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Abstract: [Resolutions to comments discussed at Taipei meeting]

Purpose: [This document provides resolutions to comments discussed at Taipei meeting]

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Summary of Comments from TG3c meeting

In this document we present the responses to open comments from TG3c meeting in Taiwan. This document will focus on comments except beamforming, stream index and preamble design, which will be finalized during Orlando meeting. We present 22 resolutions out of 33 technical comments and 4 out of 7 editorial comments. The summary of comments and our responses are given below. Resolutions related to PHY start from slide 3 and related to MAC from slide 21.

Type of Comment	Total	Technical		Editorial	
		Responded	Open	Responded	Open
All	40 33 Technical 7 Editorial	22	11	6	1
Closed before 3/4/2008	2 0 Technical 2 Editorial	0	0	2	0
PHY	9 7 Technical 2 Editorial	5	2	2	0
MAC	20 18 Technical 2 Editorial	17	1	2	0
Beamforming BF	7 6 Technical 1 Editorial	0	6	0	1
AV-OFDM	2 0 Technical 2 Editorial	0	2	0	0

Summary of Comments related to SC PHY

In this document we present the resolutions of 8 comments (6 technical and 2 editorial) related to SC PHY. The comments are:

Index	Comment Number	Type of Comment	Description	Owners
1	10	Technical	We need to define the preferred fragment size mapping for each of the PHY modes or possibly one for all PHY modes.	H. Harada, J. Gilb, I. Lakkis
2	20	Editorial	Add requirement that MMC PNCs implement the common mode.	Sum, H. Harada, James Gilb
3	21	Technical	What PHY mode is used in the CAP	James Gilb, Sum, H. Harada
4	22	Editorial	Add a description of the MMC PNC to Clause 5 in relation to the beaconing and the CAP.	James Gilb, Sum, H. Harada
5	23	Technical	Each PHY needs to explicitly define the base rate that will be used	H. Harada, J. Gilb, I. Lakkis
6	28	Technical	Can we unify the use of FCS's and types of FCS (with HCS)?	Ismail Lakkis, James Gilb, H. Harada
7	30	Technical	Do we use one or two HCS for the headers, Including the extended MAC header.	Edwin Kwon, Pyo, James Gillb
8	34	Technical	Can the SC and HSI PHY use a single preamble format?	I Lakkis

Comment Number #10

Issue: We need to define the preferred fragment size mapping for each of the PHY modes or possibly one for all PHY modes.

Resolution:

- CoMPA has defined the preferred fragment size table as shown on the right side
 - Fragment size varies from 512 octets to 1Moctets to meet different application requirement
 - Subframe size varies from 512 to 1Moctets
 - Up to 8 subframes can be aggregated into one frame

Bits	Fragment Size
000	1 Moctets
001	256 Koctets
010	64 Koctets
011	16 Koctets
100	4Koctets
101	2 Koctets
110	512 octets
111	Reserved

Comment Number #20 (1/10)

Comment: Add a requirement that MMC-PNCs implement the Common Mode

Resolution:

1. The definition and features of Super-PNC and MMC-PNC is provided.
2. The Super-PNC is defined based on the agreement in Atlanta Meeting.
3. A Super-PNC is a PNC based on SC (Common Rate) with one or multiple PHY modes, and is able to communicate with DEVs operating in different air interfaces through Common Rate
4. A Super-PNC shall communicate with PNC-capable DEVs (single-mode-capable (SMC) or multi-mode-capable (MMC) PNCs) of other air interfaces by using Common Rate
5. Details can be referred to the following slides

Comment Number #20 (2/10)

Summary

- The definition and features of Super-PNC are presented in this document
- The basic operational procedure between Super-PNC and the following DEVs are described:
 - SC DEVs
 - Other PNC-capable DEVs with different air interfaces

Comment Number #20 (3/10)

Proposal outline

- What is Super-PNC
- Why is Super-PNC needed
- What agreed on Super-PNC in Atlanta Meeting
- Features of Super-PNC
- Basic operational procedures for Super-PNC

Comment Number #20 (4/10)

What is Super-PNC

- Super-PNC is a PNC based on SC (Common Rate) with one or multiple PHY modes, and is able to communicate with DEVs operating in different air interfaces through Common Rate

Comment Number #20 (5/10)

Why is Super-PNC needed

- Super-PNC mitigates potential interference among DEVs operating in different air interfaces
- Super-PNC enables DEVs operating in different air interfaces to communicate with each other

Comment Number #20 (6/10)

What agreed on Super-PNC in Atlanta Meeting

- Common Rate shall be mandatory for Super-PNC
- Common Rate is mandatory for SC DEVs and optional for OFDM DEVs
- A non-SC PNC-capable DEV **has to support Common Rate** if it wishes to communicate with Super-PNC

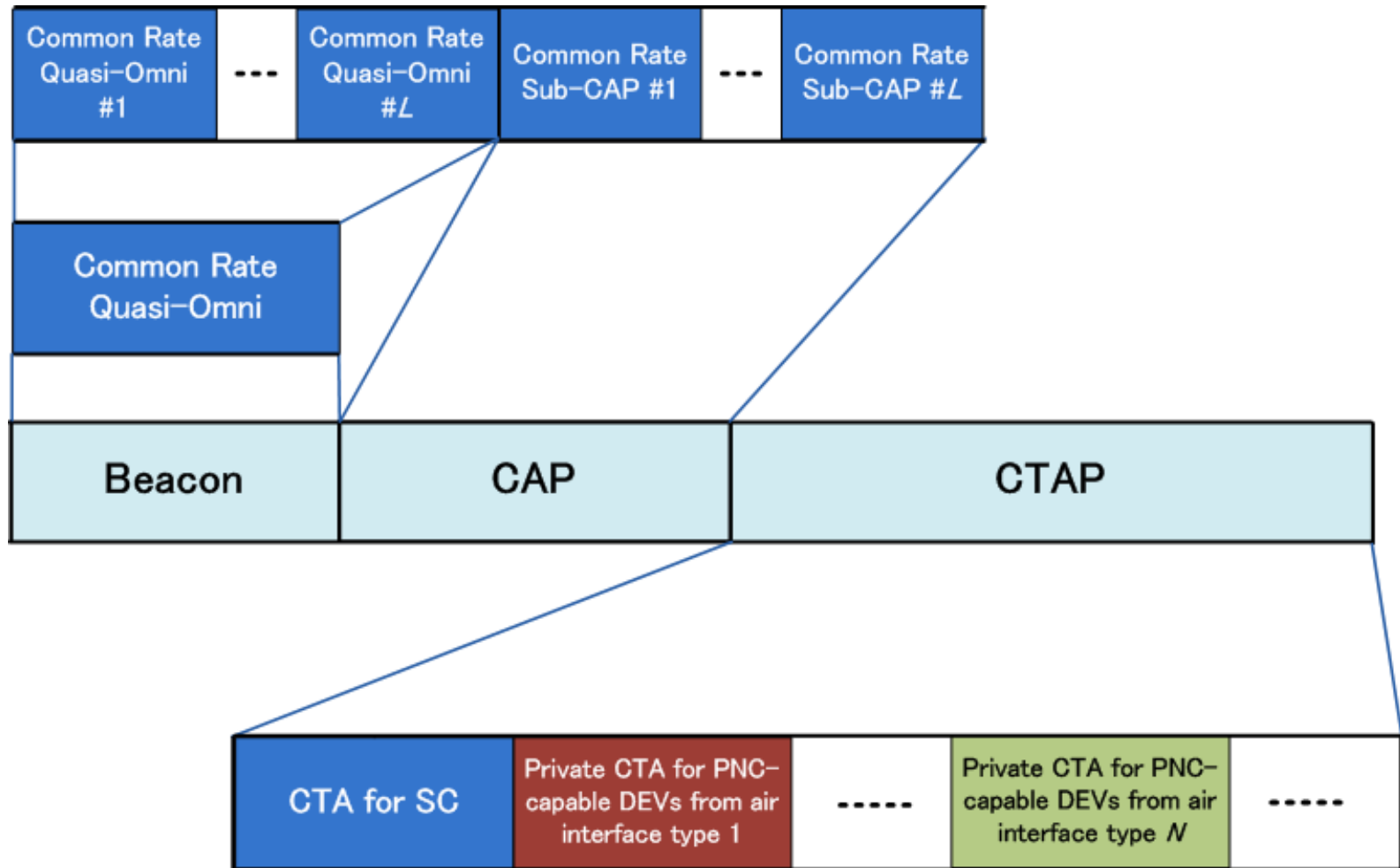
Comment Number #20 (7/10)

Features of Super-PNC

- Super-PNC shall be a PNC based on SC Common Rate
- Super-PNC shall support Common Rate
- Super-PNC may be one of the following
 - SC-PNC
 - SC-PNC + HSI-OFDM **with Common Rate**
 - SC-PNC + AV-OFDM **with Common Rate**
 - SC-PNC + other combinations of air interfaces **with Common Rate**
- Super-PNC shall communicate with PNC-capable DEVs of other air interfaces by using Common Rate

Comment Number #20 (8/10)

Basic Operational Procedure of Super-PNC



Comment Number #20 (9/10)

Basic Operational Procedure of Super-PNC

- SC DEVs (blue CTA in the previous slide)
 - Super-PNC transmits SC beacons by using Common Rate
 - SC DEVs will receive the SC beacons and associate with the Super-PNC in the CAP (CAP is also using Common Rate)
 - In the CTAP, these SC DEVs will be allocated CTAs for data streaming
- DEVs with other air interfaces (brown and green CTAs the previous slide)
 - To be able to communicate with the Super-PNC to borrow CTAs in the CTAP, the DEVs (normally PNC-capable DEVs) **has to support Common Rate**
 - These PNC-capable DEVs shall receive the SC beacons and associate with the Super-PNC in the CAP by using Common Rate
 - In the CTAP, private CTAs will be allocated to these PNC-capable DEVs to start a child piconet for local signaling and streaming
 - The PNC-capable DEVs can be from the following:
 - **Single-mode-capable (SMC)** PNC-capable DEVs
 - HSI-OFDM only PNC, AV-OFDM only PNC and etc
 - **Multi-mode-capable (MMC)** PNC-capable DEVs
 - SC + HSI-OFDM PNC, SC + AV-OFDM PNC, SC + HSI-OFDM + AV-OFDM PNC, and other combinations

Comment Number #20 (10/10)

Conclusion

- The features of Super-PNC is defined based on the agreement in Atlanta Meeting
- Common Rate shall be mandatory for Super-PNC
- Common Rate shall be mandatory for all PNC-capable DEVs (both SMC and MMC) wishing to communicate with the Super-PNC

Comment Number #21

Comment: What PHY mode is used in the CAP

Resolution: SC mode shall be used in the CAP

Reasons:

- Mandatory use of Common rate in Super-PNC for beaconing and CAP is agreed in Atlanta Meeting
- By using only one PHY mode, interference avoidance in CAP is more effective

Refer to the CoMPA Super-PNC proposal.

Comment Number #22

Comment: Add a description of the MMC-PNC to Clause 5 in the relation to the beaconing and CAP

Resolution: The description in clause 5 will be provided based on the design of the Super-PNC proposal.

Comment Number #23

Comment: Each PHY needs to explicitly define the base rate that will be used

Resolution: Before defining the base rate, the definition of base rate should be specified and why a PHY mode should only have one base rate.

Nevertheless, in SC PHY the signaling will be done in common rate (50 Mb/sec) and it will be explicitly defined in the document. There is also a mandatory rate of 1.5 Gb/sec.

Comment Number #28

Comment: Can we unify the use of FCS's and types of FCS (with HCS)?

Resolution: The 4 octet FCS is the same for all PHY modes and we will keep it unless the simulation results show that short FCS (2 octet HCS) is adequate.

For the HCS we don't need 4 octets in HCS, because 2 octets HCS generated by the CCITT cyclic-redundancy-check code (CRCC) offers good enough undetected-error probability P_{ud} of less than 10^{-20} with 20-octet header and P_{ud} of less than 10^{-18} with 80-octet header at $BER=10^{-6}$

(ref: IEEE 802.15-08-0042-01-003c Cyclic redundancy check codes for header check sequence).

Comment Number # 30

Comment: Do we use one or two HCS for the headers, including the extended MAC header.

Resolution: We will keep 2 HCS for the base header and optional header for the moment.

Comment Number # 34

Comment: Can the SC and HSI PHY use a single preamble format?

Resolution: We would like to keep this resolution open for the time being. If there is any change for some reason it would be from HSI PHY side.

Summary of MAC Comment Resolutions

- **20 MAC comments** consisting of **18 MAC technical comments** and **2 MAC editorial comments**
- **17 MAC technical comments** are resolved and **1 comment** is open
- **2 MAC editorial comments** are responded

18 Technical MAC comments in Taipei (1/2)

Index	Issue #	Description	Owner
1	2	Do we need a capability bit that indicates a DEV is MMC PNC capable?	J.G
2	5	Do we need reserved stream indices for beamforming and channel probing.	J.G, ZL
3	6	Does the resolution of the superframe timing need to be less than 1 us?	S.Kato
4	7	Will Dly-ACK do what is necessary for Blk-ACK or are there unique things that Blk-ACK needs to do. Also, can this concept be extended to include the AV PHY directional ACK.	S.Kato, E.Kwon
5	8	Do we add SIFS and MIFS capabilities here or in another information element.	I.Lakkis
6	9	How do we encode all of the supported data rates.	I.Lakkis
7	11	How do DEVs know when the superframe starts and when the last beacon ends if they receive one beacon in the middle of a set of beacons.	I.Lakkis, Pyo
8	12	How does a DEV know when the first symbol of the beacon is sent when there is repetition coding	J.G, I.Lakkis
9	16	What is the definition of the value of the Channel Status Information field?	S.Kato
10	17	Can this be done with an information element? Also, there are some updates to the frame format that need to be reviewed.	E.Kwon, Pyo
11	18	Why is handover optional? Should it be restricted to certain cases.	I.Lakkis, J.G, S.Kato

18 Technical MAC comments in Taipei (2/2)

Index	Issue #	Description	Owner
11	18	Why is handover optional? Should it be restricted to certain cases.	I.Lakkis, J.G, S.Kato
12	19	Need rules to describe that the beacon PHY mode shall not change while in operation. Also, that on handover, the new PNC uses the same PHY mode for the beacon as the old PNC. If so, we may be able to leave PNC Des-Mode as the top criteria for handover.	J.G, JY, ZL
13	26	Can all three PHY modes use the same SIFS and list this in the capabilities field to be used in an CTA.	I.Lakkis, Baykas, J. G
14	29	Can we unify the aggregation	E.Kwon, Pyo, J.G
15	31	The rules for Blk-ACK need to be filled out.	Pyo, S.Kato
16	35	There needs to be a way for the upper layer that is the source of data to say if the use of UEP is allowed for the data stream.	E.Kwon, J.G. ZL, Pyo
17	36	Rather than using commands, if the UEP capabilities are exchanged as part of the normal capabilities exchange, then the commands are not needed.	E.Kwon, J.G. ZL, Pyo
18	38	Can we use the existing facilities in 802.15.3b to accomplish this in a manner that improves the performance.	J.G

2 Editorial MAC comments in Taipei

Index	Issue #	Description	Owner
1	25	Move the new text in this subclause to the informative annex	J.G
2	32	Table 58a does not need any changes	J.G

Comment #2

- Comment
 - Do we need a capability bit that indicates a DEV is MMC PNC capable?

- Resolution:
 - No. Because SC (1bit), AV-OFDM (1bit) and HSI-OFDM (1bit) fields in the capability IE can be used as an indication of MMC capability
 - MMC PNC could be defined as either of the following three types
 - Support SC + AV-OFDM
 - Support SC + HSI-OFDM
 - Support AV-OFDM + HSI-OFDM
 - Support SC + AV-OFDM + HSI-OFDM

In any case, MMC capability can be indicated by using SC, AV-OFDM and HSI-OFDM capability fields in the capability IE

Comment #5

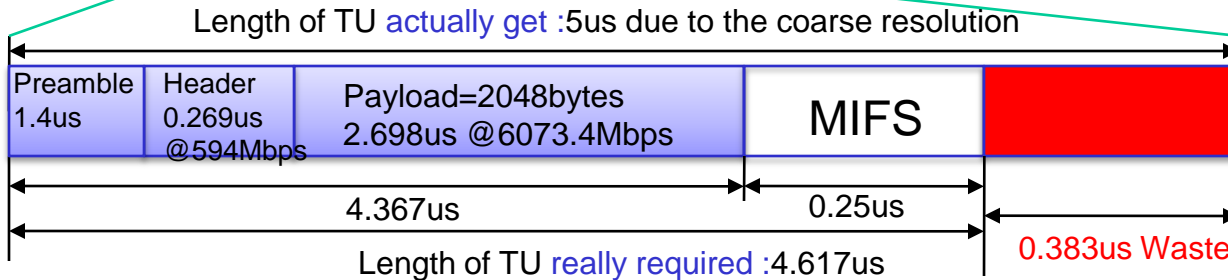
- Comment
 - Do we need reserved stream indices for beamforming and channel probing.
- Resolution
 - The resolution will be discussed at Orlando meeting

Comment #6 (1/7)

- Comment
 - Does the resolution of the superframe timing need to be less than $1\ \mu\text{s}$?”
- Resolution
 - Yes. 1 us superframe resolution should be changed to 10 ns for the sake of up to 14 % throughput improvement with 2 Kbytes data transmission at 6Gbps PHY-SAP
 - The corresponding overhead in beacon is less than 1% against superframe length, which is ignorable

Throughput improvement from fine resolution (2/7)

- Assuming 2Kbytes data frame transmission at 6Gbps, 7% of time for per frame transmission is wasted due to coarse resolution (1us)
- 14.2% throughput improvement can be achieved if resolution is changed to 1ns



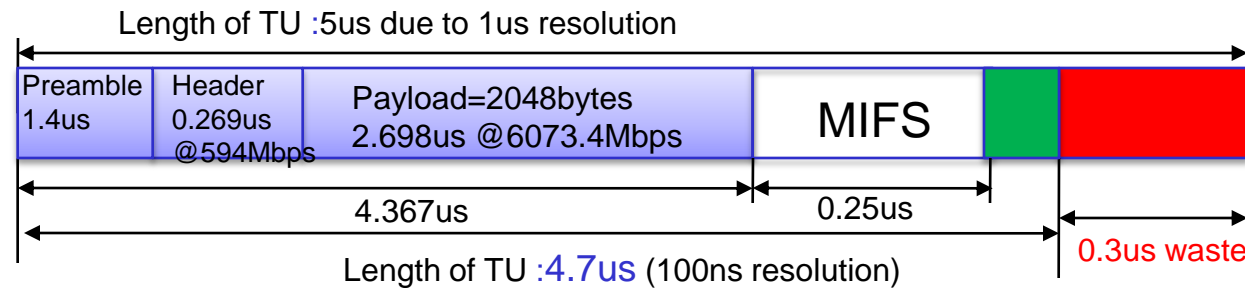
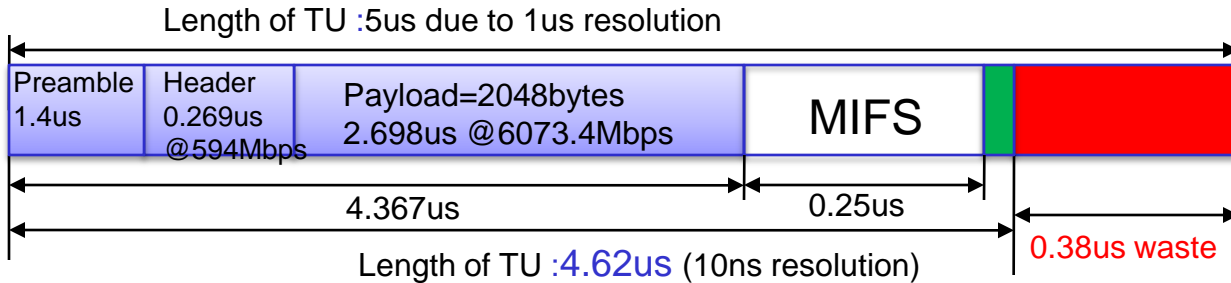
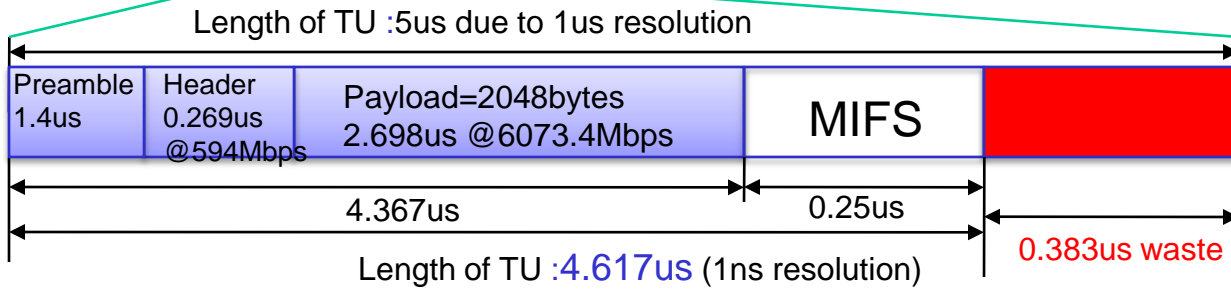
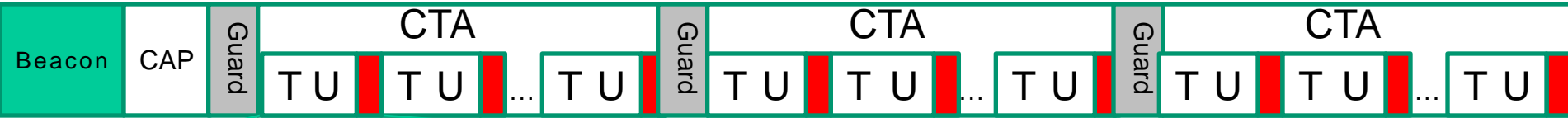
$$R1 = 0.383 / 5 = 7.66\%$$

$$R2 = 0.383 / 2.698 = 14.2\%$$

- Percentage of time wasted per frame
 - $R1 = \text{Waste} / (T_{\text{Preamble}} + T_{\text{Header}} + T_{\text{Payload}} + \text{MIFS} + \text{Waste})$
- Throughput with coarse resolution
 - $S1 = \text{Payload} / (T_{\text{Preamble}} + T_{\text{Header}} + T_{\text{Payload}} + \text{MIFS} + \text{Waste})$
- Throughput with fine resolution
 - $S2 = (\text{Payload} + \text{Waste} * \text{dataRate}) / (T_{\text{Preamble}} + T_{\text{Header}} + T_{\text{Payload}} + \text{MIFS} + \text{Waste})$
- Percentage of throughput improvement
 - $R2 = (S2 - S1) / S1 = (\text{Waste} * \text{dataRate}) / \text{Payload} = \text{Waste} / T_{\text{payload}}$

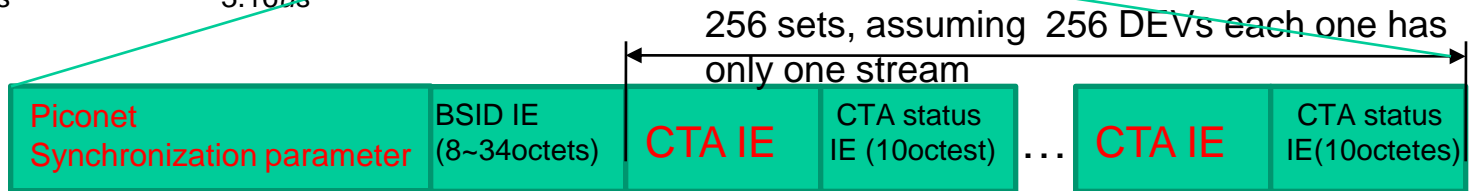
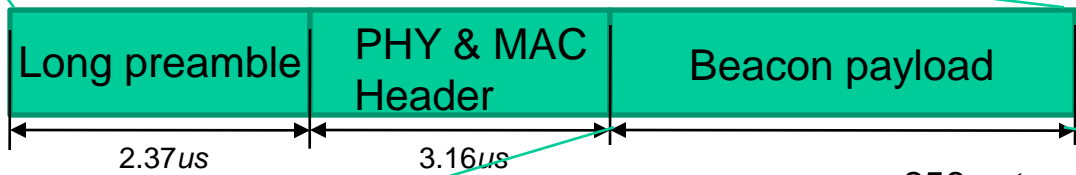


Effect of different resolution value (3/7)



Overhead in beacon to support fine resolution (4/7)

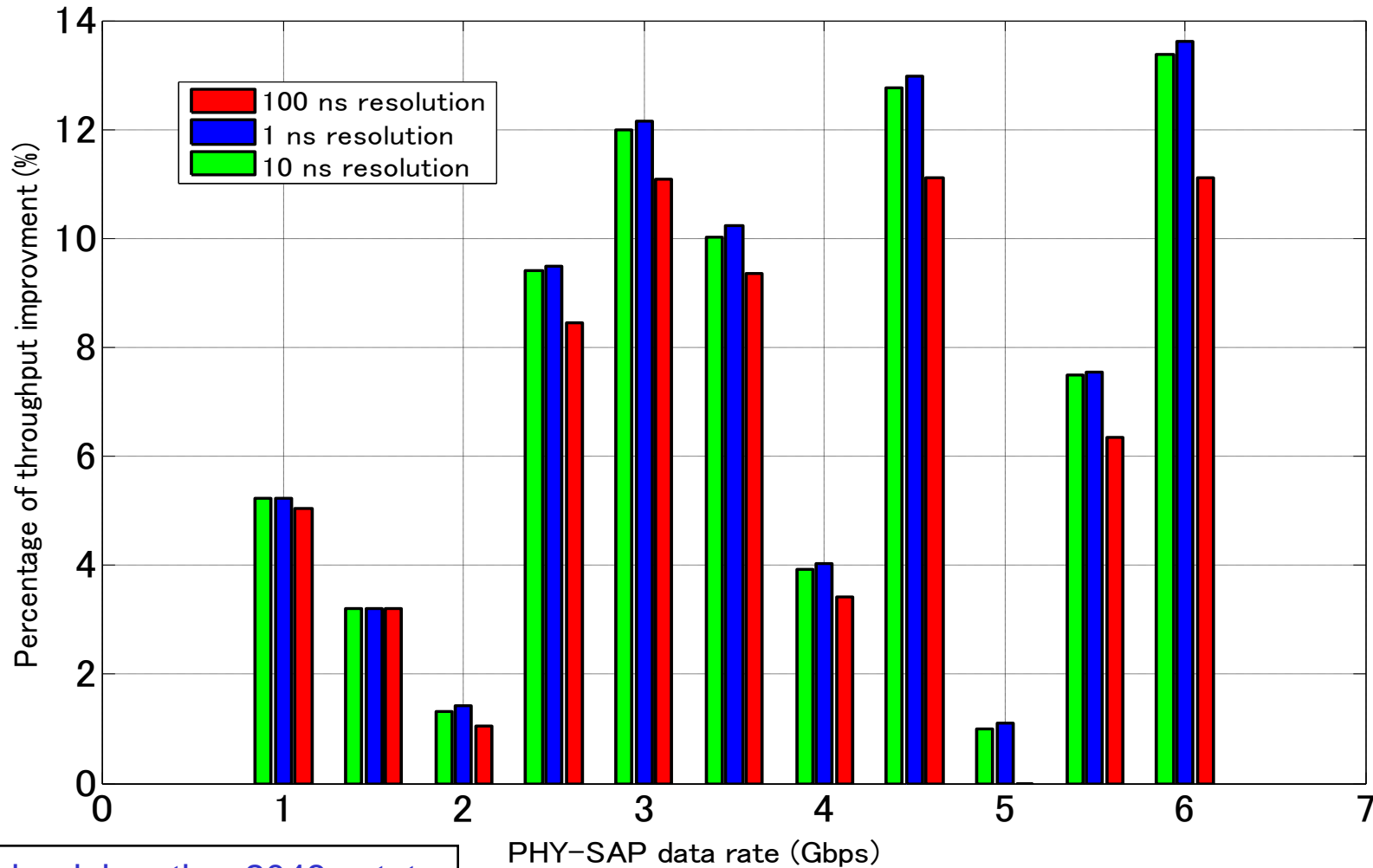
- Overhead for increased resolution is negligible
 - Only need to extend 10.9 % beacon length, even though to support up to 256 DEVs
 - Less than 1% superframe time is paid



↑ Increase from 21 octets to 23 octets ↑ Increase from 7 octets to 9 octets for each CTA block

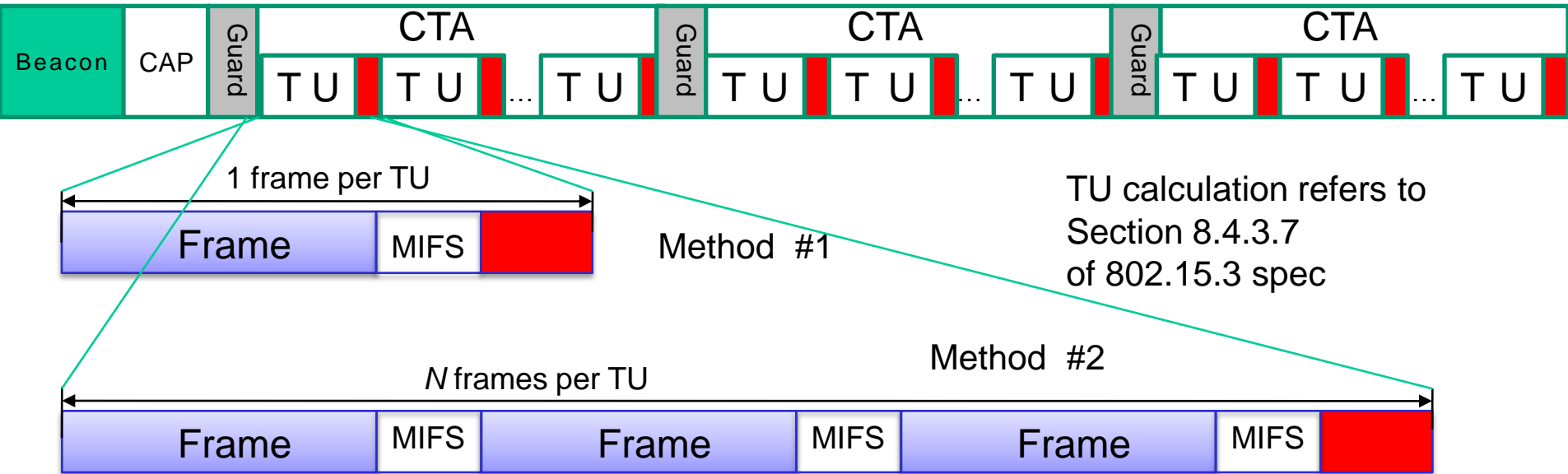
Up to $2 + 256 * 2 = 514$ octets are required

Throughput improvement vs. PHY-SAP rate (5/7)

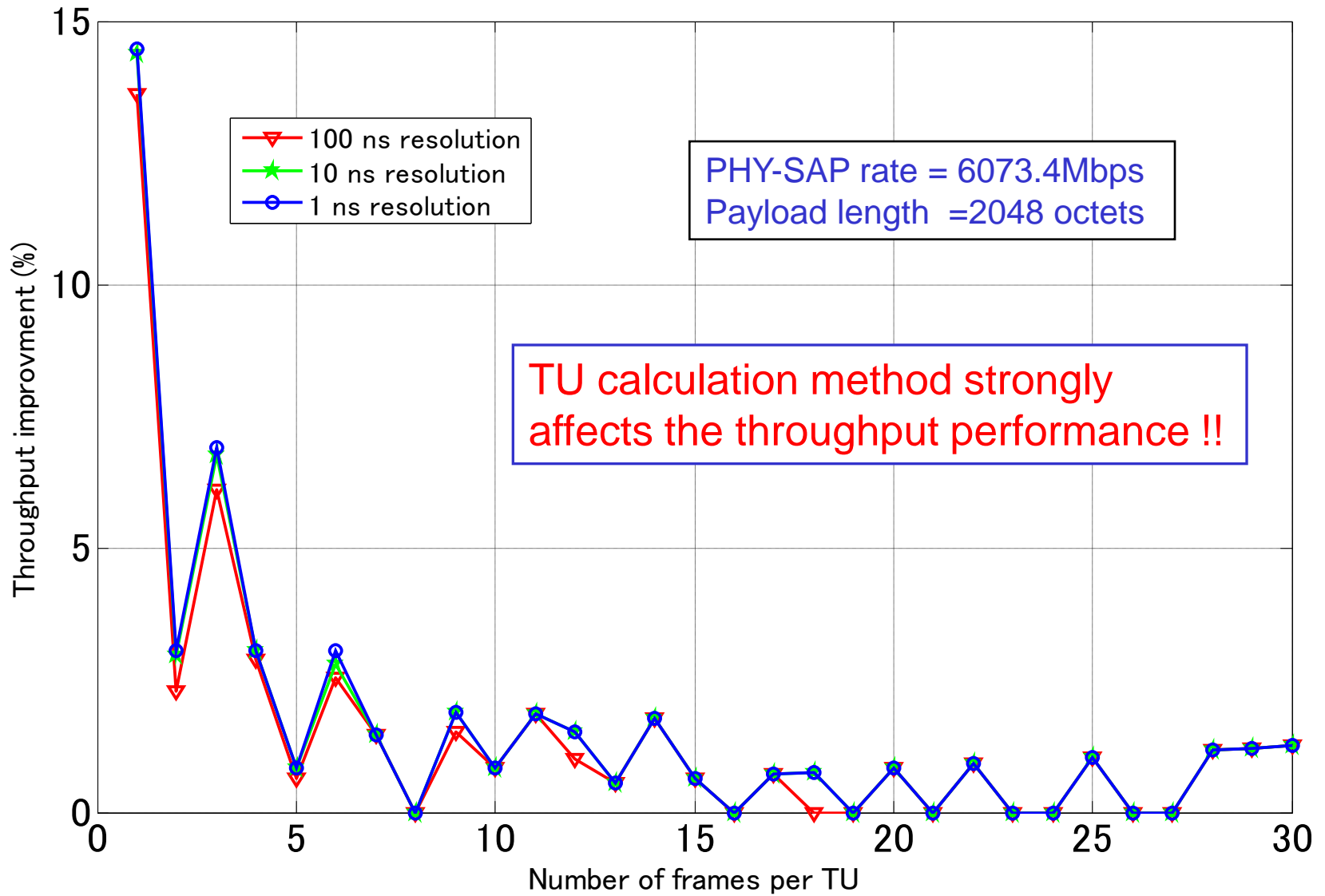


Payload length = 2048 octets
 Number of frames per TU = 1

Two TU calculation methods defined in 802.15.3 (6/7)



Throughput improvement vs. frame number per TU (7/7)



Comment #7

- Comment #7
 - (1) Will Dly-ACK do what is necessary for Blk-ACK or
 - (2) are there unique things that Blk-ACK needs to do.
 - (3) Also, can this concept be extended to include the AV PHY directional ACK.

- Resolution
 - (1) Yes, Dly-ACK can do what is necessary for Blk-ACK
 - The information feedback from the receiver side by Blk-ACK and Dly-ACK are same
 - (2) No, there are no unique things of Blk-ACK against Dly-ACK.
 - (3) Yes. By using the payload of Dly-ACK or Blk-ACK to indicate groups in error, the functionality of AV-PHY directional ACK can be realized.

 - Blk-ACK is suggested to be eliminated from baseline document

Comment #8 (1/3)

- Comment

- Do we add SIFS and MIFS capabilities here or in another information element.

- Resolution

- Yes, SIFS and MIFS capabilities need to be included in capability IE, because multiple values of IFSs are planned to be used
- It is better to select suitable value of IFSs according to the DEV specifications if multiple values of IFSs are available, because shorter value of IFSs can trigger quick retransmission by defining shorter RIFS, thereby improve frame efficiency and delay performance
- This resolution proposes 4bits in capability IE to indicate IFS capabilities
- Each value representing how many seconds shall be determined later

An example of IFSs (2/3)

- Common IFS table is proposed that provide 100ns to 6 μ s length of SIFS, including default values of both SC and AV-OFDM
 - 6 μ s to 100ns lengths for SIFS are assumed in SC side including default value of 2.5 μ s
 - 2 μ s SIFS as well as MIFS assumed in AC-OFDM as a default

IFS ID (4bits)	SIFS	MIFS
0000	100ns	25ns
0001	200ns	50ns
0010	500ns	100ns
0011	1.00 μ s	0.25 μ s
0100	2.00 μ s	2.00 μ s
0101	2.50 μ s	0.50 μ s
0110	6.00 μ s	3.00 μ s
0111	Reserved	Reserved
...		
1111	Reserved	Reserved

Default value for AV-OFDM

Default value for SC

DEV capabilities field in capability IE (3/3)

- 4bits field shall be adequate to indicate IFS capabilities in DEV capabilities field

bit: 7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
Supported data rates (totally 14bits)							
Octet #1							
bit: 15	b14	b13	b12	b11	b10	b9	b8
Preferred fragment size	Supported data rates (totally 14bits)						
Octet #2							
bit: 23	b22	b21	b20	b19	b18	b17	b16
STP	CTA relinquish	Imp-ACK	Dly-ACK	Listen to multicast	Listen to source	Always AWAKE	Preferred fragment size
Octet #3							
bit: 31	b30	b29	b28	b27	b26	b25	b24
Supported IFS (totally 4bits)				OOK capable	HSI-OFDM capable	AV-OFDM capable	SC capable
Octet #4							
bit: 39	b38	b37	b36	b35	b34	b33	b32
Reserved						UEP capable	
Octet #5							

Comment #9 (1/4)

- Comment
 - How do we encode all of the supported data rates.

- Resolution
 - By using 14=7+1+6 bit field in DEV capabilities field all of the supported data rates for three PHY mode are encoded as in the current discussion below
 - 7 bits for capabilities in SC case
 - 1 bits for AV-OFDM case
 - 6 bits for HSI-OFDM case

Data rate encoding (2/4)

SC case

- By using $7 = 3(\text{for Modulation scheme}) + 3(\text{for coding scheme}) + 1(\text{for spreading factor})$ bits, MCS in SC case can be encoded.
- By using 3 bits in DEV capabilities field that reveal possible 7 cases data rate in SC case shall be indicated
 - BPSK: BPSK (1 case)
 - QPSK: BPSK + QPSK (1 case)
 - 8QAM: BPSK+QPSK+8QAM (1 case)
 - 16QAM: BPSK+QPSK+[8QAM or not] +16QAM(2cases)
 - OOK/DRB: [OOK or DRB] + BPSK (2cases)
- 3 bits to reveal capabilities of 5 FEC types, 2 bit indicate to which coding rate of LDPC (576, K) is possible, and 1bit to indicate capability of LDPC(1440, 1344)
 - RS(255, 239): mandatory
 - LDPC(576, 288)
 - LDPC(576, 432)
 - LDPC(576, 504)
 - LDPC(1440, 1344)
- 1 bit to reveal capabilities of spreading factors for OOK
 - 1 and 2

MCS Class	MCS ID	PHY-SAP rate (Mbs)	Modulation Scheme	Spreading factor	FEC Type	FEC Rate
Class 1	LR1	50.6(CR)/379.6/759.2/1518.4(MLR)	p/2-BPSK/(G)MSK	32/4/2/1	RS(255,239)	0.937
	LR2	607.5/1215.0	p/2-BPSK/(G)MSK	2/1	LDPC(576,432)	0.750
	LR3	810.0	p/2-BPSK/(G)MSK	1	LDPC(576,288)	0.500
Class 2	MR1	1620.0	p/2-QPSK	1	LDPC(576,288)	0.500
	MR2	2430.0	p/2-QPSK	1	LDPC(576,432)	0.750
	MR3	2835.0	p/2-QPSK	1	LDPC(576,504)	0.875
	MR4	3024.0	p/2-QPSK	1	LDPC(1440,1344)	0.933
	MR5	3036.7	p/2-QPSK	1	RS(255,239)	0.937
Class 3	HR1	4555.1	p/2-Star 8QAM	1	RS(255,239)	0.937
	HR2	6073.4	p/2-16QAM	1	RS(255,239)	0.937
Class 4	OOK1	1518.4/759.2	OOK	1/2	RS(255,239)	0.937
	DRB1	3036.7	Dual Rail Bipolar	1	RS(255,239)	0.937

Data rate encoding (3/4)

AV-OFDM case

- By using 1 bit field, each capability of AV-OFDM data rates can be indicated
 - If all DEVs are assumed to support all modulation scheme of BPSK, QPSK, 16QAM, no bits are required to indicate the modulation capabilities
 - If all DEVs are assumed to support all coding rates (1/2, 1/3, 2/3), no bits are required to indicate the coding scheme capabilities
 - By using 1 bit, UEP capability can be indicated
 - UEP capable
 - UEP not capable

Table 95—HRP data rates and coding

HRP mode index	Coding mode	Modulation	Code rate				Raw data rate (Gb/s)
			MSB		LSB		
			[7]	[6]	[5]	[4]	
0	EEP	QPSK	1/3				0.952
1		QPSK	2/3				1.904
2		16-QAM	2/3				3.807
3	UEP	QPSK	4/7		4/5		1.904
4		16-QAM	4/7		4/5		3.807
5	MSB-only retransmission	QPSK	1/3		N/A		0.952
6		QPSK	2/3		N/A		1.904

Table 96—LRP data rates and coding

LRP mode index	Modulation	FEC	Raw data rate (Mb/s)	Repetition
0	BPSK	1/3	2.5	8×
1		1/2	3.8	8×
2		2/3	5.1	8×
3		2/3	10.2	4×

Data rate encoding (4/4)

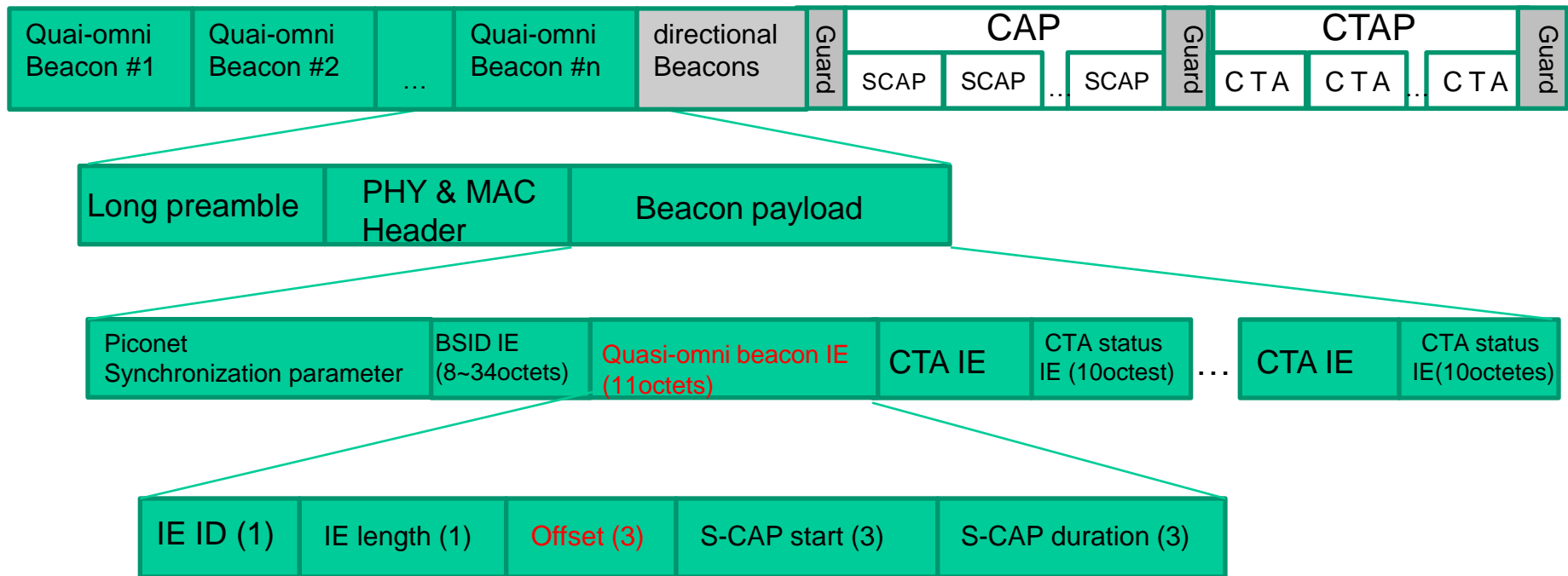
HSI-OFDM case

- 6 bits can adequately indicate capability of HSI-OFDM data rates
 - 1 bit is needed to indicate whether optional 16QAM is possible or not
 - QPSK, 16QAM: both mandatory
 - QPSK, 16QAM and 64QAM
 - 1 bit is needed to indicate whether capable of UEP or not
 - 1 bit is needed to indicate EEP without Reed Solomon is possible or not
 - 3 bits are adequate to indicate all possible capabilities of LDPC parameters and data rates

MCS	Data Rate (Mbps)	Modulation scheme	Coding mode	Outer FEC rate	Inner FEC rate (R_i)		Spreading factor	Spread & coded bits/sym.	Coded bits/sym.	Data info* bits/sym.	
					MSB 8b	LSB 8b				MSB 7:4	LSB 3:0
0	59	QPSK	EEP	0.94	1/2		24	672	28	14	
1	708	QPSK		0.94	1/2		2	672	336	168	
2	1416	QPSK		0.94	1/2		1	672	672	336	
3	2124	QPSK		0.94	3/4		1	672	672	504	
4	2478	QPSK		0.94	7/8		1	672	672	588	
5	2832	16-QAM		0.94	1/2		1	1344	1344	672	
6	4248	16-QAM		0.94	3/4		1	1344	1344	1008	
7	4956	16-QAM		0.94	7/8		1	1344	1344	1176	
8	6372	64-QAM		0.94	3/4		1	2016	2016	1512	
9	1512	QPSK	EEP	1	1/2		1	672	672	336	
10	2664	QPSK		1	7/8		1	672	672	588	
11	4536	16-QAM		1	3/4		1	1344	1344	1008	
12	1770	QPSK	UEP	0.94	1/2	3/4	1	672	672	336	504
13	2301	QPSK		0.94	3/4	7/8	1	672	672	504	588
14	3540	16QAM		0.94	1/2	3/4	1	1344	1344	672	1008
15	4602	16QAM		0.94	3/4	7/8	1	1344	1344	1008	1176

Comment # 11

- Comment
 - How do DEVs know when the superframe starts and when the last beacon ends if they receive one beacon in the middle of a set of beacons.
- Resolution
 - Quasi-omni beacon IE is defined to indicate the offset from the start of the superframe to the first symbol of the current received beacon



Comment # 12

- Comment
 - How does a DEV know when the first symbol of the beacon is sent when there is repetition coding.
- Resolution
 - If this Comment is addressed for SC, the answer is that, repetition coding (spreading?) only applies to beacon header and payload, but not preamble. As long as preamble is detected, the first symbol of the beacon is determined

Comment #16 and #38

- Comment #16
 - What is the definition of the value of the channel status information field?
- Resolution
 - The definition of the channel status information value is **SNR, RSSI, FER (BER) and so on** to determine the highest available data rate in the current channel
- Comment #38
 - Can we use the existing facilities in 802.15.3b to accomplish this in a manner that improves the performance
- Resolution
 - No. 15.3b frame format (channel status request) needs to be modified to include SNR, RSSI, FER and so on
 - The modified frame format will be discussed at Orlando meeting

Comment #17 and #36

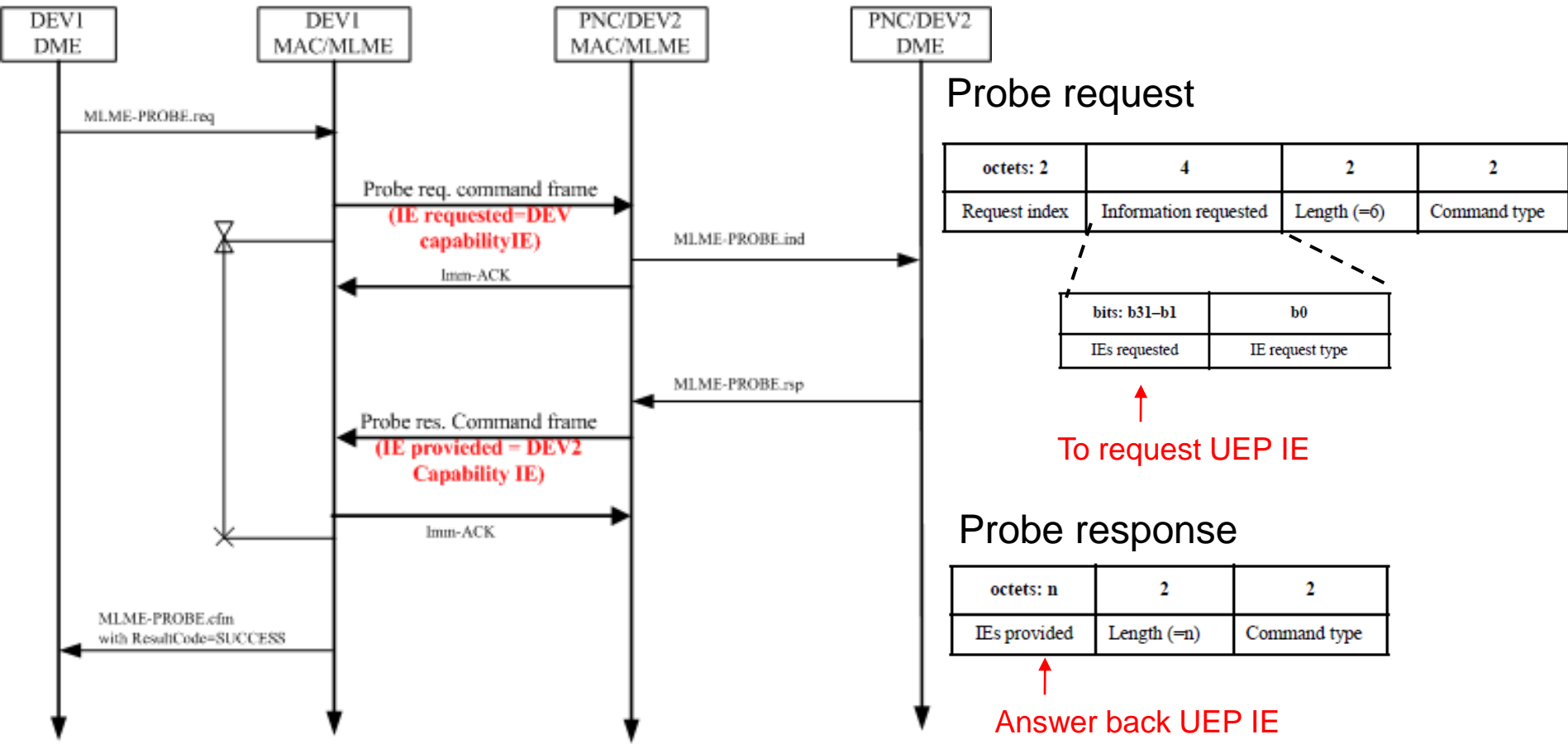
- **Comment #17**
 - Can this be done with an information element? Also, there are some updates to the frame format that need to be reviewed.

- **Resolution**
 - Yes, rather than creating new command frame, UEP (TBD) IE can be exchanged for the same purpose. This issue is related with Comment #36

- **Comment #36**
 - Rather than using commands, if the UEP capabilities are exchanged as part of the normal capabilities exchange, then the commands are not needed.

- **Resolution**
 - That is right. 802.15.3 already has the peer discovery function (use probe command) which can be used to exchange UEP information. What needed is just to exchange UEP (TBD) IE between DEVs which have intention of UEP streaming

Use 802.15.3 probe command for UEP information exchange



Comment #18

- Comment
 - Why is handover optional? Should it be restricted to certain cases.
- Resolution
 - For Peer to Peer communication (e.g., cellular to cellular communication), PNC handover may not be necessary. In addition, Kiosk acting as PNC should not allow handover to any DEV in the piconet by reasons of security or accounting although the DEV is PNC capable and DES-mode. Thus, handover should be restricted to certain cases, which means that handover is optional.

Comment #19

- Comment
 1. Need rules to describe that the beacon PHY mode shall not change while in operation.
 2. Also, that on handover, the new PNC uses the same PHY mode for the beacon as the old PNC. If so, we may be able to leave PNC Des-Mode as the top criteria for handover.

- Resolution
 1. Add description “Beacon PHY mode shall not change while in operation” in baseline document
 2. Input the description “PNC handover is only allowed between the same PHY mode” in baseline document

Comment #26

- **Comment**

- Can all three PHY modes use the same SIFS and list this in the capabilities field to be used in an CTA.

- **Resolution**

- Yes. It is preferable that capability as for same SIFS set is commonly indicated among three PHY modes

Comment #29

- Comment
 - Can we unify the aggregation?
- Resolution
 - Yes. Modifications on SC aggregation can realize unification with AV-OFDM aggregation as show below
 - Modified SC : subframe size up to 1Moctets from 512octets, subframe number up to 8
 - AV-OFDM: subframe size up to 1Moctets, subframe number up to 7

Comment #31

- **Comment**
 - The rules for Blk-ACK need to be filled out.
- **Resolution**
 - No need to rule for Blk-ACK since Blk-ACK is suggested to be eliminated from baseline document (see Comment #7)

Comment # 35

- Comment
 - There needs to be a way for the upper layer that is the source of data to say if the use of UEP is allowed for the data stream.
- Resolution
 - This is out of the scope of 802.15.3 standard. For implementation, MAC-SAP can be extended for this. In MAC-ISOCH-DATA.request primitive, a parameter to tell lower layer that upper layer requires to use UEP needs to be defined. The other direction, in the MAC-ISOCH-DATA.confirm primitive, the Result Code needs be extended to report back the UEP capability of lower layer.

MAC-SAP extension for UEP

- MAC-ISOCH-DATA.request

(
 RequestID,
 StreamIndex,
 TransmitTimeout,
 MaxRetries,
 SNAPHeaderPresent,
 ACKRequested,
 ConfirmRequested,
UEPRequested,
 Length,
 Data
)

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
UEPRequested	Boolean	TRUE FALSE	Indicates if the request requires using UEP

- MAC-ISOCH-DATA.confirm

(
 RequestID,
 StreamIndex,
 TransmitDelay,
 ResultCode,
ReasonCode
)

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
ReasonCode	Enumeration	TRANSMIT_TIMEOUT, MAX_RETRIES, NOT_ASSOCIATED, UEP_NOT_SUPPORT , OTHER	The reason for the request failure

Comment #25 (Editorial)

- **Comment**
 - Move the text in this subclause (8.2.5a) to the informative annex

- **Resolution**
 - We agree to move the newly added text in 8.2.5a(Child piconet) to the informative annex

Comment #32 (Editorial)

- Comment
 - Table 58 does not need to any changes
- Resolution
 - Although Table 58 does not change from 802.15.3b, the description “PNC handover is only allowed between the same PHY mode” shall be input in the baseline document