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Application Note

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2-3 LFS function evaluation and link faults monitoring
10 GbE equipment has a link fault function called LFS (Link Fault Signalling) to announce faults on physical layers. This is a very important function. The MP1590B LFS (LF (Local Fault)/RF (Remote Fault)) generator/detector and XGMII (10 Gigabit Media Independent Interface) data capture analysis functions support LFS function evaluation of equipments and monitoring of link faults on networks. Moreover, the LFS (RF) automatic response function by the MP1590B confirms LFS operation using just one equipment with the MP1590B.

2-4 10 GbE frame quality assurance
10 GbE equipment vendors and network operators define some quality parameters to indicate the quality of the equipment and networks, such as error rate, frame loss, and frame transfer delay time. Equipment and network users make their network and service decisions based on these quality parameters, so parameter assurance by equipment vendors and network operators is very important. The MP1590B has a full line of versatile measurement functions to evaluate 10 GbE frame quality and guarantee network performance.

<MP1590B 10 GbE frame measurements>
- Full wire rate measurements
- Stream setting/transmission
- Throughput measurements
- BER (Bit Error Rate) measurements
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3. Summary
The versatile frame and physical layer measurement and analysis functions for 10G equipment and networks supported by the all-in-one MP1590B help cut development time and manufacturing costs as well as assure fast troubleshooting to recover services as soon as possible.

4. Key Features (10 GbE measurements)*2
- PCS (Physical Coding Sublayer) measurements
  - 6B pattern editing/transmission
  - 66B pattern capture/decode display
  - IEEE 802.3 standards test pattern error/alarm measurements
    - Square Wave, Pseudorandom, PRBS31
  - PCS error insertion/measurements
- LFS (Link Fault Signalling) measurements
  - LFS (LF (Local Fault)/RF (Remote Fault)) Generator/Detector
  - XGMII (10 Gigabit Media Independent Interface) data capture/decode display
  - LFS (RF) automatic response
- CRPAT (Continuous Random Test Pattern)/CJPAT (Continuous Jitter Test Pattern) BER measurements
- Unframed (without frame) measurements
- Variable transmission frequency and frequency monitor (frequency tolerance measurements)
- Optical power monitor
- Jitter measurements*1
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*1: Jitter measurements for 10GbE require the MU150121B, MU150124B and MU150125A. Jitter measurement only supports unframed 10.3G.

*2: In addition to the MU150110A Multirate Unit, the MU120138A 10 Gigabit Ethernet Module is also available for 10 GbE multiport measurement.