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ISSUE NOTIFICATION

The projected patent number and issue date are specified above.

Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b) (application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment is 0 day(s). Any patent to issue from the above-identified application will include an indication of the adjustment on the front page.

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

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Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571)-272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Application Assistance Unit (AAU) of the Office of Data Management (ODM) at (571)-272-4200.

APPLICANT(s) (Please see PAIR WEB site <http://pair.uspto.gov> for additional applicants):

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CREDO TECHNOLOGY GROUP LIMITED, Grand Cayman, CAYMAN ISLANDS;
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99) Change(s) applied to document,	Application Number		16552927	
	Filing Date		2019-08-27	
	First Named Inventor	Junqing SUN		
	Art Unit	2632		
	Examiner Name	Malek, Leila		
Attorney Docket Number		20160.0031.NPUS00		

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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/L.M/	1	Information Technology - Open Systems Interconnection - Basic Reference Model: The Basic Model, 1994	

Document Description: Issue Fee Payment (PTO-85B)

Issue Fee Transmittal Form

Application Number	Filing Date	First Named Inventor	Atty. Docket No.	Confirmation No.
16552927	27-Aug-2019	Junqing SUN	20160.0031.NPUS00	1683

TITLE OF INVENTION :

SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING ADAPTABLE PRESET COEFFICIENT REGISTERS

Entity Status	Application Type	Art Unit	Class - Subclass	EXAMINER
Regular Undiscounted	Utility under 35 USC 111(a)	2632	219000	LEILA MALEK
Issue Fee Due	Publication Due	Total Fee(s) Due	Date Due	Prev. Paid Fee
\$1200	\$0	\$1200	30-Jun-2021	\$0

1.Change of Correspondence Address and/or Indication Of Fee Address (37 CFR 1.33 & 1.363)

Current Correspondence Address:	Current Indicated Fee Address :
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☐ Change of correspondence address requested, system generated AIA/122-EFS form attached	☐ Fee Address indication requested, system generated SB/47-EFS form attached

2.Entity Status**Change in Entity Status**

Applicant certifying micro entity status; system generated Micro Entity certification form attached. See 37 CFR 1.29.

Note: Absent a valid certification of micro entity status, issue fee payment in the micro entity amount will not be accepted at the risk of application abandonment. If this box is checked, you will be prompted to choose a micro entity status on the gross income basis (37 CFR 1.29(a)) or the institution of higher education basis (37 CFR 1.29(d)), and make the applicable certification online.



Applicant asserting small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Note: If the application was previously under micro entity status, checking this box will be taken to be a notification of loss of entitlement to micro entity status.



Applicant changing to regular undiscounted fee status.

Note: Checking this box will be taken to be a notification of loss of entitlement to small or micro entity status, as applicable.



Document Description: Issue Fee Payment (PTO-85B)

3.The Following Fee(s) Are Submitted:☒ Issue Fee☐ I authorize USPTO to apply my previously paid issue fee to the current fees due☐ Publication Fee☐ The Director is hereby authorized to apply my previously paid issue fee to the current fee due and to charge deficient fees to Deposit Account Number _____☐ Advance Order - # of copies _____☐ If **in addition to** the payment of the issue fee amount submitted with this form, there are any discrepancies in any amount(s) due, the Director is authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number _____.
The **issue fee must be submitted** with this form. **If payment of the issue fee does not accompany this form, checking this box and providing a deposit account number will NOT be effective to satisfy full payment of the fee(s) due.****4.Firm and/or Attorney Names To Be Printed****NOTE: If no name is listed, no name will be printed**

For printing on the patent front page, list to be displayed as entered

1. RAMEY & SCHWALLER LLP

2. Daniel J. Krueger

3.

5.Assignee Name(s) and Residence Data To Be Printed

PLEASE NOTE: Unless an assignee is identified below, no assignee data will appear on the patent. If an assignee is identified below, the document has been filed for recordation as set forth in 37 CFR 3.11. Completion of this form is NOT a substitute for filing an assignment.

Name	City	State	Country	Category
CREDO TECHNOLOGY GROUP LIMITED	Grand Cayman		cayman islands	corporation

6.Signature

I certify, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4(d)(4) that I am an attorney or agent registered to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office who has filed and has been granted power of attorney in this application. I also certify that this Fee(s) Transmittal form is being transmitted to the USPTO via EFS-WEB on the date indicated below.

Signature	/Daniel J. Krueger/	Date	05-06-2021
Name	Daniel Joseph Krueger	Registration Number	42771

Electronic Patent Application Fee Transmittal				
Application Number:		16552927		
Filing Date:		27-Aug-2019		
Title of Invention:		SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING ADAPTABLE PRESET COEFFICIENT REGISTERS		
First Named Inventor/Applicant Name:		Junqing SUN		
Filer:		Daniel Joseph Krueger/Theresa Evenbly		
Attorney Docket Number:		20160.0031.NPUS00		
Filed as Large Entity				
Filing Fees for Utility under 35 USC 111(a)				
Description	Fee Code	Quantity	Amount	Sub-Total in USD(\$)
Basic Filing:				
UTILITY APPL ISSUE FEE	1501	1	1200	1200
PUBL. FEE- EARLY, VOLUNTARY, OR NORMAL	1504	1	0	0
Pages:				
Claims:				
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Extension-of-Time:				
Miscellaneous:				
Total in USD (\$)				1200

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Document Number	Document Description	File Name	File Size(Bytes)/ Message Digest	Multi Part /.zip	Pages (if appl.)
1	Issue Fee Payment (PTO-85B)	Web85b.pdf	46387	no	2
			020bee63df1d5f0f2eb4fd863ad7aa9a72064fd8		
Warnings:					
Information:					
2	Fee Worksheet (SB06)	fee-info.pdf	32347	no	2
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<p>This Acknowledgement Receipt evidences receipt on the noted date by the USPTO of the indicated documents, characterized by the applicant, and including page counts, where applicable. It serves as evidence of receipt similar to a Post Card, as described in MPEP 503.</p> <p><u>New Applications Under 35 U.S.C. 111</u> If a new application is being filed and the application includes the necessary components for a filing date (see 37 CFR 1.53(b)-(d) and MPEP 506), a Filing Receipt (37 CFR 1.54) will be issued in due course and the date shown on this Acknowledgement Receipt will establish the filing date of the application.</p> <p><u>National Stage of an International Application under 35 U.S.C. 371</u> If a timely submission to enter the national stage of an international application is compliant with the conditions of 35 U.S.C. 371 and other applicable requirements a Form PCT/DO/EO/903 indicating acceptance of the application as a national stage submission under 35 U.S.C. 371 will be issued in addition to the Filing Receipt, in due course.</p> <p><u>New International Application Filed with the USPTO as a Receiving Office</u> If a new international application is being filed and the international application includes the necessary components for an international filing date (see PCT Article 11 and MPEP 1810), a Notification of the International Application Number and of the International Filing Date (Form PCT/RO/105) will be issued in due course, subject to prescriptions concerning national security, and the date shown on this Acknowledgement Receipt will establish the international filing date of the application.</p>					



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MALEK, LEILA

ART UNIT

PAPER NUMBER

2632

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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
16/552,927	08/27/2019	Junqing SUN	20160.0031.NPUS00	1683

TITLE OF INVENTION: SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING ADAPTABLE PRESET COEFFICIENT REGISTERS

APPLN. TYPE	ENTITY STATUS	ISSUE FEE DUE	PUBLICATION FEE DUE	PREV. PAID ISSUE FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	UNDISCOUNTED	\$1200	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1200	06/30/2021

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE DOES NOT REFLECT A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE IN THIS APPLICATION. IF AN ISSUE FEE HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN PAID IN THIS APPLICATION (AS SHOWN ABOVE), THE RETURN OF PART B OF THIS FORM WILL BE CONSIDERED A REQUEST TO REAPPLY THE PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE TOWARD THE ISSUE FEE NOW DUE.

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I. Review the ENTITY STATUS shown above. If the ENTITY STATUS is shown as SMALL or MICRO, verify whether entitlement to that entity status still applies.

If the ENTITY STATUS is the same as shown above, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.

If the ENTITY STATUS is changed from that shown above, on PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL, complete section number 5 titled "Change in Entity Status (from status indicated above)".

For purposes of this notice, small entity fees are 1/2 the amount of undiscounted fees, and micro entity fees are 1/2 the amount of small entity fees.

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III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

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PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

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By fax, send to: (571)-273-2885

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I hereby certify that this Fee(s) Transmittal is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage for first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop ISSUE FEE address above, or being transmitted to the USPTO via EFS-Web or by facsimile to (571) 273-2885, on the date below.

(Typed or printed name)
(Signature)
(Date)

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EXAMINER	ART UNIT	CLASS-SUBCLASS
MALEK, LEILA	2632	375-219000

1. Change of correspondence address or indication of "Fee Address" (37 CFR 1.363).

☐ Change of correspondence address (or Change of Correspondence Address form PTO/SB/122) attached.

☐ "Fee Address" indication (or "Fee Address" Indication form PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-09 or more recent) attached. **Use of a Customer Number is required.**

2. For printing on the patent front page, list

(1) The names of up to 3 registered patent attorneys or agents OR, alternatively,

1 _____

(2) The name of a single firm (having as a member a registered attorney or agent) and the names of up to 2 registered patent attorneys or agents. If no name is listed, no name will be printed.

2 _____

3 _____

3. ASSIGNEE NAME AND RESIDENCE DATA TO BE PRINTED ON THE PATENT (print or type)

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(A) NAME OF ASSIGNEE

(B) RESIDENCE: (CITY and STATE OR COUNTRY)

Please check the appropriate assignee category or categories (will not be printed on the patent): ☐ Individual ☐ Corporation or other private group entity ☐ Government

4a. Fees submitted: ☐ Issue Fee ☐ Publication Fee (if required) ☐ Advance Order - # of Copies _____

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☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the required fee(s), any deficiency, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. _____

5. Change in Entity Status (from status indicated above)

☐ Applicant certifying micro entity status. See 37 CFR 1.29

☐ Applicant asserting small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

☐ Applicant changing to regular undiscounted fee status.

NOTE: Absent a valid certification of Micro Entity Status (see forms PTO/SB/15A and 15B), issue fee payment in the micro entity amount will not be accepted at the risk of application abandonment.

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Authorized Signature _____

Date _____

Typed or printed name _____

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DATE MAILED: 03/31/2021				

Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b) (Applications filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Office has discontinued providing a Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) calculation with the Notice of Allowance.

Section 1(h)(2) of the AIA Technical Corrections Act amended 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(3)(B)(i) to eliminate the requirement that the Office provide a patent term adjustment determination with the notice of allowance. See Revisions to Patent Term Adjustment, 78 Fed. Reg. 19416, 19417 (Apr. 1, 2013). Therefore, the Office is no longer providing an initial patent term adjustment determination with the notice of allowance. The Office will continue to provide a patent term adjustment determination with the Issue Notification Letter that is mailed to applicant approximately three weeks prior to the issue date of the patent, and will include the patent term adjustment on the patent. Any request for reconsideration of the patent term adjustment determination (or reinstatement of patent term adjustment) should follow the process outlined in 37 CFR 1.705.

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571)-272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at 1-(888)-786-0101 or (571)-272-4200.

OMB Clearance and PRA Burden Statement for PTOL-85 Part B

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The information collected by PTOL-85 Part B is required by 37 CFR 1.311. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 30 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. **DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

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The Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579) requires that you be given certain information in connection with your submission of the attached form related to a patent application or patent. Accordingly, pursuant to the requirements of the Act, please be advised that: (1) the general authority for the collection of this information is 35 U.S.C. 2(b)(2); (2) furnishing of the information solicited is voluntary; and (3) the principal purpose for which the information is used by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is to process and/or examine your submission related to a patent application or patent. If you do not furnish the requested information, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office may not be able to process and/or examine your submission, which may result in termination of proceedings or abandonment of the application or expiration of the patent.

The information provided by you in this form will be subject to the following routine uses:

1. The information on this form will be treated confidentially to the extent allowed under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a). Records from this system of records may be disclosed to the Department of Justice to determine whether disclosure of these records is required by the Freedom of Information Act.
2. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, in the course of presenting evidence to a court, magistrate, or administrative tribunal, including disclosures to opposing counsel in the course of settlement negotiations.
3. A record in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to a Member of Congress submitting a request involving an individual, to whom the record pertains, when the individual has requested assistance from the Member with respect to the subject matter of the record.
4. A record in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to a contractor of the Agency having need for the information in order to perform a contract. Recipients of information shall be required to comply with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(m).
5. A record related to an International Application filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization, pursuant to the Patent Cooperation Treaty.
6. A record in this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to another federal agency for purposes of National Security review (35 U.S.C. 181) and for review pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 218(c)).
7. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the Administrator, General Services, or his/her designee, during an inspection of records conducted by GSA as part of that agency's responsibility to recommend improvements in records management practices and programs, under authority of 44 U.S.C. 2904 and 2906. Such disclosure shall be made in accordance with the GSA regulations governing inspection of records for this purpose, and any other relevant (i.e., GSA or Commerce) directive. Such disclosure shall not be used to make determinations about individuals.
8. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to the public after either publication of the application pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b) or issuance of a patent pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 151. Further, a record may be disclosed, subject to the limitations of 37 CFR 1.14, as a routine use, to the public if the record was filed in an application which became abandoned or in which the proceedings were terminated and which application is referenced by either a published application, an application open to public inspection or an issued patent.
9. A record from this system of records may be disclosed, as a routine use, to a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency, if the USPTO becomes aware of a violation or potential violation of law or regulation.

Notice of Allowability	Application No. 16/552,927	Applicant(s) SUN et al.	
	Examiner LEILA MALEK	Art Unit 2632	AIA (FITF) Status Yes

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 03/16/2021.
☐ A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under **37 CFR 1.130(b)** was/were filed on _____.

2. ☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on _____; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.

3. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2-9, 11-13, 15-19 and 21-23. As a result of the allowed claim(s), you may be eligible to benefit from the **Patent Prosecution Highway** program at a participating intellectual property office for the corresponding application. For more information, please see http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/index.jsp or send an inquiry to **PPHfeedback@uspto.gov**.

4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
Certified copies:
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some *c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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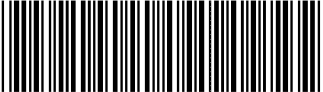
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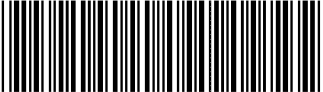
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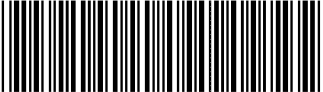
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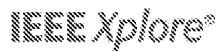
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L60	215	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH (EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 ((channel adj1 impulse) OR (channel adj1 model))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L61	0	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH (EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 ((channel adj1 impulse) OR (channel adj1 model)) AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L62	66	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH ((EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 channel) AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM

L63	11	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH ((EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 channel) AND ((pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L64	8	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH (channel adj1 model) AND ((pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L65	1	c2m AND (insertion adj1 loss) AND (package adj1 loss)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L66	2	((coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH ((performance adj1 characteristic\$1) OR (error adj1 signal adj1 (power OR energy)) OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L67	0	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (updated OR adjusted) adj3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L68	30	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (updated OR adjusted) adj3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 equaliz\$3	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L69	11	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L70	2	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable AND pre\$1equalizer\$1	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L71	2	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L72	0	(chip\$1to\$1module OR c2m) AND (port adj1 connect\$3) AND (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM
L73	364	(port adj1 connect\$3) AND (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:06 PM

L74	13	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L75	3	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver) AND (filter OR pre\$1equaliz\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L76	13	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L77	319	(port near2 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$5 near3 transceiver)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L78	3	(port near2 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$5 near3 transceiver) WITH (port adj1 transceiver)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L79	2	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficients OR taps OR weights OR (coefficient adj1 values) OR (tap adj1 values)) near5 (registers OR (storage adj1 units) OR memories)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L80	4	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (coefficients OR taps OR weights OR (coefficient adj1 values) OR (tap adj1 values)) near6 (registers OR (storage adj1 units) OR memories)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L81	1	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME ((coefficient OR tap OR weight) near2 set) near6 (register\$1 OR (storage adj1 unit\$1) OR ormemor\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L82	9	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME ((coefficient OR tap OR weight) near2 set) near6 (register\$1 OR (storage adj1 unit\$1) OR memor\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L83	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (each OR different OR several OR multiple) adj1 set\$1 near3 (coefficient OR tap OR weight)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM
L84	15	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (each OR different OR several OR multiple) adj1 set\$1 near3 (coefficient OR tap OR weight)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:06 AM

L85	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (port adj1 transmitter)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:06 AM
L86	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME3 (port adj1 transmitter)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:06 AM
L87	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port adj1 transmitter)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:06 AM
L88	22	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transmitter)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:06 AM
L89	55	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transmit\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:06 AM
L90	12	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transceiv\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L91	14	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near3 transceiv\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L92	3177	cable SAME (port near3 transceiv\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L93	1601	cable WITH (port near3 transceiv\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L94	2460	network WITH (port near1 transceiv\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L95	1497	network WITH (port adj1 transceiv\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L96	609	network near5(port adj1 transceiv\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L97	0	network near5 "port adj1 transceiv\$3"	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM

L98	0	"port adj1 transceiv\$3"	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L99	0	"port adj1 transceiver"	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L100	4775	"port transceiver"	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L101	550	"port transceiver" near5 network	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L102	483	"port transceiver" near5 network	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 11:06 AM
L103	1	(select\$3 near4 register) WITH pre\$1equaliz\$3 AND (sun.inv. OR qian.inv.)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 06:07 AM
L104	1	"20020141347" AND (model WITH coefficient\$1)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:07 PM
L105	1	"20020141347" AND (model WITH (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:07 PM
L106	160	(channel adj1 model) near4 (channel adj1 characteristic\$1)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:07 PM
L107	7	(channel adj1 model) WITH (pre\$1equalizer near3 (tap\$1 OR coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 04:07 PM
L108	1	"20130223506" AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH (fir OR filter\$3))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 10:07 PM
L109	839852	20100232493and (control\$4 near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR register\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 11:07 PM
L110	0	"20100232493" AND (control\$4 near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR register\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 11:07 PM

L111	2	"20100232493" AND (control\$4 WITH (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR register\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 11:07 PM
L112	2	"20100232493" AND (control\$4 WITH (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR register\$1)) AND (register WITH coefficient\$1)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 11:07 PM
L113	1	"20130201316" AND (connector WITH port)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/04 08:07 AM
L114	1	"20130201316" AND (connector SAME port)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/04 08:07 AM
L115	2	"20130201316" AND (plug\$4 SAME (modem OR transceiver))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/04 09:07 AM
L116	22	((performance adj1 characteristic\$1) OR (snr OR snir OR ber) OR (signal adj2 noise adj2 ratio) OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate) OR (error adj1 signal adj1 energy)) WITH (pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/04 04:01 PM
L117	6	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) WITH (pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/04 05:01 PM
L118	3	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) SAME ((choos\$3 OR select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR updat\$3 OR adapt\$3 OR determin\$3 OR calculat\$3) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 10:01 AM
L119	35	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) AND ((choos\$3 OR select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR updat\$3 OR adapt\$3 OR determin\$3 OR calculat\$3) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 10:01 AM

L120	93	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 03:01 PM
L121	1	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) SAME (pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (parameter\$1 OR setting\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 09:01 PM
L122	28	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) WITH (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 09:01 PM
L123	58	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) SAME (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (CN , FR , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 09:01 PM
L124	1	"20130223506" AND (different near4 channel\$1 WITH pre\$1equaliz\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AU , AP , AT , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/16 04:01 PM
L125	17	((different OR each) adj1 (set\$1 OR group\$1)) near4(equaliz\$3 OR pre\$1equaliz\$3) near4 (coefficients OR weights OR taps) WITH (stor\$3 OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AU , AP , AT , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/16 04:01 PM
L126	1	"20130223506" AND ((different OR distinct OR each) near7 channel\$1 WITH pre\$1equaliz\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/16 04:01 PM
L127	6535	((set\$1 OR group\$1)) near4(equaliz\$3 OR pre\$1equaliz\$3 OR filter) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1) near8 (register OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 10:01 AM

L132	14	((each OR every OR different) adj2 (set\$1 OR group\$1)) near4(equaliz\$3 OR pre\$1equaliz\$3 OR filter\$1) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1) near8 (separate OR different OR distinct) adj1 (register OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory) AND @ad<=20180828	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 02:01 PM
L133	2	"20130223506" AND (channel\$1 WITH (pre\$1equaliz\$3 OR equaliz\$3))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 03:01 PM
L134	2	"20130223506" AND (channel\$1 near5 characteristic\$1)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 04:01 PM
L135	2	"20130223506" AND (snr)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 04:01 PM
L136	6	((select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3) near4 beam near2 pair) WITH (interfer\$3 near4 (enb OR station\$1 OR ue\$1 OR device\$1 OR unit\$1))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AU , AP , AT , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/21 01:01 PM
L137	0	"20130201316" AND (port WITH equaliz\$3)	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/30 05:01 PM
L138	92	((set\$1 OR group\$1 OR sub\$1set\$1 OR sub\$1groups\$1)) near4(equaliz\$3 OR pre\$1equaliz\$3 OR filter) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1) near8 (register OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory) AND ((set\$1 OR group\$1 OR sub\$1set\$1 OR sub\$1groups\$1) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1) near6 ((different OR distinct OR each) adj2 channel))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/03/22 06:03 PM

L139	0	((set\$1 OR group\$1 OR sub\$1set\$1 OR sub\$1groups\$1)) near4(pre\$1equaliz\$3) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1) near8 (register OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory) AND ((set\$1 OR group\$1 OR sub\$1set\$1 OR sub\$1groups\$1) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1) near6 ((different OR distict OR each) adj2 channel))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/03/23 05:03 PM
L140	0	((set\$1 OR group\$1 OR sub\$1set\$1 OR sub\$1groups\$1)) near4(pre\$1equaliz\$3) near4 (coefficients OR weights OR taps) near8 (register OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory) AND ((coefficients OR weights OR taps) near6 ((different OR distict OR each) adj2 channels))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	OFF	ON	2021/03/23 05:03 PM
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L144	45	(pre\$1equaliz\$3 near4 (coefficients OR weights OR taps) WITH (channel adj1 (model OR characteristic\$1 OR estimation OR (impulse adj1 response))))	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT ; USOCR ; FIT (AP , AT , AU , CA , CH , CN , DD , DE , EA , EP , ES , FR , GB , JP , KR , OA , RU , SU , WO) ; FPRS ; EPO ; JPO ; DERWENT ; IBM_TDB)	OR	ON	ON	2021/03/24 10:03 AM

L145	1	((updat\$3 OR adapt\$3 OR chang\$3) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3 near4 coefficient\$1) AND chip\$1to\$1module	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2021/03/25 11:03 AM
L146	0	((updat\$3 OR adapt\$3 OR chang\$3) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3 near4 coefficient\$1) WITH (channel\$1) AND serdes	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2021/03/25 11:03 AM
L147	1	((updat\$3 OR adapt\$3 OR chang\$3) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3 near4 coefficient\$1) SAME (channel\$1) AND serdes	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2021/03/25 11:03 AM
L148	3	serdes AND (chip\$1to\$1module) AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	(US-PGPUB ; USPAT)	OR	ON	ON	2021/03/25 11:03 AM
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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF 2021-02-04

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir or Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the above-identified office action. Please reconsider the rejections in light of the following amendments and remarks.

An Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.

Amendment to the Claims

Please amend the claims to read as provided below:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Previously presented) A SerDes communications method that comprises, in a transceiver:
 - selecting one of multiple registers to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values, each of the multiple registers corresponding to a different channel model;
 - updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during a training phase; and
 - using the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values to convey a transmit data stream.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein at least some of the different channel models are for chip-to-module (C2M) channels with different insertion loss and package loss characteristics.
4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein at least some of the different channel models presume different types of receiver equalization.
5. (Currently amended) The method of ~~claim 1~~ claim 2, wherein said selecting includes using the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values to determine a performance characteristic for each of the multiple registers.
6. (Currently amended) The method of ~~claim 1~~ claim 5, wherein the performance characteristic is an error signal energy.
7. (Currently amended) The method of ~~claim 1~~ claim 5, wherein the performance characteristic is a bit error rate.
8. (Currently amended) The method of ~~claim 1~~ claim 5, further comprising updating the selected register with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values.
9. (Previously presented) A chip-to-module communications link that comprises a port connector coupling a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, the pluggable module transceiver including:
 - one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to the port transceiver; and

a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values corresponding to a different channel model, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously presented) A chip-to-module communications link that comprises a port connector coupling a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, the pluggable module transceiver including:

one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to the port transceiver; and

a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values for which the port transceiver determines a performance characteristic,

the controller using one of the registers selected by the port transceiver to specify the initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

12. (Original) The communications link of claim 11, wherein the performance characteristic is an error signal energy.

13. (Original) The communications link of claim 11, wherein the performance characteristic is a bit error rate.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Previously presented) The communications link of claim 9, wherein at least some of the different channel models are for chip-to-module (C2M) channels with different insertion loss and package loss characteristics.

16. (Previously presented) The communications link of claim 9, wherein at least some of the different channel models presume different types of receiver equalization.

17. (Previously presented) The communications link of claim 11, wherein the port transceiver generates updates for the coefficient values of the one or more transmit filters.

18. (Original) The communications link of claim 17, wherein the controller saves

updated coefficient values in one of the registers.

19. (Previously presented) A pluggable module transceiver including:

one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to a port transceiver; and
a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values corresponding to a different channel model, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously presented) The pluggable module transceiver of claim 19, wherein the port transceiver determines a performance characteristic for each register.

22. (Previously presented) The pluggable module transceiver of claim 21, wherein the performance characteristic is an error signal energy.

23. (Previously presented) The pluggable module transceiver of claim 21, wherein the performance characteristic is a bit error rate.

Remarks

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-13, 15-19, and 21-23 were pending. Claim 1 is canceled. Original claim 5 is re-introduced with a new dependency. Claims 6-8 are amended to alter their dependency from canceled claim 1. Claims 2-9, 11-13, 15-19, and 21-23 are now pending.

Rejections Under 35 USC § 103

Claims 1 and 6-8 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103 as being unpatentable over US2013/0223506 ("Kolze") in view of US2010/0232493 ("Thirumoorthy"). Claim 1 is canceled herein, and the dependencies of claims 6-8 are herein amended such that claims 6-8 now depend (indirectly) from allowed claim 2. Claims 6-8 are believed to be in condition for allowance for at least this reason.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-4, 9, 11-13, 15-19, and 21-23 stand allowed.

Previously canceled claim 5 is re-introduced with a new dependency from independent claim 2, and is believed allowable for at least this reason. Claims 6-8 now depend from claim 5 and are similarly believed allowable at least due to their dependence from claim 2.

All claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicant appreciates the examiner's careful examination of the present application. The examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned practitioner if an interview might prove helpful to the examination process.

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DETAILED ACTION

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1. The present application, filed on or after March 16, 2013, is being examined under the first inventor to file provisions of the AIA.

Response to Amendment

2. This Office Action is in response to the amendments received on 10/07/2020.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

In the event the determination of the status of the application as subject to AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 (or as subject to pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103) is incorrect, any correction of the statutory basis for the rejection will not be considered a new ground of rejection if the prior art relied upon, and the rationale supporting the rejection, would be the same under either status.

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103 which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

A patent for a claimed invention may not be obtained, notwithstanding that the claimed invention is not identically disclosed as set forth in section 102, if the differences between the claimed invention and the prior art are such that the claimed invention as a whole would have been obvious before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which the claimed invention pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1 and 6-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Kolze (US 2013/0223506), in view of Thirumoorthy (US 2010/0232493).

As to claim 1, Kolze discloses a method that comprises, in a transceiver (see paragraph 0042): determining a performance characteristic for initial pre-equalizer coefficient values (see paragraphs 0061 and 0065, Fig. 13, blocks 1310, 1320, 1330, and 1340); selecting one of multiple pre-equalizer settings to specify initial pre-equalizer

coefficient values for subsequent use (see paragraphs 0075, 0077, and Fig. 13, blocks 1310 and 1320); updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during a training phase (see paragraph 0079 and Fig. 13, blocks 1330, 1340, and 1350, wherein the channel monitoring phase associated with blocks 1330 and 1340 is interpreted as a training phase); and using the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values to convey a transmit data stream (see Fig. 12, blocks 1230 and 1240 and paragraph 0076). Kolze discloses all the subject matters claimed in claim 1, except that the coefficients are stored in registers. Thirumoorthy, in the same field of endeavor, discloses a transceiver in a communication system comprising an equalizer that includes an n-tap FIR filter having n coefficients (see Fig. 2, block 218 and paragraphs 0035-0036, 0054, 0062, and 0088), where the coefficients of the equalizer are stored in coefficient registers that are accessible by the equalizer (see paragraphs 0036, 0054, 0062, and 0088). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify the teachings of Kolze as suggested by Thirumoorthy and store the coefficients of the filter (e.g., equalizer or pre-equalizer) in multiple registers in order organize and control the coefficients more effectively and independently. Although Thirumoorthy does not expressly disclose selecting one of the registers, Kolze discloses selecting one of multiple pre-equalizer settings (e.g. coefficient values, see Fig. 13, block 1320) to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values and Thirumoorthy discloses saving the coefficients in different registers. One of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made would have recognized that when different coefficients (e.g. initial pre-equalizer coefficients) are stored in different registers, selecting a coefficient is equivalent to selecting the register associated with

that coefficient. Therefore, the combination of the Kolze's and Thirumoorthy's teaching covers all the limitations cited in claim 1.

As to claim 6, Kolze discloses that the performance characteristic is an error signal energy (see paragraphs 0061 and 0065, SNR is the signal energy divided by noise (error) energy).

As to claim 7, Kolze discloses that the performance characteristic is a bit error rate (see paragraph 0061, "allowable error rates" (e.g., bit error rate)). There are finite number of performance characteristics known in the art and it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to pick bit error rate as the performance characteristic to work with, in order to obtain predictable results and increase the performance of the communication system.

As to claim 8, Kolze discloses updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values (see paragraph 0079 and Fig. 13, blocks 1330, 1340, and 1350). Thirumoorthy also discloses updating the registers with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values (see paragraph 0088 and Fig. 9, blocks 916 and 918). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify Kolze's teaching as suggested by Thirumoorthy and update the selected register with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values in order to make sure that the register contains the most updated version of the pre-equalizer coefficients and increase the reliability of the system.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 2-4, 9, 11-13, 15-19, and 21-23 are allowed.

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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L16	91	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 12:21 PM
L17	1	16 AND c2m	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:07 PM

L18	1	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND c2m	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:08 PM
L19	1	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) AND c2m	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:09 PM
L20	1	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND c2m adj1 (channels OR path\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:10 PM
L21	2	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND c2m	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:10 PM
L22	230	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (channel adj1 models)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:48 PM
L23	44	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (channel adj1 models)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:49 PM
L24	0	23 AND (different OR multiple OR plurality) adj2 (channel adj1 models)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:51 PM
L25	3	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (channel adj1 models)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/22 04:54 PM
L26	8	(pre\$1equaliz\$3 near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)) WITH (channel adj1 model\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:56 PM
L27	44	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (channel adj1 model\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 05:24 PM
L28	1	serdes AND c2m AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 10:09 AM
L29	1	serdes AND c2m near3	US-PGPUB; USPAT;	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23

		channel\$1	USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB				10:10 AM
L30	12	serdes AND c2m	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 10:10 AM
L31	6	serdes AND c2m AND (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:32 AM
L32	0	serdes AND c2c AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:37 AM
L33	45	serdes AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:37 AM
L34	13	serdes AND pre\$1equaliz\$3 AND ((select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near7 pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:38 AM
L35	524	(channel near2 response) near6 (channel adj1 model)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:42 AM
L36	10	pre\$1equaliz\$3 SAME (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) SAME (channel adj1 model\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:45 AM
L37	4	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near5 pre\$1equaliz\$3 SAME (channel adj1 model\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:48 AM
L38	0	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near4 (register OR memory OR storage) SAME (pre\$1equaliz4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 03:17 PM
L39	43	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near4 (register OR	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO;	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 03:17 PM

		memory OR storage) SAME (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	DERWENT; IBM_TDB				
L40	6	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near4 (table) SAME (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 03:52 PM
L41	9	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3 OR determin\$3 OR decid\$3) near2 (set OR group OR table) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) SAME pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 05:09 PM
L42	2	updat\$3 near4 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (training adj1 (mode OR phase OR period))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 05:49 PM
L43	8	updat\$3 near4 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (training)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 05:50 PM
L44	3	updat\$3 near4 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (initializ\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 01:56 PM
L45	119	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3) near2 (set OR group OR table OR register) near3 (pre\$1distort\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 02:46 PM
L46	0	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3) near2 (set OR group OR table OR register) near3 (pre\$1distort\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) SAME (channel adj1 model)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 02:49 PM
L47	2	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3) near2 (set OR group OR table OR register) near3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 02:49 PM

		(pre\$1distort\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) AND (channel adj1 model)					
L48	4115	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 (different OR independent OR plurality OR several) near3 (register\$1 OR table\$1 OR memor\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 03:12 PM
L49	17	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near4 (equalizer OR pre\$1equalizer) near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 (different OR independent OR plurality OR several OR multiple) near3 (register\$1 OR memor\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 03:14 PM
L50	51	(registers OR memories OR (memory adj1 units)) near4 (equalizer OR pre\$1equalizer) near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/24 03:19 PM
L51	4	(registers OR memories OR (memory adj1 units)) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$5) near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/24 03:50 PM
L52	11	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3) near3 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 04:18 PM
L53	2	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3) near5(initial) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 04:22 PM
L54	29	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 04:28 PM
L55	23	54 AND (updat\$3 OR adjust\$3) near5	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR,	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 04:31 PM

		(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB				
L56	8	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near6 pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH (channel adj1 model)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:09 PM
L57	31	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near6 pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH (impulse adj1 response adj3 channel)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:13 PM
L58	39	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near6 pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH ((impulse adj1 response adj3 channel) OR (channel adj1 model))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:15 PM
L59	0	L58 AND (EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 ((channel adj1 impulse) OR (channel adj1 model))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:17 PM
L60	215	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH (EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 ((channel adj1 impulse) OR (channel adj1 model))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:18 PM
L61	0	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH (EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 ((channel adj1 impulse) OR (channel adj1 model)) AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:18 PM
L62	66	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH ((EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 channel) AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:19 PM

L63	11	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH ((EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 channel) AND ((pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:19 PM
L64	8	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH (channel adj1 model) AND ((pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:24 PM
L65	1	c2m AND (insertion adj1 loss) AND (package adj1 loss)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:30 PM
L66	2	((coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH ((performance adj1 characteristic\$1) OR (error adj1 signal adj1 (power OR energy)) OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:36 PM
L67	0	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (updated OR adjusted) adj3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:41 PM
L68	30	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (updated OR adjusted) adj3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:41 PM
L69	11	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:49 PM
L70	2	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable AND pre\$1equalizer\$1	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:49 PM
L71	2	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable AND	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO;	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:49 PM

L72	0	pre\$1equaliz\$3 (chip\$1to\$1module OR c2m) AND (port adj1 connect\$3) AND (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	DERWENT; IBM_TDB US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:50 PM
L73	364	(port adj1 connect\$3) AND (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:51 PM
L74	13	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:23 AM
L75	3	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver) AND (filter OR pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:23 AM
L76	13	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:27 AM
L77	319	(port near2 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$5 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:32 AM
L78	3	(port near2 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$5 near3 transceiver) WITH (port adj1 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:33 AM
L79	2	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficients OR taps OR weights OR (coefficient adj1 values) OR (tap adj1 values)) near5 (registers OR (storage adj1 units) OR memories)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:35 AM
L80	4	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (coefficients OR taps OR weights OR (coefficient adj1 values) OR (tap adj1 values)) near6 (registers OR (storage adj1 units) OR memories)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:36 AM
L81	1	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME ((coefficient OR tap OR weight) near2 set) near6	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO;	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:46 AM

L82	9	(register\$1 OR (storage adj1 unit\$1) OR memor\$3) (pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME ((coefficient OR tap OR weight) near2 set) near6 (register\$1 OR (storage adj1 unit\$1) OR memor\$3)	DERWENT; IBM_TDB US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:47 AM
L83	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (each OR different OR several OR multiple) adj1 set\$1 near3 (coefficient OR tap OR weight)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:51 AM
L84	15	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (each OR different OR several OR multiple) adj1 set\$1 near3 (coefficient OR tap OR weight)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:52 AM
L85	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (port adj1 transmitter)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:21 AM
L86	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME3 (port adj1 transmitter)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:21 AM
L87	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port adj1 transmitter)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:22 AM
L88	22	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transmitter)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:22 AM
L89	55	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transmit\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:24 AM
L90	12	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:24 AM
L91	14	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near3 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO;	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:27 AM

L92	3177	cable SAME (port near3 transceiv\$3)	DERWENT; IBM_TDB US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:40 AM
L93	1601	cable WITH (port near3 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:40 AM
L94	2460	network WITH (port near1 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:41 AM
L95	1497	network WITH (port adj1 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:41 AM
L96	609	network near5(port adj1 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:41 AM
L97	0	network near5 "port adj1 transceiv\$3"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:43 AM
L98	0	"port adj1 transceiv\$3"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:43 AM
L99	0	"port adj1 transceiver"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:44 AM
L100	4775	"port transceiver"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:44 AM
L101	550	"port transceiver" near5 network	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:45 AM
L102	483	"port transceiver" near5 network	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 11:45 AM

L103	1	(select\$3 near4 register) WITH pre\$1equaliz\$3 AND (sun.inv. OR qian.inv.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 06:52 AM
L104	1	"20020141347" AND (model WITH coefficient\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:32 PM
L105	1	"20020141347" AND (model WITH (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:36 PM
L106	160	(channel adj1 model) near4 (channel adj1 characteristic\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:42 PM
L107	7	(channel adj1 model) WITH (pre\$1equalizer near3 (tap\$1 OR coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 04:01 PM
L108	1	"20130223506" AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH (fir OR filter\$3))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 10:52 PM
L109	839852	20100232493and (control\$4 near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR register\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 11:14 PM
L110	0	"20100232493" AND (control\$4 near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR register\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 11:17 PM
L111	2	"20100232493" AND (control\$4 WITH (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR register\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 11:17 PM
L112	2	"20100232493" AND (control\$4 WITH (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR register\$1)) AND (register WITH coefficient\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 11:18 PM
L113	1	"20130201316" AND (connector WITH port)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO;	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/04 08:44 AM

L114	1	"20130201316" AND (connector SAME port)	DERWENT; IBM_TDB US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/04 08:46 AM
L115	2	"20130201316" AND (plug\$4 SAME (modem OR transceiver))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/04 09:03 AM
L116	22	((performance adj1 characteristic\$1) OR (snr OR snir OR ber) OR (signal adj2 noise adj2 ratio) OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate) OR (error adj1 signal adj1 energy)) WITH (pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/04 04:40 PM
L117	6	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) WITH (pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/04 05:30 PM
L118	3	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) SAME ((choos\$3 OR select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR updat\$3 OR adapt\$3 OR determin\$3 OR calculat\$3) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 10:30 AM
L119	35	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) AND ((choos\$3 OR select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR updat\$3 OR adapt\$3 OR determin\$3 OR calculat\$3) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 10:31 AM
L120	93	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 03:22 PM

L121	1	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) SAME (pre\$1equaliz\$3 near2 (parameter\$1 OR setting\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 09:20 PM
L122	28	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) WITH (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 09:22 PM
L123	58	(ber OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate)) SAME (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/05 09:31 PM
L124	1	"20130223506" AND (different near4 channel\$1 WITH pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AU, AP, AT, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/16 04:07 PM
L125	17	((different OR each) adj1 (set\$1 OR group\$1)) near4(equaliz\$3 OR pre\$1equaliz\$3) near4 (coefficients OR weights OR taps) WITH (stor\$3 OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AU, AP, AT, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/16 04:19 PM
L126	1	"20130223506" AND ((different OR distinct OR each) near7 channel\$1 WITH pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/16 04:41 PM
L127	6535	((set\$1 OR group\$1)) near4(equaliz\$3 OR pre\$1equaliz\$3 OR filter) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1) near8 (register OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 10:51 AM
L132	14	((each OR every OR different) adj2 (set\$1 OR group\$1)) near4(equaliz\$3 OR pre\$1equaliz\$3 OR filter\$1) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 02:42 PM

		weight\$1 OR tap\$1) near8 (separate OR different OR distinct) adj1 (register OR storage OR ram OR table OR memory) AND @ad<=20180828					
L133	2	"20130223506" AND (channel\$1 WITH (pre\$1equaliz\$3 OR equaliz\$3))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 03:30 PM
L134	2	"20130223506" AND (channel\$1 near5 characteristic\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 04:42 PM
L135	2	"20130223506" AND (snr)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AP, AT, AU, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/19 04:42 PM
L136	6	((select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3) near4 beam near2 pair) WITH (interfer\$3 near4 (enb OR station\$1 OR ue\$1 OR device\$1 OR unit\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (AU, AP, AT, CA, CH, CN, DD, DE, EA, EP, ES, FR, GB, JP, KR, OA, RU, SU, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/21 01:24 PM
L137	0	"20130201316" AND (port WITH equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	ON	2021/01/30 05:44 PM

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COEFFICIENT REGISTER

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE REQUIRING EXCESS CLAIMS FEES

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Dear Commissioner:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the attached Notice Requiring Excess Claims Fees dated October 14, 2020. The identified excess claim fees (total fees due of \$960.00) are filed with this submission.

The reader is encouraged to contact the undersigned representative with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 10, 2020

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF 2020-07-09

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Dear Sir or Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the above-identified office action. Please reconsider the rejections in light of the following amendments and remarks.

An Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.

Amendment to the Claims

Please amend the claims to read as provided below:

1. (Currently amended) A SerDes communications method that comprises, in a transceiver:
determining a performance characteristic for initial pre-equalizer coefficient values in each of multiple registers;
selecting one of the multiple registers to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values for subsequent use;
updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during a training phase; and
using the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values to convey a transmit data stream.
2. (Currently amended) ~~The method of claim 1, wherein~~ A SerDes communications method that comprises, in a transceiver:
selecting one of multiple registers to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values,
each of the multiple registers ~~corresponds~~ corresponding to a different channel model;
updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during a training phase; and
using the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values to convey a transmit data stream.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein at least some of the different channel models are for chip-to-module (C2M) channels with different insertion loss and package loss characteristics.
4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein at least some of the different channel models presume different types of receiver equalization.
5. (Canceled)
6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the performance characteristic is an error signal energy.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the performance characteristic is a bit error rate.

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8. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising updating the selected register with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values.

9. (Currently amended) A chip-to-module communications link that comprises a port connector coupling a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, the pluggable module transceiver including:

- one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to the port transceiver; and
- a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values corresponding to a different channel model, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

10. (Canceled)

11. ~~The communications link of claim 10, wherein~~ A chip-to-module communications link that comprises a port connector coupling a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, the pluggable module transceiver including:

- one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to the port transceiver; and
- a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values for which the port transceiver ~~iteratively selects different ones of the multiple registers and~~ determines a performance characteristic ~~for each,~~
- the controller using one of the registers selected by the port transceiver to specify the initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

12. (Original) The communications link of claim 11, wherein the performance characteristic is an error signal energy.

13. (Original) The communications link of claim 11, wherein the performance characteristic is a bit error rate.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) The communications link of ~~claim 14~~ claim 9, wherein at

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least some of the different channel models are for chip-to-module (C2M) channels with different insertion loss and package loss characteristics.

16. (Currently amended) The communications link of ~~claim 14~~ claim 9, wherein at least some of the different channel models presume different types of receiver equalization.

17. (Currently amended) The communications link of ~~claim 9~~ claim 11, wherein the port transceiver generates updates for the coefficient values of the one or more transmit filters.

18. (Original) The communications link of claim 17, wherein the controller saves updated coefficient values in one of the registers.

19. (Currently amended) A pluggable module transceiver including:
one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to a port transceiver; and
a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values corresponding to a different channel model, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

20. (Canceled)

21 . (New) The pluggable module transceiver of claim 19, wherein the port transceiver determines a performance characteristic for each register.

22. (New) The pluggable module transceiver of claim 21, wherein the performance characteristic is an error signal energy.

23. (New) The pluggable module transceiver of claim 21, wherein the performance characteristic is a bit error rate.

Remarks

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-20 were pending. Claims 5, 10, 14, and 20 are canceled. Claims 1-2, 9, 11, 15-17, and 19, are amended. New claims 21-23 are added. Claims 1-4, 6-9, 11-13, 15-19, and 21-23 are now pending.

The number of independent claims has increased from 3 to 5. The number of total claims has decreased from 20 to 19.

Rejections Under 35 USC § 112

Claims 6-7 stand rejected under 35 USC § 112 as lacking antecedent basis for "the performance characteristic". These claims depend from independent claim 1, which now provides sufficient antecedent basis. Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection is fully addressed by claim 1 as amended.

Rejections Under 35 USC § 103

Claims 1 and 8 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103 as being unpatentable over US2013/0223506 ("Kolze") in view of US2010/0232493 ("Thirumoorthy").

Claims 9-10 and 17-19 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103 as being unpatentable over Kolze and Thirumoorthy in view of US2013/0201316 ("Binder").

Claim 10 has been canceled. Insofar as the rejections apply to the pending claims as amended, applicant respectfully traverses because the cited art fails to teach or suggest every limitation of the claims.

For example, independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate limitations from canceled claim 5, which was indicated to contain allowable subject matter. Claim 8 depends from independent claim 1 and is allowable for at least the same reasons.

Independent claim 9 has been amended to incorporate limitations from canceled claim 14, which was indicated to contain allowable subject matter.

Claim 17 has been amended to depend from claim 11, which was indicated to contain allowable subject matter. Claim 18 depends from claim 17 and is allowable for at least the same reasons.

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Independent claim 19 has been amended to incorporate limitations from canceled claim 20, which was indicated to contain allowable subject matter. New claims 21-23 depend from independent claim 19 and are believed to be allowable for at least the same reasons.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2-5, 11-16, and 20 were indicated to contain allowable subject matter.

Claim 2 has been amended into independent form, and accordingly claim 2 and its dependent claims 3-4 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claim 5 has been canceled and the relevant limitations incorporated into independent claim 1, which is now believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claim 11 has been amended into independent form, and accordingly claim 11 and its dependent claims 12-13 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claims 14 has been canceled and the relevant limitations incorporated into independent claim 9, which is now believed to be in condition for allowance along with its dependent claims 15-16.

Claim 20 has been canceled and the relevant limitations incorporated into independent claim 19, which is now believed to be in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicant appreciates the examiner's careful examination of the present application. The examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned practitioner if an interview might prove helpful to the examination process.

Respectfully submitted,

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Priority

2. Applicant's claim for the benefit of a prior-filed application under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) or under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121, 365(c), or 386(c) is acknowledged.

Information Disclosure Statement

3. The information disclosure statements submitted on 06/09/2020 have been considered and made of record by the examiner.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 112(b):

(b) CONCLUSION.—The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the inventor or a joint inventor regards as the invention.

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 112 (pre-AIA), second paragraph:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

4. Claims 6 and 7 recite the limitation "the performance characteristic". There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

In the event the determination of the status of the application as subject to AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103 (or as subject to pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103) is incorrect, any correction of the statutory basis for the rejection will not be considered a new ground of rejection if the prior art relied upon, and the rationale supporting the rejection, would be the same under either status.

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103 which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

A patent for a claimed invention may not be obtained, notwithstanding that the claimed invention is not identically disclosed as set forth in section 102, if the differences between the claimed invention and the prior art are such that the claimed invention as a whole would have been obvious before the effective filing date of the claimed invention to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which the claimed invention pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. Claims 1 and 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Kolze (US 2013/0223506), in view of Thirumoorthy (US 2010/0232493).

As to claim 1, Kolze discloses a method that comprises, in a transceiver (see paragraph 0042): selecting one of multiple pre-equalizer settings to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values (see paragraphs 0075, 0077, and Fig. 13, blocks 1310 and 1320); updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during a training phase (see paragraph 0079 and Fig. 13, blocks 1330, 1340, and 1350, wherein the channel monitoring phase associated with blocks 1330 and 1340 is interpreted as a training phase); and using the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values to convey a transmit data stream (see Fig. 12, blocks 1230 and 1240 and paragraph 0076). Kolze discloses all the subject matters claimed in claim 1, except that the coefficients are stored in registers. Thirumoorthy, in the same field of endeavor, discloses a transceiver in a communication system comprising an equalizer that includes an n-tap FIR filter having n coefficients (see Fig. 2, block 218 and paragraphs 0035-0036, 0054, 0062, and 0088), where the coefficients of the equalizer are stored in coefficient registers that are accessible by the equalizer (see paragraphs 0036, 0054, 0062, and 0088). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify the teachings of Kolze as suggested by Thirumoorthy and

store the coefficients of the filter (e.g., equalizer or pre-equalizer) in multiple registers in order organize and control the coefficients more effectively and independently. Although Thirumoorthy does not expressly disclose selecting one of the registers, Kolze discloses selecting one of multiple pre-equalizer settings to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values and Thirumoorthy discloses saving the coefficients in different registers. One of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made would have recognized that when different coefficient sets are stored in different registers, selecting a coefficient set is equivalent to selecting the register associated with that coefficient set. Therefore, the combination of the Kolze's and Thirumoorthy's teaching covers all the limitations cited in claim 1.

As to claim 8, Kolze discloses updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values (see paragraph 0079 and Fig. 13, blocks 1330, 1340, and 1350). Thirumoorthy also discloses updating the registers with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values (see paragraph 0088 and Fig. 9, blocks 916 and 918). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify Kolze's teaching as suggested by Thirumoorthy and update the selected register with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values in order to make sure that the register contains the most updated version of the pre-equalizer coefficients and increase the reliability of the system.

6. Claims 9, 10, and 17-19, are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 as being unpatentable over Kolze and Thirumoorthy, further in view of Binder et al. (hereinafter, referred to as Binder) (US 2013/0201316).

As to claim 9, Kolze discloses a transceiver (see paragraph 0042) including: one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream (see Fig. 6, see all the pre-equalizers) and a controller using one of pre-equalizer settings to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters (see Fig. 13 and paragraphs 0075, 0077-0079 and 0086). Kolze discloses all the subject matters claimed in claim 9, except that the communication system comprising a port connector coupling a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, where the pre-equalized streams are being transmitted to the port transceiver. Kolze also does not disclose a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values. Thirumoorthy, in the same field of endeavor, discloses a transceiver in a communication system comprising an equalizer that includes an n-tap FIR filter having n coefficients (see Fig. 2, block 218 and paragraphs 0035-0036, 0054, 0062, and 0088), where the coefficients of the equalizer are stored in coefficient registers that are accessible by the equalizer (see paragraphs 0036, 0054, 0062, and 0088). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify the teachings of Kolze as suggested by Thirumoorthy and store the coefficients of the filter (e.g., equalizer or pre-equalizer) in multiple registers in order organize and control the coefficients more effectively and independently. Thirumoorthy does not expressly disclose selecting one of the registers. Kolze discloses selecting one of multiple pre-equalizer settings to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values and Thirumoorthy discloses saving the coefficients in different registers. One of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made would

have recognized that when different coefficient sets are stored in different registers, selecting a coefficient set by the controller is equivalent to selecting the register associated with that coefficient set. Therefore, the combination of the Kolze's and Thirumoorthy's teaching covers all the limitations cited in claim 9 associated with selecting a register. Kolze shows that the pre-equalized signals are transmitted to a network (see Fig. 5). Also as previously mentioned, Kolze discloses a transceiver (see paragraph 0042). Kolze and Thirumoorthy disclose all the subject matters claimed in claim 9, except that the communication system comprising a port connector coupling a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, where the pre-equalized streams are being transmitted to the port transceiver. Binder, in the same field of endeavor, discloses a communication system that comprises a transceiver communicating over a network (see paragraph 0041). Binder further discloses that the transceiver is coupled to a port for interfacing and communicating over a network (see paragraphs 0041 and 0273). Binder also discloses that the communication system comprising a port connector coupling a port transceiver to a transceiver (see paragraph 0033, last five lines, paragraph 0041, last four lines, paragraph 0043, last four lines, and paragraphs 0119 and 0172). Binder discloses that the transceiver is a modem (see paragraph 0050). Even though Binder does not expressly disclose that the transceiver (modem) is pluggable, however, it would have been extremely recognizable to one of ordinary skill in the art that all the modems are pluggable devices. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to make the modem (transceiver) pluggable in order to enable the modem (transceiver) to serve its function. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before

the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify Kolze's and Thirumoorthy's teaching as suggested by Binder in order to enable the transceiver to communicate with the network.

As to claim 10, although Thirumoorthy does not expressly disclose selecting one of the registers by the transceiver, Kolze discloses selecting one of multiple pre-equalizer settings, by the transceiver, to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values and Thirumoorthy discloses saving the coefficients in different registers. One of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made would have recognized that the when different coefficient sets are stored in different registers, selecting a coefficient set is equivalent to selecting the register associated with that coefficient set. Therefore, the combination of the Kolze's and Thirumoorthy's teaching covers all the limitations cited in claim 10.

As to claim 17, Kolze discloses that the transceiver updates the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values of the one or more pre-equalizers (see paragraph 0079 and Fig. 13, blocks 1330, 1340, and 1350).

As to claim 18, Kolze discloses updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during (see paragraph 0079 and Fig. 13, blocks 1330, 1340, and 1350). Thirumoorthy also discloses updating the registers with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values (see paragraph 0088 and Fig. 9, blocks 916 and 918). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify Kolze's teaching as suggested by Thirumoorthy and update the selected register with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values in order to

make sure that the register contains the most updated version of the pre-equalizer coefficients and increase the reliability of the system.

As to claim 19, Kolze discloses a transceiver (see paragraph 0042) including: one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream (see Fig. 6, see all the pre-equalizers) and a controller using one of pre-equalizer settings to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters (see Fig. 13 and paragraphs 0075, 0077-0079 and 0086). Kolze discloses all the subject matters claimed in claim 19, except that the pre-equalized streams are being transmitted to a port transceiver. Kolze also does not disclose a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values. Thirumoorthy, in the same field of endeavor, discloses a transceiver in a communication system comprising an equalizer that includes an n-tap FIR filter having n coefficients (see Fig. 2, block 218 and paragraphs 0035-0036, 0054, 0062, and 0088), where the coefficients of the equalizer are stored in coefficient registers that are accessible by the equalizer (see paragraphs 0036, 0054, 0062, and 0088). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify the teachings of Kolze as suggested by Thirumoorthy and store the coefficients of the filter (equalizer or pre-equalizer) in multiple registers in order organize and control the coefficients more effectively and independently. Although Thirumoorthy does not expressly disclose selecting one of the registers, Kolze discloses selecting one of multiple pre-equalizer settings to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values and Thirumoorthy discloses saving the coefficients in different registers. One of ordinary skill

in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made would have recognized that when different coefficient sets are stored in different registers, selecting a coefficient set by the controller is equivalent to selecting the register associated with that coefficient set by the controller. Therefore, the combination of the Kolze's and Thirumoorthy's teaching covers all the limitations cited in claim 19 associated with selecting a register. Kolze shows that the pre-equalized signals are transmitted to a network (see Fig. 5). Also as previously mentioned, Kolze discloses a transceiver (see paragraph 0042). Kolze and Thirumoorthy disclose all the subject matters claimed in claim 19, except that pre-equalized streams are being transmitted to a port transceiver. Binder, in the same field of endeavor, discloses a communication system that comprises a transceiver communicating over a network (see paragraph 0041). Binder discloses that the transceiver is coupled to a port for interfacing and communicating over a network (see paragraphs 0041 and 0273). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art before the effective filing date of the invention was made to modify Kolze's and Thirumoorthy's teaching as suggested by Binder in order to enable the transceiver to communicate with the network.

Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claims 2-5, 11-16, and 20 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

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L24	0	23 AND (different OR multiple OR plurality) adj2 (channel adj1 models)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:51 PM
L25	3	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (channel adj1 models)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/22 04:54 PM
L26	8	(pre\$1equaliz\$3 near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)) WITH (channel adj1 model\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 04:56 PM
L27	44	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (channel adj1 model\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/22 05:24 PM
L28	1	serdes AND c2m AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 10:09 AM
L29	1	serdes AND c2m near3 channel\$1	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 10:10 AM
L30	12	serdes AND c2m	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO;	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 10:10 AM

L31	6	serdes AND c2m AND (coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1 OR tap\$1)	DERWENT; IBM_TDB US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:32 AM
L32	0	serdes AND c2c AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:37 AM
L33	45	serdes AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:37 AM
L34	13	serdes AND pre\$1equaliz\$3 AND ((select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near7 pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:38 AM
L35	524	(channel near2 response) near6 (channel adj1 model)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:42 AM
L36	10	pre\$1equaliz\$3 SAME (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) SAME (channel adj1 model\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:45 AM
L37	4	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near5 pre\$1equaliz\$3 SAME (channel adj1 model\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 11:48 AM
L38	0	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near4 (register OR memory OR storage) SAME (pre\$1equaliz4)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 03:17 PM
L39	43	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near4 (register OR memory OR storage) SAME (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 03:17 PM
L40	6	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3 OR determin\$3) near4 (table) SAME (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 03:52 PM
L41	9	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR	US-PGPUB; USPAT;	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23

		obtain\$3 OR choos\$3 OR determin\$3 OR decid\$3) near2 (set OR group OR table) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) SAME pre\$1equaliz\$3	USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB				05:09 PM
L42	2	updat\$3 near4 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (training adj1 (mode OR phase OR period))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 05:49 PM
L43	8	updat\$3 near4 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (training)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/23 05:50 PM
L44	3	updat\$3 near4 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH (initializ\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 01:56 PM
L45	119	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3) near2 (set OR group OR table OR register) near3 (pre\$1distort\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 02:46 PM
L46	0	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3) near2 (set OR group OR table OR register) near3 (pre\$1distort\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) SAME (channel adj1 model)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 02:49 PM
L47	2	(select\$3 OR pick\$3 OR obtain\$3 OR choos\$3) near2 (set OR group OR table OR register) near3 (pre\$1distort\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) AND (channel adj1 model)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 02:49 PM
L48	4115	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near4 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 (different OR independent OR plurality OR several) near3 (register\$1 OR table\$1 OR memor\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 03:12 PM

L49	17	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near4 (equalizer OR pre\$1equalizer) near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 (different OR independent OR plurality OR several OR multiple) near3 (register\$1 OR memor\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 03:14 PM
L50	51	(registers OR memories OR (memory adj1 units)) near4 (equalizer OR pre\$1equalizer) near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/24 03:19 PM
L51	4	(registers OR memories OR (memory adj1 units)) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$5) near2 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/24 03:50 PM
L52	11	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3) near3 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 04:18 PM
L53	2	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3) near5(initial) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 04:22 PM
L54	29	(select\$3 OR choos\$3 OR pick\$3) near4 (pre\$1equaliz\$3) near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 04:28 PM
L55	23	54 AND (updat\$3 OR adjust\$3) near5 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 04:31 PM
L56	8	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near6 pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH (channel adj1 model)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:09 PM
L57	31	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near6 pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH (impulse adj1 response adj3 channel)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:13 PM
L58	39	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near6	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR,	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:15 PM

L59	0	pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH ((impulse adj1 response adj3 channel) OR (channel adj1 model))	WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:17 PM
L60	215	L58 AND (EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 ((channel adj1 impulse) OR (channel adj1 model))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:18 PM
L61	0	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH (EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 ((channel adj1 impulse) OR (channel adj1 model)) AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:18 PM
L62	66	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH ((EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 channel) AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:19 PM
L63	11	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH ((EACH OR DIFFERENT OR MULTIPLE OR distinct OR plurality OR every) adj1 channel) AND ((pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:19 PM
L64	8	(coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) WITH (channel adj1 model) AND ((pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:24 PM
L65	1	c2m AND (insertion adj1 loss) AND (package adj1 loss)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:30 PM

L66	2	((coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3) WITH ((performance adj1 characteristic\$1) OR (error adj1 signal adj1 (power OR energy)) OR (bit adj1 error adj1 rate))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:36 PM
L67	0	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (updated OR adjusted) adj3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:41 PM
L68	30	(sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (updated OR adjusted) adj3 (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1) near3 equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:41 PM
L69	11	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:49 PM
L70	2	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable AND pre\$1equalizer\$1	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:49 PM
L71	2	(port adj1 connector) WITH transceiver WITH pluggable AND pre\$1equaliz\$3	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:49 PM
L72	0	(chip\$1to\$1module OR c2m) AND (port adj1 connect\$3) AND (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:50 PM
L73	364	(port adj1 connect\$3) AND (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/24 06:51 PM
L74	13	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:23 AM
L75	3	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver) AND (filter OR pre\$1equaliz\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:23 AM
L76	13	(port adj1 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$4 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:27 AM

L77	319	(port near2 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$5 near3 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:32 AM
L78	3	(port near2 connect\$3) WITH (plug\$5 near3 transceiver) WITH (port adj1 transceiver)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:33 AM
L79	2	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) near3 (coefficients OR taps OR weights OR (coefficient adj1 values) OR (tap adj1 values)) near5 (registers OR (storage adj1 units) OR memories)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:35 AM
L80	4	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (coefficients OR taps OR weights OR (coefficient adj1 values) OR (tap adj1 values)) near6 (registers OR (storage adj1 units) OR memories)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:36 AM
L81	1	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME ((coefficient OR tap OR weight) near2 set) near6 (register\$1 OR (storage adj1 unit\$1) ormemor\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 06:46 AM
L82	9	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME ((coefficient OR tap OR weight) near2 set) near6 (register\$1 OR (storage adj1 unit\$1) OR memor\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:47 AM
L83	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (sav\$3 OR stor\$3) near3 (each OR different OR several OR multiple) adj1 set\$1 near3 (coefficient OR tap OR weight)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:51 AM
L84	15	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (each OR different OR several OR multiple) adj1 set\$1 near3 (coefficient OR tap OR weight)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 06:52 AM
L85	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME (port adj1 transmitter)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:21 AM
L86	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) SAME3	US-PGPUB; USPAT;	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25

		(port adj1 transmitter)	USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB				10:21 AM
L87	0	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port adj1 transmitter)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:22 AM
L88	22	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transmitter)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:22 AM
L89	55	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transmit\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 10:24 AM
L90	12	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near2 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:24 AM
L91	14	(pre\$1equaliz\$3) AND (port near3 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:27 AM
L92	3177	cable SAME (port near3 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:40 AM
L93	1601	cable WITH (port near3 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:40 AM
L94	2460	network WITH (port near1 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:41 AM
L95	1497	network WITH (port adj1 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:41 AM
L96	609	network near5(port adj1 transceiv\$3)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:41 AM
L97	0	network near5 "port adj1 transceiv\$3"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:43 AM
L98	0	"port adj1 transceiv\$3"	US-PGPUB; USPAT;	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25

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L99	0	"port adj1 transceiver"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:44 AM
L100	4775	"port transceiver"	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:44 AM
L101	550	"port transceiver" near5 network	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/06/25 11:45 AM
L102	483	"port transceiver" near5 network	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	ON	2020/06/25 11:45 AM
L103	1	(select\$3 near4 register) WITH pre\$1equaliz\$3 AND (sun.inv. OR qian.inv.)	US-PGPUB; USPAT	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 06:52 AM
L104	1	"20020141347" AND (model WITH coefficient\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:32 PM
L105	1	"20020141347" AND (model WITH (coefficient\$1 OR tap\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:36 PM
L106	160	(channel adj1 model) near4 (channel adj1 characteristic\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 03:42 PM
L107	7	(channel adj1 model) WITH (pre\$1equalizer near3 (tap\$1 OR coefficient\$1 OR weight\$1))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 04:01 PM
L108	1	"20130223506" AND (pre\$1equaliz\$3 WITH (fir OR filter\$3))	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; FIT (CN, FR, WO); FPRS; EPO; JPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	ON	ON	2020/07/03 10:52 PM
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Applicant's or agent's file reference 171594PCWO	FOR FURTHER ACTION See paragraphs 1 and 4 below
International application No. PCT/CN2017/075961	International filing date (day/month/year) 08. Mar. 2017 (08. 03. 2017)
Applicant CREDO TECHNOLOGY GROUP LTD.	
<p>1. ☒ The applicant is hereby notified that the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority have been established and are transmitted herewith. Filing of amendments and statement under Article 19: The applicant is entitled, if he so wishes, to amend the claims of the international application (see Rule 46). When? The time limit for filing such amendments is normally two months from the date of transmittal of the international search report. Where? Directly to the International Bureau of WIPO, 34 chemin des Colombettes 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, Facsimile No.: +41 22 338 82 70 For more detailed instructions, see PCT Applicant's Guide, International Phase, paragraphs 9.004 - 9.011.</p> <p>2. ☐ The applicant is hereby notified that no international search report will be established and that the declaration under Article 17(2)(a) to that effect and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority are transmitted herewith.</p> <p>3. ☐ With regard to any protest against payment of (an) additional fee(s) under Rule 40.2, the applicant is notified that: ☐ the protest together with the decision thereon has been transmitted to the International Bureau together with any request to forward the texts of both the protest and the decision thereon to the designated Offices. ☐ no decision has been made yet on the protest; the applicant will be notified as soon as a decision is made.</p> <p>4. Reminders The applicant may submit comments on an informal basis on the written opinion of the International Searching Authority to the International Bureau. The International Bureau will send a copy of such comments to all designated Offices unless an international preliminary examination report has been or is to be established. Following the expiration of 30 months from the priority date, these comments will also be made available to the public.</p> <p>Shortly after the expiration of 18 months from the priority date, the international application will be published by the International Bureau. If the applicant wishes to avoid or postpone publication, a notice of withdrawal of the international application, or of the priority claim, must reach the International Bureau before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rules 90bis.1 and 90bis.2).</p> <p>Within 19 months from the priority date, but only in respect of some designated Offices, a demand for international preliminary examination must be filed if the applicant wishes to postpone the entry into the national phase until 30 months from the priority date (in some Offices even later); otherwise, the applicant must, within 20 months from the priority date, perform the prescribed acts for entry into the national phase before those designated Offices.</p> <p>In respect of other designated Offices, the time limit of 30 months (or later) will apply even if no demand is filed within 19 months.</p> <p>For details about the applicable time limits, Office by Office, see www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/time_limits.html and the PCT Applicant's Guide, National Chapters.</p>	
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These Notes are intended to give the basic instructions concerning the filing of amendments under Article 19. The Notes are based on the requirements of the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the Regulations and the Administrative Instructions under that Treaty. In case of discrepancy between these Notes and those requirements, the latter are applicable. For more detailed information, see also the *PCT Applicant's Guide*.

In these Notes, "Article," "Rule" and "Section" refer to the provisions of the PCT, the PCT Regulations and the PCT Administrative Instructions, respectively.

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING AMENDMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 19

The applicant has, after having received the international search report and the written opinion of the International Searching Authority, one opportunity to amend the claims of the international application. It should however be emphasized that, since all parts of the international application (claims, description and drawings) may be amended during the international preliminary examination procedure, there is usually no need to file amendments of the claims under Article 19 except where, e.g. the applicant wants the latter to be published for the purposes of provisional protection or has another reason for amending the claims before international publication. Furthermore, it should be emphasized that provisional protection is available in some States only (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*).

The attention of the applicant is drawn to the fact that amendments to the claims under Article 19 are not allowed where the International Searching Authority has declared, under Article 17(2), that no international search report would be established (see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 296).

What parts of the international application may be amended ?

Under Article 19, only the claims may be amended.

During the international phase, the claims may also be amended (or further amended) under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority. The description and drawings may only be amended under Article 34 before the International Preliminary Examining Authority.

Upon entry into the national phase, all parts of the international application may be amended under Article 28 or, where applicable, Article 41.

When ? Within 2 months from the date of transmittal of the international search report or 16 months from the priority date, whichever time limit expires later. It should be noted, however, that the amendments will be considered as having been received on time if they are received by the International Bureau after the expiration of the applicable time limit but before the completion of the technical preparations for international publication (Rule 46.1).

Where not to file the amendments ?

The amendments may only be filed with the International Bureau and not with the receiving Office or the International Searching Authority (Rule 46.2).

Where a demand for international preliminary examination has been/is filed, see below.

How ? Either by cancelling one or more entire claims, by adding one or more new claims or by amending the text of one or more of the claims as filed.

A replacement sheet or sheets containing a complete set of claims in replacement of all the claims previously filed must be submitted.

Where a claim is cancelled, no renumbering of the other claims is required. In all cases where claims are renumbered, they must be renumbered consecutively in Arabic numerals (Section 205(a)).

The amendments must be made in the language in which the international application is to be published.

What documents must/may accompany the amendments ?

Letter (Section 205(b)):

The amendments must be submitted with a letter.

The letter will not be published with the international application and the amended claims. It should not be confused with the "Statement under Article 19(1)" (see below, under "Statement under Article 19(1)").

The letter must be in English or French, at the choice of the applicant. However, if the language of the international application is English, the letter must be in English; if the language of the international application is French, the letter must be in French.



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The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, in particular, indicate, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), whether

- (i) the claim is unchanged;
- (ii) the claim is cancelled;
- (iii) the claim is new;
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed.

The following examples illustrate the manner in which amendments must be explained in the accompanying letter:

1. [Where originally there were 48 claims and after amendment of some claims there are 51]:
"Claims 1 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 to 48 replaced by amended claims bearing the same numbers;
claims 30, 33 and 36 unchanged; new claims 49 to 51 added."
2. [Where originally there were 15 claims and after amendment of all claims there are 11]:
"Claims 1 to 15 replaced by amended claims 1 to 11."
3. [Where originally there were 14 claims and the amendments consist in cancelling some claims and in adding new claims]:
"Claims 1 to 6 and 14 unchanged; claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added;" or
"Claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added; all other claims unchanged."
4. [Where various kinds of amendments are made]:
"Claims 1-10 unchanged; claims 11 to 13, 18 and 19 cancelled; claims 14, 15 and 16 replaced by amended claim 14;
claim 17 subdivided into amended claims 15, 16 and 17; new claims 20 and 21 added."

"Statement under Article 19(1)" (Rule 46.4)

The amendments may be accompanied by a statement explaining the amendments and indicating any impact that such amendments might have on the description and the drawings (which cannot be amended under Article 19(1)).

The statement will be published with the international application and the amended claims.

It must be in the language in which the international application is to be published.

It must be brief, not exceeding 500 words if in English or if translated into English.

It should not be confused with and does not replace the letter indicating the differences between the claims as filed and as amended. It must be filed on a separate sheet and must be identified as such by a heading, preferably by using the words "Statement under Article 19(1)."

It may not contain any disparaging comments on the international search report or the relevance of citations contained in that report. Reference to citations, relevant to a given claim, contained in the international search report may be made only in connection with an amendment of that claim.

Consequence if a demand for international preliminary examination has already been filed

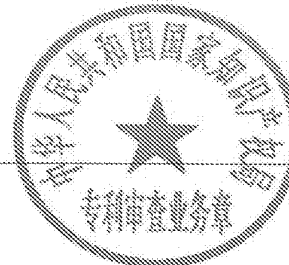
If, at the time of filing any amendments and any accompanying statement, under Article 19, a demand for international preliminary examination has already been submitted, the applicant must preferably, at the time of filing the amendments (and any statement) with the International Bureau, also file with the International Preliminary Examining Authority a copy of such amendments (and of any statement) and, where required, a translation of such amendments for the procedure before that Authority (see Rules 55.3(a) and 62.2, first sentence). For further information, see the Notes to the demand form (PCT/PEA/401).

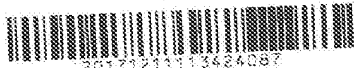
If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, the written opinion of the International Searching Authority will, except in certain cases where the International Preliminary Examining Authority did not act as International Searching Authority and where it has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b), be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority. If a demand is made, the applicant may submit to the International Preliminary Examining Authority a reply to the written opinion together, where appropriate, with amendments before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later (Rule 43bis.1(c)).

Consequence with regard to translation of the international application for entry into the national phase

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that, upon entry into the national phase, a translation of the claims as amended under Article 19 may have to be furnished to the designated/elected Offices, instead of, or in addition to, the translation of the claims as filed.

For further details on the requirements of each designated/elected Office, see the *PCT Applicant's Guide* - National Chapters.





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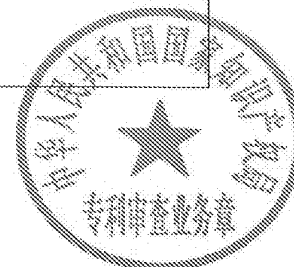
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Applicant CREDO TECHNOLOGY GROUP LTD.		
This international search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau. This international search report consists of a total of 4 sheets. ☐ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.		
1. Basis of the report a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of: ☒ the international application in the language in which it was filed ☐ a translation of the international application into _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)). b. ☐ This international search report has been established taking into account the rectification of an obvious mistake authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43.6bis(a)). c. ☐ With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I. 2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (see Box No. II) 3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (see Box No. III) 4. With regard to the title, ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant. ☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows: 5. With regard to the abstract, ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant. ☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 33.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority. 6. With regard to the drawings, a. The figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 3 ☐ as suggested by the applicant ☒ as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure ☐ as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention b. ☐ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract		

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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC: H04L

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

CNPAT, CNKI, WPI, EPDOC, IEEE: 802.3, ethernet, extend+, PMA, physical medium attachment, auto w negotiation, training, data, phase, back w channel, modulat+, convey+

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 2014146833A1 (LUSTED, Kent C. et al.) 29 May 2014(29.05.2014) abstract, description, paragraphs [0042]-[0059], [0098]-[0104], [0119]-[0122] and figure 1	1-23
X	US 2014086264A1 (LUSTED, Kent C. et al.) 27 Mar.2014(27.03.2014) abstract, description, paragraphs [0041]-[0054], [0099]-[0107], [0119]-[0122] and figure 1	1-23
X	US 2013343400A1 (LUSTED, Kent C. et al.) 26 Dec.2013(26.12.2013) abstract, description, paragraphs [0036]-[0049], [0082] and figure 1	1-23
A	CN 1941649A (BROADCOM CORPORATION) 04 Apr.2007(04.04.2007) the whole document	1-23
A	LAN/MAN Standards Committee of the IEEE Computer Society IEEE Standard for Ethernet IEEE Std 802.3™-2015 03 Sep.2015(03.09.2015) the whole document	1-23

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.☒ See patent family annex.

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<p>* Special categories of cited documents:</p> <p>"A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance</p> <p>"E" earlier application or patent but published on or after the international filing date</p> <p>"L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim (S) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)</p> <p>"O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means</p> <p>"P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed</p>	<p>"T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention</p> <p>"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone</p> <p>"Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art</p> <p>"&" document member of the same patent family</p>
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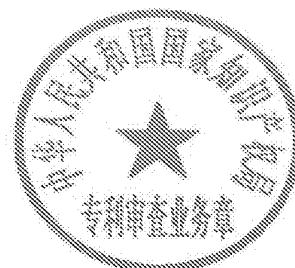


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US2013343400A1	26.12.2013	WO2013191912A1	27.12.2013
		CN104322014A	28.01.2015
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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- ☐ Box No. II Priority
- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43*bis*.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ☒ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. FURTHER ACTION

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1*bis*(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later.

For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220.

3. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220.

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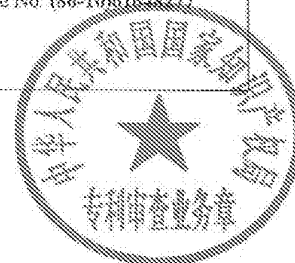
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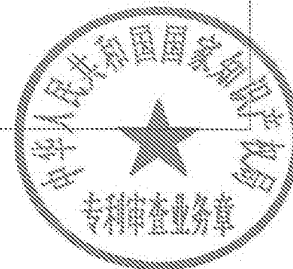
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Box No. I Basis of the opinion

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
☒ the international application in the language in which it was filed.
☐ a translation of the international application into _____ which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).
2. ☐ This opinion has been established taking into account the rectification of an obvious mistake authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91(Rule 43bis.1(a)).
3. ☐ With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, this opinion has been established on the basis of a sequence listing filed or furnished:
a. (means):
☐ on paper
☐ in electronic form
b. (time):
☐ in the international application as filed
☐ together with the international application in electronic form
☐ subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search
4. ☐ In addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing has been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional copies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as appropriate, were furnished.
5. Additional comments:

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement:

Novelty (N)	Claims <u>1-23</u>	YES
	Claims <u>None</u>	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims <u>None</u>	YES
	Claims <u>1-23</u>	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims <u>1-23</u>	YES
	Claims <u>None</u>	NO

2. Citations and explanations

The reasoning with claim 14 is based on the prediction in Box No. VIII.

(1) Reference is made to the following document:

D1: US2014146833A1

(2) Novelty and Inventive step

(2.1) D1 discloses a method for implementing PMA alignment and rapid transition from a link training mode to a data mode (see abstract, description, paragraphs [0042]-[0059], [0098]-[0104], [0119]-[0122] and figure 1): The PHY structure of one embodiment of a 100 GBASE-KP4 link is illustrated in FIG. 1. The PHY is responsible for dealing with details of operation of the signals on a particular link between two link partners, depicted by components A and B. The physical connectivity of each interconnect link is made up of four differential pairs of signals 100, comprising lanes 0-3 in each direction. Each port supports a link pair consisting of two uni-directional links to complete the connection between two components. Each port comprises a Transmit (Tx) link interface and a Receive (Rx) link interface. The 100 GBASE-KP4 link is established using the following sequence: (1) Auto-negotiate capabilities to link partner; (2) Send out training sequence to tune PHY for the channel's characteristics; (3) Count down to data mode and Send out idle symbols. The training frames are transmitted using Physical Media Attachment (PMA) framing logic. Component A has a Tx port102 that is connected to Component B Rx port104. Meanwhile, Component B has a Tx port104 that is connected to Component B Rx port108. The 100 GBASE-KP4 PHY uses PAM4 signal to send and receive data across the channel. The following information is implicitly disclosed based on the disclosure of D1: (claim 1) an Ethernet link extender that comprises: a first and a second PMA circuit having a transmitter and a receiver, and their communication manner; (claim 11) an Ethernet link extension method that comprises: in a first communications phase for auto-negotiation and its details; and a subsequent communications phase for training; and (claim 21) an Ethernet link extension method that comprises, in a first communications phase for





auto-negotiation: coupling a transmitter of a second PMA circuit to a receiver of a first PMA circuit to retransmit channel signal waveforms received from a first node; coupling a transmitter of the first PMA circuit to a receiver of the second PMA circuit to retransmit channel signal waveforms received from a second node; and a subsequent frame-forwarding phase.

(2.2) The subject matter of claim 1 differs from D1 in that: (1) the first and second PMA circuits each including a respective training controller that, during the training phase, generates training frames for transmission by the transmitter of the respective PMA circuit based in part on back-channel information and training status information from the receiver of the respective PMA circuit.

The subject matter of claim 11 differs from D1 in that: said (1).

The subject matter of claim 21 differs from D1 in that: (2) the auto-negotiation phase includes: monitoring spectra of the channel signal waveforms received from at least one of the first and second nodes to detect an end of the auto-negotiation phase; (3) the details of frame-forwarding phase.

Therefore, the subject matter of claims 1, 11 and 21 is novel in the sense of PCT Article 33(2).

As to the above differences, D1 discloses: data mode, the 100 GBASE-KP4 PHY uses a 4-level pulse amplitude modulation PAM4 signal to send and receive data across the channel. Hence, difference (3) is a normal design option known to the person skilled in the art. And differences (1), (2) are also normal design option known to the person skilled in the art. Therefore, the subject matter of claims 1, 11, 21 does not involve an inventive step in the sense of PCT Article 33(3).

(2.3) Claims 2-10, 12-20, 22-23 are dependent claims. Part of the additional features are disclosed by D1 (see the same reference), the other part of the additional features are common technical means to the person skilled in the art. Therefore, the subject matter of claims 2-10, 12-20, 22-23 is novel in the sense of PCT Article 33(2), but does not involve an inventive step in the sense of PCT Article 33(3).

(3) Industrial applicability

Claims 1-23 meet the requirements of PCT Article 33(4).



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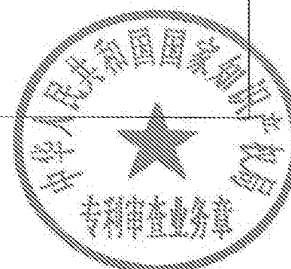
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Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

The following observations on the clarity of the claims, description, and drawings or on the question whether the claim supported by the description, are made:

The subject matter of dependent claim 14 is different from the subject matter of independent claim 1. Therefore, claim 14 is not clear in the sense of PCT Article 6. The reasoning with claim 14 in Box No.V is based on the following prediction: the subject matter of claim 14 is "The method claim 11".

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Application Number	16/552,927
Filing Date	August 27, 2019
First Named Inventor	Junqing (Phil) SUN
Title	SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING ADAPTABLE PRESET COEFFICIENT REGISTERS
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	20160.0031.NPUS00

SIGNATURE of Applicant or Patent Practitioner

Signature	/Daniel J. Krueger/	Date (Optional)	2019-10-15
Name	Daniel J. Krueger	Registration Number	42,771
Title (if Applicant is a juristic entity)			
Applicant Name (if Applicant is a juristic entity)	Credo Technology Group Limited		
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Name

Title

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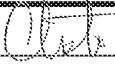
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Assignee Name and Address: **Credo Technology Group Limited, Ugland House, Grand Cayman Ky1-1104, Cayman Islands**

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SIGNATURE of Assignee of Record

The individual whose signature and title is supplied below is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee

Signature		Date	2-9-2018
Name	Adam Thorngate-Gottlund	Telephone	408-664-9329 x127
Title	General Counsel		

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Applicant/Patent Owner: Junqing (Phil) SUN and Haoli QIAN

Application No./Patent No.: 16/552,927 Filed/Issue Date: August 27, 2019

Titled: SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING ADAPTABLE PRESET COEFFICIENT REGISTERS

Credo Technology Group Limited, a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

/Daniel J . Krueger/

Signature

Daniel J . Krueger

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WORLDWIDE ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I/WE, (hereinafter referred to as the "ASSIGNOR(S)");

Junqing Sun, a citizen of P.R. China, residing in Fremont, California, U.S.A.
Haoli Qian, a citizen of P.R. China, residing in Fremont, California, U.S.A.

has/have invented a **SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING EFFICIENT ADAPTATION** ("Invention") for which one or more applications for patent, design registration, utility model registration, or other form of protection, rights, or title have been or will be made in certain countries ("Applications"), as further described below:

US, Application No. 62/723,701; Filed August 28, 2018;

AND WHEREAS, **CREDO TECHNOLOGY GROUP LIMITED**, (hereinafter referred to as the "ASSIGNEE"), a limited company organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands, having a place of business at Ugland House, Grand Cayman KY1-1104, Cayman Islands, is desirous of acquiring the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said Invention, said Applications inclusive of all ancillary rights relating thereto, any and all priority rights derived from said Applications, and all patents, design registrations, utility model registrations and other forms of protection, rights and titles relating to said Invention, in any country or countries and in respect of the whole or any part or parts of or improvements to the Invention;

NOW THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR(S) does/do hereby confirm that ASSIGNOR(S) has/have transferred, conveyed and assigned, and by way of further assurance does/do hereby transfer, convey and assign, any and all of ASSIGNOR(S)'s respective rights, title and interest in and to: the Invention; the Applications; any further applications for patent, design registration, utility model registration or other forms of protection, rights or titles for the whole or any part or parts of or improvements to the Invention in any country or countries ("Further Applications") together with the right to file divisional applications, substitute applications and continuation applications of any one or more of the Applications and Further Applications ("Divisionals"); the right to obtain patents, design registrations, utility model registrations and all other forms of protection, rights and titles relating to the Invention; the right in and to any patent or reissue patent relating to the Applications, Further Applications and Divisionals ("Grants"); and the right to obtain any extensions / supplementary protection certificates ("Extensions"); together with the right to bring proceedings to recover damages and/or to obtain other remedies for acts committed in respect of one or more of the aforesaid Invention, Applications, Grants, Further Applications, Divisionals and Extensions, whether such acts are committed before or after the date of this

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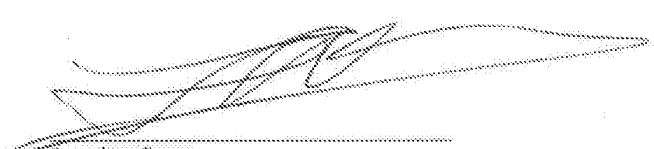
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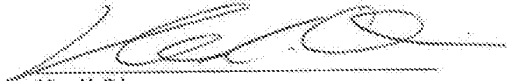
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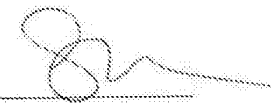
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DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)

Title of invention	SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING EFFICIENT ADAPTATION
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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

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LEGAL NAME OF INVENTOR

Inventor: Junqing Sun Date (Optional): 7/25/2019

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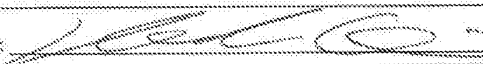
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Inventor: Haoli Qian Date (Optional): _____

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APPLICATION AS FILED - PART I						
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BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a), (b), or (c))	N/A	N/A	N/A	75	N/A	
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INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(h))	3	minus 3 = *	x 230 =	0.00		
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Power of Attorney: None

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This appln claims benefit of 62/723,701 08/28/2018

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Title

SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING ADAPTABLE PRESET COEFFICIENT REGISTERS

Preliminary Class

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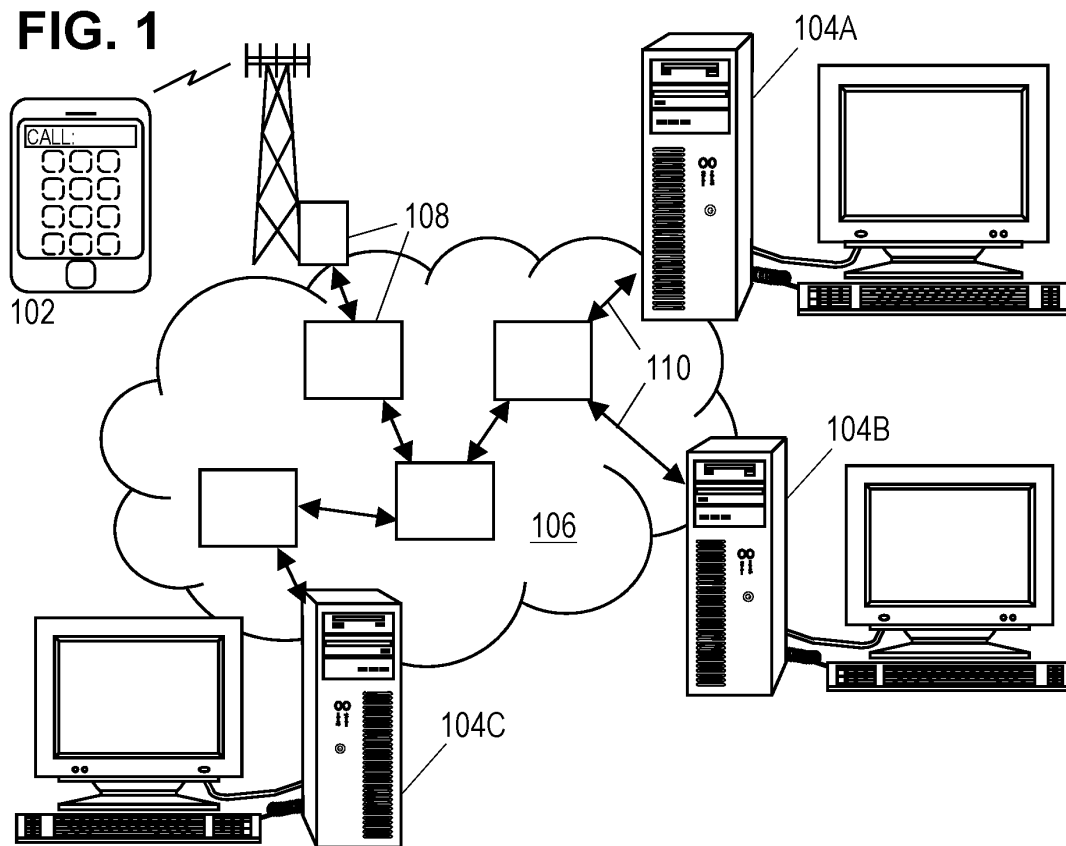
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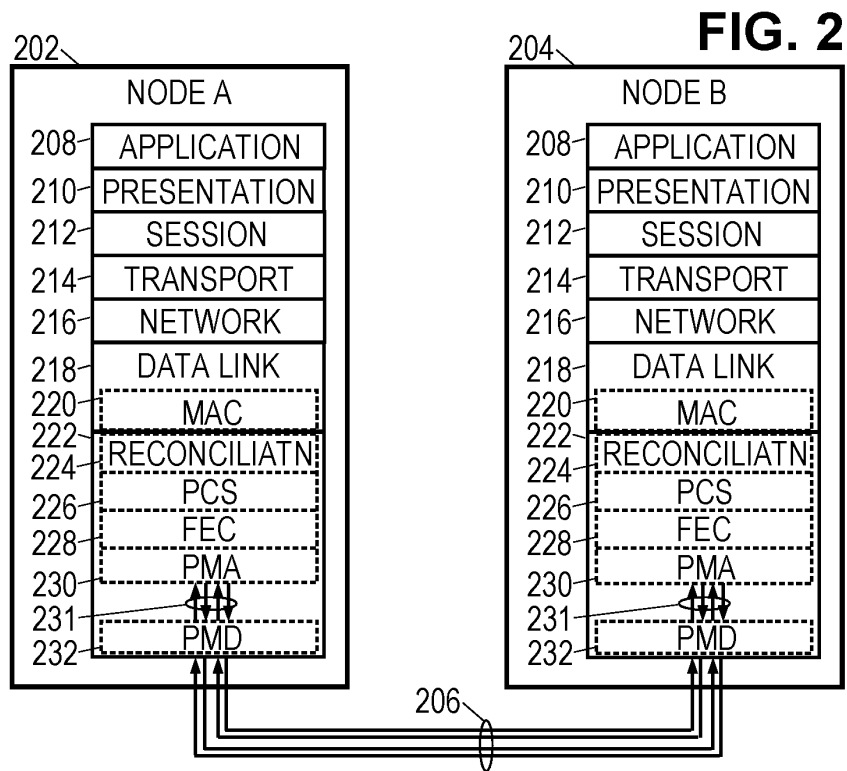
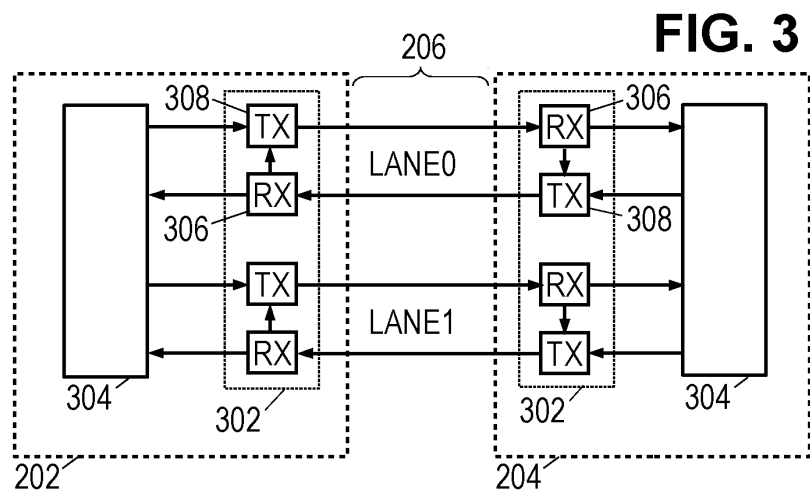
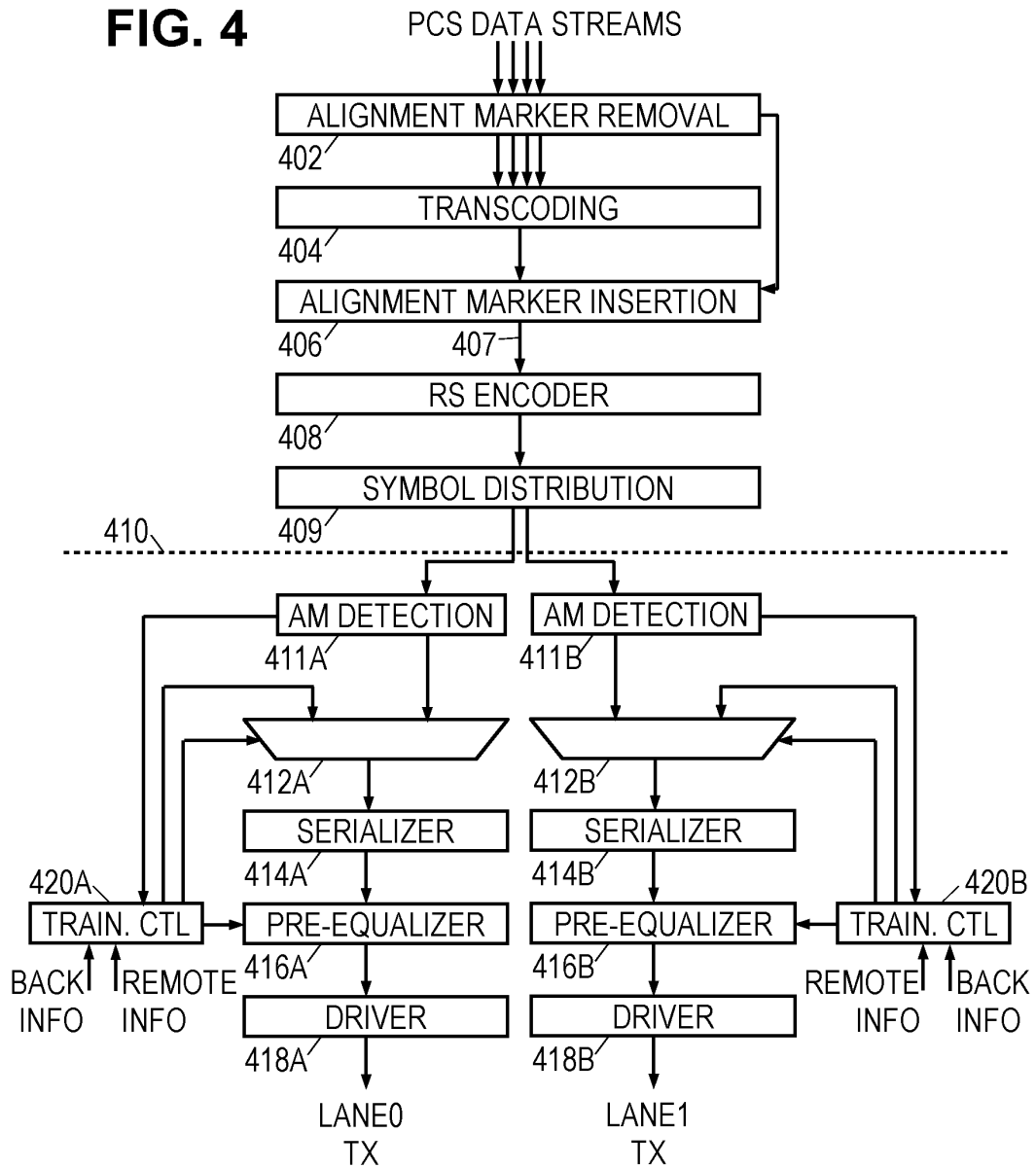


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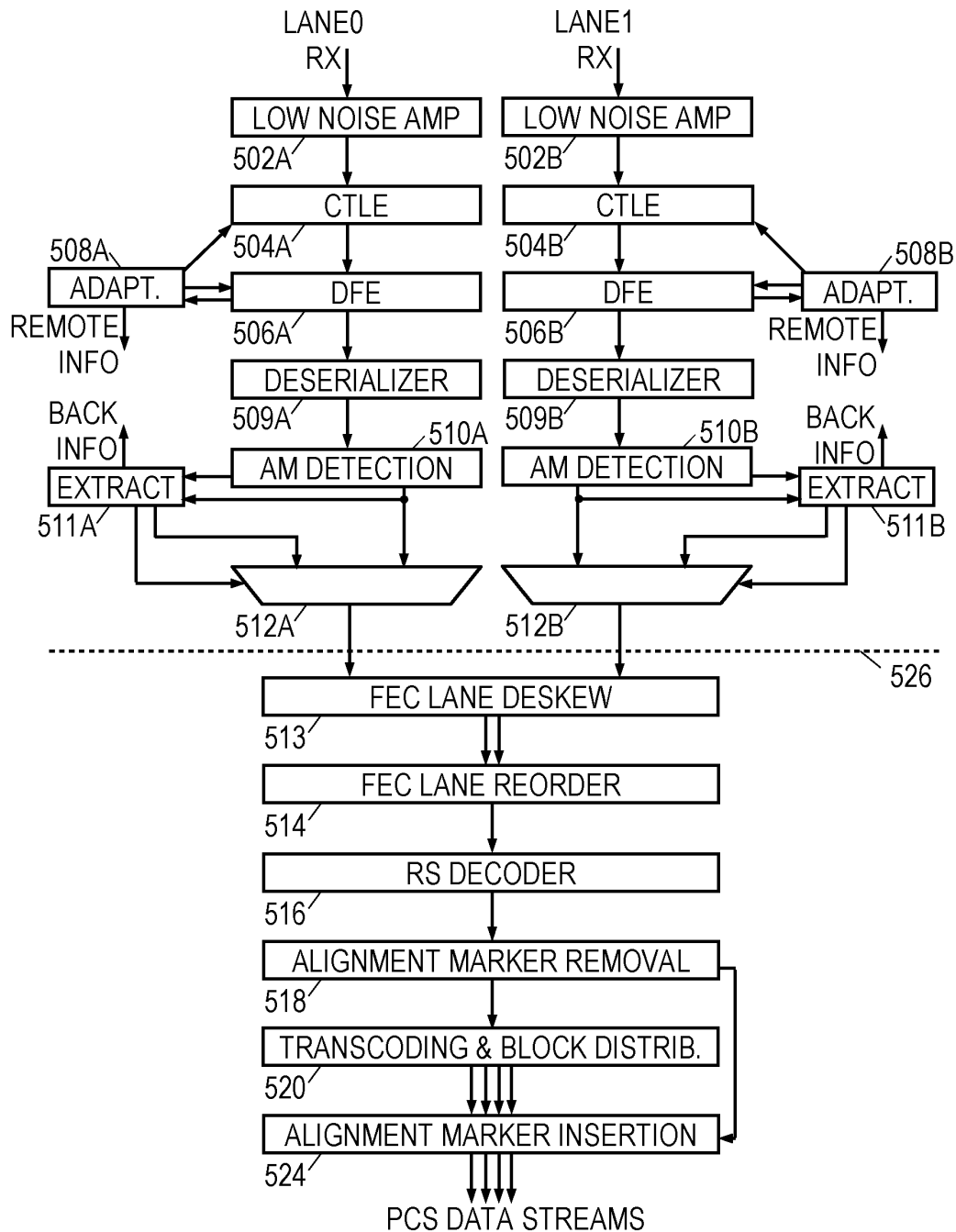


FIG. 5

FIG. 6A

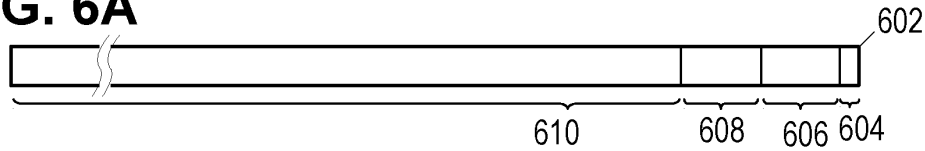


FIG. 6B



FIG. 6C

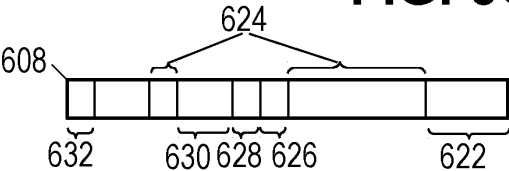


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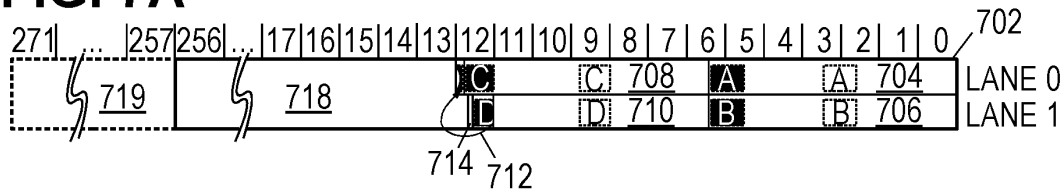


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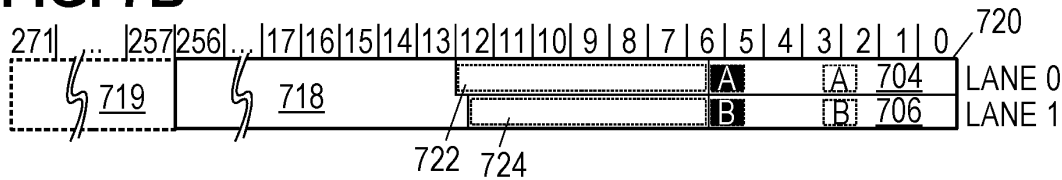


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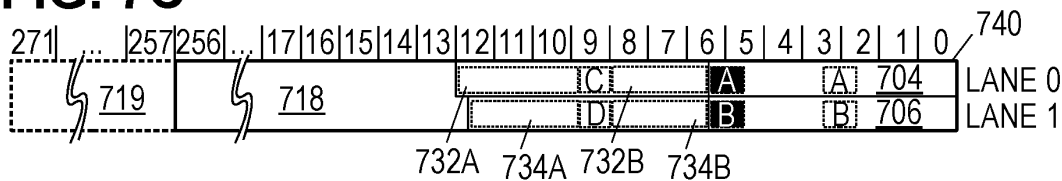


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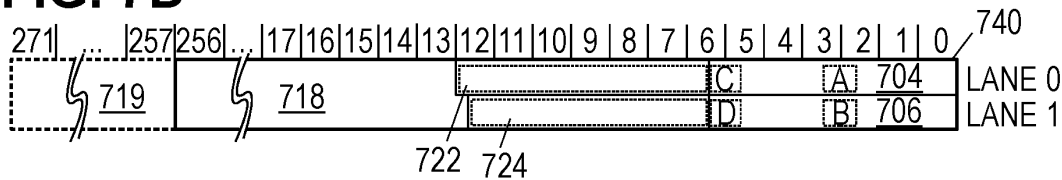


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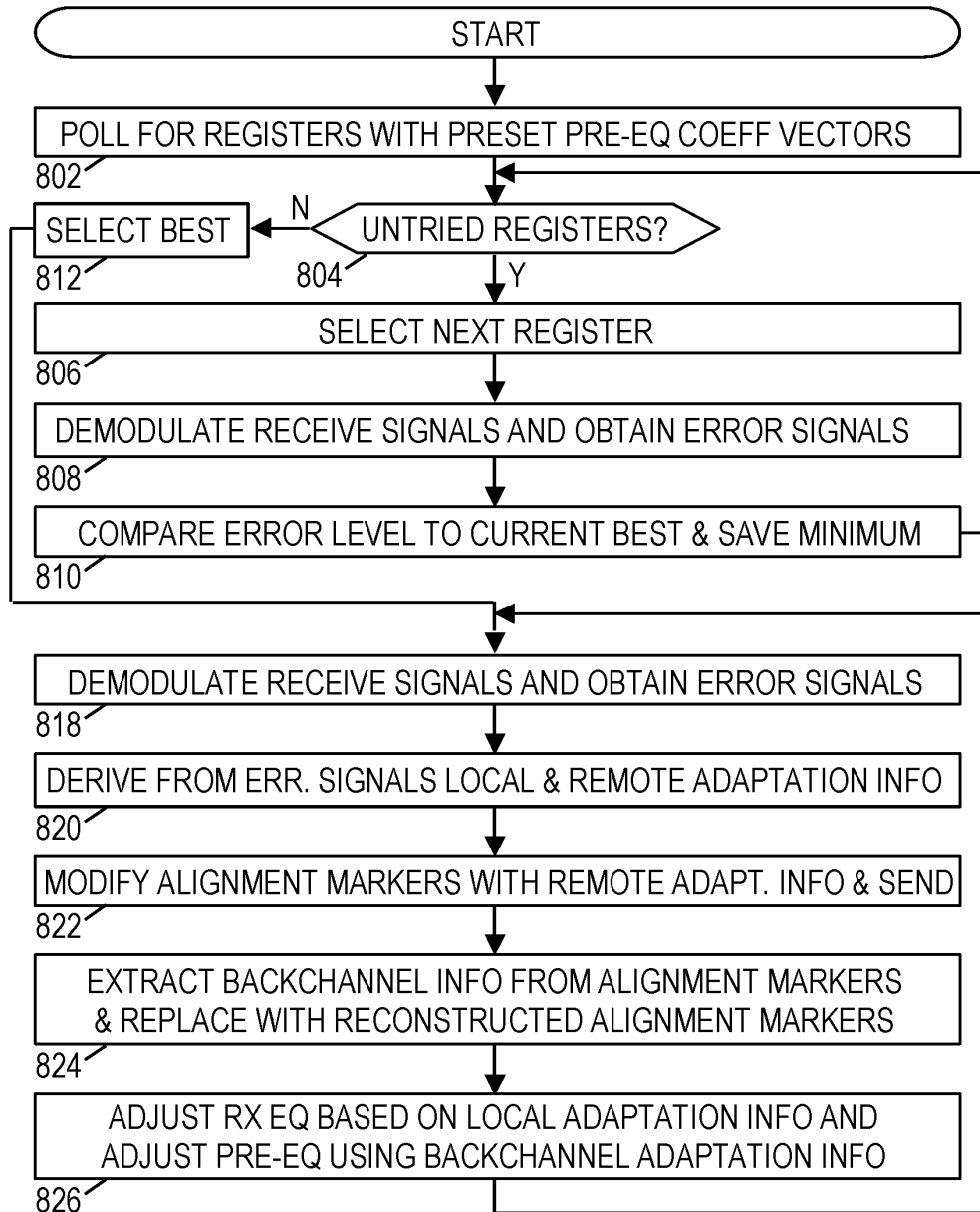
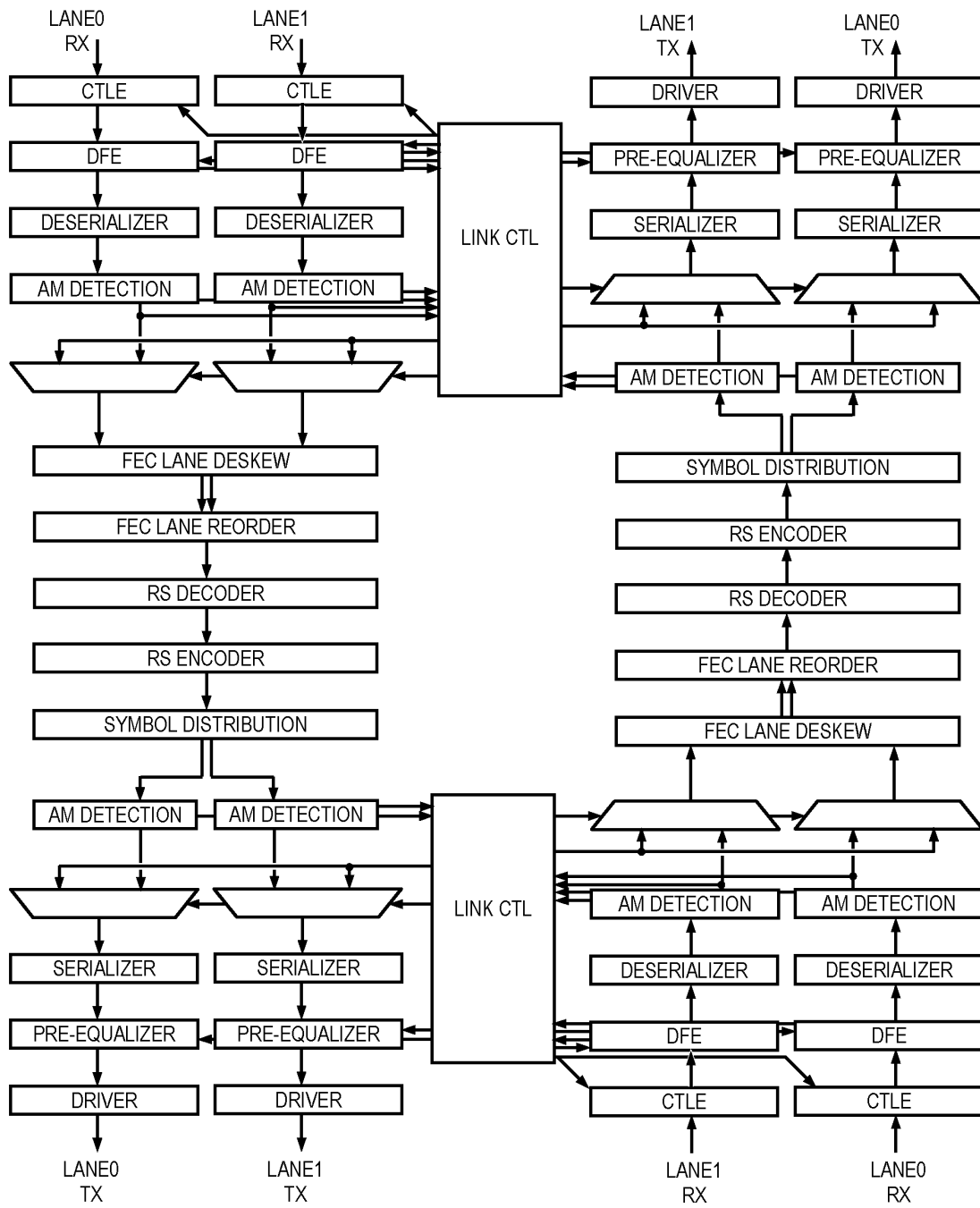


FIG. 9



SERDES PRE-EQUALIZER HAVING ADAPTABLE PRESET COEFFICIENT REGISTERS

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] This application claims priority to Provisional Application US 62/723,701, filed 2018-08-28 and titled "SerDes Pre-Equalizer Having Efficient Adaptation" by inventors J.Sun and H.Qian, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference. This application further relates to Application US 15/654,446, filed 2017-07-19 and titled "SerDes Architecture with a Hidden Backchannel Protocol" by inventor J.Sun.

BACKGROUND

[0002] The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standards Association publishes an IEEE Standard for Ethernet, IEEE Std 802.3-2015, which will be familiar to those of ordinary skill in the art to which this application pertains. This standard provides a common media access control specification for local area network (LAN) operations at selected speeds from 1 Mb/s to 100 Gb/s over coaxial cable, twisted wire pair cable, fiber optic cable, and electrical backplanes, with various channel signal constellations. As demand continues for ever-higher data rates, extensions to the standard must account for increased channel attenuation and dispersion even as the equalizers are forced to operate at faster symbol rates. One potential course of action employs enhanced equalization techniques, but such techniques should be implemented in a manner that does not limit performance or introduce undesirable hardware complexity or cost.

SUMMARY

[0003] Accordingly, there are disclosed herein a serializer-deserializer (SerDes) architecture and method that implements an efficient adaptation interface for transmitter pre-equalizers in a standards-suitable fashion. An illustrative SerDes (serializer-deserializer) communications method embodiment may include a transceiver: selecting one of multiple registers to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values; updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during a training phase; and using the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values to convey a transmit data stream.

[0004] In an illustrative embodiment of a chip-to-module communications link, a port connector

couples a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, the pluggable module transceiver including: one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to the port transceiver; and a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

[0005] Each of the foregoing embodiments may be implemented individually or in combination, and may be implemented with any one or more of the following features in any suitable combination: 1. each of the multiple registers corresponds to a different channel model. 2. at least some of the different channel models are for chip-to-module (C2M) channels with different insertion loss and package loss characteristics. 3. at least some of the different channel models presume different types of receiver equalization. 4. said selecting includes using the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values to determine a performance characteristic for each of the multiple registers. 5. the performance characteristic is an error signal energy. 6. the performance characteristic is a bit error rate. 7. updating the selected register with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values. 8. one of the registers is selected by the port transceiver to specify the initial coefficient values. 9. the port transceiver iteratively selects different ones of the multiple registers and determines a performance characteristic for each. 10. the port transceiver generates updates for the coefficient values of the one or more transmit filters. 11. the controller saves updated coefficient values in one of the registers. 12. performing simultaneous updates of multiple coefficients values. 13. performing coarse updates before performing fine updates of coefficient values.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0006] In the drawings:

[0007] Fig. 1 shows an illustrative communications network.

[0008] Fig. 2 is a diagram of an illustrative multi-lane communications link model.

[0009] Fig. 3 is a block diagram of an illustrative communications link.

[0010] Fig. 4 is a block diagram of a transmit chain in an illustrative multi-lane transceiver.

[0011] Fig. 5 is a block diagram of a receive chain in an illustrative multi-lane transceiver.

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- [0012] Figs. 6A-6C show fields of an illustrative training frame.
- [0013] Fig. 7A shows sets of grouped alignment markers in an illustrative multi-lane data stream.
- [0014] Fig. 7B shows a first data stream embodiment having hidden backchannel fields.
- [0015] Fig. 7C shows a second data stream embodiment having hidden backchannel fields.
- [0016] Fig. 7D shows a third data stream embodiment having hidden backchannel fields.
- [0017] Fig. 8 is a flowchart of an illustrative multi-lane communications method.
- [0018] Fig. 9 is a block diagram of an illustrative pluggable module.
- [0019] It should be understood, however, that the specific embodiments given in the drawings and detailed description do not limit the disclosure. On the contrary, they provide the foundation for one of ordinary skill to discern the alternative forms, equivalents, and modifications that are encompassed in the scope of the appended claims.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0020] The disclosed apparatus and methods are best understood in the context of the larger environments in which they operate. Accordingly, Fig. 1 shows an illustrative communications network 100 including mobile devices 102 and computer systems 104A-C coupled via a routing network 106. The routing network 106 may be or include, for example, the Internet, a wide area network, or a local area network. In Fig. 1, the routing network 106 includes a network of equipment items 108, such as switches, routers, and the like. The equipment items 108 are connected to one another, and to the computer systems 104A-C, via point-to-point communication links 110 that transport data between the various network components. At least some of the links 110 in network 106 are high-speed multi-lane links such as Ethernet links operating in compliance with the IEEE Std 802.3-2015 (or later) at 10 Gb/s or more.

[0021] Fig. 2 shows a communications link between two nodes 202, 204, that operate in accordance with the ISO/IEC Model for Open Systems Interconnection (See ISO/IEC 7498-1:1994.1) to communicate over a physical medium represented by transmit and receive channels 206. The interconnection reference model employs a hierarchy of layers with defined functions and interfaces to facilitate the design and implementation of compatible systems by different

teams or vendors. While it is not a requirement, it is expected that the higher layers in the hierarchy will be implemented primarily by software or firmware operating on programmable processors while the lower layers may be implemented as application-specific hardware.

[0022] The Application Layer 208 is the uppermost layer in the model, and it represents the user applications or other software operating on different systems (e.g., equipment 108), which need a facility for communicating messages or data. The Presentation Layer 210 provides such applications with a set of application programming interfaces (APIs) that provide formal syntax, along with services for data transformations (e.g., compression), establishing communication sessions, connectionless communication mode, and negotiation to enable the application software to identify the available service options and select therefrom. The Session Layer 212 provides services for coordinating data exchange including: session synchronization, token management, full- or half-duplex mode implementation, and establishing, managing, and releasing a session connection. In connectionless mode, the Session Layer may merely map between session addresses and transport addresses.

[0023] The Transport Layer 214 provides services for multiplexing, end-to-end sequence control, error detection, segmenting, blocking, concatenation, flow control on individual connections (including suspend/resume), and implementing end-to-end service quality specifications. The focus of the Transport Layer 214 is end-to-end performance/behavior. The Network Layer 216 provides a routing service, determining the links used to make the end-to-end connection and when necessary acting as a relay service to couple together such links. The Data link layer 218 serves as the interface to physical connections, providing delimiting, synchronization, sequence and flow control across the physical connection. It may also detect and optionally correct errors that occur across the physical connection. The Physical layer 222 provides the mechanical, electrical, functional, and procedural means to activate, maintain, and deactivate channels 206, and to use the channels 206 for transmission of bits across the physical media.

[0024] The Data Link Layer 218 and Physical Layer 222 are subdivided and modified slightly by IEEE Std 802.3-2015, which provides a Media Access Control (MAC) Sublayer 220 in the Data Link Layer 218 to define the interface with the Physical Layer 222, including a frame structure and transfer syntax. Within the Physical Layer 222, the standard provides a variety of possible

subdivisions such as the one illustrated in Fig. 2, which includes an optional Reconciliation Sublayer 224, a Physical Coding Sublayer (PCS) 226, a Forward Error Correction (FEC) Sublayer 228, a Physical Media Attachment (PMA) Sublayer 230, and a Physical Medium Dependent (PMD) Sublayer 232.

[0025] The optional Reconciliation Sublayer 224 merely maps between interfaces defined for the MAC Sublayer 220 and the PCS Sublayer 226. The PCS Sublayer 226 provides scrambling/descrambling, data encoding/decoding (with a transmission code that enables clock recovery and bit error detection), block and symbol redistribution, PCS alignment marker insertion/removal, and block-level lane synchronization and deskew. To enable bit error rate estimation by components of the Physical Layer 222, the PCS alignment markers typically include Bit-Interleaved-Parity (BIP) values derived from the preceding bits in the lane up to and including the preceding PCS alignment marker.

[0026] The FEC Sublayer 228 provides, e.g., Reed-Solomon coding/decoding that distributes data blocks with controlled redundancy across the lanes to enable error correction. In some embodiments (e.g., in accordance with Article 91 or proposed Article 134 for the IEEE Std 802.3), the FEC Sublayer 228 modifies the number of lanes. For example, under proposed Article 134, a four-lane outgoing data stream (including PCS alignment markers) may be converted into a two-lane transmit data stream. Conversely, the FEC Sublayer 228 may convert a two-lane receive data stream into a four-lane incoming data stream. In both directions, the PCS alignment markers may be preserved, yielding pairs (or more generally, "sets") of grouped PCS alignment markers in the multi-lane data streams being communicated to and from the PMA Sublayer 230. (Article 91 provides for a 20-to-4 lane conversion, yielding sets of 5 grouped PCS alignment markers in each lane of the data streams communicated between the FEC and PMA sublayers.)

[0027] The PMA Sublayer 230 provides lane remapping, symbol encoding/decoding, framing, and octet/symbol synchronization. In at least some contemplated embodiments, the multi-lane data stream 231 communicated to and from the PMA Sublayer 230 complies with the attachment unit interface (AUI) requirements of the IEEE standard. Several varieties of the AUI requirements exist and are named based on the nominal bit rate and the number of lanes. For example, Annexes 120E and 135G to the IEEE standard provide requirements for 50GAUI-1, 100GAUI-2,

200GAUI-4, and 400GAUI-8, which respectively employ 1, 2, 4, and 8 lanes of NRZ signaling at a per-lane symbol rate of 53.125 GBd. Recently proposed extensions provide requirements for 100GAUI-1, 200GAUI-2, 400GAUI-4, and 800GAUI-8, which respectively employ 1, 2, 4, and 8 lanes of PAM4 signaling at per-lane symbol rates of 53.125 GBd.

[0028] The PMD Sublayer 232 specifies the transceiver conversions between transmitted/received channel signals and the corresponding AUI-compliant bit (or digital symbol) streams. The PMD Sublayer also implements an initial start-up of the communications channels 206, optionally conducting an auto-negotiation phase and a link-training phase before entering a normal operating phase. The auto-negotiation phase enables the end nodes to exchange information about their capabilities, and the training phase enables the end nodes to adapt both transmit-side and receive-side equalization filters in a fashion that combats the channel non-idealities

[0029] More information regarding the operation of the sublayers, as well as the electrical and physical specifications of the connections between the nodes and the communications medium (e.g., pin layouts, line impedances, signal voltages & timing), arrangements of the communications medium (e.g., the network topology), and the electrical and physical specifications for the communications medium itself (e.g., conductor arrangements in copper or fiber optic cable, limitations on attenuation, propagation delay, signal skew), can be found in the standard, and any such details should be considered to be well within the knowledge of those having ordinary skill in the art. The discussion below focuses on modifications specific to the present disclosure.

[0030] Fig. 3 provides a block diagram of those portions of nodes 202, 204, that may implement the Data Link Layer 218 and Physical Layer 222. Transceivers 302 for multiple transmit and receive channels are coupled to a host interface 304. The transceivers 302 and host interface 304 may be, e.g., part of a network interface peripheral coupled to the I/O bus of a personal computer, server, network switch, or other network-connected electronic system. The host interface 304 may implement the MAC Sublayer, optional Reconciliation Sublayer, and PCS Sublayer, and elements of the FEC, PMA, and PMD Sublayers, as application-specific integrated circuitry to enable high-rate processing and data transmission. The illustrated transceivers 302, preferably

embodied as application-specific integrated circuitry for very high-rate serial data transmission and reception, include multiple pairs of a receiver 306 and transmitter 308, each pair coupled to two unidirectional channels (a receive channel and a transmit channel) to implement one lane of a multi-lane physical connection. The physical connection thus accepts from each node transmit channel signals representing a multi-lane transmit stream and conveys the signals to the other node, delivering them as receive channel signals representing a multi-lane receive data stream. The receive signals may be degraded due to the physical channel's introduction of noise, attenuation, and signal dispersion.

[0031] Note that while the following discussion glosses over the traces conveying AUI-compliant multi-lane stream 231 between the PMA Sublayer 230 and the PMD Sublayer 232, focusing instead on communication channels 206, the disclosed principles are also applicable to this so-called "chip-to-module" (C2M) link, which will receive more detailed consideration after the description of Figs. 4-5.

[0032] Figs. 4 and 5 provide a more detailed block diagram of illustrative transmit and receive chains in the sublayers below the PCS. The transmit chain in Fig. 4 accepts a four-lane data stream from the PCS. Pursuant to the standard, the PCS data stream is already encoded with a transmission code that provides DC balance and enables timing recovery. The PCS data stream lanes further include PCS alignment markers for synchronizing the lanes with each other. Once the data stream lanes are aligned, an alignment marker removal module 402 removes the alignment markers from each lane, passing them to a downstream alignment marker insertion module 406. A transcoding module 404 modifies the transmission code from a 64b/66b code to a 256b/257b code more appropriate for use with the Reed-Solomon encoder. By repeatedly transcoding four 66-bit blocks taken in parallel from the four incoming lanes into individual 257-bit blocks, the transcoding module may essentially convert the four lanes into a single lane data stream.

[0033] The previously-mentioned alignment marker insertion module 406 accepts the PCS alignment marker information from removal module 402 and the single-lane data stream from transcoding module 404. The insertion module 406 combines the alignment marker information from the four lanes in a manner discussed further below to form a set of grouped alignment

markers in a 257-bit block and, accounting for the operation of the transcoding module 404, inserts the alignment block in a fashion that preserves its location relative to the other data in the data stream 407. As described further with respect to Figs. 7A-7C, the alignment block is designed to account for the operation of the encoder module 408 and symbol distribution modules 409 such that the alignment markers appear essentially intact and in order in the two-lane transmit data stream crossing boundary 410.

[0034] A Reed-Solomon (RS) encoder module 408 operates on 10-bit "symbol" blocks of the data stream 407 from the insertion module 406, adding redundancy to enable downstream correction of symbol errors. Typically, the encoder module 408 operates to preserve the original data stream content while appending so-called "parity" information, e.g., 30 parity symbol blocks appended to 514 data symbol blocks to form a complete code word block. Thus the alignment blocks inserted by module 406 will remain present in the output data-stream from the encoder module. A symbol distribution module 409 distributes code word symbols across multiple transmission lanes in round-robin fashion, directing each lane to a corresponding transmitter. Boundary 410 may be considered as the boundary between the FEC sublayer 228 and the PMA sublayer 230. Where it is desired to maintain this boundary as strongly as possible, the PMA sublayer may include an alignment marker detection module 411A (and 411B) for each lane of the transmit data stream to detect the alignment markers inserted by module 406 with suitable data buffering. Alternatively, this boundary can be relaxed and the alignment marker detection modules 411A, 411B omitted in favor of appropriate direct signaling from the alignment marker insertion module 406. In either case, the training control modules 420A, 420B control the multiplexers 412A, 412B in each lane, based at least in part on detection signals indicating the presence of the alignment markers.

[0035] Multiplexers 412A, 412B forward the encoded data streams to serializer modules 414A, 414B during normal operations and in the absence of alignment markers. During auto-negotiation and training phases, the multiplexers supply negotiation and training data streams from the training control modules 420A, 420B to the serializers. During normal operations in the presence of alignment markers, the multiplexers 412A, 412B (acting as alignment marker replacement modules) supply the serializer modules with modified alignment markers as

discussed further below. The serializers 414A, 414B, each accept a stream of transmit data blocks and convert the stream of blocks into a (higher-rate) stream of channel symbols. Where, for example, a 4-PAM signal constellation is used, each serializer may produce a stream of two-bit symbols.

[0036] Each stream of channel symbols is filtered by a pre-equalizer module 416A, 416B to produce a transmit signal, which is amplified and supplied to the transmit channel by a driver 418A, 418B. The pre-equalizer modules compensate for at least some of the channel dispersion, reducing or eliminating the need for receiver-side equalization. Such pre-equalization may be advantageous in that it avoids the noise enhancement often associated with receiver-side equalization and enables digital filtering with a reduced bit-width. The bit width reduction directly reduces power consumption by requiring a less complex filter, but may further reduce power consumption by obviating the parallelization that a more complex filter might require to operate at the required bandwidth. However, pre-equalization generally requires knowledge of the channel.

[0037] One or more training controllers 420A, 420B, operate to characterize the channel after conducting an initial auto-negotiation phase. During the auto-negotiation phase, at least one training controller generates a sequence of auto-negotiation frames conveying capabilities of the local node to the remote node and negotiating to select a combination of features to be used for subsequent communications. When the auto-negotiation phase is complete, each training controller generates a sequence of training frames, so that training is carried out independently on each of the lanes.

[0038] An illustrative training frame 602 is now described with reference to Figs. 6A-6C. The training frame 602 begins with a frame marker 604 indicating the start of the training frame. The frame marker 604 is followed by a coefficient update field 606, a status report field 608, and a training pattern 610. Unlike the training pattern, which provides a spectrally-dense channel symbol sequence to facilitate training, the preceding fields are sent using differential Manchester encoding to facilitate timing recovery and ensure reliable communication even with untrained equalizers.

[0039] Fig. 6B shows an illustrative coefficient update field 606, having a two-bit request field

612 to indicate whether a selected coefficient should be incremented, decremented, maintained at the present value, or disabled; a six-bit selection field 614 to select one of up to 64 pre-equalizer coefficients; a two-bit modulation field 616 to select a desired modulation scheme (e.g., 2-PAM, 4-PAM, with or without precoding); a one-bit filter length field 618 to indicate whether the pre-equalization filter should be short (no more than four coefficients) or long (more than four coefficients); and a two-bit initialization request field 620 to select a pre-programmed set of pre-equalization coefficient values. The unlabeled fields may be reserved for future use. The training controller(s) may use the coefficient update field 606 to convey backchannel information, i.e., adjustments to the pre-equalization filter coefficients of the remote transmitter.

[0040] Fig. 6C shows an illustrative status report field 608, having a three-bit coefficient status field 622 to report a successful update to a coefficient, an unsuccessful update, or an error condition (e.g., coefficient not supported, maximum voltage or coefficient limit reached); a one-bit and five-bit (totaling six bit) coefficient selection echo field 624 to echo back the coefficient selection from the remote node; a one bit initial condition status field 626 to report successful or unsuccessful setting of the coefficient values to an initial set of preprogrammed values; a one-bit lock status field 628 to indicate whether the receiver has achieved frame lock; a modulation status field 630 to report which modulation scheme is being employed by the transmitter; and a one-bit receiver ready field 632 to indicate whether the local node has finished training and is ready to begin data transmission. The training controller(s) may use the status report field 608 to convey confirmations and other local status information to the remote node.

[0041] Returning to Fig. 4, the one or more training controllers 420A, B, receive backchannel information extracted by the receiver from the received data stream and use the backchannel information to adjust the coefficients of the pre-equalization filters. The controllers further receive "remote info", which includes locally-generated information for adapting the coefficients of the pre-equalization filter in the remote node. Based on this information the controllers populate the coefficient selection field 614 and request field 612 of the training frames to provide backchannel information to the remote node. As training frames are employed only during the training phase, and as it may be desirable to continue updating the pre-equalization filter during normal operations, the training controller(s) 420 may include similar backchannel information in

or with the modified alignment markers supplied via multiplexers 412A, 412B during normal operations.

[0042] Though shown as a single lane, the 10-bit symbol blocks of data stream 407 can conceptually be arranged into two lanes in anticipation of the operation of symbol distribution module 409, which places adjacent symbol blocks in alternate lanes. Fig. 7A shows a 514 symbol message word 702 (corresponding to the length of twenty 257-bit blocks from transcoding module 404) in this fashion, with broken outline for the 30 parity symbols 719 to be appended by the Reed-Solomon encoder 408 to form a complete 544 symbol code word. The spacing of the alignment markers in the four-lane PCS data stream is such that when a set of grouped alignment markers are inserted in the data stream 407, the grouped alignment markers form the first 257 bits of a message word 702 (and also the first 257 bits of the resulting Reed-Solomon codeword) while data blocks 718 occupy the remainder of the message word. Within these 257 bits, the information from the four PCS data stream alignment markers are arranged in alternating 10-bit symbol blocks so that within each lane the information appears, in order, and as essentially intact PCS alignment markers 704, 706, 708, and 710. As the four 64-bit alignment markers fall one bit short of the 257-bit length of blocks put out by the transcoding module, a one-bit pad 714 is appended to the grouped alignment markers. Moreover, within these first 257 bits of the message word 702, the alignment markers don't align well with the 10-bit symbol block boundaries. To fill out a full 10-bit symbol in lane 0, a 2-bit portion of marker 710 is excerpted from position 712.

[0043] The alignment markers in the four lane PCS data stream carry bit-interleaved parity values (A, B, C, D in inverted and non-inverted versions) and employ unique marker (UM) patterns that are lane specific. The alignment insertion module 406 modifies the pattern of alignment marker 706 to agree with that of alignment marker 704, so that they share a common marker (CM) pattern to facilitate detection and synchronization of the two lanes at the receiver. The BIP values are preserved. While alignment makers 708, 710 could in theory be used to make the synchronization process more robust, their presence is only necessary for identifying lanes at the beginning of the communications process and thereafter only to convey the contents of their BIP fields. Once the lanes have been identified, the lane-specific patterns for markers 708, 710 are

redundant and these patterns may be omitted to make room for backchannel information. Thus multiplexers 412A, 412B, optionally with the support of alignment marker detection modules 411A, 411B, may replace the sets of grouped alignment markers with modified versions as shown in Figs. 7B-7D.

[0044] In some embodiments, the replacements begin only after a "settling period" (e.g., for one second after the multi-lane communications begin) or after a predetermined number (e.g., 100) of grouped alignment markers have been sent, with all sets of grouped alignment markers being modified thereafter. In other embodiments, the replacements occur periodically, with 1 out of every 2 sets being replaced, or 2 out of 3, or (N-1) out of N, with N potentially ranging as high as 10^5 to provide at least one unmodified set on the order of once per second. In still other embodiments, the replacement may occur on an as-needed basis, e.g., when degradation or drift is observed in the performance of the equalizers. In these as-needed embodiments, the replacements may begin upon detection of the reduced performance and continue until training convergence is achieved.

[0045] In Fig. 7B the UM alignment markers 708 and 710 are replaced in their entirety by a backchannel adaptation field 722 having 66 bits and a backchannel status field 724 having 63 bits (including the former pad bit 714). At the receiver, the backchannel information is extracted and the alignment markers 708, 710 restored with placeholders for the lost BIP (inverted and non-inverted) values. With SerDes systems employing forward error correction, the BIP values are no longer essential for determining bit error rates, and in this implementation the BIP values are sacrificed for additional backchannel bandwidth that will not substantively impact the operation or throughput of the higher sublayers and layers.

[0046] Nevertheless, different implementations may be employed to prevent the loss of BIP values in the restored alignment markers. In Fig. 7C, the UM patterns and inverted BIP values are dropped from alignment markers 708, 710 while the non-inverted BIP values are left in place. The UM patterns and inverted BIP values are replaced by an adaptation field 732A, 732B (for marker 708) and a status field 734A, 734B. This approach preserves alignment markers 704 and 706 unchanged from the markers inserted by module 406 while reallocating 56 bits from each of markers 708, 710 for hidden backchannel fields 732, 734. At the receiver, the backchannel

information is extracted and the alignment markers 708, 710 restored (and the BIP values preserved) without impact on the operation or throughput of the higher sublayers and layers.

[0047] In Fig. 7D, alignment markers 704, 706 are modified to replace their inverted BIP values with the non-inverted BIP values from alignment markers 708, 710. Their CM patterns remain unaffected so that the standard synchronization process still functions. Meanwhile, additional space is made available for backchannel information. As in Fig. 7B, backchannel adaptation field 722 has 66 bits while backchannel status field 724 has 63 bits (including the former pad bit 714). At the receiver, the backchannel information is extracted and the alignment markers 704, 706, 708, 710 are fully restored (and the BIP values preserved) without impact on the operation or throughput of the higher sublayers and layers.

[0048] As with the training frame, the backchannel information field(s) of the modified alignment markers may provide a six-bit field for selecting pre-equalization filter coefficients; a two-bit field for specifying that the selected coefficient should be incremented, decremented, maintained, or disabled; and perhaps a one-bit field for indicating whether the backchannel information field contains a valid command or should be ignored. The backchannel information field(s) may further provide a status report, with a six-bit field for echoing a filter coefficient selection; a two-bit field for indicating whether the coefficient has been updated, not updated, is at its limit, or is not supported; and perhaps a one-bit field for indicating that the receiver has obtained a lock on the lane alignments.

[0049] In an alternative embodiment, each coefficient of the pre-equalization filter may have a bit pair allocated within the modified alignment markers to indicate (in the adaptation field) whether that coefficient should be incremented, decremented, maintained, or disabled; or (in the status field) to indicate whether that coefficient is maximized, minimized, updated, or not updated.

[0050] As with the training frame, the backchannel information fields of the modified alignment markers may be encoded using differential Manchester encoding to ensure reliable delivery. Additionally or alternatively, reliability of the backchannel information field delivery may be enhanced using other techniques. For example, the backchannel information field may be sent redundantly, using multiple copies of a field to enable error detection and (for three or more

copies) voting-based error correction. (Notably, a standards-compliant alignment marker includes a bitwise-inverted duplication of each element, which can be extended to include the backchannel information field. If an odd number of copies is desired, the last field may be partly inverted.) A parity check or short FEC code may also provide controlled redundancy enabling the detection and possible correction of bit errors.

[0051] Having discussed the transmit chain and the fields (including hidden fields 722-724 or 732-734) potentially employed to communicate backchannel information during the training and normal operations phases, we turn now to the operation of an illustrative receive chain such as that shown in Fig. 5. The receive chain obtains analog electrical signals from different receive channels (indicated by Lane0-rx and Lane1-rx). These may be obtained directly from electrical conductors, if the physical medium is an electrical bus or cable, or indirectly via transducers if the physical medium is wireless. Low noise amplifiers (LNA) 502A,B, each provide a high input impedance to minimize channel loading and amplifies the receive signal to drive the input of a continuous time linear equalizer (CTLE) filter 504A,B.

[0052] CTLE filters 504A,B provide continuous time filtering to shape the receive signal spectrum in an adaptive fashion to reduce the length of the channel impulse response while minimizing leading inter-symbol interference (ISI). Decision feedback equalizers (DFE) 506A,B operate on the filtered signals to correct for trailing ISI and detect each transmitted channel bit or symbol, thereby producing a demodulated digital data stream. Some embodiments employ oversampling. Clock recovery and adaptation modules 508A,B derive a sampling clock signal from the input and/or output of the DFE's decision element and supply it back to the DFE to control timing of the symbol detection. The adaptation modules 508A,B further derive an error signal of the DFE decision element's input relative to the output or (during the training phase) to a known training pattern, and use the error signal to adapt the DFE coefficient(s) and the response of the CTLE filters. The adaptation modules still further use the error signal to generate "remote info", i.e., adaptation information for the remote pre-equalizers. This remote info is supplied to the training controller(s) 420 (Fig. 4).

[0053] Deserializers 509A,B group the digital receive data stream bits or symbols into blocks to enable the use of lower clock rates for subsequent on-chip operations. Alignment marker

detection modules 510A, 510B monitor the receive data stream to detect the CM pattern of the alignment markers and achieve alignment marker lock during normal operations, or during training operations to detect the training frame markers and achieve lock thereto. The backchannel information extraction modules 511A, 511B extract the backchannel information from the appropriate portions of the training frames and alignment markers, providing the pre-equalizer adaptation information and status report information to the training controller(s) 420. During normal operations, the multiplexers 512A, 512B, operating under control of the extraction modules 511A, 511B, replace the modified alignment markers with sets of grouped PCS alignment markers, thereby hiding the backchannel information fields from the higher layers. As with the transmit chain, the receive chain may impose a hard boundary 526 between the PMA sublayer and the FEC sublayer, or alternatively, the alignment marker detection information may be communicated to the FEC lane deskew module 513.

[0054] During normal operations, the receive data streams from the deserializers are aligned by an FEC lane deskew module 513. If the FEC lanes have somehow gotten switched, an FEC lane reordering module 514 detects the switch based on the contents of the alignment markers and compensates for the switch as the two lanes are multiplexed on a symbol-block basis into a single lane. An RS decoder module 516 operates on the single lane data stream to detect and correct any symbol errors, removing the FEC coding redundancy (parity symbols) during the decoding process.

[0055] A transcoding module 520 converts the 256b/257b transmission code words into blocks of four 64b/66b transmission code words distributing the 66-bit code word blocks across four PCS lanes. An alignment marker insertion module 524 converts the sets of grouped alignment markers into individual alignment markers having lane-specific UM patterns, and inserts the individual alignment markers at appropriate positions in the four lanes, accounting for the operation of the transcoding module 520. The four lane PCS data stream is provided to the higher hierarchy layers of the node for eventual communication of the conveyed data to the destination application.

[0056] With a sufficiently long pre-equalization filter, the DFE feedback filter may be kept quite short, at say 1 or 2 taps, and even when the channel has a relatively lengthy channel response,

the pre-equalization filter may obviate any need for a digital feed forward equalizer (FFE) filter. In this case, the power savings associated with this architecture is expected to be substantial. With temperature changes and general evolution of the channel, however, ongoing adaptation of the pre-equalization filter (i.e., during the normal operations phase) is expected to be necessary.

[0057] Returning now to the C2M link, the PMD Sublayer 232 may often be implemented in the form of a pluggable module (e.g., a small form-factor pluggable (SFP) or one of its many variations including SFP+, cSFP, SFP-DD, QSFP, QSPF+, QSFP14, QSFP28, QSFP56, etc.) that is inserted into a port in a host such as a switch or a router. The pluggable module may be essentially a concatenation of the PMA Sublayer and transceiver components set forth in Figs. 4-5 to support bi-directional communications between the AUI lanes and the communication channels with or without the accompanying FEC encoding/decoding elements, as shown in Fig. 9. (The "Link Ctl" elements are each an aggregation of blocks 420, 508, and 511.) The stream 231 being communicated between the PMA and PMD sublayers may be transmitted from a packaged integrated circuit mounted to a printed circuit board (PCB) in the host, through traces on the PCB, through a "mated connector" (i.e., a receptacle with plug inserted to provide electrical contact between respective pins), through a capacitance, through traces on the PCB in the module, to a packaged integrated circuit mounted to the PCB module. The stream also includes signals traveling the opposite direction. At the contemplated signaling rates (26.5625 GBd or 53.125 GBd), the C2M link model includes up to 20 dB of signal attenuation (up to 4dB host package, up to 11.5dB host side trace, about 2.5 db module side trace, and about 2 dB module package).

[0058] The pluggable module should be usable with the widest possible range of host ports. Even though each port may be advertised as being compliant with the standard, different host manufacturers may employ different integrated circuit packages and different PCB layouts to connect the packaged ICs to the ports, causing the equivalent C2M link model to vary significantly between manufacturers or even between different products of a given manufacturer. To a limited extent, the host transceivers could be equipped with transmit-side and receive-side equalization that at least partly compensates for such variation; however there are severe limitations on the area, complexity, and power available on the host side of the link. A better

option is to provide the pluggable module with flexibility to adapt to the different C2M link characteristics.

[0059] Accordingly, the manufacturer of the pluggable module may formulate a range of C2M link models using different assumptions based on known or predicted layouts and link characteristics, including "reference" transceivers. For example, the host-side receivers might be presumed to employ a continuous time linear equalizer (CTLE) in combination with any one of: (a) a four-tap DFE with a maximum first post-cursor tap coefficient of 0.5; (b) a four-tap DFE with a maximum first post-cursor tap coefficient of 0.2; (c) a four-tap DFE with a maximum first post-cursor tap coefficient of 0.0; (d) a five-tap linear equalizer with a one-tap DFE; (e) a five-tap linear equalizer with no DFE. These receiver assumptions, combined with different host-side trace lengths and package losses, may give rise to a reasonable number of potential C2M link models categories.

[0060] With the foregoing context, we now turn to certain variations offering more efficient training and adaptation of the pre-equalization implemented by the transmitter-side feed forward equalizer (FFE), suitable for a standard interface. As an initial matter, we may specify a maximum number of FFE coefficients for the pre-equalizer, e.g., 64 coefficients. We may further specify a minimum range for each coefficient and a minimum resolution such as, e.g., 1/64 or 1/128 of full swing. The drivers 418 (Fig. 4) operate as digital to analog converters, which we may require to provide a minimum equivalent number of bits (ENOB), e.g., 5 bits. The resulting combinatorial range of potential FFE coefficient values may be impractically large for a naïve training approach.

[0061] However, there are certain constraints, such as the reasonable number of C2M link model categories, that may be taken into account to improve the efficiency of the training and adaptation process. For the communication channels, we may require the channels to satisfy certain minimum qualification thresholds for, e.g., copper wire cabling or printed circuit board traces, which can be modeled. These models enable the design of "default" pre-equalizer coefficients for each case, e.g., minimum-quality channels, typical quality channels, and predictable variations thereof. The models, or at least the minimum qualification thresholds, may be chosen to require that the bulk of the pre-equalizer coefficient energy be concentrated at

three or four major taps near the cursor (i.e., the FFE tap with nominally zero delay). The remainder of the coefficient taps may then be employed for reflection ("echo") reduction.

[0062] As another constraint, the transmitter FFE is expected to be limited in terms of power and/or maximum permitted voltage swing, such that the sum total of the coefficient values (including the sum of their absolute values) can be no greater than a predetermined limit. Once the limit is reached, the increase in magnitude of one coefficient value may need to be offset by the reduction in magnitude of at least one other coefficient value.

[0063] With the foregoing constraints, the "reasonable number" of channel model categories may be on the order of 16 or 32. Accordingly, we may provide a set of, e.g., 16 or 32 registers for the training controllers 420 (Fig. 4) or link controllers (Fig. 9) to store default coefficient values. A first register may store a vector of coefficient values suitable for a first channel response (e.g., a minimum-quality channel); a second register may store a vector of coefficient values suitable for a second channel response (e.g., a near-minimum quality channel with reduced dispersion); and so on. In some contemplated embodiments, the default coefficient values for each register, or at least some of the registers, would be set by the standard based on different channel loss profiles, while others of the registers may be reserved for configuration by customers of the original equipment manufacturer (OEM). In any case, at least some of the default coefficient values are preferably capable of being overwritten by the system controller or as part of the operating protocol to remember previous solutions and provide faster start-ups or failure recoveries. As part of the negotiating phase or training process, the coefficient values in each register may be communicated between the transmitter and receiver.

[0064] As previously mentioned, the channel qualification requirements are expected to enable pre-equalizer coefficient energy to be concentrated at the first three to four FFE taps, and thus in at least some contemplated embodiments the default coefficient values specified by the standard may be potentially nonzero for only the first four taps and may be zero for all higher taps. (In embodiments permitting the default coefficient values to be overwritten, this constraint may be omitted at least with respect to the replacement values.) To allow for fine-tuning of the default coefficient values, the standard may constrain the sum of the absolute value of the default coefficients to no more than certain percentage, e.g. 80%, of the predetermined limit for

pre-equalizer. At least one of the default coefficient value registers is expected to provide a good starting point for training/adaptation, i.e., by providing an open decision eye at the input to the decision element if the receiver design is close to the reference receiver provided by the standard. With this starting point, the percentage constraint leaves room for convex optimization via known filter adaptation procedures such as, e.g., least mean squares (LMS) adaptation, or recursive least squares (RLS) adaptation. (The coefficient adaptations can be conveyed via the backchannel or via the management interface as discussed previously.) The reserved percentage (e.g., 20%) can thus be used to cancel reflections or increase signal swing as provided by the adaptation procedure.

[0065] Preferably, the predetermined limit on the sum of coefficient values is enforced (at least for the default coefficient values) by either the transmitter's training controller, or by the adaptation procedure which may be implemented at the receiver. If the limit is exceeded, the coefficient values for at least the major FFE taps, which may alternatively be characterized as the first four taps or the largest coefficient magnitudes (though these are not necessarily the same), may be proportionally reduced to make room for further optimization.

[0066] Thus the pre-equalizer training/adaption process may proceed in stages. In a first stage, the default coefficient values are determined and stored in a set of registers. The default values may be set by the standard, and overwriting of the values by manufacturers, by system vendors, or alternatively by system controllers in the course of normal operations, may be permitted. In a second stage, the default coefficient values are communicated between the transmitter to the receiver, e.g., as the result of a register scan requested by the receiver during the auto-negotiation and/or training process when the channel is enabled or is recovering from failure. The receiver may select the starting point for the pre-equalizer optimization process by selecting one of the registers. In the third stage, as the training phase progresses, the receiver may communicate pre-equalization coefficient updates to the transmitter to reduce the bit error rate (BER). Such updates may also be communicated via the hidden backchannel discussed previously, or via a management interface, during the ongoing operation of the channel.

[0067] At least some system embodiments will support simultaneous updating of multiple pre-equalizer coefficient values. In at least some implementations, these systems will also support

coarse adaptation and fine adaptation steps to accelerate the training process. The training controller may maintain status registers with fields for the sum of absolute values of current coefficient values, the total margin (i.e., difference between the sum and the predetermined limit), and the margin for each coefficient (i.e., how far the current value is from the maximum or minimum value, whichever is nearest). The fields may be bit-limited without rollover, i.e., the maximum value also represents all larger values. For example the total margin field may have four bits, while the margin field for each coefficient might have only two bits.

[0068] Fig. 8 is a flow diagram of the an illustrative communications method. As the link is first established, which may happen, e.g., during automated testing as part of the manufacturing process, when a module is inserted into a port, and/or when a cable connector is inserted into a module the training controller or link controller (hereafter, just "controller") employs an autonegotiation or backchannel communication process in block 802 to determine whether the remote transmitter has a set of preset coefficient registers. A check is made in block 804 to determine whether any such registers remain untried. If so, in block 806, the controller selects the first remaining untried register by instructing the remote transmitter to program the transmit pre-equalizer in each lane with the preset coefficient values from that register. The remote transmitter uses the pre-equalizers to transmit data, and in block 808 the receiver demodulates the multiple receive signals, e.g., with a DFE, to estimate or measure error signals (the difference between the equalized receive signals and an idealized receive signal). For training patterns, the idealized receive signal is known, whereas for transmitted data, the idealized receive signal may be estimated. The energy or average amplitude of the difference is determined in block 810 to serve as an indicator of how well the selected preset coefficient values are performing.

[0069] Blocks 804-810 are repeated until the performance of each of the preset coefficients in each register have been evaluated. Then, in block 812, the best register is selected, with the remote transmitter being instructed to use those preset coefficients as a starting point for the next phase. The remote transmitter programs the pre-equalizer with the preset coefficients from the selected register and transmits a training pattern and/or data. In block 818, the receiver demodulates the receive signals, again obtaining error signals. The demodulated data streams are later combined to form a multi-lane data stream carrying user data to a destination

application. In block 820 the controller uses the error signals to derive adaptation information for the local receive equalizers and the remote transmit equalizers, using any applicable adaptation algorithm that may be found in the open literature. The adaptation information may be applicable to the CTLE filter, any FFE filter that may be present, and the feedback filter of the DFE (referred to herein as "local" adaptation info), as well as to the pre-equalization filter of the remote node (referred to herein as "remote" adaptation info).

[0070] In block 822, the remote adaptation information is communicated to the remote transmitter, optionally in the form of modified alignment markers having backchannel information fields for conveying the remote adaptation info. In block 824, the backchannel information from the remote transmitter is obtained, optionally by extracting the contents of the backchannel information field from the received (modified) alignment markers, yielding adaptation information for the local pre-equalizer. The modified alignment markers are then replaced with reconstructed sets of grouped PCS alignment markers. In block 826, the local adaptation information and the backchannel information are used to adjust the receive equalizers (CTLE, DFE, and FFE if any) and the local transmit pre-equalizer.

[0071] Numerous alternative forms, equivalents, and modifications will become apparent to those skilled in the art once the above disclosure is fully appreciated. For example, the foregoing description suggests specific locations and bit-widths for fields, yet any suitable location and width that can be standardized and agreed upon may be employed. For example, adaptation and status information fields may be present in each lane rather than limiting the adaptation information to one lane and the status information to the other. It is intended that the claims be interpreted to embrace all such alternative forms, equivalents, and modifications that are encompassed in the scope of the appended claims.

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A SerDes communications method that comprises, in a transceiver:
 - selecting one of multiple registers to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values;
 - updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during a training phase; and
 - using the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values to convey a transmit data stream.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein each of the multiple registers corresponds to a different channel model.
3. The method of claim 2, wherein at least some of the different channel models are for chip-to-module (C2M) channels with different insertion loss and package loss characteristics.
4. The method of claim 2, wherein at least some of the different channel models presume different types of receiver equalization.
5. The method of claim 1, wherein said selecting includes using the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values to determine a performance characteristic for each of the multiple registers.
6. The method of claim 1, wherein the performance characteristic is an error signal energy.
7. The method of claim 1, wherein the performance characteristic is a bit error rate.
8. The method of claim 1, further comprising updating the selected register with the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values.
9. A chip-to-module communications link that comprises a port connector coupling a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, the pluggable module transceiver including:
 - one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to the port transceiver; and
 - a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.
10. The communications link of claim 9, wherein said one of the registers is selected by the port transceiver to specify the initial coefficient values.
11. The communications link of claim 10, wherein the port transceiver iteratively selects

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different ones of the multiple registers and determines a performance characteristic for each.

12. The communications link of claim 11, wherein the performance characteristic is an error signal energy.

13. The communications link of claim 11, wherein the performance characteristic is a bit error rate.

14. The communications link of claim 9, wherein each of the multiple registers corresponds to a different channel model.

15. The communications link of claim 14, wherein at least some of the different channel models are for chip-to-module (C2M) channels with different insertion loss and package loss characteristics.

16. The communications link of claim 14, wherein at least some of the different channel models presume different types of receiver equalization.

17. The communications link of claim 9, wherein the port transceiver generates updates for the coefficient values of the one or more transmit filters.

18. The communications link of claim 17, wherein the controller saves updated coefficient values in one of the registers.

19. A pluggable module transceiver including:

one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to a port transceiver; and

a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

20. The transceiver of claim 19, wherein each of the multiple registers corresponds to a different channel model.

ABSTRACT

An illustrative SerDes (serializer-deserializer) communications method embodiment may include a transceiver: selecting one of multiple registers to specify initial pre-equalizer coefficient values; updating the initial pre-equalizer coefficient values during a training phase; and using the updated pre-equalizer coefficient values to convey a transmit data stream. In an illustrative embodiment of a chip-to-module communications link, a port connector couples a port transceiver to a pluggable module transceiver, the pluggable module transceiver including: one or more transmit filters to each pre-equalize a corresponding serial symbol stream being transmitted to the port transceiver; and a controller having multiple registers, each of the multiple registers containing a set of initial coefficient values, the controller using one of the registers to set initial coefficient values for the one or more transmit filters.

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