

Performance of Assisted Partial Timing Support (APTS)

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Introduction

Objectives of the tests:

- Study performance potential of APTS
- Compare several ways of locking to the back-up GM
- Draw conclusions for the architecture

Method

- Emulate PDV of the network
- Measure TE at output of the APTS function before and after protection event (GNSS failure)



Test setup





Two APTS mechanisms

1. First priority: GNSS

Simultaneously: slave port time-locked to Core GM and measurement of delay asymmetry <u>Second priority</u>: time-lock to Core GM and delay asymmetry compensation

2. First priority: GNSS

Simultaneously: slave port frequency-locked to Core GM <u>Second priority</u>: frequency lock to Core GM; time clock continues ticking with this frequency



Three PDV impairment cases

- 1. A static delay asymmetry between forward and reverse directions of 10 μs
- **2.** G.8261/VI test case 12, traffic model 1¹:

80% traffic load in forward direction 20% traffic laod in reverse direction

3. G.8261/VI test case 13, traffic model 1^1 :

Sudden load changes Black: forward direction Red: reverse direction

Note 1: using Calnex reference PDV traces

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Summary of test cases

Test #	APTS mode	PDV impairment profile
1	Lock time via PTP transfer, asymmetry compensation	10 µs static delay asymmetry
2	Idem	G.8261/VI test case 12, traffic model 1^1
3	Idem	G.8261/VI test case 13, traffic model 1 ¹
5	Hold time via PTP frequency transfer	10 µs static delay asymmetry
6	Idem	G.8261/VI test case 12, traffic model 1 ¹
7	Idem	G.8261/VI test case 13, traffic model 1 ¹

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Measurements

What is being measured?

• Time Error TE of the outgoing two-way PTP stream, i.e. $avg(TE_{T1}, TE_{T4})$ What is being calculated?

• max |TE|, MTIE

What are the results compared against?

• Network Limits @ reference point C, G.8271.1, Amd1, § 7.3



Discussion

- Are the PDV traces emulating G.8261/VI test cases the right ones for evaluating APTS?
- No, because G.8261/VI is for a network without timing support from the network; consequence: the test is actually too tough on the tested APTS function
- Are the Network Limits of G.8271.1 the right ones for evaluating APTS?
- No, because G.8271.1 is for the case of full timing support from the network; G.8271.2 will specifiy network limits for the case of partial timing support, both assited and non-assisted; but it is not yet finalized.
- Yes, because: why should the network limit at reference point C be any different in the case of assisted partial timing support?

Note 1: Calnex bi-directional reference PDV traces



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Static asymmetry of 10 μ s, phase lock and asymmetry compensation max |TE | = **38 ns** \leq 1100 ns



Test #1, MTIE (dynamic Time Error)

Static asymmetry of 10 μ s, phase lock and asymmetry compensation





G.8261/VI test case 12-1, phase lock and asymmetry compensation max $|TE| = 116 \text{ ns} \le 1100 \text{ ns}$



Test #2, MTIE (dynamic Time Error)

G.8261/VI test case 12-1, phase lock and asymmetry compensation





G.8261/VI test case 13-1, phase lock and asymmetry compensation max $|TE| = 210 \text{ ns} \le 1100 \text{ ns}$



Test #3, MTIE (dynamic Time Error)

G.8261/VI test case 13-1, phase lock and asymmetry compensation





Static asymmetry of 10 μ s, frequency lock max |TE| = **36 ns** \leq 1100 ns



Test #4, MTIE (dynamic Time Error)

Static asymmetry of 10 µs, frequency lock





G.8261/VI test case 12-1, frequency lock max $|TE| = 410 \text{ ns} \le 1100 \text{ ns}$



Test #5, MTIE (dynamic Time Error)

G.8261/VI test case 12-1, frequency lock





G.8261/VI test case 13-1, frequency lock max |TE| = 356 ns ≤ 1100 ns



Test #6, MTIE (dynamic Time Error)

G.8261/VI test case 13-1, frequency lock





Conclusion

- Tests based on G.8261 test cases (!) show that the max |TE| at the output of the APTS function is well below the 1.1 μs in the GNSS failure case
- The test results suggest that the APTS function can be placed in the first aggregation site
- With the PDV emulations used, phase lock with asymmetry compensation fares somewhat better than frequency lock



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