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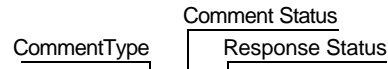
# 55	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 7.1	1 / X / O	Bourgeois, Monique
What if a device receives a primitive that it does not understand? How is this handled?					
# 105	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC Table 68	1 / X / O	Bourgeois, Monique
Some of the MAC PIB objects are not referenced anywhere in the draft.					
# 109	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC Table 64	1 / X / O	Bourgeois, Monique
This is the only mention of multicast/broadcast frames.					
# 111	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 7.3	1 / X / O	Bourgeois, Monique
Do we really want to use CSMA for beacons, since they are responsible for synchronizing the network (what if GTS is supported)?					
# 113	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 7.5.2.2.1	1 / X / O	Bourgeois, Monique
Does a network coordinator change its macFrameOrder to 15 when it enters snooze mode?					
# 114	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 7.5.2.1	1 / X / O	Bourgeois, Monique
What if two networks do somehow choose the same network ID? How would this conflict be resolved?					
# 162	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 5.2	TF / X / O	Carmeli, Boaz
Cluster-tree seems to be a topology of its own. It has different settings and behaviors described along many sections in this standard. It seems to be a peer-to-peer topology.					
# 165	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 5.2.1.3	TF / X / O	Carmeli, Boaz
The description of the cluster tree topology is not clear. Can simple network node transmit a beacon? if so - is it a peer to peer communication?					
# 169	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 5.4.3.2	TF / X / O	Carmeli, Boaz
Data request, or data poll from a network node to the network coordinator must receive an answer. Hence - we should allow the network coordinator to respond to a data request/poll.					
# 172	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 5.4.5.1	1 / X / O	Carmeli, Boaz
It is not clear from the standard what a device should do in case of failure to transmit a beacon when the channel is busy. Should it choose a different channel?					
# 188	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 5.4.3.2	1 / X / O	Carmeli, Boaz
What happens to pending message at the network coordinator that is never requested by the relevant network node. Is there a time-to-live timer?					
# 242	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 7.1.1.4.3	TF / X / O	CYPHER, DAVID
No action is described for the behavior when the status is DISCARD_PACKET, unless storing packet segments at a null memory address is allowed.					
# 263	CI 06	MAC TECH	SC 6.3.1.3.3	1 / X / O	CYPHER, DAVID
This clause states that, "The effect on receipt of this primitive by the MAC sublayer is unspecified." Is this statement made because there is no action described for the behavior when the status is DISCARD_PACKET, unless storing packet segments at a null memory address is allowed?					
# 316	CI 00	Team EDIT	SC ALL	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
At least as far as the MAC portions are concerned, this document is at best a requirements document. This does not describe the mechanisms for implementing the requirements.					
# 317	CI 00	Team EDIT	SC ALL	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
The list of features claimed in various parts of this draft and the requirements are very similar to those listed for 802.15.3. While 802.15.3 (L) lists requirements for a peer-to-peer topology, this draft lists requirements for a peer-to-peer topology.					
# 318	CI 00	Team EDIT	SC ALL	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Interoperability: If this draft becomes a standard as it is, given that all the mechanisms are defined in a higher layer that is not even referenced, interoperability is not guaranteed.					
# 320	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 2	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
The first sentence in second complete para in 5.2 claim that DEVs can talk to each other without NC. How do they detect each other? How is this done?					
# 321	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 2.1.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Sentence here claims that a network ID is chosen that is not currently in use by any other network within the radio range. How? What mechanism is used?					
# 327	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.2	E / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
This sentence uses such things as "designated parent" and "child" nodes without first defining them.					

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# 328	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.2	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
If in a cluster tree topology, the devices may only communicate with their designated parent and child nodes, how is the data forwarding done?					
# 329	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Can DDs using different network IDs form parts of the same cluster tree?					
# 330	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
This entire paragraph describes the DD nomination and cluster formation from a user/requirement point of view. But nowhere in the draft does it mention how the DDs are to be managed.					
# 331	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
What is this "predefined time period"					
# 334	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC Figure 2	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Assuming that a mechanism for DDs to sync up to complete a data transaction is defined, how is that a particular path from an originating DE to a destination DE is chosen?					
# 336	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
What happens when a DD wants to leave? How is the new one chosen and the information transferred to the new one? What happens if the DD returns?					
# 337	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
What happens when a NC wants to leave? How is the new one chosen and the information transferred to the new one? What happens if the NC returns?					
# 338	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Stating that the required mechanisms are in a higher layer and it is out of scope for this draft, does not help in realizing an implementation.					
# 340	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 3.2	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
The claim of "Guaranteed packet delivery" in the MAC is ambiguous. There is no recovery mechanism if the max retry has reached. Isn't it?					
# 344	CI 00	MAC EDIT	SC ALL	E / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Use of abbreviations and different terms for the same field or concept is rampant in the draft. For example (a) use of FSB in 7.5.7.3. what does FSB stand for?					
# 345	CI 00	MAC TECH	SC ALL	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Power management completely escapes the draft except the mention of its requirement in 5.4.1. For example there is absolutely nothing in the draft about power management.					
# 346	CI 00	MAC TECH	SC ALL	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Security completely escapes the draft					
# 347	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 4	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
Choose macBaseFrameDuration to be a power of 2. It eases the implementation of timers to be 'm' bit wide. Otherwise it depends on the 'm' value.					
# 348	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 4.2	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
If NCs choose the macFrameOrder, how is this made uniform in cluster-trees? how do DDs exchange this info across the clusters?					
# 349	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
How do DDs propagate info from NCs beacon, if one is present? Do they send pseudo beacons? or they just don't care.					
# 350	CI 05	Cluster-Tree Team	SC 2.1.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
How do a DEV in a cluster-tree sync up for slotted CSMA/CA timings with other DEVs that are so far apart from itself but close enough to be in the same cluster?					
# 351	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 4.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
These lines are not clear enough. If beacon is needed for network connection purposes and if NC is currently not sending beacons because of power management, how is the network connection established?					
# 352	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 4.3.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
These lines are not clear enough. If beacons are absent doesn't the clock drift at DEVs make the slotted CSMA/CA timings get misaligned?					
# 354	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 4.3.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL
how do devices sync up to slotted CSMA/CA timings without beacon? Who distributes the short addresses in the absence of NC?					

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# 355	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 4.3.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	CA n a DEV have multiple network-ID? if so, how does it choose to pick one for current peer-peer communication?
# 356	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 4.3.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	In peer-peer mode, how do devices discover each other?
# 357	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 4.4	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	PHY-MAC layering is arbitrary? there are MAC types in PHY header!!
# 358	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 4.4	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	There is no CRC in PHY header. If length is wrong, how does the DEV know where the packet end is?
# 367	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 1.1.1.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	msduLength: The term MSDU is used for the chunk of bytes rxd from higher layer which is fragmented into packets by the MAC (clause 3 a
# 368	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 2.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	Table 54/55: What is PCS? figures 11 and 12 used CRC in the same position.
# 375	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	While clause-5 (especially the FRAME format in figure-5) claimed to have been using slotted CSMA/CA, there is no such mention of it in 7.5.
# 376	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.1.1	E / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	Since backoff scheme is already well understood in 802-wireless community, why not use the already familiar terms to define it? Why the
# 377	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.1.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	Why is backoff counter decrementing irrespective of channel conditions? Measuring CCA for a small time unit (phy-slot) and decrementing t
# 379	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.1.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	if the backoff timer is arbitrary, how does the next transmission supposed to sync up with the slotted CSMA/CA timings
# 380	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.1.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	These lines seem to provide a means to higher layers using which they can indicate tx-immediate or abort a packet. since this retry-limit is a
# 381	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.2.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	What does sending a data packet with broadcast network ID do to the snoozing NCs? It is not one of the stimulus listed in 7.5.2.2.1 anyway!
# 382	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.2.2.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	if NC is snoozing how do non-NC-capable DEVs detect the presence of NC
# 384	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.2.2.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	This means that the NC must be awake-enough to receive a packet, demodulate it, check CRC, decode the packet type. So what is remaini
# 391	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.6.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	This clause does an attempt to describe the ack-timeout procedure. If what is needed already exists in an understood format, especially wit
# 392	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.6.1	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	When retries on a fragment (segment) is exhausted, all the remianing fragments of the same MSDU are thrown away, right?
# 395	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.7.3	TF / X / O	GUBBI, RAJUGOPAL	How does this sequencing work in peer-peer scenario? Is the sequence number per link, that is a seperate counter for each pair of DEVs ir
# 409	CI 05	MAC TECH	SC 5.4.3.2	1 / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose	Section 5.4.3.2 (and figure 10) What happens w hen the NC is polled by a netw ork device and there is no data to send back. What is the a
# 422	CI 06	MAC TECH	SC 6.3.1.1	1 / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose	What happens when a PD-Data.request is done with a MPDU whose length makes the overall phyPacketsize greater than the phyMaxPacke

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# 425	CI 06	Clause 5 EDIT	SC	E / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
We should explain somewhere why we have the ED and CCA primitives (just a clarification).<CR><CR>This must be done in section 5					
# 431	CI 05	PHY TECH	SC	1 / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
We need to add information related to the need of the sync burst packet. Nowhere in the whole document is mention the need of this functio					
# 436	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC Table 29	1 / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
The parameter "DISCARD_PACKET" is not mentioned in the enumeration table. Under w hat circumstances the LLC w ould like to discard					
# 448	CI 07	MAC EDIT	SC 7.1.2.19	E / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
EXPAND! Make a reference. Should explain that only the NC does this!					
# 449	CI 07	MAC EDIT	SC Table 51	E / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
Table 51: What is the meaning of "Invalid Value" (under what conditions this situation happens?)					
# 450	CI 07	MAC EDIT	SC 7.1.2.21	E / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
Section 7.1.2.21: expand explanation of this primitive It w ould be nice if some introductory text w ere added in section 5 about the need for					
# 469	CI 07	MAC EDIT	SC 7.5.2	E / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
Recommend to add a flow diagram for Sections 7.5.2.1 and 7.5.2.2					
# 472	CI 07	MAC EDIT	SC Figure 30	E / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
In this explanation the Sequence Number of a Packet can be further explained. It is not clear from previous explanations!					
# 475	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 7.5.7.3	1 / X / O	Gutierrez, Jose
The explanation of data sequencing is not clear. This w hole section looks w rong. Check section 7.5.8 for Bit naming (FSB instead of PSB					
# 535	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC Table 44	1 / X / O	Jamieson, Phil
The ChannelList parameter talks about a list of channels from the list of available PHY channels. How will this be done? Do we refer to the					
# 538	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC Table 46	1 / X / O	Jamieson, Phil
If the MLME-SCAN.confirm primitive will be used for cluster tree networks as well as for stars, the nwid field probably aught to be a Beacor					
# 564	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 7.5.2.4	1 / X / O	Jamieson, Phil
Editorials - see remedy. Paragraph 2, the synchronization "as described above" probably needs to be spelled out - synchronisation as defi					
# 573	CI 06	MAC TECH	SC 6.7	1 / X / O	Jamieson, Phil
Text needed in this section.					
# 575	CI 00	MAC TECH	SC	1 / X / O	Jamieson, Phil
Should we really be referring to "point-point" rather than "peer-peer" network topologies throughout?					
# 589	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.2.2.1	TF / X / O	Kinney, Patrick
coordinator snoozing does not achieve any desireable quality that I can think of, typically it's used to save power but this implementation rec					
# 591	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.2.2	TF / X / O	Kinney, Patrick
I did not find any description of the mechanism for resolving duplicate network id's. I understand the network search but it may not find a ne					
# 646	CI 07	MAC TECH	SC 5.5	1 / X / O	Shepherd, Nick
This clause specifies that a clear channel is detected by use of the MLME-ED Energy Detection method, in conflict with clause 6.8.10					
# 648	CI 07	Picture EDIT	SC Figure 33	E / X / O	Shepherd, Nick
Figure 53 is in the wrong clause					
# 660	CI 00	Global EDIT	SC	E / X / O	Kinney, Pat
SPECIALLY ADDED COMMENT:<CR><CR>It has come to my attention that what TG4 calls a "packet" 802.11 calls a<CR>frame. This will					