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# [This is draft text for subclause of Architecture for TG8]

# Overview

# Definitions

# Acronyms and abbreviations

# General descriptions

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## Architecture

The IEEE 802.15.8 architecture is defined in terms of a number of blocks in order to simplify the standard. These blocks are called layers. Each layer is responsible for one part of the standard and offers services to the higher layers.

The interfaces between the layers serve to define the logical links that are described in this standard.

A PAC device comprises at least one PHY, which contains the radio frequency (RF) transceiver along with its low-level control mechanism, and a MAC sublayer that provides access to the physical channel for all types of transfer. Figure 3 shows these blocks in a graphical representation, which are described in more detail in 4.4.1 and 4.4.2.



Figure 3—PAC device architecture

The upper layers, shown in Figure 3, consist of a network layer, which provides network configuration, manipulation, and message routing if applicable (??), and an application layer, which provides the intended function of the device. The definition of these upper layers is outside the scope of this standard.

* + 1. Physical layer (PHY)

The PHY provides two services: the PHY data service and the PHY management service. The PHY data service enables the transmission and reception of PHY protocol data units (PPDUs) across the physical radio channel. The general PHY requirements are described in Clause 8.

The features of the PHY are activation and deactivation of the radio transceiver, ED, LQI, channel selection, clear channel assessment (CCA), and transmitting as well as receiving packets across the physical medium. The UWB PHY also has the feature of precision ranging.

A discussion of the coexistence of the various IEEE 802.15.8 PHYs with other wireless systems is given in “Coexistence analysis of IEEE Std 802.15.4 with other IEEE standards and proposed standards” [B4].4

* + 1. MAC sublayer

The MAC sublayer provides two services: the MAC data service and the MAC management service interfacing to the MAC sublayer management entity (MLME) service access point (SAP) (known as MLME-SAP). The MAC data service enables the transmission and reception of MAC protocol data units (MPDUs) across the PHY data service.

The features of the MAC sublayer are ~~beacon management~~, channel access, GTS management, frame validation, acknowledged frame delivery, discovery, peering ~~association~~, and depeering ~~disassociation~~. In addition, the MAC sublayer provides hooks for implementing application-appropriate security mechanisms.

Clause 5 and Clause 6 contains the specifications for the MAC sublayer.

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# MAC Layer

## MPDU Format

## Synchronization Procedure

## Discovery

## Peering

## Communication Period