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Lightpaths for Protocol Performance

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Motivation



- > The purpose of protocols for fast long distance networks is to provide quality connections for "real scientists", studios, hospitals, etc.
- > There is a two to five year time lag from starting your research to widespread user adoption of your solutions.
- > To be relevant, you need to be trying to solve the problems that users will have two or more years from now.
- > Will these be the same old problems, with just more steroids?

A LightPath



- > A network connection that provides guaranteed capacity, constant latency, and high reliability.
 - Provisioned by a control plane.
 - Megabits to Terabits per second
 - The optimum implementation can be L0, L1, or L2, depending on the capacity/quality needed and facilities available
 - L3 should be used for the many small bandwidth demands that do not need these guarantees



Traditional 10G Optical Link







Effect of Dispersion



Transmitted Eye

Eye after 320 km of Fiber



Dispersion Compensation Modules (DCM)

- > Coils of 1 to 20 km of special fiber
- > 5 μ s to 100 μ s of added delay per coil
- > \$3k to \$10k per module
- > Generally needed after every 80 km of cable



Simplified Optical Connectivity





Dispersion Eliminator: WARP ASIC



0.13 μm BiCMOS

2.5 Mb High Speed Memory 2.0 M Gates

6 T Ops per second

Two 20 Gs/s 6 bit DAC

676 HTCE BGA - 14 layer

Linear and nonlinear precompensation of 10 Gb/s.

Silicon eliminates the optical channel degradations.

Electronic Dispersion Compensation 320 km of G.652 fiber, 2.5 dBm launched



No Compensation

Received Eye Diagram 320 km of G.652 fiber, 2.5 dBm launched



No Compensation

WARP Compensation Overcomes Dispersion

10 Gb/s with no Traditional Dispersion Compensation



Eye diagrams after transmission over standard G.652 fiber with Nortel WARP processing.



Electronic Dispersion Precompensation



Optical Dispersion Compensation is Obsolete



Forward Error Correction

Block Code

Information sequence:	k bits
Codeword:	<i>n</i> bits
Rate:	k / n





Bose-Chaudhuri-Hocquenghem (BCH) Codes

• For any positive integers m and t < n/2, there is a binary BCH code of length $n = 2^m$ -1 which corrects all combinations of t or fewer errors and has no more than mt parity check symbols.

Product Code







Two-dimensional Iterative decoding









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FEC Evolution in 10G Product





Forward Error Correction

- > If systematic redundancy is added to the data, one can correct errors that later occur.
- > Does not require retransmission, so minimal delay at full line rate.
- > Correcting bit errors allows clean operation despite large amounts of optical noise, producing system gain.
- > Can expect random packet error rates ~ 10^{-14}

Rate of Packet Loss

- >FEC in the line and FEC between each chip eliminates random errors.
 - ~10⁻¹⁴ packet loss is once per (mathematical) millennium at 10G
 - We measured zero errors in a month under constant worst case optical noise conditions
- > Layer 1 lightpath eliminates packet loss or reordering due to routing or packet switching.
- > Packets can still be lost due to equipment failure or fiber cuts.
 - HDX has an availability of 99.9999%
 - Typical fiber route has 2 cuts per year per 1000 km of buried cable, with an 14 hour mean time to repair
 - Equipment can be designed for hitless protection switching, or for 50 ms protection.

Latency and Jitter



- > Minimize the physical path length
 - no satellite connections, use a direct fiber route.
 - no dispersion compensating fiber coils, at 50 μ s per coil.
- > Minimize the Buffering
 - Layer 1 lightpath, with no packet queues.
 - FEC rather than ARQ, so no ARQ buffer delays
- > Minimize the Jitter
 - Physical layer jitter is minimal
 - No queuing jitter

> How can you exploit a lightpath with minimum, constant, latency?







How do I send a large data set to several destinations?

400 Gb/s Layer 1 switching ASIC



- > One byte from each of 8000 inputs written into high speed 9 port RAM, every 160 ns.
- > For each output, software has chosen which RAM location to constantly read.
- > Any number of outputs can have chosen the same input.
- > 50 Mb/s granularity
- > Parallel connections build high capacity, e.g. 192 = OC-192
- > Constant latency, no errors
 - Jitter < 1 ps
 - FEC on all inputs and outputs



These chips allow Layer 1 Multicast

One layer 1 switch: •50 Mb/s 70,000 ways, •240Gb/s streams 15 ways

HDX Up to 1.28 Tb/s single shelf 3.84 Tb/s as a hub



OME <u>Up to 160 G</u>b/s



HDXc Up to 640 Gb/s



What can you do with arbitrary Multicast?

For example: source from CERN, multicast in Amsterdam One of those links across the Atlantic, multicast in Chicago One of those links to Seattle, multicast to the Pacific.



- > Multicast 10G or 40G one direction and 50M point-to-point return.
- > Multicast both directions.
- > Multicast one way without high speed return path.

What about the Ends of the Lightpath?



- > Mapping packets into the Lightpath without losing quality
 - Layer 0 Lightpath is optical end to end,
 - 10GE WAN or LAN.
 - Layer 1 Lightpath can traverse carrier networks such as transoceanic, and SONET/SDH connections.
 - GFP in STM-64/OC-192, or 10GE WAN
- > What if the user chooses to share the Lightpath?
 - Time of day windows
 - optical or electrical switching of the full lightpath
 - Subdividing Layer 1 capacity
 - GFP mapping into STS-n
 - Layer 2 packet switching
 - provisioned pt-pt VLAN

GFP



- > Generic Framing Protocol
- > Efficiently maps packets into and out of layer 1.
- > Does not degrade quality of service.
- > Do the mapping at the user site.
 - allocate the share of the bandwidth
 - then use layer 1 switching,
 - demap at the destination site.

GFP mapping 2 x 10G into Layer 1 Lightpaths.





> Map GigE or 10GE into SONET/SDH using GFP.

> Alternative to 10GE WAN

- allows LAN interface prices
- better throughput than WAN
- not quite full LAN throughput

Frame Size 64	WAN 101.54%*	GFP 105.54%*	
128	97.11%	101.32%*	
256	94.61%	99.71%	100
512	93.27%	97.31%	Throughput
1024	92.57%	96.59%	rmoughput
1280	92.53%	96.44%	
1518	92.35%	96.35%	
9216	91 94%	95 93%	

Bigger Pipes: 40G



- > A successful 40 Gbps solution:
 - Completely compatible with a 10 Gbps line design
 - Use same deployed amplifier system as10Gbps
 - Same reach
 - Have same OADM and Branching capability
 - Have PMD/PDL specifications at least as tolerant as 10Gbps
 - Equal or better OAM&P metrics to those of 10 Gbps
 - Use same terminal platform as 10Gbps
 - Cheaper than 4 X 10 Gbps
- > What will you do with 40G pipes?

Lightpath Channel Model



- > Latency almost solely due to the speed of light in the shortest possible fiber connection and effectively zero packet jitter.
- >No congestion, no packet reordering, guaranteed capacity.
- >~10⁻¹⁴ probability of packet corruption from bit errors.
- > The required level of availability.
- > An engineered bound on the duration of interruptions.
- > 10Gb/s to 40Gb/s of capacity per channel.
- > Multicast connectivity to every required destination.
- Can you fully exploit these Lightpaths?





Backup

Linear Block Code Hamming Single Error Correction (7,4,3) code





$$Code(n,k,d)$$
$$t = \lfloor d/2 \rfloor$$

Generated Parity bits $P_1 = S_1 + S_2 + S_3$ $P_2 = S_2 + S_3 + S_4$ $P_3 = S_1 + S_2 + S_4$

> Hamming distance is number of places in which any two code words differ

GFP Overview



- Simple & Scalable Protocol
 - Operates 1.5M to 10G
 - Scalable beyond 40G
 - Unifying Transport mechanism
 - Currently supports
 - 802.3 Ethernet MAC
 - 8B/10B encoded clients
 - Ethernet, Fiber Channel, HDTV
 - Extendable for scalability
 - IP/PPP in HDLC like Frames
 - Easily extended for other protocols
 - No Interference with QOS
 - More efficient than legacy ATM, POS schemes
 - In built OAM channel for Telemetry
- Standards Based
 - Rollout on every Transport vendor's Silicon
- Works with Virtual Concatenation, LCAS



Virtual Concatenation (VCAT)

- > "Right-sizes" the provisioned SONET path for the client signal
 - Enables mapping into an arbitrary number of standard STSs
 - Transport capacity decoupled from service bandwidth less stranded bandwidth
- > VCAT can be diversely routed through SDH/SONET network
- > Recombined to contiguous payloads at end point of transmission
 - Need to handle differential delays at egress due to diverse routing
 - Do this using internal buffers 5us/km of differential fibre
- > Interworks with all existing SDH/SONET equipment
 - Only source & sink terminals need to support VCAT



LCAS – Link Capacity Adjustment Scheme

- > Efficiently offer dynamically-allocated bandwidth
- > Hitless increase or decrease in capacity of a VCAT Link (or Virtual Concatenated Group, VCG) by adding/removing VCs
- > Provides a soft protection & load-sharing mechanism
 - Automatically decreases the link capacity if a VC path experiences a failure
 - Automatically increases the link capacity when the network fault is repaired
- > Provides an extra level of network and service resiliency
 - Facilitates support of Service Level Agreements, especially in the area of network and service restoration
 - Hitless bandwidth expansion and contraction reduces service interruptions in the event of network failure
 - Eases network operations and maintenance actions

