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#### **Source**

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### **Amendment 1**

#### **New Appendix I: The relationship between and interaction of talker echo and absolute delay**

This appendix is intended to provide guidance on the relationship between and interaction of talker echo and absolute delay by means of graphs which result from calculations with the E-model as contained in ITU-T Rec. G.107 (03/2003).

Figure I.1 illustrates the combined effects of talker echo in the presence of absolute delay, whereas Figures I.2a and I.2b illustrate the effects of talker echo only (all three figures have been taken from ITU-T Rec. G.131).

It should be noted that, the upper graph in Figure I.1 illustrates the effect of absolute delay in the absence of any echo (see also Figure 1 of ITU-T Rec. G.114).

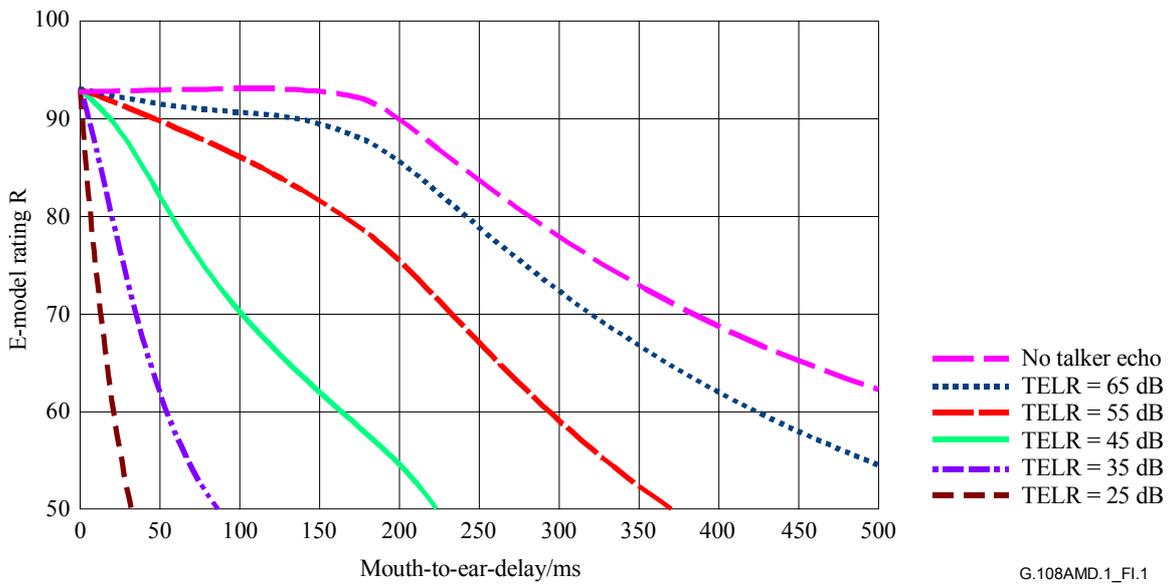
Figures I.3 through I.7 illustrate the comparison of the effects of talker echo only with the combined effects of talker echo and absolute delay; each for a given value of talker echo loudness rating TELR.

NOTE – All graphs are based on the 2003 version of the E-model. The graphs depicting the effects of talker echo have been calculated with  $T_a = 0$ ,  $T = T_r/2$  by means of recursive calculation; whereas the graph for absolute delay, in the absence of echo, is based on  $T_a = 0$ ,  $T_r = 0$  as provided in ITU-T Rec. G.114.

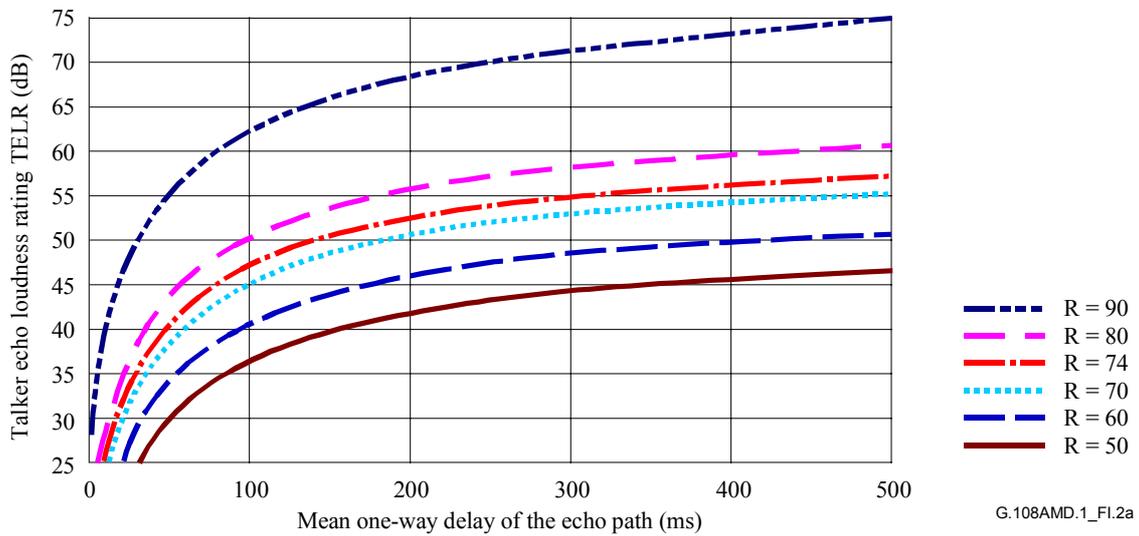
From a transmission planner's perspective, it is important to understand that the effects of talker echo may be eliminated by the proper deployment of an echo cancelling device, which performs in accordance with, or even exceeds, the requirements given in ITU-T Rec. G.168.

In addition, it is also very important to understand that the effect of absolute delay cannot be eliminated by the deployment of technology. Talker echo and absolute delay may effect different sequences of the same conversation, which is the reason why, under normal circumstances, the combination of both effects has to be taken as the basis for transmission planning.

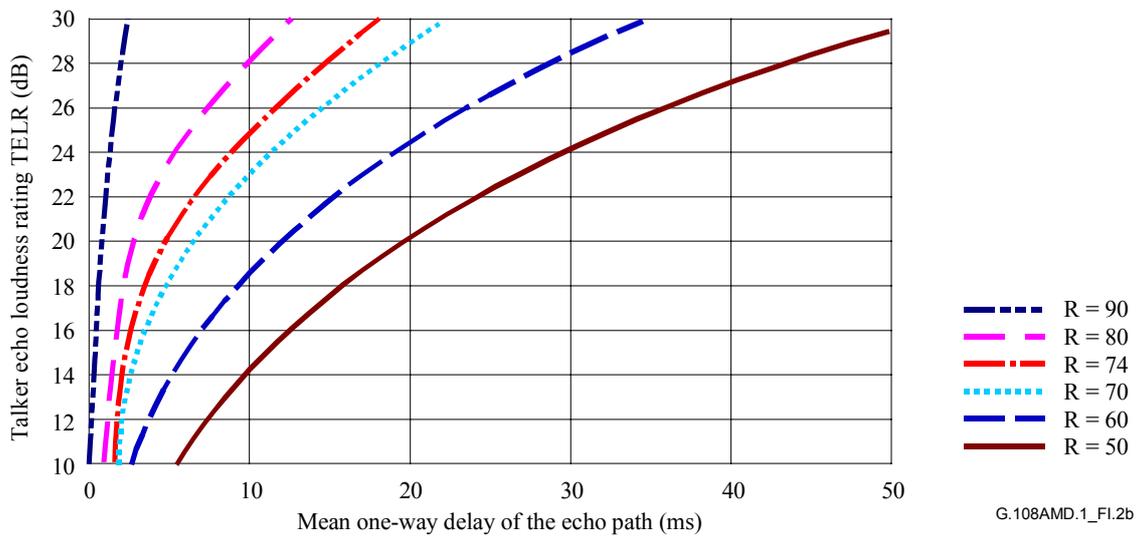
However, the differences, as shown in Figures I.3 through I.7, may be taken as useful background information for tutorial purposes; any application, in exceptional cases, is left to the individual transmission planner's discretion.



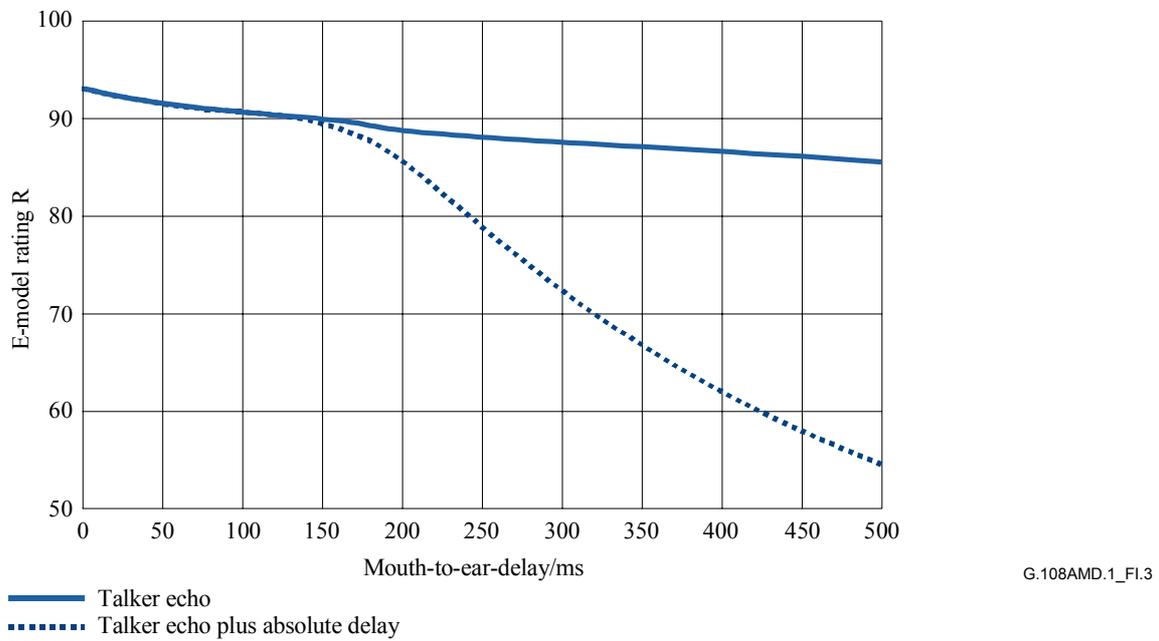
**Figure I.1/G.108 – Combined effects of talker echo in the presence of absolute delay**



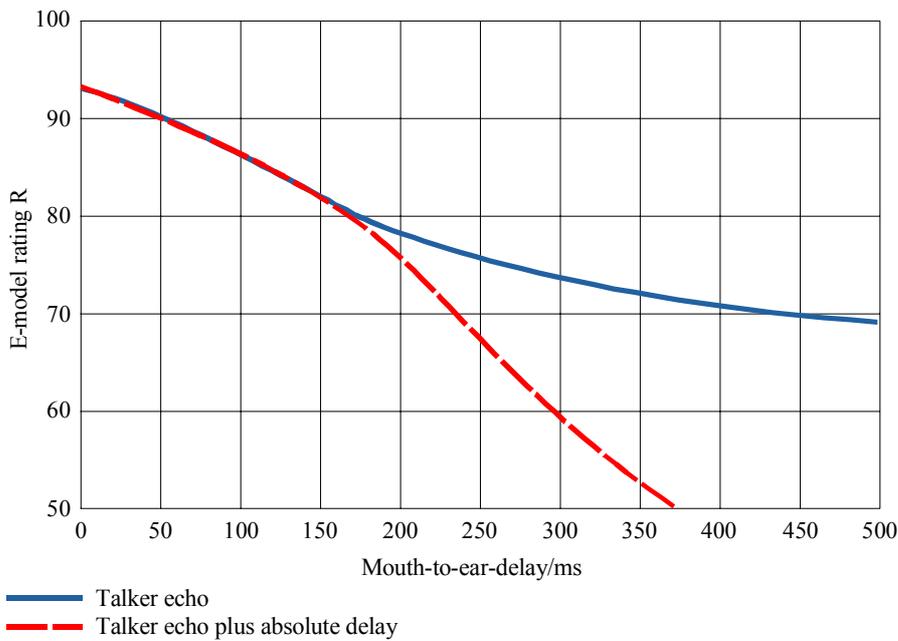
**Figure I.2a/G.108 – Effects of talker echo based on E-model**



**Figure I.2b/G.108 – Effects of talker echo based on E-model**

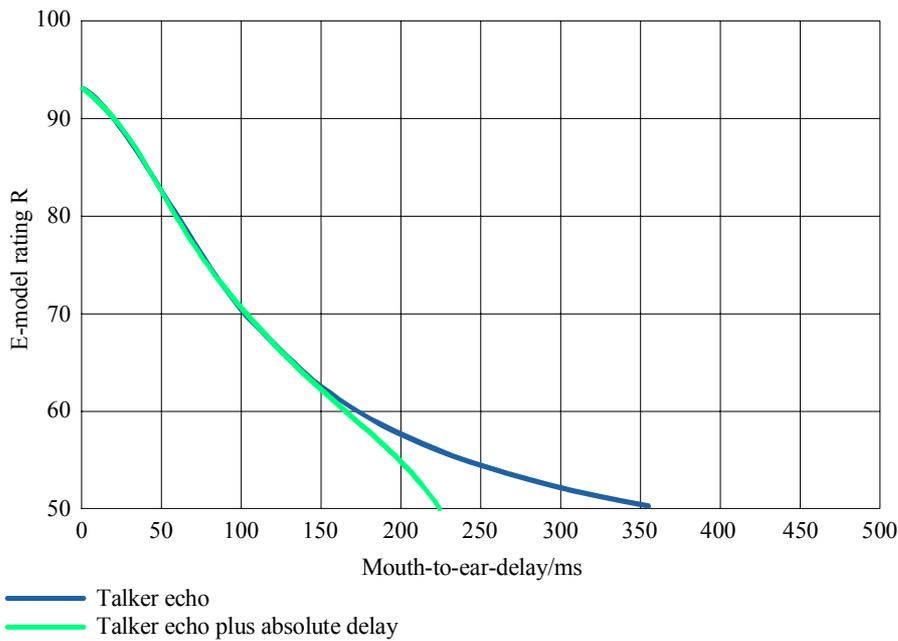


**Figure I.3/G.108 – Comparison of the effects of talker echo with the combined effects of talker echo and absolute delay; for TELR = 65 dB**



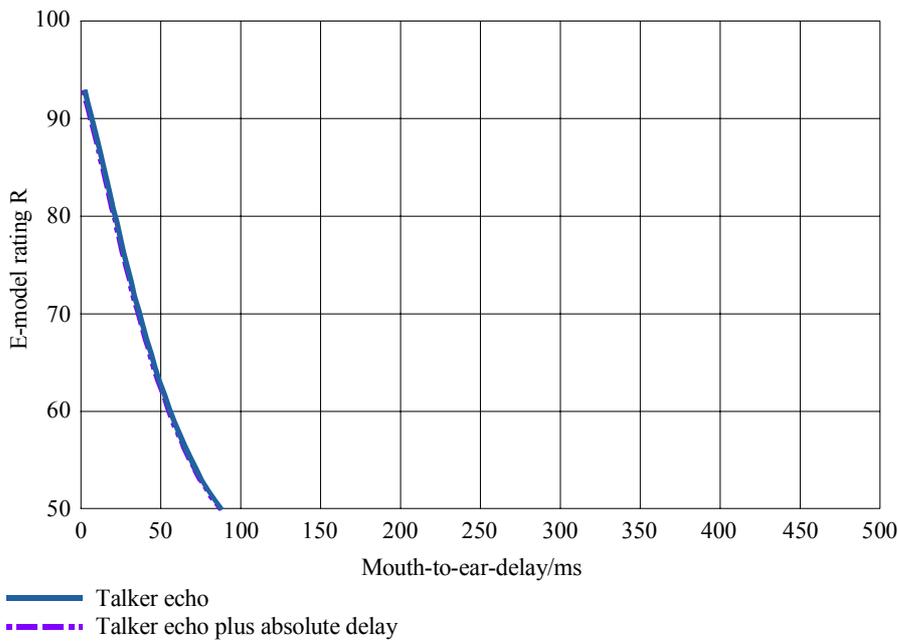
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**Figure I.4/G.108 – Comparison of the effects of talker echo with the combined effects of talker echo and absolute delay; for TELR = 55 dB**



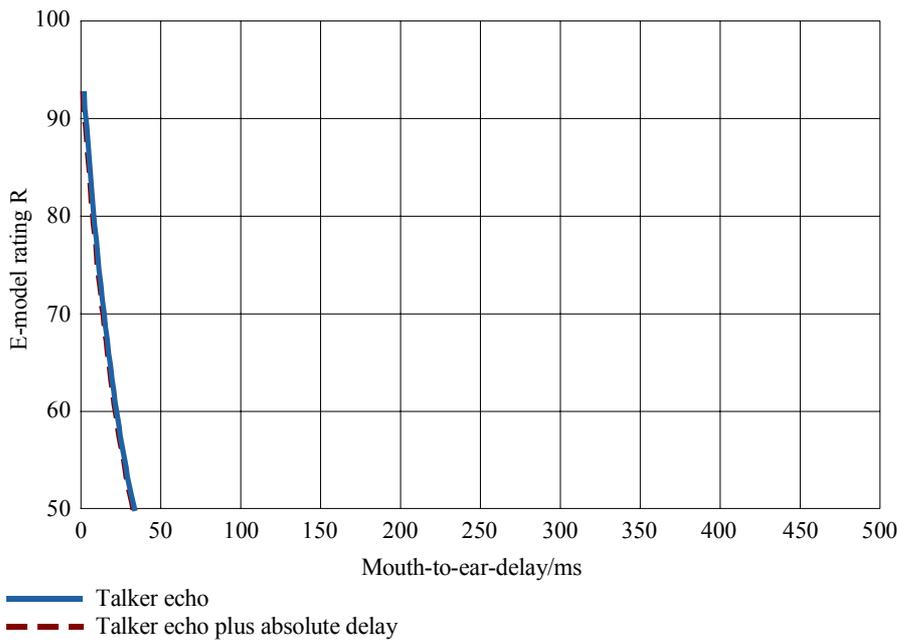
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**Figure I.5/G.108 – Comparison of the effects of talker echo with the combined effects of talker echo and absolute delay; for TELR = 45 dB**



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**Figure I.6/G.108 – Comparison of the effects of talker echo with the combined effects of talker echo and absolute delay; for TELR = 35 dB**



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**Figure I.7/G.108 – Comparison of the effects of talker echo with the combined effects of talker echo and absolute delay; for TELR = 25 dB**





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