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1. Abstract

This document uses the service attributes and parameters that are defined in the MEF Technical Specification "Ethernet Services Attributes Phase 2" [2] and applies them to create different Ethernet services. This document defines three generic service constructs called Ethernet Service types and specifies their associated service attributes and parameters used to create Point-to-Point, Multipoint-to-Multipoint, and Rooted-Multipoint Ethernet services. This document also defines the requirements for several Ethernet services that use these generic Ethernet Service types. In addition, an informative appendix is provided showing examples of some of the defined services. This document supersedes and replaces MEF 6, Ethernet Services Definitions - Phase 1 [1].

2. Terminology

This section defines the terms used in this document. In many cases, the normative definitions to terms are found in other documents. In these cases, the third column is used to provide the reference that is controlling.

| Term | Definition | Reference |
|------------------------------|---|-----------|
| All to One Bundling | A UNI attribute in which all CE-VLAN IDs are associated with a single EVC. | [2] |
| Availability Performance | A measure of the percentage of time that a service is useable. | [2] |
| Bandwidth Profile | A characterization of Service Frame arrival times and lengths at a reference point and a specification of the disposition of each Service Frame based on its level of compliance with the Bandwidth Profile. In this document the reference point is the UNI. | [2] |
| Bandwidth profile per CoS ID | A bandwidth profile applied on a per-Class of Service basis. | [2] |
| Bandwidth profile per EVC | A bandwidth profile applied on a per-EVC basis. | [2] |
| Bandwidth profile per UNI | A bandwidth profile applied on a per-UNI basis. | [2] |
| Broadcast Service Frame | A Service Frame that has the broadcast destination MAC address. | [2] |
| Bundling | A UNI attribute in which more than one CE-VLAN ID can be associated with an EVC. | [2] |
| CBS | Committed Burst Size | [2] |
| CE | Customer Edge | [2] |
| CE-VLAN CoS | Customer Edge VLAN CoS | [2] |

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| Term | Definition | Reference |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------|
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | An EVC attribute in which the CE-VLAN CoS of an egress Service Frame is identical in value to the CE-VLAN CoS of the corresponding ingress Service Frame. | [2] |
| CE-VLAN ID | Customer Edge VLAN ID | [2] |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | An EVC attribute in which the CE-VLAN ID of an egress Service Frame is identical in value to the CE-VLAN ID of the corresponding ingress Service Frame. | [2] |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | An association of CE-VLAN IDs with EVCs at a UNI. | [2] |
| CE-VLAN Tag | Customer Edge VLAN Tag | [2] |
| CF | Coupling Flag | [2] |
| CIR | Committed Information Rate | [2] |
| Class of Service | A set of Service Frames that have a commitment from the Service Provider to receive a particular level of performance. | [2] |
| Class of Service Identifier | An indicator for a particular CoS instance. Information derivable from a) the EVC to which the Service Frame is mapped, b) the combination of the EVC to which the Service Frame is mapped and a set of one or more than one CE-VLAN CoS values, c) the combination of the EVC to which the Service Frame is mapped and a set of one or more than one DSCP values, or d) the combination of the EVC to which the Service Frame is mapped and a set of one or more than one tunneled Layer 2 Control Protocols. | [2] |
| CM | Color Mode | [2] |
| Color Mode | CM is a Bandwidth Profile parameter. The Color Mode parameter indicates whether the color-aware or color-blind property is employed by the Bandwidth Profile. It takes a value of "color-blind" or "color-aware" only. | [2] |
| Color-aware | A Bandwidth Profile property where a pre-determined level of Bandwidth Profile compliance for each Service Frame is taken into account when determining the level of compliance for each Service Frame. | [2] |
| Color-blind | A Bandwidth Profile property where a pre-determined level of Bandwidth Profile compliance for each Service Frame, if present, is ignored when determining the level of compliance for each Service Frame. | [2] |
| Committed Burst Size | CBS is a Bandwidth Profile parameter. It limits the maximum number of bytes available for a burst of Service Frames sent at the UNI speed to remain CIR-conformant. | [2] |

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| Term | Definition | Reference |
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| Committed Information Rate | CIR is a Bandwidth Profile parameter. It defines the average rate in bits/s of Service Frames up to which the network delivers Service Frames and is committed to meeting the performance objectives defined by the CoS Service Attribute. | [2] |
| CoS | Class of Service | [2] |
| Coupling Flag | CF is a Bandwidth Profile parameter. The Coupling Flag allows the choice between two modes of operation of the rate enforcement algorithm. It takes a value of 0 or 1 only. | [2] |
| Customer Edge | Equipment on the Subscriber side of the UNI. | [2] |
| Customer Edge VLAN CoS | The Priority Code Point bits in the IEEE 802.1Q Customer VLAN Tag in a Service Frame that is either tagged or priority tagged. | [2] |
| Customer Edge VLAN ID | The identifier derivable from the content of a Service Frame that allows the Service Frame to be associated with an EVC at the UNI. | [2] |
| Customer Edge VLAN Tag | The IEEE 802.1Q Customer VLAN Tag in a tagged Service Frame. | [2] |
| EBS | Excess Burst Size | [2] |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile | A service attribute that specifies the length and arrival time characteristics of egress Service Frames at the egress UNI. | [2] |
| Egress Service Frame | A Service Frame sent from the Service Provider network to the CE. | [2] |
| EIR | Excess Information Rate | [2] |
| E-LAN Service | An Ethernet service type that is based on a Multipoint-to-Multipoint EVC. | This Document |
| E-Line Service | An Ethernet service type that is based on a Point-to-Point EVC. | This Document |
| EPL | Ethernet Private Line | This Document |
| E-Tree Service | An Ethernet service type that is based on a Rooted-Multipoint EVC. | This Document |
| Ethernet Virtual Connection | An association of two or more UNIs that limits the exchange of Service Frames to UNIs in the Ethernet Virtual Connection. | [2] |
| EVC | Ethernet Virtual Connection | [2] |
| EVC MTU Size | The maximum sized Service Frame allowed for an EVC. | [2] |
| EVPL | Ethernet Virtual Private Line | This Document |

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| Term | Definition | Reference |
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| Excess Burst Size | EBS is a Bandwidth Profile parameter. It limits the maximum number of bytes available for a burst of Service Frames sent at the UNI speed to remain EIR-conformant. | [2] |
| Excess Information Rate | EIR is a Bandwidth Profile parameter. It defines the average rate in bits/s of Service Frames up to which the network may deliver Service Frames but without any performance objectives. | [2] |
| FDX | Full Duplex | [5] |
| FD | Frame Delay | [2] |
| FDV | Frame Delay Variation | [2] |
| FLR | Frame Loss Ratio | [2] |
| Frame | Short for Ethernet Frame | [2] |
| Frame Delay | The time required to transmit a Service Frame from ingress UNI to egress UNI. | [2] |
| Frame Delay Performance | A measure of the delays experienced by different Service Frames belonging to the same CoS instance. | [2] |
| Frame Delay Variation | The difference in delay of two Service Frames. | [2] |
| Frame Delay Variation Performance | A measure of the variation in the delays experienced by different Service Frames belonging to the same CoS instance. | [2] |
| Frame Loss Ratio Performance | Frame Loss Ratio is a measure of the number of lost frames between the ingress UNI and the egress UNI. Frame Loss Ratio is expressed as a percentage. | [2] |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile | A characterization of ingress Service Frame arrival times and lengths at the ingress UNI and a specification of disposition of each Service Frame based on its level of compliance with the characterization. | [2] |
| Ingress Service Frame | A Service Frame sent from the CE into the Service Provider network. | [2] |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Service Frame | A Service Frame that is used for Layer 2 control, e.g., Spanning Tree Protocol. | [2] |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Tunneling | The process by which a Layer 2 Control Protocol Service Frame is passed through the Service Provider network without being processed and is delivered unchanged to the proper UNI(s). | [2] |
| Maximum Number of EVCs | The maximum number of EVCs that may be on a UNI. | [2] |

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| Term | Definition | Reference |
|----------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Maximum number of UNIs | The maximum number of UNIs that may be in an EVC. | [2] |
| MEN | Metro Ethernet Network | [12] |
| Metro Ethernet Network | The Service Provider's network providing Ethernet services. | [12] |
| MNU | Maximum Number of UNIs | [2] |
| MTU | Maximum Transmission Unit | This Document |
| MTU size | The maximum sized Service Frame allowed for an Ethernet service. | [2] |
| Multicast Service Frame | A Service Frame that has a multicast destination MAC address. | [2] |
| Multipoint-to- Multipoint EVC | An EVC with two or more UNIs. A Multipoint-to-Multipoint EVC with two UNIs is different from a Point-to-Point EVC because one or more additional UNIs can be added to it. | [2] |
| N/A | Not Applicable | |
| N/S | Not Specified | |
| Point-to-Point EVC | An EVC with exactly 2 UNIs. | [2] |
| Rooted-Multipoint EVC | A multipoint EVC in which each UNI is designated as either a Root or a Leaf. Ingress Service Frames at a Root UNI can be delivered to one or more of any of the other UNIs in the EVC. Ingress Service Frames at a Leaf UNI can only be delivered to one or more Root UNIs in the EVC. | [2] |
| Service Frame | An Ethernet frame transmitted across the UNI toward the Service Provider or an Ethernet frame transmitted across the UNI toward the Subscriber. | [2] |
| Service Frame Delivery | An EVC service attribute defined in [2] | [2] |
| Service Level Agreement | The contract between the Subscriber and Service Provider specifying the agreed to service level commitments and related business agreements. | [2] |
| Service Level Specification | The technical specification of the service level being offered by the Service Provider to the Subscriber. | [2] |
| Service Multiplexing | A UNI service attribute in which the UNI can be in more than one EVC instance. | [2] |
| Service Provider | The organization providing Ethernet Service(s). | [2] |
| SLA | Service Level Agreement | [2] |
| SLS | Service Level Specification | [2] |

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| Term | Definition | Reference |
|---|---|-----------|
| Subscriber | The organization purchasing and/or using Ethernet Services. | [2] |
| UNI | User Network Interface | [2] |
| UNI MTU Size | The maximum sized Service Frame allowed at the UNI. | [2] |
| Unicast Service Frame | A Service Frame that has a unicast destination MAC address. | [2] |
| User Network Interface The physical demarcation point between the responsibility of the Subscriber. The physical demarcation point between the responsibility of the Subscriber. | | [2] |
| VLAN Virtual LAN | | [4] |

Table 1: Terminology and Definitions Table

3. Scope

This document defines Phase 2 Ethernet services. It supersedes and replaces MEF 6 [1], "Ethernet Services Definitions – Phase 1". This document defines a third service type: E-Tree, based on a Rooted-Multipoint Ethernet Virtual Connection (EVC). It also updates service attributes and requirements for the existing defined service types – E-Line (based on a Point-to-Point EVC) and E-LAN (based on a Multipoint-to-Multipoint EVC). These updated service attributes are those defined in "Ethernet Services Attributes - Phase 2" [2].

This document defines generic service constructs called Ethernet Service types used to create Ethernet services over a Metro Ethernet Network (MEN). It specifies the Ethernet service attributes and parameters that are used with the different Ethernet Service types, but does not define how the service attributes may be implemented.

This document also defines the service attribute requirements for several Ethernet Services that use the generic Ethernet Service type constructs. Where possible, recommendations for the service attributes and associated parameters are made for these particular Ethernet Services. All services in this document provide for connectivity among User Network Interfaces (UNIs).

This document does not define application-based services that may be offered using these Ethernet Service types, e.g., IP Telephony service, nor does it define non-Ethernet-based services that may be offered over the MEN, e.g., Circuit Emulation Services over a TDM (e.g., T1) UNI. This document does not define how the services may be supported in the MEN using different transport and switching technologies.

3.1 Scope of Future Phases

Subsequent phases of this specification may add additional services or augment existing services with newly defined service attributes or parameters defined in other MEF Technical Committee specifications.

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5. Introduction

Ethernet has its origins in providing network connectivity and was not originally used to provide wide area services. With the introduction of Metro Ethernet services, Service Providers started using this Ethernet "connectivity" technology to provide Ethernet "services". While the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet protocol is still used, service-related attributes and parameters need to be added in order to create an Ethernet service.

This document uses the service attributes and parameters that are defined in the MEF Technical Specification "Ethernet Services Attributes Phase 2" [2] and applies them to create different Ethernet services. This document defines three generic service constructs called Ethernet Service types and specifies their associated service attributes and parameters used to create Point-to-Point, Multipoint-to-Multipoint, and Rooted-Multipoint Ethernet services. This document also defines the requirements for several Ethernet services that use these generic Ethernet Service types.

The Phase 2 Ethernet services described in this document are from a Subscriber perspective and are defined based on the service attributes that might appear in a Service Level Agreement (SLA) or Service Level Specification (SLS). The services are instantiated at an UNI with IEEE compliant Ethernet interfaces interconnecting the customer equipment to the Service Provider network. These services, however, are agnostic of the underlying network infrastructure within the Metro Ethernet Network (MEN) and may be supported over a combination of network technologies in the Service Provider's network that could include: MPLS, RPR, SONET, VLAN switching, WDM, etc.

6. Ethernet Service Definition Framework (Normative)

The Ethernet Service Definition Framework provides a model for specifying Ethernet services. Ethernet Service types are generic constructs used to create a broad range of services. Each Ethernet Service type has a set of Ethernet service attributes that define the service characteristics. These Ethernet Service Attributes in turn have a set of parameters associated with them that provide various options for the different service attributes. Refer to Figure 1.



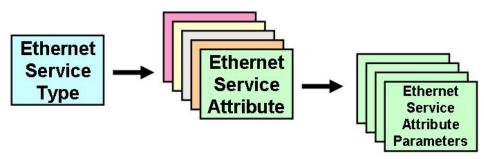


Figure 1: Ethernet Service Definition Framework

This document defines three Ethernet Service type generic constructs, namely, Ethernet Line (E-Line) Service type (refer to Section 6.1), Ethernet LAN (E-LAN) Service type (refer to Section 6.2) and Ethernet Tree (E-Tree) Service type (refer to Section 6.3), and their associated service attributes and parameters. The key differentiator is the type of connectivity provided, as indicated by the 'EVC Type' service attribute. The UNI and EVC service attributes and parameters are normatively defined in [2].

More than one Ethernet Service is defined for each of the three Ethernet Service types. These are differentiated by the method for service identification used at the UNIs. Services using All to One Bundling UNIs (port-based) are referred to as 'Private', while services using UNIs that are that are Service Multiplexed (VLAN-based), are referred to as 'Virtual Private'. This relationship is shown in Table 2 below.

| Service Type | Port-Based (All to One Bundling) | VLAN-Based (EVC identified by VLAN ID) |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| E-Line (point-to-point EVC) | Ethernet Private Line (EPL) | Ethernet Virtual Private Line (EVPL) ¹ |
| E-LAN (multipoint-to-multipoint EVC) | Ethernet Private LAN (EP-LAN) | Ethernet Virtual Private LAN (EVP-LAN) |
| E-Tree (rooted multipoint EVC) | Ethernet Private Tree (EP-Tree) | Ethernet Virtual Private Tree (EVP-Tree) |

Table 2: Ethernet Services

Please note that although some of the service names used in Table 2 and throughout this document are the same as names used in ITU-T G.8011.1 [13] and G.8011.2 [14], namely EPL and EVPL, the definitions of those services are different due to the fact that the ITU recommendations take a network view instead of the services view used in this document.

Table 3 below specifies the UNI service attributes, parameters, and values that are common for all Ethernet service types. The first column of this table identifies the UNI service attributes, as defined in [2]. The entries in the second column specify the UNI requirements, regardless of the

¹ EVPL as specified in this document is different from EVPL as was specified in [1]. In this document, EVPL cannot have All to One Bundling at the UNIs while in [1] All to One Bundling was allowed at the UNIs in EVPL.

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number of EVCs present on the UNI. These requirements allow for options for certain UNI attributes, e.g., physical medium, speed, maximum number of EVCs, application of ingress and egress bandwidth profiles, and layer 2 control protocol processing. Please note that such options may be different at each UNI in the EVC.

| UNI Service Attribute | Requirement |
|------------------------------|--|
| UNI Identifier | Arbitrary text string to identify the UNI. |
| Physical Medium | UNI Type 2 Physical Interface [5] except for PON interfaces ² |
| Speed | 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 10/100 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 10/100/1000 |
| Speed | Mbps Auto-negotiation, 1 Gbps, or 10 Gbps. |
| Mode | Full Duplex |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 [5] |
| UNI MTU Size | MUST be ≥ 1522 . |
| Service Multiplexing | Yes or No. MUST be No if All to One Bundling is Yes. |
| Bundling | Yes or No. MUST be No if All to One Bundling is Yes. |
| All to One Bundling | Yes or No. MUST be No if Bundling or Service Multiplexing is Yes. |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged | MUST specify CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged |
| and priority tagged Service | Service Frames in the range of 1-4094. This requirement does not |
| Frames | apply for services with all to one bundling at the UNI. |
| Maximum number of EVCs | MUST be an integer ≥ 1 . |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile | OPTIONAL . If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" eir,<="" td=""></cir,> |
| Per UNI | EBS, CM, CF>. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of |
| | ingress bandwidth profile. |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" eir,<="" td=""></cir,> |
| Per UNI | EBS, CM, CF>. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile. |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols | For each protocol, MUST specify one of: Peer, Discard, Pass to |
| Processing | EVC, or Peer and Pass to EVC. |

Table 3: UNI service attributes and parameter values for all service types

The following subsections define each of the three service types. Section 7 normatively defines the Ethernet services.

6.1 ETHERNET LINE (E-LINE) PHASE 2 SERVICE TYPE

Any Ethernet service that is based on a Point-to-Point Ethernet Virtual Connection (EVC) **SHALL** be designated as an Ethernet Line (E-Line) Service type. The E-Line Service is illustrated in Figure 2. An E-Line Service type can be used to create a broad range of Point-to-Point services.

² MEF does not support Ethernet services over PON interfaces.

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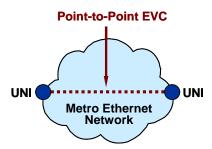


Figure 2: E-Line Service type using Point-to-Point EVC

In its simplest form, an E-Line Service type can provide symmetrical bandwidth for data sent in either direction with no performance assurances, e.g., best effort service between two 10Mbps UNIs. In more sophisticated forms, an E-Line Service type may be between two UNIs with different line rates and may be defined with performance assurances such as CIR with an associated CBS, EIR with an associated EBS, delay, delay variation, loss, and availability for a given Class of Service (CoS) instance. Service Multiplexing may occur at one or both UNIs in the EVC. For example, more than one Point-to-Point EVC may be offered on the same physical port at one or both of the UNIs.

The E-Line Service type UNI service attributes, parameters, and values can be found in Table 3.

The E-Line Service type EVC per UNI service attributes, parameters, and values can be found in Table 4 below. The first column of this table comes from [2]. The entries in the second column define the E-Line Service type.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | E-Line Service type Requirement |
|---|--|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | MUST specify the mapping table of CE-VLAN IDs to the EVC at the UNI. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS Identifier | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | MUST NOT specify ³ . |

³ For E-Line services, it is expected that an Ingress Bandwidth Profile will be applied at the ingress UNI such that traffic on the EVC is already controlled; therefore, there is no need to apply an Egress Bandwidth Profile per EVC or CoS at the egress UNI.

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| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | E-Line Service type Requirement |
|--|---------------------------------|
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS Identifier | MUST NOT specify. |

Table 4: E-Line Service type EVC per UNI service attributes and parameter values

The E-Line Service type EVC service attributes, parameters, and values can be found in Table 5 below. The first column of this table comes from [2]. The entries in the second column define the E-Line Service type.

| EVC Service Attribute | E-Line Service type Requirement |
|---|---|
| EVC Type | MUST be Point-to-Point. |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |
| UNI List | MUST provide the list of UNI Identifiers and type for each UNI associated with the EVC. UNI Type must be Root for each UNI. |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be 2. |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≤ minimum of UNI MTU sizes. |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing (only applies for L2CPs passed to the EVC) | For each protocol passed to the EVC, MUST specify one of: Tunnel or Discard. |
| EVC Performance | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per section 6.8 of [2]. MUST list values for each of the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability} for each CoS, where Not Specified (N/S) is an acceptable value. |

Table 5: E-Line Service type EVC service attributes and parameter values

6.2 ETHERNET LAN (E-LAN) SERVICE TYPE

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Any Ethernet Service that is based upon a Multipoint-to-Multipoint EVC **SHALL** be designated as an Ethernet LAN (E-LAN) Service type. The E-LAN service type is illustrated in Figure 3 below.

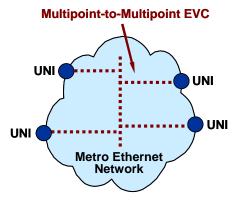


Figure 3: E-LAN Service type using Multipoint-to-Multipoint EVC

An E-LAN Service type can be used to create a broad range of services. In its simplest form, an E-LAN Service type can provide a best effort service with no performance assurances between the UNIs. In more sophisticated forms, an E-LAN Service type may be defined with performance assurances such as CIR with an associated CBS, EIR with an associated EBS, delay, delay variation, loss, and availability for a given CoS instance.

For an E-LAN service type, service multiplexing may occur at none, one, or more than one of the UNIs in the EVC. For example, an E-LAN Service type (Multipoint-to-Multipoint EVC) and an E-Line service type (Point-to-Point EVC) may be service multiplexed at the same UNI. In this example, the E-LAN service type may be used to interconnect other Subscriber sites while the E-Line service type is used to connect to the Internet with both services offered via service multiplexing at the same UNI.

The E-LAN service type UNI Service Attributes and requirements can be found in Table 3.

The E-LAN service type EVC per UNI Service Attributes and requirements can be found in Table 6 below. The first column of this table comes from [2]. The entries in the second column define the E-LAN Service type.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | E-LAN Service type Requirement |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | MUST specify the mapping table of CE-VLAN IDs to the EVC at the UNI. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> [2]. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

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| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | E-LAN Service type Requirement |
|---|---|
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS Identifier | OPTIONAL . If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> [2]. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS Identifier | OPTIONAL . If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

Table 6: E-LAN Service type EVC per UNI service attributes and parameter values

The E-LAN service type EVC service attributes, parameters, and values can be found in Table 7 below. The first column of this table comes from [2]. The entries in the second column define the E-LAN Service type.

| EVC Service Attribute | E-LAN Service type Requirement |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| EVC Type | MUST be Multipoint-to-Multipoint. |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |
| UNI List | MUST provide the list of UNI Identifiers and type for each UNI associated with the EVC. UNI Type must be Root for each UNI |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be ≥ 2 . |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≤ minimum of UNI MTU sizes. |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |

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| EVC Service Attribute | E-LAN Service type Requirement |
|--|---|
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing (only applies for L2CPs passed to the EVC) | For each protocol passed to the EVC, MUST specify one of: Tunnel or Discard. |
| EVC Performance | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per section 6.8 of [2]. MUST list values for each of the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability} for each CoS, where Not Specified (N/S) is an acceptable value. |

Table 7: E-LAN Service type EVC service attributes and parameter values

6.3 ETHERNET TREE (E-TREE) SERVICE TYPE

Any Ethernet Service that is based upon a Rooted-Multipoint Ethernet Virtual Connection, as defined in MEF 10.1, **SHALL** be designated as an Ethernet Tree (E-Tree) Service type. The E-Tree service type with a single Root is illustrated in Figure 4.

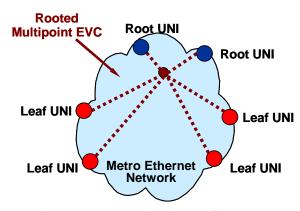


Figure 4: E-Tree Service type using Rooted-Multipoint EVC

In its simplest form, an E-Tree Service type can provide a single Root for multiple Leaf UNIs. Each Leaf UNI can exchange data with only the Root UNI. A service frame sent from one Leaf UNI with a destination address for another Leaf UNI is not delivered. This service could be useful for Internet Access or Video over IP applications, such as multicast/broadcast packet video. One or more than one CoS may be associated with this service.

In more sophisticated forms, an E-Tree Service type may support two or more Root UNIs. In this scenario, each Leaf UNI can exchange data only with the Root UNIs. As well, the Roots can communicate with each other. In such a service, redundant access to 'the Root' can also be provided, effectively allowing for enhanced service reliability and flexibility. This service is depicted in Figure 5 below.

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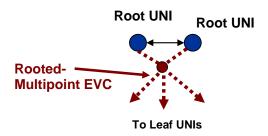


Figure 5: E-Tree Service type using Multiple Roots

For an E-Tree service type, service multiplexing may occur at none, one, or more than one of the UNIs in the EVC. For example, an E-Tree service type, using a Rooted-Multipoint EVC, and an E-Line service type, using a Point-to-Point EVC, may be service multiplexed at the same UNI. In this example, the E-Tree service type may be used to support a specific application at the Subscriber UNI, e.g., ISP access to redundant PoPs (multiple Roots at ISP PoPs), while the E-Line Service type is used to connect to another enterprise site with a Point-to-Point EVC.

The E-Tree service type UNI Service Attributes and requirements can be found in Table 3.

The E-Tree service type EVC per UNI service attributes and requirements can be found in Table 8 below. The first column of this table comes from [2]. The entries in the second column define the E-Tree Service type.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | E-Tree EVC per UNI Service type Requirement |
|--|---|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | MUST specify the mapping table of CE-VLAN IDs to the EVC at the UNI. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> [2]. MUST NOT be allowed if any other ingress bandwidth profile is applied at this UNI for this EVC.</cir,> |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS Identifier | OPTIONAL . If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> [2]. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS Identifier | OPTIONAL . If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

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Table 8 : E-Tree Service type EVC per UNI service attributes and parameter values

The E-Tree service type EVC service attributes, parameters, and values can be found in Table 9 below. The first column of this table comes from [2]. The entries in the second column define the E-Tree Service type.

| EVC Service Attribute | E-Tree EVC Service type Requirement |
|---|---|
| EVC Type | MUST be Rooted-Multipoint |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |
| UNI List | MUST provide the list of UNI Identifiers and type for each UNI associated with the EVC. The number of Root UNIs in the list MUST be ≥ 1 . The number of Leaf UNIs in the list MUST be $\geq 0^4$. |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be ≥ 2 |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≤ minimum of UNI MTU sizes. |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing (only applies for L2CPs passed to the EVC) | For each protocol passed to the EVC, MUST specify one of: Tunnel or Discard |
| EVC Performance | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per section 6.8 of [2]. MUST list values for each of the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability} for each CoS, where Not Specified (N/S) is an acceptable value. |

Table 9: E-Tree Service type EVC service attributes and parameter values

7. Service Definitions (Normative)

An Ethernet service is defined by specifying service attribute parameter values for a given Ethernet Service type. This section defines the required service attributes and related parameter values for the Ethernet services specified in this Technical Specification. If any of the Ethernet

⁴ An E-Tree service may have no leaves, for example, during times when leaf UNIs are being added or removed.

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services in this section are offered, the normative text for each service attribute is applied. Note that other variations of these Ethernet services are also possible.

7.1 ETHERNET PRIVATE LINE SERVICE

An Ethernet Private Line (EPL) service is specified using an E-Line Service type. An EPL service uses a Point-to-Point EVC between two UNIs and provides a high degree of transparency for Service Frames between the UNIs it interconnects such that the Service Frame's header and payload are identical at both the source and destination UNI when a Service Frame is delivered. Figure 6 below shows the basic structure of EPL service.

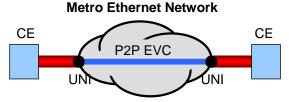


Figure 6: Ethernet Private Line (EPL) Service

EPL service does not allow for Service Multiplexing, i.e., a dedicated UNI (physical interface) is used for the service. Because of the high degree of transparency of this service, there is no need for coordination between the Subscriber and Service Provider on a detailed CE-VLAN ID/EVC Map for each UNI because all Service Frames are mapped to a single EVC at the UNI. Refer to [2] for more information on CE-VLAN ID/EVC Map attribute.

For cases where EVC speed is less than the UNI speed, the CE is expected to shape traffic to the Ingress Bandwidth Profile of the service such that all of its traffic, including certain L2CPs that require delivery for proper operation, is not discarded by the service.

Table 10 provides the UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the Ethernet Private Line.

| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|-----------------------|--|
| UNI Identifier | Arbitrary text string to identify the UNI. |
| Physical Medium | UNI Type 2 Physical Interface [5] except for PON interfaces |
| Speed | 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 10/100 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 10/100/1000 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 1 Gbps, or 10 Gbps |
| Mode | MUST be Full Duplex |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 [5] |
| UNI MTU Size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | MUST be No |
| Bundling | MUST be No |
| All to One Bundling | MUST be Yes |

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| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|---|
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service | All untagged and priority tagged Service Frames at the UNI MUST map to the same EVC as is used for all other Service |
| Frames | Frames. |
| Maximum number of EVCs | MUST be 1 |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | MUST NOT specify ⁵ |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | MUST NOT specify |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.1 of this document. |

Table 10: UNI service attributes and parameters for the EPL service

Table 11 provides the EVC per UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the Ethernet Private Line (EPL) service.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|---|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | All Service Frames at the UNI MUST map to a single Point-to-Point EVC. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | MUST NOT specify |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | MUST NOT specify |

Table 11: EVC per UNI service attributes and parameters for the EPL service

Table 12 provides the EVC service attributes, parameters, and values for the Ethernet Private Line (EPL) service.

| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|------------------------------|--|
| EVC Type | MUST be Point-to-Point |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |

⁵ See Ingress Bandwidth Profile per EVC service attribute in Table 11.

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| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|---|
| UNI List | MUST list the two UNIs associated with the EVC. The UNI type MUST be Root for each UNI. |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be 2 |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be Yes |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be Yes |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | MUST Deliver Unconditionally |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | MUST Deliver Unconditionally |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | MUST Deliver Unconditionally |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing (only applies for L2CPs passed to the EVC) | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.1 of this document. |
| EVC Performance | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per section 6.8 of [2]. MUST list values for each of the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability} for each CoS, where Not Specified (N/S) is an acceptable value. |

Table 12: EVC service attributes and parameters for the EPL service

The definition of EPL in this document is somewhat different than the superseded definition of EPL that was given in MEF 6 [1]. In addition to changes to the Layer 2 Control Protocol processing requirements (see Section 8), the other key differences are captured in Table 13.

| Attribute | EPL in this Document | EPL in MEF 6 [1] |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Bandwidth Profile Parameter Values | $EIR \ge 0$, $EBS \ge 0$ | EIR = 0, $EBS = 0$ |
| Classes of Service | Multiple allowed | One allowed |

Table 13: Differences in EPL from EPL in MEF 6

7.2 ETHERNET VIRTUAL PRIVATE LINE SERVICE

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An Ethernet Virtual Private Line (EVPL) is created using an E-Line Service type. An EVPL can be used to create services similar to the Ethernet Private Line (EPL) with some notable exceptions. First, an EVPL allows for service multiplexing at the UNI. This capability allows more than one EVC to be supported at the UNI where the EPL does not allow this. Second, an EVPL need not provide as much transparency of Service Frames as with an EPL. Because service multiplexing is permitted, some Service Frames may be sent to one EVC while other Service Frames may be sent to other EVCs.

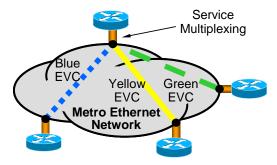


Figure 7 below shows the basic structure of EVPL service.

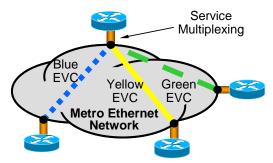


Figure 7: Ethernet Virtual Private Line (EVPL) Service

Table 14 provides the UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the Ethernet Virtual Private Line (EVPL) using the E-Line Service type.

| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|-----------------------|--|
| UNI Identifier | Arbitrary text string to identify the UNI. |
| Physical Medium | UNI Type 2 Physical Interface [5] except for PON interfaces |
| Speed | 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 10/100 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 10/100/1000 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 1 Gbps, or 10 Gbps |
| Mode | MUST be Full Duplex |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 [5] |
| UNI MTU Size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | SHOULD be supported at one or more UNIs. |
| Bundling | Yes or No. If Yes, then CE-VLAN ID Preservation MUST be Yes. |
| All to One Bundling | MUST be No |

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| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|--|
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service | MUST specify CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames in the range of 1-4094. |
| Frames | Service Frames in the range of 1-4094. |
| Maximum number of EVCs | MUST be ≥ 1 |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.2 of this document. |

Table 14: UNI service attributes and parameters for EVPL service

Table 15 provides the EVC per UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the Ethernet Virtual Private Line (EVPL) using the E-Line Service type.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|--|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | MUST specify mapping table of CE-VLAN IDs to the EVC ID. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | MUST be No |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | MUST be No |

Table 15: EVC per UNI service attributes and parameters for EVPL service

Table 16 provides the EVC service attributes, parameters, and values for the Ethernet Virtual Private Line (EVPL) using the E-Line Service type.

| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|-----------------------|--|
| EVC Type | MUST be Point-to-Point |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |

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| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|---|
| UNI List | MUST list the two UNIs associated with the EVC. The UNI type MUST be Root for each UNI. |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be 2 |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing (only applies for L2CPs passed to the EVC) | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.2 of this document. |
| EVC Performance | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per section 6.8 of [2]. MUST list values for each of the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability} for each CoS, where Not Specified (N/S) is an acceptable value. |

Table 16: EVC service attributes and parameters for the EVPL service

The definition of EVPL in this document is somewhat different than the definition of EVPL used in MEF 6 [1]. The key differences are captured in Table 17.

| Attribute | EVPL in this Document | EVPL in MEF 6 [1] |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| All to One Bundling | Must be No | May be Yes or No |

Table 17: Differences in EVPL from EVPL in MEF 6

7.3 ETHERNET PRIVATE LAN SERVICE

Subscribers with multiple sites often want to interconnect them at high speeds so all sites appear to be on the same Local Area Network (LAN) and have equivalent performance and access to resources such as servers and storage. Subscribers commonly desire a highly transparent service that connects multiple UNIs. To this end, the Ethernet Private LAN (EP-LAN) service is defined in this subsection, using the E-LAN service type.

The EP-LAN service is defined to provide CE-VLAN tag preservation and tunneling of key Layer 2 Control Protocols. A key advantage of this approach is that the Subscriber can configure VLANs across the sites without any need to coordinate with the Service Provider. Each interface is configured for All to One Bundling and, therefore, EP-LAN service supports CE-VLAN ID

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preservation. In addition, EP-LAN supports CE-VLAN CoS preservation.

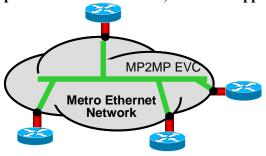


Figure 8 below shows the basic structure of EP-LAN service.

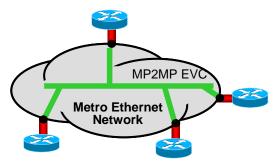


Figure 8: Ethernet Private LAN (EP-LAN) Service

Table 18 provides the UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the EP-LAN service.

| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|--|--|
| UNI Identifier | Arbitrary text string to identify the UNI. |
| Physical Medium | UNI Type 2 Physical Interface [5] except for PON interfaces |
| Speed | 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 10/100 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 10/100/1000 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 1 Gbps, or 10 Gbps |
| Mode | MUST be Full Duplex |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 [5] |
| UNI MTU Size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | MUST be No |
| Bundling | MUST be No |
| All to One Bundling | MUST be Yes |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames | All untagged and priority tagged Service Frames at the UNI MUST map to the same EVC as is used for all other Service Frames. |
| Maximum number of EVCs | MUST be 1 |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

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| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|--|---|
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.3 of this document. |

Table 18: UNI service attributes and parameters for the EP-LAN service

Table 19 provides the EVC per UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the EP-LAN service.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|--|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | All Service Frames at the UNI MUST map to a single Multipoint-to-Multipoint EVC. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

Table 19: EVC per UNI service attributes and parameters for the EP-LAN service

Table 20 provides the EVC service attributes, parameters, and values for the EP-LAN service.

| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|------------------------------|--|
| EVC Type | MUST be Multipoint-to-Multipoint |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |
| UNI List | MUST list the UNIs associated with the EVC. The UNI type MUST be Root for each UNI. |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be ≥ 2 |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≥ 1522 . |

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| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|------------------------------|---|
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be Yes |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be Yes |
| Unicast Service Frame | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered |
| Delivery | Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Multicast Service Frame | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered |
| Delivery | Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Broadcast Service Frame | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered |
| Delivery | Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols | |
| Processing (only applies for | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.3 of this document. |
| L2CPs passed to the EVC) | |
| | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per |
| | section 6.8 of [2]. For each CoS, MUST list values for each of |
| | the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, |
| EVC Performance | Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability}, where Not Specified (N/S) |
| | is an acceptable value, for one or more sets of ordered UNI |
| | pairs. Each ordered UNI pair in the EVC MUST be mapped to |
| | at least one CoS. |

Table 20: EVC service attributes and parameters for the EP-LAN service

7.4 ETHERNET VIRTUAL PRIVATE LAN SERVICE

Some Subscribers commonly desire an E-LAN service type to connect their UNIs in a metro network, while at the same time accessing other services from one or more of those UNIs. An example of such a UNI is a Subscriber site that wants to access a public or private IP service from a UNI that is also used to for E-LAN service among the Subscriber's several metro locations. We define the Ethernet Virtual Private LAN (EVP-LAN) service in this subsection to address this need

Bundling may or may not be used on the UNIs in the Multipoint-to-Multipoint EVC. As such, CE-VLAN tag preservation and tunneling of certain Layer 2 Control Protocols may or may not be provided. Figure 9 below shows the basic structure of EVP-LAN service. In this example, the customer uses an EVP-LAN Service (red EVC) for providing multipoint data connectivity, and an EVPL Service (blue EVC) for accessing value-add services from one of the UNIs.



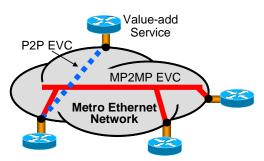


Figure 9: Ethernet Virtual Private LAN (EVP-LAN) Service

Table 21 provides the UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the EVP-LAN service.

| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|--|--|
| UNI Identifier | Arbitrary text string to identify the UNI. |
| Physical Medium | UNI Type 2 Physical Interface [5] except for PON interfaces |
| Speed | 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 10/100 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 10/100/1000 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 1 Gbps, or 10 Gbps |
| Mode | MUST be Full Duplex |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 [5] |
| UNI MTU Size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | SHOULD be supported at one or more UNIs. |
| Bundling | Yes or No. If Yes, then CE-VLAN ID Preservation MUST be Yes. |
| All to One Bundling | MUST be No |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames | MUST specify CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames in the range of 1-4094. |
| Maximum number of EVCs | MUST be ≥ 1 |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.4 of this document. |

Table 21: UNI service attributes and parameters for the EVP-LAN service

Table 22 provides the EVC per UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the EVP-LAN service.

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| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|--|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | MUST specify mapping table of CE-VLAN IDs to the EVC ID. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other ingress bandwidth profile is applied at this UNI for this EVC.</cir,> |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of Ingress Bandwidth Profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

Table 22: EVC per UNI service attributes and parameters for the EVP-LAN service

Table 23 provides the EVC service attributes, parameters, and values for the EVP-LAN service.

| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| EVC Type | MUST be Multipoint-to-Multipoint |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |
| UNI List | MUST list the UNIs associated with the EVC. The UNI type MUST be Root for each UNI. |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be ≥ 2 |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |

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| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|--|--|
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing (only applies for L2CPs passed to the EVC) At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID section 6.8 of [2]. For each CoS, MUST list values for ear the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variations of the section 6.8 of [2]. | |
| EVC Performance | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per section 6.8 of [2]. For each CoS, MUST list values for each of the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability}, where Not Specified (N/S) is an acceptable value, for one or more sets of ordered UNI pairs. Each ordered UNI pair in the EVC MUST be mapped to at least one CoS. |

Table 23: EVC service attributes and parameters for the EVP-LAN service

7.5 ETHERNET PRIVATE TREE SERVICE

Subscribers with multiple sites may want to interconnect them to provide services other than those that resemble a LAN. These services may be distributed from a centralized site (or few such sites) where the distribution site is designated as a Root and all the remaining sites are designated as leaves.

The EP-Tree service is defined to provide CE-VLAN tag preservation and tunneling of key Layer 2 Control Protocols. A key advantage of this approach is that the Subscriber can configure VLANs across the sites without any need to coordinate with the Service Provider. Each interface is configured for All to One Bundling and, therefore, EP-Tree service supports CE-VLAN ID preservation. In addition, EP-Tree supports CE-VLAN CoS preservation.

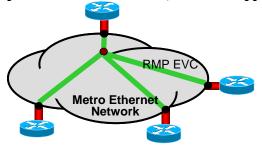


Figure 10 below shows the basic structure of EP-Tree service.

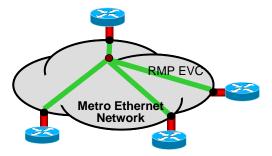


Figure 10: Ethernet Private Tree (EP-Tree) Service

Table 24 provides the UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the EP- Tree service.

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| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|--|---|
| UNI Identifier | Arbitrary text string to identify the UNI. |
| Physical Medium | UNI Type 2 Physical Interface [5] except for PON interfaces |
| Speed | 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 10/100 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 10/100/1000 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 1 Gbps, or 10 Gbps |
| Mode | MUST be Full Duplex |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 [5] |
| UNI MTU Size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | MUST be No |
| Bundling | MUST be No |
| All to One Bundling | MUST be Yes |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames | All untagged and priority tagged Service Frames at the UNI MUST map to the same EVC as is used for all other Service Frames. |
| Maximum number of EVCs | MUST be 1 |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.5 of this document. |

Table 24: UNI service attributes and parameters for the EP-Tree service

Table 25 provides the EVC per UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the EP- Tree service.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|--|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | All Service Frames at the UNI MUST map to the Rooted-Multipoint EVC. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

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| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|--|---|
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

Table 25: EVC per UNI service attributes and parameters for the EP-Tree service

Table 26 provides the EVC service attributes, parameters, and values for the EP-Tree service.

| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|---|
| EVC Type | MUST be Rooted-Multipoint |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |
| UNI List | MUST list the UNIs associated with the EVC. The UNI Type for at least 1 UNI MUST be Root. All UNIs that are not UNI Type Root MUST be UNI Type Leaf. |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be ≥ 2 |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be Yes |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be Yes |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing (only applies for L2CP frames passed to the EVC) | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.5 of this document. |
| EVC Performance | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per section 6.8 of [2]. For each CoS, MUST list values for each of the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability}, where Not Specified (N/S) is an acceptable value, for one or more sets of ordered UNI pairs where each ordered pair contains at least one Root UNI. Each ordered UNI pair containing at least one Root UNI in the EVC MUST be mapped to at least one CoS. |

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Table 26: EVC service attributes and parameters for the EP-Tree service

7.6 ETHERNET VIRTUAL PRIVATE TREE SERVICE

Some subscribers desire access to certain applications or content services from well-defined access points within their own (or an external) network. In this case it is necessary to interconnect the participating UNIs in a Rooted-Multipoint connection to the well-defined access (or root) point. One or more of the Subscriber's UNIs may also support other services, e.g., EVPL or EVP-LAN. For such cases, the EVP-Tree service is used.

Bundling may or may not be used on the UNIs in the Rooted-Multipoint EVC. As such, CE-VLAN tag preservation and tunneling of certain Layer 2 Control Protocols may or may not be provided. Figure 11 below shows the basic structure of EVP-Tree service. In this example, a customer has EVP-LAN service (red EVC) providing data connectivity among three UNIs, while using EVP-Tree service (green EVC) for providing video broadcast from a video hub location.

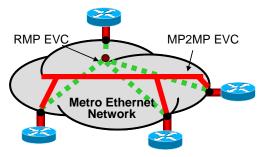


Figure 11: Ethernet Virtual Private Tree (EVP-Tree) Service

Table 27 provides the UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the EVP-Tree service.

| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|--|--|
| UNI Identifier | Arbitrary text string to identify the UNI. |
| Physical Medium | UNI Type 2 Physical Interface [5] except for PON interfaces |
| Speed | 10 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 10/100 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 10/100/1000 Mbps Auto-negotiation, 1 Gbps, or 10 Gbps |
| Mode | MUST be Full Duplex |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 [5] |
| UNI MTU Size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | SHOULD be supported at one or more UNIs. |
| Bundling | Yes or No. If Yes, then CE-VLAN ID Preservation MUST be Yes. |
| All to One Bundling | MUST be No |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames | MUST specify CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames in the range of 1-4094. |
| Maximum number of EVCs | MUST be ≥ 1 |

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| UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|--|--|
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.6 of this document. |

Table 27: UNI service attributes and parameters for the EVP-Tree service

Table 28 provides the EVC per UNI service attributes, parameters, and values for the EVP-Tree service.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|---|--|
| UNI EVC ID | A string formed by the concatenation of the UNI ID and the EVC ID. |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | MUST specify mapping table of CE-VLAN IDs to the EVC ID. |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of ingress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,="">. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | OPTIONAL. If supported, MUST specify CoS ID per [2], section 6.8, and MUST specify <cir, cbs,="" cf="" cm,="" ebs,="" eir,=""> for each CoS. MUST NOT be combined with any other type of egress bandwidth profile.</cir,> |

Table 28: EVC per UNI service attributes and parameters for the EVP-Tree service

Table 29 provides the EVC service attributes, parameters, and values for the EVP-Tree service.

| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values |
|------------------------------|--|
| EVC Type | MUST be Rooted-Multipoint |
| EVC ID | An arbitrary string, unique across the MEN, for the EVC supporting the service instance. |
| UNI List | MUST list the UNIs associated with the EVC. The UNI Type for at least 1 UNI MUST be Root. All UNIs that are not UNI Type Root MUST be UNI Type Leaf. |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | MUST be ≥ 2 |
| EVC MTU size | MUST be ≥ 1522 |

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| EVC Service Attribute | Service Attribute Parameters and Values | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No | | |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | MUST be either Yes or No | | |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. | | |
| Multicast Service Frame Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Deliver Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. | | | |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally or Deliver Conditionally. If Delivered Conditionally, MUST specify the delivery criteria. | | |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing (only applies for L2CP frame passed to the EVC) | MUST specify in accordance with Section 8.6 of this document. | | |
| EVC Performance | At least one CoS is REQUIRED . MUST specify CoS ID, per section 6.8 of [2]. For each CoS, MUST list values for each of the following attributes {Frame Delay, Frame Delay Variation, Frame Loss Ratio, and Availability}, where Not Specified (N/S) is an acceptable value, for one or more sets of ordered UNI pairs where each ordered pair contains at least one Root UNI. Each ordered UNI pair containing at least one Root UNI in the EVC MUST be mapped to at least one CoS. | | |

Table 29: EVC service attributes and parameters for the EVP-Tree service

8. Layer 2 Control Protocol Processing Requirements (Normative)

This section provides requirements for the processing of a Subscriber's Layer 2 Control Protocol (L2CP) frames on a given UNI for the services defined in this document. The requirements are intended to provide guidance for actual deployments of the Ethernet services defined in this document, while at the same time allowing for flexibility among the Service Provider offerings.

Within the context of this document, a Layer 2 Control Protocol is identified by one of the following MAC Destination Addresses:

| MAC DAs | Layer 2 Control Protocol |
|---|---------------------------|
| 01-80-C2-00-00-00 through 01-80-C2-00-00-0F | Bridge Block of protocols |
| 01-80-C2-00-00-20 through 01-80-C2-00-00-2F | GARP Block of protocols |

Table 30: List of Standardized Layer 2 Control Protocols

For each service, protocols are configured to 'tunnel', 'peer', or 'discard' at the UNI. Classification of which L2CP frames to tunnel will examine only the MAC Destination Address (DA) of the Service Frame. Note that for cases in which more than one protocol uses the same MAC DA (e.g., LACP and Link OAM), then the required action related to tunneling is the same. Since multiple protocols may share the same MAC DA, classification of which L2CP frames to peer will examine both the MAC DA and the protocol identifiers (e.g. Ethertype, Slow-protocol sub-type).

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In this section, 'Discard' means that the MEN will discard ingress L2CP frames of a given protocol, DA> pair and will not generate that protocol, DA> pair on egress from the MEN.
'Peer' means that the MEN will actively participate with the protocol if the DA is as specified.
These L2CPs are: LACP/LAMP, Link OAM, Port Authentication, and E-LMI,. 'Tunnel' means that frames are transparently passed to a given EVC for transport across the MEN to the destination UNI(s).

If a given protocol uses a MAC Destination Address (DA) other than that specified in the following subsections, and outside the block of the reserved MAC DAs (16 bridge block, 16 GARP block), then it **SHOULD** be treated as normal data.

If a given protocol uses a MAC DA other than that specified in the following subsections, but within the block of the reserved MAC DAs (16 bridge block, 16 GARP block), then the requirements are left for further study.

These recommendations are designed to be consistent with a standard Provider Bridge [10] implementation. The Provider Bridge specification allows for subscribers that may want to deviate from these recommendations by providing a default set of standard destination MAC addresses that could be used to determine either peering or tunneling for a specific L2CP. See Section 11, for more discussion of how the MEF terminology maps to IEEE 802.1 terminology with respect to L2CP processing.

The tables in the following subsections summarize the Layer 2 Control Protocol (L2CP) Processing requirements for the indicated services. For an ingress Service Frame with the given destination MAC address and the given protocol, the required actions for the service are specified together with the applicability of the requirement, i.e., whether it applies to all UNIs in the EVC or is applied on a per-UNI basis.

Please note that while [1] included requirements for 'All Bridges', requirements for this protocol are not included in this document. The All LANs Bridge Management Group Address (01-80-C2-00-00-10) has been officially deprecated in 802.1Q-2005, subclause 8.13.7. In the unlikely event that a customer may use this MAC DA, MEF services are expected to treat them as normal service frames.

8.1 L2CP REQUIREMENTS FOR ETHERNET PRIVATE LINE (EPL) SERVICE

Table 31 specifies the L2CP processing requirements for EPL service. The first column identifies the standard protocol, and the second column identifies the MAC DA used to carry that protocol data unit. The third column specifies the required action, and the fourth column specifies the applicability, i.e., whether the action taken must be the same at all UNIs in the EVC, or the action taken can be different on different UNIs in the EVC.

| Protocol | MAC DA | L2CP Requirement Option 1 Option 2 | | Applicability |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| 1100001 | MAC DA | Option 1 | Option 2 | Applicability |
| STP[3]/RSTP[3]/MSTP[4] | 01-80-C2-00-00-00 | MUST Tunnel | MUST Tunnel | All UNIs in the EVC |

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| PAUSE[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-01 | SHOULD Discard | SHOULD Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
|------------------------|---|------------------------|-------------------|---|
| LACP/LAMP[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | SHOULD Peer or Discard | SHOULD Tunnel | Option 1: Per UNI Option 2: All UNIs in the EVC |
| Link OAM[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | SHOULD PART SHOULD 1 1 | | Option 1: Per UNI Option 2: All UNIs in the EVC |
| Port Authentication[7] | 01-80-C2-00-00-03 | SHOULD Peer or Discard | SHOULD Tunnel | Option 1: Per UNI Option 2: All UNIs in the EVC |
| E-LMI[9] | 01-80-C2-00-00-07 | SHOULD Peer or Discard | MUST Tunnel | Option 1: Per UNI Option 2: All UNIs in the EVC |
| LLDP[8] | 01-80-C2-00-00-0E | SHOULD Discard | MUST Tunnel | All UNIs in the EVC |
| GARP[4]/MRP[17] Block | 01-80-C2-00-00-20 through 01-80-C2-00-00-2F | MUST Discard or Tunnel | MUST Tunnel | All UNIs in the EVC |

Table 31: L2CP Processing Requirements for the EPL Service

8.2 L2CP REQUIREMENTS FOR ETHERNET VIRTUAL PRIVATE LINE (EVPL) SERVICE

Table 32 specifies the L2CP processing requirements for EVPL service. The first column identifies the standard protocol, and the second column identifies the MAC DA used to carry that protocol data unit. The third column specifies the required action, and the fourth column specifies the applicability, i.e., whether the action taken must be the same at all UNIs in the EVC, or the action taken can be different on different UNIs in the EVC.

| Protocol | MAC DA | L2CP Requirement | Applicability |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| STP[3]/RSTP[3]/MSTP[4] | 01-80-C2-00-00-00 | MUST Peer or Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| PAUSE[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-01 | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| LACP/LAMP[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| Link OAM[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| Port Authentication[7] | 01-80-C2-00-00-03 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| E-LMI[9] | 01-80-C2-00-00-07 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| LLDP[8] | 01-80-C2-00-00-0E | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| | 01-80-C2-00-00-20 | MUCT Door Tunnel or | |
| GARP[4]/MRP[17] Block | through | MUST Peer, Tunnel or Discard | Per UNI |
| | 01-80-C2-00-00-2F | Discurd | |

Table 32: L2CP Processing Requirements for the EVPL Service

8.3 L2CP REQUIREMENTS FOR ETHERNET PRIVATE LAN (EP-LAN) SERVICE

Table 33 specifies the L2CP processing requirements for EP-LAN service. The first column identifies the standard protocol, and the second column identifies the MAC DA used to carry that

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protocol data unit. The third column specifies the required action, and the fourth column specifies the applicability, i.e., whether the action taken must be the same at all UNIs in the EVC, or the action taken can be different on different UNIs in the EVC.

| Protocol | MAC DA | L2CP Requirement | Applicability |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| STP[3]/RSTP[3]/MSTP[4] | 01-80-C2-00-00-00 | SHOULD Tunnel MAY Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| PAUSE[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-01 | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| LACP/LAMP[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| Link OAM[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| Port Authentication[7] | 01-80-C2-00-00-03 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| E-LMI[9] | 01-80-C2-00-00-07 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| LLDP[8] | 01-80-C2-00-00-0E | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| GARP[4]/MRP[17] Block | 01-80-C2-00-00-20 through 01-80-C2-00-00-2F | MUST Peer, Tunnel or Discard | Per UNI |

Table 33: L2CP Processing Requirements for the EP-LAN Service

8.4 L2CP REQUIREMENTS FOR ETHERNET VIRTUAL PRIVATE LAN (EVP-LAN) SERVICE

Table 34 specifies the L2CP processing requirements for EVP-LAN service. The first column identifies the standard protocol, and the second column identifies the MAC DA used to carry that protocol data unit. The third column specifies the required action, and the fourth column specifies the applicability, i.e., whether the action taken must be the same at all UNIs in the EVC, or the action taken can be different on different UNIs in the EVC.

| Protocol | MAC DA | L2CP Requirement | Applicability |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| STP[3]/RSTP[3]/MSTP[4] | 01-80-C2-00-00-00 | MUST Peer or Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| PAUSE[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-01 | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| LACP/LAMP[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| Link OAM[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| Port Authentication[7] | 01-80-C2-00-00-03 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| E-LMI[9] | 01-80-C2-00-00-07 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI |
| LLDP[8] | 01-80-C2-00-00-0E | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC |
| GARP[4]/MRP[17] Block | 01-80-C2-00-00-20 through 01-80-C2-00-00-2F | MUST Peer, Tunnel or Discard | Per UNI |

Table 34: L2CP Processing Requirements for the EVP-LAN Service

8.5 L2CP REQUIREMENTS FOR ETHERNET PRIVATE TREE (EP-TREE) SERVICE

Table 35 specifies the L2CP processing requirements for EP-Tree service. The first column identifies the standard protocol, and the second column identifies the MAC DA used to carry that protocol data unit. The third column specifies the required action, and the fourth column

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specifies the applicability, i.e., whether the action taken must be the same at all UNIs in the EVC, or the action taken can be different on different UNIs in the EVC.

| Protocol | MAC DA | L2CP Requirement | Applicability | |
|------------------------|---|--|---------------------|--|
| STP[3]/RSTP[3]/MSTP[4] | 01-80-C2-00-00-00 | SHOULD Tunnel ⁶ MAY Discard | All UNIs in the EVC | |
| PAUSE[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-01 | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC | |
| LACP/LAMP[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI | |
| Link OAM[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 MUST Peer or Discard Per | | Per UNI | |
| Port Authentication[7] | 01-80-C2-00-00-03 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI | |
| E-LMI[9] | 01-80-C2-00-00-07 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI | |
| LLDP[8] | 01-80-C2-00-00-0E | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC | |
| GARP[4]/MRP[17] Block | 01-80-C2-00-00-20 through 01-80-C2-00-00-2F | MUST Peer, Tunnel or Discard | Per UNI | |

Table 35: L2CP Processing Requirements for the EP-Tree Service

8.6 L2CP REQUIREMENTS FOR ETHERNET VIRTUAL PRIVATE TREE (EVP-TREE) SERVICE

Table 36 specifies the L2CP processing requirements for EVP-Tree service. The first column identifies the standard protocol, and the second column identifies the MAC DA used to carry that protocol data unit. The third column specifies the required action, and the fourth column specifies the applicability, i.e., whether the action taken must be the same at all UNIs in the EVC, or the action taken can be different on different UNIs in the EVC.

| Protocol | MAC DA | L2CP Requirement | Applicability | |
|------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--|
| STP[3]/RSTP[3]/MSTP[4] | 01-80-C2-00-00-00 | MUST Peer or Discard | All UNIs in the EVC | |
| PAUSE[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-01 | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC | |
| LACP/LAMP[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI | |
| Link OAM[5] | 01-80-C2-00-00-02 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI | |
| Port Authentication[7] | 01-80-C2-00-00-03 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI | |
| E-LMI[9] | 01-80-C2-00-00-07 | MUST Peer or Discard | Per UNI | |
| LLDP[8] | 01-80-C2-00-00-0E | MUST Discard | All UNIs in the EVC | |
| | 01-80-C2-00-00-20 | MUST Peer, Tunnel or | | |
| GARP[4]/MRP[17] Block | through | Discard | Per UNI | |
| | 01-80-C2-00-00-2F | | | |

Table 36: L2CP Processing Requirements for the EVP-Tree Service

⁶ Since not all CEs in an E-Tree service will see all BPDUs, undesirable behavior can ensue. Service Providers should be careful to warn Subscribers about attaching bridges to such a service and expecting STP work properly.

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9. Service OAM Requirements (Normative)

Service OAM requirements in this section are in alignment with MEF Service OAM Requirements & Framework - Phase 1 [16], and are based on protocols specified in IEEE 802.1ag [11] and ITU-T Y.1731 [15]. This is a set of protocols that allow for two types of maintenance points and up to eight Maintenance Domains (MD's) associated with a given service.

A Maintenance End Point (MEP) is used at the edge of a domain to control management of a given service. A Maintenance Intermediate Point (MIP) is used within the domain, between MEPs, to aid in operating and maintaining the service.

The eight Maintenance Domain (MD) levels are grouped, as follows:

- Subscriber MD: The Subscriber MD, typically at levels 5-7, are allocated for the Subscriber to use for managing the service within the Subscriber's domain, e.g., from CE to CE.
- Service Provider MD: The Service Provider MD, typically at levels 3-4, are allocated for the Service Provider to use for managing the service within the Service Provider's domain, e.g., from UNI-to-UNI.
- Operator MD: The Operator MD, typically at levels 1-2, are allocated for the Operator to use for managing the service from within the Operator's domain.
- UNI Maintenance Entity (UNI ME): The UNI ME, typically at level 0, is allocated for managing the UNI link.

For the purpose of this section, only the Subscriber MD is considered. The Service Provider and Operator MDs do not cross the UNI, hence are not involved in the definitions of the Ethernet Services. In addition, requirements for the UNI ME will be addressed in future MEF Implementation Agreements.

The Service Provider and Subscriber **SHOULD** agree on the allocation of one or more Subscriber MD levels for a given Ethernet service.

Since the higher MD levels have wider scope, the agreed Subscriber MD levels **MUST** be higher than any MD-levels used by the Service Provider to monitor that EVC.

For example, a Service Provider and Subscriber could agree on two Subscriber MD levels and, therefore, agree on MD levels 6 and 7 for use by the Subscriber. This would leave MD level 5 for possible use by the Service Provider, in addition to the Service Provider MD levels outlined before.

Also, a Service Provider **MAY** configure MIPs in the MEN at the lowest agreed Subscriber MD level.

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Requirements for the agreed upon Subscriber MD levels are specified in the following subsections for each of three protocols: Continuity Check, Link Trace, and Loopback.

9.1.1 Subscriber MD, Continuity Check

The Subscriber MD Continuity Check (CC) function allows the Subscriber to check continuity for a given EVC across the entire service using a CC Message (CCM), sent from one MEP to another MEP. For services with more than two MEPs, CCMs would be enabled on all MEPs, such that each MEP would send CCMs to all of its peers.

A Subscriber could send CCMs at a fast rate to quickly detect service failures, and perhaps switch the service to a back-up protected path. Another use case could be to use CCMs at a slower rate, and use the results to track the service performance. A third use case is to use CCMs for basic fault management, i.e., detecting loss of continuity or unintended connectivity among MEPs.

The MAC Destination Addresses reserved for CCMs at MD levels 0-7 are specified in IEEE 802.1ag [11].

Since MIPs are not involved in processing the Subscriber MD CCMs, the Service Provider can play no role in this protocol, other than tunneling it. Thus, for any of the Ethernet services defined in this document, a CCM at an agreed upon Subscriber MD level with the corresponding MAC Destination Address **MUST** be tunneled.

The following requirements are specified to determine the CoS of a tunneled Subscriber MD level CCM.

For an EVC with a single CoS, the tunneled CCM frame **MUST** use the CoS of the EVC.

For an EVC with multiple CoS, the requirements are dependent on the Class of Service Identification (CoS ID) used for a given EVC.

- Where PCP is used for CoS ID, the CoS for a tunneled CCM frame MUST be determined solely by the PCP field of the CCM frame. The Subscriber SHOULD map Subscriber MD level CCMs to a PCP value that results in a CoS with the lowest loss.
- Where DSCP is used for CoS ID, the CoS ID for a tunneled CCM frame SHOULD be agreed upon by the Subscriber and Service Provider (the same CoS ID for all non-IP packets).

9.1.2 Subscriber MD, Link Trace

The Subscriber MD Link Trace (LT) function allows the Subscriber to trace the path for a given EVC across the entire service using a LT Message (LTM), which is sent on demand from one MEP towards a target MEP (or a target MIP). If a MIP is configured inside the MEN at the same MD level as set in the LTM, the MIP would respond with a LT Response (LTR) to the source

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MEP, and relay the original LTM towards the target, with the TTL field decremented. We refer to this process as peering. If there is no MIP configured inside the MEN, then the LTM is expected to be tunneled through the service.

The MAC Destination Addresses reserved for LTs at MD levels 0-7 are specified in IEEE 802.1ag [11].

There are two sets of requirements for LT. The first scenario is where one or more MIPs are configured in the MEN at an agreed Subscriber MD level. The other is the case where a MIP is not configured in the MEN at an agreed Subscriber MD level.

For any of the Ethernet services defined in this document where at least one MIP is configured inside the MEN at an agreed Subscriber MD level, a LT message at an agreed upon Subscriber MD level with the corresponding MAC Destination Address **MUST** be peered or discarded. For link trace, peering means that the MIP responds and the LT message is forwarded per the Service OAM standards.

For any of the Ethernet services defined in this document where a MIP is not configured in the MEN at an agreed Subscriber MD level, a LT message at an agreed upon Subscriber MD level with the corresponding MAC Destination Address **MUST** be tunneled.

9.1.3 Subscriber MD, Loopback

The Subscriber MD Loopback (LB) function allows the Subscriber to ping a target MEP or MIP using an LB Message (LBM), which is sent on demand from one MEP towards the target MEP or MIP. If a MIP is configured inside the MEN at the same MD level as set in the LBM, and if the target for the LBM is the MIP itself, then the MIP would respond with a LB Response (LBR) to the source MEP. We refer to this process as peering. If there is no MIP configured inside the MEN, or if the target for the LBM is not any of the MIPs inside the MEN, then the LBM is expected to be tunneled through the service.

An LBM may be sent with a unicast or multicast DA. In the case of multicast LBM, the MAC DA values are the same as those for CCM. An LBR always uses a unicast DA. For cases where a multicast DA is used in the LBM frame, the target is all MEPs in the MD. Any MIP along the path is expected to ignore (relay) such a frame.

There are three sets of requirements for LB. The first scenario is where the Subscriber uses a unicast MAC DA for the target and one or more MIPs are configured in the MEN at an agreed Subscriber MD level. The second case is where the Subscriber uses a unicast MAC DA for the target and a MIP is not configured in the MEN at an agreed Subscriber MD level. The third case is where the Subscriber uses a multicast MAC DA for the target, regardless of whether there is a MIP at an agreed Subscriber MD level or not configured in the MEN.

For any of the Ethernet services defined in this document where the Subscriber uses a unicast MAC DA for the target and at least one MIP is configured inside the MEN at an agreed

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Subscriber MD level, a LB message at an agreed upon Subscriber MD level with a target unicast DA equal to the MAC address of a MIP in the MEN **MUST** be peered or discarded. Such a control mechanism could be used by a Service Provider to minimize the impact of LBMs on the MEN. A LB message at an agreed upon Subscriber MD level with a target unicast DA not equal to the MAC address of any MIP inside the MEN **MUST** be tunneled.

For any of the Ethernet services defined in this document where the Subscriber uses a unicast MAC DA for the target and a MIP is not configured inside the MEN at an agreed Subscriber MD level, a LB message at an agreed upon Subscriber MD level **MUST** be tunneled.

For any of the Ethernet services defined in this document where the Subscriber uses a multicast MAC DA for the target, a LB message at an agreed upon Subscriber MD level with the corresponding MAC DA **MUST** be tunneled.

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11. Appendix A: MEF and IEEE 802.1 Terminology (Informative)

There are many cases where some protocols need to be tunneled. One example is when a Subscriber has bridge CEs at various sites that are connected via an Ethernet service, with back door connections among the sites. In this case, the service needs to tunnel the Subscriber spanning tree BPDUs so the Subscriber can ensure a loop free topology among his CEs. Other L2CPs may need to be handled differently, e.g., PAUSE frames may need to be discarded.

MEF defines these options in terms of service attributes, i.e., what the Subscriber can expect end-to-end across the network. On the other hand, IEEE 802.1 defines terms local to a bridge function, e.g., a Provider Bridge S-VLAN component must forward (relay) Subscriber spanning tree frames. Since networks can be composed of different types of network elements, some of which may be bridges and some not, there is a need for MEF terms to characterize the service attributes, while understanding the Provider Bridge terms.

Some of the requirements in Section 8 of this document assume alignment with the IEEE 802.1ad, Provider Bridges [10] specification. This subsection is intended to provide a mapping of MEF L2CP terms to IEEE 802.1 bridge terminology with respect to Layer 2 Control Protocol (L2CP) processing options for the various L2CPs identified in this specification.

As defined in [2], MEF allows for three L2CP processing options for each L2CP. These are briefly described below:

- 'Peer' means that the MEN will participate in the protocol.
- 'Tunnel' means that an ingress L2CP frame at a given UNI gets delivered unchanged to each of the destination UNIs. The requirement is that all UNIs in the EVC must tunnel the same protocols. In 802.1 terms, the L2CP is forwarded through the bridge relay.
- 'Discard' means that the MEN will ignore the L2CP frame, i.e., it will not participate in the protocol and it will not forward the frame.

Table 37 summarizes the correlation of terms:

| MEF Term | IEEE 802.1 Term | |
|----------|------------------------------|--|
| Peer | Participate | |
| Tunnel | Forward (relay) | |
| Discard | Not forward, Not participate | |

Table 37: MEF and IEEE 802.1 terms for L2CP Processing Options

12. Appendix B: Practical Examples of Ethernet Services (Informative)

This appendix provides service instance examples of the E-Line, E-LAN, and E-Tree Service Types defined in Section 6. These service examples are assumed to be offered by a hypothetical metro Service Provider, ACME, offering a portfolio of turbo-charged Ethernet services.

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Table 38 is used for defining an example of the EVC performance attributes, parameters, and values associated with each of the Classes of Service offered by ACME. For simplicity, it is assumed that the values for the performance parameters shown below apply to all Ethernet services, i.e., E-Line, E-LAN, and E-Tree services. In actuality, Service Providers may offer different CoS and associated performance attribute objectives for the three service types. Also, since the objective values can be controversial and have wide variance among Service Providers, actual numbers are not used for the objective values.

Table 38 is used as a reference for Ethernet Services in each of the examples in the following subsections.

| Example of Turbo-Charged Ethernet Services offered by the ACME Service Provider | | | | | |
|---|--|-----------|----------------------------------|------------|--|
| EVC Performance | Class of Service Offering | | | | |
| Attribute | Parameters | Krypton | Argon | Neon | |
| CoS ID (Priority Code Point value) | N/A | PCP=5 | PCP=4 | PCP=0 | |
| | Subset of ordered UNI pairs (S) | All | All | All | |
| Frame Delay (FD) | FD Objective | X ms | Y ms (Y>X) | Z ms (Z>Y) | |
| | Percentile (P) | 95% | 95% | 95% | |
| | Time interval (T) | 1 hour | 1 hour | 1 hour | |
| | Subset of ordered UNI pairs (S) | All | All | All | |
| | FDV objective | Q ms | N/S | N/S | |
| Frame Delay Variation (FDV) | Percentile (P) | 95% | N/S | N/S | |
| | Time interval (T) | 1 hour | N/S | N/S | |
| | Pair interval (Δt) | 100 ms | N/S | N/S | |
| E I D ((EID) | Subset of ordered UNI pairs (S) | All | All | All | |
| Frame Loss Ratio (FLR) | FLR Objective | A% | B% (B>A) | C% (C>B) | |
| | Time interval (T) | 1 hour | 1 hour | 1 hour | |
| | Subset of UNI pairs (S) | All | All | All | |
| | Availability Objective | α% | $\beta\%$ (β < α) | γ% (γ< β) | |
| | Time interval (T) | 1 month | 1 month | 1 month | |
| Availability | Number of consecutive small time intervals (n) | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Availability | Small time interval (Δt) | 2 minutes | 2 minutes | 2 minutes | |
| | Unavailability frame loss ratio threshold (Cu) | 50% | 75% | 100% | |
| | Availability frame loss ratio threshold (Ca) | 0% | 25% | 50% | |

Table 38: EVC Performance Attributes and Parameters per CoS Offering

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In Table 38, the value 'All' in the 'Subset of ordered UNI pairs' entries, means that all possible ordered pairs of UNIs are included in the offering. The reader is directed to [2] for precise definitions of the CoS attributes and parameters.

Table 39 is used for defining the Layer 2 Control Protocol (L2CP) processing options used by a given Service Provider at a UNI. Different L2CP processing options are used for All-to-One Bundled (port-based services) and Service Multiplexed (VLAN-based services) UNIs. This table is used as a reference for each of the examples in the following subsections. It is assumed that the L2CP protocol and MAC address pair specified in Section 8 of this document is the one used for the indicated protocol.

| Lavar 2 Cantual Duatagal | Port-based Services | | VLAN-based Services | |
|---------------------------------|--|---------|--|--|
| Layer 2 Control Protocol | PB1 | PB2 | VLAN-based Services | |
| Spanning Tree Protocols | Tunnel | Tunnel | Discard | |
| PAUSE (802.3x) | Discard | Discard | Discard | |
| LACP/LAMP | Discard (unprotected UNI) Peer (protected UNI) | Tunnel | Discard (unprotected UNI) Peer (protected UNI) | |
| Link OAM | Peer | Tunnel | Peer | |
| Port Authentication (802.1x) | Discard | Tunnel | Discard | |
| E-LMI | Peer | Tunnel | Peer | |
| LLDP | Discard | Tunnel | Discard | |
| GARP/MRP | Tunnel | Tunnel | Discard | |

Table 39: L2CP Attribute and Parameters per Service Offering

12.1 EXAMPLE: A TRANSPORT-ORIENTED ETHERNET PRIVATE LINE (EPL) SERVICE FOR PRIVATE DATA NETWORKING APPLICATIONS.

A popular application of transport-oriented (or circuit-like) EPL services is to provide an interconnect service between routing or switching equipment in an enterprise's private data network. This need may arise when a subscriber wishes to manage its own networking infrastructure and desires a transport service that emulates as close as possible a dedicated circuit. In such scenario, the MEN provides point-to-point interconnect services between 2 designated UNI-N ports at a given POP(s) and allocates transport resources according to the desired circuit rate (typically the UNI port speed).

Since the subscriber wishes to manage its own packet network infrastructure the EPL service must be configured to be highly transparent to the subscriber traffic. Transparency here implies expectations for minimal interaction with client's data frames, including associated management and control traffic between the subscriber's routers and switches. It also implies expectations for minimal flow variability to be introduced into the client's data stream (i.e., circuit-like forwarding).

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The service architecture is illustrated in Figure 12 below. The red dots represent the MEN UNIs and the red dash represents the EVC instance that realizes the EPL service.

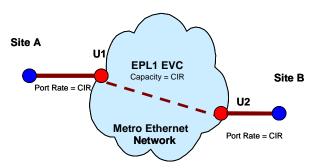


Figure 12: Example of Transport-Oriented Private Data Network Interconnect Using the EPL Service

The traffic pattern is that the subscriber data, management and control frames are sent from UNI to UNI over a symmetric path. Routing/switching equipment on the subscriber side may send their own L2 control messages without interference from the MEN.

In the case where the Service Provider wishes to have redundancy, a back-up EVC may be used with some redundancy protocol to ensured that only one of the EVCs is active at any time. Alternatively, two similar EPL services may be instantiated between Sites A and B and allow for client-side protection (e.g., via LAG directly between switches on the subscriber site). For this case the suggested UNI attributes are depicted in Table 40.

| UNI Service Attribute | UNI 1 | UNI 2 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| UNI Identifier | U1 | U2 |
| Physical Medium | 1000BASE-SX | 1000BASE-LX |
| Speed | 1 Gbps | 1 Gbps |
| Mode | FDX | FDX |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 | IEEE 802.3-2005 |
| UNI MTU Size | 1522 | 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | No | No |
| Bundling | No | No |
| All to One Bundling | Yes | Yes |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames | NA | NA |
| Maximum number of EVCs | 1 | 1 |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | N/A | N/A |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | N/A | N/A |
| L2CP Processing | Table 39, PB2 | Table 39, PB2 |

Table 40: UNI attributes for the Private Data Networking example using EPL Service

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Table 41 provides the EVC per UNI attributes for the Private Data Networking example.

| UNI Service Attribute | UNIs 1 | UNI 2 |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| UNI EVC ID | U1_EPL1 | U2_EPL1 |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | All Service Frames at the UNI map to a single EPL EVC | All Service Frames at the UNI map to a single EPL EVC |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | N/A | N/A |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | CoS ID = EVC CIR=1Gbps, CBS=1522, EIR=0, EBS=0, color blind, CF=0 | CoS ID = EVC CIR=1Gbps, CBS=1522, EIR=0, EBS=0, color blind, CF=0 |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | N/A | N/A |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | N/A | N/A |

Table 41: EVC per UNI attributes for the private data networking example using EPL Service

Table 42 provides the EVC attributes for the private data networking example.

| EVC Service Attribute | EVC_1 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| EVC Type | Point-to-Point |
| EVC ID | EPL1 |
| UNI List | {U1, U2} |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | 2 |
| EVC MTU size | 1522 |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | Yes |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | Yes |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing | Table 39, PB2 |
| Service Performance | Krypton CoS |

Table 42: EVC service attributes for the private data networking example using the EPL Service

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12.2 EXAMPLE OF A PACKET-ORIENTED ETHERNET PRIVATE LINE SERVICE FOR PUBLIC DATA NETWORKING APPLICATIONS

A popular application of packet-oriented (or statistical) EPL services is to provide an interconnect service between routing or switching equipment in an enterprise via a public data networking service. This need arises when a subscriber wishes to interconnect multiple sites but does not wish to manage the intermediate datacom facilities. In such scenario, the MEN provides point-to-point interconnect services between 2 designated UNI-N ports at a given POP(s) and allocates transport resources according to the anticipate traffic volume between the sites (typically less than the UNI port speed).

Since the subscriber does not wish to manage its own packet network infrastructure there is little expectation for data flow symmetry or transparency. The service interfaces at the UNIs may operate at different rates, bandwidth allocation traffic at each UNI may also be asymmetric. Non-essential traffic may be forwarded according to resource availability (i.e., statistical multiplexing).

The service architecture is illustrated in Figure 13 below. The red dots represent the MEN UNIs and the red dash represents the EVC instance that realizes the EPL service.

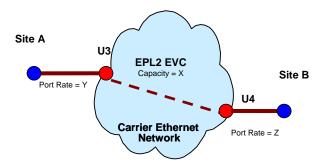


Figure 13: Example of Transport-Oriented Public Data Network Interconnect Using the EPL Service.

The traffic pattern is that the subscriber data, management and control frames are sent from UNI to UNI over a potentially asymmetric path. Different levels of performance applicable depending on the traffic type (potentially indicated via PCP marking). Non-essential L2 control messages are typically discarded.

In the case where the Service Provider wishes to have redundancy, a back-up EVC may be used with some redundancy protocol to ensure that only one of the EVCs is active at any time. The UNI link may also be protected via link aggregation. For this case the suggested UNI attributes are depicted in Table 43.



| UNI Service Attribute | UNI 3 | UNI 4 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| UNI Identifier | U3 | U4 |
| Physical Medium | 1000BASE-SX | 100BASE-TX |
| Speed | 1 Gbps | 100 Mbps |
| Mode | FDX | FDX |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 | IEEE 802.3-2005 |
| UNI MTU Size | 1522 | 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | No | No |
| Bundling | No | No |
| All to One Bundling | Yes | Yes |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames | NA | NA |
| Maximum number of EVCs | 1 | 1 |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile UNI | N/A | N/A |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | N/A | N/A |
| L2CP Processing | Table 39, PB1 | Table 39, PB1 |

Table 43: UNI attributes for the Private Data Networking example using EPL Service

Table 44 provides the EVC per UNI attributes for the Private Data Networking example.

| UNI Service Attribute | UNI 3 | UNI 4 |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| UNI EVC ID | U3_EPL2 | U4_EPL2 |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | All Service Frames at the UNI map to a single EPL EVC | All Service Frames at the UNI map to a single EPL EVC |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | N/A | N/A |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | PCP = 5: CIR=20Mbps, CBS=10k, EIR=0, EBS=0, color blind, CF=0 PCP = 0: CIR=10Mbps, CBS=50k, EIR=0, EBS=0, color blind, CF=0 | PCP = 5: CIR=30 Mbps, CBS=10k, EIR=0, EBS=0, color blind, CF=0 PCP = 0: CIR=5 Mbps, CBS=10k, EIR=10 Mbps, EBS=50K, color blind, CF=0 |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | N/A | N/A |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | N/A | N/A |

Table 44: EVC per UNI attributes for the public data networking example using EPL Service

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| Table 45 provides the | e EVC attributes | for the public d | lata networking example. |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | |

| EVC Service Attribute | EVC_1 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| EVC Type | Point-to-Point |
| EVC ID | EPL2 |
| UNI List | {U3, U4} |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | 2 |
| EVC MTU size | 1522 |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | Yes |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | Yes |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing | Table 39, PB1 |
| Service Performance | CoS ID=5: Krypton CoS |
| Service i eriormance | CoS ID=0: Neon CoS |

Table 45: EVC service attributes for the public data networking example using the EPL Service

12.3 EXAMPLE: ETHERNET PRIVATE TREE (EP-TREE) SERVICE FOR VIDEO BROADCAST

One example of using the EP-Tree service is for a video broadcast application. In this scenario, a video head-end is located in a POP (this UNI is designated as a Root) providing a service to multiple subscribers (each connected to a UNI designated as a Leaf). The service might offer multiple broadcast channels.

In the case where all channels are to be delivered to each of the subscribers, this service is unidirectional (no traffic from Leaf to Root). In this mode, scalability is enhanced compared to E-Line services.

However, if each subscriber needs just a subset of the available channels, then each location (connected to a Leaf UNI) may receive a specific channel. The signaling of the desired channel could be done via a standard multicast protocol (IGMPv3 for example).

We denote these cases as A and B, respectively. The service architecture is illustrated in Figure 14 below. The blue dots represent Root UNIs and the red dots represent Leaf UNIs for this EVC.

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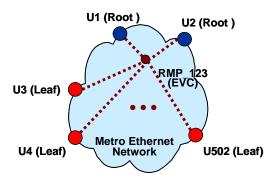


Figure 14: Example of Video Broadcast Delivery Using the EP-Tree Service

The traffic pattern is that the video content is sent from the video head-end towards the receiving subscribers, while each such subscriber may send control messages to the video head-end.

In the case where the Service Provider wishes to have redundancy, two Root UNIs may be used with some redundancy protocol ensuring that only one of them transmits data into the EVC.

For this case the suggested UNI attributes are depicted in Table 46.

| UNI Service Attribute | Root UNIs | Leaf UNIs | |
|--|-------------------------------|---|--|
| UNI Identifier | U1 (primary), U2 (back-up) | U3 → U502 | |
| Physical Medium | 1000BASE-LX | 100BASE-TX | |
| Speed | 1 Gbps | 100 Mbps | |
| Mode | FDX | FDX | |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 | IEEE 802.3-2005 | |
| UNI MTU Size | 1522 | 1522 | |
| Service Multiplexing | No | No | |
| Bundling | No | No | |
| All to One Bundling | Yes | Yes | |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames | 1 (but not significant) | 1 (but not significant | |
| Maximum number of EVCs | 1 | 1 | |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | N/A ⁷ | CIR=1 Mbps, CBS=10KB, EIR=0, EBS=0, color blind, CF=0 ⁸ | |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | N/A | N/A | |
| L2CP Processing | Table 39, PB1 | Table 39, PB1 | |

Table 46: UNI attributes for the video broadcast example using EP-Tree Service

⁸ Minimal traffic from Leaf to Root.

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⁷ Video source may be considered trusted and constant bit rate.



| Table 47 provides the EVC | per UNI attributes for t | he video broadcast example | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Table 17 provides the E ve | ger ern attributes for t | me viaco broadcast champie. | |

| UNI Service Attribute | UNIs 1 & 2 | UNIs 3 → 502 |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| UNI EVC ID | U1_RMP123, U2_RMP123 | U1_RMP123, U502_RMP123 |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC Map | All Service Frames at the UNI map to a single Rooted-Multipoint EVC | All Service Frames at the UNI map to a single Rooted-Multipoint EVC |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | N/A | N/A |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | N/A | N/A |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per EVC | N/A | N/A |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID | N/A | N/A |

Table 47: EVC per UNI attributes for the video broadcast example using EP-Tree Service

Table 48 provides the EVC attributes for the video broadcast example.

| EVC Service Attribute | EVC_1 |
|--|---|
| EVC Type | Rooted-Multipoint |
| EVC ID | RMP_123 |
| UNI List | {U1, Root/U2, Root/U3, Leaf/U4, Leaf//U502, Leaf} |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | 5029 |
| EVC MTU size | 1522 |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | Yes |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | Yes |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Conditionally: only deliver content subscribed to on a given Leaf UNI |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing | Table 39, PB1 |
| EVC Performance (for all ordered UNI pairs where at least one UNI in each pair is of type Root). | Krypton CoS |

Table 48: EVC service attributes for the video broadcast example using EP-Tree Service

12.4 EXAMPLE: DISTANCE LEARNING (EVP-TREE) AND BUSINESS DATA (EVP-LAN)

In this example, we build a more complex scenario for an E-Tree type of service and overlay it with an E-LAN type of service. All Subscriber locations are connected with two EVCs: EVP-LAN service is used for a business data application, and EVP-tree service is used for a distance learning application, which is based on IP video.

⁹ 502 allows for up to 500 video receivers (Leaf UNIs) in this service instance

| 202 the West of the 200 video receivers (Eeth Civile) in this service instance | | | | |
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Since the same UNIs are used for both services, service multiplexing is required at each UNI, and separate bandwidth profiles are needed to ensure that the services do not adversely affect each other. For the E-LAN service, bundling is required to ensure CE-VLAN ID transparency in the range indicated in Table 50. For the E-Tree service, bundling is not required. Figure 15 below shows this example. The blue dots represent Root UNIs and the red dots represent Leaf UNIs for the two EVCs. Each EVC has a single Class of Service, Neon for MP_111 and Krypton for RMP 333.

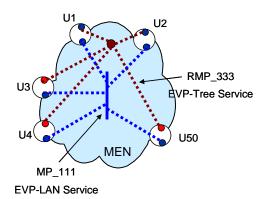


Figure 15: Example of Distance Learning and Business Data Using EVP-LAN and EVP-Tree Services

The suggested UNI attributes are shown in Table 49 below.

| UNI Service Attribute | UNIs 1 & 2 | UNIs 3 → 50 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| UNI Identifier | U1, U2 | U3 → U50 |
| Physical Medium | 1000BASE-LX | 100BASE-TX |
| Speed | 1 Gbps | 100 Mbps |
| Mode | FDX | FDX |
| MAC Layer | IEEE 802.3-2005 | IEEE 802.3-2005 |
| UNI MTU Size | 1522 | 1522 |
| Service Multiplexing | Yes | Yes |
| Bundling | Yes | Yes |
| All to One Bundling | No | No |
| CE-VLAN ID for untagged and priority tagged Service Frames | 1 | 1 |
| Maximum number of EVCs | 10 | 5 |
| Ingress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | N/A | N/A |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per UNI | N/A | N/A |
| L2CP Processing | Table 39, VLAN-based | Table 39, VLAN-based |

Table 49: UNI attributes for the distance learning, business data example

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The suggested EVC per UNI attributes are shown in Table 50 below. For table simplicity, only UNI 1 and UNI 50 are shown. It is expected that attributes for UNI 1 and 2 are similar and that UNIs 3-50 are similar to each other.

| EVC per UNI Service Attribute | | UNIs 1 & 2 | | UNIs 3-50 | |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | | EVC_1 | EVC_2 | EVC_1 | EVC_2 |
| UNI EVC ID | | U1_MP111 | U1_RMP333 | U50_MP111 | U50_RMP333 |
| CE-VLAN ID / EVC M | ap | 11-3999 | 4000 | 11-3999 | 4000 |
| | CIR (Mbps) | 20 | N/A | 20 | N/A |
| Ingress Bandwidth | CBS (KB) | 50 | N/A | 50 | N/A |
| Profile Per CoS ID of | EIR (Mbps) | 20 | N/A | 20 | N/A |
| 'EVC' for Neon CoS | EBS (KB) | 50 | N/A | 50 | N/A |
| on EVC_1 | CM | Color Blind | N/A | Color Blind | N/A |
| | CF | 0 | N/A | 0 | N/A |
| | CIR (Mbps) | N/A | 10 | N/A | 10 |
| Ingress Bandwidth | CBS (KB) | N/A | 20 | N/A | 20 |
| Profile Per CoS ID of | EIR (Mbps) | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 |
| 'EVC' for Krypton | EBS (KB) | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 |
| CoS on EVC_2 | CM | N/A | Color Blind | N/A | Color Blind |
| | CF | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 |
| | CIR (Mbps) | 20 | N/A | 20 | N/A |
| | CBS (KB) | 70 | N/A | 70 | N/A |
| Egress Bandwidth Profile Per CoS ID of | EIR (Mbps) | 20 | N/A | 20 | N/A |
| 'EVC' for Neon CoS | EBS (KB) | 70 | N/A | 70 | N/A |
| | CM | Color Blind | N/A | Color Blind | N/A |
| | CF | 1 | N/A | 1 | N/A |
| | CIR (Mbps) | N/A | 10 | N/A | 1 |
| Egress Bandwidth | CBS (KB) | N/A | 20 | N/A | 15 |
| Profile Per CoS ID of | EIR (Mbps) | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 |
| 'EVC' for Krypton | EBS (KB) | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 |
| CoS | CM | N/A | Color Blind | N/A | Color Blind |
| | CF | N/A | 0 | N/A | 0 |

Table 50: EVC per UNI attributes for the distance learning, business data example



The suggested EVC service attributes and parameter values are shown in Table 51 below for each of the EVCs in this example.

| EVC Service Attribute | EVC-1 | EVC_2 | |
|---|--|---|--|
| EVC Type | Multipoint-to-Multipoint | Rooted-Multipoint | |
| EVC ID | MP_111 | RMP_333 | |
| UNI List | {U1, Root/U2, Root//U50, Root} | {U1, Root/U2, Root/U3, Leaf//U50, Leaf} | |
| Maximum Number of UNIs | 100 | 50 | |
| EVC MTU size | 1522 | 1522 | |
| CE-VLAN ID Preservation | Yes | No | |
| CE-VLAN CoS Preservation | Yes | No | |
| Unicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Conditionally: for known D-MACs only to destination UNI; for unknown D-MACs, deliver unconditionally to all destination UNIs | Deliver Unconditionally | |
| Multicast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally | Deliver Conditionally: only deliver content subscribed to on a given Leaf UNI | |
| Broadcast Service Frame Delivery | Deliver Unconditionally | Deliver Unconditionally | |
| Layer 2 Control Protocols Processing | Table 39, VLAN-based | Table 39, VLAN-based | |
| EVC Performance | Neon CoS (for all ordered UNI pairs) | Krypton CoS (for all ordered UNI pairs where at least one UNI in each pair is of type Root) | |

Table 51: EVC attributes for the distance learning, business data example