

Addressing New DisplayPort v2.1 Testing Challenges

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Topics:

- DisplayPort 2.1 (DP2.1) Overview
 - What does DP2.1 offer over previous versions?
- Compliance Testing
 - What are the requirements for DP2.1 certification?
- Testing Challenges
 - What is the main challenge with respect to compliance testing and certification?
- Overcoming Compliance Test Challenges
 - How can challenges be addressed and what improvement is possible?



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Objectives:

- High-level understanding of DP2.1
 - DP2.1 revision basics
 - Differences from previous versions of DP
- Compliance Testing Requirements/Challenges
- Addressing DP2.1 compliance testing challenges

DisplayPort 2.1 Overview

DisplayPort 2.1 Overview WHAT'S NEW?



Three new data rates

o UHBR10: 10Gbps

o UHBR135: 13.5Gbps

UHBR20: 20Gbps

DP 2.1 enables up to 3X increase in data bandwidth performance

o DP2.1 will use 128b/132b encoding

DP 2.1 improves USB4 Tunneling performance

- DSC (Display Stream Compression) support mandatory.
 - USB4 Tunneling architecture is designed to combine multiple protocols onto a single physical interface
 - Exemptions exist for some devices (table 2-165 of DP2.1 spec)

DP 2.1 supports Standard DP, Type-C, and Mini DP connectors







Parameter	DP 1.4a	DP 2.1	Comments
Data Rate (per lane)	8.1 Gbps (HBR3)	10 Gbps (UHBR10) 13.5 Gbps (UHBR135) 20 Gbps (UHBR20)	Backward compatible to all earlier DP versions
Encoding	8b/10b	128b/132	
DSC	Optional	Mandatory	
Max Resolution	5K@60fps 24bpp	10K@60fps 24bpp	fps: frames per second bpp: bits per pixel
Max Resolution (w/ DSC)	8K@60fps 30bpp	16K@60fps 30bpp	
Max payload (4 lanes)	25.92 Gbps	77.56 Gbps	~3X improvement

DisplayPort 2.1 Compliance Testing

DisplayPort 2.1 Compliance Testing COMPLIANCE TEST POINTS



TP1: at the pins of the transmitter device

TP2: at the test interface on a test access fixture near

end

TP3: at the test interface on a test access fixture far

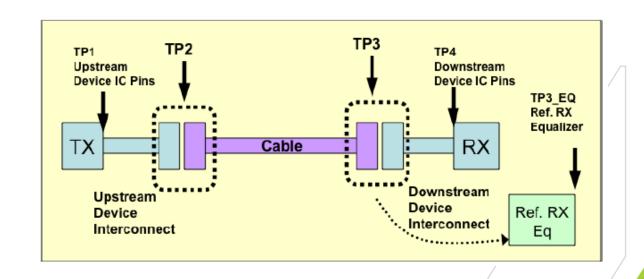
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TP3_EQ: TP3 with equalizer applied

TP4: at the pins of a receiving device

NORMATIVE test points

INFORMATIVE test points









UHBR10, UHBR 13.5 and UHBR 20				
Measurements	TP2	TP3EQ		
Preset Optimization		$oldsymbol{arDelta}$		
Eye Height		lacksquare		
Eye Width		$oldsymbol{ olimits}$		
Total Jitter (TJ)		$oldsymbol{ olimits}$		
Random Jitter (RJ)		$oldsymbol{arDelta}$		
Uncorrelated Deterministic Jitter (UDJ)				
Low Frequency UDJ (LFUDJ)		$oldsymbol{ olimits}$		
Data Dependent Jitter (DDJ)				
Uncorrelated Jitter (UJ)	$\overline{\checkmark}$	$oldsymbol{arDelta}$		
SSC Phase Deviation				
SSC Down Spread Rate				
SSC Down Spread Range				
SSC Slew Rate				
Unit Interval (UI)				
Bit Rate				
Electrical Idle				
AC Common Mode				

DisplayPort 2.1 Testing Challenges





Challenges	Impact
Signal Integrity challenges (Data Rate changing from 8Gbps to 20Gbps)	Noise, crosstalk, and other signaling issues require low-noise acquisition
De-Embedding of Test Cables required in DP2.1 Testing • Test fixture De-embed is optional	Specialized HW/SW and expertise are required
Increased complexity in compliance test requirements: RBR, HBR, HBR2, HBR3, UHBR10, UHBR135 & UHBR20 • TX preset calibration (16 Presets) • Optimal CTLE scan (10 CTLE's)	Test times are increased, costs for test lab certification also increase

DisplayPort 2.1 Challenges PRESET AND CTLE_DFE TESTS FOR TP3_EQ



Preset and CTLE_DFE testing now required at TP3_EQ for UHBR10, UHBR13.5 and UHBR20

- Referred to as "Preset and CTLE-DFE Declaration"
- Only TP2 preset testing required previously
 - The preset that results in the lowest value of DDJ is used for all TP2 tests
- Adds acquisition/analysis time
 - 16 presets for all supported UHBR bandwidths
- CTLE and DFE selection also required
 - 10 CTLE's for all supported UHBR bandwidths
- Preset and CTLE_DFE combination that provides the maximum eye area (EH x EW) is used for all TP3 EQ Eye and Jitter tests







Test Time Example

- Single lane, Single Bandwidth for previous DP1.4a HBR3 Compliance Testing: ~ 1 hr
- Addition of Preset and CTLE_DFE tests at TP3_EQ increases test times ~2x-2.5x
- Well over a full day of testing would be required to complete all normative testing

Overcoming DisplayPort 2.1 Testing Challenges



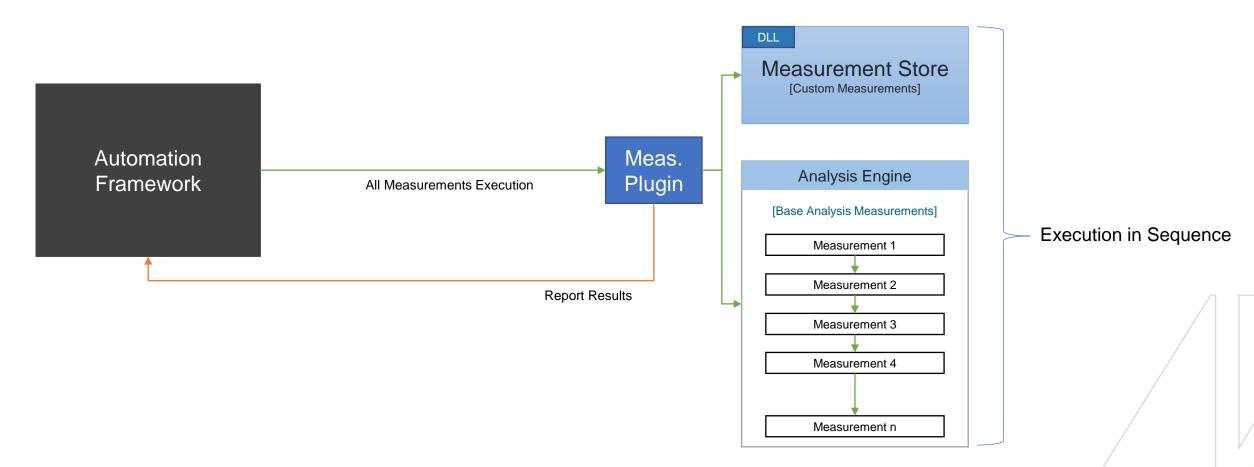


SW Analysis

- Test times strongly tied to SW analysis
- Current solutions have a very linear analysis methods
 - Single instance of analysis SW, processing single waveform data sequentially

DisplayPort 2.1 Challenges CURRENT EXECUTION ARCHITECTURE

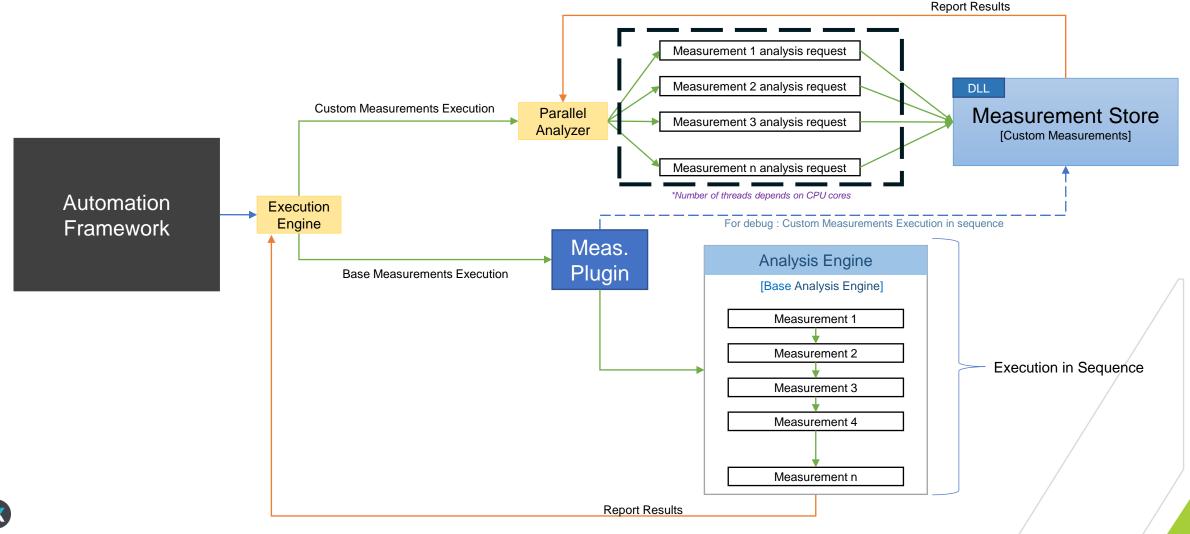






DisplayPort 2.1 Challenges PROPOSED EXECUTION ARCHITECTURE









Experimental Results...

- Based on internal and external prototype testing
 - Collaboration with several customers
- Test Time Improvements
 - Current results show ~ 3x improvement over previous automation/execution architecture
 - Repeatable across multiple DP2.1 DUT's

Availability...

- Beta available now, under NDA
- Contact your Tektronix Account Manager for details

Summary





DisplayPort 2.1 (DP2.1) Overview

Basic additions and Differences from Previous versions

Compliance Testing

Requirements for DP2.1 certification

Testing Challenges

Among all challenges, test times have greatest overall impact

Overcoming Compliance Test Challenges

- Solution proposal and results
- Prototype/Beta availability



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