

Doc 11-03-166R1-F-TGf-Recirc 2 Ballot Comments (by clause)

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Comment Type: **Technical** *Vote:* **Disapprove** *Comment Status:* **Declined** *Cmntr Response:* **Open**

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Suggested Remedy

Resolution

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Clause General

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Resolution

0 0 +02 There is no mechanism for network management health messaging between AP's and PHY layer only devices or AP's in repeater mode.

Include support for OOK PHY layer signaling between AP's to support out of band network management health messaging capability.

Proposed resolution: The comment is beyond the scope of the recirculation ballot as it does not refer to text that changed for RC2 or text that was affected by text that changed.

Author: David Bagby

Comment Type: **Technical** *Vote:* **Disapprove** *Comment Status:* **Accepted** *Cmntr Response:* **Open**

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TG has considered that the letters of assurance provided to the IEEE by Agere, Ericsson, and Trapeze meet with the IEEE requirements for letters of assurance and state that the companies are willing to license the technology involved per IEEE rules, and that this is sufficient to forward the TGf draft to Rev Com for publication.

0 0 +02 Dear Sirs,

See submitted ballot file for compromise MIB proposal. A good part of the Mgt MIB that was in D4.1 and removed for D5.0, was inappropriate as it involved parameters that can't be implemented from 802.11 compliant systems. The TG thinks that the functions of the Mgt MIB would be better accomplished in a standard doc rather than a rec practice doc and that this would also be a better approach for per station info. The Mgt MIB in D4.1 had some overlap with other chartered TGs (e.g. Tge, TGi) and TGf didn't want to reintroduce the conflict (this would not have been an issue with the suggested remedy from cmnt 108, but would have been for cmnt 107 from RC2). The TG declines the suggested remedy from 108 and declines comment 107.

I find that I must reverse my previous approval of IEEE 802.11 TGF draft 4.1 and change my vote to "disapprove" for draft 5.0.

My change of vote is based on the following strong concerns:

- 1) In draft 5.0, the Task group has completely removed the AP management MIB. This is unacceptable to this reviewer.
- 2) There was no reasonable explanation provided by the task group to this reviewer as to why the MIB was removed.
- 3) The Task group has only recently been notified that a company now claims that TGF infringes on multiple patents.

Each of these concerns is expanded below.

Removal of the management MIB w/o explanation:
In the original sponsor ballot review, I submitted a comment that identified the fact that the TG had not met their adopted functional requirements wrt to management of APs. The adopted functional requirement was loosely specified and left much room for interpretation, but I felt that zero management ability clearly did not satisfy the adopted requirement. I suggested a set of functionality that I would like to see included (see my original sponsor ballot comment near the end of this letter for reference). As a result of sponsor ballot comment processing, the TG adopted a management MIB proposal from another TG participant which resulted in the Management MIB in annex B in draft 4.1.

Partially on the basis of the included MIB functionality I changed my vote from "disapprove" to "approve" during recirculation ballot #1.

Now I have received recirculation ballot #2 and I find that the entire management MIB has been removed for draft 5.0.

From a functionality standpoint, I cannot accept that change.

From a process standpoint, I feel that the task group has simply blown off my comments w/o justification.

I wanted to find out why the TG had taken this action.

As a sponsor group member, I was provided essentially zero information as to the justification for this action. I note that in the comment response document sent for this ballot, there is only a note from the Chairman of the TG (provided after the meeting) that the group did not update the response to my comment after explicitly reversing their position. I was directed to the minutes of the meeting, which I have read. In the minutes, I have only found a single sentence explanation about there being inadequate time to review the management MIB.

I find that explanation to be specious and inadequate.

The management MIB was sent out in draft 4.1 for recirc ballot 1. The ballot period for Rc1 was set by the task group to a significantly longer than the minimum required. In fact, it was the maximum number of days possible given the constraints of the TG's scheduled meetings. The cover information for that ballot called out this fact. Therefore it seems reasonable to assume that the TG felt the RC1 period was adequate time for review.

Between RC1 and RC2, the task group made much more significant changes to the draft – specifically the inclusion of a major new portion of functionality for “fast roaming”. It is my understanding that significant portions of that proposal were actually invented during the January meeting. While it is not my intent to fault the fast roaming mechanism, I do note that it represent major functionality, finished and inserted at the January meeting, and then the TG ran a default 10 day recirculation ballot for RC2... Yet the explanation for removal of the management MIB is “inadequate review time”?

The TG has zero credibility when acting this way. If the TG review had any technical explanation for the changes in the management MIB, it should have been provided for consideration.

Given other information this reviewer has independently found after the January meeting, I am suspicious that the actions of the task group in January were the result of a small self interest group that simply did not want to be bothered with the work required to provide a technical justification for changes to the previously adopted management MIB - instead it was simply deleted.

(This situation is of particular concern to this reviewer since I am also the TG Chair. The January '03 meeting was the first TGf meeting during the entire course of the project that, for health reasons, I could not attend.)

Now the operative question is what will it take for this reviewer to change the vote back to "Approve" wrt to the management MIB issues?

I have gone to some effort to attempt to understand what some of the underlying issues are that resulted in this situation. While I do not share all the concerns or positions that I have had expressed to me, after considering them, I have created a revised minimal management MIB proposal. If adopted, this would likely satisfy my concerns wrt to this topic.

Extracting the deleted text from draft 5.0 and altering it created the included MIB text. I have also inserted (MS word style) comments to give brief explanations for the changes. The text editing is not detailed enough such that the TG should anticipate the text to be ready to compile in to a MIB – it is simply offered as fairly detailed guidance as to what would satisfy this reviewer's position wrt to this topic.

The high level summary of the changes is:

- 1) Retention of the ability to find from an AP what stations are associated to it and what the AP knows about the stations.
- 2) Deletion of much of the control aspect of the MIB. While I actually support the ability to control APs, I am concerned over the potential security side effects of using MIB variables to do so, given that anyone could access the variables. Note that in my original Sponsor Ballot comment I called this issue out and suggested that the TG address access control to the "control MIB variables".
- 3) Finally, a request from my original Sponsor ballot comment re AP management has never been addressed. In that review round, I requested that it be possible to ask an AP what ESS it belongs to (See orig comment below for more information). I again request that this be added to the management MIB before I can change my vote to "approve" again.

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Orig TGf Sponsor ballot comment re AP management included for reference:

David Bagby's 802.11 TGf Sponsor ballot comments

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1) Insufficient MIB control – add “AP Management MIB” functionality

Issue:

When TGf started it's work, the group decided to support an AP specific SNMP MIB, and a very minimal MIB exists in the TGf draft sent for review. This reviewer believes that the MIB proposed does not provide enough functionality to enable even minimal management of APs. Further it is this reviewer's position that the ability to mix multi-vendor APs requires more than just the Specific IAPP messages between APs, it also requires a minimal set of common AP management MIB definitions.

Requested Changes to resolve vote:

To change this reviewers vote to approve, I request that the committee provide at least the following additional AP MIB functionality as part of TGf:

a) Known stations set inquiry

The ability needs to be added to inquire and get back a list of stations known by an AP. The current (essentially association) status of each station in the set should be returned with the station set list. The minimum obvious station states would be:
Authenticated but not associated; associated

(currently active), disassociated (was here, but not here as of when you asked), and re-associated (AP once knew of the station, but it is has re-associated elsewhere).

It is not my intent that APs keep history for all time, rather the concept is that AP info about client stations is probably aged and that this inquiry would simply return info about the "known" Stations as of the time of the inquiry. The purpose of the "status" of the Stations being returned with the list is to be able to use the list as input to additional queries. This forms the basis for the ability to use the information in the response as a parameter for additional MIB inquiries that allow one to inquire about information specific to a station or set of stations known by the AP.

Returning the Station status provides the easy ability to inquire about arbitrary mixes of stations. For example "asking about currently associated stations" (Stations active with the AP) or "asking about stations that have gone" (common for diagnostic purposes) - or any mix thereof.

b) Known Station Attribute Inquiry

It needs to be possible to ask about both a single station and an arbitrary set of stations (I suggest a set approach, where for a single station, one simply specifies a set consisting of a single station), and for all stations in the set requested, to get back information that the AP knows about the station(s). Thus, the conceptual parameters of the inquiry are (station set, attribute set that you want to know about). The "station set" input parameter should either be, or be trivially derivable from, the information returned from the "Known Stations inquiry".

I suggest a set approach so that the data consistency issues associated multiple MIB calls over time can be avoided. While the "set approach" is conceptually what is desired, I understand that the ability of SNMP MIB variable definitions may mandate a different approach – this reviewer would consider alternate approaches as specified by TGf.

An additional requirement is that this ability be created in a general enough manner that it can serve as an expandable mechanism as additional attributes for stations are invented. The reviewer requests this as there are multiple active TGs in 802.11 that are inventing additional Station attributes beyond those

defined in 802.11-1999. The desire is for TGf to provide the basic framework for asking about per station attributes independent of changes in the attribute sets available.

For the first version of TGf, I want to see the ability to get back at a minimum all the currently defined STA attributes that an AP would know about "its stations". If TGf believes that additional attributes would be valuable, this reviewer is not opposed to considering enhanced functionality beyond the minimum called out in this review comment.

There are several commercially available sets of MIB extensions within existing products that would more than satisfy this reviewer's comments. Perhaps TGf could avoid having to invent the MIB details from scratch by soliciting proposals from existing AP vendors.

c) AP operational state control

At a minimum TGf needs to provide the MIB definitions necessary to

- 1) Deactivate an AP (this essentially requires the ability to tell the AP to disassociate all current stations and not accept new associations).
- 2) Reactivate an AP (reverse the state above by starting to accept associations again)
- 3) Reset AP
- 4) Selectively direct AP to Disassociate a specific Client (one-time event)
- 5) Selectively allow/disallow a specific STA to Associate/Re-associate to the AP.

The reviewer urges TGf to also consider other AP control abilities (for example those already implemented in many AP's MIBs).

d) MIB revision level

In order to make the "known station attribute inquiry" in b) expandable, it will be necessary to provide a way to determine the set of Station attributes known by the AP MIB. This can be accomplished several ways (ex: a separate MIB version call, or the ability to specify the attributes desired via a mask of some type (if attributes are specified that are not known then they ignored in the request). My approval of the draft is conditional primarily on the mechanism being defined being appropriately extensible, not on any specific approach. I believe that the TGf group expertise is best suited to define the details of an appropriate mechanism.

e) AP Identity

It needs to be possible to inquire about basic manufacturer information from an AP. The minimal set includes:

- 1) Manufacturer ID
- 2) Model number
- 3) Revision levels

At first pass TGF may react with "Aren't these already available in the System MIB for the station?" This reviewer is drawing a distinction between the information that is bound to an AP and the information that is bound to a STA that is conceptually inside an AP. The distinction is important, as architecturally, an AP is an interface between the DSM and the WM, across which it provides DS services.

What is desired is the ability to get version information from the AP entity. That information may well be different than the same info for the AP's WM STA (of which there may be two in the case of WDS). In fact, recent product approaches have moved the industry toward a place where this will be the likely case as the AP's STA component is highly likely to change independent of the AP entity itself.

f) AP knowledge about ESS

It needs to be possible to ask an AP what it knows about the ESS that it is a member of. Minimal requirements include:

- 1) Getting back what ESS is the AP a member of.
- 2) Getting a list of other APs in the ESS that the AP knows of.

This is intended as a crude way to learn the AP members of an ESS. It would obviously be preferable to "ask an ESS", however, an ESS is not an entity that one can ask questions of - and inventing such an animal would appear beyond the scope of the TGF work. This inquiry would at least allow some external entity to attempt to build up the set of APs in a ESS.

f) AP Management MIB access control

Clearly, not all the information that is potentially available via the mechanisms above should be made available to anyone who asks. I suggest that TGF specify that the AP Management MIB be restricted to access by other authenticated APs in within the ESS. All that is required is that each AP ignores AP management MIB requests that are from anyplace other than another (same ESS) authenticated AP.

This would allow vendors to create an "AP management entity" - which would appear to the

other APs as simply another authenticated AP (that probably happens not to accept associations).

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1 Annex B, Access Point Management Information Base
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4 -- *****
5 -- * IEEE 802.11 Access Point Management Information Base
6 -- *****
7
8 -- References herein to Unsigned32 should be UInteger32 for most MIB compilers
9 IEEE802dot11AP-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN
10     IMPORTS
11         MODULE-IDENTITY, OBJECT-TYPE, NOTIFICATION-TYPE,
12         Integer32, Counter32, Unsigned32          FROM SNMPv2-SMI
13         OBJECT-GROUP, MODULE-COMPLIANCE          FROM SNMPv2-CONF
14         DisplayString, RowStatus,
15         MacAddress, TruthValue                    FROM SNMPv2-TC
16         ifIndex                                  FROM RFC1213-MIB;
17
18 -- *****
19 -- * MODULE IDENTITY
20 -- *****
21 iso          OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { 1 }
22 member-body OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { iso 2 }
23 us          OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { member-body 840 }
24 ieee802dot11 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { us 10036 }
25
26 ieee802dot11ap MODULE-IDENTITY
27     LAST-UPDATED "0211140000Z"
28     ORGANIZATION "IEEE 802.11"
29     CONTACT-INFO " "
30
31     DESCRIPTION
32         "The MIB module for IEEE 802.11 Access Point entities.
33         iso(1).member-body(2).us(840).ieee802dot11(10036).dot11apm(5)"
34         ::= { ieee802dot11 7 }
35
36
37 -- *****
38 -- * Major sections
39 -- *****
40 -- Access Point Management (APM) Attributes
41 -- DEFINED AS "The APM object class provides the necessary support at the
42 -- Access Point to manage the processes in the Access Point such that the
43 -- Access Point may work cooperatively as a part of an IEEE 802.11
44 -- network.";
45 dot11apm OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {ieee802dot11 5}
46
47 -- dot11apm GROUPS
48 -- dot11AccessPointMIBVersion ::= {dot11apm 1}
49 -- dot11AccessPointAddressTableTable ::= {dot11apm 2}
50 dot11AccessPointStationControlTable ::= {dot11apm 3}
51 dot11AccessPointControlTable ::= {dot11apm 4}
52
53 dot11AccessPointProductInfo OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {dot11apm 5}
54
55 -- dot11AccessPointStatusTable ::= {dot11apm 6}
56
57 -- *****
58 -- * Textual conventions from 802 definitions

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1  -- *****
2  WEPKeytype ::= OCTET STRING (SIZE (5))
3
4  -- *****
5  -- * MIB attribute OBJECT-TYPE definitions follow
6  -- *****
7
8  -- *****
9  -- * APM Version
10 -- *****
11 dot11AccessPointMIBVersion OBJECT-TYPE
12     SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(2))
13     MAX-ACCESS read-only
14     STATUS current
15     DESCRIPTION
16         "This attribute shall indicate the version of the MIB
17         supported by this Access Point."
18     ::= { dot11apm 1 }
19
20 -- *****
21 -- * APM Station Address Table
22 -- *****
23 dot11AccessPointAddressTableTable OBJECT-TYPE
24     SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF Dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry
25     MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
26     STATUS current
27     DESCRIPTION
28         "Access Point Address Table attributes. In tabular form to
29         allow for multiple instances on an agent."
30     ::= { dot11apm 2 }
31
32 dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry OBJECT-TYPE
33     SYNTAX Dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry
34     MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
35     STATUS current
36     DESCRIPTION
37         "An entry in the dot11AccessPointAddressTableTable. It is
38         possible for there to be multiple IEEE 802.11 interfaces
39         on one agent, each with its unique MAC address. The
40         relationship between an IEEE 802.11 interface and an
41         interface in the context of the Internet-standard MIB is
42         one-to-one. As such, the value of an ifIndex object
43         instance can be directly used to identify corresponding
44         instances of the objects defined herein.
45
46         ifIndex - Each 802.11 interface is represented by an
47         ifEntry. Interface tables in this MIB module are indexed
48         by ifIndex."
49
50     INDEX {ifIndex, dot11AddrTableEntryID}
51     ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableTable 1 }
52
53 Dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry ::=
54     SEQUENCE {
55         dot11AddrTableEntryID      MacAddress,
56         dot11AddrTableEntryState    INTEGER,
57         dot11AddrTableEntryCapabilities    INTEGER,
58         dot11AddrTableEntryOnPollList    TruthValue,

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1      dot11AddrTableEntryEncryption    INTEGER,
2      dot11AddrTableEntrySignalStrength  INTEGER,
3      dot11AddrTableEntryLinkQuality INTEGER[DB1];
4      dot11AddrTableEntryAID INTEGER[DB2];
5      dot11AddrTableEntryListenInterval  INTEGER,
6      dot11AddrTableEntryMaxSupRate      INTEGER,
7      dot11AddrTableEntryCurRate        INTEGER,
8      dot11AddrTableEntryInPsMode TruthValue[DB3];
9      dot11AddrTableEntryNumPsFramesQd Integer32;
10     dot11AddrTableEntryPsFrameAge Integer32;
11     dot11AddrTableEntryNumRetries      Counter32,
12     dot11AddrTableEntryNumMaxRetries   Counter32,
13     dot11AddrTableEntryNumRxDuplicates Counter32
14 }
15
16 dot11AddrTableEntryID OBJECT-TYPE
17     SYNTAX MacAddress*
18     MAX-ACCESS read-only
19     STATUS current
20     DESCRIPTION
21     "The Unique MAC Address of the station for which this address
22     table entry pertains."
23
24     ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 1 }
25
26 dot11AddrTableEntryState OBJECT-TYPE
27     SYNTAX INTEGER { authenticated (1),
28     associated (2),
29     reassociated (3),
30     roamed (4),
31     disAssociated (5);
32     timedOut (6[DB4]) }
33     MAX-ACCESS read-only
34     STATUS current
35     DESCRIPTION
36     "This attribute shall indicate the current state of the
37     connection between a wireless station and the AP.
38     The attribute is enumerated as follows:
39
40     1 - Authenticated - station is authenticated but not currently
41         associated.
42     2 - Associated - station is authenticated and associated
43     3 - Re-associated - station had been previously associated and
44         has associated again.
45     4 - Roamed - station has been disassociated since it
46         has been detected associated to a different
47         AP.
48     5 - Disassociated - station has explicitly disassociated itself.
49     6 - Timed Out - station's association has timed out.
50
51     It is assumed that if an station is deauthenticated then it no
52     longer has an entry the the AP's Address Table."
53
54     ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 2 }
55
56 dot11AddrTableEntryCapabilities OBJECT-TYPE
57     SYNTAX INTEGER (0..65355)
58     MAX-ACCESS read-only

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1 | STATUS current
2 | DESCRIPTION
3 |
4 | "This attribute contains a copy of the Capabilities field
5 | contained in the Association Request frame sent by the station."
6 |
7 | ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 3 }
8 |
9 | dot11AddrTableEntryOnPollList OBJECT-TYPE
10 | SYNTAX TruthValue
11 | MAX-ACCESS read-only
12 | STATUS current
13 | DESCRIPTION
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1 "This attribute when TRUE indicates that the station is
2 currently on the AP's Poll List."
3
4 ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 4 }

5
6 dot11AddrTableEntryEncryption OBJECT-TYPE
7 SYNTAX INTEGER { wep (1), ~~tkip (2), aes (3[DB5])~~ }
8 MAX-ACCESS read-only
9 STATUS current
10 DESCRIPTION
11
12 "This attribute is contains the encryption mechanism being used
13 by the station in an AP that allows mixed encryption modes."
14
15 ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 5 }

16
17 dot11AddrTableEntrySignalStrength OBJECT-TYPE DB6
18 SYNTAX INTEGER (1..100)
19 MAX-ACCESS read-only
20 STATUS current
21 DESCRIPTION
22
23 "This attribute shall specify the signal strength of
24 the last frame received from the station in - dBm.
25 e.g. a value of 50 implies -50 dBm."
26
27 ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 6 }

28
29 ~~dot11AddrTableEntryLinkQuality OBJECT-TYPE~~
30 ~~SYNTAX INTEGER (1..100)~~
31 ~~MAX-ACCESS read-only~~
32 ~~STATUS current~~
33 ~~DESCRIPTION~~
34
35 ~~"This attribute shall contain an indication of the quality~~
36 ~~of the signal as measured in the last frame received from the~~
37 ~~station.~~
38
39 ~~TBD format of this attribute"~~
40
41 ~~::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 7 }~~

42
43 ~~dot11AddrTableEntryAID OBJECT-TYPE~~
44 ~~SYNTAX INTEGER (1..2007)~~
45 ~~MAX-ACCESS read-only~~
46 ~~STATUS current~~
47 ~~DESCRIPTION~~
48 ~~"This attribute shall specify the Association ID that~~
49 ~~was assigned to the station when it associated with this~~
50 ~~interface."~~
51 ~~::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 8 }~~

52
53 dot11AddrTableEntryListenInterval OBJECT-TYPE
54 SYNTAX INTEGER (1..65355)
55 MAX-ACCESS read-only
56 STATUS current
57 DESCRIPTION
58 "This attribute reflects the Listen Interval value contained

1 in the Association Request or Re-Association request frames
2 sent by the station. Units are in Beacon Intervals"
3 ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 9 }
4

5 dot11AddrTableEntryMaxSupRate OBJECT-TYPE
6 SYNTAX INTEGER (2..127)
7 MAX-ACCESS read-only
8 STATUS current
9 DESCRIPTION
10 "This attribute shall specify the maximum data rate supported by
11 the station. Units are in increments of 500kb/s."
12 ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 10 }
13

14 dot11AddrTableEntryCurRate OBJECT-TYPE
15 SYNTAX INTEGER (2..127)
16 MAX-ACCESS read-only
17 STATUS current
18 DESCRIPTION
19 "This attribute shall specify the data rate of the last frame
20 received from the station. Units are in increments of 500 kb/s."
21 ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 11 }
22

~~23 dot11AddrTableEntryInPsMode OBJECT-TYPE
24 — SYNTAX TruthValue
25 — MAX-ACCESS read-only
26 — STATUS current
27 — DESCRIPTION
28 — "This attribute shall specify the current power save mode of
29 the station. When TRUE it shall indicate that the station
30 is currently in power save mode."
31 — ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 12 }
32~~

~~33 dot11AddrTableEntryNumPsFramesQd OBJECT-TYPE
34 — SYNTAX Integer32
35 — MAX-ACCESS read-only
36 — STATUS current
37 — DESCRIPTION
38 — "This attribute shall specify the number of MSDUs currently
39 queued for the station when in power save mode."
40 — ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 13 }
41~~

~~42 dot11AddrTableEntryPsFrameAge OBJECT-TYPE
43 — SYNTAX Integer32
44 — MAX-ACCESS read-only
45 — STATUS current
46 — DESCRIPTION
47 — "This attribute shall specify the length of time that
48 the oldest power save buffered frame has been queued for
49 this station. Units are in milliseconds."
50 — ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 14 }
51~~

52 dot11AddrTableEntryNumRetries OBJECT-TYPE
53 SYNTAX Counter32
54 MAX-ACCESS read-only
55 STATUS current
56 DESCRIPTION
57 "This counter shall increment for every retransmission performed
58 to this station."

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1      ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 15 }
2
3      dot11AddrTableEntryNumMaxRetries OBJECT-TYPE
4          SYNTAX Counter32
5          MAX-ACCESS read-only
6          STATUS current
7          DESCRIPTION
8              "This counter shall increment when an MSDU for this station
9              is not transmitted successfully due to the number of transmit
10             attempts exceeding either the dot11ShortRetryLimit or
11             dot11LongRetryLimit."
12      ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 16 }
13
14      dot11AddrTableEntryNumRxDuplicates OBJECT-TYPE
15          SYNTAX Counter32
16          MAX-ACCESS read-only
17          STATUS current
18          DESCRIPTION
19              "This counter shall increment when a frame is received
20              from the station with a Sequence Control field that indicates
21              this frame is a duplicate."
22      ::= { dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry 17 }
23
24
25      -- *****
26      -- * End of dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry TABLE
27      -- *****
28
29      *****
30      -- * APM Station Control Table[DB7]
31      *****
32      dot11AccessPointStationControlTable OBJECT-TYPE
33      —— SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF Dot11AccessPointStationControlEntry
34      —— MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
35      —— STATUS current
36      —— DESCRIPTION
37      —— "Access Point Address Table Station entity control attributes.
38      —— In tabular form to allow for multiple instances on an agent."
39      —— ::= { dot11apm 3 }
40
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54
55      —— ifIndex — Each 802.11 interface is represented by an
56      —— ifEntry. Interface tables in this MIB module are indexed
57      —— by ifIndex."
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1  INDEX {ifIndex, dot11AddrTableEntryID}
2  ::= { dot11AccessPointStationControlTable 1 }
3
4  Dot11AccessPointStationControlEntry ::=
5  SEQUENCE {
6  dot11APStationCntlDisassociate TruthValue,
7  dot11APStationCntlAllowAssociation TruthValue
8  }
9
10 dot11APStationCntlDisassociate OBJECT-TYPE
11 SYNTAX TruthValue
12 MAX-ACCESS read-write
13 STATUS current
14 DESCRIPTION
15 "This attribute is a write-only parameter that when set to
16 TRUE shall cause the AP to send a disassociate frame to the
17 station."
18 ::= { dot11AccessPointStationControlEntry 1 }
19
20 dot11APStationCntlAllowAssociation OBJECT-TYPE
21 SYNTAX TruthValue
22 MAX-ACCESS read-write
23 STATUS current
24 DESCRIPTION
25 "This attribute when read with a value of TRUE shall indicate
26 that this station is allowed to associate. When read as false
27 it shall indicate that the station will not be allowed to
28 associate.
29
30 A write to this attribute shall mark the address table entry of
31 the station with the value.
32
33 If the particular station address specified in the write access-
34 to this table is not present, then the AP shall create a
35 dot11AccessPointAddressTableEntry in order to save the value."
36 ::= { dot11AccessPointStationControlEntry 2 }
37
38 *****
39 * End of dot11AccessPointStationControlEntry TABLE
40 *****
41
42 *****
43 * APM Access Point Control [DB8]
44 *****
45
46 dot11AccessPointControlTable OBJECT-TYPE
47 SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF Dot11AccessPointControlEntry
48 MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
49 STATUS current
50 DESCRIPTION
51 "Access Point entity Control attributes. In tabular form-
52 to allow for multiple instances on an agent."
53 ::= { dot11apm 4 }
54
55
56 dot11AccessPointControlEntry OBJECT-TYPE
57 SYNTAX Dot11AccessPointControlEntry
58 MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

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Inter-Access Point Protocol

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1  STATUS current
2  DESCRIPTION
3  "An entry in the dot11AccessPointControlTable. It is
4  possible for there to be multiple IEEE 802.11 interfaces
5  on one agent, each with its unique MAC address. The
6  relationship between an IEEE 802.11 interface and an
7  interface in the context of the Internet-standard MIB is
8  one-to-one. As such, the value of an ifIndex object
9  instance can be directly used to identify corresponding
10 
11 instances of the objects defined herein.
12 
13 ifIndex -- Each 802.11 interface is represented by an
14 ifEntry. Interface tables in this MIB module are indexed
15 by ifIndex."
16 
17 INDEX { ifIndex }
18 ::= { dot11AccessPointControlTable 1 }
19 
20 Dot11AccessPointControlEntry ::=
21 SEQUENCE {
22 dot11APActive TruthValue,
23 dot11APReset TruthValue,
24 dot11APEnableStationAssocControl TruthValue
25 }
26 
27 dot11APActive OBJECT-TYPE
28 SYNTAX TruthValue
29 MAX-ACCESS read-write
30 STATUS current
31 DESCRIPTION
32 "This attribute when read shall indicate the current active
33 state of this AP instance. TRUE indicates the AP is active-
34 and FALSE that it is inactive.
35 
36 When written with a value of FALSE, the AP instance shall
37 immediately disassociate all stations currently associated
38 with it, and put itself in a state where it will no longer
39 accept associations.
40 
41 When written with a value of TRUE, the AP instance shall
42 then allow new associations to take place."
43 ::= { dot11AccessPointControlEntry 1 }
44 
45 dot11APReset OBJECT-TYPE
46 SYNTAX TruthValue
47 MAX-ACCESS read-write
48 STATUS current
49 DESCRIPTION
50 "This attribute is write only and when written with a value
51 of TRUE shall cause the AP to perform the equivalent of a
52 hard reset on the interface. A read shall return FALSE,
53 and a write of FALSE shall have no effect."
54 ::= { dot11AccessPointControlEntry 2 }
55 
56 dot11APEnableStationAssocControl OBJECT-TYPE
57 SYNTAX TruthValue
58 MAX-ACCESS read-write

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1  ---STATUS current
2  ---DESCRIPTION
3  ---"This attribute, when written with a value
4  ---of TRUE, shall cause the AP to enable control of station
5  ---association control. Station association control is
6  ---accomplished by writing into the
7  ---dot11AccessPointStationControlTable the values for stations
8  ---to be allowed or disallowed associations with this interface
9  ---of the AP."
10 --- ::= { dot11AccessPointControlEntry 3 }
11
12 -----
13 --- * End of dot11AccessPointControlEntry TABLE
14 -----
15
16 -- *****
17 -- * APM Access Point Product Info
18 -- *****
19
20 dot11APInfoManufacturerID OBJECT-TYPE
21     SYNTAX DisplayString (SIZE(0..128))
22     MAX-ACCESS read-only
23     STATUS current
24     DESCRIPTION
25         "The ManufacturerID shall include, at a minimum, the name
26         of the manufacturer of the AP. It may include additional
27         information at the manufacturer's discretion. The default
28         value of this attribute shall be null."
29     ::= { dot11AccessPointProductInfo 1 }
30
31 dot11APInfoProductID OBJECT-TYPE
32     SYNTAX DisplayString (SIZE(0..128))
33     MAX-ACCESS read-only
34     STATUS current
35     DESCRIPTION
36         "The ProductID shall include, at a minimum, an identifier
37         that is unique to the manufacturer of the AP. It may include
38         additional information at the manufacturer's discretion.
39         The default value of this attribute shall be null."
40     ::= { dot11AccessPointProductInfo 2 }
41
42 dot11APInfoRevision OBJECT-TYPE
43     SYNTAX DisplayString (SIZE(0..128))
44     MAX-ACCESS read-only
45     STATUS current
46     DESCRIPTION
47         "The ProductID shall include, at a minimum, an identifier
48         that is unique to the manufacturer of the AP. It may include
49         additional information at the manufacturer's discretion.
50         The default value of this attribute shall be null."
51     ::= { dot11AccessPointProductInfo 3 }
52
53
54 -- *****
55 -- * End of Access Point Product Info
56 -- *****
57
58

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Inter-Access Point Protocol

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1  -- *****
2  -- *  APM Access Point Status Table
3  -- *****
4
5  dot11AccessPointStatusTable OBJECT-TYPE
6      SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF Dot11AccessPointStatusEntry
7      MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
8      STATUS current
9      DESCRIPTION
10         "Access Point entity Control attributes. In tabular form
11         to allow for multiple instances on an agent."
12         ::= { dot11apm 6 }
13
14
15  dot11AccessPointStatusEntry OBJECT-TYPE
16      SYNTAX Dot11AccessPointStatusEntry
17      MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
18      STATUS current
19      DESCRIPTION
20         "An entry in the dot11AccessPointStatusTable. It is
21         possible for there to be multiple IEEE 802.11 interfaces
22         on one agent, each with its unique MAC address. The
23         relationship between an IEEE 802.11 interface and an
24         interface in the context of the Internet-standard MIB is
25         one-to-one. As such, the value of an ifIndex object
26         instance can be directly used to identify corresponding
27         instances of the objects defined herein.
28
29         ifIndex - Each 802.11 interface is represented by an
30         ifEntry. Interface tables in this MIB module are indexed
31         by ifIndex."
32
33         INDEX { ifIndex }
34         ::= { dot11AccessPointStatusTable 1 }
35
36  Dot11AccessPointStatusEntry ::=
37      SEQUENCE {
38          dot11APAssociationCount      INTEGER
39      }
40
41  dot11APAssociationCount OBJECT-TYPE
42      SYNTAX INTEGER (0..2007)
43      MAX-ACCESS read-only
44      STATUS current
45      DESCRIPTION
46         "This attribute indicates the number of stations currently
47         associated with the AP on the interface represented by the
48         ifIndex."
49         ::= { dot11AccessPointStatusEntry 1 }
50
51  -- *****
52  -- *  End of Access Point Status Table
53  -- *****
54
55
56  -- *****
57  -- *  End of 80211 AP MIB
58  -- *****

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1 | END
2 |

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[DB1]Link Quality is something that is offered by several WLAN chipset vendors, but is not consistent across the vendors. As this reviewer does not remember the concept of link quality within 802.11, I can do without this variable.

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[DB2]Not sure what and AID is or why each AP should have one – assuming that minimalizim is more acceptable to those that want the MIB removed entirely, I have deleted it.

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[DB3]The power save states I think are multiple, rather than on/off. – assuming that minimalizim is more acceptable to those that want the MIB removed entirely, I have deleted these.

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[DB4]I propose removing “timed out” as it seems implementiaton specific instead of standard specific. The other states more closely correspond to the to station states in 802.11. Roamed is ok with me, as TGf makes it easy for this to be distinguished from Disassociated etc.

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[DB5]I like this being an integer as we know other Tgs are inventing new security type, but I’d not spec the names and values until those Tgs are done – this will be reasonable since TGf is a 2 year RP and they other TGs are probably still 2 years from publication.

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[DB6]I know some will object to this attribute, however it seems very useful to be able to provide this information from a system standpoint. What is required is a common unit in which to express the information – dbm seems ok to me. I would also consider another unit if the TG thinks (and explains why) another is more appropriate.

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[DB7]While I personally think that these are reasonable operations to perform with an AP, the unrestricted nature of the use of MIB variables to accomplish them concerns me. (e.g. The disassociate function, while reasonable from a system perspective, is potential DOS attack point)

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[DB8]similar security concerns re who can “control” an AP via MIBs.