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Re: [SUN OFDM PHY PHR]

Abstract: [Problem with SUN OFDM PHY PHR and Resolution]

Purpose: [To explain an issue]

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Issue identified in SUN OFDM

- The current description for SUN OFDM PHY PHR states,

The PHR occupies symbols for each OFDM options as described in Table 20-9, for phyOfdmInterleaving PIB attribute. The PHR shall be transmitted using the lowest supported MCS level, as described in Table 20-10, for the option being used, except for OFDM option 3 and OFDM Option 4, the PHR shall be transmitted using MCS1 and MCS2 respectively. It is sent to the convolutional encoder starting from the leftmost bit in Figure 20-5 to the rightmost bit.

- The above description mandates using MCS1 and MCS2 for option 3 and 4, respectively based on the selected MCS for each OFDM options
- The intent is to use MCS1 and MCS2 for option 3 and 4 only when higher than MCS1 and MCS2 is being used respectively within the defined OFDM option
- However the statement can intend to be mandating the use of MCS1 and MCS2 for OFDM options 3 and 4 respectively, even for MCS levels lower than 1 and 2

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Table 20-9—PHYR Symbols for SUN OFDM PHY options

| OFDM Option | MCS Level | phyOfdmInterleaving | PHR Symbols |
|-------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|
| 1 | 0-6 | 0 | 3 |
| 2 | 0-6 | 0 | 6 |
| 3 | 1-6 | 0 | 6 |
| | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| 4 | 2-6 | 0 | 6 |
| | 0-1 | 0 | 24 |
| 1 | 0-6 | 1 | 4 |
| 2 | 0-6 | 1 | 8 |
| 3 | 1-6 | 1 | 6 |
| | 0 | 1 | 12 |
| 4 | 2-6 | 1 | 6 |
| | 0-1 | 1 | 24 |

- Change is required to update the technical content of the PHR.

Proposed Change

- Updating a language to simplify the statement to include the PHR symbols use of MCS1 and MCS2 for OFDM options 3 and 4 respectively, only when the packet is transmitted using MCS1 and MCS2 or higher for options 3 and 4 respectively

Old Text:

The PHR occupies symbols for each OFDM options as described in Table 20-9, for phyOfdmInterleaving PIB attribute. The PHR shall be transmitted using the lowest supported MCS level, as described in Table 20-10, for the option being used, except for OFDM option 3 and OFDM Option 4, the PHR shall be transmitted using MCS1 and MCS2 respectively. It is sent to the convolutional encoder starting from the leftmost bit in Figure 20-5 to the rightmost bit.

New Text:

The PHR occupies symbols for each OFDM options as described in Table 20-9, for phyOfdmInterleaving PIB attribute. The PHR shall be transmitted using the lowest supported MCS level, as described in Table 20-10, for the option being used, except for OFDM option 3 and OFDM Option 4, the PHR shall be transmitted using MCS1 and MCS2 respectively, when the packets are transmitted with MCS1 or higher for OFDM option 3 and MCS 2 or higher for OFDM Option 4 is used. It is sent to the convolutional encoder starting from the leftmost bit in Figure 20-5 to the rightmost bit.

- This will clarify the technical error in the Standard and also would make the backward compatible with 802.15.4-2015 base standard

Proposal

- Do corrigendum draft on the updated technical change as part of the Standard