New work item proposal: Protection Performance Benchmarking

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Motivation

Background

- Reliability needs for IP networks
- Protection technology to improve reliability
 - Automatic Protection Switching (APS) for SONET/SDH
 - Resilient Packet Ring (RPR) for Ethernet
- Recovery timing in IP-layer is different from that in lower layer (I/F up/down recognizing mechanism, buffering effect, etc. on IP routers)

Carrier needs

- Testing methodology to compare implementations objectively and to verify interoperability for multi-vendor protection systems
- Specified performance measures to quantify reliability on the carrier providing network to users

Goals

- Specify testing methodology of protection performance as followings:
 - At first, focus on SONET/SDH APS performance
 - Performance measures considered in IP-layer aspects
 - Flexibility for topology of system under test (SUT)
 Point-to-Point, Ring, Mesh
 - Coverage of different protection types (1+1, 1:n, etc.)
 - Applicability to multi-vendor protection systems

Protection performance measurement examples in IP-layer quality aspects



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Proposal

- Consider this work item in the BMWG
- Draft documents will specify testing terminology and methodology on SONET/SDH APS performance in IP-layer quality aspects
- Any suggestion?