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Abstract

This document contains Proposed Draft Text (PDT) for the Multi AP (M-AP) Coordiantion framework feature of the proposed TGbn (UHR, Ultra High Reliability) amendment to the 802.11 standard.

# Revision information

The following is a summary of the important changes that occurred within each revision of this document:

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| **Revision** | **Major changes** |
| 0 | Initial revision |
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# Introduction

Interpretation of a Motion to Adopt

A motion to approve this submission means that the editing instructions and any changed or added material are actioned in the TGbe Draft. The abstract, revision information, introduction, explanation of the proposed changes and references sections are not part of the adopted material.

***Editing instructions formatted like this are intended to be copied into the TGbe Draft (i.e. they are instructions to the 802.11 editor on how to merge the text with the baseline documents).***

## Explanation of the proposed changes:

The proposed changes to the 802.11 TGbn draft within this document are based on the following motions adopted by the TGbn task group:

### Relevant passing motions:

* 11bn defines a common framework of a Multi-AP Coordination for various coordination schemes.
	+ Note - Coordination schemes such as (but not limited to): Co-SR (TXOP-based with power control), Co-BF, Co-TDMA, Co-RTWT, etc.

[Motion #50, [1] and [131, 151, 134, 137, 141, 152-156, 117, 157, 158]]

* 11bn defines a common framework of a Multi-AP Coordination that can enable the following procedures:
	+ Multi-AP Coordination Discovery procedure
	+ Multi-AP Coordination agreement negotiation procedure
	+ Note: Details of the procedures and whether the above procedures are mandatory/optional - TBD

[Motion #51, [1] and [131, 151, 134, 137, 141, 152-156, 117, 157, 158]]

* A UHR AP shall indicate to another AP its capability to respond in a TB PPDU or not
[Motion #120, [1] and [108, 115, 122, 123, 124]]
* APs that intend to participate in Multi-AP coordination can use management frames to advertise/discover the capabilities and/or parameters of individual schemes.

[Motion #147, [1] and [134, 110, 117, 157, 158, 218]]

* APs that discovered each other and want to establish agreement(s) for Multi-AP coordination scheme(s), can use individually addressed management frames to establish the agreement(s) and negotiate parameters
	+ Note: The management frame can be a Public Action and/or new Action frames, and so on.

[Motion #148, [1] and [134, 110, 117, 157, 158, 218]]

* The sharing AP, that transmits a Trigger frame as part of a transmission sequence in a Multi-AP coordinated transmission scheme, identifies the shared AP via an AP ID carried in the AID12 field of the User Info field of the frame
	+ Note: the name of "sharing AP" and "shared AP" are TBD
	+ Note: Multi-AP coordinated transmission schemes are Co-SR, Co-BF and Co-TDMA

[Motion #135, [1] and [207, 208, 157, 117, 118, 122, 123, 108, 115, 124, 158]]

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**9.3.3.5. Association Request frame format**

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**Table 9-64—Association Request frame body**

|  |  |  |
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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
| … |  |  |
| <Last assigned + 1> |  UHR Capabilities | The UHR Capabilities element is present if dot11UHROptionImple- mented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |

**9.3.3.6. Association Response frame format**

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**Table 9-63—Association Response frame body**

|  |  |  |
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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
| … |  |  |
| <Last assigned + 1> |  UHR Capabilities | The UHR Capabilities element is present if dot11UHROptionImple- mented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |
| <Last assigned + 2> |  UHR Operation | The UHR Operation element is present if dot11UHROptionImple- mented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |

**9.3.3.7. Reassociation Request frame format**

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**Table 9-66—Association Request frame body**

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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
| … |  |  |
| <Last assigned + 1> |  UHR Capabilities | The UHR Capabilities element is present if dot11UHROptionImplemented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |

* + - 1. **Reassociation Response frame format**

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**Table 9-65—Reassociation Response frame body**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
| … |  |  |
| <Last assigned + 1> |  UHR Capabilities | The UHR Capabilities element is present if dot11UHROptionImple- mented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |
| <Last assigned + 2> |  UHR Operation | The UHR Operation element is present if dot11UHROptionImple- mented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |

* + - 1. **Probe Request frame format**

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**Table 9-68—Probe Request frame body**

|  |  |  |
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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
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| <Last assigned + 1> |  UHR Capabilities | The UHR Capabilities element is present if dot11UHROptionImplemented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |

* + - 1. **Probe Response frame format (TBD)**

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**Table 9-67—Probe Response frame body**

|  |  |  |
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| **Order** | **Information** | **Notes** |
| … |  |  |
| <Last assigned + 1> |  UHR Capabilities | The UHR Capabilities element is present if dot11UHROptionImple- mented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |
| <Last assigned + 2> |  UHR Operation | The UHR Operation element is present if dot11UHROptionImple- mented is true; otherwise, it is not present. |

* + 1. **Elements**
			1. **General**

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**Table 9-128—Element IDs**

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| **Element** | **Element ID** | **Element ID Extension** | **Extensible** | **Fragmentable** |
| … |  |  |  |  |
| UHR Capabilities (see [9.4.2.x (UHR](#_bookmark180)  [Capabilities element)](#_bookmark180)) | 255 | <ANA> | Yes | No |
| UHR Operation (see [9.4.2.x (UHR](#_bookmark180)  [Capabilities element)](#_bookmark180)) | 255 | <ANA> | Yes | No |

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**9.4.2.x UHR Capabilities element**

The format of the UHR Capabilities element is shown in [Figure 9-X1 (UHR Capabilities element format)](#_bookmark181).

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| Element ID | Length | Element ID Extension | UHR MAC Capabilities Information |

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**Figure 9-X1—UHR Capabilities element format**

The Element ID, Length, and Element ID Extension fields are defined in 9.4.2.1 (General)

The format of the UHR MAC Capabilities Information field is defined in Figure 9-X2 (UHR MAC

Capabilities Information field format).

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|  | B0 | B1  |  B2 - TBD |  |
|  | NPCA Supported | AP Support for TB PPDU Response | Reserved |  |
| Bits: | 1 | 1 | TBD |  |

**Figure 9-X2—** **UHR MAC Capabilities Information field format**

The AP Support for TB PPDU Response subfield indicates whether an AP supports a TB PPDU Response to a preceding TF that is destined to that AP. A value of 1 in this subfield indicates that the AP supports a TB PPDU response to a Trigger frame that includes it’s AP ID value in the Per-STA Info field. A value of 0 in this subfield indicates that the AP does not support a TB PPDU response to a Trigger frame that includes it’s AP ID value in the Per-STA Info field.

***TGbn editor: Please add the following subclause 37.7 M-AP Coordinated framework in 802.11bn D0.1:***

37.7 M-AP Coordinated framework

37.7.1 General

The M-AP Coordination feature includes various schemes for coordination among OBSS APs.

Genrally, the coordination schemes can be one of the following types: TXOP-based schemes type as described in or SP-based schemes type, designated

37.7.1.1 TXOP-based coordination schemes

TBD

37.7.1.2 SP-based coordination schemes

TBD

This section details all the procedures that are common for all coordination schemes or any type of coordination schemes (for instance: procedures that are common for all TXOP-based type coordination schemes).

The M-AP Coordination Discovery procedure is defined in 37.7.2.

The M-AP Coordination agreement negotiation is defined in 37.7.3

All other procedures that are specific per coordination schemes are detailed in TBD sections.

37.7.2 M-AP Coordination Discovery procedure

37.7.2.1 General

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37.7.2.3 M-AP Coordination Discovery Passive Scanning

TBD.

37.7.2.4 M-AP Coordination Discovery Active Scanning

TBD.

37.7.3 M-AP Coordination Agreement negotiation procedure

37.7.3.1 General

TBD

37.7.3.2 AP ID assignment

TBD

# Text to be adopted ends here.

**References:**

1. [11-24-0171r21](https://mentor.ieee.org/802.11/dcn/24/11-24-0171-21-00bn-tgbn-motions-list-part-1.pptx): 11-24-0171-21-00bn-tgbn-motions-list-part-1, Alfred Asterjadhi (Qualcomm Inc.)