

Latest Physical Layer test Methodologies in SATASAS 6G



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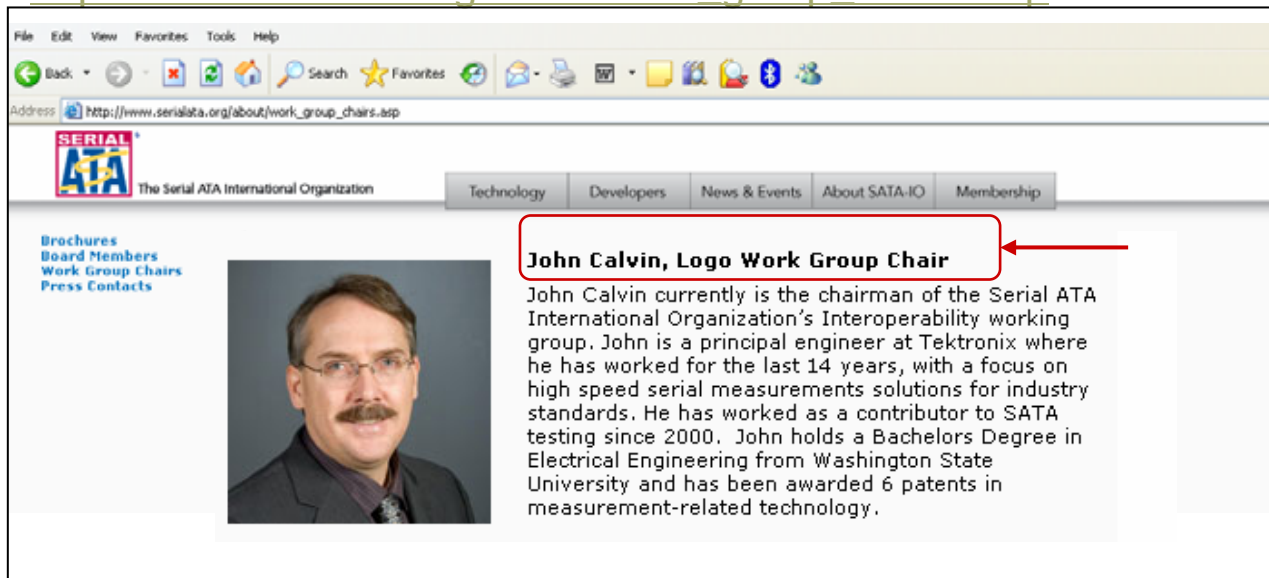
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Presenter Biography

- **John Calvin, Logo Work Group Chair**

- John Calvin currently is the chairman of the Serial ATA International Organization's Interoperability working group. John is a Product Manager at Tektronix where he has worked for the last 15 years, with a focus on high speed serial measurements solutions for industry standards. He has worked as a contributor to SATA testing since 2000. John holds a Bachelors Degree in Electrical Engineering from Washington State University and has been awarded 6 patents in measurement-related technology.
- http://www.serialata.org/about/work_group_chairs.asp



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the Serial ATA International Organization website. The address bar shows the URL http://www.serialata.org/about/work_group_chairs.asp. The website header includes the SERIAL ATA logo and navigation tabs for Technology, Developers, News & Events, About SATA-IO, and Membership. On the left side, there are links for Brochures, Board Members, Work Group Chairs, and Press Contacts. The main content area features a portrait of John Calvin and a text box with the following text: **John Calvin, Logo Work Group Chair**. John Calvin currently is the chairman of the Serial ATA International Organization's Interoperability working group. John is a principal engineer at Tektronix where he has worked for the last 14 years, with a focus on high speed serial measurements solutions for industry standards. He has worked as a contributor to SATA testing since 2000. John holds a Bachelors Degree in Electrical Engineering from Washington State University and has been awarded 6 patents in measurement-related technology.



Agenda

- Introduction
- SAS
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 - Measurements
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Tektronix in Storage Standards

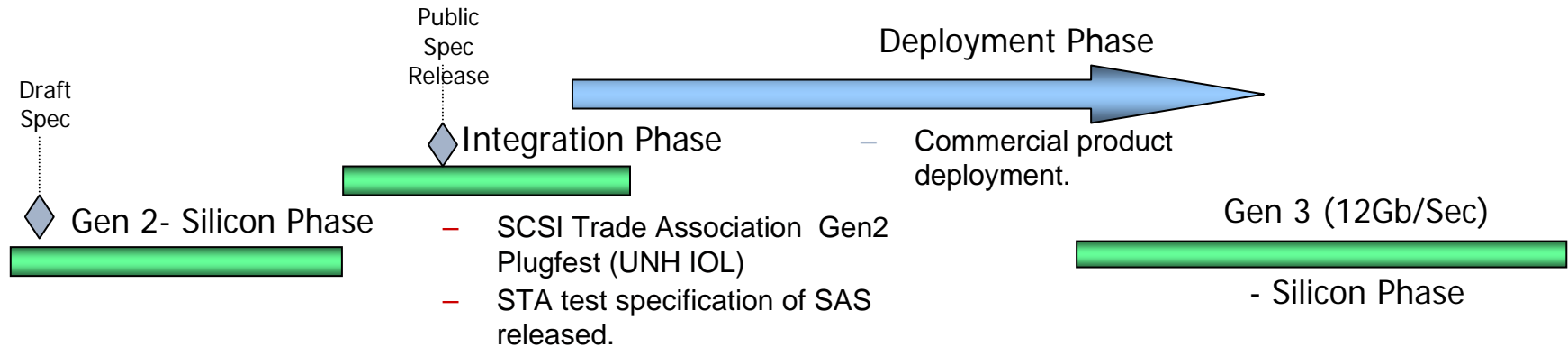
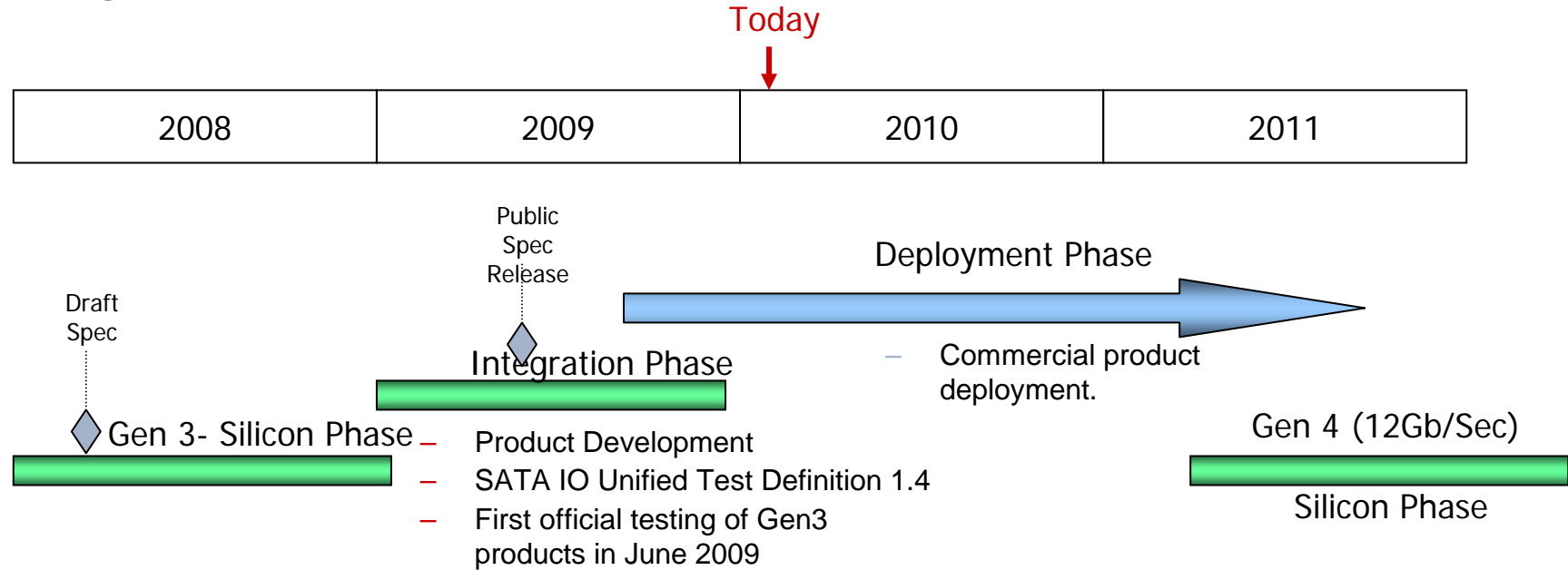


- Serial Advanced Technology Attachment (SATA)
 - Tektronix has the only comprehensive and fully automated SATA physical layer test automation package in the industry today, enabling the broad set of expert users, industrial automation and technical users alike.
 - Well established 20 GHz scope performance has been utilized at industry interoperability events and test labs for 2 years and provides unparalleled trigger, capture and analysis capabilities.
 - In the field of Receiver testing, Tektronix has introduced the concept of full digital synthesis of waveform impairments as well as integrated methods of logical state control with high performance (24Gs/sec) Arbitrary Waveform Generators.

- Serial Attached SCSI (SAS)
 - Tektronix is currently recognized as one of the two valid tool providers for the UNH IOL SAS Consortium's Physical Layer test suite. These are the tests performed for SAS conformance at a recent Plugfest.
 - Best in class, proven real time instrumentation platform along with industry recognized 70GHz sampling scopes provides users flexibility and latitude with either advanced debug or higher bit rates.
 - The first and only tool provider to provide comprehensive Noise decomposition, as well as Jitter decomposition along BER contour calculations.



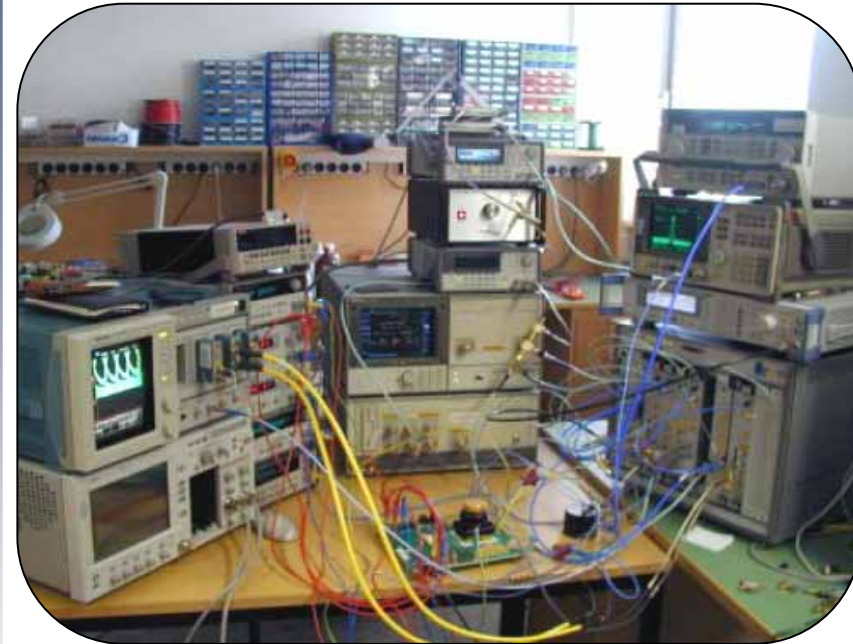
Storage Timelines and Solutions Development



Compliance Testing – An *Industry* Productivity Issue

Greater speed means greater design challenges, with implications...

- Greater test complexity
 - More instruments, configurations, and setup time
- Breadth of tests demands highly experienced, **senior equipment users** to perform and interpret results.
- Text complexity is high
 - Highly specialized – e.g., SSC modulation analysis, advanced receiver testing, Frequency domain S-Parameter measurements.
- Days to perform effective, repeatable and reliable product validation tests

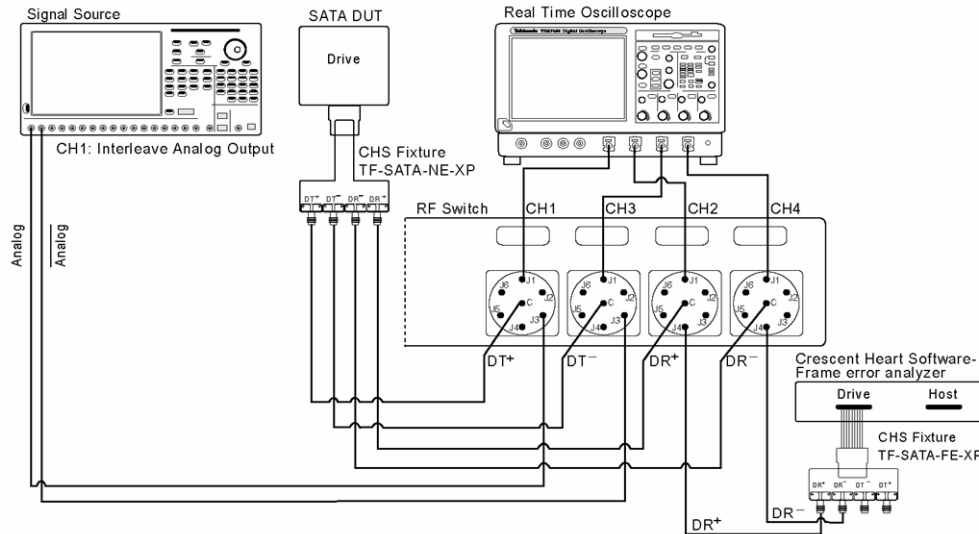


“Banner specs are no longer the gating issue. The latest equipment provides ample raw performance. What’s needed is greater ease of use, setup and automation.”

- Customer feedback

Integrated and Automated Test Control

TekExpress™ Test Automation Framework



*TekExpress Instrument Topology for
TSG/PHY/OOB, RSG testing*

- Simplifies Complex Measurements
- Improves Engineering Productivity
- Repeatable and Consistent results
- Automatic with no user intervention

- Arbitrary Waveform Generator (AWG)
 - DUT state control
 - Digitally synthesizes test signal impairments (Direct Synthesis)
- Complete offering includes:
 - Leading portfolio of Tektronix test instruments
 - Oscilloscopes
 - Signal generators
 - 3rd party integration with RF switch (Keithley), fixtures, API (NI), cabling, deskew, etc.
- Auto discovery of instruments using GPIB, USB, and LAN
 - 1GbE networking is used for data/waveform transport.
 - GPIB/488.2 is used for RF Switch and Power supply communications
- Test sequence automation
- One button control
- Reporting

SAS Physical Layer Testing



STA: PHY informative measurements



- SAS GROUP 1: COUPLING & OOB REQUIREMENTS
 - TEST 5.1.1 - AC COUPLING REQUIREMENTS
 - TEST 5.1.2 - TX MAXIMUM NOISE DURING OOB IDLE
 - TEST 5.1.3 - TX OOB BURST AMPLITUDE
 - TEST 5.1.4 - TX OOB OFFSET DELTA
 - TEST 5.1.5 - TX OOB COMMON MODE DELTA
- SAS GROUP 2: TX SPREAD SPECTRUM CLOCKING (SSC) REQUIREMENTS
 - TEST 5.2.1 - TX SSC MODULATION TYPE
 - TEST 5.2.2 - TX SSC MODULATION FREQUENCY
 - TEST 5.2.3 - TX SSC MODULATION DEVIATION AND BALANCE
 - TEST 5.2.4 - TX SSC DFDT (INFORMATIVE)
- GROUP 3: TX NRZ DATA SIGNALING REQUIREMENTS
 - TEST 5.3.1 - TX PHYSICAL LINK RATE LONG TERM STABILITY
 - TEST 5.3.2 - TX COMMON MODE RMS VOLTAGE LIMIT
 - TEST 5.3.3 - TX COMMON MODE SPECTRUM
 - TEST 5.3.4 - TX PEAK-TO-PEAK VOLTAGE
 - TEST 5.3.5 - TX VMA AND EQ (INFORMATIVE)
 - TEST 5.3.6 - TX RISE AND FALL TIMES
 - TEST 5.3.7 - TX RANDOM JITTER (RJ)
 - TEST 5.3.8 - TX TOTAL JITTER (TJ)
 - TEST 5.3.9 - TX WAVEFORM DISTORTION PENALTY (WDP)

The SAS consortium and the testing programs sponsored by the SCSI Trade Association (STA) perform these measurements on an informative basis.

There are no sanctioned SAS compliance measurements.

GROUP 4: S-PARAMETER REQUIREMENTS

- TEST 5.4.1 - RX DIFFERENTIAL RETURN LOSS (SDD11)
- TEST 5.4.2 - RX COMMON-MODE RETURN LOSS (SCC11)
- TEST 5.4.3 - RX DIFFERENTIAL IMPEDANCE IMBALANCE (SCD11)
- TEST 5.4.4 - TX DIFFERENTIAL RETURN LOSS (SDD22)
- TEST 5.4.5 - TX COMMON-MODE RETURN LOSS (SCC22)
- TEST 5.4.6 - TX DIFFERENTIAL IMPEDANCE IMBALANCE (SCD22)

TekExpress: SAS TSB/PHY/OOB



Select Standard Select Device Select Test Suite Version

Serial ATA Drive PHY-TSG-00B SAS 2.0

SAS Rx-Tx

Drive : PHY-TSG-00B SAS 2.0

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Test 5.3.9 - TX Waveform Distortion Penalty (WDP)

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- Example SAS Report:

- ftp://ftp.tektronix.com/outgoing/Sample_SAS_Report.mht

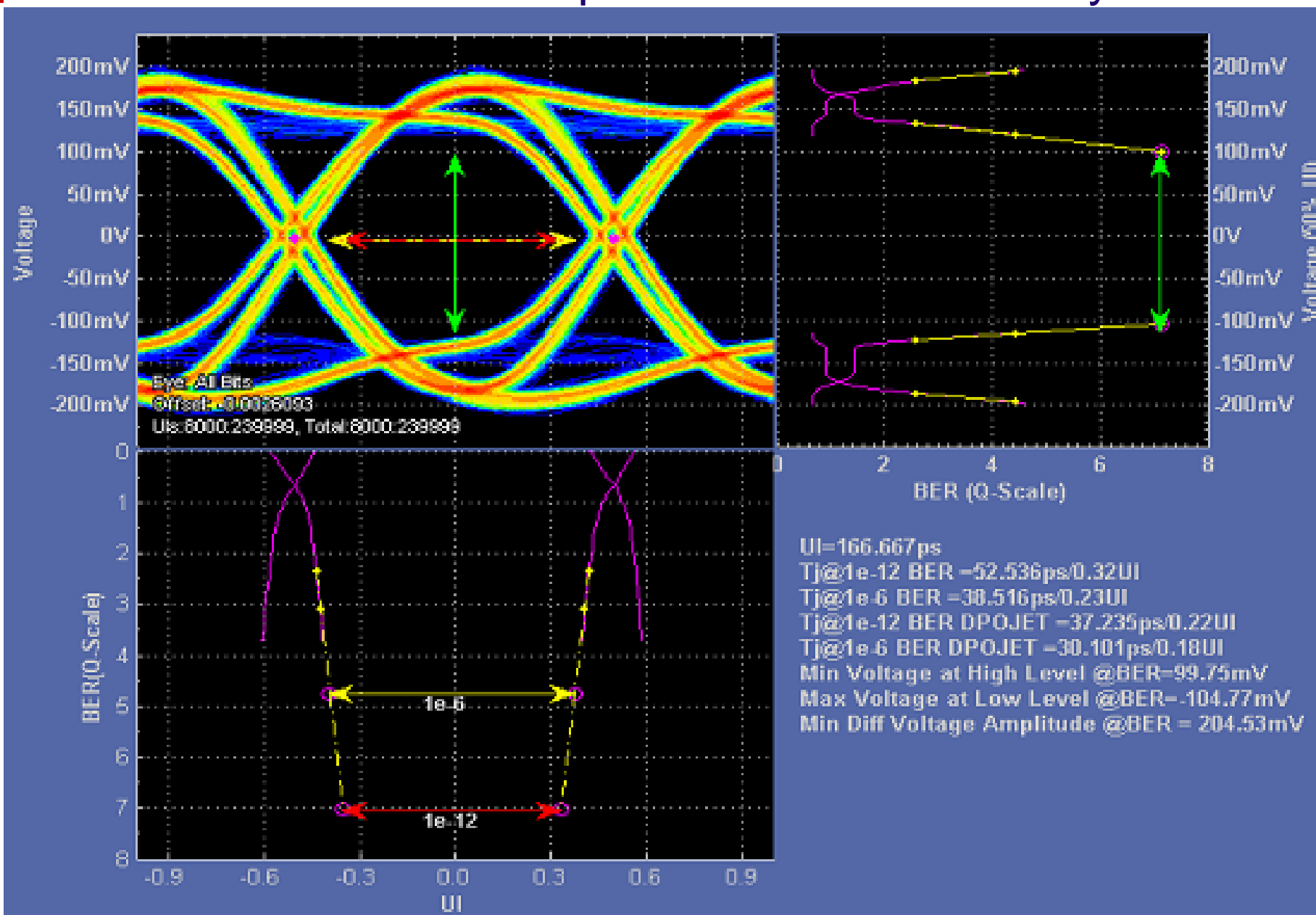
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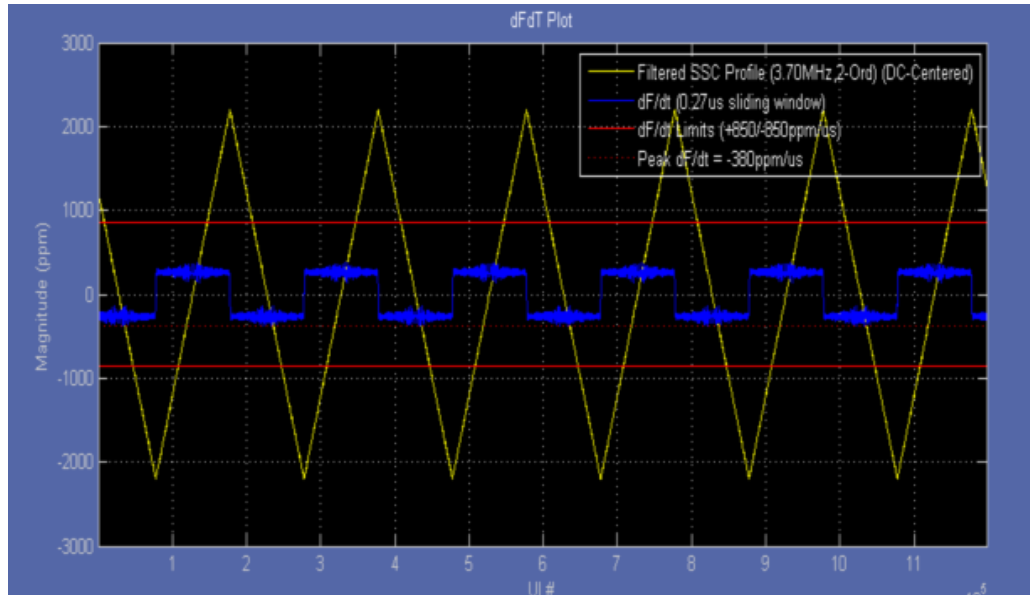
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Test 5.1.3 - TX OOB Burst Amplitude	Completed Test 5.1.3 - TX OOB Burs	2400 mV	Maximum peak-to-peak burst amplitu	-NA-	1796 - Passed	✓ Pass
		2400 mV	Minimum peak-to-peak burst amplitu	-NA-	2119.8 - Passed	
		240 mV	Minimum peak-to-peak burst amplitu	-NA-	364 - Passed	
		240 mV	Minimum peak-to-peak burst amplitu	-NA-	40.2 - Passed	
Test 5.1.4 - TX OOB Offset Delta	Completed Test 5.1.4 - TX OOB Offs	25 mV	-3.09832	-NA-	28.0983 - Passed	✓ Pass
Test 5.1.5 - TX OOB Common Mode	Completed Test 5.1.5 - TX OOB Com	50 mV	-3.47364	-NA-	53.4736 - Passed	✓ Pass
Test 5.2.1 - TX SSC Modulation Type	Completed Test 5.2.1 - TX SSC Mod	-	Down-spread SATA	-	-	✓ Pass
Test 5.2.2 - TX SSC Modulation Freq	Completed Test 5.2.2 - TX SSC Mod	30 KHz	Modulation frequency: 30	33 KHz	0 , 3 - Failed	✗ Fail
			Min Modulation frequency: 29.9976		Informative	
			Max Modulation frequency: 30.0017		Informative	
Test 5.2.3 - TX SSC Modulation Devi	Completed Test 5.2.3 - TX SSC Mod	-5000 ppm	Max deviation: -2200.53	0 ppm	Informative	✗ Fail
		-5000 ppm	Min deviation: -0.4482	0 ppm	Informative	
Test 5.2.4 - TX SSC DFDT (Informati	Completed Test 5.2.4 - TX SSC DFD	-5350 ppm/us	-327.7502	350 ppm/us	5022.2498, 677.7502 - Passed	✓ Pass

- Test Results are detailed in the analysis panel, showing measurement results, user or standard specified test limits and high and low margin values.
- The Pass/Fail criteria defaults to the SAS Standards limits, however users can relax or make them more stringent if needed.

Advanced Noise Decomposition and Jitter Analysis

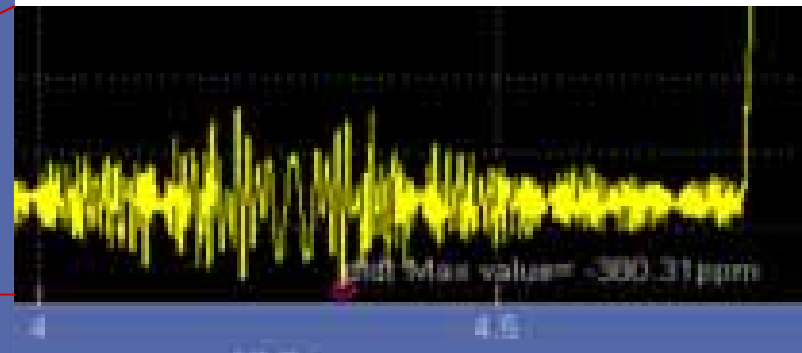
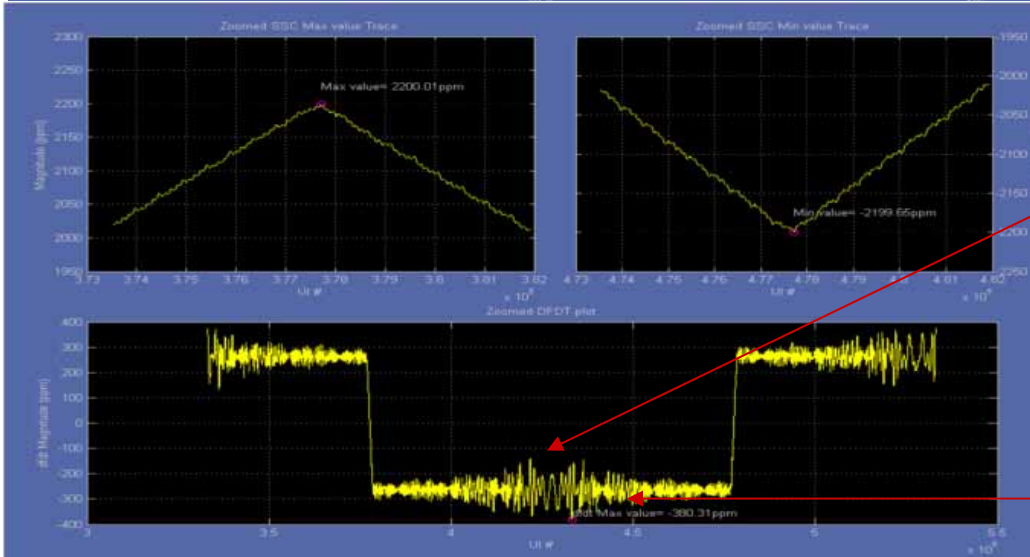


SAS/SATA SSC Analysis



- Advanced tools required to provide detailed insights into SSC modulation problems and to automatically identify and zoom in on problem areas

- In this example, the regions of maximum and minimum modulation as well as the dF/dT absolute maximum are magnified and presented for scrutiny



SAS: Comprehensive Report: 29 fully automated tests

Test Name	Test Details			Low Limit	Measured Value	High Limit	Margin	Units	Test Result
	Pattern Name	Interface Speed	Measurement Details						
Test 5.2.1-TX SSC Modulation Type	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Center-spread SAS	-NA-	SSC ON	-NA-	-NA-	-NA-	Pass
Test 5.2.2-TX SSC Modulation Frequency	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	SSC Modulation Frequency	>= 30	30.0000	<= 33	0 , 3	KHz	Pass
	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Min SSC Modulation Frequency	>= 30	29.9992	<= 33	Informative		Informative
	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Max SSC Modulation Frequency	>= 30	30.0011	<= 33	Informative		Informative
Test 5.2.3-TX SSC Modulation Deviation and Balance	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Max Deviation	-NA-	-2199.6500	-NA-	-NA-	ppm	Informative
	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Min Deviation	-NA-	2200.0074	-NA-	-NA-		Informative
	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Avg Deviation	>= -350	0.1787	<= 350	350.1787, 349.8213		Pass
	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Deviation asymmetry	-	0.3574	<= 288	287.6426		Pass
Test 5.2.4-TX SSC DFDT (Informative)	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	df/dt	>= -850	-380.3082	<= 850	Informative	ppm/us	Informative
Test 5.3.1-TX Physical Link Rate Long Term Stability	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Mean Period	> -100	-2.1050	< 100	Informative	ppm	Informative
	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Min Period	> -100	2200.0074	< 100	Informative		Informative
	HFTP	6.0Gb/s	Max Period	> -100	-2199.6501	< 100	Informative		Informative
Test 5.3.2-TX Common Mode RMS Voltage Limit	CJTPat-Gen 2	6.0Gb/s	Common-mode RMS voltage at IT (mV)-SAS 2.0	-	42.9927	< 30	12.9927	mV	Fail
Test 5.3.3-TX Common Mode Spectrum	CJTPat-Gen 2	6.0Gb/s	Common-mode spectrum (dBmV) at 100MHz-SAS 2.0	-	-33.5589	< 12.7	46.2589	mV	Pass
	CJTPat-Gen 2	6.0Gb/s	Common-mode spectrum (dBmV) at first harmonic-SAS 2.0	-	16.7701	< 26	9.2299		Pass
	CJTPat-Gen 2	6.0Gb/s	Common-mode spectrum (dBmV) at second harmonic-SAS 2.0	-	-9.8586	< 30	39.8586		Pass
Test 5.3.4-TX Peak-to-Peak Voltage	D30.3-Gen 2	6.0Gb/s	Peak to Peak voltage (mVppd)-SAS 2.0	> 850	1240.0000	< 1200	390 , 40	mV	Fail
Test 5.3.5-TX VMA and EQ	D30.3-Gen 2	6.0Gb/s	Transmitter equalization (dB)-SAS 2.0	> 2	2.0684	< 4	Informative	dB	Pass
Test 5.3.6-TX Rise and Fall Times	D10.2	6.0 Gb/s	Rise time in ps	>= 41.6	55.7616	-	14.1616	ps	Pass
	D10.2	6.0 Gb/s	Fall time in ps	>= 41.6	55.3999	-	13.7999		Pass
Test 5.3.7-TX Random Jitter (RJ)	D24.3-Gen 2	6.0Gb/s	Rj before CIC	-	0.7069	<= 25	24.2931	ps	Pass
	D24.3-Gen 2	6.0Gb/s	Rj after CIC	-	0.5321	<= 25	24.4679		Pass

SATA Physical Layer Testing



It's the measurements ..

SATA UTD 1.4 Test Requirements

Phy Transmit Signal Requirements	SI General Requirements
TSG-01 : Differential Output Voltage	SI-1:8 : Cable Characterization
TSG-02 : Rise/Fall Time	SI-09 : Inter-Symbol Interference
TSG-03 : Differential Skew	Phy General Requirements
TSG-04 : AC Common Mode Voltage	PHY-01 : Unit Interval
TSG-05 : Rise/Fall Imbalance	PHY-02 : Frequency Long Term Stability
TSG-06 : Amplitude Imbalance	PHY-03 : Spread-Spectrum Modulation Frequency
TSG-07 : Gen1 (1.5Gb/s) TJ at Connector, Clock to Data, fBAUD/10	PHY-04 : Spread-Spectrum Modulation Deviation
TSG-08: Gen1 (1.5Gb/s) DJ at Connector, Clock to Data, fBAUD/10	Phy OOB Requirements
TSG-09 : Gen1 (1.5Gb/s) TJ at Connector, Clock to Data, fBAUD/500	OOB-01 : OOB Signal Detection Threshold
TSG-10 : Gen1 (1.5Gb/s) DJ at Connector, Clock to Data, fBAUD/500	OOB-02 : UI During OOB Signaling
TSG-11 : Gen2 (3Gb/s) TJ at Connector, Clock to Data, fBAUD/500	OOB-03 : COMINIT/RESET and COMWAKE Transmit Burst Length
TSG-12 : Gen2 (3Gb/s) DJ at Connector, Clock to Data, fBAUD/500	OOB-04 : COMINIT/RESET Transmit Gap Length
TSG-13: Gen3 (6Gb/s) Transmit Jitter w/wo CIC	OOB-05 : COMWAKE Transmit Gap Length
TSG-14 : Gen3 (6Gb/s)TX Maximum Differential Voltage Amplitude	Phy Receiver/Transmitter Channel Reqs
TSG-15 : Gen3 (6Gb/s) TX Minimum Differential Voltage Amplitude	RX/TX-01 : Pair Differential Impedance
TSG-16 : Gen3 (6Gb/s) Tx AC Common Mode Voltage	RX/TX-02 : Single-Ended Impedance (Obsolete)
Phy Receive Signal Requirement	RX/TX-03 : Gen2 (3Gb/s) Differential Mode Return Loss
RSG-01 : Gen1 (1.5Gb/s) Receiver Jitter Tolerance Test (Normative)	RX/TX-04 : Gen2 (3Gb/s) Common Mode Return Loss
RSG-02 : Gen2 (3Gb/s) Receiver Jitter Tolerance Test (Normative)	RX/TX-05 : Gen2 (3Gb/s) Impedance Balance
RSG-03 : Gen3 (6Gb/s) Receiver Jitter Tolerance Test	RX/TX-06 : Gen1 (1.5Gb/s) Differential Mode Return Loss
RSG-05 : Gen1 Asynchronous Receiver Stress Test at +350ppm	RX/TX-07 : Gen3 (6Gb/s) Differential Mode Return Loss
RSG-06 : Gen1 Asynchronous Receiver Stress Test With SSC	RX/TX-08 : Gen3 (6Gb/s) Impedance Balance

SATA Measurement Legends:

No change from previous UTD 1.3 spec version

Revised methodology from UTD1.3 to UTD 1.4

New test definitions in UTD 1.4

Obsolete

SATA UTD 1.4 TSG/PHY/OOB Measurements

Drive : PHY-TSG-OOB SATA Gen 3-UTD 1.4-All

Select	Test Name
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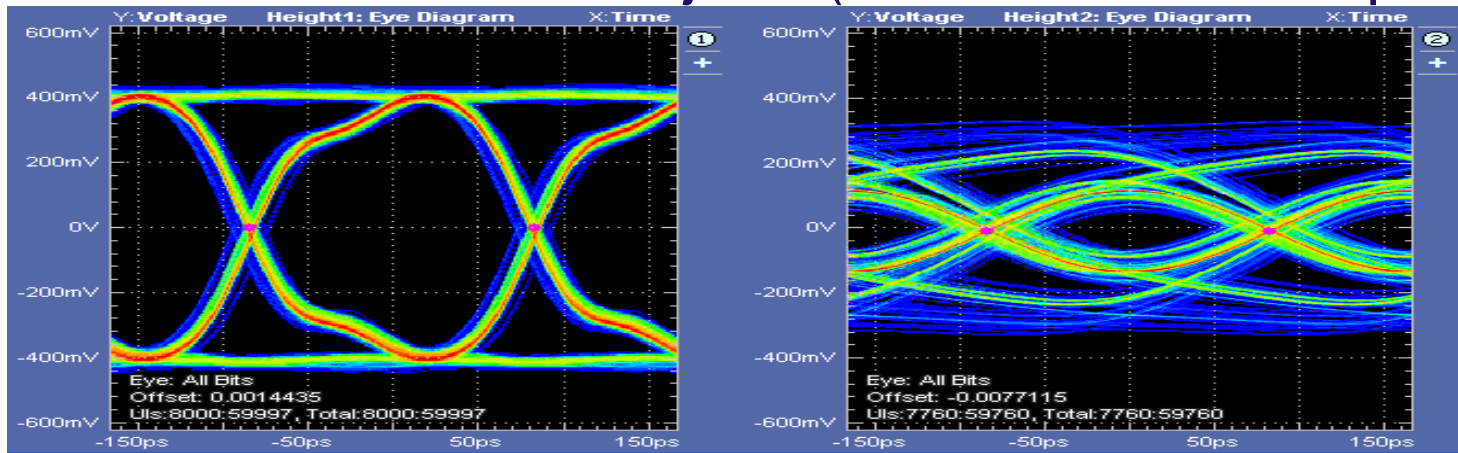
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- SATA Gen 2-UTD 1.2
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- SATA Gen 2-UTD 1.4
- SATA Gen 2-UTD 1.4-All
- SATA Gen 3-UTD 1.4
- SATA Gen 3-UTD 1.4-All

Different Test program and degrees of regression testing now user selectable. UTD 1.2 and 1.3 tests use JIT3 and run on TDS and DPO class instruments. UTD 1.4 tests (Gen3) only operate on DPOJET.

Debug and Diagnostic tools (Informative measurements)

New SATA Gen3 measurements

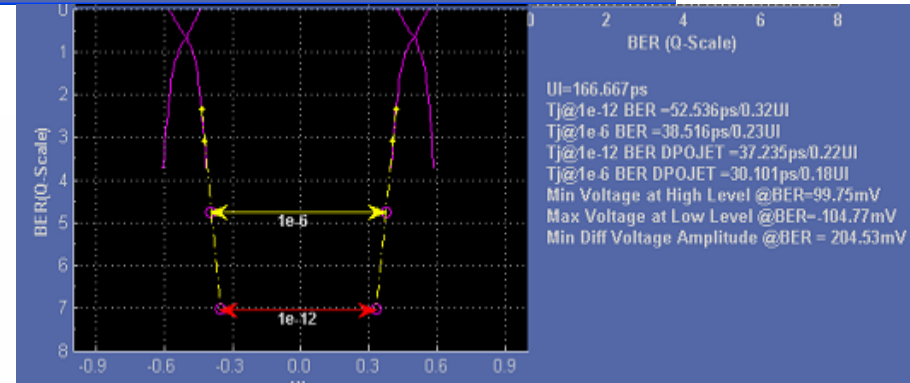
TSG-13 Gen3i Transmitter jitter (Now ECN 39 Compliant)



The following scope set-ups are used in this test.

- RJ for 6Gb/s: SATA_TSG13_RJ_G3.set
- TJ for 6Gb/s: SATA_TSG13_TJ_G3.set
- TJ with CIC for 6Gb/s: SATA_TSG13_TJ_Flt_G3.set

Test pattern(s): MFTP, LBP, HFTP, LFTP	SATA usage model: 6.0 Gbps
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SATA 6Gbps: 10 us/div, 20 ps/pt (>100,000 UI).

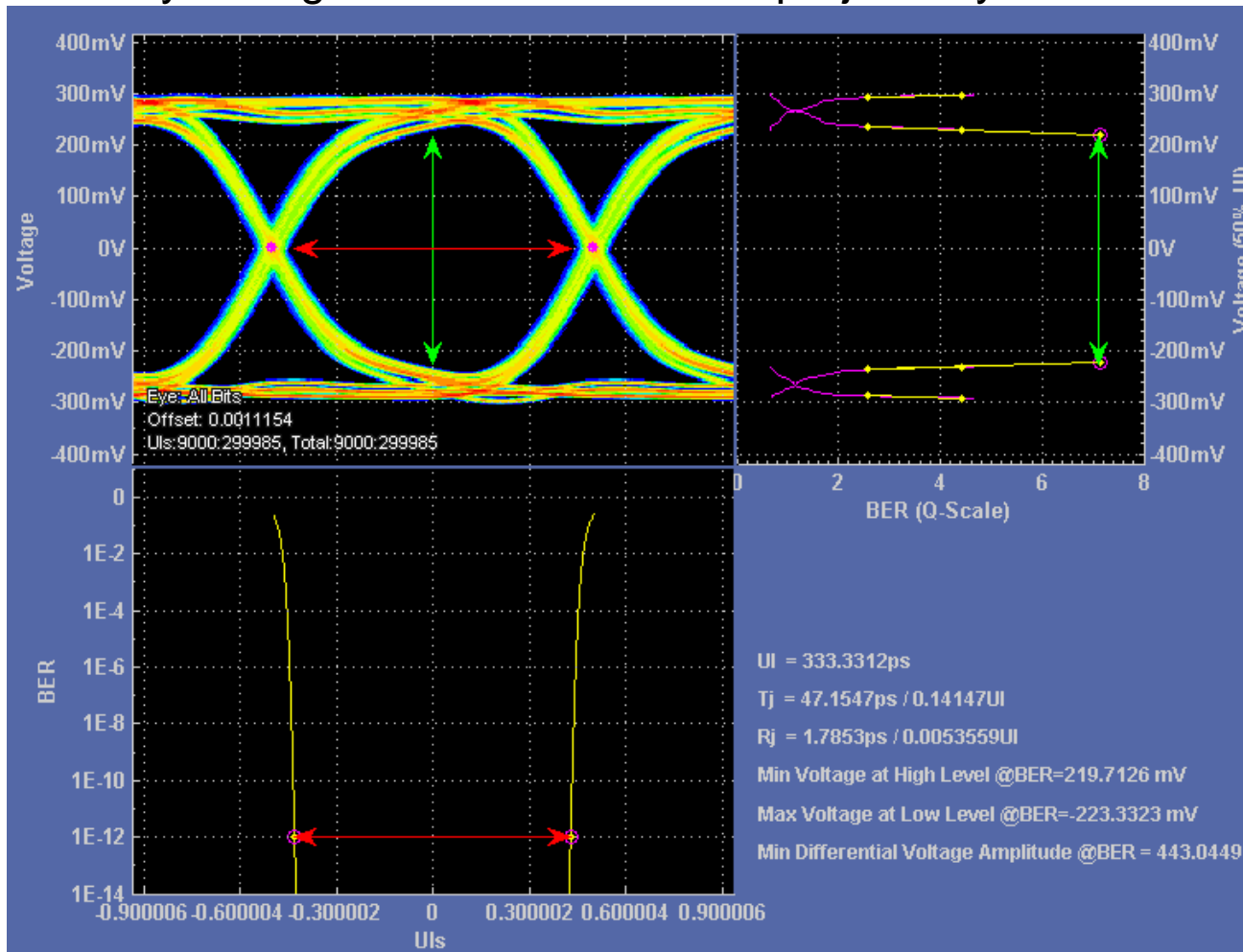
Horizontal resolution will vary depending on the data rate and oscilloscope model

Observable Results:

- RJ measured (RJmeas) at a maximum of 0.18 UI into a Laboratory Load before the Compliance Interconnect Channel (CIC) when measured using the specified JTF for products running at 6.0 Gb/s
- TJ measured at a maximum of (RJmeas) + 0.34 UI into a Laboratory Load before the CIC when measured using the specified JTF (for products running at 6.0 Gb/s)

TSG-15 Tx Minimum Differential Amplitude @ BER

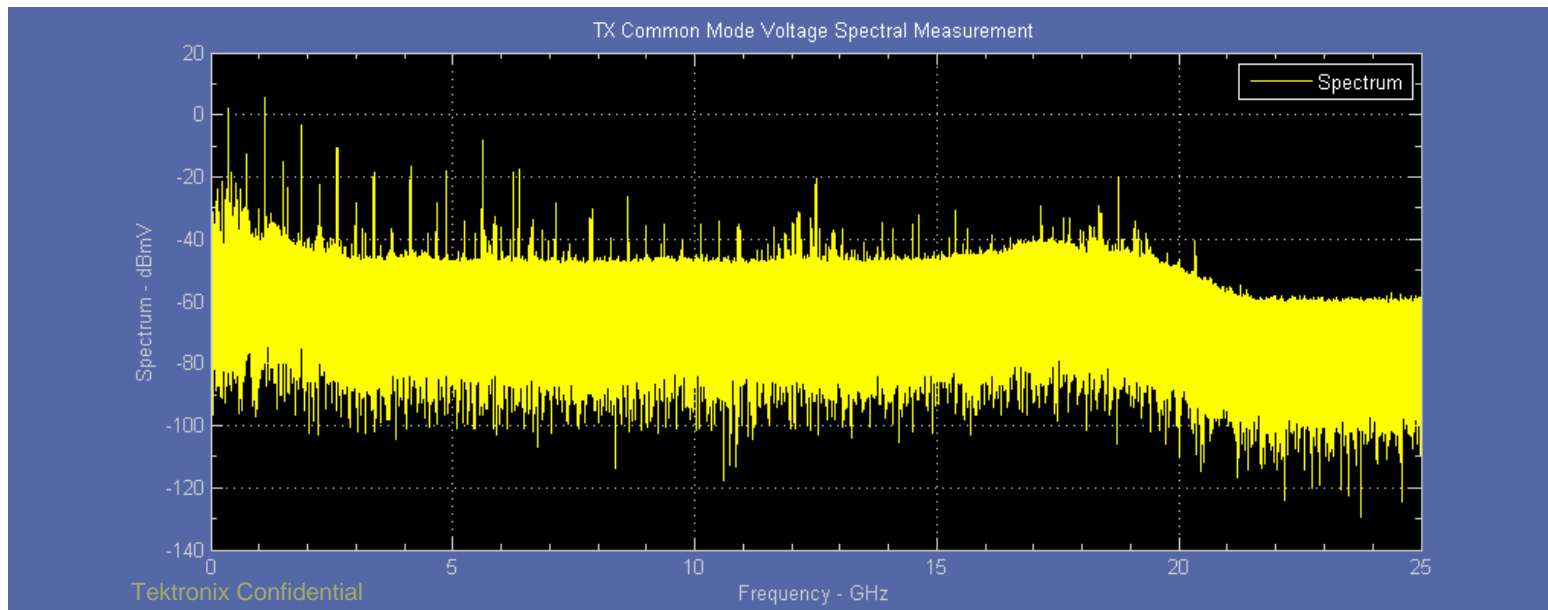
- One of the most significant advancements in SATA PHY testing for Gen3 is the new minimum amplitude technique
- Analyzes signal noise content and projects eye closure down to $10E-12$ BER.



Goal of this measurement is the horizontal bathtub curve. This is similar to the WDP measurement in SAS

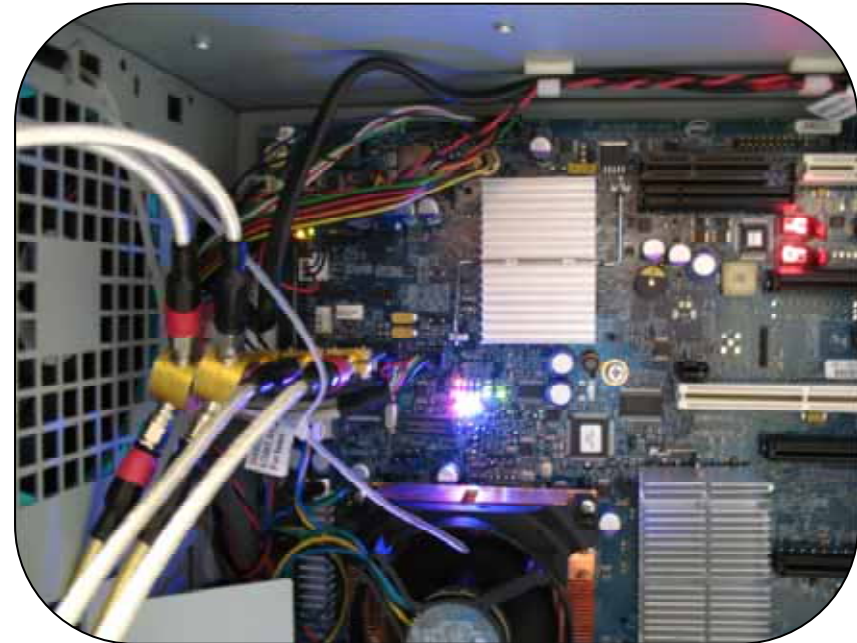
TSG-16 Tx AC Common Mode Signal Analysis

- 1st/2nd harmonics provide insight into common mode and time domain waveform asymmetry problems which results in EMI problems.
- Real-time waveform capture is absolutely vital if SSC is present. The constant movement of the spectral peaks and the determination of a nominal period cannot be performed on any other system.
- Spectral peaks are constantly moving
- Continuous multi-cycle analysis



SATA: Receiver Signaling Group (RSG) Tests

- The jitter composition for receiver testing is a precise mix of Random, Sinusoidal and Pattern Jitter.
- Additionally, the signal amplitude is lowered to the spec limit, and under these conditions a receiver is required to operate for 10, 5, and 2.5 minutes error free (for Gen1, 2, and 3 resp.)
- Sinusoidal (Sj) jitter frequencies
 - 5, 10, 33, 62 and recently piloted 123MHz
- Why these frequencies?
 - High 62 and 33 MHz noise levels inside PC's known to create PLL peaking phenomenon at 5 and 10MHz, 123MHz is a high noise spectral location in PC architectures.
- SATA specifications require the error detection be made at a frame level



RSG/RMT testing with TekExpress

7.4.1.2 Frame Error Rate Measurements

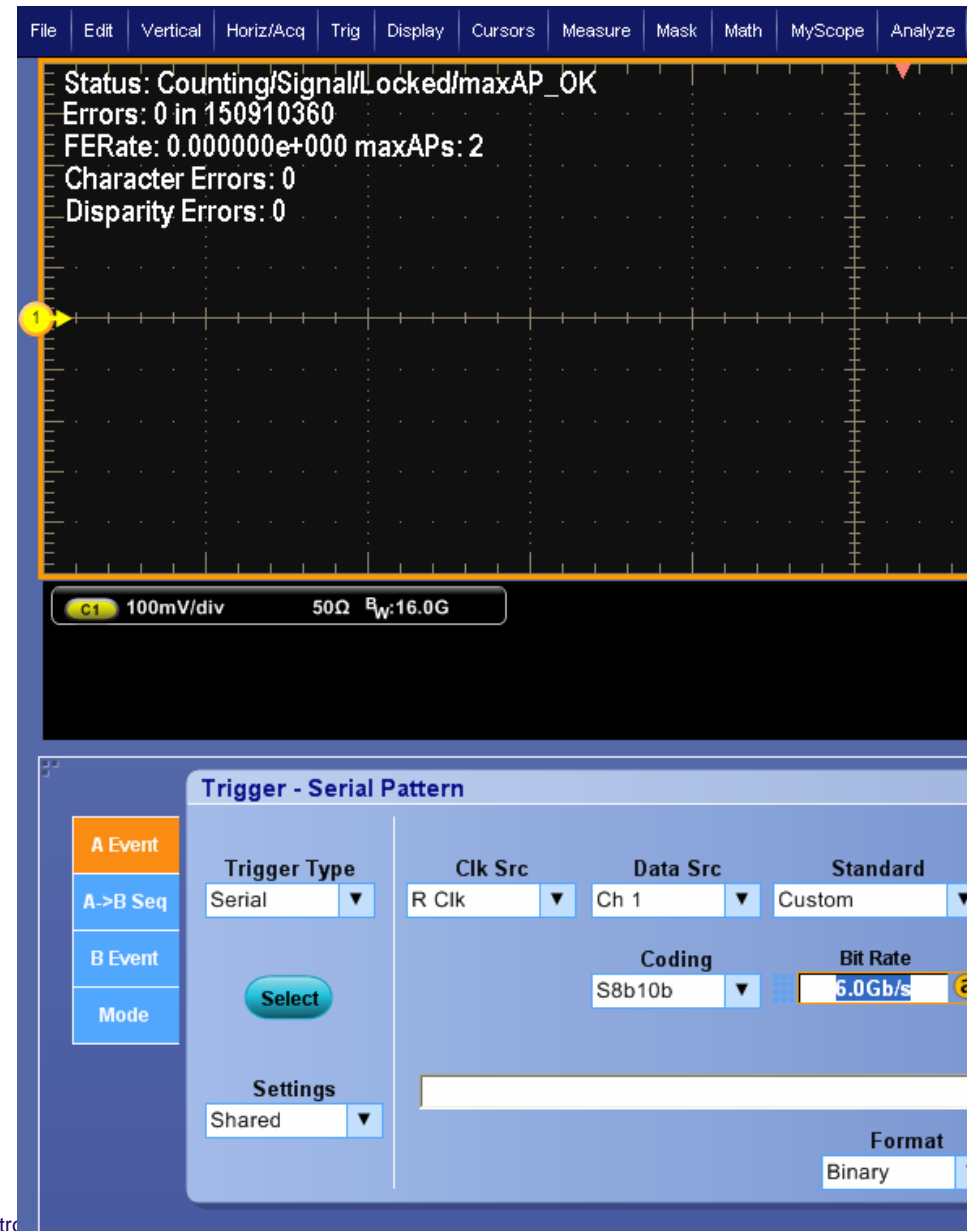
The Frame Error Rate (FER) shall be measured and computed to be no greater than 8.200×10^{-8} at a 95% confidence level when tested with any given 8b/10b pattern, including the Frame Error Rate reference patterns cited in section 7.4.1.1. The Serial ATA CRC error detection mechanism is used to measure FER.

The Frame Error Rate is calculated based on the maximum size of a Data FIS, plus overhead for the FIS header and CRC Dwords. The Frame Error Rate assumes a target bit error rate of 10^{-12} .

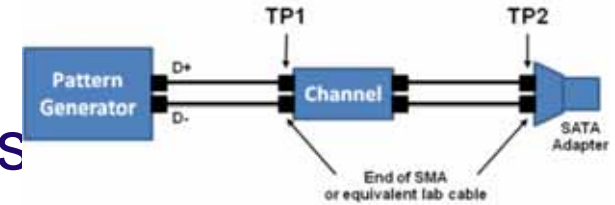
$$FER = (8192 + 8) \times 10 \times 10^{-12} = 8.200 \times 10^{-8}$$

Integrated Instrument BERT

- Tektronix DPO/DSA/MSO 72004B/71604B/71254B Oscilloscopes offer a variable rate **F**rame **E**rror and **B**it **E**rror **D**etector integrated into the base instrument trigger system which can operate from 1.5G to 6.25G. This is an instrument setup used in conjunction with the High Speed Serial Trigger (STU) option.
- Released to SATA-IO in Tek RSG MOI on January 15, 2010. Certified by SATA-IO on April 8 2010.



SATA Receiver Test Jitter Specifications



Step	Test Point	Calibration Pattern	Method	Gen1i	Gen1m	Gen2i	Gen2m	Gen3
Rise/ Fall Time	TP1	LFTP	Section 7.4.4 in SATA 3.0 Specification	100 ps (20/80%)		100 ps (20/80%)		62 ps to 75 ps (20/80%)
Rj	TP1	MFTP	Section 7.4.12 of SATA 3.0 Specification, Rj method also applied to Gen1i/m and Gen2i/m	8.57 ps RMS (1 sigma for a 7 sigma 0.18 UI projection)		4.285 ps RMS (1 sigma for a 7 sigma 0.18 UI projection)		2.14 ps RMS (1 sigma for a 7 sigma 0.18 UI projection)
Sj	TP1	MFTP	Using Rj method defined in section 7.4.12 of SATA 3.0 Specification for all data rates	Sj=270mUI		Sj=270mUI		Sj=192mUI
Tj	TP2	Framed COMP with 2 Aligns and new LBP section	See UTD section 2.17.1.1	Tj(min)=501mUI Tj(max)=519mUI Using a channel that introduces 40 ps ± 6ps (i.e. min 34ps and max 46ps) of ISI in the given setup		Tj(min)=552mUI Tj(max)=588mUI Using a channel that introduces 40 ps ± 6ps (i.e. min 34ps and max 46ps) of ISI in the given setup		Tj(min)=498mUI Tj(max)=570 mUI Using a CIC that introduces a min 21ps and max 33ps of ISI in the given setup and that follows the definition in section 7.2.7 of SATA 3.0 Specification
Amplitude	TP2	Framed COMP with 2 Aligns and new LBP section	For this test the amplitude distribution will be either measured or projected to a 1E-12 BER contour at the 50% location of the bit interval using previously calibrated edge rates and jitter. It is required to ensure that the maximum allowed voltage is not exceeded. Sections 7.4.3 and 7.4.12 of SATA 3.0 Specification	325 mV	240 mV	275 mV	240 mV	240 mV

SerialXpress™ for Serial ATA Pattern Generation

The screenshot displays the SerialXpress software interface, divided into two main panels. The left panel is titled 'Base Pattern' and contains three sections: 'Periodic Jitter (Pk-Pk)', 'Random Jitter (RMS)', and 'SSC'. The 'Periodic Jitter' section includes four sine wave options (Sine1-Sine4) with fields for Magnitude, Frequency (Hz), and Phase (°). The 'Random Jitter' section includes two options (Rj1, Rj2) with fields for Magnitude and Frequency-Low (Hz). The 'SSC' section includes options for Shape, Spread, Unequal Spread, df/dt, Noise, and Pre/De-emphasis. The right panel is titled 'Channel/Cable' and includes options for ISI (Inter-Symbol Interference) and S-Parameter Filter. The ISI section has a radio button for 'ISI' and a field for its magnitude. The S-Parameter Filter section has a radio button for 'S-Parameter Filter' and fields for 'Read from File' and 'Inverse Filter'. The ISI Scaling section has a field for the scaling factor. The Touchstone 4-Port Data Type section has radio buttons for 'Single-ended' and 'Differential'. The Touchstone 4-Port Layout section has radio buttons for 'DC12 (most common)', 'CD12', '12DC', and '12CD'. A matrix of S-parameters is displayed for the selected layout.

Periodic Jitter (Pk-Pk)

	Magnitude:	Frequency (Hz):	Phase (°):
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sine1:	0.100	10.000000 M	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Sine2:	0.070	33.000000 M	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sine3:	0.000	10.000000 M	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sine4:	0.000	10.000000 M	

Random Jitter (RMS)

	Magnitude:	Frequency-Low (Hz):
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rj1:	0.010	100.000 K
<input type="checkbox"/> Rj2:	0.000	100.000 K

SSC

Shape: Triangle
 Spread: Down
 Unequal Spread: 0.00 %
 df/dt: 0.000 ppm/μs
 Noise: 0.000 Volt (RMS) Add Noise
 Pre/De-emphasis: 4.000 dB

ISI: 0.100 UI

S-Parameter Filter:

Read from File: C:\Program Files\Tektronix\SerialXpress\Samples\ToI Browse...
 Inverse Filter: Browse...
 ISI Scaling: 1.000

Touchstone 4-Port Data Type

Single-ended Differential

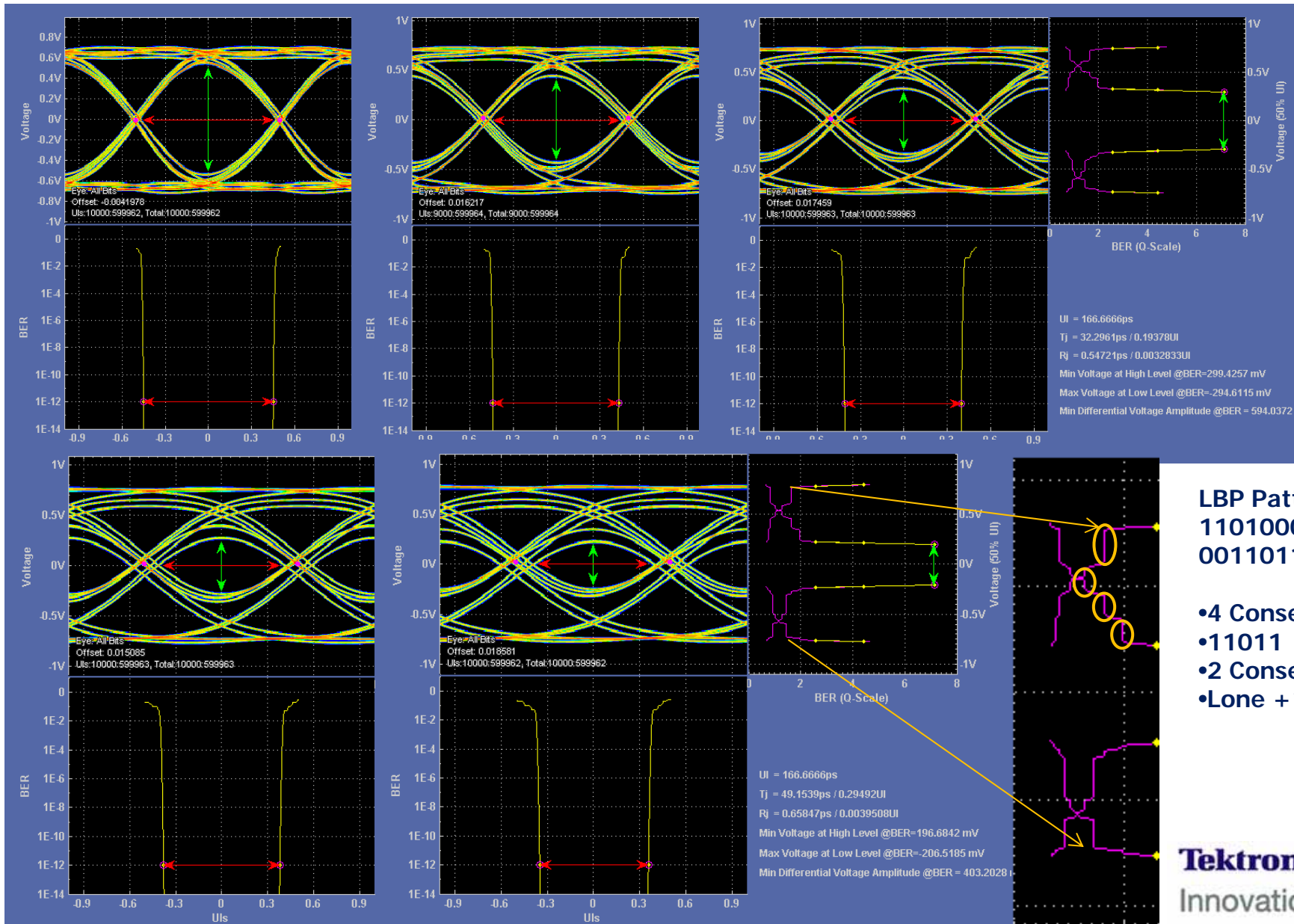
Touchstone 4-Port Layout

DC12 (most common) CD12 12DC 12CD

$$\begin{bmatrix} S_{dd11} & S_{dd12} & S_{dc11} & S_{dc12} \\ S_{dd21} & S_{dd22} & S_{dc21} & S_{dc22} \\ \hline S_{cd11} & S_{cd12} & S_{cc11} & S_{cc12} \\ S_{cd21} & S_{cd22} & S_{cc21} & S_{cc22} \end{bmatrix}$$

Eye Waveform Synthesis Fidelity

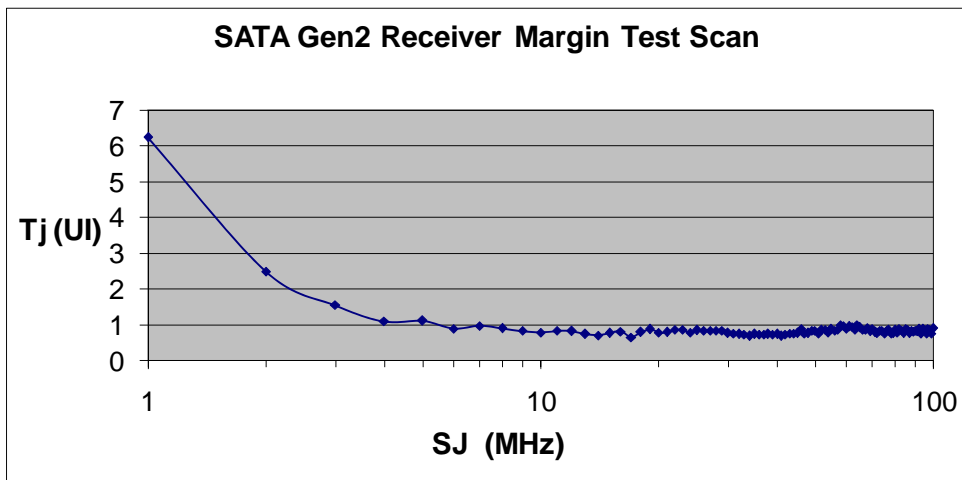
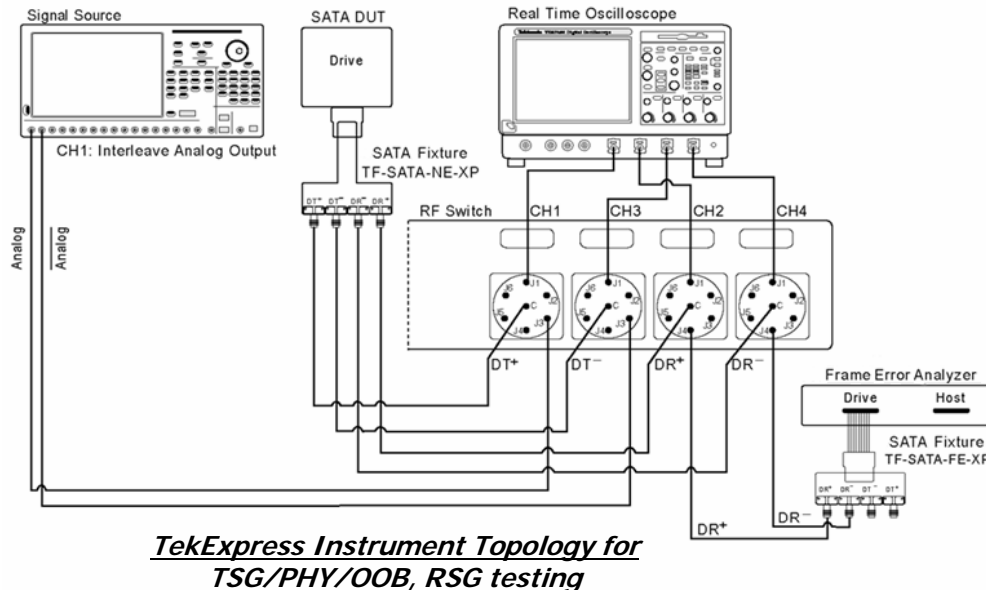
Progressive Impairment of a SATA Gen3 (6Gb/s) Lone Bit Pattern



LBP Pattern:
1101000010
0011011011

- 4 Consecutive 1
- 11011
- 2 Consecutive 1
- Lone + 1 bit

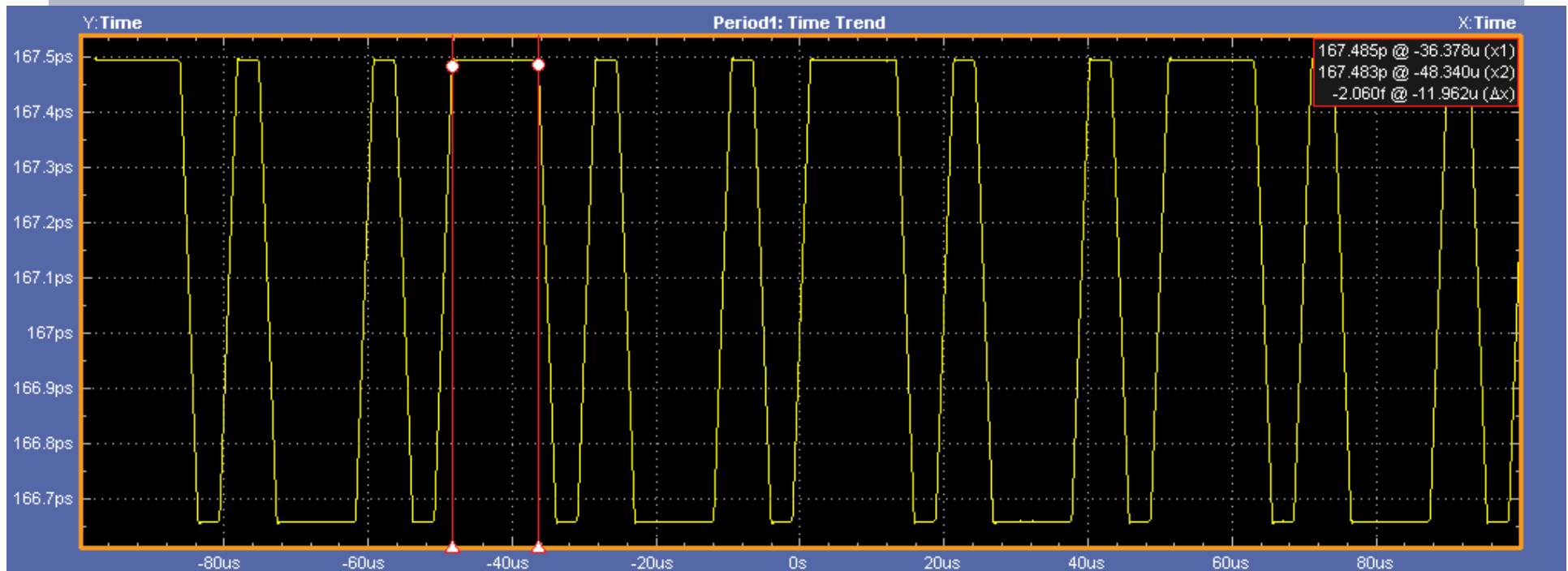
Serial ATA Revision 3.0 Receiver Testing



- Leading portfolio of Tektronix test instruments
 - Oscilloscopes with advanced jitter and link analysis software
 - Signal generators with stressed pattern generation software
- Tektronix Arbitrary Waveform Generator (6 Gb/s AWG)
 - Integrated DUT state control for disconnect-free solution
 - Digital Synthesis of CIC receiver ISI components with variable control.
 - Simplified SSC generation of complex dF/dT impairments or other modulation modeling needs
 - High Sinusoidal Jitter generation ability (0-100+UI, from **DC to Nyquist!**)
- PHY Receive Signal Requirements
 - **RSG-01:** Gen1(1.5 Gb/s) Receiver Jitter Tolerance Test (Normative)
 - **RSG-02:** Gen2(3.0 Gb/s) Receiver Jitter Tolerance Test (Normative)
 - **RSG-03:** Gen3(6.0 Gb/s) Receiver Jitter Tolerance Test (Informative)
 - **RSG-05:** Asynchronous Receiver Stress Test at +350 ppm (Informative)

Serial ATA Logo test futures

- dFdT (Phase modulation slew rate) has been approved in SATA through TP-03 for Tx testing. A reciprocal test for the Receiver is currently being piloted at the SATA IW#8 event in April 2010.
- The Tektronix AWG with its digital waveform synthesis capability is leading the field of advanced modulation analysis. These tests expand the scope of conventional Receiver testing, while providing many insights into capabilities of the Phy's tracking architectures and how well it's tuned for operating in a system environment where SSC noise and modulation issues can be significant.



Complete Tektronix SATA/SAS Portfolio

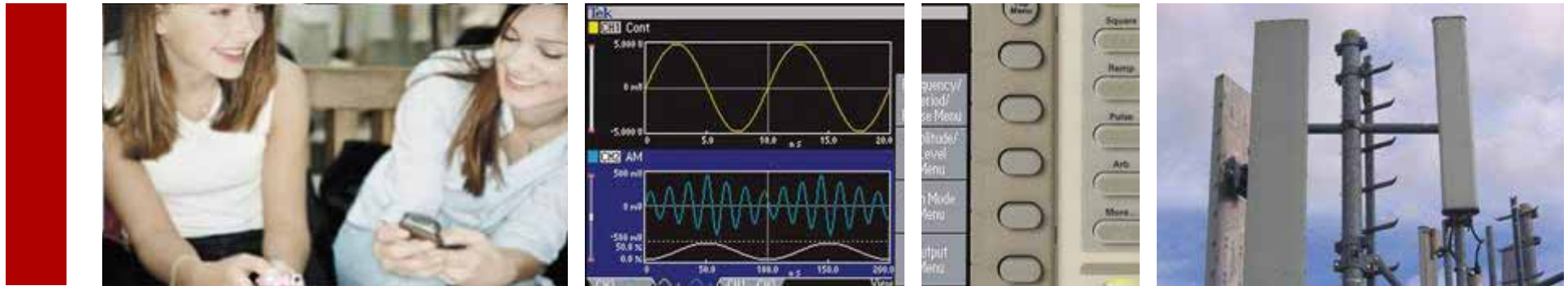
TekExpress Software	<u>Comprehensive</u> System level Gen1-3 Instrument Automation	
<p>RSG/RMT Tests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RSG/RMT- Receiver jitter and amplitude sensitivity compliance and margin test. 	<p>AWG7122B with Opt.1, 6 and 8 SerialXpress Digital Signal Generation</p>	
<p>Rx/Tx Channel Tests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rx/Tx - Device and Host electrical channel performance, Impedance and return loss 	<p>DSA8200 80E08 TDR Sampling Module for DSA8200 Sampling Scope S-Parameter Analysis Software 80SICON Software for DSA8200</p>	
<p>SI Cable Tests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SI - Cable crosstalk, skew and frequency domain measurements, sdd21, sdd11. 	<p>DSA8200 80E08 TDR Sampling Module for DSA8200 Sampling Scope</p>	
<p>PHY, TSG, and OOB Tests</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHY – Signal timing stability and SSC analysis. TSG – Transmitter AC parametric, Jitter, Amplitude. OOB- Out Of Band signal validation 	<p>DSA72004B DPOJET Jitter Analysis software SMA Adapters TCA-SMA 2 per scope Differential SMA Probe P7313SMA (optional)</p>	

Resources

- What equipment do I need to test SATA and SAS?
 - **SATA:**
www.tek.com/applications/serial_data/sata/sata_tests.html
 - **SAS:**
www.tek.com/applications/serial_data/sas/recommended_equipment.html
- How can I learn more about SATA/SAS testing?
 - **Tektronix SATA Knowledge Center:**
www.tektronix.com/SATA
 - **Tektronix SAS Knowledge Center:**
www.tektronix.com/SAS
 - **SATA International Organization:**
www.serialata.org
 - **SCSI Trade Association:**
www.scsita.org
 - **T10 Technical Committee:**
www.t10.org
 - **University of New Hampshire Interoperability Lab:**
www.iol.unh.edu/services/testing/sas



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