PAF would see the end of the second packet in place of the end of the first packet but RX_ERR would not be set.

SuggestedRemedy

Set RxErr and RxEOP in state COUNT_CODING_VIOL or perhaps in a brand new state between state DECODE1 and COUNT_CODING_VIOL.

Then, if a clean start of packet wasn't detected, why bother receiving the end of the packet? When leaving state DECODE2 because of a valid "C" character implying EOP, go somewhere to read the remainder of the packet but don't give that packet to the PAF.

By the way - why doesn't this state diagram set RxEOP anywhere?

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
TC_coding_error is set in state "COUNT_CODING_VIOL".
Subclause 61.2.2.7.1 says: "If the TC detects an error in the encapsulation, it asserts Rx_Err on the Gamma-interface."
An errored fragment would hence be discarded in the PAF because Rx_Err is set during reception.

The statement at the beginning of 61.3.3.7 applies:
"Only the signals that affect the operation of the state machines are explicitly mentioned in the state diagrams. Other signals are to be set and read in accordance with the specifications of the gamma-interface (see 61.3.1) and the alpha(beta)-interface (see 61.3.2) ."

We have been working under the assumption that it is useful to pass on all recovered data to the higher layers, even when it is known to be faulty (in that case, it is flagged as faulty by means of RxErr on the gamma interface and RX_ER on the MII). This approach should facilitate debugging and troubleshooting.

The following text may however clarify the use of RxErr (to be added at the end of the definition of TC_coding_error):
If TC_coding_error becomes true during the reception of a fragment, Rx_Err is asserted on

the gamma-interface to signal this condition to the PCS, thus invalidating the entire fragment.

Add a sentence to the end of the first paragraph of 61.2.2.7.1, reading: "If the TC detects an error in the TC-CRC, it asserts Rx_Err on the gamma-interface. Asserting Rx_Err during fragment reception invalidates the entire fragment."

In the definition of sendOctetToPAF(), apply following changes:
-function name to be changed to sendOctetToPCS()
-insert "more than" before "2 octets for 10PASS-TS"
-insert "more than" before "4 octets for 2BASE-TL"

Cl 61 SC **Figure 61-19** P393 L 34 # 133
Brown, Benjamin Independent

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

Decoded C values other than 0-63 are all treated the same. There is no reason to decode to specific values for Z, Y, or S.

SuggestedRemedy

On page 391, remove the second to last and third to last sentences in the definition for "decode(octet B)"

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

See comment #471

Cl 61 SC **Figure 61-19** P393 L 37 # 132
Brown, Benjamin Independent

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

acquireSync function in state LOSS_OF_SYNC2 is unnecessary. This function is preformed by the state diagram in Figure 61-17. This state diagram is always running in parallel with Figure 61-19 and does not require a specific function call to make it operate.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove this function call from this state and remove its definition from page 391.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

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Cl 61 SC Figure 61-19 P393 L4 # 472
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 RxErr is set in states START_FRAGMENT, LOSS_OF_SYNC1 and CHECK_SYNC2.
 Setting it to FALSE in START_FRAGMENT and setting it to TRUE in LOSS_OF_SYNC1 is correct, but it has also to be set to TRUE for every coding violation (see 61.2.2.7.1.) and for every CRC error, not just in state CHECK_SYNC2. Additionally, it has to be renamed to Rx_Err.

SuggestedRemedy
 Rename to Rx_Err and set/reset wherever appropriate, or remove this variable completely from the state diagram

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See resolution of comment #134. Given the fact that the entire specification of the use of Rx_Err is now in the text, the variable may safely be removed from the diagram.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-19 P393 L43 # 135
 Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 Clean up state END_OF_FRAGMENT

SuggestedRemedy
 Replace contents of state END_OF_FRAGMENT with the following:

```
remote_TC_out_of_sync <= FALSE
B <= receiveOctet()
if k=kmax then RxEop <= TRUE
sendOctetToPAF(B)
k <= k+1
```

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The Suggested Remedy has following drawbacks:

- receiveOctet() must not be called if k>kmax (e.g., k=1 and kmax=0, in case the fragment ended with the last octet of the previous codeword); therefore, the function call must be conditional to the "IF k<=kmax" statement.
- The statement "k := k+1" outside the THEN block of the "IF k<=kmax" statement may cause interpretation problems due to the assumed simultaneity of actions within a state.

However, in the current state diagram k is increased even if no octet was read (IF k>kmax), which is incorrect.

The state should be corrected by removing the ELSE block.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-3 P359 L23 # 582
 Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status R
 The TC is mentioned in the paragraph preceeding the figure, but is not shown in the figure.
 Add a TC block above each of the PME blocks in the diagram, with connections to the MDC & MDIO lines labeled "Address 0.6".

Also, since Clause 45 shows address x.1 going to the PMA/PMD, the PME blocks might want to add "(PMA/PMD)". {Do not delete the PME label, since it helps the reader follow the discussion that follows in this clause.}

SuggestedRemedy
 Add a TC block above each of the PME blocks in the diagram, with connections to the MDC & MDIO lines labeled "Address 0.6".

Also, since Clause 45 shows address x.1 going to the PMA/PMD, the PME blocks might want to add "(PMA/PMD)". {Do not delete the PME label, since it helps the reader follow the discussion that follows in this clause.}

Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 As shown in Figure 61-2, the PME consists of PMD, PMA and TC.

Cl 61 SC Figure 61-8 P367 L18 # 404
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 The signal RX_DV is output by the PHY an therefore must be driven by one of the PHY state machines - that is it has to be an output and appear as an assignment within some of the states. The only place that RX_DV seems to appear however is as an input to this state diagram which doesn't seem correct.

SuggestedRemedy
 Add the control of RX_DV to one of the state diagrams for this PHY.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In 61.2.1.3.4, add the following sentence to the definition of the function transferFrame():
 "This function generates RX_DV to delimit the frame in accordance with 22.2.2.6. Upon completion of frame transfer to the MAC, this function sets the variable transferFrameCompleted to TRUE."

Define new variable transferFrameCompleted:
 variable of type BOOLEAN, TRUE if the transmission of the received frame over the MII has been completed, FALSE otherwise. The variable returns to the default state (FALSE) upon entry into any state."

Replace RX_DV = FALSE condition at the exit of SEND_FRAME_TO_MAC1/2 with transferFrameCompleted = TRUE.

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Cl 61 SC General P318 L # 99325
 Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #558

The management functions of the EFM copper are not specified correctly. Many functions are not defined in Clause 30, and consequently will not be accessible through OAM, as OAM functions are defined in terms of the Clause 30 MIB. Ethernet SNMP functions are also traditionally defined in terms of Clause 30 and not directly into any specific interface type.

SuggestedRemedy

Rewrite the clause and supporting clauses consistent with 802.3 specification approaches. State diagrams reference register definitions, where relevant. Clause 30 references register bits and state diagrams. OAM points to the Clause 30 MIB, not internal functions of Clause 61. If something is expected to be in an SNMP MIB, it should have the capability specified in Clause 30.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.
 The Copper Sub Task Force has deliberately chosen to divide registers into two categories.

A first category of objects has either only internal significance or allows a level of detailed control not ordinarily needed for normal operation. The registers for these objects can be read/written by means of the Clause 45 MDIO or an equivalent interface, if implemented. It's not expected that these parameters would be set via an SNMP agent.

A second category of objects controls the macroscopic behavior of the EFM Copper devices in terms of discrete, well-defined and testable profiles. These profiles are defined in Annex 62A (10PASS-TS) and Annex 63A (2BASE-TL) and can be controlled by means of dedicated Clause 30 managed objects.

In some cases, equivalent managed objects may appear in Clause 45 and Clause 30. These objects require manageability regardless of the way in which OAM is implemented.

Cl 61 SC Table 61-12 P383 L36 # 587
 Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status R

Add a column in the table for the Character function name.

SuggestedRemedy

Add a column in the table with each character's function name:

- Z Idle
- Ck Data
- Y Idle, Out of Sync
- R Reserved

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.
 Z, Ck, Y and R are the names of the different characters. Giving them another "plain English" name, may cause confusion with the names assigned to the different types of codewords in Table 61-11.

Cl 61 SC Table 61-20 P361 L # 99326
 Palm, Stephen Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #799

Why is Table 61-20 included as it appears to be identical to Table 10/G.994.1

SuggestedRemedy

Delete Table; Reference G.994.1

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.
 See resolution of comment #414.

Cl 61A SC 61A.2 P590 L30 # 535
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A

use of PMI

SuggestedRemedy

replace PMI with PME

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 61A SC 61A.2 P590 L40 # 533
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 last 3 actions in PME aggregation phase (MR, MS, ACK) are optional

SuggestedRemedy
 mark them as optional

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace transactions A:B in two places with just transaction B.

Mark transaction B at end of PME aggration phase as optional (e.g., may go immediately to line startup instead).

Change "PMI" to "PME".

Cl 61A SC 61A.2 P590 L46 # 426
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 label "MR (contains already correct hs values)" is incorrect, as the MR message contains no parameters.

SuggestedRemedy
 Move the "(contains already correct hs values)" notation to the subsequent MS message.

Also, in the two "timeout" notes on right side, change "R-TONES" to "R-TONES-REQ".

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61A SC 61A.2 P590 L47 # 534
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 MR never contains any parameter

SuggestedRemedy
 remove 'appendix' of MR in the first MR message in the Line Startup

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #426

Cl 61A SC 61A.2 P591 L5 # 474
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 typos: aplha and regsiter

SuggestedRemedy
 fix them

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61A SC 61A.2 P591 L5 # 204
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Typo: aplha

SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "aplpha" with "alpha".

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 61A SC 61A.3 P591 L14 # 536
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Exampe encapsulation still up to date?? (i.e. transmission of Y Codeword?)

SuggestedRemedy
 ? Discuss it on the floor

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add footnote that the test cases assume that the remote TC is always synchronized.

Cl 61A SC Figure 61A-3 P L # 475
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PMI not replaced by PME 5 times in figure 61A-3

SuggestedRemedy
 replace PMI by PME

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl **61B** SC P L # **477**
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**
 PMI not replaced by PME about 50 times in Annex 61B
 SuggestedRemedy
 replace PMI by PME
 Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.

Cl **61B** SC **61B.2** P **596** L **15** # **414**
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel
 Comment Type **T** Comment Status **A**
 Table 61B-1 is a duplicate of Table 10/G.994.1.
 This comment is submitted on behalf of ITU-T Q4/15. Q4/15 in their liaison requests that we reference the table in G.994.1 instead of reproducing it.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete Table 61B-1; insert reference to Table 10/G.994.1 in 61.4.5. Move footnote b from Table 61B-1 to 61.4.5 (this footnote places additional detail on the operation of the "Silent period" bit, above what is specified in G.994.1.
 Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.

Cl **61B** SC **61B.2** P **597** L **1** # **207**
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**
 With the recent adoption by ITU-T Q4/15 of SPar(1) codepoints for aggregation discovery, the need for EFM-specific SPar(1) codepoints has disappeared. The commenter has proposed to add NPar(2) codepoints to the handshake trees of G.993.1 and G.991.2 to select the TPS-TC developed by IEEE 802.3ah.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Assuming that the codepoints proposed in MC-029.doc were adopted by ITU-T Q4/15, replace the 10PASS-TS and 2BASE-TL handshake trees by references to the following codepoints:
 - G.994.1 SPar(1) codepoints for aggregation discovery
 - Existing G.994.1 SPar(1) codepoints for G.991.2 and G.993.1 in combination with the new "EFM-TC" NPar(2) to select 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS, respectively.
 Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 (Eckert/Squire)
 Approve: 5 Don't approve: 1 Abstain: 7 (PASS)
 MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION TO THIS COMMENT:
 Introduce the following codepoints by reference to G.994.1:
 - G.994.1 SPar(1) codepoints for aggregation discovery and variable silence

Cl **61B** SC **61B.3.1** P **597** L **37** # **537**
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type **E** Comment Status **A**
 correct data rate is 5696 kb/s not 5696 b/s
 SuggestedRemedy
 change accordingly
 Proposed Response Response Status **C**
 ACCEPT.

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Cl **61B** SC **61B.3.1** P**599** L**15** # **205**
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

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

Table 61B-4 seems to contain SPar codepoints, while the title says NPar. Which is it?

SuggestedRemedy

Change table title to "SPar(2) coding...". Check octet numbering.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See also resolution of comment #207.

NPARs indicate a capability but with no additional parameters. SPARs indicated a capability but with additional parameters at the next lower level. "Downstream Training Parameters", "Downstream training rates - 16-TCPAM" and "Downstream training rates - 32-TCPAM" need to be SPARs because they have additional parameters. Therefore delete the last three items from Table 61B-4, and insert them into Table 61B-5, pushing all the rest of the codepoints down.

Final result:
 NPAR(2) Octet 1
 Leave as is

NPAR(2) Octet 2
 Regenerator silent period
 SRU
 Diagnostic Mode
 <Rest of octet reserved for use by IEEE>

SPAR(2) Octet 1 (currently says octet 3 for some reason)
 2BASE-TL Downstream training parameters
 2BASE-TL Downstream training rates - 16-TCPAM
 2BASE-TL Downstream training rates - 32-TCPAM
 2BASE-TL Upstream training parameters
 2BASE-TL Upstream training rates - 16-TCPAM
 2BASE-TL Upstream training rates - 32-TCPAM

SPAR(2) Octet 2
 2BASE-TL Downstream PMMS parameters
 2BASE-TL Downstream PMMS rates
 2BASE-TL Upstream PMMS parameters
 2BASE-TL Upstream PMMS rates
 2BASE-TL Downstream framing parameters
 2BASE-TL Upstream framing parameters

Cl **61B** SC **61B.3.1** P**599** L**17** # **538**
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

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

term npar in g.994.1 always means that this parameter has no subparameters

SuggestedRemedy

move 2 2BASE-TL code points to SPAR section and begin numbering of SPARs with octet #1

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See resolution of comment #205.

Cl **61B** SC **61B.3.1** P**600** L**12** # **417**
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

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

This comment is submitted on behalf of ITU-T Q4/15.

Table 61B-6 in the 2BASE-TL tree defines a "PMI Aggregation Discovery" and "PMI Aggregation" bits. In their liaison, Q4/15 notes they have recently defined similar functionality beneath a Level 1 SPar "bonding" bit in Table 9.0.2.

Table 61B-93 defines a similar bit in the 10PASS-TS tree.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove "PMI Aggregation Discovery" and "PMI Aggregation" bits from Tables 61B-6 and 61B-93. Remove suclauses 61B.3.2.4, 61B.3.2.5, 61B.3.2.7, & 61B.3.2.8.

Update references in 61.4.8 as appropriate; specify that "TDIM bonding" bit shall be set to zero; move footnote (a) from Table 61B-6 to body of 61.4.8.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.
 See resolution of comment #207.

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Cl **61B** SC **61B.3.1** P**600** L**16** # **416**
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

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

This comment is submitted on behalf of ITU-T Q4/15.

Table 61B-6 in the 2BASE-TL tree defines a "variable silent period" bit; a footnote describes its functionality. In their liaison, Q4/15 notes they have recently defined similar functionality in a Level 1 SPAR bit in Table 11.0.4.

Table 61B-92 defines a similar bit in the 10PASS-TS tree.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove definitions of the variable silent period bit from Tables 61B-6 and 61B-92. Add reference to Table 11.0.4/G.994.1 in 61.4.5

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.
 See resolution of comment #207.

Cl **61B** SC **61B.3.2.1** P**601** L**11** # **206**
 Beck, Michael Alcatel Bell nv

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

The Table caption ends with a hyphen, which is part of the expression "16-TCPAM". This could be confusing, and it is definitely visually unpleasant.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace hyphen with a non-breaking hyphen in this table and the 15 following ones.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

Cl **61B** SC **61B.3.2.4** P**621** L**21** # **380**
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks

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

The ITU-T Q4/SG15 has agreed to adopt PMI aggregation discovery and PMI aggregation parameters codepoints from 802.3ah into G.994.1 (G.Handshake) at the recent meeting in Singapore. Since G.994.1 is referenced by the EFM standard, there's no point for duplicating these code points.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove relevant tables from 61B.3.2 and 61B.4.2, PMI Aggregation Discovery and PMI Aggregation bits from tables 61B-6 and 61B-93. Reference G.994.1 instead.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.
 See resolution of comment #207.

Cl **61B** SC **61B.3.2.6** P**626** L**1** # **381**
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks

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

The ITU-T Q4/SG15 has agreed to adopt Variable Silence parameters codepoints from 802.3ah into G.994.1 (G.Handshake) at the recent meeting. Since G.994.1 is referenced by the EFM standard, there's no point for duplicating these code points. Note also that zero value of Variable silence period, currently defined in D3.1, stands for 640sec, and any other value $n=1..63$ stands for $n \times 10$ sec, while ITU-T defines $(n+1) \times 10$ sec for $n=0..63$.

SuggestedRemedy

- Remove 61B.3.2.6 and 61B.4.2.1 and Variable silence bit from tables B1B-6 and 61B-92. Reference G.994.1 instead.
- Modify 45.2.1.11.2 and 45.2.1.11.3 to use $(n+1) \times 10$ sec for $n=0..63$ definition.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.
 - See resolution of comment #207.
 - Modify 45.2.1.11.2 and 45.2.1.11.3 to use $(n+1) \times 10$ sec for $n=0..63$ definition.

Cl **61B** SC **61B-2** P**597** L**1** # **415**
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

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

Table 61B-2 is a duplicate of Table 11.0.3/G.994.1.

This comment is submitted on behalf of ITU-T Q4/15. Q4/15 in their liaison requests that we reference the table in G.994.1 instead of reproducing it.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete Table 61B-2; insert reference to Table 11.0.3/G.994.1.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

REJECT.

61B.2 states:
 "The SPAR(1) codepoints to be used by 2BASE-TL and 10PASS-TS transceivers are specified in ITU-T Recommendation G.994.1. The EFM-specific codepoints are shown in Table 61B-2 for information only."

This means that the EFM Draft defines the Spar(1) codepoints by reference. A copy of the table is shown for information only.

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Cl 61B SC Table 61B-7 P 600 L 34 # 603
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

We should align the upstream/downstream training parameters with the E-SHDSL training parameters.

SuggestedRemedy

Include analagous tables to E-SHDSL downstream training and upstream training parameters NPAR(3) octets 2, 3, & 4.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

In setting the training parameters, G.shdsl.bis has to take into account the legacy G.shdsl annex A and annex B parameters. For annex A & B, every rate between 192 & 2304 has a bit reserved in the G.hs exchange which makes it is very inefficient. The method defined in EFM is much more efficient in terms of flexibility and the number of octets exchanged. This comment is rejected because it goes half way: either adopt then entire SHDSL.bis tree or design a tree that is better than the ITU tree.

Cl 62 SC 56.1.3 P 190 L 50 # 371
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Please assist the chief editor with an informed remedy to this comment (repeated):
 In the next paragraph we have an informative sentence telling us that 2BASE-TL isn't just a EFM special but has something in common with other standards.

SuggestedRemedy

If it's not too political, insert something similar between 'This PMD' and 'uses passband':
 perhaps like: This PMD is derived from the VDSL transceiver specified in American National Standard T1.424 and at time of writing, under discussion as G.xxx in ITU-T. It uses passband ...
 But get the copper track to write/vet what they want to say.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace:

"EFM introduces a new distinct PMD based on Multiple Carrier Modulation (MCM, also referred to as Discrete Multi-Tone or DMT). This PMD uses passband signaling, and supports a nominal full duplex data rate of 10 Mb/s, hence the identifier 10PASS-TS."

With:

"10PASS-TS is a passband signaling system derived from the Very-high-speed Digital Subscriber Line (VDSL) standard defined in American National Standard T1.424, using Multiple Carrier Modulation (MCM, also referred to as Discrete Multi-Tone or DMT). This PHY supports a nominal full duplex data rate of 10 Mb/s, hence the identifier 10PASS-TS."

Cl 62 SC 62.1.2 P 410 L 14 # 401
 Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Are the objectives described here the PHY objectives or just the PMA and PMD objectives.

SuggestedRemedy

If these are just for the PMA and PMD suggest that text '... for the 10PASS-TS' be changed to read 'for the 10PASS-TS PMA and PMD'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Apply this change to Clause 62 and Clause 63.

Cl 62 SC 62.3.2 P 414 L 32 # 428
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Last sentence of paragraph duplicates that in subclause 62.2.2.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete sentence.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 62 SC 62.3.4 P 415 L 19 # 63001

Ed Eckert

Comment Type T Comment Status A *ted by e-mail before deadline*

In the resolution of Comment #464 during the P802.3ah/D3.0 ballot, changes were made to clause 62.3.4 which we believe to result in confusing, redundant and overly restrictive specification for implementers. The original text in this clause was quite clear about what was to be implemented, and what was to be negotiated.

ORIGINAL TEXT: "Implementation of optional specifications in MCM-VDSL is not required for compliance with this standard. If optional features are implemented, their use is negotiated between 10PASS-TS-O and 10PASS-TS-R during initialization."

SuggestedRemedy

Either:
 (1) revert to the text as written in P802.3ah/D3.0, or
 (2) Replace the last sentence (lines 20 & 21) or clause 62.3.4 with "If optional features are implemented, their use is negotiated between 10PASS-TS-O and 10PASS-TS-R during initialization." and remove the note (line 23).

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

MOTION (Simon/Cravens)
 APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.
 Change last sentence of the paragraph to:
 "If out-of-scope optional features are implemented, the mode of operation of the PHY cannot be labeled "10PASS-TS" when these features are activated."

Cl 62 SC 62.3.4 P 415 L 19 # 63002

Ed Eckert

Comment Type TR Comment Status R *by e-mail before the deadline*

In the resolution of Comment #465 during the P802.3ah/D3.0 ballot, changes were made to clause 62.3.4.1 which we believe to result in an overly restrictive specification for implementers.

Mandating implementation of Band "0" capability in this standard unnecessarily restricts the construction of optimized, compliant implementations.

While Band "0" is VERY useful for many 10PASS-TS users, some 60% of the deployment environments will be precluded by regulation from actually using this band. Mandating implementation of a transceiver front end with this capability for large deployment which will not use it simply does not make sense. The original text in this clause was quite clear about what was to be implemented, and what was to be negotiated and was in line with the MCM-VDSL ANSI T1.424-2004 Standard as well as the emerging ITU-T G.993.1-2004 Standard.

Implementations without band "0" will be constructed at the request of service providers seeking optimized interfaces for large deployment opportunities, regardless of what this standard says. The IEEE P802.3ah standard would only be further damaging its relevance in the real world by maintain this implementation specific mandate.

SuggestedRemedy

Either:
 (1) revert to the text as written in P802.3ah/D3.0, or,
 (2) if the IEEE believes that it is necessary to have multiple port types (with its attendant administrative burden) to handle this situation, then specification of the 8 port types as described in comment #465 should be added to the document.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.
 MOTION TO REJECT (Simon/O'Mahony)
 Approve: 7 Don't Approve: 2 Abstain: 3 (PASS)

A body including multiple VDSL implementing vendors approved the changes to D3.0 in the interest of keeping the standard simple and reducing the number of options. We recommend that we keep the approved text as it is.

Existing text in Clause 61 recognizes that there may be reduced compliance for implementations to be legally deployed in certain geographies.

MOTION TO ADOPT SUGGESTED REMEDY (2), SPECIFYING 8 PORT TYPES AS PROPOSED IN #465/D3.0. (Eckert/Langston)
 Approve:2 Don't Approve: 7 Abstain: 2 (FAIL)

Comment is against page 416; line 1; corresponding to D3.0 page 417; line 50.

AMENDMENT: Delete words "if the capability exists and". (O'Mahony) DIES

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MOTION TO REVERT TO D3.0 TEXT, AS PROPOSED IN SUGGESTED REMEDY (1)
(Eckert/Cravens)

Approve: 3 Don't Approve: 6 Abstain: 3 (FAIL)

"The use of the band between 25 kHz and 138 kHz shall be negotiated during the initialization to indicate if the capability exists and select one of the following options:
a) Use of the band for upstream transmission
b) Use of the band for downstream transmission
c) The band is not used."

Cl 62 SC 62.3.4.2 P416 L11 # 588

Ed Eckert Ikanos Communication

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Managing CE length is imperative to getting the best use of available bandwidth per environment (short vs long loops). In the current draft, there is an unnecessary restriction on the value of m which determines the CE length. In recognition of this, there are new proposals to do this for VDSL2.

SuggestedRemedy

Either: (1) the restrictive text be removed and the reference to 8.2.3.1 of MCM-VDSL stand as the entire text for subclause 62.3.4.2, or (2) that the sentence read: "The cyclic extension length is specified by the value of the parameter m. In 10PASS-TS, the default value of m=20 is mandatory. Values of m=10 and m=40 shall be supported options. Support for other values is out of scope."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

It is brought to the attention of the commenter that other values of the CE can already be negotiated between link partners with the currently defined handshake parameters (see Table 61B-105, Table 62-6 and Table 62-8). However, support for values other than m=20 is outside the scope of the current draft.

Make support for m=10, m=20, m=40 mandatory. M=20 is the default value.

Add a new 16-bit integer space to Clause 45 "10P Cyclic Extension Configuration Register" to select the CE length. R/W at the CO only. R at the CPE. Default m=20.

Cl 62 SC 62.3.4.7 P418 L26 # 63004

Michael Beck on behalf of T1E1.4

Comment Type T Comment Status A generated from liaison from T1

Definition of VTU-R Register 4 has changed in MCM-VDSL, in the following way:

Performance (16 bytes): Contains the downstream attainable line rate as well as the VTU-R corrected and uncorrected error counts. Used to retrieve data for computation of various error performance parameters.

Bytes 0x00-0x03 indicate the attainable downstream data rate in 1 kbps steps.

Bytes 0x04-0x05 indicate the number of corrected error octets in the slow channel
Bytes 0x06-0x07 indicate the number of corrected error octets in the fast channel
Bytes 0x08-0x09 indicate the number of uncorrected error octets in the slow channel
Bytes 0x0A-0x0B indicate the number of uncorrected error octets in the fast channel.
Bytes 0x0C-0x0F are reserved and shall be set to 0xFF;

This is currently shown in Table 62-4 as:
Vendor-discretionary | not applicable | not applicable

SuggestedRemedy

Change accordingly in IEEE P802.3ah.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

All fast channel bytes are reserved.

Add following registers to clause 45:
Bytes 0x00-0x03 indicate the attainable downstream data rate in 1 kbps steps.
Bytes 0x04-0x05 indicate the number of corrected error octets in the slow channel
Bytes 0x08-0x09 indicate the number of uncorrected error octets in the slow channel

In Table 62-4, add mapping for each of the three concerned byte sets to associated Clause 45 registers. All other bytes are reserved.

In the entry for register 6, rename "line attenuation" to "loop attenuation", and update reference to 45.2.1.19.

Split subclause column into two: one for CO and one for CPE.

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Cl 62 SC 62.3.4.9.4 P 420 L 33 # 429
 Barry, O'Mahony Intel
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 typo: "10PASS-TS-C"
 SuggestedRemedy
 change to "10PASS-TS-O"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 62B SC P L # 478
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PMI not replaced by PME 4 times in Annex 62B
 SuggestedRemedy
 replace PMI by PME
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC P L # 476
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 PMI not replaced by PME twice in clause 63
 SuggestedRemedy
 replace PMI by PME
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.1.1 P 434 L 8 # 529
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 register space not correct
 SuggestedRemedy
 change address space to 3.60 to 3.73
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.1.1 P 434 L 9 # 530
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 wrong address space
 SuggestedRemedy
 correct address space from 1.30-1.42 and 1.80 to 1.100
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 438 L 23 # 531
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 mapping of Loop/Line attenuation missing
 SuggestedRemedy
 dd an entry with loop attenuation Octet #4
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 63 SC 63.2.2.3 P 439 L 2 # 532
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 unclear how to map 7 bytes to 22 bit as defined in clause 22.2.4.3.1
 SuggestedRemedy
 ??Discuss it on the floor
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 ACCEPTED BY ACCLAMATION
 MOTION (Barrass/Cravens)
 Accept in principle. In Clause 45, remove the register which was meant to map this PHY identifier. Also, explicitly place the vendor ID retrieval mechanism out of scope: "The retrieval of the remote vendor ID is defined in G.997.1. The use of this mechanism is outside the scope of this standard."
 WITHDRAWN
 MOTION (Simon/Cravens)
 Override definition in SHDSL/VDSL, by stating that the vendor ID is replaced with an IEEE 802.3 PHY identifier (see 22.2.4.3.1 / i.e., link partner's register 1.2 and 1.3), where the leftmost 32 bits are used to transmit this identifier through the existing G.997 message.
 MOTION (Mathey) DIES
 Make the link partner's Clause 22 as well as the SHDSL VID readable to management.

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Cl 63 SC 63.3.2.4.2 P442 L 26 # 379
 Beili, Edward Actelis Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

A 2BaseTL-R Phy is mandatory required to sustain up to 20mA of wetting (sealing) current. The original purpose for such high current was to support Metallic Loop Test (MLT), a leftover from telephony days, which is not relevant in this case since 2BaseTL-O doesn't have provision for the MLT. Most carriers today use less than 5mA of wetting current for corrosion prevention. In addition to that, 1000 Ohm resistive termination can be pretty bulky (over 4W), requiring special protection. Note also that wetting current support may not be required in many cases, while demanding bigger isolation magnetic and complicated over-voltage protection from the Phy implementations.

SuggestedRemedy

- Make wetting current an optional requirement for 2BaseTL (modifying also PICS proforma in subclause 63.4.4.2 lines 28 and 31).
- Modify clauses 63.3.2.4.2 and 63.3.2.5.2 as follows:
 "The 2BASE-TL-R shall be capable of sustaining 5 mA of wetting (sealing) current. The maximum rate of change of the wetting current shall be no more than 5 mA per second. NOTE-The -R device cannot be guaranteed to operate correctly if more than 5 mA (tip to ring) is sourced."

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 See resolution of comment #255.

Cl 63 SC 63.3.2.4.2 P442 L 28 # 255
 Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

The specification of wetting current in 2BASE-TL differs somewhat from G.SHDSL in that here we're specifying a DC resistance, where the G.991.2 specs specify more on potential differences. We should have similar wording to G991.2 for consistency.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace 63.3.2.4.2 with

The STU-R (or SRU-R) shall be capable of drawing between 1.0 and 20 mA of wetting (sealing) current from the remote feeding circuit. The maximum rate of change of the wetting current shall be no more than 20 mA per second. The STU-C (or SRU C) may optionally supply power to support wetting current. When enabled, this power source should produce a nominal -48 V potential measured at ring with respect to tip. The maximum voltage of the power source (if provided) should be limited to -56.5 V. The minimum voltage should be high enough to ensure a voltage of at least -39 V at the inputs of the STU-R (or SRU-R) measured at ring with respect to tip. In no case shall the wetting current source apply a potential greater than -72 V between ring and tip. The potential at tip with respect to ground should be zero or negative.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Remove sentence about DC resistance (both Annex A and B).

Cl 63A SC 63A.4 P664 L 52 # 539
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A

wrong cross ref

SuggestedRemedy
 change to 45.2.1.39

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 63A SC 63A.4 P665 L 26 # 540
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies

Comment Type E Comment Status A
 2BASE-TL PMD register settings were changed

SuggestedRemedy
 adjust table 63A-2 accordingly

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 1.81.14:8 to 1.82.1:0 would be set such that
 min rate = max rate = profile rate.
 step = 0 ,
 power and constellation per the profile.
 1.83.14:8 to 1.88.1.0 set to 0

Cl 63B SC 63.b4 P672 L 7 # 391
 kimpe, marc Adtran

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Comment applies to table 63-B2. To stay consistent with the objectives of 2Base-TL, the margin should be changed from 6 to 5.

SuggestedRemedy
 Change margin requirement from 6 to 5 dB.

Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 63B SC 63B.3 P 670 L 35 # 541
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 reference specifiy 3 different test for 2048 kBit/s
 SuggestedRemedy
 change to plural (tests)
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 63B SC 63B.3 P 670 L 37 # 542
 Schneiderheinze, Burkart Infineon Technologies
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 tests are called B-1 - B-4
 SuggestedRemedy
 change accordingly
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 450 L 21 # 561
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Missing "s".
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "... the ONU then transmit frames at wire speed ..."
 To "... the ONU transmits frames at wire speed ..."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 450 L 5 # 560
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 The P2MP medium IS as passive optical network (we're beyond the "under consideration" point).
 Delete the words "under consideration"
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete the words "under consideration"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 450 L 54 # 562
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Should say "provisioning" (not provision).
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change provision to provisioning
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1 P 451 L 15 # 563
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type T Comment Status R
 Since this subclause is the overview, the word "shall" probably isn't intended since "shall" implies normative text and generally requires a corresponding PICS entry. This also makes the last sentence of the sub-clause consistant with the rest of the sub-clause (there are no other "shalls" in this sub-clause).
 NOTE: This is really an editorial comment, but since it deals with the magic word "shall", I classified it as "technical".
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change the "shall be" to "is" as shown:
 The Multi-point MAC Control fuctionality is implemented for subscriber access decives ...
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

The text intended to say that unlike MAC Control sublayer, which is optional, the Multi-point MAC Control is mandatory for all P2MP devices.

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Cl 64 SC 64.1.2 P452 L39 # 183
 Kramer, Glen Teknovus
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 missing period at the end of a sentence
 SuggestedRemedy
 fix per comment
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.1.4 P454 L5 # 565
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The newly generated Annex 4A should also be referenced for the underlying MAC sublayer.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "... service interface specified in 4.3.2."
 To "... service interface specified in 4.3.2 or 4A.3.2."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Only one clause (4A.3.2) should be referenced, but not both.

Cl 64 SC 64.2..4 P L # 411
 Grow, Robert Intel
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 D3.1 introduces new text with misuse of error rate instead of error ratio.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "error rate" to "error ratio"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Location: page 461, line 44

Cl 64 SC 64.2.1 P455 L21 # 546
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Multiplexing control should now be Multi-Point Transmission Control. There are 4 instances of this in the clause: page 455 line 21, page 455 line 47, page 457 line 18, and page 457 line 32.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace all instances of multiplexing control with multi-point transmission control.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.1 P455 L45 # 566
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Move the leading "or" to the end of the previous item.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change item a) to "... MA_DATA.request or," and item b) to "A protocol processing block ..."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.1.1 P455 L51 # 136
 Brown, Benjamin Independent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Extra word
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "field. is" with "field."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.1.1 P456 L4 # 567
Cravens, George Mindspeed
Comment Type E Comment Status A
The received timestamp value is used to calculate the round trip time.
Need to insert the word "timestamp" between received and value.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "... it uses the received value to create ..."
to "... it uses the received timestamp value to create ..."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.1.1 P456 L49 # 568
Cravens, George Mindspeed
Comment Type T Comment Status A
timestamp drift error occurs when the gaurdThreshold is exceeded, not just "some predefined threshold". Also, insert cross-reference.
For the second and third occurance of "some predefined threshold", the cross-reference is not needed, but replace "some predefined threshold" with gaurdThreshold.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "... OLT's and ONU's clocks exceeds some predefined threshold."
To "... the OLT's and the ONU's clocks exceeds gaurdThreshold (see 64.2.2.1).
For the second and third occurance of "some predefined threshold", the cross-reference is not needed, but replace "some predefined threshold" with gaurdThreshold.
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2 P457 L19 # 570
Cravens, George Mindspeed
Comment Type E Comment Status A
transmitPending[n] should also be included.
SuggestedRemedy
insert "transmitPending[n]," after transmitEnable[n], in line 19.
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2 P457 L3 # 569
Cravens, George Mindspeed
Comment Type E Comment Status A
The first paragraph says the same thing four times. Rewrite as a single sentence.
SuggestedRemedy
Replace the first paragraph with:
The purpose of the multi-point transmission control is to allow only one of the multiple MAC clients to transmit to its associated MAC and subsequently to the RS layer at one time by only asserting one transmitENABLE signal at a time.
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.1 P459 L12 # 64001
Glen Kramer
Comment Type T Comment Status A
The data burst received by the OLT has delay variation accumulated from downstream and upstream. Value of guardThreshold constant needs to be different for ONU and OLT. In the OLT it should be twice the value of the ONU.
SuggestedRemedy
Adjust the value of the constant. Refer to the attached time diagram (kramer_1_0304.pdf)
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
1. Rename guardThreshold into guardThresholdONU
2. Add constant guardThresholdOLT
3.
Use 8 TQ guardThreshold for ONU
Use 12 TQ guardThreshold for OLT

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.2 P 459 L 48 # 572
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The "existence of a more accurate timebase" needs to be defined more clearly.

As Figure 64-11 shows, the localTime variable is reloaded with the received timestamp value for every MAC Control Frame with a timestamp opcode.

The last sentence also seems to contradict Figure 64-11, since the value of the variable may change any time a MAC Control Frame with the timestamp opcode is received, so "highly undesirable and unspecified" seems like a rather nasty feature.

If changing the localTime variable can cause "highly undesirable and unspecified" behavior, then the ONU Control Parser state machine (figure 64-11) must be changed to prevent such an occurrence.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the sentence starting on line 48 ("It is periodically ...") to the following:

It is reloaded with the received timestamp value (from the OLT) by the Control Parser (see Figure 64-11).

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.3 P 460 L 28 # 137
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Variable list should be in alphabetical order

SuggestedRemedy

Move newRTT before nextTxTime
Page 461, move transmitInProgress before transmitPending

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.3 P 461 L 24 # 138
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

There are several instances where states are referred to. Here is one, referring to the TransmitFrame state. Page 462, line 2, refers to the forwarding state as does page 484, line 38. Are these real states? What state diagram (or anything else) does this refer to? I searched for these states and couldn't find them

SuggestedRemedy

Be more specific about what state diagram is being referenced or change the wording to not imply particular states.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Use the following text

page 461: "This variable indicates that the Multi-point MAC Control instance j is in a process of transmitting a frame."

page 462: "This function selects the next Multi-point MAC Control instance allowed to initiate transmission of a frame."

page 484: A key concept pervasive in Multi-point MAC Control is the ability to arbitrate a single transmitter out of a plurality of ONUs. The OLT controls an ONU's transmission by the assigning of grants.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.3 P 461 L 3 # 545
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status A

The timestampDrift variable is defined as a boolean, so it cannot take on an actual value. The last sentence should be deleted.

SuggestedRemedy

Remove the sentence "The timestampDrift value is represented in units of time_quanta."

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.4 P 461 L 40 # 139
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

When referencing a subclause, you don't need to use the word "subclause"

SuggestedRemedy

Replace "in subclause 65.2.3" with "in 65.2.3"

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.4 P461 L 46 # 140
 Brown, Benjamin Independent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 missing word
 SuggestedRemedy
 Replace "formula used" with "formula is used"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.4 P461 L 46 # 184
 Kramer, Glen Teknovus
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Missing word
 SuggestedRemedy
 insert word 'is' before 'used'
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.4 P462 L 15 # 185
 Kramer, Glen Teknovus
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 inconsistent subscripts for transmitPending variable. In figure 64-3, a 1-based array is used. Here is 0-based array is used.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change subscripts to 1 through N to be consistent with Figure 64-3. Make the same change in Figure 64-9.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Use 0-based subscripts throughout the clause.

Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.4 P462 L 6 # 547
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The SelectFrame() function is used to select one out of n frames to be transmitted for a given multi-point MAC control instance. There could be several MAC Control frames along with client frames. This function chooses one to pass to the control multiplexer. Subclause 62.1 page 455 line 21 says that MAC control frames are given priority over client frames, but that does not seem to be supported in the definition of this function.

SuggestedRemedy
 Modify the definition of the function to read: This function returns the active interface when multiple interfaces are used to signal to a single block. If both MAC client and MAC Control interfaces be signaling at the same time, the function will return an active MAC Control interface. The result is not specified for the case where multiple MAC Control interfaces signal at the same time, except that one of these interfaces will be made active.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Problems:
 1. Whatever the SelectFrame() function returns is not used anywhere.
 2. Control Multiplexor cannot control MA_DATA and MA_CONTROL interfaces.

Editor suggests the following text:
 This function enables the interface, which has a pending frame. If multiple interfaces have frames waiting at the same time, only one interface will be enabled. The selection criteria is not specified, except for the case when some of the pending frames have Length/Type = MAC_Control. In this case, one of the interfaces with a pending MAC Control frame shall be enabled.

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Cl 64 SC 64.2.2.7 P467 L1 # 548

Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

This is a comment against figure 64-13. This state diagram will transmit any frame that it is passed as long as transmitAllowed is TRUE. It is possible that multiple TransmitFrame function calls have been made by any number of MAC Control blocks or the MAC Client. This state diagram does not appear to prioritize these in any way or deal with what happens if more than one frame wants to be sent at the same time. Specifically, there is also no SelectFrame function in this diagram. The transmitAllowed variable is controlled by the Gate Processing block in Figure 64-29. This variable will be set to TRUE when the START TX state is entered. Figure 64-22, the ONU Discovery processing state diagram, generates the necessary TransmitFrame function calls during the discovery process.

Looking at these three diagrams, I cannot find anything that would necessarily prevent the MAC from transmitting a MAC client frame during the discovery process. This could be a significant problem by allowing an unregistered device to transmit client frames, and to allow the device to transmit frames greater than 64 bytes in length.

SuggestedRemedy

Some sort of priority function needs to be added to this diagram that will only allow the ONU to send MAC Control frames during the discovery process and that will prioritize MAC Control frames in the appropriate manner. Will try to work on some text before meeting.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add the following text to TRANSMIT READY state:

SelectFrame()

Cl 64 SC 64.3 P468 L8 # 574

Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Report messages are not broadcast since they come from the ONUs.

SuggestedRemedy

Change: "broadcast in the network"

to: "sent upstream from the ONU to the OLT."

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.2.3 P469 L15 # 125

Choi, Su-il ETRI

Comment Type TR Comment Status R Not Member Of Ballot Group

This clause describes OLT may support multicast by using additional multicast MACs. Additional multicast MACs require additional LLIDs and filtering rules. However, multicast channel configuration as well as filtering and marking of frames for multicast isn't defined in Clause 65.1.3.3.2

SuggestedRemedy

Suggest a solution for multicast channel configuration as well as filtering and marking of frames for multicast. Attached file "choi_p2mp_1_0304.pdf" suggests a new variable "LGID(logical group identifier)" for grouping of some logical ports (LLIDs). Attached file "choi_p2mp_2_0304.pdf" shows the changes of the draft based on the suggested multicast solution.

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

Editor suggests this comment to be rejected as it constitutes a new feature.

Y: 5
N: 1
A: 2

Remove words "(multicast MACs)".
Remove the words "Multicast and" from the section header

Y:1
N:1
A:5

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Accept solution proposed in the comment

Y:1
N:2
A:5

Motion to accept STF resolution (reject the comment)
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Y:17
N:1
A:4

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.3 P469 L45 # 186
 Kramer, Glen Teknovus
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 This subclause is inconsistent in naming MPCP messages. In various places it uses Register_Req and REGISTER_REQ.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Use REGISTER_REQ for consistency
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.3 P473 L24 # 576
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type T Comment Status R
 To allow wraparound of both a and b when comparing their values, "split horizon" calculations must be used.
 Generically, "a is less than b" is defined as
 $a < b = a < a + ((\text{maxvalue of } A + 1)/2)$.
 See 61.2.2.4, page 369 for an example.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change the last two sentences (Starting with "The comparison is made ...")
 to use the above language (or similar verbage that gets the point across).
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 Existing text is correct. It assumes that a and b can be no more than half cycle apart (which is $(\text{maxvalue}A+1)/2$).
 Same example (in binary now):
 a = 1110
 b = 0010
 $a - b = 1100 \implies \text{MSB}(1100)=1 \implies a < b$

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.4 P473 L40 # 141
 Brown, Benjamin Independent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 typo
 SuggestedRemedy
 replace "sendin" with "sending"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.4 P473 L40 # 577
 Cravens, George Mindspeed
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Missing "g"
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change "sendin" to "sending"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.5 P473 L50 # 142
 Brown, Benjamin Independent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R
 MACR and MACI aliases are used in the state diagrams but are not defined anywhere.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add the following aliases alphabetically in this subclause:
 MACI - Alias for MA_CONTROL.indication
 MACR - Alias for MA_CONTROL.request
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.
 These abbreviations were moved to section 64.1.5 State diagram conventions

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.5 P473 L53 # 143
 Brown, Benjamin Independent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 Each of these primitives is followed by a list of parameters not operand lists. I debated over suggesting a major rewording of this section so that rather than define each primitive multiple times, you simply reference the primitive in 2.3.3.2 then here describe only the operand lists for each opcode. I decided not to push this as I think what you have here is adequate. However, since you are describing service primitives, the items in each primitive are parameters not operand lists.
 SuggestedRemedy
 For each primitive here, in 64.3.4.5 and 64.3.5.5, replace "This primitive takes the following operand list" with "This primitive takes the following parameters"
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.5 P474 L 54 # 188
Kramer, Glen Teknovus
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Incorrect sentence.
SuggestedRemedy
Remove word 'is'. The same typo is on page 475, line4
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.6 P477 L 20 # 189
Kramer, Glen Teknovus
Comment Type T Comment Status A
inconsistent use of variable start. It is also referred to as start_time and startTime.
SuggestedRemedy
Use 'start' on line 20 and line 24
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.3.6 P479 L 15 # 187
Kramer, Glen Teknovus
Comment Type TR Comment Status A
Figure 64-21: ONU_timer is used incorrectly. It starts when the OLT sends GATE message to an ONU and is set for 10 msec. However, there is no requirement that the grant start time should be less than 10 msec away. This could lead to continuous ONU's registration and deregistration cycles.
SuggestedRemedy
ONU_timer is not necessary at all. OLT can easily calculate the end time of the grant. If a REGISTER_ACK is not received by this time, then deregister the ONU.

place the following code in state WAIT FOR REGISTER_ACK:
grantEndTime = start[0] + length[0] + RTT

use the following label for the transition from WAIT FOR REGISTER_ACK to DEREGISTER:
localTime = grantEndTime
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Place the following code in state WAIT FOR REGISTER_ACK:
grantEndTime = start[0] + length[0] + RTT+guardThresholdOLT

use the following label for the transition from WAIT FOR REGISTER_ACK to DEREGISTER:
localTime = grantEndTime

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.5.3 P 487 L 37 # 578
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status A

The values of A and B (used in the max() an min functions) must not be able to rollover, or the definition needs to be changed to require split horizon calculations.

See comment on 64.3.3.3

SuggestedRemedy

If the values of A and B are not capable of rollover, then this should be stated.

If the values of A and B are capable of rollover, then the definition of the max{} and min{} functions needs to be rewritten to require split horizon calculations.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Functions min(a,b) amd max(a,b) are not used anywhere in the state diagrams and should be removed.

However, state diagrams use a<b, a>b, a<=b, a>=b to compare cyclic time values in many places. Of these functions, only the a<b is defined.

Add definitions for the rest of them in terms of a<b:

a>b is the same as !(a<b or a=b)

a>=b is the same as !(a<b)

a<=b is the same as !(a>b)

Move all definitions to section 64.1.5 State diagram conventions

Cl 64 SC 64.3.5.6 P 490 L 1 # 668
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Line with just a full stop

SuggestedRemedy

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Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.6.1 P 493 L 44 # 544
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

Comment Type E Comment Status A

No definitions for laser_on_time and laser_off_time. Per 64.3.5.1 I think you want to user laserOnTime and laserOffTime.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to laserOnTime and laserOffTime

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 64 SC 64.3.6.1 P 493 L 47 # 123
Choi, Su-il ETRI

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

Because Grant #n Length includes laser_on_time, syncTime, and laser_off_time, the condition "Grant #n Start Time < Grant #n+1 Start Time" is not sufficient for consecutive grants within the same GATE MPCPDU.

SuggestedRemedy

Change above condition as "Grant #n Start Time + Grant #n Length < Grant #n+1 Start Time". And, append additional condition as "When Grant #n Start Time + Grant #n Length > Grant #n+1 Start Time, then Grant #n+1 Start Time is ignored and Grant #n+1 Length is added to the Grant #n Length."

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

During previous discussions, the task force has decided that grants to the same LLID may overlap. (See state diagram 64-29)

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Cl 64 SC 64.3.6.1 P 494 L 8 # 549
 Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL

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

The GATE MPCPDU should not have a variable size and should be given a fixed size that contains 4 grants. The actual size of the frame will be 64 bytes no matter how many grants are there. The number of grants is already contained in a field, and for all the grants that aren't included in the frame the contents of the start time and length fields should be set to zero.

This should help with the problem of assigning the start and length values in figures 64-27 and 64-28 when they don't really exist. Currently, if you only want to send a single grant, the contents of grants 2, 3, and 4 will be filled with PAD by the MAC, the contents of which are unspecified.

SuggestedRemedy

Fix the length of the GATE MPCPDU so that there will always be 13 bytes of pad added by the MAC. The contents of unused fields should be set to zero.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

REJECT.

P2MP STF:
 Y: 4
 N: 1
 A: 3

IEEE802.3ah closing session:
 Y:4
 N:9
 A:8

Reject the comment
 M: Onn Haran
 S: Hugh Barass

Y:14
 N:2
 A:5

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-12 P 466 L 24 # 573
 Cravens, George Mindspeed

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

Is the OLT Control Multiplexer really intended to filter transmit frames to prevent unsupported opcodes from being transmitted?

This seems very wrong, and may cause major headaches in the future since this would prevent a compliant design from ever supporting any new opcodes. Since PICS entry SM4 makes compliance mandatory, a "user friendly" design that allows upper layers to send whatever opcodes they desire would be non-compliant.

Also, if the filtering function is to remain, how is the errant frame flushed? It seems that simply returning to the Init state without setting transmitInProgress true and doing a dummy TransmitFrame() may cause undesirable results (a clogged MAC client).

This is potentially very broken, and probably deserves a TR comment, but I'll call it a "T".

SuggestedRemedy

Either:

1) (MUCH preferred) Delete the condition "(supported opcode)" from the two exit transitions from the PARSE OPCODE state.

or:

2) (Seems ungood) Make sure that when the Control Multiplexer filters transmit frames (based on opcodes), that the handshaking is done properly so that the offending frame is not stuck in the MAC client.

Also, if Tx frames are going to be dropped, an error must be signalled/counted somewhere (silently dropping frames is VERY bad and REALLY annoys those who have to debug the system), and a NOTE should be added to make it very clear that this is the intended (and in fact, mandated) behavior of the device.

Proposed Response Response Status **C**

ACCEPT.

Use proposal #1

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Cl 64 SC Figure 64-13 P 467 L 19 # 575
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Same as the comment on Figure 64-12, only this time, for the ONU:

Is the ONU Control Multiplexer really intended to filter transmit frames to prevent unsupported opcodes from being transmitted?

This seems very wrong, and may cause major headaches in the future since this would prevent a compliant design from ever supporting any new opcodes. Since PICS entry SM5 makes compliance mandatory, a "user friendly" design that allows upper layers to send whatever opcodes they desire would be non-compliant.

Also, if the filtering function is to remain, how is the errant frame flushed? It seems that simply returning to the Init state without setting transmitInProgress true and doing a dummy TransmitFrame() may cause undesirable results (a clogged MAC client).

This is potentially very broken, and probably deserves a TR comment, but I'll call it a "T".

SuggestedRemedy

Either:

1) (MUCH preferred) Delete the condition "(supported opcode)" from the two exit transitions from the PARSE_OPCODE state.

or:

2) (Seems ungood) Make sure that when the Control Multiplexer filters transmit frames (based on opcodes), that the handshaking is done properly so that the offending frame is not stuck in the MAC client.

Also, if Tx frames are going to be dropped, an error must be signalled/counted somewhere (silently dropping frames is VERY bad and REALLY annoys those who have to debug the system), and a NOTE should be added to make it very clear that this is the intended (and in fact, mandated) behavior of the device.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Accept proposal #1.

Cl 64 SC Figure 64-3 P 453 L 46 # 564
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status R

The arrow for ReceiveFrame(...) should be pointing into the Control Parser (not out as shown).

SuggestedRemedy

Change the arrow for ReceiveFrame(...) to an "up" arrow (pointing into the Control Parser block).

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

This comment re-appears every several meetings. The arrows for TransmitFrame(...) and for ReceiveFrame(...) both point down to emphasize that these functions are called by MAC Control. Please, refer to Figure 31-2.

Cl 64 SC figure 64-6 P 457 L 45 # 571
Cravens, George Mindspeed

Comment Type E Comment Status R

The Arrow for RecieveFrame(...) should be pointing into the Control Parser Block.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the arrow for ReceiveFrame() to an "up" arrow (pointing into the Control Parser block).

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

See #564

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Cl 64 SC General P 450 L # 99316
 Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #557

The specification of the multi-point MAC protocol is a convoluted and confusing perversion of the 802.3 MAC. P2MP defines its own MAC protocol and reference to the Clause 4 MAC is confusing and does the implementer a disservice in choosing that indirect specification method.

SuggestedRemedy

Simplify the specification of P2MP by defining its MAC protocol directly.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

A general purpose, not a P2MP-specific, thin full-duplex MAC clause or normative annex will be added per resolution of the P2MP/OAM motion adopted on 01/13/2004.

The combination of MPCP as specified in clause 64 with this thin MAC will simplify the specification of P2MP as requested by the commenter.

Passed by acclamation

Cl 65 SC 65.1 P 506 L 12 # 99307
 Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #794

The entire concept of this extension to emulate point-to-point operation seems to be a violation of the following text extracted from the Overview and Architecture, IEEE Std 802 clause 6.2.1 Service access points (SAPs)

"The MAC sublayer provides a single MAC service access point (MSAP) as an interface port to the LLC sublayer in an end station."

AND

"The Physical layer provides an interface port to a single MAC station,..."

This also seems to be a violation of the 5 Criteria commitment in Compatibility paragraph 1.

SuggestedRemedy

Alter draft to remain within original commitment.

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

The statements "The MAC sublayer provides a single MAC service access point (MSAP) as an interface port to the LLC sublayer in an end station." AND "The Physical layer provides an interface port to a single MAC station, . . ." do not have a 'shall' and therefore are not a requirement for 802 networks.

P2P emulation concept is required for interworking with 802 Networks, and is consistent with compatibility requirements undertaken by the 802.3ah project.

Cl 65 SC 65.1.2 P L # 65002
 Dawe, Piers

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Change the last sentence "The OLT shall operate in unidirectional mode as defined in Clause 66.2.2" to "The PCS of OLT shall operate in unidirectional mode as defined in 66.2.2"

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.1.3.2 P 511 L 37 # 368
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type T Comment Status A

This use of SPD clashes with the definition of SPD in 1.4.261 (it's the /S/ you refer to in 65.1.3.2.1).

SuggestedRemedy

Use a different name for your 'SPD'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Rename SPD to SLD, Start LLID Delimiter

Cl 65 SC 65.1.3.3.2 P 514 L 11 # 124
 Choi, Su-il ETRI

Comment Type TR Comment Status R Not Member Of Ballot Group

In subclause 64.3.2.3, additional multicast MACs are described roughly. This means that multicast MACs require multicast_llid individually. However, each ONU checks only the match of SCB_LLID(0x7FFF).

SuggestedRemedy

Add additional comparison as "..., or the received logical_link_id matches 0x7FFF or one of the multicast_llids, then ..."

Proposed Response Response Status U

REJECT.

Proposed new feature is past deadline for new feature addition.

See comment #125 for clause 64.

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Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.1 P516 L1 # 669
Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Line with just a full stop
SuggestedRemedy
Take out preceding line feed?
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2 P517 L30 # 191
Kramer, Glen Teknovus
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Typo in section title
SuggestedRemedy
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2 P517 L31 # 670
Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Strange character (pipe?) just before 'Detailed'
SuggestedRemedy
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2.1 P517 L51 # 543
Lynskey, Eric UNH-IOL
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Typo for variable name. Subclause 64.5.3.1 refers to it as laserOnTime.
SuggestedRemedy
Change laser_on_time to laserOnTime
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.2.1 P517 L52 # 190
Kramer, Glen Teknovus
Comment Type TR Comment Status A
The size of the FIFO buffer shall be such that the total data delay through the PHY (including delays introduced by optional FEC function and PMA sublayer) is equal to DelayBound.
This statement is incorrect and may result in data transmission before the laser is fully turned on. This approach will only work if Data Detector could detect data before FEC encoder (but it is not the case).

SuggestedRemedy
Remove this sentence.
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.3 P518 L54 # 671
Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E Comment Status A
"Line with just a full stop, empty line"
SuggestedRemedy
Take out preceding two line feeds?
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.2.3 P520 L23 # 672
Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E Comment Status A
Reed Solomon or Reed-Solomon?
SuggestedRemedy
Choose one
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.
Reed-Solomon

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Cl 65 SC 65.2.3 P519 L36 # 192
 Kramer, Glen Teknovus
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 If FEC is implemented, the Data Detector block performs rate adaptation by disabling MAC transmission to provide the necessary space at the end of the Ethernet frame for the parity octets.
 This statement is incorrect. Data Detector does not control MAC anymore
 SuggestedRemedy
 Remove this sentence
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.3.4 P522 L54 # 673
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 1. On line by itself
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.
 Remove line.

Cl 65 SC 65.2.3.3.4 P523 L46 # 182
 Lior Khernosh Passave
 Comment Type T Comment Status R
 For a device with FEC the PCS does not see the unprotected Idles. AS long as there is no S_FEC the FEC layer generates Idles for the PCS (That at least was at diagram 65-13 state FILL_SEARCH_SFEC_TFEC and should be added there again) so that this state can not happen and there is no generation of FALSE_CARRIER. The remark for non-FEC devices is valid.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Remove the remark for in lines 46-48. Add the transmission of Idles to the diagram 65-13/14 when no S_FEC is received.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 REJECT.

Cl 65 SC 65.3 P532 L37 # 674
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Two spaces between 'PMA and 'for'?
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.3.1 P528 L14 # 99308
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A D3.0 #381
 Need to define the PMA primitive for laser control shown in fig 65-4.
 SuggestedRemedy
 In sub-subclause, for PX-U PMA (see another comment), define this PMA primitive for laser control formally:
 'The following additional primitives is defined:
'
 The semantics of the service primitive are x(y). Explanation, When generated, effect of receipt.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Consistent with previous discussions PMA tunneling of the signal need not be explicitly stated, consistent with SD. The figure 65-4 is to be redrawn to show PMD_SIGNAL.request() primitive going around PMA sub-layer.

Cl 65 SC 65.3.1 P532 L43 # 323
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 Need to define PMA primitive. It's just housekeeping, but I've been made to do it in other projects. This should clear my TR 381 against D3.0. Thanks!
 SuggestedRemedy
 Insert new subclause:
 65.3.1.1, Physical Medium Attachment (PMA) sublayer interfaces
 In addition to the primitives of Clause 36, the following primitive is defined:
 PMD_SIGNAL.request is received from the PCS and passed in timely fashion and without modification to the PMD. The semantics are PMD_SIGNAL.request(tx_enable). The tx_enable parameter can take one of two values, ON or OFF. This primitive controls PMD emission of light. It is generated by the PCS's data detector (see 65.2.2.2.3) and the effect of its receipt is defined in 60.1.5.3.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 65 SC 65.3.2 P533 L1 # 367
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 typo
 SuggestedRemedy
 -U should be -D.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.4.4 P535 L39 # 676
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Other clauses have attached the copyright release to the second level subclause title e.g. 65.4
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.3.3 P533 L50 # 65001
 Ben Brown
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 The delay bound of 16 ns applies to entire physical layer (RS+PCS+PMA).
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change 65.3.3. to 65.4 here and in pics item DV1.
 Change the text in 65.3.3 to:
 "...shall maintain a combined delay variation through RS, PCS, and PMA sublayers of no more..."
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 65 SC 65.4.4.7 P537 L22 # 369
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Need another PICS entry for OLT's CDR lock timing
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add another PICS entry.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Remove paragraph starting with "The standard defines ..." in 65.3.2.1.1
 Instead use: The combined value of measured Tcdr and Tcode_group_alignment shall not exceed 432 ns.
 Add one OLT PICS item to 65.4.4.7 for combined Tcdr and Tcode_group_alignment values not exceeding 432 ns.

Cl 65 SC 65.4.2.2 P534 L39 # 675
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Font size not consistent
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 66 SC P L # 375
 Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Changes have been made for 100 Mb/s that violate the compatibility promises committed to in the 5 Criteria presentation that added 100 M to the project:

Compatibility

- 100BASE-X PCS & PMA assumed, and the 802.3 MAC
- No changes whatsoever to the MAC
- PHY identical to current 100Mbps Std except for a new PMD
- No change to Clause 24
- Retain all state machines, 4B/5B coding etc. of 100BASE-X
 - o Only need to extend Clause 26, 100BASE-FX PMD, to include SMF
 - o Physical medium compatibility through SMF
- Compatible with existing 100BASE-LX
- Provides upgrade paths to higher speeds and multiple wavelengths, with fiber plant untouched

Suggested Remedy

Remove all changes to 100BASE-X other than PMD optical changes to bring the proposal back into line with the 5 Criteria Compatibility promises made when 100 M was added to the project.

Proposed Response Response Status U

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See the presentation daw_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Promises made by a presenter back in St. Louis are in no way binding on the group. The text referenced is from a presentation by Ulf Jonsson, made at a Call For Interest, archived in the file:

http://www.ieee802.org/3/smf_x_study/public/jonsson_1_0302.pdf

It was never adopted by the task force, and is not binding on the task force.

The baseline presentation on the subject is archived in the file:

http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/baseline/jonsson_1_0502.pdf

This presentation also assumes that the 100BASE-X PCS is retained unchanged, but decisions to modify the PCS have been made since the baseline was adopted, and these are reflected in the approved text of the draft.

The PAR and 5 Criteria for EFM never claimed that the 100BASE-X PCS would be retained unchanged. The changes that we have made to the 100BASE-X PCS for the sake of unidirectional OAM PDU transmission were approved by the WG in the course of the WG ballot. This change was approved in Italy in September of 2003 in the following

presentation:

http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/sep03/frazier_1_0903.pdf

Cl 66 SC 66 P535 L 1 # 99312
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

D3.0 #380

'Don't mess with the legacy Ethernet.'

The 'required' aspect of this clause is unworkable, as it tries to make a tight association between PMD type, network type ('access' vs. 'campus') and e.g. PCS functionality. See my comment against 57.1.2 for more explanation.

Further, this clause affects 10G Ethernet, which doesn't seem to be part of 'Ethernet in subscriber access' at all - which subscribers get access to that sort of 'broadband' access!?! And it tries to do it in a way which is controversial (see TRs against previous drafts) and doesn't make sense to me.

The proposed changes would encourage pointless and misleading behaviour which is presently forbidden: transmitting to a station which is sending 'remote fault' or 'far end fault indication' - saying it can't hear you. If this is forbidden now, we would need a reason to overturn the rules.

Clause 66 RS, PCS and PMA are shown as optional in Table 56-2. That's as it should be (except for 1000BASE-PX-D, PON OLT).

Suggested Remedy

See attached file for proposed revision of clause 66, including reasons why.
http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/comments/d3_0/pdfs/dawe_2_0104.pdf ?

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

If you want to use the 1000BASE-LX10, or other EFM specific PHY types, then the PHY must use the PCS/RS defined in this clause. If you don't use this PCS/RS then the PHY type is not specified.

The PMD can be fully compliant with 802.3ah and it depends on how it is used to determine what its PHY type is called.

Changes to make

Accept text changes to last paragraph before 66.1

66.2.1 - replace "regardless of the value of link_status" with "regardless of whether the PHY has determined that a valid link has been established"

Same change to 66.2.2

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Cl 66 SC 66 P539 L1 # 677
Dawe, Piers Agilent
Comment Type E Comment Status A
10Gb/s needs a space
SuggestedRemedy
"10 Gb/s. Also title of 66.3, twice in 66.3.1, three times in 66.3.2, title of 66.4, once in 66.4.1, several more..."
Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 66 SC 66 P540 L1 # 557
Booth, Brad Intel
Comment Type TR Comment Status A
Paragraph makes use of "should" and "must". IEEE 802.3 tries to avoid the use of such words.
SuggestedRemedy
Change "should" in 2nd sentence to "may". In the 3rd sentence, change second and third "should" to be "shall". In the 4th sentence, change both "must" to be "shall". Change "should" in 5th sentence to be a "shall".
Proposed Response Response Status U
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

In addition - need to drop "on both ends of the link" from the part where OAM is enabled.

I'm okay with accepting these changes but these 5 new shall statements require a new PICS entry.

Replace the existing text with the following:

"This clause describes additions and modifications to the 100BASE-X, 1000BASE-X and 10GBASE physical layers, making them capable of unidirectional operation, which is required to initialize a 1000BASE-PX network, and allows the transmission of Operations, Administration and Management (OAM) frames regardless of whether the PHY has determined that a valid link has been established.

However, unidirectional operation may only be enabled under very limited circumstances. Before enabling this mode, the MAC shall be operating in full duplex mode and Auto-Negotiation, if applicable, shall be disabled. In addition, the OAM sublayer above the MAC (see Clause 57) shall be enabled or (for 1000BASE-X), the PCS shall be part of a 1000BASE-PX-D PHY (see Clause 60 and Clause 64). Unidirectional operation shall not be invoked for a PCS that is part of a 1000BASE-PX-U PHY (except for out-of-service test purposes or where the PON contains just one ONU). Failure to follow these restrictions results in an incompatibility with the assumptions of 802.1 protocols, a PON that cannot initialize, or collisions, which are unacceptable in the P2MP protocol."

Add a new subclause before 66.4.4.1 with title: "Maintaining compatibility with 802.1 protocols"

Add a PICS table identical to the others in this section with the following entry:
MC1 - Unidirectional mode enabled - 66 - Full duplex and disable AutoNeg and (enable OAM or 1000BASE-PX-D) and not 1000BASE-PX-U - M - Yes[], No[]

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Cl 66 SC 66 P540 L1 # 66001
Brown, Benjamin

Comment Type T Comment Status A

Add text to make it clear that the changes in this clause only exist when unidirectional operation is enabled. Otherwise, the sublayers described here match precisely with those being replaced (24, 36 & 46).

Make several other changes as necessary to support the new direction for unidirectional operation.

SuggestedRemedy

At the very beginning of the first paragraph of this clause, replace the word "This" with "In the absence of unidirectional operation, the sublayers in this clause are precisely the same as their equivalents in Clause 24, Clause 36, and Clause 46. Otherwise, this"

In 66.1.1, remove the words "change to" from the first sentence and remove the second sentence completely. Make the same changes to 66.2.1 and 66.3.1

In 66.1.2, 66.2.2 and 66.3.2, replace "subscriber access networks has the ability" with "subscriber access networks may have the ability"

Also, in 66.2.1, page 542, line 41, replace "PCS" with "PCS and PMA".

Change the title of the clause to use PHY rather than PCS for 1000BASE-X

In 66.2.2, insert the following sentence before the last sentence of this paragraph: "The 1000BASE-X PMA for subscriber access networks shall conform to the requirements of the 1000BASE-X PMA specified in 36.3 with no changes."

Add "and PMA" to the Feature entry of PICS item G1 in 66.4.4.2

Add new major option:

*PUNI - Unidirectional Operation - 66 - Device supports unidirectional operation - O - Yes []
No []

For PICS items H2, H3, G2, LF2-LF10, add "PUNI*" before the status entries.

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 66 SC 66 P540 L8 # 340
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A
pert

SuggestedRemedy
part

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 66 SC 66.0 P540 L8 # 144
Brown, Benjamin Independent

Comment Type E Comment Status A
wrong word

SuggestedRemedy
Replace "pert" with "part"

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT.

Cl 66 SC 66.1.1 P540 L19 # 342
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Unidirectional is of very minor use even for OAM. It doesn't 'support subscriber access networks', they'll work without it. In general it duplicates PHY layer mechanisms that will do a better job of protection switching, being hardware oriented and so can be faster. It can't work on some PHYs so it's not as generic as hoped. But maybe having both mechanisms is useful for managing complex multi-hop networks - which can exist in 'traditional campus/industrial/core/metro markets too. There's nothing 'subscriber access' specific about this need.
100BASE-X optical has a suitable remote fault indication (FEFI) already, and 100BASE-LX10 type ports have been shipping for years. Let's not foul it up with a new feature, which itself need not be mandatory.

SuggestedRemedy
Change 'This subclause specifies changes to the 100BASE-X PCS and PMA for support of subscriber access networks.' to
'This subclause specifies optional variations to the 100BASE-X PCS and PMA for unidirectional transport of OAM frames.'

Proposed Response Response Status C
ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See the presentation daw_e_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

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Cl 66 SC 66.1.1 P540 L20 # 341
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

Please state the much less contentious proximate technical reason for these proposed changes. As in the clause title...

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'for support of subscriber access networks.' to 'for unidirectional transport of OAM frames'.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

See the presentation daw_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Cl 66 SC 66.1.1 P540 L21 # 349
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Isn't Ethernet a proper name?

SuggestedRemedy

Give it a capital letter, here, in 66.2.1 and elsewhere.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

All text associated with this comment has been deleted due to other comments.

Cl 66 SC 66.1.1 P540 L21 # 343
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

We should not talk about 'changes to the existing': clause 24 isn't changing, and when this draft standard is ratified, clauses 24 and 66 will both be 'existing' on an equal footing. It doesn't seem right to call mainstream Ethernet 'legacy' as if it's losing market traction and is going to be replaced by ATM or EFM or something.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'These are changes to the existing 100BASE-X PCS and PMA for legacy ethernet as described in Clause 24.'
to: 'These are variations on the 100BASE-X PCS and PMA defined in Clause 24.'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See the presentation daw_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Cl 66 SC 66.1.2 P540 L26 # 344
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Removing duplication and contentious (marketing?) claim.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'The 100BASE-X PCS and PMA for subscriber access networks shall conform to the requirements of the 100BASE-X PCS specified in 24.2 and the 100BASE-X PMA specified in 24.3 with the following exception: The 100BASE-X PCS for subscriber access networks has the ability ...'

to: 'A unidirectional capable 100BASE-X PCS and PMA shall conform to the requirements of the 100BASE-X PCS specified in 24.2 and the 100BASE-X PMA specified in 24.3 with the following exception: they have the ability ...'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See the presentation daw_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Cl 66 SC 66.1.2 P540 L26 # 345
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Re 'transmit data from the MII' could be misleading: as the PCS has an MII, if it transmits from the MII, the PCS is transmitting towards its own MAC. Remember the semantic difficulty with XAU1 'transmitting' in two directions.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete 'from the MII'. Similarly 'from the GMII' in 66.2.2.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Also, "from the XGMII" in 66.3.2

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Cl 66 SC 66.1.2.2 P540 L 50 # 373
 Thompson, Geoffrey Nortel

Comment Type E Comment Status A

I believe that the current organization of the text is confusing to many who are not intimately familiar with 10BASE-T.

Having the text in a single paragraph confuses that the functions of collision detection and transmit disable are a single function rather than 2 entirely separate functions.

Insert a paragraph split as indicated below.

SuggestedRemedy

"Collision detection is implemented by noting the occurrence of carrier receptions during transmissions, following the model of 10BASE-T. The indication of link_status ..."

SHOULD BE SPLIT INTO TWO PARAGRAPHS, I.E.:

"Collision detection is implemented by noting the occurrence of carrier receptions during transmissions, following the model of 10BASE-T.

The indication of link_status..."
 (A Maint Request has been entered to fix this in the current standard.)

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Since there are no changes to this first sentence then drop the first sentence and change the text to point to the third paragraph.

Cl 66 SC 66.1.2.3 P541 L 51 # 346
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

If we agree that OAM frames indicating remote fault embedded in PHY layer RF are good, or acceptable, for 10G then the same is true for 100BASE-X, except it's called FEFI rather than RF.

I do think that fast, hardware oriented, already standardized, protection switching will be needed in access networks in particular to carry time-sensitive traffic like voice and video, especially on the slower link types.

As FEFI is optional, the remedy below behaves as the current draft 3.1 when FEFI is turned off. Conveniently, 100BASE-FX doesn't have auto-negotiation. Not sure if we need a whole nibble of guard band (see suggested remedy); willing to optimise that.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'Far-End Fault Generate simply passes tx_code-bits to the TX process when signal_status=ON or when mr_unidirectional_enable=TRUE. When signal_status=OFF and mr_unidirectional_enable=FALSE, it repetitively generates each cycle of the Far-End Fault Indication until signal_status is reasserted or mr_unidirectional_enable is set to TRUE.'

to:

'Far-End Fault Generate simply passes tx_code-bits to the TX process when signal_status=ON. When signal_status=OFF and mr_unidirectional_enable=FALSE, it repetitively generates each cycle of the Far-End Fault Indication until signal_status is reasserted or mr_unidirectional_enable is set to TRUE. When signal_status=OFF and mr_unidirectional_enable=TRUE, it repetitively generates each cycle of the Far-End Fault Indication, interrupted by any frames, until signal_status is reasserted. There is least one nibble (5 bits on the line) of ONes between a ZERO in the Far-End Fault Indication stream and the start of stream delimiter to avoid error propagation'. Change the Far-End Fault Generate state diagram accordingly.

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

See the presentation dawe_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Your suggested remedy is incomplete. There would need to be an additional signal added between the Transmit state diagram (Figure 24-8) and the Far-End Fault Generate state diagram (Figure 24-16) to tell the latter state machine when the former machine was generating a packet. There is no obvious signal currently in existence to do this. At this point in the process, making a change of this magnitude without adequate review is unwise as it could potentially break the PCS/PMA interface.

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Cl 66 SC 66.2.1 P542 L41 # 347
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

Similarly to one of my comments against 66.1.1: Unidirectional is less valuable than avoiding retrospective changes, allowing 1000BASE-LX10 to be used in traditional Ethernet, allowing CO Ethernet equipment to straddle the divide between traditional Ethernet and access Ethernet, not fragmenting the market, and not causing possible interoperability problems. This new way of signaling RF has to be optional and should not if practicable foul up the existing way. Also, stating the much less contentious proximate technical reason for these proposed changes.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'This subclause specifies changes to the 1000BASE-X PCS for support of subscriber access networks.' to 'This subclause specifies optional variations to the 1000BASE-X PCS for unidirectional transport of OAM frames.'

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

See the presentation daw_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Cl 66 SC 66.2.1 P542 L42 # 348
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

We should not talk about 'changes to the existing': clause 36 isn't changing, and when this draft standard is ratified, clauses 36 and 66 will both be 'existing' on an equal footing. It doesn't seem right to call mainstream Ethernet 'legacy' as if it's losing market traction and going to be replaced by ATM or EFM or something. Also, should give clause 37 a mention.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'These are changes to the existing 1000BASE-X PCS for legacy ethernet as described in Clause 36.' to: 'These are variations on the 1000BASE-X PCS defined in Clause 36 and Clause 37.'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See the presentation daw_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Cl 66 SC 66.2.1 P542 L43 # 350
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Need to add a statement saying when this mode or type is applicable. It can't be required for 1000BASE-LX10, there's too much stuff out there. If it causes an interop problem, it shouldn't be allowed on 1000BASE-LX10 because that's meant to be connected to 1000BASE-LX.

SuggestedRemedy

Add sentence 'They are optional for P2P 1000BASE-X PHYs, mandatory for 1000BASE-PX-D and optional but to be used with caution for 1000BASE-PX-U.' or: 'They are optional for 1000BASE-LX10 and 1000BASE-BX10, mandatory for 1000BASE-PX-D, optional but to be used with caution for 1000BASE-PX-U and not applicable to other PHY types.' or: 'They are optional for 1000BASE-BX10, mandatory for 1000BASE-PX-D, optional but to be used with caution for 1000BASE-PX-U and not applicable to other PHY types.'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See the presentation daw_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Cl 66 SC 66.2.2 P542 L46 # 351
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Removing duplication and contentious (marketing?) claim.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'The 1000BASE-X PCS for subscriber access networks shall conform to the requirements of the 100BASE-X PCS specified in 24.2 and the 100BASE-X PMA specified in 36.2 with the following exception: The 100BASE-X PCS for subscriber access networks has the ability ...' to: 'A unidirectional capable 1000BASE-X PCS shall conform to the requirements of the 100BASE-X PCS specified in 36.2 with the following exception: it has the ability ...'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See the presentation daw_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

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Cl 66 SC 66.2.2.3 P543 L25 # 352
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

If we agree that OAM frames indicating remote fault embedded in PHY layer RF are good, or acceptable, for 10G then the same is true for 1000BASE-X, except it's called /C/ ordered_sets rather than RF.
 I do think that fast, hardware oriented already standardized, protection switching will be needed in access networks in particular to carry time-sensitive traffic like voice and video, especially on the slower link types. But having investigated it I see why you were tempted to cut the Gordian knot and get away from clause 37 altogether!
 The remedy below behaves as the current draft 3.1 when autoneg is turned off.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 66.2.2.3 so that when signal_status=OFF and mr_unidirectional_enable=TRUE, the PHY will transmit /C/, or a mix of /C/ and /I/, interrupted with OAM frames. Ensure that the reception of this can be used simply to inhibit transmission of client frames (and any protection action) rather than triggering a repeated autoneg activity. Describe modifications to figure 37-6 to achieve this.

Proposed Response REJECT. Response Status C

There is insufficient support in the task force or working group to support this kind of a change.

Cl 66 SC 66.3.1 P543 L53 # 353
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Removing duplication and contentious (marketing?) claim. Also I thought there was still some debate about whether this (10G) modification should be optional or forbidden - and we have consensus that it's not mandatory.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'This subclause specifies changes to the 10Gb/s RS for support of subscriber access networks. These are changes to the existing 10Gb/s RS for legacy ethernet as described in Clause 46.' to 'This subclause specifies optional variations to the 10Gb/s RS defined in Clause 46, for unidirectional transport of OAM frames.'

Proposed Response ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Response Status C

See the presentation dawe_2_0304 that serves to make unidirectional operation dependent upon the ability of the PHY and the existence of the OAM Remote Fault option.

Cl 66 SC 66.3.1 P543 L54 # 678
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Isn't Ethernet a proper name?

SuggestedRemedy

Leave it in capitals.

Proposed Response ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Response Status C

All text associated with this comment has been deleted due to other comments.

Cl 66 SC 66.3.2.2 P540 L41 # 99313
 Grow, Robert Intel

Comment Type TR Comment Status R D3.0 #552

The true value needs to be better tied to the register bits that define unidirectional being enabled.

SuggestedRemedy

TRUE; Unidirectional capability enabled (register bits 0.1 = 1 and 1.7 = 1, see Clause 22)

Proposed Response REJECT. Response Status U

This is the RS. Clause 22 registers have never been used to represent variables or anything else in an RS. While the RS is part of the physical layer, it is not part of the PHY.

Cl 66 SC 66.4.2.2 P545 L41 # 356
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Get the marketing claims out of the PICS tables!

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'Device supports functionality required for XXX YYY for subscriber access networks' to 'Device has unidirectional capability' (three times).

Proposed Response ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. Response Status C

See response to comment #355

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Cl 66 SC 66.4.2.2 P545 L41 # 354
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Font size, right hand cell.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 66 SC 66.4.2.2 P545 L41 # 357
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 Need to make this mandatory for 1000BASE-PX-D (OLT).
 SuggestedRemedy
 Insert new row:
 *OLT 1000BASE-PX-D 66.2.1 PCS is part of a 1000BASE-PX-D O Yes [] No [] Add
 another status to *GIG, OLT:M.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This is picked up by new PICS entry added from comment #557

Cl 66 SC 66.4.2.2 P545 L43 # 355
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Identification needs to agree with clause title.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Change 'for Operations, Administration, and Management (OAM)' to 'for unidirectional transport'. Also in title of 66.4.4.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 Also in title of 66.4

Cl 67 SC 67.1 P550 L43 # 335
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 This isn't grammatical: 'Number of PHY segment'
 SuggestedRemedy
 Maybe 'Number of PHYs per segment'?
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will fix the grammar

Cl 67 SC 67.3 P552 L32 # 336
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Too many blank lines
 SuggestedRemedy
 Take out any duplicate carriage feeds.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 67 SC 67.6 P553 L24 # 57005
 OAM STF
 Comment Type T Comment Status A
 Need to add sub-clause to 67.6, as a result of resolution to D3.0 TR comment #215.
 SuggestedRemedy
 Add subclause 67.6.3 Link status signalling in P2MP networks
 In P2MP networks the local_link_status parameter should reflect the status of a logical link associated with the underlying instance of Multi-point MAC Control. This is achieved by mapping the local_link_status parameter to variable 'registered' defined in sub-clause 64.3.8.3 as follows:
 local_link_status = OK if registered = true
 local_link_status = FAIL if registered = false
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

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Cl 67A SC 67A.2 P 678 L 12 # 339
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Unnecessary line feeds within cells
 SuggestedRemedy
 Please remove them: lines 12 and 14.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.2 P 678 L 39 # 337
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Too many blank lines
 SuggestedRemedy
 Take out any duplicate carriage feeds.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 67A SC 67A.2 P 678 L 39 # 338
 Dawe, Piers Agilent
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Double reference: 67A.2 66A.3
 SuggestedRemedy
 Delete '66A.3'.
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT.

Cl 99 SC P L # 122
 Michelle Turner IEEE-SA
 Comment Type E Comment Status A
 Upon editorial review of IEEE P802.3ah/D3.1, I have the following comments.
 For further guidance in preparing an IEEE Standard, here's the URL for access to the on-line version of the IEEE Standards Style Manual:
<http://standards.ieee.org/guides/style/index.html>

In the introduction, change the designation to read IEEE P802.3ah instead of IEEE Std 802.3ah. It appears throughout the front matter the document is already referred to as IEEE Std 802.3ah-20xx. It should be IEEE P802.3ah.
 Please note* The Replace function in Amendments and Corrigendum will only be reserved for figures and tables. It is expected that this rule will be in place by June.
 At the time of RevCom submittal please remember to supply a separate electronic file for each graphic in TIFF, GIF, EPS, or WMF formats. At this same time, please be sure to supply a list of names and addresses for all members of the working group. This will ensure that each member gets a complimentary copy of the standard upon publication.

SuggestedRemedy
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 After discussion with the IEEE Project Editor, we will provide any graphical files upon publication.
 Also, many thanx for the hard copy review of the entire document for style.

Cl 99 SC P 2 L 1 # 590
 Dr. David V. James
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A
 Excess capitalization
 SuggestedRemedy
 IEEE-SA Trademark Usage/Compliance Statement
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 IEEE-SA trademark usage/compliance statement
 Proposed Response Response Status C
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.
 We are deleting this page per the commenter's other comment, 589

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Cl 99 SC P2 L1 # 589

Dr. David V. James

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Either delete this header, or provide a sentence that states how the blank space will be filled.

SuggestedRemedy

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will delete page 2

Cl 99 SC Pii L # 406

Grow, Robert

Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Page ii is still there, and it is still obsolete.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the page per my D3.0 comment that was accepted.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 99 SC Piv L7 # 407

Grow, Robert

Intel

Comment Type E Comment Status A

802.3ak is now approved and published.

SuggestedRemedy

Change "xx" to "04" (the year of publication).

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 99 SC 99 P1 L20 # 257

Dawe, Piers

Agilent

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

The working title of this amendment to 802.3 appears to have been copied from 802.3ae but this project is much different; it is not defining a whole new set of layers at a new-to-Ethernet speed, but defining many extensions and options that must join into the existing layers without creating problems.

Now, near the end of the project when I hope all the half duplex MAC churn has died down, is the time to revise a working title chosen for D0.9, to reflect where the draft and project has actually ended up.

The title could be now more accurate in several ways. It needs to mention the significant, useful additions that will be applied to "legacy Ethernet" (non-subscriber access networks). While wordsmithing a suggested remedy I noticed that we haven't precisely changed Media Access Control Parameters, (much? at all?), but have introduced a new MPMC sublayer. Also there is a new OAM transport layer and optional changes to an RS. The suggested remedies make at least four changes which should be considered one by one:

- 1 Include OAM in title;
- 2 Include MPMC in title;
- 3 Include RS in title;
- 4 Include other (networks);
- 5 Delete 'MAC parameters'.

Why is this a TR? Because some PHYs in this document were always intended as dual use, in access and traditional Ethernets. Hence the other (networks).

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'Media Access Control Parameters, Physical Layers and Management Parameters for subscriber access networks' to:

Physical layers and reconciliation sublayer, Operations, Administration, and Maintenance (OAM) and multi-point MAC control sublayers, and management parameters for subscriber access and other networks

If this is too long, it could be shortened, e.g.:

Physical layers, OAM and multi-point MAC control sublayers, reconciliation sublayer and management parameters for subscriber access and other networks

and if we have changed MAC parameters, we can leave that bit in.

Proposed Response Response Status Z

WITHDRAWN.

The current title of the document meets the agreed PAR.

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Cl 99 SC 99 P1 L34 # 258
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status R

We should be positive not tentative about what we are doing. Also, it is no longer the case that: 'This draft also introduces the concept of Ethernet Passive Optical Networks ...'. The first draft said the same, so this one doesn't!

SuggestedRemedy

Change to:

This draft also specifies Ethernet Passive Optical Networks ...

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

This comment is in reference to the ammendment as a whole not to this revision

Cl 99 SC 99 P1 L9 # 256
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status R

Title repeats itself and is very hard to read - needs line feeds to break it up. Also doesn't quite follow style of base document or latest amendment (802.3ak).

SuggestedRemedy

Change to:

Draft Amendment to:<C/R>

IEEE Standard for Information technology<long dash><C/R>

Telecommunications and information exchange between systems<long dash><C/R>

Local and metropolitan area networks<long dash><C/R>

Specific requirements<C/R>

Part 3: Carrier sense multiple access with collision detection (CSMA/CD) access method and physical layer specifications<C/R>

<C/R>

Draft amendment: <title of this amendment>

Proposed Response Response Status C

REJECT.

The current formatting meets the project and REVCOM guidelines.

Cl 99 SC 99 P8 L12 # 260
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Rogue Capitals

SuggestedRemedy

subscriber access networks Also on line 31.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 99 SC 99 P8 L4 # 259
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

ammended

SuggestedRemedy

amended

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl 99 SC 99 P9 L9 # 261
 Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Isn't Ethernet a proper name? It deserves a capital letter.

SuggestedRemedy

Ethernet Also on line 25.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

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Cl 99 SC 99 P9 L9 # 262
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Where does the 'List of special symbols' go? I looked at published pdfs for 802.3-2002 and 802.3ae and couldn't see it.

SuggestedRemedy

I think Frame allows an end-matter book component as well as a "front matter" one. If so, consider moving these two pages to an end-matter file, and add an entry into the contents list so that a careful reader will know that it's there. This will simplify the IEEE editors' task.

Also, please add a table entry for the non-breaking space, to help future generations of editors.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This will be submitted to the staff editors and they can manage the frame aspect of it as they see fit.

Cl A SC P140 L29 # 600
Squire, Matt Hatteras Networks

Comment Type E Comment Status A

The reference to Y.1730 looks pretty short. Should be expanded to normal reference style.

SuggestedRemedy

Unfortunately, I don't have the full reference. Hopefully someone at the meeting will.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT. See comment 300

Cl A SC A P140 L29 # 300
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Title of Y.1730.

SuggestedRemedy

Requirements for OAM functions in Ethernet based networks, dated 2004. Also, better to swap 'ITU-T' and 'Recommendation' around.

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.

Cl A SC A P186 L6 # 655
Dawe, Piers Agilent

Comment Type E Comment Status A

Extend the instructions

SuggestedRemedy

Add 'and renumber the definitions as required.'

Proposed Response Response Status C

ACCEPT.