IEEE P802.1CM Time-Sensitive Networking (TSN) for Fronthaul

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Standard Radio Base Station Splits



in 802.1CM

called Class 2 in 802.1CM



Ethernet-based Fronthaul Approach





Goals & Objectives of 802.1CM



Standard TSN Profiles for fronthaul

- Enable the transport of fronthaul streams in a bridged network
- A TSN Profile
 - Specifies aspects of bridge operation
 - Set of feature and option selections
 - Configuration guideline



Collaborative effort of CPRI Cooperation and IEEE 802.1

CPRI Cooperation

- http://www.cpri.info
- Fronthaul radio experts
- Continuous development of CPRI specifications for 15 years
- eCPRI released

IEEE 802.1

- http://www.ieee802.org/1
- Ethernet networking experts
- Packet networking standards for decades
- Time-Sensitive Networking

P802.1CM TSN for Fronthaul is a collaborative effort

- Joint sessions: face-to-face and virtual
- Common members

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Fronthaul Profiles

- Profiles are engineered taking into account the worst-case
- Two Profiles applicable to both Class 1 (CPRI) and Class 2 (eCPRI)

Profile A

- Keep it as simple as possible
- Based on strict priority
 - User data (IQ data) \rightarrow high priority traffic class
 - C&M data \rightarrow lower priority traffic class
- Max frame size for all traffic: 2000 octets (IEEE 802.3)

Profile B

- Leverage simple TSN feature
- Based on strict priority and frame preemption (802.3br & 802.1Qbu)
 - User data (IQ data) \rightarrow high priority traffic class; express traffic
 - C&M data \rightarrow lower priority traffic class; preemptable traffic
- Frame size maximized for user data (2000 octets)
- Frame size is flexible for other traffic

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Ethernet-based Fronthaul Details



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Summary

IEEE 802.1CM specifies **TSN Profiles for Fronthaul** - see <u>TD87/G</u>,<u>TD127/3</u> It is a collaborative effort of **CPRI** Cooperation and IEEE 802.1 Requirements are provided by **CPRI** Cooperation Two Fronthaul Profiles are specified

Both eCPRI and CPRI splits are supported

